

Summary

The paper, written by Yoshihiko Ogata, titled, “On Lewis Simulation Method for Point Process”, gives detailed a procedure to simulate univariate and multivariate point processes. In this document, I will list down the algo and necessary R code for simulating univariate Hawkes’ self exciting process

Algorithm for simulating univariate Hawkes’ process

Hawkes’ model is a generalized point process model whose intensity function is given by

$$\Lambda(t) = \mu + \int_{-\infty}^t g(t-u)dN(u)$$

This paper deals with a response function of the type

$$g(t) = \alpha e^{-\beta t}$$

Consider an intensity function $\Lambda^*(t)$, a piece wise constant function such that

$$\lambda(t|t_1, \dots, t_n) \leq \Lambda_i^*, \quad s_i \leq t < s_{i+1} \leq t_{n+1}$$

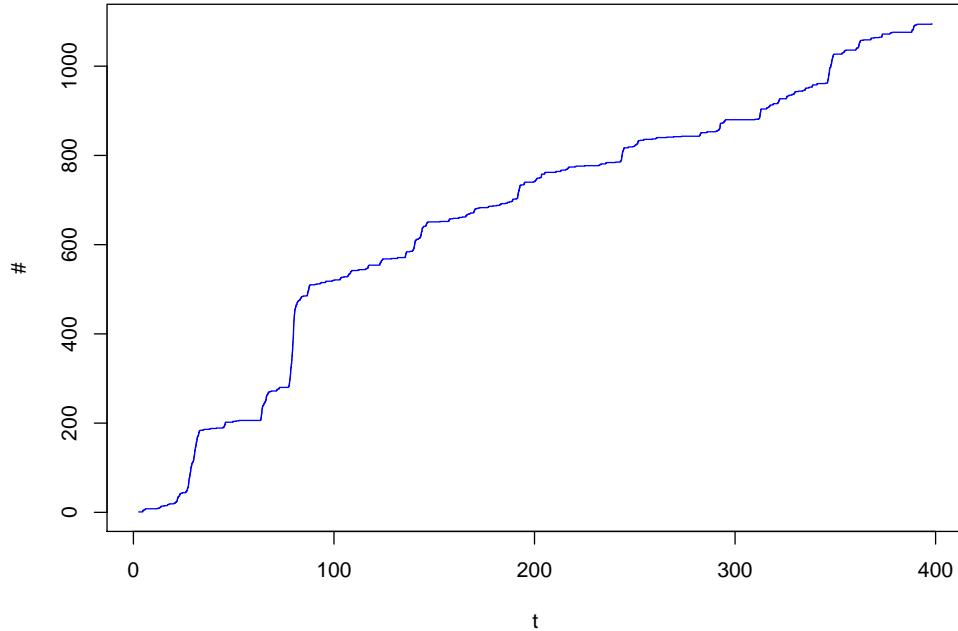
The following steps generate a Hawkes’ process realization

1. Set $\Lambda_0^* = \mu$ and put $s_0 = 0$
2. Generate U_0 and put $u_0 = -\log(U_0/\Lambda_0^*)$
3. If $u_0 \leq T$, then put $t_1 = u_0$. Otherwise stop
4. Set $i = j = k = 0$ and $n = 1$
5. Set $k = k + 1$ and put $\Lambda_k^* = \lambda(t_n|t_1, t_2, \dots, t_{n-1}) + \alpha$
6. Set $j = j + 1$ and generate U_j
7. Set $i = i + 1$ and put $u_i = -\log(U_j/\Lambda_k^*)$
8. Put $s_i = s_{i-1} + u_i$. If $s_i > T$, stop
9. Set $j = j + 1$ and generate U_j
10. If $U_j \leq \lambda(s_i|t_1, \dots, t_{n-1})/\Lambda_k^*$, set $n = n + 1$, put $t_n = s_i$, and go to step 5
11. Set $k = k + 1$, put $\Lambda_k^* = \lambda(t_n|t_1, t_2, \dots, t_{n-1})$ and go to step 6

The key to implementing this algorithm is to keep a running sum of the intensity function. Once one simulates the realization, we need a way to check whether the process indeed corresponds to the true process.

```
simulate_uni_hawkes <- function(mu, alpha, beta, t_max){  
  arrivals <- numeric()  
  set.seed(1)  
  s <- 0  
  t <- 0  
  lambda_star <- mu  
  s <- s - log(runif(1))/lambda_star  
  t <- s  
  dlambda <- alpha
```

```
arrivals      <- c(arrivals, t)
while(s < t_max) {
  U           <- runif(1)
  s           <- s -log(U)/lambda_star
  u           <- runif(1)
  if(u <= (mu + dlambda*exp(-beta*(s-t)))/lambda_star){
    dlambda     <- alpha + dlambda*exp(-beta*(s-t))
    lambda_star <- lambda_star + alpha
    t           <- s
    arrivals    <- c(arrivals, t)
  }
}
return(arrivals)
}
```



Estimating via MLE

The log likelihood given in the paper is coded below

```
loglik     <- function(params, arrivals){
  mu_i      <- params[1]
  alpha_i   <- params[2]
  beta_i    <- params[3]
```

