



# An Online Approach for DNN Model Caching and Processor Allocation in Edge Computing

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# Outlines

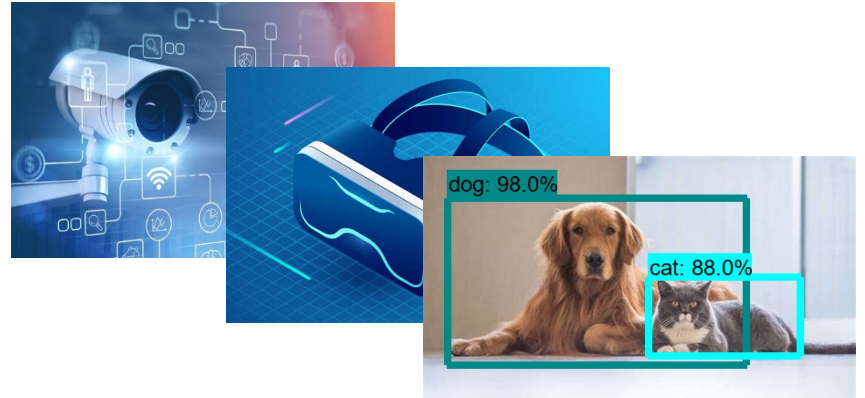
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# 1. Introduction

- Edge Computing

- object detection
- virtual reality
- intelligent cameras



- Deep Neural Networks (DNN) inference

- VGG, ResNet

- Cache DNN models on the edge brings benefits

- efficiency
- privacy
- security





# 1. Introduction

## ■ Motivation

- The difference between cloud and edge
  - Cloud: **high** computing capacity, **long** transmission delay
  - Edge: **short** transmission delay, **more** caching DNN cost
- Computing is fine-grained on the edge
  - **The number of processors** assigned to each service will affect the service delay
- The user request distribution for **mobility**
  - The user connection information that counts the history on each server can be obtained



## 2. Contributions

- Achieve the trade-off between **user perception delay** and **energy consumption cost**
  - consider DNN model caching and processor allocation in EC
  - **NP-Complete**
- Propose **a novel online algorithm** called DMCPA-GS-Online
  - leverages the **Lyapunov** framework
  - expanded edition of **Gibbs Sampling**
  - **near-optimal**
- Evaluate the performance of DMCPA-GS-Online
  - a trace dataset from the real world



# 3. Problem Formulation

- A user request will encounter two caching hit conditions:
  - Edge-Hit: directly processed by the edge
  - Cloud-Hit: forwarded to the cloud server

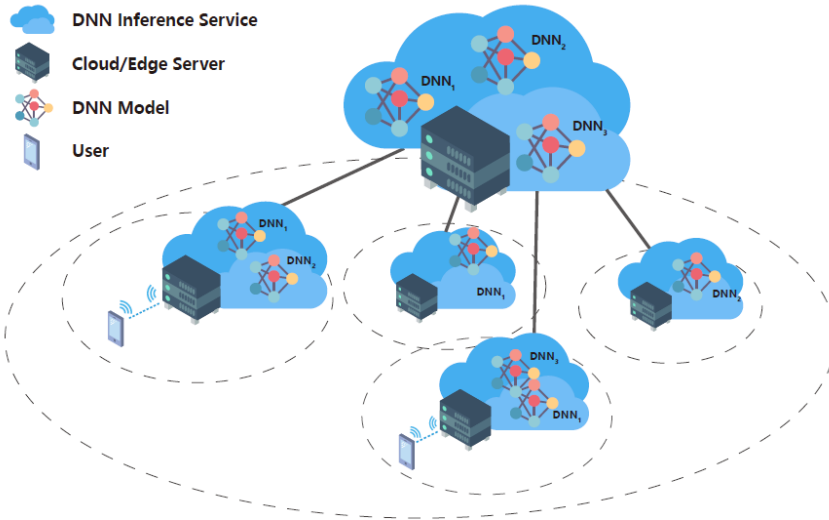


Fig. 1. An overview of our problem.

