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#### Abstract

The automotive industry is facing a rapid technological evolution and the request of a very high level of customization of the products. This requires production systems able to manage a high variety of products with low volumes. To this aim, this paper focuses on multi-product assembly lines consisting of a set of stations with a robot operating the transportation and handling of the parts. Due to the high variety of the parts to be processed, perfect balancing is not possible, hence, proper control policies are requested to operate the line. The paper proposes a predictive-reactive scheduling approach to minimize the batch completion time by sequencing the tasks operated by shared resources in a context with uncertain processing times. The viability of the approach is demonstrated through the application to an industrial problem in the automotive industry.


## 1 Introduction and motivation

More and more, the automotive industry has to cope with an increasing variety of models as well as multiple and heterogeneous materials and assembly technologies. Although the total number of parts constituting the car body has been significantly reduced, from about 500 in the late ' 90 s to about $250 / 300$ in more recent models [4], assembling the car body and its components (doors, fenders, etc.) still represents a critical phase in the production of a car. These processes are traditionally operated in assembly lines with a very high degree of automation, whose design has evolved in the past 30 years to match the evolution of the requirements for the automotive industry and taking advantage of industrial robots. Moreover, if we focus on the production of spare parts, the very low volumes for a single model requires processing multiple parts on the same assembly line to guarantee a reasonable utilization factor for the equipment. In addition, the rapid evolution of car models drives the need of frequently changing the mix of products to be processed and the associated volumes (at least on an annual basis).

Flexible and/or reconfigurable lines are the main design paradigms to cope with these requirements [?] according to the co-evolution principle [?], defined as the need of modifying the configuration of a production system together with the changes affecting the products or the processes. The technological advances of modern industrial equipment and the high degree of flexible automation are supporting the fulfilling of these needs but, from a design point of view, traditional line-balancing approaches are hardly effective. In fact, as the products (and the processing times) changes, a design that is balanced for a subset of products, is not likely to remain balanced for the whole product mix. The need to cope with unbalanced assembly lines increases the relevance of control policies able to properly schedule the operations to be executed according to the specific parts and processing times.

In this paper, we consider a class of assembly lines consisting of a set of assembly stations, an input and an output station and a handling robot moving on a track (see the example in Figure 1). The stations are positioned on both the sides of the track of the robot and implement technologies (e.g., clinching or hemming), while the handling robot moves the parts to be processed among the stations. Each station operates a specific manufacturing technology, in a way that the entire assembly process can be executed in the assembly line. In the input and output stations, the components to be assembled are loaded and the final part unloaded. Due to the high variety of products, loading and unloading operations are executed by human workers. This class of assembly line usually operates as a multi-product line, thus, the production is operated in batches of the same product type, with set-up phases to move from the production of one part to another.

Grounding on this, considering a single batch, the parts to be produced have the same process and routing, as in a flow-shop system, but some operations (e.g., transportation) need a resource (the handling robot) that is shared among different operations. The consequence is the possible presence of simultaneous


Figure 1: Exemplar assembly line with 4 technological stations.
requests for the same resource that require the sequencing of the operations that share those resources. In addition to this, the duration of every operation executed in the line is subject to uncertainty, e.g., due to the human execution of input and output operations and possible breakdown or micro stops for the automated stations.

The aim of this work is to investigate control policies for the described class of assembly lines grounding on a predictive-reactive scheduling approach aiming at minimizing the completion time to produce a batch of identical parts, and able to face the process uncertainty. In particular, the proposed predictive-reactive $(P R)$ scheme firstly provides a baseline schedule taking into consideration the uncertainty affecting the processing times to a certain extent, then, as soon as the uncertainty discloses, a reactive scheduling step is operated to adapt the baseline schedule to the actual duration of the operations.

Outline The paper is organized as follows: Section 2 provides an analysis of the literature, while the complete problem statement is presented in Section 3 where the scheduling problem that is dealt with is formalized. In Section 4, the solution approach is described in terms of the predictive step in Section 4.1 and the reactive step in Section 4.2. The viability of the approach is demonstrated through the application to an industrial problem in Section 5. Conclusions and future development directions are provided in Section 6. Additional data and tables are included in Appendix.

## 2 State of art

Flow-shop scheduling problems have been extensively investigated in the last decades addressing many variants of the base shop problem.

The most important contributions in the area of control policies for flow shops considering uncertainty are presented in $[16,17]$, addressing the minimization of the expected value of the completion time by identifying an optimal
sequence of jobs to be processed. In this paper, we consider the production of a batch of identical jobs, thus, sequencing is not a decision to be taken. The focus of this work is on sequencing operations involving a shared resource, i.e., a transported moving the parts from a station to another.

Under this perspective, the flexible assembly system scheduling problem have been considered. An example is the approach presented in [? ] where authors consider the scheduling of flexible manufacturing cell to determine the transportation order of the jobs, together to the assignment of jobs to processing resources.

Other relevant contributions have been presented in [? ? ? ? ? ] considering the material handling cost as one of the main driver for the optimization of a flexible system. Both these approaches can be adapted to match the assembly line under study in this article, but they are limited to deterministic parameters and are not designed to be used as control mechanisms during the execution of the schedules.

Other relevant contributions are those focusing on the scheduling of robotic cells and the cyclic robot scheduling problem [? ]. The first group of works [? ? ? ] study the robotic flow shop systems in which one or more stages are served by one or more robots, very similar to the one under analysis in this paper. These studies focus on the identification of the bottleneck of the process and use it as the decision point for scheduling the operations. These approaches are not suitable with the problem under study because they consider the physical modification of the system. While the second one study the systems in which a manufacturing system is served by a handling robot working as a transportation device [? ? ? ]. In these works, the main aim is to regulate the handling robot missions in order to minimize the completion time of a single job. Also in these cases, the duration of every operation is considered deterministic without the possibility to regulate the on-line management of the system.

Grounding on this analysis, more general scheduling approaches related to the Resource-Constrained Project Scheduling Problem ( $R C P S P$ ) have been taken into consideration [19]. Due to the need to cope with uncertainty, two sub-problems have been addressed: the stochastic $R C P S P$ and the rescheduling of manufacturing systems.

The research related to the stochastic $R C P S P$ aims at minimizing a scheduling objective function, e.g., the completion time, by developing policies rather than schedules. A policy is a set of rules that support scheduling decisions, i.e., if a certain event occurs, then a specific action has to be taken. A first class of approaches formalizes the scheduling decisions as a multi-stage decision problem $[5,7,6]$. Specifically, the scheduling problem is decomposed in multiple decision stages and, for each of them, a schedule of the activities is provided, taking into consideration the availability of resources, precedence constraints as well as the available information related to uncertain variables at that stage.

A second class of approaches includes preselective and early-start policies. Early-start policies $(E S)$ are first introduced in $[10,11]$ and further investigated in [18]. These policies are based on the definition of minimal forbidden sets, i.e., sets of activities with minimal cardinality whose concurrent execution surely
violates the resource constraints. In an $E S$ policy, for each minimal forbidden set $F$ there exists a pair $(i, j), i, j \in F, i \neq j$ that for each sample of activity durations, $j$ cannot start before $i$ has finished. This kind of policies can be implemented by adding a precedence relation $(i, j)$ to the original scheduling problem. On the other hand, preselective policies are introduced in [11], also exploiting the notion of minimal forbidden sets, and also in [14] where a variation of Dijkstra's shortest path algorithm is used. A policy is defined preselective if for each minimal forbidden set $F$ there exist an activity $j \in F$ (the preselected one) that, for each sample $d$ of activity durations, $j$ cannot start before the end of one of the other activities.

Due to the difficulty to identify optimal policies in the stochastic version of the problem, dominance rules have been proposed in [19] and [18]. In [19], branch-and-bound algorithms are developed to provide upper and lower bounds for a given policy. The author also addresses bounds and dominance rules between ES, preselective and job-priority policies. Heuristic approaches for the stochastic $R C P S P$ have also been proposed in [15], combining genetic algorithms and simulation. In [8], an alternative stochastic formulation of the problem is described and solved through a heuristic approach as well. In addition, in [20] and [21] a tabu search algorithm is presented.

More recently, [1] proposed an optimal approach for this class of problems limited to the case of exponential and phase type distributed processing times. All the cited works address the optimization of the expected value of an objective function, e.g., the minimization of the expected completion time. Nevertheless, this does not protect against rare but very extreme scenarios, as discussed in [? ] and in [? ] for a generic production plan, in [?] for the single machine case, and in [?] and [? ] with regards to Make-to-Order processes.

