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Harnessing Edge Ai and Blockchain for Transformative Big Data Analytics in Modern Healthcare Cloud Systems

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ABSTRACT
In modern healthcare cloud networks, edge AI and blockchain have emerged as a revolutionary big data analytics solution. This effective system relies on blockchain technology to protect cloud-based analytics after local data preprocessing through the use of edge computing. In healthcare applications, the proposed architecture reduces latency, enhances processing efficiency and ensures data integrity. Key components feature normalization, blockchain encryption for secure data transfer and anomaly detection using outlier elimination. Substantial improvements in transaction throughput, latency reduction and efficient data aggregation are demonstrated through performance testing. The results indicate a reduction in cloud latency over edge devices and an enhancement in blockchain transaction throughput to a maximum of 17 TPS. The efficiency of edge-cloud processing integration is also analyzed, showing seamless data distribution and minimal computational overhead. This work illustrates how AI-based edge computing and blockchain technology can be integrated to offer reliable and scalable health analytics. Federated learning models will be enhanced in the future and blockchain consensus protocols will be better optimized to provide faster real-time data processing.

Keywords: Edge, Edge Computing, Cloud Computing, AI, Blockchain, Big Data, Healthcare, Secure Data, Patient Monitoring.

I. INTRODUCTION

Wearable sensors,EHRs, medical imagingand remote patient monitoring have all played a role in the rapid expansion of big data in healthcarewhich has revolutionized medical analytics, disease diagnosisand personalized care[1]. Conventional cloud-based solutionssuffer from several serious problemsincluding high latency, data privacy concerns, security vulnerabilities, bandwidth limitationsand poor real-time analytics[2]. These issues are precipitated by the centralized model of cloud computingwhich requires sending massive amounts of sensitive patient information to far-off computers, aggravating concerns about regulatory compliance and cybersecurity[3].

Edge AI is a revolutionary solution that enhances data privacy, enables real-time analysis and reduces reliance on high-bandwidth networks by shifting processing closer to the source of the data[4].Healthcare companies can detect anomalies, predict health risksand assist doctors in decision-making with minimal latency by adding light AI models at the edge[5]. Time-critical healthcare applications such as emergency response systems, critical care monitoring and remote diagnostics are highly benefited by a hybrid Cloud-Edge AI architecture because it ensures scalability, computational efficiencyand regulatory compliance[6].

Cloud-based healthcare systems remain inefficient and insecure due to delayed response times, restricted bandwidthand high cost of operating expenses despite the benefits of cloud computing in vast data storage capacity and big data analytics[7].Patient privacy is significantly undermined by security attacks such as ransomware attacks, data breachesand unauthorized access, particularly in handling extremely sensitive medical records[8].Centralized cloud adoption is also hindered by compliance issuesincluding HIPAA and GDPR requirements because strict data safeguarding legislations require the secure processing of patient information[9]. Moreover, in rural and remote healthcare facilities, where compromised network availability may disrupt real-time data transmission, cloud-reliant models are often unsuitable.

Healthcare information is vulnerable to system crashes and cyberattacks because of cloud computing's centralized architecturewhich forms a single point of failure[10]. The real-time processing requirements of critical healthcare applications are not met by the batch processing methods used by traditional cloud-based systems[11]. Through support for in-device data processing, real-time anomaly detectionand predictive analysis[12]. Edge AI surpasses such limitations and significantly reduces reliance on remote cloud infrastructure[13].Edge AI is the most suitable solution for modern-day healthcare ecosystems because not only does it enhance efficiency and securitybut it also cuts down energy consumption and operating costs[14].

To address these healthcare professionals can maximize resource management, enhance the outcomes of their patients, and enhance medical data protection in conformity with global standards by leveraging a hybrid Cloud-Edge AI infrastructure. Such a strategy is capable of creating faster diagnoses, customized treatment protocols, and stronger healthcare architectures, paving the way for smart healthcare solutions next in line

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II. RELATED WORKS

Sitaram et el[15]discussed the modern healthcare is being revolutionized in patient care, medical research, and the efficiency of operations due to the applications of AI and cloud computing. Healthcare produces vast amounts of data in the form of genetic data, medical imaging data, patient historiesand wearables' real-time monitoring data. Nagarajan [16]introduced this article examines the integration of cloud computing with Geographic Information System technologies to enhance the efficiency of collecting and evaluating geological big data for informed decision-making.

