

(1) Exercises from Demo 2 (except 2a,2b).

(2) **explosions**

Let  $(S_n)_{n=1}^\infty$  be a sequence of independent random variables where each  $S_n$  is exponentially distributed with parameter  $\lambda_n > 0$ . We define a stochastic process  $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} T_0 &:= 0, \\ T_n &:= S_1 + \dots + S_n, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}, \\ X_0 &:= 0, \\ X_t &:= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \mathbb{1}_{[T_n, T_{n+1})}(t), \quad t > 0. \end{aligned}$$

We say that the path  $t \mapsto X_t(\omega)$  *explodes*, if  $\tau(\omega) := \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} S_n(\omega) < \infty$ . Explain (use exercise (3) from Demo 2)

- (a) under which conditions and why the process  $X$  either a.s. explodes or a.s. does not explode,
- (b) why a process for which it holds  $\lambda_n = \lambda$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  (which is, in fact the Poisson process) does a.s. not explode.