

## Lecture 8 : Loss networks

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## Intensive Care Unit, Ward, ...



Patients with different medical condition require different nurse to patient ratio

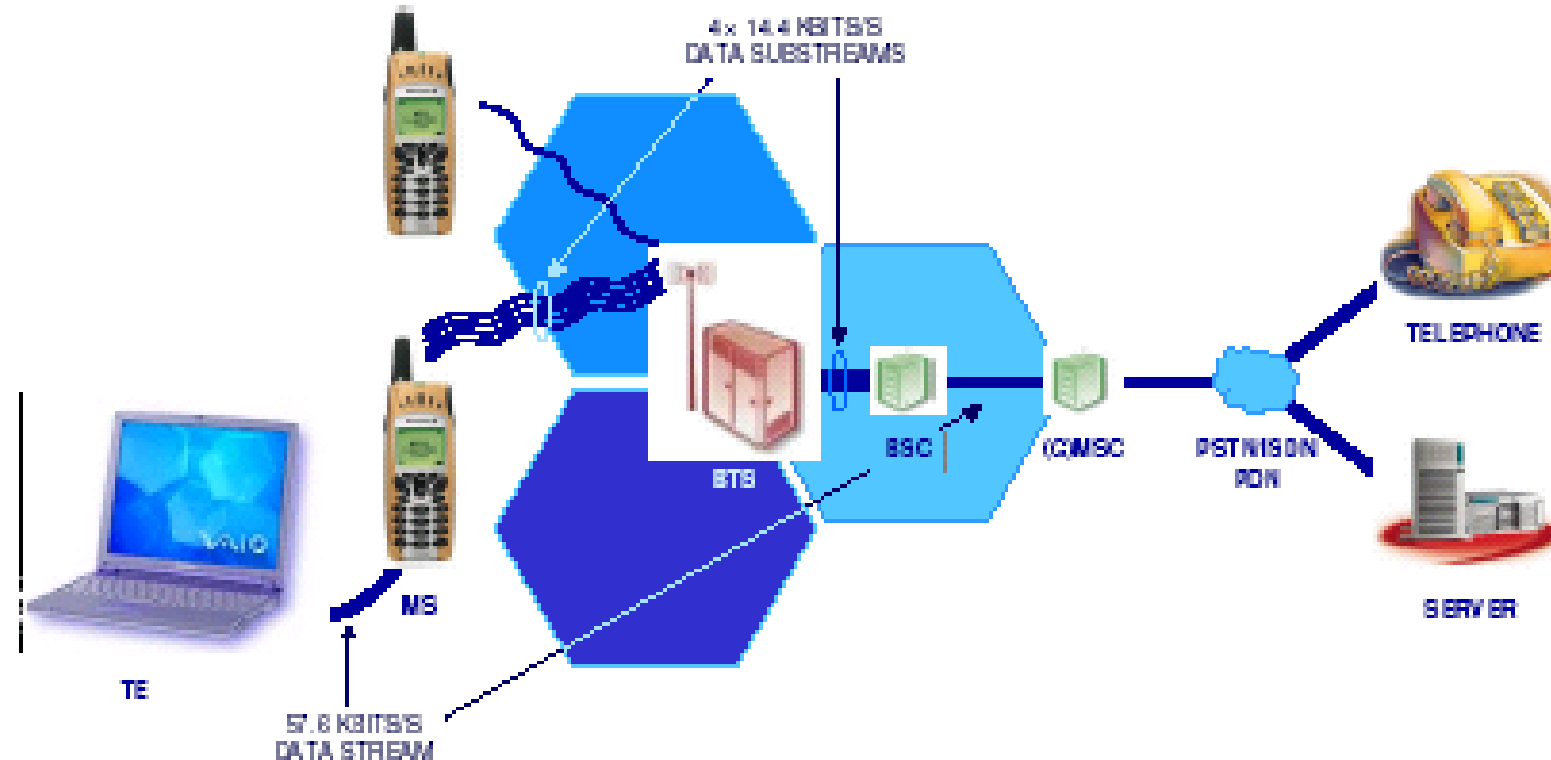
Ranging from 2:1 (2 nurses for 1 patient – ICU) to 1:6 (medical ward)

Mixing of patient classes may be possible in some wards, and (in future) we may use flexible assignment of nurses to wards

Patient requires  $b$  nurses  $1/6 \leq b \leq 2$

Patient accepted iff minimum requirement  $b$  is met: **loss system**

## GSM /HSCSD: High Speed Circuit Switched Data



**Figure 2.1** GSM/HSCSD network architecture: the illustration shows an example data call at an information bit rate of  $4 \times 14.4$  kbits/s, maintained between an HSCSD terminal and a remote server.

## HSCSD characteristics

Multiple types (speech, video, data)  
circuit switched: each call gets number of channels

GSM speech: 1 channel  
data: 1 channel (CS, data rate 9.6 kbps)

GSM/HSCSD speech: 1 channel  
data:  $1 \leq b, \dots, B \leq 8$  channels (technical requirements, data rate 14.4 kbps)

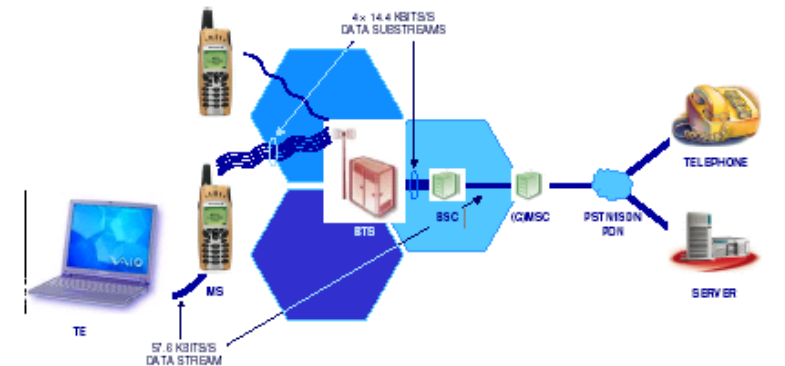
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**Up / downgrading:**

data calls may use more channels (up to  $B$ ) when other services are not using these channels

video: better picture quality, but same video length

data: faster transmission rate, thus smaller transmission time



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## Generalised stochastic knapsack: model

