

Homework 3, Feb 2025

1. Plot the number of days with positive temperature (in Celsius) in Stockholm from 1756 till this year. Download the data file `stockholm_daily_mean_temperature.csv` from <https://bolin.su.se/data/stockholm-historical-daily-temperature-2?n=stockholm-historical-temps-daily-2>. Note that some dates in which data is missing have very negative temperature.
2. Write a Python program that simulates and plots the distance reached by a 2D random walker after N steps, where N ranges from 0 to 1000. The walker moves in discrete steps chosen from the set of `moves=[[0,1],[0,-1],[1,0],[-1,0]]`, corresponding to up, down, right, and left. Theoretically, the expected distance after N steps is $\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}\sqrt{N}$. However, a single random walker will rarely match this distance exactly. To see how the average behavior approaches this theoretical curve, simulate $N_{walk} = 1000$ random walkers, each taking up to 1000 steps. Compute and plot the average distance at each step N over all walkers. Show that the averaged distance curve approximates $\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}\sqrt{N}$ when N_{walk} is large.

Problem 1 - Stockholm Temperature

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In [89]: from numpy import array, loadtxt, zeros, arange, polyfit, random, pi, sqrt
        from numba import njit
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In [74]: # Extract data from the file - without numpy

input_file = "stockholm_daily_mean_temperature.csv"

# The date is in the 1st column and the temperature is in the 2,3,4th columns

with open(input_file) as f:
    lines = f.readlines()
    # Remove the first line (It has the headers)
    lines = lines[1:]

    # Each line in the file is a string, with each set of information seperated by a comma
    lines = [line.split(",") for line in lines]

dates = [lines[i][0].split("-") for i in range(len(lines))]
temperatures = [val[3] for val in lines]
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In [75]: # Extract data from the file using numpy

input_file = "stockholm_daily_mean_temperature.csv"

temperatures = loadtxt(input_file, delimiter=",", skiprows=1, usecols=(3))

dates = loadtxt(input_file, delimiter=",", skiprows=1, usecols=(0), dtype=str)
dates = array([date.split("-") for date in dates], dtype=int)

# It is indeed faster to use numpy loadtxt!
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In [76]: # I know that in class, we discussed that a step of 365 days is a good approximation of a year
# But I want to be more precise, so I am looping over the dataset to find the first instance of a year

#This loops over all the temperatures and increases the positive count for the year, the year
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@njit #USING NUMBA FOR SPEEDUP
def filldata(dates, temperatures, positive_temperatures):
    years_accounted = 1 # The number of distinct years accounted for
    for i in range(len(dates)):
        if dates[i][0] == 1756 + years_accounted:
            years_accounted += 1
        if temperatures[i] > 0:
            positive_temperatures[years_accounted-1] += 1
    return positive_temperatures

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In [77]: # Initialize array for year start indices (1756 to 2024 - 270)
positive_temperatures = zeros(2026 - 1756, dtype=int)
filldata(dates, temperatures, positive_temperatures) # Filling the data for number of days wi
len(positive_temperatures)

