

An Introduction To Queueing Systems 1st Edition

This text presents a modern theory of analysis, control, and optimization for dynamic networks. Mathematical techniques of Lyapunov drift and Lyapunov optimization are developed and shown to enable constrained optimization of time averages in general stochastic systems. The focus is on communication and queueing systems, including wireless networks with time-varying channels, mobility, and randomly arriving traffic. A simple drift-plus-penalty framework is used to optimize time averages such as throughput, throughput-utility, power, and distortion. Explicit performance-delay tradeoffs are provided to illustrate the cost of approaching optimality. This theory is also applicable to problems in operations research and economics, where energy-efficient and profit-maximizing decisions must be made without knowing the future. Topics in the text include the following: - Queue stability theory - Backpressure, max-weight, and virtual queue methods - Primal-dual methods for non-convex stochastic utility maximization - Universal scheduling theory for arbitrary sample paths - Approximate and randomized scheduling theory - Optimization of renewal systems and Markov decision systems Detailed examples and numerous problem set questions are provided to reinforce the main concepts. Table of Contents: Introduction / Introduction to Queues / Dynamic Scheduling Example / Optimizing Time Averages / Optimizing Functions of Time Averages / Approximate Scheduling / Optimization of Renewal Systems / Conclusions

The definitive guide to queueing theory and its practical applications—features numerous real-world examples of scientific, engineering, and business applications Thoroughly updated and expanded to reflect the latest developments in the field, Fundamentals of Queueing Theory, Fifth Edition presents the statistical principles and processes involved in the analysis of the probabilistic nature of queues. Rather than focus narrowly on a particular application area, the authors illustrate the theory in practice across a range of fields, from computer science and various engineering disciplines to business and operations research. Critically, the text also provides a numerical approach to understanding and making estimations with queueing theory and provides comprehensive coverage of both simple and advanced queueing models. As with all preceding editions, this latest update of the classic text features a unique blend of the theoretical and timely real-world applications. The introductory section has been reorganized with expanded coverage of qualitative/non-mathematical approaches to queueing theory, including a high-level description of queues in everyday life. New sections on non-stationary fluid queues, fairness in queueing, and Little's Law have been added, as has expanded coverage of stochastic processes, including the Poisson process and Markov chains. • Each chapter provides a self-contained presentation of key concepts and formulas, to allow readers to focus independently on topics relevant to their interests • A summary table at the end of the book outlines the queues that have been discussed and the types of results that have been obtained for each queue • Examples from a range of disciplines highlight practical issues often encountered when applying the theory to real-world problems • A companion website features QtsPlus, an Excel-based software platform that provides computer-based solutions for most queueing models presented in the book. Featuring chapter-end exercises and problems—all of which have been classroom-tested and refined by the authors in

advanced undergraduate and graduate-level courses—Fundamentals of Queueing Theory, Fifth Edition is an ideal textbook for courses in applied mathematics, queueing theory, probability and statistics, and stochastic processes. This book is also a valuable reference for practitioners in applied mathematics, operations research, engineering, and industrial engineering.

The book examines the performance and optimization of systems where queueing and congestion are important constructs. Both finite and infinite queueing systems are examined. Many examples and case studies are utilized to indicate the breadth and depth of the queueing systems and their range of applicability. Blocking of these processes is very important and the book shows how to deal with this problem in an effective way and not only compute the performance measures of throughput, cycle times, and WIP but also to optimize the resources within these systems. The book is aimed at advanced undergraduate, graduate, and professionals and academics interested in network design, queueing performance models and their optimization. It assumes that the audience is fairly sophisticated in their mathematical understanding, although the explanations of the topics within the book are fairly detailed.

The present textbook contains the records of a two-semester course on queueing theory, including an introduction to matrix-analytic methods. This course comprises four hours of lectures and two hours of exercises per week and has been taught at the University of Trier, Germany, for about ten years in succession. The course is directed to last year undergraduate and first year graduate students of applied probability and computer science, who have already completed an introduction to probability theory. Its purpose is to present material that is close enough to concrete queueing models and their applications, while providing a sound mathematical foundation for the analysis of these. Thus the goal of the present book is two-fold. On the one hand, students who are mainly interested in applications easily feel bored by elaborate mathematical questions in the theory of stochastic processes. The presentation of the mathematical foundations in our courses is chosen to cover only the necessary results, which are needed for a solid foundation of the methods of queueing analysis. Further, students oriented towards applications expect to have a justification for their mathematical efforts in terms of immediate use in queueing analysis. This is the main reason why we have decided to introduce new mathematical concepts only when they will be used in the immediate sequel. On the other hand, students of applied probability do not want any heuristic derivations just for the sake of yielding fast results for the model at hand.

