

# A Brief Study On Pros And Cons Of Various Types Of Algorithms Involved In The Fog Computing

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**Abstract-** Fog computing is a distributed computing paradigm that extends cloud computing to the edge of the network, enabling faster and more efficient processing of data. In fog computing, data is processed at the network edge, closer to the source of the data, instead of being transmitted to a remote cloud server for processing. Fog computing algorithms are designed to address the unique challenges of processing data in a distributed environment. Fifteen journals from various sources had been selected to analyze various algorithms' pros and cons in order to make a comparison of the system that provides maximum accuracy in the processing time. These algorithms include load balancing algorithms, resource optimization algorithms, fault tolerance algorithms, and security algorithms, among others. From this study we find out the most algorithm that will make the fog computing more efficient. This study makes the researchers to make an advanced research in the field of Fog Computing algorithms to obtain 100% better solution.

**Keywords-** latency, Fog computing, edge devices, real-time processing

## I. INTRODUCTION

Fog computing emerged as a response to the limitations of cloud computing in addressing the increasing demand for real-time processing and low-latency applications. While cloud computing offers significant benefits in terms of scalability, cost-effectiveness, and ease of deployment, it is limited by the distance between the cloud data center and the end-user. This distance results in higher latency and slower response times, which can be problematic for applications that require real-time processing, such as industrial automation, smart cities, and autonomous vehicles. Fog computing algorithms are necessary to optimize the performance of fog computing systems. Fog computing involves processing data at the network edge, which presents unique challenges compared to traditional centralized computing models. Fog computing algorithms are necessary to allocate resources efficiently across the fog computing network, optimizing the use of processing power, storage, and network bandwidth. Without Fog computing algorithms, it

would be challenging to manage and scale. As the number of edge devices in the network increases, manual management of tasks and resources would become increasingly difficult, making it challenging to maintain the performance of the system. Fog computing algorithms are designed to address these challenges by optimizing the distribution of tasks across multiple edge devices, improving resource utilization, and reducing latency. The main purpose of these algorithms is to improve the performance of the system by distributing tasks and resources in an optimal way, enabling real-time processing of data, reducing latency, and improving the reliability of the system.

## II. LITERATURE REVIEW

Table 1 provides a review of the research conducted in various years based on the algorithm used in the Fog Computing.

S.no	Year	Author	Proposed Algorithm	Pros	Cons
1	2019	X. Wang, W. Zhang, and Z. Guo	Deep Reinforcement Learning [1]	The proposed DRL-based approach achieves higher task scheduling efficiency than traditional methods, such as the first-come-first-serve (FCFS) algorithm. This is because DRL can learn from past experiences and make more informed decisions about task scheduling. The DRL-based approach can improve resource utilization by making more efficient use of available resources, such as CPU and memory.	The proposed approach is evaluated on a small-scale fog computing testbed with a few fog nodes and tasks. The DRL model proposed in the paper is trained using a specific set of fog computing scenarios and workload distributions. Therefore, the approach may require retraining and fine-tuning for each new scenario or workload.
2	2018	Xiaohui Liu, Qinghua Wu, and Bo Li	Energy-Efficient Task Offloading Algorithm [2]	The algorithm is designed to minimize the energy consumption of fog nodes by balancing the workload across the fog nodes and minimizing the communication overhead. This resulted in significant energy savings, especially in large-scale fog computing environments. The algorithm is scalable and can handle large numbers of tasks and fog nodes.	The performance of algorithm and changes often dependent on specific parameters and assumptions. Changes in parameters or assumptions can lead to different outcomes. The evaluation of proposed algorithm and changes often limited to specific use cases and scenarios. The proposed algorithm only focuses on energy-efficient task offloading and does not consider other aspects of fog computing, such as reliability, security, or cost-effectiveness.
3	2020	Yun Zhou, Zhongming Zhao, and Yuesheng Ji	Congestion Detection Algorithm [3]	The algorithm is designed to detect traffic congestion in real-time, which is crucial for managing traffic flow and preventing accidents. The algorithm uses machine learning techniques to analyze traffic data and identify congestion patterns. This approach is more effective than traditional rule-based algorithms, as it can adapt to changing traffic conditions. The algorithm is scalable, which means it can be easily adapted to different traffic scenarios and scaled up or down based on the volume of traffic.	The algorithm proposed in the paper may only work for specific types of traffic congestion scenarios and may not generalize well to other scenarios. This limitation could be due to the difference in traffic patterns, infrastructure, and weather conditions that can affect traffic congestion. The paper may not have addressed how to evaluate the generalizability of the algorithm or how to adapt it to different scenarios.
4	2020	S. Sangeetha and R. Narayanan	Fuzzy Logic-Based Resource Management Algorithm [4]	The fuzzy logic-based algorithm can optimize the use of resources by dynamically allocating resources based on the current workload and demand. This can help ensure that resources are used efficiently, reducing wasted	Fuzzy logic-based algorithms deal with imprecise and uncertain data, which can make them less reliable than deterministic algorithms. Fuzzy logic-based

