An Analysis of Energy based Job Scheduling Algorithms in Green Computing Environment

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Abstract: Cloud computing is the hottest topic in today’s world and is being used by most of the IT companies due to its benefits in cost saving and ease of use. It is a dynamic, scalable, pay-per-use distributed computing model. The cloud computing aims to give access to remote and geographically distributed resources. Scheduling the job from one data center to other data center, or from one region of cloud to other region is truly a testing in cloud environment. But when data is shifted from one data center to other data center, huge amount of Carbon dioxide (CO₂) gases emits and also consumes more power. Since energy is an important issue, that is why green cloud computing is comes into the picture. Green cloud computing can be obtained by applying various techniques and algorithms, which use less power and emits less CO₂ gases that are damaging the environment. Cloud provides many facilities to its tenants such as sharing of resources for different purposes. In cloud domain, job scheduling is one of the biggest and hypothetical problem. Numerous investigations for scheduling a Job and efforts carried out in this regard, because it is one of the main jobs to get the most profit. Scheduling can decrease the power consumption. So many algorithms had been proposed for this purpose and a lot more had to be done. In this paper, intends to present a variety of energy-efficient job scheduling algorithms along with performance comparison analysis of various preexisting algorithms for scheduling jobs to provide energy efficiency in green cloud computing.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Cloud Computing
Cloud computing is an internet-based computing, the datacenters are practiced by using a network of remote servers that are hosted on the internet where storing, managing computer or any local server. Its provides users to share data and resources to any computers or devices on demand. Cloud computing provides three different approaches to cloud services layer that are:

- The infrastructure is known as the IaaS service (IaaS).
- The platform is known as the PaaS service(PaaS).
- Software is known as SaaS services(SaaS).

These three services layers help in business organizations and government organizations which cut down the operational expenses.

IaaS provides services where user has control over operating systems. IaaS provides services like Amazon Web services, IBM Bluemix, Microsoft Azure. It gives only the equipment and system; the client introduces or creates its own particular working frameworks, programming and applications.

PaaS provides platform for developing applications by the help of cloud, there is no need to install any platform if the user is using it on its own machine. PaaS service like Windowsazure, Google App Engine etc. It provides the working environment along with equipment, and system are given, the client introduces or builds up their own applications by using a particular programming languages.

SaaS for running existing applications like Instagram, Facebook, Google Apps, where users do not handle the installation of any software on their personal computers. It is an exceedingly software package as a Service model, a pre-made application, aboard any needed programming; operating framework, equipment, and system are given.

Green Cloud Computing
Cloud contains thousands of data centers to fulfil the demands of customers online, on time and because of that data centers are span in an area of hundred thousand feet. Very huge amount of power is required to run these servers. So, Green cloud computing [10] is not only picturized to achieve the efficient processing and utilized the computing infrastructure but it is also for minimizing the energy consumption that are effecting the environment in a larger amount. Green cloud computing is extremely important for ensuring that the coming year of cloud computing must be sustainable and eco-friendly. Green cloud works on large scale companies like Google, Amazon IBM cloud because its enables user to get services anywhere. Green cloud...
computing is the on-demand service because its shares big resource pool that user can buy on request or requirement. In the paper [11] proposed by Bharti Wadhwa and Amandeep Verma have reviewed about the various researchers and their strategies to make cloud computing more energy efficient, to reduce the carbon emission from the environment and found virtualization can help inutilization of resources in clouds.

**Scheduling**

Clients among themselves share resources and distributes and schedules their jobs within the cloud, it has become a challenge to schedule these jobs. Hence, job scheduling is a hottest topic in cloud computing. The scheduling algorithms belonging to distributed systems mainly aim to partition the load and assign sub loads to processors to attain their most utilization whereas minimizing the entire load execution time. During this, the jobs need to be moved or scheduled from one data center to other, which will emit a lot of carbon dioxide (CO\textsubscript{2}) and also consumes more power. So, it is needed to provide a flexible and reliable systems to avail green cloud computing.

Scheduling can be done at either cloud level or user level. Cloud level job scheduling is ordered at client side and framework level. At client, it manages issues raised by administrator related to procurement between suppliers and clients. The framework level, it handles asset administration inside datacenter. Datacenter is the one which is a collection of more number of physical machines.

