Federated Deep Learning for Edge Computing (Part II)

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OBJECTIVE

This project is the second part of a combined project. The goal of this project is to propose a network efficient scheduling algorithm for Federated Learning on edge devices. We will use the environment setup developed in Part I of the project to conduct experiments in an emulated environment. These experiments will evaluate the performance of this scheduling algorithm against a round robin scheduler as a benchmark and tweak the algorithm's parameters to fine tune it.

Network Efficient Scheduling Algorithm

The network efficient scheduling algorithm picks the hosts with the highest efficiency for training during each round.

Efficiency is defined using a utility heuristic that takes into account both dataset size and the number of times it has been called on before.

$$Efficiency = \frac{Utility}{NetworkCost}$$

$$Utility = \frac{DatasetSize}{a*NumberOfTimesCalled+b}$$

Results

The network efficient scheduling algorithm performs better, requiring 19% less network cost to achieve an model accuracy of 90%.

