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1.1 INTRODUCTION

Sequential Monte Carlo (smc) methods are a class of sampling algorithms that combine importance sampling and resampling. They have been primarily used as "particle filters" to solve optimal filtering problems; see, for example, Cappé, Godsill, and Moulines (2007) and Doucet and Johansen (2011) for recent reviews. They are also used in a static setting where a target distribution is of interest, for example, for the purpose of Bayesian modeling. This was proposed by Del Moral, Doucet, and Jasra (2006b) and developed by Peters (2005) and Del Moral, Doucet, and Jasra (2006a). This framework involves the construction of a sequence of artificial distributions on spaces of increasing dimensions which admit the distributions of interest as particular marginals.

SMC algorithms are perceived as being difficult to implement while general tools were not available until the development of Johansen (2009), which provided a general framework for implementing SMC algorithms. SMC algorithms admit natural and scalable parallelization. However, there are only parallel implementations of SMC algorithms for many problem specific applications, usually associated with specific SMC related researches. Lee et al. (2010) studied the parallelization of SMC algorithms on GPUs with some generality. There are few general tools to implement SMC algorithms on parallel hardware though multicore CPUs are very common today and computing on specialized hardware such as GPUs are more and more popular.

The purpose of the current work is to provide a general framework for implementing SMC algorithms on both sequential and parallel hardware. There are two main goals of the presented framework. The first is reusability. It will be demonstrated that the same implementation source code can be used to build a serialized sampler, or using different programming models (for example, OpenMP and Intel Threading Building Blocks) to build parallelized samplers for multicore CPUs. The second is extensibility. It is possible to write a backend for vSMC to use new parallel programming models while reusing existing implementations. It is also possible to enhance the library to improve performance for specific applications. Almost all components of the library can be reimplemented by users and thus if the default implementation is not suitable for a specific application, they can be replaced while being integrated with other components seamlessly.

1.2 SEQUENTIAL IMPORTANCE SAMPLING AND RESAMPLING

Importance sampling is a technique which allows the calculation of the expectation of a function φ with respect to a distribution π using samples from some other distribution η with respect to which π is absolutely

continuous, based on the identity,

$$\mathbb{E}_{\pi}[\varphi(X)] = \int \varphi(x)\pi(x) \, \mathrm{d}x = \int \frac{\varphi(x)\pi(x)}{\eta(x)} \eta(x) \, \mathrm{d}x = \mathbb{E}_{\eta}\left[\frac{\varphi(X)\pi(X)}{\eta(X)}\right] \tag{1.1}$$

And thus, let $\{X^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$ be samples from η , then $\mathbb{E}_{\pi}[\varphi(X)]$ can be approximated by

$$\hat{\varphi}_1 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{\varphi(X^{(i)})\pi(X^{(i)})}{\eta(X^{(i)})}$$
(1.2)

In practice π and η are often only known up to some normalizing constants, which can be estimated using the same samples. Let $w^{(i)} = \pi(X^{(i)})/\eta(X^{(i)})$, then we have

$$\hat{\varphi}_2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N w^{(i)} \varphi(X^{(i)})}{\sum_{i=1}^N w^{(i)}}$$
(1.3)

or

$$\hat{\varphi}_3 = \sum_{i=1}^N W^{(i)} \varphi(X^{(i)}) \tag{1.4}$$

where $W^{(i)} \propto w^{(i)}$ and are normalized such that $\sum_{i=1}^{N} W^{(i)} = 1$.

Sequential importance sampling (sis) generalizes the importance sampling technique for a sequence of distributions $\{\pi_t\}_{t\geq 0}$ defined on spaces $\{\prod_{k=0}^t E_k\}_{t\geq 0}$. At time t=0, sample $\{X_0^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$ from η_0 and compute the weights $W_0^{(i)} \propto \pi_0(X_0^{(i)})/\eta_0(X_0^{(i)})$. At time $t\geq 1$, each sample $X_{0:t-1}^{(i)}$, usually termed particles in the literature, is extended to $X_{0:t}^{(i)}$ by a proposal distribution $q_t(\cdot|X_{0:t-1}^{(i)})$. And the weights are recalculated by $W_t^{(i)} \propto \pi_t(X_{0:t}^{(i)})/\eta_t(X_{0:t}^{(i)})$ where

$$\eta_t(X_{0:t}^{(i)}) = \eta_{t-1}(X_{0:t-1}^{(i)})q_t(X_{0:t}^{(i)}|X_{0:t-1}^{(i)})$$
(1.5)

and thus

$$W_{t}^{(i)} \propto \frac{\pi_{t}(X_{0:t}^{(i)})}{\eta_{t}(X_{0:t}^{(i)})} = \frac{\pi_{t}(X_{0:t}^{(i)})\pi_{t-1}(X_{0:t-1}^{(i)})}{\eta_{t-1}(X_{0:t-1}^{(i)})q_{t}(X_{0:t}^{(i)}|X_{0:t-1}^{(i)})\pi_{t-1}(X_{0:t-1}^{(i)})}$$

$$= \frac{\pi_{t}(X_{0:t}^{(i)})}{q_{t}(X_{0:t}^{(i)}|X_{0:t-1}^{(i)})\pi_{t-1}(X_{0:t-1}^{(i)})}W_{t-1}^{(i)}$$

$$(1.6)$$

and importance sampling estimate of $\mathbb{E}_{\pi_t}[\varphi_t(X_{0:t})]$ can be obtained using $\{W_t^{(i)}, X_{0:t}^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$.

However this approach fails as t becomes large. The weights tend to become concentrated on a few particles as the discrepancy between η_t and π_t becomes larger. Resampling techniques are applied such that, a new particle system $\{\bar{W}_t^{(i)}, \bar{X}_{0:t}^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^M$ is obtained with the property,

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i=1}^{M} \bar{W}_{t}^{(i)} \varphi_{t}(\bar{X}_{0:t}^{(i)})\right] = \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i=1}^{N} W_{t}^{(i)} \varphi_{t}(X_{0:t}^{(i)})\right]$$
(1.7)

In practice, the resampling algorithm is usually chosen such that M = N and $\bar{W}^{(i)} = 1/N$ for i = 1, ..., N. Resampling can be performed at each time t or adaptively based on some criteria of the discrepancy. One popular quantity used to monitor the discrepancy is *effective sample size* (ESS), introduced by Liu and Chen (1998), defined as

$$\mathrm{Ess}_t = \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^{N} (W_t^{(i)})^2} \tag{1.8}$$

where $\{W_t^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$ are the normalized weights. And resampling can be performed when ESS $\leq \alpha N$ where $\alpha \in [0,1]$.

The common practice of resampling is to replicate particles with large weights and discard those with small weights. In other words, instead of generating a random sample $\{\bar{X}_{0:t}^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^{N}$ directly, a random sample of integers $\{R^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^{N}$ is generated, such that $R^{(i)} \geq 0$ for $i=1,\ldots,N$ and $\sum_{i=1}^{N}R^{(i)}=N$. And each particle value $X_{0:t}^{(i)}$ is replicated for $R^{(i)}$ times in the new particle system. The distribution of $\{R^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^{N}$ shall fulfill the requirement of Equation (1.7). One such distribution is a multinomial distribution of size N and weights $(W_t^{(i)},\ldots,W_t^{(N)})$. See Douc, Cappé, and Moulines (2005) for some commonly used resampling algorithms.

1.3 SMC SAMPLERS

smc samplers allow us to obtain, iteratively, collections of weighted samples from a sequence of distributions $\{\pi_t\}_{t\geq 0}$ over essentially any random variables on some spaces $\{E_t\}_{t\geq 0}$, by constructing a sequence of auxiliary distributions $\{\tilde{\pi}_t\}_{t\geq 0}$ on spaces of increasing dimensions, $\tilde{\pi}_t(x_{0:t}) = \pi_t(x_t) \prod_{s=0}^{t-1} L_s(x_{s+1}, x_s)$, where the sequence of Markov kernels $\{L_s\}_{s=0}^{t-1}$, termed backward kernels, is formally arbitrary but critically influences the estimator variance. See Del Moral, Doucet, and Jasra (2006b) for further details and guidance on the selection of these kernels.

Standard sequential importance sampling and resampling algorithms can then be applied to the sequence of synthetic distributions, $\{\tilde{\pi}_t\}_{t\geq 0}$. At time t-1, assume that a set of weighted particles $\{W_{t-1}^{(i)}, X_{0:t-1}^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$ approximating $\tilde{\pi}_{t-1}$ is available, then at time t, the path of each particle is extended with a Markov kernel say, $K_t(x_{t-1}, x_t)$ and the set of particles $\{X_{0:t}^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$ reach the distribution $\eta_t(X_{0:t}^{(i)}) = \eta_0(X_0^{(i)}) \prod_{k=1}^t K_t(X_{t-1}^{(i)}, X_t^{(i)})$, where η_0 is the initial distribution of the particles. To correct the discrepancy between η_t and $\tilde{\pi}_t$, Equation (1.6) is applied and in this case,

$$W_t^{(i)} \propto \frac{\tilde{\pi}_t(X_{0:t}^{(i)})}{\eta_t(X_{0:t}^{(i)})} = \frac{\pi_t(X_t^{(i)}) \prod_{s=0}^{t-1} L_s(X_{s+1}^{(i)}, X_s^{(i)})}{\eta_0(X_0^{(i)}) \prod_{k=1}^t K_t(X_{t-1}^{(i)}, X_t^{(i)})} \propto \tilde{w}_t(X_{t-1}^{(i)}, X_t^{(i)}) W_{t-1}^{(i)}$$

$$(1.9)$$

where \tilde{w}_t , termed the *incremental weights*, are calculated as,

$$\tilde{w}_{t}(X_{t-1}^{(i)}, X_{t}^{(i)}) = \frac{\pi_{t}(X_{t}^{(i)})L_{t-1}(X_{t}^{(i)}, X_{t-1}^{(i)})}{\pi_{t-1}(X_{t-1}^{(i)})K_{t}(X_{t-1}^{(i)}, X_{t}^{(i)})}$$
(1.10)

If π_t is only known up to a normalizing constant, say $\pi_t(x_t) = \gamma_t(x_t)/Z_t$, then we can use the *unnormalized* incremental weights

$$w_{t}(X_{t-1}^{(i)}, X_{t}^{(i)}) = \frac{\gamma_{t}(X_{t}^{(i)})L_{t-1}(X_{t}^{(i)}, X_{t-1}^{(i)})}{\gamma_{t-1}(X_{t-1}^{(i)})K_{t}(X_{t-1}^{(i)}, X_{t}^{(i)})}$$
(1.11)

for importance sampling. Further, with the previously *normalized* weights $\{W_{t-1}^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^{N}$, we can estimate the ratio of normalizing constant Z_t/Z_{t-1} by

$$\frac{\hat{Z}_t}{Z_{t-1}} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} W_{t-1}^{(i)} w_t(X_{t-1}^{(i)}, X_t^{(i)})$$
(1.12)

Sequentially, the normalizing constant between initial distribution π_0 and some target π_T , $T \ge 1$ can be estimated. See Del Moral, Doucet, and Jasra (2006b) for details on calculating the incremental weights. In practice, when K_t is invariant to π_t , and an approximated suboptimal backward kernel

$$L_{t-1}(x_t, x_{t-1}) = \frac{\pi(x_{t-1})K_t(x_{t-1}, x_t)}{\pi_t(x_t)}$$
(1.13)

is used, the unnormalized incremental weights will be

$$w_t(X_{t-1}^{(i)}, X_t^{(i)}) = \frac{\gamma_t(X_{t-1}^{(i)})}{\gamma_{t-1}(X_{t-1}^{(i)})}.$$
(1.14)

1.4 RELATED ALGORITHMS

Some other commonly used sequential Monte Carlo algorithms can be viewed as special cases of algorithms introduced above. The annealed importance sampling (AIS; Neal (2001)) can be viewed as SMC samplers without resampling. Particle filters as seen in the physics and signal processing literature, can also be interpreted as the sequential importance sampling and resampling algorithms. See Doucet and Johansen (2011) for a review of this topic.

2.1 CONVENTIONS

All classes that are accessible to users are within the name space vsmc. Class names are in CamelCase and function names and class members are in small_cases. In the remaining of this guide, we will omit the vsmc:: name space qualifiers. We will use "function" for referring to name space scope functions and "method" for class member functions.

2.2 GETTING AND INSTALLING THE LIBRARY

The library is hosted at GitHub¹. This is a header only C++ template library. To install the library just move the contents of the include directory into a proper place, e.g., /usr/local/include on Unix-alike systems. This library requires working C++11, BLAS and LAPACK implementations. Standard C interface headers for the later two (cblas.h and lapacke.h) are required. Intel Threading Building Blocks² (TBB), Intel Math Kernel Library³ (MKL) and HDF5⁴ are optional third-party libraries. One need to define the configuration macros VSMC_HAS_TBB, VSMC_HAS_MKL and VSMC_HAS_HDF5, respectively, to nonzero values before including any vSMC headers to make their existence known to the library.

2.3 CONCEPTS

The library is structured around a few core concepts. A sampler is responsible for running an algorithm. It contains a particle system and operations on it. A particle system is formed by the states $\{X^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$ and weights $\{W^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$. This system will also be responsible for resampling. All user defined operations are to be applied to the whole system. These are "initialization" and "moves" which are applied before resampling, and "MCMC" moves which are applied after resampling. These operations do not have to be MCMC kernels. They can be used for any purpose that suits the particular algorithm. Most statistical inferences requires calculation of $\sum_{i=1}^N W^{(i)} \varphi(X^{(i)})$ for some function φ . This can be carried out along each sampler iteration by a monitor. Table 2.1 lists these concepts and the corresponding types in the library. Each of them are introduced in detail in the following sections.

https://github.com/zhouyan/vSMC

²https://www.threadingbuildingblocks.org

³https://software.intel.com/en-us/intel-mkl

⁴http://www.hdfgroup.org

Concept	Туре
State, $\{X^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^{N}$	T, user defined
Weight, $\{W^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^{N}$	Weight
Particle, $\{W^{(i)}, X^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^{N}$	Particle <t></t>
Single particle, $\{W^{(i)}, X^{(i)}\}$	SingleParticle <t></t>
Sampler	Sampler <t></t>
Initialization	Sampler <t>::init_type, user defined</t>
Move	Sampler <t>::move_type, user defined</t>
MCMC	Sampler <t>::mcmc_type, user defined</t>
Monitor	Monitor <t></t>

Table 2.1 Core concepts of the library

2.3.1 *State*

The library gives users the maximum flexibility of how the states $\{X^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$ shall be stored and structured. Any class type with a constructor that takes a single integer value, the number of particles, as its argument, and a method named copy is acceptable. For example,

```
1 class T
2 {
       public:
3
       T(std::size_t N);
4
       template <typename IntType>
5
       void copy(std::size_t N, IntType *index)
6
7
           for (std::size_t i = 0; i != N; ++i) {
8
               // Let a_i = index[i], set X^{(i)} = X^{(a_i)}
9
           }
       }
11
12 };
```

How the state values are actually stored and accessed are entirely up to the user. The method copy is necessary since the library assumes no knowledge of the internal structure of the state. And thus it cannot perform the last step of a resampling algorithm, which makes copies of particles with larger weights and eliminate those with smaller weights.

The StateMatrix class template

For most applications, the values can be stored within an N by d matrix, where d is the dimension of the state. The library provides a convenient class template for this situation,

```
1 template <MatrixLayout Layout, std::size_t Dim, typename T>
2 class StateMatrix;
```

where Layout is either RowMajor or ColMajor, which specifies the matrix storage layout; Dim is a non-negative integer value. If Dim is zero, then the dimension may be changed at runtime. If it is positive, then the dimension is fixed and cannot be changed at runtime. The last template parameter T is the C++ type of state space. The following constructs an object of this class,

```
1 StateMatrix<ColMajor, Dynamic, double> s(N);
```

where Dynamic is just an enumerator with value zero. We can specify the dimension at runtime through the method s.resize_dim(d). Note that, if the template parameter Dim is positive, then this call results in a compile-time error.

To access X_{ij} , the value of the state of the $i^{\rm th}$ particle at the $j^{\rm th}$ coordinate, one can use the method s.state(i,j). The method s.data() returns a pointer to the beginning of the matrix. If Layout is RowMajor, then the method s.row_data(i) returns a pointer to the beginning of the $i^{\rm th}$ row. If Layout is ColMajor, then the method s.col_data(j) returns a pointer to the beginning of the $j^{\rm th}$ column. These methods help interfacing with numerical libraries, such as BLAS.

Apart from resize_dim, the matrix can also be resized by the sample size or both. s.resize(N, dim) is the most general form. Let n be the minimum of the original and new sample sizes, and d be the minimum of the original and new dimensions. The n by d matrix at the upper left corner of the original matrix is preserved. If the matrix is enlarged in either direction, new values will be inserted and default initialized. Note that, if the template parameter Dim is positive, then this call results in a compile-time error. The method call s.resize(N) is equivalent to s.resize(N, s.dim()) except that it never generate a compile-time error. For more sophisticated resizing, use the copy method, which will create a new set of states according to the index vector.

Choice between matrix storage layout If one needs to access the matrix frequently row by row or column by column, then the choice of the first template parameter Layout is obvious. The copy method, which is used by resampling algorithms, is more efficient with RowMajor. The difference is more significant with large sample size, high dimension or both. The performance of resizing, either explicitly or implicitly through copy, depends on both the matrix storage layout, the new sample size and dimension. If the dimension does not change, it is more efficient to use RowMajor. If the sample size does not change, it is more efficient to use the ColMajor. If both of them are changed, then the performance depends on the original and new sizes.

2.3.2 Weight

The vector of weights $\{W^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$ is abstracted in the library by the Weight class. The following constructs an object of this class,

```
1 Weight w(N);
```

There are a few methods for accessing the weights,

The weights can be manipulated, given a vector of length N, say v,

The method w.data() returns a pointer to the normalized weights. It is important to note that the weights are always normalized and all mutable methods only allow access to $\{W^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^{N}$ as a whole.

2.3.3 Particle

A particle system is composed of both the state values, which is of user defined type, say T, and the weights. The following constructs an object of class Particle<T>,

```
1 Particle<T> particle(N);
```

The method particle.value() returns the type T object. The object containing the weights is returned by particle.weight(). Its type is Particle<T>::weight_type, whose definition depends on the type T. See section 3.2 for more details. If the user does not do something special as shown in that section, then the default type is Weight. They are constructed with the same integer value N when the above constructor is invoked.

For Monte Carlo algorithm, random number generators (RNG) will be used frequently. The user is free to use whatever RNG mechanism as they see fit. However, one common issue encountered in practice is how to maintain independence of the RNG streams between function calls. For example, consider below a function that manipulates some state values,

```
void function(double &x)
{
std::mt19937 rng;
```

```
4 std::normal_distribution<double> rnorm(0, 1);
5 x = rnorm(rng);
6 }
```

Every call of this function will give x exactly the same value. This is hardly what the user intended. One might consider an global RNG or one as class member data. For example,

```
1 std::mt19937 rng;
2 void function(double &x)
3 {
4    std::normal_distribution<double> rnorm(0, 1);
5    x = rnorm(rng);
6 }
```

This will work fine as long as the function is never called by two threads at the same time. However, SMC algorithms are natural candidates to parallelization. Therefore, the user will need to either lock the RNG, which degenerates the performance, or construct different RNGs for different threads. The later, though ensures thread-safety, has other issues. For example, consider

```
1 std::mt19937 rng1(s1); // For thread i_1 with seed s_1 2 std::mt19937 rng2(s2); // For thread i_2 with seed s_2
```

where the seeds $s_1 \neq s_2$. It is difficult to ensure that the two streams generated by the two RNGs are independent. Common practice for parallel RNG is to use sub-streams or leap-frog algorithms. Without going into any further details, it is sufficient to say that this is perhaps not a problem that most users bother to solve.

