A Residual Service Curve of Rate-Latency Server Used by Sporadic Flows Computable in Quadratic Time for Network Calculus (Artifact)

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— Abstract -

Computing response times for resources shared by periodic workloads (tasks or data flows) can be very time consuming as it depends on the least common multiple of the periods. In a previous study, a quadratic algorithm was provided to upper bound the response time of a set of periodic tasks with a fixedpriority scheduling. The related paper generalises this result by considering a rate-latency server and sporadic workloads and gives a response time and residual curve that can be used in other contexts. It also provides a formal proof in the Coq language. This artifact enables to reproduce this proof.

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1 Scope

This artifact enables to reproduce the formal proof of the related paper.

2 Content

The artifact package includes:

- a README.md;
- a theories/ folder containing the source code of the Coq formal proof (files with the .v extension);
- a Makefile relying on a _CoqProject file to help build the proof.

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3 Getting the artifact

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4 Tested platforms

The artifact requires a system able to run the Coq software.

5 License

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6 MD5 sum of the artifact

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7 Size of the artifact

15 kiB

A Artifact evaluation

The provided artifact enables to reproduce the formal proof of Section 4.2 of the related paper¹.

A.1 Virtual Machine

A virtual machine with all required softwares already installed is provided at https://zenodo.org/record/4734308 with instructions in its file /home/ecrts21/Coq/README.md. If need be, the login/password of the virtual machine are ecrts21/ecrts21. The remaining alternatively details installation and compilation on a fresh system.

A.2 Installation and compilation on a fresh system

A.2.1 Prerequisites

This needs:

- Coq (tested with version 8.13.0)
- the MathComp library (components ssreflect and algebra, tested with version 1.12.0)
- the Mathcomp analysis library (tested with version 0.3.5)
- the Coquelicot library (tested with version 3.2.0)
- the Flocq library (tested with version 3.4.0)

The scripts for reproducing the evaluation of Section 5 can unfortunately not be shared as they rely on some proprietary software.

To install all those dependencies, the easisest solution is to use the package manager OPAM https://opam.ocaml.org/:

This should take a few dozen minutes. Note that you'll need OPAM 2 (old OPAM 1 won't work). This may require a few system dependencies, for instance the development files of the GMP library which can be installed by apt-get install libgmp-dev on Debian based systems, before re-running opam install

A.2.2 Compilation

Once above prerequisites are installed, just type make:

% make

The proof succeeds when there is no errors and a file.vo file is produced for each file.v in theories/. One can also check for the absence of additional axioms in the code (presence of the keywords Axiom, Parameter or Admitted).

A.2.3 Documentation

To generate the documentation:

% make doc

You can then open html/toc.html with your favorite browser or more precisely html/qbound.quadratic_bound.html for the proof of the main theorem.