

Last Time: Poisson Processes have 3 equivalent descriptions.

[Not tested on non-homogeneous.]

i) IID interarrival times $\{X_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$

$$X_i \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda), f_{X_i}(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x} \mathbf{1}\{x \geq 0\}$$

ii) Arrival Epochs $\{S_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$, ($S_{i+1} > S_i$)

$$S_1 = X_1, S_2 = X_1 + X_2, \dots, S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

$$X_i = S_i - S_{i-1}, i \geq 2. \quad \text{cts time}$$

iii) Poisson counting process $\{N(t): t > 0\}$

$$N(t) := \# \text{ of arrivals in } (0, t]$$

$$N(t) = n \Leftrightarrow S_n \leq t < S_{n+1}$$

Thm: For a Poisson process $\text{Poi}(\lambda)$, for any $t > 0$,

i) the length of the interval from t to the next arrival, denoted as $Z = Z_1$, is

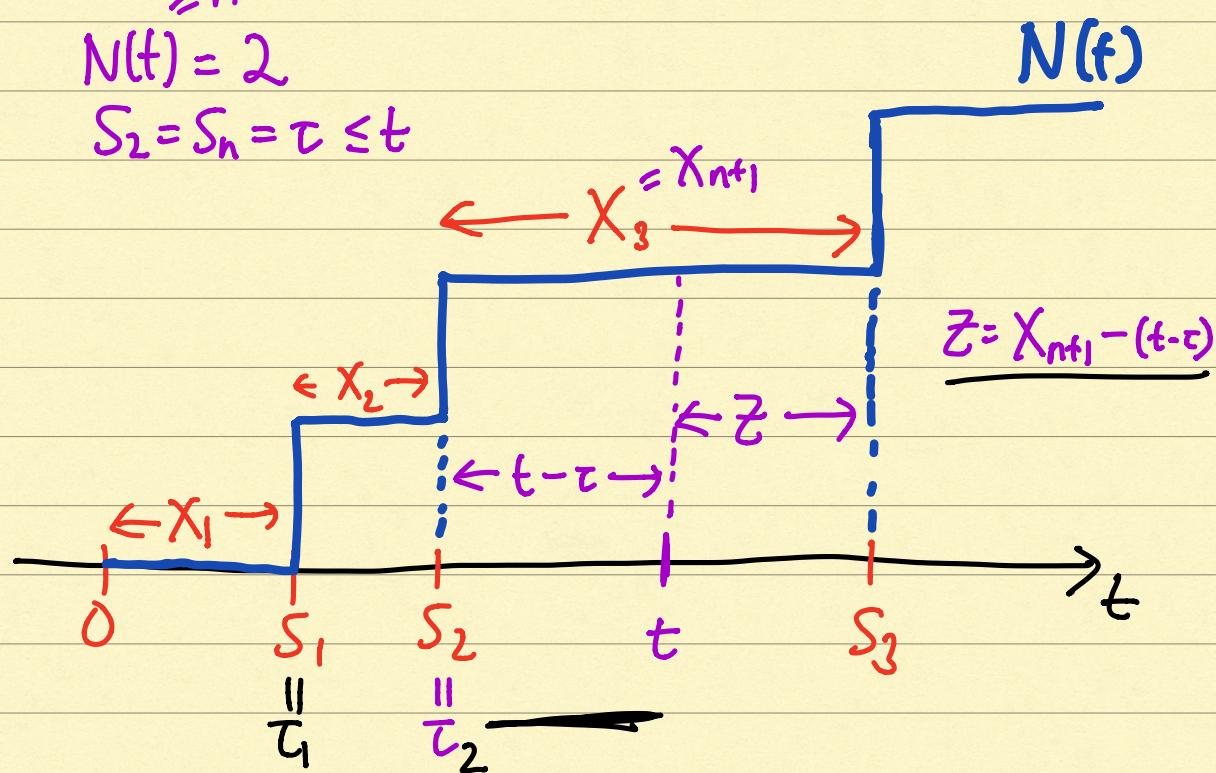
Exp(λ)

ii)

Furthermore $Z \perp\!\!\!\perp N(t) \text{ &}$
 $Z \perp\!\!\!\perp S_1, S_2, \dots, S_{N(t)}$
 $Z \perp\!\!\!\perp \{N(\tau) : 0 < \tau \leq t\}.$

$$N(t) = 2^{\textcolor{violet}{n}}$$

$$S_2 = S_n = \tau \leq t$$



Condition $Z = Z_1$ on $N(t) = n$ & $S_n = \tau \leq t$.

