

14. Groups arrive according to a Poisson process with mean  $\lambda$ . Each group contains  $i$  jobs with probability  $g_i$ .

(a) Consider a time interval  $[0, t]$ .

Assume that  $n$  groups arrive during the interval.  $P(n \text{ groups arrive}) = \frac{(\lambda t)^n}{n!} e^{-\lambda t}$ ,  $n \geq 0$ .

Let  $m_j$  be the number of jobs that arrive in group  $j$ .  $P(m_j = i) = g_i$ . The generating function

for  $m_j$  is  $G(z) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} g_i z^i$ . All  $m_j$  have the same probability distribution.

Let  $X$  be the number of jobs that arrive during interval  $[0, t]$ .

$X$  is the sum of all  $m_j$  (if  $n=0$ , then  $X=0$ ). Therefore,  $X = \sum_j m_j$ .

This means that the generating function for  $X$ , conditioned on  $n$  groups is given by

$$P_X(z|n) = [G(z)]^n$$

The theorem of total probability is used to remove the condition on  $n$ :

$$\begin{aligned} P_X(z) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_X(z|n) \cdot P(n) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [G(z)]^n \frac{(\lambda t)^n}{n!} e^{-\lambda t} = e^{-\lambda t} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda t G(z))^n}{n!} \\ &= e^{-\lambda t} \cdot e^{\lambda t G(z)} = e^{-\lambda t(1-G(z))} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Now we must condition on  $t$  as well.

Let  $T$  be the length of a service time.

Let  $v$  be the number of jobs that arrive during a service time.

The density function for  $T$  is  $b(t)$ , with Laplace transform  $B^*(s)$ .

This means that  $P_v(z|T=t) = e^{-\lambda t(1-G(z))}$ .

Use the theorem of total probability to remove the condition on  $T$ :

$$P_v(z) = \int_0^{\infty} P_v(z|T=t) b(t) dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\lambda t(1-G(z))} b(t) dt$$

This is the same as the Laplace transform for  $b(t)$  evaluated in  $s=\lambda(1-G(z))$ ,

that is  $P_v(z) = B^*(\lambda - \lambda G(z))$

## Solutions for the exercises in Chapter 6 (Queueing networks)

1. Since system 1 is an M/M/1-system with infinite queue, the arrivals at system 2 and 3 will be Poisson distributed with means  $\lambda_2$  and  $\lambda_3$  jobs per time unit. Also,  $\lambda_2 = \alpha \cdot \lambda_1 = 7$  and  $\lambda_3 = (1 - \alpha) \cdot \lambda_1 = 3$ .

(a) For a single server queue, the utilisation  $U = N_s = \lambda_{eff} \cdot E[X]$ .

$$\text{System 1: } U_1 = \lambda_1 \cdot \frac{1}{\mu_1} = \frac{2}{3} \approx 0,67$$

$$\text{System 2: } U_2 = \lambda_2 \cdot \frac{1}{\mu_2} = \frac{7}{10} = 0,7$$

$$\text{System 3: } U_3 = \lambda_3 \cdot \frac{1}{\mu_3} = \frac{3}{5} = 0,6$$

This means that system 2 has the highest utilisation.

- (b) The average total number of jobs in the system is given by  $\bar{N}_{tot} = \bar{N}_1 + \bar{N}_2 + \bar{N}_3$  where  $\bar{N}_m$  is the average number of jobs in system  $m$ .

$$\text{Each system is an M/M/1-systems, which means that } \bar{N}_m = \frac{\rho_m}{1 - \rho_m} \text{ d\u00e4r } \rho_m = \frac{\lambda_m}{\mu_m}.$$

$$\text{This gives } \bar{N}_1 = 2, \bar{N}_2 \approx 2,33, \bar{N}_3 = 1,5 \text{ and } \bar{N}_{tot} \approx 5,83.$$

- (c) Let  $W_{tot}$  be the average total waiting time for a random job.

Little's theorem gives that  $W_{tot} = \bar{N}_{q_{tot}} / \lambda$  where  $\bar{N}_{q_{tot}}$  is the average total number of jobs in the queues.

$$\bar{N}_{q_{tot}} = \bar{N}_{q1} + \bar{N}_{q2} + \bar{N}_{q3} \text{ where } \bar{N}_{qm} \text{ is the average number of jobs in queue } m.$$

Also,  $\bar{N}_{qm} = \bar{N}_m - N_{s,m}$  where  $N_{s,m} = \lambda_m \cdot E[X] = U_m$  is the average number of jobs in server  $m$ .

$$\text{This means that } \bar{N}_{q1} \approx 1,33, \bar{N}_{q2} \approx 1,63, \bar{N}_{q3} \approx 0,9 \text{ and } \bar{N}_{q_{tot}} \approx 3,86$$

$$\text{which gives } W_{tot} \approx 0,39.$$

2. The arrival processes for system 2 and 3 are Poissonian, which means that system 2 is an M/M/1-system and system 3 is an M/M/2 loss system (Erlang).

