

# Generalised reward generator $Z(\underline{s})$ for stochastic fluid models.

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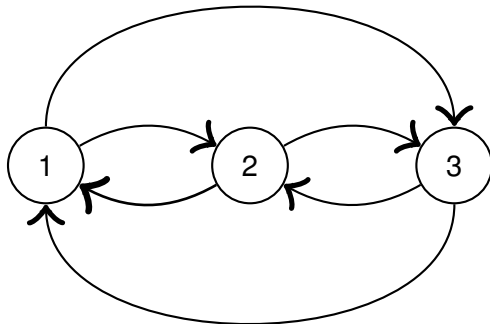
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# Motivating example



State  $i = 1, 2, 3$  is a customer class.

## SFM definition

Continuous-time process  $\{(\varphi(t), X(t)) : t \geq 0\}$  with

phase variable  $\varphi(t)$  and unbounded level variable  $X(t) \in \mathbb{R}$   
such that

- phase process  $\{\varphi(t) : t \geq 0\}$  is an irreducible CTMC with generator  $\mathbf{T}$  and some finite-state space  $\mathcal{S}$
- the rate of change of  $X(t)$  at time  $t$  is  $c_i = dX(t)/dt$  whenever  $\varphi(t) = i$ .

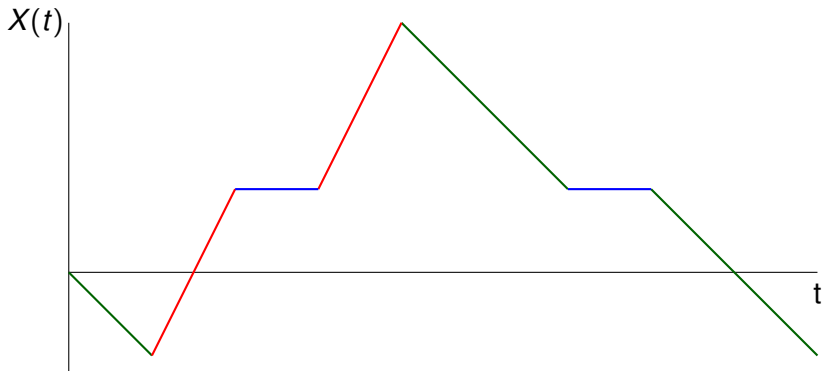
## Motivating example - continued

State space:  $\mathcal{S} = \{1, 2, 3\}$  where 1, 2, 3 are customer classes.

Fluid  $X(t)$ : Amount of energy in the grid.

Rates  $c_i$ :  $c_1 > 0$ ,  $c_2 < 0$ , and  $c_3 = 0$ .

# Sample path



## Some notation

$$\mathcal{S}_+ = \{i \in \mathcal{S} : c_i > 0\}$$

$$\mathcal{S}_- = \{i \in \mathcal{S} : c_i < 0\}$$

$$\mathcal{S}_0 = \{i \in \mathcal{S} : c_i = 0\}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{+-} = [\mathbf{T}_{ij}] \text{ for all } i \in \mathcal{S}_+, j \in \mathcal{S}_-$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{-+} = [\mathbf{T}_{ij}] \text{ for all } i \in \mathcal{S}_-, j \in \mathcal{S}_+$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{+0} = [\mathbf{T}_{ij}] \text{ for all } i \in \mathcal{S}_+, j \in \mathcal{S}_0$$

etc.

$$\mathbf{C}_+ = \text{diag}(c_i) \text{ for all } i \in \mathcal{S}_+$$

$$\mathbf{C}_- = \text{diag}(|c_i|) \text{ for all } i \in \mathcal{S}_-$$

## Motivation

In the literature so far, we have

- Laplace-Stieltjes Transforms (LSTs) of the time taken to complete a sample path in  $\{(\varphi(t), X(t)) : t \geq 0\}$  using fluid generator  $\mathbf{Q}(s)$
- LSTs of the shift in  $X$  accumulated during a sample path in  $Y$  in  $\{(\varphi(t), X(t), Y(t)) : t \geq 0\}$  using fluid generator  $\mathbf{W}(s)$ , where  $X(t) \in \mathbb{R}$  is unbounded.

Here, we wish to model, individually,

- ***i*-type rewards** accumulated at rates  $r_i$  per unit time spent in  $i$  during a sample path in  $\{(\varphi(t), X(t)) : t \geq 0\}$

where  $X(t)$  may be bounded/unbounded.



