

# Last lecture

## Continuous RV (Ch 3)

- Motivation
- Cumulative Distribution Function (Ch 3.1)
- Examples
- CDF to PMF and probabilistic density function (PDF)

## Continuous RV & Probability Density Function (Ch 3.2)

- Definition
- Facts

## Uniform Distribution (Ch 3.3)

# Agenda

Uniform Distribution (Ch 3.3)

Exponential Distribution (Ch 3.4) → Cont. Geo.

- Memoryless property
- Connect to  $\text{Geo}(p)$

Poisson process (Ch 3.5)

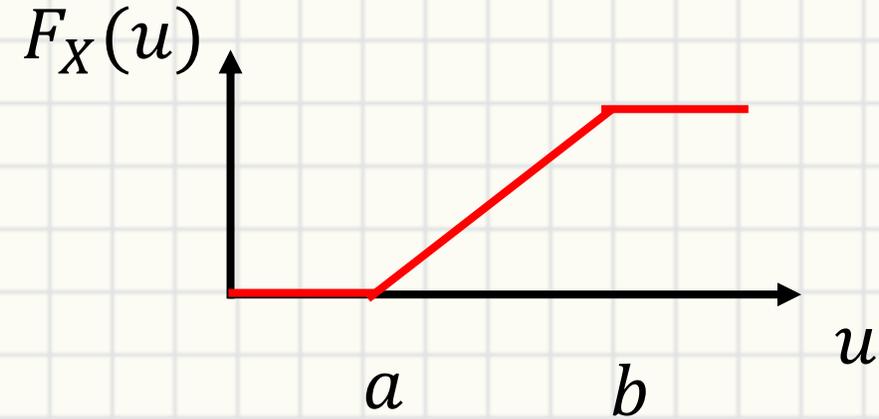
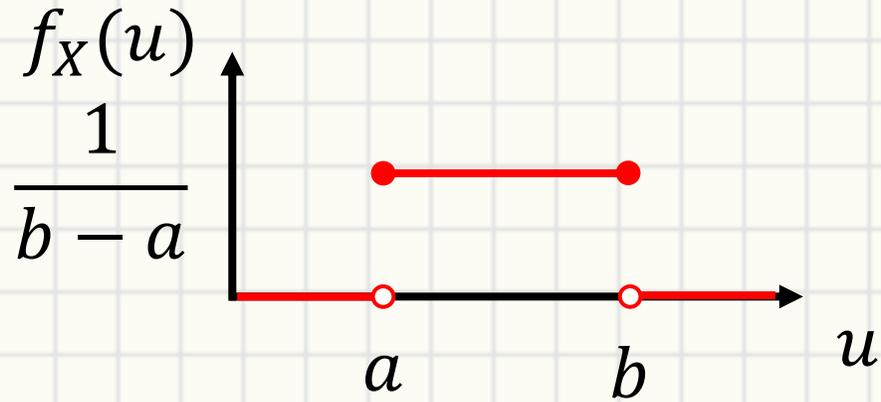
- Motivation
- Bernoulli process to Poisson process
- Definition
- Properties

Erlang Distribution (Ch 3.5.3) ⇒ Cont. NB.

# Uniform Distribution

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# Properties

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- $E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u f_X(u) du = \int_a^b \frac{u}{b-a} du = \frac{b-a}{2}$
- $E[X^2] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u^2 f_X(u) du = \int_a^b \frac{u^2}{b-a} du = \frac{b^2+ab+a^2}{3}$
- $Var(X) = \frac{(a-b)^2}{12}$
- Special case, when  $(a, b) = (0, 1)$ 
  - $k^{th}$  moment  $E[X^k] = \frac{1}{k+1}$
  - $Var(X) = \frac{1}{12}$

