A Survey on Resource Allocation Techniques in Cloud Computing

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Abstract:

Cloud is an important and emerging technology utilized by various fields for storing, processing and retrieving of data anywhere and anytime without any interruption. Cloud is now acting as a platform for many companies for storing and other computational purposes to reduce infrastructure and maintenance cost similarly they can utilize their application widely based on pay per use. To make available of data to all cloud users Resource Allocation (RA) is mandatory process. In cloud hardware, software and platform are the resources utilized to satisfy user needs hence sharing these resources according to users need is a difficult task. Cloud service provider and cloud service consumer plays the major role in RA. The parameters under resource allocation, its issues and challenges are needed to be analyzed deeply before implementing any optimizing approach in RA. Hence in this work various resource allocation methods have been studied and issues in it is analyzed and presented as a survey. This work is useful for both cloud users and researchers in overcoming the challenges faced in RA.

Keywords: Resource allocation techniques, cloud computing, issues and solution.

I. INTRODUCTION

The next phase of computation is cloud computing. The cloud may eventually provide everyone with everything they require. The rise of on-demand information technology services and products has led naturally to cloud computing. A new computing technology called cloud computing is quickly solidifying as the next major step in the creation and implementation of an expanding number of distributed applications. By providing a range of resources, cloud computing has grown fairly popular in recent years among a community of cloud users. Developers can distribute programmes among machines hosted by a central organisation using cloud computing platforms from companies like Microsoft, Amazon, Google, IBM, and Hewlett-Packard. These programmes have access to a huge network of computer resources that a cloud computing provider has established and is in charge of. Developers may benefit from a managed computing platform without spending money on designing, constructing, and maintaining the network [1].

1.1 Types of cloud computing

Cloud services may be set up in one of three different ways: on a public cloud, a private cloud, or a hybrid cloud. Each has benefits and drawbacks, and your decision will be influenced by your data as well as the amount of protection and administration you require:

Public Cloud: Companies that offer computing resources like servers and storage over the Internet include Google Cloud Platform (GCP), Amazon Web Services (AWS), and Microsoft Azure, to name a few.

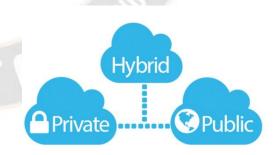


Figure 1: Types of cloud computing

Each piece of infrastructure (hardware, software, etc.) used by the cloud provider is owned and managed by it. Using a web browser, one may access these services and control their own account. Private Cloud: With private clouds, a single entity controls, owns, and manages all computer resources. In a private cloud, the infrastructure and services are maintained on a secure network.

Public and private clouds are combined to create a hybrid cloud. Your company has additional flexibility and deployment options thanks to a hybrid cloud, which also helps to improve your current infrastructure's security and compliance.

1.2 Resource allocation:

The procedures used by the resource allocation strategies allow resources to be used productively in order to meet customer needs. When developing resource allocation techniques, there are some crucial factors that should be taken into account from the perspectives of both cloud service providers (cost, resource utilisation, energy, workload, SLA, QoS) and cloud service consumers (execution time, response time, user satisfaction, SLA, QoS) [2].

- Resource optimization (efficient use of resources),
- satisfying customer requests (allocating resources based on user request),
- scheduling tasks (task optimization), and
- power management are some categories for resource allocation strategies (better resource allocation with less power consumption)

The four categories described above are the key factors in resource allocation. The next portion of this article discusses solutions to the problems with resource allocation based on these criteria.

II. ISSUES AND CHALLENGES

In this section the issues and challenges faced during resource allocation in cloud computing from the past five years and solution for it has been analyzed and presented it as a survey for future research.

Year 2016:

When users need a service from the cloud, they send requests. When a request is received in the cloud, a user is given the appropriate resource and service. The virtualization idea is typically utilised to lighten the burden on cloud servers. The load balancing technique-based allocation strategy must be effective enough to ensure maximum resource usage and throughput [3]. Then, while distributing resources to them, the user-inserted parameters will be taken into account. Since the demand for each of these resources might vary from user to user, they are distributed in a flexible manner. The data centre broker maintains resource matrices that contain details about VMs with various parameters [4]. Cloud brokers maintain data on different service providers and the services they provide, and they deliver the best services based on their understanding of cloud architecture and applications. An technique based on cloud brokers for cloud analysts that chooses service providers based on quality of services while taking into account minimal response time and cost [5].

