

Model Based Estimation Methods:

Exercise 12

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Bonus problem 12

a.) Plot the estimated and true values of the heights in the two tanks (h_1, h_2).

True values are described as blue curves and estimated values as red curves on Figure 1. Deriving A, C, W, and V is done using Symbolic toolbox in MATLAB, see `sdiff.m`. Implementation is done on `Kalman_filter_two_tank.m`.

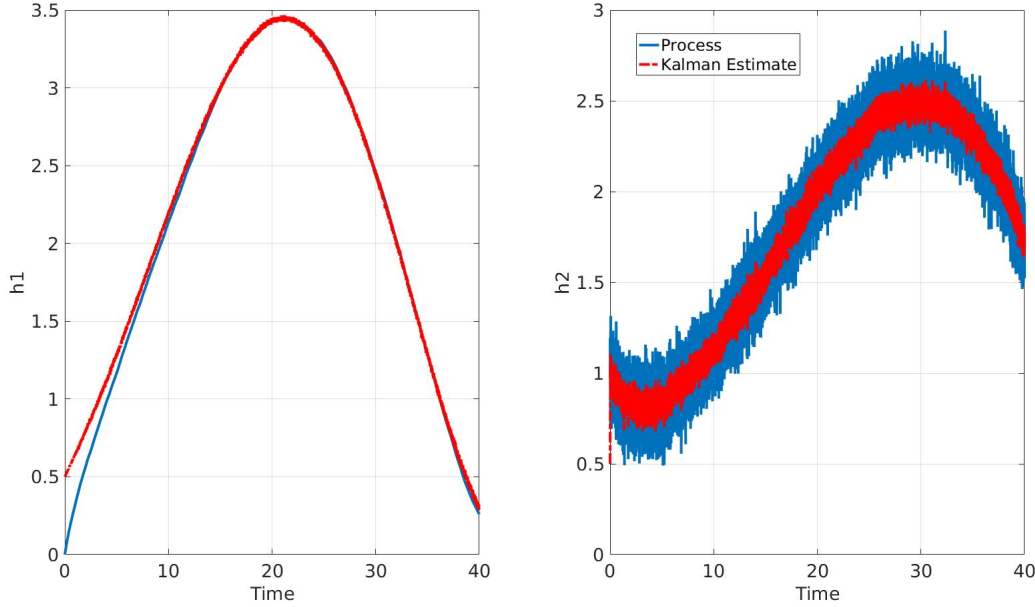


Figure 1: Comparing true and estimate values

b) Adjust the tuning parameters of the Kalman filter to get satisfactory results.

Initial parameters are described below.

$$\hat{x}0 = [0.5, 0.5]'; P0 = [1e-2, 0; 0, 1e-2]; Q = [1e-1, 0; 0, 1e-1]; R = 1e-0;$$

$P0, Q, R$ can be tuned to improve quality of estimation. To investigate how those parameters influence the estimation, the effect is studied for each parameter.

Firstly, let's consider $P0$. If $P0$ is large, it means that $\hat{x}(0)$ is not considered to be good guess for $x(0)$. If $P0$ is set as $\text{diag}(10^2, 10^2)$, initial estimation of h_1 oscillates too much like Figure 2. Thus, it is not a good idea to increase $P0$. On the other hand, $P0$ is set as $\text{diag}(10^{-5}, 10^{-5})$, but it does not make the graph different from original one.

