

Probability Theory

2nd. TEST

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- Please justify your answers.
- This test has two pages and four groups. The total of points: 20.0.

Group V — Independence and Bernoulli/Poisson processes 6.0 points

1. A Bernoulli process with parameter p has already been used in the investigation of earths magnetic field reversals,¹ with Bernoulli trials separated by 282 ky (i.e. 282 thousand years). (2.5)

Prove that, given that the 4th. geomagnetic reversal occurred at the 100th. Bernoulli trial (that is, $\{T_4 = 100\}$), the joint distribution of (T_1, T_2, T_3) , the vector of the number of 282 ky periods until the 1st., 2nd. and 3rd. geomagnetic reversals, is the same as the distribution of an ordered random sample of 3 numbers chosen without replacement from $\{1, 2, \dots, 99\}$.

- **Bernoulli process**

$\{X_i, i \in \mathbb{N}\} \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} \text{Bernoulli}(p)$

$$X_i = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if there is a geomagnetic reversal during the } i^{\text{th}} \text{ 282 ky period} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- **R.v.**

According to Prop. 3.83,

$$\begin{aligned} T_k &= \text{number of 282 ky periods until the } k^{\text{th}} \text{ geomagnetic reversal} \\ &\sim \text{NegativeBinomial}(k, p), \quad k \in \mathbb{N}. \end{aligned}$$

- **Requested probability**

For $1 \leq t_1 < t_2 < t_3 < t_4 = 100$,

$$P(T_1 = t_1, T_2 = t_2, T_3 = t_3 \mid T_4 = 100) = \frac{P(T_1 = t_1, T_2 = t_2, T_3 = t_3, T_4 = 100)}{P(T_4 = 100)},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} P(T_1 = t_1, T_2 = t_2, T_3 = t_3, T_4 = 100) &= P\left[\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^{t_1-1} \{X_i = 0\}\right) \cap X_{t_1} = 1, \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left(\bigcap_{i=t_1+1}^{t_2-1} \{X_i = 0\}\right) \cap X_{t_2} = 1, \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left(\bigcap_{i=t_2+1}^{t_3-1} \{X_i = 0\}\right) \cap X_{t_3} = 1, \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left(\bigcap_{i=t_3+1}^{100-1} \{X_i = 0\}\right) \cap X_{100} = 1\right] \end{aligned}$$

¹A geomagnetic reversal is a change in the orientation of Earth's magnetic field such that the positions of magnetic north and magnetic south become interchanged (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Geomagnetic_reversal).

$$\begin{aligned} P(T_1 = t_1, T_2 = t_2, T_3 = t_3, T_4 = 100) &= [(1-p)^{t_1-1} p] \times [(1-p)^{t_2-t_1-1} p] \\ &\quad \times [(1-p)^{t_3-t_2-1} p] \times [(1-p)^{100-t_3-1} p] \\ &= (1-p)^{100-4} p^4 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$P(T_4 = 100) = \binom{100-1}{4-1} p^4 (1-p)^{100-4}.$$

Thus,

$$P(T_1 = t_1, T_2 = t_2, T_3 = t_3 \mid T_4 = 100) = \frac{1}{\binom{99}{3}},$$

which is indeed the distribution of a random sample of 3 numbers chosen without replacement from $\{1, 2, \dots, 99\}$.

2. Suppose that the number of requests to a web server follows a conditional (or mixed) Poisson process with random rate Λ (in requests per minute) and admit that $\Lambda \sim \text{Gamma}(r, \beta)$, where $r, \beta \in \mathbb{N}$. (3.5)

Derive a simplified expression for the probability that the server receives at most m requests in t minutes ($m \in \mathbb{N}_0, t > 0$) and obtain the value of this probability for $r = \beta = t = 2, m = 8$.

- **Stochastic process**

$\{N(t), t \geq 0\}$ conditional (or mixed) Poisson process with random rate Λ

- **R.v.**

$N(t)$ = number of requests to a web server in the 1st. t minutes

$(N(t) \mid \Lambda = \lambda) \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda t)$

- **Random rate and its p.d.f.**

$\Lambda \sim \text{Gamma}(r, \beta), r, \beta \in \mathbb{N}$

$$g_\Lambda(\lambda) = \frac{\beta^r}{\Gamma(r)} \lambda^{r-1} e^{-\beta\lambda}, \quad \lambda \geq 0$$

