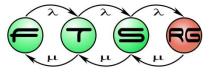
Dependability Analysis

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Main topics of the course

Overview (1)

- V&V techniques, Critical systems
- Static techniques (2)
 - Verifying specifications
 - Verifying source code
- Dynamic techniques: Testing (7)
 - Developer testing, Test design techniques
 - Testing process and levels, Test generation, Automation

System-level verification (3)

- Verifying architecture, Dependability analysis
- Runtime verification

Learning outcomes

- Explain the attributes of dependability and the objectives of dependability analysis (K2)
- Perform dependability analysis with reliability block diagrams (K3)
- Perform dependability analysis of simple redundancy structures with Markov chains (K3)
- Identify how stochastic Petri nets can be used for dependability analysis (K1)

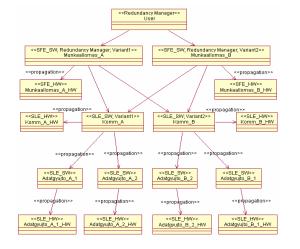


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Attributes of dependability



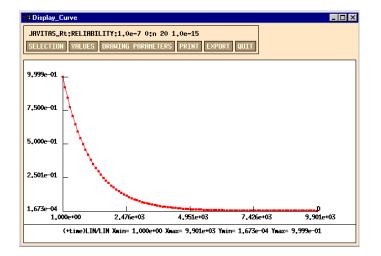






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Characterizing the system services

Typical extra-functional characteristics

- Reliability, availability, integrity, ...
- Depend on the faults occurring during the use of the services
- Composite characteristic: Dependability

Definition: Ability to provide service in which reliance can justifiably be placed

- Justifiably: based on analysis, evaluation, measurements
- Reliance: the service satisfies the needs
- Role of dependability
 - Service Level Agreements (IT service providers)
 - Tolerable Hazard Rate (safety-critical systems)



Attributes of dependability

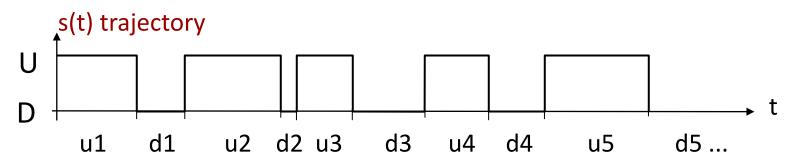
Attribute	Definition
Availability	Probability of correct service (considering repairs and maintenance) "Availability of the web service shall be 95%"
Reliability	Probability of continuous correct service (until the first failure) "After departure the onboard control system shall function correctly for 12 hours"
Safety	Freedom from unacceptable risk of harm
Integrity	Avoidance of erroneous changes or alterations
Maintainability	Possibility of repairs and improvements





Dependability metrics: Mean values

- Basis: Partitioning the states of the system
 - Correct (U, up) and incorrect (D, down) state partitions



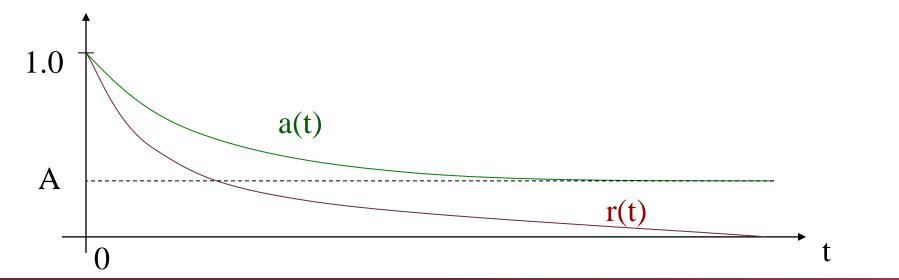
Mean values:

Mean Time to First Failure: MTFF = E{u1}
 Mean Up Time: MUT = MTTF = E{ui}
 (Mean Time To Failure)
 Mean Down Time: MDT = MTTR = E{di}
 (Mean Time To Repair)
 Mean Time Between Failures: MTBF = MUT + MDT



Dependability metrics: Probability functions

- Availability: $a(t) = P\{s(t) \in U\}$
- Asymptotic availability: $A = \lim_{t \to \infty} a(t)$ $A = \frac{MTTF}{MTTF + MTTR}$
- Reliability: $r(t) = P\{s(t') \in U, \forall t' < t\}$





Availability related requirements

Availability	Failure period per year
99%	~ 3,5 days
99,9%	~ 9 hours
99,99% ("4 nines")	~ 1 hour
99,999% ("5 nines")	~ 5 minutes
99,9999% ("6 nines")	~ 32 sec
99,99999%	~ 3 sec

Availability of a system built up from components,

- the availability of single a component is 95%,
- all components are needed to perform the system function
- system built from 2 components: 90%
- system built from 5 components : 77%
- system built from 10 components : 60%



