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Let $A(t)$ and $Y(t)$ denote the age and excess at t of a renewal process. Fill in the missing terms:

- (a) $A(t) > x \iff$ 0 events in the interval ____?

$$A(t) > x \iff \text{0 events in the interval } [t-x, t] \text{ for } 0 < x < t.$$

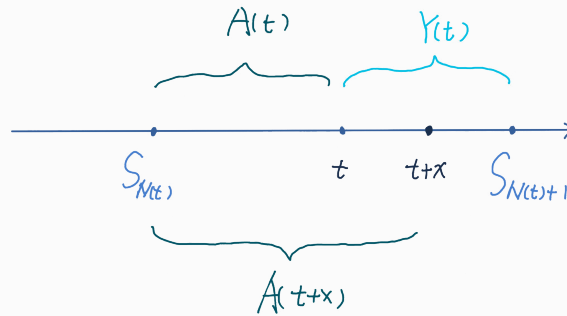
- (b) $Y(t) > x \iff$ 0 events in the interval ____?

$$Y(t) > x \iff \text{0 events in the interval } (t, t+x].$$

- (c) $\mathbb{P}\{Y(t) > x\} = \mathbb{P}\{A(\text{____}) > \text{____}\}.$

For $x, t > 0$,

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}\{Y(t) > x\} &= \mathbb{P}\{A(t+x) \geq x\} \\ &= \mathbb{P}\{A(t+x) > x\}\end{aligned}$$



- (d) Compute the joint distribution of $A(t)$ and $Y(t)$ for a Poisson process.

When $\{N(t) : t \geq 0\}$ is a Poisson process, $A(t)$ and $Y(t)$ are independent because of the memoryless property. And for $x \geq 0$,

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}\{Y(t) \leq x\} &= 1 - e^{-\lambda x} \\ \mathbb{P}\{A(t) \leq x\} &= 1 - \mathbb{P}\{A(t) > x\} \\ &= \begin{cases} 0 & , x < 0 \\ 1 - e^{-\lambda x} & , 0 \leq x \leq t \\ 1 & , x > t \end{cases}\end{aligned}$$

Solution (cont.)

\therefore

$$\begin{aligned} F_{A(t), Y(t)}(x, y) &= F_{A(t)}(x)F_{Y(t)}(y) \\ &= \begin{cases} 0 & x < 0 \text{ or } y < 0 \\ (1 - e^{-\lambda x})(1 - e^{-\lambda y}) & , 0 \leq x \leq t, y \geq 0 \\ 1 - e^{-\lambda y} & , x > t, y \geq 0 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

3.15

Let $A(t)$ and $Y(t)$ denote respectively the age and excess at t . Find:

(a) $\mathbb{P}\{Y(t) > x | A(t) = s\}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}\{Y(t) > x | A(t) = s\} &= \mathbb{P}\{S_{N(t)+1} - t > x | t - S_{N(t)} = s\} \\ &= \mathbb{P}\{S_{N(t)+1} > t + x | S_{N(t)} = t - s\} \\ &= \mathbb{P}\{X_{N(t)+1} > s + x | S_{N(t)} = t - s\} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}\{X_{N(t)+1} > s + x | S_{N(t)} = t - s, N(t) = n\} \mathbb{P}\{N(t) = n | S_{N(t)} = t - s\} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}\{X_{n+1} > s + x | S_n = t - s, X_{n+1} > s\} \mathbb{P}\{N(t) = n | S_{N(t)} = t - s\} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}\{X_{n+1} > s + x | X_{n+1} > s\} \mathbb{P}\{N(t) = n | S_{N(t)} = t - s\} \\ &= \mathbb{P}\{X_1 > s + x | X_1 > s\} \\ &= \frac{\bar{F}(s+x)}{\bar{F}(s)} \end{aligned}$$

(b) $\mathbb{P}\{Y(t) > x | A(t + \frac{x}{2}) = s\}$.

When $0 \leq \frac{x}{2} \leq s$, from 3.15 (a) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}\left\{Y(t) > x \middle| A\left(t + \frac{x}{2}\right) = s\right\} &= \mathbb{P}\left\{Y(t) > x \middle| A(t) = s - \frac{x}{2}\right\} \\ &= \frac{\bar{F}\left(s + \frac{x}{2}\right)}{\bar{F}(s)} \end{aligned}$$

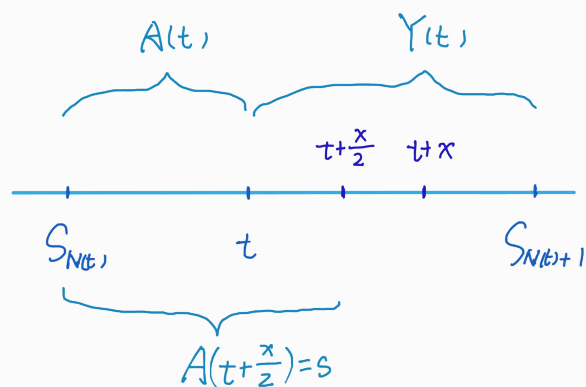
When $\frac{x}{2} > s$ or $x < 0$,

$$\mathbb{P}\left\{Y(t) > x \middle| A\left(t + \frac{x}{2}\right) = s\right\} = 0$$

since

$$\left\{A\left(t + \frac{x}{2}\right) = s\right\} \iff \{0 \leq Y(t) \leq s - \frac{x}{2}\} = \emptyset$$

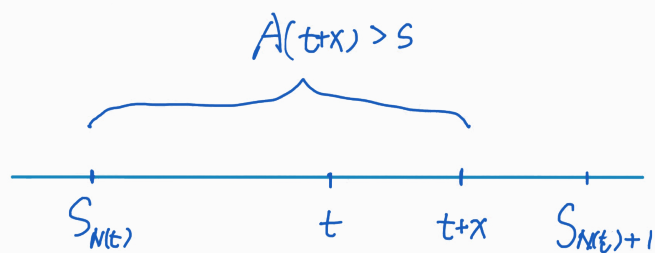
Solution (cont.)



