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Stochastic Behavior of Redundant Complex System with Two Types of Failure

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Abstract: Problem statement: This study presented the reliability and Mean Time To System Failure (MTTF) analysis of a two-state complex with repairable system, consisting of two sub-systems A and B arranged in series, incorporating the concept of hardware and human failures. The failure times of operating units and repair time of failed units were exponential distributed. Approach: Markovrenewal processes and properties of Laplace transforms had been used to measure the system effectiveness **Results:** Laplace transforms of the various state probabilities had been derived and then reliability of the complex system, at any time t, had been computed by inversion process. MTTF had also been evaluated; availability and steady-state availability for system was derived. Certain important result had been evaluated as special cases. Also, few graphical illustrations were also given at the end to high-light the important results. Conclusion: The additional repair led to improve the values of the MTTF and the reliability at any time t.

Key words: Reliability to system R(t), Availability to system A(t) and mean-time to failure

INTRODUCTION

Earlier researchers^[1,2] have studied the reliability and MTTF for various complex equipments, keeping in view the concept of human and hardware failure^[3], have studied the Reliability and MTTF analysis of nonrepairable parallel redundant complex system under hardware and human failures^[3], have studied the Human error and partial hardware failure modeling of parallel and standby redundant system and^[4] have studied the stochastic analysis of a compound redundant system involving human failure As a matter of fact human failure is defined as a failure to perform a prescribed task which could result in damage to the equipment and property. There exist a number of causes for human error; e.g., lack of good job environments, poor training or skill of the operating personnel and so on. On the other hand, hardware failure occurs due to flaws in design, poor quality control, poor maintenance. This type of study can be found in reference. In this study; the researchers have considered a repairable complex system consisting of two subsystems A and B (Fig. 1). The subsystem A has a two-unit active parallel system whereas the subsystem B has one unit alone. The two subsystems are arranged in series. Both the units of subsystem A suffer two types of failure viz; hardware and human whereas subsystem B suffers only one type of failure. With the aid of Laplace transforms of the various state probabilities have been derived and

then reliability is obtained by inversion process. Moreover, an important parameter of reliability, i.e., MTTF (mean time to failure), system availability and steady-state availability are derived. The failure times of operating units and repair time of failed units are exponential distributed. The effects of additional repair in this system performance are shown in tables and graphically.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Assumptions: In this system the following assumptions and notations are used to analyze the system:

- Initially, the system is in good state
- The system has two states, viz; good and failed •
- A failed unit can be repaired
- Hardware failures and human failures for all the • units are also constant
- Failures are statistically independent

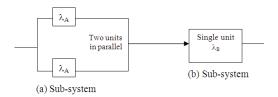


Fig. 1: Connect between two sub-system

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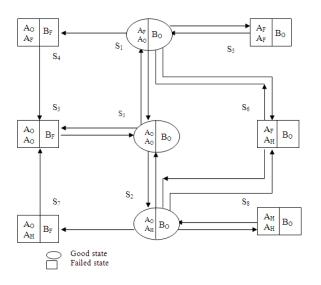


Fig. 2: State transition diagram

- Two units connected in parallel redundancy suffer two types of failures; namely constant hardware failure and constant human failure
- In the complex system, only one change can take place in the state of the system at any time

Symbol for the modes: O operable mode, F hardware failures mode and H human failure mode.

Analysis of the system: To analyze the behavior of the system, we note that at any time t, the system will be found in any one of the above in (Fig. 2) mutually exclusive and exhaustive states:

- S₀ Two-unit of sub-system a are operating and the other sub-system B is operating
- S₁ One-unit of sub-system A is failed with hardware failure, second unit of sub-system A is operating and sub-system B is operating
- S₂ One-unit of sub-system A is failed with human failure, second A unit operating and sub-system B is operating
- S₃ Two-unit of sub-system A are operating and the other sub-system B is failed
- S₄ One-unit of sub-system A is failed with hardware failure, second unit of sub-system A is operating and sub-system B is failed
- S₅ Two-unit of sub-system A are failed with hardware failure and sub-system B is operating
- S₆ One-unit of sub-system A is failed with hardware failure, second unit of sub-system A is failed wit human failure and sub-system B is operating

