

Continuous Distributions and Poisson Process

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- **Discrete** R.V.

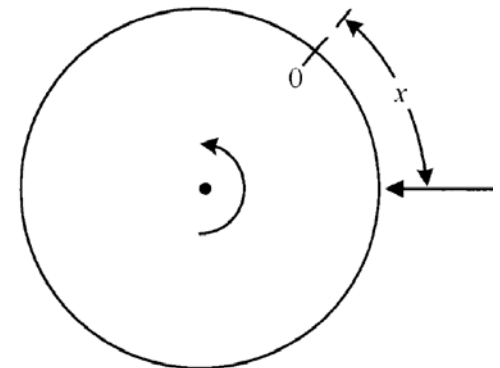
- Defined over countable events
- Each event may have a probability mass

- **Continuous** R.V.

- Defined over uncountable continuous space
- A point cannot have a probability mass
- Axioms of probability hold

- **Example**

- Roulette wheel with circumference of 1
- Distance from 0 to the arrow
- Sample space Ω : real number in a range $[0,1)$
- Points cannot have a probability
 - For any $x \in [0, 1)$, $\Pr(X=x) = 0$



- Continuous **distribution function**

- $F(x) = \Pr(X \leq x)$

- Density function**

- $f(x) = F'(x)$

$$F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(t)dt$$

$$\Pr(a \leq X \leq b) = \int_a^b f(t)dt$$

$$\Pr(x < X \leq x + dx) = F(x + dx) - F(x) \approx f(x)dx$$

- Example:

- Roulette

- $F(x) = \Pr(X < x) = x$, for $0 \leq x < 1$

- $f(x) = F'(x) = 1$, for $0 \leq x < 1$

- $\Pr(a \leq X \leq b) = \int_a^b f(t)dt = (b-a)$, for $0 \leq a \leq b < 1$

- Mean, Variance, ...

$$E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \cdot f(x) dx$$

$$E[X^k] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^k \cdot f(x) dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}[X] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - E[X])^2 \cdot f(x) dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 \cdot f(x) dx - E[X]^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$M_X(t) = E[e^{tX}] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{tx} \cdot f(x) dx$$

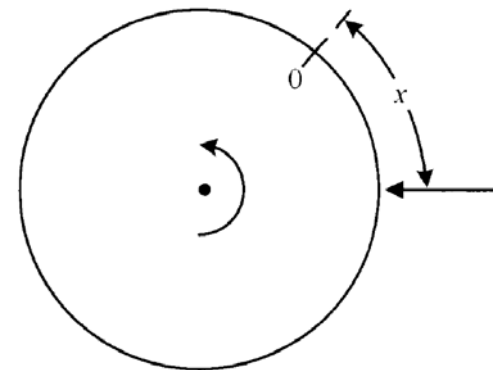
- Example:

– Roulette where $f(x) = 1$ for $0 \leq x < 1$

$$E[X] = \int_0^1 x \cdot f(x) dx = \int_0^1 x dx = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Var}[X] = \int_0^1 x^2 dx - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = ?$$

$$M_X(t) = E[e^{tX}] = \int_0^1 e^{tx} \cdot x dx$$



• Lemma

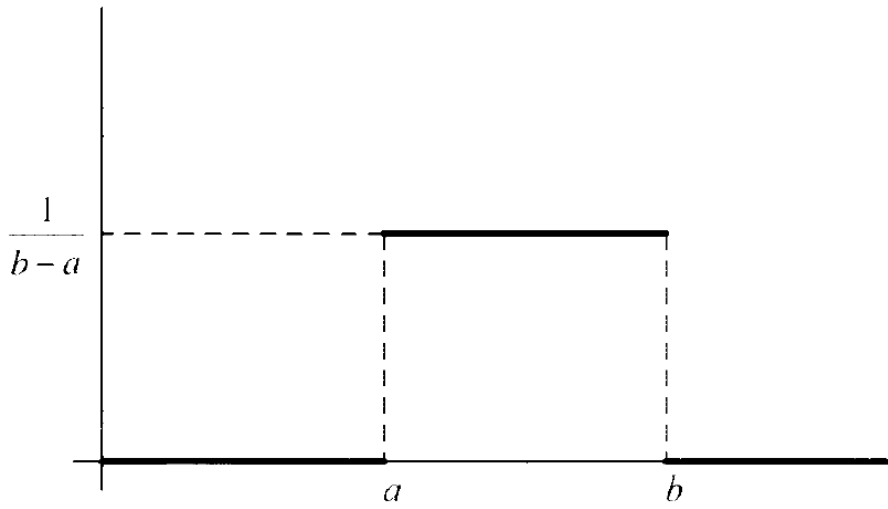
- Let X be a non-negative continuous r.v.
- $E[X] = \int_{x=0}^{\infty} \Pr(X \geq x) dx$

• Proof

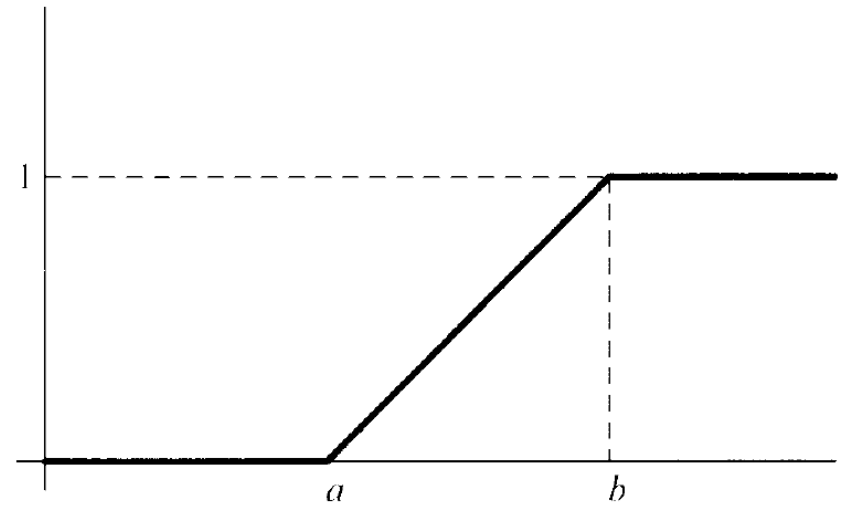
$$\begin{aligned} - \int_{x=0}^{\infty} \Pr(X \geq x) dx &= \int_{x=0}^{\infty} \int_{y=x}^{\infty} f(y) dy dx \\ &= \int_{y=0}^{\infty} \int_{x=0}^y f(y) dx dy \\ &= \int_{y=0}^{\infty} y f(y) dy \\ &= E[X] \end{aligned}$$

