

Analysis of tandem fluid queues

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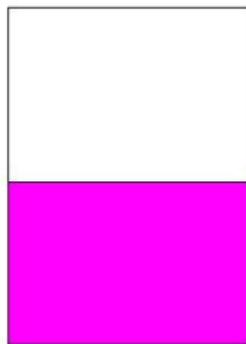
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Model: two fluid queues driven by $\varphi(t)$

- CTMC $\varphi(t)$ with finite state space S , generator \mathbf{T}
- Two fluid queues, contents $X(t)$ and $Y(t)$, both $\in [0, \infty)$



Buffer X



Buffer Y

First queue $X(t)$ driven by $\varphi(t)$

- $(\varphi(t), X(t))$ is standard fluid queue
- Fluid rates in $\mathbf{R} = \text{diag}(r_i)_{i \in \mathcal{S}}$

$$\frac{d}{dt}X(t) = r_{\varphi(t)} \quad \text{when } X(t) > 0,$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}X(t) = \max(0, r_{\varphi(t)}) \quad \text{when } X(t) = 0.$$

- $\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{S}_+ \cup \mathcal{S}_- \cup \mathcal{S}_0$, e.g. $\mathcal{S}_+ = \{i \in \mathcal{S} : r_i > 0\}$
(upstates, downstates, zero-states)
- also: $\mathcal{S}_\ominus = \mathcal{S}_- \cup \mathcal{S}_0$ (“zero-states at $X(t) = 0$ ”)
- after ordering,

$$\mathbf{T} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{T}_{++} & \mathbf{T}_{+-} & \mathbf{T}_{+0} \\ \mathbf{T}_{-+} & \mathbf{T}_{--} & \mathbf{T}_{-0} \\ \mathbf{T}_{0+} & \mathbf{T}_{0-} & \mathbf{T}_{00} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Second queue $Y(t)$ driven by $(\varphi(t), X(t))$

- $Y(t)$ increases when $X(t) > 0$, at rate $\hat{c}_i > 0$
- $Y(t)$ decreases when $X(t) = 0$, at rate $\check{c}_i < 0$ (unless $Y(t) = 0$)
- So

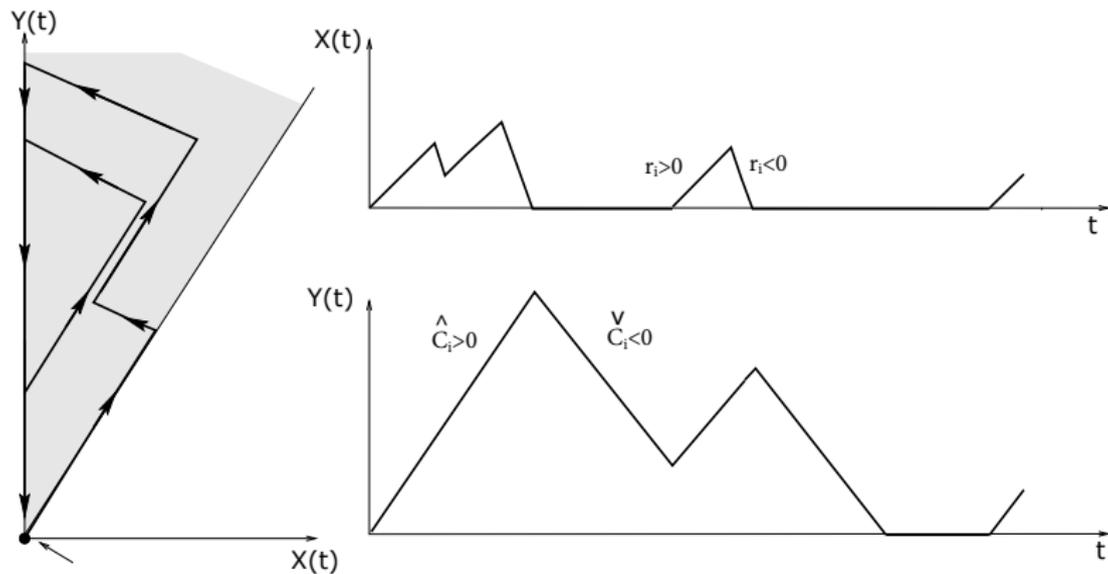
$$\frac{d}{dt} Y(t) = \hat{c}_{\varphi(t)} > 0 \quad \text{when } X(t) > 0,$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} Y(t) = \check{c}_{\varphi(t)} < 0 \quad \text{when } X(t) = 0, Y(t) > 0,$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} Y(t) = \hat{c}_{\varphi(t)} \cdot \mathbf{1}\{\varphi(t) \in \mathcal{S}_+\} \quad \text{when } X(t) = 0, Y(t) = 0.$$

