

Computer Modeling

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Before We Start

Passive vs. Active Learning

- After 2 weeks, we tend to remember
- Passive learning
 - 10% of what we read
 - 20% of what we hear
 - 30% of what we see (picture)
 - 50% of what we hear and see
- Active learning
 - 70% of what we say
 - 90% of what we say and do

Everybody! be an Active Learner

- recall prior material
- answer a question (say a lot!)
- guess the solution first (even guessing wrong will help you to remember the right approach)
- raise questions
- think of application
- imagine that you were the professor and think about how you would give a test on the subject material so that key concepts and results will be checked
- summarize a lecture, a set of homework or a lab in your own words concisely

An Active Learner will become an Independent Researcher
and Engineer

Course Information

- Office Hour: Tuesday 12 - 1pm at 301-409 (Lunch will be served by appointment)
 - come to me pretty often
- Contact:
 - Chang-Gun Lee (cglee@snu.ac.kr, 880-1862, 010-6549-5605)
 - TA: JungEun Kim (deep0314@snu.ac.kr)
- Grading (Tentative)
 - Attendance: 10%
 - Homework & Projects: 30%
 - Active participation: 10%
 - Midterm: 20%
 - Final: 30% (???)

Course Philosophy

- Modeling and Analysis of Computer Systems are important
 - For graduate study
 - For professional jobs in industry
- Students will be trained with both
 - Analytic model
 - Simulation

Topics

- **Basic Queueing Theory**
- **Hands on experiences with popular simulation tools**
 - SMPL
 - OMNet++
 - NS2
- **Play with actual examples**
 - Resource management in embedded systems
 - Real-time tracking in ubiquitous environments
 - Wireless sensor network protocols
 - Flash memory software

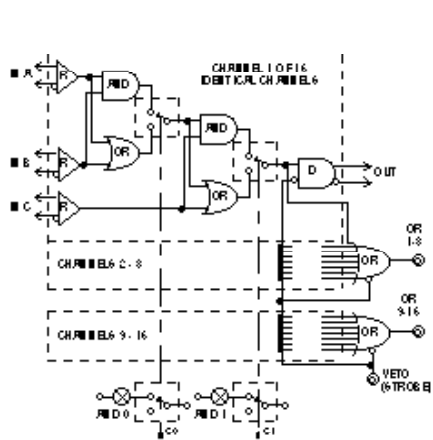
Textbook

- Lecture notes and research papers
- “Simulation Modeling and Analysis” by A. M. Law and W.D. Kelton, McGraw-Hill
- “Probability, Statistics, and Queueing Theory with Computer Science Applications” by A. O. Allen, Academic Press
- “Quantitative System Performance” by E. Lazowska, J. Zahorjan, S. Graham, K. Sevcik, Prentice-Hall
- OMNet++ Manual
- NS2 Manual

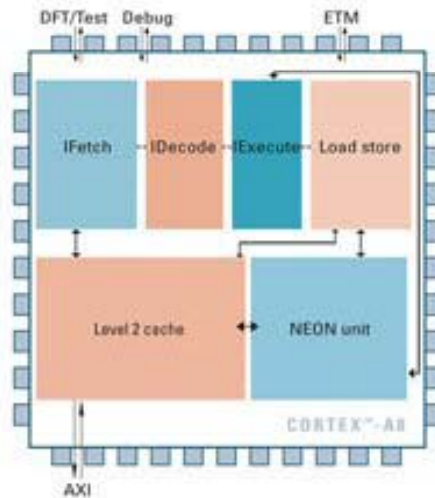
Why Computer Modeling is Important?

- Why?
 - We often make a computer-related mechanism.
 - We want to check the correctness of it
 - We want to see the performance of it
 - We want to improve it if it does not satisfy the requirements
 - My boss (in the industry and graduate school) will ask the above questions
- Why not?
 - Actually implement it and run it to see (and measure) its behavior
 - Take time to implement it
 - We need HW platform to implement it
 - We may waste the HW platform if it does not work
 - It is really painful to redo the implementation
- So, we need to check it before we actually implement it.
- For this, it is essential to MODEL it!

What to Model?



