Transactional Partitioning:

A New Abstraction for Main-Memory Databases

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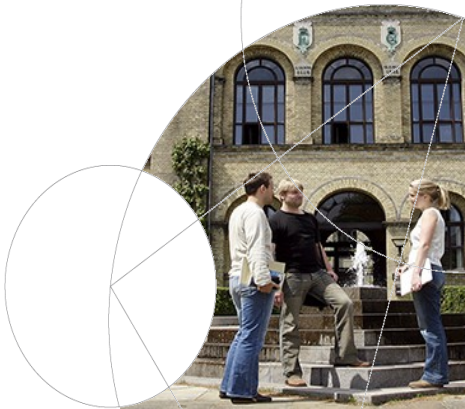


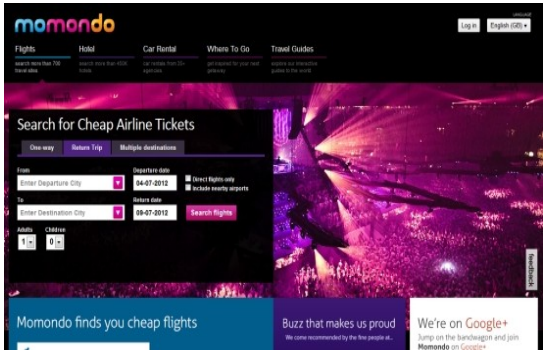
Online Transaction Processing(OLTP) Application Goldmine

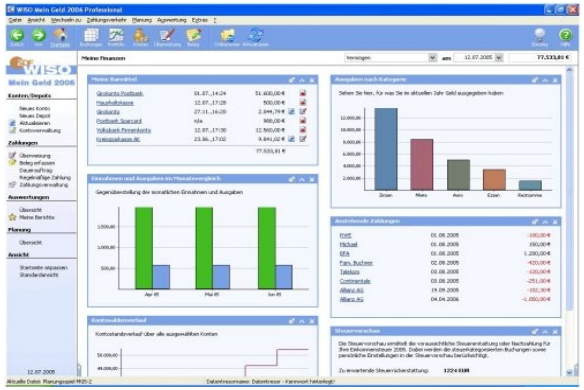
Reservation system

Banking system

Order Entry system

OLTP Application Goldmine





TPC-B

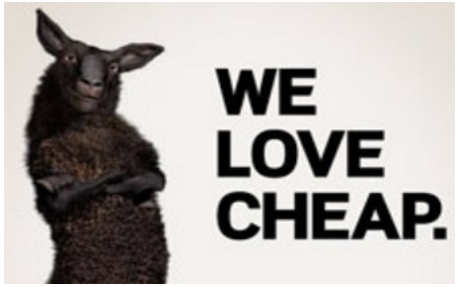
TPC-E

TPC-C

Online Transaction Processing(OLTP) Application Trends

OLTP Application Evolution

- Internet
- Computer Hardware



- Computer Software
  Open Source
- Cloud Computing

OLTP Application Trends

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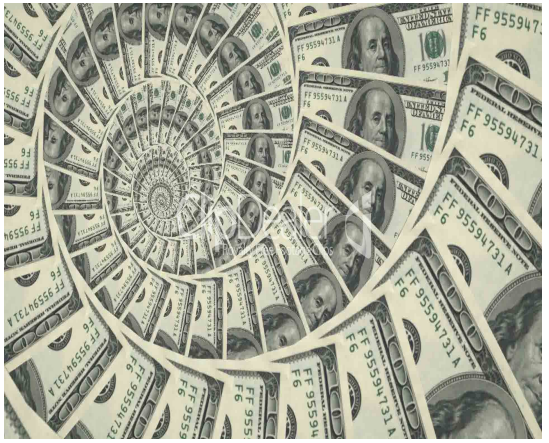

Throughput

Latency

Resource Utilization

OLTP Application Trends

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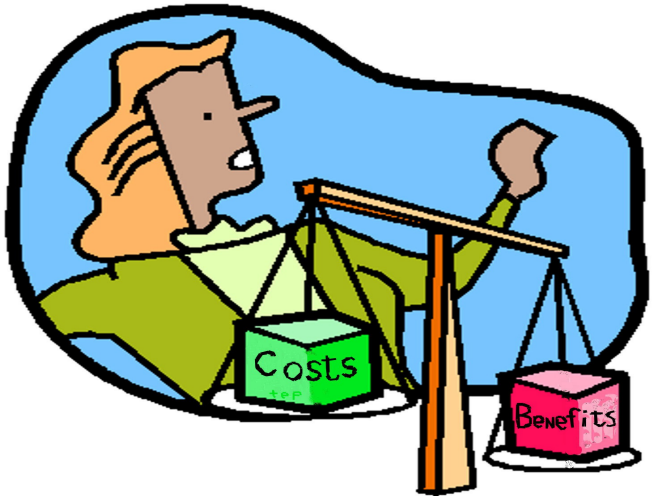
Development