$$P_r(Z > z | N(t) = n, S_n = \tau)$$

$$= P_r(X_{n+1} - (t - \tau) > z | N(t) = n, S_n = \tau)$$

$$= P_r(X_{n+1} > z + (t - \tau) | N(t) = n, S_n = \tau)$$

$$\boxed{= P_r(X_{n+1} > z + (t - \tau) | X_{n+1} > t - \tau, S_n = \tau)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= \Pr(X_{n+1} > z + (\cancel{t} - \cancel{z}) \mid X_{n+1} > \cancel{t} - \cancel{z}) \\ &= \Pr(X_{n+1} > z) = e^{-\lambda z} \end{aligned}$$

Given $S_n = \tau \leq t$, $\{N(t) = n\} = \{X_{n+1} > t - z\}$

$\{X_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$ are iid. & $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ ($X_{n+1} \perp \!\! \! \perp (X_1, \dots, X_n)$)

By memorylessness of X_{n+1} .

$$\Pr(z > z \mid N(t) = n, S_n = \tau) = e^{-\lambda z}.$$

Consider

$$\Pr(z > z \mid N(t) = n, S_1 = \tau_1, \dots, S_n = \tau_n) = e^{-\lambda z}.$$

But $\{N(t) = n, S_1 = \tau_1, \dots, S_n = \tau_n\}$ describes the entire process up to & incl. time t
i.e., $\{N(\tau) : 0 < \tau \leq t\}$.

$$\Pr(z > z \mid \{N(\tau) : 0 < \tau \leq t\}) = e^{-\lambda z}$$

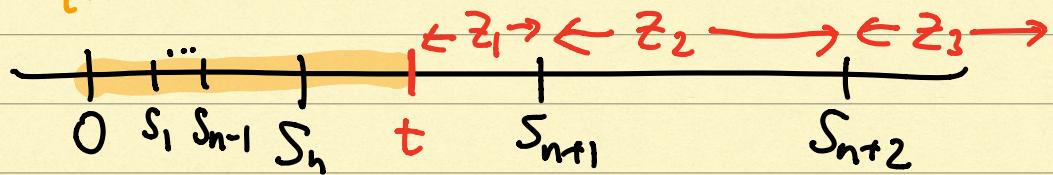
\Rightarrow By integrating or averaging over $\{N(\tau) : \tau \leq t\}$
we get

$$\Pr(z > z) = e^{-\lambda z} \quad (i)$$

$$z_1 \perp\!\!\!\perp \{N(\tau) : \tau \leq t\} \quad (\text{ii}).$$

Stationary Inc. property (SIP)

$$\{N(\tau) : \tau \leq t\}$$



z_m : Time from $(m-1)^{\text{st}}$ arrival after t to m^{th} arrival
 $z_1 = \text{time from } t \text{ to } S_{n+1}$

Fact: $X_{n+m} = z_m$, $m \geq 2$. $\sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$

Conditioned on $N(t) = n$, $S_n = t$, z_1, \dots, z_n, \dots IID.
 $\text{Exp}(\lambda)$ rvs.

By conditioning S_1, \dots, S_n (as was done above)
we see that $\{z_i\}_{i=1}^n$ are unconditionally IID.

Poisson process starting at t is a probabilistic replica of the process starting at 0.

$$t' > t > 0 \quad N(t') - N(t) \stackrel{d}{=} N(t' - t)$$



Def: A counting process $\{N(t): t > 0\}$ has the SIP if

$$N(t') - N(t) \stackrel{d}{=} N(t' - t) \quad \forall 0 \leq t < t'$$

$$X \stackrel{d}{=} Y \Leftrightarrow P(X \leq z) = P(Y \leq z) \quad \forall z.$$

Thm: The Poisson counting has the SIP.

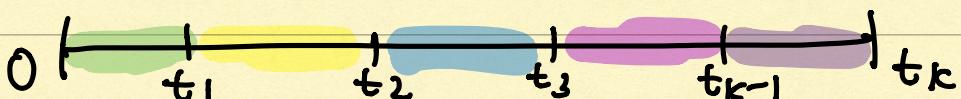
Notation: $\tilde{N}(t, t') := N(t') - N(t)$

