

CORRECTION

Correction: Temporal Gillespie algorithm: Fast simulation of contagion processes on time-varying networks

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There is an error in Pseudocode 1, and 2, where a line was omitted after line 46 (in 1), 61 (in 2). The following line was omitted:

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tau - = xi*Lambda //subtract remainder of time-step
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Pseudocode 1:

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//Initialize:
01 FOR i=1,...,N
02   x[i] = S //set node states to S
03 ENDFOR
04 x[root] = I //set state of root node to I
05 m_I = [root] //list of infected nodes
06 N_I = 1 //number of infected nodes
07 N_R = 0 //number of recovered nodes
08 Mu = mu //cumulative recovery rate
09 tau = randexp(1) //draw tau ~ Exp(1)
//Run through the time-steps:
10 FOR t=0,1,...,T_simulation-1
//Update list of possible S->I transitions:
11   CLEAR m_SI //S nodes in contact with I nodes
12   FOR contact in contactLists[t]
13     (i,j) = contact
14     IF (x[i],x[j])==S,I
15       APPEND i to m_SI
16     ELSE IF (x[i],x[j])==I,S
17       APPEND j to m_SI
18     ENDIF
19   ENDFOR
20   M_SI = length of m_si
21   Beta = beta*M_SI //cumulative infection rate
22   Lambda = Mu+Beta //cumulative transition rate
//Check if a transition takes place:
23   IF Lambda<tau //no transition
24     tau -= Lambda
25   ELSE //at least one transition
26     xi = 1. //remaining fraction of time-step
27     WHILE xi*Lambda>=tau
28       DRAW z uniformly from [0,Lambda)
29       IF z<Beta //S->I transition
30         DRAW m at random from m_SI
31         x[m] = I
32         APPEND m to m_I
33         N_I += 1
34         Mu += mu
35       ELSE //I->R transition
36         DRAW m at random from m_I
37         x[m] = R
38         REMOVE m from m_I
39         N_I -= 1
40         N_R += 1
41         Mu -= mu
42       ENDIF
43     xi -= tau/Lambda //update remaining fraction
//Update list of S->I transitions and rates:
44     REDO lines 11-22
45     tau = randexp(1) //draw new tau
46   ENDWHILE
47   tau -= xi*Lambda //subtract remainder of time-step
48   ENDFOR
//Read out the desired quantities:
49   WRITE N_I, N_R, ...
50 ENDFOR

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Pseudocode 1. Pseudocode for an SIR process with constant and homogeneous transition rates. C++ code for homogeneous and heterogeneous populations is given in S1 Files.

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Pseudocode 2:

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//Initialize:
01 FOR i=1,...,N                                47         DRAW m from m_I with weight mus[m]
02   x[i] = S //set nodes states to S           48         x[m] = R
03 ENDFOR                                       49         REMOVE m from m_I
04 x[root] = I //set state of root node to I   50         N_I -= 1
05 t_inf[root] = 0 //time of infection = 0     51         N_R += 1
06 m_I = [root] //list of infected nodes       52         ENDIF
07 mus = [mu(0)] //list of recovery rates      53         xi -= tau/Lambda //update remaining fraction
08 Mu = mu(0) //cumulative recovery rate       //Update mus:
09 N_I = 1 //number of infected nodes          54         CLEAR mus
10 N_R = 0 //number of recovered nodes         55         FOR m in m_I
11 tau = randexp(1) //draw tau ~ Exp(1)        56           APPEND mu(t*-t_inf[m]) to mus
//Run through the time-steps:                 57         ENDFOR
12 FOR t=0,1,...,T_simulation-1                58         Mu = sum of mus
//Update mus if t-t*>=epsilon*mu_avg:          //Update list of S->I transitions and rates:
13   IF t-t*>=epsilon*mu_avg                    59         REDO lines 20-31
14     CLEAR mus                                60         tau = randexp(1) //draw new tau
15     FOR m in m_I                              61         ENDWHILE
16       APPEND mu(t-t_inf[m]) to mus           62         tau -= xi*Lambda //subtract remainder of time-step
17     ENDFOR                                    63         ENDIF
18     Mu = sum of mus                           //Read out the desired quantities:
19   ENDIF                                       64         WRITE N_I, N_R, ...
//Update list of possible S->I transitions:    65 ENDFOR
20 CLEAR m_SI //S nodes in contact with I nodes
21 FOR contact in contactLists[t]
22   (i,j) = contact
23   IF (x[i],x[j])==(S,I)
24     APPEND i to m_SI
25   ELSE IF (x[i],x[j])==(I,S)
26     APPEND j to m_SI
27   ENDIF
28 ENDFOR
29 M_SI = length of m_si
30 Beta = beta*M_SI //cumulative infection rate
31 Lambda = Mu+Beta //cumulative transition rate
//Check if transition takes place:
32 IF Lambda<tau //no transition
33   tau -= Lambda
34 ELSE //at least one transition
35   xi = 1. //remaining fraction of time-step
36   t* = t //for calculating transition times
37   WHILE xi*Lambda>=tau
38     t* += tau/Lambda //transition time
39     DRAW z uniformly from [0,Lambda)
40     IF z<Beta //S->I transition
41       DRAW m at random from m_SI
42       x[m] = I
43       t_inf[m] = t*
44       APPEND m to m_I
45       N_I += 1
46     ELSE //I->R transition

