

# DEEDSP: Deadline-aware and Energy-efficient Dynamic Service Placement in Integrated IoT and Fog Computing Environments

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**Abstract** Fog computing has become adaptable and also as a promising infrastructure for providing elastic resources at the edge of the network. Fog computing reduces the transmission latency and consumption of bandwidth while processing the incoming requests from various Internet of Things (IoT) devices. Moreover, fog computing can support and facilitate geographically distributed applications with low and predictable latency. However, this technology also has significant research issues in its current stage such as successful implementation of service location models. In this paper, we propose a Deadline-aware and Energy-Efficient Dynamic Service Placement (DEEDSP) technique for fog computing that supports the placement of IoT based services. Further, hyper-heuristic algorithm based energy-efficient service placement technique is proposed to balance the energy-delay trade-off based on different service placement decision criteria (e.g., minimum response time or energy consumption). The proposed algorithm is able to dynamically minimize the energy consumption of the system while ensuring that the response time satisfies a given time constraint. Finally, the proposed technique is evaluated in simulated fog computing environment and experimental results show that this technique performs better than state-of-the-art placement techniques in terms of energy and latency.

**Keywords:** Fog Computing, Application Placement, Cloud Computing, IoT, Energy

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## 1 Introduction

Within the next five years, the estimated number of Internet of Things (IoT) objects would have reached 50 billion [1]. These objects include power and computation-hungry devices such as wearable's, autonomous vehicles, drones, robots, Augmented Reality (AR) and Virtual Reality (VR) gadgets [2]. The seamless combination of all "things" connected in the network presents a challenge at a scale which it is never seen before. With the sheer increase in the amount of data traffic generated by billions of these IoT devices [3], low latency and energy efficiency have become impractical for the traditional cloud computing model under time-critical requirements [4]. The idea is to add a new layer of networking, storage, computation and resources at the edge of the network or at end users which is now known as fog computing [5].

Fog environment is needed for the optimization of Quality of Service (QoS) parameters such as minimizing service latency, increasing service efficiency and providing end user service with improved overall experience [6]. For example, sensing and actuation modules are the IoT services in an IoT application which interacts with the IoT or edge devices to exchange data [6]. These features are especially useful in real-time applications [7] such as intelligent light systems, vehicle networks, smart grid, pipeline monitoring, wired trains, wind farming, applications in the petroleum and gas industry, and industrial loop control. The current central computer paradigm, where IoT system's control, data and intelligence are only accessible at the cloud [8], is increasingly being transformed into a distributed computing paradigm. However, the achievement of those criteria requires a smart choice of hosting systems, that is, the applications must be properly assigned.

### 1.1 Motivation and Our Contributions

The decision-making in application placement is an NP-Hard problem [9] [10] [11]. The difficulty of placing the modules in fog computing environment when compared to cloud becomes more complicated [12]. The reasons for the increased complexity are: i) Diversity of devices (in terms of configuration of the devices, hardware and also software, such as operating systems), ii) Location of the IoT devices required to be considered in the IoT application placement, and a massive amount of these devices, further escalating the complexity in placement and iii) Specific application's conditions must be satisfied, such as, computation and delay requirements.

The massive scale and rising demands for service, raise the power usage on cloud servers. The energy conservation of the fog computing system is also important and must be taken into consideration [13]. On the other hand, it is equally important to guarantee the QoS such as response time of the application within the given deadline [14]. We systematically inquire the trade-off between the power consumption and response delay in the fog computing system. Based on the most applicable and new techniques published in the field of IoT, cloud computing, and fog computing, a framework for deadline-aware and energy efficiency in service placement strategy

is proposed in this work. The proposed method adds novelty to the fog computing environment by making effective decisions dynamically.

The proposed hyper heuristic-based algorithm incorporates various heuristic techniques. This algorithm makes use of the fortes of heuristic algorithms, such as Simulated Annealing (SA) [15], Genetic Algorithm (GA) [16], Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO) [17], and integrates all of them into a single algorithm. This proposed algorithm aims to look for service placement inside fog nodes, the fog controller node, neighbor controller node, and the cloud node. Minimizing the energy consumption with respect to the constraint; the application response time should not exceed the given deadline; is the main objective of the work. The *main contributions* of this work are:

- We proposed a hyper-heuristic based a **Deadline-aware and Energy-Efficient Dynamic Service Placement (DEEDSP)** technique for IoT devices which prioritize different applications of the user and place the application modules in fog environment.
- DEEDSP dynamically makes the decisions for mapping the application services in fog computing environment to satisfy the application deadline and reduce energy consumption.
- iFogSim simulator is used to evaluate the performance of DEEDSP in fog computing environment and demonstrated that there is a significant improvement in reducing the energy consumption and service response time as compared to existing techniques.

## 1.2 Article Organization

The rest of the paper is structured as follows: In Section 2, we discuss the relevant work in the area of service placement in fog computing environment and the analysis of those works. In Section 3, we discuss how the system is modelled. We present the proposed technique in Section 4. Afterwards, we present the experimental results in Section 5. Finally, Section 6 concludes the paper and highlights the future directions.

## 2 Related Works

The positioning in fog nodes is a significant problem particularly in the case of limited resource devices. Several experiments were undertaken to address the issue of service placement in heterogeneous computing systems [18, 19]. These experiments attempt to find the best location of modules in an optimized way. Parameters that an optimal placement strategy must keep in mind are latency, reducing the energy consumption, minimize the cost and response time [20, 21]. There are many existing works related to service placement in cloud/fog computing. Rahman et al. [7] sum up and outline the architecture of the fog computing model, functionality, related

paradigms, security challenges, and various real-time applications such as smart grid, traffic control and increased reality.

Qi et al. [8] has developed a cloud, fog and edge computing based hierarchical architecture. The proposed fog system is composed of three levels of mobile-fog-cloud; mobile users are provided with service from fog servers via local WiFi links and fog servers are upgraded to cloud content through cellular or wired networks. For IoT-based applications, Taneja and Davy [22] presented an efficient deployment of fog-cloud infrastructure. To allow application modules to be deployed on devices in fog layer close to the source, an image is distributed dynamically across the fog and cloud layers. The outcome of this study is a micro-benchmark in IoT and fog computing observation. This work is intended to serve as a benchmark for IoT applications with Quality of Service (QoS).

Xuan and Huh [23] introduced an almost similar cloud-fog computing system that combines fog nodes and cloud nodes which are owned and leased from cloud providers. In order to benefit from this cloud-fog computing system, the processing nodes of each layer are strategically assigned with the computing tasks. The algorithm proposed by the author is not only guarantees the application efficiency, but also decreases the expense of accessing cloud services. Gupta et al. [24] proposed the iFogSim simulator, to model and calculate the effect on latency, network usage, energy usage, and cost of the resources. In this work, the comparison of resource management policies and modeling of IoT environment are manifested. In many situations, with respect to computing size, storage and RAM consumption, the scalability of the simulation toolkit is assured.

Recent research works have revealed the significance and pertinence of fog computing [20]. However, in terms of implementation view, most of the works have not bestowed up on the technical aspect of the paradigm.

Pham et al. [25] did the task offloading of Directed Acyclic Graph (DAG)-based applications with the trade-off between cloud-based computing execution time and cost when placing applications in the cloud-fog environment. The proposed cost-aware placement algorithm satisfies the deadline restrictions of the application. Mahmud et al. [26] focused on executing the applications of fog environment which can be decomposed into modules, which might independently be executed. Ensuring the QoS applications in completing before the deadline for service delivery and maximize the resource use in the fog environment is the main purpose of the proposed algorithm.

The above existing algorithms are unable to minimize the response time. The reason for such inefficiency is, they executes the applications according to their arrival sequence. In order to cope with the placement of IoT applications over fog environment. The authors Huang et al. [27] has presented a placement solution while minimizing the parameters latency and cost. This multi-objective problem has been solved with an Ant Colony Optimization (ACO) based meta-heuristic approach. Service orchestration is done at the cloud node. Skarlat et al. [28] [29] proposed an optimization problem while taking into consideration the diversity of resources and applications. For addressing the application modules placement, the authors proposed two approaches to solve the optimization problem, one is using Linear



Integer Programming in [28] and another is using the Genetic Algorithm (GA) in [29]. Choudhari et al. [30] proposed a prioritized task scheduling algorithm to minimize overall cost and response time of the application; this algorithm will assign a priority based on its deadline. It is located in the fog layer using this determined task priority. In each fog layer, there are many computational fog nodes that can communicate with the other fog nodes of the same fog layer. If all the fog nodes in the fog layer are infused, the task would be shifted to the cloud. The algorithm decreases overall computing cost and response time with the increasing number of modules.

Sriraghavendra et al. [31] proposed a Deadline-aware Service Placement (DoSP) algorithm, which ensures the response time is satisfied for a given time constraint. The DoSP algorithm plans to place the application modules in fog-cloud architecture. A profitable application placement strategy for the integrated fog-cloud environment is proposed by Mahmud et al. [32], which maximize the providers revenue and decreases the deployment cost and application deadline.

The works [27], [28], [29], [30], [31], and [32] do not take the energy efficient workflow execution into account. A placement algorithm needs to be built that can reduce response time and meet deadlines for sensitive latency applications, while minimizing energy consumption. Naranjo et al. [33] introduces a Penalty-Aware Bin Packing (PABP) heuristic algorithm for the energy minimization. This is accomplished by scaling up or down the processing speeds of virtual processors. The final goal is to reduce the total energy per slot.

Ramirez et al. [34] evaluated Fog-to-Cloud (F2C) systems efficiency to demonstrate the architecture's advantages which include edge as well as cloud devices. On the three separate architectural scenarios, the proposed policy evaluates the performance of response time, power and bandwidth usage. The proposed design reduces the power consumption than stand-alone cloud. Wu et al. [35] proposed the energy minimization scheduling algorithm to place the IoT workflow applications in fog environment to minimize the consumption of energy. The energy consumption is reduced when compare with the random, Integer Linear Programming (ILP) for different workloads. The above existing works [29], [30], [31], [33], [34] and [35] suffer from service placement optimization while minimizing energy and prevent hitting the application deadline. To overcome the above disadvantages, we proposed a service placement algorithm that is deadline-aware and energy-efficient in this work.

Kim et al. [36] has suggested a power-aware algorithm for independent application modules. The authors considers the time limit on Dynamic Voltage Scaling (DVS)-enabled systems to lessen power usage and meet deadlines. Deng et al. [37] tackled difficulties in the allocation of workload. These may be formulated to the minimum consumption of energy and the delay in service. Their methodology is intended to determine the best workload distribution between fog and cloud layers. The author concentrates on static service planning which are pre-defined as the collection of services that are to be allocated. The authors do not adequately address the necessary information sharing and communication overhead.

Sharma et al. [38] suggests 4-tier energy consumption architecture and deliberates scheduling of delays in the fog environment. The author prioritizes the applications based on their deadline. The priority for execution is given to the nodes that are least loaded that are closer to the user. Mingfeng et al. [40] proposed a task offloading scheme with service orchestration to enhance the cloud-MEC's energy consumption and latency among Mobile Edge Computing (MEC) server and cloud resources. The works [36], [37], [38], and [40] mentioned above, does not consider the inter-task dependencies and fog cluster head cooperation in the environment. While providing a performance assessment of cloud-fog architecture, the work also aims at portraying its benefits. This analysis is undertaken with respect to application response time, understanding of deadlines and energy usage.

