

Blockchain Based Outsourced Storage Schema in Untrusted Environment

N Pandi Venkatesh* and R Gunasundari†

Department of MCA, Karpagam Academy of Higher Education, Coimbatore, India

Keywords: Unsupervised Label Refinement (ULR), Search-Based Face Annotation (SBFA), Content-Based Image Retrieval (CBIR), Clustering-Based Approximation (CBA).

Abstract: Data outsourcing, a crucial service offered by the cloud service provider (CSP), can assist the data owner (DO) in overcoming large data's storage constraints. Typically, DOs utilise third-party metadata management (TPMM) to manage the data link and outsource data replication to many CSPs (multiple CSPs) to ensure data availability. However, in the process of outsourcing, it is difficult for DO to ensure the reliability of TPMM, and TPMM will do something bad to affect the reliability of information. Therefore, due to an over-reliance on TPMMs that are only semi-trusted for managing replication metadata, DO invariably experiences data security concerns. In this study, we concentrate on the issue of displaying multiple CSP credentials in an untrusted environment, i.e., how to store and examine the duplicated data's metadata in a multi-trust CSP environment. In response to this problem, we created a reliable outsourcing service platform using the new blockchain technology as a tool. In addition, we have considered all new features such as blockchain decentralized architecture, redundant storage, aggregation and non-tamper to ensure that data cannot be negatively altered. First, we developed a blockchain-based outsourcing service to store recycled data in an unreliable environment. We develop a new concept of Validation Node (VP) to manage the data by a copy of the blockchain, and each local saves the entire blockchain to prevent metadata damage. We offer a collaborative method suggested by VPs to store and analyse the replicated metadata. We finished the analysis and thoroughly tested all the CSP situations. Our strategy was the most effective, according test findings.

1 INTRODUCTION

The key outsourced data services' success is that CSP can provide dispersed techniques to provide "horizonless" storehouse capacity for data proprietors (DO), allowing them to get around the difficulties of storing large amounts of data while also lowering their physical and financial costs. Still, since DO cannot guarantee the CSP's reliability when using the outsourced data services, The reliability of handling the data through a single CSP may be questioned. If the services are unexpectedly stopped or suspended by an unreliable CSP, DO will specifically run into several challenging problems as data movement, data error, and sequestration exposure. To increase the reliability of outsourced data services, it would appear to be simple as maintain these data independently. Additionally, DO can obtain. Even yet, this naive outcome is constrained

and unreliable for the reasons listed below. Unique In order to guarantee the density of all., DO must first maintain distinct dispatches with each CSP. Unique As an alternative, DO must control each replication's metadata to prevent unauthorised access to the outsourced data's physical address. Reproduced In the end, DO is unable to determine whether replication metadata created by several CSPs has been maliciously altered or falsified. Compare Unique Blockchain, the technology that underpins cryptocurrencies like Bitcoin and Ethereum, is seen as a disruptive creative area of computing knowledge. Unique Decentralisation, redundant storage, collaborative conservation, and tamper resistance are some of the characteristics of blockchain. It is comparable to a distributed database that is managed by a number of peers that don't completely trust one another. Blockchain's capacity to save and exchange in data without the requirement.

