

Transient Analysis of K-node Tandem Queuing Model with Load Dependent Service Rates

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Abstract

This paper deals with the development and analysis of K-node series and parallel queueing model with load dependent service rates. Here it is assumed that the customers arrive to the initial queue and waiting line for service. After completing the service at first service station they may join one of the (K-1) queues which are parallel and connected to first queue in series. After getting service from the service station they leave the system. Here it is assumed that the service rates in each service station are dependent on number of customers in the queue connected to it. The arrival and service completions in each queue are assumed to follow Poisson processes. Using difference-differential equations the joint probability function of number of customers in each queue are derived. The system performance measures such as average number of customers in each queue, throughput of each service station, the probability of idleness of each server, the waiting time of customer in each queue are derived explicitly. The sensitivity of the model with respect to parameters are analysed through numerical illustration. It is observed that the state dependent service rates has significant influence on performance measures. This model also includes the earlier models as particular cases for specific values of the parameters. This model is useful in analysing the communication networks, transportation systems, production processes and cargo handling.

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1. Introduction

A Queue is a waiting line of units demanding service at a server facility. Erlang [1] pioneered the mathematical modelling of queueing system. There after several models have been developed and analysed in order to evaluate the performance of several systems for control and monitoring. Queueing models formulate a prerequisite for design and development of several systems arising at places like Communication networks, ATM scheduling, Transportation systems, Production processes etc., (Boxima O.J., [2], Bunday.B.D., [3], SrinivasaRao et al., [4], [5], [6], Charan Jeet Singh et al., [7], Ramasundari et al.[8]).

Recently much work has been reported regarding Tandem Queueing models. In Tandem Queueing models the output of one Queue formulate the input of the other. Jackson Paul [9], Srinivasa Rao et al., [7] [5] [10], Che Soong Kim et al. [11], Raghavendran et al. [12] and others have developed various tandem Queueing models with the assumption that arrivals and services are independent. But in practical situations the service time is to adjusted depending upon the number of customers in the Queue. This type of Queueing models are called load dependent Queueing models. Srinivasa Rao et al., [4], [5], Varma et al., [13], Padmavathi et al., [14], Nageswara Rao et al., [15] Trinadha Rao et al., [16], Suhasini et al., [17], [18], [19], Rajasekhar Reddy et al. [20] have developed Queueing models with the assumption that the service rates are dependent on the number of customers in

the Queue. In all these papers they assumed that the nodes are connected in tandem and single.

But in several practical situations after getting service from the first Queue the customer may join one of the several Queues connected to it for service. For example in Communication networks after getting service from the first transmitter the data/voice packets are to be routed to one of the several buffers connected in parallel for forward transmission. This type of scenario is also visible in Production processes such as Glass manufacturing, where the raw material is converted as liquid glass. It is then transferred to several production lines which are parallel for making different types of glass ware. This type of Queueing models may be called as 2-node series and K parallel Queueing systems, referred as forked Queueing models.

Little work has been reported regarding 2-node series and K parallel Queueing models which are useful for analysing several systems more close to the reality. Hence in this article we develop and analyse a forked Queueing model in which 2 nodes are in series and K Queues are in parallel. Here it is assumed that the arrival processes and service processes follow Poisson processes. It is further assumed that the service rate of each service station depends on the number of customers in the Queue connected to it. Using the difference-differential equations the joint probability generating function of the number of customers in each Queue is derived. The performance of the model is analysed by deriving explicit expressions for the system characteristics such as average number of customers in the Queue, Probability of idleness of each

service station, Throughput of the nodes, Average waiting time customers in each Queue, Utilisation of each server etc., The sensitivity analysis of the model is carried with a numerical illustration

2. Queueing Model with Load Dependent Service Rates

In this section we consider queueing model with K buffers B_1, B_2, \dots, B_k and K servers S_1, S_2, \dots, S_k connected as forked network, the capacity of buffers being infinite. we assume that the customers after getting service through first server may join any of the servers S_2, S_3, \dots, S_k which are parallel and connected to first server in tandem i.e., the customers after getting served at S_1 may join second buffer with probability θ_1 or third buffer with probability θ_2 or K^{th} buffer with probability θ_{k-1} . Number of customers arriving at first buffer follows Poisson process with arrival rate λ (parameter). Similarly number of customers served in servers follows Poisson process with parameters $\mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3 \dots, \mu_k$

Then difference differential equations governing the system are

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial P}{\partial t}(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k; t) = & -[\lambda + \sum_{i=1}^k n_i \mu_i] P(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k; t) \\ & + (n_1 + 1) \mu_1 [\theta_1 P(n_1 + 1, n_2 - 1, n_3, \dots, n_k; t) + \dots \\ & \quad + \theta_{k-1} P(n_1 + 1, n_2, \dots, n_k - 1; t)] \\ & + (n_2 + 1) \mu_2 P(n_1, n_2 + 1, n_3, \dots, n_k; t) + \dots \\ & + (n_k + 1) \mu_k P(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k + 1; t) + \lambda P(n_1 - 1, n_2, \dots, n_k, t) \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial P}{\partial t}(0, n_2, \dots, n_k; t) = & -[\sum_{i=2}^k n_i \mu_i] P(0, n_2, \dots, n_k, t) \\ & + \mu_1 [\theta_1 P(1, n_2 - 1, n_3, \dots, n_k; t) + \dots \\ & \quad + \theta_{k-1} P(1, n_2, n_3, \dots, n_k - 1; t)] \\ & + (n_2 + 1) \mu_2 P(0, n_2 + 1, n_3, \dots, n_k; t) + \dots \\ & + (n_k + 1) \mu_k P(0, n_2, n_3, \dots, n_k + 1; t) \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial P}{\partial t}(n_1, n_2, \dots, 0; t) = & -[\lambda + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} n_i \mu_i] P(n_1, n_2, \dots, 0, t) \\ & + (n_1 + 1) \mu_1 [\theta_1 P(n_1 + 1, n_2 - 1, n_3, \dots, 0; t) + \dots \\ & \quad + \theta_{k-2} P(n_1 + 1, n_2, \dots, n_{k-1} - 1, 0; t)] \\ & + (n_2 + 1) \mu_2 P(n_1, n_2 + 1, n_3, \dots, 0; t) \\ & + (n_3 + 1) \mu_3 P(n_1, n_2, n_3 + 1, \dots, 0; t) + \dots + \\ & (n_k + 1) \mu_k P(n_1, n_2, \dots, 1; t) + \lambda P(n_1 - 1, n_2, \dots, 0, t) \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial P}{\partial t}(0, 0, \dots, n_k; t) = & -[\lambda + \sum_{i=3}^k n_i \mu_i] P(0, 0, \dots, n_k, t) \\ & + \mu_1 [\theta_2 P(1, 0, n_3 - 1, \dots, n_k; t) + \dots \\ & \quad + \theta_{k-1} P(1, 0, \dots, n_k - 1; t)] \\ & + \mu_2 P(0, 1, n_3, \dots, n_k; t) + \dots \\ & + (n_k + 1) \mu_k P(0, 0, n_3, \dots, n_k + 1; t) \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial t}(n_1, n_2, \dots, 0, 0; t) = -[\lambda + \sum_{i=1}^{k-2} n_i \mu_i] P(n_1, n_2, \dots, 0, 0; t)$$