(a)  $\lambda_1 = \lambda = 1/15, \lambda_2 = \beta\lambda_1 = 1/75, \lambda_3 = (1 - \beta)\lambda_1 = 4/75.$

(b) Let  $\rho_m = \lambda_m \cdot \bar{x}_m$ , which gives  $\rho_1 = 2/3, \rho_2 = 2/5,$  and  $\rho_3 = 16/15.$

$$\text{Systems 1 and 2 are M/M/1, which give } \bar{N}_1 = \frac{\rho_1}{1 - \rho_1} = 2 \text{ and } \bar{N}_2 = \frac{\rho_2}{1 - \rho_2} = \frac{2}{3}.$$

System 3 is an Erlang system, which means that

$$\bar{N}_3 = \bar{N}_{s,3} = \lambda_{eff,3} \cdot \bar{x}_3 = \rho_3(1 - E_2(\rho_3)) \approx 0.8364.$$

(To find  $E_2(\rho_3)$ , either use the Erlang tables and interpolate or calculate it directly).

- (c) The average blocked rate of jobs in system 3:  $\lambda_{b,3} = \lambda_3 \cdot E_2(\rho_3) \approx 0.0115$  jobs per time unit.

(d) A job can choose one of three ways through the network:

A: System 1 + System 2

B: System 1 + System 3 (no blocking)

C: System 1 + Blocked at system 3

Let  $T_i$  = Total average time in the system for a job that chooses way  $i$ .

$$T_A = T_1 + T_2, T_B = T_1 + T_3, \text{ and } T_C = T_1.$$

System 1 and 2 are M/M/1, which means that  $T_1 = \frac{\bar{x}_1}{1 - \rho_1} = 30$  and  $T_2 = \frac{\bar{x}_2}{1 - \rho_2} = 50$ .

System 3 is a loss system, which means that  $T_3 = \bar{x}_3 = 20$ .

Therefore,  $T_A = 80$ ,  $T_B = 50$ , and  $T_C = 30$ .

A job that is not blocked has gone way A or B. We need to find the probabilities that a job that is not blocked goes way A and B respectively.

Let  $\Lambda_i$  = average number of jobs per time unit that chooses way  $i$ .

This means that  $\Lambda_A = \lambda_2 = 1/75$ ,  $\Lambda_B = \lambda_3(1 - E_2(\rho_3)) \approx 0.0427$ , and

$$\Lambda_C = \lambda_3 E_2(\rho_3) \approx 0.0107.$$

Note that  $\Lambda_A + \Lambda_B + \Lambda_C = \lambda$  since a job must choose one of the ways.

Now,

$$P(\text{a job chooses way A (of A and B)}) = p_A = \frac{\Lambda_A}{\Lambda_A + \Lambda_B} \approx 0.2375$$

$$P(\text{a job chooses way B (of A and B)}) = p_B = \frac{\Lambda_B}{\Lambda_A + \Lambda_B} \approx 0.7625$$

Let  $T_{tot}$  = average total time in the system for a job that is not blocked.

The theorem of total probability gives that  $T_{tot} = p_A \cdot T_A + p_B \cdot T_B \approx 57$  time units.

(e) Do the same steps as in (d), but use  $W$  instead.

$$W_1 = T_1 - \bar{x}_1 = 20, W_2 = T_2 - \bar{x}_2 = 20, W_3 = 0.$$

$$W_A = W_1 + W_2 = 40, W_B = W_1 + W_3 = 20, W_C = W_1 = 20.$$

$$W_{tot} = p_A \cdot W_A + p_B \cdot W_B \approx 25.$$

3. The arrival process at system 2 is Poissonian.

(a) Arrival rate:  $\lambda_2 = (1 - \alpha)\lambda = 0.04$  jobs per second.

$$\text{Offered load: } \rho_2 = \lambda_2 \cdot \bar{x}_2 = 2.4 \text{ Erlangs}$$

(b) P(a job is blocked at system 2) =  $E_3(\rho_2) \approx 0.2684$ .

(c) System 1 is an M/M/1, which gives  $\bar{N}_1 = \frac{\lambda_1 \bar{x}_1}{1 - \lambda_1 \bar{x}_1} = 1$ .

