

Here atan2 is the common extension of the arcus tangens of y/x extended to the \mathbb{R}^2 (most programming languages provide an implementation of this function):

$$(5.22) \quad \text{atan2}(y, x) = \begin{cases} \text{atan}(y/x) & \text{if } x > 0 \\ \text{sign}(y) (\pi - \text{atan}(|y/x|)) & \text{if } x < 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = y = 0 \\ \text{sign}(y) \pi/2 & \text{if } x = 0, y \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

Since we assume that the robot follows a circular trajectory, the translational distance between x_t and x_{t-1} along this circle is

$$(5.23) \quad \Delta \text{dist} = r^* \cdot \Delta \theta$$

From Δdist and $\Delta \theta$, it is now easy to compute the velocities \hat{v} and $\hat{\omega}$:

$$(5.24) \quad \hat{u}_t = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{v} \\ \hat{\omega} \end{pmatrix} = \Delta t^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \Delta \text{dist} \\ \Delta \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

The rotational velocity $\hat{\gamma}$ needed to achieve the final heading θ' of the robot in $(x' y')$ within Δt can be determined according to (5.14) as:

$$(5.25) \quad \hat{\gamma} = \Delta t^{-1}(\theta' - \theta) - \hat{\omega}$$

The *motion error* is the deviation of \hat{u}_t and $\hat{\gamma}$ from the commanded velocity $u_t = (v \ \omega)^T$ and $\gamma = 0$, as defined in Equations (5.24) and (5.25).

$$(5.26) \quad v_{\text{err}} = v - \hat{v}$$

$$(5.27) \quad \omega_{\text{err}} = \omega - \hat{\omega}$$

$$(5.28) \quad \gamma_{\text{err}} = \hat{\gamma}$$

Under our error model, specified in Equations (5.10), and (5.15), these errors have the following probabilities:

$$(5.29) \quad \varepsilon_{\alpha_1 v^2 + \alpha_2 \omega^2}(v_{\text{err}})$$

$$(5.30) \quad \varepsilon_{\alpha_3 v^2 + \alpha_4 \omega^2}(\omega_{\text{err}})$$

$$(5.31) \quad \varepsilon_{\alpha_5 v^2 + \alpha_6 \omega^2}(\gamma_{\text{err}})$$

where ε_{b^2} denotes a zero-mean error variable with variance b^2 , as before. Since we assume independence between the different sources of error, the desired probability $p(x_t | u_t, x_{t-1})$ is the product of these individual errors:

$$(5.32) \quad p(x_t | u_t, x_{t-1}) = \varepsilon_{\alpha_1 v^2 + \alpha_2 \omega^2}(v_{\text{err}}) \cdot \varepsilon_{\alpha_3 v^2 + \alpha_4 \omega^2}(\omega_{\text{err}}) \cdot \varepsilon_{\alpha_5 v^2 + \alpha_6 \omega^2}(\gamma_{\text{err}})$$