Let

$P(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k; t) = \sum_{n_1=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n_2=0}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{n_k=0}^{\infty} p(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k; t) s_1^{n_1} s_2^{n_2} \dots s_k^{n_k}$ be probability generating function of $p(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k; t)$. Multiplying equations (1)-(8) with probability generating function and summing over n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k from 0 to ∞ we get Joint Probability generating function of number of customers in first, second, ..., k^{th} buffers respectively at any time t as

$$\begin{aligned} P(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k; t) = & \exp \left[\lambda \left\{ \frac{1}{\mu_1} (n_1 - 1) (1 - e^{-\mu_1 t}) + \frac{\theta_1}{\mu_2} (n_2 - 1) (1 - e^{-\mu_2 t}) + \dots \right. \right. \\ & \left. \left. + \frac{\theta_k}{\mu_k} (n_k - 1) (1 - e^{-\mu_k t}) + \frac{\theta_1}{(\mu_2 - \mu_1)} (n_2 - 1) + \dots + \frac{\theta_{k-1}}{(\mu_k - \mu_1)} (n_k - 1) (e^{-\mu_k t} - e^{-\mu_1 t}) \right\} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

respectively. It is also assumed that service rate in each server is linearly dependent on the content of buffer connected to it. The queue discipline is first come first serve (FCFS)

The schematic diagram representing the queueing model is shown in fig.1

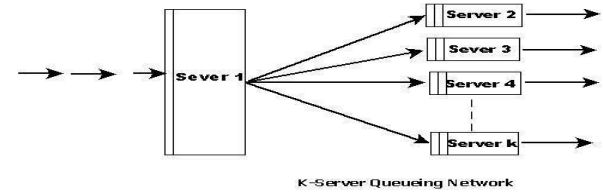


Figure 1: K-Server Queueing Network

Let $P(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k; t)$ be the probability that there are n_1 customers in first buffer, n_2 customers in second buffer and n_k customers in k^{th} buffer.

$$\begin{aligned} & + (n_1 + 1) \mu_1 [\theta_1 P(n_1 + 1, n_2 - 1, \dots, n_{k-2}, 0, 0; t) + \dots \\ & \quad + \theta_{k-3} P(n_1 + 1, n_2, \dots, n_{k-2} - 1, 0, 0; t)] \\ & (n_2 + 1) \mu_2 P(n_1, n_2 + 1, n_3, \dots, n_{k-2}, 0, 0; t) + \dots \\ & + (n_{k-2} + 1) \mu_k P(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{k-2} + 1, 0, 0; t) \\ & + \lambda P(n_1 - 1, n_2, \dots, n_{k-2}, 0, 0; t) \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial P}{\partial t}(0, 0, 0, n_4, \dots, n_k; t) = & -[\lambda + \sum_{i=4}^k n_i \mu_i] P(0, 0, 0, n_4, \dots, n_k, t) \\ & + \mu_1 [\theta_3 P(1, 0, 0, n_4 - 1, n_3, \dots, n_k; t) + \dots \\ & \quad + \theta_{k-1} P(1, 0, 0, n_4, \dots, n_k - 1; t)] \\ & + \mu_2 P(0, 1, 0, n_4, \dots, n_k; t) + \dots \\ & + (n_k + 1) \mu_k P(0, 0, 0, n_4, \dots, n_k + 1; t) \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial P}{\partial t}(n_1, \dots, n_{k-3}, 0, 0, 0; t) = & -[\lambda + \sum_{i=1}^{k-3} n_i \mu_i] P(n_1, \dots, n_{k-3}, 0, 0, 0; t) + (n_1 + 1) \mu_1 [\theta_1 P(n_1 + 1, n_2 - 1, \dots, n_{k-3}, 0, 0, 0; t) + \dots \\ & + \theta_{k-4} P(n_1 + 1, n_2, \dots, n_{k-3} - 1, 0, 0, 0; t)] + \\ & (n_2 + 1) \mu_2 P(n_1, n_2 + 1, n_3, \dots, n_{k-3}, 0, 0, 0; t) + \dots \\ & + \mu_k P(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{k-3}, 0, 0, n_k + 1; t) \\ & + \lambda P(n_1 - 1, n_2, \dots, n_{k-3}, 0, 0, 0; t) \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial P}{\partial t}(0, 0, \dots, 0; t) = & -\lambda P(0, 0, \dots, 0; t) + \mu_2 P(0, 1, 0, \dots, 0; t) + \\ & \mu_3 P(0, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0; t) + \dots + \mu_k P(0, 0, \dots, 0, 1; t) \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

3. Characteristics of the Model

Putting $n_1 = 0, n_2 = 0, \dots, n_k = 0$ in (9) we get

$$\begin{aligned} P(0, 0, 0, \dots, 0; t) = & \exp \left[-\lambda \left\{ \frac{1}{\mu_1} (1 - e^{-\mu_1 t}) + \frac{\theta_1}{\mu_2} (1 - e^{-\mu_2 t}) + \dots \right. \right. \\ & \left. \left. + \frac{\theta_k}{\mu_k} (1 - e^{-\mu_k t}) \frac{\theta_1}{(\mu_2 - \mu_1)} + (e^{-\mu_2 t} - e^{-\mu_1 t}) + \dots \right. \right. \\ & \left. \left. + \frac{\theta_2}{(\mu_3 - \mu_1)} (e^{-\mu_3 t} - e^{-\mu_1 t}) + \frac{\theta_{k-1}}{(\mu_k - \mu_1)} (e^{-\mu_k t} - e^{-\mu_1 t}) \right\} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Which gives the probability that the queue is empty at any time t .

