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Random Processes In The Parametric Control Of A Mobile Robot Based On Pattern Recognition Algorithms

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ABSTRACT

Mobile robots operating in unstructured real-world environments face inherent uncertainties from dynamic obstacles, variable terrains, and unpredictable events, which pose significant challenges to their control systems. This study focuses on the integration of random process theory and pattern recognition algorithms to optimize the parametric control of mobile robots. First, it systematically analyzes the probabilistic characteristics of discrete and continuous random variables, and explores typical discrete distribution laws (Bernoulli distribution, Binomial distribution, Poisson distribution) that underpin the modeling of stochastic phenomena in robotic systems. Second, it constructs a mathematical model for parametric control integrating pattern recognition, encompassing core components such as sensor data processing, state estimation (e.g., Kalman filtering), pattern recognition algorithms, and parameter control strategies. Finally, a case study of an indoor visual navigation system is presented, where an improved path-based algorithm achieves real-time image processing (≤40ms per frame) to meet the requirements of autonomous navigation. The research verifies that the synergy between random process theory and pattern recognition can enhance the adaptability and intelligence of mobile robots in uncertain environments, providing a theoretical and practical basis for the development of autonomous robotic systems.

INTRODUCTION

The field of robotics has experienced a profound revolution, marked by the increasing integration of sophisticated pattern recognition algorithms into the control and decision-making processes of mobile robots. In this era of automation, autonomous robots are venturing into dynamic and intricate environments, encompassing terrains both known and uncharted, industrial facilities, hospitals, and even urban settings. The efficacy of these mobile robots lies not only in their physical capabilities but equally in their capacity to perceive, understand, and adapt to the world around them.

The paramount challenge of robot control in real-world scenarios is an inherent uncertainty. In these unstructured environments, where dynamic obstacles, varying terrain, and unpredictable events are the norm, a robust control system is essential. Pattern recognition algorithms, often rooted in machine learning and computer vision, are at the forefront of addressing these challenges. They enable robots to sense, interpret, and respond to their surroundings with a level of intelligence that was once confined to the realm of science fiction.

1.Probabilistic Characteristics Of Discrete And Continuous Random Variables

1.1.Random Variables

The field of robotics, particularly concerning the control of mobile robots, has undergone a significant transformation due to the widespread integration of pattern recognition algorithms. These algorithms serve as a foundational element in numerous robotic functionalities, encompassing navigation, perception, decision- making, and interactions within complex physical

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and social environments. However, the performance and adaptability of these algorithms are intricately tied to the stochastic and unpredictable nature of the real-world scenarios. To effectively tackle these challenges, a profound comprehension of the probabilistic traits of random variables, which form the core elements of these robotic systems, is essential[1,2].

$$\mu_X = x_1 p_1 + x_2 p_2 + \cdots + x_k p_k$$
$$= \sum x_i p_i$$

The mean of a discrete random variable is its weighted average, calculated by multiplying each value by its probability and summing the products, known as the expected value of X.

To illustrate random variables, consider the random experiment of rolling a dice where the possible outcomes range from 1 to 6. If X represents the outcome of this experiment, the sample space comprises outcomes {1, 2, 3, ..., 6}.

Mathematically, X = 1, 2, 3...6, corresponding to the outcomes of the dice roll. [3] In simplifying and generalizing this concept mathematically, a single dice roll is represented as a box in a figure. Extending this to n trials shows separate boxes, signifying outcomes from n such random events.

1.2.Discrete Random Variables

A cornerstone of probabilistic modeling in the realm of mobile robotics is the concept of a random variable.A discrete random variable X has a countable number ofpossible values. [4] Example: Let X represent the sum of two dice.

