Quasi Oppositional Dragonfly Algorithm for Load Balancing in Cloud Computing Environment

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Abstract

In Cloud Computing (CC), load balancing tasks remain an essential problem of spreading resources from a data center to ensure that each Virtual Machine (VM) has a balanced load to achieve maximum utilization of its capabilities. In the CC world, load balancing is a Non-Polynomial (NP) problem solved with metaheuristic algorithms. A new Quasi Oppositional Dragonfly Algorithm for Load Balancing (QODA-LB) was developed to achieve the optimal resource scheduling in a CC setting. The proposed QODA-LB algorithm uses three variables to compute an objective function: run time, running cost, and load. The QODA-LB algorithm assigns tasks to VM based on its potential and the derivative objective function. Also, the QODA-LB algorithm uses the principle of Quasi-Oppositional Based Learning (QOBL) to increase the standard Dragonfly Algorithm's (DA) convergence rate. A comprehensive series of experiments were conducted, and the findings were analyzed in a variety of ways to ensure the efficient performance increased by the QODA-LB algorithm. The simulation's results demonstrated optimum load balancing efficiency and outperformed the leading approaches.

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1. Introduction

Load balancing in CC is thought to be a complicated study for separating virtual machine operations in data centers. CC is an essential method for distributing on-demand services over the Internet in this situation. The cloud is a large, interconnected system that uses all files and
fields in a variety of ways. To deliver the distribution of resources such as software, hardware, data, and files according to the requirements of alternative machines on the cloud, CC is combined with the concept of distributed and parallel computing. On the shared framework, it has a "Pay as You Want" module. The user does not need a computing environment to measure an operation but requires an Internet connection to allocate resources when spending money for a certain period. As a result, it restricts the amount of software purchased that is not needed full-time, and CC offers dynamic resource features. VMs are CC processing units that measure and allocate resources when needed dynamically during the execution of a transaction.

Huge VMs are connected in CC by allocating resources in a pre-emptive and non-preemptive manner; however, resources are not allocated equally, and only a few VMs are capable of completing the tasks. If a task is delivered in the cloud, VMs must complete the process quickly and with minimal complexity, and all VMs must operate in parallel. Determines the need for task planning and implements it with the resources available. When several tasks are assigned to huge VMs, they are all executed at the same time to complete the tasks. If the trade is allocated to huge VMs, the scheduler must ensure that all trades are not invoked in the same VM and that alternate VMs are usable. As a result, all user tasks on all VMs in CC must be handled by the scheduler role. To resolve the issue of load balancing in all VMs, a smart load balancing model is needed to improve the response time of allocated operations by maximizing the use of available resources, as shown in Fig. 1.

The input task is spread uniformly through VMs during load balancing. The main goal of load balancing is to relieve all VCs of their pressure and report it to other weighted minimum VMs. It boasts a system's performance and throughput. Developers also used heuristic and meta-heuristic templates to address load balancing issues. On a distributed network, protected load balancing is recorded [1]. Furthermore, three models have been used to address load balancing and security issues in a distributed network. For instance, it provides a mechanism for a mobile agent to broadcast to all nodes in a distributed network. Following that, it provides a framework for reforming peer-to-peer load to provide maximum efficiency, and, as a result, it provides network security. To solve the load distribution in the Grid computer platform, a hierarchical load balancing strategy is proposed. When dynamically sharing the input task from the VMs and the merits of this application, which restricts the overall response time for the Grid application, the
specifics of the actual node are used. By comparing a method's speed to the Minimum Completion Time and Perfect Details on Arrival, the speed of the method has been validated.

![Diagram of load balancing in CC platform](image)

**Fig. 1.** Load balancing in CC platform

Load balancing based on honey bee nature is resolved in non-empty autonomous tasks on VMs [2]. The newly developed method helps resolve load balancing over VM to enhance the throughput, limiting the waiting time of tasks by assuming the preferences consequently. The associations performed with alternate models like weighted Round Robin (RR), FIFO, and Dynamic Load Balancing provide the effectiveness of a system for throughput and limit the response time of VMs. Dynamic load balancing solved on a virtual heat distribution platform [3].
It projects two dynamic load balancing models initially it applies local and global load balancing in the distributed virtual platforms by using heat diffusion, and second, it examined two functional aspects like load balancing factor as well as convergence threshold.

