
On the Generalisation of the Zipf-Mandelbrot Distribution and its Application to the Study of Queues with Heavy Tails

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Outline

- *Motivation: Info. Theory, Statistical Mechanics & Quantification Theory → Queues with bursty & heavy tails*
- *Maximum Entropy (ME) Formalism*
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- *An Extended ME (EME) Formalism*
 - *EME Solutions for the State Probability Distributions of queues with heavy tails*
- *Numerical Experiments*
- *Conclusions and further remarks on the ME extension to the analysis of open QNMs*

*Motivation: Information Theory, Statistical Mechanics
& Quantification Theory → Queues with Bursty & Heavy Tails*

To consider alternative analytic methodologies for queues with bursty and heavy tails, based on a balanced trade-off between simplified assumptions to reduce complexity and actual real life system behaviour, leading to credible and cost-effective approximations for performance prediction and optimisation of telecommunication systems.

*Extended ME Formalism, Statistical Mechanics
& Long-Range Interactions*

In Statistical Mechanics:

Energy are assumed to be

- “Extensive” variables

such as **total energy** \rightarrow \sim system size

(c.f., due to **short-range** interactions e.g., chemical bonds)

Similarly, **entropy** is also assumed to be extensive.

- “Non-extensive” variables

\rightarrow energy no longer \sim system size

(c.f., due to **long-range** interactions such as **gravity**)

This makes life difficult in **Statistical Mechanics!**

*Extended ME Formalism, Statistical Mechanics
& Long-Range Interactions*

□ *Maximum Entropy (ME) Principle*

{**max Gibbs** ‘**Extensive**’ Entropy Function,

subject to a **mean value constraint** of a quantity
(e.g., system energy, # of molecules, volume)}

Applying Method of Lagrange Undetermined Multipliers

→ **Geometric** Steady State Prob. Distribution

(Lagrange multipliers are
“intensive” variables \Leftrightarrow “extensive” ones with constrained means
(e.g., energy \Leftrightarrow temperature, volume \Leftrightarrow pressure,
of molecules \Leftrightarrow chemical potential etc))

*Extended ME Formalism, Statistical Mechanics
& Long-Range Interactions*

■ *Generalised Maximum Entropy Principle*

{max the Havrda-Charvat 'non-extensive' entropy function (a quantitative measure of classification, subject to a mean value constraint)}

→ *Zipf-Mandelbrot Steady State Prob. Distribution* with power-law (heavy) tails and non-extensivity real-valued parameter q

→ *Analogies with Statistical Mechanics applications* [Tsallis 1988] and *the analysis of queues with bursty traffic & heavy tails* [Assi 2000], [Kouvatsos & Assi 2002] / *LRD traffic & heavy tails* [Karmeshu & Sharma 2005], [Kouvatsos & Assi 2007]

The Zipf-Mandelbrot Distribution

The **Zipf-Mandelbrot** distribution is a discrete probability distribution. It is a power-law distribution on ranked data.

The probability mass function (pmf) is of the form

$$p(n, u, s) = \frac{(n + u)^{-s}}{\sum_{n=1}^N (n + u)^{-s}}$$

N - the number of elements

n, u - real numbers

s - the value of the exponent characterizing the distribution

The Zipf-Mandelbrot Distribution

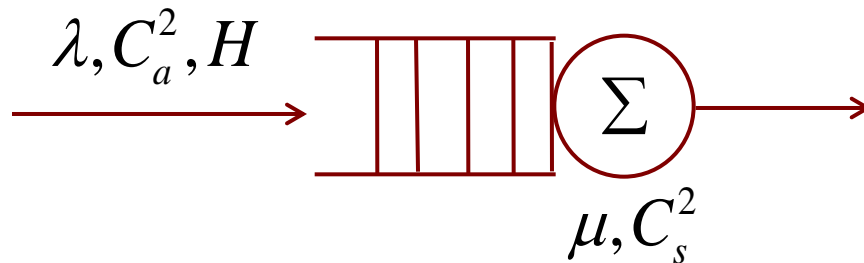
- In the limit as $N \rightarrow \infty$, the sum $\sum_{n=1}^N (n+u)^{-s}$

becomes the **Hurwitz-Zeta** function $\zeta(u, s)$

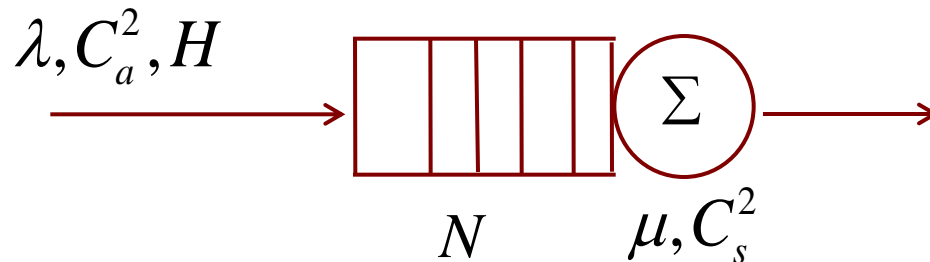
- For finite N and $u=0$, the **Zipf-Mandelbrot** law becomes **Zipf's** law (both commonly used in linguistics, Information Sciences, insurance, the modelling of events and ensemble theory in statistical mechanics)
- For infinite N and $u=0$, *the sum* is recognized as the **Zeta** distribution

The $G/G/1$ Queue & $G/G/1/N$ Censored Queue with Bursty and/or LRD Traffic Flows

- A stable $G/G/1$ Queue



- A censored $G/G/1/N$ Queue



$\{\lambda, C_a^2\}$: the mean arrival rate and the interarrival sq. coef. of variation

H : Hurts parameter of the arrival process, N : Finite buffer capacity

$\{\mu, C_s^2\}$: mean service rate and sq. coef. of variation.

Maximum Entropy (ME) Formalism (Jaynes 1956a,b)

- *System Specification*
- *Optimisation Problem Formulation*
- *Analytic Methodology*
- *ME Solution*
- *Basic Relations*
- *Overview of ME and Queueing Network Models (QNMs)*

System Specification

- **Q**, General System;

- **S = {S₀, S₁, ..., S_n, ...}**

Finite or countable infinite set of states;

- **P(S_n)**, state prob. distr. that **Q** is at state **S_n**;

- **{<f_k>}**, **k=1, 2, ..., m <|Q|**,

Set of prescribed mean values defined on the set of suitable functions:

$$\{f_1(S_n), f_2(S_n), \dots, f_m(S_n)\}$$

Optimisation Problem Formulation

$$\max_P \left\{ H(P) = \sum_{S_n \in S} P(S_n) \log P(S_n) \right\}$$

subject to

$$\sum_{S_n \in S} P(S_n) = 1,$$

$$\sum_{S_n \in S} f_k(S_n) P(S_n) = \langle f_k \rangle, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, m$$

where m is less than the number of possible states.

