

Self-Exciting Spatio-Temporal Models for Count Data

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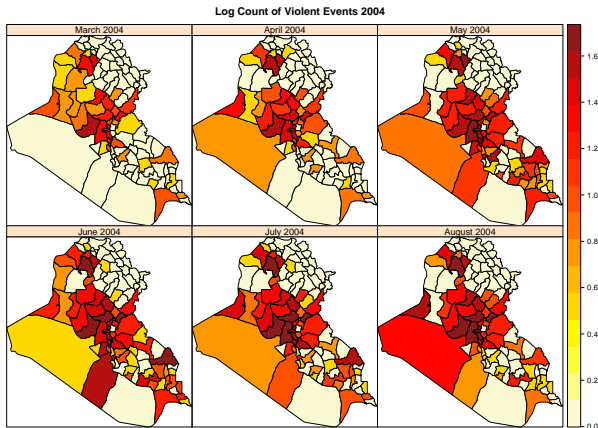
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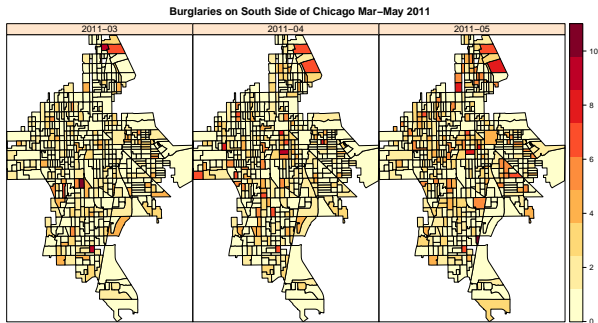
Motivation: The Evolution of Violence in Space and Time

At present, the most under-researched area of spatial criminology is that of spatio-temporal crime patterns... the temporal component of the underlying crime distributions has languished as a largely ignored area of study - **Crime mapping: Spatial and Temporal Challenges**, Ratcliffe (2010)

The Spread of Violence in Iraq 2004



Burglaries South Side of Chicago



- General statistical model for diffusion of violence in space-time
 - Accurately reflects beliefs on how violence/crime evolves
 - Extends traditional statistical models for count data
 - Stationary with extremely flexible second order properties
 - Inference via traditional MCMC techniques

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A Model of Criminal Behavior (Short et al. 2008)

- $Z(s_i, t)$ - number of observed burglaries from $(t - \Delta t, t)$
- $s_i \in \{s_1, \dots, s_n\}$ - fixed regions in \mathbb{R}^2
- $t \in \{1, \dots, T\}$ - discrete time
- Define $A(s_i, t) \equiv A(s_i, 0) + B(s_i, t)$ as attractiveness

$$B(s_i, t) = (1 - \chi \Delta t) B(s_i, t - \Delta t) + \eta Z(s_i, t - \Delta t) \quad (1)$$

- Probability of occurrence at each time interval, $(t, t + \Delta t)$ is Poisson with rate, $A(s_i, t)$
- Three factors impact change in crime rate, base attractiveness, decay χ , and repeat victimization, η

Relationship to INGARCH Model

Integer Auto-Regressive Conditionally Heteroskedastic, INGARCH (1,1), or Poisson Auto-Regression Model

$$Z(s_i, t) \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda(s_i, t)) \quad (2)$$

$$\lambda(s_i, t) = d + a\lambda(s_i, t-1) + bZ(s_i, t-1) \quad (3)$$

- Unlike GARCH, not solely a variance property
- Short model is similar to INGARCH(1,1) with $A(s_i, 0) = \sum_{k=0}^t a^k d$, $a = (1 - \chi\Delta t)$, and $b = \eta$