System 2 is an M/M/3 loss system, which means that  $\bar{N}_2 = \bar{N}_{s,2} = \rho_2(1 - E_3(\rho_2)) \approx 1.8$ .

(d) Carried load:  $\rho_{c,2} = \bar{N}_2 \approx 1.8$  Erlangs.

$$\text{Blocked load: } \rho_{b,2} = \rho_2 - \rho_{c,2} = 0.6 \text{ Erlangs.}$$

(e)  $\lambda_{ut,2} = \lambda_{eff,2} = \lambda_2(1 - E_3(\rho_2)) \approx 0.029$  jobs per second.

4. Let  $\lambda_k$ =average arrival rate for system  $k$ .  $\lambda_1=4$  and  $\lambda_2=2$  are given in the text.

From the figure we see that  $\lambda_3 = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 6$ ,  $\lambda_4 = \alpha\lambda_3 = 4$  and  $\lambda_5 = (1 - \alpha)\lambda_3 = 2$ .

Also, let  $\rho_k = \lambda_k/\mu_k$  which means that  $\rho_1 = 0,8$ ,  $\rho_2 = 0,4$ ,  $\rho_3 = 0,75$ ,

$$\rho_4 = 2 \quad \text{and} \quad \rho_5 = 1/3.$$

(a) Let  $\bar{N}_k$  the average number of jobs in system  $k$ .

$$\bar{N}_1 = \frac{\rho_1}{1 - \rho_1} = 4, \bar{N}_2 = \frac{\rho_2}{1 - \rho_2} = \frac{2}{3}, \bar{N}_3 = \frac{\rho_3}{1 - \rho_3} = 3,$$

$$\bar{N}_4 = \rho_4 \cdot (1 - E_3(\rho_4)) \approx 1.58 \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{N}_5 = \frac{\rho_5}{1 - \rho_5} = \frac{1}{2}$$

(b) Jobs can only be blocked in system 4.

$$\text{Average rate of blocked jobs} = \lambda_b = \lambda_4 \cdot E_3(\rho_4) \approx 0,84.$$

(c) Let  $T_k$  be the average time in system  $k$ . Little's theorem gives:

$$T_1 = \frac{\bar{N}_1}{\lambda_1} = 1, T_2 = \frac{\bar{N}_2}{\lambda_2} \approx 0.333, T_3 = \frac{\bar{N}_3}{\lambda_3} = 0.5, T_4 = \frac{1}{\mu_4} = 0.5 \quad \text{and}$$

$$T_5 = \frac{\bar{N}_5}{\lambda_5} = 0.25$$

A job that is not blocked must have chosen one of the following four paths:

Path A: System 1+3+4; Path B: 1+3+5; Path C: 2+3+4; Path D: 2+3+5

Let  $T_i$  be the total average time in the system for a job that chooses path  $i$  and that is not blocked.

$$T_A = T_1 + T_3 + T_4 = 2, T_B = T_1 + T_3 + T_5 = 1.75,$$

$$T_C = T_2 + T_3 + T_4 \approx 1.333 \quad \text{and} \quad T_D = T_1 + T_3 + T_5 \approx 1.083$$

Let  $\Lambda_i$  = average rate of jobs that chooses path  $i$  and that is not blocked.

$$\Lambda_A = \lambda_1\alpha(1 - E_3(\rho_4)) \approx 2.105, \Lambda_B = \lambda_1(1 - \alpha) \approx 1.333,$$

$$\Lambda_C = \lambda_2\alpha(1 - E_3(\rho_4)) \approx 1.053 \quad \text{and} \quad \Lambda_D = \lambda_2(1 - \alpha) \approx 0.667$$

This means that  $P(\text{a job chooses path } i) = p_i = \frac{\Lambda_i}{\Lambda_A + \Lambda_B + \Lambda_C + \Lambda_D}$  and therefore

$$p_A \approx 0,408, p_B \approx 0,258, p_C \approx 0,204 \quad \text{and} \quad p_D \approx 0,129$$

The theorem of total probability gives that the average total time in the system for a random job

that is not blocked,  $T_{tot} = \sum_{i=A}^D p_i \cdot T_i \approx 1.7$  seconds.

(d) Let  $W$  = total average waiting time for a random job (also jobs that are blocked).

Little's theorem gives that  $W = \bar{N}_{qtot}/\lambda_{eff}$  where  $\bar{N}_{qtot}$  is the total average number of jobs in the queues and  $\lambda_{eff}$  is the average rate of jobs that enters the network, that is

$$\lambda_{eff} = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 6.$$

$$\bar{N}_{qtot} = \sum_{k=1}^5 \bar{N}_{qk} \quad \text{where} \quad \bar{N}_{qk} \quad \text{is the average number of jobs in queue } k.$$

$p_0$  is found by using the normalisation condition:  $\sum_{k=0}^5 p_k = 1 \Rightarrow p_0 = \frac{5}{24}$ .

