# **EECS 126**

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# 1 Probability Space

### 1.1 Definition

Essentially from 70. Events happen with some probability in a larger probability space that contains all events that can happen.

## 1.2 Axioms of Probability

**Proposition 1** (Axioms) 1. (Positivity)  $P(\omega > 0)$  for any event  $\omega$  in probability space  $\Omega$ .

- 2. (Totality) In any sample space  $\Omega$ ,  $P(\Omega) = 1$ .
- 3. (Additivity) If  $A_1, A_2, \ldots, A_n$  are independent, then

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} A_i = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} A_i.$$

From just this, we can get some useful information, such as the union bound.

Theorem 2 (Union Bound)

$$P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{n} A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} P(A_i).$$

The proof is left as an exercise to the student, probably in the homework.

# 1.3 $\sigma$ -algebra

### **Definition 3** ( $\sigma$ -algebra)

Given a sample space  $\Omega$ , a set  $\mathcal{F} \subseteq 2^{\Omega}$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra if:

- 1.  $\Omega \in \mathcal{F}$
- 2. If any event A is in  $\mathcal{F}$ , then its complement  $\Omega \setminus A$  is also in  $\mathcal{F}$ .
- 3. For countably many events  $A_1, A_2, \ldots, A_n, \ldots \in \mathcal{F}$ , their union  $A = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \in \mathcal{F}$ .

The biggest note is that  $\Omega$  must be in a  $\sigma$ -algebra in order for any of the axioms of probability to apply.

# 2 Conditional Probability

- 2.1 Definition
- 2.2 Total Probability
- 2.3 Bayes' Rule
- 2.4 Continuous Bayes

# 3 It Depends

# 3.1 Independence / (Un)correlation

# 3.2 Conditional Expectation

Notice that E[X|Y] is a random variable, but E[X|Y=y] is a number. We can call E[X|Y] a function g(Y), where then E[X|Y=y]=g(y) is just a value in the function.

# 3.3 Iterated Expectation

# 4 Distributions

# 4.1 Joint Distribution

**Definition 4** (Joint Distribution)

A joint distribution  $f_{X,Y}(x,y)$ 

# 4.2 Marginal Distribution

# 4.3 Derived Distribution

# 5 Random Variables

## 5.1 Discrete

## 5.1.1 Bernoulli

- PMF:  $p_X(k) = \begin{cases} p & k = 1\\ 1 = p & k = 0 \end{cases}$
- $\bullet$  Expected value: p
- Variance: p(1-p).

### 5.1.2 Binomial

- PMF:  $p_X(k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$  over all  $k \in 0, 1, \dots, n$ .
- $\bullet$  Expected value: np
- Variance: np(1-p).

Run a Bernoulli test n times, find how many are positive.

### 5.1.3 Geometric

- PMF:  $p_X(k) = (1-p)^{k-1}p$ , for k = 1, 2, ...
- Expected value:  $\frac{1}{p}$
- Variance:  $\frac{1-p}{p^2}$ .

Here, each trial has a p probability of success, and we want to find the # of trials until one success.

### 5.1.4 Poisson

- PMF:  $p_X(k) = \frac{\lambda^k(e^{-\lambda})}{k!}$ .
- Expected value:  $\lambda$
- Variance:  $\lambda$

Used to simulate arrivals, I guess. More useful later, with Poisson processes.

### 5.2 Continuous

#### 5.2.1 Uniform

### 5.2.2 Exponential

## 5.2.3 Gaussian

### 5.2.4 Joint Gaussian

The main tips for Joint Gaussian are to approach it as a sort of vectorized Gaussians over a certain number N of dimensions. Most of the addition / whatever operations in a Gaussian can be remodeled as a Joint Gaussian.

