

STAT 150 Poisson Process.

3.1 Exponential Distribution : $P(T \leq t) = 1 - e^{-\lambda t}$, $t \geq 0$

(Durrett) PDF: $f_T(t) = \begin{cases} \lambda e^{-\lambda t}, & t \geq 0 \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$

$$\therefore E(T) = 1/\lambda \quad E(T^2) = 2/\lambda^2 \quad \text{Var}(T) = 1/\lambda^2$$

Properties: ① Lack of memory: $T \sim \text{Exp Dist with } \lambda$. then

$$P(T > t+s | T > t) = P(T > s)$$

② Exponential races: $S = \text{Exp}(\lambda)$ $T = \text{Exp}(\mu)$, then:

$$P(\min(S, T) > t) = e^{-(\lambda + \mu)t}, \text{ i.e., } \min(S, T) \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda + \mu)$$

$$\text{And } P(S < T) = \int_0^\infty f_S(s) P(T > s) ds = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \mu}$$

Theorem: Let $V = \min(T_1, \dots, T_n)$ and I be the (random) index of the T_i that is smallest.

$$P(V > t) = \exp(-(\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_n)t)$$

$$P(I = i) = \frac{\lambda_i}{\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_n}$$

With Exp Dist, here to define Poisson Process

Def: We say X has a poisson distribution with mean λ , or $X = \text{poisson}(\lambda)$

$$\text{if: } P(X = n) = e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^n}{n!} \text{ for } n = 0, 1, \dots$$

Theorem (of Poisson): For any $k \geq 1$: $E[X(X-1)\dots(X-k+1)] = \lambda^k$, and hence $\text{var}(X) = \lambda$

Theorem: If X_i are independent $\text{Poisson}(\lambda_i)$ then

$$X_1 + \dots + X_k = \text{Poisson}(\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_n)$$

Def: $\{N(s), s \geq 0\}$ is a Poisson process, if:

$$(i) N(0) = 0$$

$$(ii) N(t+s) - N(s) = \text{Poisson}(\lambda t)$$

(iii) $N(t)$ has independent increment, i.e., $t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n$. then:

$$N(t_1) - N(t_0), \dots, N(t_n) - N(t_{n-1}) \text{ are independent.}$$

Theorem: If n is large, then binomial $(n, \lambda/n)$ dist is approximately poisson(λ)

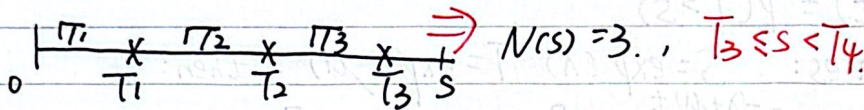
Constructing a PP:

Def: Let $\tau_1, \tau_2, \dots$ be indep $\exp(\lambda)$ dist r.v.s, let:

$T_n = \tau_1 + \dots + \tau_n$ for $n \geq 1$, $T_0 = 0$, then define:

$$N(s) = \max \{n: T_n \leq s\}.$$

Think of T_n as times between arrival. $T_n = \tau_1 + \dots + \tau_n$ is the arrival time of the n -th customer. $N(s)$ is the number of arrivals by times.



Theorem: Let $\tau_1, \tau_2, \dots, \tau_n$ be indep $\text{Exp}(\lambda)$. Then $T_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \tau_i$ has a gamma (n, λ) distribution. That is:

$$f_{T_n}(t) = \lambda e^{-\lambda t} \frac{(\lambda t)^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} \quad \text{for } t \geq 0$$

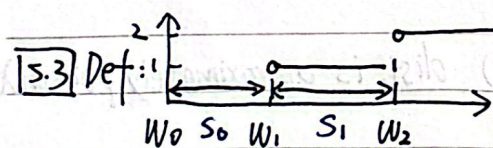
Lemma: $N(s)$ has a Poisson Distribution with mean λs . ($0 \leq r < s$)
 $N(t+s) - N(s)$ is a rate λ Poisson Process and independent of $N(r)$.
 $\Rightarrow N(t)$ has independent increments.

