

# Lifted Relational Kalman Filtering

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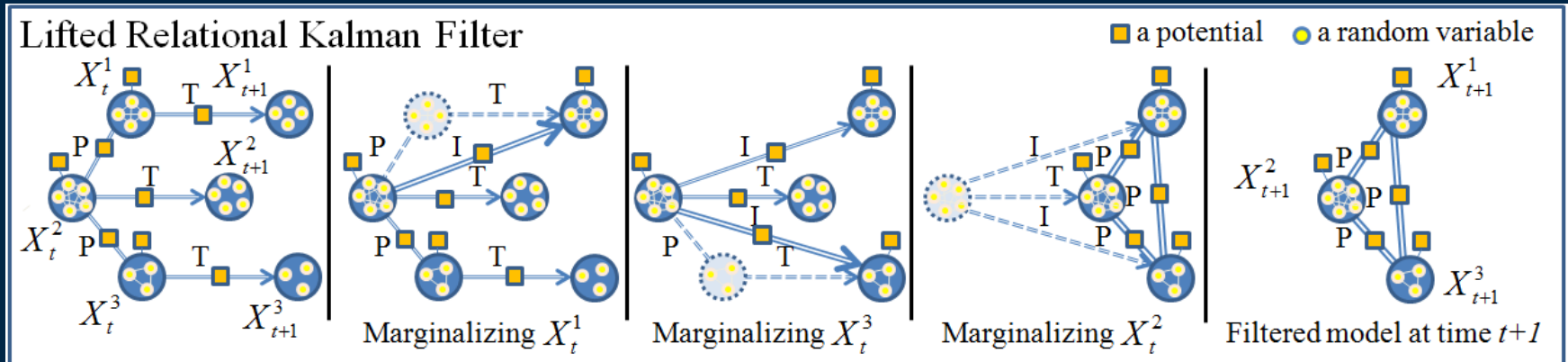
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- The KF is of widespread use:

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- Environmental engineering (weather forecasting)
- Econometrics (market forecasting)
- Tracking (object, vehicles, targets, etc.)

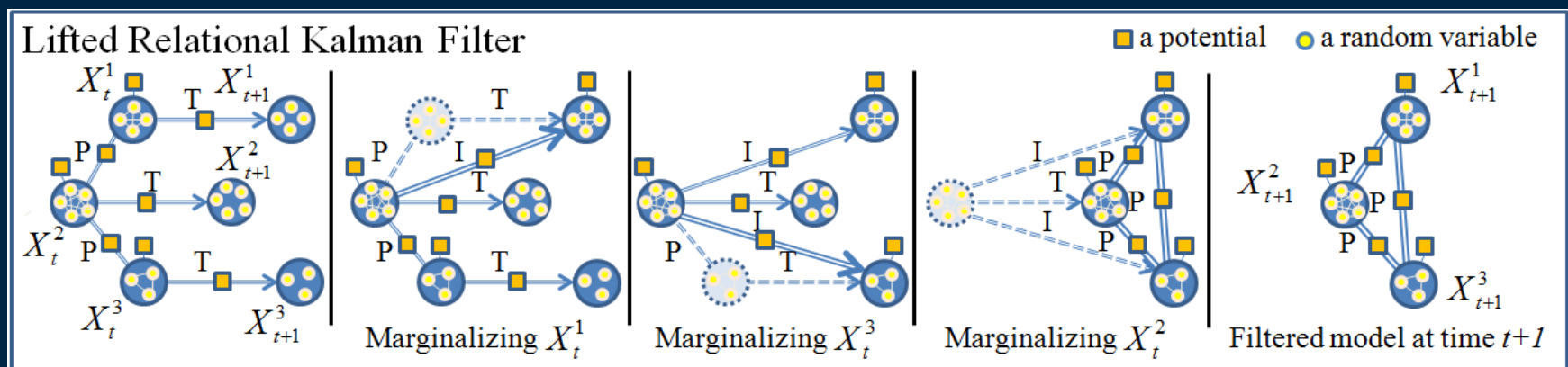
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- Key Insights
  - After a filtering step, the pair-wise representation is maintained (product of potentials over two variables each).
  - Two state variables continue to have the same variance and covariances even when individual observations are made.

# Outline of the talk

- Relational Gaussian Models (RGMs)
- Problem Definition: Filtering with RGMs
- Lifted Relational Kalman Filtering
- Computational Complexity
- Experimental Results
- Conclusions