# 6 Moment Generating Functions

#### Definition 5

The **moment generating function** (also known as a transform) associated with a RV X, is a function  $M_X(s)$  of a scalar parameter s defined by  $M_X(s) = E(e^{sX})$ .

the simpler notation M(S) can be used whenever the underlying random variable X is clear from context. In more detail, when X is a discrete random variable, the corresponding MGF is given by

$$M(s) = \sum_{x} e^{sx} p_X(x).$$

Analogously, when continuous, we just replace the summation with an integral to get

$$M(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{sx} f_X(x) dx.$$

Just an example so that I know what the reference is here:

### Example 6 (Discrete Example)

Let

$$p_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} & x = 2\\ \frac{1}{6} & x = 3\\ \frac{1}{3} & x = 5. \end{cases}$$

Then the corresponding transform is

$$M(s) = E(e^{sx}) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6}e^{3s} + \frac{1}{3}e^{5s}.$$

### **Example 7** (Continuous Example)

Let X be an exponential RV with parameter  $\lambda$ :

$$f_X(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$$
  $x \ge 0$ .

Then,

$$M(s) = \lambda \int_0^\infty e^{sx} e^{-\lambda x} dx$$
$$= \lambda \int_0^\infty e^{(s-\lambda)x} dx$$
$$= \lambda \left( \frac{e^{(s-\lambda)x}}{s-\lambda} \Big|_0^\infty \right)$$
$$= \frac{\lambda}{\lambda - s}.$$

Notice, in above examples, that MGF is a **function** of parameter s, and not a number. We can also find MGF's for functions of X:

### Proposition 8 (MGF of Linear Function of RV)

Let Y = aX + b. Then,

$$M_Y(s) = E(e^{s(aX+b)}) = e^{sb}E(e^{saX}) = e^{sb}M_X(sa).$$

From our previous example, we see that  $M_X(s) = \frac{1}{1-s}$  where X is the exponential distribution

### 6.1 Moments

Now that we've established what a moment generating function is, now it's time to understand what is being generated.

Let's do a generic MGF

$$M(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{sx} f_X(x) dx.$$

Now, we take the derivative of this.

$$\frac{d}{ds}M(s) = \frac{d}{ds} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{sx} f_X(x) dx$$
$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d}{ds} e^{sx} f_X(x) dx$$
$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x e^{sx} f_X(x) dx.$$

When s=0, we have that this evaluates to  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx = E(X)$ . If we differentiate n times, then we will get

$$\left. \left( \frac{d^n}{ds^n} M(s) \right|_{s=0} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^n f_X(x) dx = E(X^n).$$

### 6.2 Inversion

**Proposition 9** (Inversion Property)

The MGF  $M_X(s)$  associated with an RV X uniquely determines the CDF of X, assuming that  $M_X(s)$  is finite for all s in some interval [-a, a] for positive a.

## 6.3 Sum of Independent Random Variables

### **Proposition 10**

Addition of independent random variables corresponds to multiplication of transforms.

Proof. Let Z = X + Y.  $M_Z(s) = E(e^{sZ}) = E(e^{s(X+Y)}) = E(e^{sX}e^{sY})$ . Since X, Y are independent,  $e^{sX}$  and  $e^{sY}$  are independent random variables for any fixed s. Thus,  $E(e^{sX}e^{sY}) = E(e^{sX})E(e^{sY}) = M_X(s)M_Y(s)$ .

We can further extend this; if  $X_1, \ldots, X_n$  is a collection of independent random variables and  $Z = X_1 + \cdots + x_n$ , then  $M_Z(s) = M_{X_1}(s) \cdots M_{X_n}(s)$ .

# 7 Concentration Inequalities

Theorem 11 (Markov's Inequality)

$$P(X > a) = \frac{E(X)}{a}.$$

**Theorem 12** (Chebyshev's Inequality)

$$P(|X - E(X)| > a) = \frac{\operatorname{Var}(X)}{a^2}.$$

Used in lieu of confidence interval tests.

# 8 Modes of Convergence

### 8.1 Pointwise

**Definition 13** (Pointwise Convergence)

Fix  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,  $\{X_n(\omega)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges **pointwise** if it becomes a real-valued sequence.

Usually, people don't use this because of reasons highlighted in 104.

### 8.2 Almost Sure

**Definition 14** (Almost Sure Convergence)

 $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges almost surely to X if  $P(\{\omega : \omega \in \Omega, \lim_{n \to \infty} X_n(\omega) = X(\omega)\}) = 1$ .

This gets rid of  $\omega$  with probability 0. If you find an  $\omega$  such that convergence doesn't hold, it's fine as long sa  $P(\omega) = 0$ .

### 8.2.1 Checking for Almost Sure Convergence

There are a couple ways to check if some sequence converges almost surely.