To overcome these limitations, a second class of approaches has been addressed, considering rescheduling actions as the process of updating an existing production schedule in response to disruptions or other changes. Grounding on the framework presented in [? ], we focused our analysis on stochastic and static rescheduling environments. This class of problems considers to have a finite set of jobs or operations to be scheduled, whose durations are uncertain [17? ? ].

We investigated two different classes of methods that are able to solve this problem, dynamic scheduling and predictive-reactive (or proactive-reactive, alternatively). Methods belonging to the first class do not define a baseline schedule, but dispatch jobs and operations as they are ready to start, using only available information [? ? ]. These methods are closely related to real-time control approaches, not considering the uncertainty in advance before the execution of the process. In the problem under study, we assume that a model of the uncertainty associated to process times is available, and thus, the objective is being able to exploit this information. Methods belonging to the second class start with the definition of a baseline schedule, i.e., an initial schedule that takes uncertainty into consideration to a certain extent. Afterwards, triggered by possible deviations with respect to the baseline schedule, a rescheduling step is operated, with the aim of revising the baseline one, thus reacting to what occurred.

Within this class of approaches, it is relevant to mention [13] who demonstrates that the scheduling problem with a single conflict and precedence constraints is already strongly NP-hard even for a single machine. Moreover, [9] propose exact methods to build robust baseline schedules. Further relevant approaches from this class are proposed in [12] and [2]. The first one presents a chance-constrained approach, while the second one first develops a set of possible scheduling solutions and later on decides how and when to switch among them during the execution of the process.

Differently from these approaches, the one proposed in this paper grounds on a two-stage scheme i) able to identify a set of constraints to be enforced among the operations and addressing rare and extreme scenarios that can affect the completion time, ii) by taking advantage of the specific characteristics of the scheduling problem, e.g., the repetition of the jobs. Moreover, the reactive step is intended to be operated on-line during the processing of the assembly process, triggered by possible deviations between the actual and estimated durations of the operations.

## 3 Problem statement

We consider the process of assembling a batch of identical parts in a manufacturing system organized as a flow shop, with no buffer between the stations. The operations to be executed are represented through an Activity-on-Node (AoN) network of activities where $V=\{0,1, \ldots, m\}$ is the set of nodes representing operations and $E=(x, j), x, j \in V$ the set of arcs modelling precedence constraints. An example is shown in Figure 2 with an input $\left(I_{i}\right)$ and output $\left(O_{i}\right)$ operations at the beginning and at the end of the process, two assembly operations ( $A_{1 i}$ and $A_{2 i}$ ) and three transport operations, one between the input and the assembly station $\left(T_{1 i}\right)$, a second one between the two assembly stations $\left(T_{2 i}\right)$ and a third one between the second assembly station and the output $\left(T_{3 i}\right)$. This process is repeated for each part $i$ in a batch of $n$ identical parts, with $i \in[1, n]$. Being a permutation flow shop, all the parts are processed according to the same sequence in all the stations. Hence, the first assembly operation on the job 1 will be executed before the same operation on job 2 , thus, $A_{11} \prec A_{12}$ (where $\prec$ represents a precedence constraint).

Transport operations $T_{1 i}, T_{2 i}$ and $T_{3 i}$ require the handling robot. Due to the absence of buffers between subsequent stations, while a part is waiting for the robot, it blocks the station where it has been processed. For this reason, to define the sequencing of all the operations in the system, additional constraints must be added between transport operations, e.g. $T_{21} \prec T_{12}$ [? ]. Hence, scheduling the missions of the robot is the main decision impacting the performance of the system. As an example, let us consider operations $T_{11}, T_{12}, T_{31}$ and $T_{32}$, where $T_{i j}$ is the transport operation $i$ for job $j$. While the precedence relation $T_{11} \prec T_{32}$ is a consequence of the structure of the process $\left(T_{11} \prec A_{11} \prec T_{21} \prec\right.$ $A_{21} \prec T_{31} \prec T_{32}$ ), the sequencing of $T_{31}$ and $T_{12}$ is not $a$-priori defined. We model the described scheduling problem through the introduction of disjunctive


Figure 2: $A o N$ network of activities for a $n$-product batch.
constraints defined as a set of two alternative precedence constraints whereof only one has to be added to $E$. The selection of these constraints is operated with the aim at minimizing the completion time of a batch of jobs. The constraints of this type are represented with the set $E_{D C}$, additional to $E$.

Random variables are used to model processing times to take into consideration manual activities or the occurrence of micro-failures (e.g., tool changes). Processing times are represented through a vector $\tilde{\mathbf{p}}=\tilde{p}_{0}, \ldots, \tilde{p}_{m}$, where $p_{i}$ is a sample from the distribution associated to $\tilde{p}_{i}$ and $\mathbf{p}=p_{0}, \ldots, p_{m}$ a sample of the entire set of random processing times $\tilde{\mathbf{p}}, \forall i \in[1, m]$.

The approach grounds on a formal description of the problem reported in Table 1.

## 4 Solution approach

The predictive-reactive scheduling approach consists of two steps. The first one provides a baseline schedule grounding on a given duration of the operations affected by uncertainty (e.g., a quantile of the associated distribution), thus, addressing a deterministic problem. The second step is applied during the execution of the process, considering the actual duration of the operations. Every time a delay from the baseline schedule is identified, a reaction is evaluated to check whether the constraints selected in the previous step are still optimal. If not, a new set of constraints is selected.

| Sets |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| V | set of nodes representing operations |
| $E$ | set of arcs representing precedence constraints |
| ( ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | vector of random processing times |
| $\mathrm{p}^{\mathbf{q}}$ | vector of processing times, using a quantile $q$ |
| $A(t)$ | set of on-going operations at time $t$ |
| $\Omega$ | state space |
| O | set of operations in execution |
| $F$ | set of completed operations |
| $S$ | set of starting times |
| $\begin{aligned} & d_{O}(o, t) \\ & \operatorname{prec}(k) \end{aligned}$ | set of durations of operations in execution, $\forall o \in O$, at time $t$ set of operations preceding operation $k$ |
| Variables |  |
| $E_{D C}$ | set of arcs added with the predictive step |
| $S_{j}$ | starting time of operation $j, \forall j \in V$ |
| Parameters |  |
| q | quantile $\in(0,1)$ |
| $p_{j}^{q}$ | processing time of operation $j$ using quantile $q$ |
| $r_{j}{ }^{\text {q }}$ | equal to 1 if operation $j$ needs handling robot, 0 otherwise |
| $Q_{k}^{p^{q}}$ | eligible time of operation $k$ |
| $t$ | time index |
| $n$ | number of parts in the batch |
| $m$ | number of operations considered |
| $\tau$ | schedule time horizon |
| $\Delta_{j, x}^{p^{q}}$ | difference between eligible times of operations $j$ and $x$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & \Delta_{j, x}^{T, t} \\ & \omega(\mathbf{p}, t) \end{aligned}$ | threshold of the difference between eligible times of operations $j$ and $x$ state of the system at time $t$ and processing times $\mathbf{p}$ |
| $C T$ | probability threshold |
| $\Delta_{k, x}^{\mathrm{p}}(t)$ | actual difference between the eligible times of operations $x$ and $k$ at time $t$ |

Table 1: Notation for set, parameters and variables.

### 4.1 Predictive step

The predictive step assigns all the operations a duration derived from a quantile $q \in(0,1)$ of the stochastic distributions modelling the processing times, thus, obtaining a vector $\mathbf{p}^{\mathbf{q}}=p_{0}^{q}, \ldots, p_{m}^{q}$. The selection of the quantile depends on the risk aversion to be adopted in this step. The higher the quantile, the smaller the probability to experience a delay with respect to the baseline schedule during the reactive step and, consequently, the more cautious the baseline schedule. Although, it is possible to use different quantiles for each operation, but in the proposed approach, a single value is used.

Under these hypotheses, the predictive step is operated through a deterministic scheduling approach with the aim at minimizing the batch completion time. In doing this, we adopt a classical formulation of a $R C P S P$ [? ] defined
by Equations (1)-(4).

$$
\begin{align*}
& \text { minimize } \quad S_{m}+p_{m}^{q}  \tag{1}\\
& \text { subject to } \\
& S_{x}+p_{x}^{q} \leq S_{j} \quad \forall(x, j) \in E  \tag{2}\\
& \sum_{j \in A(t)} r_{j} \leq 1 \quad \forall t \in[0, \tau]  \tag{3}\\
& S_{j} \geq 0 \quad \forall j \in V \tag{4}
\end{align*}
$$

The objective function minimizes the batch completion time (Equation (1)), in terms of the completion time $S_{m}+p_{m}^{q}$ of operation $m$ (the last one in the batch), where $S_{j}$ represents the starting time of operation $j, \forall j \in V$. Precedence and resource constraints, defined by Equations (2) and (3) have to be respected.