Uniform Distribution

- $U[a, b]$: Uniform distribution over an interval $[a, b]$
 - $\Pr(c \leq X \leq c + \delta) = \Pr(d \leq X \leq d + \delta)$, for any proper c, d and δ



(a) $f(x) = \frac{1}{b-a}, a \leq x \leq b$



(b) $F(x) = \frac{x-a}{b-a}, a \leq x \leq b.$

- Mean, variance

$$E[X] = \int_a^b x \cdot \frac{1}{b-a} dx = (a + b)/2$$

$$\text{Var}[X] = ??$$

• Lemma:

Let $X_i \sim U[0,1]$, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

Y_k is the k -th largest among X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n

Then $E[Y_k] = k/(n+1)$

• Proof:

– Exercise 5

– Prove that $E[Y_1] = 1/(n+1)$

- $Y_1 = \min\{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n\}$

- Y_1 is less than $a \iff ?$

- Y_1 is greater than $a \iff$ Each X_i is greater than a

- $\Pr(Y_1 > a) = \prod_{i=1}^n \Pr(X_i > a)$
 $= (1 - a)^n$

$\rightarrow F(y) = 1 - (1 - y)^n$

$\rightarrow f(y) = n(1 - y)^{n-1}$

Example

- Soo leaves home uniformly at random between 7:00 AM and 9:00 AM. Driving time to her work varies as follows.

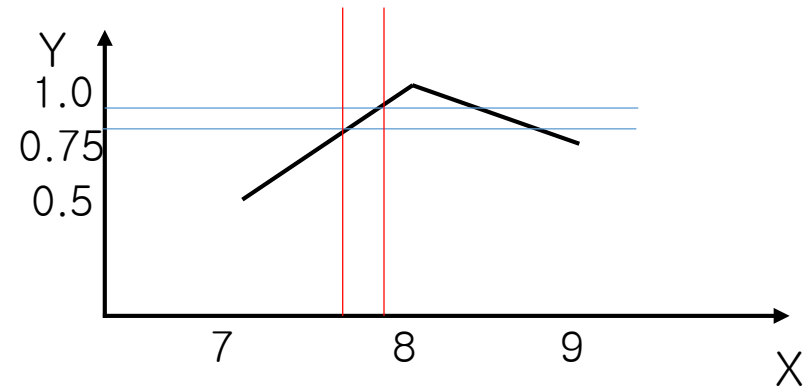
- Let X and Y be departure time and driving time, respectively

- Y increases from 0.5 hr to 1.0 hr

linearly as X increases from 7 to 8

- Then, Y decreases from 1 to 0.75

linearly as X increases from 8 to 9



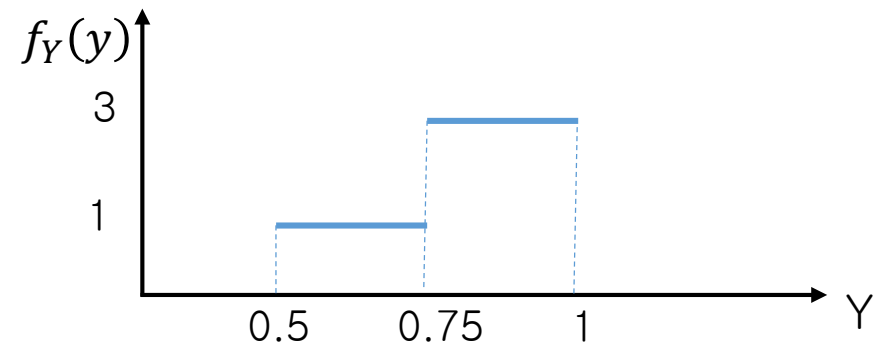
- Find the pdf of Y

- $X \sim U[7, 9]$

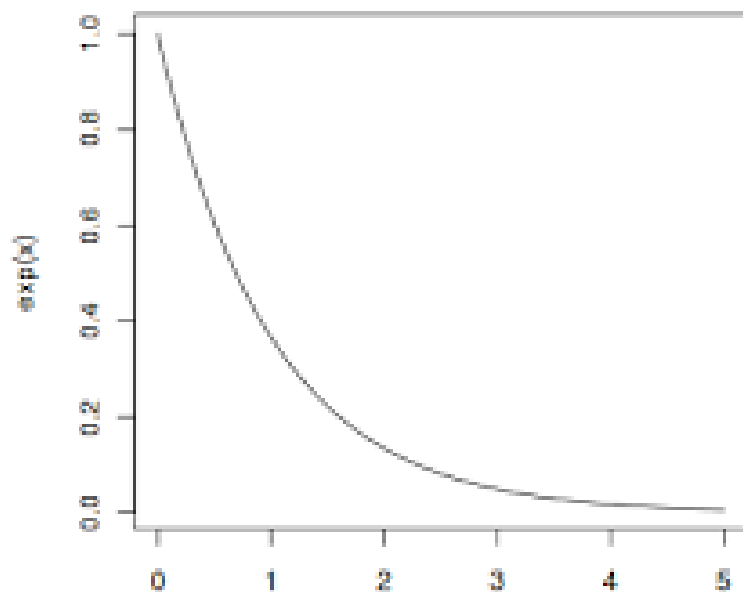
- $\Pr(y \leq Y \leq y + \delta) = (2\delta + 4\delta)/2 = 3\delta, 0.75 \leq y \leq 1.0$

