

Chapter ②: Poisson Process

① Exponential distribution:

①.1 * We say that X has an exponential distribution with parameter $\lambda > 0$ if:

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} & ; x \geq 0 \\ 0 & ; x < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$* F_X(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-\lambda x} & ; x \geq 0 \\ 0 & ; x < 0 \end{cases}$$

* moment generating function:

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_X(t) &= E e^{tX} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{tx} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx \\ &= \lambda \int_0^{\infty} e^{(t-\lambda)x} dx = \frac{\lambda}{t-\lambda} e^{(t-\lambda)x} \Big|_0^{\infty} \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{t < \lambda} \quad = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda - t}$$

* Mean: $E(X) = \varphi_X'(0)$

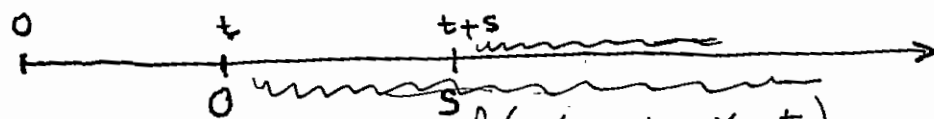
$$\varphi_X'(t) = \frac{\lambda}{(\lambda - t)^2} ; \quad \varphi_X''(t) = \frac{2\lambda}{(\lambda - t)^3}$$

$$E(X) = \frac{1}{\lambda} ; \quad E(X^2) = \frac{2}{\lambda^2}$$

$$* \text{Variance: } \text{Var}(X) = \frac{2}{\lambda^2} - \left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$$

①.2 Memoryless Property:

$$P(X > s+t \mid X > t) = P(X > s)$$



$$\begin{aligned} P(X > s+t \mid X > t) &= \frac{P(X > s+t; X > t)}{P(X > t)} \\ &= \frac{P(X > s+t)}{P(X > t)} = \frac{1 - F_X(s+t)}{1 - F_X(t)} \\ &= \frac{e^{-\lambda(s+t)}}{e^{-\lambda t}} = e^{-\lambda s} = 1 - F_X(s) \\ &= P(X > s) \end{aligned}$$

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$$* P(X > s+t) = P(X > t) \cdot P(X > s)$$

Example: Suppose the amount of time spend in a bank by a customer is exponentially distributed with mean 10 mns.

1- Find the probability that a customer will spend more than 15 mns?

2- _____, given that he is still in the bank after 10 mns?

$$X \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda), \quad \lambda = \frac{1}{10} = 0.1$$

$$1- P(X > 15) = 1 - F(15) = e^{-0.1 \times 15} = e^{-1.5}$$

$$2- P(X > 15 | X > 10) = P(X > 5) = e^{-0.1 \times 5} = e^{-0.5}$$

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Compounded exponential distribution:

let X^1, X^2, \dots, X^n independent and exponentially distributed with parameter λ .

let define $X = X^1 + \dots + X^n$.

Then X has a Gamma distribution with parameters n and λ :

$$f_X(x) = \frac{\lambda^n}{(n-1)!} x^{n-1} e^{-\lambda x}; \quad x > 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_X(t) &= E e^{t(X^1 + \dots + X^n)} = E(e^{tX^1} \dots e^{tX^n}) \\ &= E e^{tX^1} \dots E e^{tX^n} = \left(\frac{\lambda}{\lambda - t}\right)^n, \quad \underline{t < \lambda} \end{aligned}$$

let $Y \sim \text{Gamma}(\lambda, n)$:

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_Y(t) &= \int_0^\infty e^{tx} \frac{\lambda^n}{(n-1)!} x^{n-1} e^{-\lambda x} dx \\ &= \frac{\lambda^n}{(n-1)!} \int_0^\infty x^{n-1} e^{-(\lambda-t)x} dx \\ &= \frac{\lambda^n}{(\lambda-t)^n} = \left(\frac{\lambda}{\lambda-t}\right)^n \end{aligned}$$

* Let $X_1 \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda_1)$; $X_2 \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda_2)$; X_1 and X_2 are independent.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X_1 < X_2) &= \iint_{x_1 < x_2} \lambda_1 e^{-\lambda_1 x_1} \lambda_2 e^{-\lambda_2 x_2} dx_1 dx_2 \\
 &= \int_0^{\infty} dx_2 \lambda_2 e^{-\lambda_2 x_2} \left(\int_0^{x_2} \lambda_1 e^{-\lambda_1 x_1} dx_1 \right) \\
 &= \int_0^{\infty} dx_2 \lambda_2 e^{-\lambda_2 x_2} (1 - e^{-\lambda_1 x_2}) = \int_0^{\infty} dx_2 \left[\lambda_2 e^{-\lambda_2 x_2} - \lambda_2 e^{-\lambda_1 x_2} e^{-\lambda_2 x_2} \right] \\
 &= 1 - \lambda_2 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)x_2} dx_2 \\
 &= 1 - \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2} = \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2}
 \end{aligned}$$

if $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \lambda$: $P(X_1 < X_2) = \frac{1}{2}$.