The library provides a simple solution to this issue. The method particle.rng(i) returns a reference to an RNG that conforms to the C++11 uniform RNG concept. It can be called from different threads at the same time, for example,

```
1 auto &rng1 = particle.rng(i1); // Called from thread i_1
2 auto &rng2 = particle.rng(i2); // Called from thread i_2
```

If $i_1 \neq i_2$, then the subsequent use of the two RNGs are guaranteed to be thread-safe. In addition, they will produce independent streams. If TBB is available to the library, then it is also thread-safe even if $i_1 = i_2$. One can write functions that process each particle, for example,

```
1 void function(std::size_t i)
2 {
3     auto &rng = particle.rng(i);
4     // Process the particle i using rng
5 }
```

And if later this function is called from a parallelized environment, it is still thread-safe and produce desired statistical results. The details of the RNG system are documented later in chapter 7.

Resize the particle system

The particle system can be resized. However, the library does not provide a simple resize method that works the same way as std::vector, etc. When a particle system is resized, it is often done through some deterministic or stochastic algorithms. At least some particles will be preserved and possibly replicated. The Particle<T> class has a few methods for resizing using different user input to determine the particles to be preserved. All these methods use T::copy to resize the state vector. Therefore, if any of them need to be used, the method call copy(N, index) need to be able to handle the situation where its first argument has a value other than its original size. After the resizing, the weights are set to be equal.

Resize by selecting according to a user supplied index vector

```
1 template <typename InputIter>
2 void resize_by_index(size_type N, InputIter index);
```

The input iterator index shall point to a length N vector. Each element is the parent index of the corresponding new particle. The new system is formed by $\bar{X}^{(i)} = X^{(a_i)}$ where a_i is the i^{th} element of the index vector.

Resize by selecting according to a user supplied mask vector

```
1 template <typename InputIter>
2 void resize_by_mask(size_type N, InputIter mask);
```

The input iterator mask shall point to a length n vector, where n is the original sample size. For each element, when converted to bool, if it is true, then the corresponding particle is preserved. Otherwise it is discarded. If there are more than N particles to be preserved, then only the first N particles are copied into the new system. If there are less than N particles to be preserved, then the vector of these particles are copied repeatedly until there are enough particles to fill the new system.

Resize by resampling

```
1 template <typename ResampleType>
2 void resize_by_resample(size_type N, ResampleType &&op);
```

The details of the resampling operation function object is discussed in chapter 6. For now, it is sufficient to say that, to use any of the builtin schemes, one can call the method like the following,

```
1 particle.resize_by_resample(N, ResampleMultinomial());
```

This method produce a new particle system by using the specified resampling algorithm. Note that, this is different from resampling a particle system in that, all operations are local. That is, if the particle is in a distributed system, only local weights are used, and re-normalized.

Resize by uniformly selecting from all particles

```
1 void resize_by_uniform(size_type N);
  This is equivalent to,
1 particle.weight().set_equal();
2 particle.resize_by_resample(N, ResampleMultinomial());
  Resize by selecting a range of particles
1 void resize_by_range(size_type N, size_type first, size_type last);
```

This is the most destructive resizing method. Let n = last - first. If n < N, the particles in the range [first, last) are copied repeatedly until there are enough particles to fill the new system. Otherwise only the first N particles are copied. If last is omitted, then it is set to size(). If first is also omitted, then it is set to zero. Use this method only when the statistical properties of the new system is irrelevant. If one want to avoid the copying altogether, it might be more efficient to simply create a new system with the desired size. This method is a no-op if N is the same as the original size.

2.3.4 Single particle

It is often easier to define a function $f(X^{(i)})$ than $f(X^{(1)}, \ldots, X^{(N)})$. However, Particle<T> only provides access to $\{X^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$ as a whole through particle.value(). To allow direct access to $X^{(i)}$, the library uses a class SingeParticle<T>. An object of this class is constructed from the index i of the particle, and a pointer to the particle system it belongs to,

```
1 SingleParticle<T> sp(i, &particle);
  or more conveniently,

1 auto sp = particle.sp(i);
  In its most basic form, it has the following methods,

1 sp.id();  // Get the value i that sp was constructed with

2 sp.particle(); // Get a reference to the Particle<T> object sp belongs to

3 sp.rng();  // => sp.particle().rng(sp.id());
```

If T is a derived class of StateMatrix, then it has two additional methods,

```
1 sp.dim();  // => sp.particle().value().dim();
2 sp.state(j); // => sp.particle().value().state(sp.id(), j);
```

It is clear now that the interface of SingleParticle<T> depends on the type T. Later in section 3.3 we will show how to insert additional methods into this class.

A SingleParticle<T> object is similar to an iterator. In fact, it supports almost all of the operations of a random access iterator with two exceptions. First dereferencing a SingleParticle<T> object returns itself. The support of operator* allows the range-based for loop to be applied on a Particle<T> object, for example,

The above range-based loop does make some sense. However trying to dereferencing a SingleParticle<T> object in other contexts does not make much sense. Recall that it is an *index*, not a *pointer*. The library does not require the user defined type T to provide access to individual values, and thus it cannot dereference a SingleParticle<T> object to obtain such a value. Similarly, the expression sp[n] returns sp + n, another SingleParticle<T> object. For the same reason, operator-> is not supported at all.

2.3.5 Sampler

A sampler can be constructed in a few ways,

```
1 Sampler<T> sampler(N);
```

constructs a sampler that is never resampled, while

```
1 Sampler<T> sampler(N, Multinomial);
```

constructs a sampler that is resampled every iteration, using the Multinomial algorithm. Other resampling schemes are also implemented, see chapter 6. Last, one can also construct a sampler that is only resampled when ESS $< \alpha N$, where $\alpha \in [0, 1]$, by the following,

```
1 Sampler<T> sampler(N, Multinomial, alpha);
```

If $\alpha > 1$, then it has the same effect as the first constructor, since ESS $\leq N$. If $\alpha < 0$, then it has the same effect as the second constructor, since ESS > 0.

In summary, if one does not tell the constructor which resampling scheme to use, then it is assumed one does not want to do resampling. If one specify the resampling scheme without a threshold for ESS, then it is assumed it need to be done at every step.

The method sampler.particle() returns a reference to the particle system. It is safe to resize a Particle<T> object contained within a Sampler<T> object. The method sampler.size() is only a shortcut to sampler.particle().size().

A sampler can be initialized by user defined function objects that are convertible to the following type,

```
1 using init_type = std::function<std::size_t(Particle<T> &, void *)>;
  For example,
1 auto init = [](Particle<T> &particle, void *param) {
2     // Process initialization parameter param
3     // Initialize the particle system particle
4 };
```

is a C++11 lambda expression that can be used for this purpose. One can add it to a sampler by calling sampler.init(init). Upon calling sampler.initialize(param), the user defined init will be called and the argument param will be passed to it.

Similarly, after initialization, at each iteration, the particle system can be manipulated by user defined function objects that are convertible to the following types,

```
1 using move_type = std::function<std::size_t(std::size_t, Particle<T> &)>;
```

Multiple moves can be added to a sampler. The call sampler.move(move, append) adds a move_type object to the sampler, where append is a boolean value. If it is false, it will clear any moves that were added before. If it is true, then move is appended to the end of an existing sequence of moves. Each move will be called one by one upon calling sampler.iterate(). A similar sequence of MCMC moves can also be added to a sampler. The call sampler.iterate() will call user defined moves first, then perform the possible resampling, and then the sequence of MCMC moves.

Note that the possible resampling will also be performed after the user defined initialization function is called by sampler.initialize(param). And after that, the sequence of MCMC moves will be called. If it desired not to perform mutations during initialization, then following can be used,

```
1 sampler.init(init).initialize(param);
2 sampler.move(move, false).mcmc(mcmc, false).iterate(n);
```

The above code also demonstrates that most methods of Sampler<T> return a reference to the sampler itself and thus method calls can be chained. In addition, method sampler.iterate(n) accepts an optional argument that specifies the number of iterations. It is a shortcut for

```
1 for (std::size_t i = 0; i != n; ++i)
2    sampler.iterate();
2.3.6    Monitor
```

Inferences using a SMC algorithm usually require the calculation of the quantity $\sum_{i=1}^{N} W^{(i)} \varphi(X^{(i)})$ at each iteration for some function φ . One can define function objects that are convertible to the following type,

```
using eval_type =
    std::function<void(std::size_t, std::size_t, Particle<T> &, double *);

For example,

void eval(std::size_t iter, std::size_t d, Particle<T> &particle, double *r)

for (std::size_t i = 0; i != particle.size(); ++i, r += dim) {
    auto sp = particle.sp(i);
    r[0] = /* φ<sub>1</sub>(X<sup>(i)</sup>) */;
    // ...
    r[d - 1] = /* φ<sub>d</sub>(X<sup>(i)</sup>) */;
}

}
```

The argument d is the dimension of the vector function φ . The output is an N by d matrix in row major layout, with each row corresponding to the value of $\varphi(X^{(i)})$. Then one can add this function to a sampler by calling,

```
1 sampler.monitor("name", d, eval);
```

where the first argument is the name for the monitor; the second is the dimension to be passed to the user defined function; and the third is the evaluation function. At each iteration, after all the initialization, possible resampling, moves and MCMC moves are done, the sampler will calculate $\sum_{i=1}^{N} W^{(i)} \varphi(X^{(i)})$. This method has two optional arguments. The first is a boolean value record_only. If it is true, it is assumed that no summation is needed. For example,

```
1 void eval(std::size_t iter, std::size_t d, Particle<T> &particle, double *r)
2 {
```

In this case, the monitor acts merely as a storage facility. The second optional argument is stage which specifies at which point the monitoring shall happen. It can be MonitorMove, which specifies that the monitoring happens right after the moves and before resampling. It can also be MonitorResample, which specifies that the monitoring happens right after the resampling and before the MCMC moves. Last, the default is MonitorMCMC, which specifies that the monitoring happens after everything.

The output of a sampler, together with the records of any monitors it has can be output in plain text forms through a C++ output stream. For example,

```
1 std::cout << sampler;</pre>
```

We will see how this works later with a concrete particle filter example. If the HDF5 library is available, it is also possible to write such output to HDF5 format, for example,

```
1 hdf5store(sampler, file_name, data_name);
```

Details can be found in section 8.3. More sophisticated methods for retrieving monitor records are defined by the Monitor<T> class. An object of this class can be retrieved by sampler.monitor("name"). See the reference manual for details.

2.4 A SIMPLE PARTICLE FILTER

2.4.1 Model and algorithm

This is an example used in Johansen (2009). Through this example, we will show how to re-implement a simple particle filter in vSMC. It shall walk one through the basic features of the library introduced above.

The state space model, known as the almost constant velocity model in the tracking literature, provides a simple scenario. The state vector X_t contains the position and velocity of an object moving in a plane. That is, $X_t = (X_{pos}^t, Y_{pos}^t, X_{vel}^t, Y_{vel}^t)^T$. Imperfect observations $Y_t = (X_{obs}^t, Y_{obs}^t)^T$ of the positions are possible at each time instance. The state and observation equations are linear with additive noises,

$$X_t = AX_{t-1} + V_t$$
$$Y_t = BX_t + \alpha W_t$$

where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \Delta & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \Delta \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \alpha = 0.1$$

```
Initialization  \text{Set } t \leftarrow 0. \\ \text{Sample } X_{\text{pos}}^{(0,i)}, Y_{\text{pos}}^{(0,i)} \sim \mathcal{N}(0,4) \text{ and } X_{\text{vel}}^{(0,i)}, Y_{\text{vel}}^{(0,i)} \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1). \\ \text{Weight } W_0^{(i)} \propto \exp{\ell(X_0^{(i)}|Y_0)} \text{ where } \ell \text{ is the log-likelihood function.} \\ \text{Iteration} \\ \text{Set } t \leftarrow t+1. \\ \text{Sample} \\ X_{\text{pos}}^{(t,i)} \sim \mathcal{N}(X_{\text{pos}}^{(t-1,i)} + \Delta X_{\text{vel}}^{(t-1,i)}, 0.02) \qquad X_{\text{vel}}^{(t,i)} \sim \mathcal{N}(X_{\text{vel}}^{(t-1,i)}, 0.001) \\ Y_{\text{pos}}^{(t,i)} \sim \mathcal{N}(Y_{\text{pos}}^{(t-1,i)} + \Delta Y_{\text{vel}}^{(t-1,i)}, 0.02) \qquad Y_{\text{vel}}^{(t,i)} \sim \mathcal{N}(Y_{\text{vel}}^{(t-1,i)}, 0.001) \\ \text{Weight } W_t^{(i)} \propto W_{t-1}^{(i)} \exp{\ell(X_t^{(i)}|Y_t)}. \\ \text{Repeat the Iteration } \text{step until all data are processed}. \\ \\ \end{aligned}
```

Algorithm 2.1 Particle filter algorithm for the almost constant velocity model.

and we assume that the elements of the noise vector V_t are independent Gaussian with variance 0.02 and 0.001 for position and velocity, respectively. The observation noise, W_t comprises independent, identically distributed t-distributed random variables with degree of freedom v=10. The prior at time 0 corresponds to an axis-aligned Gaussian with variance 4 for the position coordinates and 1 for the velocity coordinates. The particle filter algorithm is shown in algorithm 2.1.

2.4.2 Implementations

The complete program is shown in appendix C.1.1. In this section we show the outline of the implementation.

The main program

```
1 Sampler<PFState> sampler(N, Multinomial, 0.5);
2 sampler.init(PFInit()).move(PFMove(), false).monitor("pos", 2, PFEval());
3 sampler.initialize(const_cast<char *>("pf.data")).iterate(n - 1);
4 std::ofstream output("pf.out");
5 output << sampler;
6 output.close();</pre>
```

Sampler<PFState> object is constructed first. Then the initialization PFInit, move PFMove and a monitor PFEval that records X_{pos}^t and Y_{pos}^t are added to the sampler. The monitor is named "pos". Then it is initialized with the name of the data file "pf.data", and iterated n-1 times, where n is the number of data points. At last, the output is written into a text file "pf.out". Below is a short R^5 script that can be used to process the output

```
1 pf <- read.table("pf.out", header = TRUE)
2 print(pf[1:5,])</pre>
```

The print(pf[1:5,]) statement shows the first five lines of the output,

```
Size Resampled Accept.0
                                ESS
                                       pos.0
                                                pos.1
               1
1 1000
                             2.9204 -1.21951 3.16397
               1
2 1000
                         0 313.6830 -1.15602 3.22770
                         0 33.0421 -1.26451 3.04031
3 1000
               1
               1
                         0 80.1088 -1.45922 3.37625
4 1000
               1
                         0 382.8820 -1.47299 3.49230
5 1000
```

The column Size shows the sample size at each iteration. The column Resampled shows nonzero values if resampling were performed and zero otherwise. For each moves and MCMC steps, an acceptance count will be recorded. In this particular example, it is irrelevant. Next the column ESS shows the value of ESS before resampling. The last two columns show the importance sampling estimates of the positions recorded by the monitor named "pos". A graphical representation of the output is shown in figure 2.1.

Before diving into the details of the implementation of PFState, etc., we will first define a few constants and types. The state space is of dimension 4. And it is natural to use a StateMatrix as the base class of PFState,

```
1 using PFStateBase = StateMatrix<RowMajor, 4, double>;
```

We define the following constants as the indices of each state component.

```
1 static constexpr std::size_t PosX = 0;
2 static constexpr std::size_t PosY = 1;
3 static constexpr std::size_t VelX = 2;
4 static constexpr std::size_t VelY = 3;
```

⁵http://r-project.org

State: PFState

As noted earlier, StateMatrix will be used as the base class of PFState. Since the data will be shared by all particles, we also store the data within this class. And methods will be provided to read the data from an external file, and compute the log-likelihood $\ell(X^{(i)})$, which accesses the data. Below the declaration of the class PFState is shown,

```
1 class PFState : public PFStateBase
2 {
       public:
3
       using PFStateBase::PFStateBase;
4
      // Return \ell(X_t^{(i)}|Y_t)
5
      double log_likelihood(std::size_t t, size_type i) const;
6
      // Read data from an external file
7
      void read_data(const char *param);
8
9
       private:
      Vector<double> obs_x_;
10
      Vector<double> obs_y_;
11
12 };
```

Initialization: PFInit

The initialization step is implemented as below,

```
1 class PFInit
2 {
      public:
3
      std::size_t operator()(Particle<PFState> &particle, void *param)
      {
5
          eval_param(particle, param);
6
          eval_pre(particle);
7
          std::size_t acc = 0;
8
          for (auto sp : particle)
9
               acc += eval_sp(sp);
10
          eval_post(particle);
11
```

```
return acc;
12
       }
13
      void eval_param(Particle<PFState> &particle, void *param)
14
15
           particle.value().read_data(static_cast<const char *>(param));
16
       }
17
      void eval_pre(Particle<PFState> &particle)
18
       {
19
           weight_.resize(particle.size());
20
      }
21
      std::size_t eval_sp(SingleParticle<PFState> sp)
22
       {
23
           NormalDistribution<double> norm_pos(0, 2);
24
           NormalDistribution<double> norm_vel(0, 1);
25
           sp.state(PosX) = norm_pos(sp.rng());
26
           sp.state(PosY) = norm_pos(sp.rng());
27
           sp.state(VelX) = norm_vel(sp.rng());
28
           sp.state(VelY) = norm_vel(sp.rng());
29
           weight_[sp.id()] = sp.particle().value().log_likelihood(0, sp.id());
30
           return 0;
31
      }
32
      void eval_post(Particle<PFState> &particle)
33
       {
34
           particle.weight().set_log(weight_.data());
35
      }
36
       private:
37
      Vector<double> weight_;
38
39 };
```

An object of this class is convertible to Sampler<PFState>::init_type. In the main method, operator(), eval_param is called first to initialize the data. Then eval_pre is called to allocated any resource this class need before calling any eval_sp. In this case, it allocate the vector weight_ for storing weights computed

later. Next, the main loop initializes each state component with the respective Gaussian distribution, computes the log-likelihood and store them in the vector allocated in the last step. This is done by calling the eval_sp method. After all particles have been initialized, we set the weights of the system in eval_post. Later in section 2.5, it will become clear why we structured the implementation this way.

