



Performance Evaluation with EdgeCloudSim

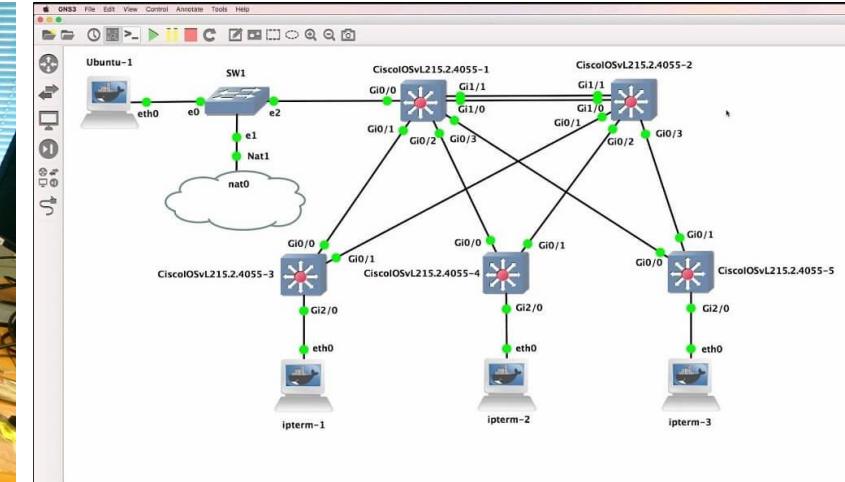
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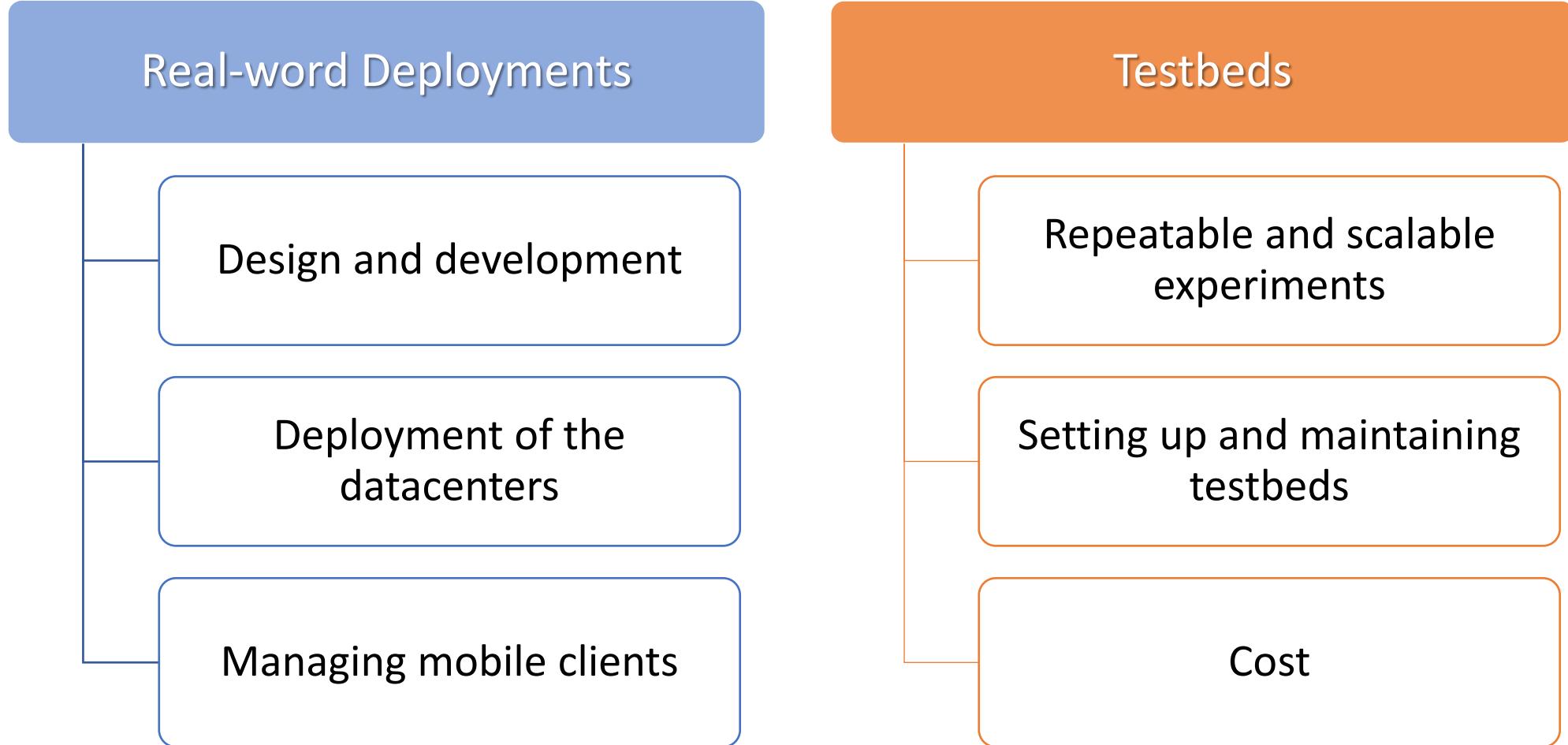
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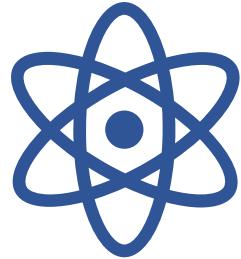
Reality, Testbeds, Simulators



Motivation of Using Simulators

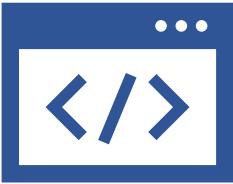


Methods of Performance Evaluation



Emulators

- Duplicates all the software, hardware, and operating systems of a real device
- Emulators are more reliable and suitable for debugging
- However, emulators usually runs slow



Simulators

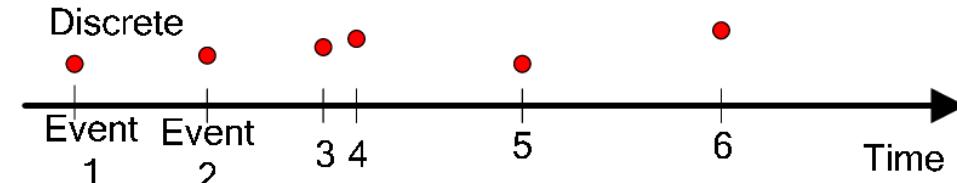
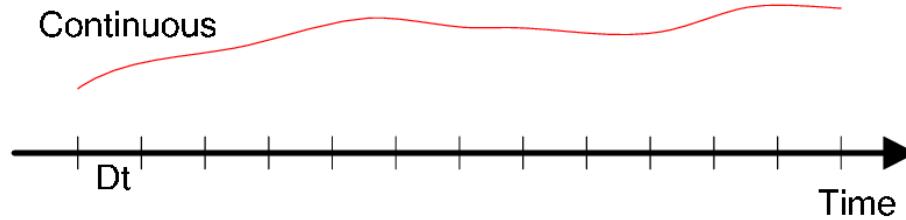
- Creates an environment that mimics the behavior of a real device
- Suitable for rapid prototyping and testing of an idea that has not yet been developed
- However, simulators can sometimes oversimplify the real solution



Hybrid Models

- In some cases, simulators and emulators are used together. Here, the emulators are used to model the focused area more realistically
- In some studies, the network topology is determined with a simulation study, and then the performance of the relevant topology is evaluated through emulators such as maxinet and mininet

Continuous-Time and Discrete-Event Models



Continuous-time simulation

- Tracks system state continuously
- More granular and more accurate but require more computational resources
- Continuous-time simulation is typically applied to natural sciences phenomena like biological, chemical, and environmental processes

Discrete-event simulation (DES)

- Emphasizes events and state changes
- Uses time skipping; it jumps between changes in the system
- Often relies on queueing theory
- The majority of network and cloud simulators are DES-based.

CloudSim Simulator

- CloudSim [1] is the most used cloud simulator for typical cloud computing scenarios
- CloudSim is open-source, Java based solution, and it is built on SimJava [2].
- It is mainly designed for modeling Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS) cloud computing environments
- In CloudSim, users define tasks by creating so-called cloudlets
- Cloudlets (tasks) are processed by virtual machines running on cloud resources
- CloudSim also contains a power model, but it is only restricted to CPU energy consumption

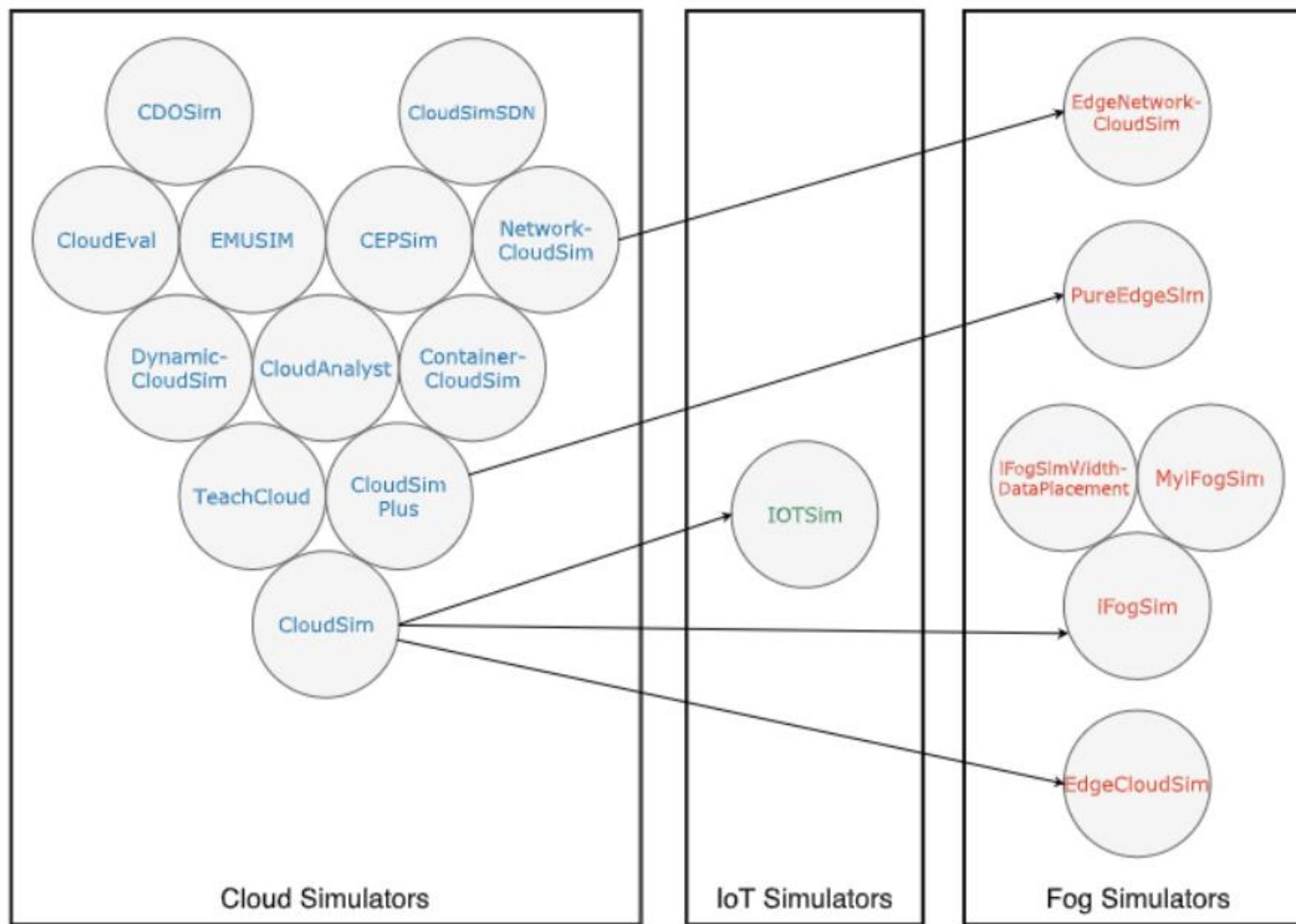
CloudSim Simulator

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- CloudSim supports both modeling of the cloud components such as datacenters, hosts, and VMs and the resource provisioning policies such as CPU, storage, memory, and bandwidth utilization models
- Using CloudSim for Edge/Fog scenarios brings some difficulties
- Some aspects of the VM utilization model are unrealistic
 - There is no limitation while assigning tasks to VMs
- It does not provide realistic network delay model
 - It uses fixed static variables as network delay
- It does not provide anything related to user mobility

★ There are many extensions of CloudSim, focusing on mostly insufficient features

Extensions of CloudSim



CloudSim Core Entities

Datacenter: Encapsulates a set of compute hosts that can either be homogeneous or heterogeneous with respect to their hardware configurations

Host: A host is associated to a datacenter. Host executes actions related to management of VMs.

VM: A virtual machine models which is managed and hosted by a Cloud host component

Cloudlet: This term is used as a task in CloudSim. Cloudlet simply represents a task.

DatacenterBroker: Represents a broker (user) and has two mechanisms for submitting VM provisioning requests to data centers and submitting tasks to VMs.

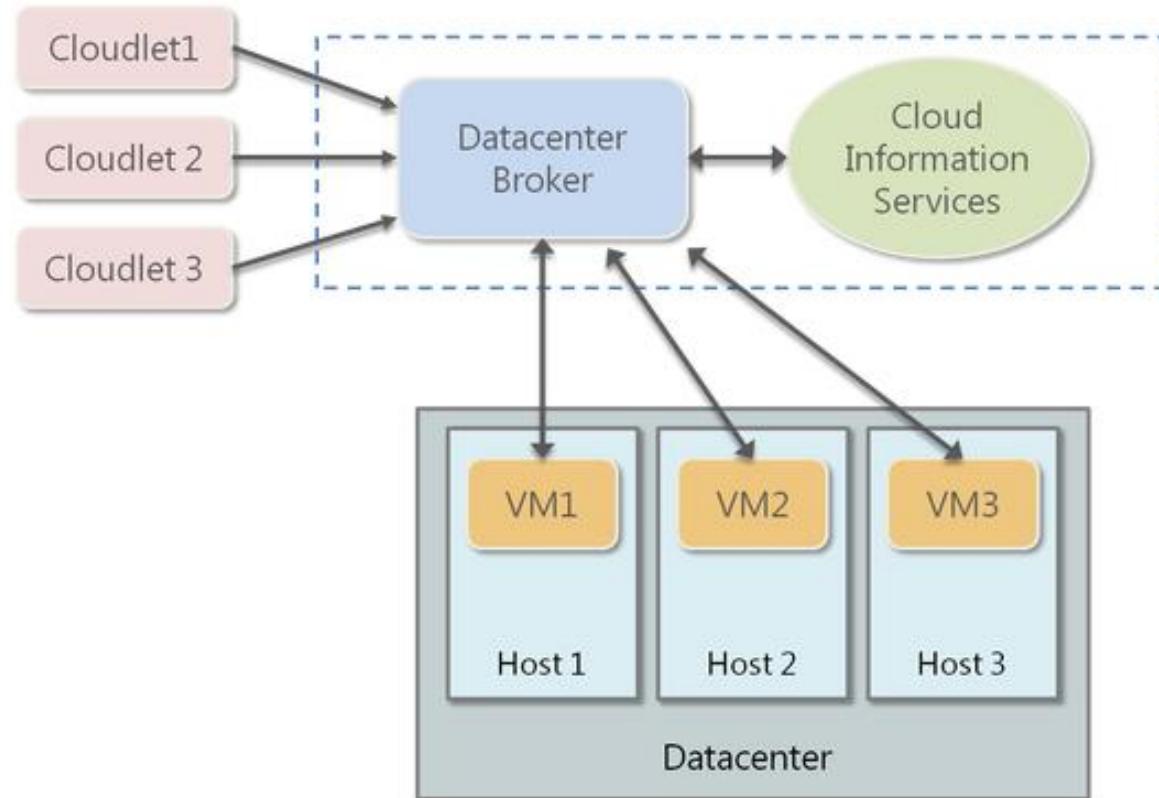


Image source: <https://medium.com/ingkwan/getting-started-with-cloudsim-631e7f6b85d6>

CloudSim VM and Task Provisioning Policies

- **VMScheduler**
 - *VmSchedulerSpaceShared*: Only one VM can run on a host's core at a time
 - *VmSchedulerTimeShared*: Dynamically distribute the capacity of a core among
- **CloudletScheduler**
 - *CloudletSchedulerSpaceShared*: Only one task can run on a VM's core at a time
 - *CloudletSchedulerTimeShared*: All tasks can be assigned to the same VM, and they are dynamically context switched during their life cycle

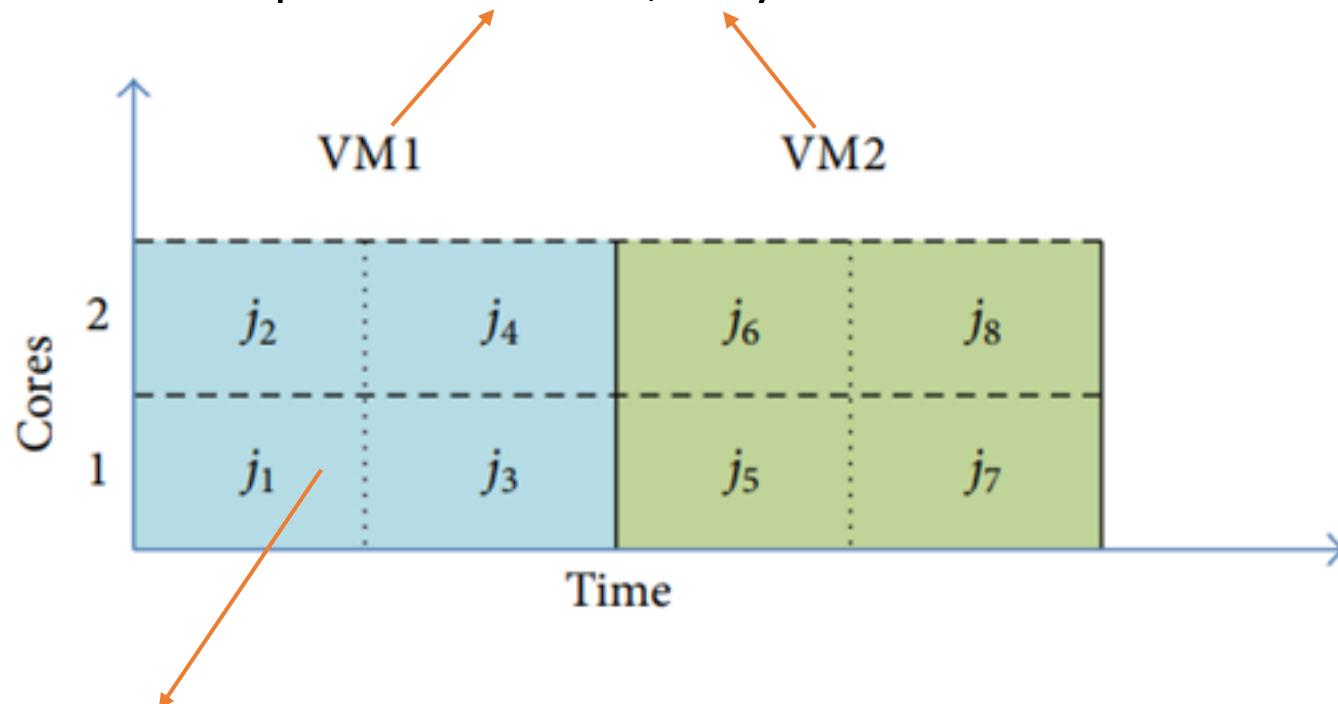
★ **Space Shared** -> queued and executed sequentially

★ **Time Shared** -> run simultaneously by context-switching

Space-Share Scheduler for VMs and Tasks

- Jobs (tasks) j_1, j_2, j_3 , and j_4 to be hosted in VM1, whereas j_5, j_6, j_7 , and j_8 to be hosted in VM2

As each VM requires two cores, only one VM can run at a time

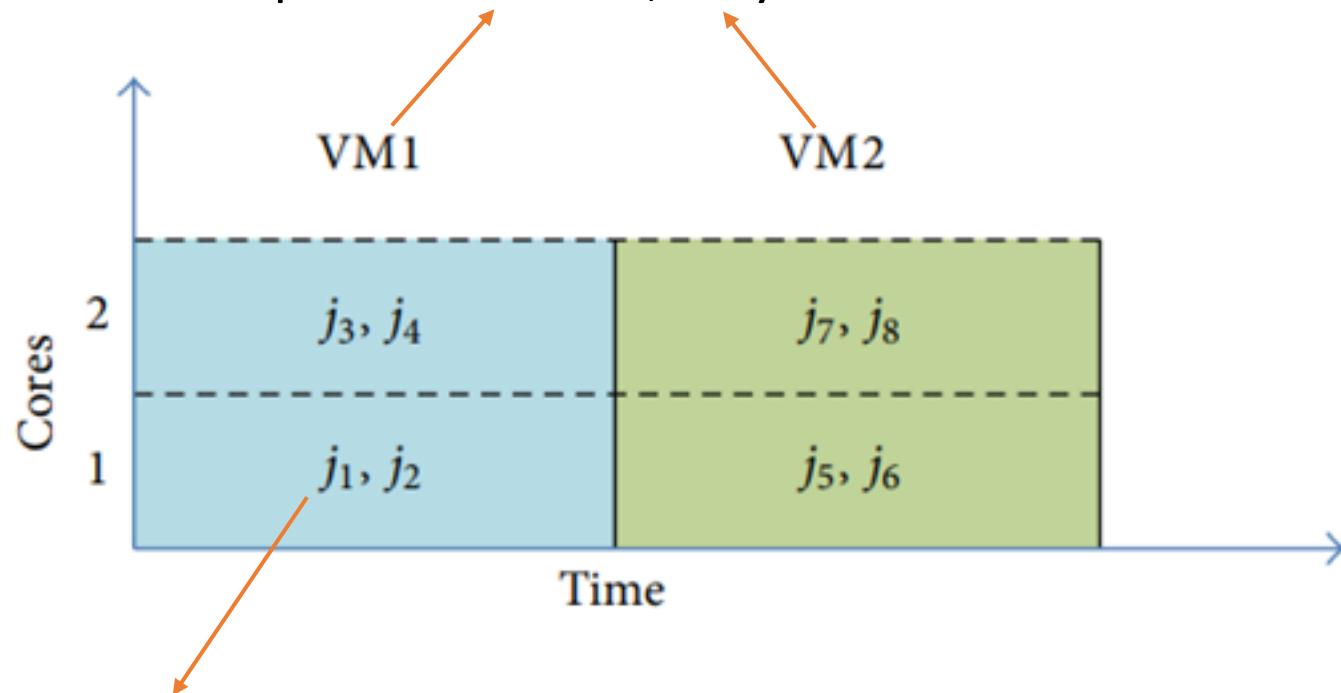


Each job demands only one core, j_1 and j_2 can run simultaneously
During this period, the j_3 and j_4 wait in the execution queue

Space-Share for VMs & Time-Shared for Tasks

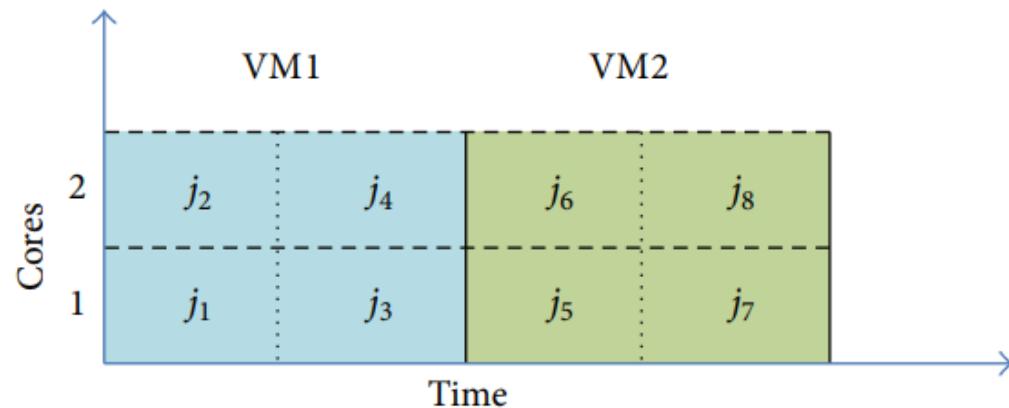
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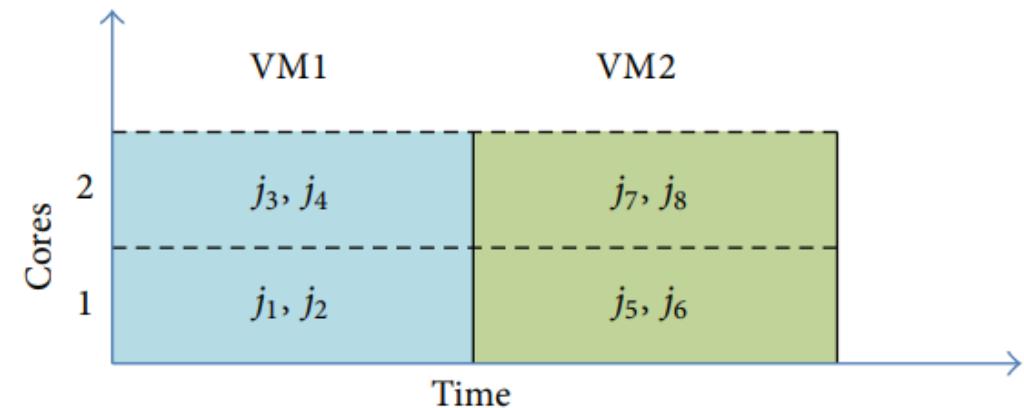


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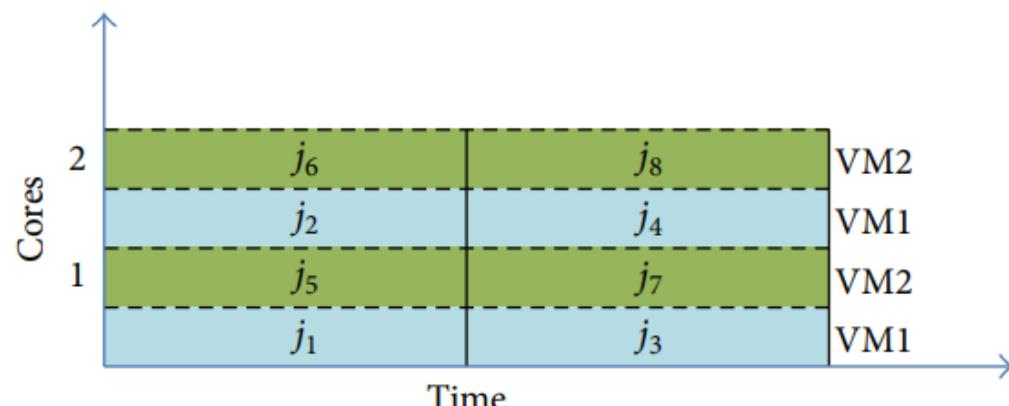
Time-shared and space-shared policy for VMs and jobs



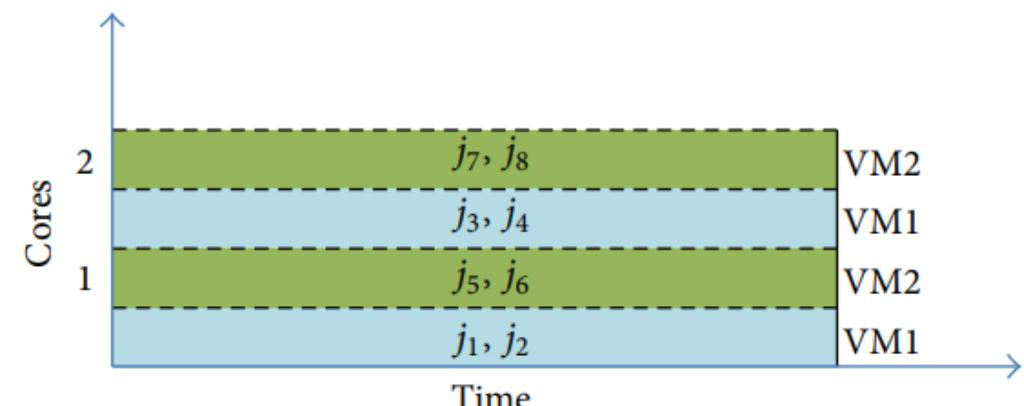
(a)



(b)



(c)



(d)

(a) Space-share for VMs and jobs, (b) space-share for VMs and time-share for jobs, (c) time-share for VMs and space-share for jobs, and (d) time-share for VMs and jobs.

Characteristic Features of Edge/Fog Simulators

Simulator	Lang.	Type	Core simulator	mobil ity	scalability	Energy + Cost	Network Modelling	Infrastructure entities	Pub. year
iFogSim [3]	Java	Event driven	CloudSim	X	X	E + C	Link bandwidth, delay, network usage	Sensors, Actuators, Fog devices and Datacenters	2017
FogTorch [4]	Java	NA	NA	X	X	X	Latency, bandwidth	Things, Fog and Cloud	2017
EdgeCloudSim [5]	Java	Event driven	CloudSim	✓	X	X	WAN link model, WLAN link model	Mobile client, Edge server, Cloud	2017
FogBus [6]	Java	NA	NA	–	✓	E	Latency, network usage	IoT devices, Fog gw nodes, Fog compute nodes, Cloud datacenter	2018
FogNetSim++ [7]	C++	Network driven	OMNET++	✓	✓	E+C	Packet drop, retransmission, link bandwidth, bit error rate	Mobile end node devices, Fog nodes, Broker nodes, Base stations	2018
Edge-Fog Cloud [8]	Python	NA	NA	X	✓	C	Network cost	Edge, Fog layer and Datastore	2016
FogBed [9]	Python	Emulator	MiniNet & Docker	X	X	–	Service latency	Virtual cloud/fog/edge instance, Virtual switches and links	2018
EmuFog [10]	Java	Emulator	MaxiNet	X	✓	C	Latency	Fog nodes, Network devices(routers)	2017
DEVS for Fog [11]	C++	Event driven	NA	–	–	–	–	User, Broker, Fog, Cloud	2017

Citations of Simulators Distributed Over the Years

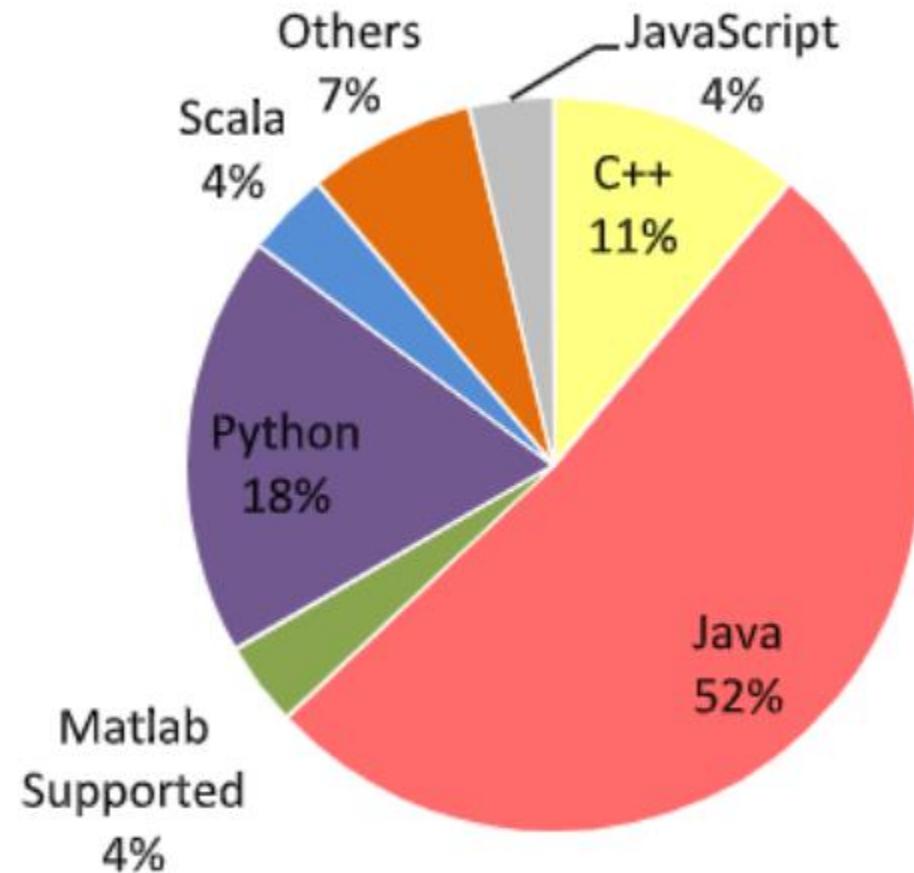
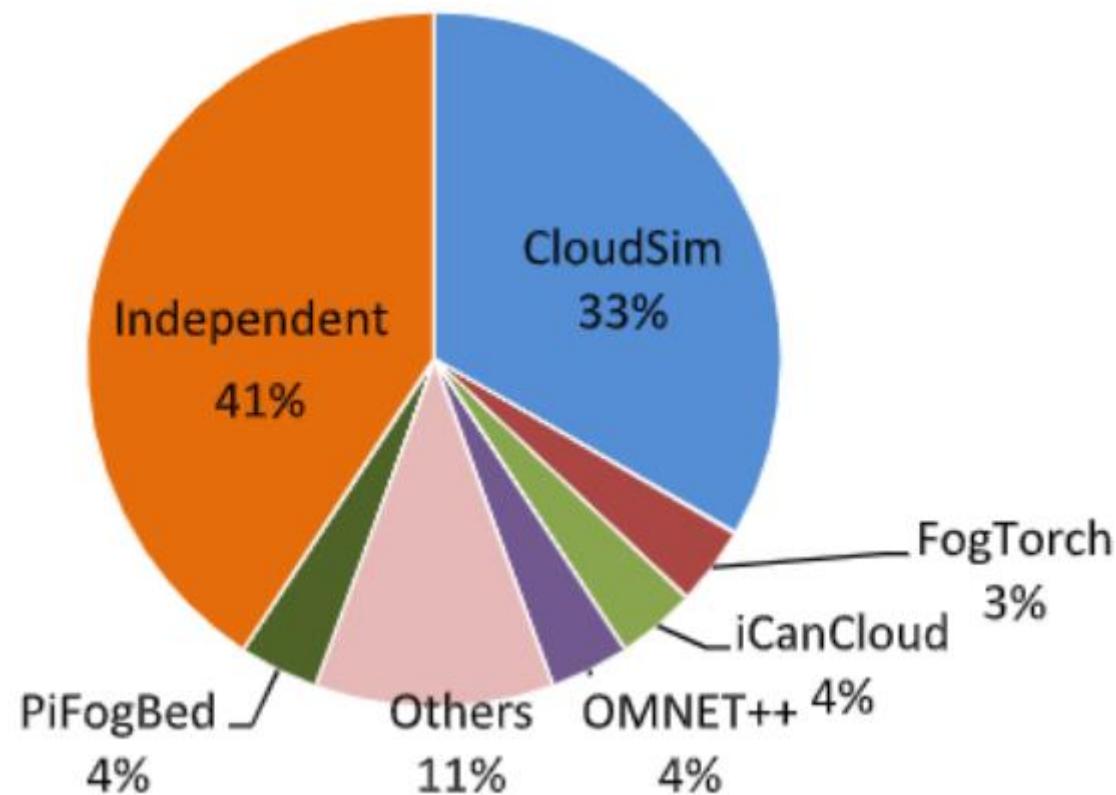


