

COMP9334 Capacity Planning Assignment, Session 1, 2018

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Question1:

a).

From **service demand** law: $D_{(j)} = U_{(j)} / X_{(0)}$

By definition **throughput**: $X_{(0)} = C_{(0)} / T$

By definition **utilization**: $U_{(j)} = B_{(j)} / T$

From above three equations, it can be delivered that: $D_{(j)} = B_{(j)} / C_{(0)}$

As a result, the service demand:

$$D_{(\text{CPU})} = B_{(\text{CPU})} / C_{(0)} = 2929 / 1267 \approx 2.312 \text{ s/jobs}$$

$$D_{(\text{Disk})} = B_{(\text{Disk})} / C_{(0)} = 2765 / 1267 \approx 2.182 \text{ s/jobs}$$

b).

From the Bottleneck analysis (thinking time is considered):

$$x_0 \leq \min \left[\frac{1}{\max(D_{(j)})}, \quad \frac{N}{\sum_{i=1}^K D_{(i)} + Z} \right]$$

For the first part, the minimum value is:

$$\min = 1/D_{(\text{CPU})} = 1/2.312 \approx 0.433$$

For the second part, the minimum value is:

$$\min = 20 / (2.312 + 2.182 + 14) \approx 1.081$$

Since $0.433 < 1.018$, the asymptotic bound should be 0.433 jobs/s

Question2:

a). The Markov Chain of a system, in which it has 4 staff (operators) and n waiting slots. Each circle with a number illustrates a specific probability of a state.

State 0: idle

State 1: 1 job in the system

State 2: 2 jobs in the system

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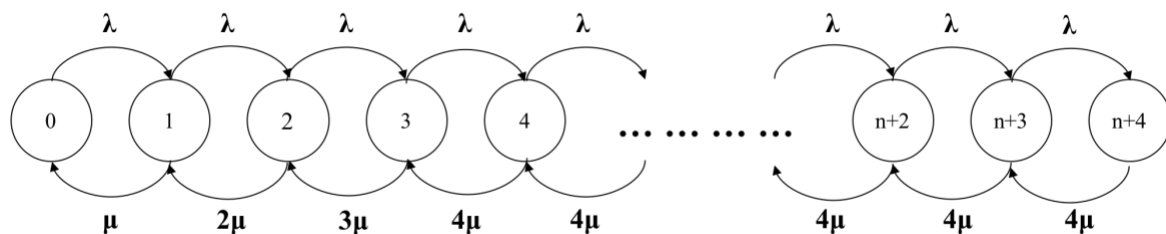
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State n: n jobs in the system

λ = mean arrival rate

μ = service rate



b). The balance equations for the Markov Chain:

$P_{(k)}$: The probability that k jobs in the system, where $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n, n+1, n+2, n+3, n+4$. Since there are 4 operators as well as n slots of queue.

$$\lambda * P_{(0)} = \mu * P_{(1)}$$

$$\lambda * P_{(1)} = 2\mu * P_{(2)}$$

$$\lambda * P_{(2)} = 3\mu * P_{(3)}$$

$$\lambda * P_{(3)} = 4\mu * P_{(4)}$$

$$\lambda * P_{(4)} = 4\mu * P_{(5)}$$

$$\lambda * P_{(5)} = 4\mu * P_{(6)}$$

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$$\lambda * P_{(n+2)} = 4\mu * P_{(n+3)}$$

$$\lambda * P_{(n+3)} = 4\mu * P_{(n+4)}$$

The sum of all probabilities will be 1:

$$P_{(0)} + P_{(1)} + P_{(2)} + P_{(3)} + P_{(4)} + \dots + P_{(n+2)} + P_{(n+3)} + P_{(n+4)} = 1$$

$$\text{Also, we have } \rho = \frac{\lambda}{\mu}$$

From the above two equations, we have:

$$P_{(0)} * (1 + \rho + \frac{1}{2} * \rho^2 + \frac{1}{6} * \rho^3 + \frac{1}{24} * \rho^4 + \dots + \frac{1}{24 * 4^{n-1}} * \rho^{n+3} + \frac{1}{24 * 4^n} * \rho^{n+4}) = 1$$