The aim of this book is to reflect the current cutting-edge thinking and established practices in the investigation of queueing systems and networks. This first volume includes ten chapters written by experts well-known in their areas. The book studies the analysis of queues with interdependent arrival and service times, characteristics of fluid queues, modifications of retrial queueing systems and finite-source retrial queues with random breakdowns, repairs and customers' collisions. Some recent tendencies in the asymptotic analysis include the average and diffusion approximation of Markov queueing systems and networks, the diffusion and Gaussian limits of multi-channel queueing networks with rather general input flow, and the analysis of two-time-scale nonhomogenous Markov chains using the large deviations principle. The book also analyzes transient behavior of infinite-server queueing models with a mixed arrival process, the strong stability of queueing systems and networks, and applications of fast

simulation methods for solving high-dimension combinatorial problems.

This is the first book completely devoted to controlled queueing systems. The book gathers the newest results of the theory of Markov decision processes related to queueing models and demonstrates their applications to main types of control in queueing systems, including control of arrivals, control of service mechanism, and control of service discipline. Emphasis is placed on conditions providing further "good" structural properties of Markov optimal strategies such as monotonicity, threshold or hysteretic character, and priority. Each chapter is followed by exercises, most of which allow the reader to complete technical fragments of proofs. The text assumes the reader is familiar with standard courses of analysis, probability theory, and queueing theory.

Queueing is an aspect of modern life that we encounter at every step in our daily activities. Whether it happens at the checkout counter in the supermarket or in accessing the Internet, the basic phenomenon of queueing arises whenever a shared facility needs to be accessed for service by a large number of jobs or customers. The study of queueing is important as it provides both a theoretical background to the kind of service that we may expect from such a facility and the way in which the facility itself may be designed to provide some specified grade of service to its customers. Our study of queueing was basically motivated by its use in the study of communication systems and computer networks. The various computers, routers and switches in such a network may be modelled as individual queues. The whole system may itself be modelled as a queueing network providing the required service to the messages, packets or cells that need to be carried. Application of queueing theory provides the theoretical framework for the design and study of such networks. The purpose of this book is to support a course on queueing systems at the senior undergraduate or graduate levels. Such a course would then provide the theoretical background on which a subsequent course on the performance modeling and analysis of computer networks may be based.

Written with computer scientists and engineers in mind, this book brings queueing theory decisively back to computer science.

This book introduces the theoretical fundamentals for modeling queues in discrete-time, and the basic procedures for developing queueing models in discrete-time. There is a focus on applications in modern telecommunication systems. It presents how most queueing models in discrete-time can be set up as discrete-time Markov chains.

Techniques such as matrix-analytic methods (MAM) that can be used to analyze the resulting Markov chains are included. This book covers single node systems, tandem system and queueing networks. It shows how queues with time-varying parameters can be analyzed, and illustrates numerical issues associated with computations for the discrete-time queueing systems. Optimal control of queues is also covered. Applied Discrete-Time Queues targets researchers, advanced-level students and analysts in the field of telecommunication networks. It is suitable as a reference book and can also be used as a secondary text book in computer engineering and computer science. Examples and exercises are included.

The motivation for developing this synthesis lecture was to provide a tutorial on queueing and trunking, with extensions to networks of queues, suitable for supplementing courses in communications, stochastic processes, and networking. An essential