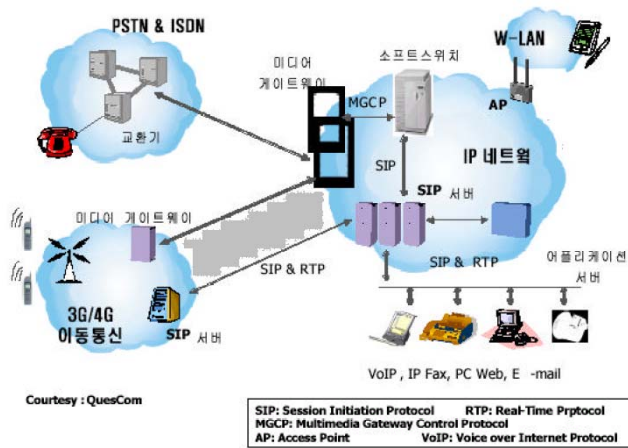
Digital Circuit



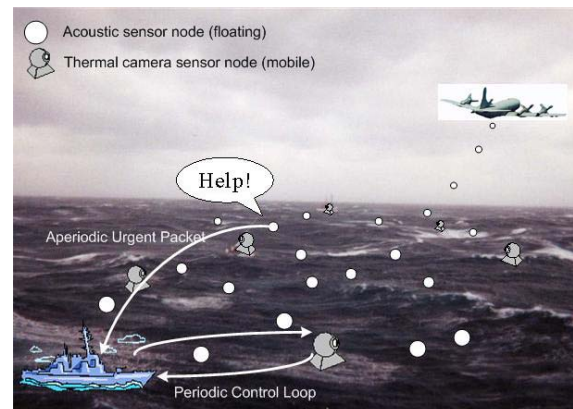
Processor Core



Embedded System



Internet



Wireless Sensor Network

How to Model?

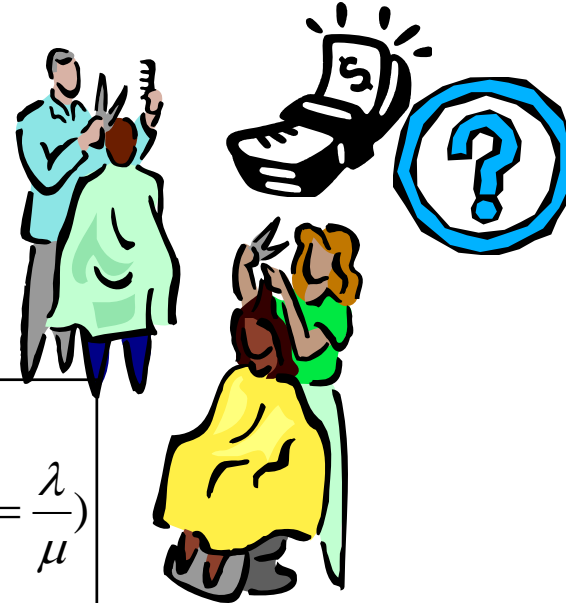
- Analytic method
- Simulation

Analytic method



Poisson Arrivals

$$P[Y = k] = e^{-\lambda t} \frac{(\lambda t)^k}{k!}$$



Performance

$$\text{\# of customers: } L = \frac{\rho}{1 - \rho} \text{ (where } \rho = \frac{\lambda}{\mu}\text{)}$$

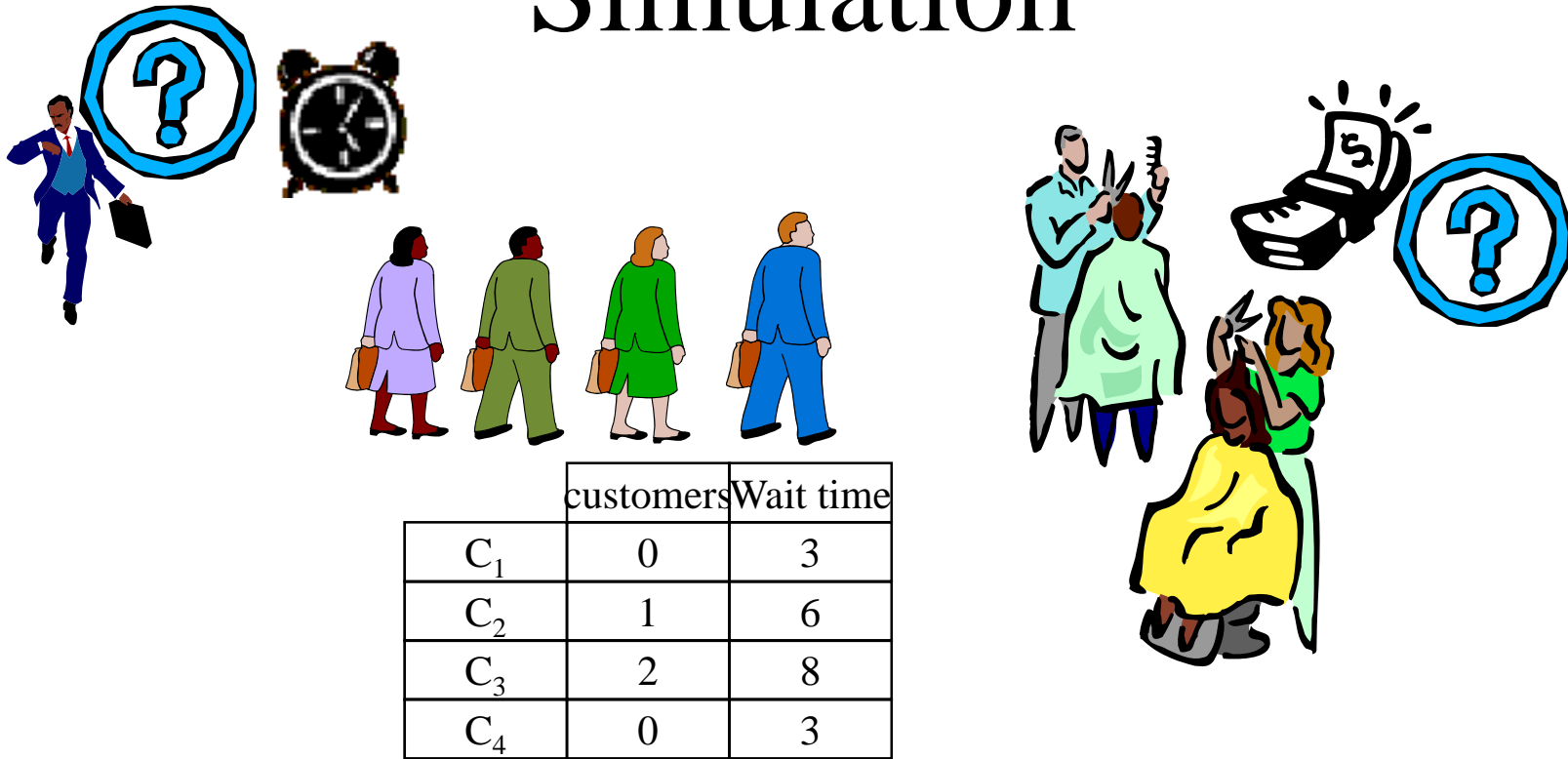
$$\text{waiting time: } W = \frac{\alpha}{(1 - \rho)}$$

