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Spark submit

Spark programs are executed (submitted) by using the spark-submit command. It is a command line program, characterized by a set of parameters (e.g., the name of the jar file containing all the classes of the Spark application we want to execute, the name of the Driver class, the parameters of the Spark application).

spark-submit has also two parameters that are used to specify where the application is executed.

Options of spark-submit: --master

--master

It specifies which environment/scheduler is used to execute the application

spark://host:port The spark scheduler is used mesos://host:port The mesos scheduler is used

The YARN scheduler (i.e., the one of Hadoop) yarn

The application is executed exclusively on the local PC local

Options of spark-submit: --deploy-mode

--deploy-mode

It specifies where the Driver is launched/executed

client	The driver is launched locally (in the "local" PC executing spark-submit)
cluster	The driver is launched on one node of the cluster

Popployment mode: cluster and client

In **cluster** mode

- The Spark driver runs in the ApplicationMaster on a cluster node.
- The cluster nodes are used also to store RDDs and execute transformations and actions on the RDDs
- A single process in a YARN container is responsible for both driving the application and requesting resources from YARN.
- The resources (memory and CPU) of the client that launches the application are not used.

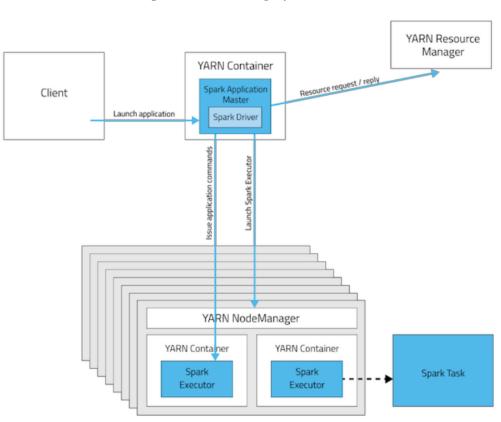
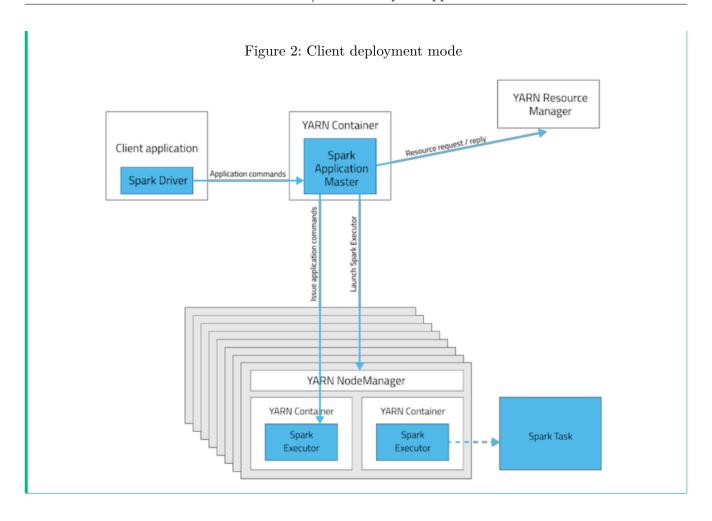


Figure 1: Cluster deployment mode

In client mode

- The Spark driver runs on the host where the job is submitted (i.e., the resources of the client are used to execute the Driver)
- The cluster nodes are used to store RDDs and execute transformations and actions on the RDDs
- The ApplicationMaster is responsible only for requesting executor containers from YARN.



Setting the executors

spark-submit allows specifying the characteristics of the executors

option	meaning	default value
num-executors	The number of executors	2 executors
executor-cores	The number of cores per executor	1 core
executor-memory	Main memory per executor	1 GB

Notice that the maximum values of these parameters are limited by the configuration of the cluster.

Setting the drivers

spark-submit allows specifying the characteristics of the driver

option	meaning	default value
-driver-cores	The number of cores for the driver	1 core
-driver-memory	Main memory for the driver	1 GB

Also the maximum values of these parameters are limited by the configuration of the cluster when the --deploy-mode is set to cluster.

Execution examples

The following command submits a Spark application on a Hadoop cluster

```
spark-submit \
--deploy-mode cluster \
--master yarn MyApplication.py arguments
```

It executes/submits the application contained in MyApplication.py, and the application is executed on a Hadoop cluster based on the YARN scheduler. Notice that the Driver is executed in a node of cluster.

The following command submits a Spark application on a local PC

```
spark-submit \
--deploy-mode client \
--master local MyApplication.py arguments
```

It executes/submits the application contained in MyApplication.py. Notice that the application is completely executed on the local PC:

- Both Driver and Executors
- Hadoop is not needed in this case
- Only the Spark software is needed