

MATH180C: Introduction to Stochastic Processes II

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Today: Poisson process as a
renewal process

> Q&A: November 4

Next: PK 7.2-7.3, Durrett 3.1

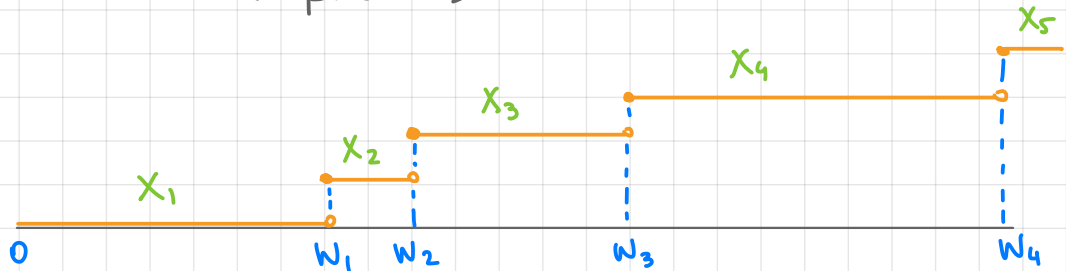
This week:

- Quiz 3 (November 4)
- Homework 4 (due Friday, November 6, 11:59 PM)

Poisson process as a renewal process

The Poisson process $N(t)$ with rate $\lambda > 0$ is a renewal process with $F(x) = 1 - e^{-\lambda x}$.

- sojourn times S_i are i.i.d., $S_i \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$
- S_i represent intervals between two consecutive events (arrivals of customers)
- $W_n = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} S_i$
- we can take $X_i = S_{i-1}$ in the definition of the renewal process



Poisson process as a renewal process

We know that $N(t) \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda t)$, so in particular

$$E(N(t)) = \lambda t$$

Example Compute $M(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} F^{*n}(t)$ for PP

$$F_2(t) =$$

$$\text{Denote } \varphi_k(t) = \frac{(\lambda t)^k}{k!} e^{-\lambda t} :$$

$$\varphi_k * F(t) =$$

$$F * F(t) =$$

$$F^{*2}(t) =$$

$$\vdots$$

$$F^{*n}(t) =$$

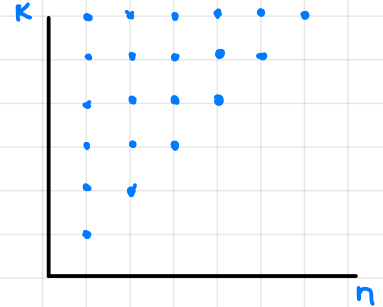
Poisson process as a renewal process (cont.)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} F^{*n}(t) =$$

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$$M(t) =$$



Renewal density

Proposition Let $N(t)$ be a renewal process with continuous interrenewal times X_i having density $f(x)$. Denote

$$m(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f^{*n}(t) \quad . \quad \text{Then}$$

and

(*)

↑ renewal density

Proof: $\frac{d}{dt} F^{*n}(t) =$

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Example: Compute the renewal density for PP using (*).

$f(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$, so (*) becomes

$$m(t) =$$

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$$e^{\lambda t} m(t) =$$

← differentiate

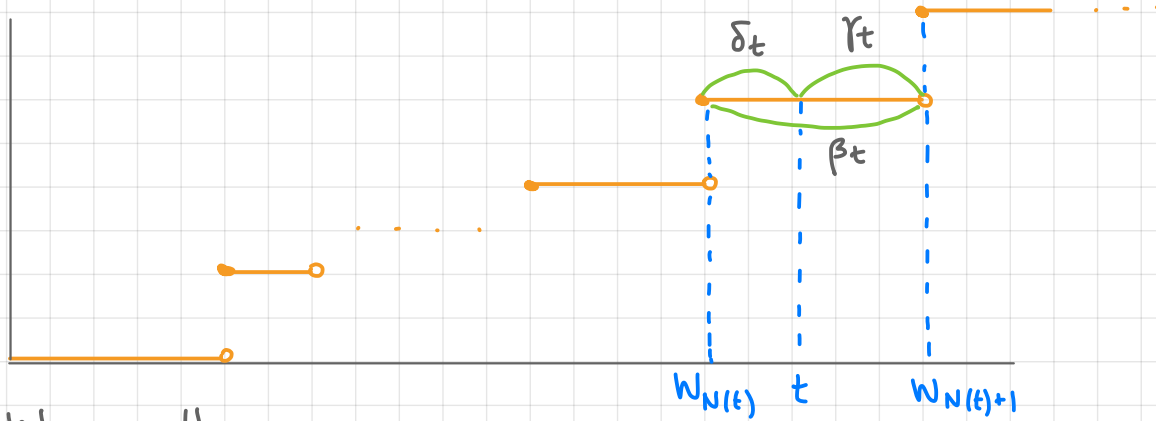
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Indeed,

Excess life and current life of PP (summary)

Recall: Let $N(t)$ be a renewal process.



Def. We call

- $\gamma_t := W_{N(t)+1} - t$ the excess (or residual) lifetime
- $\delta_t := t - W_{N(t)}$ the current life (or age)
- $\beta_t := \gamma_t + \delta_t$ the total life

Remarks 1) $\gamma_t > h \geq 0$ iff $N(t+h) = N(t)$
2) $t \geq h$ and $\delta_t \geq h$ iff $N(t-h) = N(t)$

Excess life and current life of PP

Let $N(t)$ be a PP. Then

- excess life

$$P(\gamma_t > x) =$$

- current life δ_t

$$P(\delta_t > x) = \left\{ \right.$$

- total life $\beta_t = \gamma_t + \delta_t$

$$E(\gamma_t + \delta_t) =$$

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Excess life and current life of PP (cont.)

- Joint distribution of (γ_t, δ_t)

$$P(\gamma_t > x, \delta_t > y) = \left\{ \right.$$

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