

# Project 6

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## Problem 15: Monte Carlo estimation of an expected value

**Proof 1:**  $\mathbb{E}[\hat{g}(X)] = \mathbb{E}[g(X)]$

Using the properties of the expectation and the fact that  $\mathbb{E}[g(X_i)] = \mathbb{E}[g(X)]$ :

$$\mathbb{E}[\hat{g}(X)] = \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N g(X_i)\right] = \frac{1}{N} \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i=1}^N g(X_i)\right] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{E}[g(X_i)] = \frac{N}{N} \mathbb{E}[g(X)] = \mathbb{E}[g(X)]$$

**Proof 2:**  $Var(\hat{g}(X)) = \frac{Var(g(X))}{N}$

Bienaymé's identity states that:

$$Var\left(\sum_{i=1}^N X_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^N Var(X_i) + \sum_{\substack{i,j=1 \\ i \neq j}}^N Cov(X_i, X_j) = \sum_{i,j=1}^N Cov(X_i, X_j)$$

Since the covariance between any pair of independent random variables is zero we get the following.

$$Var\left(\sum_{i=1}^N X_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^N Var(X_i)$$

Specifically for our proof we have that:

$$Var(\hat{g}(X)) = Var\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^N g(X_i)}{N}\right)$$

Using one of the properties of the variance we can pull out the constant  $N$  and obtain the following:

$$Var\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^N g(X_i)}{N}\right) = \frac{1}{N^2} Var\left(\sum_{i=1}^N g(X_i)\right)$$

Then using Bienaymé's identity we have that:

$$\frac{1}{N^2} Var\left(\sum_{i=1}^N g(X_i)\right) = \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{i=1}^N Var(g(X_i))$$

Finally since all the  $X_i$ 's are i.i.d with variance equal to  $Var(g(X))$  we arrive at the expression we had seek to proof.

$$\frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{i=1}^N \text{Var}(g(X_i)) = \frac{N}{N^2} \text{Var}(g(X)) = \frac{\text{Var}(g(X))}{N}$$

**Problem 16: Sampling in the Rain Network**

**a) Derive the expressions for  $P(C = T|R = T, S = T, W = T)$ ,  $P(C = T|R = F, S = T, W = T)$ ,  $P(R = T|C = T, S = T, W = T)$  and  $P(R = T|C = F, S = T, W = T)$  and compute their values.**

**a.i)**

$$\begin{aligned} P(C = T|R = T, S = T, W = T) &= P(C = T|R = T, S = T) \\ &= \frac{P(C = T)P(S = T, R = T|C = T)}{P(S = T, R = T)} \\ &= \frac{P(C = T)P(S = T|C = T)P(R = T|C = T)}{P(C = T)P(S = T|C = T)P(R = T|C = T) + P(C = F)P(S = T|C = F)P(R = T|C = F)} \\ &= \frac{0.5 * 0.1 * 0.8}{0.53 * 0.1 * 0.8 + 0.5 * 0.5 * 0.2} = 0.4444 \end{aligned}$$

**a.ii)**

$$\begin{aligned} P(C = T|R = F, S = T, W = T) &= \\ &= \frac{P(C = T)P(S = T|C = T)P(R = F|C = T)}{P(C = T)P(S = T|C = T)P(R = F|C = T) + P(C = F)P(S = T|C = F)P(R = F|C = F)} \\ &= \frac{0.5 * 0.1 * 0.2}{0.5 * 0.1 * 0.2 + 0.5 * 0.5 * 0.8} = 0.04761905 \end{aligned}$$

**a.iii)**

$$\begin{aligned} P(R = T|C = T, S = T, W = T) &= \\ &= \frac{P(R = T|C = T, S = T)P(W = T|R = T, C = T, S = T)}{P(W = T|C = T, S = T)} = \\ &= \frac{P(R = T|C = T)P(W = T|R = T, S = T)}{P(W = T|C = T, S = T)} = \\ &= \frac{P(R = T|C = T)P(W = T|R = T, S = T)}{P(R = T|C = T)P(W = T|R = T, S = T) + P(R = F|C = T)P(W = T|R = F, S = T)} \\ &= \frac{0.8 * 0.99}{0.8 * 0.99 + 0.2 * 0.9} = 0.8148 \end{aligned}$$

