

Summary: All Theorems, Lemma and Corollary of Poisson Process

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Section 2.1. Exponential Distribution:

Def:  $T = \text{exponential}(\lambda)$  if CDF is:  $P(T \leq t) = 1 - e^{-\lambda t}$  for all  $t \geq 0$

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

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

Property: ① Lack of memory:  $P(T > t+s | T > t) = P(T > s)$

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

Then  $\min(S, T) \sim \text{exponential}(\lambda + \mu)$

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

\*: Important integral:  $\int_0^\infty te^{-tx} dx = 1$ ,  $t$  is a constant

Theorem 2.1:  $V = \min(T_1, \dots, T_n)$  and  $I$  be the index of smallest one.

$T_i \sim \text{Exponential}(\lambda_i)$ , then:  $P(V > t) = \exp(-(\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_n)t)$

$$P(I=i) = \lambda_i / (\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_n)$$

Section 2.2: Defining the Poisson Process

Def of Poisson Distribution: If  $X \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$ , then:

$$P(X=n) = e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^n}{n!} \quad \text{for } n=0, 1, 2, \dots \quad \text{and } E(X) = \text{Var}(X) = \lambda$$

Theorem 2.2: For  $\forall k \geq 1$ ,  $E(X(X-1)\dots(X-k+1)) = \lambda^k$

2.3: If  $X_i \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda_i)$ , then  $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim \text{Poisson}(\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i)$ .

\* To prove 2.3, delve into  $n=2$ , then generalize

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

①  $N(0) = 0$  ②  $N(t+s) - N(t) \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda s)$

③  $N(t)$  has independent increments, i.e., if  $t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n$ , then:

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

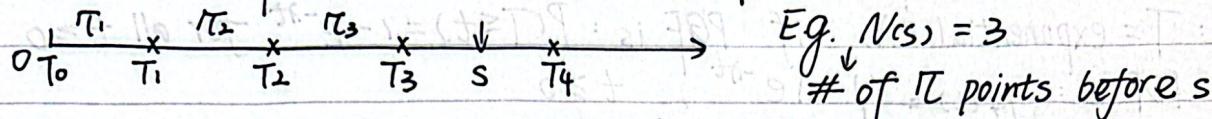
Theorem 2.4: If  $n$  is large, then  $\text{binomial}(n, \lambda/n) \xrightarrow{d} \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$

$$* P(X=k) = \binom{n}{k} \left(\frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^k \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^{n-k} = \frac{n(n-1)\dots(n-k+1)}{k!} \left(\frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^k \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^{n-k}$$

$$\therefore \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^n \rightarrow e^{-\lambda} \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

## Section 2.2.1: Constructing the Poisson Process

Def: Let  $\tau_1, \tau_2, \dots$  be i.i.d. exponential( $\lambda$ ) r.v.s.  $T_n = \tau_1 + \dots + \tau_n$ .  
 $T_0 = 0$ , and define  $N(s) = \max\{n : T_n \leq s\}$ .



Theorem 2.5: Let  $\tau_1, \tau_2, \dots$  be independent exponential( $\lambda$ ). Then:

$$T_n = \tau_1 + \dots + \tau_n \sim \text{gamma}(n, \lambda), \text{ with PDF as: } f_{T_n}(t) = \lambda e^{-\lambda t} \frac{(\lambda t)^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} \quad \text{for } t \geq 0$$

$F_{T_n}(t) = 1 - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{(\lambda t)^k e^{-\lambda t}}{k!} \quad (N(s) \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda s))$

Lemma 2.6:  $N(s)$  has a Poisson Distribution with mean  $\lambda s$ .

2.7:  $N(t+s) - N(s)$ ,  $t \geq 0$  is a rate  $\lambda$  PP and [independent of  $N(r)$ ,  $r \in [0, s]$ ]<sup>\*</sup> Markov Property

## Section 2.3 Compound Poisson Process

Theorem 2.10: Let  $y_1, y_2, \dots$  be independent and identically distributed.

Let  $N$  be an independent non-negative r.v.  $S = y_1 + \dots + y_N$  with  $S \geq 0$  if  $N=0$ . Then:

① If  $E|y_i| < \infty$ , then  $E(S) = E(N) \cdot E(y_i)$

② If  $E|y_i|^2 < \infty$ , then  $\text{var}(S) = E(N) \cdot \text{var}(y_i) + \text{var}(N) \cdot [E(y_i)]^2$

Now, if  $N \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$ , then  $\text{var}(S) = \lambda E(y_i^2)$

## Section 2.4 Transformations

2.4.1: Let  $N_j(t)$  be the number of  $i$  s.t.  $i \leq N(t)$  and  $y_i = j$ . Then:

Theorem 2.11:  $N_j(t)$  are independent rate  $\lambda P(Y_i=j)$  PP

2.12: Suppose a PP with  $\lambda$ , we keep the point lands at  $s$  with  $p(s)$ .

Then result is a nonhomogeneous PP with rate  $\lambda p(s)$ .