Year 2017:

Devices and applications running on IoT cloud platforms may securely connect and communicate with other devices as well as cloud applications. IoT broker services provide safe connections to the devices and applications in a typical IoT cloud. The broker service SLA provided takes simply into account the number of messages sent over a period of time and is not reliant on application traffic patterns [6]. The technology of virtual machines has been used for resource provisioning. As a result, VM are assigned to the user according on the requirements of the position. The execution of the high priority tasks shouldn't be delayed by the low priority tasks. In this situation, low and high priority jobs compete for resources to access the resources [7]. A cost-based resource allocation strategy that gives priority to tasks depending on the price the user has paid the service provider for the resource being utilized. This strategy will reduce execution time and overall completion time, as well as boost provider profit and user happiness. In this method, the virtual machine is moved from one real host (physical machine) to another in order to prevent the host from becoming overloaded or under loaded [8].

Year 2018:

This approach reconstructs the sequence of resource requests according to users' priorities and levels of emergency in order to distribute resources sooner for urgent needs. Additionally, a mathematical model of resource allocation with multiple objectives is developed with the objectives of minimizing the performance gap between virtual machines and physical machines (PMs), as well as the quantity of PMs that must be substituted by virtual machines [9]. Fog computing is the most practical way to address the issues with the deployment of distributed neural networks on cloud and edge devices. When requests come in, this fog layer determines whether it can handle them on its own or with assistance from other fog nodes. Because of the decreased traffic between the cloud and the user, queue waits are eliminated [10]. The decision-making process used to decide where to assign resources in a fog-cloud system in order to carry out an application's responsibilities is crucial. Resource allocation in infrastructure made up of cooperative fogs and clouds using Gaussian Process Regression for Fog-Cloud Allocation (GPRFCA). In order to prevent blocking of requests,

particularly delay-sensitive ones, it uses a Gaussian Process Regression to forecast upcoming needs [11].

Year 2019:

On-demand plans are more expensive but are accessible for short or long periods of time, whereas reserved plans offer cheaper resources for long-term commitments. The two-phase approach meets quality of service requirements while presenting each phase as an optimization issue to reduce the overall deployment cost [12]. There is a chance that cloud resources won't be used effectively and might experience both excess and underuse. It was suggested to use an autonomous resource allocation method that would automatically supply (and de-provision) the necessary computer resources in accordance with the load [13]. Prior until now, task requirements were used to determine how to assign resources from the multi-cloud environment. Before assigning to the desired activities, it is crucial to examine the current resource availability status and resource capabilities. Allocating resources while taking into account their status, location, bandwidth, and job needs is done using the bat optimization method and the particle swarm optimization algorithm [14].

Year 2020:

Since resources are paid for as they are utilized, it might be difficult for cloud providers to guarantee a higher standard of service. When heterogeneous resources are managed dynamically, a major issue known as QOS occurs. Multi-Objective Symbiotic Organism Search Algorithm (MOSOS), a novel technique, enabling job assignment to virtual machines while limiting the make span and cost [15]. However, while distributing resources to the cloud infrastructures, Cloud Service Providers (CSPs) should take the majority of the quality factors into account to provide better customer service. Through a few features and indicators, the trust of a CSP is statistically measured [16]. Setting up the execution environment, communication overhead, and queuing up result in a large amount of latency, which dramatically lowers the QoS and usability of such systems. To define and study the Cloudlet's hybrid migration-based and partition-based offloading behaviors, a queue-based offloading framework is created [17].

Year 2021:

Resource allocation in the cloud that is based on bargaining or negotiation results in efficient resource consumption and rapid completion of multiple jobs. These discussions are held between CSU and CSP for a certain set of services and over a defined amount of time. It is evident from this that low priority assignments could not be handled by negotiation [18]. A trial-and-catch resource allocation system based on genetic algorithms is suggested. Virtual machines are used to anticipate workload, and resource allocation is carried out as a result [19]. Although automating cloud resource management processes has always been a desirable objective, it has also proven to be difficult. Self-configurable resource allocation only delivers a tolerable degree of availability and dependability, not a high level of performance [20].

