
Fluid Limit of a Network with Fair Bandwidth Sharing and General Document Size Distributions

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Network structure

J links

I routes

$C_j > 0$ capacity of link j

$J \times I$ incidence matrix A

$$A_{ji} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if route } i \text{ uses link } j \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

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Bandwidth Λ_i/Z_i provided to each flow

Route i is processor sharing queue for fixed Z

Literature

Roberts & Massoulié '98

Mo & Walrand '00

de Veciana, Lee & Konstantopoulos '01

Bonald & Massoulié '01

Ye, Ou & Yuan '02

Kelly & Williams '03

Lakshmikantha & Srikant '04

Key, Massoulié, Bain & Kelly '03

Goals

Study stochastic model with *general* interarrival & document size distributions

- Stability
- Heavy traffic behavior

Important tools: *fluid models*

First step

- Propose fluid model
 - Justify approximation via limit theorem
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Strategies

Generalize measure valued process techniques
for GI/GI/1 processor sharing queue

Grishechkin '94

Jean-Marie & Robert '94

G, Puha & Williams '02

Puha & Williams '03

G '03

Puha, Stolyar & Williams '03

G & Kruk '04

Outline

Stochastic model

Fluid model

Limit theorem

Intuition

Stochastic model

Network

- J links
- I routes
- $J \times I$ incidence matrix A
- $C \in \mathbb{R}_+^J$ link capacities

Stochastic model

Primitives

For each route i

- Renewal arrival process $E_i(t)$ with rate ν_i
 k th document arrives at time τ_{ik}
- i.i.d. document sizes $\{v_{ik}\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ with distribution \mathcal{V}_i ,
mean μ_i^{-1} , cumulative process $V_i(n) = \sum_{k=1}^n v_{ik}$

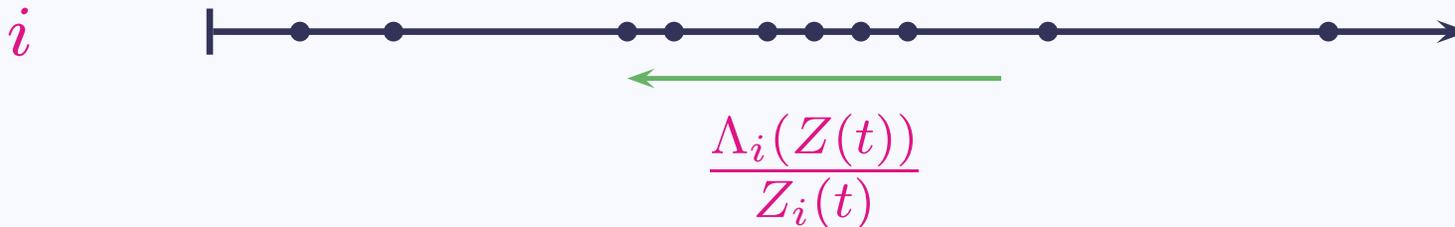
Stochastic model

Performance processes

$U_j(t)$ unused capacity for link j

For each route i

- $Z_i(t)$ queue length (number of documents)
- $W_i(t)$ workload
- $Z_i(t)$ residual document size measure



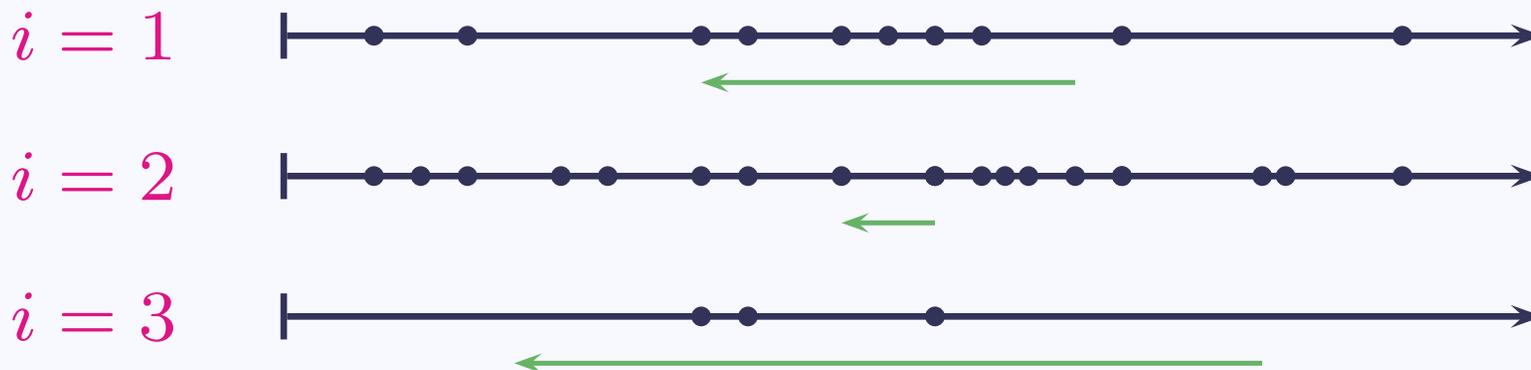
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$\mathcal{Z}(\cdot)$ takes values in $\mathbf{D}([0, \infty), \mathbf{M}^I)$

