# SMC: Exercises set II

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This document provides solution for the Exercises set I given at http://www.it.uu.se/research/systems\_and\_control/education/2017/smc/homework/SMC2017\_exercises2.pdf.

#### II.1 Likelihood estimates for the stochastic volatility model

We consider the following stochastic volatility model:

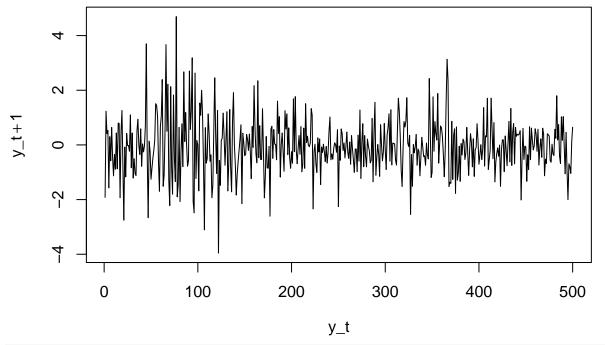
$$x_t \mid x_{t-1} \sim N(x_t; \phi x_t, \sigma^2)$$
  

$$y_t \mid x_t \sim N(y_t; 0, \beta^2 \exp(x_t))$$
  

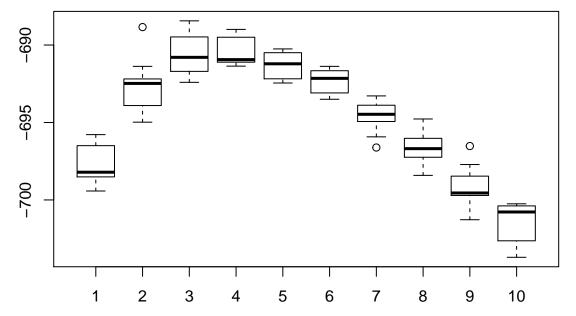
$$\theta = \{\phi, \sigma, \beta\}$$

Given the observations y,  $\theta = \{0.98, 0.16\}$ , and  $\beta \in (0, 2)$ , estimate the likelihood using the bootstrap particle filter with N = 500 particles.

```
T <- 500
N <- 500
#Read the observations and plot them
y <- read.csv("seOMXlogreturns2012to2014.csv", header = FALSE)
y <- y[,1]
plot(c(1:T), y, type = "l", xlab = expression(y_t), ylab = expression(y_t+1))</pre>
```



```
loglikelihood <- 0
  #state at t=0
  x0 \leftarrow rnorm(N, 0, .8)
  x \leftarrow matrix(rep(0, T*N), nrow = T)
  # Step 1. Initialize
  x[1, ] <- x0
  m \leftarrow rep(0, T)
  m[1] <- 0
  s <- rep(1:N)
  for (t in 2:T) {
    # Step 2. Importance sampling step
    x[t, ] \leftarrow 0.98*x[t-1, s] + rnorm(N)*0.16
    #Likelihood
    w.tilde <- dnorm(y[t], mean = 0, sd = beta*exp(x[t,]/2),
                       log = TRUE)
    #Normalize
    max_weight <- max(w.tilde)</pre>
    imp_weight <- exp(w.tilde - max_weight)</pre>
    w <- imp_weight / sum(imp_weight)</pre>
    # accumulate the log-likelihood
    loglikelihood = loglikelihood + max_weight +
      log(sum(imp_weight)) - log(N)
    m[t-1] <- sum(w*x[t,])
    # 3. Resampling step
    s <- sample(1:N, size=N, replace=TRUE, prob=w)
    # Note: resample WHOLE path
    x \leftarrow x[, s]
  \#return(list(x = x, m = m))
  return(loglikelihood)
}
#result <- BPF()</pre>
\#plot(c(1:T), result\$x[,1], type = "l")
#lines(result$m, col="red")
11 <- matrix(0, 10, length(beta_seq))</pre>
for (i in 1:length(beta_seq)) {
  for (k in 1:10) {
    result <- BPF(beta = beta_seq[i])</pre>
    ll[k,i] <- result</pre>
  }
}
boxplot(11)
```

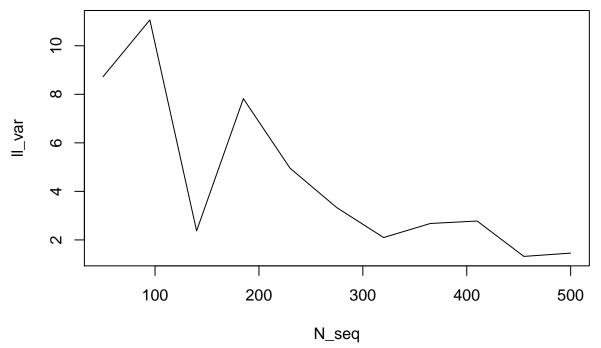


Variance decreases exponentially with increasing N.