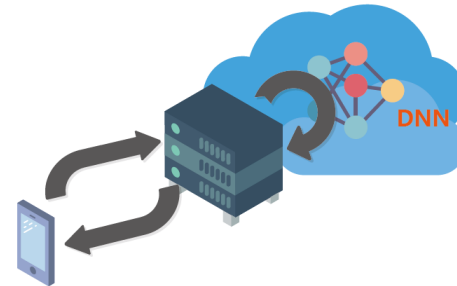


Fig. 2. Edge-Hit

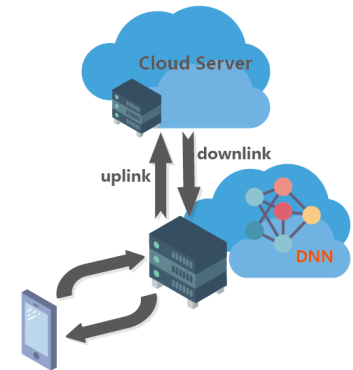


Fig. 3. Cloud-Hit

$$x_{i,j}(t) \in \{0,1\}$$

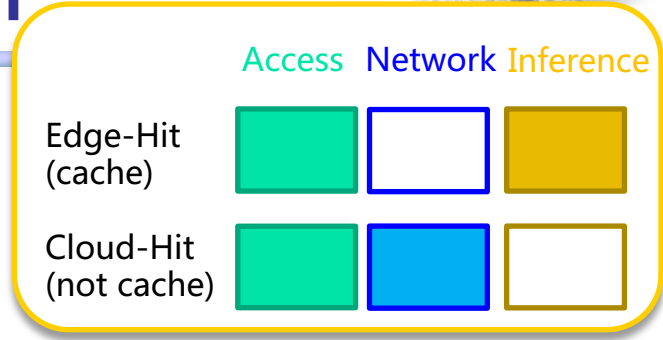
cache decision vector

$$y_{i,j}(t) \in \mathbb{Z}$$

processor allocation vector



# 3. Problem Formulation



## User Perception Delay

- Server Access Delay  $L_{k,i}^{acc}$

- Network Transmission Delay
  - cache: 0
  - not cache:  $L_{k,i}^{cloud} = \frac{d_k^{input}}{B_i^{cloud}} + L_{k,i}^{cloud\downarrow}$

- Model Inference Delay
  - cache:  $L_{k,i,j}^{edge} = \frac{\theta d_k^{input}(t)}{y_{i,j}(t)c_{i,j}}$
  - not cache: 0 or a constant

## Overall:

$$L_{k,i,j}(t) = L_{k,i}^{acc} + (1 - x_{i,j}(t))L_{k,i}^{cloud} + x_{i,j}(t) + L_{k,i,j}^{edge}$$

$$L_j^P(t) = \frac{1}{N_u} \sum_{U_k \in U} \sum_{S_i \in S} P_{k,i} L_{k,i,j}(t)$$

← introduce the user request distribution  $P_{k,i}$

$$T^d(t) = \sum_{M_j \in M} \max\{L_j^P(t) - D_j, 0\}$$

← violation punishment of QoS



# 3. Problem Formulation

- Energy Consumption Cost

- The consumption cost to maintain processors:  $e_{i,j}$
- The initialization cost for DNN model:  $a_j$

- Overall

$$T^e(t) = \sum_{S_i \in S} \sum_{M_j \in M} e_{i,j} y_{i,j} + a_j \max\{x_{i,j}(t) - x_{i,j}(t-1), 0\}$$

- The Total Cost

$$T(t) = \alpha T^d(t) + \beta T^e(t)$$





# 3. Problem Formulation

## ■ The Formal Definition of DMCPA

$$\mathcal{P}^0 : \min_{\forall t, x(t), y(t)} \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \mathbb{E}[\mathcal{T}(t)]$$

- s.t.  $C_1 : \mathcal{T}(t) = \alpha \mathcal{T}^d(t) + \beta \mathcal{T}^e(t),$   
 $C_2 : \sum_{M_j \in \mathbb{M}} x_{i,j}(t) w_j \leq W_i, \forall S_i \in \mathbb{S},$   
 $C_3 : \sum_{M_j \in \mathbb{M}} y_{i,j}(t) \leq \phi_i, \forall S_i \in \mathbb{S},$   
 $C_4 : x_{i,j}(t) \in \{0, 1\}, \forall S_i \in \mathbb{S}, \forall M_j \in \mathbb{M},$   
 $C_5 : y_{i,j}(t) \in \mathbb{Z}, \forall S_i \in \mathbb{S}, \forall M_j \in \mathbb{M},$   
 $C_6 : \min\{y_{i,j}(t), 0\} \leq x_{i,j}(t) \leq y_{i,j}(t),$   
 $C_7 : \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \mathbb{E}[L_j^P(t)] \leq D_j, \forall M_j \in \mathbb{M}.$

