



Modeling and Implementation of a Scheduling of Information to maximize processing in a Network Telecommunications

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ABSTRACT

The computer networks are based on the Internet protocol conceived from the origin to transport data in more heterogeneous usage (telephony IP, video at request, distributed interactive games, telemedicine, video-conference and audio). These information fluxes or these services before being treated are classified, organized and stocked according to priority rules in different waiting files.

To maximize the treatment of these data, we offer in this work a simple and practical step for modeling and implementing information scheduling in the bandwidth. This step respects the priority rules and eliminates in priori any form of wasting of time at the level of service. It consists of maximizing the use of the bandwidth for different types of traffic in a telecommunication network.

The proposed algorithm consists of serving the traffics that have priorities and to exploit dynamically what remains of the bandwidth in the profile of the least priority traffics while respecting at the very least the part of every traffic in the bandwidth.

The problem is mathematically modeled by an integer linear program (ILP) and in continuation resolute theoretically in general case and numerically in case priority at the level of services. At the end, practical examples to illustrate work are given.

Indexing terms/Keywords

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1. INTRODUCTION

Networks of telecommunications have known an unprecedented development which has been accompanied by an important development of their complexity during last decade. The mastery of these complex services requires models and tools allowing to optimize, to assess to improve and to predict the performances of networks.

The appearance of new services including voice, the video at request and distributed interactive games deeply has changed IP architecture. This modification is due to networks with commutation in mode packet which are based on the protocol IP, such as the telephone service which is conceived at origin to transport computer data. This service (phone calls, messages, transfer of files, remote access) results from the heterogeneity of data and from the new techniques of communication which depend on the capacity of network. Such deployment of these services requires a good functioning in terms quality of Service (QoS) on network IP.

Once packets are marked and put in different queues according to the value of the service class identified in the letterhead IP, they will be served by scheduler. This last uses algorithms and disciplines of scheduling which allow controlling the distribution of resources.

For any period, his part or his proportion in the bandwidth according to priority rules are normally reserved for every type of information. It is possible that for the given period P_n , there are fewer prioritier packets and more less priority packets in queues. Consequently, the bandwidth will not be used at the farthest or maximum. In that case, the processing and the activity of the servers cannot be maximized because of less priority information which can be treated for this period are penalized and leave in next periods. From point of view valuation and performance, this is a bad quality of service since there is increase of the percentage of server inactivity and throughout, the use of the bandwidth for the period will not be maximized. It is in this spirit where is this work, which consists in giving a contribution to the maximization of the processing in a communications network. That is offering a step which models and that implements a scheduling of information to maximize the processing in a telecommunications network. Introduction defined the reflexing frame in which is this work. It introduced the problems approached as well as the contributions in the field of data processing in a communications network. Continuation is constituted of 3 paragraphs: In the 2nd paragraph, they model mathematically the problem put down by an integer linear program (ILP). In the 3rd paragraph, a practical solution and numerical of problem are given when there are priority rules at the level of services. In the 4th paragraph, the work by examples is illustrated. Conclusion takes back the main lines of this study and our contribution. She also shows various continuations and the possible perspectives of this work.

2. Modeling of problem :

Once packets are marked and put in different queues according to the value of the service class identified in the letterhead IP, they will be dynamically served by a scheduler in the bandwidth to be processed.

This problem simplifies under following form:

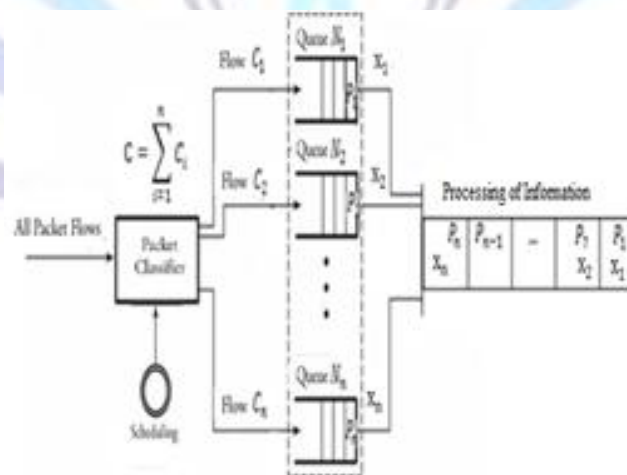


Fig1. Classification and processing of packets

We considered:



- N = the number maximum of packets which can be processed during period by the system (capacity of the bandwidth);
- K = the number of queues in the system (queue N_i for $1 \leq i \leq K$);
- p_i = the minimal proportion of packets of the queue N_i to be processed among all the packets treated by the system periodically, with $1 \leq i \leq K$;

For every period P_n they note:

- C_i = the number of packets or of giving stocked in the queue N_i for $1 \leq i \leq K$;
- x_i = the number of packets of the queue N_i to be processed for $1 \leq i \leq K$. This number depends on the state of the queue (presence or not of a flux).

Problem to be solved consists, for given period P_n , in implementing a scheduling of information in the bandwidth to maximize the processing, while respecting constraints and throughout to maximize the use of this bandwidth.

Problem can be mathematically modeled by the model following (ILP):

$$(S) \begin{cases} \text{Max} \left(\sum_{i=1}^K x_i \right) \\ \text{S.C. } x_i \leq C_i \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq K \\ x_i \geq \text{Min}\{C_i, p_i N\} \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq K \\ \sum_{i=1}^K x_i \leq N \\ x_i \in \mathbb{N} \end{cases}$$

Proof: we remark that the number of packets which can be processed at the maximum during period P_n is:

$$\text{Max}(Z) = \text{Max} \left(\sum_{i=1}^K x_i \right) = \text{Min} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^K C_i, N \right\}$$

Two cases can present:

First case: $C = \sum_{i=1}^K C_i \leq N \Rightarrow \text{Max}(Z) = \sum_{i=1}^K C_i$

They pose, for $1 \leq i \leq K$, $x_i = C_i$. Then (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_K) check constraints and were:

$$Z = \sum_{i=1}^{i=K} C_i = \text{Max}(Z)$$

Therefore it is an optimum solution of problem (S).

Suppose that there exists another solution $(x'_1, x'_2, \dots, x'_K) \neq (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_K)$, then $\exists j \in \{1, \dots, K\}$ such as $x'_j \neq x_j = C_j$.

As $x'_j \leq C_j$, we deduce that $x'_j < C_j$ and therefore

$$Z = \sum_{i=1}^K x'_i = \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ i \neq j}}^K x'_i + x'_j < \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ i \neq j}}^K C_i + C_j = \sum_{i=1}^K C_i = \text{Max}(Z)$$

Contradiction. So (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_K) is a unique solution of problem (S).



Second case: $C = \sum_{i=1}^{i=K} C_i > N \Rightarrow \text{Max}(Z) = N$

they consider $N_c = \{i \in \{1, \dots, K\} / C_i > p_i N\}$, they pose:

$$x_i = \begin{cases} C_i & \text{si } i \notin N_c \\ r_i \text{ with } r_i \in [p_i N, C_i] \text{ and } \sum_{i \in N_c} r_i = N - \sum_{i \notin N_c} C_i & \text{si } i \in N_c \end{cases}$$

Then (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_K) check constraints and

$$\sum_{i=1}^{i=K} x_i = \sum_{i \in N_c} r_i + \sum_{i \notin N_c} C_i = N = \text{Max}(Z)$$

Therefore it is an optimum solution of problem (S).

Remark: If $C = \sum_{i=1}^{i=K} C_i > N$ then solution is not unique, in general.

3.The resolution method

The solution that we propose is, for each period, to reserve for $1 \leq i \leq K$, $\text{Min}\{C_i, p_i N\}$ packets queue N_i bandwidth and supplemented by the remaining queue respecting the order of priority.