**Apply the Method of
Lagrange's Undetermined Multipliers**

ME Solution [Jaynes 1957a and 1957b]

$$P(\mathbf{S}_n) = \frac{1}{Z} \prod_{k=1}^m x_k f_k(\mathbf{S}_n),$$

$$Z = e^{\beta_0} = \sum_{\mathbf{S}_n \in \mathcal{S}} \prod_{k=1}^m x_k f_k(\mathbf{S}_n),$$

Normalising Constant

$$x_k = e^{-\beta_k}, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, m$$

$\{\beta_k\}$ are the Lagrangian coefficients corresponding to constraints $\{\langle f_k \rangle\}$, $k=1, 2, \dots, m$

Basic Relations

- $\frac{\partial \beta_0}{\partial \beta_k} = \langle f_k \rangle, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, m$
- $\max_P \{H(P)\} = \beta_0 + \sum_{k=1}^m \beta_k \langle f_k \rangle$

ME & EME FORMALISMS FOR ANALYSING OPEN (QNM_s)

OPEN QNM WITH JOINT STATE PROBABILITY

$$\{P(\underline{n}), \underline{n} = (n_1, n_2, \dots, n_M), n_i \geq 0, n_i = 1, 2, \dots, M\}$$

CLASSICAL QUEUEING THEORY

**MAX ENTROPY /
EXTENDED ENTROPY**

$$\text{Max}_p H(p)$$

**MARGINAL MEAN
VALUE CONSTRAINTS**

ME FORMALISM & OPEN QNM_s

PRODUCT FORM APPROXIMATION OF AN OPEN QNM

$$P(\mathbf{n}) = \prod_{i=1}^M P_i(n_i)$$

INTERPRETATION

**TRAFFIC FLOW ANALYSIS & ME QUEUE-BY-
QUEUE DECOMPOSITION OF OPEN QNM_s**

A Stable G/G/1 Queue [Kouvatsos1994]

■ Maximise Shannon's Entropy Functional

$$\max_{\mathbf{P}} \left\{ H(\mathbf{P}) = - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(n) \log P(n) \right\}$$

subject to

- Normalisation, $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(n) = 1,$

- Mean queue length, $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} np(n) = L$

- Utilisation, $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h(n)p(n) = 1 - p(0) = \rho, \quad \rho = \frac{\lambda}{\mu}, \quad 0 < \rho < 1$

$$h(n) = 1, \text{ if } n = 0 \text{ or } 0 \text{ otherwise}$$

■ Apply the Method of Lagrange's Undetermined Multipliers

A Stable G/G/1 Queue (Cont.)

- A **ME** Generalised Geometric Solution

$$P(n) = \begin{cases} 1 - \rho, & n = 0 \\ (1 - \rho)g x^n, & n \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$g = \frac{\rho^2}{(L - \rho)(1 - \rho)}, \quad x = \frac{L - \rho}{L}$$

where

$$L = \frac{\rho}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1 + \rho C_s^2}{1 - \rho} \right)$$

Mean queue length in M/G/1 queue
(Pollaczek-Khintchine Formula) C_s^2 :
SCV of the service time, $C_a^2 = 1$.

A Censored G/G/1/N Queue [Kouvatsos 1994]

■ Maximise Shannon's Entropy Functional

$$\max_P \left\{ H(P) = - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_N(n) \log P_N(n) \right\}$$

subject to

- The normalization, $\sum_{n=0}^N p_N(n) = 1$
- The mean queue length, $\sum_{n=0}^N n p_N(n) = L_N$
- The utilisation, $\sum_{n=0}^N h(n) p(n) = 1 - p_N(0) = U$
- Full buffer state probability, $\sum_{n=0}^N s(n) p_N(n) = \varphi = p_N(N), 0 < \varphi < 1$

where $h(n) = 1$, if $n = 0$ or 0 otherwise and $s(n) = 1$, if $n = N$ or 0 otherwise

A Censored G/G/1/N Queue

- Apply the Method of Lagrange's Undetermined Multipliers
- Obtain a **Truncated** Generalised Geometric ME **Solution** (expressed in terms of the single step recursions) →

$$P_N(1) = gxP_N(0)$$

$$P_N(n) = xP_N(n-1) \quad n = 2, \dots, N-1$$

$$P_N(N) = yxP_N(N-1)$$

where

$$g = \frac{\sigma\rho\tau}{\sigma\rho + \tau(1-\sigma)}, \quad x = \frac{\sigma\rho + \tau(1-\sigma)}{\sigma\rho + \tau(1-\sigma)}, \quad y = \frac{\sigma\rho + \tau(1-\sigma)}{\sigma + \tau(1-\sigma)} \frac{1}{\tau},$$

$$\rho = \frac{\lambda}{\mu}, \quad \sigma = \frac{2}{C_a^2 + 1} \quad \text{and} \quad \tau = \frac{2}{C_s^2 + 1}$$

The ME solution satisfies the flow balance condition $\lambda(1-\pi) = \mu(1-P_N(0))$, where π is the blocking probability.

Connection with the GE-type Distribution

- **Theorem:** The **ME M/G/1** solution is equivalent to the queue length distr. of a stable **M/G/1** queue with a **GE-type** service time prob. density function of the form

$$f(t) = (1-r)u_0(t) + r^2 \mu e^{-r\mu t}, \quad t \geq 0,$$

where $r = \frac{2}{C_s^2 + 1}$, $u_0(t) = +\infty$, if $t = 0$ or, 0 , if $t \neq 0$.
Unit impulse function

This theoretical result can be shown by substituting **g**, **x** and **L** into the **ME solution** and equating its **z-transform** with the **Laplace-Stieltjes** transform of the service time [Kouvatsos1994].

Connection with the GE-type Distribution

- **Proof:** The Pollaczek-Khintchin z-transform of is

$$Q(z) = \frac{F^*(\lambda - \lambda z)(1 - \rho)(1 - z)}{F^*(\lambda - \lambda z) - z}$$

where $F^*(\theta)$ is the Laplace-Stieltjes transform of the service time. This transform can be determined directly using the relation

$$Q(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(n)z^n, |z| \leq 1$$

- This implies that

$$Q(z) = \frac{(1 - \rho)[1 - xz(1 - r)]}{(1 - xz)}$$

Connection with the GE-type Distribution

- It can be easily verified that $Q(0) = 1-\rho$ and $Q(1) = 1$. Equating the right-hand sides of both equation, substituting for x and ρ and solving for $F^*(\lambda-\lambda z)$, the following result is obtained (with $r = 2 / (1+C_s^2)$)

$$F^*(\lambda - \lambda z) = \frac{r\mu + (1-r)(\lambda - \lambda z)}{r\mu + \lambda - \lambda z}$$

- Substituting θ for $(\lambda - \lambda z)$, becomes

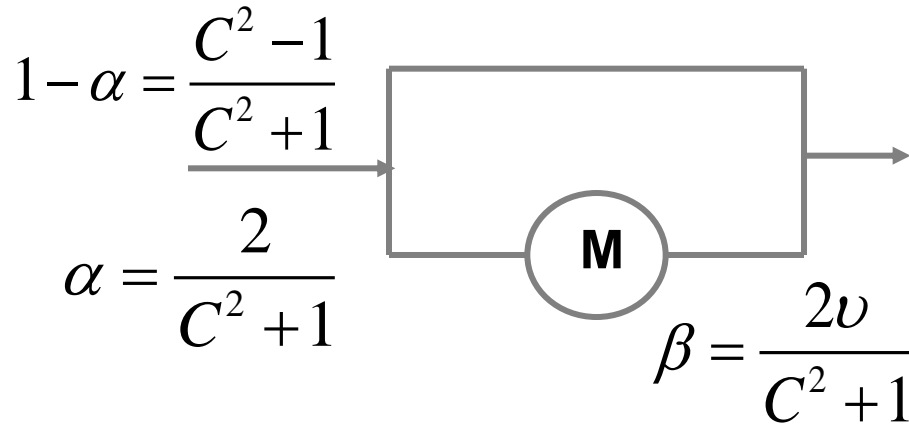
$$F^*(\theta) = \frac{r\mu + (1-r)\theta}{r\mu + \theta} = (1-r) + \frac{r^2\mu}{r\mu + \theta}$$

- By inverting $F^*(\theta)$, the result follows. Q.E.D

The GE-type Distribution

- The ME solution of a stable M/G/1 queue is exact if $G \equiv \text{GE}$. Similarly for a stable GE/G/1 queue
- The **GE-type** distr. with parameters α and β ($0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$):

$$F(t) = 1 - \alpha e^{-\beta t}, \quad t \geq 0,$$



- The underlying counting process of the GE-type distr. is a compound Poisson process with **Geo** distributed batch sizes and mean batch size $1/\alpha = (C^2 + 1)/2$.

