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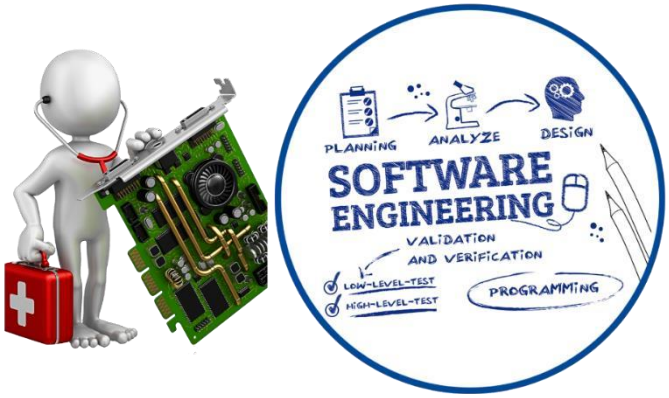

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I take pride in being part of the journey that shapes and nurtures students. In the Computer Department, we aim to develop every facet of a student's personality. I would like to take this opportunity to extend my heartfelt gratitude to all the faculty members and auxiliary staff for their dedicated contributions to making this edition a success.

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OPTIMIZING RESOURCE ALLOCATION IN CLOUD COMPUTING ENVIRONMENTS

Introduction

Abstract

The dynamic nature of cloud computing environments makes efficient resource allocation a critical challenge for organizations aiming to balance performance and cost-effectiveness. Strategies such as autoscaling, load balancing, and predictive scaling play a pivotal role in optimizing these resources. By leveraging machine learning models, organizations can predict usage patterns, enabling proactive scaling decisions. This approach ensures resources are utilized efficiently, reducing costs without compromising performance. Major cloud providers like AWS, Microsoft Azure, and Google Cloud have adopted advanced techniques to manage resources, demonstrating their effectiveness through innovative tools and technologies. This study highlights actionable insights for organizations to enhance operational efficiency while maximizing their return on investment in cloud services.

Introduction

Cloud computing has revolutionized IT infrastructure by providing scalable, flexible, and cost-effective solutions. Unlike traditional setups that require significant upfront investment, cloud services allow organizations to rent infrastructure, platforms, and software on-demand. This transformation supports dynamic workloads, increasing efficiency and adaptability.

However, as organizations scale their cloud usage, resource allocation emerges as a critical challenge. Balancing computational power, storage, and network bandwidth without overspending or under-provisioning is vital to maintaining performance and minimizing costs. Inefficient allocation can lead to excessive operational expenses or degraded user experiences.

The primary objective of this study is to explore strategies and tools for optimizing resource allocation in cloud environments. It delves into industry practices, particularly in high-demand sectors like e-commerce

and

streaming, to uncover real-world applications. Additionally, it evaluates emerging technologies such as machine learning for predicting workloads and automating allocation. Through this analysis, the study addresses the question: *How can organizations optimize resource allocation in cloud computing environments to enhance cost-effectiveness and performance?*

Overview of Subject

This study focuses on three major cloud providers—AWS, Microsoft Azure, and Google Cloud—and their approaches to resource optimization.

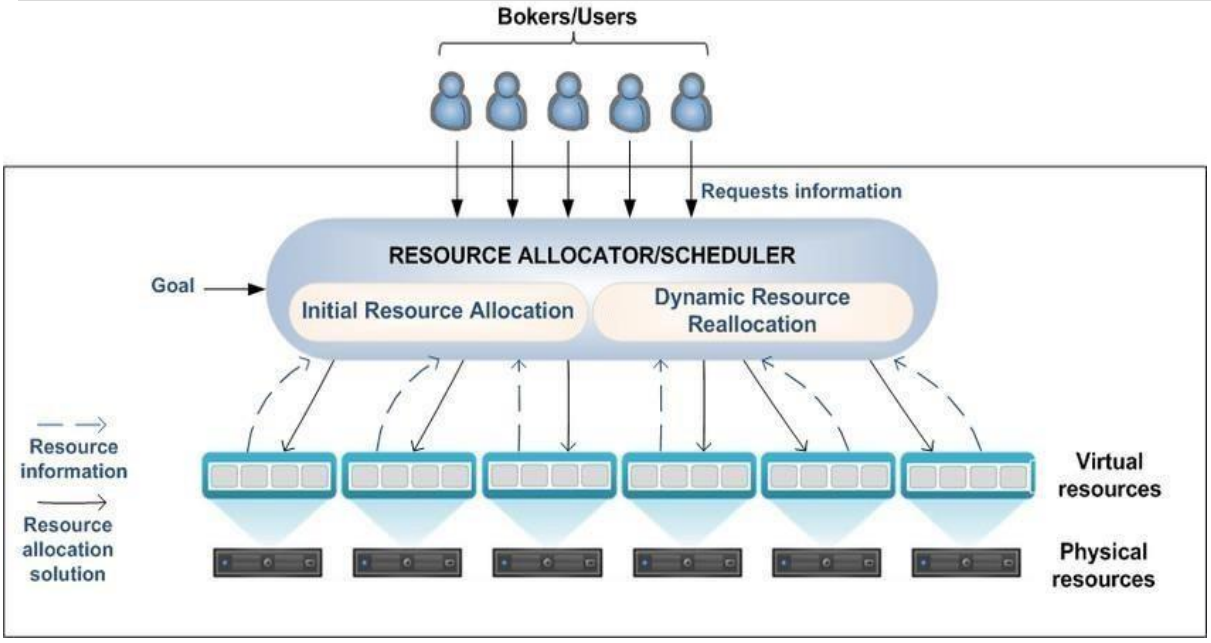
1. **Amazon Web Services (AWS):** As the first comprehensive cloud provider, AWS leads the market with over 200 services, including advanced AI and ML tools. Its predictive scaling models and global infrastructure ensure efficient and scalable solutions.
2. **Microsoft Azure:** Known for its enterprise-focused integrations, Azure excels in hybrid cloud solutions. Its emphasis on regulatory compliance and hybrid models makes it a preferred choice for industries requiring high data control.
3. **Google Cloud Platform (GCP):** Leveraging Google's expertise in data handling, GCP emphasizes open-source technologies and machine learning. Its innovations, like Kubernetes, enhance resource allocation efficiency.

