



Performance Modeling of Computer Systems and Networks

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Continuous Random Variates: applications

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Noi modelliamo processo arrivi e processo servizi.

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For our application framework, we will look at:

- arrival process model
- service process model

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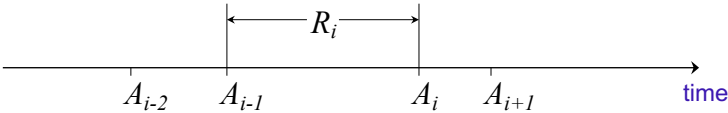
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In particolare processi di interrarrivo, siamo partiti da una sequenza random R_1, R_2, R_3 e considerando poi i tempi di arrivo come di seguito:

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Arrival process model

- Model *interarrival* times as RV sequence R_1, R_2, R_3, \dots
- Construct corresponding arrival times A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots defined by
 $A_0 = 0$ and $A_i = A_{i-1} + R_i \quad i=1, 2, \dots$
- by induction, $A_i = R_1 + R_2 + \dots + R_i \quad i=1, 2, \dots$
- since $R_i > 0$, $0 = A_0 < A_1 < A_2 < A_3 < \dots$



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Gli arrivi sono ordinati in ordine crescente per costruzione (sommo valori positivi). Questo è alla base della costruzione di ssq2 ed ssq3

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Example

(descritti come sopra)

- programs `ssq2` and `ssq3` generate job arrivals in this way, where R_1, R_2, R_3, \dots are *Exponential*($1/\lambda$). $E[R_i] = \frac{1}{\lambda} \rightarrow$ PROCESSO STAZIONARIO DI TASSO " λ ".
 In both programs, the arrival rate is equal to $\lambda = 0.5$ jobs per unit time

```
double GetArrival()
{ static double arrival = START;
  SelectStream(0);
  arrival += Exponential(2.0);
  return (arrival);}
```

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Nel caso dell'inventory system, invece di generare un numero di richieste di arrivo, e spalmarlo flat in un tempo, generavo istanze di domande, generando tempo interarrivo come esponenziale e sommando.

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Example

- programs `sis3` and `sis4` generate demand instances in this way, with $\text{Exponential}(1/\lambda)$ interdemand times.
 - The demand rate corresponds to an average of
 - $\lambda = 30.00$ actual demands per time interval in `sis3`
 - $\lambda = 120.00$ potential demands per time interval in `sis4`

```
double GetDemand(long *amount)
double GetDemand(void)
/*
 * generate a demand instance with rate 120
 * generate the next demand instance (time) with rate 30 per time
 * and generate a corresponding demand amount
 * interval and exactly one unit of demand per demand instance
 */
{
  static double time = START;
  static double time = START;

  SelectStream(0);
  SelectStream(0);
  time += Exponential(1.0 / 120.0); /* demand instance */
  SelectStream(2);
  return (time);
  *amount = Geometric(0.2); /* demand amount */
}
return (time);
}
```

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In generale, indipendentemente dal caso particolare, un processo di arrivi stazionario (media arrivo $1/\lambda$ mantenuto anche se vado a infinito), lo posso costruire come già fatto: prendo sequenza interarrivi positivi, ma sono variabili random indipendenti e identicamente distribuite.

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Def stationary arrival process

If R_1, R_2, R_3, \dots is an iid sequence of positive interarrival times with $E[R_i] = 1/\lambda > 0$, then the corresponding sequence of arrival times A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots is a stationary arrival process with rate λ

- also known as
 - Renewal processes
 - Homogeneous arrival processes
- arrival rate λ has units "arrivals per unit time"
 - If average interarrival time is 0.1 minutes,
 - then the arrival rate is 10 arrivals per minute
- stationary arrival processes are "convenient fiction"
 - important theoretically
 - good approximation
 - understand for nonstationary
- If the arrival rate λ varies with time, the arrival process is nonstationary

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Nella realtà non è detto che il processo arrivo sia stazionario, è più reale un non stazionario, nel tempo varia (aerei che volano di meno nella notte). Noi ci limitiamo a vedere gli stazionari, soprattutto in termini di difficoltà.

