

1. Question 1.

- i. Writing the state space in the order $\{B, O\}$, the generator matrix is:

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & \lambda \\ \mu & -\mu \end{bmatrix}$$

- ii. The holding times are exponentially distributed with the parameter λ in state B, and μ in state O.

iii.
$$\frac{d}{dt} P_s^{BB} = -\lambda \cdot P_s^{BB} + \mu \cdot P_s^{BO}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} P_s^{BO} = \lambda \cdot P_s^{BB} - \mu \cdot P_s^{BO}$$

- iv. We have a two State Model so:

$$P_s^{BB} + P_s^{BO} = 1$$

Substituting.

$$\frac{d}{dt} P_s^{BB} = -\lambda \cdot P_s^{BB} + \mu (1 - P_s^{BB})$$

$$d [\exp((\lambda + \mu)t) \cdot P_s^{BB}] = \mu (1 - P_s^{BB}) \exp((\lambda + \mu)t) dt$$

hence.

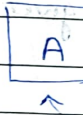
$$\exp((\lambda + \mu)t) \cdot P_s^{BB} = \frac{\mu}{\lambda + \mu} \exp((\lambda + \mu)t) + \text{constant}$$

Since the process is in state Bid at times $(t=0)$, the constant is $\frac{\lambda}{\mu + \lambda}$.

and thus $P_s^{BB} = \frac{\mu}{\lambda + \mu} + \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \mu} \cdot \exp(-(\lambda + \mu)t)$

2. Question 2

i.



ii.

$$\frac{d}{dt} P_{AA}(t)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} P_{AB}(t)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} P_{AC}(t)$$

iii.

To stay

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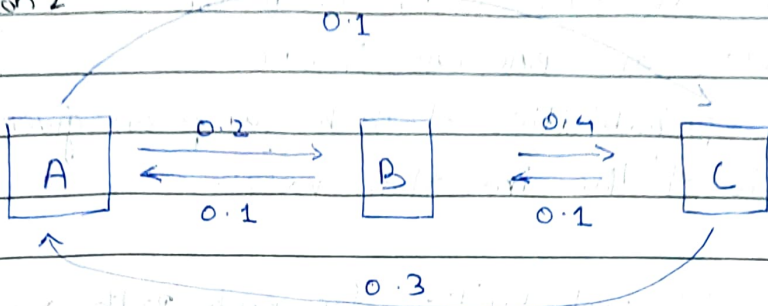
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We can

$$P(P_{oi}(t))$$

2. Question 2

i.



ii.

$$\frac{d}{dt} P_{AA}(t) = -0.3 P_{AA}(t) + 0.1 P_{AB}(t) + 0.3 P_{AC}(t)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} P_{AB}(t) = 0.2 P_{AA}(t) - 0.5 P_{AB}(t) + 0.1 P_{AC}(t)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} P_{AC}(t) = 0.1 P_{AA}(t) + 0.4 P_{AB}(t) - 0.4 P_{AC}(t)$$

iii. To stay in state A the equation reduces to:

$$\frac{d}{dt} P_{AA}^-(t) = -0.3 P_{AA}^-(t), \text{ which has the solution}$$

$$P_{AA}^-(t) = \exp(-0.3t)$$

So for $t=2$, we have $\exp(-0.6) = 0.5488$.

OR

We can model this as Poisson with ^{parameter} equation $(0.1 + 0.2) \times 2 = 0.6$

$$P(\text{Poi}(0.6)) = \frac{e^{-0.6} 0.6^0}{0!} = 0.5488$$

iv. The only paths under which the third jump is into State c are BAC, CAC & CBC.

The probabilities of each jump are given by the ratio of the transition rates.