- **P.f. of $N(t)$**

Since Λ is a continuous r.v. with p.d.f. $g_\Lambda(\lambda)$, we get

$$P[N(t+s) - N(s) = n] = \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{e^{-\lambda t} (\lambda t)^n}{n!} g_\Lambda(\lambda) d\lambda.$$

by Prop. 3.132. Moreover, since $\{N(t), t \geq 0\}$ has stationary increments, we can add that:

$$\begin{aligned} P[N(t) = n] &= \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{e^{-\lambda t} (\lambda t)^n}{n!} \frac{\beta^r}{\Gamma(r)} \lambda^{r-1} e^{-\beta\lambda} d\lambda \\ &= \frac{t^n \Gamma(n+r) \beta^r}{n! \Gamma(r) (\beta+t)^{r+n}} \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{(\beta+t)^{n+r}}{\Gamma(n+r)} \lambda^{n+r-1} e^{-(\beta+t)\lambda} d\lambda \\ &= \frac{t^n \Gamma(n+r) \beta^r}{n! \Gamma(r) (\beta+t)^{r+n}} \int_0^{+\infty} f_{\text{Gamma}(n+r, \beta+t)}(\lambda) d\lambda \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
P[N(t) = n] &= \binom{n+r-1}{n} \left(\frac{\beta}{\beta+t}\right)^r \left(1 - \frac{\beta}{\beta+t}\right)^n, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \\
&\equiv \text{p.f. of a NegativeBinomial}^*(r, \beta/(\beta+t)).
\end{aligned}$$

• **Requested probability**

For $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
P[N(t) \leq m] &= F_{\text{NegativeBinomial}^*(r, \beta/(\beta+t))}(m) \\
&= F_{\text{NegativeBinomial}(r, \beta/(\beta+t))}(m+r) \\
&= 1 - F_{\text{Binomial}(m+r, \beta/(\beta+t))}(r-1).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, for $r = \beta = t = 2$ and $m = 8$, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
P[N(2) \leq 8] &= 1 - F_{\text{Binomial}(8+2, 2/(2+2))}(2-1) \\
&\stackrel{\text{table}}{=} 1 - 0.0107 \\
&= 0.9893.
\end{aligned}$$

Group VI — (In)dependence and expectation

4.5 points

1. Let X and Y be L^2 r.v. with zero mean, unit variance and covariance ρ . (2.5)

Show that $E(\max\{X^2, Y^2\}) \leq 1 + \sqrt{1 - \rho^2}$.

Hint: Use the identity $\max\{u, v\} = \frac{1}{2}(u+v) + \frac{1}{2}|u-v|$ and the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality.

• **Random vector**

(X, Y) , where $X, Y \in L^2$ and

- (i) $E(X) = E(Y) = 0$
- (ii) $V(X) = V(Y) = 1$
- (iii) $\text{cov}(X, Y) = \rho$.

• **Auxiliary results**

$$(i) \ \& \ (ii) \ \Rightarrow \ \begin{cases} E(X^2) = V(X) + E^2(X) = V(X) = 1 \\ E(Y^2) = V(Y) + E^2(Y) = V(Y) = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$(i) \ \& \ (ii) \ \& \ (iii) \ \Rightarrow \ \text{cov}(X, Y) = E(XY) - E(X)E(Y) = E(XY) = \rho$$

• **To prove**

$$E(\max\{X^2, Y^2\}) \leq 1 + \sqrt{1 - \rho^2}$$

• **Proof**

Using the hint $(\max\{u, v\} = \frac{1}{2}(u+v) + \frac{1}{2}|u-v|)$, we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
E(\max\{X^2, Y^2\}) &= E\left[\frac{1}{2}(X^2 + Y^2) + \frac{1}{2}|X^2 - Y^2|\right] \\
&= \frac{1}{2} [E(X^2) + E(Y^2)] + \frac{1}{2} E[|(X - Y)(X + Y)|].
\end{aligned}$$

Now, note that $X, Y \in L^2$ and so $X - Y, X + Y \in L^2$. Hence, we can apply the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality to get:

$$\begin{aligned}
E(\max\{X^2, Y^2\}) &= \frac{1}{2}(1+1) + \frac{1}{2} E[|(X - Y)(X + Y)|] \\
&\leq 1 + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{E[(X - Y)^2] E[(X + Y)^2]} \\
&= 1 + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{[E(X^2) - 2E(XY) + E(Y^2)] [E(X^2) + 2E(XY) + E(Y^2)]} \\
&= 1 + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(1 - 2\rho + 1)(1 + 2\rho + 1)} \\
&= 1 + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{4(1 - \rho)(1 + \rho)} \\
&= 1 + \sqrt{1 - \rho^2}.
\end{aligned}$$

QED

2. The lifetimes of 2 computer systems are assumed to be i.i.d. r.v. with Weibull($\alpha = 1, \beta = 0.5$) (2.0) distribution, where α and β are the scale and form parameters (respectively).