Move: PFMove

The move step is similar to the initialization. We show the declaration here,

```
class PFMove
public:
public:
std::size_t operator()(std::size_t t, Particle<PFState> &particle);
void eval_pre(std::size_t t, Particle<PFState> &particle);
std::size_t eval_sp(std::size_t t, SingleParticle<PFState> sp);
void eval_post(std::size_t t, Particle<PFState> &particle);

private:
private:
Vector<double> w_;
```

Monitor: PFEval

Last we define PFEval, which simply copies the values of the positions.

```
1 class PFEval
2 {
      public:
3
      void operator()(std::size_t t, std::size_t dim,
4
           Particle<PFState> &particle, double *r)
5
6
          eval pre(t, particle);
7
           for (std::size_t i = 0; i != particle.size(); ++i, r += dim)
8
               eval_sp(t, dim, particle.sp(i), r);
9
          eval_post(t, particle);
10
      }
11
      void eval pre(std::size t t, Particle<PFState> &particle) {}
12
```

2.5 SYMMETRIC MULTIPROCESSING

The above example is implemented in a sequential fashion. However, the loops inside PFInit, PFMove and PFEval clearly can be parallelized. The library provides basic support of multicore parallelization through its SMP module. Two widely used backends, OpenMP and TBB are available. Here we demonstrate how to use the TBB backend. First we will declare the implementation classes as derived classes,

```
1 class PFInit : public InitializationTBB<PFState>;
2 class PFMove : public MoveTBB<PFState>;
3 class PFEval : public MonitorEvalTBB<PFState>;
```

And remove operator() from their implementations. After these changes, the implementation will be parallelized using TBB. The complete program can be found in section The complete program is shown in appendix C.1.2.

It works as if InitializationTBB<PFState> has an implementation of operator() as we did before, except it is parallelized. Now it is clear that, method such as eval_pre and eval_post are called before and after the main loop. Method eval_sp is called within the loop and it need to be thread-safe if called with different arguments. This is the main reason we constructed the NormalDistribution objects within eval_sp instead of as member data, even though they are constructed in exactly the same way for each particle. This is because NormalDistribution::operator() is a mutable method and thus not thread-safe. If any of these member functions does not do anything, then it does not have to be defined in the derived class.

Apart from the three base classes we have shown here, there are also InitializationOMP, etc., for using the OpenMP backend. And InitializationSEQ, etc., for implementation without parallelization. The later works in exactly the same way as our implementation in the last section. It is often easier to debug a single-threaded program than a parallelized one. And thus one may develop the algorithm with the sequential backend and obtain optimal performance latter by only changing the name of a few base class names. This can usually be done automatically through a build system.

2.5.1 Performance consideration

The base classes dispatch calls to eval_pre, eval_sp, etc., through the virtual function mechanism. The performance impact is minimal for eval_pre and eval_post, since they are called only once in each iteration and we expect the computational cost will be dominated by eval_sp in most cases. However, the dynamic dispatch can cause considerable performance degenerating if the cost of a single call to eval_sp is small while the number of particles is large. Modern optimizing compilers can usually devirtualize the method calls in trivial situations. However, it is not always possible. In this situation, the library will need a little help from the user to make compile-time dispatch. For each implementation class, we will declare it in the following way,

```
1 class PFInit : public InitializationTBB<PFState, PFInit>;
2 class PFMove : public MoveTBB<PFState, PFMove>;
3 class PFEval : public MonitorEvalTBB<PFState, PFEval>;
```

The second template argument of the base class need to be exactly the same as the derived class. For interested users, this is called Curiously Recurring Template Pattern⁶ (CRTP). This usage of the library's base classes also provides other flexibility. The methods eval_pre etc., can be either const or mutable. They can also be static.

⁶https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Curiously_recurring_template_pattern

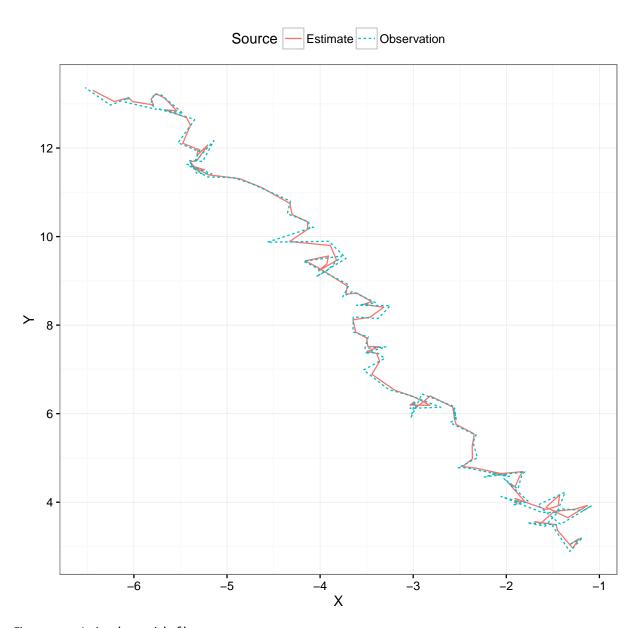


Figure 2.1 A simple particle filter

3.1 CLONING OBJECTS

The Sampler<T> and Particle<T> objects have copy constructors, assignment operators, move constructors, and move assignment operators that behave exactly the way as C++ programmers would expect. However, these behaviors are not always desired. For example, in Beskos et al. (2014) a stable particle filter in high-dimensions was developed. Without going into the details, the algorithm consists of a particle system where each particle is itself a particle filter. And thus when resampling the global system, the Sampler<T> object will be copied, together with all of its sub-objects. This include the RNG system within the Particle<T> object. Even if the user does not use this RNG system for random number generating within user defined operations, one of these RNG will be used for resampling by the Particle<T> object. Direct copying the Sampler<T> object will lead to multiple local filters start generating exactly the same random numbers in the next iteration. This is an undesired side effect. In this situation, one can clone the sampler with the following method,

```
1 auto new sampler = sampler.clone(new rng);
```

where new_rng is a boolean value. If it is true, then an exact copy of sampler will be returned, except it will have the RNG system re-seeded. If it is false, then the above assignemnt behaves exactly the same as

```
1 auto new_sampler = sampler;
```

Alternatively, the contents of an existing Sampler<T> object can be replaced from another one by the following method,

```
1 sampler.clone(other_sampler, retain_rng);
```

where retain_rng is a boolean value. If it is true, then the RNG system of other_sampler is not copied and the original is retained. If it is false, then the above call behaves exactly the same as

```
1 sampler = other_sampler;
```

The above method also supports move semantics. Similar clone methods exist for the Particle<T> class.

3.2 CUSTOMIZING MEMBER TYPES

The Particle<T> class has a few member types that can be replaced by the user. If the class T has the corresponding types, then the member type of Particle<T> will be replaced. For example, given the following declarations inside class T,

```
1 class T
2 {
3     public:
4     using size_type = int;
5     using weight_type = /* User defined type */;
6     using rng_set_type = RNGSetTBB<AES256_4x32>;
7 };
```

The corresponding Particle<T>::size_type, etc., will have their defaults replaced with the above types.

3.2.1 Replacing weight_type

The class for managing the weights needs to provide the following methods,

```
1 w.ess(); // Get ESS
2 w.set_equal(); // Set W^{(i)}=1/N
3 w.resample_size(); // Get the sample size N.
4 w.resample_data(); // Get a pointer to normalized weights
```

For the library's default class Weight, the last two calls are the same as w.size() and w.data(). However, this does not need to be so. For example, below is the outline of an implementation of weight_type for distributed systems, assuming there are R computing nodes and the node with rank r has been allocated N_r particles. Let $\{W_r^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^{N_r}$ denote the weights at the node with rank r.

```
1 class WeightMPI
2 {
       public:
3
       double ess()
4
5
            double local = /* \sum_{i=1}^{N_r} (W_r^{(i)})^2 */;
6
            double global = /* Gather Local from each all nodes */;
7
            // Broadcast the value of global
            return 1 / global;
9
10
       std::size_t size() \{ return /* N_r */; \}
11
       std::size_t resample_size() { return /* N = \sum_{r=1}^{R} N_r */; }
12
```

```
const double *data()
13
14
             return /* pointer to \{W_r^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^{N_r} */;
15
        }
16
        const double *resample data()
17
18
        {
             if (rank == 0) {
19
                  // Gather all normalized weights into a member data on this node
20
                  // Say resample weight
21
                  return resample_weight_.data();
22
             } else {
23
                  return nullptr;
24
             }
25
        }
26
        void set_equal()
27
28
             // Set all weights to 1/\sum_{r=1}^R N_r
29
             // Synchronization
30
31
        void set(const double *v)
32
33
            // Set W_r^{(i)} = v_i for i=1,\ldots,N_r // Compute S_r = \sum_{i=1}^{N_r} W_r^{(i)}
34
35
             // Gathering S_r, compute S = \sum S_r
36
             // Broadcast S
37
             // Set W_r^{(i)} = W_r^{(i)}/S for i = 1, ..., N_r
38
39
40 };
```

When Particle<T> performs resampling, it checks if the pointer returned by w.resample_data() is a null pointer. It will only generate the vector $\{a_i\}_{i=1}^N$ (see section 2.3.1) when it is not a null pointer, pass a pointer to this vector is passed to T::copy. Otherwise, a null pointer is passed to T::copy. Of course, the class T also needs to provide a suitable method copy that can handle the distributed system. By defining suitable WeightMPI and T::copy, the library can be extended to handle distributed systems.

3.3 EXTENDING SingleParticle<T>

The SingleParticle<T> can also be extended by the user. We have already seen in section 2.3.1 that if class T is a derived class of StateMatrix, SingleParticle<T> can have additional methods to access the state. This class can be extended by defining a member class template inside class T. For example, for the simple particle filter in section 2.4, we can redefine the PFState as the following,

```
1 using PFStateBase = StateMatrix<RowMajor, 4, double>;
2 template <typename T>
3 using PFStateSPBase = PFStateBase::single_particle_type<T>;
4 class PFState : public PFStateBase
5 {
       public:
7
       using PFStateBase::StateMatrix;
       template <typename S>
8
       class single_particle_type : public PFStateSPBase<S>
9
10
           public:
11
12
           using PFStateSPBase<S>::single_particle_type;
           double &pos_x() { return this->state(0); }
13
           double &pos_y() { return this->state(1); }
14
           double &vel_x() { return this->state(2); }
15
           double &vel_y() { return this->state(3); }
16
           // Return \ell(X_t^{(i)}|Y_t)
17
           double log likelihood(std::size t t);
18
       };
19
       void read_data(const char *param);
20
      private:
21
      Vector<double> obs x ;
22
      Vector<double> obs_y_;
23
24 };
```

And later, we can use these methods when implement PFInit etc.,

```
1 class PFInit : public InitializeTBB<PFState, PFInit>
2 {
      public:
3
      void eval_param(Particle<PFState> &particle, void *param);
      void eval_pre(Particle<PFState> &particle);
5
      std::size_t eval_sp(SingleParticle<PFState> sp)
6
7
           NormalDistribution<double> norm_pos(0, 2);
8
           NormalDistribution<double> norm vel(0, 1);
9
           sp.pos_x() = norm_pos(sp.rng());
10
           sp.pos_y() = norm_pos(sp.rng());
11
           sp.vel x() = norm vel(sp.rng());
12
           sp.vel y() = norm vel(sp.rng());
13
           w_[sp.id()] = sp.log_likelihood(0);
14
           return 0;
15
16
      }
      void eval_post(Particle<PFState> &particle);
17
      private:
18
      Vector<double> w_;
19
20 };
```

It shall be noted that, it is important to keep single_particle_type small and copying the object efficient. The library will frequently pass argument of SingleParticle<T> type by value.

3.3.1 Compared to custom state type

One can also write a custom state type. For example,

```
1 class PFStateSP
2 {
3     public:
4     double &pos_x() { return pos_x_; }
```

```
double &pos_y() { return pos_y_; }
5
6
      double &vel_x() { return vel_x_; }
      double &vel_y() { return vel_y_; }
7
      double log_likelihood(double obs_x, double obs_y) const;
8
9
      private:
      double pos_x_;
10
      double pos_y_;
11
      double vel_x_;
12
      double vel_y_;
13
14 };
  And the PFState class will be defined as,
1 using PFStateBase = StateMatrix<RowMajor, 1, PFStateSP>;
2 class PFState : public PFStateBase
3 {
      public:
4
      using PFStateBase::StateMatrix;
5
6
      double log_likelihood(std::size_t t, std::size_t i) const
7
      {
8
           return this->state(i, 0).log_likelihood(obs_x_[t], obs_y_[t]);
9
      }
      void read data(const char *param);
10
11
      private:
      Vector<double> obs_x_;
12
      Vector<double> obs_y_;
13
14 };
```

The implementation of PFInit, etc., will be similar. Compared to extending the SingleParticle<T> type, this method is perhaps more intuitive. Functionality-wise, they are almost identical. However, there are a few advantages of extending SingleParticle<T>. First, it allows more compact data storage. Consider a situation where the state space is best represented by a real and an integer. The most intuitive way might be the following,

```
1 class S
2 {
       public:
3
       double &x() { return x_; }
4
      int &u() { return u_; }
5
      private:
6
      double x_;
7
       int u_;
8
9 };
10 class T : StateMatrix<RowMajor, 1, S>;
```

However, the type S will need to satisfy the alignment requirement of double, which is 8-bytes on most platforms. However, its size might not be a multiple of 8-bytes. Therefore the type will be padded and the storage of a vector of such type will not be as compact as possible. This can affect performance in some situations. An alternative approach would be the following,

```
1 class T
2 {
      public:
3
      template <typename S>
4
      class single_particle_type : SingleParticleBase<S>
5
6
      {
           public:
7
           using SingleParticleBase<S>::SingleParticleBase;
8
           double &x() { return this->particle().x [this->id()]; }
9
           double &u() { return this->particle().u_[this->id()]; }
10
      };
11
      private:
12
      Vector<double> x ;
13
      Vector<int> u_;
14
15 };
```

By extending SingleParticle<T>, it provides the same easy access to each particle. However, now the state values are stored as two compact vectors.

A second advantage is that it allows easier access to the raw data. Consider the implementation PFEval in section 2.4.2. It is rather redundant to copy each value of the two positions, just so later we can compute

weighted sums from them. Recall that in section 2.3.6 we showed that a monitor that compute the final results directly can also be added to a sampler. Therefore, we might implement PFEval as the following,

```
1 class PFEval
2 {
      public:
3
      void operator()(std::size_t t, std::size_t dim,
 4
           Particle<PFState> &particle, double *r)
5
6
      {
           cblas_dgemv(CblasRowMajor, CblasTrans, particle.size(), dim, 1,
7
8
               particle.value().data(), particle.value().dim(),
               particle.weight().data(), 1, 0, r, 1);
9
10
       }
11 };
```

And it can be added to a sampler as,

```
1 sampler.monitor("pos", 2, PFEval(), true);
```

This is only possible if the PFState was implemented with contiguous storage of the states. For this particular case, the performance benefit is small. But the possibility of accessing compact vector as raw data allows easier interfacing with external numerical libraries. If we have implemented PFState with the alternative approach shown earlier, the above direct invoking of cblas_dgemv will not be possible.

4 CONFIGURATION MACROS

The library has a few configuration macros. All these macros can be overwritten by the user by defining them with proper values before including any of the library's headers. All configurations macros are listed in table 4.1. There are some additional macros for RNG related functionalities. They will be discussed in chapter 7.

There are three types of configuration macros. The first type has a prefix VSMC_HAS. These macros specify a certain feature or third-party library is available. The second type has a prefix VSMC_USE. These macros specify that a certain feature or third-party library shall be used, if available. For example, if VSMC_HAS_MKL is defined to a non-zero value, but the it is desirable not to use MKL's vector math functions, then one can define VSMC_USE_MKL_VML to zero to prevent the library to use this individual component. All other macros define either types or constants that are used by the library.

Another important difference between macros with prefixes VSMC_HAS and VSMC_USE is that, the former will affect the interface while the later only affect internal implementations.

Macro	Default	Description
VSMC_HAS_INT128	Platform dependent	Support for 128-bits integers
VSMC_HAS_SSE2	Platform dependent	Support for sse2 intrinsic functions
VSMC_HAS_AVX2	Platform dependent	Support for AVX2 intrinsic functions
VSMC_HAS_AES_NI	Platform dependent	Support for AES-NI intrinsic functions
VSMC_HAS_RDRAND	Platform dependent	Support for RDRAND intrinsic functions
VSMC_HAS_X86	Platform dependent	Support for x86 platform
VSMC_HAS_X86_64	Platform dependent	Support for x86-64 platform
VSMC_HAS_POSIX	Platform dependent	Support for Posix platform
VSMC_HAS_OMP	Platform dependent	Support for OpenMP 3.0 or higher
VSMC_HAS_OPENCL	0	Support for OpenCL 1.2 or higher
VSMC_HAS_TBB	Platform dependent	Support for TBB 4.0 or higher
VSMC_HAS_TBB_MALLOC	VSMC_HAS_TBB	Support for TBB scalable memory allocation
VSMC_HAS_HDF5	Platform dependent	Support for HDF5 1.8.6 or higher
VSMC_HAS_MKL	Platform dependent	Support for MKL 11.0 or higher
VSMC_USE_OMP	VSMC_HAS_OMP	Use OpenMP parallelization outside the sмр
		module
VSMC_USE_TBB	VSMC_HAS_TBB	Use TBB parallelization outside the SMP module
VSMC_USE_TBB_TLS	VSMC_HAS_TBB	Use TBB thread-local storage classes (TLS)
VSMC_USE_MKL_CBLAS	VSMC_HAS_MKL	Use mkl_cblas.h instead of cblas.h
VSMC_USE_MKL_LAPACKE	VSMC_HAS_MKL	Use mkl_lapacke.h instead of lapacke.h
VSMC_USE_MKL_VML	VSMC_HAS_MKL	Use MKL vector mathematical functions (VML)
VSMC_USE_MKL_VSL	VSMC_HAS_MKL	Use MKL statistical functions (VSL)
VSMC_USE_ACCELERATE	Platform dependent	Use Mac OS X Accelerate framework for BLAS.
		Ignored if VSMC_USE_MKL_BLAS is defined to a
		non-zero value.
VSMC_INT64	Platform dependent	The 64-bit integer type used by x86 intrinsics
VSMC_INT128	Platform dependent	The 128-bit integer type
VSMC_CBLAS_INT_TYPE	int	The default integer type of BLAS routines
VSMC_ALIGNMENT	32	Default alignment for scalar types
VSMC_ALIGNMENT_CACHE	64	Default cache line alignment for scalar types
VSMC_ALIGNMENT_MIN	16	Minimum alignment for all types
VSMC_ALIGNED_MEMORY_TYPE	Platform dependent	The type of AlignedMemory
VSMC_CONSTRUCT_SCALAR	0	Should Allocator::construct zero out scalar types

Table 4.1 Configuration macros

5.1 CONSTANTS

The library defines some mathematical constants in the form of constexpr functions. For example, to get the value of π with a desired precision, one can call the following,

```
1 auto pi_f = const_pi<float>();
2 auto pi_d = const_pi<double>();
3 auto pi_l = const_pi<long double>();
```

The compiler will evaluate these values at compile-time and thus there is no performance difference from hard-coding the constants in the program, while the readability is improved. All defined constants are listed in table 5.1.

5.2 VECTORIZED OPERATIONS

The library provides a set of functions for vectorized mathematical operations. For example,

```
1 std::size_t n = 1000;
2 Vector<double> a(n), b(n), y(n);
3 // Fill vectors a and b
4 add(n, a.data(), b.data(), y.data());
performs addition for vectors. It is equivalent to
1 for (std::size_t i = 0; i != n; ++i)
2  y[i] = a[i] + b[i];
```

The functions defined are listed in table 5.2 to 5.7. For each function, the first parameter is always the length of the vector, and the last is a pointer to the output vector (except sincos which has two output parameters). For all functions, the output is always a vector. If there are more than one input parameters, then some of them, but not all, can be scalars. For example, for the function call fma(n, a, b, c, y) in table 5.2, the input parameters are a, b, and c. Some of them, not all, can be scalars instead of pointers to vectors. The output parameter y has to be a pointer to a vector.

