#### MVEDSUA: Higher Availability Dynamic Software Updates via Multi-Version Execution

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## An Update is Available!



-	Updates Available Do you want to restart to install these updates now or try tonight?		Restart	
ð			Later	
	Try	in an Hou	lour	
	Try	Tonight		
	Rei	Remind Me Tomorrow		
	Tur	n On Auto	to Update	

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Good idea to install



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Good idea to install, especially if you keep sensitive data



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## Results:

- Crash/hang
- Corrupted state
- Loss of state

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Dynamic Software Updates

No loss of state during updates

# Multi-Version Execution

Execute old and new versions in parallel Tolerate/detect update errors

Match old and new states
Through developer-specified rules

Good performance

Low steady-state overhead

Mask update pause



In-memory key-val store with simple format:

# put(key,val)

An update adds types:

# put( type ,key,val)

With types **string** or **int** 

# Example DSU

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Restarting in Version N + 1











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Rolling Upgrades Loss of State

Restarting in Version N + 1



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Version N

#### Scaling Memcache at Facebook

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Incompatible Protocol



# Reliable Updates with $\operatorname{Mvedsua}$

Version N

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Multi-Version Execution (MVE)

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Mapping semantics

# What about non-backwards-compatible features?

(Or backwards-compatible features implemented differently?)

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# Mapping semantics

Example update

In-memory key-val store with simple wire protocol:

An update adds types:

With types string or int











### Mapping semantics

Command mappings

1. map old 
$$\rightarrow$$
 new [put(k,v)] = put(string,k,v)

- 2. map old  $\rightarrow$  new [put(string,k,v)] = not supported
- 3. map  $p_{\text{new}} \rightarrow \text{old}$  [put(string,k,v)] = put(k,v)
- 4. map  $new \rightarrow old$  [put(k,v)] = not supported

#### Implementing MVEDSUA

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#### VARAN the Unbelievable

An Efficient N-version Execution Framework

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#### Evaluating $\operatorname{MVEDSUA}$

- 1. Number of rules needed
- 2. Steady-state overhead
- 3. Update overhead
  - Performance in MVE
  - Update pause
- $4. \ \ {\rm Errors} \ detected/tolerated$

### Mapping sematics

Number of Rules

#### VSFTPD

Versions	# rules	Versions	# rules
1.1.0  ightarrow 1.1.1	—	2.0.0  ightarrow 2.0.1	
1.1.1  ightarrow 1.1.2	2	2.0.1  ightarrow 2.0.2	1
1.1.2  ightarrow 1.1.3		2.0.2  ightarrow 2.0.3	1
1.1.3  ightarrow 1.2.0	2	$2.0.3 \rightarrow 2.0.4$	1
1.2.0  ightarrow 1.2.1	—	2.0.4  ightarrow 2.0.5	1
1.2.1  ightarrow 1.2.2		2.0.5  ightarrow 2.0.6	
1.2.2  ightarrow 2.0.0	3	Average	0.85

Redis: 2.0.0  $\rightarrow$  2.0.1 (1 rule), 2.0.1  $\rightarrow$  2.0.2, 2.0.1  $\rightarrow$  2.0.3

Memcached:  $1.2.2 \rightarrow 1.2.3$ ,  $1.2.3 \rightarrow 1.2.4$ 









# Update Overhead (worst-case)

Redis with large state



- ▶ 1M entries, 250MB resident process space
- Kitsune takes 5s to transform state
- Promote + terminate could happen early at  $120s + (5s \times 2)$

#### Update Overhead

Redis with large state — Zoom around update



#### Update Overhead

Redis with large state — Max latency



#### $M \ensuremath{\mathrm{VEDSUA}}$ tolerates errors

▶ New code Redis revision 7fb16bac crashes on HMGET

- New version introduces error on existing HMGET command
- State transform Use-after-free for Memcached update
  - Transformation logic frees memory used by libevent
  - No problem for small number of threads/key-value pairs
  - Crashes in production
- Timing Memcached and libevent after update
  - libevent keeps round-robin list of active FDs
  - Update reorders that list (resets all FDs)
  - Divergence when order does not match pre-update

















#### Looking for students!


### Conclusion

Software updates are disruptive at best, catastrophic at worst

- DSU helps, but updates can still fail
- MVEDSUA performs DSU reliabily using MVE
  - Great single-version performance
  - Eliminates update pauses
  - Tolerates update errors
- Non-backwards-compatible features require new-to-old and old-to-new command mappings
  - Not always possible to write



## Extra Slides

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### Update by dumping to disk and restarting

- 10GB Redis takes 28s vs 22s with Kitsune (21ms opt)
- ▶ 1M entries (2GB) takes 5s vs 3.5s with Kitsune (22ms opt)

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#### Rubah: Efficient, General-purpose Dynamic Software Updating for Java

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Sample rule

```
01 read(fd,s,n) {{ return strstr("put",s) == 0; }}

02 =>

03 read(fd,ss,n)

04

05

06

07
```

08

#### A DSL Approach to Reconcile Equivalent Divergent Program Executions

Sample rule

```
01 read(fd,s,n) {{ return strstr("put",s) == 0; }}
02 =>
03 read(fd,ss,n)
04 {{
05 sscanf(s,"put(%s,%s)",&k,&v);
06
07 }}
08
```

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02 =>
03 read(fd,ss,n)
04 {{
05 sscanf(s,"put(%s,%s)",&k,&v);
06 sprintf(ss,"put(string,%s,%s)",k,v);
07 }}
08
```

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read(fd,s,n) {{ return strstr("put",s) == 0; }}
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02
     =>
03
       read(fd,ss,n)
          {{
04
05
             sscanf(s,"put(%s,%s)",&k,&v);
             sprintf(ss,"put(string,%s,%s)",k,v);
06
          }}
07
08
          \{ \text{ret } += 6; \} \}
```

#### A DSL Approach to Reconcile Equivalent Divergent Program Executions

# Mapping semantics MVE

