

Chapter 5.5

Model with Batch Service and Threshold Control

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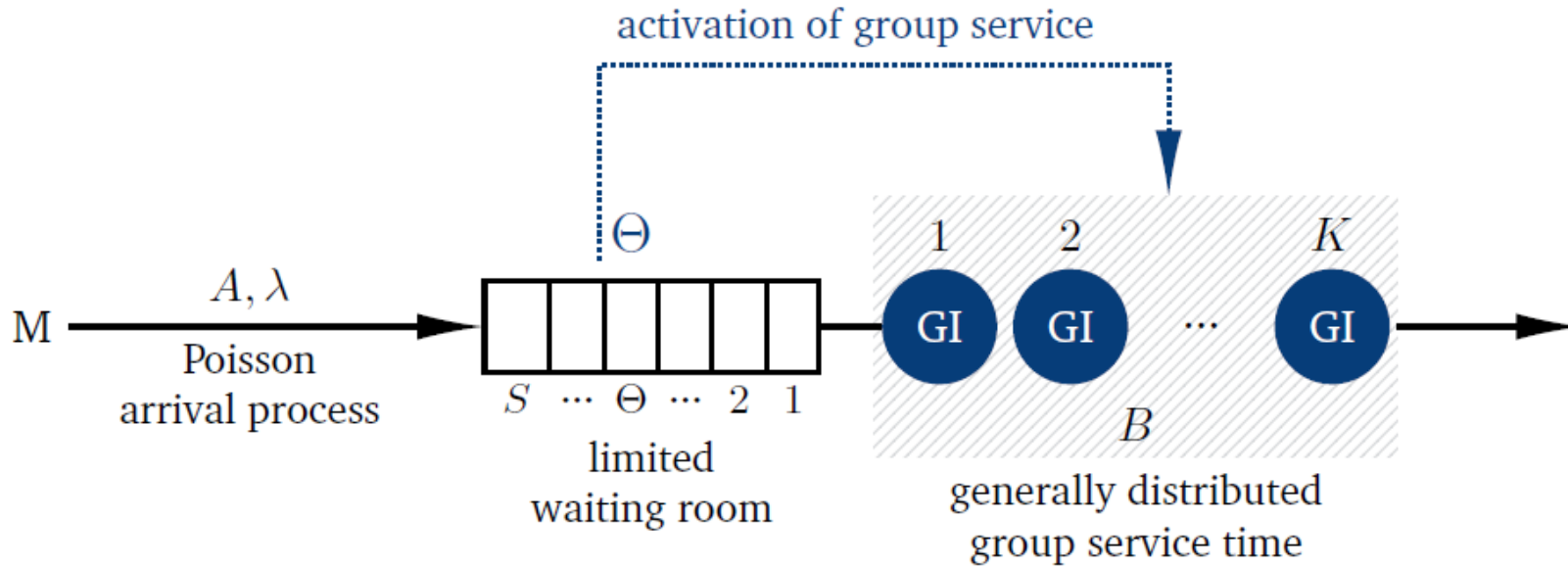
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Model with Batch Service and Threshold Control