\mathbf{M} finite nonnegative Borel measures on \mathbb{R}_+

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Weak topology on \mathbf{M}

$\zeta_n \xrightarrow{w} \zeta$ iff $\langle g, \zeta_n \rangle \rightarrow \langle g, \zeta \rangle$ for all $g \in \mathbf{C}_b$

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$$Z_i(t) = \langle 1, \mathcal{Z}_i(t) \rangle \quad W_i(t) = \langle x, \mathcal{Z}_i(t) \rangle$$

Stochastic model

Rich description

Other functionals. . .

$$\langle 1_{[x, \infty)}, \mathcal{Z}(t) \rangle$$

$$\langle \log(x), \mathcal{Z}(t) \rangle$$

Stochastic model

Dynamic equations

For the vector valued processes

$$W(t) = W(0) + V(E(t)) - T(t)$$

$$U(t) = Ct - AT(t)$$

where $T_i(t) = \int_0^t \Lambda_i(Z(u)) du$

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Dynamic equations

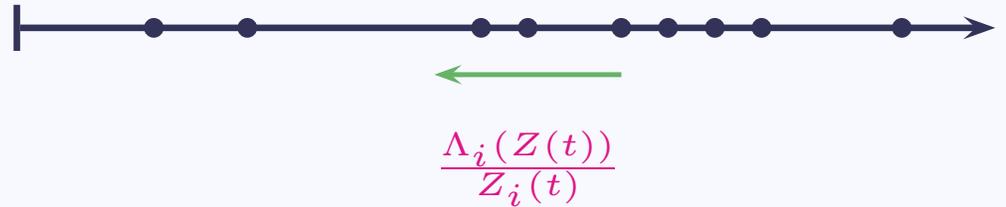
For the measure valued process

Projections $\langle g, \mathcal{Z}_i(\cdot) \rangle$ for all $g \in \mathcal{C}$

$$\mathcal{C} = \{g \in \mathbf{C}_b^1 : g(0) = g'(0) = 0\}$$

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Dynamic equations



Route i

$$\langle g, \mathcal{Z}_i(t) \rangle = \langle g(\cdot - S_i(t)), \mathcal{Z}_i(0) \rangle + \sum_{k=1}^{E_i(t)} g(v_{ik} - S_i(t) + S_i(\tau_{ik}))$$

where
$$S_i(t) = \int_0^t \frac{\Lambda_i(Z(u))}{Z_i(u)} du$$

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Law of large numbers approximation