**a.iv)**

$$\begin{aligned} P(R = T|C = F, S = T, W = T) &= \\ &= \frac{P(R = T|C = F)P(W = T|R = T, S = T)}{P(R = T|C = F)P(W = T|R = T, S = T) + P(R = F|C = F)P(W = T|R = F, S = T)} \\ &= \frac{0.2 * 0.99}{0.2 * 0.99 + 0.8 * 0.9} = 0.2156863 \end{aligned}$$

b) Implement the Gibbs sampler for the Bayesian network

```
#returns 1 with probability p, and 0 with probability 1-p
rbernoulli=function(p){return(1*runif(1)<p)}
```

```
# sample from distribution X given Y above
sample_CgivenR = function(R){
  if(R==0){
    C = rbernoulli(0.0476) # returns 1 with probability 0.2; otherwise 0
  } else {
    C = rbernoulli(0.4444)
  }
  return(C)
}

#' sample from distribution Y given X above
sample_RgivenC = function(C){
  if(C==0){
    R = rbernoulli(0.2157)
  } else {
    R = rbernoulli(0.8148)
  }
  return(R)
}

set.seed(100)
niter = 100
C = rep(0,niter)
R = rep(0,niter)
C[1]=1
R[1]=1 # start from (1,1)
for(i in 2:niter){
  C[i] = sample_CgivenR(R[i-1])
  R[i] = sample_RgivenC(C[i])
}

res = data.frame(C=C,R=R)

#Display a 2-by-2 table for the sampled R and C.
#1=True, 0=False
#Row is Cloudy, Column is Rain

table=table(res)/niter
table
```

```
##      R
## C      0      1
##  0 0.64 0.19
##  1 0.04 0.13
```

c) Estimate the marginal probability of rain, given that the sprinkler is on and the grass is wet  
 You sum over the C's/ marginalised over C.

```
colSums(table)

##      0      1
```

```
## 0.68 0.32
```

d) Draw 50,000 samples instead of 100 using the Gibbs sampler

```
niter = 50000
C = rep(0,niter)
R = rep(0,niter)
C[1]=1
R[1]=1 # start from (1,1)
for(i in 2:niter){
  C[i] = sample_CgivenR(R[i-1])
  R[i] = sample_RgivenC(C[i])
}
res50000run1 = data.frame(C=C,R=R)
head(res50000run1)

##    C R
## 1 1 1
## 2 1 1
## 3 1 0
## 4 0 0
## 5 0 0
## 6 0 0

#Print the table
table50000run1=table(res50000run1)/niter
table50000run1

##      R
## C      0      1
## 0 0.64474 0.17914
## 1 0.03194 0.14418

colSums(table50000run1)

##      0      1
## 0.67668 0.32332
```

e) Plot the relative frequencies of  $R = T$  and  $C = T$  up to each iteration  $t$  against  $t$ , for two independent runs of the sampler. Suggest a burn-in time based on this plot.

```
#First Run of Gibbs sampler
freqC<-c()
freqR<-c()
for(i in 1:niter){
  freqC<-append(freqC,sum(res50000run1$C[1:i])/i)
  freqR<-append(freqR,sum(res50000run1$R[1:i])/i)
}

#Second Run of Gibbs sampler
niter = 50000
C = rep(0,niter)
R = rep(0,niter)
C[1]=1
R[1]=1 # start from (1,1)
for(i in 2:niter){
```

