# H-DRF: Hierarchical Scheduling for Diverse Datacenter Workloads

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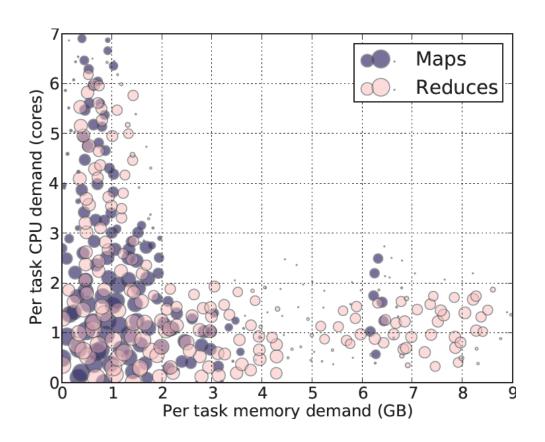
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## Background



• Data centers run a large mix of workloads ...leading to diverse resource requirements

multi-resource scheduling necessary for isolation and efficiency

## Background: multi-resource fairness

- Dominant Resource Fairness (DRF)
  - Share guarantee: guaranteed 1/n share
  - Strategy-proof: lying can only hurt you
- Well understood
  - Efficiency, extensions, limitations
- DRF now de-facto scheduler in Hadoop
  - DRF capacity scheduler (HortonWorks)
  - DRF fair scheduler (Cloudera)

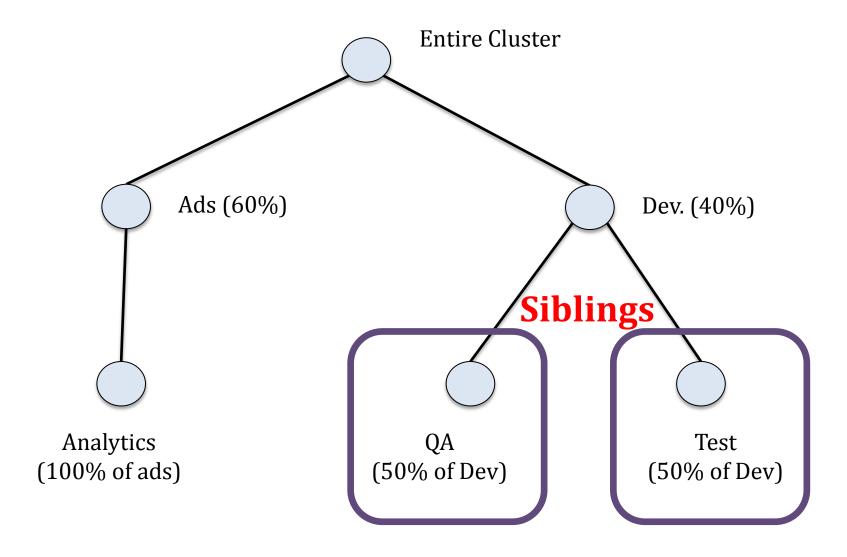
## Slight problem...

- Hadoop always had hierarchical policies
  - Problem: DRF didn't mention hierarchies

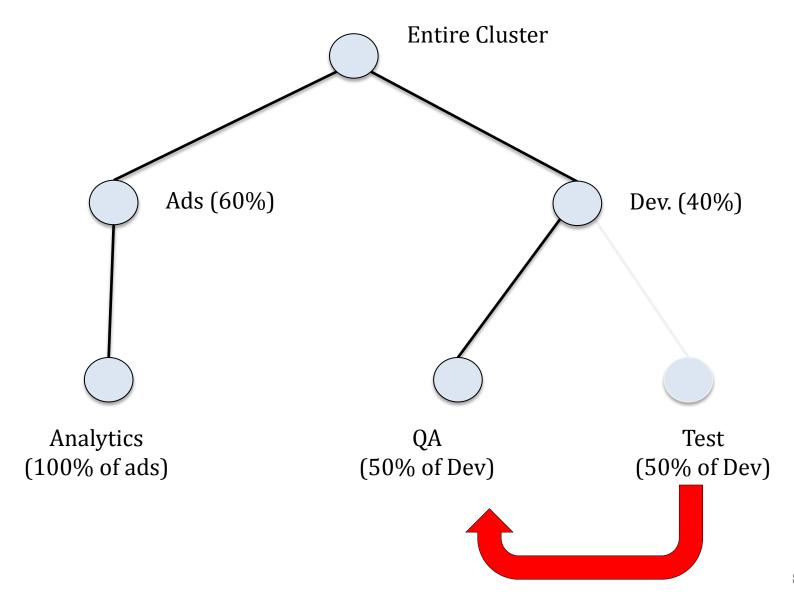
 Both industry implementations adapted DRF to support hierarchies

## What's hierarchical scheduling?

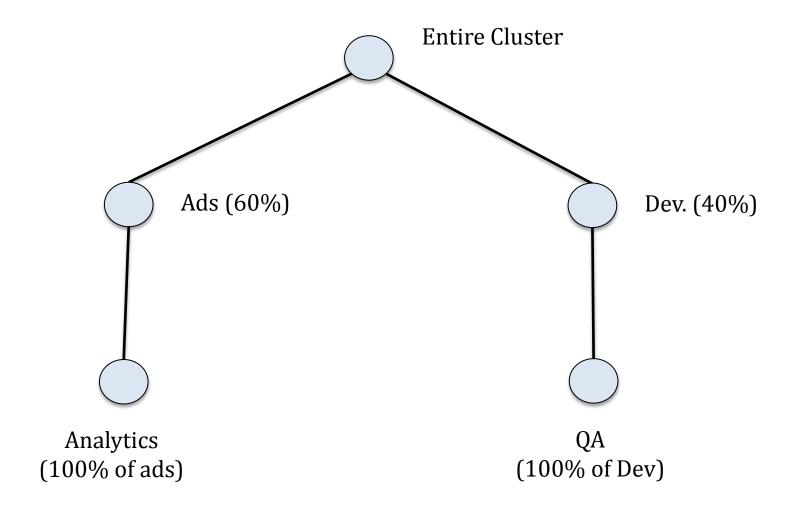
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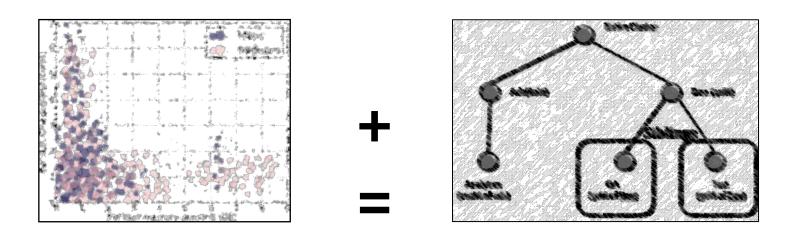


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#### **Multi-Resource Scheduling**

#### **Hierarchical Policies**



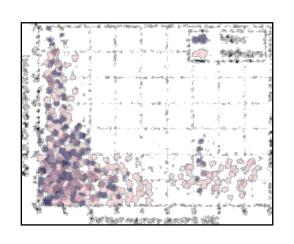
## **Challenging**

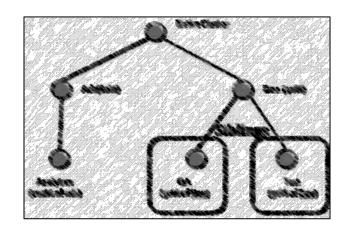
- Hadoop DRF schedulers can break down
  - Leave resources unallocated, or
  - Starve some users

