

Poisson Probability Discussion

Source Code: https://github.com/kevinbird61/stochastic-calculus-and-probability-model/tree/master/poisson_distribution

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Improvement

After `example 2.5` , `3.31` , the program has been refactor a lot, make code reusable.

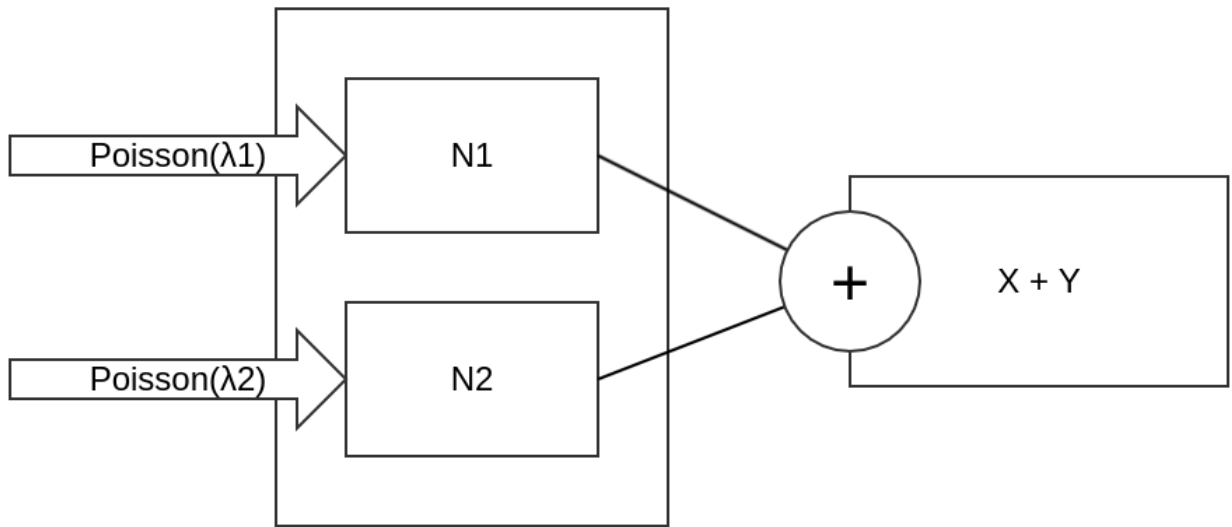
- Consider simulation need to be tested with several different input, to **accelerate** the arguments parsing process, I construct `parse_arg` class to deal with this problem. [See more about parse_arg](#) .

Discuss two *network model*

Example 2.37 (Merge)

- It will be implemented in `part_a.cc`

Example 2.37



Mathematic Model

- Because N_1, N_2 is **independent**, so we know $N_1 \Rightarrow$

$$N_1 | N = n \sim \text{Binomial}(n, p)$$

, which N_2 :

$$N_2 | N = n \sim \text{Binomial}(n, 1 - p)$$

, Both N_1, N_2 is a sum of n independent *Bernoulli*(p) random variables, with $\text{Binomial}(N, P)$, N and P represent **Number and Probability**.

- We have:

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{N_1}(k) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(N_1 = k | N = n) \cdot P_{N_1}(n) \\
 &= \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} C_k^n \cdot p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \cdot e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^n}{n!} \\
 &= \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \frac{p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \lambda^n}{k! (n-k)!} \\
 &= \frac{e^{-\lambda} \cdot (\lambda p)^k}{k!} \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda (1-p))^{n-k}}{(n-k)!} \\
 &= \frac{e^{-\lambda} \cdot (\lambda p)^k}{k!} \cdot e^{\lambda(1-p)} \\
 &= \frac{e^{-\lambda p} \cdot (\lambda p)^k}{k!}, \text{ for } k = 0, 1, 2, \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

- So that we conclude that

$$N_1 \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda \cdot p)$$

$$N_2 \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda \cdot (1 - p))$$

which N_1 and N_2 are independent,

so $P_{N_1+N_2}$ will be :

$$P_{N_1+N_2}(n, m) = P_{N_1}(n) \cdot P_{N_2}(m)$$

- Consider the formula:

$$\begin{aligned} P(X + Y = n) &= \sum_{k=0}^n P(X = k, Y = n - k) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n P(X = k) \cdot P(Y = n - k) \end{aligned}$$

So that Merging Poisson Process can be:

- Directly** calculate the $S=X+Y$ with:

$$P(X + Y = n) = \frac{e^{-(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}}{n!} \cdot (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)^n$$

- Separately** calculate X and Y with:

$$P(X = k) = \frac{e^{-(\lambda_1)}}{k!} \cdot (\lambda_1)^k,$$

$$P(Y = n - k) = \frac{e^{-(\lambda_2)}}{(n-k)!} \cdot (\lambda_2)^{n-k}$$

, and need to consider the summation, from **k=0~n**:

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \dots$$

Simulation Model

- We can use exponential distribution:

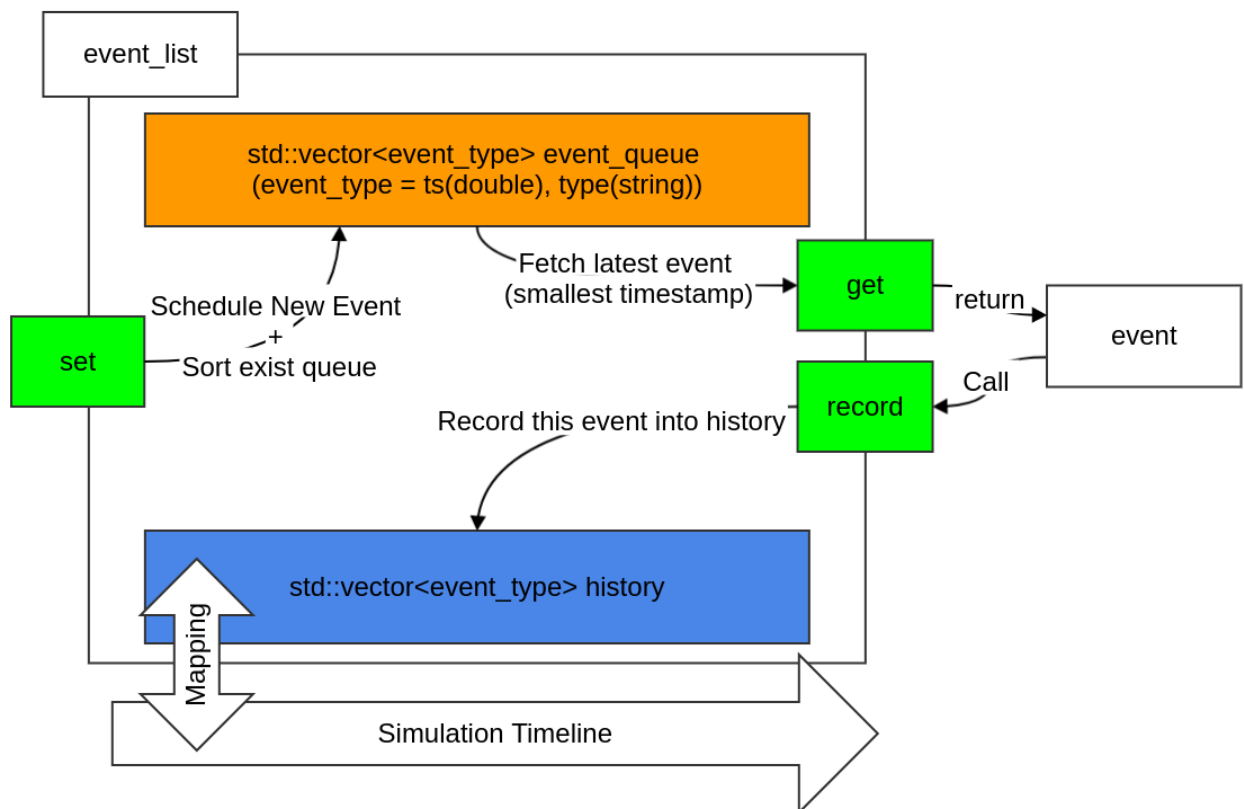
$$f(x) = \lambda \cdot e^{-\lambda \cdot x}$$