An expanded Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO) model is being developed to address the load balancing issue in the CC system [4]. It has made implementation faster and more effective. A Tabu Search (TS) approach is developed for resource management in the CC model. Optimized dynamic asset scheduling management is deployed based on factors including time constraints, cost constraints, and optimal solutions. The TS method is used to resolve resource allocation through prioritization as well as task grouping. The TS method is used to optimize the positions of cloud data centers software units such as data routing and network linkage capabilities [5].

The makespan and higher application of resources are limited by a simple scheduling approach in a grid computing platform [6]. It presents a load balancing model where the load is shared uniformly and reduces the response time. Fuzzy Logic (FL) is implied for effective load balancing and minimizes the cost and power in Geo-Distributed several data Centers. It showcases the best offline geographical load balancing by using the FL inference system. The input data mapping is non-linear such as the current application of renewable power, accessibility of electric cost as well as power utilization to produce the requests by the data center.

Load rebalancing is performed for distributed file systems in cloud systems where it optimizes the network traffic by improving the bandwidth of a system [7]. The complete distribution of load balancing rebalancing model is developed to solve the load imbalance and consequently, the newly developed approach is related to the previous centralized approach. An online algorithm with Lyapunov optimization strategy is proposed for load scheduling eco-aware power management for cloud data centers [8]. The main theme of this approach is to reduce the time average eco-aware power cost of CC data centers at the time of assuring Quality-of-Experience (QoE) constraints. The honey bee method is executed for limiting the makespan and allocates the resource for extending the throughput in the CC platform [9]. It is considered as a dynamic approach that has been applied for identifying the variations in nature among dependence and independence operations limit the makespan for all tasks by using task preferences. A load of a server is managed by applying self-adaptive Randomized Optimization. Power consumption has
been lowered at the time of allocating resources to each task in the CC platform. Load prediction and requirement of resources are defined by Enhanced Exponentially Weighted Moving Average. Soft computing methods are projected to resolve the dynamic load balancing in the CC environment [10].

The load balancing method for CC is performed by a Genetic Algorithm (GA). Resource allocation is done in homogeneous as well as heterogeneous CC platforms [11]. Researchers have depicted the makespan and power application at the time of resource allocation. A static load balancing approach is developed for resolving the load balancing [12]. It employs static data for balancing the load with no influence of a load of cluster node which contains inferior adaptive capability. Bayes scheme is executed for prolonged load balancing. An improved weighted round-robin approach is deployed for resolving the load balancing in case of non-preemptive dependent tasks [13].

The function of load balancing is realized by various load balancing modules and results are related to throughput and speed [14]. Various scheduling approaches are deployed for the Map-Reduce environment that involves load balancing for the CC network [15]. Adaptive task allocation scheduler is projected for maximizing the function of Map Reduce in a dissimilar cloud network [16]. The deadline reduction scheduler is developed to reduce the deadline of a task in which it is collapsed while computing the massive data like video and image in Map Reduce frameworks [17]. An independent agent which depends upon the load balancing approach is presented for balancing a load by VMs with the help of 3 agents like Channel agent, load agent, and migration agent [18].

This paper introduces an effective QODA-LB in the CC environment for optimal resource scheduling. The proposed QODA-LB algorithm derives an objective function utilizing three variables namely execution time, execution cost, and load for allocating tasks to VM for its capacity. Besides, the QODA-LB algorithm incorporates the Quasi Oppositional Based Learning (QOBL) concept to improve the convergence rate of classical DA. A series of simulations took place to ensure the effective performance of the QODA-LB algorithm and the results are examined under several aspects.

2. The Proposed QODA-LB Technique
Fig. 2 illustrates the system model of the presented load balancing approach. The main aim of the projected model is allocating all operations to VM to the load capacity. The load balancing method guides for eliminating the tasks from overloaded of VM and allocates to VM under a loaded stage. The projected approach is composed of massive data centers named Physical Machines (PM), and it contains few VMs to precede the user’s tasks. Every user of CC has a diverse number of tasks to compute VM. Here, the loads are allocated to VM under the application of the load balancing approach. The presented framework verifies the load of all VM in CC. The task of VM is based on the computation time of all loads.

