

## **Economics Seminar, Indian Statistical Institute, New Delhi.**

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TITLE: In-play football prediction

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PLACE: Seminar Room 2

### **Abstract:**

For in-play football prediction, we consider a model based on Poisson arrival rates of goals. We prove that for a given pre-game trinomial predictive distribution of the result (i.e., home, tie and away), there exist a unique pair of Poisson arrival rates which correspond to it. This facilitates the base model of in-play prediction with an absolute minimum requirement of data analysis. This result is extended to non-stationary arrival rates and state (score difference) dependent arrival rates. We perform an empirical investigation of the models using a large set of data from multiple leagues, and contrast the results with those of logistic regression. In the presentation, I will also talk about multiple research opportunities in football, and current work we are doing with an extensive data set from the English Premier League.

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