#### (b) how N affects the variance of the log-likelihood estimate

```
N_seq <- seq(50, 500, length = 11)
ll_var <- rep(0, length(N_seq))
ll <- matrix(0, 10, length(N_seq))
for (i in 1:length(N_seq)) {
    N <- N_seq[i]
    for (k in 1:10) {
        result <- BPF(beta = 0.7)
        ll[k,i] <- result
    }
    ll_var[i] <- var(ll[,i])
}

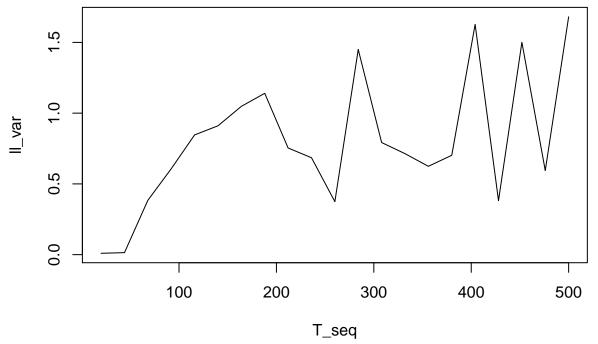
plot(N_seq, ll_var, type = "l")</pre>
```



#### how T affects the variance of the log-likelihood estimate

```
T_seq <- seq(20, 500, length = 21)
ll_var <- rep(0, length(T_seq))
ll <- matrix(0, 10, length(T_seq))
for (i in 1:length(T_seq)) {
    T <- T_seq[i]
    for (k in 1:10) {
        result <- BPF(beta = 0.7)
        ll[k,i] <- result
    }
    ll_var[i] <- var(ll[,i])
}

plot(T_seq, ll_var, type = "l")</pre>
```

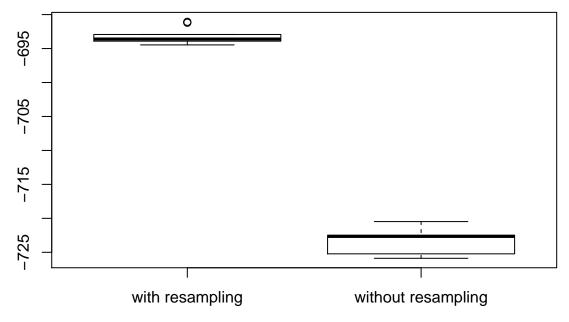


Variance increases almost linearly with increasing T.

#### (c) Study the influence of resampling on the variance of the estimator

```
T <- 500
N <- 500
#Read the observations and plot them
y <- read.csv("seOMXlogreturns2012to2014.csv", header = FALSE)
y < -y[,1]
\#plot(c(1:T), y, type = "l", xlab = expression(y_t), ylab = expression(y_t+1))
####### Boot strap particle filter##########
# given parameters
phi <- 0.98
sigma <- 0.16
beta_seq \leftarrow seq(0.5, 2, length = 10)
BPF <- function(phi = 0.98, sigma = 0.16, beta = 0.7,
                resampling = TRUE)
{
  loglikelihood <- 0
  #state at t=0
 x0 \leftarrow rnorm(N, 0, .8)
```

```
x \leftarrow matrix(rep(0, T*N), nrow = T)
  # Step 1. Initialize
  x[1, ] \leftarrow x0
  m \leftarrow rep(0, T)
  m[1] <- 0
  s <- rep(1:N)
  for (t in 2:T) {
    # Step 2. Importance sampling step
    x[t, ] \leftarrow 0.98*x[t-1, s] + rnorm(N)*0.16
    #Likelihood
    w.tilde <- dnorm(y[t], mean = 0, sd = beta*exp(x[t,]/2),
                       log = TRUE)
    #Normalize
    max_weight <- max(w.tilde)</pre>
    imp_weight <- exp(w.tilde - max_weight)</pre>
    w <- imp_weight / sum(imp_weight)</pre>
    \# accumulate the log-likelihood
    loglikelihood = loglikelihood + max_weight +
      log(sum(imp_weight)) - log(N)
    m[t-1] \leftarrow sum(w*x[t,])
    # 3. Resampling step
    if(resampling)
      s <- sample(1:N, size=N, replace=TRUE, prob=w)
      s <- sample(1:N, size=N)</pre>
    # Note: resample WHOLE path
    x \leftarrow x[, s]
  \#return(list(x = x, m = m))
  return(loglikelihood)
}
11 \leftarrow rep(0, 10)
for (k in 1:10) {
    result <- BPF(beta = 0.7, resampling = TRUE)
    ll[k] <- result</pre>
  }
111 \leftarrow rep(0, 10)
for (k in 1:10) {
  result <- BPF(beta = 0.7, resampling = FALSE)</pre>
  ll1[k] <- result
}
ll_df <- cbind(ll, ll1)
colnames(ll_df) <- c("with resampling", "without resampling")</pre>
boxplot(ll_df)
```