5.3 PACK AND UNPACK VECTORS

The vectorized operations in the last section only operates on contiguous vectors. The library provides three functions to pack general vector into such storage,

```
1 // dst[i] = src[i * stride], i = 1 to n
2 template <typename RandomIter, typename IntType, typename OutputIter>
3 inline void pack s(
      std::size_t n, RandomIter src, IntType stride, OutputIter dst);
5 // dst[i] = src[index[i]], i = 1 to n
6 template <typename RandomIter, typename InputIter, typename OutputIter>
7 inline void pack i(
      std::size_t n, RandomIter src, InputIter index, OutputIter dst);
9 // Pack all src[i] with static_cast<boo>(mask[i]) is true, i = 1 to n
10 template <typename InputIterSrc, typename InputIterMask, typename OutputIter>
11 inline void pack m(
      std::size_t n, InputIterSrc src, InputIterMask mask, OutputIter dst);
  There are also three corresponding unpack functions,
1 // dst[i * stride] = src[i], i = 1 to n
2 template <typename InputIter, typename IntType, typename RandomIter>
3 inline void unpack s(
      std::size t n, InputIter src, IntType stride, RandomIter dst);
5 // dst[index[i]] = src[i], i = 1 to n
6 template <typename InputIterSrc, typename InputIterIndex, typename RandomIter>
7 inline void unpack_i(
      std::size_t n, InputIterSrc src, InputIterIndex index, RandomIter dst);
9 // dst[j] = src[i], where mask[j] is the i-th element of mask such that
10 // static_cast<bool>(mask[j]) is true, i = 1 to n
11 template <typename InputIterSrc, typename InputIterMask, typename OutputIter>
12 inline void unpack m(
      std::size t n, InputIterSrc src, InputIterMask mask, OutputIter dst);
13
  These functions guarantee that the three assertions in the following program will never fail,
1 pack_s(n, src, stride, tmp);
2 unpack_s(n, tmp, stride, dst);
3 for (std::size_t i = 0; i != n; ++i)
      assert(src[i * stride] == dst[i * stride]);
```

```
5 pack_i(n, src, index, tmp);
6 unpack_i(n, tmp, index, dst);
7 for (std::size_t i = 0; i != n; ++i)
8    assert(src[index[i]] == dst[index[i]]);
9 pack_m(n, src, mask, tmp);
10 unpack_m(n, tmp, mask, src);
11 for (std::size_t i = 0; i != n; ++i)
12    if (mask[i])
13    assert(src[i] == dst[i]);
```

Function	Value	Function	Value
const_pi	π	const_pi_2	2π
const_pi_inv	$1/\pi$	const_pi_sqr	π^2
const_pi_by2	$\pi/2$	const_pi_by3	$\pi/3$
const_pi_by4	$\pi/4$	const_pi_by6	$\pi/6$
const_pi_2by3	$2\pi/3$	const_pi_3by4	$3\pi/4$
const_pi_4by3	$4\pi/3$	const_sqrt_pi	$\sqrt{\pi}$
const_sqrt_pi_2	$\sqrt{2\pi}$	const_sqrt_pi_inv	$\sqrt{1/\pi}$
const_sqrt_pi_by2	$\sqrt{\pi/2}$	const_sqrt_pi_by3	$\sqrt{\pi/3}$
const_sqrt_pi_by4	$\sqrt{\pi/4}$	const_sqrt_pi_by6	$\sqrt{\pi/6}$
const_sqrt_pi_2by3	$\sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{3}}$	const_sqrt_pi_3by4	$\sqrt{3\pi/4}$
const_sqrt_pi_4by3	$\sqrt{4\pi/3}$	const_ln_pi	$\ln \pi$
const_ln_pi_2	$\ln 2\pi$	const_ln_pi_inv	$\ln 1/\pi$
const_ln_pi_by2	$\ln \pi/2$	const_ln_pi_by3	$\ln \pi/3$
const_ln_pi_by4	$\ln \pi/4$	const_ln_pi_by6	$\ln \pi/6$
const_ln_pi_2by3	$\ln 2\pi/3$	const_ln_pi_3by4	$\ln 3\pi/4$
const_ln_pi_4by3	$\ln 2\pi/3$ $\ln 4\pi/3$	const e	e e
const_e_inv	1/e	const_sqrt_e	\sqrt{e}
const_sqrt_e_inv	$\sqrt{1/e}$	const_sqrt_2	$\sqrt{2}$
const_sqrt_3	$\sqrt{3}$	const_sqrt_5	$\sqrt{5}$
	$\sqrt{10}$	_ · _	$\sqrt{1/2}$
const_sqrt_10		const_sqrt_1by2	$\sqrt{1/2}$ $\sqrt{1/5}$
const_sqrt_1by3	$\sqrt{1/3}$	const_sqrt_1by5	, .
const_sqrt_1by10	$\sqrt{1/10}$	const_ln_2	ln 2
const_ln_3	ln 3	const_ln_5	ln 5
const_ln_10	ln 10	const_ln_inv_2	1/ln 2
const_ln_inv_3	1/ln 3	const_ln_inv_5	1/ln 5
const_ln_inv_10	1/ln 10	const_ln_ln_2	ln ln 2

Table 5.1 Mathematical constants

Function	Operation
add(n, a, b, y)	$y_i = a_i + b_i$
sub(n, a, b, y)	$y_i = a_i - b_i$
sqr(n, a, y)	$y_i = a_i^2$
mul(n, a, b, y)	$y_i = a_i b_i$
abs(n, a, y)	$y_i = a_i $
fma(n, a, b, c, y)	$y_i = a_i b_i + c_i$

Table 5.2 Arithmetic functions

Function	Operation
inv(n, a, y)	$y_i = 1/a_i$
div(n, a, b, y)	$y_i = a_i/b_i$
sqrt(n, a, y)	$y_i = \sqrt{a_i}$
invsqrt(n, a, y)	$y_i = 1/\sqrt{a_i}$
cbrt(n, a, y)	$y_i = \sqrt[3]{a_i}$
invcbrt(n, a, y)	$y_i = 1/\sqrt[3]{a_i}$
pow2o3(n, a, y)	$y_i = a_i^{2/3}$
pow3o2(n, a, y)	$y_i = a_i^{3/2}$
pow(n, a, b, y)	$y_i = a_i^{b_i}$
hypot(n, a, b, y)	$y_i = \sqrt{a_i^2 + b_i^2}$

Table 5.3 Power and root functions

Function	Operation
exp(n, a, y)	$y_i = e_i^a$
exp2(n, a, y)	$y_i = 2_i^a$
exp10(n, a, y)	$y_i = 10_i^a$
expm1(n, a, y)	$y_i = e_i^a - 1$
log(n, a, y)	$y_i = \ln a_i$
log2(n, a, y)	$y_i = \log_2 a_i$
log10(n, a, y)	$y_i = \log_{10} a_i$
log1p(n, a, y)	$y_i = \ln(a_i + 1)$

Table 5.4 Exponential and logarithm functions

Function	Operation
cos(n, a, y)	$y_i = \cos(a_i)$
sin(n, a, y)	$y_i = \sin(a_i)$
sincos(n, a, y, z)	$y_i = \sin(a_i), z_i = \cos(a_i)$
tan(n, a, y)	$y_i = \tan(a_i)$
acos(n, a, y)	$y_i = \arccos(a_i)$
asin(n, a, y)	$y_i = \arcsin(a_i)$
atan(n, a, y)	$y_i = \arctan(a_i)$
acos(n, a, y)	$y_i = \arccos(a_i)$
atan2(n, a, y)	$y_i = \arctan(a_i/b_i)$

Table 5.5 Trigonometric functions

Function	Operation
cosh(n, a, y)	$y_i = \cosh(a_i)$
sinh(n, a, y)	$y_i = \sinh(a_i)$
tanh(n, a, y)	$y_i = \tanh(a_i)$
acosh(n, a, y)	$y_i = \operatorname{arc} \cosh(a_i)$
asinh(n, a, y)	$y_i = \arcsin(a_i)$
atanh(n, a, y)	$y_i = \operatorname{arc} \tanh(a_i)$

Table 5.6 Hyperbolic functions

Function	Operation
erf(n, a, y)	$y_i = \operatorname{erf}(a_i)$
erfc(n, a, y)	$y_i = \operatorname{erfc}(a_i)$
cdfnorm(n, a, y)	$y_i = 1 - \operatorname{erfc}(a_i/\sqrt{2})/2$
lgamma(n, a, y)	$y_i = \ln \Gamma(a_i)$
tgamma(n, a, y)	$y_i = \Gamma(a_i)$

Table 5.7 Special functions

6.1 BUILTIN ALGORITHMS

The library supports resampling in a more general way than the algorithm described in chapter 1. Recall that, given a particle system $\{W^{(i)}, X^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$, a new system $\{\bar{W}^{(i)}, \bar{X}^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^M$ is generated. Regardless of other statistical properties, in practice, such an algorithm can be decomposed into three steps. First, a vector of replication numbers $\{r_i\}_{i=1}^N$ is generated such that $\sum_{i=1}^N r_i = M$, and $0 \le r_i \le M$ for $i = 1, \ldots, N$. Then a vector of indices $\{a_i\}_{i=1}^M$ is generated such that $\sum_{i=1}^M \mathbb{I}_{\{j\}}(a_i) = r_j$, and $1 \le a_i \le N$ for $i = 1, \ldots, M$. And last, set $\bar{X}^{(i)} = X^{(a_i)}$.

The first step determines the statistical properties of the resampling algorithm. The library defines all algorithms discussed in Douc, Cappé, and Moulines (2005). Samplers can be constructed with builtin schemes as seen in section 2.4.2. In addition, samplers can also be constructed with user defined resampling operations. A user defined resampling algorithm can be any type that is convertible to Sampler<T>::resample_type, following function call,

```
1 using resample_type = std::function<void(std::size_t, std::size_t,
2 typename Particle<T>::rng type &, const double *, size type *)>;
```

where the first argument is N, the sample size before resampling; the second is M, the sample size after resampling; the third is a C++11 RNG type, the fourth is a pointer to normalized weight, and the last is a pointer to the vector $\{r_i\}_{i=1}^N$. The builtin schemes are implemented as classes with operator() conforms to the above signature. All builtin schemes are listed in table 6.1

To transform $\{r_i\}_{i=1}^N$ into $\{a_i\}_{i=1}^M$, one can call the following function,

```
1 template <typename IntType1, typename IntType2>
```

ResampleScheme	Algorithm
Multinomial	Multinomial resampling
Stratified	Stratified resampling
Systematic	Systematic resampling
Residual	Residual resampling
ResidualStratified	Stratified resampling on residuals
ResidualSystematic	Systematic resampling on residuals

Table 6.1 Resampling schemes

where the last parameter is the output vector $\{a_i\}_{i=1}^M$. This function guarantees that $a_i = i$ if $r_i > 0$, for $i = 0, ..., \min\{N, M\}$. However, its output may not be optimal for all applications. The last step of a resampling operation, the copying of particles can be the most time consuming one, especially on distributed systems. The topology of the system will need to be taking into consideration to achieve optimal performance. In those situations, it is best to use ResampleMultinomial etc., to generate the replication numbers, and manually perform the rest of the resampling algorithm.

6.2 USER DEFINED ALGORITHMS

The library provides facilities for implementing new resampling algorithms. The most common situation is that, a vector of random numbers on the interval [0,1) is generated, say $\{u_i\}_{i=1}^M$. The replication numbers are $r_i = \sum_{j=1}^M \mathbb{I}_{[v_{i-1},v_i)}(u_i)$, where $v_i = \sum_{j=1}^i W_i$, $v_0 = 0$. For example, the Multinomial resampling algorithm is equivalent to $\{u_i\}_{i=1}^M$ being i.i.d. standard uniform random numbers.

Alternatively, let $p_i = \lfloor MW_i \rfloor$, $q_i = MW_i - p_i$. One can perform resampling on the residuals, using weights proportional to $\{q_i\}_{i=1}^N$. The output size shall be $R = M - \sum_{i=1}^N p_i$. Let the replication numbers be $\{s_i\}_{i=1}^N$, then $r_i = p_i + s_i$.

The library provides the following class template for implementing such algorithms,

```
1 template <template <typename, typename> class U01SeqType, bool Residual>
2 class ResampleAlgorithm;
```

where U01SeqType will be discussed later. The second parameter Residual determines if the resampling shall be applied to residuals.

The template template parameter U01SeqType shall be a class template that takes the following form,

```
1 template <typename RNGType, typename RealType>
2 class U01SeqType
3 {
4     public:
5     U01SeqType(std::size_t M, RNGType &rng);
6     RealType operator[](std::size_t i);
7 };
```

The constructor and operator are required. The specific behavior of the operator is more tricky. Let u01seq be an object of the above type. The operator u01seq[i] will be called exactly M times, with arguments i = 1, ..., M, in the increasing order. Each time u01seq[i] is called, it shall return a number between

u01seq[i-1] and 1. In other words, a U01SeqType object shall be able to generate ordered random numbers on the interval [0, 1). However, it only need to be able to generate such a sequence once. After M calls, or if its called twice with the same arguments, or its called with a sequence of arguments other than i = 1, ..., M, its behavior might well be undefined.

An obvious method is to generate the random numbers first and then sort them. However, no sorting algorithm has cost O(M), while it is possible to generate such an ordered sequence with cost O(M) by using order statistics. The library defines three such sequences. The first is equivalent to sorted i.i.d. random numbers. The second and the third are stratified and systematic, respectively. The builtin resampling algorithms are implemented using these sequences. For example,

```
1 using ResampleMultinomial = ResampleAlgorithm<U01SequenceSorted, false>;
2 using ResampleResidual = ResampleAlgorithm<U01SequenceSorted, true>;
```

If the user is able to define a new ordered random sequence, either through sorting or otherwise, then using the ResampleAlgorithm template, a new resampling algorithm can easily be implemented. Note that, the algorithm implemented by this class template always has a cost O(N + M), unless the random sequence has a greater cost.

6.3 ALGORITHMS WITH INCREASING DIMENSIONS

Recall section 1.2, in general an SIS algorithm operates on increasing dimensions. Assume that the storage cost of a single particle at the marginal $(X_t^{(i)})$ is of order O(1). At each iterations t, the path $X_{0:t-1}^{(i)}$ is extended to $X_{0:t}^{(i)}$. The resampling algorithms operate on the space $\prod_{k=0}^t E_k$. When the proposal $q_t(\cdot|X_{0:t-1}^{(i)}) = q_t(\cdot|X_{t-1}^{(i)})$ and only the marginal $\eta_t(X_t)$ is of interest, one can only resample $\{X_t^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$. This leads to O(N) cost for resampling. This is the typical case for SMC algorithms. However, there are situations where resampling $\{X_{0:t}^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$ is necessary. In this case, the cost of resampling at iteration t is O(tN). And total resampling cost to obtain $\{X_{0:t}^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$, is $O(t^2N)$.

However, such cost is avoidable in some circumstances. Recall that, after generating the resampling index $\{a_i\}_{i=1}^N$, one set $\bar{X}_{0:t}^{(i)} = X_{0:t}^{(a_i)}$. Let $(\{X_0^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N, \dots, \{X_t^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N)$ be the marginals before resampling, and $(\{a_0^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N, \dots, \{a_t^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N)$ be the resampling index vectors at each iteration. Then one can obtain $X_{0:t}^{(i)}$ through the following recursion,

$$b_t^{(i)} = a_t^{(i)}$$

$$b_k^{(i)} = a_k^{(b_{k+1}^{(i)})} \text{ for } k = t - 1, \dots, 0$$

$$\bar{X}_k^{(i)} = X_k^{(b_k^{(i)})} \text{ for } k = t, \dots, 0$$

Intuitively, only the resampling index vectors are resampled. The cost of the above recursion is O(tN) instead of $O(t^2N)$. Not that it is likely to be much slower compared to directly copying particles at each

iteration in the situation when only the marginals need to be resampled, in which case both has a cost O(tN).

This algorithm is useful in the following situation. Assume that there exist recursive functions,

$$\begin{split} \varphi_t(X_{0:t}^{(i)}|X_{0:t-1}^{(i)}) &= \varphi_t(X_t^{(i)}, \varphi_{t-1}(X_{0:t-1}^{(i)})), \\ \varphi_t(X_{0:t}^{(i)}|X_{0:t-1}^{(i)}) &= \varphi_t(X_t^{(i)}, \varphi_{t-1}(X_{0:t-1}^{(i)}), \varphi_{t-1}(X_{0:t-1}^{(i)})), \end{split}$$

such that $q(\cdot|X_{0:t}^{(i)}) = q(\cdot|\varphi(X_{0:t-1}^{(i)}))$ and $W_t(X_{0:t}^{(i)}) = W_t(\phi(X_{0:t}^{(i)}))$. In this case, only the values of $\varphi_t(X_{0:t}^{(i)})$ and $\phi_t(X_{0:t}^{(i)})$ need to be resampled at every iteration. If they have storage costs at the order of O(1), then the total cost of resampling will still be O(tN). See Beskos et al. (2014) for some examples of such algorithms.

The library provides the following class template for implementing such an algorithm.

```
1 template <typename IntType = std::size_t>
2 class ResampleIndex;
```

Its usage is demonstrated by the following example (assuming $X_t^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}$, and ϕ_t is the same as φ_t),

```
1 using StateBase = StateMatrix<ColMajor, Dynamic, double>;
2 class State : StateBase
3 {
       public:
4
       StateBase(std::size_t N) : StateBase(N), varphi_(N) {}
       template <typename IntType>
6
      void copy(std::size_t N, IntType *index)
7
8
           // DO NOT CALL StateBase::copy
9
           for (std::size_t i = 0; i != N; ++i)
10
               varphi [i] = varphi [index[i]];
11
           index .push back(N, index);
12
       }
13
      // To be called during initialization
14
       void reset() { index_.reset(); }
15
      // Get the resampled state up to time n
16
      // Assuming that this->state(i, t) contains the marginal X_{\scriptscriptstyle t}^{(i)}
17
       State trace back(std::size t n)
```

```
19
           // idxmat is an N by n+1 matrix, say B, such that
20
           // B_{i,j} = b_i^{(i)}
21
           auto idxmat = index_.index_matrix(ColMajor, n);
22
           State rs(*this);
23
           for (std::size t j = 0; j <= n; ++j) {</pre>
24
                auto dst = rs.col data(j);
25
                auto src = this->col data(j);
26
                auto idx = idxmat.data() + j * this->size();
27
                for (std::size t i = 0; i != this->size(); ++i)
28
                    dst[i] = src[idx[i]];
29
           }
30
           return rs;
31
       }
32
       private:
33
       Vector<double> varphi_; // the values of \varphi(X_t^{(i)})
34
       ResampleIndex index_;
35
36 };
37 Sampler<State> sampler(N, Multinomial); // Always resampling
38 sampler.particle.value().resize dim(n + 1);
39 // configure the sampler
40 sampler.initialize(param);
41 sampler.iterate(n);
42 auto state = sampler.particle().value().trace back(n);
```

The method call index_.push_back(N, index) append a new resampling index vector to the history being recorded by index_. If called without the second argument, i.e., index_.push_back(N), then it is assumed $a_i = i$ for i = 1, ..., N. To retrieve $b_{t_0}^{(i)}$, where $t_0 \le t$, one can call index_.index(i, t, t0). If the last argument is omitted, it is assumed to be zero. If the second argument is also omitted, then it is assumed to be the iteration number of the last index vector recorded. It is of course more useful, and more efficient to retrieve an N by R matrix B, such that $R = t - t_0 + 1$, $B_{i,j} = b_j^{(i)}$. This is done by calling index_.index_matrix(t, t0). Again, both arguments can be omitted, and the default values are the same as for index_.index(i, t, t0).