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number of object classes

class  $k$  arrival rate

class  $k$  mean holding time (exp)

class  $k$  size

state (number of objects)

$C$

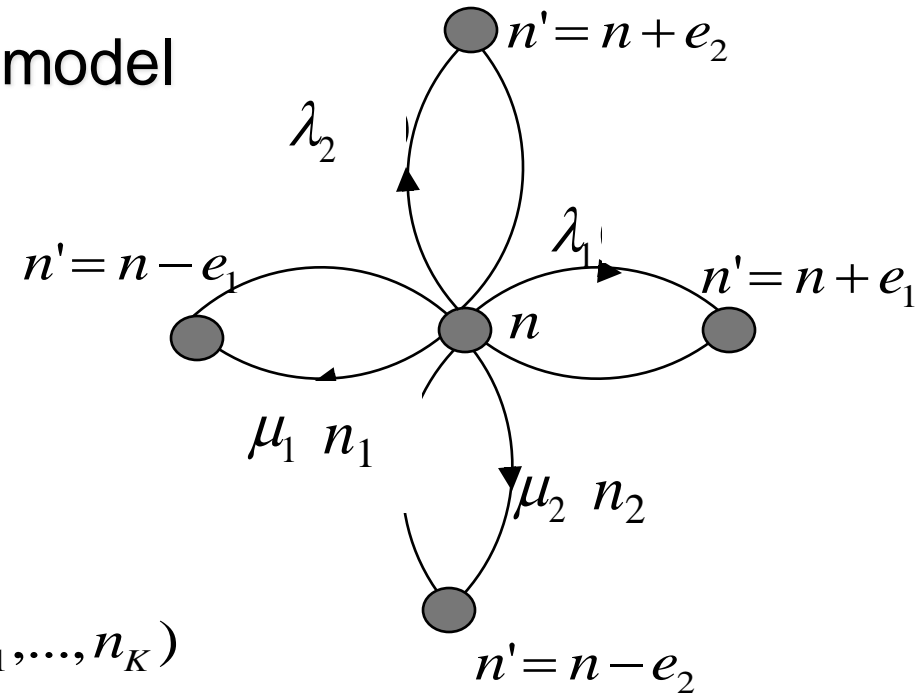
$K$

$\lambda_k$

$1/\mu_k$

$b_k$

$n = (n_1, \dots, n_K)$



state of process at time  $t$

stationary **Markov** process

transition rates

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$$\{X(t), t \geq 0\}$$

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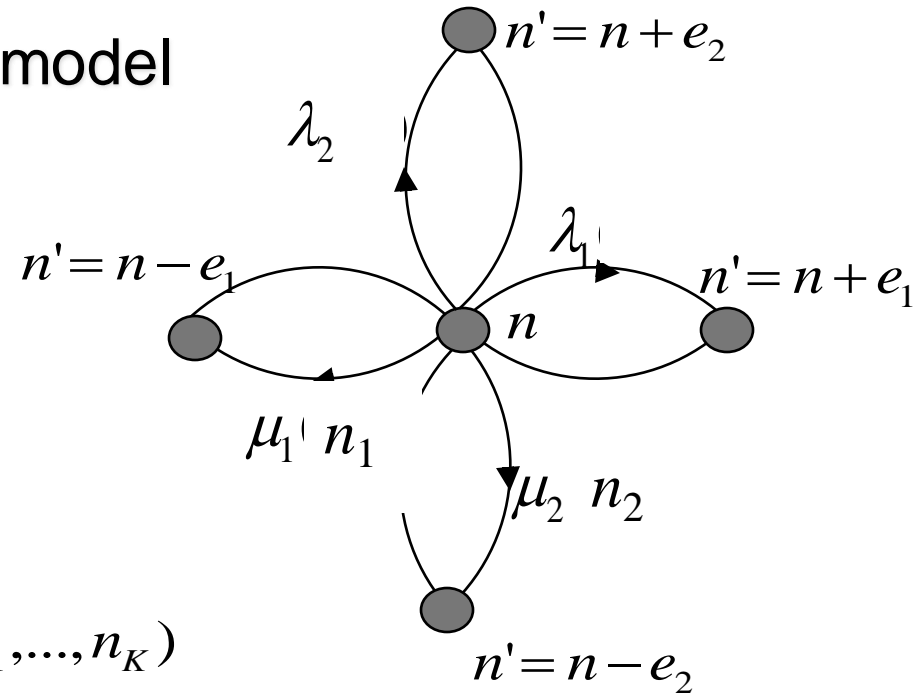
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$b_k \leq C - b \cdot n$