Exponential Service Time

$$f(x) = \alpha e^{-\alpha x} \text{ (where } \alpha = \frac{1}{\mu}\text{)}$$

- Pros.
 - Closed form interpretation of the results
 - Easy to see the impacts of various parameters
- Cons.
 - Hard to apply for complicated systems
 - Often use simplifying assumptions (deviation from the reality)

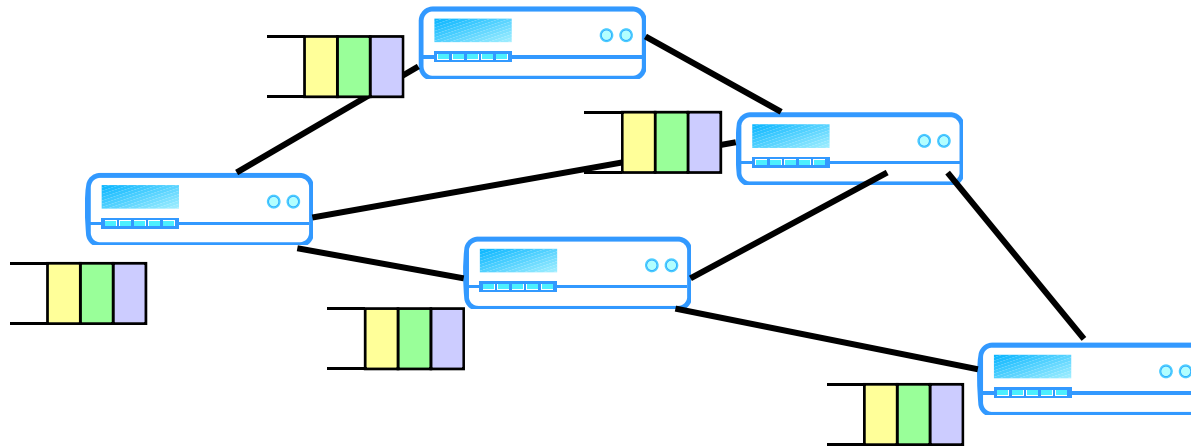
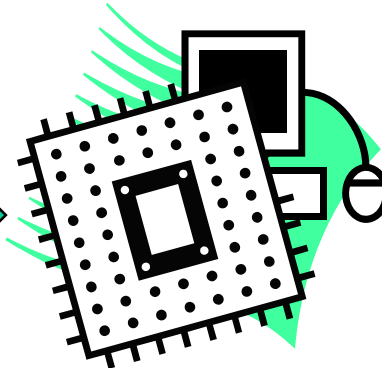
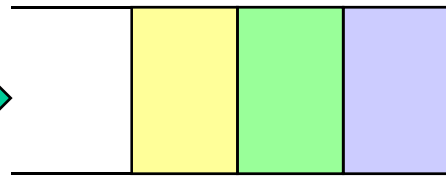
Simulation



- Pros.
 - Can model any kind of complex systems
 - Can model almost the reality
- Cons.
 - No simple look of inter-parameter relations
 - Quite long simulation time

Why Hair Salon for Computer Engineers?

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main()
{
  for(1)
    work hard;
}
```



Will it be an easy course?

- Easy for hard working guys
- Difficult for ...

- At the end, you will learn a lot and realize that this course is useful for your future!