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A Cost-Effective Online Resource Scheduling using Concave Pricing for Cloud Computing

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Abstract

Cloud computing is the term used to describe a paradigm for providing universal network access to a shared set of reconfigurable computer resources. Users and businesses may utilise solutions for cloud computing and storage that let users process and store their data at other people's facilities centres in a variety of ways. Similar to a utility through a network, it depends on resource sharing to achieve coherence and economies of scale. The fundamental concept behind cloud computing is converged infrastructure and shared services. Most Infrastructure-as-a-Service (IaaS) cloud service providers provide a variety of price plans to appeal to clients with different needs. Maintaining one's competitiveness among other cloud service providers is crucial from the standpoint of the specific cloud service provider. A cloud broker can maximise the savings provided by cloud service providers by intelligently allocating resources to various clients. This study focuses on the cost-effective online resource scheduling that a broker might use to assist a group of clients in utilising the volume discount pricing technique offered by cloud service providers. This project's technology offers a space consumption algorithm to cut down on costs and attract more users.

1. INTRODUCTION

A cloud broker is a third-party person or company that serves as a middleman between the buyers and sellers of cloud computing services. In general, a broker is a person who mediates talks between two or more parties. By investigating services from many providers and giving the client information on how to use cloud computing to achieve business objectives, the broker's function may simply be to save the client time. In this case, the broker collaborates with the customer to comprehend the demands for data management, budgeting, and provisioning. Upon completion of the investigation, the broker provides the client with a short list of suggested cloud service providers, and the client then gets in touch with the chosen vendor(s) to make arrangements for service.

Moreover, the authority to bargain deals with cloud service providers on behalf of the client may be delegated to a cloud broker. In such a case, the broker is empowered to allocate services among many suppliers in an effort to be as cost-effective as feasible, notwithstanding any potential complication in the negotiations with numerous providers. A user interface (UI) and application programme interface (API) that hides complexity and enables the client to interact with their cloud services as if they were being purchased from a single vendor may be made available by the broker to the client. Sometimes, a cloud aggregator is used to describe this kind of broker.

A cloud broker may also offer the client further services, such as supporting the duplication, encryption, and transfer of the client's data to the cloud and helping with data lifecycle management, in addition to serving as a middleman for contract discussions (DLM). A cloud enabler is another name for this kind of broker. A different kind of broker, sometimes known as a cloud customizer or white label cloud provider, chooses cloud services on behalf of a client, combines the services so they function together, and then markets the new product under their own name.

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The cloud brokerage business model is currently being developed. In its most straightforward form, a customer can engage a broker at the start of a project and pay the broker an hourly rate for their services. However, a broker offering more comprehensive services could bill the client on a sliding scale, based on the services the client contracts for. Once the customer has made the necessary arrangements, a broker may also get into a partnership with one or more cloud service providers and receive compensation in the form of a tiny cut of the cloud provider's earnings. A software programme called a cloud broker makes it easier to distribute work among many cloud service providers. A cloud agent is another name for this kind of cloud broker.

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The goal of cloud computing, or simply "the cloud" in shorthand, is to maximise the efficiency of shared resources. Cloud resources are often dynamically reassigned based on demand as well as shared by many users. To allocate resources to users, this might be done. In particular, a cloud computing facility that offers European customers with a given application during European business hours may reallocate the same resources to supply North American users with a different application during North American business hours. As less energy, air conditioning, rack space, etc. is needed This approach should maximise the use of computer power while simultaneously minimising environmental impact for a range of processes.

By the usage of the cloud, several users may access one server to obtain as well as upgrade their data with no need to purchase licences for numerous programmes. Witnessed the incredible growth of cloud computing over the last few years as more and more cloud service providers jumped on board. Large-scale public cloud companies have briskly arisen with the steady expansion. Despite all the excitement around cloud computing, Actual adoption rates continue to fall short of predictions, particularly outside of the United States. It is obvious that encouraging end users to utilise cloud computing is essential for the whole cloud sector.