## 8.3 In Probability

This is a weaker bound for convergence than almost sure convergence.

#### 8.4 In distribution

**Definition 15** (In Distribution Convergence)

 $\{X_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges in distribution (i.d.) to X if for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , P(X=x)=0.

In other words,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} P(X_n \le x) = 0.$$

Denote this as  $X_n \to^d x$ .

There are a couple of notable properties of in distribution convergence:

### Theorem 16

In probability convergence implies in distribution convergence.

*Proof.* Suppose  $X_n \to^P x$ .

# 8.5 Applications

### 8.5.1 Law of Large Numbers

Theorem 17 (Weak Law of Large Numbers)

Let  $\{X_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be independent and identically distributed (i.i.d) with finite mean  $|E[X_1]| < \infty$ . Then,

$$\overline{X_n} = \frac{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n}{n} \to^P E[X_1].$$

Proof. Recall Chebyshev's Inequality, which gives us

$$P(|\bar{X}_n - E[\bar{X}_n]| \ge \epsilon) \le \frac{E[(\bar{X}_n - E[\bar{X}_n]^2)]}{\epsilon^2}.$$

Now, we calculate the variance:

$$\operatorname{Var}(\bar{X}_n) = \operatorname{Var}\left(\frac{1}{n}(X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n)\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n^2}\operatorname{Var}(X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n^2}(\operatorname{Var}(X_1) + \operatorname{Var}(X_2) + \operatorname{Var}(X_3) + \dots + \operatorname{Var}(X_n))$$

$$= \frac{\operatorname{Var}(X_1)}{n},$$

because  $X_i$  are i.i.d.

Applying Chebyshev gives us

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} P(|\bar{X}_n - E[X_1]| \ge \epsilon) \le \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\operatorname{Var}(X_1)}{n\epsilon^2} = 0.$$

Thus,  $\bar{X}_n$  converges in probability to  $E[X_1]$ .

The strong law of large numbers has the same claim, except instead of in probability convergence it's almost sure convergence.

### 8.5.2 Central Limit Theorem

Once again let  $\bar{X_n} = \frac{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n}{n}$ ,  $S_n = X(1) + X_2 + \dots + X_n$ . Then, we know

$$Var(S_n) = nVar(X_1) \to \infty.$$

We let  $Z_n = \frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sigma\sqrt{n}}$ .

### **Theorem 18** (Central Limit Theorem)

We have  $\{X_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is i.i.d, with mean  $\mu$  and variance  $\sigma^2$ .

Then,  $Z_n \to^d \mathcal{N}(0,1)$ .

#### **Theorem 19** (Poisson Limit Theorem)

Let  $X_n = B(n \cdot \phi_n)$ . Assume  $\lim_{n \to \infty} n \cdot \phi_n = \lambda > 0$ . Then,

$$X_n \to^d \text{pois}(\lambda)$$
.

Now we see why normal and poisson distribs are so useful.

# 9 Information Theory

# 9.1 Entropy

First, we define  $\mathcal{X}$  as the range of a random variable X over all events in a probability space.

### **Definition 20** (Entropy)

Given a discrete random variable X and PMF  $P_X(x)$ , we have **entropy** 

$$H(X) = \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} P_X(x) \log \frac{1}{P_X(x)}.$$

Furthermore, the average amount of surprise is defined as  $E\left[\log \frac{1}{P_X(x)}\right]$ .

Moreover, some properties of entropy:

- 1.  $H(X) \ge 0$
- 2. H(X) is
- 3.  $H(X) \leq \log |x|$ , achieved when X is uniform on x.

Where x is the range of  $X(\omega)$  for all  $\omega \in \Omega$ .

### **Definition 21** (Joint Entropy)

Joint entropy  $(X,Y) \sim P_{X,Y}$ :

$$H(X,Y) = \sum_{(x,y)\in\mathcal{X}\times\mathcal{Y}} P_{X,Y}(x,y) \log \frac{1}{P_{X,Y}(x,y)}.$$

### **Definition 22** (Conditional Entropy)

$$H(Y|X) = \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} H(Y|X = x).$$

Next, we observe some properties of joint and conditional entropy.