What is the variance of the lifetime of the system that survives the shortest?

Hint: Capitalize on the closure of the Weibull distribution under the minimum operation.

• **R.v.**

X_i = time to failure of component i , $i = 1, 2$

$X_i \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} X$, $i = 1, 2$

$X \sim \text{Weibull}(\alpha = 1, \beta = 0.5)$

• **New r.v.**

$X_{(1)} = \min\{X_1, X_2\}$ = lifetime of the system that survives the shortest

• **Survival function of $X_{(1)}$**

Capitalizing once again on Example 3.65, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
S_{X_{(1)}}(x) &= P[X_{(1)} > x] \\
&= [S_X(x)]^2 \\
&\stackrel{\text{form}}{=} \left[e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\alpha}\right)^\beta} \right]^2 \\
&= \exp\left[-\left(\frac{x}{\alpha}\right)^\beta\right] \\
&\equiv S_{\text{Weibull}(\alpha^*, \beta^*)}(x),
\end{aligned}$$

where, for $\alpha = 1$ and $\beta = 0.5$,

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha^* &= \frac{\alpha}{2^{1/\beta}} \\
&= \frac{1}{4} \\
\beta^* &= \beta \\
&= 0.5.
\end{aligned}$$

- **Variance of $X_{(1)}$**

$$\begin{aligned}
 V[X_{(1)}] &\stackrel{\text{form}}{=} (\alpha^*)^2 \left[\Gamma\left(1 + \frac{2}{\beta^*}\right) - \Gamma^2\left(1 + \frac{1}{\beta^*}\right) \right] \\
 &= \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 [\Gamma(5) - \Gamma^2(3)] \\
 &= \frac{1}{16} [4! - (2!)^2] \\
 &= \frac{20}{16} \\
 &= 1.25.
 \end{aligned}$$

Group VII — Expectation

5.5 points

1. Suppose that a customer arrives at a store, which sells a single type of commodity. The amount desired by this customer is assumed to be a r.v. X with d.f. (3.0)

$$F_X(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 0 \\ \frac{1 - e^{-\lambda x}}{1 - e^{-\lambda S}}, & 0 \leq x \leq S \\ 1, & x > S, \end{cases}$$

where S is a positive constant that represents the maximum amount desired by this customer.

The store uses the following (s, S) ordering policy ($0 < s < S$):

- if the inventory level after serving a customer is below s , then an order is placed to bring it up to level S ;
- otherwise no order is placed.

Find a simplified expression for the expected value of the r.v. Y that represents the amount ordered after serving this customer.

Hint: Derive the d.f. of Y .

- **R.v.**

X = amount desired by the customer

- **D.f. of X**

$$F_X(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 0 \\ \frac{1 - e^{-\lambda x}}{1 - e^{-\lambda S}}, & 0 \leq x \leq S \\ 1, & x > S, \end{cases}$$

- **Range of X**

$\mathbb{R}_X = [0, S]$

- **New r.v.**

Y = amount ordered after serving the customer

- **Relating Y and X**

According to the (s, S) ordering policy ($0 < s < S$):

- if the inventory level after serving a customer is below s , then an order is placed to bring it up to level S ;
- otherwise no order is placed.

Hence,

$$Y = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq X \leq S - s \\ X, & S - s < X \leq S, \end{cases}$$

- **Range of Y**

$\mathbb{R}_Y = \{0\} \cup (S - s, S]$

- **D.f. of Y**

The d.f. of Y , $F_Y(y)$, is defined as follows:

- for $y < 0$,

$$P(Y \leq y) = 0;$$

- for $y = 0$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(Y \leq 0) &= P(0 \leq X \leq S - s) \\
 &= F_X(S - s) \\
 &= \frac{1 - e^{-\lambda(S-s)}}{1 - e^{-\lambda S}};
 \end{aligned}$$

- for $0 < y \leq S - s$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(Y \leq y) &= P(Y \leq 0) \\
 &= \frac{1 - e^{-\lambda(S-s)}}{1 - e^{-\lambda S}};
 \end{aligned}$$

- for $S - s < y \leq S$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(Y \leq y) &= P(Y = 0) + P(S - s < X \leq y) \\
 &= P(0 < X \leq y) \\
 &= \frac{1 - e^{-\lambda y}}{1 - e^{-\lambda S}};
 \end{aligned}$$

