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Priority Based Service Placement Strategy in Heterogeneous Mobile Edge Computing

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I. Introduction



1.1 Motivation

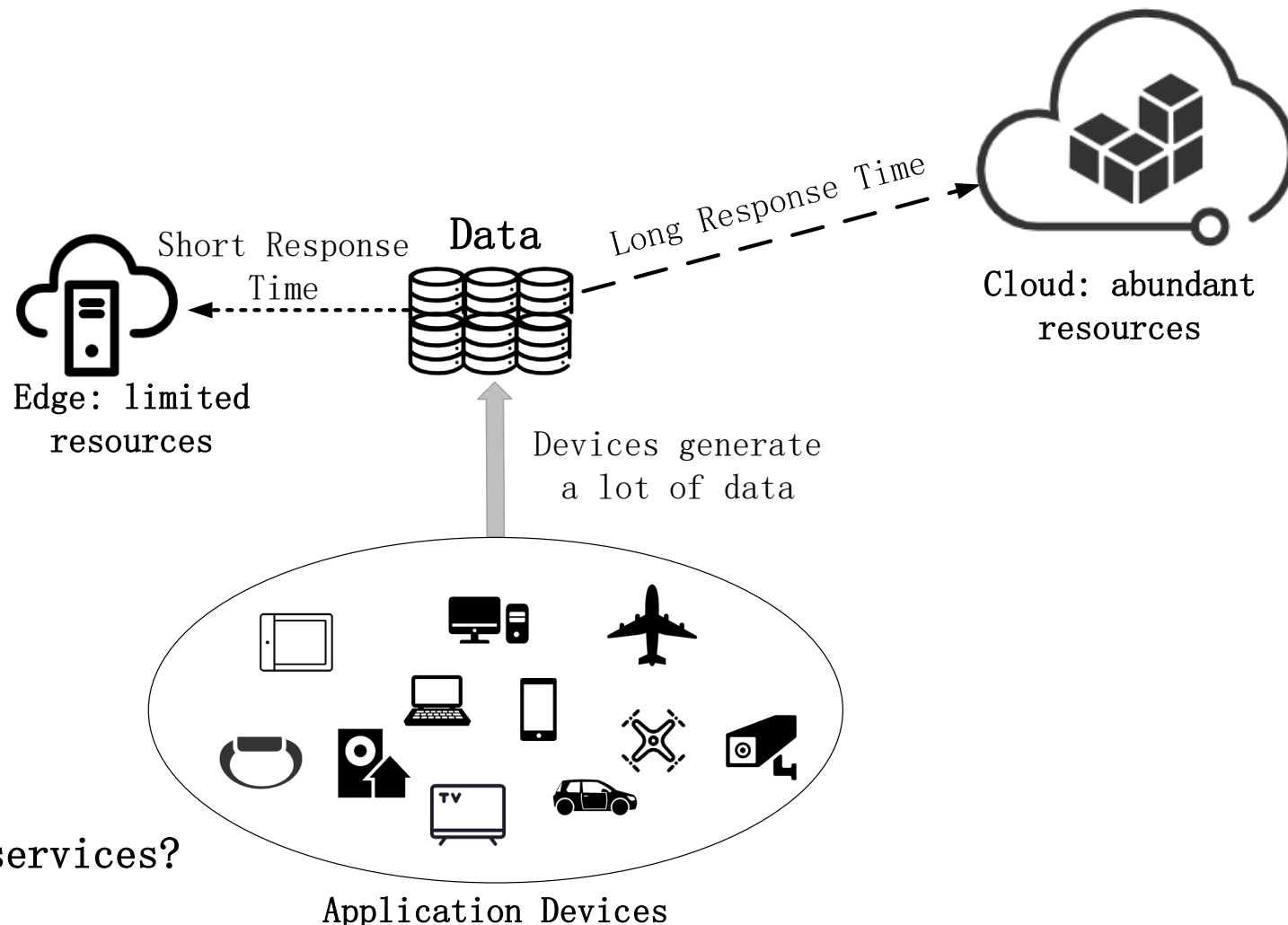
Service:
Delay sensitive;
large amount of data

Cloud:
Advantage: sufficient resources
Defect: long response time

Edge:
Advantage: short response time
Defect: limited resources



How to minimum the average response time of services?