The performance difference directly copy $X_{0:t}^{(i)}$ at each iteration and using the above implementation can be significant for moderate to large t. Of course, if $\eta_k(X_{0:t})$ is of interest for all $k \le t$, instead of only

 $\eta_t(X_{0:t})$ being of interest, then one is better off to copy all states at all iterations.

Note that, ResampleIndex is capable of dealing with varying sample size situations. Each call of push_back does not need to have the same sample size N. In addition, if such an index object need to be reused multiple times, one can use its insert method instead of push_back. See the reference manual for details.

The library has a comprehensive RNG system to facilitate implementation of Monte Carlo algorithms.

```
7.1 SEEDING
```

The singleton class template SeedGenerator can be used to generate distinctive seed sequentially. For example,

```
1 auto &seed = SeedGenerator<void, unsigned>::instance();
2 RNG rng1(seed.get()); // Construct rng1
3 RNG rng2(seed.get()); // Construct rng2 with another seed
```

The first argument to the template can be any type. For different types, different instances of SeedGenerator will be created. Thus, the seeds generated by SeedGenerator<T1> and SeedGenerator<T2> will be independent. The second parameter is the type of the seed values. It can be an unsigned integer type. Classes such as Particle<T> will use the generator of the following type,

```
1 using Seed = SeedGenerator<NullType, VSMC_SEED_RESULT_TYPE>;
```

where VSMC_SEED_RESULT_TYPE is a configuration macro which is defined to unsigned by default. One can save and set the seed generator using standard C++ streams. For example

```
1 std::ifstream seed_txt("seed.txt");
2 if (seed_txt.good())
3    seed_txt >> Seed::instance(); // Read seed from a file
4 else
5    Seed::instance().set(101); // The default seed
6 seed_txt.close();
7 // The program
8 std::ofstream seed_txt("seed.txt");
9 seed_txt << Seed::instance(); // Write the seed to a file
10 seed_txt.close();</pre>
```

This way, if the simulation program need to be repeated multiple times, each time is will use a different set of seeds.

A single seed generator is enough for a single computer program. However, it is more difficult to ensure that each computing node has a distinctive set of seeds in a distributed system. A simple solution is to use the modulo method of SeedGenerator. For example,

```
1 Seed::instance().modulo(n, r);
```

where n is the number of processes and r is the rank of the current node. After this call, all seeds generated will belong to the equivalent class $s \equiv r \mod n$. Therefore, no two nodes will ever generate the same seeds.

7.2 COUNTER-BASED RNG

The standard library provides a set of RNG classes. Unfortunately, none of them are suitable for parallel computing without considerable efforts.

The development by Salmon et al. (2011) made high performance parallel RNG much more accessible than it was before. In the author's personal opinion, it is the most significant development for parallel Monte Carlo algorithms in recent memory. See the paper for more details. Here, it is sufficient to note that, the RNGs introduced in the paper use deterministic functions f_k , such that, for any sequence $\{c_i\}_{i>0}$, the sequence $\{y_i\}_{i>0}$, $y_i = f_k(c_i)$, appears as random. In addition, for $k_1 \neq k_2$, f_{k_1} and f_{k_2} will generate two sequences that appear statistically independent. Compared to more conventional RNGs which use recursions $y_i = f(y_{i-1})$, these counter-based RNGs are much easier to setup in a parallelized environment.

If c, the counter, is an unsigned integer with b bits, and k, the key, is an unsigned integer with d bits. Then for each k, the RNG has a period 2^b . And there can be at most 2^d independent streams. Table 7.1 lists all counter-based RNGs implemented in this library, along with the bits of the counter and the key. They all conform to the C++11 uniform RNG concept and output 32-bit integers. For 64-bits integer output, a suffix _64 may be appended to corresponding RNG engine names. For example, Threefry4x64 and Threefry4x64_64 generate the same 256-bit patterns. The only difference is that operator() of the former returns 32-bits integers one at a time while the later returns 64-bits integers. All RNGs in Salmon et al. (2011) are implemented along with a few additions. Note that, the actual period of an RNG can be longer. For example, Philox4x64 has a 256-bit counter but output 64-bit integers. And thus it has a $4 \cdot 2^{256}$ period. Such period length may seem very small compared to many well known RNGs. For example, the famous Mersenne-Twister generator (std::mt19937) has a period $2^{19937} - 1$. However, combined with 2^{256} independent streams, only the most demanding programs will find these counter-base RNGs insufficient.

7.2.1 AES-NI intrinsics based RNG

The AES-NI intrinsics based RNGs in Salmon et al. (2011) are implemented in a more general form,

```
1 template <typename ResultType, typename KeySeqType, std::size_t Rounds,
2    std::size_t Blocks>
3 using AESNIEngine =
4    CounterEngine<ResultType, AESNIGenerator<KeySeqType, Rounds, Blocks>>;
```

where KeySeqType is the class used to generate the sequence of round keys; Rounds is the number of rounds of AES encryption to be performed. See the reference manual for details of how to define the key sequence

Class	Counter bits	Key bits
AES128xB	128	128
AES192xB	128	192
AES256xB	128	256
ARSx B	128	128
Philox2x32	64	32
Philox2x64	128	64
Philox4x32	128	64
Philox4x64	256	128
Threefry2x32	64	64
Threefry2x64	128	128
Threefry4x32	128	128
Threefry4x64	256	256
Threefry8x64	512	512
Threefry16x64	1024	1024

Table 7.1 Counter-based RNG; B: either 1, 2, 4, or 8. Each RNG engine may have suffix _64

class. The AES-NI instructions have a latency of seven or eight cycles, while they can be issued at every cycle. Therefore better performance can be achieved if multiple 128-bit random integers are generated at the same time. This is specified by the template parameter Blocks. Larger blocks, up to eight, can improve runtime performance but this is at the cost of larger state size.

Four types of key sequences are implemented by the library, corresponding to the ARS algorithm in Salmon et al. (2011) and the AES-128, AES-192, and AES-256 algorithms. The following RNG engines are defined.

```
template <typename ResultType, std::size_t Blocks = VSMC_RNG_AES_BLOCKS>
using AES128Engine = AESNIEngine<ResultType, AES128KeySeq<10>, 10, Blocks>;

template <typename ResultType, std::size_t Blocks = VSMC_RNG_AES_BLOCKS>
using AES192Engine = AESNIEngine<ResultType, AES192KeySeq<12>, 12, Blocks>;

template <typename ResultType, std::size_t Blocks = VSMC_RNG_AES_BLOCKS>
using AES256Engine = AESNIEngine<ResultType, AES256KeySeq<14>, 14, Blocks>;

template <typename ResultType, std::size_t Rounds = VSMC_RNG_ARS_ROUNDS,
std::size_t Blocks = VSMC_RNG_ARS_BLOCKS>
```

Macro	Default
VSMC_RNG_AES_BLOCKS	8
VSMC_RNG_ARS_ROUNDS	5
VSMC_RNG_ARS_BLOCKS	8
VSMC_RNG_PHILOX_ROUNDS	10
VSMC_RNG_PHILOX_VECTOR_LENGTH	4
VSMC_RNG_THREEFRY_ROUNDS	20
VSMC_RNG_THREEFRY_VECTOR_LENGTH	4

Table 7.2 Configuration macros for counter-based RNGs

```
9 using ARSEngine = AESNIEngine<ResultType, ARSKeySeq, Rounds, Blocks>;
```

The default template arguments can be changed by configuration macros listed in table 7.2. Type aliases are also defined, as listed in table 7.1. For example, ARSx4 is ARSEngine with result type std::uint32_t, four blocks, and the default number of rounds.

The type aliases ARS, AES128, AES192 and AES256 are the respective engines with std::uint32_t as ResultType and other template parameters taking their default values. Similarly, ARS_64, AES128_64, AES192_64 and AES256_64 are type aliases with std::uint64_t as ResultType.

7.2.2 *Philox*

The Philox algorithm in Salmon et al. (2011) is implemented in a more general form,

```
template <typename ResultType, typename T = ResultType,
    std::size_t K = VSMC_RNG_PHILOX_VECTOR_LENGTH,
    std::size_t Rounds = VSMC_RNG_PHILOX_ROUNDS>
    using PhiloxEngine = CounterEngine<ResultType, PhiloxGenerator<T, K, Rounds>>;
    template <typename ResultType>
    using Philox2x32Engine = PhiloxEngine<ResultType, std::uint32_t, 2>;
    template <typename ResultType>
    using Philox4x32Engine = PhiloxEngine<ResultType, std::uint32_t, 4>;
    template <typename ResultType>
    using Philox2x64Engine = PhiloxEngine<ResultType, std::uint64_t, 2>;
```

```
11 template <typename ResultType>
12 using Philox4x64Engine = PhiloxEngine<ResultType, std::uint64_t, 4>;
```

The default vector length and the number of rounds can be changed by configuration macros listed in table 7.2. Type aliases are also defined, as listed in table 7.1. For example, Philox4x32 is PhiloxEngine with result type std::uint32_t, state type std::uint32_t, vector length four, and the default number of rounds. The type aliases Philox and Philox_64 are defined similarly to ARS and ARS_64, respectively.

7.2.3 *Threefry*

The Threefry algorithm in Salmon et al. (2011) is implemented in a more general form,

```
1 template <typename ResultType, typename T = ResultType,</pre>
      std::size t K = VSMC RNG THREEFRY VECTOR LENGTH,
      std::size_t Rounds = VSMC_RNG_THREEFRY_ROUNDS>
4 using ThreefryEngine =
      CounterEngine<ResultType, ThreefryGenerator<T, K, Rounds>>;
6 template <typename ResultType>
7 using Threefry2x32Engine = ThreefryEngine<ResultType, std::uint32_t, 2>;
8 template <typename ResultType>
9 using Threefry4x32Engine = ThreefryEngine<ResultType, std::uint32_t, 4>;
10 template <typename ResultType>
11 using Threefry2x64Engine = ThreefryEngine<ResultType, std::uint64_t, 2>;
12 template <typename ResultType>
13 using Threefry4x64Engine = ThreefryEngine<ResultType, std::uint64_t, 4>;
14 template <typename ResultType>
15 using Threefry8x64Engine = ThreefryEngine<ResultType, std::uint64 t, 8>;
16 template <typename ResultType>
17 using Threefry16x64Engine = ThreefryEngine<ResultType, std::uint64 t, 16>;
```

The default vector length and the number of rounds can be changed by configuration macros listed in table 7.2. Type aliases are also defined, as listed in table 7.1. For example, Threefry4x32 is ThreefryEngine with result type std::uint32_t, state type std::uint32_t, vector length four, and the default number of rounds. The type aliases Threefry and Threefry_64 are defined similarly to ARS and ARS_64, respectively.

Class	Availability
ARS	VSMC_HAS_AES_NI
Philox	Always available

Table 7.3 Default RNG

Class	MKL BRNG
MKL_MCG59	VSL_BRNG_MCG59
MKL_MT19937	VSL_BRNG_MT19937
MKL_MT2203	VSL_BRNG_MT2203
MKL_SFMT19937	VSL_BRNG_SFMT19937
MKL_NONDETERM	VSL_BRNG_NONDETERM
MKL_ARS5	VSL_BRNG_ARS5
MKL_PHILOX4X32X10	VSL_BRNG_PHILOX4X32X10

Table 7.4 MKL RNG; Each RNG engine may have suffix _64

7.2.4 Default RNG

Note that, not all RNGs defined by the library is available on all platforms. The library also defines a type alias RNG which is one of the RNGs listed in table 7.1. The preference is in the order listed in table 7.3. The user can define the configuration macro VSMC_RNG_TYPE to override the choice made by the library.

7.3 NON-DETERMINISTIC RNG

If the RDRAND intrinsics are supported, the library also implements three RNGS, RDRAND16, RDRAND32 and RDRAND64. They output 16-, 32-, and 64-bit random unsigned integers, respectively.

7.4 MKL RNG

The MKL library provides some high performance RNGs. The library implements a wrapper class MKLEngine that makes them accessible as C++11 generators. They are listed in table 7.4. Note that, MKL RNGs performs best when they are used to generate vectors of random numbers. These wrappers use a buffer to store such vectors. And thus they have much larger state space than usual RNGs. Each RNG engines output by default 32-bit integers. Similar to the counter-based RNGs, 64-bit variants are also defined.

7.5 MULTIPLE RNG STREAMS

Earlier in section 2.3.3 we introduced that particle.rng(i) returns an independent RNG instance. This is actually done through a class template called RNGSet. Three of them are implemented in the library. They all have the same interface,

```
1 RNGSet<RNG> rng_set(N); // A set of N RNGs
2 rng_set.resize(n); // Change the size of the set
3 rng_set.seed(); // Seed each RNG in the set with Seed::instance()
4 rng_set[i]; // Get a reference to the i-th RNG
```

The first implementation is RNGSetScalar. As its name suggests, it is only a wrapper of a single RNG. All calls to rng_set[i] returns a reference to the same RNG. It is only useful when an RNGSet interface is required while the thread-safety and other issues are not important.

The second implementation is RNGSetVector. It is an array of RNGS with length N. It has memory cost O(N). Many of the counter-based RNGS have small state size and thus for moderate N, this cost is not an issue. The method calls rng_set[i] and rng_set[j] return independent RNGS if $i \neq j$.

Last, if TBB is available, there is a third implementation RNGSetTBB, which uses thread-local storage (TLS). It has much smaller memory footprint than RNGSetVector while maintains better thread-safety. The performance impact of using TLS is minimal unless the computation at the calling site is trivial. For example,

```
1 std::size_t eval_pre(SingleParticle<T> sp)
2 {
3     auto &rng = sp.rng();
4     // using rng to initialize state
5     // do some computation, likely far more costly than TLS
6 }
```

The type alias RNGSet is defined to be RNGSetTBB if TBB is available, otherwise defined to be RNGSetVector. It is used by the Particle class template. One can replace the type of RNG set used by Particle<T> with a member type of T. For example,

```
1 class T
2 {
3    using rng_set_type = RNGSetScalar<RNG>;
4 };
```

will replace the type of the RNG set contained in Particle<T>. Note that, Particle<T> itself does not use any RNG in the set.

Class	Notes
LaplaceDistribution	Parameters: location a; scale b
LevyDistribution	Parameters: location a; scale b
ParetoDistribution	Parameters: shape a; scale b
RayleighDistribution	Parameters: scale sigma

Table 7.5 Random number distributions

7.6 DISTRIBUTIONS

The library also provides implementations of some common distributions. They all conforms to the C++11 random number distribution concepts. Some of them are the same as those in the C++11 standard library, with CamelCase names. For example, NormalDistribuiton can be used as a drop-in replacement of std::normal_distribuiton. This includes all of the continuous distributions defined in the standard library. Their benefits compared to the standard library will be discussed later. Table 7.5 lists all the additional distributions implemented. The library also implement the multivariate Normal distribution. Its usable is shown by the following example,

```
1 double mean[2] = { /* the mean vector */ };
2 double cov[4] = { /* the covariance matrix */ };
3 double chol[3];
4 double r[2];
5 // Compute the lower triangular of the Cholesky decomposition
6 cov_chol(2, cov, chol);
7 RNG rng;
8 NormalMVDistribution<double, 2> norm2(mean, chol); // Bivariate Normal
9 NormalMVDistribution<double, Dynamic> normd(2, mean, chol); // Same as above
10 norm2(rng, r); // Generate a bivariate Normal
11 normd(rng, r); // Same as above
```

We shall mention here that the static form (norm2), where the dimension is specified as a template parameter is more efficient. The distribution accept the lower triangular of the Choleskey decomposition of the covariance matrix as input, instead of the covariance matrix itself. The input matrix shall be in packed format, with row major storage layout. A function cov_chol is provided to compute this decomposition from a covariance matrix stored in various format. The output is suitable as direct input to the distribution. See section 8.2 for details.

- 7.6.1 Uniform bits distribution
- 7.6.2 Standard uniform distribution
- 7.7 VECTORIZED RANDOM NUMBER GENERATING

The RNGs and distributions implemented by this library provides vectorized operations. For example,

```
1 std::size_t n = 1000;
2 RNG rng;
3 NormalDistribution<double> norm(0, 1);
4 Vector<RNG::result_type> u(n);
5 Vector<double> r(n);
6 rng(n, u.data());  // Generate n random unsigned integers
7 rng_rand(rng, n, u.data()); // Same as above
8 norm(rng, n, r.data()); // Generate n Normal random numbers
9 normal_distribution(rng, n, r.data(), 0.0, 1.0);  // Same as above
10 normal_distribution(rng, n, r.data(), norm.param()); // Same as above
11 rng_rand(rng, norm, n, r.data());  // Same as above
```

Note that these functions will be specialized to use MKL routines if rng is one of the engines listed in table 7.4.

7.8 RNG IN C AND OPENCL

The Philox and Threefry engines, together with a set of functions that transfer unsigned random integers to floating points numbers, are also implemented with only a subset of C99 features. They can be used in both C99 and OpenCL 1.2 device programs. See appendix C.1.5 for an example of such an OpenCL program. Here we provide a minimal example that generates two standard Normal random numbers using the Box-Muller method,

```
1 vsmc_threefry4x32 rng;
2 vsmc_threefry4x32_init(&rng, seed);
3 uint32_t u32[2];
4 u32[0] = vsmc_threefry4x32_rand(&rng);
5 u32[1] = vsmc_threefry4x32_rand(&rng);
6 double u01[2];
7 u01[0] = vsmc_u01_oc_u32d(u32[0]);
```

```
8 u01[1] = vsmc_u01_oc_u32d(u32[1]);
9 u01[0] = sqrt(-2 * log(u01[0]));
10 u01[1] *= 2;

11 double normal01[2];
12 normal01[0] = u01[0] * sin(M_PI * u01[1]);
13 normal01[1] = u01[0] * cos(M_PI * u01[1]);
```

For each engine type, there are two primary functions. One is used to initialize the state. These functions take the form of the engine name suffixed with _init. They take a pointer to the RNG and an unsigned integer as input. The other function is used to increment the counter and generate unsigned random integers. These functions take the form of the engine name suffixed with _rand. They take a pointer to the RNG as input and return an unsigned integer.

The functions that convert unsigned random integers to floating points uniform on [0,1] take the form vsmc_u01_Lr_ubitsfp, where L specify the lower bound of the interval to be closed (c) or open (o); similarly r specify the upper bound of the interval; bits can be either 32 or 64, which specifies the input type to be uint32_t or uint64_t, respectively; and last fp can be either f, d, or 1, which specifies the output type to be float, double, or long double, respectively. Note that, if used in OpenCL device programs, the long double versions are not defined. And the double versions are only defined if the macro VSMC HAS OPENCL DOUBLE is defined to a non-zero value.

The library provides some utilities for writing Monte Carlo simulation programs. For some of them, such as command line option processing, there are more advanced, dedicated libraries out there. The library only provides some basic functionality that is sufficient for most simple cases.

8.1 ALIGNED MEMORY ALLOCATION

The standard library class std::allocator is used by containers to allocate memory. It works fine in most cases. However, sometime it is desirable to allocate memory aligned by a certain boundary. The library provides the class template,

```
1 template <typename T, std::size_t Alignment = Alignment<T>::value,
2     typename Memory = AlignedMemory>
3 class Allocator;
```

which conforms to the std::allocator interface. The address of the pointer return by the allocate method will be a multiple of Alignment. The value of alignment has to be positive, larger than sizeof(void *), and a power of two. Violating any of these conditions will result in compile-time error. The last template parameter Memory shall have two static methods,

```
1 static void *aligned_malloc(std::size_t n, std::size_t alignment);
2 static void aligned free(void *ptr);
```

The method aligned_malloc shall behave similar to std::malloc with the additional alignment requirement. It shall return a null pointer if it fails to allocate memory. In any other case, including zero input size, it shall return a reachable non-null pointer. The method aligned_free shall behave similar to std::free. It shall be able to handle a null pointer as its input. The library provides a few implementations, listed in table 8.1. In addition, a type alias AlignedMemory is defined to be one of the class listed in the table, depending on the availability of those classes, with preference in the same order as they are listed. The user can define the configuration macro VSMC_ALIGNED_MEMORY_TYPE to override the choice made by the library.

The default alignment depends on the type T. If it is a scalar type (std::is_scalar<T>), then the alignment is VSMC_ALIGNMENT, whose default is 32. This alignment is sufficient for modern SIMD operations, such as AVX2. For other types, the alignment is the maximum of alignof(T) and VSMC_ALIGNMENT_MIN, whose default is 16.

Some classes in the library are over-aligned to make efficient use of SIMD operations. Those classes' operator new and related methods are overloaded using AlignedMemory.

Last, a type alias Vector is defined,

Class	Notes
AlignedMemoryTBB	Use scalable_aligned_malloc and scalable_aligned_free. Defined if VSMC_HAS_TBB_MALLOC is defined to a non-zero value.
AlignedMemorySYS	Use posix_memalign and free on POSIX platforms. Use _aligned_malloc and _aligned_free if using MSVC. Defined if VSMC_HAS_POSIX is defined to a non-zero value, or the MSVC compiler is detected.
AlignedMemoryMKL	Use mkl_malloc and mkl_free. Defined if VSMC_HAS_MKL is defined to a non-zero value.
AlignedMemorySTD	Use std::malloc and std::free. Always defined.

Table 8.1 Aligned memory allocation

```
1 template <typename T>
2 using Vector = std::vector<T, Allocator<T>>;
```

This vector type is used throughout the library.

8.2 SAMPLE COVARIANCE

The library provides some basic functionality to estimate sample variance. For example,

```
1 constexpr std::size_t d = /* Dimension */;
2 using T = StateMatrix<RowMajor, d, double>;
3 Sampler<T> sampler(N);
4 // operations on the sampler
5 double mean[d];
6 double cov[d * d];
7 Covariance eval;
8 auto x = sampler.particle().value().data();
9 auto w = sampler.particle().weight().data();
10 eval(RowMajor, N, d, x, w, mean, cov);
```

The sample covariance matrix will be computed and stored in cov. The mean vector is stored in mean. Note that, if any of them is a null pointer, then the corresponding output is not computed. The sample x is assumed to be stored in an N by d matrix. The first argument passed to eval is the storage layout of this matrix. If x is a null pointer, then no computation will be done. If w is a null pointer, then the weight is assumed to be equal for all samples. This method has three optional parameters. The first is cov_layout, which specifies the storage layout of cov. The second is cov_upper and the third is cov_packed, both are

false by default. If the later is true, a packed vector of length d(d + 1)/2 is written into cov. If cov_upper is true, then the upper triangular is packed, otherwise the lower triangular is packed.

The estimated covariance matrix is often used to construct multivariate Normal distribution for the purpose of generating random walk proposals. The NormalMVDistribution in section 7.6 accepts the lower triangular of the Cholesky decomposition of the covariance matrix instead of itself. The following function chol will compute this decomposition,

```
1 double chol_mat[d * (d + 1) / 2];
2 chol(d, cov, chol_mat);
3 NormalMVDistribution<double> normal_mv(d, nullptr, chol_mat); // zero mean
```

The output chol_mat is a packed vector in row major storage. This function also has three optional parameters, which are the same as those of Covariance::operator(), except that they are now used to specify the storage scheme of the input parameter cov.

```
8.3 STORE OBJECTS IN HDF5 FORMAT
```

If the HDF5 library is available (VSMC_HAS_HDF5), it is possible to store Sampler<T> objects, etc., in the HDF5 format. For example,

```
1 hdf5store(sampler, "pf.h5", "sampler", false);
```

creates a HDF5 file named pf.h5 with the sampler stored as a list in the group sampler. If the last argument is true, the data is inserted to an existing file. Otherwise a new file is created. In R it can be processed as the following,

```
1 library(rhdf5)
2 pf <- as.data.frame(h5read("pf.h5", "sampler"))</pre>
```

This creates a data.frame similar to that shown in section 2.4.2. The hdf5store function is overloaded for StateMatrix, Sampler<T> and Monitor<T>. It is also overloaded for Particle<T> if an overload for T is available. Such an overload is automatically available if T is a derived class of StateMatrix. However, it may not be the most suitable one. Other types of objects can also be stored, see the reference manual for details.

```
8.4 RAII CLASSES FOR OPENCL POINTERS
```

The library provides a few classes to manager OpenCL pointers. It provides RAII idiom on top of the OpenCL C interface. For example, below is a small program,

```
1 auto platform = cl_get_platform().front();
2 auto device = platform.get_device(CL_DEVICE_TYPE_DEFAULT).front();
```

Class	OpenCL pointer type
CLPlatform	cl_platform_id
CLContext	cl_context
CLDevice	cl_device_id
CLCommandQueue	cl_command_queue
CLMemory	cl_mem
CLProgram	cl_program
CLKernel	cl_kernel
CLEvent	cl_event

Table 8.2 RAII classes for OpenCL pointers

```
3 CLContext context(CLContextProperties(platform), 1, &device);
4 CLCommandQueue command_queue(context, device);
5 CLMemory buffer(context, CL_MEM_READ_WRITE, size);
6 std::string source = /* read source */;
7 CLProgram program(context, 1, &source);
8 program.build(1, &device);
9 CLKernel kernel(program, "kernel_name");
10 kernel.set_arg(0, buffer);
11 command_queue.enqueue_nd_range_kernel(kernel, 1, CLNDRange(), CLNDRange(N),
12 CLNDRange());
```

In the above program, each class type object manages an OpenCL C type, such as cl_platform. The resources will be released when the object is destroyed. Note that, the copy constructor and assignment operator perform shallow copy. This is particularly important for CLMemory type objects. In appendix C.1.5 an OpenCL implementation of the simple particle filter example in section 2.4 is shown. Table 8.2 lists the classes defined by the library and their corresponding OpenCL pointers.

8.5 PROCESS COMMAND LINE PROGRAM OPTIONS

The library provides some basic support for processing command line options. Here we show a minimal example. The complete program is shown in appendix C.2. First, we allocate define to store values of options,

```
1 int n;
2 std::string str;
3 std::vector<double> vec;
```

All types that support standard library I/O stream operations are supported. In addition, for any type T that supports such options, std::vector<T, Alloc>, is also supported. Then,

```
1 ProgramOptionMap option_map;
```

constructs the container of options. Options can be added to the map,

```
1 option_map
2    .add("str", "A string option with a default value", &str, "default")
3    .add("n", "An integer option", &n)
4    .add("vec", "A vector option", &vec);
```

The first argument is the name of the option, the second is a description, and the third is a pointer to where the value of the option shall be stored. The last optional argument is a default value. The options on the command line can be processed as the following,

```
1 option_map.process(argc, argv);
```

where argc and argv are the arguments of the main function. When the program is invoked, each option can be passed to it like below,

```
./program_option --vec 1 2 1e-1 --str "abc" --vec 8 9 --str "def hij" --n 2 4
```

The results of the option processing is displayed below,

```
n: 4
str: def hij
vec: 1 2 0.1 8 9
```

To summarize these output, the same option can be specified multiple times. If it is a scalar option, the last one is used (--str, --n). The value of a string option can be grouped by quotes. For a vector option (--vec), all values are gather together and inserted into the vector.

8.6 DISPLAY PROGRAM PROGRESS

Sometime it is desirable to see how much progress of a program has been made. The library provides a Progress class for this purpose. Here we show a minimal example. The complete program is shown in appendix c.3.

```
1 Progress progress;
2 progress.start(n * n);
3 for (std::size_t i = 0; i != n; ++i) {
    std::stringstream ss;
```

When invoked, the program output something similar the following,

```
[4\%][00:07][49019/1000000][i = 49]
```

The method progress.start(n * n) starts the printing of the progress. The argument specifies how many iterations there will be before it is stopped. The method progress.message(ss.str()) direct the program to print a message. This is optional. Each time after we finish n iterations (there are n^3 total iterations of the inner-most loop), we increment the progress count by calling progress.increment(). And after everything is finished, the method progress.stop() is called. The increment method has an optional argument, which specifies how many steps has been finished. The default is one. For example, we can call progress.start(n * n * n) and progress.increment(n) instead.

```
8.7 STOP WATCH
```

Performance can only be improved after it is first properly benchmarked. There are advanced profiling programs for this purpose. However, sometime simple timing facilities are enough. The library provides a simple class StopWatch for this purpose. As its name suggests, it works much like a physical stop watch. Here is a simple example

```
1 StopWatch watch;
2 for (std::size_t i = 0; i != n; ++i) {
3     // Some computation
4     watch.start();
5     // Computation to be benchmarked;
6     watch.stop();
7     // Some other computation
8 }
9 double t = watch.seconds(); // The time in seconds
```

The above example demonstrate that timing can be accumulated between loop iterations, function calls, etc. It shall be noted that, the timing is only accurate if the computation between watch.start() and watch.stop() is non-trivial.

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The library provides a set of C functions, declared in the header vsmc.h, and a companion runtime library. These functions expose a subset of the functionality of the C++ template library. The main purpose is for easier interfacing with other languages, instead of implementing algorithms in C itself. Of course, the later is possible and two complete C99 implementations of the simple particle filter in section 2.4 are shown in appendices C.1.3 and C.1.4. See the reference manual for complete list of the API. In this appendix, we introduce the conventions used in the API.

A.1 ARGUMENT TYPES

For all C interfaces, int is always used for integer types, regardless of the C++ interfaces, except for memory functions. And double is always used for floating points. For example, the following method of Seed,

```
1 unsigned get();
  is exposed to C as
1 int vsmc_seed_get(void);
```

And RNG methods where unsigned was expected in C++, an int is expected in C. If a function is a template, then only the specialization for double is exposed to C. In some cases, specializations for int and unsigned char are also exposed. The use of int as the universal integer type is for compatibility consideration. Again, the main purpose is for interfacing with other languages instead of implementing algorithms in C itself. For example, Fortran does not have native unsigned integer types. This is the main limitation of the C API. If integer values, such as sample size, larger than the largest value can be represented by int is needed. One can write their own C wrapper. Note that, when an unsigned integer type, such as std::size t is expected in the C++ interface, and the input for the C function was a negative value, it is silently converted to a positive value through static cast. Therefore -1 will be treated as a very big number instead of emit an error. The user is responsible to check input argument ranges. This limitation is not so significant in practice. The types int and double are as portable as one would get for interfacing with other languages. For instance, R's core storage modes for atomic numeric vectors are either int or double. Similarly, wherever an iteration is expected by the C++ interface, pointers to int and double will expected by the C interface, with possible const qualifiers. Enumerators are also defined with the same values as in C++, but with a vSMC prefix. For example, Multinomial becomes vSMCMultinomial and the type ResampleScheme becomes vSMCResampleScheme. The other two enumerator types are vSMCMatrixLayout and vSMCMonitorStage. Last, when a function object is expected in the C++ interface, a function pointer will be expected in the C interface. For example, Sampler::move type is translated to,

```
1 typedef int (*vsmc_sampler_move_type)(int, vsmc_particle);
A.2 CLASSES AND METHODS
```

A few core classes are accessible from this API. They are listed in table A.1. Table A.2 lists additional features of the library exposed to the C API apart from the core classes listed above. With the exception of

```
1 typedef {
2    double *state;
3    int id;
4 } vsmc_single_particle;
```

all the C types in the table are only wrappers around a pointer. For example,

```
1 typedef {
2    void *ptr;
3 } vsmc_sampler;
```

The pointer points to the address of a C++ object of the corresponding type.

Each C type objects can be created by an allocation function and destroyed by a deallocation function. For example,

```
vsmc_sampler = vsmc_sampler_new(n, dim, vSMCMultinomial, 0.5);
corresponds to the C++ calls,

Sampler<T> sampler(n, Multinomial, 0.5);
sampler.particle.value().resize_dim(dim);
The memory can later be freed by

vsmc_sampler_delete(sampler);
sampler.ptr = NULL;
```

Most non-static methods can be accesses through C. The corresponding functions names takes the form <code>class_method</code>, where <code>class</code> is a type name, for example <code>vsmc_sampler</code>; and <code>method</code> is the name of the method. The first argument will be a <code>class</code> type object, and the following arguments are the same as in C++. When there are multiple overloading of a method, the most general form is provided. For example,

```
1 StateMatrix<RowMajor, Dynamic, double> s;
2 s.resize(n);
3 s.resize(n, dim);
```

C++ types	C types
StateMatrix <rowmajor, double="" dynamic,=""></rowmajor,>	vsmc_state_matrix vsmc_weight
Particle <t> SingleParticle<t></t></t>	<pre>vsmc_particle vsmc_single_particle</pre>
Sampler <t> Monitor<t></t></t>	vsmc_sampler vsmc_monitor
RNG	vsmc_rng

Table a.1 C types . Note that, all template parameter T are of type StateMatrix<RowMajor, Dynamic, double>

are two overloading of the resize method. In C, only

```
1 vsmc_state_matrix s = vsmc_state_matrix_new(n, dim);
2 vsmc_state_matrix_resize(s, n, dim);
```

are accessible. In a few cases, when a getter and a setter are overloaded, get and set are inserted into the method name. For example,

```
1 double thres = sampler.threshold();
2 sampler.threshold(thres);
are translated to C as
1 double thres = vsmc_sampler_get_threshold(sampler);
2 vsmc_sampler_set_threshold(sampler, thres);
```

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Table a.2 Features accessible from C

B PERFORMANCE

B.1 RANDOM NUMBER GENERATING

B.1.1 app:sec:Random number generating

C.1 A SIMPLE PARTICLE FILTER

C.1.1 Sequential implementation

```
1 #include <vsmc/vsmc.hpp>
2 static constexpr std::size_t PosX = 0;
3 static constexpr std::size_t PosY = 1;
4 static constexpr std::size t VelX = 2;
5 static constexpr std::size_t VelY = 3;
6 using PFStateBase = vsmc::StateMatrix<vsmc::RowMajor, 4, double>;
7 class PFState : public PFStateBase
8 {
      public:
9
      using PFStateBase::PFStateBase;
10
      double log_likelihood(std::size_t t, size_type i) const
11
12
      {
          double llh_x = 10 * (this->state(i, PosX) - obs_x_[t]);
13
          double llh_y = 10 * (this->state(i, PosY) - obs_y_[t]);
14
          llh_x = std::log(1 + llh_x * llh_x / 10);
15
          llh_y = std::log(1 + llh_y * llh_y / 10);
16
          return -0.5 * (10 + 1) * (llh x + llh y);
17
      }
18
      void read_data(const char *param)
19
      {
20
          if (param == nullptr)
21
               return;
22
          std::ifstream data(param);
23
```

```
24
          while (data.good()) {
              double x;
25
              double y;
26
               data >> x >> y;
27
              if (data.good()) {
28
                  obs_x_.push_back(x);
29
                  obs_y_.push_back(y);
30
               }
31
32
          }
          data.close();
33
      }
34
      std::size t data size() const { return obs x .size(); }
35
36
      private:
      vsmc::Vector<double> obs_x_;
37
38
      vsmc::Vector<double> obs_y_;
39 };
40 class PFInit
41 {
      public:
42
      std::size_t operator()(vsmc::Particle<PFState> &particle, void *param)
43
44
          eval_param(particle, param);
45
          eval_pre(particle);
46
          std::size_t acc = 0;
47
          for (auto sp : particle)
48
              acc += eval_sp(sp);
49
          eval_post(particle);
50
          return acc;
51
      }
52
      void eval_param(vsmc::Particle<PFState> &particle, void *param)
53
54
      {
          particle.value().read_data(static_cast<const char *>(param));
55
56
```

```
void eval_pre(vsmc::Particle<PFState> &particle)
57
58
           weight_.resize(particle.size());
59
      }
60
       std::size t eval sp(vsmc::SingleParticle<PFState> sp)
61
62
           vsmc::NormalDistribution<double> norm_pos(0, 2);
63
           vsmc::NormalDistribution<double> norm vel(0, 1);
64
           sp.state(PosX) = norm_pos(sp.rng());
65
           sp.state(PosY) = norm_pos(sp.rng());
66
           sp.state(VelX) = norm vel(sp.rng());
67
           sp.state(VelY) = norm_vel(sp.rng());
68
69
           weight_[sp.id()] = sp.particle().value().log_likelihood(0, sp.id());
          return 0;
70
71
      }
      void eval post(vsmc::Particle<PFState> &particle)
72
       {
73
           particle.weight().set_log(weight_.data());
74
      }
75
      private:
76
      vsmc::Vector<double> weight_;
77
78 };
79 class PFMove
80 {
      public:
81
       std::size_t operator()(std::size_t t, vsmc::Particle<PFState> &particle)
82
83
           eval_pre(t, particle);
84
           std::size_t acc = 0;
85
           for (auto sp : particle)
86
               acc += eval_sp(t, sp);
87
           eval_post(t, particle);
```

```
89
           return 0;
       }
 90
       void eval pre(std::size t t, vsmc::Particle<PFState> &particle)
 91
 92
           auto &rng = particle.rng();
93
            const std::size_t size = particle.size();
 94
            const double sd_pos = sqrt(0.02);
 95
            const double sd vel = sqrt(0.001);
96
           pos_x_.resize(size);
 97
           pos_y_.resize(size);
98
           vel x .resize(size);
99
           vel_y_.resize(size);
100
101
           weight_.resize(size);
           vsmc::normal_distribution(rng, size, pos_x_.data(), 0.0, sd_pos);
102
           vsmc::normal_distribution(rng, size, pos_y_.data(), 0.0, sd_pos);
103
            vsmc::normal_distribution(rng, size, vel_x_.data(), 0.0, sd_vel);
104
           vsmc::normal_distribution(rng, size, vel_y_.data(), 0.0, sd_vel);
105
       }
106
       std::size_t eval_sp(std::size_t t, vsmc::SingleParticle<PFState> sp)
107
108
            sp.state(PosX) += pos_x_[sp.id()] + 0.1 * sp.state(VelX);
109
            sp.state(PosY) += pos_y_[sp.id()] + 0.1 * sp.state(VelY);
110
           sp.state(VelX) += vel_x_[sp.id()];
111
            sp.state(VelY) += vel_y_[sp.id()];
112
           weight_[sp.id()] = sp.particle().value().log_likelihood(t, sp.id());
113
           return 0;
114
       }
115
       void eval_post(std::size_t t, vsmc::Particle<PFState> &particle)
116
       {
117
            particle.weight().add_log(weight_.data());
118
       }
119
120
       private:
```

```
121
       vsmc::Vector<double> pos_x_;
       vsmc::Vector<double> pos_y_;
122
       vsmc::Vector<double> vel_x_;
123
       vsmc::Vector<double> vel_y_;
124
       vsmc::Vector<double> weight ;
125
126 };
127 class PFEval
128 {
       public:
129
       void operator()(std::size_t t, std::size_t dim,
130
           vsmc::Particle<PFState> &particle, double *r)
131
132
           eval_pre(t, particle);
133
           for (std::size_t i = 0; i != particle.size(); ++i, r += dim)
134
                eval_sp(t, dim, particle.sp(i), r);
135
           eval_post(t, particle);
136
137
       }
       void eval_pre(std::size_t t, vsmc::Particle<PFState> &particle) {}
138
       void eval_sp(std::size_t t, std::size_t dim,
139
           vsmc::SingleParticle<PFState> sp, double *r)
140
141
       {
           r[0] = sp.state(PosX);
142
           r[1] = sp.state(PosY);
143
       }
144
145
       void eval_post(std::size_t t, vsmc::Particle<PFState> &particle) {}
146 };
147 int main(int argc, char **argv)
148 {
       std::size_t N = 10000;
149
       if (argc > 1)
150
           N = static_cast<std::size_t>(std::atoi(argv[1]));
151
       vsmc::Sampler<PFState> sampler(N, vsmc::Multinomial, 0.5);
152
```

```
153
       sampler.init(PFInit()).move(PFMove(), false).monitor("pos", 2, PFEval());
       vsmc::StopWatch watch;
154
       watch.start();
155
       sampler.initialize(const_cast<char *>("pf.data"));
156
       sampler.iterate(sampler.particle().value().data_size() - 1);
157
       watch.stop();
158
       std::cout << "Time (ms): " << watch.milliseconds() << std::endl;</pre>
159
       std::ofstream output("pf.out");
160
161
       output << sampler;</pre>
       output.close();
162
163
       return 0;
164 }
   C.1.2 Parallelized implementation using TBB
 1 #include <vsmc/vsmc.hpp>
 2 using PFStateBase = vsmc::StateMatrix<vsmc::RowMajor, 4, double>;
 3 template <typename T>
  4 using PFStateSPBase = PFStateBase::single_particle_type<T>;
  5 class PFState : public PFStateBase
 6 {
 7
       public:
       using PFStateBase::StateMatrix;
       template <typename S>
 9
       class single_particle_type : public PFStateSPBase<S>
 10
 11
            public:
 12
            using PFStateSPBase<S>::single_particle_type;
 13
            double &pos_x() { return this->state(0); }
 14
            double &pos_y() { return this->state(1); }
 15
```

```
16
           double &vel_x() { return this->state(2); }
           double &vel_y() { return this->state(3); }
17
           double log_likelihood(std::size_t t)
18
19
               double llh_x = 10 * (pos_x() - obs_x(t));
20
               double llh y = 10 * (pos y() - obs y(t));
21
               llh_x = std::log(1 + llh_x * llh_x / 10);
22
               llh_y = std::log(1 + llh_y * llh_y / 10);
23
               return -0.5 * (10 + 1) * (llh_x + llh_y);
24
           }
25
           private:
26
           double obs_x(std::size_t t)
27
28
               return this->particle().value().obs_x_[t];
29
30
           }
           double obs_y(std::size_t t)
31
32
           {
33
               return this->particle().value().obs_y_[t];
           }
34
      };
35
      void read_data(const char *param)
36
37
           if (param == nullptr)
38
               return;
39
           std::ifstream data(param);
40
           while (data.good()) {
41
               double x;
42
               double y;
43
               data >> x >> y;
44
               if (data.good()) {
45
                   obs_x_.push_back(x);
46
                   obs_y_.push_back(y);
47
```

```
48
               }
49
          data.close();
50
      }
51
      std::size_t data_size() const { return obs_x_.size(); }
52
      private:
53
      vsmc::Vector<double> obs_x_;
54
      vsmc::Vector<double> obs y ;
55
56 };
57 class PFInit : public vsmc::InitializeTBB<PFState, PFInit>
58 {
59
      public:
      void eval_param(vsmc::Particle<PFState> &particle, void *param)
60
61
           particle.value().read_data(static_cast<const char *>(param));
62
63
      }
      void eval_pre(vsmc::Particle<PFState> &particle)
64
65
          weight .resize(particle.size());
66
67
      }
      std::size_t eval_sp(vsmc::SingleParticle<PFState> sp)
68
69
          vsmc::NormalDistribution<double> norm_pos(0, 2);
70
          vsmc::NormalDistribution<double> norm_vel(0, 1);
71
           sp.pos x() = norm pos(sp.rng());
72
          sp.pos y() = norm pos(sp.rng());
73
          sp.vel_x() = norm_vel(sp.rng());
74
          sp.vel_y() = norm_vel(sp.rng());
75
          weight_[sp.id()] = sp.log_likelihood(0);
76
          return 0;
77
78
      }
```

```
void eval_post(vsmc::Particle<PFState> &particle)
79
 80
            particle.weight().set_log(weight_.data());
 81
 82
       private:
 83
       vsmc::Vector<double> weight ;
 84
85 };
86 class PFMove : public vsmc::MoveTBB<PFState, PFMove>
87 {
       public:
88
       void eval pre(std::size t t, vsmc::Particle<PFState> &particle)
 89
       {
 90
 91
            weight .resize(particle.size());
       }
 92
       std::size_t eval_sp(std::size_t t, vsmc::SingleParticle<PFState> sp)
 93
 94
            vsmc::NormalDistribution<double> norm pos(0, std::sqrt(0.02));
95
            vsmc::NormalDistribution<double> norm_vel(0, std::sqrt(0.001));
96
            sp.pos_x() += norm_pos(sp.rng()) + 0.1 * sp.vel_x();
97
            sp.pos_y() += norm_pos(sp.rng()) + 0.1 * sp.vel_y();
98
            sp.vel_x() += norm_vel(sp.rng());
99
            sp.vel_y() += norm_vel(sp.rng());
100
            weight_[sp.id()] = sp.log_likelihood(t);
101
102
            return 0;
103
       }
       void eval post(std::size t t, vsmc::Particle<PFState> &particle)
104
105
            particle.weight().add_log(weight_.data());
106
       }
107
108
       private:
       vsmc::Vector<double> weight ;
109
110 };
```

```
111 class PFEval : public vsmc::MonitorEvalTBB<PFState, PFEval>
112 {
       public:
113
       void eval_sp(std::size_t t, std::size_t dim,
114
           vsmc::SingleParticle<PFState> sp, double *r)
115
116
       {
           r[0] = sp.pos_x();
117
           r[1] = sp.pos_y();
118
119
120 };
121 int main(int argc, char **argv)
122 {
123
       std::size_t N = 10000;
124
       if (argc > 1)
           N = static_cast<std::size_t>(std::atoi(argv[1]));
125
       vsmc::Sampler<PFState> sampler(N, vsmc::Multinomial, 0.5);
126
       sampler.init(PFInit()).move(PFMove(), false).monitor("pos", 2, PFEval());
127
       vsmc::StopWatch watch;
128
       watch.start();
129
       sampler.initialize(const_cast<char *>("pf.data"));
130
       sampler.iterate(sampler.particle().value().data_size() - 1);
131
       watch.stop();
132
       std::cout << "Time (ms): " << watch.milliseconds() << std::endl;</pre>
133
       std::ofstream output("pf.out");
134
       output << sampler;</pre>
135
       output.close();
136
       return 0;
137
138 }
```

C.1.3 Sequential implementation in C

```
1 #include <vsmc/vsmc.h>
 2 #include <math.h>
 3 #include <stdio.h>
 4 #include <stdlib.h>
 5 static const int PosX = 0;
 6 static const int PosY = 1;
 7 static const int VelX = 2;
 8 static const int VelY = 3;
 9 typedef struct {
      double *ptr;
10
      size_t size;
11
12 } pf_vector;
13 // Storage for data
14 static vsmc_vector pf_obs_x = {NULL, 0};
15 static vsmc_vector pf_obs_y = {NULL, 0};
16 // Temporaries used by pf_init and pf_move
17 static vsmc_vector pf_pos_x = {NULL, 0};
18 static vsmc_vector pf_pos_y = {NULL, 0};
19 static vsmc_vector pf_vel_x = {NULL, 0};
20 static vsmc_vector pf_vel_y = {NULL, 0};
21 static vsmc_vector pf_weight = {NULL, 0};
22 static inline double pf_log_likelihood(int t, const vsmc_single_particle *sp)
23 {
      double llh x = 10 * (sp->state[PosX] - pf obs x.data[t]);
24
      double llh_y = 10 * (sp->state[PosY] - pf_obs_y.data[t]);
25
      llh_x = log(1 + llh_x * llh_x / 10);
26
      llh_y = log(1 + llh_y * llh_y / 10);
27
      return -0.5 * (10 + 1) * (llh_x + llh_y);
28
29 }
```

```
30 static inline void pf_read_data(const char *param)
31 {
      if (!param)
32
           return;
33
      FILE *data = fopen(param, "r");
34
      int n = 0;
35
36
      while (1) {
           double x;
37
           double y;
38
           int nx = fscanf(data, "%lg", &x);
39
          int ny = fscanf(data, "%lg", &y);
40
          if (nx == 1 && ny == 1)
41
               ++n;
42
           else
43
               break;
44
45
       }
       vsmc_vector_resize(&pf_obs_x, n);
46
47
      vsmc_vector_resize(&pf_obs_y, n);
      fseek(data, 0, SEEK_SET);
48
       for (int i = 0; i < n; ++i) {</pre>
49
           fscanf(data, "%lg", &pf_obs_x.data[i]);
50
           fscanf(data, "%lg", &pf_obs_y.data[i]);
51
52
      fclose(data);
53
54 }
55 static inline void pf_normal(
      vsmc_particle particle, double sd_pos, double sd_vel)
56
57 {
      vsmc rng rng = vsmc particle rng(particle, 0);
58
       const int size = vsmc_particle_size(particle);
59
      vsmc_vector_resize(&pf_pos_x, size);
60
      vsmc_vector_resize(&pf_pos_y, size);
61
      vsmc_vector_resize(&pf_vel_x, size);
62
      vsmc_vector_resize(&pf_vel_y, size);
63
      vsmc_vector_resize(&pf_weight, size);
64
      vsmc_normal_rand(rng, size, pf_pos_x.data, 0, sd_pos);
65
```

```
vsmc normal rand(rng, size, pf_pos_y.data, 0, sd_pos);
66
      vsmc_normal_rand(rng, size, pf_vel_x.data, 0, sd_vel);
67
       vsmc_normal_rand(rng, size, pf_vel_y.data, 0, sd_vel);
68
69 }
70 static inline int pf init(vsmc particle particle, void *param)
71 {
      pf_read_data((const char *) param);
72
      pf normal(particle, 2, 1);
73
      const int size = vsmc_particle_size(particle);
74
      for (int i = 0; i < size; ++i) {</pre>
75
76
           vsmc_single_particle sp = vsmc_particle_sp(particle, i);
77
           sp.state[PosX] = pf pos x.data[i];
           sp.state[PosY] = pf_pos_y.data[i];
78
           sp.state[VelX] = pf_vel_x.data[i];
79
           sp.state[VelY] = pf_vel_y.data[i];
80
           pf_weight.data[i] = pf_log_likelihood(0, &sp);
81
       }
82
      vsmc_weight_set_log(vsmc_particle_weight(particle), pf_weight.data, 1);
83
       return 0;
84
85 }
86 static inline int pf move(int t, vsmc particle particle)
87 {
88
      pf normal(particle, sqrt(0.02), sqrt(0.001));
      const int size = vsmc particle size(particle);
89
       for (int i = 0; i < size; ++i) {</pre>
90
           vsmc_single_particle sp = vsmc_particle_sp(particle, i);
91
           sp.state[PosX] += pf_pos_x.data[i] + 0.1 * sp.state[VelX];
92
           sp.state[PosY] += pf_pos_y.data[i] + 0.1 * sp.state[VelY];
93
           sp.state[VelX] += pf_vel_x.data[i];
94
           sp.state[VelY] += pf vel y.data[i];
95
           pf_weight.data[i] = pf_log_likelihood(t, &sp);
96
```

```
97
      }
       vsmc_weight_add_log(vsmc_particle_weight(particle), pf_weight.data, 1);
98
99
       return 0;
100 }
101 static inline void pf_eval(int t, int dim, vsmc_particle particle, double *r)
102 {
       const int size = vsmc particle size(particle);
103
       for (int i = 0; i < size; ++i) {</pre>
104
           vsmc_single_particle sp = vsmc_particle_sp(particle, i);
105
106
           *r++ = sp.state[PosX];
           *r++ = sp.state[PosY];
107
108
109 }
110 int main(int argc, char **argv)
111 {
       int N = 10000;
112
       if (argc > 1)
113
           N = atoi(argv[1]);
114
       vsmc_sampler = vsmc_sampler_new(N, 4, vSMCMultinomial, 0.5);
115
       vsmc_sampler_init(sampler, pf_init);
116
       vsmc_sampler_move(sampler, pf_move, 0);
117
       vsmc_sampler_set_monitor(sampler, "pos", 2, pf_eval, 0, vSMCMonitorMCMC);
118
119
       vsmc_stop_watch watch = vsmc_stop_watch_new();
       vsmc stop watch start(watch);
120
       vsmc sampler initialize(sampler, (void *) "pf.data");
121
       vsmc_sampler_iterate(sampler, pf_obs_x.size - 1);
122
       vsmc_stop_watch_stop(watch);
123
       printf("Time (ms): %lg\n", vsmc_stop_watch_milliseconds(watch));
124
       vsmc_stop_watch_delete(&watch);
125
       vsmc sampler print f(sampler, "pf.out");
126
```

```
vsmc_sampler_delete(&sampler);
127
       vsmc_vector_delete(&pf_obs_x);
128
       vsmc_vector_delete(&pf_obs_y);
129
       vsmc_vector_delete(&pf_pos_x);
130
       vsmc_vector_delete(&pf_pos_y);
131
       vsmc_vector_delete(&pf_vel_x);
132
       vsmc_vector_delete(&pf_vel_y);
133
       vsmc_vector_delete(&pf_weight);
134
       return 0;
135
136 }
```

C.1.4 Parallelized implementation using TBB in C

```
1 #include <vsmc/vsmc.h>
2 #include <math.h>
3 #include <stdio.h>
4 #include <stdlib.h>
5 static const int PosX = 0;
6 static const int PosY = 1;
7 static const int VelX = 2;
8 static const int VelY = 3;
9 // Storage for data
10 static vsmc_vector pf_obs_x = {NULL, 0};
11 static vsmc_vector pf_obs_y = {NULL, 0};
12 // Temporaries used by pf_init and pf_move
13 static vsmc vector pf pos x = {NULL, 0};
14 static vsmc vector pf pos y = {NULL, 0};
15 static vsmc_vector pf_vel_x = {NULL, 0};
16 static vsmc_vector pf_vel_y = {NULL, 0};
17 static vsmc_vector pf_weight = {NULL, 0};
18 static inline double pf_log_likelihood(int t, const vsmc_single_particle *sp)
19 {
      double llh_x = 10 * (sp->state[PosX] - pf_obs_x.data[t]);
20
```

```
21
      double llh_y = 10 * (sp->state[PosY] - pf_obs_y.data[t]);
      llh_x = log(1 + llh_x * llh_x / 10);
22
      llh_y = log(1 + llh_y * llh_y / 10);
23
      return -0.5 * (10 + 1) * (llh_x + llh_y);
24
25 }
26 static inline void pf_read_data(const char *param)
27 {
28
      if (!param)
          return;
29
      FILE *data = fopen(param, "r");
30
      int n = 0;
31
32
      while (1) {
          double x;
33
34
          double y;
          int nx = fscanf(data, "%lg", &x);
35
          int ny = fscanf(data, "%lg", &y);
36
          if (nx == 1 && ny == 1)
37
38
              ++n;
39
           else
              break;
40
41
       }
      vsmc_vector_resize(&pf_obs_x, n);
42
      vsmc_vector_resize(&pf_obs_y, n);
43
      fseek(data, 0, SEEK_SET);
44
      for (int i = 0; i < n; ++i) {</pre>
45
           fscanf(data, "%lg", &pf obs x.data[i]);
46
           fscanf(data, "%lg", &pf obs y.data[i]);
47
48
49
      fclose(data);
50 }
51 static inline void pf_normal(
      vsmc_particle particle, double sd_pos, double sd_vel)
52
53 {
      vsmc_rng rng = vsmc_particle_rng(particle, 0);
54
```

```
const int size = vsmc_particle_size(particle);
55
      vsmc_vector_resize(&pf_pos_x, size);
56
      vsmc_vector_resize(&pf_pos_y, size);
57
      vsmc_vector_resize(&pf_vel_x, size);
58
      vsmc_vector_resize(&pf_vel_y, size);
59
      vsmc vector resize(&pf weight, size);
60
      vsmc_normal_rand(rng, size, pf_pos_x.data, 0, sd_pos);
61
      vsmc_normal_rand(rng, size, pf_pos_y.data, 0, sd_pos);
62
      vsmc_normal_rand(rng, size, pf_vel_x.data, 0, sd_vel);
63
      vsmc_normal_rand(rng, size, pf_vel_y.data, 0, sd_vel);
64
65 }
66 static inline void pf init param(vsmc particle particle, void *param)
67 {
      pf_read_data((const char *) param);
68
69 }
70 static inline void pf_init_pre(vsmc_particle particle)
71 {
      pf normal(particle, 2, 1);
72
73 }
74 static inline int pf_init_sp(vsmc_single_particle sp)
75 {
76
      sp.state[PosX] = pf_pos_x.data[sp.id];
      sp.state[PosY] = pf_pos_y.data[sp.id];
77
      sp.state[VelX] = pf vel x.data[sp.id];
78
      sp.state[VelY] = pf_vel_y.data[sp.id];
79
      pf weight.data[sp.id] = pf log likelihood(0, &sp);
80
      return 0;
81
82 }
83 static inline void pf_init_post(vsmc_particle particle)
84 {
      vsmc_weight_set_log(vsmc_particle_weight(particle), pf_weight.data, 1);
85
86 }
```

```
87 static inline void pf_move_pre(int t, vsmc_particle particle)
88 {
       pf normal(particle, sqrt(0.02), sqrt(0.001));
89
90 }
91 static inline int pf move sp(int t, vsmc single particle sp)
92 {
       sp.state[PosX] += pf_pos_x.data[sp.id] + 0.1 * sp.state[VelX];
93
       sp.state[PosY] += pf_pos_y.data[sp.id] + 0.1 * sp.state[VelY];
94
       sp.state[VelX] += pf vel x.data[sp.id];
95
       sp.state[VelY] += pf_vel_y.data[sp.id];
96
       pf_weight.data[sp.id] = pf_log_likelihood(t, &sp);
97
98
       return 0;
99 }
100 static inline void pf_move_post(int t, vsmc_particle particle)
101 {
102
       vsmc_weight_add_log(vsmc_particle_weight(particle), pf_weight.data, 1);
103 }
104 static inline void pf eval sp(
       int t, int dim, vsmc single particle sp, double *r)
105
106 {
       r[0] = sp.state[PosX];
107
108
       r[1] = sp.state[PosY];
109 }
110 int main(int argc, char **argv)
111 {
112
       int N = 10000;
       if (argc > 1)
113
           N = atoi(argv[1]);
114
       vsmc_sampler = vsmc_sampler_new(N, 4, vSMCMultinomial, 0.5);
115
       vsmc_sampler_init_tbb(
116
           sampler, pf_init_sp, pf_init_param, pf_init_pre, pf_init_post);
117
       vsmc_sampler_move_tbb(sampler, pf_move_sp, pf_move_pre, pf_move_post, 0);
118
```

```
vsmc_sampler_set_monitor_tbb(
119
            sampler, "pos", 2, pf_eval_sp, NULL, NULL, 0, vSMCMonitorMCMC);
120
       vsmc_stop_watch watch = vsmc_stop_watch_new();
121
       vsmc_stop_watch_start(watch);
122
       vsmc sampler initialize(sampler, (void *) "pf.data");
123
       vsmc_sampler_iterate(sampler, pf_obs_x.size - 1);
124
       vsmc stop watch stop(watch);
125
       printf("Time (ms): %lg\n", vsmc_stop_watch_milliseconds(watch));
126
       vsmc stop watch delete(&watch);
127
       vsmc_sampler_print_f(sampler, "pf.out");
128
       vsmc_sampler_delete(&sampler);
129
130
       vsmc vector delete(&pf obs x);
       vsmc_vector_delete(&pf_obs_y);
131
       vsmc_vector_delete(&pf_pos_x);
132
       vsmc_vector_delete(&pf_pos_y);
133
       vsmc_vector_delete(&pf_vel_x);
134
       vsmc_vector_delete(&pf_vel_y);
135
       vsmc_vector_delete(&pf_weight);
136
       return 0;
137
138 }
```

