

EE 633, Queueing Systems
Final Examination (2012-2013S)
Solutions

1. (a) Let the *Effective Service Time Distribution* (Laplace Transform) of a job entering the system (from outside) be $L_{B^*}(s)$.

$$\text{Therefore } L_{B^*}(s) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} p L_B(s) [q L_B(s)]^{k-1} = \frac{p L_B(s)}{1 - q L_B(s)}$$

$$\text{with Mean Effective Service Time } \bar{X}^* = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} p q^{k-1} (k \bar{X}) = \frac{p \bar{X}}{(1-q)^2} = \frac{\bar{X}}{p}$$

where \bar{X} is the mean service time in the actual queue.

$$\text{Effective Traffic} = \rho^* = \lambda \bar{X}^* = \frac{\lambda \bar{X}}{p} = \frac{\rho}{p} \quad \text{where } \rho = \lambda \bar{X}$$

Following the analysis of an M/G/1 queue (and considering the whole system as a M/G/1 queue with the effective service time distribution $L_{B^*}(s)$ as given earlier), we get –

$$P_B(z) = p_0 \frac{(1-z)L_{B^*}(\lambda - \lambda z)}{L_{B^*}(\lambda - \lambda z) - z} \quad \text{with } p_0 = 1 - \rho^*$$

Simplifying this gives,

$$P_B(z) = (p - \rho) \frac{(1-z)L_B(\lambda - \lambda z)}{(p + qz)L_B(\lambda - \lambda z) - z} \quad [5]$$

(b) For point A, the Markov chain may be written at the departure instants with n_i as the number seen left behind in the system by the i^{th} departure.

$$\begin{array}{lll} \text{For } n_i=0 & n_{i+1} = a_{i+1} & \text{probability} = p \\ & = a_{i+1} + 1 & \text{probability} = q \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{lll} \text{For } n_i \geq 1 & n_{i+1} = n_i + a_{i+1} - 1 & \text{probability} = p \\ & = n_i + a_{i+1} & \text{probability} = q \end{array}$$

Therefore, (with $A(z) = E[z^{a_i}]$, note that $A(z) = L_B(\lambda - \lambda z)$)

$$\begin{aligned} P_A(z) &= A(z) p_{A0} [p + qz] + A(z) p z^{-1} [P_A(z) - p_{A0}] + A(z) q [P_A(z) - p_{A0}] \\ P_A(z) &= p_{A0} \frac{(1-z)(p + qz)A(z)}{[(p + qz)A(z) - z]} \end{aligned}$$

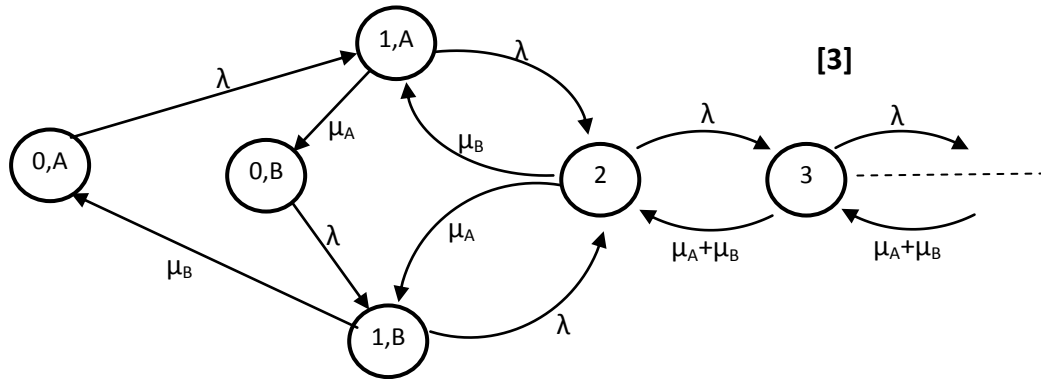
Directly taking means of the LHS and RHS of the Markov Chain expressions at equilibrium and using $E\{n_i\} = E\{n_{i+1}\} = N$ and $E\{a_{i+1}\} = \lambda \bar{X} = \rho$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} N &= N + \lambda \bar{X} + p_{A0} q - (1 - p_{A0}) p & \Rightarrow p_{A0} &= p - \rho \\ 0 &= \rho + p_{A0} - p \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Therefore } P_A(z) = (p - \rho) \frac{(1-z)(p + qz)A(z)}{[(p + qz)A(z) - z]} = (p - \rho) \frac{(1-z)(p + qz)L_B(\lambda - \lambda z)}{[(p + qz)L_B(\lambda - \lambda z) - z]} \quad [5]$$

