

1.4.4 Properties of Poisson Process

→ Definition

→ A Poisson process can be broken down into two or more disjoint sub-processes, where these disjoint sub-processes are also Poisson processes.

→ If independent functions, their products is also defining.

→ Let $\lambda_1(t), \lambda_2(t), \dots, \lambda_n(t)$ be disjoint sub-processes w.r.t. λ .

→ $\lambda(t) = \lambda_1(t) + \lambda_2(t) + \dots + \lambda_n(t)$, respectively ($\lambda_1(t) \cap \lambda_2(t) = \emptyset, \dots, \lambda_i(t) \cap \lambda_j(t) = \emptyset$).

→ If $\lambda_1(t), \lambda_2(t), \dots, \lambda_n(t)$ are all PP w.r.t. function $\lambda_1(t), \lambda_2(t), \dots, \lambda_n(t)$, respectively.

→ If $\lambda_1(t), \lambda_2(t), \dots, \lambda_n(t)$ are homogeneous, the disjoint sub-processes $\lambda_1(t), \lambda_2(t), \dots, \lambda_n(t)$ are independent.

→ If $\lambda_1(t), \lambda_2(t), \dots, \lambda_n(t)$ are non-homogeneous, the disjoint sub-processes $\lambda_1(t), \lambda_2(t), \dots, \lambda_n(t)$ are independent.

→ Example → Total events according to a PP w.r.t. time $t=7.5$

→ Events are referred to each category

$$\lambda(t) = 0.5, \lambda(0.5) = 0.45, \lambda(1) = 0.48$$

$$\rightarrow \text{by } t=7.5 \rightarrow \lambda(7.5) = \int_0^{7.5} \lambda(t) dt = 6$$

$$\rightarrow \lambda_1(7.5) \sim \text{Exp}(2) \quad (\lambda = 0.5 \times 2 = 1.0)$$

$$\lambda_2(7.5) \sim \text{Exp}(2) \quad (\lambda = 0.45 \times 2 = 0.9)$$

$$\lambda_3(7.5) \sim \text{Exp}(2) \quad (\lambda = 0.48 \times 2 = 0.96)$$

$$\rightarrow \lambda(\lambda_1(7.5) + \lambda_2(7.5) + \lambda_3(7.5)) = \lambda(\lambda_1(7.5) + \lambda_2(7.5) + \lambda_3(7.5)) < 6.0$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$= \frac{e^{-18.12}}{3!} \left(\frac{e^{18.12}}{3!} \right)^3$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$= 0.0003$$

→ $\lambda(t)$ represents for series, in hours past 7am

Spending time $t=7.5$ hours at high speed from 7am to 7.5am

$\lambda(t)$ with 3 periods = disjoint sub-processes w.r.t. λ

$$\rightarrow \lambda(t) = 1 - F_{\lambda(t)}(t)$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$= 1 - \left[\frac{e^{-\lambda(t)}}{\text{Exp}(\lambda(t))} \right]^3$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$= 0.0003$$

→ If high λ periods between 7am to 7.5am is a position for 7am

$$\downarrow$$

$$= \frac{100}{10} = 10 \text{ hours} = 10 \text{ hours}$$

→ $\lambda(t)$ with 3 periods = disjoint sub-processes w.r.t. λ

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→ Superposition

→ To complete we defining a Poisson Process is superposition

The superposition when $\lambda(t)$ is the sum of $\lambda_1(t)$ or $\lambda_2(t)$ etc.

(recall $E(\lambda(t)) = \lambda(t)$)

$$\rightarrow \lambda_1(t), \lambda_2(t), \dots, \lambda_n(t)$$

$$\rightarrow \lambda_1(t) + \lambda_2(t) + \dots + \lambda_n(t) \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda_1(t) + \lambda_2(t) + \dots + \lambda_n(t))$$

→ Example → Total events after $\lambda(t=7.5)$

$$\rightarrow \text{again functions } \lambda_1(7.5), \lambda_2(7.5), \lambda_3(7.5), \lambda(7.5) = 0.0003$$

$$\rightarrow \text{from earlier } \lambda = \int_0^{7.5} \lambda(t) dt = 6 \Rightarrow \lambda = 6$$

$$\lambda_1 = 0.5, \lambda_2 = 0.45, \lambda_3 = 0.48$$

$$\rightarrow \lambda(\lambda_1(7.5) + \lambda_2(7.5) + \lambda_3(7.5)) = \frac{e^{-18.12}}{3!} \left(\frac{e^{18.12}}{3!} \right)^3$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$= 0.0003$$

→ Examples

→ Time until next bus comes $\sim \text{Exp}(\lambda = 0.25)$

→ $\lambda = 0.25$ hours are expected $\Rightarrow 0.25 \text{ hours}$

→ \rightarrow If $t=1$ hr, $\lambda = 0.25$ hours \rightarrow takes 20 min to get to office

→ \rightarrow If arrives 4 min after t

$$\rightarrow E(X) = \text{Exp}(\lambda t) = E(T_1 + T_2 + \dots + T_n) = n \cdot E(T_1) = n \cdot 0.25 = 0.25n$$

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