Our research work provides uniqueness in two perspectives, namely:

- A modeling perspective of constraints (operational and non-operational) optimization metrics have also been taken into account to determine best application placement.
- An algorithm and contribution methodological approach is used to deploy the application modules in fog environment.

## 2.1 Critical Analysis

Table 1 compares proposed work (DEEDSP) with existing works based on important key parameters such architecture, application and placement approach.

- The IoT application section discusses each proposal's mode of dependence and how each proposal is modeled according to the number of applications and modules.
- In the architectural section, we studied the number of fog layers and fog cluster head cooperation.
- The placement properties, specifies the Prioritized placement of application (or) node (or) module, and considered the application placement approach for fog environment.
- To the best of our knowledge, no hyper heuristic algorithmic approach with fog cluster co-operation was proposed [6]. This framework also jointly considers the deadline of IoT applications and also energy consumption of the system.

**Table 1** Comparison of proposed technique (DEEDSP) with existing works

| Application properties |                              |             | Architectural properties |                         |             | Placement Properties |                       |                   |
|------------------------|------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Work                   | No. of Apps & No. of Modules | Module Type | Fog Layers               | Fog cluster cooperation | Prioritized | Approach             | Optimization Deadline | Parameters Energy |
| [22]                   | Single and Multiple          | Dependent   | Multiple                 | No                      | -           | Heuristic            | No                    | No                |
| [23]                   | Single and Multiple          | Dependent   | Single                   | No                      | -           | Heuristic            | No                    | No                |
| [24]                   | Single and Multiple          | Dependent   | Single                   | No                      | -           | Heuristic            | No                    | No                |
| [25]                   | Single and Multiple          | Dependent   | Single                   | No                      | Task        | Heuristic            | No                    | No                |
| [26]                   | Multiple and Multiple        | Dependent   | Multiple                 | No                      | App         | Heuristic            | Yes                   | No                |
| [27]                   | Single and Multiple          | Dependent   | Single                   | No                      | -           | Heuristic            | Yes                   | No                |
| [29]                   | Multiple and Multiple        | Dependent   | Multiple                 | Yes                     | App         | Heuristic            | Yes                   | No                |
| [30]                   | Multiple and Single          | Independent | single                   | No                      | App         | Heuristic            | Yes                   | No                |
| [31]                   | Multiple Multiple            | Dependent   | Multiple                 | Yes                     | App         | Heuristic            | Yes                   | No                |
| [32]                   | Multiple and Single          | Independent | single                   | No                      | -           | Linear programming   | Yes                   | No                |
| [33]                   | Single and Multiple          | Independent | single                   | Yes                     | -           | Heuristic            | No                    | Yes               |
| [34]                   | Multiple and Single          | Independent | Multiple                 | No                      | -           | Heuristic            | No                    | Yes               |
| [35]                   | Multiple and Single          | Independent | single                   | No                      | -           | Linear programming   | No                    | Yes               |
| [36]                   | Multiple and Single          | Independent | single                   | No                      | App         | Heuristic            | Yes                   | Yes               |
| [37]                   | Multiple and Single          | Independent | single                   | No                      | -           | Linear programming   | Yes                   | Yes               |
| [38]                   | Multiple and Single          | Independent | Multiple                 | No                      | App         | Fuzzy Logic          | Yes                   | Yes               |
| [40]                   | Multiple and Single          | Independent | Single                   | No                      | App         | Heuristic            | Yes                   | Yes               |
| DEEDSP                 | Multiple and Multiple        | Dependent   | Multiple                 | Yes                     | App         | Hyper Heuristic      | Yes                   | Yes               |

### 3 Modeling

This section discusses the proposed technique for effective application placement in fog computing.

#### 3.1 DEEDSP: System model

In the architecture shown in Figure 1, the fog environment's computational nodes are ordered in a three-tier hierarchical layered architecture.

The IoT devices such as sensors and actuators, are connected to lower-level fog nodes which have the capability of computing, storage and networking. In the fog environment, there is a fog node that performs the controlling functionality. This node is called fog controller node. The activities of the fog controller node are: (1) receive the user requests; (2) control the available resources on fog nodes and cloud node, such as computing power, memory and storage; and (3) it identifies the most suitable placement for an application. It determines which application module will be installed on which computing node. The fog controller node connects the cloud node, the fog nodes and the neighbor controller node in order to run the modules for utilizing the resources. The main components of fog controller node are described below.

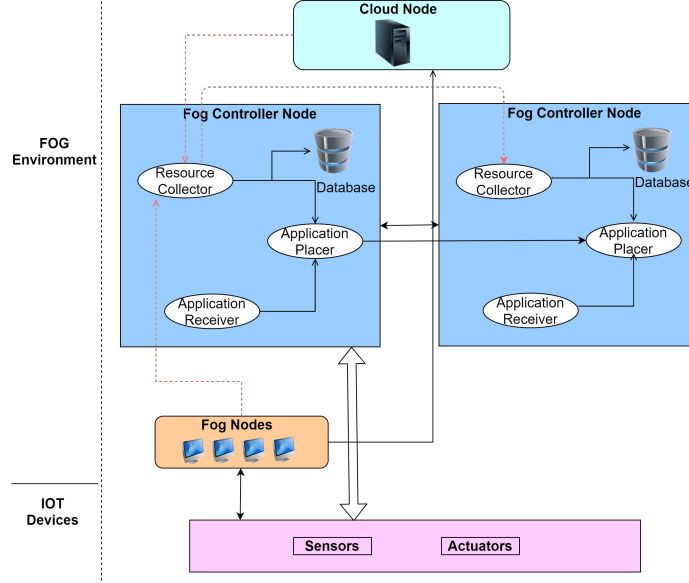
The responsibility of receiving the application request from the user is taken by a component called application receiver. The parameters and details such as module count, workload, and data input size are defined for each application reaching the controller node. Fog Controller Node (FCN) administers to locate the appropriate positioning of module in the fog computing infrastructure [41].

Resource collector takes responsibility for collecting and managing information about the current system state of all processing nodes and storing it in resource database. Frequent state information changes along with the resource addition or elimination on the computing infrastructure [41]. This ensures that the final application placement produced by fog controller node is matched with the current updates on the resource consumption of computing nodes and therefore results in the greater precision.

The application placer analyses the application, decides the required location and distributes the modules of each application to a suitable computing node based on knowledge about processing power and delay of communications of all the computing nodes. The computing nodes that are considered in the proposed architecture are Fog, Fog Controller Node, Neighbor Controller Node and Cloud. The frequency of the sensors is seen as the same for convenience, and the fog nodes of the same organizational levels are assumed to be of the same kind.

##### **Application response time:**

The optimization problem is formulated to minimize the response time and meet requirements such as deadline and energy usage.



**Fig. 1** DEEDSP Architecture

$Res_{time}(n)$ , is the response time of an  $n^{th}$  application. The application response time is calculated as follows:

$$Res_{time}(n) = MKspan_{time}(n) + Total_{Dept}(n) \quad (1)$$

Where

- The application makespan time,  $MKspan_{time}(n)$ , consists of the time needed to execute all application modules,  $Exec_{time}(n)$ , and the time required for communication,  $Comm_{time}(n)$ , with the application modules from the controller node.
- The total deployment time of an application  $Total_{Dept}(n)$  takes into account the time elapsed before the proper location of each service on the computational framework resource sources or the computing nodes.

$$MKspan_{time}(n) = Exec_{time}(n) + Comm_{Dept}(n) \quad (2)$$

$$Exec_{time}(n) = \frac{ModuleCapacity_n}{NodeCapacity_n} \quad (3)$$

The execution time,  $Exec_{time}(n)$ , is the module capacity over node capacity. Module capacity is "the required CPU power for the module" and the Node capacity is "the CPU power of the computational node where the application service is placed". The communication time is the sum of undeniable communication delays from the nodes where each module in an application is placed. The variables  $dist_{fog}$ ,

$dist_{nbr}$ ,  $dist_{ctrl}$ , and  $dist_{cloud}$  represent the distances from the FCN to the fog node (FN), the neighbour control node (NFCN), the controller node (FCN), and the cloud node (CN) respectively. The fog controller node acts as manager, which places the modules in the suitable nodes. The results from the nodes are returned back to the controller node. Hence the communication happens twice between the nodes.

$$MKspan_{time}(n) = \sum_{i=0}^m \left\{ Exec_{time}(n_i) + dist_{fog} * x_{fog} + 2 * dist_{nbr} * x_{nbr} + dist_{ctrl} * x_{ctrl} + 2 * dist_{cloud} * x_{cloud} \right\} \quad (4)$$

In equation (4),  $m$  is the number of modules in each application. Total deployment time of the application  $Total_{Dept}(n)$  consists of  $Dept_{time}(n)$  and the estimated extra time when an application module  $n_i$  is sent to the adjacent controller node. Here  $n_i$  represents  $i^{th}$  module in  $n^{th}$  application. The  $x_{fog}$ ,  $x_{nbr}$ ,  $x_{ctrl}$ , and  $x_{cloud}$  are binary decision variables. The value of these variables will be 1 if the  $n_i$  is placed in the appropriate node, else the value is 0. The additional deployment time comprises of delay for propagation  $P_{Delay}(n)$  and expected deployment time  $Expt_{Dept}(n)$  in neighbor controller node. We depend on the variable  $F(n)$  to cover the additional deployment time. If the neighboring controller node has at least one application module of  $n^{th}$  application propagated then  $F(n) = 1$  otherwise  $F(n) = 0$ . If  $F(n) = 1$ , we add  $P_{Delay}(n)$  and  $Expt_{Dept}(n)$  to  $Dept(n)$ . Else we add nothing to  $Dept(n)$ . We formalize the total deployment time of an application  $Total_{Dept}(n)$  as follows:

$$Total_{Dept}(n) = Dept(n) + \begin{cases} P_{Delay}(n) + Expt_{Dept}(n) & : F(n) = 1 \\ 0 & : F(n) = 0 \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

### 3.2 Energy Consumption Model

In this work, we are considering the energy consumption of computational nodes only and not considering the communication energy and cooling energy.

$$E_{node} = E_{static} + E_{dynamic} \quad (6)$$

$$E_{dynamic} = (E_{max} - E_{static}) * Util \quad (7)$$

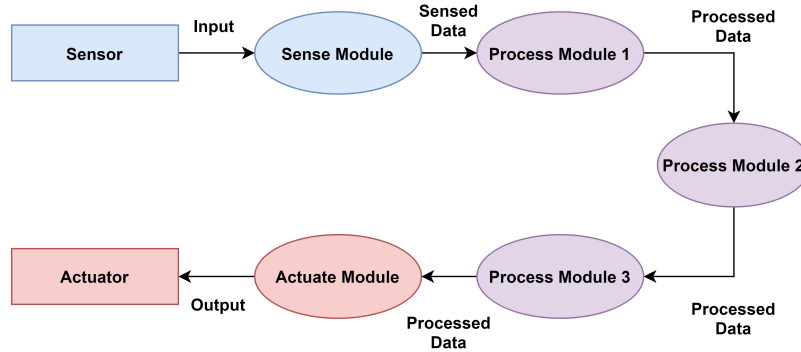
$$E_{total} = \sum_{i=0}^m E_{FN} + E_{FCN} + E_{NFCN} + E_{CN} \quad (8)$$

The goal of our work is to minimize overall energy consumption, i.e. the total energy consumption in working conditions and energy consumed in idle condition. The static energy is depleted when the computation node is inactive, and the dynamic energy refers to the host usage of resources. *Util* illustrates the host node's consumption point.  $E_{max}$  is the nominal power implied by dissipating the full power unit. Here  $m$  is the number of modules in each application.

