Green Cloud Computing

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***Abstract*— As the demand for cloud infrastructure grows, so does energy consumption. The greed for power has resulted in a significant increase in the environment's carbon emissions. The ever-increasing demand for energy is primarily due to the growth of data centres with multiple servers as well as other infrastructural facilities. As a result of the increased use and adoption of Cloud Computing, green energy practices have become a concern. Hence, green cloud computing focuses on the research and development of energy-efficient methods that are less harmful to the environment. As a result, there is a need to investigate various techniques for reducing cloud energy consumption, as well as the development of an algorithm to reduce it. This paper is to investigate cloud-based energy-saving approaches and discuss about advantages and disadvantages of Green Cloud Computing.**

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I. Introduction

For a variety of reasons, cloud computing has become a critical infrastructural requirement for an organization. However, rising demand had also contributed to increased power usage, which has increased the carbon output of the environment. Large number of servers and other components will be required because more data centres are introduced to an organisational realms to empower complete operation. Because it causes severe environmental damage, the concept of green cloud computing appears appropriate for such modern and future scenarios.

The cloud is much more than a term for the Web; while the Internet is indeed a foundation for the cloud, it is also more than that. Cloud services are available as public or private resources, each of which serves different needs:

- Public cloud
- Private cloud
- Hybrid cloud

Cloud computing provides organisations with setup, phase, and coding that are available to customers as membership-based administrations.

Infrastructure as a Service (laaS), Platform as a Service (PaaS), and Software as a Service (SaaS) are terms used in the industry to describe such administrations.

Cloud computing is the delivery of shared assets, programming, and data to PCs as well as other devices on a pay-as-you-go basis rather than as a system [1].

The several cloud providers, including Google, Yahoo, and IBM, are speedily launching data centres across the globe. These data centres are also not expensive, and they're also environmentally damaging. The green computing idea, that further manages data centre resources in an energy-efficient manner, is introduced to tackle this issue.

As a result, Green cloud computing services help you save money on both energy and operations.

The term 'Green Cloud Computing,' which combines the terms green and cloud computing, means that it is eco-friendly. The objective is to lower energy usage and also waste sent off to landfills. [2]

Green technology that allows users to benefit from cloud storage while lowering its adverse environmental impacts, which has an impact on human health. It consists of the following practises:

Green design: Energy-efficient facilities, computer systems, software products, as well as other devices are included in the cloud infrastructure design, which are using less energy than their competition.

Green usage: When using a cloud-based service, it reduces the energy generated by 27%. [3].

Green computing refers to the need for PCs and associated resources such as physical hosts, virtual machines, and CPUs in an eco-friendly manner.

Green computing can be confronted in a variety of ways, including:

- Dynamic Voltage and Frequency Scaling (DVFS)
- Nano Data centres

- Virtualization
- Energy Efficient Hybrid Policy
- Utilization Prediction Aware VM Consolidation
- Anti-Correlated VM Placement

Data is stored in data centres, just like in cloud computing. Data centres use more energy, resulting in higher CO2 emissions. As a result, the development of cloud computing has resulted in data centres that consume a lot of energy. With high power utilisation and CO2 discharge, global warming has recently become a major concern. Because energy has been a major concern in general, the significance of green cloud computing, which provides methods and calculations to reduce energy consumption, has grown [1].

II. Related Study

In [4], presents their preliminary findings from profiling virtual machines in relation to three energy measurements: energy, power efficiency, and power, across a range of high computing workflows. They developed a linear model that depicts the behaviour of a particular work device and accounts for the quality of different elements like the Central processing unit, memory, and hard disk drive to the power consumed of a specific work device. Their findings may be used to create a power categorization subsystem for cluster measurement techniques; a future Green Clouds energy-aware scheduling algorithm may use this monitoring system that supports optimal design.

In [5], they test the impact of VM and host recourses usage projections in the VM consolidation task using real workload traces. Their methodology surpasses other optimization algorithm in decreasing energy usage, the number of VM placement, and the amount of SLA violations, according to the results of their experiments.

In [6], A client-oriented Green Cloud Middleware is introduced as part of an Integrated Green Cloud Cloud Architecture (IGCA) to assist the management in better supervising and customising their total access to digital services in the best or most energy-efficient ways. The middleware uses predefined software requirements such as service level agreements (SLAs), quality of service (QoS), design standards, and job roles given by the IT department to smartly manage the action of whether to use local machine handling, private clouds or public clouds. The feasibility of ensuring optimal energy usage while choosing between local, private, and public cloud service providers is illustrated using an analytical model.