Scheduling is one of the crucial and important activities needed to be performed in a cloud computing environment. Scheduling improves the efficiency of cloud workloads. This is the job of maximizing profits, throughput and make-span. Scheduling algorithms in cloud computing is to utilize the resources meanwhile balancing the load between these resources so that the resources execute in a minimal execution time [14]. There are many scheduling algorithms in cloud computing. Scheduling algorithms done to obtain high performance, utilize the resources, managing the load between the resources. Examples of scheduling algorithms are (FCFS) First Come First Serve, Round Robin Algorithm, Shortest Job First (SJF), Min-Min algorithm, Max-Max Algorithm and so on. Green scheduling algorithms [10] that based neural predictors can save up to 70% of power savings. These algorithms enable us to cut down the data center energy costs and lead us to strong competitive cloud computing environment.

In a single data center, thousands of servers will be running, and user demands for the requests to be executed consecutively or concurrently. During this, if server is busy then one has to notice for an alternative server, which is ready and can fulfill the batch of incoming jobs. This is why job/task scheduling is an important issue, which greatly affects the performance of cloud services. Job scheduling can also be categorized based on load balancing, temperature based and energy efficiency.

**Scheduling Classifications**

1. **Preemptive and Non-Preemptive scheduling**
   a) The scheduling algorithms which falls in the above discussed categories, permits interruption of job in the middle of execution and resources allocated is taken off from the current job and will be allocated to other job just arrived which has the highest priority than the current one. So, we call them as preemptive.
   b) If suppose the resources are not taken off from the current job which is running until the execution completes, then we call them as Non-preemptive.

2. **Dynamic and Static scheduling algorithm**
   a) Dynamic: System will not have any information about the arrival of job, time required to execute and resources to be allocated are not known well in advance. Now System has to take care about all these things and respond as per demand.
   b) Static: In this, It involves less runtime overhead as it involves prior fetching of the required data and pipelining of different task execution stages. i.e Well in advance, it knows about the arrival time of jobs, allocation of resources like CPU, Memory usage and Time required for execution.

3. **Immediate and Batch Scheduling**
   a) Batch Scheduling: controlling unattended background program execution of jobs and execution of non-interactive jobs is called as batch processing, sometimes called as workload automation. Queue is a data structure used to implement Batch. In this all similar jobs are grouped together and submitted as a batch for processing, which in turn system will consider and starts executing one after the other automatically, so called workload automation.
   b) Immediate: Here, jobs are scheduled as soon as they arrive, and no need to wait for any resources like CPU, Memory and so on.

4. **Decentralized and Centralized Scheduling**
   a) Decentralized: It is well-suited for those organizations, whose business applications are running on cloud and provisioning the required resources from cloud. As the name suggest, it is Decentralized, so there is no centralized system, where it manages and maintains the status of jobs which are queued locally and never suffers from bottleneck problems.
Centralized: Here, we will be having a System which is located centrally, and will be monitored, controlled, maintain the status of each job which is queued locally. All the decisions are made globally and will be centralized. It has many benefits as easy to implement; more efficient and provides better control over resources. But very much lacks in scalability, fault tolerance and efficient performance, due to the centralization.

**Energy Efficient**

The goal of energy efficiency is to reduce the energy consumption of the organization in order to achieve or provide users with good products and services. Reducing energy reduces the cost and it can be seen as to reduce the greenhouse gases. As today’s world users are more on cloud computing where number of tasks are executed at a time, power of consumption is reduced and CO₂ emission is increasing in an alarming rate so energy efficient scheduling algorithm is required in cloud computing. The remainder of the paper contains the following - section II gives the motivation of the research, section III contains the objective, section IV contains the literature survey and section V presents the conclusion.

**Motivation**

Cloud computing is an important model in the field of Information Technology (IT), in which huge number of tasks are performed and requirement of resources on demand are more because of that servers becomes busier. In datacenter, where all server’s physical resources are available, machines are consuming more power and heat which is effecting the environmental conditions. This issue to companies give more focus to the higher availability than on energy efficiency. The main purpose of Green cloud computing is to reduce the energy that are consumed by the data centers. Technique used for reducing the power consumption and make algorithm energy efficient is job scheduling. Many works have been done in the field of job scheduling for increasing the throughput, performance but a lot more have to be done on energy efficiency.

