Chapter 3.2

Renewal Processes

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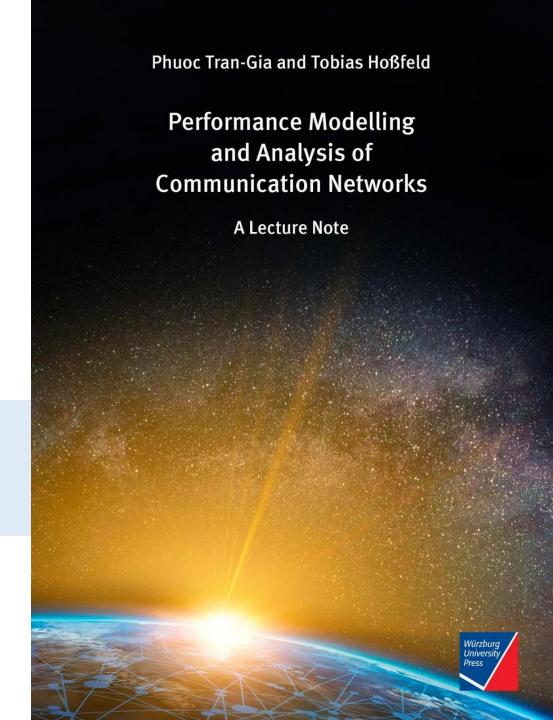
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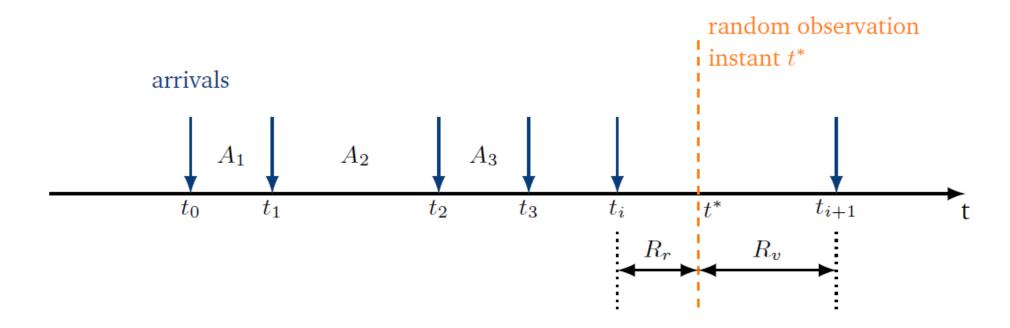
POINT PROCESS AND RENEWAL PROCESS





Point Process

- Finite or infinite sequence of random points in time or occurrences (arrival times of customers)
- ▶ Interarrival times A_i between customer arrivals t_{i-1} and t_i may follow different distributions A_i



Arrival process described by interarrival times or number of arrivals in intervals



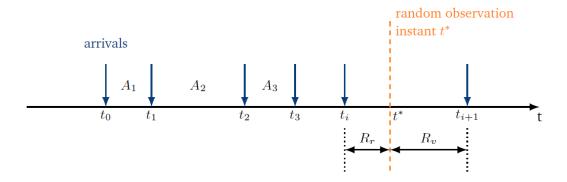
Renewal Process

- Renewal process is a special point process
- ► Renewal process: interarrival times are independently and identically distributed (iid)

$$A_i(t) = A(t)$$
 for all i

Modified renewal process: first interval deviates from other intervals

$$A_1(t)$$
 and $A_i(t) = A(t)$ for $i = 2,3,...$



Recurrence Time

- ▶ Interarrival time A of a renewal process with mean interarrival time E[A]
- ▶ Total number N(t) of arrival events in the interval [0; t] is counted for a renewal process
- \blacktriangleright Stochastic process $\{N(t), t\}$ is referred to as **counting process**
- **Strong law for renewal processes:** With probability 1, the following relation between the arrival rate $\frac{N(t)}{t}$ and the mean interarrival time is observed