Relationship to Self-Exciting Models

- Point process introduced by Alan Hawkes with intensity

$$\lambda(t) = \nu(t) + \int_0^t g(t-u)N(ds) \quad (4)$$

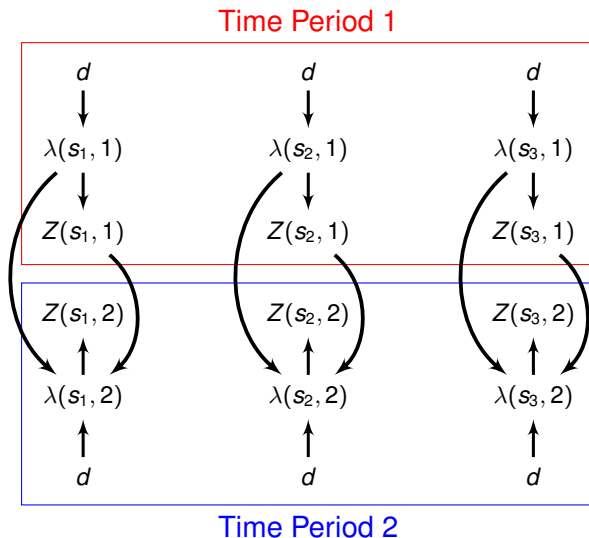
- Commonly discretized as

$$Z(s_i, t) \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda(s_i, t)) \quad (5)$$

$$\lambda(s_i, t) = \nu + \sum_{j < t} \eta^{t-j} Z(s_i, t-j) \quad (6)$$

- Equivalent to stationary INGARCH(1,1)

Structural Diagram - INGARCH(1,1)



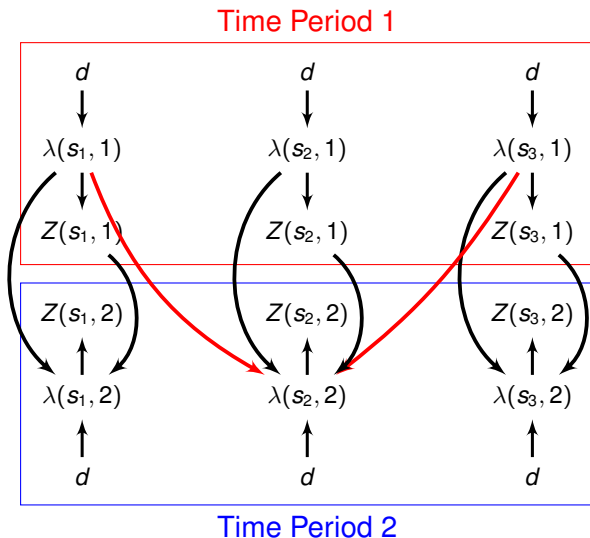
Short (2008) Extension - Spatial Spread

- Motivated by Reaction-Diffusion PDE
- Recall $A(s_i, t) \equiv A(s_i, 0) + B(s_i, t)$ as attractiveness, let N_{s_i} be spatial adjacency matrix

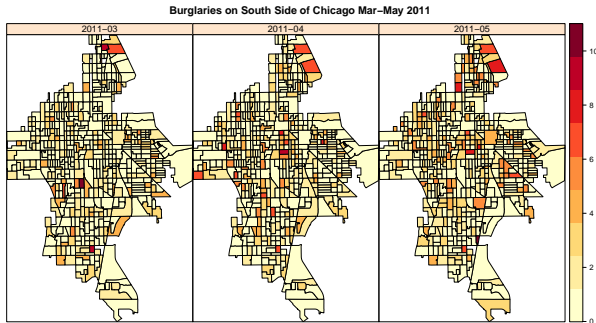
$$B(s_i, t) = \kappa B(s_i, t - \Delta t) + \frac{\psi}{|N_{s_i}|} \sum_{s_j \in N_{s_i}} [B(s_j, t - \Delta t) - B(s_i, t - \Delta t)] + \eta Z(s_i, t - \Delta t) \quad (7)$$

- Four factors impact change in crime rate, base attractiveness, decay χ , and repeat victimization, η , and spatial spread ψ
- Resulting model is MINGARCH (1,1)

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Applied to Residential Burglaries in Chicago



552 Spatial Locations, 72 Months, residential burglaries

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- Further structure $A(s_i, 0)$ to account for socio-economic factors
- MLEs are $\hat{\psi} = .02$, $\hat{\eta} = .155$ $\hat{\kappa} = .773$
- Simulate data from asymptotic distribution - unable to replicate lag-one autocorrelation, spatial correlation, or variance to mean ratio of original data

