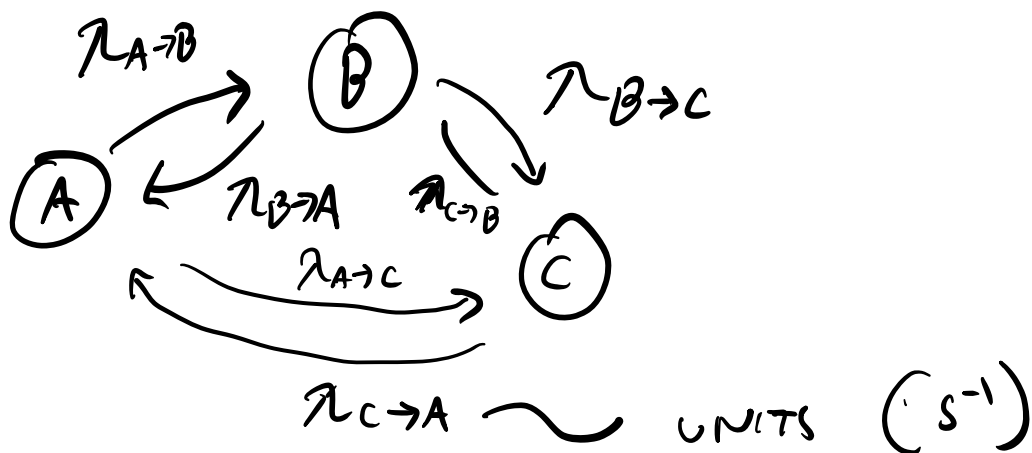
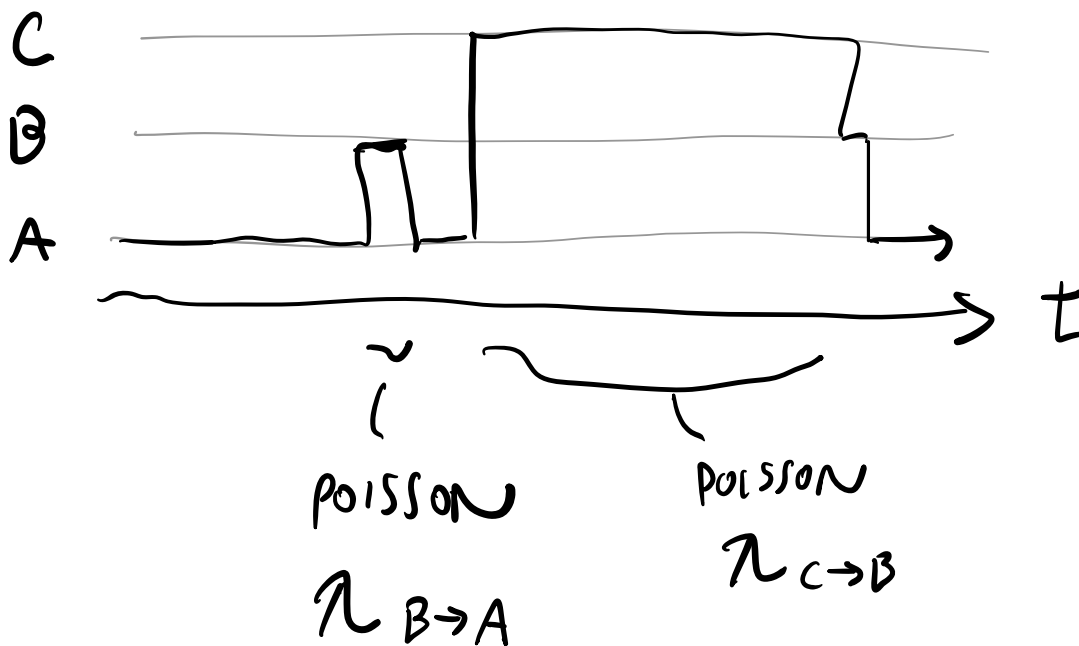


# CONTINUOUS TIME MARKOV CHAIN

CONTINUOUS TIME STOCHASTIC PROCESS  
WHERE STATE SPACE HAS  $N$   
DISCRETE STATES, TRANSITIONS  
BETWEEN STATES ARE POISSON