The cloud computing industry has witnessed exponential growth, with spending projected to reach $947 billion by 2026. AWS dominates the market with 33% market share, followed by Azure at 22%. Each provider offers unique solutions tailored to diverse organizational needs, making them critical players in cloud resource management.

Problem Statement

The central challenge in cloud computing lies in optimizing resource allocation to handle dynamic workloads while minimizing costs. Over-provisioning resources leads to wastage, while under-provisioning risks degraded performance. Additionally, organizations face issues such as:

1. **Workload Prediction:** Accurately forecasting resource demand is crucial to avoiding unnecessary costs or resource shortages.



2. **Latency and Data Transfer:** Ensuring smooth data flow across geographically dispersed servers is essential for maintaining user experience.

3. **Load Balancing and Fault Tolerance:** Distributing workloads effectively minimizes downtime and enhances system stability.

4. **Security Concerns:** Dynamic adjustments in resource allocation may introduce vulnerabilities, necessitating robust security protocols.

Addressing these challenges requires innovative strategies and technologies that can adapt to fluctuating demands.

Methodology

This study adopts a mixed-method approach to analyze resource allocation strategies:

1. **Quantitative Analysis:** Data on resource usage, response times, and costs was gathered from industry reports and case studies. Statistical methods, such as regression analysis, were used to identify patterns and correlations.

2. **Qualitative Analysis:** Interviews with IT professionals and cloud architects provided insights into practical challenges and solutions. Case studies of organizations like Netflix and Spotify illustrated real-world applications.
3. **Machine Learning Models:** Predictive algorithms were used to anticipate resource demands based on historical data, enabling proactive decision-making.

This comprehensive approach ensures a robust understanding of cloud resource optimization, combining empirical evidence with expert perspectives.

Discussion

The findings underscore the importance of adopting dynamic, data-driven strategies for cloud resource allocation. Autoscaling, predictive scaling, and load balancing each address specific aspects of resource management. However, their effectiveness depends on the organization's ability to implement them efficiently. Challenges like demand forecasting accuracy and multi-region management highlight the need for continuous innovation.

The implications are profound for all stakeholders:

- **Cloud Providers:** Efficient resource allocation enhances competitiveness by improving reliability and cost-effectiveness.
- **Service Vendors:** Optimized resources meet performance standards, boosting customer satisfaction.
- **Enterprise Clients:** Organizations achieve significant cost savings, improved performance, and agility in adapting to market demands.

conclusion

Optimizing resource allocation is not just a technical necessity but a strategic imperative in today's cloud-driven economy. Techniques like autoscaling, predictive scaling, and load balancing empower organizations to manage

dynamic workloads while reducing operational costs. Real-world examples, such as Netflix and Spotify, demonstrate the transformative impact of these strategies on performance and scalability.

By leveraging data-driven tools and embracing adaptive strategies, organizations can achieve operational excellence and maintain a competitive edge. As cloud technologies evolve, resource optimization will remain a cornerstone of success, enabling businesses to meet the demands of an increasingly digital world.

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TRENDS IN DISTRIBUTED COMPUTING: SERVERLESS COMPUTING

Introduction

Serverless computing is a cloud computing execution model in which the cloud provider dynamically manages the allocation and provisioning of servers. Contrary to what the term "serverless" suggests, servers are still involved. However, managing these servers and infrastructure falls on the cloud provider, not the end-user. This means developers can focus on writing code and developing applications without worrying about the underlying hardware or the operational aspects of server management.

How It Works

1. Event Triggering

Serverless computing revolves around events. These events could be HTTP requests, changes to a database, file uploads, or scheduled tasks. When an event occurs, it triggers the execution of a specific function.

2. Function Execution

Functions are the core of serverless architecture. These are compact, specialized snippets of code crafted by developers to carry out particular tasks. When a certain event takes place, the corresponding function is triggered. Functions are stateless and do not store information across different executions.