Properties of INGARCH Model

$$Z(s_i, t) \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda(s_i, t))$$

$$\lambda(s_i, t) = d + a\lambda(s_i, t-1) + bZ(s_i, t-1)$$

Stationarity yields:

$$E[Z(s_i, t)] = \frac{d}{1 - (a + b)} \quad (9)$$

$$\text{Var}[Z(s_i, t)] = \frac{1 - (a + b)^2 + b^2}{1 - (a + b)^2} E[Z(s_i, t)] \quad (10)$$

$$\text{Cov}[Z(s_i, t), Z(s_i, t-h)] = \frac{b(1 - a(a + b))(a + b)^h}{1 - (a + b)^2} E[Z(s_i, t)] \quad (11)$$

$$\text{Var-Mean Ratio}[Z(s_i, t)] = 1 + \frac{b^2}{1 - (a + b)^2} \quad (12)$$

Issues

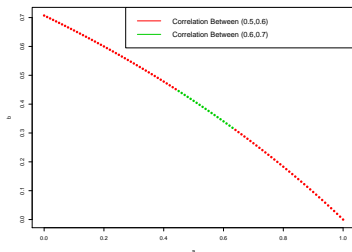
Allows for Overdispersion... But at a cost!

$$\text{Cor}[Z(s_i, t), Z(s_i, t - 1)] = \frac{b(a + b)(a^2 + ab - 1)}{a^2 + 2ab - 1} \quad (13)$$

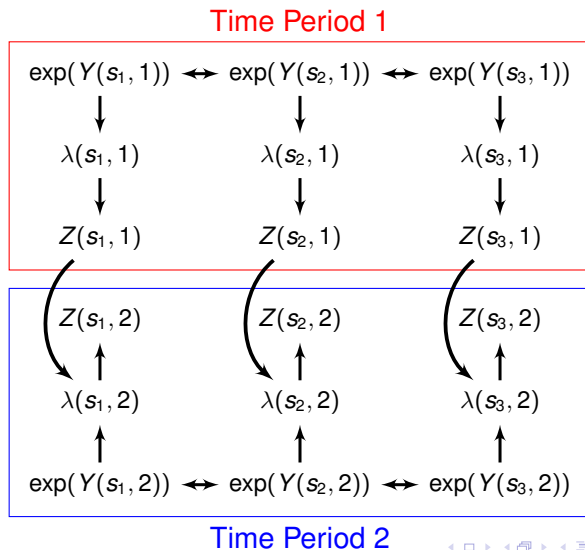
$$\text{Var-Mean Ratio}[Z(s_i, t)] = 1 + \frac{b^2}{1 - (a + b)^2} \quad (14)$$

$$(15)$$

For fixed Var-Mean Ratio at 2 $\implies b = 1/2(-a + \sqrt{2 - a^2})$.



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- Mixture of two processes that influence expectation : LGCP and Hawkes process
- Hawkes process letting $g(t - j) = \eta$ if $(t - j) = 1$, 0 otherwise

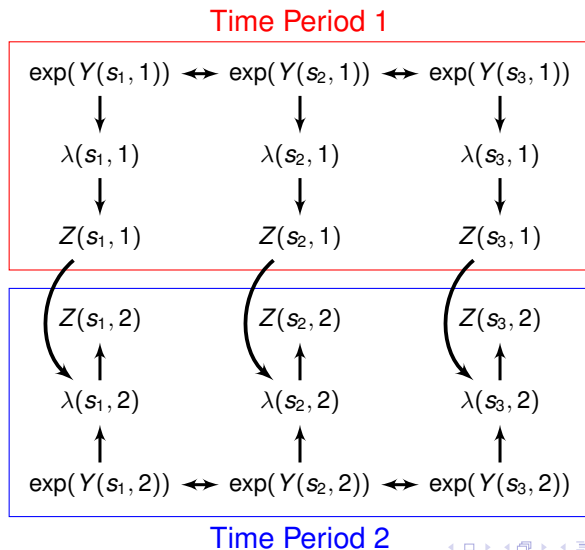
$$Z(\mathbf{s}_i, t) | \lambda(\mathbf{s}_i, t) \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda(\mathbf{s}_i, t)) \quad (16)$$

$$\lambda(\mathbf{s}_i, t) = \exp(Y(\mathbf{s}_i, t)) + \eta Z(\mathbf{s}_i, t - 1)$$

$$Y(\mathbf{s}_i, t) = \theta_1 \sum_{\mathbf{s}_j \in N(\mathbf{s}_i)} Y(\mathbf{s}_j, t) + \epsilon(\mathbf{s}_i, t)$$