, which let x be a random number to get a **random variable** from exponential distribution.

- In my implementation, I use C++ STL (standard library) - `<random>` to do this.

Implementation Detail

- **Step 1** , I using self-defined class - `event_list` as my event queue. See more about `event_list`.
- **Step 2** , scheduling 2 individual event: `x` , `y` into event queue for initialization, then we can start our simulation. End condition is the number you can set in arguments before starting program by `-s` .
- **Step 3** , pop out the element from `event_list` , and depend on its type (e.g. is `x` or `y` ?) to schedule next event with **exponential random variable** as timestamp and push back into `event_list` . And the old event will be record into this `event_list` object (treat like a event history, sort by its timestamp.). *Do this routine until reaching the number we set by specifying `-s` .*
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- **Step 4** , after event scheduling process has been done, we now can count the ratio of event arrival in each time scale.
 - For example, between timestamp `0.0~1.0` , we get `5` event arrival during this time scale; And `1.0~2.0` , we get `4` as event arrival.
 - Now, assume `2.0` is the end point of simulation, we now have 2 result: `x=5` and `x=4` , both have 1 occurrence.
 - Then we can say: $P(X=5)=1/(1+1)= 0.5 = 50\% = P(X=4) !$
- **Step 5** , and now we have the history record in object of `event_list` , which record the type of each event, then we can pop it out and get the $P(X)$, $P(Y)$ and $P(X+Y)$, with specified value of time scale:

$$time\ scale = 1$$

, which

$$\text{rate parameter} = \lambda, \text{scale parameter} = 1/\lambda = \beta$$

- Because *rate parameter* means in this time scale (which indicate as 1 above), how many event will happen. So we can use 1 to measure this simulation is fitting with poisson distribution or not.
- **Final** , Then we can count the arrival rate in this time scale to finish our simulation!

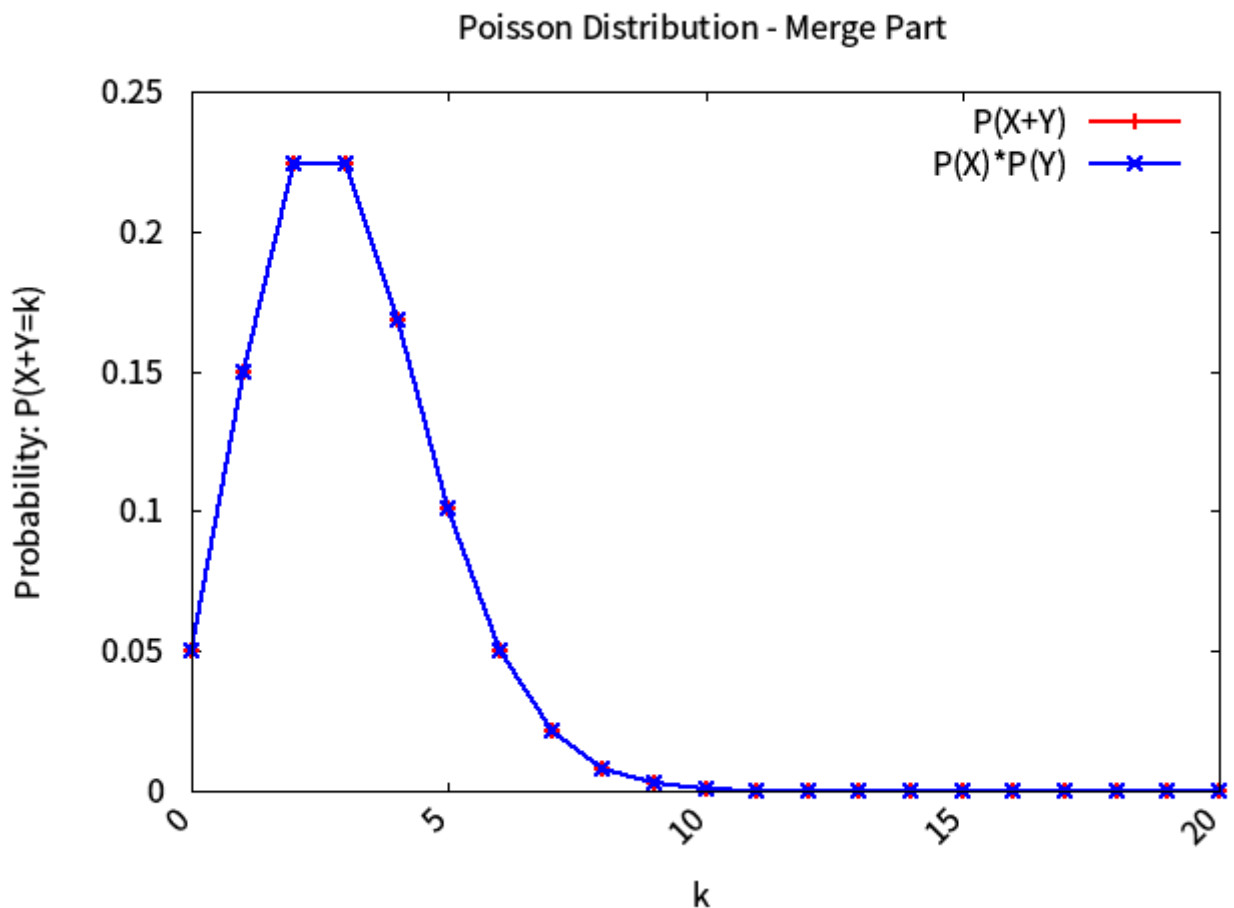
Result

- So we need to compare simulation and mathematic model:
 - run with command `make && make plot` to run the program and plot:

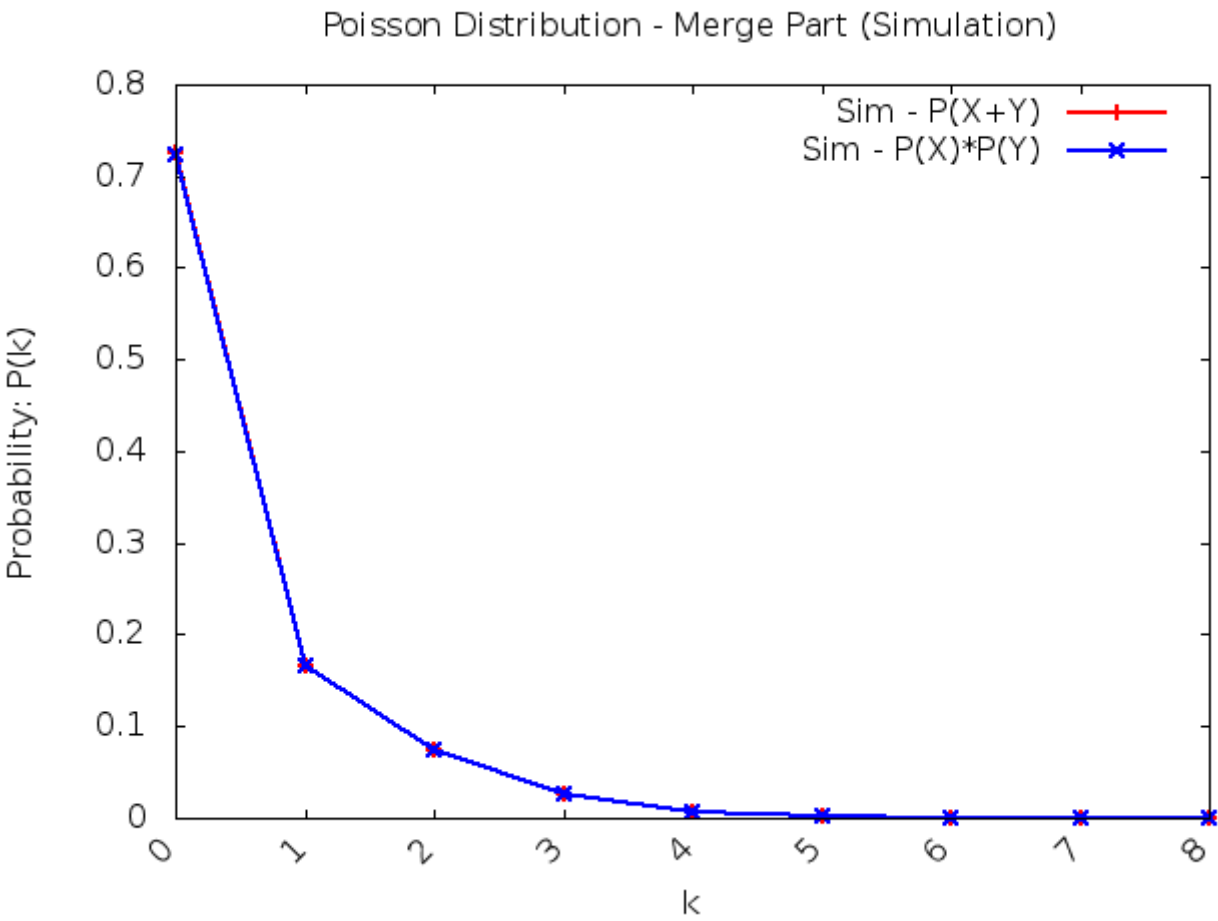
$$k = 20, \lambda_X = 1, \lambda_Y = 2$$

, also if you want to adjust, please using `./part_a.out -h` to see more.

- **Mathematic Model**



- **Simulation Model**

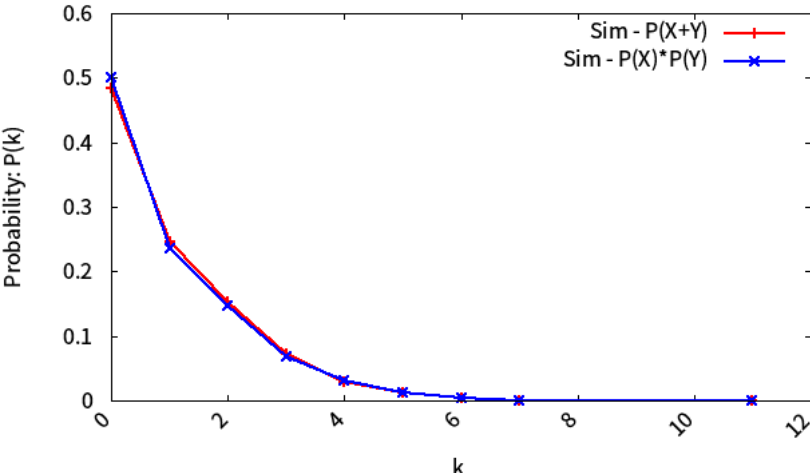
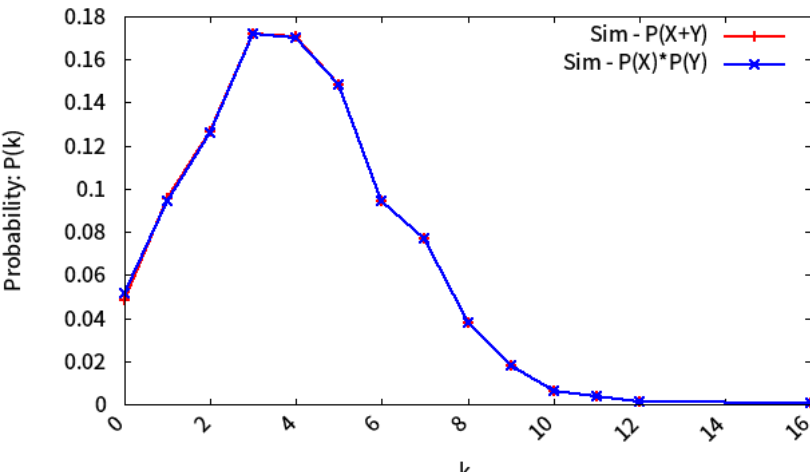


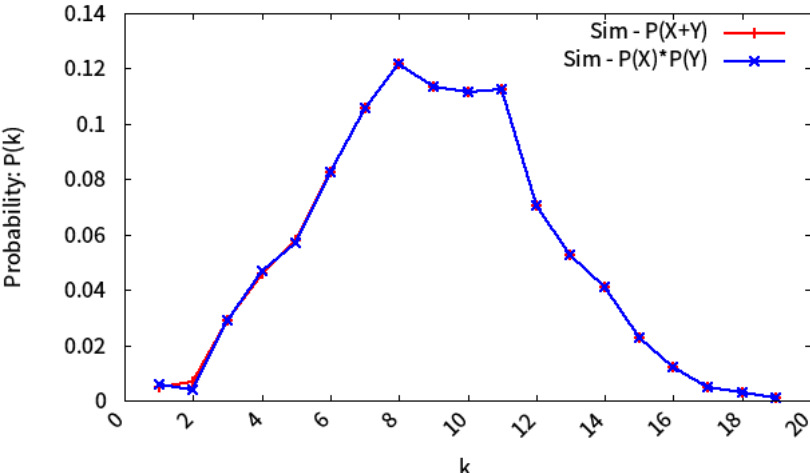
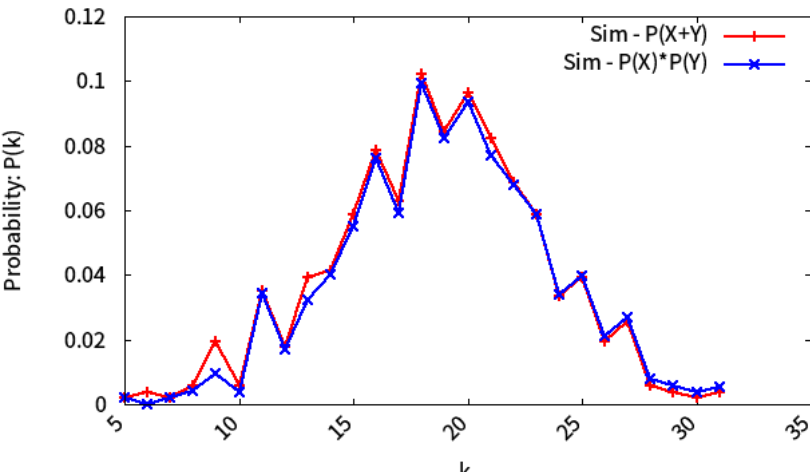
- We can see, both mathematic and simulation model all have the same curve in $P(X+Y)$ and $P(X)*P(Y)$