component of this lecture are the MATLAB-based demonstrations and exercises, which can be easily modified to enable the student to observe and evaluate the impact of changing parameters, arrival and departure statistics, queueing disciplines, the number of servers, and other important aspects of the underlying system model. Much of the work in this lecture is based on Poisson statistics, since Poisson models are useful due to the fact that Poisson models are analytically tractable and provide a useful approximation for many applications. We recognize that the validity of Poisson statistics is questionable for a number of networking applications and therefore we briefly discuss self-similar models and the Hurst parameter, long-term dependent models, the Pareto distribution, and other related topics. Appropriate references are given for continued study on these topics. The initial chapters of this book consider individual queues in isolation. The systems studied consist of an arrival process, a single queue with a particular queueing discipline, and one or more servers. While this allows us to study the basic concepts of queueing and trunking, modern data networks consist of many queues that interact in complex ways. While many of these interactions defy analysis, the final chapter introduces a model of a network of queues in which, after being served in one queue, customers may join another queue. The key result for this model is known as Jackson's Theorem. Finally, we state the BCMP Theorem, which can be viewed as a further extension of Jackson's Theorem and present Kleinrock's formula, which can be viewed as the network version of Little's Theorem.

Praise for the Third Edition "This is one of the best books available. Its excellent organizational structure allows quick reference to specific models and its clear presentation . . . solidifies the understanding of the concepts being presented." —IIE Transactions on Operations Engineering Thoroughly revised and expanded to reflect the latest developments in the field, *Fundamentals of Queueing Theory, Fourth Edition* continues to present the basic statistical principles that are necessary to analyze the probabilistic nature of queues. Rather than presenting a narrow focus on the subject, this update illustrates the wide-reaching, fundamental concepts in queueing theory and its applications to diverse areas such as computer science, engineering, business, and operations research. This update takes a numerical approach to understanding and making probable estimations relating to queues, with a comprehensive outline of simple and more advanced queueing models. Newly featured topics of the Fourth Edition include: Retrial queues Approximations for queueing networks Numerical inversion of transforms Determining the appropriate number of servers to balance quality and cost of service Each chapter provides a self-contained presentation of key concepts and formulae, allowing readers to work with each section independently, while a summary table at the end of the book outlines the types of queues that have been discussed and their results. In addition, two new appendices have been added, discussing transforms and generating functions as well as the fundamentals of differential and difference equations. New examples are now included along with problems that incorporate QtsPlus software, which is freely available via the book's related Web site. With its accessible style and wealth of real-world examples, *Fundamentals of Queueing Theory, Fourth Edition* is an ideal book for courses on queueing theory at the upper-undergraduate and graduate levels. It is also a valuable resource for researchers and practitioners who analyze congestion in the fields of telecommunications, transportation, aviation, and management science.

Queueing theory applications can be discovered in many walks of life including; transportation, manufacturing, telecommunications, computer systems and more. However, the most prevalent applications of queueing theory are in the telecommunications field. Queueing Theory for Telecommunications: Discrete Time Modelling of a Single Node System focuses on discrete time modeling and illustrates that most queueing systems encountered in real life can be set up as a Markov chain. This feature is very unique because the models are set in such a way that matrix-analytic methods are used to analyze them. Queueing Theory for Telecommunications: Discrete Time Modelling of a Single Node System is the most relevant book available on queueing models designed for applications to telecommunications. This book presents clear concise theories behind how to model and analyze key single node queues in discrete time using special tools that were presented in the second chapter. The text also delves into the types of single node queues that are very frequently encountered in telecommunication systems modeling, and provides simple methods for analyzing them. Where appropriate, alternative analysis methods are also presented. This book is for advanced-level students and researchers concentrating on engineering, computer science and mathematics as a secondary text or reference book. Professionals who work in the related industries of telecommunications, industrial engineering and communications engineering will find this book useful as well. The application of auto-repeat facilities in telephone systems, as well as the use of random access protocols in computer networks, have led to growing interest in retrial queueing models. Since much of the theory of retrial queues is complex from an analytical viewpoint, with this book the authors give a comprehensive and updated text focusing on approximate techniques and algorithmic methods for solving the analytically intractable models. Retrial Queueing Systems: A Computational Approach also Presents motivating examples in telephone and computer networks. Establishes a comparative analysis of the retrial queues versus standard queues with waiting lines and queues with losses. Integrates a wide range of techniques applied to the main M/G/1 and M/M/c retrial queues, and variants with general retrial times, finite population and the discrete-time case. Surveys basic results of the matrix-analytic formalism and emphasizes the related tools employed in retrial queues. Discusses a few selected retrial queues with QBD, GI/M/1 and M/G/1 structures. Features an abundance of numerical examples, and updates the existing literature. The book is intended for an audience ranging from advanced undergraduates to researchers interested not only in queueing theory, but also in applied probability, stochastic models of the operations research, and engineering. The prerequisite is a graduate course in stochastic processes, and a positive attitude to the algorithmic probability. The book is the extended and revised version of the 1st edition and is composed of two main parts: mathematical background and queueing systems with applications. The mathematical background is a self-containing introduction to the stochastic processes of the later studied queueing systems. It starts with a quick introduction to probability theory and stochastic processes and continues with chapters on Markov chains and regenerative processes. More recent advances of queueing systems are based on phase type distributions, Markov arrival processes and quasy birth death processes, which are introduced in the last chapter of the first part. The second part is devoted to queueing models and their applications. After the introduction of the basic Markovian