2.1. Problem definition with solution framework

Assume cloud $C$, that have “$n$” number of PM is comprised of “$m$” number of VM.

$$C = \{PM_1, PM_2, ..., PM_n\}$$  \hspace{1cm} (1)

where $C$ indicates the cloud, $PM_1$ shows the initial and PM while $PM_n$ implies the nth PM which is represented in the following:

$$PM_n = \{VM_1, VM_2, ..., VM_m\}$$  \hspace{1cm} (2)

where $VM_1$ is a first VM and $VM_m$ refers the final VM. Likewise, $i$ count of users is loaded in cloud and user is composed of $i$ count of task. A user is represented in the following:

$$U_i = \{T_1, T_2, ..., T_j\}$$  \hspace{1cm} (3)
The main theme of these models is to limit the execution time and expense of the task and to accomplish a balanced load entire VMs in CC system. Hence, it is operated using 3 objectives namely, limitation of task Execution Time, reduction of Execution Cost and finally, to scatter the burden for all VM in CC.

The overall Execution Time (ET) is defined with the help of Eq. (4).

$$ET = \frac{1}{\max(ET) \times \text{numberoftask}} \sum_{j=1}^{\text{numberoftask}} (ET \text{ of corresponding VM} \times \text{Size of the task})$$  \hspace{1cm} (4)

The Execution Cost (EC) is determined using Eq. (5).

$$EC = \sum_{j=1}^{\text{numberoftask}} \left[\frac{\text{Execution time} \times \text{Communication time}}{\text{Number of task}}\right]$$ \hspace{1cm} (5)

Load is determined using Eq. (3).

$$Load = \frac{1}{\text{numberoftask}} \sum_{i=1}^{\text{numberoftask}} \left[\frac{\text{size of VM} - ((\text{Total size of VM} - \text{Free space of VM}) + \text{Size of task})}{\text{Size of VM}}\right]$$ \hspace{1cm} (6)

In order to accomplish the appropriate scheduling, load balancing should be performed accurately. In absence of balanced load, a system consumes higher time and cost to implement the operation. In order to resolve the issue, an effective multiobjective based load balancing scheme has been deployed [19]. The projected Multi-Objective Function (MOF) is described in Eq. (7).

$$MOF = \min [\alpha_1(ET) + \alpha_2(EC) + \alpha_3(1 - \text{Load})]$$ \hspace{1cm} (7)

2.2. Proposed Load Scheduling Algorithm

The key objective of the presented model is for allocating a task to VM under the application of QODA-LB to reduce the overall ET and EC at the time of balancing the load. The load is a vital
attribute of scheduling, where the method of scattering the load over diverse nodes of an allocated model for enhancing resource application task response time. To overcome these issues, multiobjective-based load balancing has been deployed with the help of QODA-LB. DA is defined as a meta-heuristic approach that is evolved by the static and dynamic swarming nature of dragonflies. The dragonflies swarm for 2 objectives like Hunting (static swarm) and migration (dynamic swarm). First, massive dragonflies swarm at the time of roaming in longer distances and various territories those results in the exploration phase.

**Fig. 3.** Flowchart of Dragonfly algorithm

For static swarm, dragonfly’s shifts in higher swarms and bearing by close to deployments and immediate modifications in flying direction, that leads to exploitation stage. For the enhancement of exploring capability and to eliminate the local optimal, QOBL is embedded through DA. The flowchart of DA approach is showcased in Fig. 3. The periodical steps of presented multi-objective load balancing relied task arrangement are provided in the following;
**Step 1: Initialization**

A population of dragonflies is invoked arbitrarily. A population is composed of a group of results. The result is developed according to the count of user task as well as VM. At the initial stage, the tasks are allocated to VM in random manner. Followed by, according to the Fitness Function (FF) the results are maximized. A first result is provided in Eq. (1). A length of solution implies the supremacy of a task and dragonfly refers the available nodes. There are 10 operations and 5 nodes, and length of population is 10 and evaluation of all dragonflies might be 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5. A sample solution encoded has been offered in Eq. (8).

\[ P_l = \{4,3,3,1,5,2,5,3,2,4\} \]  

(8)

The previous function is showcased as 1 which is allocated to \( VM_4 \), task 2 is declared to \( VM_3 \) and task 10 is declared to \( VM_4 \). According to the solution encoding, population matrix (SM) has been implemented with 0 or 1. The framework depends upon the association between task and VM. The task is related through VM \( i \) denotes \( PM(i,j) = 1 \), or \( PM(i,j) = 0 \). However, the column contains a single component for 1, otherwise 0.

