1.

- a) The system consists of six error containment regions: each I/O module, each P/M module and each bus.
- b) The system is modelled by the following reliability block diagram:



The subsystems that correspond to the I/O modules and the buses have the following reliability:

$$R_{i/o}(t) = e^{-\lambda_{i/o}t}$$

$$R_{b}(t) = e^{-\lambda_{b}t}$$

$$R_{2i/o}(t) = 2R_{i/o}(t) - R_{i/o}^{2}(t)$$

$$R_{2b}(t) = 2R_{b}(t) - R_{b}^{2}(t)$$

The processor subsystem is modelled using the following Markov model:

$$2 - \lambda_{p}(1-c) \rightarrow 1 - \lambda_{p} \rightarrow 0$$

The transition rate matrix for the Markov model is:

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} -2\lambda_p & \lambda_p(1+c) & \lambda_p(1-c) \\ 0 & -\lambda_p & \lambda_p \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Using the equation P'(t) = P(t)Q, we obtain the following system of differential equations:

$$\begin{cases} P_{2}'(t) = -2\lambda_{p}P_{2}(t) \\ P_{1}'(t) = \lambda_{p}(1+c)P_{2}(t) - \lambda_{p}P_{1}(t) \\ P_{0}'(t) = \lambda_{p}(1-c)P_{2}(t) + \lambda_{p}P_{1}(t) \end{cases}$$

As both modules are working from the beginning, we know that:

$$P(0) = [1 \ 0 \ 0].$$

We solve the equation system using the Laplace transform.

$$\begin{cases} sP_2(s) - 1 = -2\lambda_p P_2(s) \\ sP_1(s) = \lambda_p (1+c)P_2(s) - \lambda_p P_1(s) \\ P_0(s) = \lambda_p (1-c)P_2(s) + \lambda_p P_1(s) \end{cases}$$
$$P_2(s) = \frac{1}{s+2\lambda_p}$$
$$P_1(s) = \frac{\lambda_p (1+c)}{s+\lambda_p} \cdot P_2(s) = \frac{\lambda_p (1+c)}{s+\lambda_p} \cdot \frac{1}{s+2\lambda_p} = (1+c)\left(\frac{1}{s+\lambda_p} - \frac{1}{s+2\lambda_p}\right)$$

Using the inverse Laplace transform, we obtain:

$$P_2(t) = e^{-2\lambda_p t}$$

$$P_1(t) = (1 + c) \cdot \left(e^{-\lambda_p t} - e^{-2\lambda_p t}\right)$$

$$R_{2PM}(t) = P_1(t) + P_2(t) = (1 + c) \cdot e^{-\lambda_p t} - c \cdot e^{-2\lambda_p t}$$

The reliability of the satellite launcher is

$$R_{node}(t) = R_{2PM}(t) \cdot R_{2i/o}(t) \cdot R_{2b}(t).$$

c) The MTTF of the processor subsystem is

$$MTTF_{2PM} = \int_0^\infty R_{2PM}(t)dt = \int_0^\infty (1+c) \cdot e^{-\lambda_p t} - c \cdot e^{-2\lambda_p t} dt$$
$$= \left[ -\frac{(1+c)}{\lambda_p} \cdot e^{-\lambda_p t} + \frac{c}{2\lambda_p} \cdot e^{-2\lambda_p t} \right]_0^\infty$$
$$= \frac{1+c}{\lambda_p} - \frac{c}{2\lambda_p} = \frac{2+c}{2\lambda_p}$$

2. The system is modelled by viewing the disks and the processors as two independent primary subsystems. The processor subsystem is modelled using the following Markov model:



The label of each state represents the number of working processors. We obtain the following transition rate matrix from the Markov-model:

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} -2\lambda_p & 2\lambda_p & 0 & 0\\ \mu_p & -(\lambda_p + \mu_p) & \lambda_p & 0\\ 0 & 0 & -\mu_p & \mu_p\\ \mu_p & 0 & 0 & -\mu_p \end{bmatrix}$$

We also know that  $P(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . We obtain the following system of differential equations:

$$\begin{cases} P_{2}'(t) = -2\lambda_{p}P_{2}(t) + \mu_{p}P_{1}(t) + \mu_{p}P_{1'}(t) \\ P_{1}'(t) = 2\lambda_{p}P_{2}(t) - (\lambda_{p} + \mu_{p})P_{1}(t) \\ P_{0}'(t) = \lambda_{p}P_{1}(t) - \mu_{p}P_{0}(t) \\ P_{1'}'(t) = \mu_{p}P_{0}(t) - \mu_{p}P_{1'}(t) \end{cases}$$

