Decentralized Dynamic Scheduling across Heterogeneous Multi-core Desktop Grids

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Multi-core is not enough

- Multi-core CPU is the current trend of desktop computing
- Not easy to exploit Multi-core in a single machine for high throughput computing
 - "Multicore is Bad news for Supercomputers", S. Moore, IEEE Spectrum, 2008
- We have proposed decentralized solution for initial job placement for Multi-core Grids, but..

Dynamic Re-scheduling can surely improve performance even more ...

Motivation and Challenges

- Why is dynamic scheduling needed?
 - Stale load information
 - Unpredictable job completion times
 - Probabilistic initial job assignment
- Challenges for decentralized dynamic scheduling for multi-core grids
 - Multiple resource requirements
 - Decentralized algorithm needed
 - No Job starvation allowed

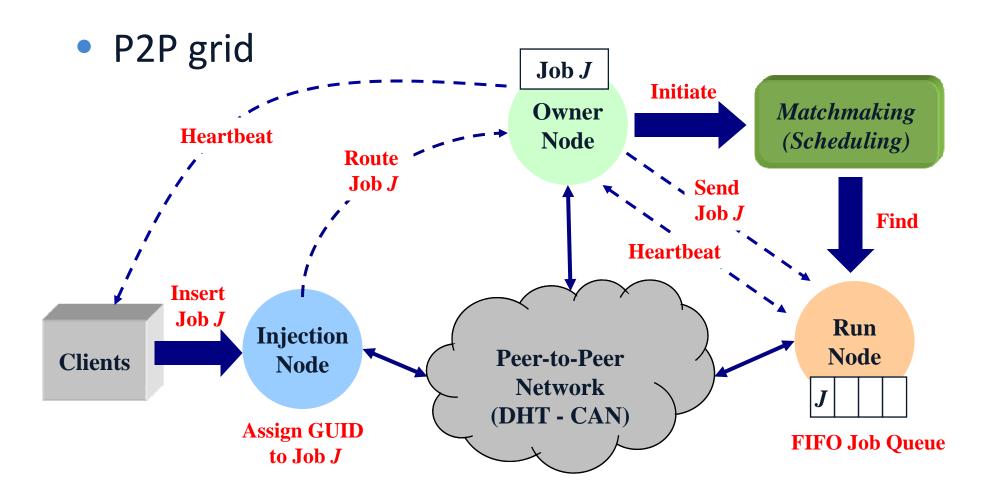
Our Contribution

- New *Decentralized* Dynamic Scheduling Schemes for *Multi-core* Grids
 - Intra-node scheduling
 - Inter-node scheduling
 - Aggressive job migration via Queue Balancing
- Experimental Results via extensive simulation
 - Performance better than static scheduling
 - Competitive with an online centralized scheduler

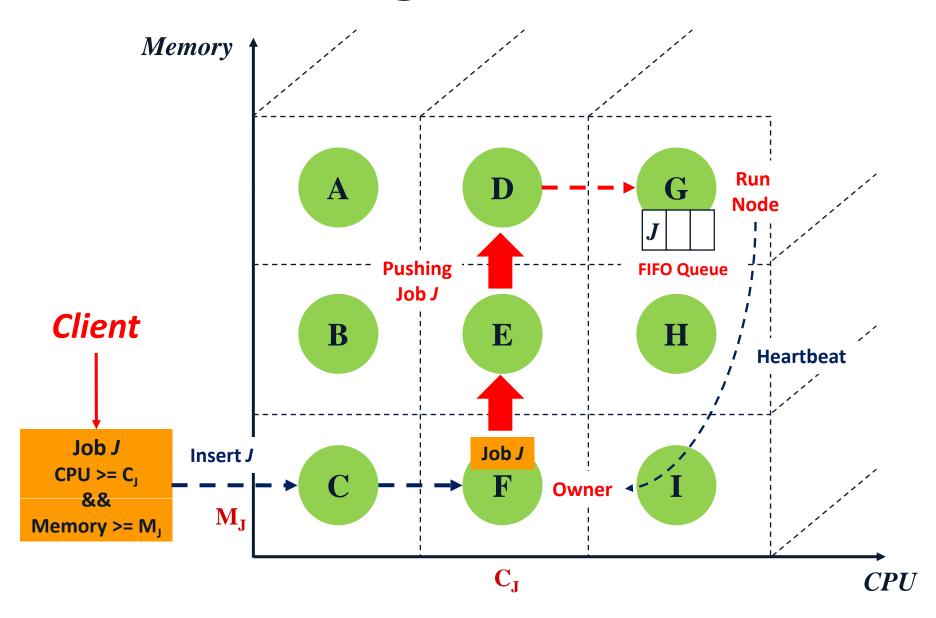
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Overall System Architecture



