

ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF RANDOM LINES IN THE GENERAL CASE

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Abstract

L is a line in a plane through the origin, with an angle α to the x -axis, $0 < \alpha < \pi$. M is a point process on positive x -axis. Through the n th point of M draw a line with a random angle θ_n to x -axis, φ^+ is the set of intersections of those lines with L^+ . Let $m = EM$. If, for every $c > 0$, $Em(c\theta^{-1}) < \infty$, then φ^+ is locally finite on L , and let \tilde{M} be the point process constructed by φ^+ , then $E\tilde{M}$ exists. If, for all interval $L \subset L^+$, $\int_0^\infty r(I, x)M(dx) = \infty$ a. s., then φ^+ is dense on L^+ . If L is drawn parallel to x -axis, the same results can be got, and this time \tilde{M} is a cluster point process with cluster center M .

Draw a line L through the origin of a plane, with an angle α to the positive direction of X -axis, $0 < \alpha < \pi$. L^+ is the positive side of L (all points along L^+ have their Y -coordinate positive). Place a point process M along the positive X -axis, and through the n -th point draw a line at a random angle θ_n to the negative direction of X -axis. Let φ^+ be the set of intersections of those random lines with the L^+ . Suppose the $\{\theta_n; n=1, 2, \dots\}$ are independent and identically distributed as θ , $0 < \theta < \pi$, $F(\cdot)$ is the distribution function of θ , and $\{\theta_n\}$ are independent of M . When M is Poisson process, the properties of φ^+ are discussed in [1]. In this article, we investigate the properties of φ^+ without assumption of what process M is. We shall give some necessary and sufficient conditions for φ^+ to be a.s. dense in L^+ and for φ^+ to be a.s. locally finite (that is, there are only finite number of points of φ^+ in a finite interval). When φ^+ is a.s. locally finite, let \tilde{M} be a point process on L^+ , $\tilde{M}(I)$ be the number of points of φ^+ in the interval I . We also investigate the properties of \tilde{M} .

§ 1.

It is seen in [1] that if M is homogeneous Poisson process and $E\theta^{-1} < \infty$, the φ^+ is locally finite. We will show that it holds for any stationary point process M . Also it is shown that if there is a function $\Lambda(\cdot) \geq 0$ such that $ME(B) = \int_B \Lambda(t) dt$,

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$B \in \mathcal{B}(R^+)$, then there exists a function $\tilde{\lambda}(\cdot) \geq 0$ such that $EM(I) = \int_I \tilde{\lambda}(l) dl$, $I \in \mathcal{B}(L^+)$. This includes the calculation of intensity of \tilde{M} in [1].

If L is drawn parallel to X -axis, and M is on R (both on $(-\infty, 0)$ and $[0, \infty)$), then if \tilde{M} exists, it must be a cluster process with cluster center M .

In § 4, we let M be a Poisson cluster process, and investigate the conditions for the existence of \tilde{M} and the properties of \tilde{M} .

In this article we assume that M is a simple process (only one point occurs at a time). But this assumption can be removed by treating it as K points if K points occur at the same time.

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§ 2.

Sometimes the φ^+ is locally finite, but sometimes the φ^+ is even dense in L^+ , although M is always locally finite. The following theorem is a necessary and sufficient condition for this. Let I be an interval $(A, B]$ on L^+ (See Fig.), the probability that the random line through the point R on X -axis intersects I is $r(I, X) = F(\beta + \delta\beta) - F(\beta)$, X is the X -coordinate of R ; $\beta, \delta\beta$ depend on X .

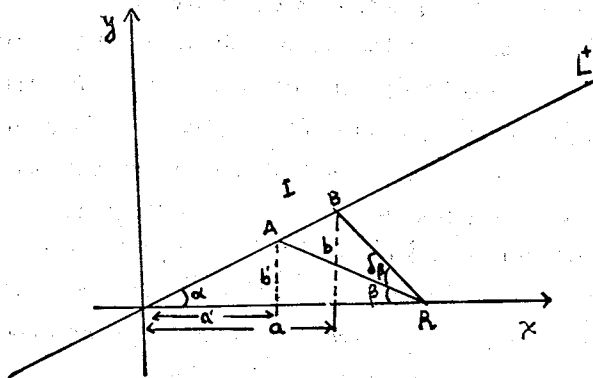


Fig.