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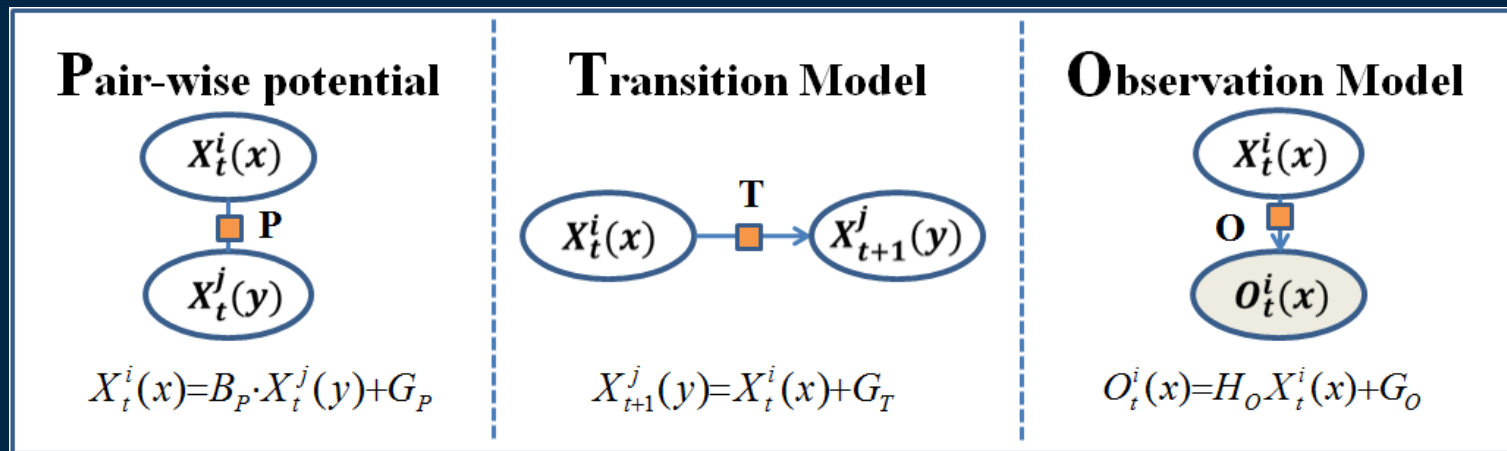
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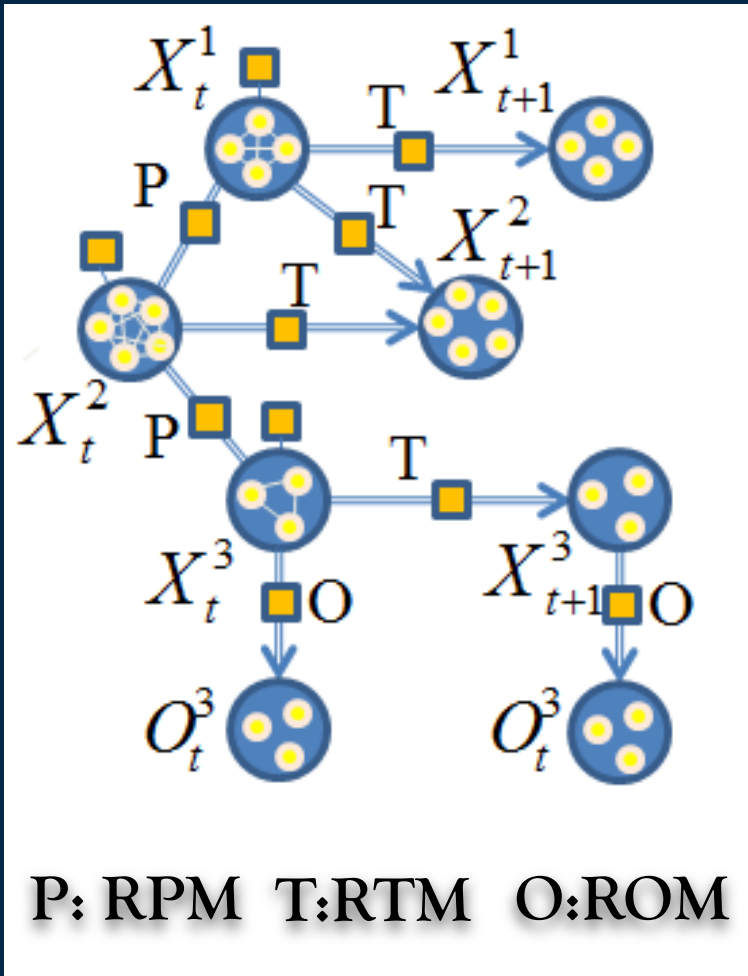
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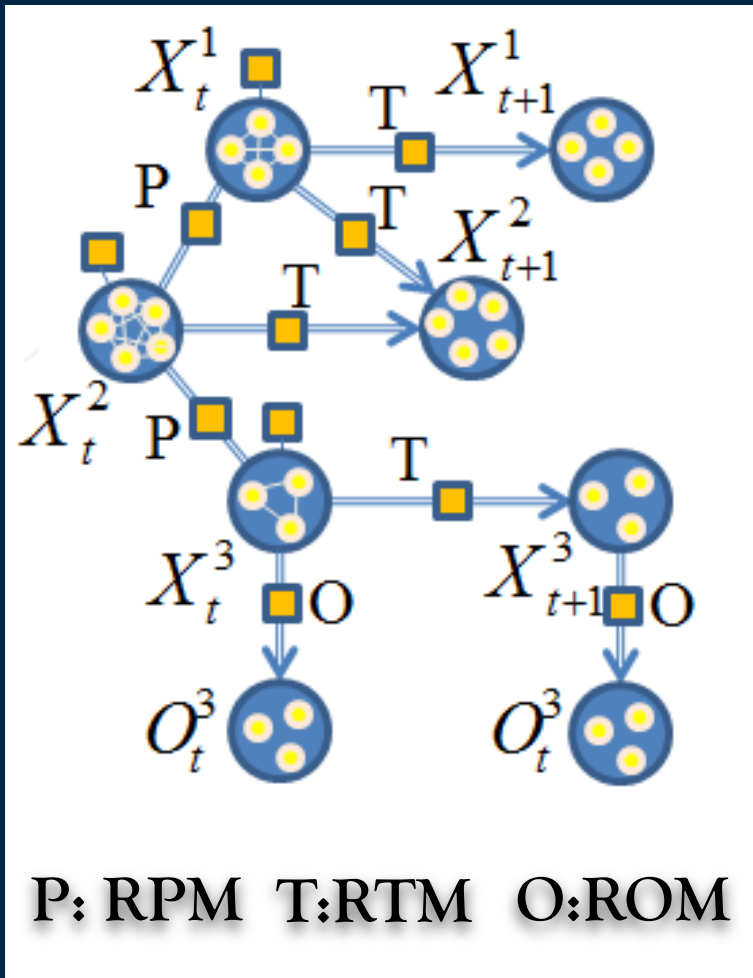
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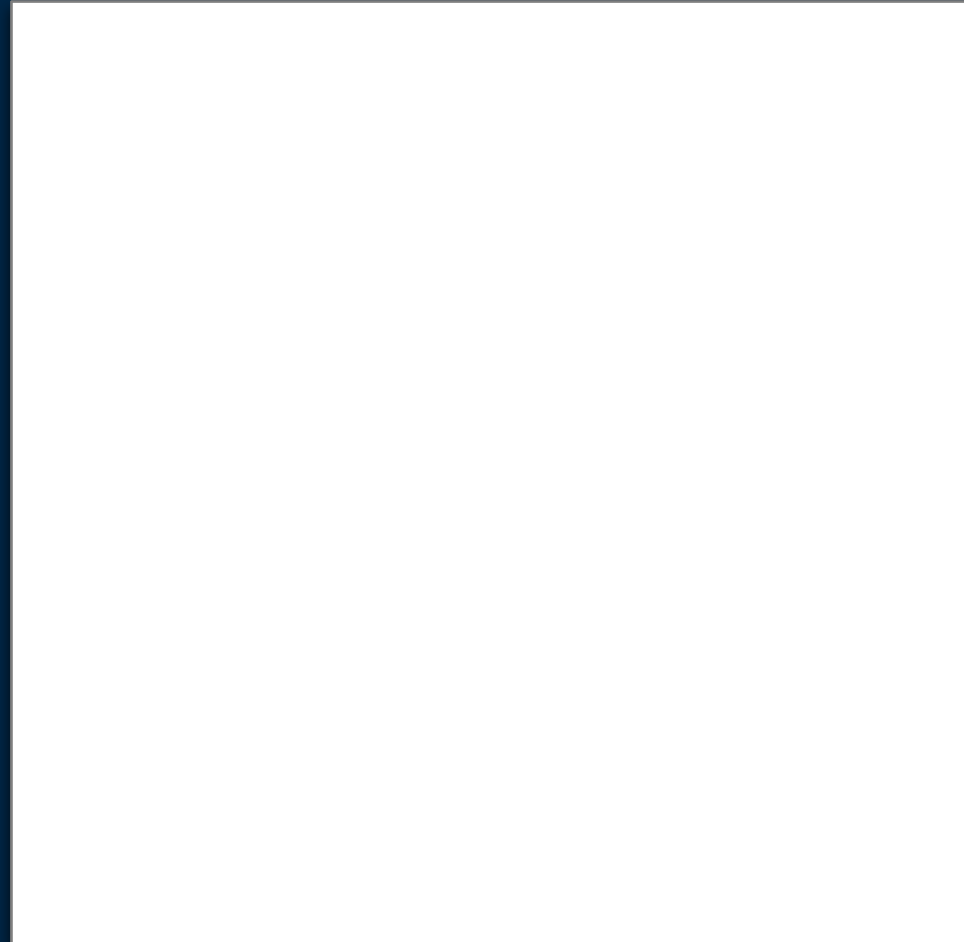
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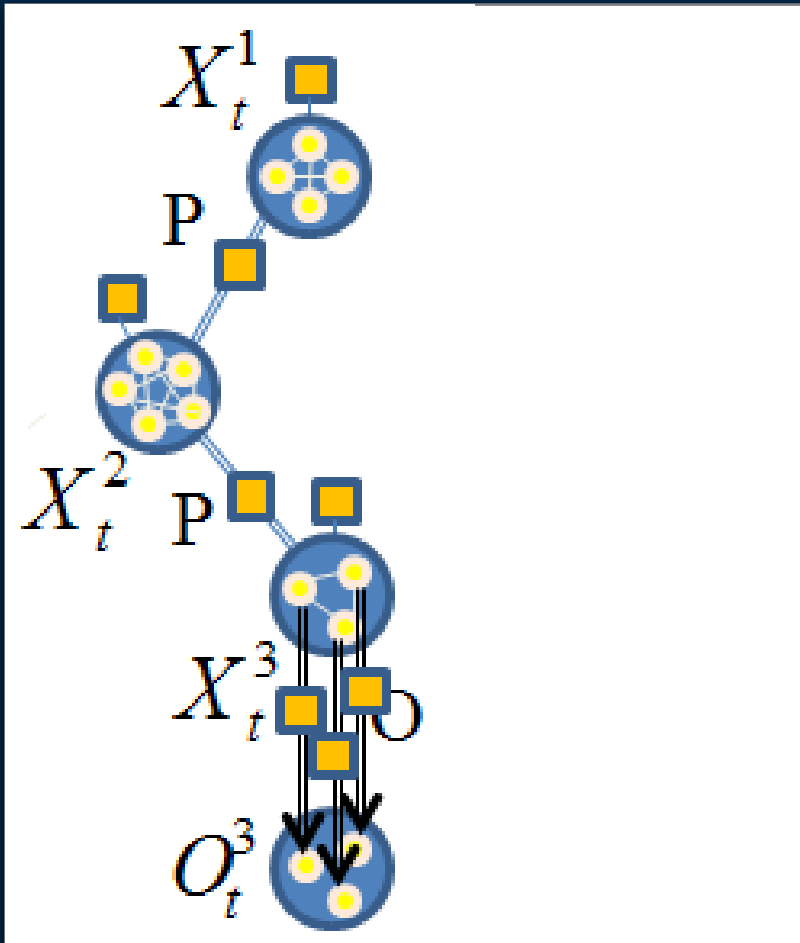