Firstly, the initial population is depending upon dragonflies.

**Step 2: Fitness calculation**

Once the solution is generated, the fitness of all solutions is calculated. The FF is provided in Eq. (9).

\[ MOF = \min \left[ \alpha_1 (ET) + \alpha_2 (EC) + \alpha_3 (1 - Load) \right] \]  

(9)

**Step 3: Update using dragonfly algorithm**

In order to enhance the solution, 5 major factors have been applied such as separation, alignment, cohesion, attraction to food and distraction from opponent. Separation is estimated with the help of Eq. (10).

\[ SP_l = - \sum_{j=1}^{N} X - X_j \]  

(10)
where $X$ implies the location of present individual, $X_j$ shows the location of $j$th neighboring individual and $N$ represents the count of neighboring individuals. An alignment is measured utilizing Eq. (11).

$$A_i = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{N} V_j}{N}$$  \hspace{1cm} (11)$$

where $y_j$ indicates the velocity of $j$th neighbouring individual. Hence cohesion is evaluated by Eq. (12).

$$C_i = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{N} X_j}{N} - X$$ \hspace{1cm} (12)$$

where $X$ denotes the location of recent individual, $N$ implies count of neighborhoods and $X_j$ indicates the location of the $j$th neighbouring individual. Attraction to food source is determined with the given function:

$$F_i = X^+ - X$$ \hspace{1cm} (13)$$

where $X$ depicts the place of present individual and $X^+$ refers the place of food source. A direction visible an enemy is measured by:

$$E_i = X^- - X$$ \hspace{1cm} (14)$$

where $X$ signifies a place of recent individual, and $X^-$ illustrates the location of the enemy.

Once the position is calculated, then velocity vector is determined by Eq. (15).

$$\Delta X_{k+1} = (sS_i + aA_i + cC_i + fF_i + eE_i) + w\Delta X_i$$ \hspace{1cm} (15)$$

where $s$ represents the separation weight, $S_i$ is a separation of $i$th individual, $a$ defines alignment weight, $A_i$ implies alignment of $i$th individual, $c$ refers the cohesion weight, $C_i$ signifies cohesion of $i$th individual, $f$ illustrates food factor, $F_i$ showcases food source of $i$th individual, $e$ denotes enemy factor, $E_i$ refers position of enemy of the $i$th individual, $w$ demonstrates inertia weight, and $k$ depicts the iteration counter. Once the step vector is measured, the position vectors are estimated in the following:
The present iteration.

Step 4: Select best solution

When the DA and QODA are compared, DA has optimal fitness value ($DA_{best}$) which is lower than DA fitness value ($FA_{best}$), the best place of DA is interchanged by QODA. Otherwise, AODA fitness value is minimum than DA fitness value, the position is changed by DA.

Step 5: Termination criteria

The iteration is terminated if a better solution is attained. The consequent solution is submitted to CC platform.

2.3. Quasi-oppositional based learning (Q-OBL)

It accomplishes maximum attention from developers in Computation Intelligence (CI). The main aim of OBL in evolutionary processing is to maximize the solution accuracy and simulate the convergence rate to reach global solution. It contains higher probability in optimization method for generating suboptimal solution. Here, recent populations as well as inverse values are produced at the same time and results in optimal candidate solution. Hence, inverse value is produced correctly at mirror position of recent population. From [20], the opposite population contains optimal chance to attain global optimal solution when compared to randomly provided population. The OBL is obtained by describing 2 of significant mathematical features:

Opposite number

It is referred as a mirror point of candidate solution from center of search space. When $X$ is a number in real plane with search interval $[a, b]$, the parallel opposite number ($oX$) in 1D search space is described by (17).