## In-out fluid $h(t)$

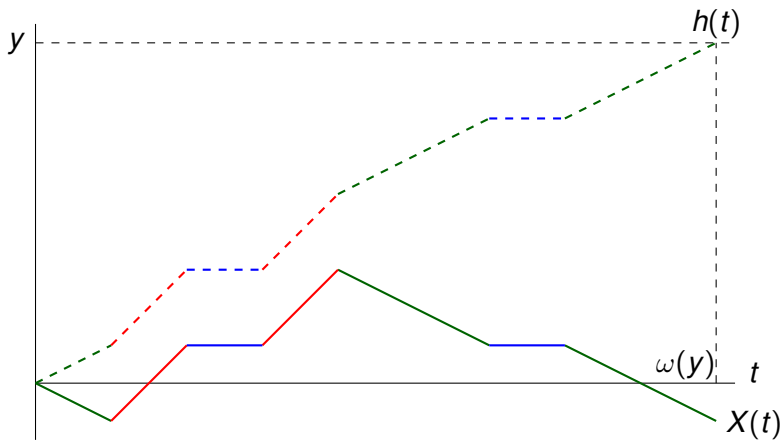
In-out fluid:

$$h(t) = \int_{u=0}^t |c_{\varphi(u)}| du.$$

Time at which  $h(t)$  hits level  $y$ :

$$\omega(y) = \inf\{t > 0 : h(t) = y\}.$$

# Evolution of in-out fluid $h(t)$



## Total $i$ -type reward

Assume  $i$ -type reward is generated at  $r_i$  per unit time spent in  $i$ .

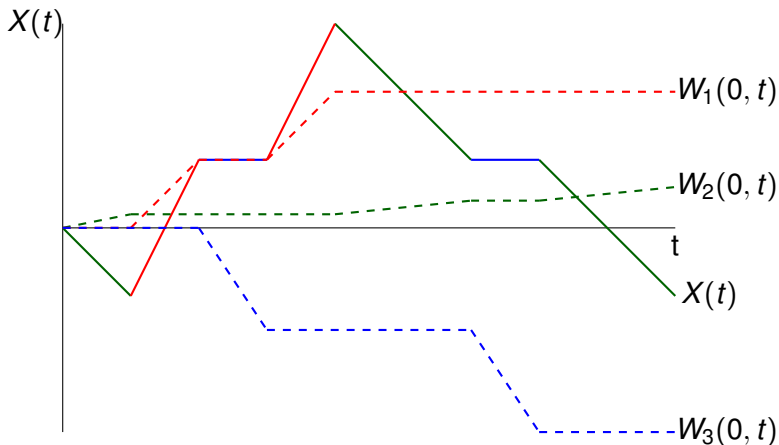
Total  $i$ -type reward accumulated during  $[z, t]$  is defined as

$$W_i(z, t) = \int_{u=z}^t r_i I(\varphi(u) = i) du$$

where  $I(\cdot)$  is an indicator function.

A set of total  $i$ -type rewards can be expressed as a vector  
( $W_1(z, t), \dots, W_n(z, t)$ ).

## Phase $i$ reward $W_i(0, t)$ , for $i = 1, 2, 3$



## Laplace-Stieltjes transforms (LSTs) of interest

Let  $\tilde{\mathbf{A}}^y(\underline{\mathbf{s}})$  be a multi-dimensional LST matrix such that,

for any  $y > 0$ , any vector  $\underline{\mathbf{s}} = [s_i]$ , and any  $i, j \in \mathcal{S}_+ \cup \mathcal{S}_-$ ,

$$[\tilde{\mathbf{A}}^y(\underline{\mathbf{s}})]_{ij} = E(e^{-(s_1 W_1(0, \omega(y)) + \dots + s_n W_n(0, \omega(y)))} I(\varphi(\omega(y)) = j) \mid \varphi(0) = i)$$

is the LST of the distribution of

$(W_1(0, \omega(y)), \dots, W_n(0, \omega(y)))$  and  $\varphi(\omega(y)) = j$ ,

given  $\varphi(0) = i$ .