Denotes the # of arrivals $(t, t']$

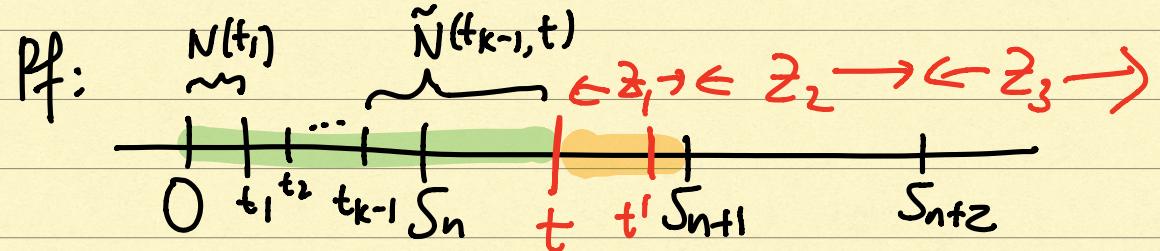
Def: A counting $\{N(t): t > 0\}$ has the independent increment prop. (IIP) if $\forall k$

$$\forall 0 < t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_k$$

$N(t_1), \tilde{N}(t_1, t_2), \tilde{N}(t_2, t_3), \dots, \tilde{N}(t_{k-1}, t_k)$
are independent. \leftarrow are indep



Thm: The Poisson has the IIP.



$$z_1 \perp\!\!\!\perp \{N(\tau) : 0 < \tau \leq t\}$$

$$z_1 \perp\!\!\!\perp (N(t_1), \tilde{N}(t_1, t_2), \dots, \tilde{N}(t_{k-1}, t))$$

But z_1, z_2, z_3, \dots are IID.

$$\tilde{N}(t, t') \perp\!\!\!\perp (N(t_1), \tilde{N}(t_1, t_2), \dots, \tilde{N}(t_{k-1}, t))$$

Rename $t = t_k$, $t' = t_{k+1}$

$$\tilde{N}(t_k, t_{k+1}) \perp\!\!\!\perp (N(t_1), \tilde{N}(t_1, t_2), \dots, \tilde{N}(t_{k-1}, t_k))$$

This is true $\forall k$ & \forall times $t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_{k+1}$
the Poisson counting proc. $\{N(t) : t \geq 0\}$ has
the IIP.

Distribution of S_n : n^{th} arrival epoch.

$$\underline{S_2 = X_1 + X_2} \quad \{X_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty} \text{ IID } \text{Exp}(\lambda)$$

$$X_1 = S_1, \quad S_2 = X_1 + X_2. \quad \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow[X_1=S_1]{X_2} \\ \hline S_2 \end{array}$$

$$f_{X_1, S_2}(x_1, s_2) = f_{X_1}(x_1) f_{S_2|X_1}(s_2|x_1)$$

$$= \lambda e^{-\lambda x_1} f_{X_2}(s_2 - x_1)$$

$$s_2 \geq x_1$$

$$= \lambda e^{-\lambda x_1} \lambda e^{-\lambda (s_2 - x_1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow f_{X_1, S_2}(x_1, s_2) = \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda s_2}, \quad 0 \leq x_1 \leq s_2.$$

Rmk: This density doesn't depend on x_1 .

$\Rightarrow X_1$ is unif over $[0, s_2]$ if $S_2 = s_2$.

(Will discuss more abt this when we discuss
conditional arrival densities)

$$f_{S_2}(s_2) = \int_{x_1=0}^{s_2} f_{X_1, S_2}(x_1, s_2) dx_1$$

$$|| \quad X_1 + X_2 = \int_0^{s_2} \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda x_1} dx_1 = \lambda s_2 e^{-\lambda s_2}$$

$$s_2 \in [0, \infty)$$

This is the Erlang density of order 2 with rate λ . Erlang(2, λ)

Rmk: Erlang(1, λ) = Exp(λ)

Rmk: Check the above via convolution & MGFs.

$$\text{Thm: } f_{S_n}(s_n) = \frac{\lambda^n s_n^{n-1} e^{-\lambda s_n}}{(n-1)!}, \quad s_n \geq 0$$

\nearrow
 n^{th} arrival epoch

Rmk: This is true for $n=1$ & $n=2$

$$\begin{aligned} &\lambda e^{-\lambda s_1}, s_1 \geq 0 && \downarrow \\ &\text{Exp}(\lambda) && \text{Erlang}(2, \lambda) \end{aligned}$$