Interpretation of GE-type distribution

- **GE** is an extremal case of the family of two-phase exponential distributions having the same $\{v, C^2(>1)\}$
- GE is a bulk type distribution with an underlying counting process equivalent to a **Compound Poisson Process (CPP)** with parameter $2v/(C^2 + 1)$ and a geometrically distributed bulk size with mean $(1 + C^2)/2$ and SCV $(C^2 - 1)/(C^2 + 1)$ i.e.,

$$P(N_{cp} = n) = \begin{cases} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\sigma^i}{i!} e^{-\sigma} \binom{n-1}{i-1} \tau^i (1-\tau)^{n-i}, & n \geq 1 \\ e^{-\sigma}, & n = 0 \end{cases}$$

where N_{cp} is the random variable of the number of events per unit time.

Global Balance Solution for the Censored GE/GE/1/N Queue

■ *GE-Type Algebra*

- GE-type Transition Rates
- GE-type Global Balance (GB) Equations
- GE-type GB Solution for the State Probability Distribution
- GE-Type GB Connection with ME Formalism
- GE-type Blocking Probability

*Global Balance (GB) Solution for the Censored
GE₁/GE₂/1/N Queue*

Let $GE_1 \sim GE(\sigma, \sigma\lambda)$ & $GE_2 \sim GE(\tau, \tau\mu)$, where

- σ, τ are the stage selection probabilities of the non-zero exponential branches of the GE_1 and GE_2 , respectively
- $\sigma\lambda, \tau\mu$ are the arrival and service rates (at non-zero exponential branch of the queue), respectively i.e.,

$$\sigma = 2/(1+C^2a)$$

$$\tau = 2/(1+C^2s)$$

*Global Balance (GB) Solution for the Censored
GE1/GE2/1/N Queue (Cont.)*

- The analysis utilises the bulk interpretation of the *GE-type* distribution.
- Suppose the number in the queue is $1 \leq k \leq N-1$ when a bulk of size $n \geq N-k$ arrives → Implications
 - Then $N-k$ units are chosen randomly from the bulk to fill the empty spaces of the waiting room.
 - The remaining units of the bulk are considered to be lost.

GE-type GB Equations

$$\sigma\lambda \frac{\tau}{\tau(1-\sigma) + \sigma} P_0 = \tau\mu \sum_{k=1}^N (1-\tau)^{k-1} P_k$$

$$1 \leq i \leq N-1$$

$$(\sigma\lambda + \tau\mu)P_i = \sigma\lambda \frac{\tau \sigma(1-\sigma)^{i-1}}{\tau(1-\sigma) + \sigma} P_0 + \sigma\lambda \left(\sum_{k=1}^{i-1} \sigma(1-\sigma)^{i-k-1} \right) P_k + \tau\mu \left(\sum_{k=i+1}^N \tau(1-\tau)^{k-i-1} \right) P_k$$

$$\tau\mu P_N = \sigma\lambda \frac{\tau(1-\sigma)^{N-1}}{\tau(1-\sigma) + \sigma} P_0 + \sigma\lambda \left(\sum_{k=1}^{N-1} (1-\sigma)^{N-k-1} \right) P_k$$

The GE-type GB State Probability Distribution

$$P_N = P_0 \frac{\sigma\rho}{\tau(1-\sigma) + \sigma} \left(\frac{\sigma\rho + \tau(1-\sigma)}{\sigma\rho + \tau(1-\sigma\rho)} \right)^{N-1}, \quad \rho = \frac{\lambda}{\mu}$$

$$P_k = P_0 \frac{\sigma\rho\tau}{\sigma\rho + \tau(1-\sigma\rho)} \left(\frac{\sigma\rho + \tau(1-\sigma)}{\sigma\rho + \tau(1-\sigma\rho)} \right)^{k-1}, \quad 1 \leq k \leq N-1$$

$$P_0 = \frac{1-\rho}{1-\rho \frac{\sigma\rho + \tau(1-\sigma\rho)}{\sigma + \tau(1-\sigma)} \left(\frac{\sigma\rho + \tau(1-\sigma)}{\sigma\rho + \tau(1-\sigma\rho)} \right)^N}$$

GB Connection with the ME Formalism

■ Maximise Entropy Functional

$$\max_P \left\{ H(P) = - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_N(k) \log P_N(k) \right\}$$

subject to normalisation, utilisation, mean queue length and full buffer state probability constraints satisfying the flow balance

Condition: $\lambda(1-\pi) = \mu(1-P_N(0))$, where π is the blocking probability.

■ ME Solution

$$P_N(1) = g x P_N(0)$$

$$P_N(k) = x P_N(k-1) \quad k = 2, \dots, N-1$$

where

$$P_N(N) = y x P_N(N-1)$$

$$g = \frac{\sigma \rho \tau}{\sigma \rho + \tau(1-\sigma)}, \quad x = \frac{\sigma \rho + \tau(1-\sigma)}{\sigma \rho + \tau(1-\sigma)}, \quad y = \frac{\sigma \rho + \tau(1-\sigma)}{\sigma + \tau(1-\sigma)} \frac{1}{\tau},$$

$$\rho = \frac{\lambda}{\mu}, \quad \sigma = \frac{2}{C_a^2 + 1} \quad \text{and} \quad \tau = \frac{2}{C_s^2 + 1}$$

The GE-type Blocking Probability

- The probability of an arrival to find the queue full, π , is given by

$$\begin{aligned}\pi &= P_N(N) + \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} P_N(k)(1-\sigma)^{N-k} + P_N(0) \frac{\tau(1-\sigma)^N}{\tau(1-\sigma) + \sigma} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^N \delta(k) P_N(k)(1-\sigma)^{N-k}\end{aligned}$$

where
$$\delta(k) = \begin{cases} \frac{\tau}{\tau(1-\sigma) + \sigma} & k=0 \\ 1 & k \neq 0 \end{cases},$$

- The proof is based on the bulk interpretation of the compound Poisson arrival process to the queue and the GE-type service time distribution.

The GE-type Blocking Probability (cont.)

- The bulk finds N jobs in the GE/GE/1/ N queue;

Bulks arrive according to a Poisson ($\sigma\lambda$) process. Thus a tagged arriver will find N in the system with probability $P_N(N)$ (i.e., the same with that of a random observer).

- The bulk finds k jobs in GE/GE/1/ N the queue ($1 \leq k \leq N-1$);

The size of the bulk is at least $m = N-k+1$ and the tagged arriver is one of those bulk members that will be blocked (turned away). Thus,

$$\sum_{k=1}^{N-1} P_N(k) \left(\sum_{m=N-k+1}^{\infty} m \frac{\sigma(1-\sigma)^{m-1}}{1/\sigma} \right) \frac{m-(N-k)}{m} = \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} P_N(k) (1-\sigma)^{N-k}$$

The GE-type Blocking Probability (cont.)

- The bulk finds 0 jobs the GE/GE/1/N queue;

The bulk size m is at least $(N+1)$, at most $m-(N+1)$ jobs choose the null GE branch from the front part of the bulk and the tagged arriver is one of those bulk units that will be blocked (turned away). Thus,

$$P_N(0) \sum_{m=N+1}^{\infty} \frac{m\sigma(1-\sigma)^{m-1}}{1/\sigma} \sum_{k=0}^{m-(N+1)} \tau(1-\tau)^k \frac{m-N-k}{m} = P_N(0) \frac{\tau(1-\sigma)^N}{\tau(1-\sigma) + \sigma}$$

- The form of the GE-type blocking probability, π , of the GE/GE/1/N queue is obtained by adding the probabilities of these three mutually exclusive events.