(from M/M/1 to M/M/1//N) and non-Markovian (M/G/1, G/M/1) queueing systems, a chapter presents the analysis of queues with phase type distributions, Markov arrival processes (from PH/M/1 to MAP/PH/1/K). The next chapter presents the classical queueing network results and the rest of this part is devoted to the application examples. There are queueing models for bandwidth sharing with different traffic classes, slotted multiplexers, media access protocols like Aloha and IEEE 802.11b, priority systems and retrial systems. An appendix supplements the technical content with Laplace and z transformation rules, Bessel functions and a list of notations. The book contains examples and exercises throughout and could be used for graduate students in engineering, mathematics and sciences. Reviews of first edition: "The organization of the book is such that queueing models are viewed as special cases of more general stochastic processes, such as birth-death or semi-Markov processes. ... this book is a valuable addition to the queueing literature and provides instructors with a viable alternative for a textbook to be used in a one- or two-semester course on queueing models, at the upper undergraduate or beginning graduate levels." Charles Knessl, SIAM Review, Vol. 56 (1), March, 2014

The First Comprehensive Book on the Subject Focusing on the underlying structure of a system, Optimal Design of Queueing Systems explores how to set the parameters of a queueing system, such as arrival and service rates, before putting it into operation. It considers various objectives, comparing individually optimal (Nash equilibrium), socially optimal, class optimal, and facility optimal flow allocations. After an introduction to basic design models, the book covers the optimal arrival rate model for a single-facility, single-class queue as well as dynamic algorithms for finding individually or socially optimal arrival rates and prices. It then examines several special cases of multiclass queues, presents models in which the service rate is a decision variable, and extends models and techniques to multifacility queueing systems. Focusing on networks of queues, the final chapters emphasize the qualitative properties of optimal solutions. Written by a long-time, recognized researcher on models for the optimal design and control of queues and networks of queues, this book frames the issues in the general setting of a queueing system. It shows how design models can control flow to achieve a variety of objectives.

Waiting in lines is a staple of everyday human life. Without really noticing, we are doing it when we go to buy a ticket at a movie theater, stop at a bank to make an account withdrawal, or proceed to checkout a purchase from one of our favorite department stores. Oftentimes, waiting lines are due to overcrowded, overfilling, or congestion; any time there is more customer demand for a service than can be provided, a waiting line forms. Queueing systems is a term used to describe the methods and techniques most ideal for measuring the probability and statistics of a wide variety of waiting line models. This book provides an introduction to basic queueing systems, such as M/M/1 and its variants, as well as newer concepts like systems with priorities, networks of queues, and general service policies. Numerical examples are presented to guide readers into thinking about practical real-world applications, and students and researchers will be able to apply the methods learned to designing queueing systems that extend beyond the classroom. Very little has been published in the area of queueing systems, and this volume will appeal to graduate-level students, researchers, and practitioners in the areas of management science, applied mathematics, engineering, computer science,

and statistics.

To Queue Or Not To Queue: Equilibrium Behavior in Queueing Systems focuses on the highly interesting, practical viewpoint of customer behavior and its effect on the performance of the queueing system. The book's objectives are threefold: (1) It is a comprehensive survey of the literature on equilibrium behavior of customers and servers in queueing systems. The literature is rich and considerable, but lacks continuity. This book will provide the needed continuity and cover some issues that have not been adequately treated. (2) In addition, it will examine the known results of the field, classify them and identify where and how they relate to each other. (3) And finally, it seeks to fill a number of the gaps in the literature with new results while explicitly outlining open problems in other areas. With this book, it is the authors' paramount purpose is to motivate further research and to help researchers identify new and interesting open problems.

