

# Performance Modeling of Computer Systems and Networks

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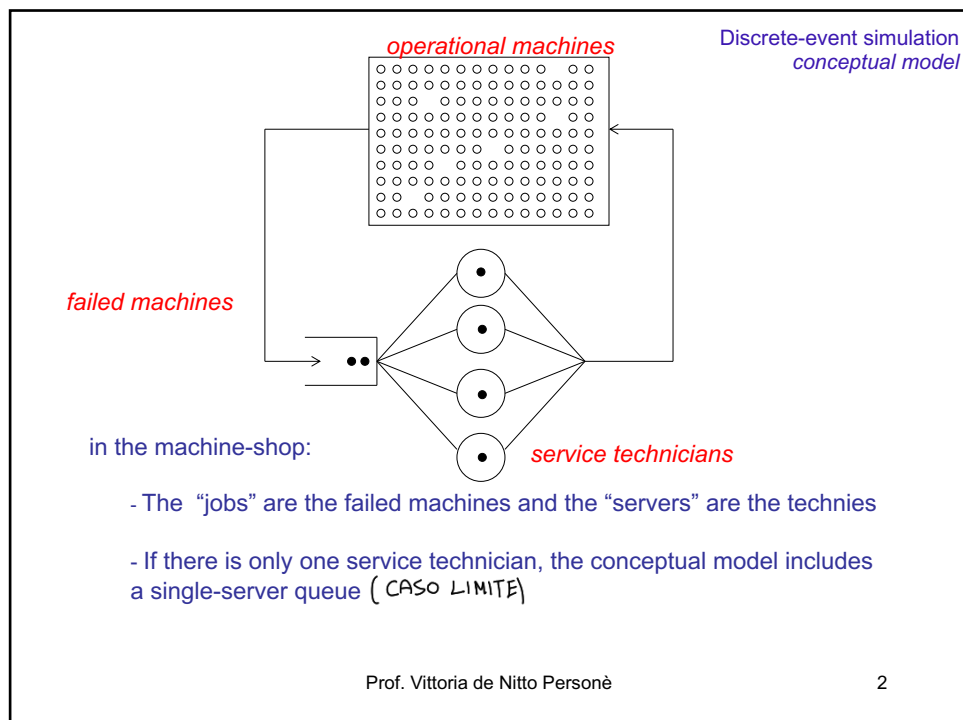
Trace-driven simulation  
Case study 1

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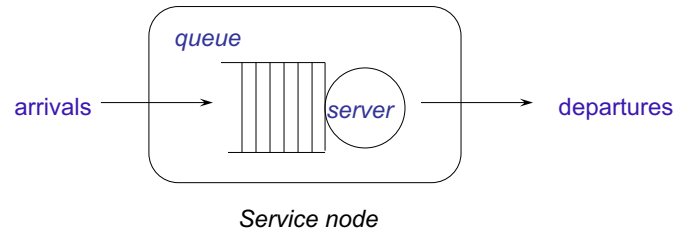
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Discrete-event simulation  
conceptual model

## Single server queue



- def. 1 a single server service node consists of a server plus its queue

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## terminology

synonymous

- queue/center/node
- job/user/request

usual

- waiting time →
- response/sojourn time →

in the book

delay  
wait

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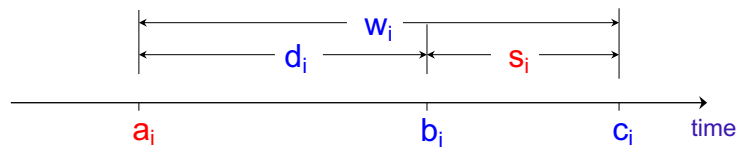
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Discrete-event simulation  
specification modelFor a job  $i$ :

- The arrival time is  $a_i$
  - The service time is  $s_i$
  - The delay in the queue is  $d_i$  (delay, usually this is known as "waiting time")
  - The time that service begins is  $b_i = a_i + d_i$  (begin)
  - The wait in the node is  $w_i = d_i + s_i$  (wait, aka response time)
  - The departure time is  $c_i = a_i + w_i$  (completion)
- output variables



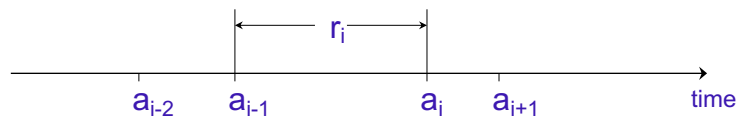
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Discrete-event simulation  
specification modelThe interarrival time between jobs  $i - 1$  and  $i$  is

$$r_i = a_i - a_{i-1}$$

where, by definition,  $a_0 = 0$ Assume only one arrival per time instant  
 $r_i > 0, \forall i$ NO bulk (arrivi multipli in  $a_i$ )

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*trace-driven simulation*

- The model is driven by external data:  
Given the arrival times  $a_i$  and service times  $s_i$ , **can the delay times  $d_i$  be computed?**   
 (overe  $r_i$  è equivalente!  $a_i = r_1 + r_2 + \dots + r_i$ )
- For some queue disciplines, this question is difficult to answer
- If the queue discipline is FIFO,  $d_i$  is determined by when  $a_i$  (the arrival) occurs relative to  $c_{i-1}$  (the previous departure)

