

Example 2 from last time:

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$$p_0 = .25, p_1 = .25, p_2 = .5, X_0 > 1$$

①

$$\mu = 1.25, \sigma^2 = \frac{11}{16}$$

$$E[X_n] = 1.25^n X_0$$

$$V[X_n] = \frac{11}{16} (1.25)^{n-1} \frac{1 - 1.25^n}{(-.25)} X_0$$

$$\text{Prob}(\text{population dies out}) = \pi_0^{X_0}$$

$$\pi_0 = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \pi_j P_j = 1 \cdot p_0 + \pi_0 p_1 + \pi_0^2 p_2$$

$$\pi_0 = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \pi_0 + \frac{1}{2} \pi_0^2$$

②

$$2\pi_0^2 - 3\pi_0 + 1 = 0$$

$$\pi_0 = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{9-8}}{4} = \left(\frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$$

$$\text{Prob}(\text{pop dies out}) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{X_0}$$

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Defn:  $\{N(t), t \geq 0\}$  is a Counting process

if  $N(t)$  represents the # of events that occur by time  $t$ .

Defn: A counting process has independent increments if the # of events in disjoint time periods are independent.

③

Defn: A counting process has stationary increments if the # of events in an interval depends only on the length of the interval.

Defn: A function  $f(h)$  is  $o(h)$  if

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h)}{h} = 0$$

Example:  $f(h) = \frac{1}{2}h$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{2}h}{h} = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{so } \frac{1}{2}h \text{ is not } o(h)$$

$$f(h) = \sqrt{h}$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{h}}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{h}} = \infty \quad \text{so } \sqrt{h} \text{ is not } o(h)$$

$$f(h) = h^2$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h^2}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} h = 0 \quad \text{so } h^2 \text{ is } o(h)$$

Note: If  $f(h)$  and  $g(h)$  are both  $o(h)$ ,  
then so is  $f+g$

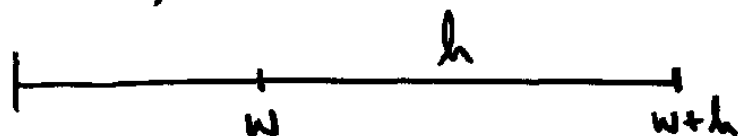
If  $f(h)$  is  $o(h)$ , then so is  $c f(h)$

Defn: A Poisson process is a Counting  
process such that

- i)  $N(0) = 0$
- ii) The process has stationary and independent increments
- iii)  $P[N(h) = 1] = \lambda h + o(h)$
- iv)  $P[N(h) \geq 2] = o(h)$

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Let  $f(x, h)$  be the probability of seeing exactly  $x$  occurrences in an interval of length  $h$ .



$$f(0, w+h) = f(0, w) \cdot f(0, h) \quad \text{by indep. incs.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(0, h) &= 1 - \left[ f(1, h) + \sum_{x=2}^{\infty} f(x, h) \right] \\ &= 1 - [\lambda h + o(h) + o(h)] \end{aligned}$$

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$$f(0, h) = 1 - \lambda h + o(h)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } f(0, w+h) &= f(0, w) [1 - \lambda h + o(h)] \\ &= f(0, w) + f(0, w) [-\lambda h + o(h)] \end{aligned}$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(0, w+h) - f(0, w)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(0, w) [-\lambda h + o(h)]}{h}$$

$$\frac{\partial f(0, w)}{\partial w} = -\lambda f(0, w)$$

$$\int \frac{d f(0, w)}{f(0, w)} = -\lambda \int dw$$

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$$\ln f(0, w) = -\lambda w + c$$

$$f(0, w) = e^{-\lambda w + c}$$

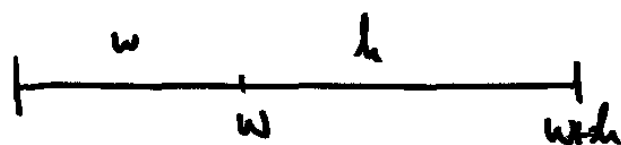
$f(0, 0)$  = Prob of seeing 0 events in  
an interval of length 0 = 1

$$1 = e^c \quad \therefore c = 0$$

$$\therefore f(0, w) = e^{-\lambda w}$$

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Suppose  $n \geq 1$



$$f(n, w+h)$$

$$= P[n \text{ in } w \cap 0 \text{ in } h] +$$

$$P[n-1 \text{ in } w \cap 1 \text{ in } h] + \dots$$

$$P[0 \text{ in } w \cap n \text{ in } h]$$

$$= f(n, w) \cdot f(0, h) + f(n-1, w) f(1, h) + \dots + \sum_{i=2}^n f(n-i, w) f(i, h)$$

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$$= f(x, w) [1 - \lambda h + o(h)] \\ + f(x-1, w) [\lambda h + o(h)] + o(h)$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x, w+h) - f(x, w)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x, w) [-\lambda h + o(h)]}{h} + \\ \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x-1, w) [\lambda h + o(h)] + o(h)}{h}$$

$$\frac{\partial f(x, w)}{\partial w} = -\lambda f(x, w) + \lambda f(x-1, w) \text{ for } x \geq 1$$

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for  $x=1$ :

$$\frac{\partial f(1, w)}{\partial w} = -\lambda f(1, w) + \lambda \underbrace{f(0, w)}_{e^{-\lambda w}}$$

$$e^{\lambda w} \frac{\partial f(1, w)}{\partial w} + \lambda e^{\lambda w} f(1, w) = \lambda$$

$$\frac{d}{dw} [e^{\lambda w} f(1, w)] = \lambda$$

$$e^{\lambda w} f(1, w) = \lambda w + C$$

$$f(1, w) = \lambda w e^{-\lambda w} + c e^{-\lambda w} \quad (13)$$

$$f(1, 0) = \text{Pr}(1 \text{ event in an interval of length } 0) = 0$$

$$0 = 0 + c \quad \therefore c = 0$$

$$f(1, w) = \lambda w e^{-\lambda w}$$

$$\text{For } n=2: \quad \frac{\partial f(2, w)}{\partial w} = -\lambda f(2, w) + \lambda \underbrace{f(1, w)}_{\lambda w e^{-\lambda w}}$$

$$e^{\lambda w} \frac{\partial f(2, w)}{\partial w} + \lambda e^{\lambda w} f(2, w) = \lambda^2 w \quad (14)$$

$$\frac{d}{dw} [e^{\lambda w} f(2, w)] = \lambda^2 w$$

$$e^{\lambda w} f(2, w) = \lambda^2 \frac{w^2}{2} + c$$

$$f(2, w) = \frac{\lambda^2 w^2}{2} e^{-\lambda w} + c e^{-\lambda w}$$

$$0 = 0 + c \quad \therefore c = 0$$

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$$f(0, \omega) = e^{-\lambda \omega}$$

$$f(1, \omega) = \lambda \omega e^{-\lambda \omega}$$

$$f(2, \omega) = \frac{\lambda^2 \omega^2}{2} e^{-\lambda \omega}$$

$\vdots$

$$f(x, \omega) = e^{-\lambda \omega} \frac{(\lambda \omega)^x}{x!}$$