The book aims to highlight the fundamental concepts of queueing systems. It starts with the mathematical modeling of the arrival process (input) of customers to the system. It is shown that the arrival process can be described mathematically either by the number of arrival customers in a fixed time interval, or by the interarrival time between two consecutive arrivals. In the analysis of queueing systems, the book emphasizes the importance of exponential service time of customers. With this assumption of exponential service time, the analysis can be simplified by using the birth and death process as a model. Many queueing systems can then be analyzed by choosing the proper arrival rate and service rate. This facilitates the analysis of many queueing systems. Drawing on the author's 30 years of experience in teaching and research, the book uses a simple yet effective model of thinking to illustrate the fundamental principles and rationale behind complex mathematical concepts. Explanations of key concepts are provided, while avoiding unnecessary details or extensive mathematical formulas. As a result, the text is easy to read and understand for students wishing to master the core principles of queueing theory. Contents: Modeling of Queueing Systems Queueing Systems with Losses Queueing Systems Allowing Waiting The Engset Loss and Delay Systems Queueing Systems with a Single Server Readership: Researchers, academics, professionals and graduate students in electrical & electronic engineering, computer engineering and mathematical modeling. Keywords: Queueing Systems; Information Theory; Time Distribution Function

This is a textbook on applied probability and statistics with computer science applications for students at the upper undergraduate level. It may also be used as a self study book for the practicing computer science professional. The successful first edition of this book proved extremely useful to students who need to use probability, statistics and queueing theory to solve problems in other fields, such as engineering, physics, operations research, and management science. The book has also been successfully used for courses in queueing theory for operations research students. This second edition includes a new chapter on regression as well as more than twice as many exercises at the end of each chapter. While the emphasis is the same as in the first edition, this new book makes more extensive use of available personal computer software, such as Minitab and Mathematica.

Critically acclaimed text for computer performance analysis--now in its second edition The Second Edition of this now-classic text provides a current and thorough treatment of queueing systems, queueing networks, continuous and discrete-time Markov chains, and simulation. Thoroughly updated with new content, as well as new problems and worked examples, the text offers readers both the theory and practical guidance needed to conduct performance and reliability evaluations of computer, communication, and manufacturing systems. Starting with basic probability theory, the text sets the foundation for the more complicated topics of queueing networks and Markov chains, using applications and examples to illustrate key points. Designed to engage the reader and build practical performance analysis skills, the text

features a wealth of problems that mirror actual industry challenges. New features of the Second Edition include: * Chapter examining simulation methods and applications * Performance analysis applications for wireless, Internet, J2EE, and Kanban systems * Latest material on non-Markovian and fluid stochastic Petri nets, as well as solution techniques for Markov regenerative processes * Updated discussions of new and popular performance analysis tools, including ns-2 and OPNET * New and current real-world examples, including DiffServ routers in the Internet and cellular mobile networks With the rapidly growing complexity of computer and communication systems, the need for this text, which expertly mixes theory and practice, is tremendous. Graduate and advanced undergraduate students in computer science will find the extensive use of examples and problems to be vital in mastering both the basics and the fine points of the field, while industry professionals will find the text essential for developing systems that comply with industry standards and regulations. The series is devoted to the publication of high-level monographs and surveys which cover the whole spectrum of probability and statistics. The books of the series are addressed to both experts and advanced students.

