Bases of random models

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Outline

- 1. Independent Increment Processes
- 2. Wiener(-Levy) Processes
- 3. Counting Processes

◆Increments

the increment of a stochastic process $\{X(t), t \in T\}$ with respect to the interval $[t_1, t_2]$ is the difference $X(t_2) - X(t_1)$.

Def. 1 Independent Increment Process

A stochastic process X(t) is said to be an independent increment process if $X(t_{i+1}) - X(t_i)$, where i=0,1,2,..., is statistically independent . (and thereby statistically uncorrelated).

Def.2 Stationary Increment Process

A stochastic process X(t) is said to be a stationary increment process if its increments $X(t_2 + \tau) - X(t_1 + \tau)$ have the same probability distribution for all τ with $t_1 + \tau \in T$, $t_2 + \tau \in T$; t_1, t_2 fixed, but arbitrary.

Def.2 Stationary Increment Process

an equivalent definition:

A stochastic process X(t) is said to be a stationary increment process if the probability distribution of $X(t+\tau)-X(t)$ does not depend on t for any fixed τ ; $t,t+\tau\in T$

A stochastic process with stationary increments need not be stationary in any sense.(strictly or weakly)

Def.3

Stationary Independent Increment Process

A stochastic process X(t) which possess both stationary as well as independent increments properties is called a stationary independent increment process.

e.g.1.

Given: X(t) is an independent increment process, $X(t_0)=0$.

Prove: Its autocovariance function is equal to variance function.

Sln:

$$C_{XX}(t_1, t_2) = Var(X(t_1))$$

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2. Wiener(-Levy) Processes

(Brownian motion process)

A special Gaussian process.

Def.1 Wiener-Levy process a stochastic process X(t) is said to be a Wiener-Levy process if

- (i) X(t) has stationary independent increment.
- (ii) Every independent increment is normally distributed.
- (iii) E[X(t)]=0 for all time.
- (iv) X(0)=0.

2. Wiener(-Levy) Processes

◆Increments distribution of a Wiener process

$$X(t_2) - X(t_1) \sim N(0, \sigma^2 | t_2 - t_1 |)$$

The distribution of a Wiener process

$$X(t) \sim N(0, \sigma^2 |t|)$$

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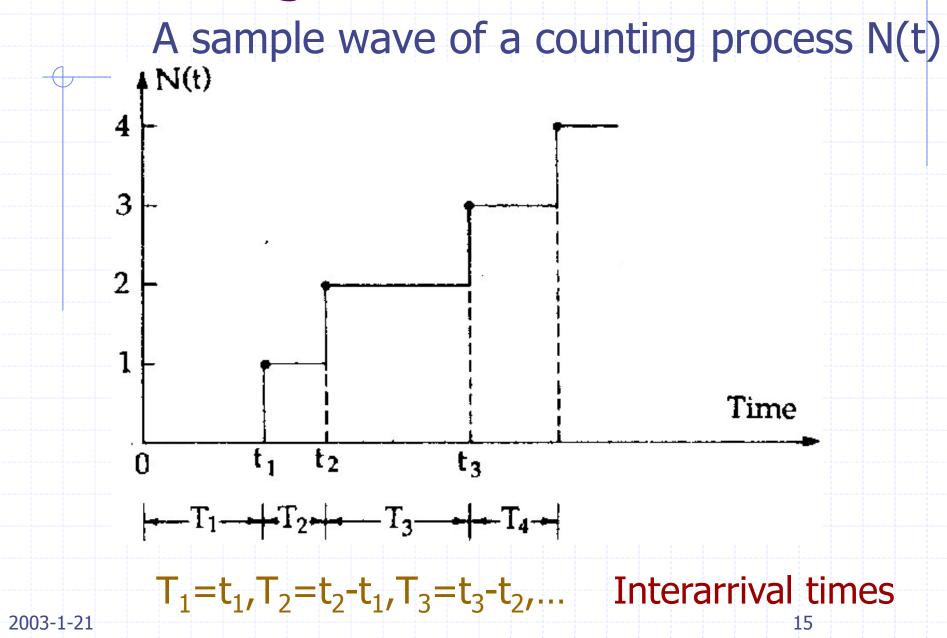
3. Counting Processes

Counting processes deal with the frequency of occurrence of random events.

Def. 1 Counting Process

An integer-valued continuous-time stochastic process N(t) is called a counting process of the series of events if N(t) represents the total number of occurrences of the event in the time interval t=0 to t.

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If the interarrival times are independent, identically distributed random variables, then the process is called a renewal process.

◆If the interarrival times(are independent, identically distributed random variables) obey an exponential distribution, the process is called a Poisson process.