

DATA 609 Assignment 4: Simulation Modeling

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Section 5.1, Problem 3

Creating the Monte Carlo method with $n = 5000$ points, the following simulation is created using the uniform distribution for generating x and y values:

```
n <- 5000 # number of simulations
Q <- 0    # counter for number in circle

for (i in 1:n) {
  # generate random numbers
  x <- runif(1, 0, 1)
  y <- runif(1, 0, 1)
  # if inside circle; increment
  if (x^2 + y^2 <= 1) {
    Q <- Q + 1
  }
}

# calculate ratio of areas
ratio <- Q / n
# estimate pi
pi_est <- ratio * 4
```

The estimated value produced by the simulation is $\pi \approx 3.1672$.

Section 5.2, Problem 1

A function is written to generate the numbers using the middle-square method:

```
mid_sq <- function(seed, n) {  
  # start sequence with seed  
  gen <- seed  
  # get length of seed  
  len <- nchar(as.character(seed))  
  # determine which digits to grab from squared numbers  
  dig_start <- (2 * len) / 4 + 1  
  dig_end <- 3 * (2 * len) / 4  
  for (i in 1:n) {  
    # square last number generated  
    new_gen <- gen[length(gen)]^2  
    # convert new number to string to subset  
    new_gen <- as.character(new_gen)  
    # ensure number is of proper length  
    lead_zero <- len * 2 - nchar(new_gen)  
    new_gen <- paste0(paste(rep('0', lead_zero), collapse = ''), new_gen)  
    # get middle digits  
    new_gen <- substr(new_gen, dig_start, dig_end)  
    # add new number to array of generated numbers  
    gen <- c(gen, as.numeric(new_gen))  
  }  
  gen  
}
```

| | a | b | c |
|----|------|--------|------|
| 0 | 1009 | 653217 | 3043 |
| 1 | 180 | 692449 | 2598 |
| 2 | 324 | 485617 | 7496 |
| 3 | 1049 | 823870 | 1900 |
| 4 | 1004 | 761776 | 6100 |
| 5 | 80 | 302674 | 2100 |
| 6 | 64 | 611550 | 4100 |
| 7 | 40 | 993402 | 8100 |
| 8 | 16 | 847533 | 6100 |
| 9 | 2 | 312186 | 2100 |
| 10 | 0 | 460098 | 4100 |
| 11 | | 690169 | 8100 |
| 12 | | 333248 | 6100 |
| 13 | | 54229 | 2100 |
| 14 | | 940784 | 4100 |
| 15 | | 74534 | 8100 |
| 16 | | 555317 | |
| 17 | | 376970 | |
| 18 | | 106380 | |
| 19 | | 316704 | |
| 20 | | 301423 | |

Random sequence a rapidly degenerates to zero. Sequence b exhibits degeneration, but it is far less rapid than part a. Sequence c exhibits cycling beginning with the fourth number generated.

Section 5.3, Problem 4

The total of the two dice is simulated by running a Monte Carlo simulation for each weighted die:

```
# load probabilities
die_1 <- c(0.1, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.2, 0.1)
die_2 <- c(0.3, 0.1, 0.2, 0.1, 0.05, 0.25)
# convert to cumulative probabilities
die_1 <- cumsum(die_1)
die_2 <- cumsum(die_2)

# set up container for sums
tot <- numeric()

for (i in 1:300) {
  # generate two random numbers
  d1 <- runif(1)
  d2 <- runif(1)
  # get rolls associated with values
  d1 <- min(which(d1 < die_1))
  d2 <- min(which(d2 < die_2))
  # add sum to set of sums
  tot <- c(tot, d1 + d2)
}
```

The count of observation by sum is below:

| Sum | Count | Proportion |
|-----|-------|------------|
| 2 | 4 | 0.01333 |
| 3 | 10 | 0.03333 |
| 4 | 26 | 0.08667 |
| 5 | 45 | 0.15 |
| 6 | 36 | 0.12 |
| 7 | 58 | 0.1933 |
| 8 | 34 | 0.1133 |
| 9 | 34 | 0.1133 |
| 10 | 34 | 0.1133 |
| 11 | 12 | 0.04 |
| 12 | 7 | 0.02333 |