So, the probabilities for each path are:

$$BAC = \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{45}$$

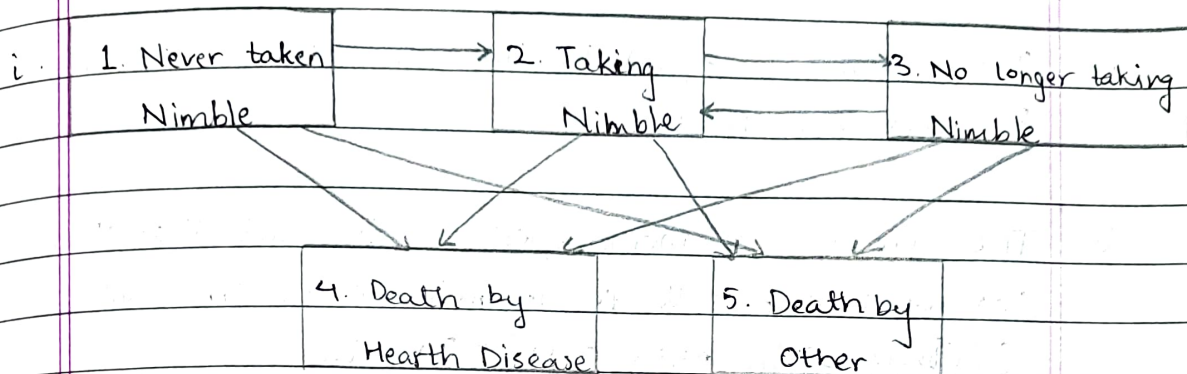
$$CAC = \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{12}$$

$$CBC = \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{5} = \frac{1}{15}$$

$$\text{Sum} = 7/36 = 0.194$$

So the

5. Question 3



ii. Using the Markov assumptions or Chapman Kolmogorov equation

$$\frac{d}{dt} P_x^{34} = \frac{d}{dt} P_x^{31} \frac{d}{dt} P_{x+t}^{14} + \frac{d}{dt} P_x^{32} \frac{d}{dt} P_{x+t}^{24} + \frac{d}{dt} P_x^{33} \frac{d}{dt} P_{x+t}^{34} + \frac{d}{dt} P_x^{34} \frac{d}{dt} P_{x+t}^{44} + \frac{d}{dt} P_x^{35} \frac{d}{dt} P_{x+t}^{54}$$

Since $\frac{d}{dt} P_{x+t}^{54} = \frac{d}{dt} P_x^{31} = 0$.

$$\frac{d}{dt} P_x^{34} = \frac{d}{dt} P_x^{32} \frac{d}{dt} P_{x+t}^{24} + \frac{d}{dt} P_x^{33} \frac{d}{dt} P_{x+t}^{34} + \frac{d}{dt} P_x^{34} \frac{d}{dt} P_{x+t}^{44}$$

Given that $\frac{d}{dt} P_{x+t}^{44} = 1$.

∴ Assuming that for dt

$$\frac{d}{dt} P_{x+t}^{ij} = u_{x+t}^{ij} dt + o(dt) \quad i \neq j$$

where $\lim_{dt \rightarrow 0} \frac{o(dt)}{dt} = 0$, substituting.

$$\frac{d}{dt} P_x^{34} = \frac{d}{dt} P_x^{32} u_{x+t}^{24} dt + \frac{d}{dt} P_x^{33} u_{x+t}^{34} dt + \frac{d}{dt} P_x^{34} + o(dt)$$

So that $\frac{d}{dt} P_x^{34} - \frac{d}{dt} P_x^{34} = \frac{d}{dt} P_x^{32} u_{x+t}^{24} dt + \frac{d}{dt} P_x^{33} u_{x+t}^{34} dt + o(dt)$

4. Question 4

- i. The mean is equal to the parameter, so there are 3 calls per hour.
- ii. The process is memoryless so the fact that Fred has not had a call for 15 minutes is irrelevant.
 $E(\text{time until next call}) = 20 \text{ min}$
- iii. The probability of zero calls in time 0.5 hours.
 Using $P_j(t) = \frac{e^{-\lambda t} (\lambda t)^j}{j!}$

OR

$$P_0(0.5) = \frac{e^{-1.5} (1.5)^0}{0!}$$

$$= 0.2231.$$

- iv. The expected time that Fred is on the phone is the expected number of calls times the avg. length of a call.