3. Dynamic Resource

Allocation Unlike traditional models where resources are pre-allocated, serverless platforms dynamically allocate resources to execute functions in response to events. This dynamic scaling ensures optimal resource utilization and cost efficiency.

4. Pay-as-You-Go Model

One of the key advantages of serverless computing is its cost model. With the pay-as-you-go model, you only pay for the actual compute time consumed by your functions. This contrasts with traditional models, where resources are provisioned regardless of usage.

Methodology

Research Approach

To study and analyze the trends in serverless computing, specifically focusing on data management and security, a comprehensive research approach is necessary. The rapidly evolving nature of serverless computing, with its dynamic technologies and security considerations, requires a multifaceted methodology. research approach will give you a thorough understanding of the latest trends, challenges, and future directions of serverless computing in the context of data management and security. It combines both theoretical and practical methods to gain insights into the field, supporting the development of robust serverless architectures and secure practices in cloud-native applications.

Data Collection

The data collection process for research on serverless computing involves gathering both primary and secondary data from a variety of sources. Primary data, obtained through surveys, interviews, and case studies, provides insights from practitioners and real-world applications. Secondary data, sourced from academic papers, industry reports, and cloud provider documentation, offers a broader perspective on the technological and security landscape of serverless computing. Together, this data forms the foundation for understanding current trends, challenges, and best practices in data management and security within architectures.

Frameworks and Models

Using frameworks and models like the Serverless Framework, AWS SAM, Zero Trust Security, and Event-Driven Architecture can provide valuable insights into how serverless applications handle data management and security. These models allow for the systematic evaluation and design of serverless systems while addressing key challenges such as data consistency, scalability, security, efficiency. To structure research on serverless computing, particularly focusing on data management and security, it's important to utilize established frameworks and models that allow for effective analysis, design, and evaluation architectures. These frameworks help guide the design and implementation of serverless applications, particularly with respect to managing data and ensuring security. The Serverless Framework is an open-source tool that makes it

easy to build and deploy serverless applications across multiple cloud providers, include Cloud.

Fig. Serverless Computing

AWS Lambda: As the first major serverless service, AWS Lambda is used to run functions in response to events, scaling automatically without the need to manage servers. It integrates with other AWS services, making it suitable for a broad range of applications.

Azure Functions: Microsoft's serverless offering that supports languages like C#, JavaScript, and Python, allowing event-driven code to be run on a scalable cloud infrastructure. It integrates well with other Azure services and has strong DevOps support.

Google Cloud Functions: A lightweight serverless compute solution for Google Cloud, it supports multiple programming languages and integrates well with Google services like BigQuery, Cloud Storage, and Firebase.

OpenFaaS: Open-source serverless functions platform, deployable on Docker or Kubernetes, enabling developers to run functions on any environment. It's highly customizable and is not restricted to a specific cloud.

Applications

1. **Real-Time Data Processing:**
   Serverless platforms like AWS Lambda, Google Cloud Functions, and Azure Functions can be used to process data in real time, which is particularly useful for applications in IoT, financial services, and social media analytics.

Application: A smart factory deploying sensors that stream data to a serverless architecture. Serverless functions process the data in real-time, triggering actions like alerting the factory manager if a machine is about to fail or providing live feedback on production quality.

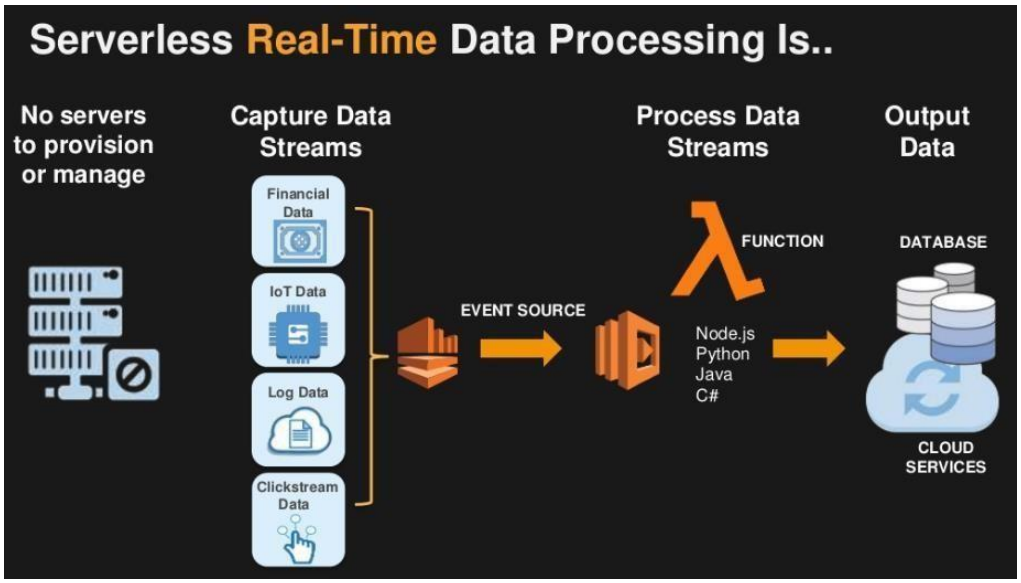

Fig. Serverless Real Time Data Processing

2. Serverless Chatbots and Voice Assistants:

Serverless architectures can be used to build chatbots and voice assistants that respond to user queries and integrate with back-end services to provide personalized customer support, product recommendations, and more.