1.2 Related work

1. Part of the service placement strategy is investigated in **the homogeneous environment** (the edge node and service performance are certain);
2. Some studies do not consider **the limitation of node resources**;
3. Most of research do not consider **the uneven distribution of service load**.



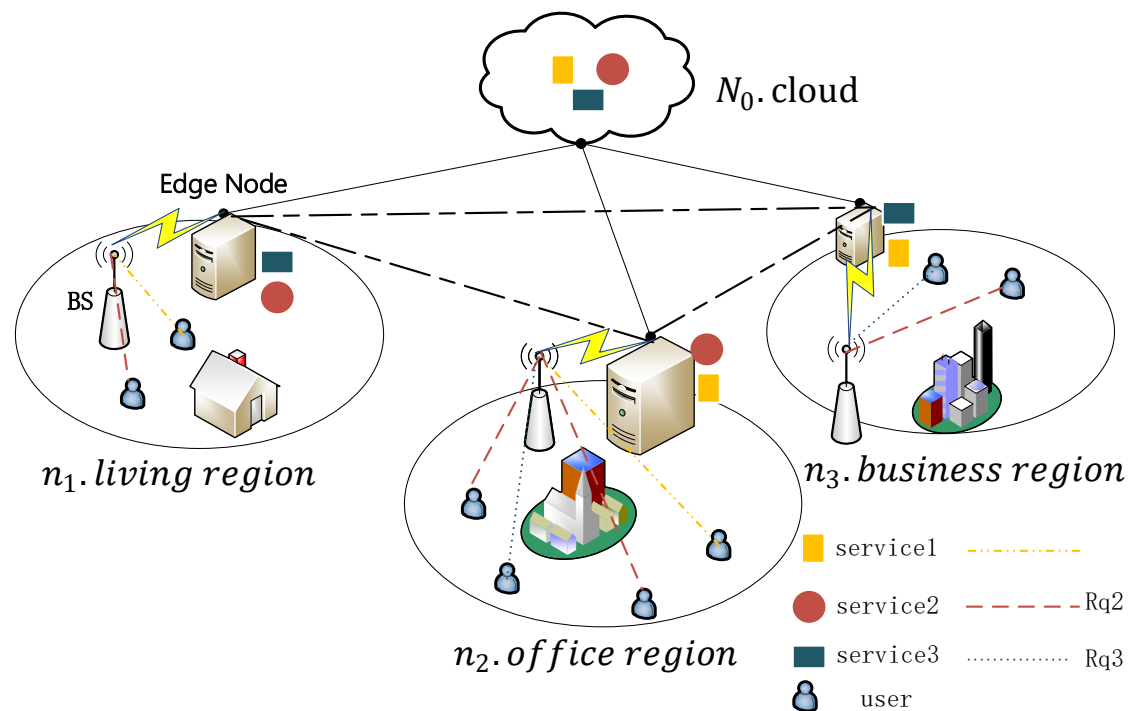
1.3 Contribution

Heterogeneity:

The node resource;
The demand of service resource;
The service load distribution.
The communication conditions between cloud and edge node;



a priority placement (2P) algorithm





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II. Problem Statement



2.1 Formulation

Load distribution: $\Phi_{l,n}$

Schedule delay: $T_{m,n}^l$

Placement strategy X :

$$x_{l,n} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{service } l \text{ placed on the node } n \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Response time Y :

$$y_n^l = \Theta \left(\sum_{m=0}^{|N|} x_{l,m} = 0 \right) \cdot \Gamma_n + \Theta \left(\sum_{m=0}^{|N|} x_{l,m} \neq 0 \right) \cdot \min\{T_{m,n}^l | x_{l,m} = 1\}$$