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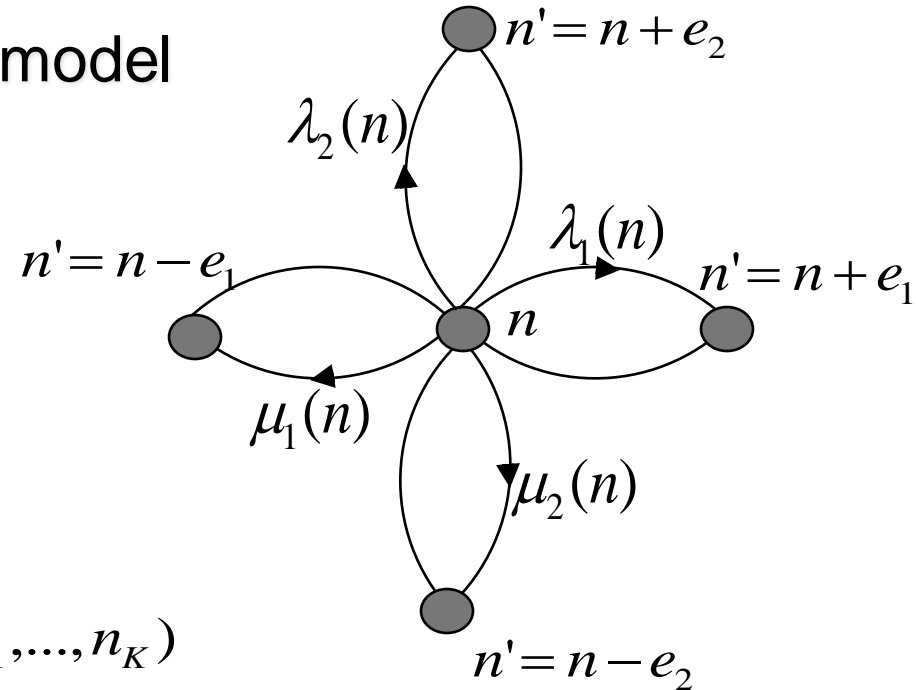
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# Generalised stochastic knapsack: equilibrium distribution

## Theorem 1:

For the generalised stochastic knapsack, a necessary and sufficient condition for reversibility of  $X(t) = (X_1(t), \dots, X_K(t))$  is that

$$\frac{\lambda_k(n)}{\mu_k(n + e_k)} = \frac{\Psi(n + e_k)}{\Psi(n)} \quad \text{for all } n \in S \setminus T_k, k = 1, \dots, K$$

for some function  $\Psi : S \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ . Moreover, when such a function  $\Psi$  exists, the equilibrium distribution for the generalised stochastic knapsack is given by

$$\pi(n) = \frac{\Psi(n)}{\sum_{n \in S} \Psi(n)}, \quad n \in S$$

# Generalised stochastic knapsack: equilibrium distribution

## Proof:

We have to verify detailed balance:  $\pi(n)q(n, n + e_k) = \pi(n + e_k)q(n + e_k, n)$

$$\Leftrightarrow$$

$$\pi(n)\lambda_k(n) = \pi(n + e_k)\mu_k(n + e_k)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow$$

$$\frac{\lambda_k(n)}{\mu_k(n + e_k)} = \frac{\pi(n + e_k)}{\pi(n)}$$

If  $\pi$  exists that satisfies the last expression, then  $\pi$  satisfies detailed balance. As the right hand side of this expression is independent of the index  $k$  it must be that the condition of the theorem involving  $\Psi : S \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is satisfied. Conversely, assume that the condition involving  $\Psi : S \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is satisfied. Then

$$\pi(n) = \frac{\Psi(n)}{\sum_{n \in S} \Psi(n)}, \quad n \in S \quad \text{is the equilibrium distribution.}$$

# Generalised stochastic knapsack: examples

## Stochastic knapsack

$$\lambda_k(n) = \lambda_k 1(b_k \leq C - b \cdot n) \quad n' = n + e_k$$

$$\mu_k(n) = n_k \mu_k \quad n' = n - e_k$$

$$\Psi(n) = \prod_{k=1}^K \frac{\rho_k^{n_k}}{n_k!} 1(b \cdot n \leq C)$$

## Finite source input

$$\lambda_k(n) = (M_k - n_k) \lambda_k 1(n_k \leq M_k) \quad n' = n + e_k$$

$$\mu_k(n) = n_k \mu_k \quad n' = n - e_k$$

$$\Psi(n) = \prod_{k=1}^K \binom{M_k}{n_k} \rho_k^{n_k}$$

## State space constraints

$$\lambda_k(n) = \lambda_k 1(b_k \leq C - b \cdot n; n_k \leq C_k) \quad n' = n + e_k$$

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# Admission control

Admission class  $k$  whenever sufficient room  $b_k \leq C - b \cdot n$  Complete sharing

Simple, but

- may be unfair (some classes monopolize the knapsack resources)

- may lead to poor long-run average revenue (admitted objects may not contribute to revenue)

admission policies: restrict access even when sufficient room available

- calculate performance under policy

- determine optimal policy

Coordinate convex policies

In general: Markov decision theory

# Stochastic knapsack under admission control

## Admission policy

$$f = (f_1, \dots, f_K) \quad f_k : S \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$$

$$f_k(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{class } k \text{ accepted in state } n \\ 0 & \text{class } k \text{ rejected in state } n \end{cases}$$

## Transition rates

$$q(n, n') = \begin{cases} \lambda_k f_k(n) 1(b_k \leq C - b \cdot n) & n' = n + e_k \\ n_k \mu_k & n' = n - e_k \end{cases}$$

## Recurrent states

$$S(f) \subseteq S = \{n : b \cdot n \leq C\}$$

Examples: complete sharing

$$f_k(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & b \cdot n \leq C - b_k \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

trunk reservation

$$f_k(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & b \cdot n \leq C - b_k - t_k \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

# Stochastic knapsack under trunk reservation

trunk reservation admits class  $k$  object iff after admittance at least  $t_k$  resource units remain available  
remain available