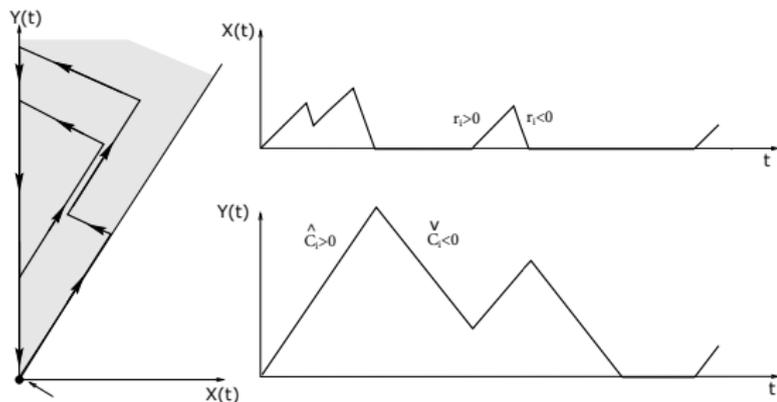
- $\hat{\mathbf{C}} = \text{diag}(\hat{c}_i)_{i \in \mathcal{S}}$ and $\check{\mathbf{C}} = \text{diag}(\check{c}_i)_{i \in \mathcal{S}}$

Special case: $\mathcal{S}_\circ = \emptyset$, $|\mathcal{S}_+| = |\mathcal{S}_-| = 1$, $\hat{\mathbf{C}} = -\check{\mathbf{C}} = \mathbf{I}$



[Kroese and Scheinhardt. Joint Distributions for Interacting Fluid Queues, *Queueing Systems*, 2001]

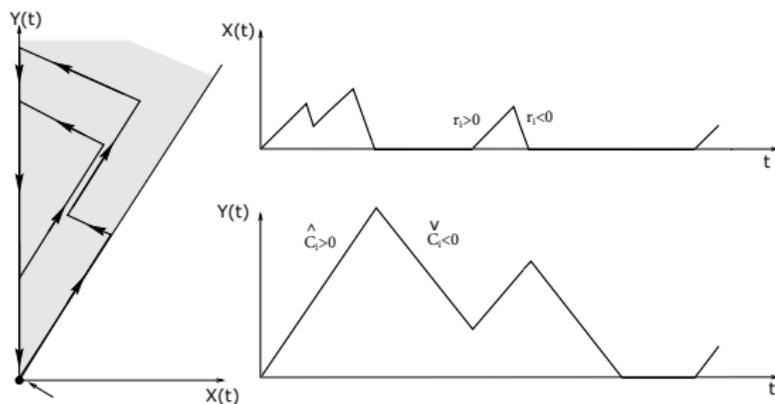
Qualitative behaviour



Assuming stability (see paper) process $(\varphi(t), X(t), Y(t))$ alternates between:

- (i) periods on $x = 0$
- (ii) periods on $x > 0$

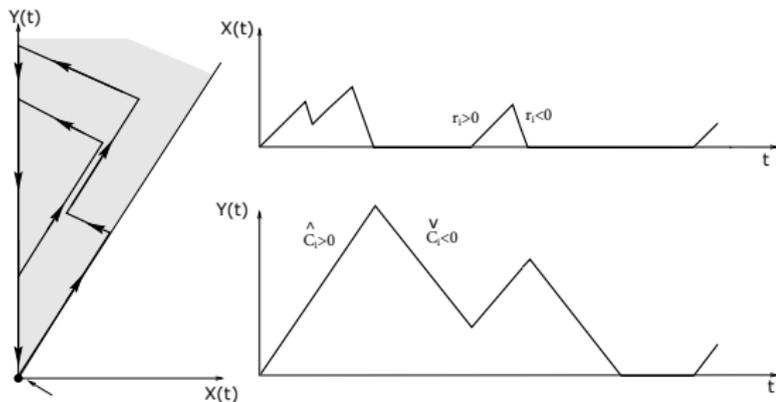
Qualitative behaviour (i) on $x = 0$



(i) periods on $x = 0$

- $Y(t)$ decreasing, unless at $x = 0, y = 0$
- $\varphi(t)$ in \mathcal{S}_\ominus
- starts at $x = 0, y > 0$, with $\varphi(t)$ in \mathcal{S}_-
- ends at $x = 0, y \geq 0$, with $\varphi(t)$ jumping from \mathcal{S}_\ominus to \mathcal{S}_+