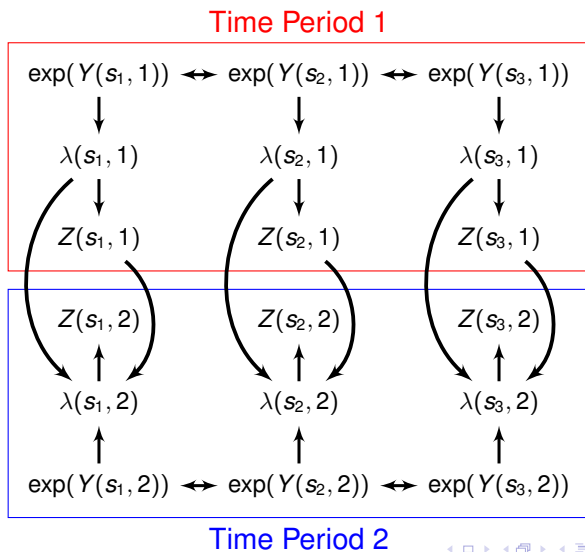
$$\epsilon(\mathbf{s}_i, t) \sim \text{Gau}(0, \sigma^2)$$

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SPINGARCH(1,1) Model

Spatially Correlated INGARCH(1,1) Model



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- $\eta = 0, \kappa = 0$ Poisson - CAR, $\sigma_{sp}^2 \rightarrow 0$, INGARCH(1,1)/Short model

SPINGARCH Model as Stochastic Difference Equation

$$\frac{\lambda(s_i, t) - \lambda(s_i, t - 1)}{\Delta t} = d - \chi\lambda(s_i, t - 1) + \eta Z(s_i, t - 1) \quad (19)$$

- Change in violence due to exogenous d , natural decay, χ , and excitement, η
- Assume each time period, exogeneous impact is stochastic and spatially correlated yields SPINGARCH

$$\frac{\lambda(s_i, t) - \lambda(s_i, t - 1)}{\Delta t} = \exp(Y(s_i, t)) - \chi\lambda(s_i, t - 1) + \eta Z(s_i, t - 1) \quad (20)$$

- Change in intensity due to three factors, CAR, natural decay, and excitement

SPINGARCH Model - Parameter Space

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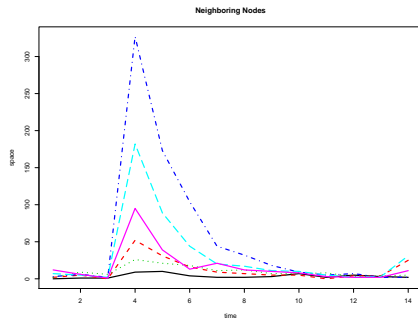
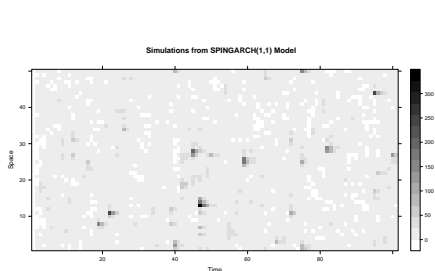
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- $\zeta \in (\psi_{(1)}^{-1}, \psi_{(n)}^{-1})$ where $\psi_{(i)}$ is the i th largest eigenvalue of adjacency matrix
- For stationarity, $\eta > 0$, $\kappa > 0$, $\eta + \kappa < 1$

Data Realizations

50 Spatial Observations on \mathbb{R}^1 , 100 Temporal Observations



$$\begin{aligned}\lambda(s_i, t) &= \exp[Y(s_i, t)] + 0.1 Z(s_i, t-1) + 0.4 \lambda(s_i, t-1) \\ Y(s_i, t) | \mathbf{Y}(N_i) &\sim \text{Gau}(\mu(s_i, t), 0.5) \\ \mu(s_i, t) &= 0 + 0.49 \sum_{s_j \in N_i} \{Y(s_j, t)\}.\end{aligned}\tag{21}$$