2. A State Transition Diagram for this system is given below. Note that states 2, 3, ... ∞ are normally defined. The other states are defined as follows –

- {1,A} one customer in the system, Server A working
- {1,B} one customer in the system, Server B working
- {0,A} system empty, Server A idle for longer time than Server B
- {0,B} system empty, Server B idle for longer time than Server A



Solving the balance equations for this we get –

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_{0A} = p_{0B} &= \frac{\mu_A \mu_B}{\lambda^2} p_2 & p_{1A} &= \frac{\mu_B}{\lambda} p_2 & p_{1B} &= \frac{\mu_A}{\lambda} p_2 \\
 p_n &= \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_A + \mu_B} \right)^{n-2} p_2 & n &= 2, 3, 4, \dots
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{5}$$

The normalization condition will then give

$$p_2 = \frac{1}{\left(2 \frac{\mu_A \mu_B}{\lambda^2} + \frac{\mu_A + \mu_B}{\lambda} + \frac{\mu_A + \mu_B}{\mu_A + \mu_B - \lambda} \right)}$$

Using p_2 from above, the required probabilities in terms of p_2 are –

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_0 &= 2 \frac{\mu_A \mu_B}{\lambda^2} p_2 \\
 p_1 &= \frac{\mu_A + \mu_B}{\lambda} p_2 \\
 p_n &= \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu_A + \mu_B} \right)^{n-2} p_2 \quad n = 2, 3, 4, \dots
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{2}$$

3. (a) Let P_B be the probability of blocking and $\rho = \lambda \bar{X}$

Then $p_0 = 1 - \rho(1 - P_B)$ and also $p_0 = 1 - P_B$

Therefore, $1 - P_B = \frac{1}{1 + \rho}$

$$\text{or } P_B = \frac{\rho}{1 + \rho} = \frac{\lambda \bar{X}}{1 + \lambda \bar{X}} \tag{2}$$

(b) (i) In one busy-idle cycle, Mean Length of Idle Period $\bar{I} = \frac{K}{\lambda} = \frac{K\bar{X}}{\rho}$

Let Mean Length of Busy Period = \overline{BP}

Then

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{BP} &= \bar{X} + \Delta + \lambda(\bar{X} + \Delta) \left(\frac{\bar{X}}{1-\rho} \right) + (K-1) \left[\bar{X} + \lambda\bar{X} \left(\frac{\bar{X}}{1-\rho} \right) \right] \\ &= \frac{K\bar{X} + \Delta}{1-\rho}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{and } \bar{T}_{cycle} = \bar{I} + \overline{BP} = \frac{K\bar{X}}{\rho} + \frac{K\bar{X} + \Delta}{1-\rho} = \frac{K\bar{X} + \rho\Delta}{\rho(1-\rho)}$$

$$\text{Therefore } P\{\text{Server Busy}\} = \frac{\overline{BP}}{\bar{I} + \overline{BP}} = \frac{K\rho + \lambda\Delta}{K + \lambda\Delta} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{(K\bar{X} + \Delta)\rho}{(K\bar{X} + \rho\Delta)} \quad [5]$$

$$(ii) \quad P\{\text{system empty}\} = \frac{1}{\bar{I} + \overline{BP}} = \frac{\bar{X}(1-\rho)}{K\bar{X} + \rho\Delta} \quad [3]$$

4. Utilizing the symmetry of the network, it is evident that $\lambda_1 = \lambda_3$ and $\lambda_2 = \lambda_4$

Also $\lambda_1 = \lambda + 0.5\lambda_2$ and $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2$

Therefore $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = \lambda_4 = 2\lambda$

$$\tilde{\lambda} = (2\lambda, 2\lambda, 2\lambda, 2\lambda) \quad \tilde{\rho} = (2\rho, \rho, \rho, 2\rho) \quad \tilde{V} = (1, 1, 1, 1)$$

(a) For system to be stable, we need $2\rho < 1$ or $\rho < 0.5$ or $\lambda < 0.5\mu$ [2]

$$(b) \quad \begin{aligned}\tilde{\lambda} &= (0.2, 0.2, 0.2, 0.2) \quad \tilde{\rho} = (0.2, 0.1, 0.1, 0.2) \\ \tilde{N} &= (0.25, 0.1111, 0.1111, 0.25) \\ \tilde{W} &= (1.25, 0.5556, 0.5556, 1.25)\end{aligned}$$