$$P_{(0)} = \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^4 \frac{1}{k!} * \rho^k + \frac{1}{24} * \sum_{k=5}^{k=n+4} \frac{1}{4^{(k-4)}} * \rho^k} \text{ (where } \rho = \frac{\lambda}{\mu} \text{)}$$

c). Steady state

Steady state means: Rate of entering a state = Rate of leaving a state = λ

From question b). the equation should be:

$$P_{(0)} = \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^4 \frac{1}{k!} * \rho^k + \frac{1}{24} * \sum_{k=5}^{k=n+4} \frac{1}{4^{(k-4)}} * \rho^k} \text{ (where } \rho = \frac{\lambda}{\mu} \text{)}$$

d). $n = 2$:

i). The probability that an arriving query will be rejected.

Probability that an arrival is blocked = Probability that there are **m** customers in the system

$\lambda = 15$ queries/hour

$\mu = 3$ queries/hour

$$\rho = \frac{\lambda}{\mu} = \frac{15}{3} = 5$$

Since there are 4 operators and 2 slots of queue, the total waiting list will be 6 in this case:

$$P_{(0)} * \left(1 + \rho + \frac{1}{2} * \rho^2 + \frac{1}{6} * \rho^3 + \frac{1}{24} * \rho^4 + \frac{1}{24 * 4} * \rho^5 + \frac{1}{24 * 4 * 4} * \rho^6\right) = 1$$

$$P_{(0)} = 0.007124$$

$$P_{(6)} = P_{(0)} * \rho^6 * \frac{1}{24 * 4 * 4} = 0.2935$$

As a result, the probability that a query will be rejected:

$$x = \mathbf{0.2935}$$

ii). The mean waiting time of an accepted query in queue

mean waiting time = mean number of jobs in the queue / throughput

In steady state the throughput will be: $\lambda = 15$ queries/hour

mean number of jobs in the queue: $0 * (P_{(0)} + P_{(1)} + P_{(2)} + P_{(3)} + P_{(4)}) + 1 * P_{(5)} + 2 * P_{(6)}$

From i):

$$P_{(5)} = P_{(0)} * \rho^5 * \frac{1}{24 * 4} = 0.2348$$

As a result, avg. # jobs in queue = $0 + 0.2348 * 1 + 0.2935 * 2 = 0.8218$

mean waiting time = $0.8218 / 15 = 0.05478$ hour = 3.287 mins ~ 3 mins

e). Determine the blocking probability if you add 5, 10, 15 and 20 waiting slots.

Add 5 slots:

4 operators, 7 slots of queue.

$$P_{(0)} * \left(1 + \rho + \frac{1}{2} * \rho^2 + \frac{1}{6} * \rho^3 + \frac{1}{24} * \rho^4 + \frac{1}{24 * 4} * \rho^5 + \frac{1}{24 * 4 * 4} * \rho^6 + \dots + \frac{1}{24 * 4^7} * \rho^{11}\right) = 1$$

$$P_{(0)} = 0.001798$$

$$P_{(11)} = P_{(0)} * \rho^{11} * \frac{1}{24 * 4^7} = 0.2935$$

Add 10 slots:

4 operators, 12 slots of queue.

$$P_{(0)} * \left(1 + \rho + \frac{1}{2} * \rho^2 + \frac{1}{6} * \rho^3 + \frac{1}{24} * \rho^4 + \frac{1}{24 * 4} * \rho^5 + \frac{1}{24 * 4 * 4} * \rho^6 + \dots + \frac{1}{24 * 4^{12}} * \rho^{16}\right) = 1$$

$$P_{(0)} = 0.0005465$$

$$P_{(16)} = P_{(0)} * \rho^{16} * \frac{1}{24 * 4^{12}} = 0.2071$$

Add 15 slots:

4 operators, 17 slots of queue.

$$P_{(0)} * \left(1 + \rho + \frac{1}{2} * \rho^2 + \frac{1}{6} * \rho^3 + \frac{1}{24} * \rho^4 + \frac{1}{24 * 4} * \rho^5 + \frac{1}{24 * 4 * 4} * \rho^6 + \dots + \frac{1}{24 * 4^{17}} * \rho^{21}\right) = 1$$

$$P_{(0)} = 0.0001749$$

$$P_{(21)} = P_{(0)} * \rho^{21} * \frac{1}{24 * 4^{17}} = 0.2023$$

Add 20 slots:

4 operators, 22 slots of queue.

$$P_{(0)} * \left(1 + \rho + \frac{1}{2} * \rho^2 + \frac{1}{6} * \rho^3 + \frac{1}{24} * \rho^4 + \frac{1}{24 * 4} * \rho^5 + \frac{1}{24 * 4 * 4} * \rho^6 + \dots + \frac{1}{24 * 4^{22}} * \rho^{26}\right) = 1$$

$$P_{(0)} = 0.00005688$$

$$P_{(26)} = P_{(0)} * \rho^{26} * \frac{1}{24 * 4^{22}} = 0.2007$$

e). Why there is little drop in blocking probability after adding 10 waiting slots.

The blocking probability is the probability that there are **m** customers in the system.

$$P_{(drop)} = P_{(0)} * \rho^n * \frac{1}{24 * 4^{n-4}}$$

$$P_{(0)} = \frac{1}{\sum_{n=0}^4 \frac{1}{n!} * \rho^n + \frac{1}{24} * \sum_{n=5}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4^{(n-4)}} * \rho^n}$$

As a result:

$$P_{(drop)} = \frac{\rho^n * \frac{1}{24 * 4^{n-4}}}{\sum_{n=0}^4 \frac{1}{n!} * \rho^n + \frac{1}{24} * \sum_{n=5}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4^{(n-4)}} * \rho^n}$$

Where $\rho = 5$

$$P_{(drop)} = \frac{\rho^n * \frac{1}{24 * 4^{n-4}}}{65.375 + \frac{1}{24} * \sum_{k=5}^n \frac{1}{4^{(k-4)}} * \rho^k} = \frac{5^n}{4^{n-4} * (1569 + \frac{5^5}{4} \sum_{k=0}^{n-5} (5/4)^k)}$$

From the summation of a Geometric sequence:

$$P_{(drop)} = \frac{\rho^n * \frac{1}{24 * 4^{n-4}}}{65.375 + \frac{1}{24} * \sum_{k=5}^n \frac{1}{4^{(k-4)}} * \rho^k} = \frac{5^n}{4^{n-4} * (1569 + \frac{5^5}{4} \sum_{k=0}^{n-5} (5/4)^k)}$$

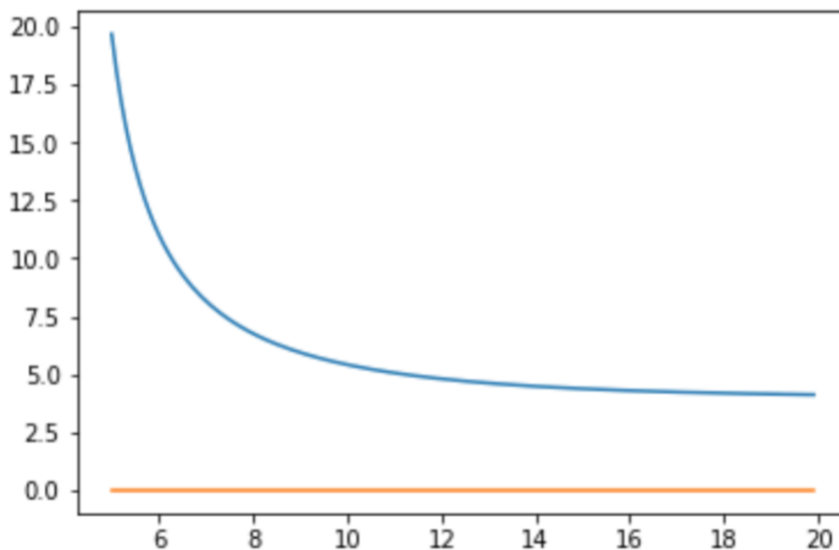
$$P_{(drop)} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{4} - 1556 * \frac{4^{n-4}}{5^n}} = \frac{1}{0.25 - 0.6078 * 0.8^n}$$