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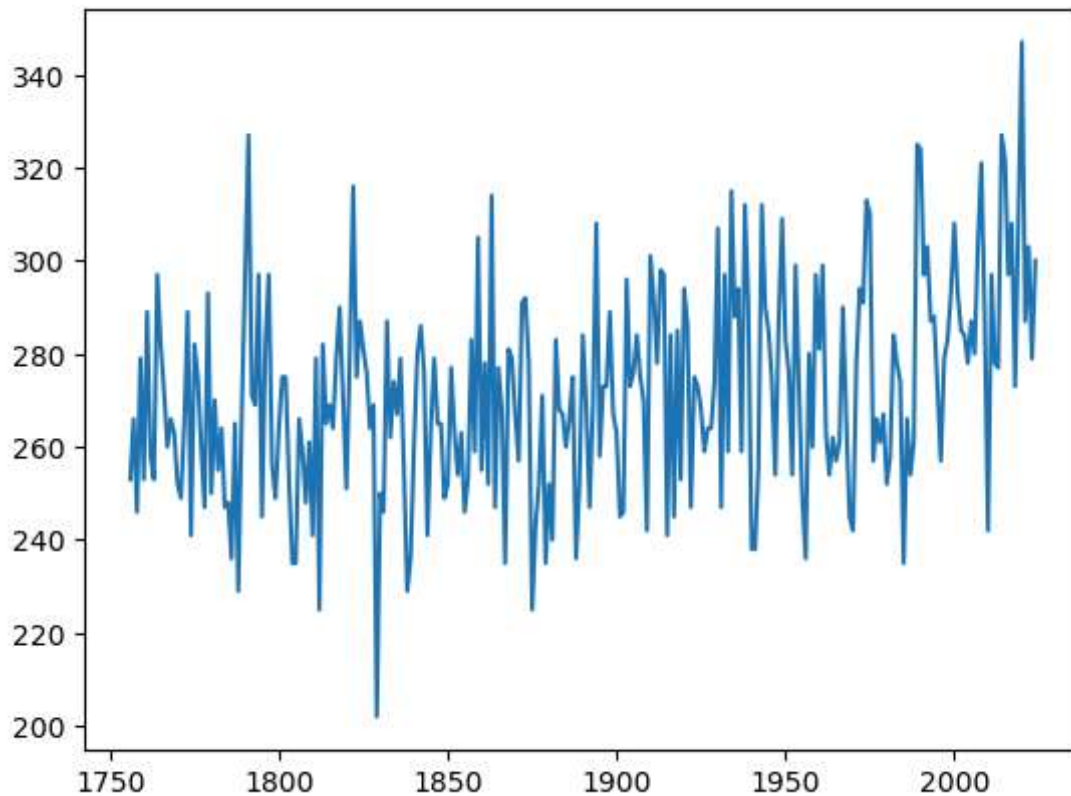
Out[77]: 270

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In [78]: # Now I want to plot the data
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

plt.plot(range(1756, 2025), positive_temperatures[:-1])
plt.show()

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NOTE

WE WERE NOT ASKED TO FIND THE LINEAR FIT, BUT I DID IT ANYWAY TO CLEARLY SEE THE CHANGE OVER THE YEARS THE CODE FOR THE FITTING WAS TAKEN FROM A SIMPLE SEARCH FOR "LINEAR FIT NUMPY"

The only addition to the previous plot that I made is:

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slope, intercept = polyfit(x, positive_temperatures[:-1], 1)
fitted_line = slope * x + intercept