Maintaining one's competitiveness among other cloud service providers is crucial from the standpoint of the specific cloud service provider. According to the analysis, perfecting effective pricing strategies is the only path to cloud computing success. This study focuses on the cost-effective online resource scheduling that a broker might use to assist a group of clients in utilising the volume discount pricing technique provided by cloud service providers. This project's technology offers a space consumption algorithm to cut down on costs and attract more users.

2. LITERATURE SURVEY

The research of speed scaling with arbitrary power functions is presented in this publication. The major outcome is an approach for reducing the total flow plus energy that is (3+)-competitive and holds for almost every power function. We also present a generalisation of all existing models in the literature for permissible speeds. The scheduling issues that occur in this environment have received a lot of investigation as energy consumption has emerged as a critical concern in microprocessor design. Our primary contribution consists of launching theoretical studies into speed scaling issues with more versatile power functions and creating algorithmic analysis methods for such a situation. The goal of reducing a linear combination of total (potentially weighted) flow and total energy utilised is covered in this text. It implies that the best schedule is one that maximises = 4 times the total energy utilised plus the flow. Another popular QoS metric, total/average stretch, is also generalised by weighted flow. The invention of a new type of constantly fluctuating potential function that is dependent on the integral number of incomplete jobs is the text's key technical contribution. [1].

The flexibility to integrate processors tailored for certain work kinds makes heterogeneous architectures, like the STI Cell processor, the architectural design of choice for the future. They can provide much greater performance for typical workloads and are more energy efficient and produce less heat per unit of calculation. Yet, because to the growing heterogeneity in the fabrication process, processors that were intended to be homogenous are more probable to heterogeneous at run time. This position paper lists three key difficulties in scheduling heterogeneous multiprocessor systems: determining each processor's state, determining the resource requirements of each work, and achieving the best possible matching between jobs and processors. It investigates how to distribute these jobs to processors of various power as well as changing energy efficiency under the assumption that different occupations are of varying significance. The goal is to lower the flow of j by one unit of time, and the weighted flow plus energy objective establishes an upper limit on how much energy can be used to run j. finding the "correct" potential function is the key technological challenge for the online scheduler, which has three component policies [2].

In order to reduce the overall power cost of processing these operations under time-of-use electricity tariffs, this study looks at the challenge of scheduling jobs on a single machine. The problem can be resolved in polynomial time for the uniform-speed scenario, when every job has arbitrary power requirements and needs to be completed at the same speed. The non-preemptive variant of the issue is severely NP-hard for the speed-scalable scenario. For this situation, various approximation techniques are provided, and the computing performance of these approximation strategies is evaluated using cases that were produced randomly. In the US, industrial activities account for around one-third of total end-use energy consumption. Several strategies have been put up to develop energy-efficient systems, including taking advantage of fluctuating electricity pricing and adopting the dynamic speed scaling technology. The stability and efficiency of electrical power networks are enhanced by variable pricing, which is used to regulate the equilibrium between supply and demand for electricity. Time-of-use (TOU) rates fluctuate every hour to account for variations in wholesale energy costs, They are usually made public a day or an hour in advance. It is challenging to optimize energy use and expenses since the price of power might vary by up to a factor of 10 from one hour to the next. Via a trade-off between speed and power consumption, dynamic speed scaling enables the processing of operations at any pace. The scheduling of a single machine with the aim of reducing the overall cost of electricity under TOU tariffs is one of the first topics that is addressed in this paper. This work opens up a wide range of new research opportunities [3].

The basic scheduling problem is presented in this work. As long as a processor is "active," it can plan up to B jobs for a timeslot t. The time the machine is in use overall should be kept to a minimum. It provides an O(Lm) time solution to handle the preemptive scheduling issue for B = 2, where L = Pi li, and a linear time algorithm for the situation when tasks are unit length and each Ti is a single interval. The active time of the best preemptive schedule is around 4/3 that of the best non-preemptive plan. The energy needed to operate massive storage systems is what drives the processor's energy use. This study examines the issue that arises when all The information is kept in a solitary memory bank. If a schedule exists that satisfies C jobs and is active for at most A units of time is NP-hard to determine. To find an ideal solution, a quick algorithm may be created, but it falls short. Redistributing work to time slots on a dynamic basis is one solution to this issue. In this study, a novel scheduling issue with batches of at most B members is defined. There is a close relationship between this problem and other traditional covering difficulties, and the objective is to reduce the amount of active time slots in the schedule [4].