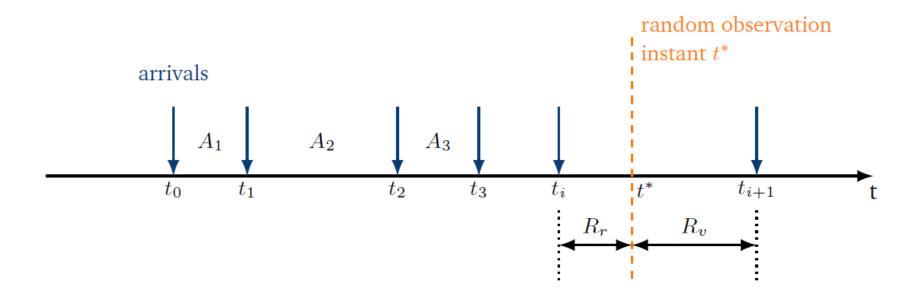
$$\lim_{t \to \infty} \frac{N(t)}{t} = \frac{1}{E[A]}$$

• We typically use $\lambda = \lim_{t \to \infty} \frac{N(t)}{t} = \frac{1}{E[A]}$



Recurrence Time

- \blacktriangleright Process is observed by an independent outside observer at time t^*
- $ightharpoonup R_v$ forward recurrence time; interval from the observation time to the next arrival;
- $ightharpoonup R_r$ backward recurrence time; interval from the last arrival to the observation time.



► Random observation time can be at any time: forward and backward recurrence time have same statistical properties \rightarrow recurrence time is analyzed for given iat A



ANALYSIS OF RECURRENCE TIME





Cumulative Distribution Function of Recurrence Time

▶ **Recurrence time** R with $\lambda = \frac{1}{E[A]}$ and interarrival time A

$$r(t) = \frac{1}{E[A]} (1 - A(t)) = \lambda (1 - A(t))$$

$$\Phi_{R}(s) = \frac{\lambda}{s} (1 - \Phi_{A}(s))$$

- Note
 - a(t) or A(t) known $\rightarrow r(t)$ can be derived
- - r(t) and E[A] known $\rightarrow a(t)$ can be derived



Note:

 $\int_0^\infty 1 - A(t) \ dt = E[A]$

Recurrence Time: Proof



Recurrence Time: Transform Domain



Moments of Recurrence Time

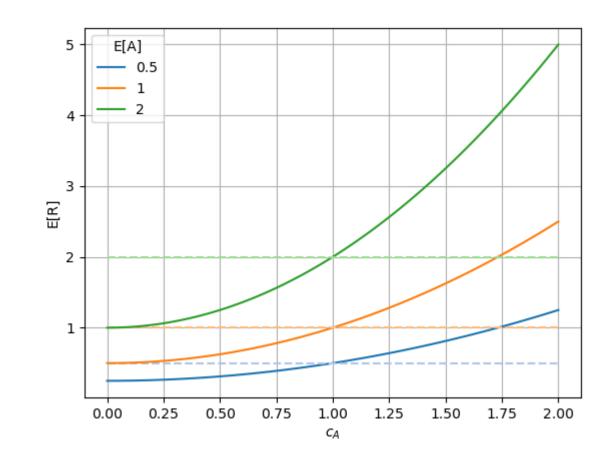
Ordinary moments of recurrence time

$$E[R^k] = \frac{E[A^{k+1}]}{(k+1) \cdot E[A]}.$$

▶ Mean recurrence time

$$E[R] = \frac{E[A^2]}{2E[A]} = \frac{c_A^2 + 1}{2} \cdot E[A]$$

$$c_A < 1$$
: $E[R] < E[A]$
 $c_A = 1$: $E[R] = E[A]$
 $c_A > 1$: $E[R] > E[A]$



- ▶ Counterintuitive: E[R] > E[A]
- Longer intervals are more frequently encountered by observer
- Larger intervals contribute more often to recurrence time





Moments of Recurrence Time: Proof