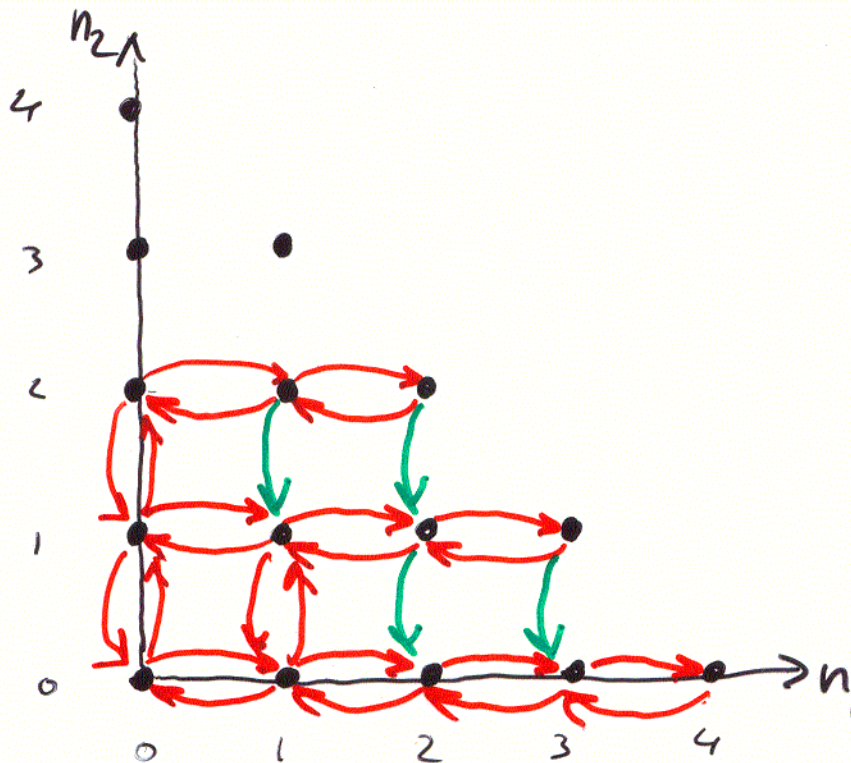
$$C = 4$$

$$K = 2$$

$$b_1 = b_2 = 1$$

$$t_1 = 0$$

$$t_2 = 2$$



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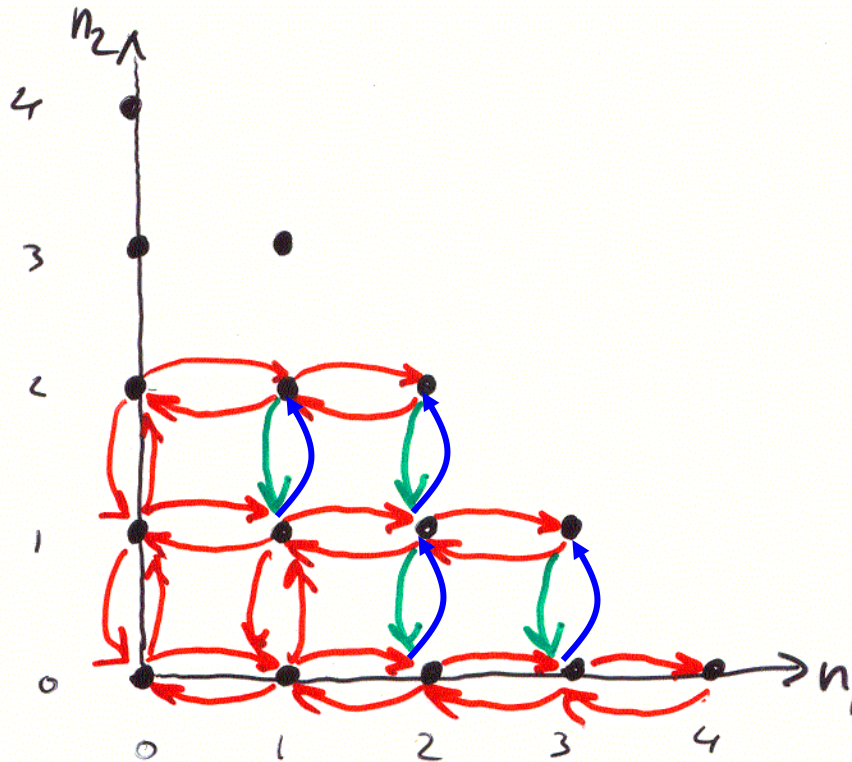
**Not reversible:** so that equilibrium distribution usually not available in closed form



# Stochastic knapsack **coordinate convex policies**

**Coordinate convex set**  $\Omega \subseteq S$  :  $n \in \Omega, n_k > 0 \Rightarrow n - e_k \in \Omega$

**Coordinate convex policy**: admit object iff state process remains in  $\Omega$



$$f_k(n) = 1 \quad \text{iff} \quad n + e_k \in \Omega$$

**Theorem:**

Under the coordinate convex policy  $f$  the state process

$$X_f(t) = (X_1(t), \dots, X_K(t))$$

is **reversible**, and

$$\pi_f(n) = \frac{1}{G_f} \prod_{k=1}^K \frac{\rho_k^{n_k}}{n_k!}, \quad n \in \underline{\Omega}$$

## Coordinate convex policies: **examples**

**Note:** Not all policies are coordinate convex, e.g. trunk reservation

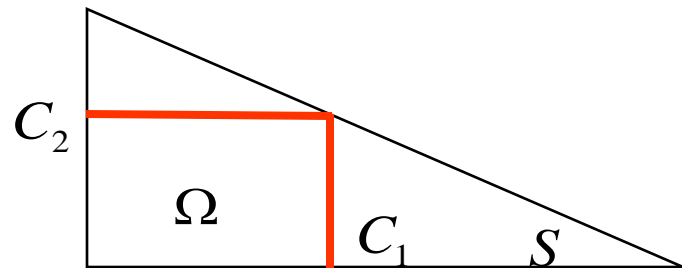
**Complete sharing:** always admit if room available  $\Omega = S$

