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Section TA & Time: Mulkin, 11 Am

Problem 1.1: Evaluate the integrals of Ex 1.1 from the lecture slides.

$$\frac{1}{3!} \int_{\frac{1}{5}}^{\frac{6}{5}} \left(\frac{t}{15}\right)^4 t^3 e^{-\frac{t}{15}} dt = \left(-\frac{t^3}{15^3} e^{-\frac{t}{15}} - \frac{3t^2}{15^2} e^{-\frac{t}{15}} - \frac{6t}{15} e^{-\frac{t}{15}} - 6e^{-\frac{t}{15}} \right) \Big|_{\frac{1}{5}}^{\frac{6}{5}}$$

$$= -64(0.018316) - 48(0.018316) - 24(0.018316) - 6(0.018316)$$

$$+ 4(0.2963)(0.02556153) + 40.33(0.02556153) + 22(0.02556153) + 6(0.02556153) =$$

$$= (3.008 - 2.60087) = 0.399118 \left(\frac{1}{6}\right) \approx 0.068$$

Problem 1.2: Starting at 9 am, patients arrive at a doctor's office according to a Poisson process.

On average, 3 patients arrive every hour.

a) find the prob. that at least two patients arrive by 9:30 am

$$P(N_{0.5} \geq 2) = 1 - P(N_{0.5} < 2) = 1 - P(N_{0.5} = 1) - P(N_{0.5} = 0) \quad N_{0.5} \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda = 3 \cdot (0.5)) \stackrel{d}{=} \text{Pois}(\lambda = 1.5)$$

$$P(N_{0.5} \geq 2) = 1 - e^{-1.5} (1 + 1.5) = 0.4422$$

b) find the prob that 10 patients arrive by noon and 8 come before 11 am

$$P(N_3 = 10, N_2 = 8) = P(N_2 = 8, N_3 - N_2 = 2). \text{ Note } N_3 - N_2 \stackrel{d}{=} N_2 \text{ thus } P = P(N_2 = 8) P(N_3 - N_2 = 2)$$

$$N_2 \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda = 6), N_3 - N_2 \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda = 3) \Rightarrow p = \frac{e^{-6} 6^8}{8!} \cdot \frac{e^{-3} 3^2}{2!} = 0.0231$$

c) if 6 patients arrive by 10 am, find the prob. that only one arrives by 9:15

$$P(N_{0.25} = 1 | N_1 = 6) = P(N_{0.25} = 1, N_1 = 6) / P(N_1 = 6) = P(N_{0.25} = 1, N_1 - N_{0.25} = 5) / P(N_1 = 6)$$

$$N_{0.25} \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda = 0.75), N_1 - N_{0.25} \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda = 2.25) \text{ and } N_{0.25} \perp N_1 - N_{0.25}$$

$$\Rightarrow p = e^{-0.75} \cdot 0.75 \cdot e^{-2.25} \cdot 2.25^5 \left(\frac{1}{120}\right) / (e^{-3} \cdot 3^6 / 720) = 4.5 \cdot 2.25^5 / 3^6 = 0.356$$

Problem 1.3. Let $\{X_i\}_{i \geq 0}$ be a $\text{Pois}(\lambda = 2)$. Denote $\{X_i\}$ the interarrival times for N and $\{S_i\}$ the arrival times. Find

a) $E[X_3 X_4]$

$$\text{Interarrival times are i.i.d. exp}(\lambda), \text{ thus } \text{Cov}(X_3, X_4) = 0 \Rightarrow E[X_3]E[X_4] = E[X_3 X_4], = E[X_1]^2 = \frac{1}{\lambda^2} = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)$$

b) $E[S_3 S_4]$

$$E[S_3 S_4] = E[S_3 (S_3 + S_4 - S_3)] = E[S_3 (S_3 + X_4)] = E[S_3^2] + E[S_3 X_4] \quad \text{Note } S_3 \perp X_4 \text{ thus } E[S_3 X_4] = E[S_3]E[X_4]$$

$$E[X_4] = \frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{2}, E[S_3] = E\left[\sum_{i=1}^3 X_i\right] = 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{3}{2} \Rightarrow E[S_3 X_4] = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$E[S_3^2] \text{ if } S_3 = X_1 + X_2 + X_3 \sim \text{Gamma}(3, \beta = \frac{1}{2}) = \frac{2}{2} + \frac{3}{4} = \frac{9}{4}$$

$$\text{Thus, } E[S_3^2] + E[S_3 X_4] = \frac{9}{4} + \frac{3}{4} = \boxed{3}$$

Problem 1.4 Ben, Max, and Yolanda are in the front of three separate lines in the cafeteria. They follow independent Poisson processes with parameters $\lambda=1, 2, 3$, respectively.

