

(52) another example of a point process:

Def. 5.19 (Poisson random measure (PRM))

Let  $\mu$  be a random measure on  $\mathcal{A}^* = \mathcal{B}(E)$ , that is  $\mu(K) < \infty$  for all compact  $K \in \mathcal{A}^*$ . Then a point process  $N$  is called Poisson random measure with mean measure  $\mu$  (PRM( $\mu$ )) if

- (i)  $N(A) \sim \text{Pois}(\mu(A))$  for all  $A \in \mathcal{A}^*$
- (ii)  $N(A_1), \dots, N(A_n)$  indep. r.v.'s, if  $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset, i \neq j, i=1, \dots, n$

Ex. 5.20 (homogeneous Poisson proc.)

$E = [0, \infty)$ , mean measure  $\mu(A) := \int_0^\infty \lambda \cdot \mathbb{1}_A(t) dt$ ,  $A \in \mathcal{B}([0, \infty))$   
 $A = [0, t]$   $N(\omega, A) = N(t)$ ,  $t \geq 0$  Poisson process with intensity  $\lambda$   
 (exercise)

We now want to discuss an example of a point process given by the cluster point process in connection with the general cluster model:

Def. 5.21 (General cluster model)

The general cluster model is described by the following conditions:

- (i) Claims arrive at (non-delayed) reporting times  $0 < T_1 < T_2 < \dots, i \geq 1$
- (ii) Each claim at  $T_i$  triggers a cluster of payments  $X_{ij} \geq 0$  ( $X_{ij}$  r.v.) to the insured at time

$$T_{ij} = T_i + \sum_{k=1}^j Y_{ik}$$

for all  $1 \leq j \leq K_i$ , where  $K_i \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$  and  $Y_{ij}, j \geq 1$  are positive r.v.'s.

→  $\sum_{k=1}^{K_i} X_{ik}$  sum of all payments to the insured  $(T_i, T_{ij}]$

Let us now introduce the following point process, called cluster point process w.r.t.

$$E = [0, \infty) \times [0, \infty)^{\mathbb{N}} \times [0, \infty)^{\mathbb{N}} \times \mathbb{N}, \quad (5.3)$$

where  $[0, \infty)^{\mathbb{N}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{(a_n)_{n \geq 1} : a_j \in [0, \infty) \text{ for all } j \geq 1\}$

→  $E$  complete separable metric space

(53) with metric  $d$  given by

$$d(x, y) = |t_1 - t_2| + S(Y_1, Y_2) + S(X_1, X_2) + |k_1 - k_2|$$

for  $x = (t_1, Y_1, X_1, k_1), y = (t_2, Y_2, X_2, k_2) \in E$ , where  $S$  is a metric on  $[0, \infty)^{\mathbb{N}}$  defined by

$$S(X_1, X_2) = \sum_{j \geq 1} 2^{-j} \frac{|x_j^{(1)} - x_j^{(2)}|}{1 + |x_j^{(1)} - x_j^{(2)}|}, \quad X_1 = (x_j^{(1)})_{j \geq 1}, \quad X_2 = (x_j^{(2)})_{j \geq 1} \in [0, \infty)^{\mathbb{N}}$$

Define  $Z_i: \Omega \rightarrow E$  r.v. (w.r.t.  $\mathcal{A}^* = \mathcal{B}(E)$ ) by

$$Z_i(\omega) = (T_i(\omega), \underbrace{(Y_{ij}(\omega))_{j \geq 1}}_{=: A_i}, \underbrace{(X_{ij}(\omega))_{j \geq 1}}_{=: A_i}, K_i(\omega)), \quad i \geq 1$$

$$\rightarrow N(\omega, A) := \sum_{i \geq 1} \mathbb{E}_{Z_i(\omega)}(A) = \sum_{i \geq 1} \mathbb{E}_{(T_i(\omega), A_i(\omega))}^{(A)}, \quad (5.4)$$

$A \in E$  is a point process (marked by  $(A_i)_{i \geq 1}$ ), if for all  $\omega$   $Z_i(\omega) \in K$  for finitely many  $i$ ,  $K \subseteq E$  compact

→ Application: chain ladder method

→ popular method in insurance for estimating reserves

→ based on the chain ladder model

→ model for claim numbers / total claim amounts based on the cluster process model