Resource requirements are
are modelled through a parameter $r_{j}$ equal to 1 if operation $j$ needs the handling robot and 0 otherwise. For every set of on-going operations $A(t)=$ $\left\{j \in V \mid t \in\left[S_{j}, S_{j}+p_{j}^{q}\right]\right\}$, defined at time $t \in \tau$, where $\tau$ is the schedule time horizon, at most one operation is allowed to be executed by the handling robot. This scheduling problem can be solved using the approach described in [3], able to select the constraints to be activated among the disjunctive sets and include them in the set $E_{D C}$ additional to $E$.

Starting from the baseline schedule, a sensitivity analysis is performed on the duration of the operations. For each constraint $(z, x) \in E_{D C}$, the sensitive analysis is used to identify a threshold value for the duration of the operations such that, if exceeded, constraint $(z, x)$ is no longer optimal and the alternative constraint $(x, z)$ should be considered.

To provide an example, let us consider the schedule depicted in Figures 3a - 3d. We consider three jobs 1, 2 and 3 to be processed in an assembly line consisting of three stations and two transport operations among the stations, similar to the example in Figure 2. Hence, job 1 has to undergo five operations: the input $I_{1}$, the first transportation $T_{11}$, the assembly operation $A_{1}$, the second transportation $T_{21}$ and the output $O_{1}$.

Jobs 2 and 3 follow the same process in terms of the set of operations $I_{2}$, $T_{12}, A_{2}, T_{22}, O_{2}$, and $I_{3}, T_{13}, A_{3}, T_{23}, O_{3}$, respectively. Operations $T_{1 i}$ and $T_{2 i}$, with $i \in\{1,2,3\}$ are executed by the handling robot and represented in orange in Figures 3a-3d.

Focusing on transport operations $T_{12}$ and $T_{21}$, competing for the use of the handling robot, two alternative precedence constraints exist, i.e., $\left(T_{12}, T_{21}\right)$ and $\left(T_{21}, T_{12}\right)$ in Figure 3a. $\left(T_{21}, T_{12}\right)$ results optimal due to the shorter completion time compared to the alternative constraint ( 25 and 26 time units, respectively).

We define $Q_{k}^{\mathbf{p}^{\mathbf{q}}}$ as the eligible staring time of an operation $k$, given the processing times $\mathbf{p}^{\mathbf{q}}$ and considering the precedence constraints in $E$, hence, without taking into considerations those in the set $E_{D C}$. The eligible starting time for operation $T_{21}$ is 7 (just after the completion of $A_{1}$ ), while for $T_{12}$ is

6 (after the completion of $T_{11}$ ). The difference between these eligible times is $Q_{T_{21}}^{\mathbf{p}^{\mathbf{q}}}-Q_{T_{12}}^{\mathbf{p}^{\mathbf{q}}}=7-6=1$.

Hence, we take into consideration the variability of the process times in order to evaluate the viability of the precedence constraint $\left(T_{21}, T_{12}\right)$. If the duration of operation $A_{1}$ is longer than 1 time unit, value considered for the identification of the optimal schedule in Figure 3a, a delay of operation $T_{21}$ occurs together with an increased completion time of the whole schedule.

We consider the cases where the duration of operation $A_{1}$ is 1,2 or 3 time units longer than the one considered before (Figures 3b-3d) and suppose to invert the constraint $\left(T_{21}, T_{12}\right)$ to $\left(T_{12}, T_{21}\right)$ as soon as we realize the delay respect to the baseline schedule, e.g., when, after 1 time unit, operation $A_{1}$ is not completed yet. In particular, with a delay of 1 time unit (Figure 3 b ), the completion time enforced by constraint $\left(T_{21}, T_{12}\right)$ remains optimal but, with a delay of 2 time units (Figure 3c) the two constraints provide the same completion time. On the contrary, with a delay of 3 time units, the completion time enforced by $\left(T_{12}, T_{21}\right)$ is shorter than the one with $\left(T_{21}, T_{12}\right)$. Hence, the reversed constraint $\left(T_{12}, T_{21}\right)$ is beneficial for the minimization of the completion time if and only if the delay of operation $T_{21}$ is larger than 2 time units.

To formalize this reasoning, we define $\Delta_{T_{21}, T_{12}}^{\mathbf{p}^{\mathbf{q}}}=Q_{T_{21}}^{\mathbf{p}^{\mathbf{q}}}-Q_{T_{12}}^{\mathbf{p}^{\mathbf{q}}}$ as the difference between the eligible times of the two operations linked by the constraint $\left(T_{21}, T_{12}\right)$. Given $S_{m}^{\left(T_{21}, T_{12}\right)}+p_{m}^{q}$ and $S_{m}^{\left(T_{12}, T_{21}\right)}+p_{m}^{q}$ as the completion times of the schedules obtained with precedence constraints $\left(T_{21}, T_{12}\right)$ and $\left(T_{12}, T_{21}\right)$, respectively. An inversion is effective only if the difference between the eligible times of operations $T_{21}$ and $T_{12}$ is greater than a threshold whose value is the difference between i) the difference of the eligible times and ii) the difference between the completion times, both calculated in the baseline situation. More formally, the threshold is defined as $\Delta_{T_{21}, T_{12}}^{T}=\Delta_{T_{21}, T_{12}}^{\mathrm{p}^{\mathbf{q}}}-\left(S_{m}^{\left(T_{21}, T_{12}\right)}-S_{m}^{\left(T_{12}, T_{21}\right)}\right)$.

Following the example in Figures $3 \mathrm{a}-3 \mathrm{~d}, \Delta_{T_{21}, T_{12}}^{\mathbf{p}^{\mathbf{q}}}=Q_{T_{21}}^{\mathbf{p}^{\mathbf{q}}}-Q_{T_{12}}^{\mathbf{p}^{\mathbf{q}}}=1$ and, thus, the value of the threshold is $\Delta_{T_{21}, T_{12}}^{T}=\Delta_{T_{21}, T_{12}}^{\mathrm{p}^{\mathbf{q}}}-\left(S_{m}^{\left(T_{21}, T_{12}\right)}-S_{m}^{\left(T_{12}, T_{21}\right)}\right)=$ $1-(25-26)=2$. Indeed, during the execution of the assembly process, if the starting time of operation $T_{21}$ experiences a delay bigger than the threshold, then the opposite constraint $\left(T_{12}, T_{21}\right)$ guarantees a shorter completion time than the opposite one.

The $\Delta_{T_{21}, T_{12}}^{T}$ provides a threshold value to identify if a delay of the start time of an operation causes the baseline schedule to be no longer optimal and, hence, it should be modified. This consideration will be used in the reactive step to provide an alarm and trigger possible modifications of the schedule during the execution of the process.

### 4.2 Reactive step

The reactive step is applied at the execution phase, taking into consideration the actual duration of the operations under the hypothesis that this information becomes known (available) only when an operation is completed. Before this


Figure 3: The delay effect on a three-job flow shop. The operations already finished and for which the actual duration is undisclosed are shaded.
event, it is assumed that durations will be the one hypothesized in the predictive step. We also assume to be able to identify a delay of an operation as soon as its completion time become larger than the one in the baseline schedule.

Every time a delay of an operation is identified, the reactive policy evaluates if the constraints associated to that operation included in the set $E_{D C}$ are still optimal. This step grounds on the definition of the state space $\Omega$, i.e., a sequence of states $\omega(\mathbf{p}, t)$ varying over time $t$, defined as $\omega(\mathbf{p}, t)=\left(O, F, S, d_{O}\right) \in \Omega$. Each state is fully described by:

- $O$, set of operations in execution at time $t$;
- $F$, set of completed operations at time $t$;
- $S$, set of starting times of the operations. For the operations in $O$ or $F$, the starting times are already defined, while for operations neither in $O$ nor in $F$, the starting times are not yet decided;
- $d_{O}(o, t)$, set of durations of operations in execution $(o \in O)$ at time $t$.

The reactive step requires the definition of a probability threshold $C T$ representing the limit probability to trigger a modification of the baseline schedule. It could be defined as the inclination to modify the baseline schedule during the reaction step. The smaller the $C T$, the higher the probability to change. The reactive procedure is described in Algorithm 1.