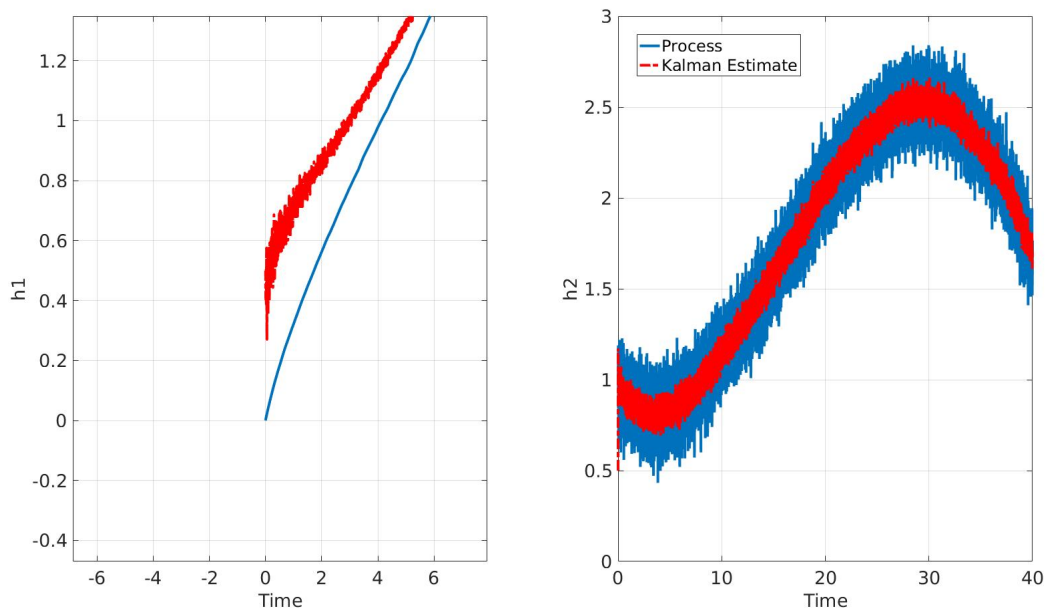


Figure 2: P_0 is $\text{diag}(10^2, 10^2)$

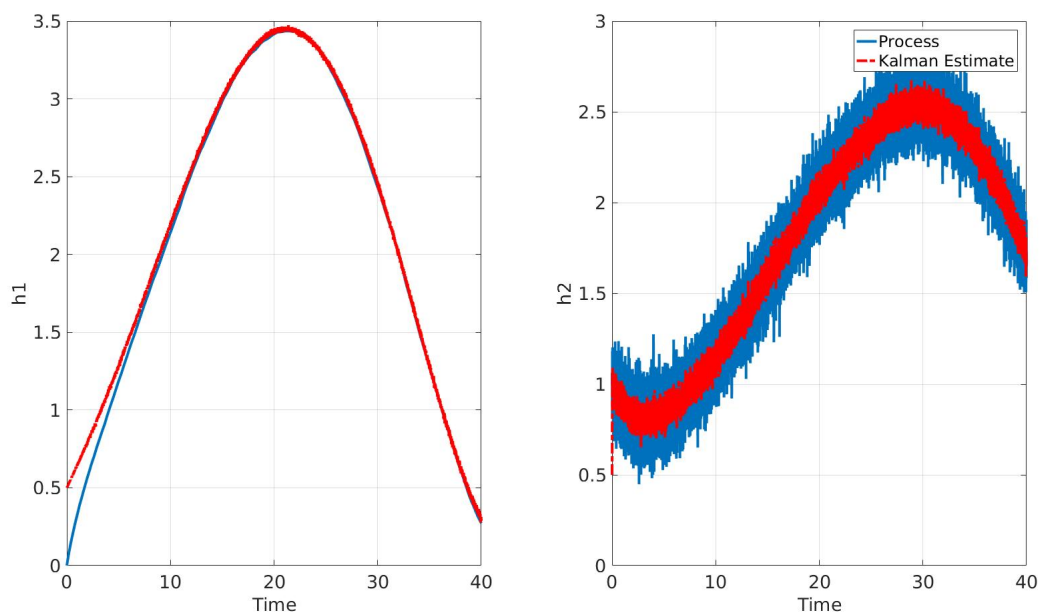


Figure 3: P_0 is $\text{diag}(10^{-5}, 10^{-5})$

Next, state noise matrix Q is increased. to be $\text{diag}(10^+4, 10^+4)$. It yields worse result as shown on Figure 4. Thus, Q is changed to be $\text{diag}(10^{-4}, 10^{-4})$ and examined.