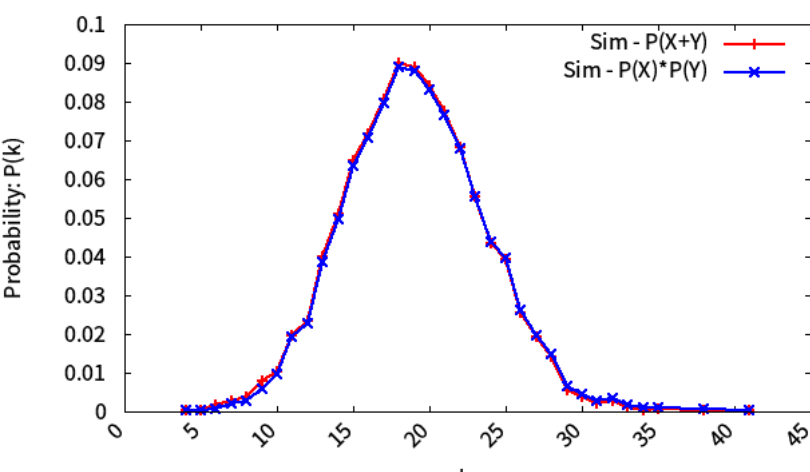
Different Case

- After we have finished the `part_a.cc` and compile it to get the executable file, we now can use it to run `multiple testcase - test_a.sh`

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case	simulation times			result
1	10000	1	2	<div><p>Poisson Distribution - Merge Part (Simulation)</p><p>Figure, Simulation time=10000 $\lambda_1=1, \lambda_2=2$, duration slot=1.000000</p></div>
2	10000	1	5	<div><p>Poisson Distribution - Merge Part (Simulation)</p><p>Figure, Simulation time=10000 $\lambda_1=1, \lambda_2=5$, duration slot=1.000000</p></div>

case	simulation times			result
3	10000	1	10	<div><p>Poisson Distribution - Merge Part (Simulation)</p><p>Figure, Simulation time=10000 $\lambda_1=1, \lambda_2=10$, duration slot=1.000000</p></div>
4	10000	10	20	<div><p>Poisson Distribution - Merge Part (Simulation)</p><p>Figure, Simulation time=10000 $\lambda_1=10, \lambda_2=20$, duration slot=1.000000</p></div>

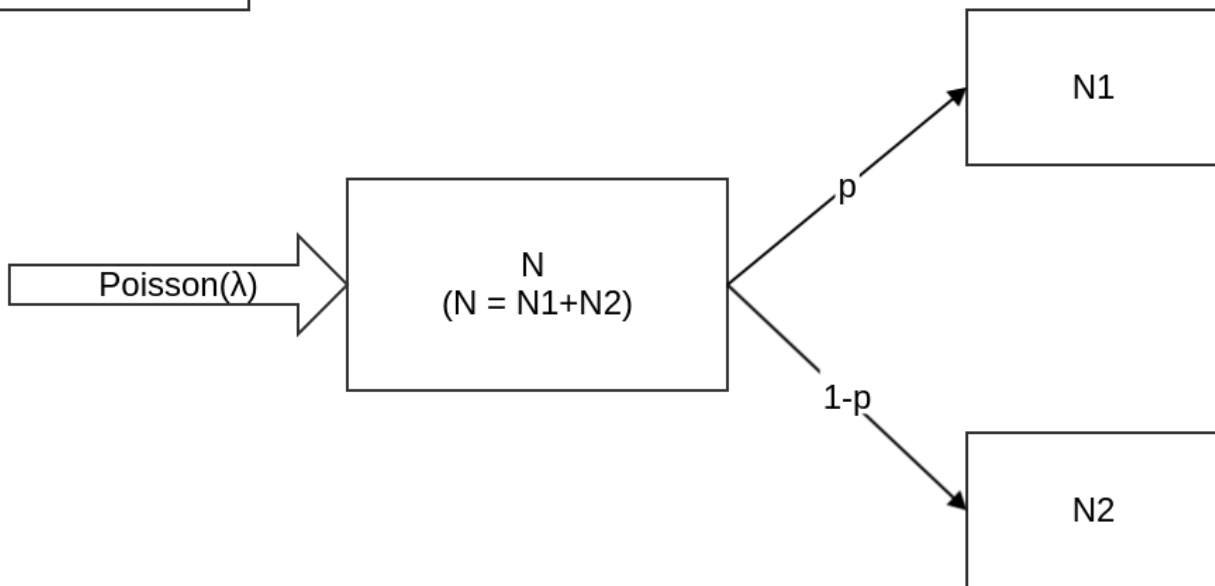
case	simulation times			result
5	100000	10	20	<p>Poisson Distribution - Merge Part (Simulation)</p>  <p>Figure, Simulation time=100000 $\lambda_1=10$, $\lambda_2=20$, duration slot=1.000000</p>

- Parameters:
 - simulation times represent the **number** of total event in simulation process.
 - λ_1 represent the lambda in X .
 - λ_2 represent the lambda in Y .
- As the result shown above, we can see $P(S=X+Y)$ is almost perfectly match with $P(X)*P(Y)$; And we can see in case 4, these 2 curves are quite not matching with each other; But after *increase the total event number*, then we can see these 2 curves are matching again.

Example 3.23 (Split)

- It will be implemented in `part_b.cc`

Example 3.23



In this part, we can see Part-B is the inverse process of Part-A (e.g. Poisson Process Merge). Part-B is the Poisson Process Split, which separate one arrival queue into 2 different set of queue, with specified probability (p) to transform from original one to these 2 different set.

Mathematic Model

From the formula, we can have the equation:

$$P(X + Y) = P(\lambda \cdot p_x) \cdot P(\lambda \cdot (1 - p_x))$$

, which

$$P(X) = P(\lambda \cdot p_x), P(Y) = P(\lambda \cdot (1 - p_x))$$

So in mathematic part, we can construct this equation by program. See detail in [part_b.cc](#).

Simulation Model

As the same concept in Part-A, we use a event queue to represent the entire simulation.