## Key result

### Theorem (2)

For any  $y > 0$ ,  $\tilde{\Delta}^y(\underline{\mathbf{s}})$  exists and

$$\tilde{\Delta}^y(\underline{\mathbf{s}}) = e^{\mathbf{Z}(\underline{\mathbf{s}})y}.$$

## Generalised reward generator $\mathbf{Z}(\underline{\mathbf{s}})$

Assuming  $\chi(\mathbf{T}_{00} - \mathbf{D}_0\mathbf{R}_0) < 0$ , define

$$\mathbf{Z}(\underline{\mathbf{s}}) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Z}_{++}(\underline{\mathbf{s}}) & \mathbf{Z}_{+-}(\underline{\mathbf{s}}) \\ \mathbf{Z}_{-+}(\underline{\mathbf{s}}) & \mathbf{Z}_{--}(\underline{\mathbf{s}}) \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $\underline{\mathbf{s}} = [s_i]$  and

$$\mathbf{Z}_{++}(\underline{\mathbf{s}}) = \mathbf{C}_+^{-1}[\mathbf{T}_{++} - \mathbf{D}_+\mathbf{R}_+ - \mathbf{T}_{+0}(\mathbf{T}_{00} - \mathbf{D}_0\mathbf{R}_0)^{-1}\mathbf{T}_{0+}]$$

$$\mathbf{Z}_{--}(\underline{\mathbf{s}}) = \mathbf{C}_-^{-1}[\mathbf{T}_{--} - \mathbf{D}_-\mathbf{R}_- - \mathbf{T}_{-0}(\mathbf{T}_{00} - \mathbf{D}_0\mathbf{R}_0)^{-1}\mathbf{T}_{0-}]$$

$$\mathbf{Z}_{+-}(\underline{\mathbf{s}}) = \mathbf{C}_+^{-1}[\mathbf{T}_{+-} - \mathbf{T}_{+0}(\mathbf{T}_{00} - \mathbf{D}_0\mathbf{R}_0)^{-1}\mathbf{T}_{0-}]$$

$$\mathbf{Z}_{-+}(\underline{\mathbf{s}}) = \mathbf{C}_-^{-1}[\mathbf{T}_{-+} - \mathbf{T}_{-0}(\mathbf{T}_{00} - \mathbf{D}_0\mathbf{R}_0)^{-1}\mathbf{T}_{0+}].$$

## Some more notation

Recall

$$\mathcal{S}_+ = \{i \in \mathcal{S} : c_i > 0\}$$

$$\mathcal{S}_- = \{i \in \mathcal{S} : c_i < 0\}$$

$$\mathcal{S}_0 = \{i \in \mathcal{S} : c_i = 0\}.$$

Let, for complex  $s_i$ ,

$$\mathbf{D}_+ = \text{diag}(s_i) \text{ for all } i \in \mathcal{S}_+$$

$$\mathbf{D}_- = \text{diag}(s_i) \text{ for all } i \in \mathcal{S}_-$$

$$\mathbf{D}_0 = \text{diag}(s_i) \text{ for all } i \in \mathcal{S}_0$$

$$\mathbf{R}_+ = \text{diag}(r_i) \text{ for all } i \in \mathcal{S}_+$$

$$\mathbf{R}_- = \text{diag}(r_i) \text{ for all } i \in \mathcal{S}_-$$

$$\mathbf{R}_0 = \text{diag}(r_i) \text{ for all } i \in \mathcal{S}_0.$$

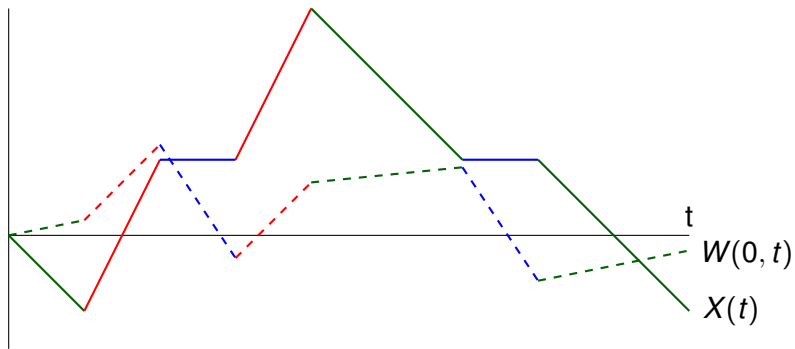


## Total reward $W(z, t)$

Total reward accumulated during  $[z, t]$  is defined as

$$W(z, t) = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{S}} W_i(z, t).$$

# Total reward $W(0, t)$



## Projections of $Z(\underline{s})$

- Replace rewards  $W_i(z, t)$  with total reward  $W(z, t)$ .
- Replace vector  $\underline{s}$  with scalar  $s \in \mathbb{C}$ .
- Derive corresponding **fluid generators**.

