

# Managing and Allocating Cluster Resources using Capacity Scheduler

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## Resource Scheduling and Management

You can manage resources for the applications running on your cluster by allocating resources through scheduling, limiting CPU usage by configuring cgroups, and partitioning the cluster into subclusters using partitions, and launching applications on Docker containers.

The *CapacityScheduler* is responsible for scheduling. The *CapacityScheduler* is used to run Hadoop applications as a shared, multi-tenant cluster in an operator-friendly manner while maximizing the throughput and the utilization of the cluster.

The *ResourceCalculator* is part of the YARN *CapacityScheduler*. If you have only one type of resource, typically a CPU virtual core (vcore), use the *DefaultResourceCalculator*. If you have multiple resource types, use the *DominantResourceCalculator*.

### YARN resource allocation of multiple resource-types

You can manage your cluster capacity using the Capacity Scheduler in YARN. You can use the Capacity Scheduler's *DefaultResourceCalculator* or the *DominantResourceCalculator* to allocate available resources.

The fundamental unit of scheduling in YARN is the queue. The capacity of each queue specifies the percentage of cluster resources available for applications submitted to the queue. You can set up queues in a hierarchy that reflects the database structure, resource requirements, and access restrictions required by the organizations, groups, and individuals who use the cluster resources.

You can use the default resource calculator when you want the resource calculator to consider only the available memory for resource calculation. When you use the default resource calculator (*DefaultResourceCalculator*), resources are allocated based on the available memory.

If you have multiple resource types, use the dominant resource calculator (*DominantResourceCalculator*) to enable CPU and memory scheduling. The dominant resource calculator is based on the Dominant Resource Fairness (DRF) model of resource allocation. DRF is designed to fairly distribute CPU, and memory resources among different types of processes in a mixed-workload cluster.

For example, if User A runs CPU-heavy tasks and User B runs memory-heavy tasks, the DRF allocates more CPU and less memory to the tasks run by User A, and allocates less CPU and more memory to the tasks run by User B. In a single resource case, in which all jobs are requesting the same resources, the DRF reduces to max-min fairness for that resource.

### Hierarchical queue characteristics

You must consider the various characteristics of the Capacity Scheduler hierarchical queues before setting them up.

There are two types of queues: parent queues and leaf queues.

- Parent queues enable the management of resources across organizations and sub- organizations. They can contain more parent queues or leaf queues. They do not themselves accept any application submissions directly.
- Leaf queues are the queues that live under a parent queue and accept applications. Leaf queues do not have any child queues, and therefore do not have any configuration property that ends with ".queues".
- There is a top-level parent root queue that does not belong to any organization, but instead represents the cluster itself.
- Using parent and leaf queues, administrators can specify capacity allocations for various organizations and sub-organizations.

## Scheduling among queues

Hierarchical queues ensure that guaranteed resources are first shared among the sub-queues of an organization before any remaining free resources are shared with queues belonging to other organizations. This enables each organization to have control over the utilization of its guaranteed resources.

- At each level in the hierarchy, every parent queue keeps the list of its child queues in a sorted manner based on demand. The sorting of the queues is determined by the currently used fraction of each queue's capacity (or the full-path queue names if the reserved capacity of any two queues is equal).
- The root queue understands how the cluster capacity needs to be distributed among the first level of parent queues and invokes scheduling on each of its child queues.
- Every parent queue applies its capacity constraints to all of its child queues.
- Leaf queues hold the list of active applications (potentially from multiple users) and schedules resources in a FIFO (First In, First Out) manner, while at the same time adhering to capacity limits specified for individual users.

## Application reservations

For a resource-intensive application, the Capacity Scheduler creates a reservation on a cluster node if the node's free capacity can meet the particular application's requirements. This ensures that the resources are utilized only by that particular application until the application reservation is fulfilled.

The Capacity Scheduler is responsible for matching free resources in the cluster with the resource requirements of an application. Many times, a scheduling cycle occurs such that even though there are free resources on a node, they are not sized large enough to satisfy the application waiting for a resource at the head of the queue. This typically happens with high-memory applications whose resource demand for Containers is much larger than the typical application running in the cluster. This mismatch can lead to starving these resource-intensive applications.

The Capacity Scheduler reservations feature addresses this issue as follows:

- When a node reports in with a finished Container, the Capacity Scheduler selects an appropriate queue to utilize the newly available resources based on capacity and maximum capacity settings.
- Within that selected queue, the Capacity Scheduler looks at the applications in a FIFO order along with the user limits. Once a needy application is found, the Capacity Scheduler tries to see if the requirements of that application can be met by the node's free capacity.
- If there is a size mismatch, the Capacity Scheduler immediately creates a reservation on the node for the application's required Container.
- Once a reservation is made for an application on a node, those resources are not used by the Capacity Scheduler for any other queue, application, or Container until the application reservation is fulfilled.
- The node on which a reservation is made reports back when enough Containers finish running such that the total free capacity on the node now matches the reservation size. When that happens, the Capacity Scheduler marks the reservation as fulfilled, removes it, and allocates a Container on the node.
- In some cases another node fulfills the resources required by the application, so the application no longer needs the reserved capacity on the first node. In this situation, the reservation is simply cancelled.

To prevent the number of reservations from growing in an unbounded manner, and to avoid any potential scheduling deadlocks, the Capacity Scheduler maintains only one active reservation at a time on each node.

## Resource distribution workflow

During scheduling, queues at any level in the hierarchy are sorted in the order of their current used capacity, and the available resources are distributed among them starting with queues that are currently the most under-served.

With respect to capacities alone, the resource scheduling has the following workflow:

- The more under-served a queue is, the higher the priority it receives during resource allocation. The most under-served queue is the queue with the least ratio of used capacity as compared to the total cluster capacity.
  - The used capacity of any parent queue is defined as the aggregate sum of used capacity of all of its descendant queues, recursively.
  - The used capacity of a leaf queue is the amount of resources used by the allocated Containers of all of the applications running in that queue.
- Once it is decided to give a parent queue the currently available free resources, further scheduling is done recursively to determine which child queue gets to use the resources -- based on the previously described concept of used capacities.
- Further scheduling happens inside each leaf queue to allocate resources to applications in a FIFO order.
  - This is also dependent on locality, user level limits, and application limits.
  - Once an application within a leaf queue is chosen, scheduling also happens within the application. Applications may have different priorities of resource requests.
- To ensure elasticity, capacity that is configured but not utilized by any queue due to lack of demand is automatically assigned to the queues that are in need of resources.

### Resource Distribution Process in Relative Mode - Example

To understand the resource distribution workflow, consider the example of a 100-node cluster, each with 10 GB of memory allocated for YARN containers, for a total cluster capacity of 1000 GB (1 TB).

For example, in the Relative allocation mode, the "engineering" organization is assigned 60% of the cluster capacity, that is, an absolute capacity of 600 GB. Similarly, the "support" organization is assigned 100 GB, and the "marketing" organization gets 300 GB.

Under the "engineering" organization, capacity is distributed between the "development" team and the "qa" team in a 1:4 ratio. So "development" gets 120 GB, and 480 GB is assigned to "qa".

Now consider the following timeline of events:

- Initially, the entire "engineering" queue is free with no applications running, while the "support" and "marketing" queues are utilizing their full capacities.
- Users Sid and Hitesh first submit applications to the "development" leaf queue. Their applications are elastic and can run with either all of the resources available in the cluster, or with a subset of cluster resources (depending upon the state of the resource-usage).
  - Even though the "development" queue is allocated 120 GB, Sid and Hitesh are each allowed to occupy 120 GB, for a total of 240 GB.
  - This can happen despite the fact that the "development" queue is configured to be run with a capacity of 120 GB. Capacity Scheduler allows elastic sharing of cluster resources for better utilization of available cluster resources. Since there are no other users in the "engineering" queue, Sid and Hitesh are allowed to use the available free resources.
- Next, users Jian, Zhijie and Xuan submit more applications to the "development" leaf queue. Even though each is restricted to 120 GB, the overall used capacity in the queue becomes 600 GB -- essentially taking over all of the resources allocated to the "qa" leaf queue.
- User Gupta now submits an application to the "qa" queue. With no free resources available in the cluster, the user's application must wait.
  - Given that the "development" queue is utilizing all of the available cluster resources, Gupta may or may not be able to immediately get back the guaranteed capacity of his "qa" queue -- depending upon whether or not preemption is enabled.
- As the applications of Sid, Hitesh, Jian, Zhijie, and Xuan finish running and resources become available, the newly available Containers will be allocated to Gupta's application.

This will continue until the cluster stabilizes at the intended 1:4 resource usage ratio for the "development" and "qa" queues.

From this example, you can see that it is possible for abusive users to submit applications continuously, and thereby lock out other queues from resource allocation until Containers finish running or get preempted. To avoid this scenario, Capacity Scheduler supports limits on the elastic growth of any queue. For example, you can restrict the "development" queue from monopolizing the "engineering" queue capacity by setting the maximum capacity property.

To set the maximum capacity property based on this example, perform the following:

1. In Cloudera Manager, select Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click on the three vertical dots on the development queue and select Edit Child Queues option.
3. Enter 40 in the Configured Value field.
4. Click Save.

Once this is set, users of the "development" queue can still go beyond their capacity of 120 GB, but they will not be allocated any more than 40% of the "engineering" parent queue's capacity (that is, 40% of 600 GB = 240 GB).

The capacity and maximum-capacity properties can be used to control sharing and elasticity across the organizations and sub-organizations utilizing a YARN cluster. Administrators should balance these properties to avoid strict limits that result in a loss of utilization, and to avoid excessive cross-organization sharing.

## Resource allocation overview

You can allocate resources to queues by using either the Absolute mode, in which the actual units of vCores and memory resources are allocated, the Relative mode, in which resources are allocated as a percentage of total resources, or in the Weight mode, in which resources are allocated as a fraction of total resources.

- Relative mode: In the YARN Queue Manager UI, the capacity value is shown as a percentage. When editing queue resources, capacities are specified in percentages. The capacity allocated to a set of sibling queues must equal 100% of the parent.
- Absolute mode: In the YARN Queue Manager UI, the capacity value is shown in units. When editing queue resources, a separate tab is displayed for each resource type. The total allocated capacity must be less than or equal to the capacity of the parent.
- Weight mode: In the YARN Queue Manager UI, the capacity value is shown as a numerical value and is suffixed with "w". For example, 5w. When editing queue resources, capacities are specified in weights or fractions of total resources. The resources are divided based on how the queue's weight relates to the sum of configured weights under the parent.



**Note:** If you have an existing managed queue in Relative mode, then conversion to Weight mode is not allowed. You must delete the managed parent queue and then convert from Relative mode to Weight mode.



**Note:** YARN Queue Manager does not support mixed allocation of resources. That is, some queues allocated using percentages and some queues using weights.

### Related Information

[Change resource allocation mode](#)

[Add queues using YARN Queue Manager UI](#)

[Configure cluster capacity with queues](#)

## Use CPU scheduling

Cgroups with CPU scheduling helps you effectively manage mixed workloads.



**Note:** You should use CPU scheduling only in a Linux environment, because there is no isolation mechanism (cgroups equivalent) for Windows.

### MapReduce jobs only

If you primarily run MapReduce jobs on your cluster, enabling CPU scheduling does not change performance much. The dominant resource for MapReduce is memory, so the DRF scheduler continues to balance MapReduce jobs in a manner similar to the default resource calculator. In the case of a single resource, the DRF reduces to max-min fairness for that resource.

### Mixed workloads

An example of a mixed workload is a cluster that runs both MapReduce and Storm on YARN. MapReduce is not CPU-constrained, but Storm on YARN is; its containers require more CPU than memory. As you add Storm jobs along with MapReduce jobs, the DRF scheduler tries to balance memory and CPU resources, but you might see some performance degradation in as a result. As you add more CPU-intensive Storm jobs, individual jobs start to take longer to run as the cluster CPU resources are consumed.

To solve this problem, you can use cgroups along with CPU scheduling. Using cgroups provides isolation for CPU-intensive processes such as Storm on YARN, thereby enabling you to predictably plan and constrain the CPU-intensive Storm containers.

You can also use partitions in conjunction with CPU scheduling and cgroups to restrict Storm on YARN jobs to a subset of cluster nodes.

## Configure CPU scheduling and isolation

You can configure CPU scheduling on your cluster to allocate the best possible nodes having the required CPU resources for application containers.

### Procedure

1. In Cloudera Manager, select the YARN service.
2. Click the Configuration tab.
3. Search for Resource Calculator Class.
4. Select the `org.apache.hadoop.yarn.util.resource.DominantResourceCalculator` option.
5. Search for `yarn.nodemanager.resource.cpu-vcores` and set the number of vcores to match the number of physical CPU cores on the NodeManager host by providing the number of physical cores.

### Related Information

[Limit CPU usage with Cgroups](#)

[Using GPU on YARN](#)

[Enable Cgroups](#)

## Use CPU scheduling with distributed shell

You can run the distributed shell by specifying resources other than memory and vCores. The following is an example for distributed shell but you can use CPU scheduling with other frameworks as well.

### Procedure

- Use the following command to allocate two cores for two containers:

```
yarn jar </opt/cloudera/parcels/<CDH-version>/lib/hadoop-yarn/hadoop-yarn-
applications-distributedshell.jar> \
    -jar </opt/cloudera/parcels/<CDH-version>/lib/hadoop-ya
rn/hadoop-yarn-applications-distributedshell.jar> \
    -shell_command "sleep 120" \
    -container_resources memory-mb=3072,vcores=2 \
    -num_containers 2
```

## Use FPGA scheduling

You can use FPGA as a resource type.

A Field Programmable Gate Array (FPGA) is a card that contains a matrix of configurable logic blocks, mostly logic gates. FPGA can be reprogrammed, meaning that the interconnections among the gates and integrated devices can be re-wired. That is in contrast to a regular CPU, as the internal wiring and connections inside a CPU cannot be changed: only the software that runs on it can be changed, but the hardware is always the same. FPGA, on the other hand, allows changes on a circuit level.

An FPGA device does not contain only rewirable logic gates (like AND or OR gates), but also memory, DSP, chip, external connectors and more.

### Programming FPGAs

FPGAs can be programmed in various ways. The most popular methods are VHDL and Verilog.

Intel FPGA cards allow the users to upload so-called OpenCL kernels to perform certain computations simultaneously and therefore rapidly. OpenCL is a framework and a set of standards that is currently developed and maintained by the Khronos Group. For more information, see [Khronos' OpenCL documentation](#).

## Configure FPGA scheduling and isolation

You can enable and configure FPGA as a resource type using Cloudera Manager.

### Before you begin

Ensure that the FPGA Runtime or SDK is installed in such a way that the `aocl` command is executable by the NodeManager. For more information about how to install FPGA, see [Intel Acceleration Stack Quick Start Guide for Intel Programmable Acceleration Card with Intel Arria 10 GX FPGA](#).

### Procedure

1. In Cloudera Manager, select the YARN service.
2. Click the Configuration tab.
3. Select FPGA Management category under Filters.
4. Find the Enable FPGA Usage property and select the NodeManagers that can provide FPGA devices to YARN applications that request them.
5. Use the Path to FPGA (aocl) tool property to specify the full local path to the Intel aocl tool installed on the applicable nodes.
6. Use the Allowed FPGA devices to specify the FPGA devices which can be managed by YARN NodeManager.

Valid values are the following:

- Auto: Default value. All available FPGA devices are allowed.
  - Comma separated list: List the minor number of the allowed FPGAs. For example: 0,1
7. Use the List of available FPGA devices property to manually specify the available FPGA devices.

Provide the value in the following format: `deviceA/major_number:minor_number,deviceB/major_number:minor_number`

For example: `acl0/238:0,acl1/238:1`

The acl numbers are displayed using the `aocl diagnose` command.

The major and minor device numbers can usually be determined by listing the device files under `/dev`. Every card has a corresponding device file. The `ls -l` command shows both numbers.

8. Use the FPGA device major number property to provide the major device number of the FPGA card.

This property is used in the `container-executor.cfg` file.



**Important:** Only one major number can be specified for each node, meaning that a node can have only one kind of FPGA card.

9. Use the FPGA initializer script property to provide the path to the shell script that sets up the environment for the FPGA device.

The initializer script sets up various environment variables, and sources other scripts allowing the `aocl` tool to run properly. The contents of this script depends heavily on the installation. For example, in case of Intel Processing Accelerator Card (PAC), it is necessary to source `init_env.sh` and `init_opencl.sh`.

The following environment variables are possibly required to be exported:

- `AOCL_BOARD_PACKAGE_ROOT`
- `CL_CONTEXT_COMPILER_MODE_INTELFPGA`

Please consult the vendor's documentation for further details.

10. Click Save Changes.

11. Restart the affected NodeManagers.

## Results

FPGA support is enabled and configured.

## What to do next

Request FPGA resource by specifying `yarn.io/fpga` as a resource.

## Use FPGA with distributed shell

Once FPGA support is enabled, an FPGA resource can be requested by specifying `yarn.io/fpga` as a resource.

The following is a distributed shell example:

```
yarn jar /path/to/hadoop-yarn-applications-distributedshell.jar
-jar /path/to/hadoop-yarn-applications-distributedshell.jar
-shell_command "date"
-container_resources memory-mb=2048,vcores=1,yarn.io/fpga=1
-num_containers 1
```

This command runs the `date` command on a node which has an FPGA card installed.

## Limit CPU usage with Cgroups

You can use `cgroups` to limit CPU usage in a Hadoop Cluster.

You can use `cgroups` to isolate CPU-heavy processes in a Hadoop cluster. If you are using CPU Scheduling, you should also use `cgroups` to constrain and manage CPU processes. If you are not using CPU Scheduling, do not enable `cgroups`.

When you enable CPU Scheduling, queues are still used to allocate cluster resources, but both CPU and memory are taken into consideration using a scheduler that utilizes Dominant Resource Fairness (DRF). In the DRF model, resource allocation takes into account the dominant resource required by a process. CPU-heavy processes (such as Storm-on-YARN) receive more CPU and less memory. Memory-heavy processes (such as MapReduce) receive more memory and less CPU. The DRF scheduler is designed to fairly distribute memory and CPU resources among different types of processes in a mixed- workload cluster.