### 3.3 Application Model

An application should be prior partitioned into modules, before it is needed to be executed on the fog environment. The collections of interdependent modules promote the distributed application concept. Each module in the application has importance and certainly performs at least some functionality in the application. The connection between two application modules is defined as application edges; if applications have an edge between them it indicates they both are dependent on each other. Distributed data flow model is a way of representing the application dependencies and data flow in a directed graph form; either sequential or unidirectional.

**Application Data flow Model for the Placement policy:** As illustrated in Figure



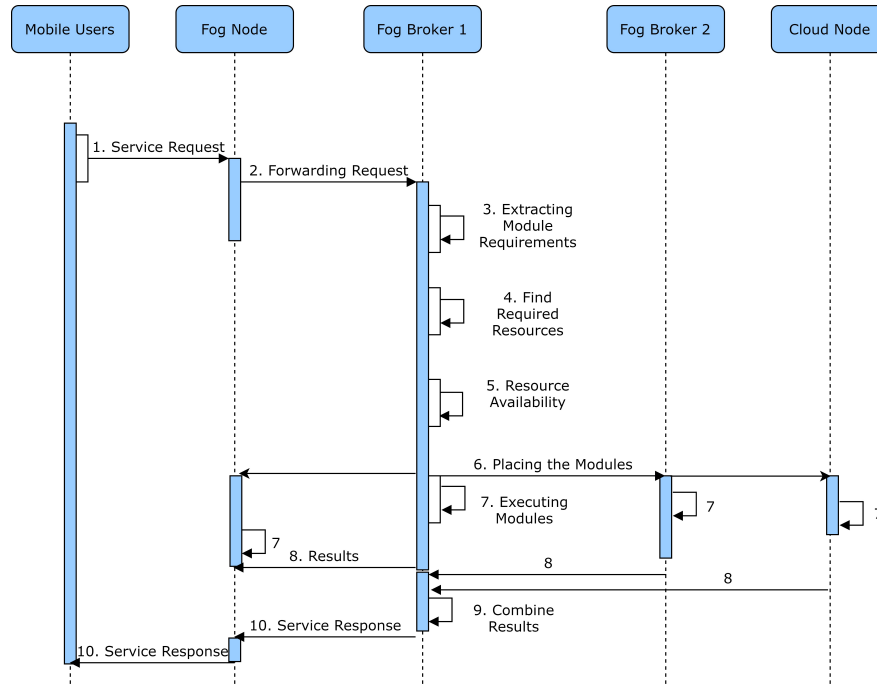
**Fig. 2** Application Dataflow model

2, the IoT applications considered in this work consists of five major modules (tasks) which perform processing - Sense Module, Process Module1, Process Module2, Process Module3 and Actuate Module. Every module in an application is characterized as a set of dependent tasks. They are run in a sequential mode. In Fig 1, the sensor transmits data from the Sense module to the application module. This module manages authentication, data receiving frequency standardization and multi-sensor data aggregation. The data coming from Sense module is processed in Process modules. The application incorporates multiple functionalities. Therefore, each processing module can perform at least single functionality on the data. The Actuate module determines and manages the activities of the associated Actuator. The app modules

are simulated with an AppModule class in iFogSim simulator. As shown in Figure 2, data dependency between modules were developed using the AppEdge class in iFogSim simulator.

### Sequence Flow of Application Service:

Figures 3 illustrates the concept where application modules are placed to VMs in



**Fig. 3** Application Dataflow model

Fog Node or Cloud Node or Fog Broker1 or Fog Broker2. Then, after processing the application modules, they are sent back to Fog Broker1 to merge and send them to user.

- Step 01: The Mobile User requests for the Application, this request is handled by the Fog Node which it is connected.
- Step 02: The Fog Node forwards the request to the Fog Broker1.
- Step 03: Fog Broker1 extracts and sequences the modules of the requested application.
- Step 04: Fog Broker1 finds the required resources of the modules for execution.
- Step 05: Fog Broker1 finds the resource availability information from itself, Fog Node, fog Broker2 and Cloud Node.
- Step 06: Fog Broker1 runs the placement algorithm to find the optimal module placement.
- Step 07: The module assign nodes are responsible for processing the assigned module.
- Step 08: The assigned nodes send the results of the modules back to the Fog Broker1.
- Step 09: Fog Broker1 combines the results which are send by the module assigned nodes.



Step 10: The response send to the Mobile User through the Fog Node which it is connected.

#### Application Process Model:

As shown in Fig. 4, applications are buffered in the Application queue at the fog controller node to achieve the objectives of improving response time and energy efficiency of all the applications. The application buffering policy can be performed on the Application queue. We propose a parallel virtual queuing model at the fog controller node that buffers the arrival application modules of the same type into a separate virtual queue as shown in Fig.1. Based on the framework, multiple IoT applications exist in the fog environment system.

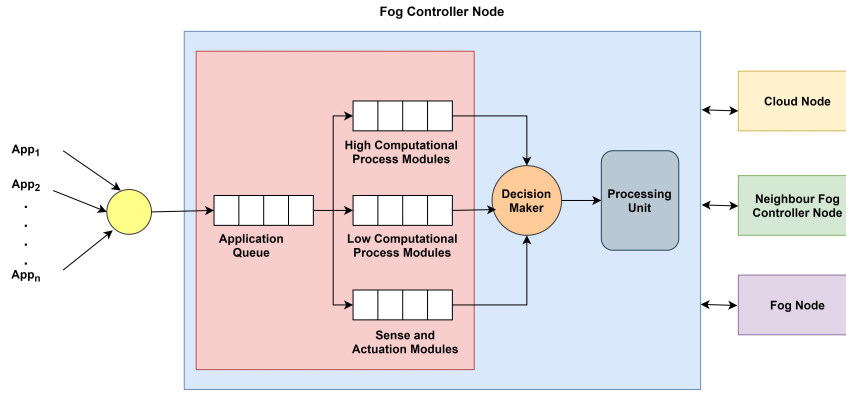


Fig. 4 Process model

## 4 Proposed Algorithm

Depending on the application deadline and energy usage, a hyper heuristic is used to put IoT applications in a fog environment. In reality, existing methods used to process the modules in the fog layer. Our strategy targets to position the delay-tolerable applications in the cloud, and neighbor node, whereas delay-sensitive applications are placed in low computational fog nodes. Comparing cloud with fog, the cloud has greater computational capacity resources, with high communication latency between cloud and Device layer. On the other hand, fog has limited computational resources, with lower communication latency between the fog and the Device layer. Furthermore, during the placement process, our approach takes application deadlines and energy consumption into account. The data considered in running the proposed algorithm is synthetic.

$$Objective\_function = \min \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^N \{Res_{time}(n) + E_{cons}(n)\} \right\} \quad (9)$$

Where,  $n$  is the index of modules in each application and  $N$  is the number of applications. The aim of the proposed algorithm is to minimize the objective function presented as above. There are three steps of the planned placement strategy:

1. Choosing an application
2. Choosing the module
3. Choosing the node

These phases are explained in the following subsections:

#### 4.1 Application selection phase

Step 1: Prioritization of applications is done according to the deadline and deployment time. The application that has least deadline-deployment time has the highest priority. If multiple ready tasks have the same priority, then an application with the First Come First Serve (FCFS) strategy is selected. The application priorities  $A_{pri}$  is given by

$$A_{pri} = D(n) - Dept(n) \quad (10)$$

#### 4.2 Module selection phase

As soon as the application is selected, the modules of the application are extracted. Later, we check how the application modules are to be categorized. This is achieved as follows:

- Step 2: Selected Application of Sense and Actuation modules are placed in Sense and Actuation Modules Queue.
- Step 3: Place the Process modules of the Application either in High Computational Process Modules or Low Computational Process Modules Queue, based on the CPU value of the process modules.

The step 2 and step 3 as discussed above are presented in the Algorithm 1. The selected heuristic algorithm  $H_i$  will evolve the solution  $Z$  for specified number of iterations by using the Govern function ( $H_i; Imp\_Flag; Div\_Flag$ ), as defined in Algorithm 2 and Algorithm 3.

**Algorithm 1:** Deadline-aware and Energy-Efficient Applications Placement

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input :  $Z\{\}, H\{\}, APP[N][M]$ 
Initialize Threshold  $W$ .
Calculate Application Priorities,  $AppsortedbasedonA_{pri}[]$ .
Construct MinHeap( $App$ ). ;
for ( $i=0; i<N; i++$ ) do
    EnQueue(SA_Queue,  $App[i][0], App[i][M-1]$ );
    for ( $j=1; j<M-1; j++$ ) do
        if ( $App[i][j] > W$ ) then
            EnQueue(HC_Queue,  $App[i][j]$ );
        else
            EnQueue(LC_Queue,  $App[i][j]$ );
    call Module_Placement( $Z, H$ );

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**4.3 Node selection phase**

Step 4: Algorithm 1 calls the *Moduleplacement* function to place the modules in the selected nodes. The *Moduleplacement*() choose the nodes as per satisfying the constraints shown below for Application Module placement.

Let  $place^{fog}(n_i)$ ,  $place^{ctrl}(n_i)$ ,  $place^{nbr}(n_i)$ ,  $place^{cloud}(n_i) \in \{0, 1\}$  be binary factors that specifies whether the module  $n_i$  is deployed on a Fog Node ( $place^{fog}(n_i) = 1$ ), or a Fog Controller Node ( $place^{ctrl}(n_i) = 1$ ), or a Neighbor Controller Node ( $place^{nbr}(n_i) = 1$ ), or on the Cloud Node ( $place^{cloud}(n_i) = 1$ ). Since the module is deployed only once, in the  $constraint_1$  is held:

$$constraint_1 : \{place^{fog}(n_i) + place^{ctrl}(n_i) + place^{nbr}(n_i) + place^{cloud}(n_i)\} \quad (11)$$

$$\forall n_i \in n, n \in N$$

The  $constraint_1$  value will be 1, because the module will be placed in at least one of the available nodes. The module placement strategy must be assured that  $Res_{time}(n)$  as specified in the  $constraint_2$ , application does not compromise its deadline,  $D(n)$ .

$$constraint_2 : \{Res_{time}(n) < D(n), \forall n \in N\} \quad (12)$$

The  $constraint_3$  in this work is that, available resources,  $Avail_{res}(r, nodes)$ , such as Processing power (CPU), storage space (STR), memory capacity (MEM) must be sufficient to required resources,  $Req_{res}n_i$ , of the application in the deployment node. This can be defined as:

$$constraint_3 : \left\{ \sum_n^N \sum_{n_i}^n Req_{res} n_i \leq Avail_{res}(r, nodes) \right\} \quad (13)$$

$$r \in \{CPU, MEM, STR\}, nodes \in \{fog, ctrl, nbr, cloud\}$$

The  $constraint_4$  in this work represents the sensing ( $x_i$ ) and actuation ( $y_i$ ) modules of the application that should be placed in lower Fog Nodes only. It is defined as below:

$$constraint_4 : \{place^{fog}(n_{x_i}) \ \&\& \ place^{fog}(n_{y_i})\} = 1 \quad (14)$$

The above  $constraints_{1,2,4}$  are applicable independently for each application.