Havrda-Charvat Generalised Entropy Function

- The **Havrda-Charvat** generalised parametric entropy function, **S_q** , is defined by [Havrda & Charvat 1967]

$$S_q = \frac{C \left(1 - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} p_i^q \right)}{q - 1}$$

$p_i, i=0, 1, \dots$ are the state probabilities of the queue;

q is a real number measuring the degree of non-extensivity of the queue ;

C is a positive constant ;

S_q is a generalised measure of uncertainty in dynamic systems, which reduces to Shannon entropy function at the non-extensivity parameter $q \rightarrow 1$ limit H.

Generalised Entropy Maximisation: Generalization of Boltzmann Gibbs Statistics

- In Statistical Mechanics, Tsallis (1988) proposed independently an equivalent to Havrda-Charvat entropy function

$$S_q = \frac{C \left(1 - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} p_i^q \right)}{q - 1}$$

which was maximised
subject to:

1. $\sum_{i=1}^W p_i = 1$
2. $\sum_{i=1}^W \varepsilon_i p_i = U_q$

where W is the no. of microscopic configurations and $\{\varepsilon_i, U_q\}$ are known as *generalized spectrum* and *generalized internal energy*.

- Maximisation of S_q gives a **Zipf-Mandelbrot power-type distribution with non-extensive properties.**

Tsallis (1988) Solution

- Introduce α and β Lagrange multipliers and define the quantity

$$\phi_q = \frac{S_q}{C} - \alpha \sum_{i=1}^W p_i - \alpha \beta (q-1) \sum_{i=1}^W \varepsilon_i p_i$$

by taking $\frac{\partial \phi_q}{\partial p_i} = 0$, one obtains $p_i = \frac{[1 - \beta(q-1)\varepsilon_i]^{q-1}}{Z_q}$

where $Z_q = \sum_{i=1}^W [1 - \beta(q-1)\varepsilon_i]^{q-1}$

At the $q \rightarrow 1$ limit,

$$p_i = \frac{e^{-\beta\varepsilon_i}}{Z}, \text{ with } Z = \sum_{i=1}^W e^{-\beta\varepsilon_i}$$

i.e., solution of **M/M/1** queue [Assi 2000, Kouvatsos and Assi 2002, Karmeshu & Sharma 2005]

G/G/1 Queue: An EME Framework

■ Maximise Generalised Entropy Functional

$$\max_P \left\{ S_q = \frac{C \left(1 - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} p(n)^q \right)}{q-1} \right\}$$

subject to

- The normalization, $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p(n) = 1$
- The mean queue length, $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} np(n) = L$
- The utilisation, $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h(n)p(n) = 1 - p(0) = \rho$, $\rho = \frac{\lambda}{\mu}$, $0 < \rho < 1$
where $h(n) = 1$, if $n = 0$ or otherwise.

Apply the Method of Lagrange's Undetermined Multipliers

[Assi 2000], [Kouvatsos & Assi 2002, 2007]

G/G/1 Queue: An EME Framework

A **Generalised Zipf-Mandelbrot EME** power-type distribution

$$p(n) = \frac{[1 + \alpha(1 - q)n + \beta(1 - q)h(n)]^{\frac{1}{q-1}}}{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [1 + \alpha(1 - q)n + \beta(1 - q)h(n)]^{\frac{1}{q-1}}}, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots$$

- At the $q \rightarrow 1$ limit,

$$p(n) = \frac{e^{-\lambda n - \beta h(n)}}{Z} = \frac{x^n g^{h(n)}}{Z}, \quad \text{with } Z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n g^{h(n)}, \quad x = e^{-\lambda}, \quad g = e^{-\beta}$$

➔ ME state probability distribution of a stable *G/G/1* queue

- x and g are the Lagrangian coefficients corresponding to **mql** and server utilisation constraints. Moreover, $\frac{1}{2} < q < 1$.

G/G/1/N Queue: An EME Framework

■ Maximise Generalised Entropy Functional

$$\max_P \left\{ S_q = \frac{C \left(1 - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} p_N(n)^q \right)}{q-1} \right\},$$

subject to:

- The normalization, $\sum_{n=0}^N p_N(n) = 1$
- The mean queue length, $\sum_{n=0}^N n p_N(n) = L_N$
- The utilisation, $\sum_{n=0}^N h(n) p(n) = 1 - p_N(0) = U$
- Full buffer state probability, $\sum_{n=0}^N s(n) p_N(n) = \varphi = p_N(n)$, $0 < \varphi < 1$

where $h(n) = 1$, if $n = 0$ or 0 ow. and $s(n) = 1$, if $n = N$ or 0 ow,
satisfying the flow balance condition: $\lambda (1 - \pi) = \mu (1 - P_N(0))$
c.f., [Assi 2000, Kouvatsos & Assi 2002, 2007].

G/G/1/N Queue : An EME Framework

- A **Truncated Generalised Zipf-Mandelbrot EME** power-type distribution

$$p_N(n) = \frac{[1 + \alpha(1-q)n + \beta(1-q)h(n) + \gamma(1-q)s(n)]^{\frac{1}{q-1}}}{\sum_{n=0}^N [1 + \alpha(1-q)n + \beta(1-q)h(n) + \gamma(1-q)s(n)]^{\frac{1}{q-1}}}$$

- At the $q \rightarrow 1$ limit,

$$p_N(n) = \frac{e^{-\alpha n - \beta h(n) - \gamma s(n)}}{\sum_{n=0}^N e^{-\alpha n - \beta h(n) - \gamma s(n)}} = \frac{x^n g^{h(n)} y^{s(n)}}{\sum_{n=0}^N x^n g^{h(n)} y^{s(n)}}, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, N$$

$$x = e^{-\alpha}, \quad g = e^{-\beta}, \quad y = e^{-\gamma}$$

This is the corresponding known solution of a **GE/GE/1/K** queue. For $q < 1$ and for large number of jobs n , the **EME solution** follows the **power law**: $p_N(n) \sim n^{\frac{1}{q-1}}$, $1/2 < q < 1$

Boundary Conditions and a Heuristic Relationship between q and H

- A heuristic relation between the non-extensivity parameter, q and the Hurst parameter, H can be achieved by using the boundary conditions
- The boundary conditions of the non-extensivity parameter q of Tsallis entropy solution is $\frac{1}{2} < q < 1$;
- The boundary conditions of Hurst parameter H of the **fractional Brownian Motion (fBm)** is $\frac{1}{2} < H < 1$;
- It is implied that for $q \rightarrow 1$ (**Shannon's Entropy**) $\rightarrow H \rightarrow 0.5$ (exponential distribution)
- for $q \rightarrow 1/2$ (max value of non extensivity parameter) $\rightarrow H \rightarrow 1$ (**Pareto distribution with power law tails** corresponding to max value of H)
- The following simple heuristic relationship is usually defined

$$H = 1.5 - q$$

[Karmeshu & Sharma 2005], [Kouvatsos & Assi 2007]

An EME Mean Queue Length

- In the context of the EME approach, a mean queue length constraint for a fBM/M/1 queue (c.f., [Karmeshu and Sharma 2005], [Kouvatsos & Assi 2007]) was motivated by a reinterpretation of a formula proposed in Norros [1994] in the context of ATM networks, for calculating buffer capacity of a simple storage model with self-similar input traffic process modelled by a fBm as an input process with **Hurst parameter, H**, $H \in [0.5, 1]$ and exponential service time :

$$\langle n \rangle = \frac{\rho^{1/[2(1-H)]}}{(1-\rho)^{H/(1-H)}}, \quad 0.5 < H < 1, \quad \rho = \lambda/\mu$$

where λ and μ are the mean arrival and service rates, respectively.