- S₇ One-unit of sub-system A is failed with human failure, second unit of sub-system A is operating and sub-system B is failed
- S₈ Two-unit of sub-system A are failed with human failure and the other sub-system B is operating
- $p_i(t)$ Probability that the system is in state s_i at any time t, for i = 0, 1, 2, ..., 8
- s Laplace-transform variable
- F(s) Laplace-transform of F(t)
- λ_A The constant hardware failure rate of a unit of sub-system A
- λ_h The constant human failure rate of a unit of subsystem A
- λ_B The constant hardware failure rate of sub-system B
- μ_A The constant repair rate from hardware failure of a unit for the sub-system A
- μ_h The constant repair rate from human failure of a unit for the sub-system A
- μ_B The constant repair rate of sub-system B

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

System reliability: The system reliability R(t) is the probability of failure-free operation of the system in (0, t]. To derive an expression for the reliability of the system, we restrict the transitions of the Markov process to the up states, viz. S_0 , S_1 , S_2 , S_3 , S_4 and S_5 . Using the Fig. 2, we derive the following differential equations:

$$\frac{dp_{0}(t)}{dt} + (2\lambda_{A} + 2\lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B}) p_{0}(t) = \mu_{A} p_{1}(t) + \mu_{h} p_{2}(t),$$

$$\frac{dp_{1}(t)}{dt} + (\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{A}) p_{1}(t) = 2\lambda_{A} p_{0}(t),$$

$$\frac{dp_{2}(t)}{dt} + (\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{h}) p_{2}(t) = 2\lambda_{h} p_{0}(t)$$
(1)

Let $_{P_i}(s)$ be the Laplace transform of $p_i(t), i = 0, 1, 2$. Taking Laplace transform on both the sides of the differential Eq. 1 and using the initial conditions $P_0(0) = 1$, $P_i(0) = 0$, where i = 1, 2, solving for $P_i(s), i = 0, 1, 2$, we get:

$$p_{0}(s) = \frac{(s + x_{2})(s + x_{3})}{\prod_{r=1}^{3} (s - s_{r})}, p_{1}(s) = \frac{2\lambda_{A}(s + x_{3})}{\prod_{r=1}^{3} (s - s_{r})},$$

$$p_{2}(s) = \frac{2\lambda_{h}(s + x_{2})}{\prod_{r=1}^{3} (s - s_{r})}$$
(2)

Taking inverse L.T. of Eq. 2, we get the $p_i(t).i = 0,1,2$:

$$p_{0}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{3} \frac{(s_{i} + x_{2})(s_{i} + x_{3})}{\prod_{r=1, r \neq i}^{3} (s_{i} - s_{r})} e^{s_{i}t},$$

$$p_{1}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{3} \frac{2\lambda_{A}(s_{i} + x_{3})}{\prod_{r=1, r \neq i}^{3} (s_{i} - s_{r})} e^{s_{i}t},$$

$$p_{2}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{3} \frac{2\lambda_{h}(s_{i} + x_{2})}{\prod_{r=1, r \neq i}^{3} (s_{i} - s_{r})} e^{s_{i}t}$$
(3)

Then the system reliability is given by:

$$\begin{split} R(t) &= P_0(t) + P_1(t) + P_2(t) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{(S_i + x_2)(S_i + x_3) + 2\lambda_A(S_i + x_3) + 2\lambda_h(S_i + x_2)}{\prod_{r=1, r \neq i}^3 (S_i - S_r)} e^{S_i t} \quad (4) \end{split}$$

where, s₁,s₂ and s₃are roots of the following equation:

$$\begin{split} s^{3} + s^{2} \left(4\lambda_{A} + 4\lambda_{h} + 3\lambda_{B} + \mu_{A} + \mu_{h} \right) + s \\ \left[5\lambda_{A}^{2} + 3\lambda_{B}^{2} + \lambda_{h} \left(5\lambda_{h} + 3\mu_{A} \right) + \mu_{h} \left(\lambda_{h} + \mu_{A} \right) \right. \\ \left. + 2\lambda_{B} \left(4\lambda_{h} + \mu_{A} + \mu_{h} \right) + \lambda_{A} \left(8\lambda_{B} + 10\lambda_{h} + \mu_{A} + 3\mu_{h} \right) \right. \\ \left[\left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{B} + \lambda_{h} \right) \left(\left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{B} + \lambda_{h} \right) \left(2\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{B} + 2\lambda_{h} \right) \right. \\ \left. + \mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + 2\lambda_{h} \right) + \mu_{h} \left(\left(2\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{B} \right) \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{B} + \lambda_{h} \right) + \lambda_{B} \mu_{A} \right) \right] = 0 \end{split}$$

Mean time to system failure: The steady-state reliability of the system is given by:

$$R(s) = P_{0}(s) + P_{1}(s) + P_{2}(s)$$

=
$$\frac{(s + x_{2})(s + x_{3}) + 2\lambda_{A}(s + x_{3}) + 2\lambda_{h}(s + x_{2})}{\prod_{r=1}^{3}(s - s_{r})}$$
(5)

The mean time to failure of the system is given by:

$$MTTF = \lim_{s \to 0} R(s) = 2\lambda_{h} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{A} \right) + \left(3\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{A} \right) \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{A} \right) \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{A} \right) + \left(\left(2\lambda_{A} + 2\lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} \right) \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{A} \right) - 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \right) \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{A} \right) - 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{A} \right) - 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{A} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{A} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{A} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{A} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{A} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{A} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{A} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{A} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{A} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{A} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{A} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{A} + \lambda_{A} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{A} + \lambda_{A} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{A} + \lambda_{A} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{A} + \lambda_{A} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{A} + \lambda_{A} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{A} + \lambda_{A} + \mu_{A} \right) + 2\lambda_{A}\mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{A} + \lambda_{A} + \mu$$

System availability: The system availability is the probability that the system operates within the tolerances at a given instant of time and is obtained as follows: Using the infinitesimal generator shown in Fig. 1, we obtain the following differential equations:

$$\frac{dp_{0}(t)}{dt} + (2\lambda_{A} + 2\lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B}) p_{0}(t) = \mu_{A} p_{1}(t) + \mu_{h} p_{2}(t) + \mu_{B} p_{3}(t)$$
(7)

$$\frac{dp_{1}(t)}{dt} + (\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{A}) p_{1}(t) = 2\lambda_{A}p_{0}(t) + 2\mu_{A}p_{5}(t) + \mu_{h}p_{6}(t)$$
(8)

$$\frac{dp_{2}(t)}{dt} + (\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B} + \mu_{h}) p_{2}(t) = 2\lambda_{h} p_{0}(t) + \mu_{A} p_{6}(t) + 2\mu_{h} p_{8}(t)$$
(9)

$$\frac{dp_{3}(t)}{dt} + \mu_{B}p_{3}(t) = \lambda_{B}p_{0}(t) + \mu_{A}p_{4}(t) + \mu_{h}p_{0}(t)$$
(10)

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}p_4(t)}{\mathrm{d}t} + \mu_{\mathrm{A}} p_4(t) = \lambda_{\mathrm{B}} p_1(t) \tag{11}$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}p_{5}(t)}{\mathrm{d}t} + 2\mu_{\mathrm{A}}p_{5}(t) = \lambda_{\mathrm{A}}p_{1}(t)$$
(12)

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\mathbf{p}_{6}(t)}{\mathrm{d}t} + (\mu_{\mathrm{A}} + \mu_{\mathrm{h}})\mathbf{p}_{6}(t) = \lambda_{\mathrm{h}}\mathbf{p}_{1}(t) + \lambda_{\mathrm{A}}\mathbf{p}_{2}(t)$$
(13)

