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Abstract

Smart Traffic is a traffic control software application designed by Sweco. It uses microsimulation model SUMO and data from various sources, among which detector loop data and floating car data, to simulate the actual and forecasted traffic image at an intersection. Based on the forecasted image it calculates the delay and number of stops per vehicle to determine the most efficient duration of green times. The two main challenges of the current implementation of $\mathit{Smart\ Traffic}$ are its use of micro microsimulation model SUMO, which is too computationally expensive to predict traffic at large intersections over a longer period of time, and the lack or inconsistency of data. In the first part of this thesis we replaced the SUMO model used in the forecasting module of Smart Traffic by a discrete event model, which models traffic at a signalised intersection as a series of discrete events. We show that this discrete event model is able to accurately predict the delay of the vehicles and is more scalable and faster than the current SUMO model. In the second part of the thesis we study the inconsistency of the data by modelling traffic at a signalised intersection as a polling model with switching customers. In the polling model customers may leave a queue to join another queue, which mimics the situation in *Smart Traffic*, where vehicle may switch signal groups due to updated data. We describe the polling model and analyse its stability condition and joint queue length distributions. From an example of the polling model with switching customers we conclude that the lack or inconsistency of data may lead to Smart Traffic scheduling non-optimal green times.

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1 Introduction

This thesis was conducted at the Mobility Solutions division at Sweco Nederland. Sweco, originally Swedish Consultants, is the largest engineering and consultancy in Europe with over 17.000 employees in 13 countries [1]. In 2015 the Dutch company Grontmij was acquired by Sweco and renamed Sweco Nederland [2]. Sweco advises in efficient infrastructure, environmental technology and sustainable buildings. Sweco designs and develops cities and societies of the future.

One of the challenges for cities of the future is the ever increasing amount of road traffic, which leads to traffic congestion. Traffic congestion is not only time consuming, but also leads to unsafe and unclear traffic situations. Futhermore, it increases air pollutant emissions due to an excess of idling vehicles [3]. The development of intelligently controlled traffic lights is thus essential to keep cities habitable by reducing traffic congestion [4].

The Mobility Solutions department, part of the Transport and Mobility division of Sweco, focuses on the development of smart solutions for mobility. One of the products in development at the department is Smart Traffic. Smart Traffic is a software application intelligently controlling traffic lights, which makes use of a predictive real-time traffic model. The model combines information from multiple data sources, ranging from detection loop data to floating car data broadcasted by connected vehicles. Smart Traffic optimises traffic flow by predicting the individual waiting time of vehicles. Based on this information the traffic light controller has complete freedom to determine the most efficient and fair duration of red en green times. Smart Traffic currently operates only on isolated junctions, however the objective is to extend the use of Smart Traffic to a network of junctions. A detailed explanation of Smart Traffic is given in Section 2.1.4. Smart Traffic has already proven its success in the city of Helmond, where its implementation reduced CO₂ emission by 20% and vehicle waiting times by 22% [5].

The current implementation of *Smart Traffic* gives rise to two main challenges. The first is the use of microsimulation model SUMO (Simulation of Urban MObility). *Smart Traffic* makes use of SUMO to monitor and predict the traffic image. The traffic image details the overall traffic situation and position of the vehicles. SUMO predicts the new position of vehicles for each time step, making use of detailed information such as vehicle-to-vehicle effects. Though this level of detailing makes the model rather accurate it is not suitable for the objective of Sweco: to predict traffic over a longer period of time for a network of junctions, as the detailing makes the model too computationally expensive. Thus the next step in improving *Smart Traffic* is replacing the current microsimulation model by a discrete event model, which is more scalable and less complex.

Unlike microsimulation models, discrete event models do not update the entire system every time step. Discrete event models model the system as a sequence of discrete events. Every event has a predicted time at which it occurs. The event most recent in time is executed and the relevant entities are updated. The simulation then jumps to the next event. Between events it is assumed that the system does not change or changes according to some deterministic pattern. A more detailed explanation on discrete event models is given in Section 2.2. In a previous internship at Sweco a basic discrete event model was created to

replace SUMO in the *Smart Traffic* application of Sweco. In the first part of the thesis we improve upon that model.

The second challenge is the lack or inconsistency of information. The main data sources used by *Smart Traffic*, floating car data and detection loop data, are often incomplete. That is, not all vehicles broadcast floating car data and not all roads contain detection loops. Furthermore, the received data may not be accurate. Detection loops may be broken or overly sensitive and indicate the presence of a vehicle when there are none. Or a vehicle may be expected at a certain place due to the floating car data, which may be contradicted by the detection loop data which indicates that no vehicles are present. To overcome this *Smart Traffic* makes use of a match sensor which attempts to match the real-life vehicle with the simulated vehicle. When the match sensor receives conflicting or updated information simulated vehicles may be added, removed or switch position. In the second part of the thesis we focus on the effect of simulated vehicles switching position, due to a correction made by the match sensor, by modelling traffic at a signalised intersection as a polling model with switching customers.

The structure of the thesis is as follows. In Section 2 we review the literature on current traffic light control methods and explain Smart Traffic in more detail. We also describe discrete event models in general and compare this type of model to the microsimulation model SUMO. In Section 3 we implement a discrete event model to predict traffic at an intersection. We give the main assumptions and a detailed model description. We also describe the main model parameters and how they may be determined. The results of the discrete event model are given in Section 4, where we compare the delay calculated by our discrete event model with the delay given by microsimulation model Vissim, which will function as a simulated version of reality. We then focus on the polling model. In Section 5 we first review the current literature on polling models and then model a signalised intersection as a polling model with switching customers. For this model we determine its stability condition and joint queue length distributions. In Section 6 we discuss the results of the polling model with switching customers by considering two examples. In the final section of this thesis we give the conclusion and discuss the results.

2 Literature review

In this section we give an overview of the current methods used in traffic light control and explain Smart Traffic in more detail. We also explain how a discrete event model works and the main differences between microsimulation models and discrete event models.

2.1 Traffic signal control

Traffic signal control aims to enable the safe and efficient movement of vehicles at an intersection. The efficiency of an intersection may be measured in the total vehicle delay, the number of vehicles in the queue, the number of stops per vehicle or the throughput of the intersection. Before we describe the most common strategies for traffic light control, we first introduce some basic notions and terminology.

A group of traffic lights which give the same signal (e.g. green) simultaneously is called a *signal group*. A possible configuration of (non-conflicting) signal groups is called a *stage*. A series of repeating stages is called a *cycle*. The duration of one full cycle is called the *cycle time*. Between two consecutive stages a brief period in which all traffic signals are red is necessary to ensure safe crossings. The time in which all traffic signals are either red or amber is called the *intergreen time*. An example of a cycle, signal groups and stages can be seen in Figure 1.

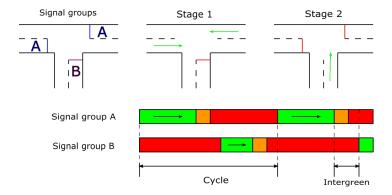


Figure 1: Example of a cycle, signal groups and stages.

The traffic light control methods can be separated into two categories: isolated traffic signal control, which concerns the optimisation of a single junction, and coordinated traffic signal control, which concerns the optimisation of a network of junctions [6].

Papageorigiou et al. [7] describe the following four possibilities for influencing traffic conditions at isolated and coordinated intersections through traffic light control

• Stage specification: An intersection generally has a larger number of possible stages. The choice of how many, which and in what order stages are in a cycle may greatly influence the performance of the intersection.

- Split: The relative duration of the green time of a stage as a fraction of the cycle time is called the split. Certain directions or signal groups may see a larger number of vehicles than others. It may thus be more efficient, in terms of e.g. total vehicle delay, to grant a certain stage a longer green time duration than other stages.
- Cycle time: A longer cycle time reduces the fraction of intergreen time and thus increases the capacity of the junction. However, longer cycle time may also lead to longer waiting times as the stages switch after a longer period of time.
- Offset: In a network of junctions, green times of successive junctions may coordinated and optimised to allow for a "green wave". The offset is defined as the time relationship between two successive junctions in seconds or in percentage of the cycle length. Offset optimisation only concerns coordinated intersections.

In the following subsections we will describe three methods to control traffic lights: fixed time signal control, vehicle actuated control and self-optimised real-time control. In Subsection 2.1.4 we describe *Smart Traffic* in detail.

2.1.1 Fixed cycle control

In fixed cycle control, the green times and cycle times are fixed. The signal timing plan, which indicates the starting time of signals for every signal group, is predetermined offline and does not adapt to the current traffic situation. Multiple time plans may be developed to account for varying circumstances, e.g. the time plan at night may be different from the time plan at rush hour.

To calculate the delay in a fixed cycle various methods were developed. Clayton considered a model where arrivals and departures happen at strictly regular intervals [8]. Webster obtained a formula for calculating the overall delay by considering Poisson arrivals [8].

An often used and well known software tool aiding the optimisation of fixed cycle time plans is TRANSYT (Traffic network study tool) [9]. TRANSYT consists of a macroscopic traffic model and a signal optimiser. Using manually entered traffic flows and a platoon dispersion model TRANSYT calculates the Perfomance Index, an economic cost based on the total delay and number of stops. TRANSYT then optimises by running the traffic model multiple times for adjusted time plans and adopts the time plan which reduces the Perfomance Index the most [7]. TRANSYT may be used for a network of junctions, where it is able to create green waves [9].

As fixed cycle control does not adapt to the current traffic situation, it does not lead to the optimal time plan. Particularly in light unpredictable traffic, fixed cycle control performs much worse than other traffic control methods. Furthermore, the fixed signal time plans need to be regularly updated, as studies have shown that fixed time plans degrade over time as traffic demands change [10].

2.1.2 Vehicle actuated control

Vehicle actuated control makes use of detection loops. Detection loops are induction loops embedded in the road. Short detection loops are usually present

at a few meters and a few hundred meters from the stop line. These loops register the presence of vehicles and are able to count the number of vehicles which pass by. Between two short loops a long loop may be present which is only able to detect the presence of traffic.

Vehicle actuated control works by extending the amount of green time for a given stage based on the detection of vehicles. Every stage has a minimal green time and maximum green assigned to it. The traffic signal controller will remain in the current stage for at least the minimal green time. When a vehicle is detected during the minimal green time an extension interval is created. As long as the time between two arriving vehicles is shorter than this extension interval the traffic controller will remain in the current stage, until the maximum green time is reached [6].

Basic vehicle actuated control does not take traffic in front of the red light into consideration. Thus vehicle actuated control does not lead to the optimal time plan.

2.1.3 Self-optimised real-time control

More advanced methods were developed which use real-time input from detectors and do take all signal groups into consideration. We name the following

- MOVA (microprocessor optimised vehicle actuation) is developed by the British Transport Research Laboratory (TRL) for isolated intersections. MOVA uses Miller's algorithm, which decides to extend green times by weighing the gain to (extra) vehicles passing the junction with the loss to other vehicles waiting in the queue. MOVA uses a microscopic traffic model to predict the position of each vehicle and calculates the total delay every half-second [6].
- SCOOT (Split Cycle Offset Optimisation Technique) is often considered the on-line version of TRANSYT. Similar to TRANSYT, SCOOT uses a dispersion model to estimate the arrival patterns. It optimises the split, cycle and offset times, each with independent optimisation procedures. Every procedure only considers a small change in signal settings to estimate the delay and number of stops [11].
- SCATS (Sydney Coordinated Adaptive Traffic) was developed in Australia. It does not optimise the traffic signal real-time, but uses historic data and detector information from the previous cycle to determine the optimal cycle. Since it does not use data real-time, SCATS does not have a traffic model to estimate the number of vehicles based on data from upstream detectors, but estimates the number of vehicles directly from information from stop line detectors. Similar to SCOOT, SCATS optimises the split, cycle and offset times in independent procedures [11].
- UTOPIA (Urban Traffic Optimisation by Integrated Automation) has a hierarchical structure of three levels, the local level, the area level and the town supervisor level. The local level uses detectors at the start of each link and a microscopic model to estimate the state of the junction and the delays. The area level estimates the state of the entire network using a less detailed traffic model and validates the local level results using a

historic traffic database [11]. The town supervisor level uses a macroscopic model and integrates UTOPIA with data from SPOT (System for Priority and Optimisation of Traffic). UTOPIA was specifically designed to give priority to public transport which SPOT provides [9].

2.1.4 Smart Traffic

Smart Traffic is the software package created by Sweco to intelligently control traffic lights at an intersection. As the more advanced methods discussed previously, Smart Traffic makes use of real-time information from detection loops. In addition to this Smart Traffic combines and makes use of several other data sources of which floating car data (FCD) is the main data source. FCD is broadcasted by individual vehicles and contains information on the position and speed of the vehicle [12]. This real-time data, from detection loops and FCD, is used to capture the current traffic image. Based on this image and the stage Smart Traffic predicts the future positions of vehicles using microsimulation model SUMO and calculates the delay and number of stops per vehicle.

Due to the large number of stages at a given junction and the time-consuming computational complexity of SUMO, *Smart Traffic* currently simulates only four stages, where every signal group gives a green signal in exactly one stage and red in all others. We will refer to these simulated stages as schedules. The schedules contain information on which traffic lights are scheduled to turn green at which specific times.

We will now describe the way Smart Traffic operates. Smart Traffic consists of four modules: Monitoring, Forecasting, Control and Communications. The Control module is the main loop which communicates with all other modules. The loop starts with Control asking a snapshot from the Monitoring module. Monitoring is responsible for capturing the current traffic image. It does this based on historic and actual data, such as FCD and data from detection loops. The snapshot created by Monitoring is then sent to Forecasting together with a schedule. Forecasting predicts the position of the vehicles under the conditions of the schedule and calculates the delay and number of stops for each vehicle. These results get sent back to Control. Control sends the snapshot created by Monitoring and a schedule to Forecasting four times each with a different schedule. Finally, based on the results of the four simulations, Control calculates the delay and number of stops for all stages and optimises over these results. The optimal stage is then sent to Communications which is responsible for controlling the actual traffic lights.

Both the *Monitoring* module and *Forecasting* module make use of microsimulation model SUMO.

2.2 Discrete Event Simulation

Currently, Smart Traffic uses the microsimulation model SUMO to predict the delay of vehicle at an intersection. Due the detailing in the microsimulation model of SUMO, the model is not suitable for the objective of Sweco, which is to control a network of junctions and predict traffic over a longer period of time. In this thesis we consider a discrete event simulation as a replacement for SUMO. We describe how a general discrete event simulation (DES) works and the main differences between microsimulation models and discrete event models.

A discrete event simulation models the system as a sequence of discrete events in time. Every event has a specific (predicted) time at which it takes place and a type. The type of event determines the changes the system undergoes. Additionally, the event may contain information on the specific entities involved, for instance if the event only concerns a single customer, this customer may be added to the event.

All predicted events are placed in chronologically ordered list called the Future Event Set (FES). During each step of the simulation the first event, i.e. the event most recent in time, is removed from the FES. The time of the simulation is updated to the time of this event and the event is executed. Based on the type of event the state of the system changes for the relevant entities involved. During the event, other events may be scheduled. These new events will also be placed in the FES. After executing the event, the simulation will jump to the next event. This is again the event most recent in time. The simulation continues until a certain preset time horizon is reached.

One of the main differences between DES and SUMO is the time advancement method. SUMO uses synchronous time advancement. This means that the system gets updated at regular time points. Events which take place between these two time points will be executed at either of the two time points. SUMO updates the entire system every second. This is computationally expensive, since for every second the entire state of the system has to be calculated. DES, on the other hand, uses asynchronous time advancement. Rather than updating the entire system at regular time points, parts of the system get updated at a time point at which an event takes place. This is an efficient way of modelling discrete event systems, as we only need to calculate the state of the system, when a significant chance takes place.

Another difference between DES and SUMO is that in DES we only take into consideration the relevant properties. The extensive detailing used by SUMO and other microsimulation models, e.g. the vehicle to vehicle interactions, are often unnecessary. For instance, if we wish to determine the length of a queue, in terms of the number of vehicles, we do not need to know how far the vehicles are from the queue, but only when and if they are in the queue. By simulating two events for each vehicle, one indicating an arrival in the queue and one indicating a departure from the queue, we are thus able to obtain all information needed, without simulating the trajectory of each vehicle second by second. This makes the simulation much less computationally expensive.

A more detailed description on DES can be found in *Introduction to Discrete Event Systems* by Cassandras and Lafortune [13]. Discrete event simulations are used for a wide variety of applications, from health care services to manufacturing [14][15]. In this thesis we will consider the arrival and departure of vehicles at a signalised intersection as a discrete event system.

3 Implementation discrete event simulation

In this section we implement a discrete event simulation as a replacement of the *Forecasting* module of *Smart Traffic*. The *Forecasting* module predicts the delay and number of stops per vehicle based on a snapshot created by the *Monitoring* module and the schedule created by *Control*. Both the *Monitoring* module and the *Forecasting* module make use of SUMO. We do not consider the *Monitoring* module, as it runs in real-time and thus is less suitable to be replaced by a discrete event model.

To validate the model we require access to real-life data to compare the calculated delay and number of stops to the actual delay and number of stops. As we do not have access to this data we will make use of Vissim. PTV Vissim, is a microsimulation traffic flow model designed by PTV Planung Transport Verkehr AG. Similarly to SUMO, Vissim models each entity individually and simulates complex vehicle-to-vehicle interactions [16]. We will validate and calibrate our discrete event model using Vissim, which will function as a simulated version of reality. The decision to use Vissim for this propose was based on its realism and ease of use. Furthermore, Sweco currently already makes use of Vissim to calibrate their SUMO model.

3.1 Assumptions

Before we describe the model we first give the main model assumptions:

- Vehicles are either passenger cars or heavy goods vehicles (HGV). We do not consider busses, trams, cyclists or pedestrians.
- All road users obey traffic rules, e.g. road users will not run a red light.
- All signal groups are non-conflicting. In real-life conflicting signal groups may be given green simultaneously, e.g. vehicles turning right may be given green at the same time as cyclists going straight ahead. The vehicles must then yield to the cyclists. We assume that no such situation occurs in our model and that the departure of a vehicle is not hindered by the presence of vehicles at another signal group.
- Road users may only be assigned to a single signal group and may not change between signal groups.
- No additional road users enter the system during simulation. We only consider the delay and number of stops of vehicles present in the snapshot created by *Monitoring*.
- All input information is correct. We assume all information received by Forecasting from Control is correct.

In the subsequent we use the terms vehicle and road user interchangeably.

3.2 Model description

We model a single signalised intersection as a discrete event system. For a detailed explanation of a discrete event simulation we refer back to Section 2.2. A discrete event system is completely determined by its events. We define the following type of events:

- arrival_at_queue: This event signals an arrival of a vehicle at the queue or the stop line.
- departure_from_queue: This event signals that a vehicle wishes to depart from the queue. If the traffic light is green or amber, the vehicle succeeds and departs the queue. If the traffic light is red, then the vehicle remains in the queue.
- trafficlight_to_red: This event changes the traffic light colour to red.
- trafficlight_to_amber: This event changes the traffic light colour to amber.
- trafficlight_to_green: This event changes the traffic light colour to green.
- register_results: This event calculates the delay and number of stops per road user and writes these results into an output file.

Every event in the simulation has a predicted time at which it takes place, a type and a signal group. The *arrival_at_queue* and *departure_from_queue* events also have a road user associated with the event. Additionally, for our simulation we require a *stop_simulation* event, which prevents the simulation from continuing beyond the desired time horizon and prevents the program from ending due to an empty FES.

The SUMO model currently used by Sweco outputs the the delay and the number of stop per vehicle for all signal groups at timestamps t = 0, ..., 25. As Sweco wishes to keep the *Control* module the exact same, the output produced by our model has to be similar to the output of the SUMO model. Thus the register_result events are executed at the start time of the simulation plus t, with $t \in \{0, ..., 25\}$.

The simulation starts by initialising the signal groups, the maximum simulation time and the FES. The model receives input from *Control* consisting of the snapshot created by *Monitoring* and the schedule. Based on this input all road users will be imported into the model and all traffic light events will be added to the FES. Additionally, for every road user in the snapshot, we either schedule an *arrival_at_queue* event for the road user or we place the road user in the queue. If the traffic light is green and there is a queue we also schedule a *departure_from_queue* event for the first road user in the queue.

After initialisation the main simulation loop starts. During the simulation loop the first event in time will be removed from the FES. The simulation time will be updated to the time of this event and all relevant entities will be updated according to the type of event. Depending on the type of event new events may be scheduled and added to the FES. After executing the event the simulation jumps in time to the next event until the simulation time has reached the maximum simulation time.

In the following subsections we describe the initialisation and main simulation loop of the model in more detail. In Subsection 3.3 we introduce and determine the following four model parameters: service time, the number in line, the speed boundaries and gap.

3.2.1 Initialisation

The simulation starts with the initialisation. First the maximum time of the simulation is initialised and the structure of the junction is read from a file. The

file has for every arrival place the signal groups available from this arrival place. Each signal group in the file has an identity number, a length, a maximum speed limit and a number of lanes. The number of lanes determines the number of queues at a signal group. If a signal group has multiple lanes we "split" the signal group into multiple signal subgroups. Each of these subgroups will be a considered as separate signal group within the program for ease of computation. All signal subgroups have a single queue and the identity number of the "original" signal group.

Then a new future event set is created, the road users are imported and the traffic light events are initialised. The *Forecasting* module takes the snapshot from *Monitoring* as input. This snapshot file consists of a list of road users, with the following attributes:

- An identity number
- The time at which the road user arrives in the system. This time may be detected by a detection loop.
- The length of the road user's vehicle.
- The type of road user or vehicle, e.g. passenger car.
- The arrival place. This may be a detection loop id or a lane id.
- The position of the road user in meters from the stop line.
- An array of cumulative probabilities. This array is used to determine to which signal group the road user gets assigned. The length of the array is the amount of signal groups available to this road user.
- The current speed of the vehicle.
- The desired speed of the road user. The desired speed is an attribute in Vissim and is required to make an accurate comparison between the Vissim delay and the delay calculated by our discrete event model.
- A number denoting the position of the vehicle in the queue, i.e. what number in line the vehicle is.

For every road user in the file we determine the signal group to which it belongs. To do so we use the known arrival place of the road user and the array of cumulative probabilities. There are a number of signal groups available to the road user from its arrival place. The array of cumulative probabilities determines how likely it is a road user gets assigned to a certain available signal group. Assigning a road user to a signal group is done by drawing a random number between 0 and 1 and comparing this to the array of probabilities. If the signal group has multiple lanes we assign the road user to the signal subgroup with the least amount of vehicles.

After assigning the road user to a signal (sub)group we check if the signal group has a queue. We assume the signal group has a queue if at least one of the road users assigned to the signal group has a speed less than 10 km/h.

We will briefly explain this assumption. In the simulation we make use of two speed boundaries. A road user approaching the back of the queue will be considered in the queue if they are travelling at a speed of less than 5 km/h and a road user at the front of the queue will be considered leaving the queue if they are travelling at a speed of more than 10 km/h. For an explanation on the values of these speed boundaries we refer to Section 3.3. We will assume

that the first road user travelling at a speed less than 10 km/h is in the process of leaving the queue. It is possible that this road user is not in the process of leaving the queue, but rather decelerating to become the first road user in the queue. However, putting this road user in the queue early will influence the simulation less than falsely assuming a road user is not in the process of leaving the queue.

For every signal group sq we thus have one of the two following cases:

• The signal (sub)group has a queue. The first road user assigned to the signal (sub)group, ru, gets added to the queue at signal (sub)group sg and a stop is added to the number of stops of road user ru. The position of the front of the queue is updated to the position of ru and the position of the back of the queue is updated to the position of ru plus the length of ru. We also check if ru is the first road user travelling at a speed less than 10 km/h. If the signal group is green then a departure_from_queue event is scheduled at the current simulation time t for road user ru.

For all other road users assigned to sg we check if they are in the queue. The queue is defined by the speed boundaries (as explained in Section 3.3). The first vehicle travelling at a speed less than 10 km/h, if this is not ru, will be added to the queue. All vehicles ahead of this vehicle will also be added to the queue, as these road users were in the queue prior to the snapshot. All vehicles behind the first vehicle travelling at a speed less than 10 km/h will be added to the queue if they are travelling at a speed of less than 5 km/h. Every time a road user is added to the queue we update the position of the back of the queue by adding the length of the vehicle of the road user and the variable gap. Similarly, if during simulation a road user is removed from the queue we update the position of the front of the queue by adding the length of the vehicle of the road user and the variable gap. The first road user in the signal group, ru, will determine the number in line for all following road users. For all road users in the queue, we update the number in line to correspond with the number in line of ru, i.e. if the road user is one place behind the ru the number is line of this road user is the number in line of ru plus one. We also add a stop to the number of stops for all road users in the queue.

For all road users not in the queue we schedule an <code>arrival_at_queue</code> event. The time of the arrival is calculated as the distance which has to be travelled by the road user divided by the maximum speed. The distance which has to be travelled by the road user is the position of the vehicle minus the length of all vehicles ahead and gaps between the vehicles ahead.