## Reactive-Procedure

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\(\omega(\mathbf{p}, 0)==(0, \emptyset, 0,0)\)
While \(F<>V\)
        \(t=t+1\)
        If \(d_{O}(x, t)-S(x)=p_{x}, \forall x \in O\)
            \(F=F+x\)
        Else
            \(d_{O}(x, t)=d_{O}(x, t)+1\)
        If \(x \notin O \wedge x \notin F \wedge z \in F, \forall z \in(z, x) \in E\)
            If \((k, x) \in E_{D C} \wedge \mathbb{P}\left[\Delta_{k, x}^{\mathrm{p}}(t)>\Delta_{k, x}^{T}\right]>C T\)
                \(E_{D C}=E_{D C}-(k, x)+(x, k)\)
                \(O=O+x\)
                \(S(x)=t\)
                Update \(\Delta^{T}\)
            Else
            \(O=O+x\)
            \(S(x)=t\)
End
```

Algorithm 1: Reactive step procedure.

The algorithm models the execution of the operations starting from $t=0$ with initial state $\omega(\mathbf{p}, 0)=(0, \emptyset, 0,0)$ and finishes when all the operations are completed, i.e., $F=V$ (steps 1-2). It increases the time $t$ together with the durations of operations in execution; every time an operation is completed, the set $F$ is updated (steps 3-7). If there is an operation $x$ that can start because all its predecessors are completed (step 8), it is put into execution and added to the set of ongoing operations $O$ (steps 15-16). On the contrary, if its execution is constrained by the completion of another operation $k$ due to a precedence included in $E_{D C}$ (step 9), then the algorithm checks whether the constraint $(k, x)$ remains optimal for the values in $\mathbf{p}$. In other words, the algorithm checks whether operation $x$ has to wait the completion of operation $k$ respecting the constraint $(k, x) \in E_{D C}$, or not.

This evaluation is done through the estimation of the probability that the actual difference between the eligible times $\Delta_{k, x}^{\mathrm{p}}(t)$, estimated at time $t$ and considering values in $\mathbf{p}$, exceeds the threshold identified in the predictive step: $\mathbb{P}\left[\Delta_{k, x}^{\mathbf{p}}(t)>\Delta_{k, x}^{T}\right]$. If this probability exceeds the threshold $C T$, the reaction is applied by inverting the constraint $(k, x)$ and operation $x$ is put in execution (steps 10-12). If the reaction is applied, the set containing all the thresholds $\Delta^{T}$ is updated because the sensitivity analysis done during the predictive step could be not valid anymore. The new threshold is estimated as depicted in Figures 3a - 3d in Section 4.1, with the difference that the precedence constraint between job 1 and the previous one has been reversed.

The $\mathbb{P}\left[\Delta_{k, x}^{\mathrm{p}}(t)>\Delta_{k, x}^{T}\right]$ is estimated considering the duration of the each operation in $O$ preceding $k$ and their distributions $\tilde{p}, \forall u \in \operatorname{prec}(k)$, where $\operatorname{prec}(k)$ is the set of operations preceding $k$ (Equation (5)).

$$
\begin{align*}
& \mathbb{P}\left[\Delta_{k, x}^{\mathbf{p}}(t)>\Delta_{k, x}^{T}\right]= \\
& =\mathbb{P}\left[Q_{k}^{\mathbf{p}}-Q_{x}^{\mathbf{p}}>\Delta_{k, x}^{T} \mid t, d_{O}(u, t), \tilde{p}_{u}\right]  \tag{5}\\
& =\mathbb{P}\left[\max _{u \in \operatorname{prec}(k)}\left(S_{u}^{\mathbf{p}}+p_{u}\right)-Q_{x}^{\mathbf{p}}>\Delta_{k, x}^{T} \mid t, d_{O}(u, t), \tilde{p}_{u}\right]  \tag{6}\\
& \quad=\mathbb{P}\left[\max _{u \in \operatorname{prec}(k)}\left(S_{u}^{\mathbf{p}}+p_{u}-d_{O}(u, t)\right)>\Delta_{k, x}^{T}+Q_{x}^{\mathbf{p}}-t \mid t, \tilde{p}_{u}\right] \tag{7}
\end{align*}
$$

The probability that $\Delta_{k, x}^{\mathrm{p}}(t)$ is bigger than $\Delta_{k, x}^{T}$ is equal to the probability that the difference between the completion time of the last preceding operation of $k$ and the eligible time of $x$ is bigger than $\Delta_{k, x}^{T}$ (Equation (6)). In this case, $\max _{u \in \operatorname{prec}(k)}\left(S_{u}^{\mathbf{P}}+p_{u}\right)$ represents the completion time of the last preceding operation of $k$, with $p_{u}$ as the actual duration of operation $u$, and $Q_{x}^{\mathbf{p}}$ as the eligible time of $x$. Obviously, since operation $k$ is not yet eligible at time instant $t, S_{u}^{\mathbf{p}}+p_{u}$ is unknown for at least one operation $u$ preceding $k$, thus, its distribution $\tilde{p}_{u}$ and its on-going duration $d_{O}(u, t)$ affect the estimation.

In other words, we estimate the probability (Equation (7)) that the residual duration of the operations preceding $k$ at time $t\left(S_{u}^{\mathbf{P}}+p_{u}-d_{O}(u, t)\right)$, representing the time units to be waited until operation $k$ becomes eligible, is bigger than the time units until the threshold is reached $\left(\Delta_{k, x}^{T}+Q_{x}^{\mathbf{p}}-t\right)$. This estimation is executed at time $t$, where $d_{O}(u, t)$ and $Q_{x}^{\mathbf{p}}$ are deterministic values, since
the first one is the on-going duration of operation $u$ and the second one is the eligible time of operation $x$. In the cases where not all the predecessors of $k$ are on-going, thus, $d_{O}(u, t)$ is unknown for at least one $u^{*} \in \operatorname{prec}(k)$, its starting time $S_{u^{*}}^{\mathrm{p}}$ has to be estimated considering its set of predecessors (e.g., the set $v \in \operatorname{prec}\left(u^{*}\right)$ ) following the same logic as described for the set $\operatorname{prec}(k)$.

## 5 Application

### 5.1 Use-case presentation

The proposed approach has been validated on an industrial case considering the assembly process of the door of a car. The process takes as input the structure of the door and applies additional components using different assembly technologies.

This process has been implemented by the $O E M$ company providing the industrial case adopting an assembly line following the layout in Figure 1, composed of a set of stations (4 in the example) that operate a specific assembly technology and a handling robot to transport the door and its component through the line, moving on its track. A control unit (CU) as well as input and output stations are also present.

This system operates an assembly process as described in Figure 2. The assembly operations to be executed are reported in Figures 4a - 4d and entails one or more of the following operations:

1. the assembly of two hinges for the opening mechanism through a nut pressing operation (Figure 4a);
2. the assembly of a reinforcement bar through a spot welding operation (Figure 4b);
3. the joining of the resulting inner part (in Figure 4c) and outer part of the door (Figure 4 d ) through a roll hemming operation.

Between any pair of operations, the handling robot transports the inner part of the door from a station to the following one.

### 5.2 Testing phase

In order to test the presented approach we consider three different assembly processes, with 1,2 or 3 of assembly operations and, thus, 5,7 or 9 operations respectively, including the input and output operations, and the transport ones between assembly operations.

For the cases with 7 and 9 operations, we assume the absence of buffers, while for the case with 5 operations we assume the presence of a one-position buffer after the assembly station. In addition, the duration of every operation is subject to uncertainty (human execution for the input and output operations


Figure 4: Assembly steps for assembly a door of a car.
and micro stops for the others). Thus, we assume stochastic processing times modelled through uniform or triangular distributions.

In the following testing phase, the parameters of the distributions are randomly generated by choosing the average value ( $\mu$ for the uniform distributions and the mode value $p v$ for the triangular ones) in the range $[2,50]$, and the lower and upper limits ( $l l$ and $u l$ ) using a parameter $\lambda \in(0,1)$. For the uniform distribution, the $\mu$ value is exactly the average value between the lower and the upper limit, thus $l l=\mu(1-\lambda)$ and $u l=\mu(1+\lambda)$. For the triangular distributed variables, the mode value $p v$ is closer to the lower limit than to the upper one in order to provide a reasonable model, thus, $l l=p v(1-\lambda / 2)$ and $u l=p v(1+\lambda)$.

In a first experimental phase, we use this model for the investigation of the average behaviour of the approach by generating a series of instances using different values of $\lambda$, and a number of jobs equal to 5 or 10. For each combination of the values of $\lambda$ and number of jobs, 5 different instances have been generated
and analyzed by applying Algorithm 1 considering 10, 000 samples from the set $p$ and different quantiles $q$ as well as Change Threshold $C T$. The parameters used are summarized in Table 2. This test is used to evaluate the impact of the

| Parameter | Range |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\lambda$ | 0.30 .50 .90 .95 |  |
| $q$ | 0.10 .30 .50 .70 .9 |  |
| $C T$ | 0.10 .30 .50 .70 .9 |  |

Table 2: Set of parameters used in the experimental phase.
risk aversion used in the predictive step $(q)$ and the tendency to change used during the reaction step $(C T)$.

For each instance, the proposed approach has been applied and compared with i) the completion time obtained through the application of the predictive step only ( $P$-only), ii) a conventional dispatching algorithm and iii) the best possible scheduling solution identified by the algorithm in [3], under the hypothesis that processing times are given. In particular, the conventional dispatching algorithm applies the First Come First Served rule combined with the Fewest Remaining Operations rule [?] (FCFS/FRO). In this way, the FCFS is applied but, if two or more transport activities ask for the handling robot at the same time instant, the one with fewest reaming operations is one served first, thus applying the $F R O$ rule.

On the other hand, the algorithm used for the third comparison is able to identify the best solution of the deterministic problem in $100 \%$ of the cases (no limit for the computational time is enforced). The performance of the presented approach has been measured in terms of the Average Quadratic Distance (AQD) of the estimated cumulative density function $(c d f)$ of the completion time from the best solution completion time $c d f$ and then compared to the same measure for the $P$-only and the $F C F S / F R O$ cases.

The $A Q D$ between two $c d f$ s represents the measure of the area between them, that is the difference between their integrals. If the distribution functions have different shapes, it could happen that the two $c d f$ s have an intersection, thus there is no dominance in terms of quantiles (Figure 5 b ). In this case, the $A Q D$ only gives a partial understanding. When one of the two $c d f \mathrm{~s}$ dominates the other one, as depicted in Figure 5a, the $A Q D$ represents the absolute difference between the two distributions and, thus, it is a valuable measure of the performance.