2.2 Aim

$$\begin{aligned} \min & \sum_{l=0}^{|S|} \sum_{n=0}^{|N|} y_{l,n} \\ \text{s. t.} & \sum_{l=0}^{|S|} x_{l,m} \cdot r_l \leq R_m \quad \forall m \in N \\ & x_{l,m} \in \{0,1\} \quad \forall l \in S, \forall m \in N \end{aligned}$$

Theorem:

The service placement in a heterogeneous MEC system is **NP-hard problem**.



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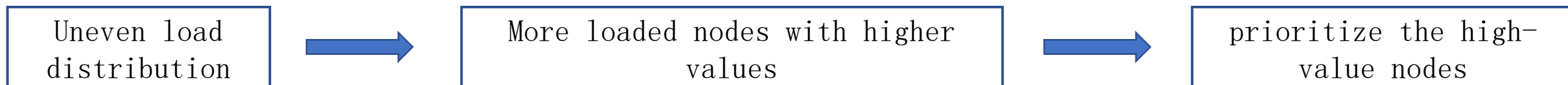
III. Placement Strategy



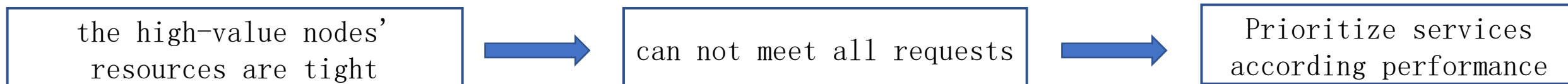
3.1 Idea

Why we propose 2P algorithm to minimize the response time?

Reason1:



Reason2:





Algorithm 1 Total Delay Algorithm

Input: Node set $N(n \in N)$, attributes: $\langle R_n, \Gamma_n \rangle$; Service set $S(l \in S)$. attributes: $\langle r_l, P_l \rangle$; Schedule delay T ; Service load distribution Φ ; Upper limit of replicas θ .

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1:  $Q = \text{averageDelay}(T, \Phi)$ ;  
2:  $G = \text{nodeCandidateSet}(Q)$ ;  
3:  $L = \text{initServiceCandidateSet}(G, 1)$ ;  
4:  $X = \text{servicePlacement}(L, G, Q, r, R, \Phi, \theta)$ ;  
5: for each  $l \in S$  do  
6:    $P_l = \text{getSum}(X)$ ;  
7:   if  $P_l == 0$  then  
8:     for each  $n \in N$  do  
9:        $y_{l,n} = \Gamma_n$ ;  
10:    end for  
11:  else  
12:    for each  $n \in N$  do  
13:       $y_{l,n} = \text{minResponseTime}(X, T)$ ;  
14:    end for  
15:  end if  
16: end for  
17: for each  $l \in S$  do  
18:   for each  $n \in N$  do  
19:      $t = t + y_{l,n} \cdot \Phi_{l,n}$ ;  
20:   end for  
21: end for
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Output: Total delay time is t .

Node value (priority) ?

Service placement strategy ?

Response time

Total delay time



3.2 Priority

1. Average delay time:

$$Q_m^l = \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{|N|} T_{m,n}^l \cdot \Phi_{l,n}}{\sum_{n=0}^{|N|} \Phi_{l,n}}$$

2. The ideal node set:

$$G_{l,k} = \{n_{p_1}, \dots, n_{p_i} \dots \mid Q_{n_{p_1}}^l \leq \dots \leq Q_{n_{p_i}}^l \leq \dots, n_{p_i} \in N\}$$

3. The initial service candidates set:

$$L_n = \{l_{p_1}, \dots, l_{p_i} \dots \mid G_{l_{p_i},1} = n, l_{p_i} \in S\}$$

The node priority: $|L_n|$



3.3 strategy

Algorithm 2 Service Priority Placement Algorithm

Input: Average delay Q ; node candidate set G ; service candidate set L ; attributes of nodes $\langle R_n, \Gamma_n \rangle$; attributes of services $\langle r_l, P_l \rangle$; service load distribution Φ ; Upper limit of replicas θ .