Qualitative behaviour (ii) on $x > 0$



(ii) periods on $x > 0$

- $Y(t)$ increasing (while $X(t)$ can either increase or decrease)
- $\varphi(t)$ in \mathcal{S} (any phase)
- starts at $x = 0, y \geq 0$, with $\varphi(t) \in \mathcal{S}_+$
- ends at $x = 0, y > 0$, with $\varphi(t) \in \mathcal{S}_-$

Stationary distribution

has following form (all *vectors* with $|\mathcal{S}|$ components):

- (i)
 - 1-dimensional densities $\pi(0, y)$
 at $x = 0, y > 0$
 - point masses $\mathbf{p}(0, 0)$
 at $(0, 0)$
- (ii)
 - 2-dimensional densities $\pi(x, y)$
 on $\{(x, y) : x > 0, y > x \cdot \min_{i \in \mathcal{S}_+} \{\widehat{c}_i / r_i\}\}$
 - 1-dimensional density $\pi^i(x, x\widehat{c}_i / r_i)$
 on line $y = x\widehat{c}_i / r_i, i \in \mathcal{S}_+$

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Approach

Several steps:

- Introduce embedded discrete-time process J_k
- Find its stationary distribution ξ_y
- Take a deep breath...
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Intermezzo (i) on down-shift: $\check{Q}_{\ominus\ominus}$ and $\check{Q}_{\ominus+}$

Define generator matrix

$$\check{Q}_{\ominus\ominus} = (|\check{C}_{\ominus}|)^{-1} \mathbf{T}_{\ominus\ominus},$$

then for $i, j \in S_{\ominus}$, and $z > 0$,

$$[e^{\check{Q}_{\ominus\ominus} z}]_{ij} = P(\varphi(t_z) = j, \varphi(u) \in S_{\ominus}, 0 \leq u \leq t_z \mid \varphi(0) = i, X(0) = 0)$$

Also,

$$\check{Q}_{\ominus+} = (|\check{C}_{\ominus}|)^{-1} \mathbf{T}_{\ominus+},$$

is a matrix of transition rates (w.r.t. level) to phases in S_+
(for times at which X and Y start increasing)

[Bean, O'Reilly and Taylor. Hitting probabilities and hitting times for stochastic fluid flows, *SPA* 2005]

Intermezzo (ii) on up-shift: $\widehat{\mathbf{Q}}(s)$ and $\widehat{\Psi}(s)$

Let $\theta = \inf\{t > 0 : X(t) = 0\}$ and $U(t) = \int_{u=0}^t \widehat{c}_{\varphi(u)} du$, then $U(\theta)$ is total up-shift in Y during Busy Period of X

Its $|\mathcal{S}_+| \times |\mathcal{S}_-|$ density matrix $\widehat{\psi}(z)$ is given via LST

$$\widehat{\Psi}(s) = \int_{z=0}^{\infty} e^{-sz} \widehat{\psi}(z) dz,$$

as

$$[\widehat{\Psi}(s)]_{ij} = E(e^{-sU(\theta)} \mathbf{1}\{\varphi(\theta) = j\} \mid \varphi(0) = i, X(0) = 0),$$

[Bean and O'Reilly. A stochastic two-dimensional fluid model, *Stochastic Models*, 2013]

