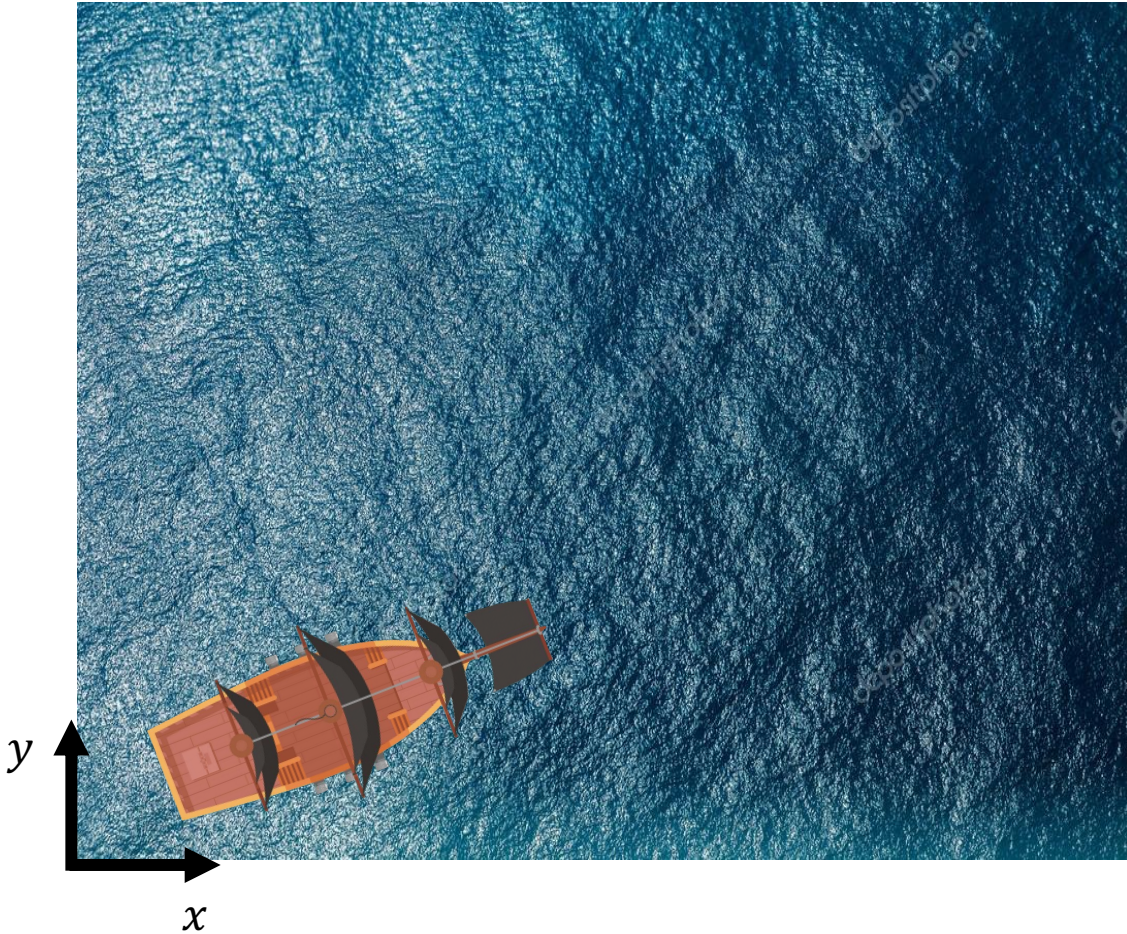


LINMA1731 - Stochastic Processes

Project 2023: Tracking a ship at sea



Tracking a ship at sea



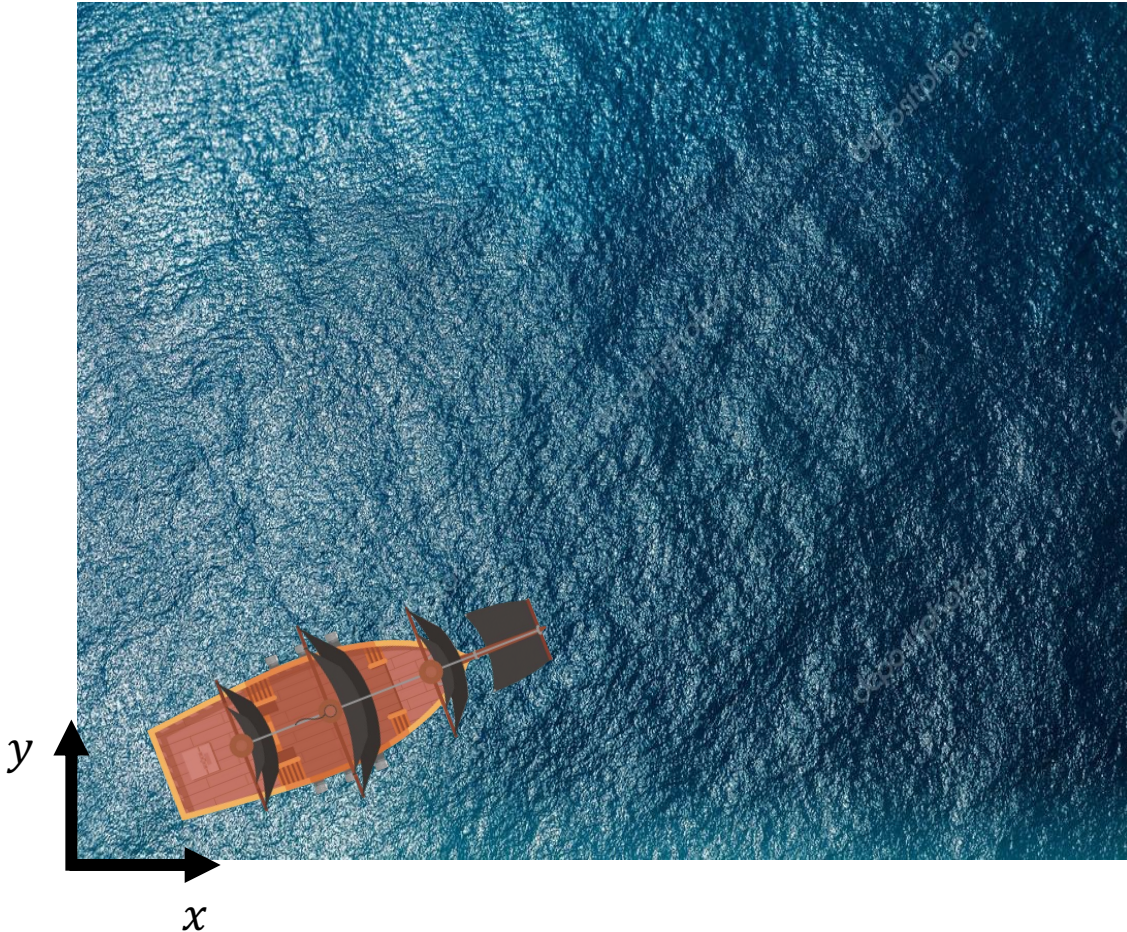
True 2D position of the ship at time k is s_k

Access to only noisy observations $Y_k = s_k + v_k$

$v_k \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_v^2)$ is a white noise (e.g. sextant positioning error)



Dynamics of the ship



Position s_k

Velocity \dot{s}_k

Acceleration a_k

⇒ Linked thanks to the Uniformly Accelerated Motion equations

$$\begin{cases} s_{k+1} = s_k + \dot{s}_k dt + \frac{1}{2} a_k dt^2 \\ \dot{s}_{k+1} = \dot{s}_k + a_k dt \end{cases}$$

with dt the time increment.

