# Markovské řetězce se spojitým parametrem II

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## **Continuous-time Markov Chains II**

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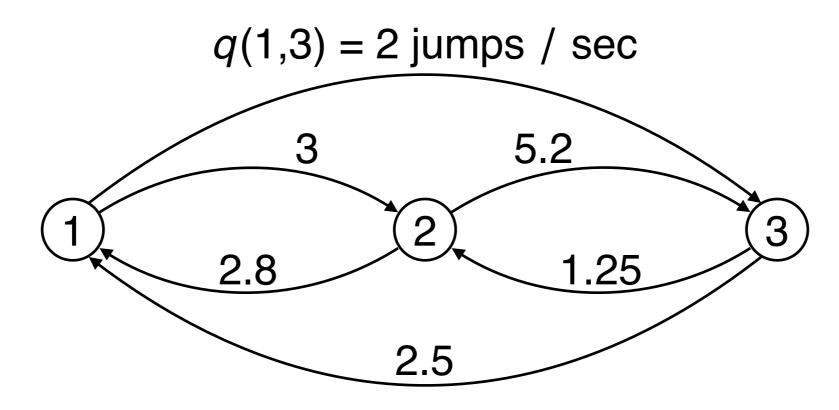
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## Review



$$\lambda_1 = 2 + 3 = 5$$
 jumps away from ① / second

$$r(1,2) = q(1,2)/\lambda_1 = 3/5 = P(Y_{n+1} = 2 | Y_n = 1)$$

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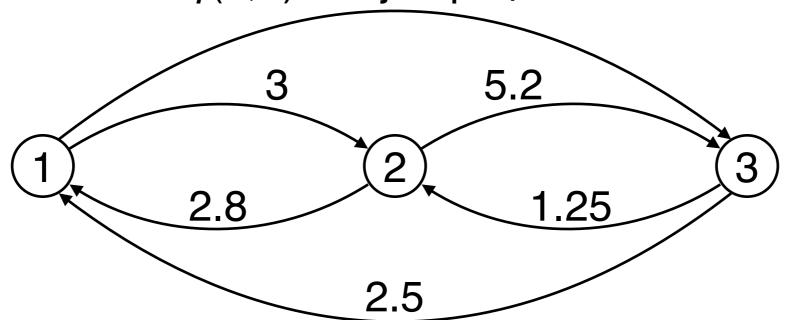
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$$\lambda_3 = 1.25 + 2.5 = 3.75$$

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q(1,3) = 2 jumps / sec



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 $\lambda_{\text{max}} = \text{max}\{5, 8, 3.75\} = 8 \text{ jumps / sec (on average, random times)}$ 

$$u(1,2) = q(1,2)/\lambda_{\text{max}} = 3/8 = P(Y_{n+1} = 2 | Y_n = 1)$$

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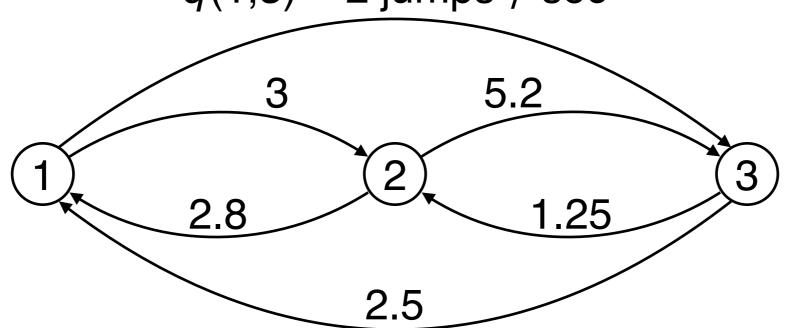
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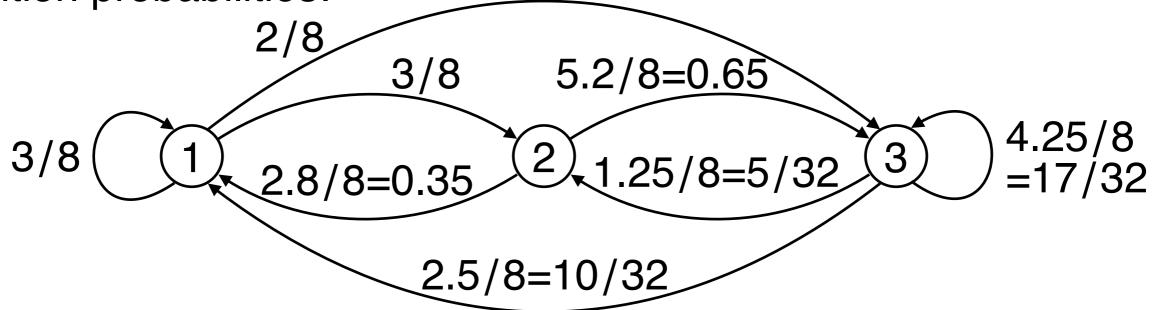
$$u(3,3) = 1-3.75/8 = 4.25/8$$

q(1,3) = 2 jumps / sec

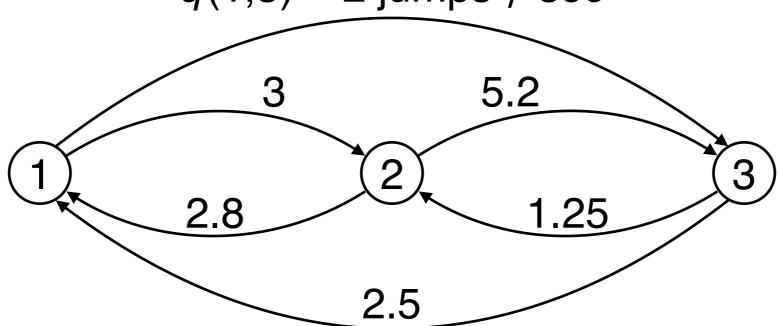


Poisson process:  $\lambda_{max} = \lambda_2 = 8$  jumps/sec (on average, random times)

Transition probabilities:

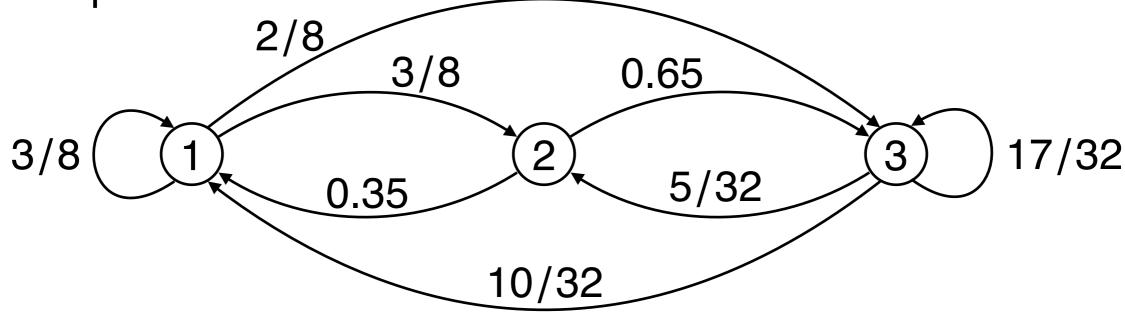


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# Stationarity and Limiting Behavior

# **Limiting Behavior**

#### Theorem

If a continuous-time Markov Chain  $X_t$  is irreducible and has a stationary distribution  $\pi$ , then

$$\lim_{t\to\infty} p_t(i,j) = \pi(j)$$

For discrete-time MC  $\pi$  is a stationary distribution if

$$\pi P = \pi$$

(**P** is the transition matrix)

For continuous-time there is no "first transition". We need  $\pi p_t = \pi$  for all t > 0 (stronger condition)

Irreducible:  $\exists$  finite path between all states with q(x,y) > 0

# **Stationary Distribution**

#### **Definition**

For a continuous-time Markov chain,  $\pi$  is a **stationary** 

distribution if

$$\pi p_t = \pi$$
 for all  $t > 0$ 

#### Theorem

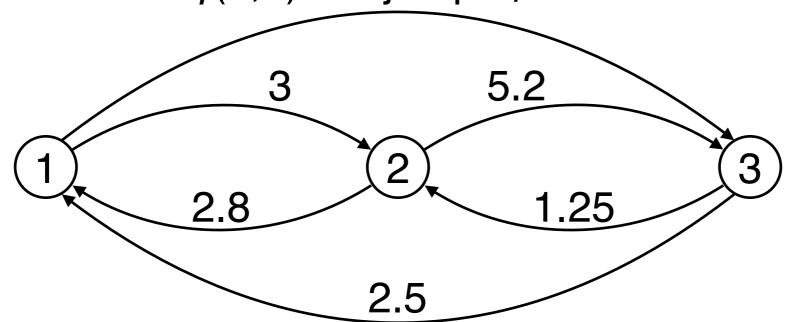
 $\pi$  is a stationary distribution if and only if

$$\pi Q = 0$$

$$Q(i,j) = \begin{cases} q(i,j) & \text{if } j \neq i \\ -\lambda_i & \text{if } j = i. \end{cases}$$

## Stationary Distribution: Continuous Time

q(1,3) = 2 jumps / sec



 $\pi$  is a stationary distribution if and only if  $\pi$  Q = 0

$$\lambda_1 = 2 + 3 = 5$$

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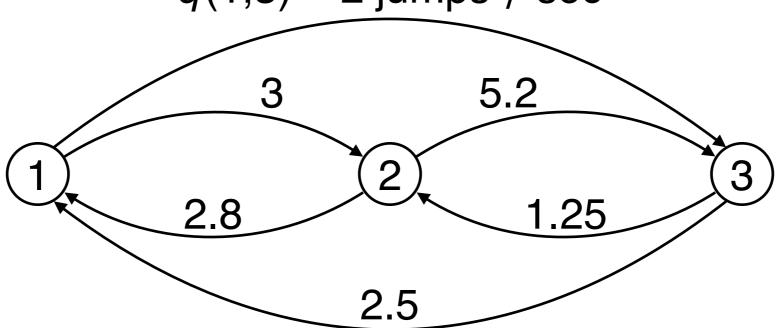
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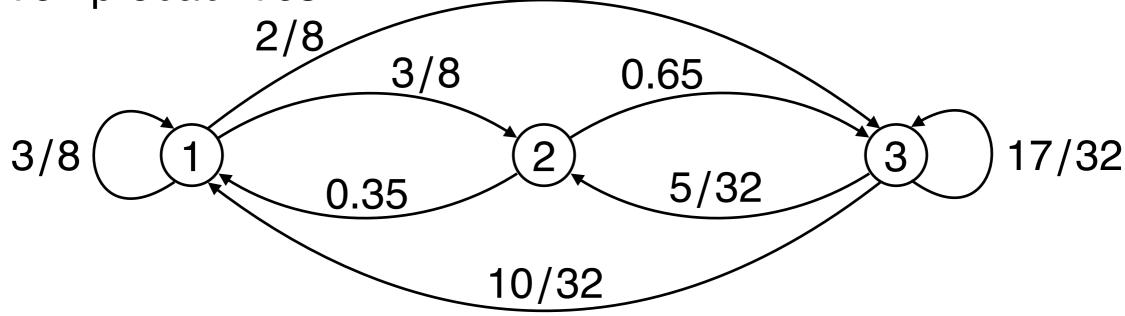
 $\pi$  = (0.341322, 0.19971, 0.458969)

q(1,3) = 2 jumps / sec

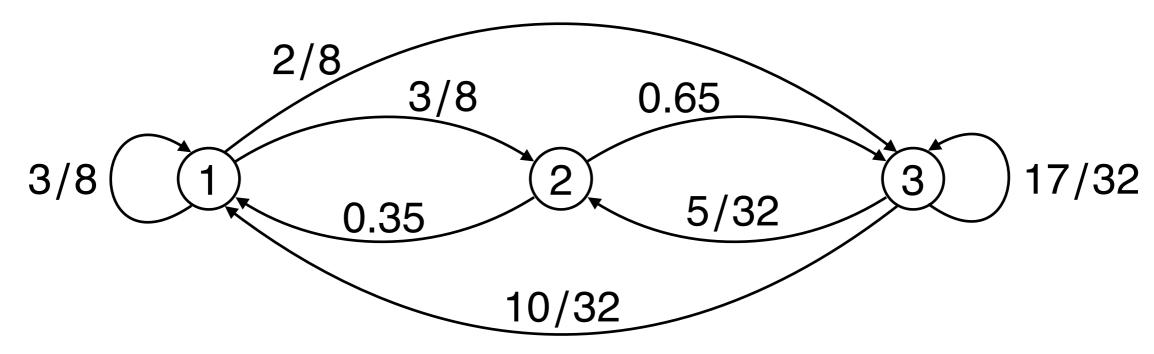


Poisson process:  $\lambda_{max} = \lambda_2 = 8$  jumps/sec (on average, random times)