**Proposition 23** 1. (Chain Rule)

$$H(X,Y)H(X) + H(Y|X) = H(Y) + H(X|Y).$$

2. (Conditioning Reduces Entropy)

$$H(Y|X) \leq H(Y)$$
.

3.

$$H(X,Y) \le H(X) + H(Y).$$

### 9.2 Mutual Information

Created by a Bob Fano, who argued more important than entropy.

### **Definition 24** (Mutual Information)

We define I(X,Y) as the **mutual information** between X and Y, such that

$$I(X : Y) = H(X) - H(X|Y) \ge 0$$
  
=  $H(X) + H(Y) - H(X,Y)$   
=  $H(Y) - H(Y|X)$ .

We can think of I(X,X) = H(X) as well.

### **Definition 25** (Kullback-Leibler Divergence)

We can also call this **relative entropy**.

$$D(P \parallel Q) = \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} P(X) \log \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)} \ge 0.$$

We can see that the mutual information can further be reduced to

$$I(X:Y) = \sum_{(x,y)\in\mathcal{X}\times\mathcal{Y}} P_{X,Y}(x,y) \log \frac{P_{X,Y}(x,y)}{P_X(x)P_Y(y)}$$
$$= D(P_{X,Y} \parallel P_X \otimes P_Y),$$

where we define  $P_X \otimes P_Y$  as the cross product.

# 9.3 Source Coding

Let  $X_1, X_2, ..., X_n$  be a string of symbols or binary code or etc. in a file. We want to convert this into some compressed  $b(X_1, X_2, ..., X_n)$ .

#### Theorem 26

We assume  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n$  are i.i.d as X.

1. There exists a source code such that

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} E\left[\frac{1}{n}|b(x_1,\cdots,x_n)|\right] \le H(X) + \epsilon$$

for any  $\epsilon > 0$ .

2. Conversely, no source code can achieve an average length less than H(X) bits per symbol.

## 10 Markov Chains

### **Definition 27** (Markov Chain)

 $\{X_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  is a discrete-time Markov Chain (DTMC) on state space  $\mathcal{X}$  if it satisfies the Markov property: For all positive integers n and feasible sequence of states  $x_0, x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_{n+1} \in \mathcal{X}$ ;

$$\Pr(X_{n+1} = x_{n+1} | X_n = x_n, X_{n-1} = x_{n-1}, \dots, X_0 = x_0) = P(X_{n+1} = x_{n+1}, X_n = x_n).$$

We further denote P as the transition probability matrix, which is done by taking the row statistic of  $\mathcal{X}$ .

### 10.1 Distributions

Denote distribution of  $X_n$  as  $\Pi_n$ . Then,  $\Pi_n = \Pi_0 P^n$ . We have a **stationarity distribution**  $\Pi = \Pi \cdot P$ , and this is also called the balance equation.

### 10.2 Recurrence and Transience

For  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ , we define  $T_x = \min\{n \in \mathbb{N}, X_n = n\}$  as the hitting time of x, and  $T_x^+ = \min\{n \in \mathbb{Z}_+ X_n = n\}$ .

 $T_x$  determines the first time that a Markov chain reaches a certain state, and  $T_x^+$  calculates the same thing except ignoring trivial (initial) cases.

Now, some notation. Let  $\Pr_x(A) = \Pr(A|X_0 = x)$  and  $E_x[Z] = E[Z|X_0 = x]$ . This is probability and expectation given an initial state in the Markov chain. Furthermore, let  $\rho_{x,y} = \Pr_x(T_y^+ < \infty)$ ,  $\rho_x = \rho_{x,x}$ .

#### **Definition 28**

State x is **recurrent** if  $\rho_x = 1$ , **transient** otherwise.

A recurrent state essentially means that a state in a Markov chain will certainly be reached again.

## **Proposition 29**

Denote  $N_x = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mathbb{I}(X_n = x)$ . Then,

- 1. If x is recurrent, then  $N_x = \infty$  almost surely.
- 2. If x is transient then  $E_x[N_x] = \frac{\rho(x)}{1-\rho(x)}$ .

#### 10.3 Classification of States

**Definition 30** (Communicating Class)

We say x communicates with y if  $\rho_{x,y} > 0$  and  $p_{y,x} > 0$ .