NP-Complete

This is a long-term average optimization problem



use Lyapunov framework



## 4. Algorithm Design

- Define the queues in each time slot:

$$Q_j(t+1) = \max \{Q_j(t) + L_j^P(t) - D_j, 0\}$$

- Define the quadratic Lyapunov function:

$$L(\Theta(t)) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_j Q_j(t)^2, \quad \text{let } \Theta(t) = [Q_1(t), \dots, Q_{N_m}(t)]$$

- Define the Lyapunov drift:

$$\Delta(\Theta(t)) = L(\Theta(t+1)) - L(\Theta(t))$$

Using Lyapunov drift, the drift-plus-penalty algorithm can be used, for the fact:

$$\Delta(\Theta(t)) \leq B + \sum_j Q_j(t)(L_j^{P,Q}(t) - D_j)$$



# 4. Algorithm Design

- The origin problem can be converted into a series of subproblems as:

$$\mathcal{P}^3 : \min_{\forall t, x(t), y(t)} \mathbb{E}[B + V \cdot \mathcal{T}(t) + \sum_j Q_j(t)(L_j^P(t) - D_j) | \Theta(t)]$$

$$s.t. \quad (C_1) - (C_6),$$

one time slot problem

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**Algorithm 1:** The DMCPA-GS-Online Algorithm

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**Input:**  $Q_j(0) \leftarrow 0, x^{prev}(0) \leftarrow 0$

**for**  $t = 0$  **to**  $T$  **do**

    receive  $d_k^{input}(t)$  from environment;

    update current distribution  $P$  from environment;

    get  $x^*(t), y^*(t)$  by solving  $\mathcal{P}^3$  using Alg. 2;

$x^{prev}(t + 1) \leftarrow x^*(t)$ ;

**for**  $M_j \in \mathbb{M}$  **do**

$Q_j(t + 1) \leftarrow \max\{Q_j(t) + L_j^P(t) - D_j, 0\}$ ;

**end**

**end**

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The algorithm for the subproblem

Based on Gibbs Sampling



## 4. Algorithm Design

- The expanded edition of Gibbs Sampling Algorithm for the subproblem
  1. initialize  $y$  randomly at the beginning
  2. compute the optimal caching strategy  $x$  based on  $y$
  3. jump from  $(x, y)$  to  $(x', y')$  with the probability:

$$\text{Pr} = \frac{1}{1 + e^{(T' - T)/\omega}}$$

The probability of getting the global optimal value close to 1 when  $w$  is close to 0

proved

4. repeat jump until converging



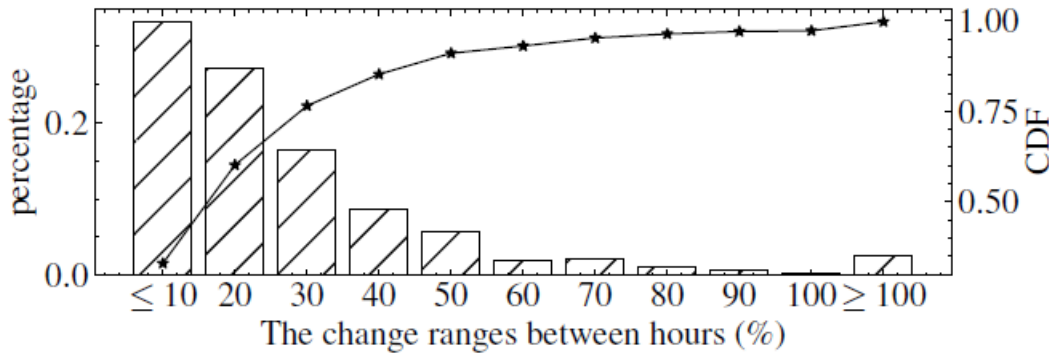
# 5. Evaluation

- Evaluation Setup
  - 5 edge servers
  - at least 200 users
  - P follows the trace of a dataset from the real world
  - $d_k^{input}$  follows Poisson distribution with expectation 100
  - $\phi_i$  is set to 20
  - $w_j$  follows  $N(10, 3)$  ,  $W_i$  is 300
  - set  $\alpha = \beta = 0.5$