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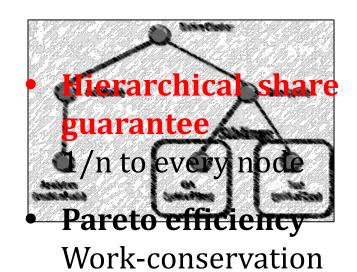
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## Dominant Resource Fairness (DRF)

- Dominant resource of a user is the resource she has biggest share of
  - Dominant share of a user is her share of her dominant resource

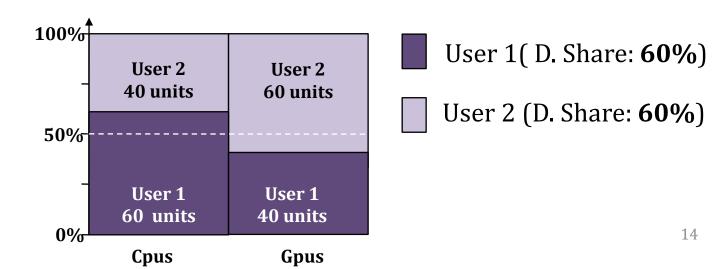
Total resources: <100 Cpus, 100 Gpus> (2 types of resources)

User 1 demand: <3 Cpus, 2 Gpus> dom res: Cpu

User 2 demand: <2 Cpus, 3 Gpus> dom res: Gpu

#### DRF Scheduler

- Max-min fair allocation on dominant shares
- "Equalize" the dominant share of all users

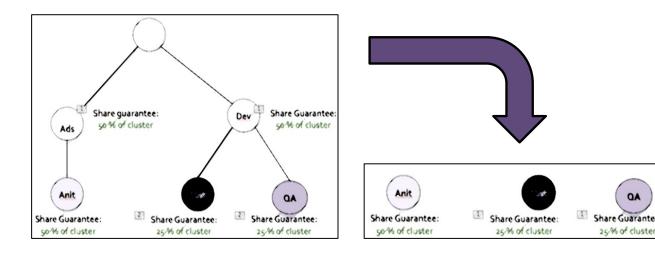


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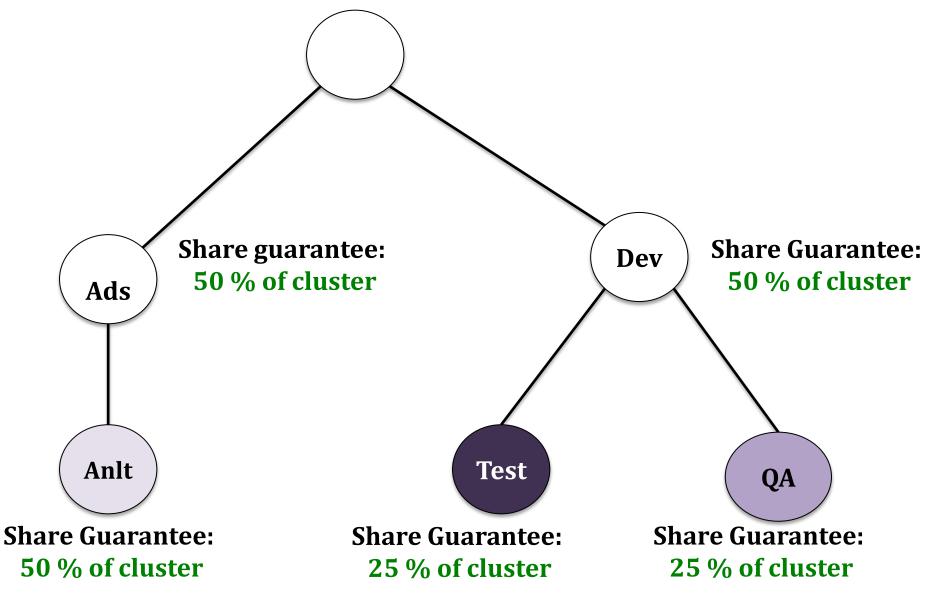
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- General technique
  - Compute fair share of every leaf node
  - Use weighted scheduler (weighted DRF)

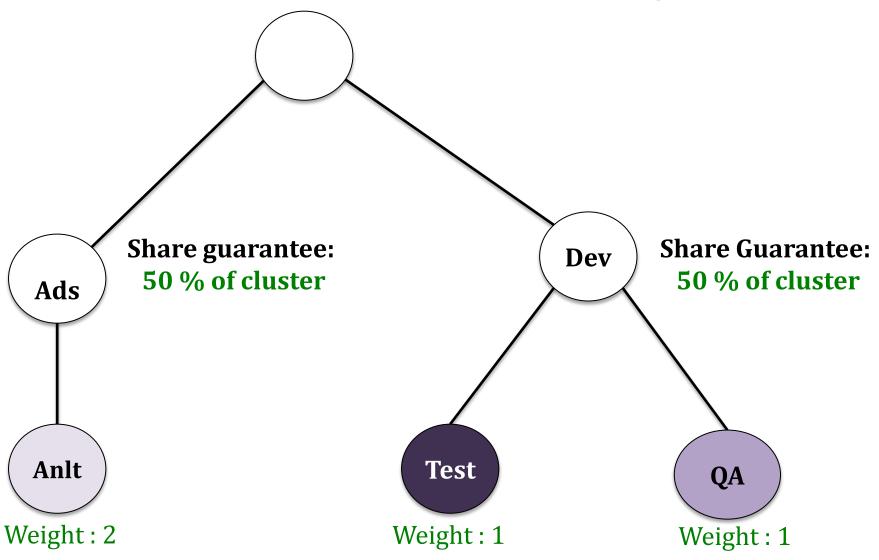


Works for any single-resource scheduler

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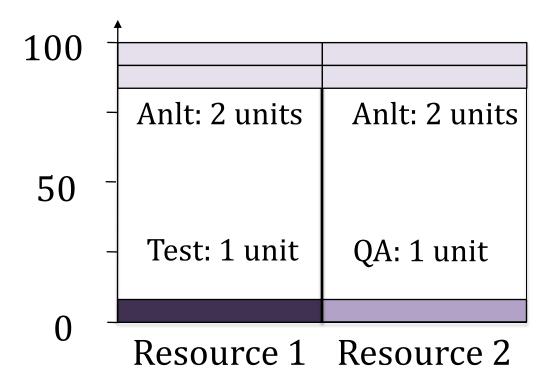
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### **Initial Allocation**