Title	Used	Utilized resource	Implementation	Performance
	methodology		5	1
Design and	Virtualization	The term "virtualization"	(i) User request from various	These algorithms
Analysis of	concept based	describes the division of	forms are collected and	result in greater
Resource	load balancing.	a physical system's	distributed to multiple	efficiency,
Allocation		resources (system	resources.	maximum
Techniques in		storage, network, and	(ii) in case of any resource	resource
Cloud		memory) into numerous	failure this load balancer will	utilization and
Partitions		virtual resources.	reroute the request to available	Minimum
			resource.	response time.
			(iii) load balancer act as single	
			server with high computation	
			capacity.	
Optimum	An optimal	Different types of	(i)During cloudlet submission	This algorithm
Resource	resource	resources (virtual	user are requested to submit	takes O (m*n)
Allocation	allocation	machine) are	the needed resource.	time and O (n2)
Approach in	approach	allocated by taking three	(ii) The utilization of VMs	space complexity
Cloud	(ORAA)	parameters into	depends	to process all the
		consideration:	upon the type of cloudlets	cloudlets on
		processing element, main	received and the jobs of a	virtual cloud

2.1 TABLE OF VARIOUS PAPER ANALYSIS

Optimal Resource Allocation Approach in Cloud Computing Environment	Priority based round robin policy	memory, and network band width. (Infrastructure as a Service) IaaS service providers on basis of on demand and pay as per usage.	user can vary in size. (iii) The space-shared policy enables a virtual machine to support only one task at a time. (i) Processing speed, less VM cost, data transfer and storage cost of different data centers are calculated. (ii) Based on these parameter data center will be ranked. (iii) With respect to user request cloud broker will allocate resource with less	thereby making it an Uncomplicated approach. Availability of data to user request from different region achieves user satisfaction.
Resource Allocation for IoT Applications in Cloud Environments	The broker service SLA provided only takes into account the volume of messages sent over a given period of time and is not dependent on application	A resource allocation mechanism (that uses buffering, scheduling and rate limiting) to meet the SLA	energy consumption and high performance. (i) During SLA a set of instruction are followed to allocate the resource. (ii) in case if arrival of user request is high then enforcement time is extended in this method.	Even in case of excess traffic our solution achieves conformance within a fixed additional enforcement time period
Cloud Computing Through Dynamic Resource Allocation Scheme	traffic patterns. The priority- based preemption policy	Priority based VM allocation. Job deadline is major factor focused in allocation VM.	 (i)based on the deadline of the job and priority the VM is allocated. (ii)if VM is free and job enters for processing it will automatically allocated. (iii) if low priority job(LPJ) is running (deadline is high) and new job enters with high priority(HPJ) (deadline is low) then LPJ will be preempted to run HPJ. 	Comparing this method to the creation of new VMs, the overhead for completing all the jobs is lower.
Cost based resource allocation strategy For the cloud computing environment	cost based resource allocation strategy	Allocation of VM based on cost	 (i)the resource allocation is carried out based on time and size of the resource utilized by user. (ii)the most important parameter considered here is cost. The amount paid by user for resource is considered and based on that task is migrated to complete. 	Cloud is working in the concept of pay-per use depending on user cost resource were allocated and task were scheduled.

