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### TIME-INHOMOGENEOUS EXPONENTIAL

A exponential random variable  $T \sim Exp(\lambda)$  has time-inhomogeneous rate iff  $\lambda = \lambda(t)$  is a function  $\lambda : [0, \infty[ \to \mathbb{R}^+.$ 

- Cumulative rate is  $\Lambda(t) = \int_0^t \lambda(s) ds$
- Cdf is  $\mathbb{P}(T < t) = 1 e^{-\Lambda(t)}$
- Survival probability is  $\mathbb{P}(T > t) = e^{-\Lambda(t)}$

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P(+ >+) = 10 ~ wif (0,1)

To sample a time-inhomogeneous by inversion method  $Exp(\lambda(t))$ , one has to solve  $e^{-\Lambda(t)} = U$ , iff  $\Lambda(t) = -\log U = \xi$ , with  $\xi \sim Exp(1)$ .

If  $\lambda$  is constant, then  $\Lambda(t) = \lambda t$ , and one has  $t = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \log(U)$ .

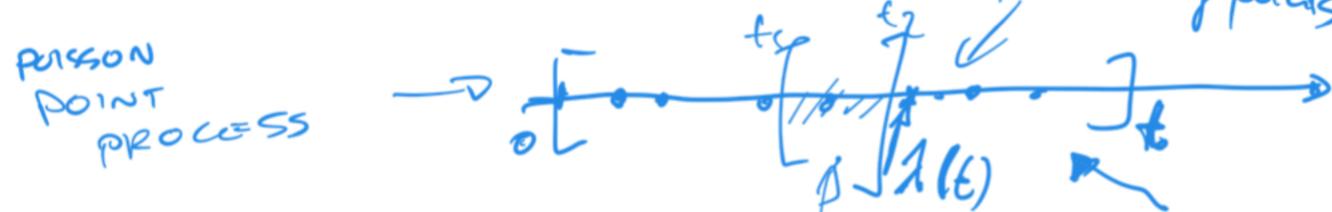
In general, one can either integrate  $\lambda(t)$  or the equivalent ODE  $\frac{d\Lambda(t)}{dt} = \lambda(t)$  and check for the root of  $\Lambda(t) + \log(U)$  along the solution.

$$A(t) = 3$$

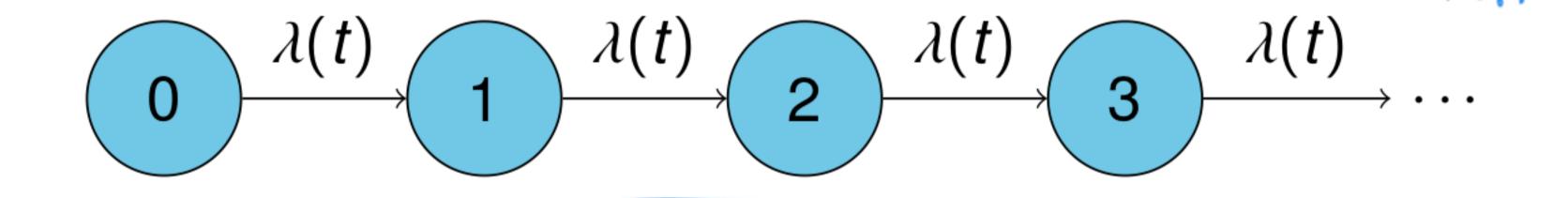
$$t = 1^{-1}(3)$$

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### TIME-INHOMOGENEOUS POISSON PROCESS



A time-inhomogeneous Poisson process  $\mathcal{N}_{\lambda}(0,t)$ ,  $\lambda = \lambda(t)$ , is a Poisson process with time-varying rate.



It can be shown (same generating function argument as above) that the distribution of  $\mathcal{N}_{\lambda}(0,t)$  is  $Poisson(\Lambda(t))$ , i.e. it is the r.v.

$$\mathcal{Y}(\Lambda(t)) = \mathcal{Y}(\int_0^t \lambda(s)ds).$$

# TIME-INHOMOGENEOUS CTMC $P(t_1,t_2) = P(t_1,t_2) \cdot P(t_1,t_2)$

In general, if the rate matrix Q of a CTMC depends on time, Q = Q(t), then the CTMC is time inhomogeneous.

The probability semigroup depends now also on the initial time:

$$P_{ij}(t_1,t_2)=\mathbb{P}\{X(t_2)=s_j\mid X(t_1)=s_i\}.$$

### FORWARD KOLMOGOROV EQUATION

$$\frac{\partial P(t_1,t_2)}{\partial t_2} = P(t_1,t_2)Q(t_2)$$

### BACKWARD KOLMOGOROV EQUATION

$$\frac{\partial P(t_1, t_2)}{\partial t_1} = Q(t_1)P(t_1, t_2)$$

## POISSON REPRESENTATION



Population CTMC admit a simple description in terms of Poisson processes.

Essentially, we introduce variables  $R_{\eta}(t)$  counting how many times each transition  $\eta$  has fired up to time t. Hence we can write:

$$X(t) = X(0) + \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{T}} \mathbf{v}_{\eta} R_{\eta}(t)$$

It turns out that  $R_{\eta}(t)$  is a time-inhomogeneous Poisson process with cumulative rate  $\int_0^t r_{\eta}(X(s))ds$ , independent from the other  $R_{\eta'}$ . Hence, let  $\mathcal{N}_{\eta}$  be independent Poisson processes. For each  $t \geq 0$ :

$$X(t) = X(0) + \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{T}} \mathbf{v}_{\eta} \mathcal{N}_{\eta} \left( \int_{0}^{t} r_{\eta}(X(s)) ds \right).$$

Equivalently, let  $\mathcal{Y}_{\eta}$  be independent Poisson r.v. It holds:

$$X(t) = X(0) + \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{T}} \mathbf{v}_{\eta} \mathcal{Y}_{\eta} \left( \int_{0}^{t} r_{\eta}(X(s)) ds \right).$$