Notation: periods of time (e.g. in years)

$$C_i := (i-1, i], \quad C_{i, itj} := (i-1, itj]$$

→  $N_{i, itj} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{number of payments in } C_{i, itj} \text{ arising from reporting times } T_n \text{ in } C_i$

$$= \#\{(n, l) : T_n \in C_i, T_{nl} \in C_{i, itj}, n \geq 1, 1 \leq l \leq k_i\}$$

$$= \sum_{n \geq 1} \sum_{l=1}^{k_i} \mathbb{1}_{\{T_n \in C_i, T_{nl} \in C_{i, itj}\}}$$

$$= \sum_{n \geq 1} \sum_{l=1}^{k_i} \mathbb{1}_{\{T_n \in C_i, T_n + \sum_{j=1}^l Y_{nj} \in C_{i, itj}\}}$$

$$\stackrel{(5.2)}{=} \int_E f(\underbrace{(t_1, (y_j)_{j \geq 1}, (x_j)_{j \geq 1}, k)}_Z) N(d(\underbrace{(t_1, (y_j)_{j \geq 1}, (x_j)_{j \geq 1}, k)}_Z)) \quad (5.5)$$

where  $f(z) = f((t_1, (y_j)_{j \geq 1}, (x_j)_{j \geq 1}, k)) := \sum_{l=1}^k \mathbb{1}_{\{z \in C_{i, it} + Y_1 + \dots + Y_l \in C_{i, itj}\}}$  is a (measurable) function on  $E$

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$S_{i, itj} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{sum of all payments in } C_{i, itj} \text{ (triggered at reporting times } T_n \in C_i$

$$= \sum_{n \geq 1} \sum_{\ell \geq 1} x_{n\ell} \mathbb{1}_{\{T_n \in C_i, T_{n\ell} \in C_{i, itj}\}}$$

$$\stackrel{(5.2)}{=} \int g(z) N(dz), \quad (5.6)$$

where  $g(z) = E g(\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_{j+1}, x_j, \dots, x_{j+1}, \kappa) := \sum_{\ell=1}^{\kappa} x_{\ell} \mathbb{1}_{\{t \in C_{i, itj}, t+\tau \dots +\tau \ell \in C_{i, itj}\}}$

→ chain ladder given by  $(N_{i, itj}, S_{i, itj}), i=1, \dots, m, 1 \leq itj \leq m$ :

$$\begin{matrix} (N_{1,11}, S_{1,11}) & (N_{1,12}, S_{1,12}) & \dots & (N_{1,m}, S_{1,m}) \\ (N_{2,21}, S_{2,21}) & \dots & (N_{2,m}, S_{2,m}) & \\ \vdots & & & \\ (N_{m,m}, S_{m,m}) \end{matrix} \quad (5.7)$$

→ If  $C_m$  is the present year, then the chain ladder provides the complete annual information on payments in present and past years

$C_m$  present year → central problem

How can we predict or estimate the future claim numbers  $N_{i, m+1}$  or total claim amounts  $S_{i, m+1}, i=1, \dots, m$  based on past and present observations

$N_{i, itj}, 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq itj \leq m$  or  $S_{i, itj}, 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq itj \leq m$  in (5.7), respectively?

→ possible solution: best predictor/estimator  $\hat{\mu}$  of  $N_{i, m+1}$  given by the minimizer of  $E[(N_{i, m+1} - Y)^2]$  w.r.t. r.v.'s  $Y$  which are functions of  $N_{i, itj}, 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq itj \leq m$

L.4.1.4 →  $\hat{\mu} = E[N_{i, m+1} | N_{\ell, \ell+j}, 1 \leq \ell \leq m, 1 \leq \ell+j \leq m]$

reasonable assumption:  $N_{i, itj}, i \geq 1$  independent r.v.'s

for each  $j$   
proof of Exer 2.4, Prob. 2 →  $\hat{\mu} = E[N_{i, m+1} | N_{i,1}, \dots, N_{i,m}] \quad (5.8)$

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(4.3)  $\hat{\mu} = g(N_{i1}, \dots, N_{im})$ ,  $g$  function

→ problem:  $g$  non-linear in general and difficult or impossible to compute

→ possible solution: "approximation" of  $\hat{\mu}$  by a linear function of  $N_{i1}, \dots, N_{im}$  or if we additionally require memorylessness of  $N_{i1}, \dots, N_{im}$  by a linear function of  $N_{im}$ , that is

$$\hat{\mu} \approx c \cdot N_{im} \tag{5.9}$$

for a constant  $c$

(5.8), (5.9) same arguments for  $S_{i1}, \dots, S_{ij}$

Mack's model:

Def. 5.22 (Mack's model)

In addition to (i) and (ii) in Def. 5.21 we assume that

(iii) The r.v.'s  $(N_{i1}, S_{i1}), (N_{i2}, S_{i2}), \dots$  are i.i.d. w.r.t  $i=1, 2, \dots$