Theorem 2.1 M is a point process on positive X -axis. φ^+ is a.s. dense in L^+ iff for all interval $I \subset L^+$, $\int_0^\infty r(I, X) M(dx) = \infty$ a.s.; and φ^+ is a.s. locally finite iff for all interval $I \subset L^+$, $\int_0^\infty r(I, X) M(dx) < \infty$ a.s..

Proof Let E_I be the event "there is at least one point of φ^+ in I ". Then φ^+ is a.s. dense in

L^+ iff for all I , $P(E_I) = 1$. As $P(E_I) = EP(E_I|M)$, $P(E_I) = 1$ is equivalent to $P(E_I|M) = 1$ a.s.. As $\{\theta_n\}$ are independent of the M , for a certain ω_0 , let $\{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$ be the points of $M(\omega_0)$. The probability that the random lines through the point x_i do not intersect I is $1 - r(I, x_i)$. So $P(E_I|M(\omega_0)) = 1 - \prod_{i=1}^\infty (1 - r(I, x_i))$; $P(E_I|M(\omega_0)) = 1$ is equivalent to $\prod_{i=1}^\infty (1 - r(I, x_i)) = 0$, that is $\sum_{i=1}^\infty r(I, x_i) = \infty$. So it is equivalent to $\int_0^\infty r(I, x) M(dx) = \infty$ a.s..

Now Let A_I be the event "there are only finite number of points of φ^+ in I ", $P(A_I) = EP(A_I|M)$, so φ^+ is a.s. locally finite iff $P(A_I|M) = 1$ a.s.. Let $\{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$ be the points of $M(\omega_0)$, and K_i be the event "the line drawn through x_i intersects I ". Then $K_i (i=1, 2, \dots)$ are independent and we see that the following are all equivalent: " $P(A_I|M(\omega_0)) = 1$ "; " $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} 1_{K_i}(\omega) < \infty$ a.s.," " $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\bigcup_{i=n}^{\infty} K_i\right) = 0$ "; " $1 - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{i=n}^{\infty} (1 - r(I, x_i)) = 0$ "; " $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} r(I, x_i) < \infty$ ".

So φ^+ being locally finite is equivalent to $\int_0^{\infty} r(I, x) M(dx) < \infty$. The theorem is proved.

Remak 1. It is also obtained that the intersections of random lines through a certain set $\{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$ with an interval $I \subset L^+$ are either a.s. finite or a.s. infinite. This is just the 0-1 Law ([2] p. 243) to $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} 1_{K_i}(\omega)$.

The results of the theorem above is in stochastic form and is therefore of limited value in applications. However, a sufficient condition that is easy to use follows.

(In the following \int_a^b denotes integration over the interval $(a, b]$.)

Theorem 2.2. Suppose EM exists, and let $m = EM$, $m(x) = EM(0, x]$. If for all $c > 0$, $Em(c\theta^{-1}) < \infty$, then φ^+ is a.s. locally finite.

Proof Let $I = (0, t] \subset L^+$. If for those intervals I , $\int_0^{\infty} r(I, x) M(dx) < \infty$, then $\int_0^{\infty} r(I, x) M(dx) < \infty$ a.s., that means φ^+ is a.s. locally finite. But then

$$\begin{aligned} E \int_0^{\infty} r(I, x) M(dx) &= \int_0^{\infty} r(I, x) m(dx) = \int_0^{\infty} F(\delta\beta) m(dx) \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\delta\beta} dF(u) m(dx) = \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\frac{x}{2} - \text{tg}^{-1}(\frac{x-a}{b})} dF(u) m(dx) \\ &= \int_0^{\pi-\alpha} dF(u) \int_0^{a+b \text{ctg} u} m(dx) = \int_0^{\pi-\alpha} dF(u) m(a+b \text{ctg} u). \end{aligned}$$

Let $m(x) = 0$ when $x \leq 0$. $\int_0^{\pi-\alpha} dF(u) m(a+b \text{ctg} u)$ being infinite is equivalent to $Em(a+b \text{ctg} \theta)$ being infinit. As $m(X)$ is non-decreasing, "for all I , $Em(a+b \text{ctg} \theta) < \infty$ " is equivalent to "for all $c > 0$, $Em(c\theta^{-1}) < \infty$ ". This is because for every $b > 0$ there is $c > b > 0$, so $m(a+b \text{ctg} \theta) \geq m(c\theta^{-1})$ when θ is small enough, and from $Em(c\theta^{-1}) < \infty$ we get $Em(a+b \text{ctg} \theta) < \infty$. On the other hand, for every $c > 0$, there exists an I such that $b > c$, and $Em(c\theta^{-1}) < \infty$ is got from $Em(a+b \text{ctg} \theta) < \infty$. This completes the proof.