**Objective**

In today’s world user are more interested in cloud computing because its saving their cost and time. As its usage increasing, started effecting the environment by emitting the heat and CO₂. The main purpose of this paper is to review, all the available job scheduling algorithms that are made for energy efficiency and in what way these algorithms have an impact in producing the less CO₂ which emits emissions from the environment. In order to reduce the CO₂ in CC during scheduling of job, we made extensive analysis of difference algorithms and we found that appropriate algorithm may be chosen based on the requirements of job scheduling to achieve green cloud computing.

**II. LITERATURE SURVEY**

In this section, we discuss about the various job scheduling algorithm along with analysis by considering some important parameters like load balancing and soon. It is intended to present a variety of energy-efficient jobs scheduling algorithms along with performance comparison analysis of various preexisting algorithms for scheduling jobs to provide energy efficiency in green cloud computing. Scheduling in cloud is generally comprised of three stages: Resource discovery and filtering-resources in network and their related status information is collected. Resource selection target resource is chosen based on various parameters. Job submission-job is submitted to the chosen resource.

Various advancements have been made towards different calculations for designating, scheduling and scaling the assets productively in the cloud. The Target of scheduling is execution upgrade and enhancing the nature of administration alongside keeping up the productivity and decency among the employees and decrease the execution cost.

The following job scheduling algorithms are currently exist in the cloud and summarize these algorithms.

1) **A Job Scheduling Algorithm Based on Preemption priority.**

In the paper [1] author has proposed an energy efficient job scheduling algorithm that focuses on the preemptive part as well as it calculates the energy consumption for scheduling the jobs on the cloud computing servers. The main aim of the author is to minimize the less carbon dioxide (CO₂) gases and maximize the resources but according to the suitability of servers. In the paper the computing server is selected on the basis of that satisfies the minimum resource requirement on a job. Resources are allocated by the method of best allocation scheme that saves energy and by creating a balance between the power consumption and work load on the servers.

2) **Energy efficient scheduling and traffic load balancing.**

In the paper [2] the author has proposed scheduling algorithm for optimizing the power consumption of data center equipment that provides load efficient allocation of network traffic QoS to improve operations in cloud applications by delaying congestion related packet loss. The author has used Green Cloudsimulator for the experimental results on algorithms. The proposed algorithm shows that the energy consumption of ordinary paper management in the data center does not increase.
3) Priority Based job scheduling algorithm

In the paper [4] the author has proposed an algorithm that is twofold mechanism. The first phase calculates the priority of the job that is given according to the specialized attributes in the job and then it is sorted by the calculated priority. Second phase computes the time that each task will require executing. The paper presents an algorithm that schedules the job in an order that apart from calculating the priority of tasks it will calculate the expected executable time of different task on different servers. The author uses Cloud-Sim simulator for the experimental results. And the priority is calculated under different attributes such as user level, expected priority, waiting time and based on the formula each attributes of priority can be achieved. They use the concept of standardization that will merge the given attributes into a single attribute. The algorithm achieved a scheduling that is based on priority parameter. The algorithm provides a decent level of load balancing and cost minimization.

4) Shortest job first scheduling

In the paper [5] the author’s approach is to propose the job scheduling algorithm to minimize the energy in a cloud computing which is totally based on enhancing the green scheduler which performs the work load consolidation on a minimum server in green cloud computing by the help of executing task which has minimum arrival time. This paper presents a data center scheduling approach that helps in reducing the power consuming and achieves balance between the two factors energy efficient and performance. The author has used green cloud simulator for the experimental results for simulation work they use DNS scheme for minimizing energy consumption. The applied algorithm reduces the energy in server upto 33.99%, in switch energy 49.65% and in data center 38.04%. It reduces energy consumption in all the components of cloud computing.

5) Greedy scheduling of tasks with time constraints

In the paper [6] the author aim was to find the optimal task scheduling scheme to minimize the task response time and energy consumed by the data center server. The authors use the most efficient server first scheme where the server with the highest computing capacity will provide lower energy expenditure per processed job then the optimization problem can be interpreted as an greedy assignment scheme. It is believed that the central scheduler classifies the servers based on their energy efficiency, and it assigns tasks to the most energy efficient servers first. The author uses MATLAB simulation. The proposed scheme saves energy of long task response time within the maximum constraint and server-related energy consumption. It saves more than 70 times the average data center.

