

Question 6

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$$a) \sum_{k=1}^n p_k w_k^Q = \frac{R P}{1 - P} = \frac{R \sum_{k=1}^n p_k}{1 - \sum_{k=1}^n p_k} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

We will use induction to prove this.

For $n=1$,

$$w_1^Q = \frac{R}{1 - p_1} \Rightarrow p_1 w_1^Q = \frac{R p_1}{1 - p_1}$$

Thus the identity holds for $n=1$

Assuming (1) holds for n , we will show that it holds for $n+1$.

For priority class $n+1$,

$$w_{n+1}^Q = \frac{R}{(1 - \sum_{k=1}^n p_k) (1 - \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} p_k)} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} p_k W_k^k = \sum_{k=1}^n p_k W_k^k + p_{n+1} \cdot W_{n+1}$$

$$= \frac{R \sum_{k=1}^n p_k}{1 - \sum_{k=1}^n p_k} + \frac{R \cdot p_{n+1}}{(1 - \sum_{k=1}^n p_k) (1 - \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} p_k)} \quad (\text{from (2)})$$

$$= \frac{R}{1 - \sum_{k=1}^n p_k} \left[\sum_{k=1}^n p_k + \frac{p_{n+1}}{1 - \sum_{k=1}^n p_k - p_{n+1}} \right]$$

$$= \frac{R}{\cancel{(1 - \sum_{k=1}^n p_k)}} \left[\frac{(1 - \sum_{k=1}^n p_k) (\sum_{k=1}^n p_k + p_{n+1})}{1 - \sum_{k=1}^n p_k - p_{n+1}} \right]$$

$$= \frac{R \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} p_k}{1 - \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} p_k}$$

∴ Eq 1 holds.

(2)

b) let the classes be labelled such that

$$\frac{\bar{x}_1}{c_1} \leq \frac{\bar{x}_2}{c_2} \leq \dots \leq \frac{\bar{x}_n}{c_n}$$

Priorities are assigned according to the class labels, with class 1 - highest priority

$$\begin{aligned} \text{let } C &= \sum_{k=1}^n c_k N_k^k = \sum_{k=1}^n c_k \lambda_k w_k^k \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{c_k}{\bar{x}_k} p_k w_k^k \end{aligned}$$

we have $w_1 \leq w_2 \leq \dots \leq w_n$

we will show that the cost is minimized by the above ordering by showing that exchanging the priority of two neighbouring classes i & $j = i+1$ will result in a higher cost $c' \geq c$

For any priority class m ,

$$w_{\alpha}^m = \frac{R}{(1 - \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} p_k) (1 - \sum_{k=1}^m p_k)}$$

Consider the classes i & $j = i+1$. After exchanging their priorities, let the resulting waiting times be represented by \overline{w}_{α}^m .

For $m < i$, w_{α}^m does not depend on p_i or p_j .

For $m > j$, w_{α}^m depends on the sum $p_i + p_j$.

\therefore The exchange of priorities of i & j does not affect the waiting time of the remaining classes.

$$w_{\alpha}^m = \overline{w}_{\alpha}^m, \quad m \neq i, j$$

∴ Average number in system (3)

$$= 0 \cdot P_0 + 1 \cdot P_1 = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \mu}$$

Question 2

a) $w_{\text{or}}^{(k)}$ is same as the average waiting time in queue of an M/M/1 system with arrival rate $(\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_k)$ because of 2 reasons.

1) The waiting time of classes 1, ..., k is not influenced by the presence of classes (k+1) ... n.

2) Since all priority classes have the same service time distribution, interchanging of order of service does not change average waiting time.

b) Avg. # of in queue of class k

$$= \text{Avg \# in queue of classes 1 to k}$$

$$- \text{Avg \# in queues of classes 1 to k-1}$$

From Little's theorem,

$$\lambda_k \cdot w_{\text{or}}^{(k)} = \left[w_{\text{or}}^{(k)} \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i - w_{\text{or}}^{(k-1)} \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \lambda_i \right]$$

$$k = 2, 3, \dots, n$$

$$w_1 = w_{\text{or}}^{(1)} \quad , \quad k = 1$$

Question 3:

Let n_i be the # of customers left behind in the system when the i^{th} customer departs.

Let a_{i+1} be the number of arrivals in the $(i+1)^{th}$ service time.

Let j be the # of customers waiting for service when a busy period begins, $j \geq 1$

& $P_j = \Pr\{j \text{ customers starting the busy period}\}$

$$n_{i+1} = a_{i+1} + j - 1 \quad \text{for } n_i = 0$$

$$= n_i + a_{i+1} - 1 \quad \text{for } n_i \geq 1$$

Above equations can also be written as $n_{i+1} = n_i + a_{i+1} - 1 + j [1 - V(n_i)]$ for $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Since a_{i+1} is independent of n_i or its previous state & j (which is a function of # of arrivals during the vacation interval) is also independent of n_i & its previous state. we have an imbedded Markov chain