NEXT EVENT FROM B

IS POISSON WITH RATE  $\lambda_{B \rightarrow C} + \lambda_{B \rightarrow A}$

$$P(B \rightarrow C) = \frac{\lambda_{B \rightarrow C}}{\lambda_{B \rightarrow C} + \lambda_{B \rightarrow A}}$$

$\mathbb{P}_i(t)$  - PROB OF BEING IN STATE  $i$   
AT TIME  $t$

LET  $\vec{\mathbb{P}}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{P}_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ \mathbb{P}_N(t) \end{bmatrix}$  THEN

$$\frac{d\vec{\mathbb{P}}}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} -\sum_{i \neq 1} \lambda_{1 \rightarrow i} & \lambda_{2 \rightarrow 1} \\ \lambda_{1 \rightarrow 2} & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots \end{bmatrix} \cdot \vec{\mathbb{P}}$$

COLUMN  $N$   $N \times N$

$$\Sigma = 0$$

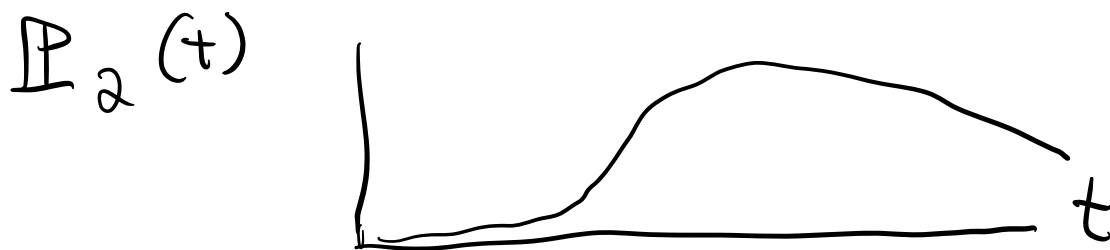
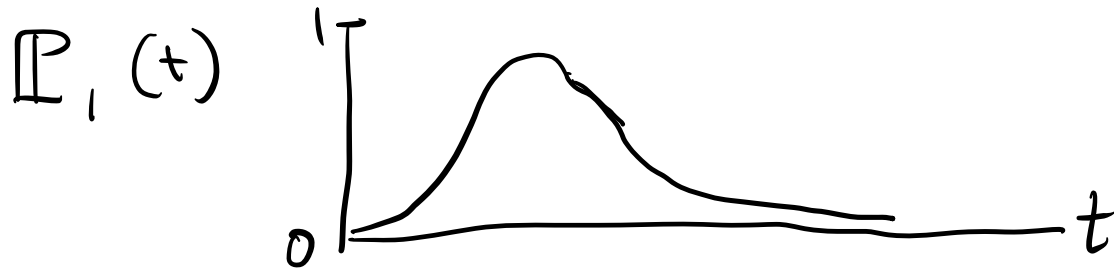
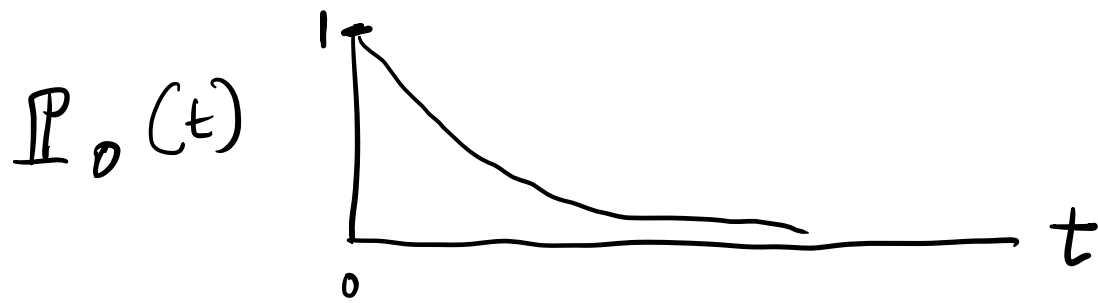
EX  $N(t)$  - # POISSON EVENTS UP TO TIME  $t$



MATRIX =

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & 0 & 0 & 0 & \vdots \\ \lambda & -\lambda & 0 & 0 & \vdots \\ 0 & \lambda & -\lambda & 0 & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda & -\lambda & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{P}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$



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