## Interpretation of $Q(s)$

We want to know

$$E(e^{-(s\omega(y))} I(\varphi(\omega(y)) = j) \mid \varphi(0) = i)$$

which is the LST of the distribution of

**time**  $\omega(y)$ ,

and  $\varphi(\omega(y)) = j$ ,

given  $\varphi(0) = i$ .

## Projection from $Z(\underline{s})$ to $Q(s)$

Let

$$\mathbf{R}_+ = \mathbf{I}$$

$$\mathbf{R}_- = \mathbf{I}$$

$$\mathbf{R}_0 = \mathbf{I}$$

so that reward is  $r_i = 1$  per unit of time spent in phase  $i$ .

Then the total reward is the total elapsed time,

$$W(z, t) = t - z.$$

## Fluid generator $\mathbf{Q}(s)$

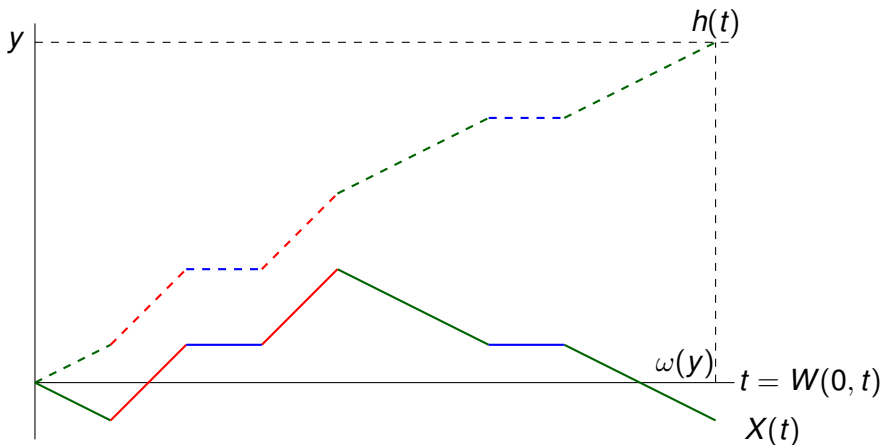
The  $i, j$  th entry of the LST of the distribution is  $[e^{\mathbf{Q}(s)y}]_{ij}$ , where

$$\mathbf{Q}(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q}_{++}(s) & \mathbf{Q}_{+-}(s) \\ \mathbf{Q}_{-+}(s) & \mathbf{Q}_{--}(s) \end{bmatrix},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Q}_{++}(s) &= \mathbf{C}_+^{-1} [\mathbf{T}_{++} - s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{T}_{+0}(\mathbf{T}_{00} - s\mathbf{I})^{-1}\mathbf{T}_{0+}] \\ \mathbf{Q}_{--}(s) &= \mathbf{C}_-^{-1} [\mathbf{T}_{--} - s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{T}_{-0}(\mathbf{T}_{00} - s\mathbf{I})^{-1}\mathbf{T}_{0-}] \\ \mathbf{Q}_{+-}(s) &= \mathbf{C}_+^{-1} [\mathbf{T}_{+-} - \mathbf{T}_{+0}(\mathbf{T}_{00} - s\mathbf{I})^{-1}\mathbf{T}_{0-}] \\ \mathbf{Q}_{-+}(s) &= \mathbf{C}_-^{-1} [\mathbf{T}_{-+} - \mathbf{T}_{-0}(\mathbf{T}_{00} - s\mathbf{I})^{-1}\mathbf{T}_{0+}]. \end{aligned}$$

## Interpretation of $Q(s)$



## Interpretation of $W(s)$

We want to know

$$E(e^{-(sW(0,\omega(y)))} I(\varphi(\omega(y)) = j) \mid \varphi(0) = i)$$

which is the LST of the distribution of **the total shift** in  $Y(\cdot)$ ,  
accumulated at the time  $\omega(y)$   
when the *in-out fluid of the process*  $X(\cdot)$  first reaches level  $y$ ,  
and  $\varphi(\omega(y)) = j$  given  $\varphi(0) = i$ .