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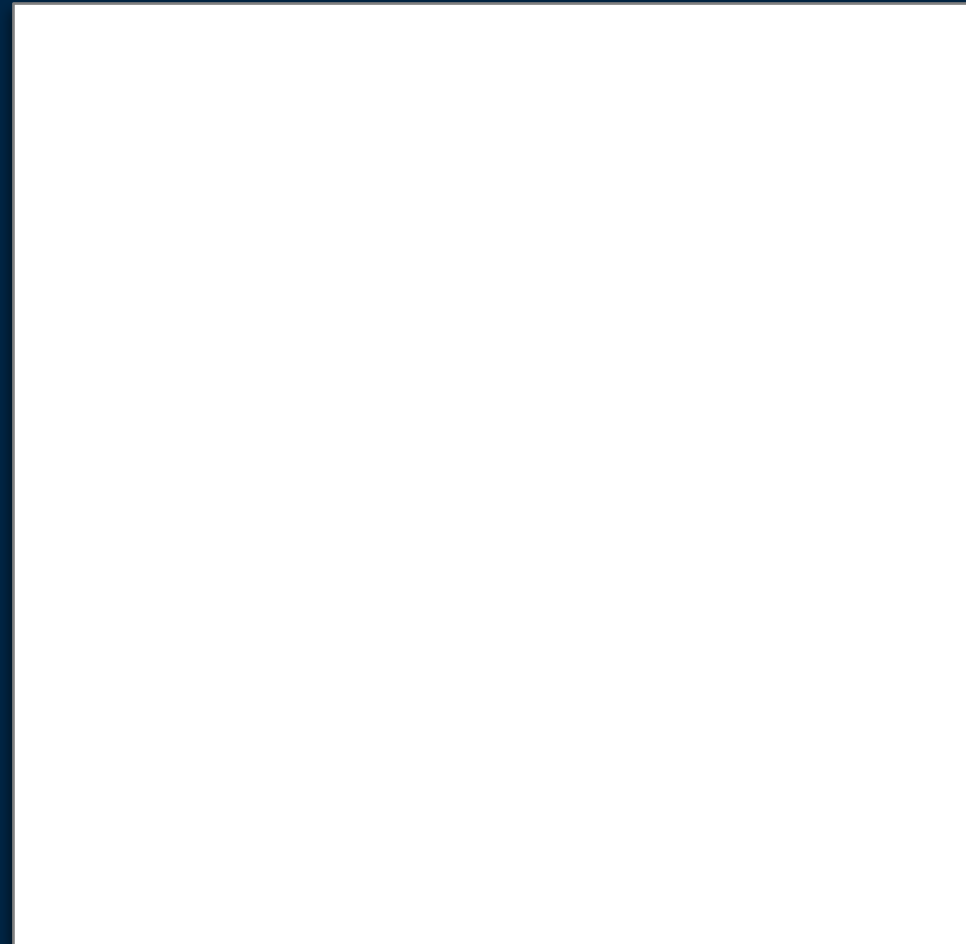
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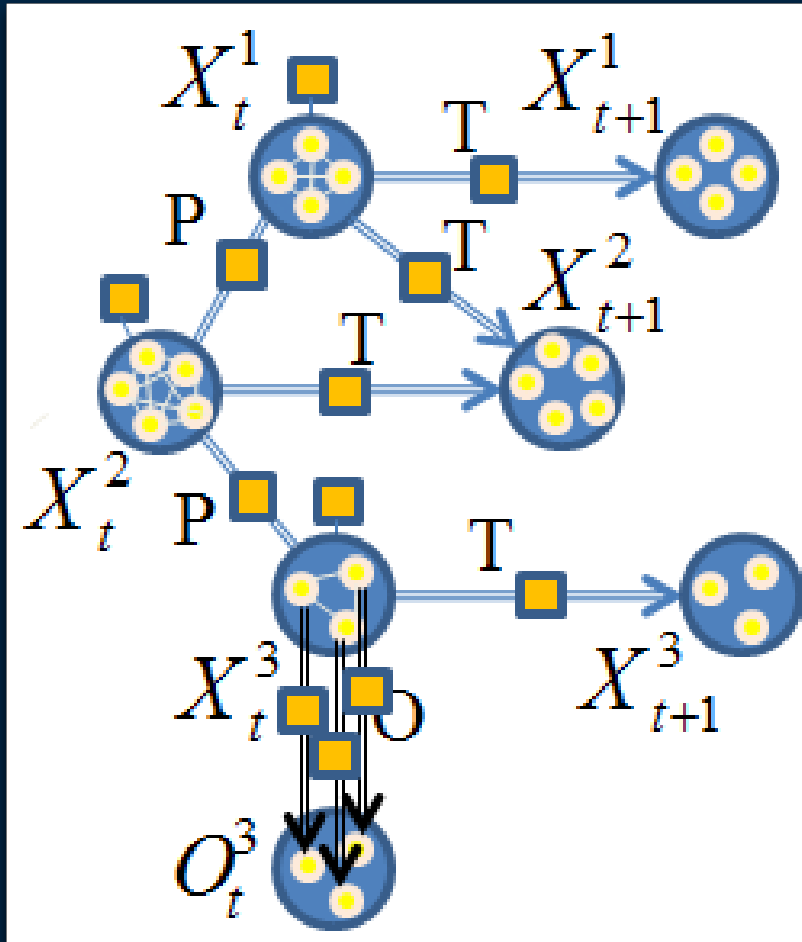