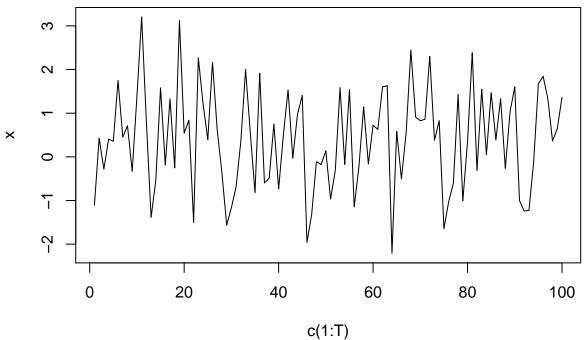
Without resampling the variance is slightly more and log-likelihood is much lower.

### II.2 Fully adapted particle filter

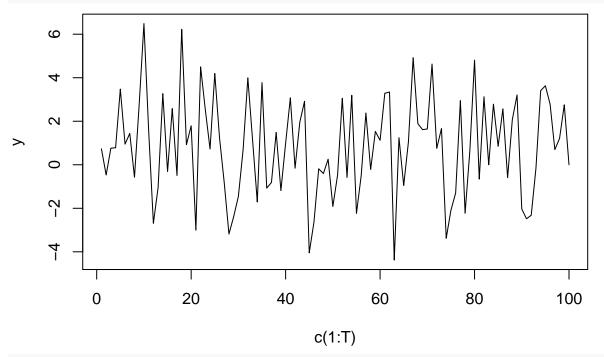
```
T <- 100
N <- 100

x0 <- rnorm(1, 0, 1)
x <- rep(0, T)
y <- rep(0, T)
x[1] <- cos(x0)^2 + rnorm(1)
y[1] <- 2*x[1] + rnorm(1, 0, .1)
for (t in 2:T) {
   x[t] <- cos(x[t-1])^2 + rnorm(1)
   y[t-1] <- 2*x[t] + rnorm(1, 0, .1)
}

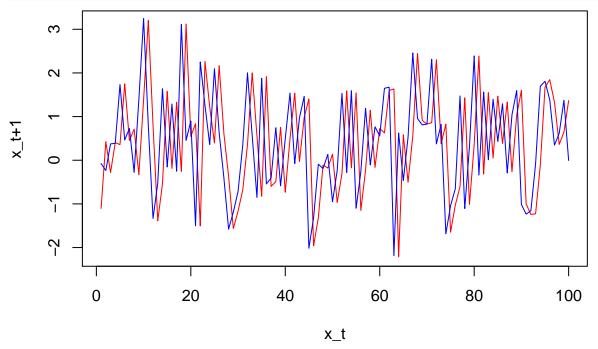
plot(c(1:T), x, type = "l")</pre>
```



```
plot(c(1:T), y, type = "l")
```



```
######## Auxiliary particle filter###########
APF <- function()
  loglikelihood <- 0
  #state at t=0
  x0 <- rnorm(N, 0, 1)
  x \leftarrow matrix(rep(0, T*N), nrow = T)
  # Step 1. Initialize
  x[1, ] \leftarrow x0
  m \leftarrow rep(0, T)
  m[1] <- 0
  s <- rep(1:N)
  for (t in 2:T) {
    # compute resampling weights
    resamp_weights = dnorm(y[t], mean = 2*cos(x[t-1, ])^2,
                           sd = sqrt(4.01)
    # Normalize the weights
    resamp_weights = resamp_weights / sum(resamp_weights)
    \#m[t-1] <- sum(w*x[t,])
    # Resampling step
    s <- sample(1:N, size = N, replace = TRUE, prob = resamp_weights)
    \#propogation\ step
    x[t, ] <-0.1/sqrt(4.01)*rnorm(N, 0, 1) + (2/4.01) * y[t] + .01/4.01 * cos(s)^2
  }
  return(x)
}
```



## II.4 Forgetting