Stochastic model

$$\mathcal{X} = (\mathcal{Z}, \mathcal{Z}, W, U)$$

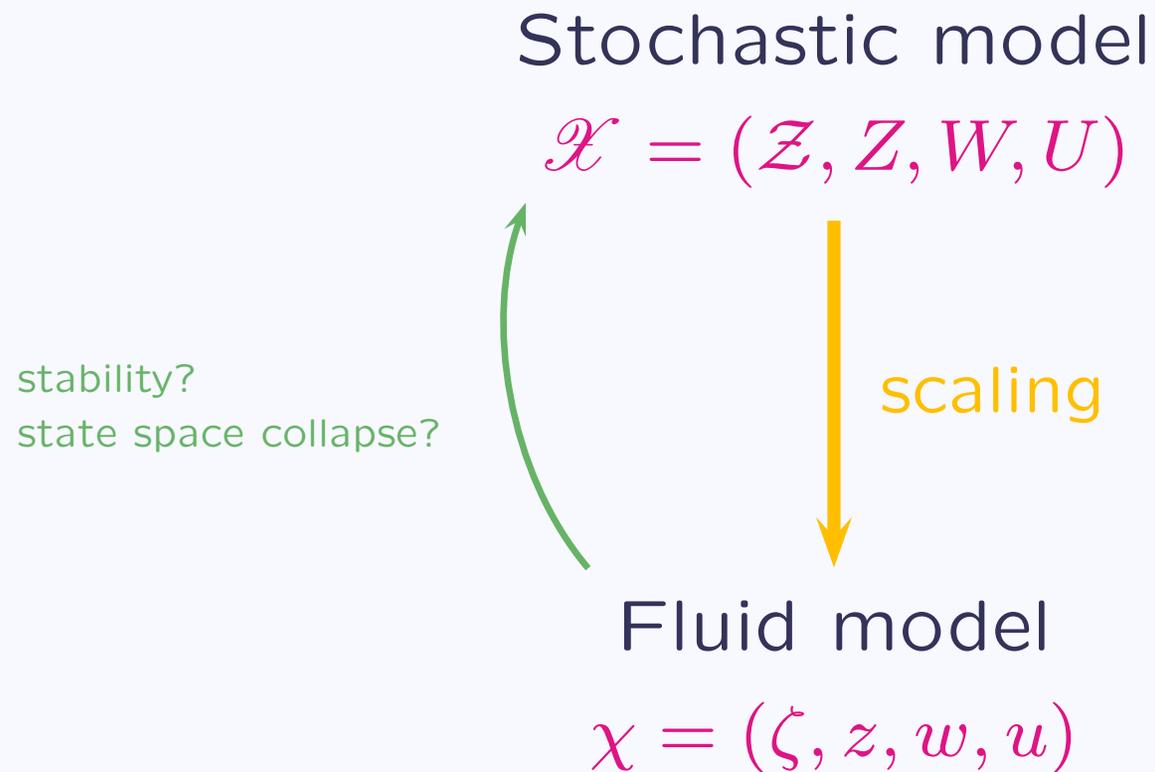


scaling

Fluid model

$$\chi = (\zeta, z, w, u)$$

Law of large numbers approximation



Fluid model

Network (J, I, A, C) as before

Primitive parameters (ν, ϑ)

- $\nu > 0$
- ϑ probability measure on \mathbb{R}_+ with mean μ^{-1}

Performance functions

$$\chi = (\zeta, z, w, u)$$

Fluid model

A fluid model solution $\chi = (\zeta, z, w, u)$ is a continuous function $\chi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbf{M}^I \times \mathbb{R}_+^I \times \mathbb{R}_+^I \times \mathbb{R}_+^J$ such that

(i) $z_i = \langle 1, \zeta_i \rangle$ for all $i \leq I$

(ii) For each $i \leq I$

$$w_i(t) = w_i(0) + \int_0^t (\rho_i - \Lambda_i(z(u)) \mathbf{1}_{(0, \infty)}(z_i(u))) du$$

(iii) For each $j \leq J$

$$u_j(t) = C_j t - \sum_i A_{ji} \int_0^t \Lambda_i(z(u)) du$$

is nondecreasing

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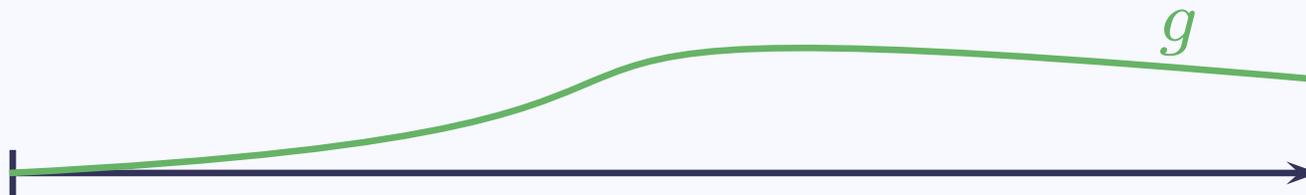
(iv) $\langle 1_{\{0\}}, \zeta_i \rangle = 0$, for all $i \leq I$