$M/GI^{[\Theta, K]}/1-S$

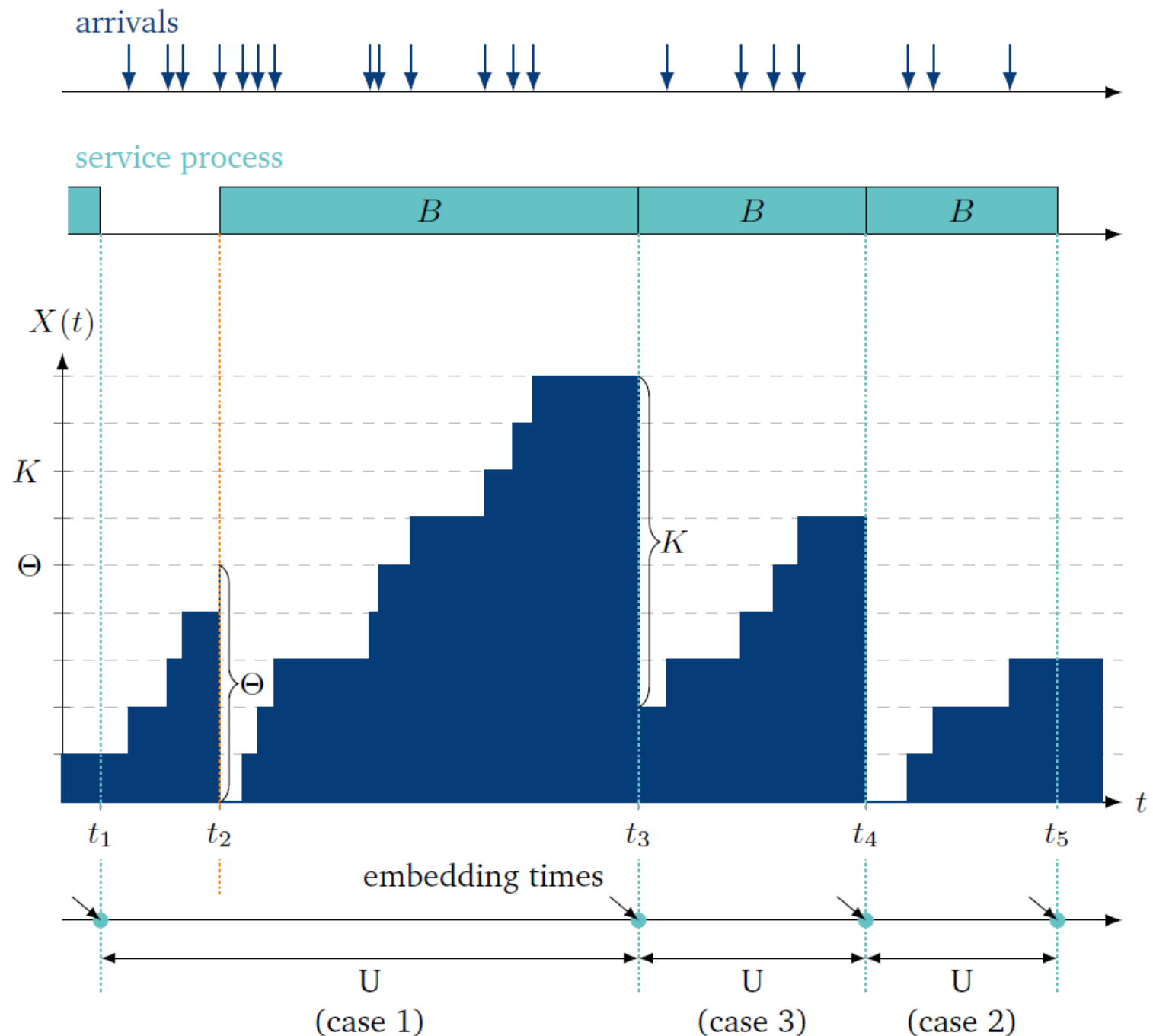


- ▶ Poisson arrival process with arrival rate λ
- ▶ Limited waiting room with S waiting places
- ▶ **Group service unit** with K service places and generally distributed service time B
- ▶ **Starting threshold** Θ with the following **trigger mechanism** at the end of an operation
 - server is loaded and started immediately if at least Θ customers are waiting to be processed
 - If there are fewer than Θ customers in the queue, the system waits until the starting threshold Θ is reached, before the next operation begins.

$$A(t) = P(A \leq t) = 1 - e^{-\lambda t}, \quad E[A] = \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

State Process

- ▶ R.V $X(t)$ is the number of **customers in the queue** of the $M/GI^{[\Theta, K]}/1-S$ queue
- ▶ System state is $X(t)$
- ▶ Note: $X(t)$ is not reflecting the total number of customers in the system

