

ELEC-E7450 Performance Analysis P (5 cr) Spring 2021

Pasi Lassila Department of Communications and Networking

General information

- Objective of the course:
 - ELEC-E7450 Performance Analysis covers basic queueing models (such as M/G/1) used to analyse and optimise the performance of various computer and communication systems.
 - It replaces earlier courses S-38.3141 Teletraffic Theory and S-38.3143 Queueing Theory
- Lectures and exercises:
 - Pasi Lassila, Pasi.Lassila@aalto.fi
- Course material:
 - lectures and exercises available on MyCourses

https://mycourses.aalto.fi/course/view.php?id=28568

Aalto University School of Electrical Engineering

Status



Aalto University School of Electrical Engineering

Learning outcomes

- After taking the course, the student ...
 - Is able to apply Markov processes and regenerative processes to model various computer and communication systems
 - Is able to construct, analyse and optimise stochastic queueing models to evaluate the performance of the system
 - Comprehends selected applications of the performance analysis of modern computer and communication systems



ELEC-E7450 Performance Analysis Spring 2021

4

Lectures, exercises and exam

- All lectures and exercise sessions organized remotely using Zoom
 - You can find the schedule in MyCourses home page in Section "Schedule and lecture material"
 - Just click on the link in the schedule and you should be able to join the event through your browser (might require installing a plugin). Note, you can also install Zoom software through Aalto IT.
- Lectures (6 hours/week):
 - on Tuesdays at 9:15-12 (starting on Apr 20)
 - on Thursdays at 9:15-12
- Exercises (2 hours/week):
 - on Wednesdays at 16:15-18 (starting already on Apr 21)
- Examination (3 hours):
 - on Wednesday, June 2
 - 5 problems, max. 30 points
 - at least one retrial examination (Aug/Sep)



More details on the exercises

- Homework exercises:
 - 6 problems per week
 - All problems are retrieved and graded
 - available on *MyCourses* about a week before the exercise class
- Retrieved problems:
 - Upload your solutions to the exercise folder in MyCourses before the beginning of the exercise session
 - Note the possibility to upload ends exactly 16:15 when the exercise session begins
 - Please make sure that your scans are readable so that grading is possible
 - Grading: {0, ½, 1} homework points per problem
 - Total maximum points from exercises: 36



More details on the exercises (cont.)

• Bonus points:

- 12 homework points = minimum requirement to pass the course
- -12 14 homework points = 0 bonus points in the examination
- -15-17 homework points = 1 bonus point in the examination
- 18 20 homework points = 2 bonus points in the examination
- -21 23 homework points = 3 bonus points in the examination
- -24 26 homework points = 4 bonus points in the examination
- -27 29 homework points = 5 bonus points in the examination
- -30-36 homework points = 6 bonus points in the examination
- Bonus points valid until April 2022

Aalto University School of Electrical Engineering

ELEC-E7450 Performance Analysis Spring 2021

7

Course completion

- Get at least 12 homework points, and
- pass the examination
- Final evaluation and grading may still change!



Schedule

Week	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Lectures	1,2	3,4	5,6	7 Tue!	8,9	10,11	Exam
Exercise classes	1	2	3	4	5	6	



Planned contents

- Weeks 16-17: ELEC-C7210 recap
 - basic queueing models, Poisson process, Markov processes, M/M/1
- Weeks 17-18: Single server queue M/G/1
 - regenerative processes, analysis, FIFO, PS
- Weeks 18-19: Queueing networks
 - tandem queue, open queueing networks, closed queueing networks
- Weeks 20-21: Processor sharing networks
 - elastic traffic, fairness concepts, Whittle networks, balanced fairness
- Week 21: Summary
- Week 22: Exam

