Performance Interference on Key-Value Stores in Multi-tenant Environments: When Block Size and Write Requests Matter

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Log-Structured Merge-Trees (LSM-trees)

Are composed of multiple levels, each one with one or more components (runs).

Merge policy: *leveling*

• One component per level $(L_0 a L_L)$.

Merge policy: *tiering*

- Multiple components per level ($L_0 a L_L$).
- Up to *T* components.







Basic Architecture

- Supports one or more LSM-trees (*Column Families*)
- Tiering merge policy: **L**₀
- Leveling merge policy: **L**₁, **L**₂, ...



S. Kim, H. Oh, C. Park, S. Cho, and S. Lee, "Fast, energy efficient scan inside flash memory," in ADMS@VLDB 2011.

Flash Devices





Flash Devices: Characteristics



- read and write operations at page level
- a page must be erased before written
- erase operations at block level (64 ~ 512 pages)
- writes must be sequential within a block
- limited number of erases per block (e.g., 5x10⁴ up to 10⁶ erases/block)

• *C* - target performance



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- *W* set of concurrent workloads
- $\rho: W \to C$ pressure function



- (C, \preceq_C) linear order: $c_1 \preceq_C c_2$ " c_1 is an inferior performance value than or equal to c_2 "
- (W, \succeq_W) linear preorder: $w_1 \succeq_W w_2 \Leftrightarrow \rho(w_1) \preceq_C \rho(w_2)$ " w_1 exerts more or the same pressure than w_2 "
- W_0 no concurrent workloads



- $\bullet \ C$ as the average throughput of the key value-store
- \leq_C as the numeric relation \leq Once lower throughput is equivalent to inferior performance value:

$$w_2 \succeq_W w_1 \Leftrightarrow \rho(w_2) \le \rho(w_1)$$

• Produce $w_1, w_2, \ldots, w_n \in W$ so that $w_0 \preceq_W w_1 \preceq_W w_2 \cdots \preceq_W w_n$

W: Access_time3 Instances

A configurable microbenchmark:

- file_size: 10 GiB (on the same storage device of the key-value store)
- write_ratio (wr): ratio between write and read operations
 - 0 : 100% reads
 - 1:100% writes
- random_ratio (rr): ratio between random and sequential access patterns
 - 0:100% sequential
 - 1:100% random
- block_size (bs): size of each access operation (KiB)
- Flags O_DIRECT+O_DSYNC







Experiments

$W^{bs=x}$ (in KiB)

x ∈ {4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512}



C : average throughput

- YCSB workload:
 - A (50% get, 50% put)
 - B (95% get, 5% put)
- db_bench workload readwhilewriting













Pressure scale: W^{bs=512KiB}



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Pressure scale: YCSB workload A



Pressure scale: YCSB workload B



Summary

• The pressure produced by our concurrent workloads varied according to the workload submitted to the key-value store.

Summary

- Better co-location options:
 - Concurrent **read-only** workloads with small read requests (<= 16 KiB)
 - Internal parallelism of the storage device
 - Concurrent write workloads with intermediate write requests (>= 32 and <= 128 or <=258 KiB, depending on the key-value workload)
- Concurrent write workloads may represent **serious performance issues** for the key-value store.
 - Small concurrent write requests: Possible contentions related to either some synchronization mechanism or the storage device's garbage collector.

Project Status and Future Work

- Implementing:
 - Retrieve more details about the hardware and OS states.
 - Internal state of the storage device (using smart and nvme)
 - Retrieve more details about the internal state of the key-value store (LSM-tree)
 - How the key-value store could minimize the performance impact of concurrent workloads?
- Potential further evaluations:
 - Compare different SSDs
 - Random *versus* sequential concurrent workloads
 - Compare different I/O schedulers

Project's Repository and Contact



https://github.com/alange0001/rocksdb_test

