

An Analytical Solution for a Non-Preemptive Handoff Priority-based Cellular Scheme with Drop out Voice and Data Calls

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ABSTRACT

The design and engineering of proficient multimedia traffic schemes in wireless cellular networks with Quality of Service (QoS) guarantees involve the performance modeling and analysis of multi-server, finite capacity nodes of queueing network models (QNMs) with drop out calls from queue. This paper focuses on a non-preemptive cellular scheme, where originating and handoff voice and data calls are prioritized by assigning finite capacity queues with dedicated channels, as appropriate. In this context, a performance evaluation study is undertaken based on the analysis of a finite capacity M/M/c/K building block queue with c servers with a Poisson call arrival process and exponentially distributed call time out periods. A new exact closed form steady state probability distribution and associated performance measures are derived and some typical numerical experiments are carried out to evaluate the impact of different traffic patterns on QoS.

Keywords

Queueing theory, wireless cellular systems, mobility, originating voice and data calls, handoff voice and data calls, call timeout periods.

1. INTRODUCTION

The performance evaluation of a cellular cell for which there is a queue for hand off voice and data calls is a complex problem. In [10] handoff scheme in integrated voice/data wireless network has been analyzed, in this scheme smooth termination and force termination are not considered for performance evaluation. The voice/data wireless networks with priority reservation and preemptive procedures [1], an analytical model is presented where only handoff data calls are queued and priority is given to handoff voice calls but when all the channels are busy processing calls all handoff voice, originating voice and data calls are dropped. The smooth termination and force termination of calls is not considered. Effects of hand off of queued call requests with finite queue size are studied in [6]. Guard Channel Scheme(GCS) and Handoff Queueing Scheme(HQS) is extended in [9] where the channels for handoff calls are reserved dynamically depending on the current status of the handoff queue, important performance metrics i.e.

forced termination and smooth termination of calls are not taken in to account. Handover and Class-Based Call admission control algorithm for heterogeneous wireless networks is presented in [4], the system analyzed is a Loss-System i.e. when all the channels are busy processing calls, all calls will be blocked. Calls are prioritized with dedicated channels assigned. In [5, 7, 8] the analytical solutions developed has overlooked upon important probabilistic assumptions made by stochastic processes, which are not being satisfied.

In this paper an analytical solution associated with queues with multimedia traffic consisting of originating and handoff; voice and data calls, with time out periods is devised. This solution is a simple and cost effective generalization to one devised in [3].

Rest of the paper is organized as follow; Section 2 presents a queueing model of a non-preemptive cellular handoff scheme. Section 3 derives the exact solution of the flow balance equations of the queueing model. Section 4 determines the analytic expressions for the corresponding performance measures, such as the mean numbers and blocking probabilities of originating and handoff calls in queue, the actual arrival rate and the mean waiting times of originating and handoff calls. Some typical numerical experiments are carried out in Section 5. Conclusions and remarks on future work follow in Sections 6 and 7, respectively.

2. Model Description

With this Queueing system there are S channels in total and channel holding time is exponentially distributed with parameter μ , i.e. service time is independently distributed with mean $1/\mu$.