a) Find the prob. that Yolanda is served first

Denote the processes $\{S_{B_i}\}$, $\{S_{M_i}\}$, and $\{S_{Y_i}\}$ the waiting times for the i th occurrence of their respective processes. We want $P(\min\{S_{B_i}, S_{M_i}, S_{Y_i}\} = S_{Y_i}) = P$. Note that this is equal to $P(\min\{X_{B_i}, X_{M_i}, X_{Y_i}\} = X_{Y_i})$

Recall from lecture 2, $P(\min\{X_{B_i}, X_{M_i}, X_{Y_i}\} = X_{Y_i}) = \frac{\lambda_Y}{\lambda_B + \lambda_M + \lambda_Y}$, thus, $P = \frac{3}{1+2+3} = \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}$

b) Find the prob. that Ben is served before Yolanda

$$P(\min\{X_{B_i}, X_{Y_i}\} = X_{B_i}) = \frac{\lambda_B}{\lambda_B + \lambda_Y} = \boxed{\frac{1}{4} = 0.25}$$

c) Find the expected waiting time for the first person to be served

$$E[\min\{X_{B_i}, X_{M_i}, X_{Y_i}\}] = E[X_{(1)}], \quad X_{(1)} \sim \exp(\lambda_B + \lambda_M + \lambda_Y) \\ \sim \exp(\lambda = 6)$$

$$\text{if } X_{(1)} \sim \exp(\lambda = 6), \text{ then } E[X_{(1)}] = \boxed{\frac{1}{6}}$$

Problem 1.5 For a Poiss. process with param. $\lambda > 0$, show that for $0 \leq s < t$, the correlation between N_s, N_t is

$$\text{Corr}(N_s, N_t) = \sqrt{\frac{s}{t}}$$

$$\text{Corr}(N_s, N_t) = \frac{\text{Cov}(N_s, N_t)}{SD(N_s)SD(N_t)} = \frac{\text{Cov}(N_s, N_t)}{\int_0^s \lambda ds \int_0^t \lambda dt} = \frac{\text{Cov}(N_s, N_t)}{\lambda \sqrt{s} \sqrt{t}}$$

$$\text{Cov}(N_s, N_t) = E[N_s N_t] - E[N_s]E[N_t] = E[N_s N_t] - \lambda^2 s t$$

$$E[N_s N_t] = E[N_s (N_t - N_s + N_s)] = E[N_s (N_t - N_s) + N_s^2] = E[N_s (N_t - N_s)] + E[N_s^2]$$

$$s < t \Rightarrow N_t - N_s \perp N_s \Rightarrow \text{Cov}(N_t - N_s, N_s) = 0 \Rightarrow E[(N_t - N_s)N_s] = E[N_t - N_s]E[N_s]$$

$$N_t - N_s \sim \text{Pois}((t-s)\lambda) \text{ and } N_s \sim \text{Pois}(s\lambda) \Rightarrow E[N_t - N_s]E[N_s] = \lambda^2 (s)(t-s)$$

$$E[N_s^2] = \text{Var}(N_s) + (E[N_s])^2 = \lambda s (1 + \lambda s)$$

$$\text{Thus, } E[N_s N_t] = \lambda^2 s (t-s) + \lambda s (1 + \lambda s) = \lambda^2 s t - \lambda^2 s^2 + \lambda s + \lambda^2 s^2 = \lambda^2 s t + \lambda s$$

$$\text{and } \text{Cov}(N_s, N_t) = \lambda^2 s t + \lambda s - \lambda^2 s t = \lambda s$$

$$\text{Finally } \text{Corr}(N_s, N_t) = \frac{\lambda s}{\lambda \sqrt{s} \sqrt{t}} = \frac{\sqrt{s}}{\sqrt{t}} = \sqrt{\frac{s}{t}}$$