Matchmaking Mechanism in CAN

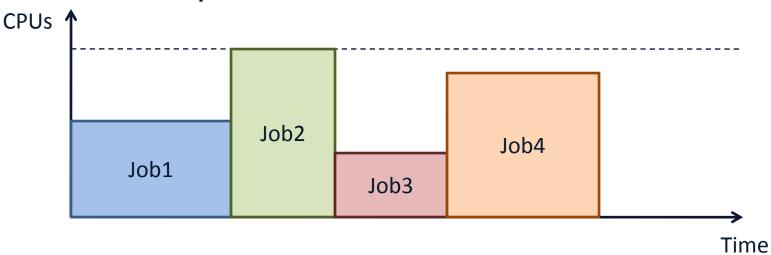


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Backfilling

Basic Concept



- Features
 - Job running time must be known
 - Conservative vs. EASY Backfilling
 - Inaccurate job running time estimates reduce overall performance

Approaches for K-resource requirements

- Backfilling with multiple resource requirements (Leinberger:SC'99)
 - Backfilling in a single machine
 - Heuristic approaches
 - Assumption : Job Running times are known
- Job migration to balance K-resources between nodes (Leinberger: HCW'00)
 - Reduce local load imbalance by exchanging jobs, but does not consider overall system loads
 - No backfilling scheme
 - Assumption : near-homogeneous environment

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Dynamic Scheduling

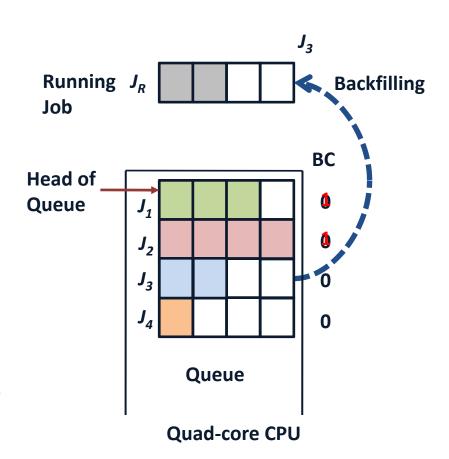
- After Initial Job assignment, but before the job starts running, dynamic scheduling algorithm invoked *Periodically*
- Costs for dynamic scheduling
 - Job Migration Cost
 - None : For intra-node scheduling
 - Minimal: For inter-node scheduling & Queue balancing
 - CPU cost : None
 - No preemptive scheduling: Once a job starts running, it won't be stopped due to dynamic scheduling.

Intra-Node Scheduling

 Extension of Backfilling with multiple resource requirements

Backfilling Counter (BC)

- Initial value : 0
- Counts number of other jobs that have bypassed the job
- Only a job whose BC is equal to or greater than maximum BC of jobs in the queue can be backfilled
- No job starvation



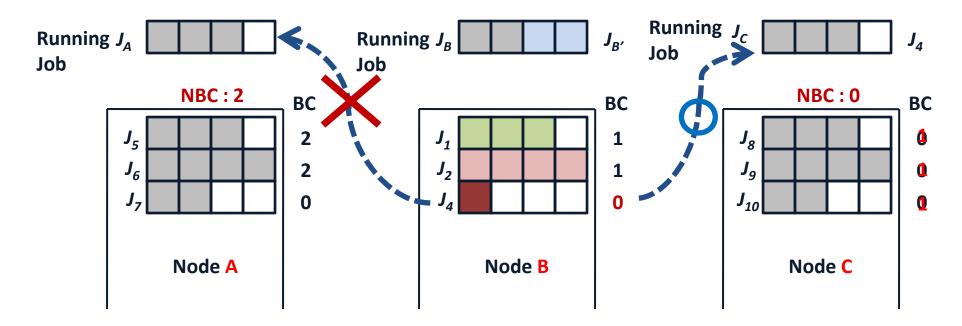
Which job should be backfilled?