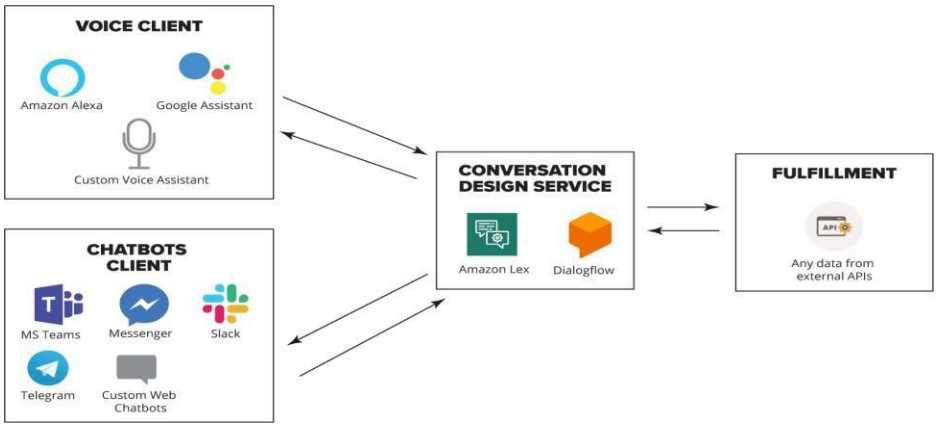

Fig. Architecture of serverless chatbots and assitants

Cost-Effectiveness: Serverless platforms like AWS Lambda, Google Cloud Functions, and Azure Functions offer pay-per-use pricing, making it economical to handle fluctuating demand. The serverless model only incurs costs when the functions are executed, which is ideal for chatbots and voice assistants with unpredictable traffic patterns.

Scalability: Serverless functions automatically scale up with increased user intractions and scale down during idle periods. This makes serverless architectures ideal for handling both peak loads (e.g., during promotional events) and low-traffic periods without provisioning extra infrastructure.

Rapid Development and Deployment: With serverless computing, developers focus solely on writing code for the chatbot's logic and back-end interactions. Serverless platforms handle deployment, scalability, and infrastructure management, reducing development time and allowing for faster iteration and deployment.

Advantages

Cost Efficiency: One of the most significant advantages of serverless computing is the pay-as-you-go pricing model. You only pay for the actual compute time and resources your application consumes, rather than for provisioning servers or infrastructure that may sit idle.
Scalability and Elasticity: Serverless platforms automatically scale to accommodate fluctuating workloads. This means that as the number of requests or events increases, the infrastructure scales up automatically, and when traffic drops, the resources scale down.

Reduced Operational Overhead: Serverless computing abstracts away the management of the underlying infrastructure (servers, storage, networking). This allows developers to focus solely on writing application code and logic, speeding up development cycles.

Flexibility: Many serverless platforms allow developers to use different programming languages (e.g., Python, Node.js, Java, Go, etc.) and frameworks, making it easier to choose the best tool for each use case. This flexibility encourages innovation and experimentation.

Disadvantages

Limited Execution Time Most serverless platforms impose a maximum execution time for functions (e.g., AWS Lambda has a maximum execution timeout of 15 minutes). This can be problematic for long-running tasks such as complex data processing or machine learning model training, which may not be suitable for serverless architectures.

Debugging and Monitoring Challenges: Debugging serverless applications can be harder than traditional server-based applications because the serverless functions may run in distributed environments, making it difficult to track issues, trace requests, and maintain context across different invocations.

Security Concerns: Since serverless functions often expose public APIs and are stateless, there are increased risks of security vulnerabilities, such as API abuse.

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GOOGLE'S TENSORFLOW DISTRIBUTED TRAINING INFRASTRUCTURE

Introduction

TensorFlow, created by the Google Brain team and released in 2015, is a groundbreaking open-source platform for machine learning. It caters to a wide array of machine learning tasks, ranging from simple statistical models to intricate neural networks. TensorFlow's versatility lies in its ability to scale seamlessly from individual devices to massive data centers, enabling developers to build and deploy solutions efficiently. The platform offers a comprehensive suite of tools and APIs that simplify the process of constructing deep neural networks, training models, and deploying them in diverse environments. This flexibility has made TensorFlow a cornerstone in the field of artificial intelligence (AI) and deep learning, empowering researchers and businesses to innovate rapidly and stay competitive.

Evolution of TensorFlow Distributed Training

The journey of TensorFlow began as an evolution of Google's earlier internal tool, DistBelief, which was developed in 2011 to handle large-scale neural networks. While effective, DistBelief's limited flexibility and accessibility prompted the development of TensorFlow as a more robust and user-friendly alternative. Released as an open-source framework in 2015, TensorFlow aimed to democratize access to advanced machine learning tools. Over time, TensorFlow's distributed training capabilities have been significantly enhanced to address the growing computational demands of modern AI models, which often involve massive datasets and complex architectures. Key milestones in its evolution include the release of TensorFlow 2.0 in 2019, which introduced simplified development workflows, improved scalability, and advanced distribution strategies like MirroredStrategy and TPUStrategy. Subsequent updates have continued to refine its performance, particularly for cloud-native environments and large-scale deployments.

