International Journal of Computer Sciences and Engineering **Open Access**

Research Paper Vol.-7, Issue-4, April 2019 E-ISSN: 2347-2693

Self- Similar Behaviour Highway Traffic Analysis –Using Queuing Systems

¹Pushpalatha Sarla, 2*D. Mallikarjuna Reddy, ³Thandu Vamshi Krishna, ⁴Manohar Dingari

1,2,3,4 Dept. of Mathematics, GITAM University, Hyderabad, 502 329, India

Corresponding Author: mallik.reddyd@gmail.com

DOI: https://doi.org/10.26438/ijcse/v7i4.427441 | Available online at: www.ijcseonline.org

Accepted: 11/Apr/2019, Published: 30/Apr/2019

Abstract: Traffic congestion is a situation of increased disturbance of the motion of traffic. India, accompanied by much growing vehicles on the road, so that congestion of the traffic is quickly increasing. Traffic is still cannot thoroughly forecast under which case Traffic Jam may abruptly occur. This study proposes self-similarity structure; it plays a crucial role in queuing system in the field of congestion traffic. The proposal summarizes that whether vehicle arrival pattern on Highways is self-similar in nature or not? Also depict the results in terms of Length of the Queue, Waiting Time Distribution, Traffic Intensity etc., using Queuing models. For this we provided the data from V.R Technique Consultant Pvt. Ltd, India, as of Toll Plaza reports from Delhi Gurgaon section of National Highway 8(NH8) in India. Few techniques to test the self-similarity have

been used and obtained values of Hurst parameter H are reasonably close to each other. Using M/M/1 queuing model and an empirical with Hurst index terms mean queue length has been computed against traffic intensity. Results of the study reveal that mean queue length increases as ρ and H increase. This kind of research is to forecasting the performance analysis and chronic improvement of toll plazas.

*Keywords***:** Queuing Model, System Design, Self-similarity, Hurst Index, Queue Length, Waiting Distribution, Traffic Intensity.

I. INTRODUCTION

One of the major issues in the analysis of any traffic system is the analysis of delay. The analysis of delay normally focuses on delay that results when demand exceeds its capacity; such delay is known as queuing delay, and may be studied by means of queuing theory. This theory involves the analysis of what is known as a queuing system, which is composed of a server; a stream of customers, who demand service; and a queue, or line of customers waiting to be served. Queuing is the synonymous with waiting and waiting lines, waiting is an inevitable part of modern life, from waiting to get served at grocery stores, banks or post offices, to waiting on hold for an operator to pick up telephone calls. Waiting causes not only inconvenience, but also frustration to people's daily lives. The queuing theory as promulgated by (Agner Krarup Erlang, 1909) is applicable in situations where the customers arrive to service station for service; wait for service, leaving the system after receiving the same. However, it has been shown solution only part of the problem, the efficiency of the process, while the application of these results to real-world service operational settings is restricted because it does not take human factors into consideration.

Since waiting involves people, things, time, and environment, it is essential to incorporate issues related to both the social and psychological perspectives in order to reduce the negative impact of waiting on customer satisfaction and perceived quality. Previously, there have already been numerous researches of queues conducted either in terms of Operations Research, or in terms of the consumer behavior, Even though there has not been any distinct researches conducted in the combination of the two. While this chapter intends to fill the void in this research area of waiting, which has been dominated by mathematical models that is lacking of the consideration of human factors. Essentially, the goal for this paper is to develop a framework that aids the design of a queuing system, which will put together crucial aspects from both psychological and social perspectives into the waiting issue. And it will preserve a universal nature that allows application to all real world operations scenarios. The structure of the queuing system is defined as input or arrival distribution, service distribution, service channels, maximum number of customers in the system, population size or calling source, service discipline.

The premise of this paper is, we observed the characteristics of real time traffic data is self-similar (Qiang Meng and Hooi Ling Khoo, 2009), which is an augmentation to investigate the performance metrics as average waiting time distribution and queue length against the traffic intensity. This research attempts to strike a balance of Mean Queue Length and waiting time distribution for M/M/1 Queuing systems.

II. DATA COLLECTION AND AREA OF STUDY

As discussed in the introduction, we are primarily interested in vehicle arrival pattern on busy highways. For this, we have investigated real time data provided by V R TECHNICHE Consultants Pvt. Ltd, India. For ready reference this data is given in Appendix. This data was collected from toll traffic reports at one of the three operating toll plazas on Delhi – Gurgaon Section of National Highway 8 (NH8) in India. Delhi – Gurgaon Section of NH8 is a 6/8-lane BOT toll road with a 20 year concession period. The data was for seven days in August 2018. Gurgaon is one of the fastest growing cities in the national capital region of India, and Delhi – Gurgaon Section of NH8 is one of the busiest highway sections in India. Delhi – Gurgaon Section has three toll plazas.