`Cgroups` compliments CPU Scheduling by providing CPU resource isolation. It enables you to set limits on the amount of CPU resources granted to individual YARN containers, and also lets you set a limit on the total amount of CPU resources used by YARN processes.

Cgroups represents one aspect of YARN resource management capabilities that includes CPU Scheduling, partitions, archival storage, and memory as storage. If CPU Scheduling is used, cgroups should be used along with it to constrain and manage CPU processes.

### Related Information

[Configure CPU scheduling and isolation](#)

## Use Cgroups

You can use strict cgroups CPU limits to constrain CPU processes in mixed workload clusters.

One example of a mixed workload is a cluster that runs both MapReduce and Storm-on-YARN. MapReduce is not CPU-constrained (MapReduce containers do not ask for much CPU). Storm-on-YARN is CPU-constrained: its containers ask for more CPU than memory. As you start adding Storm jobs along with MapReduce jobs, the DRF scheduler attempts to balance memory and CPU resources, but as more CPU-intensive Storm jobs are added, they may begin to take up the majority of the cluster CPU resources.

You can use cgroups along with CPU scheduling to help manage mixed workloads. cgroups provide isolation for CPU-heavy processes such as Storm-on-YARN, thereby enabling you to predictably plan and constrain the CPU-intensive Storm containers.

When you enable strict cgroup CPU limits, each resource gets only what it asks for, even if there is extra CPU available. This is useful for scenarios involving charge-backs or strict SLA enforcement, where you always need to know exactly what percentage of CPU is being used.

Also, enabling strict CPU limits would make job performance predictable, whereas without setting strict limits a CPU-intensive job would run faster when the cluster was not under heavy use, but slower when more jobs were running in the cluster. Strict CPU limits would therefore also be useful for benchmarking.

You can also use partitions in conjunction with cgroups and CPU scheduling to restrict Storm-on-YARN jobs to a subset of cluster nodes.

If you are using cgroups and want more information on CPU performance, you can review the statistics available in the `/cgroup/cpu/yarn/cpu.stat` file.

## Enable Cgroups

You can enable CPU Scheduling to enable cgroups. You must configure certain properties in `yarn-site.xml` on the ResourceManager and NodeManager hosts to enable cgroups.

### About this task

cgroups is a Linux kernel feature. cgroups is supported on the following Linux operating systems:

- CentOS 6.9, 7.3
- RHEL 6.9, 7.3
- SUSE 12
- Ubuntu 16

At this time there is no cgroups equivalent for Windows. cgroups are not enabled by default on CDP. cgroups require that the CDP cluster be Kerberos enabled.



#### Important:

The `yarn.nodemanager.linux-container-executor.cgroups.mount` property must be set to false. Setting this value to true is not currently supported.

## Procedure

### Enable cgroups

The following commands must be run on every reboot of the NodeManager hosts to set up the cgroup hierarchy. Note that operating systems use different mount points for the cgroup interface. Replace `/sys/fs/cgroup` with your operating system equivalent.

```
mkdir -p /sys/fs/cgroup/cpu/yarn
chown -R yarn /sys/fs/cgroup/cpu/yarn
mkdir -p /sys/fs/cgroup/memory/yarn
chown -R yarn /sys/fs/cgroup/memory/yarn
mkdir -p /sys/fs/cgroup/blkio/yarn
chown -R yarn /sys/fs/cgroup/blkio/yarn
mkdir -p /sys/fs/cgroup/net_cls/yarn
chown -R yarn /sys/fs/cgroup/net_cls/yarn
mkdir -p /sys/fs/cgroup/devices/yarn
chown -R yarn /sys/fs/cgroup/devices/yarn
```

1. In Cloudera Manager, select the YARN service.
2. Click the Configuration tab.
3. Search for Always Use Linux Container Executor and select YARN-1 (Service-Wide) option.
4. Search for NodeManager Advanced Configuration and set the below property in the NodeManager Advanced Configuration Snippet (Safety Valve) for yarn-site.xml field.

```
Name: yarn.nodemanager.linux-container-executor.group
Value: hadoop
```

5. Search for CGroups and select YARN-1 (Service-Wide) option in the Use CGroups for Resource Management field.
6. Search for CGroups Hierarchy and set the NodeManager Default Group value to `/hadoop-yarn`.
7. Search for NodeManager Advanced Configuration and set the below property in the NodeManager Advanced Configuration Snippet (Safety Valve) for yarn-site.xml field.

```
Name: yarn.nodemanager.linux-container-executor.cgroups.mount
Value: false
```

```
Name: yarn.nodemanager.linux-container-executor.cgroups.mount-path
Value: /sys/fs/cgroup
```

8. (Optional) Set the percentage of CPU to be used by YARN. Search for Containers CPU Limit and set the value in the Containers CPU Limit Percentage field.  
Set the percentage of CPU that can be allocated for YARN containers. In most cases, the default value of 100% should be used. If you have another process that needs to run on a node that also requires CPU resources, you can lower the percentage of CPU allocated to YARN to free up resources for the other process.
9. (Optional) Set flexible or strict CPU limits. Search for Strict CGroup Resource Usage and select the NodeManager Default Group field.

CPU jobs are constrained with CPU scheduling and cgroups enabled, but by default these are flexible limits. If spare CPU cycles are available, containers are allowed to exceed the CPU limits set for them. With flexible limits,

the amount of CPU resources available for containers to use can vary based on cluster usage -- the amount of CPU available in the cluster at any given time.

You can use cgroups to set strict limits on CPU usage. When strict limits are enabled, each process receives only the amount of CPU resources it requests. With strict limits, a CPU process will receive the same amount of cluster resources every time it runs.

Strict limits are not enabled (set to false) by default.



**Note:** Irrespective of whether this property is true or false, at no point will total container CPU usage exceed the limit set in `yarn.nodemanager.resource.percentage-physical-cpu-limit`.



**Note:** CPU resource isolation leverages advanced features in the Linux kernel. At this time, setting `yarn.nodemanager.linux-container-executor.cgroups.strict-resource-usage` to true is not recommended due to known kernel panics. In addition, with some kernels, setting `yarn.nodemanager.resource.percentage-physical-cpu-limit` to a value less than 100 can result in kernel panics. If you require either of these features, you must perform scale testing to determine if the in-use kernel and workloads are stable. As a starting point, Linux kernel version 4.8.1 works with these features. However, testing the features with the desired workloads is very important.

### Related Information

[Configure CPU scheduling and isolation](#)

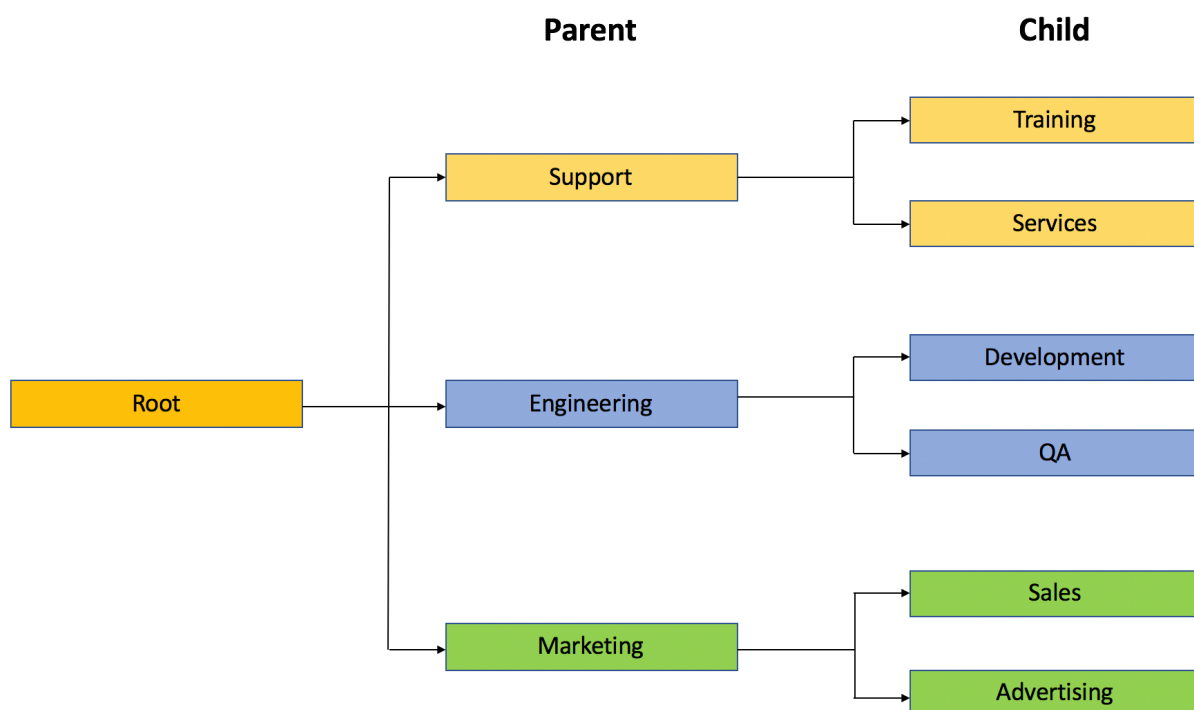
## Manage Queues

YARN Queue Manager is the queue management graphical user interface for Apache Hadoop YARN Capacity Scheduler. You can use YARN Queue Manager UI to manage your cluster capacity using queues to balance resource requirements of multiple applications from various users. Using YARN Queue Manager UI, you can set scheduler level properties and queue level properties.

You can view, sort, search, and filter queues using YARN Queue Manager UI. Queue Manager stores history of previous changes and provides the ability to view the changes of each version in the Overview and Scheduler Configuration tabs. The previous versions will be in the read-only mode and you must select the latest version to make changes.

The fundamental unit of scheduling in YARN is a queue. The capacity of each queue specifies the percentage of cluster resources that are available for applications submitted to the queue. Capacity Scheduler queues can be set up in a hierarchy that reflects the database structure, resource requirements, and access restrictions required by the various organizations, groups, and users that utilize cluster resources.

For example, suppose that a company has three organizations: Engineering, Support, and Marketing. The Engineering organization has two sub-teams: Development and QA. The Support organization has two sub-teams: Training and Services. And finally, the Marketing organization is divided into Sales and Advertising. The following image shows the queue hierarchy for this example:



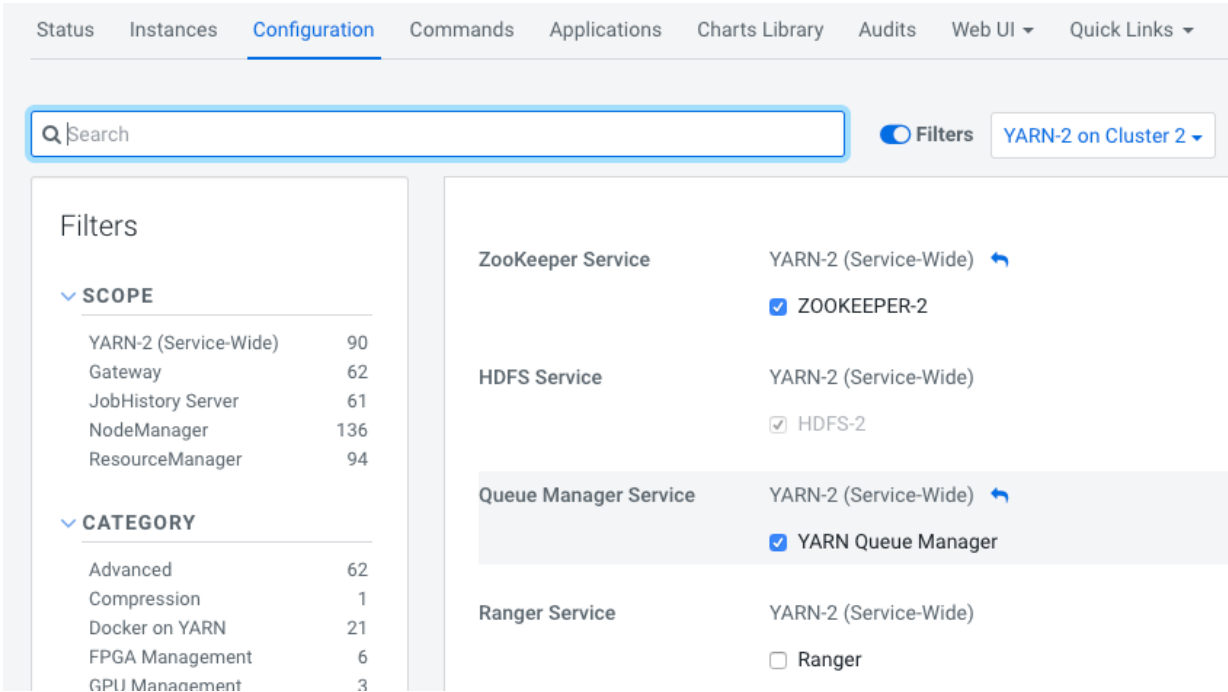
Each child queue is tied to its parent queue and the top-level "support", "engineering", and "marketing" queues would be tied to the "root" queue.

## Prerequisite

If you add the YARN Queue Manager service to the cluster after installing the cluster, you must configure the YARN Queue Manager dependency in the Yarn Configuration tab.

1. In Cloudera Manager, click the Cluster > YARN service.
2. Click the Configuration tab.
3. Search for Queue Manager service.

- 4. Select YARN Queue Manager checkbox.



- 5. Click Save Changes.
- 6. Restart YARN and YARN Queue Manager services.

### Add queues using YARN Queue Manager UI

You can add queues to the predefined queue called root from the Yarn Queue Manager UI. The Capacity Scheduler has a predefined queue called root. All queues in the system are children of the root queue. Each child queue is tied to its parent queue, but children queues do not inherit properties directly from the parent queue unless otherwise specified.

Procedure

- 1. In Cloudera Manager, select Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service.

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- 2. Click on the three vertical dots on the root and select the Add Child Queue option.

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default 3 Queues in 3 Levels (Memory: 16.0 GiB, vCores: 16)

LEVEL 1 (1)

LEVEL 2 (1)

100%

root

100%

✓ default

View/Edit Queue Properties

Edit Child Queues

Add Child Queue

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3. Enter the information based on the Relative or Absolute allocation mode.

- Absolute allocation mode: Enter the name of the queue and units of memory in MiB in the Memory tab. Enter the number of cores in the vCores tab.

**root**
✕

Memory: 16,384 MiB; vCores: 16

Memory
vCores ⓘ

| CONFIGURED<br>MEMORY                                                                                                           | MAXIMUM<br>MEMORY                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                     |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">16384</div> <div style="margin-left: 5px;">MiB</div> | <div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">16384</div> <div style="margin-left: 5px;">MiB</div> | <div style="color: #4CAF50; font-weight: bold;">✓ default</div> <div style="font-size: 0.9em;">Memory: 16,384 MiB; vCores: 16</div> |
| <div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">5000</div> <div style="margin-left: 5px;">MiB</div>  | <div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">16384</div> <div style="margin-left: 5px;">MiB</div> | <div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Support</div>                                             |

ⓘ

Additional queue properties can be set later by clicking **View/Edit Queue Properties** on the new queue's menu.

Total Configured Memory: **21,384 MiB**, Delta to be adjusted: **-5,000 MiB**

Total Configured vCores: **20**, Delta to be adjusted: **-4**

Cancel

Save



**Note:** When decreasing a queue's configured resource capacity to allocate resources for the new sibling queue you must update resource capacities starting from the lowest queue level. This is because a parent queue's capacity cannot be decreased until the total resource capacity of all of its child queues is reduced. You might have to change both the minimum and maximum values.

- Relative allocation mode: Enter the name of the queue, Configured Capacity, and Maximum Capacity values for the queue.

root

Memory: 16.0 GiB; vCores: 16

| CONFIGURED CAPACITY          | MAXIMUM CAPACITY              |                                                              |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| <div>40<span> </span>%</div> | <div>100<span> </span>%</div> | <div>✔ default</div> <div>Memory: 16.0 GiB; vCores: 16</div> |
| <div>60<span> </span>%</div> | <div>100<span> </span>%</div> | <div>Support</div>                                           |

Additional queue properties can be set later by clicking **View/Edit Queue Properties** on the new queue's menu.

Total Configured Capacity: 100%

Cancel

Save

- Weight allocation mode: Enter the name of the queue and the fraction of the resource of the resource in the Configured Weight for the queue.

root

Memory: 28.0 GiB; vCores: 8

| CONFIGURED WEIGHT | MAXIMUM CAPACITY |                                                             |
|-------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 w               | 100 %            | <div>✓ default</div> <div>Memory: 28.0 GiB; vCores: 8</div> |
| 1 w               | 100 %            | <div>Development</div>                                      |

*i* Additional queue properties can be set later by clicking **View/Edit Queue Properties** on the new queue's menu.

Cancel

Save

#### 4. Click Save.

You can continue to add more parent and child queues by following the same steps.

#### Related Information

[Resource allocation overview](#)

[Change resource allocation mode](#)

## Configure cluster capacity with queues

You can manage your cluster capacity using queues to balance resource requirements of multiple applications from various users.

You can use the Capacity Scheduler to share cluster resources using FIFO (first in, first out) queues.

You can configure queues either by specifying the percentage of the capacity using the Relative mode or the actual units of vCores and memory using the Absolute mode or the fraction of the total capacity. If you are upgrading your cluster, Weight mode is the default mode. If you are installing and configuring the cluster freshly, Relative mode is the default mode. You can change the allocation mode to the Absolute mode.

You can submit applications to different queues at multiple levels in the queue hierarchy if the capacity is available on the nodes in the cluster. Because total cluster capacity can vary, capacity configuration values are expressed using percentages, units, or fractions.

#### Example – Configuring capacity using the Relative mode

You can specify the capacity property to allocate a floating-point percentage value of cluster capacity to a queue. The following configurations divide the cluster resources between the "engineering", "support", and "marketing" organizations in a 6:1:3 ratio (60%, 10%, and 30%).