According to [7], Due to the evolving nature of cloud services, one of the biggest challenges for VM placement methodologies is precisely forecasting future resource requirements.

Moreover, regardless of the fact that they may have the capacity to boost selections, placement strategies on co-located resource utilization are rarely considered. This paper evaluates the most broadly utilised predictive model and presents a predictive anti-correlated VM placement strategy using real workload indications. Our evidence based experiments demonstrated that the proposed approach saves 18 percent more energy than some of the most commonly used placement policies while also lowering service breaches by over 47 percent.

III. Proposed approach

Hardware device production, software methods, public understanding, and standard policies are the 4 stages to achieving green computing.

Green cloud computing methodologies include:

Virtualisation: It is a cloud computing feature that allows the administration of VMs while also improving energy efficiency via stronger shared resources. Through interactive transition, it facilitates the transfer of physical resources, enhances resource usage, and increases accessibility. Through the hypervisor, it is possible to run multiple operating system instances at the same time. Virtual machines are these situations, which all operated on same physical server and have their own operating system and hosted screening systems. Several physical servers are combined into a single server, virtualisation allows for higher hardware utilisation rates while also lowering costs.

Dynamic Voltage and Frequency Scaling (DVFS): DVFS allows energy usage to be reduced while efficiency is increased. The whole strategy uses an electronic clock whose frequency band is synched with the power supply, and it save the very little power when compared to other techniques. To save power, DVFS allows processors to run at various combinations of frequencies and voltage.

Anti-Correlated VM Placement: Consider the relationship between migrating VMs as an important factor in optimising resource utilisation. It is widely accepted that VM workloads have dynamically changing resource requirements over time as the number of user requests changes. This gives us two different aspects of the placement problem to think about. To begin, resource utilisation can potentially be improved by grouping highly complementary VMs based on their aggregated CPU requirements, as CPU is one of the most dominant factors in energy [7].

Nano Data Centres: A nano data centre is a cloud based platform that uses significantly less energy than traditional data centres. It is built on the idea of having a bunch of smaller data centres scattered topographically and linked, instead of the traditional data centres, which are bigger in scale and lesser in number and utilise up to 30% more energy [8].

Energy Efficient Hybrid Policy: To decrease energy usage in the cloud data centre, we can use kinds of strategies. The suggested scheme identifies a wiser option setup for the virtual machine to be migrated, as well as an ability to determine which server will be selected for virtual machine redeployment. Which virtual machine is chosen for relocation and which host is selected to shift that virtual machine will be decided by the hybrid VM selection strategy and low usage host selection strategy [1].

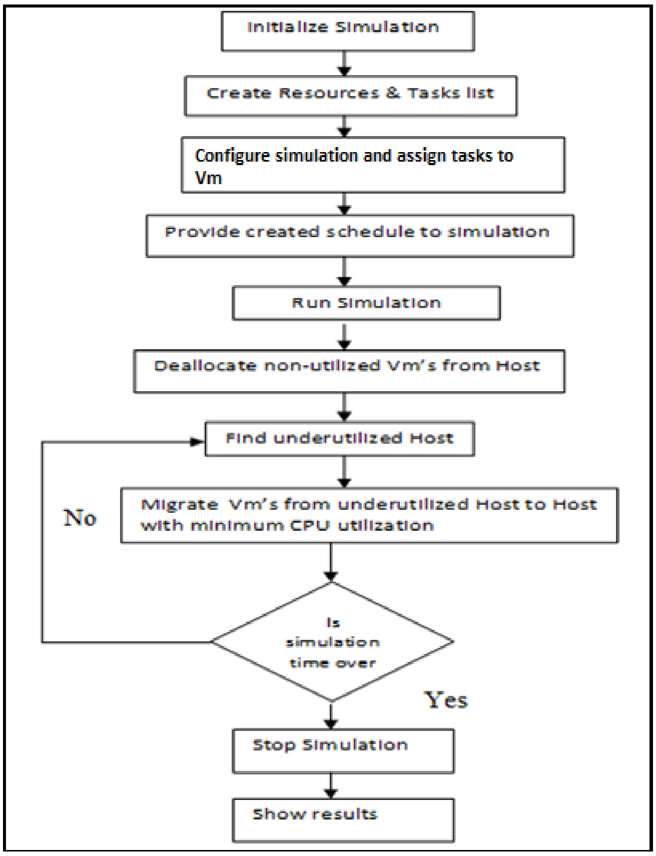

Fig 1: Flow chart of Energy Efficient Hybrid Approach

Utilization Prediction Aware VM Consolidation Approach: Utilization Prediction-aware Best Fit Decreasing (UP-BFD) is a dynamic VM consolidation approach that optimises placement of virtual machines (VMs) based on present and projected resource requirements.

