## **Project 5 – Multiprogrammed server**

A multiprogrammed server provides service to *N* concurrent clients that request the server to perform transactions. Transactions may involve local CPU processing, access to the local disk, and remote queries to a distant web server. More specifically, the following steps are performed:

- 1. A new transaction always requires some processing time as a first step;
- 2. Then:
  - a. with probability  $p_1$  the transaction is terminated;
  - b. with probability  $p_2$  an access to the local disk is required, and then a new CPU processing is required;
  - c. with probability  $1-p_1-p_2$  a remote query is required, and then a new CPU processing is required.
- 3. A <u>reply is sent</u> to the client that originated the request.
- 4. A user that receives a reply immediately issues another request.

The local CPU, the local disk and the remote web server handle one request at a time in a FIFO order. Local processing, local disk access and remote query service times are exponential IID RVs, and they are different from one iteration to another, even for the same transaction.

Evaluate at least the throughput of the system (i.e., the number of completed transactions per unit of time) under a varying level of multiprogramming. Simulate at least one scenario where the service demands at the three service centers have a considerably different mean (e.g., one order of magnitude).

In all cases, it is up to the team to calibrate the scenarios so that meaningful results are obtained.

Project deliverables:

- a) Documentation (according to the standards set during the lectures and up to 10 pages)
- b) Simulator code
- c) Presentation (up to 10 slides)