Sub-Claim: Joint density

$$f_{S_1 \dots S_n}(s_1, \dots, s_n) = \begin{cases} \lambda^n e^{-\lambda s_n} & 0 \leq s_1 \leq s_2 \leq \dots \leq s_n \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Induction hypothesis

$$f_{S_1 \dots S_n S_{n+1}}(s_1, \dots, s_n, s_{n+1})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= f_{S_1, \dots, S_n}(s_1, \dots, s_n) \boxed{f_{S_{n+1}|S_1, \dots, S_n}(s_{n+1} | s_1, \dots, s_n)} \\
 \stackrel{\text{IH}}{=} & \lambda^n e^{-\lambda s_n} f_{X_{n+1}}(s_{n+1} - s_n) \\
 = & \underbrace{\lambda^n e^{-\lambda s_n}}_{0 \leq s_1 \leq s_2 \leq \dots \leq s_{n-1} \leq s_n \leq s_{n+1}} \lambda e^{-\lambda(s_{n+1} - s_n)} = \underbrace{\lambda^{n+1} e^{-\lambda s_{n+1}}}_{\text{}} \\
 &\quad \text{|||}
 \end{aligned}$$

$n=3$

$$\text{Thm: } f_{S_n}(s_n) = \frac{\lambda^n s_n^{n-1} \exp(-\lambda s_n)}{(n-1)!}, \quad s_n \geq 0$$

Pf: Integrate out s_1, s_2 from f_{S_1, S_2, S_3}

$$f_{S_3}(s_3) = \int_{(s_1, s_2)}^{} f_{S_1, S_2, S_3}(s_1, s_2, s_3) ds_1 ds_2$$

$0 < s_1 < s_2 < s_3$

Sub-Claim

$$= \int_0^{s_3} \left(\int_0^{s_2} \lambda^3 \exp(-\lambda s_3) ds_1 \right) ds_2$$

$$\because 0 < s_1 < s_2$$

$$\therefore 0 < s_2 < s_3$$

$$= \int_0^{s_3} \lambda^3 s_2 \exp(-\lambda s_3) ds_2$$

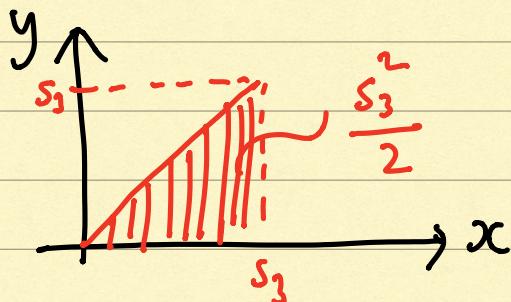
$$= \frac{s_3^2}{2} \lambda^3 \exp(-\lambda s_3), s_3 \geq 0$$

Erlang density of order 3 w/ rate λ .

For $n=4$, see lec5.pdf.

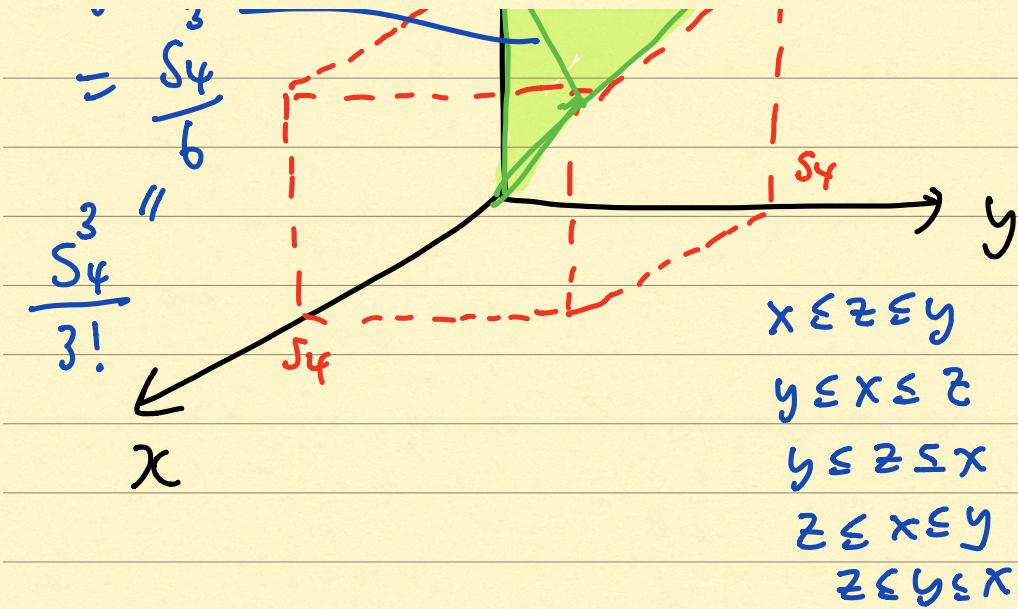
Rmk: \exists factor $\frac{s_n^{n-1}}{(n-1)!}$ \therefore the "volume" of the region (s_1, \dots, s_{n-1}) s.t. $0 < s_1 < \dots < s_{n-1} < s_n$ is exactly $\frac{s_n^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} \rightarrow \frac{s_3^2}{2}$

Eg: $n=3$, Region $\{(x, y); 0 \leq x \leq y \leq s_3\}$



$n=4$, Region $\{(x, y, z); 0 \leq x \leq y \leq z \leq s_4\}$





PMF of $N(t)$: # of arrival in $(0, t]$.

