

**Question 1**

We have the arrival rate  $\lambda_a = 10$  per hour.

We calculate the service rate  $\lambda_s$  from the average service time  $E(T_s) = 4$  minutes  $= \frac{4}{60} = \frac{1}{15}$  hours.

Since the service time has an exponential distribution we know  $E(T_s) = \frac{1}{\lambda_s}$ . Manipulating this formula gives  $\lambda_s = \frac{1}{E(T_s)} = \frac{1}{1/15} = 15$  per hour.

- a) The result of the  $M/M/1$  assumptions (i.e., Poisson arrivals with exponential service times) is that  $T$ , the total time in the system, has an exponential distribution with parameter  $\lambda = \lambda_s - \lambda_a = 15 - 10 = 5$ , i.e.,

$$T \sim \text{Exponential}(\lambda = 5).$$

- b)  $E(T) = \frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{5} = 0.2$  hours. (i.e., 12 minutes)

$$Sd(T) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\lambda^2}} = \frac{1}{\lambda} = 0.2 \text{ hours.}$$

- c)  $\Pr(N) = \lambda_a E(T) = 10(0.2) = 2$  jobs in the system.

- d) This relates to the total time in the system,  $T \sim \text{Exponential}(\lambda = 5)$ .  
(note: 15 minutes  $= \frac{15}{60} = 0.25$  hours)

$$\Pr(T > 0.25) = e^{-5(0.25)} = 0.2865.$$

- e) This relates to the service time,  $T_s \sim \text{Exponential}(\lambda_s = 15)$ .

$$\Pr(T_s > 0.25) = e^{-15(0.25)} = 0.0235.$$

- f) Burke's theorem says departures (i.e., completed jobs) have the same Poisson distribution as arrivals. Thus, the departure rate is  $\lambda_d = \lambda_a = 10$  per hour.

For a 3 hour period,  $\lambda_d = 10(3) = 30$ .

$\Rightarrow X_d \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda_d = 30)$  and the average number of departures is  $E(X_d) = \lambda_d = 30$ .

- g) Since  $X_d \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda_d = 30)$

$$\Pr(X_d > 40) = \Pr(X_d \geq 41) = 0.0323.$$

(Poisson tables: column  $m = 30$ , row  $r = 41$ )

**Question 2**

We have  $\lambda_a = 3$  per minute and  $\lambda_s = 4$  per minute. Thus, the total time in the system is  $T \sim \text{Exponential}(\lambda = 4 - 3 = 1)$

- a)  $E(T) = \frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{1} = 1$  minute.

- b) Let  $T_q$  represent the time spent in the queue component. Clearly the time in the queue is the total time minus the time spent being served.

Since  $E(T) = 1$  and  $E(T_s) = \frac{1}{\lambda_s} = \frac{1}{4} = 0.25$ :

$$\begin{aligned} E(T_q) &= E(T) - E(T_s) \\ &= 1 - 0.25 \\ &= 0.75 \text{ minutes.} \end{aligned}$$

- c)  $E(N) = \lambda_a E(T) = 3(1) = 3$  individuals in the system.

- d)  $E(N_q) = \lambda_a E(T_q) = 3(0.75) = 2.25$  individuals in the queue.

- e)  $\rho = \frac{\lambda_a}{\lambda_s} = \frac{3}{4} = 0.75.$

This means that the service component is working 75% of the time, i.e., it is idle 25% of the time.

- f) Total time  $T \sim \text{Exponential}(\lambda = 1)$ .

$$\Pr(T > 2) = e^{-1(2)} = 0.1353.$$

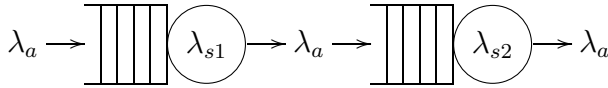
- g) Burke's theorem:  $X_d \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda_d = 3)$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(X_d < 3) &= \Pr(X_d \leq 2) \\ &= p(0) + p(1) + p(2) \\ &= \frac{3^0}{0!}e^{-3} + \frac{3^1}{1!}e^{-3} + \frac{3^2}{2!}e^{-3} \\ &= 0.0498 + 0.1494 + 0.2240 \\ &= 0.4232. \end{aligned}$$