Open Repositories of Fog/Edge Simulators

Simulator	Source Code	Last Commit	Current Release	# of commits	# of contrib.	License
iFogSim	https://github.com/Cloudslab/iFogSim1	21 Sep. 2016	v2.0	71	2	–
iFogSim2	https://github.com/Cloudslab/iFogSim	30 Aug. 2021	v2.0.0	66	1	–
FogTorch	https://github.com/di-unipi-socc/FogTorch	22 Dec. 2016	NRP	28	1	MIT
EdgeCloudSim	https://github.com/CagataySonmez/EdgeCloudSim	2 Nov. 2020	v 4.0	42	3	GPL-3.0
FogBus	https://github.com/shreshhtuli/FogBus	30 Mar. 2019	v 2.0	199	2	GPL-2.0
FogNetSim++	https://github.com/rtqayyum/fognetsimpp	5 Dec. 2018	NRP	9	1	GPL-3.0
Edge-Fog Cloud	https://github.com/nitindermohan/EdgeFogSimulator	17 Oct. 2016	NRP	9	1	GPL-3.0
FogBed	https://github.com/fogbed/fogbed	11 Nov. 2018	NRP	2105	35	Mininet 2.3.0d1
EmuFog	https://github.com/emuFog/emuFog	28 Sep. 2020	v 2.0	259	2	MIT
DEVS for Fog	https://www.csit.carleton.ca/~msthalire/FogDEVS/	23 Sep. 2016	NRP	–	–	–

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Existing Edge/Fog Simulators & Programming Lang. Used





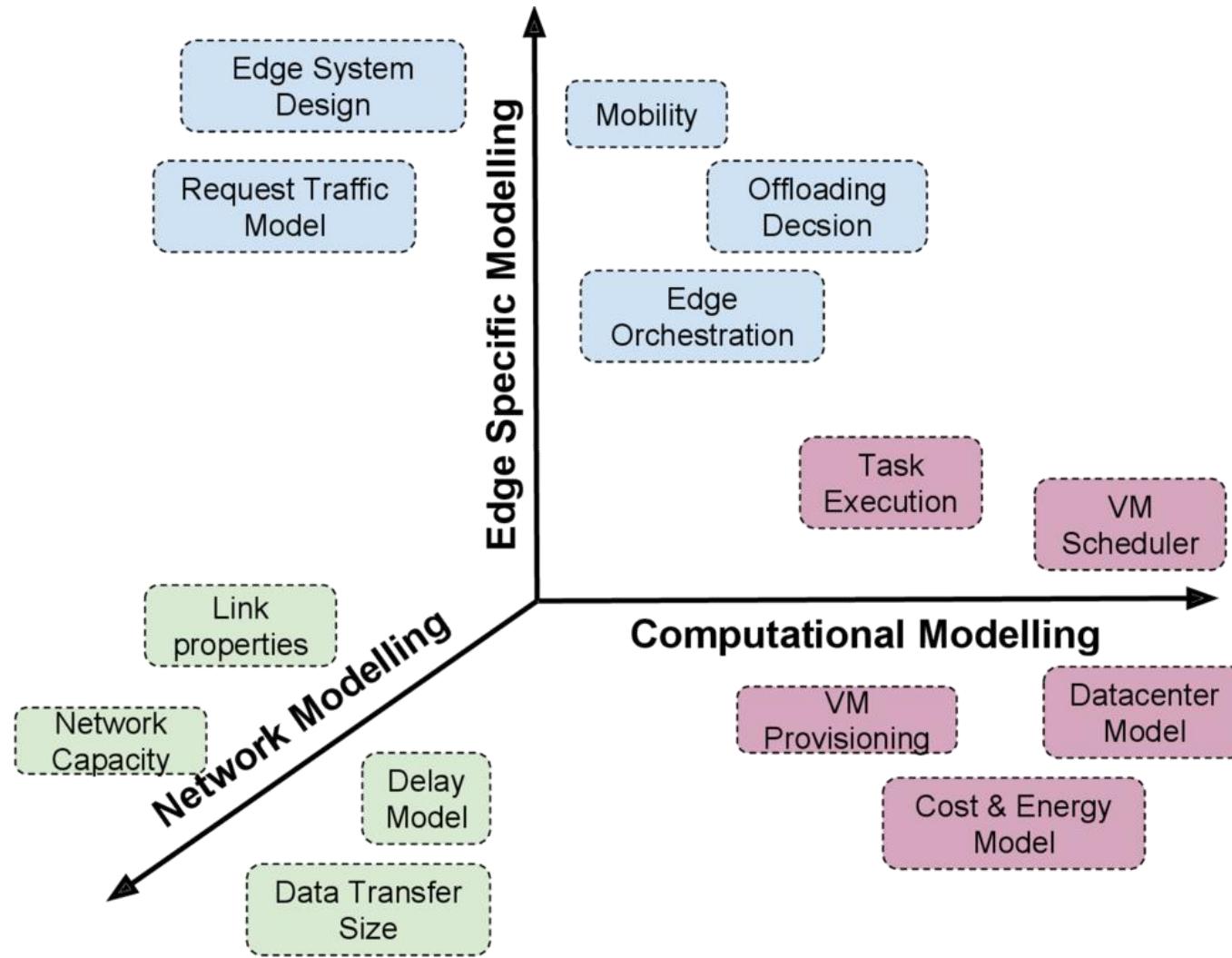
EdgeCloudSim

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What is EdgeCloudSim

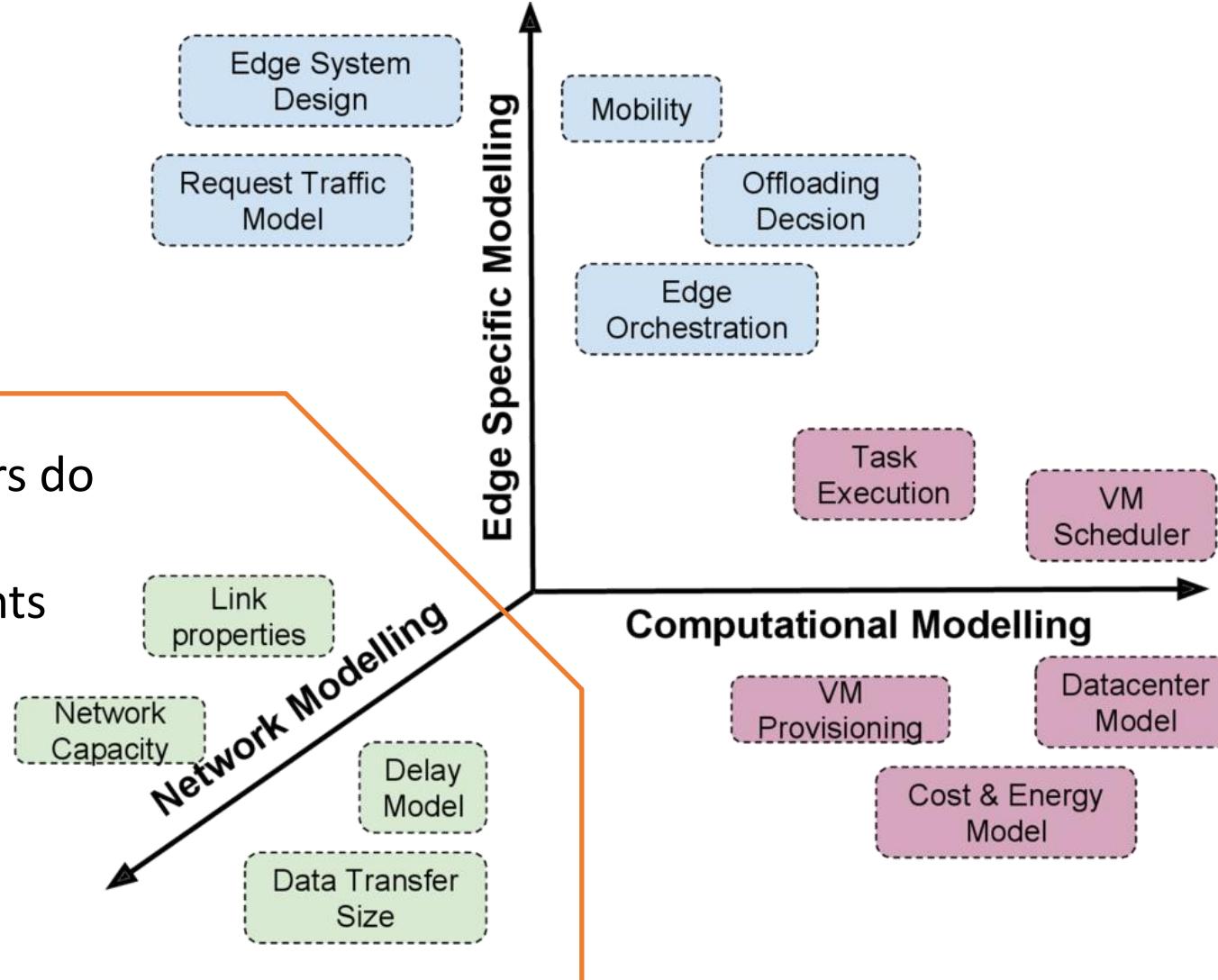
- EdgeCloudSim is a new simulator
- Provides a simulation environment specific to edge computing scenarios
- EdgeCloudSim is based on CloudSim but adds some additional functionalities
- Extensible and easy-to-use
- Publicly available on GitHub
 - <https://github.com/CagataySonmez/EdgeCloudSim>
- Has high reputation; as of October 2023
 - 525 citations based on Google Scholar
 - A discussion forum [11] with 197 members
 - More than 18K views on YouTube channel [12]

Motivation of Developing a Simulator



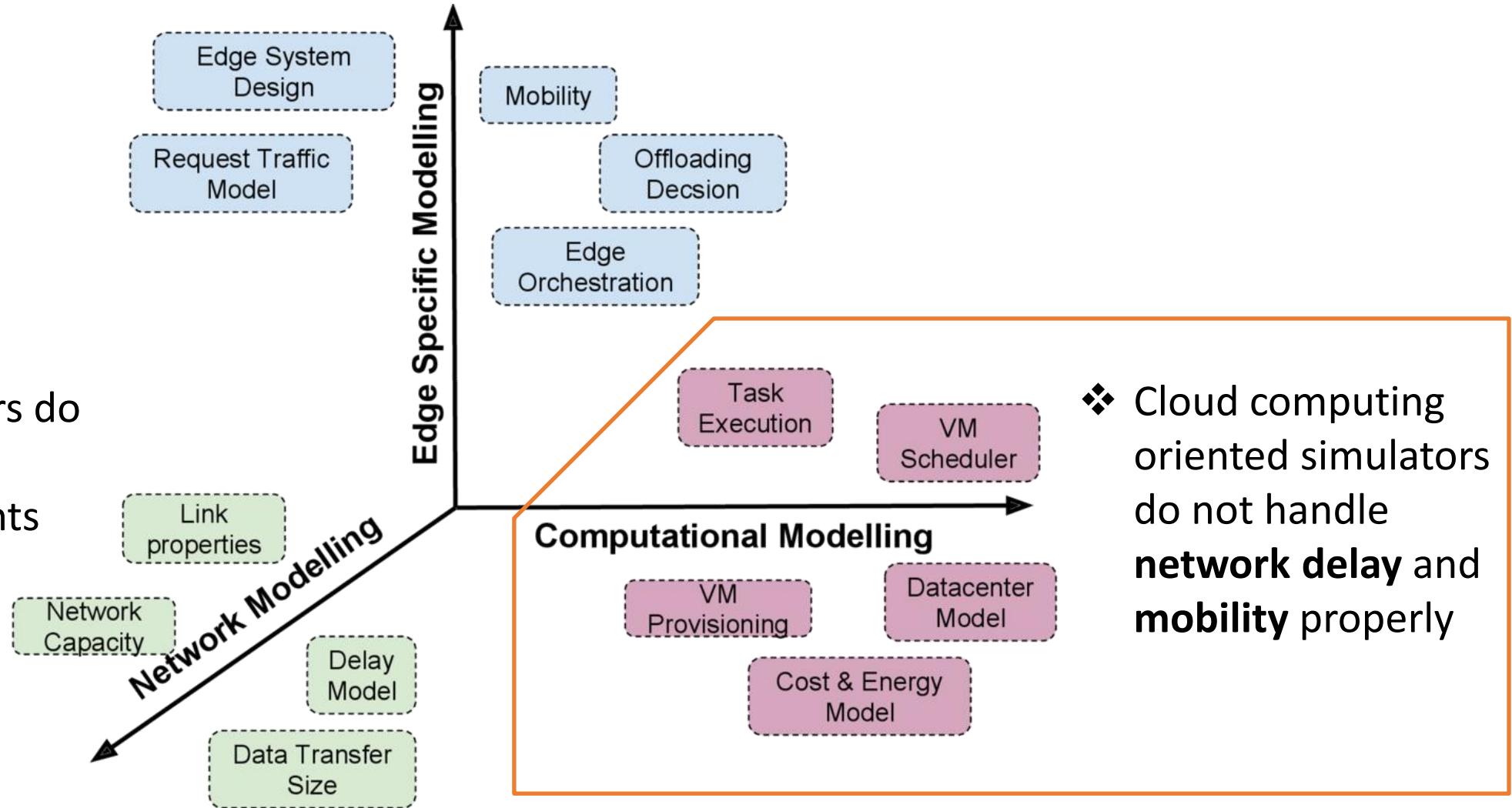
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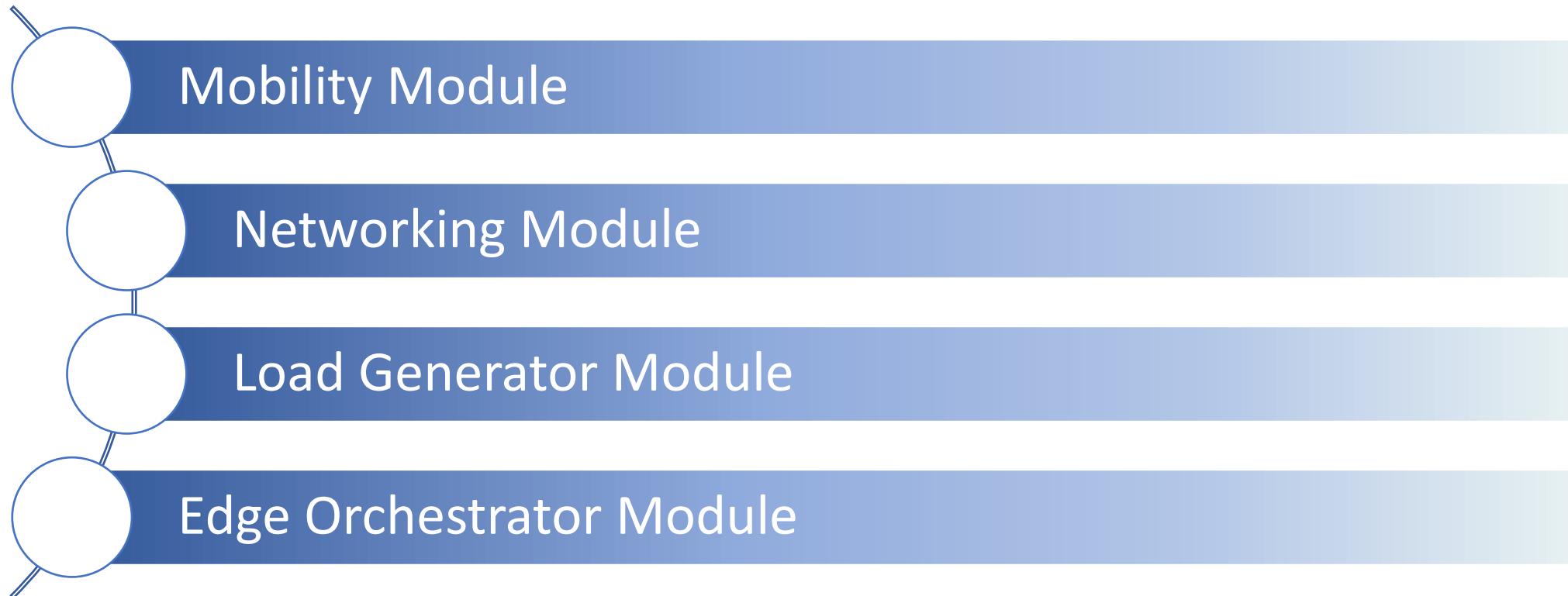
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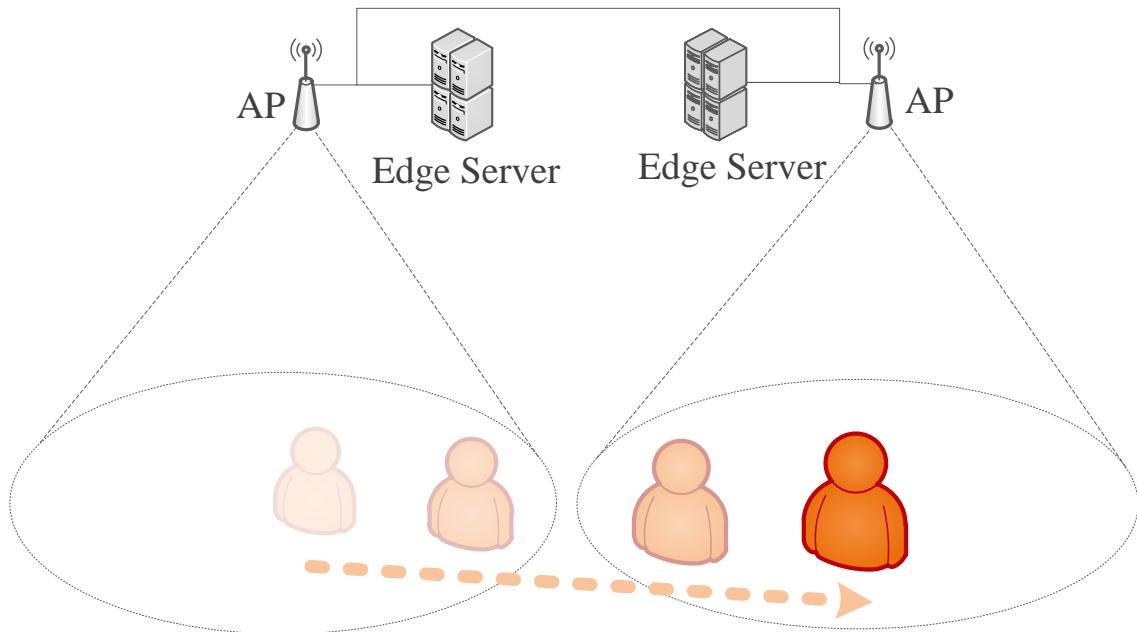
- ❖ Network simulators do not consider cloud computing elements
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 - ❖ There is no easy-to-use simulator for Edge Computing scenarios
 - ❖ Cloud computing oriented simulators do not handle **network delay** and **mobility** properly
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- The diagram illustrates the components of a simulator for Edge Computing scenarios across three dimensions:
- Edge Specific Modelling (Vertical Axis):**
 - Edge System Design
 - Request Traffic Model
 - Mobility
 - Offloading Decision
 - Edge Orchestration
 - Computational Modelling (Horizontal Axis):**
 - Task Execution
 - VM Scheduler
 - VM Provisioning
 - Datacenter Model
 - Cost & Energy Model
 - Network Modelling (Diagonal Axis):**
 - Link properties
 - Network Capacity
 - Delay Model
 - Data Transfer Size

EdgeCloudSim Core Modules



Mobility Module

- Manages the location of edge devices and clients

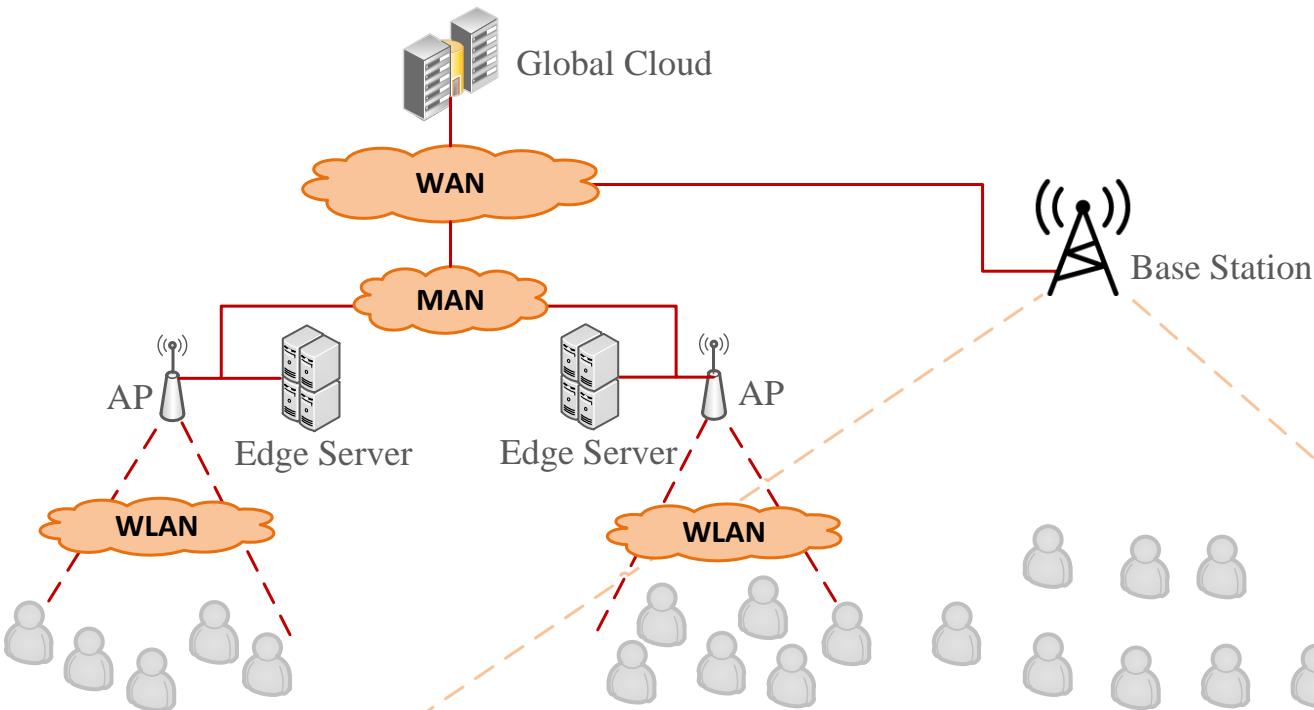


EdgeCloudSim Core Modules

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Networking Module

- Adds link delays between the network components

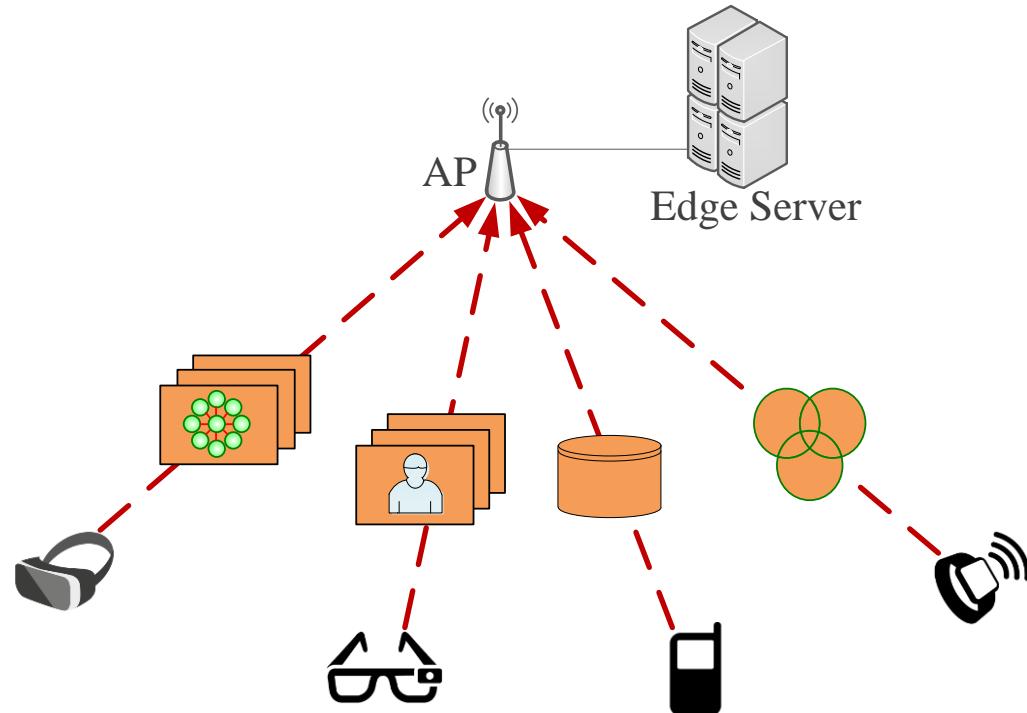


EdgeCloudSim Core Modules

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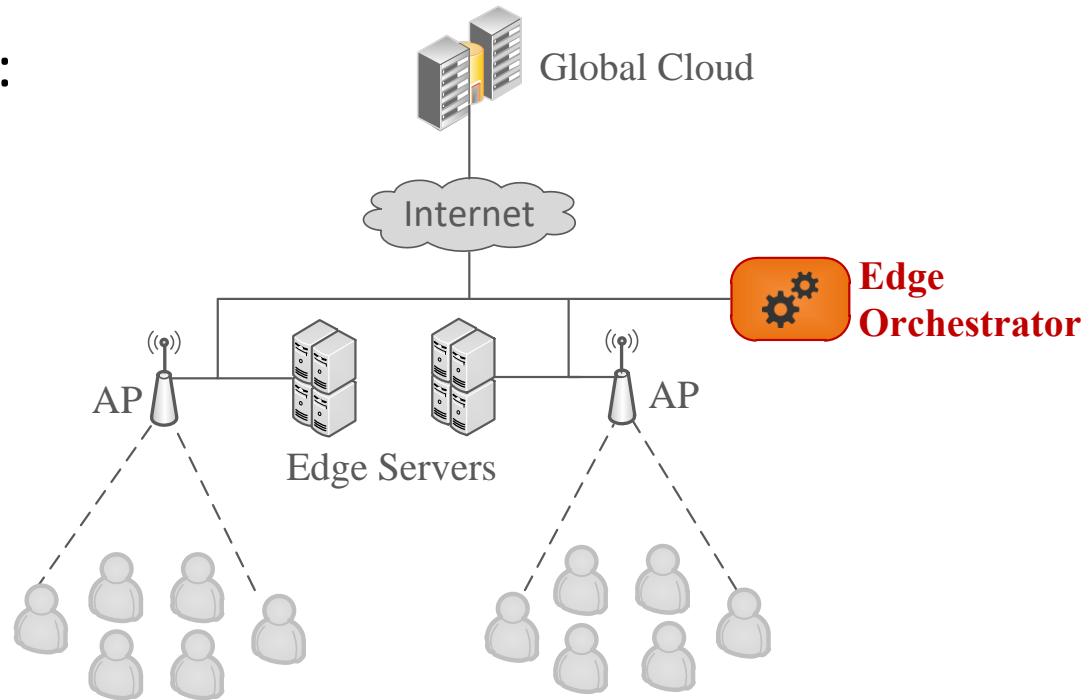
Load Generator Module

- Generates tasks based on the simulated scenario

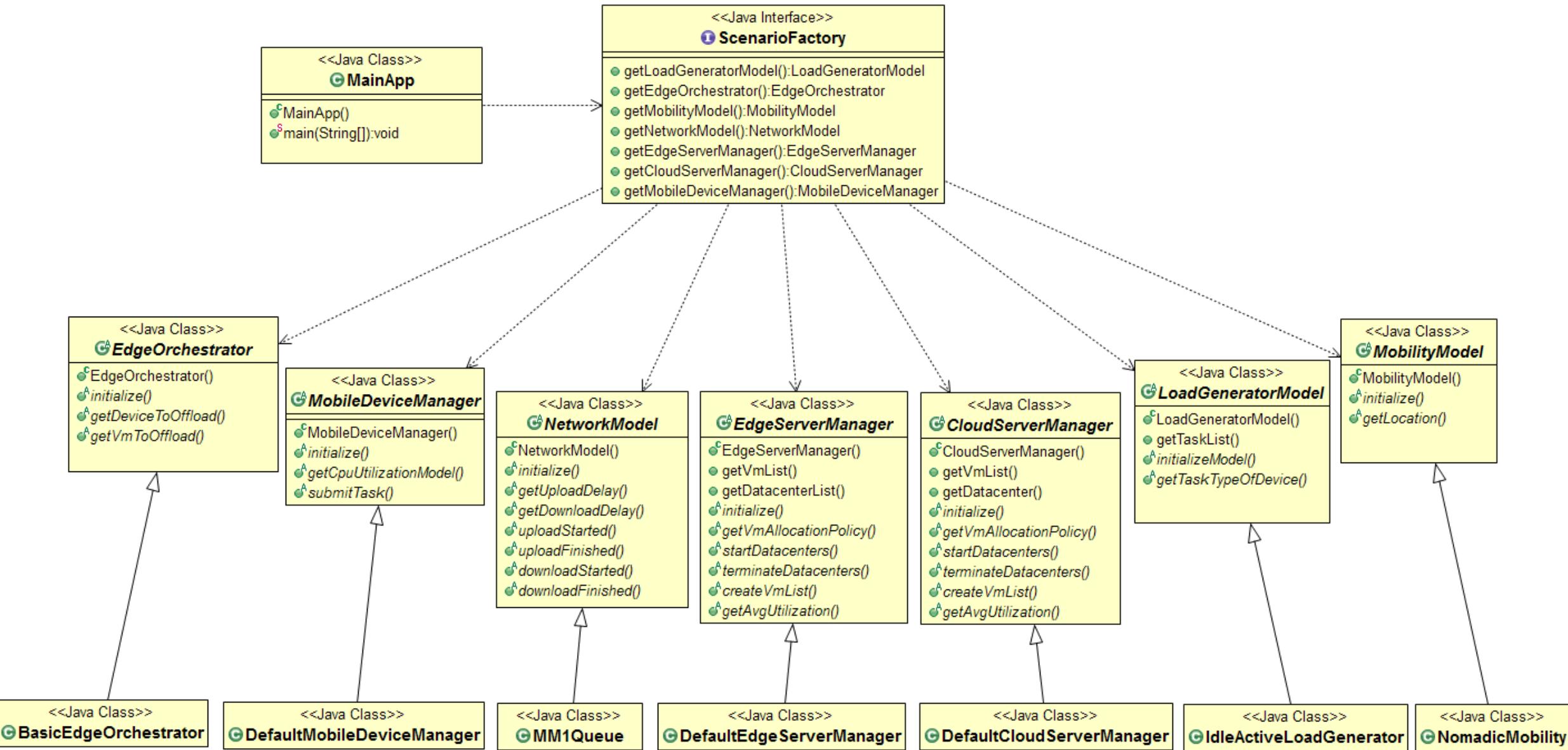


Edge Orchestrator Module

- The edge orchestrator can be considered as the central nervous system
- It makes critical decisions, such as:
 - Resource provisioning
 - Scales up/down the servers
 - Generates/terminates VMs
 - Migrates tasks
 - Coordinates services



Extensibility



Sample Factory Class

```
public class VehicularScenarioFactory implements ScenarioFactory {  
    ...  
    @Override  
    public LoadGeneratorModel getLoadGeneratorModel() {  
        return new VehicularLoadGenerator(numOfMobileDevice, simulationTime, simScenario);  
    }  
    @Override  
    public EdgeOrchestrator getEdgeOrchestrator() {  
        return new VehicularEdgeOrchestrator(numOfMobileDevice, orchestratorPolicy, simScenario);  
    }  
    @Override  
    public MobilityModel getMobilityModel() {  
        return new VehicularMobilityModel(numOfMobileDevice, simulationTime);  
    }  
    @Override  
    public NetworkModel getNetworkModel() {  
        return new VehicularNetworkModel(numOfMobileDevice, simScenario, orchestratorPolicy);  
    }  
    @Override  
    public EdgeServerManager getEdgeServerManager() {  
        return new VehicularEdgeServerManager();  
    }  
    @Override  
    public CloudServerManager getCloudServerManager() {  
        return new DefaultCloudServerManager();  
    }  
    @Override  
    public MobileDeviceManager getMobileDeviceManager() throws Exception {  
        return new VehicularMobileDeviceManager();  
    }  
    @Override  
    public MobileServerManager getMobileServerManager() {  
        return new VehicularMobileServerManager(numOfMobileDevice);  
    }  
}
```