Step 5: The Algorithm 2, called Module Placement is shown below. First two of the Input parameters of the algorithm are population of the solution and the candidate pool. The population of the solution is specified the placement plans of the application modules in the computational nodes. The Module Placement algorithm sequentially selects the heuristic algorithm  $H_i$  from the candidate pool  $H$ . The set  $H$  comprises three hyper heuristic algorithms, Genetic Algorithm, Particle Swarm Optimization, Simulated Annealing,  $H = \{GA, PSO, SA\}$ . The selected heuristic algorithm  $H_i$  will then be performed repeatedly until the Maximum iterations is reached or if there is no improvement, as shown in Algorithm 2.

The *Module Placement* algorithm uses the *Diversity\_Detection()* and the *Improvement\_Detection()* functions. During the convergence phase it uses those two functions to balance the strengthening and variegation in the search of the solutions. The flags *Improvement\_Detection*, *Imp\_Flag*, *Div\_Flag*, and *Diversity\_Detection* determine if a new heuristic algorithm is to be chosen. *Imp\_Flag* is alone used for Heuristic Algorithms that are based on single solution, while Heuristic Algorithms that are based on population both these *Imp\_Flag* and *Div\_Flag* are used.

Step 6: The *Module Placement* algorithm will randomly select the next algorithm  $H_i$  from  $H$  whenever the *Govern()* function returns *True*. Then the solution  $Z$  is obtained, as shown in Algorithm 3, to refine the solution.

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**Algorithm 2: Module Placement**


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**input** :  $Z\{\}, H\{\}, Max\_iterations, Not\_improve$

Select a Heuristic Algorithm  $H_i$  from set  $H$ .

**while** ( $Max\_iterations$  reached or  $Not\_improve$  is reduced to zero) **do**

    Using  $H_i$ , improve the population of solutions  $Z$  ;

$Imp\_Flag = Improvement\_Detection()$  ;

$Div\_Flag = Diversity\_Detection()$  ;

$Flag = Govern(H_i, Imp\_Flag, Div\_Flag)$  ;

**if** ( $Flag == TRUE$ ) **then**

        Select next  $H_i$  from set  $H$ ;

$Z = Fine\_Tune(Z)$  ;

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Step 7:

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**Algorithm 3: Govern**


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**input** :  $H, Imp\_Flag, Div\_Flag$   
 $S$  = Single Solution Based Heuristic Algorithms  
 $P$  = Population Based Heuristic Algorithms  
**if**  $((H \in S \ \&\& \ Imp\_Flag == TRUE) \parallel (H \in P \ \&\& \ Imp\_Flag, Div\_Flag == TRUE))$  **then**  
    return FALSE ;  
**else**  
    return TRUE ;

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In Algorithm 4, while selecting the next heuristic algorithm  $H_i$  from the candidate pool  $H$  a sequential selection method is employed. The Algorithm *Module\_Placement*, suggests when to change to the next heuristic algorithm from the list  $H_i$ . If after a defined number of iterations, the selected  $H_i$ 's *Not\_improve*, can't better the fitness value (which is obtained by BSDEE value) then we pick a new heuristic algorithm by returning a *False* value to the calling function. The *Improvement\_Detection* function will suggest choosing a new Heuristic Algorithm in three situations: when iterations exceed the *Maxiterations*, the flag *Not\_improve* has been met, and If the condition of termination is satisfied.

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**Algorithm 4: Improvement\_Detection**


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BSDEE = Best so far Deadline and Energy Efficient  
**if**  $(BSDEE \text{ is not Improved})$  **then**  
    return FALSE  
**else**  
    return TRUE

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Step 8: In Algorithm 5, the *Diversity\_Detection()* function determines when to change the heuristic algorithm from the list  $H$ . Diversity of the initial solution  $D(Z)$  is considered as the threshold value. (i.e. fitness values of the initial solution). Average of the fitness function is determined as the diversity of the current solution  $D(Z)$ . If the threshold value is less than the diversity of the current solution  $D(Z)$  and *Module\_Placement()* algorithm will then select the next new Heuristic algorithm.

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**Algorithm 5: Diversity\_Detection**


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$CS$  = Current Solution  
**if**  $(CS > Threshold)$  **then**  
    return FALSE;  
**else**  
    return TRUE;

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**Algorithm 6:** Fine\_Tune**input** :  $Z$ Send the solutions obtained by  $H_i$  to the next chosen  $H_i$  as input;

Step 9: In Algorithm 6, the newly selected Hyper heuristic algorithm receives the fine tuned solutions obtained by  $H_i$  from the *Fine\_Tune()* algorithm. This means that the candidate solutions created by the heuristic algorithm  $H_i$  can be used to balance the intensification and variegation of the search. More precisely, the change in the solutions of the population is performed by the *Fine\_Tune()* algorithm.

**Complexity Analysis:** The running time complexity depends on the size of the application list, which is  $N$ . The scheduler needs  $O(N \log N)$  time complexity to arrange this list of applications and the space complexity is estimated to be  $O(N)$ . The time complexity of each heuristic algorithm in list  $H$  is  $O(SP^2)$ , here  $S$  specifies the number of sub solutions of each solution of the problem and  $P$  indicates the population size. So, if all heuristic algorithms are limited to  $SP^2$  and  $r$  is the number of iterations the algorithm takes, then  $O(rSP^2)$  is the time complexity of the hyper heuristic algorithm.  $O(N \log N + rSP^2)$  is the total computational complexity of the proposed algorithm.

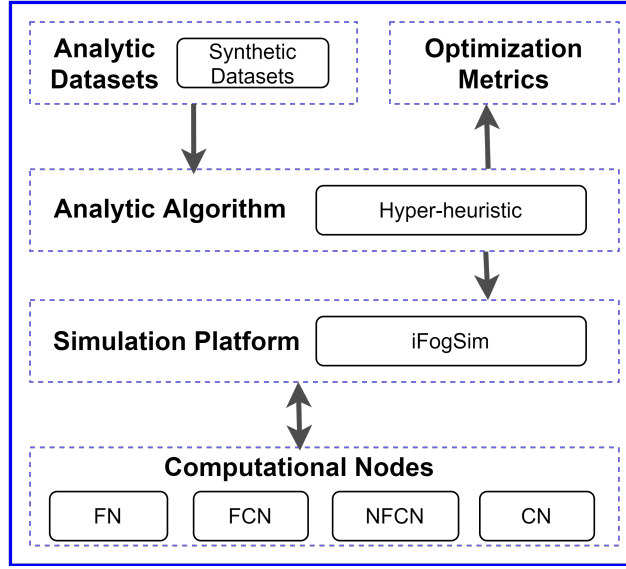
## 5 Performance Evaluation

This section discusses the experimental methodology and results.

### 5.1 Experimental Methodology

There must be three primary dimensions of representation that need to be addressed for the system benchmarking: computational platform, algorithm, and analyzing on set of data. In the proposed work, we have done an extensive evaluation of system with simulation tool and analytics algorithm. There are various simulation tools with its own advantages such as iFogSim [24], FogNetSim++ [42], MyiFogSim [43], and YAFS [44]. In this work, we used iFogSim simulator [24], which is most popular fog computing simulator [39]. Further, iFogSim simulator is the most appropriate simulator for simulating IoT, Fog, and Cloud computation nodes in a hierarchical architecture. It is ideal choice for evaluating multiple key elements, such as response time and energy consumption of IoT applications.

We used Fog Nodes, Fog Controller Node, Neighbor Controller Node and Cloud Node as the computing nodes for benchmarking. The performance metrics of the proposed work are satisfying applications deadline by minimizing response time and energy efficiency. The overall experimental framework is shown in Fig. 5.



**Fig. 5** Experimental framework

For the analytics algorithm, we present hyper heuristic algorithm for applications placement. We have evaluated the proposed work for benchmarking experiments with different existing algorithms.

## 5.2 Experimental Environment

Table 2 provides the experimental environment for the evaluation process of our model. Java with JDK 1.8 is used for developing fog infrastructure with iFogSim simulator. In our simulations, the processing power of processors is expressed by MIPS (Million Instructions Per Second).

**Table 2** Simulation Setup

|                  |                                |
|------------------|--------------------------------|
| System           | Intel Core i5-2430 CPU,2.40GHz |
| Memory           | 8 GB                           |
| Simulator        | iFogSim                        |
| Operating System | Windows 7 Professional         |
| Topology model   | Hierarchy                      |

### Network topologies and resource description:

In terms of cloud Network Connectivity from the controller node and applications, the suggested solution proposes module placement plans for various scenarios. The

structure of the network topology is as follows: Sensors and Actuators are at lowest level in the hierarchy, the next level contains several Fog Nodes (FN) controlled by a Fog orchestration Controller Node (FCN), which resides in the next level, at the same level, one Neighbor cluster Fog Controller Node (NFCN) is also placed, and a Cloud node (CN) is at the top most level. Table 3 shows a setup framework consisting of 1 cluster, with 10 fog nodes, controlled by the FCN and connecting to NFCN and the CN node.

**Table 3** Characteristics of the computation node

| Node Type            | Number Of Nodes | Delays(s) | CPU(MIPS) | RAM(GB) | Placement |            |
|----------------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|---------|-----------|------------|
|                      |                 |           |           |         | Power Max | Power Idle |
| Fog                  | 10              | 0.2       | 100       | 0.5     | 88.57     | 80.23      |
| Fog Controller       | 1               | 0         | 1000      | 2       | 109.33    | 85.47      |
| Neighbour Controller | 1               | 0.5       | 1000      | 2       | 109.33    | 85.47      |
| Cloud                | 1               | 5         | 10000     | 4       | 170.62    | 110.82     |

#### Module configuration and resource demands:

We have analyzed applications such as Motion, Video, Sound, Temp and Humidity. These application Deadlines, Deployment times are mentioned in Table 4.

**Table 4** Applications configuration

| Applications | Deadlines | Deployment Time |
|--------------|-----------|-----------------|
| Motion       | 120       | 60              |
| Video        | 300       | 0               |
| Sound        | 300       | 60              |
| Temp         | 360       | 60              |
| Humidity     | 240       | 0               |

Each application contains 5 modules. They include Sensing, Data aggregation, Data Analysis, Decision Making and Actuate. These module's Processing power (CPU), storage space (STR), and memory capacity (MEM) are given in the Table 5. Concrete examples for these descriptions are presented in the next subsection that describes different application scenarios. Different parameters have been varied to ensure the diversity of the simulations.

Table 6 presents the parameters that influence the results and their values considered in the algorithms GS, DoSP, GA, PSO, SA and proposed DEEDSP. The GS [29] and DoSP [31] algorithms are GA based algorithms. So, the population size, crossover, mutation and elitism rate of GS, DoSP, GA algorithms are same.