Therefore Mean Transit Time = 3.6111 [3]

(c) Set $\lambda_B = 0$ (Note that the symmetry used earlier can no longer be used)

$$\lambda_3 = 0.5\lambda_4 \quad \lambda_4 = 0.5\lambda_3 + 0.5\lambda_1 \Rightarrow \lambda_3 = \frac{1}{3}\lambda_1 \quad \lambda_4 = \frac{2}{3}\lambda_1$$

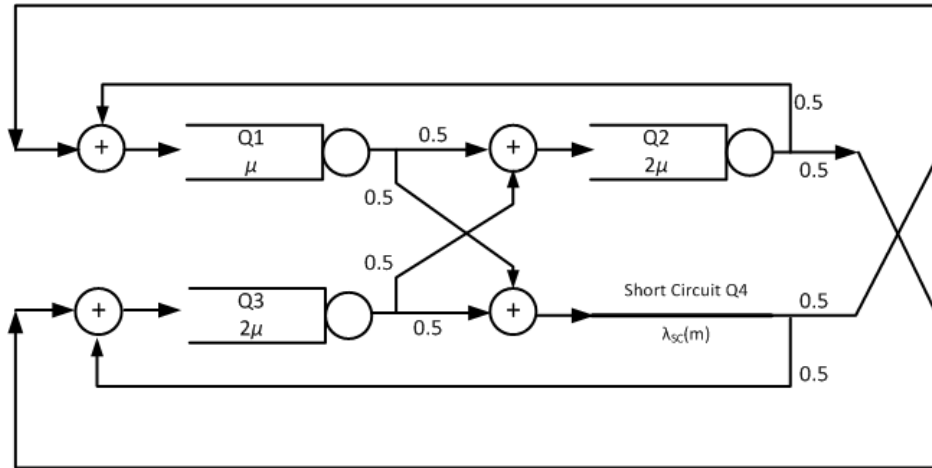
$$\lambda_2 = 0.5\lambda_3 + 0.5\lambda_1 = \frac{2}{3}\lambda_1$$

$$\lambda_1 = \lambda + 0.5\lambda_2 \quad \lambda_1 = \lambda + \frac{1}{3}\lambda_1 \quad \lambda_1 = 1.5\lambda = 0.15$$

$$\tilde{\lambda} = (0.15, 0.1, 0.05, 0.1) \quad \tilde{V} = (1.5, 1, 0.5, 1)$$

Mean Transit Time for jobs entering from A = 3.9584 [5]

5. (a) Since Q4 is the designated sub-network, for computation of the FES, we need to redraw the network with Q4 shorted. We then compute $T(j)$ as the throughput through that short for $j=1,2,\dots,M$ where j is the number of jobs circulating in the network. (Note $M=4$)



Choose Q1 as the reference queue

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_1 &= 0.5\lambda_2 + 0.5[0.5\lambda_1 + 0.5\lambda_3] & 0.75\lambda_1 &= 0.5\lambda_2 + 0.25\lambda_3 \\ \lambda_2 &= 0.5\lambda_1 + 0.5\lambda_3 & 0.5\lambda_1 &= \lambda_2 - 0.5\lambda_3 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = \lambda_1$ and $T(j) = 0.5\lambda_1 + 0.5\lambda_2 = \lambda_1$

Choosing Q1 as the reference queue with $\lambda_1 = \mu$, we get –

Relative Throughputs	$\lambda_1 = \mu$	$\lambda_2 = \mu$	$\lambda_3 = \mu$
Visit Ratios	$V_1 = 1$	$V_2 = 1$	$V_3 = 1$
Relative Utilizations	$u_1 = 1$	$u_2 = 0.5$	$u_3 = 0.5$

Initialization $N_1 = 0$ $N_2 = 0$ $N_3 = 0$

Recursion

	$W_1(1) = 1$	$W_2(1) = 0.5$	$W_3(1) = 0.5$	$\lambda = \frac{1}{2} = 0.5$
$m=1$	$\lambda_1^*(1) = 0.5$	$\lambda_2^*(1) = 0.5$	$\lambda_3^*(1) = 0.5$	
	$N_1(1) = 0.5$	$N_2(1) = 0.25$	$N_3(1) = 0.25$	
$m=2$	$W_1(2) = 1.5$	$W_2(2) = 0.625$	$W_3(2) = 0.625$	$\lambda = 0.7273$
	$\lambda_1^*(2) = 0.7273$	$\lambda_2^*(2) = 0.7273$	$\lambda_3^*(2) = 0.7273$	
	$N_1(2) = 1.091$	$N_2(2) = 0.4546$	$N_3(2) = 0.4546$	