* PG Scholar

† Professor & Head

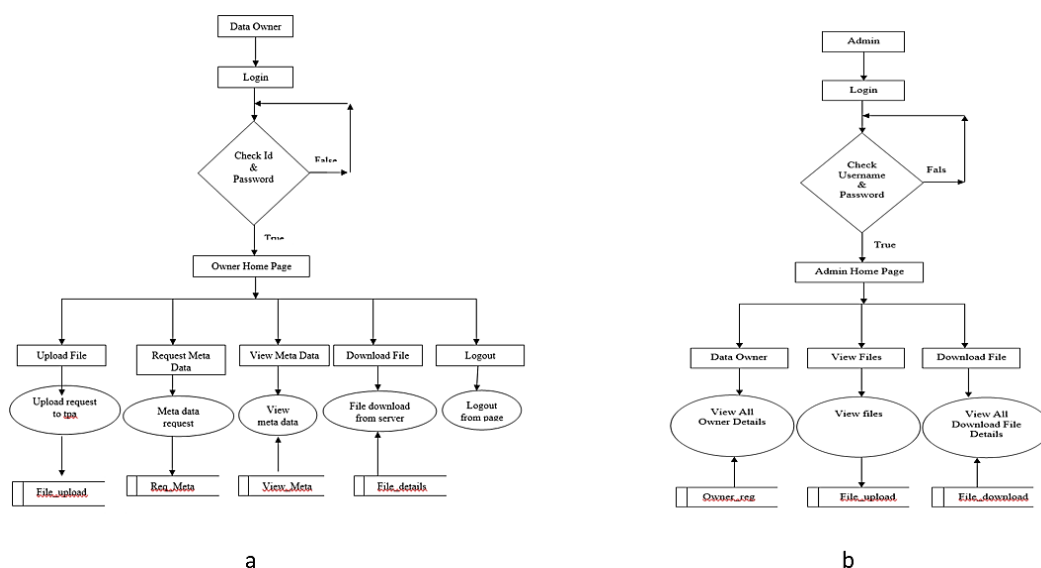


Figure 1: (a) Working diagram of Data owner login (b) Admin login.

2 REVIEW OF LITERATURE

A. Overview of outsourced storage and security concerns One of the primary security concerns associated with outsourced storage is data confidentiality. This can occur due to the failure to implement proper access controls or as a result of malicious attacks, such as hacking or phishing. To mitigate this risk, Techniques like encryption can be used to keep data private.

Another security concern associated with outsourced storage is data integrity. This can occur due to technical errors, as well as malicious attacks. To ensure data integrity, techniques such as checksums and digital signatures can be used to detect unauthorized modifications to data. Additionally, backups and redundancy can be used to prevent data loss due to technical failures or disasters.

Finally, availability of data is also a security concern in outsourced storage. If the third-party server hosting the data becomes unavailable or experiences downtime, it can result in the unavailability of data to authorized users.

In summary, outsourced storage provides many benefits in terms of cost and accessibility, but it also introduces several security concerns that need to be addressed. Techniques such as encryption, access control, data integrity checks, redundancy, and disaster recovery can be used to mitigate.

B. Performance Evaluation of Block-Based Outsourced Storage Solutions:

Latency: This measures the time it takes to retrieve a block of data from the storage system.

Throughput: This calculates the volume of data that can be moved to and from the storage system in a specific amount of time. For applications like big data analytics that need to process a lot of data quickly, high throughput is ideal.

IOPS (Input/Output Operations Per Second) measures how many input/output operations the storage system is capable of handling in a second. For applications like databases that need quick data access, high IOPS are preferred.

Data transfer speed: This is used to measure the speed of data transfer to and from the storage system. High data transfer speeds are desirable for applications that require fast data transfer, such as multimedia streaming.

Scalability: This measures the ability of the storage system to scale up or down to accommodate changing workloads. High scalability is desirable for applications that require flexible storage solutions.

Availability: This measures the percentage of time that the storage system is available for use. High availability is desirable for applications that require continuous data access, such as mission-critical applications.

To evaluate the performance of block-based outsourced storage solutions, organizations can conduct benchmark tests using standardized performance testing tools and methodologies. These tests can help identify bottlenecks and performance issues, as well as provide insights into the optimal configuration and tuning of the storage system.

C. Block-Based Storage and Its Advantages

Block-based storage is a type of data storage system where data is divided into small, fixed-sized blocks, each with a unique identifier. These blocks can then be stored, retrieved, and managed independently of each other. Block-based storage offers several advantages over other storage models, including:

Improved data management: With block-based storage, data can be managed at a granular level, allowing for more efficient allocation and utilization of storage resources. This means that blocks of data can be moved, replicated, or deleted without affecting the rest of the data.

Faster data access: Block-based storage allows for faster data access because data can be retrieved at the block level, rather than at the file or object level. This means that only the specific blocks needed to access the data are retrieved, reducing latency and improving performance.

Better data reliability: Block-based storage provides better data reliability because blocks can be replicated across multiple servers or disks, ensuring that data is always available even if one server or disk fails. Additionally, block-based storage allows for data checksums and other integrity checks to be performed at the block level, ensuring that data is not corrupted or tampered with.

Greater scalability: Block-based storage is highly scalable because blocks can be added or removed as needed, without affecting the rest of the data. This makes it easier to add capacity to the storage system as data needs grow.

D. Access Control Mechanisms for Block-Based Outsourced Storage

To implement access control mechanisms in block-based outsourced storage, organizations should define access policies and procedures that are aligned with their security requirements and industry standards. To make sure that only those with the proper authority may access the storage system, they need also establish robust authentication and authorisation systems. Furthermore, regular auditing and monitoring of user activity and access can aid in identifying and preventing unauthorised access to data.