				resources and lowering costs. The algorithm can be applied to fog computing environments of varying sizes, making it a potentially scalable solution for resource management in fog computing.	algorithms can be more complex than traditional algorithms, requiring more resources to execute and leading to longer processing times.
5	2018	Xiaoliang Wang, Feng Xia, Zhenfu Cao	Secure Data Storage Scheme[5]	The proposed scheme provides enhanced security by encrypting the data before it is transmitted to the fog nodes. The fog nodes are located closer to the devices and can process data locally, thereby reducing the distance that the data has to travel.	The proposed scheme involves multiple layers of encryption and decryption, which could make it difficult to implement and maintain. Data processed and stored in multiple fog nodes, there may be some latency involved in accessing and retrieving data.
6	2018	Shuiguang Deng, Kecheng Liu, and Xiaohong Jiang	Distributed Machine Learning Algorithm[6]	The use of fog nodes allows for faster processing of machine learning tasks as the data can be processed locally without the need for it to be sent to the cloud for processing. Machine learning tasks can improve privacy and security, as sensitive data can be processed locally without the need for it to be sent to the cloud.	The paper provides experimental evaluation of the proposed algorithm, the evaluation is limited to a single dataset and a single fog computing environment.
7	2019	Yan Guo, Jianxiong Zhang, and Jianqing Li	Particle Swarm Optimization [7]	The PSO algorithm used in the proposed algorithm has fast convergence, which means that it can quickly find optimal solutions. The proposed algorithm minimizes the energy consumption of fog nodes during data transmission.	While particle swarm optimization (PSO) is a powerful optimization technique, the proposed algorithm's accuracy may be limited by the quality of the initial population and the search space. The proposed algorithm would scale up in complex fog computing systems, and how it would perform under high traffic loads.
8	2019	Xiaoxu Ma, Tingting Cui, and Hui Tian	Novel Task Scheduling Algorithm[8]	The proposed algorithm can efficiently utilize the resources available in a heterogeneous fog computing system. It takes into account the processing capabilities of different devices and allocates tasks accordingly. It can handle a large number of tasks and devices without compromising on performance. The proposed algorithm is fault-tolerant and can handle device failures or network disruptions.	The algorithm may only be applicable to a specific type of heterogeneous fog computing system or a particular set of parameters. Its optimality or fairness in other scenarios or environments. The algorithm may require significant computational resources, such as processing power, memory, or storage.
9	2019	Fang-Yie Leu and Chia-Mei Chen	Game-Theoretic Approach to Resource Allocation[9]	The proposed game-theoretic approach allows for efficient resource allocation in fog computing environments, where computing resources are distributed across various devices in a network. The game-theoretic approach is scalable and can be applied to large-scale fog computing environments. It can handle a large number of devices and resources.	The proposed game-theoretic model assumes that all fog nodes have the same capabilities, which is not always true in real-world scenarios. Some fog nodes may have different capabilities or resources.
				scale fog computing environments. It can handle a large number of devices and can allocate resources efficiently even in complex and dynamic networks.	resource or higher processing power than others, which may result in unfair resource allocation. Some fog nodes may behave selfishly and prioritize their own interests over the interests of the system. In such cases, the proposed approach may not work as expected and may lead to inefficient resource allocation.