A communicating class is a maximal set of states which communicate with each other.

#### **Definition 31**

Markov Chain is **irreducible** if it consists of only a single communicating class.

The class property is a property that's necessarily shared by all members of class. Anyways, now time to start applying the many definitions we've just made:

#### Theorem 32

Recurence and transience are class properties.

Are we not going over the proof for this?

### **Proposition 33**

Every finite state irreducible chain is recurrent.

*Proof.* Basically prove that one of the states must be recurrent using the fact that there are finite states, and then use the above theorem to see that this is a class property.  $\Box$ 

## 10.4 Big Theorem

### Theorem 34

Suppose a markov chain is irreducible with a stationary distribution  $\Pi$ . Then,

$$\Pi(x) = \frac{1}{\mathbb{E}_X[T_X^+]}$$

To prove this, we introduce another claim.

#### **Theorem 35**

Suppose a Markov chain is irreducible, aperiodic, and has stationary distribution  $\Pi$ . Then, as  $n \to \infty$ ,  $P_n(x,y) \to \Pi(y)$  for all x, y.

The aperiodic assumption is correct, because if the result is periodic, then it is clear to see that this convergence is not true.

Moreover,  $P_n(x, y) = \Pr(X_n = y \mid x_0 = x)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{X}^2 = \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X}$ , and we define a new transition probability  $\bar{P}$  on  $\mathcal{X}^2$ . Then, we define  $\bar{P}((x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)) = P(x_1, x_2)P(y_1, y_2)$ . We claim that  $\bar{P}$  is irreducible.

Since P is irreducible, there exist K, L such that  $P_K(x_1, x_2) > 0$ ,  $P_L(y_1, y_2) > 0$ .

### Lemma 10.4.1

For irreducible aperiodic Markov Chain there exists  $m_0$  such that  $P_m(x,x) > 0$  for all  $m > m_0$ , where  $m_0$  depends on x.

Proof.

$$\Pr(X_n = y, T \le n) = \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_x \Pr(T = m, X_m = x, Y_n = y)$$

$$= \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_x \Pr(T = m, X_m = x) P(Y_n = y | X_m = x, T = m)$$

$$= \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_x \Pr(T = m, X_m = x) P(Y_n = y | Y_m = x)$$

$$= \Pr(Y_n = y, T \le n).$$

We can extend the Markov property here by applying it recursively to state that conditioned on some event  $X_m$  in Markov chain, a future event  $X_n$  is conditionally independent of **all** past events  $(X_0, \ldots, X_{m-1})$ .

Using the aperiodicity lemma, we know that for M large enough,  $P_{K+M}(x_1, x_2) > 0$ , and  $P_{L+M}(y_1, y_2) > 0$ . It then follows that  $\bar{P}_{K+L+M}((x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)) > 0$ .

I honestly am completely lost for the rest of the proof I'll figure it out later...

### 10.5 Reversibility

Asking the following question: Does the Markov Chain still work when played in reverse?

We let 
$$(Y_0, Y_1, \dots, Y_n) \equiv (X_n, X_{n-1}, \dots, X_0)$$
.

### Lemma 10.5.1

 $Y_n$  is still a Markov Chain with transition matrix  $\hat{P}$ , where

$$\hat{P}(x,y) = \frac{\Pi(y)P(y,x)}{\Pi(x)}.$$

## **Definition 36** (Reversibility)

We say that a Markov chain is **reversible** if  $\hat{P} = P$ .

The detailed balance equation states that  $\Pi(x)P(x,y) = \Pi(y)P(y,x)$ .

## 11 Poisson Process

This is based on exponential distributions having the memoryless property.

So if we have  $X \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$ , then  $f_X(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}, x \geq 0$ , then the CDF is  $P(x > t) = e^{-\lambda t}$ . We then have the following property:  $\Pr(X > t + s \mid X > t) = \Pr(X > s)$ .

### **Definition 37** (Poisson Process)

Fix  $\lambda > 0$ . Assume that inter-arrival times  $s_1, s_2, \ldots$  are i.i.d.  $\text{Exp}(\lambda)$ . For each  $x \geq 1$ , define

$$T_n = \sum_{j=1}^n S_j, T_0 = 0.$$

Moreover,

$$N(t) = \max(n > 0 : T_n \le t).$$

We call the continuous time stochastic process  $\{N(t)\}_{t>0}$  the **Poisson process**  $PP(\lambda)$ .