Out of these, the toll plaza at km 24 (between Delhi and Gurgaon) is busiest and has 32 toll lanes as shown in the Fig.1., It may be noted that the km 24 toll plaza with 32 toll lanes is the largest toll plaza in India and is one of the largest in the world.

Figure .1: km 24 Toll Plaza on Delhi – Gurgaon Section of NH8

III. SELF-SIMILAR PROCESS- HURST INDEX

Self-Similar Process: Self-similarity is a property in which the arrangement of the intact is enclosed in its parts. The word selfsimilar was invented by Mandelbrot. He and his co-workers obtained self-similar processes to the awareness of statisticians, mostly as functions in such regions as geophysics and hydrology (Mandelbrot, 1968)

As mentioned above, a procedure is considered to be precisely self similar if the aggregated processes have first and secondorder statistical properties that are impossible to differentiate from those of the process itself. On the contrary, an asymptotically self-similar process is a process where the autocorrelation function of the aggregated process approaches that of the process itself for a large degree of aggregation.

When a self-similar process X (t) has the property of stationary increments (that is when the finite dimensional distributions of X (t+ τ) - X (t) do not depend upon t), then the process may serve as an underlying process yielding a fractal process. That means, one can construct a (discrete time) stationary increment process. $X_n = X[nT_i] - X[(n-1)T_i]$ (3.1)

With long-range dependence, slowly decaying variance and $1/f$ - noise properties, those are specific for fractal processes. The most widely-known example of self-similar process is the fractional Brownian motion (fBm) process (with infinitely longrun correlations), which is a generalization of the Brownian motion with uncorrelated and independent intervals (Beran, 1995).

Hurst Index: The intensity of self-similarity is given by Hurst parameter *H* . The parameter *H* was named after the hydrologist (Hurst, 1951) who spent many years to investigate the problem of water storage and also to determine the level

© 2019, IJCSE All Rights Reserved **428**

patterns of the Nile River. Hurst parameter is perfectly well defined mathematically, measuring if it is a problematic one. The data must be measured at high lags or low frequencies where fewer readings are available. The parameter H has range $0.5 \leq H \leq 1$. Estimation of H is a difficult task. Several methods are available to estimate degree of self-similarity in a time-series (Roughness 2003, Jerzy Wawszczak, 2005).

IV. QUEUING ANALYSIS OF TRAFFIC DATA- QUEUE LENGTH DISTRIBUTION

A. M/M/1 QUEUING SYSTEM

Queues or waiting lines are the most extensive phenomenon in our everyday life. Queuing system is one of the main segments of an Operations Research. It is a scientific and systematic approach to analyze and solve the complicated problems also for making better decisions. The Researchers have given unique importance to the development and the use of techniques like queuing theory. Queuing theory is used to solve problems concerned with traffic congestion in bank counters, ration shop, railway reservation counters, toll plazas, doctor's clinic, and automobile service etc.., its main reason is to predict the congestion situations of a precise urban transportation network and suggest improvements in the traffic Areas. The ultimate idea is to offer a better optimization of the traffic communications. Those optimizations are supposed to conclude into a decrease of pollution, travelling times and fuel consumption. In this paper we introduce markov processes that play a central role in the analysis of all the basic queuing systems. Queuing theory is an intricate and yet highly practical field of mathematical study that has vast applications in performance evaluation (Bhat U.N, 2015). The basic concept and results are instrumental to the understanding of queuing theory that is outlined in this section.

B. INTERPRETATION OF M/M/1 MODEL

Queuing models enlighten the researchers and engineers to ensure an optimal flow with a minimum number of traffic jams. It main purpose is to predict congestion states of specific network traffic. In this we specifies M/M/1 queuing model which is the simplest model and is commonly used. This model is based extensively on two theoretical distributions, the Poisson distribution for arrivals and the negative exponential distribution for service times. In this model, it assumed that single waiting line has no restriction on length of queue and the Poisson distribution of arrivals.

The objective of queuing analysis is to offer a reasonably satisfactory service to waiting customers. The model M/M/1 represents the queue length in a system having a single server where arrivals are determined by a Poisson process and service times have an exponential distribution. The model name is written in Kendall's notation. Kendall's notation is used to describe and classify a queuing node. (Kendall,1953) proposed to describing queuing models using three factors written A/S/C where A denotes time between arrivals to the queue, S denotes the size of jobs and C the number of servers at the node. It has since been extended to A/S/C/K/N/D, where K is the system capacity to hold customers, N denotes population size which can be finite or infinite, and D is the queue discipline.