In the context of cloud computing, this study suggests an infrastructure for provisioning-based user authentication. An on-demand outsourcing service of IT resources is offered by cloud computing, which is a computer environment focused on users also uses the Internet. Users must finish the personal authentication procedure needed by the service provider each time they utilise a new Cloud service in order to maintain security. The qualities and security of the authentication technique might, however, be compromised by an attack during the authentication process, therefore interoperability as well as security are required for user authentication in cloud computing [5].

3. PROPOSED SYSTEM

The suggested system offers a space consumption strategy to lower use costs and boost user numbers. The system can determine the overall cost of the space the user has used by applying this space consumption method. You can also choose how much the price will be discounted. By the use of this technique, a cloud broker may aid in lowering client costs by multiplexing resources in both time and space.

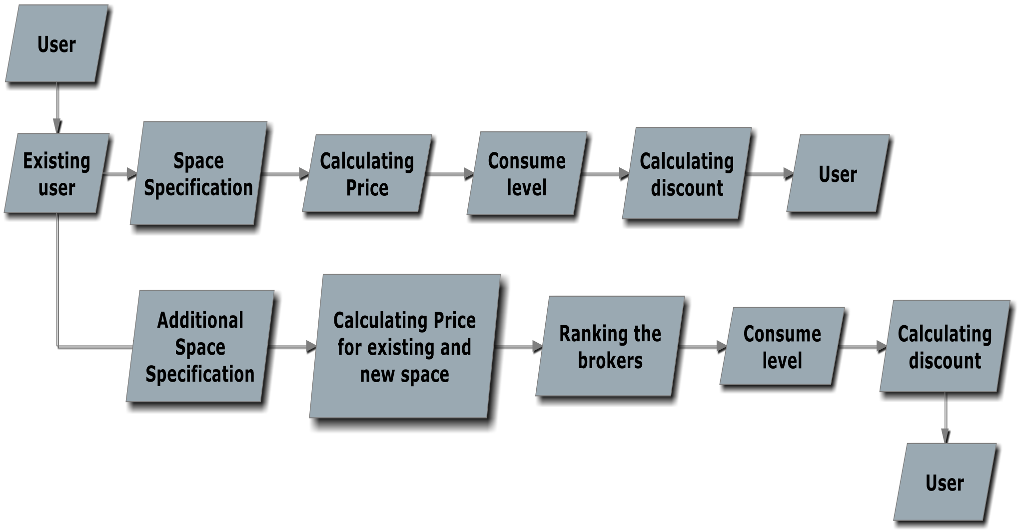

Fig 1; System architecture

The suggested approach takes into account the IaaS cloud resource scheduling challenge, where many Task requests from clients may arrive at any moment with arbitrary workloads that need to be completed by a set deadline to a broker. The algorithm takes for granted that work requests' inter-arrival times are coincidental. The system makes the assumption that, given the resource allotted to the work, the processing time for each job is predictable also acknowledged by the broker. The broker is in charge of acquiring computing resources from IaaS clouds, distributing resources to tasks, carrying out those activities, and adhering to work deadlines.

The customer-specified timelines are negotiable. Brokers act as a middleman by structuring the task requests in a way that makes the most of the volume reductions provided by the cloud provider, in contrast to PaaS cloud, where users submit job requests directly to cloud service providers. By this mediation, both the cloud provider and the users gain. Volume discounts, which frequently require a high amount of task requests, are available to individual consumers. The brokerage's increased income helps the cloud provider. The system makes the assumption that time is slotted and that jobs come at the start of a time slot in order to simplify analysis.