- Let $\lambda_t = (\lambda(s_1, t), \lambda(s_2, t), \dots, \lambda(s_{n_d}, t))^T$

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$$E[Z(s_i, t)] = \lambda(s_i, t)$$

$$\lambda_t = \exp(\mathbf{Y}_t) + \eta \mathbf{Z}_{t-1} + \kappa \lambda_{t-1}$$

$$\mathbf{Y}_t \sim \text{Gau}(\alpha_t, (I_{n_d, n_d} - \mathbf{C})^{-1} \mathbf{M}) \quad (22)$$

- Markov chain for λ_t on State space, $(\mathbb{R}^+)^{n_d}$

By recursion

$$\begin{aligned} [\lambda(s_i, t) | \lambda(s_i, 0) = B] &= \exp(Y(s_i, t)) + \kappa \lambda(s_i, t-1) + \eta Z(s_i, t-1) \\ &= \exp(Y(s_i, t)) + \kappa [\exp(Y(s_i, t-1)) + \kappa \lambda(s_i, t-2) \\ &\quad + \eta Z(s_i, t-2)] + \eta Z(s_i, t-1) \\ &\dots \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{t-1} \kappa^k \exp(Y(s_i, t-k)) + \sum_{k=0}^{t-1} \kappa^k \eta Z(s_i, t-k-1) + \kappa^t B. \end{aligned}$$

Geometric Ergodicity with Finite Moments

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Sketch of Proof.

Meyn and Tweedie (15.0.1) need to show aperiodic, ϕ -irreducible and \exists test function $V(\cdot)$ such that $E[V(\lambda_{t+1}) | \lambda_t = \lambda_*] \leq \psi V(\lambda_*) + L I(\lambda_* \in C)$ holds where $\psi \in (0, 1)$, $L \in (0, \infty)$ and $I(\cdot)$ is the indicator function and C is a petite set.

Basic Idea: With positive probability, \exists a realization $Z(s_i, 1) = Z(s_i, 2) = \dots = Z(s_i, t-1) = 0$. Along that chain, $P(\lambda(s_i, t)) \in A = P(\exp(Y(s_i, t)) \in A - \kappa^t B)$. If $\kappa^T B > \sup A$ run chain longer. □

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\implies Unique stationary distribution, goes to geometrically fast.
Specific choice of $V(\cdot)$ gives (at least) finite first two moments (can be extended likely as in Fokianos, 2009.)



Increased Modeling Flexibility with SPINGARCH(1,1)

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Define $\Sigma_{i,j}$ as i, j entry of $(I_{n_d, n_d} - \mathbf{C})^{-1} \mathbf{M}$

$$E[Z(s_i, t)] = \frac{1}{1 - \eta - \kappa} \exp\left(\alpha + \frac{\Sigma_{1,1}}{2}\right) \quad (23)$$

$$\text{Var}(Z(s_i, t)) = \frac{1}{1 - (\kappa + \eta)^2} \text{Var}(\exp(Y(s_i, t))) + \frac{1 - \kappa^2 - 2\kappa\eta}{1 - (\kappa + \eta)^2} E(Z(s_i, t)) \quad (24)$$

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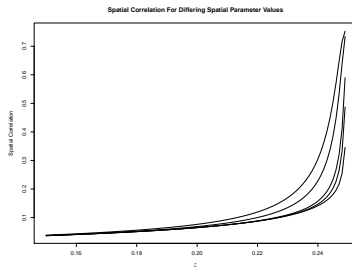
$$\implies 2 = \frac{\text{Var}(\exp(Y(s_i, t)))}{(1 - \eta)^2 E[Z(s_i, t)]} + \frac{1}{1 - \eta^2} \quad (26)$$

$$\text{Cor}(Z(s_i, t), Z(s_i, t-1)) = \eta \quad (27)$$

$\forall \eta \in (0, \sqrt{1/2}) \quad \exists \alpha, \sigma_{sp}^2$ such that equality holds