Remark 2. Let $M(x) = M((0, x])$. From the proof of the theorem above, it is seen that the condition " $\int_0^{\infty} r(I, x) M(dx) < \infty$ a.s. for all I " is equivalent to "for

$c > 0$, $E_\theta M(C\theta^{-1}) < \infty$ a.s.", where E_θ means the integral for θ only; and condition " $\int_0^\infty r(I, x) M(dx) = \infty$ a.s. for all I " is equivalent to "for any $c_1 > c_2 \geq 0$, $E_\theta [M(c_1\theta^{-1}) - M(c_2\theta^{-1})] = \infty$ a.s.".

Corollary 2.3. Suppose for every $c > 0$ there exists a constant $K(c) > 0$ such that for u small enough $F(cu) \leq K(c)F(u)$; or, for every $c > 0$ there exists $K'(c) > 0$ such that $m(cx) \leq K'(c)m(x)$ for x large enough. If $Em(\theta^{-1}) < \infty$, then φ^+ is a.s. locally finite.

Proof If for every $c > 0$ there is $K'(c) > 0$, $m(cx) \leq K'(c)m(x)$, then $m(c\theta^{-1}) \leq K'(c)m(\theta^{-1})$ when θ is small enough. So $Em(\theta^{-1}) < \infty$ means $Em(c\theta^{-1}) < \infty$, $c > 0$. On the other hand, $Em(c\theta^{-1}) = \int_0^\pi dF(u) \int_0^{c/u} m(dx) < \infty$ is equivalent to $\int_A^\infty \left(\int_0^{c/x} dF(u) \right) m(dx) = \int_A^\infty F\left(\frac{c}{x}\right) m(dx) < \infty$ for some $A > 0$. If $F(cu) \leq K(c)F(u)$, then $\int_A^\infty F\left(\frac{c}{x}\right) m(dx) < \infty$ follows from $Em(\theta^{-1}) < \infty$.

There are many F which fulfil the condition of Corollary 2.3. For example, θ is uniform on $(0, \pi)$; or $F(x)$ is $a \sin x + b \cos x$ on some interval $B \subset (0, \pi)$; or $F(x) = ax^k$, $K > 0$, on $(0, \pi)$. In particular, if there exists a $c > 0$ such that $P(\theta < c) = 0$, then F fulfils the condition and meanwhile $Em(\theta^{-1}) < \infty$. So in this case, φ^+ is a.s. locally finite.

Using Corollary 2.3 to stationary point processes, we get the following corollary.

Corollary 2.4. Suppose M is a stationary point process, EM exists. If $E\theta^{-1} < \infty$, then φ^+ is a.s. locally finite.

For $x \geq 0$, let $\xi(x; \cdot)$ be a point process on L constructed by intersecting of L^+ with a line through X at a random angle θ with distribution function F . Then $\xi(x, L^+) \leq 1$. Let $\{\xi(x, \cdot); x \in R^+\}$ be independent and independent of M . If the points of $M(\omega_0)$ are $\{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$, then, conditioning on $M(\omega_0)$, $\tilde{M}(\cdot) = \sum_{i=1}^\infty \xi(x_i, \cdot)$. So $\tilde{M}(\cdot) = \int_{R^+} \xi(x, \cdot) M(dx)$ (because, conditioning on $M(\omega)$, they are equal in distribution).

Using this we get following theorem.

Theorem 2.5. Suppose $m = EM$ exists. $E\tilde{M}$ exists iff for every $c > 0$ $Em = (c\theta^{-1}) < \infty$. In this time, let $I = (l_1, l_2] \subset L^+$.

$$E\tilde{M}(I) = E[m(l_2 \cos \alpha + l_2 \sin \alpha \operatorname{ctg} \theta) - m(l_1 \cos \alpha + l_1 \sin \alpha \operatorname{ctg} \theta)].$$

Proof

$$\tilde{M}(I) \stackrel{d}{=} \int_0^\infty \xi(x, I) M(dx).$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} E\tilde{M}(I) &= EE \left[\int_0^\infty \xi(x, I) M(dx) \mid M \right] = E \left(E \sum_{i=1}^\infty \xi(x_i, I) \right) \\ &= E \sum_{i=1}^\infty r(I, x_i) = E \int_0^\infty r(I, x) M(dx) = \int_0^\infty r(I, x) m(dx). \end{aligned}$$