- If multiple jobs can be backfilled,
 - Backfill Balanced (BB) (Leinberger:SC'99) algorithm
 - Choose the job with minimum objective function(= BM x FM)
- Balance Measure (BM)

- Minimize uneven usage across multiple resources
- Fullness Measure (FM)
 - **FM** = 1 Average Utilization
 - Maximize average utilization

Inter-node Scheduling

- Extension of Intra-node scheduling across nodes
- Node Backfilling Counter (NBC)
 - Maximum BC of jobs in the node's waiting queue
 - Only jobs whose BC is equal to or greater than NBC of the target node can be migrated
 - No job starvation



Inter-node Scheduling – PUSH vs. PULL

PUSH

- A job sender initiates the process
- Sender tries to match every job in its queue with residual resources in its neighbors in the CAN
- If a job can be sent to multiple nodes, pick the node with minimum objective function, and prefer a node with the fastest CPU

$$f_{Inter-PUSH} = BM \cdot FM \cdot \frac{1}{CPU_{SPEED}}$$

PULL

- A job receiver initiates the process
- Receiver sends a *PULL-Request* message to the potential sender (the one with maximum current queue length)
- Potential sender checks whether it has a job that can be backfilled, and the job satisfies BC condition
- If multiple jobs can be sent, choose the job with minimum objective function (= BM x FM)
- If no job can be found, send a PULL-Reject message to receiver
- The receiver looks for another potential sender among neighbors, if gets a PULL-Reject message

Queue Balancing

- Intra-node scheduling & Inter-node scheduling look for job that can start running immediately, to use current residual resources
- Add *Proactive* job migration for queue (load) balancing
 - Migrated job does not have to start immediately
- Use normalized Load measure for a node with multiple resources (Leinberger:HCW'00)
 - For each resource, sum all job's requirements in the queue and normalize it with respect to node's resource capability
 - Load on a node defined as the maximum of those
- PUSH & PULL schemes can be used
 - Minimize total local loads (= sum of loads of neighbors, TLL)
 - Minimize maximum local load among neighbors (MLL)

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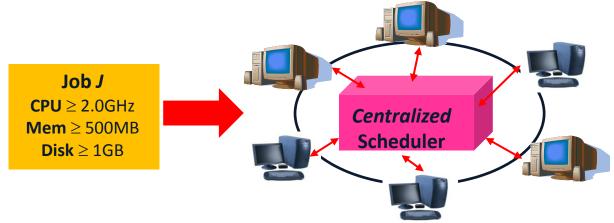
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Experimental Setup

- Event-driven Simulations
 - A set of nodes and events
 - 1000 initial nodes and 5000 job submissions
 - Jobs are submitted with average inter-arrival time τ (with a **Poisson** distribution)
 - A node has 1,2,4 or 8 cores
 - Job run times uniformly distributed between 30 and 90 minutes
 - Node Capabilities and Job Requirements
 - CPU, Memory, Disk and the number of cores
 - Job requirement for a resource can be omitted (Don't care)
 - Job Constraint Ratio: The probability that each resource type for a job is specified
 - Steady state experiments

Comparison Models

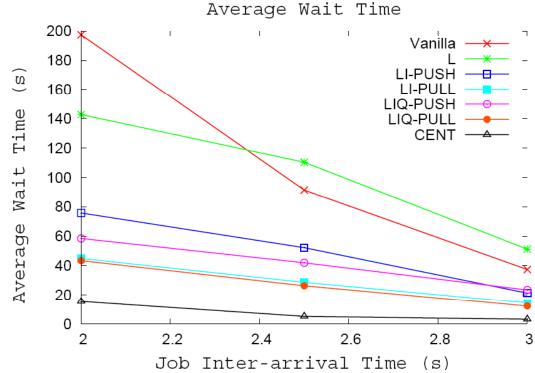
- Centralized Scheduler (CENT)
 - Online and global scheduling mechanism with a single wait queue
 - Not feasible in a complete implementation of P2P system