To specify the capacity property based on the above example, perform the following:

1. In Cloudera Manager, select Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click on the three vertical dots on the root and select Edit Child Queues option.
3. Enter the Configured Capacity of "engineering" to 60, "support" to 10, and "marketing" to 30.
4. Click Save.

### Example – Configuring capacity using the Absolute mode

You can specify the capacity in units of memory in MiB and the number of cores to a queue. If the total units of memory is 16384 MiB and 16 cores, and the the cluster resources between the "engineering", "support", and "marketing" organizations are allocated as follows:

| Organization | Memory | vCores |
|--------------|--------|--------|
| engineering  | 9830   | 10     |
| support      | 1638   | 2      |
| marketing    | 4916   | 4      |

To specify the capacity property based on the above example, perform the following:

1. In Cloudera Manager, select Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click on the three vertical dots on the root and select Edit Child Queues option.
3. Enter the Configured Memory of "engineering" to 9830, "support" to 1638, and "marketing" to 4916.
4. Enter the Configured vCores of "engineering" to 10, "support" to 2, and "marketing" to 4.
5. Click Save.

### Example – Configuring capacity using the Weight mode

You can specify the capacity in fractions of total resources. The resources are divided based on how the queue's weight relates to the sum of configured weights under the parent. The following configurations divide the cluster resources between the "engineering", "support", and "marketing" organizations in 6:1:3 (6/10, 1/10, and 3/10) fraction of total resources.

To specify the capacity property based on the above example, perform the following:

1. In Cloudera Manager, select Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click on the three vertical dots on the root and select Edit Child Queues option.
3. Enter the Configured Weight of "engineering" to 6, "support" to 1, and "marketing" to 3.
4. Click Save.

### Related Information

[Resource allocation overview](#)

## Change resource allocation mode

You can change the resource allocation mode from the root queue by editing the queue properties from the Yarn Queue Manager UI. The Relative resource allocation mode is the default allocation mode. You can specify the actual units of vCores and memory resources by using the Absolute allocation mode or specify a percentage of total resources using the Relative allocation mode.

**Procedure**

1. In Cloudera Manager, select Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click on the three vertical dots on the root and select View/Edit Queue Properties option.
3. In the Queue Properties dialog-box, select the resource allocation mode.

**Note:**

- If you have an existing managed queue in the Relative mode, then conversion to Weight mode is not allowed. You must delete the managed parent queue before proceeding with the conversion from Relative to Weight mode. In the Weight mode, only a parent queue can be converted into a managed parent queue.
  - In this release, due to a known issue, you cannot change the allocation mode from Weight mode to Absolute mode or from Absolute mode to Weight mode.
4. Click Save.
  5. Enter yes in the Switch Allocation Mode dialog box and click OK. Queue Manager calculates and updates the resource allocations for all the existing queues. If required, you can further [modify the resource allocation](#).
  6. Click Save.

**Related Information**

[Resource allocation overview](#)

[Add queues using YARN Queue Manager UI](#)

**Start and stop queues**

Queues in YARN can be in two states: RUNNING or STOPPED. A RUNNING state indicates that a queue can accept application submissions, and a STOPPED queue does not accept application submissions. The default state of any configured queue is RUNNING.

In Capacity Scheduler, parent queues and leaf queues can be stopped. For an application to be accepted at any leaf queue, all the queues in the hierarchy all the way up to the root queue must be running. This means that if a parent queue is stopped, all of the descendant queues in that hierarchy are inactive, even if their own state is RUNNING.

**To stop a queue:**

1. In Cloudera Manager, select Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click on the three vertical dots on the queue and select Stop Queue .
3. You will be prompted for a confirmation. Click OK to stop the queue.

### To start a queue:

1. In Cloudera Manager, select Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click on the three vertical dots on the queue and select Start Queue .
3. You will be prompted for a confirmation. Click OK to start the queue.

Administrators can use the ability to stop and drain applications in a queue for a number of reasons, such as when decommissioning a queue and migrating its users to other queues. Administrators can stop queues at run-time, so that while current applications run to completion, no new applications are accepted. Existing applications can continue until they finish running, and thus the queue can be drained gracefully without any end-user impact.

## Delete queues

You must first stop the queue before deleting the queue. You can delete a single queue and also parent queue and its children if all the queues in the hierarchy are stopped.

In Capacity Scheduler, parent queues, child queues, and the root queue can all be stopped. For an application to be accepted at any child queue, all the queues in the hierarchy all the way up to the root queue must be running. This means that if a parent queue is stopped, all of the descendant queues in that hierarchy are inactive, even if their own state is RUNNING.



**Note:** If the queue is associated with one or more partitions, you must first set the partition capacity to zero using Edit Child Queue for that queue for all the partitions before you delete the queue.

1. In Cloudera Manager, select Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click on the three vertical dots on the queue and select Delete Queue .

You can use the Delete Queues and its Children option to delete both parent queue and its children queues.

3. You will be prompted for a confirmation. Click OK to stop the queue.



**Note:** Queue associated with a placement rule cannot be deleted until its associated placement rule is deleted. For more information about deleting placement rules, see [Delete placement rules](#) on page 52.

## Configure Scheduler Properties at the Global Level

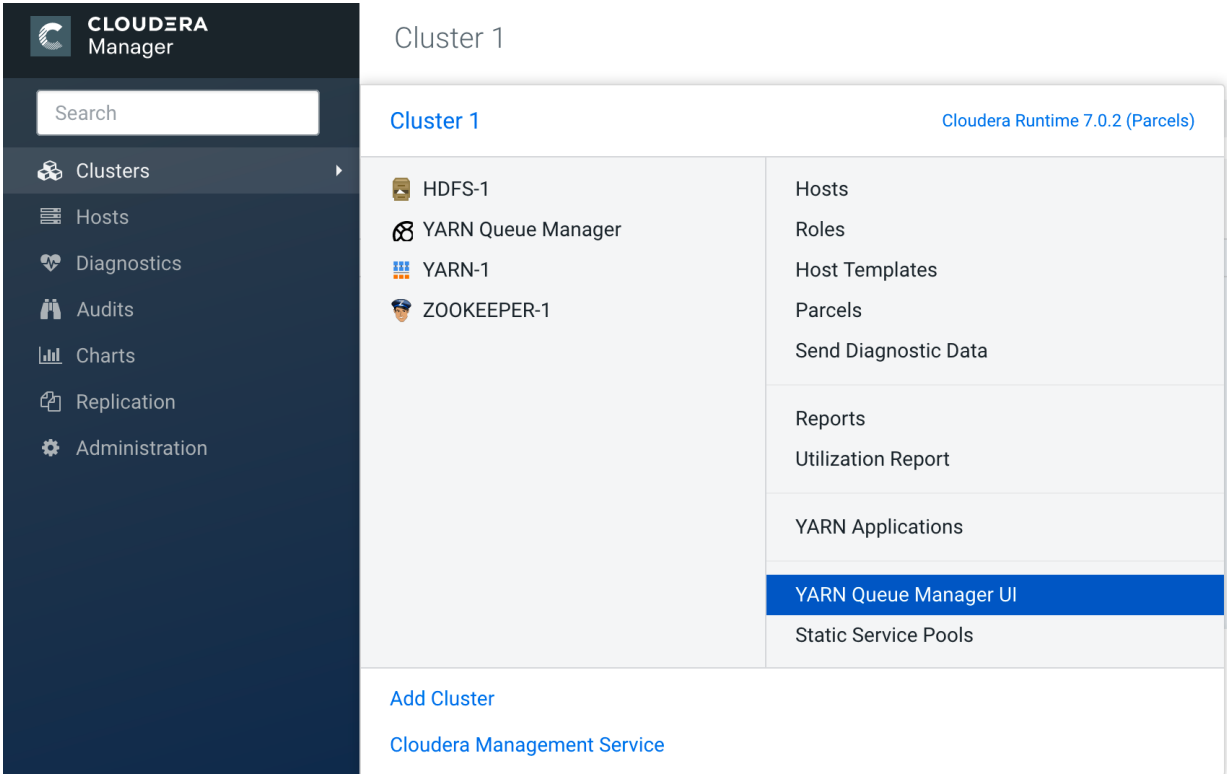
You can configure the scheduler properties to define the behaviour of all the queues. All parent and children queues inherit the properties set using the Scheduler Properties.

### About this task

In Cloudera Manager, you can use the Scheduler Configuration tab to configure the scheduler properties.

Procedure

- 1. In Cloudera Manager, select Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service.



2. In the YARN Queue Manager window, click on the Scheduler Configuration tab.

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Partition default 

3 Queues in 3 Levels  
(Memory: 16.0 GiB, vCores: 16)

LEVEL 1 (1)

LEVEL 2 (1)

100%

root

⋮

100%

✓ default

⋮

3. In the Scheduler Configuration window, enter the value of the property and click Save.

Overview
Scheduler Configuration
Placement Rules

|                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Override Queue Mappings                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Disabled<br>Overrides the default queue mappings and submits applications that are specified for queues.                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Maximum Application Priority              | <input type="text"/><br>Specifies the maximum priority for an application in the cluster.                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Maximum Applications                      | <input type="text" value="10000"/><br>Specifies the maximum number of concurrent active applications at any one time.                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Maximum AM Resource Limit                 | <input type="text" value="50"/> %<br>Specifies the maximum percentage of resources in the cluster which can be used to run application masters.                                                                                                                                                           |
| Enable Asynchronous Scheduling            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enabled<br>Enables asynchronous scheduling in Capacity Scheduler.                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Enable Monitoring Policies                | <input type="checkbox"/> Disabled<br>Set to true to enable the monitoring policies specified in the Monitoring Policies field. Required to support preemptive scheduling.                                                                                                                                 |
| Monitoring Policies                       | <input type="text"/><br>Specifies monitoring policies to use. To enable preemption, which allows higher-priority applications to preempt lower-priority applications, set the monitoring policy to 'org.apache.hadoop.yarn.server.resourcemanager.monitor.capacity.ProportionalCapacityPreemptionPolicy'. |
| Preemption: Observe Only                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Disabled<br>Set to true to run the policy but do not affect the cluster with preemption and kill events.                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Preemption: Monitoring Interval (ms)      | <input type="text" value="3000"/><br>Milliseconds between invocations of the preemption-policy. One invocation of the preemption-policy will scan all containers in the cluster.                                                                                                                          |
| Preemption: Maximum Wait Before Kill (ms) | <input type="text" value="15000"/><br>Milliseconds between the time when a container is first marked to-be preempted and the time when the preempted container is killed.                                                                                                                                 |

## Set global maximum application priority

You can use Priority Scheduling to run YARN applications at higher priority, regardless of other applications that are already running in the cluster. YARN allocates more resources to applications running at a higher priority over those running at a lower priority. Priority Scheduling enables you to set an application's priority both at the time of submission and dynamically at run time.

### About this task

Priority Scheduling works only with the FIFO (First In, First Out) ordering policy. FIFO is the default Capacity Scheduler ordering policy.

To set application priority (yarn.cluster.max-application-priority), perform the following:

### Procedure

1. In Cloudera Manager, select Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click on the Scheduler Configuration tab.
3. Enter the priority in the Maximum Application Priority text box.
4. Click Save.

## Configure preemption

Preemption allows applications of higher priority to preempt applications of lower priority.

### About this task

A scenario can occur in which a queue has a guaranteed level of cluster resources, but must wait to run applications because other queues are utilizing all of the available resources. If preemption is enabled, applications of higher priority do not have to wait because applications of lower priority have taken up the available capacity. When you enable Preemption (`yarn.resourcemanager.scheduler.monitor.enable`) underserved queues can begin to claim their allocated cluster resources almost immediately, without having to wait for other queues' applications to finish running.

You can use Priority Scheduling to run YARN applications at a higher priority, regardless of other applications that are already running in the cluster. For more information, see [Set global maximum application priority](#) on page 27.

To configure the Queue Preemption options on all queues, perform the following:

### Procedure

1. In Cloudera Manager, select the Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click the Scheduler Configuration tab.
3. Select the Enable Monitoring Policies checkbox.
4. Specify `org.apache.hadoop.yarn.server.resourcemanager.monitor.capacity.ProportionalCapacityPreemptionPolicy` as the monitoring policy to be used in the Monitoring Policies textbox.
5. Configure the required preemption properties:
  - Preemption: Observe Only - Select the checkbox to run the policy, but not affect the cluster with preemption and stop events.
  - Preemption: Monitoring Interval (ms) - The time in milliseconds between invocations of this policy. Setting this value to a longer time interval causes the Capacity Monitor to run less frequently.
  - Preemption: Maximum Wait Before Kill (ms) - The time in milliseconds between requesting a preemption from an application and stopping the container. Setting this to a higher value gives applications more time to respond to preemption requests and gracefully release containers.
  - Preemption: Total Resources Per Round - The maximum percentage of resources preempted in a single round. You can use this value to restrict the pace at which containers are reclaimed from the cluster. After computing the total desired preemption, the policy scales it back to this limit.
  - Preemption: Over Capacity Tolerance - The maximum amount of resources above the target capacity ignored for preemption. The default value is 0.1, which means that the Resource Manager starts preemption for a queue only when it goes 10% above its guaranteed capacity. This avoids resource-rotation and aggressive preemption.
  - Preemption: Maximum Termination Factor - The maximum percentage of each queue's preemption target capacity that is preempted per cycle. You can increase this value to speed up resource reclamation.
6. Click Save.

For information about configuring preemption for a specific queue, see [Configure preemption for a specific queue](#).

## Enable Intra-Queue preemption

Intra-queue preemption prevents resource imbalances in a queue.

### About this task

Intra-queue preemption helps in effective distribution of resources within a queue based on configured user limits or application priorities.

To configure Intra-Queue Preemption (`yarn.resourcemanager.monitor.capacity.preemption.intra-queue-preemption.enabled`) on all queues, perform the following:

### Procedure

1. In Cloudera Manager, select Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click on the Scheduler Configuration tab.
3. Select the Enable Intra Queue Preemption checkbox.
4. Click Save.

For information about configuring intra-queue preemption for a specific queue, see [Configure Intra-Queue Preemption for a specific queue](#).

## Set global application limits

To avoid system-thrash due to an unmanageable load -- caused either by malicious users, or by accident -- the Capacity Scheduler enables you to place a static, configurable limit on the total number of concurrently active (both running and pending) applications at any one time.

You can set the maximum applications limit (`yarn.scheduler.capacity.maximum-applications`) using this configuration property. The default value is 10,000.

1. In Cloudera Manager, select Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click on the Scheduler Configuration tab.
3. Enter the maximum application limit in the Maximum Applications text box.
4. Click Save.

For information about overriding this limit on a per-queue basis, see [Set Application limit for a specific queue](#).

## Set default Application Master resource limit

The Application Master (AM) resource limit that can be used to set a maximum percentage of cluster resources allocated specifically to Application Masters. This property has a default value of 10%, and exists to avoid cross-application deadlocks where significant resources in the cluster are occupied entirely by the Containers running ApplicationMasters.

### About this task

The Maximum AM Resource Limit (`yarn.scheduler.capacity.maximum-am-resource-percent`) property also indirectly controls the number of concurrent running applications in the cluster, with each queue limited to a number of running applications proportional to its capacity.

### Procedure

1. In Cloudera Manager, select Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click on the Scheduler Configuration tab.
3. Enter the maximum AM resource limit in the Maximum AM Resource Limit text box.

#### 4. Click Save.

For information about overriding this limit on a per-queue basis, see [Configure Application Master resource limit for a specific queue](#).

## Enable asynchronous scheduler

Asynchronous scheduler decouples the CapacityScheduler scheduling from Node Heartbeats. This improves the latency significantly.

### About this task

To enable asynchronous scheduling (`yarn.scheduler.capacity.schedule-asynchronously.enable`), perform the following:

### Procedure

1. In Cloudera Manager, select Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click on the Scheduler Configuration tab.
3. Select the Enable Asynchronous Scheduler check-box.
4. Click Save.

## Configure queue mapping to use the user name from the application tag using Cloudera Manager

You can configure queue mapping to use the user name from the application tag instead of the proxy user who submitted the job. You can add only service users like *HIVE* using the `yarn.resourcemanager.application-tag-based-placement.username.whitelist` property and not normal users.

When a user runs Hive queries, HiveServer2 submits the query in the queue mapped from an end user instead of a hive user. For example, when user *ALICE* submits a Hive query with `doAs=false` mode, job will run in YARN as hive user. If application-tag based scheduling is enabled, then the job will be placed to a target queue based on the queue mapping configuration of user *ALICE*.

For more information about queue mapping configurations, see [Manage placement rules](#). For information about Hive access, see [Apache Hive](#) documentation.

### How to configure queue mapping

1. In Cloudera Manager, select the YARN service.
2. Click the Configuration tab.
3. Search for ResourceManager. In the Filters pane, under Scope, select ResourceManager.
4. In ResourceManager Advanced Configuration Snippet (Safety Valve) for `yarn-site.xml` add the following:
  - a. Enable the application-tag-based-placement property to enable application placement based on the user ID passed using the application tags.

```
Name: yarn.resourcemanager.application-tag-based-placement.enable
Value: true
Description: Set to "true" to enable application placement based on the
user ID passed using the application tags. When it is enabled, it checks
for the userid=<userId> pattern and if found, the application will be
placed onto the found user's queue, if the original user has the required
rights on the passed user's queue.
```

- b. Add the list of users in the allowlist who can use application tag based placement. The applications when the submitting user is included in the allowlist, will be placed onto the queue defined in the `yarn.scheduler.capacity.queue-mappings` property defined for the user from the application tag. If there is no user defined, the submitting user will be used.

```
Name: yarn.resourcemanager.application-tag-based-placement.username.whitelist
Value: <Hive process user(s)>
Description: Comma separated list of users who can use the application tag based placement, if "yarn.resourcemanager.application-tag-based-placement.enable" is enabled.
```



**Note:** Check the Hive system user value(s) and add the value(s) to the allowlist:

1. In Cloudera Manager, navigate to Hive Configuration .
  2. Search for System User.
  3. Note down the value(s) set as process username(s), and add the value(s) to the allowlist.
5. Restart the ResourceManager service for the changes to apply.

### Related Information

[Manage placement rules](#)

## Configure NodeManager heartbeat

You can control how many containers can be allocated in each NodeManager heartbeat.

