



Capacity Allocation for Big Data Applications in the Cloud

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Background



- Data intensive applications (DIAs) hosted on public Clouds
- The goal is to optimize resource allocation at design time, taking into account quality of service constraints

D-SPACE4Cloud Tool



The problem:

- Minimize costs and suggest the optimal deployment architecture that provides QoS guarantees

What does the tool do?

- Automatic analysis of multiple candidate alternative configurations to identify the minimum cost one

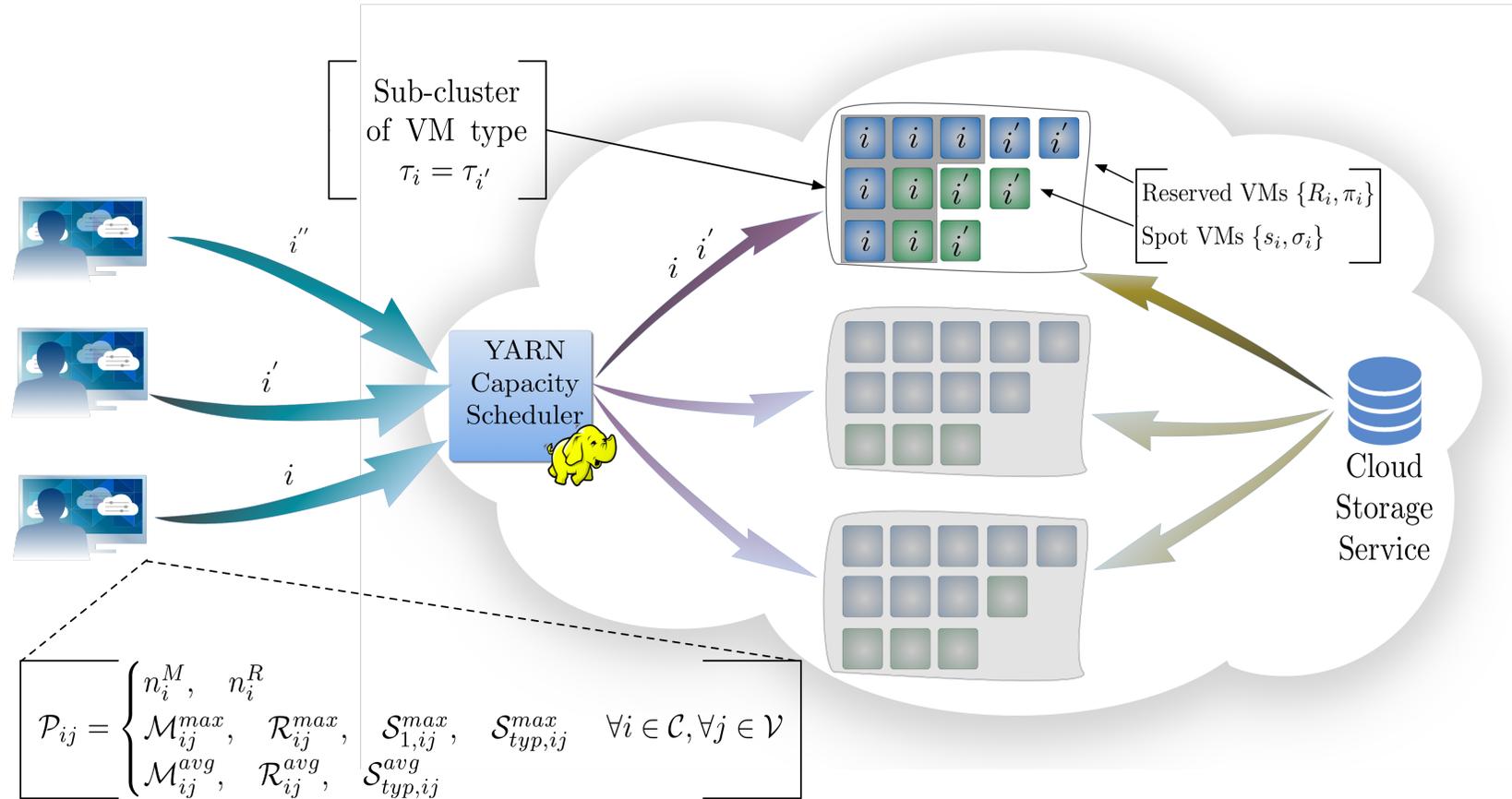
Innovation:

- Design space exploration has been increasingly sought in traditional multi-tier applications, but not in the design of DIAs

Impact & stakeholders:

- Designers and operators make more informed decisions about the technology to use
- Reduce costs of a shared cluster running multiple DIAs

Reference System



Complete Optimization Problem



$$\min_{\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\nu}, \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{R}} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{C}} (\sigma_{\tau_i} s_i + \pi_{\tau_i} R_i) \quad (\text{P1a})$$

subject to:

$$\sum_{j \in \mathcal{V}} x_{ij} = 1, \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{C} \quad (\text{P1b})$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{i, \tau_i} = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{V}} \mathcal{P}_{ij} x_{ij}, \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{C} \quad (\text{P1c})$$

$$\sigma_{\tau_i} = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{V}} \sigma_j x_{ij}, \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{C} \quad (\text{P1d})$$

$$\pi_{\tau_i} = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{V}} \pi_j x_{ij}, \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{C} \quad (\text{P1e})$$

$$x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}, \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{C}, \forall j \in \mathcal{V} \quad (\text{P1f})$$

$$(\boldsymbol{\nu}, \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{R}) \in \arg \min \sum_{i \in \mathcal{C}} (\sigma_{\tau_i} s_i + \pi_{\tau_i} R_i) \quad (\text{P1g})$$

subject to:

$$s_i \leq \frac{\eta_i}{1 - \eta_i} R_i, \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{C} \quad (\text{P1h})$$

$$\nu_i = R_i + s_i, \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{C} \quad (\text{P1i})$$

$$\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{P}_{i, \tau_i}, \nu_i; H_i, Z_i) \leq D_i, \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{C} \quad (\text{P1j})$$

$$\nu_i \in \mathbb{N}, \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{C} \quad (\text{P1k})$$

$$R_i \in \mathbb{N}, \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{C} \quad (\text{P1l})$$

$$s_i \in \mathbb{N}, \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{C} \quad (\text{P1m})$$

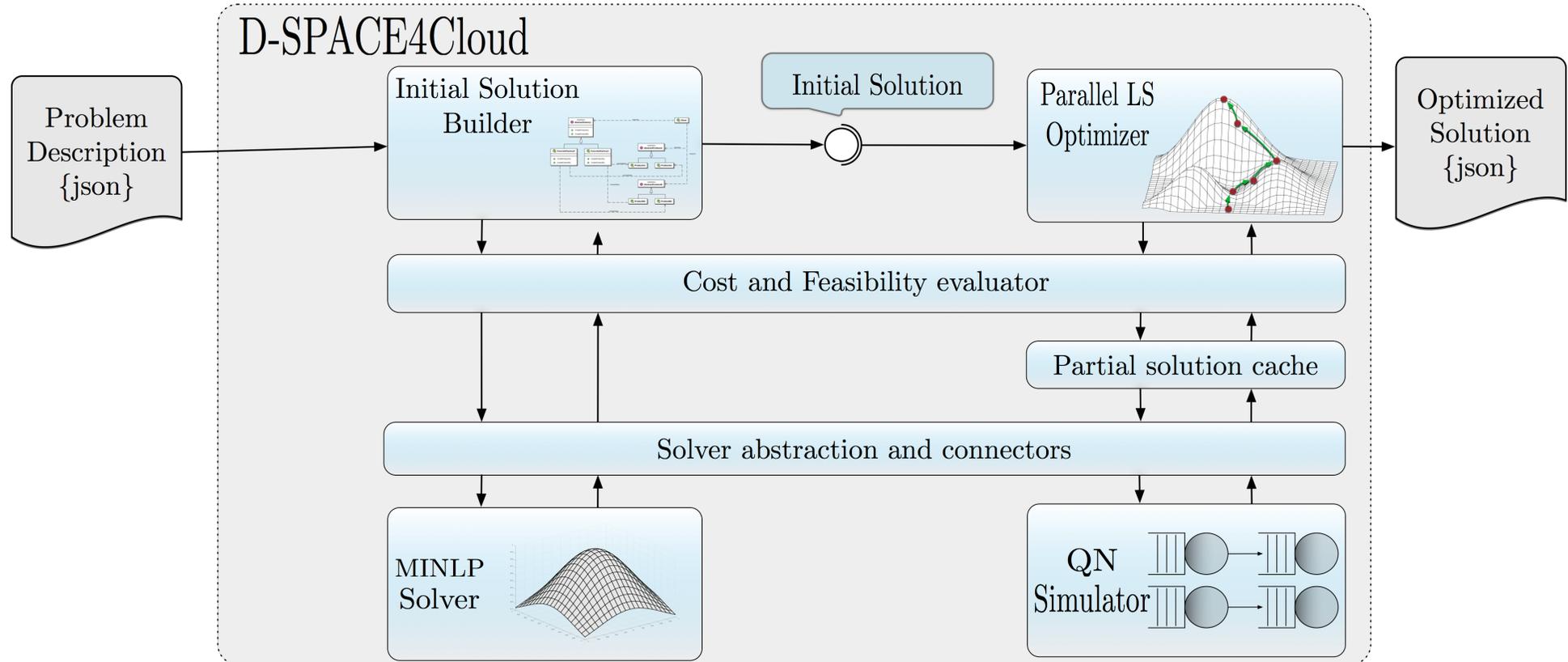
- Many integer variables and constraints make the problem intractable with exact methods
- We split the problem in two layers

