

Single Node general distribution theory

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1 Introduction to Problem

We have some attack time distribution at a single node, X , with support, $\Pi = [0, \pi]$, and $B = \lceil \pi \rceil$. We also have the room cap size, b , we also have a cost c and arrival rate, λ .

This gives us the state space, (s, v) for $0 \leq s \leq B + 1$ and $0 \leq v \leq b$.

We will consider the Cost to Progress matrix, $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{O}$, where \mathbf{A} is the cost to not act due to arrival process and \mathbf{O} is the cost to not act due to the observed process.

Some Basic Properties Because the arrival process is not dependent on the observed number, $A_{i,j} = A_{i,1}$, that is \mathbf{A} can be represented by a vector $\mathbf{a} = a_i = A_{i,1}$.

If $b = 0$, we have $\mathbf{O} = \mathbf{0}$, then $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A}$.

Because the observed process is dependent on s and v just multiples the answer by v . We can summarize the matrix \mathbf{O} by $\mathbf{o} = O_{i,2}$. We can also note this is only possible if $b \geq 1$.

Then we can redefine, $C_{i,j} = a_i + j o_i$.

By our current definition $a_i = c\lambda \int_{i-1}^i F_X(x)dx$ and $o_i = c(F_X(i) - F_X(i-1))$.

So a_i is increasing.

If we want to decide when $C_{i,j}$ is increasing (non-decreasing) in i, j , by definition it is non-decreasing in j . so we will only look at it from the point of non-decreasing in i .

If o_i is non-decreasing then clearly it is non-decreasing.

However if o_i is decreasing then we must look closer. If once o_i becomes decreasing it has all $c_{i,j} \geq c\lambda$, then we can avoid the problem.

We could also restrict the problem to some $b = b^*$. For each decreasing row, we can restrict the column to only allow $c_{i,j} \geq c\lambda$.

We can define $b_i^+ = \left\lfloor \frac{a_i - c\lambda}{o_i} \right\rfloor$ and a set $\chi = \{i \mid o_i < 0\}$ and define our limit by $b^* = \min_{i \in \chi} \{b_i^+\}$

Let us consider the difference in $c_{i,j}$'s, $c_{i,j} - c_{i-1,j} = a_i - a_{i-1} + j(o_i - o_{i-1})$

We can define $c_{i,j} = c \int_{i-1}^i \lambda F_X(x) + j f_x(x) dx$. We can say this is non-decreasing if $\lambda F_X(x) + j f_x(x)$ is non-decreasing, i.e $\lambda f_X(x) + j f'_X(x) \geq 0$.

We can equivalently solve $\frac{\lambda}{j} f_X(x) \geq |f'_X(x)|$ for a function which is not strictly increasing. This is done by Gronwell's inequality theorem to get use $f(x_0)e^{-\frac{\lambda}{j}|x-x_0|} \leq$

$f(x) \leq f(x_0)e^{\frac{\lambda}{j}|x-x_0|}$ for some x_0 in the support of f_X . This is equivalent to say that the function is not increasing/decreasing exponentially.

If we only consider decreasing regions of f_X can we just check those, well lets say that in the regions $[a_i, b_i]$ for $i \in 1, \dots, n$ for some n . The function is decreasing then we could apply the same idea of Gronwell's inequality and get $f(p)e^{-\frac{\lambda}{j}|x-p|} \leq f(x) \leq f(p)e^{\frac{\lambda}{j}|x-p|}$ for some chosen $p \in [a_i, b_i]$ (all choices are valid, easy choice is $p = a_i$) for all $i \in n$.

Then this allows us to say that in the decreasing regions of f_X the equation still holds, and in the other regions it is increasing so the equation holds. Hence it holds.

So we really only need the decreasing regions to be monitored for exponential decay, if they decrease too fast we can be in trouble.

2 Alternative explanation of their index

We will first provide an alternative way to arrive at the index provided by the paper. Consider looking at the states. $s = 1, 2, \dots, B + 1$, we can consider waiting k time periods costing us $c_{s-1} + c_s + \dots + c_{s+k}$, then renewing, where $c_i = c\lambda \int_i^{i+1} F_X(t)dt$ is an increasing function. Comparing all strategies and then renewing to get g , the equilibrium value, for the amount of time over which we are comparing (which is up till the maximum).