**Table 5** Required resources of application modules

| Service module          | Scenario 1 CPU (MIPS) | Scenario 2 CPU (MIPS) | MEM (MB) | STR (MB) |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------|----------|
| Sensing module          | 50                    | 50                    | 30       | 10       |
| Data aggregation module | 200                   | 300                   | 10       | 30       |
| Data analysis module    | 200                   | 300                   | 20       | 30       |
| Decision making module  | 100                   | 300                   | 30       | 30       |
| Actuate module          | 50                    | 50                    | 20       | 10       |

**Table 6** Parameters of GS, DoSP and DEEDSP algorithms for IoT applications placement

| Algorithm | Parameter Values   |
|-----------|--|
| GA        | Population size = 50, Crossover rate=0.5, Mutation rate=0.02, Elitism=0.2, Generations=10<br>Swarm size=50, Acceleration rate=2<br>Starting temperature=10, Cooling rate=0.05<br>max iteration of low-level algorithm=50, non-improved iteration threshold=5 |
| PSO       |  |
| SA        |  |
| DEEDSP    |  |

### 5.3 Performance Metrics

We believe that by placing the application modules will improve application response time, deadline-aware and energy-efficiency. Hence, our criteria to evaluate the proposed approach are deadline aware placement and minimizing the energy consumption. Our null hypothesis and alternate hypothesis are given below:

- H0: There will be no difference in meeting the application deadline and energy consumption of the computation nodes after placing, using Hyper heuristic algorithm.  
H1: The proposed technique (DEEDSP) with placement using hyper-heuristic will have minimize energy consumption and satisfying deadlines of the application.

### 5.4 Evaluation Scenarios

The aim of this assessment is to analyze in contrast with different current methods how successful framework module placement plans are. Those approaches are Cloud Only placement, Collaborative Task Offloading scheme with Service Orchestration (CTOSO) [40], Edge-ward placement (EWP) [24], Genetic scenario (GS) [29], Deadline oriented Service Placement (DoSP) [31], Genetic Algorithm [16], Particle Swarm Optimization [17], and Simulated Annealing [15]. In applying for different service placement policies, we observe the response time, resource utilization, deadlines and energy use. All application modules are placed on a cloud node in the cloud only policy. This policy illustrates the advantages of fog cluster decentralization. Collaborative task offloading scheme with service orchestration policy, gives the higher priorities to the shorter delay modules requirements. The application modules are placed closed to the edge fog nodes and if it is not possible then it placed

in cloud. In the edge-ward algorithm, modules will be positioned at the network edge and will move from the fog nodes towards the cloud. The Genetic scenario is based on the Genetic Algorithm investigate a large search space for providing the qualitative solution for QoS placement. The DoSP policy is a modified Genetic algorithm, this algorithm places the sensing and actuation modules in the FN, high prioritized processing modules in FCN, and the remaining processing modules in NFCN or CN.

## 5.5 Analysis of Results

This section analysis the results of time frame-conscious application placement and reduction of the energy consumption as the functions with different application complexities (i.e. latency sensitive, latency tolerable applications with various computational capacities). They have been thoroughly evaluated through iFogSim simulator on existing state-of-art approaches and proposed approach.

The results are divided into two scenarios. Scenario 1 has applications with low computation. Scenario 2 has applications with high computation. The computations are differentiated by comparing them with FN computations.

## 5.6 Response Time:

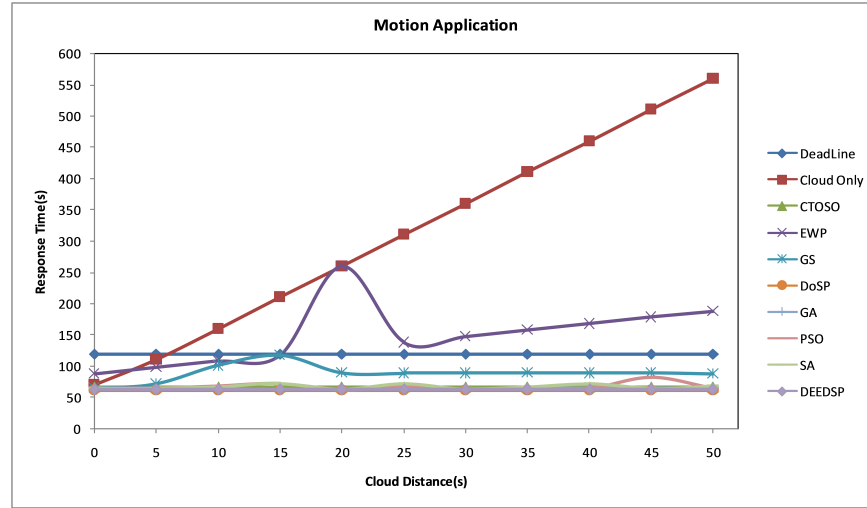
### 5.6.1 Scenario 1:

#### Deadline Satisfaction:

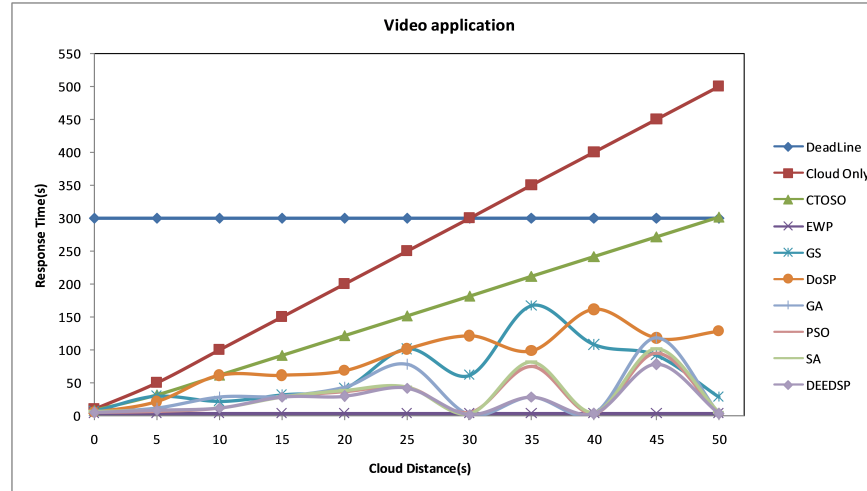
Each application's response time,  $Res_{time}$  is determined by the equation (5). The execution time ( $Exec_{time}$ ) and the total time of deployment ( $Total_{Dept}$ ) is computed with (1) and (2) with the respective data given in Tables 3, 4 and 5. After computations, the corresponding deadline  $D(n)$  of the application in Table 4 shall be compared to  $Res_{time}$  with various cloud distances. The results for the first scenario are shown in Figure 6, 7 and 8.

The Cloud-only policy exceeds the application deadline for Motion, Video, Sound, Temp, and Humidity applications as shown in Figure 6, 7 and 8. It exceeds deadline with an average cloud distance of 25 but in case of Motion Application it exceeds at 10, as it has short deadline.

The CTOSO policy exceeds the deadline in Video and Temp applications at the cloud distance of 50 as shown in Figure 6(b), 7(b) respectively. This policy does not exceed the deadline for short deadline application even at high cloud distances, because it places the application in FN. The long deadline applications will be given priority to place in CN, hence the applications exceed the deadline. At a cloud distance 50, two latency tolerable applications (i.e. Video and Temp) exceed the deadline. The EWP policy exceeds the deadline for the Motion application at the distance 20. The previous applications may have exhausted the resources, FN



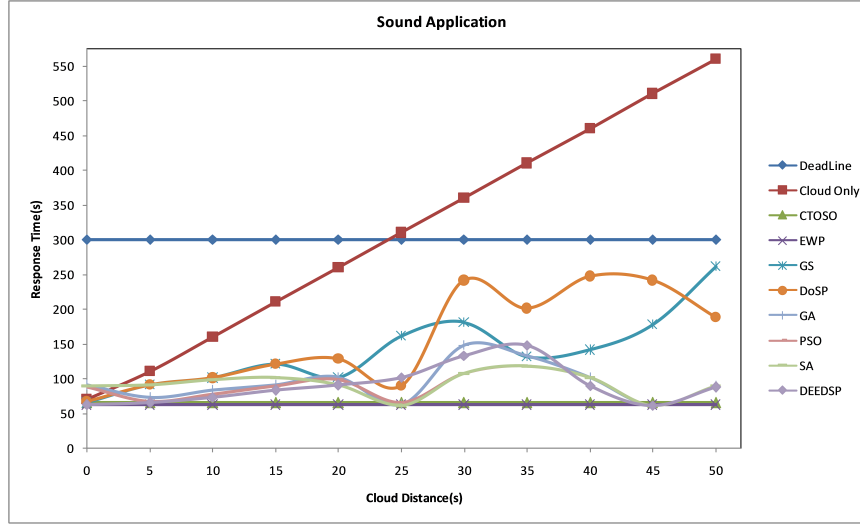
(a) Motion application



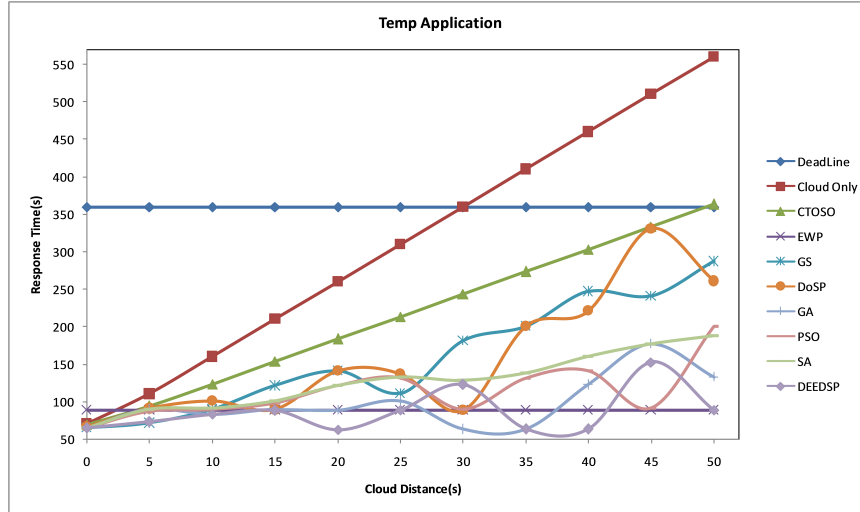
(b) Video application

**Fig. 6** Performance comparison of Motion and Video applications

and FCN, hence the forth coming applications are left with resources, NFCN and CN. When the TAU and CN distance is high there may be a chance to exceed the deadline. The GS, DoSP, GA, PSO, SA and DEEDSP policies does not exceed the deadlines in any scenario. The methods Cloud Only, CTOSO, and EWP exceeds the application deadline. CTOSO exceeds the deadline for latency tolerable applications at high cloud distances and for latency sensitive applications with high computation. EWP policy exceeds the deadline for latency sensitive applications with low and high computation. For short deadline applications, DoSP gives better response time where



