

MAST30001 Stochastic Modelling

Tutorial Sheet 7

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$$T^{(N)}(i) = \min\{t \geq 0 : X_t^{(N)} \neq i\}$$

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1. two interpretation of CTMC

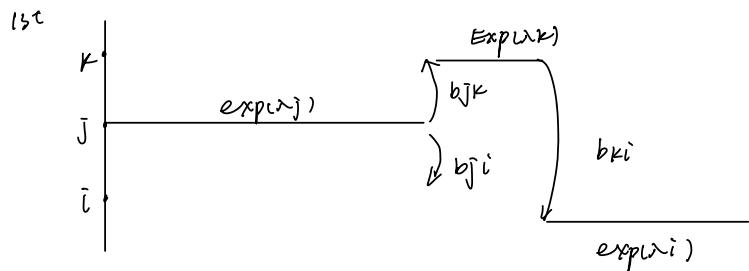
a. Generator

b. Forward equation $(P^{(t)})' = P^{(t)} \cdot A$

c. Stationary distribution $\pi A = 0$

$\pi P^{(t)} = \pi \rightarrow$ derivative both sides

1. interpretation



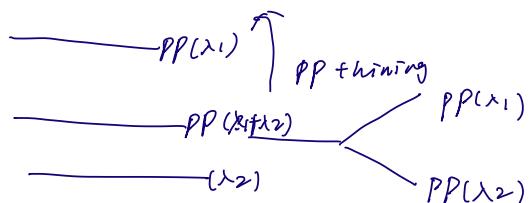
2nd

$$\begin{array}{c} r \\ | \\ k \\ | \\ j \\ | \\ i \end{array}$$

$$x_k \sim \exp(\lambda_j b_{jk})$$

$$x_i \sim \exp(\lambda_j b_{ji})$$

$$PD(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2) \cdot \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2}.$$



① why waiting time $x_j \sim \exp(\lambda_j)$

$$x_k \sim \exp(\lambda_j b_{jk}) \quad \text{independent} \quad x_i \sim \exp(\lambda_j b_{ji})$$

$$x_j \sim \min(x_k, x_i) \sim \exp(\lambda_j b_{jk} + \lambda_j b_{ji}) = \exp(\lambda_j)$$

rigorous superposition of poisson process
order stats

② why jumping prob for j to k is b_{jk}

$$= P(x_k < x_i) = \dots \frac{\lambda_j b_{jk}}{\lambda_j b_{jk} + \lambda_j b_{ji}} = \frac{\lambda_j b_{jk}}{\lambda_j} = b_{jk}$$

which

(think of two clock, ring first \rightarrow jump)

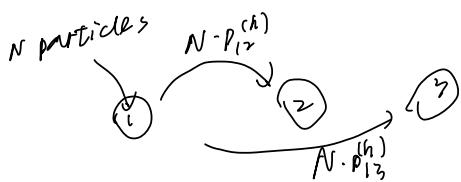
2. Generator

$$A = \frac{P^{(h)} - I}{h} \quad (h \rightarrow 0)$$

$$a_{11} = \frac{P_{11}^{(h)} - 1}{h} \quad (h \rightarrow 0)$$

$$a_{12} = \frac{P_{12}^{(h)} - 0}{h} \quad (h \rightarrow 0)$$

$P_{12}^{(h)}$: proportion of particle in state 1 moving to state 2 after time h



a_{11} : speed of leaving particles \Rightarrow given a short time h ,
the proportion lost: $\underline{h \cdot a_{11}}$.

$$\Rightarrow h \cdot a_{11} N = N \cdot P_{11}^{(h)} - N$$

\uparrow
particle lost
from state 1

\uparrow
- # of N in state 1.

a_{12} : speed of particle from state 1 entering state 2

$$N \cdot h \cdot a_{12} = N \cdot P_{12}^{(h)} - 0$$

\uparrow
particle
from 1 to 2

\uparrow
- # of N in state 2

after time h

$$a_{12} = \frac{P_{12}^{(h)}}{h}$$

... in speed ... entering

o

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$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \lambda_0 & \lambda_1 & \dots \\ -\lambda_0 & 1 & \lambda_2 & \dots \\ \mu_0 - (\lambda_1 + \mu_1) & \lambda_1 & 1 & \dots \\ \vdots & \text{moving speed} & \vdots & \dots \\ \mu_1 - (\lambda_2 + \mu_2) & \lambda_2 & \vdots & \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

$\overset{\text{rate } \lambda_1}{0 \rightarrow 1}$

speed

$$\dot{P}_{01}(t) = P_{00}(t) \lambda_0 + P_{02}(t) \mu_2 - P_{01}(t) (\lambda_1 + \mu_1)$$