To configure NodeManager heartbeat for all queues, perform the following:

1. In Cloudera Manager, select the Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click the Scheduler Configuration tab.
3. Select the Enable Multiple Assignments Per Heartbeat checkbox to allow multiple container assignments in one NodeManager heartbeat.
4. Configure the following NodeManager heartbeat properties:
  - Maximum Container Assignments Per Heartbeat - The maximum number of containers that can be assigned in one NodeManager heartbeat. Setting this value to -1 disables this limit.
  - Maximum Off-Switch Assignments Per Heartbeat - The maximum number of off-switch containers that can be assigned in one NodeManager heartbeat.
5. Click Save.

## Configure data locality

Capacity Scheduler leverages Delay Scheduling to honor task locality constraints. There are three levels of locality constraint: node-local, rack-local, and off-switch. The scheduler counts the number of missed opportunities when the locality cannot be satisfied and waits for this count to reach a threshold before relaxing the locality constraint to the next level. You can configure this threshold using the Node Locality Delay (`yarn.scheduler.capacity.node-locality-delay`) and Rack Locality Additional Delay (`yarn.scheduler.capacity.rack-locality-additional-delay`) fields.

To configure data locality, perform the following:

1. In Cloudera Manager, select the Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click the Scheduler Configuration tab.
3. In the Node Locality Delay textbox, enter the number of scheduling opportunities that can be missed.

Capacity Scheduler attempts to schedule rack-local containers only after missing this number of opportunities. You must ensure this number is same as the number of nodes in the cluster.

4. In the Rack Locality Additional Delay textbox, enter the number of missed scheduling opportunities, over the Node Locality Delay ones, after which Capacity Scheduler should attempt to schedule off-switch containers.

A value of -1 means that the value is calculated based on the formula  $L * C / N$ , where L is the number of locations (nodes or racks) specified in the resource request, C is the number of requested containers, and N is the size of the cluster.

5. Click Save.

## Configure Per Queue Properties

Queue properties contain the settings that define the behavior of the queue. Using queue properties, you can define the setting that need not inherit properties directly from the parent queue and define the setting specific to the queue.

### About this task

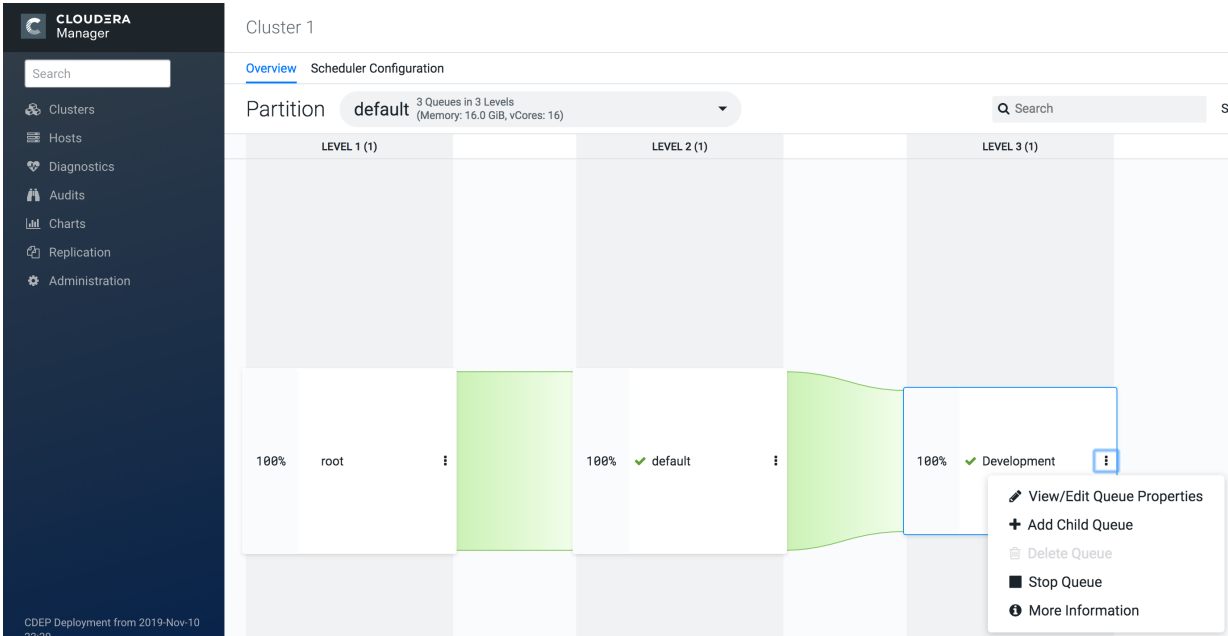
In Cloudera Manager, you can use the Queue Properties to view and configure the queue properties.

### Procedure

1. In Cloudera Manager, select Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service.

The screenshot shows the Cloudera Manager interface. On the left is a dark blue sidebar with the Cloudera Manager logo and a search bar. Below the search bar is a list of navigation items: Clusters, Hosts, Diagnostics, Audits, Charts, Replication, and Administration. The 'Clusters' item is selected, and a sub-menu is visible showing 'Cluster 1'. The main content area is titled 'Cluster 1' and 'Cloudera Runtime 7.0.2 (Parcels)'. It displays a list of services for Cluster 1: HDFS-1, YARN Queue Manager, YARN-1, and ZOOKEEPER-1. The 'YARN Queue Manager' service is selected, and its configuration page is shown. The configuration page has a table with the following rows: Hosts, Roles, Host Templates, Parcels, Send Diagnostic Data, Reports, Utilization Report, YARN Applications, YARN Queue Manager UI (highlighted in blue), and Static Service Pools. At the bottom of the main content area, there are links for 'Add Cluster' and 'Cloudera Management Service'.

2. Click on the three vertical dots on the queue and select the View/Edit Queue Properties option.



3. In the Queue Properties window, enter the value of the property and click Save.

## Queue Properties

root.default.Development

Resource Allocation

Minimum User Limit

100

%

User Limit Factor

1

Application Limits

Maximum Applications

10000

Maximum AM Resource Limit

10

%

Queue Permissions

Submit Application ACL

Queue Administer ACL

Cancel

Save

## Set user limits within a queue

Set a minimum percentage of resources allocated to each leaf queue user.

### Minimum User Limit

The Minimum User Limit (minimum-user-limit-percent) property can be used to set the minimum percentage of resources allocated to each leaf queue user. The Minimum User Percentage is a soft limit on the smallest amount of resources a single user should get access to if they are requesting it. For example, if you set the Minimum User

Percentage property to 10%, 10 users get 10% each, assuming they are all requesting it; this value is a soft limit because if one of the users asks for less capacity, you can place more users in the queue.

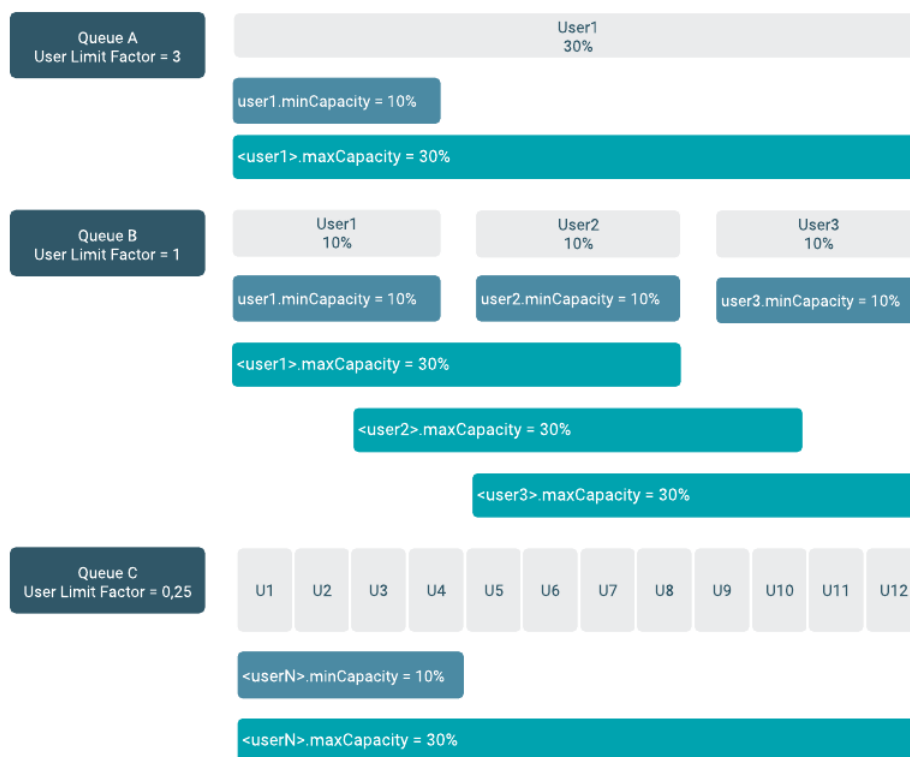
For example, to enable equal sharing of the *SERVICES* leaf queue capacity among five users, you must set the Minimum User Limit value to 20%.

To configure user limits based on this example, perform the following:

1. In Cloudera Manager, select Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click on the three vertical dots on the Services queue and select View/Edit Queue Properties option.
3. In the Queue Properties dialog-box, enter 20 in the Minimum User Limit text box.
4. Click Save.

### User Limit Factor

You can use the User Limit Factor (user-limit-factor) to control the maximum amount of resources that a single user can consume. User Limit Factor is set as a multiple of the queues minimum capacity where a user limit factor of one means the user can consume the entire minimum capacity of the queue. If the user limit factor is greater than 1, it is possible for the user consumption to grow into maximum capacity and if the value is set to less than 1, such as 0.5, a user can only obtain half of the minimum capacity of the queue. If you want a user to obtain the maximum capacity of a queue, set a value greater than 1 to allow the minimum capacity to be overtaken by a user that many times.



The following table shows how the queue resources are adjusted as users submit jobs to a queue with a minimum user limit percentage is set to 20%:

**Table 1: Minimum User Limit**

| Minimum user limit percent = 20 |                                                       |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| 1st user submits job            | Sole user gets 100% of the queue capacity             |
| 2nd user submits job            | Each user equally shares 50% of the queue capacity    |
| 3rd user submits job            | Each user equally shares 33.33% of the queue capacity |

| Minimum user limit percent = 20 |                                                    |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| 4th user submits job            | Each user equally shares 25% of the queue capacity |
| 5th user submits job            | Each user equally shares 20% of the queue capacity |
| 6th user submits job            | 6th user must wait for queue capacity to free up   |

- Queue resources are adjusted in the same manner for a single user submitting multiple jobs in succession. If no other users are requesting queue resources, the first job receives 100% of the queue capacity. When the user submits a second job, each job receives 50% of queue capacity. When the user submits a third job, each job receives 33% of queue capacity. If a fourth user then submits a job, each job would receive 25% of queue capacity. When the number of jobs submitted by all users reaches a total of five, each job will receive 20% of queue capacity, and subsequent users must wait for queue capacity to free up (assuming preemption is not enabled).
- The Capacity Scheduler also manages resources for decreasing numbers of users. As users' applications finish running, other existing users with outstanding requirements begin to reclaim that share.
- Note that despite this sharing among users, the FIFO application scheduling order of Capacity Scheduler does not change. This guarantees that users cannot monopolize queues by submitting new applications continuously. Applications (and thus the corresponding users) that are submitted first always get a higher priority than applications that are submitted later.

Capacity Scheduler's leaf queues can also use the `user-limit-factor` property to control user resource allocations. This property denotes the fraction of queue capacity that any single user can consume up to a maximum value, regardless of whether or not there are idle resources in the cluster.

To configure the maximum limit (`user-limit-factor`) based on this example, perform the following:

- In Cloudera Manager, select Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
- Click on the three vertical dots on the queue you want to set limit and select View/Edit Queue Properties option.
- In the Queue Properties dialog-box, enter 1 in the User Limit Factor text box.
- Click Save.

The default value of 1 means that any single user in the queue can, at the most, only occupy only the queue's configured capacity. This prevents users in a single queue from monopolizing resources across all queues in a cluster. Setting the value to 2 restricts the queue's users to twice the queue's configured capacity. Setting it to a value of 0.5 restricts any user from using resources beyond half of the queue capacity.

## Set Maximum Application limit for a specific queue

To avoid system-thrash due to an unmanageable load -- caused either by malicious users, or by accident -- the Capacity Scheduler enables you to place a static, configurable limit on the total number of concurrently active (both running and pending) applications at any one time.

### About this task

You can set the `maximum-application-limit` property using the Maximum Application queue property. The limit for running applications in any specific queue is a fraction of this total limit, proportional to its capacity. This is a hard limit, which means that once this limit is reached for a queue, any new applications to that queue will be rejected, and clients will have to wait and retry later.

To set the application limit (`yarn.scheduler.capacity.<queue-path>.maximum-applications`) on a specific queue, perform the following:

### Procedure

- In Cloudera Manager, select Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.

2. Click on the three vertical dots on the queue and select View/Edit Queue Properties option.
3. In the Queue Properties dialog-box, enter the maximum application limit in the Maximum Application text box.
4. Click Save.

For information about setting application limits on all the queues, see [Set Application Limits](#).

## Set Application-Master resource-limit for a specific queue

The Application Master (AM) resource limit can be used to set a maximum percentage of cluster resources allocated specifically to Application Masters. The default value is 10% and exists to avoid cross-application deadlocks where significant resources in the cluster are occupied entirely by the Containers running Application Masters.

### About this task

This property also indirectly controls the number of concurrent running applications in the cluster, with each queue limited to a number of running applications proportional to its capacity.

To set the maximum Application Masters resource limit (`yarn.scheduler.capacity.maximum-am-resource-percent`) for a specific queue:

### Procedure

1. In Cloudera Manager, select Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click on the three vertical dots on the queue and select View/Edit Queue Properties option.
3. In the Queue Properties dialog-box, enter the limit in the Maximum AM Resource Limit text box.
4. Click Save.

For information about setting Application Master resource limits on all the queues, see [Set Application Master Resource Limit](#).

## Control access to queues using ACLs

Use Access-control lists (ACLs) to control access rights to users and administrators to the Capacity Scheduler queues.

Application submission can really only happen at the leaf queue level, but an ACL restriction set on a parent queue will be applied to all of its descendant queues.

In the Capacity Scheduler, ACLs are configured by granting queue access to a list of users and groups with the Submit Application ACL parameter. The format of the list is "user1,user2 group1,group2" -- a comma-separated list of users, followed by a space, followed by a comma-separated list of groups.



**Note:** The default value of Submit Application ACL for a root queue is `yarn`, which means that only the default yarn user can submit applications to that queue. Therefore, to provide specific users and groups with access to the queue, you must explicitly set the value of Submit Application ACL to those users and groups.

The value of Submit Application ACL (`acl_submit_applications`) can also be set to "\*" (asterisk) to allow access to all users and groups, or can be set to " " (space character) to block access to all users and groups.

As mentioned previously, ACL settings on a parent queue are applied to all of its descendant queues. Therefore, if the parent queue uses the "\*" (asterisk) value (or is not specified) to allow access to all users and groups, its child queues cannot restrict access. Similarly, before you can restrict access to a child queue, you must first set the parent queue to " " (space character) to block access to all users and groups.

For example, the following properties would set the root Submit Application ACL value to " " (space character) to block access to all users and groups, and also restrict access to its child "support" queue to the users "sherlock" and "john" and the members of the "cfo-group" group:

Each child queue is tied to its parent queue with the configuration property. The top-level "support", "engineering", and "marketing" queues would be tied to the "root" queue.

To set the ACLs based on this example, perform the following:

1. In Cloudera Manager, select Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click on the three vertical dots on the queue you want to set ACL and select View/Edit Queue Properties option.
3. In the Queue Properties dialog-box, add `sherlock,john cfo-group` in the Submit Application ACL text box.
4. Click Save.

A separate ACL can be used to control the administration of queues at various levels. Queue administrators can submit applications to the queue, stop applications in the queue, and obtain information about any application in the queue (whereas normal users are restricted from viewing all of the details of other users' applications).

If the Queue Administer ACL value is set to " " (space character), it blocks access to all users and groups. If the ACL is set to `sherlock,john cfo-group`, it allows access to the users "sherlock" and "john" and the members of the "cfo-group" group.

## Enable preemption for a specific queue

Capacity Scheduler Preemption allows higher-priority applications to preempt lower-priority applications.

### About this task

A scenario can occur in which a queue has a guaranteed level of cluster resources, but must wait to run applications because other queues are utilizing all of the available resources. If Preemption is enabled, higher-priority applications do not have to wait because lower priority applications have taken up the available capacity. With Preemption enabled, under-served queues can begin to claim their allocated cluster resources almost immediately, without having to wait for other queues' applications to finish running.



**Note:** If the preemption policy is disabled in the scheduler configurations, you cannot enable preemption for a specific queue. For information about setting scheduler level preemption, see [Configure preemption](#) on page 28.

You can disable the queue preemption (`yarn.resourcemanager.scheduler.monitor.enable`) for a specific queue.

### Procedure

1. In Cloudera Manager, select Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click on the three vertical dots on the queue and select View/Edit Queue Properties option.
3. In the Queue Properties dialog-box, uncheck the Enable Preemption checkbox.
4. Click Save.

## Enable Intra-Queue Preemption for a specific queue

Intra-queue preemption prevents resource imbalances in a queue.

### About this task

Intra-queue preemption helps in effective distribution of resources within a queue based on configured user limits or application priorities.



**Note:** If the intra-queue preemption policy is disabled in the scheduler configurations, you cannot enable intra-queue preemption for a specific queue. For information about setting scheduler level intra-queue preemption, see [Configure Intra-Queue Preemption](#).

To disable Intra-Queue Preemption (`yarn.resourcemanager.monitor.capacity.preemption.intra-queue-preemption.enabled`) for a specific queue

### Procedure

1. In Cloudera Manager, select Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click on the three vertical dots on the queue and select View/Edit Queue Properties option.
3. In the Queue Properties dialog-box, uncheck the Enable Intra Queue Preemption checkbox.
4. Click Save.