In this model the rate of arrival and the service depend on the length of the line. This model is also called the birth and death model. Both the arrivals and service rates are independent of the number of customers in the waiting line. The arrivals are completely at random according to Poisson distribution. There is only one queue and one service facility, arrivals are handled on FCFS (first come first service) basis and service is provided to the customers according to FCFS rules. Arrivals form a single queue, there is a single server in the service facility. When arrivals do not get influenced by the length of the queue then leave the system only after receiving the service. The Poisson and the exponential distributions are related to each other, both of them are denoted by the same letter "M" is used due to markovian property of exponential process.

The exponential distribution is used to describe the inter arrival time in the pure birth model means arrivals only allowed and the inter departure time in the pure death model means departures only can takes place is to show the close relationship between the exponential and the Poisson distributions. The mean service rate is higher than the mean arrival rate (i.e. $\mu > \lambda$). When $\mu > \lambda$, no queue will be formed and the arriving customers will not have to wait. when $\mu = \lambda$, in this case, if the initial queue length was zero then new arrival will not have to wait, and in case the initial queue length was not zero, then every person arriving in the system will have to join the queue i.e. the length of the queue would remain constant. When $\mu < \lambda$, in this case, the length will increase indefinitely and this will not be a steady system. The ratio λ/μ is known as the utilization factor.

C. MEAN PERFORMANCE METRICS

The average number of customers in the system.

This is the number of customers in the queue plus the number of Customers being served and is denoted by

$$
L_{\rm S} = \frac{\lambda}{\mu - \lambda} \tag{4.1}
$$

The average number of customers in queue (i.e queue length)

$$
L_q = \frac{\lambda^2}{\mu(\mu - \lambda)}\tag{4.2}
$$

 Average waiting time in the queue system. It is the time that a customer spends waiting in queue plus the time it takes for servicing the customer.

$$
W_s = \frac{1}{\mu - \lambda} \tag{4.3}
$$

The average waiting time in the queue.

$$
W_q = \frac{\lambda}{\mu(\mu - \lambda)}
$$
(4.4)

Traffic intensity $p=$ (mean arrival rate) λ /(mean service rate) μ . (4.5)

In this section, we present some numerical results of mean queue length (\overline{L}) against traffic intensity. For this, we use the formula (Gunther, 2000) given under:

$$
\overline{L} = \frac{\rho^{0.5/(1-H)}}{(1-\rho)^{H/(1-H)}}.
$$
\n(4.6)

In the equation (4.6), ρ is traffic intensity. H is Hurst parameter is an index of Self-similarity

V. NUMERICAL RESULTS

Using percentile method the H value is computed for the data given. The obtained value of H in this case is 0.767. From the Residuals of Regression Method, the obtained value of H is 0.754 and by the periodogram method obtained value of H is 0.746 (Malla Reddy Perati et al., 2012).

In the Equation (4.6) ρ is the traffic intensity, Results are illustrated in Figure 2(a)-8(b). From these figures, we bring to a notice that as ρ increases average queue length increases which is predictable. Additionally, as H increases, average length of the queue increases. This inclination concurs with our perception.

Figure 2(a): Queue length V/s Traffic intensity of traffic data on day 1

Figure 2(b): Queue length V/s Traffic intensity of traffic data on day 1 (M/M/I)

Figure 3(a): Queue length V/s Traffic intensity of traffic data on day 2

Figure 4(a): Queue length V/s Traffic intensity of traffic data on day 3

Figure 4(b): Queue length V/s Traffic intensity of traffic data on day 3 (M/M/I)

Figure 5(b): Queue length V/s Traffic intensity of traffic data on day 4 (M/M/I)

Figure 6(a): Queue length V/s Traffic intensity of traffic data on day 5

Figure 7(a): Queue length V/s Traffic intensity of traffic data on day 6

Figure 7(b): Queue length V/s Traffic intensity of traffic data on day 6 (M/M/I)

Figure 8(a): Queue length V/s Traffic intensity of traffic data on day 7

Figure 8(b): Queue length V/s Traffic intensity of traffic data on day 7 (M/M/I)

In the equation (4.3, 4.6) ρ is traffic intensity. Results are depicted in from Fig.2(a)-8 (b), we conclude that as ρ increases mean queue length increases which is expected. Further, as H increases, mean queue length increases by using M/M/1 model than and as well as Queue Length with Hurst Index formulae. This tendency agrees with our intuition.

VI. CONCLUSIONS

In this paper real time highway road traffic on a busy National Highway has been proved to be self-similar. Data intended for the study has been provided by a leading consulting company in India. Different methods to test the self-similarity have been used. The acquired values of Hurst parameter H are reasonably close to each other. Using an empirical formula, mean queue length has been computed against traffic intensity. Numerical results reveal that average queue length increases since ρ and

H increase. This sort of study is helpful in development of plans of highways and toll plazas.