- $\Pr(y \leq Y \leq y + \delta) = (2\delta)/2 = \delta, 0.5 \leq y \leq 0.75$

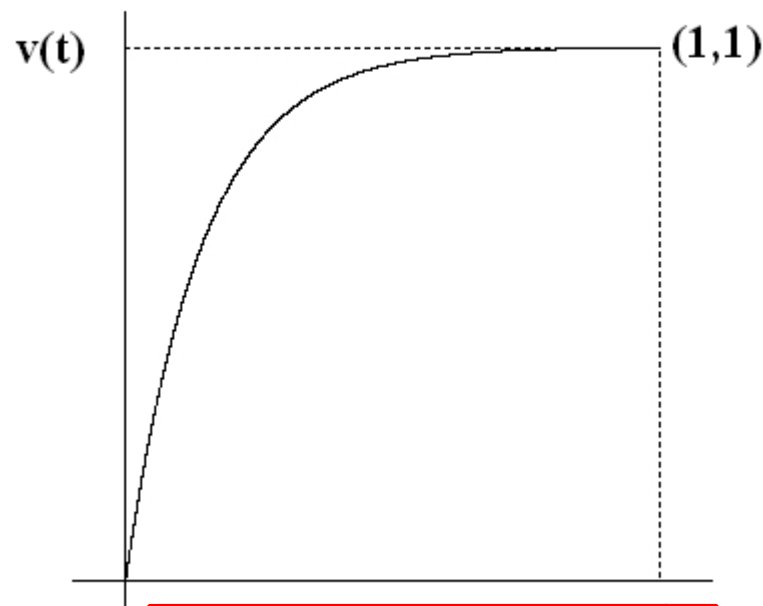
- $$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} 3, & 0.75 \leq y \leq 1.0 \\ 1, & 0.5 \leq y \leq 0.75 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



Exponential Distribution



$$f(x) = \theta e^{-\theta x}, x \geq 0$$



$$F(x) = 1 - e^{-\theta x}, x \geq 0$$

Random Variable $X \sim \text{Exp}(\theta)$

$$E[X] = \int_0^{\infty} x \cdot \theta e^{-\theta x} dx = 1/\theta$$

$$\text{Var}[X] = ??$$

Exponential Distribution

- **Memoryless property**

Let $X \sim \text{Exp}(\theta)$

Then $\Pr(X > s + t \mid X > t) = \Pr(X > s)$

Memoryless Discrete r.v.
Geometric distribution

- **Proof:**

$$\begin{aligned} - \Pr(X > s + t \mid X > t) &= \frac{\Pr(X > s + t)}{\Pr(X > t)} \\ &= \frac{1 - \Pr(X \leq s + t)}{1 - \Pr(X \leq t)} \\ &= \frac{e^{-\theta(t+s)}}{e^{-\theta t}} \\ &= e^{-\theta s} = \Pr(X > s) \end{aligned}$$

- **Example:**

- Suppose you are waiting for a bus whose inter-arrival time follows $\text{Exp}(0.1)$. Given that you already waited for five minutes, how long should you wait until the next bus on the average?

Exponential Distribution

• Lemma:

Let $X_i \sim \text{Exp}(\theta_i)$, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, are independent

And let $Y = \min(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$

→ Then $Y \sim \text{Exp}(\sum_{i=1}^n \theta_i)$ and $\Pr(Y=X_i) = \frac{\theta_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n \theta_i}$

• Proof:

– Prove for $n=2$

– X_1 and X_2 are independent

$$\rightarrow f(x_1, x_2) = \theta_1 e^{-\theta_1 x_1} \theta_2 e^{-\theta_2 x_2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{– } \Pr(\min(X_1, X_2) > x) &= \Pr(X_1 > x) \cdot \Pr(X_2 > x) \\ &= e^{-\theta_1 x} \cdot e^{-\theta_2 x} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{– } \Pr(X_1 < X_2) = \int_{x_2=0}^{\infty} \int_{x_1=0}^{x_2} f(x_1, x_2) dx_1, dx_2$$

Normal Random Variable

- $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$: Normal distribution w/ mean = μ and variance = σ^2
- $f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$
- Standard normal random variable
 - Normal random variable with mean = 0 and variance = 1
- Standardize
 - Suppose $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, then $Y = \frac{1}{\sigma} \cdot (X - \mu)$ is a normal r.v. with mean = 0 and variance = 1
 - $Y \sim N(0, 1)$

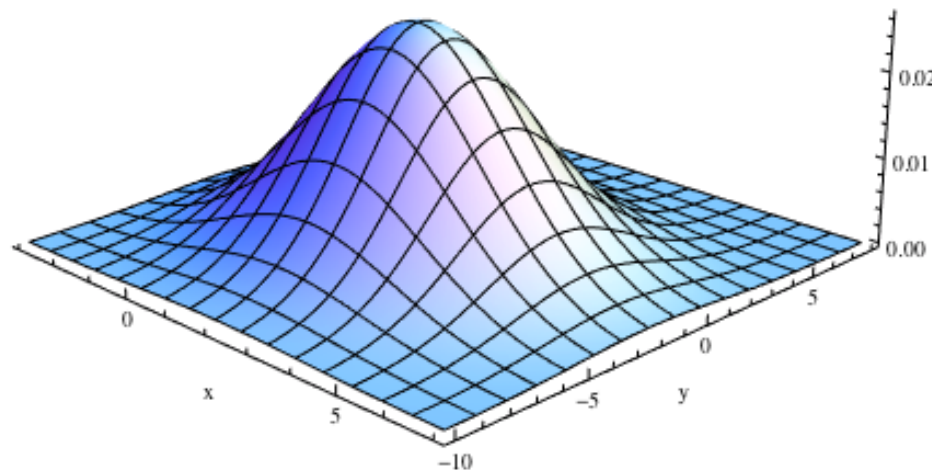
Joint & Marginal Dist.