$$OX = a + b - X$$

where $X$ implies the randomly invoked candidate solution, $a$ and $b$ are lower and higher limits of search space. The previous definition is improved to $d$-dimensional search space and formalized by (18).
\[ OX_j = a_j + b_j - X_j \] (18)

where \( j = 1,2,-\ldots,d \) and \( X_j = \{X_1, X_2, -\ldots,-X_d\} \in R. \)

**Quasiopposite number**

Furthermore, the mechanism of OBL based learning is improved to quasi-oppositional relied learning that showcases that quasiopposite number is nearby global optimal solution when compared to opposite number. The quasiopposite number is meant to be among the center of search space \((a_j+b_j)/2\) while opposite number \((a_j + b_j - X_j)\), is depicted by (19).

\[ QOX_j = \text{rand} \left( \frac{a_j + b_j}{2}, a_j + b_j - X_j \right) \] (19)

The pseudo code to accomplish quasiopposite value is given in the following:

\[ C = \frac{a_j + b_j}{2}; \]

if \((oX < C)\)

\[ QOX = C + (oX - C) \ast r_1; \]

else

\[ QOX = OX + (C - OX) \ast r_1; \]

end

where \( r_1 \) denotes a randomly produced value from (0,1).

**Jumping rate**

It assists the DA to move from recent solution to fresh candidate solution where it has optimal fitness value than present one. According to the jumping rate, as said in (20), novel population is developed and then quasiopposite population has been determined. The selection of jumping value guides DA to eliminate suboptimal solution and stimulate the DA to attain globally optimized solution. Basically, the jumping rate is decided from [0,0.6].
\[ J_r = (J_{r,max} - J_{r,min}) - (J_{r,max} - J_{r,min}) \left( \frac{NFC_{max} - NFC}{NFC_{max}} \right) \] (20)

where \( J_{r,mae} \) and \( J_{r,min} \) are lower and higher value of jumping rate, \( NFC_{max} \) refers higher value in generation and \( NFC \) denotes the value of function call at present iteration.

3. Performance Validation

The performance validation of the QODA-LB algorithm takes place under several aspects and the proposed model is simulated using CloudSim tool. Since the goal of the QODA-LB algorithm is to allocate the tasks to VMs depending upon the capacity (load) of VM. The task is allocated on VM depending upon execution time, execution cost and load. For the validation of the experimental results of the QODA-LB algorithm, a series of simulations were carried out under diverse configurations namely (i) PM = 5, VM = 15 and 50 tasks, (ii) PM = 10 and VM = 30 and 75 tasks, (iii) PM = 20 and VM = 50 and 100 tasks.

3.1. Execution Time Analysis

Table 1 and Figs. 4-6 shows the execution time analysis of the QODA-LB algorithm under varying number of PMs, VMs and tasks. Fig. 4 shows the execution time analysis of the QODA-LB algorithm under 5 PMs, 15 VMs and 50 tasks. The experimental results stated that FA algorithm has demonstrated poor results by exhibiting maximum execution time. At the same time, the DA and ADA has tried to show certainly acceptable results by attaining slightly lower execution time. However, the QODA-LB model has exhibited better performance by attaining minimum execution time. For instance, under the iteration of 10, the QODA-LB algorithm has resulted to a minimum execution time of 0.32ms whereas higher execution time of 0.63s, 0.42s and 0.38s are incurred by the FA, DA and ADA techniques respectively. Likewise, under the iteration of 20, the QODA-LB model has lead to generate lower execution time of 0.33ms while maximum execution time of 0.65s, 0.43s and 0.39s are obtained by the FA, DA and ADA methods. Also, under the iteration of 30, the QODA-LB algorithm has provided least execution time of 0.33ms and higher execution time of 0.67s, 0.45s and 0.4s are attained by the FA, DA and ADA approach correspondingly. On the other side, under the iteration of 40, the QODA-LB model has shown lower execution time of 0.34ms while high execution time of 0.68s, 0.47s and 0.41s are obtained by the FA, DA and ADA techniques methods. Moreover, under the iteration
of 50, the QODA-LB algorithm has demonstrated to a lower execution time of 0.35ms while
greater execution time of 0.69s, 0.48s and 0.42s are achieved by the FA, DA and ADA
techniques respectively.

