

On a Truncated Erlang Queuing System with Bulk Arrivals, Balking and Reneging

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Abstract

The aim of this paper is to derive the analytical solution of the queue: $M^x/E_k/I/N$ with balking and reneging in which

- i) Units arrive in batches of random size with the interarrival times of batches following negative exponential distribution.
- ii) The queue discipline is FCFS, it being assumed that the batches are pre-ordered for service purpose
- iii) The service time distribution is Erlangian with K stages. Recurrence relations connecting the various probabilities introduced are found. Some measures of effectiveness as L and L_q are deducted and some special cases are also obtained.

1. Introduction

Many researchers as Cox and Miller [3], Probhu [9] and Saaty [10] studied Markovian queue with bulk arrivals but they did not take consideration of balking and reneging. Some researchers as Burk [2] studied the queue: $M^x/M/1$ in the homogeneous case with bulking and delays. Other, Cromie et al. [4] discussed the queues: $M^x/M/C$, Abou-ELAta et al. [1] discussed with the bulk arrival queue $M^x/M/1$ with both concepts of balking and reneging and the non-truncated queue: $M^x/E_k/1$ had been solved by Medhi [7] who obtained the solution in terms of generating function.

This paper is aimed to treat the bulk arrival queue for non-Markovian (Erlangian service) queue: $M^x/E_k/1/N$ with balking and reneging. In this work we obtain $P_{n,k}$ (the probabilities that there are n units in the system and the unit in the service occupies S^{th} stage ($S=1, 2, \dots, k$)) in terms of P_0 by using a recurrence

relations. Also, we obtain the probability of an empty system P_0 , and deduce some special cases.

2. Description of the system

In the present system, it is assumed that the units arrival the system in batches of random size X , i.e., at each moment of arrival, there is a probability $C_j = P(X = j)$ that, units arrival simultaneously, $C_0 = 0$ and the interarrival times of batches follows a negative exponential distribution with time independent parameter λ . Let $\lambda C_j \Delta t, (j = 1, 2, \dots, N)$, be the first order probability that batch of j units comes in time Δt . The service channel is busy if a unit is found in any one of the K stages (of $M/E_K/1/N$). In this case the arrival units form a queue, with capacity N .

Consider the balk concept with probability $\beta = \text{prob.}\{\text{a unit joins the queue}\}$, where $0 \leq \beta < 1$ if $n = 1(1)N$ and $\beta = 1$ if $n = 0$, n is a number of units in the system.

It is also assumed that the units renege according to an exponential distribution, $f(t) = \alpha e^{-\alpha t}, t \geq 0, \alpha > 0$, with parameter α . The probability of renegeing in a short period of time Δt is a given by:

$$r_n = (n - 1) \alpha \Delta t, \text{ for } 1 < n \leq N \text{ and } r_n = 0, \text{ for } n = 0, 1.$$

Using the rate out = rate in approach the steady-state, difference equations can be written as follows:

For, $n = 0$, we have

$$k\mu P_{i,1} - \lambda P_0 = 0, \tag{1}$$

For $n = 1$, we have,

$$\left. \begin{aligned} k\mu P_{1,s+1} - (k\mu + \beta\lambda)P_{1,s} &= 0, & s = 1(1)k - 1 \\ (k\mu + \alpha) P_{2,1} - (k\mu + \beta\lambda)P_{1,k} + \lambda c_1 P_0 &= 0 & s = k \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{2}$$

For $n = 2(1)N - 1$, we have,

$$\left. \begin{aligned} (k\mu + (n - 1)\alpha)P_{n,s+1} - (k\mu + (n - 1)\alpha + \beta\lambda)P_{n,s} + \beta\lambda \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} C_j P_{n-j,s} &= 0 & s = 1(1)k - 1 \\ (k\mu + (n - 1)\alpha)P_{n+1,1} - (k\mu + (n - 1)\alpha + \beta\lambda) + \beta\lambda \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} C_j P_{n-j,k} + \lambda C_n P_0 &= 0, & s = k \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{3}$$