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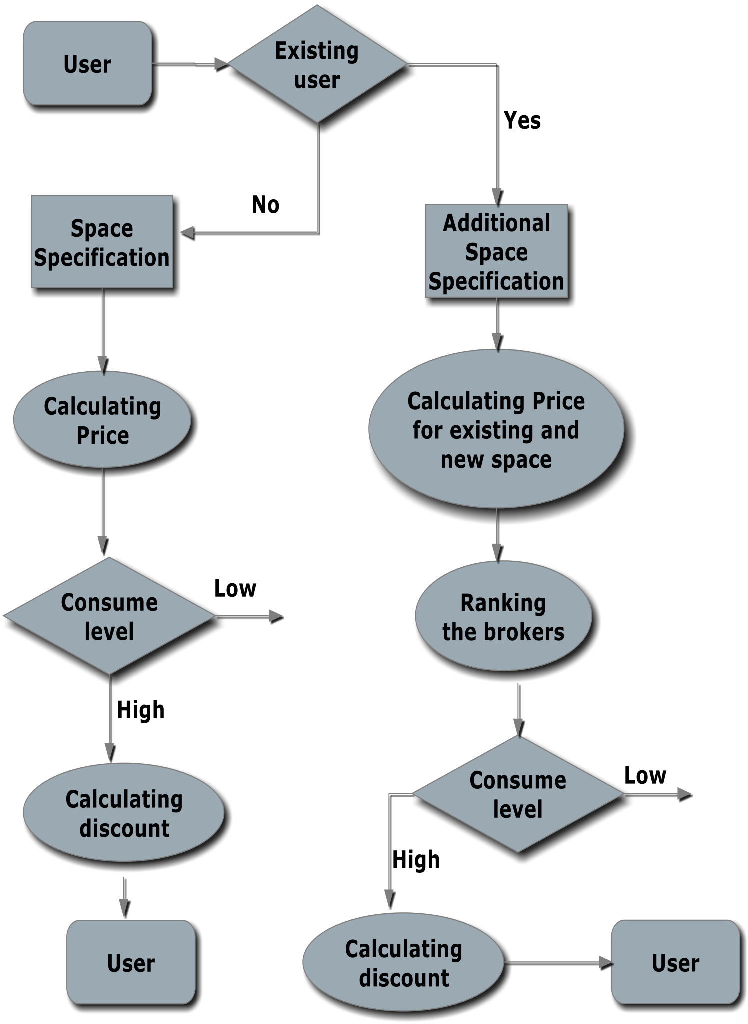

Fig 2: Flow Diagram

This presumption is both practicably and theoretically plausible. The scheduler should theoretically be allowed for the purpose of allocating the resources save money as long as each job is completed by its due date. In reality, there are several methods for dynamically modifying the resources assigned to an ongoing project. The broker must cover the cost of the resources when purchasing computing resources from IaaS clouds. The broker wants to keep the overall resource cost down while still completing each assignment by the deadline.

Customers assess the broker depends upon two criteria: if job deadlines are met as well as the cost of the jobs they must hire. If the broker is able to negotiate a reduction on the overall cost of resources for all jobs. All clients may take advantage of the savings by having it redistributed to each and every task. Using a proportionate cost-sharing plan is a simple example. Many subtasks that must be completed before the main task's completion date are frequently called upon throughout the execution of the main job. The following benefits of the suggested strategy are listed:

- The whole price might be decreased.
- As a result, each user may pay less.
- It does not divide the task's labour.
- There is more room.

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4. RESULTS

A concept called "cloud computing" enables everyone to access a shared pool of computer resources over the internet. Via cost-effective online resource scheduling, a cloud broker may let a group of clients fully utilise the bulk discount pricing approach offered by cloud service providers. It relies on resource pooling to accomplish coherence and economies of scale. This project suggests a space consumption algorithm for a broker to plan user jobs to take advantage of the pricing model with volume discounts. Customers are urged to give flexible timelines since strict deadlines only allow for a narrow window of cost savings.