3.1 Performance Analysis of First Buffer

Putting $n_2 = 1, n_3 = 1, \dots, n_k = 1$ in (9) we get probability generating function of first buffer size distribution as $P(n_1; t) = \exp\left[\lambda\left\{\frac{1}{\mu_1}(n_1 - 1)(1 - e^{-\mu_1 t})\right\}\right]$

Mean number of customers in first buffer is

$$E(N_1) = L_1(t) = \frac{\lambda}{\mu_1}(1 - e^{-\mu_1 t})$$

Variation in number of customers in first buffer is

$$\text{Var}(N_1) = \frac{\lambda}{\mu_1}(1 - e^{-\mu_1 t})$$

Putting $n_1 = 0$ in (11) we get the probability that the first buffer is empty as

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Throughput of first server is } Thp_1(t) &= \mu_1 \cdot U_1 \\ &= \mu_1 \left[1 - \exp\left\{\frac{-\lambda}{\mu_1}(1 - e^{-\mu_1 t})\right\}\right] \end{aligned}$$

Average waiting time of customers in first buffer (delay in first server) is $W_1(t) = \frac{L_1(t)}{Thp_1(t)} = \frac{\frac{\lambda}{\mu_1}(1 - e^{-\mu_1 t})}{\mu_1[1 - \exp\left\{\frac{-\lambda}{\mu_1}(1 - e^{-\mu_1 t})\right\}]}$

3.2 Performance Analysis of i^{th} Buffer for $i=2,3,\dots,k$

Putting $n_1 = 1, n_2 = 1, n_3 = 1, \dots, n_{k-1} = 1$ in (9) we get probability generating function of i^{th} buffer size distribution as

$$\begin{aligned} P(n_i; t) &= \exp\left[\lambda\left\{\frac{\theta_{i-1}}{\mu_i}(n_i - 1)(1 - e^{-\mu_i t}) + \frac{\theta_{i-1}}{(\mu_i - \mu_1)}(n_i - 1)(e^{-\mu_i t} - e^{-\mu_1 t})\right\}\right] \\ P(0, \dots, i; t) &= \exp\left[\frac{-\lambda}{\mu_1}(1 - e^{-\mu_1 t})\right] \end{aligned}$$

Utilization of first server is $U_1 = 1 - P(0, \dots, i; t)$

4. Numerical Illustration

The transient behaviour of the model is studied by computing the performance measures with the following set of values for the system parameters.

$$\begin{aligned} t &= 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5; \lambda = 10, 11, 12, 13, 14; \mu_i \\ &= 10, 11, 12, 13, 14; i = 1, 2, 3, 4; \theta_j \\ &= 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5; j = 1, 2 \end{aligned}$$

Each of the parameters $t, \lambda, \mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3, \mu_4, \theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3$ are varied one at a time keeping all other fixed, the mean number of customers in each buffer L_1, L_2, L_3, L_4 is calculated along with mean number of customers $L(t)$ in the entire system and the calculations are recorded in Table1. The corresponding probability for emptiness of each server and also the utilization of servers are calculated for each value of parameters and tabulated in Table2. The throughputs of four servers $Thp_1, Thp_2, Thp_3, Thp_4$ along with mean waiting times of customers in four buffers W_1, W_2, W_3, W_4 are calculated and tabulated in Table3.

From Table1, we observe that as time t increases from 0.1 to 0.5 there is increase in mean number of customers in each buffer. The same phenomenon can be observed with mean number of customers in the entire system. Thus if service rate μ_1 is increased keeping μ_2, μ_3, μ_4 unchanged the corresponding buffer at first server $L_1(t)$ gets decreased. Correspondingly the pressure on

Mean number of customers in i^{th} buffer is $E(N_i) = L_i(t)$

$$= \left[\lambda\theta_{i-1}\left\{\frac{1}{\mu_i}(1 - e^{-\mu_i t}) + \frac{1}{(\mu_i - \mu_1)}(e^{-\mu_i t} - e^{-\mu_1 t})\right\}\right]$$

Variation in number of customers in i^{th} buffer is $\text{Var}(N_i)$

$$= \left[\lambda\theta_{i-1}\left\{\frac{1}{\mu_i}(1 - e^{-\mu_i t}) + \frac{1}{(\mu_i - \mu_1)}(e^{-\mu_i t} - e^{-\mu_1 t})\right\}\right]$$

Putting $n_i = 0$ in (17) we get the probability that the i^{th} buffer is empty as $P(\dots, 0; t) = \exp$

$$\left[(-\lambda\theta_{i-1})\left\{\frac{1}{\mu_i}(1 - e^{-\mu_i t}) + \frac{1}{(\mu_i - \mu_1)}(e^{-\mu_i t} - e^{-\mu_1 t})\right\}\right]$$

Utilization of i^{th} server is

$$U_i(t) = 1 - P(\dots, 0; t) = 1 - \exp\left[(-\lambda\theta_i)\left\{\frac{1}{\mu_i}(1 - e^{-\mu_i t}) + \frac{1}{(\mu_i - \mu_1)}(e^{-\mu_i t} - e^{-\mu_1 t})\right\}\right]$$

Throughput of i^{th} server is $Thp_i(t) = \mu_i \cdot U_i = \mu_i \cdot \left[1 - \exp\left[(-\lambda\theta_{i-1})\left\{\frac{1}{\mu_i}(1 - e^{-\mu_i t}) + \frac{1}{(\mu_i - \mu_1)}(e^{-\mu_i t} - e^{-\mu_1 t})\right\}\right]\right]$

Average waiting time of customers in i^{th} buffer (average delay in i^{th} server) is

$$\begin{aligned} W_i(t) &= \frac{L_i(t)}{Thp_i(t)} \\ &= \frac{\left[\lambda\theta_{i-1}\left\{\frac{1}{\mu_i}(1 - e^{-\mu_i t}) + \frac{1}{(\mu_i - \mu_1)}(e^{-\mu_i t} - e^{-\mu_1 t})\right\}\right]}{\mu_i \left[1 - \exp\left[(-\lambda\theta_{i-1})\left\{\frac{1}{\mu_i}(1 - e^{-\mu_i t}) + \frac{1}{(\mu_i - \mu_1)}(e^{-\mu_i t} - e^{-\mu_1 t})\right\}\right]\right]} \\ &= 1 - \exp\left[\frac{-\lambda}{\mu_1}(1 - e^{-\mu_1 t})\right] \end{aligned}$$

entire system $L(t)$ also gets decreased. Thus the improvement in performance of one server improves the performance of entire system. Similarly when μ_2 is increased $L_2(t)$ decreases, μ_3 is increased $L_3(t)$ decreases etc., On the same lines when the probability θ_1 (or θ_2) that the customers from first server join second (or third server) increases the buffer at second server $L_2(t)$ (or at third server $L_3(t)$) is increasing correspondingly.

Table 2 indicates that with respect to time the probability of emptiness has shown sudden decrease initially ($t=0.1$ only) and decreasing normally thereafter (for $t=0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5$). Similarly with increase in mean arrival rate λ the probability of emptiness at each server is decreasing while the utilization of servers U_1, U_2, U_3, U_4 is increasing. This clearly indicates that the system is performing according to the requirement. As the number of customers served at each server increases ($\mu_1 = 10$ to 14) the system tends towards rest. Thus the probability of emptiness increases while utilization of servers decreases as is expected.

The probability of emptiness decreases as the probability of customers joining a particular server while its utilization gets increased. Thus as θ_1 increases from 0.1 to 0.5 system emptiness increases from 0.1480 to 0.3479. This has an impact on the fourth server by increasing the probability of emptiness at fourth server from 0.8233 to 0.9200 and decreasing its utilization from 0.1767 to 0.0800. Similarly with increase of θ_2 from 0.1 to 0.5 the probability of emptiness of third server decreases and its utilization increases whereas emptiness of fourth server increases and its utilization decreases.

