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Abstract:

We consider a network of two queues in tandem with one server in the first queue, and $n \geq 1$ in the second queue. Customers access the system through the first queue in accordance with Poisson input having parameter λ . Holding times are independent and identically distributed exponential random variables with rates μ_1 and μ_2 at the first and second queues respectively. A blocking phenomenon is observed in the system with empty buffer between stages, bringing about a withdrawal effect. We obtain the state probabilities and observe that the system has no product form.