A Heuristic Generalisation for an EME Mean Queue Length

- A heuristic extension of Norros formula [Norros 1994] was conjectured in [Kouvatsos & Assi 2007] for calculating the buffer capacity of a simple storage model with generalised fractional Brownian motion (gfBm) process as an input traffic and GE-type service time distribution, namely

$$\langle n \rangle = \frac{\rho^{1/[2(1-H)]}}{2^{1/[2(1-H)]}} \left(\frac{(1-\rho + C_a^2 + \rho C_s^2)^{1/[2(1-H)]}}{(1-\rho)^{H/(1-H)}} \right), \quad 0.5 < H < 1, \quad \rho = \frac{\lambda}{\mu}$$

where C^2a and C^2s are the interarrival time and service time SCV and H is the Hurst parameter taking values in the interval $[1/2, 1]$.

- For the computational implementation of the EME solutions, the generalised formula is adopted as the mql, $E(N)$, of a stable infinite capacity gfBm/GE/1 queue.
- For $H = 1/2$, it yields the result for mean queue length of a stable GE/GE/1 queue which corresponds to the case $q \rightarrow 1$ in the proposed framework.

Overflow Probability

- The probability distribution for the queue length distribution $\{p_N(n), n=0, 1, \dots\}$ can be rewritten in term of Hurwitz-Zeta function as,

$$p_K(n) = \frac{\left[\frac{1 + \beta(1-q)h(n) + \gamma(1-q)s(n)}{\alpha(1-q)} + n \right]^{\frac{1}{q-1}}}{\zeta \left[\frac{1}{1-q}, \frac{1 + \beta(1-q)h(n) + \gamma(1-q)s(n)}{\alpha(1-q)} \right]}, \quad \{q > 0, n = 0, 1, \dots, K\}$$

- the overflow probability,

$$P(n > x) = \left(\frac{1}{\zeta \left[\frac{1}{1-q}, \frac{1 + \beta(1-q)h(n) + \gamma(1-q)s(n)}{\alpha(1-q)} \right]} \right) \left(\frac{1-q}{q} \right) \left[x + \frac{1 + \beta(1-q)h(n) + \gamma(1-q)s(n)}{\alpha(1-q)} \right]^{\frac{-q}{1-q}} - \left(\frac{1}{\zeta \left[\frac{1}{1-q}, \frac{1 + \beta(1-q)h(n) + \gamma(1-q)s(n)}{\alpha(1-q)} \right]} \right) \left(\frac{1-q}{q} \right) \sum_{n=x_0}^N \int_0^1 u \left(u + n + \frac{1 + \beta(1-q)h(n) + \gamma(1-q)s(n)}{\alpha(1-q)} \right)^{-(2-q)/(1-q)} du$$

Overflow Probability

- For asymptotically large x a power law is determined by,

$$P(n > x) \sim Wx^{-q/(1-q)}, \quad W = \left(\frac{1}{\zeta} \left[\frac{1}{1-q}, \frac{1 + \beta(1-q)h(n) + \gamma(1-q)s(n)}{\alpha(1-q)} \right] \right) \left(\frac{1-q}{q} \right)$$

- at the $q \rightarrow 1$ limit,

$$P(n > x) \sim e^{-\alpha x - \beta h(n) - \gamma s(n)}$$

Server Utilisation and Blocking Probability

- The probability that server is busy (i.e., the server utilization, U)

$$U = 1 - p_K(0)$$
$$= 1 - \frac{\left[\alpha(1-q) + \beta(1-q)h(n) + \gamma(1-q)s(n) \right]^{\frac{1}{q-1}}}{\zeta \left[\frac{1}{1-q}, \frac{1 + \beta(1-q)h(n) + \gamma(1-q)s(n)}{\alpha(1-q)} \right]}$$

- Using the flow balance condition, the blocking probability can be obtained by

$$\pi = 1 - U/\rho$$

Note: All these formulae together with the associated algorithms below can be found in [Kouvatsos & Assi 2007] & are generalisations to those reported in [Karmeshu & Sharma 2005].

EME Analytic Algorithms

EME ALGORITHM 1: The gfBm /GE/1 Queue

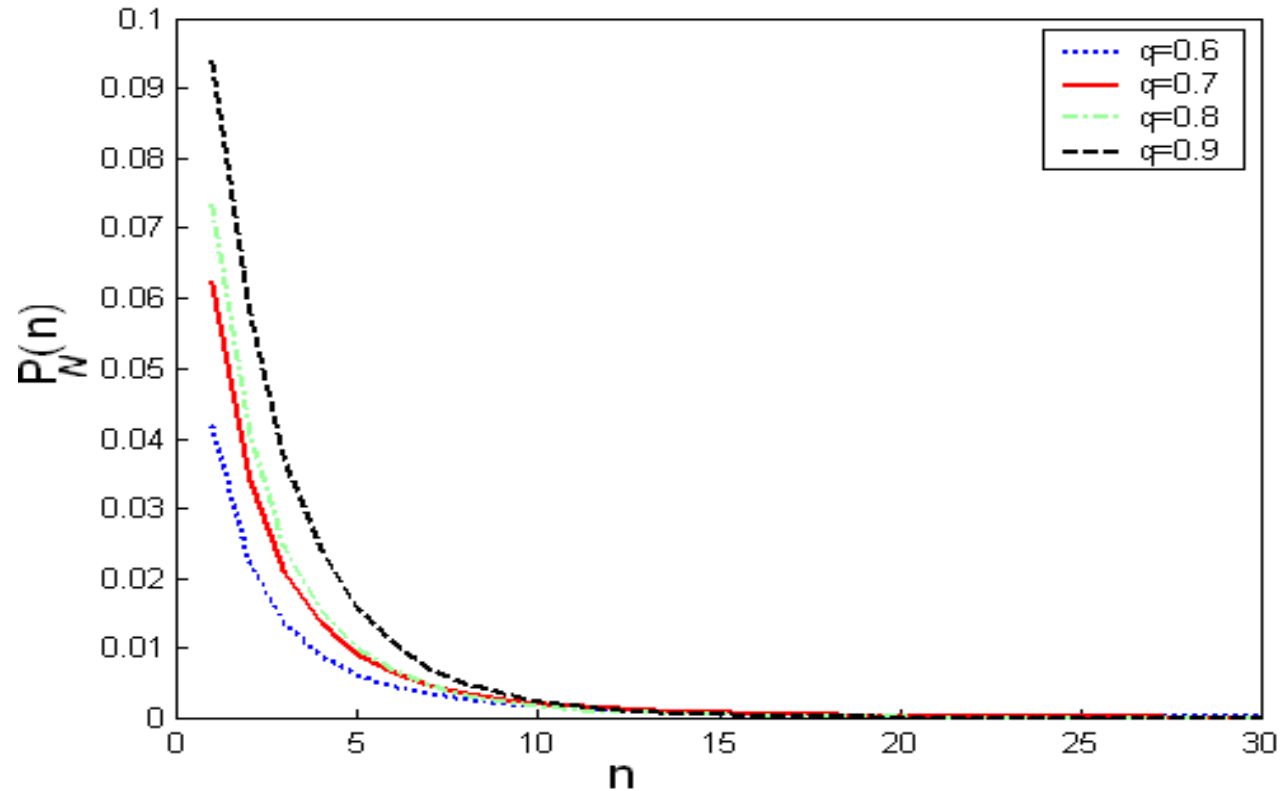
- *Input Data* $\{ q, \lambda, C_a^2, \mu, C_s^2 \}$
- *Begin*
- *Step 1* Calculate $H=1.5-q$ and mean queue length, $\langle n \rangle$
- *Step 2* Set initial approximations of Lagrangian multipliers $\{ \alpha, \beta \}$;
- *Step 3* Solve constraints (2) and (3) via Newton-Raphson method wrt $\{ \alpha, \beta \}$;
- *Step 4* Obtain new values for $\{ \alpha, \beta \}$;
- *Step 5* Return to Step 3 until convergence of $\{ \alpha, \beta \}$;
- *End*
- *Output Statistics:* The Lagrange's multipliers $\{ \alpha, \beta \}$ and state probabilities, $\{ p(n) \}$.