- Joint Distribution of two continuous r.v. X and Y

$$F(x, y) = \Pr((X < x) \cap (Y < y))$$

$$f(x, y) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} F(x, y)$$

$$F(x, y) = \int_{-\infty}^y \int_{-\infty}^x f(u, v) du dv$$



- Marginal distribution/density functions

$$F_X(x) = F(x, \infty) = \Pr((X < x) \cap (Y < \infty))$$

$$f_X(x) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} F_X(x)$$

$$f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dy$$

Notation: May use random variables as subscript such as $F_{X,Y}(x, y)$, $f_X(x)$, to distinguish Joint & Marginal distributions

- Example:

- Let a, b are positives and let $F(x, y) = 1 - e^{-ax} - e^{-by} + e^{-(ax+by)}$,
for $x, y \geq 0$

$$f(x, y) = ab \cdot e^{-(ax+by)}$$

$$F_X(x) = F(x, \infty) = 1 - e^{-ax}$$

$$\text{OR, } F_X(x) = \int_0^x \int_0^\infty ab \cdot e^{-(au+bv)} du dv$$

● Independence

X and Y are independent if for all x and y,
 $\Pr((X < x) \cap (Y < y)) = \Pr(X < x) \cdot \Pr(Y < y)$

$$\rightarrow F(x, y) = F_X(x) \cdot F_Y(y)$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} F(x, y) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} F_X(x) \cdot F_Y(y) = f_X(x) \cdot f_Y(y)$$

● Example

$$- F(x, y) = 1 - e^{-ax} - e^{-by} + e^{-(ax+by)}, \text{ for } x, y \geq 0$$

Are X, Y independent?

Check if $F(x, y) = F_X(x) \cdot F_Y(y)$ (OR $f(x, y) = f_X(x) \cdot f_Y(y)$)

Conditional Distribution

- Note $\Pr(E|F) = \frac{\Pr(E \cap F)}{\Pr(F)}$

In case of discrete RV, $\Pr(F) > 0$
How about continuous case?

- $\Pr(X \leq 3 | Y=4) = \frac{\Pr((X \leq 3) \cap (Y=4))}{\Pr(Y=4)}$

Both denominator and numerator are zero \rightarrow Take the limit

- $\Pr(X \leq 3 | Y=4) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \Pr(X \leq 3 | 4 \leq Y \leq 4 + \delta)$
 $= \int_{u=-\infty}^3 \frac{f(u, 4)}{f_Y(4)} du$

- **Conditional density function:** $f_{X|Y}(x, y) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x, y)}{f_Y(y)}$

$$\rightarrow f_{X|Y}(x, y) \cdot f_Y(y) = f_{X,Y}(x, y) = f_{Y|X}(x, y) \cdot f_X(y)$$

$$\rightarrow f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dy = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X|Y}(x, y) \cdot f_Y(y) dy$$

$$\Pr(X \leq x | Y=y) = \int_{u=-\infty}^x \frac{f(u,y)}{f_Y(y)} du$$

● Example:

$$- F(x, y) = 1 - e^{-ax} - e^{-by} + e^{-(ax+by)}$$

$$\bullet \Pr(X \leq 3 | Y=4) = \int_{u=-\infty}^3 \frac{f(u,4)}{f_Y(4)} du = \int_{u=-\infty}^3 \frac{abe^{-(au+4b)}}{be^{-4b}} du = 1 - e^{-3a}$$

$$- f(x,y) = \begin{cases} c, & \text{if } 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1, y \leq x \\ 0, & \text{ow} \end{cases}$$

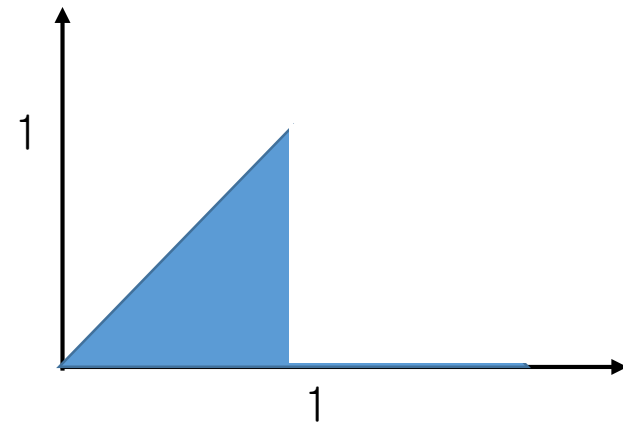
$$\bullet \text{From } \int_0^1 \int_0^x c \, dy dx = 1 \rightarrow c=2$$

$$\bullet f_{X|Y}(x, y) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)}$$

$$\bullet f_Y(y) = \int_y^1 2 \, dx = 2(1-y), \text{ for } 0 \leq y \leq 1$$

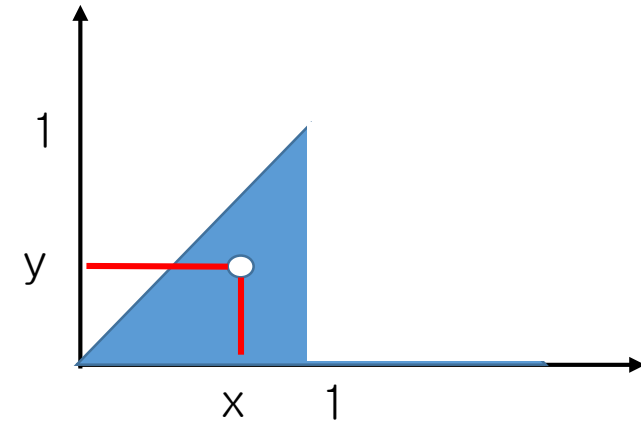
$$\bullet f_{X|Y}(x, y) = \frac{2}{2(1-y)} = \frac{1}{(1-y)}$$

$$\bullet f_X(x) = ?$$



Conditional Distribution

- For $0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1, x \leq y$
- $F_{X,Y}(x, y) = \Pr(X \leq x, Y \leq y)$
$$= 2 \left(y(x - y) + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) y^2 \right)$$
$$= 2xy - y^2$$