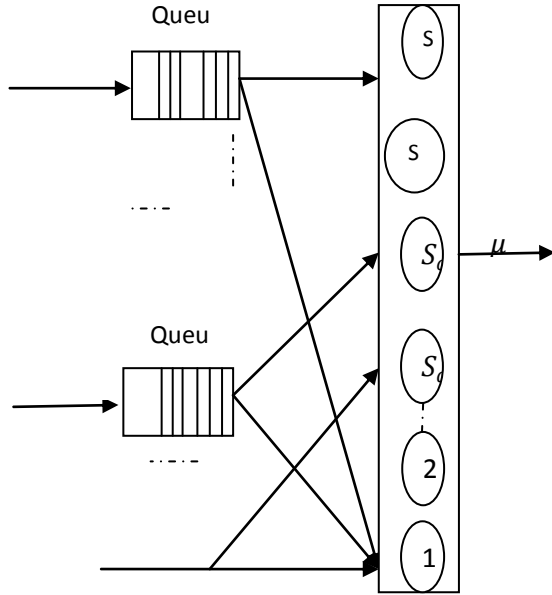


Fig. 1.A queueing model of a non-preemptive handoff priority-based scheme

Calls are of four types i.e. originating voice and data calls, handoff voice and data calls. Let h_{ov} , h_{od} , h_{hv} and h_{hd} be the four random variables of inter arrival time of respective calls. All arrivals occur from an infinite source in accordance with a Poisson process with parameter λ_{ov} , λ_{od} , λ_{hv} and λ_{hd} respectively, inter arrival times are independent and exponentially distributed with mean $\frac{1}{\lambda_{ov}}$, $\frac{1}{\lambda_{od}}$, $\frac{1}{\lambda_{hv}}$ and $\frac{1}{\lambda_{hd}}$. Therefore by memory less property of exponential distribution remaining inter arrival time Δh_{ov} , Δh_{od} , Δh_{hv} and Δh_{hd} is also exponentially distributed, with parameter $\Delta \lambda_{ov}$, $\Delta \lambda_{od}$, $\Delta \lambda_{hv}$ and $\Delta \lambda_{hd}$. Next arrival will be $\min(\Delta h_{ov}, \Delta h_{od}, \Delta h_{hv}, \Delta h_{hd})$ [2]. Hence next arrival will also be exponentially distributed with parameter $1/\lambda$ i.e. sum of λ_{ov} , λ_{od} , λ_{hv} and λ_{hd} .

$$\lambda = \lambda_{ov} + \lambda_{od} + \lambda_{hv} + \lambda_{hd}$$

Originating voice and data calls are blocked when S_d channels are busy processing calls. Handoff data calls are queued in queue of size M_o ; when S_c channels are busy processing calls, if queue is full handoff data calls are blocked. These blocked calls are lost and never return to system.

A handoff data call is deleted from queue if it moves out of cell before getting service, rate of such calls is μt and is exponentially distributed with mean $1/\mu t$. while handoff voice calls are served until any of S channels is available, handoff voice calls that arrive and find all S channels busy wait in queue of length M_h and in case if queue is full handoff voice calls are lost and these lost calls depart immediately and never return to system.

$$\begin{cases} \lambda = & \lambda_{ov} + \lambda_{od} + \lambda_{hv} + \lambda_{hd} & 0 \leq n_1 \leq S_d \\ \lambda' = & \lambda_{hv} + \lambda_{hd} & S_c < n_1 < S_c \\ \lambda = \lambda_{hv} & S_c \leq n_1 \leq S + M_h - 1 \text{ and } 1 \leq n_2 \leq M_o - 1 \end{cases}$$

Else 0

Some of handoff voice calls that wait in queue may dropped out either because call is completed or of time out period. First one is called as smooth termination and time of smooth termination is exponentially distributed with mean $1/\mu c$. The later one is called force termination and time of such calls is exponentially distributed with mean $1/\mu d$

As μd , μc and μ are exponentially distributed and remaining time $\Delta \mu c$, $\Delta \mu d$ and $\Delta \mu$ are also exponentially distributed therefore next departure will be $\min(\Delta \mu c, \Delta \mu d, \Delta \mu)$. By memory less property of exponential distribution service time is exponentially distributed with mean $1/\mu c + \mu h + \mu$.

$$\begin{cases} \mu_{n_1} = n_1 \mu & 1 \leq n_1 \leq S \\ = S \mu + n_1 (\mu d + \mu c) & S < n_1 \leq S + M_h \\ \mu_{n_2} = S_c \mu + n_2 \mu t & 1 \leq n_2 \leq M_0 \text{ and } n_1 = S_c \\ = n_2 \mu t & S_c < n_1 \leq S + M \text{ and } 1 \leq n_2 \leq M_0 \\ \text{else } 0 \end{cases}$$

It's been assumed that system has reached steady state, so for every state $S(n_1, n_2)$ ($n_1=0,1,\dots,M_h$, $n_2=0,1,\dots,M_o$) mean flow of population into a state is equal to mean flow out of state. Flow balance equations form base to find performance metrics of queueing system.