The average number of jobs in system 1,  $\bar{N}_1 = 1 \cdot p_{1,0} + 1 \cdot p_{1,1} + 1 \cdot p_{1,2} = \frac{1}{2}$ .

The average number of jobs in system 1,

$$\bar{N}_2 = 1 \cdot p_{0,1} + 1 \cdot p_{1,1} + 2 \cdot p_{0,2} + 2 \cdot p_{1,2} = \frac{7}{12}$$

(b) Average rate of jobs that are served in system 2.

$$\text{Alternative 1: } \lambda_{eff,2} = \mu p_{1,0} + \mu p_{1,1} = \frac{11}{24}$$

$$\text{Alternative 2: } \lambda_{eff,2} = \lambda_{ut,2} = \mu p_{0,1} + \mu p_{1,1} + 2\mu p_{0,2} + 2\mu p_{1,2} = \frac{11}{24}$$

$$\text{Little's theorem gives that } T_2 = \frac{\bar{N}_2}{\lambda_{eff,2}} = \frac{14}{11}$$

(c) If the systems are independent is the following condition fulfilled:

$P(k \text{ jobs in system 1 and } m \text{ jobs in system 2}) = P(k \text{ jobs in system 1})P(m \text{ jobs in system 2})$ .

Example:

$$P(0 \text{ jobs in system 1 and } 0 \text{ jobs in system 2}) = p_{0,0} = \frac{5}{24}$$

$$P(0 \text{ jobs in system 1}) = p_{0,0} + p_{0,1} + p_{0,2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$P(0 \text{ jobs in system 2}) = p_{0,0} + p_{1,0} = \frac{13}{24}$$

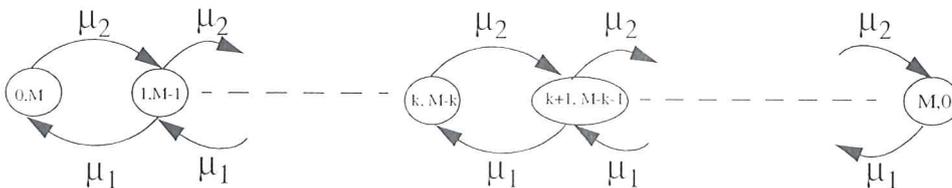
This means that the condition is not fulfilled since  $\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{13}{24} \neq \frac{5}{24}$ .

7.

(a) Let state  $i,j = i$  jobs in system 1 and  $j$  jobs in system 2.

$p_{i,j} = P(i \text{ jobs in system 1 and } j \text{ jobs in system 2})$

State diagram:



The "cut-method" gives the following global balance equations:

$$\mu_2 p_{k, M-k} = \mu_1 p_{k+1, M-k-1} \quad 0 \leq k < M$$

which means that  $p_{k, M-k} = \left(\frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1}\right)^k p_{0, M}$ .

$p_{0, M}$  is found with the normalisation condition:

$$\sum_{k=0}^M p_{k, M-k} = 1 \Rightarrow p_{0, M} = \frac{1 - \mu_2/\mu_1}{1 - (\mu_2/\mu_1)^{M+1}}$$

$$\bar{N}_{q1} = \frac{\rho_1^2}{1-\rho_1} = 3.2, \bar{N}_{q2} = \frac{\rho_2^2}{1-\rho_2} \approx 0.267, \bar{N}_{q3} = \frac{\rho_3^2}{1-\rho_3} = 2.25,$$

$$\bar{N}_{q4} = 0 \text{ and } \bar{N}_{q5} = \frac{\rho_5^2}{1-\rho_5} \approx 0.167 \text{ which means that } \bar{N}_{qtot} \approx 5.88.$$

Therefore,  $W \approx 0.98$  seconds.

5. Note that the arrival process for system 2 is *not* Poissonian!

Offered load for system 1 = Offered load for the whole system:  $\rho = \lambda \cdot \bar{x}$ .

Offered load for system 2 = Blocked load for system 1:  $\rho_{o,2} = \rho_{b,1} = \rho E_{m_1}(\rho)$ .

Blocked load for system 2 = Blocked load for the whole system:  $\rho_{b,2} = \rho_b = \rho E_{m_1+m_2}(\rho)$ .

Explanation: A job is blocked when all servers are busy. For this job, the system acts as an  $M/M(m_1+m_2)$  loss system with offered load  $\rho$ .