The **differences** between them are:

- `lambda_1` and `lambda_2` become `lambda * p` and `lambda * (1-p)`
- When each arrival event occur, we need to using a random number ($0.0 \sim 1.0$) to decide this event type (e.g. become " x " or " y "), and as same as Step 3 in Part-A, assign an exponential random variable as timestamp to this event, and then schedule it into event list.

- And we can use the same step of Step 4 in Part-A , to get the probability of each number of event occur during specified time scale: 1 (**Which represent "in this time slot, how many event will occur"**)
- **Most important part**, in Part B there have need to create three event queue, N , LX , LY respectively.
 - $N = N \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$, is using to generate the X (derive from N) and Y (derive from N) with probability p and 1-p
 - LX represent the independent Poisson ($\lambda * p$), compare with X (derive from N) .
 - LY represent the independent Poisson ($\lambda * (1-p)$), compare with Y (derive from N) .
 - The other calculation are similar with above.
- With all the statistics required, we can count the arrival rate in this time scale to finish our simulation!

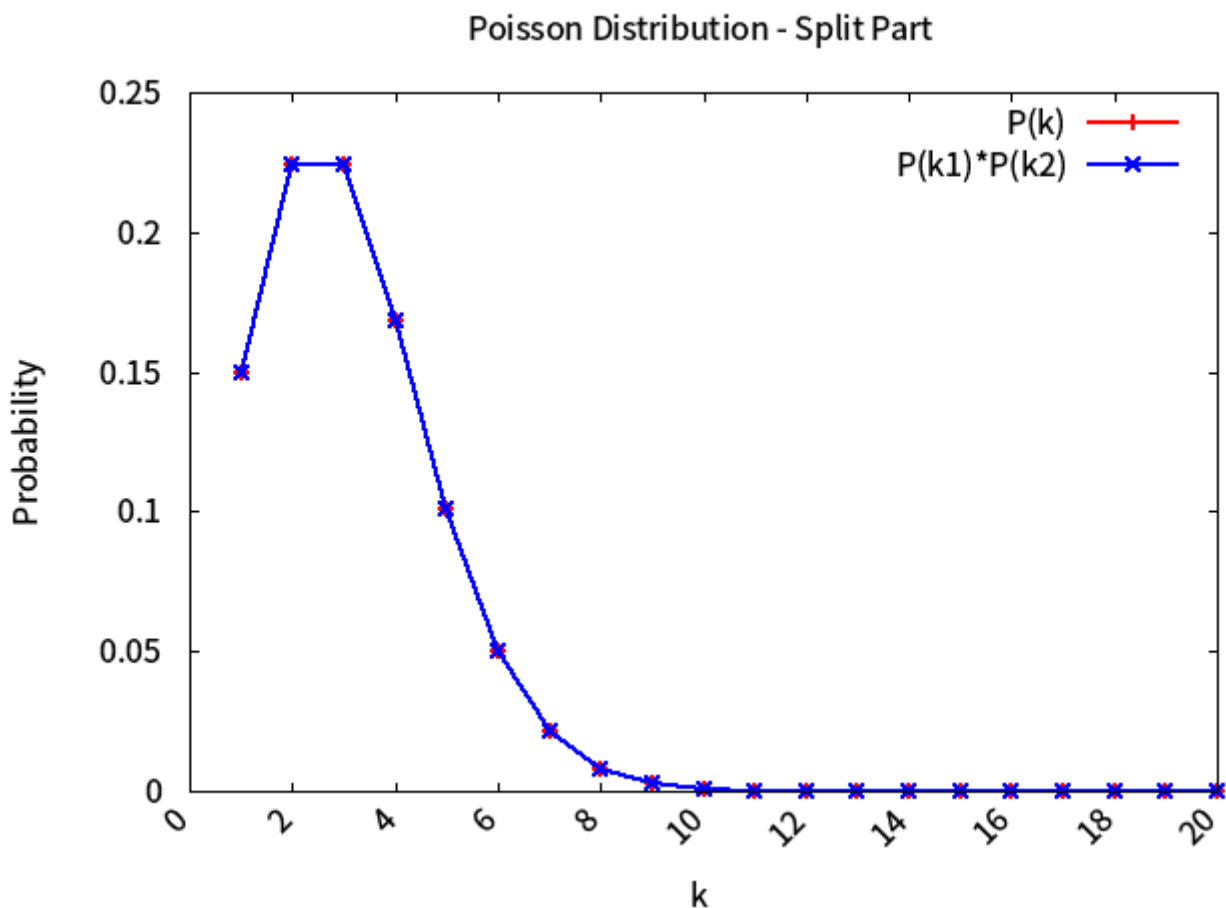
Result

- Run make && make plot with statistics:

$$k = 20, \lambda = 3, p = 0.5$$

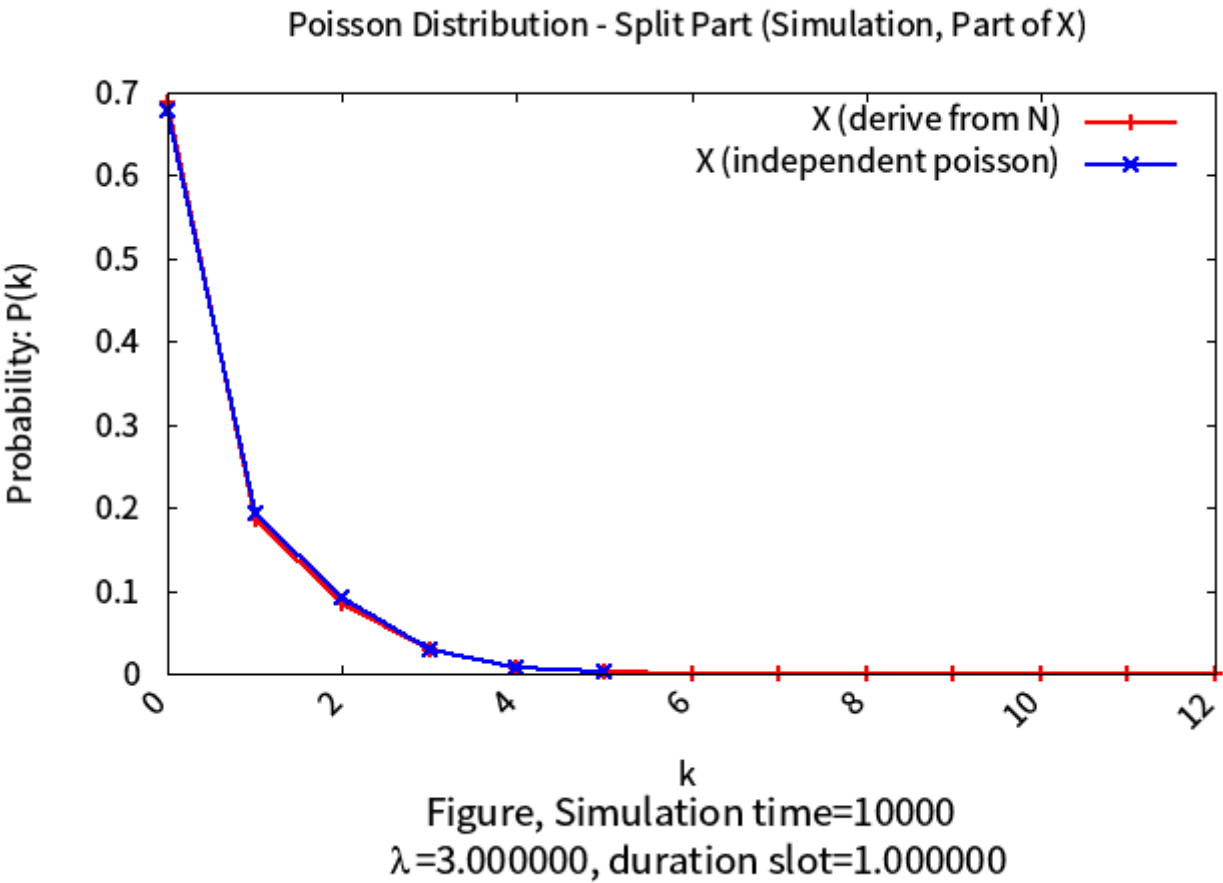
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- **Mathematic Model**