**Complete partitioning:** accept class  $k$  iff

$$b_k(n_k + 1) \leq C_k$$

$$\Omega = \{0, \dots, \left\lfloor \frac{C_1}{b_1} \right\rfloor\} \times \dots \times \{0, \dots, \left\lfloor \frac{C_K}{b_K} \right\rfloor\}$$

$$C_1 + \dots + C_K \leq C$$

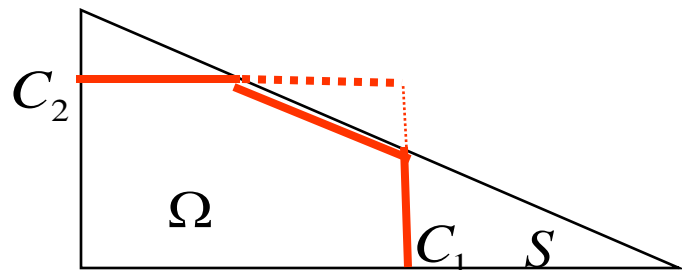


**Threshold policies:** accept class  $k$  iff

$$b_k(n_k + 1) \leq C_k$$

$$b \cdot n + b_k \leq C$$

$$\Omega = \{n : b \cdot n \leq C, n_k \leq \left\lfloor \frac{C_k}{b_k} \right\rfloor, k = 1, \dots, K\}$$



## Coordinate convex policies: revenue optimization

revenue in state  $n$

$$r(n) = \sum_{k=1}^K r_k n_k$$

long run average revenue

$$W(f) = \sum_{n \in \Omega} r(n) \pi_f(n)$$

example: long run average utilization

$$r_k = b_k$$

long run average throughput

$$r_k = \mu_k$$

**Intuition:** optimal policy in special cases

$\lambda_k \downarrow 0 \quad \forall k$       blocking obsolete  $\Rightarrow$  complete sharing

$\lambda_k \rightarrow \infty \quad \forall k$       complete partitioning with  $C_k = b_k s_k^*$

where  $(s_1^*, \dots, s_K^*)$  is the optimal solution of the **knapsack problem**

$$\max \sum_{k=1}^K r_k s_k \quad \text{subject to} \quad \sum_{k=1}^K b_k s_k \leq C \quad s_k \in \mathbb{N}_0$$

If  $C / b_{k^*}$  integer, where  $k^*$  maximizes per unit revenue  $r_k / b_k$  then  $s_k^* = \begin{cases} r_k / b_k & \text{for } k = k^* \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

## Coordinate convex policies: optimal policies

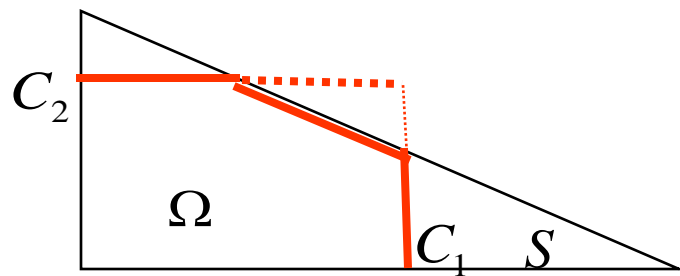
number of coordinate convex policies is finite

thus for each coordinate convex policy  $f$  compute  $W(f)$   
and select  $f$  with highest  $W(f)$

infeasible as number of policies grows as  $O(C_1 \dots C_K)$

show that optimal policy is in certain class

often threshold policies



$$b \cdot n + b_k \leq C$$

$$\Omega = \{n : b \cdot n \leq C, n_k \leq \left\lfloor \frac{C_k}{b_k} \right\rfloor, k = 1, \dots, K\}$$

then problem reduces to finding optimal thresholds

in full generality: Markov decision theory

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So far: stochastic knapsack

- equilibrium distribution

- blocking probabilities

- throughput

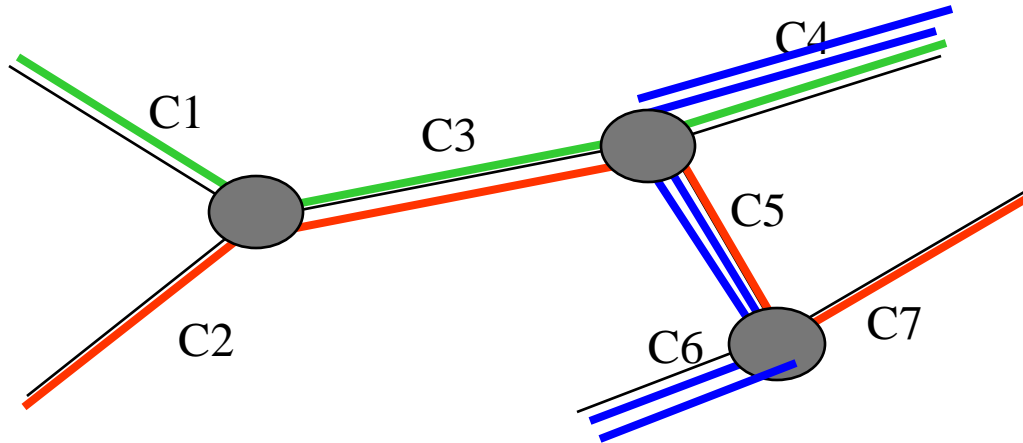
- admission control

- coordinate convex policy -- complex state space

model for multi service **single link**

multi service **multiple links / networks**

## PSTN / ISDN



Link: connection between switches

Route: number of links

Capacity  $C_i$  of link  $i$

Call class: route, bandwidth requirement per link

or in medical setting: patient simultaneously requires various resources

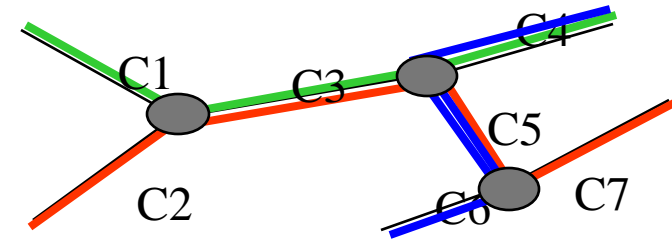
Stochastic knapsack: special case = model for single link