* Convolution of exponential distributions:

Let f and g two real functions.
we define the convolution of f and g by:

$$f * g(x) = \int f(x-y) g(y) dy$$

① $X_1 \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda_1)$; $X_2 \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda_2)$, X_1 and X_2 are independent.

$$X = X_1 + X_2$$

what is the density function of X ?

$f_X = ?$

$$F_X(x) = P(X \leq x) = P(X_1 + X_2 \leq x)$$

$$= \int P(X_1 + X_2 \leq x | X_1 = y) f_{X_1}(y) dy$$

$$= \int P(X_2 \leq x - y) f_{X_1}(y) dy$$

$$= \int F_{X_2}(x - y) f_{X_1}(y) dy$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_X(x) &= F'_X(x) = \int F'_{X_2}(x-y) f_{X_1}(y) dy = \int f_{X_2}(x-y) f_{X_1}(y) dy \\
 &= (f_{X_2} * f_{X_1})(x)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$E(X) = \int E(X|Y=y) f_Y(y) dy$$

$X = X_1 + X_2$, X_1 and X_2 are independent.

$$f_X = f_{X_1} * f_{X_2}$$

$$f_{X_1}(u) = \lambda_1 e^{-\lambda_1 u}, u \geq 0, \quad f_{X_2}(u) = \lambda_2 e^{-\lambda_2 u}, u \geq 0.$$

$$f_X(u) = \int_0^{\infty} \lambda_1 e^{-\lambda_1 y} \lambda_2 e^{-\lambda_2 (u-y)} dy \quad \begin{matrix} x-y \geq 0 \\ y \leq x. \end{matrix}$$

$$= \lambda_1 \lambda_2 e^{-\lambda_2 x} \int_0^x e^{-(\lambda_1 - \lambda_2)y} dy$$

$$\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$$

$$= \lambda_1 \lambda_2 e^{-\lambda_2 x} \left[\frac{-1}{\lambda_1 - \lambda_2} e^{-(\lambda_1 - \lambda_2)y} \right]_0^x$$

$$= \lambda_1 \lambda_2 e^{-\lambda_2 x} \frac{-1}{\lambda_1 - \lambda_2} \left(e^{-(\lambda_1 - \lambda_2)x} - 1 \right)$$

$$= \frac{\lambda_1 \lambda_2}{\lambda_2 - \lambda_1} \left(e^{-\lambda_1 x} - e^{-\lambda_2 x} \right) \quad x \geq 0.$$

X is called hypoexponential random variable.

* $X = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n$: $\lambda_i \neq \lambda_j, i, j = 1, \dots, n$.

$$f_X(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n C_{i,n} \lambda_i e^{-\lambda_i x} \quad ; \quad x \geq 0.$$

$$C_{i,n} = \prod_{j \neq i} \frac{\lambda_j}{\lambda_j - \lambda_i}$$

② Poisson Process :

X_t = continuous time stochastic process
if t takes its value in an interval
and X_t is a random variable.

②.1 Counting process :

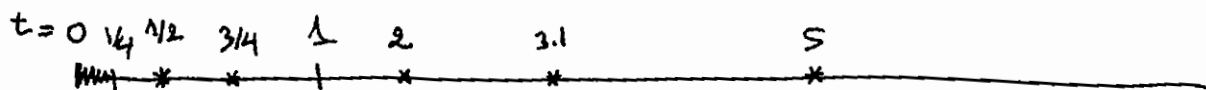
A Counting process $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ is a process
counting the number of times, a certain
"event" has occurred before time t .

X_t is a discrete random variable.

$$X_{0.5}, \quad X_{\frac{2}{3}}$$

Examples:

① let $X_t = N_{t,0}$ be the number of customers arriving at a store before time t .



$X_{1/4}$ = number of customers arriving at the first quarter.

$$X_{1/4} = 0$$

$X_1 =$ _____ at the 1st hour.
= 2.

$$X_4 = 4$$

② X_t = number of times, a printer is out of service before time t .