E. Security Challenges in Block-Based Outsourced Storage

Data confidentiality: Data stored in block-based outsourced storage can be vulnerable to unauthorized access or disclosure. To address this challenge, organizations can implement access control mechanisms such as encryption, authentication, and authorization to restrict access to sensitive data.

Data integrity: Data stored in block-based outsourced storage can be vulnerable to unauthorized modification, deletion, or corruption.

Data availability: Block-based outsourced storage solutions can experience downtime or service disruptions due to hardware failures, network outages, or malicious attacks. To address this challenge, organizations can implement backup and disaster recovery solutions to ensure data availability in the event of a service disruption.

The protection of sensitive data: To address this challenge, organizations can implement security controls and processes that comply with industry standards such as HIPAA, PCI-DSS, and GDPR.

Vendor management: Organizations must carefully select and manage their block-based outsourced storage providers to ensure that they meet the organization's security requirements. This includes conducting due diligence on the provider's security controls, policies, and procedures, and regularly monitoring their compliance with contractual obligations.

Organisations should put in place a thorough security architecture with technical, administrative, and physical controls to reduce these security risks. To keep this framework useful in addressing new threats and vulnerabilities, it should be periodically examined and updated. Organisations should also regularly teach their staff members on security awareness so that they are aware of their roles and responsibilities in securing sensitive data.

F. Literature Survey

(1) A paper has been proposed by Y. Zhu, Zhang, Jin, Zhou, and . Yan. 1820–1831 in IEEE, 2019. Similar to force chain operations, digital means transfers, philanthropy, etc. advocated in several operations to build trust among different parties. Decentralised databases typically employ blockchain platforms. Even Nevertheless, blockchain platforms are much less user-friendly than conventional databases., they lack the capacity to efficiently and effectively simulate complicated operations. SEBDB is the first platform that takes into account both usability and scalability, as opposed to being workshop, sale is recorded. where each sale is represented by a tuple with a number, We encourage accessible operation development by employing SQL language as the common rather than law-position APIs, in normal operations to fit the that platform. while our system does not rely on RDBMS, it regards it as a critical component because to its lengthy track record of performance. We measured the quality of the main database. build a mini-benchmark. The results of extensive experiments show how effective and efficient our method is.

(2) A paper has been proposed by K. Christidis and M. Devetsikiotis 2016. We also enter and discuss combination of a blockchain 1) makes it possible to

share services and funds, creating a good service, and 2) enables us to create several laborious workflows in empirical way. We also highlight a few concerns that need to be taken into account prior to the deployment to blockchain environment, ranging from sequestration to the expected value of the digital assets transacted on the network. We note outcomes and workarounds where appropriate. We conclude that the blockchain-IoT combo is crucial and can result in considerable benefits. Our analysis leads us to the conclusion that the blockchain-IoT combo is substantial and has the potential to produce large transformations across various fields, opening the door for new business models and creative, distributed operations. [We then transition into the Internet of Things (IoT) space and explain how a blockchain-IoT combination 1) makes it easier for people to share services and resources, which creates a market for services between bias, and 2) enables us to automate several laborious workflows in a cryptographically empirical way. Additionally, we highlight a number of concerns that should be taken into account prior to the deployment of a blockchain network in an IoT environment, ranging from transactional sequestration to the anticipated digitize.

(3) A paper has been proposed by Zhang,., Cai, G. Chen, W. Fu, B. C. Ooi, and P. Ruan, 2018.

Existing data storage technologies provide a wide variety of functions to support a wide variety of applications. New classes of applications, such as blockchain and collaborative analytics, have however emerged. These application. As a result of incorporating the aforementioned needs into the storage, they offer new options for storage systems to effectively support such applications. We introduce created for blockchain and fo apps, in this article. Core application attributes are incorporated into the storage by ForkBase. ForkBase saves development effort while also delivering good performance. The store maintains provides two fork variations that allow for various fork workflows. Due to a cutting-edge index class that provides quick searches and accurate content duplication detection. ForkBase is quick and space-efficient.and a collaborative analytics application—are used to show off ForkBase’s functionality. We carry out thorough experimental comparisons with the relevant. The findings demonstrate that outperforms the competition while drastically reducing development time.