From Table.3 it is observed that the throughputs $Thp_1, Thp_2, Thp_3, Thp_4$ and mean waiting times W_1, W_2, W_3, W_4 at each of the four servers have shown increase with increase in time. Similarly an increase in λ lead to an increase in throughputs as well as mean waiting times. Further we can observe that the increase in service rate at second, third and fourth server leads to increase in throughputs and waiting times except at first server whereas increase in μ_1 leads to increase in Thp_1 and decrease in W_1 .

The probability of joining second server (S_2) increases from $\theta_1=0.1$ to 0.5 the throughput Thp_2 increases correspondingly from 0.2037 to 0.9610 ,this in turn increase the waiting time W_2 from 0.1450 to 0.1537.As this influences on θ_3 which decreases from 0.7 to 0.3 ,the throughput Thp_4 decreases from 1.5907 to 0.7198 while decreasing in mean waiting time W_4 is indicated from 0.1223 to 0.1158.Therefore the data supports the theoretical expectations. Similar changes can also be observed in case of changes in probability of joining third server (S_3) after being served at first server (S_1).

5. Sensitivity Analysis

In this section we considered the sensitivity analysis of model with the values of parameters as $t=0.1, \lambda=15, \mu_1=12, \mu_2=14, \mu_3=11, \mu_4=13, \theta_1=0.3$ and $\theta_2=0.2$.The effect of variation of $\pm 15%, \pm 10%$ and $\pm 5%$ on the performance measures $L_1, L_2, L_3, L_4, L, W_1, W_2, W_3$ and W_4 were computed and are given in Table 4.

From Table 4.it is observed that as time t increases all the values of $L_1, L_2, L_3, L_4, L, W_1, W_2, W_3$ and W_4 increase and decrease when time decreases. We can observe the same phenomenon with variation in arrival rate λ .It is also observed that as μ_1 increases L_1, L and W_1 are decreasing whereas L_2, L_3, L_4, W_2 and W_4 are constants. As μ_3 increases L_3, L, W_3 are decreasing whereas L_1, L_2, L_4, W_1, W_2 and W_4 are constants and as μ_4 increases L_4, L, W_4 are decreasing whereas $L_1, L_2, L_3, L_4, W_1, W_2, W_3$ and W_4 are constants.

It is also observed that as θ_1 increases L_2, L, W_2 are increasing, L_4, W_4 are decreasing whereas L_1, L_3, W_1 and W_3 are constants .Similarly as θ_3 increases L_3, L, W_3 are increasing , L_4 and W_4 are decreasing and L_1, L_2, W_1 and W_2 are constants.

Table1: Values of Expected Number (Mean) of Customers in the Queue in Transient State.

t	λ	μ_1	μ_2	μ_3	μ_4	θ_1	θ_2	θ_3	$L_1(t)$	$L_2(t)$	$L_3(t)$	$L_4(t)$	$L(t)$
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.1280	0.0295	0.0573	0.1945	1.4093
0.2	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.7470	0.0795	0.1503	0.4982	2.4750
0.3	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	2.0868	0.1238	0.2291	0.7449	3.1846
0.4	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	2.2732	0.1564	0.2848	0.9129	3.6273
0.5	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	2.3755	0.1784	0.3209	1.0183	3.8391
0.1	10	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.7520	0.0197	0.0382	0.1297	0.9396
0.1	11	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.8272	0.0217	0.0420	0.1426	1.0335
0.1	12	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.9024	0.0236	0.0458	0.1556	1.1274
0.1	13	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.9776	0.0256	0.0496	0.1686	1.2214
0.1	14	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.0528	0.0276	0.0535	0.1815	1.3154
0.1	15	10	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.9482	0.0435	0.0843	0.2861	1.3621
0.1	15	11	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.9097	0.0465	0.0900	0.3054	1.3516
0.1	15	12	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.8735	0.0493	0.0954	0.3235	1.3417
0.1	15	13	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.8394	0.0519	0.1004	0.3405	1.3322
0.1	15	14	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.8072	0.0543	0.1051	0.3564	1.3230
0.1	15	6	10	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.1280	0.0270	0.0573	0.1945	1.4068
0.1	15	6	11	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.1280	0.0262	0.0573	0.1945	1.4060
0.1	15	6	12	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.1280	0.0254	0.0573	0.1945	1.4052
0.1	15	6	13	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.1280	0.0247	0.0573	0.1945	1.4045
0.1	15	6	14	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.1280	0.0241	0.0573	0.1945	1.4039
0.1	15	6	7	10	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.1280	0.0295	0.0539	0.1945	1.4059
0.1	15	6	7	11	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.1280	0.0295	0.0524	0.1945	1.4044
0.1	15	6	7	12	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.1280	0.0295	0.0509	0.1945	1.4015
0.1	15	6	7	13	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.1280	0.0295	0.0495	0.1945	1.4029
0.1	15	6	7	14	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.1280	0.0295	0.0481	0.1945	1.4001
0.1	15	6	7	8	10	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.1280	0.0295	0.0573	0.1888	1.4036
0.1	15	6	7	8	11	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.1280	0.0295	0.0573	0.1833	1.3981
0.1	15	6	7	8	12	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.1280	0.0295	0.0573	0.1781	1.3929
0.1	15	6	7	8	13	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.1280	0.0295	0.0573	0.1732	1.3880
0.1	15	6	7	8	14	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.1280	0.0295	0.0573	0.1684	1.3832
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.1280	0.0295	0.0573	0.1945	1.4093
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.2	0.2	0.6	1.1280	0.0591	0.0573	0.1667	1.3815
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.3	0.2	0.5	1.1280	0.0886	0.0573	0.1389	1.3537
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.4	0.2	0.4	1.1280	0.1181	0.0573	0.1111	1.3259
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.5	0.2	0.3	1.1280	0.1477	0.0573	0.0834	1.2982
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.1	0.8	1.1280	0.0295	0.0286	0.2223	1.4084
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.1280	0.0295	0.0573	0.1945	1.4389
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.3	0.6	1.1280	0.0295	0.0859	0.1667	1.4692
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.4	0.5	1.1280	0.0295	0.1146	0.1389	1.4996
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.5	0.4	1.1280	0.0295	0.1432	0.1111	1.5300
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.1280	0.0295	0.0573	0.1945	1.4093
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.1280	0.0295	0.0573	0.1945	1.4093
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.1280	0.0295	0.0573	0.1945	1.4093
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.1280	0.0295	0.0573	0.1945	1.4093
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.1280	0.0295	0.0573	0.1945	1.4093

Table 2: Probability of Emptiness and Utilization of Servers and System in Transient State.