Focus on the acceleration

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$$a_k = u_k + w_k$$

Manoeuvring acceleration
Input of the system (controlled)



Random acceleration
Perturbation of the system (not controlled)



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Manoeuvring acceleration
Input of the system (controlled)



$$u_k \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_N, \sigma^2)$$

Random acceleration
Perturbation of the system (not controlled)



$$w_k \sim \text{Gumbel}(\mu, \beta)$$

Part 1: Acceleration Noise Estimation



$$w_k \sim \text{Gumbel}(\mu, \beta)$$

Maximum Likelihood Estimator (MLE)

μ unknown, β known

Both μ and β unknown

Theoretical properties of the estimators (consistency, Cramér-Rao bound, ...)

Numerical verification of the properties

Comparison with a Normal Distribution

Part 2: Kalman Filter vs. Particle Filter



Estimation of the position of the ship based on noisy observations

Implementation in Python

Kalman filter

Particle filter

Comparison of the performances



State space equations

Position s_k
Velocity \dot{s}_k
Acceleration a_k
Time increment dt

The state X_k of the system at time k is defined as the position and speed of the ship

$$X_k = \begin{pmatrix} s_k \\ \dot{s}_k \end{pmatrix}$$

Hence, the **state equation** is

$$\begin{pmatrix} s_{k+1} \\ \dot{s}_{k+1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & dt \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} s_k \\ \dot{s}_k \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} dt^2 \\ dt \end{pmatrix} u_k + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} dt^2 \\ dt \end{pmatrix} w_k$$

while the **observation equation** is

$$Y_k = (1 \quad 0) \begin{pmatrix} s_k \\ \dot{s}_k \end{pmatrix} + v_k$$



Extended model [1]

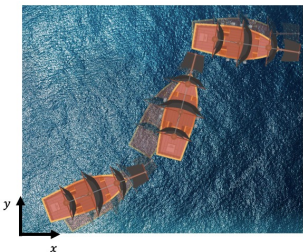
Position $s_k = (x_k, y_k)$
 Velocity $\dot{s}_k = (\dot{x}_k, \dot{y}_k)$
 Time increment dt

Developing the position and velocity, the extended model becomes

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{k+1} \\ y_{k+1} \\ \dot{x}_{k+1} \\ \dot{y}_{k+1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & dt & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & dt \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_k \\ y_k \\ \dot{x}_k \\ \dot{y}_k \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}dt^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2}dt^2 \\ dt & 0 \\ 0 & dt \end{pmatrix} u_k + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}dt^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2}dt^2 \\ dt & 0 \\ 0 & dt \end{pmatrix} w_{k,(2 \times 1)}$$

and

$$Y_k = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_k \\ y_k \\ \dot{x}_k \\ \dot{y}_k \end{pmatrix} + v_{k,(2 \times 1)}$$



Extended model [1]

$$\begin{cases} x_{k+1} = Ax_k + Bu_k + Gw_k \\ y_k = Cx_k + v_k \end{cases}$$

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Kalman Filter

Gauss-Markov model:

$$\begin{cases} x_{k+1} &= A x_k + B u_k + G w_k \\ y_k &= C x_k + v_k, \end{cases}$$

where $x_0 \sim \mathcal{N}(\bar{x}_0, P_0)$, $w_k \sim \mathcal{N}(0, Q)$, $v_k \sim \mathcal{N}(0, R)$.

Measurements: $Z^k := (y_k^T, \dots, y_0^T)$.

Goal: compute $\hat{x}_{k|k} := \mathbf{E}\{x_k | Z^k\}$ and $\hat{x}_{k+1|k} := \mathbf{E}\{x_{k+1} | Z^k\}$ recursively.

$$\hat{x}_{k|k-1} := A\hat{x}_{k-1|k-1} + Bu_k, \quad \hat{x}_{0|-1} := \bar{x}_0 \quad (\text{prediction equation})$$

$$\hat{x}_{k|k} := \hat{x}_{k|k-1} + K_k^f (y_k - C\hat{x}_{k|k-1}) \quad (\text{update equation})$$

$$K_k^f := P_{k|k-1} C^T (C P_{k|k-1} C^T + R)^{-1} \quad (\text{Kalman gain equation})$$

$$P_{k|k-1} := A P_{k-1|k-1} A^T + Q, \quad P_{0|-1} := P_0 \quad (\text{prediction MSE equation})$$