## Configure dynamic queue properties

Dynamic queues are auto created based on the predefined expressions of the dynamic placement rule.



A leaf icon will be displayed next to the queue name for dynamically created leaf-queues. You can view the queue properties of the dynamically created leaf queues in the *Dynamic Auto-Creation of Queue* section of the Queue Properties. You can configure the dynamic leaf-queue properties like setting user limits, ACLs, ordering policies by clicking on the Edit Child Queues option of its managed parent queue. The queue properties set at the managed parent queue level will be applied to all of its leaf queues. For information about the queue properties, see [Configure Per Queue Properties](#) on page 32.

## Set Ordering policies within a specific queue

Set FIFO (First In, First Out) or Fair scheduling policies in Capacity Scheduler depending on your requirements.

The default ordering policy in Capacity Scheduler is FIFO (First In, First Out). FIFO generally works well for predictable, recurring batch jobs, but sometimes not as well for on-demand or exploratory workloads. For these types of jobs, Fair Scheduling is often a better choice. Flexible scheduling policies enable you to assign FIFO or Fair ordering policies for different types of workloads on a per-queue basis.

### Examples FIFO and Fair Sharing Policies

Both FIFO (First In, First Out) and Fair scheduling policies work differently in batch jobs and ad hoc jobs.

#### Batch Example

In the below example, two queues have the same resources available. One uses the FIFO ordering policy, and the other uses the Fair Sharing policy. A user submits three jobs to each queue one after another, waiting just long enough for each job to start. The first job uses 6x the resource limit in the queue, the second 4x, and last 2x.

- In the FIFO queue, the 6x job would start and run to completion, then the 4x job would start and run to completion, and then the 2x job. They would start and finish in the order 6x, 4x, 2x.
- In the Fair queue, the 6x job would start, then the 4x job, and then the 2x job. All three would run concurrently, with each using 1/3 of the available application resources. They would typically finish in the following order: 2x, 4x, 6x.

#### Ad Hoc Plus Batch Example

In this example, a job using 10x the queue resources is running. After the job is halfway complete, the same user starts a second job needing 1x the queue resources.

- In the FIFO queue, the 10x job will run until it no longer uses all queue resources (map phase complete, for example), and then the 1x job will start.

- In the Fair queue, the 1x job will start, run, and complete as soon as possible – picking up resources from the 10x job by attrition.

### Best Practices for Ordering Policies

- Ordering policies are configured on a per-queue basis, with the default ordering policy set to FIFO. Fairness is usually best for on-demand, interactive, or exploratory workloads, while FIFO can be more efficient for predictable, recurring batch processing. You should segregate these different types of workloads into queues configured with the appropriate ordering policy.
- In queues supporting both large and small applications, large applications can potentially "starve" (not receive sufficient resources). To avoid this scenario, use different queues for large and small jobs, or use size-based weighting to reduce the natural tendency of the ordering logic to favor smaller applications.
- Use the Maximum AM Resource Limit scheduler property to restrict the number of concurrent applications running in the queue to avoid a scenario in which too many applications are running simultaneously. Limits on each queue are directly proportional to their queue capacities and user limits. This property is specified as a float, for example: 0.5 = 50%. The default setting is 0.1=10%. This property can be set for all queues by setting the [Maximum AM Resource Limit](#) property at the root level, and can also be overridden on a per-queue basis by setting the [Maximum AM Resource LimitSet default Application Master resource limit](#) on page 29property at the queue level.

### Configure queue ordering policies

You can configure the property for queue ordering policies (`yarn.scheduler.capacity.<queue-path>.ordering-policy`) to FIFO or Fair. The default setting is FIFO.

#### Procedure

1. In Cloudera Manager, select Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click on the three vertical dots on the queue you want to configure queue ordering policies and select the View/Edit Queue Properties option.
3. In the Queue Properties dialog-box, select the ordering policy as FIFO or Fair using the Ordering Policy drop-down box .
4. Click Save.

## Manage placement rules

Placement rules can define the logic that is taken into account when specifying which queue should be used for a submitted job. These predefined rules enable you to submit jobs without specifying the queue name at the time of job submission.

There are two kinds of queue to which jobs can be submitted:

- Static queues: Queues that always exist and were defined by the user using the Queue Manager UI (or configuration files).
- Dynamic queues: Queues that are created dynamically when jobs are submitted to them. If the YARN service is restarted they are automatically deleted. To learn more about dynamic queues, see *Manage dynamic queues*.

Placement rules enable you to define the logic that applies when a job is submitted to specify which queue should be used for the submitted job. That enables you to submit a job without defining a target queue or to even override the target queue that was specified by the submitter during the job submission.

By default, placement rules are taken into account only if no target queue is specified during a job submission or if the specified target queue is provided as “default”. To change this behavior, see *Enable override of default queue mappings*.

Placement rules are evaluated in the order in which they appear in the placement rule list. When a job is submitted and placement rules have to be taken into account, the rules are evaluated, and the first matching rule is used to determine the queue in which the job runs.

If there is no placement rule and no target queue was specified during the job submission, then the job is submitted to the default queue of the scheduler.

If the target queue of a placement rule does not exist or it cannot be created, the configured fallback action is performed. You can configure the fallback action for each placement rule, and it can have the following values:

- **Skip:** Ignore the current rule and proceed to the next.
- **PlaceDefault:** Place the application to the default queue `root.default` (unless it is overridden to something else).
- **Reject:** Reject the submission.

If no target queue was specified during the job submission and no placement rule matches the job, then the job is submitted to the default queue of the scheduler.

By default, if an invalid queue was specified during a job submission, the submission is rejected. To change this behavior, see *Enable override of default queue mappings*.

### Related Information

[Manage dynamic queues](#)

## Placement rule policies

When creating a placement rule you have to set its policy. There are many predefined policies you can choose from, or you can create a custom policy.



**Important:** When referring to a queue, Cloudera recommends to always provide the parent queue as well. Although, in Capacity Scheduler you can refer to a queue only by its leaf queue name, it can lead to issues if there are more leaf queues with the same name. Providing the parent queue ensures that the reference is translated to a fully qualified path, that is, there will be no ambiguity.

The following table lists the names of the policies, the options displayed in the Placement Rule creation dialog box in the Queue Manager UI, and their detailed description:

**Table 2: Placement rule policies**

| Policy             | Queue Manager UI                                                                                                         | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| user               | Place the application into a queue named for the user.                                                                   | Places the application into a queue which matches the username of the submitter.                                                                                                                                                                  |
| primaryGroup       | Place the application into a queue named for the user's primary group.                                                   | Places the application into a queue which matches the primary group of the submitter.                                                                                                                                                             |
| primaryGroupUser   | Place the application into a queue named for the user that is the child of a queue named for the user's primary group.   | Places the application into the queue hierarchy [parentQueue].<primaryGroup>.<userName>. The parentQueue is optional.                                                                                                                             |
| secondaryGroup     | Place the application into a queue named for the user's secondary group.                                                 | Places the application into a queue which matches the secondary group of the submitter.                                                                                                                                                           |
| secondaryGroupUser | Place the application into a queue named for the user that is the child of a queue named for the user's secondary group. | Places the application into the queue hierarchy [parentQueue].<secondaryGroup>.<userName>. The parentQueue is optional.                                                                                                                           |
| applicationName    | Place the application into a queue named for the application.                                                            | Places the application into a queue which matches the name of the application.<br><br> <b>Important:</b> it is case-sensitive, white spaces are not removed. |

| Policy          | Queue Manager UI                                              | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| specified       | Place the application in the queue specified at the run time. | Places the application to the queue that was defined during submission.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| reject          | Reject the application.                                       | Rejects the submission.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| defaultQueue    | Place the application into the default queue.                 | Places the application into the default queue root.default or to its overwritten value.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| setDefaultQueue | Set the default queue to:                                     | <p>Changes the default queue from root.default.</p> <p>This policy does not permanently change the default queue. It is always “root.default” when the evaluation begins when an application is submitted.</p> <p>However, the adjusted default queue remains in effect until the placement rules evaluation is complete.</p> <p> <b>Important:</b> This policy rule does not place the application in the specified queue.</p> |
| custom          | Use the following custom policy:                              | Enables the user to use custom placement strings.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

### Custom placement policy

The custom placement policy can describe other policies with the appropriate variable placeholders. For example, primaryGroupUser with the parent queue root.groups can be expressed as: root.groups.%primary\_group.%user

The *Custom policy variables* table described what variables are available if you intend to use the custom policy.

Internally, the tool populates certain variables with appropriate values. These can be used if custom mapping policy is selected. The placement rules evaluation engine does only minimal verification when it comes to replacing them. Therefore it is your responsibility to provide the correct string.

**Table 3: Custom policy variables**

| Variable         | Meaning                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| %application     | The name of the submitted application.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| %default         | The default queue of the scheduler.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| %primary_group   | Primary group of the submitter.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| %secondary_group | Secondary (supplementary) group of the submitter.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| %specified       | <p>Contains the queue that the submitter defined.</p> <p>It is a standalone variable, do not combine it with other custom variables or paths.</p> <p>If the specified target queue is default this variable will not be set. If the target queue is the default queue, it should be specified with the root.default parent path.</p> |
| %user            | The user who submitted the application.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

If you submit a MapReduce application to a queue root.users.mrjobs, the value of %specified will be set to root.users.mrjobs.

Few policies can be achieved with custom. Instead of using the specified policy, you can use custom and set the customPlacement field to %specified.

However, you have more control over it, because you can also append or prepend an extra string to these variables. So the following setting is possible: `root.groups.%primary_group.admins.%user.longrunningjobs`

The string must be resolved to a valid queue path to have a proper placement.

### Differences between legacy modes and weight mode

There are some cases when the legacy resource allocation modes (absolute and relative modes) behave differently than weight mode.

#### The create flag

- Legacy modes: It has no effect if the parent is not managed.
- Weight mode: It applies to all parent queues. However, if `yarn.scheduler.capacity.<queue-path>.auto-queue-creation-v2.enabled` is set to false, then the queue will not be created.

#### The nested rules `primaryGroupUser` and `secondaryGroupUser`

- Legacy modes: They expect the parent queues to exist, meaning they cannot be created automatically. More specifically, when you use `primaryGroupUser` it will result in a queue path similar to `root.<primaryGroup>.<userName>` and the `root.<primaryGroup>` parent queue must exist. It can be a managed parent in order to have the `userName` leaf created automatically, but the parent still has to be created manually.
- Weight mode: As long as the parent allows dynamic queues to be created, there is no limitations. The requested queues will be created.

## How to read the Placement Rules table

In the Queue Manager UI you can view all of your placement rules on one page. Learning about this page can help you manage your placement rules according to your needs.

The placement rules overview page is displayed in Cloudera Manager if you select the Queue Manager UI and then go to the Placement Rules tab. It displays a table with the following columns:

**Table 4: Placement rules overview page**

| Column Name  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|--------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Order        | Placement rules are evaluated from top to bottom. This column provides the order of the placement rules.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Type         | Indicates to the engine what the current rule should be matched against: application, user, or group.<br>Values: Application, Users, Group                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Match        | The string to match, or an asterisk "*" which means "all". For example, if the type is User and this string is "hadoop" then the rule will only be evaluated if the submitter user is "hadoop". The "*" does not work with groups.                                                                                                                               |
| Policy       | Pre-defined or custom policies which defines where the application should be placed.<br>Values: User, PrimaryGroup, PrimaryGroupUser, SecondaryGroup, SecondaryGroupUser, ApplicationName, Specified, Reject, DefaultQueue, SetDefaultQueue, Custom                                                                                                              |
| Parent Queue | In the case of User, PrimaryGroup, PrimaryGroupUser, SecondaryGroup, and SecondaryGroupUser policies, this tells the engine where the matching queue should be looked for. For example, if the policy is PrimaryGroup, parent is <code>root.groups</code> and the submitted's group is "admin", then the resulting queue will be: <code>root.groups.admin</code> |

| Column Name   | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Custom Value  | <p>It can have two types of values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the case of the SetDefaultQueue policy: The default queue will change from root.default to the value of this field.</li> <li>In the case of the Custom policy: The value of this field will be evaluated directly by the placement rules evaluation engine, which means that various placeholders such as %application or %primary_group will be replaced with their respective values.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Create Queue? | <p>It sets the create flag and it works differently in weight and in legacy mode.</p> <p>If it is set to No, the target queue determined by the placement policy will not be created if it does not exist. That means that auto dynamic child creation will not happen.</p> <p>However, even if it is set to Yes it is still not guaranteed that the queue will be created. You also have to ensure that for the specified parent queue the auto dynamic child creation feature is enabled.</p> <p>The following policies do not support the create flag:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>reject</li> <li>setDefaultQueue</li> <li>defaultQueue</li> </ul> |
| Fallback      | <p>If the target queue does not exist or it cannot be created, it defines a fallback action.</p> <p>Values: Skip, PlaceDefault, Reject</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Actions       | <p>Click on the applicable icon to perform actions on the placement rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Eye: View Rule</li> <li>Bin: Delete Rule</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

## Create placement rules

Placement rules determine the queues to which applications and jobs are assigned. You can create placement rules using the YARN Queue Manager UI.

### About this task

In case of a placement rule that uses static queue, you first have to create the target leaf queue before creating the placement rule that uses it. When creating the placement rule the UI will display all the existing leaf queues.

In case of a placement rule that uses dynamically created queues, you have to enable the auto dynamic child creation feature for the target parent queue before creating the placement rule that uses it. When creating the rule the UI will display all the existing queues as target parent queue options but if the auto dynamic child creation feature is not enabled for the selected queue, a warning message will be displayed and you cannot create the placement rule. For more information, see *Manage dynamic queues*.

### Procedure

1. In Cloudera Manager, select the YARN Queue Manager UI.  
A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Go to the Placement Rules tab.

**3. Click +Add.**

The Add Placement Rules dialog box is displayed with the default settings or with settings that are the exact replica of the last placement rule that you have created.

## Add Placement Rule



Choose how the placement rule should match applications that users submit and how it should determine which queue to place them in.

This rule should match applications by:

The submitting user's name



\* This rule should match:



All users



A user named:

\*

When an application is matched, do the following:

Place the application into a queue named for the user.



\* The parent of the queue in which the application is placed should be:

(none)



Create the target queue if it does not exist? ☒

If the target queue does not exist and cannot be created, do the following:

Go to the next placement rule.



Cancel

OK

4. Set the application parameter that you want the rule to match:
  - The rule should match application by: Set the application parameter that match with this rule.
  - This rule should match: Set the value that match with this rule.
5. Set what the rule should do when an application is matched.

When an application is matched, do the following: Sets the placement rule policy.

6. Set the parent of the queue to which the job should be submitted.

The parent of the queue in which the application is placed should be: Select an available parent queue from the dropdown list.



**Important:** Cloudera recommends to always set the parent queue when it is an available property, even if it is only optional. In this way issues caused by leaf queues with the same name can be avoided.

7. If you want the the target queue to be created, if it does not exist select the Create the target queue if it does not exist? checkbox. To enable this feature, you have to set a parent queue in Step 6.



**Note:** You have to enable the auto dynamic child creation feature for the parent queue you select if you want the target queue to be created if it does not exist.

8. Set the fallback action.

## Add Placement Rule



Choose how the placement rule should match applications that users submit and how it should determine which queue to place them in.

This rule should match applications by:

The submitting user's name

\* This rule should match:

☒ All users ☐ A user named:

\*

When an application is matched, do the following:

Place the application into a queue named for the user.

(Optional) The parent of the queue in which the application is placed should be:

(none)

Create the target queue if it does not exist? ☒

If the target queue does not exist and cannot be created, do the following:

✓ Go to the next placement rule.

Place the application into the default queue.

Reject the application.

Cancel

OK

9. Check you placement rule settings.



**Note:** Once you have created a placement rules you cannot edit it. If you want to change a placement rule's settings you have to delete and then recreate it with the correct values.

10. Click OK.

11. Provide a description of the change and then click OK.

### Results

The rule is added to the bottom of the placement rule list and becomes the last rule to be evaluated.

### Related Information

[Manage dynamic queues](#)

## Example - Placement rules creation

You have to set up your placement rules to fulfill your specific need. In this example a cluster is shared among developers, QA engineers and test developers and there are nine placement logic that you want to set up.

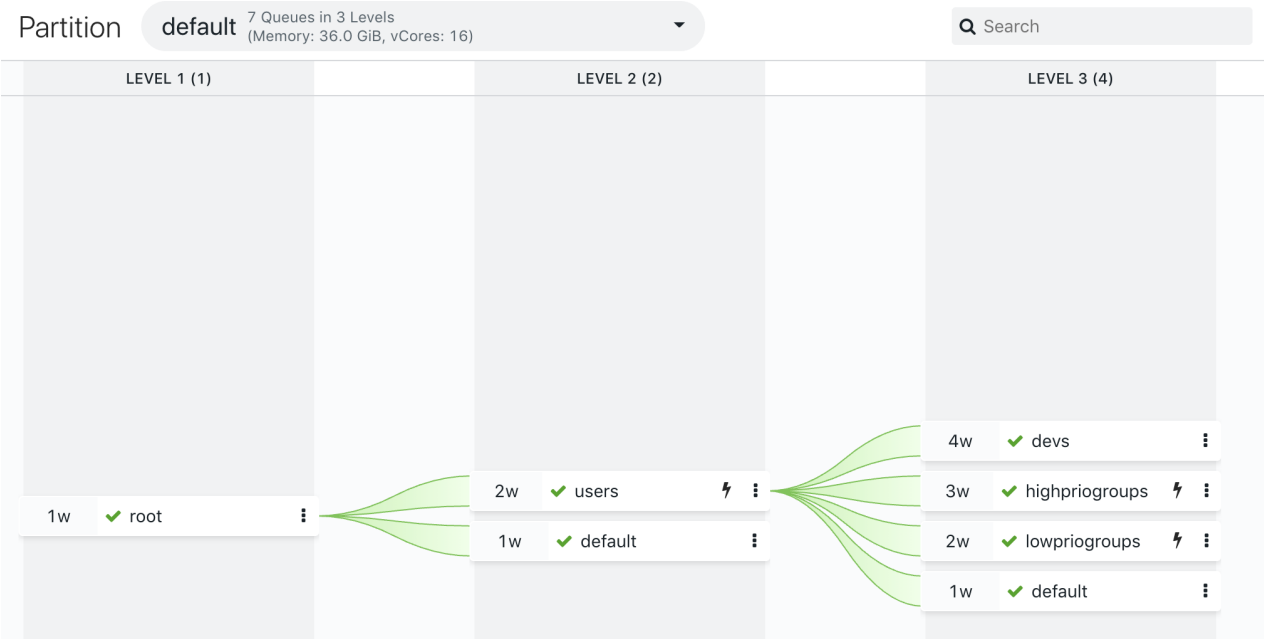
The following is the placement logic that to achieve when creating placement rules:

1. If the user belongs to the devs primary group, the application should be placed to root.users.devs. This is reserved for developers.
2. If the user belongs to the qa primary group, then the application should go to root.users.lowpriorgroups.<primaryGroup>. These queues have lower capacities and are intended for testers.
3. If the user belongs to the qa-dev primary group, then the application should go to root.users.highpriorgroups.<primaryGroup>. These queues have higher capacities and are intended for test developers.
4. Place the application into the queue which matches the user name.
5. If there is no such queue, take the queue from the application submission context, but the queue should not be created if it does not exist and the parent is managed.
6. If none of the above matches, then the application should be placed into the root.default queue.
7. If the default placement fails , change the default queue to root.users.default.
8. Try a placement to the default queue again.
9. If that fails, reject the submission altogether.