Table with 17 columns: t, lambda, mu1, mu2, mu3, mu4, theta1, theta2, theta3, P0000t, P0...t, P0.t, P0.t, P0.t, U1(t), U2(t), U3(t), U4(t). Rows represent various parameter combinations.

Table 3: Values of Throughput and Waiting Time of Customers in Queues in Transient State.

Table with 17 columns: t, lambda, mu1, mu2, mu3, mu4, theta1, theta2, theta3, Thp1(t), Thp2(t), Thp3(t), Thp4(t), W1(t), W2(t), W3(t), W4(t). Rows represent various parameter combinations.

0.1	15	6	7	8	10	0.1	0.2	0.7	4.0579	0.2037	0.4453	1.7203	0.2780	0.1450	0.1286	0.1097
0.1	15	6	7	8	11	0.1	0.2	0.7	4.0579	0.2037	0.4453	1.8426	0.2780	0.1450	0.1286	0.0995
0.1	15	6	7	8	12	0.1	0.2	0.7	4.0579	0.2037	0.4453	1.9579	0.2780	0.1450	0.1286	0.0910
0.1	15	6	7	8	13	0.1	0.2	0.7	4.0579	0.2037	0.4453	2.0669	0.2780	0.1450	0.1286	0.0838
0.1	15	6	7	8	14	0.1	0.2	0.7	4.0579	0.2037	0.4453	2.1697	0.2780	0.1450	0.1286	0.0776
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	4.0579	0.2037	0.4453	1.5907	0.2780	0.1450	0.1286	0.1223
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.2	0.2	0.6	4.0579	0.4015	0.4453	1.3820	0.2780	0.1471	0.1286	0.1206
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.3	0.2	0.5	4.0579	0.5936	0.4453	1.1673	0.2780	0.1493	0.1286	0.1190
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.4	0.2	0.4	4.0579	0.7800	0.4453	0.9466	0.2780	0.1515	0.1286	0.1174
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.5	0.2	0.3	4.0579	0.9610	0.4453	0.7198	0.2780	0.1537	0.1286	0.1158
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.1	0.8	4.0579	0.2037	0.2259	1.7937	0.2780	0.1450	0.1268	0.1239
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	4.0579	0.2037	0.4453	1.5907	0.2780	0.1450	0.1286	0.1233
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.3	0.6	4.0579	0.2037	0.6586	1.3820	0.2780	0.1450	0.1304	0.1206
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.4	0.5	4.0579	0.2037	0.8659	1.1673	0.2780	0.1450	0.1323	0.1190
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.5	0.4	4.0579	0.2037	1.0673	0.9466	0.2780	0.1450	0.1342	0.1174
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	4.0579	0.2037	0.4453	1.5907	0.2780	0.1450	0.1286	0.1223
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	4.0579	0.2037	0.4453	1.5907	0.2780	0.1450	0.1286	0.1223
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	4.0579	0.2037	0.4453	1.5907	0.2780	0.1450	0.1286	0.1223
0.1	15	6	7	8	9	0.1	0.2	0.7	4.0579	0.2037	0.4453	1.5907	0.2780	0.1450	0.1286	0.1223

Table 4.: Values of $L_1, L_2, L_3, L_4, L, W_1, W_2, W_3$ and W_4 for different Values of $t, \lambda, \mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3, \mu_4, \theta_1, \theta_2$ and θ_3 . (SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS)

Variation Parameter	Performance Measure	Percentage Change in Parameter						
		-15%	-10%	-5%	0	5%	10%	15%
t = 0.1	$L_1(t)$	0.9988	1.0431	1.0862	1.1280	1.1685	1.2079	1.2461
	$L_2(t)$	0.0227	0.0249	0.0272	0.0295	0.0319	0.0343	0.0367
	$L_3(t)$	0.0442	0.0485	0.0528	0.0573	0.0618	0.0664	0.0710
	$L_4(t)$	0.1507	0.1650	0.1797	0.1945	0.2095	0.2247	0.2400
	$L(t)$	1.2164	1.2815	1.3459	1.4093	1.4717	1.5333	1.5938
	$W_1(t)$	0.2635	0.2684	0.2733	0.2780	0.2826	0.2871	0.2915
	$W_2(t)$	0.1445	0.1446	0.1448	0.1450	0.1451	0.1453	0.1455
	$W_3(t)$	0.1278	0.1281	0.1283	0.1286	0.1289	0.1292	0.1295
	$W_4(t)$	0.1197	0.1205	0.1214	0.1223	0.1232	0.1241	0.1250
$\lambda=15$	$L_1(t)$	1.4850	1.5723	1.6597	1.7470	1.8344	1.9217	2.0091
	$L_2(t)$	0.0676	0.0716	0.0756	0.0795	0.0835	0.0875	0.0915
	$L_3(t)$	0.1278	0.1353	0.1428	0.1503	0.1579	0.1654	0.1729
	$L_4(t)$	0.4235	0.4484	0.4733	0.4982	0.5231	0.5480	0.5729
	$L(t)$	2.1039	2.2276	2.3514	2.475	2.5989	2.7226	2.8464
	$W_1(t)$	0.3200	0.3307	0.3416	0.3526	0.3638	0.3752	0.3867
	$W_2(t)$	0.1477	0.1480	0.1483	0.1486	0.1489	0.1492	0.1495
	$W_3(t)$	0.1332	0.1336	0.1341	0.1346	0.1351	0.1356	0.1361
	$W_4(t)$	0.1363	0.1379	0.1395	0.1411	0.1427	0.1443	0.1460
$\mu_1=12$	$L_1(t)$	1.8806	1.8345	1.7899	1.7470	1.7056	1.6656	1.6270
	$L_2(t)$	0.0714	0.0743	0.0770	0.0795	0.0820	0.0844	0.0867
	$L_3(t)$	0.1351	0.1404	0.1455	0.1503	0.1550	0.1595	0.1638
	$L_4(t)$	0.4480	0.4655	0.4822	0.4982	0.5135	0.5283	0.5424
	$L(t)$	2.5351	2.5147	2.4946	2.475	2.4561	2.4378	2.4199
	$W_1(t)$	0.4351	0.4043	0.3770	0.3526	0.3308	0.3112	0.2935
	$W_2(t)$	0.1480	0.1482	0.1484	0.1486	0.1488	0.1490	0.1491
	$W_3(t)$	0.1336	0.1340	0.1343	0.1346	0.1349	0.1352	0.1355
	$W_4(t)$	0.1379	0.1390	0.1400	0.1411	0.1421	0.1430	0.1440
$\mu_2=14$	$L_1(t)$	1.8806	1.8345	1.7899	1.7470	1.7056	1.6656	1.6270
	$L_2(t)$	0.0846	0.0829	0.0812	0.0795	0.0780	0.0764	0.0750
	$L_3(t)$	0.1503	0.1503	0.1503	0.1503	0.1503	0.1503	0.1503
	$L_4(t)$	0.4982	0.4982	0.4982	0.4982	0.4982	0.4982	0.4982
	$L(t)$	2.6137	2.5659	2.5196	2.475	2.4321	2.3905	2.3505
	$W_1(t)$	0.4351	0.4043	0.3770	0.3526	0.3308	0.3112	0.2935
	$W_2(t)$	0.1753	0.1654	0.1566	0.1486	0.1474	0.1349	0.1289
	$W_3(t)$	0.1346	0.1346	0.1346	0.1346	0.1346	0.1346	0.1346
	$W_4(t)$	0.1411	0.1411	0.1411	0.1411	0.1411	0.1411	0.1411
$\mu_3=11$	$L_1(t)$	1.7470	1.7470	1.7470	1.7470	1.7470	1.7470	1.7470
	$L_2(t)$	0.0795	0.0795	0.0795	0.0795	0.0795	0.0795	0.0795
	$L_3(t)$	0.1397	0.1357	0.1319	0.1283	0.1248	0.1215	0.1183
	$L_4(t)$	0.4982	0.4982	0.4982	0.4982	0.4982	0.4982	0.4982
	$L(t)$	2.4644	2.4604	2.4566	2.453	2.4495	2.4462	2.443
	$W_1(t)$	0.3526	0.3526	0.3526	0.3526	0.3526	0.3526	0.3526
	$W_2(t)$	0.1486	0.1486	0.1486	0.1486	0.1486	0.1486	0.1486
	$W_3(t)$	0.1146	0.1080	0.1021	0.0969	0.0921	0.0878	0.0838
	$W_4(t)$	0.1411	0.1411	0.1411	0.1411	0.1411	0.1411	0.1411
$\mu_4=13$	$L_1(t)$	1.7470	1.7470	1.7470	1.7470	1.7470	1.7470	1.7470
	$L_2(t)$	0.0795	0.0795	0.0795	0.0795	0.0795	0.0795	0.0795
	$L_3(t)$	0.1503	0.1503	0.1503	0.1503	0.1503	0.1503	0.1503
	$L_4(t)$	0.4478	0.4336	0.4201	0.4073	0.3952	0.3836	0.3727
	$L(t)$	2.4246	2.4104	2.3969	2.3841	2.372	2.3604	2.3495