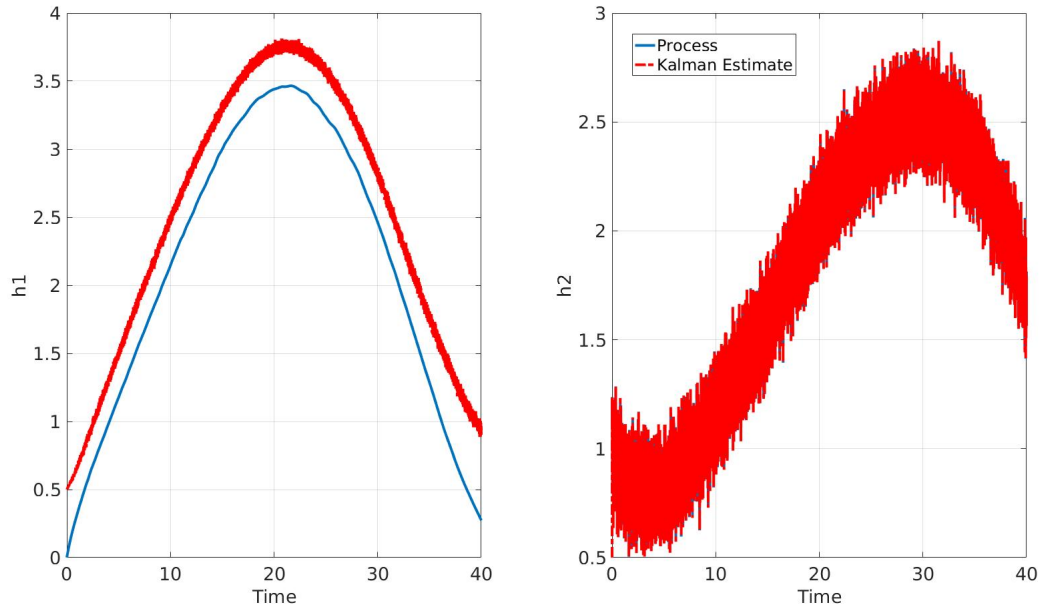


Figure 4: Q is $\text{diag}(10^+4, 10^+4)$

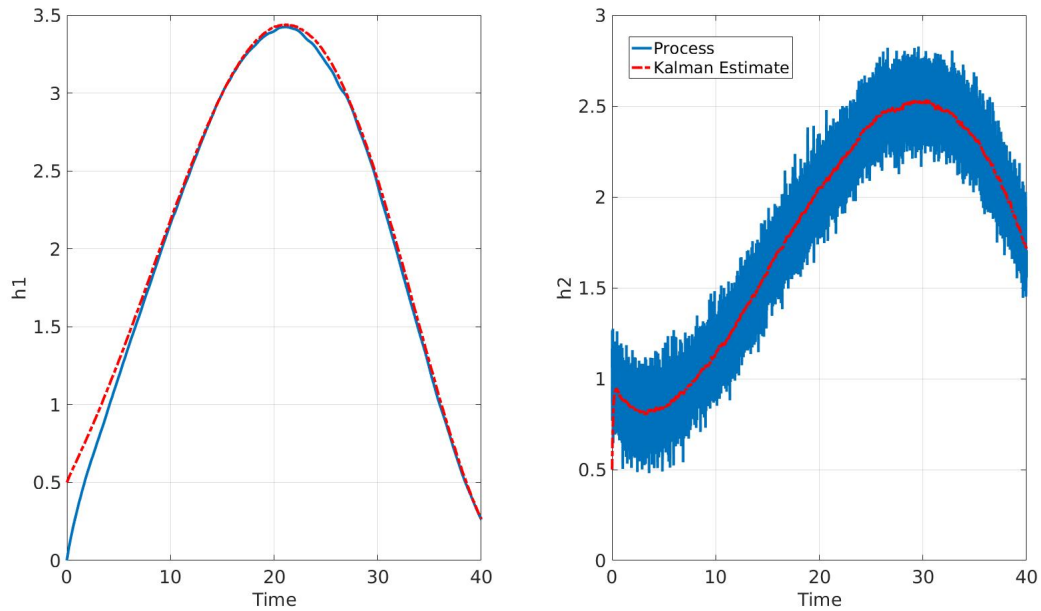


Figure 5: Q is $\text{diag}(10^{-4}, 10^{-4})$

On Figure 5, estimation is done in more clear way. It seems to have got rid of noise

compared to Figure 1.

Finally, effect of R is studied. R is increased to 1000. It also makes the estimation more clear on Figure 6. However, decreasing R will make the estimation worse like Figure 7.