EME Analytic Algorithms (cont.)

EME ALGORITHM 2: The Censored gfBm /GE/1/N Queue

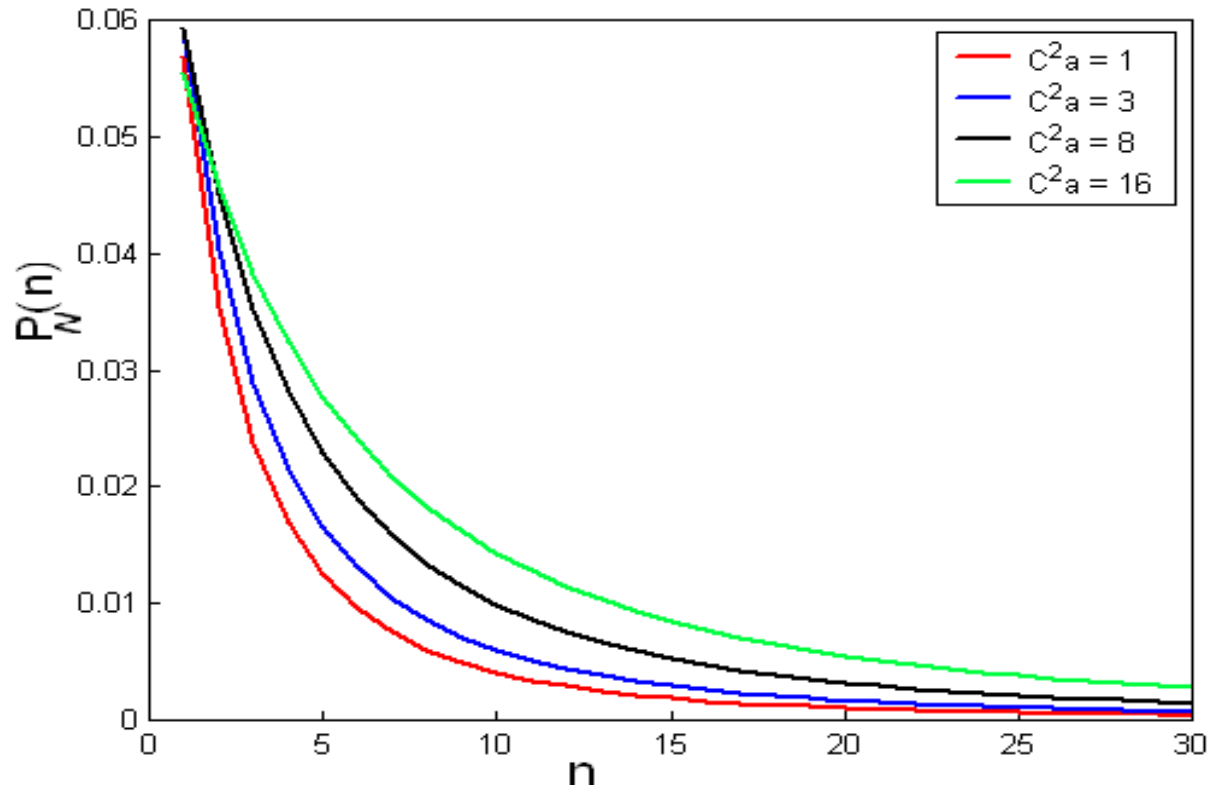
- *Input Data* $\{ N, \alpha, \beta, q, \lambda, C_a^2, \mu, C_s^2 \}$
- *Begin*
- *Step 1* Initial approximation of Lagrangian multiplier γ ;
- *Step 2* Solve constraints (1) and (4) using the Newton-Raphson method wrt γ ;
- *Step 3* Obtain new values for γ ;
- *Step 4* Return to Step 2 until convergence of γ ;
- *Step 5* Using flow balance condition to compute blocking probability.
- *End*
- *Output Statistics*: The Lagrangian multipliers, γ , state probability $\{P_N(n)\}$ and the blocking probability, π

Numerical Results



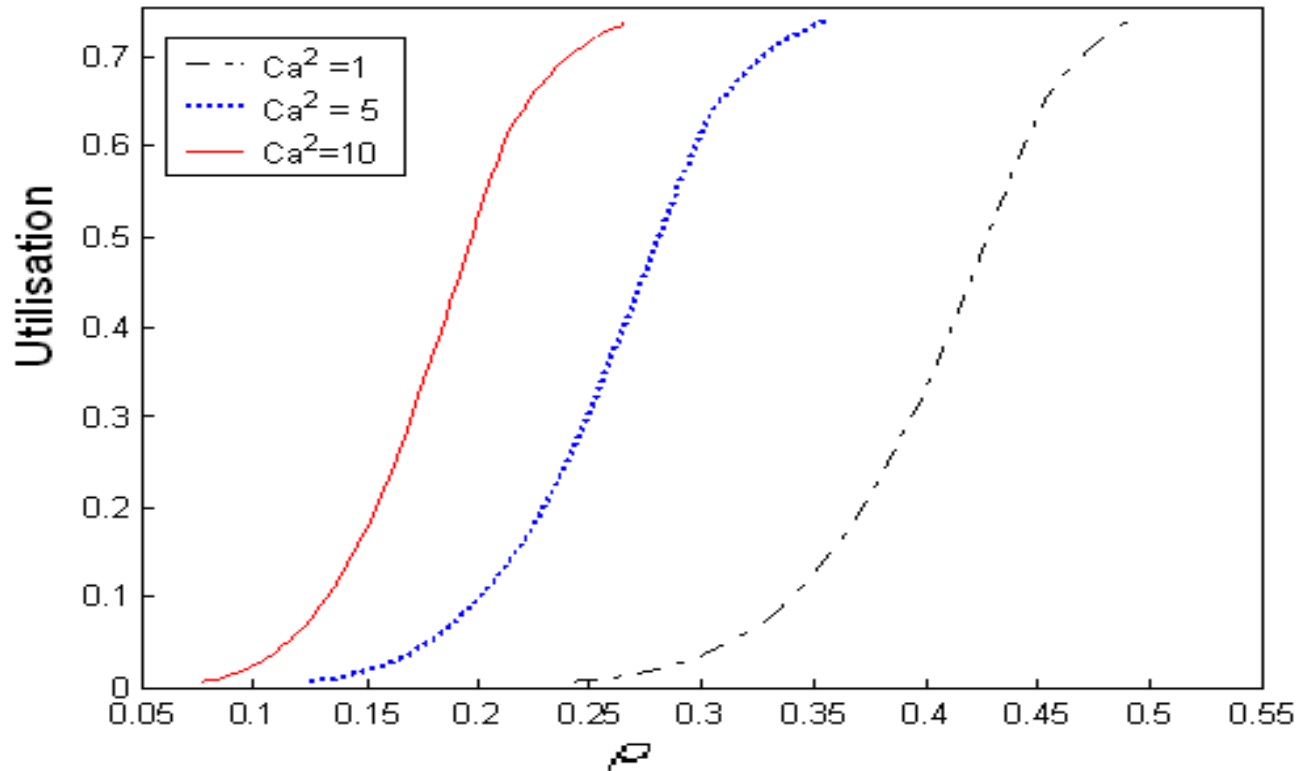
The relation between $p_N(n)$ and n for a finite capacity queue with $(q = 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.9)$, $C^2_a = 8$, $C^2_s = 4$, $\lambda = 0.03$, $\mu = 0.2$ and $N = 30$.

