

Supplement A: Break-even analysis

- Break-even analysis 損益平衡分析
 - Analysis to compare processes by finding the volume at which two different processes have equal total costs.
- Break-even quantity 損益平衡點
 - The volume at which total revenues equal total costs.



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Financial Considerations

- **Unit variable cost (c)** cost per unit for materials, labor and etc.
 - **Fixed cost (F)** the portion of the total cost that remains constant regardless of changes in levels of output.
 - **Quantity (Q)** the number of customers served or units produced per year.
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- Total Cost = Fixed Cost + Total Variable Cost = $F + c \times Q$
 - Total Revenue = unit revenue (p) \times Quantity (Q)
 - Total Profit = $p \times Q - (F + c \times Q)$

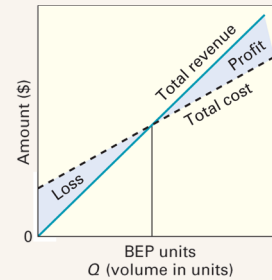
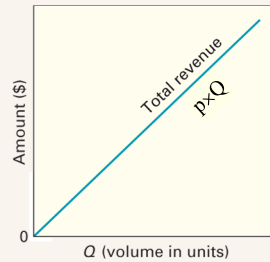
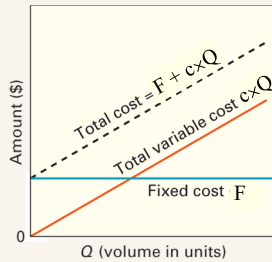
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Break-Even Analysis

$$\text{Total Profit} = p \times Q - (F + c \times Q)$$

Break-even quantity

$$\text{Total Revenue} = \text{Total Cost} \Rightarrow p \times Q = (F + c \times Q) \Rightarrow Q = \frac{F}{p - c}$$

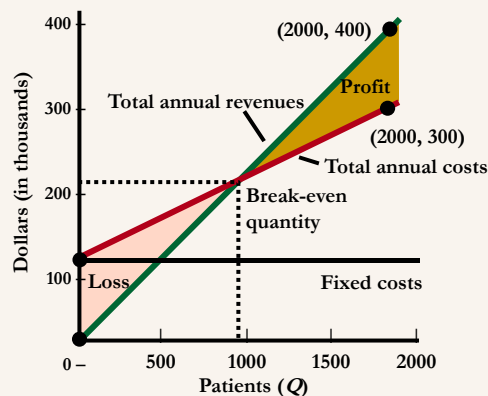


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Example A.1

A new procedure will be offered at \$200 per patient. The fixed cost per year would be \$100,000 with variable costs of \$100 per patient. What is the break-even quantity for this service?

$$Q = \frac{F}{p - c} = \frac{100,000}{200 - 100} = 1,000 \text{ patients}$$



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Financial Analysis

- 水餃店原本雇用兼職人員包水餃，時薪\$150。
- 現在考慮購買包水餃機以取代人工。
- 機器雙人操作，每小時可達600個水餃
- Consider time value of money, present value=\$150,000
- Payback period=5 years
- Annual interest rate=5%
- Annual net cash flow=
=PMT(5%,5,150000,0)
=\$34646



NPV 計算淨現值

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Evaluating Alternatives: Make or Buy

- F_b : The fixed cost (per year) of the buy option
- F_m : The fixed cost of the make option
- c_b : The variable cost (per unit) of the buy option
- c_m : The variable cost of the make option

- Total cost to buy = $F_b + c_b \times Q$

- Total cost to make = $F_m + c_m \times Q$

$$F_b + c_b \times Q = F_m + c_m \times Q \quad \Rightarrow Q = \frac{F_m - F_b}{c_b - c_m}$$

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Example A.3

- A fast-food restaurant is adding salads to the menu.
- Make \Rightarrow Fixed costs: \$12,000, variable costs: **\$1.50** per salad.
- Buy \Rightarrow Preassembled salads could be purchased from a local supplier at **\$2.00** per salad. It would require additional refrigeration with an annual fixed cost of \$2,400
- The price to the customer will be the same.
- Expected demand is 25,000 salads per year.

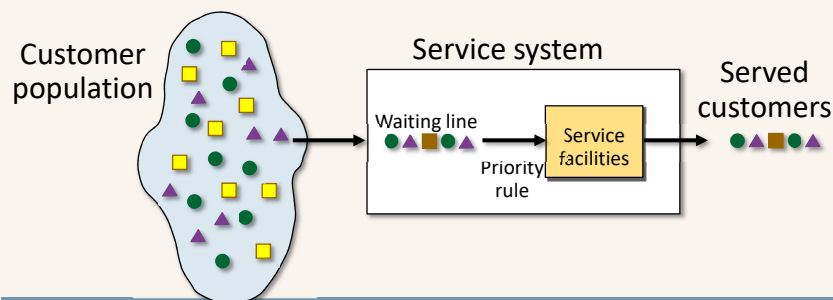
$$Q = \frac{F_m - F_b}{c_b - c_m} = \frac{12,000 - 2,400}{2.0 - 1.5} = \mathbf{19,200 \text{ salads}} < 25,000$$

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Supplement B: Waiting Line Models

Q: What are waiting lines and why do they form?