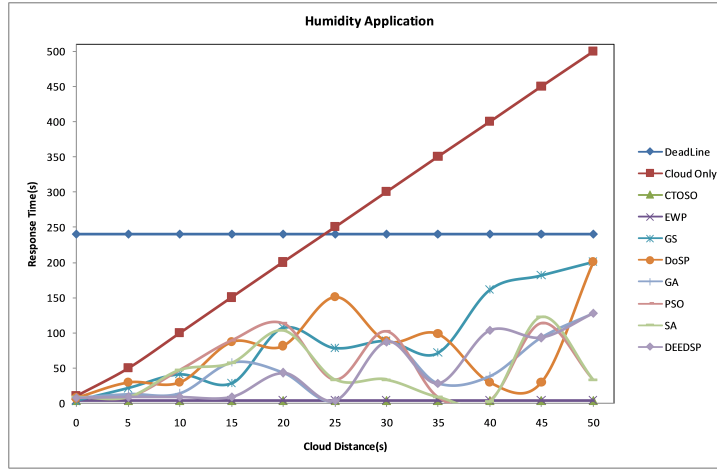
(a) Sound application



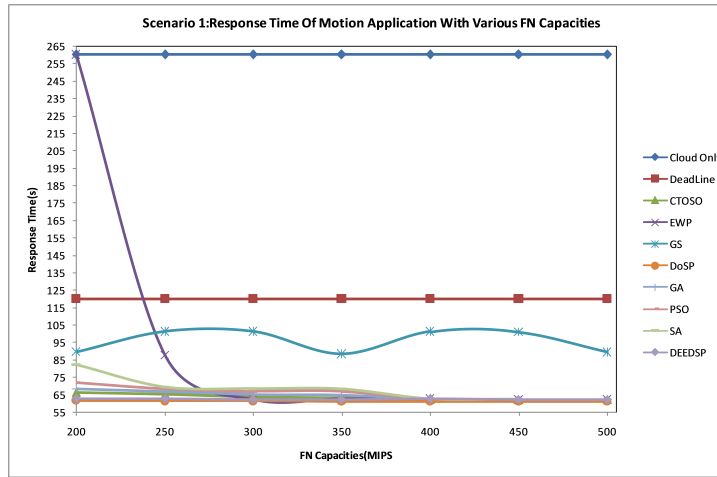
(b) Temp application

**Fig. 7** Performance comparison of Sound and Temp applications

as for high cloud distances DEEDSP gives better response times. GA, PSO, SA, and DEEDSP policies produced low 'combined response time' than GS and DoSP. Applications like Video and Temp whose deadlines are far enough, EWP has proven to be the best, while at a point, 50, it is observed that the proposed method outperforms EWP. In low and high computational tasks DoSP provides least response times for latency sensitive applications. Comparatively in high computational modules the DEEDSP provides equal response times for latency sensitive applications. In Figure

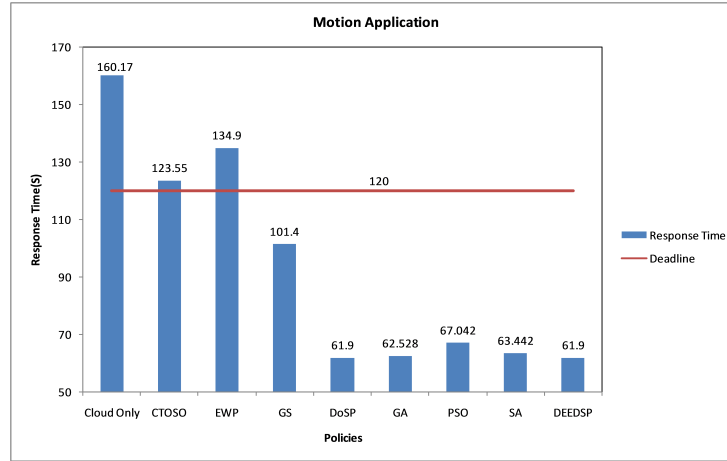


**Fig. 8** Performance comparison of Humidity application

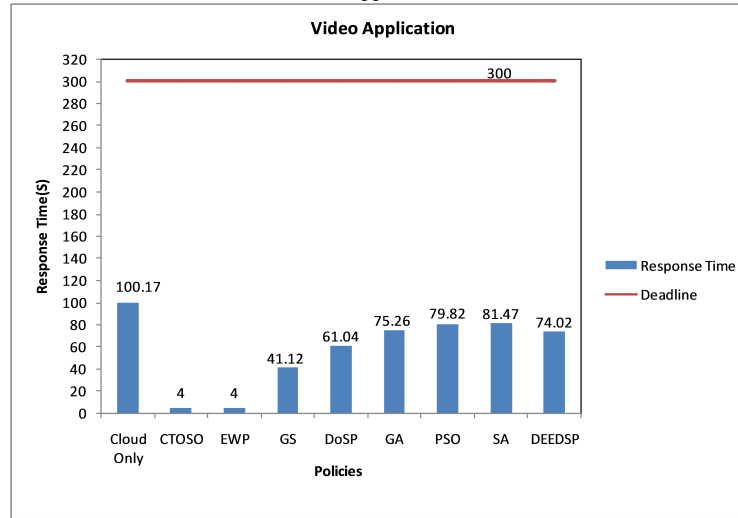


**Fig. 9** Response time of Motion Application with various FN capacities

8, it is observed that GS and DoSP policies placed the application such that they are close to its deadline. Figure 9 displays the response times of motion application, for  $\tau = 25$ , cloud distance = 20, and varying FN MIPS. In this situation, the Cloud Only and EWP policies exceed the deadline at 200 MIPS. The proposed method produced low ‘combined response times’ than all other policies.



(a) Motion application

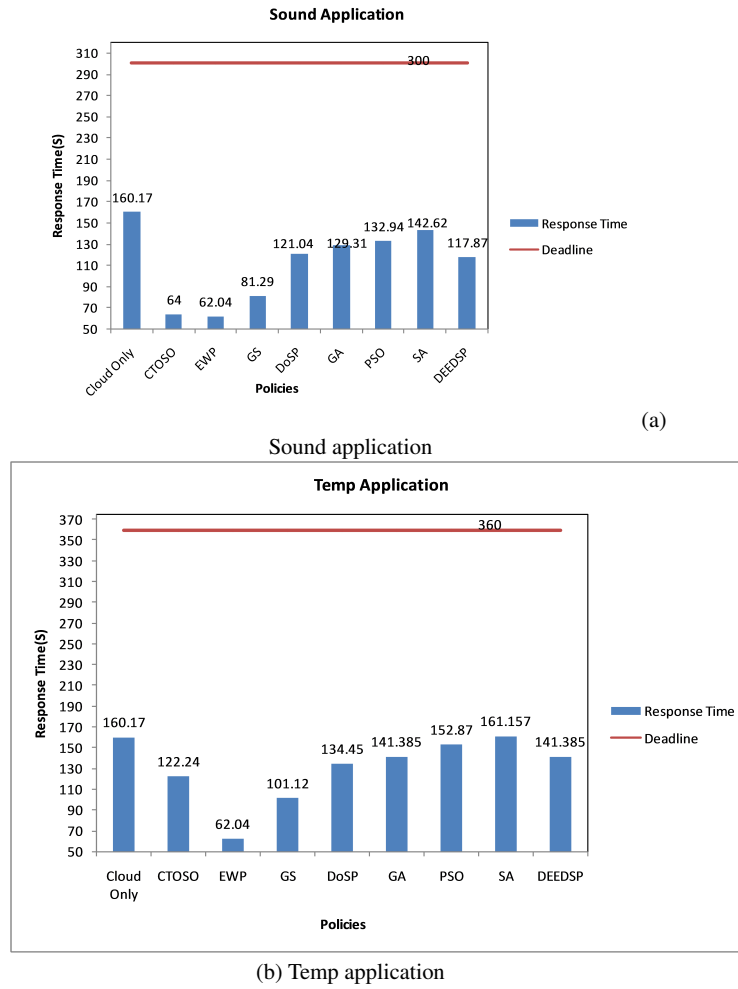


(b) Video application

**Fig. 10** Performance comparison of Motion and Video applications

### 5.6.2 Scenario 2:

The results for the second scenario are presented in the Figures 10, 11, 12, and 13. In this scenario at the cloud distance of 10, all the policies that were used for comparison do not exceed the deadline in all the applications except in Motion application. In this motion application Cloud Only, CTOSO, and EWP policies exceeds the deadline. CTOSO exceeds the deadline as there is no possibility to place the high computational modules in FN. The proposed DEEDSP algorithm places this application in FCN, so it is observed from the results that DEEDSP performs



**Fig. 11** Performance comparison of Sound and Temp applications

equally well as the DoSP. Figure 13 shows the response times of motion application, for  $\text{TAU} = 25$ , cloud distance = 20, and varying FN MIPS. In this situation, the Cloud Only, EWP, and CTOSO policies exceed the deadline up to the MIPS reaches 250. Until MIPS 250, DEEDSP scheme and DoSP performed equally well, for the higher MIPS values DoSP performs slightly better than the proposed DEEDSP algorithm.

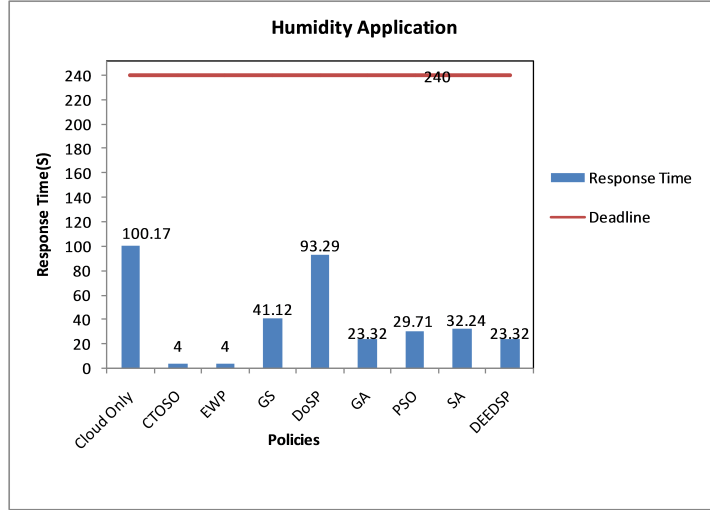


Fig. 12 Performance comparison of Humidity application

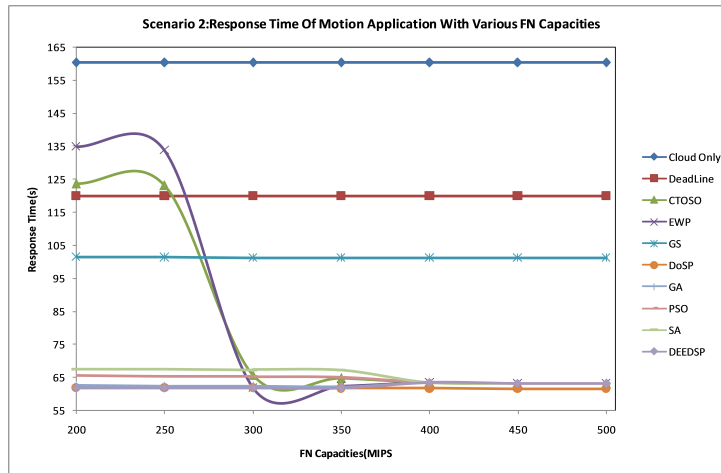
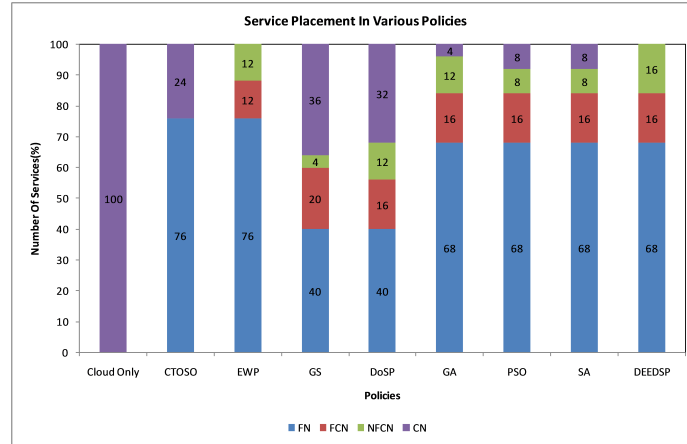


Fig. 13 Response time of Motion Application with various FN capacities

## 5.7 Resource Utilization:

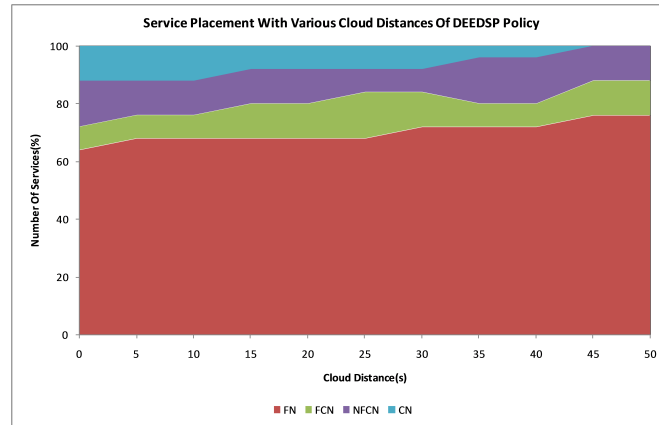
The cloud utilization for Cloud Only, CTOSO, EWP, GS, DoSP, GA, PSO, SA, and DEEDSP policies is 100%, 24%, 0%, 36%, 32%, 4%, 8%, 8%, and 0% respectively is shown in Figure 14. The FN utilization of Cloud Only, CTOSO, EWP, GS, DoSP, GA, PSO, SA, and DEEDSP policies is 0%, 76%, 76%, 40%, 40%, 68%, 68%, 68%, and 68% respectively. The FCN utilization of Cloud Only, CTOSO, EWP, GS, DoSP, GA, PSO, SA, and DEEDSP policies is 0%, 0%, 12%, 20%, 16%, 16%, 16%, 16%, and 16% respectively.





