

# CS4226 Midterm cheatsheet

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## Network Performance

Little's Law:

$$L = \lambda * W,$$

where

L = average # of customers/packets in the system

$\lambda$  = Arrival rate

W = Average sojourn time (time spent in the queue)

## Network Queueing

Exponential distribution:

### Exponential Distribution ~~\*\*\*~~ Poisson

□ A continuous r.v.  $T$  follows/has an exponential distribution with parameter  $\lambda > 0$ , if, for  $x \geq 0$

$$F(x) = P\{T \leq x\} = 1 - e^{-\lambda x} \text{ or } \bar{F}(x) = P\{T > x\} = e^{-\lambda x}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{dF(x)}{dx} = \lambda e^{-\lambda x} \quad \text{complementary Cdf}$$

$$E[T] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx = \frac{1}{\lambda} \quad (\text{Average})$$

□ What is the unit and physical meaning of  $\lambda$ ?

✦ Why is exponential a good distribution?   
 frequency, Hz   
 how fast packets come into system

✦ Memoryless property:  $P\{T > s + t \mid T > s\} = P\{T > t\}$

Conditional probability   
 Rate of arrival

-> Memoryless property (Future only depends on current state, and does not take into account the state of the past)

-> Model the arrival of packets as a poisson process (exponentially distributed as  $T$  with rate  $\lambda$ )

M/M/1 model:

### M/M/1 Model (Markovian)



□ Single server with a queue of infinite size

□ Poisson arrival with rate  $\lambda$

□ Exponential i.i.d. service time with rate  $\mu$

□ Arrival and service times are independent

□ First-In-First-Out (FIFO) service discipline

Utilization,  $\rho = \lambda / \mu$    
 no priority

-> System stability:  $\lambda < \mu$

-> percentage of time that the "server" is busy, or

-> probability a random observation finds server busy

Probability that random obsv finds i packets in system

### Main Result (without proof)

□ Denote  $\pi_i$  as

✦ Percentage of time that exactly  $i$  packets or customers in the system, i.e., server + queue

✦ Also the probability  $P\{L = i\}$  that a random observation finds  $i$  packets in the system

✦ For M/M/1 system, we have   
  $\pi_i = P\{L = i\} = \rho^i (1 - \rho)$    
 Geometric distribution   
 L: DRV

□ As a sanity check

✦ what is the value for  $\pi_0$ ?  $(1 - \rho)$    
  $\because \rho$ : probability that server is busy

✦ what is the sum of all the  $\pi_i$ s?   
  $\therefore$  follows a geometric distribution

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-> Geometric Distribution also has memoryless property like exponential

Relevant formulae:

Sum of finite geometric sequence:

$$S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i r^{i-1} = a_1 \left( \frac{1 - r^n}{1 - r} \right)$$

Sum of infinite geometric series:

$$S = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i r^i = \frac{a_1}{1 - r}$$

[note: if  $|r| \geq 1$ , the infinite series does not have a sum]

Focusing on M/M/1 System (Server + Q)

✦ Average # of packets in the system

$$E[L] = \frac{\rho}{1 - \rho} \quad \rho = \frac{\lambda}{\mu} = \text{utilization} \quad (\text{0} \leq \rho < 1)$$

✦ Average sojourn time of packets

$$E[W] = \frac{1}{\mu - \lambda} \quad E[W] = \lambda E[W] \quad \text{by Little's Law}$$

Focus on the queue  $= \frac{\rho}{1 - \rho}$

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Focusing on the M/M/1 Queue only

✦ Average # of packets in the queue  $E[Q] = \frac{\rho^2}{1 - \rho}$

✦ Avg. queueing delay of packets  $E[D] = E[W] - \frac{1}{\mu}$

-> For M/M/1 model,  $\exists$  positive relationship between throughput and queueing delay.

Assumption: M/M/1 model models a fixed sending rate (Like UDP)

-> Throughput of stable M/M/1 system:  $\lambda$

**Burke's Theorem for Stable state M/M/1:**

-> departure process is Poisson with rate  $\lambda$

-> Effectively: **Arrival rate = Departure rate**

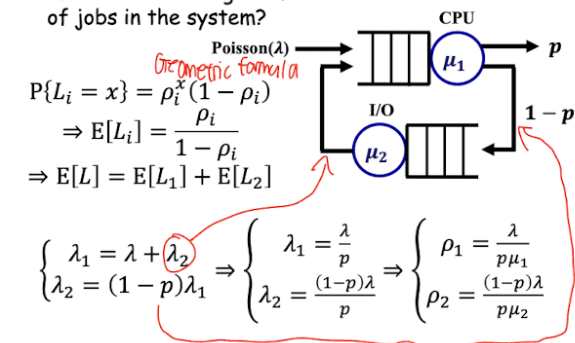
### Solving Jackson Network

-> Calculate effective arrival rate for subsystem: Outside arrival rate + Feedback arrival rate.

-> Obtain a system of linear equations and resolve

### A simple web server example

□ What is the average number of jobs in the system? *ECL*

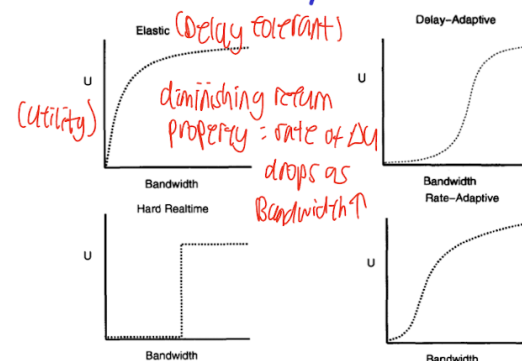


### Network Resource Allocation

#### **Effective Bandwidth**

-> More capacity of link relates to accommodating higher throughput and provides lower delay

#### *Monotonically increasing Property* **How Does Utility Look Like?**



**Bottleneck resource** here means that  $X(i)/\phi(i)$  is maximal,  $\phi(i)$  here being the absolute value in the weighted vector, and the resource  $r$  is saturated.

**Theorem:** When each flow has an infinity demand under a network system, a flow allocation is max-min fair if and only if every flow has a bottleneck resource.

#### **Max-min fair allocation**

-> Use **water filling algorithm**, start from small values and work way up

-> Idea is users of small demand get all they want, users of large demand evenly split the rest, until capacity of link.

-> **Bottleneck resource:** Resource is saturated, flow  $i$  has the maximum rate among all flows using resource  $r$ .

- flow cannot get more resource if allocation is fair; otherwise, it hurts flows with lower rates

#### **Weighted Max-min fair allocation**

-> Use local view method with constraints. Then use the smallest value in all local views and start from there until a link is saturated.

-> If demand is satisfied for a resource, split the remaining in accordance with ratio given