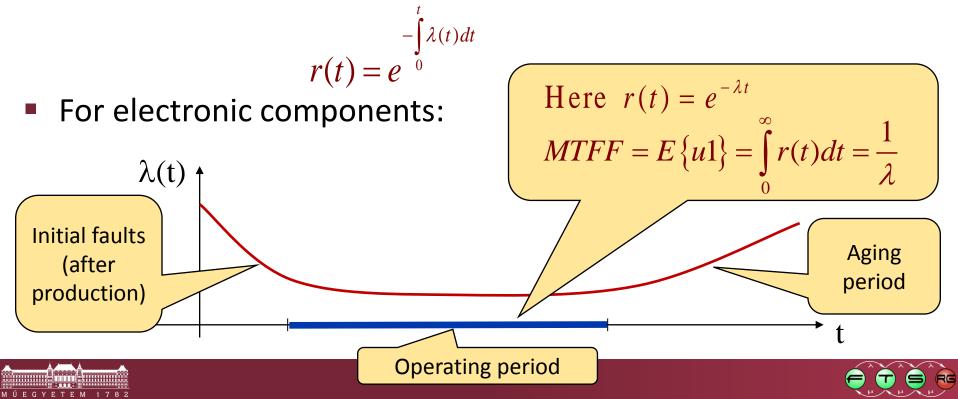
Attributes of components

• Fault rate: $\lambda(t)$

Probability that the component will fail at time point t given that it has been correct until t

$$\lambda(t)\Delta t = P\{s(t + \Delta t) \in D \mid s(t) \in U\} \text{ while } \Delta t \to 0$$

Reliability of a component on the basis of this definition:



Analysis techniques

- Qualitative analysis techniques:
 - Fault effects analysis: What are the component level failures (failure modes), that cause system level failure?
 - Identification of single points of failure
 - Techniques: Systematic causes and effects analysis
 - Fault tree analysis (FTA), Event tree analysis (ETA), Cause-consequence analysis (CCA), Failure modes and effects analysis (FMEA)
- Quantitative analysis techniques:
 - Dependability analysis: How can the system level dependability be calculated on the basis of component level fault properties?
 - System level reliability, availability, ...
 - Techniques: Construction and solution of dependability models
 - Reliability block diagrams (RBD)
 - Markov-chains (MC)
 - Stochastic Petri nets (SPN)



Goals of the dependability analysis

- On the basis of component characteristics
 - o fault rate (continuous operation), FIT: 10⁻⁹ faults/hour
 - fault probability (on-demand operation)
 - reliability function
 - calculation of

system level characteristics

- reliability function
- availability function
- asymptotic availability
- o MTFF
- o safety

Calculations are based on the system architecture and the failure modes



Using the results of the analysis

- Design: Comparison of alternative architectures
 - Having the same components, which architecture guarantees better dependability attributes?
- Design, maintenance: Sensitivity analysis
 - What are the effects of selecting another component?
 - Which components have to be changed in case of inappropriate attributes?
 - Which component characteristics have to be investigated in more detail? → Fault injection and measurements
- Handover: Justification of dependability attributes
 - Approval and startup of services
 - Certification (for safety critical systems)

Combinational models for dependability analysis

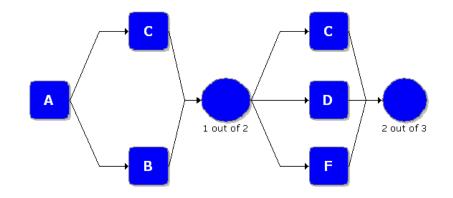






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Boole models for calculating dependability

- Two states of components: Fault-free or faulty
- There are no dependences among the components
 - Neither from the point of view of faults
 - Nor from the point of view of repairs
- Interconnection of components from the point of view of dependability: What kind of redundancy is used?

Serial connection: The components are not redundant

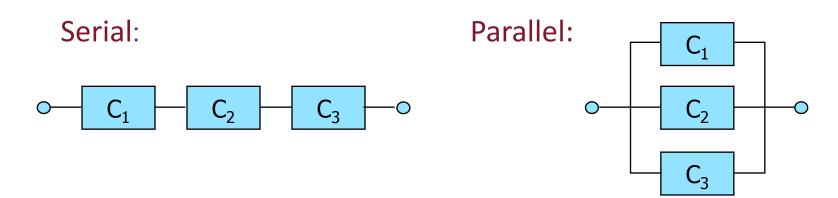
- If both components are necessary for the system operation
- Parallel connection: The components are redundant
 - If the components may replace each other