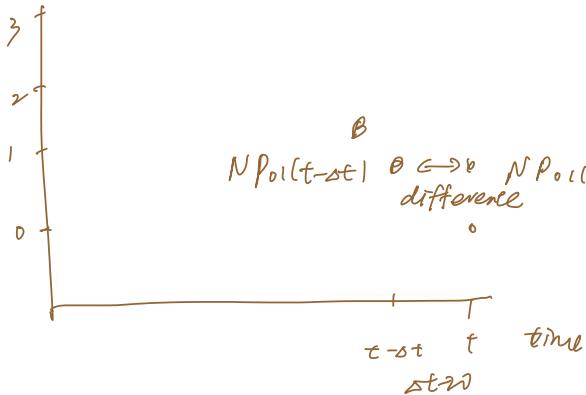
$$\frac{P_{01}(t) - P_{01}(t-\Delta t)}{\Delta t}$$

$$N P_{01}(t) - N P_{01}(t-\Delta t) = N P_{01}(t) (\lambda_0 \cdot \Delta t)$$

$$+ P_{02}(t) (\mu_2 \cdot \Delta t) N$$

$$- P_{01}(t) (\lambda_1 + \mu_1 \Delta t) N$$

state



N particle in state 0 on time t

will go to somewhere
at time



$A - B = +(\text{particle in state 1 at time } t$
 $\text{but not at time } t-\Delta t)$

$- (\text{particles in state 1 at time } t-\Delta t$
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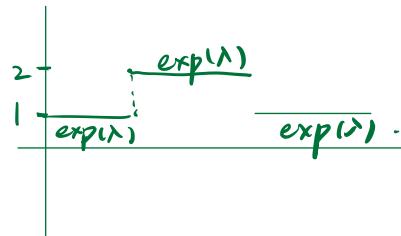
$$= + \left(\underbrace{N \cdot P_{02}(t-\Delta t)}_{\text{part 1 stat}} (\mu_2 \cdot \Delta t) + \underbrace{N P_{01}(t-\Delta t)}_{\text{part 2 stat}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{(N \text{ Pois}(t-\Delta t) \cdot \Delta t (\lambda + \mu))}{B}$$

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(a) solve the equation

$$\frac{d}{dt} P^{(t)} = P^{(t)} A$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{11}^{(t+1)} &= \sum_j P_{ij}^{(t)} a_{ji} \\ &= P_{11}^{(t)} a_{11} + P_{12}^{(t)} a_{21} \\ &= -\lambda P_{11}^{(t)} + \mu P_{12}^{(t)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{since } P_{11}^{(t)} + P_{12}^{(t)} = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so } P_{11}^{(t+1)} &= -\lambda P_{11}^{(t)} + \mu(1 - P_{11}^{(t)}) \\ &= \mu - (\mu + \lambda) P_{11}^{(t)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} P_{11}^{(t)} = \mu - (\mu + \lambda) P_{11}^{(t)}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} P_{11}^{(t)} + (\mu + \lambda) P_{11}^{(t)} = \mu$$

$$I(x) = \exp \left(\int \mu + \lambda dt \right) = \exp[(\mu + \lambda)t] = e^{(\mu + \lambda)t}$$

$$\begin{aligned} e^{(\mu + \lambda)t} \frac{d}{dt} P_{11}^{(t)} + (\mu + \lambda) e^{(\mu + \lambda)t} P_{11}^{(t)} &= \mu \cdot e^{(\mu + \lambda)t} \\ \frac{d}{dt} [P_{11}^{(t)} \cdot e^{(\mu + \lambda)t}] &= \mu \cdot e^{(\mu + \lambda)t} \\ P_{11}^{(t)} \cdot e^{(\mu + \lambda)t} &= \int \mu \cdot e^{(\mu + \lambda)t} dt \\ P_{11}^{(t)} \cdot e^{(\mu + \lambda)t} &= \frac{\mu}{\mu + \lambda} e^{(\mu + \lambda)t} + C. \end{aligned}$$

$$P_{11}^{(t)} = \frac{\mu}{\mu + \lambda} + \frac{C}{e^{(\mu + \lambda)t}}$$

$$\text{since } P_{11}^{(0)} = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{\mu}{\mu + \lambda} + C = 1$$

$$(b). \lambda = \mu.$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & \lambda \\ \lambda & -\lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

the number of times the chain switches states in $(0, t)$ has a Poisson distribution with mean (λt)

if the chain starts at state 1, then the chain being at state 1 at time t

\Rightarrow is same as being even number jump.