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1: while (!isEmpty(L)) do
2:    $e \leftarrow \operatorname{argmax}_{n \in N} |L_n|$ ;
3:   Order  $L_e = \{l_{p_1}, l_{p_2}, \dots, l_{p_k}\}$ , so that  $\Omega_{l_{p_i}} \geq \Omega_{l_{p_{i+1}}}, \forall i < k$ ;
4:   for each  $l_{p_i} \in L_e$  do
5:     if  $r_{l_{p_i}} \leq R_e$  then
6:        $x_{l_{p_i}, e} = 1$ ;
7:        $R_e \leftarrow R_e - r_{l_{p_i}}$ ;
8:        $P_{l_{p_i}} ++$ ;
9:     else
10:       $x_{l_{p_i}, e} = 0$ ;
11:    end if
12:    if  $P_{l_{p_i}} < \theta$  then
13:       $e' \leftarrow \operatorname{findNextNode}(G, l_{p_i}, e)$ ;
14:      update( $\Omega_{l_{p_i}}$ );
15:       $L_{e'} \leftarrow L_{e'} \cup l_{p_i}$ ;
16:    end if
17:  end for
18:  Clear( $L_e$ );
19: end while
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Output: Service placement strategy is X .

Service priority:

$$\Omega_{l,e} = \frac{\Delta Q_l + k_1 \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{|N|} \Phi_{l,n}}{Q_e^l + k_2 \cdot P_l}$$



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IV. Performance Evaluation



4.1 Comparison

Greedy algorithm:

place the service with the shortest latency on each node.

Non-loaded algorithm:

average delay: $Q_e'^l = \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{|N|} T_{e,n}^l}{|N|}$, service priority: $\Omega_{l,e}' = \frac{\Delta Q_l}{Q_e^l + k \cdot P_l}$