Numerical Results



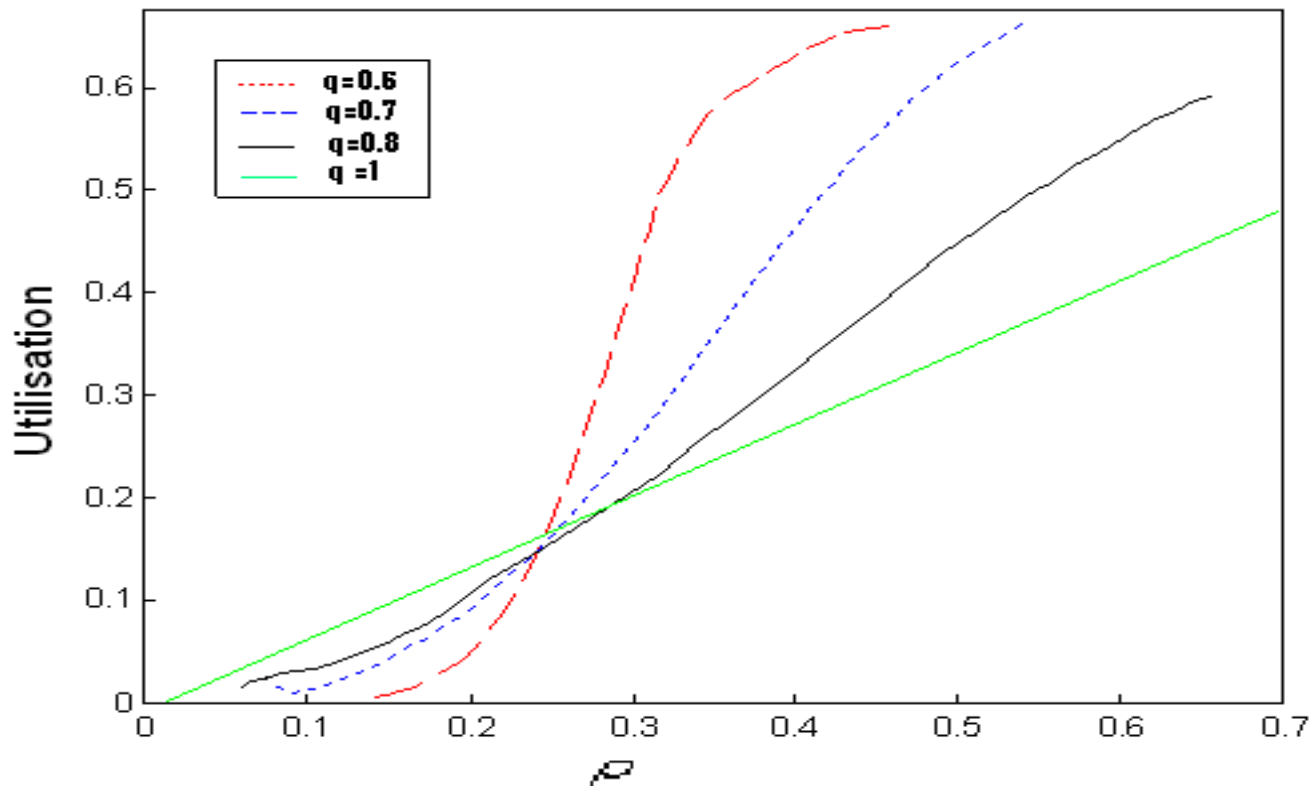
The relation between the queue length distribution and n for a finite capacity queue with $\lambda=0.02$, $\mu=0.4$, $q = 0.6$, $C^2_s = 4$ and $N = 30$

Numerical Results



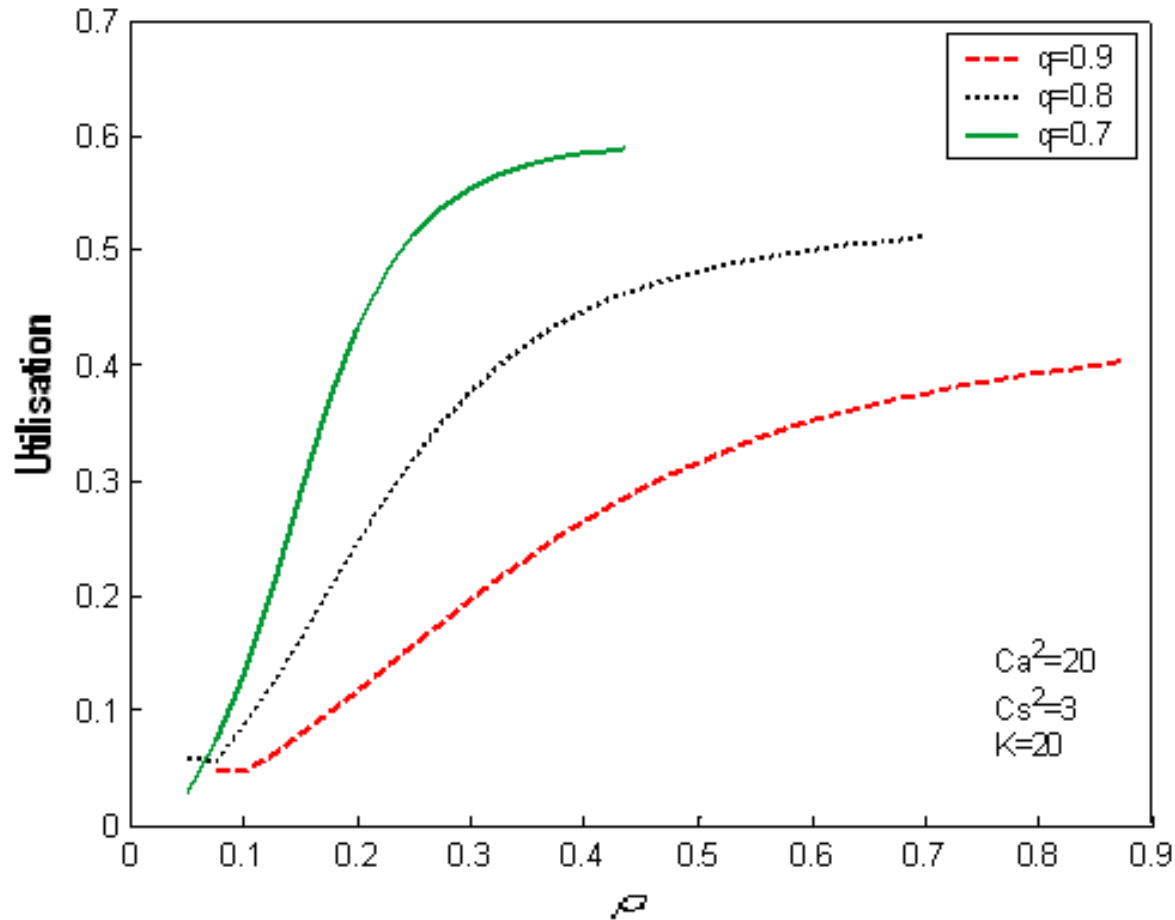
The relation between ρ and U (Utilisation) with $\{C^2a = 1, 5 \text{ \& } 10\}$, $C^2s = 3$, $q = 0.6$ and $N = 20$.