Transition probabilities:



## **Stationary Distribution: Discrete Time**



 $\pi$  is a stationary distribution if and only if  $\pi$   $P = \pi$ 

$$(\pi_1 \ \pi_2 \ \pi_3) \begin{pmatrix} 3/8 & 3/8 & 2/8 \\ 0.35 & 0 & 0.65 \\ 10/32 \ 5/32 \ 17/32 \end{pmatrix} = (\pi_1 \ \pi_2 \ \pi_3)$$

$$P = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 3/8 & 3/8 & 2/8 \\ 0.35 & 0 & 0.65 \\ 10/32 & 5/32 & 17/32 \end{pmatrix}$$

 $\pi$  = (0.341322, 0.19971, 0.458969) ... the same as before

## **Detailed Balance Condition**

#### **Definition**

For a continuous-time Markov chain  $X_t$ , a distribution  $\pi$  is said to satisfy the <u>detailed balance condition</u> (DBC) if

$$\pi(k)q(k,j) = \pi(j)q(j,k)$$

(The MC is "reversible")

#### Theorem

If a distribution  $\pi$  satisfies the detailed balance condition, then  $\pi$  is a stationary distribution of the Markov chain.

# Recall: Detailed Balance Condition for Discrete-time Markov Chains

#### **Definition**

The probability distribution  $\pi$  satisfies condition of detailed balance if podmínka detailní rovnováhy

$$\pi_i \boldsymbol{P}_{ij} = \pi_j \boldsymbol{P}_{ji} \ \forall i, j.$$

We say that the chain  $(X_n)_{n\geq 0}$  with the starting distrinution  $\pi$  is reversible .

#### Recall Our Example

N(t) is a Poisson Process ( $\lambda$ );  $Y_n$  = discrete-time MC with transition prob. u(i,j); N(t) is indep. of  $Y_n$ . Then  $X_t = Y_{N(t)}$  has jump rates  $q(i,j) = \lambda \ u(i,j)$ .

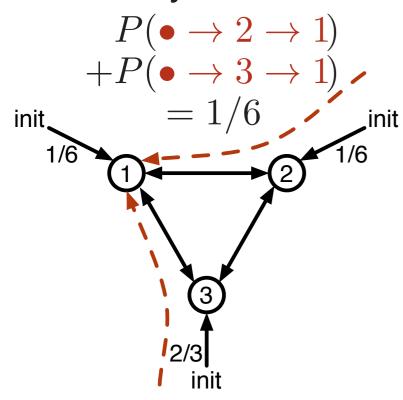
#### Detailed Balance for $Y_n$ :

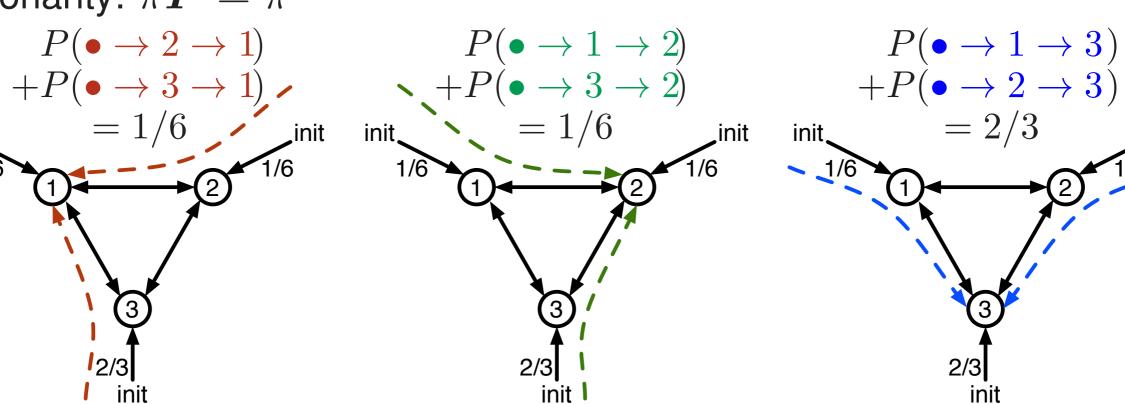
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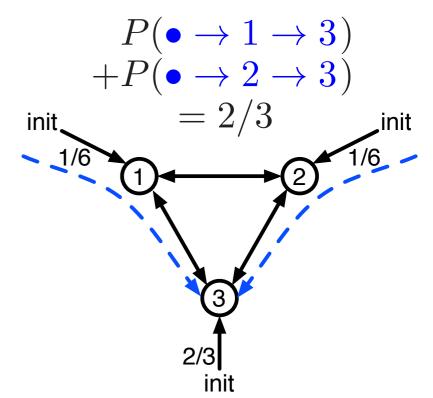
$$\pi(i) \ u(i,j) = \pi(j) \ u(j,i) \longleftrightarrow \pi(i) \ \lambda \ u(i,j) = \pi(j) \ \lambda \ u(j,i)$$
$$\pi(i) \ q(i,j) = \pi(j) \ q(j,i)$$