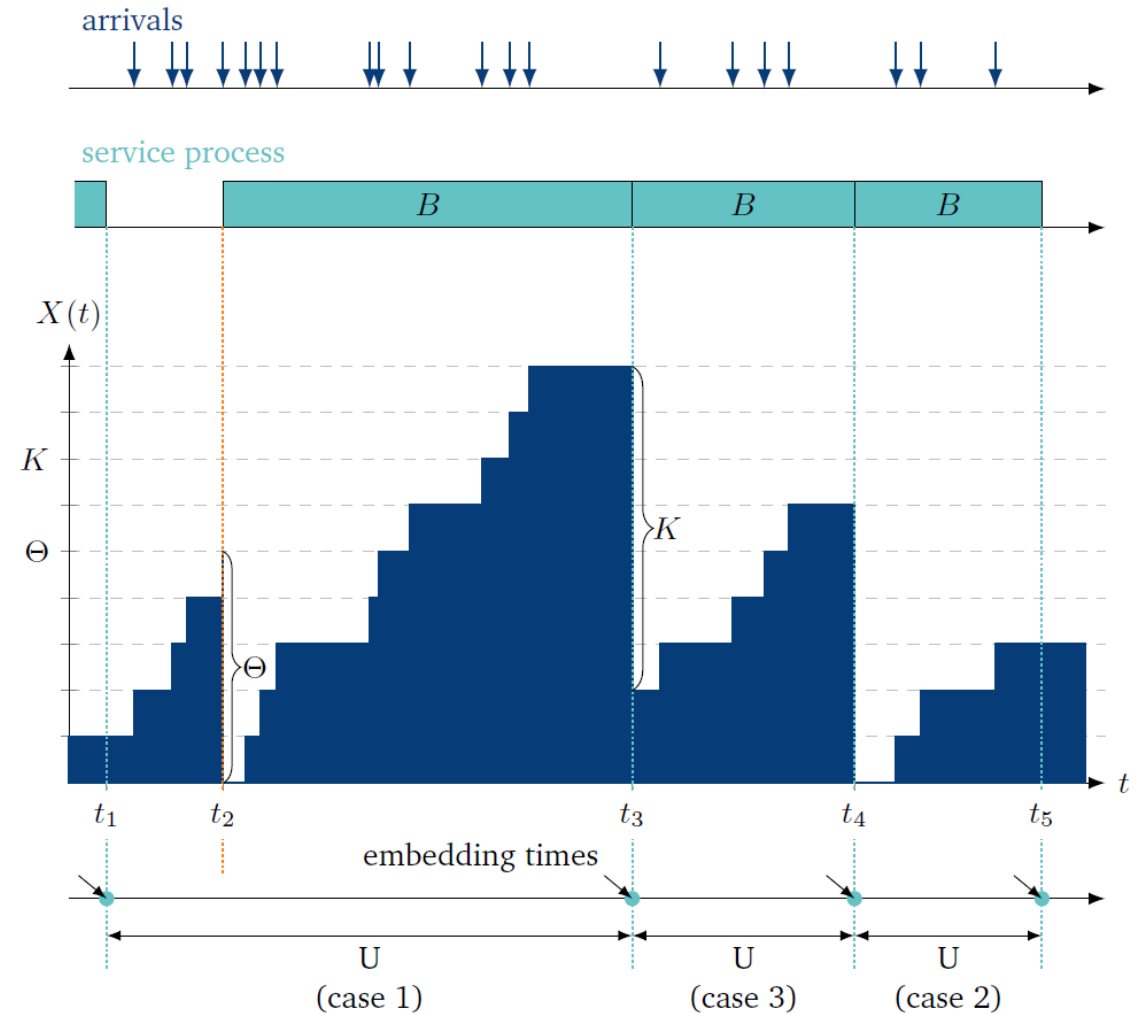


Different Cases in the State Process

- ▶ Case 1 (time t_1): $i < \Theta$
 - minimum number of customers to start the server is not yet reached
 - further $\Theta - i$ customers still have to arrive before service starts

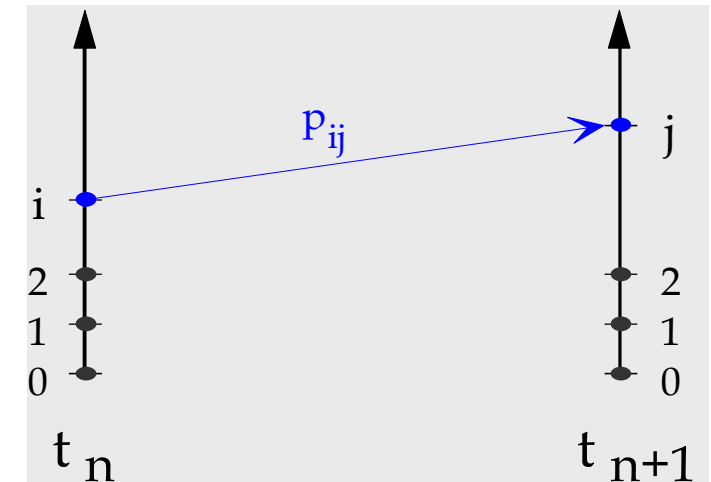
- ▶ Case 2 (time t_4): $\Theta \leq i \leq K$
 - more than Θ customers in the queue
 - new service period will be started in which all i customers are served (group service)