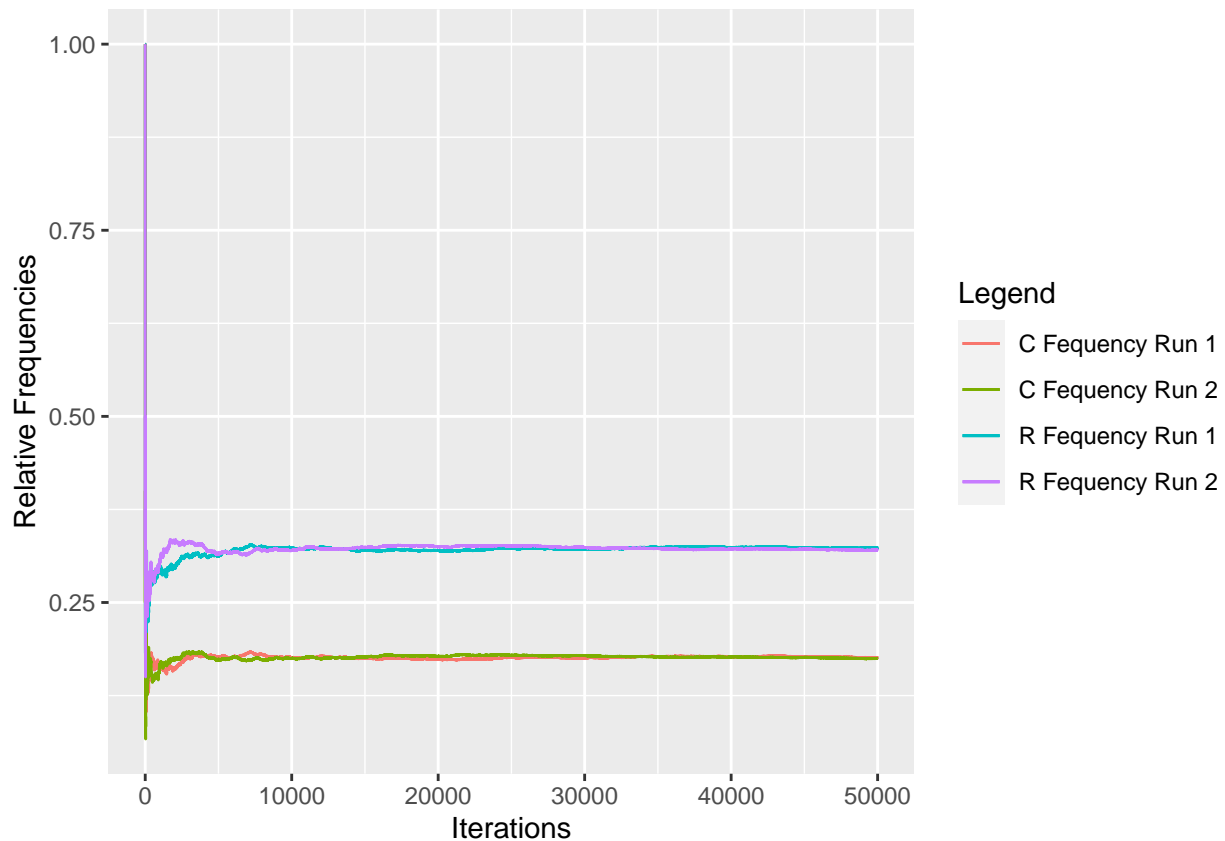
```

C[i] = sample_CgivenR(R[i-1])
R[i] = sample_RgivenC(C[i])
}
res50000run2 = data.frame(C=C,R=R)

freqC2<-c()
freqR2<-c()
for(i in 1:niter){
  freqC2<-append(freqC2,sum(res50000run2$C[1:i])/i)
  freqR2<-append(freqR2,sum(res50000run2$R[1:i])/i)
}

df <- data.frame((1:niter),freqC,freqR,freqC2,freqR2)
ggplot(df, aes(1:niter)) +
  geom_line(aes(y=freqC, colour="C Frequency Run 1")) +
  geom_line(aes(y=freqR, colour="R Frequency Run 1")) +
  geom_line(aes(y=freqC2, colour="C Frequency Run 2")) +
  geom_line(aes(y=freqR2, colour="R Frequency Run 2")) + ylab("Relative Frequencies") + xlab("Iterations")