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Test

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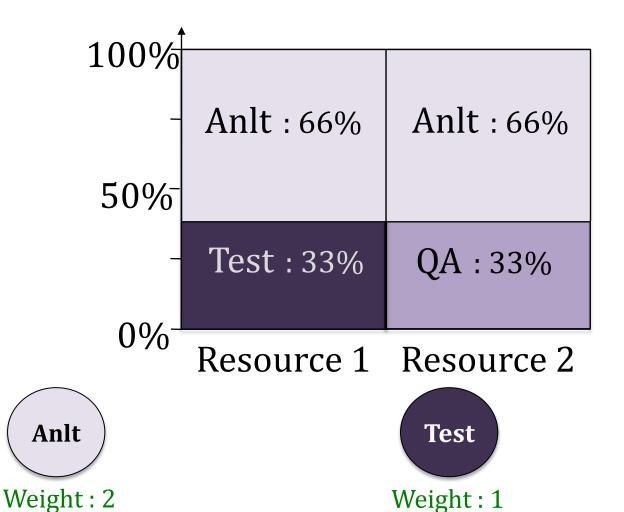
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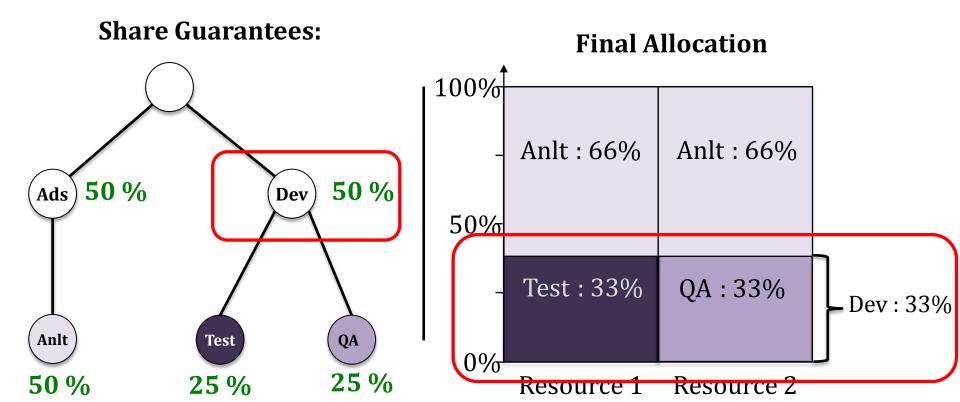
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## Hierarchical Share Guarantee Violated

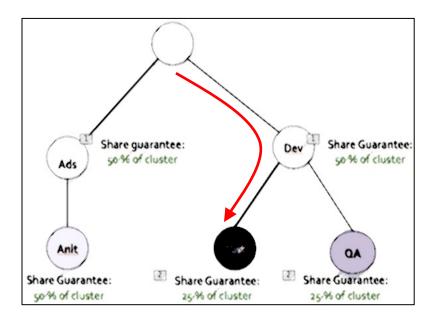