Numerical Results



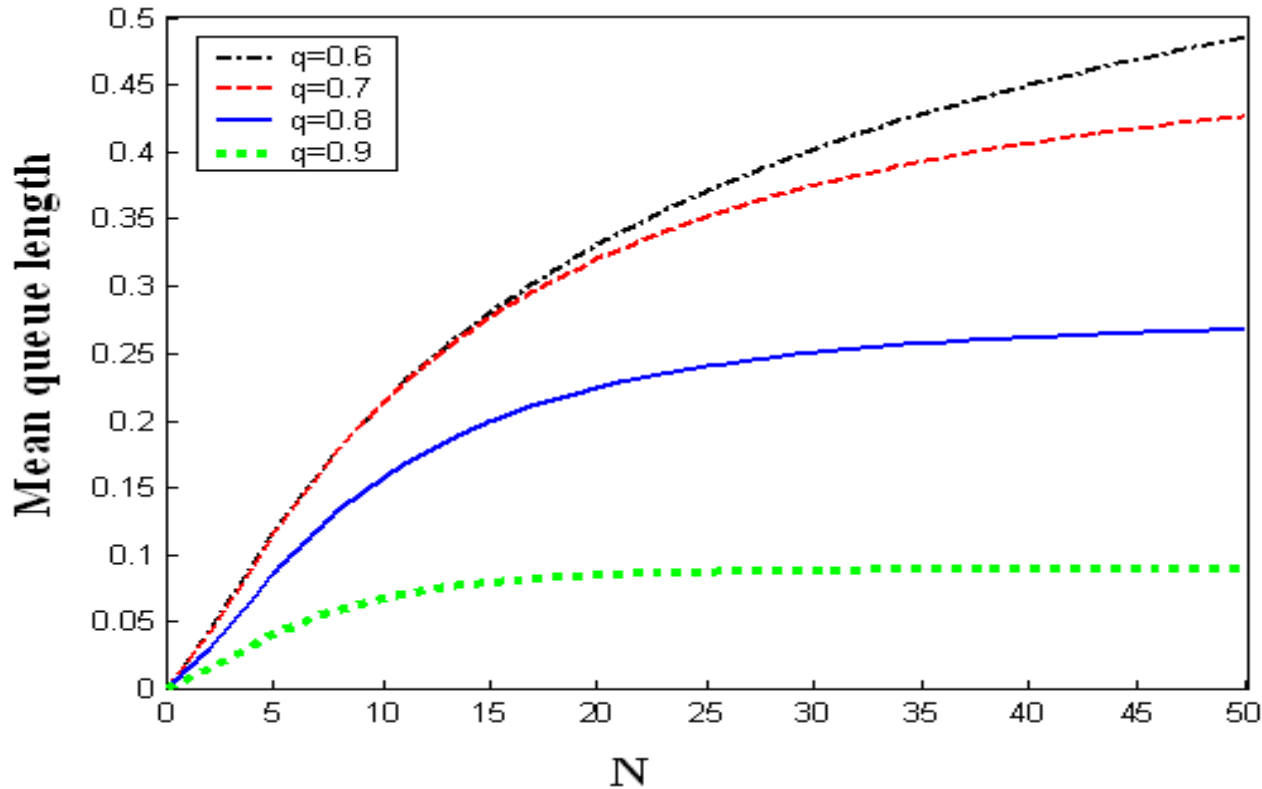
The relation between ρ and U (Utilisation) with $C^2a = 3$,
 $C^2s = 4$, $q = \{0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 1\}$

Numerical Results



The relation between traffic intensity, ρ and server utilisation, $U = 1 - P(0)$ for a finite capacity GfBm/GE/1/K queue with $Ca^2 = 20$, $Cs^2 = 3$ and $q = 0.7, 0.8, 0.9$.

Numerical Results



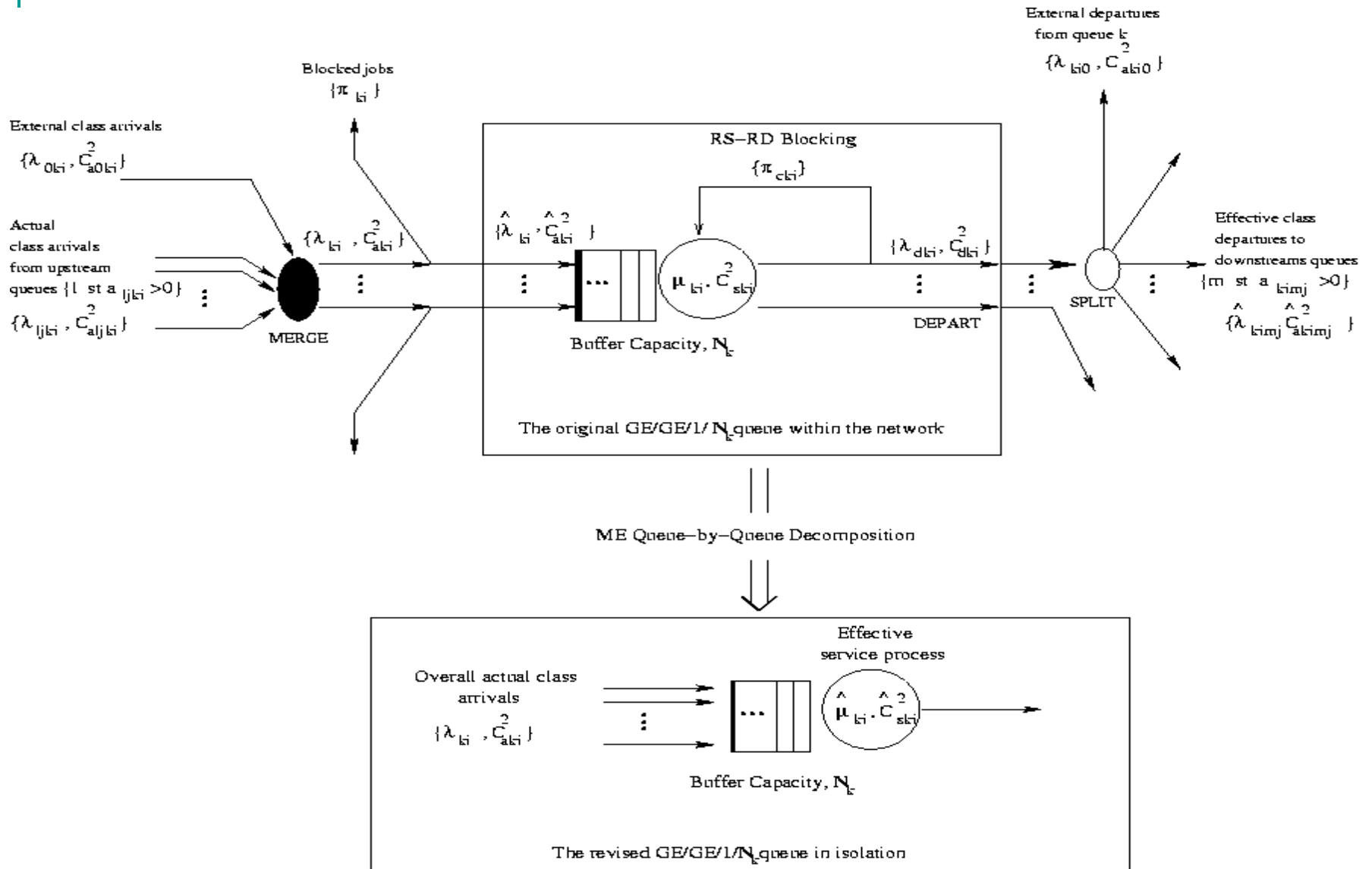
The relation between the mean queue length and N (queue capacity) with $C^2_a = 4$, $C^2_s = 9$, $\lambda = 0.1$, $\mu = 0.5$ and ($q = 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9$)

*Conclusions & Extensions to
Arbitrary Open Queueing Network Models (QNM)s*

- Product-Form Approximations and Queue-by-Queue Decomposition of Arbitrary Open Queueing Network Models (QNM)s with Blocking

[Kouvatsos & Awan 2003]

Queue-by-Queue Decomposition of Open QNMs



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