$$\begin{aligned} P_{11}(1) &= \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \lambda} + \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \lambda} e^{-2\lambda} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} e^{-2\lambda}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{so by symmetry } P_{22}^{(t)} = \frac{\lambda}{\mu+\lambda} + \frac{\mu}{\mu+\lambda} e^{-\lambda t + \mu t}$$

$$P_{21}^{(t)} = \frac{\lambda}{\mu+\lambda} - \frac{\mu}{\mu+\lambda} e^{-\lambda t + \mu t}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (1 + e^{-2t})$$

or

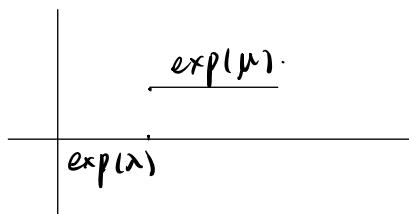
$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{2k}}{(2k)!}$$

$$+ \begin{cases} e^x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!} \\ e^{-x} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-x)^k}{k!} \end{cases} \quad \checkmark$$

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$$Y_t = \sum_{i=1}^k X_t^{(i)} \quad X_t^{(i)} \text{ is iid continuous time Markov chains.}$$

Y_t has state space $\{0, 1, \dots, k\}$.

$Y_t = i$ means exactly i of $X_t^{(j)}$ are 1

$k-i$ of $X_t^{(j)}$ are 0.

\Rightarrow so from this point Y_t increases by one

at rate $(k-i)\lambda$. (the minimum of the $k-i$ exponential clocks where $X_t^{(j)} = 0$).

decrease by at rate $i\mu$ (the minimum of i exponential

clocks where $X_t^{(j)} = 1$).

for $i = 1 \dots k-1$

$$a_{i,i+1} = (k-i)\lambda.$$

$$a_{i,i-1} = i\mu.$$

$$a_{ii} = -[i\mu + (k-i)\lambda] = -[i(\mu - \lambda) + k\lambda]$$

$$i=0 \quad a_{00} = -k\lambda.$$

$$a_{01} = k\lambda.$$

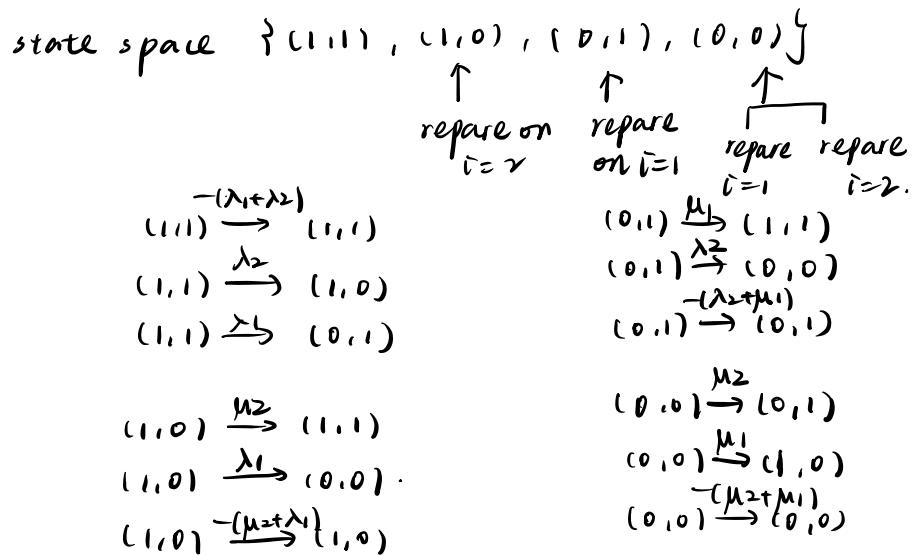
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$$a_{k,k-1}, k\mu.$$

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$$\begin{array}{c} \begin{matrix} & (1,1) & (1,0) & (0,1) & (0,0,1) & (0,0,-1) \\ (1,1) & -(\lambda_1+\lambda_2), & \lambda_2 & \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ (1,0) & \mu_2 & -(\mu_2+\lambda_1) & 0 & 0 & \lambda_1 \\ (0,1) & \mu_1 & 0 & -(\lambda_2+\mu_1) & \lambda_2 & 0 \\ (0,0,1) & 0 & \mu_1 & 0 & -\mu_1 & 0 \\ (0,0,-1) & 0 & 0 & \mu_2 & 0 & -\mu_2 \end{matrix} \end{array}$$

$$(b) \quad \pi A = 0.$$

$$\pi = [\pi_1 \ \pi_2 \ \pi_3 \ \pi_4 \ \pi_5]$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} -3\pi_1 + 2\pi_2 + \pi_3 = 0 \Rightarrow \pi_1 = \frac{2}{3}\pi_2 + \frac{1}{3}\pi_3 = \frac{2}{3}\pi_2 + \frac{1}{6}\pi_4. \\ 2\pi_1 - 3\pi_2 + \pi_4 = 0 \Rightarrow \pi_1 = \frac{3}{2}\pi_2 - \frac{1}{2}\pi_4 \\ \pi_1 - 3\pi_3 + 2\pi_5 = 0 \\ 2\pi_3 - \pi_4 = 0 \\ \pi_2 - 2\pi_5 = 0. \end{array} \right.$$

