Adaptive Sharing Algorithm - Mini 3

This project implements an adaptive sharing algorithm that incorporates multi-metric evaluation, exponential smoothing, and hysteresis-based decision making to achieve optimal weight based request distribution.

Algorithm Design and Implementation

The algorithm maintains a evaluation of system state through multiple metrics including queue size, CPU usage, memory utilization, and request arrival rate. These metrics are combined using dynamically adjusted weights to compute a comprehensive load score:

System Parameters and Configuration

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def calculate_load_score(self, queue_size, cpu_usage, memory_usa
    new_load = W_QUEUE * queue_size + W_CPU * cpu_usage +
    W_MEMORY * memory_usage + W_RATE * request_rate
    self.smoothed_load = self.ALPHA * new_load + (1 - self.ALPHA
    return self.smoothed_load
```

To prevent rapid oscillations in decision making, the algorithm employs a hysteresis-based approach with two distinct thresholds (1.5 and 1.2 times the average neighbor load). This creates a buffer zone that ensures stability in the system's forwarding decisions. The implementation uses exponential smoothing ($\alpha = 0.6$) to further stabilize load calculations and prevent reactions to temporary spikes.

One aspect of our implementation is the fairness-aware neighbor selection process. When forwarding is necessary, the algorithm selects the optimal neighbor based on a combination of current load, historical reliability, and network proximity:

Performance Analysis and Results

Testing with 600 requests demonstrated the algorithm's effectiveness in achieving balanced load distribution. After injecting the primary server successfully processed 52.2% of requests locally while forwarding 47.8% to neighboring servers (topology aware). The distribution between secondary servers showed remarkable balance, with a 49.5%/50.5% split of forwarded requests.

Calculation Using Jain's Formula (Injecting to 1 server in the network of 2 servers)

JFI = (sum of values)² / (n * sum of squared values)

1. Sum of values = 142 + 145 + 313 = 600
2. Square of sum = 600^2 = 360,000
3. Sum of squares = 142^2 + 145^2 + 313^2 = 139,158
4. n * sum of squares = 3 ∗ 139,158 = 417,474

   JFI = 360,000 / 417,474 = 0.862

The implementation achieved a Jain's Fairness Index of 0.82, significantly exceeding the 0.67 threshold for a three-server system. This high fairness index demonstrates the algorithm's ability to maintain equitable resource utilization across the network.

System stability metrics showed consistent performance:

- Load score volatility remained within ±0.15

Adaptive Mechanisms and Fairness Considerations

The algorithm addresses fairness through multiple dimensions. Resource fairness is maintained through balanced consideration of CPU, memory, and queue metrics. Temporal fairness is achieved through the hysteresis mechanism that prevents rapid state changes and ensures consistent response times. Spatial fairness is considered through the network proximity calculations in neighbor selection.

The adaptive weight adjustment mechanism ensures the system responds to changing conditions:

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def adjust_weights(self, queue_size, cpu_usage, memory_usage, re
    total = queue_size + cpu_usage + memory_usage + request_rate
    if total == 0: return
    W_QUEUE = queue_size / total
    W_CPU = cpu_usage / total
    W_MEMORY = memory_usage / total
    W_RATE = request_rate / total
```

Implementation Details

The system is implemented using Python with gRPC for inter-server communication. The architecture follows a modular design with separate components for metric collection, load calculation, decision making, and request handling. Inter-server communication is handled asynchronously, with metrics shared every 2 seconds to maintain current system state awareness.

Key system parameters were carefully tuned based on experimental results:

- Smoothing factor (α) = 0.6
- Upper forwarding threshold = 1.5
- Lower forwarding threshold = 1.2
- Metric weights initially set to: Queue (40%), CPU (30%), Memory (20%), Request Rate (10%)

Limitations and Future Improvements

While the current implementation demonstrates strong performance, however algorithm could benefit from more sophisticated network distance calculations and hop count considerations.

Conclusion

Our implementation successfully addresses the core requirements of Mini 3, delivering an adaptive sharing algorithm. The high fairness index (0.82) and stable

performance metrics demonstrate the algorithm's success in maintaining equitable resource utilization while adapting to changing system conditions.