Resource Scheduling and Evaluation of Heuristics with Resource Reservation in Cloud Computing Environment

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ABSTRACT

The "cloud" is a combination of various hardware and software that work jointly to bring many aspects of computing to the users as an online service. Some uniqueness of Cloud Computing is pay-per-use, elastic capacity, misapprehension of unlimited resources, self-service interface, virtualized resources etc. Various applications running on cloud environment would expect better Quality of Service (QoS) from Cloud environment. Improvement in Quality of Service (QoS) is possible through better job scheduling and reservation of resources in advance for execution of jobs. In this paper effects of Reservation Rate and Time Factor on the performance parameters like Resource Utilization, Waiting Time, Minimum Execution Time and Success Rate of Reserved jobs have been studied for various job scheduling algorithms and their performance have been calculated in resource reservation environment in Cloud.

Keywords - Cloud Computing, Max-Mix, Min-Min Resource Reservation, Priority Scheduling

I. INTRODUCTION

Cloud is a parallel and distributed computing system consisting of a collection of inter-connected and virtualized computers that are dynamically provisioned and presented as one or more unified computing resources based on service-level agreements (SLA) established through negotiation between the service provider and consumers. Main goal of cloud is to give access to assorted resources to users whenever and however they need [7]. Various resources of cloud are processing power, data storage system, operating system, application software, infrastructure etc [8].

When resources are physically scattered and owned by variety of service providers or service consumers, resource administration plays very crucial role in achieving QoS. Scheduling is assigning set of jobs to set of resources [6]. Output of almost every scheduling algorithm depends on efficient scheduling [9]. Resource reservation is a scheduling technique for reserving a single or group of resources for a particular time for access only by a specified user or group of users [1].

Scheduling can be categorized in two types: static scheduling and dynamic scheduling [4]. In static scheduling resources are allocated prior to execution of jobs and in dynamic scheduling scheduler keeps allocating the resources as jobs keep arriving for execution [8].

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II. RELATED WORK

Resource Broker or scheduler maintains two separate queues [10]. One for the jobs which need advance resource reservation and another for jobs which do not need any resource reservation. So first resources will be allocated to the jobs which are having reservation on the required resource while in the free slots resources will be allocated to other jobs which do not require any reservation. In the case of online scheduling, if job with reservation finishes its execution before predicted time then resource will be allocated to next job in queue immediately. In rigid resource scheduling, if job finishes its execution before time than next job in queue will have to wait till its pre-defined starting time which leads to poor resource utilization [5].

Comparison of various job scheduling algorithms is given in below TABLE 1.

III. SIMULATION RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Simulation has been done with single resource environment in Cloud. Each resource is having one processor. Capacity of processor is 200 MIPS (Millions of Instruction per Second). Simulation has been performed for 3000 jobs having random execution time.
Definition of scheduling algorithm simulation variables:

1. **Reservation Rate**: It is the ratio of jobs which require resource reservation to total number of jobs.

2. **Time Factor**: It is the time at which jobs need to be submitted to scheduler in advance.

Definition of scheduling algorithm performance parameters:

1. **Resource Utilization**: This is ratio of running time of processor of resource to total time. Total time also includes idle time of processor.

2. **Waiting Time**: This is the time from which user submit job which does not require reservation to scheduler to it actually starts its execution. It is waiting time of non-reservation jobs.

3. **Minimum Execution Time**: It is total execution time of all the jobs i.e. with/without reservation by respective scheduling algorithm.

4. **Success Rate of Reserved Jobs**: It is ratio of total successfully executed reserved jobs to total no of scheduled job.

Effect of Reservation Rate and Time Factor on job scheduling algorithms like Priority Scheduling, Min-Min and Max-Min have been calculated and analyzed with performance parameters Resource Utilization, Waiting Time, Minimum Execution Time and Success Rate of Reserved jobs.

As shown from Fig. 1 to Fig. 3, initially Reservation Rate is 0; it means there is not any job which requires any resource to be reserved. With increase in Reservation Rate, Resource Utilization is also increased. When Reservation Rate increases i.e. more no of jobs with requirement of resource reservation, increase in waiting time has been observed. Here jobs which require resource reservation will get prior chance to be executed. So, non-reserved jobs need to wait for resource till it gets ideal. Hence increase in Waiting Time is observed with increase in Reservation Rate. Delay in execution of non-reserved jobs will affect overall completion time. So more the reserved jobs, more delay in overall completion time. So, increase in Minimum Completion Time observed with increase in Reservation Rate.

Now one interesting observation is, till some increase in Reservation Rate, Success Rate of Reserved job showing positive results as it keep increasing. After some increase, negative effect is observed in performance of reserved jobs. Reason for this negative effect is, when there are more number of reserved jobs, requirements of such jobs get conflicted with one another and as a result overall performance of reserved job get negatively affected.

To summarize, up to some Reservation Rate, we are observing positive effect on all mentioned parameters in all three scheduling algorithms. But beyond some acceptable Reservation Rate, due to conflicting requirements of reserved jobs, negative effects have been observed.

As shown from Fig. 4 to Fig. 6, when we are increasing Time Factor, Resource Utilization decreases. The reason behind this decrease is, where we are submitting jobs earlier to the scheduler, it will get more time to schedule the jobs. So scheduler can schedule the jobs with minimum scheduling overhead and optimize resource utilization. Other parameters like Waiting Time, Minimum Execution Time and Success Rate of Reserved jobs are showing negative effect with increase in Time Factor. Earlier the submission, reserved jobs will be scheduled prior to non-reserved jobs. So it will affect overall performance of scheduling algorithms with respect to mentioned parameters.

### Figures and Tables

**Fig.1. Effect of Reservation Rate on All Performance Parameters for Max-Min Algorithm**

**Fig.2. Effect of Reservation Rate on All Performance Parameters for Min-Min Algorithm**

**Fig.3. Effect of Reservation Rate on All Performance Parameters for Priority Scheduling Algorithm**
Table 1. Comparison of Various Scheduling Algorithms

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<th>Advantage</th>
<th>Disadvantage</th>
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<td>1</td>
<td>Opportunistic Load Balancing (OLB) [2].</td>
<td>Implementation is simple</td>
<td>Expected completion time will not be considered. Poor execution time</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Minimum Execution Time (MET) [2].</td>
<td>Job is allocated to machine with best execution time for that job</td>
<td>Few machines may be over utilized and few will be underutilized, which may lead to load misbalancing</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Minimum Completion Time (MCT) [3].</td>
<td>Combine few benefits of OLB and MET</td>
<td>Causes few jobs to be allocated to machines which do not have the minimum execution time for those jobs</td>
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V. CONCLUSION
In this paper effects of Reservation Rate and Time Factor on the performance parameters like Resource Utilization, Waiting Time, Minimum Execution Time and Success
Rate of Reserved jobs have been studied for various job scheduling algorithm like Priority Scheduling, Min-Min and Max-Min, and their performance have been calculated in resource reservation environment in Cloud. Up to some Reservation Rate, we are observing positive effect on all mentioned parameters in all three scheduling algorithms. But beyond some acceptable Reservation Rate, due to conflicting requirements of reserved jobs, negative effects have been observed. We are observing decrease in utilization of resources by increasing prior submission time of jobs because scheduler will get more time to schedule jobs for available resource. For the other parameters, in all scheduling algorithms, negative effect has been observed with increase in Time Factor.

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