But: is special case of generalised stochastic knapsack

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## Loss network : notation

number of links

$J$

capacity (bandwidth units) link  $j$

$C_j$

number of object classes

$K$

class  $k$  arrival rate

$\lambda_k$

class  $k$  mean holding time (exp)

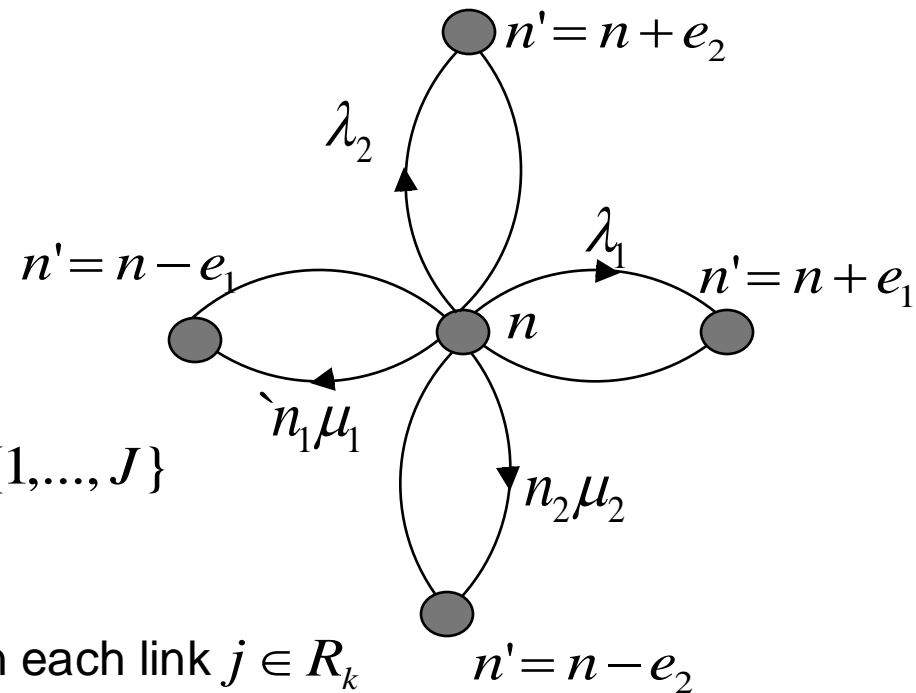
$1/\mu_k$

bandwidth req. class  $k$  on link  $j$

$b_{jk}$

Route

$R_k \subseteq \{1, \dots, J\}$



Class  $k$  **admitted** iff  $b_{jk}$  bandwidth units free in each link  $j \in R_k$

Otherwise call is **blocked** and cleared

Admitted call occupies  $b_{jk}$  bandwidth units in each link  $j \in R_k$  for duration of its **holding time**

## Loss network : notation

Set of classes

$$\mathbf{K} = \{1, \dots, K\}$$

set of classes that uses link  $j$

$$\mathbf{K}_j = \{k \in \mathbf{K} : j \in R_k\}$$

state

$$n = (n_1, \dots, n_K)$$

state space

$$S = \{n \in \mathbf{N}_0^K : \sum_{k \in \mathbf{K}_j} b_{jk} n_k \leq C_j, \quad j = 1, \dots, J\}$$

$$S = \{n \in \mathbf{N}_0^K : An \leq C\} \quad A = (b_{jk})$$

class  $k$  blocked

$$T_k = \{n \in S : \sum_{\ell \in \mathbf{K}_j} b_{j\ell} n_\ell + b_{jk} > C_j, \quad \text{some } j\}$$

$$T_k = \{n \in \mathbf{N}_0^K : An \leq C, \quad A(n + e_k) \not\leq C\}$$

## Loss network : notation

state of process at time  $t$

$$X(t) = (X_1(t), \dots, X_K(t))$$

stationary **Markov** process

$$\{X(t), t \geq 0\}$$

aperiodic, irreducible

equilibrium state

$$X = (X_1, \dots, X_K)$$

utilization of link  $j$

$$U_j := \sum_{k \in K_j} b_{jk} X_k$$

long run fraction of blocked calls

$$B_k = 1 - \Pr\{U_j \leq C_j - b_{jk}, j \in R_k\}$$

**PASTA**

long run throughput

$$TH_k = \lambda_k (1 - B_k) = \mu_k E[X_k]$$

**Little**

unconstrained cousin ( $\infty$  **capacity**)

$$X^\infty = (X^\infty_1, \dots, X^\infty_K)$$

Poisson r.v. with mean

$$\rho_k = \lambda_k / \mu_k$$

unconstrained cousin of utilization

$$U^\infty_j := \sum_{k \in K_j} b_{jk} X^\infty_k$$

# Equilibrium distribution

## Theorem: Product form equilibrium distribution

$$\Pr\{X = n\} = \frac{1}{G} \prod_{k=1}^K \frac{\rho_k^{n_k}}{n_k!} = \frac{\Pr\{X^\infty = n\}}{\Pr\{U^\infty \leq C\}}, \quad n \in S$$

$$G = \sum_{n \in S} \prod_{k=1}^K \frac{\rho_k^{n_k}}{n_k!}, \quad n \in S$$

Blocking probability of class  $k$  call

$$B_k = 1 - \frac{\sum_{n \in S \setminus T_k} \Pr\{X = n\}}{\sum_{n \in S} \Pr\{X = n\}} = 1 - \frac{\sum_{n \in S \setminus T_k} \prod_{\ell=1}^K \frac{\rho_\ell^{n_\ell}}{n_\ell!}}{\sum_{n \in S} \prod_{\ell=1}^K \frac{\rho_\ell^{n_\ell}}{n_\ell!}}$$

$V, C$  vectors

The Markov chain is **reversible**, **PASTA** holds, and the equilibrium distribution (and the blocking probabilities) are **insensitive**.

