

Cloud Edge Computing in the IoT: Pave the way for an efficient data processing

The number of connected devices worldwide continues to grow and is forecast to triple by the end of 2019, from 15 to 50 billion. Such an explosion will inevitably be the catalyst of Cloud infrastructure transformation. Being established too far away, traditional data centers struggle to meet stringent bandwidth and latency requirements of IoT systems. That is why a new kind of infrastructure is required to deal with the huge number of IoT connections initiated by sensors, vehicles, etc. In this context, Edge Computing is shaping the future IoT infrastructures. It provides nearby physical resources performing analytics tasks and thus taking the opportunity to capitalize on data.

Edge computing provides a number of benefits including enhanced network performances, lower operational costs, alleviated network congestion, improved survivability, etc. However, it raises new challenges in terms of devices deployment, applications monitoring, resources management, etc. The objective of this special issue is to capture the latest advances in this research field and merging standards.

The special issue seeks novel research contributions and experience papers tackling the challenges in these areas, including but not limited to:

- Architecture and protocols based on edge computing in IoT
- Edge computing infrastructure and middleware solutions in IoT
- Data collection and transmission mechanisms to edge devices
- QoS enhancement in edge computing
- Real-time analysis of data
- Analytics and machine learning for edge computing
- Resources monitoring and utilization mechanisms
- Resources allocation algorithms in edge computing for IoT
- Resources management in edge computing for IoT
- IoT traffic characterization
- Software Defined Networking for IoT
- Programming models and programmability
- Service discovery and synchronization
- Security and privacy
- Modeling and simulation of large-scale edge computing for IoT scenarios
- Testbed, prototypes, and practical systems for edge computing in IoT

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