$\int_0^\infty r(I, x) m(dx) < \infty$ for all I is equivalent to for every $c > 0$ $Em(c\theta^{-1}) < \infty$ (see the proof of Theorem 2.2). And

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty r(I, x) m(dx) &= \int_0^\infty \int_B dF(u) m(dx) = \int_0^\infty \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}-\text{tg}^{-1}(\frac{x-a}{b})}^{\frac{\pi}{2}-\text{tg}^{-1}(\frac{x-a'}{b'})} dF(u) m(dx) \\ &= \int_0^{\pi-\alpha} dF(u) [m(a+b \text{ctg } u) - m(a'+b' \text{ctg } u)] \\ &= E[m(l_2 \cos \alpha + l_2 \sin \alpha \text{ctg } \theta) - m(l_1 \cos \alpha + l_1 \sin \alpha \text{ctg } \theta)]. \end{aligned}$$

The theorem is proved.

Theorem 2.6. Suppose there exists a $\Lambda(\cdot) \geq 0$ such that $EM(B) = \int_B \Lambda(t) dt = m(B)$, $B \in \mathcal{B}(R^+)$. Then there exists a $\tilde{\Lambda}(\cdot) \geq 0$ such that $E\tilde{M}(B) = \int_B \tilde{\Lambda}(l) dl$, $B \in \mathcal{B}(L^+)$, and $\tilde{\Lambda}(l) = \int_0^{\pi-\alpha} \Lambda(l \cos \alpha + l \sin \alpha \text{ctg } u) \sin(\alpha+u) \text{cosec } u dF(u)$, a.s.

Proof For $I = (l_1, l_2] \subset L^+$,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_I \tilde{\Lambda}(l) dl &= \int_{l_1}^{l_2} \tilde{\Lambda}(l) dl = \int_{l_1}^{l_2} dl \int_0^{\pi-\alpha} \Lambda(l \cos \alpha + l \sin \alpha \text{ctg } u) \sin(\alpha+u) \text{cosec } u dF(u) \\ &= \int_0^{\pi-\alpha} dF(u) \text{cosec } u \sin(\alpha+u) \int_{l_1}^{l_2} \Lambda(l \cos \alpha + l \sin \alpha \text{ctg } u) dl \\ &= \int_0^{\pi-\alpha} dF(u) \text{cosec } u \sin(\alpha+u) (\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha \text{ctg } u)^{-1} \\ &\quad \times [m(l_2(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha \text{ctg } u)) - m(l_1(\cos \alpha + \sin \alpha \text{ctg } u))] \\ &= E[m(l_2 \cos \alpha + l_2 \sin \alpha \text{ctg } \theta) - m(l_1 \cos \alpha + l_1 \sin \alpha \text{ctg } \theta)] \\ &= E\tilde{M}(I). \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.

Remark 3. $\xi(x_i, \cdot)$ has representation: $\xi(x_i, B) = 1_B \left(\frac{\sin \theta_i x_i}{\sin(\theta_i + \alpha)} \right)$, $B \in \mathcal{B}(L^+)$ (see Fig.). Conditioning on $M(\omega)$, the jump times of \tilde{M} , μ_1, μ_2, \dots are order statistic of $\left\{ \frac{x_i \sin \theta_i}{\sin(\theta_i + \alpha)} \mid i=1, 2, \dots \right\}$.

§ 3.

Consider the case where L is drawn parallel to the x -axis, intersecting the Y -axis at $Y=b>0$. M is a point process on x -axis (both positive and negative sides). φ is the set of intersections of random lines on L . Like Theorem 2.1, we have the following theorem.

Theorem 3.1. φ is a.s. dense on L iff for all $I \subset L$, $\int_R r(I, x) M(dx) = \infty$ a.s.; φ is a.s. locally finite iff for all $I \subset L$, $\int_R r(I, x) M(dx) < \infty$ a.s.

Theorem 3.2. Suppose $EM=m$ exists. If for all l_1, l_2 , $-\infty < l_1 < l_2 < \infty$,

$E[m(l_2 + b \operatorname{ctg} \theta) - m(l_1 + b \operatorname{ctg} \theta)] < \infty$, then φ is a.s. locally finite.