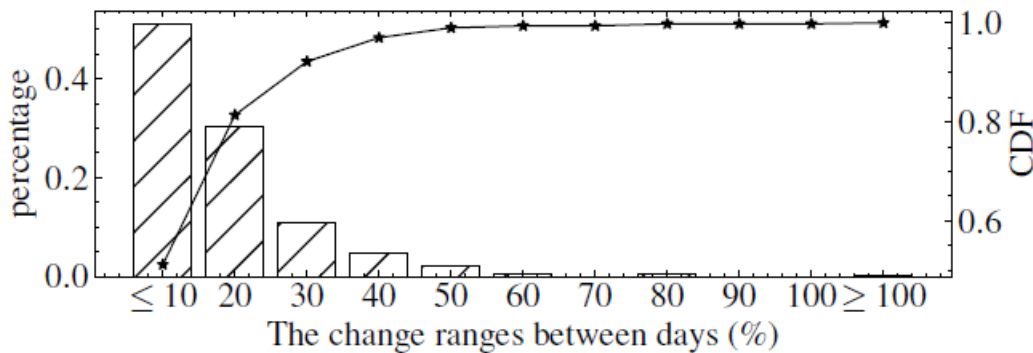


# 5. Evaluation

- Motivation



Dataset from the real world

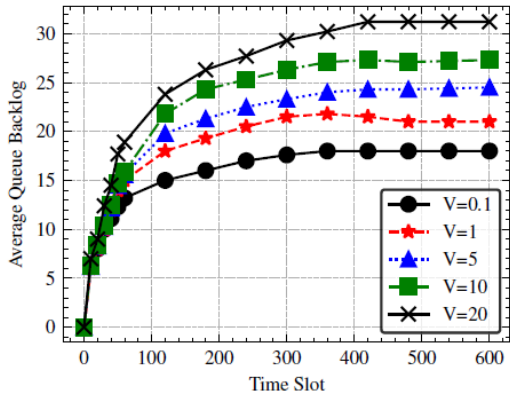


P is stable

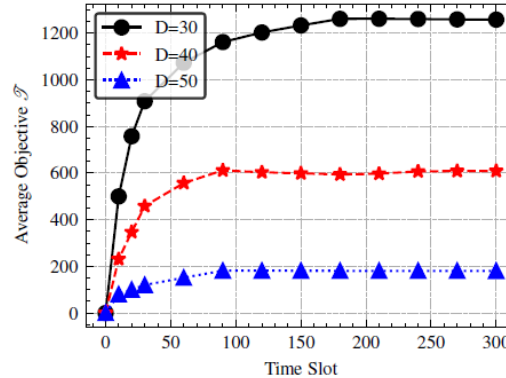
(a) The probability variation.



# 5. Evaluation



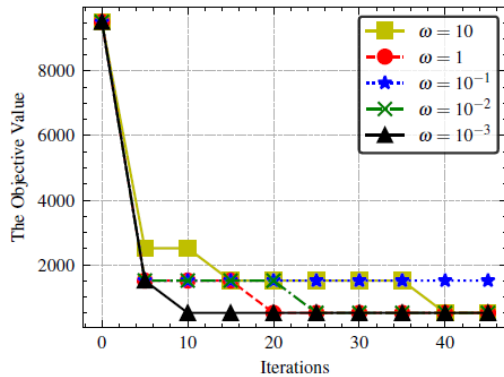
(b) The impact of  $V$ .



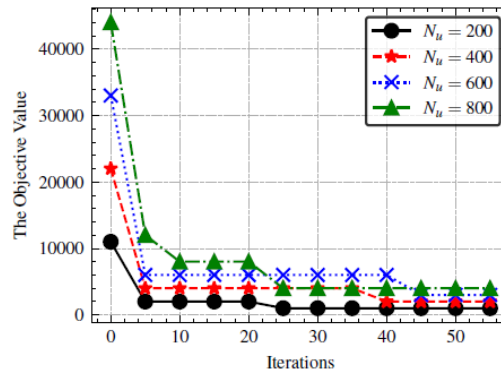
(c) The impact of  $D_j$ .

