

Homework 1

Part I. **Problems of Chapter 1** in the textbook.

P5, P6, P13, P14, P20, P25, P31

Part II. Additional problems.

II.1 Suppose that users share a 3 Mbps link. Also suppose each user requires 150 kbps when transmitting, but each user transmits only 10 percent of the time.

- (a) When circuit switching is used, how many users can be supported?
- (b) For the remainder of this problem, suppose packet switching is used. Find the probability that a given user is transmitting.
- (c) Suppose there are 120 users. Find the probability that at any given time, exactly n users are transmitting simultaneously. (Hint: Use the binomial distribution.)
- (d) Find the probability that there are 21 or more users transmitting simultaneously.

Hint: Recall the central limit theorem. You may use the values:

$\Phi(0.74) = 0.7704$, $\Phi(1.74) = 0.9591$, $\Phi(2.74) = 0.9969$, $\Phi(3.74) = 0.9999$, where $\Phi(x)$ is the cumulative distribution function (cdf) of a standard normal random variable.