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To find $\widehat{\Psi}(s)$ define Key generator matrix $\widehat{\mathbf{Q}}(s)$, as

$$\widehat{\mathbf{Q}}(s) = \begin{bmatrix} \widehat{\mathbf{Q}}(s)_{++} & \widehat{\mathbf{Q}}(s)_{+-} \\ \widehat{\mathbf{Q}}(s)_{-+} & \widehat{\mathbf{Q}}(s)_{--} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\widehat{\mathbf{Q}}(s)_{++} = (\mathbf{R}_+)^{-1} \left(\mathbf{T}_{++} - s\widehat{\mathbf{C}}_+ - \mathbf{T}_{+o}(\mathbf{T}_{oo} - s\widehat{\mathbf{C}}_o)^{-1}\mathbf{T}_{o+} \right)$$

$$\widehat{\mathbf{Q}}(s)_{+-} = (\mathbf{R}_+)^{-1} \left(\mathbf{T}_{+-} - \mathbf{T}_{+o}(\mathbf{T}_{oo} - s\widehat{\mathbf{C}}_o)^{-1}\mathbf{T}_{o-} \right)$$

$$\widehat{\mathbf{Q}}(s)_{-+} = (|\mathbf{R}_-|)^{-1} \left(\mathbf{T}_{-+} - \mathbf{T}_{-o}(\mathbf{T}_{oo} - s\widehat{\mathbf{C}}_o)^{-1}\mathbf{T}_{o+} \right)$$

$$\widehat{\mathbf{Q}}(s)_{--} = (|\mathbf{R}_-|)^{-1} \left(\mathbf{T}_{--} - s\widehat{\mathbf{C}}_- - \mathbf{T}_{-o}(\mathbf{T}_{oo} - s\widehat{\mathbf{C}}_o)^{-1}\mathbf{T}_{o-} \right)$$

Then $\widehat{\Psi}(s)$ is minimum nonnegative solution of Riccati eq.

$$\widehat{\mathbf{Q}}(s)_{+-} + \widehat{\mathbf{Q}}(s)_{++}\widehat{\Psi}(s) + \widehat{\Psi}(s)\widehat{\mathbf{Q}}(s)_{--} + \widehat{\Psi}(s)\widehat{\mathbf{Q}}(s)_{-+}\widehat{\Psi}(s) = \mathbf{O},$$

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Back on track... Embedded process J_k

Let $J_k = (\varphi(\theta_k), Y(\theta_k))$, with state space $S_- \times (0, \infty)$, where θ_k is k -th time that $(\varphi(t), X(t), Y(t))$ hits $x = 0$

Lemma

The transition kernel of J_k is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{P}_{z,y} = & \int_{u=[z-y]^+}^z [\mathbf{I} \quad \mathbf{0}] e^{\check{\mathbf{Q}}_{\ominus\ominus} u} \check{\mathbf{Q}}_{\ominus+} \hat{\psi}(y - z + u) du \\ & + [\mathbf{I} \quad \mathbf{0}] e^{\check{\mathbf{Q}}_{\ominus\ominus} z} (-\check{\mathbf{Q}}_{\ominus\ominus})^{-1} \check{\mathbf{Q}}_{\ominus+} \hat{\psi}(y). \end{aligned}$$

where $[x]^+$ denotes $\max(0, x)$, and $[\mathbf{I} \quad \mathbf{0}]$ is a $|S_-| \times |S_{\ominus}|$ matrix.

Embedded process J_k

Proof. Based on Lindley-type recursion,

$$Y(\theta_{k+1}) = [Y(\theta_k) - D_k]^+ + U_k, \quad (1)$$

where

$$D_k = \int_{u=\theta_k}^{\tau_k} |\check{c}_{\varphi(u)}| du, \quad U_k = \int_{u=\tau_k}^{\theta_{k+1}} \hat{c}_{\varphi(u)} du$$

So (i) $Y(t)$ first has down-shift $-D$, as long as $\varphi(t) \in \mathcal{S}_\ominus$

(ii) after jump $\mathcal{S}_\ominus \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_+$, $Y(t)$ has up-shift U , during busy period of X .