Extending Mobility Model...

```
public class VehicularMobilityModel extends MobilityModel {  
    private final double SPEED_FOR_PLACES[] = {20, 40, 60}; //km per hour  
  
    private int lengthOfSegment;  
    private double totalTimeForLoop; //seconds  
    private int[] locationTypes;  
  
    //prepare following arrays to decrease computation on getLocation() function  
    //NOTE: if the number of clients is high, keeping following values in RAM  
    //      may be expensive. In that case sacrifice computational resources!  
    private int[] initialLocationIndexArray;  
    private int[] initialPositionArray; //in meters unit  
    private double[] timeToDriveLocationArray;//in seconds unit  
    private double[] timeToReachNextLocationArray; //in seconds unit  
  
    public VehicularMobilityModel(int _numberOfMobileDevices, double _simulationTime) {  
        super(_numberOfMobileDevices, _simulationTime);  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public void initialize() {  
        //Find total length of the road  
        Document doc = SimSettings.getInstance().getEdgeDevicesDocument();  
        NodeList datacenterList = doc.getElementsByTagName("datacenter");  
        ...
```

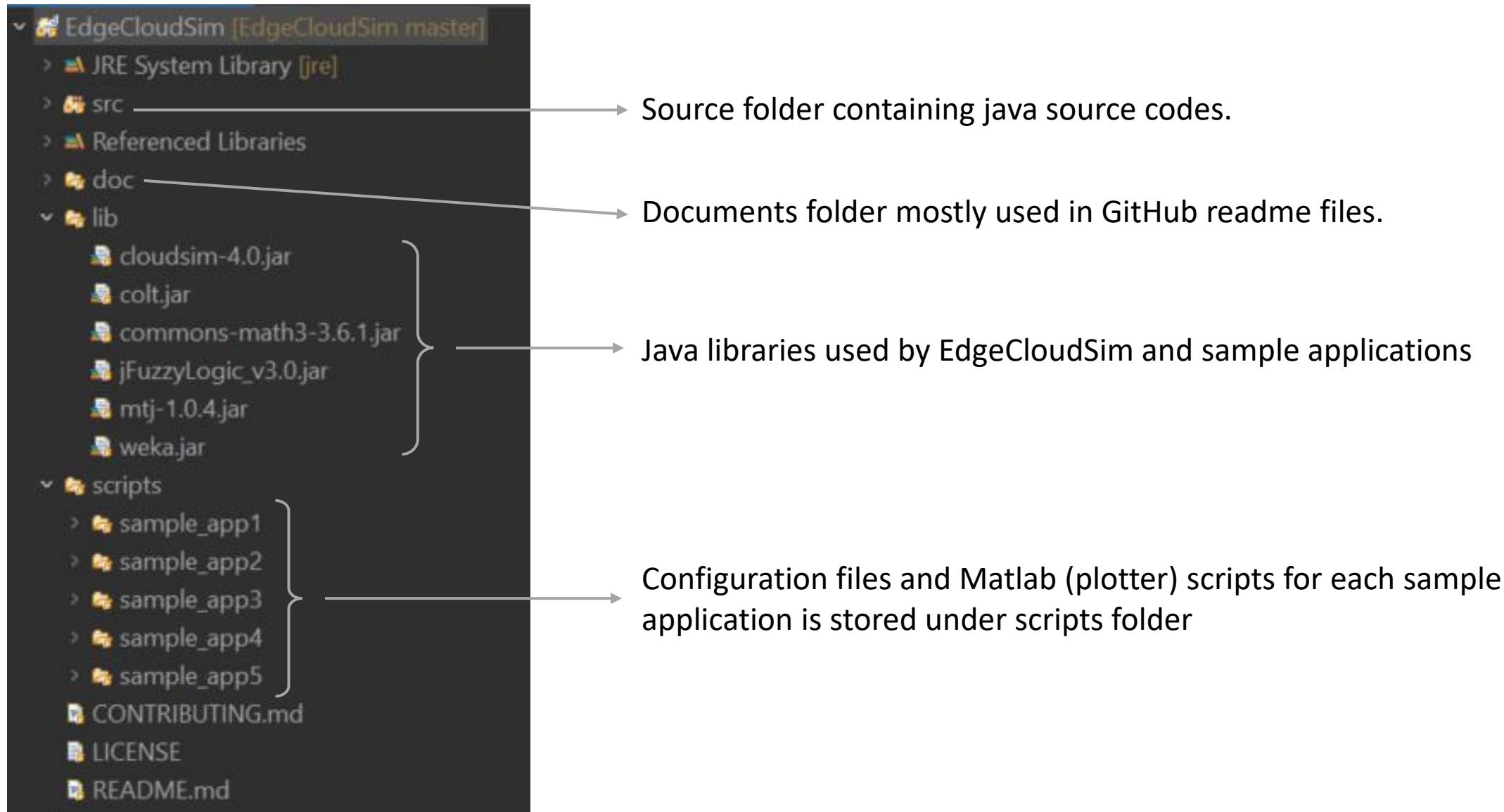
Extending Network Model...

```
public class VehicularNetworkModel extends NetworkModel {  
    public static double maxWlanDelay = 0;  
    public static double maxWanDelay = 0;  
    public static double maxGsmDelay = 0;  
  
    private class MMPPWrapper {  
        private double currentPoissonMean;  
        private double currentTaskSize;  
  
        //record last values used for successful packet transmission  
        private double lastPoissonMean;  
        private double lastTaskSize;  
  
        //record last n task statistics during MM1_QUEUE_MODEL_UPDATE.  
        private double numOfTasks;  
        private double totalTaskSize;  
  
        public MMPPWrapper() {  
            currentPoissonMean = 0;  
            currentTaskSize = 0;  
  
            lastPoissonMean = 0;  
            lastTaskSize = 0;  
  
            numOfTasks = 0;  
            totalTaskSize = 0;  
        }  
        ...  
    }
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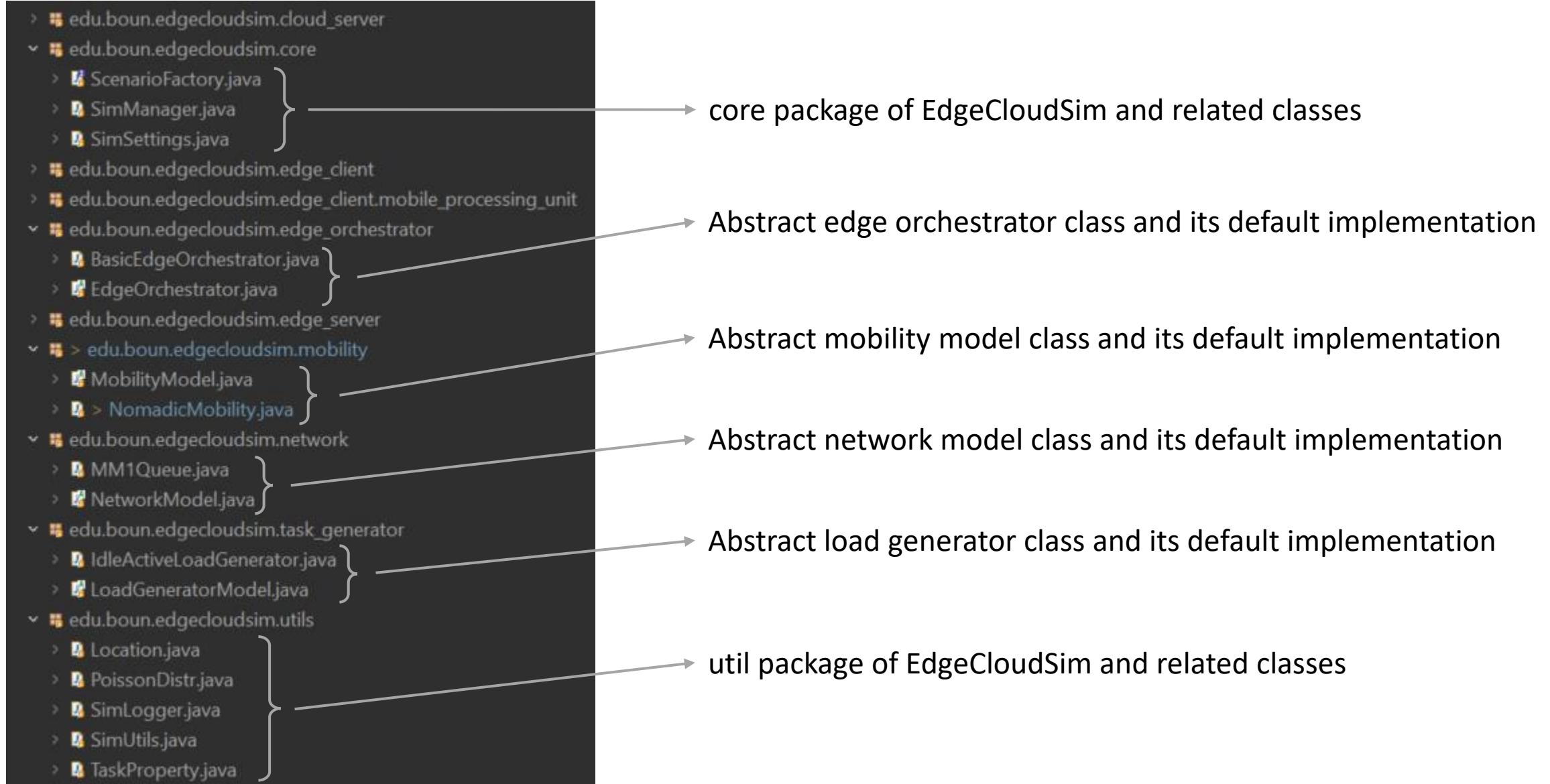
Downloading EdgeCloudSim

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- You should clone EdgeCloudSim repository to start development
 - `$git clone https://github.com/CagataySonmez/EdgeCloudSim.git`
- After cloning the repository, you can use your favorite IDE such as Eclipse and NetBeans
- Please check EdgeCloudSim wiki page for more
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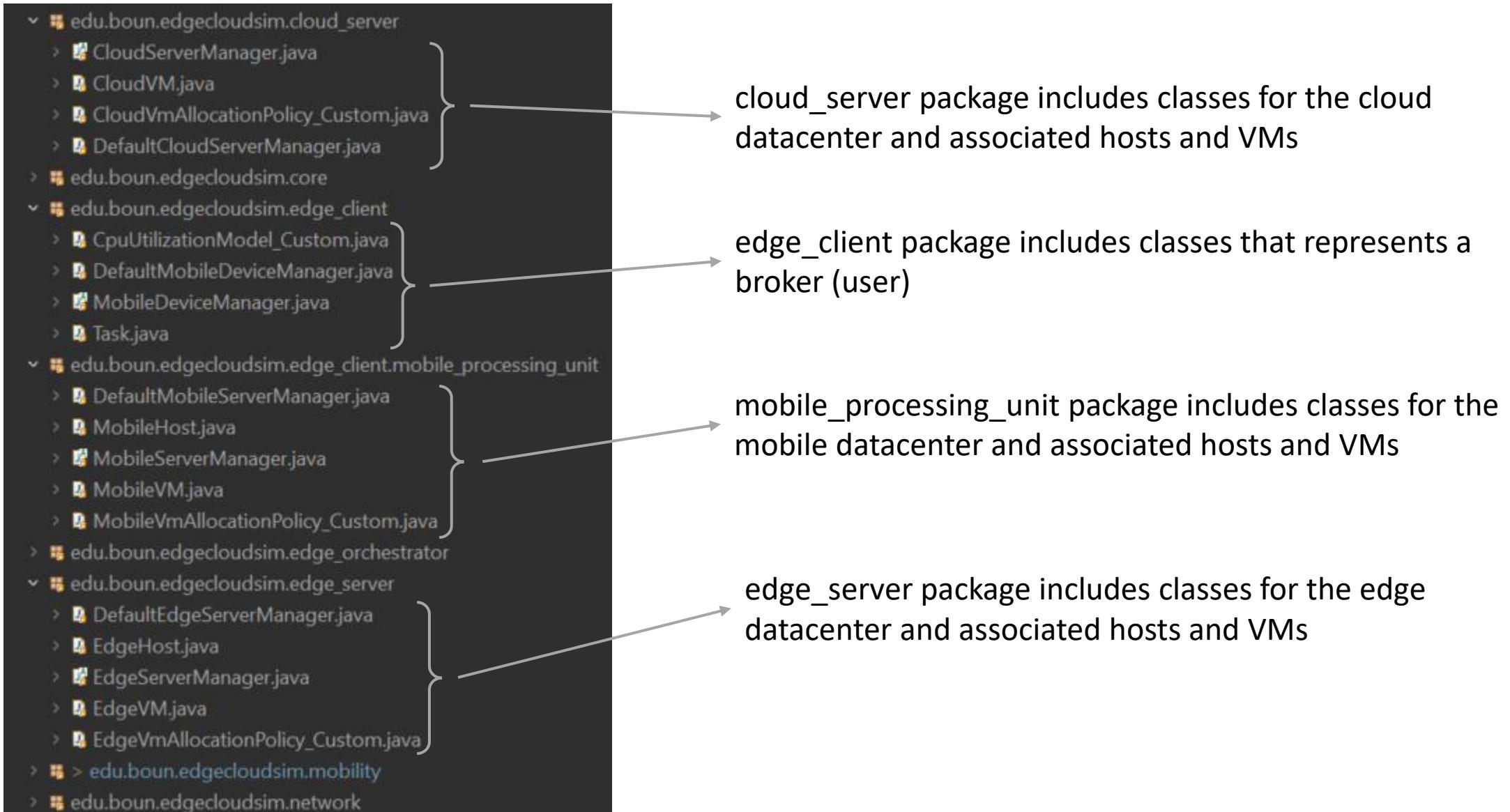
EdgeCloudSim Folder Hierarchy



EdgeCloudSim Core Classes



EdgeCloudSim Computational Classes



Important Classes: ScenarioFactory

```
public interface ScenarioFactory {  
    /**  
     * provides abstract Load Generator Model  
     */  
    public LoadGeneratorModel getLoadGeneratorModel();  
  
    /**  
     * provides abstract Edge Orchestrator  
     */  
    public EdgeOrchestrator getEdgeOrchestrator();  
  
    /**  
     * provides abstract Mobility Model  
     */  
    public MobilityModel getMobilityModel();  
  
    /**  
     * provides abstract Network Model  
     */  
    public NetworkModel getNetworkModel();  
  
    /**  
     * provides abstract Edge Server Model  
     */  
    public EdgeServerManager getEdgeServerManager();  
  
    /**  
     * provides abstract Cloud Server Model  
     */  
    public CloudServerManager getCloudServerManager();  
  
    /**  
     * provides abstract Mobile Server Model  
     */  
    public MobileServerManager getMobileServerManager();  
  
    /**  
     * provides abstract Mobile Device Manager Model  
     */  
    public MobileDeviceManager getMobileDeviceManager() throws Exception;  
}
```

The ScenarioFactory class provides extensibility. You can provide versions of most of the important classes with different behaviors to implement your simulation scenario.

You have to provide a concrete implementation of ScenarioFactory class to create the SimManager class and run the simulation in your java main method

```
// Generate EdgeCloudsim Scenario Factory  
ScenarioFactory sampleFactory = new SampleScenarioFactory(j, simScen);  
  
// Generate EdgeCloudSim Simulation Manager  
SimManager manager = new SimManager(sampleFactory, j, simScen);  
  
// Start simulation  
manager.startSimulation();
```

Sample code snippet from Java main method

Important Classes: EdgeOrchestrator

```
package edu.boun.edgecloudsim.edge_orchestrator;  
import org.cloudbus.cloudsim.Vm;  
  
public abstract class EdgeOrchestrator extends SimEntity{  
    protected String policy;  
    protected String simScenario;  
  
    public EdgeOrchestrator(String _policy, String _simScenario){  
        super("EdgeOrchestrator");  
        policy = _policy;  
        simScenario = _simScenario;  
    }  
  
    /*  
     * Default Constructor: Creates an empty EdgeOrchestrator  
     */  
    public EdgeOrchestrator(){  
        super("EdgeOrchestrator");  
    }  
  
    /*  
     * initialize edge orchestrator if needed  
     */  
    public abstract void initialize();  
  
    /*  
     * decides where to offload  
     */  
    public abstract int getDeviceToOffload(Task task);  
  
    /*  
     * returns proper VM from the edge orchestrator point of view  
     */  
    public abstract Vm getVmToOffload(Task task, int deviceId);  
}
```

The edge orchestrator can be considered as the central nervous system. Make all critical decisions here in this class.

You need to extend SimEntity to create custom events!

This generic function is mostly used to decide which task should be sent to which datacenter.

This generic function is mostly used to decide which VM the task should be assigned to.

★ You can add other helper functions in your concrete implementation of this class to handle your business logic!

Important Classes: MobileDeviceManager

```
package edu.boun.edgecloudsim.edge_client;  
import org.cloudbus.cloudsim.DatacenterBroker;  
  
public abstract class MobileDeviceManager extends DatacenterBroker {  
    public MobileDeviceManager() throws Exception {  
        super("Global_Broker");  
    }  
    /*  
     * initialize mobile device manager if needed  
     */  
    public abstract void initialize();  
    /*  
     * provides abstract CPU Utilization Model  
     */  
    public abstract UtilizationModel getCpuUtilizationModel();  
    public abstract void submitTask(TaskProperty edgeTask);  
}
```

MobileDeviceManager extends CloudSim's DatacenterBroker class which represents a broker (user).

CloudSim does not provide realistic VM CPU utilization model, so that this class is responsible for providing a CPU utilization model based on the simulation scenario

It is basically responsible for submitting VM provisioning requests to data centers (submitting tasks to VMs)



★ For convenience, this class often handles (simulates) the movement of tasks between the entities.

Important Classes: SimLogger

```
package edu.boun.edgecloudsim.utils;

import java.io.BufferedReader;

public class SimLogger {
    public static enum TASK_STATUS {
        CREATED, UPLOADING, PROCESSING, DOWNLOADING, COMPLETED,
        REJECTED_DUE_TO_VM_CAPACITY, REJECTED_DUE_TO_BANDWIDTH,
        UNFINISHED_DUE_TO_BANDWIDTH, UNFINISHED_DUE_TO_MOBILITY,
        REJECTED_DUE_TO_WLAN_COVERAGE
    }

    public static enum NETWORK_ERRORS {
        LAN_ERROR, MAN_ERROR, WAN_ERROR, GSM_ERROR, NONE
    }

    private long startTime;
    private long endTime;
    private static boolean fileLogEnabled;
    private static boolean printLogEnabled;
    private String filePrefix;
    private String outputFolder;
    private Map<Integer, LogItem> taskMap;
    private LinkedList<VmLoadLogItem> vmLoadList;
    private LinkedList<ApDelayLogItem> apDelayList;

    private static SimLogger singleton = new SimLogger();

    private int numOfAppTypes;

    private File successFile = null, failFile = null;
    private FileWriter successFW = null, failFW = null;
    private BufferedWriter successBW = null, failBW = null;
```

The SimSettings class is located under util package, and responsible for saving simulation results to files.

The first version of SimLogger was logging events to files as they happened, but this approach requires a lot of I/O. Therefore, it was updated to collect the results of the events in data structures and write them to the files at the end of the simulation!

★ SimLogger class is not designed to be extended via the factory pattern; if you need to log different simulation results, you will need to modify this core class!

Important Classes: SimSettings

```
package edu.boun.edgecloudsim.core;  
  
import java.io.File;  
  
public class SimSettings {  
    private static SimSettings instance = null;  
    private Document edgeDevicesDoc = null;  
  
    public static final double CLIENT_ACTIVITY_START_TIME = 10;  
  
    //predefined IDs for the components.  
    public static final int CLOUD_DATACENTER_ID = 1000;  
    public static final int MOBILE_DATACENTER_ID = 1001;  
    public static final int EDGE_ORCHESTRATOR_ID = 1002;  
    public static final int GENERIC_EDGE_DEVICE_ID = 1003;  
  
    //delimiter for output file.  
    public static final String DELIMITER = ":";  
  
    private double SIMULATION_TIME; //minutes unit in properties file  
    private double WARM_UP_PERIOD; //minutes unit in properties file  
    private double INTERVAL_TO_GET_VM_LOAD_LOG; //minutes unit in proper  
    private double INTERVAL_TO_GET_LOCATION_LOG; //minutes unit in prope  
    private double INTERVAL_TO_GET_AP_DELAY_LOG; //minutes unit in prope  
    private boolean FILE_LOG_ENABLED; //boolean to check file logging op  
    private boolean DEEP_FILE_LOG_ENABLED; //boolean to check deep file  
  
    private int MIN_NUM_OF_MOBILE_DEVICES;  
    private int MAX_NUM_OF_MOBILE_DEVICES;  
    private int MOBILE_DEVICE_COUNTER_SIZE;  
    private int WLAN_RANGE;  
  
    private int NUM_OF_EDGE_DATACENTERS;  
    private int NUM_OF_EDGE_HOSTS;  
    private int NUM_OF_EDGE_VMS;  
    private int NUM_OF_PLACE_TYPES;
```

The SimSettings class is located under core package, and responsible for storing all simulation settings by reading the values in the configuration files.

★ SimSettings class is not designed to be extended via the factory pattern; if you need to store different simulation settings for your simulation scenario, you will need to modify this core class!

config.properties file

```
#default config file
simulation_time=33
warm_up_period=3
vm_load_check_interval=0.1
location_check_interval=0.1
file_log_enabled=true
deep_file_log_enabled=false

min_number_of_mobile_devices=200
max_number_of_mobile_devices=2000
mobile_device_counter_size=200

wan_propagation_delay=0.1
lan_internal_delay=0.005
wlan_bandwidth=0
wan_bandwidth=0
gsm_bandwidth=0
...
#each mobile device has one host which serves one VM
#all the host runs on a single datacenter due to the
#out of memory (oom) issue
core_for_mobile_vm=1
mips_for_mobile_vm=4000
ram_for_mobile_vm=2000
storage_for_mobile_vm=32000

#use ',' for multiple values
orchestrator_policies=ONLY_EDGE,ONLY_MOBILE,HYBRID

#use ',' for multiple values
simulation_scenarios=MOBILE_PROCESSING_SCENARIO
...
```

Simulation and warm-up time

Values to use for file logging

Number of mobile devices to be used in the simulation

Values to be used in the network model

CPU, memory and storage specifications for mobile devices

Orchestrator policies and scenarios



Any variables related to
simulation settings are kept in this file

```

<?xml version="1.0"?>
<edge_devices>
    <datacenter arch="x86" os="Linux" vmm="Xen">
        <costPerBw>0.1</costPerBw>
        <costPerSec>3.0</costPerSec>
        <costPerMem>0.05</costPerMem>
        <costPerStorage>0.1</costPerStorage>
        <location>
            <x_pos>1</x_pos>
            <y_pos>1</y_pos>
            <wlan_id>0</wlan_id>
            <attractiveness>0</attractiveness>
        </location>
    </datacenter>
    <hosts>
        <host>
            <core>16</core>
            <mips>80000</mips>
            <ram>16000</ram>
            <storage>400000</storage>
            <VMs>
                <VM vmm="Xen">
                    <core>2</core>
                    <mips>10000</mips>
                    <ram>2000</ram>
                    <storage>50000</storage>
                </VM>
                <VM vmm="Xen">
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                    <mips>10000</mips>
                    <ram>2000</ram>
                    <storage>50000</storage>
                </VM>
            </VMs>
        </host>
    </hosts>
</edge_devices>

```

edge_devices.xml file

Bandwidth, CPU, memory and storage cost values for this datacenter (based on CloudSim specifications)

x, y position of the datacenter (will be important for your mobility model)

Each WLAN should have a unique id

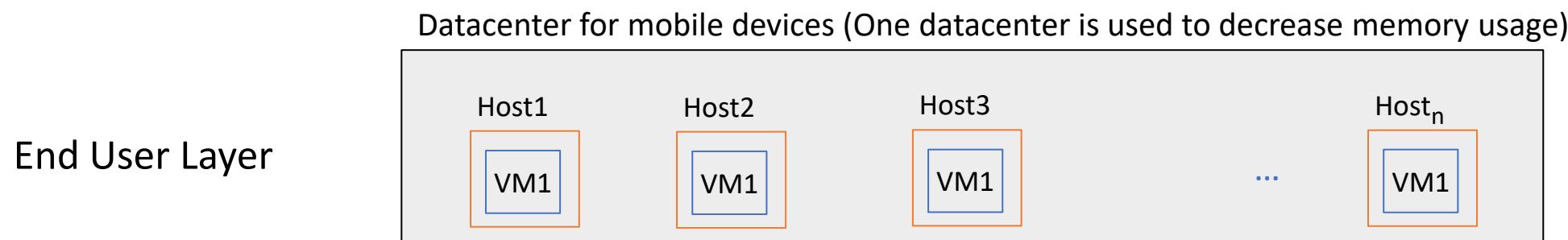
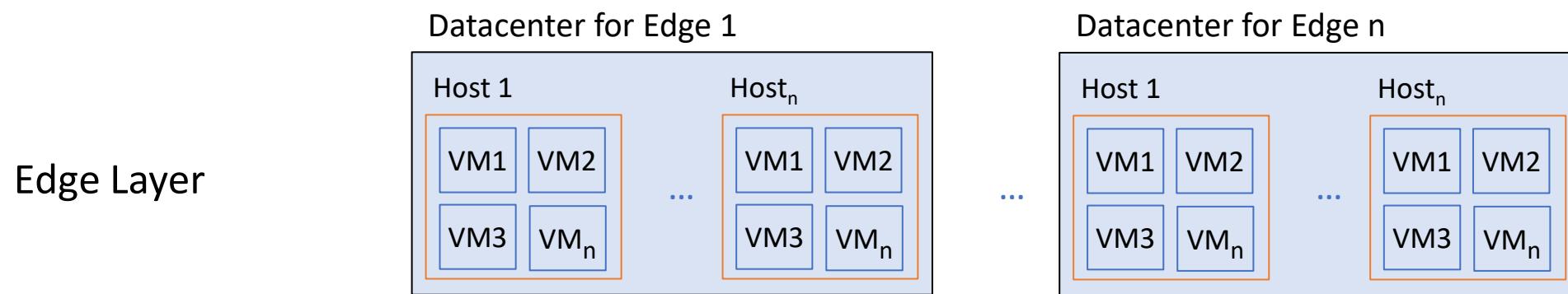
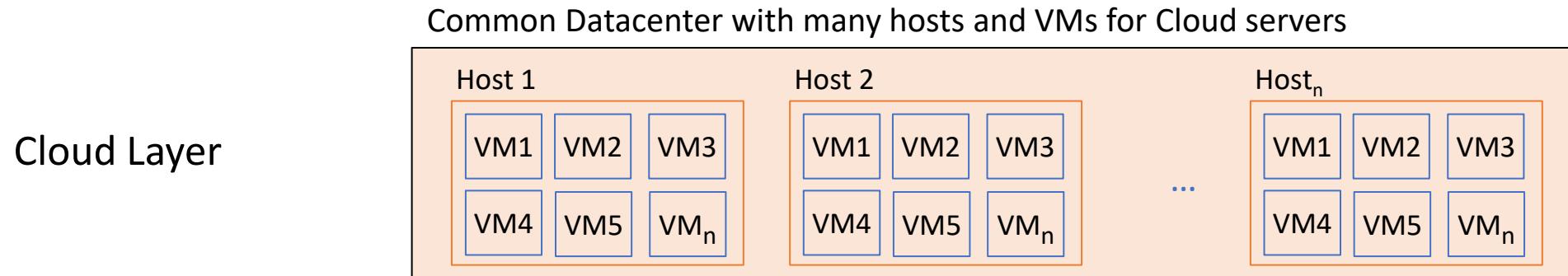
Attractiveness level of this location (for some scenarios)

CPU, memory and storage specifications for the corresponding host

CPU, memory and storage specifications for the corresponding host

★ Edge servers are created with properties specified in this file

Datacenter, Host and VM Hierarchy in EdgeCloudsim



applications.xml file

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<applications>
  <application name="AUGMENTED_REALITY">
    <usage_percentage>30</usage_percentage>
    <prob_cloud_selection>20</prob_cloud_selection>
    <poisson_interarrival>2</poisson_interarrival>
    <delay_sensitivity>0</delay_sensitivity>
    <active_period>40</active_period>
    <idle_period>20</idle_period>
    <data_upload>1500</data_upload>
    <data_download>250</data_download>
    <task_length>12000</task_length>
    <required_core>1</required_core>
    <vm_utilization_on_edge>8</vm_utilization_on_edge>
    <vm_utilization_on_cloud>0.8</vm_utilization_on_cloud>
    <vm_utilization_on_mobile>20</vm_utilization_on_mobile>
  </application>
  <application name="HEALTH_APP">
    <usage_percentage>20</usage_percentage>
  </application>
</applications>
```

- How much this app is used by mobile devices
- Possibility of offloading to the cloud (for some scenarios)
- Interarrival time for task generation (Poisson process)
- How sensitive the app is to latency (for some scenarios)
- Active period for Active/Idle task generation model
- Idle period for Active/Idle task generation model
- Average size of data loaded by the task
- Average size of data downloaded after the task execution
- Average task length in millions of instructions (MI)
- How much CPU core is used by tasks created by this app
- CPU utilization ratio of related tasks on compute nodes

★ Applications create tasks to be offloaded with the properties specified in this file

```

String configFile = "";
String outputFolder = "";
String edgeDevicesFile = "";
String applicationsFile = "";
if (args.length == 5){
    configFile = args[0];
    edgeDevicesFile = args[1];
    applicationsFile = args[2];
    outputFolder = args[3];
    iterationNumber = Integer.parseInt(args[4]);
}
else{
    SimLogger.println("Simulation setting file, output folder and iteration number not provided via command line arguments. Using static configuration files instead.");
    configFile = "scripts/sample_app1/config/default_config.properties";
    applicationsFile = "scripts/sample_app1/config/applications.xml";
    edgeDevicesFile = "scripts/sample_app1/config/edge_devices.xml";
    outputFolder = "sim_results/ite" + iterationNumber;
}

//load settings from configuration file
SimSettings SS = SimSettings.getInstance();
if(SS.initialize(configFile, edgeDevicesFile, applicationsFile) == false){
    SimLogger.println("cannot initialize simulation settings!");
    System.exit(0);
}

```

Using Conf. Files

Configuration files are mostly provided via command line arguments (especially when running through terminal).

Sometimes developers can use static file path for convenience (especially when running the simulations through IDEs during development).

SimSettings is initialized with the configuration files

scripts / sample_app1 /

Helper Scripts



config



matlab



.gitignore



compile.sh



run_scenarios.sh



runner.sh



simulation.list

Each application has utilities in its scripts folder to run simulations and plot results easily

Configuration files located in config folder

MATLAB scripts to generate graphs

Script to compile sample app

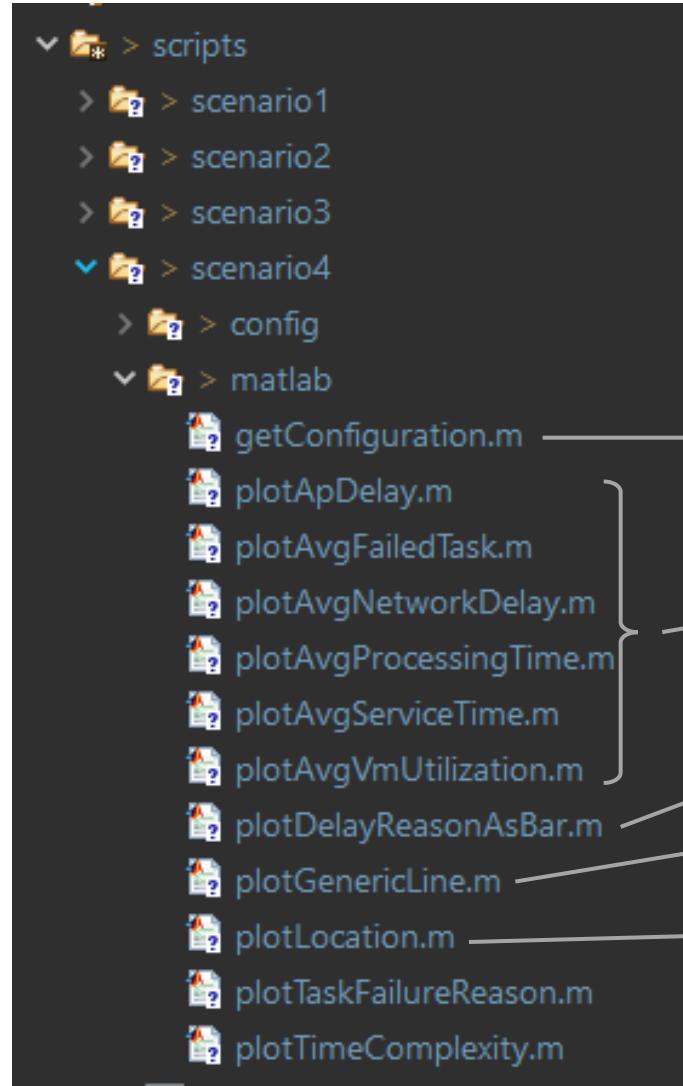
Script to run sample app

Used to run multiple simulations with different configurations (config files)



Scripts are tested & verified on Linux based operating systems including Mac OS

Plotting Simulation Results



★ First of all, configure `getConfiguration.m` file based on your simulation scenario and preferences!