By issuing cold spots, the UP-BFD algorithm shifts VMs from least-loaded hosts (cold spots) to most-loaded hosts (hot spots), lowering data centre energy usage. None are shifted if all VMs in the coldest spot are incapable to shift to other hosts. As an outcome, VM relocations that do not result in the release of a cold spot will be skipped, letting us to remove VM relocations that aren't required. Because allocating a VM to a host demands that same proportion of host resources, a good VM consolidation methodology should take this into consideration. It means that when deciding on VM placement, the ratio of resource usage in every host should be taken into account.

Which VMs should be migrated from one host to another is decided by the UP-BFD algorithm. Its primary objective is to shift a heavily loaded VM among all the VMs on a host. The fact that larger VMs are more difficult to integrate into other hosts. Lv, the load of the VM v, is defined as

$$Lv = RCPU(v) + RMEM(v)$$

$$RCPU(v) = UCPU(v)\ CCPU(v)$$

RMEM(v) = UMEM(v) CMEM(v),

RCPU(v) and RMEM(v) are the CPU and memory utilisation of the VM v, respectively. The VM v's demanded CPU and memory utilisation is represented by UCPU(v) and UMEM(v), while the VM's total CPU and memory usage is represented by CCPU(v) and CMEM(v) [5].

IV. ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES

There are numerous **advantages** to using green cloud computing. Let's take a look at what the advantages of green computing are?

Conserving Energy by Green Cloud Computing:

In 2013, Google sponsored a venture to assess cloud computing's energy use and carbon output. As a result of this new project, the quantity of steady power absorbed by common software programmes like worksheets, email, and CRM platforms is decreased by 87 percent.

Cloud computing has lowered power usage to a certain level. Servers were previously stored in server rooms and needed a constant supply of power to function. Power was necessary to guarantee that the coolers, like the servers, did not overheat. As servers and coolers reach the end of their useful lives, they must be discarded. The amount of hardware on that is reduced, as is the amount of power spent, with cloud computing. Green computing and cloud computing have the goal of lowering power usage even more [9].

Remote working reduces the environment's carbon footprint:

Among the most significant features we consult with organizations when it comes to Cloud computing is the potential for their employees to work from wherever. The productivity growth that this functionality carries is mainly promoted, however there is a serious environment advantage to allowing more workers in your entire organisation. Because remote workers don't have to travel to work every day, the number of cars on the road reduces the amount of gas emission emitted into the atmosphere. You can also decrease your real estate impact on the planet by employing remote workers. You can get ahead with the much relatively small office and use less energy [9].

Going Paperless with Green Cloud Computing:

The Cloud is a secure location to keep your data. The accessing your content at any time and the additional backup functionality that assures the data is not erased out if anything happens to your hard drive.

From the other side, green cloud computing had also facilitated numerous businesses to really go paperless. With the advent of Cloud storage options such as Google Drive, going paperless has reached new heights of functionality for businesses. You can also eliminate the need to publish papers with using secure Cloud-based technology like Adobe Sign. With some clicks of a mouse, you could indeed send, sign, and store agreements and official papers using green cloud computing tools [9].

Disadvantages of Green Cloud Computing are:

Performance: In addition to functional efficiency and connectivity, green businesses are often assumed to be insufficient. This really is particularly the case if it is not applied correctly. Businesses that focus on super computers may see a significant drop in employees performance, which will affect the business performance.

Implementation Cost: Regardless of the fact that green computing saves money over the long term, numerous companies are cautious to shift because of the high initial investments. Putting in place a green computing system takes a lot of time and research, both of which are expensive. As a result, the system costs more than a standard version.

Security Leaks: While utilising a green computing device, there are several massive security issues. Employees working for green computing companies regularly switch out his\her workspaces and other devices. As a result, lots of new security flaws emerges. As a result, companies should indeed take preventive measures to avoid problems like this[10].

V. CONCLUSION

In this paper, we have discussed about various approaches for achieving green cloud computing like a dynamic virtual machine (VM) consolidation approach that uses a utilisation prediction model to avoid extra VM relocations and reduce SLA violations, an Integrated Green Cloud Architecture with an Interoperability element that allows corporate executives to proficiently manage work activities operation in aspects of low energy usage to private or public clouds, or simply based on user request, and proposed an energy-efficient hybrid method for limiting cloud enabled expenses We would not only satisfy the basic performance demand, but we'll also guarantee the level of service provided to users by reducing Service Level Agreement violations. We've discussed benefits and drawbacks of Green Cloud Computing.

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