	$W_1(t)$	0.3526	0.3526	0.3526	0.3526	0.3526	0.3526	0.3526
	$W_2(t)$	0.1486	0.1486	0.1486	0.1486	0.1486	0.1486	0.1486
	$W_3(t)$	0.1346	0.1346	0.1346	0.1346	0.1346	0.1346	0.1346
	$W_4(t)$	0.1123	0.1053	0.0992	0.0936	0.0887	0.0842	0.0801
$\theta_1=0.3$	$L_1(t)$	1.7470	1.7470	1.7470	1.7470	1.7470	1.7470	1.7470
	$L_2(t)$	0.2028	0.2148	0.2267	0.2386	0.2506	0.2625	0.2744
	$L_3(t)$	0.1503	0.1503	0.1503	0.1503	0.1503	0.1503	0.1503
	$L_4(t)$	0.3879	0.3772	0.3665	0.3558	0.3452	0.3345	0.3238
	$L(t)$	2.488	2.4893	2.4905	2.4917	2.4931	2.4943	2.4955
	$W_1(t)$	0.3526	0.3526	0.3526	0.3526	0.3526	0.3526	0.3526
	$W_2(t)$	0.1578	0.1587	0.1597	0.1606	0.1615	0.1624	0.1634
	$W_3(t)$	0.1346	0.1346	0.1346	0.1346	0.1346	0.1346	0.1346
$\theta_2=0.2$	$L_1(t)$	1.7470	1.7470	1.7470	1.7470	1.7470	1.7470	1.7470
	$L_2(t)$	0.0795	0.0795	0.0795	0.0795	0.0795	0.0795	0.0795
	$L_3(t)$	0.1278	0.1353	0.1428	0.1503	0.1579	0.1654	0.1729
	$L_4(t)$	0.5195	0.5124	0.5053	0.4982	0.4911	0.4840	0.4768
	$L(t)$	2.4738	2.4742	2.4746	2.475	2.4755	2.4759	2.4762
	$W_1(t)$	0.3526	0.3526	0.3526	0.3526	0.3526	0.3526	0.3526
	$W_2(t)$	0.1486	0.1486	0.1486	0.1486	0.1486	0.1486	0.1486
	$W_3(t)$	0.1332	0.1336	0.1341	0.1346	0.1351	0.1356	0.1361
	$W_4(t)$	0.1425	0.1420	0.1415	0.1411	0.1406	0.1402	0.1397

Putting $n_1 = 0$ in (4) we get the probability that the first buffer is empty as $P(0, \dots) = \exp\left\{-\frac{\lambda}{\mu_1}\right\}$

6. Steady State Analysis

In this section we study the steady-state analysis of queuing model by computing mean length of queue ,emptiness of server, utilization of server and average waiting time at each server. Joint Probability generating function of number of customers in first, ..., kth buffer respectively at any time t is

$$P(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k; t) = \exp\left[\lambda\left\{\frac{1}{\mu_1}(n_1 - 1)(1 - e^{-\mu_1 t}) + \frac{\theta_1}{\mu_2}(n_2 - 1)(1 - e^{-\mu_2 t}) + \dots + \frac{\theta_k}{\mu_k}(n_k - 1)(1 - e^{-\mu_k t}) + \frac{\theta_1}{(\mu_2 - \mu_1)}(n_2 - 1)(e^{-\mu_2 t} - e^{-\mu_1 t}) + \frac{\theta_2}{(\mu_3 - \mu_1)}(n_3 - 1)(e^{-\mu_3 t} - e^{-\mu_1 t}) + \dots + \frac{\theta_{k-1}}{(\mu_k - \mu_1)}(n_k - 1)(e^{-\mu_k t} - e^{-\mu_1 t})\right\}\right] \quad (9)$$

In steady state as $t \rightarrow \infty$ we get $P(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k)$

$$= \exp\left[\lambda\left\{\frac{1}{\mu_1}(n_1 - 1) + \frac{\theta_1}{\mu_2}(n_2 - 1) + \dots + \frac{\theta_{k-1}}{\mu_k}(n_k - 1)\right\}\right] \quad (10)$$

Putting $n_1 = n_2 = \dots = n_k = 0$ we get

$$P(0, 0, \dots, 0) = \exp\left[\lambda\left\{-\frac{1}{\mu_1} - \frac{\theta_1}{\mu_2} - \dots - \frac{\theta_{k-1}}{\mu_k}\right\}\right]$$

$$= \exp\left[-\lambda\left\{\frac{1}{\mu_1} + \frac{\theta_1}{\mu_2} + \dots + \frac{\theta_{k-1}}{\mu_k}\right\}\right]$$