Then use previous knowledge; note that J_k moves from (i, z) to (j, y) without or with returning to 0 during (θ_k, θ_{k+1}) . \square

Embedded process J_k

Corollary

The Laplace-Stieltjes transform of $\mathbf{P}_{z,y}$ w.r.t. y is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{P}_{z,\cdot}(s) &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{O} \end{bmatrix} e^{-sz} \left(\check{\mathbf{Q}}_{\ominus\ominus} + s\mathbf{I} \right)^{-1} \left(e^{(\check{\mathbf{Q}}_{\ominus\ominus} + s\mathbf{I})z} - \mathbf{I} \right) \\ &\quad \times \check{\mathbf{Q}}_{\ominus+} \hat{\Psi}(s) \\ &\quad + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{O} \end{bmatrix} e^{\check{\mathbf{Q}}_{\ominus\ominus}z} (-\check{\mathbf{Q}}_{\ominus\ominus})^{-1} \check{\mathbf{Q}}_{\ominus+} \hat{\Psi}(s). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Using lemma, or based on (1) directly □

Embedded process J_k – stationary distribution ξ_y

Stationary distribution of J_k is given by row vector $\xi_z = [\xi_{i,z}]_{i \in \mathcal{S}_-}$ of densities, satisfying

$$\begin{cases} \int_{z=0}^{\infty} \xi_z \mathbf{P}_{z,y} dz & = \xi_y \\ \int_{y=0}^{\infty} \xi_y dy \mathbf{1} & = \mathbf{1}, \end{cases}$$

Will be solved numerically.

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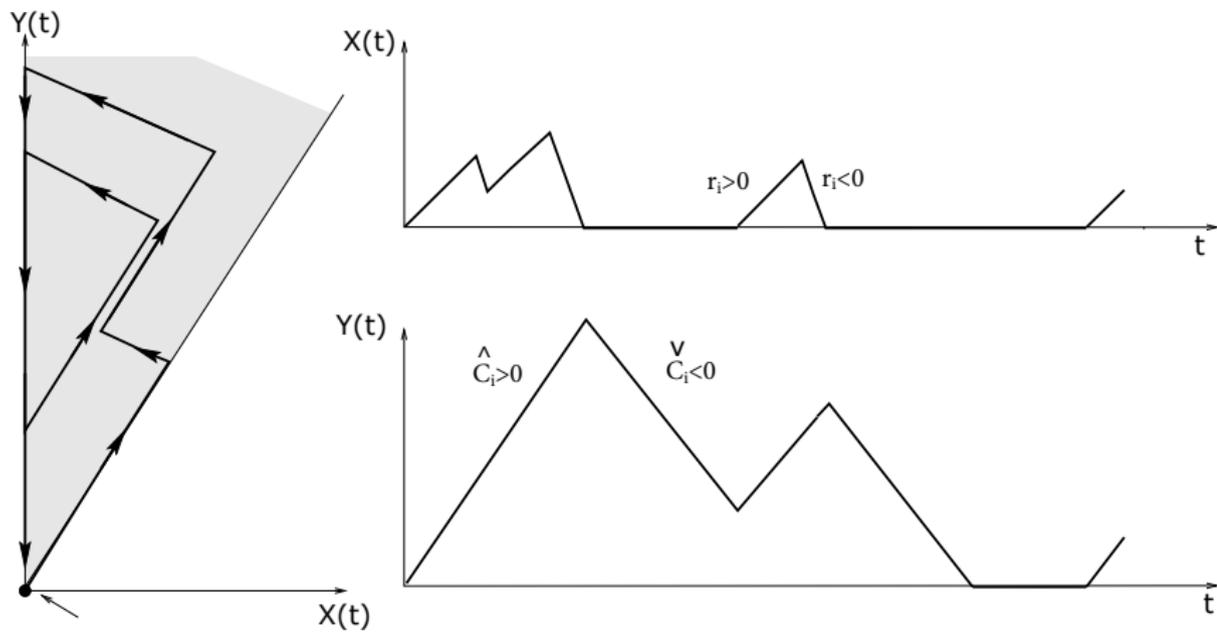
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$$\pi(0, y)_\ominus = \alpha \int_{z=y}^{\infty} [\xi_z \quad \mathbf{0}] e^{\check{\mathbf{Q}}_{\ominus\ominus}(z-y)} (|\check{\mathbf{C}}_{\ominus}|)^{-1} dz,$$

and $\mathbf{p}(0, 0) = [\mathbf{0} \quad \mathbf{p}(0, 0)_\ominus]$, where

$$\mathbf{p}(0, 0)_\ominus = \alpha \int_{z=0}^{\infty} [\xi_z \quad \mathbf{0}] e^{\check{\mathbf{Q}}_{\ominus\ominus}z} dz (-\mathbf{T}_{\ominus\ominus})^{-1}.$$

Here, α is a normalization constant

In fact α is the total rate of hitting $x = 0$.