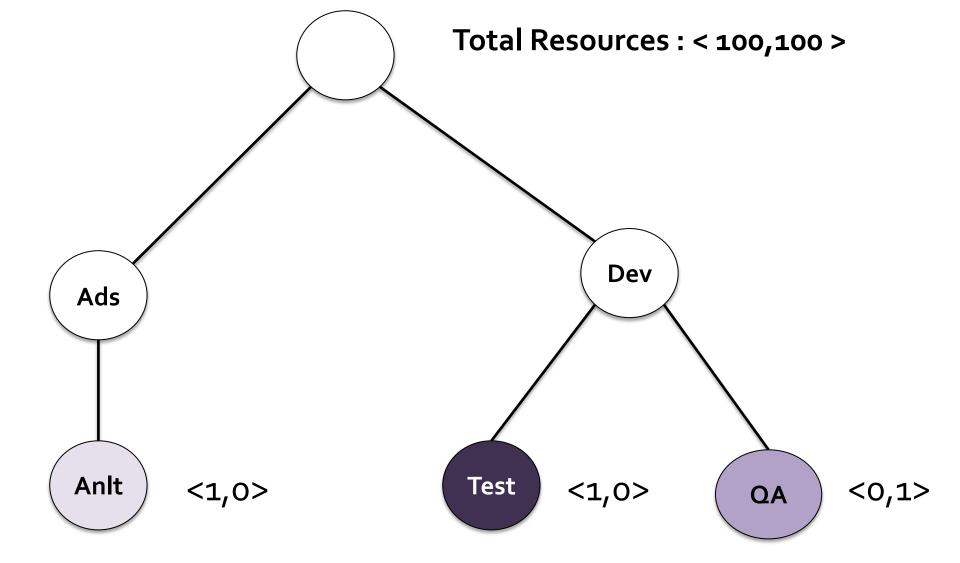
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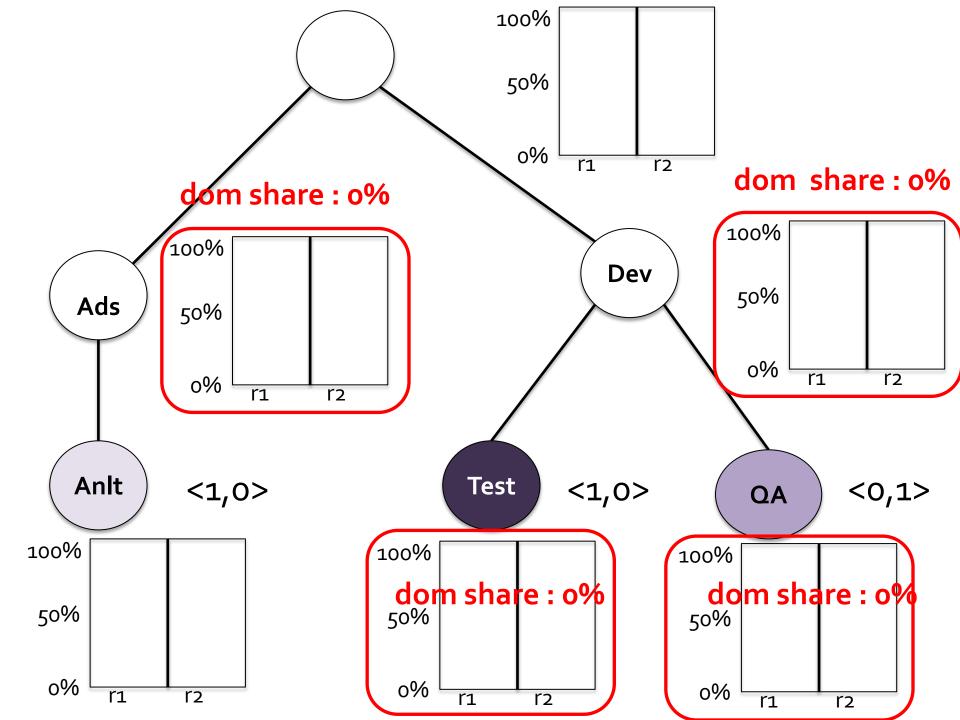
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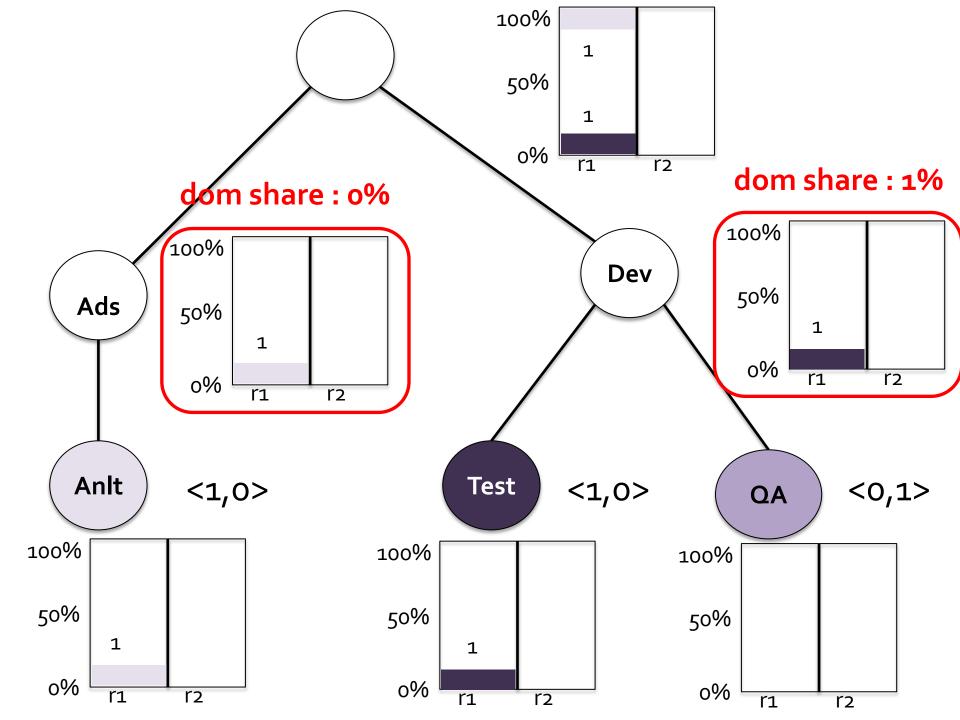
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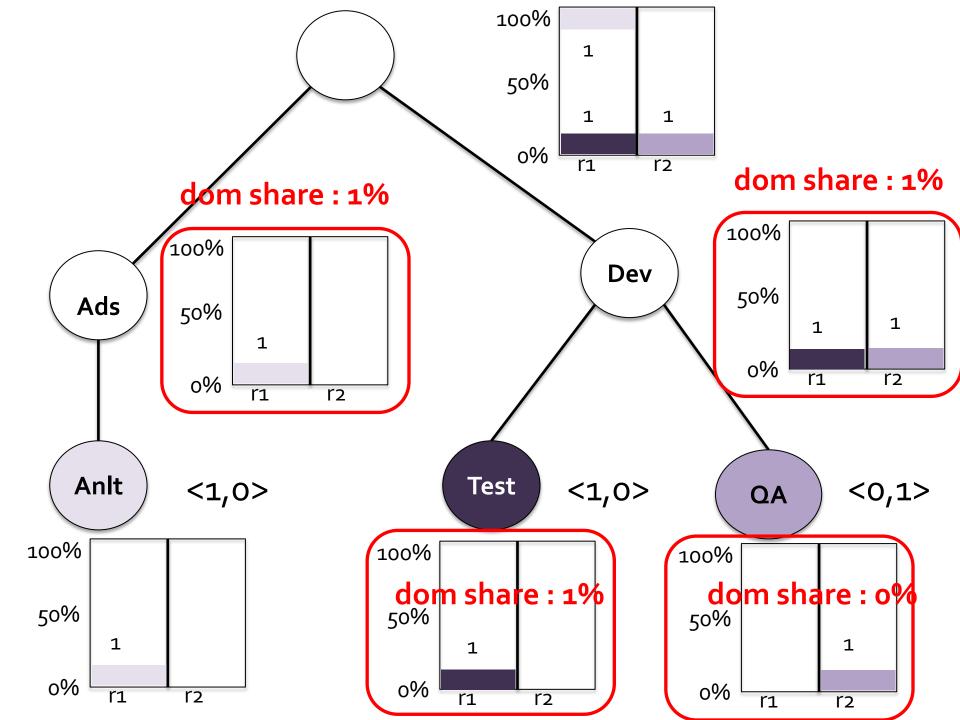
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  - Top-down equalize siblings