Moreover, to provide a more detailed comparison of the $c d f \mathrm{~s}$ associated to the application of the predictive-reactive, the $P$-only and the $F C F S / F R O$, we compare their quantiles (see Figures 5a-5b). The results are reported in Tables 7-12 (in Appendix) where for each combination of the values of $C T$ and $q$, and for different quantiles, we show the difference between the value of the $P$-only's $c d f$ and the predictive-reactive one. Aggregated results are reported in Table 3. It is possible to see that, for the three quantiles analyzed (10th, 50 th and 90th) this difference is always positive or equal to 0 , showing that


Figure 5: $A Q D$ as the measure of the area between distribution functions and the representation of different quantiles.
the predictive-reactive's cdf lies below the $P$-only $c d f$. Similar results have been obtained for the $F C F S / F R O c d f$. As a consequence, the $A Q D$ represents a valuable performance measure in comparison with the $P$-only approach.

| 5 Jobs |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Q10 | Q50 | Q90 |
| 5-uniform | 1.6 | 1.7 | 0.1 |
| 5-triangular | 1.4 | 1.5 | 0.1 |
| 7-uniform | 1.5 | 1.6 | 0.1 |
| 7-triangular | 1.3 | 1.4 | 0.1 |
| 9-uniform | 1.6 | 1.7 | 0.1 |
| 9-triangular | 1.3 | 1.5 | 0.2 |
| 10 Jobs |  |  |  |
|  | Q10 | Q50 | Q90 |
| 5-uniform | 1.2 | 1.0 | 0.1 |
| 5-triangular | 1.0 | 0.9 | 0.1 |
| 7-uniform | 1.4 | 1.3 | 0.1 |
| 7-triangular | 1.0 | 0.9 | 0.2 |
| 9-uniform | 1.8 | 1.6 | 0.1 |
| 9-triangular | 1.1 | 1.0 | 0.3 |

Table 3: Average difference between the 10th, 50 th and 90 th quantiles $P$-only's $c d f$ and the predictive-reactive $c d f$.

The results of the tests in terms of the $A Q D$ are reported in Tables 13-18 (in Appendix), each one referring to a different set of instances where both the number of operations to be executed ( 5,7 or 9 ) and the distributions associated
to the processing times (uniform or triangular) vary. Each table reports the value of the $A Q D$ between the solution obtained with the predictive-reactive approach $(P R)$, the $P$-only one, or the $F C F S / F R O$ approach against the optimal solution obtained under complete information.

The results show that the $P R$ always performs better than the $P$-only and the $F C F S / F R O$, i.e., the value of the distance between the $c d f$ obtained with the $P R$ approach and the one associated to the optimal solution is always smaller or equal to the one obtained with alternative approaches. In the cases where the performance of $P R$ and $P$-only are equal, it always means that no reaction has been operated in the reactive step and, thus, the schedule obtained through the predictive step was robust enough (or even overcautious). This happens in experiments with the highest value of $q$, where longer processing times are used in the baseline schedule and, consequently, the probability of the operations to last longer at the execution phase is low. On the other side, whenever the value of the $A Q D$ for $P R$ is lower than the $P$-only one, then the reactive step improves the schedule by reacting to the occurred changes.

It is possible to claim that the $P R$ approach performs better when the dimension of the problem under study is smaller in terms of both the number of operations and jobs. Taking as an example the experiments with 5,7 and 9 operations with uniform-distributed processing times (Tables 13-15 in Appendix), it is possible to verify that, with the increasing of the number of operations i) the $A Q D$ increases and ii) the difference between $P R$ and $P$-only decreases. Consider the results with $\lambda=0.3$ for the instances with 5 and 7 operations summarized in Figures 6a-6b for the uniform case. The performance of the $P R$ approach is much better than the $P$-only one in the 5 -operation case (Figure 6 a ), and slightly better than the $P$-only one in the 7 -operation case (Figure 6 b ). This behaviour can be explained with the fact that, as the number of operations

(a) In the 5 -operation case, the $A Q D$ of the $P R$ is always lower than the $P$-only one.
(b) In the 7 -operation case, the $A Q D$ of the $P R$ is slightly lower than the $P$-only one.

Figure 6: Comparison between the $P R$ and $P$-only approaches in the 5 - and 7 -operations cases with uniformly distributed processing times.
are small, every single decision has a higher impact on the objective function
and, hence, being able to react at the right time as an important impact. On the contrary, with a larger number of operations, the possibility to absorb possible deviations within a schedule without the need of modifying it is more likely to occur.

On the other side, the parameter $\lambda$ (influencing the generation of the processing times distribution) seems not to have any impact on the results (namely on the performance of the $P R$ approach). In fact, in some cases, a smaller value for $\lambda$ entails better performance than with a larger value (e.g., for the 5 -operation instances in Table 13, in Appendix); in other cases, this behaviour is not present (e.g., for the 7 -operation instances in Table 14, in Appendix). In Table 4, a comparison is provided considering the maximum a and the minimum value of the $A Q D$ in respect to the values of $\lambda$ for both the 5 and 7 operations cases with uniform-distributed processing times. It is possible to see that for the 5 -operation case both the minimum and maximum values increase with the increasing of $\lambda$; this behaviour is not true for the 7 -operation case.

| $\lambda$ | 5 operations |  | 7 operations |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\max A Q D$ | $\min A Q D$ | $\max A Q D$ | $\min A Q D$ |
| 0.3 | 3.589 | 2.713 | 104.043 | 102.595 |
| 0.5 | 4.909 | 3.095 | 66.419 | 61.229 |
| 0.9 | 14.901 | 11.829 | 97.585 | 90.206 |
| 0.95 | 17.910 | 13.902 | 107.323 | 101.653 |

Table 4: Comparison of the impact of $\lambda$ on the $P R$ performances for the 5 - and 7 -operation cases with uniformly distributed processing times.

Moreover, also the distribution of the processing times has an impact on the performance. Indeed, all the considered approaches perform better in the instances with uniformly distributed processing times, in comparison with triangularly distributed ones. This is an expected result for robust approaches. In fact, as the difference between extreme scenarios and expected values increases, it is more difficult to protect the schedule. With regards to the shape of the two distributions, given a quantile, i.e., $q=0.9$, the range of possible values in the remaining 0.1 -tail is larger with triangular distributions than with uniform ones, and consequently the impact on the schedule can be higher.

Beyond these considerations, it was not possible to identify a quantitative model explaining the behaviour of the two approaches respect to a variation of the considered parameters, nevertheless, few additional remarks can be provided.

In some cases, the $P R$ improves the $P$-only schedule for all the combinations of $q$ and $C T$, e.g., in the 5 -operation case in Table 13, in Appendix (for which the case with $\lambda=0.9$ and $q=0.9$ is reported in Figure 7a); in other cases, the $P R$ is beneficial in a subset of these combinations of parameters only, e.g., in the 9 -operation case in Table 15, in Appendix (for which the case with $\lambda=0.95$ and $q=0.9$ is reported in Figure 7b).

(a) In the 5 -operation case with uniform distributions and $\lambda=0.9$ and $q=0.9$, the $P R$ approach performs better in terms of the $A Q D$ for any value of $C T$.
(b) In the 9-operation case with uniform distributions and $\lambda=0.95$ and $q=0.9$, the $P R$ approach performs better in terms of the $A Q D$ only for $C T=0.1$.

Figure 7: Comparison between the $P R$ and $P$-only approaches in the 5 - and 9 -operations cases with uniformly distributed processing times.

This entails a difficulty in tuning the parameters of the approach to obtain the best performance in terms of robustness. In fact, in the first case, it is possible to match the aversion to risk and the agility to react, by tuning the parameter $q$ and $C T$ respectively. For example, in the case of a very fast handling robot, the user can select a low $C T$ or, in the case the uses prefers to have a more stable schedule (minimize the number of modifications operated in the reaction step), an higher $q$ can be selected. In the second case, the only viable approach to tune the parameters of the approach is through a testing phase during or before the operating phase of the assembly line, to provide the best benefit.

A second set of experiments has been carried out to test the behaviour of the approach in case of extreme and rare cases where the duration of the operations can be longer. We generated 7 -operation instances whose processing times are modelled through triangular distributions with longer right tails $(\lambda \in\{1.5,1.8\})$. From an industrial point of view, these distributions model cases where the operations, e.g., the loading of part or a component, have a small variability but, in case a problem arises then their duration is much longer, although these events have a small occurrence probability. Moreover, we limited the sampling
phase for the testing to values $p_{i}$ in the rightmost 0.1 tail, i.e., $\mathbb{P}\left[\tilde{p}_{i}=p_{i}\right] \geq 0.9$, with $i=[0, \ldots, m]$. The results of these experiments are reported in Table 5 .

| 1.5 | q | PR |  |  |  |  |  | FCFS/FRO |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.9 | P-only |  |
|  | 0.1 | 2.818 | 2.871 | 2.731 | 2.772 | 2.818 | 3.265 | 3.986 |
|  | 0.3 | 2.146 | 2.249 | 2.302 | 2.340 | 2.492 | 2.730 | 2.904 |
|  | 0.5 | 2.180 | 1.756 | 1.762 | 1.860 | 1.905 | 2.140 | 2.336 |
|  | 0.7 | 2.308 | 2.309 | 2.431 | 2.319 | 2.408 | 2.792 | 2.988 |
|  | 0.9 | 2.145 | 2.157 | 2.213 | 2.290 | 2.434 | 2.213 | 4.960 |
| ๙ | q |  | Chan | PR <br> ge Thr | hold |  | P-only | FCFS/FRO |
|  |  | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.9 |  |  |
| 1.8 | 0.1 | 3.210 | 3.265 | 3.265 | 3.219 | 3.215 | 3.380 | 4.653 |
|  | 0.3 | 3.300 | 3.290 | 3.239 | 3.239 | 3.239 | 3.424 | 4.578 |
|  | 0.5 | 3.508 | 3.495 | 3.437 | 3.437 | 3.437 | 3.613 | 3.989 |
|  | 0.7 | 3.970 | 3.970 | 3.970 | 3.313 | 3.313 | 3.444 | 3.481 |
|  | 0.9 | 3.253 | 3.253 | 3.253 | 3.253 | 3.253 | 4.147 | 4.420 |

Table 5: $A Q D$ between the $c d f$ of the optimal solution for the predictive-only ( $P$-only) and the predictive-reactive ( $P R$ ) approaches considering only extreme cases.

These results show that the $P R$ approach is always beneficial in the extreme cases. For both values of $\lambda$, the $A Q D$ in the $P R$ case is always smaller or equal to the ones related to alternative approaches, with a clear impact of parameter $C T$. In some cases, e.g., with $\lambda=1.5$ and a high value of $q$, the selection of $C T$ significantly affects the results that vary from 1.756 to 2.180 , in the case with $q=0.5$.

Hence, the $P R$ approach is significantly relevant to protect the schedule in case of extreme events with low occurrence probability but a consistent impact on the schedule.

### 5.3 Execution time

The presented approach has been implemented on MATLAB version $R 2015 a$ and executed on a laptop with an Intel Core i5 processor at $2.4 G H z$ and $8 G B$ RAM. The computation times (in seconds) for the different instances are reported in Table 6, with the details of the time spent for i) the predictive step, ii) the sensitivity evaluation and iii) the reactive step. It is possible to see that the most time consuming phases are the predictive and sensitivity steps, intended to be operated off-line, before the execution of the schedule. On the contrary, the reactive step always takes less than 1 second to be executed, with a maximum value of 0.177 seconds for the 9 uniform-distributed operations case. Hence, the
execution of the reactive step is compatible with the on-line utilization of the proposed approach.

|  | 5 jobs |  |  |  |  | 10 jobs |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | predictive | sensitivity | reaction | predictive | sensitivity | reaction |  |  |
| 5 uniform | 0.080 | 0.370 | 0.0154 | 0.250 | 2.520 | 0.045 |  |  |
| 5 triangular | 0.070 | 0.240 | 0.0168 | 0.220 | 2.310 | 0.029 |  |  |
| 7 uniform | 0.580 | 1.390 | 0.0195 | 13.730 | 9.780 | 0.087 |  |  |
| 7 triangular | 1.140 | 1.710 | 0.0294 | 11.420 | 9.790 | 0.069 |  |  |
| 9 uniform | 15.510 | 4.880 | 0.0434 | 836.670 | 40.040 | 0.177 |  |  |
| 9 triangular | 0.990 | 2.280 | 0.0372 | 794.400 | 34.080 | 0.152 |  |  |

Table 6: Computation times.
Besides the reaction time, also the time spent to update the list of thresholds every time a reaction is performed has to be considered, with the aim to assess the possibility of running the proposed reactive approach in real-time. The results for the update time are in line with the sensitivity ones. When this time is very low, like for 5 -job 7 -uniform-operation case, it can be executed on-line, during the processing of the batch. In other cases, when the sensitivity analysis requires more calculations, e.g., the 34 seconds measured for the 10 -job 9 -triangular-operation case, an on-line execution of the approach is not feasible. In these cases, two approaches can be pursued: the first one is to execute parallel computing to reduce the computational time since the calculations for the sensitivity analysis are independent from each other; the second one is to set up sensitivity tables during the off-line computation, before the execution of the process. Through the second approach, during the on-line process, the value stored will be directly used when a reaction is needed.

## 6 Conclusions

In this paper, we presented a predictive-reactive flow shop scheduling approach tailored to production lines with a reduced set of shared resources and stochastic processing times. The aim of the approach is to provide a robust schedule considering a batch of repeated jobs of the same type to be scheduled through two steps, the first one able to identify a baseline schedule before the execution of the process and the second one able to verify the optimality of the schedule during the execution of the process and to react to the occurrence of unexpected events, namely a deviation from the expected processing times. The industrial motivation for the proposed approach stems from the need of managing modern reconfigurable and automated assembly lines where, due to the intrinsic impossibility to balance them, the scheduling of operations competing for shared resources (e.g., a handling robot or a transporter) is a relevant problem. The approach has been extensively tested on instances generated from a real industrial case in the automotive sector addressing the assembling of a door.

We demonstrated how the use of the approach could be beneficial in a wide range of cases and particularly valuable when coping with extreme and rare events, i.e., when the processing time of an operation could deviate strongly from the expected values although with a very low occurrence probability. The approach has been tested on instances with 9 operations at most, also demonstrating computation times compatible with the declared on-line utilisation.

Future development will investigate methods for selecting the quantile $q$ to be used in the predictive step grounding on the characteristics of the process and the system, as well as the application to different classes of assembly systems.

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## 8 Appendix



Table 7: Difference between the 10th, 50th and 90 th quantiles predictive-only's $c d f$ and the predictive-reactive $c d f$, for the cases with 5 and 10 jobs, and 5 uniformly distributed processing times.

|  | 0.3 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |  | $\begin{aligned} & 0.5 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
|  | 0.5 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & \text { Q50 } \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |  | 0.5 $Q 50$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{gathered} 0.7 \\ Q 50 \end{gathered}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 1.6 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.4 |  |  |  |  |  | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  | 0.9 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |  |  | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  |  | 1.6 | 1.6 | 0.0 |  | 1.6 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 1.8 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 0.4 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 0.0 |
|  | 0.95 | q | $\begin{array}{lcccc} \\ 0.1 & 0.3 & \text { Change Threshold } \\ 0.5 & 0.7\end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{gathered} 0.3 \\ Q 50 \end{gathered}$ | Q90 |  |  | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 4.0 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 1.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 |
| 10 Jobs |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { ก̃ } \\ & \text { है } \\ & \text { స్త } \end{aligned}$ | 0.3 | q | 0.1 Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{gathered} 0.7 \\ Q 50 \end{gathered}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & 0.90 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.1 |  |  |  |  |  | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
|  |  |  | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | $0.0$ |  |  |  |  |  | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
|  | 0.5 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & \text { Q50 } \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.5 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  | 0.9 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.5 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.4 | 0.4 |  |  |  | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 1.0 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 1.0 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 1.3 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.7 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.1 | $0.0$ | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.4 |
|  | 0.95 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.5 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.9 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.8 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 1.7 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 2.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.5 |

Table 8: Difference between the 10th, 50th and 90th quantiles predictive-only's $c d f$ and the predictive-reactive $c d f$, for the cases with 5 and 10 jobs, and 5 triangularly distributed processing times.

|  | 0.3 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 |  | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.2 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.2 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.7 | 1.3 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 1.4 | 0.2 | 1.0 | 1.5 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 1.4 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 0.2 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.0 |
|  | 0.5 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\stackrel{0.1}{Q 50}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |  |  | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{gathered} 0.9 \\ Q 50 \end{gathered}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.2 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.1 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 1.2 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.0 |
|  | 0.9 | q | 0.1 Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 |  | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 1.1 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 0.1 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 2.1 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 0.9 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 0.2 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 0.2 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 0.1 | 1.1 | 0.9 | 0.1 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.1 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 2.1 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 2.1 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 2.0 | 1.1 | 0.2 | 1.6 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 1.5 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 0.1 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.0 |
|  | 0.95 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |  |  | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 2.5 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 2.5 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 1.8 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 1.9 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 0.0 |  |  | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 2.4 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 |
|  |  |  |  |  | 0.0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10 Jobs |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 0.3 | q | 0.1 Change Threshold 0.3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |  |  | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{gathered} 0.7 \\ Q 50 \end{gathered}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 1.1 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 0.5 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 0.2 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 0.0 |
|  | 0.5 | q | 0.1 Change Threshold 0.3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & \text { Q50 } \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 |  | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{gathered} 0.9 \\ Q 50 \end{gathered}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 2.5 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 2.5 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 2.5 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 2.5 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 2.5 | 2.1 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 2.7 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 2.3 | 0.0 |
|  | 0.9 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & \text { Q50 } \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.5 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{gathered} 0.7 \\ Q 50 \end{gathered}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1.1 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 3.0 | 2.6 | 0.2 | 3.2 | 3.0 | 0.2 | 3.4 | 2.7 | 0.1 | 3.0 | 3.4 | 0.2 | 2.8 | 2.9 | 0.2 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 2.2 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 2.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 3.3 | 2.8 | 0.2 | 3.4 | 2.8 | $0.2$ | 3.0 | 2.3 | 0.2 | 2.9 | 2.3 | 0.3 | 2.9 | 2.3 | 0.3 |
|  |  |  | 3.8 | 2.9 | 0.0 | 3.6 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 3.4 | 2.5 | 0.0 |
|  | 0.95 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.5 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{gathered} 0.9 \\ Q 50 \end{gathered}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 4.6 | 4.2 | 0.0 | 4.6 | 4.2 | 0.0 | 4.6 | 4.4 | 0.0 | 4.6 | 4.3 | 0.0 | 4.6 | 4.4 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 5.0 | 4.1 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 4.1 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 4.1 | 0.0 | 4.9 | 4.1 | 0.0 | 5.2 | 4.1 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 5.3 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 5.3 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 5.3 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 5.3 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 5.3 | 4.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 5.2 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 5.2 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 5.2 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 5.2 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 5.2 | 3.9 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 4.8 | 4.4 | 0.0 | 4.8 | 4.4 | 0.0 | 4.8 | 4.4 | 0.0 | 4.8 | 4.4 | 0.0 | 4.9 | 4.4 | 0.0 |

Table 9: Difference between the 10th, 50th and 90 th quantiles predictive-only's $c d f$ and the predictive-reactive $c d f$, for the cases with 5 and 10 jobs, and 7 uniformly distributed processing times.

|  | 0.3 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |  | $\begin{aligned} & 0.5 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
|  | 0.5 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & \text { Q50 } \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |  | 0.5 $Q 50$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |  | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  | 0.9 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |  |  | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  |  | 0.6 | 0.5 | 1.5 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 1.0 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 1.0 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 1.3 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.7 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.4 |
|  | 0.95 | q | $\begin{array}{lcccc} \\ 0.1 & 0.3 & \text { Change Threshold } \\ 0.5 & \\ 0.3\end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{gathered} 0.3 \\ Q 50 \end{gathered}$ | Q90 |  |  | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.9 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.8 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 1.7 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 2.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.5 |
| 10 Jobs |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { ก̃ } \\ & \text { है } \\ & \text { స్త } \end{aligned}$ | 0.3 | q | 0.1 Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{gathered} 0.7 \\ Q 50 \end{gathered}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & 0.90 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.3 |  |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
|  |  |  | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.3 | $0.0$ |  |  |  |  | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
|  | 0.5 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & \text { Q50 } \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.5 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  | 0.9 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.5 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.6 |  |  |
|  |  | 0.3 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 1.6 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.4 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 3.8 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 1.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.4 |
|  | 0.95 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.5 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 0.8 | 1.8 | 2.3 | 0.7 | 1.5 | 2.3 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.8 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.6 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 0.4 | 1.2 | 1.8 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 1.8 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.7 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.4 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 0.4 | 1.3 | 1.6 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 1.6 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.6 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 0.4 | 1.3 | 3.4 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 2.6 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 2.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 0.6 | 1.0 | 4.5 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 1.7 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 1.7 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 1.7 |

Table 10: Difference between the 10th, 50th and 90 th quantiles predictive-only's $c d f$ and the predictive-reactive $c d f$, for the cases with 5 and 10 jobs, and 7 triangularly distributed processing times.

| 0.3 |  | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |  | $\begin{aligned} & 0.5 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{gathered} 0.7 \\ Q 50 \end{gathered}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.4 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.4 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 0.5 | 0.4 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.8 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.0 |
|  | 0.5 |  | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Q10 |  | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 |  | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 1.8 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 1.8 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 1.8 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 1.8 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 1.8 | 1.5 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 1.6 |  | 0.0 |  |  |  | 1.6 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 0.0 |
|  | 0.9 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 |  | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{gathered} 0.7 \\ Q 50 \end{gathered}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  |  | 2.3 | 1.6 | 0.1 | 2.3 | 1.7 | 0.1 | 2.4 | 1.8 | 0.1 | 2.3 | 2.0 | 0.1 | 2.1 | 1.4 | 0.2 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 3.3 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 3.6 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 2.6 | 1.2 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 0.4 | 1.7 | 2.1 | 0.4 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 0.3 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 0.3 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 0.3 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 3.3 | 0.9 | 1.9 | 3.3 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 3.1 | 1.4 | 0.5 | 2.7 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 2.7 | 0.5 | 0.5 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 0.2 | 1.0 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 1.5 | 0.0 |
|  | 0.95 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |  |  | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{gathered} 0.7 \\ Q 50 \end{gathered}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 3.3 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 2.8 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 2.8 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 2.5 | 3.0 | 0.0 | 2.6 | 3.0 | 0.0 | 2.6 | 3.0 | 0.0 | 2.9 | 3.0 | 0.0 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 3.4 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 3.4 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 3.4 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 3.4 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 3.4 | 2.7 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 3.3 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 2.5 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 0.0 |
| 10 Jobs |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 0.3 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 0.6 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 0.6 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 0.6 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 0.6 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 2.0 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 0.8 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 0.8 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 0.8 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 0.4 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 0.4 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 0.4 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 1.8 | 0.0 |