Expressing $\pi(0, y)$ and $\mathbf{p}(0, 0)$ in ξ_y

Proof. Consider “cycles” defined by hitting times of $x = 0$, and condition on where previous hit took place.

[Latouche and Taylor. A stochastic fluid model for an ad hoc mobile network, *Queueing Systems*, 2009]



Expressing $\pi(0, y)$ and $\mathbf{p}(0, 0)$ in ξ_y

LST of density part: let

$$\pi(0, \cdot)(s) = \int_{z=0}^{\infty} e^{-sy} \pi(0, y) dy$$

Corollary

We have $\pi(0, \cdot)(s) = [\mathbf{0} \quad \pi(0, \cdot)(s)_{\ominus}]$, where

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(0, \cdot)(s)_{\ominus} &= \alpha \int_{z=0}^{\infty} [\xi_z \quad \mathbf{0}] e^{\check{\mathbf{Q}}_{\ominus\ominus} z} (\check{\mathbf{Q}}_{\ominus\ominus} + s\mathbf{I})^{-1} \\ &\quad \times \left(\mathbf{I} - e^{-(\check{\mathbf{Q}}_{\ominus\ominus} + s\mathbf{I})z} \right) (|\check{\mathbf{C}}_{\ominus}|)^{-1} dz. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Straightforward. □

Normalise, based on 1-dim fluid queue $(\varphi(t), X(t))$

Lemma

The normalisation constant α is given by

$$\alpha = \left\{ \begin{aligned} & [\xi \quad \mathbf{0}] (-\mathbf{T}_{\ominus\ominus})^{-1} \left(\mathbf{1} \right. \\ & \left. + \mathbf{T}_{\ominus+} \mathbf{K}^{-1} [(\mathbf{R}_+)^{-1} \quad \boldsymbol{\Psi} (|\mathbf{R}_-|)^{-1}] \right. \\ & \left. \times \left(\mathbf{1} + \mathbf{T}_{\pm\ominus} (-\mathbf{T}_{\ominus\ominus})^{-1} \mathbf{1} \right) \right) \left. \right\}^{-1}, \end{aligned}$$

where, $\xi = \int_{z=0}^{\infty} \xi_z dz$, $\boldsymbol{\Psi} = \widehat{\boldsymbol{\Psi}}(s)|_{s=0}$ and $\mathbf{K} = \widehat{\mathbf{K}}(s)|_{s=0}$ with

$$\widehat{\mathbf{K}}(s) = \widehat{\mathbf{Q}}(s)_{++} + \widehat{\boldsymbol{\Psi}}(s) \widehat{\mathbf{Q}}(s)_{-+}.$$

Normalise, based on 1-dim fluid queue $(\varphi(t), X(t))$

Proof. Integrating $\pi(0, y)$ and adding $\mathbf{p}(0, 0)$ yields the probability mass vector of $\varphi(t)$ at $x = 0$, which is also known from 1-dim fluid queue:

$$[\mathbf{p}_- \quad \mathbf{p}_0] = \alpha [\boldsymbol{\xi} \quad \mathbf{0}] (-\mathbf{T}_{\ominus\ominus})^{-1}$$

Similarly, we have expression for density $\pi(x)$ at $x > 0$.

Now solve α from

$$\mathbf{p}_1 + \int_{x=0}^{\infty} \pi(x) dx \mathbf{1} = 1$$



Expressing $\pi(x, y)$ in $\pi(0, y)$ and $\mathbf{p}(0, 0)$

Lemma

We have

$$\pi(x, \cdot)(s) = [\pi(x, \cdot)(s)_+ \quad \pi(x, \cdot)(s)_- \quad \pi(x, \cdot)(s)_\circ]$$

with

$$[\pi(x, \cdot)(s)_+ \quad \pi(x, \cdot)(s)_-] = (\pi(0, \cdot)(s)_\ominus + \mathbf{p}(0, 0)_\ominus) \\ \times \mathbf{T}_{\ominus+} e^{\hat{\mathbf{K}}(s)x} \times [(\mathbf{R}_+)^{-1} \quad \hat{\Psi}(s)(|\mathbf{R}_-|)^{-1}],$$

and

$$\pi(x, \cdot)(s)_\circ = [\pi(x, \cdot)(s)_+ \quad \pi(x, \cdot)(s)_-] \\ \times \mathbf{T}_{\pm\circ} (s\hat{\mathbf{C}}_\circ - \mathbf{T}_{\circ\circ})^{-1}.$$

Expressing $\pi(x, y)$ in $\pi(0, y)$ and $\mathbf{p}(0, 0)$

Let $\pi(\cdot, \cdot)(v, s) = \int_{x=0}^{\infty} e^{-vx} \pi(x, \cdot)(s) dx$.