• The signal (sub)group does not have a queue. If sg does not have a queue we schedule arrival_at_queue events for all road users assigned to sg. The time of the arrival is calculated as the distance which has to be travelled by the road user divided by the maximum speed. The distance which has to be travelled by the road user is the position of the vehicle minus the length of all vehicles ahead and gaps between the vehicles ahead.

After importing the road users, we initialise the module. For all signal (sub)groups the traffic light is set to the initial colour, i.e. the colour at the start time of the simulation, and all traffic light events are scheduled.

After scheduling the $register_results$ events and $stop_simulation$ event the main simulation loop of the program is started.

3.2.2 Main simulation

In this subsection we describe the main simulation loop. The simulation loop starts by removing the first event in time, e, from the FES. The (current) time of the simulation, t, is updated to the time of event e. The type of event e determines which of the following will take place

• $arrival_at_queue$: The road user, ru, arrives at the queue at signal (sub)group sq.

If there are no vehicles in the queue at sg and the traffic light is green or amber, the road user can directly drive through. The road user, ru, will leave the system, i.e. pass the stopline, and its departure time, t, is registered.

If the traffic light is red and there are no vehicles in the queue, arriving road user ru is the first vehicle in the queue. Thus we update the position in meters from the stop line of ru to zero and the position in number of vehicles in line of ru to one. Road user ru gets added to the queue at signal (sub)group sg and a stop is added to the number of stops of road user ru.

If there is a queue, the road user gets placed in the queue behind the last vehicle, thus we do the following:

- Update the position of road user ru in meters to the position of the back of the queue plus the variable gap, which denotes the distance in meter between two road users waiting in the queue.
- Get the road user, $last_ru$, which is last in the queue at signal (sub)group sg.
- Update the number in line of road user ru to the number in line of road user $last_ru$ plus one.
- Add the road user ru to the queue.
- Add a stop to the number of stops of road user ru.
- $departure_from_queue$: Road user ru attempts to leave the queue at signal (sub)group sq.

If the traffic light is green or amber, then the road user succeeds and passes the stop line. The road user is removed from the queue, leaves the system and their departure time, t, is registered. Then we check if there are still other road users waiting in the queue. If this is the case we get the first road user in the queue, $next_ru$, and schedule a $departure_from_queue$ event for road user $next_ru$. This event will take place at time t plus the service time of road user $next_ru$. The service times are determined in Section 3.3. Else, if the queue is empty, we reset the position of the back and front of the queue in meters from the stop line to zero.

If the traffic light is red, then road user ru may not leave the system, as the traffic light will have turned red before all road users in the queue

could leave the system. We initialise the variable position to zero and do the following for i from 1 to the number of road users in the queue at sg:

- Get i'th road user in the queue: ru.
- Update the position of road user ru in meters to the variable position.
- Update the position of road user ru in number of vehicles in line to i plus one.
- Add a stop to the number of stops of road user ru.
- Update the variable position by adding the length of (the vehicle of) road user ru plus the variable gap to it.
- trafficlight_to_red: Change the traffic light at signal (sub)group sg to red. Reset the position of the front and back of the queue to, respectively, zero and the length of the queue (in meters). The length of the queue is defined as the length of all vehicles in the queue plus the distance between these vehicles.
- trafficlight_to_amber: Change the traffic light at signal (sub)group sg to amber.
- trafficlight_to_green: Change the traffic light at signal (sub)group sg to green. If there are road users waiting in the queue in front of the traffic light, then we get the first road user in the queue, next_ru, and schedule a departure_from_queue event for road user next_ru. This event will take place at time t plus the service time of road user next_ru.
- register_results: For every road user we calculate its delay. The delay and the number of stops of the road user is then written into an output file. For a detailed explanation on how this delay is calculated we refer to Section 3.2.3.

After executing event e the next event is removed from the FES and executed. The simulation ends when the simulation time exceeds the maximum simulation time. The structure of the simulation loop can be seen in Algorithm 1.

The output of the simulation is a file containing the delay and number of stops of every vehicle sorted by time stamp (of the *register_result* event) and signal group.

3.2.3 Calculating delay

During the register_results event the delay per road user is calculated and written into an output file together with the number of stops per road user. In this section we explain how this delay is calculated.

We define the delay as the difference between the total time the road user has spent in the system minus the minimum time the road user is required to spend in the system in the most optimal situation. The most optimal situation denotes a situation in which there are no other vehicles present, the road user moves at maximum speed and the traffic light is green. The total time the road user has spent in the system is referred to as the sojourn time. We refer to the minimum time the road user is required to spend in the system in the most optimal situation as the minimum travel time. Thus the delay is defined as the