$$P_{k|k} := P_{k|k-1} - K_k^f C P_{k|k-1} \quad (\text{MSE equation})$$

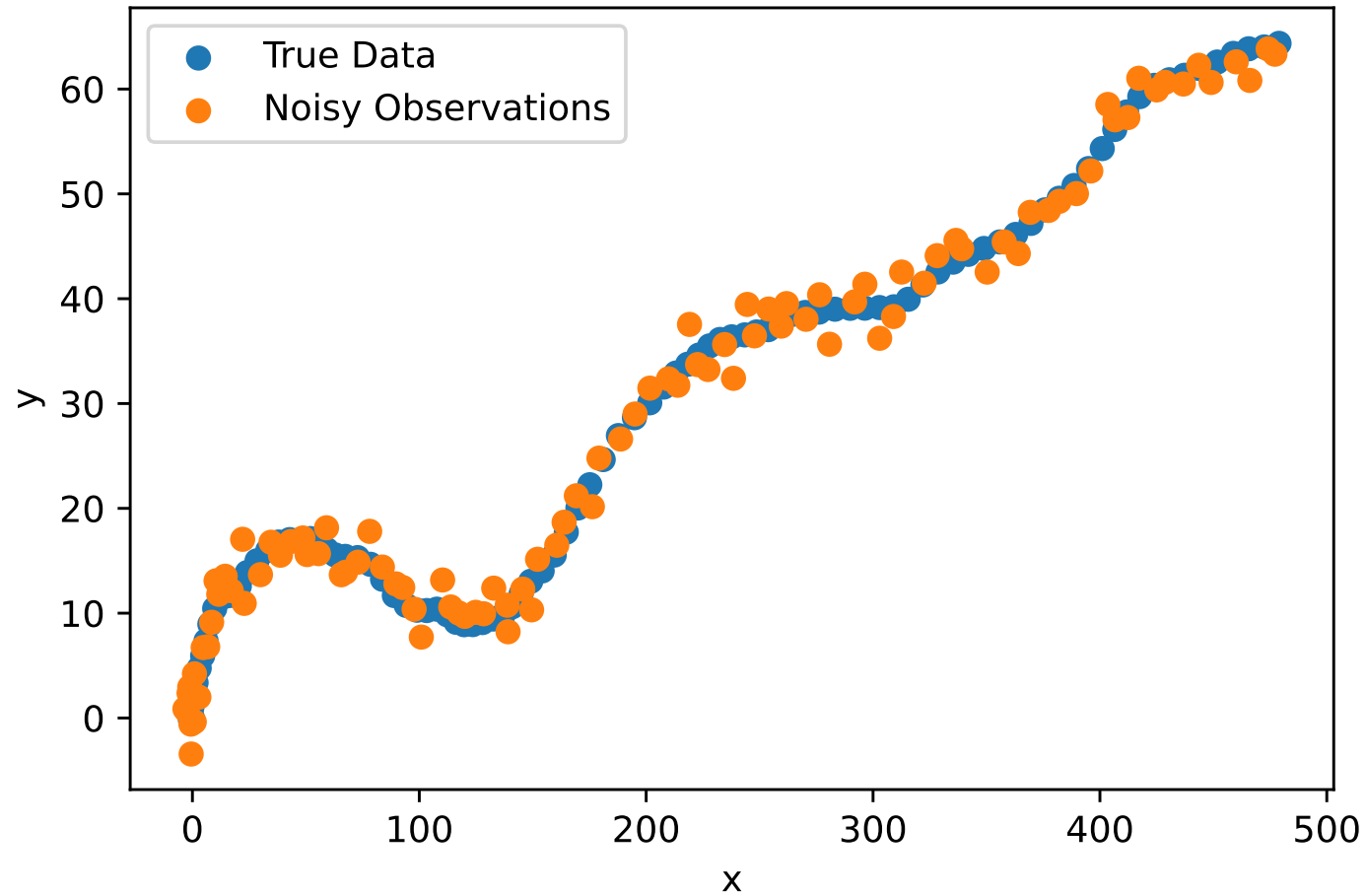
$$\text{Gauss-Markov model}$$