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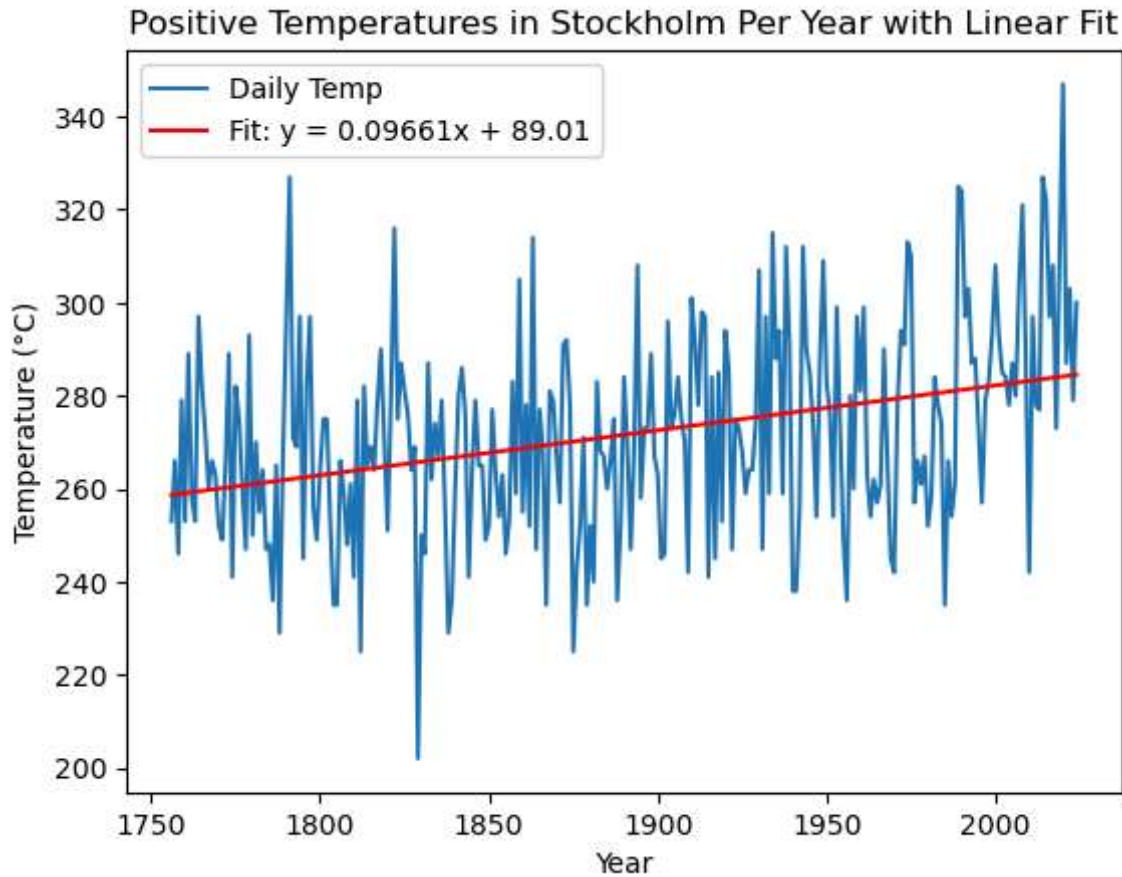
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In [79]: # x-axis: Year
x = arange(1756, 2025) # 269 points
# Linear fit

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slope, intercept = polyfit(x, positive_temperatures[:-1], 1)
fitted_line = slope * x + intercept

# Plot
plt.plot(x, positive_temperatures[:-1], label="Daily Temp")
plt.plot(x, fitted_line, color="red", label=f"Fit: y = {slope:.5f}x + {intercept:.2f}")
plt.xlabel("Year")
plt.ylabel("Temperature (°C)")
plt.title("Positive Temperatures in Stockholm Per Year with Linear Fit")
plt.legend()
plt.show()
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Another Note

Since 2025 data is only limited to a few days, (a few dozen), it is an outlier. Hence, it skewed the entire plot. Hence, **I only plotted the data up until 2024.**

Problem 2 - Random Walker

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In [80]: # Defining Initial Parameters
Nwalkers = 1000
stepsPerWalker = 1000
moves = array([[0, 1], [1, 0], [0, -1], [-1, 0]])
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In [81]: @njit
def norm(x):
    return (x**2).sum()**0.5
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In [82]: # The way I would approach this is, for each step, I would increment the position of the walker
# I would keep an array that accounts for the average distance of the walkers at each step.
# This way I don't need to store all the positions for each steps, just the average distances

@njit # USING NUMBA FOR SPEEDUP
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def randomWalk(walkerPositions, averageDistance, moves, stepsPerWalker, Nwalkers):
    for i in range(stepsPerWalker):
        for j in range(Nwalkers):
            walkerPositions[j] += moves[random.randint(4)] # Increment the position of the wa
            averageDistance[i] += norm(walkerPositions[j]) # Sum over all walker distances
        averageDistance[i] /= Nwalkers # Divide by the number of walkers to get the average d
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In [87]: #Initialization and Calling the function
walkerPositions = zeros((Nwalkers, 2))
averageDistance = zeros(stepsPerWalker)

randomWalk(walkerPositions, averageDistance, moves, stepsPerWalker, Nwalkers)