For $n=N$, we have,

$$\left. \begin{aligned} (k\mu+(N-1)\alpha)P_{N,s+1} - (k\mu+(N-1)\alpha + \beta\lambda)P_{N,s} + \beta\lambda\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} C_j P_{N-j,s} + \beta\lambda\sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{i=N-j+1}^N C_j P_{i,s} = 0 \quad s=1(1)k-1 \\ \lambda C_N P_o - (k\mu+(N-1)\alpha + \beta\lambda)P_{N,k} + \beta\lambda\sum_{j=1}^{N-1} C_j P_{N-j,k} + \beta\lambda\sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{i=N-j+1}^N C_j P_{i,k} = 0, \quad s=k \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (4)$$

Summing (2) over s and using (4) we have

$$(k\mu + \alpha)P_{2,1} = \beta \lambda \sum_{s=1}^k P_{1,s} + (1 - C_1)\lambda P_0, \quad (5)$$

also summing (3) over s , using (5) and adding the results obtaining for $n=2(1)N-1$, we get:

$$P_{n,1} = \theta_n \left\{ \beta \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i}^N \sum_{s=1}^k C_j P_{n-j,s} + \sum_{j=n}^N C_j P_0 \right\}, \quad (6)$$

where:

$$\theta_n = \frac{\lambda}{k\mu + (n-1)\alpha} \cdot \quad n = 1(1)N$$

From the 1st equation of (2): we have

$$P_{1,s} = \theta_1 (1 + \beta\theta_1)^{s-1} P_0 \cdot \quad s = 1(1)k \quad (7)$$

Thus upon using 1st equations of (3) and (6), we get for $n=2(1)N-1$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} P_{n,1} = \theta_n \left(\beta \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i}^N \sum_{s=1}^k C_j P_{n-j,s} + \sum_{j=n}^N C_j P_0 \right) \\ P_{n,s+1} = (1 + \beta\theta_n)P_{n,s} - \beta\theta_n \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} C_j P_{n-j,s} \quad s = 1(1)k-1 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (8)$$

Also, from 1st equation of (4) and equation (6) at $n=N$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} P_{N,1} = \theta_N \left(\beta \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \sum_{j=i}^N \sum_{s=1}^k C_j P_{N-i,s} + C_j P_{N-i,s} + C_N P_0 \right) \\ P_{N,s+1} = (1 + \beta\theta_N)P_{N,s} - \beta\theta_N \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} C_j P_{N-j,s} - \beta\theta_N \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{i=N-j+1}^N C_j P_{i,s} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (9)$$

Equations (7), (8) and (9) are required recurrence relations, which give all probabilities in terms of P_0 which itself may now be determined by using the normalizing condition $P_o + \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{s=1}^k P_{n,s} = 1$, hence all the probabilities are completely in terms of the queue parameters.

The following example illustrates the discussed method.

3. Example

In the above system: $M^x/E_k/I/N(\alpha\beta)$ with balking and renegeing, letting $k=2$, $N=3$, i.e. the queue: $M^x/E_2/I/4(\alpha\beta)$ with balking and renegeing, the results are:

$$\begin{aligned} P_{1,1} &= a_1 P & P_{1,2} &= a_2 P_0, \\ P_{2,1} &= b_1 P & P_{2,2} &= b_2 P_0, \\ P_{3,1} &= g_1 P & P_{3,2} &= g_2 P_0, \\ P_{4,1} &= f_1 P & P_{4,2} &= g_2 P_0, \end{aligned}$$

where:

$$\theta_n = \frac{\lambda}{2\mu + (n-1)\alpha}, \quad n = 1(1)N, \quad \theta_1 = \frac{\lambda}{2\mu},$$

$$a_1 = \theta, \quad a_2 = \theta_1(1 + \beta\theta_1),$$

$$b_1 = \theta_2 \{ \beta(a_1 + a_2) + (C_2 + C_3 + C_4) \},$$

$$b_2 = (1 + \beta\theta_2)b_1 - \beta\theta_2 C_1 a_1,$$

$$g_1 = \theta_3 \{ \beta(b_1 + b_2) + \beta(C_2 + C_3 + C_4)(a_1 + a_2) + C_3 + C_4 \},$$

$$g_2 = (1 + \beta\theta_3)g_1 - \beta\theta_3(C_1 b_1 + C_2 a_1),$$

$$f_1 = \theta_4 \{ \beta(g_1 + g_2) + \beta(C_2 + C_3 + C_4)(b_1 + b_2) + \beta(C_3 + C_4)(a_1 + a_2) + C_4 \},$$

$$f_2 = (1 + \beta\theta_4)f_1 - \beta\theta_4 \{ C_1(g_1 + f_1) + C_2(b_1 + g_1 + f_1) + (a_1 + b_1 + g_1 + f_1)(C_3 + C_4) \}$$

form the normalizing condition:

$$P_0 = \{ 1 + a_1 + a_2 + b_1 + b_2 + g_1 + g_2 + f_1 + f_2 \}^{-1}.$$

Therefore, the expected number in the system and in the queue is respectively.