$$x_{k+1} = Ax_k + Bu_k + Gw_k$$

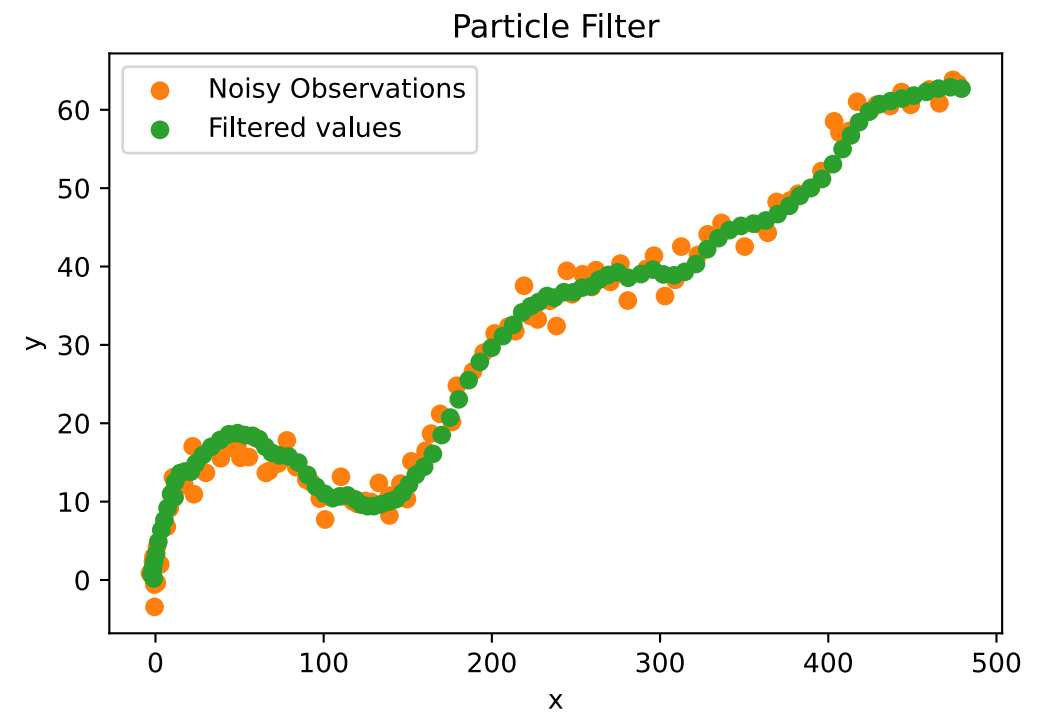
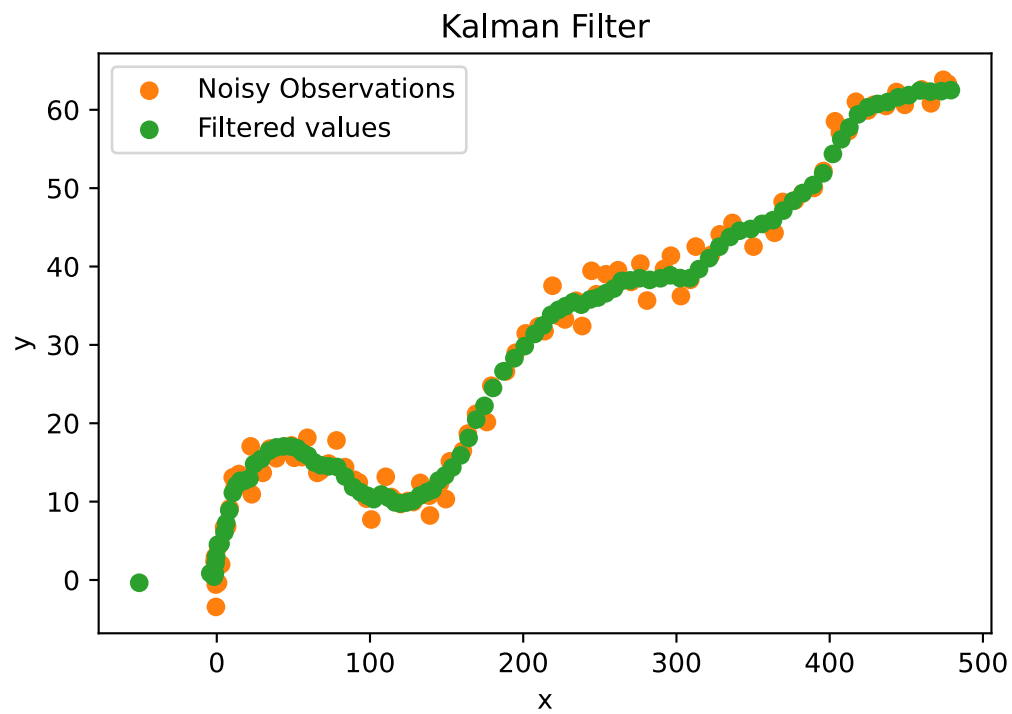
Particle Filter