Next, we define the Big Theorem of Poisson processes with its primary key properties.

**Definition 38** (Increment of Poisson Process)

$$N(T_1, T_2) = N(2) - N(T_1), T_2 > T_1.$$

## Theorem 39 (Big Theorem)

- 1. **Stationary Increment.** N(t, t + s) has the same distribution as N(s).
- 2. Independent Increment. For  $0 < t_1 < t_2 < \ldots < t_k$  the set of random variables  $N(t_1), N(t_1, t_2), \ldots, N(t_{k-1}, t_k)$  are jointly independent.
- 3.  $N(t) \sim pois(\lambda t)$ .

We can generalize Poisson processes into multiple dimensions with the Poisson random field, so pois( $\int_A \lambda$ ) finds the Poisson process over arrivals in a region A.

**Definition 40** (Erlang Distribution)

$$f_{T_n}(t) = \frac{\lambda^n t^{n-1} e^{\lambda t}}{(n-1)!}$$

There are two ways to look at a Poisson process: the counts and the inter-arrivals.

#### Theorem 41

Let  $S_1, S_2, \ldots$  be some set of almost surely positive inter-arrival times and define  $T_n = \sum_{j=1}^n S_j$ ,  $N(t) = \max(n \ge 0 : T_n \le t)$ .

If  $\{N(t)\}_{t\geq 0}$  has stationary independent increments, and  $N(t) \sim \text{pois}(\lambda t)$ , then  $S_1, S_2, \ldots$  are i.i.d.  $\text{Exp}(\lambda)$  random variables.

### **Definition 42** (Splitting)

$$N \sim PP(\lambda)$$
, and  $B_1, B_2, \ldots \sim Bern(p)$ .

The splitting process essentially assigns to one of  $N_0$  or  $N_1$ .

$$N_0(t) = |\{i : B_i = 0, i \le N(t)\}|$$

$$N_1(t) = |\{i : B_i = 1, i < N(t)\}|$$

Then  $N_1 \sim \text{PP}(\lambda p)$ ,  $N_0 \sim \text{PP}(\lambda(1-p))$ , so without being given any knowledge of N, we have that  $N_0, N_1$  are independent.

Essentially what is happening is that when something arrives, we flip a (weighted) coin and flip a switch to determine which process it actually reaches.

### 11.1 Random Incidence Property

Let  $N \sim PP(\lambda)$ .

Then,

- 1. The expected interarrival time is  $\frac{1}{\lambda}$ .
- 2. Fix time t in the process, what is the expected length of the interarrival interval which t falls into?

Then, we want to find

$$\mathbb{E}[T_{i+1} - T_i] = \mathbb{E}[(t - T_i) + (T_{i+1} - t)]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}[(t - T_i)] + \mathbb{E}[T_{i+1} - t]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}[(t - T_i)] + \frac{1}{\lambda}.$$

Now, fix a value  $\tau$ . Then,  $\Pr(t - T_i > T) = \Pr(N(t - \tau, t) = 0) = \Pr(N(\tau) = 0) = \Pr(\text{pois}(\lambda \tau) = 0) = e^{-\lambda \tau}$ . As a result,  $\Pr(t - T_i > \tau) = \begin{cases} e^{-\lambda \tau} & 0 \le \tau \le t \\ 0 & \tau > t \end{cases}$ .

Taking the integrals, we see that

$$\mathbb{E}[t - T_i] = \int_0^\infty \Pr(t - T_i > \tau) d\tau = \int_0^t e^{-\lambda \tau} d\tau = \frac{1 - e^{-\lambda t}}{\lambda}.$$

As t goes to  $\lambda$ , then this converges to  $\frac{1}{\lambda}$ .

Thus, 
$$\mathbb{E}[T_{i+1} - T_i] = \boxed{\frac{2}{\lambda}}$$
.

## 12 Estimators

- 12.1 Hilbert Space
- 12.2 Gram-Schmidt
- 12.3 LLSE
- 12.4 MMSE

# 13 Kalman Filter

Start with discrete time linear system models.