|  |  |  | 1.7 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 1.8 | 0.0 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2.2 | 1.8 | 0.0 |
|  | 0.5 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{gathered} 0.3 \\ Q 50 \end{gathered}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{gathered} 0.5 \\ Q 50 \end{gathered}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 2.8 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 2.8 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 2.8 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 2.8 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 2.8 | 2.5 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 4.2 | 3.6 | 0.0 | 4.2 | 3.6 | 0.0 | 4.2 | 3.6 | 0.0 | 4.2 | 3.6 | 0.0 | 4.2 | 3.6 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 4.0 | 3.7 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 3.7 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 3.7 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 3.7 | 0.0 | 4.1 | 3.7 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 4.6 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 4.6 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 4.6 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 4.6 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 4.6 | 3.9 | 0.0 |
|  | 0.9 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{gathered} 0.5 \\ Q 50 \end{gathered}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{gathered} 0.7 \\ Q 50 \end{gathered}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{gathered} 0.9 \\ Q 50 \end{gathered}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 3.8 | 6.1 | 0.5 | 3.8 | 6.2 | 0.5 | 3.8 | 6.1 | 0.5 | 3.9 | 6.3 | 0.5 | 3.6 | 5.8 | 2.1 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 5.4 | 4.6 | 0.4 | 5.7 | 5.3 | 0.4 | 6.1 | 4.9 | 0.1 | 5.3 | 6.0 | 0.3 | 5.0 | 5.2 | 0.3 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 4.0 | 3.7 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 0.0 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 0.0 | 4.1 | 3.4 | 0.0 | 4.1 | 3.6 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 5.9 | 5.0 | 0.3 | 6.0 | 4.9 | 0.3 | 5.4 | 4.1 | 0.3 | 5.1 | 4.1 | 0.5 | 5.2 | 4.1 | 0.5 |
|  |  |  | 6.7 | 5.1 | 0.0 | 6.5 | 4.4 | 0.0 | 5.9 | 4.4 | 0.0 | 5.9 | 4.4 | 0.0 | 6.0 | 4.4 | 0.0 |
|  | 0.95 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{gathered} 0.5 \\ Q 50 \end{gathered}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{gathered} 0.9 \\ Q 50 \end{gathered}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 7.6 | 6.9 | 0.0 | 7.6 | 6.9 | 0.0 | 7.6 | 7.3 | 0.0 | 7.6 | 7.2 | 0.0 | 7.6 | 7.3 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 8.3 | 6.8 | 0.0 | 8.3 | 6.8 | 0.0 | 8.3 | 6.8 | 0.0 | 8.2 | 6.9 | 0.0 | 8.7 | 6.9 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 8.8 | 6.5 | 0.0 | 8.8 | 6.5 | 0.0 | 8.8 | 6.5 | 0.0 | 8.8 | 6.5 | 0.0 | 8.8 | 6.7 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 8.6 | 6.5 | 0.0 | 8.6 | 6.5 | 0.0 | 8.6 | 6.5 | 0.0 | 8.6 | 6.5 | 0.0 | 8.6 | 6.5 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 7.9 | 7.3 | 0.0 | 7.9 | 7.3 | 0.0 | 7.9 | 7.3 | 0.0 | 7.9 | 7.3 | 0.0 | 8.2 | 7.3 | 0.0 |

Table 11: Difference between the 10th, 50th and 90th quantiles predictive-only's $c d f$ and the predictive-reactive cdf, for the cases with 5 and 10 jobs, and 9 uniformly distributed processing times.

|  | 0.3 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |  | $\begin{aligned} & 0.5 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
|  | 0.5 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & \text { Q50 } \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |  | 0.5 $Q 50$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{gathered} 0.7 \\ Q 50 \end{gathered}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |  | 0.0 |  |  |  | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  | 0.9 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |  |  | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  |  | 0.7 | 0.4 | 3.7 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 1.3 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 2.4 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 2.4 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 1.2 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 3.2 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 1.9 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 1.9 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.1 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 2.6 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 1.1 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 1.1 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 1.1 |
|  | 0.95 | q | $\begin{array}{lcccc} \\ 0.1 & 0.3 & \text { Change Threshold } \\ 0.5 & 0.7\end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{gathered} 0.3 \\ Q 50 \end{gathered}$ | Q90 |  |  | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 0.3 | 1.4 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 1.3 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 1.2 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 1.4 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 1.2 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.9 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 1.4 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.4 | 1.2 | 1.7 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 3.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 0.6 | 1.5 | 1.9 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 1.9 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.6 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 0.4 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 1.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.9 |
| 10 Jobs |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { ก̃ } \\ & \text { है } \\ & \text { స్త } \end{aligned}$ | 0.3 | q | 0.1 Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{gathered} 0.7 \\ Q 50 \end{gathered}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & 0.90 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.4 |  |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.0 |
|  |  |  | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.4 | $0.0$ | 0.5 |  |  |  |  | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.0 |
|  | 0.5 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & \text { Q50 } \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.5 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
|  | 0.9 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.5 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 1.1 |  |  | 1.1 |  | 0.1 | 1.1 |  | 0.3 | 1.2 | 1.5 | 0.1 | 1.2 | 1.5 | 0.1 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 2.1 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 1.7 | 0.0 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 1.6 | 1.2 | 3.2 | 1.7 | 1.2 | 0.6 | 1.8 | 1.2 | 0.9 | 1.8 | 1.5 | 0.9 | 1.8 | 1.5 | 0.9 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 2.1 | 1.1 | 1.5 | 2.1 | 1.1 | $7.7$ | 2.2 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 2.2 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 2.2 | 1.4 | 2.0 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 1.6 | $1.3$ | 1.0 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 1.0 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 0.7 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 0.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 0.7 |
|  | 0.95 | q | Change Threshold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.3 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.5 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.7 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 | Q10 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.9 \\ & Q 50 \end{aligned}$ | Q90 |
|  |  | 0.1 | 1.0 | 2.4 | 3.1 | 0.9 | 1.9 | 3.1 | 0.8 | 1.6 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 2.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 5.1 |
|  |  | 0.3 | 0.8 | 2.2 | 2.5 | 0.6 | 1.7 | 2.5 | 0.5 | 1.2 | 2.5 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 3.7 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 3.7 |
|  |  | 0.5 | 0.6 | 2.1 | 2.2 | 0.6 | 1.8 | 2.2 | 0.4 | 1.1 | 2.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 2.8 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 3.7 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 0.6 | 1.8 | 4.7 | 0.4 | 1.4 | 3.6 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 2.8 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 2.8 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 2.8 |
|  |  | 0.9 | 0.8 | 1.4 | 6.2 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 2.4 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 2.4 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 2.4 |

Table 12: Difference between the 10th, 50th and 90 th quantiles predictive-only's $c d f$ and the predictive-reactive $c d f$, for the cases with 5 and 10 jobs, and 9 triangularly distributed processing times.


Table 13: $A Q D$ between the $c d f$ of the optimal solution for the predictive-only ( $P$-only) and the predictive-reactive $(P R)$ approaches, using 5 and 10 jobs, and 5 uniformly distributed processing times.


Table 14: $A Q D$ between the $c d f$ of the optimal solution for the predictive-only ( $P$-only) and the predictive-reactive ( $P R$ ) approaches, using 5 and 10 jobs, and 7 uniformly distributed processing times.


Table 15: $A Q D$ between the $c d f$ of the optimal solution for the predictive-only ( $P$-only) and the predictive-reactive $(P R)$ approaches, using 5 and 10 jobs, and 9 uniformly distributed processing times.


Table 16: $A Q D$ between the $c d f$ of the optimal solution for the predictive-only ( $P$-only) and the predictive-reactive ( $P R$ ) approaches, using 5 and 10 jobs, and 5 triangularly distributed processing times.


Table 17: $A Q D$ between the $c d f$ of the optimal solution for the predictive-only ( $P$-only) and the predictive-reactive $(P R)$ approaches, using 5 and 10 jobs, and 7 triangularly distributed processing times.


Table 18: $A Q D$ between the $c d f$ of the optimal solution for the predictive-only ( $P$-only) and the predictive-reactive ( $P R$ ) approaches, using 5 and 10 jobs, and 9 triangularly distributed processing times.