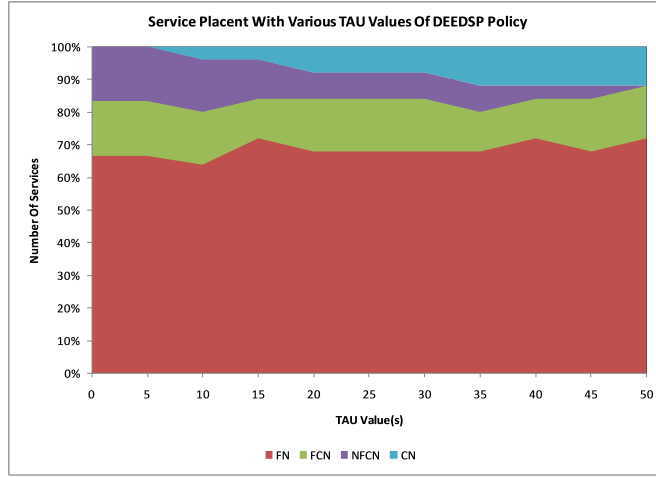
**Fig. 14** Service Placement In Various Policies

16%, and 16% respectively. Finally, the NFCN utilization for Cloud Only, CTOSO, EWP, GS, DoSP, GA, PSO, SA, and DEEDSP policies is 0%, 0%, 12%, 4%, 12%, 12%, 8%, 8%, and 16% respectively. In both GS and DoSP policies, the fog nodes are allowed to run only the sensing and actuation modules of an application. If we observe all the policies, the EWP and DEEDSP policy has placed no application modules in the cloud node. The GS policy has placed more modules in cloud node except in Cloud Only policy. CTOSO, EWP, GA, PSO, SA, and DEEDSP policies placed more or almost same number of modules in FN nodes than GS, DoSP and Cloud Only.



**Fig. 15** Service Placement With Various Cloud Distances Of DEEDSP Policy

Figure 15 shows the share of each resource type, while varying the cloud distance. As the cloud distance increase the module placement in the cloud node gets gradually decreased. To avoid applications to exceed its deadline the applications are placed in fog node, this will increase the fog node utilization. In a deadline-aware environment, with the increase in the TAU value and respectively the cloud distances, the modules are preferred to get placed mostly in FCN rather than in NFCN.

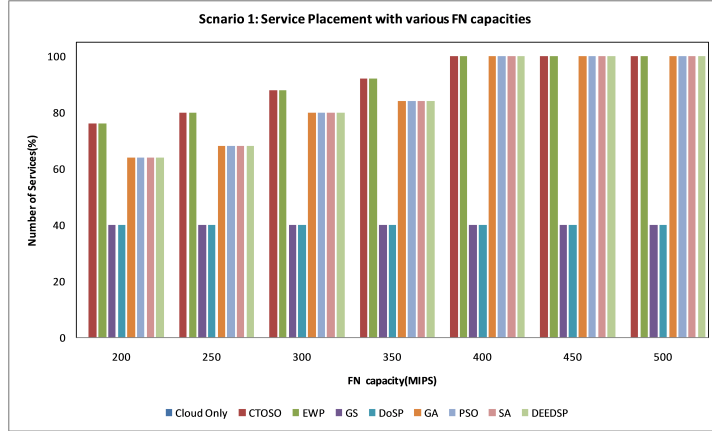


**Fig. 16** Service Placement With Various TAU Values Of DEEDSP Policy

With the increase in TAU value the module placement in the NFCN is gradually decreased because of the application deadline, this can be observed in Figure 16. The module placement increases either in cloud node, FCN, or FN node. If we increase the cloud distance along with the TAU values the modules is preferred to run in FN node or FCN node. The applications which are far from the deadline are preferred to place either in NFCN or CN.

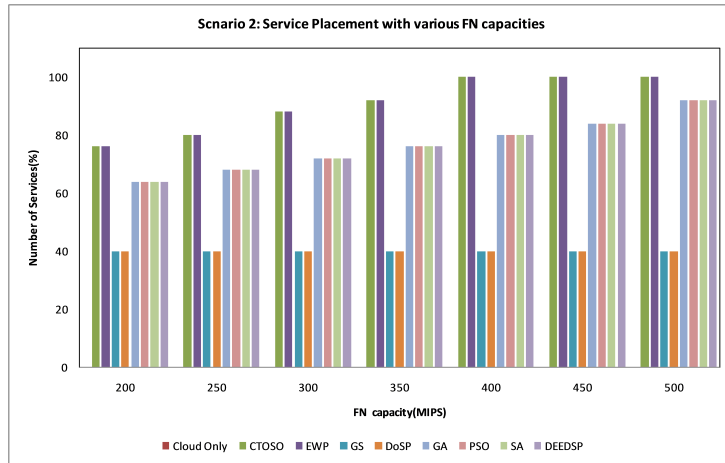
### 5.7.1 Scenario 1:

Figure 17 shows the FN utilization for varying FN's MIPS values. The applications are assumed to have low computational cost and short deadline. Observations can be made that the Cloud Only policy does not place the application modules in the FN node. GA, PSO, SA, CTOSO and EWP policies places the equal number of modules in the FN node. GS and DoSP policies utilize 40% of the fog node resources for the all FN node MIPS. These two policies do not allow placing the application's process modules. In the GA, PSO, SA, and DEEDSP schemes, until 350 MIPS, FN node utilization is lesser than CTOSO, EWP, GA, PSO, and SA policies. After 400 MIPS CTOSO, EWP and DEEDSP policies place all the modules in FN node.



**Fig. 17** FN utilization with various capacities

### 5.7.2 Scenario 2:

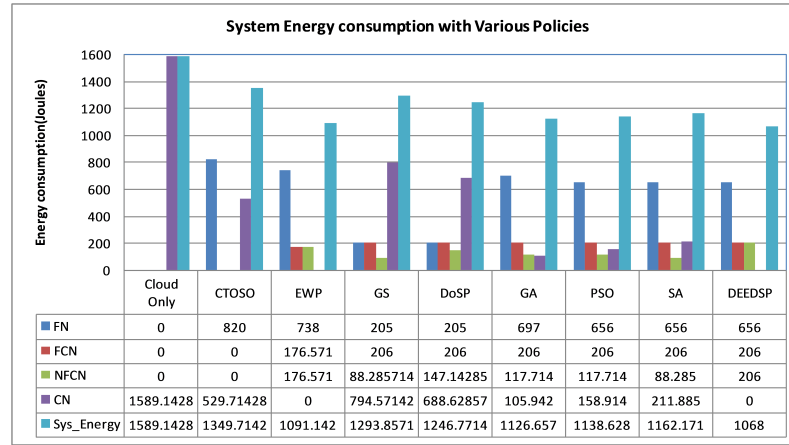


**Fig. 18** FN utilization with various capacities

Figure 18 shows the FN utilization with respect to various FN MIPS values. The applications are assumed to have high computational cost and short deadline. Here in the case of Cloud Only policy, it does not place the application modules in the FN node. Same as in the previous case, CTOSO and EWP policies places the equal number of modules in the FN node. Coming to GS and DoSP policies, they utilize 40% of the fog node resources, here only the sensing and actuation modules of the applications are allowed to run in FN. These two policies do not place the

application process modules in FN. In the GA, PSO, SA, and DEEDSP policies, FN node utilization is lesser than CTOSO, EWP, GA, PSO, SA and DEEDSP policies. Here in the same policy FN nodes are occupied by sensing and actuation modules which block the FN nodes from running other modules. After 400 MIPS CTOSO, and EWP policies place all the modules in FN node.

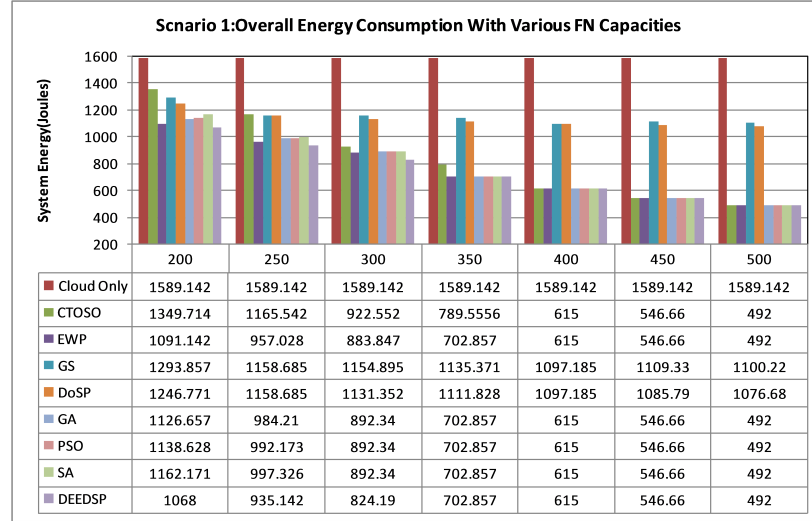
## 5.8 Energy Utilization:



**Fig. 19** System Energy consumption of Various Policies

In Figure 19, The Cloud-only policy consumes more energy than all other policies. It places all modules in cloud, so cloud takes more energy for executing the modules. The policies GA, PSO, SA consumes less energy than all the other policies except EWP, DEEDSP. The EWP and DEEDSP policy consumes lesser or equal Cloud (CN) energy than all the other policies. DEEDSP policy consumes less energy than all the other policies. CTOSO policy places more modules in FN. CTOSO consumes more FN energy because it places more modules in FN. In CTOSO policy, it gives priority to place the modules in the fog node and the remaining modules in Cloud (CN). EWP and DEEDSP policies mostly does not place the modules in the cloud. EWP consumes more energy than DEEDSP because of high FN energies. All the policies that consider FCN for placement except EWP, consumes equal FCN energies. The NFCN energy is high for DEEDSP than all other policies which consider NFCN. This policy succeeds other policies in utilizing the NFCN node with out exceeding the application deadline.