Thm: Poisson process with rate λ .

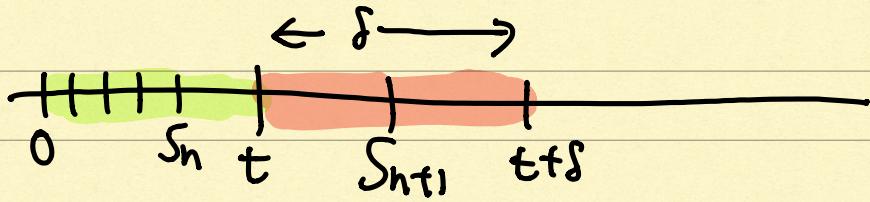
PMF of $N(t)$ is a Poisson rv with mean/rate λt , i.e.,

$$P_{N(t)}(n) = \frac{e^{-\lambda t} (\lambda t)^n}{n!}, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Pf 1: $g(\delta) = o(\delta)$ iff $\lim_{\delta \downarrow 0} \left| \frac{g(\delta)}{\delta} \right| = 0$.

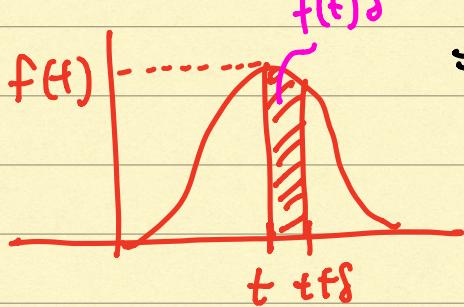
e.g.: $g(\delta) = \delta^2 \in o(\delta)$
 $g(\delta) = \delta \notin o(\delta)$

Consider $\{t < S_{n+1} \leq t + \delta\}$ for $\delta > 0$ small



$$P_r(t < S_{n+1} \leq t + \delta) = \int_t^{t+\delta} f_{S_{n+1}}(z) dz$$

$$= f_{S_{n+1}}(t)(\delta + o(\delta))$$



$$P_r(t < S_{n+1} \leq t + \delta) = P_r(n \text{ arrivals} \in (0, t] \text{ and } 1 \text{ arrival in } (t, t + \delta])$$

$$= P_r(n \text{ arrivals in } (0, t]) P_r(1 \text{ arrival in } (t, t + \delta])$$

$$= P_{N(t)}(n) \int_0^\delta f_X(z) dz = [-e^{-\lambda z}]_0^\delta$$

$$= P_{N(t)}(n) \int_0^\delta \lambda e^{-\lambda z} dz = 1 - e^{-\lambda \delta}$$

$$= P_{N(t)}(n) (\lambda \delta + o(\delta)) = \lambda \delta + o(\delta)$$

$$P_{N(t)}(n) (\lambda \delta + o(\delta)) = f_{S_{n+1}}(t) (\delta + o(\delta))$$

$$P_{N(t)}(n) \underset{\cancel{\lambda t}}{(n)} = \frac{\lambda^{n+1} t^n e^{-\lambda t}}{n!} \underset{\cancel{\delta}}{\delta}$$

$$P_{N(t)}(n) = \frac{(\lambda t)^n e^{-\lambda t}}{n!}, \quad n=0, 1, \dots$$

Pf 2: Recall $\{N(t) \geq n\} = \{S_n \leq t\}$

Fact: $\int_0^b x^{n-1} e^{-ax} dx = \frac{(n-1)!}{a^n} \left[1 - e^{-ab} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{(ab)^i}{i!} \right]$

$$P_r(N(t) \geq n) = P_r(S_n \leq t)$$

$$= \int_0^t \frac{\lambda^n s^{n-1} e^{-\lambda s}}{(n-1)!} ds.$$

$$= \frac{\lambda^n}{(n-1)!} \int_0^t s^{n-1} e^{-\lambda s} ds$$

$$= \frac{\lambda^n}{(n-1)!} \frac{(n-1)!}{\lambda^n} \left[1 - e^{-\lambda t} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{(\lambda t)^i}{i!} \right].$$