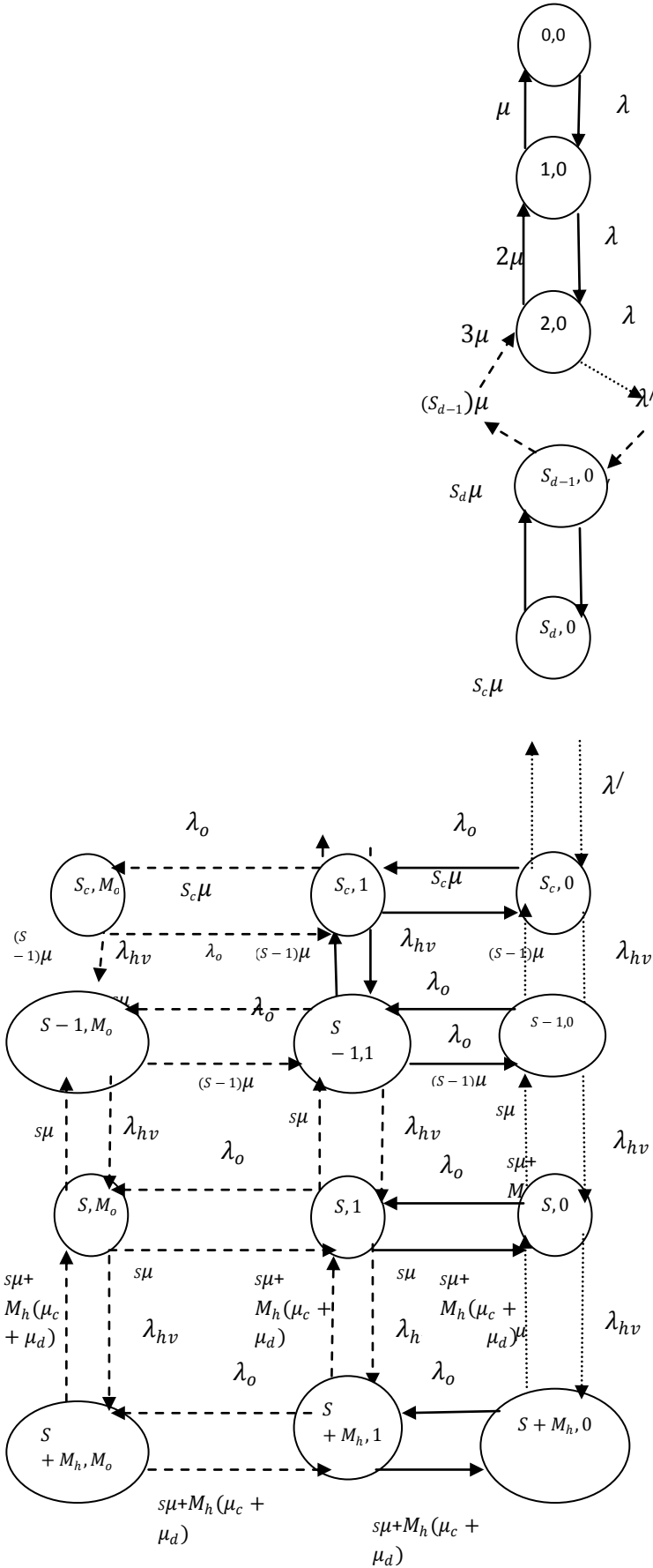


Fig. 2. State rate transition diagram

3. Flow Balance Equations

By equating mean flow rate out of state (n_1, n_2) to mean rate into state (n_1, n_2) , the equilibrium equations are obtained for state probabilities $p(n_1, n_2)$. For states (n_1, n_2) , flow balance equations exhibit the so called product form stated for L-Rule in [2], for state probabilities $p(n_1, n_2)$ i.e.

$$p(n_1, n_2) = C * \frac{\rho_1^{n_1} \rho_2^{n_2}}{n_1! n_2!}$$

where C is constant, now let $n_1 = n_2 = 0$, above equation will be of form

$$p(0,0) = C$$

Therefore it can written as

$$p(n_1, n_2) = \frac{\rho_1^{n_1} \rho_2^{n_2}}{n_1! n_2!} p(0,0) \quad (1)$$

By manipulating flow rates in equation 1, the equation can be written

$$p(n_1, n_2) = \sum_{n_1=1}^{S_d-1} \frac{\rho_1^{n_1}}{n_1!} p(0,0) \quad \text{for } n_2 = 0 \text{ and } 0 \leq n_1 < S_d$$

$$p(n_1, n_2) = \sum_{n_1=1}^{S_d-1} \frac{\lambda^{S_d} \lambda^{n_1-S_d}}{n_1! \mu^{n_1}} p(0,0) \quad \text{for } n_2 = 0 \text{ \& } S_d \leq n_1 < S_c$$

$$p(n_1, n_2) = \sum_{n_2=1}^{M_o-1} \frac{\lambda^{S_d} \lambda^{S_c-S_d} \lambda_{hv}^{n_1-S_c} \lambda_{hd}^{n_2}}{S_c! \mu^{S_c} \prod_{n=1}^{n_2} (S_c \mu + n \mu_t)} p(0,0) \quad \text{for } n_1 = S_c \text{ \& } 1 \leq n_2 < M_o$$

