

# KBAC: Knowledge-Based Admission Control

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# Motivation

## Growing traffic volume

- ▶ e.g., streaming, live video watching, P2P, video games

## Satisfy QoS ? $\Rightarrow$ Admission control

## Accept or Reject a new incoming flow

- ▶ too many acceptances  $\Rightarrow$  performance collapse
- ▶ too many rejections  $\Rightarrow$  low level of resource utilization

## Existing admission control solutions

- ▶ measurement algorithm & decision algorithm
- ▶ difficult to calibrate

## Objective

- ▶ avoid the critical step of calibration
- ▶ Knowledge-Based Admission Control solution (KBAC)

# Plan

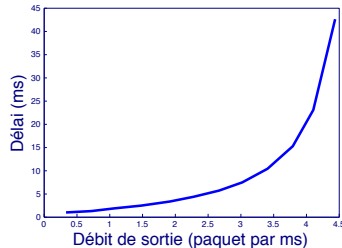
KBAC

Performance evaluation

Conclusion

## Our approach

Link behavior  $\iff$  mono-server queue



Which queue to chose ?

- ▶  $G/G/1$  queue, but how to solve it ?
- ▶  $M/G/1$  queue, simple solution for its steady-state but general enough ?

How to chose the queue parameter values ?

- ▶ in a dynamic and automatic way

## Major steps

### Measurement algorithm

- ▶ on short timescale, collect couples of  $(X,P)$
- ▶  $X$  = actual throughput
- ▶  $P$  = packet delay or packet loss rate
- ▶  $(X,P)$  = *measurement point*

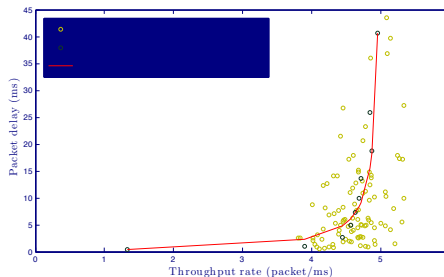
### Knowledge Plane

- ▶ too many data  $\Rightarrow$  *K-means* clustering method
- ▶ partition *measurement points* into  $k$  *centroid points*
- ▶ model the behavior by a mono-server queue (*M/G/1* queue or *M/G/1/K* queue)
- ▶  $f_P$  = the discovered queue

## Illustration

### Example

- ▶ here,  $P$  = packet delay
- ▶ the found  $M/G/1$  queue ( $\mu = 5.01$ ,  $CV = 2.02$  and  $off = 0.08$ )



Example of a Knowledge Plane

## Avoid the flood of information

Too many *measurement points*  $(X,P)$

- ▶ keep only 1000 points

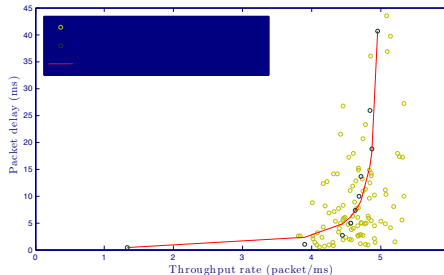
But which of them ?

- ▶ the 1000 last points are the most recent
- ▶ but very likely to all look alike  $\Rightarrow$  loss of information
- ▶ instead, we split the possible range of throughput in 10 intervals
- ▶ and we enforce the existence of 20  $(X,P)$  in each throughput interval

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## Decision algorithm

### Performance prediction

- ▶ new flow requesting admission, with a peak rate  $r$
- ▶ the expected performance  $\Rightarrow \hat{P} = f_P(X + r)$

### A new flow is accepted if

- ▶  $\hat{P} + \alpha \hat{\sigma}_p < P^*$
- ▶  $P^*$  = target performance
- ▶  $\hat{\sigma}_p$  = standard deviation of  $\hat{P}$
- ▶  $\alpha$  = tuning parameter (*Chebyshev's inequality*  $Q = 75\% \Rightarrow \alpha = 1.7$ )

## Scenario

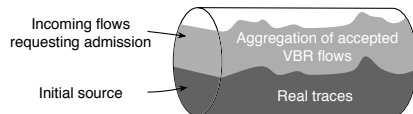
### Initial source

- ▶ *real traffic trace*
- ▶ *Average rate = 2.5 Mbps*

### Incoming flows (VBR)

- ▶ *Sending rate = 64 Kbps*
- ▶ *Packet size = 190 bytes*
- ▶ *CV = 2.5*
- ▶ *Poisson arrivals*

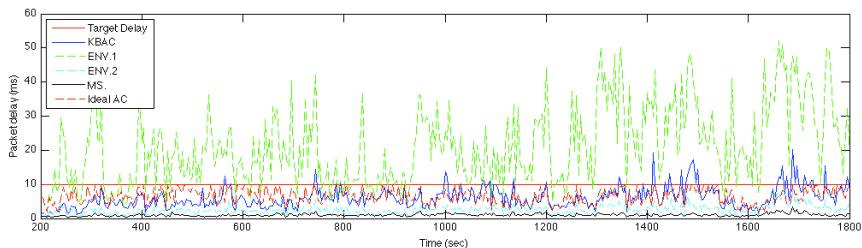
### Single communication link



- ▶ *Capacity,  $C = 10$  Mbps*
- ▶ *Queue size = 60 ms*
- ▶ *Queueing discipline*  
*FIFO (First In First Out)*
- ▶ *Queue management algorithm*  
*Drop-Tail*

$$P^* = 10\text{ms}$$

	KBAC	MS	ENV.1	ENV.2	Ideal
% accepted flows	28%	19%	32%	24%	30%
% QoS violation	2%	0%	55%	0%	0%



Performance of admission control solutions

# Conclusion

## Knowledge-Based Admission Control solution (KBAC)

### Data-driven and evolutive solution

- ▶ dynamic environnement
- ▶ no assumption on the traffic

### Performance

- ▶ avoids the critical step of precisely calibrating key parameters
- ▶ good trade-off between flow performance and resource utilization
- ▶ automatic adjustment of admission policy according to the actual variations on the traffic conditions

### Futur work

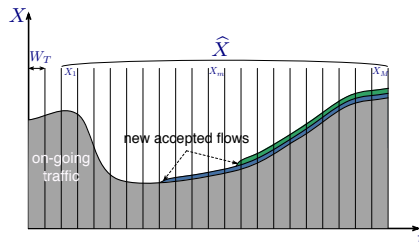
- ▶ extend to packet loss rate

## *Questions ...*

$\hat{X}$  = the adjusted throughput

Why?

- ▶ to avoid the erratic behavior of  $X$



Estimation of the adjusted throughput  $\hat{X}$

- ▶ computed over the last  $M$  measurement windows
- ▶ ponderation of the peak rate + average value of the throughput