Using the Queue Manager UI, this logic can be achieved in the following way:

### Queue hierarchy

Queue with bolt signs next to their names are auto dynamic child creation enabled parents.



Placement rules overview

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| Overview | Scheduler Configuration | Placement Rules | Partitions      |                           |                    |               |          |         |       |
|----------|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------|--------------------|---------------|----------|---------|-------|
|          |                         |                 |                 |                           |                    |               |          | Reorder | + Add |
| Order    | Type                    | Match           | Policy          | Parent Queue              | Custom Value       | Create Queue? | Fallback | Actions |       |
| 1        | Group                   | devs            | Custom          |                           | root.users.devs    | No            | Skip     |         |       |
| 2        | Group                   | qa              | PrimaryGroup    | root.users.lowpriogroups  |                    | Yes           | Skip     |         |       |
| 3        | Group                   | qa-dev          | PrimaryGroup    | root.users.highpriogroups |                    | Yes           | Skip     |         |       |
| 4        | User                    | *               | User            |                           |                    | No            | Skip     |         |       |
| 5        | User                    | *               | Specified       |                           |                    | No            | Skip     |         |       |
| 6        | User                    | *               | DefaultQueue    |                           |                    | No            | Skip     |         |       |
| 7        | User                    | *               | SetDefaultQueue |                           | root.users.default | No            | Skip     |         |       |
| 8        | User                    | *               | DefaultQueue    |                           |                    | No            | Skip     |         |       |
| 9        | User                    | *               | Reject          |                           |                    | No            | Skip     |         |       |

Reorder placement rules

Placement rules are evaluated in the order in which they appear in the placement rule list. When a job is submitted, the rules are evaluated, and the first matching rule is used to determine the queue in which the job is run.

About this task

When a job is submitted, the rules are evaluated from top to bottom, and the first matching rule is used to determine the queue in which the job is run.

If a rule is always satisfied, subsequent rules are not evaluated. By default, placement rules are ordered in the order they were added; the rule added first appears first. You can easily reorder rules.

**Procedure**

1. In Cloudera Manager, select YARN Queue Manager UI.  
A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Go to the Placement Rules tab.  
A list of placement rules is displayed.
3. Click Reorder.  
The Reorder option is only available if you have at least two placement rules.
4. Click Move Up and Move Down arrow buttons in a rule row.
5. Click Save Reorder.

**Delete placement rules**

The YARN Queue Manager UI enables you to delete previously created placement rules. If you want to delete queues associated with placement rules, you first have to delete its associated placement rules.

**Procedure**

1. In Cloudera Manager, select YARN Queue Manager UI.  
A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click the Placement Rules tab.  
A list of placement rules is displayed.
3. In the Action column click on the Bin icon in the row of the placement rule you want to delete.
4. Click Save.

**Enable override of default queue mappings**

By default, placement rules are considered only if a target queue is not specified during a job submission. You can change that behaviour to take placement rules into account whether a target queue is specified at job submission or not.

**About this task**

The `yarn.scheduler.capacity.queue-mappings-override.enable` property controls when placement rules are considered. In the YARN Queue Manager UI, this property is called **Override Queue Mapping**. By default, the property is set to false, which means the feature is disabled and placement rules cannot override the target queue that was specified at job submission.

The following table shows how it is specified which queue should be used for a job in different scenarios:

**Table 5: Target queue specification scenarios**

| Override Queue Mapping  | Target queue is specified at job submission? | Placement rules exist? | End result                                                         |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Disabled (set to false) | Yes                                          | Yes                    | Job is submitted to the queue that was specified by the submitter. |
| Disabled (set to false) | Yes                                          | No                     | Job is submitted to the queue that was specified by the submitter. |
| Disabled (set to false) | No                                           | Yes                    | Placement rules specify the target queue.                          |

| Override Queue Mapping  | Target queue is specified at job submission? | Placement rules exist? | End result                                                             |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Disabled (set to false) | No                                           | No                     | Job is submitted to the default queue of the scheduler (root.default). |
| Enabled (set to true)   | Yes                                          | Yes                    | Placement rules specify the target queue.                              |
| Enabled (set to true)   | Yes                                          | No                     | Job is submitted to the queue that was specified by the submitter.     |
| Enabled (set to true)   | No                                           | Yes                    | Placement rules specify the target queue.                              |
| Enabled (set to true)   | No                                           | No                     | Job is submitted to the default queue of the scheduler (root.default). |

When placement rules override the target queue defined at job submission, the specified queue can still be taken into account if the specified placement rule policy is used. For more information, see *Placement rule policies*.

### Procedure

1. In Cloudera Manager, select YARN Queue Manager UI.  
A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Go to the Scheduler Configuration tab.
3. Find the Override Queue Mappings property. It is disabled by default.

Override Queue Mappings

☐ Disabled

Overrides the default queue mappings and submits applications that are specified for queues.

4. Check the box to enable this feature.

Override Queue Mappings

☒ Enabled

Overrides the default queue mappings and submits applications that are specified for queues.

5. Click Save.
6. Provide a description of the change and then click OK.

### Results

Placement rules are considered even if a target queue is specified during a job submission.

## Manage dynamic queues

Dynamic queues are created automatically during application runtime. They are deleted when the YARN service is restarted.

Dynamic queues are created during runtime automatically. Dynamic queues are not defined in the capacity-scheduler.xml configuration file. Dynamic queues can be created under those static parents where auto dynamic child creation is allowed. Auto dynamic child creation has to be set explicitly using the YARN Queue Manager UI.

You can create dynamic queues in two ways:

- A dynamic queue path is specified by the submitter at the time of the job submission. Dynamic queues will be created if the auto dynamic child creation feature is enabled for the parent queue that was provided in the queue path.

- A placement rule applies to the submitted job that could place it into a dynamic queue. Dynamic queue is created based on the predefined expression of the dynamic placement rule.

Based on your resource allocation mode, dynamic queues are managed differently:

In absolute and relative modes, when you enable the auto dynamic child creation feature for a queue, it becomes a Managed Parent Queue. It cannot have static child queues, queues under it can be created only dynamically. It allows 1-level dynamic queue nesting.

In the weight mode, there is no Managed Parent Queue. When you enable the auto dynamic child creation feature for a queue, it becomes a parent queue that can have both static and dynamic child queues. It allows 2-level dynamic queue nesting.



**Note:** Although it is possible to use safety valve configuration snippets to configure dynamic queues, Cloudera recommends to use the YARN Queue Manager UI for dynamic queue configuration even if that leads to some limitations.

## Managed Parent Queues

Managed Parent Queues are auto dynamic child creation enabled queues in absolute and relative resource allocation mode.

In absolute and relative modes, when you enable auto dynamic child creation for a queue it becomes a Managed Parent Queue. It cannot have static child queues, and queues under it can be created only dynamically.

In absolute and relative modes, dynamically created queues always fall under a predefined (static) queue, which is the Managed Parent Queue. This limits the nesting to only one level. In addition, the queue properties set for the Managed Parent Queue will be applied to all of its dynamically created child queues. To change the queue properties of all its dynamic child queues, you have to change the configuration at the Managed Parent Queue level.

It is possible to dynamically create queues with zero capacity by incorrectly setting the Managed Parent Queue.

For example, you can create a Managed Parent Queue and assign a percentage based minimum capacity limit of 5%, to its dynamically created child queues. In this case, at most 20 queues can function with the 5% capacity limit. This forces all the following queues to wait until a queue is released (if no application is running in a queue, its capacity is set to zero). Therefore, it is vital to design the minimum capacity limit of child queues that belong to a Managed Parent Queue in a way that takes into account the number of queues that should be running in parallel.

## Convert a queue to a Managed Parent Queue

In absolute and relative modes, you have to create Managed Parent Queues to enable dynamic queue creation. You can do that through the YARN Queue Manager UI.

### About this task

Note that the queue properties that is set at the Managed Parent Queue level is applied to all of its leaf queues.

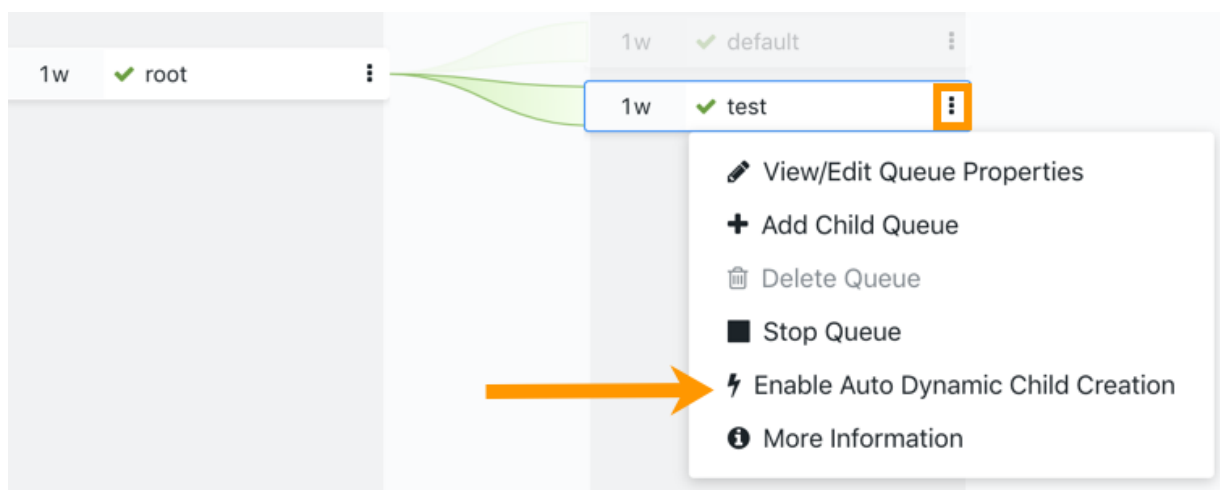


**Important:** Once auto dynamic child creation is enabled for a queue you cannot disable it. If you enable it by mistake you have to delete the queue and its child queues and then recreate them.

### Procedure

1. In Cloudera Manager, select the YARN Queue Manager UI.  
A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Find the queue for which you want to enable the auto dynamic child creation feature.

3. Select the More Options menu and select Enable Auto Dynamic Child Creation.



4. Set minimum and maximum capacity for the queue.
5. Click Save.

### What to do next

To define a placement rule that could lead to dynamically created child queues, ensure that during placement rule creation you select the *Create the target queue if it does not exist?* option and provide a Managed Parent Queue as the parent queue. For more information, see *Manage placement rules*.

### Related Information

[Manage placement rules](#)

## Enable auto dynamic child creation in weight mode

In the weight mode, when you enable auto dynamic child creation for a queue, it becomes a parent queue that can have both static and dynamic child queues. You can enable that feature through the YARN Queue Manager UI.

### About this task

In the weight mode, there is no Managed Parent Queue. When you enable the auto dynamic child creation feature for a queue, it becomes a parent queue that can have both static and dynamic child queues simultaneously. If this feature is not enabled, the queue can only have static child queues.

In contrast to Manage Parent Queue where the dynamic queue nesting level is limited to one, in weight mode, auto dynamic child creation allows you to create 2-level dynamic queues.

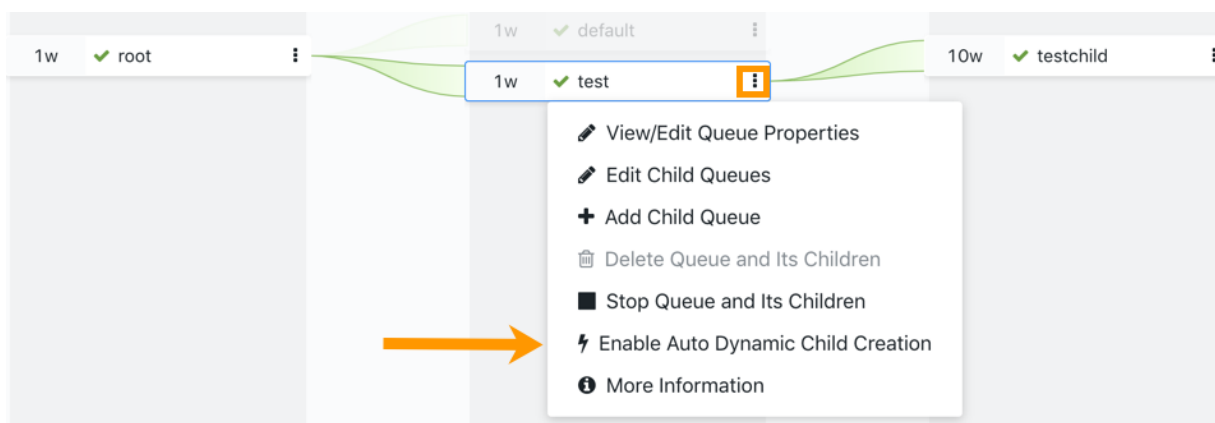


**Important:** Once auto dynamic child creation is enabled for a queue you cannot disable it. If you enable it by mistake you have to delete the queue and its child queues and then recreate them.

### Procedure

1. In Cloudera Manager, select the YARN Queue Manager UI.  
A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Find the queue for which you want to enable the auto dynamic child creation feature.

3. Select the More Options menu and select Enable Auto Dynamic Child Creation.



### Results

Auto dynamic child creation is enabled for the queue and a bolt icon is visible next to the queue's name.

### What to do next

If you want to define a placement rule that could lead to dynamically created child queues, ensure that during placement rule creation you check the Create the target queue if it does not exist? property and provide a parent queue for which auto dynamic child creation is enabled. For more information, see *Manage placement rules*.

### Related Information

[Manage placement rules](#)

[Placement rule policies](#)

## Manage auto dynamic child creation enabled parent queues

The YARN Queue Manager UI in Cloudera Manager provides an overview of your queue hierarchy where you can view and manage the parent queues for which auto dynamic child creation is enabled.

### Procedure

1. In Cloudera Manager, select the YARN Queue Manager UI.  
A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab. A bolt icon is displayed next to the queue name of parent queues for which auto dynamic child creation is enabled.

2. Select the three vertical dots and perform one of the following action for a dynamic auto child creation enabled parent queue:

- View/Edit Queue Properties: In relative and absolute resource allocation modes, you can view and edit the Dynamic Auto-Creation of Queue section of the Queue Properties. In weight resource allocation mode, you can only view that section.
- Add Child Queue: Supported only in weight mode where a dynamic parent queue can have both static and dynamic child queues simultaneously.
- Delete Queue: You have to stop the queue first before you can delete it.



**Note:** You cannot delete the root and the root.default queues.

- Stop Queue / Stop Queue and Its Children: Stop the queue and its child queues, if there is any.



**Note:** In the weight mode, if the queue has dynamically created child queues, you cannot restart the dynamic child queues once you have stopped them.

- Edit Dynamic Child Queue Capacities: Supported only in absolute and relative modes.
- More Information: You are redirected to the Resource Manager UIv2 Queues page.

## Manage dynamically created child queues

YARN Queue Manager UI provides an overview of your queue hierarchy where you can view and manage your dynamically created child queues.

### About this task

You cannot directly delete dynamically created child queues. For more information about dynamic queue deletion, see *Delete dynamically created child queues*.

### Procedure

1. In Cloudera Manager, select the YARN Queue Manager UI.



A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab. A  leaf is displayed next to the queue name of parent queues for which auto dynamic child creation is enabled.

2. Select the More Options menu and perform one of the following actions for a dynamically created queue:

- View/Edit Queue Properties: Available in relative and absolute resource allocation mode.
- More Information: You are redirected to the Resource Manager UIv2 Queue page.

### Related Information

[Delete dynamically created child queues](#)

## Delete dynamically created child queues

You cannot directly delete dynamically created child queues, but there are some workarounds to remove them. It can be useful, for example, when the applications in that queue are terminated.

There are two ways to remove dynamically created child queues:

- Restart the YARN service: That stops and deletes all dynamically created queues.
- Stop and then delete the parent queue of the dynamically created child queues: This will delete both the dynamic parent and all of its child queues - both static and dynamic ones.

## Configure Partitions

You can partition a cluster into sub-clusters so that jobs run on nodes with specific characteristics. You can configure these partitions, so that you run YARN applications on cluster nodes of the specified partition.