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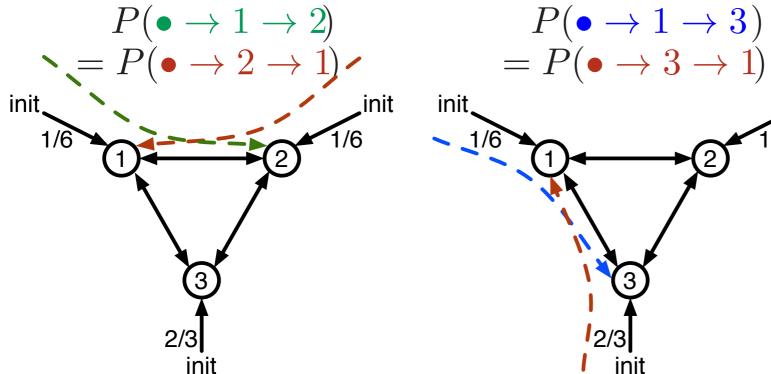
#### Stationarity: $\pi \boldsymbol{P} = \pi$

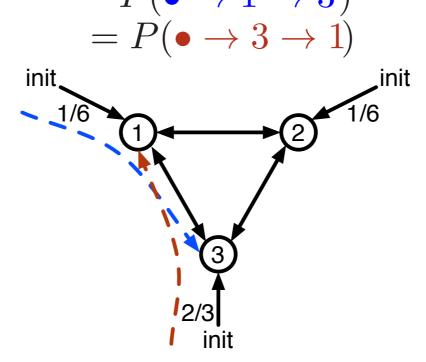


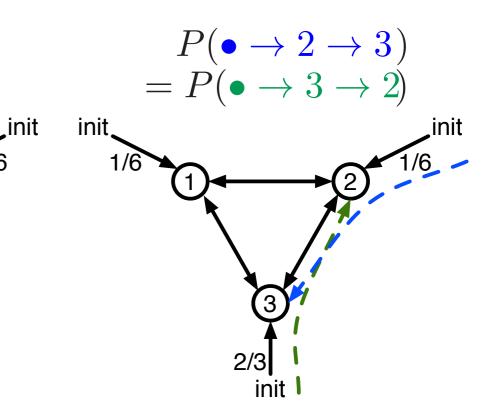




Detailed Balance:  $\pi_i \mathbf{P}_{ij} = \pi_j \mathbf{P}_{ji} \ \forall i, j$ 





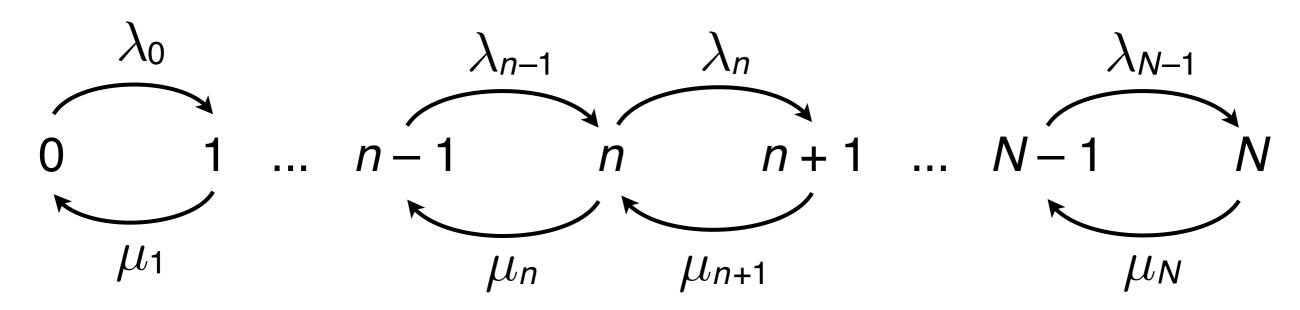


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# Birth & Death Chains (B&D Chains)

X(t) = Number of customers in a queueing system

Jump rates



$$q(n, n + 1) = \lambda_n$$
, for  $0 \le n < N$ 

$$q(n, n - 1) = \mu_n$$
, for  $0 < n \le N$ 

# Detailed Balance Condition for Birth & Death Chains

#### Recall a Theorem

If a distribution  $\pi$  satisfies the detailed balance condition, then  $\pi$  is a *stationary distribution* of the Markov chain.

The DBC

$$\pi(k)q(k,j) = \pi(j)q(j,k)$$

The DBC for Birth & Death Chains

$$\pi(n-1)q(n-1,n) = \pi(n)q(n, n-1)$$

$$\pi(n-1)\lambda_{n-1} = \pi(n)\mu_n$$

$$\pi(n) = \frac{\lambda_{n-1}}{\mu_n} \pi(n-1)$$

# Detailed Balance Condition for Birth & Death Chains

The DBC for Birth & Death Chains

$$\pi(n) = \frac{\lambda_{n-1}}{\mu_n} \pi(n-1)$$

$$\pi(n) = \frac{\lambda_{n-1}}{\mu_n} \cdot \frac{\lambda_{n-2}}{\mu_{n-1}} \cdot \pi(n-2)$$

$$\pi(n) = \frac{\lambda_{n-1}}{\mu_n} \cdot \frac{\lambda_{n-2}}{\mu_{n-1}} \cdots \frac{\lambda_0}{\mu_1} \cdot \pi(0)$$

 $\pi$  is a *stationary distribution* of the Markov chain

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# Stationary Distribution for Birth & Death Chains

#### Theorem

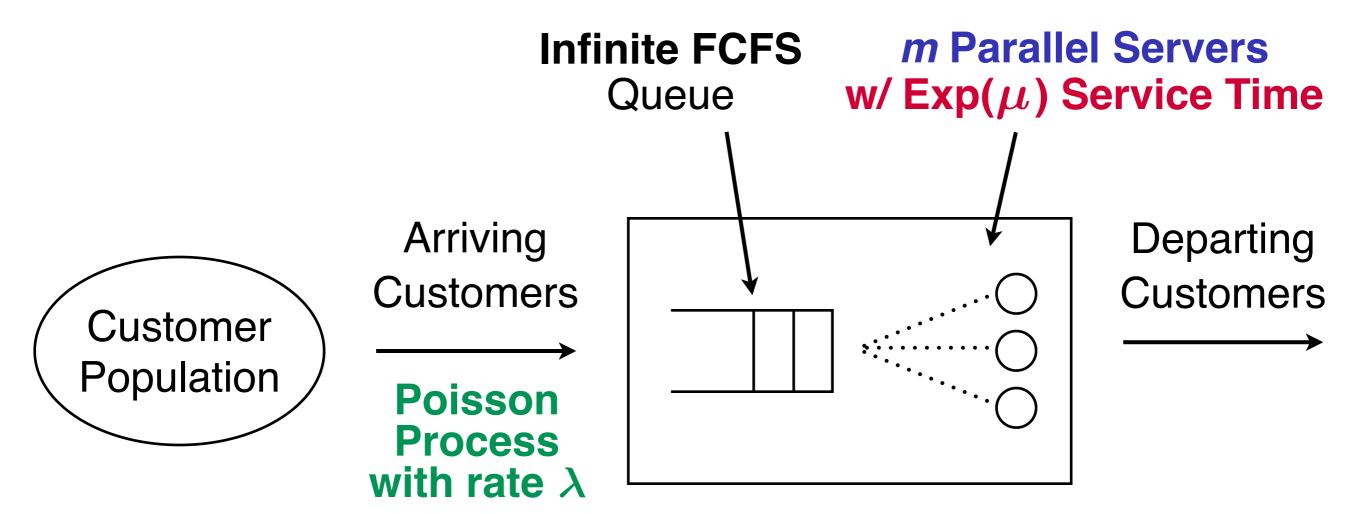
The stationary distribution of the B&D Markov chain is