→ Configuration file for the other helper scripts

→ Helper scripts to plot graphics using generic line plotter

→ Plots bar graphs for delay types

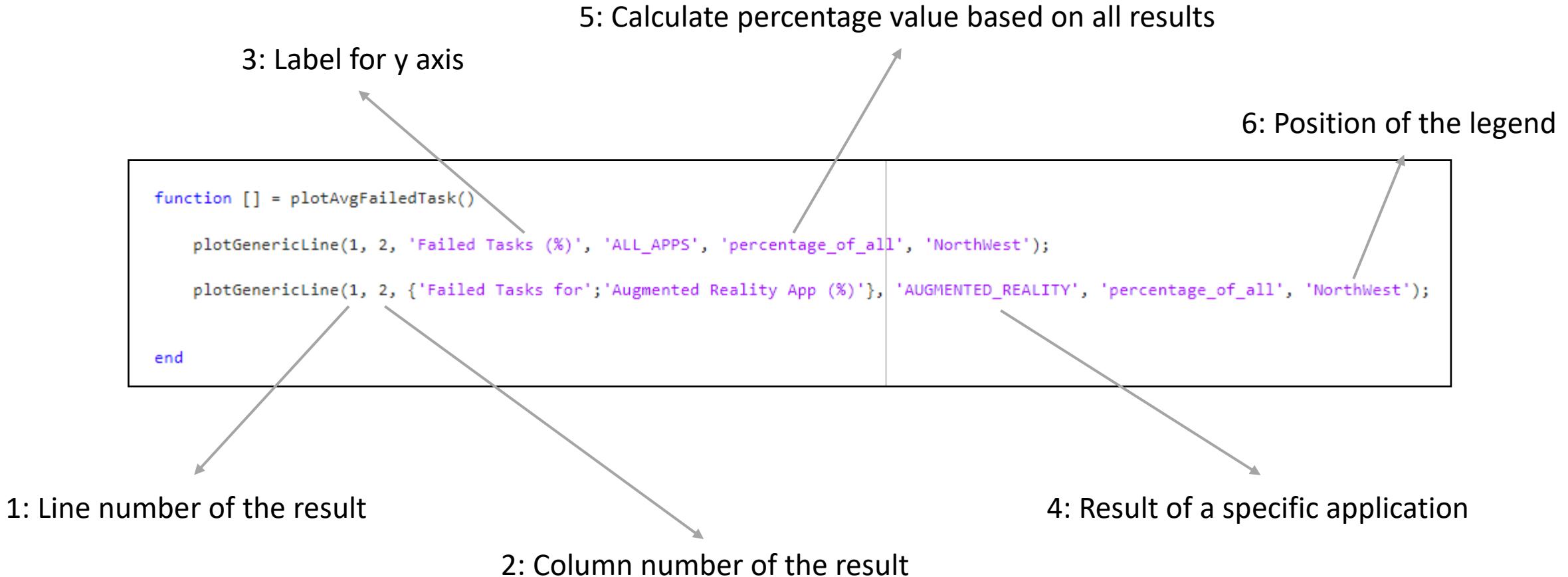
→ Generic line plotter that generates most of the graphics

→ Plots a heat-map like graphics to analyze location of the clients

Matlab Configuration Script

```
function [ret_val] = getConfiguration(argType)
    if(argType == 1)
        ret_val = '...\\..\\sim_results\\scenario3'; → Folder path where simulation results are saved
    elseif(argType == 2)
        ret_val = 15; %simulation time (in minutes)
    elseif(argType == 3)
        ret_val = 10; %Number of iterations → Number of iterations
    elseif(argType == 4)
        ret_val = 1; %x tick interval for number of mobile devices
    elseif(argType == 5)
        ret_val = {'RANDOM', 'NETWORK_BASED', 'UTILIZATION_BASED'}; → Scenario names used in the simulations
    elseif(argType == 6)
        ret_val = {'rand', 'nw', 'util'}; → Corresponding legend texts in figures
    elseif(argType == 7)
        ret_val=[6 3 15 15]; %position of figure
    elseif(argType == 8)
        ret_val = [13 12 12]; %font size for x/y label, legend and x/y } → Position, size and font size of graphs
    elseif(argType == 9)
        ret_val = 'Number of Clients'; %Common text for x axis → Common x axis label
    elseif(argType == 10)
        ret_val = 200; %min number of mobile device
    elseif(argType == 11)
        ret_val = 200; %step size of mobile device count } → Number of clients used in the simulation
    elseif(argType == 12)
        ret_val = 2000; %max number of mobile device
    elseif(argType == 17)
        ret_val = 0; %return 1 if you want to add 10^n text at x axis
    elseif(argType == 18)
        ret_val = 0; %return 1 if you want to save figure as pdf → Option to save graph in pdf format
    elseif(argType == 19)
        ret_val = 1; %return 1 if you want to plot errors → Option to plot graphs with 95% confidence interval error bars
    elseif(argType == 20)
        ret_val= 1; %return 1 if graph is plotted colorful → Option to plot graph in color
    elseif(argType == 21)
```

Sample Plotter Script



Live Demo Session



Case Study 1 – VM Scheduling

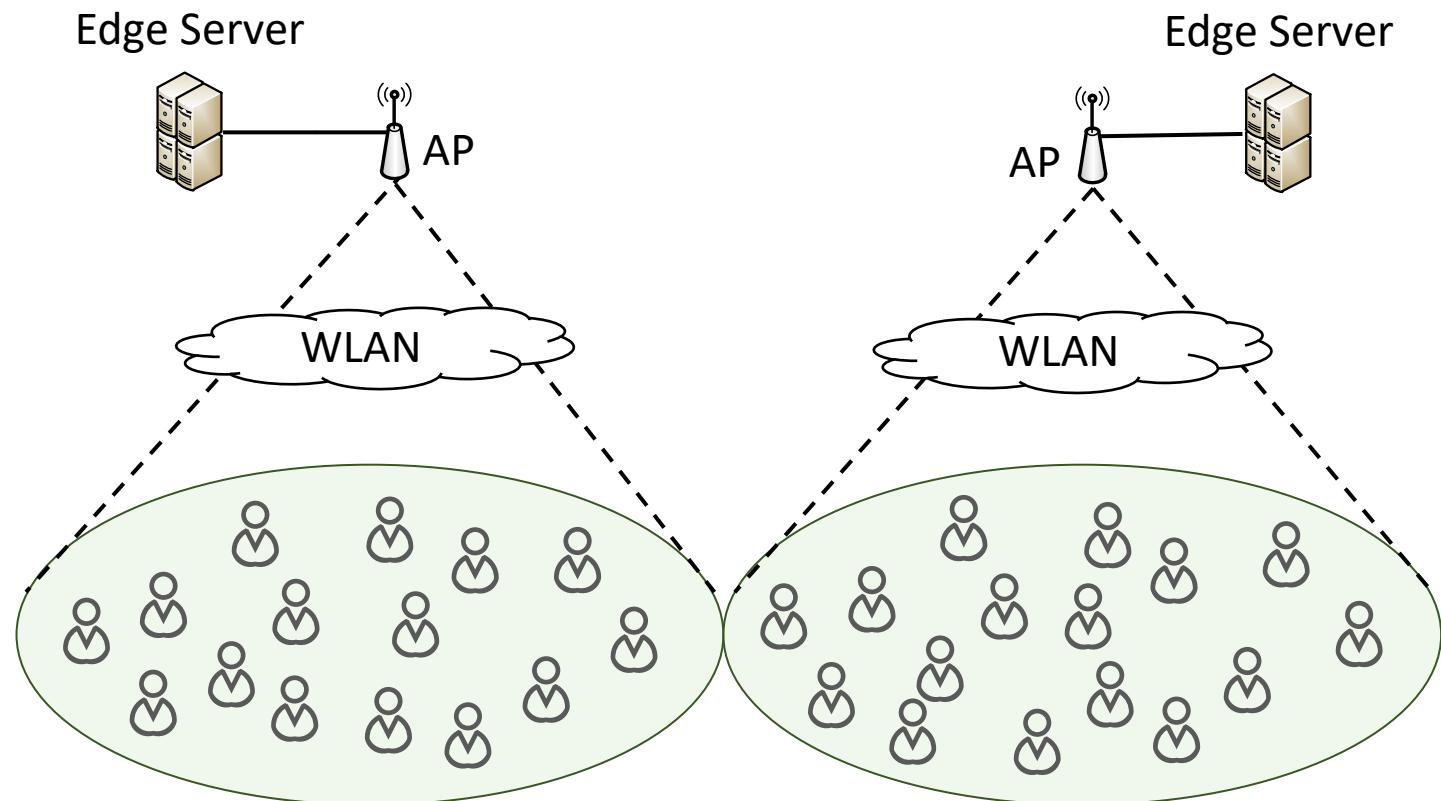
Performance Evaluation of Different VM Allocation Policies

Find the source code below:

[https://github.com/CagataySonmez/PerformanceEvaluationWithEdgeCloudSim
/tree/main/src/edu/boun/edgecloudsim/applications/scenario1](https://github.com/CagataySonmez/PerformanceEvaluationWithEdgeCloudSim/tree/main/src/edu/boun/edgecloudsim/applications/scenario1)

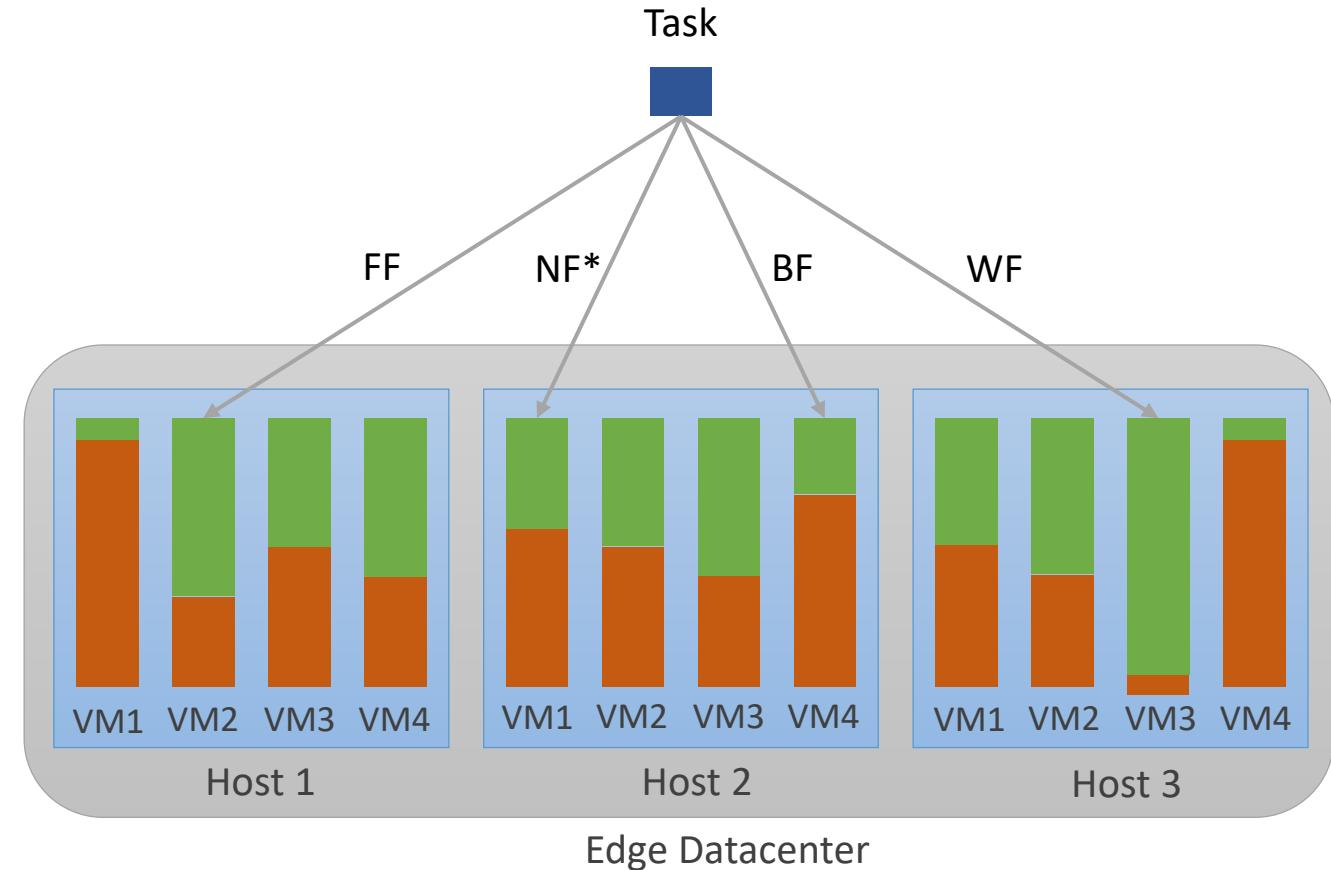
Simulation Scenario

- Mobile devices can only offload task to the edge servers connected to the serving access point
- Edge servers operates a variable number of VMs
- This scenario compares different VM provisioning algorithms



Competitor VM Provisioning Algorithms

- **Random (RND)**: A random VM is selected
- **First-Fit (FF)**: First available VM is selected
- **Next-Fit (NF)**: The hosts are visited in order and the first suitable VM is selected.
- **Best-Fit (BF)**: The VM with the highest CPU utilization is selected
- **Worst-Fit (WF)**: The VM with the least CPU utilization is selected



* Assuming the previous selection of the NF algorithm was one of the VM in Host1.

Applications Used in This Simulation

Parameter	Aug. Reality	Health	Infotainment
Usage Percentage (%)	30	20	50
Task Interarrival (sec)	2	3	7
Active/Idle Period (sec)	40/20	45/90	30/45
VM Utilization on Edge Server (%)	6	2	10
Task Length (GI)	15	3	9
Upload/Download Data (KB)	1500/50	50/1250	250/1000

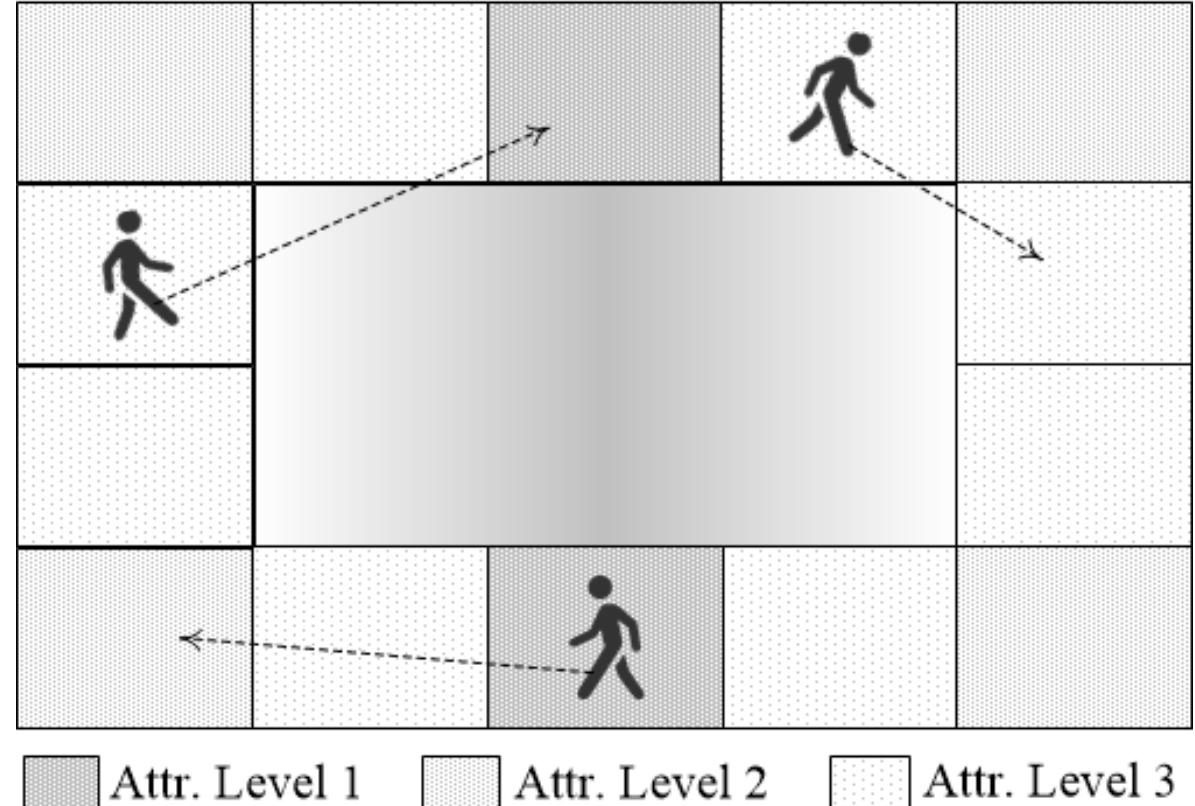
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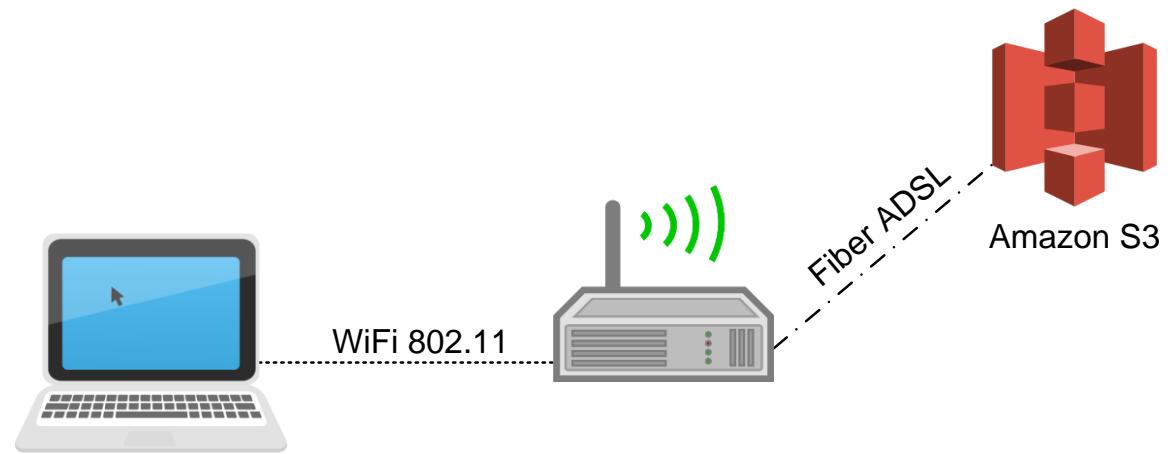
Clients are utilizing an application that generates task according to a Poisson process

Nomadic Mobility Model

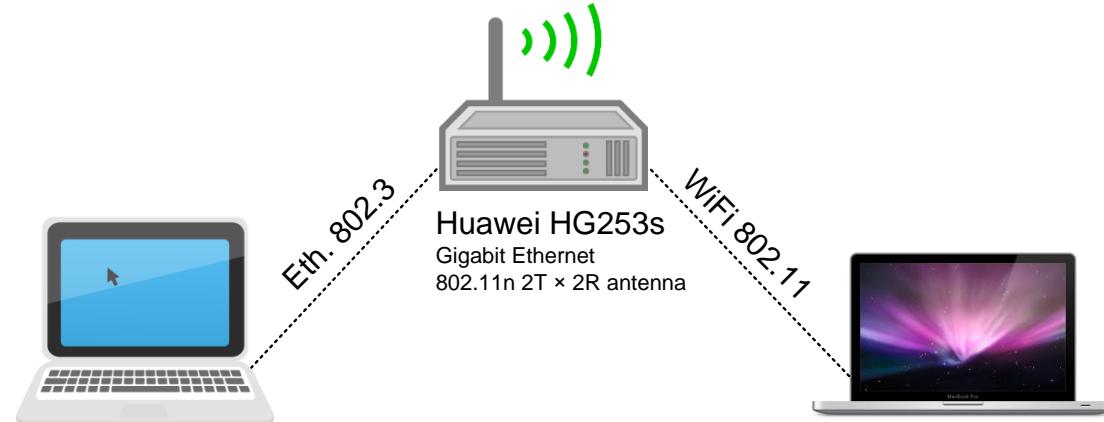
- There is no real time walking pattern, user location is updated at random time intervals
- Probability of selecting a new location is same for all locations
- We use variable locations with different attractiveness levels in simulations
- The attractiveness level determines how much time the user will spend (dwell time) in the corresponding place



Empirical WAN/WLAN Model



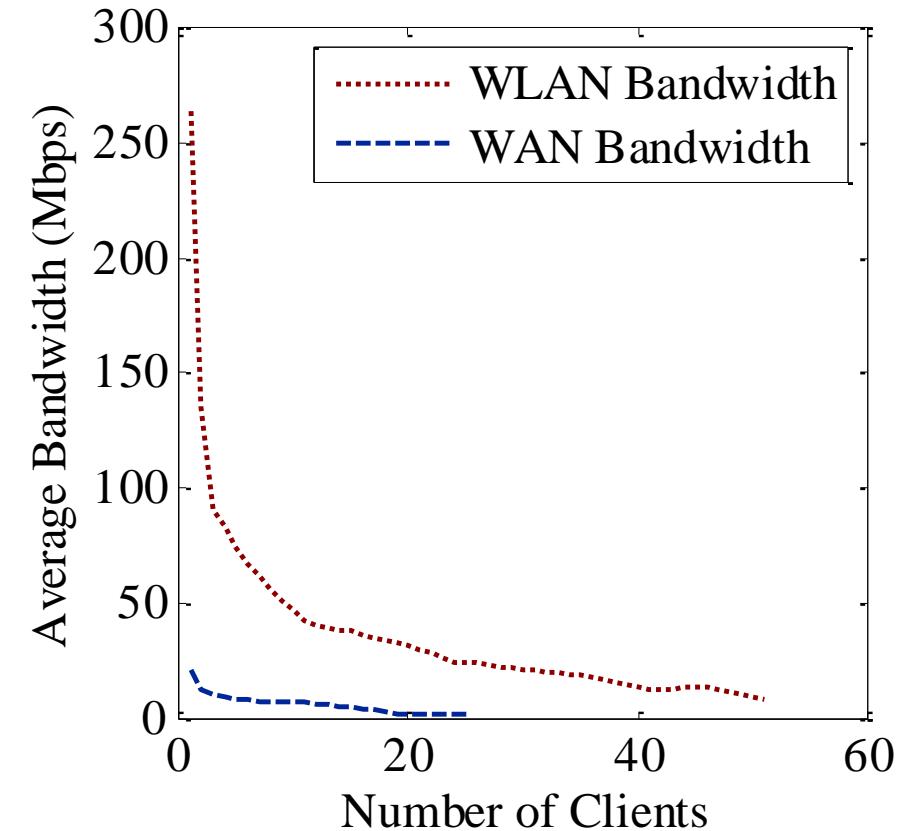
WAN Bandwidth Analysis Setup



Lenovo T550
Intel Core i7-5600U (2.6 Ghz)
Gigabit Ethernet
16 GB RAM

MacBook Pro Late 2011
Intel Core i7-2675QM (2.2 Ghz)
802.11n WiFi
8 GB RAM

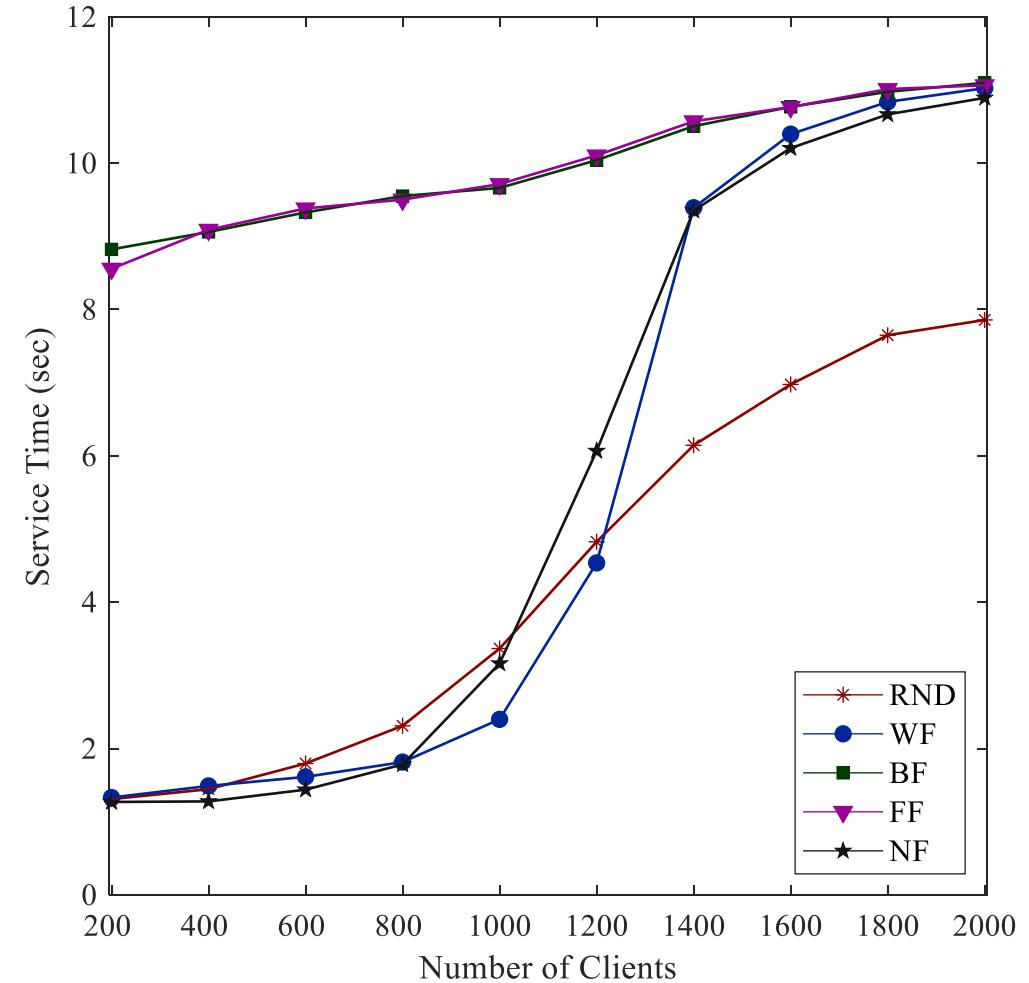
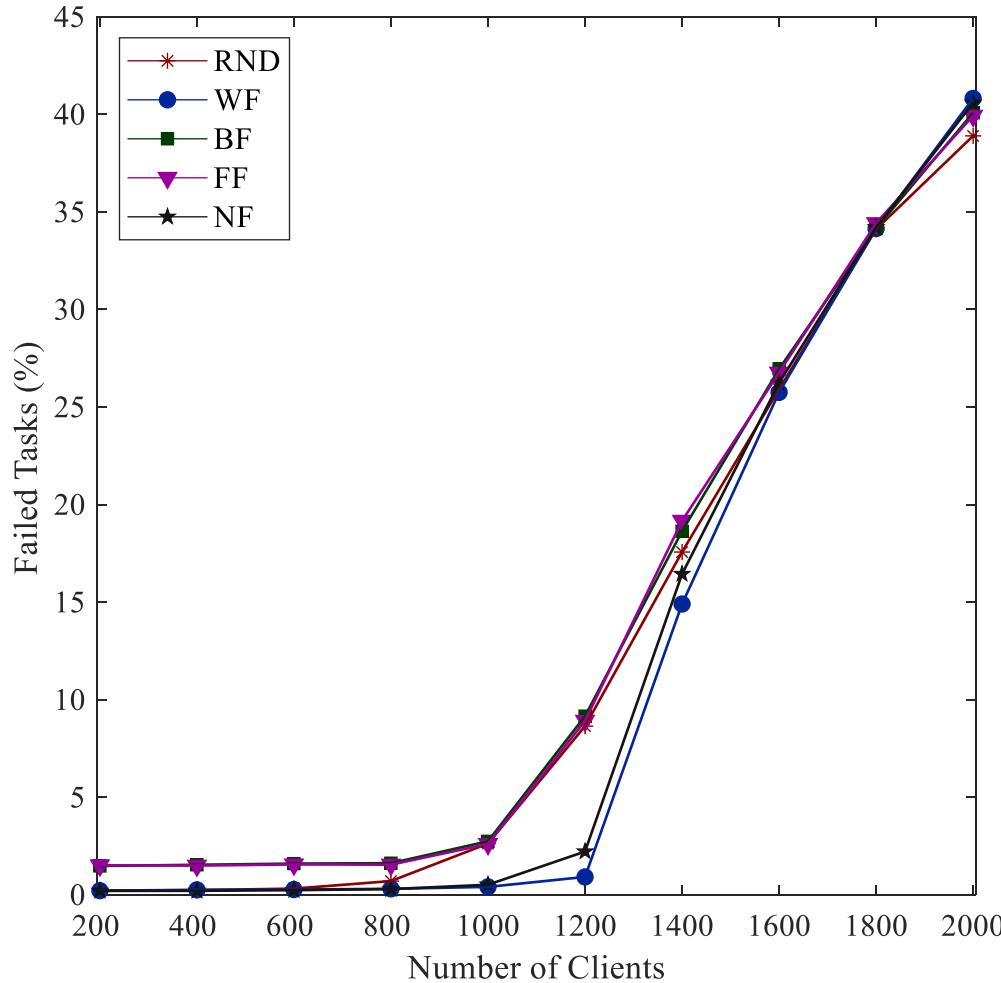
WLAN Bandwidth Analysis Setup



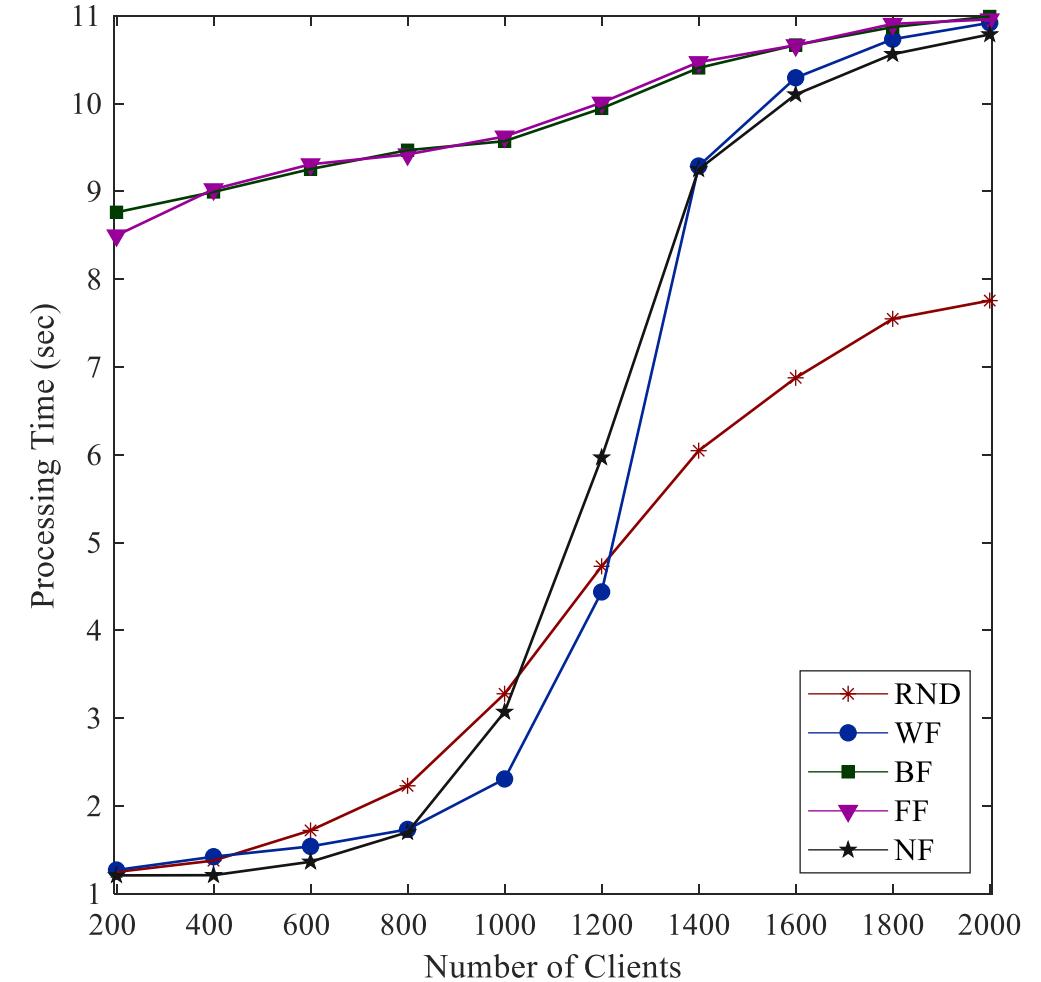
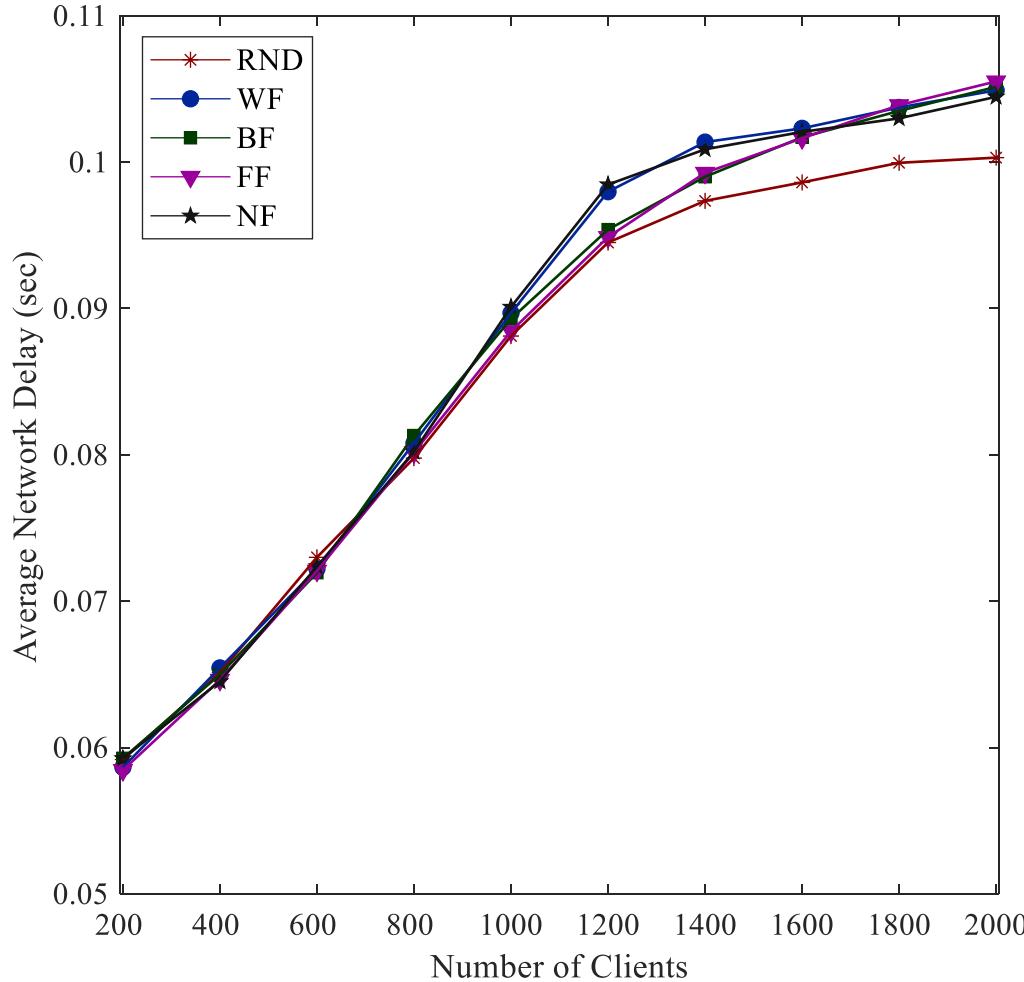
Simulation Parameters