Proposition : If queues in order of importance are organized by giving priority to the first queue N1 then the second queue N2 then the third queue N3 and so on, they have optimum solution of (S) following:

$$(1) \begin{cases} x_1 = \text{Min} \left\{ C_1, N - \sum_{i=2}^K \text{Min}\{C_i, p_i N\} \right\} \\ x_i = \text{Min} \left\{ C_i, N - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} x_j - \sum_{j=i+1}^K \text{Min}\{C_j, p_j N\} \right\} \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq K \\ x_K = \text{Min} \left\{ C_K, N - \sum_{j=1}^{K-1} x_j \right\} \end{cases}$$

Proof:

1st case: $C = \sum_{i=1}^{i=K} C_i \leq N$

In that case $x_i = C_i$ for $1 \leq i \leq K \Rightarrow \text{Max}(Z) = \sum_{i=1}^K C_i$.

2nd case: $C = \sum_{i=1}^{i=K} C_i > N$

They reserve in the bandwidth, $x_i = \text{Min}\{C_i, p_i N\}$ packets of the queue N_i for $1 \leq i \leq K$. There remain $N - \sum_{i=1}^K \text{Min}\{C_i, p_i N\}$ packets there to be affected.

- As the queue N_1 is the 1st priority 1st, they change, if it is necessary, the value of x_1 by :

$$x_1 = \text{Min} \left\{ C_1, \text{Min}\{C_1, p_1 N\} + N - \sum_{i=1}^K \text{Min}\{C_i, p_i N\} \right\}$$

That is to say:

$$x_1 = \text{Min} \left\{ C_1, N - \sum_{i=2}^K \text{Min}\{C_i, p_i N\} \right\}$$



x_1 check constraint:

$$\text{Min}\{C_1, p_1 N\} \leq x_1 \leq C_1$$

Because

$$\text{Min}\{C_1, p_1 N\} \leq p_1 N = N - \sum_{i=2}^K p_i N \leq N - \sum_{i=2}^K \text{Min}\{C_i, p_i N\}$$

There remain $N - x_1 - \sum_{i=2}^K \text{Min}\{C_i, p_i N\}$ packets there to be affected.

- Then, as the queue L_2 is the 2nd priority, they change, if it is necessary, the value of x_2 by :

$$x_2 = \text{Min} \left\{ C_2, \text{Min}\{C_2, p_2 N\} + N - x_1 - \sum_{i=2}^K \text{Min}\{C_i, p_i N\} \right\}$$

That is to say:

$$x_2 = \text{Min} \left\{ C_1, N - x_1 - \sum_{i=3}^K \text{Min}\{C_i, p_i N\} \right\}$$

x_2 check constraint:

$$\text{Min}\{C_2, p_2 N\} \leq x_2 \leq C_2$$

Because

$$x_1 \leq N - \sum_{i=2}^K \text{Min}\{C_i, p_i N\} = N - \text{Min}\{C_2, p_2 N\} - \sum_{i=3}^K \text{Min}\{C_i, p_i N\}$$

That is to say:

$$\text{Min}\{C_2, p_2 N\} \leq N - x_1 - \sum_{i=3}^K \text{Min}\{C_i, p_i N\}$$

There remain $N - x_1 - x_2 - \sum_{i=3}^K \text{Min}\{C_i, p_i N\}$ packets there to be affected.

- So in succession...

As $C = \sum_{i=1}^K C_i > N$ and $\sum_{i=1}^K p_i N = N$ there is $K' \in \{1, 2, \dots, K - 1\}$ such as:

$$N - \sum_{i=1}^{K'} x_i - \sum_{i=K'+1}^K \text{Min}\{C_i, p_i N\} = 0$$

That is to say, from $K' + 1$, x_i can't be changed and therefore:

$$x_i = \text{Min}\{C_i, p_i N\} \text{ pour } K' + 1 \leq i \leq K$$

$$\text{So } \sum_{i=1}^K x_i = N \Rightarrow Z = N$$

What justifies that solution given by equations (1) is an optimum solution of the system (S).

4. Examples of application

In these examples, taking that $K= 4$, $N = 400$ and the queues are privilege as follows:

- Queue $N1 \rightarrow$ high priority (Example voice) ;



- Queue N2 → medium priority (Example Data) ;
- Queue N3 → normal priority (Example Multimedia) ;
- Queue N4 → low priority (Example downloading).

