

On Asymptotic Property of the Sojourn Time in the M/G/1—EPS Queue ¹

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Abstract—Here is given the theorem concerning the light-tail behaviour of the (conditional) sojourn time in the M/G/1 queue with egalitarian processor sharing.

1. INTRODUCTION

In [1] we succeeded in analyzing the M/G/1 queue with egalitarian processor sharing (EPS). The tail behaviour of the sojourn time variance for a job of a given size was investigated at first in [2]. The analysis of [2] is extended in [3] where the novel result is obtained concerning an exponential asymptotics of the stationary sojourn time. The goal of this note is to present some version of this result which has a definite interest.

2. PRELIMINARIES AND THE RESULT

We consider the M/G/1—EPS queue with an arrival rate λ and processing time distribution $B(x)$ with $B(0+) = 0$ and the Laplace–Stieltjes transform (LST) $\beta(s) = \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-sx} dB(x)$. We require that $B(\cdot)$ has a finite first moment $\beta_1 < \infty$, and $\rho = \lambda\beta_1 < 1$. There is no overt queueing in the EPS queue because all, say n jobs present in the processor simultaneously receive service at $1/n$ times the rate given to a single job. Let $V(u)$ be the stationary sojourn time of a job whose size is u time units. We shall also assume that the moment generating function of $B(\cdot)$ exists, that is, $\beta(-s) < \infty$. In other words, $B(\cdot)$ has a light tail.

One of the direct corollaries of main theorem of [1] is the following decomposition of the random variable $V(u)$

$$V(u) \stackrel{d}{=} D(u) + \sum_{i=1}^L \Phi_i(u),$$

where L is the number of jobs in the system (distributed geometrically), and $\Phi_i(u)$ coincides with $\Phi(x_i, u)$ after removing the condition on the residual size $F_B = x_i$ of i -th job (that is, after averaging on $dF_B(x) = \beta_1^{-1}(1 - B(x))dx$). The random variable $\Phi(u)$ has the distribution $\Phi(x|u) = \mathbf{P}(\Phi(u) \leq x | B = u)$. Besides, $D(u) \stackrel{d}{=} \Phi(x_i, u)$ for $x_i \geq u$, and $D(u)$ and $\Phi_i(u)$, $i = 1, \dots, L$ are independent each from other. Then

$$\mathbf{P} \left(\sum_{i=1}^L \Phi_i(u) > x \right) = (1 - \rho) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \rho^n [1 - \Phi^{n*}(x|u)],$$

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where the distributions of the components were deduced in [1] (in terms of the LSTs or, partially, in terms of the double LST), and $\Phi^{n*}(x|u)$ is n -fold convolution of the distribution $\Phi(x|u)$ with itself.

Now we refine the condition $\beta(-s) < \infty$ for some $s > 0$ by the following way:

(i) there exists a constant $\theta(u) > 0$ (the Lundberg exponent) such that

$$\mathbf{E} \left[e^{\theta(u)\Phi(u)} \right] = \rho^{-1}, \quad (2.1)$$

(ii) besides, there exists a constant $C(u)$ such that

$$C(u) = \rho \int_0^\infty x e^{\theta(u)x} d\Phi(x|u) < \infty. \quad (2.2)$$

If the conditions (2.1) and (2.2) are valid, then the following theorem from [3] holds:

Theorem 1.

$$\mathbf{P}(V(u) > x) \sim C_1(u) e^{-\theta(u)x}, \quad x \rightarrow \infty, \quad (2.3)$$

where

$$C_1(u) = \frac{(1 - \rho) \mathbf{E} \left[e^{\theta(u)D(u)} \right]}{[C(u)\theta(u)]}. \quad (2.4)$$

Here $\theta(u)$ is the solution of the equation (2.1) (see the condition (i)). A sufficient condition of the existence of the solution follows from the inequality

$$\rho^{-1} < \mathbf{E} \left[e^{s_1\Phi(u)} \right] < \infty.$$

If $\beta_1 = 1$, then such sufficient condition can be represented as

$$\frac{1}{\mathbf{E} \left[e^{s_2(1,u)(u \wedge F_B)} \right]} < \rho.$$

□

Theorem 1 has simpler forms in the special cases (the M/ H_k /1—EPS queue, the M/ E_k /1—EPS queue, etc.). For example, the constant $C_1(u)$ in (2.4) reduces to the form

$$C_1(1) = [(1 - \lambda)(\lambda - \theta(1))]/[2\lambda(1 - \lambda) - \theta(1)\lambda(2 - \lambda)]$$

in the case of the M/D/1—EPS system for which $\beta(s) = e^{-su}$ and $u = 1$. Here $\theta(1)$ is unique positive solution of an equation to which the equation (2.1) is reduced:

$$\left[\lambda(\lambda - s) + s - se^{\lambda-s} \right] / \left[(\lambda - s)(\lambda - se^{\lambda-s}) \right] = \lambda^{-1}$$

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