TensorFlow Distributed Architecture

TensorFlow's distributed architecture is designed to facilitate efficient training of machine learning models across multiple devices or machines. Central to this architecture is the concept of clusters, which are networks of interconnected nodes working collaboratively to divide and process training workloads. Each node in a cluster is assigned a specific role, such as a worker node that performs computations or a parameter server that manages model parameters. By leveraging this architecture, TensorFlow can efficiently distribute computational tasks, significantly reducing training time and optimizing resource utilization.

The platform employs two primary forms of parallelism to achieve scalability: data parallelism and model parallelism. Data parallelism involves replicating the entire model across multiple devices, each processing a different subset of the data, making it particularly effective for smaller models. Conversely, model parallelism divides the model itself across multiple devices, which is ideal for handling extremely large architectures that cannot fit into the memory of a single device. To simplify the implementation of distributed training, TensorFlow provides several distribution strategies, including MirroredStrategy for single-machine, multi-GPU setups; MultiWorkerMirroredStrategy for multi-machine environments; and TPUStrategy for Tensor Processing Units (TPUs).

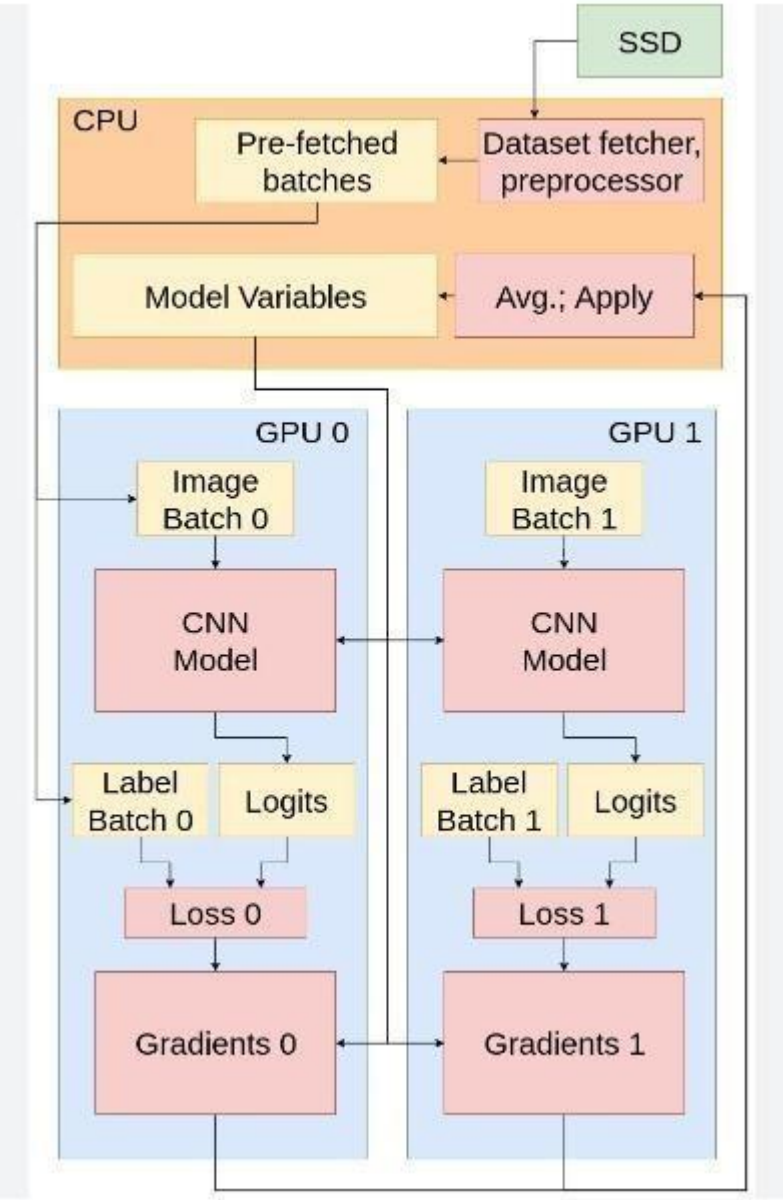

Fig - TensorFlow Distributed Architecture

Methodology

To further enhance its distributed training capabilities, TensorFlow employs advanced methodologies such as synchronous and asynchronous training. Synchronous training ensures consistency by requiring all worker nodes to complete their computations and update model parameters simultaneously. In contrast, asynchronous training allows worker nodes to operate independently, enabling faster updates and better utilization of

heterogeneous resources. The parameter server strategy is another key component of TensorFlow's distributed training framework. In this approach, worker nodes process data and compute gradients, while parameter servers aggregate these gradients and synchronize updated parameters across the cluster. TensorFlow's integration with Horovod, an open-source library developed by Uber, has also improved the efficiency of distributed training, particularly for large-scale, multi-node environments.

