

CSC5420
Phase-type Systems

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Method of Stages: Erlangian Distribution E_r

Let service time density function

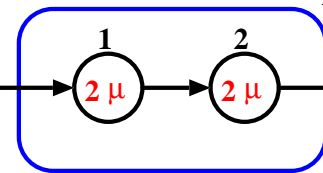
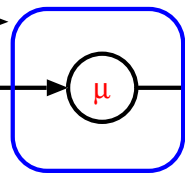
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more general
than birth-death

Recall: expo.

$$b(x) = \mu e^{-\mu x} \quad x \geq 0$$

$$B^*(s) = \frac{\mu}{s + \mu}; \quad E[\tilde{x}] = \frac{1}{\mu}; \quad \sigma_b^2 = \frac{1}{\mu^2}$$

Decompose service time onto structured expo. distributions



one customer in this box at a time

service facility

$$B^*(s) = \int_0^\infty e^{-sx} b(x) dx$$

$$H^*(s) = \int_0^\infty e^{-sy} b(y) dy$$

$$h(y) = 2\mu e^{-2\mu y} \quad y \geq 0; \quad E[\tilde{y}] = \frac{1}{2\mu}; \quad \sigma_h^2 = \left(\frac{1}{2\mu}\right)^2$$

each

$$x = y + y$$

$$B^*(s) = [H^*(s)]^2$$

$$H^*(s) = \frac{2\mu}{s + 2\mu}$$

$$B^*(s) = \left(\frac{2\mu}{s + 2\mu}\right)^2$$



Erlangian Distribution E_r (Cont...)

⇒ From transform table

$$X^*(s) = \left(\frac{\lambda}{s + \lambda} \right)^k \Rightarrow f_X(x) = \frac{\lambda(\lambda x)^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} e^{-\lambda x} \quad x \geq 0; k \geq 1$$

⇒ Therefore:

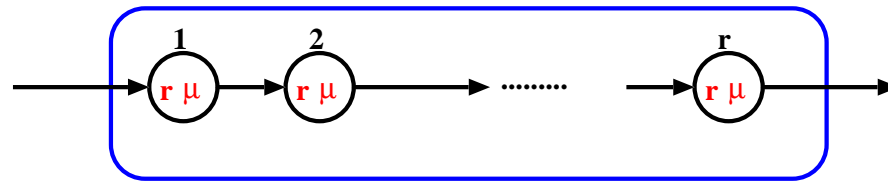
$$b(x) = 2\mu(2\mu x)e^{-2\mu x} \quad x \geq 0$$

$$E[x] = E[y] + E[y] = \frac{1}{2\mu} + \frac{1}{2\mu} = \frac{1}{\mu}$$

$$\sigma_b^2 = \sigma_n^2 + \sigma_n^2 = \frac{2}{(2\mu)^2} = \frac{1}{2\mu^2}$$

ind. r.v. **HW:** can verify through transform or density func.
 mean same as expo.; var. half of expo.

E_r : r-stage Erlangian distribution



$$h(y) = r\mu e^{-r\mu y} \quad y \geq 0$$

$$E[y] = \frac{1}{r\mu} \quad ; \quad \sigma_h^2 = \frac{1}{(r\mu)^2} \quad ; \quad E[x] = r \frac{1}{r\mu} = \frac{1}{\mu}$$

$$\sigma_x^2 = r \left(\frac{1}{r\mu} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{r\mu^2} \quad ; \quad C_b = \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} \quad \text{coeff. of var.}$$

$$B^*(s) = \left[\frac{r\mu}{s + r\mu} \right]^r \Rightarrow b(x) = \frac{r\mu (r\mu x)^{r-1}}{(r-1)!} e^{-r\mu x} \quad x \geq 0$$

Erlang distribution

$M/E_r/1$ System

$$a(t) = \lambda e^{-\lambda t}$$

$$b(x) = \frac{r\mu(r\mu x)^{r-1}}{(r-1)!} e^{-r\mu x} \quad x \geq 0$$

of stages to do for customer in service

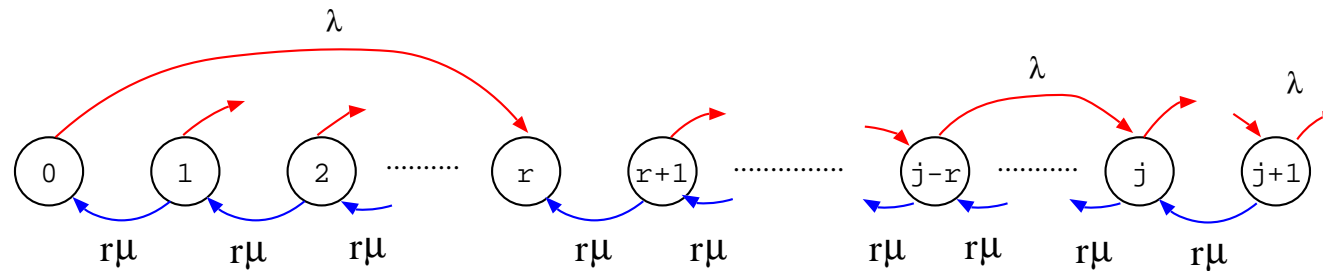
- ⇒ State description: $[k, s_i]$ transform to $[s]$ where s is the total number of stages yet to be completed by all customers.
- ⇒ If the system has k customers and when the i^{th} stage of service contains the customers.