Using the python note book to plot the graph:

```
import math
import matplotlib
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
%matplotlib inline

def f(x):
    return 1/(0.25 - 0.6078*0.8**x)

xvals = np.arange(5, 20, 0.1)
yvals = np.array([f(x) for x in xvals])
plt.plot(xvals, yvals)
plt.plot(xvals, 0*xvals)
plt.show()
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From the above, we can see that the probabilities of blocking drops smoothly after $n=10$, which means the additional slots is 10.

As a result, to reduce the blocking probability efficiently, 10 more slots can be added to the system. And the new system will be: M/M/4/12

Question3:

a). formulate a continuous-time Markov chain for this computer system.

Since there are four jobs in the system, the total number of states will be $\frac{(4+1)(4+2)}{2} = 15$

They are

(4,0,0)
 (3,1,0) (3,0,1)
 (2,2,0) (2,0,2) (2,1,1)
 (1,2,1) (1,1,2) (1,0,3) (1,3,0)
 (0,4,0) (0,3,1) (0,2,2) (0,1,3) (0,0,4)

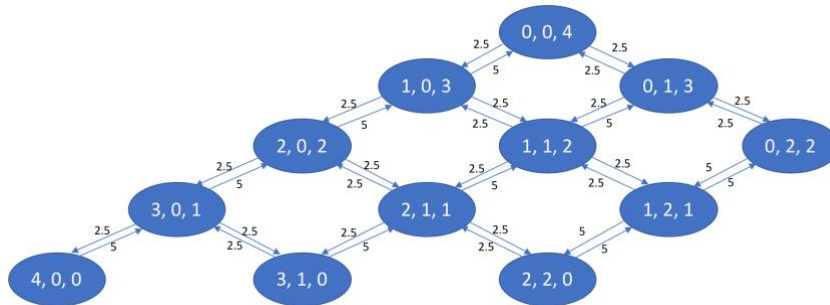
A job for disk will go to CPU1 directly, if there are 2 or more jobs in CPU2. This means the maximum number of jobs in CPU2 is 2. As a result, the cases (0,3,1), (1,3,0) and (0,4,0) are invalid.

So, there are only **12** valid cases, which are (4,0,0) (3,1,0) (3,0,1) (2,2,0) (2,0,2) (2,1,1) (1,2,1) (1,1,2) (1,0,3) (0,2,2) (0,1,3) (0,0,4) respectively.

Jobs complete at disk at a rate of 5 transactions/s

Jobs complete at CPU1 at a rate of 5 transactions/s

Jobs complete at CPU2 at a rate of 2.5 transactions/s



b). Balance equations for the continuous-time Markov Chain

$$\begin{aligned}
 5 * P_{(0,0,4)} &= 5 * P_{(1,0,3)} + 2.5 * P_{(0,1,3)} \\
 10 * P_{(1,0,3)} &= 2.5 * P_{(0,0,4)} + 5 * P_{(2,0,2)} + 2.5 * P_{(1,1,2)} \\
 7.5 * P_{(0,1,3)} &= 2.5 * P_{(0,0,4)} + 5 * P_{(1,1,2)} + 2.5 * P_{(0,2,2)} \\
 10 * P_{(2,0,2)} &= 2.5 * P_{(1,0,3)} + 5 * P_{(3,0,1)} + 2.5 * P_{(2,1,1)} \\
 12.5 * P_{(1,1,2)} &= 2.5 * P_{(1,0,3)} + 2.5 * P_{(0,1,3)} + 5 * P_{(2,1,1)} + 2.5 * P_{(1,2,1)} \\
 7.5 * P_{(0,2,2)} &= 2.5 * P_{(1,0,3)} + 5 * P_{(1,2,1)} \\
 10 * P_{(3,0,1)} &= 2.5 * P_{(2,0,2)} + 5 * P_{(4,0,0)} + 2.5 * P_{(3,1,0)} \\
 12.5 * P_{(2,1,1)} &= 2.5 * P_{(2,0,2)} + 2.5 * P_{(1,1,2)} + 5 * P_{(3,1,0)} + 2.5 * P_{(2,2,0)} \\
 12.5 * P_{(1,2,1)} &= 2.5 * P_{(1,1,2)} + 5 * P_{(0,2,2)} + 5 * P_{(2,2,0)} \\
 5 * P_{(4,0,0)} &= 2.5 * P_{(3,0,1)} \\
 7.5 * P_{(3,1,0)} &= 2.5 * P_{(3,0,1)} + 2.5 * P_{(2,1,1)} \\
 7.5 * P_{(2,2,0)} &= 2.5 * P_{(2,1,1)} + 5 * P_{(1,2,1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

(where $\sum P_{(CPU1, CPU2, Disk)} = 1$)

c). Steady state probabilities for each state.

The following is the code of matlab to get the probability of each state.