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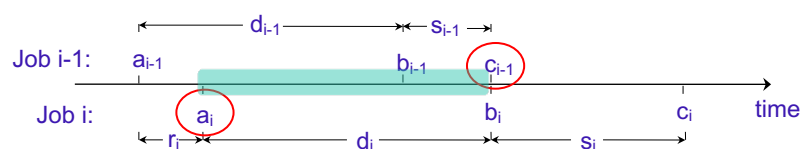
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Case 1. The job arrives *before* the previous job completes

$$a_i < c_{i-1}$$



$$d_i = c_{i-1} - a_i$$

$\downarrow$  i arriva  
 $\downarrow$  i finisce

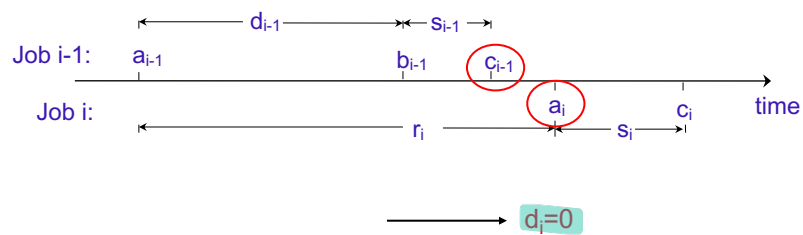
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Case 2. The job arrives *after* the completion of the previous job

$$a_i \geq c_{i-1}$$



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## Output statistics

(intuitive)

- The purpose of simulation is insight — gained by looking at statistics
- The importance of various statistics *varies on perspective*:
  - *User perspective (job)*: wait time is most important
  - *Manager perspective*: utilization is critical
- Statistics are broken down into two categories
  - Job-averaged
  - Time-averaged

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Discrete-event simulation  
Output statistics

## Job-averaged statistics

- Average interarrival time

Arrival rate

$$\bar{r} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n r_i = \frac{a_n}{n} = \frac{1}{n} \cdot [a_0 + (a_1 - a_0) + (a_2 - a_1) + \dots]$$

$$\frac{1}{\bar{r}}$$

- Average service time

Service rate

$$\bar{s} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n s_i$$

$$\frac{1}{\bar{s}}$$

esempio:  $\bar{r}$  = average interarrival e' 32 sec/job ;  $\frac{1}{\bar{r}} \rightarrow [\text{job}]$   
 $\bar{s}$  = average service time e' 34.7 sec/job ;  $\frac{1}{\bar{s}} \rightarrow [\text{sec}]$

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## Job-averaged statistics

- The average delay and average wait are defined as

$$\bar{d} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n d_i \quad \bar{w} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \quad (\text{response time})$$

$w_i = d_i + s_i$   
 $\downarrow$  attesa prima di essere servito     $\downarrow$  tempo servizio

Recall  $w_i = d_i + s_i \quad \forall i$ , hence

$$\bar{w} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n w_i = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (d_i + s_i) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n d_i + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n s_i = \bar{d} + \bar{s} = \bar{w}$$

Sufficient to compute any two of  $\bar{w}, \bar{d}, \bar{s}$ 

con 2 val. trova il 3°, ma e' bene anche calcolando da se e poi confrontarli! (VERIFICO)

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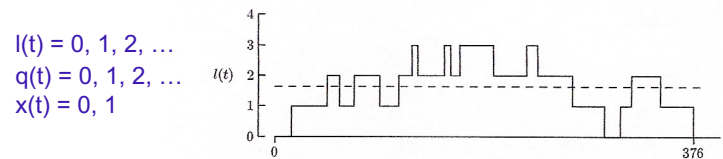
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## time-averaged statistics

For SSQ, need three additional functions

- $l(t)$ : number of jobs in the **service node** at time  $t$  (tutti quelli nel sist)
- $q(t)$ : number of jobs in the queue at time  $t$  (in coda)
- $x(t)$ : number of jobs in service at time  $t$  (in servizio)

By definition  $l(t) = q(t) + x(t) \quad \forall t$



The three functions are *piecewise constant*  
(a tratti)

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## SINGLE SERVER QUEUE

Over the time interval  $(0, \tau)$ :

time-averaged number in the node:  $\bar{l} = \frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^\tau l(t) dt$

time-averaged number in the queue:  $\bar{q} = \frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^\tau q(t) dt$

time-averaged number in service:  
( $\hat{=}$  server utilization)  $\bar{x} = \frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^\tau x(t) dt$

**Def. Utilization**  
The proportion of  
time that the  
server is busy

Since  $l(t) = q(t) + x(t) \quad \forall t$

$$\bar{l} = \bar{q} + \bar{x}$$

$\bar{x} \in [0, 1]$  poiché singolo server

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How are job-averaged and time-average statistics related?

in particolare: legame  $\langle \bar{w}, \bar{d}, \bar{s} \rangle$  e  $\langle \bar{e}, \bar{q}, \bar{x} \rangle$ ?