Parameter	Value
Simulation Time/Warm-up Period	15/1 minutes
Number of Repetitions	10
WLAN Delay Model	Empirical
MAN Delay	Fixed (5 ms)
Number of VMs per Edge Host	8
Number of Cores per Edge VM	2
VM Processor Speed per Edge CPU	10 GIPS
Mobility Model	Nomadic Mobility
Number of Locations for Type 1/2/3 places	2/4/8
Mean waiting (dwell) time in Type 1/2/3 places	10/10/10 minutes

Important Simulation Results

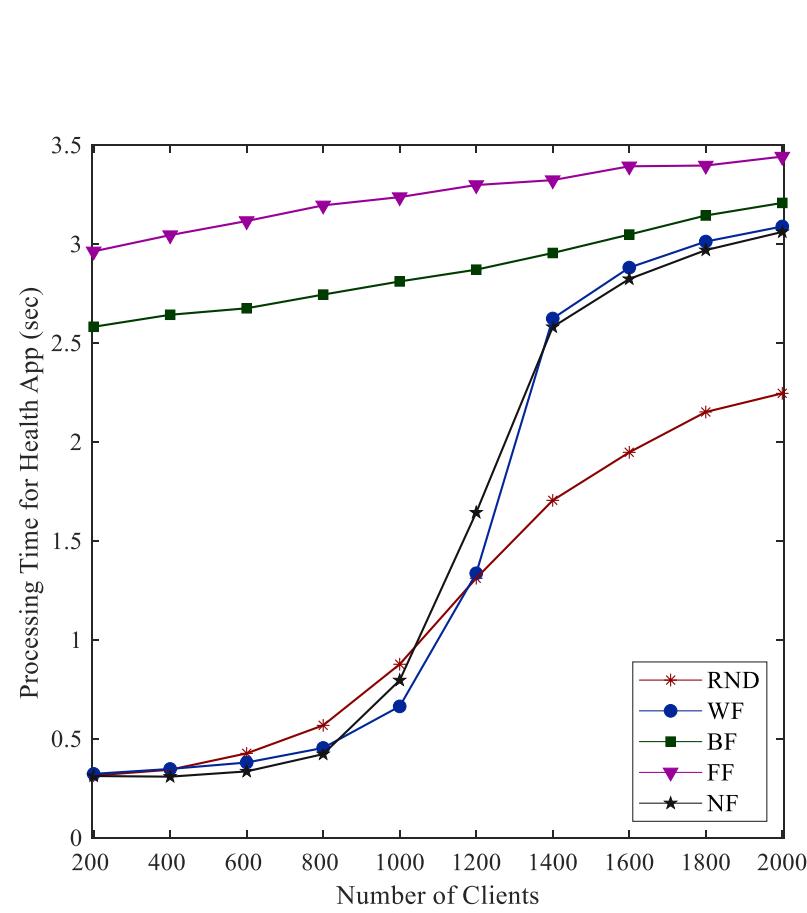


Service Time Analysis

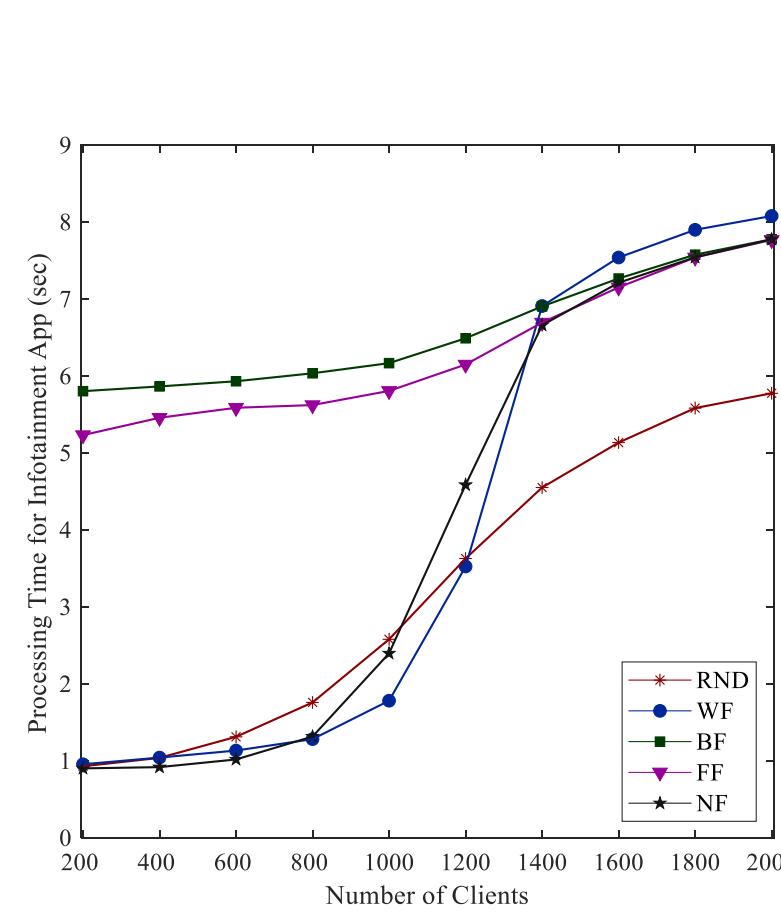


Processing time dominates the average service time

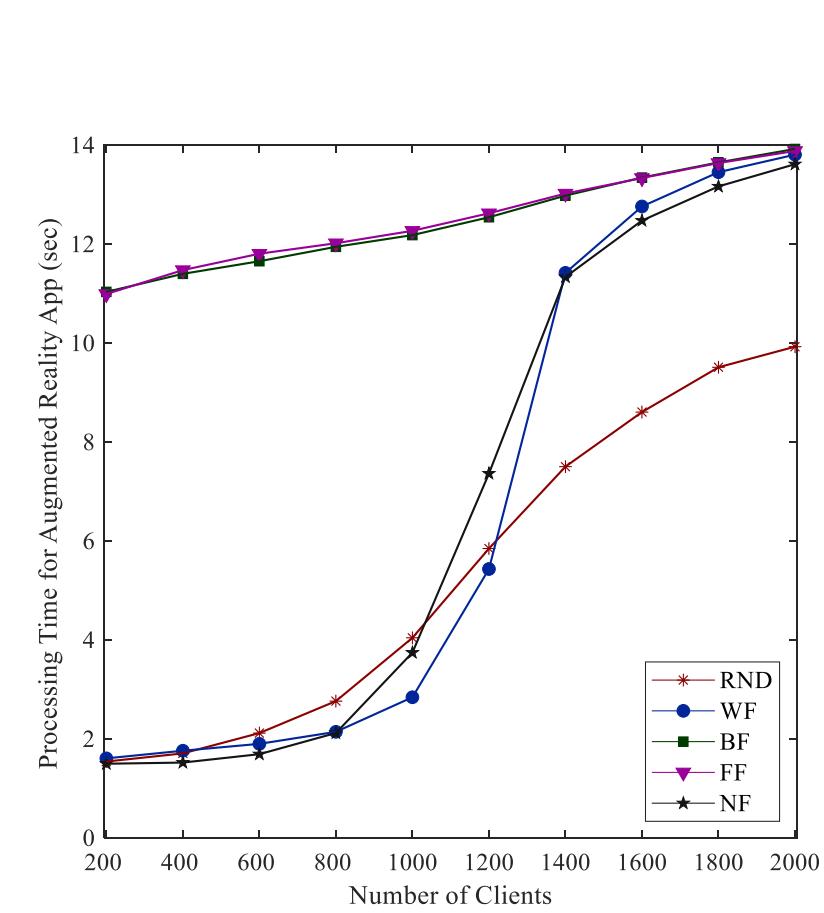
Processing Time per Task Types



Task Size: 3 GI



Task Size: 9 GI



Task Size: 15 GI



Case Study 2 – What to Offload

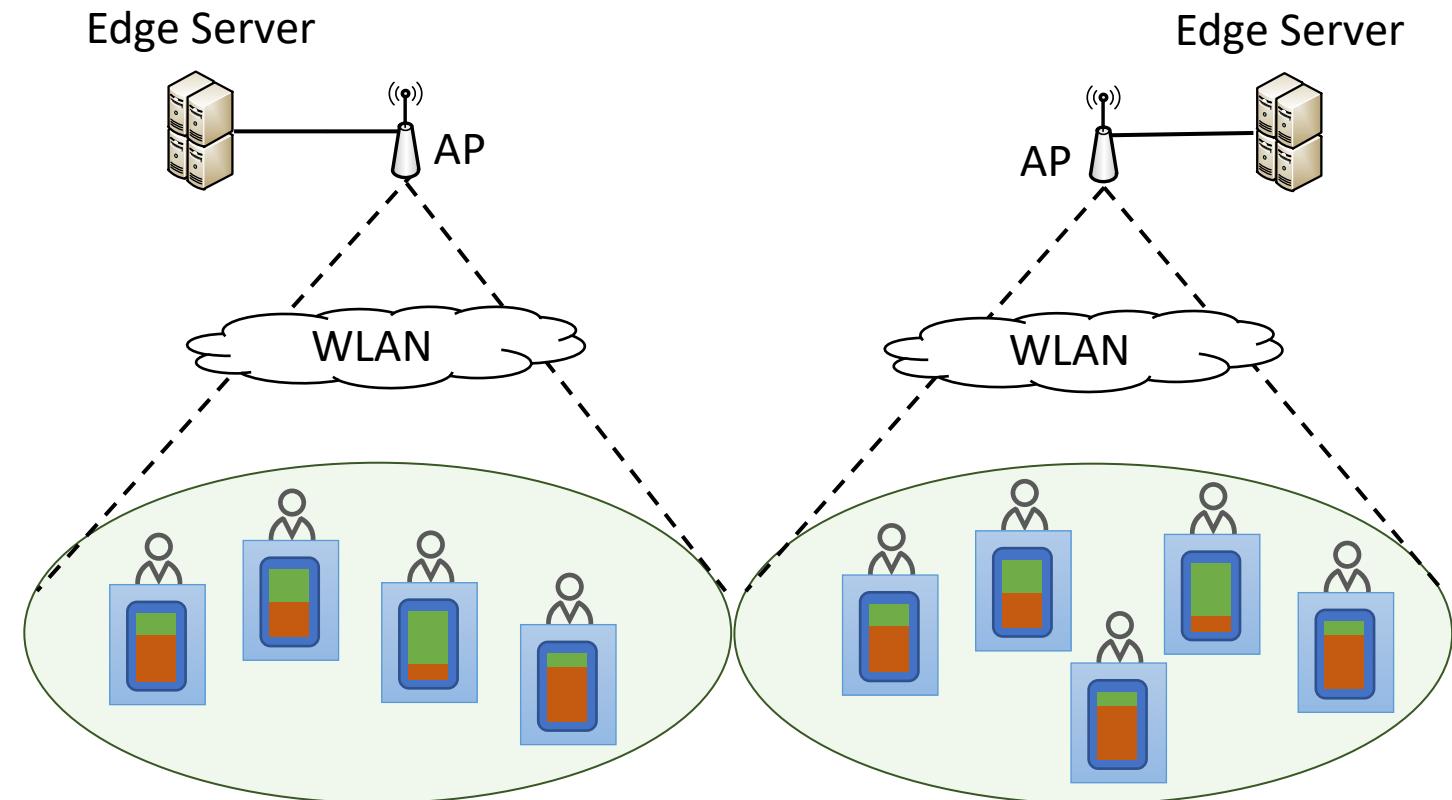
Performance Evaluation of Different Approaches that Decide Granularity of Task Offloading

Find the source code below:

[https://github.com/CagataySonmez/PerformanceEvaluationWithEdgeCloudSim
/tree/main/src/edu/boun/edgecloudsim/applications/scenario2](https://github.com/CagataySonmez/PerformanceEvaluationWithEdgeCloudSim/tree/main/src/edu/boun/edgecloudsim/applications/scenario2)

Simulation Scenario

- Mobile devices can operate tasks locally or offload them to the edge servers connected to the serving access point
- Edge servers operates a variable number of VMs
- Worst-fit VM provisioning (least loaded first) algorithm is used



Competitor Task Offloading Algorithms

- **Random:** A random VM is selected
- **Mobile Device Utilization Heuristic**

If average mobile device CPU utilization < 75 execute task locally
Otherwise, offload to edge server

- **Edge Utilization Heuristic**

If average edge server CPU utilization < 90 offload task to edge server
Otherwise, execute task locally

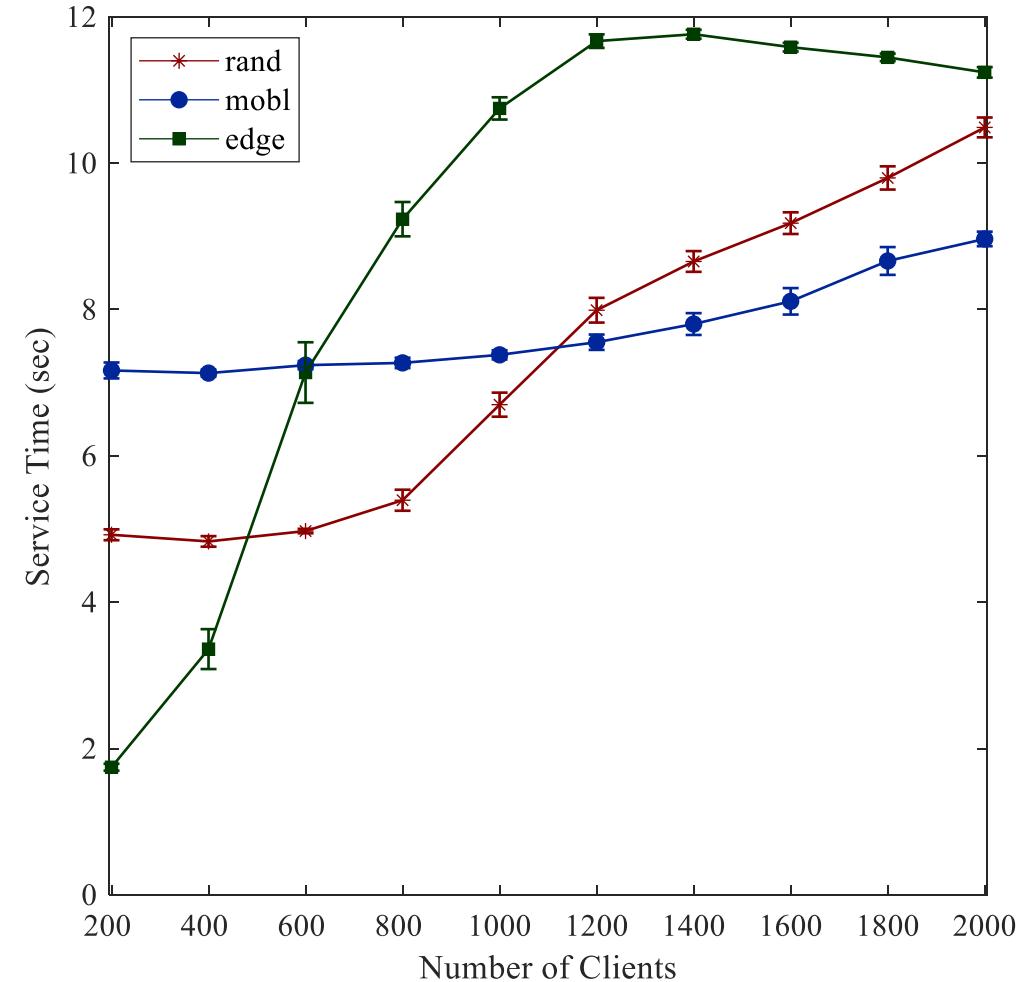
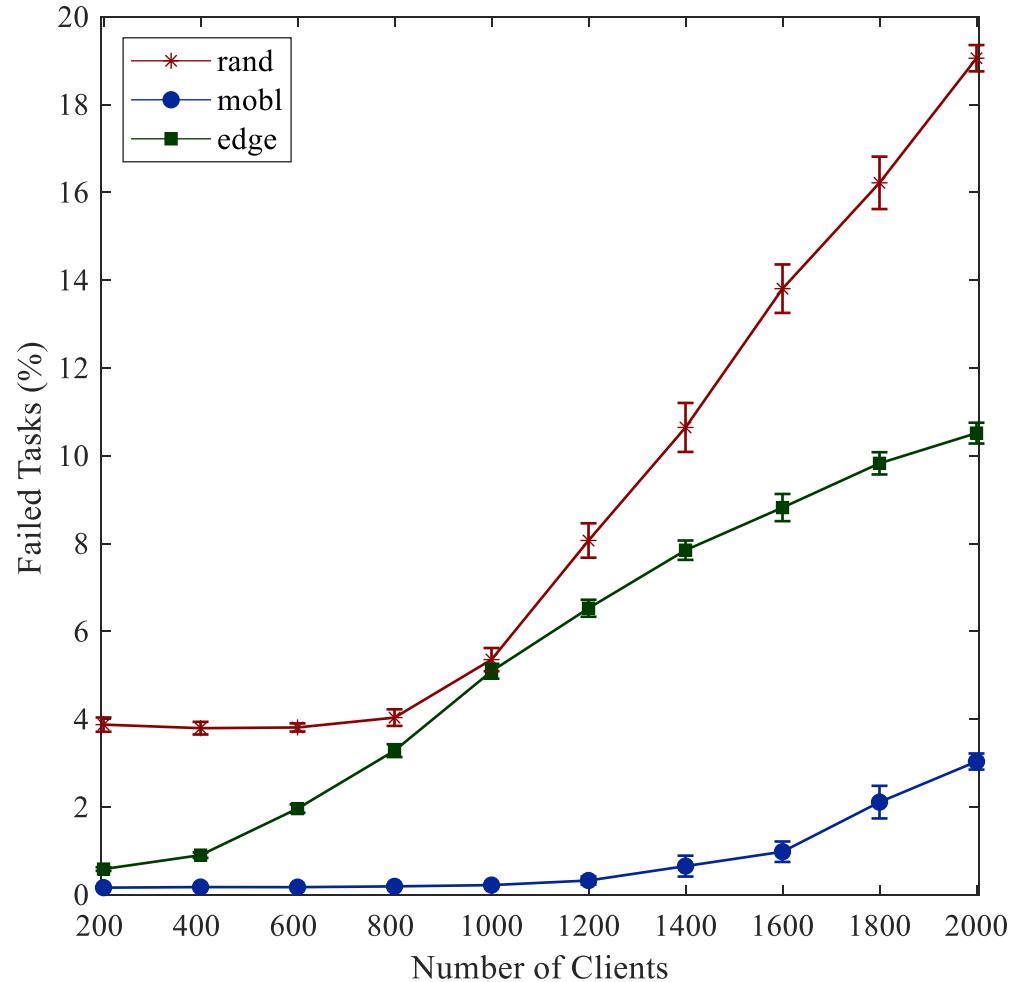
Applications Used in This Simulation

Parameter	Aug. Reality	Health	Infotainment
Usage Percentage (%)	30	30	40
Task Interarrival (sec)	2	3	5
Active/Idle Period (sec)	40/20	60/30	30/30
VM Utilization on Edge/Client (%)	5/20	2/8	4/1
Task Length (GI)	20	8	16
Upload/Download Data (KB)	3000/1000	900/500	2000/4000

Simulation Parameters

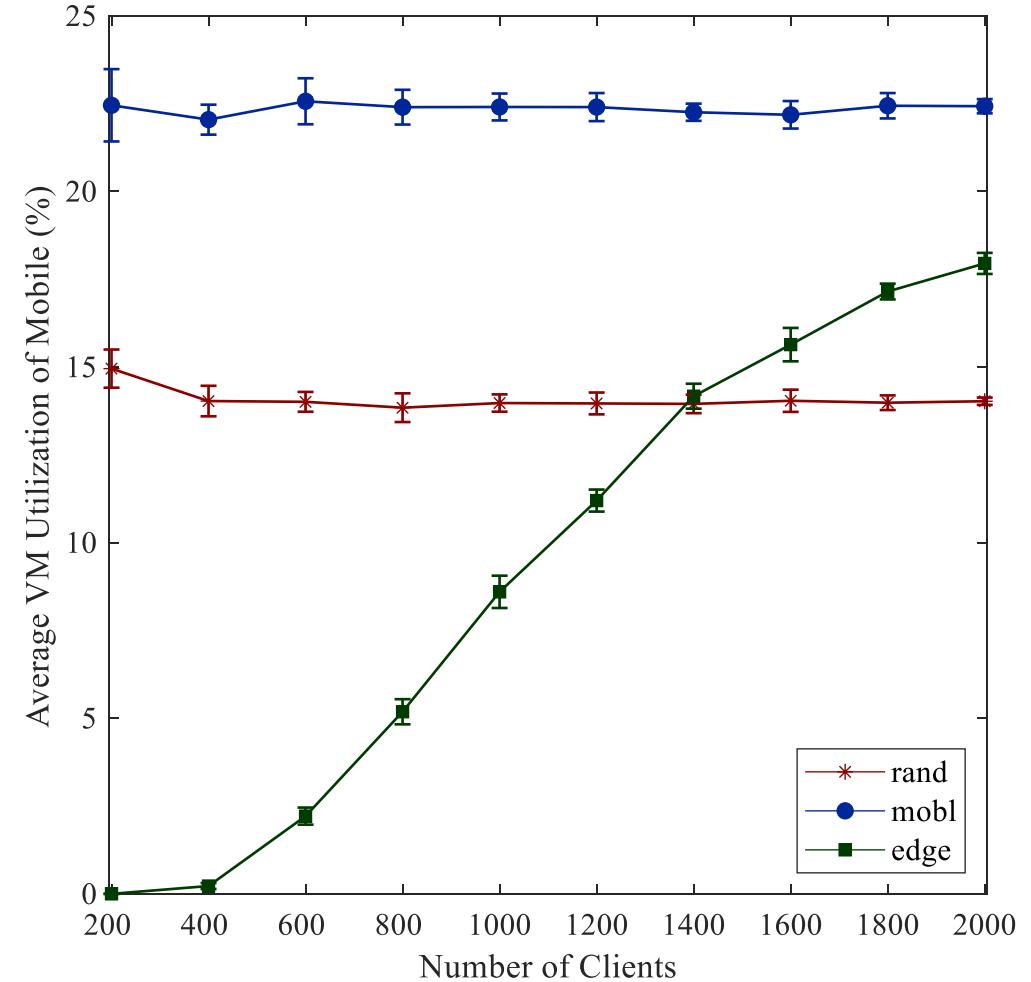
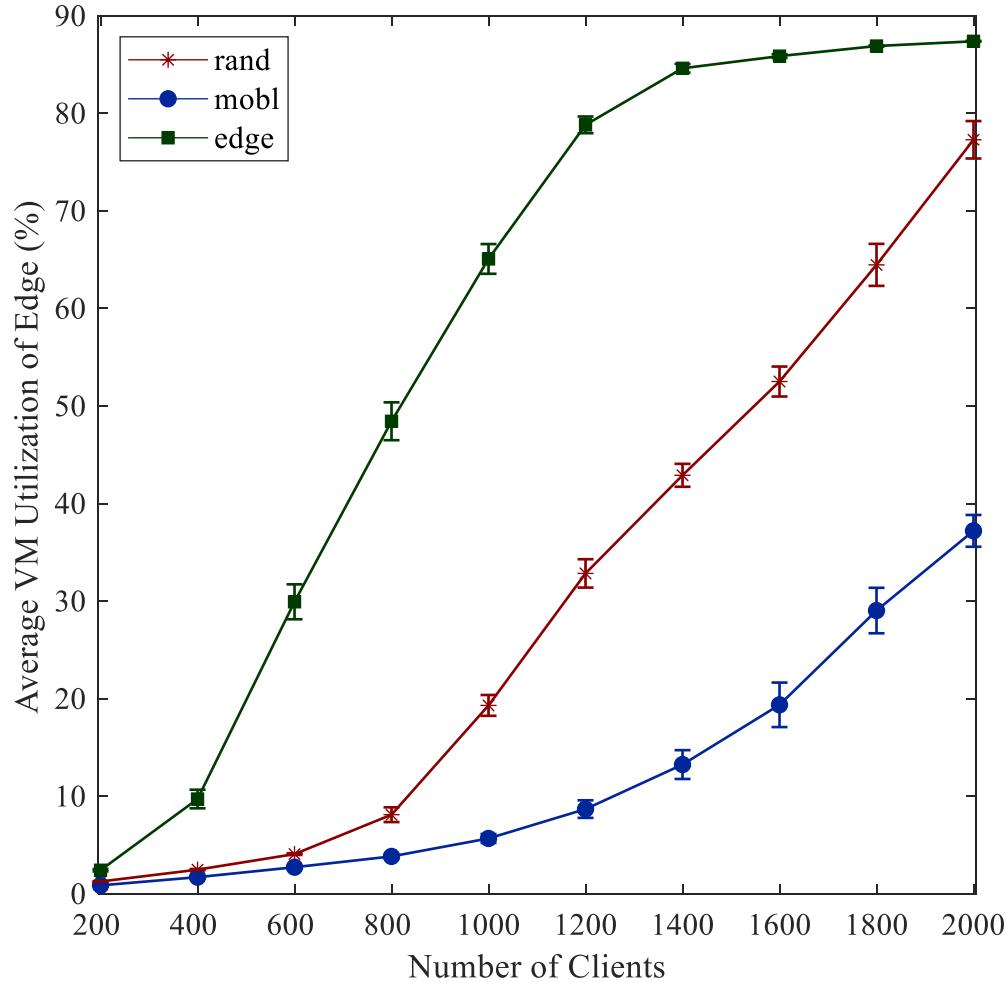
Parameter	Value
Simulation Time/Warm-up Period	15/1 minutes
Number of Repetitions	10
WLAN Delay Model	Empirical
MAN Delay	Fixed (5 ms)
Number of VMs per Edge/Mobile Host	8/1
Number of Cores per Edge/Mobile VM	2/1
VM Processor Speed per Edge/Mobile CPU	10/4 GIPS
Mobility Model	Nomadic Mobility
Number of locations for Type 1/2/3 places	2/4/8
Mean waiting (dwell) time in Type 1/2/3 places	10/6.6/3.3 minutes

Important Simulation Results

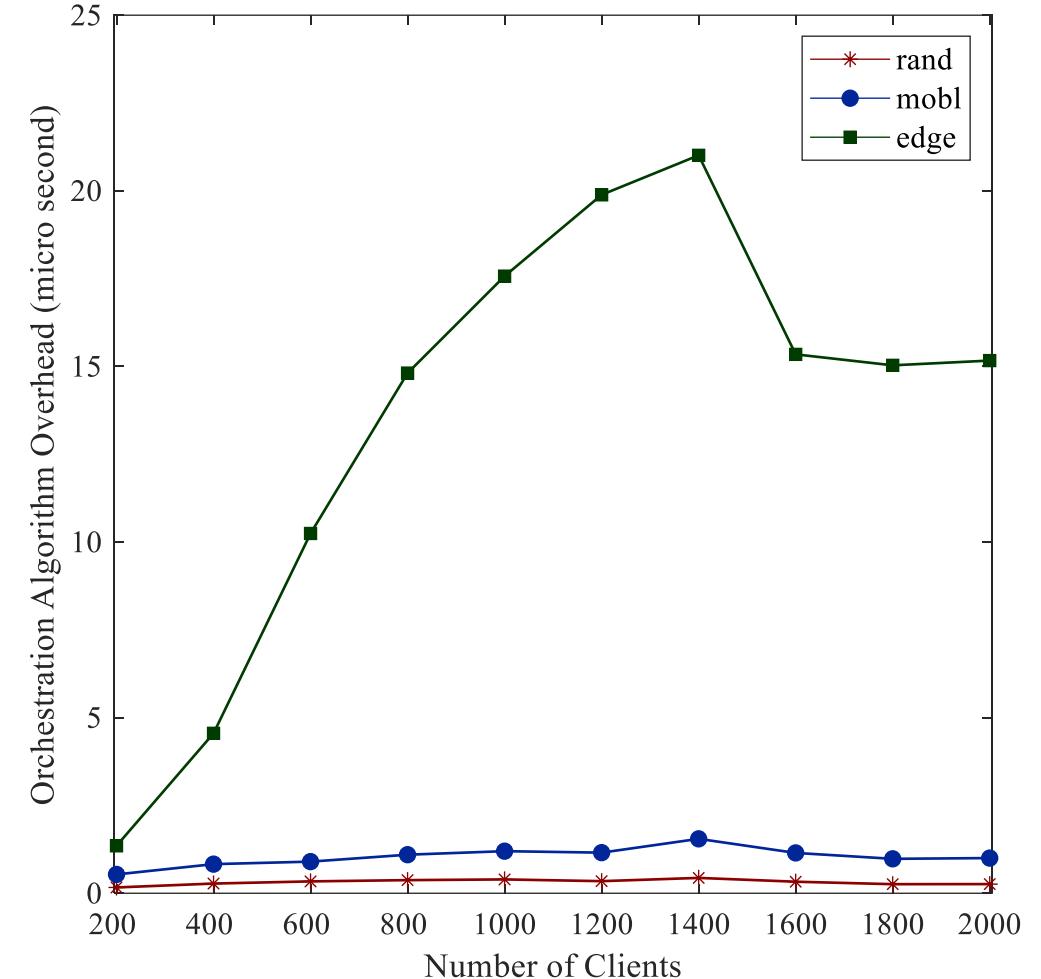
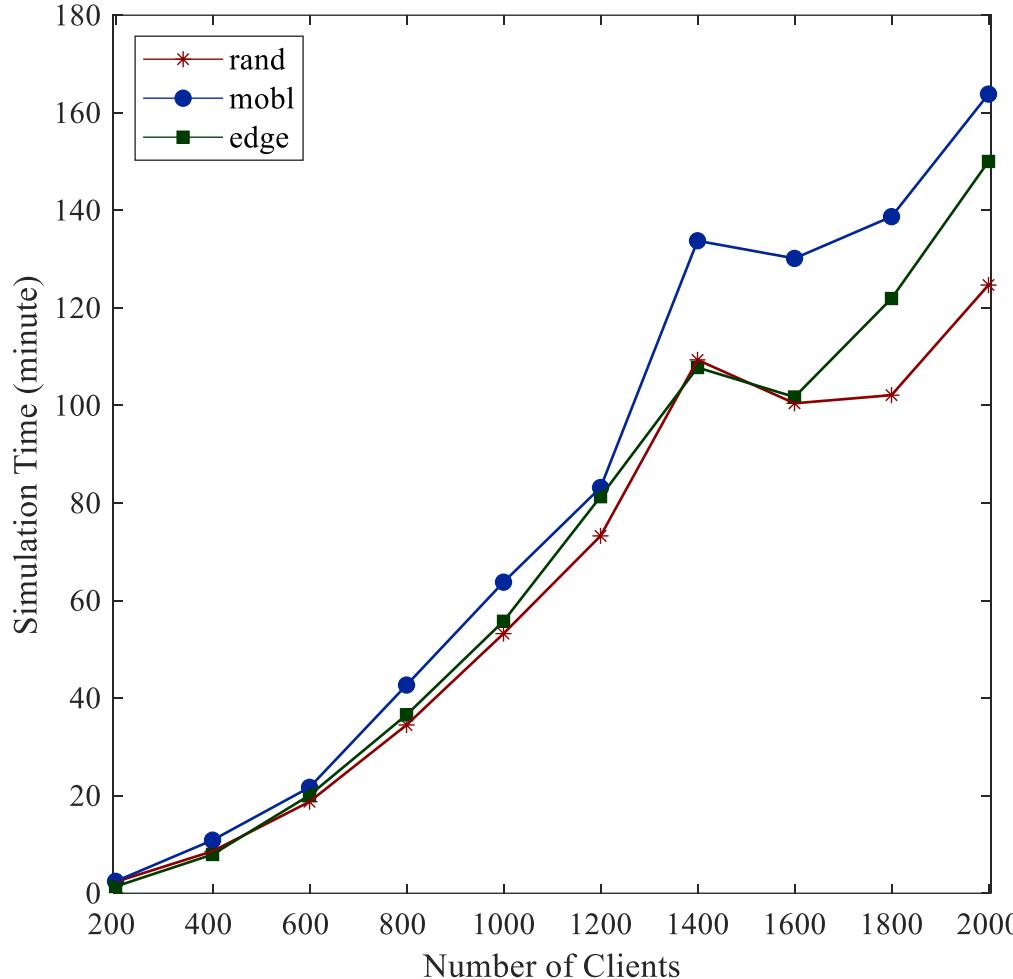


Graph is plotted with 95% confidence interval error bars

VM Utilization Analysis



Complexity Analysis



★ The results are highly dependent to host machine load while running the simulation!