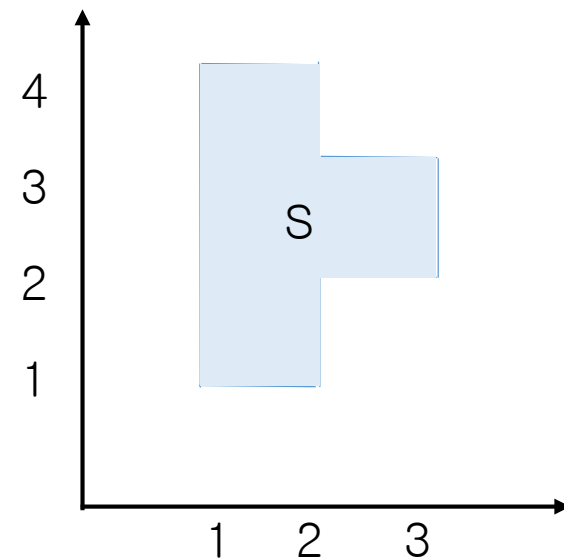


- $F_X(x) = F_{X,Y}(x, \infty) = F(x, x)$
$$= \Pr(X \leq x, Y \leq x) = x^2$$

$$\rightarrow f_X(x) = 2x$$

- $F_Y(y) = ?$

- $f_{X,Y}(x,y)$ is uniform over an area S
 - Let $f_{X,Y}(x,y) = c$, for $(x,y) \in S$
 - Since $\int \int_{(x,y) \in S} f_{X,Y}(x,y) = 1 \rightarrow c=1/4$
 - $f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4} dy = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4}, & 2 \leq x \leq 3 \\ \frac{3}{4}, & 1 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 0, & \text{ow} \end{cases}$
 - $f_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4} dx = ?$
 - $f_{X|Y=y}(x) = \frac{f(x,y)}{f_Y(y)} = \begin{cases} 1, & 3 \leq y \leq 4 \\ \frac{1}{2}, & 2 \leq x \leq 3 \\ 1, & 1 \leq x \leq 2 \end{cases}$



$$f_{Y|X=x}(y) = ?$$

Conditional Expectation

- $E[X|Y=y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \cdot f_{X|Y}(x) dx$

- Claim: $E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} E[X|Y=y] \cdot f_Y(y) dy$

- Proof

- $E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \cdot f_X(x) dx$
 $= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dy dx$
 $= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X|Y}(x|y) \cdot f_Y(y) dy dx$
 $= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \cdot f_{X|Y}(x|y) dx f_Y(y) dy$
 $= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} E[X|Y=y] \cdot f_Y(y) dy$

Bayes' Theorem

- Prior
 - Discrete / Continuous
- Likelihood(evidence, observation)
 - Discrete / Continuous
- Example of cases
 - DD: Find biased coin
 - Prior: Two coins, one fair and another biased($\Pr(H)=2/3$)
 - Likelihood: coin toss is H
 - DC: Signal (Radar) detection
 - Prior: Aircraft or Bird
 - Likelihood: Signal strength distributed as a Normal dist.
 - CD: Determine the $\Pr(H) \sim U[1/3, 2/3]$ of a biased coin
 - Prior: $X \sim U[1/3, 2/3]$
 - Likelihood: coin toss is H
 - CC: Engine lifetime (X), Time until an engine dies
 - $X \sim \text{Exp}(x)$
 - $X \sim U[a, b]$

Diagram illustrating Bayes' Theorem formula with labels and arrows:

- Posterior** (points to $\Pr(F | E)$)
- Likelihood** (points to $\Pr(E | F)$)
- Prior** (points to $\Pr(F)$)

$$\Pr(F | E) = \frac{\Pr(E | F)\Pr(F)}{\Pr(E)}$$

● Pareuse engine lifetime

- The engines are known to have an exponentially distributed lifetime, $Y \sim \text{Exp}(x) \Rightarrow f_{Y|X}(y|x) = x \cdot e^{-x \cdot y}$
- $X \sim U[10, 20] \Rightarrow f_X(x) = \frac{1}{10}$, for $10 \leq x \leq 20$
- Suppose an engine dies at 18 ($y = 18$)
- Compute $f_{X|Y}(x|y)$

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet f_{X|Y}(x|y) &= \frac{f_{Y|X}(y|x) \cdot f_X(x)}{f_Y(y)} \\ &= \frac{f_{Y|X}(y|x) \cdot f_X(x)}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{Y|X}(y|x) \cdot f_X(x) dx} \\ &= \frac{\left(\frac{1}{10}\right) x \cdot e^{-18x}}{\int_{10}^{20} \left(\frac{1}{10}\right) x \cdot e^{-18x} dx} \end{aligned}$$

- There are n possible causes

- $\Pr(X=i) = p_i$

- Observations $Y \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

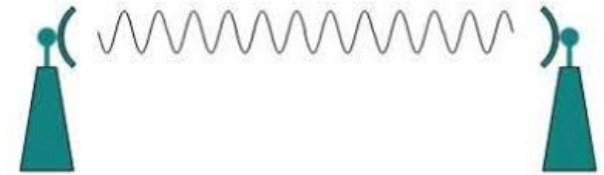
- $f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(y-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$

- $f_{Y|X=i}(y|i) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(y-\mu_i)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$

- Bayes' Theorem

- $\Pr(X=i \mid Y=y) \approx \Pr(X=i \mid y \leq Y \leq y + \delta)$
$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\Pr(X=i) \cdot \Pr(y \leq Y \leq y + \delta \mid X=i)}{\Pr(y \leq Y \leq y + \delta)} \\ &= \frac{\Pr(X=i) f_{Y|X=i}(y|i) \delta}{f_Y(y) \delta} \\ &= \frac{\Pr(X=i) f_{Y|X=i}(y|i)}{f_Y(y)} \\ &= \frac{\Pr(X=i) f_{Y|X=i}(y|i)}{\sum_i \Pr(X=i) f_{Y|X=i}(y|i)} \end{aligned}$$

