

Løsninger 4

1. a) By definition,

$$\kappa_t(\alpha) = \mathbf{E} [e^{\alpha Y_t}] = \mathbf{E} \left[\mathbf{E} \left[e^{\alpha(X_1 + \dots + X_{N_t})} \mid N_t \right] \right]. \quad (1)$$

Since $\{X_i\}$ is i.i.d.,

$$\mathbf{E} \left[e^{\alpha(X_1 + \dots + X_n)} \right] = \mathbf{E} [e^{\alpha X_1}] \dots \mathbf{E} [e^{\alpha X_n}] = \hat{\kappa}(\alpha)^n$$

for any positive integer n . Hence (1) becomes

$$\kappa_t(\alpha) = \mathbf{E} [\hat{\kappa}(\alpha)^{N_t}] = \mathbf{E} \left[e^{(\log \hat{\kappa}(\alpha)) N_t} \right]. \quad (2)$$

Since N_t has a Poisson(λt) distribution,

$$\mathbf{E} [e^{\alpha N_t}] = e^{\lambda t(e^\alpha - 1)}.$$

Hence (2) yields

$$\kappa_t(\alpha) = e^{\lambda t(\hat{\kappa}(\alpha) - 1)}.$$

b) The sample paths are clearly cadlag (just draw a the graph of a possible path). Also, the increments are independent, since $\{N_t\}$ has independent increments and the sequence $\{X_i\}$ is i.i.d.

What needs to be shown is that $\{Y_t\}$ has *stationary* increments, i.e.,

$$Y_{t+s} - Y_t \stackrel{d}{=} Y_s.$$

To this end, note that

$$\begin{aligned} \exp\{\lambda(t+s)(\hat{\kappa}(\alpha) - 1)\} &= \mathbf{E} [e^{\alpha Y_{t+s}}] \\ &= \mathbf{E} \left[e^{\alpha(Y_{t+s} - Y_t)} \right] \mathbf{E} [e^{\alpha Y_t}] \quad (\text{by independence}) \\ &= \mathbf{E} \left[e^{\alpha(Y_{t+s} - Y_t)} \right] \cdot e^{\lambda t(\hat{\kappa}(\alpha) - 1)}, \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$\mathbf{E} \left[e^{\alpha(X_{t+s} - X_t)} \right] = e^{\lambda s(\hat{\kappa}(\alpha) - 1)} = \mathbf{E} [e^{\alpha X_s}],$$

which establishes stationarity (due to the fact that the moment generating function uniquely characterizes a distribution).

2. a) If a r.v. Y has a Normal(0, 1) distribution, then its moment generating function is given by

$$\mathbf{E} [e^{\alpha Y}] = e^{\alpha^2/2}.$$

Hence $X_1 - 1 \sim \text{Normal}(0, 1)$ implies

$$\Lambda(\alpha) = \log \mathbf{E} [e^{\alpha(X_1-1)+\alpha}] = \log(e^\alpha \cdot e^{\alpha^2/2}) = \alpha\left(\frac{\alpha}{2} + 1\right).$$

Letting α^* denote the nonzero solution to the equation $\Lambda(\alpha) = 0$, we then obtain that $(\alpha^*/2 + 1) = 0$, or $\alpha^* = -2$.

- b) Since $\Lambda(\alpha^*) = 0$, $M_t \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} e^{\alpha^* X_t}$ is a martingale. Hence by the optional sampling theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= \mathbf{E}[e^{\alpha^* X_T}] \\ &= e^{\alpha^* a} \mathbf{P}\{X_T \geq a\} + e^{-\alpha^* a} \mathbf{P}\{X_T \leq -a\} \\ &= e^{-2a} (1 - \mathbf{P}\{X_T \leq -a\}) + e^{2a} \mathbf{P}\{X_T \leq -a\}, \end{aligned}$$

which yields

$$\mathbf{P}\{X_T \leq -a\} = \frac{1 - e^{-2a}}{e^{2a} - e^{-2a}}.$$

3. a) The argument is the same for the processes $\{N_t^{(1)}\}$ and $\{N_t^{(0)}\}$, so it suffices to establish the result for $\{N_t^{(1)}\}$.