$$P_r(N(t) \geq n+1) = 1 - e^{-\lambda t} \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{(\lambda t)^i}{i!}$$

$$\underline{P_r(N(t)=n)} = P_r(N(t) \geq n) - P_r(N(t) \geq n+1)$$

$$= e^{-\lambda t} \frac{(\lambda t)^n}{n!}, \quad n=0, 1, \dots$$

Conclusion: $N(t) \sim \text{Poi}(\lambda t)$
 $E[N(t)] = \lambda t.$

Alternative def. of Poisson processes

Def: A Poisson counting process $\{N(t): t > 0\}$ is a counting process s.t. $N(t) \sim \text{Poi}(\lambda t)$ and $\{N(t): t > 0\}$ has the SIP & IIP.

$$\tilde{N}(t, t+\delta) \stackrel{d}{=} N(\delta) \quad \text{SIP.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(\tilde{N}(t, t+\delta) = 0) &= 1 - \lambda \delta + o(\delta) \\ \Pr(\tilde{N}(t, t+\delta) = 1) &= \lambda \delta + o(\delta) \\ \Pr(\tilde{N}(t, t+\delta) \geq 2) &= o(\delta) \end{aligned} \quad \left. \right\} (*)$$

$$(*) \Rightarrow \frac{|a(\delta) - (1 - \lambda \delta)|}{\delta} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } \delta \rightarrow 0^+$$

↗ arrival $\equiv \lambda \delta$
 ↘ 0 arrivals $\equiv 1 - \lambda \delta$

Def: A Poisson counting process is a counting process that satisfies (*) & satisfies SIP & IIP.

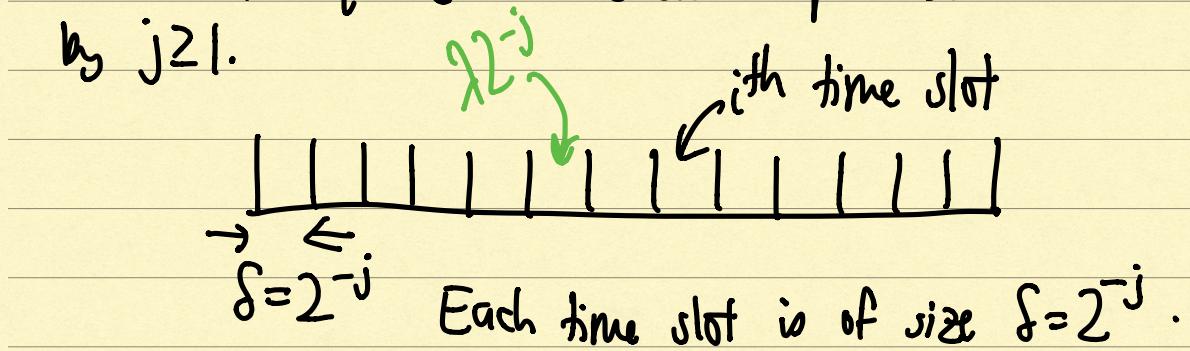
Poisson process as a limit of shrinking Bernoulli processes.

Bernoulli $\{Y_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$, $Y_i \in \{0, 1\}$
 $P(Y_i = 1) = p$, $P(Y_i = 0) = 1-p$

$Y_i = 1 \Rightarrow$ arrival in time slot i .

$Y_i = 0 \Rightarrow$ no arrival in time slot i .

Consider a sequence of Bernoulli processes indexed by $j \geq 1$.

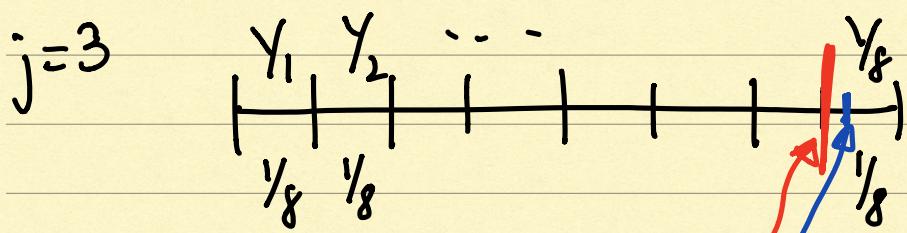


For the j^{th} Bernoulli process, let $p = \lambda 2^{-j} = \lambda \delta$.