Section 5.3, Project 4

To generate the probabilities for the Monte Carlo simulation, the provided odds must be converted to probabilities:

$$n : 1 \text{ odds} \implies \frac{1}{n+1} \text{ probability}$$

The sum of the individual probabilities do not add up to exactly 1, so each probability is divided by the sum of the probabilities to give the adjusted probability.

```
odds <- c(7, 5, 9, 12, 4, 35, 15, 4)
prob <- 1 / (odds + 1)
prob.adj <- prob / (sum(prob))
```

| | Probability | Adjusted.Probability |
|--------------------------|-------------|----------------------|
| Euler's Folly | 0.125 | 0.1304 |
| Leapin' Leibniz | 0.1667 | 0.1738 |
| Newton Lobell | 0.1 | 0.1043 |
| Count Cauchy | 0.07692 | 0.08022 |
| Pumped up Poisson | 0.2 | 0.2086 |
| Loping L'Hopital | 0.02778 | 0.02897 |
| Steaming' Stokes | 0.0625 | 0.06518 |
| Dancin' Dantzig | 0.2 | 0.2086 |

These adjusted probabilities are used to create the simulation:

```
# set up counter for wins
wins <- rep(0, length(prob.adj))
# get cumulative distribution
cum_prob <- cumsum(prob.adj)
# run simulation
for (i in 1:1000) {
  # generate random number
  w <- runif(1)
  # determine winning horse
  w <- min(which(w < cum_prob))
  # increment horse's winnings
  wins[w] <- wins[w] + 1
}
```

| | Wins |
|--------------------------|------|
| Euler's Folly | 137 |
| Leapin' Leibniz | 175 |
| Newton Lobell | 108 |
| Count Cauchy | 89 |
| Pumped up Poisson | 183 |
| Loping L'Hopital | 19 |
| Steaming' Stokes | 50 |
| Dancin' Dantzig | 239 |

The horse with the most wins was Dancin' Dantzig – this is unsurprising, as it was tied for the best odds (4:1). Loping L'Hopital had the fewest wins – this too is unsurprising, since it had the worst odds (35:1).

Section 5.4, Problem 3

Assuming that the lag can only take the discrete values given (i.e. a minimum of 2 days, maximum of 7, and no half days), the simulation can be set up as follows:

```
lag_count <- c(10, 25, 30, 20, 13, 2)
# calculate cumulative probabilities
lag_prob <- cumsum(lag_count / 100)
# set up counter for lags
lag_days <- rep(0, length(lag_count))
# run simulation
for (i in 1:1000) {
  # generate random number
  l <- runif(1)
  # determine lag duration based on number
  l <- min(which(l < lag_prob))
  # increment lag count
  lag_days[l] <- lag_days[l] + 1
}
```

| Lag time | Occurences |
|----------|------------|
| 2 | 89 |
| 3 | 248 |
| 4 | 299 |
| 5 | 207 |
| 6 | 142 |
| 7 | 15 |

Based on the observed occurences, the simulation results align with what would be expected.

