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#### Abstract

We are concerned with the analysis of the waiting time distribution in an $M / M / 1$ queue in which the interarrival time between the $n$th and the $(n+1)$ th customers and the service time of the $n$th customer are correlated random variables with Downton's bivariate exponential distribution. In this paper we show that the conditional waiting time distribution, given that the waiting time is positive, is exponential.


Keywords Correlated queue, Bivariate exponential distribution, Workload

## 1 Introduction

In $M / M / 1$ queues it is usually assumed that the interarrival time between two consecutive customers is independent of their service times. However, this assumption does not consider flexibility, where the server may speed up or slow down depending on the demand.

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