We could also do this using tables  $m = 3$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(X_d < 3) &= 1 - \Pr(X_d \geq 3) \\ &= 1 - 0.5768 \\ &= 0.4232. \end{aligned}$$

### Question 3



- $\lambda_a = 12$  per hour.
- $\lambda_{s1} = \frac{1}{E(T_{s1})} = \frac{1}{3}$  per minute  
 $\Rightarrow \lambda_{s1} = \frac{1}{3}(60) = 20$  per hour.
- $\lambda_{s2} = \frac{1}{E(T_{s2})} = \frac{1}{1} = 1$  per minute  
 $\Rightarrow \lambda_{s2} = 1(60) = 60$  per hour.

- a) The time spent in the deli system is  
 $T_1 \sim \text{Exponential}(\lambda_1 = \lambda_{s1} - \lambda_a = 8)$

$$\Rightarrow E(T_1) = \frac{1}{8} \text{ hours. (i.e., 7.5 minutes)}$$

The time spent in the paying system is  
 $T_2 \sim \text{Exponential}(\lambda_2 = \lambda_{s2} - \lambda_a = 48)$

$$\Rightarrow E(T_2) = \frac{1}{48} \text{ hours. (i.e., 1.25 minutes)}$$

- b) The total time in the system is

$$\begin{aligned} E(T) &= E(T_1) + E(T_2) \\ &= \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{48} \\ &= \frac{7}{48} \text{ hours. (i.e., 8.75 minutes)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{c) } E(N) = \lambda_a E(T) = 12 \left( \frac{7}{48} \right) = 1.75 \text{ customers.}$$

$$\text{d) } \rho_1 = \frac{\lambda_a}{\lambda_{s1}} = \frac{12}{20} = 0.6.$$

$$\rho_2 = \frac{\lambda_a}{\lambda_{s2}} = \frac{12}{60} = 0.2.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{e) } E(T_q) &= E(T) - [E(T_{s1}) + E(T_{s2})] \\ &= E(T) - \left[ \frac{1}{\lambda_{s1}} + \frac{1}{\lambda_{s2}} \right] \\ &= \frac{7}{48} - \left( \frac{1}{20} + \frac{1}{60} \right) \\ &= \frac{7}{48} - \frac{1}{15} \\ &= \frac{19}{240} \\ &\approx 0.07917 \text{ hours.} \\ &\text{(i.e., 4.75 minutes)} \end{aligned}$$

- f) Burke's theorem:  $X_d \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda_d = 12)$ .

$$\Pr(X_d \geq 20) = 0.0213.$$

(Poisson tables: column  $m = 12$ , row  $r = 20$ )

### Question 4

Note that:

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{0.25} = 4 \text{ and } \lambda_2 = \frac{1}{0.5} = 2.$$

$$\Pr(R_1) = 0.8 \quad \Pr(T > t \mid R_1) = e^{-4t}$$

$$\Pr(R_2) = 0.2 \quad \Pr(T > t \mid R_2) = e^{-2t}$$

$$\text{a) } \Pr(T > 0.5 \mid R_1) = e^{-4(0.5)} = 0.1353.$$

$$\Pr(T > 0.5 \mid R_2) = e^{-2(0.5)} = 0.3679.$$

- b) First calculate

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(T > 0.5 \cap R_1) &= \Pr(R_1) \Pr(T > 0.5 \mid R_1) \\ &= 0.8(0.1353) = 0.1082. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(T > 0.5 \cap R_2) &= \Pr(R_2) \Pr(T > 0.5 \mid R_2) \\ &= 0.2(0.3679) = 0.0736. \end{aligned}$$

Using the law of total probability:

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(T > 0.5) &= \Pr(T > 0.5 \cap R_1) \\ &\quad + \Pr(T > 0.5 \cap R_2) \\ &= 0.1082 + 0.0736 \\ &= 0.1818. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{c) } \Pr(R_1 \mid T > 0.5) &= \frac{\Pr(R_1 \cap T > 0.5)}{\Pr(T > 0.5)} \\ &= \frac{0.1082}{0.1818} \\ &= 0.5952. \end{aligned}$$