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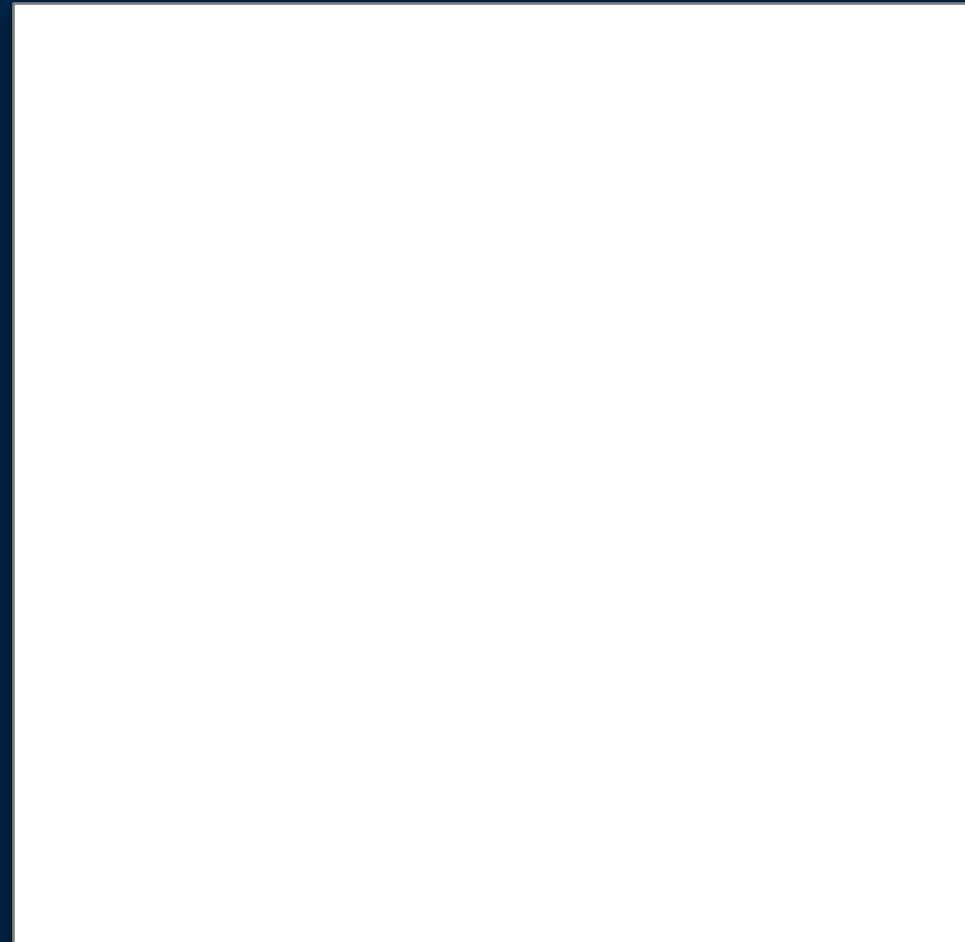
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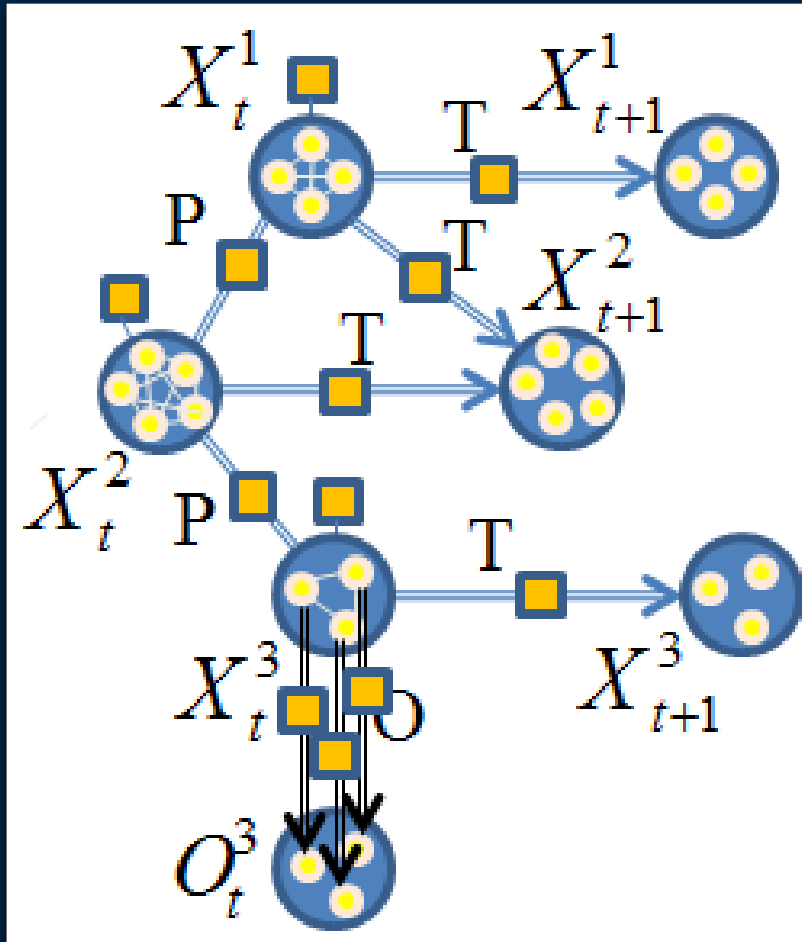