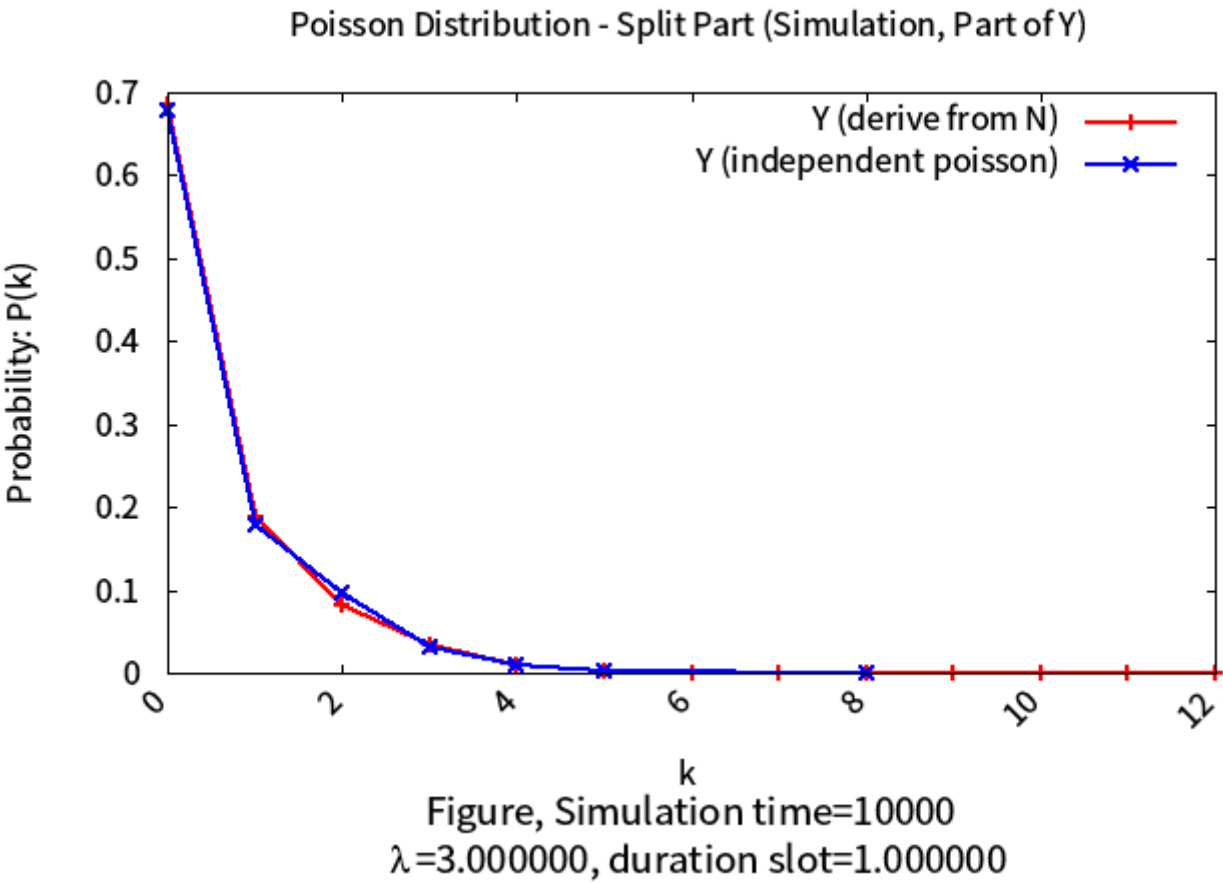


- **Simulation Model** (with 10000 event)

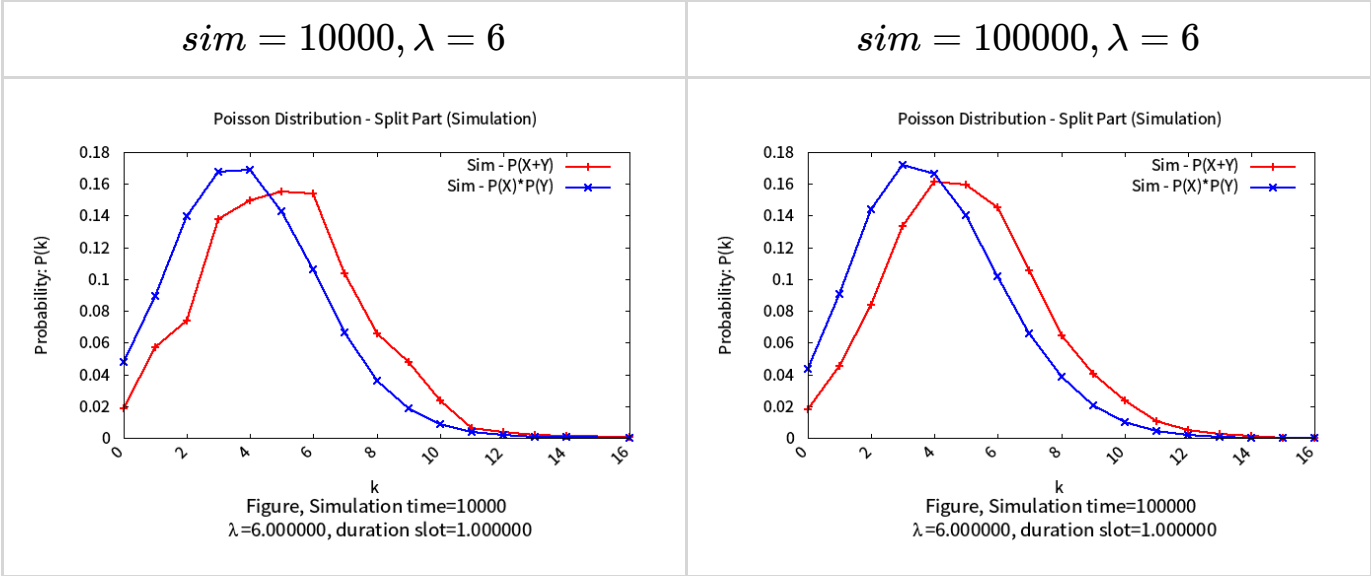
- X (derive from N) compare with LX (Poisson ($\lambda \cdot p$))