Spatial Correlation

$$\text{Corr}(Z(s_i, t), Z(s_j, t)) = \frac{(\exp(\Sigma_{i,i} + \Sigma_{i,j}) - \exp(\Sigma_{i,i}))}{\exp(2\Sigma_{i,i}) - \exp(\Sigma_{i,i}) + \exp(-\alpha + \frac{\Sigma_{i,i}}{2}) \frac{1}{1-(\kappa+\eta)}}$$



$$\eta = .3, \sigma_{sp}^2 = .5, 4 \times 4 \text{ to } 15 \times 15 \text{ size lattice}$$

- Likelihood roots for INGARCH(1,1) easily found, asymptotically Gaussian
- Inclusion of latent process in SPINGARCH(1,1) complicates
- $\theta \equiv (\eta, \alpha, \zeta, \sigma_{sp}^2)$

$$\pi(\theta | \mathbf{Z}, \mathbf{Y}) \propto \prod_t \pi(\mathbf{Z}_t | \lambda_t) \pi(\lambda_t | \lambda_{t-1}, \mathbf{Z}_{t-1}, \theta, \mathbf{Y}_t) \pi(\mathbf{Y}_t | \theta) \pi(\theta) \quad (28)$$

$$\pi(\mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{Z}, \theta) \propto \prod_t \pi(\mathbf{Z}_t | \lambda_t) \pi(\lambda_t | \lambda_{t-1}, \mathbf{Z}_{t-1}, \theta, \mathbf{Y}_t) \pi(\mathbf{Y}_t | \theta). \quad (29)$$

$$\log(\mathbf{Y}|\alpha, \sigma_{sp}, \zeta) \propto \frac{1}{2} \log |\Sigma_f^{-1}(\theta)| - \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{Y} - \alpha)^T \Sigma_f^{-1}(\theta)(\mathbf{Y} - \alpha), \quad (30)$$

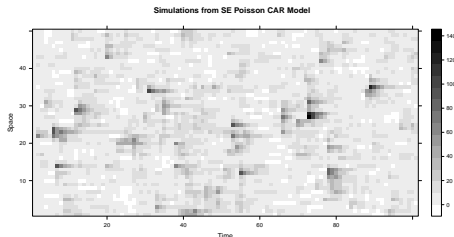
- $\Sigma_f^{-1} \equiv (I_{n_d \times T, n_d \times T} - I_{t,t} \otimes \mathbf{C})^{-1} I_{t,t} \otimes \mathbf{M}$
- $\log |\Sigma^{-1}(\theta)| = \frac{n_d}{2 \log \sigma_{sp}^2} + \log |I_{n_d, n_d} - \zeta \mathbf{N}|$
- Letting $\mathbf{V} \Lambda \mathbf{V}^T$ be the spectral decomposition of \mathbf{N} we have $|I_{n_d, n_d} - \zeta \mathbf{N}| = |\mathbf{V}| |I_{n_d, n_d} - \zeta \Lambda| |\mathbf{V}^T| = \prod_{j=1}^{n_d} (1 - \zeta \chi_j)$ where χ_j are the eigenvalues of the neighborhood matrix

$$\log |\Sigma_f^{-1}(\theta)| = T \log |\Sigma^{-1}(\theta)| \quad (31)$$

$$\propto \frac{n_d \times T}{\log \sigma_{sp}^2} + T \sum_{j=1}^{n_d} (1 - \zeta \chi_j) \quad (32)$$

Simulation and Estimation

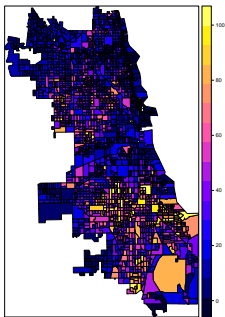
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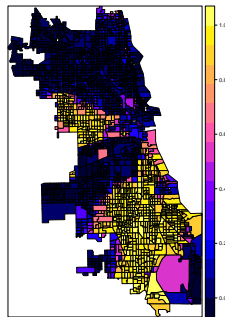
- SPINGARCH(0,1) 95% credible intervals: $\alpha \in (-0.24, 0.1)$, $\sigma^2 \in (0.46, 0.59)$, $\zeta \in (0.486, 0.492)$, and $\eta \in (0.64, 0.66)$
- SPINGARCH(1,0) 95% credible intervals: $\alpha \in (-0.54, -0.2)$, $\sigma^2 \in (0.96, 1.2)$, $\zeta \in (0.47, 0.48)$, and $\kappa \in (0.65, 0.67)$