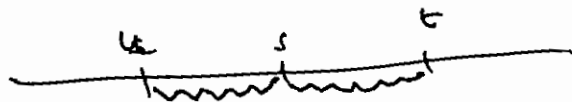
2.2 Poisson Process:

A Poisson Process $(N_t)_{t \geq 0}$ is a counting process such that:

(i) $N_0 = 0$.

(ii) the process has independent increments:

$N_t - N_s, N_s - N_u$ are independent.
 $u < s < t$.



(iii) $N_t \sim \text{Poi}(\lambda t)$.

λ is called the rate of the process N .

$$P(N_t = k) = e^{-\lambda t} \frac{(\lambda t)^k}{k!}; \quad E(N_t) = \lambda t$$

$$\text{Var}(N_t) = \lambda t.$$

Exercise: Let the Poisson Process (N_t) with rate λ . Compute $E(N_t N_s)$, $s \leq t$?

$$\begin{aligned} E(N_t N_s) &= E((N_t - N_s) + N_s) N_s \\ &= E(N_t - N_s) \cancel{E(N_s)} + E(N_s)^2 \\ &= E(N_t - N_s) E(N_s) + (\lambda s)^2 + \lambda s \end{aligned}$$

$$E(x^2) = (E(x))^2 + \text{Var}(x)$$

$N_t - N_s$, $N_s - N_0$ are independent.

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lambda(t-s) \lambda s + (\lambda s) + \lambda s \\ &= \lambda^2 s t + \lambda s = \lambda s (1 + \lambda t) \end{aligned}$$

$$N_t - N_s \sim N_{t-s}$$

Example: Suppose the number of customers arriving at a store, is a Poisson Process with rate $\lambda = 4$ per hour.

- Find the Probability that only 2 customers arrive at the first $\frac{1}{2}$ hour.
- Find the Probability that 5 customers arrive before 2 hours given that only one customer arrives before 1 hour?

$$a) P(N_{1/2} = 2) = \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2} \times 4} \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 4\right)^2}{2!} = 2e^{-2}$$

$$b) P(N_2 = 5 | N_1 = 1) = \frac{2! P(N_2 = 5; N_1 = 1)}{P(N_1 = 1)}$$

$$P(N_1=1) = e^{-4} \frac{4^1}{1!} = 4e^{-4}$$

$$P(N_2=5; N_1=1) = P((N_2 - N_1) + N_1 = 5; N_1=1)$$

$$= P(N_2 - N_1 = 4; N_1=1)$$

$$= P(N_2 - N_1 = 4) P(N_1=1)$$

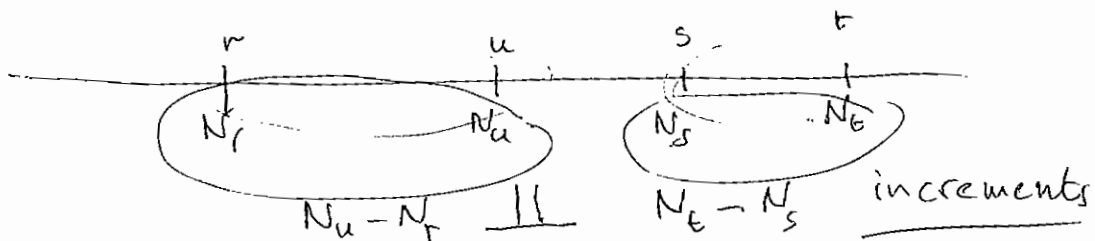
$$= P(N_1=4) 4e^{-4}$$

$$= e^{-4} \frac{4^4}{4!} 4e^{-4}$$

$$P(N_2=5 | N_1=1) = e^{-4} \frac{4^4}{4!}$$

$$N_t - N_s \neq N_{t-s}$$

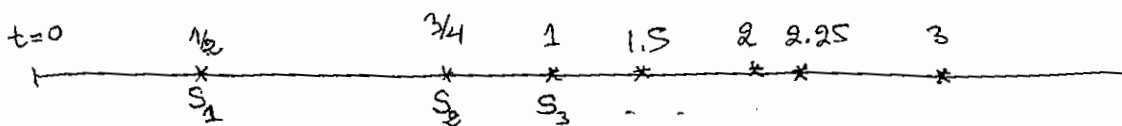
$N_t - N_s$, $N_s - N_0$ are independent.