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} E \int_R r(I, x) M(dx) &= \int_R r(I, x) m(dx) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{\frac{x}{2} - \operatorname{tg}^{-1}(\frac{x-l_2}{b})}^{\frac{x}{2} - \operatorname{tg}^{-1}(\frac{x-l_1}{b})} dF(u) m(dx) \\ &= \int_0^\pi dF(u) \int_{l_1 + b \operatorname{ctg} u}^{l_2 + b \operatorname{ctg} u} m(dx) \\ &= E[m(l_2 + b \operatorname{ctg} \theta) - m(l_1 + b \operatorname{ctg} \theta)]. \end{aligned}$$

So, if $E[m(l_2 + b \operatorname{ctg} \theta) - m(l_1 + b \operatorname{ctg} \theta)] < \infty$, then $\int_R r(I, x) M(dx) < \infty$ a.s. .

Suppose that $EM = m$ exists and φ is a.s. locally finite. As that stated in § 2, we see that $\tilde{M}(\cdot) \stackrel{d}{=} \int_R \xi(x, \cdot) M(dx)$, and $\xi(x, B) = 1_B(x - b \operatorname{ctg} \theta_x)$, $\{\theta_x; x \in R\}$, are independent, identically distributed as θ . From this it is seen that $\tilde{M}(\cdot)$ is a cluster process with cluster center M (see [3], § 2), because $\xi(x, \cdot)$ can be regarded as process $\eta_x(B) = 1_B(-b \operatorname{ctg} \theta_x)$ with its center at x . From [3] Corollary 3.2 we know that if M is stationary, then \tilde{M} exists. But this time $E[m(l_2 + b \operatorname{ctg} \theta) - m(l_1 + b \operatorname{ctg} \theta)] < \infty$, so \tilde{M} exists. And it is seen from Theorem 3.2 that if $\sup_t m(I-t) < \infty$, for any interval I , then φ is a.s. locally finite. But this is just the Corollary 3.3 in [3].

Theorem 3.3. Suppose $EM = m$ exist, $E\tilde{M}$ exists iff for arbitrary $l_1 < l_2$, $E[m(l_2 + b \operatorname{ctg} \theta) - m(l_1 + b \operatorname{ctg} \theta)] < \infty$. And in this time $E\tilde{M}(I) = E[m(l_2 + b \operatorname{ctg} \theta) - m(l_1 + b \operatorname{ctg} \theta)]$, $I = (l_1, l_2) \subset L$. If there is $\Lambda(\cdot) \geq 0$ such that $m(B) = \int_B \Lambda(t) dt$, then let $\tilde{\Lambda}(l) = \int_0^\pi \Lambda(l + b \operatorname{ctg} u) dF(u)$, we have $E\tilde{M}(B) = \int_B \tilde{\Lambda}(l) dl$, $B \in \mathcal{B}(L)$.

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} E\tilde{M}(I) &= EE[\tilde{M}(I) | M] = E \int_R E\xi(x, I) M(dx) \\ &= \int_R r(I, x) m(dx) = E[m(l_2 + b \operatorname{ctg} \theta) - m(l_1 + b \operatorname{ctg} \theta)] \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{l_1}^{l_2} \left(\int_0^\pi \Lambda(l + b \operatorname{ctg} u) dF(u) \right) dl &= \int_0^\pi \int_{l_1}^{l_2} \Lambda(l + b \operatorname{ctg} \theta) dl dF(u) \\ &= \int_0^\pi [m(l_2 + b \operatorname{ctg} u) - m(l_1 + b \operatorname{ctg} u)] dF(u) \\ &= E\tilde{M}(I). \end{aligned}$$

§ 4.

Let M be a Poisson cluster process. We shall investigate the conditions for \tilde{M} to exist and some properties of \tilde{M} , as an application of the theorems in § 2, § 3. Suppose $\{N_x; x \in R^+\}$ is a class of independent, identically distributed point processes, N is a

point process on R^+ , $\{N_x\}$ is independent of N , cluster process $M(\cdot) = \int_{R^+} M_x(\cdot|x) N(dx)$, where $N_x(\cdot|x)$ is the N_x with its center x ; N is called cluster center (we assume that M is locally finite). If N is Poisson process, the M is called Poisson cluster (see [3]).

Suppose that N_x are identically distributed as N' and $N'((-\infty, 0]) = 0$. Let $\mu = EN$, $\mu(t) = \mu((0, t])$. N is a homogeneous Poisson process with intensity λ . Let $B = (a, b]$. Note that $EM(B) = \lambda \int_{R^+} \mu(B-t) dt \leq \lambda \int_{R^+} \mu(b-t) dt \leq \lambda \int_0^b \mu(b-t) dt = \mu(b) \cdot \lambda \cdot b < \infty$.

First we suppose that L is drawn at an angle α to X -axis (see § 2).