Then the probability distribution of X is as follows:

X	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
P(X)	1/36	2/36	3/36	4/36	5/36	6/36	7/36	8/36	9/36	10/36	11/36

Table .1. Probability distribution of X

To graph the probability distribution of a discrete random variable, construct a probability histogram:

$$\sigma_X^2 = (x_1 - \mu_X)^2 p_1 + (x_2 - \mu_X)^2 p_2 + \cdots + (x_k - \mu_X)^2 p_k$$
$$= \sum (x_i - \mu_X)^2 p_i$$

2.Typical Laws of Distribution for Discrete Random Variables

Within the framework of this coursework, we delve into an array of distribution laws for discrete random variables, including but not limited to:

1. Bernoulli Distribution: Employed to model binary outcomes, such as the success or failure of a single trial[5].
2. Binomial Distribution: Utilized to describe the probability of a specific number of successful outcomes within a fixed number of independent trials[6].
3. Poisson Distribution: Integral in representing the probability of a certain number of events occurring within a specified time interval[7].

2.1.The Bernoulli distribution

The Bernoulli distribution is one of the easiest distributions to understand because of its simplicity. It is often used as a starting point to derive more complex distributions.

A Bernoulli distribution is a discrete distribution with only two possible values for the random variable. The distribution has only two possible outcomes and a single trial which is called a Bernoulli trial. The two possible outcomes in Bernoulli distribution are labeled by n=0 and n=1 in which n=1 (success) occurs with

probability p and n=0 (failure) occurs with probability 1-p, and since it is a probability value so 0<=p<=1.

The probability mass function (PMF) of a Bernoulli distribution is defined as Figure1.If an experiment has only two possible outcomes “success” and “failure,” and if p is the probability of success, then …

Another common way to write this is:

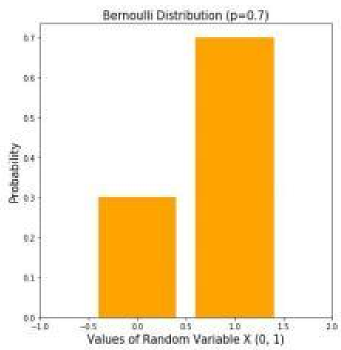

Fig.1. Graph ofBernoulli distribution

Properties of a Bernoulli distribution: [8]

(1) There are only two possible outcomes a 1 or 0, i.e., success or failure in each trial.

(2) The probability values of mutually exclusive events that encompass all the possible outcomes need to sum up to one.

(3) If the probability of success is p then the probability of failure is given as 1-p.

The probability values must remain the same across each successive trial. Each event must be completely separate and have nothing to do with the previous event. i.e., the probabilities are not affected by the outcomes of other trials which means the trials are independent.The expected value for a random variable, X, from a Bernoulli distribution can be given as:

E[X] = 1*(p) +0*(1-p) = p, for example ifp=0.6, then E[X] =0.6 The mean of Bernoulli random variable(X) is

E[X] = 1(p) +0(1-p) = p

The variance of Bernoulli random variable is V[X] = E[X^2]-$[E(X)]^2$ = 1^2 p+0^2 (1-p)-p^2 =p(1-p)

2.2.The Binomial distribution

Poisson distribution is the discrete probability distribution which represents the probability of occurrence of an event r number of times in a given interval of time or space if these events occur with a known constant mean rate and are independent of each other. This type of probability is used in many cases where events occur randomly, but with a known average rate. The number of events that happen during an interval is dependent on the time elapsed rather than the total time available. The Poisson distribution can be applied to time-sensitive processes such as text messages sent per minute and phone calls received per second. Poisson distribution can help us determine how often we may expect an "event" such as finding customers in line or the number of accidents that occur per hour.[13]

The following are the key criteria that the random variable follows the Poisson distribution:[14]

1) Individual events occur at random and independently in a given interval. This can be an interval of time or space.

2) The mean number of occurrences of events in an interval (time or space) is finite and known.

3) The mean number of occurrences is represented using $[latex]\lambda[/latex]$

The random variable X represents the number of times that the event occurs in the given interval of time or space. If a random variable X follows Poisson distribution, it is represented as the following:[15] X ~ Po ($[latex]\lambda[/latex]$)

In the above expression, [latex]\lambda[/latex] represents the mean number of occurrences in a given interval. Mathematically, the Poisson probability distribution can be represented using the following probability mass function:

$$[latex] \setminus Large P(X=r) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} * \lambda^r}{r!} [/latex]$$

In the above formula, the [latex]\lambda[/latex] represents the mean number of occurrences, r represents different values of random variable X.