Algorithm 1 Main simulation

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Create new FES
Initialize traffic light colours and add traffic light events to FES
Import all road users
Initialise time t
Schedule register_results events
Schedule stop\_simulation event (at maxTime)
while t < maxTime do
   Get the next event e from FES
   Update the time t
   if type of e = arrival\_at\_queue then
      Get signal group sq of event e
      Get road user ru of event e
      if the traffic light is green or amber and the queue is empty at sq then
          Register departure time t of road user ru
       else if the traffic light is red and the queue is empty at sq then
          Update position of road user ru to 0
          Update the number in line of ru to 1
          Add road user ru to queue at sg
          Add a stop to road user ru
      else
          Update the position of road user ru (to position of the
              back of the queue plus the variable gap)
          Get last road user in the queue last\_ru
          Update number in line of ru to number in line of last\_ru +1
          Add road user ru to the queue
          Add a stop to road user ru
      end if
   end if
   if type of e = departure\_from\_queue then
      Get signal group sg of event e
      if the traffic light is green or amber at sg then
          Get road user ru of event e
          Remove road user ru from the queue at sg
          Register departure time t of road user ru
          if there are still road users in the queue at sg then
             Get next road user in the queue next_ru
             Schedule departure\_from\_queue for next\_ru at t + service time
                   of next\_ru
             Reset position of the front and the back of the queue to 0
          end if
       else
          for all road users in the queue at sg do
             Update position and number in line
             Add extra stop
          end for
      end if
   end if
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if type of e = trafficlight\_to\_red then
       Get signal group sg of event e
       Change traffic light to red for signal group sg
       Reset the position of the front of the queue to 0 and the position
            of the back of the queue to the current length of the queue (in
            meters)
   end if
   if type of e = traffic light\_to\_amber then
       Get signal group sg of event e
       Change traffic light to amber for signal group sg
   end if
   if type of e = trafficlight\_to\_green then
       Get signal group sg of event e
       Change traffic light to green for signal group sg
      if there are road users waiting in the queue at sg then
          Get the first road user in the queue next\_ru
          Schedule a departure\_from\_queue event for road user next\_ru
               at time t+ service time of road user next\_ru
       end if
   end if
   if type of e = register\_results then
       for every signal group do
          Get the signal group sq
          for every road user associated with signal group sg do
              Get the road user ru
             if road user ru has left the system then
                 Calculate the delay of road user ru using the departure time
              else
                 if road user ru is in the queue then
                     Calculate the delay of road user ru using current time t
                          and position of road user ru
                 else
                     Calculate the delay by separating the delay into two
                         sections from the arrival time to the start time and
                         from the start time to the current time t and
                         estimating the distance road user ru has travelled
                 end if
              end if
              Store delay and number of stops of ru in output file
          end for
       end for
   end if
end while
return results
```

sojourn time minus the minimum travel time. As the delay is always greater than or equal to zero we take the maximum of 0 and the calculated delay. We consider three different situations:

- The road user has left the system. When a road user leaves the system, their departure time is registered. The sojourn time of this road user is thus their departure time minus the arrival time. The minimum travel time of the road user is calculated by dividing the length of the lane, which is the distance the road user has travelled, by the maximum speed allowed on the lane.
- The road user is in the queue. If the road user is still in a queue, the sojourn time is defined as the current simulation time minus the arrival time. The minimum travel time is calculated by first determining the distance the road user has travelled up until then, which is the length of the lane minus the position of the road user, and then dividing this distance by the maximum speed allowed on the lane. The position of the road user is the last known position in meters from the stop line, thus, in case the road user has travelled since the last time the position was updated, the delay of the road user may be overestimated.
- The road user is in the system, but not in the queue. If the road user is not in the queue we separate the calculation of the delay into two parts. The first part is the delay from the arrival time to the start time of the simulation. The second part is the delay from the start time of the simulation to the current time of the simulation. Adding the two parts of the delay then gives the total delay for this road user. Taking the maximum over 0 and the calculated delay happens only after the two parts of the delay are summed.

The first part of the delay we can calculate exactly. The sojourn time is defined as the start time minus the arrival time and the minimum travel time is defined as the distance travelled by the road user divided by the maximum speed allowed on the lane. The distance travelled by the road user is known exactly and is the length of the lane minus the position of the road user.

For the second part of the delay we define the sojourn time as the current simulation time minus the start time. The distance travelled by the road user is then estimated as the sojourn time times the speed of the road user at the start of the simulation. The minimum travel time is then again the distance travelled by the road user divided by the maximum speed allowed on the lane.

In our simulation, when calculating the delay, we replace all instances of the maximum speed allowed on the lane by the desired speed of the road user. The desired speed is an attribute given to the road user in Vissim. Vissim uses this attribute rather than the maximum speed to calculate the delay. As we wish to compare the delay calculated by our program with the delay calculated in Vissim, the manner in which the delay is calculated has to be the exact same.

3.3 Parameters

In this subsection we describe the model parameters. For each of the parameters we then determine its value. In the model described above we have the following parameters which need to be determined:

- Service time: The position of the vehicles in the queue is not static. When the vehicle in front of the queue starts their departure, vehicles further back may start accelerating and thus change position. We therefore define the service time of a vehicle as the required travel time from becoming the first in the queue to passing the stop line. As vehicles at the back of the queue will have had a longer time to accelerate, the service time is dependent on the original number in line of the vehicle. A vehicle approaching a green light without the presence of a queue will have a service time of zero.
- The number in line: As the service time is dependent on the original position of the vehicle in the queue, in terms of the number of vehicles in the queue, we require an additional variable indicating what number in line the vehicle is. During the simulation we are able to keep track of the number in line by simply assigning either a one, if the arriving vehicle is first in the queue, or the number in line of the vehicle ahead plus one, to the vehicle arriving in the queue. When the traffic light is red we reset the number in line for all vehicles still in the queue. During initialisation we do not have access to prior information, thus we need to estimate the original position for all vehicles in the queue.
- The speed boundaries: During initialisation, for every road user, it has to be determined whether or not they are in the queue. We use speed boundaries for this, i.e. below a certain speed the road user is assumed to be in the queue. We differentiate two boundaries: the speed with which road user arrive at the queue and the speed with which road users depart from the queue. These boundaries may be the same value. The speed boundaries may be determined by simulation. We observe which boundaries give the best result, i.e. for which boundaries the delay calculated by our model is closest to the delay calculated by Vissim, and choose this boundary. As fitting the speed boundary to the simulation may lead to overfitting we consider the same speed boundaries as in Vissim.
- Gap: The variable gap is defined as the average distance between two vehicles waiting in the queue. When the road users are positioned in the queue, this variable is necessary to estimate the position of the vehicles in meters from the stop line.

As we do not have access to real life data we use the data from Vissim to determine the parameter values of our discrete event model. We create a basic model in Vissim with a single lane and traffic light. We let the vehicles form a queue in front of the traffic light before turning the traffic light to green and registering the relevant attributes.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Car	1.106	2.719	2.106	1.841	1.836	1.726	1.711	1.675
HGV	1.164	3.845	2.840	2.556	2.529	2.377	2.354	2.286

Table 1: The mean service times for passenger cars and heavy goods vehicles based on their position in the queue.

To determine the service times of the road users we register the time at which they pass the stop line. For the first road user in the queue we register the time from the traffic light turning green to the passing of the stop line. For all other vehicles we register the time which passes between two vehicles passing the stop line. We consider two types of vehicles, passenger cars and HGV (heavy goods vehicles). As the service time of the road user is dependent on the type of vehicle, we calculate the service times twice, once using only passenger cars and once using only HGV. We do not consider a mixture of vehicles as the type of the vehicle and its number in line are the main factors determining its service time. Furthermore, if we were to consider (all) vehicles ahead of a road user this would be too computationally expensive, as the number of possible combinations of their types would be too large. In Table 1 we see the mean service times after running the basic simulation in Vissim 100 times for every vehicle type. In Figure 2 and 3 the boxplots of the service times can be seen.

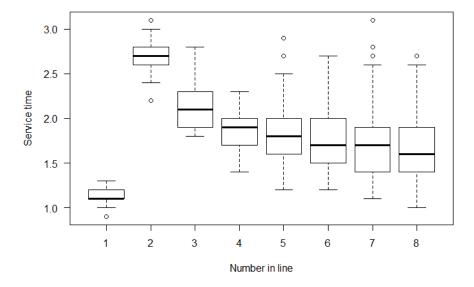


Figure 2: Boxplot of the service times for passenger cars after 100 runs of the basic Vissim model.

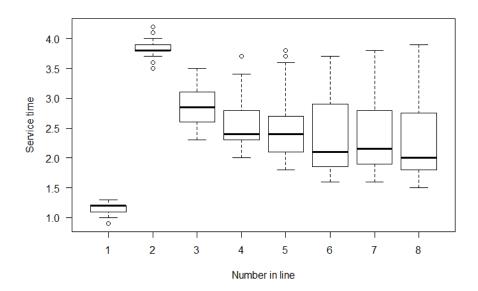


Figure 3: Boxplot of the service times for HGV after 100 runs of the basic Vissim model.

From the results of the service times we can conclude that the position of the road user in the queue, i.e. what number in line the road user is, is a relevant attribute in determining the service time. A snapshot created by *Monitoring* is used during initialisation. At the moment of the snapshot road users in front of the queue may have already passed the stop line, thus the original number in line of the road user has to be estimated. We estimate the original number in line based on the position and speed of the vehicle using a decision tree. We run the basic Vissim simulation 100 times with a mixture of passenger cars and HGV and partition the data into training and testing data. We train the decision tree in R using the speed and position of every vehicle in the queue at every simulation second, considering only training data acquired after the traffic light has turned green. Using the testing data we determine that the decision tree we obtain is 82.3\% accurate, meaning that the prediction of the number in line of our decision tree is equal to the acual number in line in 82.3% of the cases. In Table 2 we see the prediction of the number in line of our decision tree compared to the actual number in line.

The third parameter, the speed boundaries, are required to determine whether a road user is in the queue at initialisation. We run the basic Vissim model 100 times with a mixture of passenger cars and HGV. The Vissim model has an attribute inQueue, which indicates if a vehicle is in the queue. For every road user, we consider the first instance that a road user is considered in the queue and the last instance that a road user is in the queue and examine the speed at these moments. The average speed at the moment a road user is first considered in the queue by Vissim is 4.71 km/h. The minimum speed is 2.42 km/h and the maximum speed is 5.00 km/h. From this we conclude that a vehicle arriving at

pred.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	855	64	1	1	0	0	0	0
2	80	1125	92	7	0	0	0	0
3	8	128	1340	141	20	0	1	0
4	4	6	109	1585	192	18	11	7
5	0	1	22	138	1876	189	50	18
6	0	1	6	22	230	1985	315	72
7	0	2	4	6	68	195	2241	454
8	0	0	0	4	16	48	239	2904

Table 2: Confusion matrix for the prediction of the number in line.

the queue is considered part of the queue when its speed is less than 5 km/h. Similarly, we determine when a vehicle is last considered to be in the queue and find an average of 9.51 km/h and a minimum of 8.91 km/h and a maximum of 10.00 km/h. Thus we conclude that a vehicle has left the queue when its speed is higher than 10.00 km/h.

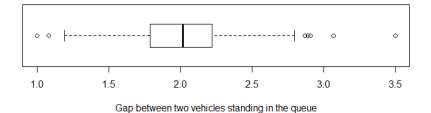


Figure 4: Boxplot of the variable Gap after running the basic Vissim model 100 times with a mixture of passenger cars and HGV.

Finally, to determine the parameter gap, we again run the basic Vissim simulation 100 times with a mixture of passenger cars and HGV. We consider only vehicles which are standing still and determine the gap between two consecutive vehicles. The resulting boxplot can be seen in Figure 4. Due to the stochastic nature of the Vissim model the gap between two vehicles varies from 1 meter to 3.5 meters. In our model we will implement the average value of the gap, which is 2.010249 meter.

4 Results discrete event simulation

In this section we discuss the results of the discrete event simulation. We will focus on the difference in the calculated delay of our model and the delay in the Vissim model, which functions as a representation of reality. We refer to Appendix A.1.3 for an example output of our model for a single run.

We test our model on a basic junction given to us by Sweco. In Figures 5 and 6 we can see the junction and its signal groups. The junction has four arrival places. Two arrival places at approximately 100 meters and two arrival place at approximately 50 meters. From every arrival place a road user may be assigned to one of three signal groups. As we wish to accurately compare our calculated delay with the delay from Vissim, we assume that the signal group to which a road user get assigned is known. Thus every road user will get assigned to the same signal group in our discrete event simulation as in the Vissim simulation.

We consider a low traffic scenario and a high traffic scenario. In the low traffic scenario road users arrive at every arrival place with a rate of 300 vehicles per hour. Thus the total arrival rate at the junction is 1200 vehicles per hour. In the high traffic scenario the vehicles arrival at a rate of 800 vehicles per hour, thus the total arrival rate at the junction is 3200 vehicles per hour. For both scenarios we consider three signal timing plans: one with a cycle time of 40 seconds, one with a cycle time of 60 seconds and one with a cycle time of 80 seconds. The signal timing plan for a cycle of 60 seconds can be see in Table 3. The signal timing plan for a cycle of 40 or 80 seconds respectively decreases or increases the amount of green time for every signal group by 5 seconds.

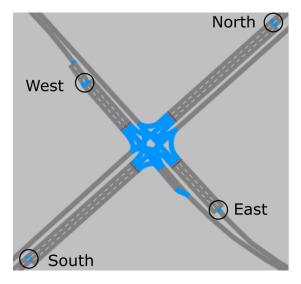


Figure 5: Screenshot of the Vissim model showing the structure of the junction and its arrival places.

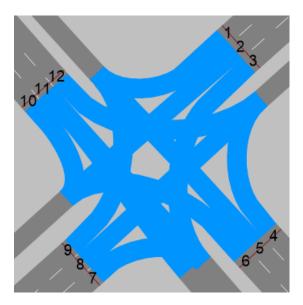
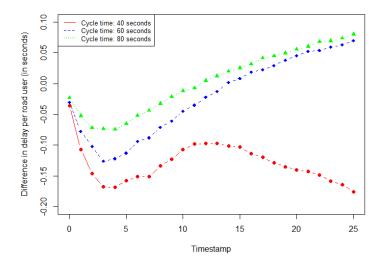


Figure 6: Screenshot of the Vissim model showing a close up of the junction used to test our model, with its signal groups.

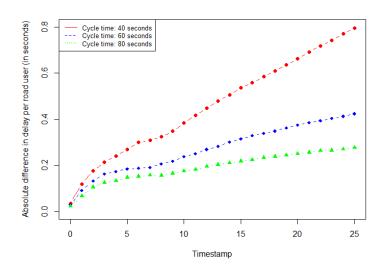
	Start times		
Signal Groups	Green	Amber	Red
1,2 and 3	0	12	15
4,5 and 6	15	27	30
7,8 and 9	30	42	45
10,11 and 12	45	57	60

Table 3: The signal timing plan for a cycle of 60 seconds.

We run the Vissim simulation 100 times for each traffic scenario and cycle time combination. The Vissim simulation lasts 10 minutes and we randomly choose a simulation second from which we obtain the snapshot. We then run our discrete event simulation for this snapshot and obtain the delay for every road user in the snapshot. We compare this delay with the delay in Vissim. A negative difference signifies an underestimation of the actual delay and a positive difference signifies an overestimation of the actual delay. We sum all the differences and average this over the road users to obtain the average difference per road user. We are also interested in the absolute difference in delay, as a (large) negative difference and a (large) positive difference may cancel each other out, which gives the idea that our simulation is accurate, when it is not. The absolute difference is obtained by taking the absolute value of the difference. We sum all the absolute differences and average this over the road users to obtain the average absolute difference per road user.

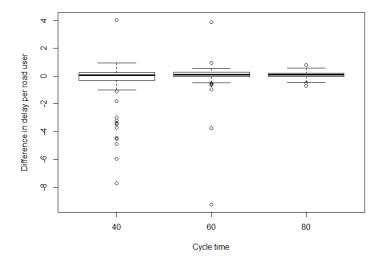


(a) Average difference in delay per road user.

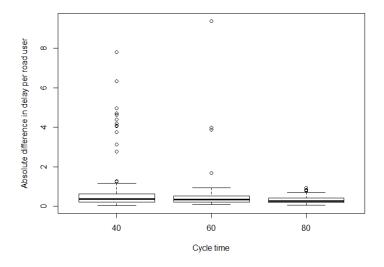


(b) Average absolute difference in delay per road user.

Figure 7: The average difference (7a) and average absolute difference (7b) per road user between the calculated delay of our discrete event model and the delay in Vissim for each timestamp over 100 snapshots with low traffic (300 veh/h per arrival place).



(a) Average difference in delay per road user.



(b) Average absolute difference in delay per road user.

Figure 8: Boxplots of the average difference (8a) and average absolute difference (8b) per road user between the calculated delay of our discrete event model and the delay in Vissim for 100 snapshots with low traffic (300 veh/h per arrival place) after all road users have left the system.

We first look at the results for the low traffic scenario, where road users arrive at every arrival place with a rate of 300 vehicles per hour. In Figure 7 we can see the average difference and average absolute difference per road user for every timestamp averaged over 100 snapshots. As can be seen in Subfigure 7a we underestimate the delay at the beginning of the simulation. After

4 seconds the difference in delay increases again indicating that we start to underestimate the delay less. For a cycle time of 60 and 80 seconds we start to overestimate the delay after approximately 12 seconds. For a cycle time of 40 seconds the difference decreases again after around 12 seconds signifying an increasing underestimation of the delay.

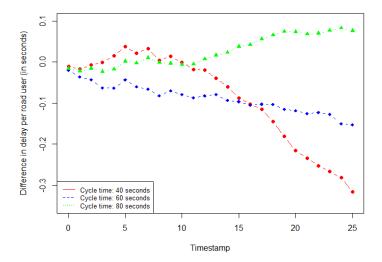
The delay in our model is calculated in three separate ways depending on the situation the road user is in. At the beginning of the simulation a significant part of the road users will be in the system, but not in the queue. As the maximum length of a lane is approximately 100 meters and the maximum speed on the lane is 50 km/h, a road user at the start of the lane will arrive at the queue or stop line in less than 8 seconds. The underestimation at the beginning may thus be caused by the delay calculation for road users not yet in the queue. The underestimation of the delay after 12 seconds, in case the cycle time is 40 seconds, may be due to road users passing the intersection in our model, while the road users in reality do not pass the junction. This happens due to the due to the variability of the service times in Vissim, which can be seen in Figures 2 and 3 in Section 3.3, and the possible faulty estimation of the number in line. We note that Figures 2 and 3 show that most boxplots skew to higher values, indicating that the service times may be much larger than the average. This will lead to road users passing the intersection in our model, due to underestimation of the service time, when in reality they do not pass the intersection.

From Subfigure 7b we conclude that our model is more accurate for higher cycle times. Big differences in delay between the Vissim model and our discrete event model happen when our model predicts a road user passing the intersection, when it should stop in front of a red light, or when our model predicts a road user waiting in front of a red light, when it should pass the intersection. As described before the this happens due to the due to the variability of the service times in Vissim and the possible faulty estimation of the number in line. When the cycle length is long, and thus the green time is long, the variability of the service times has less effect, as all road users will have the chance to pass the intersection. In Figure 8 the boxplots of the average difference and average absolute difference per road user after all road user have left the system is shown. From these boxplots we may conclude that the results show more variability when the cycle time is shorter.

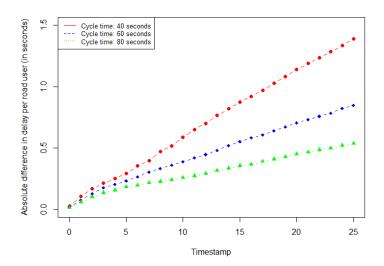
In Table 4 the average difference and average absolute difference per road user over 100 snapshots is shown after all road users have left the system. We note that the average difference is always less than 1 second per road user.

Cycle time	Average difference	Average absolute difference		
	per road user	per road user		
40	-0.403	0.920		
60	-0.0190	0.542		
80	0.0795	0.329		

Table 4: The average difference and average absolute difference in delay between our discrete event model and Vissim per road user over 100 snapshots with low traffic (300 veh/h per arrival place) after all road users have left the system.



(a) Average difference in delay per road user.

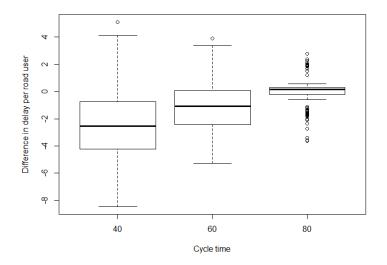


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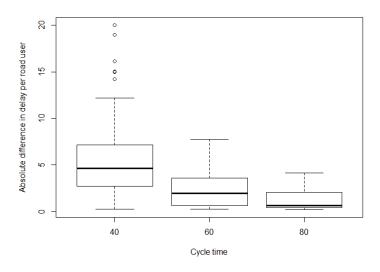
Figure 9: The average difference (9a) and average absolute difference (9b) per road user between the calculated delay of our discrete event model and the delay in Vissim for each timestamp over 100 snapshots with high traffic (800 veh/h per arrival place).

We now look at the high traffic scenario, in which road users arrive at every arrival place with a rate of 800 vehicles per hour, and compare the results with the low traffic scenario. In Figure 9a the average difference per road user for each timestamp is shown. We note that for a cycle time of 40 or 60 seconds we tend to underestimate the delay. For a cycle time of 80 seconds we overestimate

the delay. In Figure 9b the average absolute difference per road user for each timestamp is shown and we see that our model, as in the low traffic scenario, is most accurate for a cycle time of 80 seconds.



(a) Average difference in delay per road user.



(b) Average absolute difference in delay per road user.

Figure 10: Boxplots of the average difference (10a) and average absolute difference (10b) per road user between the calculated delay of our discrete event model and the delay in Vissim for 100 snapshots with high traffic (800 veh/h per arrival place) after all road users have left the system.

In Figure 10 we see that the variability of the results for high traffic is, as

was the case in low traffic, highest when the cycle time is smaller. As expected the variability is larger under high traffic than low traffic, as the high traffic scenario has more road users.

Cycle time		Average absolute difference
	per road user	per road user
40	-2.466	5.571
60	-1.134	2.483
80	-0.0402	1.220

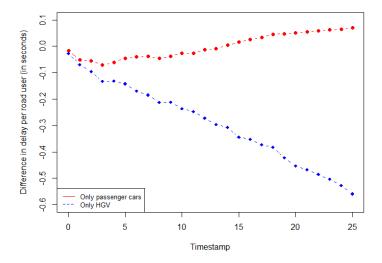
Table 5: The average difference and average absolute difference in delay between our discrete event model and Vissim per road user over 100 snapshots with high traffic (800 veh/h per arrival place) after all road users have left the system.

In Table 5 the average difference and average absolute difference per road user over 100 snapshots is shown after all road users have left the system. The average absolute difference per road user is much larger in the high traffic scenario than in the low traffic scenario. This is particularly visible, when the cycle time is 40 seconds. As described before this is caused by our model simulating vehicles passing the stop line, when in reality the road users either choose to not pass the stop line, when the traffic light is amber, or may not pass the stop line due to road users ahead driving slower than anticipated. As the high traffic scenario has more road users, the number of road users waiting behind other road users in line is higher than in the low traffic scenario. Hence, the effect of the variability of the service times is more pronounced.

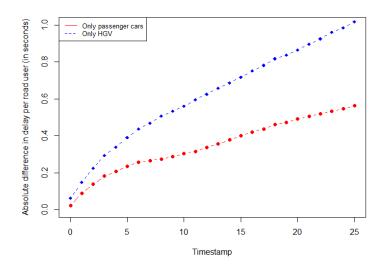
We note that the results in Table 4 and Table 5 do not have much relevance to Sweco, as the delay in *Smart Traffic* is calculated every second for 25 seconds after the start time. The delay after 25 seconds is not taken into consideration. Thus if we focus only on the relevant difference in delay for Sweco, we note that the maximum absolute difference in delay is less than 1.5 seconds per road user for both scenarios.

Another relevant performance measure for Sweco is the running time of the computation, as this is one of the key problems of SUMO. We observe that the average running time of our model for 100 runs is 1.416 seconds under high traffic and 0.875 seconds under low traffic.

In the previous examples we considered a mixture of passenger cars and HGV. We now briefly look at the results in case we only have passenger cars or only HGV. We run the simulation 100 times for only passenger cars and 100 times for only HGV. Each with a cycle time of 60 and an arrival rate of 500 vehicles per hour per arrival place. In Figure 11 the result of the simulations is shown. We note that the simulation is more accurate for only passenger cars. This may be due to the service times of the HGV showing more variance (see Figure 3). This makes it more likely for vehicles to pass the intersection in our model than in Vissim, causing the underestimation of the delay for HGV. We used a similar reasoning to conclude that our model is more accurate for higher cycle times. Another reason for the inaccuracy, in case we only have HGV, may be the calculation of the arrival at queue time. As HGV have a longer breaking distance, HGV will arrive at the queue later than passenger cars and have a larger delay than passenger cars over the same distance.



(a) Average difference in delay per road user.



(b) Average absolute difference in delay per road user.

Figure 11: The average difference (11a) and average absolute difference (11b) per road user between the calculated delay of our discrete event model and the delay in Vissim for each timestamp over 100 snapshots with 500 veh/h per arrival place and cycle time 60.

5 Polling model

In Section 2.1.4 we described the general working of *Smart Traffic*. One of the key challenges concerning *Smart Traffic* is the lack of information on the routing of vehicles. Currently, the routing of the vehicle is guessed based on a probability distribution. This means that an assumption on the routing of the vehicle is made. This assumption is extremely relevant for the performance of *Smart Traffic*, since it will calculate the delay of the vehicle based on the assumed direction of travel. Furthermore, when new information is provided by detection loops, the routing of the vehicle may be updated in accordance with its new position.

In this part of the thesis we will take a closer look at the effect this lack of routing information has on the performance of *Smart Traffic* by modelling a signalised intersection as a polling model. The vehicles or customers, as the actors in a queuing model are usually known, in this polling model may leave a queue to join another queue. This mimics the situation in *Smart Traffic*. When new information is provided on the direction of travel of a vehicle, the vehicle changes position and thus at which signal group or queue it is located.

5.1 Literature

A polling system is a queuing system consisting of a single server attending multiple queues. The server attends a single queue at a time serving the customers in the visited queue. After ending the visit to a queue the server progresses to the next queue. Between two consecutive queue visits the server may incur a switch-over time. A visual representation of a classical polling model can be seen in Figure 12.

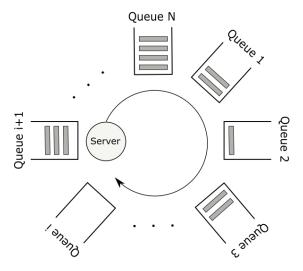


Figure 12: Classical polling model.

Polling models were first studied in 1957, where they were used to describe the problem of a single repairman servicing multiple machines in the cotton industry [17]. Now polling models find their application in many areas, from computer networks to production systems [18] [19]. We refer to [20] and [21] for more extensive overviews on the applicability of polling models.

In general polling models can be used to describe situations in which multiple customer types want to make use of the same common resource which is only available to one type of customer at a time. Traffic at a signalised intersection may thus also be described as a polling model. Vehicles from different directions want to make use of the same part of the road. The traffic light will function as the server, where giving green to a certain direction can be seen as giving service to this direction. Vehicles which arrive at a red traffic light will form a queue. When the traffic light turns green, the vehicles depart from the queue one-by-one. The time it takes for a vehicle to leave the queue may be considered the service time of the vehicle. The clearance time of the intersection or intergreen time can be considered the switch-over time.

Among others, polling models can be characterised by the following aspects:

- Arrival process: The arrival process describes the manner in which customers arrive at the queue. The usual assumption is that the interarrival times, i.e. the time between two arriving customers, are independent and identically distributed. A commonly chosen distribution is the exponential distribution, making the arrival process of customers a Poisson process. In literature various other arrival processes have been studied from Lévy processes to general renewal processes [22][23]. Furthermore, customers may arrive one-by-one or in batches [24] [25].
- The behaviour of customers: Customers waiting in line may grow impatient and leave the queue. In the literature on queuing systems this is referred to as impatience, abandonment or reneging. Polling models with reneging at polling instants, where customers may only abandon queues at the start of a visit or switch-over period, are studied in [26] and [27]. In the following we focus on a polling model in which customer may decide to change queues at polling instances.
- Service process: We usually assume that the service times are i.i.d. distributed and independent from the interarrival and switch-over times. The queuing discipline determines in what order the customers waiting in the queue will be served. Commonly used queuing disciplines are
 - First-Come-First-Serve (FCFS)
 - Random order
 - Last-Come-First-Served (LCFS)
 - Priorities (e.g. shortest processing time first)

A classical polling model only consists of a single server, however there have been studies on polling models with multiple servers [28]. Vlasiou and Yechiali consider a polling model with an infinite amount of servers [29]. As with arrivals, customers may depart one-by-one or depart in batches [30].

• The service discipline: One of the most important properties of a polling model is the service discipline, which determines when a server will switch to serve another queue. The polling model may be analysed in an exact

way if the service discipline satisfies the branching property. We describe the branching property in more detail in Section 5.2.1. Common service disciplines are

- exhaustive: The server will leave the current queue if it is empty and it has served all customers.
- gated: The server will only serve the customers which are present at the start of a visit. Customers arriving during the visit will have to wait until the next visit period to be served.
- globally gated: Globally gated is a modification of gated service, introduced in [31]. Under globally gated service the server will only serve customers which are present at the start of a cycle.
- k-limited: The server will leave the current queue if it is empty or if
 it has served a predefined number of k customers, whichever occurs
 first.

Both exhaustive service and gated service satisfy the Branching property. Globally gated does not satisfy the Branching property, but does satisfy a weaker property, see [32], which makes the exact analysis of a polling model with globally gated service possible. In the following we will focus on exhaustive and gated service.

- Switch-over process: Between two consecutive queue visits a polling model may incur a switch-over time. A common assumption is that the switch-over times are independent from the current state of the system. In [33] the difference between a classical polling model with and without switch-over times is studied.
- Server routing: The server routing describes in which order the server visits the queues. Server routing may be static or dynamic. In a classical polling model we assume a fixed and cyclic visit order. Among others, alternative server routing mechanisms are periodic server routing, described in [34] and Markovian server routing, described in [35].

The focus of the polling model considered in this thesis is on the behaviour of customers. In the subsequent sections we consider a classical polling model with the additional assumption that customers may leave their queue to join another queue.

Before introducing our model in detail, we first describe two other polling models concerning the behaviour of customers, namely the polling model with smart customers as described in [36] and the polling model with reneging as discussed in [26]. The polling model with smart customers studies a polling system in which customers choose to join a queue based on the current position of the server. Then a polling model is obtained with a varying arrival rate in each queue based on the location of the server. A polling model with reneging describes a polling model where customers may choose to abandon the queue at polling instances. In this case, when focusing on the remaining customers only, again a polling system where the arrival rates for each queue depend on the location of the server is obtained. For both systems the cycle time, visit times waiting time distributions and queue length distributions are studied. The analysis of the polling model with smart customers and the polling model with

reneging will serve as a template for our own analysis of the polling model with switching customers.

5.2 Analysis of polling model with switching customers

5.2.1 Model description and notation

We consider a polling model consisting of a single server serving N queues denoted by $Q_1, ..., Q_N$. We assume that the server visits the queues in cyclic order, thus after the server has finished serving Q_N it will start serving Q_1 again. The visit time of Q_i , i.e. the time between the visit beginning and visit ending at Q_i , is denoted by V_i . Customers of type i arrive to Q_i according to a Poisson process with parameter λ_i . The customers get served in first-comefirst-served (FCFS) order and require a general service time B_i . The Laplace-Stieltjes transform (LST) of the service time is denoted by \widetilde{B}_i . After the server ends its visit to Q_i and moves to queue Q_{i+1} the server may incur a switch-over time S_i with LST \widetilde{S}_i . A cycle consists of all visit times and switch-over times $V_1, S_1, ..., V_N, S_N$. We assume that all switch-over times, interarrival times and service times are independent of each other.

An important property of a polling model is the service discipline. Every queue has a service discipline, which determines when the server switches position to serve another queue. The tractability of the analysis of a polling model greatly depends on the type of service discipline. Resing [37] shows that if a service discipline satisfies the following property the polling model can be analysed in a rather simple manner:

Property 1 (Branching Property) If the server arrives at Q_i to find k_i customers there, then during the course of the server's visit, each of these k_i customers will effectively be replaced in an i.i.d. manner by a random population having probability generating function (PGF) $h_i(z_1, ..., z_N)$, which can be any N-dimensional PGF.

If every queue in the polling models satisfies this branching property the polling model can be analysed as a Multitype Branching Process (MTBPs) with immigration [37]. Two common service disciplines which satisfy the branching property are gated and exhaustive service. In gated service the server will end its visit to the queue after serving all customers present at the start of the visit period. Customers arriving during the visit period will not be served and will need to wait for the next visit period. In exhaustive service the server will end its visit to the queue when the queue is empty. If the polling model does not satisfy the branching property, it may only be analysed in an analytical manner in a few exceptional cases, e.g. symmetric or two-queue models.

In the following we consider a polling system where customers may change type, i.e. every customer may leave the queue it is currently in to join another queue. We allow customers to only switch queues at the start of a visit or switch-over period, these periods are called polling instances. At the beginning of period $P \in \{V_1, S_1, ..., V_N, S_N\}$ a customer i may leave Q_i to join Q_j with probability p_{ij} . The probability that customer i stays in Q_i is given by $p_{ii} = 1 - \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^{N} p_{ij}$. These probabilities are independent of the position of the server and the current joint queue length.

To analyse this model we use a technique previously used by Boon [26] and artificially split each period $P \in \{V_1, S_1, ..., V_N, S_N\}$ in a subperiod a and a subperiod b, thus visit time V_i is split into V_{ia} and V_{ib} and switch-over time S_i is split into S_{ia} and S_{ib} . During V_{ia} , right before service starts at Q_i , all customers may leave their queue to immediately join another queue. Thus a customer of type i may leave Q_i and join Q_j with probability p_{ij} , while simultaneously a type j customer at Q_j may join Q_i with probability p_{ji} . The customers changing queues happens instantly and does not require any time, therefore $\mathbb{E}[V_{ia}] = 0$. After the customers have changed queues the actual service will take place at Q_i during period V_{ib} . We thus note that $\mathbb{E}[V_{ib}] = \mathbb{E}[V_i]$. During S_{ia} , right before the beginning of S_i , all customers may again leave their queue to immediately join another queue. The actual switch-over time happens during S_{ib} , hence $\mathbb{E}[S_{ia}] = 0$ and $\mathbb{E}[S_{ib}] = \mathbb{E}[S_i]$. The splitting of the visit times and service times into subperiod a and the beginning of subperiod b.

5.2.2 Stability condition

The model described in the previous section can be viewed as a polling model with varying arrival rates in each queue, depending on the position of the server. This polling model was first discussed by Boxma et al. [36], who referred to this model as a polling model with smart customers. The necessary and sufficient stability condition described by Boxma et al. is that the Perron-Frobenius eigenvalue of the matrix $R - I_N$ should be less then 0, where R is an N by N matrix with elements $\rho_{ij} := \lambda_i^{(V_j)} \mathbb{E}[B_i]$, where $\lambda_i^{(V_j)}$ is the effective arrival rate at Q_i during V_j , and I_N is the N by N identity matrix.

In order to determine the stability of the polling system we thus have to calculate $\lambda_i^{(V_j)}$. We can define the effective arrival rate at follows

$$\lambda_i^{(P)} = \sum_{k=1}^{N} \lambda_k \cdot q_{Q_k^{(P)} \to Q_i}, \tag{1}$$

where $q_{Q_k^{(P)} \to Q_i}$ is the probability of a customer leaving the system at Q_i , when it arrived at Q_k during a period P, with $P \in \{V_{1b}, S_{1b}, ..., V_{Nb}, S_{Nb}\}$. As $\mathbb{E}[V_{ia}] = \mathbb{E}[S_{ia}] = 0$ there are no arrivals during subperiod a. Hence, we only look at the arrivals during subperiod b and $\lambda_i^{(V_j)} = \lambda_i^{(V_{jb})}$.

To calculate these probabilities we consider a Markov chain with states $Q_j^{(V_{ib})}$ and $Q_j^{(S_{ib})}$, with i=1,...,N and j=1,...,N. Let us for the moment only consider a polling system with exhaustive service. Customers which arrive at the queue which is currently being served will also be served. We thus can consider $Q_1^{(V_{1b})}, Q_2^{(V_{2b})}, ..., Q_N^{(V_{Nb})}$ as absorbing states of the Markov chain. In Figure 13 a schematic representation of this Markov chain is given for N=2. Let $q_{Q_j^{(V_{ib})} \to Q_k}$ denote the probability that a customer arriving at Q_j during V_{ib} leaves the system at Q_k and let $q_{Q_j^{(S_{ib})} \to Q_k}$ denote the same for customers

arriving during S_{ib} . Then we obtain the following system of equations

$$\begin{split} q_{Q_{j}^{(V_{1b})} \to Q_{k}} &= \sum_{n=1}^{N} p_{jn} \cdot q_{Q_{n}^{(S_{1b})} \to Q_{k}}, \quad j=2,...,N, \\ q_{Q_{j}^{(S_{1b})} \to Q_{k}} &= \sum_{n=1}^{N} p_{jn} \cdot q_{Q_{n}^{(V_{2b})} \to Q_{k}}, \quad j=1,...,N, \\ q_{Q_{j}^{(V_{2b})} \to Q_{k}} &= \sum_{n=1}^{N} p_{jn} \cdot q_{Q_{n}^{(S_{2b})} \to Q_{k}}, \quad j=1,3,...,N, \\ q_{Q_{j}^{(S_{2b})} \to Q_{k}} &= \sum_{n=1}^{N} p_{jn} \cdot q_{Q_{n}^{(V_{3b})} \to Q_{k}}, \quad j=1,...,N, \\ &\vdots \\ q_{Q_{j}^{(V_{Nb})} \to Q_{k}} &= \sum_{n=1}^{N} p_{jn} \cdot q_{Q_{n}^{(S_{Nb})} \to Q_{k}}, \quad j=1,...,N-1, \\ q_{Q_{j}^{(S_{Nb})} \to Q_{k}} &= \sum_{n=1}^{N} p_{jn} \cdot q_{Q_{n}^{(V_{1b})} \to Q_{k}}, \quad j=1,...,N, \end{split}$$

with for the absorbing states

$$q_{Q_j^{(V_{ib})} \to Q_k} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j = k, \\ 0 & \text{if } i = j \neq k. \end{cases}$$

Solving this system of equations then leads to the needed probabilities.

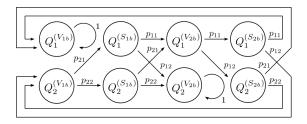


Figure 13: Schematic representation of the Markov chain for exhaustive service for N=2.

In case we have gated service the system of equations differs slightly, since customers which arrive at Q_i during the service of Q_i will not get served during this service. Thus $Q_1^{(V_{1b})}, Q_2^{(V_{2b})}, ..., Q_N^{(V_{Nb})}$ are no longer absorbing states. We introduce additional states $Q_1^{(V_{1b}')}, Q_2^{(V_{2b}')}, ..., Q_N^{(V_{Nb}')}$ which will act as absorbing states for customers already in the system. A schematic representation of this Markov chain with N=2 is given in Figure 14. Let $q_{Q_j^{(P)} \to Q_k}$ again denote the probability that a customer arriving at Q_j during P leaves the system at Q_k ,

with $P \in \{V_{1b}, S_{1b}, ..., V_{Nb}, S_{Nb}\}$. Then we obtain the following set of equations

$$\begin{split} q_{Q_j^{(V_{ib})} \to Q_k} &= \sum_{n=1}^N p_{jn} \cdot q_{Q_n^{(S_{ib})} \to Q_k}, \\ q_{Q_j^{(S_{ib})} \to Q_k} &= p_{j(i+1)} \cdot \mathbf{1} \{i+1=k\} + \sum_{n=1, n \neq (i+1)}^N p_{jn} \cdot q_{Q_n^{(V_{(i+1)b})} \to Q_k}, \end{split}$$

for i = 1, ..., N and j = 1, ..., N, where we calculate modulo N, thus N + 1 = 1, and with indicator function

$$\mathbf{1}\{i=k\} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=k, \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq k. \end{cases}$$

We can again solve this system of equations to obtain the relevant probabilities.

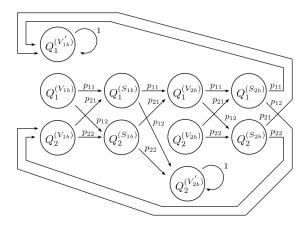


Figure 14: Schematic representation of the Markov chain for gated service for N=2.

From these two examples we can easily see what the Markov chain would like for a polling system, which has a combination of exhaustive and gated service. Filling the relevant probabilities into Equation 1 gives the desired effective arrival rates required to determine the stability condition.

5.2.3 Joint queue length distribution at polling epochs

In this section we derive the joint queue length distribution at polling epochs, i.e. the epochs that the server starts or ends a visit to each queue, for every queue.

Let $\widetilde{LB}^{(P)}(\mathbf{z})$ denote the PGF of the joint queue length at the beginning of each subperiod P, where $P \in \{V_{1a}, V_{1b}, S_{1a}, S_{1b}, ..., V_{Na}, V_{Nb}, S_{Na}, S_{Nb}\}$ and \mathbf{z} denotes the vector $(z_1, ..., z_N)$. We only consider polling systems which satisfy the Branching Property and can subsequently use the Buffer occupancy method to derive an expression for $\widetilde{LB}^{(V_{1a})}(\mathbf{z})$. The Buffer occupancy method relates the joint queue length PGF at the end of a visit to the joint queue length PGF at

the beginning of a visit [38]. As we have split every period into subperiods a and b, we relate the PGFs of the joint queue length distributions at the beginning of various subperiods to each other.

We start by relating the PGF of the joint queue length at the beginning of V_{ia} to the PGF of the joint queue length at the beginning of V_{ib} . We have the following definition of the PGF of the joint queue length at the beginning of subperiod V_{ib}

$$\widetilde{LB}^{(V_{ib})}(\mathbf{z}) = \mathbb{E}\left[z_1^{LB_1^{(V_{ib})}} \cdot \dots \cdot z_N^{LB_N^{(V_{ib})}}\right],\tag{2}$$

where $LB_j^{(V_{ib})}$ denotes the queue length distribution at Q_j during period V_{ib} . We note that the queue length distribution at Q_j during period V_{ib} is dependent on the queue length distribution during period V_{ia} and can be written as follows

$$LB_{j}^{(V_{ib})} = X_{1}^{(1,j)} + \dots + X_{LB_{1}^{(V_{ia})}}^{(1,j)} + X_{1}^{(2,j)} + \dots + X_{LB_{2}^{(V_{ia})}}^{(2,j)} + \dots + X_{1}^{(N,j)} +$$

where $X_l^{(k,j)}$ is a Bernoulli random variable representing the l'th customer in Q_k . The l'th customer in Q_k leaves Q_k to join Q_j with probability p_{kj} and does not join Q_j with probability $1-p_{kj}$. Similarly, the l'th customer in Q_j stays in Q_j with probability p_{jj} and leaves Q_j with probability $1-p_{jj}$.

We now rewrite (2) using (3) and condition on the length of each queue at the beginning of V_{1a} to obtain

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}[z_{1}^{LB_{1}^{(V_{ib})}} \cdot \ldots \cdot z_{N}^{LB_{N}^{(V_{ib})}}] &= \mathbb{E}[z_{1}^{\sum_{k=1}^{N} \sum_{l=1}^{LB_{k}^{(V_{ia})}} X_{l}^{(k,1)}} \cdot \ldots \cdot z_{N}^{\sum_{k=1}^{N} \sum_{l=1}^{LB_{k}^{(V_{ia})}} X_{l}^{(k,N)}}] \\ &= \sum_{a_{1}, \ldots, a_{N} = 0}^{\infty} \mathbb{E}[z_{1}^{\sum_{k=1}^{N} \sum_{l=1}^{a_{1}} X_{l}^{(k,1)}} \cdot \ldots \cdot z_{N}^{\sum_{k=1}^{N} \sum_{l=1}^{a_{N}} X_{l}^{(k,N)}}] \\ &\cdot \mathbb{P}(LB_{1}^{(V_{ia})} = a_{1}, \ldots, LB_{N}^{(V_{ia})} = a_{N}) \end{split} \tag{4}$$

We note that every customer in the queue is independent from other customers in the queue, thus $X_m^{(k,j)} \perp \!\!\! \perp X_n^{(k,j)}$ for all m and n and that queues are independent from each other, thus $X_l^{(y,j)} \perp \!\!\! \perp X_l^{(z,j)}$ for all y and z. There obviously is dependence between the Bernoulli random variables representing the same customer, i.e. $X_l^{(k,i)} \not \perp \!\!\! \perp X_l^{(k,j)}$. Using this information we can further rewrite (4) as follows

$$\sum_{a_1,\dots,a_N=0}^{\infty} (\mathbb{E}[z_1^{X_1^{(1,1)}} \cdot \dots \cdot z_N^{X_1^{(1,N)}}])^{a_1} \cdot \dots \cdot (\mathbb{E}[z_1^{X_1^{(N,1)}} \cdot \dots \cdot z_N^{X_1^{(N,N)}}])^{a_N}$$

$$\cdot \mathbb{P}(LB_1^{(V_{ia})} = a_1, \dots, LB_N^{(V_{ia})} = a_N)$$

$$= \sum_{a_1,\dots,a_N=0}^{\infty} (\sum_{k=1}^{N} p_{1k} z_k)^{a_1} \cdot \dots \cdot (\sum_{k=1}^{N} p_{Nk} z_k)^{a_N} \cdot \mathbb{P}(LB_1^{(V_{ia})} = a_1, \dots, LB_N^{(V_{ia})} = a_N),$$

$$(5)$$

where we used

$$\mathbb{E}[z_1^{X_1^{(j,1)}} \cdot \dots \cdot z_N^{X_1^{(j,N)}}] = \sum_{x_1,\dots,x_N=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}(X_1^{(j,1)} = x_1, \dots, X_1^{(j,N)} = x_N) \cdot z_1^{x_1} \cdot \dots \cdot z_N^{x_N}$$

$$= p_{j1}z_1 + \dots + p_{jN}z_N = \sum_{k=1}^{N} p_{jk}z_k.$$

Equation (5) can be recognised as the PGF of the joint queue length at the beginning of subperiod V_{ia} . Thus we obtain

$$\widetilde{LB}^{(V_{ib})}(\mathbf{z}) = \widetilde{LB}^{(V_{ia})}(\sum_{k=1}^{N} p_{1k}z_k, ..., \sum_{k=1}^{N} p_{Nk}z_k).$$

As the polling system satisfies the Branching Property we can use from its definition that each customer in Q_i at the start of visit period V_{ib} will effectively be replace in an i.i.d. manner by random population having PGF $h_i(z_1,...,z_N)$. Hence, we find the following relation between the PGF of the joint queue length at the beginning of S_{ia} and the PGF of the joint queue length at the beginning of V_{ib}

$$\widetilde{LB}^{(S_{ia})}(\mathbf{z}) = \widetilde{LB}^{(V_{ib})}(z_1, ..., z_{i-1}, h_i(\mathbf{z}), z_{i+1}, ..., z_N).$$

The PGF $h_i(\mathbf{z})$ depends on the type of service discipline. For gated service we have $h_i(\mathbf{z}) = \widetilde{B}_i(\sum_{j=1}^N \lambda_j (1-z_j))$ and for exhaustive service we have $h_i(\mathbf{z}) = \widetilde{BP}_i(\sum_{j\neq i} \lambda_j (1-z_j))$, where \widetilde{BP}_i is the LST of the duration of a busy period at Q_i .

The relation between $\widetilde{LB}^{(S_{ib})}(\mathbf{z})$ and $\widetilde{LB}^{(S_{ia})}(\mathbf{z})$ is similar to the relation between $\widetilde{LB}^{(V_{ib})}(\mathbf{z})$ and $\widetilde{LB}^{(V_{ia})}(\mathbf{z})$, as, similar to V_{ia} , customers may switch queues during S_{ia} .

The queue length distribution at beginning $V_{(i+1)a}$ is equal to the queue length distribution at the beginning of S_{ib} plus all customers which arrived during the switch-over time S_i , thus we obtain the following relation

$$\widetilde{LB}^{(V_{(i+1)a})}(\mathbf{z}) = \widetilde{LB}^{(S_{ib})}(\mathbf{z})\widetilde{S}_i(\sum_{j=1}^N \lambda_j(1-z_j)).$$

Relating the PGFs of the joint queue lengths distributions at the beginning of various subperiods to each other leads to the following set of equations, also referred to as the laws of motion, which can be solved recursively to obtain an

expression for
$$\widetilde{LB}^{(V_{1a})}(\mathbf{z})$$

$$\widetilde{LB}^{(V_{1b})}(\mathbf{z}) = \widetilde{LB}^{(V_{1a})}(\sum_{k=1}^{N} p_{1k}z_k, ..., \sum_{k=1}^{N} p_{Nk}z_k),$$

$$\widetilde{LB}^{(S_{1a})}(\mathbf{z}) = \widetilde{LB}^{(V_{1b})}(h_1(\mathbf{z}), z_2, ..., z_N),$$

$$\widetilde{LB}^{(S_{1b})}(\mathbf{z}) = \widetilde{LB}^{(S_{1a})}(\sum_{k=1}^{N} p_{1k}z_k, ..., \sum_{k=1}^{N} p_{Nk}z_k),$$

$$\widetilde{LB}^{(V_{2a})}(\mathbf{z}) = \widetilde{LB}^{(S_{1b})}(\mathbf{z})\widetilde{S}_i(\sum_{j=1}^{N} \lambda_j(1-z_j)),$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\widetilde{LB}^{(V_{Nb})}(\mathbf{z}) = \widetilde{LB}^{(V_{Na})}(\sum_{k=1}^{N} p_{1k}z_k, ..., \sum_{k=1}^{N} p_{Nk}z_k),$$

$$\widetilde{LB}^{(S_{Na})}(\mathbf{z}) = \widetilde{LB}^{(V_{Nb})}(z_1, ..., z_{N-1}, h_N(\mathbf{z})),$$

$$\widetilde{LB}^{(S_{Nb})}(\mathbf{z}) = \widetilde{LB}^{(S_{Na})}(\sum_{k=1}^{N} p_{1k}z_k, ..., \sum_{k=1}^{N} p_{Nk}z_k),$$

$$\widetilde{LB}^{(V_{1a})}(\mathbf{z}) = \widetilde{LB}^{(S_{Nb})}(\mathbf{z})\widetilde{S}_i(\sum_{j=1}^{N} \lambda_j(1-z_j)).$$

5.2.4 Joint queue length distribution at arbitrary epochs

In the previous section we derived the joint queue length distribution at polling epochs. We can now use these results to derive an expression for the joint queue length distribution at arbitrary epochs.

We start from the following observation made by Eisenberg [39]. All service beginnings at Q_i coincide with a service completion at Q_i , except for the first service beginning which coincides with a visit beginning at Q_i . Similarly, all service completions at Q_i coincide with a service beginning at Q_i , except for the last service completion which coincides with a visit completion at Q_i . As shown by Boxma et al. [40], this observation can be used to derive the joint queue length distribution at an arbitrary epoch.

We first need to calculate the PGF of the joint queue length distribution at service beginnings at Q_i . Let $\widetilde{LS}_i(\mathbf{z})$ and $\widetilde{LD}_i(\mathbf{z})$, respectively, denote the PGF of the joint queue length distribution at service beginnings and service completions at Q_i . Then, using the observation made by Eisenberg [39] and the results of Boxma et al. [40], we obtain the following relation

$$\frac{1}{\hat{\lambda}_i \mathbb{E}[C]} \widetilde{LB}^{(V_{ib})}(\mathbf{z}) + \widetilde{LD}_i(\mathbf{z}) = \widetilde{LS}_i(\mathbf{z}) + \frac{1}{\hat{\lambda}_i \mathbb{E}[C]} \widetilde{LB}^{(S_{ia})}(\mathbf{z}), \quad i = 1, ..., N, \quad (6)$$

where $\hat{\lambda}_i$ is the effective arrival rate at Q_i and $\hat{\lambda}_i \mathbb{E}[C]$ is the mean number of customers served at Q_i per visit. It is easily seen that we have the following

relation between $\widetilde{LS}_i(\mathbf{z})$ and $\widetilde{LD}_i(\mathbf{z})$

$$\widetilde{LD}_{i}(\mathbf{z}) = \widetilde{LS}_{i}(\mathbf{z})\widetilde{B}_{i}\left(\sum_{j=1}^{N} \lambda_{j}(1-z_{j})\right)/z_{i}, \quad i = 1, ..., N.$$
(7)

Combining Equations (6) and (7) gives the following

$$\widetilde{LS_i}(\mathbf{z}) = \frac{1}{\hat{\lambda}_i \mathbb{E}[C]} \frac{z_i}{z_i - \widetilde{B}_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^N \lambda_j (1 - z_j)\right)} (\widetilde{LB}^{(V_{ib})}(\mathbf{z}) - \widetilde{LB}^{(S_{ia})}(\mathbf{z})),$$

$$\widetilde{LD_i}(\mathbf{z}) = \frac{1}{\widehat{\lambda}_i \mathbb{E}[C]} \frac{\widetilde{B}_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^N \lambda_j (1 - z_j)\right)}{z_i - \widetilde{B}_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^N \lambda_j (1 - z_j)\right)} (\widetilde{LB}^{(V_{ib})}(\mathbf{z}) - \widetilde{LB}^{(S_{ia})}(\mathbf{z})),$$

for i = 1, ..., N. We can now use these expressions to derive the joint queue length distribution at arbitrary epochs.

Let $L(\mathbf{z})$ denote the PGF of the joint queue length distribution at an arbitrary epoch and $\widetilde{L}^{(P)}(\mathbf{z})$ with $P \in \{V_{1a}, V_{1b}, S_{1a}, S_{1b}, ..., V_{Na}, V_{Nb}, S_{Na}, S_{Nb}\}$ denote the PGF of the joint queue length distribution at an arbitrary epoch during P. Then, by the stochastic mean value theorem, we have

$$\widetilde{L}(\mathbf{z}) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left(\frac{\mathbb{E}[V_i]}{\mathbb{E}[C]} \widetilde{L}^{(V_{ib})}(\mathbf{z}) + \frac{\mathbb{E}[S_i]}{\mathbb{E}[C]} \widetilde{L}^{(S_{ib})}(\mathbf{z}) \right), \tag{8}$$

where we use that $\mathbb{E}[V_{ia}] = \mathbb{E}[S_{ia}] = 0$, $\mathbb{E}[V_{ib}] = \mathbb{E}[V_i]$ and $\mathbb{E}[S_{ib}] = \mathbb{E}[S_i]$, for all i = 1, ..., N.

To derive an expression for $\widetilde{L}^{(V_{ib})}(\mathbf{z})$ we use an observation by Boxma et al. [40] stating that the PGF at an arbitrary epoch during period V_{ib} , in which customers get served, is equal to the PGF at an arbitrary epoch during a service time B_i . The number of customer at an arbitrary point of time during service time B_i is equal to the number of customers present at the beginning of service time B_i plus all customers arriving during the elapsed part of the service. Hence, we obtain the following

$$\widetilde{L}^{(V_{ib})}(\mathbf{z}) = \widetilde{LS}_i(\mathbf{z})\widetilde{B}_{i,past}\Big(\sum_{j=1}^N \lambda_j(1-z_j)\Big),$$

where $\widetilde{B}_{i,past}(\mathbf{w})$ is the LST of the elapsed part of service time B_i given by

$$\widetilde{B}_{i,past}(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1 - \widetilde{B}_i(\mathbf{w})}{\mathbf{w}\mathbb{E}[B_i]},$$

see [41]. Thus we find the following expression for $\widetilde{L}^{(V_{ib})}(\mathbf{z})$

$$\widetilde{L}^{(V_{ib})}(\mathbf{z}) = \widetilde{LS}_i(\mathbf{z}) \frac{1 - \widetilde{B}_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^N \lambda_j (1 - z_j)\right)}{\sum_{j=1}^N \lambda_j (1 - z_j) \mathbb{E}[B_i]}.$$
(9)

Similarly, we can define $\widetilde{S}_{i,past}(\mathbf{w})$ as the LST of the elapsed part of switch-over time S_i to obtain the following expression for $\widetilde{L}^{(S_{ib})}$

$$\widetilde{L}^{(S_{ib})}(\mathbf{z}) = \widetilde{LB}^{(S_{ib})}(\mathbf{z})\widetilde{S}_{i,past}\left(\sum_{j=1}^{N} \lambda_j (1 - z_j)\right) = \frac{\widetilde{LB}^{(S_{ib})}(\mathbf{z}) - \widetilde{LB}^{(V_{(i+1)a})}(\mathbf{z})}{\sum_{j=1}^{N} \lambda_j (1 - z_j)\mathbb{E}[S_i]},$$
(10)

where we used $\widetilde{LB}^{(V_{(i+1)a})} = \widetilde{S}_i(\mathbf{z})\widetilde{LB}^{(S_{ib})}(\mathbf{z}).$

By substituting (9) and (10) into (8) we obtain the PGF of the joint queue length distribution at an arbitrary epoch,

$$\begin{split} \widetilde{L}(\mathbf{z}) &= \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left(\frac{\mathbb{E}[V_i]}{\mathbb{E}[C]} \frac{1}{\hat{\lambda}_i \mathbb{E}[C]} \frac{z_i (\widetilde{LB}^{(V_{ib})}(\mathbf{z}) - \widetilde{LB}^{(S_{ia})}(\mathbf{z}))}{z_i - \widetilde{B}_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^{N} \lambda_j (1 - z_j) \right)} \frac{1 - \widetilde{B}_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^{N} \lambda_j (1 - z_j) \right)}{\sum_{j=1}^{N} \lambda_j (1 - z_j) \mathbb{E}[B_i]} \\ &+ \frac{\mathbb{E}[S_i]}{\mathbb{E}[C]} \frac{\widetilde{LB}^{(S_{ib})}(\mathbf{z}) - \widetilde{LB}^{(V_{(i+1)a})}(\mathbf{z})}{\sum_{j=1}^{N} \lambda_j (1 - z_j) \mathbb{E}[S_i]} \\ &= \frac{1}{\mathbb{E}[C]} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left(\frac{z_i (\widetilde{LB}^{(V_{ib})}(\mathbf{z}) - \widetilde{LB}^{(S_{ia})}(\mathbf{z}))}{z_i - \widetilde{B}_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^{N} \lambda_j (1 - z_j) \right)} \frac{1 - \widetilde{B}_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^{N} \lambda_j (1 - z_j) \right)}{\sum_{j=1}^{N} \lambda_j (1 - z_j)} \\ &+ \frac{\widetilde{LB}^{(S_{ib})}(\mathbf{z}) - \widetilde{LB}^{(V_{(i+1)a})}(\mathbf{z})}{\sum_{i=1}^{N} \lambda_j (1 - z_j)} \right), \end{split}$$

where we used $\mathbb{E}[V_i] = \hat{\lambda}_i \mathbb{E}[C][B_i]$.

5.2.5 Mean cycle time and mean visit times

In the previous section we derive the joint queue length distributions at arbitrary epochs. The expression found contains the mean cycle time $\mathbb{E}[C]$. In this section we briefly describe how to obtain the mean cycle time using the LSTs of the distributions of the visit times V_i .

Let $V_i(w)$ denote the LST of the visit time at Q_i . For any service discipline satisfying the branching property, as described in Section 5.2.1, $\widetilde{V}_i(w)$ can be expressed in terms of the joint queue length distribution at visit beginnings as follows

$$\widetilde{V}_i(w) = \widetilde{LB}^{(V_i)}(1, ..., 1, \widetilde{\theta}_i(w), 1, ..., 1), i = 1, ..., N,$$
(11)

where $\widetilde{\theta}_i(w)$ is the LST of the time the server spends at Q_i due to the presence of a single customer. For gated service $\widetilde{\theta}_i(w) = \widetilde{B}_i(w)$, and for exhaustive service $\widetilde{\theta}_i(w) = \widetilde{BP}_i(w)$, where \widetilde{BP}_i is the LST of the duration of a busy period at Q_i .

By differentiating (11) we obtain the mean visit times $\mathbb{E}[V_i]$. A cycle consists of all visit times and switch-over times, $C = V_1 + S_1 + ... + V_N + S_N$. The mean cycle time can thus be obtained using

$$\mathbb{E}[C] = \sum_{i=1}^{N} (\mathbb{E}[V_i] + \mathbb{E}[S_i]).$$

6 Numerical examples polling model

In this section we consider two examples of a polling model with switching customers. In the first example we focus on a two-queue polling model and describe the effects of the parameters. In the second example we consider a two-queue polling model which mimics the situation in *Smart Traffic*.

6.1 Example 1: A two-queue polling model

We consider a two-queue polling model with switching customers as described in the previous section. At the beginning of a polling epoch a customer may stay in Q_1 or Q_2 with probability p_{11} or p_{22} , respectively. All customers which choose not to stay in the queue will join the other queue.

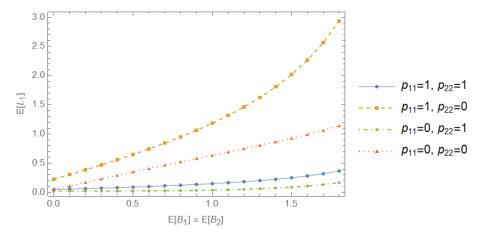


Figure 15: The expected queue length of Q_1 for $\mathbb{E}[S_i] = 1$ and varying values of $\mathbb{E}[B_i]$ under gated service.

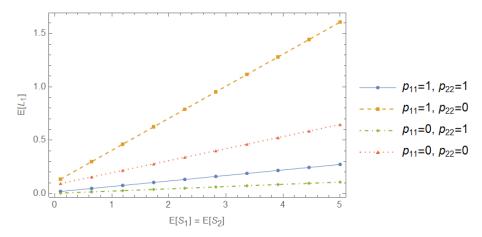


Figure 16: The expected queue length of Q_1 for $\mathbb{E}[B_i] = \frac{1}{4}$ and varying values of $\mathbb{E}[S_i]$ under gated service.

We assume both queues have the same deterministic service times and switchover times, thus $\mathbb{E}[B_1] = \mathbb{E}[B_2]$ and $\mathbb{E}[S_1] = \mathbb{E}[S_2]$. The arrival processes are Poisson with parameter $\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{20}$ for Q_1 and $\lambda_2 = \frac{7}{20}$ for Q_2 . We denote the mean queue length at arbitrary epochs by $\mathbb{E}[L_i]$, i = 1, 2.

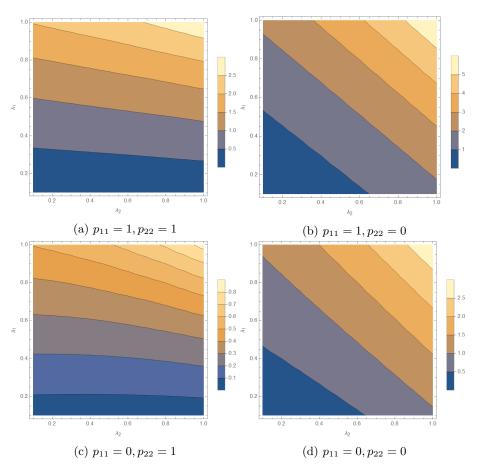


Figure 17: The expected queue length of Q_1 under gated service for $\mathbb{E}[B_i] = \frac{1}{4}$ and $\mathbb{E}[S_i] = 1$.

We study the effect of the model parameters on the mean queue lengths and consider both exhaustive and gated service. In Figure 15 the effect of $\mathbb{E}[B_i]$ on $\mathbb{E}[L_1]$ is shown for gated service. The effect is as expected with $\mathbb{E}[L_1]$ increasing as $\mathbb{E}[B_i]$ increases. In Figure 16 the effect of $\mathbb{E}[S_i]$, again for $\mathbb{E}[L_1]$ under gated service, is shown. $\mathbb{E}[L_1]$ increases linearly as $\mathbb{E}[S_i]$ increases. For completeness, the effect of varying arrival rates λ_1 and λ_2 on $\mathbb{E}[L_1]$ under gated service is shown in Figure 17. When $p_{22}=1$ all customers in Q_2 stay in Q_2 , thus in this case the effect of λ_2 is minimal on the mean queue length of Q_1 . We do note that $\mathbb{E}[L_1]$ is higher when λ_2 is higher. As λ_2 increases the time between a visit ending at Q_1 and the subsequent visit beginning at Q_1 increases, due to the increased $\mathbb{E}[V_2]$, leading to an increase in mean queue length at Q_1 . When $p_{22}=0$ all customers in Q_2 switch to Q_1 at polling epochs. The mean queue length of Q_1 is then greatly dependent on the arrival rate at Q_2 . This is visible

in Figures 17b and 17d. For $\mathbb{E}[L_1]$ under exhaustive service and for $\mathbb{E}[L_2]$ under both exhaustive and gated service, $\mathbb{E}[B_i]$, $\mathbb{E}[S_i]$ and λ_i , with i=1,2, exhibit similar behaviour.

After showing that the effect of $\mathbb{E}[B_i]$, $\mathbb{E}[S_i]$ and λ_i on $\mathbb{E}[L_i]$ are as expected, we focus on the more interesting parameters of the model p_{11} and p_{22} . We compare the following four systems, with deterministic service and switch-over times:

- (a) $\mathbb{E}[B_i] = 1$ and $\mathbb{E}[S_i] = 1$,
- (b) $\mathbb{E}[B_i] = 1$ and $\mathbb{E}[S_i] = 10$,
- (c) $\mathbb{E}[B_i] = 1.8 \text{ and } \mathbb{E}[S_i] = 1,$
- (d) $\mathbb{E}[B_i] = 1.8 \text{ and } \mathbb{E}[S_i] = 10,$

with $\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{20}$ and $\lambda_2 = \frac{7}{20}$. In Figures 18-20 we show how the mean queue length depends on p_{11} and p_{22} for the four systems. We omitted the results for $\mathbb{E}[L_1]$ under exhaustive service, as exhaustive service shows similar results to gated service for Q_1 .

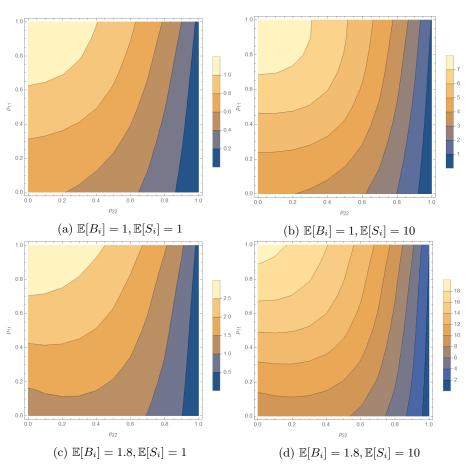


Figure 18: $\mathbb{E}[L_1]$ under gated service.

In Figure 18 the mean queue length of Q_1 under gated service is shown. We note that the mean queue length is largest when all customers stay in Q_1 and all customers in Q_2 join Q_1 . The second largest mean queue length among the four extremes $(p_11=0 \text{ or } 1 \text{ and } p_22=0 \text{ or } 1)$ is when all customers decide to change queues. Customer arrive at Q_2 at a much higher rate than at Q_1 . Since the customers change queues at polling epochs, customers may arrive at Q_1 with rate λ_1 , switch to Q_2 where they are joined by customers with arrival rate λ_2 and then all switch to Q_1 again. Thus the effective arrival rate at Q_1 in case $p_{11}=p_{22}=0$ is closer to the average of both arrival rates and thus higher than the arrival rate in case $p_{11}=p_{22}=1$. When all customers decide to leave Q_1 and no customers join from Q_2 the arrival rate is the lowest. Figure 19 shows the results for the mean queue length of Q_2 under gated service.

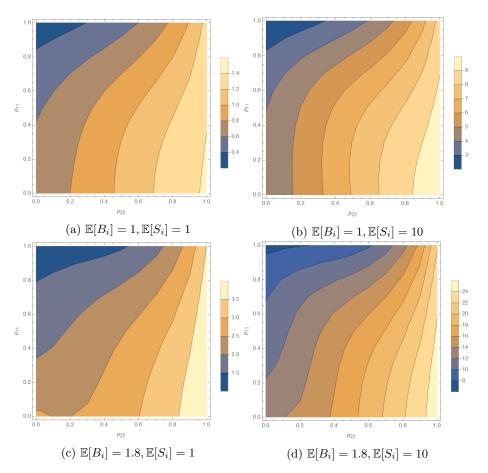


Figure 19: $\mathbb{E}[L_2]$ under gated service.

Intuitively, one would expect the mean queue length to decrease as the number of customers opting to leave the queue increases and the number of customers joining the queue decreases and similarly one would expect the mean queue length to increase as the number of customers opting to leave the queue decreases and the number of customers joining the queue increases. However, in system (c), depicted in Subfigure 18c and Subfigure 19c, we can note some

non-monotonic behaviour, where for low values p_{11} the expected queue length of Q_1 , $\mathbb{E}[L_1]$, may be lower for lower values of p_{22} and the expected queue length of Q_2 , $\mathbb{E}[L_2]$ may be higher for lower values of p_{22} .

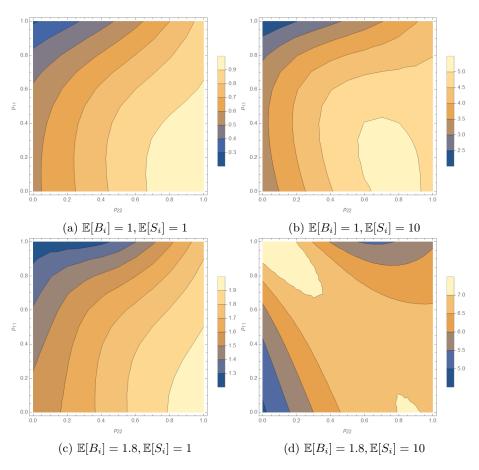


Figure 20: $\mathbb{E}[L_2]$ under exhaustive service.

In Figure 20 the results for the mean queue length in Q_2 under the exhaustive discipline are shown. Subfigure 20b shows clear non-monotonic behaviour for lower values of p_{11} . In system (b), $\mathbb{E}[S_i]$ is much larger than $\mathbb{E}[B_i]$, thus the switch-over periods become dominant. The parameters p_{11} and p_{22} do not influence the arrivals during the switch-over periods, as the switching of customers only takes place at polling epochs. When p_{22} is high and p_{11} is low, a large number of customers will stay in Q_2 or join Q_2 from Q_1 at a polling epoch, this means that the visit period of Q_2 will be large. Simultaneously, due to the large switch-over periods and customers leaving Q_1 , the amount of customers at the start of a visit period at Q_1 will be small. Consequently, Q_1 has a smaller visit period and thus the the visit period at Q_2 will start sooner. Hence, the mean queue length at Q_2 is smaller if Q_1 has a smaller visit period. As p_{11} increases and p_{22} decreases, the length of the visit period of Q_1 increases, however for high enough values for p_{11} or low enough values for p_{22} this is offset by the (low) amount of customers in Q_2 .

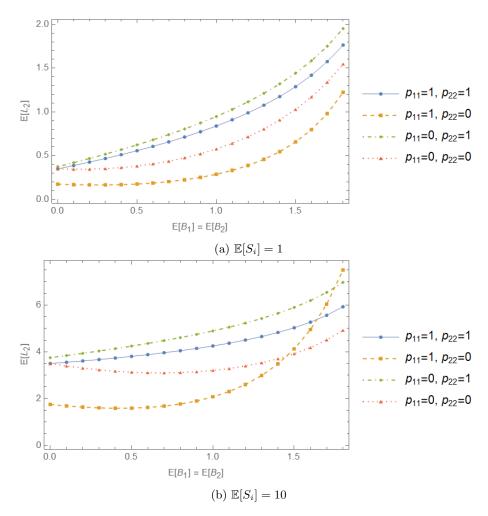


Figure 21: The expected queue length of Q_2 for varying values of $\mathbb{E}[B_i]$ under exhaustive service.

In system (d), where $\mathbb{E}[B_i] = 1.8$ and $\mathbb{E}[S_i] = 10$, seen in Subfigure 20d, we see that the expected queue length of Q_2 is highest for $p_{11} = 1$ and $p_{22} = 0$. Thus all customers leaving Q_2 to join Q_1 and no customers joining Q_1 from Q_2 leads to the highest expected queue length in Q_2 . This seems counter-intuitive, as Q_2 is emptied at each polling epoch and in all other cases studied $p_{11} = 1$ and $p_{22} = 0$ gives the lowest expected queue length in Q_2 , as we can see in Figure 19 and Subfigures 20a, 20b and 20c. To study this counterintuitive behaviour we plot $\mathbb{E}[L_2]$ for varying rates of $\mathbb{E}[B_i]$ in Figure 21 and note that when $\mathbb{E}[B_i]$ increases $\mathbb{E}[L_2]$ increases more steeply for $p_{11} = 1, p_{22} = 0$ than the other combinations plotted. As described previously, when $\mathbb{E}[S_i]$ is large, a large number of customers will accumulate in both Q_1 and Q_2 and the parameters p_{11} and p_{22} will not influence the arrivals during the switch-over periods. Due to the customers arriving during the long switch-over periods and all customers from Q_2 joining Q_1 , the busy period at Q_1 will start with a large number of customers. Unlike system (b), system (d) additionally has large mean service times, com-

bined with the exhaustive service discipline, this leads to an even longer busy period at Q_1 . During the busy period of Q_1 , customers will accumulate at Q_2 . These customers will not be served during the busy period, since the server is at Q_1 , and will not leave to join Q_1 until the next polling epoch. This explains the behaviour visible in Figure 21 and Subfigure 20d.

We also briefly take a look at the correlation between the queue length of Q_1 and the queue length of Q_2 . The Pearson correlation coefficient is defined as

$$\rho_{L_1,L_2} = \frac{cov(L_1,L_2)}{\sigma_{L_1}\sigma_{L_2}},$$

where $cov(L_1, L_2)$ is the covariance, σ_{L_1} is the standard deviation of L_1 and σ_{L_2} is the standard deviation of L_2 [42]. In Figure 22 the correlation coefficient can be seen for system (a), which has $\mathbb{E}[B_i] = 1$ and $\mathbb{E}[S_i] = 1$, under both exhaustive and gated service. We note that the correlation coefficient is higher under gated service.

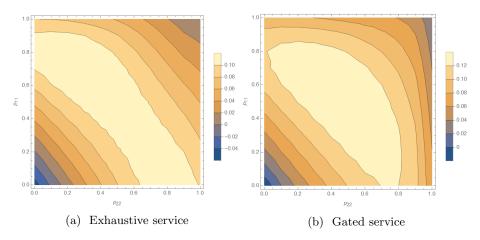


Figure 22: Correlation coefficient between the queue length of Q_1 and the queue length of Q_2 for $\mathbb{E}[B_i] = 1$ and $\mathbb{E}[S_i] = 1$ under exhaustive and gated service.

6.2 Example 2: Smart Traffic

In the polling model with switching customers, as described in Section 5, customers may change queues at every polling instance. In *Smart Traffic* the vehicle or customers may change queues, when new information on their position is available. It is unlikely that new information will lead to a vehicle switching back to a position it previously was. Hence, it is unlikely that a customer changes queues twice or more often.

In this example we will focus on a two-queue polling system in which customers may only change queues once. To obtain a system which satisfies this condition we require that customers may not leave one of the queues, thus we assume $p_{22}=1$. The arrival processes to both queues are Poisson with parameter $\frac{1}{6}$. We further assume both queues have the same service times and switch-over times, with $\mathbb{E}[B_1]=\mathbb{E}[B_2]=2$ and $\mathbb{E}[S_1]=\mathbb{E}[S_2]=3$.

In Table 6 and 7 we see the expected queue length at the beginning of period $P \in \{V_{1a}, V_{1b}, S_{1a}, S_{1b}, V_{2a}, V_{2b}, S_{2a}, S_{2b}\}$ under exhaustive service for Q_1

	V_{1a}	V_{1b}	S_{1a}	S_{1b}	V_{2a}	V_{2b}	S_{2a}	S_{2b}
$p_{11} = 1$	2	2	0	0	0.5	0.5	1.5	1.5
$p_{11} = 0.9$	1.93	1.73	0	0	0.5	0.45	1.58	1.43
$p_{11} = 0.8$	1.83	1.47	0	0	0.5	0.4	1.67	1.33
$p_{11} = 0.7$	1.72	1.21	0	0	0.5	0.35	1.75	1.22
$p_{11} = 0.6$	1.59	0.956	0	0	0.5	0.3	1.82	1.09
$p_{11} = 0.5$	1.44	0.722	0	0	0.5	0.25	1.89	0.944
$p_{11} = 0.4$	1.28	0.511	0	0	0.5	0.2	1.94	0.778
$p_{11} = 0.3$	1.1	0.329	0	0	0.5	0.15	1.99	0.596
$p_{11} = 0.2$	0.902	0.18	0	0	0.5	0.1	2.01	0.402
$p_{11} = 0.1$	0.701	0.0701	0	0	0.5	0.05	2.01	0.201
$p_{11} = 0$	0.5	0	0	0	0.5	0	2	0

Table 6: The expected queue length of Q_1 at the beginning of period $P \in \{V_{1a}, V_{1b}, S_{1a}, S_{1b}, V_{2a}, V_{2b}, S_{2a}, S_{2b}\}$ under exhaustive service.

	V_{1a}	V_{1b}	S_{1a}	S_{1b}	V_{2a}	V_{2b}	S_{2a}	S_{2b}
$p_{11} = 1$	0.5	0.5	1.5	1.5	2	2	0	0
$p_{11} = 0.9$	0.658	0.851	1.72	1.72	2.22	2.27	0	0.158
$p_{11} = 0.8$	0.833	1.2	2.93	1.93	2.43	2.53	0	0.333
$p_{11} = 0.7$	1.02	1.54	2.14	2.14	2.64	2.79	0	0.524
$p_{11} = 0.6$	1.23	1.87	2.34	2.34	2.84	3.04	0	0.729
$p_{11} = 0.5$	1.44	2.17	2.53	2.53	3.03	3.28	0	0.944
$p_{11} = 0.4$	1.67	2.43	2.69	2.69	3.19	3.49	0	1.17
$p_{11} = 0.3$	1.189	2.66	2.82	2.82	3.32	3.67	0	1.39
$p_{11} = 0.2$	2.11	2.83	2.92	2.92	3.42	3.82	0	1.61
$p_{11} = 0.1$	2.31	2.94	2.98	2.98	3.48	3.93	0	1.81
$p_{11} = 0$	2.5	3	3	3	3.5	4	0	2

Table 7: The expected queue length of Q_2 at the beginning of period $P \in \{V_{1a}, V_{1b}, S_{1a}, S_{1b}, V_{2a}, V_{2b}, S_{2a}, S_{2b}\}$ under exhaustive service.

and Q_2 respectively. As expected the expected queue length of Q_1 is higher (or equal) at the start of a subperiod a than the subsequent subperiod b. As, during subperiod a, the customers in Q_1 will leave the queue with probability $1-p_{11}$ to join Q_2 . Similarly, for Q_2 the expected queue length is higher (or equal) at the start of a subperiod b than the previous subperiod a. We further note that the sum of the expected queue lengths over both queues at the beginning of period a is equal to the sum of the expected queue lengths over both queues at the beginning of period b, thus we conclude that the system behaves as expected.

We can compare these results with the expected queue length at the beginning of period $P \in \{V_{1a}, V_{1b}, S_{1a}, S_{1b}, V_{2a}, V_{2b}, S_{2a}, S_{2b}\}$ under gated service seen in Table 8 and 9. We note that when $p_{11} = 0$, the expected queue length at the beginning of the periods for Q_1 is the same under exhaustive service and gated service, as all customers leave Q_1 before service. We further note that the system also behaves as expected for gated service.

During simulation vehicles will be assigned to a signal group and corresponding queue. It might only become apparent that a vehicle is in another queue, when new information on the position of the vehicle becomes available through

	V_{1a}	V_{1b}	S_{1a}	S_{1b}	V_{2a}	V_{2b}	S_{2a}	S_{2b}
$p_{11} = 1$	3	3	1	1	1.5	1.5	2.5	2.5
$p_{11} = 0.9$	2.57	2.32	0.772	0.695	1.19	1.08	2.3	2.07
$p_{11} = 0.8$	2.25	1.8	0.599	0.479	0.979	0.784	2.18	1.75
$p_{11} = 0.7$	1.98	1.39	0.462	0.323	0.823	0.576	2.11	1.48
$p_{11} = 0.6$	1.75	1.05	0.349	0.21	0.71	0.426	2.08	1.25
$p_{11} = 0.5$	1.53	0.765	0.255	0.127	0.627	0.314	2.06	1.03
$p_{11} = 0.4$	1.32	0.528	0.176	0.0704	0.57	0.228	2.05	0.821
$p_{11} = 0.3$	1.11	0.334	0.111	0.0334	0.533	0.16	2.05	0.615
$p_{11} = 0.2$	0.908	0.182	0.0606	0.0121	0.512	0.102	2.04	0.408
$p_{11} = 0.1$	0.703	0.0703	0.0234	0.00234	0.502	0.0502	2.03	0.203
$p_{11} = 0$	0.5	0	0	0	0.5	0	2	0

Table 8: The expected queue length of Q_1 at the beginning of period $P \in \{V_{1a}, V_{1b}, S_{1a}, S_{1b}, V_{2a}, V_{2b}, S_{2a}, S_{2b}\}$ under gated service.

	V_{1a}	V_{1b}	S_{1a}	S_{1b}	V_{2a}	V_{2b}	S_{2a}	S_{2b}
$p_{11} = 1$	1.5	1.5	2.5	2.5	3	3	1	1
$p_{11} = 0.9$	1.96	2.22	2.99	3.06	3.56	3.68	1.23	1.46
$p_{11} = 0.8$	2.34	2.79	3.39	3.51	4.01	4.2	1.4	1.84
$p_{11} = 0.7$	2.67	3.27	3.73	3.87	4.37	4.61	1.54	2.17
$p_{11} = 0.6$	2.98	3.68	4.03	4.17	4.67	4.95	1.65	2.48
$p_{11} = 0.5$	3.27	4.04	4.29	4.42	4.92	5.24	1.75	2.77
$p_{11} = 0.4$	3.56	4.35	4.52	4.63	5.13	5.47	1.82	3.06
$p_{11} = 0.3$	3.82	4.6	4.71	4.79	5.29	5.67	1.89	3.32
$p_{11} = 0.2$	4.07	4.8	4.86	4.91	5.41	5.82	1.94	3.57
$p_{11} = 0.1$	4.3	4.93	4.96	4.98	5.48	5.93	1.98	3.8
$p_{11} = 0$	4.5	5	5	5	5.5	6	2	4

Table 9: The expected queue length of Q_2 at the beginning of period $P \in \{V_{1a}, V_{1b}, S_{1a}, S_{1b}, V_{2a}, V_{2b}, S_{2a}, S_{2b}\}$ under gated service.

vehicles passing the detector near the stop line. As the detector may register fewer or more vehicles passing. This information only becomes available during period V_{1b} or V_{2b} . Smart Traffic will predict the traffic image and calculate the schedule based on information available prior to V_{1b} or V_{2b} . In the most extreme case $p_{11}=0$, all vehicles will leave Q_1 , and thus signal group 1, to join Q_2 , and thus signal group 2. In this case Smart Traffic will sometimes assume the presence of some vehicles at signal group 1, as the expected queue length of Q_1 is 0.5 at the start of a visit period. The schedule calculated will then assign a non-zero green time to signal group 1, whereas the optimal schedule would assign no green time to signal group 1. For situations in which p_{11} is higher than 0, but unequal to 1, this also occurs to a lesser extent and the signal may stay green longer than optimal.

In the situation posed we only consider a two-queue polling system with cyclic routing. In *Smart Traffic* the routing is not cyclic, but is determined by calculating the most optimal scheme. The lack of information or incorrect information may thus not only lead to a signal having the non-optimal green time, but also to the incorrect or non-optimal signal receiving green time.

7 Conclusion and discussion

In this thesis we presented a discrete event model to predict traffic at a signalised intersection, as a replacement of microsimulation model SUMO used in the *Forecasting* module of *Smart Traffic*. The SUMO model currently used by Sweco is not suitable for the objective of Sweco to predict traffic over a longer period of time for a network of junctions due to its slow computation speed and complexity.

The performance of the model was measured by comparing it to the microsimulation traffic flow model Vissim. We found a maximum average absolute difference in delay between our discrete event model and the Vissim model per road user of 1.5 seconds.

The accuracy of the model is determined by two main components: the arrival at queue time and the chosen parameter values. The arrival at queue time is the predicted time at which a road user arrives at the queue. It is calculated during initialisation, by dividing the maximum distance a road user is required to travel and dividing this by the maximum speed. The maximum distance a road user is required to travel is assumed to be the position of the road user minus the total length (and gaps) of the road users ahead. We considered several other options for calculating the arrival at queue time, e.g. dividing by the speed of the road user at the beginning of the simulation rather than the maximum speed and using only the position of the road user. The chosen calculation of the arrival at queue time gave the best results during simulation. However, other more accurate calculations may be available. Due to time constraints and the possibility of overfitting, as we only consider one type of junction, we did not study this further.

We use data from Vissim to determine the parameters of the model. If we were to implement our discrete event model at a real junction, these parameters will have to be determined using real-life data from the junction. Traffic may behave very differently in different countries or cities and under different circumstances, such as weather conditions. If the model is not sufficiently calibrated to the real-life situation, the difference between the calculated the delay and the real-life delay may be much larger than the average 1.5 seconds found. The current parameter values are static, however it may be beneficial to investigate methods to adapt the parameter values based on real-time feedback.

In Section 4 we discussed the results of our discrete event simulation. One of the assumptions we made was that the signal group to which a road user gets assigned is known. However, one of the challenges of *Smart Traffic* is precisely the lack of knowledge on the vehicle routing. We described and studied the effect of this lack of knowledge in Sections 5 and 6, by modelling a signalised intersection as a polling model with switching customers, and concluded that it may lead to a non-optimal schedule. Currently, the simulation in SUMO chooses the vehicle routing based on the link a road user is located at, with every outgoing link having a predetermined chance of being reached. In our discrete event model we make use of an array of probabilities. In this way the vehicle routing is an attribute of the road user, rather than an attribute of the road. This makes it possible to include additional (historic) information to determine the vehicle routing, such as previous locations of the road user and public transport timetables. Furthermore, the discrete event model presented is fast, which makes it possible to perform multiple runs and average over the

results.

The discrete event model presented in this thesis is easily extendable to include multiple junctions. Furthermore, it is less computationally expensive, more scalable and faster than SUMO, with an average runtime of maximal 1.416 seconds, and thus suitable to the objective of Sweco.

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A Appendix: Code

A.1 Discrete event simulation

A.1.1 Simulation files

The Road_User class.

