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Bkaufman, Bmitra – Erlang blocking probabilities for multiple traffic classes

SYNOPSIS

#include <erlang.h>

double Bkaufman(int j, int J, int C, int *d, double *a);

double Bmitra(int j, int J, double C, int *d, double *a);

DESCRIPTION

These functions give the blocking probability for a traffic class j , ($1 \leq j \leq J$), from number of classes J . C is the total capacity of the link. Each traffic class is characterized by its bandwidth. $d[j]$ is a pointer to the list of these values. $a[j]$ is a list of traffic intensities for each class.

The difference in these functions is in the implementation. **Bkaufman()** is implemented using the Kaufman and Roberts recursion formula:

$$B_{sub k} = \sum_{d=C-d_{sub k}+1}^C Q(d) / \sum_{d=0}^C Q(d)$$

where $Q(d)$ is defined as

$$Q(d) \sim \sum_{k=1}^K a_{sub k} d_{sub k} Q(d - d_{sub k})$$

and $Q(0) = 1$. For negative arguments $Q = 0$.

This function is useful for small values of C , but can't handle much larger values without overflowing. Evaluation time for this function increases as C increases.

Bmitra() is the Poisson limit approximation to the same function and has accuracy of 1.2 %. This function has relatively constant evaluation time. Newton's method is used to find the value of z , which is needed in function. When $z = 1$ this function has a singularity.

BUGS

Bkaufman() overflows very easily, especially with many classes.

SEE ALSO

Berl_i(3), Berl_d, Xerl(3), Aerl(3)