$$\frac{2}{3}\pi_2 + \frac{1}{6}\pi_4 = \frac{3}{2}\pi_2 - \frac{1}{2}\pi_4.$$

$$\frac{5}{6}\pi_2 = \frac{2}{3}\pi_4$$

$$\pi_2 = \underbrace{\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{6}{5} \pi_4}_{\pi_4} = \frac{4}{5}\pi_4$$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_1 &= \frac{2}{3}\pi_2 + \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{5}{4}\pi_2 \\ &= \frac{2}{3}\pi_2 + \frac{5}{24}\pi_2 = \frac{29}{24}\pi_2. \end{aligned}$$

$$\pi_2 = \frac{8}{7}\pi_1$$

$$\pi_4 = \frac{5}{4} \times \frac{8}{7}\pi_1 = \frac{10}{7}\pi_1$$

$$\pi_5 = \frac{1}{2}\pi_2 = \frac{4}{7}\pi_1$$

$$\pi_3 = \frac{1}{2}\pi_4 = \frac{5}{7}\pi_1$$

$$\pi = \left(\frac{7}{34}, \frac{8}{34}, \frac{5}{34}, \frac{10}{34}, \frac{4}{34} \right).$$

$$\pi_1 + \frac{8}{7}\pi_1 + \frac{5}{7}\pi_1 + \frac{10}{7}\pi_1 + \frac{4}{7}\pi_1 = 1$$

$$\frac{34}{7}\pi_1 = 1 \Rightarrow \pi_1 = \frac{7}{34}$$

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Q1. If $\frac{k}{N} \leftarrow$

never be integer until $k=N$

Q2 $\gamma^{(N)}$ meaning

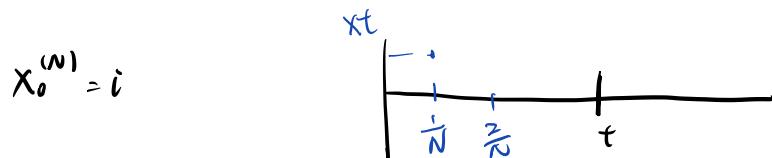
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only have jump at $\frac{k}{N}$ where k is integer
 so the chain is in state i , it stays there
 $\frac{\lambda_i}{N}$ number of $\frac{1}{N}$ time units
 and jump to one step transition matrix P .

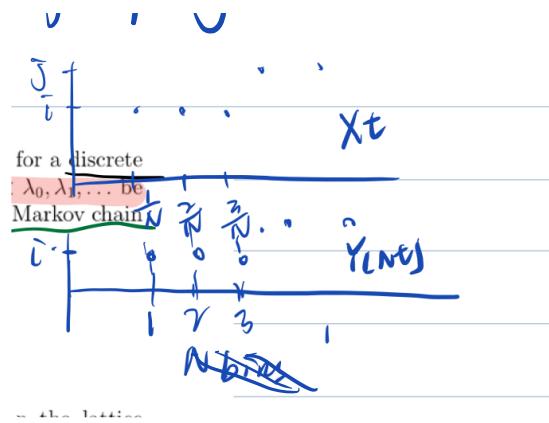
The number of these time unit are number of integer time unit between jumps in $Y^{(N)}$ chain

- (b) Given $X_0^{(N)} = i$, what is the distribution of the random time

$$T^{(N)}(i) = \min\{t \geq 0 : X_t^{(N)} \neq i\}$$



$Y^{(N)}$ chain stay at i for a geometric ($\frac{\lambda_i}{N}$) number of time units before jumping



first time jump from i to $\frac{3}{N}$.

$$p_{N,b} \xrightarrow{\Delta N}$$

$$T^{(N)}(i) = \inf \{ n \geq 1 : Y_n \neq i \}$$

\downarrow

$$\text{Geo}_i\left(\frac{\lambda_i}{N}\right)$$

\downarrow
success prob.

$$P\left(T^{(N)}(i) = \frac{k}{N}\right) = \left(1 - \frac{\lambda_i}{N}\right)^{k-1} \frac{\lambda_i}{N}$$

(c) As $N \rightarrow \infty$, to what distribution does that of $(T^{(N)}(i)|X_0^{(N)} = i)$ converge?

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$$T^{(N)}(i) \stackrel{d}{=} \frac{1}{N} \text{Geo}_i\left(\frac{\lambda_i}{N}\right)$$

$$p \text{Geo}_i(p) \xrightarrow{p \rightarrow 0} \text{Exp}(1).$$