$$\pi(n) = \frac{\lambda_{n-1}}{\mu_n} \cdot \frac{\lambda_{n-2}}{\mu_{n-1}} \cdots \frac{\lambda_0}{\mu_1} \cdot \pi(0)$$

provided that

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \pi(n) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \pi(n) \ge 0 \text{ for all } n \ge 1$$

# Queueing System M / M / m



## **Resource Utilization**

#### **Definition**

Resource utilization of a queueing system is the fraction of time the system is used

$$\rho = \frac{\text{Time a server is occupied}}{\text{Time available}}$$

Later we will show that for M/M/m systems  $\rho = \frac{\lambda}{m\mu}$ 

For M/M/1 systems 
$$\rho = \frac{\lambda}{\mu}$$

## Queueing System M / M / m

### Example

#### M/M/mQueue

Consider load-balancing *m* replicated database servers.

A request is routed to the next available server.

Requests line-up in a single queue if all servers are busy.

Requests arrive at times of a Poisson Process w/ rate  $\lambda$ :

$$q(n, n+1) = \lambda$$
 for all  $n \ge 0$ 

Service times are random independent  $\sim \text{Exp}(\mu)$ :

$$q(n, n-1) = n\mu$$
 if  $0 \le n \le m$ 

$$q(n, n-1) = m\mu$$
 if  $n \ge m$ 

# Stationary Distribution for the Number of Customers in M/M/1 Queueing Systems

#### Example

M/M/1 Queue

Requests arrive at times of a Poisson Process w/ rate  $\lambda$ :

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 for all  $n \ge 0$ 

Service times are random independent  $\sim \text{Exp}(\mu)$ :

$$q(n, n-1) = \mu$$
 for all  $n \ge 1$ 

The stationary distribution  $\pi$ :

$$\pi(n) = \frac{\lambda_{n-1}}{\mu_n} \cdot \frac{\lambda_{n-2}}{\mu_{n-1}} \cdots \frac{\lambda_0}{\mu_1} \cdot \pi(0)$$

$$\pi(n) = \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu}\right)^n \cdot \pi(0) = \rho^n \, \pi(0)$$

# Stationary Distribution for the Number of Customers in M/M/1 Queueing Systems

#### Example

M/M/1 Queue

The stationary distribution:  $\pi(n) = (\lambda/\mu)^n \pi(0) = \rho^n \pi(0)$ For  $|\rho| < 1$  we have

$$1 = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \pi(n) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \rho^n \pi(0) = \frac{\pi(0)}{1 - \rho}$$

The stationary distribution becomes:

$$\pi(n) = (1 - \rho) \rho^n$$

 $\pi$ +1 has Geometric distribution (1st head toss #) with parameter  $1-\rho=1-\lambda/\mu$ .

# Introduction to Queueing Theory

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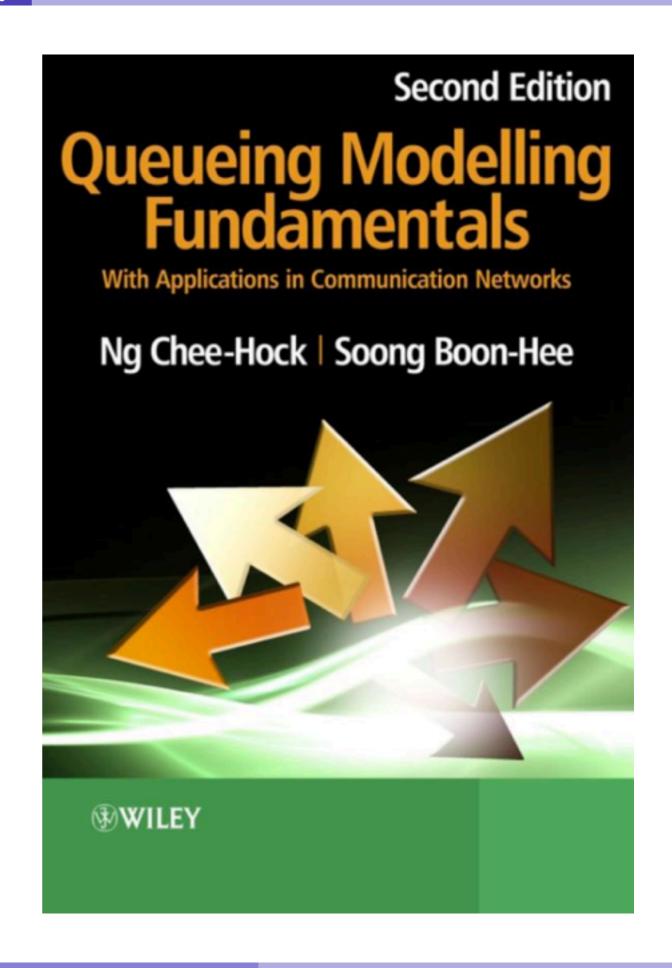
Alternative Spelling: Queuing

