

Theorem: Let  $\bar{X}$  be a cont. time Markov chain started with the stationary distributed  $\pi$ . Fix  $T > 0$  (large) and let

$$\bar{Y}_t = \bar{X}_{T-t}$$

Then  $\bar{Y}$  is cont time Markov chain with transition prob.

$$\hat{P}_t(i, j) = \frac{\pi_j P_t(j, i)}{\pi_i}$$

Proof: Need to prove that

$$\frac{\pi_j P_t(j, i)}{\pi_i} = P[\bar{Y}_{s+t} = j \mid \bar{Y}_s = i \wedge \bar{Y}_{s_1} = i_1 \wedge \bar{Y}_{s_2} = i_2 = \dots = \bar{Y}_{s_n} = i_n]$$

where  $s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n < s$ .

We have

$$\begin{aligned} & P[\bar{Y}_{s+t} = j \mid \bar{Y}_s = i \wedge \bar{Y}_{s_1} = i_1 \wedge \bar{Y}_{s_2} = i_2 = \dots = \bar{Y}_{s_n} = i_n] \\ = & \frac{P[\bar{Y}_{s+t} = j \wedge \bar{Y}_s = i \wedge \bar{Y}_{s_1} = i_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \bar{Y}_{s_n} = i_n]}{P[\bar{Y}_s = i \wedge \bar{Y}_{s_1} = i_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \bar{Y}_{s_n} = i_n]} \\ = & \frac{P[\bar{X}_{T-(s+t)} = j \wedge \bar{X}_{T-s} = i \wedge \bar{X}_{T-s_1} = i_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \bar{X}_{T-s_n} = i_n]}{P[\bar{X}_{T-s} = i \wedge \bar{X}_{T-s_1} = i_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \bar{X}_{T-s_n} = i_n]} \\ = & \frac{P[\bar{X}_{T-(s+t)} = j \mid \bar{X}_{T-s} = i \wedge \bar{X}_{T-s_1} = i_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \bar{X}_{T-s_n} = i_n]}{P[\bar{X}_{T-s} = i]} \cdot \frac{P[\bar{X}_{T-s} = i]}{P[\bar{X}_{T-s} = i]} \\ = & \frac{P[\bar{X}_{T-(s+t)} = j \mid \bar{X}_{T-s} = i]}{P[\bar{X}_{T-s} = i]} = \frac{\pi(j) P_t(j, i)}{\pi(i)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P[B|C] &= \frac{P[A \cap B|C]}{P[B|C]} \\ &= \frac{P[A \cap B \cap C]}{P[B \cap C]} \end{aligned}$$

Question: Is dual time the reverse process is the same as the original process when the detailed balance equation is satisfied? Does this still hold?

Prop: Assume that  $\pi$  satisfies the detailed balance equation.

Then  $\pi_i p_t(i,j) = \pi_j p_t(j,i)$  for all  $i, j$  and  $t$ .

Proof (almost): Detailed balance equation

$$\pi_i q_{ij} = \pi_j q_{ji} \text{ for all } i, j.$$

By Kolmogorov's BE:

$$p_t'(i,j) = \sum_{k \neq i} q_{ik} p_t(k,j) - \lambda_i p_t(i,j) \quad | \quad \pi_i$$

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$$\rightarrow y_t'(i,j) = \sum_{k \neq i} q_{ki} y_t(k,j) - \lambda_i y_t(i,j)$$

$$\boxed{y_t' = Q^T y_t}$$

Note:

$$y_t(i,j) = \pi_i p_t(i,j)$$

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$$z_t'(i,j) = \sum_{k \neq i} z_t(k,j) q_{ki} - \lambda_i z_t(i,j)$$

$$\boxed{z_t' = Q^T z_t}$$

$$\boxed{z_t(i,j) = \pi_j p_t(j,i)}$$

Hence  $y_t$  and  $z_t$  satisfy the D.E. with the same initial

conditions  $y_0 = \begin{pmatrix} \pi_0 \\ \pi_1 \\ \pi_2 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} = z_0$

Since the equation has a unique solution, we have  $y_t = z_t$  for all

Hence

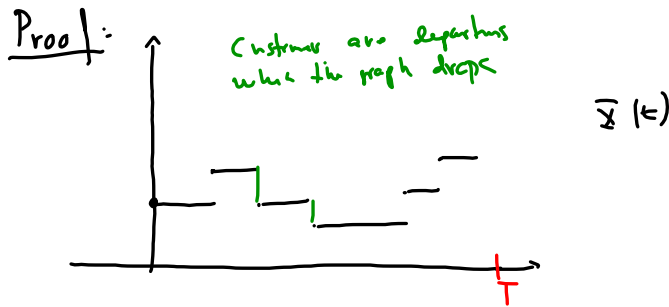
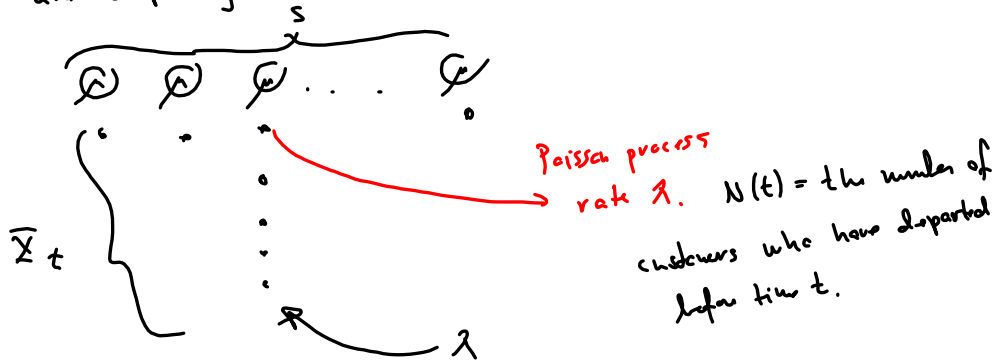
$$\pi_i p_t(i,j) = y_t(i,j) = z_t(i,j) = \pi_j p_t(j,i).$$