## Projection from $Z(\underline{s})$ to $W(\underline{s})$

Let

$$\mathbf{R}_+ = \mathbf{R}_+$$

$$\mathbf{R}_- = \mathbf{R}_-$$

$$\mathbf{R}_0 = \mathbf{R}_0.$$

Then the total reward is the total shift in the second (reward) fluid,

$$W(z, t) = Y(t) - Y(z).$$

## Fluid generator $W(s)$ (most general projection)

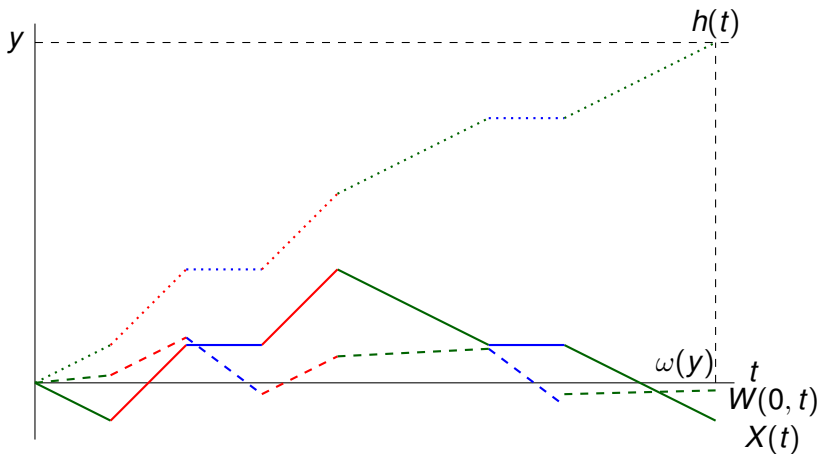
The  $i, j$  th entry of the LST of the distribution is  $[e^{W(s)y}]_{ij}$ , where

$$W(s) = \begin{bmatrix} W_{++}(s) & W_{+-}(s) \\ W_{-+}(s) & W_{--}(s) \end{bmatrix},$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} W_{++}(s) &= \mathbf{C}_+^{-1} [(\mathbf{T}_{++} - s\mathbf{R}_+) - \mathbf{T}_{+0}(\mathbf{T}_{00} - s\mathbf{R}_0)^{-1}\mathbf{T}_{0+}] \\ W_{--}(s) &= \mathbf{C}_-^{-1} [(\mathbf{T}_{--} - s\mathbf{R}_-) - \mathbf{T}_{-0}(\mathbf{T}_{00} - s\mathbf{R}_0)^{-1}\mathbf{T}_{0-}] \\ W_{+-}(s) &= \mathbf{C}_+^{-1} [\mathbf{T}_{+-} - \mathbf{T}_{+0}(\mathbf{T}_{00} - s\mathbf{R}_0)^{-1}\mathbf{T}_{0-}] \\ W_{-+}(s) &= \mathbf{C}_-^{-1} [\mathbf{T}_{-+} - \mathbf{T}_{-0}(\mathbf{T}_{00} - s\mathbf{R}_0)^{-1}\mathbf{T}_{0+}]. \end{aligned}$$

# Interpretation of $W(s)$



## Interpretation of $Z^+(s)$

Define total upward shift

$$h_+(t) = \int_{u=0}^t |c_{\varphi(u)}| I(\varphi(u) \in \mathcal{S}_+) du.$$

We want to know

$$E(e^{-sh_+(t)}) I(\varphi(\omega(y)) = j) \mid \varphi(0) = i$$

is the LST of the distribution of

the **total upward shift** in  $X(t)$

accumulated at time  $\omega(y)$ , and  $\varphi(\omega(y)) = j$ ,

given  $\varphi(0) = i$ .