Section 5.5, Problem 2

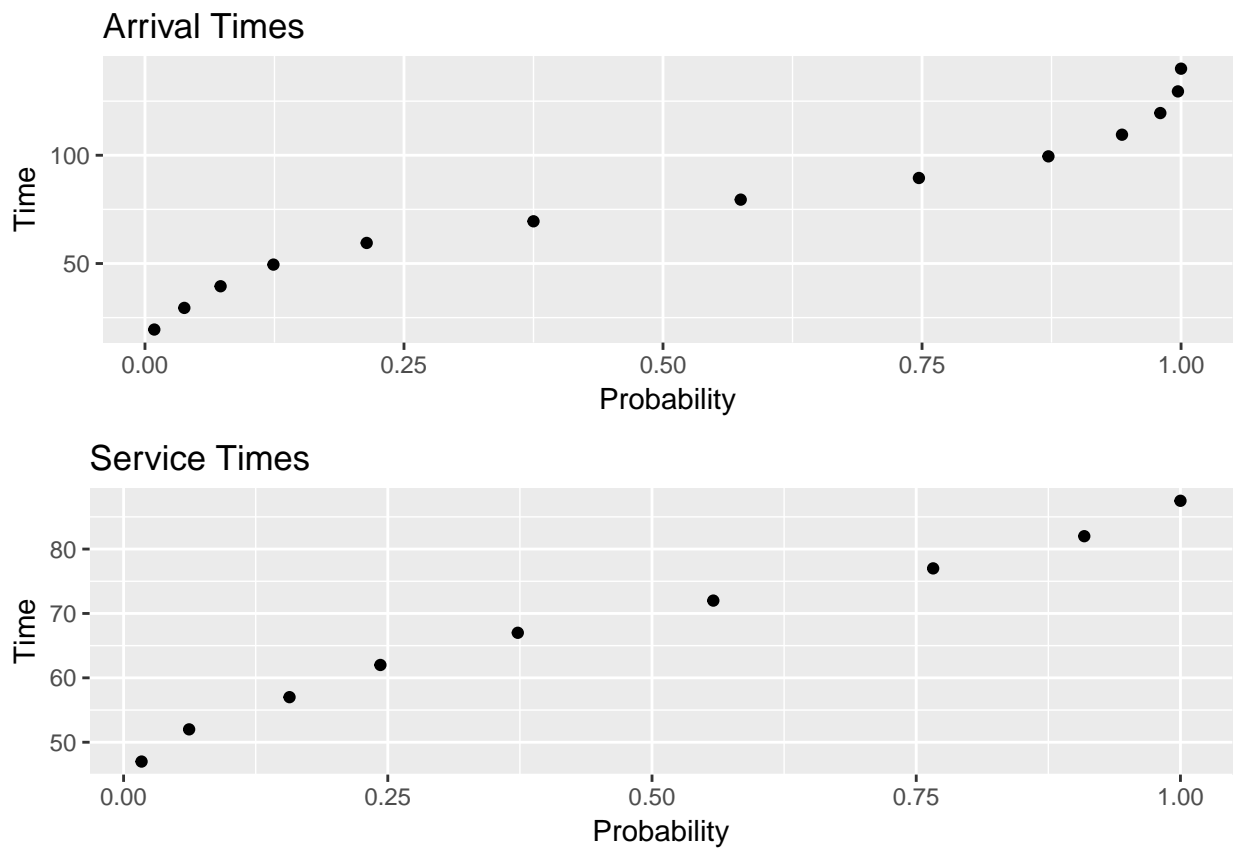
Table 5.18 contains two subtables – one for arrivals, and one for service times. Using the midpoints of each interval:

```
arrival <- data.frame(  
  times = c(19.5, 29.5, 39.5, 49.5, 59.5, 69.5, 79.5, 89.5, 99.5, 109.5, 119.5, 129.5, 140),  
  probs = c(0.009, 0.029, 0.035, 0.051, 0.09, 0.161, 0.2, 0.172, 0.125, 0.071, 0.037, 0.017, 0.003)  
)
```

```
service <- data.frame(  
  times = c(47, 52, 57, 62, 67, 72, 77, 82, 87.5),  
  probs = c(0.017, 0.045, 0.095, 0.086, 0.13, 0.185, 0.208, 0.143, 0.091)  
)
```

```
# convert to cumulative probabilities  
arrival$probs <- cumsum(arrival$probs)  
service$probs <- cumsum(service$probs)
```

To establish a smooth polynomial function, plots of times vs. probabilities are created for each set of observations:



Arrival Times

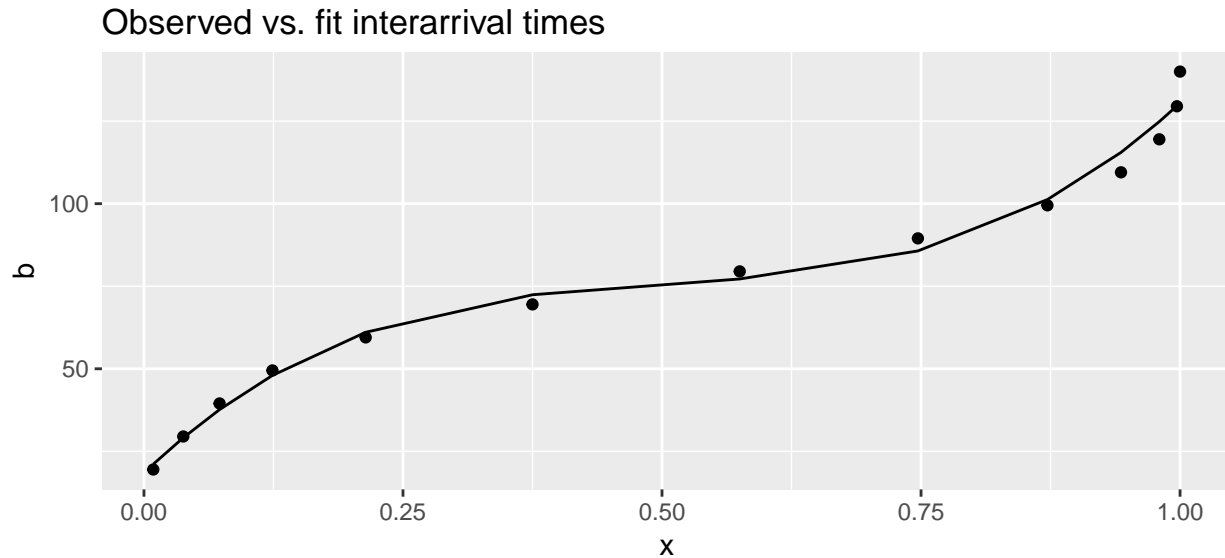
The curve for arrival times shown above appears to resemble that of a cubic equation for x vs. y^3 . As such, a third-degree polynomial is fit to the data:

```
mod_arr <- lm(times ~ poly(probs, 3, raw = TRUE), data = arrival)
arrival$preds <- predict(mod_arr, arrival)
```

The equation for the best-fit third-order fit is

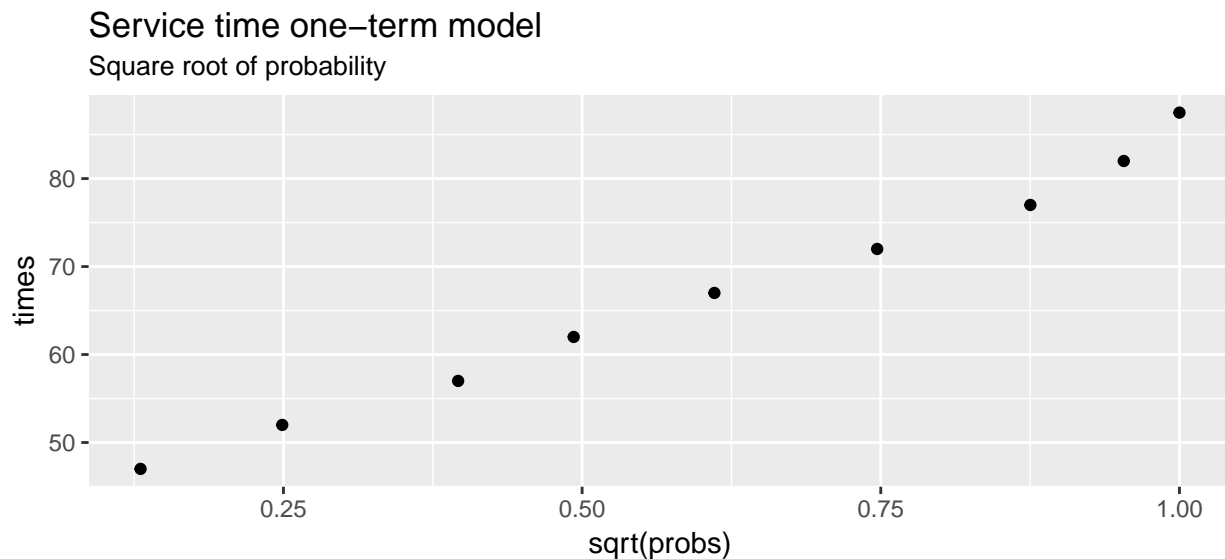
$$b = 18.4377 + 302.2950x - 561.4642x^2 + 371.2266x^3$$

This appears reasonable when plotted against the original data:



Service Times

To try fitting a one-term model, a number of transforms are examined. A transformation using the square root of probability appears to provide a near-linear relationship:



A linear equation is fit for this one-term model:

```
mod_arr_sq <- lm(times ~ I(sqrt(probs)), data = service)
```

The equation for this line is given by

$$u = 40.4257 + 43.9362\sqrt{x}$$

Plotting this equation against the original data, it appears reasonable:

