

Catch Me If You Can ?

Markov Time Parallel Sampling

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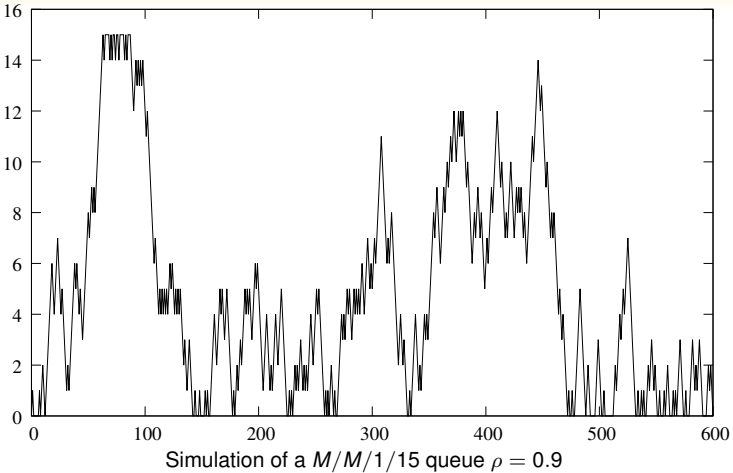
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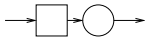
Generation of Long Trajectories



Events and Poisson Systems



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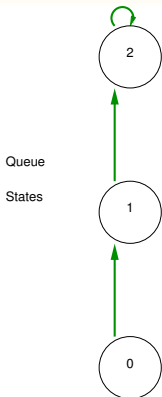
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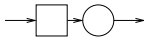
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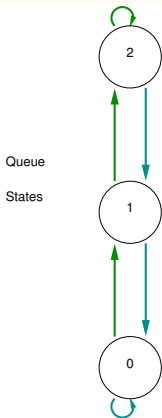
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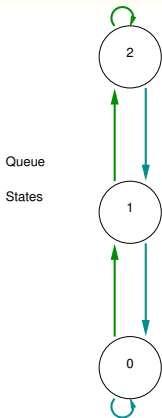
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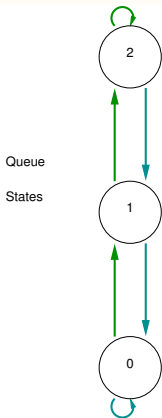
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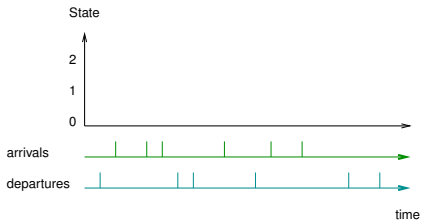
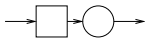
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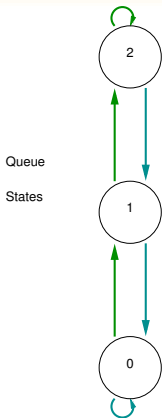
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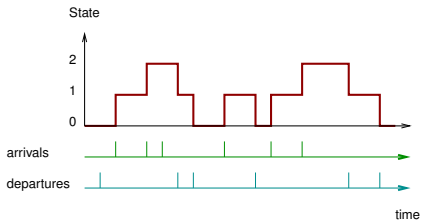
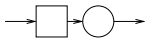
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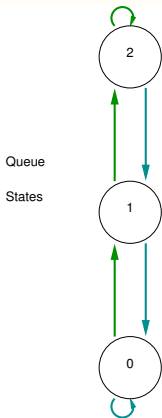
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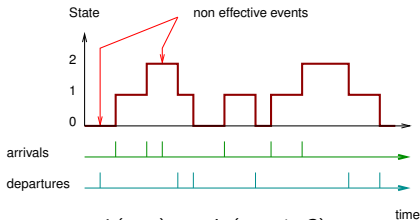
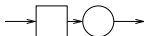
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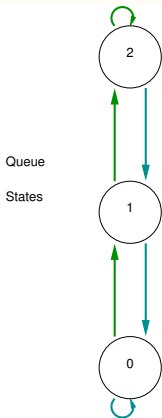
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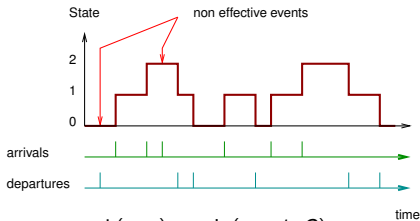
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Ergodic Sampling

Transition function

$$X_n = \phi(X_{n-1}, e_n)$$

Generate_Trajectory()

Data: A transition function Φ and an initial state x_0

Output: A coherent trajectory of the Markov chain

```
x = x0 repeat
  | e = generate_event()
  | x = Φ(x, e)
  | process(x)
until Stopping condition
return trajectory
```

Remarks:

Completely sequential process

Strong dependence on the initial state



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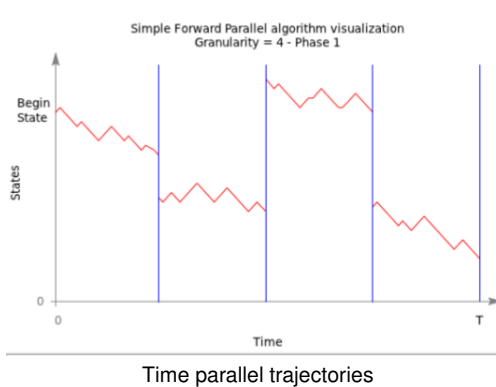
Parallelization

- Parallelization of the transition function
 - Computational cost of Φ
 - Example : optimal routing policy, computation of indexes,...
- Parallelization of the trajectories
 - Provide "independent" samples of trajectories
 - Statistically efficient
 - Control of the simulation
- Time parallel simulations
 - Provide a single long trajectory
 - Use the all capability of the machine
 - Hard to code



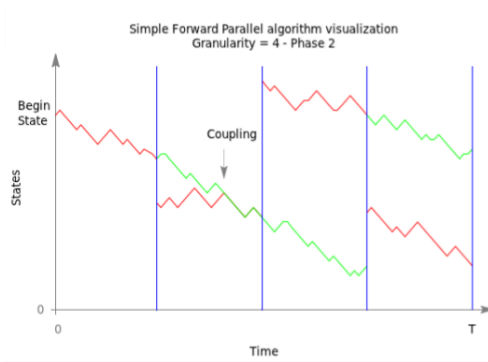
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Nicol et al. algorithm



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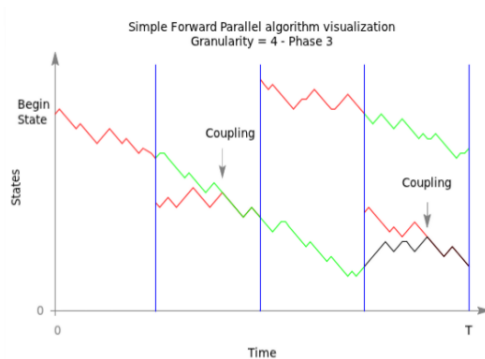
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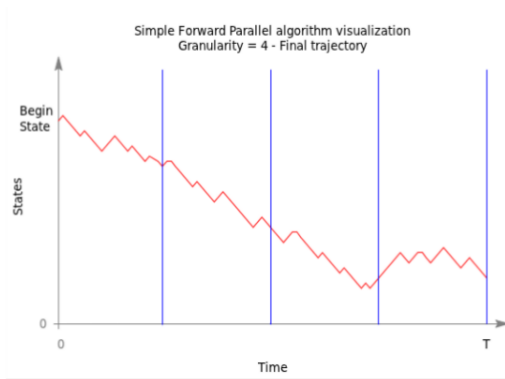
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Key points:

- Task model of parallelism
- Fixed size tasks (slots)
- Master/slave scheme
- Parallel access to vectors of states

Tuning problems:

- Granularity of tasks : related to resource infrastructure
- Size of slots
 - constant
 - time-dependent
- Un-balanced load
- Synchronization problems
- Coupling tests
 - end of slots
 - during processing

Proposition:

Stopping rule depending on the coupling condition

- Asynchronous scheme
- Redundant computation but local

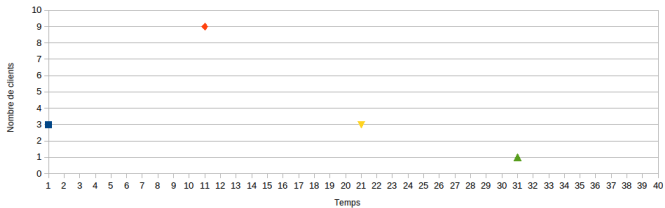


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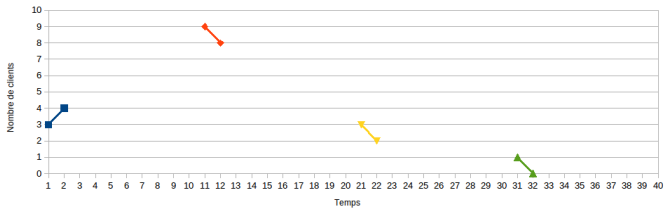


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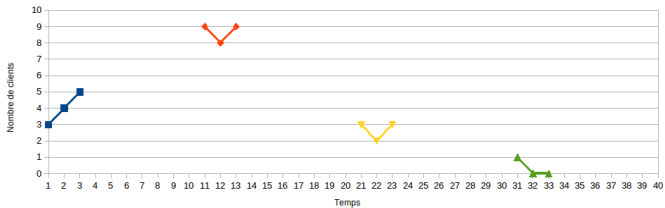
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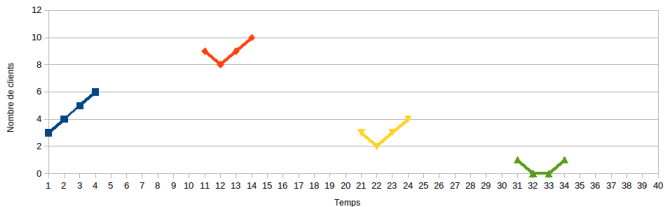
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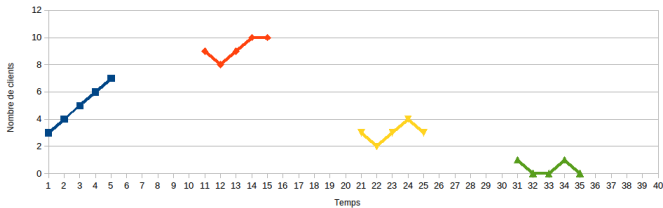
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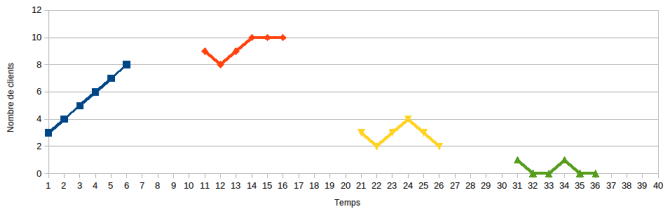
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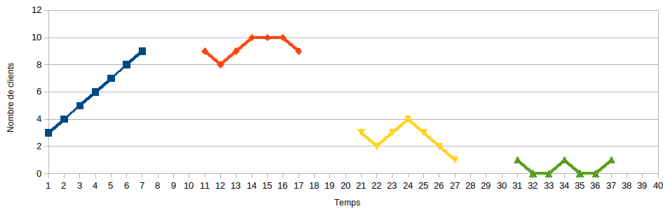
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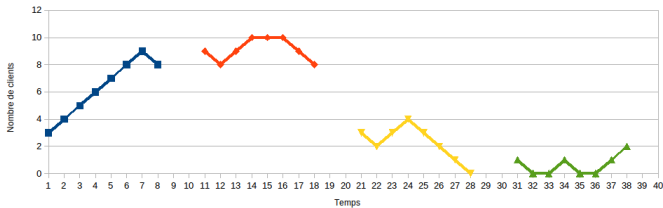
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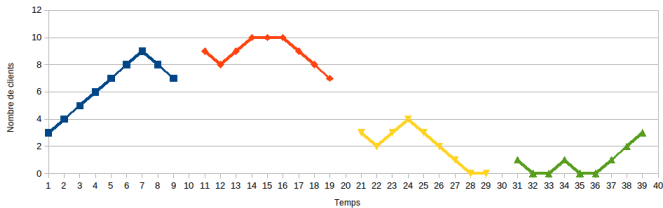
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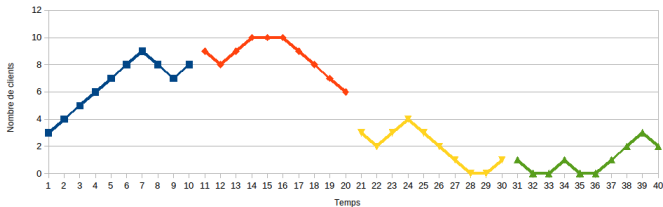
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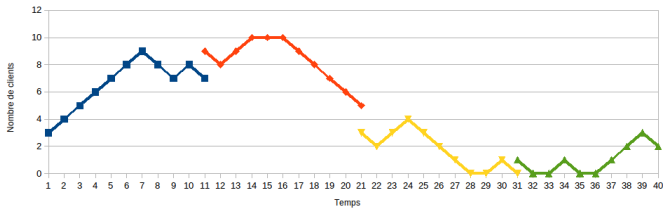
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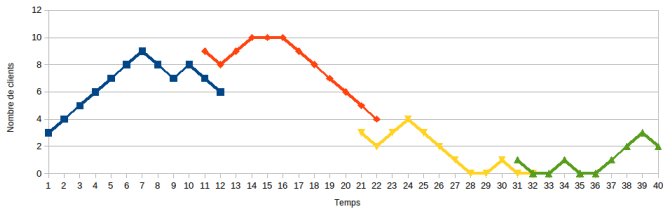
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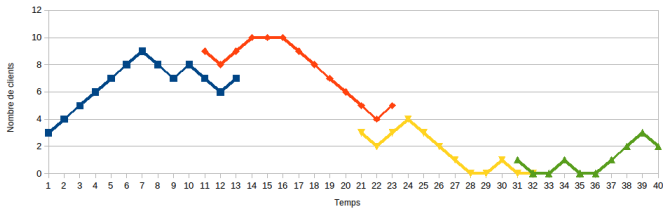
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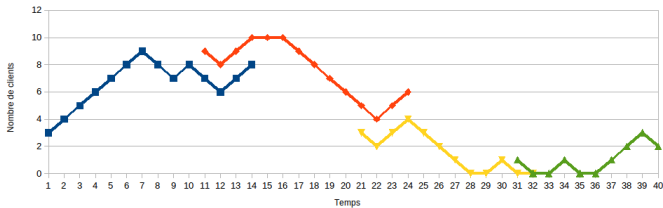
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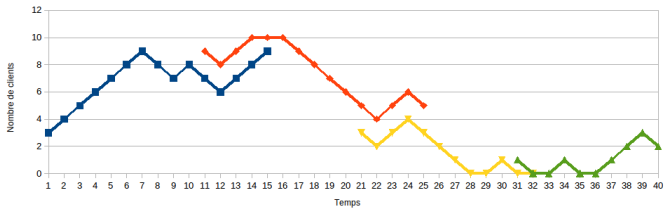
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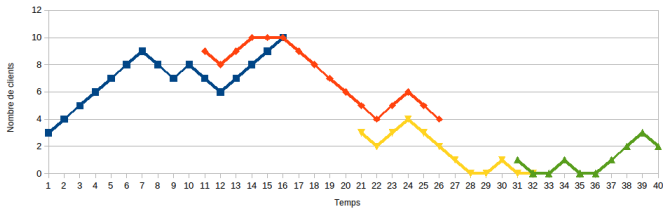
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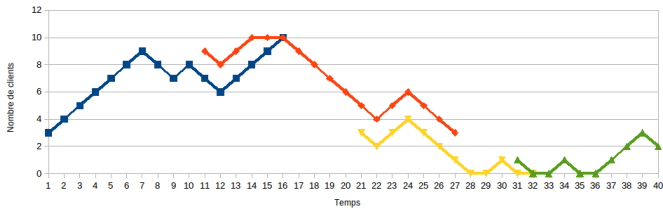
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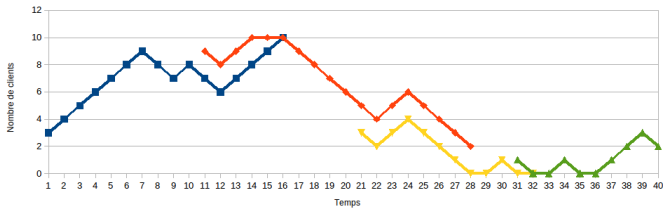
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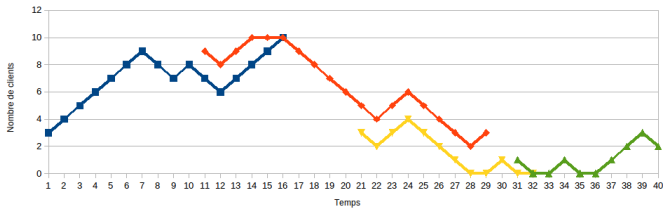
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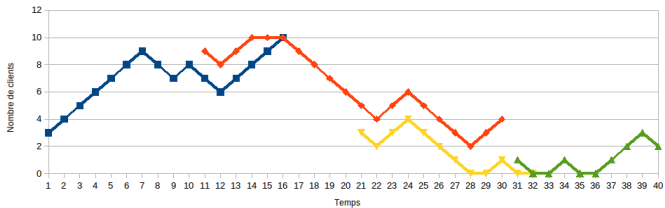
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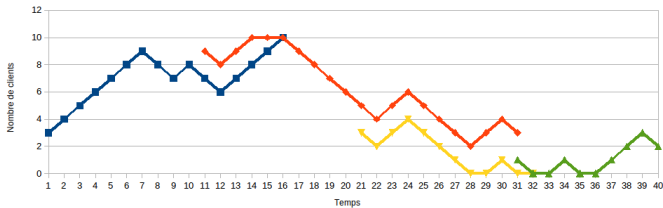
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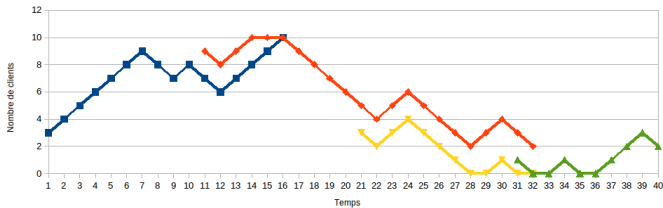
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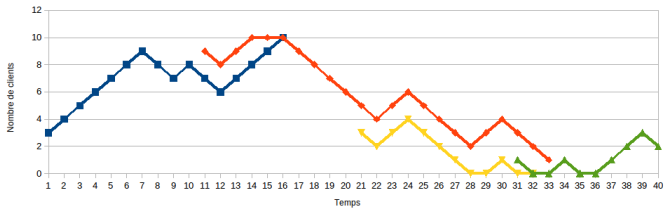
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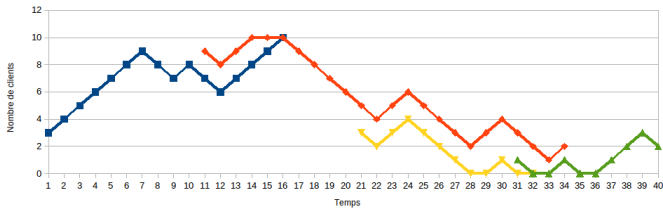
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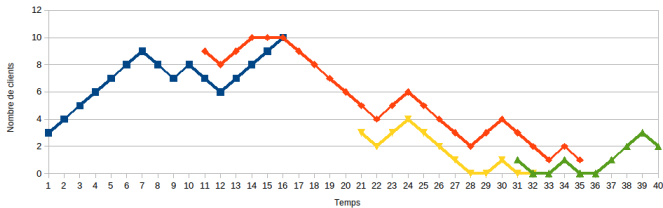
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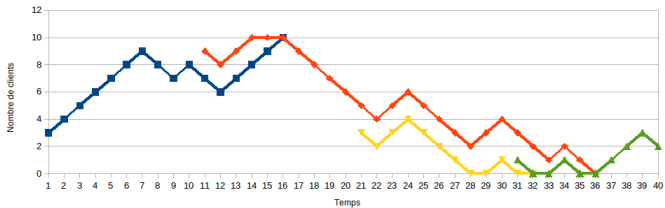
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Parallelization framework