Little's Law (1961)

If (a) queue discipline is FIFO,

(b) service node capacity is infinite, and

(c) server is idle both at the beginning and end of the observation interval ( $t = 0, t = c_n$ )

then (allora):

$$\int_0^{c_n} l(t) dt = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i$$

Job nel service mode in t

$$\int_0^{c_n} q(t) dt = \sum_{i=1}^n d_i$$

Job coda int

$$\int_0^{c_n} x(t) dt = \sum_{i=1}^n s_i$$

Job servizio in t

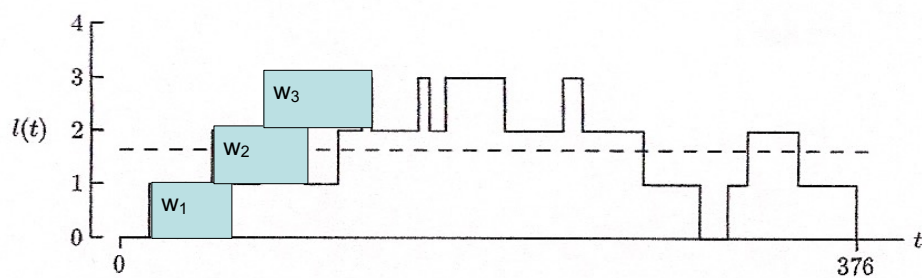
Job service mode (coda + server)

se  $t_0 = 0, t_{finale} = 320$   
in questi tempi  
NON devono esserci  
Job nel Server

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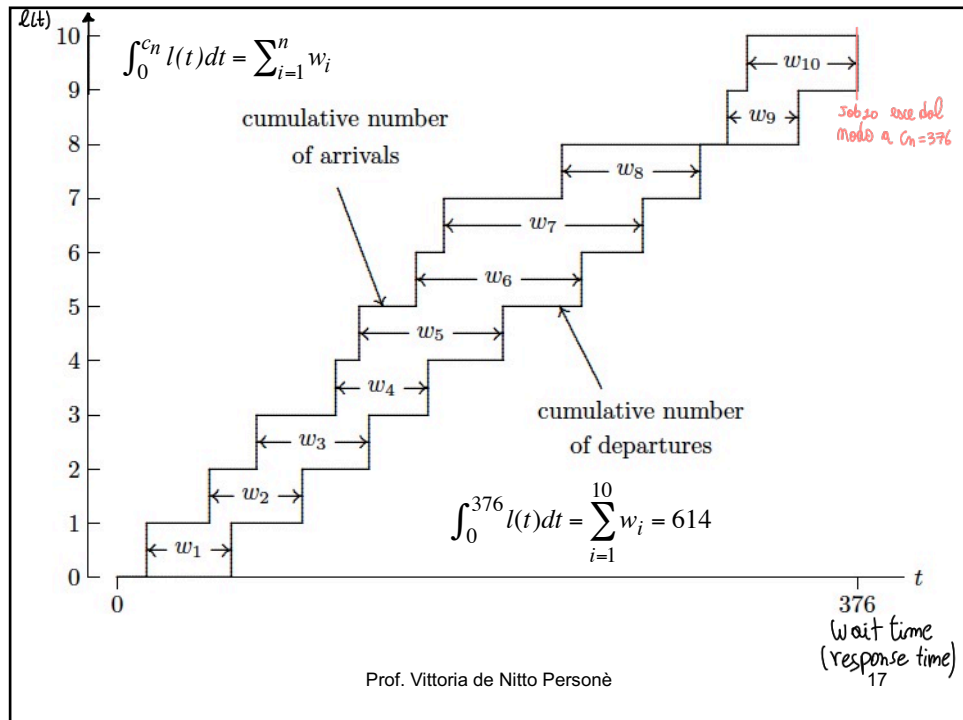


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Using  $\tau = c_n$  in  $\bar{l} = \frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^{\tau} l(t)dt$  (media)

along with Little's Theorem, we have:

$$c_n \bar{l} = \int_0^{c_n} l(t)dt = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i = n \bar{w} \quad \bar{w} = \frac{1}{n} \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n w_i$$

As a consequence:  $\bar{l} = \frac{n}{c_n} \bar{w}$

Same holds for:  $\bar{q} = \frac{n}{c_n} \bar{d} \quad \bar{x} = \frac{n}{c_n} \bar{s} \quad ; \quad c_n \cdot \bar{q} = n \cdot \bar{d} \quad c_n \cdot \bar{x} = n \cdot \bar{s}$

$\frac{n}{c_n}$  represents the average system throughput in  $c_n$   
Note that, for infinite queue, this corresponds to the average arrival rate

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Discrete-event simulation

**Def. Traffic intensity**

The ratio of the arrival rate to the service rate

$$\frac{1/\bar{r}}{1/\bar{s}} = \frac{\bar{s}}{\bar{r}} = \frac{\bar{s}}{a_n/n} = \left( \frac{c_n}{a_n} \right) \bar{x}$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\bar{x} = \frac{n}{c_n} \bar{s}$$

When  $c_n/a_n$  is close to 1.0, the traffic intensity and utilization will be nearly equal

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