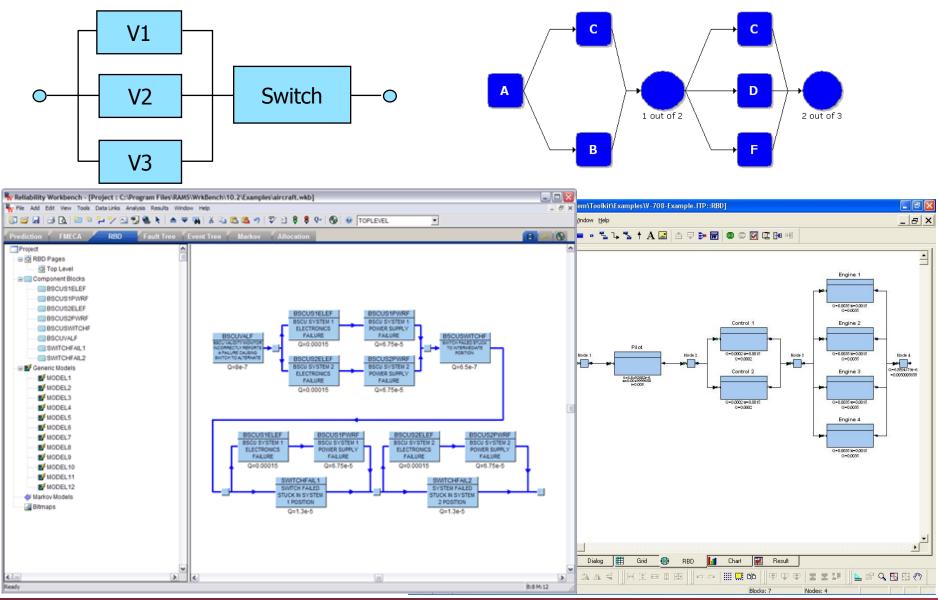
Reliability block diagram

- Blocks: Components (failure modes)
- Connection: Serial or parallel connection
- Paths: Operation system configurations
 - The system is operational (correct) if there is a path from the start point to the end point of the diagram through fault-free components





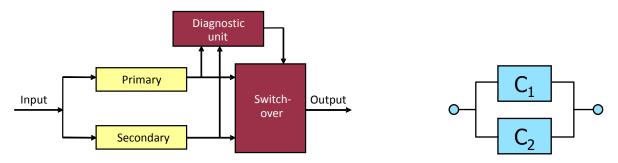
Reliability block diagram examples



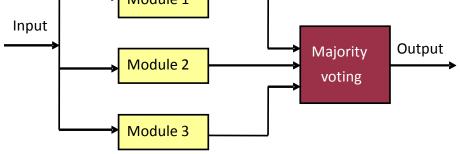
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Overview: Typical system configurations

- Serial system model: no redundancy
- Parallel system model: redundancy (replication)

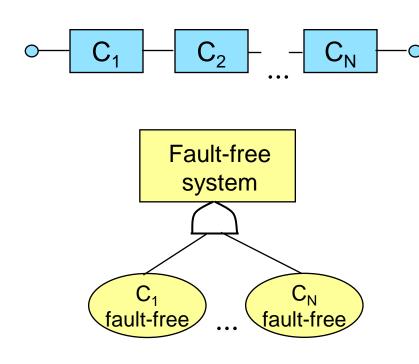


- Complex canonical system: redundant subsystems
- M faulty out of N components: Majority voting (TMR)

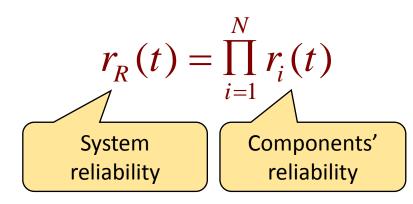




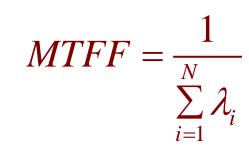
Serial system model



 $P(A \land B) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$ If independent Reliability for N components:

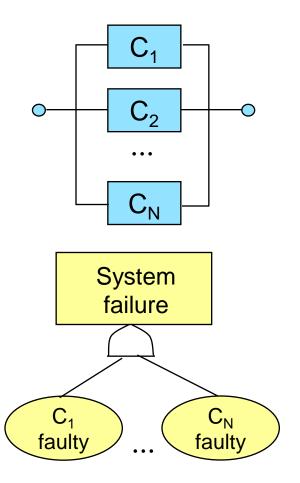


MTFF:





Parallel system model



 $P(A \land B) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$ if independent Reliability:

$$1 - r_{R}(t) = \prod_{i=1}^{N} (1 - r_{i}(t))$$

Identical N components:

$$r_{R}(t) = 1 - (1 - r_{C}(t))^{N}$$

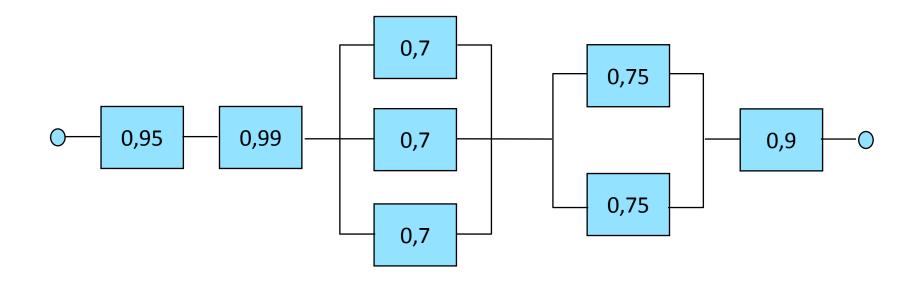
MTFF:

 $MTFF = \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{1}{i}$



Complex canonical system

Calculation on the basis of parts with basic connections
 Example: Calculation of asymptotic availability



$$K_{R} = 0,95 \cdot 0,99 \cdot \left[1 - (1 - 0,7)^{3}\right] \cdot \left[1 - (1 - 0,75)^{2}\right] \cdot 0,9$$