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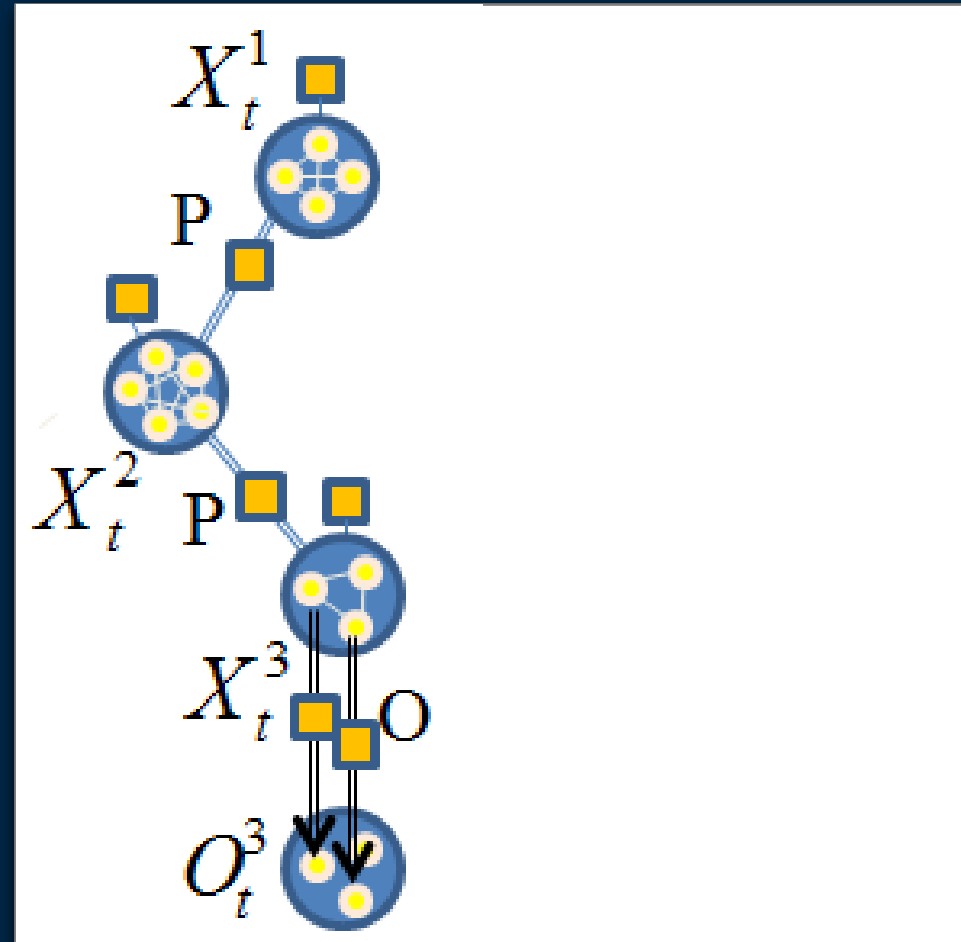
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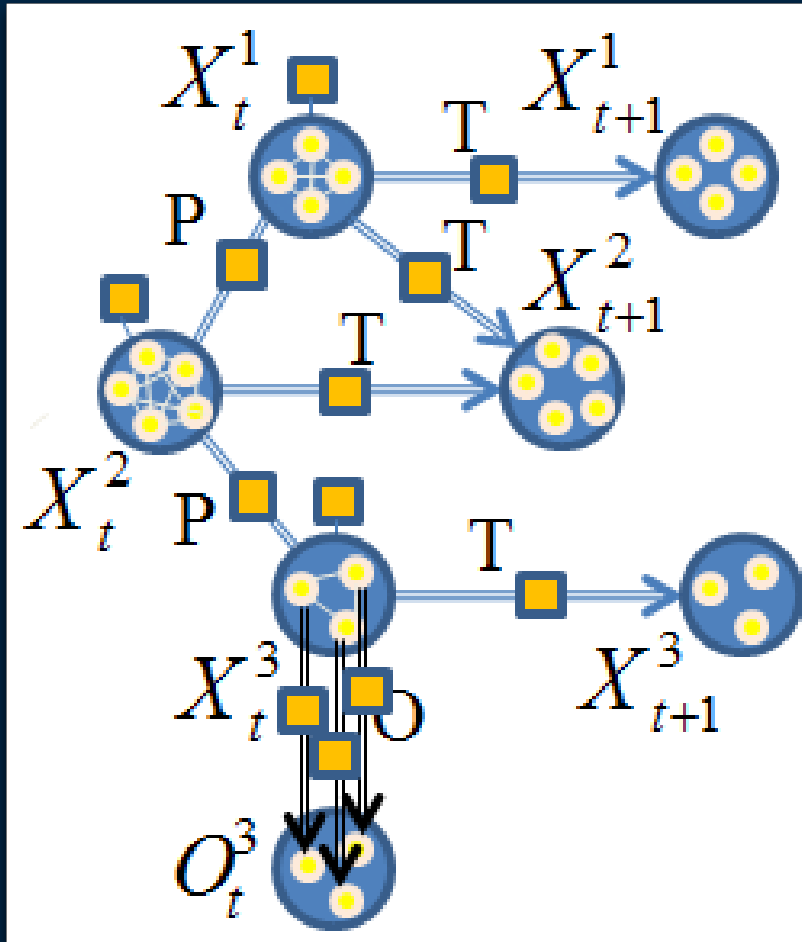