## **Textbook**

Chee-Hock Ng & Soong Boon-Hee

Queueing Modelling
Fundamentals
With Applications in
Communication Networks

John Wiley and Sons, Inc., 2 edition, 2008



## **Textbook**

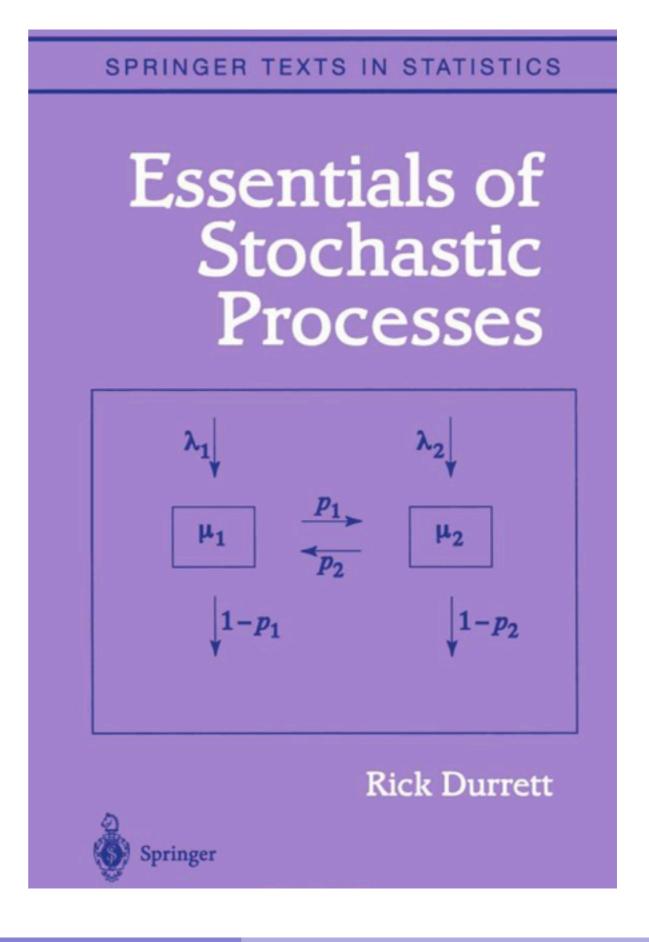
Richard Durrett

Essentials of Stochastic Processes

Springer Texts in Statistics

1st ed. 1999

2nd ed. 2010



# **Queueing Systems**

#### Systémy hromadné obsluhy

### Activities today are highly interdependent and intertwined

- Sharing of resources is common in all walks of life
- Sharing leads to waiting for resources in queues

#### In data communications (e.g. the Internet)

 Data packets are queued in switch/router buffers for transmission

#### In computer systems

Jobs are queued for processing by CPU or I/O devices

# **Queueing Theory**

### Originally developed for telephone networks

- A.K. Erlang (Danish engineer, published a paper in 1909)
- D.G. Kendall (British statistician, Oxford, Cambridge, introduced notation in 1953)

### In modern packet switching networks

 L. Kleinrock (American engineer, MIT, UCLA, main work in early 1960s)

#### **Poisson Process**

The most common model for customer arrivals

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# **Basic Principles and Terminology**

#### Customers

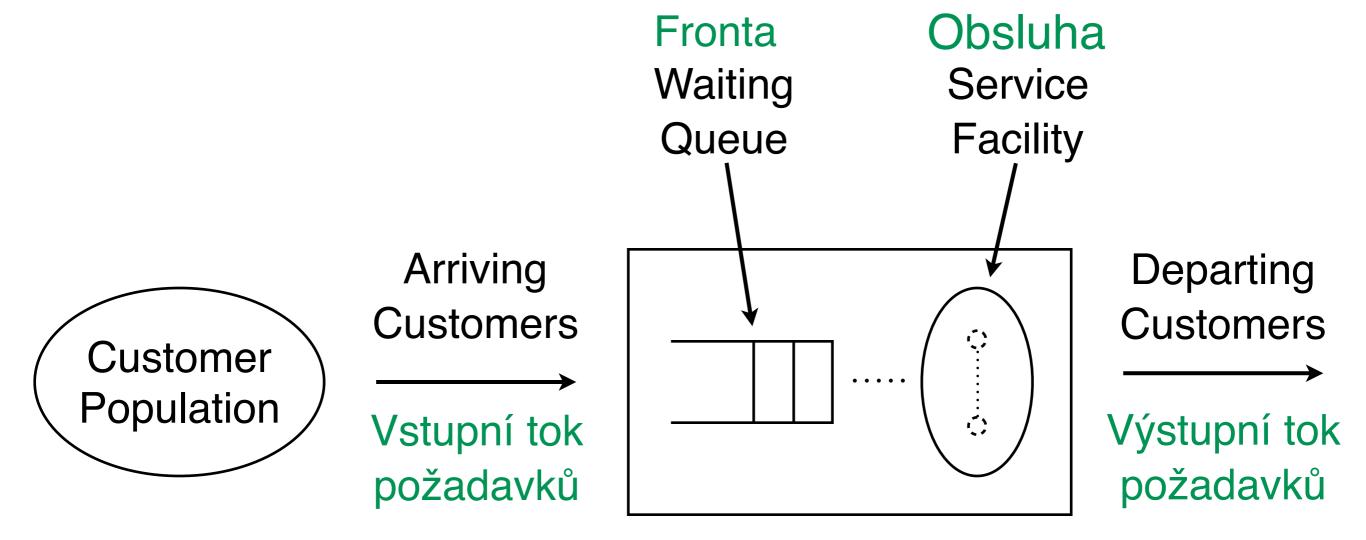
- Arrive according to an "arrival process"
- Want to obtain service from a "service facility"
- Networking: Data packets, data frames, ...
- Computing: Jobs, transactions, user requests, ...