Per hour this is 3 calls $\times$ 7 minutes = 21 minutes

So, the probability that the phone is engaged is

$$\frac{21}{60} = 0.35$$

Question 5

- Q5. i. Using Markov Assumption or Chapman Kolmogorov equation.

$$P_{HH}(x, t+dt) = P_{HH}(x, t) P_{HH}(t, t+dt) + P_{HS}(x, t) \cdot P_{SH}(t, t+dt) + P_{HD}(x, t) \cdot P_{DH}(t, t+dt)$$

But $P_{DH}(t, t+dt) = 0;$

So,

$$P_{HH}(x, t+dt) = P_{HH}(x, t) \cdot P_{HH}(t, t+dt) + P_{HS}(x, t) P_{SH}(t, t+dt)$$

Assuming that, for small dt

~~$$P_{ij}(x, t+dt) = P_{HH}(x, t) P_{HH}(t, t+dt) + P_{HS}(x, t) P_{SH}(t, t+dt)$$~~

$$P_{ij}(t, t+dt) = \lambda_{ij}(t) dt + o(dt)$$

$$P_{ij}(t, t+dt) = 1 + \lambda_{ij}(t) dt + o(dt)$$

OR

$$P_{ij}(t, t+dt) = 1 - \sum_{j \neq i} \lambda_{ij}(t) dt + o(dt)$$

where the λ_s are the instantaneous transition rates
and $\lim_{dt \rightarrow 0} \frac{o(dt)}{dt} = 0;$

then substituting.

$$P_{HH}(x, t+dt) = P_{HH}(x, t)(1 - \sigma(t)dt - \mu(t)dt) + P_{HS}(x, t)p(t, dt) + o(dt).$$

so that

$$P_{HH}(x, t+dt) - P_{HH}(x, t) = P_{HH}(x, t)(-\sigma(t) - \mu(t))dt + P_{HS}(x, t)p(t, dt) + o(dt)$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} P_{HH}(x, t) &= \lim_{dt \rightarrow 0} \frac{P_{HH}(x, t+dt) - P_{HH}(x, t)}{dt} \\ &= P_{HH}(x, t)(-\sigma(t) - \mu(t)) + P_{HS}(x, t)p(t, t) \end{aligned}$$

ii. The equation simplifies when considering $P_{HH}(t)$ to

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} P_{HH}(0, t) &= -(\sigma(t) + \mu(t)) P_{HH}(t) \\ \frac{1}{P_{HH}(0, t)} \frac{d}{dt} P_{HH}(0, t) &= -(\sigma(t) + \mu(t)) \\ &= \frac{d}{dt} \ln P_{HH}(t). \end{aligned}$$

Integrate b.t.s.

$$[\ln P_{HH}(0, t)]_0^t = \int_0^t -(\sigma(s) + \mu(s))ds, \text{ as } P_{HH}(0) = 1.$$

$$P_{HH}(0, t) = \exp\left(-\int_0^t (\sigma(s) + \mu(s)) ds\right)$$

Q6 All three processes have a discrete state space. A Markov Chain and Markov Jump Chain both operate in discrete time but a Markov Jump Process operates in continuous time. All three have the Markov Property, which is that the future development of the process can be predicted from its present state alone, without reference to its past history.

$$P[X_t \in A | X_{s_1} = x_1, X_{s_2} = x_2, \dots, X_{s_n} = x_n, X_s = x] =$$

$$P[X_t \in A | X_s = x],$$

for all times $s_1 < s_2 < \dots < s_n < s < t$, all states $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n, x \in S$ and all subsets A of S .

If a Markov Jump Process X is examined only at the times of its transitions, the resulting process is called the Jump Chain associated with X .

The Jump Chain obeys the Markov Property and behaves as a Markov chain except when the Jump Chain encounters an absorbing state. From that time, it makes no further transitions, implying that time stops for the Jump Chain.

The Jump Chain associated with X takes the same path through the state space as X does. However, questions about the times taken to visit a state are likely to have different answers for X and for the Jump chain associated with X . The Markov Jump Chain & the Markov Chain are expressed in terms of probabilities whereas the Markov Jump Process is expressed in

terms of rates.

The Markov Chain can have loops in each state; the Markov Jump process cannot and the Markov Jump Chain only has loops absorbing states

Q7. Question 7:

- i. The maximum likelihood estimates of the transition intensity from state i to state j is the number of transitions from state i to state j divided by the total waiting time in state i . To estimate the transition intensities exactly we therefore need the total time spent in each state

OR

the entry and exit times for each individual for each state, and the total number of transitions of each type made.

ii. $\frac{d}{dt} P_{AA}(s, t) = -P_{AA}(s, t) \mu$

$\frac{d}{dt} P_{AT}(s, t) = P_{AA}(s, t) \mu$

OR

$\frac{d}{dt} P(s, t) = P(s, t) M, \quad M = \begin{pmatrix} -\mu & \mu \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ Active, theft.}$

