

Ch 7 [H]

Note Title

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Modification Analysis: "what-if" for closed systems

Preview

- asymptotic bounds
- modification analysis for closed systems
- closed vs. open networks

Review (7.1 [H])

Little's Law for an Open System

$$E[N] = \lambda \cdot E[T]$$

$$(E[N_q] = \lambda \cdot E[T_q])$$

$$(E[N_{red}] = \lambda \cdot E[T_{red}])$$

Little's Law for a Closed Batch System

$$N = X \cdot E[T]. \quad (\text{This actually holds for any closed system,}$$

but for interactive closed system, the following also holds.)

Little's Law for a Closed Interactive System

$$E[R] = \frac{N}{X} - E[Z] \quad (\text{note: } E[T] = \frac{N}{X})$$

Utilization Law

$$\rho_i = \frac{d_i}{\mu_i} = d_i E[S_i] = X_i E[S_i]$$

Forced Flow Law

$$X_i = E[V_i] \cdot X$$

Bottleneck Law

$\rho_i = X \cdot E[D_i]$, where D_i is the total service demand on device i for all visits of a single job.

7.2 [H] Asymptotic Bounds for Closed Systems

Let m be the number of devices in the system. $E[D_i]$ is as defined before, i.e., the expected total service demand on device i by a single job.

$$\text{Let } D = \sum_{i=1}^m E[D_i]$$

$$\text{Let } D_{\max} = \max_{i \in \{1..m\}} \{E[D_i]\}$$

Theorem 7.1 For any closed interactive system with N terminals,

$$X \leq \min \left(\frac{N}{D + \mathbf{E}[Z]}, \frac{1}{D_{\max}} \right).$$
$$\mathbf{E}[R] \geq \max(D, N \cdot D_{\max} - \mathbf{E}[Z]).$$

Importantly, the first term in each clause ($\frac{N}{D + \mathbf{E}[Z]}$ or D) is an asymptote for small N , and the second term ($\frac{1}{D_{\max}}$ or $N \cdot D_{\max} - \mathbf{E}[Z]$) is an asymptote for large N .

Proof.

First, consider the large N (multiprogramming level) case

1. $\forall i \quad X \left[\frac{\text{jobs}}{\text{sec}} \right] \cdot \mathbf{E}[D_i] [\text{sec}] = \rho_i [\text{jobs}] \text{ (utilization)} \leq 1$
(Remember that ρ_i is the expected number of jobs on server i .)

$$\Rightarrow \forall i \quad X = \frac{\rho_i}{E[D_i]} \leq \frac{1}{E[D_i]} \Rightarrow X \leq \frac{1}{D_{\max}}$$

2, $E[R] = (\text{Little's Law for interactive closed systems}) = \frac{N}{X} - E[Z] \geq N \cdot D_{\max} - E[Z]$

Note that for large N , the D_{\max} server is always busy ($\rho_{\max} \approx 1$),
 so $X = \frac{1}{D_{\max}}$ is an asymptote for large N .

Second, consider the small N asymptote.

1. Let $E[R(N)]$ be the mean response time when the multi-programming level is N . Then,
 $E[R(N)] \geq E[R(1)] = D \left(= \sum_{i=1}^m E[D_i] \right)$

For low N , there is no "congestion," so the bound is tight.