Local Search Motivations



- The mathematical programming problem is written with a raw performance prediction formula
- The optimum should also be accurate, hence we rely on simulation models
- There is the need to explore the design space
 - The initial guess might turn out to be infeasible
 - The initial guess might be overprovisioned

D-SPACE4Cloud Architecture



Local Search Method



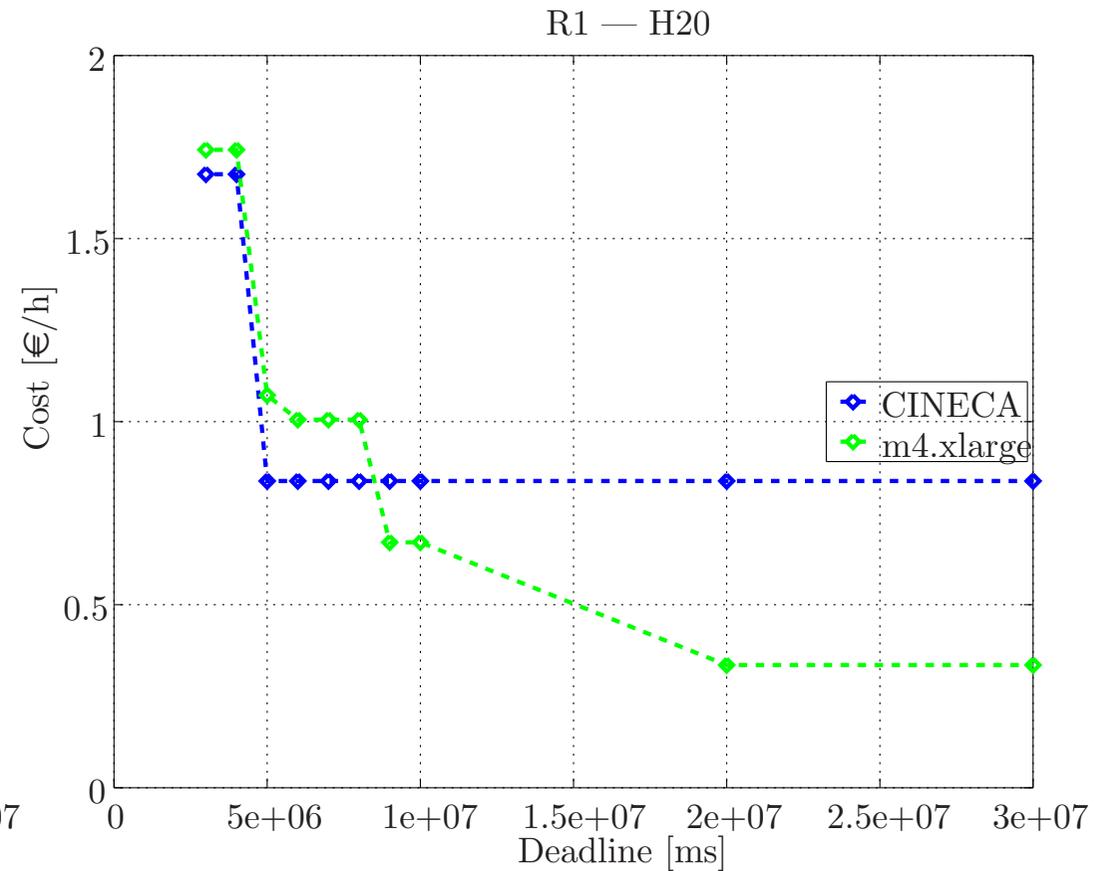
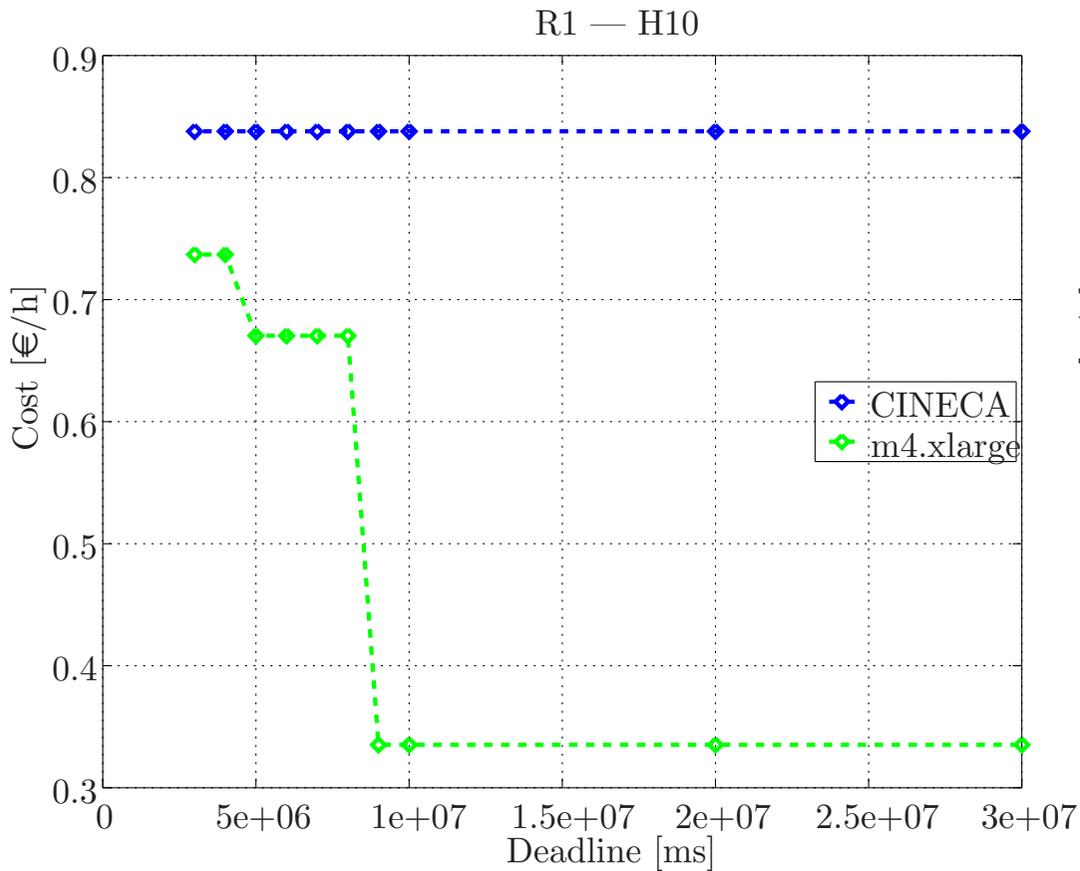
- Apply hill climbing per class varying the VM allocation
- Evaluate the optimal configuration returned by (P1) to choose the climbing direction
 - Remove instances if feasible
 - Add more VMs if infeasible
- Stop after reaching the local optimum

Simulation Models Validation



- TPC-DS benchmark, datasets ranging from 250 GB to 1 TB
- Experiments run on Amazon EC2, Cineca, Flexiant, with cluster sizes ranging from 20 to 240 cores
- Overall, 27,000 CPU hours worth of experiments

Optimal Cluster Cost



Conclusions



- D-SPACE4Cloud minimizes the overall cost under QoS constraints
- The tool supports a search technique to compare various providers and offerings
- Since we rely on accurate simulation models, we can reasonably trust the optimal configuration returned

Future Work



- Exploit machine learning and insight on the problem to improve heuristics efficiency
- Consider private or hybrid Clouds by adding capacity constraints
- Address other technologies: Spark and Storm



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