Theorem 4.1. *M is a Poisson cluster process stated above. If for all $c > 0$, $E \int_0^{c\theta^{-1}} \mu(t) dt < \infty$, then φ^+ is a.s. locally finite. This time $E\tilde{M}$ exists and $E\tilde{M}(I) = \int_{l_1}^{l_2} \tilde{\mu}(l) dl$, $I = (l_1, l_2]$, where*

$$\tilde{\mu}(l) = \int_0^{\pi-\alpha} \lambda \mu(l \cos \alpha + l \sin \alpha \operatorname{ctg} u) \sin(\alpha+u) \operatorname{cosec} u dF(u).$$

(That is, conditions for \tilde{M} and $E\tilde{M}$ are the same as the case where M is non-homogeneous Poisson process with intensity function $\lambda\mu(t)$).

Proof Let $m(\cdot) = EM(\cdot)$, $m(x) = EM((0, x])$. But

$$m(x) = EM((0, x]) = \lambda \int_{R^+} \mu((0, x] - t) dt = \lambda \int_0^x \mu(x-t) dt = \lambda \int_0^x \mu(t) dt.$$

So if, for every $c > 0$, $Em(c\theta^{-1}) = E \int_0^{c\theta^{-1}} \mu(t) dt < \infty$, then φ^+ is a.s. locally finite (see Theorem 2.2). Also we have

$$m((x_1, x_2]) = \lambda \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \mu(t) dt.$$

So from Theorem 2.6 we know that there exist $\tilde{\mu} \geq 0$, $E\tilde{M}(I) = \int_{l_1}^{l_2} \tilde{\mu}(l) dl$, and $\tilde{\mu}(l) = \int_0^{\pi-\alpha} \lambda \mu(l \cos \alpha + l \sin \alpha \operatorname{ctg} u) \sin(u+\alpha) \operatorname{cosec} u dF(u)$.

The theorem is proved.

Then we suppose that L is drawn parallel to X -axis (see § 3), N , N_x , $x \in R$ all are the Point processes on $(-\infty, +\infty)$.

Theorem 4.2 *Suppose M is a Poisson cluster process stated above, and $EM = m$ exists. Then φ is a.s. locally finite, and \tilde{M} is also a Poisson cluster process directed by N , \tilde{N}_x , $x \in R$ and $E\tilde{M} = EM = m$.*

Proof N is a stationary process, so M itself is stationary (see [3] p. 296). Then φ is a.s. locally finite (see § 3). or, let $B = (x_1, x_2] \subset R$,

$$m(B) = EM(B) = \int_R \lambda \mu(B-t) dt = \int_R \lambda [\mu(x_2-t) - \mu(x_1-t)] dt.$$

So $m(B) = m(B+x)$, $x \in R$. Then we get

$$E[m(l_2 + b \operatorname{ctg} \theta) - m(l_1 + b \operatorname{ctg} \theta)] = m(l_2) - m(l_1) = m((l_1, l_2]) < \infty.$$

It follows from Theorem 3.2 that φ is a.s. locally finite. And

$$E\tilde{M}(I) = E[m(l_2 + b \operatorname{ctg} \theta) - m(l_1 + b \operatorname{ctg} \theta)] = m(I), \quad I = (l_1, l_2] \subset L.$$

So $E\tilde{M} = m$.

Let \tilde{N}_x be the point process on L directed by the N_x on R . (\tilde{N}_x is the intersections of random lines through the points of N_x .) It is easily seen that $\tilde{N}_x(\cdot | x) = \tilde{N}_x(\cdot | x)$, $\tilde{N}_x(\cdot | x)$ means \tilde{N}_x with its center x (for every ω , it is equal). Conditional on $N(\omega_0)$, M is $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} N_{x_i}(\cdot | x_i)$, $\{x_i; i=1, 2, \dots\}$ are the points of $N(\omega_0)$. This time $\tilde{M} \stackrel{d}{=} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \tilde{N}_{x_i}(\cdot | x_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \tilde{N}_{x_i}(\cdot | x_i)$. So $\tilde{M}(\cdot) \stackrel{d}{=} \int \tilde{N}_x(\cdot | x) N(dx)$, that is, M is a Poisson cluster, its components are N, \tilde{N}_x .

Remark 4. Let M be a cluster process on R with cluster center N , cluster member N_x . If \tilde{M} exists, then it is also a cluster process directed by N, \tilde{N}_x (in the case that L is drawn parallel to X -axis), this is seen by the proof of the theorem above.

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