Case Study 3 – Where to Offload

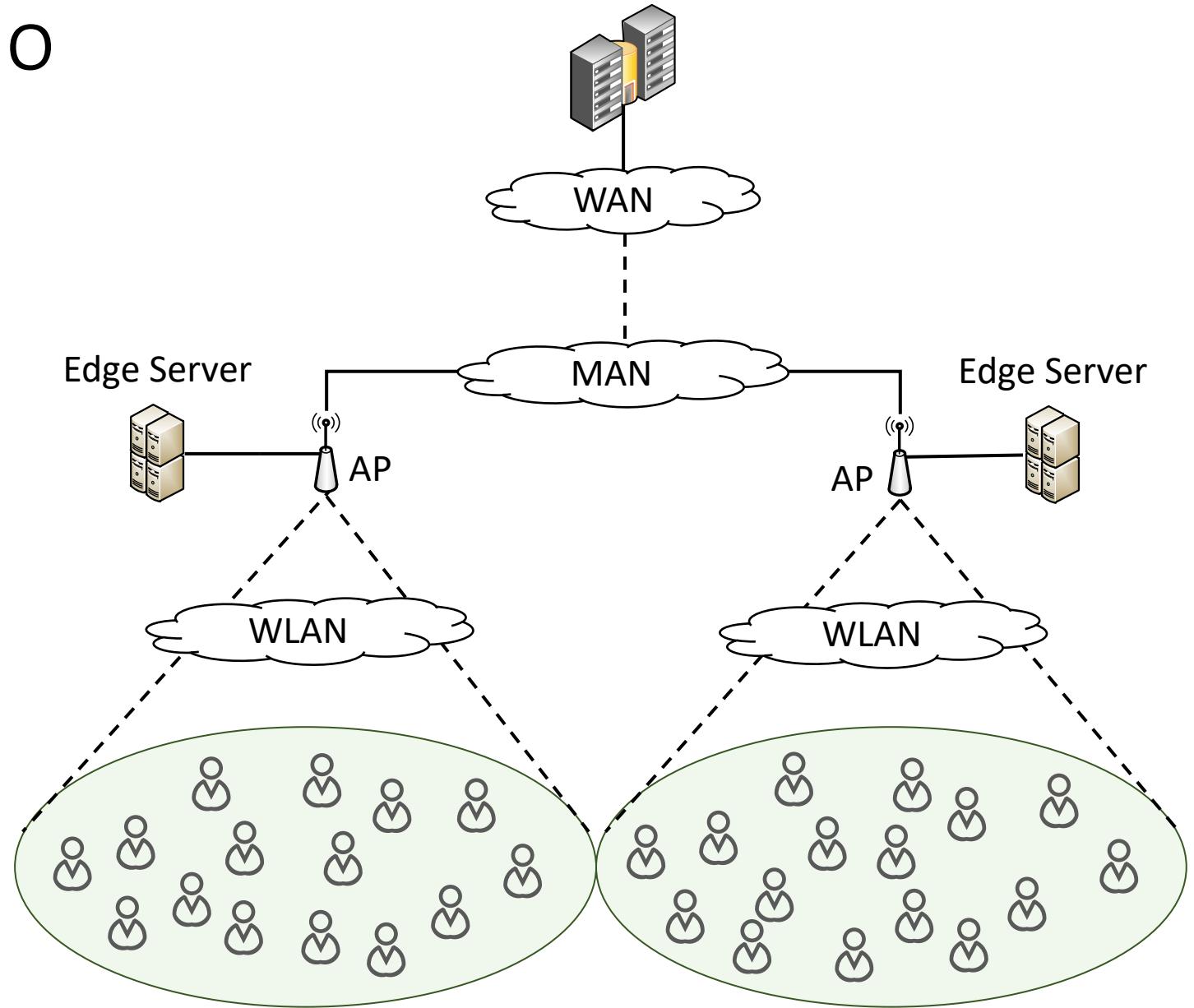
Performance Evaluation of Different Workload Orchestration Policies

Find the source code below:

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/tree/main/src/edu/boun/edgecloudsim/applications/scenario3](https://github.com/CagataySonmez/PerformanceEvaluationWithEdgeCloudSim/tree/main/src/edu/boun/edgecloudsim/applications/scenario3)

Simulation Scenario

- Mobile can offload tasks to edge or cloud servers
- Worst-fit VM provisioning (least loaded first) algorithm is used
- If the task is sent to another edge server outside the connected network, it is transmitted via MAN
- WLAN and WAN delays are modeled independently, so the WLAN is not affected if task is sent to remote server



Competitor Edge Orchestration Algorithms

- **Random:** A random server is selected to offload task
- **Edge Server Utilization Heuristic**

If average edge servers CPU utilization > 75, offload task to cloud server
Otherwise, offload task to edge servers

- **Network Utilization Heuristic**

If WAN bandwidth > 5 Mbps, offload task to cloud server
Otherwise, offload task to edge servers

Applications Used in This Simulation

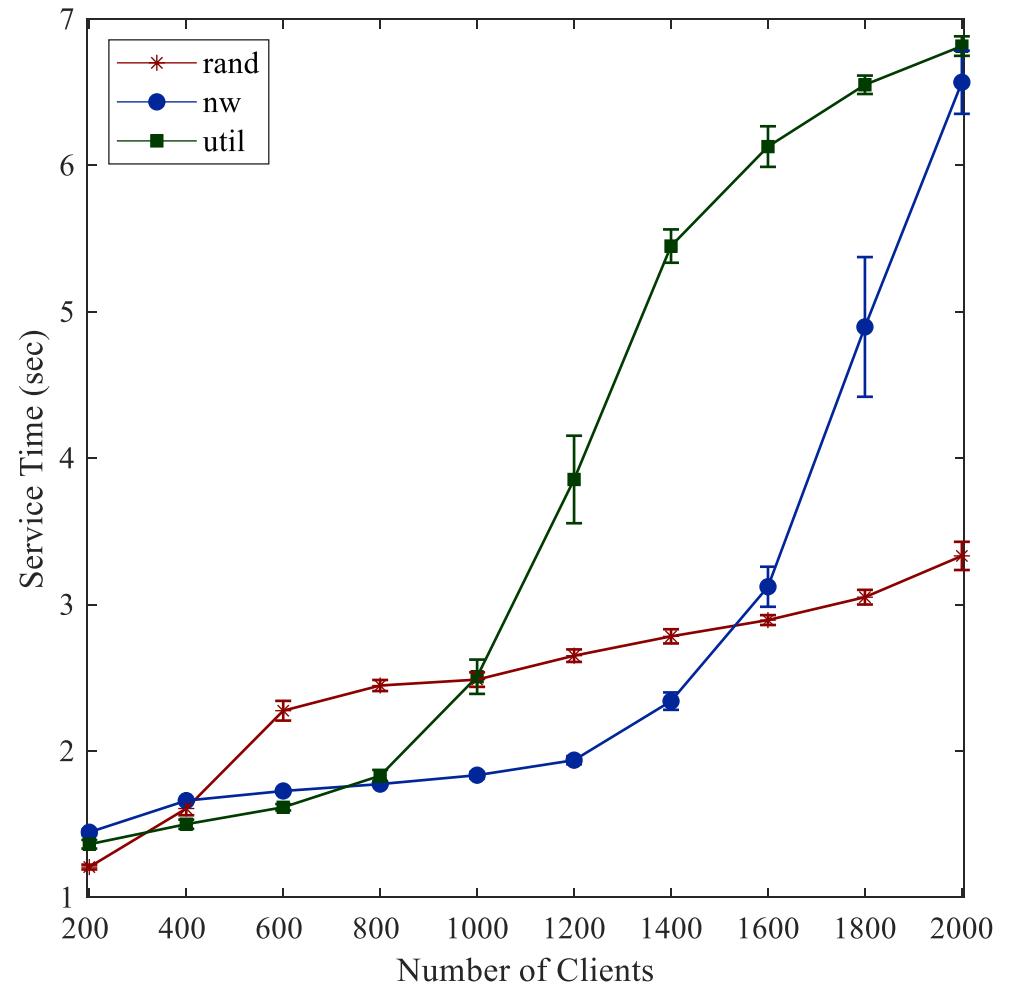
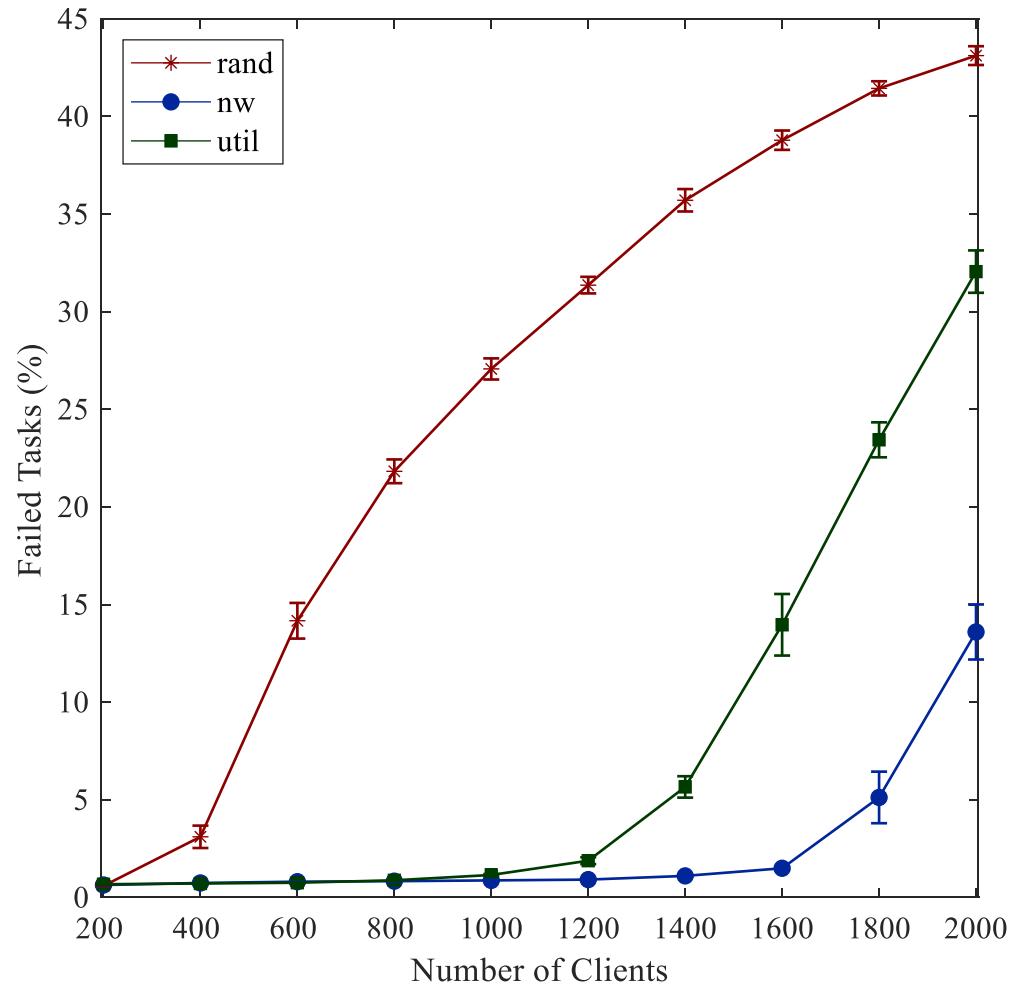
Parameter	Aug. Reality	Health	Infotainment
Usage Percentage (%)	30	20	50
Task Interarrival (sec)	2	3	7
Active/Idle Period (sec)	40/20	45/90	30/45
VM Utilization on Edge/Cloud (%)	6/0.6	2/0.2	10/1
Task Length (GI)	15	3	9
Upload/Download Data (KB)	1500/50	50/1250	250/1000

Should be 3.6/0.36; This bug is fixed in GitHub!

Simulation Parameters

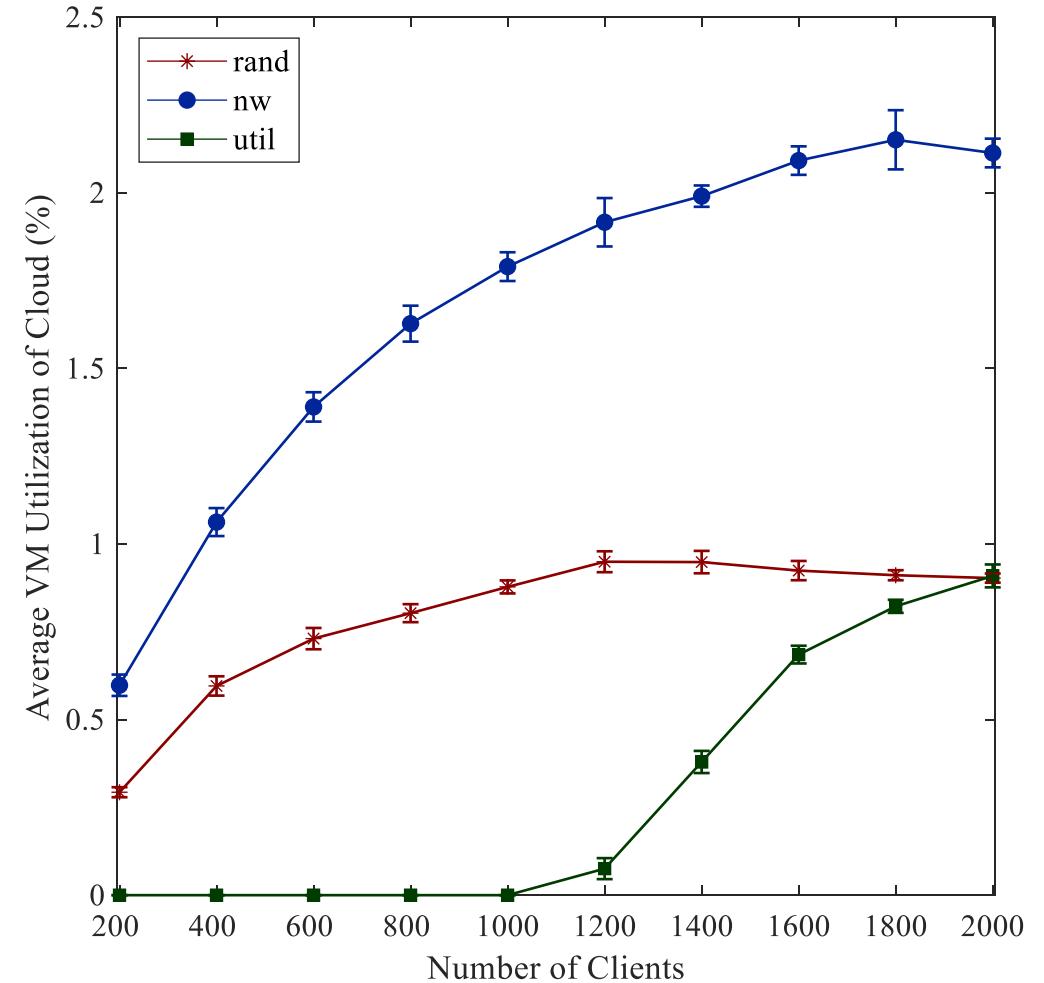
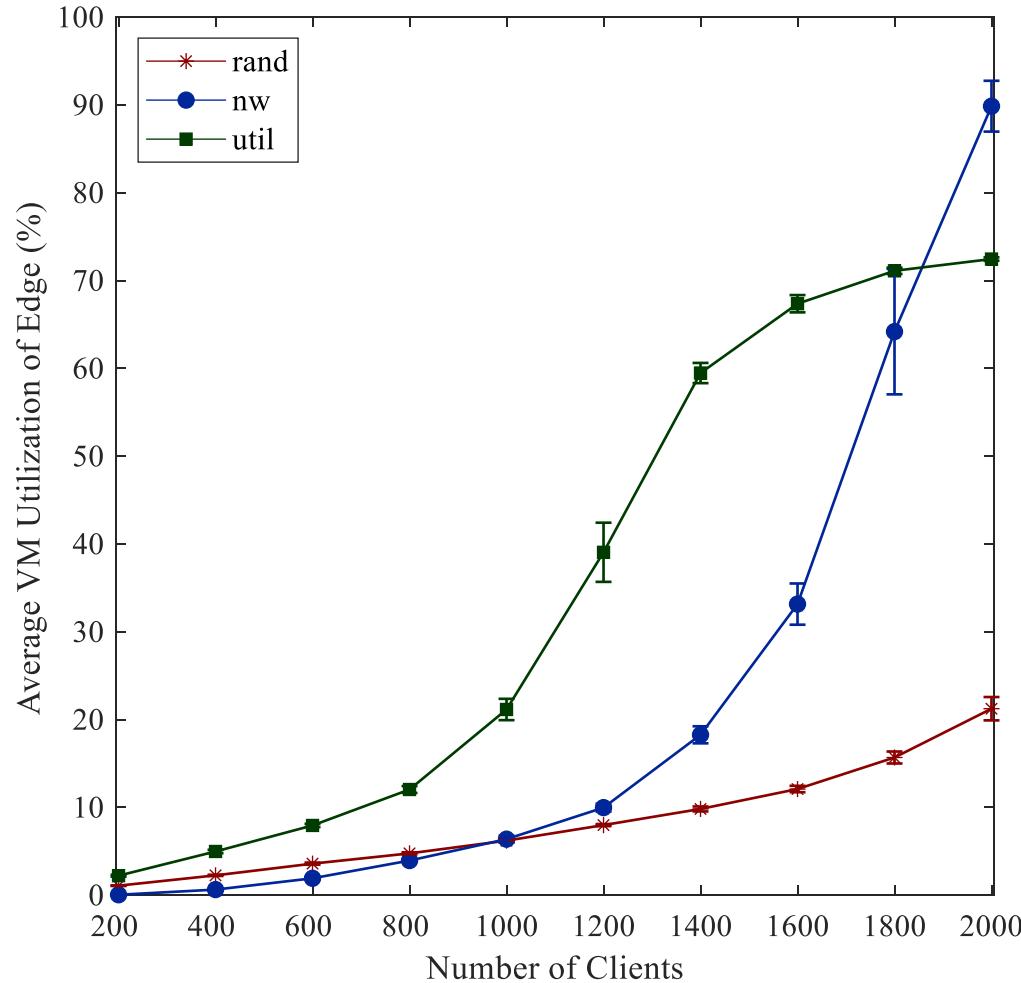
Parameter	Value
Simulation Time/Warm-up Period	15/1 minutes
Number of Repetitions	10
WAN/WLAN Delay Model	Empirical
MAN Delay	Fixed (5 ms)
Number of VMs per Edge/Cloud Host	8/4
Number of Cores per Edge/Cloud VM	2/4
VM Processor Speed per Edge/Cloud CPU	10/100 GIPS
Mobility Model	Nomadic Mobility
Number of Locations for Type 1/2/3 Places	2/4/8
Mean waiting time in Type 1/2/3 Places	8/5/2 minutes

Important Simulation Results



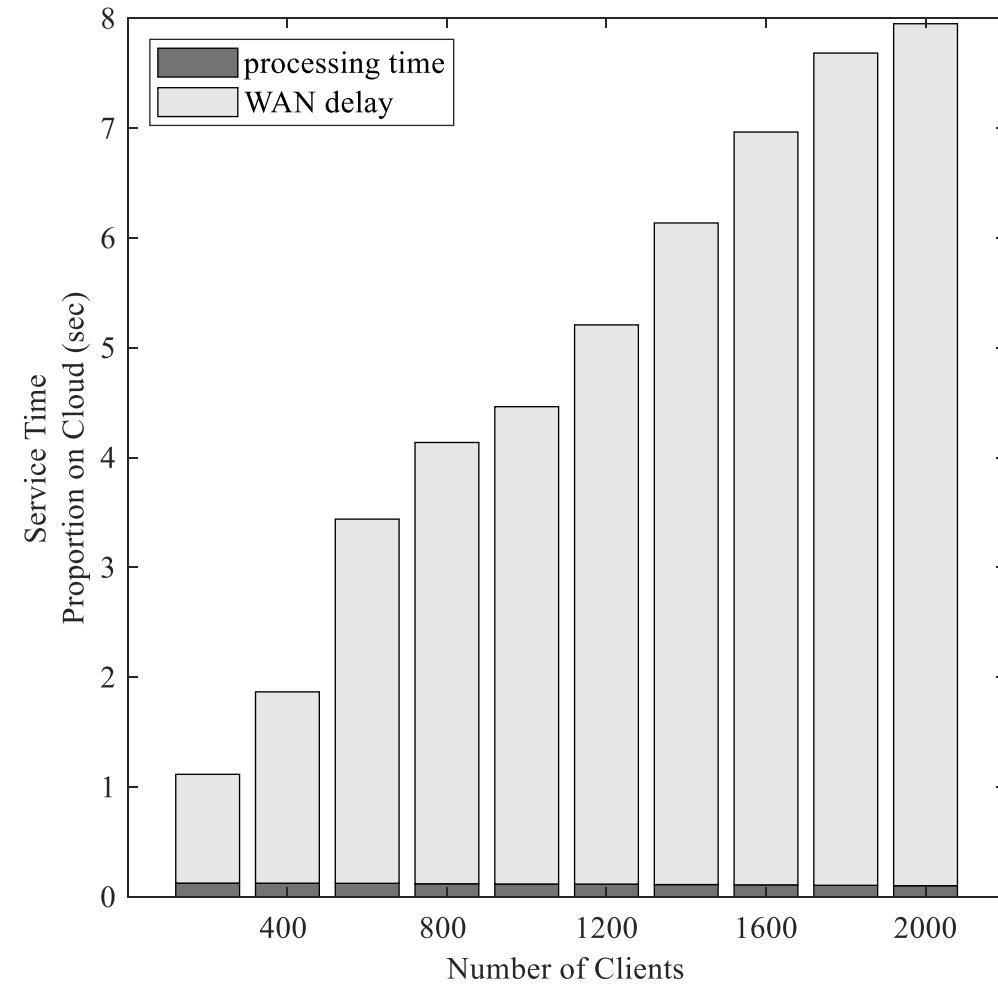
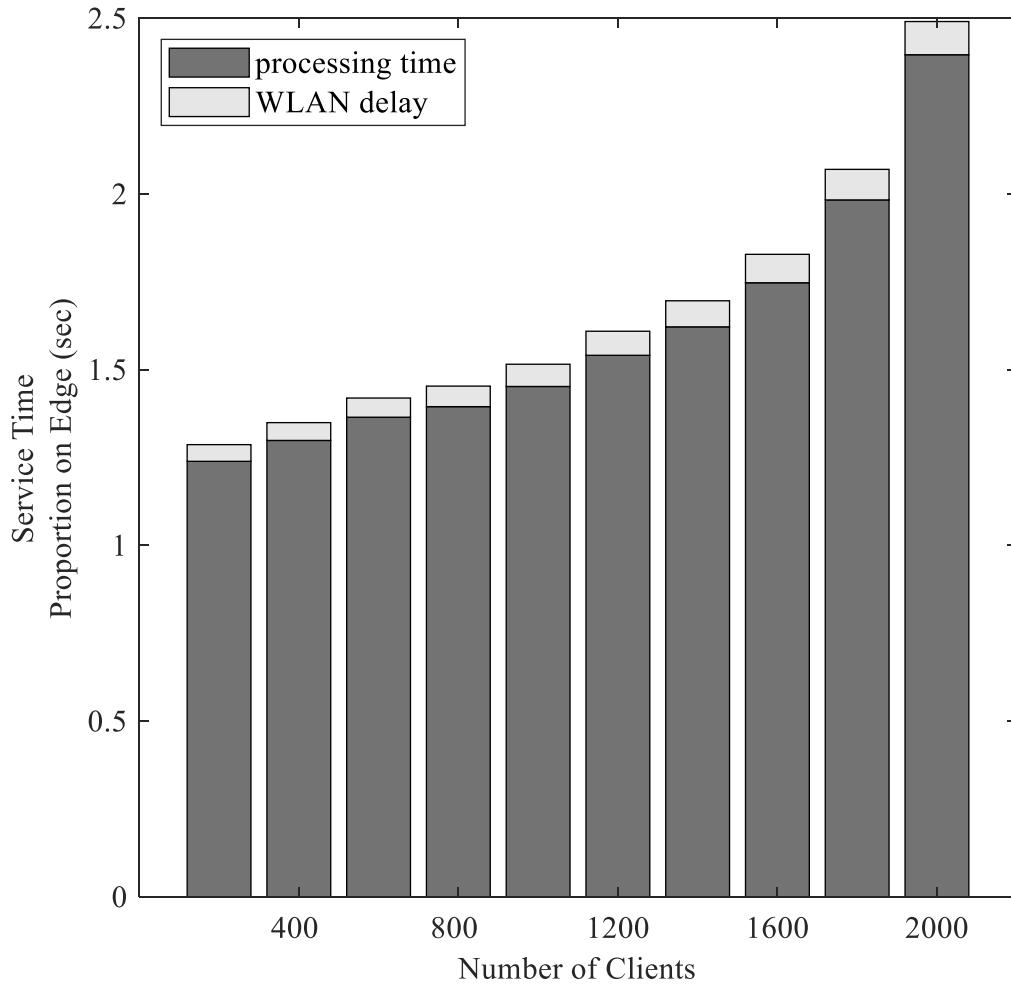
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VM Utilization Analysis



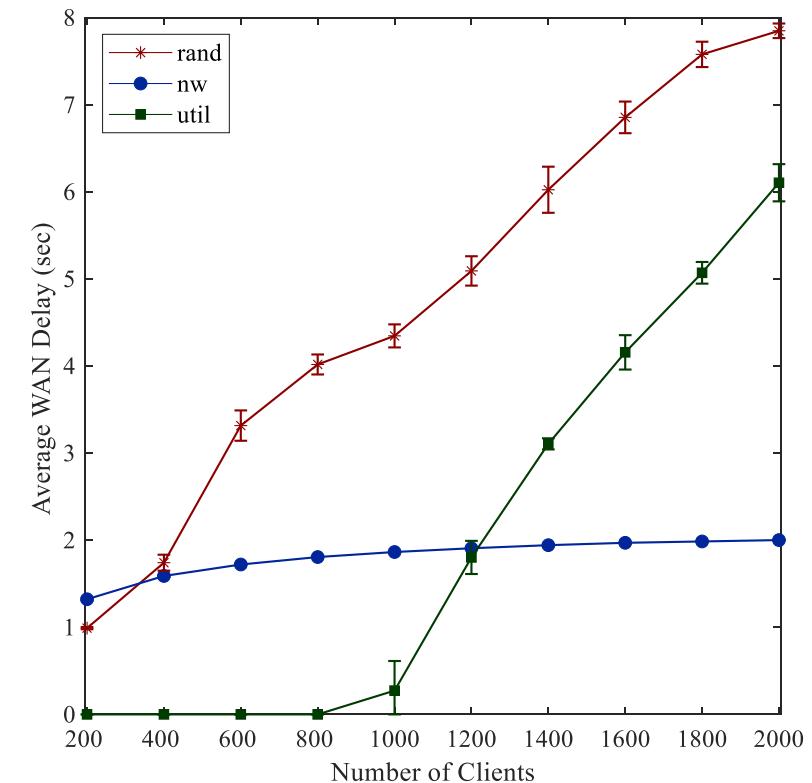
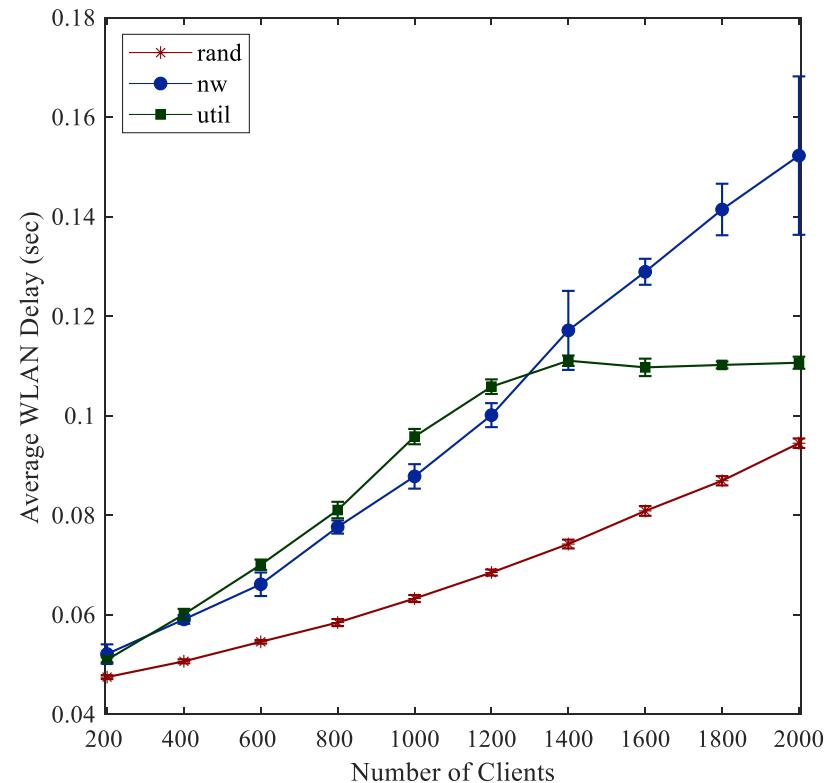
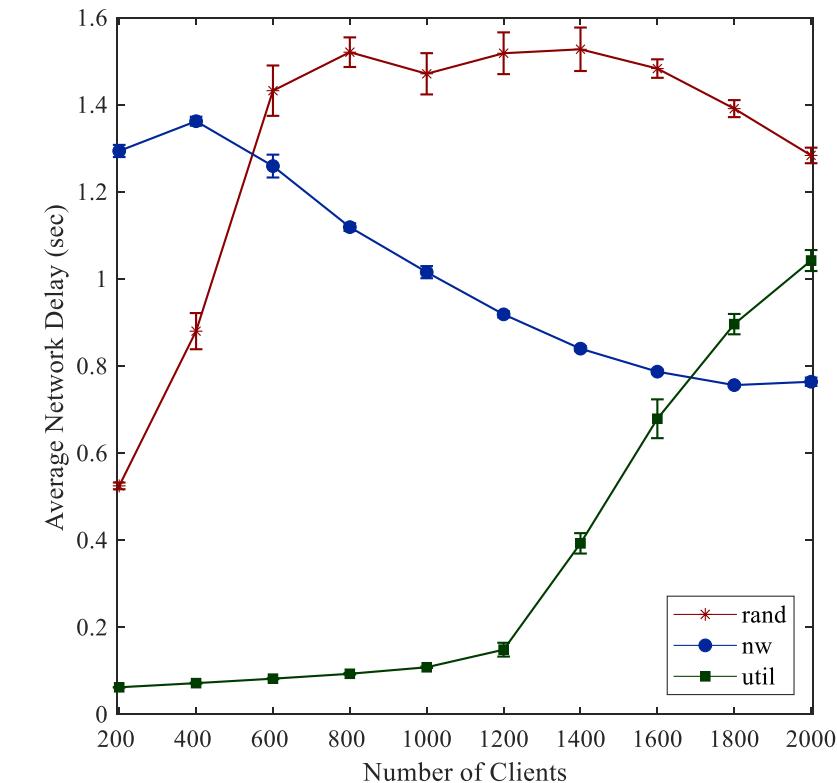
The cloud is mostly considered to be an endless pool of resources

Service Time Analysis



★ Processing time is a problem for the Edge and WAN delay for the Cloud servers

Network Delay Analysis



WAN delay dominates the average network delay



Case Study 4 – Server Capacity Planning

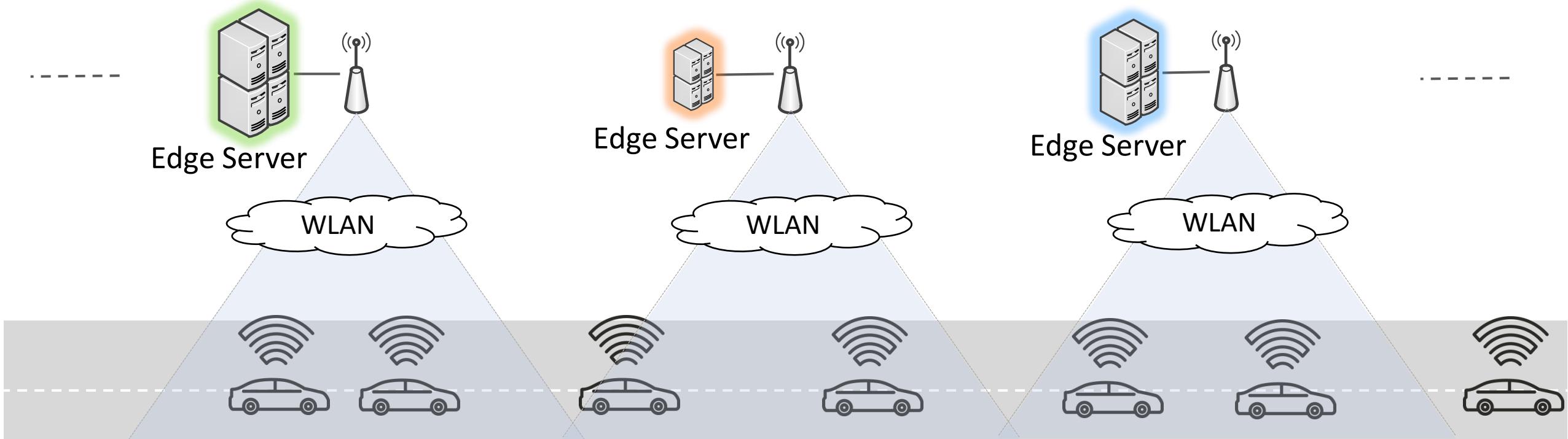
Performance Evaluation of Different Capacity Planning Approaches