M faulty out of N components

N replicated components;
 If M or more components faulty: the system is faulty

$$r_{R} = \sum_{i=0}^{M-1} P\{\text{"there are i faulty components"}\}$$
$$r_{R} = \sum_{i=0}^{M-1} \binom{N}{i} (1-r)^{i} \cdot r^{N-i}$$

Application: Majority voting (TMR): N=3, M=2

$$r_{R} = \sum_{i=0}^{1} \binom{3}{i} (1-r)^{i} \cdot r^{3-i} = \binom{3}{0} (1-r)^{0} \cdot r^{3} + \binom{3}{1} (1-r)^{1} \cdot r^{2} = 3r^{2} - 2r^{3}$$
$$MTFF = \int_{0}^{\infty} r_{R}(t)dt = \int_{0}^{\infty} (3r^{2} - 2r^{3})dt = \frac{5}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda}$$



Cold redundant system

A new component is switched on to replace a faulty component:

$$MTFF = \sum_{i=1}^{N} MTFF_i$$

 In case of uniform replicated components, the system reliability function:

$$r_{R}(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \frac{\left(\lambda t\right)^{i}}{i!} e^{-\lambda t}$$





EXERCISE Reliability block diagram

A SCADA system consists of the following components: 4 data collector units, 3 control units, 2 supervisory servers, 1 logging server and the corresponding network

- The 2 supervisory servers are in a hot redundancy structure.
- 2 data collector units and 2 control units are hot redundant units
- The reliability data of the system components are given as follows (measured in hours, with independent repairs in case of faults):

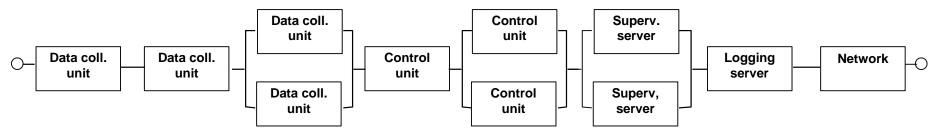
	Data coll. unit	Control unit	Superv server	Logging server	Network
MTTF	9000	12000	4500	2000	30000
MTTR	2	3	5	1	2

- Evaluate the system level availability using a reliability block diagram.
- Compute the asymptotic availability of the system using the above given parameters of the system components.
- How many hours is the system out of service per year?



EXERCISE Solution

Reliability block diagram:



Component level asymptotic availability: K = MTTF / (MTTF+MTTR)

	Data coll. unit (D)	Control unit (C)	Superv. server (S)	Logging server (L)	Network (N)
MTTF	9000	12000	4500	2000	30000
MTTR	2	3	5	1	2
К	KD=0.99977	KC=0.99975	KS=0.99889	KL=0.9995	KN=0.99993

System level asymptotic availability:

KD*KD*(1-(1-KD)*(1-KD))*KC*(1-(1-KC)*(1-KC))*(1-(1-KS)*(1-KS))*KL*KN = 0.9987362 Approx. 11 hours out of service per year



Component reliability data

- Component level reliability data are available in handbooks
 - MIL-HDBK-217: The Military Handbook Reliability Prediction of Electronic Equipment (for military applications. pessimistic)
 - Telcordia SR-332: Reliability Prediction Procedure for Electronic Equipment (for telco applications)
 - IEC TR 62380: Reliability Data Handbook Universal Model for Reliability Prediction of Electronic Components, PCBs, and Equipment (less pessimistic, supporting new component types)
- Dependencies of component level reliability data:
 - Temperature, weather conditions, shocking (e.g., in vehicles), height, ...

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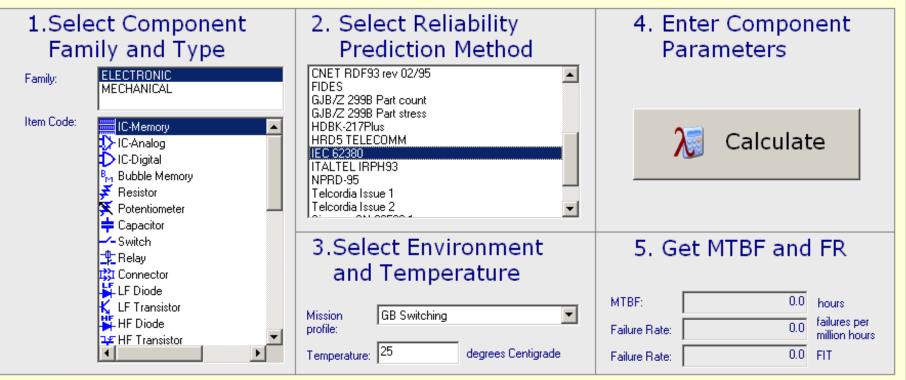
- Operational profiles
 - Ground; stationary; weather protected
 - Ground; non stationary; moderate
- Computations: hierarchic approach (with redundancy schemes)
 - Component -> Module -> Subsystem -> System

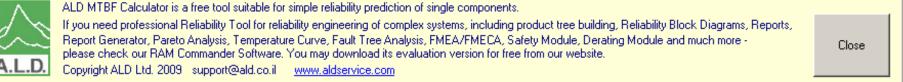


Tool example: The ALD MTBF Calculator

MTBF Calculator by ALD

Perform reliability prediction and MTBF/FR calculation for electronic and mechanical components in 5 simple steps:



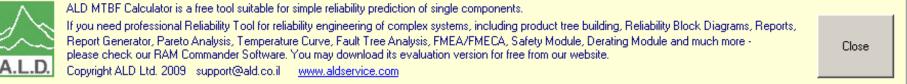




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Tool example: The ALD MTBF Calculator

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Family: ELECTRONIC MECHANICAL	Type: Standard Package: PDIL	
Item Code: ☐ IC-Memory ☐ IC-Analog ☐ IC-Digital B _M Bubble Memory ☑ Resistor	Subtype(GaAs): # of Pins: 20 Tech: MOS Substrate Material: # of gates: 30 Interface Circuits: T junction	Calculate
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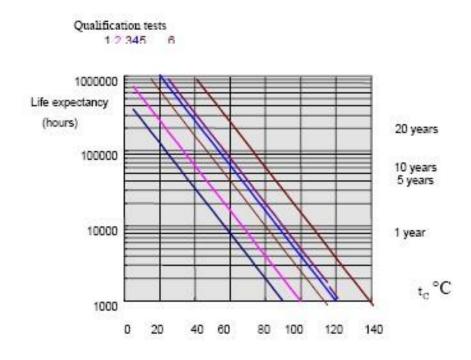
Example: Reliability of a module (serial system)

Component name	Туре	Additional data	IEC 62380 reference	Failure rate	Quantity
Panduit D461612	Connector	Rectangular	Default value	0,003625	1
Panduit D461612	Connector	Rectangular	Default value	0,007200	1
74AHCT14	IC-Digital	Standard	Substituted with - SN74AHCT14D	0,014200	3
74HC/HCT540	IC-Digital	Standard	Substituted with - CD74HC540E	0,019000	2
74HC/HCT541	IC-Digital	Standard	Substituted with - SN74AHCT541DW	0,014000	3
PALCE16V8	IC-Digital	PAL	Exact matching	0,036000	1
HMA124	Optoelectronic	Optocoupler	Default value	0,011600	16
MB6S	IC-Digital	Standard	Default value	0,012700	16
Resistor	Resistor	General purpose	Default value	0,000232	32
Resistor	Resistor	Fixed, high dissipation film	Default value	0,001047	32
Capacitor	Capacitor	Tantalum - solid electrolyte	Default value	0,000725	17
Capacitor	Capacitor	Ceramic class II.	Default value	0,000223	41
SMD led	Optoelectronic	Solid State Lamp	Default value	0,002000	16
U22-DI016-C3	PWB		Default value	0,003403	1
SOD80 BZV55C	LF Diode	Zener	Default value	0,011500	64
Module:	1,392021 failure per million hours				



Estimation of life expectancy

- What is the lifetime of electronic components?
 - o When does the fault rate start increasing?
 - At this time scheduled maintenance (change) is required
- IEC 62380: "Life expectancy"
- Especially limited: In case of electrolyte capacitors
 - Depends on temperature
 - Depends on qualification
 - Example: ~ 100 000 hours
 (~ 11 years)





Markov models for dependability analysis

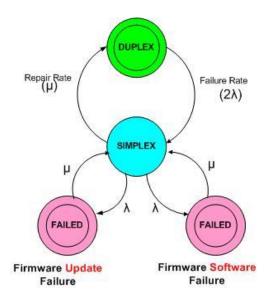






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Model: Continuous Time Markov Chain

Definition: CTMC = (S, R)

○ **S** set of discrete states:

s₀, s₁, ..., s_n

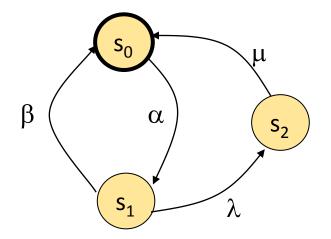
 \bigcirc **<u>R</u>: S×S→R**_{≥0} state transition rates

Notation:

• Rate of leaving a state: $E(s) = \sum_{s' \in S, s \neq s'} R_{s,s'}$

 $\bigcirc \mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{R} - \operatorname{diag}(\mathbf{E})$ infinitesimal generator matrix

- $\circ \sigma = s_0, t_0, s_1, t_1, \dots$ path (s_i is left at t_i)
- $\circ \sigma @t$ the state at time t
- O Path(s) set of paths from s



Solution of a CTMC

- Transient state probabilities:
 - $π(s_0, s, t) = P{σ∈Path(s_0) | σ@t=s}$ probability that starting from s₀ the system is in state s at time t
 - $\circ \pi(s_0, t)$ starting from s_0 , the probabilities of the states at t
 - CTMC transient solution:

$$\frac{d\underline{\pi}(s_0,t)}{dt} = \underline{\pi}(s_0,t)\underline{Q}$$

$$P\{\text{being in } s \text{ for } t\} = e^{-E(s)t}$$
$$E\{\text{time spent in } s\} = \frac{1}{E(s)}$$

- Steady state probabilities:
 - $\pi(s_0, s) = \lim_{t\to\infty} \pi(s_0, s, t)$ state probabilities (starting from s_0)
 - $\circ \underline{\pi}(s_0)$ state probabilities (vector)
 - CTMC steady state solution:

$$\underline{\pi}(s_0)\underline{\underline{Q}} = 0$$
 where $\sum_{s} \pi(s_0, s) = 1$