Corollary: If  $\pi$  satisfies the detailed balance equation, then the backward process has the same trans. prob. as the forward process: i.e.

$$\hat{p}_t(i,j) = p_t(i,j)$$

Proof:  $\hat{p}_t(i,j) = \frac{\pi_j p_t(j,i)}{\pi_i} \stackrel{DB}{=} \frac{\pi_i p_t(i,j)}{\pi_i} = p_t(i,j)$

Theorem: Consider a M/M/1-queue with  $\lambda < \mu$  and assume that it is started with its stationary distribution. Then customers are departing from the system like a Poisson process with rate  $\lambda$ .



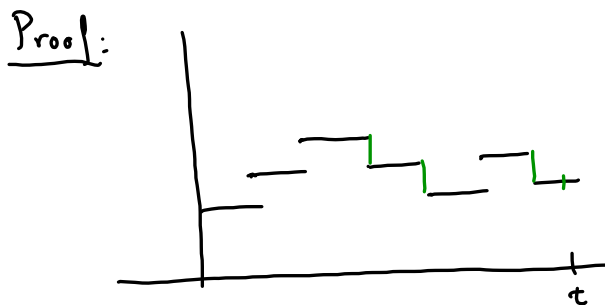
Customers leave when the backward process increases  
 = as often as the forward process increases  
 = according to Poisson rate  $\lambda$ .

Observation: The argument still goes through even when the servers are not Markovian, provided a stationary distribution exists.

Theorem:  $\bar{X}(t)$  and  $N(t)$  are independent

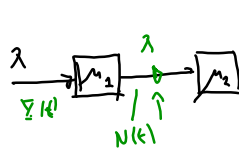
↑  
customers  
currently  
in queue

↑  
customers  
who have  
left



Look at the backward  
process. Then  $N(t)$  is  
counting how many customers  
that will arrive in the  
future, and that is  
independent of  $\bar{X}_t$  since  
customers will arrive at rate  
 $\lambda$  independent of what  $\bar{X}_t$  is.

Systems of queues (sect. 4.6)

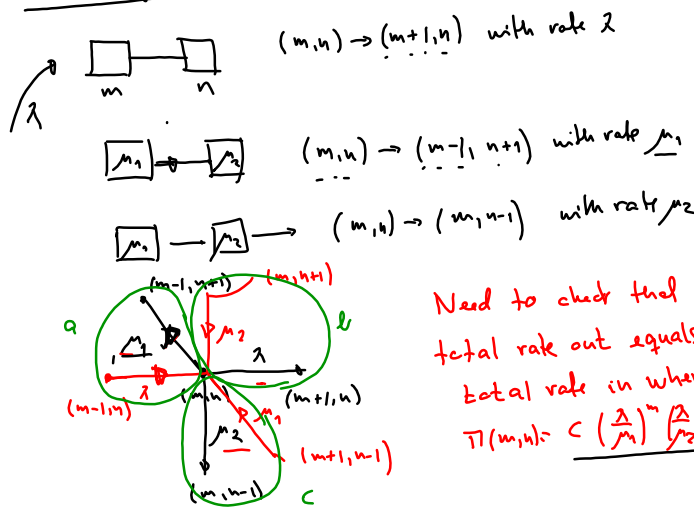


equilibrium distribution  
Need  $\lambda < \mu_1$   
First and second waits  
independently.

Guess for stationary distribution: Server 1  $\pi_1(m) = \frac{\mu_2 - \lambda}{\lambda} \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_1}\right)^m$   
Server 2:  $\pi_2(n) = \frac{\mu_2 - \lambda}{\lambda} \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_2}\right)^n$

$$\pi(m, n) = \frac{\mu_1 - \lambda}{\lambda} \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_1}\right)^m \frac{\mu_2 - \lambda}{\lambda} \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_2}\right)^n = c \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_1}\right)^m \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_2}\right)^n$$

Want to check that this really is a stationary distribution:  
kind of transition:



Need to check that  
total rate out equals  
total rate in when  
 $\pi(m, n) = c \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_1}\right)^m \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_2}\right)^n$

Look at a: Out  $\mu_1 \pi(m, n) = \mu_1 c \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_1}\right)^m \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_2}\right)^n$   
In  $\lambda \pi(m-1, n) = \lambda c \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_1}\right)^{m-1} \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_2}\right)^n$   
 $= c \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_1}\right)^m \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_2}\right)^n$

Look at b: Out:  $\lambda c \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_1}\right)^m \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_2}\right)^n$   
In:  $\mu_2 c \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_1}\right)^m \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_2}\right)^{n+1} = \lambda c \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_1}\right)^m \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_2}\right)^n$

Look at c: Out:  $\mu_2 c \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_1}\right)^m \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_2}\right)^n$   
In:  $\mu_1 c \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_1}\right)^{m+1} \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_2}\right)^{n-1} = \lambda c \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_1}\right)^m \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_2}\right)^n$