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Pseudocode 2. Pseudocode for a non-Markovian SIR process with non-constant recovery rates. The function mu returns the instantaneous recovery rate as function of $(t-t^*)$; for Weibull distributed recovery times, mu is given by Eq. (23). C++ code is given in S1 Files.

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This change in the pseudocode results in changes to supporting information S1, S2 and S3 Figs. The corrected supporting information figures are:

Supporting information

S1 Fig. Numerical results from temporal Gillespie and rejection sampling algorithms for contagion processes taking place on empirical networks. (A)–(D) for a SIR process and (E)–(H) a SIS process. (A),(B),(E), and (F) for $\beta\Delta t = 10^{-2}$ and $\mu\Delta t = 10^{-4}$; (C),(D),(G), and (H) for $\beta\Delta t = 10^{-1}$ and $\mu\Delta t = 10^{-3}$. (A),(C) Mean number of nodes in each state of the SIR model as function of time. (B),(D) Distribution of final epidemic size (number of recovered nodes when $I = 0$) in the SIR model. (E),(G) Mean number of nodes in each state of the SIS model as function of time. (F),(H) Distribution of the number of infected nodes in the stationary state ($t \rightarrow \infty$) of the SIS model. All simulations were performed 1 000 000 times with the root node chosen at random on a face-to-face contact network recorded in a high school (Table 1). (PDF)

S2 Fig. Comparison of numerical results from temporal Gillespie and rejection sampling algorithms for high transition probability per time-step. (A)–(D) for a SIR process and (E)–(H) a SIS process. (A),(B),(E), and (F) for $\beta\Delta t = 10^{-1}$ and $\mu\Delta t = 10^{-3}$; (C),(D),(G), and (H) for $\beta\Delta t = 1$ and $\mu\Delta t = 10^{-2}$. (A),(C) Mean number of nodes in each state of the SIR model as function of time. (B),(D) Distribution of final epidemic size (number of recovered nodes when $I = 0$) in the SIR model. (E),(G) Mean number of nodes in each state of the SIS model as function of time. (F),(H) Distribution of the number of infected nodes in the stationary state ($t \rightarrow \infty$) of the SIS model. All simulations were performed 1 000 000 times with the root node chosen at random on an activity driven network consisting of $N = 100$ nodes, with activities $a_i = \eta z_i$, where $\eta = 0.1$ and $z_i \sim z_i^{-3.2}$ for $z_i \in [0.03, 1)$, and a node formed two contacts when active. (PDF)

S3 Fig. Comparison of numerical results from temporal Gillespie and rejection sampling algorithms for a non-Markovian SIR process. (A),(C) Mean number of nodes in each state as function of time in the SIR model with Weibull distributed recovery times (Sec. 6: “Non-Markovian processes”); the parameter controlling the precision of the temporal Gillespie algorithm was set to $\epsilon = 0$ (quasi-exact). (B),(D) Distribution of final epidemic size (number of recovered nodes when $I = 0$). (A),(B) $\beta\Delta t = 10^{-2}$ and $\mu\Delta t = 10^{-4}$; (C),(D) $\beta\Delta t = 10^{-1}$ and $\mu\Delta t = 10^{-3}$. The outcome of the rejection sampling algorithm approaches that of the temporal Gillespie algorithm as $\beta\Delta t$ and $\mu\Delta t$ become smaller. All simulations were performed 100 000 times with the root node chosen at random on an activity driven network consisting of $N = 100$ nodes, with activities $a_i = \eta z_i$, where $\eta = 0.1$ and $z_i \sim z_i^{-3.2}$ for $z_i \in [0.03, 1)$, and a node formed two contacts when active. Nodes’ recovery times followed Eq. (20) with $\gamma = 1.5$ and the length of a time-step was $\Delta t = 1$ s. (PDF)

Reference

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