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}p_{7}(t)}{\mathrm{d}t} + \mu_{\mathrm{h}} p_{7}(t) = \lambda_{\mathrm{B}} p_{2}(t)$$
(14)

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}p_{8}(t)}{\mathrm{d}t} + 2\mu_{h}p_{8}(t) = \lambda_{h}p_{2}(t)$$
(15)

Let $P_i(s)$ be the Laplace transform of $P_i(t)$, i = 0, 1, 2, ..., 8. Taking Laplace transform on both the sides of the differential Eq. 7-15 and using the initial $\sum_{i=0}^{8} P_i(t) = 1$ conditions, solving for $P_i(s)$, i = 0, 1, 2, ..., 8 and inverting, we get $P_i(t)$, i = 0, 1, 2, ..., 8. Since S_0 , S_1 and S_2 correspond to system up-states, the system availability is given by:

$$AV(t) = P_{0}(t) + P_{1}(t) + P_{2}(t)$$

$$= \frac{\mu_{h} \mu_{A} \mu_{B}(A_{0} - B_{0} + C_{0})}{\prod_{r=1}^{9} s_{r}} + (16)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{9} \frac{(s_{i} + \mu_{h})(s_{i} + \mu_{A})(s_{i} + \mu_{B})(A_{i} - B_{i} + C_{i})}{\prod_{r=1, r \neq i}^{9} s_{i}(s_{i} - s_{r})} e^{s_{i}t}$$

Where:

$$\begin{split} A_{i} &= 2\lambda \big(s_{i}+2\mu_{h}\big) \big(\big(s_{i} \big(s_{i}+x_{2}\big)+2\mu_{A} \big(s_{i}+x_{2}-\lambda_{A}\big) \big) \big(s_{i}+\mu_{A}+\mu_{h}\big) \\ &+ \big(s_{i}+\mu_{A}\big) \big(\lambda_{A} \mu_{A}-2\lambda_{h} \mu_{h}\big) \big) \\ B_{i} &= 2\lambda_{A} \big(s_{i}+2\mu_{A}\big) \big(2\lambda_{h} \mu_{h} \big(s_{i}+x_{4}\big) + \big(s_{i}+2\mu_{h}\big) \\ & \big(\lambda_{A} \mu_{A}-\lambda_{h} \mu_{h} - \big(s_{i}+x_{4}\big) \big(s_{i}+x_{3}\big) \big) \big) \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} C_{i} &= -2\lambda_{h}\,\mu_{h}\left(\left(s_{i}+x_{4}\right)\left(s_{i}\left(s_{i}+x_{2}-\lambda_{A}\right)\mu_{A}\right)-\lambda_{h}\,\mu_{h}\left(s_{i}+2\mu_{A}\right)\right) \\ &+\left(s_{i}+2\mu_{h}\right)\left(-2\lambda_{A}\,\mu_{A}\left(\left(s_{i}+x_{3}\right)\left(s_{i}+x_{4}\right)-\lambda_{A}\,\mu_{A}\right)\right) \\ &+\left(s_{i}+2\mu_{A}\right)\left(-\lambda_{A}\,\mu_{A}\left(s_{i}+x_{2}\right)\right) \\ &+\left(s_{i}+x_{3}\right)\left(\left(s_{i}+x_{2}\right)\left(s_{i}+x_{4}\right)-\lambda_{h}\,\mu_{h}\right)\right)\right) \\ A_{0} &= 4\lambda_{h}\,\mu_{h}\,\mu_{A}\left(\mu_{A}\left(2x_{2}-\lambda_{A}\right)+2\mu_{h}\left(x_{2}-\lambda_{A}-\lambda_{h}\right)\right) \\ B_{0} &= -8\lambda_{A}\,\mu_{A}\,\mu_{h}\left(x_{4}\,\lambda_{B}+\lambda_{A}\left(x_{4}-\mu_{A}\right)+\mu_{h}\left(x_{4}+\lambda_{h}\right)\right) \\ C_{0} &= 4\mu_{h}\,\mu_{A}\left(\left(\lambda_{A}-x_{2}\right)\left(\lambda_{A}\mu_{A}+x_{4}\left(\lambda_{h}-x_{3}\right)\right)+\lambda_{h}\,\mu_{h}\left(\lambda_{h}-x_{3}\right)\right) \end{split}$$

where, s_i the roots of the polynomial of the expand the determinately of the following matrix:

$\left(s+x_{1}\right)$	$-\mu_A$	$-\mu_h$	$-\mu_B$	0	0	0	0	0
$-2\lambda_{A}$	$\left(s+x_{2}^{'}\right)$	0	0	0	$-2\mu_A$	$-\mu_h$	0	0
$-2\lambda_h$	0	$\left(s+x_{3}^{}\right)$	0	0	0	$^{-\mu}A$	0	$-2\mu_h$
$-\lambda_B$	0	0	$\left(s+\mu_B\right)$	$-\mu_A$	0	0	$-\mu_h$	0
0	$-\lambda_{\mathbf{B}}$	0	0	$\left(s + \mu_A\right)$	0	0	0	0
0	$-\lambda_A$	0	0	0	$\left(s+2\mu_{A}\right)$	0	0	0
0	$-\lambda_h$	$^{-\lambda}A$	0	0	0	$(s+x_4)$	0	0
0	0	$-\lambda_{\mathbf{B}}$	0	0	0	0	$\left(s+\mu_h\right)$	0
0	0	$-\lambda_h$	0	0	0	0	0	$\left(s+2\mu_{h}\right)$

Where:

$$\begin{split} x_1 &= \left(2\lambda_A + 2\lambda_h + \lambda_B \right) \\ x_2 &= \left(\lambda_A + \lambda_h + \lambda_B + \mu_A \right) \\ x_3 &= \left(\lambda_A + \lambda_h + \lambda_B + \mu_h \right) \\ x_4 &= \left(\mu_A + \mu_h \right) \end{split}$$

Steady-state availability: The steady-state availability of the system is given by:

$$\begin{split} AV_{0}(\infty) &= \lim_{s \to 0} sAV_{0}(S) \\ &= \mu_{h} \, \mu_{A} \mu_{B} \left[4\lambda_{h} \, \mu_{h} \, \mu_{A} \left(\mu_{A} \left(2x_{2} - \lambda_{A} \right) \right. \\ &+ 2\mu_{h} \left(x_{2} - \lambda_{A} - \lambda_{h} \right) - 8\lambda_{A} \, \mu_{A} \, \mu_{h} \left(x_{4} \, \lambda_{B} + \lambda_{A} \left(x_{4} - \mu_{A} \right) \right. \\ &+ \mu_{h} \left(x_{4} + \lambda_{h} \right) + 4\mu_{h} \, \mu_{A} \left((\lambda_{A} - x_{2}) \left(\lambda_{A} \mu_{A} + x_{4} \left(\lambda_{h} - x_{3} \right) \right) \right. \\ &+ \lambda_{h} \, \mu_{h} \left(\lambda_{h} - x_{3} \right) \right] / \\ &\left[4\mu_{A} \mu_{h} \left(\lambda_{A}^{3} \, \mu_{B} \mu_{h}^{2} + \lambda_{A}^{2} \mu_{h} \left(\mu_{B} \mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{B} + 2\lambda_{h} \right) \right. \\ &+ \mu_{h} \left(2 \, \lambda_{B} \mu_{A} + \mu_{B} \left(3\lambda_{B} + \lambda_{h} + 3\mu_{A} \right) \right) + \mu_{B} \mu_{h}^{2} \right) \\ &+ \mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{B} \, x_{4} + \mu_{A} \left(\lambda_{h} + x_{4} \right) \right) \left(\lambda_{B}^{2} \, \mu_{h} + \mu_{B} \left(\lambda_{h} + \mu_{h} \right)^{2} \\ &+ \lambda_{B} \left(2\lambda_{h} + \mu_{h} \right) \left(\mu_{B} + \mu_{h} \right) \right) + \lambda_{B} \left(2\lambda_{h} + \mu_{h} \right) \left(\mu_{B} + \mu_{h} \right) \right) \\ &+ \lambda_{A} \left(\lambda_{B}^{2} \, \mu_{h} \left(2\mu_{A} \left(\mu_{A} + \mu_{B} \right) + \mu_{h} \left(3\mu_{A} + 2\mu_{B} \right) \right) \\ &+ \lambda_{B} \left(2\lambda_{h} \, x_{4} \left(\mu_{A} \, \mu_{B} + \mu_{h} \left(\mu_{A} + \mu_{B} \right) \right) \\ &+ \lambda_{B} \left(2\lambda_{h} \, x_{4} \left(\mu_{A} \, \mu_{B} + \mu_{h} \left(\mu_{A} + \mu_{B} \right) \right) \\ &+ \mu_{h} \left(2\mu_{A}^{2} \, \mu_{B} + \mu_{A} \mu_{h} \left(3\mu_{A} + 5\mu_{B} \right) + 2\mu_{h}^{2} \left(\mu_{A} + \mu_{B} \right) \right) \right] \end{split}$$