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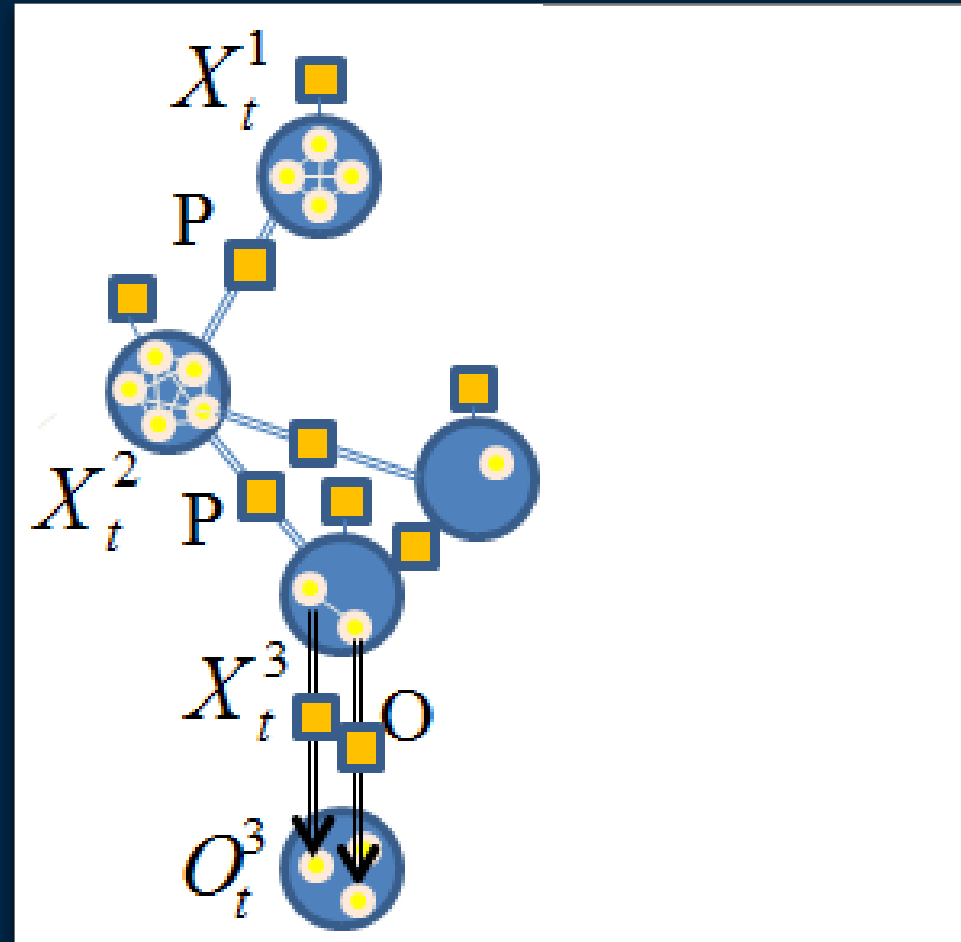
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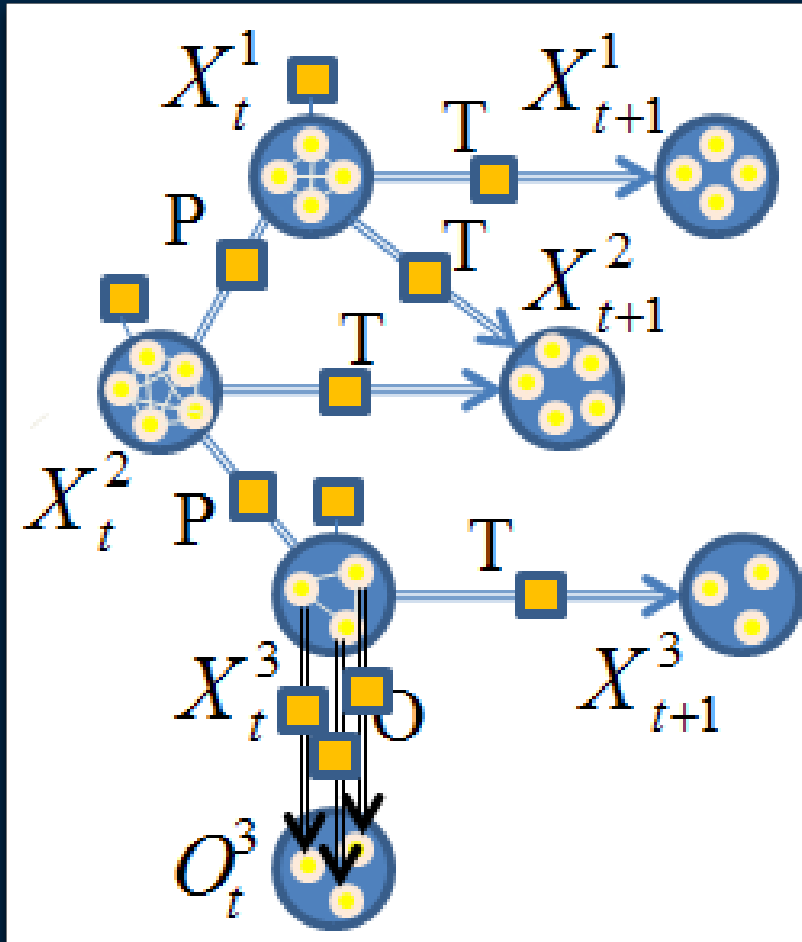