**Question 4 continued**

- d) In parts (a) - (c) we consider the specific case  $T > 0.5$ . Here we work with  $T > t$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr(T > t) &= \Pr(T > t \cap R_1) \\ &\quad + \Pr(T > t \cap R_2) \\ &= \Pr(R_1) \Pr(T > t | R_1) \\ &\quad + \Pr(R_2) \Pr(T > t | R_2) \\ &= 0.8 e^{-4t} + 0.2 e^{-2t}.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \Pr(R_1 | T > t) &= \frac{\Pr(R_1 \cap T > t)}{\Pr(T > t)} \\ &= \frac{0.8 e^{-4t}}{0.8 e^{-4t} + 0.2 e^{-2t}}.\end{aligned}$$

Now we have a general formula for  $\Pr(R_1 | T > t)$  that we can evaluate at any  $t$  value.

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr(R_1 | T > 0.25) &= \frac{0.8 e^{-4(0.25)}}{0.8 e^{-4(0.25)} + 0.2 e^{-2(0.25)}} \\ &= 0.7081\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr(R_1 | T > 1) &= \frac{0.8 e^{-4(1)}}{0.8 e^{-4(1)} + 0.2 e^{-2(1)}} \\ &= 0.3512\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr(R_1 | T > 2) &= \frac{0.8 e^{-4(2)}}{0.8 e^{-4(2)} + 0.2 e^{-2(2)}} \\ &= 0.06826\end{aligned}$$

The longer the journey has taken you, the less likely it is that you used  $R_1$ .

**Question 5**

Here  $X \sim \text{Normal}(\mu = 10, \sigma = 2)$  so we use

$$Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} = \frac{X - 10}{2}$$

to convert to a z score (for the tables).

$$\begin{aligned}\text{a) } \Pr(X > 10) &= \Pr(Z > \frac{10-10}{2}) = \Pr(Z > 0) \\ &= 0.5.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{b) } \Pr(X < 3) &= \Pr(Z < \frac{3-10}{2}) = \Pr(Z < -3.5) \\ &= \Pr(Z > 3.5) \\ &= 0.00023.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{c) } \Pr(X > 8.4) &= \Pr(Z > \frac{8.4-10}{2}) \\ &= \Pr(Z > -0.8) \\ &= \Pr(Z < 0.8) \\ &= 1 - \Pr(Z > 0.8) \\ &= 1 - 0.2119 = 0.7881.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{d) } \Pr(6 < X < 14) &= \Pr(X > 6) - \Pr(X > 14) \\ &= \Pr(Z > \frac{6-10}{2}) - \Pr(Z > \frac{14-10}{2}) \\ &= \Pr(Z > -2) - \Pr(Z > 2) \\ &= \Pr(Z < 2) - \Pr(Z > 2) \\ &= 1 - \Pr(Z > 2) - \Pr(Z > 2) \\ &= 1 - 2 \Pr(Z > 2) \\ &= 1 - 2(0.02275) = 0.9545.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{e) } \Pr(X > x) &= 0.3 \\ \Pr(Z > \frac{x-10}{2}) &= 0.3\end{aligned}$$

From tables:  $\Pr(Z > 0.52) = 0.3015 \approx 0.3$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \frac{x-10}{2} &= 0.52 \\ x-10 &= 0.52(2) \\ x &= 10 + 0.52(2) \\ x &= 11.04.\end{aligned}$$

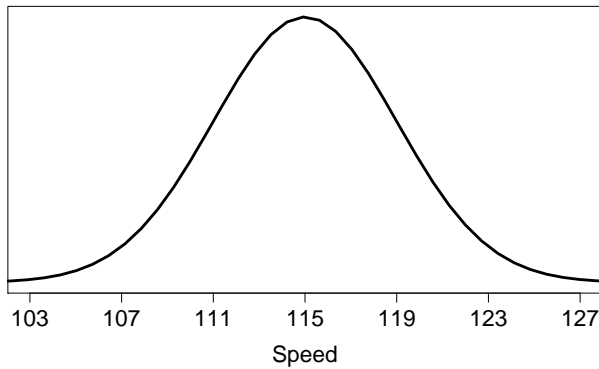
$$\begin{aligned}\text{f) } \Pr(X > x) &= 0.8 \\ \Pr(Z > \frac{x-10}{2}) &= 0.8 \\ \Pr(Z < \frac{x-10}{2}) &= 0.2 \\ \Pr(Z > -\frac{x-10}{2}) &= 0.2\end{aligned}$$

