

Exercise (6.1)

- first split, then Merge.

determine the resulting Param.

- first merge, then split.

determine Parameters.

- change bit operation in merge

from or to and, xor, nand, nor.

determine Parameters.

6.2 Poisson Process

Recall: a Bernoulli Process

$$\{X_t \mid t=1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$

satisfies

(1) each X_t is Bernoulli(p)

(2) the set $\{X_t \mid t=1, 2, \dots\}$ is independent, equivalently, events in disjoint time intervals are independent.

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we defined

$Y_K = \text{time to } K^{\text{th}} \text{ arrival}$

• Y_K is $\text{Pascal}(p, K)$

• $P_{Y_K}(t) = \binom{t-1}{K-1} p^K (1-p)^{t-K} \quad t=K, K+1, \dots$

we defined

$$\overline{T}_1 = Y_1$$

$$\overline{T}_K = Y_K - Y_{K-1}$$

• $\overline{T}_K$ is geometric(p)

• $P_{\overline{T}_K}(t) = (1-p)^{t-1} \cdot p, \quad t=1, 2, 3, \dots$

can also define

$$N_t = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_t$$

$$= \# \text{ arrivals in } [1, t]$$

• $N_t \sim \text{Binomial}(t, p)$

$$P_{N_t}(k) = \binom{t}{k} p^k (1-p)^{t-k}, \quad k=0, 1, \dots, t$$

we can recover X_t from N_t by

$$X_1 = N_1$$

$$X_t = N_t - N_{t-1} \quad t=2, 3, \dots$$

also

$$Y_k = \min\{t \mid N_t = k\} \quad k=1, 2, \dots$$

Thus we can use any of the four sequences X_t, N_t, Y_k, T_k to define a Bernoulli Process.

A Poisson Process the continuous time analog of Bernoulli Process.

Consider an Arrival Process that evolves in Continuous time.

Define

$$P(k, \tau) = P(\text{\# of arrivals during an interval of len. } \tau)$$

Defn

An arrival Process is a Poisson Process iff

(a) time homogeneity

$P(k, \tau)$ is the same for all intervals of length τ : $[t, t + \tau]$

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(b) independence

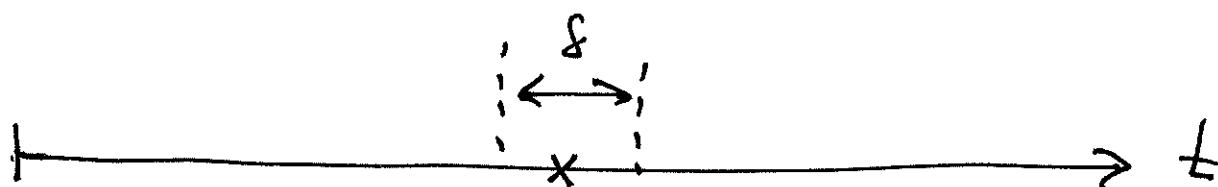
The #s of arrivals in disjoint time intervals are independent.

(c) Small interval Probabilities

let $\delta > 0$ be small. Then

$$P(k, \delta) \approx \begin{cases} 1 - \lambda \delta & \text{if } k=0 \\ \lambda \delta & \text{if } k=1 \\ 0 & \text{if } k=2, 3, \dots \end{cases}$$

$\lambda > 0$ is the 'arrival rate'



The approx. $\approx$ refers to the limit $\delta \rightarrow 0$

$$P(k, \delta) = \begin{cases} 1 - \lambda \delta & k=0 \\ \lambda \delta & k=1 \\ 0 & k \geq 2 \end{cases} + o(\delta)$$

where $o(\delta)$ denotes a function with the property

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{o(\delta)}{\delta} \right) = 0$$

for instance the function $c \cdot \delta^2$ has this property.

observe

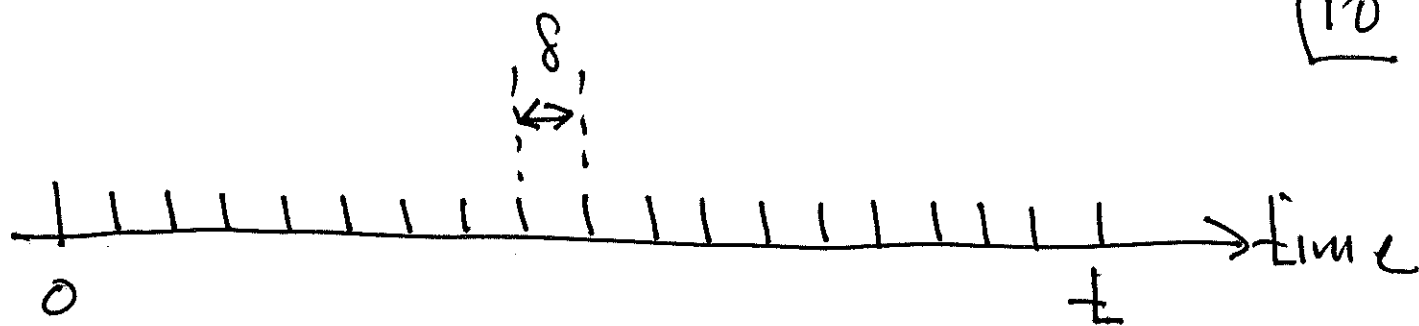
$$E[\# \text{ arrivals in } [t, t+\delta]]$$

$$\nearrow \approx (1-\lambda\delta) \cdot 0 + \lambda\delta \cdot 1 = \lambda\delta$$

arrivals
time

$\therefore \lambda$ is # arrivals per unit Time.

To reason about large time intervals, we divide into small intervals.



