

Capacity-Delay-Error-Boundaries: A Composable Model of Sources and Systems

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Information vs. queueing theory

Information theory focuses on averages and asymptotic limits of

- ▶ the data rate of a source,
- the capacity of a channel.

It does, however, not consider delays that are due to their variability.

Unlike queueing theory that considers

- ▶ the burstiness of sources and statistical multiplexing,
- delays and loss that can be traded for capacity,

but assumes statistics of sources.





Outline

Basic Concepts

Additivity of the Capacity-Delay-Error Model

Composite systems

Conclusions





Network Calculus [Chang '00]







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Statistical network calculus [LFL '14]



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Performance bounds





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For a constant rate server with capacity \boldsymbol{c}





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For a constant rate server with capacity c







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For a constant rate server with capacity \boldsymbol{c}



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$$d_A = \mathcal{L}_A(c)/c$$
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Source







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For a constant arrival rate c



$$d_S = \mathcal{L}_S(c)/c$$
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System [ALB '13]





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Composite systems





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Feasible Operating Points





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Conclusions

Legendre transforms of $E_A(t)$ and $E_S(t)$

- additive backlog and delay bounds
- permits analyzing sources and channels separately
- have the interpretation of a capacity-delay-error-tradeoff
- model includes
 - memoryless sources, Markov sources,
 - ► Huffman, Shannon, Lempel-Ziv coders,
 - discrete memoryless channels
 - block coding, e.g., BCH codes
- ► can be a step towards a unified theory ...





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