A Cloud Resource Allocation Method Supporting Sudden and Urgent Demands	A multiple- objective optimization algorithm	Allocate various resources timely and optimally for urgent resource demands	 (i)based on user requested resources, or based on cost, job priority task will be allocated or handles. (ii)in case of emergency demand arrives in a queue then priority should be modified and resources are allocated according to that. 	The results demonstrate that our method has a certain advantage in reducing resource usage and fragments and improving CPU utilization.
Machine Learning Approaches for Resource Allocation in the Cloud: Critical Reflections	Distributed neural network (DNN)	RAS attempts to automate this labor- intensive process automatic, i.e., integrating cloud activities to utilize and allocate resources.	 (i) When requests come in, this fog layer determines whether it can handle them on its own or with assistance from other fog nodes. (ii) to reduce traffic and to avoid queue delays DNN will analyze the user request. (iii) The fog layer can, however, send the request back to the cloud for normal processing if it is too large. 	Process user request quickly and avoids traffic.
Resource Allocation Mechanism for a Fog- Cloud Infrastructure	Gaussian Process Regression for Fog-Cloud Allocation (GPRFCA)	CPU and RAM memory are considered allocable resources by the mechanism.	(i) based on past arrivals, forecast the arrival of upcoming requests. To lessen blockage and increase overall utilization, such prediction aids in the supply of resources to upcoming requests, particularly real-time ones that can only be handled in the fog.	Predict the arrival of user incoming request.
Dynamic Cloud Resource Allocation Considering Demand Uncertainty	A stochastic optimization approach	A hybrid method to allocate cloud resources according to the dynamic user demands	 (i) a two-phase algorithm that consists of reservation and dynamic provision phases. (ii) a stochastic optimization approach by modeling user demands as random variables. 	Instead of static and dynamic resource allocation based on user demand resource is allocated and achieves better result.
Autonomic Resource Allocation Mechanism for Service- based Cloud Applications	an autonomous resource allocation mechanism	The virtual resource utilization and response time	 (i)To avoid over and under provisioning this paper proposed autonomous resource allocation mechanism. (ii)it allocate and de allocate the resources as per load. (iii) Response time and resource utilization has improved. 	Compared to existing methods virtual resource utilization and response time was improved.
A Hybrid	bat optimization	Consider the task	(i) Before allocating to the	The performance

Resource Allocation Modelfor Multi-Cloud Environment Using Batand Particle Swarm Optimization Algorithms	particle swarm optimization algorithm	distance, and resource status when allocating the resource.	analyze the current resource availability status and resource capability. (ii) multi cloud based resource allocation reduces deadline missed tasks.	model was evaluated in terms of resource requirements, energy consumption, SLA violations, and allocation time and this proposed system achieves better result.
Dynamic resource allocation method based on Symbiotic Organism Search algorithm in cloud computing	Multi- Objectives Symbiotic Organism Search algorithm (MOSOS)	The VMs consist of two types of resource RAM and CPU	 (i) To determine the availability of the cloud system; it is required to be aware of the resource's availability during each round of resource allocation. (ii) For each round, the task set is formed according to the arrival time of tasks and resource availability. (iii) Thus, SOS simulates the symbiotic interactions within a paired organism relationships that are used to search for the fittest organism 	Results show that MOSOS gives a better result and more stability compared to FCFS, PSO, MOGA, and PBACO algorithms.
A Resource Allocation Model Based on Trust Evaluation in Multi-Cloud Environments	Joint optimization model combines the previous credentials of the CSPs and the present resource constraints	optimizing cost and resource utilization or maximizing any quality parameters.	 (i)Few metric parameters are considered to evaluate trust of resource allocation. (ii) availability is calculated based on rate of total request and accepted request respectively. (iii)Reliability is calculated based on rate of hardware and software failures. (iv) efficiency is calculated based on average execution 	The proposed evaluation model will attract more users as it estimates the trust of the cloud more accurately. This type of evaluation model will be of high importance to both service providers and customers.
Novel Sustainable and Heterogeneou s Offloading Management Techniques in Proactive Cloudlets	SARIMA-based load prediction model is designed	offloading energy and execution efficiency	and waiting time. (i) A queue-based Off-loading framework is developed to formulate and analyze the mixed migration- based and partition-based offloading behaviors in the Cloudlet. (ii) It can coordinate with Cloud resources and perform partition-based	Cloudlet-based mixed offloading process is implemented. Achieves better performance in energy efficiency and execution.

