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Distributed Global Scheduling in Datacenters

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Underutilised Datacenter resources

Azure*

♦ 60% VMs have <= 20% CPU usage!</p>

Alibaba** -

- Server CPU 50% and memory usage
- ♦ Memory <= 60%</p>

100MW DC***

1% compute cycles = Small City Energy-Saving

Datacenter resources can be better utilised!

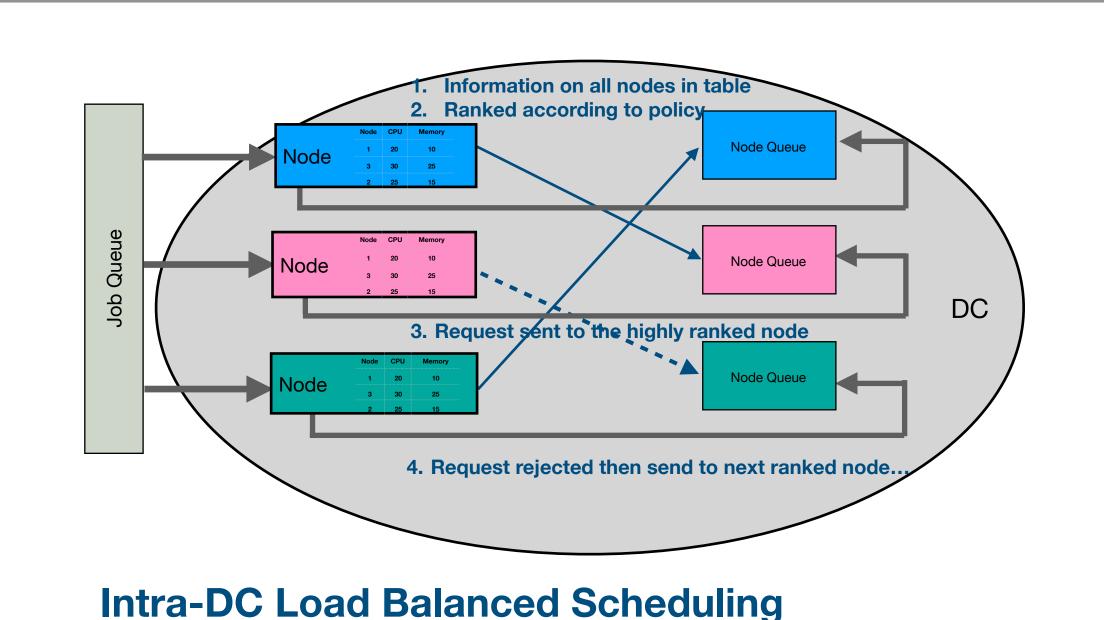
*Resource Central, SOSP'17

- **https://github.com/alibaba/clusterdata
- ***Scalable system scheduling for HPC and big data, JPDC'17

Schedulers In Datacenter Decentralised Centralized Hybrid Multi-Level Hierarchical Scheduling Schedulers sample a few nodes Nodes send regular updates DC DC Job/Task Queue Schedule Centralized Centralized Scheduler/ Resource Job/Task Queue Constraint Queue Queue Manager/ Scheduler Scheduler Job/Task Queue Job/Task Queue Job/Task Queue Examples - Mesos [NSDI'11], Yarn, Apollo [OSDI'14] Example - Sparrow [NSDI'14] Example - Hydra [NSDI'19], Medea [EuroSys'18], Borg [EuroSys'15] ☑ Better job/task placement **★** Scheduler bottleneck **★** Unsuitable for Long Running Applications ★ Large node status traffic ➤ Not globally optimal **X** Central components

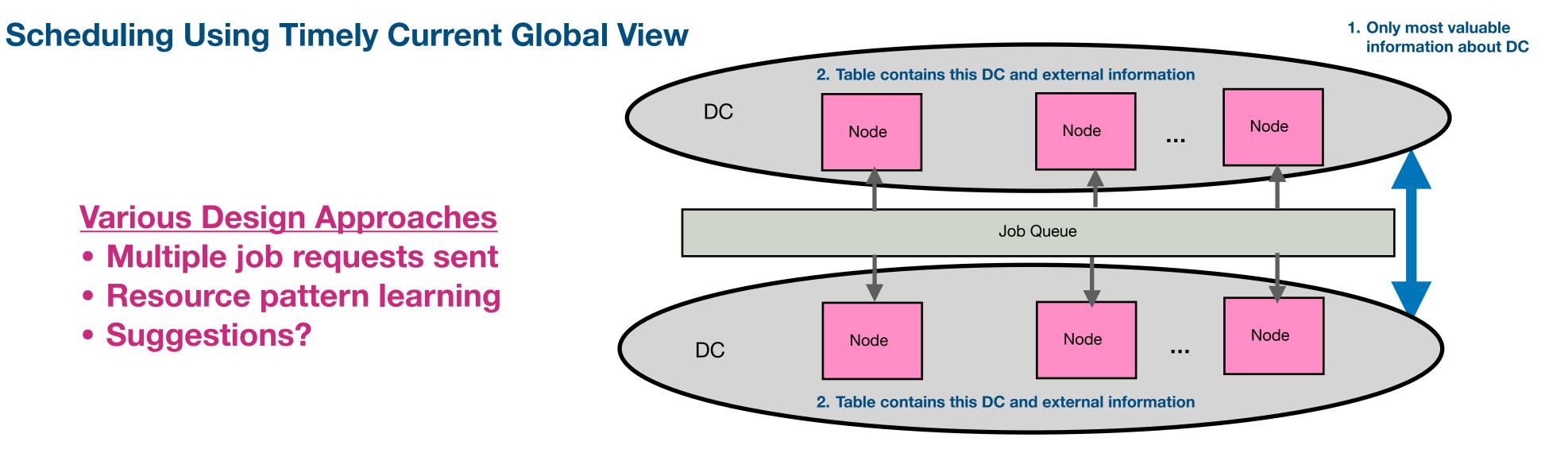
Node Level Global Scheduling Intelligence **Timely global** No single convergence bottleneck Unsuited for short jobs Flexible ranking ★ Large node status traffic policy Non-trivial convergence time

Timely Current Global View At Each Node Proposed solution inspired by routing protocols **☑** Resource Information DC Current resource utilisation Predicted future utilisation **⊠** BGP, OSPF, ... **⊠** Resource information propagated **☑** Global convergence Node D **⊠** Ranking **☑** Identical ranking policy Better load balancing Higher utilisation Node C * Best fit, worst fit, ...



Various Design Approaches

- Multiple job requests sent
- Resource pattern learning
- Suggestions?



Inter-DC Load Balanced Scheduling