$$2. \quad X = \frac{N}{E[R] + E[Z]} \leq \frac{N}{D + E[Z]}$$



A Simple Example of Bounds

$$E[\tau] = 18 \text{ sec}$$

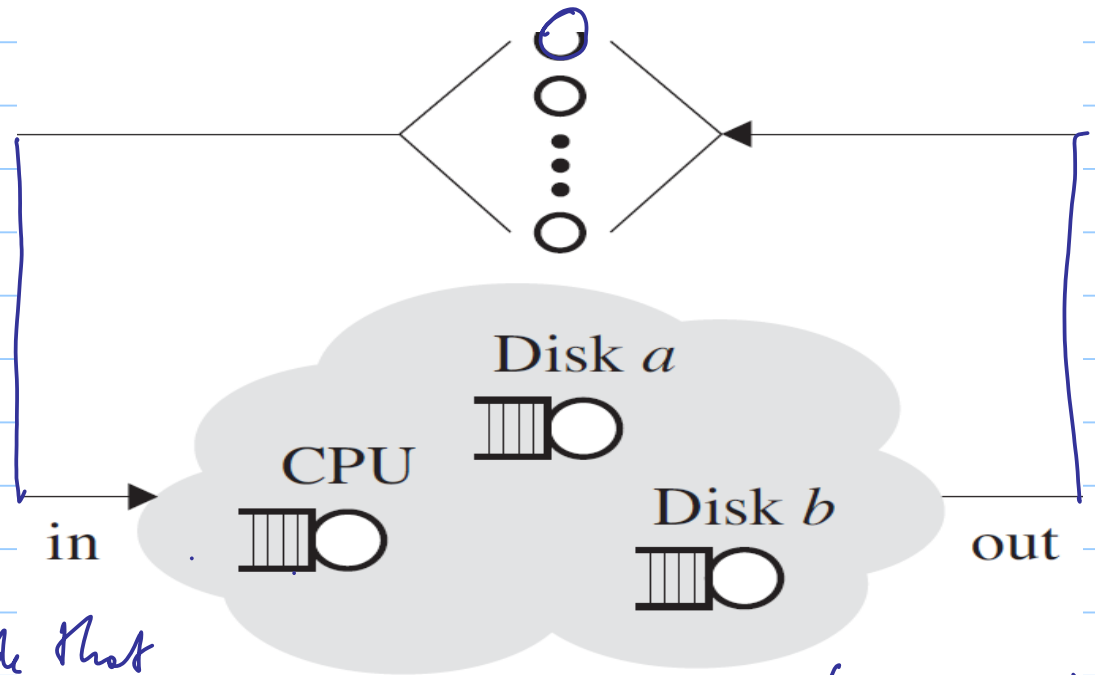
$$E[D_{\text{CPU}}] = 5 \text{ sec}$$

$$E[D_{\text{disk a}}] = 4 \text{ sec}$$

$$E[D_{\text{disk b}}] = 3 \text{ sec}$$

$$S_0, D = 5 + 4 + 3 = 12 \text{ sec}$$

$D_{\text{max}} = 5$ (the CPU is the bottleneck device)

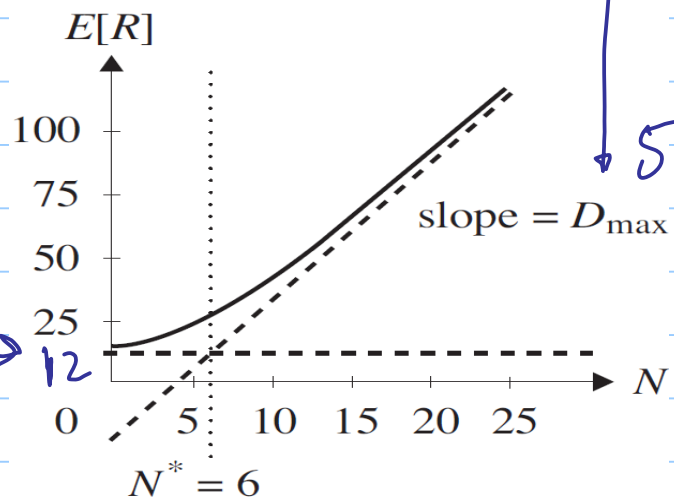
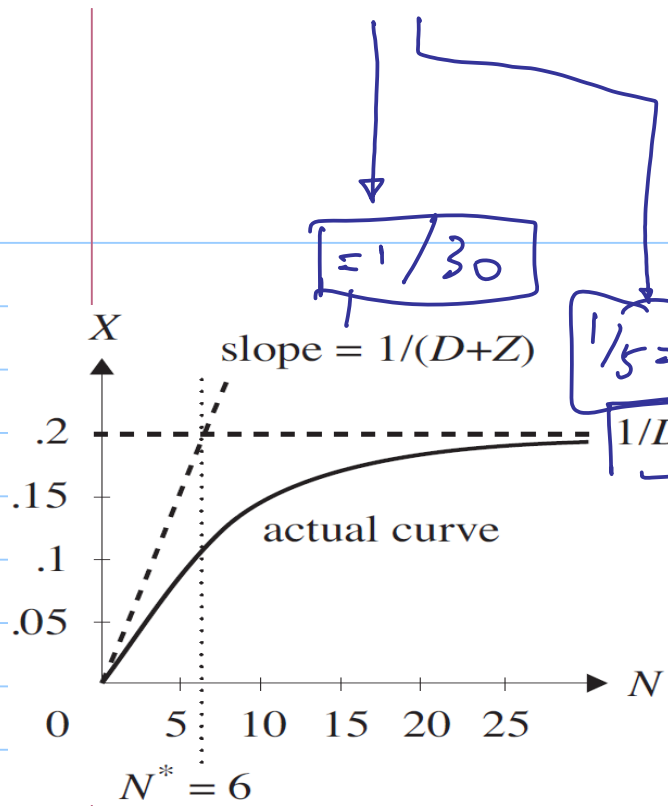