- Y (derive from N) compare with LY (Poisson ($\lambda \cdot (1-p)$))



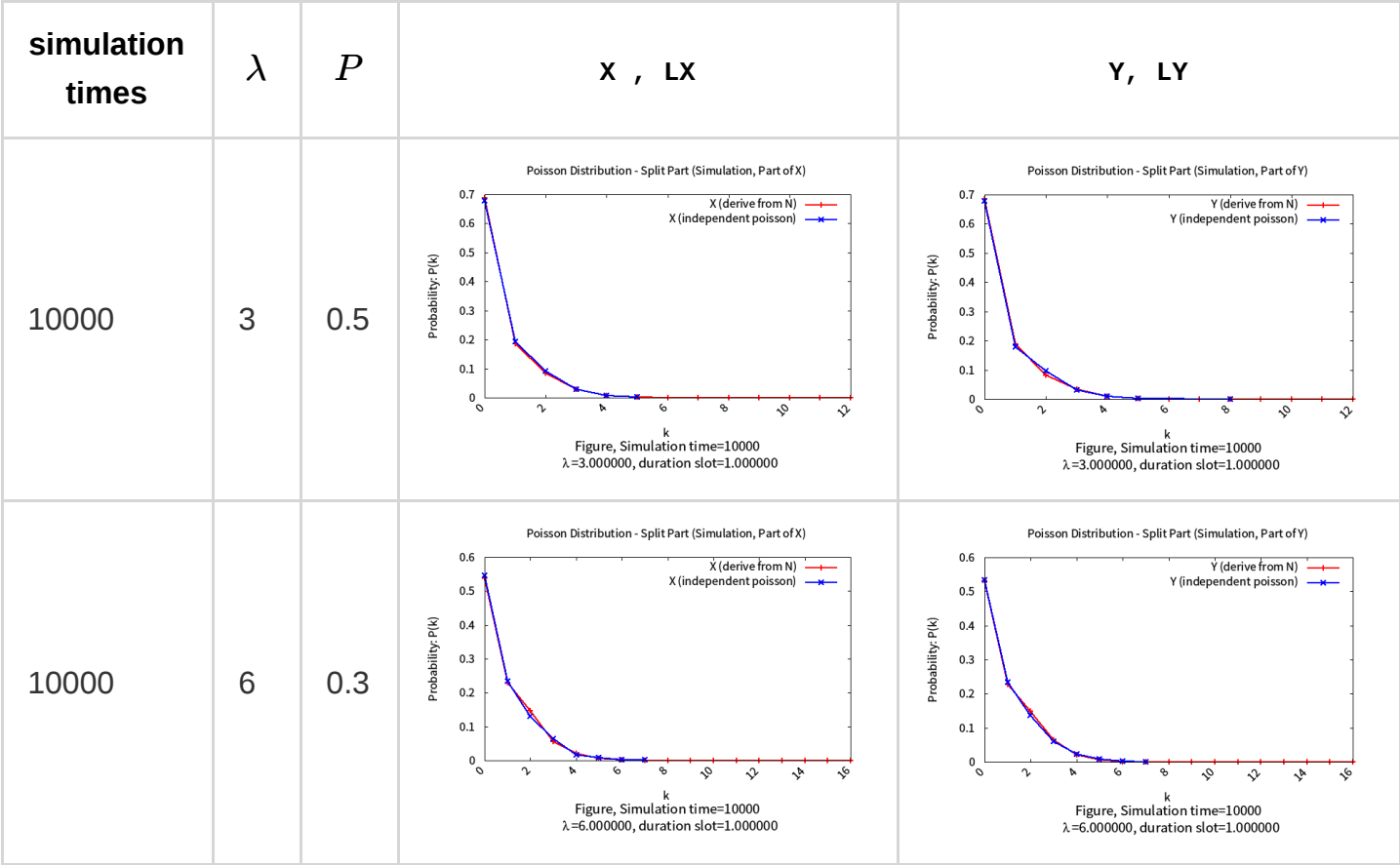
- Also, you can compare $P(X+Y)$ with $P(X) \cdot P(Y)$, too. But there are lots of bias between them.

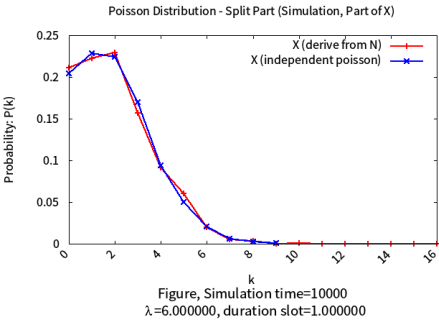
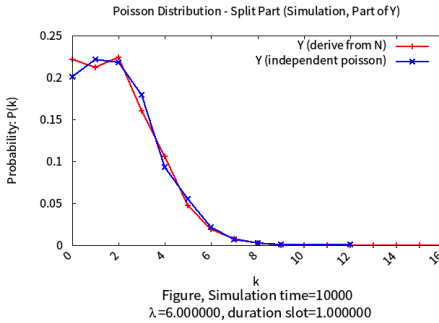
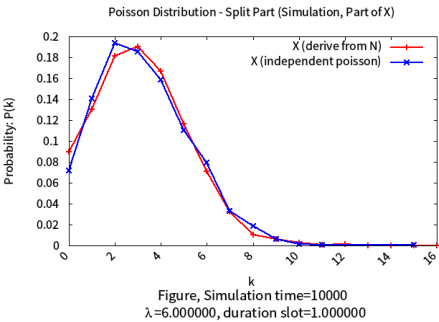
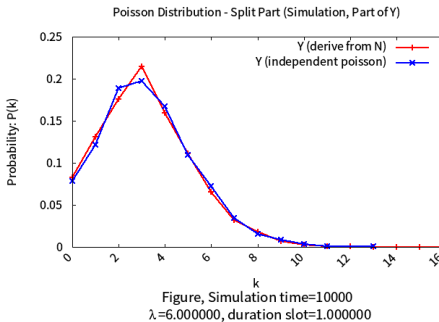
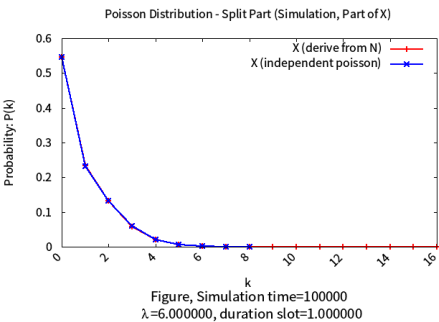
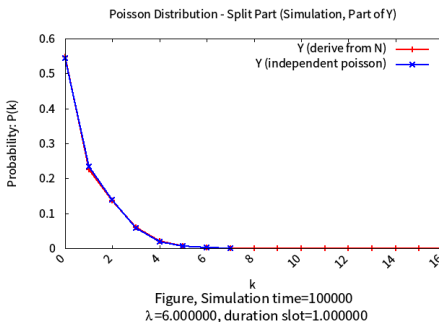
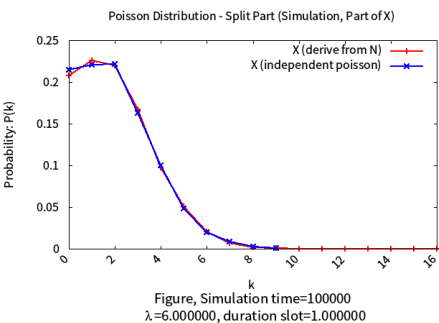
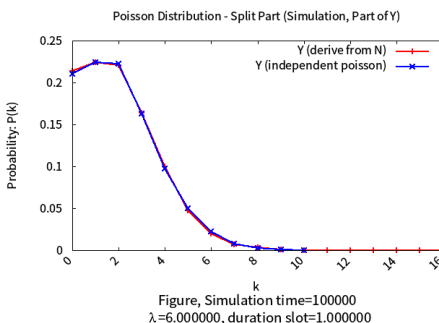
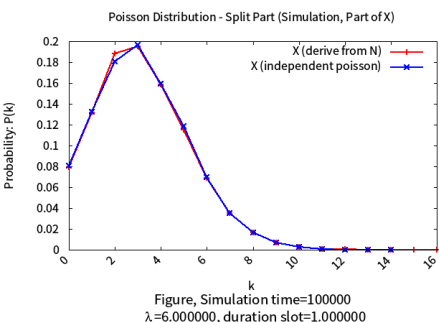
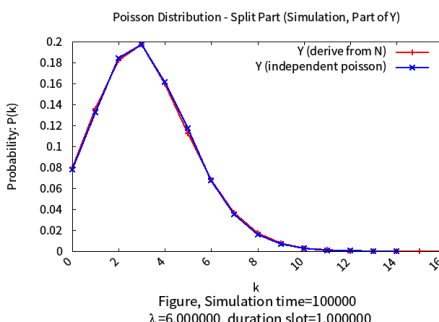