OR

$P_{AA}(s, t) = \exp\left(-\int_s^t \mu du\right)$

$P_{AT}(s, t) = \int_{u=0}^t P_{AA}(s, u) \cdot \mu \cdot du$

iii. Measure from time zero, i.e., $s=0$ and drop s from notation.

$$\frac{1}{P_{AA}(t)} \frac{d P_{AA}(t)}{dt} = -\mu$$

$$\frac{d (\ln(P_{AA}(t)))}{dt} = -\mu$$

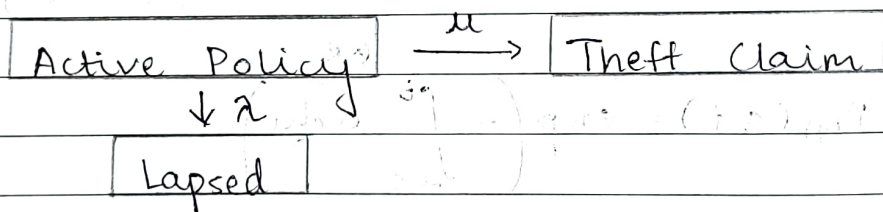
$$\text{hence } P_{AA}(t) = \exp(-\mu t + c)$$

As $P_{AA}(0) = 1$, $c=0$, so

$$P_{AA}(t) = \exp(-\mu t)$$

A claim occurs with cost of C if moves to state "Theft Claim". Hence the expected cost is $C(1 - \exp(-\mu T))$

iv.



$$v. \quad \frac{d P_{AA}(t)}{dt} = -P_{AA}(t)(\mu + \lambda), \quad P_{AA}(t) = \exp(-(\mu + \lambda)t)$$

$$\frac{d P_{AT}(t)}{dt} = P_{AA}(t)\mu = \mu \exp(-(\mu + \lambda)t)$$

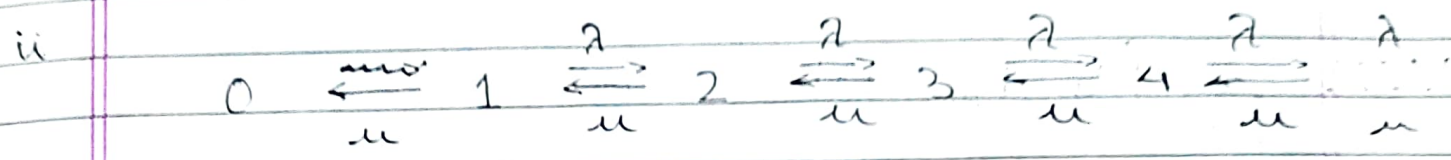
Solving this

$$P_{AT}(t) = \left[\frac{\mu}{\mu + \lambda} \exp(-(\mu + \lambda)t) \right]_0^T = \frac{\mu}{\mu + \lambda} (1 - \exp(-(\mu + \lambda)T))$$

Claims become $\frac{\mu}{\mu + \lambda} C(1 - \exp(-(\mu + \lambda)T))$

Question 8

i. $\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots\}$



iii. Generator Matrix:

Lives	0	1	2	3	4	...
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$$\begin{pmatrix}
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 \mu & -(\mu+\lambda) & \lambda & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & \mu & -(\mu+\lambda) & \lambda & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & \mu & -(\mu+\lambda) & \lambda \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & \mu & -(\mu+\lambda)
 \end{pmatrix}$$

iv. A Markov Jump Process X_t is examined only at the times of transition, the resulting process is called the Jump chain associated with X_t .

v. Lives	0	1	2	3	4	...
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$$\begin{pmatrix}
 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \text{etc.} \\
 \mu/(\mu+\lambda) & 0 & \lambda/(\mu+\lambda) & 0 & 0 & \\
 0 & \mu/(\mu+\lambda) & 0 & \lambda/(\mu+\lambda) & 0 & \\
 0 & 0 & \mu/(\mu+\lambda) & 0 & \lambda/(\mu+\lambda) & \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & \mu/(\mu+\lambda) & 0 & \\
 \text{etc.} & & & & &
 \end{pmatrix}$$

vi. $\begin{pmatrix} \mu \\ \mu+\lambda \end{pmatrix}^3$

Question 10.