$$L = \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{s=1}^k n P_{n,s},$$

$$L = \{ (a_1 + a_2) + 2(b_1 + b_2) + 3(g_1 + g_2) + 4(f_1 + f_2) \} P_0,$$

$$L_q = \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{s=1}^k (n-1) P_{n,s},$$

$$L_q = \{ (b_1 + b_2) + 2(g_1 + g_2) + 3(f_1 + f_2) \} P_0.$$

4. Special cases:

1- Let $k=1$, in Equations (7), (8) and (9), then we get the bulk queue:

$M^x/M/1/N (\alpha, \rho)$ and the results are:

$$P_1 = \rho P_0, \quad P_2 = \frac{\rho(\beta\rho + 1 - c_1)}{\delta + 1} P_0,$$

$$P_n = \frac{\beta\rho}{(n-1)\delta + 1} \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} c_j P_{n-j} - \frac{\eta_n}{(n-1)\delta + 1}, \quad n = 3(1)N - 1,$$

$$P_N = \frac{\rho}{\beta\rho + (N-1)\delta + 1} \left[\beta \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} c_j P_{N-j} + \beta \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=N-j+1}^N c_i P_j + c_N P_0 \right],$$

which agree with the results of El-Paoumy, M.S. [5], where $\rho = \frac{\lambda}{\mu}$, $\delta = \frac{\alpha}{\mu}$,

$$\eta_n = \beta\rho \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=q}^{n-i} c_i p_j - \beta\rho \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} p_i - \rho p_0 \sum_{i=n}^N c_i, \quad n = 3(1)N - 1$$

2- If we put $c_j = \delta_{j1}$, we get the system: $M/E_k/1/N$ with balking and reneing

3- Let $K = 1$, $c_j = \delta_{j1}$, we get the system: $M/M/1/N (\alpha, \beta)$

$$P_1 = \rho P_0, \quad P_2 = \frac{\rho(\beta\rho)}{\delta + 1} P_0$$

$$P_n = \frac{\beta\rho}{(n-1)\delta + 1} P_{n-1}, \quad n = 3(1)N.$$

Or
$$P_n = \frac{\rho(\beta\gamma)^{n-1}}{(\delta'+1)_{n-1}} P_0, \quad n = 1(1)N,$$

$$P_0 = \left[1 + \rho + \rho \sum_{n=2}^N \frac{(\beta\gamma)^{n-1}}{(\delta'+1)_{n-1}} \right]^{-1},$$

where $\gamma = \frac{\lambda}{\alpha}$, $\delta' = \frac{\mu}{\alpha}$, $(\delta')_n = \delta'(\delta'+1)\dots(\delta'+n-1)$, $n \geq 1$ and $(\delta')_0 = 1$.

4- Moreover, let $\beta = 1$ and $\alpha = 0$, we have the system; $M/M/1/N$ without bulking or reneing which were studied by White et al. [11], Gross and Hennis [6], Morse [8] and others.

The effects of λ , β and α on L and L_q are showing by tables (1) to (5), for $\mu=6$, $C_1=0.4$, $C_2=0.3$, $C_3=0.1$, $C_4=0.2$.