Nagarajan [17]focused on the requirement for fault tolerance solutions in software that require many resources by providing effective error detection and correction at the hardware level.This enhanced system efficiency, scalability, and reliability makes the SEDC methodology an ideal solution for big data applications and fault-tolerant cloud computing. Gattupalli [18] highlighted the Healthcare systems and how such technology may promote corporate synergy, operating efficiency, and patient care.Cloud CRM systems consolidate patient information and provide real-time access by department, promoting enhanced collaboration and more effective decision-making.

Alagarsundaram [19]explained the design of reliable artificial intelligence systems this system needs to precisely identify the phase of CKD based on fuzzy logic and adaptive neural structures. Model integration with edge AI enables real-time prediction and makes it suitable for IoMT-based healthcare systems and promotes proactive detection of CKD enhancing patient outcomes.Sitaraman [20] focused AI can control the application of IoMT and enhance CKD prediction through techniques such as the Autoencoder-LSTM and deep learning models. Autoencoders can be employed before LSTM to reduce the dimension of the latent space while LSTM works efficiently in capturing long-range dependencies on medical slices.

Nagarajan [21] highlighted the development of the IoT has dramatically broadened structural health monitoringby facilitating real-time structural integrity monitoring continuously. An important factor in the success of the systems is the quality of sensor measurementswhich can be damaged by interference and noise.To improve the quality of signals in IoT-based SHM systems. Gollavilli [22]discussed how the integration of cloud computing, IoT, blockchain and advanced cryptographic methods can substantially enhance the security, robustness and efficiency of the automotive supply chain.Gollavilli [23] explained with increasing data sharing and collaboration in the age of cloud computing, the privacy and security of sensitive data must be safeguarded. A very promising cryptographic method that allows multiple parties to collaborate and compute functions on their inputs without revealing data confidentiality is Secure Multiparty Computation.

2.1 Objectives of the Proposed Work

- To enhance real-time big data analysis in healthcare cloud systems, develop an Edge AI-Based Analytics Model by establishing a hybrid Cloud-Edge AI framework.
- To ensure the integrity and confidentiality of medical information apply blockchain encryption.
- Build a CNN-GRU model optimized to process temporal and spatial healthcare data at the edge with a reduced dependency on the cloud.
- For maintaining accurate patient observation, install an AI-based anomaly detection system to discover anomalies in the medical data.

III. PROPOSED EDGE AI FOR TRANSFORMATIVE BIG DATA ANALYTICS

To enable real-time inference on the edge and use cloud-based resources for analytics on a big scale and retraining models, the proposed method integrates Edge AI and Cloud Computing to facilitate proper big data analysis in the health sector. Blockchain secure data transport provides privacy and integrity when working with spatial and temporal health information utilizing a combined CNN-GRU model in the edge. By model upgrades driven by feedback, the system continually enhances patient outcomes, reduces latency and strengthens predictive healthcare insights.

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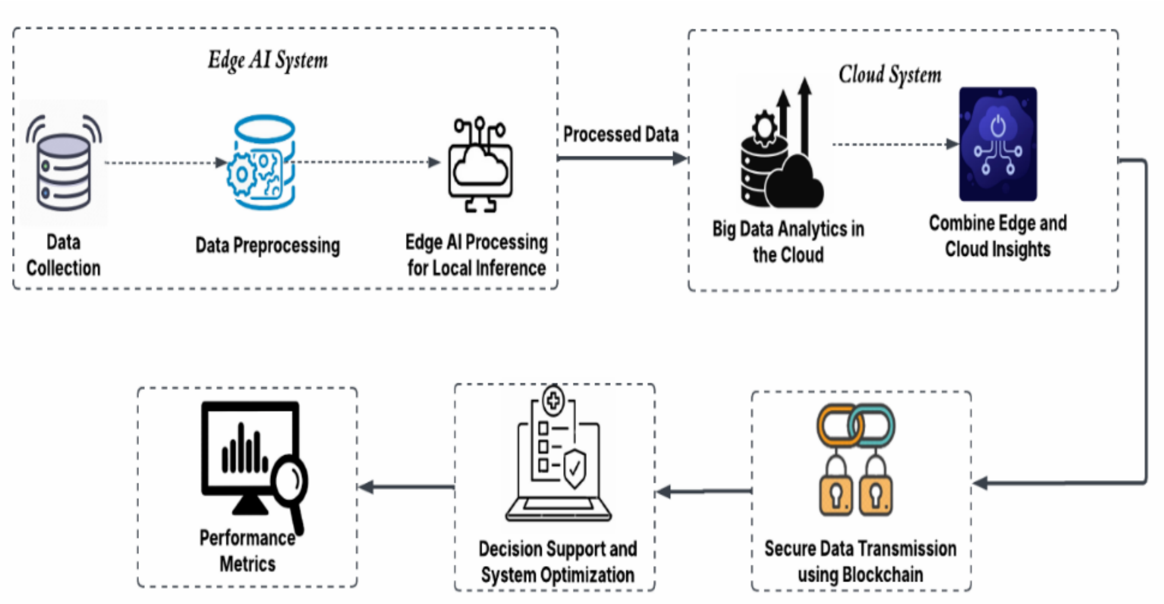