# Exponential Distribution

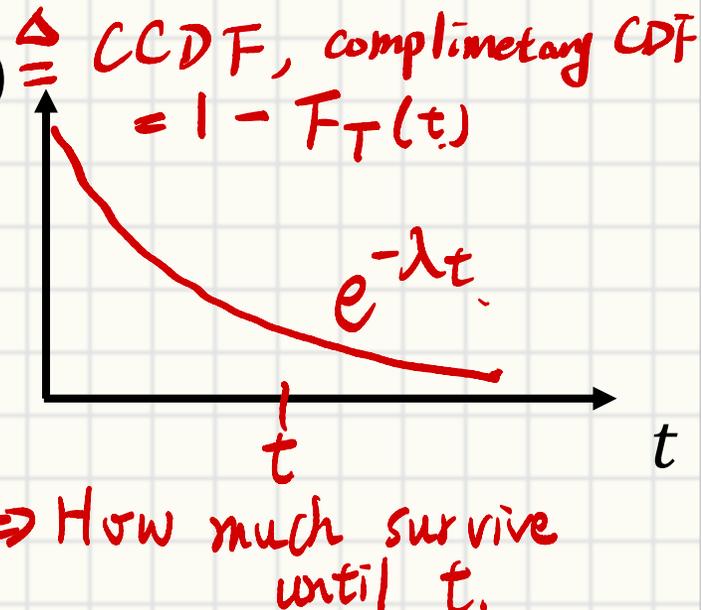
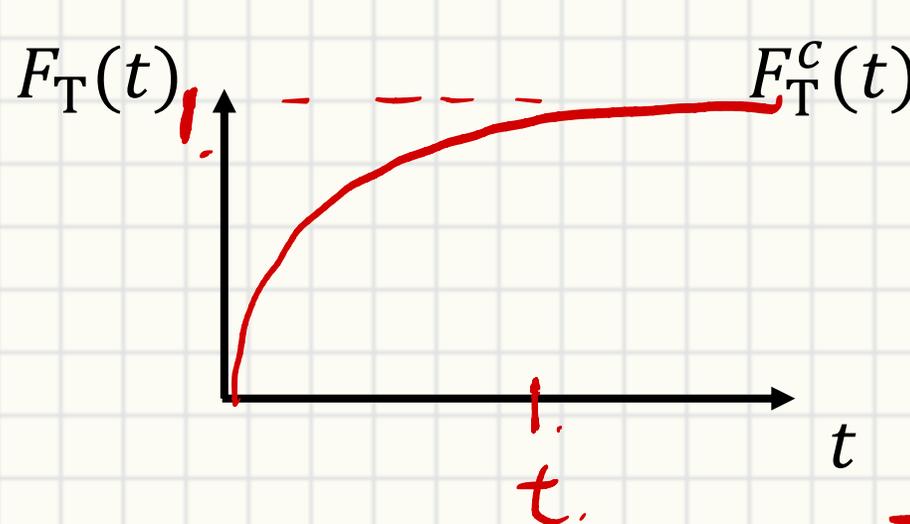
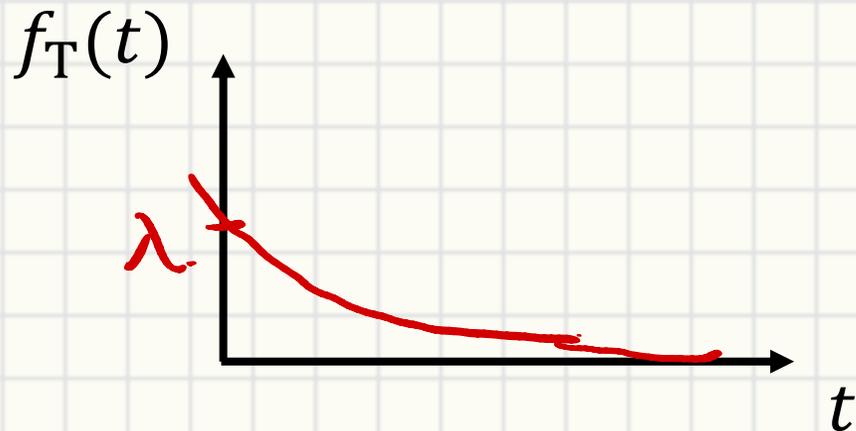
# Exponential Distribution

Motivation – System life for failure rate  $\lambda$

$$\int_0^t f_T(t)$$

$$f_T(t) = \begin{cases} \lambda e^{-\lambda t} & \text{if } t \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

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- $E[T^n] = \int_0^{\infty} t^n \lambda e^{-\lambda t} dt$   
 $= -t^n e^{-\lambda t} \Big|_0^{\infty} + \int_0^{\infty} n t^{n-1} e^{-\lambda t} dt$   
 $= 0 + \frac{n}{\lambda} \int_0^{\infty} t^{n-1} \lambda e^{-\lambda t} dt = \frac{n}{\lambda} E[T^{n-1}]$ 

Int. by part  
↳ p in Geo.