Central subsystem (Fig 7.1 [H])

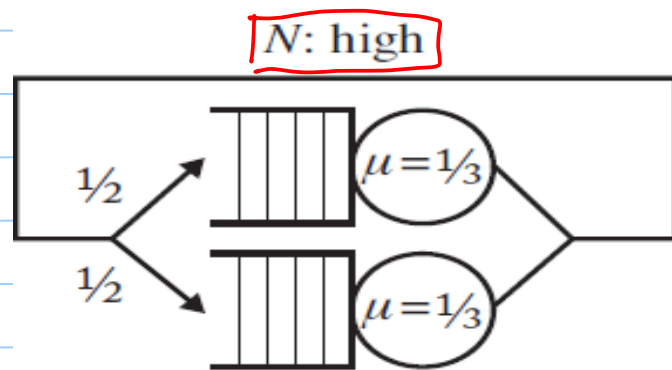
Thm. 7.1 allows us to conclude that

$$\lambda \leq \min \left\{ \frac{N}{12 + 18}, \frac{1}{5} \right\}, \text{ and}$$

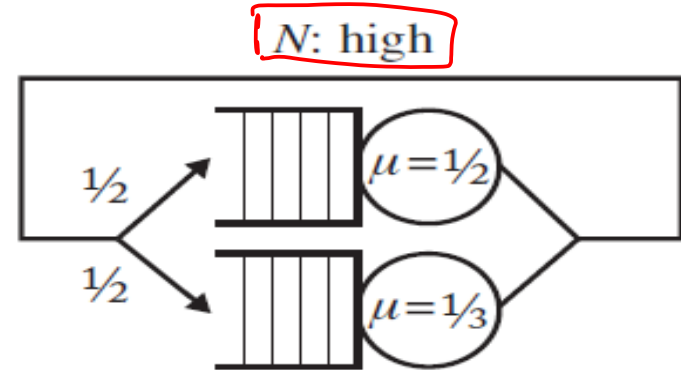
$$E[R] \geq \max \left\{ \frac{12}{\lambda}, \frac{5N - 18}{\lambda} \right\}$$



7.3 [H] Modification Analysis for Closed Systems



(a) Original



(b) "Improved"

The throughput is bounded above, for high N , by $1/D_{\max}$, and D_{\max} , the service demand on the slower disks ($\mu = 1/3$) is unchanged!

Important Observations

The
break
point

X and $E[R]$ meet at $N^* = \frac{D + E[z]}{D_{max}}$.

- N^* represents the point beyond which there must be some queuing in the system ($E[R] > 0$).
- For fixed $N > N^*$, to increase throughput or lower response time, one must reduce D_{max} . Other changes will be largely ineffective.
- If $E[z] = 0$ (batch case), N^* decreases, i.e., the domination of D_{max} occurs with fewer jobs in the system.