Figure 1: Proposed Architecture of in Secure Healthcare Cloud Systems

3.1 Data Collection

Hospital databases, wearable sensors and IoT devices are the sources of healthcare data. Data preparation procedures are necessary because raw data frequently contains noise, redundancy and inconsistencies.

3.2 Data Normalization and Outlier Removal:

To increase the precision and dependability of AI models in healthcare analytics, data normalization and outlier removal are crucial preprocessing stages. Unusual sensor readings brought on by noise, hardware malfunctions or environmental influences are eliminated using outlier elimination. By transforming data into a uniform scale through methods like Min-Max Scaling, normalization ensures data uniformity between different medical devices. Through these measures, model performance is enhanced, false positives are reduced and real-time health monitoring is ensured.

(1)

Were, is the original feature value, and are the minimum and maximum values in the dataset, is the normalized value.

3.3 Edge AI Model for Local Inference

By supporting real-time healthcare analytics on the edge, edge AI models reduce cloud dependency. Healthcare data is spatially and temporally analyzed by the hybrid CNN-GRU model:

Convolutional Neural Networks: Identify spatial characteristics in biosignals and medical pictures.
Gated Recurrent Units: Record temporal dependencies in sequential medical data like electrocardiograms.

3.3.1 The CNN layer processes input using,

(2)

Were, represents convolutional filters, is the biased term and is the activation function.

3.3.2 The GRU cell updates using,

(3)

Were, is the current hidden state, is the update gate controlling memory retention, is the candidate activation and denotes element-wise multiplication.
The model is trained using the Mean Square Error Loss Function:

(4)

Were, is the actual medical outcome, is the predicted outcome, is the total number of data points.

3.4 Cloud-Based Big Data Analytics

After processing, the edge data is sent to the cloud for model optimization and long-term analytics. The cloud system does

3.4.1 Combine Edge and Cloud Insights

To enhance decision-making, the cloud system integrates experience from historical cloud

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data and edge AI devices. The integration helps in broad healthcare trend detection, prediction enhancement, and refinement of AI models.

(5)

Were, represents the insights from an edge device and be the cloud-stored historical data at time t, is the weight assigned to each edge insight based on reliability, is a scaling factor for cloud data importance, is the number of edge devices contributing data. In addition to utilizing cloud-based information for ongoing model improvement and customized healthcare forecasts, this aggregation improves real-time monitoring.

3.5 Secure Data Transmission Using Blockchain

Blockchain and cryptography are used to protect the transfer of medical data between edge and cloud platforms. Every transaction adheres to a hash function in cryptography,

(6)

Were, is the unique hash of the block, is the encrypted medical data and links to the prior block.

3.6 Decision Support and System Optimization

Dashboards are used to illustrate the conclusions which help physicians with predictive analysis and early diagnosis. Monitoring and performance evaluation provides a feedback loop that aids in ongoing system optimization. The final optimization function minimizes,

(7)

Were, is the edge AI inference loss, is the cloud analytics loss, represents data integrity constraints and , , are weighting factors.

IV. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

4.1 Dataset Overview

Dataset:[24]

The IoT Healthcare Security Dataset contains data that is harvested from networked healthcare devices, sensors, and cloud services and concentrates on security functions like anomaly detection, encryption, and access control. The dataset contains network traffic logs, patient monitoring real-time data, and blockchain-protected transactions to scan for vulnerabilities and probable cyber-attacks. Data used in it is crucial when determining AI-driven security models as well as bolstering the defenses of healthcare IoT systems against hackings.