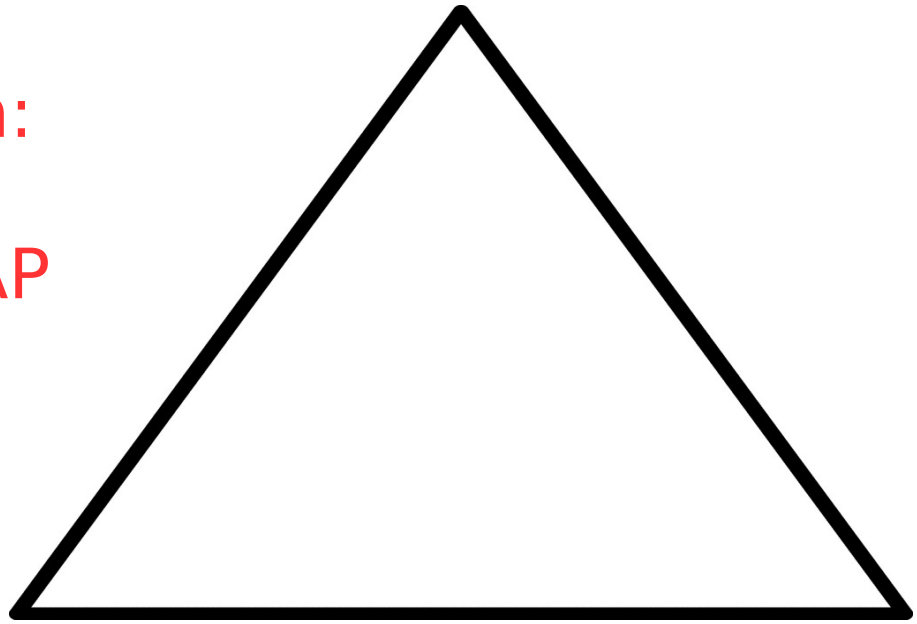
Maintenance

PVC Triangle

VARIETY

Motivation:

PVC != CAP



Performance Matters

Outline

- Motivation 
- PVC Problem in Existing Solutions
- Logical Partition Solution
- Challenges
- Conclusion