- ▶ Case 3 (time t_4): $K < i \leq S$
 - immediately after service end, the next K requests from queue are served
 - remaining customers will stay in the queue



Markov Chain and State Transition

- ▶ Embedded Markov Chain
 - service time is the only non-Markovian model component
 - embedding point **immediately before service ends** (deliberately chosen here due to purposeful analysis)
- ▶ Note that we chose regeneration points instants immediately after service ends for M/GI/1 delay system



- ▶ System state $X(t_n)$ at embedding time t_n immediately before service end
- ▶ State probability $x(j, n) = P(X(t_n) = j)$ at embedding time t_n
- ▶ Transition probability

$$p_{ij} = P(X(t_{n+1}) = j | X(t_n) = i)$$

State Transition Probabilities

- ▶ Random variable Γ is the number of customers arriving during service time B

- ▶ Case 1 (time t_1): $i < \Theta$

$$p_{ij} = \gamma(j), \quad j = 0, \dots, S-1,$$

$$p_{iS} = \sum_{k=S}^{\infty} \gamma(k), \quad j = S.$$

- ▶ Case 2 (time t_4): $\Theta \leq i \leq K$

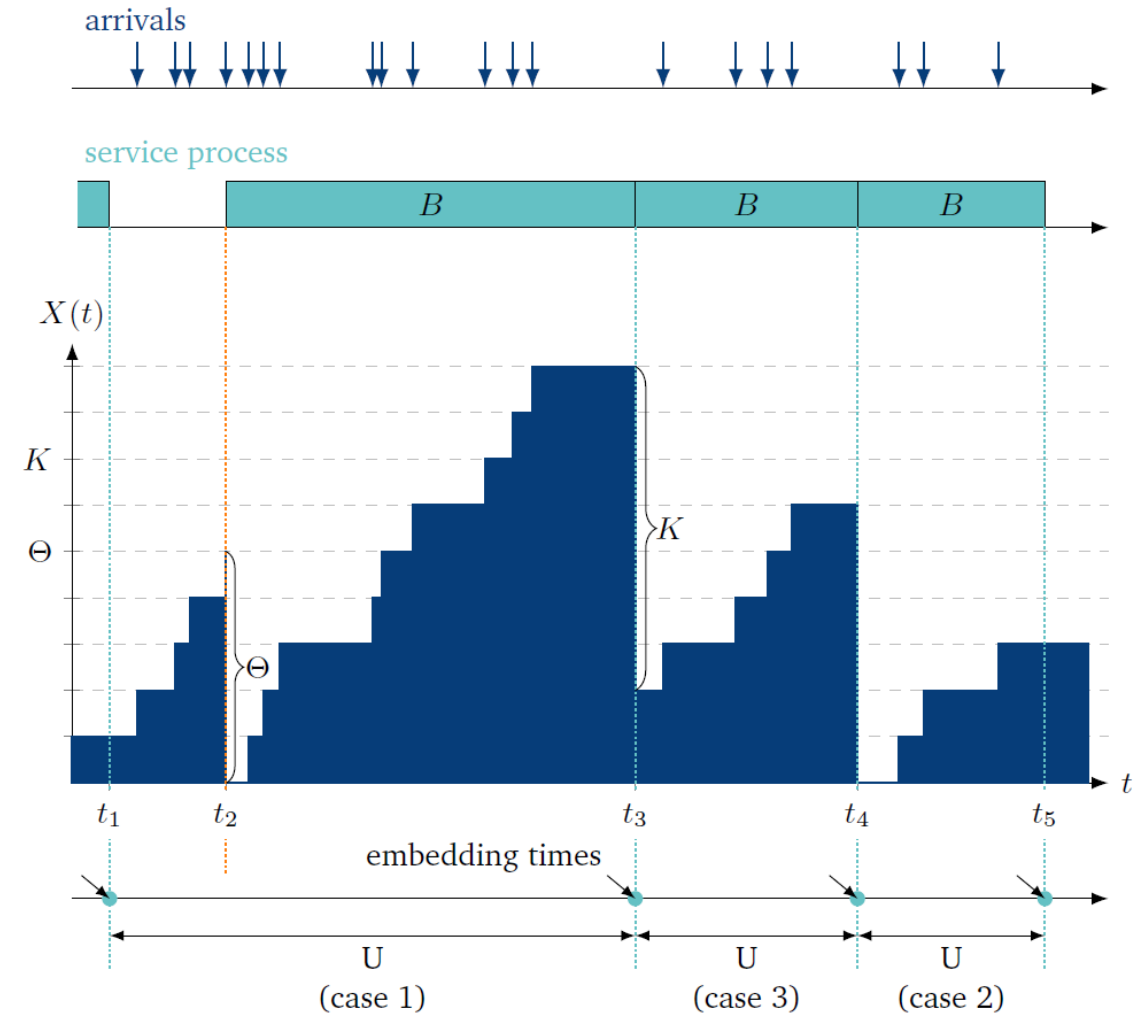
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State Transition Matrix