```
package swecobasicmodelextended;
2
   public class Road_User {
3
       /* Integer denoting the id number of the road_user */
4
       protected int id;
5
       /\star Double denoting the arrival time of the road user \star/
       protected double arrivalTime;
       /\star Double denoting the departure time of the road user \star/
       protected double departureTime;
10
       /\star Double denoting the length of the road user \star/
11
       protected double length; //
       /\star String denoting the type of the road user \star/
12
       protected String type;
13
       /* String denoting the arrival place */
14
       protected String arrivalPlace;
15
       /★ Double denoting the postion of the road user from the
16
           stop line in meters */
       protected double position;
17
       /* Array of probabilities for determining the signal group
18
       protected double[] probabilities;
19
       /\star Double denoting the speed of the road user \star/
20
       protected double speed;
21
       /\star Double denoting the service time of the first vehicle \star/
22
       protected double serviceTimeFirstVehicle;
23
       /\star Double denoting the service time \star/
24
       protected double serviceTime;
25
       /\star Boolean indicating whether the road user has left the
26
           system */
       protected boolean leftSystem;
27
       /\star Boolean indication whether the road user is in the queue
            */
       protected boolean inQueue;
29
       /* Integer denoting the number of stops */
30
       protected int nrStops;
31
       /* Integer denoting the number in line */
32
       protected int nrInLine;
33
        /* Double denoting the desired speed of the road user (in
34
            Vissim) */
       protected double desSpeed;
       public Road_User(int id, double arrivalTime, double length,
            String type, String arrivalPlace, double position,
           double[] probabilities, double speed, double desSpeed,
           int nrInLine) {
           this.id = id;
```