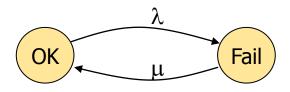
CTMC dependability model

CTMC states

 System level states: Combination of component states (faultfree, or faulty according to a failure mode)

- CTMC transitions
 - Component level fault occurrence: Rate of the transition is the component fault rate (λ)
 - Component level repair:

Rate of the transition is the component repair rate (μ), which is the reciprocal of the repair time



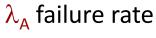
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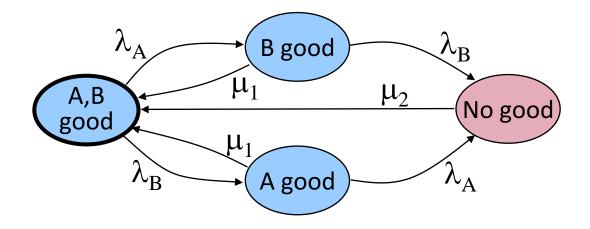


Example: CTMC dependability model

- System consisting of two servers, A and B:
 - The servers may independently fail
 - The servers can be repaired independently of together
- System states: Combination of the server states (good/faulty)
- Transition rates:
 - Fault of server A:
 - Fault of server B:
 - Repair of a server:
 - Repair of both servers:



- $\lambda_{\rm B}$ failure rate
- μ_1 repair rate
- μ_2 repair rate





Computation of system level attributes

- Identifying state partitions
 - System level "up" state partition U and "down" partition D
- Solution of the CTMC model:
 - Transient solution: $\pi(s_0, s, t)$ time functions
 - \circ Steady state solution: $\pi(s_0, s)$ probabilities
- Availability: a(t) = 2

$$a(t) = \sum_{s_i \in U} \pi(s_0, s_i, t)$$

 $s_i \in U$

- Asymptotic availability: $A = \sum \pi(s_0, s_i)$
- Reliability: $r(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \pi(s_0, s_i, t)$
 - Here: Before the solution the model shall be modified: state transitions from partition D to U shall be deleted



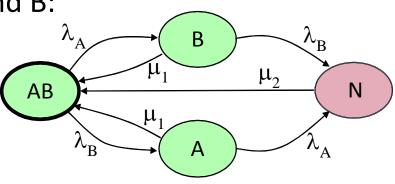
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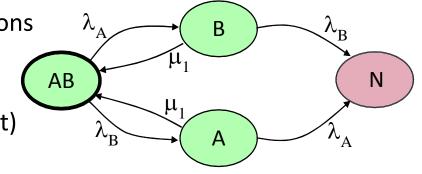
$$U = \{s_{AB}, s_A, s_B\}, \quad s_0 = s_{AB}$$
$$D = \{s_N\}$$

- Availability:
- Asymptotic availability:
- Reliability:
 - Modifying the model: Deleting transitions from D = {s_N} partition to U
 - Solution of the modified model:

$$r(t) = \pi(s_0, s_{AB}, t) + \pi(s_0, s_A, t) + \pi(s_0, s_B, t)$$



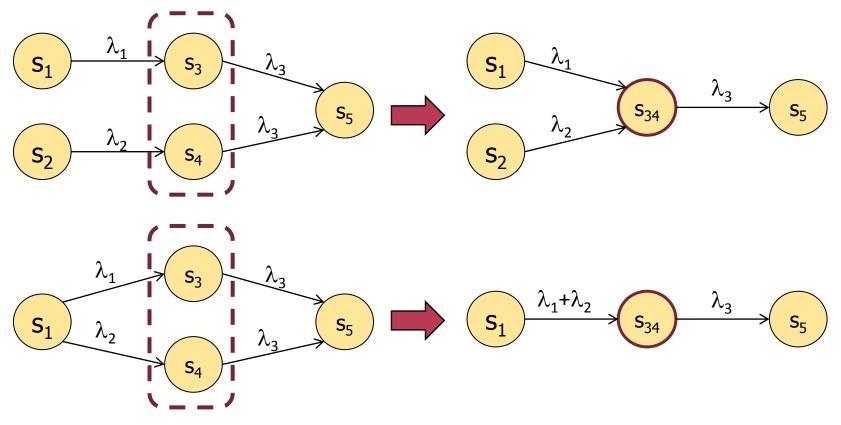
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Reducing CTMC models