**PROOF:** special case of generalised stochastic knapsack!

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# Computing blocking probabilities

**Direct summation** is possible, but complexity  $O(KC_1...C_J)$

**Recursion** is possible (KR), but complexity  $O(KC_1...C_J)$

**Bounds for single service loss networks** (  $b_{jk} \in \{0,1\}$  )

For link  $j$  in loss network: probability that call on link  $j$  is blocked

$$L_j \leq Er(\bar{\rho}_j, C_j) = \frac{\bar{\rho}_j^{C_j} / C_j!}{\sum_{k=0}^{C_j} \bar{\rho}_j^k / k!}, \quad \bar{\rho}_j = \sum_{k \in K_j} \rho_k = \sum_{k \in K} b_{jk} \rho_k$$

load offered to link  $j$   
**facility bound**

Call of class  $k$  blocked if not accepted at all links

$$B_k \leq 1 - \prod_{j \in R_k} (1 - Er(\bar{\rho}_j, C_j))$$

**product bound**

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# Computing blocking probabilities: single service networks

## Reduced load approximation

Facility bound 
$$L_j \leq Er(\sum_{k \in K_j} \rho_k, C_j)$$

Part of offered load  $\sum_{k \in K_j} \rho_k$  blocked on other links : 
$$L_j = Er(\sum_{k \in K_j} t_k(j) \rho_k, C_j)$$

$t_k(j)$  probability at least one unit of bandwidth available in each link in  $R_k \setminus \{j\}$

$\rho_k t_k(j)$  reduced load

approximation: blocking independent from link to link 
$$t_k(j) = \prod_{i \in R_k \setminus \{j\}} (1 - L_i)$$

reduced load approximation

existence, uniqueness fixed point  
repeated substitution  
accuracy

$$L_j = Er(\sum_{k \in K_j} \rho_k \prod_{i \in R_k \setminus \{j\}} (1 - L_i), C_j), \quad j = 1, \dots, J$$

$$B_k = 1 - \prod_{j \in R_k} (1 - L_j), \quad k = 1, \dots, K$$



## Reduced load approximation: existence and uniqueness

Notation:  $L := (L_1, \dots, L_J)$

$$T_j(L) := Er\left(\sum_{k \in K_j} \rho_k \prod_{i \in R_k \setminus \{j\}} (1 - L_i), C_j\right)$$

$$T(L) := (T_1(L), \dots, T_J(L))$$

**Theorem** There **exists** a **unique** solution  $L^*$  to the **fixed point equation**  $L = T(L)$

**Proof** The mapping  $T : [0,1]^J \rightarrow [0,1]^J$  is continuous, so **existence** from Brouwer's theorem

$T$  is not a contraction!

## Reduced load approximation: uniqueness

Notation:

$Er^{-1}_j(B)$  inverse of  $Er$  for capacity  $C_j$  : value of  $\rho$  such that  $B = Er(\rho, C_j)$   
 is strictly increasing function of  $B$

Therefore  $\int_0^B Er^{-1}_j(z)dz$  is strictly convex function of  $B$  for  $B \in [0,1]$

**Proof of uniqueness:**

consider fixed point  $L = T(L)$  and apply  $Er^{-1}_j$  :  $Er^{-1}_j(L_j) := \mathring{a}_{k \in K_j} \tilde{O}_{i \in R_k \setminus \{j\}} (1 - L_i)$  (\*)

Define  $\forall L \in [0,1]^J$

$$\psi(L) := \mathring{a}_{k \in K_j} \tilde{O}_{i \in R_k} (1 - L_i) + \mathring{a}_{j=1}^J \int_0^{L_j} Er^{-1}_j(z)dz$$

which is strictly convex.

Thus, if  $L^* \in [0,1]^J$  is solution of  $\frac{\partial \psi(L)}{\partial L_i} = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, J$

Then  $L^*$  is unique minimum of  $\psi$  over  $[0,1]^J$

writing out the partial derivatives yields (\*)

## Reduced load approximation: repeated substitution

Start  $L \in [0,1]^J$

Repeat  $L^0 := L$

$$L^m := T(L^{m-1}), \quad m = 1, 2, \dots$$

$$T_j(L) := \text{Er} \left( \overset{\circ}{a}_{k \hat{K}_j} r_k \bar{O}_{i \hat{R}_k \setminus \{j\}} (1 - L_i), C_j \right)$$

**Theorem** Let  $L^0 = (1, \dots, 1)$

Then  $(0, \dots, 0) = L^1 < L^{2n+1} < L^{2n+3} < L^* < L^{2n+2} < L^{2n} < L^0 = (1, \dots, 1)$

Thus  $L^{2n} \rightarrow L^+$ ,  $L^{2n+1} \rightarrow L^-$ ,  $L^- \leq L^* \leq L^+$

**Proof**

$T$  is *decreasing* operator:  $T(L) < T(L')$  if  $L' < L$  componentwise

Thus  $T^{2n}(L) < T^{2n}(L')$  and

$T^{2n+1}(L) > T^{2n+1}(L')$  if  $L' < L$  componentwise

## Reduced load approximation: accuracy

**Corollary**  $L_j^* \in \text{Er}(\overset{\circ}{a}_{k \in K_j} r_k, C_j)$

$$T_j(L) := \text{Er}(\overset{\circ}{a}_{k \in K_j} r_k \bar{O}_{i \in R_k \setminus \{j\}}(1 - L_i), C_j)$$

so that  $B_k = 1 - \bar{O}_{j \in R_k}(1 - L_j^*) \in 1 - \bar{O}_{j \in R_k} \text{Er}(\overset{\circ}{a}_{k \in K_j} r_k, C_j), \quad k = 1, \dots, K$