From tables:  $\Pr(Z > 0.84) = 0.2005 \approx 0.2$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow -\frac{x-10}{2} &= 0.84 \\ \frac{x-10}{2} &= -0.84 \\ x-10 &= -0.84(2) \\ x &= 10 - 0.84(2) \\ x &= 8.32.\end{aligned}$$

## Question 6

a)



$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } \Pr(X > 120) &= \Pr\left(Z > \frac{120-115}{4}\right) = \Pr(Z > 1.25) \\ &= 0.1056 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{c) } \Pr(X < 100) &= \Pr\left(Z < \frac{100-115}{4}\right) = \Pr(Z < -3.75) \\ &= \Pr(Z > 3.75) \\ &= 0.000088. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{d) } \Pr(100 < X < 110) &= \Pr(X > 100) - \Pr(X > 110) \\ &= \Pr\left(Z > \frac{100-115}{4}\right) - \Pr\left(Z > \frac{110-115}{4}\right) \\ &= \Pr(Z > -3.75) - \Pr(Z > -1.25) \\ &= \Pr(Z < 3.75) - \Pr(Z < 1.25) \\ &= (1 - 0.000088) - (1 - 0.1056) \\ &= 0.999912 - 0.8944 \\ &= 0.1055. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{e) } \Pr(X > x) &= 0.01 \\ \Pr\left(Z > \frac{x-115}{4}\right) &= 0.01 \\ \text{From tables: } \Pr(Z > 2.33) &= 0.0099 \approx 0.1 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{x-115}{4} &= 2.33 \\ \frac{x-115}{4} &= 2.33 \\ x-115 &= 2.33(4) \\ x &= 115 + 2.33(4) \\ x &= 124.32. \end{aligned}$$

## Question 7

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } \Pr(\mu - 3\sigma < X < \mu + 3\sigma) &= \Pr(X > \mu - 3\sigma) - \Pr(X > \mu + 3\sigma) \\ &= \Pr\left(Z > \frac{\mu-3\sigma-\mu}{\sigma}\right) - \Pr\left(Z > \frac{\mu+3\sigma-\mu}{\sigma}\right) \\ &= \Pr(Z > -3) - \Pr(Z > 3) \\ &= \Pr(Z < 3) - \Pr(Z > 3) \\ &= 1 - \Pr(Z > 3) - \Pr(Z > 3) \\ &= 1 - 2 \Pr(Z > 3) \\ &= 1 - 2(0.00135) \\ &= 0.9973. \end{aligned}$$

b) Note that the workings are the same as in part (a) above except that we have  $k$  instead of 3.

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(\mu - k\sigma < X < \mu + k\sigma) &= 0.95 \\ &\vdots \\ \Rightarrow 1 - 2 \Pr(Z > k) &= 0.95 \\ -2 \Pr(Z > k) &= -1 + 0.95 \\ 2 \Pr(Z > k) &= 1 - 0.95 \\ \Pr(Z > k) &= \frac{1 - 0.95}{2} \\ \Pr(Z > k) &= 0.025 \\ \Rightarrow k &= 1.96. \end{aligned}$$

c) This is the same as part (b) except we have 0.99 rather than 0.95.

$$\begin{aligned} &\vdots \\ \Rightarrow \Pr(Z > k) &= \frac{1 - 0.99}{2} = 0.005 \\ \Rightarrow k &= 2.58. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{d) } \Pr(X > \mu + 1.64\sigma) &= \Pr\left(Z > \frac{\mu+1.64\sigma-\mu}{\sigma}\right) \\ &= \Pr(Z > 1.64) \\ &= 0.0495 \approx 0.05. \end{aligned}$$