$$j = \text{number of stages left in the total system}$$

$$= (k-1)r + (r-i+1) = rk - i + 1$$

- ⇒ Let P_j be the probability of j stages of work in the system. Since $j=rk-i+1$, we have:

$$p_k = \text{Prob}[k \text{ customers}] = \sum_{j=(k-1)r+1}^{rk} P_j \quad k = 1, 2, \dots$$

$M/E_r/1$ System (Cont...)

⇒ Let $P_j = 0$ for $j < 0$.

$$\lambda P_0 = r\mu P_1$$

$$(\lambda + r\mu)P_j = \lambda P_{j-r} + r\mu P_{j+1} \quad j = 1, 2, \dots$$

⇒ Define $P(z) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} P_j z^j$

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (\lambda + r\mu) P_j z^j = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \lambda P_{j-r} z^j + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} r\mu P_{j+1} z^j$$

$$(\lambda + r\mu) [P(z) - P_0] = \lambda z^r [P(z)] + \frac{r\mu}{z} [P(z) - P_0 - P_1 z]$$

M/E_r/1 System (Cont...)

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(z) &= \frac{P_0 \left[\lambda + r\mu - \left(\frac{r\mu}{z}\right) \right] + r\mu P_1}{\lambda + r\mu - \lambda z^r - \left(\frac{r\mu}{z}\right)} \\
 &= \frac{P_0 r\mu \left(1 - \frac{1}{z}\right)}{\lambda + r\mu - \lambda z^r - \left(\frac{r\mu}{z}\right)}
 \end{aligned}$$

⇒ Since $P(1)=1$, therefore, using L' Hospital rule, we have

$$1 = \frac{r\mu P_0}{r\mu - \lambda r}, \text{ therefore, } P_0 = \frac{r\mu - \lambda r}{r\mu} = 1 - \frac{\lambda}{\mu}$$

$p_0 = P_0 \Rightarrow$ so still same notion of util.

⇒ Define $\rho = \lambda/\mu$, we have

$$P(z) = \frac{r\mu(1 - \rho)(1 - z)}{r\mu + \lambda z^{r+1} - (\lambda + r\mu)z} \Rightarrow \text{try for } r=1 \text{ to match } \mathbf{M/M/1} \text{ solution}$$

M/E_r/1 System (Cont...)

- ⇒ For general r , look at denominator, there are $(r+1)$ zeros. Unity is one of them; we have

$$(1 - z)[r\mu - \lambda(z + z^2 + \dots + z^r)]$$

Therefore, we have r zeros which are z_1, z_2, \dots, z_r . We can arrange them to be

$$r\mu \left(1 - \frac{z}{z_1}\right) \left(1 - \frac{z}{z_2}\right) \dots \left(1 - \frac{z}{z_r}\right)$$

We have

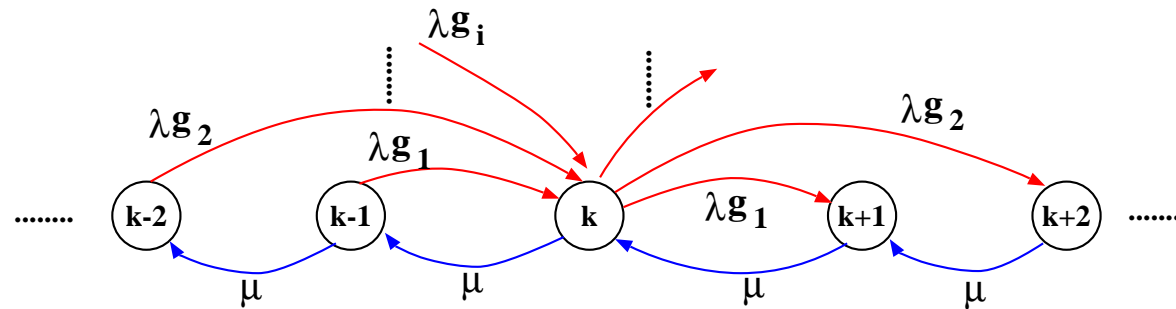
$$P(z) = (1 - \rho) \sum_{i=1}^r \frac{A_i}{1 - \frac{z}{z_i}}$$

Need to resolve this by partial fraction expansion.