## Projection to track the total upward shift

Let

$$\mathbf{R}_+ = \mathbf{C}_+$$

$$\mathbf{R}_- = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\mathbf{R}_0 = \mathbf{0},$$

so that the total reward is the total upward shift  $h_+(t)$  in  $X(t)$

$$W(0, t) = h_+(t).$$

# $\mathbf{Z}^+(s)$

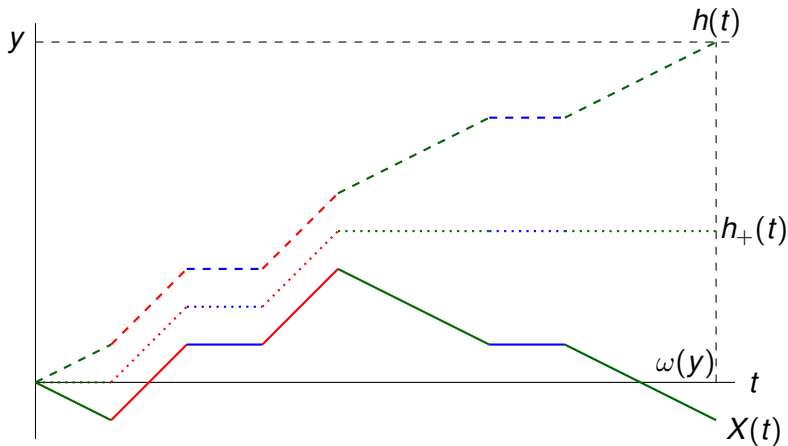
The  $i, j$  th entry of the LST of the distribution is  $[e^{\mathbf{Z}^+(s)y}]_{ij}$  where,

$$\mathbf{Z}^+(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Z}_{++}^+(s) & \mathbf{Z}_{+-}^+(s) \\ \mathbf{Z}_{-+}^+(s) & \mathbf{Z}_{--}^+(s) \end{bmatrix}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Z}_{++}^+(s) &= \mathbf{C}_+^{-1} [\mathbf{T}_{++} - s\mathbf{C}_+ - \mathbf{T}_{+0}(\mathbf{T}_{00})^{-1}\mathbf{T}_{0+}] \\ \mathbf{Z}_{--}^+(s) &= \mathbf{C}_-^{-1} [\mathbf{T}_{--} - \mathbf{T}_{-0}(\mathbf{T}_{00})^{-1}\mathbf{T}_{0-}] \\ \mathbf{Z}_{+-}^+(s) &= \mathbf{C}_+^{-1} [\mathbf{T}_{+-} - \mathbf{T}_{+0}(\mathbf{T}_{00})^{-1}\mathbf{T}_{0-}] \\ \mathbf{Z}_{-+}^+(s) &= \mathbf{C}_-^{-1} [\mathbf{T}_{-+} - \mathbf{T}_{-0}(\mathbf{T}_{00})^{-1}\mathbf{T}_{0+}]. \end{aligned}$$

# Interpretation of $Z^+(s)$



## Density $f_y(x)$

For  $0 \leq x \leq y$ , let  $f_y(x)_{ij}$  be the inverse of the LST  $[e^{Z^+(s)y}]_{ij}$

so that

$$f_y(x)_{ij} = \frac{d}{dx} P(h_+(\omega(y)) \leq x, \varphi(\omega(y)) = j \mid X(0) = 0, \varphi(0) = i)$$

is the probability density that the **total upward shift** in  $X(\cdot)$

accumulated at time  $\omega(y)$  is  **$h_+(\omega(y)) = x$**

and  $\varphi(\omega(y)) = j$ , given  $\varphi(0) = i$ .



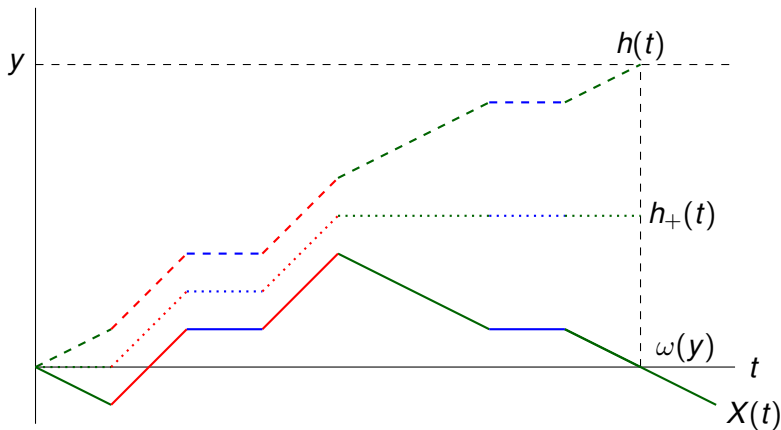
## Consider $f_y(y/2)$

$$f_y(y/2)_{ij}$$

is the probability density that the **total upward shift** in  $X(\cdot)$  accumulated at time  $\omega(y)$  is  **$h_+(\omega(y)) = y/2$**  and  $\varphi(\omega(y)) = j$ , given  $\varphi(0) = i$ .