IV.2 Block chain Transaction Throughput Over Time

The stabilization phase of the system is marked initially by throughput remaining steady at 10 TPS. Throughput achieves best performance between 8 seconds reaching its peak at 17 TPS with an appreciable spike at the 4-second mark. It then experiences a gentle drop possibly due to network saturation or resource constraints. As per this trend, the system peaks in transaction handling before reaching optimum efficiency, upon which some kind of constraint causes a dip in performance as shown in Figure 2,

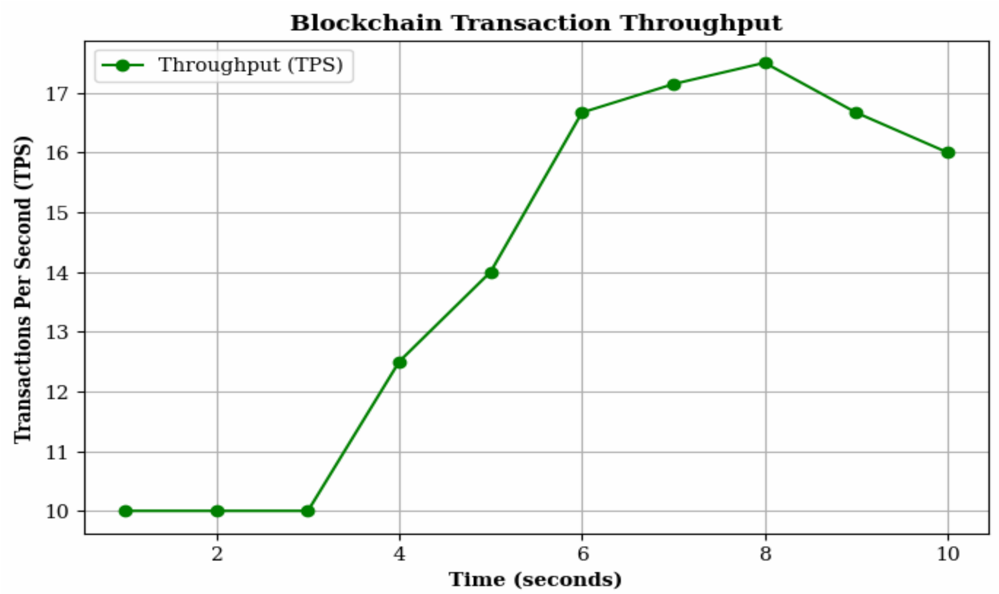

Figure 2: Throughput of Block chain

4.3 Cloud Latency Per Edge Device

The diagram illustrates the latency in terms of milliseconds faced by different edge devices for transmitting data into the cloud. With a peak latency of ~22 ms, Device 3 may be facing either processing delays or network congestion. The relatively lower latency of ~15–16 ms faced by Devices 1 and 4 indicates that there is faster data transmission. Cloud communication potential inefficiencies are brought to the fore by variability in latency across devices and the need for effective edge-cloud interactions to mitigate delays in real-time healthcare applications is emphasized.

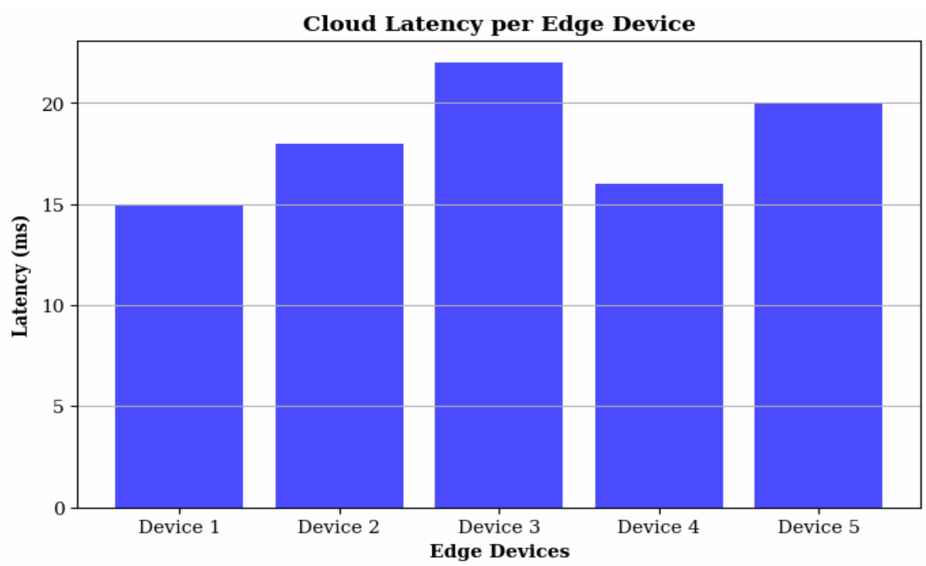

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Figure 3: Latency of Cloud Edge Device

4.4 Combined Edge And Cloud Processing Efficiency

The graph depicts how well the edge and cloud systems handle data with time.Both the cloud processingorange lineand edge processingblue linehave a uniform increaseimplying continuous data handling.The benefit of a hybrid edge cloud is demonstrated by the increasing effect of the combined processinggreen dashed line. As per the increasing trendleveraging both edge and cloud resources enhances processing efficiency as a wholeensuring faster and more scalable big data analytics for healthcare use cases.

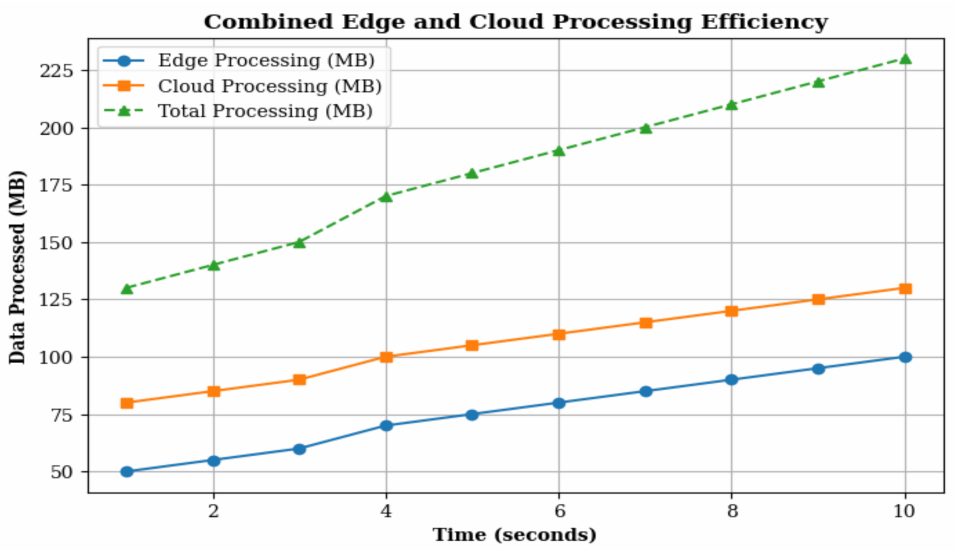

Figure 4: Cloud Processing Efficiency

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VI. CONCLUSION AND FUTURE SCOPE

Blockchain and Edge AI significantly enhance data security, processing speed and latency saving when combined with healthcare cloud platforms. The proposed methodology employs secure blockchain-based networking and edge-based local AI processing to ensure real-time, unhackable analytics for mission-critical healthcare applications. The studies demonstrate remarkable improvements such as an increased rate of blockchain transaction of 17 TPS enhanced data aggregation between the edge and cloud layers and reduced cloud latency of edge devices. In real-time health monitoring, load balancing workload distribution enhances computer performance and reduces bottlenecks.

In cloud-supported healthcare environments, thisverifies the feasibility of decentralized, smart analytics, ensuring data integrity and efficient use of resources. Enhance privacy-preserving AI and enable collaborative model training without compromising sensitive medical information, future studies will explore the integration of federated learning approaches. Enhance real-time scalability, lower energy usageand enhance transaction efficiency, further blockchain consensus mechanism enhancement will be pursued. Reduce latency and improve the responsiveness of edge-cloud interactions, adaptive load-balancing approaches will also be considered. A more intelligent, scalableand secure environment for processing healthcare data will be enabled by these advancements.

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