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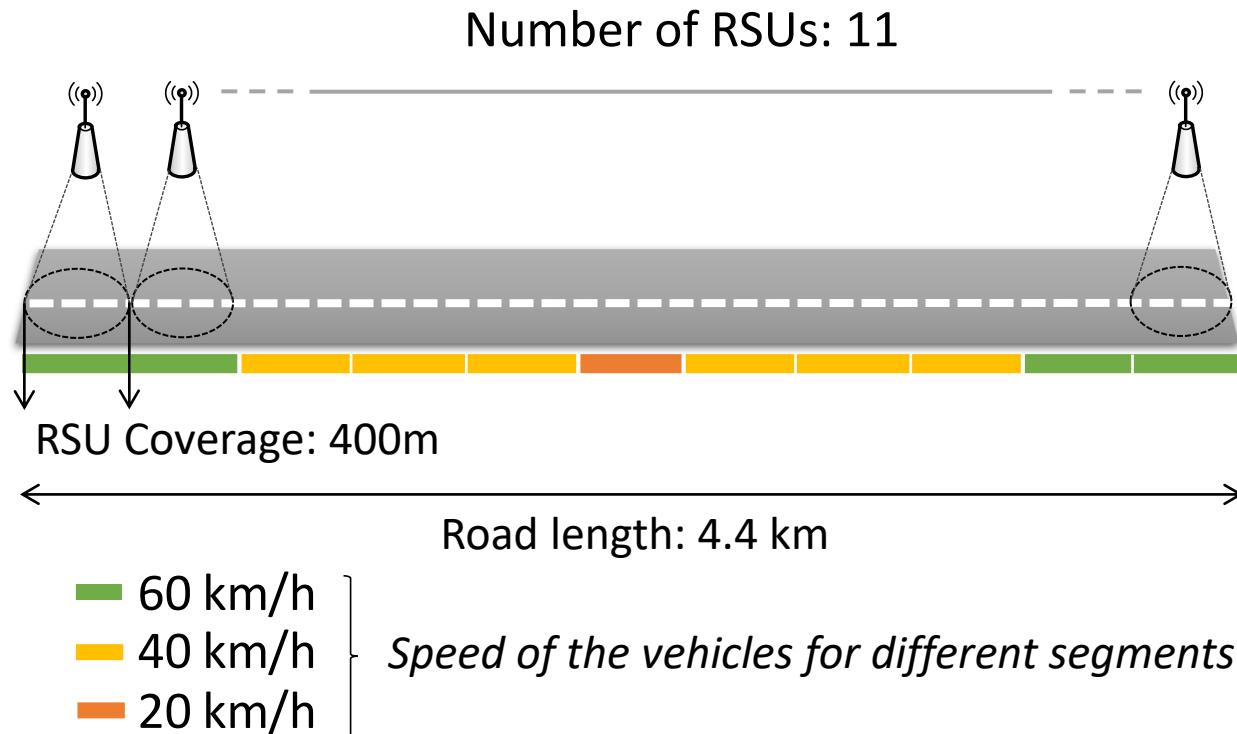
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Simulation Scenario

- Vehicles can only offload task to the edge servers connected to the serving access point
- Edge servers run host machines of varying capacity
- This scenario compares different edge server capacity planning algorithms



Vehicular Mobility Model



- A **smart highway** environment is simulated
- 1000 to 2000 vehicles traveling on a circular road
- Dynamic velocity values based on the vehicle position is used

Competitor Capacity Planning Algorithms

➤ RANDOM CAPACITY

- Total capacity is randomly assigned (allocated) to hosts
- Total capacity is 220 GIPS

➤ EQUAL CAPACITY

- Total capacity is equally distributed to the hosts
- 20 GIPS computing capacity for all hosts

➤ TRAFFIC DENSITY HEURISTIC

- Total capacity is distributed to the hosts in proportion to the intensity of the traffic
- 44 GIPS computing capacity for the hosts in high density areas
- 20 GIPS computing capacity for the hosts in medium density areas
- 14 GIPS computing capacity for the hosts in low density areas

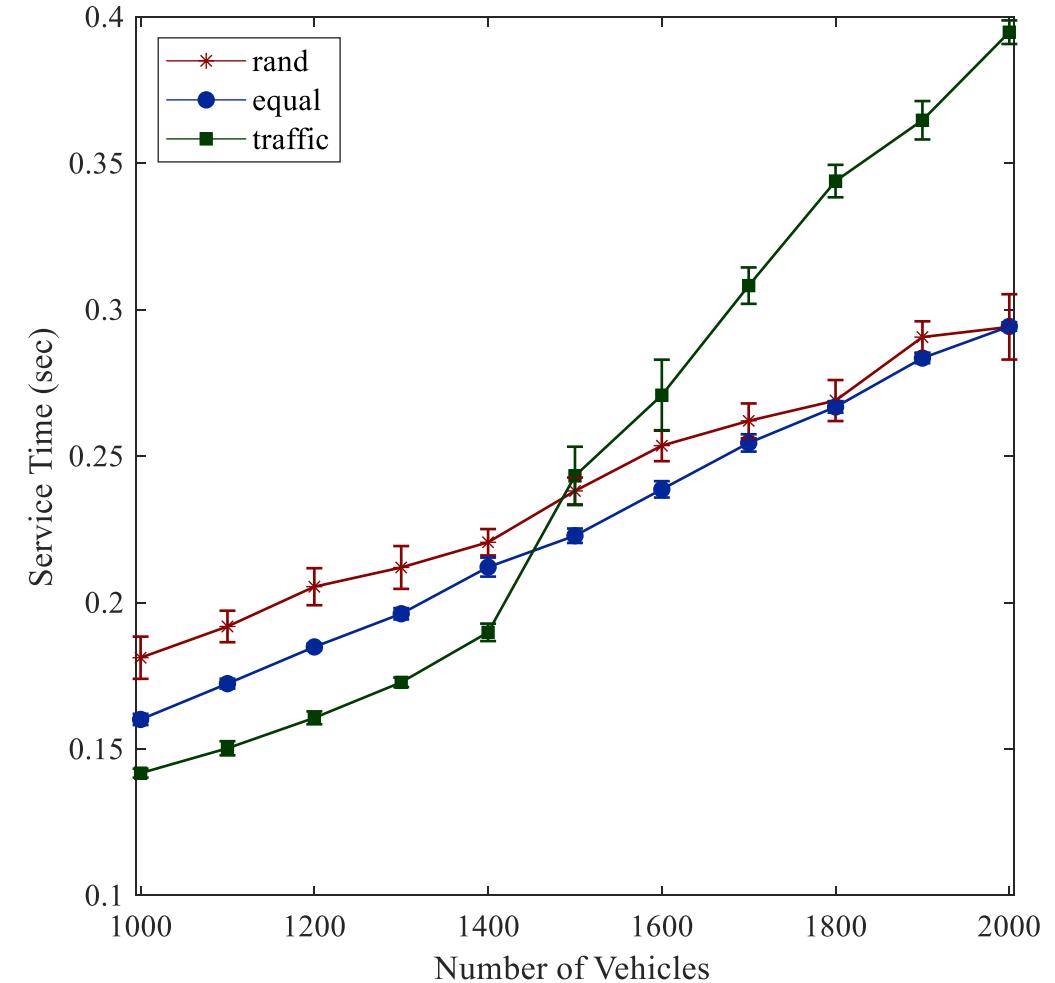
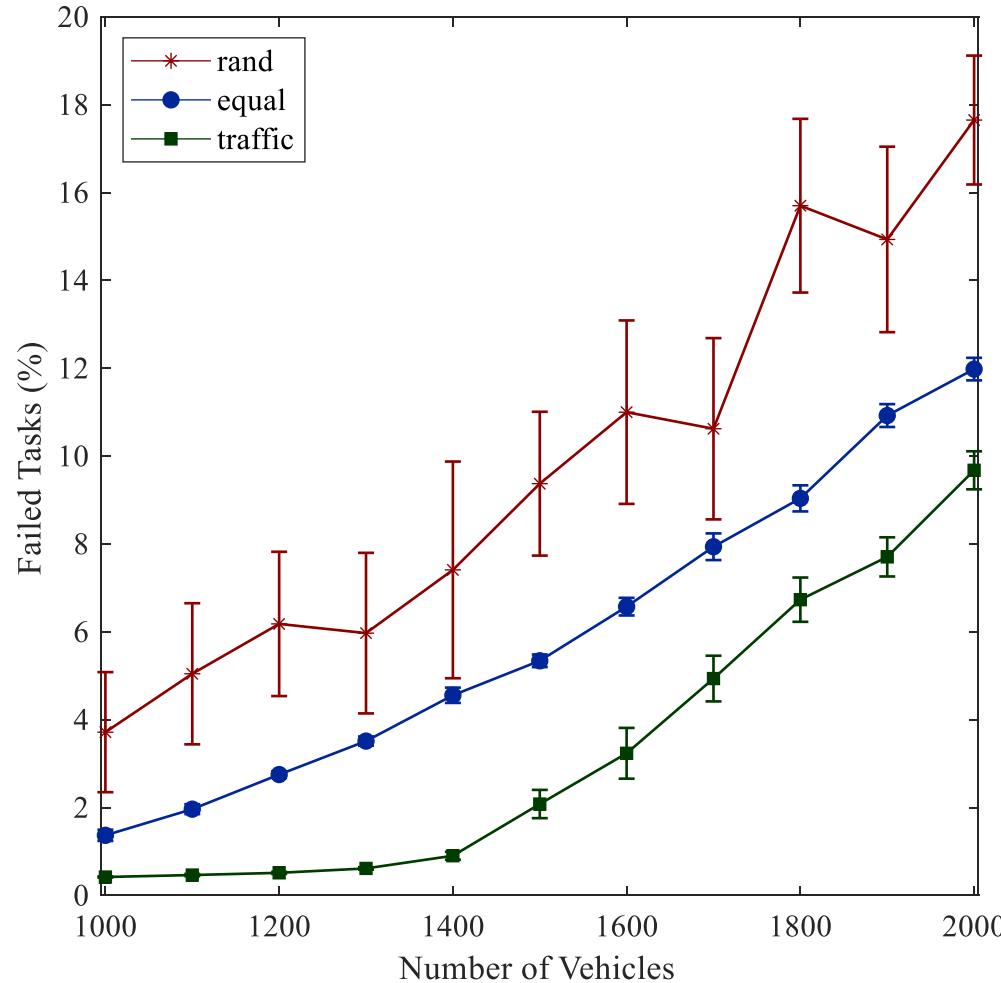
Applications Used in This Simulations

Parameter	Navigation	Danger	Infotainment
	App	Assessment	App
Usage Ratio (%)	50	25	25
Task Interarrival Time (sec)	3	5	15
Active/Idle Period (min)	always/0	always/0	always/0
Upload/Download Data (KB)	350/350	500/350	350/500
Task Length (MI)	600	1000	1600
RSU/Edge VM Utilization(%)	6/1.6	20/4	40/8

Simulation Parameters

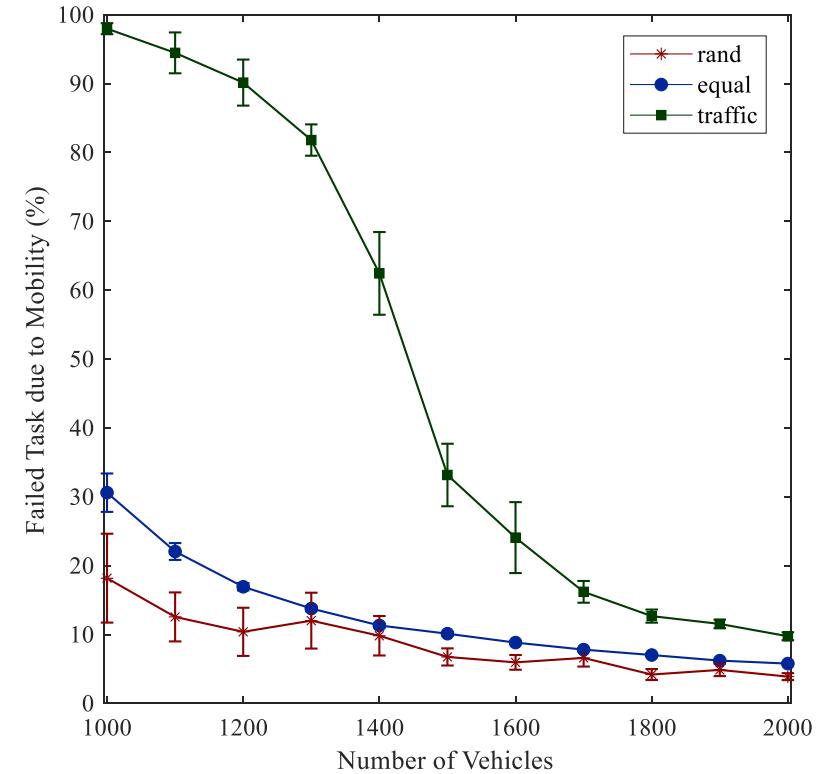
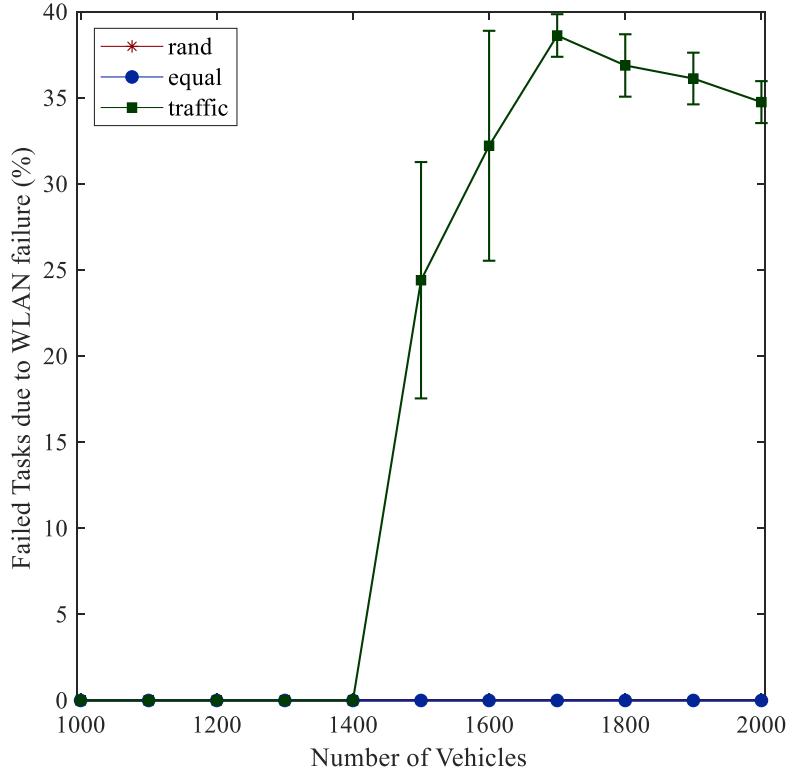
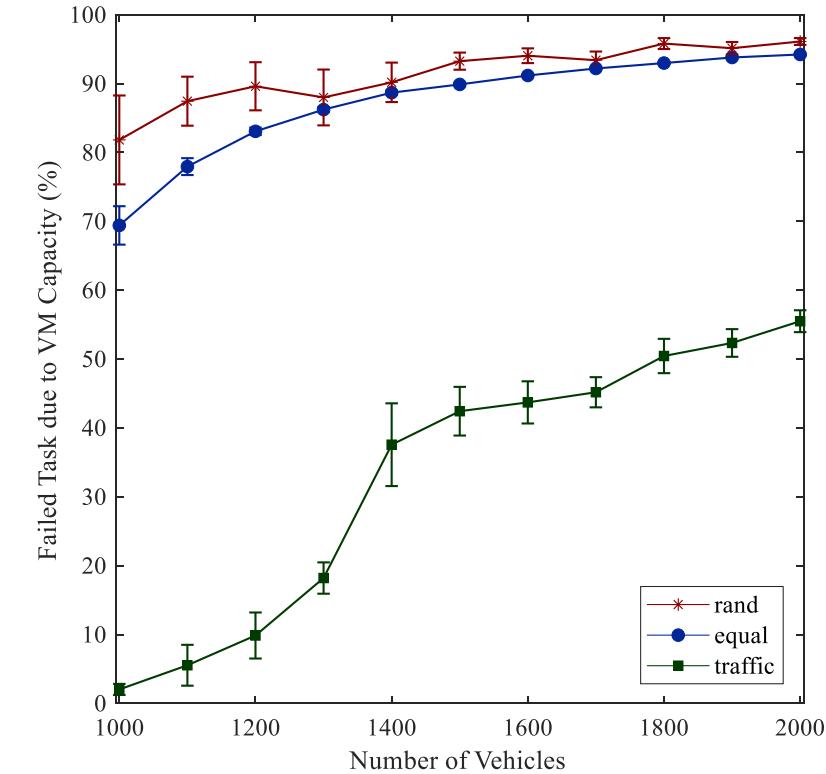
Parameter	Value
Simulation Time/Warm-up Period	15/1 minutes
Number of Repetitions	10
WLAN Delay Model	Empirical
MAN Delay	Fixed (10 ms)
Number of VMs per Edge Host	2
Number of Cores per Edge VM	2
VM Processor Speed per Edge CPU	10-44 GIPS
Mobility Model	Vehicular Mobility
Number of locations for Type 1/2/3 Places	1/4/6
Speed of Vehicles in Type 1/2/3 Places	20/40/60 km/hour

Important Simulation Results



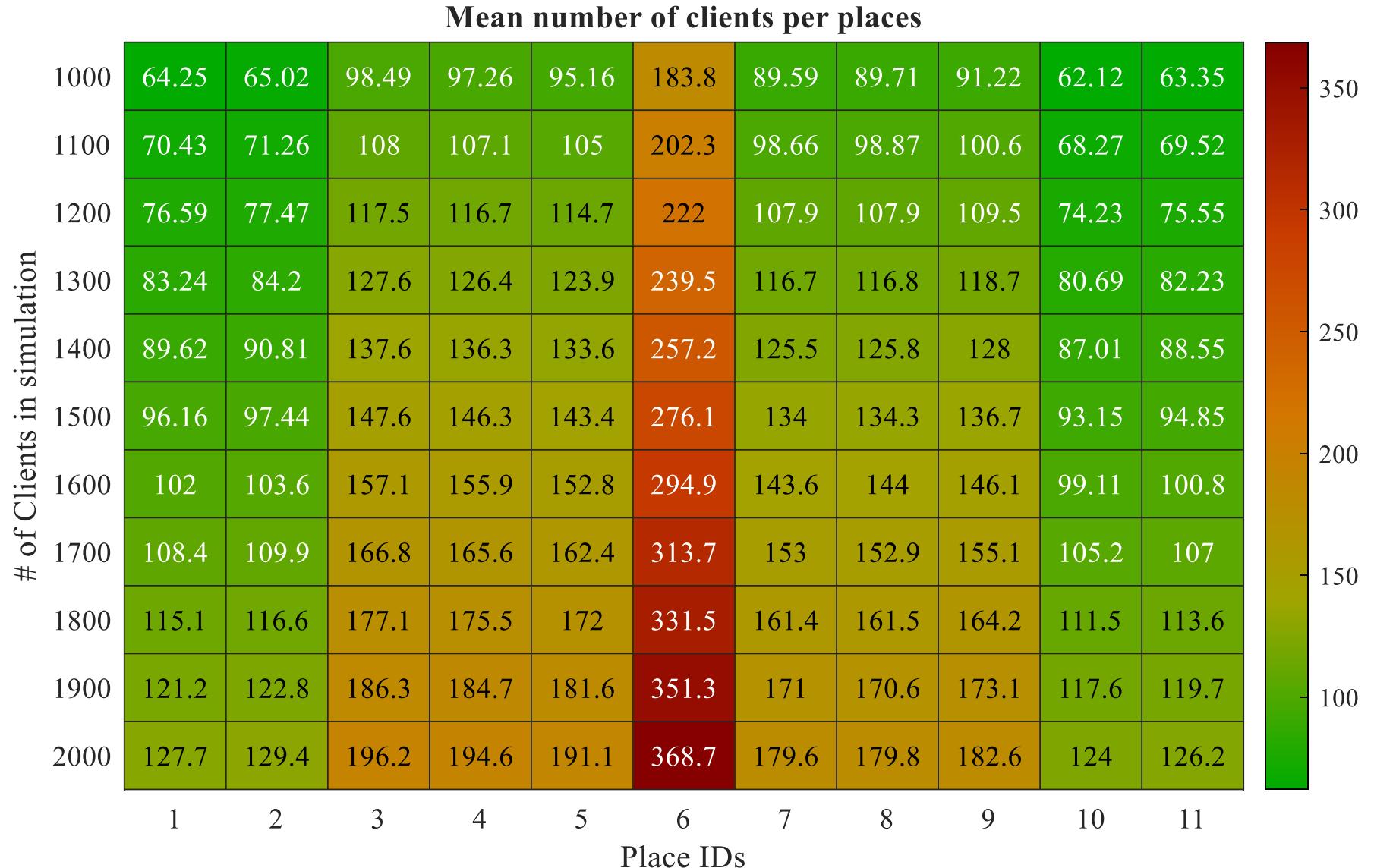
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Task Failure Reason Analysis

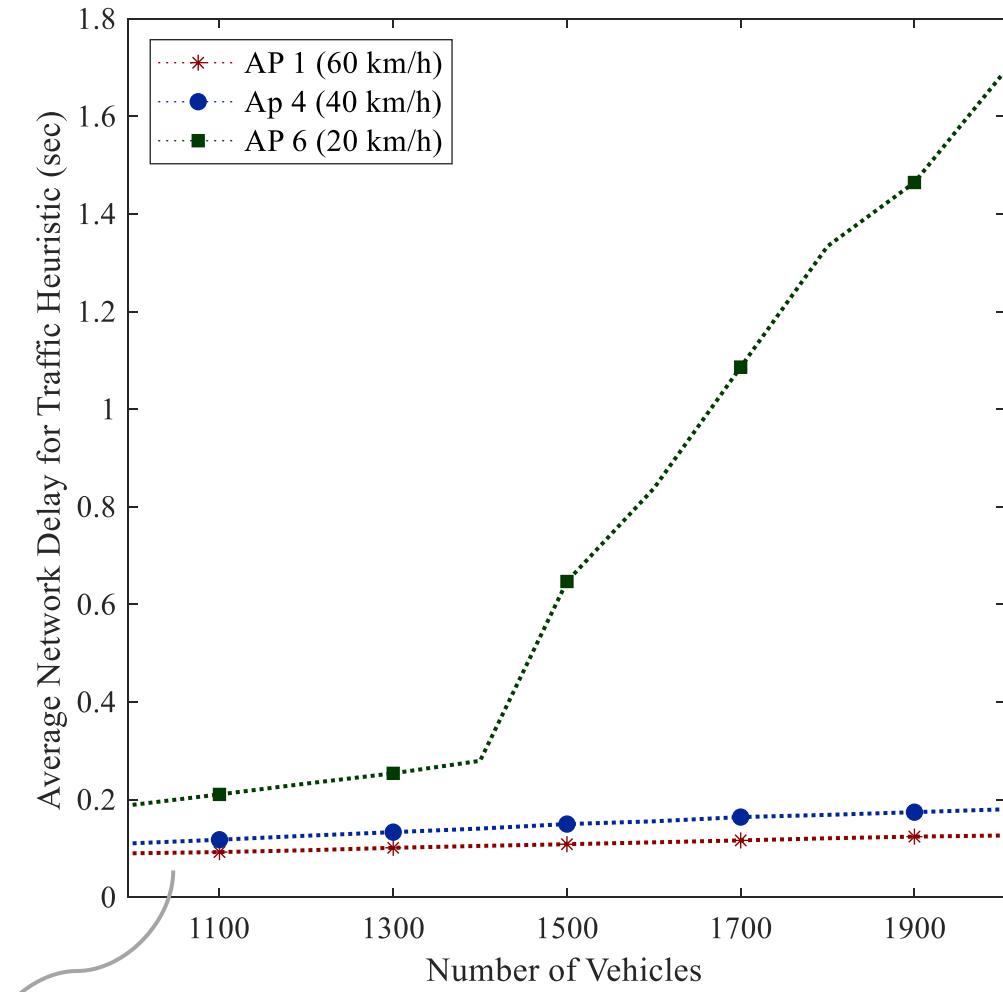
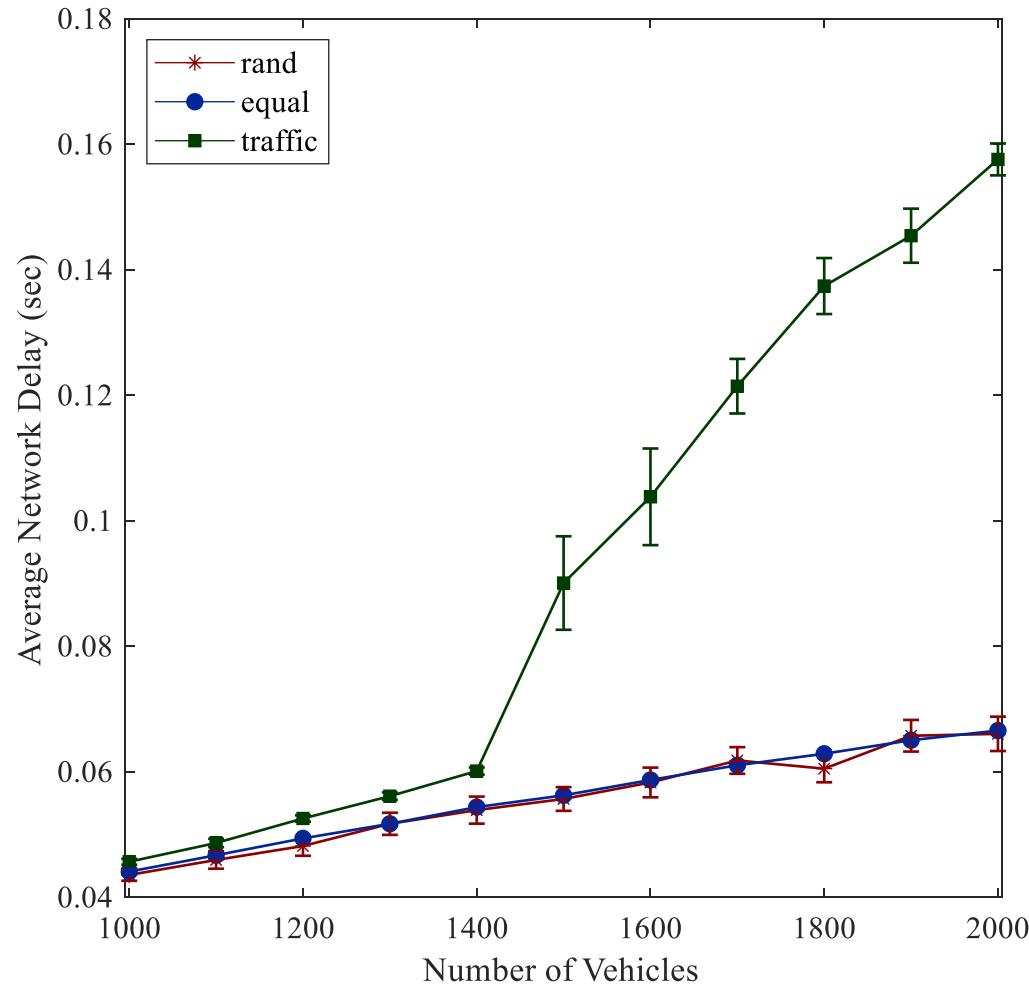


Failed tasks due to mobility dominates the failure reasons

Mobility Model Verification



Network Delay Analysis



Network delay values of different access points



Case Study 5 – Network & Server Capacity P.

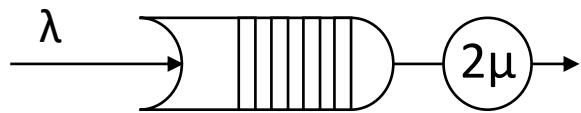
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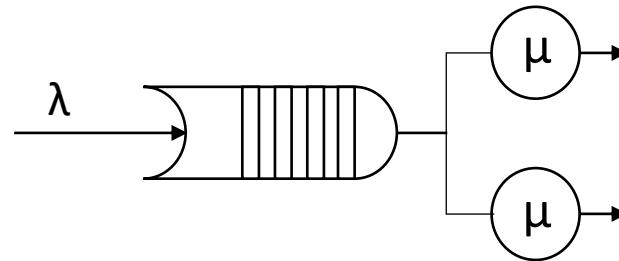
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Which One Provides the Best Network Delay?

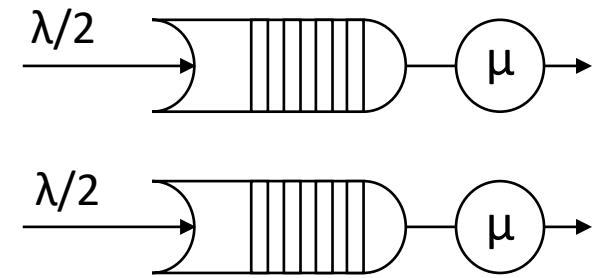
Case 1



Case 2

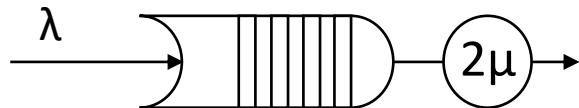


Case 3



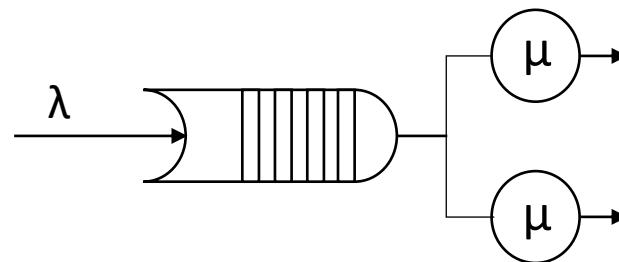
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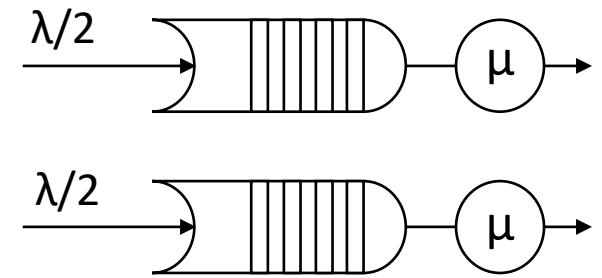
M/M/1 Queue

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M/M/2 Queue

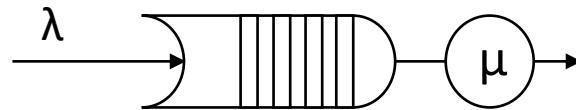
Case 3



Parallel M/M/1 Queues

Case 1: M/M/1 Queue

- Arrivals occur at rate λ according to a Poisson process
- Service times have an exponential distribution with rate parameter μ
- A **single** server serving with first-come first-served discipline



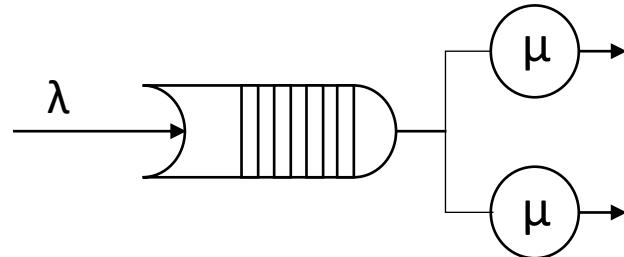
- Response time $E(T) = \frac{1}{\mu - \lambda}$, $\mu > \lambda$

capacity/packet length (p/s)

rate of the traffic (p/s)

Case 2: M/M/2 Queue

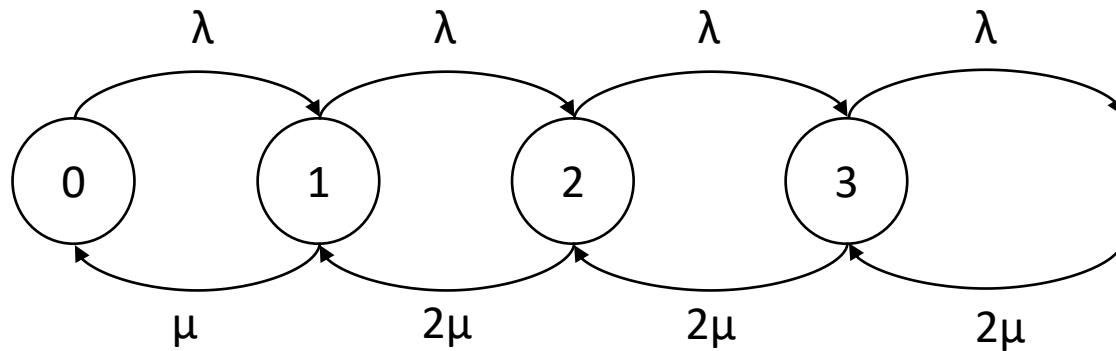
- Arrivals occur at rate λ according to a Poisson process
- Service times have an exponential distribution with rate parameter μ
- A single queue with **multiple** servers



- Response time can be calculated with birth-death process model

Case 2: M/M/2 Queue

cont.



$$P_0 \lambda = P_1 \mu$$

$$P_1 (\lambda + \mu) = P_0 \lambda + P_2 2\mu$$

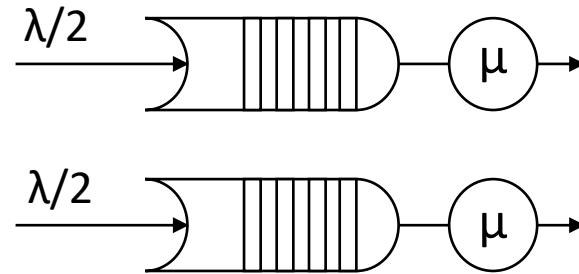
After some math...