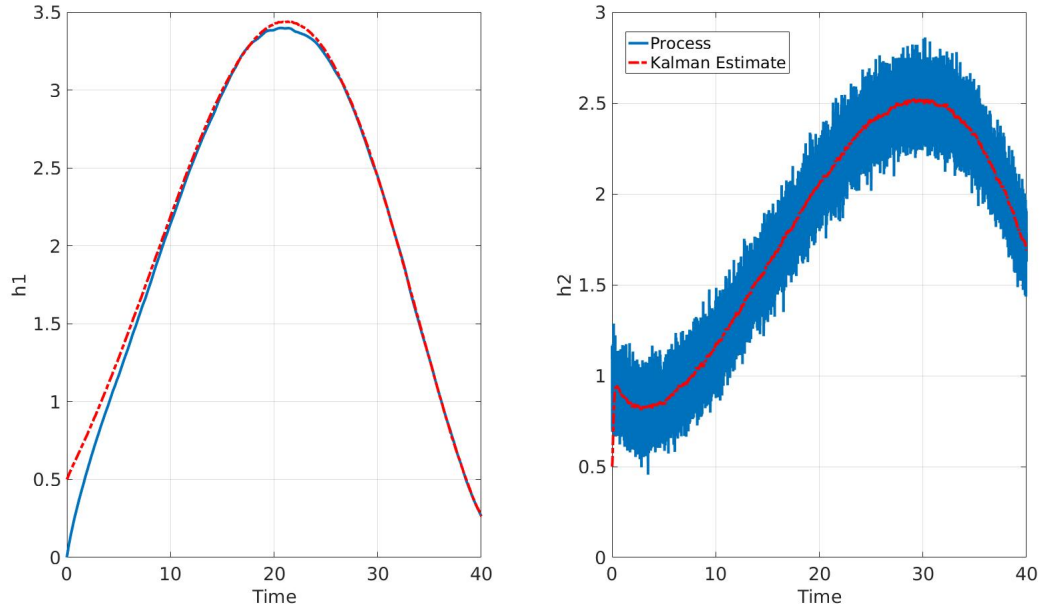


Figure 6: R is 1000

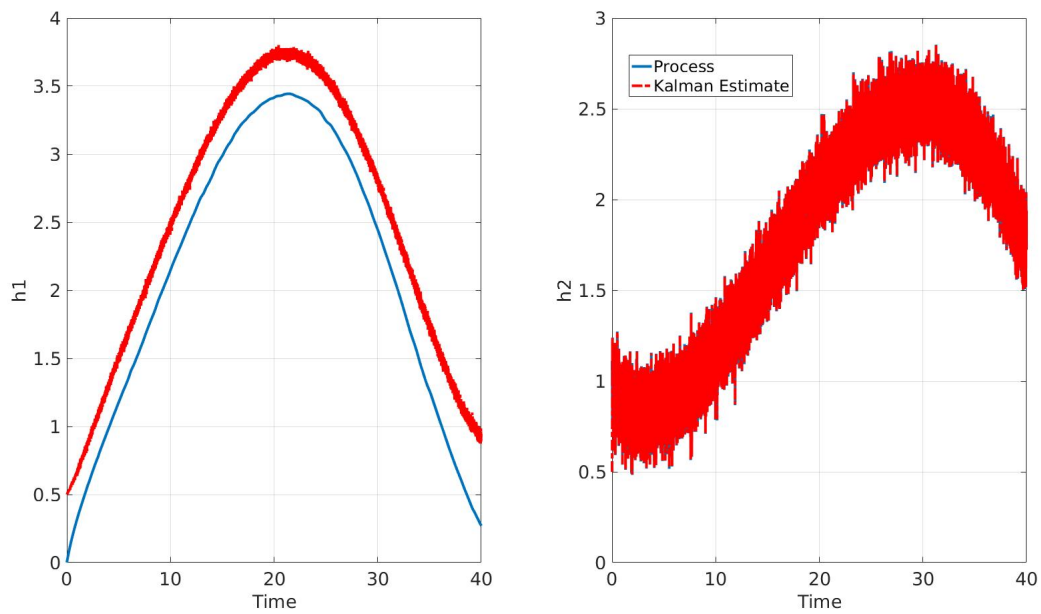


Figure 7: R is 0.001

In summary, decreasing Q and increasing R makes the estimation better. Optimal way will be mixing effects of Q and R . After several attempts, Q is set as $\text{diag}(10^{-2}, 10^{-2})$ and R as 100. Figure 8 proves that this method works.