$$p(n_1, n_2) = \sum_{n_1=S_c+1}^{S-1} \sum_{n_2=1}^{M_o-1} \frac{\lambda^{S_d} \lambda^{S_c-S_d} \lambda_{hv}^{n_1-S_c} \lambda_{hd}^{n_2}}{n_1! \mu^{n_1} \{\prod_{n=1}^{n_2} n \mu_t\}} p(0,0) \quad \text{for } S_c < n_1 < S \text{ \& } 1 \leq n_2 < M_o$$

$$p(n_1, n_2) = \sum_{n_1=S}^{M_h-1} \sum_{n_2=1}^{M_o-1} \frac{\lambda^{S_d} \lambda^{S_c-S_d} \lambda_{hv}^{n_1-S_c} \lambda_{hd}^{n_2}}{S! \mu^S \{\prod_{x=1}^{n_1-S} (S \mu + (x)(\mu_c + \mu_d))\} \{\prod_{n=1}^{n_2} n \mu_t\}} p(0,0) \quad \text{for } S < n_1 < M_h \text{ \& } 1 \leq n_2 < M_o$$

$$p(n_1, n_2) = \sum_{n_1=S_c+1}^S \frac{\lambda^{S_d} \lambda^{S_c-S_d} \lambda_{hv}^{n_1-S_c} \lambda_{hd}^{M_o}}{n_1! \mu^{n_1} \prod_{n=1}^{M_o} n \mu_t} p(0,0) \quad \text{for } S_c < n_1 \leq S \text{ \& } n_2 = M_o$$

$$p(n_1, n_2) = \sum_{n_1=S+1}^{M_h-1} \sum_{n_2=M_o}^{M_h-1} \frac{\lambda^{S_d} \lambda^{S_c-S_d} \lambda_{hv}^{n_1-S_c} \lambda_{hd}^{M_o}}{S! \mu^S \{\prod_{x=1}^{n_1-S} (S \mu + (x)(\mu_c + \mu_d))\} \prod_{n=1}^{M_o} n \mu_t} p(0,0) \quad \text{for } S < n_1 \leq M_h - 1 \text{ \& } n_2 = M_o$$

$$p(n_1, n_2) = \sum_{n_1=S_c+1}^S \frac{\lambda^{S_d} \lambda^{S_c-S_d} \lambda_{hv}^{n_1-S_c}}{n_1! \mu^{n_1}} p(0,0) \quad \text{for } S_c < n_1 \leq S \text{ \& } n_2 = 0$$

$$p(n_1, n_2) = \sum_{\substack{n_1=S+1 \\ n_2=0}}^{M_h-1} \frac{\lambda^{S_d} \lambda^{S_c-S_d} \lambda_{hv}^{n_1-S_c}}{S! \mu^S \{ \prod_{x=1}^{n_1-S} (S\mu + (x)(\mu_c + \mu_d)) \}} p(0,0) \text{ for } S < n_1 \leq M_h - 1 \text{ \& } n_2 = 0$$

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Since sum of all probabilities is equal to 1, therefore