```
A = [ 5      -5      -2.5    0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0
      -2.5    10      0      -5      -2.5    0      0      0      0      0      0      0
      -2.5    0      7.5    0      -5      -2.5    0      0      0      0      0      0
      0      -2.5    0      10     0      0      -5      -2.5    0      0      0      0
      0      -2.5    -2.5    0      12.5    0      0      -5      -2.5    0      0      0
      0      0      -2.5    0      7.5    0      0      -5      0      0      0      0
      0      0      0      -2.5    0      10     0      0      -5      -2.5    0      0
      0      0      0      -2.5    -2.5    0      0      12.5    0      0      -5      -2.5
      0      0      0      0      -2.5    -5      0      12.5    0      0      -5      0
      0      0      0      0      0      -2.5    0      0      5      0      0      0
      0      0      0      0      0      -2.5    -2.5    0      0      7.5    0      0
      1      1      1      1      1      1      1      1      1      1      1      1 ];
b = [0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1]';
x = A\b;
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Command Window
0.1711
0.0912
0.1598
0.0501
0.0935
0.1213
0.0259
0.0572
0.1021
0.0130
0.0277
0.0871
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As a result:

$$P_{(0,0,4)} = 0.1711$$

$$P_{(1,0,3)} = 0.0912$$

$$P_{(0,1,3)} = 0.1598$$

$$P_{(2,0,2)} = 0.0501$$

$$P_{(1,1,2)} = 0.0935$$

$$P_{(0,2,2)} = 0.1213$$

$$P_{(3,0,1)} = 0.0259$$

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d). throughput of the system.

Throughput of the system = CPU throughput

Throughput = Utilisation * Service rate

In this case, it is the sum of throughput of both CPU1 and CPU2

For CPU1:

$$\begin{aligned} & (P_{(1,0,3)} + P_{(2,0,2)} + P_{(1,1,2)} + P_{(3,0,1)} + P_{(2,1,1)} + P_{(1,2,1)} + P_{(4,0,0)} + P_{(3,1,0)} + P_{(2,2,1)}) * 5 \text{ jobs/s} \\ &= (0.0912 + 0.0501 + 0.0935 + 0.0259 + 0.0572 + 0.1021 + 0.0130 + 0.0277 + 0.0871) * 5 \text{ jobs/s} \\ &= 2.739 \text{ jobs/s} \end{aligned}$$

For CPU2:

$$\begin{aligned} & (P_{(0,1,3)} + P_{(1,1,2)} + P_{(0,2,2)} + P_{(2,1,1)} + P_{(1,2,1)} + P_{(3,1,0)} + P_{(2,2,1)}) * 2.5 \text{ jobs/s} \\ &= (0.1598 + 0.0935 + 0.1213 + 0.0572 + 0.1021 + 0.0277 + 0.0871) * 2.5 \text{ jobs/s} \\ &= 1.622 \text{ jobs/s} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Total throughput} = \text{Th.CPU1} + \text{Th.CPU2} = 4.361 \text{ jobs/s}$$

e). Mean number of jobs in CPU1.

$$P_{(0,0,4)} = 0.1711$$

$$P_{(1,0,3)} = 0.0912$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\text{Mean number of jobs in CPU1} &= \sum_{k=0}^4 k * P_k (\text{where } k \text{ is the \#jobs in CPU1}) \\ &= 1*(0.0912+0.0935+0.1021) + 2*(0.0501+0.0572+0.0871) + 3*(0.0259+0.0277) + 4*0.0130 \\ &= 0.8884 \text{ jobs}\end{aligned}$$

f). Mean response time of CPU1.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Mean response time} &= \text{mean number of jobs} / \text{throughput of CPU1} \\ &= 0.8884 / 2.739\text{s} \\ &= \mathbf{0.3244\text{s}}\end{aligned}$$