- $E[T] = \frac{1}{\lambda} \quad E[T^2] = \frac{2}{\lambda^2} \quad E[T^n] = \frac{n!}{\lambda^n}$

- $Var(T) = E[T^2] - \mu_T^2 = \frac{2}{\lambda^2} - \frac{1}{\lambda^2} = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$

# Examples

$$F_T(t) = \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-\lambda t} & \text{if } t \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Let  $T \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda = \ln 2)$ , find  $P\{T \geq t\}$  and  $P(T \leq 1 | T \leq 2)$

$$P(T \geq t) = F_T^c(t) = e^{-\lambda t} = e^{-\ln 2 t}$$

$$\frac{P\{T \leq 1, T \leq 2\}}{P\{T \leq 2\}} = \frac{F_T(1)}{F_T(2)} = \frac{1 - e^{-\lambda}}{1 - e^{-2\lambda}} = \frac{2}{3} \quad \lambda = \ln 2$$

*Note: In the handwritten solution, the term  $P\{T \leq 1, T \leq 2\}$  is crossed out with a blue line and replaced by  $P\{T \leq 1\}$  in the numerator of the fraction.*

# Memoryless Property

$$F_T(t) = \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-\lambda t} & \text{if } t \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$P\{T \geq t\} = e^{-\lambda t}$$

$$\bullet P\{T \geq s + t | T \geq s\} = \frac{e^{-\lambda(s+t)}}{e^{-\lambda s}} = e^{-\lambda t}$$

- If  $T$  is the system lifetime

$T \geq s+t | T \geq s$  = survive another  $t$ ,

$\Rightarrow T \geq t$  : survive first  $t$ .

$$= P\{T \geq t\}$$

# Connecting *Exp* with *Geo*

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Summary -  $F_L\left(\left\lfloor \frac{c}{h} \right\rfloor\right) \rightarrow F_T(c)$  when  $h \rightarrow 0$

- $L \sim Geo(p = \lambda h)$
- $T \sim Exp(\lambda = \lambda) \rightarrow$  *Time interval.*

A lightbulb of average lifetime 1000hrs

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- Let's assume it will only fail at start of each ticks  $h$  hours (e.g., sec,  $h = 1/3600$ )
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survival time



$$\begin{aligned} \bullet \quad P\{L_h h > c\} &= P\left\{L_h > \frac{c}{h}\right\} = F_{L_h}^c\left(\left\lfloor \frac{c}{h} \right\rfloor\right) = (1 - p)^{\left\lfloor \frac{c}{h} \right\rfloor} \\ &= (1 - \lambda h)^{\left\lfloor \frac{c}{h} \right\rfloor} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \bullet e^{-\lambda c} = F_T^c(c) \end{aligned}$$

# Slido – Waiting for the bus



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Say a bus comes to the stop every 10 minutes in average

- Expected waiting time follows  $T \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda = \frac{1}{10})$
- Alice knows the time last bus leave at  $t = 0$ , what's her best strategy to arrive  $t^*$  at the stop minimizing her waiting time  $T'$ ?

