

Chap 2 Intro. to Pt Processes.

See App. B for basic formal treatments.

Def

$u: S \rightarrow [0,1]$  w/  $\{\xi \in S \mid u(\xi) < 1\} : \text{bdd in } S$ .

The generating functional for a pt process  $X$  on  $S$

is  $G_X(u) := E \left[ \prod_{\xi \in X} u(\xi) \right]$ , for  $u$  as described above.

Prop

The disc. of  $X$  is uniquely determined by  $G_X$ .

<PF> Fix  $B \in \mathcal{B}_0$ .

For  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ , define  $u_t(\xi) = t^{\mathbb{1}[\xi \in B]}$ .

Then  $G_X(u_t) = E[t^{N(B)}]$ , which is the prob. generating fun. of  $N(B)$ .

Thus, disc. of  $N(B)$  can be recovered by  $G_X$ . By Thm B.1, the result follows. (#).

Chap 3 Poisson point processes.

Purpose: ① As a tractable model class for "no interaction" or "complete spatial randomness".  
② As a reference process.

3.1 Basic Properties.

Def

An intensity function is a fun.  $\rho: S \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  which is locally integrable. (i.e.  $\int_B \rho(\xi) d\xi < \infty$ ,  $\forall B \in \mathcal{B}_0$ ).

App B: Measure theoretical details.

B.1 Preliminaries.

$S$ : metric sp. w/ metric  $d(\cdot, \cdot)$ .

Def  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ : measure sp.

Any  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{F}$  is called a paving.

Lemma B.1.

$\mu_1, \mu_2$ : mee. defined on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$ .

$\mathcal{A}$ : a paving s.t.  $\mathcal{A}$ : closed under finite intersection

and  $\sigma(\mathcal{A}) = \mathcal{F}$ .

$\mu_1(\Omega) = \mu_2(\Omega) < \infty$ , and

$\mu_1 = \mu_2$  on  $\mathcal{A}$ .

Then  $\mu_1 = \mu_2$  on  $\mathcal{F}$ .

B.2 Formal def. of pt processes.

Def

$\mathcal{B}$ : the Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra on  $S$ .

$\mathcal{B}_0 := \{ \text{bdd Borel sets} \}$ .

$N_{\text{eff}} := \{ \text{locally finite subsets of } S \}$ .

$\mathcal{N}_{\text{eff}} := \sigma \left( \{ x \in N_{\text{eff}} \mid n(x_B) = m \} : B \in \mathcal{B}_0, m \in \mathbb{N}_0 \right)$

Def

A point process defined on  $S$  is a measurable map  $X: (\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P) \rightarrow (N_{\text{eff}}, \mathcal{N}_{\text{eff}})$ .

The distribution of  $X$ , denoted  $P_X$ , is

a prob. mee. on  $(N_{\text{eff}}, \mathcal{N}_{\text{eff}})$  defined by

$$P_X(F) = P(X^{-1}(F)) = P(\{\omega \mid X(\omega) \in F\}),$$

$\forall F \in \mathcal{N}_{\text{eff}}$ .

Def

For  $B \in \mathcal{B}_0$ ,  $N(B): (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{N}_0, 2^{\mathbb{N}_0})$  is defined by  $(N(B))(\omega) = n(B \cap X(\omega))$ .

Prop

$X$  is measurable  $\Leftrightarrow N(B)$  is measurable  $\forall B \in \mathcal{B}_0$ .

<PF>

( $\Rightarrow$ ) is obvious.

( $\Leftarrow$ )

It suffices to prove,  $\forall m \in \mathbb{N}_0, B \in \mathcal{B}_0$ , we have

$$X^{-1}(\{x \in N_{\text{eff}} \mid n(x_B) = m\}) \in \mathcal{F}.$$

This is because  $\mathcal{N}_{\text{eff}}$  is generated by such sets.

Notice this preimage is exactly  $N(B)^{-1}(m)$  and

hence the result follows. (#)

Remark:

Due to this prop, we can define, for every

$B \in \mathcal{B}$ ,  $N(B)$  as  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} N(B_i \cap B)$ , where

$S = \bigsqcup_{i=1}^{\infty} B_i$  w/  $B_i \in \mathcal{B}_0, \forall i$ .

Lemma B.2

The distribution  $P_X$  of a point process  $X$  is determined by the finite dimensional distributions of its count functions.

i.e. the joint dist. of  $N(B_1), \dots, N(B_m)$  for any  $B_1, \dots, B_m \in \mathcal{B}_0$  and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ .

<PF>

$\mathcal{A} := \{ \{x \in N_{\text{eff}} \mid n(x_{B_i}) = n_i, i=1, \dots, m\} \mid$

$n_i \in \mathbb{N}_0, B_i \in \mathcal{B}_0, i=1, \dots, m, m \in \mathbb{N} \}$ .