All'inizio sono partito con arrivi random, e assunto poi fossero esponenziali.

In realtà ciò che succede è che, partendo da cose random con interarrivi esponenziali, considero arrivi di Poisson, con istanti di arrivi di Poisson che sono delle Erlang!

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stationary Poisson arrival process

- As in ssq2, ssq3, sis3, sis4, with **lack of information** it is usually most appropriate to assume that the interarrival times are *Exponential*($1/\lambda$)
- If R_1, R_2, R_3, \dots is an iid sequence of *Exponential*($1/\lambda$) interarrival times, the corresponding sequence A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots of arrival times is a stationary *Poisson* arrival process with rate λ . Equivalently, for $i=1, 2, 3, \dots$, the arrival time A_i is an *Erlang*($i, 1/\lambda$) random variable

$A_i = R_1 + R_2 + \dots + R_i$

Sequenza "Poisson"
singolo ARRIVO

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che relazione c'è tra arrivi random(=uniformi), esponenziali e poisson? considero intervallo fisso di lunghezza 't', con 'n' arrivi, in questo tempo prendo random un sottointervallo di lunghezza 'r'

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Random Arrivals

We now demonstrate the interrelation between Uniform, Exponential and Poisson random variables.

Consider:

- $t > 0$, defines a fixed time interval $(0, t)$
- n represents the number of arrivals in the interval $(0, t)$
- $r > 0$, is the length of a small subinterval located at random interior to $(0, t)$

Correspondingly:

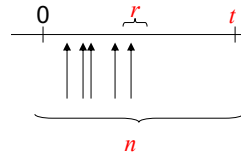
- $\lambda = n / t$ is the arrival rate
- $p = r / t$ is the probability that a particular arrival will be in the subinterval
- $np = nr / t = \lambda r$ is the expected number of arrivals in the subinterval

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random arrivals → Poisson

Theorem 1

Let:

- A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots be an iid sequence of *Uniform*(0, t) random variables ("unsorted" arrivals).
- the discrete random variable X be the number of A_i that fall in a fixed subinterval of length $r = pt$ interior to $(0, t)$

If n is large and r/t small, X is indistinguishable from a *Poisson*(λr) random variable with $\lambda = n/t$

'X' mi conta gli A_i che cadono in quell'intervallo.

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Conclusions on random arrivals

- if many arrivals occur at random with a rate of λ , the number of arrivals X that will occur in an interval of length r is *Poisson*(λr)
- The probability of x arrivals in an interval with length r is

$$Pr(X = x) = \frac{e^{-\lambda r} (\lambda r)^x}{x!} \quad x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

- The probability of no arrivals is: $Pr(X = 0) = e^{-\lambda r}$
- The probability of at least one arrival is

$$Pr(X > 0) = 1 - Pr(X = 0) = 1 - e^{-\lambda r} \quad (\text{complemento ad } 1)$$

For a fixed λ , the probability of at least one arrival increases with increasing interval length r

(se $x \nearrow$ allora ho intervallo maggiore e "più probabilità".)

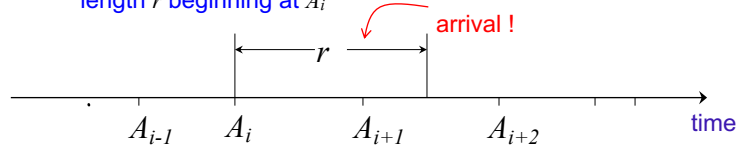
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Random Arrivals → Exponential Interarrivals

- If R represents the time between consecutive arrivals, the possible values of R are $r > 0$
- Consider arrival time A_i selected at random and an interval of length r beginning at A_i



- $R = A_{i+1} - A_i$ will be less than r iff there is at least one arrival in this interval
- the cdf of R is

$$\Pr(R \leq r) = \Pr(\text{at least one arrival in } r) = 1 - e^{-\lambda r}$$
- R is an *Exponential*($1/\lambda$) random variable

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Theorem 2

If arrivals occur at random with rate λ , the corresponding interarrival times form an iid sequence of *Exponential*($1/\lambda$) RVs.