Let  $t \to \infty$  and use  $\prod_i$  to denote  $\lim_{t\to\infty} P_i(t)$ . We obtain:

$$(0 = -2\lambda_p \Pi_2 + \mu_p \Pi_1 + \mu_p \Pi_{1'}$$
(1)

$$0 = 2\lambda_p \Pi_2 - (\lambda_p + \mu_p) \Pi_1$$
(2)

$$0 = \lambda_p \Pi_1 - \mu_p \Pi_0 \tag{3}$$

$$\left(0 = \mu_p \Pi_0 - \mu_p \Pi_{1'} \tag{4}\right)$$

We also have

$$\Pi_2 + \Pi_1 + \Pi_0 + \Pi_{1'} = 1. \tag{5}$$

We obtain the following expression for  $\Pi_1$  from (3):

$$\Pi_1 = \frac{\mu_p}{\lambda_p} \Pi_0 \tag{6}$$

Equation (4) gives:

$$\Pi_{1'} = \Pi_0 \tag{7}$$

Equations (2) and (6) give:

$$\Pi_2 = \frac{\lambda_p + \mu_p}{2\lambda_p} \Pi_1 = \frac{\lambda_p + \mu_p}{2\lambda_p} \cdot \frac{\mu_p}{\lambda_p} \Pi_0 = \frac{\lambda_p \mu_p + \mu_p^2}{2\lambda_p^2} \Pi_0$$
(8)

An expression for  $\Pi_0$  is obtained using (5):

$$\begin{split} &1 = \Pi_{2} + \Pi_{1} + \Pi_{0} + \Pi_{1'} \\ &= \frac{\lambda_{p}\mu_{p} + \mu_{p}^{2}}{2\lambda_{p}^{2}}\Pi_{0} + \frac{\mu_{p}}{\lambda_{p}}\Pi_{0} + \Pi_{0} + \Pi_{0} \\ &= \Pi_{0} \left( \frac{\lambda_{p}\mu_{p} + \mu_{p}^{2}}{2\lambda_{p}^{2}} + \frac{\mu_{p}}{\lambda_{p}} + 2 \right) = \Pi_{0} \cdot \frac{\lambda_{p}\mu_{p} + \mu_{p}^{2} + 2\lambda_{p}\mu_{p} + 4\lambda_{p}^{2}}{2\lambda_{p}^{2}} \\ &\Rightarrow \Pi_{0} = \frac{2\lambda_{p}^{2}}{3\lambda_{p}\mu_{p} + \mu_{p}^{2} + 4\lambda_{p}^{2}} \end{split}$$

The steady-state availability of the processors is:

$$\begin{split} \lim_{t \to \infty} A_{processors}(t) &= \Pi_2 + \Pi_1 = \frac{2\lambda_p^2}{3\lambda_p\mu_p + \mu_p^2 + 4\lambda_p^2} \cdot \left(\frac{\lambda_p\mu_p + \mu_p^2}{2\lambda_p^2} + \frac{\mu_p}{\lambda_p}\right) \\ &= \frac{2\lambda_p^2}{3\lambda_p\mu_p + \mu_p^2 + 4\lambda_p^2} \cdot \frac{3\lambda_p\mu_p + \mu_p^2}{2\lambda_p^2} \\ &= \frac{3\lambda_p\mu_p + \mu_p^2}{3\lambda_p\mu_p + \mu_p^2 + 4\lambda_p^2} \end{split}$$

The disk subsystem is modelled using the following Markov-model:



The Markov-model above is the same as for the processor subsystem, except for the failure rates. The steady-state availability of the disk subsystem is

$$\lim_{t\to\infty}A_{disks}(t)=\frac{3\lambda_d\mu_d+\mu_d^2}{3\lambda_d\mu_d+\mu_d^2+4\lambda_d^2}.$$

The steady-state availability of the system is calculated as

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} A_{system}(t) = A_{disks}(t) \cdot A_{processors}(t).$$

3. The system is described by the following GSPN model:



Markings of the GSPN model are represented as (*#pup #pdown #prepair*). The marking (0 2 2) corresponds to the event that the system is unavailable.