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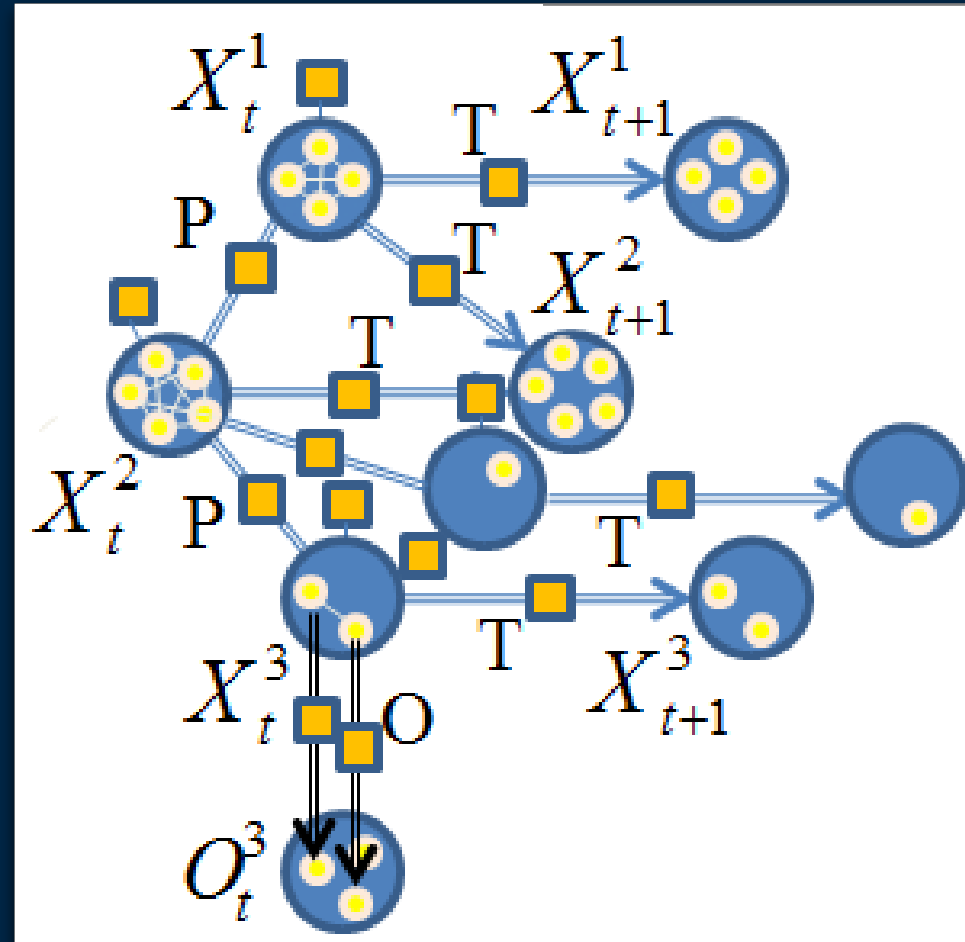
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# Computational Complexity of 'LRKF'

This algorithm (LRKF):  $O(n \cdot m^2)$        $n \gg m$

Ground KF:  $O(n^3)$

n: the number of state random variables

m: the size of the induced partition (number of atoms in the RGM)

- Therefore, LRKF enables exact Kalman filtering of 1,000,000,000 state variables (in contrast to 1000 variables with the original KF).