- Algorithm 40 (Classical SMC)**
1. Generate n samples $x_0^i \sim f(x_0)$. Set $t=0$.
 2. **Prediction:** Generate the prediction set using: $\tilde{x}_{t+1}^i \sim f(x_{t+1}|x_t^i)$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.
 3. **Update:** Compute the weights $w_{t+1}^i = f(y_{t+1}|\tilde{x}_{t+1}^i)$, and normalize them using $\tilde{w}_{t+1}^i = \frac{w_{t+1}^i}{\sum_{j=1}^n w_{t+1}^j}$.
 - (a) Estimate θ_{t+1} using $\hat{\theta}_{t+1} = \sum_{i=1}^n g(\tilde{x}_{t+1}^i) \tilde{w}_{t+1}^i$.
 - (b) Resample from the set $\{\tilde{x}_{t+1}^1, \tilde{x}_{t+1}^2, \dots, \tilde{x}_{t+1}^n\}$ with probabilities $\{\tilde{w}_{t+1}^1, \tilde{w}_{t+1}^2, \dots, \tilde{w}_{t+1}^n\}$, n times to obtain the samples x_{t+1}^i , $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.
 4. Set $t = t + 1$, and return to Step 2.

True Positions vs. Noisy Observations

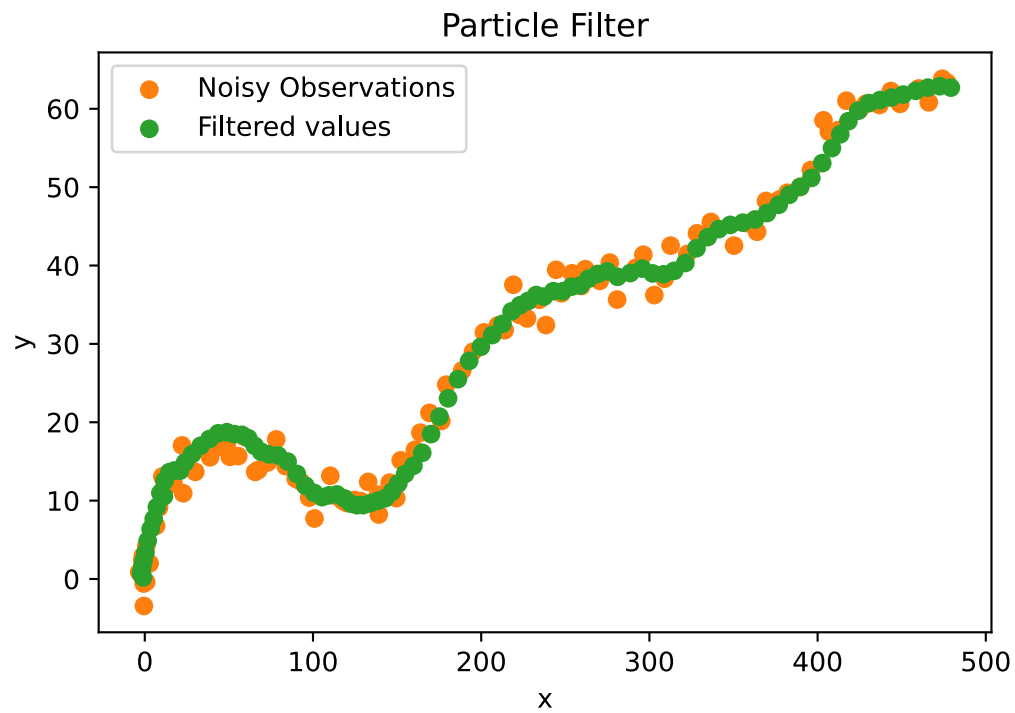


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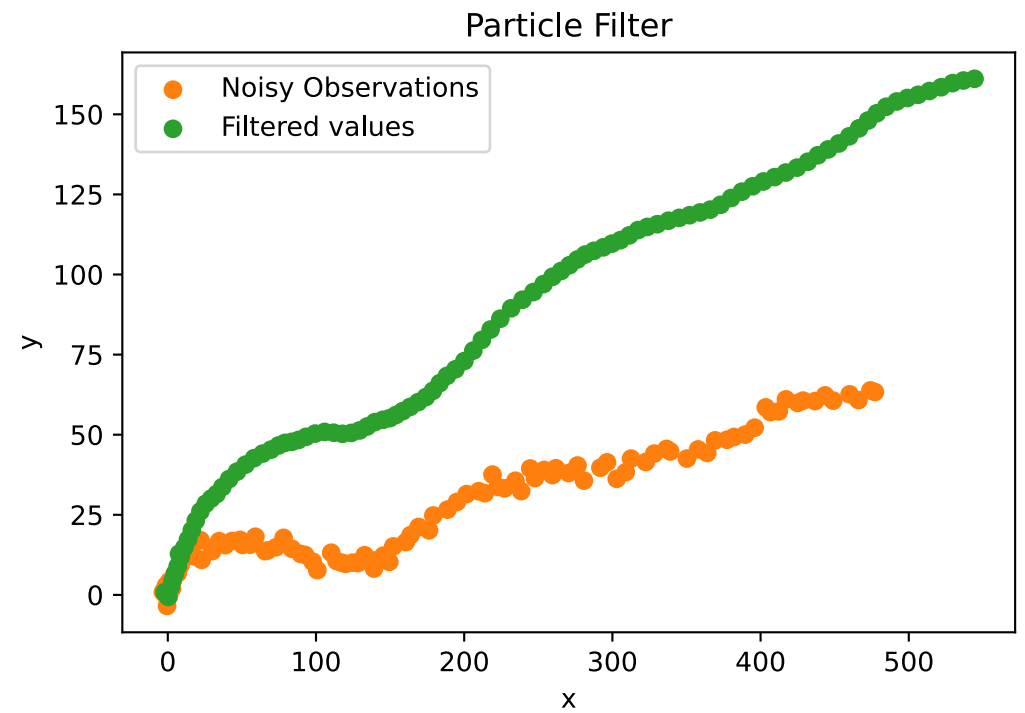


Stochastic Filtering: Yes, but...

Run 1



Run 2



Randomness issues \Rightarrow Repeat your experiments to draw consistent and relevant conclusions

Practical details

- Groups of two students
 - Register on Moodle before Friday 17th March
- Two parts
 - Part 1: end of week 10
 - Part 2: end of week 13
- Permanence
 - From week 7 to week 13
 - Tuesday 3-4 pm @Euler building (room A.010) with Philémon Beghin (rather for part 2)
 - Friday 2-3 pm @Teams with Jehum Cho (rather for part 1)
 - Mail to philemon.beghin@uclouvain.be or jehum.cho@uclouvain.be

Last advice: Don't wait for the last moment

Random MAP Student

During the semester (MAP Banquet ?)



At the end of the semester