### 5.8.1 Scenario 1:

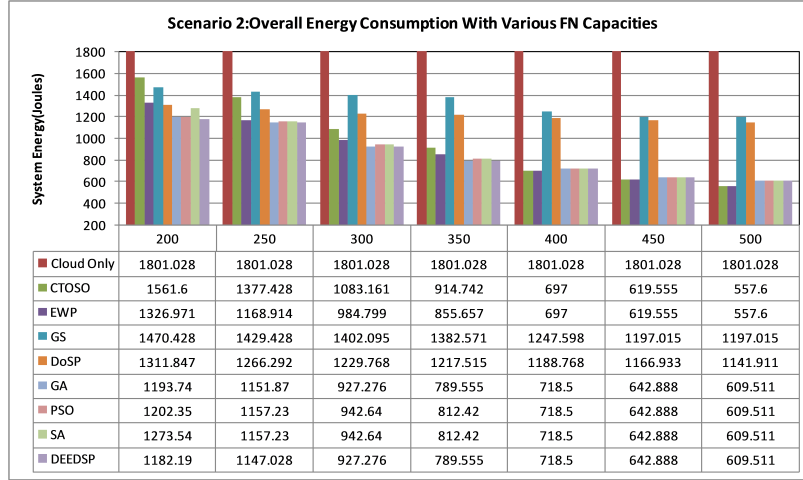


**Fig. 20** Overall Energy Consumption With Various FN Capacities

Figure 20 shows the energy consumption for varying Fog Node MIPS. The Cloud energy consumption is constant in the case of Cloud Only policy for all the FN MIPS values. Up to 350 FN MIPS value, DEEDSP consumes less energy than all other policies. Up to 250 FN MIPS, the CTOSO consumes more energy than DEEDSP policy because it places more modules in the cloud node. From 400 FN MIPS, the CTOSO, EWP, GA, PSO, SA, and DEEDSP policies consume same amount of energy, as there is enough space to accommodate all the modules alone in FN. The GS and DoSP policies are not affected by the increase of FN MIPS value. These two policies place the sensing and actuation modules only in FN. It utilizes the FN resources equally even the FN MIPS value increases. The proposed DEEDSP consumes lesser or sometimes equal energy than other policies for to varied FN capacities.

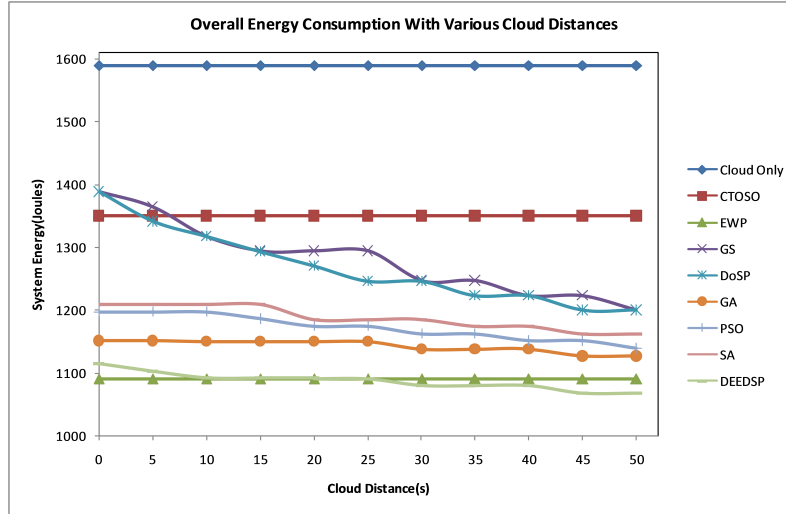
### 5.8.2 Scenario 2:

The Cloud Only policy, as shown in Figure 21, consumes constant amount of energy for various FN MIPS as all the modules are placed in CN. Until 350 FN MIPS of the fog node, DEEDSP consumes less or equal energy than all the other policies. DEEDSP policy has organized to place all the high computation modules in FN. From 400 FN MIPS CTOSO and EWP policies are proven to be the best in system energy consumption. GS and DoSP policies are not affected by the FN MIPS value;



**Fig. 21** Overall Energy Consumption With Various FN Capacities

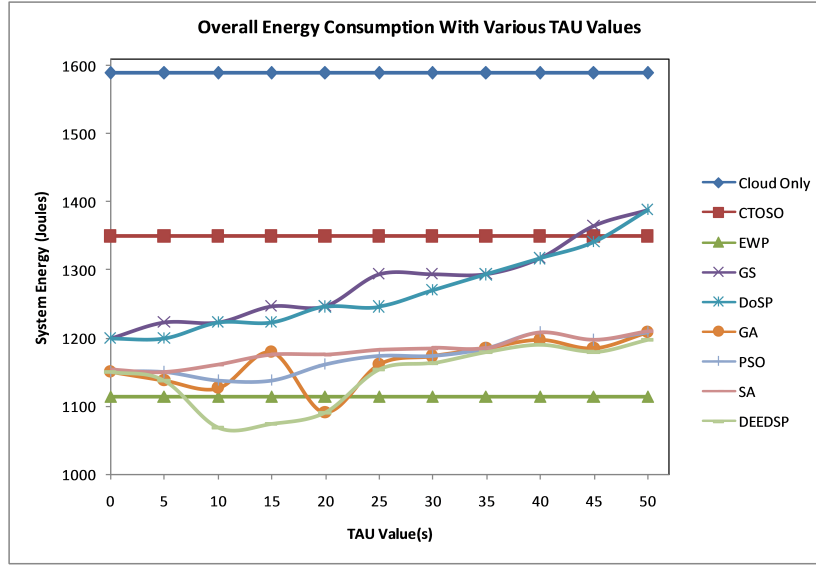
these two policies place sensing and actuation modules only in FN. It utilizes the FN resources consistently even the FN MIPS value increases. It is also observed that, starting at 400 MIPS GA, PSO, SA, and DEEDSP consumed equal FN energies.



**Fig. 22** Overall Energy Consumption With Various Cloud Distances

Figure 22 presents the energy consumption of all the policies with varied cloud distances. The energy consumption of Cloud Only, CTOSO and EWP policies does not get affect by the change in cloud distance. GS, DoSP, GA, PSO, SA, and DEEDSP

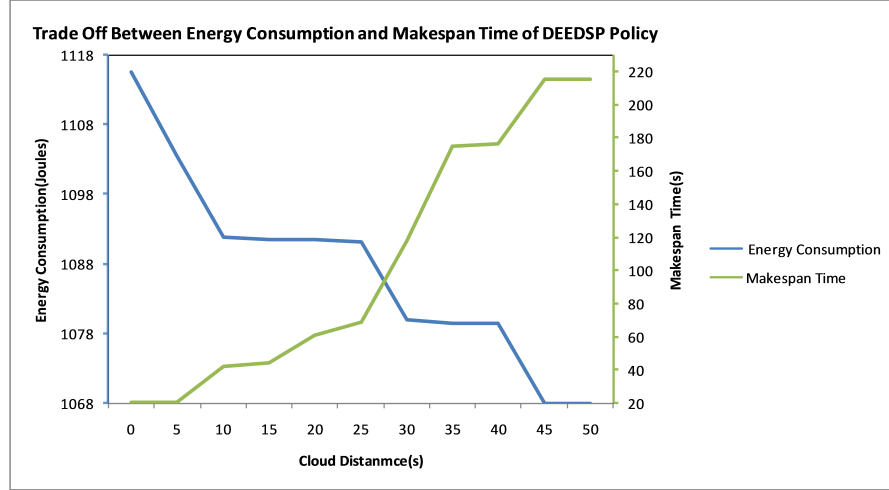
polices energy consumption is decreased with increase in the cloud distance. When the cloud distance is increased these 3 policies avoid placing the modules in the cloud. Reducing the module placement in cloud avoids the application to exceed its deadline. The proposed method consumes less energy than all other policies at high cloud distances. GA, PSO, and SA policies consumes less energy then other policies except EWP and DEEDSP policies.



**Fig. 23** Overall Energy Consumption With Various TAU Values

Figure 23 shows the energy consumption of all policies with various TAU values. Between TAU values 5 to 20, the energy consumption of GA and DEEDSP is less than EWP policy. The energy consumption of Cloud Only, CTOSO and EWP policies does not change with TAU values. In Cloud Only policy all modules are placed in cloud node so it does not get impact by the TAU value, hence keeps the energy consumption constant. As in Cloud Only the scenario in CTOSO policy is same. Even after increasing the TAU value, the EWP policy places the modules in the neighbor controller node in a hierarchical order. So there is no change in the energy consumption with increased TAU values. In GS, DoSP, GA, PSO, SA, and DEEDSP policies, the total energy consumption of the system is increased with respect to the increase in the TAU value. When the TAU values increases, the GS and DoSP policies try to place the modules in FCN and CN. If more modules are placed in controller node and cloud node it automatically consumes more energy. With increase in TAU value, the DEEDSP policy energy consumption is lower than the GS, DoSP, GA, PSO, and SA. When the TAU value is increased the GS, DoSP, GA, PSO, SA, and DEEDSP policies minimize the module placement in neighbor fog controller node to avoid exceeding deadline.

### 5.8.3 Trade-off between energy and Execution Time



**Fig. 24** Trade-off Between Energy Consumption and Makespan Time of DEEDSP Policy

Figure 24 plots the change in time and energy with a function of cloud distance ( $D$ ) achieved by DEEDSP policy. In the case,  $D = 0$ , Energy consumption is maximized, however Makespan Time is very less at 20.64s because many modules are assigned to CN. At a cloud distance  $D = 15$ , energy consumption and makespan time is improved by 23.543 joules and 23.74 sec respectively. As  $D$  gradually changes to 50, the energy consumption decreases and the makespan time increases. Here in the DEEDSP policy Energy consumption is optimized and module placement in FN increases, so the Makespan Time increases. This experiment showed that, by adjusting the cloud distance  $D$ , our proposed work could be flexible. It satisfies user's requirements when they are interested in high performance execution or in energy consumption. At the cloud distance 30, the system balances with respect to energy consumption and makespan time. This point is an optimal point which balances energy consumption and makespan time.

## 6 Conclusions and Future Work

This paper suggests a multi-tiered application service fog computing paradigm and analyses its performance in IoT applications. There are numerous fog nodes with exploitative computational resources in the multi-tier fog computing model. A deadline-aware and energy-efficient service placement algorithm is proposed to improve the placement of the service over fog environment. To support the deadline-aware and



energy-efficient service placement scheme, extensive benchmark experiments over fog environment were conducted to measure the response time of applications and energy consumption of the system over fog environment. By comparing with different state-of-the-art algorithms, the proposed deadline-aware and energy-efficient service placement algorithm is tested. The simulation results showed that the proposed algorithm works effectively over a multi-level fog environment. The possible future directions can be:

- DEEDSP can utilize latest artificial intelligence or machine learning models to optimize the QoS parameters [12].
- DEEDSP can incorporate security by utilizing the concept of Blockchain or Quantum Computing, which can further increase the computational power [13].
- DEEDSP can be utilized for other IoT applications such as Industry 4.0, healthcare or agriculture [12].
- DEEDSP can use the concept of serverless edge computing to scale the applications effectively [13].

## 7 Data Availability Statement

A significant amount of data is presented in this article. The remaining data that support the findings of this study are available on request from the corresponding author. The data are not publicly available due to privacy or ethical restrictions.

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