

Poisson(λ) is Poisson distribution with mean λ . It has the probability mass function :

$$P(x) = \frac{\lambda^x}{x!} e^{-\lambda}$$

Generate samples from Poisson(5) by Metropolis -Hasting algorithm. Use the following proposal distribution:

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix}$$

That is, $q_{00} = \frac{1}{2}$, $q_{ij} = \frac{1}{2}$, for $j = i + 1$ or $j = i - 1$.

(a) Write down the Metropolis -Hasting algorithm.

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Step1.

Q 為一個轉移矩陣，此矩陣的橫軸與縱軸皆由 0 起始，轉移的方法為以下

現值為 0, 下一次數值為 $y = \begin{cases} 0, \text{with probability } \frac{1}{2}, \\ 1, \text{with probability } \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$,

現值為 x_t , $x_t \neq 0$, 下一次數值為 $y = \begin{cases} x_t - 1, \text{with probability } \frac{1}{2}, \\ x_t + 1, \text{with probability } \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$,

Step2.

接受率 $\alpha = \min \left\{ \frac{\pi_y q(x_t|y)}{\pi_{x_t} q(y|x_t)}, 1 \right\}$, $\pi \sim \text{poi}(5)$, $q \sim \text{proposal distribution}$,

而 $q(x_t|y) = \frac{1}{2} = q(y|x_t)$, $\frac{\pi_y}{\pi_{x_t}} = \frac{x_t!}{y!} \lambda^{y-x_t}$, 因此 $\alpha = \min \left\{ \frac{x_t!}{y!} \lambda^{y-x_t}, 1 \right\}$, 來確認是否接受下一個值。

Step3.

$$x_{t+1} = \begin{cases} y, \text{with probability } \alpha \\ x_t, \text{with probability } (1 - \alpha) \end{cases}$$

(b) Generate an MCMC sequence of length 5000.

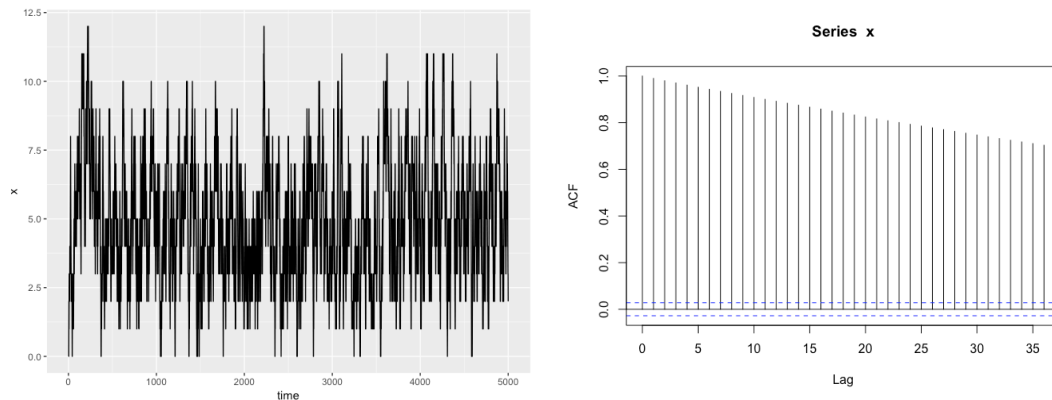
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給定起始值 $x_0 = 0$

(1) Compute the acceptance rate.

Acceptance rate: 0.818

(2) Draw the time series plot



(3) Discard the first 2000 values, and then compute the mean and variance based on the remaining 3000 value.

Mean: 4.802667; Variance: 5.157445

(4) Discard the first 2000 values, and then compute $P(X = x)$ where $x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 10$ base on the remaining 3000 values.

X	0	1	2	3	4	5
Rate(%)	0.733	4.367	10.533	16.067	17.000	15.700
X	6	7	8	9	10	-
Rate(%)	12.833	9.767	6.467	3.467	1.967	-

Appendix:

Code is in my github:

<https://github.com/kevinpiger/Exam-problem-number-1-Metropolis-algorithm-for-Poisson-5->