C.1.5 Parallelized implementation using OpenCL

Host program

```
1 #include <vsmc/vsmc.hpp>
2 static constexpr std::size_t N = 10000; // Number of particles
3 static constexpr std::size_t n = 100; // Number of data points
4 static constexpr std::size_t PosX = 0;
5 static constexpr std::size_t PosY = 1;
6 static constexpr std::size_t VelX = 2;
7 static constexpr std::size_t VelY = 3;
```

```
8 static constexpr std::size_t G = 10240;
9 static constexpr std::size_t L = 256;
10 typedef struct {
      cl_float pos_x;
      cl float pos y;
12
     cl_float vel_x;
13
      cl_float vel_y;
14
15 } cl_pf_sp;
16 using PFStateBase = vsmc::StateMatrix<vsmc::RowMajor, 1, cl_pf_sp>;
17 class PFState : public PFStateBase
18 {
19
      public:
      using size_type = cl_int;
20
      using PFStateBase::StateMatrix;
21
      void initialize(const vsmc::CLContext &context,
22
          const vsmc::CLCommandQueue &command queue,
23
          const vsmc::CLKernel &kernel)
24
25
      {
          command queue = command queue;
26
           kernel_ = kernel;
27
          dev_data_ =
28
               vsmc::CLMemory(context, CL MEM READ WRITE | CL MEM HOST READ ONLY,
29
                   sizeof(cl_pf_sp) * size());
30
31
          dev weight =
              vsmc::CLMemory(context, CL MEM WRITE ONLY | CL MEM HOST READ ONLY,
32
                   sizeof(cl float) * size());
33
          dev_rng_set_ =
34
              vsmc::CLMemory(context, CL_MEM_WRITE_ONLY | CL_MEM_HOST_READ_ONLY,
35
                   sizeof(vsmc_threefry4x32) * size());
36
          dev_index_ =
37
               vsmc::CLMemory(context, CL MEM READ ONLY | CL MEM HOST WRITE ONLY,
38
                   sizeof(cl_int) * size());
39
          dev_obs_x_ = vsmc::CLMemory(context,
40
```

```
CL_MEM_READ_ONLY | CL_MEM_HOST_WRITE_ONLY, sizeof(cl_float) * n);
41
           dev_obs_y_ = vsmc::CLMemory(context,
42
               CL_MEM_READ_ONLY | CL_MEM_HOST_WRITE_ONLY, sizeof(cl_float) * n);
43
      }
44
      void copy(std::size t N, const cl int *index)
45
      {
46
           command_queue_.enqueue_write_buffer(dev_index_, CL_TRUE, 0,
47
               sizeof(cl_int) * N, const_cast<cl_int *>(index));
48
           kernel_.set_arg(0, static_cast<cl_int>(size()));
49
           kernel_.set_arg(1, dev_data_);
50
           kernel .set arg(2, dev index );
51
           command_queue_.enqueue_nd_range_kernel(kernel_, 1, vsmc::CLNDRange(),
52
               vsmc::CLNDRange(G), vsmc::CLNDRange(L));
53
           command_queue_.finish();
54
55
      }
56
      void copy to host()
      {
57
           command_queue_.enqueue_read_buffer(
58
               dev_data_, CL_TRUE, 0, sizeof(cl_pf_sp) * size(), data());
59
      }
60
      void read data(const char *param)
61
62
           if (param == nullptr)
63
64
               return;
           vsmc::Vector<cl float> obs x(n);
65
           vsmc::Vector<cl_float> obs_y(n);
66
           std::ifstream data(param);
67
           for (std::size_t i = 0; i != n; ++i)
68
               data >> obs_x[i] >> obs_y[i];
69
           data.close();
70
           command queue .enqueue write buffer(
71
```

```
72
               dev_obs_x_, CL_TRUE, 0, sizeof(cl_float) * n, obs_x.data());
           command queue .enqueue write buffer(
73
               dev_obs_y_, CL_TRUE, 0, sizeof(cl_float) * n, obs_y.data());
74
75
       }
       const vsmc::CLMemory &dev data() const { return dev data ; }
76
       const vsmc::CLMemory &dev weight() const { return dev weight ; }
77
78
       const vsmc::CLMemory &dev_rng_set() const { return dev_rng_set_; }
       const vsmc::CLMemory &dev_obs_x() const { return dev_obs_x_; }
79
       const vsmc::CLMemory &dev_obs_y() const { return dev_obs_y_; }
 80
       private:
81
       vsmc::CLCommandQueue command queue ;
82
       vsmc::CLKernel kernel_;
83
84
       vsmc::CLMemory dev data ;
       vsmc::CLMemory dev_rng_set_;
85
       vsmc::CLMemory dev_weight_;
86
       vsmc::CLMemory dev_index_;
87
       vsmc::CLMemory dev_obs_x_;
88
       vsmc::CLMemory dev_obs_y_;
89
90 };
91 class PFInit
92 {
       public:
93
       PFInit(const vsmc::CLCommandQueue &command_queue,
94
           const vsmc::CLKernel &kernel)
95
            : command_queue_(command_queue), kernel_(kernel)
96
97
       {
       }
98
       std::size_t operator()(vsmc::Particle<PFState> &particle, void *param)
99
100
           particle.value().read_data(static_cast<const char *>(param));
101
           kernel .set arg(0, static cast<cl int>(particle.size()));
102
           kernel .set arg(1, particle.value().dev data());
103
           kernel_.set_arg(2, particle.value().dev_rng_set());
104
```

```
105
            kernel_.set_arg(3, particle.value().dev_weight());
            kernel_.set_arg(4, particle.value().dev_obs_x());
106
            kernel_.set_arg(5, particle.value().dev_obs_y());
107
            command_queue_.enqueue_nd_range_kernel(kernel_, 1, vsmc::CLNDRange(),
108
                vsmc::CLNDRange(G), vsmc::CLNDRange(L));
109
            command queue .finish();
110
            weight .resize(particle.size());
111
            command queue .enqueue read buffer(particle.value().dev weight(),
112
                CL_TRUE, 0, sizeof(cl_float) * particle.size(), weight_.data());
113
            particle.weight().set_log(weight_.data());
114
            return 0;
115
116
       }
117
       private:
118
       vsmc::CLCommandQueue command_queue_;
119
       vsmc::CLKernel kernel ;
       vsmc::Vector<cl float> weight ;
120
121 };
122 class PFMove
123 {
       public:
124
       PFMove(const vsmc::CLCommandQueue &command_queue,
125
            const vsmc::CLKernel &kernel)
126
            : command_queue_(command_queue), kernel_(kernel)
127
128
       {
       }
129
       std::size_t operator()(std::size_t t, vsmc::Particle<PFState> &particle)
130
131
            kernel_.set_arg(0, static_cast<cl_int>(t));
132
            kernel_.set_arg(1, static_cast<cl_int>(particle.size()));
133
            kernel .set arg(2, particle.value().dev data());
134
            kernel .set arg(3, particle.value().dev rng set());
135
            kernel .set arg(4, particle.value().dev weight());
136
```

```
kernel_.set_arg(5, particle.value().dev_obs_x());
137
            kernel_.set_arg(6, particle.value().dev_obs_y());
138
            command_queue_.enqueue_nd_range_kernel(kernel_, 1, vsmc::CLNDRange(),
139
                vsmc::CLNDRange(G), vsmc::CLNDRange(L));
140
           command queue .finish();
141
           weight .resize(particle.size());
142
           command_queue_.enqueue_read_buffer(particle.value().dev_weight(),
143
                CL_TRUE, 0, sizeof(cl_float) * particle.size(), weight_.data());
144
           particle.weight().add_log(weight_.data());
145
           return 0;
146
       }
147
148
       private:
       vsmc::CLCommandQueue command_queue_;
149
       vsmc::CLKernel kernel_;
150
       vsmc::Vector<cl_float> weight_;
151
152 };
153 class PFEval : public vsmc::MonitorEvalTBB<PFState, PFEval>
154 {
       public:
155
       void eval_pre(std::size_t t, vsmc::Particle<PFState> &particle)
156
157
            particle.value().copy_to_host();
158
       }
159
       void eval sp(std::size t t, std::size t dim,
160
           vsmc::SingleParticle<PFState> sp, double *r)
161
162
       {
           r[0] = sp.state(0).pos_x;
163
           r[1] = sp.state(0).pos_y;
164
165
        }
166 };
167 int main()
```

```
168 {
       auto platform = vsmc::cl_get_platform().front();
169
       std::string platform name;
170
       platform.get_info(CL_PLATFORM_NAME, platform_name);
171
       std::cout << "Platform: " << platform name << std::endl;</pre>
172
       auto device = platform.get device(CL DEVICE TYPE DEFAULT).front();
173
       std::string device name;
174
       device.get_info(CL_DEVICE_NAME, device_name);
175
       std::cout << "Device: " << device name << std::endl;</pre>
176
       vsmc::CLContext context(vsmc::CLContextProperties(platform), 1, &device);
177
       vsmc::CLCommandQueue command queue(context, device);
178
179
       std::ifstream source cl("pf ocl.cl");
       std::string source((std::istreambuf iterator<char>(source cl)),
180
            std::istreambuf_iterator<char>());
181
       source cl.close();
182
183
       vsmc::CLProgram program(context, 1, &source);
       program.build(1, &device, "-I ../../include");
184
       vsmc::CLKernel kernel copy(program, "copy");
185
       vsmc::CLKernel kernel init(program, "init");
186
       vsmc::CLKernel kernel_move(program, "move");
187
188
       std::size_t pwgsm_copy = 0;
       std::size t pwgsm init = 0;
189
       std::size_t pwgsm_move = 0;
190
       kernel copy.get work group info(
191
            device, CL KERNEL PREFERRED WORK GROUP SIZE MULTIPLE, pwgsm copy);
192
       kernel_init.get_work_group_info(
193
            device, CL_KERNEL_PREFERRED_WORK_GROUP_SIZE_MULTIPLE, pwgsm_init);
194
       kernel_move.get_work_group_info(
195
            device, CL_KERNEL_PREFERRED_WORK_GROUP_SIZE_MULTIPLE, pwgsm_move);
196
       std::cout << "Kernel copy preferred work group size multiple: "</pre>
197
                  << pwgsm copy << std::endl;
198
```

```
std::cout << "Kernel init preferred work group size multiple: "</pre>
199
                  << pwgsm_init << std::endl;
200
        std::cout << "Kernel move preferred work group size multiple: "</pre>
201
                  << pwgsm_move << std::endl;
202
        vsmc::Sampler<PFState> sampler(N, vsmc::Multinomial, 0.5);
203
        sampler.particle().value().initialize(context, command queue, kernel copy);
204
        sampler.init(PFInit(command queue, kernel init));
205
        sampler.move(PFMove(command_queue, kernel_move), false);
206
        sampler.monitor("pos", 2, PFEval());
207
        vsmc::StopWatch watch;
208
       watch.start();
209
        sampler.initialize(const_cast<char *>("pf.data")).iterate(n - 1);
210
211
       watch.stop();
        std::cout << "Time (ms): " << watch.milliseconds() << std::endl;</pre>
212
       std::ofstream output("pf.out");
213
214
       output << sampler;</pre>
       output.close();
215
216
       return 0;
217 }
   Device program
 1 #include <vsmc/rngc/rngc.h>
 2 typedef struct {
       float pos x;
       float pos y;
 4
       float vel_x;
  5
       float vel_y;
 7 } pf_sp;
 8 static inline float log_likelihood(const pf_sp *sp, float obs_x, float obs_y)
 9 {
       float llh_x = 10 * (sp->pos_x - obs_x);
 10
```

```
float llh_y = 10 * (sp->pos_y - obs_y);
11
      llh_x = log(1 + llh_x * llh_x / 10);
12
      llh_y = log(1 + llh_y * llh_y / 10);
13
      return -0.5f * (10 + 1) * (llh_x + llh_y);
14
15 }
16 static inline void rnorm(vsmc_threefry4x32 *rng, float *r)
17 {
      uint32_t u32[4];
18
      u32[0] = vsmc_threefry4x32_rand(rng);
19
      u32[1] = vsmc_threefry4x32_rand(rng);
20
      u32[2] = vsmc threefry4x32 rand(rng);
21
      u32[3] = vsmc_threefry4x32_rand(rng);
22
      float u01[4];
23
      u01[0] = vsmc_u01_co_u32f(u32[0]);
24
      u01[1] = vsmc_u01_co_u32f(u32[1]);
25
26
      u01[2] = vsmc_u01_co_u32f(u32[2]);
      u01[3] = vsmc_u01_co_u32f(u32[3]);
27
      u01[0] = sqrt(-2 * log(u01[0]));
28
      u01[1] = sqrt(-2 * log(u01[1]));
29
      u01[2] *= 2;
30
      u01[3] *= 2;
31
      r[0] = u01[0] * sinpi(u01[2]);
32
      r[1] = u01[0] * cospi(u01[2]);
33
34
      r[2] = u01[1] * sinpi(u01[3]);
      r[3] = u01[1] * cospi(u01[3]);
35
36 }
37 static inline float init_sp(
      pf_sp *sp, vsmc_threefry4x32 *rng, float obs_x, float obs_y)
38
39 {
      vsmc_threefry4x32_init(rng, get_global_id(0));
40
      float r[4];
41
```

```
42
      rnorm(rng, r);
      const float sd_pos = 2.0f;
43
      const float sd_vel = 1.0f;
44
      sp->pos_x = r[0] * sd_pos;
45
      sp->pos_y = r[1] * sd_pos;
46
      sp->vel_x = r[2] * sd_vel;
47
      sp->vel_y = r[3] * sd_vel;
48
      return log_likelihood(sp, obs_x, obs_y);
49
50 }
51 static inline float move_sp(
      pf sp *sp, vsmc threefry4x32 *rng, float obs x, float obs y)
53 {
54
      float r[4];
55
      rnorm(rng, r);
      const float sd_pos = sqrt(0.02f);
56
      const float sd_vel = sqrt(0.001f);
57
      sp->pos_x += r[0] * sd_pos + 0.1f * sp->vel_x;
58
      sp->pos_y += r[1] * sd_pos + 0.1f * sp->vel_y;
59
      sp\rightarrow vel_x += r[2] * sd_vel;
60
      sp->vel_y += r[3] * sd_vel;
61
62
      return log_likelihood(sp, obs_x, obs_y);
63 }
64 __kernel void copy(int N, __global pf_sp *state, const __global int *index)
65 {
66
      int i = get_global_id(0);
      if (i >= N)
67
68
          return;
      state[i] = state[index[i]];
69
70 }
71 __kernel void init(int N, __global pf_sp *state,
     __global vsmc_threefry4x32 *rng_set, __global float *weight,
72
      const __global float *obs_x, const __global float *obs_y)
73
```

```
74 {
      int i = get_global_id(0);
75
      if (i >= N)
76
77
          return;
      pf sp sp = state[i];
78
      vsmc_threefry4x32 rng = rng_set[i];
79
      weight[i] = init_sp(&sp, &rng, obs_x[0], obs_y[0]);
80
      state[i] = sp;
81
      rng_set[i] = rng;
83 }
84 kernel void move(int t, int N, global pf sp *state,
      __global vsmc_threefry4x32 *rng_set, __global float *weight,
85
86
      const __global float *obs_x, const __global float *obs_y)
87 {
      int i = get_global_id(0);
88
      if (i >= N)
89
90
          return;
      pf_sp sp = state[i];
91
      vsmc_threefry4x32 rng = rng_set[i];
92
      weight[i] = move_sp(&sp, &rng, obs_x[t], obs_y[t]);
93
      state[i] = sp;
94
      rng_set[i] = rng;
95
96 }
  C.2 PROCESS COMMAND LINE PROGRAM OPTIONS
1 #include <vsmc/vsmc.hpp>
2 int main(int argc, char **argv)
3 {
4
      int n;
```

std::string str;

std::vector<double> vec;

5

```
7
       vsmc::ProgramOptionMap option_map;
8
       option map
           .add("str", "A string option with a default value", &str, "default")
9
           .add("n", "An integer option", &n)
10
           .add("vec", "A vector option", &vec);
11
       option_map.process(argc, argv);
12
       std::cout << "n: " << n << std::endl;</pre>
13
       std::cout << "str: " << str << std::endl;</pre>
14
      std::cout << "vec: ";</pre>
15
16
      for (auto v : vec)
           std::cout << v << ' ';
17
      std::cout << std::endl;</pre>
18
19
      return 0;
20 }
```

C.3 DISPLAY PROGRAM PROGRESS

```
1 #include <vsmc/vsmc.hpp>
2 int main()
3 {
      vsmc::RNG rng;
4
      vsmc::FisherFDistribution<double> dist(10, 20);
5
      std::size t n = 1000;
6
      double r = 0;
7
      vsmc::Progress progress;
8
      progress.start(n * n);
9
      for (std::size t i = 0; i != n; ++i) {
10
11
          std::stringstream ss;
          ss << "i = " << i;
12
          progress.message(ss.str());
13
         for (std::size_t j = 0; j != n; ++j) {
14
              for (std::size_t k = 0; k != n; ++k)
15
                  r += dist(rng);
16
              progress.increment();
17
```