```
this.arrivalTime = arrivalTime;
40
           this.departureTime = 0;
41
           this.length = length;
42
           this.type = type;
43
           this.leftSystem = false;
44
           this.inQueue = false;
45
           this.arrivalPlace = arrivalPlace;
46
           this.position = position;
47
48
           this.probabilities = probabilities;
           this.speed = speed;
49
           this.nrStops = 0;
50
           this.nrInLine = 0;
51
           this.serviceTime = 0;
52
           this.desSpeed = desSpeed;
53
           this.nrInLine = nrInLine;
54
55
       public int getId() { //Returns id number
56
           return id;
57
       public double getArrivalTime() {//Returns arrival time
59
           return arrivalTime;
60
61
       public double getDepartureTime(){ //Returns the departure
62
           time
           return departureTime;
63
64
       public double getLength() {//Returns length
65
           return length;
66
67
       public String getType(){//Returns type
69
           return type;
70
       public String getArrivalPlace() { // Returns arrivalplace
71
           return arrivalPlace;
72
73
       public double getPosition(){ // Returns position
74
           return position;
75
76
       public double[] getProb(){ // Returns probability array
77
78
           return probabilities;
79
       public double getSpeed(){ // Returns speed
80
           return speed;
81
82
       public double getServiceTime(){ // Returns the service time
83
           switch (nrInLine) {
84
                case 1:
85
                    if (null != type) switch (type) { //Determine (
86
                        residual) serviceTime based on type and
                        nrInLine
87
                        case "PASSENGER":
88
                             this.serviceTime = 1.10566;
                             break;
89
                        case "TRUCK":
90
```

```
this.serviceTime = 1.164;
91
                              break;
92
                         break;
                     }
93
                 case 2:
94
                     if (null != type) switch (type) { //Determine (
95
                         residual) serviceTime based on type and
                         nrInLine
                          case "PASSENGER":
96
                              this.serviceTime = 2.718868;
97
                              break;
98
                          case "TRUCK":
99
                              this.serviceTime = 3.845;
100
                              break;
101
                         break;
                     }
102
                 case 3:
103
                     if (null != type) switch (type) { //Determine (
104
                          residual) serviceTime based on type and
                         nrInLine
                          case "PASSENGER":
105
                              this.serviceTime = 2.10566;
106
                              break:
107
                          case "TRUCK":
108
                              this.serviceTime = 2.84;
109
                              break;
110
                     }
                          break;
111
                 case 4:
112
                     if (null != type) switch (type) { //Determine (
113
                         residual) serviceTime based on type and
                         nrInLine
                          case "PASSENGER":
114
                              this.serviceTime = 1.840566;
115
                              break;
116
                          case "TRUCK":
117
                              this.serviceTime = 2.556;
118
                              break;
119
                     }
                         break;
120
                 case 5:
121
122
                     if (null != type) switch (type) { //Determine (
                         residual) serviceTime based on type and
                         nrInLine
                          case "PASSENGER":
123
                              this.serviceTime = 1.835849;
124
                              break;
125
                          case "TRUCK":
126
                              this.serviceTime = 2.529;
127
                              break;
128
                         break;
129
                     }
                  case 6:
130
                     if (null != type) switch (type) { //Determine (
131
                         residual) serviceTime based on type and
                         nrInLine
                          case "PASSENGER":
132
                              this.serviceTime = 1.726415;
133
                              break;
134
```

```
case "TRUCK":
135
                              this.serviceTime = 2.377;
136
                              break;
137
                     }
                         break;
138
                 case 7:
139
                     if (null != type) switch (type) { //Determine (
140
                         residual) serviceTime based on type and
                          case "PASSENGER":
141
                              this.serviceTime = 1.711321;
142
                              break;
143
                          case "TRUCK":
144
                              this.serviceTime = 2.354;
145
                              break;
146
                         break;
147
                 default: //Vehicles after 7
148
                     if (null != type) switch (type) { //Determine (
149
                          residual) serviceTime based on type and
                          case "PASSENGER":
                              this.serviceTime = 1.674528;
151
                              break;
152
                          case "TRUCK":
153
                              this.serviceTime = 2.286;
154
                              break;
155
156
                          break;
157
             return serviceTime;
158
159
        public void updatePosition(double d) { // Updates position
161
            to input value
            position = d;
162
163
        public void leaveSystem(double t) { //Sets departure time to
164
             input value and set boolean leftSystem to true
            departureTime = t;
165
166
             leftSystem = true;
167
        public boolean hasLeftSystem() { // Returns leftSystem
             return leftSystem;
170
        public boolean inQueue(){ // Returns inQueue
171
            return inQueue;
172
173
        public void addStop() { // Increase nrStops by one
174
            nrStops += 1;
175
176
        public int getNrStops() { // Returns nrStops
177
178
            return nrStops;
179
        public void nrInLine(int d) { // Sets the number in line
180
            nrInLine = d;
181
182
```

```
public int getNrInLine() { // Returns the number in line
    return nrInLine;
}

public double getDesSpeed() { // Returns the desired speed
    return desSpeed;
}

public double getDesSpeed() { // Returns the desired speed
    return desSpeed;
}
```

The Signal_Group class.