Table (1):- $\alpha=0.1$

λ		1	2	3	4	5	10	20	30	50
β										
0.1	L	0.48540	0.79099	1.00435	1.16410	1.28992	1.67983	2.08003	2.33679	2.68353
	L_q	0.22590	0.37289	0.47939	0.56235	0.63038	0.86480	1.16015	1.37928	1.69895
0.2	L	0.50002	0.83254	1.07521	1.26395	1.41762	1.92574	2.46952	2.77714	3.07759
	L_q	0.23572	0.40218	0.53136	0.63800	0.72981	1.07409	1.51797	1.79697	2.08244
0.3	L	0.51502	0.87553	1.14851	1.36656	1.54741	2.15376	2.74988	3.01837	3.16155
	L_q	0.24583	0.43267	0.58557	0.71656	0.83211	1.27125	1.77933	2.02830	2.16359
0.4	L	0.53040	0.91988	1.22378	1.47071	1.67697	2.35539	2.93704	3.13188	2.99148
	L_q	0.25622	0.46432	0.64170	0.79708	0.93534	1.44782	1.95549	2.13738	1.99270
0.5	L	0.54615	0.96549	1.30056	1.57522	1.80420	2.52762	3.05536	3.15724	1.80983
	L_q	0.26690	0.49705	0.69937	0.87859	1.03769	1.60025	2.06740	2.16065	0.81124
0.6	L	0.56227	1.01226	1.37836	1.67899	1.92733	2.67121	3.12329	3.09736	6.40944
	L_q	0.27786	0.53078	0.75821	0.96015	1.13760	1.72843	2.13152	2.09974	5.40855
0.7	L	0.57876	1.06008	1.45670	1.78100	2.04497	2.78883	3.15141	2.90065	4.61685
	L_q	0.28911	0.56545	0.81784	1.04093	1.23380	1.83417	2.15732	1.90259	3.61672
0.8	L	0.59561	1.10882	1.53511	1.88040	2.15609	2.88386	3.14306	2.30474	4.31657
	L_q	0.30064	0.60095	0.87788	1.12016	1.32532	1.92008	2.14753	1.30680	3.31652
0.9	L	0.61283	1.15836	1.61314	1.97645	2.26005	2.95961	3.09367	2.73902	4.19897
	L_q	0.31245	0.63719	0.93796	1.19720	1.41149	1.98881	2.09724	3.73329	3.19895
1.0	L	0.63040	1.20858	1.69038	2.06858	2.35649	3.01902	2.98600	6.41320	4.13849
	L_q	0.32454	0.67409	0.99774	1.27152	1.49190	2.04281	1.98905	5.41173	3.13849

Table (2):- $\alpha = 0.3$

λ		1	2	3	4	5	10	20	30	50
0.1	L	0.46504	0.76241	0.97191	1.12962	1.25422	1.64118	2.03682	2.29038	2.63703
	L_q	0.21434	0.35583	0.45914	0.53994	0.60633	0.83508	1.12242	1.33650	1.65421
0.2	L	0.47848	0.80097	1.03813	1.22340	1.37464	1.87623	2.41733	2.73010	3.04973
	L_q	0.22331	0.38285	0.50739	0.61052	0.69946	1.03392	1.47053	1.75239	2.05532
0.3	L	0.49224	0.84084	1.10666	1.31995	1.49745	2.09697	2.69999	2.98380	3.16777
	L_q	0.23254	0.41096	0.55774	0.68394	0.79559	1.22364	1.73307	1.99520	2.17012
0.4	L	0.50634	0.88198	1.17713	1.41826	1.62067	2.29521	2.89533	3.11446	3.08469
	L_q	0.24202	0.44013	0.60994	0.75942	0.89309	1.39624	1.91638	2.12082	2.08600
0.5	L	0.52077	0.92430	1.24916	1.51733	1.74246	2.46745	3.02435	3.16283	2.56966
	L_q	0.25175	0.47031	0.66368	0.83614	0.99038	1.54783	2.03822	2.16673	1.57077
0.6	L	0.53553	0.96772	1.32234	1.61619	1.86120	2.61355	3.10458	3.14166	5.528867
	L_q	0.26174	0.50143	0.71865	0.91331	1.08606	1.67758	2.11409	2.14432	4.626228
0.7	L	0.55062	1.01215	1.39627	1.71394	1.97559	2.73537	3.14737	3.03313	5.04925
	L_q	0.27198	0.53343	0.77453	0.99016	1.17896	1.78659	2.15417	2.03515	4.04897
0.8	L	0.56604	1.05749	1.47054	1.80979	2.08459	2.83564	3.15827	2.74942	4.45282
	L_q	0.28247	0.56624	0.83100	1.06603	1.26812	1.87687	2.16335	1.75124	3.45274
0.9	L	0.58179	1.10365	1.54477	1.90304	2.18750	2.91728	3.13750	1.82858	4.26688
	L_q	0.29321	0.59980	0.88775	1.14031	1.35285	1.95072	2.14147	0.83081	3.26685
1.0	L	0.59786	1.15053	1.61857	1.99315	2.28386	2.98297	3.07864	4.33447	4.17963
	L_q	0.30421	0.63401	0.94448	1.21249	1.43267	2.01033	2.08191	5.29123	3.17961