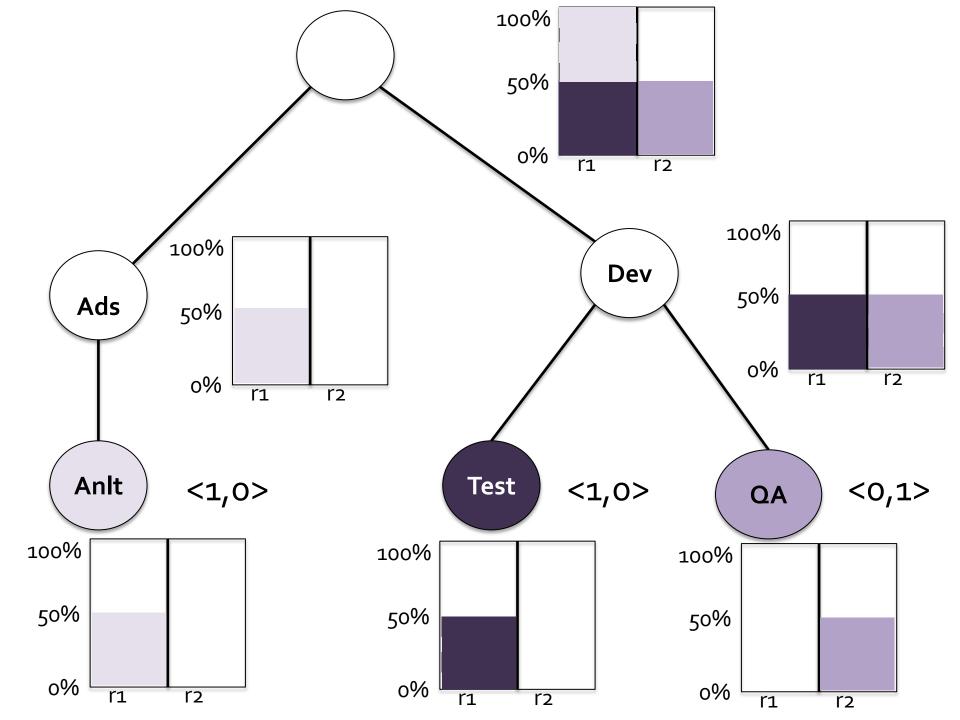


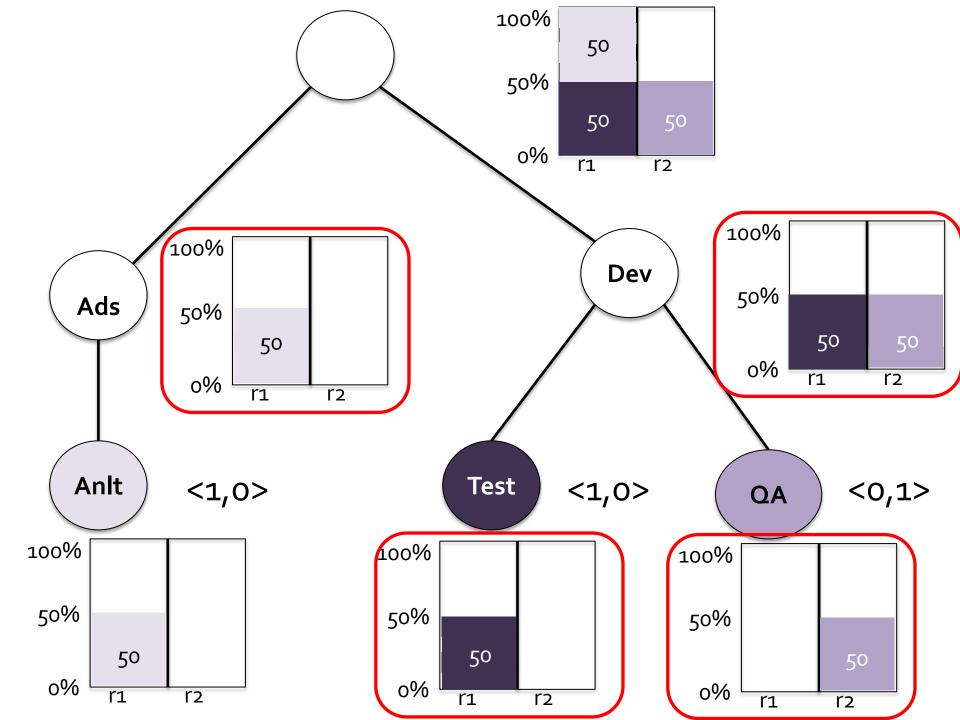


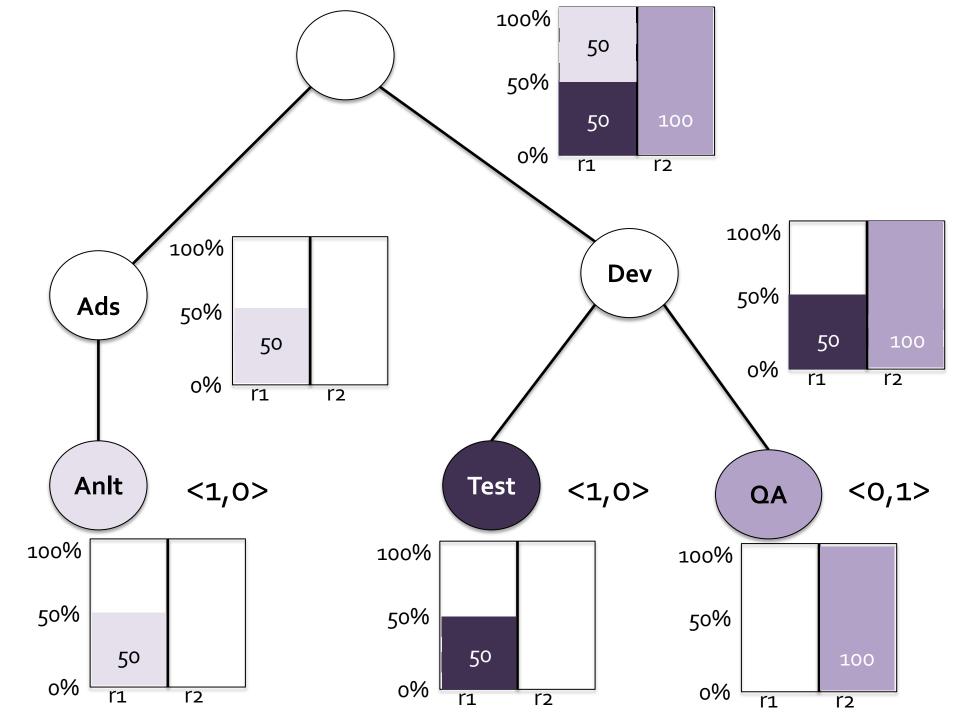




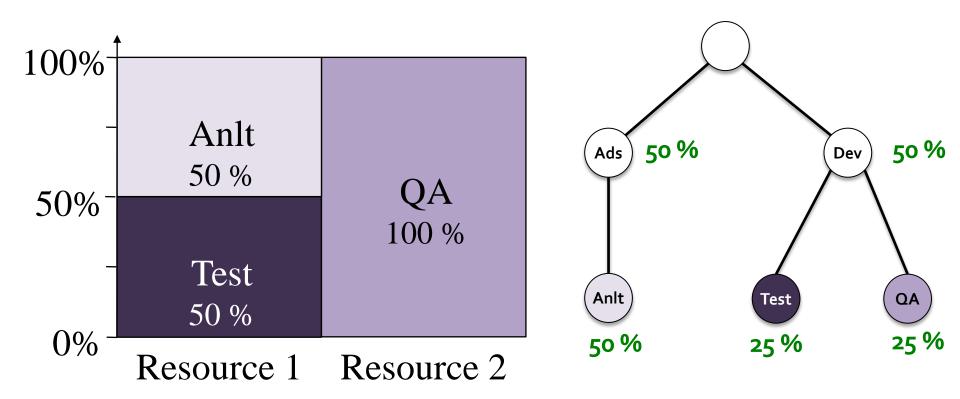




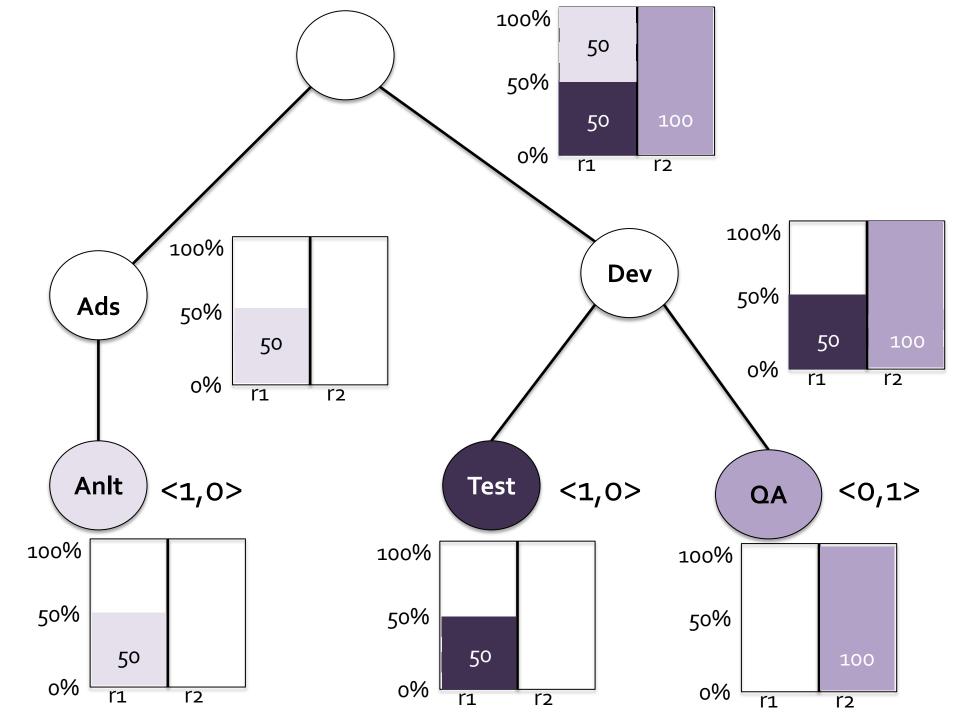


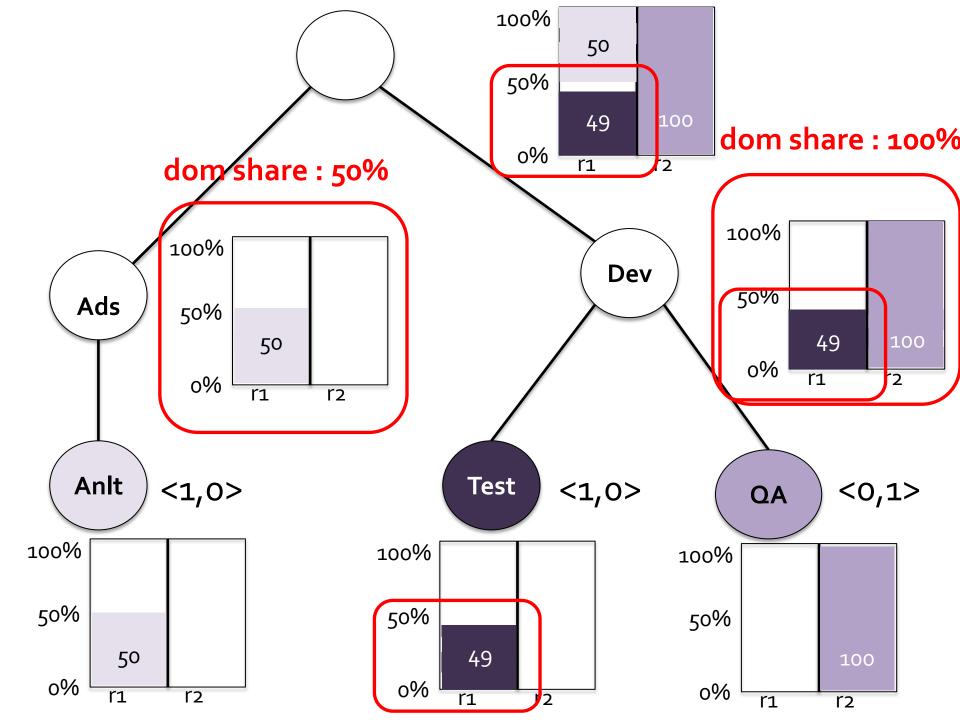


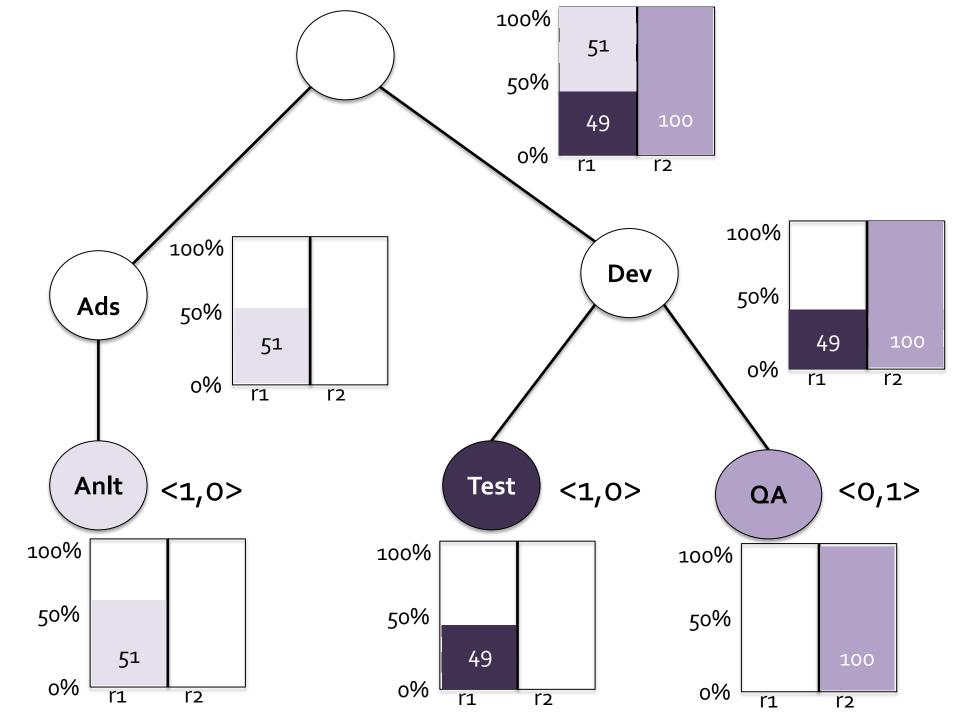
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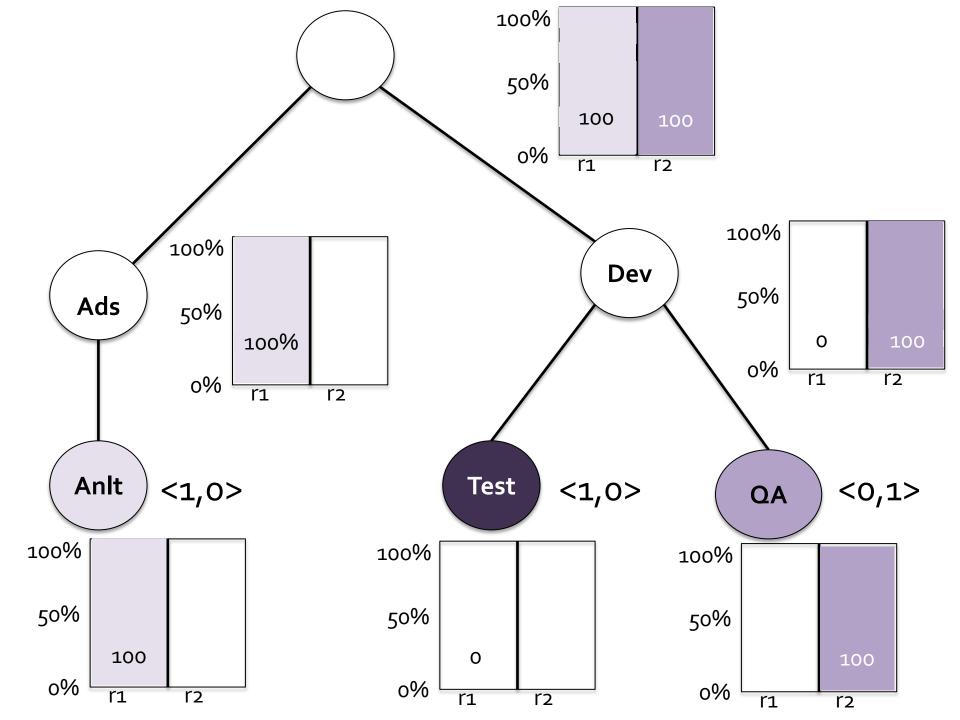


Hierarchical share guarantees for every node