Nonhomogeneous Poisson Process: We say $\{N(s), s \geq 0\}$ is a PP with rate $\lambda(r)$ if (i) $N_0 = 0$ (ii) $N(t)$ has independent increment and (iii) $N(t) - N(s)$ is Poisson with mean $\int_s^t \lambda(r) dr$

[5.2] Theorem: Let $\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \dots$ be independent Bernoulli random variables, where $\Pr\{\epsilon_i = 1\} = p_i$ $\Pr\{\epsilon_i = 0\} = 1 - p_i$.

Let $S_n = \epsilon_1 + \dots + \epsilon_n$. The exact probabilities for S_n with $\mu_n = p_1 + \dots + p_n$ differ by at most:

$$\left| \Pr\{S_n = k\} - \frac{\mu^k e^{-\mu}}{k!} \right| \leq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i^2$$



[5.3] Def: Theorem: The waiting time W_n has gamma distribution whose PDF is:

$$f_{W_n}(t) = \frac{\lambda^n t^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} e^{-\lambda t}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots, t \geq 0$$

In particular: $f_{W_1}(t) = \lambda e^{-\lambda t} \sim \text{Exponential}(\lambda)$

Very useful PDF! Pf: $F_{W_n}(t) = \Pr\{W_n \leq t\} = \Pr\{X(t) \geq n\}$

And $\Pr\{X(t) = k\} \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda t)$

$$\therefore P(X(t) = k) = \frac{(\lambda t)^k e^{-\lambda t}}{k!} = \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda t)^k e^{-\lambda t}}{k!} = 1 - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{(\lambda t)^k e^{-\lambda t}}{k!}$$

And we know: $f_{W_n}(t) = \frac{dF_{W_n}(t)}{dt}$

Meanwhile: S_n are called sojourn times, and $f_{S_k}(s) = \lambda e^{-\lambda s}, s \geq 0$

Also: $\Pr\{X(u) = k | X(t) = n\} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} \left(\frac{u}{t}\right)^k \left(1 - \frac{u}{t}\right)^{n-k}$ Binomial $(n, u/t)$

Proof: $\Pr\{X(t) = n, X(u) = k\} = \frac{\Pr\{X(t) = n\}}{e^{-\lambda t} (\lambda t)^n / n!}$

5.4 Uniform Distribution and Poisson Process

Let $W_1 \leq W_2 \leq \dots \leq W_n \leq t$. Let U_i be the i -th dart thrown, and $f_{U_i}(u) = \frac{1}{t}$

The joint PDF of $W_1, \dots, W_n$ is:

$$f_{W_1, \dots, W_n}(w_1, \dots, w_n) = n! t^{-n}$$

Also theorem: Let $W_1, \dots, W_n$ be the occurrence times in PP of rate $\lambda > 0$. Conditioned on $N(t) = n$: Theo: equivalent

$$f_{W_1, \dots, W_n | X(t) = n}(w_1, \dots, w_n) = n! t^{-n} \text{ for } 0 < w_1 < \dots < w_n \leq t$$

5.4.1 Assume: ① Electrons arrive at an anode according to PP with λ

② An arriving electron produces a current whose intensity $\times$ time units after arrival is given by $h(x)$

$\therefore I(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{X(t)} h(t - W_k)$ Suppose $h(x) = e^{-\theta x}$ and there are noise $h(x) = x^{-\theta}$

We use uniform distribution over interval $(0, t]$ and def $E_k = h(U_k)$

$$S(t) = E_1 + \dots + E_{X(t)} = I(t)$$

$$E[I(t)] = E[S(t)] = \lambda t E[h(U_1)] = \lambda \int_0^t h(u) du$$

$$\text{Similarly } \text{Var}(I(t)) = \dots = \lambda \int_0^t h(u)^2 du$$

Also $\boxed{\Pr\{I(t) \leq \alpha\}} = \Pr\left\{\sum_{k=1}^{X(t)} h(t - X_{(k)}) \leq \alpha\right\}$

$\star \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \Pr\left\{\sum_{k=1}^n h(t - W_k) \leq \alpha \mid X(t) = n\right\} \Pr\{X(t) = n\}$