- for $y > S$,

$$P(Y \leq y) = 1.$$

- **Simplified expression of $E(Y)$**

$Y \geq 0$, thus, by Th. 4.65,

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(Y) &= \int_0^{+\infty} [1 - F_Y(y)] dy \\
 &= \int_0^{S-s} \left[1 - \frac{1 - e^{-\lambda(S-s)}}{1 - e^{-\lambda S}} \right] dy + \int_{S-s}^S \left[1 - \frac{1 - e^{-\lambda y}}{1 - e^{-\lambda S}} \right] dy \\
 &= \int_0^{S-s} \frac{e^{-\lambda(S-s)} - e^{-\lambda S}}{1 - e^{-\lambda S}} dy + \int_{S-s}^S \frac{e^{-\lambda y} - e^{-\lambda S}}{1 - e^{-\lambda S}} dy
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
E(Y) &= \int_0^{S-s} \frac{e^{-\lambda(S-s)}}{1-e^{-\lambda S}} dy + \int_{S-s}^S \frac{e^{-\lambda y}}{1-e^{-\lambda S}} dy + \int_0^S \frac{e^{-\lambda S}}{1-e^{-\lambda S}} dy \\
&= (S-s) \times \frac{e^{-\lambda(S-s)}}{1-e^{-\lambda S}} - \frac{1}{\lambda} \left(\frac{e^{-\lambda y}}{1-e^{-\lambda S}} \Big|_{S-s}^S \right) + S \times \frac{e^{-\lambda S}}{1-e^{-\lambda S}} \\
&= (S-s) \times \frac{e^{-\lambda(S-s)}}{1-e^{-\lambda S}} + \frac{e^{-\lambda(S-s)} - e^{-\lambda S}}{\lambda[1-e^{-\lambda S}]} + S \times \frac{e^{-\lambda S}}{1-e^{-\lambda S}} \\
&\stackrel{\text{Mathematica}}{=} \frac{e^{\lambda s}(\lambda s - \lambda S - 1) + \lambda S e^{\lambda S} - \lambda S + 1}{\lambda(e^{\lambda S} - 1)}.
\end{aligned}$$

2. Suppose that X_1 and X_2 are independent normal random variables with the same variance. (2.5)

Show that $X_1 - X_2$ and $X_1 + X_2$ are independent r.v.

• **R.v.**

$$X_i \stackrel{\text{indep.}}{\sim} \text{Normal}(\mu_i, \sigma_i^2), \quad i = 1, 2$$

• **Joint distribution**

Consider

$$\begin{aligned}
\underline{\mu} &= \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \end{bmatrix} \\
\underline{\Sigma} &= \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2^2 \end{bmatrix}.
\end{aligned}$$

Then

$$(X_1, X_2) \sim \text{Normal}_2(\underline{\mu}, \underline{\Sigma}),$$

according to Def. 4.181.

• **Transformation**

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_1 - X_2 \\ X_1 + X_2 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{C}\underline{X} + \underline{b}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{C} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
\underline{b} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.
\end{aligned}$$

• **Distribution of $X_1 + X_2$**

According to Th. 4.190,

$$X_1 + X_2 \sim \text{Normal}_2(\mathbf{C}\underline{\mu} + \underline{b}, \mathbf{C}\underline{\Sigma}\mathbf{C}^\top),$$

where:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{C}\underline{\mu} + \underline{b} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 - \mu_2 \\ \mu_1 + \mu_2 \end{bmatrix};
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{C}\underline{\Sigma}\mathbf{C}^\top &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2^2 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 & \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 \\ \sigma_1^2 - \sigma_2^2 & \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
&\stackrel{\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \sigma}{=} \begin{bmatrix} 2\sigma^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2\sigma^2 \end{bmatrix}.
\end{aligned}$$

• **Verifying the independence between $X_1 - X_2$ and $X_1 + X_2$**

We have just conclude that if $\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \sigma$ then $(X_1 - X_2, X_1 + X_2)$ has a bivariate normal distribution with $\text{cov}(X_1 - X_2, X_1 + X_2) = 0$. Thus,

$$X_1 - X_2 \perp\!\!\!\perp X_1 + X_2,$$

according to Cor. 4.192.

QED

Group VIII — Convergence of sequences of r.v.

4.0 points

1. Let X_1, X_2, \dots be a sequence of r.v. in L^2 and X a r.v. also in L^2 . (2.0)

Prove that $X_n \xrightarrow{q.m.} X \Rightarrow E(X_n^2) \rightarrow E(X^2)$.

Hint: Use the fact that $X_n^2 = (X_n - X)^2 + 2X(X_n - X) + X^2$ and the modulus and Cauchy-Schwarz inequalities.