6) Energy-saving Green Scheduling Algorithm in Green Cloud Computing

In the paper [7] the authors propose a green scheduling algorithm; the workload will focus on the server, and then turn it off. They use neural network-based predictors to save energy in cloud computing. Predictors can predict future load requirements based on historical requirements. The green scheduling algorithm determines which server should be turned on/off. It will turn on when the workload is heavy and off when the workload is small. In these paper author uses CloudSim and GridSim toolkit for experimental results. They performed the simulation using four different running modes on two traces that were NASA and the Clarknet load traces. The running modes are normal mode, optimal green mode, prediction green mode, prediction plus additional servers. From the results, they found that prediction plus 20% additional servers was the best configuration to ensure service levels. Its provides a 46.3% reduction in power with a drop rate of 0.03% at Clarknet and a 46.7% reduction in power and a drop rate of 0.12% at NASA.

7) Workflow job scheduling in Green Cloud computing

In the paper [8] the author has proposed an efficient scheduling algorithm for scientific workflow that is Multi-step heuristics workflow scheduling algorithm named EARES-D Energy Aware Resource EfficientWorkflow Scheduling in the deadline constraints. It addresses various objectives that include guaranteed QoS, reduce energy and CO2 emissions for Energysaving and environmentally friendly data center. They proposed the algorithm which is designed to meet response time requirements and minimize virtual machine to reduce power consumption. The author has used Java based Cloud-Sim toolkit for Cloud computing infrastructure and evaluated the scheduling algorithms. The simulation results of their proposed algorithm show the energy consumption from e-ECT to DVFS is reduced by 11%, the energy consumption from FWS to BWS is reduced by 12%, and an average of 30% energy savings and resource utilization can be achieved.

8) Energy-aware real-time and non-real-timescheduling

In the paper [12] the author has put forward one Algorithm deals with real-time and non-real-time task. They used three processors the first two Processor used real-time tasks using earliest deadline first (EDF) and earliest deadline late (EDL) scheduling algorithm and also real-time tasks its uses a Stand by Sparing Technique and for Non - real - time tasks are scheduled using FCFS First Come First Serve scheduling algorithm. For simulation authors used MATLAB. The algorithm that they have proposed for both tasks had conserved energy upto 58% when compared to any power management and upto 4% energy when compared to existing system.
9) Efficient energy the hybrid and DVFS-enabled cloud computing workflow tasks.

In the paper [13] the author has proposed a DVFS enables energy efficient workflow task scheduling in which the Energy-aware methods distribute parallel applications to the optimal processor and process them to reduce the energy consumption on an appropriate time slots and meet the performance required to perform the workflow within a deadline. The evaluation is done between the DEWTS has two heuristics algorithms, HEFT and EES. They merge processors that must to find out the processor which are relatively inefficient and assign the tasks to the appropriate time slot and expand its execution time. The experiment was carried out by the use of Cloud-Sim simulator. The experimental results show that the EES saves up to 44% of energy when CCR is 0.5 and 37% less energy when CCR is 2 and when the CCR to 2 DEWTS, the energy-saving up to 46%.

III. CONCLUSION

In this paper, we reviewed and investigated a variety of existing energy efficient job scheduling algorithms in green cloud computing. There are many parameters that can be mentioned as a factor of scheduling problem that can be considered - such as load balancing, throughput, service cost and so forth. Some of the results shown that these algorithms have proved to be energy efficient like in the workflow job scheduling algorithm have saved up to 30% of energy. Real-time and non-real-time tasks in energy-aware scheduling algorithms save up to 58% of energy. In most of the algorithm authors have used tools kit for finding the experimental results they were Cloud-Sim and MATLAB toolkits. In Shortest Job First Scheduling and in e-STAB the experimental was carried out by the use of Green cloud simulator.

Scope for Future Work

The analysis made by us on energy based job scheduling algorithms for green cloud computing will help for the many researchers to understand the various parameters need to be considered to produce more accurate and improved algorithms and a lot more work had to be done in future to provide efficient scheduling algorithms which will be considering eco-friendly green cloud computing.

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