**Table 1** Execution Time (ms) Analysis

| PM = 5, VM = 15 and Task = 50 |   |   |   |   |
|-------------------------------|---|---|---|---|
| Iterations                    | FA | DA | ADA | QODA-LB |
| 10                            | 0.63 | 0.42 | 0.38 | 0.32 |
| 20                            | 0.65 | 0.43 | 0.39 | 0.33 |
| 30                            | 0.67 | 0.45 | 0.4 | 0.33 |
| 40                            | 0.68 | 0.47 | 0.41 | 0.34 |
| 50                            | 0.69 | 0.48 | 0.42 | 0.35 |

| PM = 10 and VM = 30 and Task = 75 |   |   |   |   |
|----------------------------------|---|---|---|---|
| Iterations                       | FA | DA | ADA | QODA-LB |
| 10                               | 0.93 | 0.86 | 0.73 | 0.65 |
| 20                               | 0.95 | 0.87 | 0.75 | 0.67 |
| 30                               | 0.95 | 0.87 | 0.76 | 0.68 |
| 40                               | 0.95 | 0.88 | 0.77 | 0.68 |
| 50                               | 0.95 | 0.89 | 0.78 | 0.69 |

| PM = 20 and VM = 50 and Task = 100 |   |   |   |   |
|------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|
| Iterations                         | FA | DA | ADA | QODA-LB |
| 10                                 | 0.95 | 0.90 | 0.78 | 0.67 |
| 20                                 | 0.98 | 0.90 | 0.79 | 0.68 |
| 30                                 | 0.99 | 0.93 | 0.80 | 0.71 |
| 40                                 | 0.99 | 0.95 | 0.80 | 0.72 |
| 50                                 | 0.99 | 0.96 | 0.81 | 0.73 |
Fig. 4. Execution time analysis of QODA-LB model under 5 PMs, 15 VMs and 50 tasks

Fig. 5 displays the execution time analysis of the QODA-LB algorithm under 10 PMs, 30 VMs and 75 operations. The experimental results have illustrated that FA algorithm has showcases inferior results by showing higher execution time. Meantime, the DA and ADA has attempted to show moderate results by accomplishing better execution time. Hence, the QODA-LB model has presented has showcases optimal function by reaching lower execution time. For sample, under the iteration of 10, the QODA-LB scheme has exhibited to a lower execution time of 0.65ms and higher execution time of 0.93s, 0.86s and 0.73s are obtained by the FA, DA and ADA techniques correspondingly. In line with this, under the iteration of 20, the QODA-LB framework has shown a lower execution time of 0.67ms while higher execution time of 0.95s, 0.87s and 0.75s are obtained by the FA, DA and ADA methods respectively. In addition, under the iteration of 30, the QODA-LB approach has shown a least execution time of 0.68ms and higher execution time of 0.95s, 0.87s and 0.76s are accomplished by the FA, DA and ADA methodologies respectively. Followed by, under the iteration of 40, the QODA-LB approach has depicted to a lower execution time of 0.68ms and higher execution time of 0.95s, 0.88s and 0.77s are achieved by the FA, DA and ADA techniques correspondingly. Moreover, under the iteration of 50, the QODA-LB approach has depicted a lower execution time of 0.69ms whereas maximum
execution time of 0.95s, 0.89s and 0.78s are incurred by the FA, DA and ADA approaches respectively.