$$\begin{aligned} & [1 + \sum_{n_1=1}^{S_d-1} \frac{\rho^{n_1}}{n_1!} + \sum_{n_1=S_d}^{S_c} \frac{\lambda^{S_d} \lambda^{n_1-S_d}}{n_1! \mu^{n_1}} \\ & + \sum_{\substack{n_2=1 \\ n_1=S_c}}^{M_o-1} \frac{\lambda^{S_d} \lambda^{S_c-S_d} \lambda_{hd}^{n_2}}{S_c! \mu^{S_c} \prod_{n=1}^{n_2} (S_c \mu + n \mu_t)} \\ & + \sum_{\substack{n_1=S_c+1 \\ M_h-1}}^{S-1} \sum_{\substack{n_2=1 \\ M_o-1}}^{M_o-1} \frac{\lambda^{S_d} \lambda^{S_c-S_d} \lambda_{hv}^{n_1-S_c} \lambda_{hd}^{n_2}}{n_1! \mu^{n_1} \{ \prod_{n=1}^{n_2} n \mu_t \}} \\ & + \sum_{n_1=S}^S \sum_{n_2=1}^S \frac{\lambda^{S_d} \lambda^{S_c-S_d} \lambda_{hv}^{n_1-S_c} \lambda_{hd}^{n_2}}{S! \mu^S \{ \prod_{x=1}^{n_1-S} (S\mu + (x)(\mu_c + \mu_d)) \} \{ \prod_{n=1}^{n_2} n \mu_t \}} \\ & + \sum_{\substack{n_1=S_c+1 \\ n_2=M_o}}^S \frac{\lambda^{S_d} \lambda^{S_c-S_d} \lambda_{hv}^{n_1-S_c} \lambda_{hd}^{M_o}}{n_1! \mu^{n_1} \prod_{n=1}^{M_o} n \mu_t} \\ & + \sum_{\substack{n_1=S+1 \\ n_2=M_o}}^{M_h-1} \frac{\lambda^{S_d} \lambda^{S_c-S_d} \lambda_{hv}^{n_1-S_c} \lambda_{hd}^{M_o}}{S! \mu^S \{ \prod_{x=1}^{n_1-S} (S\mu + (x)(\mu_c + \mu_d)) \} \prod_{n=1}^{M_o} n \mu_t} \\ & + \sum_{\substack{n_1=S_c+1 \\ n_2=0 \\ M_h-1}}^S \frac{\lambda^{S_d} \lambda^{S_c-S_d} \lambda_{hv}^{n_1-S_c}}{n_1! \mu^{n_1}} \\ & + \sum_{\substack{n_1=S+1 \\ n_2=0}}^{M_h-1} \frac{\lambda^{S_d} \lambda^{S_c-S_d} \lambda_{hv}^{n_1-S_c}}{S! \mu^S \{ \prod_{x=1}^{n_1-S} (S\mu + (x)(\mu_c + \mu_d)) \}} \\ & + \frac{\lambda^{S_d} \lambda^{S_c-S_d} \lambda_{hv}^{M_h-S_c} \lambda_{hd}^{M_o}}{S! \mu^S \{ \prod_{x=1}^{M_h-S} (S\mu + (x)(\mu_c + \mu_d)) \} \prod_{n=1}^{M_o} n \mu_t}]^{-1} = p(0,0) \end{aligned}$$

In the absence of handoff calls, the above solution reduces to the one of the classical M/M/C/K queue.

4. PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Total number of calls in system, $L = \sum_{n_1=1}^{S_c-1} n_1 * p(n_1, 0) + \sum_{n_1=S_c}^{M_h} n_1 * \sum_{n_2=1}^{M_o} n_2 * p(n_1, n_2)$

Total number of handoff data calls in Queue, $L_o = \sum_{n_1=S_c}^{M_h} \sum_{n_2=1}^{M_o} n_2 * p(n_1, n_2)$

Total number of handoff voice calls in Queue, $L_h = \sum_{n_1=S+1}^{M_h} (n_1 - S) * \sum_{n_2=1}^{M_o} p(n_1, n_2)$

Blocking probability of handoff voice calls, $B_o = \sum_{n_1=S_c}^{M_h} p(n_1, M_o)$

Blocking probability of handoff voice calls, $B_h = \sum_{n_2=1}^{M_o} p(M_h, n_2)$

Blocking probability of originating voice and data calls
 $= B_{ovd} = \{ \sum_{n_1=S_d}^{S_c-1} n_1 * p(n_1, 0) + \sum_{n_1=S_c}^{M_h} n_1 * \sum_{n_2=1}^{M_o} n_2 * p(n_1, n_2) \}$

Actual Arrival rate $= (\lambda_{ov} + \lambda_{od})(1 - B_{ovd}) + \lambda_{hv} * (1 - B_h) + \lambda_{hd} * (1 - B_o)$

Mean waiting time, $W = \text{Total number of customers} / \text{Actual arrival rate}$

$$= \frac{\sum_{n_1=1}^{S_c-1} n_1 * p(n_1, 0) + \sum_{n_1=S_c}^{M_h} n_1 * \sum_{n_2=1}^{M_o} n_2 * p(n_1, n_2)}{(\lambda_{ov} + \lambda_{od})(1 - B_{ovd}) + \lambda_{hv} * (1 - B_h) + \lambda_{hd} * (1 - B_o)}$$

Mean waiting time of handoff data call in queue,

$$= \frac{\sum_{n_1=S_c}^{M_h} \sum_{n_2=1}^{M_o} n_2 * p(n_1, n_2)}{\lambda_{hd} * (1 - B_o)}$$

Mean waiting time of handoff voice calls in queue

$$= \frac{\{ \sum_{n_1=S+1}^{M_h} ((n_1 - S) \sum_{n_2=1}^{M_o} p(n_1, n_2)) \}}{\lambda_{hv} * (1 - B_h)}$$

These formulae are generalizations to those reported in [3].