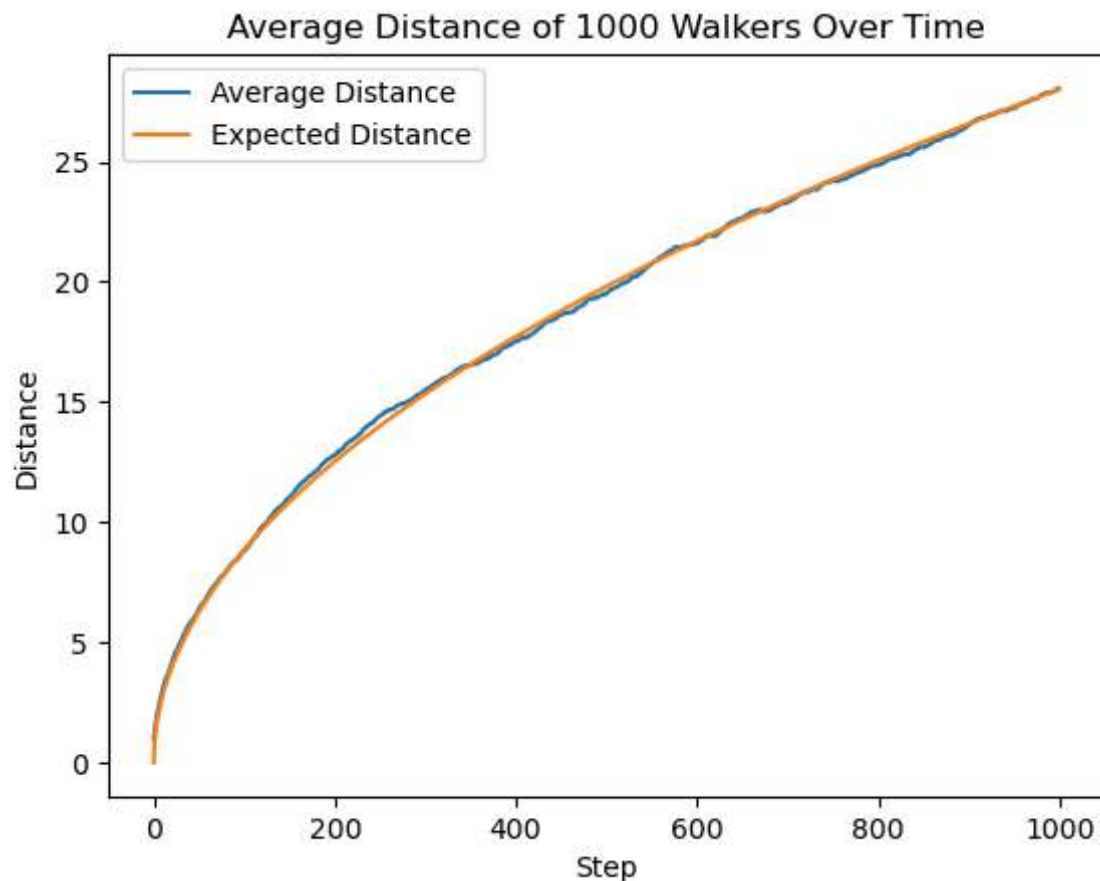
# Printing the first 10 values for the average distance to confirm
print(averageDistance[:10])
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[1.          1.21607734 1.6069419  1.77947146 2.05977457 2.18705871
 2.38394462 2.53215533 2.76144087 2.91734384]
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In [92]: # Plotting the average distance

@njit
def expectedDistance(N):
    return sqrt(pi*N)/ 2

# Plotting the expected distance
plt.plot(averageDistance, label="Average Distance")
plt.plot(expectedDistance(arange(stepsPerWalker)), label="Expected Distance")
plt.xlabel("Step")
plt.ylabel("Distance")
plt.title(f"Average Distance of {Nwalkers} Walkers Over Time")
plt.legend()
plt.show()
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