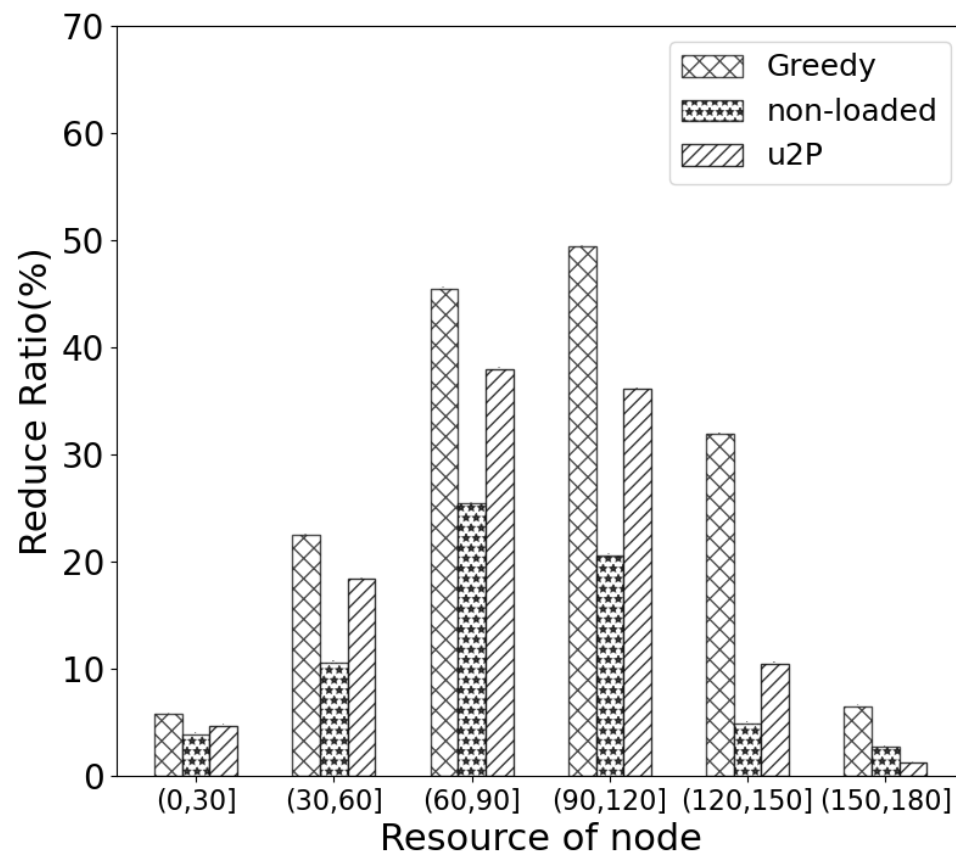
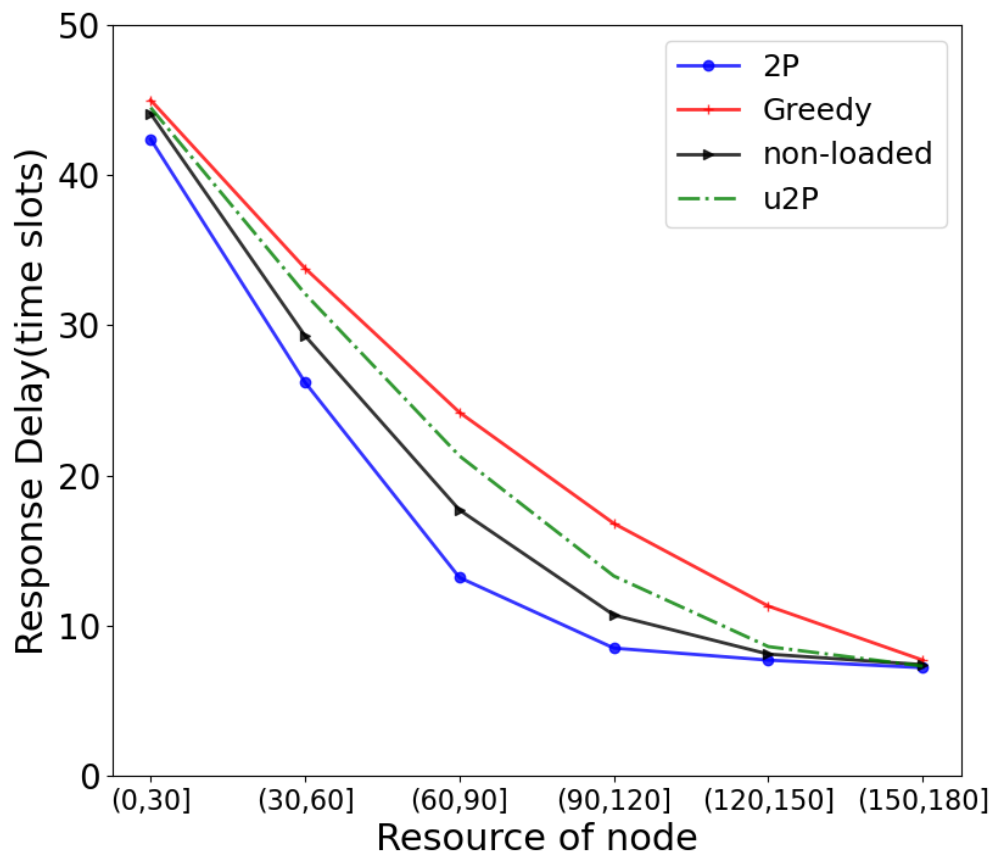
Unitary priority placement (u2p) algorithm:

$$\Omega_{l,e}'' = Q_e^l$$



4.2 Results

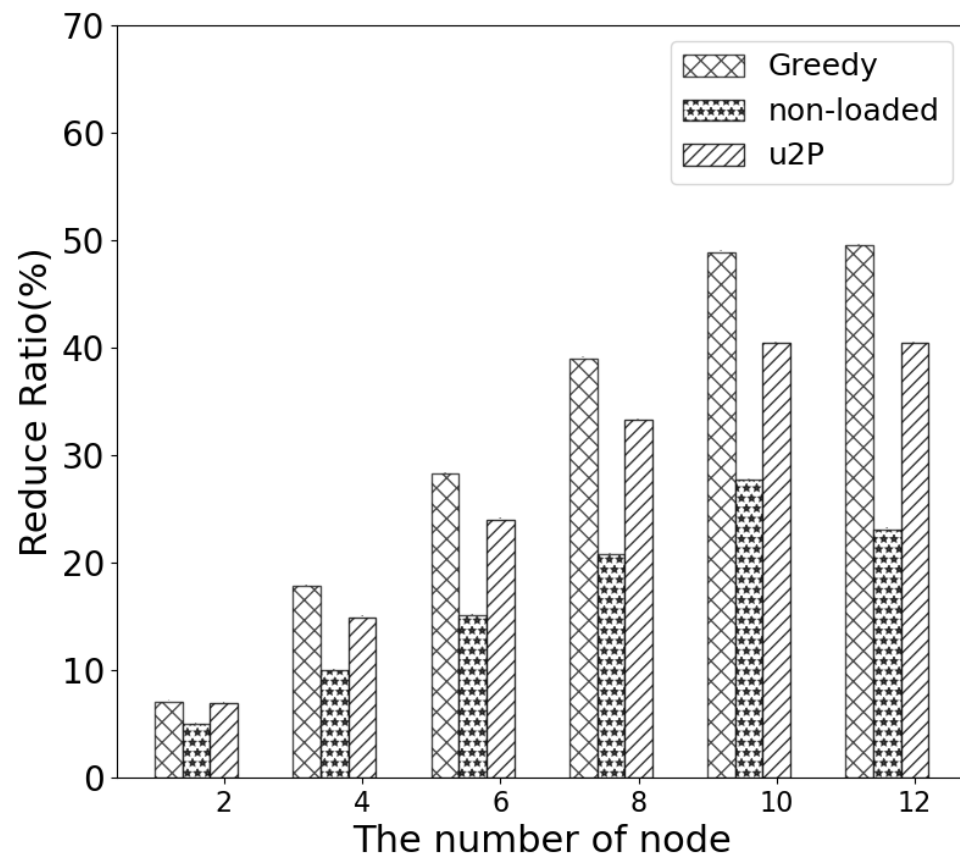
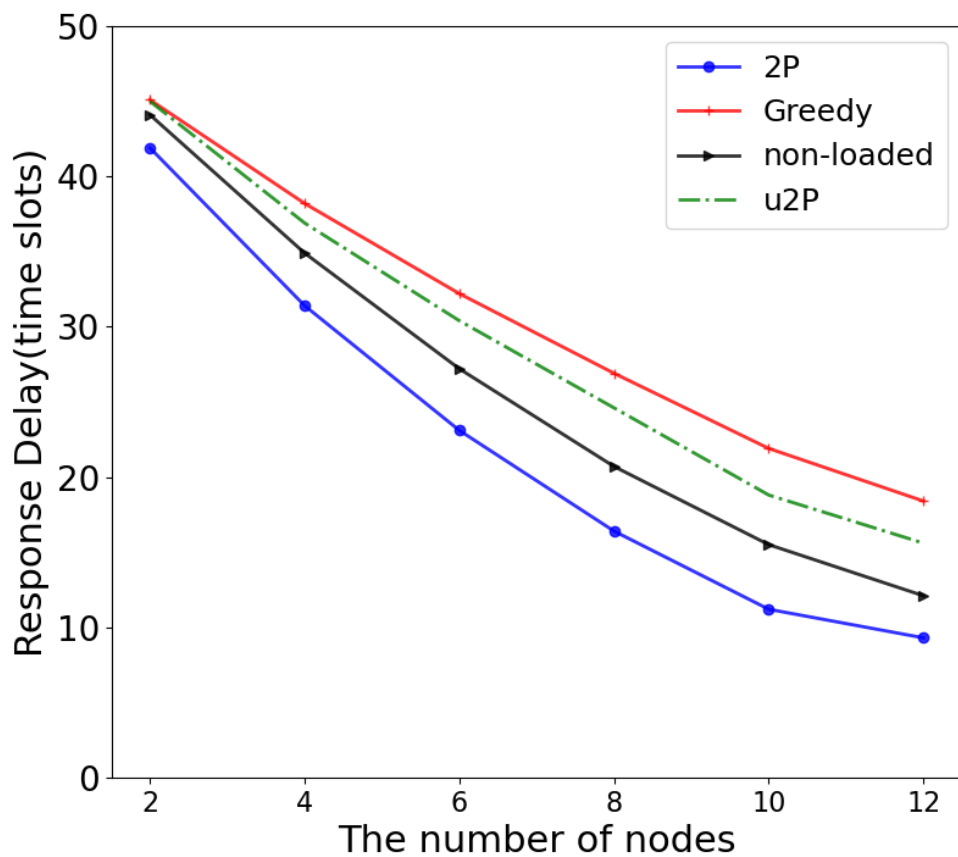
Test1: Change the resource of nodes R_n , where $\theta = 2$ and $N = 9$