This result justifies the use of *Exponential* interarrival times in programs `ssq2`, `ssq3`, `sis3`, `sis4`

- If we know only that arrivals occur at random with a constant rate λ , the function `GetArrival` in `ssq2` and `ssq3` is appropriate
- If we know only that demand instances occur at random with a constant rate λ , the function `GetDemand` in `sis3` and `sis4` is appropriate

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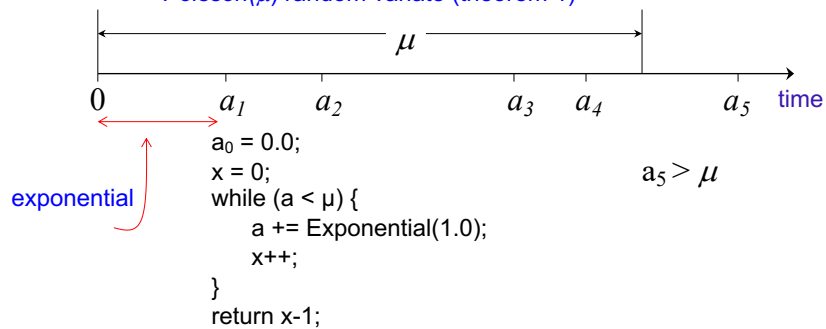
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Generating Poisson random variates

Observation:

- If arrivals occur at random with rate $\lambda=1$
- the number of arrivals X in an interval of length μ will be a $Poisson(\mu)$ random variate (theorem 1)



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Posso generare Poisson così:

Generando variabili uniformi in $(0, t)$ e ordinarle OPPURE, come nell'algoritmo 1, contando gli $a(i)$ (nell'esempio ne ho 4)

Summary of Poisson arrival processes

Given a fixed time interval $(0, t)$, there are two ways of generating a realization of a stationary Poisson arrival process with rate λ

1. Generate the number of arrivals: $n = Poisson(\lambda t)$
Generate a $Uniform(0, t)$ random variate sample of size n and sort to form $0 < a_1 < a_2 < a_3 < \dots < a_n$
 2. use algorithm 1 with $Exponential(1/\lambda t)$
- Statistically, the two approaches are equivalent
 - The first approach is computationally more expensive, especially for large n
 - The second approach is always preferred

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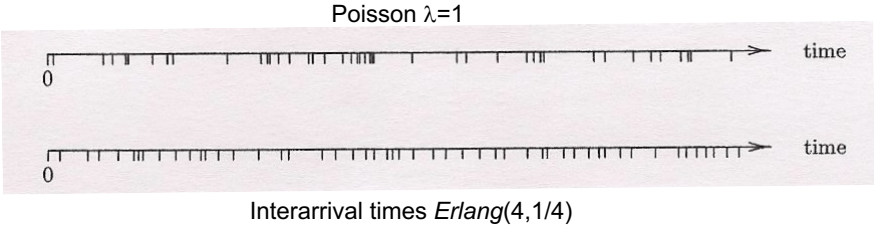
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La moda è valore più probabile, nell'esponenziale è 0, che è anche un tempo di interarrivo.
Allora dovrebbero essere molto probabili arrivi simultanei (non visti). Cioè se vedo interarrivi di Poisson ho comportamenti a cluster, mentre se vedo i singoli interarrivi, l'aspetto 'cluster' si vede molto meno.

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Summary of Poisson arrival processes

- The *mode* of the exponential distribution is 0
→ A stationary Poisson arrival process exhibits "clustering"



Interarrival times $Erlang(4, 1/4)$

The stationary Poisson arrival process generalizes to

- a stationary arrival process when exponential interarrival times are replaced by any continuous RV with positive support
- a nonstationary Poisson arrival process when λ varies over time

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Nel confronto hanno stessa media. Ovviamente devo considerare la varianza (che è diversa), questo viene dal fatto che la moda dell'esponenziale è 0.

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Per i servizi ho solo linee guida, non posso dire che siano random semplicemente come nel caso degli arrivi.