Carried load for system 2:  $\rho_{c,2} = \rho_{o,2} - \rho_{b,2} = \rho E_{m_1}(\rho) - \rho E_{m_1+m_2}(\rho)$ .

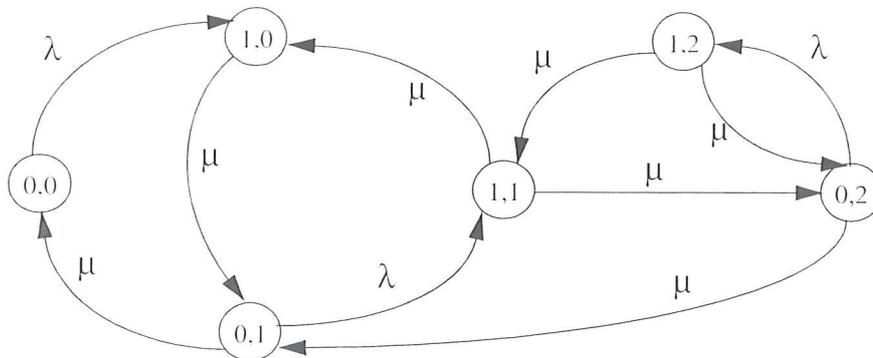
6. This system must be analysed with a Markov chain.

State  $i,j$ :  $i$  jobs in system 1,  $j$  jobs in system 2.

A job that departs from system 1 becomes an arrival at system 2.

$\lambda=1$ =arrival intensity,  $\mu=1$ =service intensity.

State diagram:



- (a) Let  $p_{0,0} = p_0, p_{1,0} = p_1, p_{0,1} = p_2, p_{1,1} = p_3, p_{0,2} = p_4$ , and  $p_{1,2} = p_5$   
 "Flow-in-flow-out" method gives the following global balance equations:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \lambda p_0 &= \mu p_1 \\ \mu p_1 &= \lambda p_0 + \mu p_3 \\ (\lambda + \mu) p_2 &= \mu p_1 + \mu p_4 \\ 2\mu p_3 &= \mu p_5 + \lambda p_2 \\ (\lambda + \mu) p_4 &= \mu p_5 + \mu p_3 \\ 2\mu p_5 &= \lambda p_4 \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow [\lambda = \mu = 1] \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{aligned} p_1 &= \frac{8}{5} p_0 \\ p_2 &= p_0 \\ p_3 &= \frac{3}{5} p_0 \\ p_4 &= \frac{2}{5} p_0 \\ p_5 &= \frac{1}{5} p_0 \end{aligned} \right.$$

(b) Let  $U_1$  = utilisation of server 1,  $U_1 = P(\text{server 1 is busy})$ :

$$U_1 = \sum_{k=1}^M P_{k, M-k} = 1 - P_{0, M} = \dots = (\mu_2/\mu_1) \cdot \frac{1 - (\mu_2/\mu_1)^M}{1 - (\mu_2/\mu_1)^{M+1}}$$

(c) Let  $\Lambda_2$  = rate of jobs that leave system 2.

$$\Lambda_2 = \mu_2 \cdot P(\text{server 2 busy}) = \mu_2 \cdot (1 - P_{M, 0})$$

(d) Let  $U_2$  = utilisation of server 2.

$$U_2 = \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} P_{k, M-k} = 1 - P_{M, 0} = \dots = \frac{1 - (\mu_2/\mu_1)^M}{1 - (\mu_2/\mu_1)^{M+1}} = (\mu_1/\mu_2) \cdot U_1$$

This also means that  $\Lambda_2 = \mu_2 \cdot U_2 = \mu_1 \cdot U_1$ .

M	$U_1$	$U_2$	$\Lambda_2$
1	0.09090	0.9090	0.0909
2	0.0991	0.9910	0.0991
3	0.0999	0.9990	0.0999
5	0.0999	0.9999	0.0999

As can be seen in the table, system 2 quickly becomes a bottleneck.

8. Since new requests arrive according to a Poisson process, and systems are M/M/1 with unlimited queues, we can analyse each system independently.

(a) The following is valid:

$$\lambda_1 = \lambda + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3; \lambda_2 = (1 - \alpha)\beta\lambda_1 \text{ and } \lambda_3 = (1 - \alpha)(1 - \beta)\lambda_1.$$

$$\text{This means that } \lambda_1 = \lambda/\alpha, \lambda_2 = \frac{1 - \alpha}{\alpha} \cdot \beta\lambda \text{ and } \lambda_3 = \frac{1 - \alpha}{\alpha} \cdot (1 - \beta)\lambda$$

(b) Let  $\rho_k = \lambda_k/\mu_k$ . The average total number of requests in the site,  $\bar{N}_{tot} = \bar{N}_1 + \bar{N}_2 + \bar{N}_3$  where  $\bar{N}_k$  is the average number of requests in system  $k$ .