```



Suggested burn-in time based on this plot is about ~5000 iterations.

f) Apply the Gelman and Rubin test

```

mcmc1<-mcmc(data=res50000run1 , start = 1, end = niter)
mcmc2<-mcmc(data=res50000run2 , start = 1, end = niter)

combinedchains = mcmc.list(mcmc1, mcmc2)

gelman.diag(combinedchains)

```

```

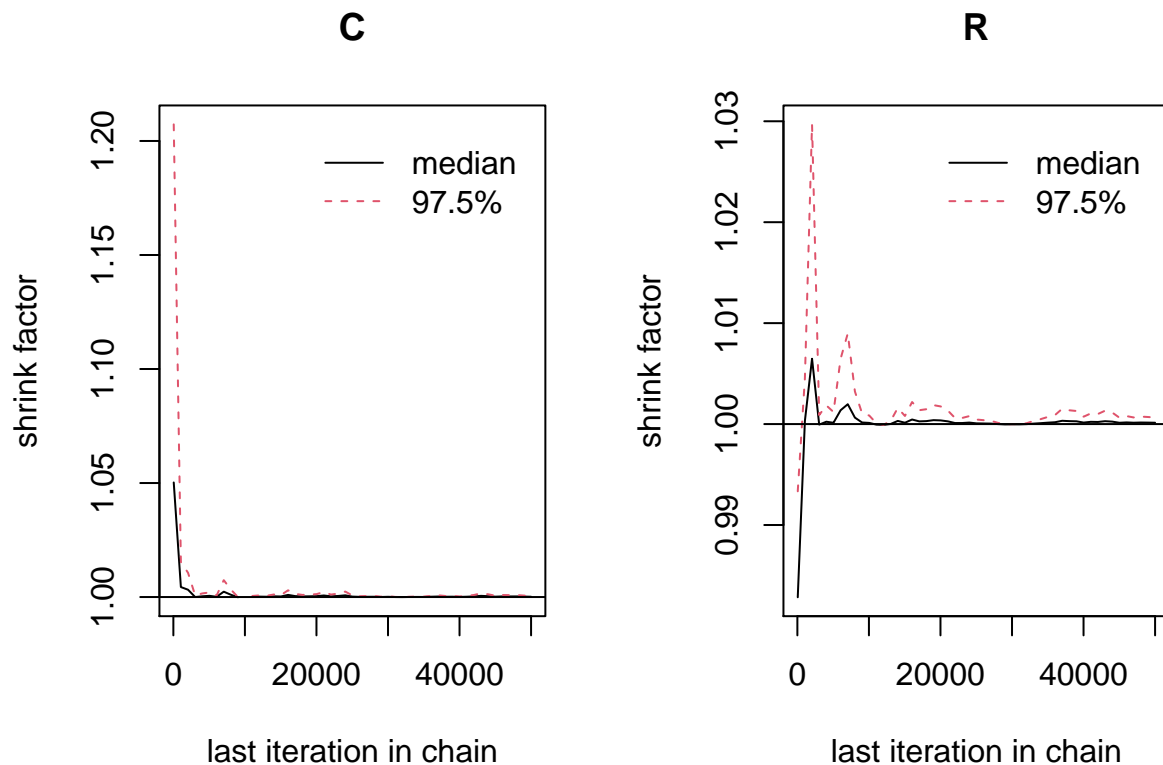
## Potential scale reduction factors:
##
##   Point est. Upper C.I.
## C           1           1
## R           1           1
##
## Multivariate psrf
##
## 1

```

```

gelman.plot(combinedchains)

```



Suggested burn-in time based on this plot is about ~5000 iterations or also ~20000 iterations for R.