Table (3):- $\alpha=0.5$

λ		1	2	3	4	5	10	20	30	50
β										
0.1	L	0.44656	0.73625	0.94209	1.09785	1.22130	1.60556	1.99704	2.24738	2.59290
	L_q	0.20400	0.34047	0.44085	0.51965	0.58453	0.80812	1.08803	1.29712	1.61188
0.2	L	0.45895	0.77215	1.00415	1.18616	1.33511	1.83050	2.36824	2.68464	3.02010
	L_q	0.21223	0.36549	0.48579	0.58570	0.67200	0.99729	1.42623	1.70950	2.02650
0.3	L	0.47163	0.80926	1.06840	1.27722	1.45153	2.04404	2.65168	2.94828	3.16477
	L_q	0.22070	0.39151	0.53271	0.65450	0.76253	1.17976	1.68851	1.96127	2.16746
0.4	L	0.48461	0.84754	1.13454	1.37018	1.56882	2.23844	2.85345	3.09305	3.13571
	L_q	0.22938	0.41850	0.58139	0.72540	0.85473	1.34806	1.87726	2.10036	2.13715
0.5	L	0.49789	0.88693	1.20225	1.46417	1.68539	2.40986	2.99137	3.15910	2.85382
	L_q	0.23830	0.44641	0.63158	0.79771	0.94722	1.49810	2.00723	2.16358	1.85488
0.6	L	0.51147	0.92735	1.27120	1.55836	1.79978	2.55750	3.08178	3.16402	1.03805
	L_q	0.24744	0.47522	0.68303	0.87074	1.03878	1.62854	2.09271	2.16701	0.03964
0.7	L	0.52534	0.96875	1.34103	1.65196	1.91075	2.68252	3.13613	3.10441	6.23598
	L_q	0.25680	0.50485	0.73547	0.94383	1.12830	1.73987	2.14395	2.10661	5.23525
0.8	L	0.53951	1.01103	1.41140	1.74423	2.01731	2.78708	3.16112	2.94451	4.67554
	L_q	0.26640	0.53526	0.78862	1.01638	1.21489	1.83360	2.16693	1.94632	3.67540
0.9	L	0.55397	1.05413	1.48197	1.83455	2.11871	2.87365	3.15929	2.54598	4.36236
	L_q	0.27621	0.56640	0.84223	1.08783	1.29783	1.91162	2.16377	1.54776	3.36231
1.0	L	0.56873	1.09796	1.55242	1.92235	2.21445	2.94468	3.12892	1.03696	4.23343
	L_q	0.28626	0.59819	0.89601	1.15770	1.37662	1.97590	2.13253	0.03960	3.23341

Table (4):- $\alpha = 0.8$

λ		1	2	3	4	5	10	20	30	50
B										
0.1	L	0.42176	0.70081	0.90148	1.05446	1.17627	1.55689	1.94285	2.18848	2.53098
	L_q	0.19036	0.32005	0.41642	0.49252	0.55534	0.77198	1.04177	1.24363	1.55275
0.2	L	0.43280	0.73325	0.95807	1.13553	1.28129	1.76795	2.29994	2.61963	2.97399
	L_q	0.19766	0.34249	0.45707	0.55261	0.63533	0.94799	1.36513	1.64847	1.98172
0.3	L	0.44410	0.76676	1.01668	1.21926	1.38907	1.97106	2.58239	2.89444	3.14976
	L_q	0.20515	0.36580	0.49950	0.61531	0.71837	1.12008	1.62504	1.90999	2.15305
0.4	L	0.45565	0.80132	1.07707	1.30499	1.49822	2.15917	2.79119	3.05632	3.17272
	L_q	0.21283	0.38997	0.54355	0.68009	0.80336	1.28158	1.81942	2.06523	2.17444
0.5	L	0.46746	0.83687	1.13901	1.39203	1.60742	2.32823	2.93990	3.14286	3.04244
	L_q	0.22070	0.41496	0.58905	0.74642	0.88919	1.42836	1.95900	2.14833	2.04356
0.6	L	0.47952	0.87337	1.20224	1.47970	1.71544	2.47677	3.04277	3.17471	2.51833
	L_q	0.22876	0.44075	0.63580	0.81375	0.97482	1.55857	2.05607	2.17832	1.51935
0.7	L	0.49183	0.91077	1.26647	1.56735	1.82117	2.60508	3.11085	3.15788	6.03577
	L_q	0.23702	0.46730	0.68359	0.88154	1.05930	1.67200	2.12040	2.16045	7.03148
0.8	L	0.50440	0.94902	1.33145	1.65436	1.92369	2.71458	3.15153	3.08306	5.46973
	L_q	0.24547	0.49457	0.73222	0.94929	1.14181	1.76948	2.15860	2.08505	4.46933
0.9	L	0.51723	0.98805	1.39689	1.74015	2.02226	2.80713	3.16899	2.91257	4.60106
	L_q	0.25411	0.52253	0.78146	1.01651	1.22168	1.85238	2.17440	1.91428	3.60095
1.0	L	0.53030	1.02779	1.46253	1.82422	2.11632	2.88478	3.16458	2.51661	4.35100
	L_q	0.26295	0.55111	0.83110	1.08277	1.29836	1.92227	2.16886	1.51831	3.35095