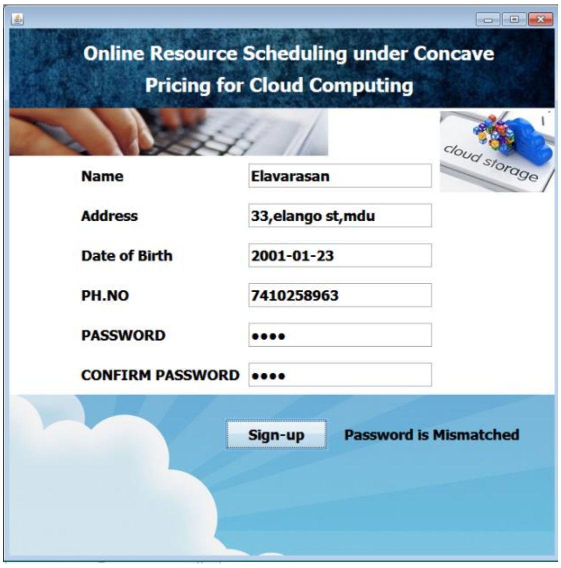

Fig 3: Login Interface

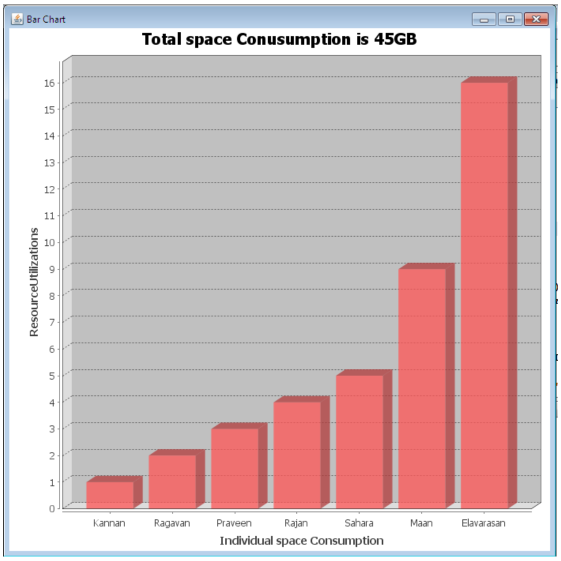

Fig 4: Total Space Consumption

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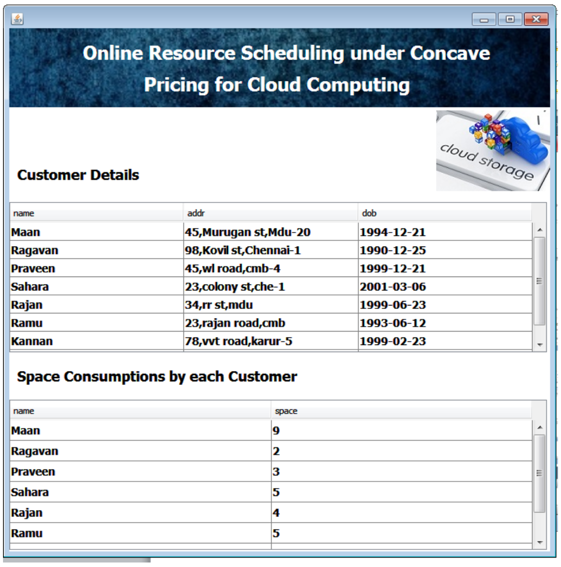

Fig 5; Pricing for Cloud Computing

5. CONCLUSION

In this project, the system has suggested a space consumption (algorithm) so that a broker may plan users' activities to take advantage of the pricing model with volume discounts in order to obtain the most cost savings for its clients. Moreover, it is used to compute the overall cost of the space a user uses as well as the total cost after any discounts. Although piece-wise linear cost functions and continuous concave cost functions were utilised in the evaluation, the characteristics still held true. A paradigm for providing universal network access to a shared pool of reconfigurable computer resources is called cloud computing. A software programme called a cloud broker makes it easier to distribute work among many cloud service providers.

A cloud agent is another name for this kind of cloud broker. Once the customer has made the necessary arrangements, a broker may also get into a partnership with one or more cloud service providers and receive compensation in the form of a tiny cut of the cloud provider's earnings. Because of cloud computing and storage solutions, users and companies may store and analyse their data in outside data centres. The paper is the first step in examining the actions and tactics taken by cloud service providers, brokers, and end users when presenting or confronted with a pricing plan that includes volume discounts. Customers are urged to establish flexible timelines in order to take advantage of volume reductions, as strict deadlines only offer a narrow window for cost savings. Also, it can lower the cost per user and increase the number of new consumers.

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