7.4 (4) More Modification Analysis Examples

Simple example

1. System A: $D_{CPU} = 4.6$, $D_{Disk} = 4.0$

$$E[Z] = 5$$

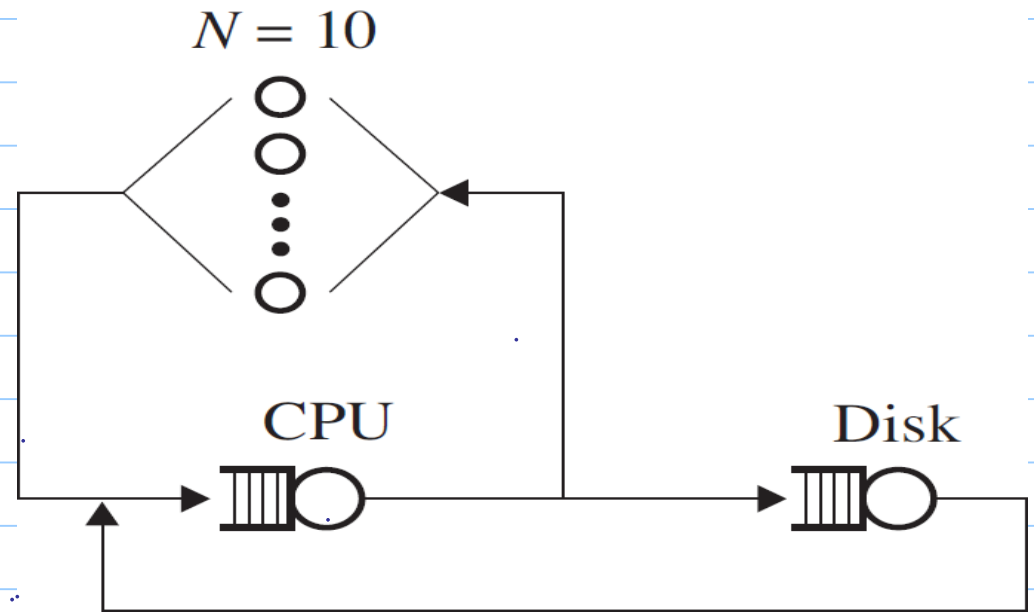
2. System B: $D_{CPU} = 4.9$, $D_{Disk} = 1.9$

Which system has higher throughput?

$$N_A^* = \frac{D + E[Z]}{D_{max}} = \frac{8.6 + 5}{4.6} < 3$$

$$N_B^* = \frac{D + E[Z]}{D_{max}} = \frac{6.8 + 5}{4.6} < 3$$

Since $N \gg N^*$ for both systems, $X \approx \frac{1}{D_{max}}$, and therefore System A wins.



The following measurements were obtained for an interactive system²:

- $T = 650$ seconds (the length of the observation interval)
- $B_{\text{cpu}} = 400$ seconds
- $B_{\text{slowdisk}} = 100$ seconds
- $B_{\text{fastdisk}} = 600$ seconds
- $C = C_{\text{cpu}} = 200$ jobs
- $C_{\text{slowdisk}} = 2,000$ jobs
- $C_{\text{fastdisk}} = 20,000$ jobs
- $\mathbf{E}[Z] = 15$ seconds
- $N = 20$ users

In this example, we examine four possible improvements (modifications) – hence the name “modification analysis.”

1. **Faster CPU:** Replace the CPU with one that is twice as fast.
2. **Balancing slow and fast disks:** Shift some files from the fast disk to the slow disk, balancing their demand.
3. **Second fast disk:** Buy a second fast disk to handle half the load of the busier existing fast disk.
4. **Balancing among three disks plus faster CPU:** Make all three improvements together: Buy a second fast disk, balance the load across all three disks, and also replace the CPU with a faster one.

Derived quantities - some expectation signs are dropped.

- $D_{cpu} = B_{cpu}/C = 400 \text{ sec}/200 \text{ jobs} = 2.0 \text{ sec/job}$
- $D_{slowdisk} = B_{slowdisk}/C = 100 \text{ sec}/200 \text{ jobs} = 0.5 \text{ sec/job}$
- $D_{fastdisk} = B_{fastdisk}/C = 600 \text{ sec}/200 \text{ jobs} = 3.0 \text{ sec/job}$
- $E[V_{cpu}] = C_{cpu}/C = 200 \text{ visits}/200 \text{ jobs} = 1 \text{ visit/job}$
- $E[V_{slowdisk}] = C_{slowdisk}/C = 2,000 \text{ visits}/200 \text{ job} = 10 \text{ visits/job}$
- $E[V_{fastdisk}] = C_{fastdisk}/C = 20,000 \text{ visits}/200 \text{ job} = 100 \text{ visits/job}$
- $E[S_{cpu}] = B_{cpu}/C_{cpu} = 400 \text{ sec}/200 \text{ visits} = 2.0 \text{ sec/visit}$
- $E[S_{slowdisk}] = B_{slowdisk}/C_{slowdisk} = 100 \text{ sec}/2,000 \text{ visits} = .05 \text{ sec/visit}$
- $E[S_{fastdisk}] = B_{fastdisk}/C_{fastdisk} = 600 \text{ sec}/20,000 \text{ visits} = .03 \text{ sec/visit}$

$$D_{\max} = \max\{2, 0.5, 3\} = 3$$

$$D = D_{\text{cpu}} + D_{\text{slow disk}} + D_{\text{fast disk}} = 2 + 0.5 + 3 = 5.5$$

$$D + k[z] = 5.5 + 15$$

1. **Faster CPU:** Originally, $D_{\max} = 3$ sec/job, $D = 5.5$, $N^* = \frac{30.5}{3} \approx 7 \ll N$.
 $D_{\text{cpu}} \rightarrow 1$ sec/job does not change $D_{\max} = 3$ sec/job. Notice that N^* hardly changes at all. The fast disk is the bottleneck. We can never get more than 1 job done every 3 seconds on average.