### Example 43

We have a particle moving along a line at fixed velocity. Observed every  $\Delta$  time units.

So, we have 
$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{k+1} \\ y_{k+1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_k + y_k \Delta \\ y_k \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \Delta \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
.

Now we have  $x_{k+1} = Ax_k$ , for some matrix A and  $x_k \in \mathbb{R}^2$ .

Today we'll cover this example but with noise, i.e.  $x_{k+1} = Ax_k + V_k$ .

### Example 44

Particle moving under fixed acceleration, once again with discrete time and time step  $\Delta$ . Then,

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{k+1} \\ y_{k+1} \\ z_{k+1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_k + y_k \Delta \\ y_k + z_k \Delta \\ z_k \end{bmatrix}.$$

We can then get a similar matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \Delta & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \Delta \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

More generally, in continuous time we have a dynamical system  $\left[\frac{d}{dt}x\right] = Ax(t)$  for some matrix A starting at X(0). The solution is  $x(t) = e^{At}x(0)$ , using the taylor series  $e^{At}\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}\frac{(At)^n}{n!}$ .

In discrete time,  $x_{k+1} = Ax_k$  where  $A = e^{A_c \Delta}$ .

### 13.1 Noisy dynamics model

Let's return to our original value,  $x_{k+1} = Ax_k + V_k$ , where  $V_k$  is the noise. We now assume that the state cannot be measured. We have the model for observation:  $Y_k = CX_k + W_k$ , where C is a fixed scalar and  $W_k$  is the observation noise.

We're interested in computing  $L[X_n \mid Y_1, \dots, Y_{n-1}], n \geq 0$ . At n = 0, this means  $\mathbb{E}[X_0] = 0$ . We'll see that we need  $L[X_n \mid Y_1, \dots, Y_{n-1}]$  as an intermediary. This can be called a **1-step predictor**.

Recall: If (U, V) are jointly defined,  $U \in \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $V \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $L[U \mid V]$  denotes the LLSE estimate of U given V, and has the form KV for  $K \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , where  $\mathbb{E}[(U - KV)V^T] = 0$ , i.e.  $\Sigma_{UV} - K\Sigma_V = 0$ .

### Example 45

Suppose  $V = \begin{bmatrix} V_1 \\ V_2 \\ V_3 \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $V_3 = V_1 + V_2$ , for n = 3, m = 1. Say  $V = V_1 + V_2$ . Then,  $K = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  gives  $KV = V_1 + V_2$ . But  $K = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  also gives the same thing.

We have that  $L[U \mid V] = V_1 + V_2$ .

The most important property we'll use:

### **Lemma 13.1.1** (Orthogonal Updates)

$$L[X \mid Y, Z] = L[X \mid Y]L[X \mid Z - L[Z \mid Y]].$$

Essentially, we're finding an orthogonal basis of the span of Y and Z, and then add the individual projections.

It suffices to prove that

$$\mathbb{E}[(X - L[X \mid Y] - L[X \mid W])Y^{T}] = 0,$$
  
$$\mathbb{E}[(X - L[X \mid Y] - L[X \mid W])Z^{T}] = 0.$$

#### 13.1.1 Scalar Case

We see that  $x_n = ax_{n-1} + v_n$ , for  $n \ge 1$ . Then,  $y_n = x_n + w_n$ . All the  $w_n$  are i.i.d. with  $\mathbb{E}[w_n] = 0$ , and  $\mathbb{E}[w_n^2] = \sigma_w^2 < \infty$ . Notice we've ignored the constant C here, this is because if C is nonzero, it doesn't matter, and if C = 0, then the data is just noise and completely meaningless.

From the key lemma:  $L[X_n \mid y_1, ..., y_n] = L[x_n \mid y_1, ..., y_{n-1}] + L[x_n \mid \hat{y}_n].$ 

 $\hat{x}_{n|n} = \hat{x}_{n|n-1} + k_n y_n$ . We need to write  $\hat{x}_{n|n-1}$  in terms of  $x_{n-1|n-1}$ . We have

$$\hat{x}_{n|n} = L[x_n \mid y_1, \dots, y_{n-1}] = L[ax_{n-1} \mid y_1, \dots, y_{n-1}] = a\hat{x}_{n-1|n-1}.$$