A: Waiting Lines form due to a **temporary imbalance** between the demand for service and the capacity of the system to provide the service. 顧客異質性使供需短暫失調



Structure of Waiting-Lines

1. An input, or *customer population*, that generates potential customers (single channel vs. multiple channels)
2. A *waiting line* of customers (號碼牌)
3. The *service facility*, consisting of a person (or crew), a machine (or group of machines), or both necessary to perform the service for the customer
4. A *priority rule*, which selects the next customer to be served by the service facility (FCFS)
5. Single phase vs. multiple phase

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Random Arrivals

Poisson arrival distribution

$$P_n = \frac{(\lambda T)^n e^{-\lambda T}}{n!} \quad \text{for } n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

P_n = Probability of n arrivals in T time periods

λ = Average numbers of arrivals per period 無尖離峰變化

$e = 2.7183$

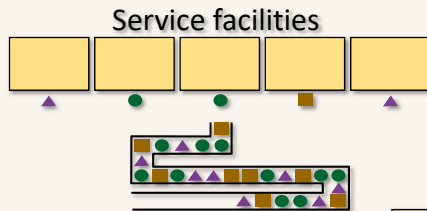
$\lambda = 2$ arrivals per hour, $T = 1$ hour, and $n = 4$ arrivals.

$$P_4 = \frac{[2(1)]^4 e^{-2(1)}}{4!} = \frac{16 e^{-2}}{24} = 0.090$$

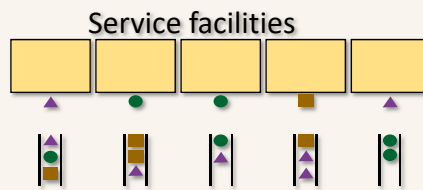
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Waiting Line Arrangements

Single Line



Multiple Lines



Priority Rules

- First-come, first-served (FCFS)
- Earliest due date (EDD)
- Shortest processing time (SPT)
- Preemptive discipline (emergencies first)



Customer Service Times

**Exponential service
time distribution**

$$P(t \leq T) = 1 - e^{-\mu T}$$

μ = average number of customer completing service per period

t = actual service time of the customer

T = target service time

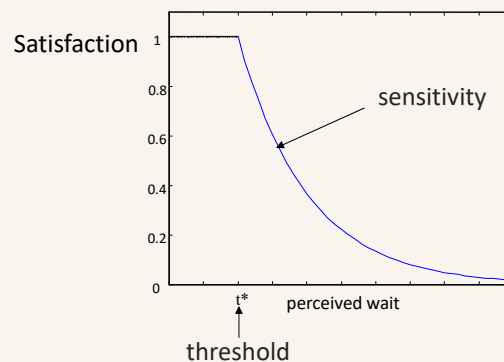
$\mu = 3$ customers per hour, $T = 10$ minutes = 0.167 hour.

$$P(t \leq 0.167 \text{ hour}) = 1 - e^{-3(0.167)} = 1 - 0.61 = 0.39$$

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Waiting-Line Models to Analyze Operations

- Balance **costs** (capacity, lost sales) against benefits (customer satisfaction)



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Single-Line Single-Server Model 單人服務

- Single-server, single waiting line, and only one phase
- Assumptions are:
 1. Customer population is infinite and patient
 2. Customers arrive according to a Poisson distribution, with a mean arrival rate of λ
 3. Service distribution is exponential with a mean service rate of μ
 4. Mean service rate exceeds mean arrival rate $\lambda < \mu$
 5. Customers are served FCFS
 6. The length of the waiting line is unlimited

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Single-Line Single-Server Model

ρ = Average utilization of the system = $\frac{\lambda}{\mu} < 1$

P_n = Probability that n customers are in the system = $(1-\rho)\rho^n$

L = Average number of customers in the system = $\frac{\lambda}{\mu - \lambda}$

L_q = Average number of customers in waiting = $L - \rho = \rho L$

W = Average time spent in the system, including service = $\frac{1}{\mu - \lambda}$

W_q = Average waiting time in line = $W - \frac{1}{\mu} = \rho W$

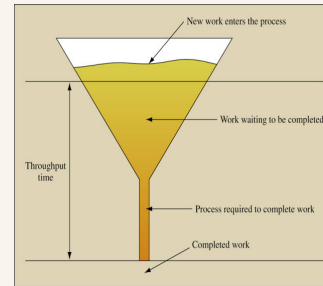
Little's Law

A fundamental law that relates the number of customers in a waiting-line system to the arrival rate and average time in system

λ = arrival rate 流速

average time in system $W = \frac{L \text{ customers}}{\lambda \text{ customer/hour}}$

Work-in-process $L = \lambda W$



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Single-Line Multiple-Server Model 平行服務

- Service system has only one phase, multiple-channels
- Assumptions (in addition to single-server model)
 - There are **s** identical servers
 - Exponential service distribution with mean $1/\mu$
 - **s** μ should always exceed λ

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Servers	30	(Number of servers is assumed to be 1 in single-server model.)
Arrival Rate (λ)	35	
Service Rate (μ)		
Probability of zero customers in the system (P_0)		0.1429
Probability exactly 0 customers in the system (P_n)		0.1429
Average utilization of the server (ρ)		0.8571
Average number of customers in the system (L)		6.0000
Average number of customers in line (L_q)		5.1429

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