\* Def:  $\{N(s), s \geq 0\}$  with rate  $\lambda(r)$  if ①  $N(0)=0$  ②  $N(t)$  has independent increment

③  $N(t) - N(s)$  is a poisson distribution with mean  $\int_s^t \lambda(r) dr$

and mean =  $\lambda t$  ('end by', sort of like CDF)

Example: Start of phone call has PP, and duration:  $P_c$  start at  $s$  and end at  $t$  =  $G(t-s)$ . Then the number of call in progress at time  $t$ :

$$\text{Expectation} = \int_{s=0}^t \lambda \cdot (1 - G(t-s)) \cdot \lambda \int_{r=s}^t (1 - G(r)) dr$$

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Theorem 2.13. In the phone call with  $t \rightarrow \infty$ :

$$\lambda \int_{r=0}^{\infty} (1 - G(r)) dr = \lambda \mu^*$$

~~Def:~~  $X \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , then  $E(X) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} P(X \geq k)$ .

### 2.4.2 Superposition

Going in the other direction and adding up a lot of independent process is called superposition.

Theorem 2.14 : Suppose  $N_1(t), \dots, N_k(t)$  are independent PP with rates  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k$ , then  $N_1(t) + \dots + N_k(t)$  is a PP with rate  $\lambda_1 t + \dots + \lambda_k t$

### 2.4.3 Conditioning

Let  $T_1, T_2, T_3, \dots$  be the arrival times of a PP with rate  $\lambda$ , let  $V_1, V_2, \dots$  be independent and uniformly distributed on  $[0, t]$ , let  $V_1 < \dots < V_n$  be the  $V_i$  rearranged in increasing order.

Theorem 2.15 : If we condition on  $N(t) = n$ , then:

$(T_1, T_2, \dots)$  has the same distribution as  $(V_1, V_2, \dots)$

So set  $\{T_1, \dots, T_n\}$  has the same distribution as  $\{V_1, \dots, V_n\}$

Theorem 2.16 : If  $s < t$  and  $0 \leq m \leq n$ , then:  $\text{Poisson}(t-s)\lambda$ .

$$P(N(s)=m | N(t)=n) = \frac{P(N(s)=m) P(N(t)-N(s)=n-m)}{P(N(t)=n)}$$

$$= \frac{e^{-\lambda s} (\lambda s)^m / m!}{e^{-\lambda t} (\lambda t)^n / n!} \cdot e^{-\lambda(t-s)} [\lambda(t-s)]^{n-m} / (n-m)!$$

$$= \binom{n}{m} \left(\frac{s}{t}\right)^m \left(\frac{t-s}{t}\right)^{n-m}$$

## Pinsky and Karlin : (Supplements).

### 5.1 Poisson Distribution and Poisson Process

Theorem 5.2 : Let  $N$  be a poisson r.v. with  $\mu$ . and conditioned on  $N$ , let  $M$  have a binomial distribution with  $N \& p$ . Then the unconditional distribution of  $M$  is poisson with parameter  $\mu p$ .

\* : During proof :  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^n}{n!} \rightarrow e^t$  taylor expansion

### 5.2 The Law of Rare events

Claim:  $X \sim \text{Binomial}(N, p)$ , let  $X_{N,p}$  denote # of success in  $N$  trials.

$$\Pr\{X_{N,p} = k\} = \binom{N}{k} p^k (1-p)^{N-k}$$

If  $N \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $p \rightarrow 0$  in a way s.t.  $Np = \mu > 0$ , then  $X_{N,p} \approx \text{Poisson}(\mu)$

$$\Pr\{X_{\mu} = k\} = \frac{e^{-\mu} \mu^k}{k!}$$

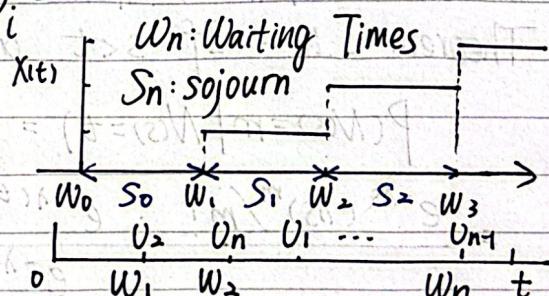
But if every trial  $E_i$  has different prob?  $\Pr\{E_i = 1\} = p_i$ , then:  $S_n = E_1 + \dots + E_n$

$$\Pr\{S_n = k\} = \sum_{\substack{(k) \\ \text{sum}}} \prod_{i=1}^n p_i^{x_i} (1-p_i)^{1-x_i}$$

where  $\sum^{(k)}$  denotes the sum over  $0 \leq i$  s.t.  $x_1 + \dots + x_n = k$

Then: Theorem 5.3: consider poisson process ( $\mu = p_1 + \dots + p_n$ ) for approximation.

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



### 5.3 Distributions Associated with PP

#### 5.4 The uniform distribution and PP

Consider throwing dart at  $[0, t]$

each marked  $U_i$ . So  $f_U(u) = \frac{1}{t}$  if  $u \in [0, t]$

Let  $W_1 \leq W_2 \leq \dots \leq W_n$  denote  $\{U_i\}$  in order. So obviously joint PDF of  $W_i$ :

$$f_{W_1, \dots, W_n}(w_1, \dots, w_n) = n! t^{-n}, \quad w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n \in [0, t] \\ w_1 \leq w_2 \leq \dots \leq w_n$$

Theorems: Let  $W_1, W_2 \dots$  be the occurrence times in PP of rate  $\lambda$ .

Conditioned on  $N(t) = n$ , then:

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

Has important applications in evaluating certain symmetric functionals on PP.

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