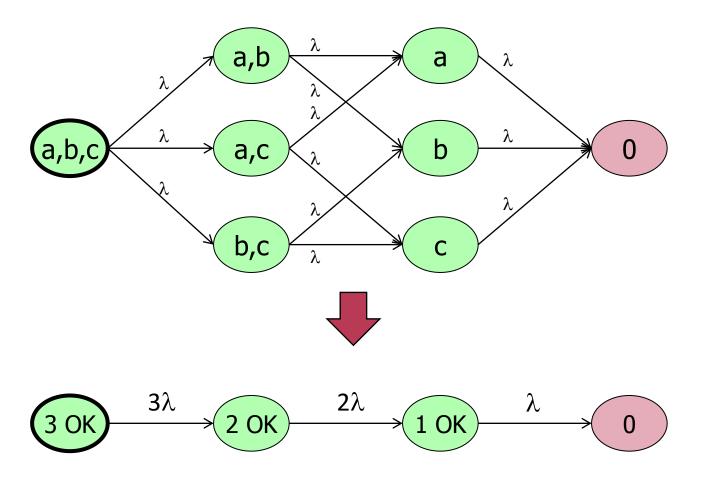
- Merging states
 - Condition: Transitions to the same states with the same rates (outgoing transitions and rates do not distinguish the states)
 - After merging, the outgoing rate and the incoming rates remain the same (from the same state: incoming rates are summarized)





Example: Merging states

- Model: 3 redundant (replicated) components
- The components (a, b, c) have the same fault rate λ





CTMC dependability models (1)

N-2

(N-2)λ →>

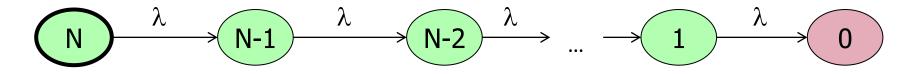
Hot redundancy, N components:

N-1

Nλ

(N-1)λ

- Computing MTTF in case of hot redundancy • Time spent in state where k components are good: $\frac{1}{k\lambda}$
- Cold redundancy, N components:



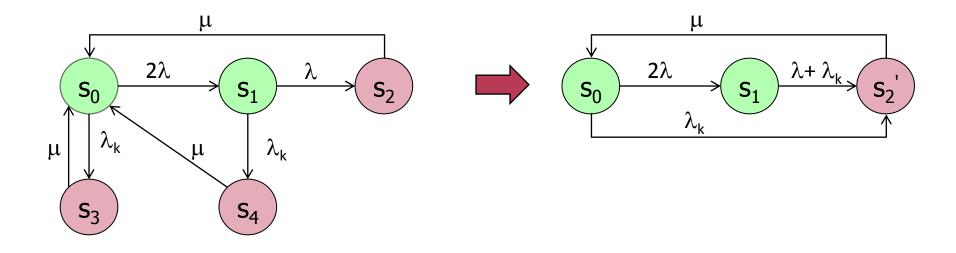




λ

CTMC dependability models (2)

- Active redundancy
 - \circ 2 components, each with λ failure rate
 - \circ Switch between components, with λ_k failure rate
 - \odot In case of a fault complete repair, with μ repair rate





Tools for dependability analysis

For both combinational dependability models

- Fault tree,
- Event tree,
- Reliability block diagram,
- FME(C)A, ...
- and Markov chains:
 - o Relex 2009 (<u>www.relex.com</u>)
 - Item Toolkit (<u>www.itemuk.com</u>)
 - RAM Commander, ... (<u>www.aldservice.com</u>)
 - Functional Safety Suite





Stochastic Petri nets for dependability analysis

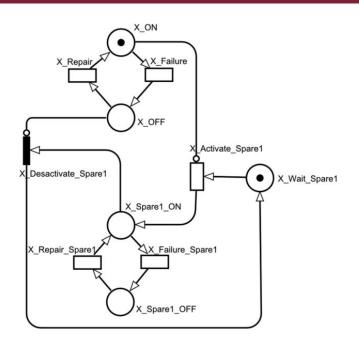




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 - Markov models (CTMC)
 - **O Stochastic Petri-nets**



Model: Stochastic Petri-nets (SPN)

- SPN: Stochastic Petri Net
- Extension of simple Petri-nets
 - Transitions have random firing delay
 - Firing delay is sampled from a negative exponential probability distribution function
- Modified semantics of firing
 - Enabled transitions: Conditions do not change
 - Firing rule: A transition may fire at t+d, if
 - It became enabled at time t
 - It sampled delay d from the probability distribution
 - It remained enabled in time period [t, t+d)





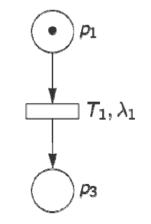
Notation

- Graphical notation:
 - Stochastic transitions are empty rectangles
 - \circ Extra λ parameter is assigned: firing rate

• Firing rate as parameter of a transition:

- \circ In case of transition T_i : λ_i is the parameter of the negative exponential distribution used to sample the d_i firing delay
- In case of a transition with λ_i parameter, for the sampled d_i firing delay:

$$P\left\{d_{i} \leq t\right\} = 1 - e^{-\lambda_{i}}$$
$$P\left\{d_{i} > t\right\} = e^{-\lambda_{i}t}$$





Summary of the properties of SPNs

- The time needed to reach a new marking has negative exponential distribution
 - Even in the case of concurrent or conflicting transitions
- The timed reachability graph is a CTMC
 - Its structure is independent from the values of firing rates
 The solutions for CTMC can be used for SPN analysis
- Results of the analysis:
 - Steady state solution (existing if the SPN is bounded and reversible):
 - Probabilities of markings (time functions or asymptotic)
 - Throughput of transitions
 - Transient solution:
 - Probability time functions of markings