**Proof**  $T_j^2(1 \dots 1) = T(0 \dots 0) = \text{Er}(\overset{\circ}{a}_{k \in K_j} r_k, C_j)$

$$(0, \dots, 0) = L^1 < L^{2n+1} < L^* < L^{2n} < L^0 = (1, \dots, 1)$$

$$L^2 = T(0, \dots, 0)$$

Indeed  $B_k$  from reduced load approximation does not violate the upper bound

## Plan for today

- 1 multiple services, single cell / link -- HSCSD
- 2 Generalised stochastic knapsack
- 3 Admission control
- 4 GSM network / PSTN network
- 5 Model, Equilibrium distribution
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# Monte Carlo summation

For performance measures: compute equilibrium distribution

$$\Pr\{X = n\} = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^K \frac{r_k^{n_k}}{n_k!}}{\sum_{n \in S} \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{r_k^{n_k}}{n_k!}}, \quad n \in S$$

for blocking probability of class  $k$  call

$$B_k = \frac{\sum_{n \in T_k} \sum_{\ell=1}^K \frac{r_\ell^{n_\ell}}{n_\ell!}}{\sum_{n \in S} \sum_{\ell=1}^K \frac{r_\ell^{n_\ell}}{n_\ell!}}$$

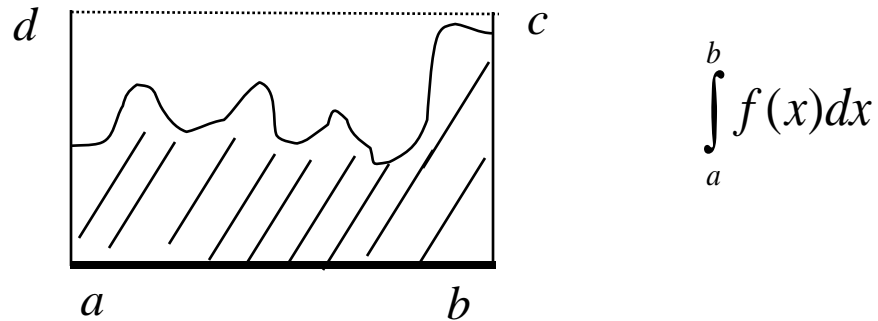
In general: evaluate

$$\sum_{n \in U} \sum_{\ell=1}^K \frac{r_\ell^{n_\ell}}{n_\ell!}$$

difficult due to size of the state space : use Monte Carlo summation

# Monte Carlo summation

## Example: evaluate integral



## Monte Carlo summation:

draw points at random in box abcd

# points under curve / # points is measure for surface //// = value integral

## Method

Let  $X = U(a, b)$   $Y = U(0, c)$  indep, and let  $Z = 1(Y \leq f(X))$

draw  $n$  indep. Samples  $Z_1, \dots, Z_n$

Then  $\bar{Z} = \frac{Z_1 + \dots + Z_n}{n}$  unbiased estimator of  $\frac{1}{c(b-a)} \int_a^b f(x)dx$

with 95% confidence interval  $\left[ \bar{Z} \pm 1.96 \sqrt{S^2(n)/n} \right]$

Powerful method: as accurate as desired

# Monte Carlo summation

For blocking probabilities

$$B_k = \frac{\sum_{n \in T_k} \prod_{\ell=1}^K \frac{r_\ell^{n_\ell}}{n_\ell!} e^{-\rho_\ell}}{\sum_{n \in S} \prod_{\ell=1}^K \frac{r_\ell^{n_\ell}}{n_\ell!} e^{-\rho_\ell}}$$

ratio of multidimensional Poisson(  $\rho$  ) distributed r.v.

Let  $X = \text{Poisson}(\rho)$  then

$$B_k = \frac{\Pr\{X(\rho) \in T_k\}}{\Pr\{X(\rho) \in S\}}$$

Estimate numerator and denominator via Monte Carlo summation:

draw  $V_i$  from  $\text{Poisson}(r)$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$  iid

Let  $g(V_i) = 1(V_i \in U)$

$$Eg(V) = \Pr\{X(r) \in U\} = \sum_{n \in U} \prod_{\ell=1}^K \frac{r_\ell^{n_\ell}}{n_\ell!} e^{-r_\ell}$$

for  $U = T_k$  and  $U = S$

confidence interval?



# Monte Carlo summation

For blocking probabilities

$$B_k = \frac{\sum_{n \in T_k} \prod_{\ell=1}^K \frac{r_\ell^{n_\ell}}{n_\ell!} e^{-\rho_\ell}}{\sum_{n \in S} \prod_{\ell=1}^K \frac{r_\ell^{n_\ell}}{n_\ell!} e^{-\rho_\ell}}$$

Estimate numerator and denominator via Monte Carlo summation:

confidence interval? Harvey-Hills method (acceptance rejection method HH)

$$B_k = \frac{\Pr\{X(\rho) \in T_k\}}{\Pr\{X(\rho) \in S\}} = \Pr\{X(\rho) \in T_k \mid X(\rho) \in S\}$$

draw  $V_i$  from  $\text{Poisson}(\rho)$ ,  $i=1, \dots, n$  iid  
 if sample  $\notin S$  ignore  
 if sample  $\in S$  count  
     if sample also  $\in T_k$  count as success

unbiased estimator!

$$g(V_i) = 1(V_i \in T_k \mid V_i \in S)$$

$$Eg(V) = B_k$$

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