

ECE560 Final Exam Sample Questions (Spring 2024)

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1. Lecture #13, Hands-on problems on Slides #5 & #16 (M/M/1/N)
2. **(L#13 Extra-Credit Question; M/M/1/N with defect)** Consider a computer system with one processor and a queue with 1 buffer. The job requests arrive to the processor at the rate of 16 requests per second with Poisson pattern. The time to service a job request at the processor is exponentially distributed with a mean of 50 milliseconds. Assume a job request in the queue and not being serviced can depart without service; this behavior is called “defect”. Assume the defect process is also exponential with the constant rate of $\delta = 2$ requests/second.
 - a) Draw the complete state-transition diagram.
 - b) What is the probability of the entire system is idle?
 - c) What is the effective arrival rate of job requests into the system?
 - d) What is the average number of job requests in the system?
 - e) What is the average response time for a job?
 - f) What is the average waiting time in the queue for a job?

Similar questions: HW#5, Problem#1

3. Lecture #13, Hands-on problems on Slide #24 (M/M/c)

Similar questions: HW#5, Problem#2

4. **(L#14 hands-on problem on Slide #24)** Considering a computer subsystem that can be modeled as the GI/M/1 queueing system. Specifically, the service time is exponentially distributed with a constant rate of 60 jobs per second. The Laplace-Stieltjes transform of the job inter-arrival time τ is assumed to be $A^*[\theta] = \frac{\theta + \lambda}{3\lambda}$ with $\lambda = 30$.
 - a) What is the probability that an arriving job finds the system is busy?
 - b) What is the probability that an arriving job finds 3 customers in the system?
 - c) What is the average number of jobs in the system queue?
 - d) What is the average time a job spends in the system?
 - e) What is the probability that the system is busy?
 - f) What is the probability that there are 3 jobs in the system?

Similar questions: HW#6, Problem#1

5. Consider the following closed queuing network with 2 nodes:



Assume

- Number of customers in the system is $N=3$
- The service times are exponentially distributed with $\mu_1 = 3$ jobs/sec, $\mu_2 = 2$ jobs/sec
- Scheduling disciplines are FCFS for both nodes
- Transition probabilities are $p_{12} = 1$, $p_{21} = 1$

Answer the following questions:

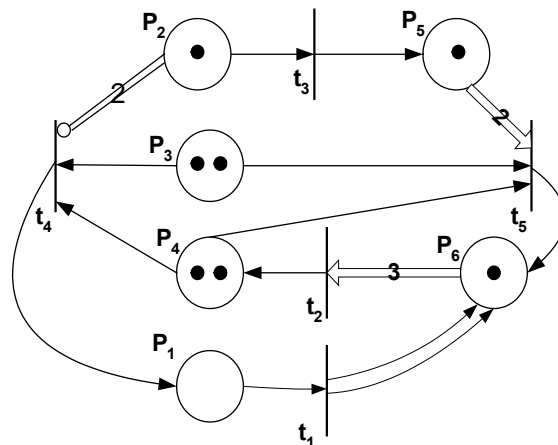
- Draw the state-transition diagram
- Find the local balance equation(s) for each state?
- Find the joint steady-state probabilities for all states?
- Use $\pi_i(n)$ to denote the marginal steady-state probability that there are n jobs in node i . Find the following marginal steady-state probabilities: $\pi_1(0)$, $\pi_1(3)$, $\pi_2(1)$, $\pi_2(4)$

Similar questions: Lecture #15 Slide #44

6. Lecture #15, Hands-on problems on Slides #12, 15, 24, 28&29

Another sample question on open QNs: HW#6, Problem#3

7. In a Petri net model, an inhibitor arc from place P to transition t modifies the enabling rule in the sense that the transition can fire only if place P does not contain tokens. Multiple (for example n) inhibitor arcs between an input place and a transition implies inhibition threshold, meaning at least n tokens are needed to inhibit transition firing; or when the place has less than n tokens, the transition can be enabled. For the Petri net below,



- Specify the input function \mathbf{I} and the output function \mathbf{O} , ignoring the inhibitor arc between P_2 and t_4 , which is denoted by inhibitor function H : $H(t_4)=\{P_2, P_2\}$.
- What is the current marking M of the Petri net?
- Which transition(s) are enabled in the current marking M ? What would the state of the Petri net be after firing?
- Modify the Petri net by replacing the inhibitor arc between P_2 and t_4 with a directed arc of multiplicity of 1 from P_2 to t_1 . The following questions refer to the Petri net after the above modification.
 - Specify the input matrix \mathbf{D}^- , the output matrix \mathbf{D}^+ , and the incidence matrix \mathbf{D} for the *modified* Petri net
 - Is this *modified* Petri net conservative? Why or why not? Explain using **Matrix analysis** method