3.Mathematical model of the parametric control of a mobile robot based on pattern recognition algorithms

3.1.Parametric Control and Pattern Recognition Integration

The integration of parameter control and pattern recognition represents a key advance in the field of robotics, providing robots with enhanced adaptability and intelligence in complex and uncertain environments. Parametric control forms a fundamental aspect of robot control systems, allowing fine-tuning and adjustment of various parameters that control robot behavior. Pattern recognition enables robots to interpret complex data to make intelligent decisions based on observed patterns. Algorithms designed for pattern recognition analyze sensor data, images or environmental inputs to identify recurring patterns or anomalies. By utilizing parametric control to adjust behavior and pattern recognition to interpret environmental cues, robots gain the ability to dynamically respond to real-world scenarios based on context.

3.2.Considerations for mathematical models and what must be included

In order to build a parameter control mathematical model based on pattern recognition algorithms, we need to consider several basic components:

(1) Sensor data processing: One of the initial steps is to process sensor data, which usually includes data from cameras, lidar, ultrasonic sensors, etc. information.

(2) State estimation: Accurate state estimation is crucial for effective control. Mobile robots must know their position, orientation, and speed relative to the environment. This is achieved through sensor fusion techniques such as Kalman filtering, which combines data from multiple sensors to produce a reliable estimate of the robot's state. (3) Pattern recognition algorithm： Pattern recognition algorithms play a central role in understanding and interpreting the environment. These algorithms are trained to detect objects, identify obstacles, and recognize landmarks, allowing the robot to make informed decisions based on the patterns it recognizes. (4) Parameter control strategy: Parameter control strategy contains high-level decision-making process, which depends on parameters extracted from sensor data and pattern recognition. The policy specifies how the robot should navigate, make decisions, and achieve mission goals. Key components may include path planning, trajectory generation, and obstacle avoidance.

3.3.Display and discussion of cases and actual use of data models

To illustrate the application of mathematical models, we design a visual navigation system for autonomous navigation in indoor environments. [28, 29] The system consists of three main modules: image preprocessing, path recognition and path tracking. Its workflow is shown in Figure 9. The original input image of the robot vision system is a continuous digital image obtained after A/D (analog/digital) conversion by the image acquisition card. When the system works, first, the image preprocessing module selects various target points useful to the robot (including guide lines in the path, turn signs, destination signs, etc.) with appropriate resolution and segmentation thresholds on the original
input image. It will eliminate the noise points, and the set of these points constitutes the target's support point set (support). The path recognition module detects guide lines and various signs in the scene based on the target support point set, and the guide lines and signs can be combined to obtain the required path information. Finally, based on the path information provided by the path identification module, the path tracking module calls different computing modules to
provide input parameters for the motion control system of the mobile platform in two situations: straight driving and turning.
In order to realize and make full use of image sequence information and abandon overly complex processing algorithms, an improved algorithm based on paths is proposed. Under the premise of accurately understanding the road image, the improved algorithm can process each frame of image within 40ms, which can meet the real-time requirements of the system (25 frames/s).

Conclusion

In summary, the synergy between stochastic processes and pattern recognition in mobile robot control not only provides a solid theoretical framework for solving uncertainty problems, but also infuses machines with "intelligence" in environmental perception and autonomous decision-making through its fusion model. Looking to the future, developments in this field will inevitably give rise to more adaptive, learning-capable, and intelligent robotic systems, whose applications will extend to every corner of industry, from manufacturing to social services, profoundly changing human production and lifestyles. However, technological leaps also bring ethical and social responsibility challenges. Guiding this transformation towards a direction that benefits humanity will be a crucial issue we must collectively address in the next stage.

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