**Fig. 5.** Execution time analysis of QODA-LB model under 10 PMs, 30 VMs and 75 tasks

Fig. 6 displays the execution time analysis of the QODA-LB method under 20 PMs, 50 VMs and 100 tasks. The experimental results stated that FA model has shown worst results by illustrating higher execution time. Concurrently, the DA and ADA has attempted to showcase better results by reaching minimum execution time. Therefore, the QODA-LB approach has implied moderate performance by reaching lower execution time. For sample, under the iteration of 10, the QODA-LB technique has showcased at least execution time of 0.67ms while maximum execution time of 0.95s, 0.90s and 0.78s are obtained by the FA, DA and ADA models correspondingly. Likewise, under the iteration of 20, the QODA-LB approach has provided to a lower execution time of 0.68ms and higher execution time of 0.98s, 0.90s and 0.79s are attained by the FA, DA and ADA methodologies correspondingly. In addition, under the iteration of 30, the QODA-LB approach has offered to a lower execution time of 0.71ms while maximum execution time of 0.99s, 0.93s and 0.80s are achieved by the FA, DA and ADA methodologies respectively. On the other side, under the iteration of 40, the QODA-LB method has generated to
a lower execution time of 0.72ms whereas greater execution time of 0.99s, 0.95s and 0.80s are obtained by the FA, DA and ADA methods respectively. Furthermore, under the iteration of 50, the QODA-LB framework has showcased to a lower execution time of 0.73ms whereas high execution time of 0.99s, 0.96s and 0.81s are incurred by the FA, DA and ADA techniques respectively.

**Fig. 6.** Execution time analysis of QODA-LB model under 20 PMs, 50 VMs and 100 tasks

### 3.2. Execution Cost Analysis

Table 2 and Figs. 7-9 demonstrates the execution cost analysis of the QODA-LB approach under varying number of PMs, VMs and tasks. Fig. 7 depicts the execution cost analysis of the QODA-LB algorithm under 5 PMs, 15 VMs and 50 tasks. The experimental results have pointed FA algorithm has shown worst results by showing higher execution cost. Simultaneously, the DA and ADA has attempted to depict considerable results by achieving lower execution cost. Hence, the QODA-LB approach has implied moderate function by accomplishing least execution cost. For sample, under the iteration of 10, the QODA-LB technology has provided to a lower execution cost of 0.69 while maximum execution cost of 0.80, 0.76 and 0.75 are obtained by the
FA, DA and ADA methodologies correspondingly. Likewise, under the iteration of 20, the QODA-LB scheme has shown least execution cost of 0.51 while high execution cost of 0.70, 0.67 and 0.60 are accomplished by the FA, DA and ADA techniques correspondingly. Furthermore, under the iteration of 30, the QODA-LB algorithm has shown to a low execution cost of 0.67 while high execution cost of 0.79, 0.78 and 0.74 are incurred by the FA, DA and ADA methodologies correspondingly. Followed by, under the iteration of 40, the QODA-LB model has showcased a minimal execution cost of 0.68 whereas maximum execution cost of 0.80, 0.77 and 0.74 are obtained by the FA, DA and ADA techniques respectively. Furthermore, under the iteration of 50, the QODA-LB approach has provided to a low execution cost of 0.68 whereas higher execution cost of 0.80, 0.77 and 0.76 are incurred by the FA, DA and ADA techniques.

**Table 2 Execution Cost Analysis**

| PM = 5, VM = 15 and Task = 50 | Iterations | FA  | DA  | ADA | QODA-LB |
|-------------------------------|------------|-----|-----|-----|---------|
|                               | 10         | 0.80| 0.76| 0.75| 0.69    |
|                               | 20         | 0.70| 0.67| 0.60| 0.51    |
|                               | 30         | 0.79| 0.78| 0.74| 0.67    |
|                               | 40         | 0.80| 0.77| 0.74| 0.68    |
|                               | 50         | 0.80| 0.77| 0.76| 0.68    |
| PM = 10 and VM = 30 and Task = 75 | Iterations | FA  | DA  | ADA | QODA-LB |
|                               | 10         | 0.19| 0.12| 0.08| 0.07    |
|                               | 20         | 0.22| 0.13| 0.08| 0.07    |
|                               | 30         | 0.26| 0.14| 0.08| 0.07    |
|                               | 40         | 0.28| 0.15| 0.09| 0.08    |
|                               | 50         | 0.28| 0.16| 0.13| 0.09    |
| PM = 20 and VM = 50 and Task = 100 | Iterations | FA  | DA  | ADA | QODA-LB |
|                               | 10         | 0.25| 0.15| 0.11| 0.09    |
|                               | 20         | 0.28| 0.16| 0.12| 0.10    |
|                               | 30         | 0.29| 0.17| 0.13| 0.11    |
|                               | 40         | 0.32| 0.18| 0.13| 0.12    |
|                               | 50         | 0.33| 0.19| 0.14| 0.12    |
Fig. 7. Execution cost analysis of QODA-LB model under 5 PMs, 15 VMs and 50 tasks