2. Balancing slow and fast disks: Shift some files from the fast disk to the slow disk, balancing their demand. To do this we need that

$$V_{\text{slow}} + V_{\text{fast}} = 110 \text{ as originally}$$

but $S_{\text{slow}} \cdot V_{\text{slow}} = S_{\text{fast}} \cdot V_{\text{fast}}$ because we are balancing the demand.

Solving this system of linear equations yields the new demands $D_{\text{slow}} = D_{\text{fast}} = 2.06$. Now, $D_{\text{max}} = 2.06$ sec/job, although D increases slightly because some files have been moved from the fast disk to the slow disk.

3. **Second fast disk:** We keep $D_{slow} = 0.5$, the same as before. However, we buy a second fast disk to handle half the load of the original fast disk. So now

$$D_{fast1} = D_{fast2} = 1.5 \text{ sec/job.}$$

Thus our new D_{max} is 2.0 sec/job (the CPU becomes the bottleneck).

4. Balancing among three disks plus faster CPU: We now make the CPU faster *and* balance load across all three disks, so

$$V_{\text{slow}} + V_{\text{fast1}} + V_{\text{fast2}} = 110.$$

$$S_{\text{slow}} \cdot V_{\text{slow}} = S_{\text{fast1}} \cdot V_{\text{fast1}} = S_{\text{fast2}} \cdot V_{\text{fast2}}.$$

Solving these simultaneous equations yields: $D_{\text{disk1}} = D_{\text{disk2}} = D_{\text{disk3}} = 1.27$. So $D_{\text{max}} = 1.27$, since we cut D_{cpu} to 1 already.

A graph of the results is shown in Figure 7.5. Assuming N is not too small, we conclude the following:

- Change 1 is insignificant.
- Changes 2 and 3 are about the same, which is interesting because change 2 was achieved without any hardware expense.
- Change 4 yields the most dramatic improvement.

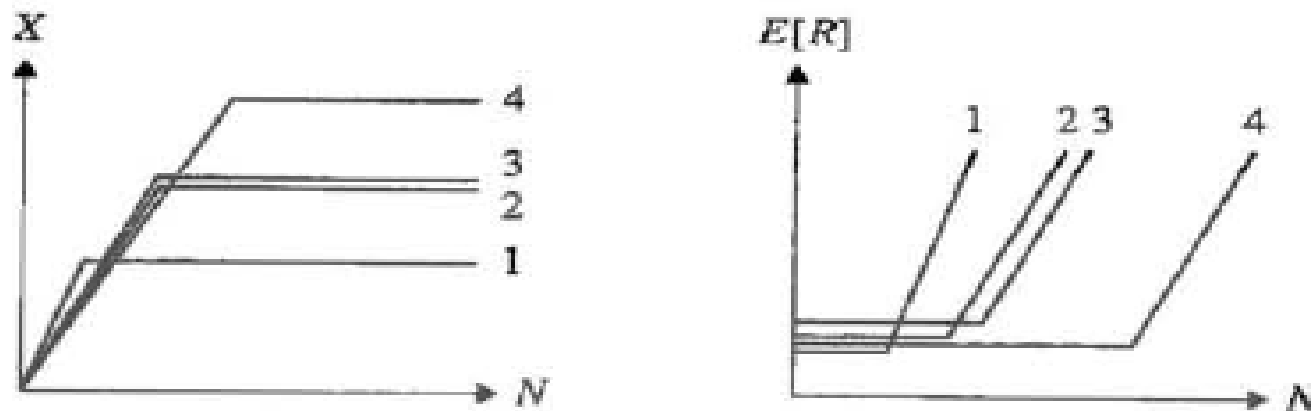


Figure 7.5. Throughput and response time versus N , showing the effects of four possible improvements from the harder example, where the improvements are labeled 1, 2, 3, and 4.

The
'knee'
is
 N^* .

Why does modification analysis not
apply to open systems?

See 7.5 [H].