(v) For each $g \in \mathcal{C}$, $i \leq I$, $t \geq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle g, \zeta_i(t) \rangle = \langle g, \zeta_i(0) \rangle - \int_0^t \langle g', \zeta_i(u) \rangle \frac{\Lambda_i(z(u))}{z_i(u)} du \\ + \nu_i \langle g, \vartheta_i \rangle \int_0^t 1_{(0, \infty)}(z_i(u)) du \end{aligned}$$

Fluid model

Dynamic equation for ζ



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Sequence of systems

$$\mathcal{X}^r = (\mathcal{Z}^r, Z^r, W^r, U^r)$$

Fluid scaling $\bar{\mathcal{X}}^r(t) = \frac{1}{r} \mathcal{X}^r(rt)$

e.g. $\bar{\mathcal{Z}}_i^r(t) = \frac{1}{r} \mathcal{Z}_i^r(rt)$

Asymptotic assumptions

Arrivals

$$\nu^r \rightarrow \nu$$

$$\bar{E}^r(t) \rightarrow \nu t \text{ u.o.c.}$$

Document sizes

$$\vartheta^r \xrightarrow{w} \vartheta$$

$$\limsup \langle x^{1+\epsilon}, \vartheta^r \rangle < \infty$$

$$(\Rightarrow \mu^r \rightarrow \mu)$$

Initial condition

$$(\bar{\mathcal{Z}}^r(0), \bar{W}^r(0)) \xrightarrow{w} (\mathcal{Z}^0, \langle x, \mathcal{Z}^0 \rangle) \in \mathbf{M}^I \times \mathbb{R}_+^I$$

$$\langle 1_{\{x\}}, \mathcal{Z}^0 \rangle = 0 \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R}_+$$

Limit theorem

Theorem (G-Williams) The sequence $\{\mathcal{X}^r\}$ is C-tight; each weak limit point $\bar{\mathcal{X}} = (\bar{\mathcal{Z}}, \bar{Z}, \bar{W}, \bar{U})$ is a.s. a fluid model solution

\Rightarrow processes $\bar{\mathcal{X}}$ approximate the dynamics of \mathcal{X}^r

Measure valued approximation

- detailed description of residual document sizes
- facilitates proof
- extensible, e.g., add information tracking timing requirements or sojourn times (cf. G-Kruk '04)

Other work on queueing systems using m.v.p.

Krichagina & Puhalskii '97

Doytchinov, Lehoczky & Shreve '01

Kruk, Lehoczky, Shreve & Yeung '02 '03

Limic '00 '01

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Overview

C-tightness of $\{\mathcal{X}^r\}$

compact containment

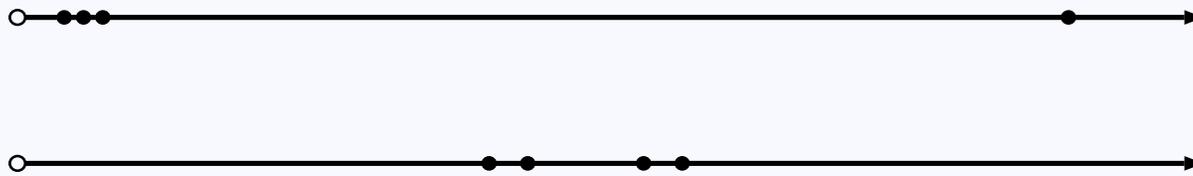
oscillation control

Characterization of limit points

Controlling oscillations

For each $g \in \mathbf{C}_b$ and $\epsilon > 0$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{P} \left(\left\| \langle g, \bar{\mathcal{Z}}^r(\cdot + h) \rangle - \langle g, \bar{\mathcal{Z}}^r(\cdot) \rangle \right\|_T \leq \epsilon \right) = 1$$



For $i = 1, 2$, $\langle 1, \bar{\mathcal{Z}}_i^r(t) \rangle = a$ and $\langle x, \bar{\mathcal{Z}}_i^r(t) \rangle = b$

Must rule out large drop in $\langle g, \bar{\mathcal{Z}}_1^r(\cdot) \rangle$ during $[t, t + h]$