- ⇒ For $E_r/M/1$ system, derive it at home.

Bulk Arrival Systems

Let g_i be the probability that the bulk size is i , for $i > 0$.



$$\lambda P_0 = \mu P_1$$

$$(\lambda + \mu) P_k = \mu P_{k+1} + \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \lambda g_{k-i} P_i \quad k \geq 1$$

$$(\lambda + \mu) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} P_k z^k = \mu \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} P_{k+1} z^k + \lambda \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} g_{k-i} P_i z^k$$

Bulk Arrival Systems (Cont...)

$$(\lambda + \mu) [P(z) - P_0] = \frac{\mu}{z} [P(z) - P_0 - P_1 z] + \lambda P(z) G(z)$$

$$P(z) = \frac{\mu P_0 (1 - z)}{\mu(1 - z) - \lambda z [1 - G(z)]}$$

transform for
distri. of bulk
sizes

$$G(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} g_k z^k$$

⇒ Using $P(1) = 1$ and L' Hospital rule

$$P(z) = \frac{\mu(1 - \rho)(1 - z)}{\mu(1 - z) - \lambda z [1 - G(z)]}$$

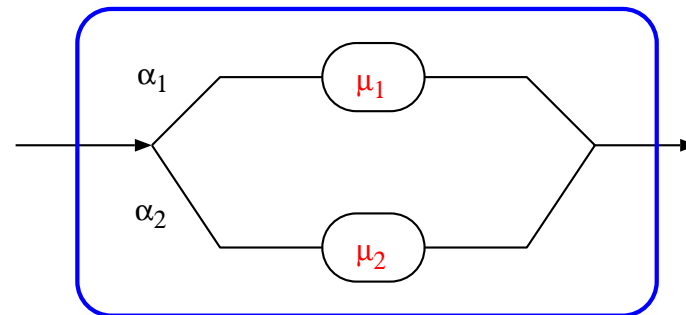
where

$$\rho = \frac{\lambda G'(1)}{\mu}$$

↖ avg. bulk size

⇒ For bulk service system, try it at home.

Parallel System



$$b(x) = \alpha_1 \mu_1 e^{-\mu_1 x} + \alpha_2 \mu_2 e^{-\mu_2 x} \quad x \geq 0$$

$$B^*(s) = \alpha_1 \left(\frac{\mu_1}{s + \mu_1} \right) + \alpha_2 \left(\frac{\mu_2}{s + \mu_2} \right)$$

⇒ In general, if we have R parallel stages (hyper-exponential):

$$B^*(s) = \sum_{i=1}^R \alpha_i \left(\frac{\mu_i}{s + \mu_i} \right)$$

$$b(x) = \sum_{i=1}^R \alpha_i \mu_i e^{-\mu_i x} \quad x \geq 0$$

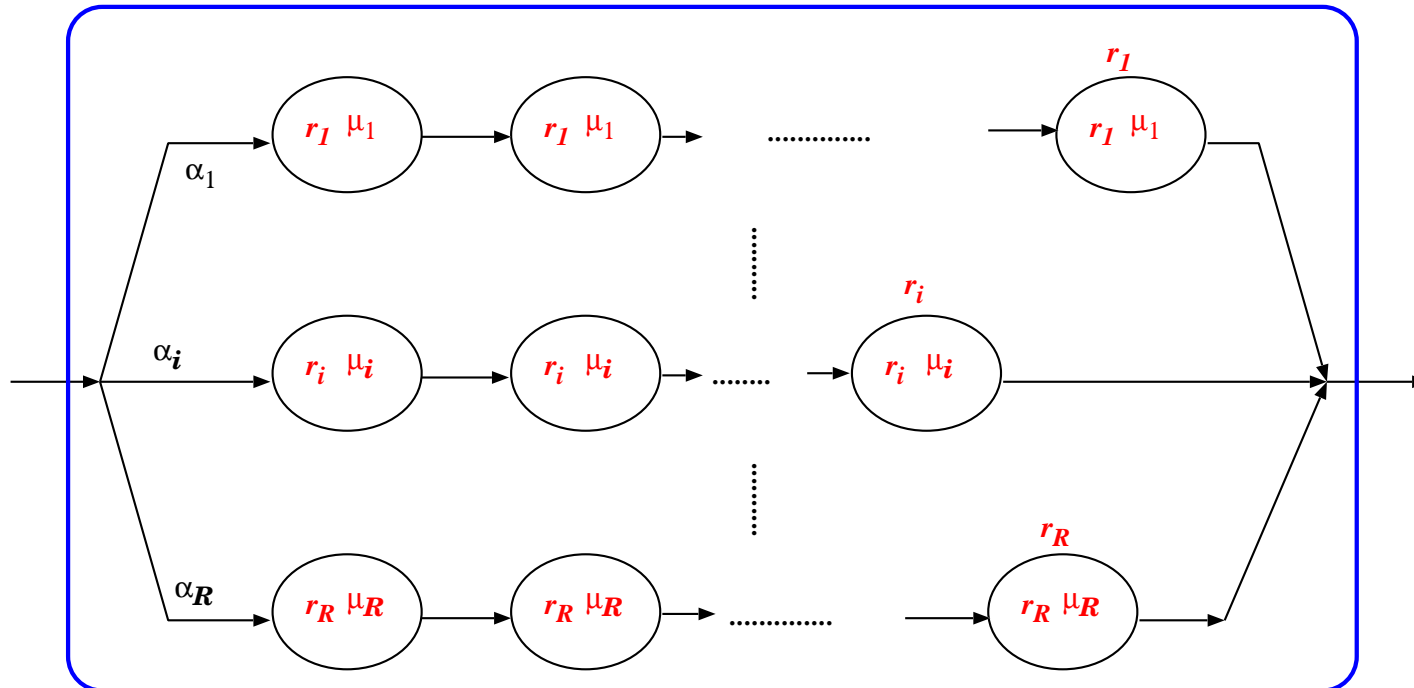
Parallel System (Cont...)