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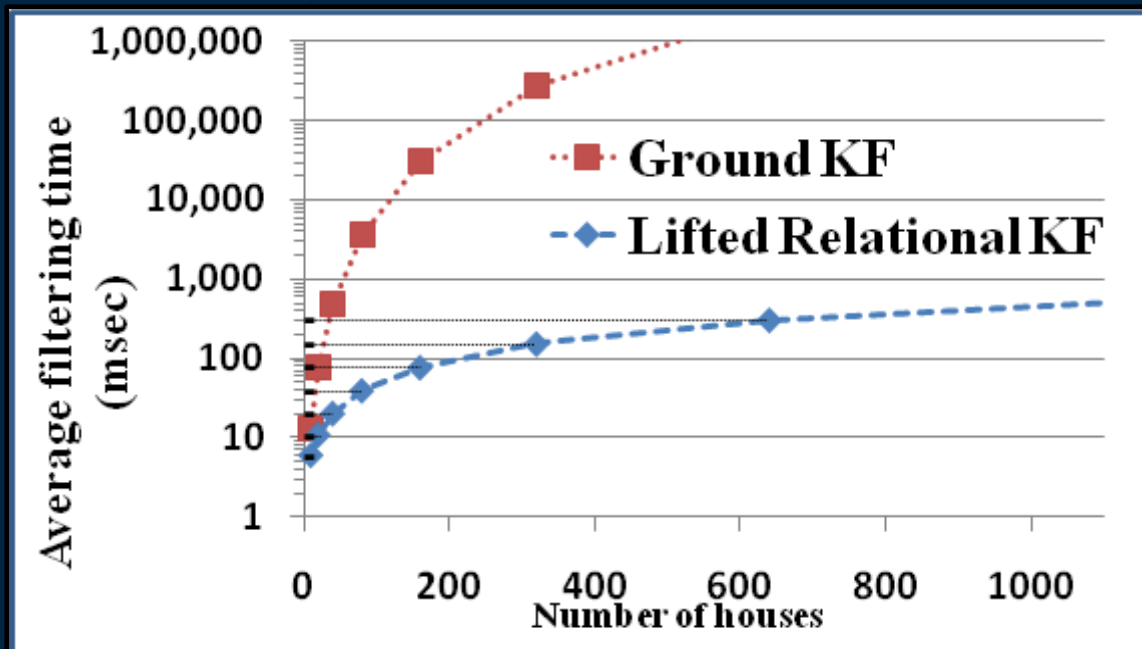
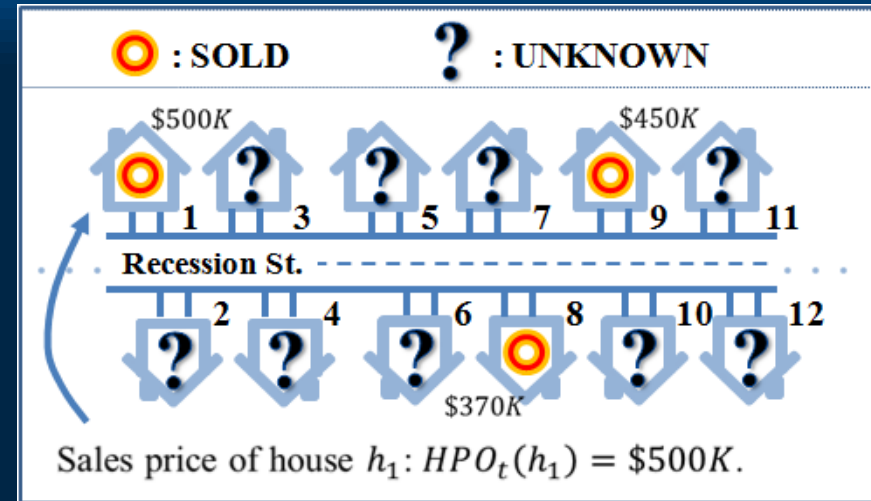
○ Given: housing market example.

○ Observations for:

○ Housing market index,

○ Sales prices for a set of houses

○ Goal: Estimate the price of each house (mean and variance)

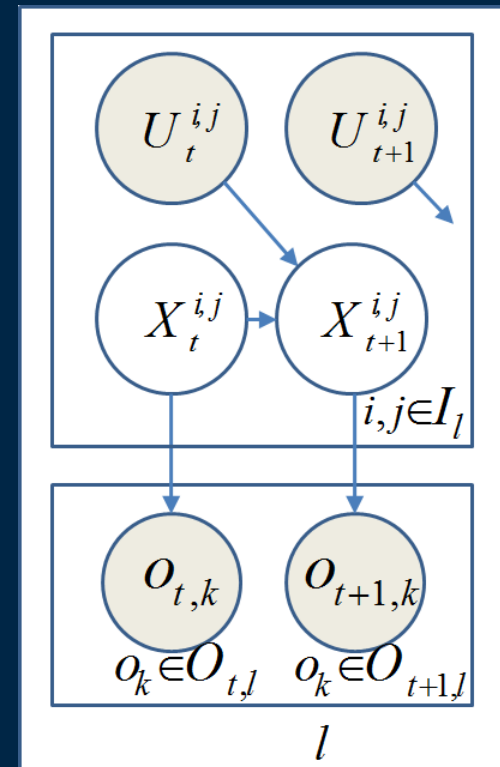


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  - Our LRKF can extend an inference problem [Xian, Neville and Rogati, WWW, 2011] in social networks into a filtering problem.
  - $U_{i,j}$ : profile similarity feature vectors
  - $X_{i,j}$ : the relationship strength variables
  - $O_k$ : interaction observations

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# Conclusions

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- We show that a lifted inference is still possible even when individual observations are made for all random variables.

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