DC Case Example



- Signal transmission

- A binary signal S (either ± 1) is transmitted
 - $\Pr(S=1) = p$, $\Pr(S=-1) = (1-p)$
- The signal is attenuated and the received signal is $Y=S+W$ where $W \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$
 - ➔ $Y \sim N(\pm 1, \sigma^2)$
- Assuming that $Y=y$, compute $\Pr(S=1 | Y=y)$

$$\begin{aligned}\bullet \Pr(S=1 | Y=y) &= \frac{\Pr(S=1)f_{Y|S}(y|S=1)}{f_Y(y)} \\ &= \frac{\Pr(S=1)f_{Y|S}(y|S=1)}{\Pr(S=1)f_{Y|S}(y|S=1) + \Pr(S=-1)f_{Y|S}(y|S=-1)} \\ &= \frac{\frac{p}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(y-1)^2}{2\sigma^2}}}{\frac{p}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(y-1)^2}{2\sigma^2}} + \frac{(1-p)}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(y+1)^2}{2\sigma^2}}} =\end{aligned}$$

- Estimating the probability of Heads

- Random variable X

- A coin is known to have prob. of Heads $\sim U[1/3, 2/3]$

- $f_X(x) = 3, 1/3 \leq x \leq 2/3$

- Flip the coin two times and the result is HH

- $$\begin{aligned} f_{X|HH}(x|HH) &= \frac{f_X(x)\Pr(HH|X=x)}{\Pr(HH)} \\ &= \frac{f_X(x)\Pr(HH|X=x)}{\int_{1/3}^{2/3} f_X(x) \Pr(HH|X=x) dx} \\ &= \end{aligned}$$

- Definition: **Stochastic counting process**

- $\{N(t); t \geq 0\}$ is stochastic counting process

- ① Non-negative: $N(t) \geq 0$

- ② Integer

- ③ Increasing: $N(t) \geq N(s)$ for all $t \geq s \geq 0$

- Definition: **Poisson Process**

- A Poisson Process with rate λ , $\{N(t); t \geq 0\}$, has the following properties

- ① **Stationary**: For any $s, t > 0$, $\Pr(N(t+s) - N(s) = a) = \Pr(N(t) = a)$

- ② **Independent**: For any disjoint intervals, $[t_1, t_2]$ and $[t_3, t_4]$, the distribution of $N(t_2) - N(t_1)$ is independent of the $N(t_4) - N(t_3)$

- ③ $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Pr(N(s+h) - N(s) = 1)}{h} = \lambda$

- ➔ Prob. an event occurs in a short interval t is approximately $\lambda \cdot t$

- ④ $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Pr(N(s+h) - N(s) \geq 2)}{h} = 0$

Poisson Process

• Theorem:

– Let $\{N(t); t \geq 0\}$ be a Poisson Process with rate λ

➔ Then for any $s, t > 0$ and for any integer n ,

$$P_n(t) = \Pr(N(s+t) - N(s) = n) = e^{-\lambda t} \frac{(\lambda t)^n}{n!}$$

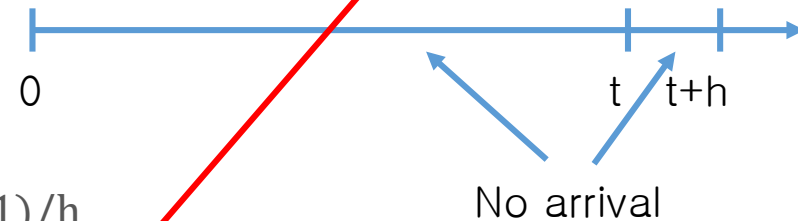
• Proof:

– We will use the properties ③ and ④

– First derive $P_0(t) = e^{-\lambda t}$

- $P_0(t+h) = P_0(t) \cdot P_0(h)$
- $P_0(t+h) - P_0(t) = P_0(t) \cdot (P_0(h) - 1)$
- $(P_0(t+h) - P_0(t))/h = P_0(t) \cdot (P_0(h) - 1)/h$
- $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (P_0(t+h) - P_0(t))/h = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} P_0(t) \cdot (P_0(h) - 1)/h$
- $P'_0(t) = P_0(t) \cdot (-\lambda)$
- $\frac{P'_0(t)}{P_0(t)} = -\lambda$
- Taking the integration on both sides, $\ln P_0(t) = -\lambda t + c$
- Taking exponentiation, $P_0(t) = e^{-\lambda t + c} \rightarrow P_0(t) = e^{-\lambda t}$ because $P_0(0) = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{3} \quad & \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Pr(N(h)=1)}{h} = \lambda \\ \textcircled{4} \quad & \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Pr(N(h) \geq 2)}{h} = 0 \end{aligned}$$



Poisson Process

• Proof – Cont.

– Now prove that $P_n(t) = e^{-\lambda t} \frac{(\lambda t)^n}{n!}$

- $P_n(t+h) = \sum_{k=0}^n P_{n-k}(t) \cdot P_k(h)$
- $P_n(t+h) = P_n(t) \cdot P_0(h) + P_{n-1}(t) \cdot P_1(h) + \dots$

- $P_n(t+h) - P_n(t) = P_n(t) \cdot (P_0(h) - 1) + P_{n-1}(t) \cdot P_1(h) + \dots$

- $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{P_n(t+h) - P_n(t)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} P_n(t) \frac{P_0(h) - 1}{h} + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} P_{n-1}(t) \frac{P_1(h)}{h} + \dots$

- $P'_n(t) = -\lambda \cdot P_n(t) + \lambda \cdot P_{n-1}(t) + 0 + \dots$

- $e^{\lambda t} (P'_n(t) + \lambda \cdot P_n(t)) = \lambda e^{\lambda t} \cdot P_{n-1}(t)$

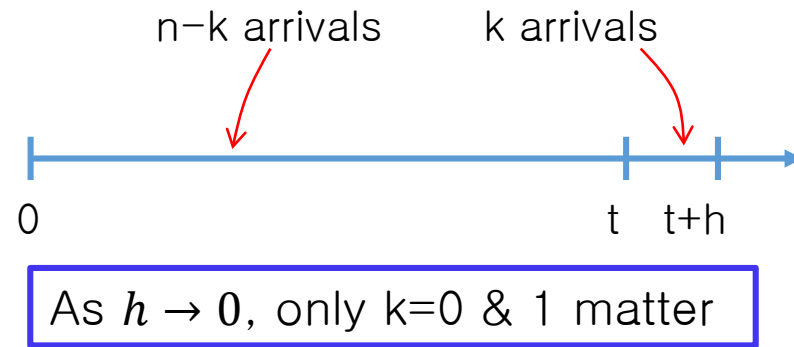
- $\frac{d}{dt} e^{\lambda t} \cdot P_n(t) = \lambda e^{\lambda t} \cdot P_{n-1}(t)$