The impact of Lyapunov's parameter

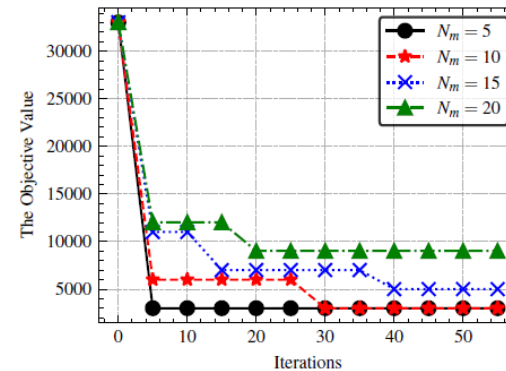
The impact of Gibbs Sampling's parameter



(a) The impact of  $\omega$ .



(b) The impact of user number.



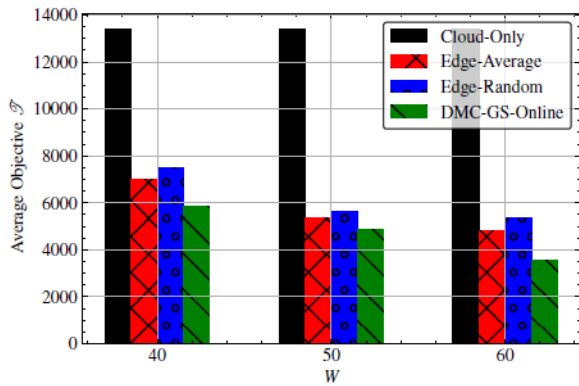
(c) The impact of model number.

Fig. 5. The impact of different parameters for DMCPA-GS.

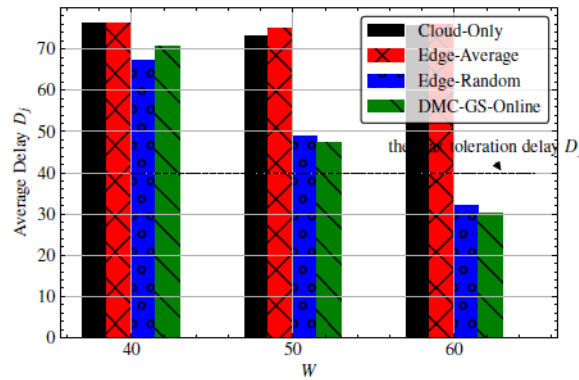
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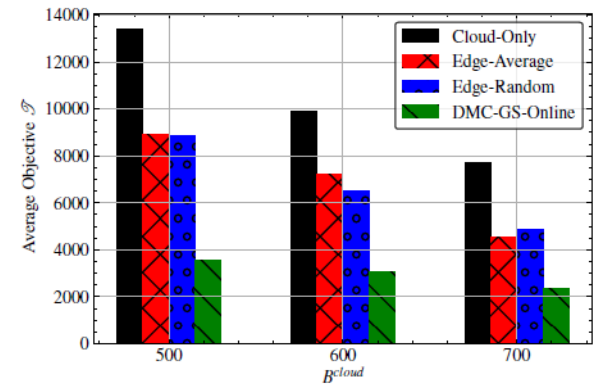
- Cloud-Only
- Edge-Average
- Edge-Random



(a) Average Objective  $\mathcal{T}$ .



(b) Average Delay  $D_j$ .



(c) Bandwidth  $B_i^{cloud}$ .

Fig. 6. The performance of different algorithms.





## 6. Conclusion

- We consider the DNN Model Caching and Processor Allocation problem.
- Our goal is to **minimize user perception delay and energy consumption** with careful model caching and processor allocation strategy.
- We formulate it as an **Integer Nonlinear Program** and the novel online algorithm **DMCPA-GS-Online** is proposed **without future information**.
- Experiments based on trace dataset from the real world demonstrate our algorithm **outperforms** other baselines.



Thanks!  
Q&A