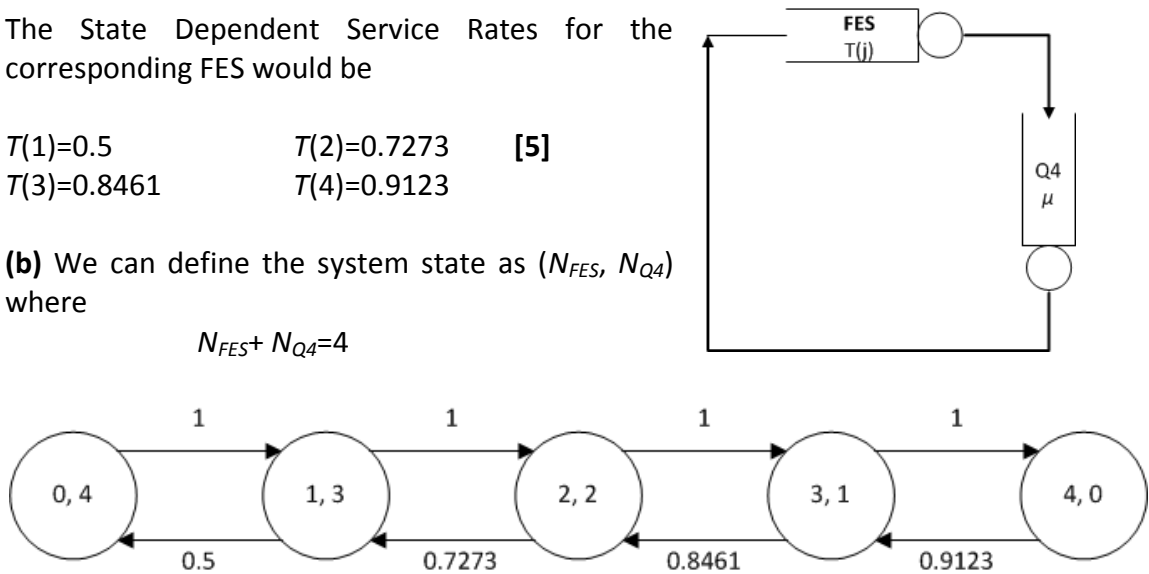
$$\begin{array}{l}
m=3 \quad W_1(3) = 2.091 \quad W_2(3) = 0.7273 \quad W_3(3) = 0.7273 \quad \lambda = 0.8461 \\
\lambda_1^*(3) = 0.8461 \quad \lambda_2^*(3) = 0.8461 \quad \lambda_3^*(3) = 0.8461 \\
N_1(3) = 1.7692 \quad N_2(3) = 0.6154 \quad N_3(3) = 0.6154 \\
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m=4=M \quad W_1(4) = 2.7692 \quad W_2(4) = 0.8077 \quad W_3(4) = 0.8077 \quad \lambda = 0.9123 \\
\lambda_1^*(4) = 0.9123 \quad \lambda_2^*(4) = 0.9123 \quad \lambda_3^*(4) = 0.9123 \\
N_1(4) = 2.5263 \quad N_2(4) = 0.7369 \quad N_3(4) = 0.7369
\end{array}$$

The State Dependent Service Rates for the corresponding FES would be

$$\begin{array}{l}
T(1)=0.5 \quad T(2)=0.7273 \quad [5] \\
T(3)=0.8461 \quad T(4)=0.9123
\end{array}$$

(b) We can define the system state as (N_{FES}, N_{Q4}) where

$$N_{FES} + N_{Q4} = 4$$



The corresponding balance equations can be written to solve for the system state probabilities.

$$\begin{array}{l}
0.5p_{13} = p_{04} \quad p_{13} = 2p_{04} \\
0.7273p_{22} = p_{13} \quad p_{22} = 2.7499p_{04} \\
0.8461p_{31} = p_{22} \quad p_{31} = 3.25p_{04} \\
0.9123p_{40} = p_{31} \quad p_{40} = 3.5624p_{04}
\end{array}$$

Since $p_{04} + p_{13} + p_{22} + p_{31} + p_{40} = 1$, we get –

$$\begin{array}{l}
P_4 = p_{04} = 0.0796 \\
P_3 = p_{13} = 0.1592 \\
P_2 = p_{22} = 0.2189 \\
P_1 = p_{31} = 0.2587 \\
P_0 = p_{40} = 0.2836
\end{array} \quad [5]$$