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Cloud Computing and Social Network Applications Using Symmetric/Asymmetric Methods

Message from the Guest Editors

Cloud computing has facilitated recent developments in various areas of computing and networking.

Applications in the cloud are flourishing, and they help to promote the connections between people and people, between people and data, and between people and computing. One of the important applications is social networks such as Facebook, Weibo, Line, etc. The Cloud can be seen as an asymmetric platform where users store their data without actually knowing where they reside. On the other hand, social networks possess symmetric characteristics where users communicate in equal status. Further, social networks are also Cloud applications, so they also have asymmetric properties. Topics of interest include but are not limited to the following:

- Applications of cloud computing or social networks;
- Symmetric or asymmetric characteristics in cloud computing or social networks;
- Advantages or disadvantages in cloud computing or social networks;
- AI in cloud computing and social networks;
- Big data in cloud computing and social networks;
- Trends in cloud computing and social networks.

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