$$P\{T \geq T' + t^* \mid T \geq t^*\}$$

(A)  $t^* = 0$

(B)  $t^* = 5$

(C)  $t^* = 10$

(D) Doesn't matter

$$= P\{T \geq T'\}$$

# Poisson Process

# Motivation

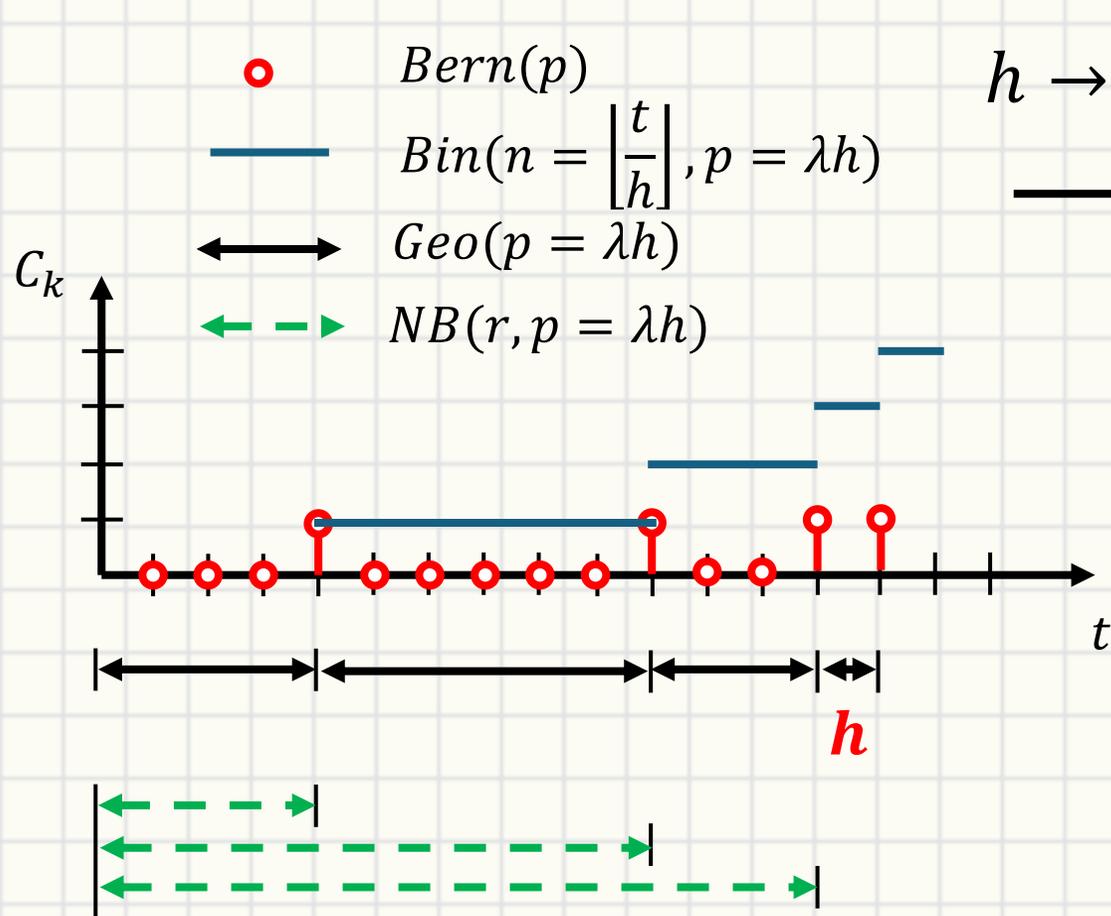
- Model the process of customer coming inside a coffee shop
- The process of incoming calls for customer service
  - If a customer (call) only comes at the *start*. of every minutes -> Bernoulli process
  - But what if we want to model the time
  - Define a small  $h$  between Bernoulli trials

# Bernoulli Process

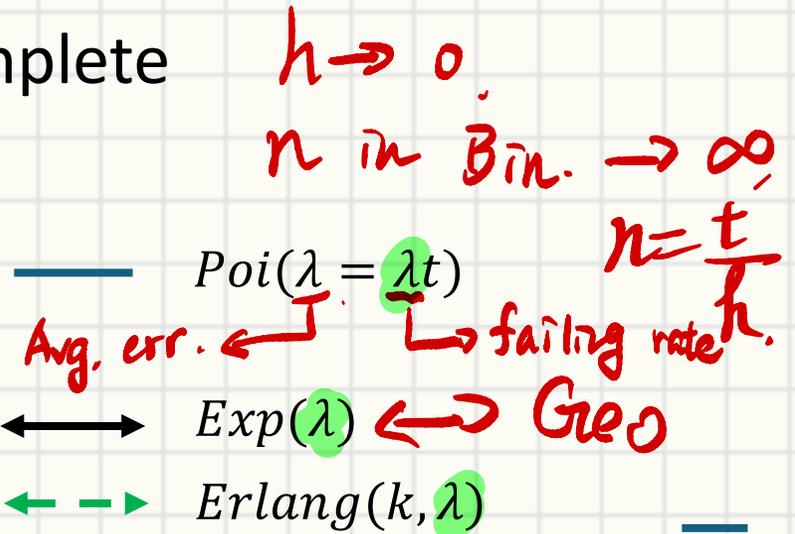
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# Poisson Process