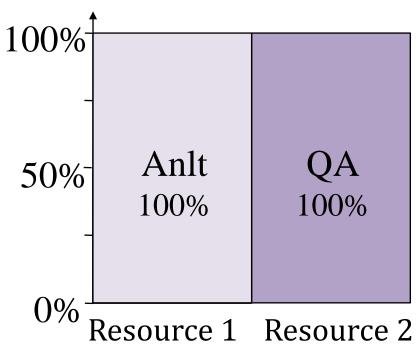




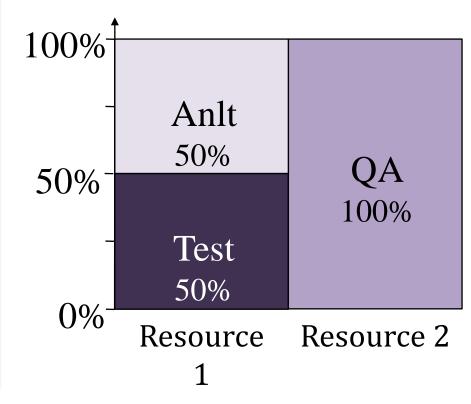


#### Starvation

# Allocation in a dynamic cluster



#### Ideal allocation



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Leverage Static H-DRF

#### Add two invariants

- Re-scale consumption vectors
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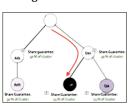
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function Alloc(W)