Then  $\mathcal{A}$  is closed under finite intersection and  $\sigma(\mathcal{A}) = \mathcal{N}_{\text{eff}}$ .

$\therefore P_X$  is a prob. mee. on  $\mathcal{N}_{\text{eff}}$  and its values are the finite dimensional dist. of the count functions

$\therefore$  By Lemma B.1, the result follows. (#)

Remark:

① We may identify a point process  $X$  w/ a locally finite random counting measure.

② Here, we will only consider simple point processes. i.e.  $P(N(\{\xi\}) \leq 1) = 1, \forall \xi \in S$ .

③ A point process w/ multiple pts may be viewed as a marked pt process. (which may be viewed as simple)

### B.3 Some useful conditions and results.

Henceforth, we assume  $S$  is separable.

i.e.  $S$  contains a countable dense set.

#### Lemma B.3

$\mathcal{N}_{\text{ef}}^0 := \{ \{x \in N_{\text{ef}} \mid n(B_x) = 0\} : B \in \mathcal{B}_0 \}$ ,  
called the class of void events.

Then  $\mathcal{N}_{\text{ef}} = \sigma(\mathcal{N}_{\text{ef}}^0)$ .

Thm B.1 (extremely useful (as the authors said)).

A pt process is uniquely determined by its void probabilities.

i.e.  $P_X(\{x \in N_{\text{ef}} \mid n(B_x) = 0\})$ ,  $\forall B \in \mathcal{B}_0$ .

<Pf>.

Immediate from Lemma B.1 and B.3  $\oplus$

#### Def

A metric sp.  $S$  is called a Polish space if it is complete and separable.

#### Prop B.1

If  $S$  is Polish, then  $\mathcal{N}_{\text{ef}}$  is separable (i.e. countably generated).

$S$ : complete separable metric sp.

$$X \subseteq S, B \subseteq S, X_B := X \cap B.$$

①  $X$ : locally finite if  $n(X_B) < \infty, \forall$  bdd  $B$ .

Object	Element
$\mathcal{N}_{\text{eff}}$	pt cloud set
$\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{B}_0, \mathcal{N}_{\text{eff}}$	pt cloud
$S$	pt

②  $\mathcal{N}_{\text{eff}} := \{X \subseteq S \mid X \text{ locally finite}\}.$

An element in  $\mathcal{N}_{\text{eff}}$  is called a locally finite <sup>pt</sup> configuration.

③  $\mathcal{B} :=$  Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra of  $S = \sigma(\text{open sets in } S).$

$$\mathcal{B}_0 := \{\text{bdd Borel sets}\}.$$

④ Given  $B \in \mathcal{B}_0, m \in \mathbb{N}. \mathbb{N}_0 := \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}.$

$$\mathcal{N}_{\text{eff}} := \sigma(\{X \in \mathcal{N}_{\text{eff}} \mid n(X_B) = m\} : B \in \mathcal{B}_0, m \in \mathbb{N}_0) \leftarrow \text{a } \sigma\text{-algebra on } \mathcal{N}_{\text{eff}}.$$

⑤ A pt process is a random element

$$X: (\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{P}) \rightarrow (\mathcal{N}_{\text{eff}}, \mathcal{N}_{\text{eff}}).$$

induces  $P_X \leftarrow \text{a distribution}$  on  $(\mathcal{N}_{\text{eff}}, \mathcal{N}_{\text{eff}})$  by  $P_X(F) = \mathcal{P}(\{\omega \in \Omega \mid X(\omega) \in F\})$

For  $B \in \mathcal{B}$ , define  $\mathcal{N}_X(B) = \mathcal{P}(X^{-1}(F)), \forall F \in \mathcal{N}_{\text{eff}}.$

$$N(B): (\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{P}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{N}_0, 2^{\mathbb{N}_0}) \text{ by } (N_X(B))(\omega) = n(X(\omega) \cap B).$$

$\mathcal{N}_X(B)$  (emphasizing dependence on  $X$ ).

Prop

$$X: \text{measurable} \Leftrightarrow N_X(B): \text{measurable}, \forall B \in \mathcal{B}.$$

Def

By abuse of notation,  $X \subseteq S$  means  $X \in \mathcal{B}$ , and  
 $F \subseteq \mathcal{N}_{\text{eff}} \quad \dots \quad F \in \mathcal{N}_{\text{eff}}.$

### 1.1.1 Characterization of Pt Processes.

Spoiler: A pt process is characterized (i.e. uniquely determined) by either of the following: its finite dimensional distributions, its void distributions, or its generating functional.

Def  $X$ : a pt process.

The collection of joint disc. of  $(N(B_1), \dots, N(B_m))$ , running over all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $B_1, \dots, B_m \in \mathcal{B}_0$ , is called the family of finite dimensional distributions of  $X$ .