Table 1. the numerical resultats for different examples in the case of K=4 and N=400

P_1	P_2	P_3	P_4	C_1	C_2	C_3	C_4	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4	$\sum_{i=1}^K C_i$	Z
100%	0%	0%	0%	0	0	20	80	0	0	20	80	100	100
100%	0%	0%	0%	400	200	30	40	400	0	0	0	670	400
60%	20%	15%	5%	400	300	20	100	280	80	20	20	820	400
90%	7%	3%	0%	0	0	0	50	0	0	0	50	50	50
75%	20%	4%	1%	100	200	60	100	100	200	60	40	460	400
60%	20%	15%	5%	400	300	20	100	0	0	20	80	100	100

Simulation of resultat

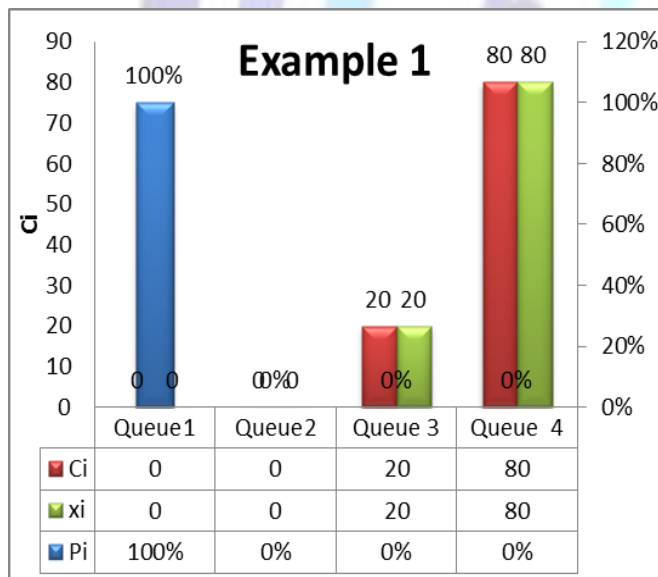


FIG2 EXAMPLE 1 FOR THE CASE: K=4, N=400

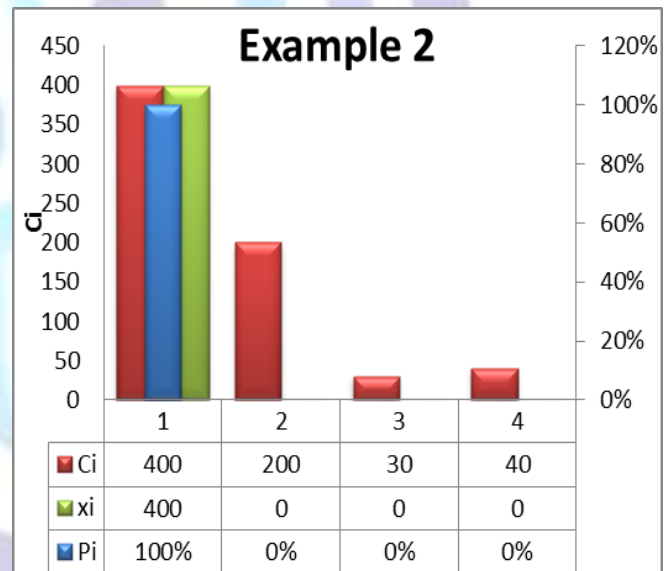


FIG3 EXAMPLE 2 FOR THE CASE: K=4, N=400

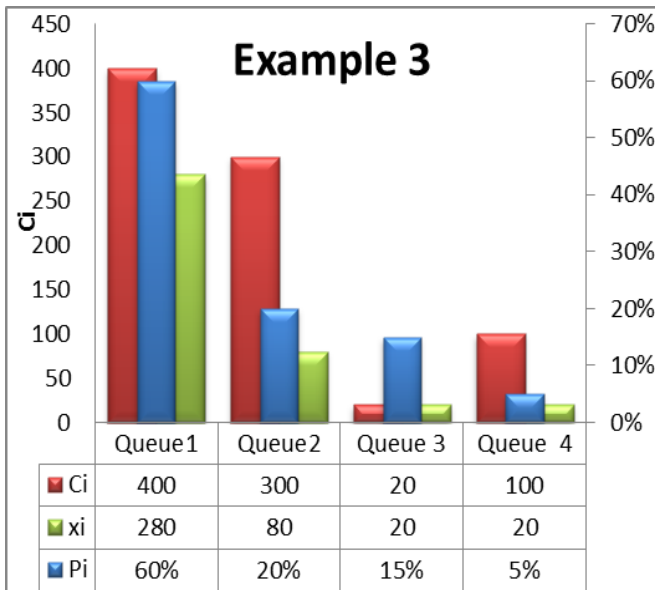


FIG4 EXAMPLE 3 FOR THE CASE: K=4, N=400

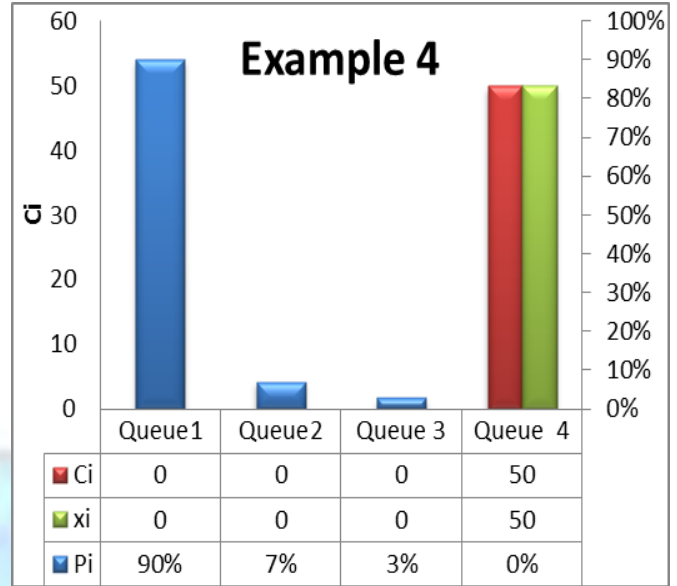


FIG5 EXAMPLE 4 FOR THE CASE: K=4, N=400

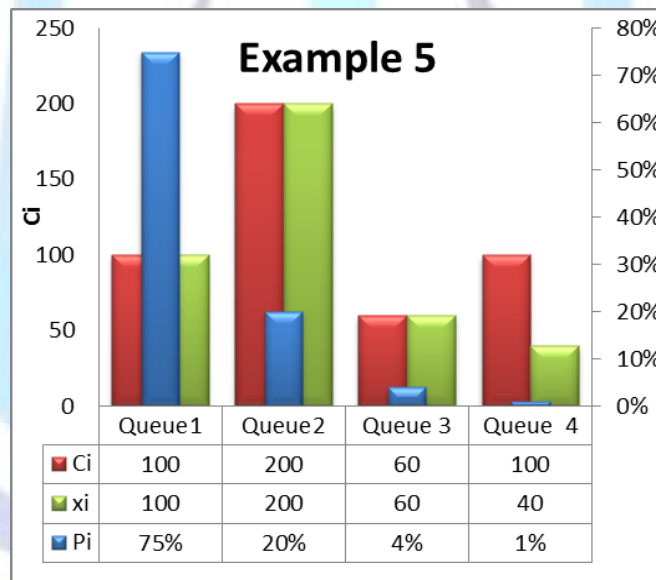


FIG6 EXAMPLE 5 FOR THE CASE: K=4, N=400

5 . CONCLUSION

The accomplished work consists in conceiving a practical and pragmatic step of implementation of a scheduling of information to maximize the treatment in a network for given period P_n . So, a method of mathematical modeling and a numerical resolution described above was offered.

This work opens the way to our sense towards various research perspectives which are on two plans: a plan of deepening of accomplished research and plan of widening of research domain.

As for the deepening of offered work, he would be interesting at first of:

- use the algorithm of GOMORY to solve numerically the program (s).
- offer or conceive practical tools of the implementation of offered step;
- defecate step by studying the roles of the actors and define them for every stage of step.



As for widening of the domain of research, he would be interesting of:

- link up this step with the governance of information systems;
- guarantee QOS at the level of routing of information;
- find a solution in case of surcharge who could degrade severely the service level given in the different fluxes;
- Resolve the problem of loss of packets in the case of saturation of queues.

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