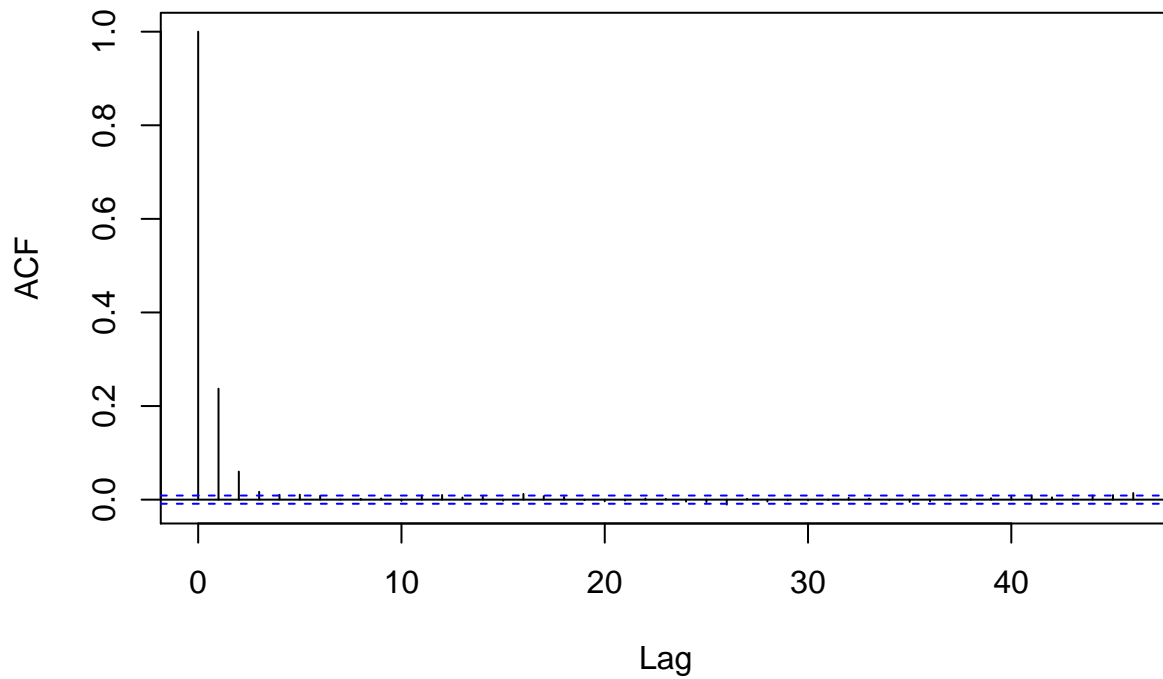
g) Provide plots for both variables Rain and Cloudy and suggest an interval for drawing approximately independent samples.

```

acf(res50000run1$C,type="correlation")

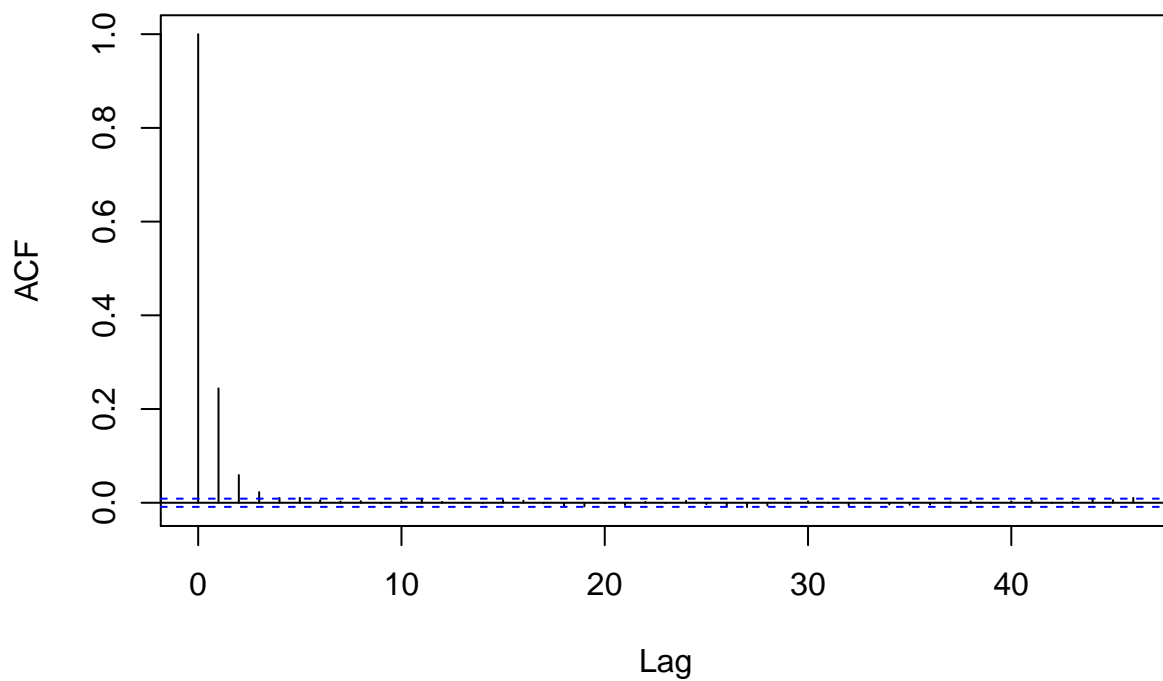
```