Special case: When repair failure is not allowed i.e., Let 9 μ_k , μ_A , $\mu_k = 0$).

Reliability analyses without repair failure: Using the infinitesimal generator given in Fig. 1 when repair failure is not allowed, we derive the following differential equations:

$$\frac{dp_{0}(t)}{dt} + (2\lambda_{A} + 2\lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B}) p_{0}(t) = 0,$$

$$\frac{dp_{1}(t)}{dt} + (\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B}) p_{1}(t) = 2\lambda_{A} p_{0}(t)$$

$$\frac{dp_{2}(t)}{dt} + (\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B}) p_{2}(t) = 2\lambda_{h} p_{0}(t)$$
(18)

Let $P_i(s)$ be the Laplace transform of $P_i(t)$, i = 0, 1, 2. 2. Taking Laplace transform on both the sides of the differential equations given above, solving for $P_i(t)$, i = 0, 1, 2 and inverting, we get $P_i(t)$, i = 0, 1, 2. Then the system reliability is given by:

$$R(t) = P_0(t) + P_1(t) + P_2(t)R(t)$$

= $2e^{-(\lambda_A + \lambda_h + \lambda_B)t} - e^{-(2\lambda_A + 2\lambda_h + \lambda_B)t}$ (19)

Mean time to system failure without repair failure: Then the steady-state reliability of the system without repair failure is given by:

$$R(s) = P_0(s) + P_1(s) + P_2(s)$$

$$= \frac{(s + 3\lambda_A + 3\lambda_h + \lambda_B)}{(s + \lambda_A + \lambda_h + \lambda_B)(s + 2\lambda_A + 2\lambda_h + \lambda_B)}$$
(20)

The mean time to failure of the system without repair failure is given by:

$$MTTF = \frac{(3\lambda_{A} + 3\lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B})}{(2\lambda_{A} + 2\lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B})(\lambda_{A} + \lambda_{h} + \lambda_{B})}$$
(21)

Setting $\lambda_A = 0.004$, $\lambda_B = 0.005 \ \lambda_h = 0.003$, $\mu_A = 0.2$, $\mu_B = 0.2$ and $\mu_h = 0.1$ in Eq. 5 and 20 we get Table 1.

Table 1: Reliability of the two systems at any time

Sr. No.	t	R(t) for first system	R(t) for second system
1	0	1.00000	1.00000
2	10	0.94944	0.94688
3	20	0.89766	0.88939
4	30	0.84870	0.82983
5	40	0.80239	0.76990
6	50	0.75864	0.71088
7	60	0.71727	0.65369
8	70	0.67816	0.59894
9	80	0.64117	0.54707
10	90	0.60620	0.49833