(4) A paper has been proposed by, 2017. J. Mao, Y. Zhang, P. Li, T. Li, Q. Wu, and J. Liu.

According to the storage of the cloud, in that architecture,Unauthorised access to the data is now significantly more likely. Making ensuring the data being outsourced is accurate is one of the biggest

issues with cloud storage. In particular, we must guard against unauthorised access to these data and detect and restore user data following unforeseen modifications. In this research, we present strategy for dynamic maintenance and integrity protection of cloud data that is publicly verifiable. In order to allow users to compute.

(5) A paper has been proposed by G. Zyskind, O. Nathan

In the model it controls vast quantities of private information is being allow into increase questions in the cases of spying and jeopardising privacy of the users. Bit coin has demonstrated that reliable, auditable computing is achievable in the financial sector by utilising a decentralised network of peers and a public ledger. The decentralised personal data management system we propose This article ensures that individuals own and control their data. We implemented a mechanism that turns a block chain into an independent access-control manager without requiring third-party trust. Transactions in our system, unlike Bit currency, are used to transport instructions such as storing, searching, and transferring data. rather than being strictly financial. We conclude by talking about potential block chain extensions in the future that might help society solve its problems with trusted computing in a comprehensive way.

3 BACKGROUND STUDY

Economic viability, technical, and social viability are the first three.

1)Economic viability: An organisation makes wise system investments. As a result, they ought to be worthy of the money invested in the system. Always consider the financial advantage, which must be greater than or equal to the system cost but not more than that.

The system's overall cost of investment is examined.

Considering how to cut costs by taking into account the price of the hardware and software. Every organisation wants to cut costs, but at the same time, service quality must be preserved. The system is created in accordance with the concern's cost estimation. The proposed solution in this project will undoubtedly save costs, speed up production, and reduce manual labour.

2)Technic viability: Technical viability refers to the evaluation of the software and how it is included into the research of our project. This has a number of technical issues that need to be noted.

- Is equipment technically capable of storing the data necessary for the new system?

After this project is finished, can this system be expanded? Exists a technique that guarantees security, reliability while accessing data, and accuracy? Will the system respond to the requester's repeated requests in a suitable manner? The technological problems are brought up when researching our system's viability. Consequently, the technical evaluation assesses the Oracle serves as the system's back end and JSP serves as its front end. Additionally, they offer enough memory to store and handle the data. It is the least expensive and most effective method because the company will install every process in the system.

The whole request submitted by the user is accepted by this system technique, and the response is delivered promptly and without error. It examines the resources that are available and how they may be used to create a workable system. It is a crucial step in the analysis and definition process to evaluate the technological feasibility in parallel. Oracle can easily handle the vast amount of information that has to be stored and retrieved. Due to the fact that the Oracle can be used with any system and that its functionality is constant. So, it's successful.

3) Social viability: Only once they are transformed into an information system and tailored to the needs of the organization's operations will the proposed project be useful. For the procedure, the following concerns are taken into account:

- Does this system offer the user and management enough support?

What approach ought to be used in this project

- Were the users involved in the initiatives' planning and development?

- Will the proposed system result in any harm, negative outcomes, a loss of control, or a reduction in the system's accessibility.

Minor problems can occasionally turn into severe ones in the process. It serves as a gauge for how well users can interact with the system. When making decisions, these things should be taken into account. The system is extremely user-friendly and well supported with reference to the project. In order to prevent injury or data loss, the techniques are described effectively and with the appropriate criteria. It has a GUI interface since using a GUI is more user-friendly.

4 METHODOLOGY

Problem Definition

The requirement for a secure and effective technique to store data in an outsourced environment when the storage provider may not be entirely trusted is the issue being addressed by the "Block-Based Outsourced Storage " project. The goal is to develop a schema that allows data to be stored in a distributed manner, while ensuring confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the data. The schema involves breaking the data into blocks and storing them on different storage servers, with each block being replicated multiple times for redundancy. To ensure security, each block is using a key, it is encrypted and access control policies are implemented to restrict unauthorized access to the data.

Objective

Input design is the process of converting a description of the input that is recognisable to stoners into a computer-base. This design is important for deterring crimes during data entry and outlining the right step to take to get correct information from the motorised system. It is performed by creating data entry defences that are able to manage massive amounts of data that are weed-friendly. Making data entering simpler and crime-free is the goal of input design. The veracity of the entered data will be verified. Defences allow for the entry of data. So that the stoner won't be caught in a moment of sludge, necessary alerts are delivered as needed. As a result, creating an input layout that is easy to grasp is the aim of input design.