• **Sequence of r.v.**

$$\{X_1, X_2, \dots\}$$

$$X_i \in L^2$$

• **To prove**

$$X_n \xrightarrow{q.m.} X \Rightarrow E(X_n^2) \rightarrow E(X^2), \text{ where } X \in L^2$$

• **Proof**

Let us remind the reader that, according to Def. 5.15,

$$X_n \xrightarrow{q.m.} X \Leftrightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} E[(X_n - X)^2] = 0. \quad (1)$$

Since

$$X_n^2 = (X_n - X)^2 + 2X(X_n - X) + X^2,$$

where $X_n - X \in L^2$, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} E(X_n^2) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} E[(X_n - X)^2 + 2X(X_n - X) + X^2] \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \{E[(X_n - X)^2] + 2E[X(X_n - X)] + E(X^2)\} \\ &\stackrel{(1)}{=} 2 \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} E[X(X_n - X)] + E(X^2). \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality leads to

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} E[|X(X_n - X)|] &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \sqrt{E(X^2) E[(X_n - X)^2]} \\ &= E(X^2) \sqrt{\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} E[(X_n - X)^2]} \\ &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

i.e.,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} E[|X(X_n - X)|] = 0. \quad (2)$$

Furthermore, by the modulus inequality (Cor. 4.43),

$$0 = \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} E[|X(X_n - X)|] \geq \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} |E[X(X_n - X)]|, \quad (3)$$

hence,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} E[X(X_n - X)] = 0.$$

We can finally state that

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} E(X_n^2) &= 2 \times 0 + E(X^2) \\ &= E(X^2). \end{aligned}$$

QED

2. Consider $\{X_1, X_2, \dots\}$ a sequence of independent Poisson r.v. with respective parameters $\{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots\}$. (2.0)

Show that if $\sigma^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{+\infty} \lambda_i < +\infty$ then $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \xrightarrow{a.s.} S = \sum_{i=1}^{+\infty} X_i$, where $S \sim \text{Poisson}(\sigma^2)$.

Hint: Proving that $\sup_{k \geq n} |S_n - S| \xrightarrow{P} 0$ is quite useful.

• **Sequence of r.v.**

$$\begin{aligned} &\{X_1, X_2, \dots\} \\ &X_i \stackrel{\text{indep.}}{\sim} \text{Poisson}(\lambda_i), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots \end{aligned}$$

• **Another sequence of r.v.**

$$\begin{aligned} &\{S_1, S_2, \dots\} \\ &S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \stackrel{\text{Prop. 3.55}}{\sim} \text{Poisson}(\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots \end{aligned}$$

• **To prove**

$$\sum_{i=1}^{+\infty} \lambda_i = \sigma^2 < +\infty \Rightarrow S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \xrightarrow{a.s.} S = \sum_{i=1}^{+\infty} X_i \sim \text{Poisson}(\sigma^2)$$

• **Proof**

According to Prop. 5-37 (relationship between almost sure convergence and convergence in probability),

$$S_n \xrightarrow{a.s.} S \Leftrightarrow Y_n = \sup_{k \geq n} |S_k - S| \xrightarrow{P} 0,$$

that is, we only need to prove that, for any $\epsilon > 0$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} P(|Y_n - 0| > \epsilon) = 0.$$

Firstly, note that

$$\begin{aligned} Y_n &= \sup_{k \geq n} |S_k - S| \\ &\stackrel{X_i \geq 0}{=} \sup_{k \geq n} \sum_{i=k+1}^{+\infty} X_i \\ &\stackrel{X_i \geq 0}{=} \sum_{i=n+1}^{+\infty} X_i \\ &\stackrel{\sigma^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{+\infty} \lambda_i < +\infty}{=} \text{Poisson} \left(\sum_{i=n}^{+\infty} \lambda_i \right) \\ E(Y_n) &= V(Y_n) \\ &= \sum_{i=n}^{+\infty} \lambda_i. \end{aligned}$$

Secondly, we ought to mention that since $\sum_{i=1}^{+\infty} \lambda_i = \sigma^2 < +\infty$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} E(Y_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} V(Y_n) = 0.$$

Thirdly, if we apply Chebyshev's inequality (for non-negative r.v. and $g(x) = x^2$) and capitalise on the previous result then

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} P(Y_n > \epsilon) &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{E(Y_n^2)}{\epsilon^2} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{V(Y_n) + E^2(Y_n)}{\epsilon^2} \\ &= \frac{0 + 0}{\epsilon^2} \\ &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

that is, $Y_n = \sup_{k \geq n} |S_k - S| \xrightarrow{P} 0$ and, thus, $S_n \xrightarrow{a.s.} S$.

QED