**Note:** The term *Partitions* is used instead of *Node Labels* to be consistent with the YARN terminology.

Partition can be specified as exclusive or non-exclusive/shareable:

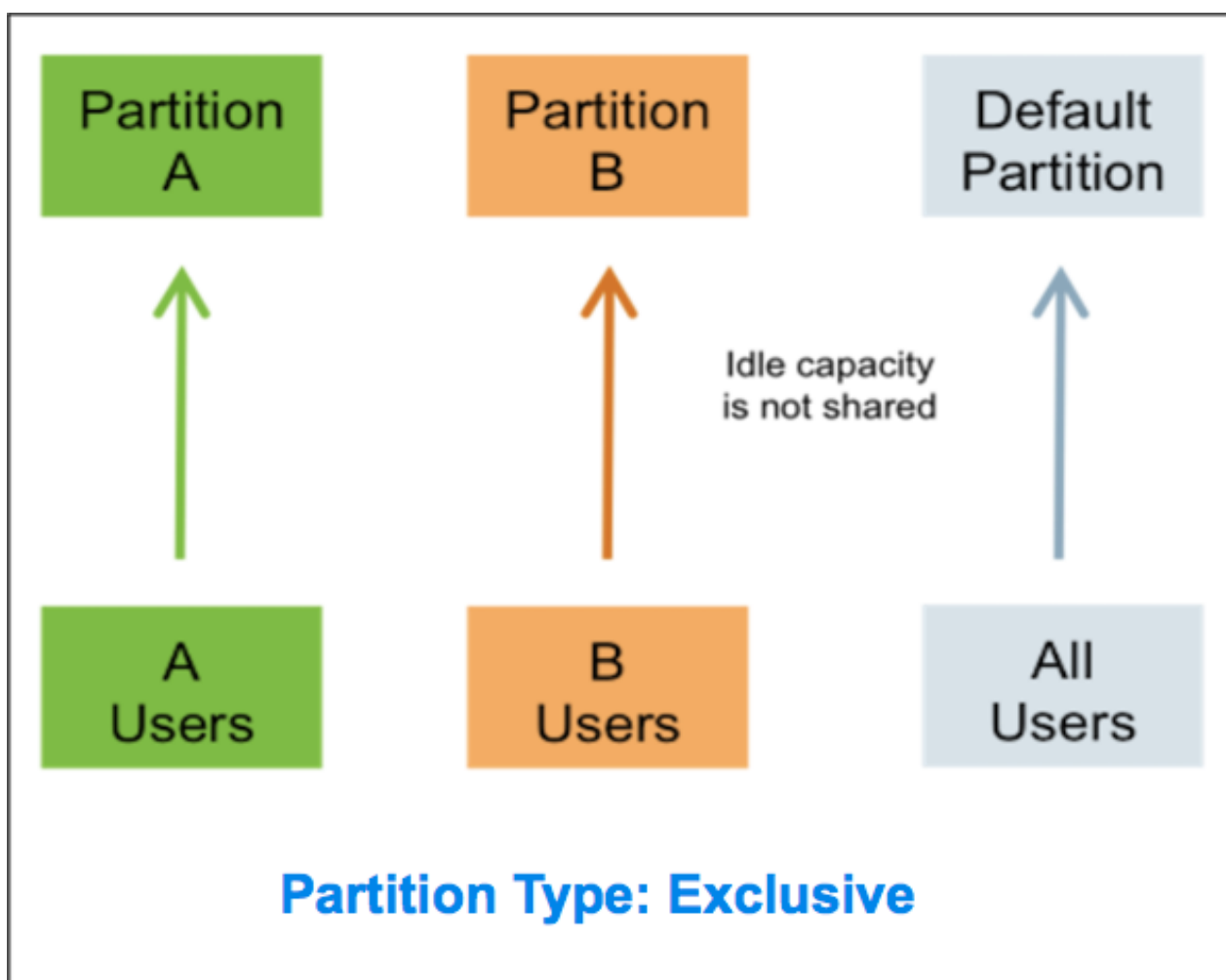
- exclusive - Access is restricted to applications running in queues associated with the partition.
- non-exclusive - If idle capacity is available on the partition, resources are shared with all applications in the cluster.

The fundamental unit of scheduling in YARN is the queue. The capacity of each queue specifies the percentage of cluster resources that are available for applications submitted to the queue. Queues can be set up in a hierarchy that reflects the resource requirements and access restrictions required by the various organizations, groups, and users that utilize cluster resources.

Using partition, you can divide a cluster into sub-clusters so that jobs can be run on partitions with specific characteristics. For example, you can use a partition to run memory-intensive jobs only on nodes with a larger amount of RAM. Partitions can be assigned to cluster nodes, and specified as exclusive or non-exclusive. You can then associate partition with capacity scheduler queues. Each node can be associated with only one partition.

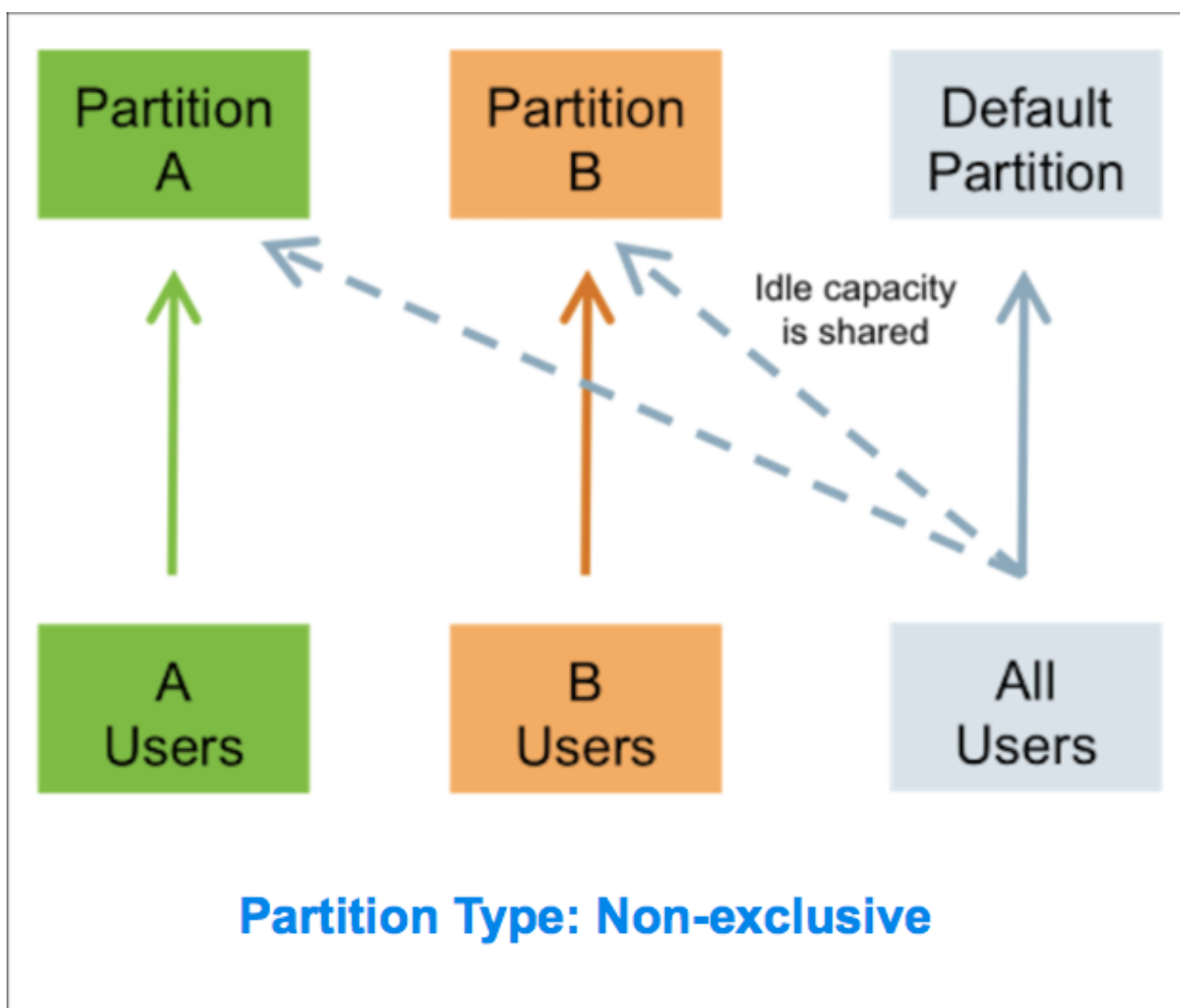
### Partition Type: Exclusive

When a queue is associated with one or more exclusive partitions, all applications submitted by the queue will have exclusive access to the nodes in those partitions.



#### Partition Type: Non-exclusive

When a queue is associated with one or more non-exclusive partitions, all applications submitted by the queue get first priority on nodes in those partitions. If idle capacity is available on those partition nodes, resources are shared with other applications in the cluster. Non-labeled applications are preempted if labeled applications request new resources on the labeled nodes.



### Queues without associate partition

If no partition is assigned to a queue, the applications submitted by the queue can run on any node without a partition, and on nodes with non-exclusive partitions if idle resources are available.

### Preemption

Labeled applications that request labeled resources preempt non-labeled applications on labeled nodes. If a labeled resource is not explicitly requested, the normal rules of preemption apply. Non-labeled applications cannot preempt labeled applications running on labeled nodes.

## Enabling node labels on a cluster to configure partition

You can configure partitions on a cluster by making configuration changes on the YARN ResourceManager host.

### Procedure

1. Create a Label Directory in HDFS.
  - a) Use the following commands to create a node-labels directory in which to store the Node Labels in HDFS:

```
sudo su hdfs
```

```
hadoop fs -mkdir -p /yarn/node-labels
hadoop fs -chown -R yarn:yarn /yarn
hadoop fs -chmod -R 700 /yarn
```

Where -chmod -R 700 specifies that only the yarn user can access the node-labels directory.

- b) Use the following command to confirm that the directory was created in HDFS:

```
hadoop fs -ls /yarn
```

The new node-labels directory should appear. The owner should be yarn, and the permission should be drwx:

```
Found 1 items
drwx----- - yarn yarn 0 2014-11-24 13:09 /
yarn/node-labels
```

2. In Cloudera Manager, navigate to **YARN Configuration**.
3. Search for node label.
4. Find the Node Labels property and ensure that it is selected (enabled).
5. Find the Node Labels Directory property and set its value to reference the HDFS node label directory.  
For example: `hdfs://node-1.example.com:8020/yarn/node-labels/`.

HDFS paths are automatically translated, however, any other file system requires a full path to the Node Labels Directory.

The default value of the Node Labels Directory property is `/yarn/node-labels`.

6. Start or Restart the YARN ResourceManager.

## Create partitions

You must first create partitions to assign them to nodes and associate it with queues.

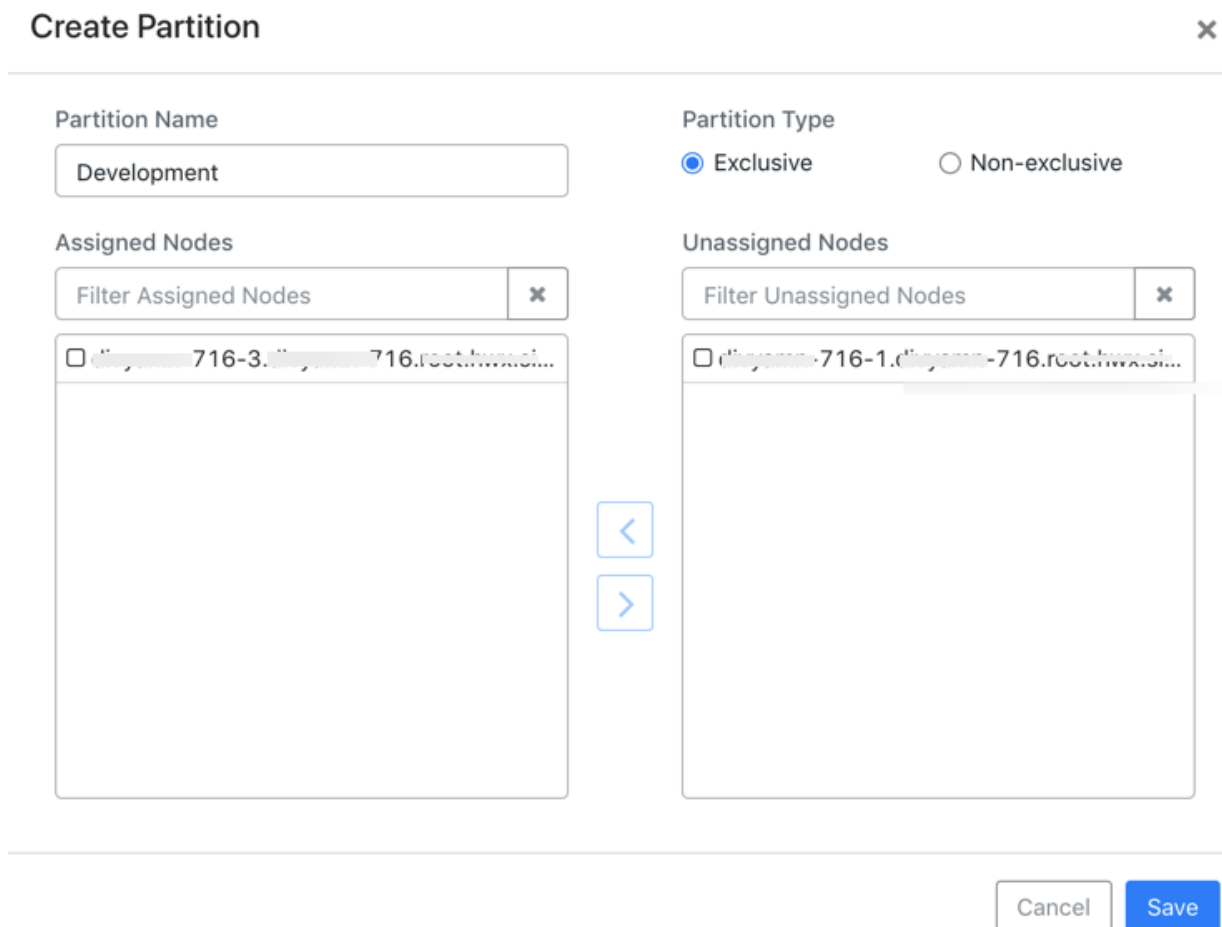
### Before you begin

You must enable node labels on a cluster before you create a partition. For more information, see [Enable node labels on a cluster](#).

### Procedure

1. In Cloudera Manager, select the **Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI** service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click the Partitions tab.

3. Click +Create. The Create Partition dialog box is displayed.



The 'Create Partition' dialog box is shown. It has a title bar with a close button (X). The dialog is divided into two main sections: 'Assigned Nodes' on the left and 'Unassigned Nodes' on the right. In the 'Assigned Nodes' section, there is a text input field labeled 'Partition Name' containing the text 'Development'. Below it is a section titled 'Assigned Nodes' with a search bar 'Filter Assigned Nodes' and a list of nodes. One node is visible: '716-3.716.root.hwa.si...'. In the 'Unassigned Nodes' section, there is a search bar 'Filter Unassigned Nodes' and a list of nodes. One node is visible: '716-1.716.root.hwa.si...'. Between the two lists are two arrow buttons, a left arrow and a right arrow. At the bottom right of the dialog are two buttons: 'Cancel' and 'Save'.

4. Add a name for the partition in Partition Name.
5. Select Exclusive or Non-Exclusive node label type under Partition Type. For information about Exclusive or Non-Exclusive partition type, see [Configure Partitions](#).
6. Select one or more unassigned nodes listed under Unassigned Nodes and click the < arrow button to move it under Assigned Nodes to assign it to the partition. You can also search or filter the nodes using the regular expression.
7. Click Save.

## Assign or unassign a node to a partition

You can assign or unassign a node to an existing partition.

### Procedure

1. In Cloudera Manager, select the Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click the Partition tab. A list of partitions is displayed.
3. Click the Edit icon at the right of a partition.

4. Assign or unassign the nodes in the Edit Partition dialog box.
  - a. Assign Nodes: Select an unassigned node listed under Unassigned Nodes and click the < arrow button to move it to under Assigned Nodes.
  - b. Unassign Nodes: Select an assigned node listed under Assigned Nodes and click the > arrow button to move it to under Unassigned Nodes.
5. Click Save.

## View partitions

You can view the list of available partitions in the cluster. For each partition, it lists the number of associated nodes under the Hosts column along with the partition type and capacity.

1. In Cloudera Manager, select the Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click the Partitions tab. A list of existing partitions is displayed.
3. Optionally, you can click on the number listed in the Host column to view the associated nodes.

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|          |                         |                 |            |
|----------|-------------------------|-----------------|------------|
| Overview | Scheduler Configuration | Placement Rules | Partitions |
|----------|-------------------------|-----------------|------------|

+ Create

| Partition | Hosts | Type      | Capacity                 |
|-----------|-------|-----------|--------------------------|
| x         | 1     | Exclusive | Memory: n/a, vCores: n/a |
| y         | 1     | Exclusive | Memory: n/a, vCores: n/a |

## View Node Label Assignments

You can use the following commands to view information about partitions.

- List all running nodes in the cluster: `yarn node -list`

Example:

```
[root@node-1 /]# yarn node -list
14/11/21 12:14:06 INFO impl.TimelineClientImpl: Timeline service address:
http://node-1.example.com:8188/ws/v1/timeline/
14/11/21 12:14:07 INFO client.RMProxy: Connecting to ResourceManager at no
de-1.example.com/240.0.0.10:8032
Total Nodes:3
Node-Id Node-State Node-Http-Address Number-of-Running-Containers
node-3.example.com:45454 RUNNING node-3.example.com:50060 0
node-1.example.com:45454 RUNNING node-1.example.com:50060 0
node-2.example.com:45454 RUNNING node-2.example.com:50060 0
```

- List the status of a node (includes partition): `yarn node -status <Node_ID>`

Example:

```
[root@node-1 /]# yarn node -status node-1.example.com:45454
14/11/21 06:32:35 INFO impl.TimelineClientImpl: Timeline service address:
http://node-1.example.com:8188/ws/v1/timeline/
14/11/21 06:32:35 INFO client.RMProxy: Connecting to ResourceManager at
node-1.example.com/240.0.0.10:8032
Node Report :
Node-Id : node-1.example.com:45454
Rack : /default-rack
```

```
Node-State : RUNNING
Node-Http-Address : node-1.example.com:50060
Last-Health-Update : Fri 21/Nov/14 06:32:09:473PST
Health-Report :
Containers : 0
Memory-Used : 0MB
Memory-Capacity : 1408MB
CPU-Used : 0 vcores
CPU-Capacity : 8 vcores
Node-Labels : x
```

Partitions are also displayed in the ResourceManager UI on the Nodes and Scheduler pages.