Since each system is an M/M/1-system,  $\bar{N}_k = \frac{\rho_k}{1 - \rho_k}$ , which means that

$$\bar{N}_{tot} = \frac{\rho_1}{1 - \rho_1} + \frac{\rho_2}{1 - \rho_2} + \frac{\rho_3}{1 - \rho_3}.$$

(c) Let  $T$  = the average total time a request spends in the site before completed.

Little's theorem gives that  $T = \bar{N}_{tot}/\lambda_{eff}$  where  $\lambda_{eff}$  is the average rate of requests that enters the site. Since no requests are blocked,  $\lambda_{eff} = \lambda$ , which means that  $T = \bar{N}_{tot}/\lambda$ .

(d) Let  $W$  = average total waiting time for a request.

Little's theorem again gives  $W = \bar{N}_{qtot}/\lambda$  where  $\bar{N}_{qtot}$  is the average total number of requests in the queues.

$\bar{N}_{q_{tot}} = \bar{N}_{q_1} + \bar{N}_{q_2} + \bar{N}_{q_3}$  where  $\bar{N}_{q_k}$  is the average number of requests in queue  $k$ .

$$\bar{N}_{q_k} = \frac{\rho_k^2}{1 - \rho_k}, \text{ which means that } \bar{N}_{q_{tot}} = \frac{\rho_1^2}{1 - \rho_1} + \frac{\rho_2^2}{1 - \rho_2} + \frac{\rho_3^2}{1 - \rho_3}.$$

(e) The average number of completed requests per time unit =  $\lambda_{out} = \lambda_{eff} = \lambda$ .

9. Let  $\lambda_i$  = arrival rate for system  $i$ .

$$\lambda_1 = \lambda = 10, \lambda_2 = \lambda + \alpha\lambda_2 \Rightarrow \lambda_2 = 25, \lambda_3 = \beta\lambda = 7.5, \text{ and } \lambda_4 = (1 - \beta)\lambda = 2.5.$$

$$\text{Let } \rho_i = \lambda_i / \mu_i: \rho_1 = 1/2, \rho_2 = 5/8, \rho_3 = 2.5, \text{ and } \rho_4 = 2.5.$$

(a) Let  $\bar{N}_i$  = average number of jobs in system  $i$ .

$$\bar{N}_1 = \frac{\rho_1}{1 - \rho_1} = 1, \bar{N}_2 = \frac{\rho_2}{1 - \rho_2} = \frac{5}{3},$$

$$\bar{N}_3 = \rho_3 \cdot (1 - E_{10}(\rho_3)) \approx 2.5, \bar{N}_4 = \rho_4 \cdot (1 - E_5(\rho_4)) \approx 2.33.$$

(b) Jobs are blocked in systems 3 and 4.

$$\lambda_{b,3} = \lambda_3 \cdot E_{10}(\rho_3) \approx 0.002 \text{ jobs per time unit.}$$

$$\lambda_{b,4} = \lambda_4 \cdot E_5(\rho_4) \approx 0.174 \text{ jobs per time unit.}$$

$$\lambda_{b,tot} = \lambda_{b,3} + \lambda_{b,4} \approx 0.18 \text{ jobs per time unit.}$$

(c) Let  $T_{tot}$  = total average time in the network for a job.

Little's theorem gives  $T_{tot} = \bar{N}_{tot} / \lambda$  where  $\bar{N}_{tot} = \bar{N}_1 + \bar{N}_2 + \bar{N}_3 + \bar{N}_4 \approx 7.497$ , which means that  $T_{tot} \approx 0.75$  time units.

(d) A job that is not blocked chooses one of two paths:

A: System 1+2+3

B: System 1+2+4

Let  $T_i$  = average time in system  $i$ .

$$\text{Little's theorem gives } T_1 = \bar{N}_1 / \lambda_1 = 0.1 \text{ and } T_2 = \bar{N}_2 / \lambda = 0.167.$$

Systems 3 and 4 are loss systems, which means that

$$T_3 = 1 / \mu_3 \approx 0.333 \text{ and } T_4 = 1 / \mu_4 = 1$$

Let  $T_k$  = total time in the network for a job that chooses path  $k$  (and is not blocked).

$$T_A = T_1 + T_2 + T_3 \approx 0.600 \text{ time units, } T_B = T_1 + T_2 + T_4 \approx 1.27 \text{ time units}$$