Model: Generalized Stochastic Petri-nets

- GSPN: Generalized Stochastic Petri-net
- Extensions of SPN:
 - Immediate transitions: Used for modeling dependencies
 - Priority: > 0
 - Weight for resolution of conflicts among transitions of the same priority
 - Timed transitions: Used for timed events
 - Priority: 0
 - Firing rate: Parameter of the negative exponential distribution for sampling the firing delay (it may be marking dependent)
 - Inhibitor arcs
 - Guards: Predicates for enabling transitions
- The reachability graph is still a CTMC
 - Vanishing markings (when an immediate transition fires)
 - Tangible markings (when a timed transition fires)



Model: Other types of Petri-nets

- DSPN: Deterministic and Stochastic Petri Net
 - Deterministic firing delay (constant firing time) of transitions is also possible
 - Useful for modeling repair time
 - Solution of the model is easy if in each marking only a single deterministic transition is enabled
- General timed Petri-nets (TPN)
 - General distribution can be used to sample the firing delay of transitions
 - There are several policies (semantics) to re-sample the firing delay in new markings (aster firing of another transition)
 - It is possible to model the restart or continuation of activities of various timing
 - In general case the reachability graph is not a CTMC: Analysis is possible by simulation or approximation



Model: Assignment of rewards

- SRN: Stochastic Reward Net
 - Reward: "Profit" or "cost" functions can be assigned to markings or firings
- Rate reward:
 - Assigned to markings, reward/time value is given by the function
 - Example: If the server is healthy then the profit is 300 Ft/hour, otherwise the penalty is 200 Ft/hour:
 - if (m(Healthy) > 0) then ra=300 otherwise ra=-200
 - Computed: Accumulated reward (e.g., profit/penalty) integrated for a given time interval
- Impulse reward:
 - Assigned to transitions, reward/firing value is given by the function
 - Example: The cost of a repair is 500 Ft:

if (fire(Repair)) then ri=500

• Computed: Sum of rewards for a time interval, counting the firings



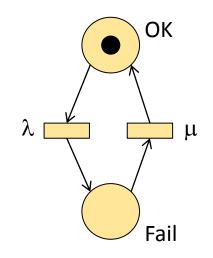


SPN (GSPN) dependability model

- Advantages in comparison with CTMC:
 - Modeling concurrent fault occurrences and repair activities
 - It is not necessary to represent system level states
- SPN places
 - Component level states: Healthy, faulty according to failure modes; these can be for each component separately
- SPN transitions

 - Component level repair: The parameter is the μ repair rate (reciprocal of the repair time)

 System level repair (transition between multiple places): The parameter is the repair rate of the system state





Computation of system attributes

- Definition of state partitions: Based on markings
 Normal "up" U and failure "down" D partitions
- Computation of availability
 - Direct: Probability of being in the U state partition
 - o Reward based:
 - if (m∈U) then ra=1 else ra=0
 - ra time function: availability function
 - ra expected value: asymptotic availability A=E{ra}





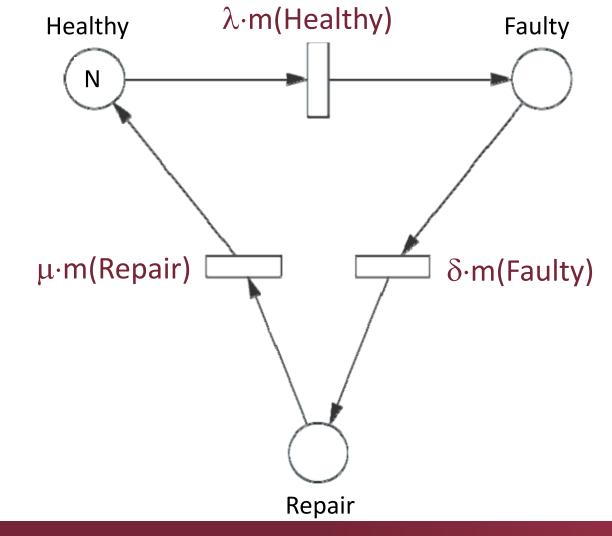
Example: Redundant servers

- Cluster consisting of N servers with identical fault rates
 - The cluster is "up" is at least one server is healthy
- Fault occurrences:
 - \circ Fault rate of a server is λ
 - The faults of servers are independent
- Repair:
 - $\circ~$ In case of a detected fault the repair is characterized by the repair rate $\mu~$ (parameter of a negative exponential distribution)
 - $\circ~$ The detection delay of faults is characterized by the detection rate $\delta~$ (parameter of a negative exponential distribution)
 - It is possible to detect the faults and repair more servers at a time
- Model:
 - Places: Healthy, Faulty, Repair (marking: number of servers)
 - Transitions: Fault occurrence, detection, repair (marking dependent rates)
 - U state partition: m(Healthy)>0
 - Availability: Probability of being in state partition U



Example: Redundant servers

Compact model with marking dependent rates:





Summary

 Attributes of dependability

 Reliability, availability: Probability-time functions

Combinational modeling: Reliability block diagram
 Serial, parallel, majority voting structures

State based modeling: Markov chain

Computation: Probability of state partitions

Concurrency based modeling: Stochastic Petri-net
 Computation: Probability of markings