Which gives the probability that queue is empty in steady state

6.1 Performance analysis of First buffer

Putting $n_2 = 1, n_3 = 1, \dots, n_k = 1$ in (10)

we get probability generating function of first buffer size distribution as $P(n_1) = \exp\left[\lambda\left\{\frac{1}{\mu_1}(n_1 - 1)\right\}\right]$

Mean number of packets in first buffer is $E(N_1)$

$$= L_1 = \frac{\lambda}{\mu_1}$$

Variation in number of packets in first buffer is

$$\text{Var}(N_1) = \frac{\lambda}{\mu_1}$$

Utilization of first server is

$$U_1 = 1 - P(0, \dots) = 1 - \exp\left\{-\frac{\lambda}{\mu_1}\right\}$$

Throughput of first server is

$$\text{Thp}_1 = \mu_1 \cdot U_1 = \mu_1 \left[1 - \exp\left\{-\frac{\lambda}{\mu_1}\right\}\right]$$

Average waiting time of customers in first buffer (average delay

$$) \text{ is } W_1 = \frac{L_1}{\text{Thp}_1} = \frac{\frac{\lambda}{\mu_1}}{\mu_1 \left[1 - \exp\left\{-\frac{\lambda}{\mu_1}\right\}\right]}$$

6.2 Performance Analysis of Second Buffer

Putting $n = 1, n_3 = 1, \dots, n_k = 1$ in (10)

we get probability generating function of second buffer size distribution $P(n_2) = \exp\left[\lambda\left\{\frac{\theta_1}{\mu_2}(n_2 - 1)\right\}\right]$

Mean number of packets in second buffer

$$= E(N_2) = L_2 = \frac{\lambda \theta_1}{\mu_2}$$

Variation in number of packets in second buffer is $\text{Var}(N_2) = \frac{\lambda \theta_1}{\mu_2}$

Putting $n_2 = 0$ in (11) we get the probability that the second buffer is empty as $P(\cdot, 0, \dots) = \exp\left\{-\frac{\lambda \theta_1}{\mu_2}\right\}$

Utilization of second server is U_2

$$= 1 - P(\cdot, 0, \dots) = 1 - \exp\left\{-\frac{\lambda \theta_1}{\mu_2}\right\}$$

Throughput of second server is Thp_2

$$= \mu_2 \cdot U_2 = \mu_2 \cdot \left[1 - \exp\left\{-\frac{\lambda \theta_1}{\mu_2}\right\}\right]$$

Average waiting time of customers in second buffer (average delay) is

$$W_1 = \frac{L_2}{\text{Thp}_2} = \frac{\frac{\lambda \theta_1}{\mu_2}}{\mu_2 \left[1 - \exp\left\{-\frac{\lambda \theta_1}{\mu_2}\right\}\right]}$$

6.3 Performance Analysis of Third Buffer

Putting $n_1 = 1, n_2 = 1, n_4 = 1 \dots n_k = 1$ in (10)

we get probability generating function of third buffer size distribution as $P(n_3) = \exp\left[\lambda\left\{\frac{\theta_2}{\mu_3}(n_3 - 1)\right\}\right]$

Mean number of packets in third buffer $=E(N_3) = L_3 = \left\{\frac{\lambda\theta_2}{\mu_3}\right\}$

Variation in number of packets in third buffer

$$= \text{Var}(N_3) = \left\{\frac{\lambda\theta_2}{\mu_3}\right\}$$

Putting $n_3 = 0$ in (18) we get the probability that the third buffer is empty as $P(\dots, 0, \dots) = \exp\left\{-\frac{\lambda\theta_2}{\mu_3}\right\}$

Utilization of third server $=U_3$

$$= 1 - P(\dots, 0, \dots) = 1 - \exp\left\{-\frac{\lambda\theta_2}{\mu_3}\right\}$$

Throughput of third server is $Thp_3 = \mu_3 \cdot U_3$

$$= \mu_3 \cdot \left[1 - \exp\left\{-\frac{\lambda\theta_2}{\mu_3}\right\}\right]$$

Average waiting time of customers in third buffer (average delay) =

$$W_3 = \frac{L_3}{Thp_3} = \frac{\left\{\frac{\lambda\theta_2}{\mu_3}\right\}}{\mu_3 \cdot \left[1 - \exp\left\{-\frac{\lambda\theta_2}{\mu_3}\right\}\right]}$$

6.4 Performance Analysis of Fourth Buffer

Putting $n_1 = 1, n_2 = 1, n_3 = 1, n_5 = 1 \dots n_k = 1$ in (10) we get probability generating function of fourth buffer size distribution as $P(n_4) = \exp\left[\lambda\left\{\frac{\theta_3}{\mu_4}(n_4 - 1)\right\}\right]$

Mean number of packets in fourth buffer $=E(N_4)$

$$= L_4 = \left\{\frac{\lambda\theta_3}{\mu_4}\right\}$$

Variation in number of packets in fourth buffer is

$$\text{Var}(N_4) = \left\{\frac{\lambda\theta_3}{\mu_4}\right\}$$

Putting $n_4 = 0$ in (25) we get the probability that the fourth buffer is empty as $P(\dots, 0, \dots) = \exp\left\{-\frac{\lambda\theta_3}{\mu_4}\right\}$

Utilization of fourth server $=U_4 =$

$$1 - P(\dots, 0, \dots) = 1 - \exp\left\{-\frac{\lambda\theta_3}{\mu_4}\right\}$$

Throughput of fourth server $=Thp_4$

$$= \mu_4 \cdot U_4 = \mu_4 \cdot \left[1 - \exp\left\{-\frac{\lambda\theta_3}{\mu_4}\right\}\right]$$

Average waiting time of customers in fourth buffer (average delay)

$$) = W_4 = \frac{L_4}{Thp_4} = \frac{\left\{\frac{\lambda\theta_3}{\mu_4}\right\}}{\mu_4 \cdot \left[1 - \exp\left\{-\frac{\lambda\theta_3}{\mu_4}\right\}\right]}$$

6.5 Performance Analysis of Ith Buffer

Putting $n_1 = 1, n_2 = 1, \dots, n_{i-1} = 1, n_{i+1} = 1 \dots n_k = 1$ in (10) we get probability generating function of i^{th} buffer size distribution as $P(n_i) = \exp\left[\lambda\left\{\frac{\theta_{i-1}}{\mu_i}(n_i - 1)\right\}\right]$

Mean number of packets in i^{th} buffer $=E(N_i) = L_i = \left\{\frac{\lambda\theta_{i-1}}{\mu_i}\right\}$

Variation in number of packets in fourth buffer is

$$\text{Var}(N_i) = \left\{\frac{\lambda\theta_{i-1}}{\mu_i}\right\}$$

Putting $n_4 = 0$ in (25) we get probability that the fourth buffer is empty as $P(\dots, 0, \dots) = \exp\left\{-\frac{\lambda\theta_{i-1}}{\mu_i}\right\}$