- At $n=1$, $\frac{d}{dt} e^{\lambda t} \cdot P_1(t) = \lambda e^{\lambda t} \cdot P_0(t) = \lambda e^{\lambda t} \cdot e^{-\lambda t} = \lambda$

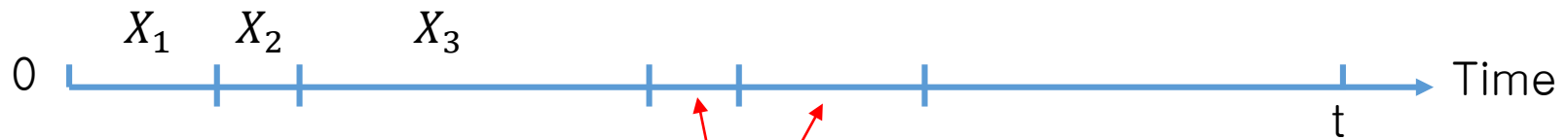
$\Rightarrow P_1(t) = (\lambda t + c) \cdot e^{-\lambda t}$

Finally, since $P_1(0) = 0$, $P_1(t) = \lambda t \cdot e^{-\lambda t}$

- By induction, we obtain $P_n(t) = e^{-\lambda t} \frac{(\lambda t)^n}{n!}$



Conditional Inter-arrival Time



Inter-arrival time of a Poisson process
with rate λ

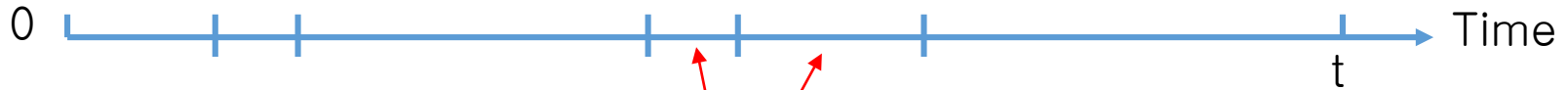
→ Exponential distribution

→ How about the distribution of the
inter-arrival time **GIVEN** that $N(T)=n$

- X_1 : time to the first event of a Poisson process with rate λ
- X_n : Time between $(n-1)$ -th and n -th events

- Theorem: X_1 has an exponential distribution with parameter λ
- Proof
 - $\Pr(X_1 > t) = \Pr(N(t)=0) = e^{-\lambda t}$
 - $F(X_1) = 1 - \Pr(X_1 > t) = 1 - e^{-\lambda t}$
- The random variables X_i are iid exponential random variables with parameter λ
- Proof
 - $\Pr(X_i > t \mid (X_1=t_1) \cap (X_2=t_2) \cap \dots \cap (X_{i-1}=t_{i-1}))$
 $= \Pr(N(\sum_{k=1}^{i-1} t_k + t) - N(\sum_{k=1}^{i-1} t_k) = 0)$
 $= e^{-\lambda t}$

Conditional Inter-arrival Time



Inter-arrival time of a Poisson process with rate λ

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→ How about the distribution of the inter-arrival time **GIVEN** that $N(T)=n$

- Surprisingly, n arrivals occur uniformly over the interval $[0, t]$ if conditioned on $N(t) = n$

→ From Lemma 8.3, expected interval between two consecutive arrivals is $1/(n+1)$

- For $n=1$, will show that probability that the only arrival occurs in $0 < s < t$ is s/t

$$\begin{aligned} - \Pr(X_1 < s \mid N(t) = 1) &= \frac{\Pr((X_1 < s) \cap (N(t) = 1))}{\Pr(N(t) = 1)} \\ &= \frac{\Pr((N(s) = 1) \cap (N(t) - N(s) = 0))}{\Pr(N(t) = 1)} = \frac{s}{t} \end{aligned}$$

Distribution function of $U[0, t]$

Conditional Inter-arrival Time

- Now, to prove that for general n
- Theorem:
 - Given that $N(t) = n$, the n arrival times have the same distribution of random variables of $U[0, t]$

- Proof: Sketch of the proof

- Consider two sets of random variables
- $\{X_i \sim U[0, t], \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$
- $\{Z_i: \text{arrival time of Poisson process, for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n, n + 1\}$

- To show, Distribution of n Uniform random variable, $U[0, t]$

Not ordered

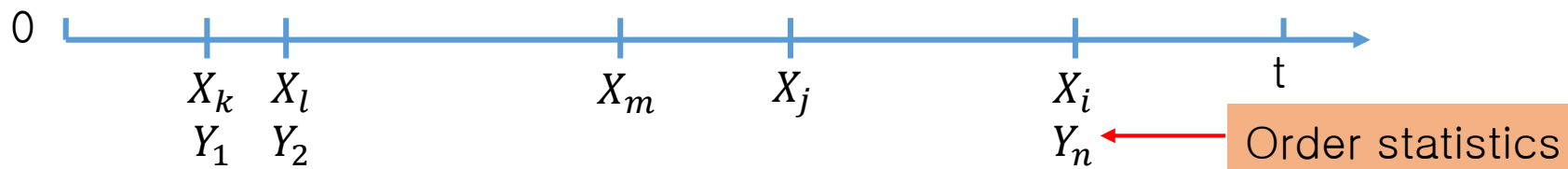


Distribution of n arrival times of Poisson process
given $N(t) = n$

Ordered

Conditional Inter-arrival Time

- Note that the joint distribution of n R.V. of $U[0, t]$ is $1/t^n$



Sum over all permutations

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \Pr(Y_1 < s_1, Y_2 < s_2, \dots, Y_n < s_n) \\
 & = \sum \Pr(X_1 < s_1, X_2 < s_2, \dots, X_n < s_n \mid X_1 < X_2 < \dots < X_n) \\
 & = \sum \Pr(X_1 < s_1, X_1 < X_2 < s_2, \dots, X_{n-1} < X_n < s_n)
 \end{aligned}$$