OpenMP with tasks

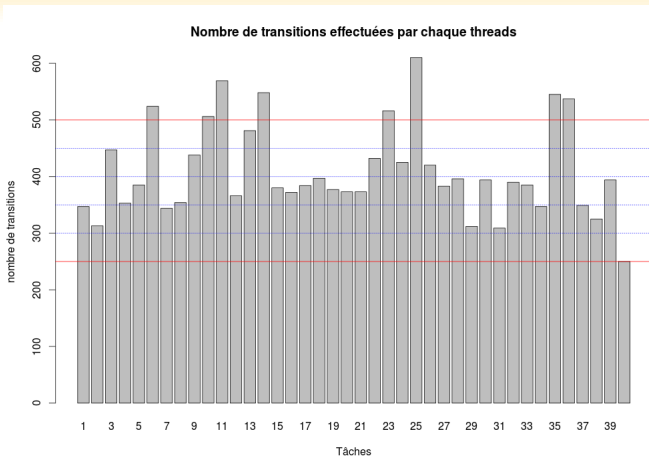
- Automatic thread kernel management
- Task model, (easy to implement)
- previous versions in psi3

Data structures

- Array of linked lists
 - State
 - Task id
- Linked lists of trajectories
 - Initial task id
 - Coupling task id
 - trajectory reference id
- List of events
- Coherent trajectory