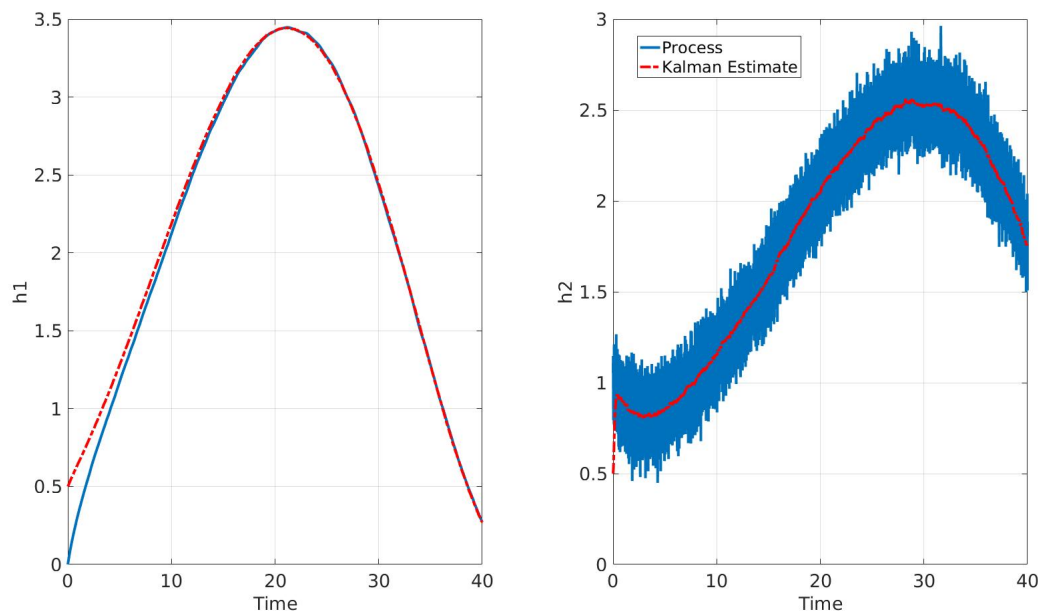


Figure 8: Q and R are $\text{diag}(10^{-2}, 10^{-2})$ and 100

If initial guess of state variable can be modified, it will be the most critical factor. Initial guess $x_0 = [0.1, 1.1]$ improves Figure 8 and it has nice guess near initial point, Figure 9.

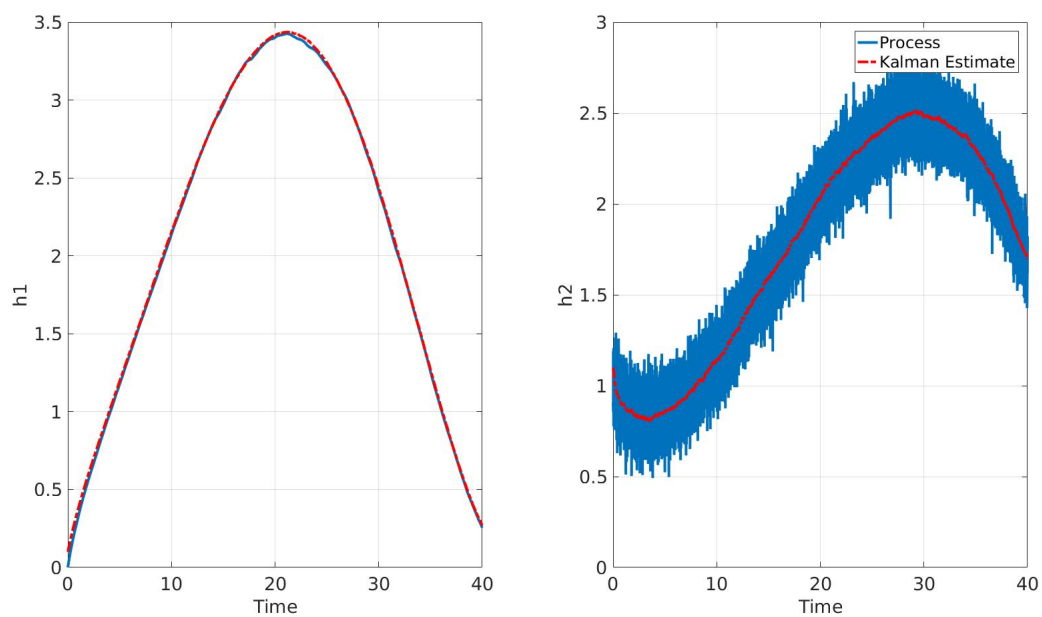


Figure 9: $x_0 = [0.1, 1.1]$