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Service Process Models

differently from the case of arrival processes, there are no well-defined “default”, only application-dependent **guidelines**:

- *Uniform*(a, b) service times are usually inappropriate since they rarely “cut off” at a maximum value b
- Service times are positive, so they cannot be *Normal*(μ, σ) unless truncated to positive values
- Positive probability models “with tails”, such as the *Lognormal*(a, b) distribution, are candidates
- If service times are the sum of n iid *Exponential*(b) sub-task times, then the *Erlang*(n, b) model is appropriate

- jobs UNIX
- web file size
- Internet topology
- IP packet flow
- ...

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Program ssq4

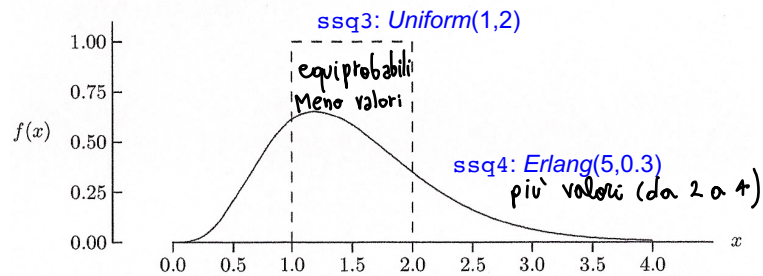
- *ssq4* is based on program *ssq3*, but with a more realistic *Erlang*(5, 0.3) service time model
The corresponding service rate is 2/3
- As in program *ssq3*, *ssq4* uses *Exponential*(2) random variate interarrivals.
The corresponding arrival rate is 1/2

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Example

- For both `ssq3` and `ssq4`, the arrival rate is $\lambda=0.5$ and the service rate is $\nu=2/3 \approx 0.667$
- The distribution of service times for two programs is very different



first conjecture how the steady-state statistics will differ for these two programs and then investigate the correctness of your conjecture via discrete-event simulation

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Example

- suppose using a `Normal(1.5,2.0)` random variable to model service times
- Truncate distribution so that
 - Service times are non-negative ($a=0$)
 - Service times are less than 4 ($b=4$)

```
 $\alpha = \text{cdfNormal}(1.5, 2.0, a);$       /* a is 0.0 */
 $\beta = 1.0 - \text{cdfNormal}(1.5, 2.0, b);$  /* b is 4.0 */
```

- the result: $\alpha = 0.2266$ and $\beta = 0.1056$

NB

the truncated `Normal(1.5,2.0)` random variable has a mean of 1.85 (not 1.5) and a standard deviation of 1.07 (not 2.0)

Why is the mean increased?????

perché ho Troncato
(togliendo < 0)

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Constrained Inversion

once α and β are determined, the corresponding truncated random variate can be generated by using constrained inversion

```
u = Uniform( $\alpha$ , 1.0 -  $\beta$ );  
return  $F^{-1}(u)$ ;
```

Exercise:

- generate n truncated random variates;
- compute sample mean and standard deviation (by Welford)
- verify for which n the statistics converge to the theoretical values

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Example (cont.)

- The idf capability in `rvms` can be used to generate the *truncated Normal*(1.5,2.0) RV

```
 $\alpha$  = 0.2266274;  
 $\beta$  = 0.1056498;  
u = Uniform( $\alpha$ , 1.0 -  $\beta$ );  
return idfNormal(1.5, 2.0, u);
```

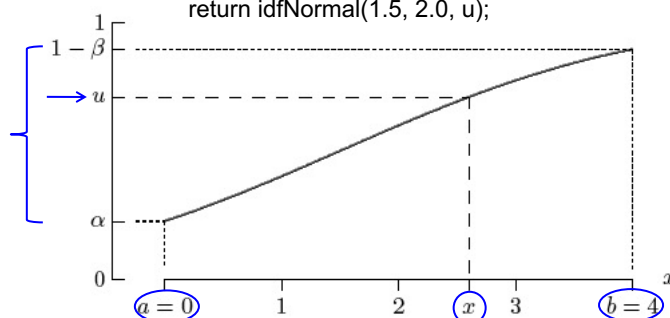


Figure shows $u=0.7090$ and $x=2.601$

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Exercises

- Exercise 7.3.1