(iv)  $N_{i1}, S_{i1} > 0$  with prob. 1,  $i \geq 1, j \geq 0$  and for all  $j$  there ex. real numbers  $f_j, g_j$  s.t. for all  $i$ ,

and  $E[N_{i1+j} | N_{i1}, \dots, N_{i1+j-1}] = f_j N_{i1+j-1}$  (5.10)

$$E[S_{i1+j} | S_{i1}, \dots, S_{i1+j-1}] = g_j S_{i1+j-1} \tag{5.11}$$

Rem. 5.23:  $N_{i1}, S_{i1} > 0$  is a serious restriction, since this excludes e.g. that  $N_{i1}$  is Poisson distributed.

→ next aim: estimation of  $f_j, g_j$  in (5.10), (5.11) from present and past observations:

W.l.o.g. let us only consider this problem in the sequel for  $f_j$  w.r.t. claim numbers

Using (iii) in Def. 5.22 and the SLLN for each fixed  $j$  we get the following sample versions of  $E[N_{i1+j}] \stackrel{(iii)}{=} E[N_{11+j}]$ ,  $\text{Var}[N_{i1+j}] \stackrel{(iii)}{=} \text{Var}[N_{11+j}]$  and  $\text{Cov}[N_{i1+j_1}, N_{i1+j_2}] \stackrel{(iii)}{=} \text{Cov}[N_{11+j_1}, N_{11+j_2}]$ :

$$(56) \quad \bar{N}_m^{(j)} := \frac{1}{m-j} \sum_{i=1}^{m-j} N_{i,i+j} \xrightarrow{m \rightarrow \infty} E[N_{1,1+j}] \quad (5.12)$$

$$[S_m^{(j)}]^2 := \frac{1}{m-j-1} \sum_{i=1}^{m-j} (N_{i,i+j} - \bar{N}_m^{(j)})^2 \xrightarrow{m \rightarrow \infty} \text{Var}[N_{1,1+j}] \quad (5.13)$$

and

$$\delta_m^{(j_1, j_2)} := \frac{1}{m-j_2} \sum_{i=1}^{m-j_2} (N_{i,i+j_1} - \bar{N}_m^{(j_1)})(N_{i,i+j_2} - \bar{N}_m^{(j_2)})$$

$$\xrightarrow{m \rightarrow \infty} \text{Cor}[N_{1,1+j_1}, N_{1,1+j_2}], \quad j_1 < j_2 \quad (5.14)$$

with prob. 1, if  $E[N_{1,1+j}], \text{Var}[N_{1,1+j}] < \infty$ .

By applying (5.10) and  $E[E[X|A]] = E[X]$ , we see that

$$E[N_{1,1+j+1}] = E[E[N_{1,1+j+1} | N_{1,1}, \dots, N_{1,1+j}]]$$

$$= E[f_j N_{1,1+j}] = f_j \cdot E[N_{1,1+j}] \stackrel{(\text{cond. iv})}{> 0}$$

$$\Rightarrow f_j = \frac{E[N_{1,1+j+1}]}{E[N_{1,1+j}]} \quad (5.15)$$

(5.12)  $\rightarrow$  for large  $m-j$

$$\hat{f}_j^{(m)} := \frac{N_m^{(j+1)}}{N_m^{(j)}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{m-j-1} N_{i,i+j+1}}{\sum_{i=1}^{m-j} N_{i,i+j}} \approx f_j \quad (5.16)$$

( $\hat{f}_j^{(m)}$  chain ladder estimator of  $f_j$ )

$\rightarrow$  Prop. 5.24 (Asymptotic properties of  $\hat{f}_j^{(m)}$ )

Assume Mack's model. Then

(i)  $\hat{f}_j^{(m)}$  is a strongly consistent estimator of  $f_j$ , that is

$$\hat{f}_j^{(m)} \xrightarrow{m \rightarrow \infty} f_j \text{ with prob. 1}$$

(ii) for all  $j \geq 0$  if  $\text{Var}[N_{1,1+j}] < \infty$  for all  $j$ , then  $\hat{f}_j^{(m)}$  is asymptotically normal that is

$$\sqrt{m} (\hat{f}_j^{(m)} - f_j) \xrightarrow{m \rightarrow \infty} \{, \} \sim N(0, \sigma^2),$$

where

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{E[(N_{1,1+j+1})^2] - f_j^2 E[(N_{1,1+j})^2]}{E[(N_{1,1+j})^2]} \quad (5.17)$$