$$\bar{x} = \sum_{i=1}^R \alpha_i \left(\frac{1}{\mu_i} \right)$$

$$\bar{x}^2 = \sum_{i=1}^R \alpha_i \left(\frac{1}{\mu_i^2} \right)$$

$$C_b^2 = \frac{\sigma_b^2}{(\bar{x})^2} = \frac{\bar{x}^2 - (\bar{x})^2}{(\bar{x})^2} \Rightarrow \boxed{C_b^2 \geq 1}$$

Series and Parallel System



$$b(x) = \sum_{i=1}^R \alpha_i \frac{r_i \mu_i (r_i \mu_i x)^{r_i - 1}}{(r_i - 1)!} e^{-r_i \mu_i x} \quad x \geq 0$$

$$B^*(s) = \sum_{i=1}^R \alpha_i \left(\frac{r_i \mu_i}{s + r_i \mu_i} \right)^{r_i}$$

Series and Parallel System (Cont...)

⇒ **Generalization of series-parallel server**

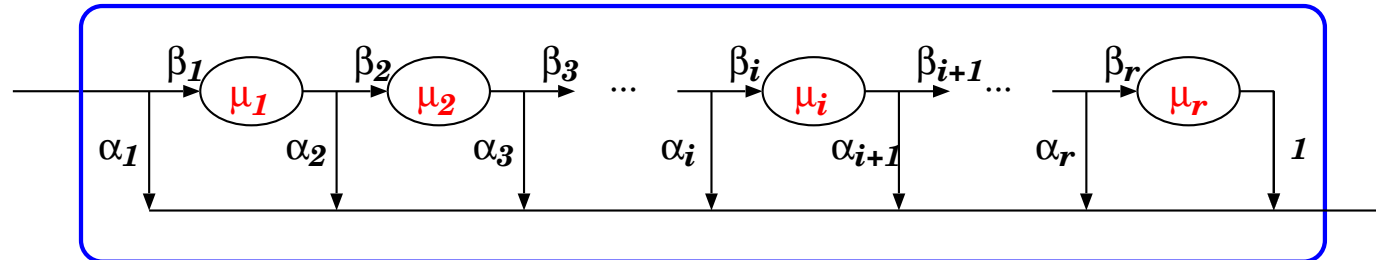
- remove restriction that each stage within the same branch has same service rate

⇒ μ_{ij} ⇒ **service rate of i^{th} branch, j^{th} stage**

$$\Rightarrow B^*(s) = \sum_{j=1}^R \alpha_j \prod_{i=1}^{r_j} \left(\frac{\mu_{ij}}{s + \mu_{ij}} \right)$$

Series and Parallel System (Cont...)

⇒ Another way to create series-parallel effect



- Before entering i^{th} stage, independent choice
 - ◆ with prob. β_i proceed to i^{th} expo. service stage
 - ◆ with prob. α_i depart
 - $\Rightarrow \beta_i + \alpha_i = 1 \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, r$
 - ◆ after r^{th} stage depart with prob. 1

$$\Rightarrow B^*(s) = \alpha_1 + \sum_{i=1}^r \beta_1 \beta_2 \cdots \beta_i \alpha_{i+1} \prod_{j=1}^i \left(\frac{\mu_j}{s + \mu_j} \right) \text{ where } \alpha_{r+1} = 1$$

(Cox showed that more complex transitions in above do not give more general service distributions.)

(If permit complex values for $r_i \mu_i$, then can synthesize any rational func. of s_i , can approx. non-rat. func. can be approx. arb. close.)