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# **Huawei Sweden Hackathon 2023 Final Phase Task Description**

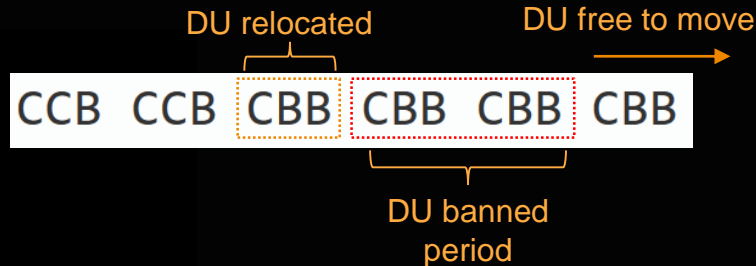
# Task updated – Transition time

- During the qualification task, relocating an app instance had an action cost. This cost represents partially the difficulties for the real world deployment problem.
- In this phase of the hackathon we will **remove the action cost**, and in turn **introduce a transition time**, which we will call  $Z$ .
- This time will be an integer number and represents the number of time steps that a relocated instance (CU, DU, PHY) needs to wait until it is allowed to be relocated again.



# Task updated – Transition time (II)

- Formally, an instance relocating at time  $t$  cannot be relocated again in the interval  $(t, t+Z]$  (note  $t+Z$  is included in the banned period).
- $t_0$  allocation (initial allocation) is not considered as a relocation, i.e. it is always allowed to relocate at  $t_0 + 1$  regardless of  $Z$  value
  - Example: slice  $S_e$  is relocated from CCB to CBB at  $t = 3$  and  $Z$  is defined in the test case as  $Z = 2$ . Then  $S_e$  DU instance cannot be relocated again during  $t = 4$  or  $t = 5$ . The first time step DU from  $S_e$  is allowed to relocate is  $t = 6$
  - Note that  $S_e$  could still be updated to BBB since the CU is not affected by the DU transition time.

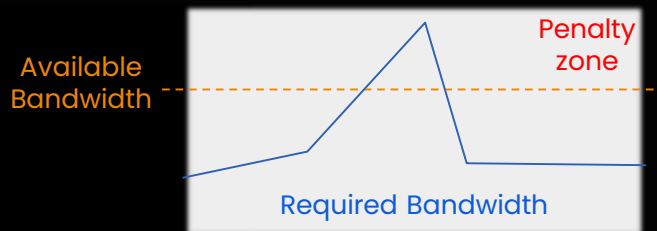


# Task updated – IO

- In this phase we will also refine the limitations regarding IO.
- Of course, the output IO from the cloud provider premises is well-known cost in cloud computing.
- However, we also need to take into account that BBU equipment is deployed in a distributed fashion. Wiring each BBU is a relevant expense, among other factors.
- Therefore, in reality, the bandwidth capacity between **the Cloud and the BBU is not unlimited**.

# Task updated– IO limitation (II)

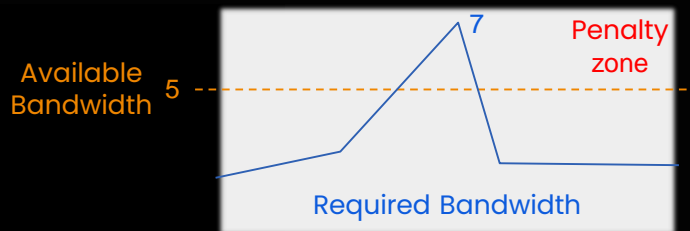
- For each test case we define the available Bandwidth,  $W$ , between the Cloud and the BBU as an integer.
- Also, a Penalty Cost  $P$  will be defined as an integer.
- We will consider the IO cost of each link (as defined in the Qualification Phase) to also represent the Bandwidth Units needed for that link.
- At any time step, if the required Bandwidth Units required is bigger than the available Bandwidth  $W$ , the operator has to pay a penalty of  $P$  per exceeding unit.



# Task updated– IO limitation (III)

- Formally, we define  $W_r$  as the amount of bandwidth required given the allocation and traffic (sum of link costs per slice). Then if  $W_r - W > 0$  there is a penalty cost of  $(W_r - W) * P$
- Example: available bandwidth is  $W = 5$  and we have 2 slices, requiring at time  $t_x$  3 and 4 bandwidth units (i.e. the IO cost for the relevant link given their allocation and traffic is 3 and 4).

Then the IO cost for  $t_x$  is:  $3 + 4 + ((3+4) - 5) * P = 7 + 2 * P$



# Cost calculations formalized

$$CloudCost_t = \sum_s CPURequired_s * Traffic_{t,s} * CPUCost + MEMRequired_s * Traffic_{t,s} * MEMCost$$

$$BBUCost_t = BBUSetsRequired_t * BBUSetCost$$

$$BandwithRequired_t = \sum_s IOCost_{LinkUsed_{t,s}} * Traffic_{t,s}$$

$$PenaltyCost_t = \max(0, BandwithRequired_t - Bandwidth) * Penalty$$

$$IOCost_t = \sum_s IOCost_{LinkUsed_{t,s}} * Traffic_{t,s} + PenaltyCost_t$$

# Input for the test cases

- *baseline\_cost, transition\_time, bandwidth (W), penalty\_cost (P)*
- *Cloud Costs :CPU\_cost, MEM\_cost*
- *BBU Profile : B, CPU, MEM, ACC, cost\_per\_set*
- *# of slices, time horizon, CPU/ACC: N, T, X*
- *The following will be repeated for each slice s (N repeats)*
  - CU resource unit: cpu, mem, acc
  - DU resource unit: cpu, mem, acc
  - PHY resource unit: cpu, mem, acc
  - IO cost: c1, c2, c3, c4
  - T traffic units: u1, u2, ... uT

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46756	2	20	10	
3	10			
4	188	159	273	1615
2	5	3		
1	5	0		
2	9	3		
4	15	13		
0	2	5	5	
12	13	15	13	14
3	4	0		
2	7	0		
1	5	1		
1	2	5	5	
16	15	16	17	19

Slice 1

Slice N

T traffic units



# Output (same as Qualy phase)

- *Solution matrix*
- *Cloud costs*
- *BBU costs*
- *I/O costs*
- *OPEX*
- *Score*
- *Execution time(ms)*


BBB	BBB	BBB	BBB	BBB
BBB	BBB	CBB	CBB	CBB
0	0	784	833	931
6460	6460	6460	6460	6460
16	15	152	174	218
35423				
0.31993337661971033				
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# **Competition rules**

- **This phase consists of 40 test cases.**
  - You will receive 20 in the initial Final Kit.
  - The remaining 20 will be released in an updated Final Kit at 10AM on Saturday
- **Leaderboard will freeze at 10AM**
  - You will see your updated score under Results tab but Ranking tab will not be updated



# Ranking rules

- **Your Submission Score for the final Ranking will be calculated as follows:**
    - Your code will be executed 5 times against the 40 test cases set
    - Testcases execution not meeting the time restriction will not be considered
    - Your final score will be the average of the 3 best results
  - **6 teams will be shortlisted for final presentation to the Jury**
  - **Final Score of top 6 teams will be:**
    - $0.6 * \text{Submission Score (normalized to 100)} + 0.4 * \text{Jury Score (normalized to 100)}$
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**GOOD LUCK!**

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