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## \* Poisson distribution

Let  $x(t)$  be no. of taxis arriving at a particular location in time  $t$ .

Let  $i$  be the point of carpool/ride-sharing position.

— Necessary conditions of taxi sharing:

1.)  $x(0) = 0$

2.) P[having taxi in  $t \rightarrow (t+h)$ ] is independent of  $t$  i.e.  $x(t)$  is independent stationary increment process

— 3.)  $x(t)$  satisfies:

$$P[x(t+h) - x(t) = 1] = \lambda h + o(h)$$

$$P[x(t+h) - x(t) \geq 2] = o(h)$$

where  $o(h)$  is limit applicable function where its value is less than  $h$  when  $h$  tends to 0.

Now, probability that there are  $n$  taxis in car pool position in time  $t$  will be,

$$P_n(t) = P\{x(t) = n\} = P\{x(t) - x(0) = n\}$$

From (2) (3),

$$\begin{aligned} P_0(t+h) &= P\{x(t+h) = 0\} \\ &= P\{x(t) - x(0) = 0\} \\ &= P_0(t) [1 - \lambda h + o(h)] \end{aligned}$$

As  $h \rightarrow 0$ ,

$$P_0(t+h) = P_0(t) [1 - \lambda h]$$

$$\therefore P_0(t+h) - P_0(t) = -\lambda P_0(t)h$$

$$\therefore \frac{P_0(t+h) - P_0(t)}{h} = -\lambda P_0(t)$$

$$\therefore \frac{dP_0(t)}{dt} = -\lambda P_0(t)$$

$$\therefore \frac{dP_0(t)}{P_0(t)} = -\lambda dt$$

Integrating both sides,

$$\log_e(P_0(t)) = -\lambda t$$

$$\therefore P_0(t) = e^{-\lambda t}$$

Similarly,  $P_1(t) = \lambda t e^{-\lambda t}$

Now, we'll apply principle of mathematical induction, we'll have;

$$\therefore P_k = \frac{e^{-\lambda x} (\lambda x)^k}{k!}$$

→ Poisson process