# Re-scaling Consumption Vectors

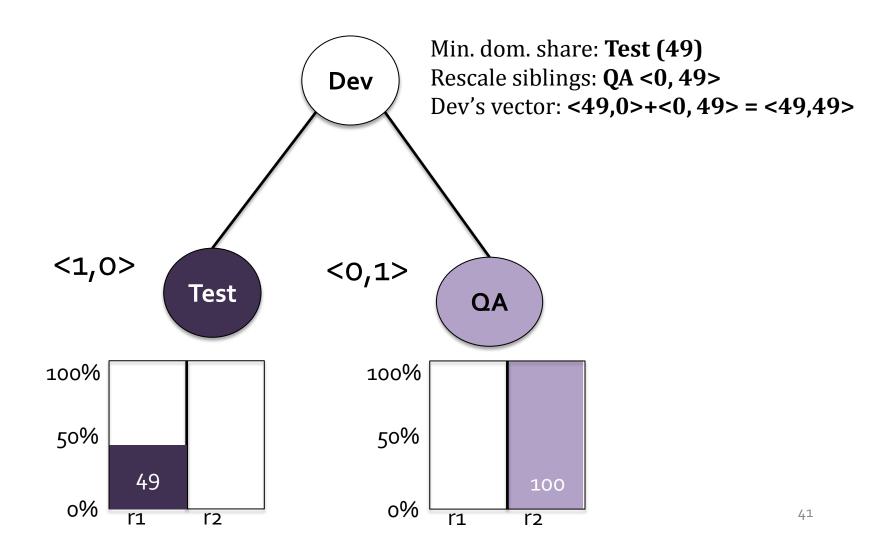
#### Intuition

- No starvation from empty cluster
- Rescale back as if started from empty cluster

#### Re-scaling

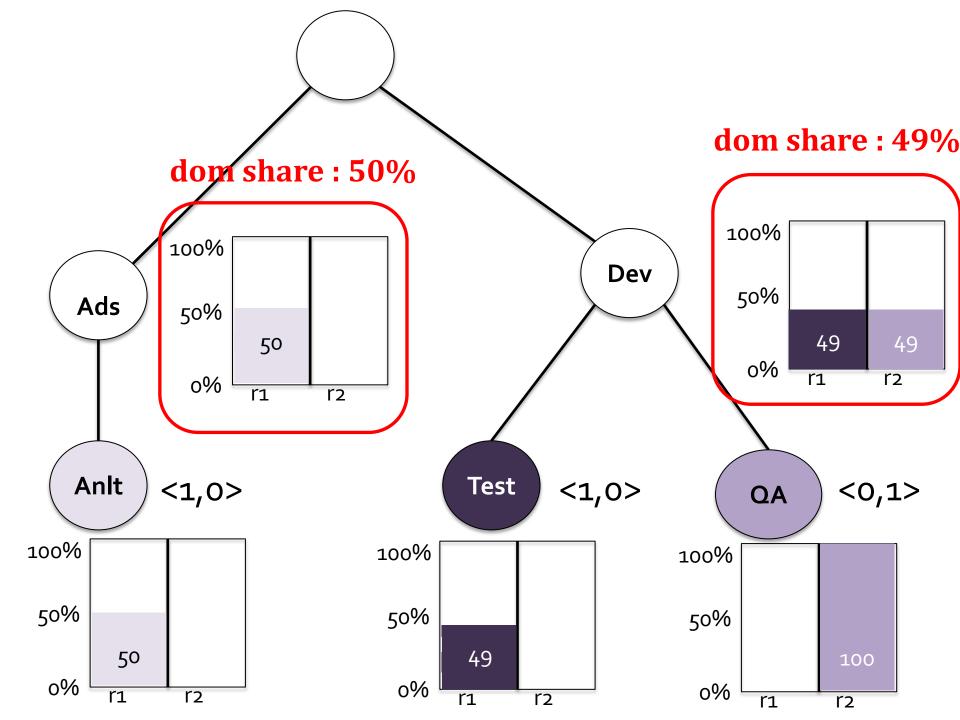
- Choose sibling with lowest dominant share M
- Rescale all siblings to have a dominant share M
- Parent resource usage = sum of rescaled vectors

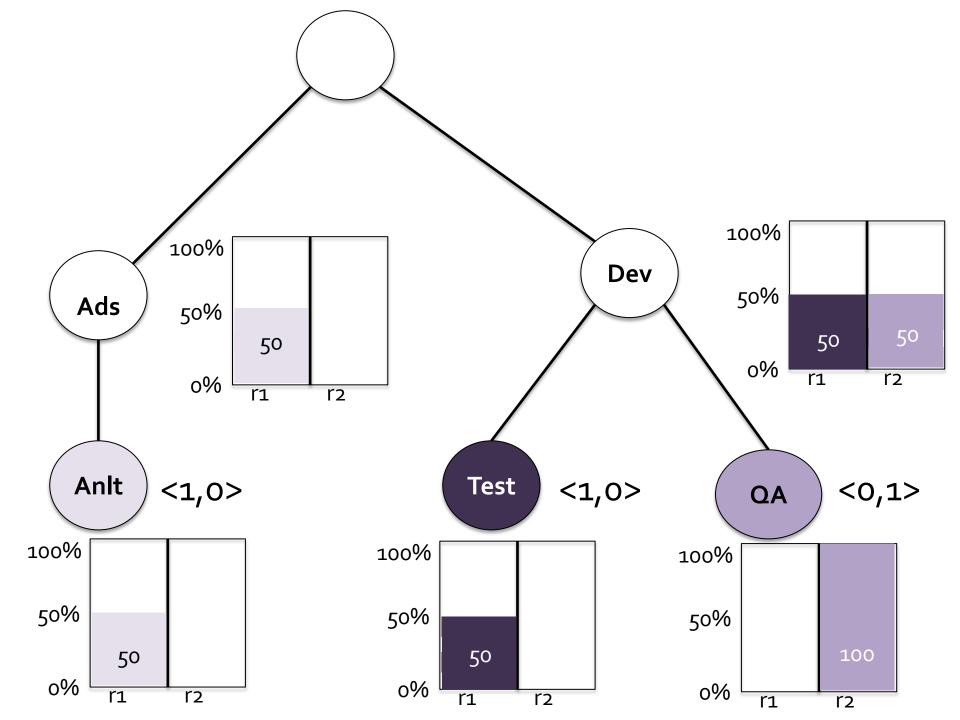
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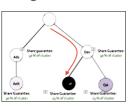
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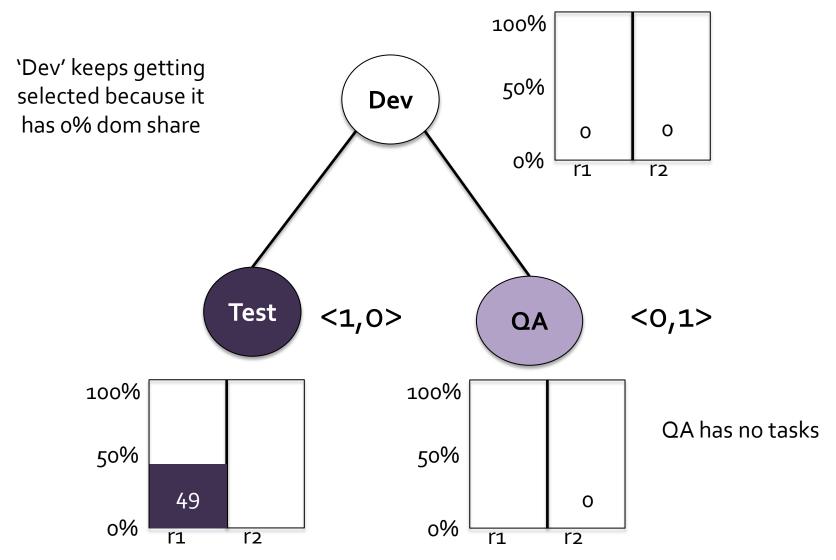
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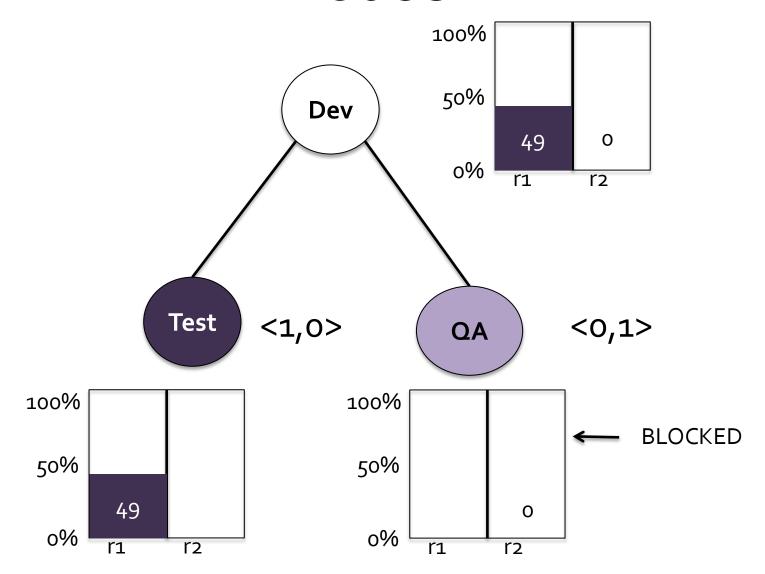
#### A node is blocked iff