- Now, consider arrival times of a Poisson process
Let Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_{n+1} be the first $n+1$ arrival times

Prove that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \Pr(Z_1 < s_1, Z_2 < s_2, \dots, Z_n < s_n \mid N(t)=n) \\
 & = \Pr(Y_1 < s_1, Y_2 < s_2, \dots, Y_n < s_n)
 \end{aligned}$$

Continuous Time Markov Process

- Discrete Time MC: Transition occurs at discrete points
- Continuous Time Markov Process: Transitions occur at any time
- Definition: A continuous time random process $\{X_t \mid t \geq 0\}$ is Markovian if for all $s, t > 0$

$$\Pr(X(s+t) = x \mid X(u), 0 \leq u \leq t) = \Pr(X(s+t) = x \mid X(t))$$

The transition probability is independent of states before t

- Observations
 - Time to stay at state i before transit to other state has an exponential distribution $\text{Exp}(\theta_i)$
 - $P=(p_{ij})$: Transition probability matrix of Embedded MC
 - Splitting of Poisson process: Given that a transition occurs from state i , randomly transit to state j with probability p_{ij}

Stationary Distribution of CTMC

- As DTMC where stationary distribution $\pi_i = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_{ji}^n$, we define stationary distribution in CTMC $\pi_i = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} P_{ji}(t)$

- From the following equation

$$\begin{aligned}
 - P'_{ji}(t) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{P_{ji}(t+h) - P_{ji}(t)}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sum_k P_{jk}(t) \cdot P_{ki}(h) - P_{ji}(t)}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sum_{k \neq i} P_{jk}(t) \cdot \boxed{P_{ki}(h)}}{h} - \frac{1 - P_{ii}(h)}{h} P_{ji}(t) \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\theta_k \cdot h \cdot p_{ki}$$

$$= \sum_k P_{jk}(t) \cdot \theta_k \cdot p_{ki} - \theta_i \cdot P_{ji}(t)$$

- Taking limit on both sides & $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} P'_{ji}(t) = 0$

$$\pi_i \theta_i = \sum_k \pi_k \theta_k p_{ki}$$

Rate of transition out of state i

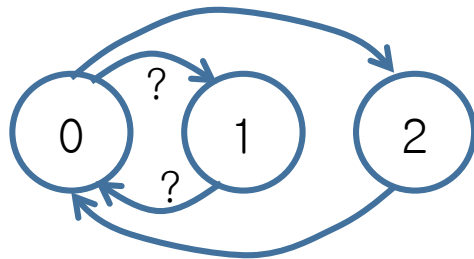
Rate of transition into state i

Markovian Queues

- Queueing system notation $A/B/n$
- A: Arrival process characteristics
 - M: Memoryless(Markovian), D: Deterministic, G: General, ..
- B: Departure process, Service process characteristics
- n: Number of servers
- State: Number of customers in the system
 - State changes from j to $j+1$ when a new customer arrives
 - State changes from j to $j-1$ if the customer who is receiving the service completes her service
- Queueing system is Markovian if both arrival and departure processes are Poisson processes
 - Combining of two Poisson processes is Poisson

M/M/1 Queue

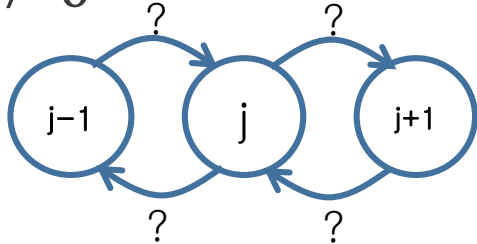
- Arrival is Poisson process with rate λ
- Service time has Exponential distribution, $\text{Exp}(\mu)$
- $M(t)$: # customers in the system
 - # customers waiting for their turns + One who is receiving the service
- $\{M(t): t \geq 0\}$, CTMC
- At $j = 0$,



- Transition from 0 to 2: Two arrivals in a short time h
- Transition from 2 to 0: Two service completions in a short time h
- Transition from 0 to 1: Arrival according to Poisson with rate λ
- Transition from 1 to 0: Service completion (Poisson) with rate μ

M/M/1 Queue

- At $j \neq 0$



- Combining of two Poisson processes, arrival and departure
 - Rate = $(\lambda + \mu)$
 - Probability that event is arrival = $\lambda/(\lambda + \mu)$

- Apply to equation $\pi_i \theta_i = \sum_k \pi_k \theta_k p_{ki}$

- At $i = 0$,

$$\pi_0 \theta_0 = \pi_0 \theta_0 p_{00} + \pi_1 \theta_1 p_{10}$$

- At $i \neq 0$,

$$\pi_i \theta_i = \pi_{i-1} \theta_{i-1} p_{i-1,i} + \pi_i \theta_i p_{ii} + \pi_{i+1} \theta_{i+1} p_{i+1,i}$$

M/M/1 Queue

- From the equations, we obtain $\pi_k = (1 - \lambda/\mu)(\lambda/\mu)^k$

- N: Expected number of customers in the system

$$\begin{aligned} - N &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k \cdot \pi_k \\ &= \frac{\lambda}{\mu - \lambda} \end{aligned}$$

Note that N is independent of scheduling algorithms such as FIFO, FILO

- T: Expected time spent in the system for FIFO scheduling

- L(k): Event that the new customer finds k customers are already in the system

$$\begin{aligned} - T &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} E[T | L(k)] \cdot \Pr(L(k)) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{k+1}{\mu} \cdot (1 - \lambda/\mu)(\lambda/\mu)^k \\ &= N/\lambda \end{aligned}$$

$$\Pr(L(k)) = \pi_k$$

PASTA: Poisson Arrivals See Time Average
Wolff, Operations Research, 1982

Little's Theorem

- $N = \lambda T$

- Powerful tool

- Can be applied to any queueing system regardless of arrival/departure processes, service disciplines, ...

- Sketch of the proof

For large observation time, T

$$N = \frac{1}{T} \cdot \int_{t=0}^T N(t) dt \approx \frac{1}{T} \cdot (T_1 + T_2 + \dots + T_{A(T)})$$