Modules

Admin Module

In this admin module, admin can view all data owners who are upload the file into the server. Admin can view all file details which are stored in server and finally they can view download files.

Data Owner Module

In this module, data owner can upload the file in the server. they can request file meta data to the meta data admin. if the meta data admin can accept the owner request they send the meta data details and they also download the files from the server.

Server Module

In this module, server admin can view data owner file upload request and then they store the file into proper place in the server.

Meta Data Admin Module

In this module, admin can view meta data details and view the user file request. If they accept send the meta data information to the data owner.

Block Chain Module

In this module, data owner can view the file storage information. This is happened by means of using block chain. Because block chain is used for transparency and security. This meta data information is transparent only for data owner.

5 RESULTS & DISCUSSIONS

The block-based outsourced storage schema is a common approach used in cloud computing environments to store large amounts of data in an efficient and secure manner. In this schema, the data is divided into blocks and stored on multiple servers located in different geographic locations to ensure redundancy and fault tolerance.

However, in an untrusted environment, where the cloud service provider cannot be fully trusted. One way to achieve this is by using encryption techniques to secure the data before it is stored on the cloud servers.

In addition, data can be further protected by using a data backup and recovery mechanism that ensures the data can be restored recovery procedures can be put in place to restore data in case of any issues.

Overall, the block-based outsourced storage schema can be a reliable and secure approach to store data in an untrusted cloud environment, provided the necessary security measures are taken to protect the data.

6 CONCLUSIONS

A new trustworthy schema for controlling outsourced replication metadata saved by many CSPs in unreliable situations We create a novel architecture comprised of a group of VPs based on the extraordinary properties of blockchain Then, we present a cooperative algorithm for saving and validating replication metadata. VPs build a metadata block during the store phase using the provided signatures and accompanying metadata, then they write that block onto local data. On the verify step, VPs gave back local data by using signing use to extract relevant data. The results offers great scalability while also effectively storing and verifying the metadata.

REFERENCES

- S. A. Weil, S. A. Brandt, E. L. Miller, D. D. Long, and C. Maltzahn, "Ceph: A scalable, high-performance distributed file system," in Proceedings of the 7th symposium on Operating systems design and implementation. USENIX Association, 2006, pp. 307–320.
- J. Mao, Y. Zhang, P. Li, T. Li, Q. Wu, and J. Liu, "A position-aware merkle tree for dynamic cloud data integrity verification," *Soft Computing*, vol. 21, no. 8, pp. 2151–2164, 2017.
- Buterin, "A next-generation smart contract and decentralized application platform," 2014.
- J. H. Park and J. H. Park, "Blockchain security in cloud computing: Use cases, challenges, and solutions," *Symmetry*, vol. 9, no. 8, p. 164, 2017.
- Dorri, S. S. Kanhere, and R. Jurdak, "Blockchain in internet of things: Challenges and solutions," 2015.
- H. T. Vo, A. Kundu, and M. Mohania, "Research directions in blockchain data management and analytics," 2018.
- K. Christidis and M. Devetsikiotis, "Blockchains and smart contracts for the internet of things," *IEEE Access*, vol. 4, pp. 2292–2303, 2016.
- Lee and J. H. Lee, "Blockchain-based secure firmware update for embedded devices in an internet of things environment," *Journal of Supercomputing*, vol. 73, no. 3, pp. 1–16, 2017.
- M. Ali, J. Nelson, R. Shea, and M. J. Freedman, "Blockstack: A global naming and storage system secured by blockchains," 2016.
- T. T. A. Dinh, R. Liu, M. Zhang, G. Chen, B. C. Ooi, and J. Wang, "Untangling blockchain: A data processing view of blockchain systems," *arXiv preprint arXiv:1708.05665*, 2017.
- S. Cohen and A. Zohar, "Database perspectives on blockchains," *arXiv preprint arXiv:1803.06015*, 2018.
- Y. Yong and W. Feiyue, "The development status and prospects of blockchain technology," *Acta Automatica Sinica*, vol. 42, no. 4, pp. 481–494, 2016.
- J. Wang, X. Chen, J. Li, J. Zhao, and J. Shen, "Towards achieving flexible and verifiable search for outsourced database in cloud computing," *Future Generation Computer Systems*, vol. 67, pp. 266–275, 2017