```
package swecobasicmodelextended;
2
   import java.util.ArrayList;
3
4
5
   public class Signal_Group {
       /* Traffic light colours */
6
       public static final int RED = 1;
7
       public static final int AMBER = 2;
8
       public static final int GREEN = 3;
9
        /★ Double denoting the distance in meter between two road
10
            users waiting in the queue */
       public static double gap = 2;
11
       /* Integer indentifing the signal group */
12
       protected int identifier;
13
       /* Double denoting the travel time from arrival in the
14
           system to arrival at the traffic light of the signal
           group */
       protected double length;
15
16
       /* Double denoting the maximum speed on the lane associated
            with the signal group */
       protected double maxSpeed;
17
       /* Integer denoting the colour of the traffic light */
18
       protected int trafficLightColour;
19
       /* List of road users associated with signal group */
20
       protected ArrayList<Road_User> road_users;
21
       /* List of road users in the queue */
22
       protected ArrayList<Road_User> road_users_in_queue;
       /* Doubles denoting the size of the queue in meter and the
           distance (in meter) from the trafficlight to the front
           and back of the queue */
       protected double queueLengthInMeter;
25
       protected double frontOfQueue;
26
       protected double backOfOueue;
27
       /* Boolean idicating whether the signal group has a queue
28
           at initialisation */
       protected boolean hasQueue;
29
       /* Boolean idicating whether a road user has been below the
            speed boundary (departure boundary) */
       protected boolean checked;
31
32
       public Signal_Group(int identifier, double length, double
33
           maxSpeed) {
           this.identifier = identifier;
34
35
           this.length = length;
```

```
this.trafficLightColour = RED;
36
           this.road_users = new ArrayList<>();
37
           this.road_users_in_queue = new ArrayList<>();
38
           this.queueLengthInMeter = 0;
39
           this.frontOfQueue = 0;
40
           this.backOfQueue = 0;
41
           this.maxSpeed = maxSpeed;
42
           this.hasQueue = false;
43
           this.checked = false;
44
45
       }
       public int getIdentifier(){ // Returns the identifier
46
           return identifier;
47
48
       public int trafficLightColour() { //Returns the current
49
           traffic light colour
           return trafficLightColour;
50
51
       public void changeTrafficLightColour(int
           newTrafficLightColour) { //Changes the traffic light
           colour to the new traffic light colour
           trafficLightColour = newTrafficLightColour;
53
54
       public double getLength() { //Returns the travel time
55
           return length;
56
57
       public double maxSpeed() { //Returns the maximum speed on
58
           the lane
           return maxSpeed;
59
60
       public void addRoadUser(Road_User ru) {//Add road user to
           the signal groups
           road_users.add(ru);
62
63
       public int nrRoadUsers(){ // Returns the number of road
64
           users associated with the signal group
           return road_users.size();
65
66
        public Road_User getRoadUser(int i) { // Returns the i'th
67
68
           return road_users.get(i);
       public void addRoadUserToQueue(Road_User ru) { //Add road
           user to queue
           road_users_in_queue.add(ru); // Add the road user to
71
               the queue
           ru.inQueue = true; // Set inQeueu of the road user to
72
               true
           backOfQueue += ru.getLength() + gap; //Update position
73
               of the back of queue
           queueLengthInMeter += ru.getLength() + gap; //Update
74
               length of the queue
75
       public void removeRoadUserFromQueue(Road_User ru) { //
76
           Remove road user from queue
```

```
road_users_in_queue.remove(ru); //Removes the road user
77
                 from the queue
            ru.inQueue = false; // Set inQeueu of the road user to
78
                false
            frontOfQueue += ru.getLength() + gap; //Update position
79
                of the front of queue
            queueLengthInMeter -= ru.getLength() + gap;//Update
80
                length of the queue
81
        public Road_User getNextRoadUserInQueue(){// Returns the
82
           road user in front of the queue
            return road_users_in_queue.get(0);
83
        }
84
        public Road_User getRoadUserInQueue(int i){// Returns the i
85
            'th road user in the queue
            return road_users_in_queue.get(i);
86
87
        public Road_User getLastRoadUserInQueue(){// Returns the
88
           road user in front of the queue
            return road_users_in_queue.get(road_users_in_queue.size
89
                () - 1);
90
       public int queueLength() { // Returns the queue length
91
            return road_users_in_queue.size();
92
93
        public void reset(){ // Reset
94
            road_users.clear(); // Empty array with road users
95
            road_users_in_queue.clear(); // Empty array with road
96
               users in queue
            queueLengthInMeter = 0; // Set queuelength in meter to
            frontOfQueue = 0; // Set position of front of the queue
                to zero
            backOfQueue = 0; // Set position of back of the queue
99
               to zero
            hasQueue = false; // Set hasQueue to false
100
            checked = false; // Set checked to false
101
102
103
        public void resetQueue(){ // Sets the position of the back
           of the queue to the queuelength in meter and the
           position of the front of the queue to zero
            backOfQueue = queueLengthInMeter;
104
105
            frontOfQueue = 0;
        }
106
107
       public double getBackOfQueue(){ //Returns the position of
           the back of the queue
            return backOfQueue;
108
109
110
111
        public void updateQueue(double q, double 1) { // Update
           position of the front and back of the queue
112
            frontOfQueue = q;
113
           backOfQueue = q + 1;
        }
114
```

```
void hasQueue() { // Set hasQueue to true
115
            hasQueue = true;
116
117
        void checked(){ // Set checked to true
118
            checked = true;
119
120
        public boolean getHasQueue() { // Return hasQueue
121
            return hasQueue;
122
        public boolean getChecked() { // Return checked
124
            return checked;
125
126
127
128
```

The Event class.

```
package swecobasicmodelextended;
2
   public class Event {
3
       /* Events */
4
       /* Arrival and depature events */
5
       public static final int ARRIVAL_AT_QUEUE = 1;
6
       public static final int DEPARTURE_FROM_QUEUE = 2;
7
       /* Trafficlight events */
8
       public static final int TRAFFICLIGHT_TO_RED = 3;
9
       public static final int TRAFFICLIGHT_TO_AMBER = 4;
10
       public static final int TRAFFICLIGHT_TO_GREEN = 5;
12
       /* Stop simulation event */
       public static final int STOP_SIMULATION = 6;
13
       /* Register result event */
14
       public static final int REGISTER_RESULTS = 7;
15
16
       /* Event type */
17
       protected int type;
18
       /* Event time */
19
       protected double time;
20
       /* Signal group associated with event*/
       protected Signal_Group signal_group;
22
       /* Road user associated with event*/
23
       protected Road_User road_user;
24
25
26
       public Event(int type, double time, Signal_Group
27
           signal_group, Road_User road_user) {
           this.type = type;
28
           this.time = time;
29
           this.signal_group = signal_group;
           this.road_user = road_user;
       public int getType() {//Returns type
33
           return type;
34
35
       public double getTime() {//Returns time
36
37
           return time;
```

The FES class.

```
package swecobasicmodelextended;
2
   import java.util.ArrayList;
3
   // Future event set
   public class FES {
       /* ArrayList of events */
       protected ArrayList<Event> events;
9
       public FES() {
10
           events = new ArrayList<Event>();
11
12
13
       public void addEvent(Event newEvent) { //Add event to
14
           arrayList of events
15
       int insertIndex = 0;
16
       while (insertIndex < events.size()) {</pre>
17
         Event e = events.get(insertIndex);
         if (e.getTime() > newEvent.getTime()) break;
         insertIndex++;
19
20
       events.add(insertIndex, newEvent);
21
22
     public Event nextEvent() { //Returns first event (in time)
23
       return events.remove(0);
24
25
26
```

The SimResults class.

```
package swecobasicmodelextended;

public class SimResults {
    /* Performance measures per signal group */
    protected double[] sumS; // sum of the sojourn times
    protected double[] totalDelay; // sum of total delay
    protected double[] totalSquaredDelay; // sum of total
        squared delay
    protected int[] nrTotalStops; // sum of the total number of
        stops
```

```
protected double totalCompare; // Total comparison of delay
10
            (between our model and vissim model)
       protected double totalPosCompare; // Total comparison of
11
           absolute delay (between our model and vissim model)
12
       protected double[] totDelayPTS; // Total comparison of
13
           delay (between our model and vissim model) per timestamp
       protected double[] totPosDelayPTS; // Total comparison of
14
           absolute delay (between our model and vissim model) per
           timestamp
15
       protected double totalComparePerRU; // Total comparison of
16
           delay (between our model and vissim model) per road user
       protected double totalAbsoluteComparePerRU; // Total
17
           comparison of absolute delay (between our model and
           vissim model) per road user
18
       protected double averageDepTime; // Average departure time
19
       protected double nrRu; // Number of road users
20
21
       public SimResults(int nrSignalGroups) {
22
           this.sumS = new double[nrSignalGroups+1] ;
23
           this.totalDelay = new double[nrSignalGroups+1];
24
           this.totalSquaredDelay = new double[nrSignalGroups+1];
25
           this.nrTotalStops = new int[nrSignalGroups+1];
26
27
           this.totalCompare = 0;
           this.totalPosCompare = 0;
28
           this.totDelayPTS = new double[26];
29
           this.totPosDelayPTS = new double[26];
30
           this.totalComparePerRU = 0;
           this.totalAbsoluteComparePerRU = 0;
32
           this.averageDepTime = 0;
33
           this.nrRu = 0;
34
35
       void registerSojournTime(double sojournTime, Signal_Group
36
           sg) { //Registers the sojourn time
           sumS[sg.getIdentifier()] += sojournTime;
37
38
39
       void registerDelay(double delay, Signal_Group sg) { //
           Registers the total delay and total squared delay
           totalDelay[sg.getIdentifier()] += delay;
40
           totalSquaredDelay[sg.getIdentifier()] += delay*delay;
41
42
       void registerNrStops(int nrStops, Signal_Group sg) { //
43
           Registers the total number of stops
           nrTotalStops[sg.getIdentifier()] += nrStops;
44
       }
45
       public double[] getSojournTime(){//Returns sojourn time
46
           return sumS;
47
48
49
       public double[] getTotalDelay(){//Returns total delay
50
           return totalDelay;
51
       public double[] getTotalSquaredDelay(){//Returns total
```

```
squared delay
           return totalSquaredDelay;
53
54
       public int[] getTotalNrStops() { //Returns the total number
55
           of stops
           return nrTotalStops;
56
57
       void registerAbsoluteComparison(double tpc) {// Register
58
           total comparison of absolute delay (between our model
           and vissim model)
          totalPosCompare = tpc;
59
60
       }
       void registerComparison(double tc) {// Register total
61
           comparison of delay (between our model and vissim model)
          totalCompare = tc;
62
63
       public double getTotalComparision() { // Get total
64
           comparison of delay (between our model and vissim model)
           return totalCompare;
       public double getTotalPosComparision() { // Get total
           comparison of absolute delay (between our model and
           vissim model)
           return totalPosCompare;
68
69
       void registerComparisonPerTimestamp(int f, double
70
           compareTotalDelay) { // Register total comparison of
           delay (between our model and vissim model) per timestamp
           totDelayPTS[f] = compareTotalDelay;
71
72
       public double[] getTotDelayPTS(){ // Get total comparison
           of delay (between our model and vissim model) per
           timestamp
           return totDelayPTS;
74
75
       void registerAbsoluteComparisonPerTimestamp(int f, double
76
           compareTotalPosDelay) { // Register total absolute
           comparison of delay (between our model and vissim model)
            per timestamp
77
           totPosDelayPTS[f] = compareTotalPosDelay;
78
       public double[] getTotPosDelayPTS(){ // Get total absolute
79
           comparison of delay (between our model and vissim model)
            per timestamp
           return totPosDelayPTS;
80
81
82
       void registerComparisonPerRU(double compareTotalFinalDelay,
83
            int nrRU) { // Register total comparison of delay (
           between our model and vissim model) per road user
84
          totalComparePerRU = compareTotalFinalDelay / nrRU;
85
       }
       public double getComparisonPerRU() { // Get total comparison
86
            of delay (between our model and vissim model) per road
```

```
user
            return totalComparePerRU;
87
        }
88
       void registerAbsoluteComparisonPerRU(double
89
           compareTotalFinalAbsoluteDelay, int nrRU) { // Register
           total comparison of absolute delay (between our model and
            vissim model) per road user
           totalAbsoluteComparePerRU =
90
               compareTotalFinalAbsoluteDelay / nrRU;
91
        }
        public double getAbsoluteComparisonPerRU() { // Get total
92
            comparison of absolute delay (between our model and
            vissim model) per road user
            return totalAbsoluteComparePerRU;
93
94
95
        void registerAverageDepTime(double depTime) { // Register
96
            average departure time
            averageDepTime = depTime;
97
        public double getAverageDepTime () { // Get average
            departure time
            return averageDepTime;
100
101
102
        void registerNrRU(double nrRU) { // Register number of road
103
            nrRu = nrRU;
104
105
        public double getNrRu(){ // Get number of road users
107
            return nrRu;
108
        }
109
110
```

The Sim class.

```
package swecobasicmodelextended;
2
   import java.io.File;
3
   import java.io.FileNotFoundException;
4
   import java.io.PrintWriter;
   import java.util.*;
   import java.util.Map.Entry;
9
10
    * @author Imke Vromans
11
   public class Sim {
13
14
       public SimResults simulate(double startTime, double maxTime
15
           , int nrTimestamps, Map<String, List<Integer>> junction,
           Map<Integer, List<Signal_Group>> sgMap, String module,
           String road_users, Map<Integer, Double> finalDelayMap,
```

```
Map<Integer, Map<Double, Double>> delayMap) throws
           FileNotFoundException {
           PrintWriter pw = new PrintWriter(new File("Output.txt")
16
               ); // Write output to file
17
           FES fes = new FES(); // Create new future event set
18
           int nrSignalGroups = sgMap.size(); // Total number of
19
               signal groups
           SimResults results = new SimResults(nrSignalGroups); //
                Create new simresults
21
           // Initialize traffic light colour and create
22
               trafficLight events
           importTrafficLightEvents(startTime, fes, sgMap, module)
23
24
           // Import all road users
25
           importRoadUsers(startTime, fes, junction, sgMap,
               road_users);
27
           double t = startTime; // Initialize time
28
29
           // The current output file from SUMO has for all
30
               signalgroups the vehicles and the delay and stops at
                timeStamps t=0 to t=25;
           // So to store the output in the same way we need to
31
               register the delay at every time stamp, for this we
               create an event REGISTER_RESULTS
           int f = 0;
32
           for (int i = 0; i < nrTimestamps; i++) {</pre>
               Event RegisterResults = new Event(Event.
                   REGISTER_RESULTS, startTime + i, null, null);
               fes.addEvent (RegisterResults);
35
           }
36
37
           // Schedule the stop simulation event
38
           // (this event prevents the simulation from continuing
39
               beyond the desired time horizon and prevents the
               program from ending due to an empty FES)
           Event StopSimulation = new Event (Event.STOP_SIMULATION,
40
                maxTime, null, null);
41
           fes.addEvent(StopSimulation);
42
           // Start simulation loop
43
           while (t < maxTime) {</pre>
44
               Event e = fes.nextEvent();// Get the next event
45
               t = e.getTime();// Update the time
46
47
               switch (e.getType()) {
48
49
                    case Event.ARRIVAL_AT_QUEUE: {
                        Signal_Group sg = e.getSignalGroup();// Get
                             signal group associated with event
                        Road_User ru = e.getRoadUser(); // Get the
51
                            road user
```

```
if (((sg.trafficLightColour() ==
52
                           Signal_Group.GREEN || (sg.
                           trafficLightColour() == Signal_Group.
                           AMBER)) && sg.queueLength() == 0)) {//
                           If the traffic light is green or amber
                           and there are no road users in the queue
                           : Directly drive through (do not add
                           road user to queue)
                            ru.leaveSystem(t); //Registers
                               departure time
                        } else if (sg.trafficLightColour() ==
54
                           Signal_Group.RED && sg.queueLength() ==
                           0) { //If the traffic light is red and
                           there isnt a queue
                            ru.updatePosition(0); // Update current
55
                                position of road user
                            ru.nrInLine(1); // Update the position
56
                               of the road user in nr of vehicles
                               in line
                            sg.addRoadUserToQueue(ru);// Add road
                               user to queue
                            ru.addStop(); // Add stop
58
                       } else { // If the traffic light is red and
59
                            there is a queue
                            ru.updatePosition(sg.getBackOfQueue());
60
                                // Update current position of road
                            Road_User priorRU = sg.
61
                               getLastRoadUserInQueue(); // Get
                               last road user in queue
                            ru.nrInLine(priorRU.nrInLine + 1); //
62
                               Update the position of the road user
                                in nr of vehicles in line
                            sg.addRoadUserToQueue(ru); // Add road
63
                               user to queue
                           ru.addStop(); //Add stop
64
65
66
                       break;
67
                   case Event.DEPARTURE_FROM_QUEUE: {
                       Signal_Group sg = e.getSignalGroup();
70
                           Get signal group associated with event
                       if ((sg.trafficLightColour() ==
71
                           Signal_Group.GREEN) || (sg.
                           trafficLightColour() == Signal_Group.
                           AMBER)) { //If the traffic light is
                           green or amber:
                           Road_User ru = e.getRoadUser(); // Get
72
                               the road user
73
                            sg.removeRoadUserFromQueue(ru);//
                               Remove road user from the queue
74
                            ru.leaveSystem(t); //Registers
                               departure time
```

```
if (sg.queueLength() > 0) {
75
                                 //If there are still road users in
76
                                     the queue:
                                  Road_User nextRu = sq.
77
                                      getNextRoadUserInQueue(); //
                                      Get next road user in the queue
                                 //Schedule departure for next road
78
                                 Event newDepartureFromQueue = new
79
                                     Event (Event.DEPARTURE_FROM_QUEUE
                                     , t + nextRu.getServiceTime(),
                                     sg, nextRu);
                                 fes.addEvent (newDepartureFromQueue)
80
                             } else {
81
                                 sg.resetQueue(); //Else if
82
                                     queueLength = 0, then the front
                                     and back of the queue get set to
                                     0 again
                        } else { // If the traffic light is red
84
                             //Add extra stop to all road users in
85
                                queue, since the traffic light will
                                have turned red before they could
                                pass the intersection
                             int position = 0;
86
                             for (int i = 0; i < sg.queueLength(); i</pre>
87
                                ++) {
                                 Road_User ru_i_q = sg.
88
                                     getRoadUserInQueue(i); // Get i'
                                     th road user in the queue
                                 ru_i_q.updatePosition(position); //
89
                                      Update position of road user
                                 ru_i_q.nrInLine(i + 1); // Update
90
                                     the position of the road user in
                                     nr of vehicles in line
                                 ru_i_q.addStop(); // Add stop
91
92
                                 position += ru_i_q.getLength() +
                                     Signal_Group.gap; // Update
                                     value of position to be used for
                                      road user in queue
94
                        break;
95
                    }
96
97
                    case Event.TRAFFICLIGHT_TO_RED: {
98
                        Signal_Group sg = e.getSignalGroup(); //
99
                            Get signal group associated with event
100
                        // Change traffic light to red for signal
                            group associated with event
101
                        sg.changeTrafficLightColour(Signal_Group.
                            RED);
                        sg.resetQueue(); // Reset the position of
102
```

```
the front and back of queue
                         break;
103
                     }
104
105
                     case Event.TRAFFICLIGHT_TO_AMBER: {
106
                         Signal_Group sg = e.getSignalGroup(); //
107
                             Get signal group associated with event
                         // Change traffic light to amber for signal
108
                              group associated with event
                         sg.changeTrafficLightColour(Signal_Group.
109
                             AMBER);
                         break;
110
                     }
111
112
                     case Event.TRAFFICLIGHT_TO_GREEN: {
113
                         Signal_Group sg = e.getSignalGroup(); //
114
                             Get signal group associated with event
                         //Change traffic light to red for signal
115
                             group associated with event
                         sg.changeTrafficLightColour(Signal_Group.
116
                             GREEN);
                         if (sg.queueLength() > 0) { // If there are
117
                              road users waiting in the queue in
                             front of the trafficlight
                             Road_User nextRu = sq.
118
                                 getNextRoadUserInQueue(); // Get the
                                  first road user in the queue (the
                                 road user in front of the queue)
                             //Schedule a departure from queue event
119
                                  for this road user
                             Event newDepartureFromQueue = new Event
120
                                 (Event.DEPARTURE_FROM_QUEUE, t +
                                 nextRu.getServiceTime(), sg, nextRu)
                             fes.addEvent (newDepartureFromQueue);
121
122
                         break;
123
124
125
                     case Event.REGISTER_RESULTS:
                         double compareTotalDelay = 0;
                         double compareTotalAbsoluteDelay = 0;
127
128
                         pw.println("Timestamp " + (t-startTime));
129
                         for (Entry<Integer, List<Signal_Group>>
130
                             entry : sgMap.entrySet()) { // For every
                              signal group
                             List<Signal_Group> sqList = entry.
131
                                 getValue();
                             pw.println("Signal group " + entry.
132
                                 getKey());
133
                             for (Signal_Group sg : sgList) {
134
                                 for (int k = 0; k < sg.nrRoadUsers</pre>
                                     (); k++) { // For every road
                                     user in the signal group
```

```
Road_User ru = sg.getRoadUser(k
135
                                         ); //Get the road user
                                     double delay;
136
                                     double sojournTime;
137
                                     double minTravelTime;
138
                                     if (ru.hasLeftSystem()) { // If
139
                                          the road user has left the
                                         system
                                         sojournTime = ru.
140
                                             getDepartureTime() - ru.
                                             getArrivalTime(); //
                                             Calculate sojourn time
                                         minTravelTime = sg.
141
                                             getLength() / ru.
                                             getDesSpeed(); //
                                             Calculate minimum travel
                                              time based on the total
                                              length of the lane
                                         delay = Math.max(0,
142
                                             sojournTime -
                                             minTravelTime); //
                                             Calculate delay
                                     } else { // If the road user is
143
                                          still in the system
                                         //Calculate delay using
144
                                             time t
                                          if (ru.inQueue()) { // If
145
                                             the road user is in the
                                             queue
                                              sojournTime = t - ru.
146
                                                 getArrivalTime(); //
                                                  Calculate sojourn
                                                  time
                                              minTravelTime = (sg.
147
                                                 getLength() - ru.
                                                  getPosition()) / ru.
                                                  getDesSpeed();///
                                                  Calculate minimum
                                                  travel time
                                              delay = Math.max(0,
148
                                                 sojournTime -
                                                 minTravelTime); //
                                                 Calculate delay
                                          } else { // If the road
149
                                             user is not in the queue
                                              // Separate into two
150
                                                 sections, from the
                                                  arrival time to the
                                                  start time and from
                                                  the start time to
                                                 the current time
151
                                              // The delay from the
                                                 arrival time to the
                                                  start time is known
```

	exactly
.52	<pre>double sojournTimeATS =</pre>
	startTime - ru.
	<pre>getArrivalTime(); /</pre>
	Calculate sojourn
	time from arrival to
	start
.53	double distanceFromATS
	= sq.qetLength() -
	ru.getPosition(); /
	Calculate distance
	from arrival to
	start
.54	double minTravelTimeATS
	= distanceFromATS/
	ru.getDesSpeed(); /
	Calculate minimum
	travel time from
	arrival to start
.55	<pre>double delayATS =</pre>
	sojournTimeATS -
	minTravelTimeATS; /
	Calculate delay
	from arrival to
	start
.56	// Calculate delay from
.56	start time to
	current time
.57	double sojournTimeSTC =
.57	t - startTime; //
	Calculate sojourn
	time start to t
	double distanceFromSTC
.58	= sojournTimeSTC *
	ru.getSpeed(); //
	Estimate the
	distance the vehicle
	has travelled from
	start to t
.59	double minTravelTimeSTC
.39	= distanceFromSTC
	ru.getDesSpeed();
	// Calculate minimum
	travel time from
	start to t
.60	double delaySTC =
.60	-
	<pre>sojournTimeSTC - minTravelTimeSTC; /</pre>
	Calculate delay from start to t
.61	//Calculate total delay
.62	delay = Math.max(0,
	delayATS + delaySTC
	;

```
163
                                     }
164
                                     double compareDelay = delay -
165
                                         delayMap.get(ru.getId()).get
                                         (t); // Compare calculated
                                         delay to vissim delay
                                     double compareAbsoluteDelay =
166
                                         Math.abs(compareDelay); //
                                         Compare calculated delay to
                                         vissim delay in absolute
                                         difference
                                     compareTotalDelay =
167
                                         compareTotalDelay +
                                         compareDelay; // Sum the
                                         difference between
                                         calculated delay and vissim
                                     compareTotalAbsoluteDelay =
                                         compareTotalAbsoluteDelay +
                                         compareAbsoluteDelay; // Sum
                                          the absolute difference
                                         between calculated delay and
                                          vissim delay
                                     //Write delay and nrStops to
169
                                         output file
                                     pw.println("Road user " + ru.
170
                                         getId() + " Delay " + delay
                                         + " NrStops " + ru.
                                         getNrStops());
                             }
172
173
174
                         // Register the total differences between
175
                            calculated delay and vissim delay
                         results.registerComparisonPerTimestamp(f,
176
                            compareTotalDelay);
                         results.
177
                            registerAbsoluteComparisonPerTimestamp(f
                              compareTotalAbsoluteDelay);
179
                         pw.println();
                         default:
180
181
                        break;
182
183
184
185
            pw.close();
186
187
            // After simulation calculate the final delay (after
                all vehicles have left the system)
            double compareTotalFinalDelay = 0; // Compare
189
                difference between calculated delay and vissim delay
```

```
after all vehicle have left the system
            double compareTotalFinalAbsoluteDelay = 0; // Compare
190
                absolute difference between calculated delay and
                vissim delay after all vehicle have left the system
191
            int nrRU = 0; // Number of road users
192
            double depTime = 0; // Departure time
193
194
            for (Entry<Integer, List<Signal_Group>> entry : sgMap.
                entrySet()) { // For every signal group
                List<Signal_Group> sgList = entry.getValue();
196
                for (Signal_Group sg : sgList) {
197
                    int nrRUinSG = sg.nrRoadUsers();
198
                    for (int k = 0; k < sg.nrRoadUsers(); k++) { //
199
                         For every road user in the signal group
                        Road_User ru = sg.getRoadUser(k); // get
200
                            the road user
                        double sojournTime = ru.getDepartureTime()
                            - ru.getArrivalTime(); // Calculate
                            sojourn time
                        double minTT = sg.getLength() / ru.
202
                            getDesSpeed(); // Calculate the minimum
                            travel time
                        double delay = Math.max(0, sojournTime -
203
                            minTT); // Calculate the delay
204
                        // Register performance measures
205
                        //results.registerSojournTime(sojournTime,
206
                            sg); // register sojourntime
207
                        //results.registerDelay(delay, sg); //
                            register delay
                        //results.registerNrStops(ru.getNrStops(),
208
                            sg); // register number of stops
209
                        // Register difference with Vissim
210
                        double compareDelay = delay - finalDelayMap
211
                            .get(ru.getId()); // Compare difference
                            between calculated delay and vissim
                        double compareAbsoluteDelay = Math.abs(
212
                            delay - finalDelayMap.get(ru.getId()));
                             // Compare absolute difference between
                            calculated delay and vissim delay
                        compareTotalFinalDelay =
213
                            compareTotalFinalDelay + compareDelay;
                            // Sum the difference between calculated
                             delay and vissim delay
                        compareTotalFinalAbsoluteDelay =
214
                            compareTotalFinalAbsoluteDelay +
                            compareAbsoluteDelay; // Sum the
                            absolute difference between calculated
                            delay and vissim delay
215
                        depTime += ru.getDepartureTime()-startTime;
216
```