$$i. \frac{d}{dt} P_{\overline{AA}}(t) = -2t \times P_{\overline{AA}}(t)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} [\ln P_{\overline{AA}}(t)] = -2t$$

$$\ln P_{\overline{AA}}(s) = -s^2 + \text{constant}$$

$$P_{\overline{AA}}(0) = 1, \text{ constant} = 0$$

$$\therefore P_{\overline{AA}}(s) = \exp(-s^2)$$

ii. $P(1^{\text{st}} \text{ visit to B at time } T \text{ in state A at } t \neq 0)$

$$= \int_0^T P(\text{remains in A to time } s)$$

$$\times P_i(\text{transition to B in time } s, s+ds)$$

$$\times P(\text{remains in B to time } T) ds$$

$$= \int_{s=0}^T P_{\overline{AA}}(s) \times 2s \times P_{\overline{BB}}(s, T) ds$$

$$= \int_{s=0}^T e^{-s^2} \times 2s \times e^{-T^2+s^2} ds$$

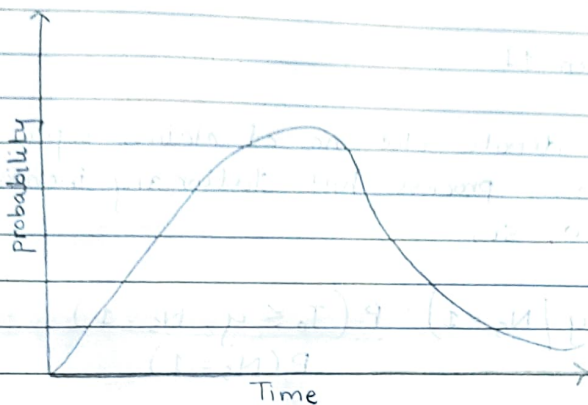
$$= \int_{s=0}^T 2s \times e^{-T^2+s^2} ds$$

$$= \int_{s=0}^T 2s \times e^{-T^2} ds$$

$$= e^{-T^2} \times T^2$$

iii.

a.



b. Initially probability increases from 0 at $T=0$ and accelerates as the transition rate from A to B increases. However, as transitions increase, it becomes more likely that the process has already visited state B and jumped back to A. Therefore, the probability of being in the 1st visit to B tends (exponentially) to 0.

c. Differentiate to find turning point.

$$\frac{d}{dt} [e^{-t^2} \times t^2] = 2t \times e^{-t^2} - 2t^3 \times e^{-t^2}, \text{ equate to 0.}$$

$$e^{-t^2} \times 2t \times (1 - t^2) = 0$$

This is maxima

Question 11.

iii.

- i. Let N_t denote the no. of claims upto time t . Since the Poisson process has stationary increments, we may take $t=0$, so,

$$P(T_0 \leq y | N_s = 1) = \frac{P(T_0 \leq y, N_s = 1)}{P(N_s = 1)}$$

$$= \frac{P(N_y = 1, N_s - N_y = 0)}{P(N_s = 1)}$$

$N_s - N_y$ is independent of N_y and has the same distribution as N_{s-y}

RHS =

$$\frac{(\lambda_y e^{-\lambda y}) e^{-\lambda(s-y)}}{\lambda s e^{-\lambda s}} = \frac{y}{s}$$

which is the CDF of uniform distribution on $[0, s]$

- ii. $\therefore$ Holding times are independent and have an exponential distribution.

Joint Density $\rightarrow \lambda^n e^{-\lambda(t_1 + t_2 + t_3 + \dots + t_n)} \cdot 1$

$$\{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n > 0\}$$

iii

$$P(N_s = k / N_t = n)$$

$$= \frac{P(N_s = k, N_t = n)}{P(N_t = n)}$$

$$= \frac{P(N_s = k, N_t - N_s = n - k)}{P(N_t = n)}$$

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

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

$$= \frac{n!}{k! (n-k)!} \cdot \frac{s^k (t-s)^{n-k}}{t^k t^{n-k}}$$

$$= \frac{n!}{k! (n-k)!} \left(\frac{s}{t} \right)^k \left(\frac{t-s}{t} \right)^{n-k}$$

which is binomial with parameters n and $\frac{s}{t}$.