Therefore from s we will renew in k if $g \leq c_{s+k}$, so renew now if $g \leq c_s$. That means to get the index for the state s , we need to work out $g(w) = \frac{w+c_0+\dots+c_{s-1}}{s}$, moving this into our bound gives

$$w \leq sc_s - \sum_{i=0}^{s-1} c_i$$

which with the integrations is exactly the index found before.

3 Introducing some observable parameter

Let us consider having the previous set up but when the state is renewed a second parameter v affects the cost function. That is to say each transnational cost has a second parameter, we will call the cost to transition from state (s, v) to state $(s + 1, v)$ is $c_{s,v}$. Again we are just comparing waiting k time periods from the given state (s, v) . And again if $c_{s,v}$ is increasing in s then we can get some results.

Now we are again comparing the cost of $c_{s-1,v} + \dots + c_{s+k,v}$ for $k = 0, \dots, B - s + 1$.

Due to the functions increasing nature in time, we can get that we renew now if $g \leq c_{s,v}$. Now to work out $g(\omega)$ since this depends on other v we must find there plan, to renew.

We will define \hat{s} where \hat{s}_i is the time to renew after in column i .

Therefore $\hat{s}_i = \max\{s' | c_{s',i} \leq c_{s,v}\}$ and we note that $\hat{s}_v = s$.

With a plan of \hat{s} we can work out the long run average cost $g_{\hat{s}}(\omega) = \frac{\omega + \alpha}{\beta}$. Where

$\alpha = \sum_{i=v_{\min}}^{v_{\max}} (\sum_{j=0}^{\hat{s}_i-1} c_{j,i})P(V=i)$ is the expected cost due to waiting per renewal and $\beta = \sum_{i=v_{\min}}^{v_{\max}} \hat{s}_i P(V=i)$ is the expected.

Therefore the index is

$$W(s, v) = \beta c_{s,v} - \alpha$$

We note that this collapses to their index when $V \equiv v$ as this removes the dimensional component. We can also note that as nothing is required of v , it is possible that $V : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$ is a p dimensional distribution. It is inconsequential in developing the index as long as the cost in time is increasing.

4 Locally-Observable random attackers

Consider our set up of local random attackers, we cannot easily say that our cost is increasing in time, due to the observable cost depending on time, we can however form it to be increasing by the use of the techniques discussed such as using a small enough b (Using a $b \leq b_{crit}$) or checking our distribution satisfies certain conditions (Using $f(p)e^{-\frac{\Delta}{j}|x-p|} \leq f(x) \leq f(p)e^{\frac{\Delta}{j}|x-p|}$ in its decreasing regions).

5 Continuous version of the old set up

We can form a continuous version of the problem. Let us consider a problem where the time since last visit s state is now continuous and it only takes r time to get to the node. Similarly to the theory we can limit $r \leq s \leq X_{max} + r$ (or S_{max} for more generality).

We will have a cost density, $c(t)$ and cumulative cost to renew at time s , $C(s) = \int_0^{s+r} c(u)du$, which then renews the system. Again from a state s we can choose to wait k time before renewing. Assuming the cost density is increasing (like before), we will renew now if $g \leq \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\int_{s+r}^{s+r+i} c(u)du}{i}$, now $g(\omega) = \frac{\omega + C(s)}{s+r}$

So our index is from $\omega \leq (s+r) \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\int_s^{s+i} c(u) du}{i} - C(s)$.

Example 1. For a linearly increasing cost density, $c(t) = t$, we can work out that to renew at time s we need $g \leq s+r$ and so $W = (s+r)^2 - \frac{(s+r)^2}{2} = \frac{(s+r)^2}{2}$.

Scaling our cost density, would allow us to think of this as the pdf. E.g. using $c(t) = \frac{2x}{2.7^2}$ would be a pdf.

Example 2. For uniform cost density (a non-decreasing density), we can work out that to renew at s , we need $g \leq 1$ and so $W(s) = s+r - (s+r) = 0$

6 Continuous (s,v) set up

In our observable parameter set up, for each continuous v at time s we have a cost density $c(s, v)$ and similarly a cumulatively cost $C(s, v) = \int_0^{s+r} c(u, v) du$, again where r is the return speed to that single node.

Again in state s , with an increasing cost density, we can wait k time, we will renew now if $g \leq \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\int_{s+r}^{s+r+i} c(u, v) du}{i}$

Appendices

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