## Service facility

- Contains one or more servers
- Each server can serve one customer at a time

Customers join a queue if all servers are occupied

# **Queueing System Diagram**



# Prvky systému hromadné obsluhy

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# **Basic Principles and Terminology**

#### Queueing System

- Arrival process
- Service Facility
- Waiting Queue

## Systém hromadné obsluhy

- Vstupní tok požadavků
- Obsluha a její režim
- Fronta a její režim

### We need a mathematical description of

- The input process
- The system structure
  - Queueing policy; Service policy
- The output process

## **Characteristics of the Input Process**

### Charakteristiky vstupního toku požadavků

- (i) The size of arriving population
  - Finite or infinite
  - Infinite is easier to solve arrival rate not affected by size
  - We often assume infinite arriving population
  - It approximates a "very large" population
- (ii) Behavior of arriving customers
  - May leave forever if the queue is full
  - May leave randomly if the queue is too long

## **Characteristics of the Input Process**

### Charakteristiky vstupního toku požadavků

### (iii) Arriving patterns

M: Markovian or Memoryless ⇒ <u>Poisson Process</u>
 (I.e. exponential & independent interarrival times)

D: Deterministic, constant interarrival times

 $E_k$ : Erlang distribution of order k of interarrival times

G: General probability distribution of interarrival times

GI: General & Independent distribution of interarrival times

Default Assumption: Poisson Process

## **Characteristics of the System Structure**

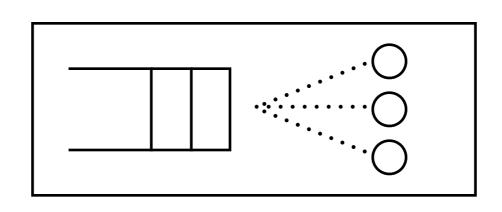
- (i) Physical number and layout of servers
  - One or more; <u>identical</u> or different; serial or <u>parallel</u>
  - We will focus on parallel identical servers
  - I.e. customers can go to any free server and then leave
- (ii) The system capacity

System capacity = waiting customers + served customers

- Non-blocking system infinite queue
  - Easier to solve often we assume this
- Blocking system finite queue
  - Customers leave forever if the queue is full

# **Physical Layout of Servers**

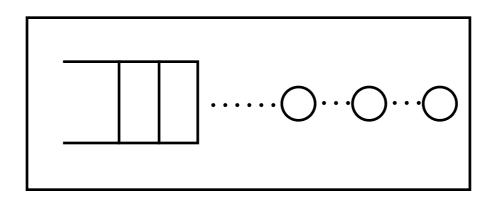




Departing Customers

Parallel Servers

Arriving Customers



Departing Customers

Serial Servers

# **Characteristics of the Output Process**

Charakteristiky výstupního toku požadavků

- (i) Queueing discipline or serving discipline Obsluha a její režim / Fronta a její režim
  - First-come-first-served (FCFS) / First-in-first-out (FIFO)
  - Last-come-first-served (LCFS) / First-in-last-out (FILO)
  - Priority based (preemptive or non-preemptive)
  - Processor sharing (1/k of time to each of k customers)
  - Random

Default Assumption: FCFS/FIFO

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# **Characteristics of the Output Process**

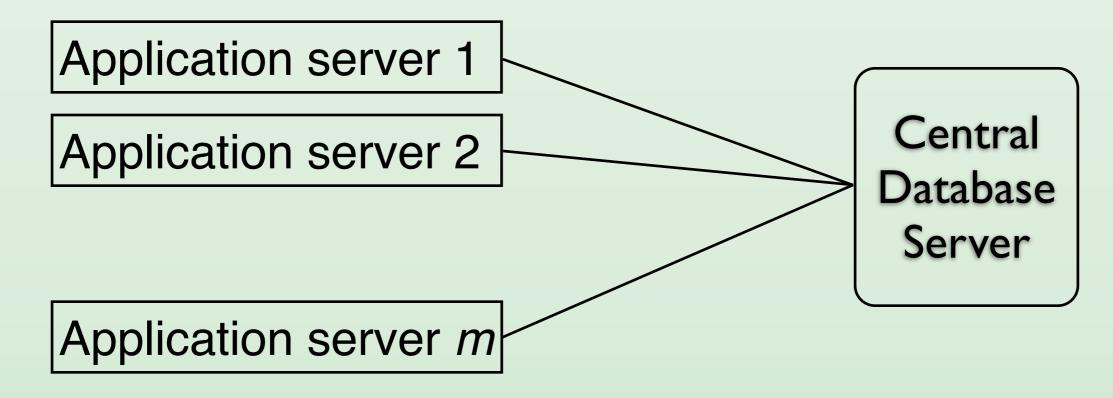
## Charakteristiky výstupního toku požadavků

- (ii) Service time distribution
  - M: Markovian or Memoryless ⇒ exponential service times
  - D: Deterministic, constant service times
  - $E_k$ : Erlang distribution of order k of service times
  - G: General probability distribution of service times
  - Default Assumption: Exponential service times

## Web and Database Servers

## Example

Pool of *m* application servers (e.g. Tomcat) submits a job to a central database server



## Web and Database Servers

#### Example

We assume the Poisson arrival process for the requests. So we obtain a state-dependent Poisson arrival process with the rate

$$\lambda(k) = \begin{cases} (m-k)\lambda & k < m \\ 0 & k \ge m \end{cases}$$

## **Kendall Notation**

#### A/B/X/Y/Z

A: Customer arrival pattern (Interarrival time distribution)

B: Service pattern (Service time distribution)

X: Number of parallel servers

Y: System capacity

Z: Queueing discipline

Default values:  $Y = \infty$ , Z = FCFS

Example:  $M/M/1 = M/M/1/\infty/FCFS$ 

(Poisson arrivals, Exp. service times, 1 server)

# **Plan of Study**

## We will focus on M/M/m systems

- We must therefore study
  - The Exponential Distribution (interarrival & service times)
  - The Poisson Process (interarrival times are Exponential)
  - Birth & Death Markov chains with continuous time (the number of customers in the system)

## We will also look at a M/G/∞ system

Poisson arrivals, General service time, ∞ many servers

But we will look at some general results first...

# Little's Theorem and Related Results

# **Ergodicity**

Two ways of calculating the average value of a process:

Time average

$$\overline{X}_t = \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t X(\tau) d\tau$$

Expected value

$$EX_t = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k P(X_t = k)$$

#### **Definition**

A random process X is <u>ergodic</u> if the two averages are equal (have the same limit) as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ 

## Little's Theorem

#### Theorem

 $N = \lambda T$ 

#### where

N = average number of customers in the system

 $\lambda$  = average arrival rate of customers

T = average time a customer spends in the system

## Very general – no assumptions about

- Interarrival and service time distribution
- Queueing policy
- Number of parallel servers

## Illustration of Little's Theorem

### Example

Consider a deterministic system:

2 customers arrive at the start of every minute

One stays 30s, the other 1 minute (avg. stay T = 45s)

How many people will be in the system, on average?