The arrival rate is constant across all $j \geq 1$.

j^{th}
 Bernoulli counting process

$$N_j(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{\lfloor t 2^j \rfloor} Y_i$$



$$t = \frac{7}{8} \quad t = \frac{9}{10}$$

$$\left\lfloor \frac{9}{10} \times 2^3 \right\rfloor = \left\lfloor \frac{72}{10} \right\rfloor = 7$$

$$P_{Nj(t)}(n) = \binom{\lfloor Lt 2^j \rfloor}{n} p^n (1-p)^{\lfloor Lt 2^j \rfloor - n}$$

$$p = \lambda \delta = \lambda 2^{-j}. \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, \lfloor Lt 2^j \rfloor.$$

Thm: Consider the sequence of shrinking Bernoulli processes with arrival prob $\lambda 2^{-j} = p$ & slot size 2^{-j} .

Then fix t & fix n .

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} P_{Nj(t)}(n) = P_{N(t)}(n), \quad n = 0, 1, \dots$$

$$= \frac{e^{-\lambda t} (\lambda t)^n}{n!}$$

Pf: Similar to a problem in Hwt.

Combining & Splitting of Poisson processes.

$\{N_1(t) : t > 0\}$ & $\{N_2(t) : t > 0\}$ independent.
 rate \downarrow \downarrow
 λ_1 λ_2 .

Consider the sum process $N(t) = N_1(t) + N_2(t)$

Thm: $\{N(t) : t > 0\}$ is a Poisson process with
 rate $\underline{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2} = \lambda$

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pr(\tilde{N}(t, t+\delta) = 0) \\ &= \Pr(\tilde{N}_1(t, t+\delta) = 0 \text{ and } \tilde{N}_2(t, t+\delta) = 0) \\ &= \Pr(\tilde{N}_1(t, t+\delta) = 0) \Pr(\tilde{N}_2(t, t+\delta) = 0) \\ &= (1 - \lambda_1 \delta + o(\delta))(1 - \lambda_2 \delta + o(\delta)) \\ &= 1 - (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2) \delta + o(\delta) \end{aligned}$$

$\stackrel{\lambda}{\sim}$ $A \cap B = \emptyset$

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pr(\tilde{N}(t, t+\delta) = 1) \\ &= \Pr(\{\tilde{N}_1(t, t+\delta) = 0 \text{ and } \tilde{N}_2(t, t+\delta) = 1\} \text{ or } \\ & \quad \{\tilde{N}_1(t, t+\delta) = 1 \text{ and } \tilde{N}_2(t, t+\delta) = 0\}) \end{aligned}$$

$\stackrel{A}{\sim} \stackrel{B}{\sim}$

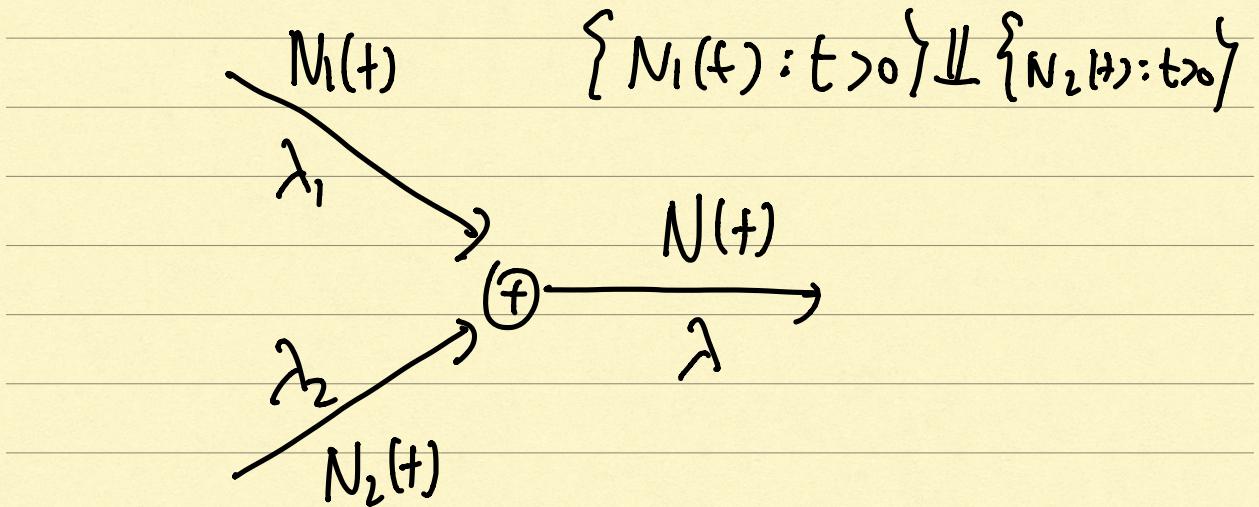
$$\begin{aligned} &= \Pr(\{\tilde{N}_1(t, t+\delta) = 0 \text{ and } \tilde{N}_2(t, t+\delta) = 1\}) \\ &+ \Pr(\{\tilde{N}_1(t, t+\delta) = 1 \text{ and } \tilde{N}_2(t, t+\delta) = 0\}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \Pr(\tilde{N}_1(t, t+\delta) = 0) \Pr(\tilde{N}_2(t, t+\delta) = 1) \\
 &\quad + \Pr(\tilde{N}_1(t, t+\delta) = 1) \Pr(\tilde{N}_2(t, t+\delta) = 0) \\
 &= \lambda_1 \delta (-\lambda_2 \delta) + \lambda_2 \delta (1 - \lambda_1 \delta) \\
 &= (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2) \delta + o(\delta) \\
 &\quad \frac{\parallel}{\lambda}
 \end{aligned}$$