TensorFlow for Large-Scale Infrastructure

Beyond model development and training, TensorFlow provides robust support for deploying and managing machine learning applications in production. TensorFlow Extended (TFX) offers a comprehensive pipeline for transitioning models from development to production, ensuring consistency and reliability through standardized processes. TensorFlow Serving facilitates real-time inference with optimized model management features such as versioning and A/B testing, making it suitable for high-demand applications. Additionally, the Google Cloud AI Platform integrates seamlessly with TensorFlow, providing managed training and deployment solutions that leverage powerful hardware like GPUs and TPUs. This integration supports end-to-end machine learning workflows, including automated hyperparameter tuning and secure, scalable deployment.

Real-World Applications

TensorFlow's distributed training infrastructure has enabled numerous real-world applications across various industries. Within Google, TensorFlow powers critical projects in image recognition, natural language processing, and autonomous driving. For example, Google Lens and Image Search utilize TensorFlow to analyze massive datasets, enhancing visual search capabilities. In natural language processing, TensorFlow drives models for Google Translate and Assistant, enabling real-time voice recognition and multilingual translation. Waymo, Google's self-driving car division, relies on TensorFlow to train models for tasks like object detection and lane navigation, processing extensive driving datasets efficiently through distributed training.

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SECURITY CHALLENGES IN EDGE AND FOG COMPUTING: A CASE STUDY ON PRIVACY PRESERVING COMPUTATION MODELS

Introduction

Background of the Topic

The rise of IoT and real-time data applications has highlighted the importance of Edge and Fog computing, where data processing occurs closer to its source to reduce latency and enhance responsiveness. Edge computing operates at the periphery of networks, like IoT devices, while Fog computing acts as an intermediary, using nodes such as gateways for localized processing. While these paradigms improve efficiency, they also introduce significant security challenges, such as data breaches, unauthorized access, and difficulties in ensuring data confidentiality and integrity.

Privacy-preserving computation models, including homomorphic encryption and differential privacy, enable secure data handling without direct access to raw information. These methods, while promising, face limitations such as scalability and resource constraints.

Purpose and Objectives of the Case Study

This study aims to address the vulnerabilities introduced by decentralized models in Edge and Fog computing environments. It evaluates privacy-preserving computation models, such as secure multi-party computation and federated learning, for their effectiveness in mitigating risks to data confidentiality, integrity, and authentication. By identifying strengths and limitations, the study provides insights into improving the scalability and efficiency of these models to secure resource-constrained and distributed networks.

Problem Statement

Core Issue and Opportunity Explored

The core issue lies in adapting traditional centralized cloud security frameworks to decentralized Edge and Fog networks, which are inherently

vulnerable to cyberattacks due to their distributed nature. Ensuring robust data privacy, integrity, and access control in these environments is critical for their widespread adoption.

Secondary Issues

- **Resource Limitations**: Constrained computational capacity of Edge and Fog devices.
- **Data Integrity and Access Control**: Increased vulnerability in transmitting sensitive data across untrusted nodes.
- **Scalability of Privacy Models**: Challenges in scaling homomorphic encryption and similar techniques in dynamic networks.
- **Latency**: Real-time applications require low-latency solutions, which complex security protocols can hinder.

Significance of the Problem

As decentralized systems become integral to modern applications like smart cities and IoT, addressing their security vulnerabilities is crucial. Ineffective privacy models deter adoption, hindering innovation and limiting the benefits of reduced latency and real-time responsiveness. This study's exploration into scalable, efficient security solutions aims to bridge this gap.

Literature Review

Theoretical Frameworks and Key Concepts

Edge and Fog computing revolutionize distributed computing by addressing latency and bandwidth challenges. Privacy-preserving models such as homomorphic encryption and federated learning ensure data confidentiality by processing encrypted or anonymized data. Distributed security models complement these by enforcing access control and data integrity across decentralized networks.

Insights from Literature

While decentralization improves processing efficiency, it increases vulnerability to cyberattacks. Privacy-preserving models show promise but

face scalability and computational efficiency challenges, especially in resource-limited devices. A multi-layered security approach integrating cryptographic techniques and machine learning is essential for robust protection.

Methodology

Research Design and Data Collection

The study employs a qualitative design, focusing on a systematic literature review of peer-reviewed journals, industry reports, and case studies. Analysis prioritizes privacy-preserving computation models tailored to Edge and Fog environments.

Analysis Techniques

Thematic analysis identifies recurring themes like scalability and resource efficiency, while taxonomy development categorizes privacy-preserving models by their effectiveness and computational demands.