10	2019	Wei Li, Li Li, and Peng Liu	Hybrid Energy-Aware Algorithm [10]	The algorithm is designed to optimize resource consumption in fog computing systems. It takes into account the energy status of IoT devices, the computing capabilities of fog nodes, and the communication cost between them. The algorithm takes into account the computing capabilities of fog nodes and their proximity to IoT devices. By prioritizing fog nodes that are closer to IoT devices and have higher computing capabilities, the algorithm reduces latency in data processing and improves response times.	The proposed algorithm is only applicable to fog computing in the context of the Internet of Things (IoT). Hence, its applicability to other domains may be limited. Its accuracy or performance may be affected by the number of devices and fog nodes increases.
11	2017	Qishan Jianjun Yang, and Yan Zhang	Efficient Resource Allocation Algorithm [11]	The algorithm optimizes resource allocation in fog computing environments by taking into account the processing capabilities of fog nodes, the communication cost between nodes, and the energy consumption of fog nodes. The algorithm considers the energy consumption of fog nodes and tries to allocate tasks to nodes that have a lower energy consumption rate. This reduces the overall energy consumption of the system and increases its energy efficiency.	The paper focuses only on resource allocation for fog computing in 5G networks. It does not consider other important factors such as security, privacy, and fault tolerance. The paper makes several assumptions and simplifications, such as assuming that all fog nodes have the same processing capabilities and ignoring the impact of network delay, which may limit the generalizability of the proposed algorithm.
12	2019	Jie Xu, Kai Wang, Yuxia Li, and Guangxing Wang	QoS-Aware Resource Allocation Algorithm [12]	The algorithm optimizes resource allocation in fog computing environments by taking into account the overall resource usage while meeting the QoS requirements of all applications.	Fog nodes may be vulnerable to cyber attacks, and sensitive data may be compromised if appropriate security measures are not in place.
13	2019	Qianqian Feng, Yuying Hu, and Shuo Feng	Dynamic Resource Allocation Algorithm [13]	By allocating resources dynamically based on the needs of applications, the proposed algorithm can improve application performance, reduce latency, and increase throughput. Resources are used efficiently and effectively, which can lead to improved application performance and reduced resource consumption.	The proposed algorithm involves frequent communication between edge devices and the fog, which could result in increased network overhead and latency.
14	2020	Jie Xu, Kai Wang, Xuhua Li	Task Offloading Algorithm [14]	The proposed algorithm reduces the communication overhead between the edge devices and the cloud. It can handle large numbers of edge devices and fog nodes without significantly impacting system performance. It can adapt to changing conditions and learn from past experiences.	The proposed algorithm relies on several simplified assumptions about the fog computing environment, such as homogeneous nodes, fog nodes and task location times that follow specific distributions. The algorithm may not be suitable or optimal for more complex fog computing environments.
15	2020	Jie Xu, Kai Wang, Xuhua Li	Load Balancing Algorithm [15]	The algorithm balances the load across fog nodes by redistributing tasks from overloaded nodes to underloaded nodes. This prevents any single node from becoming overloaded and ensures that all nodes are utilized efficiently. The algorithm reduces the response time of IoT devices by dynamically adjusting the location of computing resources.	The proposed algorithm is designed for use in small-scale IoT environments and may not be suitable for larger, more complex systems. This could limit its usefulness in certain applications.

### III. CONCLUSION

Analysis of various journal papers in detecting the pros and cons of various Fog computing algorithms and techniques is the main purpose of this proposed work. This investigation will be very much helpful for the beginners and new researchers to make a new revolution in Fog Computing technique

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