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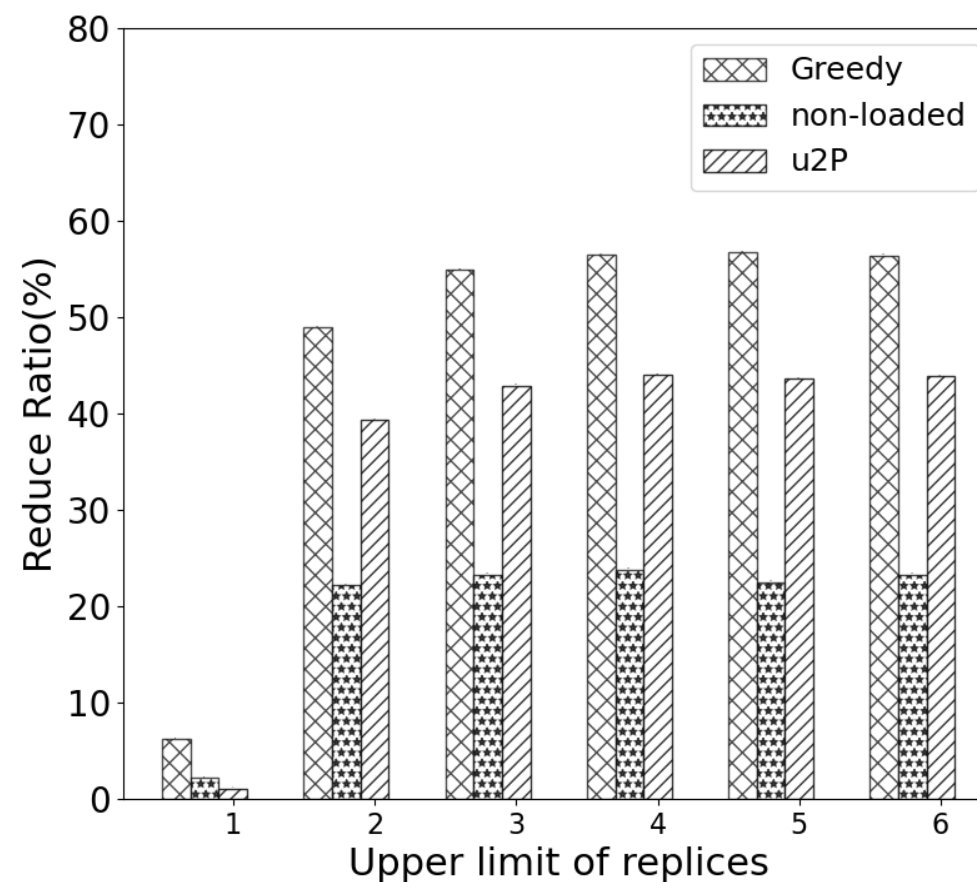
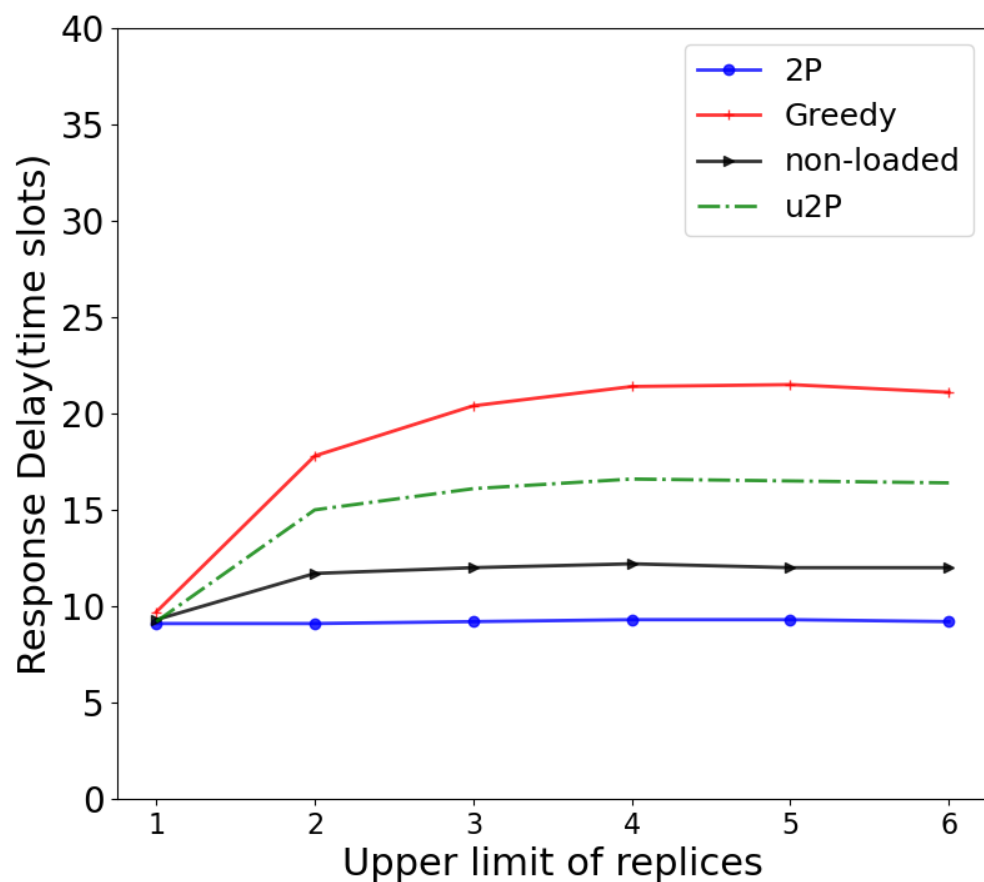
Test2: Change the number of nodes N , where $\theta = 2$ and $R_n \in [50,100]$





4.2 Results

Test3: Change the upper limit of service replicas θ , where $N = 12$ and $R_n \in [50,100]$





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V. Conclusion



5. Conclusion

- (1) Defined the priority of the nodes and services according to their contribution;
- (2) Propose a priority placement (2P) algorithm;
- (3) Conduct simulations and the results show that the 2P algorithm has better performance.



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