

Iterated function system and simulation of Brownian motion

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- simulating increments $B(t) - B(s) \sim N(0, t - s)$
- limit of the random walk $S_n = \sum X_i$, with $P(X_i = \pm 1) = 1/2$

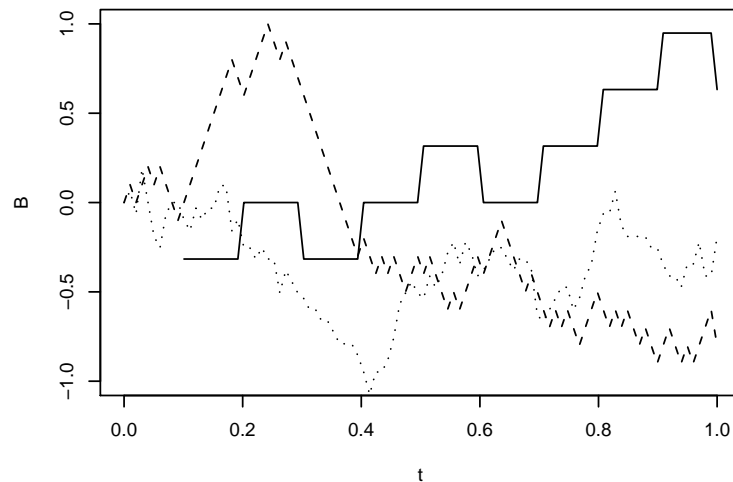
$$\left(\frac{S_{[nt]}}{\sqrt{n}}, t \geq 0 \right) \xrightarrow{d} (B(t), t \geq 0)$$

These implies simulation on a grid and between grid points BM path is linearly interpolated

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Pathwise approximations



continuous line $n = 10$, dashed line $n = 100$, dotted line $n = 1000$.

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Karhunen-Loève / Kac-Siebert decomposition

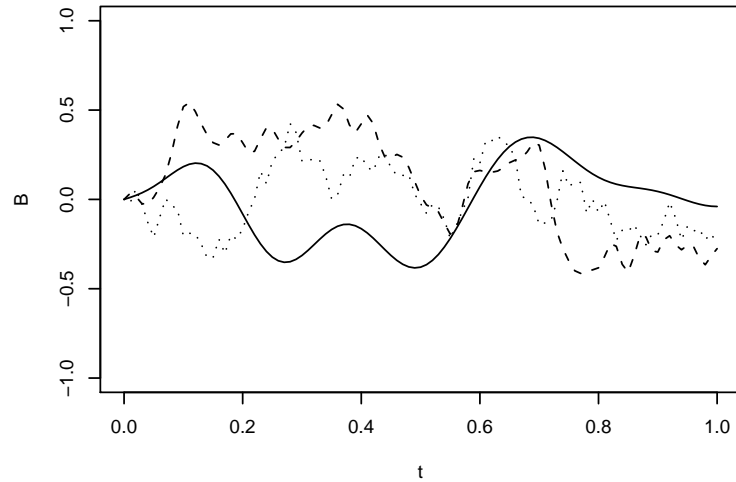
$$B(t, \omega) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} Z_i \phi_i(t), \quad 0 \leq t \leq T$$

with

$$\phi_i(t) = \frac{2\sqrt{2T}}{(2i+1)\pi} \sin\left(\frac{(2i+1)\pi t}{2T}\right)$$

ϕ_i a basis of orthogonal functions and Z_i i.i.d. $N(0, 1)$

This approximation might be too smooth



$n = 10$ (continuous line), $n = 50$ (dashed line) and $n = 100$ terms

The IFS-M operator is contractive operator defined as

$$T(g(x)) = \sum_{k=1}^N \left\{ \alpha_k \cdot g \left(\frac{x - a_k}{s_k} \right) + \beta_k \right\}$$

where (α_k, β_k, a_k) can be determined as the solution of a constrained Quadratic Problem given some choice of (a_k, s_k) 's

$$\Delta^2 = \|g - Tg\|_2^2 = \min_{\alpha, \beta}$$

under the constraint

$$\sum_{k=1}^N c_k (\alpha_k \|g\|_1 + \beta_k) \leq \|g\|_1$$

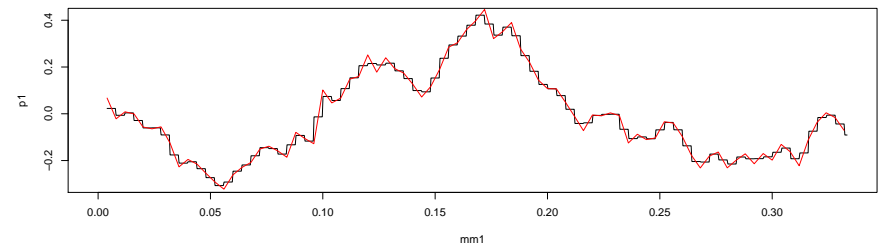
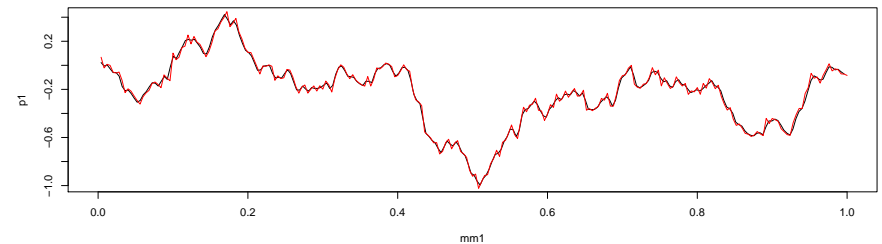
Δ^2 can be rewritten as a quadratic form

$$\Delta^2 = x^T A x + b^T x + c$$

where $x = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_k)$. If $g = BM$ then

- $a_{i,i} = c \int_0^1 B^2(t) dt$
- $a_{N+i, N+i} = s_i$
- $a_{i, N+i} = c \int_0^1 B(t) dt$
- $b_i = -2 \int_0^1 B(t) B((t - a_i)/s_i) dt$
- $b_{N+i} = -2 \int_{a_i}^{a_i+s_i} B(t) dt$

with $c = \int_0^1 |B(t)| dt$



Theorem (Self-affine trajectories)

Let (α_k, β_k) be the solution of $\Delta^2 = \min_{\alpha, \beta}$ then the fixed point $\tilde{B}(t)$ of the operator T satisfies the self affine property

$$\tilde{B}(w_i(t+h)) - \tilde{B}(w_i(t)) = \alpha_i(\tilde{B}(t+h) - \tilde{B}(t))$$

where $w_i(x) = a_i x + s_i$

Which means that the trajectory is made of rescaled copies of itself and here comes the fractal nature of the approximation.

IFS's can be built on distribution functions as well (DSC 2003) and the `ifs` package include both families of operators (IFS-p and IFS-M)

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