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$$\mathcal{P} = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & \dots & S-1 & S \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ \Theta-1 \\ \Theta \\ \vdots \\ K-1 \\ K \\ \vdots \\ S \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} \gamma(0) & \gamma(1) & \gamma(2) & \dots & \gamma(S-1) & \sum_{k=S}^{\infty} \gamma(k) \\ \gamma(0) & \gamma(1) & \gamma(2) & \dots & \gamma(S-1) & \sum_{k=S}^{\infty} \gamma(k) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \gamma(0) & \gamma(1) & \gamma(2) & \dots & \gamma(S-1) & \sum_{k=S}^{\infty} \gamma(k) \\ 0 & \gamma(0) & \gamma(1) & \dots & \gamma(S-2) & \sum_{k=S-1}^{\infty} \gamma(k) \\ 0 & 0 & \gamma(0) & \dots & \gamma(S-3) & \sum_{k=S-2}^{\infty} \gamma(k) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \gamma(K-1) & \sum_{k=K}^{\infty} \gamma(k) \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

State Probabilities and System Characteristics

- ▶ At each embedding time t_n , state probability vector

$$\mathbf{X}_n = (x(0, n), x(1, n), \dots) ,$$

$$x(i, n) = P(X(t_n) = i) .$$

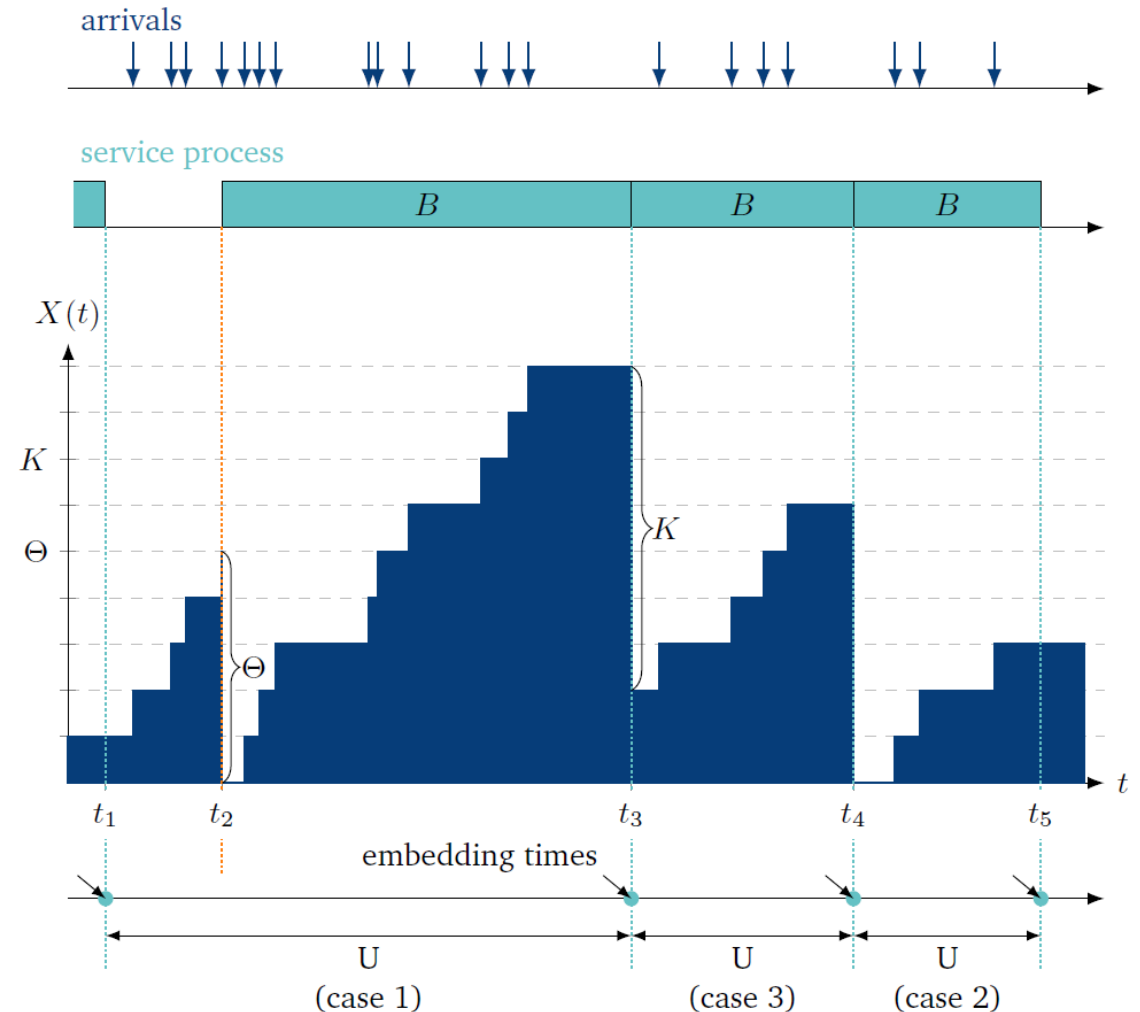
- ▶ Non-stationary analysis

$$\mathbf{X}_{n+1} = \mathbf{X}_n \cdot \mathcal{P}$$

- ▶ Steady state for $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$\mathbf{X}_{n+1} = \mathbf{X}_n = \mathbf{X} , \quad \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{X} \cdot \mathcal{P} .$$