Fig. 8 implies the execution cost analysis of the QODA-LB technology under 10 PMs, 30 VMs and 75 tasks. The experimental results have shown that FA model has depicted inferior results by showing higher execution cost. Meantime, the DA and ADA has attempted to represent better results by showing minimal execution cost. Hence, the QODA-LB model has implied optimal performance by accomplishing low execution cost. For example, under the iteration of 10, the QODA-LB approach has depicted to a lower execution cost of 0.07 while maximum execution cost of 0.19, 0.12 and 0.08 are acquired by the FA, DA and ADA techniques correspondingly. In line with this, under the iteration of 20, the QODA-LB framework has showcased least execution cost of 0.07 whereas higher execution cost of 0.22, 0.13 and 0.08 are attained by the FA, DA and ADA models correspondingly. In addition, under the iteration of 30, the QODA-LB approach has provided to a lower execution cost of 0.07 while higher execution cost of 0.26, 0.14 and 0.08 are achieved by the FA, DA and ADA methodologies respectively. Then, under the iteration of 40, the QODA-LB technology has offered to a lower execution cost of 0.08 while maximum execution cost of 0.28, 0.15 and 0.09 are accomplished by the FA, DA and ADA technologies correspondingly. Moreover, under the iteration of 50, the QODA-LB algorithm has demonstrated
to at least execution cost of 0.09 while maximum execution cost of 0.28, 0.16 and 0.13 are incurred by the FA, DA and ADA techniques respectively.

**Fig. 8.** Execution cost analysis of QODA-LB model under 10 PMs, 30 VMs and 75 tasks

Fig. 9 illustrated the execution cost analysis of the QODA-LB algorithm under 20 PMs, 50 VMs and 100 tasks. The experimental results have implied that FA algorithm has depicted worst results by showing higher execution cost. Concurrently, the DA and ADA has tried to depict moderate results by accomplishing better execution cost. Thus, the QODA-LB model has showcased considerable performance by reaching lower execution cost. For instance, under the iteration of 10, the QODA-LB method has illustrated to lower execution cost of 0.09 while maximum execution cost of 0.25, 0.15 and 0.11 are achieved by the FA, DA and ADA techniques respectively. Along with that, under the iteration of 20, the QODA-LB algorithm has provided to lower execution cost of 0.10 whereas maximum execution cost of 0.28, 0.16 and 0.12 are obtained by the FA, DA and ADA methodologies correspondingly. In addition, under the iteration of 30, the QODA-LB scheme has resulted to a lower execution cost of 0.11 while
high execution cost of 0.29, 0.17 and 0.13 are obtained by the FA, DA and ADA models respectively.

![Execution Cost Analysis](image)

**Fig. 9.** Execution cost analysis of QODA-LB model under 20 PMs, 50 VMs and 100 tasks

Followed by, under the iteration of 40, the QODA-LB approach has provided to lower execution cost of 0.12 and high execution cost of 0.32, 0.18 and 0.13 are attained by the FA, DA and ADA techniques. Moreover, under the iteration of 50, the QODA-LB algorithm has offered to a lower execution cost of 0.12 whereas higher execution cost of 0.33, 0.19 and 0.14 are incurred by the FA, DA and ADA schemes correspondingly.

4. **Conclusion**

This paper has presented an effective QODA-LB algorithm in the CC environment to achieve optimal resource scheduling. The main theme of this model is to limit the execution time and expense of the task and to accomplish a balanced load over all VMs in CC system. The proposed QODA-LB algorithm derives an objective function using three variables, namely execution time, execution cost, and load. According to the derived objective function, the QODA-LB algorithm
allocates tasks to VM with respect to its capacity. The simulation outcome has depicted optimal load balancing performance and demonstrated better results compared to state of art methods. A set of simulations were carried out to examine the execution cost and execution time analysis of the QODA-LB algorithm under a varying number of PMs, VMs and tasks. In future, the performance of the QODA-LB algorithm is further enhanced by the use of deep learning models.

Conflict of Interest

Authors do not have any conflict of interest.

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