5. Numerical Results

In this section some typical numerical experiments are carried out. These experiments illustrate the credibility of solution presented and also assess the impact of different traffic patterns on QoS. Numerical results are generated by using the input data assumed of Table II using Matlab 7.0.0.19920 (R14).

Table II

λ_{ov}	λ_{hd}	λ_{hv}	λ	μ	S	S_d	S_c	μ_t	μ_d + μ_c	Q_o	Q_h
10	10	10	30	10	10	3	3	2	2	7	7
11	11	11	33	10	10	3	3	2	2	7	7
12	12	12	36	10	10	3	3	2	2	7	7
13	13	13	39	10	10	3	3	2	2	7	7
14	14	14	42	10	10	3	3	2	2	7	7
15	15	15	45	10	10	3	3	2	2	7	7

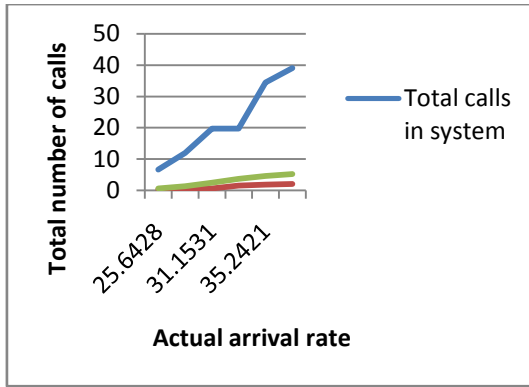


Fig. 4. Mean number of call s vs actual arrival rate

As shown in Fig. 4, the total number of calls increases with increasing mean arrival rate.

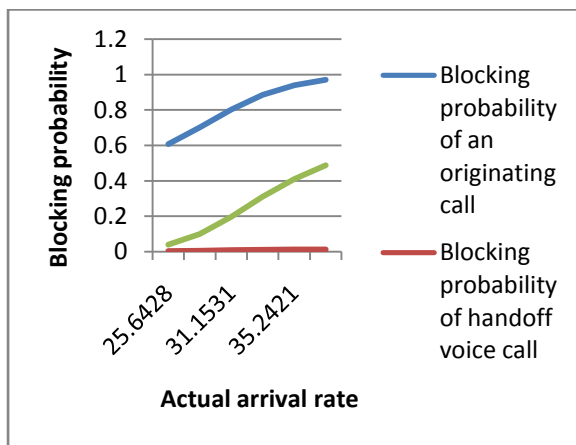


Fig.5. Blocking Probability vs actual arrival rate

As it can be seen in Fig. 5, the blocking probability of calls increases as the arrival rate increases. The blocking probability of originating voice and data calls is higher, as the number of channels to process these calls is smaller compared to the available channels for handoff voice and data calls.

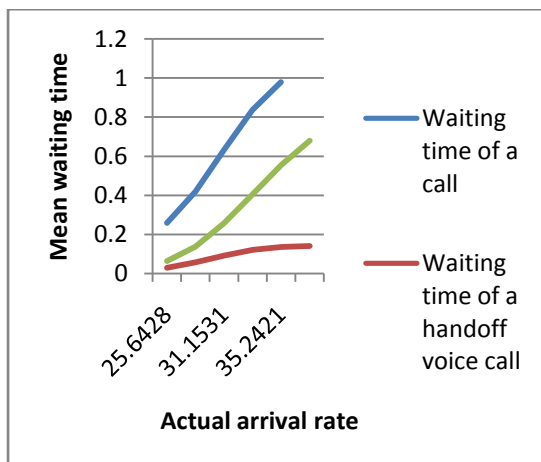


Fig. 6. Mean waiting time vs actual arrival rate

Mean waiting time of a call increases with increase in arrival rate, as shown in fig 6. Originating voice and data calls are blocked when all shared channels are busy

processing calls therefore such calls are not allowed to wait. These blocked calls are lost and never return to system.

6. CONCLUSIONS

A performance evaluation study is undertaken focusing on a non-preemptive cellular scheme, where originating and handoff voice and data calls are prioritized by assigning finite capacity queues with dedicated channels, as appropriate. An exact closed form steady state probability distribution and associated performance measures are derived for a suitable queueing model and typical numerical experiments are carried out to evaluate the impact of different traffic patterns on QoS.

7. FUTURE WORK

The proposed analytical solution provides a simple and cost-effective analytic building block for the performance evaluation and prediction of heterogeneous networks with multiple types of traffic flows.

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