

# Introduction to QUEUEING: M/G/1



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## M/G/1

- *Arrival process is **Memoryless**, i.e., interarrival times have Exponential distribution with mean  $1/\lambda$*
- *Single server*
- *Service times are independent, identically-distributed, but not necessarily exponential. Mean service time is  $1/\mu$  with variance  $\sigma^2$*
- *Queue capacity is infinite*

M/G/1

Steadystate  
Characteristics

A steadystate distribution exists if  $\rho = \frac{\lambda}{\mu} < 1$   
i.e., if service rate exceeds the arrival rate.

$$\pi_0 = 1 - \rho \quad = \text{probability that server is idle}$$

$$1 - \pi_0 = \rho \quad = \text{probability that server is busy}$$

*i.e., utilization of server*

There is no convenient formula for the probability of  $j$  customers in system when  $j > 0$ .

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$$L_q = \frac{\lambda^2 \sigma^2 + \rho^2}{2(1 - \rho)}$$

*average number of  
customers waiting*

After calculating  $L_q$ , Little's Formula allows us to compute:

$$W_q = \frac{L_q}{\lambda}, \quad W = W_q + \frac{1}{\mu},$$

$$\& \quad L = \lambda W = L_q + \rho$$

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For the M/M/1 queue, the standard deviation equals the mean service time, i.e.,  $\sigma = 1/\mu$

Using these formulae for the M/G/1 queueing system with  $\sigma^2 = 1/\mu^2$  will give results consistent with the formulae for M/M/1.