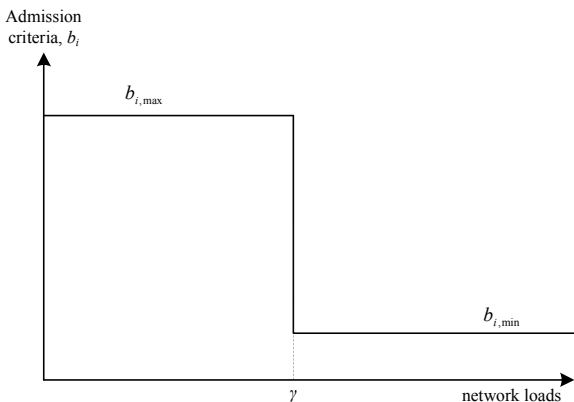
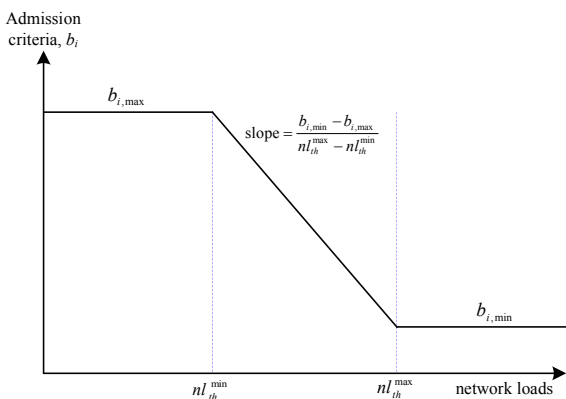
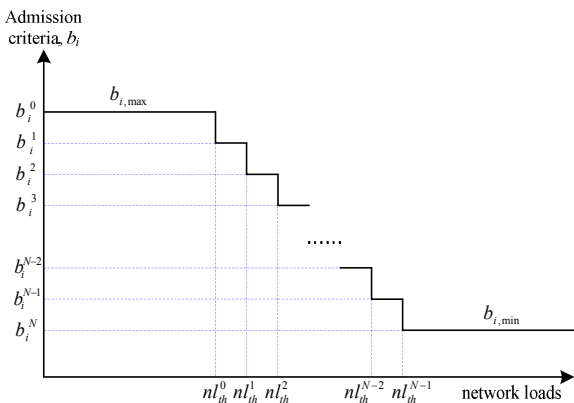




a. Hard-decision function



b. Linear function



c. Quantized-step function