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Table 2: Variation of MTTF with respect to λ_A of the two systems				
Sr. No.	$\lambda_{\rm A}$	MTTF for first system	MTTF for second system	
1	0.001	190.7390	145.2991	
2	0.002	187.1698	133.3333	
3	0.003	183.2433	122.9947	
4	0.004	179.0294	114.0351	
5	0.005	174.5940	106.2271	
6	0.010	151.0039	78.8530	
7	0.020	108.8940	51.8207	
8	0.030	9.8163	38.5471	
9	0.040	60.7727	30.6777	
10	0.050	48.0263	25.4737	

Table 3: Variation of MTTF with	h respect to $\lambda_{\rm B}$ of the two systems

Sr. No.	$\lambda_{\rm B}$	MTTF for first system	MTTF for second system
1	0.001	624.3900	183.3330
2	0.002	384.9850	159.7220
3	0.003	278.2800	141.1760
4	0.004	217.8860	126.2630
5	0.005	179.0290	114.0350
6	0.010	94.6338	75.9804
7	0.020	48.7011	44.6623
8	0.030	32.7828	31.3268
9	0.040	24.7051	24.0347
10	0.050	19.8201	19.4627

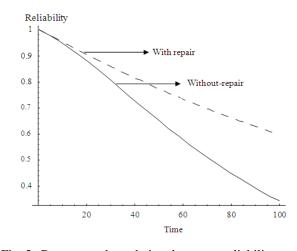


Fig. 3: Reprecent the relation between reliability and time

Setting $\lambda_B = 0.005$, $\lambda_h = 0.003$, $\mu_A = 0.2$, $\mu_B = 0.2$ and $\mu_h = 0.1$ in Eq. 7 and 22 we get Table 2.

Setting $\lambda_A = 0.004$, $\lambda_h = 0.003$, $\mu_A = 0.2$, $\mu_B = 0.2$ and $\mu_h = 0.1$ in Eq. 6 and 21 we get Table 3.

interpretation of the results: To observe the effect of the repair on the system behavior, we plot the represent Mean Time To Failure (MTTF) and the reliability at any time t, against λ_A (hardware failure rate of a unit for sub-system A), λ_h (human failure rate of a unit for sub-system A) and λ_B (failure rate of a unit for sub-system B).

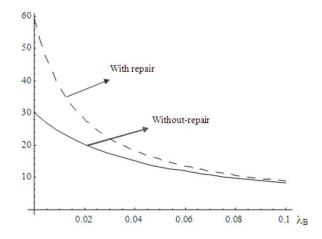


Fig. 4: Reprecent the relation between MTTF and λ_B

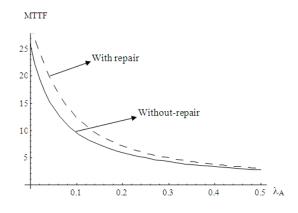


Fig. 5: Reprecent the relation between MTTF and λ_A

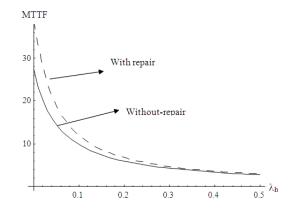


Fig. 6: Reprecent the relation between MTTF and λ_h

Table 1-3 and Fig. 3-8 show that the present of an additional repair leads to improve the values of the Mean Time To Failure (MTTF) and the reliability at any time t as shown from their behaviors when plotted against t, λ_h , λ_A or λ_B .

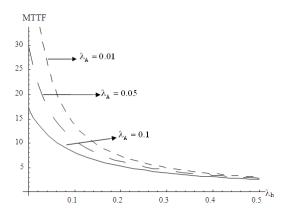


Fig. 7: Reprecent the relation between MTTF and λ_h with various values for λ_A

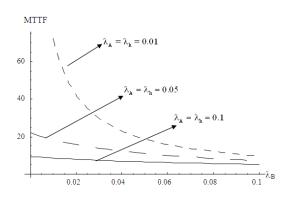


Fig. 8: Reprecent the relation between MTTF and λ_B with various values for λ_A and λ_h

CONCLUSION

Markov-renewal processes and properties of Laplace transforms has been used to measure the system effectiveness. The additional repair led to improve the values of the MTTF and the reliability at any time t.

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