Let $n = \frac{t}{\delta} = \# \text{ of sub-intervals.}$

choose $\delta > 0$ so small that Prob. of more than one arrival in a sub-interval is negligible.

We have (approximately) a Bernoulli Process, with Prob. of arrival

$$p = \lambda \delta = \frac{\lambda t}{n}$$

approx. improves as $\delta \rightarrow 0$ ($n \rightarrow \infty$).

The # arrivals in Bernoulli
Process is Binomial (n, p) .

So approximately

$$P(k \text{ arrivals in } [0, t])$$

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

$$= \binom{n}{k} \left(\frac{\lambda t}{n}\right)^k \left(1 - \frac{\lambda t}{n}\right)^{n-k}$$

In the limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$ ($\delta \rightarrow 0$)

this becomes Poisson (λt) .

(from handout.)

So

$$P(k \text{ arrivals in } [0, t])$$

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

Let $N_t = \# \text{ arrivals in } [0, t]$
for a Poisson Process.

Then

$$P_{N_t}(k) = \begin{cases} e^{-\lambda t} \cdot \frac{(\lambda t)^k}{k!} & k=0, 1, 2, \dots \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$E[N_t] = \lambda t$$

and

$$\text{Var}(N_t) = \lambda t$$

Let T be the time to
1st arrival in a Poisson
process at rate λ .

Goal! derive dist. of T .

observe

$$\{T > t\} = \{N_t = 0\}$$

thus

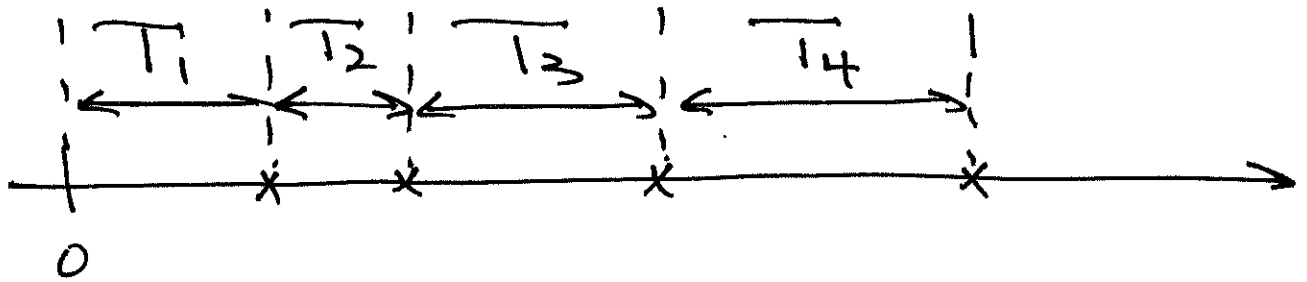
$$\begin{aligned}
 F_T(t) &= P(T \leq t) \\
 &= 1 - P(T > t) \\
 &= 1 - P(N_t = 0) \\
 &= 1 - P_{N_t}(0) \\
 &= 1 - e^{-\lambda t}
 \end{aligned}$$

diff w.r.t. t to find

$$f_T(t) = \lambda e^{-\lambda t} \quad \text{for } t \geq 0$$

$\therefore T$ is exponential(λ)

Let T_k be k^{th} interarrival
time.



After each arrival, Poisson
process has a 'fresh start',

so

$$f_{T_k}(t) = \lambda e^{-\lambda t} \quad \text{for } t \geq 0$$

Exponential (λ)

Now define

$$Y_K = T_1 + T_2 + \dots + T_K \quad (K=1, 2, \dots)$$

= time to K^{th} arrival

Y_K has Erlang distribution
of order K

$$f_{Y_K}(t) = \frac{\lambda^K t^{K-1} e^{-\lambda t}}{(K-1)!} \quad (t \geq 0)$$

(see derivation in text.)

Exercise

Prove that the sum of K independent exponential(λ) r.v.s is Erlang of order K .

Hint

use induction on K .

• Base: $Y_1 = \overline{1}_1$

• Induction:

$$\underbrace{Y_K}_{\text{Erlang. order } K} = \underbrace{Y_{K-1}}_{\text{ind. hyp}} + \underbrace{\overline{1}_K}_{\text{exp}}$$

convolution

Summary

BernoulliPoissontime: $t \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$ $t \in [0, \infty)$ rate: p/trial $\lambda/\text{unit-time}$ N_t : Binomial(t, p)Poisson(λt) T_k : Geometric(p)Exponential(λ) Y_k : Pascal(p, k)Erlang(λ, k)

Ex.

You receive email in a Poisson process with rate 2/hour currently have no messages.

a.) what is the Prob. of having 3 new msgs. in 30 minutes

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(N_{\frac{1}{2}} = 3) &= P_{N_{\frac{1}{2}}}^{(3)} \\
 &= e^{-(2 \cdot \frac{1}{2})} \cdot \frac{(2 \cdot \frac{1}{2})^3}{3!} \\
 &= \frac{1}{6e} \approx \boxed{.0613}
 \end{aligned}$$

b.) what's Prob. of having no msg in 30 min?

$$P(N_{\frac{1}{2}} = 0) = P_{N_{\frac{1}{2}}}(0)$$

$$= e^{-(2 \cdot \frac{1}{2})} \cdot \frac{(2 \cdot \frac{1}{2})^0}{0!}$$

$$= e^{-1} = \boxed{.3679}$$

c.) what is expected time of s^{th} new msg?

$$E[Y_s] = E[T_1 + \dots + T_s]$$

$$= s \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{s}{2}$$

$$= \boxed{2.5 \text{ hours}}$$