Online Transaction Processing Application(OLTP) Properties

Interactive

Update heavy

Update consistency

Highly Interactive Commodity hardware Consistent on Update
HICCUP

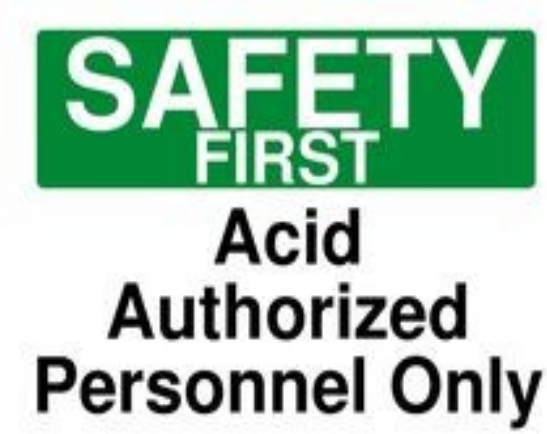
Commodity hardware

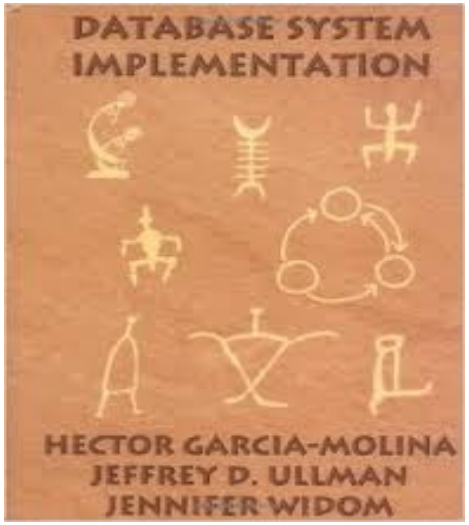
OLTP Application Properties

Short

Fast

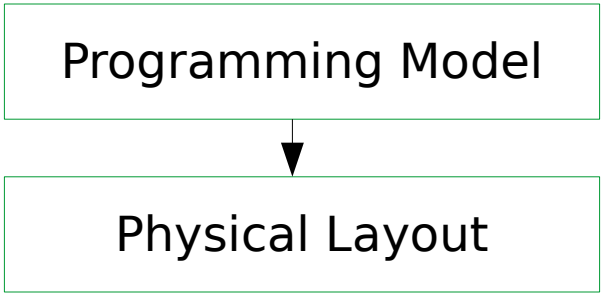
THE OLTP System for OLTP Applications





OLTP Programming Models

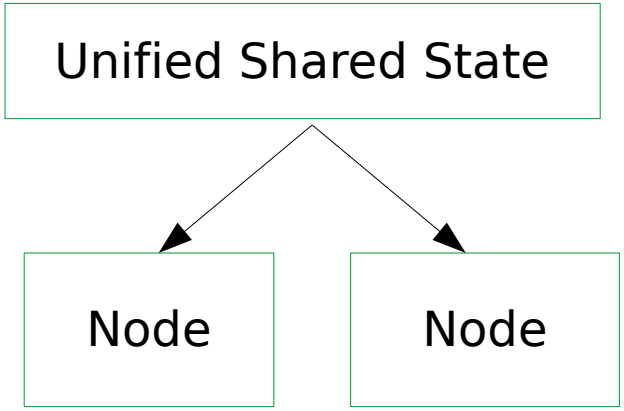
- Logical Programming model
  - Not Data model
  - Abstraction of the physical layout
- Physical Implementation



Current OLTP Programming Models

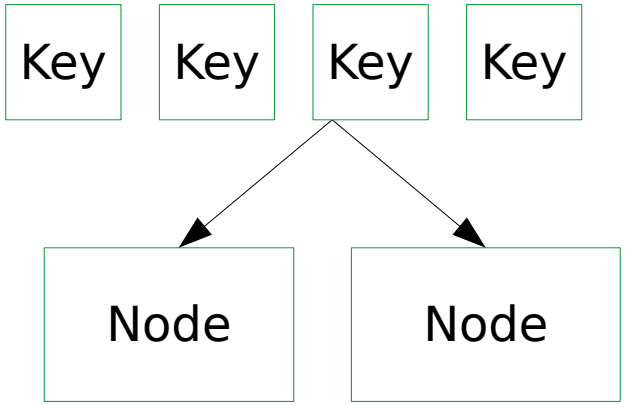
- Unified view of shared state
  - Classic relational model
- Distributed storage oriented partitioned by key
  - Key-value store model

Unified View of Shared State Model



- Strong consistency, high level data model
- Hiding partitioning → Hard to reason about performance
- Partitioning is key → Houdini systems
- PVC or PVC or PVC

Distributed Storage Oriented Partitioned by Key Model



- Weak/no consistency, low level storage oriented data model
- Hard to reason about locality
- Exposing partitioning → Reason about performance
- Control performance (build yourself), variety
- PVC or PVC or PVC

THE PROBLEM

How to build an OLTP system that

- Maintains ACID guarantees
- Exposes partitioning in the programming model
  - Exposes program costs

Write good programs

Programming Model

- Maps the programming model to the commodity-hardware cluster
- Guarantees high resource utilization

Run programs efficiently

Implementation

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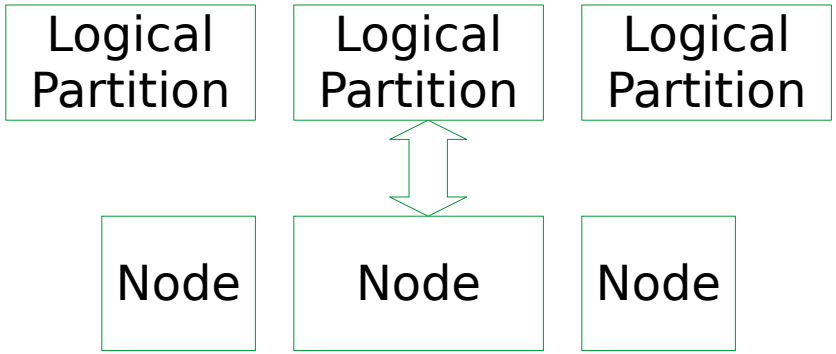
Our Solution (Logical Partitioning)



- Logical Partition = Logical unit of execution and associated storage (e.g., warehouse in TPC-C)
- Accessible through function calls → Transactions
- Transactions are local, invoked with logical partition
- Transactions can invoke other transactions

```
txn T1 (...) {
    ......
    return res;
}
```

Local execution

```
EXEC T1 (x_input) ON PARTITION (L0)
```

Invoke txn with input parameters and logical partition identifier

```
txn T2 (...) {
    ......
    input' = f(..);

    res = EXEC T1(input') ON
        PARTITION (L1);

}
```

Txn Invocation

Our Solution (Logical Partitioning)

```
txn T1 (input) {
   ......
   ......
   return res;
}
```

Make it better

```
EXEC T1 (input) on PARTITION L0;
```

```
PARTITIONING FUNCTION map(input) {
   .....
   return logical_id;
}

T1 PARTITION MAPPER map;
```