**Series res50000run1\$C**



```
acf(res50000run1$R,type="correlation")
```

**Series res50000run1\$R**



The safe interval for taking independent samples is from 4 on.

h) Re-estimate  $P(R = T | S = T, W = T)$  based on samples obtained after the suggested burn-in time and thinning.

```
dd<-res50000run1[5000:50000,]
```

```
tabledd=table(dd)/niter
colSums(tabledd)
```

```
##      0      1
## 0.60794 0.29208
```

i) Compute the probability  $P(R = T | S = T, W = T)$  analytically. Compare with (c) and (h)

$$\begin{aligned} P(R = T | S = T, W = T) &= \frac{P(R = T, S = T, W = T)}{P(S = T, W = T)} \\ &= \frac{P(W = T | R = T, S = T)P(R = T | S = T)P(S = T)}{\sum_{c \in \{F, T\}} P(C = c)P(S = T, W = T | C = c)} \\ &= \frac{P(W = T | R = T, S = T)P(R = T | S = T)P(S = T)}{\sum_{c \in \{F, T\}} P(C = c)P(W = T | S = T, C = c)P(S = T | C = c)} \end{aligned}$$

Here we compute the quantities we don't know immediately from the table:

$$\begin{aligned} P(R = T | S = T) &= \sum_{c \in \{F, T\}} P(C = c)P(R = T | S = T, C = c) \\ &= \sum_{c \in \{F, T\}} P(C = c)P(R = T | C = c) = P(R = T) = 0.5 \times 0.8 + 0.5 \times 0.2 = 0.5 \end{aligned}$$

$$P(R = F) = 1 - P(R = T) = 0.5$$

$$P(S = T) = \sum_{c \in \{F, T\}} P(C = c)P(S = T | C = c) = 0.5 \times 0.1 + 0.5 \times 0.5 = 0.3$$

$$P(W = T | S = T, C = T) = \sum_{r \in \{F, T\}} P(R = r)P(W = T | S = T, R = r, C = T)$$

$$= \sum_{r \in \{F, T\}} P(R = r)P(W = T | S = T, R = r) = 0.5 \times 0.99 + 0.5 \times 0.9 = 0.945$$

Then putting it all together:

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{P(W = T | R = T, S = T)P(R = T | S = T)P(S = T)}{\sum_{c \in \{F, T\}} P(C = c)P(W = T | S = T)P(S = T | C = c)} \\ &= \frac{0.99 \times 0.5 \times 0.3}{0.5 \times 0.945 \times 0.1 + 0.5 \times 0.945 \times 0.5} = 0.5238095 \end{aligned}$$