(c) $\mathbb{P}\{Y(t) > x | A(t+x) > s\}$ for a Poisson process.

From independent increments of Poisson process, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}\{Y(t) > x | A(t+x) > s\} &= \mathbb{P}\{S_{N(t)+1} - t > x | S_{N(t)+1} - S_{N(t)} > s\} \\ &= \begin{cases} 1 & , s \geq x \text{ or } x < 0 \\ \mathbb{P}\{X_1 > x - s\} & , x > s \\ 1 - e^{-\lambda x} & , x \geq 0, s < 0 \end{cases} \\ &= \begin{cases} 1 & , s \geq x \geq 0 \text{ or } x < 0 \\ e^{-\lambda(x-s)} & , x > s \geq 0 \\ 1 - e^{-\lambda x} & , s < 0 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$



(d) $\mathbb{P}\{Y(t) > x, A(t) > y\}$.

For $x, y > 0$,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathbb{P}\{Y(t) > x, A(t) > y\} \\
&= \mathbb{P}\{S_{N(t)+1} > t + x, t - S_{N(t)} > y\} \\
&= \mathbb{P}\{X_{N(t)+1} > t - S_{N(t)} + x, t - S_{N(t)} > y\} \\
&= \mathbb{P}\{X_1 > t + x, t > y | S_{N(t)} = 0\} \mathbb{P}\{S_{N(t)} = 0\} \\
&\quad + \int_0^t \mathbb{P}\{X_{N(t)+1} > t - S_{N(t)} + x, t - S_{N(t)} > y | S_{N(t)} = s, X_{N(t)+1} > t - S_{N(t)}\} dF_{S_{N(t)}}(s) \\
&= \mathbb{1}_{\{t > y\}}(y) \mathbb{P}\{X_1 > t + x | X_1 > t\} \mathbb{P}\{X_1 > t\} \\
&\quad + \int_0^t \mathbb{1}_{\{t-s > y\}}(s) \mathbb{P}\{X_{N(t)+1} > t - s + x | X_{N(t)+1} > t - s\} dF_{S_{N(t)}}(s) \\
&= \mathbb{1}_{\{[0, t)\}}(y) \mathbb{P}\{X_1 > t + x | X_1 > t\} \mathbb{P}\{X_1 > t\} \\
&\quad + \int_0^t \mathbb{1}_{\{(-\infty, t-y)\}}(s) \mathbb{P}\{X_1 > t - s + x | X_1 > t - s\} dF_{S_{N(t)}}(s) \\
&= \mathbb{1}_{\{[0, t)\}}(y) \bar{F}(t + x) + \int_0^{t-y} \bar{F}(t + x - s) dm(s)
\end{aligned}$$

For $x \leq 0, y > 0$,

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{P}\{Y(t) > x, A(t) > y\} &= \mathbb{P}\{A(t) > y\} \\
&= \mathbb{P}\{t - S_{N(t)} > y\} \\
&= \mathbb{P}\{S_{N(t)} < t - y\} \\
&= \begin{cases} 0 & , y > t \\ \bar{F}(t) + \int_0^{t-y} \bar{F}(t - s) dm(s) & , y \leq t \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

For $x > 0, y \leq 0$,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathbb{P}\{Y(t) > x, A(t) > y\} \\
&= \mathbb{P}\{Y(t) > x\} \\
&= \mathbb{P}\{S_{N(t)+1} - t > x\} \\
&= \mathbb{P}\{S_{N(t)+1} > t + x\} \\
&= \mathbb{P}\{X_{N(t)+1} > t - S_{N(t)} + x\} \\
&= \mathbb{P}\{X_1 > t + x | S_{N(t)} = 0\} \mathbb{P}\{S_{N(t)} = 0\} \\
&\quad + \int_0^t \mathbb{P}\{X_{N(t)+1} > t - S_{N(t)} + x | S_{N(t)} = s, X_{N(t)+1} > t - S_{N(t)}\} dF_{S_{N(t)}}(s) \\
&= \mathbb{P}\{X_1 > t + x | X_1 > t\} \mathbb{P}\{X_1 > t\} \\
&\quad + \int_0^t \mathbb{P}\{X_1 > t - s + x | X_1 > t - s\} dF_{S_{N(t)}}(s) \\
&= \bar{F}(t + x) + \int_0^t \bar{F}(t + x - s) dm(s)
\end{aligned}$$

(e) If $\mu < \infty$, show that, with probability 1, $\frac{A(t)}{t} \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$.

\therefore

$$\frac{N(t)}{t} \xrightarrow{P} \frac{1}{\mu}$$

$$\frac{S_{N(t)}}{N(t)} \xrightarrow{P} \mu$$

\therefore with probability one,

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{A(t)}{t} &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{t - S_{N(t)}}{t} \\ &= 1 - \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_{N(t)}}{N(t)} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N(t)}{t} \\ &= 1 - \frac{\mu}{\mu} \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$