Corollary

We have

$$\pi(\cdot, \cdot)(v, s) = \left[\pi(\cdot, \cdot)(v, s)_+ \quad \pi(\cdot, \cdot)(v, s)_- \quad \pi(\cdot, \cdot)(s)_o \right]$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} \left[\pi(\cdot, \cdot)(v, s)_+ \quad \pi(\cdot, \cdot)(v, s)_- \right] &= (\pi(0, \cdot)(s)_e + \mathbf{p}(0, 0)_e) \\ &\times \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{T}_{-+} \\ \mathbf{T}_{o+} \end{bmatrix} (-\hat{\mathbf{K}}(s) + v\mathbf{I})^{-1} \left[(\mathbf{R}_+)^{-1} \quad \hat{\Psi}(s)(|\mathbf{R}_-|)^{-1} \right] \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\cdot, \cdot)(s)_o &= \left[\pi(\cdot, \cdot)(s)_+ \quad \pi(\cdot, \cdot)(s)_- \right] \mathbf{T}_{\pm o} \\ &\times (s\hat{\mathbf{C}}_o - \mathbf{T}_{oo})^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Expressing $\pi^i(x, x\hat{c}_i/r_i)$ in $\mathbf{p}(0, 0)$

Lemma

For all $i \in \mathcal{S}_+$,

$$\pi^i(x, x\hat{c}_i/r_i) = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{S}_\ominus} \mathbf{p}_j(0, 0) T_{ji} \exp(-(T_{ii}/r_i)x)/r_i$$

Proof. Consider “cycle” starting when $(0, 0)$ is left, and consider expected number of visits to $(i, x, x\hat{c}_i/r_i)$ before return to $(0, 0)$. □

Main result

Theorem

Stationary distribution of $(\varphi(t), X(t), Y(t))$ is found, as mixture of densities and LSTs.

Numerical scheme

- Discretize the DTMC J_k and truncate its state space:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{P}}_{\ell m} = \int_{y=m\Delta u}^{(m+1)\Delta u} \mathbf{P}_{\ell\Delta u, y} dy, \quad \ell, m = 0, 1, 2, \dots, L$$

- Normalize this to obtain $\mathbf{P}_{\ell m}$ with $\sum_{m=0}^L \mathbf{P}_{\ell m} \mathbf{1} = \mathbf{1}$.
- Find $\bar{\xi}_\ell = [\bar{\xi}_j; \ell]_{j \in \mathcal{S}_-}$ by solving $\bar{\xi} \mathbf{P} = \bar{\xi}$, $\bar{\xi} \mathbf{1} = \mathbf{1}$.
- Use this to approximate e.g.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{p}(0, 0)_\ominus &= \alpha \int_{z=0}^{\infty} \xi_z e^{\check{\mathbf{Q}}_{\ominus\ominus} z} dz (-\mathbf{T}_{\ominus\ominus})^{-1} \\ &\approx \alpha \sum_{\ell=0}^L \bar{\xi}_\ell e^{\check{\mathbf{Q}}_{\ominus\ominus} \ell \Delta u} (-\mathbf{T}_{\ominus\ominus})^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

- Similar for $\pi(0, y)$ etc; invert using Abate and Whitt
- Work in progress

Numerical scheme

$$\hat{\Psi}(s)$$

↓

$$\mathbf{P}_{z,\cdot}(s)$$

$$\xi(s)$$

$$\pi(0, \cdot)(s)$$

→

$$\pi(x, \cdot)(s)$$

↓

$$\mathbf{P}_{z,y}$$

→

$$\xi_z$$

→

$$\pi(0, y)$$

↑

↓

$$\pi(x, y)$$

Conclusions and future work

- Stationary distribution found, as mixture of densities and LSTs (as opposed to closed form LST in special case)
- Finish numerical scheme
- Consider dual model