Let  $\lambda_k$  = average rate of jobs that chooses path  $k$  (and is not blocked)

$$\lambda_A = \beta\lambda \cdot (1 - E_{10}(\rho_3)) \approx 7.5, \lambda_B = (1 - \beta)\lambda \cdot (1 - E_5(\rho_4)) \approx 2.33$$

$$P(\text{a job chooses path } k \text{ and is not blocked}) = \frac{\lambda_k}{\lambda_A + \lambda_B}$$

The theorem of total probability gives that

$$T = \frac{\lambda_A}{\lambda_A + \lambda_B} \cdot T_A + \frac{\lambda_B}{\lambda_A + \lambda_B} \cdot T_B \approx 0.76 \text{ time units.}$$

10. Missing in the book: Let  $\alpha=0.4$ ,  $\lambda_{in}=0.75$ ,  $\mu_1=1.5$ ,  $\mu_2=2$ , and  $\mu_3=3$ .

(a) The following equations can be derived from the figure:  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_{in} + \lambda_2$ ,  $\lambda_2 = \alpha\lambda_1$  and

$$\lambda_3 = (1 - \alpha) \cdot \lambda_1 = \lambda_{in}.$$

This means that  $\lambda_1 = 1.25$ ,  $\lambda_2 = 0.5$  and  $\lambda_3 = 0.75$ .

Also,  $\lambda_{block} = \lambda_3 \cdot E_2(\lambda_3/\mu_3) = 0.75 \cdot E_2(0, 25) \approx 0.018$  and

$$\lambda_{out} = \lambda_3 \cdot (1 - E_2(\lambda_3/\mu_3)) \approx 0.73$$

(b) Let  $\rho_i = \lambda_i/\mu_i$  and let  $\bar{N}_i$  = average number of jobs in system  $i$ .

$$\text{Then, } \bar{N}_1 = \frac{\rho_1}{1 - \rho_1} = 5, \bar{N}_2 = \frac{\rho_2}{1 - \rho_2} \approx 0.333 \text{ (M/M/1-systems)}$$

and  $\bar{N}_3 = \rho_3 \cdot (1 - E_2(\rho_3)) \approx 0.24$  (Carried load in an Erlang system)

This means that the average total number of jobs in the network,

$$\bar{N}_{tot} = \bar{N}_1 + \bar{N}_2 + \bar{N}_3 \approx 5.573.$$

(c) Let  $T$  = total average time in the network for a job that is not blocked

*Alternative 1:*

Let  $T_i$  = average time in system  $i$ .

Little's theorem gives that:  $T_1 = \frac{\bar{N}_1}{\lambda_1} = 4$ ,  $T_2 = \frac{\bar{N}_2}{\lambda_2} \approx 0.667$  and  $T_3 = \frac{1}{\mu_3} \approx 0.333$ .

A job that is not blocked is first served one or more times in systems 1 and 2. Assume that the job is served  $M$  times in system 2. Then, the job will be served once in system 3. If  $M=k$ , the total average time in the network will be:

$$E[T|M = k] = (k + 1)T_1 + kT_2 + T_3$$

Also,  $P(M = k) = \alpha^k(1 - \alpha)$ .

The theorem of total probability gives:

$$E[T] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} E[T|M = k] \cdot P(M = k) = T_1 + T_3 + \frac{\alpha}{1 - \alpha}(T_1 + T_2) \approx 7.4$$

*Alternative 2:*

$E[T] = T_{12} + T_3$  where  $T_{12}$  is the total average time a job spends in systems 1 and 2.

Let  $\bar{N}_{12} = \bar{N}_1 + \bar{N}_2 \approx 5.333$ . Little's theorem gives  $T_{12} = \frac{\bar{N}_{12}}{\lambda_{in}} \approx 7.111$ .

Also,  $T_3 = \frac{1}{\mu_3}$ . This means that  $E[T] = T_{12} + T_3 \approx 7.4$ .

11. In the exercises below  $\rho_k = \lambda_k / \mu_k$

(a) The following equations can be derived from the figure:

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_A = \lambda + \lambda_D \\ \lambda_D = \alpha \lambda_A \\ \lambda_B = (1 - \beta) \lambda \\ \lambda_C = (1 - \delta) \lambda_B \end{cases}$$

This means that  $\lambda_A = 50$ ,  $\lambda_B = 1$ ,  $\lambda_C = 0,3$  and  $\lambda_D = 40$ .

(b) System D is an M/M/∞-system.

Let  $\bar{N}_D$  = average number of customers in system D.

Alternative 1:

Since there is no queue,  $\bar{N}_D$  = average number of customers in the servers = Carried load in the system = Offered load, since there is no blocking.