A path-breaking account of Markov decision processes-theory and computation This book's clear presentation of theory, numerous chapter-end problems, and development of a unified method for the computation of optimal policies in both discrete and continuous time make it an excellent course text for graduate students and advanced undergraduates. Its comprehensive coverage of important recent advances in stochastic dynamic programming makes it a valuable working resource for operations research professionals, management scientists, engineers, and others. Stochastic Dynamic Programming and the Control of Queueing Systems presents the theory of optimization under the finite horizon, infinite horizon discounted, and average cost criteria. It then shows how optimal rules of operation (policies) for each criterion may be numerically determined. A great wealth of examples from the application area of the control of queueing systems is presented. Nine numerical programs for the computation of optimal policies are fully explicated. The Pascal source code for the programs is available for viewing and downloading on the Wiley Web site at www.wiley.com/products/subject/mathematics. The site contains a link to the author's own Web site and is also a place where readers may discuss developments on the programs or other aspects of the material. The source files are also available via ftp at ftp://ftp.wiley.com/public/sci_tech_med/stochastic Stochastic Dynamic Programming and the Control of Queueing Systems features: * Path-breaking advances in Markov decision process techniques, brought together for the first time in book form * A theorem/proof format (proofs may be omitted without loss of continuity) * Development of a unified method for the computation of optimal rules of system operation * Numerous examples drawn mainly from the control of queueing systems * Detailed discussions of nine numerical programs * Helpful chapter-end problems * Appendices with complete treatment of background material Queueing networks constitute a large family of stochastic models, involving jobs that enter a network, compete for service, and eventually leave the network upon completion of service. Since the early 1990s, substantial attention has been devoted to the question of when such networks are stable. This volume presents a summary of such work. Emphasis is placed on the use of fluid models in showing stability, and on examples of queueing networks that are unstable even when the arrival rate is less than the service rate. The material of this volume is based on a series of nine lectures given at the Saint-Flour Probability Summer School 2006. Lectures were also given by Alice Guionnet and Steffen Lauritzen.

This book is dedicated to the systematization and development of models, methods, and algorithms for queueing systems with correlated arrivals. After first setting up the basic tools needed for the study of queueing theory, the authors concentrate on complicated systems: multi-server systems with phase type distribution of service time or single-server queues with

arbitrary distribution of service time or semi-Markovian service. They pay special attention to practically important retrial queues, tandem queues, and queues with unreliable servers. Mathematical models of networks and queueing systems are widely used for the study and optimization of various technical, physical, economic, industrial, and administrative systems, and this book will be valuable for researchers, graduate students, and practitioners in these domains.

Analysis and Queueing Systems is a nine-chapter introductory text that considers the applied problem of analyzing queueing systems. This book outlines a sequence of steps, which if properly executed yield an improved design of the system. This book deals first with the development of the necessary background in probability theory and transforms methods. These topics are followed by a presentation of queueing models and how these simple models can be applied in more complex situations. The subsequent chapters survey the development of prescriptive models of queueing systems; the principles of transient analysis; and the modeling techniques for use in analyzing more complex queueing systems. The discussion then shifts to the design of data collection systems and the analysis of data. The last chapter focuses on the development of simulation models.

The progress of science and technology has placed Queueing Theory among the most popular disciplines in applied mathematics, operations research, and engineering. Although queueing has been on the scientific market since the beginning of this century, it is still rapidly expanding by capturing new areas in technology. Advances in Queueing provides a comprehensive overview of problems in this enormous area of science and focuses on the most significant methods recently developed. Written by a team of 24 eminent scientists, the book examines stochastic, analytic, and generic methods such as approximations, estimates and bounds, and simulation. The first chapter presents an overview of classical queueing methods from the birth of queues to the seventies. It also contains the most comprehensive bibliography of books on queueing and telecommunications to date. Each of the following chapters surveys recent methods applied to classes of queueing systems and networks followed by a discussion of open problems and future research directions. Advances in Queueing is a practical reference that allows the reader quick access to the latest methods.

Sample-Path Analysis of Queueing Systems uses a deterministic (sample-path) approach to analyze stochastic systems, primarily queueing systems and more general input-output systems. Among other topics of interest it deals with establishing fundamental relations between asymptotic frequencies and averages, pathwise stability, and insensitivity. These results are utilized to establish useful performance measures. The intuitive deterministic approach of this book will give researchers, teachers, practitioners, and students better insights into many results in queueing theory. The simplicity and intuitive appeal of the arguments will make these results more accessible, with no sacrifice of mathematical rigor. Recent topics such as pathwise stability are also covered in this context. The book consistently takes the point of view of focusing on one sample path of a stochastic process. Hence, it is devoted to providing pure sample-path arguments. With this approach it is possible to separate the issue of the validity of a relationship from issues of existence of limits and/or construction of stationary framework. Generally, in many cases of interest in queueing theory, relations hold, assuming limits exist, and the proofs are elementary and intuitive. In other cases, proofs of the existence of limits will require the heavy machinery of stochastic processes. The authors feel that sample-path analysis can be best used to provide general results that are independent of stochastic assumptions, complemented by use of probabilistic arguments to carry out a more detailed analysis. This book focuses on the first part of the picture. It does however, provide numerous examples that invoke stochastic assumptions, which typically are presented at the ends of the chapters.

