

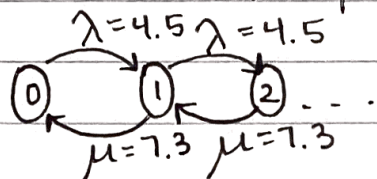
## 29 Continuous Time Markov Chain $\rightarrow$ solving problems

### EX: Forklift Problem

$X_t \equiv$  # of forklifts in repair facility

• birth/death process

• 22 work days/month



54 trucks

1 yr

$\lambda = 4.5$

1 yr

12 months

$\frac{\text{trucks}}{\text{month}}$

3 days

month

1 truck

22 days =  $\mu$

7.3 trucks/month

$$0: \lambda P_0 = \mu P_1$$

$$1: (\mu + \lambda) P_1 = \lambda P_0 + \mu P_2$$

$$2: (\mu + \lambda) P_2 = \lambda P_1 + \mu P_3$$

$\vdots$

$$26: (\mu + \lambda) P_{26} = \lambda P_{25} + \mu P_{27}$$

$$27: (\mu) P_{27} = \lambda P_{26} \quad P_{27} = \left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu}\right)^{27} P_0$$

$$\lambda = 4.5 \quad n = 27$$

$$\mu = 7.3$$

$$P_0 = \frac{(1 - 4.5/7.3)}{(1 - 4.5/7.3)^{28}} = 0.38$$

$$P_1 = \frac{4.5}{7.3} (0.38) = .236442$$