- Tested combinations of our schemes
 - Vanilla: No dynamic scheduling (Static Scheduling only)
 - L: Intra-node scheduling only
 - LI: L + Inter-node scheduling
 - LIQ: LI + Queue balancing
 - LI(Q)-PUSH/PULL: LI & LIQ with PUSH/PULL options

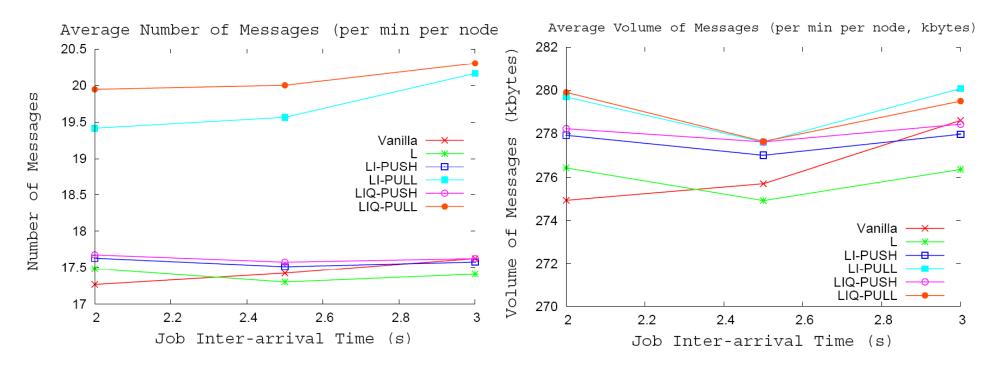
Performance varying system load

- LIQ-PULL > LI-PULL > LIQ-PUSH > LI-PUSH > L >= Vanilla
- Inter-node scheduling provides big improvement
- PULL is better than PUSH
 - In overloaded system, PULL is better to spread information due to aggressive trial for job migration (Demers:PODC'87)
- Intra-node scheduling cannot guarantee better performance than Vanilla
 - The Backfilling Counter does not ensure that other waiting jobs will not be delayed (different from conservative backfilling)



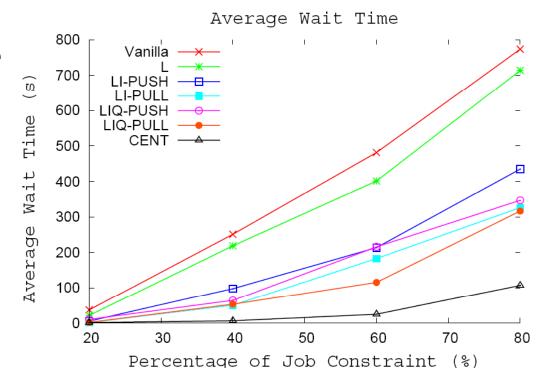
Overheads

- PULL has higher cost than PUSH
 - Active search (lots of trials and rejects)
- Other schemes are similar to Vanilla
 - No significant additional overhead



Performance varying Job Constraint Ratio

- LIQ-PULL : best
- LIQ == LI
- LIQ-PULL is competitive to CENT
- For 80% Job Constraint Ratio, LIQ-PULL performance gets relatively worse
 - difficult to find a capable neighbor for job migration, because jobs are more highly constrained



Evaluation Summary

- Performance
 - LIQ-PULL is competitive to CENT
 - Inter-node Scheduling has major impact on performance
 - PULL is better than PUSH (more aggressive search)
 - Good performance can be achieved regardless of system load and job constraint ratio
 - it's worthwhile to do dynamic load balancing
- Overheads
 - PULL > PUSH (more aggressive search)
 - Competitive to Vanilla

Conclusion and Future Work

- New decentralized Dynamic Scheduling for Multi-core P2P Grids
 - Extension of *Backfilling* (Intra-node/Inter-node)
 - Backfilling Counter: No Job Starvation
 - Proactive Queue Balancing
- Performance Evaluation via simulation
 - Better than Static Scheduling
 - Competitive performance to CENT
 - Low overhead
- Future work
 - Real grid experiments (in cooperation with Astronomy Dept.)
 - Decentralized Resource Management for Heterogeneous Asymmetric Multi-processors