Table (5):- $\alpha = 1.0$

β	λ	1	2	3	4	5	10	20	30	50
0.1	L	0.40687	0.67934	0.87675	1.02796	1.14873	1.52714	1.90984	2.15247	2.49238
	L_q	0.18230	0.30790	0.40183	0.47627	0.53785	0.75031	1.01396	1.21121	1.51605
0.2	L	0.41714	0.70977	0.93013	1.10475	1.24852	1.72974	2.25762	2.57843	2.94282
	L_q	0.18906	0.32885	0.43997	0.53288	0.61342	0.91834	1.32763	1.61002	1.95151
0.3	L	0.42764	0.74118	0.98541	1.18411	1.35110	1.92619	2.53835	2.85869	3.13528
	L_q	0.19600	0.35059	0.47977	0.59196	0.69199	1.08388	1.58499	1.87608	2.13903
0.4	L	0.43838	0.77356	1.04240	1.26550	1.45528	2.10991	2.75045	3.02993	3.18263
	L_q	0.20311	0.37313	0.52112	0.65310	0.77263	1.24076	1.78177	2.04001	2.18456
0.5	L	0.44934	0.80688	1.10090	1.34831	1.55989	2.27686	2.90496	3.12748	3.10584
	L_q	0.21039	0.39643	0.56385	0.71583	0.85435	1.38495	1.92640	2.13370	2.10705
0.6	L	0.46053	0.84108	1.16069	1.43195	1.66382	2.42525	3.01474	3.17265	2.79869
	L_q	0.21784	0.42047	0.60781	0.77969	0.93624	1.51436	2.02978	2.17675	1.79966
0.7	L	0.47195	0.87614	1.22154	1.51586	1.76607	2.55494	3.09035	3.17440	1.25262
	L_q	0.22547	0.44523	0.65282	0.84419	1.01744	1.62844	2.10119	2.17728	0.25401
0.8	L	0.48361	0.91200	1.28322	1.59946	1.86577	2.66690	3.13926	3.13052	7.49281
	L_q	0.23327	0.47067	0.69870	0.90889	1.09719	1.72765	2.14729	2.13269	6.49167
0.9	L	0.49549	0.94862	1.34548	1.68223	1.96219	2.76266	3.16617	3.02307	4.89508
	L_q	0.24125	0.49675	0.74527	0.97335	1.17484	1.81305	2.17230	2.02485	3.89488
1.0	L	0.50761	0.98595	1.40809	1.76372	2.05476	2.84397	3.17344	2.79688	4.47002
	L_q	0.24940	0.52345	0.79234	1.03718	1.24986	1.88596	2.17825	2.79850	3.46995

5. Conclusion

In this paper, we derive an exact all recurrence relations to study the steady-state probability that there are n units in the system and the unit in the service being in the s^{th} stage. We also derive analytical expressions for steady-state system performance measures, as L and L_q in terms of P_0 which can be computed using the normalizing condition. Some numerical results are given in Tables (1) - (5) for special cases. From the numerical results, it is clear that L and L_q are increasing as λ and β are increasing.

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