The object of queueing theory (or the theory of mass service) is the investigation of stochastic

processes of a special form which are called queueing (or service) processes in this book. Two approaches to the definition of these processes are possible depending on the direction of investigation. In accordance with this fact, the exposition of the subject can be broken up into two self-contained parts. The first of these forms the content of this monograph. . The definition of the queueing processes (systems) to be used here is close to the traditional one and is connected with the introduction of so-called governing random sequences. We will introduce algorithms which describe the governing of a system with the aid of such sequences. Such a definition inevitably becomes rather qualitative since under these conditions a completely formal construction of a stochastic process uniquely describing the evolution of the system would require introduction of a complicated phase space not to mention the difficulties of giving the distribution of such a process on this phase space.

Introduction to Queueing Networks Second Edition Erol Gelenbe, Duke University, North Carolina, USA and Guy Pujolle, University of Versailles, France With new concepts emerging in recent literature, this is a timely update to a highly successful and well established first edition. Queueing networks are particularly important as digital communications continue to grow; this text provides a thorough and comprehensive introduction to the concept of applying mathematical queueing network theory to data communications. New additions: * G-nets, i.e. generalized (or "Gelenbe") queueing networks which allow the analysis of on-line network control functions such as traffic re-routing, * discrete time queueing networks with application to ATM networks As leading authorities in this area, the authors' focus on the practical approach where aspects of queueing theory are applied directly to communications systems and networks. Included is a series of exercises and examples at the end of each chapter as well as a fully annotated bibliography. This book is of particular interest to communications and computer engineers and is essential reading for network managers and administrators. It will also benefit students and researchers in the area of networks, as well as Web server administrators and personal computer users. Visit Our Web Page! <http://www.wiley.com/>

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Understand the Strategic Behavior in Queueing Systems Rational Queueing provides one of the first unified accounts of the dynamic aspects involved in the strategic behavior in queues. It explores the performance of queueing systems where multiple agents, such as customers, servers, and central managers, all act but often in a noncooperative manner. T

Written with students and professors in mind, Analysis of Queues: Methods and Applications combines coverage of classical queueing theory with recent advances in studying stochastic networks. Exploring a broad range of applications, the book contains plenty of solved problems, exercises, case studies, paradoxes, and numerical examples. In addition to the standard single-station and single class discrete queues, the book discusses models for multi-class queues and queueing networks as well as methods based on fluid scaling, stochastic

fluid flows, continuous parameter Markov processes, and quasi-birth-and-death processes, to name a few. It describes a variety of applications including computer-communication networks, information systems, production operations, transportation, and service systems such as healthcare, call centers and restaurants.

Queueing analysis is a vital tool used in the evaluation of system performance. Applications of queueing analysis cover a wide spectrum from bank automated teller machines to transportation and communications data networks. Fully revised, this second edition of a popular book contains the significant addition of a new chapter on Flow & Congestion Control and a section on Network Calculus among other new sections that have been added to remaining chapters. An introductory text, Queueing Modelling Fundamentals focuses on queueing modelling techniques and applications of data networks, examining the underlying principles of isolated queueing systems. This book introduces the complex queueing theory in simple language/proofs to enable the reader to quickly pick up an overview to queueing theory without utilizing the diverse necessary mathematical tools. It incorporates a rich set of worked examples on its applications to communication networks. Features include: Fully revised and updated edition with significant new chapter on Flow and Congestion Control as well-as a new section on Network Calculus A comprehensive text which highlights both the theoretical models and their applications through a rich set of worked examples, examples of applications to data networks and performance curves Provides an insight into the underlying queuing principles and features step-by-step derivation of queueing results Written by experienced Professors in the field Queueing Modelling Fundamentals is an introductory text for undergraduate or entry-level post-graduate students who are taking courses on network performance analysis as well as those practicing network administrators who want to understand the essentials of network operations. The detailed step-by-step derivation of queueing results also makes it an excellent text for professional engineers.

This is a classic book on Queues. First published in 1961 it is clearly and concisely introduces the theory of queueing systems and is still just as relevant today. The monograph is aimed at both students and operational research workers concerned with the practical investigations of queueing, although almost every statistician will find its contents of interest.