Limitations

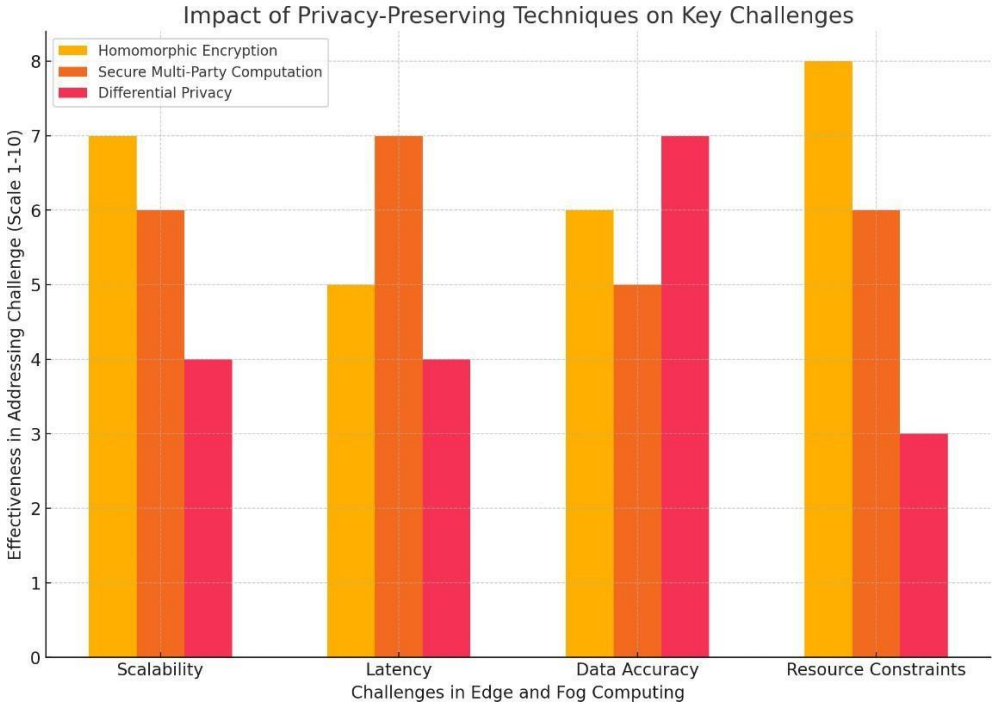
The reliance on secondary data may limit insights into emerging trends. Additionally, generalizing findings across diverse Edge and Fog environments poses challenges.

Data Analysis and Findings

Key Findings

1. **Homomorphic Encryption**: High security but computationally intensive for resource-limited devices.
2. **Secure Multi-Party Computation**: Balances security and usability but faces latency issues.
3. **Differential Privacy**: Efficient but impacts data accuracy.

A layered approach combining multiple techniques is essential for scalable, secure Edge and Fog frameworks.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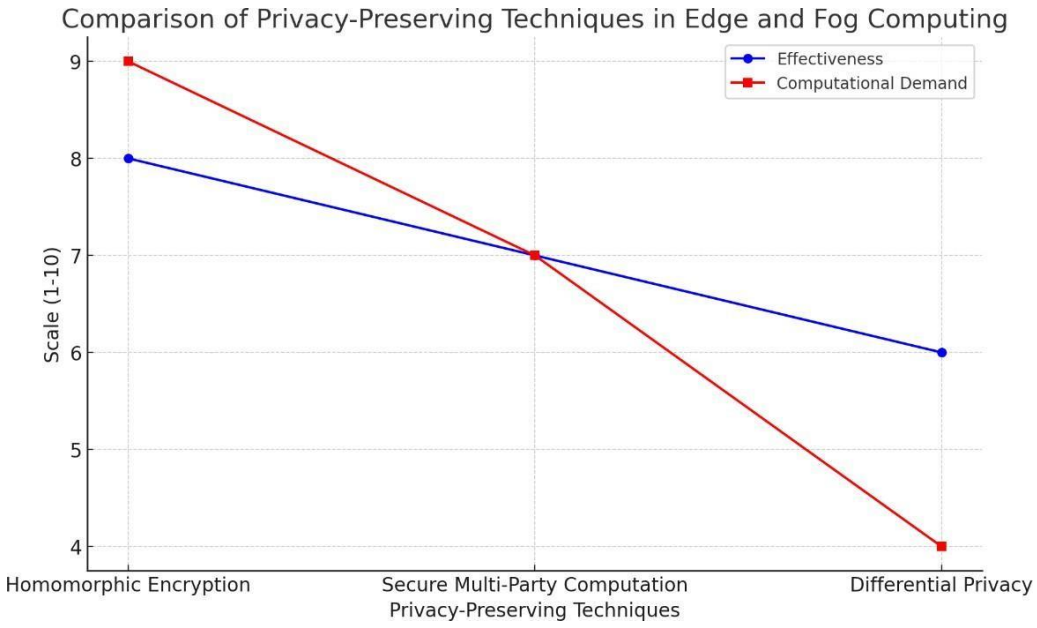
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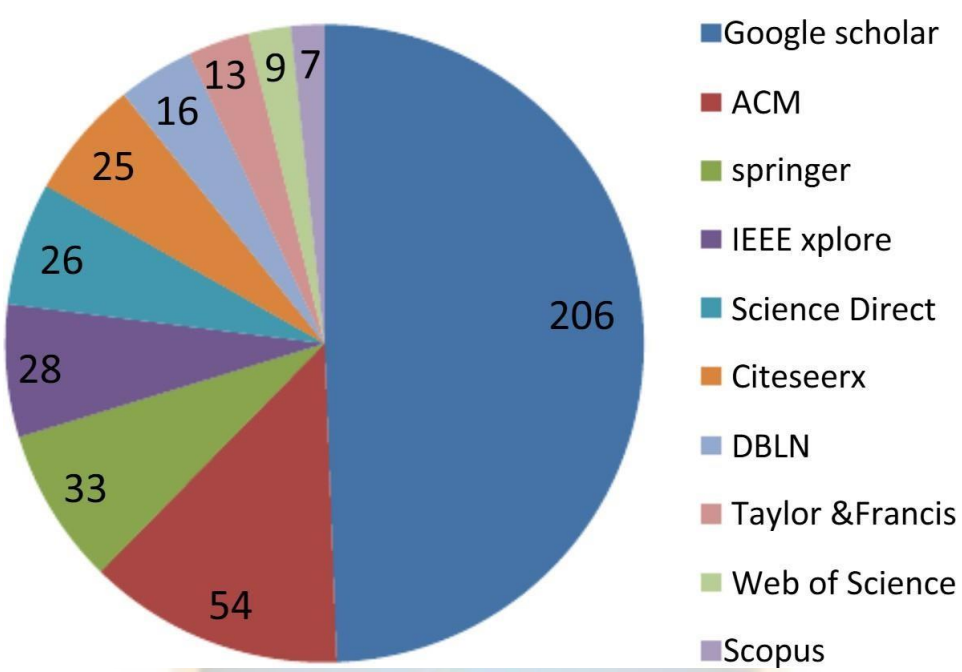