Utilization of fourth server $=U_i$

$$= 1 - P(\dots, 0, \dots) = 1 - \exp\left\{-\frac{\lambda\theta_{i-1}}{\mu_i}\right\}$$

Throughput of fourth server $=Thp_i$

$$= \mu_i \cdot U_i = \mu_i \cdot \left[1 - \exp\left\{-\frac{\lambda\theta_{i-1}}{\mu_i}\right\}\right]$$

Average waiting time of customers in fourth buffer

$$(average\ delay) = W_4 = \frac{L_i}{Thp_i} = \frac{\left\{\frac{\lambda\theta_{i-1}}{\mu_i}\right\}}{\mu_i \cdot \left[1 - \exp\left\{-\frac{\lambda\theta_{i-1}}{\mu_i}\right\}\right]}$$

7. Comparative Study

A comparative study between transient and steady state of developed model is carried for $t = 0.1, 1$ and 3 . The difference and percentage of variation in all performance measures are computed and given in Table.5.

From Table.5 it is observed that there is high significant difference between transient behaviour and steady state behaviour of the model. At $t=0.1$ the variation in measures is highly significant which can be observed in last column. At $t=1$ the percentage of variation is reduced and some of the measures differ very closely. It is also observed that as t increases the difference between transient and steady state behaviour become negligible and at $t=3$ which shows that there is no difference between them. This indicates that the system attains equilibrium after time $t=3$ units.

8. Conclusion

In this paper we developed and analysed a Queueing model in which customers arrive to the first Queue and after getting service at first server they may join one of the $(K-1)$ Queues which are in parallel with certain probability. Here it is assumed that the services are dependent on the content of the buffers. The explicit expressions for system characteristics such as average number of customers in the Queue, probability of idleness of each service station, throughput of the nodes, average waiting time customers in each Queue, utilisation of each server. The sensitivity of the model revealed that the arrival rates and load dependent service time distribution parameters have significant influence on performance measures. The proposed model is very useful for scheduling, the Communication networks at LAN, VAN and MAN. The optimal operating policies of the model with suitable cost considerations were also derived, which will be considered else where.

Table 5.: Comparative tables of performance measures between Transient and Steady State for $t = 0.1, 1$ and $3 (\lambda = 15, \mu_1 = 6, \mu_2 = 7, \mu_3 = 8, \mu_4 = 9, \theta_1 = 0.1, \theta_2 = 0.2)$

Time t	Performance	Transient State	Steady State	Difference between Transient and Steady state	% of variation
t = 0.1	L_1	1.1280	2.5000	-1.372	-121.6312057
	L_2	0.0295	0.2143	-0.1848	-626.440678
	L_3	0.0573	0.3750	-0.3177	-554.4502618
	L_4	0.1945	1.1667	-0.9722	-499.8457584
	L	1.4093	4.256	-2.8467	-201.9938977
	P_{0000}	0.2443	0.0142	0.2301	94.18747442
	$P_{0...}$	0.3237	0.0821	0.2416	74.63700958
	$P_{0..}$	0.9709	0.8071	0.1638	16.87094448
	$P_{0.}$	0.9443	0.6873	0.257	27.21592714
	$P_{...0}$	0.8233	0.3114	0.5119	62.17660634
	U_1	0.6763	0.9179	-0.2416	-35.72379122
	U_2	0.0291	0.1929	-0.1638	-562.8865979
	U_3	0.0557	0.3127	-0.257	-461.4003591
	U_4	0.1767	0.6886	-0.5119	-289.7000566
	Thp_1	4.0579	5.5075	-1.4496	-35.72291087
	Thp_2	0.2037	1.3502	-1.1465	-562.8375061
	Thp_3	0.4453	2.5017	-2.0564	-461.801033
	Thp_4	1.5907	6.1974	-4.6067	-289.602062
	W_1	0.2780	0.4539	-0.1759	-63.27338129
	W_2	0.1450	0.1587	-0.0137	-9.448275862
W_3	0.1286	0.1499	-0.0213	-16.562986	
W_4	0.1223	0.1883	-0.066	-53.96565822	
t = 1	L_1	2.4938	2.5000	-0.0062	-0.248616569
	L_2	0.2117	0.2143	-0.0026	-1.228153047
	L_3	0.3717	0.3750	-0.0033	-0.887812752
	L_4	1.1583	1.1667	-0.0084	-0.725200725
	L	4.2355	4.256	-0.0205	-0.48400425
	P_{0000}	0.0145	0.0142	0.0003	2.068965517
	$P_{0...}$	0.0826	0.0821	0.0005	0.605326877
	$P_{0..}$	0.8092	0.8071	0.0021	0.259515571
	$P_{0.}$	0.6896	0.6873	0.0023	0.333526682
	$P_{...0}$	0.3140	0.3114	0.0026	0.828025478
	U_1	0.9174	0.9179	-0.0005	-0.054501853
	U_2	0.1908	0.1929	-0.0021	-1.100628931
	U_3	0.3104	0.3127	-0.0023	-0.740979381
	U_4	0.6860	0.6886	-0.0026	-0.379008746
	Thp_1	5.5044	5.5075	-0.0031	-0.056318581
	Thp_2	1.3358	1.3502	-0.0144	-1.078005689
	Thp_3	2.4833	2.5017	-0.0184	-0.740949543
	Thp_4	6.1738	6.1974	-0.0236	-0.38226052
	W_1	0.4531	0.4539	-0.0008	-0.176561465
	W_2	0.1585	0.1587	-0.0002	-0.126182965
W_3	0.1497	0.1499	-0.0002	-0.133600534	
W_4	0.1876	0.1883	-0.0007	-0.373134328	
t = 3	L_1	2.5000	2.5000	0	0
	L_2	0.2143	0.2143	0	0
	L_3	0.3750	0.3750	0	0
	L_4	1.1667	1.1667	0	0
	L	4.2560	4.256	0	0
	P_{0000}	0.0142	0.0142	0	0
	$P_{0...}$	0.0821	0.0821	0	0
	$P_{0..}$	0.8071	0.8071	0	0
	$P_{0.}$	0.6873	0.6873	0	0
	$P_{...0}$	0.3114	0.3114	0	0
	U_1	0.9179	0.9179	0	0
	U_2	0.1929	0.1929	0	0
	U_3	0.3127	0.3127	0	0
	U_4	0.6886	0.6886	0	0
	Thp_1	5.5075	5.5075	0	0
	Thp_2	1.3502	1.3502	0	0
	Thp_3	2.5017	2.5017	0	0
	Thp_4	6.1974	6.1974	0	0
	w_1	0.4539	0.4539	0	0
	w_2	0.1587	0.1587	0	0
w_3	0.1499	0.1499	0	0	
w_4	0.1883	0.1883	0	0	

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