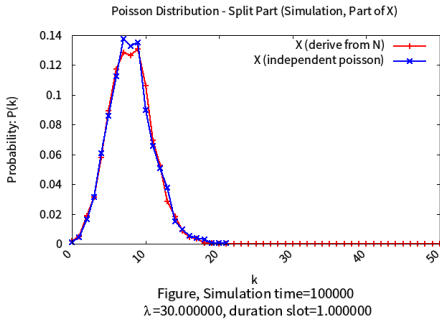
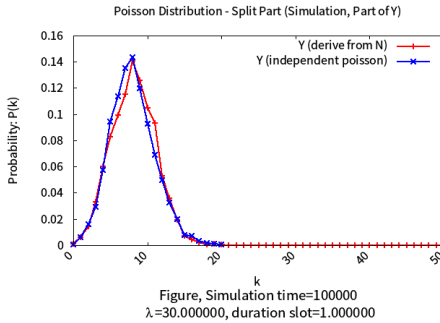
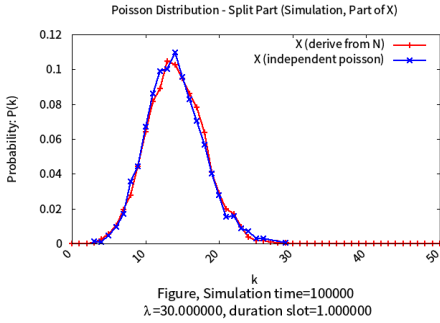
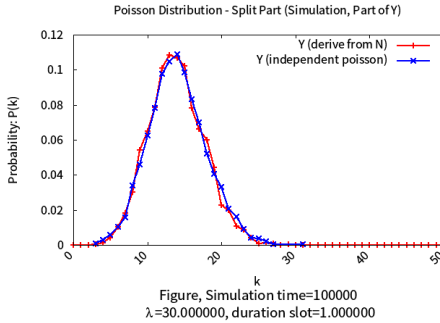
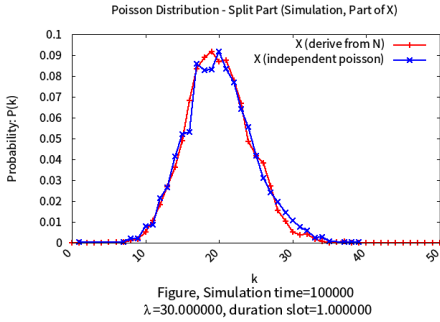
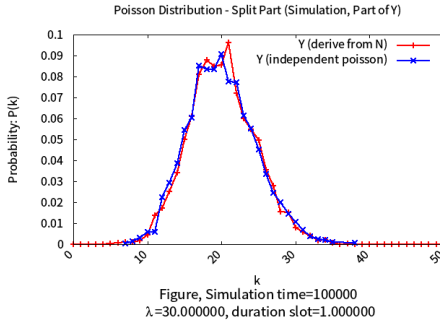
And next part we will adjust the parameter and compare the results.

Different Case

- After we have finished the `part_b.cc` and compile it to get the executable file, we now can use it to run `multiple testcase -test_b.sh`



simulation times			X , LX	Y , LY
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10000	6	0.7	 <p>Poisson Distribution - Split Part (Simulation, Part of X)</p> <p>Figure, Simulation time=10000 $\lambda=6.000000$, duration slot=1.000000</p>	 <p>Poisson Distribution - Split Part (Simulation, Part of Y)</p> <p>Figure, Simulation time=10000 $\lambda=6.000000$, duration slot=1.000000</p>
100000	6	0.3	 <p>Poisson Distribution - Split Part (Simulation, Part of X)</p> <p>Figure, Simulation time=100000 $\lambda=6.000000$, duration slot=1.000000</p>	 <p>Poisson Distribution - Split Part (Simulation, Part of Y)</p> <p>Figure, Simulation time=100000 $\lambda=6.000000$, duration slot=1.000000</p>
100000	6	0.5	 <p>Poisson Distribution - Split Part (Simulation, Part of X)</p> <p>Figure, Simulation time=100000 $\lambda=6.000000$, duration slot=1.000000</p>	 <p>Poisson Distribution - Split Part (Simulation, Part of Y)</p> <p>Figure, Simulation time=100000 $\lambda=6.000000$, duration slot=1.000000</p>
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simulation times			X , LX	Y , LY
100000	30	0.3	 <p>Figure, Simulation time=100000 $\lambda=30.000000$, duration slot=1.000000</p>	 <p>Figure, Simulation time=100000 $\lambda=30.000000$, duration slot=1.000000</p>
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- Parameters:
 - simulation times represent the **number** of total event in simulation process.
 - P represent the probability of event from N deriving to X .
 - X,LX : result compare with x (derive from N) (e.g. using λ directly) and LX (independent Poisson) (e.g. $\lambda \cdot p$)
 - Y,LY : result compare with Y (derive from N) (e.g. using λ directly) and LY (independent Poisson) (e.g. $\lambda \cdot (1 - p)$)
- As the result above, we can see X, LX , Y, LY are almost matching respectively !
 - And you can see case of $\lambda=6$, when we increase the simulation times from 10000 to 100000, the result will be more matching.
 - Otherwise, it will have a large oscillation between 2 curves.

Reference

- [Basic Concept of Poisson Process](#)

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