

Exercise 2

We show that the process $\{N_t, t \geq 0\}$ has stationary and independent increments. Let $0 = t_0 \leq t_1 \leq \dots \leq t_n < t_{n+1} = \infty$ and m_1, \dots, m_n be arbitrary. Then we get by conditioning on X :

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \mathbb{P}(N_{t_1} - N_{t_0} = m_1, \dots, N_{t_n} - N_{t_{n-1}} = m_n) \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} \mathbb{P}(N_{t_1} - N_{t_0} = m_1, \dots, N_{t_n} - N_{t_{n-1}} = m_n \mid X = x) dF_X(x) \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} \mathbb{P} \left(\{N_{t_j}^{(1)} - N_{t_{j-1}}^{(1)} = m_j, \forall 1 \leq j \leq i\} \right. \\
 & \quad \cap \{N_x^{(1)} + N_{t_{i+1}-x}^{(2)} - N_{t_i}^{(1)} = m_{i+1}\} \\
 & \quad \left. \cap \{N_x^{(1)} + N_{t_{j+1}-x}^{(2)} - N_x^{(1)} - N_{t_j-x}^{(2)} = m_{j+1}, \forall i < j < n\} \right) dF_X(x)
 \end{aligned}$$

Then, the three event in the last integral are independent from each other because the Poisson processes $N^{(1)}$ and $N^{(2)}$ are independent from each other and Poisson processes have independent increments. Moreover, it holds that $N_x^{(1)} + N_{t_{i+1}-x}^{(2)} - N_{t_i}^{(1)} = N_{x-t_i}^{(1)} + N_{t_{i+1}-x}^{(2)} \sim \text{Poi}(\lambda(t_{i+1} - t_i))$, where λ was the intensity of $N^{(1)}$ and $N^{(2)}$. This leads to

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \mathbb{P}(N_{t_1} - N_{t_0} = m_1, \dots, N_{t_n} - N_{t_{n-1}} = m_n) \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} \prod_{j=1}^n \mathbb{P}(N_{t_j} - N_{t_{j-1}} = m_j) dF_X(x) \\
 &= \prod_{j=1}^n \mathbb{P}(N_{t_j} - N_{t_{j-1}} = m_j) \\
 &= \prod_{j=1}^n \frac{((\lambda(t_j - t_{j-1})))^{m_j}}{m_j!} \exp(-\lambda(t_j - t_{j-1})).
 \end{aligned}$$

Now we know that the process N_t has independent increments. Let $h > 0$ be arbitrary. Then we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \mathbb{P}(N_{t_1+h} - N_{t_0+h} = m_1, \dots, N_{t_n+h} - N_{t_{n-1}+h} = m_n) \\
 &= \sum_{m_0=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}(N_{t_0+h} - N_{t_0} = m_0, N_{t_1+h} - N_{t_0+h} = m_1, \dots, N_{t_n+h} - N_{t_{n-1}+h} = m_n)
 \end{aligned}$$

Now we are in the same case as above and obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_{m_0=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda h)^{m_0}}{m_0!} \exp(-\lambda h) \prod_{j=1}^n \frac{((\lambda(t_j - t_{j-1})))^{m_j}}{m_j!} \exp(-\lambda(t_j - t_{j-1})) \\
 &= \prod_{j=1}^n \frac{((\lambda(t_j - t_{j-1})))^{m_j}}{m_j!} \exp(-\lambda(t_j - t_{j-1}))
 \end{aligned}$$

This shows us that N_t has stationary increments.