With Theorem in 5.4 and essentiality equivalence:

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \Pr\left\{\sum_{k=1}^n h(t - U_k) \leq \alpha\right\} \Pr\{X(t) = n\}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \Pr\left\{\sum_{k=1}^n h(U_k) \leq \alpha\right\} \Pr\{X(t) = n\} = \boxed{\Pr\{S(t) \leq \alpha\}} = \boxed{\Pr\{E_1 + \dots + E_{X(t)} \leq \alpha\}}$$

Exercise: Customers arrive according to PP of rate λ . Each pay 1\$ at arrival and it is desired to evaluate the expected value of total sum collected during $(0, t]$ discounted back to time t . This quantity is given by:

$$M = E\left[\sum_{k=1}^{X(t)} e^{-\beta W_k}\right]$$

where $W_1, \dots$ are arrival times. Then:

$$M = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} E\left(\sum_{k=1}^n e^{-\beta W_k}\right) \cdot P(X(t) = n)$$

$$\hookrightarrow = E\left(\sum_{k=1}^n e^{-\beta U_k}\right) = n \cdot E(e^{-\beta U_1}) = n \int_0^t e^{-\beta u} \frac{1}{t} du = \frac{n}{\beta t} (1 - e^{-\beta t})$$

$$\therefore M = \frac{n}{\beta t} (1 - e^{-\beta t}) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(X(t) = n) = \frac{1}{\beta t} (1 - e^{-\beta t}) E(X(t)) = \frac{\lambda}{\beta} (1 - e^{-\beta t})$$

Theorem: Superposition Theorem: $\pi_i = \{\pi_1^{(i)} < \pi_2^{(i)} < \dots\}$, $\pi_i \sim PP(\lambda_i)$ s.t. $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \lambda_i < \infty$. Then: $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \pi_i \sim PP(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \lambda_i)$

[5.5] Spatial Poisson Processes

Let S be a subset of real line, two-dim plane or three-dim space; let $\mathcal{A}$ be the family of subsets in S , and for any A in $\mathcal{A}$, let $|A|$ denote the size of A . Then $\{N(A); A \text{ in } \mathcal{A}\}$ is a homogeneous point process of intensity $\lambda > 0$ if:

1) for each A in $\mathcal{A}$, r.v. $N(A)$ has a Poisson distribution with parameter $\lambda |A|$

2) for every finite collection $\{A_1, \dots, A_n\}$ of disjoint subsets of S , the r.v. $N(A_1), \dots, N(A_n)$ are independent.

So: $\Pr\{N(A) = k\} = \frac{e^{-\lambda |A|} (\lambda |A|)^k}{k!}$ and $\Pr\{N(B) = 1 \mid N(A) = 1\} = \frac{|B|}{|A|}$ for $\forall B \subseteq A$

[5.b] Compound and Marked Poisson Process

Given PP $X(t)$ with λ , suppose each event has associated with it with a r.v. representing something. The successive values $Y_1, Y_2, \dots$ are assumed to be independent and r.v. sharing the common distribution function:

$$G(y) = \Pr \{ Y_k \leq y \}$$

And a compound PP process is the cumulative value process defined by:

$$Z(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{X(t)} Y_k$$

A marked PP is the sequence of pairs $(W_i, Y_i) \dots$

[5.b.1] Compound PP: $Z(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{X(t)} Y_k$. If $\mu = E(Y_1)$, $\sigma^2 = \text{Var}(Y_1)$, then:
 $E[Z(t)] = \lambda \mu t$, $\text{Var}[Z(t)] = \lambda t (\sigma^2 + \mu^2)$

[5.b.2] Marked PP: $G(y) = \Pr \{ Y_k \leq y \}$. Mark each point of N by $1, 2, 3, \dots$ with prob: $p_1, p_2, \dots$. $p_i > 0$ and $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i = 1$

Let $N^{(i)} = (N_t^{(i)})$ s.t. $N_t^{(i)} = \#$ of points in $[0, t]$ marked with i

Then $N^{(1)}, N^{(2)}, \dots$ are independent PP with λp_i rate.