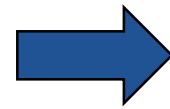
- ▶ Numerical Solution:
left eigenvector of transition matrix \mathbf{P}
or using power method



State Probabilities at Arbitrary Observation Times

- ▶ State probability vector at arbitrary times $\mathbf{X}^* = (x^*(0), x^*(1), \dots, x^*(S))$
- ▶ Define r.v. $X_y^*(i) = P(X^* = i, Y = y)$
 - with X^* the number of customers in queue at an arbitrary time
 - while Y indicates if the service is active and serving a batch ($Y = 1$) or idle ($Y = 0$)
- ▶ Relation to state probabilities at embedding times is

$$x_0^*(i) = \frac{\sum_{j=0}^i x(j)}{\lambda E[B] + \sum_{k=0}^i (\Theta - i)x(k)}, \quad 0 \leq i \leq \Theta - 1$$



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$$x_1^*(S) = 1 - \sum_{i=0}^{\Theta-1} x_0^*(i) - \sum_{i=0}^{S-1} x_1^*(i)$$

$$x^*(i) = x_0^*(i) + x_1^*(i).$$

blocking probability $p_B = x^*(S)$

mean waiting time $E[W] = \frac{E[X^*]}{\lambda(1 - p_B)}$

$$E[X^*] = \sum_{k=0}^S k \cdot x^*(k)$$

Numerical Results

- ▶ At lower traffic intensity ρ the waiting time is long, since the system has to wait for at least Θ customers to arrive before a service period can start
- ▶ At higher traffic intensity, the mean waiting time depends rather more on the type of service (c_B)
- ▶ Optimum parameter Θ depends strongly on system parameters (c_B, ρ)
- ▶ Thus, each system should be configured individually