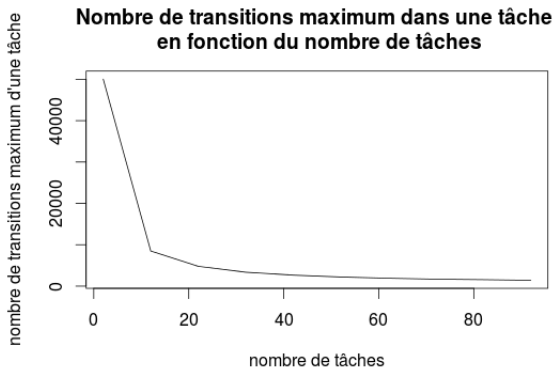


Coupling times



Simulation of a 40 servers Call center, trajectory length = 10000

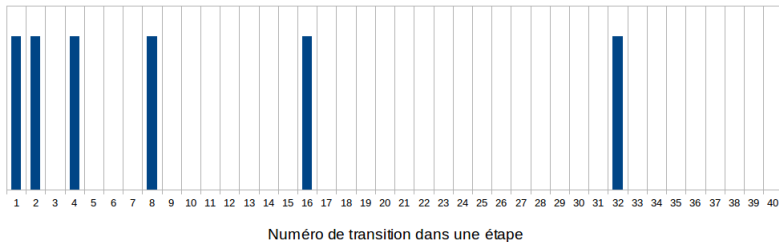
Work



M / M / 1 5 threads and 300 samples



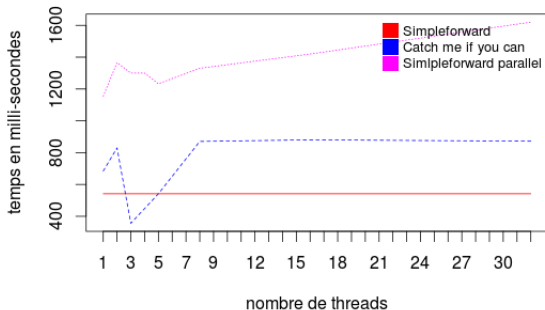
Shared memory calls



Shared memory access scheme

Simulation time of a $M/M/1$

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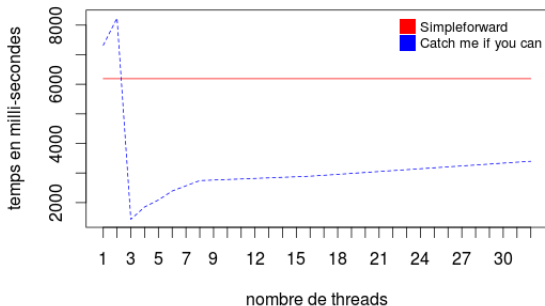


IDFreeze (48 cores) same event list



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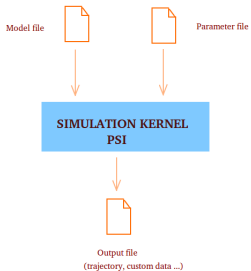


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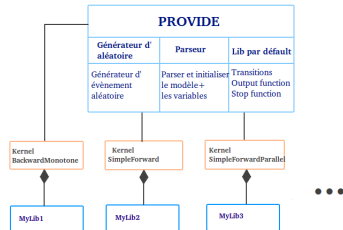
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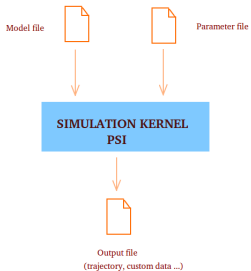


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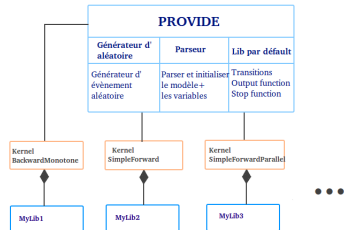


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Synthesis

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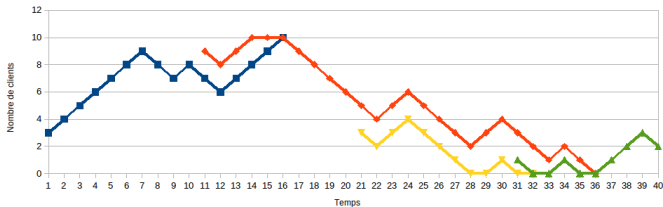
- Implementation of Nicol's algorithm
 - still not efficient
 - tuning procedures ???
- Implementation of Catch me if you can
 - still not efficient
 - better cores utilization
 - better execution time

Further work

- Optimization mechanisms : threads scheduling, memory decomposition,...
- Scheduling strategies
- Synchronization schemes
- I/O parallelization



Open questions



On p resources

$$T_p(n) \leq T_1\left(\frac{n}{p}\right) + \max_{1 \leq k \leq p-1} \tau_k$$

Hitting times : $\tau_{x,y}$