Characterizing the limit ζ

$$(\bar{Z}_i^r \xrightarrow{w} \zeta_i \text{ u.o.c.})$$

Suppose $\zeta_i(u) > 0$ on $[s, t]$

Dynamic equation for \bar{Z}_i^r

$$\begin{aligned} \langle g, \bar{Z}_i^r(t) \rangle &= \langle g(\cdot - \bar{S}_i^r(t) + \bar{S}_i^r(s)), \bar{Z}_i^r(s) \rangle \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{r} \sum_{k=r\bar{E}^r(s)+1}^{r\bar{E}_i^r(t)} g\left(v_{ik} - \bar{S}_i^r(t) + \bar{S}_i^r(r^{-1}\tau_{ik})\right) \end{aligned}$$

Dynamic equation for ζ_i

$$\begin{aligned} \langle g, \zeta_i(t) \rangle &= \langle g, \zeta_i(s) \rangle - \int_s^t \langle g', \zeta_i(u) \rangle \frac{\Lambda_i(z(u))}{z_i(u)} du \\ &\quad + \nu_i \langle g, \vartheta_i \rangle \int_s^t 1_{(0, \infty)}(z_i(u)) du \end{aligned}$$

Characterizing the limit ζ

$$(\bar{\mathcal{Z}}_i^r \xrightarrow{w} \zeta_i \text{ u.o.c.})$$

$$t_n = n(t - s)/N \text{ and } t^n = t_{n+1}$$

$$\langle g, \bar{\mathcal{Z}}_i^r(t) \rangle - \langle g, \bar{\mathcal{Z}}_i^r(s) \rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} (\langle g, \bar{\mathcal{Z}}_i^r(t^n) \rangle - \langle g, \bar{\mathcal{Z}}_i^r(t_n) \rangle)$$

Add and subtract

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \left(\langle g, \bar{\mathcal{Z}}_i^r(t^n) \rangle - \langle g(\cdot - \bar{S}_i^r(t^n) + \bar{S}_i^r(t_n)), \bar{\mathcal{Z}}_i^r(t_n) \rangle \right) \\ &\quad + \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \left(\langle g(\cdot - \bar{S}_i^r(t^n) + \bar{S}_i^r(t_n)), \bar{\mathcal{Z}}_i^r(t_n) \rangle - \langle g, \bar{\mathcal{Z}}_i^r(t_n) \rangle \right) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \frac{1}{r} \sum_{k=r\bar{E}_i^r(t_n)+1}^{r\bar{E}_i^r(t^n)} g \left(v_{ik}^r - \bar{S}_i^r(t^n) + \bar{S}_i^r(r^{-1}\tau_{ik}^r) \right) \\
 &\quad + \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \langle g(\cdot - \bar{S}_i^r(t^n) + \bar{S}_i^r(t_n)) - g(\cdot), \bar{Z}_i^r(t_n) \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

Taylor's formula

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\approx \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \frac{1}{r} \sum_{k=r\bar{E}_i^r(t_n)+1}^{r\bar{E}_i^r(t^n)} g(v_{ik}^r) \\
 &\quad + \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \left\langle -g'(\cdot)\Lambda_i(\bar{Z}^r(t_n))\bar{Z}_i^r(t_n)^{-1}N^{-1}, \bar{Z}_i^r(t_n) \right\rangle
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Law of large numbers, bounded convergence

$$\rightarrow \nu_i \langle g, \vartheta_i \rangle (t - s) - \int_s^t \langle g', \zeta_i(u) \rangle \frac{\Lambda_i(z(u))}{z_i(u)} du$$

Characterizing the limit ζ

$$(\bar{Z}_i^r \xrightarrow{w} \zeta_i \text{ u.o.c.})$$

Can show absolute continuity of $\langle g, \zeta_i(\cdot) \rangle$

At a regular time t

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle g, \zeta_i(t) \rangle = \begin{cases} -\langle g', \zeta_i(t) \rangle \frac{\Lambda_i(z(t))}{z_i(t)} + \nu_i \langle g, \vartheta_i \rangle, & \text{if } z_i(t) \neq 0 \\ 0, & \text{if } z_i(t) = 0 \end{cases}$$

Integrate to get

$$\begin{aligned} \langle g, \zeta_i(t) \rangle - \langle g, \zeta_i(0) \rangle &= - \int_0^t \langle g', \zeta_i(u) \rangle \frac{\Lambda_i(z(u))}{z_i(u)} du \\ &\quad + \nu_i \langle g, \vartheta_i \rangle \int_0^t 1_{(0, \infty)}(z_i(u)) du \end{aligned}$$

Next steps

- Steady state behavior
- Stability
- State space collapse
- Diffusion approximation