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term_1  <- -mu_i*arrivals[n]
term_2  <- sum(alpha_i/beta_i*(exp( -beta_i * (arrivals[n] - arrivals)) - 1))
Ai      <- c(0, sapply(2:n, function(z) {
            sum(exp( -beta_i * (arrivals[z]- arrivals[1:(z - 1)]))))
          }))
term_3  <- sum(log( mu_i + alpha_i * Ai))
return(-term_1- term_2 -term_3)
}
```

Using nlm function

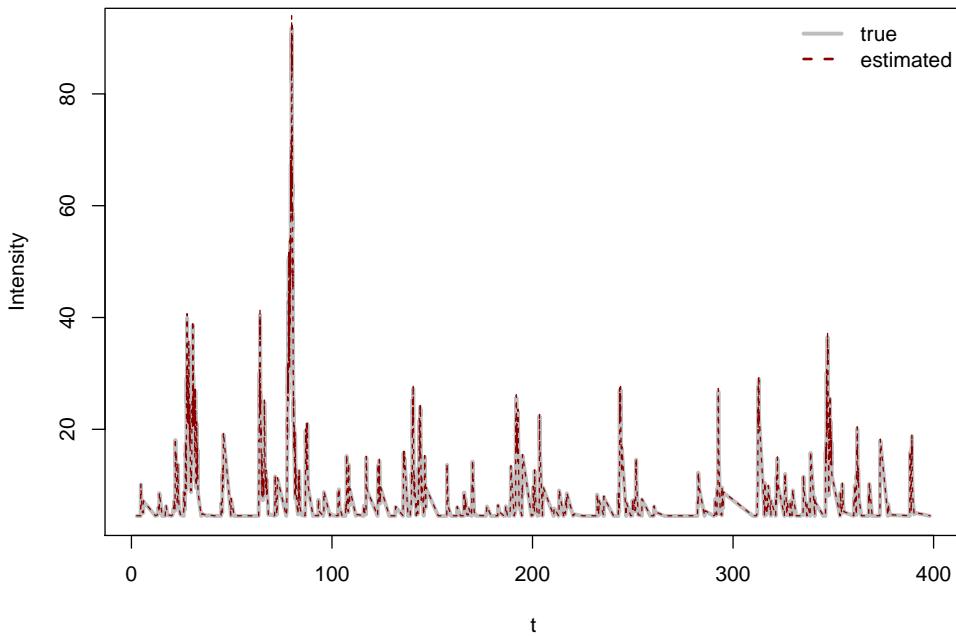
```
case1_solution2 <- nlm(loglik, c(0.1,1, 6), hessian = TRUE, arrivals = sample_f1)
paste( c("mu", "alpha", "beta" ), round(case1_solution2$estimate,2), sep=" = ")

## [1] "mu = 0.49"    "alpha = 4.05" "beta = 4.92"
```

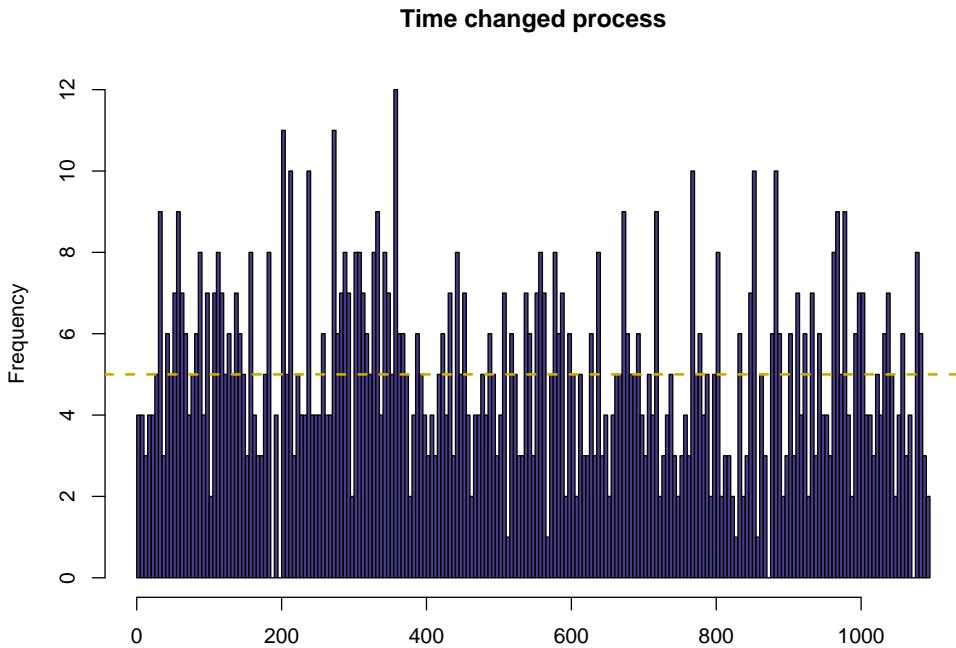
Estimated vs. Actual intensity function