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			offloading	
			and migration-based	
			offloading dynamically and	
			simultaneously,	
			according to the task load and	
			QoS.	
Negotiation	Negotiation	Resource negotiation	(i)bargaining or negotiation in	Large amount of
based	based resource	between CSP and CSU.	cloud resource for completing	user request are
resource	allocation		user request will achieve	processed without
allocation in			efficient use of resource	delay. Efficient
cloud			utilization.	user of resource.
computing			(ii)an optimal analysis should	
scenarios		DI LAVIN A ALIO	be needed to identify entering	
		ALL DUCCE	task completion process for	
		Mr.	bargaining resources in CSP.	
Resource	Genetic	Load balancing and	(i)an prediction is done using	Trial and catch
Allocation	algorithm	reduces cloud processing	virtual machine and workload	process reduces
based on	100 M	time	analysis is done.	unwanted delay.
Genetic	S 14		(ii) based on the analysis	Achieves
Algorithm for	5 1		optimal solution for resource	efficient resource
Cloud			allocation is implemented.	utilization and
Computing				reduces cloud
				processing time.
A Self-	A self	Resource allocation	(i)errors and failures in cloud	Does not achieve
Configurable	configurable	based on request in self	will leads to lose of trust	better results it
Model for	resource	configurable manner.	among cloud users.	achieves only
Cloud	allocation		(ii) self resource allocation	acceptable level
Resource			method has been implemented	of availability
Allocation			which needs more efficiency	and reliability.
			to achieve better results.	

III. DISCUSSION:

Resource allocation in cloud computing is an important and mandatory process now days for efficient computation and processing. As we discussed in above session around 6 years of resource allocation papers were taken and analyzed the issues in those papers and the way how their proposed method achieves better solution for the identified issues. The major focus is resource allocation and various methods were implemented to achieve better results. From this study the analyzed view of resource allocation is,

Resources of cloud should be utilized maximum but the processing or response time should minimum. The resources are allocated based on incoming user request, priority of job arrived, user demand based resource allocation. These are major area focused in resource allocation and method implemented for this process is as follows.

- (a) For incoming request particular time period is calculated and allocated for particular resource in addition to this enforcement time should calculated and added to that particular task to avoid traffic and issues in response time (delay).
- (b) Various tasks will be received with different deadline (Low priority job and high priority job). While processing LPJ and if a HPJ is entering then running process is preempted to run HPJ.
- (c) Similarly a queue is fully arranged and running in a process and in case of emergency a job is arrived then current running queue should modified based on emergency.
- (d) General way of resource allocation is based on user request or demand, resource should allocate. Here, before allocating the resource the availability and capability of resource should be calculated and based on that resources must allocated to avoid unnecessary delay in response.

- (e) Another resource is cost, as per user paid cost the resource should be processed quickly without any priority, deadline or emergency.
- (f) If allocated resource is utilized efficiently then it achieves better performance in case it is not utilized efficiently then it must be de allocated as per load.
- (g) Bargaining is another method implemented in cloud resource allocation, if incoming request in HPJ and it does not have sufficient resource then negotiation is deployed in case of any resource are idle that will allocate for new requested one.
- (h) Fog layer based cloud resource allocation also implemented here user requested are collected and resources are allocated according to that. In addition based on user interest and request, prediction of user request also deployed.
- (i) Like a trial and catch method workload is analyzed based on virtual machine (VM), and then resources are allocated according to incoming request.
- (j) Availability, reliability and efficiency are calculated based on certain parameters and completed tasks. Based on these a trust will be created and utilized for resource allocation for completion of new request.
- (k) However n number of methods is implemented for resource allocation a paper suggest self allocation of resource but it does not achieve better performance. Instead it achieves only accepted level of availability and reliability.

IV. CONCLUSION:

This survey has covered around last 6 years papers of resource allocation methods, issues and solution. It is clear that resource allocation process is available before from past decade itself but still the modification and performance improvement is needed that's the reason for research work process in cloud resource allocation. Task based, priority based, user request based n number of research works were implemented. Self resource allocation also deployed that does not achieve better solution. The analysis shows that resource allocation needs an efficient method to achieve better performance in the parameters of performance, user satisfaction, and resource utilization. Current technology utilizes Artificial Intelligence (AI) in many fields and achieves better solution similarly AI implementation in resource allocation achieves better performance in terms of above parameter.

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