	SPINGARCH(1,0)	SPINGARCH(0,1)
p_1 - Moran's I	.05	.46
p_2 - Var to Mean	.99	.65
p_3 - Lag 1 Corr	.45	.7

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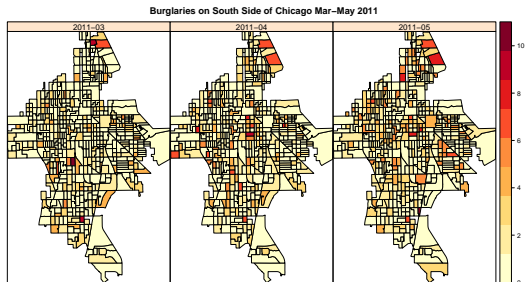


Aggregated Burglaries



Racial Segregation

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- Crime data from city of Chicago
- 72 months (2010-2015), 552 locations (Census block groups)
- Demographic data from Census bureau

$$\begin{aligned}Z(s_i, t) &\sim \text{Pois}(\lambda(s_i, t)) \\E[Z(s_i, t)] &= \lambda(s_i, t) \\\lambda_t &= \exp(\mathbf{Y}_t + \mathbf{U}) + \eta \mathbf{Z}_{t-1} + \kappa \lambda_{t-1} \\\mathbf{Y}_t &\sim \text{Gau}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}, \sigma_{ind}^2 \mathbf{I}_{n_d, n_d}) \\\mathbf{U} &\sim \text{Gau}(\mathbf{0}, [\sigma_{sp}^2 (\mathbf{N} - \mathbf{C})]^{-1})\end{aligned} \tag{34}$$

- Removed temporal trend and seasonality
- Single spatial effect, ζ fixed near edge of parameter space
- Additional small scale effect captured in σ_{ind}^2

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_{s_i} &= \exp(\beta_0 + \beta_{pop} \log(\text{Pop}_{s_i}) \\&\quad + \beta_{ym} \text{Young Men}_{s_i} + \beta_{wealth} \text{Wealth}_{s_i} + \beta_{unemp} \text{Unemp}_{s_i})\end{aligned} \tag{35}$$

Impacts of Including Spatial Correlation

Parameter	SPINGARCH(1,1)	INGARCH(1,1)
β_0	(-3.3,-1.0)	(-4.2,-3.4)
β_{pop}	(0.11,0.34)	(0.33,0.46)
β_{ym}	(-0.75, 0.17)	(0.06, 0.09)
β_{wealth}	(0.05, 0.16)	(-0.04, 0.01)
β_{unemp}	(0.006,0.07)	(0.002,0.03)
η	(0.04, 0.07)	(0.22, 0.24)
κ	(0.31,0.39)	(0.44,0.48)
σ_{sp}^2	(0.40,0.54)	-
σ_{ind}^2	(0.40,0.47)	-

Model Assessment - Posterior Predictive Checks

	SPINGARCH(1,1)	INGARCH(1,1)
p_1 - Moran's I Statistic	0.43	0
p_2 - Variance to Mean Ratio	0.62	0
p_3 - Lag 1 Auto Correlation	0.67	0.74

- SPINGARCH(1,1) - observed maximum ($p=.67$), number of zeros ($p=.49$)
- Conclusions on repeat-victimization

- Addition of spatially correlated effects naturally extends INGARCH model
- Both Poisson-CAR and INGARCH arise from SPINGARCH in limit
- Failure to specify random structure may result in differing conclusions
- Precomputing eigenvalues allows for relatively efficient Bayesian inference (8 hrs for 552 spatial locations, 104 time locations)

- Impacts of aggregation
- Laplace approximations greatly speed up SPINGARCH(0,1) - Can extend to SPINGARCH(1,1)?
- Reaction Diffusion Self-Exciting Model from (Clark & Dixon, 2018) does not fit in framework (temporally correlated errors)
 - RDSEM captures reaction diffusion process of Short in Latent Process
- Slides and code available at <https://github.com/nick3703/Talk>
- Questions?