REFERENCES

- [1]. Bhat, U.N., *An Introduction to Queuing Theory*, 2ndEdition, Springer, India, (2015).
- [2]. Beran,J., Taqqu, M.S. and Willinger,W., Long- range dependence in variable bit rate traffic, *IEEE Trans. on Communications*, Vol. 43, pp. 1566-1579, (1995)
- [3]. Erlang, A.K., The theory of probabilities and telephone conversations, *Tidsskrift Matematika ,*Vol. 20, pp. 33-39, (1909).
- [4]. Gunther, N. J. The practical performance analyst, Authors Choice Press. Karagiannis, (2000).
- [5]. Hurst H., Long-Term Storage of Reservoirs: An Experimental Study, *Trans of the American Society of Civil Engineers*, pp.770-799, (1951).
- [6]. Hurst parameter of self-similar network traffic, *International Conference on Computer Systems and Technologies,*(2005).
- [7]. Kendall, D. G., Stochastic Processes Occurring in the Theory of Queues and their Analysis by the Method of the Imbedded Markov Chain, The Annals of Mathematical Statistics, Vol. 24, No. 3, pp. 323- 338, (1953).
- [8]. Mandelbrot, B.B and Ness, J.W. van., Fractional Brownian motion, *Fractional noises applications,*Vol. 10, No. 4, pp. 422-437, (1968).
- [9]. Perati, M.R., Raghavendra, K., Koppula, H.K.R., Doodipala, M.R. and Dasari, R., SelfSimilar Behavior of Highway Road Traffic and Performance Analysis at Toll Plazas *Journal of Transportation Engineering*, Vol. 138, pp. 1233-1238, (2012).
- [10]. PushpalathaSarla, Mallikarjuna Reddy D., Manohar Dingari, Queue Length-Busy TimeDistribution Of Web Users Data With Self Similar Behavior, *International Journal of Research in Engineering and Technology,* Vol. 05, No. 05, (2016).
- [11]. Pushpalatha Sarla, D. Mallikarjuna Reddy, "Linear Regression Model Fitting and Implication to Self Similar Behavior Traffic Arrival Data Pattern at Web Centers" Volume 19, Issue 1, Ver. II PP 01-05 IOSR Journal of Computer Engineering (IOSR-JCE) (Jan.-Feb. 2017)
- [12]. Pushpalatha Sarla, D. Mallikarjuna Reddy, Manohar Dingari, "Self Similarity Analysis of Web Users Arrival Pattern at Selected Web Centers". American Journal of Computational Mathematics, Vol.6 No.1, Mar 2016.
- [13]. PushpalathaSarla, D. MallikarjunaReddy "Priority Based Study of Internet Router under Self Similar Traffic with Voids"Proceedings of the International Conference on Innovations and Advancements in Computing -ICIAC 2016, 18th-19th March 2016, GITAM University, Hyderabad.

- [14]. PushpalathaSarla, D. Mallikarjuna Reddy, Manohar Dingari, " Queue Length-Busy Time Distribution of Web Users Data with Self Similar Behavior Proceedings of the International Conference on Innovations and Advancements in Computing -ICIAC 2016, 18th-19th March 2016, GITAM University, Hyderabad.
- [15]. Pushpalatha Sarla, D. Mallikarjuna Reddy, Manohar Dingari, "Self Similarity Analysis of Web Users Arrival Pattern at Selected Web Centers, ICM-2015.
- [16]. QiangMeng and Hooi Ling Khoo, Self-similar characteristics of vehicle arrival pattern on Highways. *Journal of Transportation Engineering*, Vol. 135, No. 11, (2009).
- [17].Jerzy Wawszczak "Methods for estimating the Hurst exponent.The analysis of its value for fracture surface research Materials Science-Poland, Vol. 23, No. 2, 2005(2005)
- [18]. Roughness "Length Method for Estimation Hurst Exponent and Fractal Dimension of Traces", Help Benoit 1.3 version Software, TruSoft International Inc., 2003.

APPENDIX

Table .1: Collection of data on day 1:

Vehicle arrival data and mean queue length with various H values

Table 2: Collection of data on day 2

Vehicle arrival data and mean queue length with various H values

Table 3: Collection of data on day 3 Vehicle arrival data and mean queue length with various H values

Table 4: Collection of data on day 4

Table 5: Collection of data on day 5

Vehicle arrival data and mean queue length with various H values

Table 6: Collection of data on day 6

Vehicle arrival data and mean queue length with various H values

Table 7: Collection of data on day 7

Vehicle arrival data and mean queue length with various H values