This means that  $\bar{N}_D = \lambda_D \cdot \frac{1}{\mu_D} = 400$ .

Alternative 2:

Draw the state diagram and find  $p_k$ . Then,  $\bar{N}_D = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k \cdot p_k$ .

(c) Let  $x_{tot}$  = total average service time for a customer.

A customer is first served a number of times in system A.

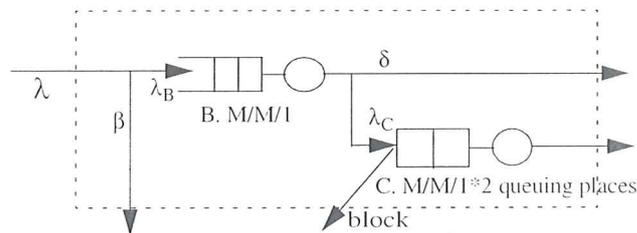
$P(k \text{ services in system A}) = \alpha^{k-1} (1 - \alpha)$

$E[\text{number of services in system A}] = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k \cdot \alpha^{k-1} (1 - \alpha) = \frac{1}{1 - \alpha}$

Let  $x_A$  = Total average service time in system A for a customer.

Then  $x_A = \frac{1}{1 - \alpha} \cdot \frac{1}{\mu_A} \approx 0,0833$  seconds.

The customer proceeds to systems B and C. Consider this as a separate network:



Apply Little's theorem on *all* customers, that is also those customers that chooses to leave the site before system B.

Let  $x_{BC}$  be the total average service time for a customer in this network.

Little's theorem gives that  $x_{BC} = \bar{N}_{s,BC} / \lambda$  where  $\bar{N}_{s,BC}$  is the total average number of customers in servers B and C. Also,  $\bar{N}_{s,BC} = \bar{N}_{s,B} + \bar{N}_{s,C}$  where  $\bar{N}_{s,k}$  is the average number of customers in server  $k$ .

$\bar{N}_{s,B} = \rho_B = 0,2$

System C is an M/M/1-system with 2 queueing places. Determine the stationary probability distribution from the state diagram.

$$\text{Result: } p_0 = \frac{1}{40}, p_1 = \frac{3}{40}, p_2 = \frac{9}{40} \text{ and } p_3 = \frac{27}{40}$$

$$\bar{N}_{s,C} = 0 \cdot p_0 + 1 \cdot (p_1 + p_2 + p_3) = 0.975$$

$$\text{This means that } x_{BC} = \frac{\bar{N}_{s,B} + \bar{N}_{s,C}}{\lambda} = 0.1175 \text{ seconds.}$$

The total average service time for a customer is  $x_{tot} = x_A + x_{BC} \approx 0.20$  seconds.

12.

$$(a) \begin{cases} \lambda_i = \frac{1}{M} \cdot \left( \lambda + \alpha \cdot \sum_{i=1}^M \lambda_i \right) \\ \sum_{i=1}^M \lambda_i (1 - \alpha) = \lambda \end{cases} \text{ which means that } \lambda_i = \frac{1}{M(1 - \alpha)} \cdot \lambda \text{ for } i=1..M$$

$$(b) \text{ Let } \rho_i = \frac{\lambda_i}{\mu} = \frac{\lambda}{\mu M(1 - \alpha)} \text{ for } i=1..M.$$

$$\text{The average number of jobs in system } i \text{ is } \bar{N}_i = \frac{\rho_i}{1 - \rho_i} = \frac{\lambda}{\mu M(1 - \alpha) - \lambda} \text{ for } i=1..M.$$

This means that the total average number of jobs in the network,

$$\bar{N}_{tot} = \sum_{i=1}^M \bar{N}_i = \frac{M\lambda}{\mu M(1 - \alpha) - \lambda}$$

Let  $T$  = total average time in the network for a job.

$$\text{Little's theorem gives that } T = \bar{N}_{tot} / \lambda \text{ which means that } T = \frac{M}{\mu M(1 - \alpha) - \lambda}.$$

(c) Assume that a job is served  $B$  times. Then,  $P(B = k) = \alpha^{k-1} \cdot (1 - \alpha)$ .  
None of these services can be in system 1.

$$P(\text{a job chooses not system 1}) = 1 - \frac{1}{M} = \frac{M-1}{M} \text{ which means that}$$

$$P(\text{a job is never served in system 1} | B = k) = \left( \frac{M-1}{M} \right)^k.$$

The theorem of total probability gives that  $P(\text{a job is never served in system 1}) =$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{M-1}{M} \right)^k \cdot \alpha^{k-1} \cdot (1 - \alpha) = \frac{(M-1)(1 - \alpha)}{M - \alpha(M-1)}$$