```
estimated_intensity <- function(params, arrivals){
  mu      <- params[1]
  alpha   <- params[2]
  beta    <- params[3]
  Ai      <- sapply(1:n, function(z) {
              sum(exp( -beta * (arrivals[z]- arrivals[1:z]))))
            })
  return(mu + alpha *Ai)
}
```

```
compensator      <- function(params, arrivals){
  mu      <- params[1]
  alpha   <- params[2]
  beta    <- params[3]
  result <- sapply(1:n, function(z){
    mu*arrivals[z] + sum(alpha/beta*(1-exp(-beta*(arrivals[z]-arrivals[1:z])))))
  })
  return(result)
}
```

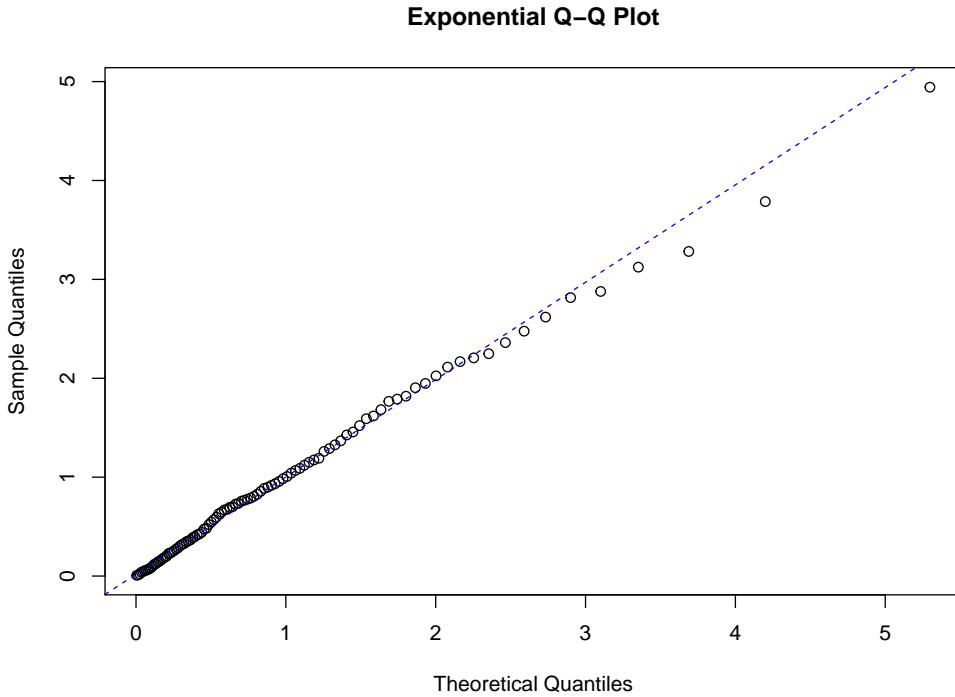


Another way to test the parameters is to apply time change to the original process and check whether the resulting process is a standard Poisson.



Splitting the time interval in to steps of 5 units should result in a frequency count of 5. The above histogram confirms that the parameters estimation via MLE has not gone wrong

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Using hawkes package

```
negloglik_hawkes      <- function(params, history){  
  mu      <- params[1]  
  alpha   <- params[2]  
  beta    <- params[3]  
  return(likelihoodHawkes(mu, alpha, beta, history))  
}  
params_hawkes <- round(optim(c(0.1,2,6), negloglik_hawkes, history = sample_f1$par,2)  
paste( c("alpha", "beta", "mu"), params_hawkes, sep=" = ")  
## [1] "alpha = 0.49" "beta = 4.05"  "mu = 4.92"
```

Simulating and Estimating multivariate hawkes

```
set.seed(1)  
lambda0   <- c(0.2,0.2)  
alpha     <- matrix(c(0.5,0,0,0.5),byrow=TRUE,nrow=2)  
beta      <- c(0.7,0.7)  
history   <- simulateHawkes(lambda0, alpha, beta, 3600)
```

```
nloglik_bi_hawkes <- function(params, history){  
  mu      <- c(params[1], params[2])  
  alpha   <- matrix(c(params[3], params[4], params[5], params[6]), byrow=TRUE, nrow=2)  
  beta    <- c(params[7], params[8])  
  return(likelihoodHawkes(mu, alpha, beta, history))  
}  
params_hawkes <- round(optim(c(rep(1,2), rep(0.2,4),rep(2,2)),  
                               nloglik_bi_hawkes, history = history)$par, 2)  
params        <- data.frame( estimates = params_hawkes)  
rownames(params) <- c("$\\mu_1$", "$\\mu_2$", "$\\alpha_{11}$",  
                      "$\\alpha_{12}$", "$\\alpha_{21}$",  
                      "$\\alpha_{22}$", "$\\beta_1$", "$\\beta_2$")
```

	estimates
μ_1	0.24
μ_2	0.34
α_{11}	0.74
α_{12}	-0.02
α_{21}	-0.07
α_{22}	1.09
β_1	1.11
β_2	1.75