- No more demand
- Cannot be allocated more resources
- All its children are blocked

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- Only look at non-blocked siblings for min M
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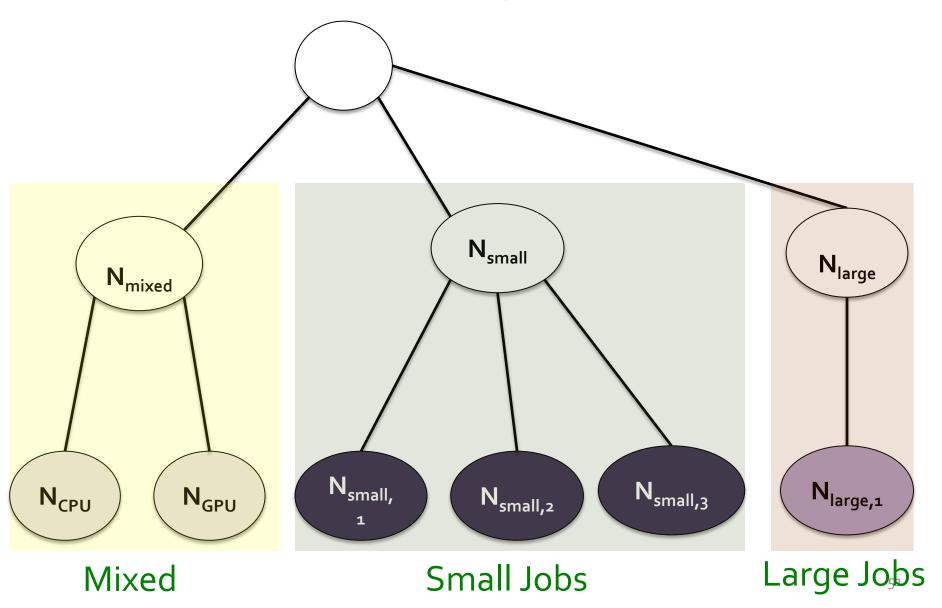
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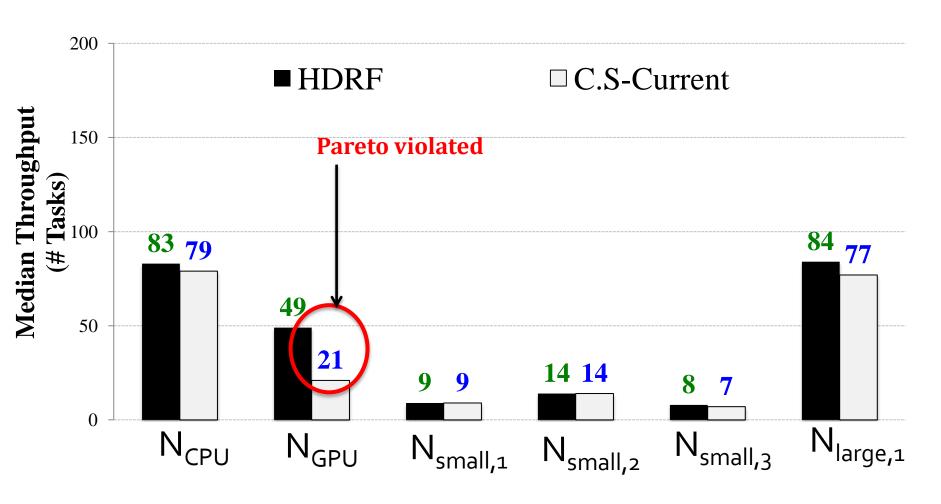
 50 EC2 nodes having 6 GB memory, 4 CPUs and 1 GPU each.

- Evaluated against
  - Hadoop Capacity Scheduler (not Pareto)
  - Hadoop Capacity Scheduler (Pareto added)
- Input: A 100-job schedule containing a mix of large and small jobs

# Hierarchy Used

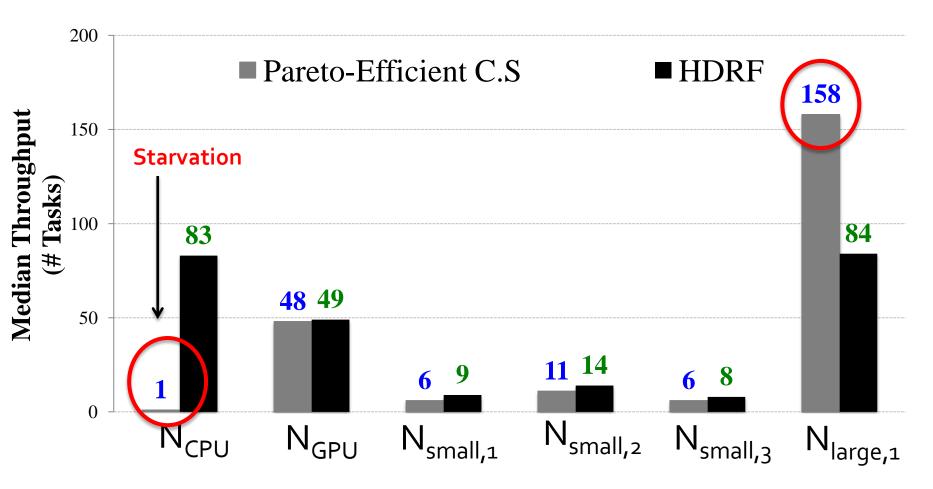


### Throughput



**Leaf Nodes** 

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### Conclusion

Hierarchical scheduling policies important

- Hierarchical + Multi-resource = Challenging
  - Starvation, or violation of share guarantees

- Proposed *H-DRF*
  - Generalization of DRF to hierarchies
  - Guards against starvation
  - Provides hierarchical share guarantee

# Thank you

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C(n_i), which also has a task in its subtree that can be scheduled using W
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