## Associate partitions with queues

You can use partitions to run YARN applications on cluster nodes that have a specified partition.

### Before you begin

Before associating partitions, you must create partitions and assign partitions to cluster nodes. For more information about creating partitions see, [Create partitions](#) on page 61.



**Note:** After you associate a partition with one or more queues, in the YARN Queue Manager UI, click Overview > <PARTITION NAME> from the dropdown list and distribute capacity to the queues before switching allocation mode or creating placement rules.



**Note:** The term *Partitions* is used instead of *Node Labels* to be consistent with the YARN terminology.

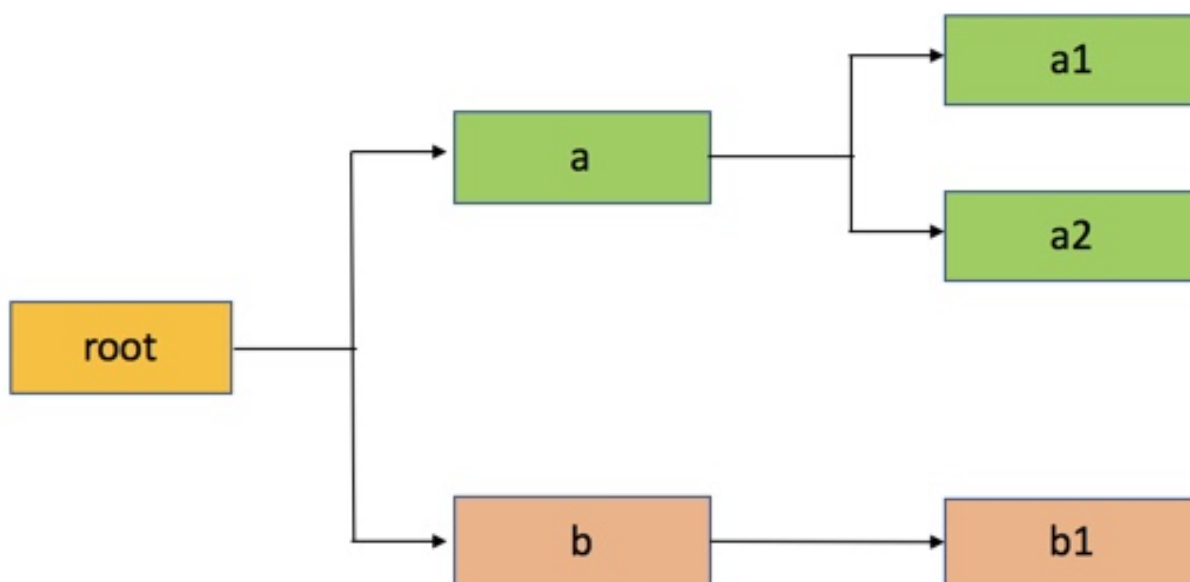
### About this task

Use Queue Manager to create and assign partitions to cluster nodes, associate the partitions (yarn.scheduler.capacity.<queue-path>.accessible-node-labels) to queues and configure capacity to that queue for the specified partition. Queue Manager evenly distributes the available capacity among all the queues in the partition. You can manually modify the capacity on each partition of each queue, and also ensure that the sum of capacities of each partition of direct children of a parent queue at every level is equal to 100%. partitions that a queue can access (accessible partitions of a queue) must be the same as, or a subset of, the accessible partitions of its parent queue.

### Example

Assume that a cluster has a total of 8 nodes. The first 3 nodes (n1-n3) have partition = x, the next 3 nodes (n4-n6) have partition = y, and the final 2 nodes (n7, n8) do not have any partitions. Each node can run 10 containers.

The queue hierarchy is as follows:



Assume that queue “a” can access partitions “x” and “y”, and queue “b” can only access partition “y”. By definition, nodes without labels can be accessed by all queues.

Consider the following example label configuration for the queues, in the Relative resource allocation mode:

$\text{capacity}(a) = 40$ ,  $\text{capacity}(a, \text{label}=x) = 100$ ,  $\text{capacity}(a, \text{label}=y) = 50$ ;  $\text{capacity}(b) = 60$ ,  $\text{capacity}(b, \text{label}=y) = 50$

This means that:

- Queue “a” can access 40% of the resources on nodes without any labels, 100% of the resources on nodes with label=x, and 50% of the resources on nodes with label=y.
- Queue “b” can access 60% of the resources on nodes without any labels, and 50% of the resources on nodes with label=y.

You can also see that for this configuration:

$\text{capacity}(a) + \text{capacity}(b) = 100$

$\text{capacity}(a, \text{label}=x) + \text{capacity}(b, \text{label}=x)$  (b cannot access label=x, it is 0) = 100

$\text{capacity}(a, \text{label}=y) + \text{capacity}(b, \text{label}=y) = 100$

For child queues under the same parent queue, the sum of the capacity for each label should equal 100%.

Similarly, you can set the capacities of the child queues a1, a2, and b1:

a1 and a2:  $\text{capacity}(a.a1) = 40$ ,  $\text{capacity}(a.a1, \text{label}=x) = 30$ ,  $\text{capacity}(a.a1, \text{label}=y) = 50$   $\text{capacity}(a.a2) = 60$ ,  $\text{capacity}(a.a2, \text{label}=x) = 70$ ,  $\text{capacity}(a.a2, \text{label}=y) = 50$ ;

b1:  $\text{capacity}(b.b1) = 100$ ,  $\text{capacity}(b.b1, \text{label}=y) = 100$

You can see that for the a1 and a2 configuration:

$\text{capacity}(a.a1) + \text{capacity}(a.a2) = 100$

$\text{capacity}(a.a1, \text{label}=x) + \text{capacity}(a.a2, \text{label}=x) = 100$

$\text{capacity}(a.a1, \text{label}=y) + \text{capacity}(a.a2, \text{label}=y) = 100$

How many resources can queue a1 access?

Resources on nodes without any labels:  $\text{Resource} = 20$  (total containers that can be allocated on nodes without a label, in this case n7, n8) \* 40% (a.capacity) \* 40% (a.a1.capacity) = 3.2 (containers)

Resources on nodes with label=x

Resource = 30 (total containers that can be allocated on nodes with label=x, in this case n1-n3) \* 100%  
(a.labelx.capacity) \* 30% = 9 (containers)

To implement this example configuration, perform the following

- 1. In Cloudera Manager, select Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
- 2. Click on the three vertical dots on a queue and select the View/Edit Queue Properties option.
- 3. In the Queue Properties dialog-box , select the x label from the Accessible Partitions drop-down box, click +, again select the y label from the Accessible Partitions drop-down boxand click Save.

Queue Properties

root.default

Dynamic Queue User Limit Factor

1

Dynamic Queue Maximum Applications

10000

Dynamic Queue Maximum AM Resource Limit

10

%

Dynamic Queue Submit Application ACL

Dynamic Queue Administer ACL

Dynamic Queue Ordering Policy

FIFO

Ordering Policy

FIFO

Partitions

Accessible Partitions

✓ Select

x

y

+

Cancel

Save

- 4. Repeat the above steps to assign x label for a1 and a2 queues.
- 5. Click on the three vertical dots on b queue and select the View/Edit Queue Properties option.
- 6. In the Queue Properties dialog-box, select the y label from the Accessible Partitions drop-down box, click +, and click Save.

7. Repeat the above steps to assign y label for b1, a, a1, and a2 queue.

Queue Manager automatically distributes the available capacity among all the queues in the partition. If you want to modify the capacity of the queues, click on the Partition drop-down box in the Overview tab, select the label and modify the queue capacity.

8. In the Overview tab, click on the Partition drop-down box and select label y.
9. Click on the three vertical dots on the a queue and select the Edit Child Queues option.
10. Enter the Configured Capacity of a1 to 50 and a2 to 50 and Click Save.
11. Click on the three vertical dots on the b queue and select the Edit Child Queues option.
12. Enter the Configured Capacity of b1 to 100 and click Save.
13. Click on the three vertical dots on the root queue and select the Edit Child Queues option.
14. Enter the Configured Capacity of a to 50 and b to 50 and click Save.

## Disassociate partitions from queues

You can disassociate a partition from the queue. You should disassociate a partition before you delete the queue. Before disassociating a partition from a queue, you should remove the partition capacity for that queue by setting it to zero.

### Procedure

1. In Cloudera Manager, select the Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. A graphical queue hierarchy is displayed in the Overview tab.
2. Click on the three vertical dots on a queue and select the View/Edit Queue Properties option.

3. In the Queue Properties dialog box, from the Accessible Partitions, click X next to the name of the partition.

## Queue Properties ×

root.default

|                                         |                                |   |
|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| Dynamic Queue User Limit Factor         | 1                              |   |
| Dynamic Queue Maximum Applications      | 10000                          |   |
| Dynamic Queue Maximum AM Resource Limit | 10                             | % |
| Dynamic Queue Submit Application ACL    |                                |   |
| Dynamic Queue Administer ACL            |                                |   |
| Dynamic Queue Ordering Policy           | <div>FIFO <span>▼</span></div> |   |

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### Ordering Policy ^

Ordering Policy 

FIFO ▼

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### Partitions ^

Accessible Partitions

x ×

Select ▼ +

Cancel

Save

4. Click Save.

## Delete partitions

In this release, due to a [known issue](#), it is not recommended to delete a partition if it is associated with queues and the queues have capacities configured for that partition.

## Use partitions when submitting a job

You can use various methods to specify partitions when submitting jobs.

## Procedure

- Set partitions when Submitting Jobs

You can use the following methods to specify partitions when submitting jobs:

- `ApplicationSubmissionContext.setNodeLabelExpression(<node_label_expression>)` - sets the partition expression for all containers of the application.
- `ResourceRequest.setNodeLabelExpression(<node_label_expression>)` - sets the partition expression for individual resource requests. This overrides the partitions expression set in `ApplicationSubmissionContext.setNodeLabelExpression(<node_label_expression>)`.
- Specify `setAMContainerResourceRequest.setNodeLabelExpression` in `ApplicationSubmissionContext` to indicate the expected partition for the `ApplicationMaster` container.

You can use one of these methods to specify a partition expression, and `-queue` to specify a queue, when you submit YARN jobs using the distributed shell client. If the queue has a label that satisfies the label expression, it will run the job on the partition(s). If the label expression does not reference a label associated with the specified queue, the job does not run and an error is returned. If no partition is specified, the job runs only on nodes without a partition, and on nodes with non-exclusive partitions if idle resources are available.



### Note:

You can only specify one partition in the `.setNodeLabelExpression` methods.

For example, the following commands run a simple YARN distributed shell "sleep for a long time" job. In this example you are asking for more containers than the cluster can run so you can see which node the job runs on. We are specifying that the job should run on queue "a1", which our user has permission to run jobs on. We are also using the `-node_label_expression` parameter to specify that the job will run on all nodes with label "x".

```
sudo su yarn
hadoop jar /opt/cloudera/parcels/CDH/lib/hadoop-yarn/hadoop-yarn-applications-distributedshell.jar
-shell_command "sleep 100" -jar /opt/cloudera/parcels/CDH/lib/hadoop-yarn/hadoop-yarn-applications-distributedshell.jar
-num_containers 30 -queue a1 -node_label_expression x
```

If you run this job on the example cluster we configured previously, containers are allocated on node-1, as this node has been assigned partition "x", and queue "a1" also has partition "x":

The following commands run the same job that you specified for partition "x", but this time you will specify queue "b1" rather than queue "a1".

```
sudo su yarn
hadoop jar /opt/cloudera/parcels/CDH/lib/hadoop-yarn/hadoop-yarn-applications-distributedshell.jar
-shell_command "sleep 100000" -jar /opt/cloudera/parcels/CDH/lib/hadoop-yarn/hadoop-yarn-applications-distributedshell.jar
-num_containers 30 -queue b1 -node_label_expression x
```

When you attempt to run this job on our example cluster, the job will fail with the following error message because label "x" is not associated with queue "b1".

```
14/11/24 13:42:21 INFO distributedshell.Client: Submitting application to ASM
14/11/24 13:42:21 FATAL distributedshell.Client: Error running Client
org.apache.hadoop.yarn.exceptions.InvalidResourceRequestException: Invalid
resource request, queue=b1 doesn't
have permission to access all labels in resource request. labelExpression
of resource request=x. Queue labels=y
```

- MapReduce Jobs and Partitions

Currently you cannot specify a partition when submitting a MapReduce job. However, if you submit a MapReduce job to a queue that has a default partition expression, the default partition is applied to the MapReduce job.

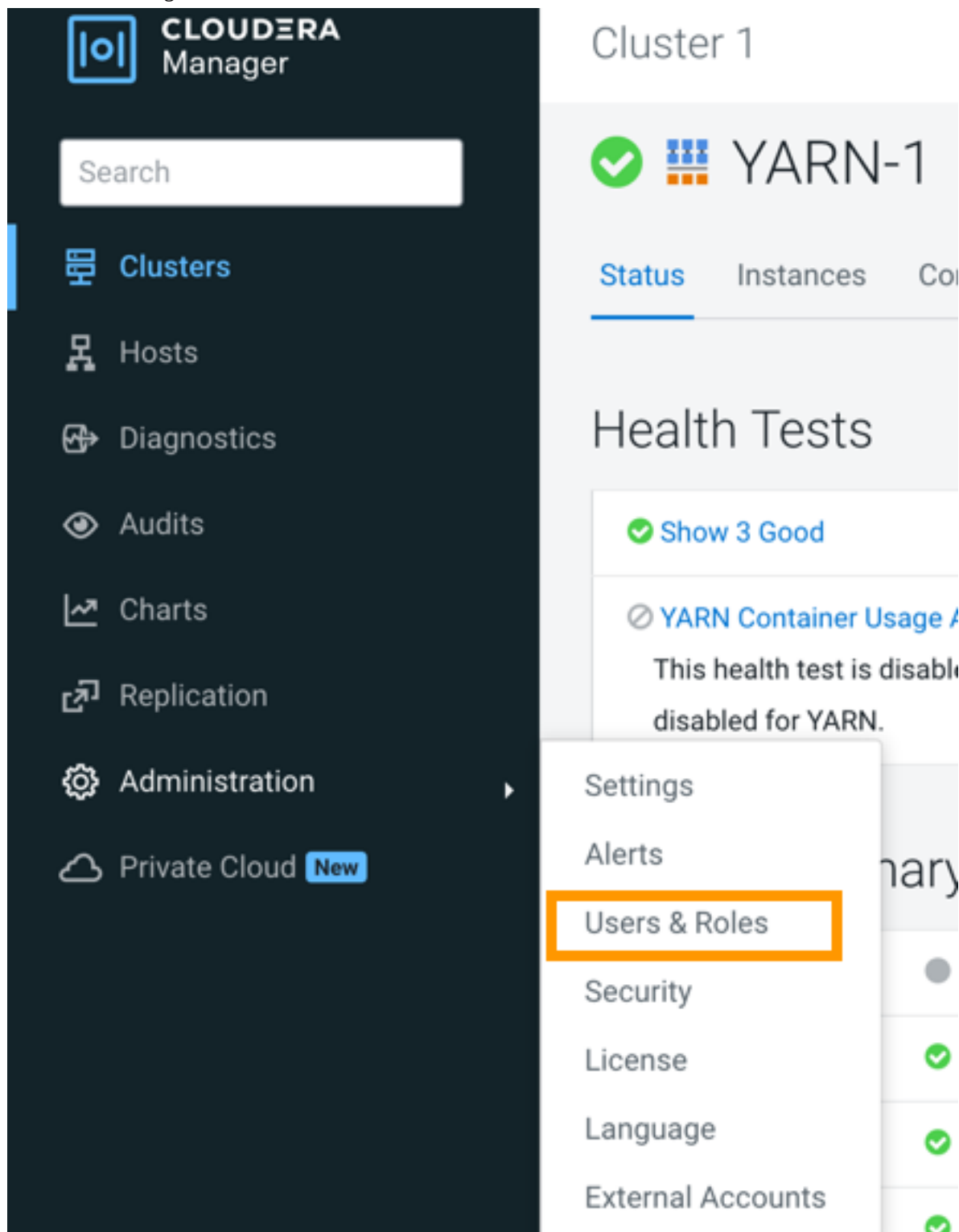
Using default partition expressions tends to constrain larger portions of the cluster, which at some point starts to become counter-productive for jobs - such as MapReduce jobs - that benefit from the advantages offered by distributed parallel processing.

## Provide Read-only access to Queue Manager UI [Technical Preview]

You can now allow non-admin users to access YARN Queue Manager in a read-only mode. You can either create a new user account with read-only role or use any existing user account with read-only role in Cloudera Manager to access YARN Queue Manager UI. In the read-only access mode, the user can view all the configurations but cannot make any changes to the configurations.

Technical Preview: This is a technical preview feature and considered under development. Do not use this in your production systems. To share your feedback, contact Support by logging a case on our [Cloudera Support Portal](#). Technical preview features are not guaranteed troubleshooting guidance and fixes.

1. In Cloudera Manager, click the Administration > Users & Roles.



2. Provide username, password, and select Read-Only from the Roles dropdown list.

Add Local User ✕

Username

Password

Confirm Password

Roles ⓘ

- Auditor
- Cluster Administrator
- Cluster Creator
- Configurator
- Dashboard User
- Full Administrator
- Key Administrator
- Limited Cluster Administrator
- Limited Operator
- Navigator Administrator
- Operator
- Read-Only**
- Replication Administrator
- User Administrator

Cancel Add

3. Click Add.

For more information about assigning user roles, see [Cloudera Manager User Roles](#).

4. Click on your username on the left navigation pane and select Sign Out.
5. Log in to Cloudera Manager as the newly created Read Only user.

- 6. Click Clusters > YARN Queue Manager UI service. The YARN Queue Manager UI is displayed without edit options.