$$P(N_2=5 | N_1=1) = P(N_2 - N_1 = 4) = P(N_1=4) = e^{-4} \frac{4^4}{4!}$$

2.3 Arrival times and Interarrival times:

* Arrival times:

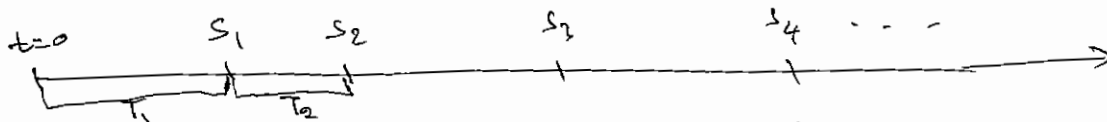


S_1 = time at which the "event" occurred for the first time.

S_n = time at which the "event" occurred for the n th time.

Distribution of S_n = ?

* Inter-arrival time:



$$T_1 = S_1 \quad , \quad T_2 = S_2 - S_1 \quad , \quad \dots \quad , \quad T_n = S_n - S_{n-1}$$

* \mathbb{E}_x Distribution of T_1 :

$$P(T_1 \leq t) = P(S_1 \leq t) = P(N_t \geq 1)$$

$$= 1 - P(N_t = 0) = 1 - e^{-\lambda t} \frac{(\lambda t)^0}{0!}$$

$$= 1 - e^{-\lambda t}$$

$$T_i \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$$

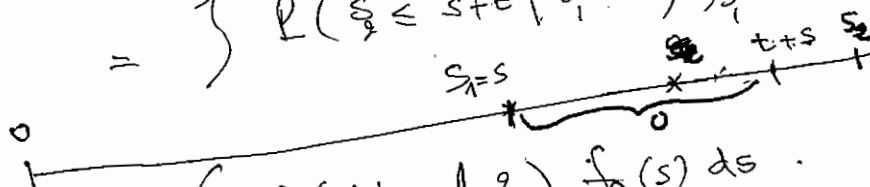
Distribution of T_2 :

$$P(T_2 \leq t) = P(S_2 - S_1 \leq t)$$

$$= \int_{s_1=s}^{\infty} P(s_2 \leq s+t | s_1=s) f_{s_1}(s) ds$$

T_1, T_2 indep.

S_1, S_2 not indep



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$$\begin{aligned}
&= \int_0^{\infty} \lambda e^{-\lambda s} ds - \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\lambda(t+s)} \lambda e^{-\lambda s} ds \\
&\quad - \int_0^{\infty} \lambda t e^{-\lambda(t+s)} \lambda e^{-\lambda s} ds + \int_0^{\infty} \lambda s e^{-\lambda(t+s)} \lambda e^{-\lambda s} ds \\
&= 1 - \lambda t e^{-\lambda t} \left(\int_0^{\infty} e^{-2\lambda s} ds \right) - \lambda t e^{-\lambda t} \left(\int_0^{\infty} s e^{-2\lambda s} ds \right) \\
&= 1 - \lambda t e^{-\lambda t} \frac{1}{2\lambda} - \lambda t e^{-\lambda t} \frac{1}{2\lambda} \\
&= 1 - e^{-\lambda t} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\lambda t}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

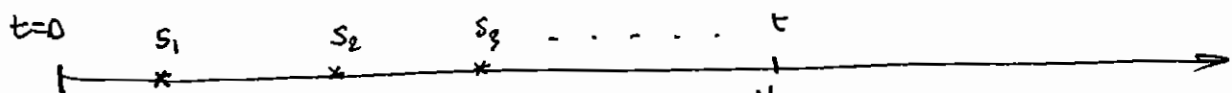
$$T_2 \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$$

$$\dots T_n \sim \text{exp}(\lambda)$$

Theorem: * each T_n has an exponential distribution with parameter λ .

** T_1, T_2, \dots are independent.

theorem: $S_n = T_1 + \dots + T_n \sim \text{Gamma}(\lambda, n-1)$.



$\begin{matrix} N_t \\ N_t^1 \\ N_t^2 \end{matrix} \bigg\} \text{Poisson Process.}$

$$* N_t \sim \text{Poi}(\text{rate } \lambda).$$

$$* N = N^1 + N^2$$

$$* N^1 \sim \text{Poi}(\lambda p)$$

$$* N^2 \sim \text{Poi}(\lambda(1-p)).$$

$$p = P(\text{Customer is a man}).$$