Performance Analysis of Queuing and Computer Networks develops simple models and analytical methods from first principles to evaluate performance metrics of various configurations of computer systems and networks. It presents many concepts and results of probability theory and stochastic processes. After an introduction to queues in computer networks, this self-contained book covers important random variables, such as Pareto and Poisson, that constitute models for arrival and service disciplines. It then deals with the equilibrium M/M/1/?queue, which is the simplest queue that is amenable for analysis. Subsequent chapters explore applications of continuous time, state-dependent

single Markovian queues, the M/G/1 system, and discrete time queues in computer networks. The author then proceeds to study networks of queues with exponential servers and Poisson external arrivals as well as the G/M/1 queue and Pareto interarrival times in a G/M/1 queue. The last two chapters analyze bursty, self-similar traffic, and fluid flow models and their effects on queues. Intended for a first course in performance evaluation, this is a self-contained treatment covering all aspects of queueing theory. It starts by introducing readers to the terminology and usefulness of queueing theory and continues by considering Markovian queues in equilibrium, Little's law, reversibility, transient analysis, and computation, plus the M/G/1 queueing system. It then moves on to cover networks of queues, and concludes with techniques for numerical solutions, a discussion of the PANACEA technique, discrete time queueing systems and simulation, and stochastic Petri networks. The whole is backed by case studies of distributed queueing networks arising in industrial applications. This third edition includes a new chapter on self-similar traffic, many new problems, and solutions for many exercises.

This introductory textbook is designed for a one-semester course on queueing theory that does not require a course on stochastic processes as a prerequisite. By integrating the necessary background on stochastic processes with the analysis of models, the work provides a sound foundational introduction to the modeling and analysis of queueing systems for a broad interdisciplinary audience of students in mathematics, statistics, and applied disciplines such as computer science, operations research, and engineering. This edition includes additional topics in methodology and applications. Key features:

- An introductory chapter including a historical account of the growth of queueing theory in more than 100 years.
- A modeling-based approach with emphasis on identification of models
- Rigorous treatment of the foundations of basic models commonly used in applications with appropriate references for advanced topics.
- A chapter on matrix-analytic method as an alternative to the traditional methods of analysis of queueing systems.
- A comprehensive treatment of statistical inference for queueing systems.
- Modeling exercises and review exercises when appropriate.

The second edition of *An Introduction of Queueing Theory* may be used as a textbook by first-year graduate students in fields such as computer science, operations research, industrial and systems engineering, as well as related fields such as manufacturing and communications engineering. Upper-level undergraduate students in mathematics, statistics, and engineering may also use the book in an introductory course on queueing theory. With its rigorous coverage of basic material and extensive bibliography of the queueing literature, the work may also be useful to applied scientists and practitioners as a self-study reference for applications and further research. "...This book has brought a freshness and novelty as it deals mainly with modeling and analysis in applications as well as with statistical inference for queueing problems. With his 40 years of valuable experience in teaching and high level research in this

subject area, Professor Bhat has been able to achieve what he aimed: to make [the work] somewhat different in content and approach from other books." -

Assam Statistical Review of the first edition

The book is composed of two main parts: mathematical background and queueing systems with applications. The mathematical background is a self containing introduction to the stochastic processes of the later studies queueing systems. It starts with a quick introduction to probability theory and stochastic processes and continues with chapters on Markov chains and regenerative processes. More recent advances of queueing systems are based on phase type distributions, Markov arrival processes and quasy birth death processes, which are introduced in the last chapter of the first part. The second part is devoted to queueing models and their applications. After the introduction of the basic Markovian (from M/M/1 to M/M/1//N) and non-Markovian (M/G/1, G/M/1) queueing systems, a chapter presents the analysis of queues with phase type distributions, Markov arrival processes (from PH/M/1 to MAP/PH/1/K). The next chapter presents the classical queueing network results and the rest of this part is devoted to the application examples. There are queueing models for bandwidth charing with different traffic classes, slotted multiplexers, ATM switches, media access protocols like Aloha and IEEE 802.11b, priority systems and retrial systems. An appendix supplements the technical content with Laplace and z transformation rules, Bessel functions and a list of notations. The book contains examples and exercises throughout and could be used for graduate students in engineering, mathematics and sciences.

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