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Abstract

This thesis evaluates a method for extracting architectural dependencies and performance measures from an evolving distributed software system. The research goal was to establish methods of determining potential scalability issues in a distributed software system as it is being iteratively developed. The research evaluated the use of industry available distributed tracing methods to extract performance measures and queuing network model parameters for common user operations. In addition, performance measure extraction was tested across several historical releases of a real-world distributed software system. The changes in performance measures across releases correspond to several scalability issues identified in the production software system.