1st half of every minute: 2 customers

2nd half of every minute: 1 customer ... avg. N = 1.5

Little's Theorem:

 $N = \lambda T = 2$  cust/min × 3/4 min = 3/2 customers

## **Proof of Little's Theorem**

Assume FCFS (FIFO) policy

#### Define

A(t) = Number of arrivals during time interval (0,t)

D(t) = Number of departures during (0,t)

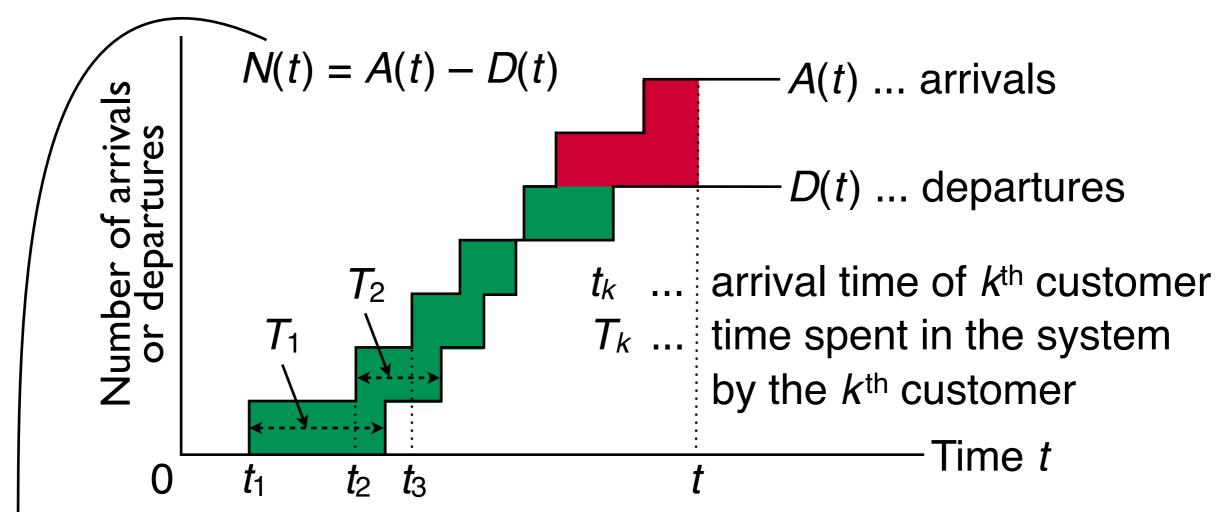
N(t) = Number of customers in the system at time t

Assume we start wit empty system at time 0.

Then the number of people in the system at time *t* is

$$N(t) = A(t) - D(t)$$

## **Proof of Little's Theorem**



Area under N(t) up to time t equals the area between the curves:

between the curves:
$$\int_{0}^{t} N(\tau) d\tau = \int_{0}^{t} [A(\tau) - D(\tau)] d\tau = \sum_{k=1}^{D(t)} T_{k} \times 1 + \sum_{k=D(t)+1}^{A(t)} (t - t_{k}) \times 1$$

We got the total number of customers up to time t

$$\int_0^t N(\tau) d\tau = \int_0^t [A(\tau) - D(\tau)] d\tau = \sum_{k=1}^{D(t)} T_k \times 1 + \sum_{k=D(t)+1}^{A(t)} (t - t_k) \times 1$$

The time average of the number of customers  $N_t$  is

$$N_{t} = \frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{t} N(\tau) d\tau = \left[ \sum_{k=1}^{D(t)} T_{k} + \sum_{k=D(t)+1}^{A(t)} (t - t_{k}) \right] \times \frac{1}{t}$$

$$= \underbrace{\left[\sum_{k=1}^{D(t)} T_k + \sum_{k=D(t)+1}^{A(t)} (t - t_k)\right] \times \frac{1}{A(t)}}_{k=1} \times \frac{A(t)}{A(t)} \times \frac{A(t)}{t}$$

$$= \underbrace{\left[\sum_{k=1}^{D(t)} T_k + \sum_{k=D(t)+1}^{A(t)} (t - t_k)\right]}_{t} \times \frac{A(t)}{A(t)}$$

 $N_t$ 

time average of the time spent by a customer

time average of

the arrival rate

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## **Proof of Little's Theorem**

We have

$$N_t = T_t \times \lambda_t$$

 $N_t$  ... time average of the number of customers

 $T_t$  ... time average of the time spent by a customer

 $\lambda_t$  ... time average of the arrival rate

For ergodic processes the time average

 $N_t \rightarrow N = \text{Expectation in steady state, as } t \rightarrow \infty$ 

Let  $t \to \infty$  to get

$$N = T \times \lambda$$

Note: Most queueing systems are ergodic.

## **Resource Utilization**

#### **Definition**

Resource utilization of a queueing system is the fraction of time the system is used

$$\rho = \frac{\text{Time a server is occupied}}{\text{Time available}}$$

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## **Resource Utilization**

#### Note

With m servers, N customers during (t, t+T), arrival rate  $\lambda$ , each server serves on average  $N/m = (\lambda T/m)$  customers.

If the average service time is  $(1/\mu)$  then

$$\rho = \frac{\text{Time a server is occupied}}{\text{Time available}}$$
$$= \frac{(\lambda T/m) \times (1/\mu)}{T} = \frac{\lambda}{m\mu}$$

 $\mu$  ... average number served per unit of time

# **Traffic Intensity**

#### **Definition**

Traffic Intensity (offered load) of a queueing system is the product of the average arrival rate  $\lambda$  and the average service time  $(1/\mu)$ :

 $\alpha = \frac{\lambda}{\mu}$ 

## Flow Conservation Law

## **Proposition**

For a stable queueing system

rate of customers leaving = rate of customers entering

$$\lambda_{out} = \lambda_{in}$$