

ECS 455: Quiz 4 Solution

Instructions

1. Separate into groups of no more than three persons.
2. Only one submission is needed for each group. Late submission will not be accepted.
3. **Write down all the steps** that you have done to obtain your answers. You may not get full credit even when your answer is correct without showing how you get your answer.
4. **Do not panic.**

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Consider a system which has 2 channels. We would like to find the blocking probability via the Markov chain method. For each of the following models, **draw the Markov chain** via discrete time approximation. Don't forget to indicate the transition probabilities on the arrows. Assume that the duration of each time slot is 1 millisecond. Then, use global balance equations to find (1) the **steady-state probabilities** and then (2) the long-term **call blocking probability**.

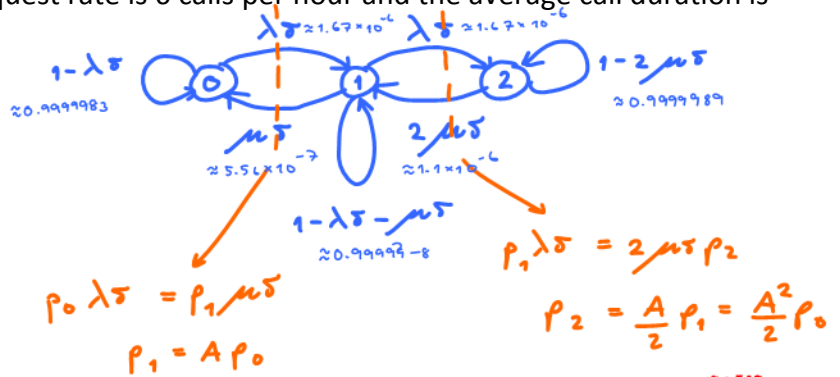
1. **Erlang B** model: Assume that the total call request rate is 6 calls per hour and the average call duration is 30 mins.

$$\lambda = 6 \frac{\text{calls}}{\text{hr}} = \frac{6}{60} \frac{\text{calls}}{\text{min}} = \frac{6}{3600} \frac{\text{calls}}{\text{sec}}$$

$$\lambda \delta = \frac{6}{3600} \times 10^{-3} = \frac{1}{6} \times 10^{-5} \approx 1.67 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\mu \delta = \frac{1}{30 \times 60} \times 10^{-3} = \frac{1}{18} \times 10^{-5} \approx 5.56 \times 10^{-7}$$

$$A = \frac{\lambda}{\mu} = \lambda \times \frac{1}{\mu} = \frac{6}{60} \times 30 = 3 \text{ Erlangs}$$



$$p_0 + p_1 + p_2 = 1 \Rightarrow p_0 = \frac{1}{1 + A + \frac{A^2}{2}} = \frac{1}{1 + 3 + \frac{3^2}{2}} = \frac{2}{17} \Rightarrow p_1 = 3 \times \frac{2}{17} = \frac{6}{17}, p_2 = \frac{3}{2} \times \frac{6}{17} = \frac{9}{17}$$

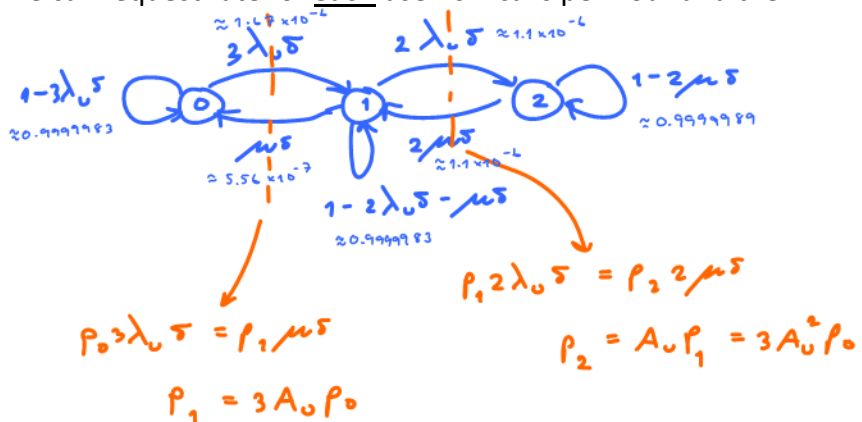
2. **Engset** model: Assume that there are 3 users. The call request rate for each user is 2 calls per hour and the average call duration is 30 mins.

$$\lambda_u = 2 \frac{\text{calls}}{\text{hr}} \leftarrow \text{observe that this is } \frac{\lambda}{3}$$

$$\lambda_u \delta = \frac{\lambda}{3} \delta = \frac{1}{3} \times 10^{-5} \approx 5.56 \times 10^{-7}$$

$$\mu \delta = \frac{1}{18} \times 10^{-5} \approx 5.56 \times 10^{-7} \leftarrow \text{same as in Q1.}$$

$$A_u = \frac{\lambda_u}{\mu} = \frac{\lambda}{3\mu} = \frac{A}{3} = \frac{3}{3} = 1 \text{ Erlang.}$$



$$p_0 + p_1 + p_2 = 1 \Rightarrow p_0 = \frac{1}{1 + 3A_u + 3A_u^2} = \frac{1}{7} \approx 0.143$$

$$p_1 = 3A_u p_0 = 3p_0 = \frac{3}{7} \approx 0.429$$

$$p_2 = 3A_u^2 p_0 = 3p_0 = \frac{3}{7} \approx 0.429$$

$$p_b = \frac{\frac{3}{7} \times \lambda_u \delta}{\frac{1}{7} \times 3\lambda_u \delta + \frac{3}{7} \times 2\lambda_u \delta + \frac{3}{7} \times \lambda_u \delta} = \frac{3}{3+6+3} = \frac{1}{4} \approx 0.25$$