```
// Calculate departure time
217
218
                     nrRU = nrRU + nrRUinSG; // Calculate total
219
                         number of road users
                 }
220
221
             // Register results
222
            results.registerAverageDepTime(depTime/nrRU);
            results.registerNrRU(nrRU);
^{224}
225
            results.registerComparisonPerRU(compareTotalFinalDelay,
226
                 nrRU);
            results.registerAbsoluteComparisonPerRU(
227
                compareTotalFinalAbsoluteDelay, nrRU);
228
            results.registerComparison(compareTotalFinalDelay);
229
            results.registerAbsoluteComparison(
                compareTotalFinalAbsoluteDelay);
231
232
            return results;
        }
233
234
        public void importRoadUsers(double startTime, FES fes, Map<</pre>
235
            String, List<Integer>> junction, Map<Integer, List<
            Signal_Group>> sgMap, String road_users) {
            // NOTE: the road users need to be in order from
236
                closest to trafficlight to furtherst from traffic
             // (This is necessary since the queue length needs to
                be known before we can schedule arrival at queue
                events )
238
            int ru_id;
             //Read road users from file
239
            try (Scanner sc = new Scanner(new File(road_users))) {
240
                 sc.useLocale(Locale.US);
241
                 while (sc.hasNextLine()) {
242
243
                     if (sc.hasNextInt()) {
                         ru_id = sc.nextInt();
                     } else {
                         break;
247
                     double arrivalTime = sc.nextDouble();
248
                     double length = sc.nextDouble();
249
                     String type = sc.next();
250
                     String arrivalPlace = sc.next();
251
                     double position = sc.nextDouble();
252
                     String a = sc.next();
253
                     String[] ar = a.split(";");
254
                     double[] prob = new double[ar.length];
256
                     for (int i = 0; i < ar.length; i++) {</pre>
257
                         prob[i] = Double.parseDouble(ar[i]);
258
                     double speed = sc.nextDouble();
259
```

```
double desSpeed = sc.nextDouble();
260
                     int nrInLine = sc.nextInt();
261
262
                     // Create road user
263
                     Road_User ru = new Road_User(ru_id, arrivalTime
264
                        , length, type, arrivalPlace, position, prob
                         , speed, desSpeed, nrInLine);
265
                     //Determine signal group based on arrivalPlace
                        and probabilities
                     Signal_Group sg = determineSignalGroup(junction
267
                         , sgMap, arrivalPlace, prob);
                     // Add road user to the signal group it belongs
268
                         to
                     sq.addRoadUser(ru);
269
270
                     if (speed < 2.777) { //If any of the vehicles
271
                        have speed less than 10km/h, we assume there
                         is a queue
                         sg.hasQueue();
272
273
274
                sc.close();
275
            } catch (FileNotFoundException e) {
276
                System.out.println("The road_users file " +
277
                    road_users + " could not be found");
278
279
            for (Entry<Integer, List<Signal_Group>> entry : sgMap.
280
                entrySet()) { //For every signal group
                List<Signal_Group> sgList = entry.getValue();
281
                for (Signal_Group sg : sgList) {
                     if (sg.getHasQueue()) { // If the signal group
283
                        has a queue
                         Road_User ru = sg.getRoadUser(0); // Get
284
                             the first road user
                         sg.updateQueue(ru.getPosition(), ru.
285
                             getLength());// Update position of the
                         sg.addRoadUserToQueue(ru); //Add user to
                             the queue
                         ru.addStop(); //Add stop
287
288
                         if (ru.getSpeed() < 2.777){</pre>
                             sg.checked();
289
290
                         // If the signal group is green then a
291
                             schedule departure from queue event for
                             this road user
                         if (sg.trafficLightColour() == Signal_Group
292
                             .GREEN) {
                             Event newDepartureFromQueue = new Event
                                 (Event.DEPARTURE_FROM_QUEUE,
                                 startTime, sg, ru);
                             fes.addEvent (newDepartureFromQueue);
294
```

```
295
                         // For all other road users
296
                         double lengthOfRu = ru.getLength() +
297
                             Signal_Group.gap;
                         for (int i = 1; i < sq.nrRoadUsers(); i++)</pre>
298
                             Road_User nextRu = sg.getRoadUser(i);
299
                                 // Get the road user
                             lengthOfRu += nextRu.getLength() +
                                 Signal_Group.gap;
                             if (!sg.getChecked() || nextRu.getSpeed
301
                                 () < 1.388) { //Put them in queue if
                                  they are in the queue according to
                                 the speedboundaries
                                if (nextRu.getSpeed() < 2.777) {</pre>
302
                                      sg.checked();
303
304
                                 sg.addRoadUserToQueue(nextRu); //
305
                                     Add road user to the queue
                                 nextRu.nrInLine(ru.getNrInLine() +
                                     i); // Update nrInLine
                                 nextRu.addStop(); //Add stop
307
                             } else { //Else schedule arrivals
308
                                 double arrivalAtQueueTime = (nextRu
309
                                     .getPosition() - lengthOfRu) /
                                     sq.maxSpeed(); // Calculate
                                     arrival at queue time
                                  //Schedule arrival event for this
310
                                 Event newArrivalAtQueue = new Event
                                     (Event.ARRIVAL_AT_QUEUE,
                                     startTime + arrivalAtQueueTime,
                                     sg, nextRu);
                                 fes.addEvent (newArrivalAtQueue);
312
                             }
313
314
                         }
315
                     } else { // If there isnt a queue schedule
316
                         arrival events for all road users in the sg
317
                         double lengthOfRu = 0;
                         for (int i = 0; i < sg.nrRoadUsers(); i++)</pre>
                             Road_User ru = sg.getRoadUser(i); //
319
                                Get the road user
                             lengthOfRu = ru.getLength() + sg.gap;
320
                             double arrivalAtQueueTime = (ru.
321
                                 getPosition() - lengthOfRu) / sq.
                                 maxSpeed(); // Calculate arrival at
                                 queue time
322
                             //Schedule arrival event for this road
                                 user
323
                             Event newArrivalAtQueue = new Event(
                                 Event.ARRIVAL_AT_QUEUE, startTime +
                                 arrivalAtQueueTime, sg, ru);
```

```
fes.addEvent (newArrivalAtQueue);
324
                         }
325
                     }
326
                }
327
            }
328
329
330
        public Signal_Group determineSignalGroup(Map<String, List<</pre>
331
            Integer>> junction, Map<Integer, List<Signal_Group>>
            sgMap, String arrivalPlace, double[] prob) {
            Random rng = new Random(); //Random number generator
332
            Signal_Group sg = null; //Initialize sg with dummy
333
334
            double U = rng.nextDouble();
335
            for (int i = 0; i < prob.length; i++) {</pre>
336
                 if (U < prob[i]) { // If U is less than the</pre>
337
                     probability then go to that signalgroup
                     int id = junction.get(arrivalPlace).get(i); //
338
                         Get the identity number of the signal group
                     List<Signal_Group> sgList = sgMap.get(id); //
                         Get all signal groups with this identity
                     sg = sgList.get(0); // Set sg to the first
340
                         signal group with this identity number
                     int ql = sg.nrRoadUsers(); // Get the queue
341
                         length of this signal group sq
                     for (int j = 1; j < sgList.size(); j++) { //</pre>
342
                         For all signal groups with the same identity
                         Signal_Group newSG = sgList.get(j); //
                             Compare the queue length
                         int newQL = newSG.nrRoadUsers();
344
                         if (newQL < ql) { //If the queuelength is
345
                             smaller then set sg to this signal group
                              sq = newSG;
346
                              ql = newQL;
347
348
349
350
                     break;
352
353
354
            return sg;
        }
355
356
        public void importTrafficLightEvents(double startTime, FES
357
            fes, Map<Integer, List<Signal_Group>> sgMap, String
            module) {
            double simSec;
358
359
360
            //Import traffic light events
361
            try (Scanner sc = new Scanner(new File(module))) {
                 sc.useLocale(Locale.US);
362
                 while (sc.hasNextLine()) {
363
```

```
if (sc.hasNextDouble()) {
364
                         simSec = sc.nextDouble();
365
                     } else {
366
                         break;
367
368
                     int sg_id = sc.nextInt();
369
                     String colour = sc.next();
370
                     if (simSec <= startTime) { //Initialize</pre>
371
                         trafficLights
                         List<Signal_Group> sgList = sgMap.get(sg_id
372
                             ); // Get all signal groups with the
                             same identity number
                         for (Signal_Group sg : sgList) { //
373
                             Initialize traffic light colours for all
                              signal groups
                              switch (colour) {
374
                                  case "green":
375
                                      sg.changeTrafficLightColour(
                                          Signal_Group.GREEN);
377
                                      break;
                                  case "amber":
378
                                      sg.changeTrafficLightColour(
379
                                          Signal_Group.AMBER);
                                      break;
380
                                  case "red":
381
                                      sq.changeTrafficLightColour(
382
                                          Signal_Group.RED);
                                      break;
383
384
                     } else { //Schedule trafficLight events
386
                         List<Signal_Group> sgList = sgMap.get(sg_id
                             ); // Get all signal groups with the
                             same identity number
                         for (Signal_Group sg : sgList) { //Schedule
388
                              traffic light events for all these
                             signal groups
389
                              switch (colour) {
                                  case "green":
                                      Event newTrafficEventGreen =
                                          new Event (Event.
                                          TRAFFICLIGHT_TO_GREEN,
                                          simSec, sg, null);
                                      fes.addEvent(
392
                                          newTrafficEventGreen);
                                      break;
393
                                  case "amber":
394
                                      Event newTrafficEventAmber =
395
                                          new Event (Event.
                                          TRAFFICLIGHT_TO_AMBER,
                                          simSec, sg, null);
396
                                      fes.addEvent(
                                          newTrafficEventAmber);
                                      break;
397
```

```
case "red":
398
                                      Event newTrafficEventRed = new
399
                                         Event (Event.
                                         TRAFFICLIGHT_TO_RED, simSec,
                                          sg, null);
                                      fes.addEvent(newTrafficEventRed
400
                                     break;
401
402
403
                         }
404
                    }
                 }
405
                sc.close();
406
            } catch (FileNotFoundException e) {
407
                System.out.println("The module file " + module + "
408
                    could not be found");
409
410
411
        public static void main(String[] args) throws
412
            FileNotFoundException {
            //long start = System.nanoTime();
413
414
            double maxTime = 600; // Maximum time of simulation
415
            int nrTimestamps = 26; // Number of time steps
416
            int nrSnapshots = 100; // Number of snapshots
417
418
            //Read the junction structure from input file
419
            String junction_structure = "Junction_Structure.txt";
420
            Map<String, List<Integer>> junction = new HashMap<>();
                //Maps the arrival place (string) to a list of the
                identifiers of possible signal group (which can be
                reached from this arrival place)
            Map<Integer, List<Signal_Group>> sgMap = new HashMap
422
                <>(); //Maps the identifier of the signal group to a
                 list of signal (sub)groups
423
            // Create junction
            try (Scanner sc = new Scanner(new File(
                junction_structure))) {
                sc.useLocale(Locale.US);
                while (sc.hasNextLine()) {
427
                    String arrivalPlace = sc.next();
428
                    List<Integer> list = new ArrayList<>(); //List
429
                        with identifiers available from arrivalPlace
                    while (sc.hasNextInt()) {
430
                         List<Signal_Group> listSG = new ArrayList
431
                             <>(); //List of signal (sub)groups
                         //Read from file: int identifier, double
432
                             travelTime, double maxSpeed, int
                             trafficLightColour and nrLanes
433
                         int id = sc.nextInt();
                         double length = sc.nextDouble();
434
                         double maxSpeed = sc.nextDouble();
435
```

```
int nrLanes = sc.nextInt();
436
                         // Create signal (sub)groups
437
                         for (int j = 0; j < nrLanes; j++) { //</pre>
438
                             Create a signal (sub)group for each lane
                             Signal_Group sg = new Signal_Group(id,
439
                                 length, maxSpeed); //Create signal (
                                 sub) group
                             listSG.add(sg); //Add these to the list
440
                                  of signal (sub)groups
441
                         list.add(id); // Add id to the list of
442
                             identifiers available from arrivalPlace
                         sgMap.put(id, listSG); //Map id to the
443
                             signal (sub) groups
444
                     junction.put(arrivalPlace, list); //Map
445
                        arrivalPlace to the list of identifiers
                        available from arrivalPlace
                sc.close();
            } catch (FileNotFoundException e) {
448
                System.out.println("The junction file " +
449
                    junction_structure + " could not be found");
            }
450
451
            // Create arrays to store difference between calculated
452
                 delay and Vissim delay
            double[] compareDelay = new double[nrSnapshots];
453
            double[] compareAbsoluteDelay = new double[nrSnapshots
454
                ];
            double[][] compareDelayPTS = new double[nrSnapshots][
455
                nrTimestamps];
            double[] compareTotalDelayPTS = new double[nrTimestamps
456
                ];
            double[][] compareAbsoluteDelayPTS = new double[
457
                nrSnapshots][nrTimestamps];
            double[] compareAbsoluteTotalDelayPTS = new double[
458
                nrTimestamps];
459
            double[] compareTotalDelayPTSperRu = new double[
                nrTimestamps];
            double[] compareAbsoluteTotalDelayPTSperRu = new double
461
                [nrTimestamps];
462
            double[] comparePerRU = new double[nrSnapshots];
463
            double[] compareAbsolutePerRU = new double[nrSnapshots
464
                ];
465
            double[] averageDepTime = new double[nrSnapshots];
466
467
            double[] nrRu = new double[nrSnapshots];
469
            // Run for every snapshot
470
            for (int z = 1; z < (nrSnapshots + 1); z++) {
                String format = String.format("%03d", z);
471
```

```
472
                String simSec = "simSec" + format + ".txt";
473
                String module = "Module" + format + ".txt";
474
                String road_users = "Roadusers" + format + ".txt";
475
476
                String finalDelay = "FinalDelay" + format + ".txt";
477
                String delays = "Delay" + format + ".txt";
478
479
                // Read simSec file
                double startTime;
481
                try (Scanner sc = new Scanner(new File(simSec))) {
482
                     sc.useLocale(Locale.US);
483
                     startTime = sc.nextDouble();
484
                 }
485
486
                 // Read FinalDelay file
487
                 // Create map to compare Vissim final delay to
488
                    simulated final delay (after all vehicles have
                    left the system)
                Map<Integer, Double> finalDelayMap = new HashMap
                    <>(); // Maps the identifier of the road user to
                     the delay
                try (Scanner sc = new Scanner(new File(finalDelay))
490
                    ) {
                     sc.useLocale(Locale.US);
491
492
                     int ru_id;
                     while (sc.hasNextLine()) {
493
                         if (sc.hasNextInt()) {
494
                             ru_id = sc.nextInt();
495
                         } else {
497
                             break;
                         double delayVis = sc.nextDouble();
499
                         finalDelayMap.put(ru_id, delayVis);
500
501
                     sc.close();
502
                 } catch (FileNotFoundException e) {
503
                     System.out.println("The file with final delay "
504
                         + finalDelay + " could not be found");
                 // Read Delay file
                 // Create map to compare Vissim delay to simulated
508
                    delay at every timestamp
                Map<Integer, Map<Double, Double>> delaysMap = new
509
                    HashMap<> (); //Maps the identifier of the road
                    user to the delay
                try (Scanner sc = new Scanner(new File(delays))) {
510
511
                     int ru_id;
512
                     sc.useLocale(Locale.US);
513
                     while (sc.hasNextLine()) {
514
                         Map<Double, Double> secondMap = new HashMap
                             <>(); // Maps time to the vissim delay
                         if (sc.hasNext()) {
515
```

```
516
                             sc.next();
                             ru_id = sc.nextInt();
517
                             while (sc.hasNextDouble()) {
518
                                 double t = sc.nextDouble();
519
                                 double delay = sc.nextDouble();
520
                                 secondMap.put(t, delay);
521
522
                             }
                         } else {
523
                             break;
524
525
                         delaysMap.put(ru_id, secondMap);
526
                     }
527
                     sc.close();
528
529
                 } catch (FileNotFoundException e) {
530
                     System.out.println("The file with delays " +
531
                        delays + " could not be found");
532
                //We can calculate the expected delay over multiple
                     runs, if the signal groups are assigned on a
                    stochastic basis
                //int nrRuns = 1; // Number of runs
535
                //int nrSignalGroups = sgMap.size(); //number of
536
                    signal groups
                 //double[] sumDelay = new double[nrSignalGroups];
537
                    // Sum of delays over all runs
                 //double[] expDelay = new double[nrSignalGroups];
538
                    // Expected delay
                 //Run simulation
540
                Sim sim = new Sim();
                 //for (int j = 0; j < nrRuns; j++) {
542
                     for (Entry<Integer, List<Signal_Group>> entry :
543
                          sgMap.entrySet()) {
                         for (Signal_Group sg : entry.getValue()) {
544
                             sq.reset(); // Reset all values before
545
546
                     SimResults results = sim.simulate(startTime,
                        maxTime, nrTimestamps, junction, sgMap,
                        module, road_users, finalDelayMap, delaysMap
                        );// Simulation
549
                     //Difference in results between java model and
550
                     compareDelay[(z - 1)] = results.
551
                        getTotalComparision(); // total difference
                        in delay between java model and vissim (for
                        every snapshot)
552
                     compareAbsoluteDelay[(z - 1)] = results.
                        getTotalPosComparision(); // total absolute
                        difference in delay between java model and
```

```
vissim (for every snapshot)
                    compareDelayPTS[(z - 1)] = results.
553
                        getTotDelayPTS(); // total difference in
                        delay per timestamp between java model and
                        vissim (for every snapshot)
                    compareAbsoluteDelayPTS[(z - 1)] = results.
554
                        getTotPosDelayPTS(); // total absolute
                        difference in delay per timestamp between
                        java model and vissim (for every snapshot)
                    comparePerRU[(z-1)] = results.
                        getComparisonPerRU(); // total difference in
                         delay between java model and vissim (for
                        every snapshot) per road user
                    compareAbsolutePerRU[(z-1)] = results.
557
                        getAbsoluteComparisonPerRU(); // total
                        absolute difference in delay between java
                        model and vissim (for every snapshot) per
                        road user
                    averageDepTime[(z-1)] = results.
                        getAverageDepTime(); // average departure
                        time
                    nrRu[(z-1)] = results.getNrRu(); // number of
560
                        road users
                    //double[] delay = results.getTotalDelay();
561
                    //for (int k = 0; k < nrSignalGroups; k++) {
562
                       // sumDelay[k] = sumDelay[k] + delay[k]; //
563
                          Add delay from run to total delay over all
                           runs
566
                //for (int j = 0; j < nrSignalGroups; j++) { //
567
                    Calculate the expected delay
                  // expDelay[j] = sumDelay[j] / nrRuns;
568
569
570
571
            // Sum the (absolute) delay per timestamp over all
                snapshots
            for (int h = 0; h < nrTimestamps; h++) {</pre>
                for (int g = 0; g < nrSnapshots; <math>g++) {
574
                    compareTotalDelayPTS[h] = compareTotalDelayPTS[
575
                        h] + compareDelayPTS[g][h];
                    compareAbsoluteTotalDelayPTS[h] =
576
                        compareAbsoluteTotalDelayPTS[h] +
                        compareAbsoluteDelayPTS[g][h];
                }
577
                compareTotalDelayPTSperRu[h] = compareTotalDelayPTS
578
                    [h]/Arrays.stream(nrRu).sum();
579
                compareAbsoluteTotalDelayPTSperRu[h] =
                    compareAbsoluteTotalDelayPTS[h]/Arrays.stream(
                    nrRu).sum();
```

```
580
            //long endTime = System.nanoTime();
581
582
            //long duration = (endTime - start)/1000000; //divide
583
                by 1000000 to get milliseconds.
584
585
            System.out.println("RESULTS");
586
            System.out.println();
587
            System.out.println("Average departure time");
588
            System.out.println(Arrays.toString(averageDepTime));
589
            System.out.println("Average departure time over all
590
                snapshot: " + Arrays.stream(averageDepTime).sum()
                /100);
            System.out.println();
591
            System.out.println("Total number of road users ");
592
            System.out.println(Arrays.stream(nrRu).sum());
593
            System.out.println();
            System.out.println("Difference in delay between model
                and Vissim per snapshot");
            System.out.println(Arrays.toString(compareDelay));
596
597
            System.out.println();
            System.out.println("Difference in absolute delay
598
                between model and Vissim per snapshot");
            System.out.println(Arrays.toString(compareAbsoluteDelay
599
                ));
            System.out.println();
600
            System.out.println("Total difference in delay between
601
                model and Vissim (summed over all snapshots)");
602
            System.out.println(Arrays.stream(compareDelay).sum());
603
            System.out.println();
            System.out.println("Total absolute difference in delay
604
                between model and Vissim (summed over all snapshots)
                "):
            System.out.println(Arrays.stream(compareAbsoluteDelay).
605
                sum());
            System.out.println();
606
607
            System.out.println("Total difference in delay between
                model and Vissim per timestamp (summed over all
                snapshots)");
            System.out.println(Arrays.toString(compareTotalDelayPTS
                ));
609
            System.out.println();
            System.out.println("Total absolute difference in delay
610
                between model and Vissim per timestamp (summed over
                all snapshots)");
            System.out.println(Arrays.toString(
611
                compareAbsoluteTotalDelayPTS));
612
            System.out.println();
613
            System.out.println("Difference in delay between model
                and Vissim per snapshot per road user");
614
            System.out.println(Arrays.toString(comparePerRU));
615
            System.out.println("Total difference in delay between
                model and Vissim (summed over all snapshots) per
```

```
road user");
            System.out.println(Arrays.stream(comparePerRU).sum()
616
                /100);
            System.out.println("Difference in absolute delay
617
                between model and Vissim per snapshot per road user
            System.out.println(Arrays.toString(compareAbsolutePerRU
618
                ));
            System.out.println("Total absolute difference in delay
619
                between model and Vissim (summed over all snapshots)
                per road user ");
            System.out.println(Arrays.stream(compareAbsolutePerRU).
620
                sum()/100);
            System.out.println("Total difference in delay between
621
                model and Vissim per timestamp (summed over all
                snapshots) average per road user");
            System.out.println(Arrays.toString(
622
                compareTotalDelayPTSperRu));
            System.out.println();
            System.out.println("Total absolute difference in delay
                between model and Vissim per timestamp (summed over
                all snapshots) average per road user");
            System.out.println(Arrays.toString(
625
                compareAbsoluteTotalDelayPTSperRu));
626
627
```

A.1.2 Example input files

Junction_Structure: Txt file containing the structure of the junction. The txt file has, for every arrival place, the name of an arrival place and below it the id, the length of the lane, the maximum speed and the number of lanes.

```
Noord
   1 107.84 13.88 1
   2 107.84 13.88 1
   3 107.84 13.88 1
5
   Oost.
6
   4 48.29 13.88 1
7
   5 48.29 13.88 1
   6 48.29 13.88 1
10
   Zuid
11
   7 109.53 13.88 1
   8 109.53 13.88 1
   9 109.53 13.88 1
14
15
   West.
16
   10 44.24 13.88 1
17
   11 44.24 13.88 1
18
   12 44.24 13.88 1
19
```

Roadusers: Txt file containing the snapshot. The txt file contains every road user in the snapshot, with for every road user its id number, arrival time, length, type, arrival place, position, probability array, speed and number in line.

```
78 263.92 4.76 PASSENGER Zuid 0.824 0.0;0.0;1.0 0 15.43333 1 80 272.03 4.76 PASSENGER Zuid 7.944 0.0;0.0;1.0 0.8722222 13.52778 2 82 264.75 4.61 PASSENGER Oost 0.895 0.0;1.0;1.0 0 15.43333 1 83 276.38 4.01 PASSENGER Noord 9.919 0.0;1.0;1.0 16.64444 20.53333 3 88 279.32 4.61 PASSENGER Oost 27.265 1.0;1.0;1.0 10.27778 13.80278 6
```

simSec: Txt file containing the starting time of the simulation.