Total upward shift = Total downward shift.

## Consider $f_y(y/2)$



## Define $M$

Integrate  $f_y(y/2)_{ij}$  over all possible  $y$ ,

$$M_{ij} = \int_{y=0}^{\infty} f_y(y/2)_{ij} dy$$

which we interpret as

the **expected number of visits to state  $(j, 0)$** ,

given that the process starts in state  $(i, 0)$ ,

for all  $i, j \in \mathcal{S}_+ \cup \mathcal{S}_-$ .

# Matrix $M$

## Theorem (3)

*We have*

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{M} &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{M}_{++} & \mathbf{M}_{+-} \\ \mathbf{M}_{-+} & \mathbf{M}_{--} \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \Psi \mathbf{M}_{-+} & (\mathbf{I} - \Psi \Xi)^{-1} \Psi \\ \Xi (\mathbf{I} - \Psi \Xi)^{-1} & \Xi \mathbf{M}_{+-} \end{bmatrix}.
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\Psi, \Xi$  are respective minimum nonnegative solutions to

$$\mathbf{Q}_{+-} + \mathbf{Q}_{++} \Psi + \Psi \mathbf{Q}_{--} + \Psi \mathbf{Q}_{-+} \Psi = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\mathbf{Q}_{-+} + \mathbf{Q}_{--} \Xi + \Xi \mathbf{Q}_{++} + \Xi \mathbf{Q}_{+-} \Xi = \mathbf{0}.$$

## Corollary (1)

$\Psi$  is a solution to the Riccati equation

$$\mathbf{M}_{+-} = \Psi + \Psi \mathbf{M}_{-+} \Psi.$$

## Corollary (2)

$\Psi$  can be explicitly written as

$$\Psi = \mathbf{M}_{+-} (\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{M}_{--})^{-1}.$$

## Work in progress

- Numerical examples.
- Algorithm for computing  $\mathbf{M}$  efficiently.

## Conclusion

- Constructed generalised reward generator  $\mathbf{Z}(\underline{s})$
- considered various projections
- concentrated on  $\mathbf{Z}^+(s)$ 
  - inverted its corresponding LST
  - integrated over all  $y$  to get  $\mathbf{M}$
  - and created an explicit equation for  $\Psi$ .

Thank you for listening



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## Generators derived from $\mathbf{Z}(\underline{\mathbf{s}})$

$$\mathbf{J}_1(\underline{\mathbf{s}}) = \mathbf{Z}_{--}(\underline{\mathbf{s}}) + \mathbf{Z}_{-+}(\underline{\mathbf{s}})\Psi(\underline{\mathbf{s}})$$

$$\mathbf{J}_2(\underline{\mathbf{s}}) = \mathbf{Z}_{++}(\underline{\mathbf{s}}) + \mathbf{Z}_{+-}(\underline{\mathbf{s}})\Xi(\underline{\mathbf{s}})$$

$$\mathbf{J}_3(\underline{\mathbf{s}}) = \mathbf{Z}_{++}(\underline{\mathbf{s}}) + \Psi(\underline{\mathbf{s}})\mathbf{Z}_{-+}(\underline{\mathbf{s}})$$

$$\mathbf{J}_4(\underline{\mathbf{s}}) = \mathbf{Z}_{--}(\underline{\mathbf{s}}) + \Xi(\underline{\mathbf{s}})\mathbf{Z}_{+-}(\underline{\mathbf{s}})$$

$$\mathbf{J}_5(\underline{\mathbf{s}}) = \mathbf{Z}_{++}(\underline{\mathbf{s}}) + \mathbf{Z}_{+-}(\underline{\mathbf{s}})\mathbf{H}^{(b,b)}(\mathbf{0})$$

$$\mathbf{J}_6(\underline{\mathbf{s}}) = \mathbf{Z}_{--}(\underline{\mathbf{s}}) + \mathbf{Z}_{-+}(\underline{\mathbf{s}})\mathbf{G}^{(0,b)}(\mathbf{0})$$