Mapping function for partition id

```
EXEC T1(input) on PARTITION (input);
```

New Order

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Order:
2 Longjing tea – Beijing

3 Liquorice - Copenhagen

Stock:
Longjing tea - 5

Item:
Longjing tea - $4
Liquorice - $3

Total cost: $17

Stock:
Liquorice - 3

Beijing

Copenhagen

New Order in Unified View of Shared State Model

```
txn new_order (w_id, d_id, c_id, order) {

  <wh,dist,cust> = gen_order_id(w_id, d_id, c_id, order);
                                                  Generate order id

  total = 0;
  for(ord_item in order.items) {
     amount = get_amount(ord_item);
     total += amount;
                                        Compute order item cost

     update_stock(ord_item, amount);
                                                  Update stock

    stock_info = get_dist_info_stock(ord_item);
    add("order_line", dist.order_id, w_id, d_id, stock_info,
    amount, ...);
                                                  Add order line
  }

  total_pay = (1 + wh.tax + dist.tax)*total* (1 - cust.discount);
  return total_pay;
                                        Compute total order cost

}
```

New Order (How to use the new model?)

- Element of distribution
- Affinity of programs
- Increase in data and compute
- Warehouses (Intuitively from application)

New Order (How to use the new model?)

```
txn new_order(w_id, d_id, c_id, order) {

  <wh,dist,cust> = gen_order_id(w_id, d_id, c_id, order);

 total = 0;
 for(ord_item in order.items) {
   amount = get_amount(ord_item);          Remote warehouse
   total += amount;

   update_stock(ord_item, amount);

                                           Remote warehouse
   stock_info = get_dist_info_stock(ord_item);


   add("order_line", dist.order_id, w_id, d_id, stock_info,
   amount,...);
 }

 total_pay = (1 + wh.tax + dist.tax)*total*(1 - cust.discount);
 return total_pay;

}
```

Separate in a txn

New Order Stock Update using Logical Partitioning

```
txn new_order_update_stock(order) {
  Result = <>;

  for(ord_item in order.items) {
    amount = get_amount(ord_item);

    update_stock(ord_item, amount);

    stock_info = get_dist_info_stock(ord_item);

    append(result,<stock_info,amount>);
  }

  return result;
}
```

Compute order item cost

Update stock

Gather stock information for order line

Use warehouse id as logical partition id

```
PARTITIONING FUNCTION map(w_id) {return w_id;};
new_order PARTITION MAPPER map;
new_order_update_stock PARTITION MAPPER map;
```

New Order using Logical Partitioning

- Can I optimize more ?
- Details in the paper

```
txn new_order (w_id, d_id, c_id, order) {
 <wh,dist,cust> = gen_order_id(w_id, d_id, c_id, order);
  results = <>;

for(s_id in order.supplier_w_id) {
  temp_res = EXEC new_order_update_stock
                  (subset(order, s_id)) ON PARTITION (s_id);
  append(results,temp_res);
}

 total = 0;
for(result in results) {
  for(item_result in result) {
     total += item_result.amount;
     add("order_line", dist.order_id, w_id, d_id, item_result, ...);
  }
}

total_pay = (1+wh.tax+dist.tax)*total*(1-cust.discount);
return total_pay;
}
```

Generate order id

Invoke stock update txn on supplier warehouses

Use results to compute order cost and add order line

Compute total order cost

What has changed ?

- Exposed partitioning
  - Cost of communication
  - Cost of co-ordination
  - Performance is visible, controllable
- Maintained ACID
  - Isolation is good
  - No need to reason about inter-leavings

Logical Partitioning Model

- Split the programming model into logical units of storage and execution
- Application Developer does splitting → WYSWYG
- Maintain ACID guarantees
- Transactions → Code Isolation → Partitioning Element
- Programs → Produce Data
- Separation of concerns → Honesty about cleverness → One man does not fix all

Challenges

- Implementation (ongoing work)
  - Mapping logical to physical partitions
    - Reuse main-memory shared-everything engine (Silo)
    - Cost model, workload variance, skew, scheduling
  - Local Concurrency Control & Global Commit
    - Optimistic concurrency control → Global commit
    - Less is more
- Evaluation
  - TPC-C (Varied configurations of physical partitions, workload parameters)
  - Oltpbench ?
- Cloud Integration
  - Programs, performance requirements, resources

Conclusion

Thank You

- Performance, Variance, Cost (PVC) → OLTP Trends
- Existing programming models do not meet PVC goals
- Logical Programming model
  - Expose partitioning → Use transactions
  - Provide global ACID guarantees
- Write Good Programs → Good abstraction
- Run good programs efficiently → Resource Utilization
- Logical Partitioning → PVC Goals → GET Ph.D.