- Assume each trial takes  $h$  time to complete



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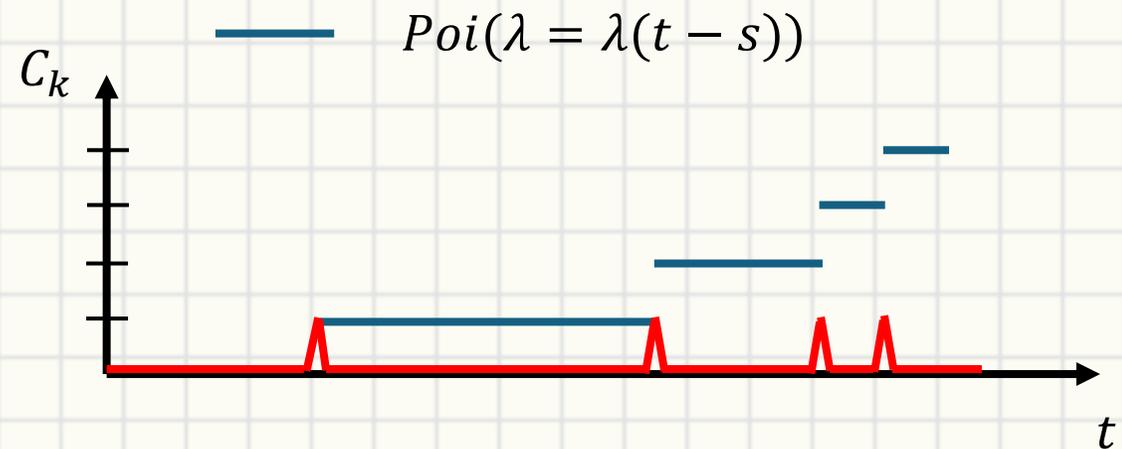
# Definition

A Poisson process with rate  $\lambda$  is a random counting process  $N = (N_t: t \geq 0)$  s.t.

- $N_t - N_s$  follows Poisson distribution  $Poi(\lambda = \lambda(t - s))$
- For  $0 \leq t_1 \leq t_2 \dots \leq t_k$ ,  $N_{t_k} - N_{t_{k-1}}$  the increments are independent with each other

*Avg # error* *rate*

*none overlap. seg.*



# Example

Consider a Poisson process with rate  $\lambda > 0$  in time interval  $[0, T]$

- $X$  is the total number of count during  $[0, T]$
- $X_1$  is the count during  $[0, \tau]$ ,  $0 < \tau < T$
- $X_2$  is the count during  $[\tau, T]$  *> none overlap*  
 *$\Rightarrow X_1$  &  $X_2$  are independent.*
- Solve  $P\{X = n\}$ ,  $P\{X_1 = i\}$  and  $P\{X_2 = j\}$

$$X \sim \text{Poi}(\lambda = \lambda T)$$
$$P_X(n) = \frac{(\lambda T)^n e^{-\lambda T}}{n!}$$

$$\frac{(\lambda \tau)^i e^{-\lambda \tau}}{i!}$$
$$\frac{[\lambda(T-\tau)]^j e^{-\lambda(T-\tau)}}{j!}$$

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- Let  $n = i + j$
- Solve  $P(X = n | X_1 = i)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= P\{X_1 = i, X_2 = j \mid X_1 = i\} \\ &= \frac{P\{X_1 = i\} P\{X_2 = j\}}{P\{X_1 = i\}} = P_{X_2}(j) \end{aligned}$$

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# Example

Calls arrive to a support center at rate  $\lambda = 2$  calls per minute.

Let  $N_t$  denotes the number of calls until time  $t$  (mins)

- $N_t \sim \text{Poi}(\lambda = 2t)$
- $P_{N_t}(k) = \frac{(2t)^k e^{-(2t)}}{k!}$
- $P\{\text{No calls arrive in the first 3.5 minutes}\} \leftarrow \text{calls before } t=3.5$
- $P\{\text{The third call arrives after time } t = 3.\} \leftarrow t=3$

$$N_{3.5} \sim \text{Poi}(\lambda = 2 \times 3.5) = \text{Poi}(\lambda = 7)$$

$$P_{N_{3.5}}(0) = \frac{7^0 e^{-7}}{0!} = e^{-7}, \quad \sum_{k=0}^2 P_{N_3}(k)$$