Since $\{N_t\}$ and $\{X_i\}$ are independent,

$$\mathbf{P}\{N_h^{(1)}\} = \lambda h \mathbf{P}\{X_1 = 1\} + o(h) = \lambda p h + o(h),$$

and

$$\mathbf{P}\{N_h^{(1)} \geq 2\} \leq \mathbf{P}\{N_h \geq 2\} = o(h).$$

Furthermore, the increments of $N_t^{(1)}$ are independent, since $\{N_t\}$ has independent increments and the sequence $\{X_i\}$ is i.i.d. (implying that the random jumps $\{X_N, \dots, X_{N'}\}$ which occur in some time interval $[t, s]$ are independent of those jumps which occur at some subsequent time interval $[\tilde{t}, \tilde{s}]$, where $\tilde{t} \geq s$). Also, the increments of $N_t^{(1)}$ are stationary, since

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{P}\{N_{t+s} - N_t = k; X_{N+1} = x_1, \dots, X_{N+k} = x_k\} \\ = \mathbf{P}\{N_s = k; X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_k = x_k\}. \end{aligned}$$

(Alternatively, you could also proceed by computing the moment generating function for the corresponding intervals, as in Problem 2(b) below.)

b) Recall that the probability of m “heads” in $m + n$ trials is given by

$$\frac{(m+n)!}{m!n!} p^m (1-p)^n,$$

where p is the probability of “heads.” [This fact is used in the standard derivation of the binomial distribution.] Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{P} \left\{ N_t^{(1)} = m, N_t^{(0)} = n \right\} &= \mathbf{P} \left\{ N_t = m+n \text{ and } X_1 + \dots + X_{k+l} = m \right\} \\ &= \frac{(\lambda t)^{m+n}}{(m+n)!} e^{-\lambda t} \cdot \frac{(m+n)!}{m!n!} p^m q^n \\ &= \frac{(\lambda p t)^m}{m!} e^{-\lambda p t} \cdot \frac{(\lambda q t)^n}{n!} e^{-\lambda q t} \\ &= \mathbf{P} \left\{ N_t^{(1)} = m \right\} \mathbf{P} \left\{ N_t^{(0)} = n \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

which establishes independence.

4. (af H. Schmidli)

a) i) We condition on the first event T_1 . If $T_1 = s$ there are two different cases. If $s \leq t$ a renewal process starts at s and the quantity of interest is $Z(t-s)$. If $s > t$ we have $N_t = 0$ and therefore $A_t = s-t$. The event of interest is $\mathbb{1}_{s-t > x}$. This yields the renewal equation

$$Z(t) = 1 - F(t+x) + \int_0^t Z(t-s) dF(s).$$

ii) The function $1 - F(t+x)$ is decreasing. Therefore it is directly Riemann integrable if it is integrable. The integral is

$$\int_0^\infty 1 - F(t+x) dt = \int_x^\infty 1 - F(t) dt \leq \int_0^\infty 1 - F(t) dt = \lambda^{-1} < \infty$$

and is therefore finite.

iii) The renewal theorem yields the limit

$$\lambda \int_0^\infty 1 - F(t+x) dt = \lambda \int_x^\infty 1 - F(t) dt.$$

b) i) If $T_1 = s$ and $s \leq t$ the event of interest is $Z(t-s)$. If $s > t$ we have $B_t = t$ and the event of interest is $\mathbb{1}_{t \leq x}$. This yields the renewal equation

$$Z(t) = \mathbb{1}_{t \leq x} (1 - F(t)) + \int_0^t Z(t-s) dF(s).$$

ii) The function $\mathbb{1}_{t \leq x}(1 - F(t))$ is decreasing. Therefore it is directly Riemann integrable if it is integrable. The integral is

$$\int_0^\infty \mathbb{1}_{t \leq x}(1 - F(t)) dt = \int_0^x 1 - F(t) dt \leq x < \infty$$

and is therefore finite.

iii) The renewal theorem yields the limit

$$\lambda \int_0^\infty \mathbb{1}_{t \leq x}(1 - F(t)) dt = \lambda \int_0^x 1 - F(t) dt .$$

Note that the asymptotic distributions are the same as the initial distribution in the stationary case.