```
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```

Module: Txt file containing the scheme, with on every line: the simulation second, the signal group and traffic light colour.

```
280.0 1 green
   280.0 2 green
   280.0 3 green
   280.0 10 red
   280.0 11 red
   280.0 12 red
   270.0 7 red
   270.0 8 red
   270.0 9 red
   260.0 4 red
10
    260.0 5 red
11
    260.0 6 red
12
    287.0 1 amber
13
    287.0 2 amber
14
    287.0 3 amber
15
    290.0 1 red
16
    290.0 2 red
17
   290.0 3 red
18
    290.0 4 green
19
20
    597.0 11 amber
295
    597.0 12 amber
296
    600.0 1 green
297
    600.0 2 green
298
    600.0 3 green
299
    600.0 10 red
    600.0 11 red
    600.0 12 red
```

Delay: Txt file containing the Vissim delay for every road user in the snapshot per time stamp.

```
newVehicle
78
3 282 11.0379
```

```
4 | 283 12.0379
   284 13.0379
 5
    285 14.0379
    286 15.0379
    287 16.0379
    288 17.0379
   289 18.0379
10
    290 19.0379
11
   291 20.0379
12
    292 21.0379
13
    293 22.0379
14
    294 23.0379
15
    295 24.0379
16
    296 25.0379
17
    297 26.0379
18
    298 27.0379
19
    299 28.0379
20
21
    300 29.0379
    301 29.97376
22
    302 29.97376
    303 29.97376
^{24}
    304 29.97376
^{25}
    305 29.97376
26
    306 29.97376
27
    307 29.97376
28
29
    . . .
    newVehicle
114
    88
115
    282 1.156828
116
    283 1.422194
    284 1.846223
    285 2.491222
119
    286 3.320966
120
    287 4.266629
121
    288 5.255762
122
    289 6.255762
123
    290 7.255762
124
125
    291 8.185486
126
    292 8.185486
    293 8.185486
    294 8.185486
    295 8.185486
    296 8.185486
130
    297 8.185486
131
    298 8.185486
132
    299 8.185486
133
    300 8.185486
134
    301 8.185486
135
    302 8.185486
136
137
    303 8.185486
    304 8.185486
    305 8.185486
139
    306 8.185486
140
   307 8.185486
141
```

FinalDelay: Txt file containing the Vissim delay for every road user after they have left the system.

```
78 30.0
80 23.4
82 23.1
83 0.9
88 8.3
```

A.1.3 Example output file

Ouput: Txt file containing the results. For every timestamp the delay and number of stop per road user is given by signal group.

```
Timestamp 0.0
   Signal group 1
   Signal group 2
   Road user 83 Delay 1.1998207110098607 NrStops 0
   Signal group 3
   Road user 75 Delay 21.885900553279004 NrStops 1
   Signal group 4
  Road user 88 Delay 1.2292556571937028 NrStops 0
  Signal group 5
  Signal group 6
10
  Signal group 7
11
  Signal group 8
  Road user 71 Delay 39.34481556211208 NrStops 1
  Signal group 9
  Road user 78 Delay 11.063022225274803 NrStops 1
  Road user 80 Delay 2.8096602990291046 NrStops 1
16
  Signal group 10
17
   Road user 81 Delay 23.604481795508626 NrStops 1
18
   Road user 87 Delay 4.8452161690455675 NrStops 1
19
   Signal group 11
20
   Road user 86 Delay 5.989654575991809 NrStops 1
21
   Signal group 12
22
   Timestamp 1.0
24
   Signal group 1
25
   Signal group 2
26
   Road user 83 Delay 1.3680510954628442 NrStops 1
27
  Signal group 3
  Road user 75 Delay 22.885900553279004 NrStops 1
  Signal group 4
31 | Road user 88 Delay 1.4810165343503336 NrStops 0
32 | Signal group 5
33 | Signal group 6
34 | Signal group 7
35 | Signal group 8
36 Road user 71 Delay 39.34481556211208 NrStops 1
37 | Signal group 9
38 Road user 78 Delay 11.063022225274803 NrStops 1
  Road user 80 Delay 3.8096602990291046 NrStops 1
40 || Signal group 10
```

```
41 | Road user 81 Delay 24.604481795508626 NrStops 1
   Road user 87 Delay 5.8452161690455675 NrStops 1
   Signal group 11
   Road user 86 Delay 6.989654575991809 NrStops 1
   Signal group 12
45
46
   Timestamp 25.0
576
   Signal group 1
   Signal group 2
   Road user 83 Delay 25.368051095462846 NrStops 1
   Signal group 3
    Road user 75 Delay 46.885900553279 NrStops 1
581
    Signal group 4
582
    Road user 88 Delay 24.43142942218887 NrStops 1
583
    Signal group 5
584
    Signal group 6
585
    Signal group 7
    Signal group 8
    Road user 71 Delay 39.34481556211208 NrStops 1
    Signal group 9
    Road user 78 Delay 11.063022225274803 NrStops 1
    Road user 80 Delay 3.8889878187551794 NrStops 1
   Signal group 10
592
   Road user 81 Delay 42.63274471873668 NrStops 1
   Road user 87 Delay 26.2020291649789 NrStops 1
   Signal group 11
   Road user 86 Delay 25.03197623965171 NrStops 1
   Signal group 12
```

A.2 Polling model with switching customers

A.2.1 Simulation file

```
(*Exact Analysis of Polling System with switching customers*)
   (*LSTs for branching-type service disciplines*)
   (*Author: Imke Vromans, June 2021 based on Marko Boon,
       November 2013*)
   (*This Mathematica notebook computes performance measures for
       polling systems with switching customers at polling
       instances . It implements LSTs, which work for branching-
       type service disciplines. In particular, gated and
       exhaustive are implemented.*)
   (*Numerical Input*)
   (*Provide the moments of the input variables. *)
   (*Service disciplines*)
   (\starOnly exhaustive and gated are implemented. The number of
       queues is determined from the length of this list.*)
   In[904]:= serviceDisciplines={exhaustive, exhaustive};
10 | In[905]:= n=Length[serviceDisciplines];
   (*Arrival intensities*)
12
   (*Arrivals *)
   In[906] := lambdas = \{1/10, 1/10\};
   Table[Subscript[\[Lambda], i]=lambdas[[i]], {i,1,n}];
```

```
15 (*Routing probabilities*)
     In[908] := p[1,1] = 10/10;
16
     p[1,2] = 1 - p[1,1];
17
18
     p[2,2] = 3/10;
19
     p[2,1] = 1-p[2,2];
20
      (*Service-time distributions*)
      (*In order to compute the actual queue-length probabilities, we
              need to provide the distributions of the service times and
             switch - over times. Otherwise, the moments would suffice.*)
      In[912]:= T1=1;
     S1=100/10;
24
      (*This is a trick to create deterministic distributions:*)
25
      In[914]:= Bdists=Table[TransformedDistribution[T1,u\[
             Distributed]NormalDistribution[\[Mu],\[Sigma]]], {n}];
      Sdists=Table[TransformedDistribution[S1,u\[Distributed]]
27
             NormalDistribution[\[Mu],\[Sigma]]], {n}];
       (*Moments of the service time distributions*)
28
      In[916]:= EBs=Table[Moment[Bdists[[i]],1],{i,1,n}];
     EB2s=Table[Moment[Bdists[[i]],2],{i,1,n}];
      EB3s=Table[Moment[Bdists[[i]],3],{i,1,n}];
     EB4s=Table[Moment[Bdists[[i]],4],{i,1,n}];
32
      In[920]:= Table[Subscript[EB, i]=EBs[[i]], {i,1,n}];
33
      Table[Subscript[EB2, i]=EB2s[[i]],{i,1,n}];
34
      Table[Subscript[EB3, i]=EB3s[[i]],{i,1,n}];
35
      Table[Subscript[EB4, i]=EB4s[[i]],{i,1,n}];
36
37
      (*Moments of the switch-over time distributions (note:
             Subscript[S, 1] is switch-over from Subscript[V, 1] to
             Subscript[V, 2], regardless of the service disciplines) *)
      In[924]:= ESs=Table[Moment[Sdists[[i]],1],{i,1,n}];
      ES2s=Table[Moment[Sdists[[i]],2],{i,1,n}];
      ES3s=Table[Moment[Sdists[[i]],3],{i,1,n}];
     ES4s=Table [Moment [Sdists [[i]], 4], {i, 1, n}];
      In[928]:= Table[Subscript[ES, i]=ESs[[i]],{i,1,n}];
      Table[Subscript[ES2, i]=ES2s[[i]],{i,1,n}];
43
      Table[Subscript[ES3, i]=ES3s[[i]],{i,1,n}];
44
      Table[Subscript[ES4, i]=ES4s[[i]],{i,1,n}];
45
      (*Moments of the busy period *)
46
47
       (*Busy period equation*)
      In[932] := bpeqn=BPLSTtmp[i][\[Omega]] == BLST[i][\[Omega] + BPLST[i][\[Omega]] == BLST[i][\[Omega]] == BLST[i][
             Subscript[\[Lambda], i](1-BPLSTtmp[i][\[Omega]])];
      (*First moment*)
      In[933] := D[bpeqn, {\[Omega], 1\}]/.\[Omega] -> 0;
50
      In[934]:= sol =Table[Solve[%,BPLSTtmp[i]'[0]]/.BPLSTtmp[i
             [0]->1/.(BLST[i]^\[Prime])[0]->-Subscript[EB, i],{i,1,n}]//
            Flatten:
      In[935]:= Table[Subscript[EBP, i] = -BPLSTtmp[i]'[0]/.sol[[i
52
             ]],{i,1,n}]
      Out [935] = \{10/9, 10/9\}
53
     (*Second moment*)
     In[936] := D[bpeqn, {\\[Omega], 2}]/.\\[Omega] ->0;
     In[937]:= sol =Table[Solve[%,BPLSTtmp[i]''[0]]/.BPLSTtmp[i
             [0]->1/.(BLST[i]^\[Prime])[0]->-Subscript[EB, i]/.BLST[i
             ]''[0]->Subscript[EB2, i]/.(BPLSTtmp[i]^\[Prime])[0]->-
```

```
Subscript[EBP, i],{i,1,n}]//Flatten;
   In[938]:= Table[Subscript[EBP2, i] = BPLSTtmp[i]''[0]/.sol[[i
       ]],{i,1,n}]
   Out [938] = {1000/729,1000/729}
58
   (*Third moment*)
59
   In[939] := D[bpeqn, {\[Omega], 3}]/.\[Omega] -> 0;
60
   In[940]:= sol =Table[Solve[%,BPLSTtmp[i]'''[0]]/.BPLSTtmp[i
61
       [0]->1/.(BLST[i]^\[Prime])[0]->-Subscript[EB, i]/.BLST[i
       ]''[0]->Subscript[EB2, i]/.BLST[i]'''[0]->-Subscript[EB3, i
       ]/.(BPLSTtmp[i]^\[Prime])[0]->-Subscript[EBP, i]/.(BPLSTtmp[
       i]^\[Prime]\[Prime])[0]->Subscript[EBP2, i],{i,1,n}]//
       Flatten;
   In[941]:= Table[Subscript[EBP3, i] = -BPLSTtmp[i]'''[0]/.sol[[i
62
       ]],{i,1,n}]
   Out[941]= {40000/19683,40000/19683}
63
   (*Fourth moment*)
64
   In [942] := D[bpeqn, \{ [Omega], 4 \} ]/. [Omega] -> 0;
65
   In[943]:= sol =Table[Solve[%,BPLSTtmp[i]''' [0]]/.BPLSTtmp[i
       ][0]->1/.(BLST[i]^\[Prime])[0]->-Subscript[EB, i]/.BLST[i
       ]''[0]->Subscript[EB2, i]/.BLST[i]'''[0]->-Subscript[EB3, i
       ]/.BLST[i]''''[0]->Subscript[EB4, i]/.(BPLSTtmp[i]^\[Prime])
       [0]->-Subscript[EBP, i]/.(BPLSTtmp[i]^\[Prime]\[Prime])[0]->
       Subscript[EBP2, i]/.(BPLSTtmp[i]^(3))[0]->-Subscript[EBP3, i
       ],{i,1,n}]//Flatten;
   In[944]:= Table[Subscript[EBP4, i] = BPLSTtmp[i]''' [0]/.sol[[i
67
       ]],{i,1,n}]
   Out [944] = {6200000/1594323,6200000/1594323}
68
69
   (*Exact Analysis*)
   In[945]:= Table[Subscript[\[Sigma], i][0]=1, {i,1,n}];
70
   Table[Subscript[\[Beta], i][0]=1,{i,1,n}];
   Table[Subscript[\[Pi], i][0]=1,{i,1,n}];
   Table[Subscript[\[Sigma], i]'[0]=-Subscript[ES, i],{i,1,n}];
   Table[Subscript[\[Beta], i]'[0]=-Subscript[EB, i],{i,1,n}];
   Table[Subscript[\[Pi], i]'[0]=-Subscript[EBP, i],{i,1,n}];
75
   Table[Subscript[\[Sigma], i]''[0]=Subscript[ES2, i],{i,1,n}];
76
   Table[Subscript[\[Beta], i]''[0]=Subscript[EB2, i],{i,1,n}];
77
   Table[Subscript[\[Pi], i]''[0]=Subscript[EBP2, i],{i,1,n}];
78
   Table[Subscript[\[Sigma], i]'''[0]=-Subscript[ES3, i],{i,1,n}];
79
   Table[Subscript[\[Beta], i]'''[0]=-Subscript[EB3, i],{i,1,n}];
80
   Table[Subscript[\[Pi], i]'''[0]=-Subscript[EBP3, i],{i,1,n}];
   Table[Subscript[\[Sigma], i]''''[0]=Subscript[ES4, i],{i,1,n}];
   Table[Subscript[\[Beta], i]''''[0]=Subscript[EB4, i], {i,1,n}];
   Table[Subscript[\[Pi], i]''''[0]=Subscript[EBP4, i],{i,1,n}];
   In[960]:= zi=Table[Subscript[z, i],{i,1,n}];
85
   In[961]:= hi=Table[ If[serviceDisciplines[[i]]===gated,
86
       Subscript[\[Beta], i][\!\(
   \star Under over script Box[(([Sum])), (j = 1)), (n)](
87
   \*SubscriptBox[\(\[Lambda]\), \(j\)] \((1 -
88
   \star SubscriptBox[(z), ((j))]))))), If[serviceDisciplines[[i]]
89
       ]]===exhaustive, Subscript[\[Pi], i][\!\(
   \t \mathbb{N}^{UnderoverscriptBox[([Sum])), (j = 1), (n)](If[j != i, i)}
   \star SubscriptBox[([Lambda]), (j)] ((1 -
  \*SubscriptBox[\(z\), \(j\)])\), 0]\)\)]]],{i,1,n}];
  gi=Table[Subscript[\[Sigma], i][\!\(
```

```
\*SubscriptBox[\(\[Lambda]\), \(j\)] \((1 -
 95
         96
          (*Joint Queue-length Distribution at polling epochs*)
 97
          (*The branching property is used here and an implicit equation % \frac{1}{2}\left( \frac{1}{2}\right) =\frac{1}{2}\left( \frac{1}{2}\right) +\frac{1}{2}\left( \frac{1}{2}\right) +\frac{1}{
 98
                   for LB^(Subscript[V, 1a]) is formed*)
          In[963] := md[i_] := Mod[i-1, n] + 1
 99
100
         LVa[1][zi]=.;
         joint=RotateRight@Table[
         LVb[i][zi]=LVa[i][zi]/.Table[Subscript[z, k]-> \!\(
         \t \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\lceil Sum \rceil), \ (j = 1), \ (n) \ (p[k, j] *)
104
         \star SubscriptBox[(z), (j)])), \{k,1,n\}];
105
         LSa[i][zi]=LVb[i][zi]/.Subscript[z, i]->hi[[i]];
106
          LSb[i][zi]=LSa[i][zi]/.Table[Subscript[z, k]-> \!\(
107
          \t \ \*UnderoverscriptBox[\(\[Sum]\), \(j = 1\), \(n\)]\(p[k, j]*\
108
          \star SubscriptBox[(z), (j)])), \{k,1,n\}];
109
          LVa[md[i+1]][zi]=LSb[i][zi]gi[[i]],{i,1,n}];
110
          joint//ColumnForm
111
         LVa[1][zi]=.
         During evaluation of In[963]:= Unset::norep: Assignment on LVa
                   for LVa[1][{Subscript[z, 1],Subscript[z, 2]}] not found.
         Out[966] = LVa[1][{Subscript[\[Pi], 1][1/10 (1-(7 Subscript[z,
114
                  1])/10-3/10 ((7 Subscript[z, 1])/10+3/10 Subscript[\[Pi],
                  2][1/10 (1-Subscript[z, 1])]))],7/10 Subscript[\[Pi],
                  1][1/10 (1-(7 Subscript[z, 1])/10-3/10 ((7 Subscript[z, 1])
                   /10+3/10 Subscript[\[Pi], 2][1/10 (1-Subscript[z, 1])]))
                  ]+3/10 ((7 Subscript[z, 1])/10+3/10 ((7 Subscript[z, 1])
                   /10+3/10 Subscript[\[Pi], 2][1/10 (1-Subscript[z, 1])]))}]
                  Subscript[\[Sigma], 1][1/10 (1-Subscript[z, 1])+1/10 (1-(7)
                  Subscript[z, 1])/10-3/10 Subscript[\[Pi], 2][1/10 (1-
                  Subscript[z, 1])])] Subscript[\[Sigma], 2][1/10 (1-Subscript
                  [z, 1])+1/10 (1-Subscript[z, 2])]
         LVa[1][{Subscript[\[Pi], 1][1/10 (1-(7 Subscript[z, 1])/10-(3
                  Subscript[z, 2])/10)],3/10 ((7 Subscript[z, 1])/10+(3
                   Subscript[z, 2])/10)+7/10 Subscript[\[Pi], 1][1/10 (1-(7)
                  Subscript[z, 1])/10-(3 Subscript[z, 2])/10)]}] Subscript[\[ \[ \]
                  Sigma], 1][1/10 (1-Subscript[z, 1])+1/10 (1-Subscript[z, 2])
116
          In[968]:= eqn=LVa[1][zi]==First[joint];
118
          ones=Table[1, {n}];
119
         LVa[][ones]=1;
120
121
         solution1stMoments=Flatten@Solve[D[eqn,{{zi}}]/.Table[Subscript
122
                   [z, i] \rightarrow 1, \{i, 1, n\}];
          In[972]:= solution2ndMoments=Flatten@Solve[D[D[eqn, {{zi}}]], {{zi}
123
                  }}]/.Table[Subscript[z, i]->1,{i,1,n}]/.solution1stMoments];
          solution3rdMoments=Flatten@Solve[D[D[D[eqn,{{zi}}],{{zi}}],{{zi}}],
124
                  }}]/.Table[Subscript[z, i]->1,{i,1,n}]/.solution1stMoments/.
                  solution2ndMoments];
         In[974]:= Table[LVa[i,j]=LVa[i][zi]/.Table[Subscript[z, k]->If[
                   j==k,z,1], \{k,1,n\}], \{i,1,n\}, \{j,1,n\}];
```

```
Table[LVb[i,j]=LVb[i][zi]/.Table[Subscript[z, k]->If[j==k,z
              ,1],{k,1,n}],{i,1,n},{j,1,n}];
       Table[LSa[i,j]=LSa[i][zi]/.Table[Subscript[z, k]->If[j==k,z
127
              ,1],{k,1,n}],{i,1,n},{j,1,n}];
       Table[LSb[i,j]=LSb[i][zi]/.Table[Subscript[z, k]->If[j==k,z
128
              ,1],{k,1,n}],{i,1,n},{j,1,n}];
       In[978]:= LVas=Flatten[Table[D[LVa[i,j],z]/.z->1,{i,1,n},{j,1,n}
129
             }]/.solution1stMoments]
       LVbs=Flatten[Table[D[LVb[i,j],z]/.z->1,{i,1,n},{j,1,n}]/.
              solution1stMoments]
       LSas=Flatten[Table[D[LSa[i,j],z]/.z->1,{i,1,n},{j,1,n}]/.
              solution1stMoments]
       LSbs=Flatten[Table[D[LSb[i,j],z]/.z->1,\{i,1,n\},\{j,1,n\}]/.
132
              solution1stMoments]
       Out [978] = {1733/505,1,464/303,124/101}
133
       Out [979] = {4173/1010,3/10,3622/1515,186/505}
134
       Out[980] = {0,230/303,1228/505,0}
135
       Out[981] = {161/303,23/101,1228/505,0}
136
       (*Joint Queue-length Distribution at arbitrary epochs *)
       (*Calculate expected cycle length (by adding expected visit
              lengths and expected switch-over times)*)
       In[982]:= \[Theta]i=Table[If[serviceDisciplines[[i]]===gated,
139
              {\tt Subscript[\[Beta],\ i][\[Omega]], If[serviceDisciplines[[i]]]}, and a subscript[\[Comega]], are also as a subscript[\[Comega]], and are also as a subscript[\[Comega]]], are also as a subscript[\[Comega]]], and are also as a subscript[\[Comega]]], and are also as a subscript[\[Comega]]], are also as a subscript[\[Comega]]], and are also as a subscript[\[Comega]]], are also as a subscript[\[Comega]]], and are also as a subscript[\[Comega]]], are also as a 
              ]]===exhaustive, Subscript[\[Pi], i][\[Omega]]]], {i,1,n}];
       In[983]:= Vi = Table[LVb[i][zi]/.Table[If[i!=j,Subscript[z, j
140
             ]-> 1, Subscript[z, i ]-> \[Theta]i[[i]]], {j,1,n}], {i,1,n}
              } ];
       In[984] := EVs = -D[Vi, \[Omega]]/. \[Omega] ->0/.
              solution1stMoments (* expected visit lengths *)
       Out[984]= {1391/303,124/303}
       In[985]:= ESs (* expected switch over times *)
       Out [985] = {10,10}
       In[986]:= EC = Total[ESs] + Total[EVs] (* expected cycle
             length *)
       Out[986]= 25
146
       (*Joint queue-length distribution at arbitrary epochs L(z)*)
147
       In[987] := L[zi] = 1/EC \setminus ! \setminus (
148
       \star Under over script Box[([Sum]), (i = 1), (n)]((
149
       \*FractionBox[\(
150
       \*SubscriptBox[\(z\), \(i\)]*\((\(LVb[i]\)[zi] - \ \(LSa[i]\)[
              zi])\)*\((1 -
       \(\*SubscriptBox[\(\[Beta]\), \(i\)]\)[
       \t \UnderoverscriptBox[\(\[Sum]\), \(j = 1\), \(n\)]
       \*SubscriptBox[\(\[Lambda]\), \(j\)] \((1 -
154
       \*SubscriptBox[\(z\), \(j\)])\))), \(\((
155
       \star SubscriptBox[(z), (i)] -
156
      \(\*SubscriptBox[\(\[Beta]\), \(i\)]\)[
157
       \starUnderoverscriptBox[\(\[Sum]\), \(j = 1\), \(n\)]
158
      \*SubscriptBox[\(\[Lambda]\), \(j\)] \((1 -
159
      \*SubscriptBox[\(z\), \(j\)])\))\)*\(
160
      \tUnderoverscriptBox[\(\[Sum]\), \(j = 1\), \(n\)]
      \*SubscriptBox[\(\[Lambda]\), \(j\)] \((1 -
      \star SubscriptBox[(z), (j)]))))))) +
164 | \*FractionBox[\(\(LSb[i]\)[zi] - \(LVa[md[i + 1]]\)[zi]\), \(
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165 \| \times UnderoverscriptBox[((Sum])), (j = 1)), (n)]
   \*SubscriptBox[\(\[Lambda]\), \(j\)] \((1 -
166
   \*SubscriptBox[\(z\), \(j\)])\)))));
167
   (*Marginal queue lengths*)
168
   In[988]:= Table[L[i]=L[zi]/.Table[Subscript[z, k]->If[i==k,z
169
       ,1],{k,1,n}],{i,1,n}];
    In[989] := EMLs = Table[D[Series[L[i], {z,1,3}],z]/.z -> 1/.
170
       solution1stMoments/.solution2ndMoments, {i,1,n}]
   Out [989]=
       {5410514707061/2459012256000,1524833143339/2459012256000}
    (*Correlation (2 queues) *)
172
   Lz = Series[L[zi], {Subscript[z, 1],1,3}, {Subscript[z,
173
       2],1,3}];
    In[991]:= EZ1 = SeriesCoefficient[Lz, {1,0}]/.solution1stMoments
174
       /.solution2ndMoments;
    In[992]:= EZ2= SeriesCoefficient[Lz,{0,1}]/.solution1stMoments
175
       /.solution2ndMoments;
    In[993] := EZ1Z2 = SeriesCoefficient[Lz, {1,1}]/.
176
       solution1stMoments/.solution2ndMoments/.solution3rdMoments;
   VarZ1 = (2*SeriesCoefficient[Lz, {2,0}]/.solution1stMoments/.
       solution2ndMoments/.solution3rdMoments ) + EZ1 - ((EZ1)^2);
   VarZ2= (2*SeriesCoefficient[Lz, {0,2}]/.solution1stMoments/.
178
       solution2ndMoments/.solution3rdMoments ) + EZ2 - ((EZ2)^2);
   In[996] := Cor = (EZ1Z2-EZ1*EZ2)/(Sqrt[VarZ1]*Sqrt[VarZ2])
179
   Out[996] = -(893001510383280110806412623/Sqrt
180
       [62079463186633570675272232767854224580878610836333019329])
   In[1000] := N[Cor]
181
   Out[1000] = -0.113339
182
```