

MATH180C: Introduction to Stochastic Processes II

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Today: Poisson process as a renewal
process

Next: PK 7.2-7.3, Durrett 3.1

Week 5:

- HW4 due Friday, May 5 on Gradescope

Expectation of W_n

Proposition 2. Let $N(t)$ be a renewal process with interrenewal times X_1, X_2, \dots and renewal times $(W_n)_{n \geq 1}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} E(W_{N(t)+1}) &= E(X_1) E(N(t)+1) \\ &= \mu (M(t)+1) \end{aligned}$$

where $\mu = E(X_1)$.

Proof. $E(W_{N(t)+1}) = E(X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_{N(t)+1}) = E(X_1) + E(X_2 + \dots + X_{N(t)+1})$

$$\begin{aligned} E(X_2 + \dots + X_{N(t)+1}) &= E(X_2 | N(t)=1) P(N(t)=1) \\ &\quad + E(X_2 + X_3 | N(t)=2) P(N(t)=2) \\ &\quad + E(X_2 + X_3 + X_4 | N(t)=3) P(N(t)=3) \\ &\quad + \vdots \\ &\quad + E\left(\sum_{k=2}^{n+1} X_k | N(t)=n\right) P(N(t)=n) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} E(X_2 | N(t)=n) P(N(t)=n) + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} E(X_3 | N(t)=n) P(N(t)=n) + \dots$$

Renewal equation

Proposition 3. Let $(N(t))_{t \geq 0}$ be a renewal process with interrenewal distribution F . Then $M(t) = E(N(t))$ satisfies

$$M(t) = F(t) + M * F(t) = F(t) + \int_0^t M(t-x) dF(x)$$

renewal equation

Proof. We showed in Proposition 1 that

$$M = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} F^{*n}$$

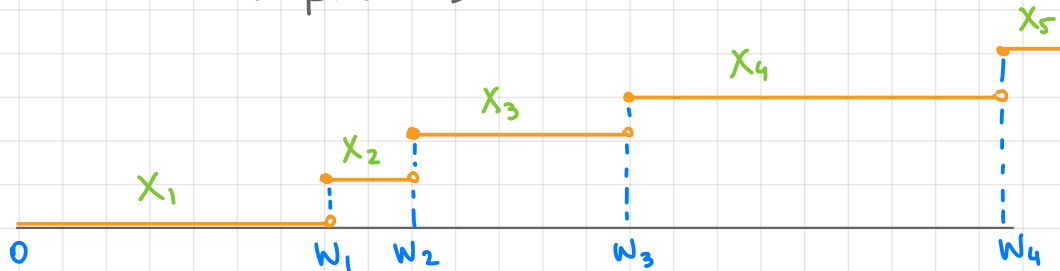
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } M * F &= \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} F^{*n} \right) * F = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} F^{*n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} F^{*n} - F \\ &= M - F \end{aligned}$$



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

$$= \int G(t-x) dF(x) \\ \downarrow \\ F'(x) dx$$

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

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

$$G * F(t) = \int G(t-x) f(x) dx$$

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

$$\underbrace{\varphi_1(t)}$$

$$F_2(t) = \int_0^t \underbrace{(1 - e^{-\lambda(t-x)})}_{F(t-x)} \underbrace{\lambda e^{-\lambda x}}_{f(x)} dx = \underbrace{1 - e^{-\lambda t}}_{1 - \varphi_0(t)} - \lambda \int_0^t e^{-\lambda(t-x)} e^{-\lambda x} dx = F(t) - \lambda t e^{-\lambda t}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_k * F(t) &= \int_0^t \frac{(\lambda(t-x))^k}{k!} e^{-\lambda(t-x)} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx = \frac{\lambda^{k+1}}{k!} e^{-\lambda t} \int_0^t (t-x)^k dx \\ &= \frac{\lambda^{k+1} t^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} e^{-\lambda t} = \varphi_{k+1}(t) \end{aligned}$$

$$F * F(t) = F(t) - \varphi_1(t)$$

$$F^{*3}(t) = (F - \varphi_1) * F(t) = F * F - \varphi_1 * F = F - \varphi_1 - \varphi_2$$

⋮

$$F^{*n}(t) = F - \varphi_1 - \varphi_2 - \dots - \varphi_{n-1}$$

Poisson process as a renewal process (cont.)

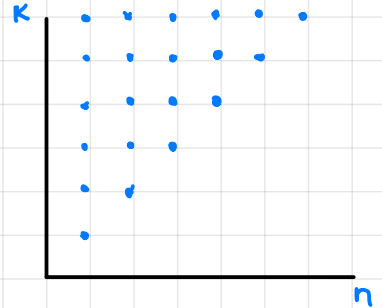
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} F^{*n}(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{(\lambda t)^k}{k!} e^{-\lambda t} \right) = e^{-\lambda t} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(e^{\lambda t} - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{(\lambda t)^k}{k!} \right)$$

$$= e^{-\lambda t} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda t)^k}{k!} - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{(\lambda t)^k}{k!} \right)$$

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



$$M(t) = \lambda t$$

Renewal density

$$g * f(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t-x) f(x) dx$$

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

$$m(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f^{*n}(t) \quad \text{Then} \quad M(t) = \int_0^t m(x) dx$$

$$\text{and} \quad m(t) = f(t) + m * f(t) \quad (*)$$

↑ renewal density

Proof: $\frac{d}{dt} F^{*n}(t) = \left(\frac{d}{dt} F^{*(n-1)} \right) * f(t) = f^{*n}(t) \quad \blacksquare$

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

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

$$\begin{aligned} m(t) &= \lambda e^{-\lambda t} + \int_0^t m(t-x) \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx = \lambda e^{-\lambda t} + \int_0^t m(x) \lambda e^{-\lambda(t-x)} dx \\ &= \lambda e^{-\lambda t} \left(1 + \int_0^t m(x) e^{\lambda x} dx \right) \end{aligned}$$

(cont.)

$$e^{\lambda t} m(t) = \lambda \left(1 + \int_0^t e^{\lambda x} m(x) dx \right) \leftarrow \text{differentiate}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{d}{dt} (e^{\lambda t} m(t)) = \lambda e^{\lambda t} m(t) \\ m(0) = \lambda \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} e^{\lambda t} m(t) = e^{\lambda t} \cdot c \\ m(t) = \lambda \end{array}$$

Indeed, $M(t) = \int_0^t \lambda dt = \lambda t$