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Discussion

The primary research problem for this case study is the security challenges inherent in Edge and Fog computing, especially concerning privacy and data protection. Findings from the study indicate that privacy-preserving computation models—such as secure multi-party computation, homomorphic encryption, differential privacy, and federated learning—offer a promising foundation for safeguarding sensitive data in these environments. However, several limitations have emerged. The scalability of these models and their computational overhead are significant barriers, particularly in Edge and Fog settings where devices are often resource-constrained.

The findings align with several insights from existing literature on the challenges and limitations of implementing privacy-preserving models in Edge and Fog computing . Prior studies indicate that scalability and resource limitations are longstanding obstacles in distributed computing, particularly for privacy- preserving mechanisms designed for cloud environments but less suited to Edge and Fog networks.

However, the literature also highlights emerging solutions, such as lightweight encryption and hybrid approaches, to optimize these models for Edge and Fog computing. Unlike pure homomorphic encryption, hybrid approaches can balance security with computational feasibility by combining lightweight encryption techniques with traditional privacy models. Despite these advancements, the findings of this study reveal that these solutions remain in the early stages of development, with limited empirical evidence of their effectiveness in large-scale deployments. As such, this study contributes to the literature by emphasizing the need for continued innovation to improve the scalability and efficiency of privacy-preserving models specifically designed for Edge and Fog environments.

Real-World Examples

Healthcare and Remote Patient Monitoring

In healthcare, Edge and Fog computing allow medical devices to process data closer to the patient, enabling faster, real-time monitoring and analysis. For instance, wearable devices can monitor vital signs and transmit relevant data to local Fog nodes for initial processing before sending it to cloud servers. This setup reduces latency, allowing healthcare providers to respond more quickly to potential health issues.

However, patient data is highly sensitive, requiring robust privacy protections. Privacy-preserving models like **homomorphic encryption** can allow computations on encrypted health data, such as calculating heart rate trends, without exposing raw data to healthcare providers. Yet, implementing homomorphic encryption on low-power wearable devices is challenging due to its high computational cost, potentially limiting the effectiveness of real-time analysis. Additionally, **federated learning** enables machine learning models to be trained across multiple devices, allowing patient data to remain localized on each device while still contributing to the development of a centralized model. This technique is promising but can still face performance and privacy risks if communication between devices isn't secure

Smart Cities and Traffic Management

Smart cities utilize Edge and Fog computing for various applications, such as traffic management, where real-time data from road cameras, sensors, and vehicle networks is processed to optimize traffic flow, reduce congestion, and improve safety. Processing data at the edge like at traffic lights or nearby Fog nodes allows for quicker decision-making compared to cloud processing.

Here, **differential privacy** can protect individual drivers' data while still providing aggregated traffic data insights to city authorities. Differential privacy can add statistical "noise" to anonymize individual vehicle information without compromising overall data patterns. However, implementing differential privacy in Edge devices, such as roadside sensors, can be challenging due to their limited computational capabilities. Additionally, a large network of heterogeneous devices can make the application of differential privacy complex, requiring a carefully tuned balance to avoid compromising either privacy or utility.

Conclusion

Edge and Fog computing enable decentralized, real-time data processing across sectors like healthcare, IoT, and smart cities but introduce significant security and privacy challenges. While models like homomorphic encryption, secure multi- party computation, and federated learning offer solutions, they face scalability, cost, and complexity issues in resource-constrained environments. This study highlights the need for lightweight encryption, efficient data processing, and adaptive security protocols to address these gaps. A layered, privacy-centric approach, combining privacy-preserving models with dynamic mechanisms, is essential for secure, scalable Edge and Fog systems, fostering trust and enabling privacy-conscious applications.

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