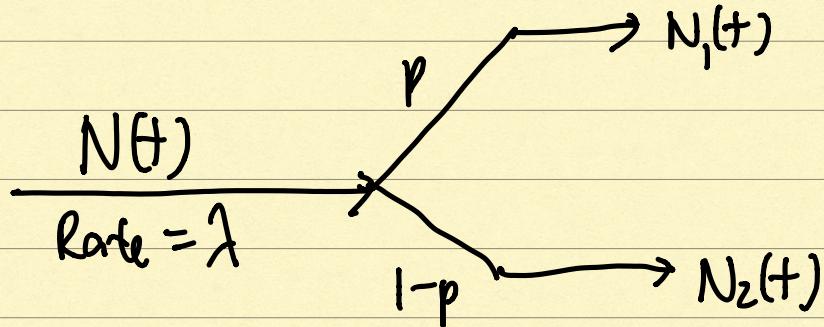
$$\begin{aligned}
 \Pr(\tilde{N}(t, t+\delta) \geq 2) &= 1 - \Pr(\tilde{N}(t, t+\delta) = 0 \text{ or } 1) \\
 &= 1 - (1 - \lambda \delta + \lambda \delta + o(\delta)) = o(\delta).
 \end{aligned}$$

Also need to verify SIP & IIP.

$\Rightarrow N(t)$ is a Poisson counting process with
 $\lambda = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2$.



Splitting of Poisson Process



Split a Poisson process into 2 counting processes $N_1(t)$ & $N_2(t)$

Whenever there's an arrival, assigned as type-I and type-II w.p. p & $1-p$ resp.

Thm: Resulting processes $N_1(t)$ & $N_2(t)$ are Poisson processes with rates λp & $(1-p)\lambda$ resp.

Moreover $\{N_1(t): t > 0\} \perp \!\!\! \perp \{N_2(t): t > 0\}$.

Pf: $\{N(t) = m+k\} , m, k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$.

$$P(N_1(t) = m, N_2(t) = k | N(t) = m+k)$$

$$= \binom{m+k}{m} p^m (1-p)^k$$

But Bayes rule,

$$Pr(N_1(t) = m, N_2(t) = k \mid N(t) = m+k)$$

$$= \frac{Pr(N_1(t) = m, N_2(t) = k, N(t) = m+k)}{Pr(N(t) = m+k)}$$

$$= \frac{Pr(N_1(t) = m, N_2(t) = k, N(t) = m+k)}{Pr(N(t) = m+k)}$$

$$\Rightarrow Pr(N_1(t) = m, N_2(t) = k)$$

$$= Pr(N(t) = m+k) \binom{m+k}{m} p^m (1-p)^k$$

$$= \frac{e^{-\lambda t} (\lambda t)^{m+k}}{(m+k)!} \frac{(m+k)!}{m! k!} p^m (1-p)^k$$

$$= \frac{e^{-\lambda t} (\lambda p t)^m (\lambda (1-p)t)^k}{m! k!}$$

$$= \frac{(\lambda p t)^m e^{-\lambda p t}}{m!} \cdot \frac{(\lambda (1-p)t)^k e^{-\lambda (1-p)t}}{k!}$$

$$= Pr(N_1(t) = m, N_2(t) = k)$$

$$N_1(t) \sim \text{Poi}(\lambda pt) \quad \& \quad N_1(t) \perp\!\!\!\perp N_2(t)$$

$$N_2(t) \sim \text{Poi}(\lambda(1-p)t)$$

Also need to show $\{N_1(t) : t > 0\} \perp\!\!\!\perp \{N_2(t) : t > 0\}$

This can be formally done by using SIP &
IIP of N_1 & N_2 .