$$E(T) = \frac{4\mu}{(2\mu - \lambda)(2\mu + \lambda)}$$

$$P_n (\lambda + 2\mu) = P_{n-1} \lambda + P_{n+1} 2\mu$$

$$\sum P_n = 1$$

Case 3: Two Parallel M/M/1 Queues

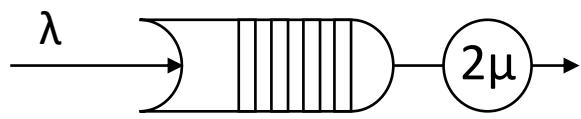


$$E(T) = \frac{1}{\mu - \lambda/2} \times 2$$

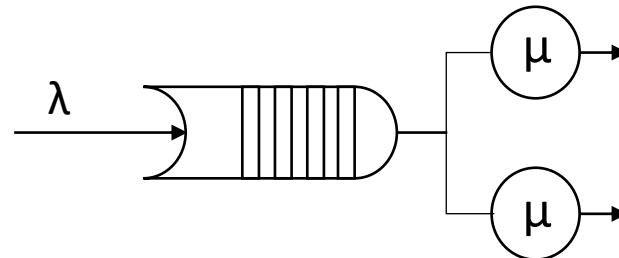
$$E(T) = \frac{4}{2\mu - \lambda}$$

Expected Network Delay for All Cases

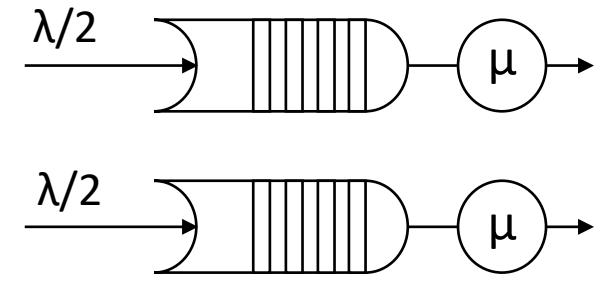
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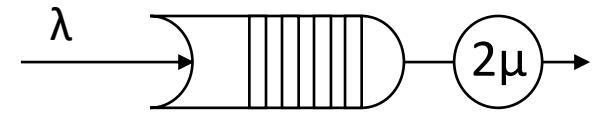
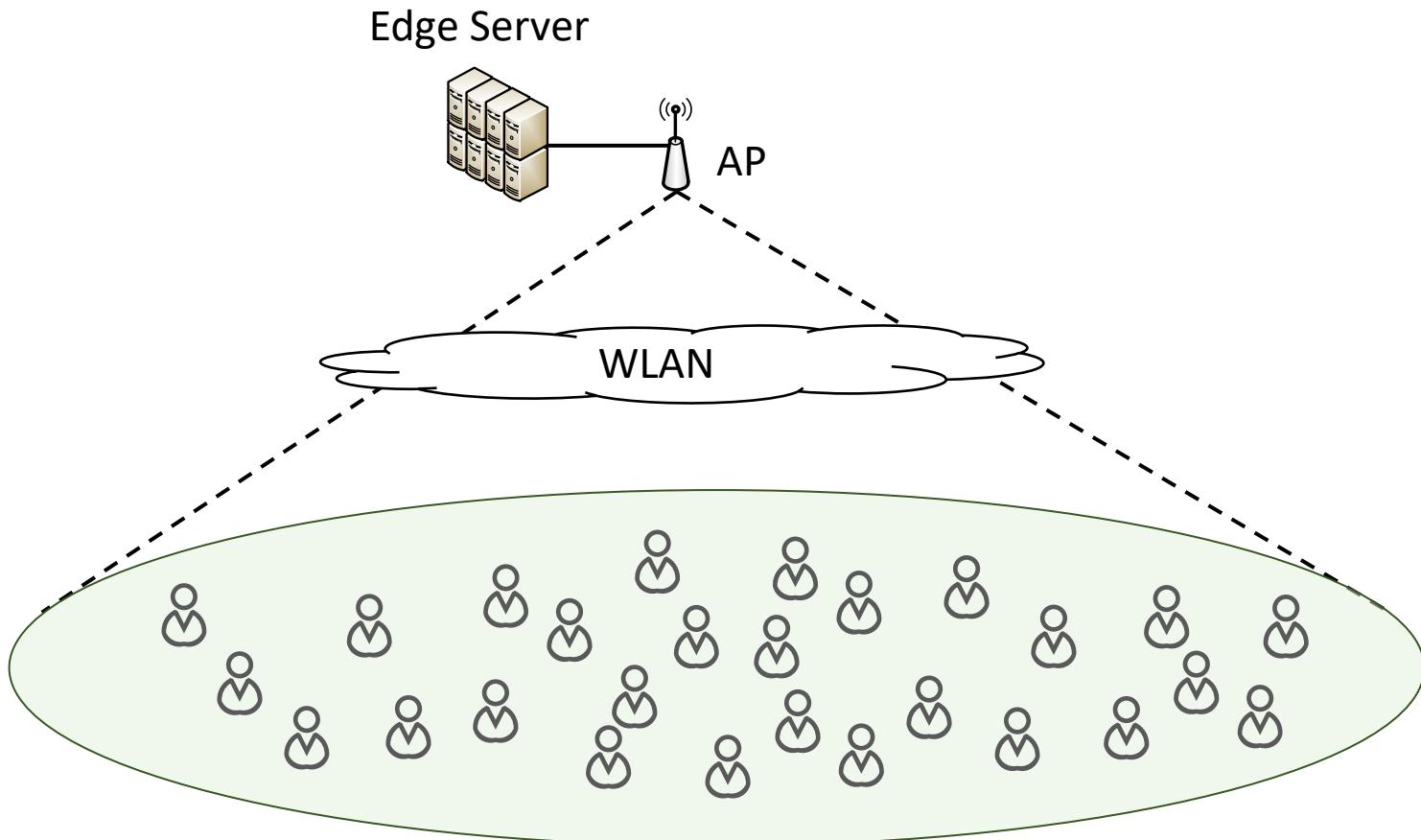


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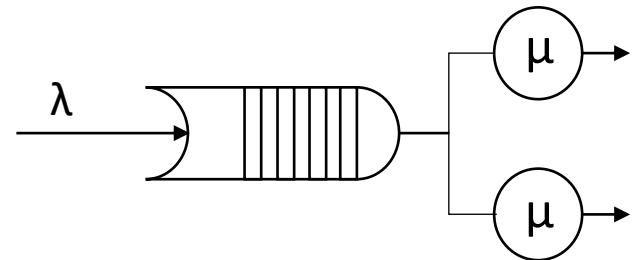
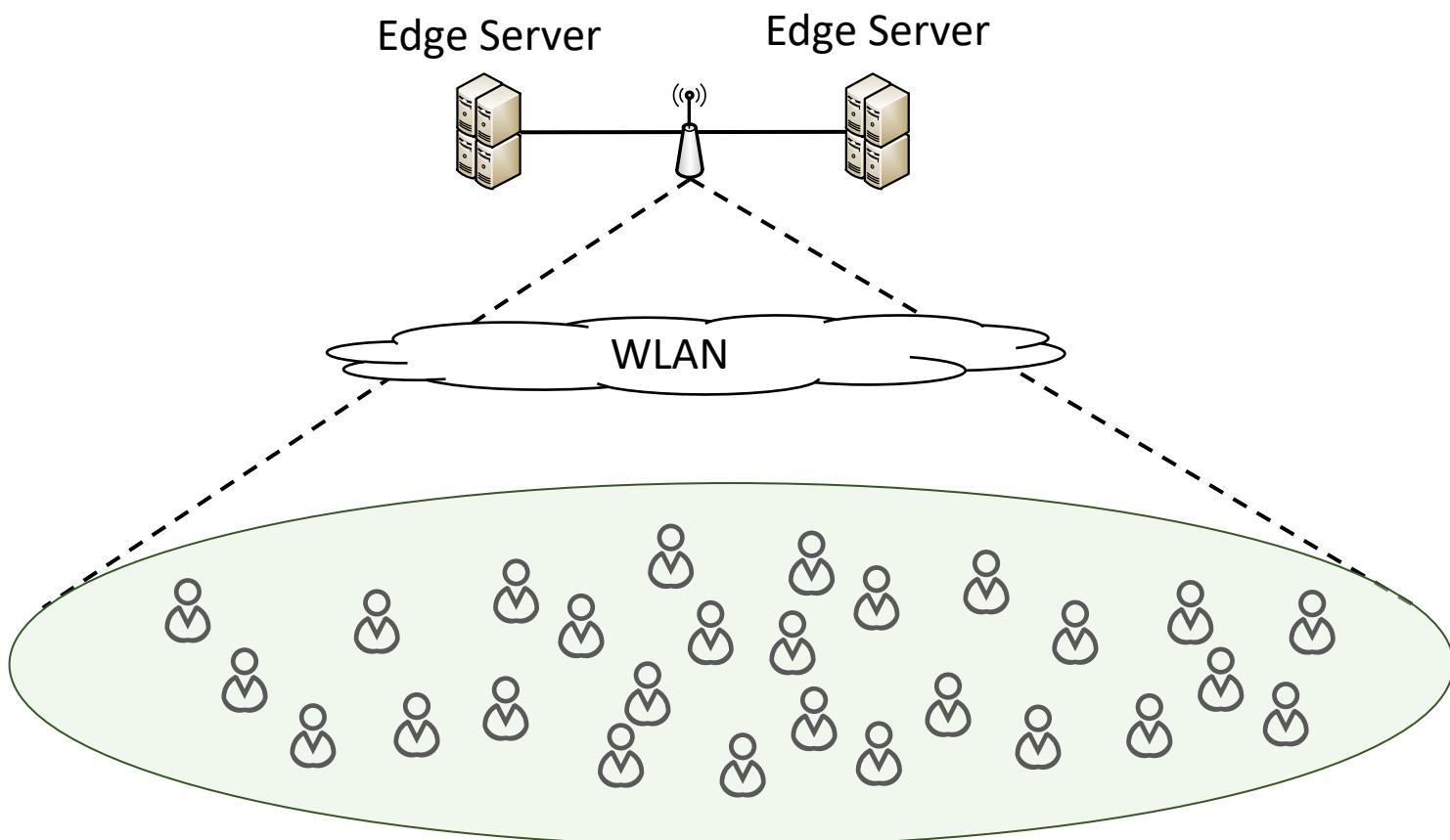
$$E(T) = \frac{1}{2\mu - \lambda} < E(T) = \frac{4\mu}{(2\mu - \lambda)(2\mu + \lambda)} < E(T) = \frac{4}{2\mu - \lambda}$$

Implementation of Case1



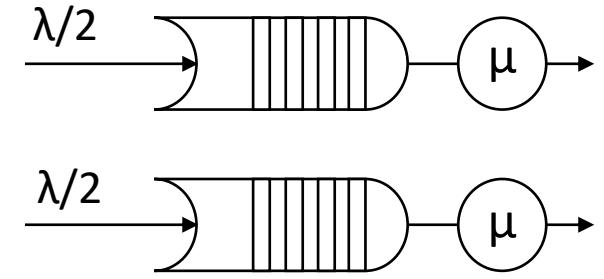
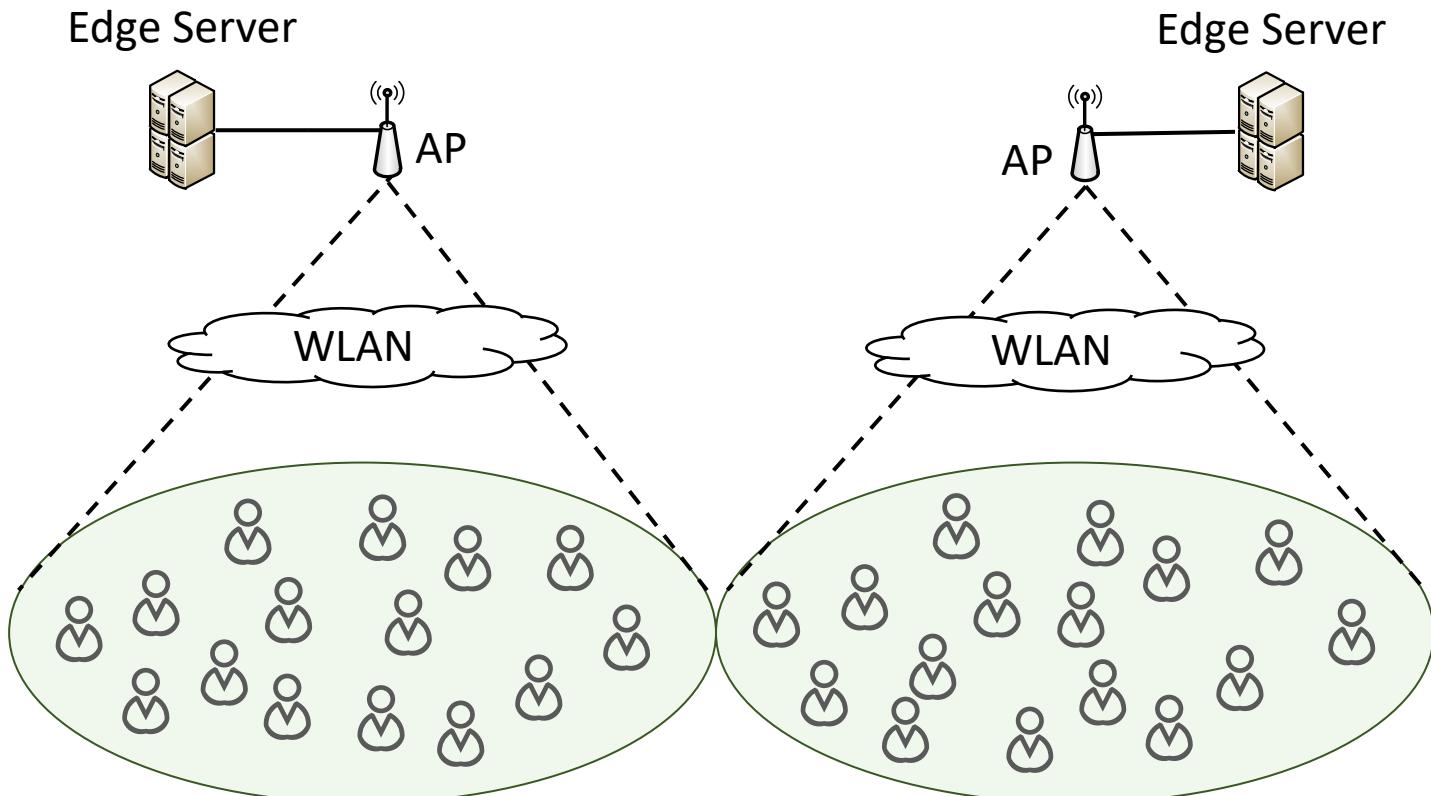
Parameter	Value
WLAN Bandwidth	100 Mbps
# of Cores of Edge Server	4
Capacity of Edge Server	20 GIPS

Implementation of Case2



Parameter	Value
WLAN Bandwidth	50 Mbps
# of Cores per Edge Server	2
Capacity of Edge Servers	10 GIPS

Implementation of Case3



Parameter	Value
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# of Cores per Edge Server	2
Capacity of Edge Servers	10 GIPS

Application Used in Simulations

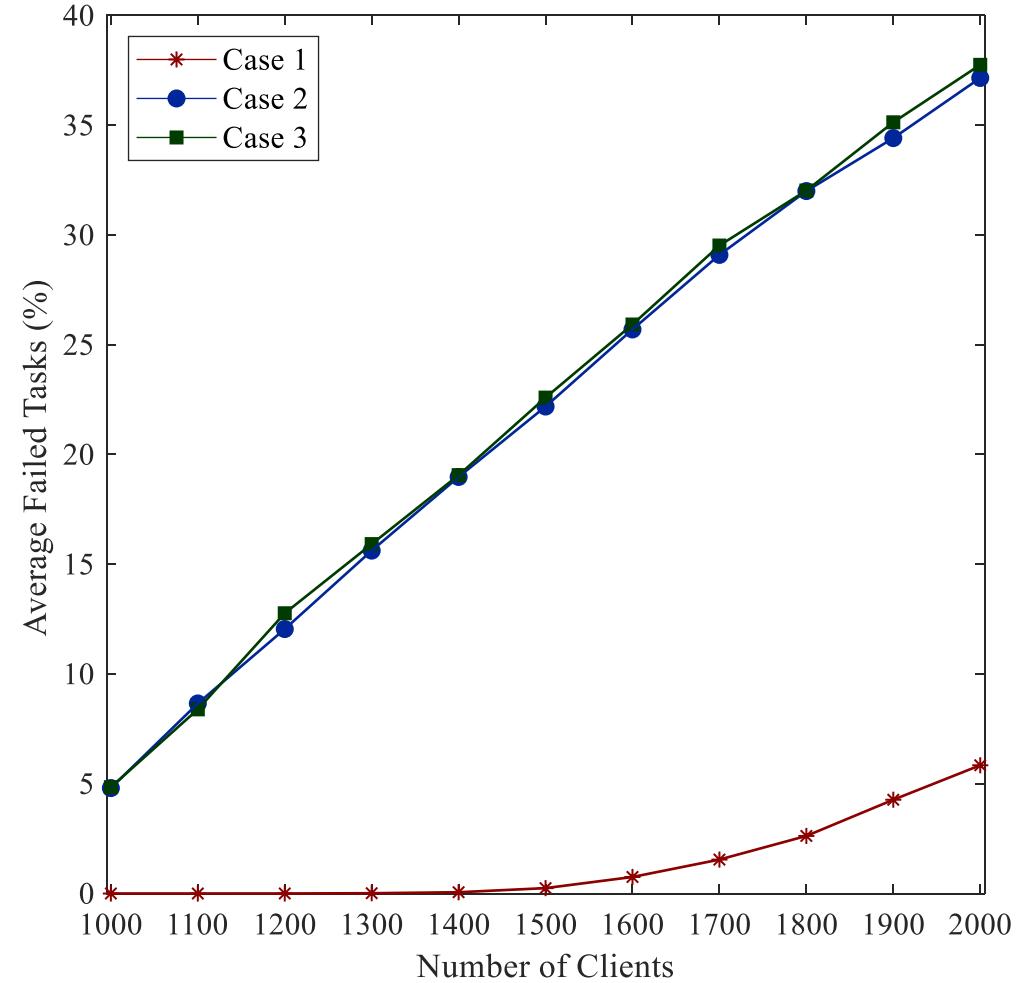
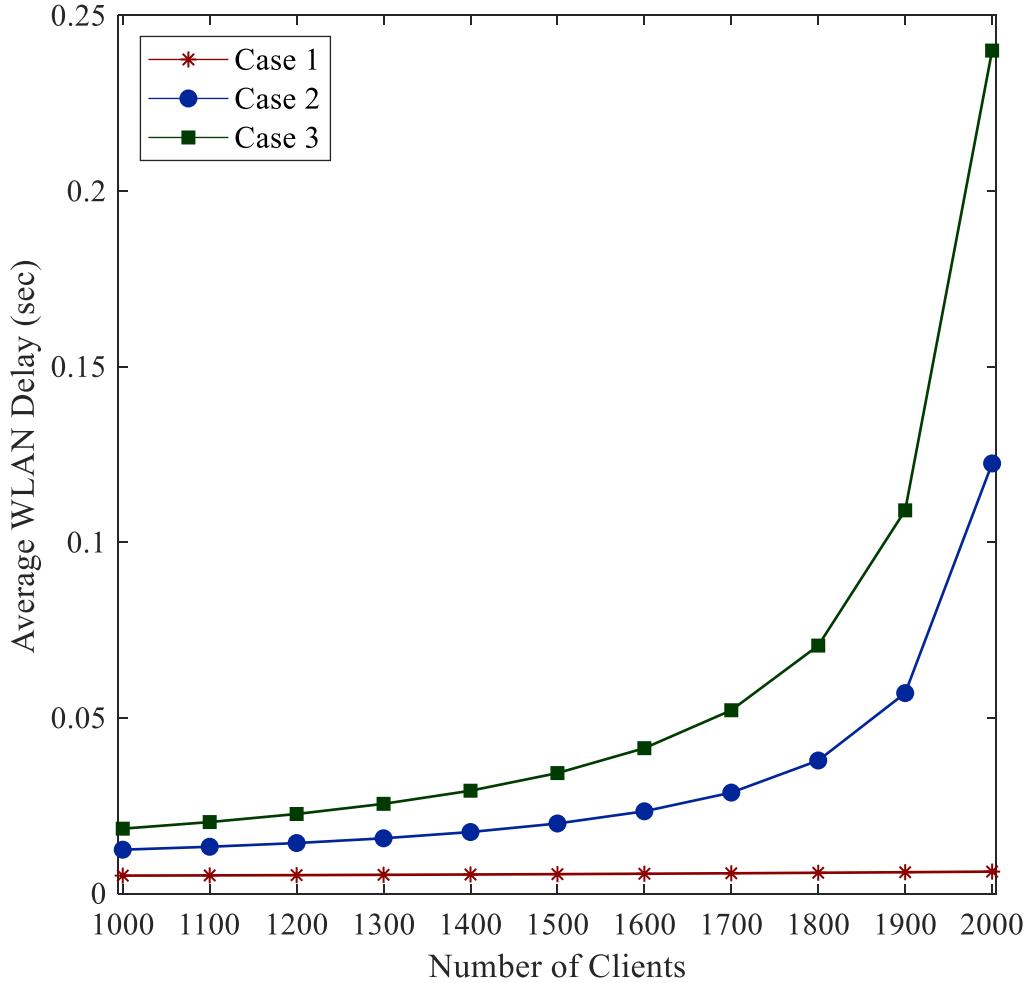
Parameter	Sample App
Task Interarrival (sec)	5
Active/Idle Period (sec)	30/1
VM Utilization on Edge/Cloud (%)	3
Task Length (GI)	500
Upload Data Size (KB)	30
Download Data Size (KB)	30

Simulation Parameters

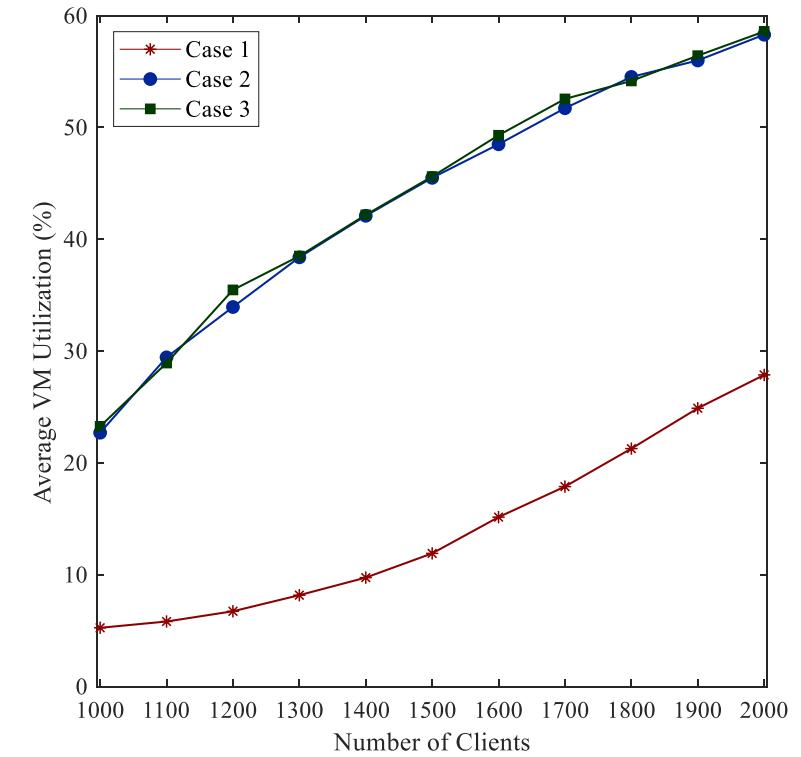
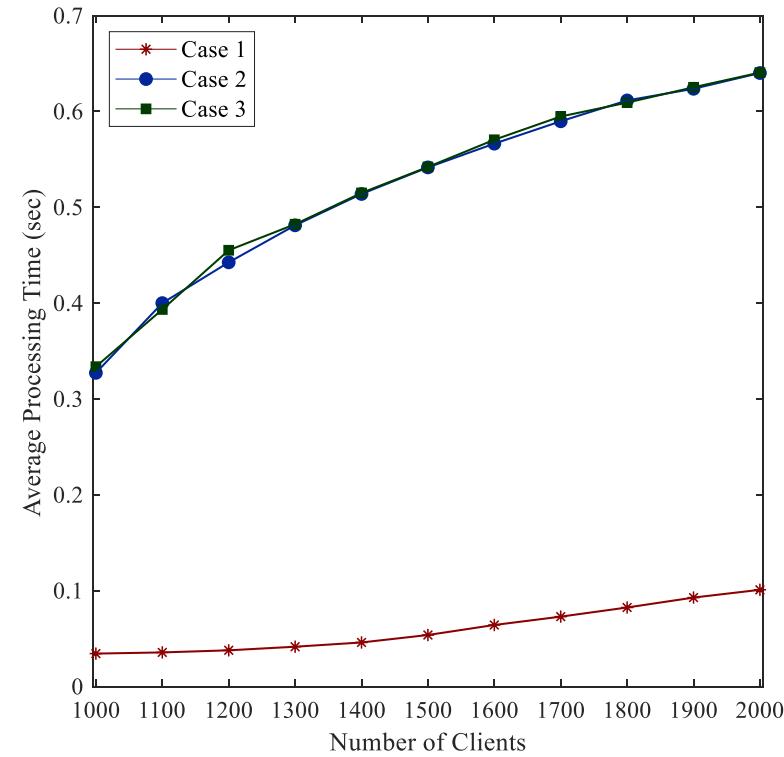
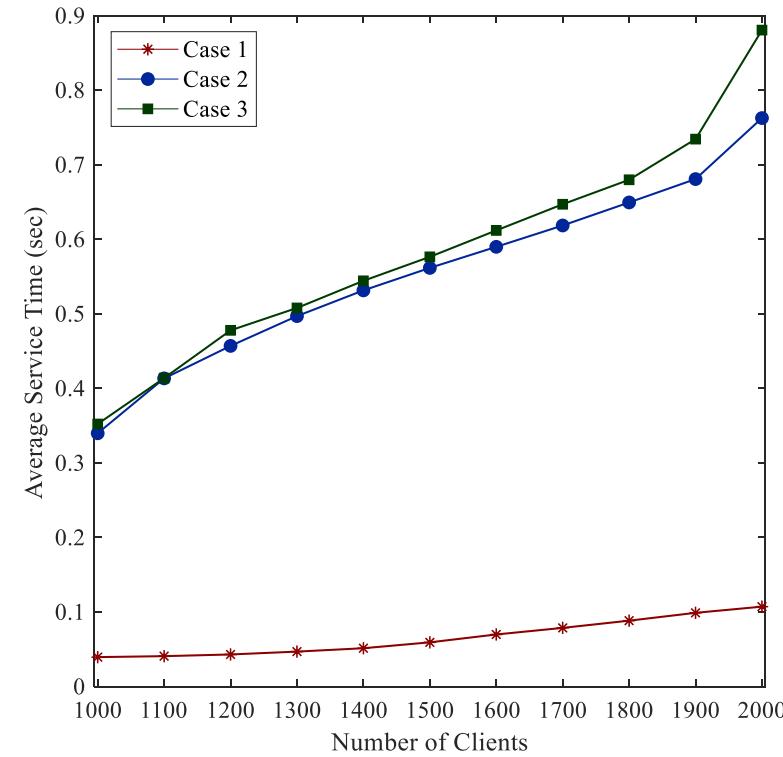
Parameter	Value
Simulation Time	30 minutes
Warm-up Period	5 minutes
Number of Repetitions	25
Mobility Model	Nomadic Mobility
Number of Mobile Clients	1000 to 2000
Length of the Simulated Area*	6 KM

* Simulated area is a symbolic value; in the end, we have 1 or 2 places depending on the scenario.

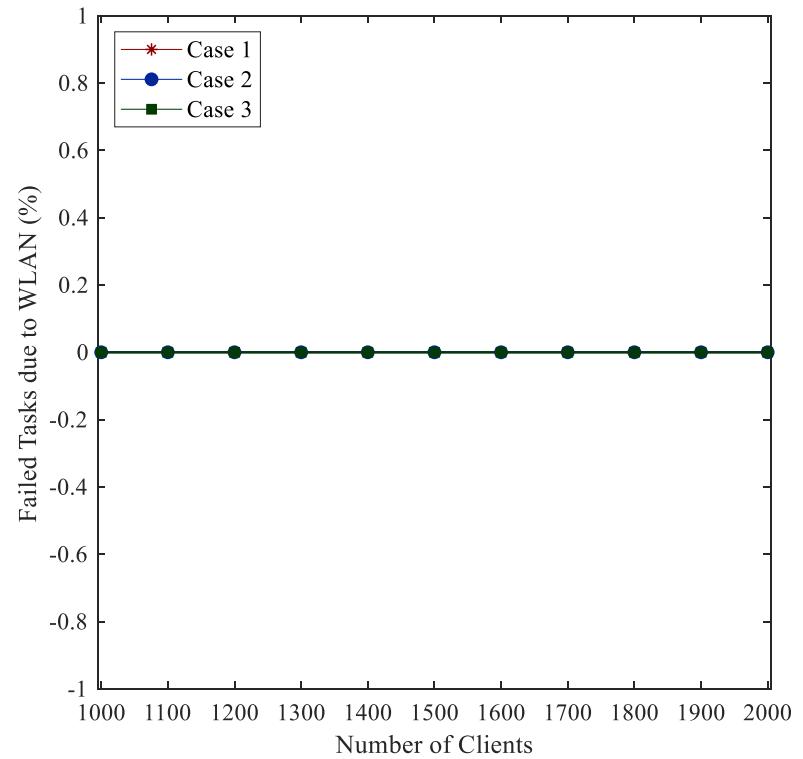
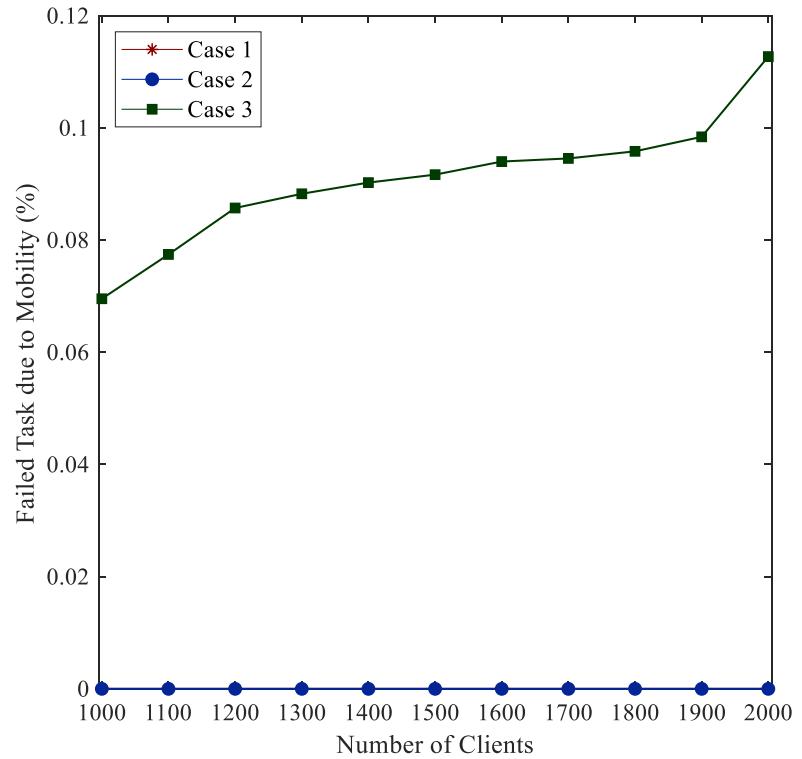
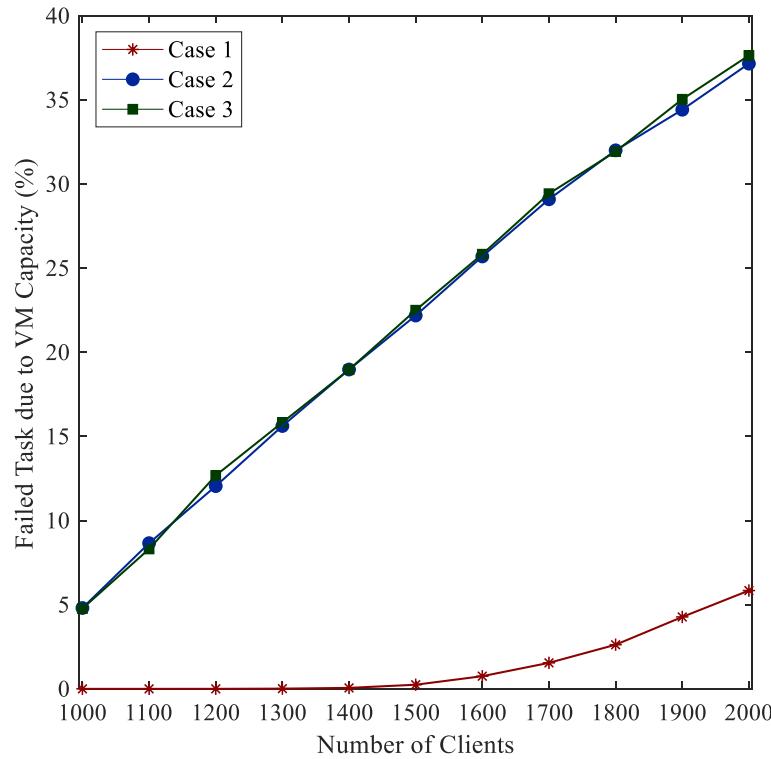
Average WLAN Delay & Success Rate



Edge Server Side Statistics



Task Failure Reasons



Thank You



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