ROART: Range-query Optimized Persistent ART

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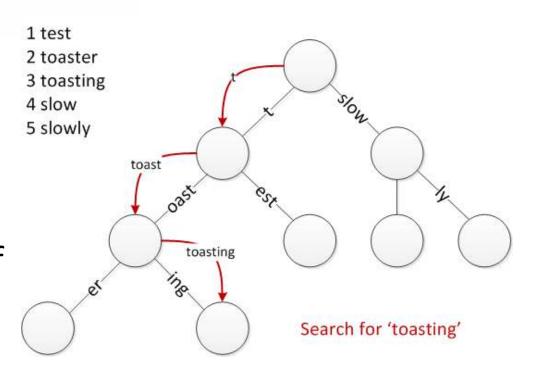
Background

> Radix Tree

- A space-optimized trie (prefix tree)
- Each internal node has at most r children ($r = 2^n, n \ge 1$)
- Edge: single element or sequences of elements

> Application

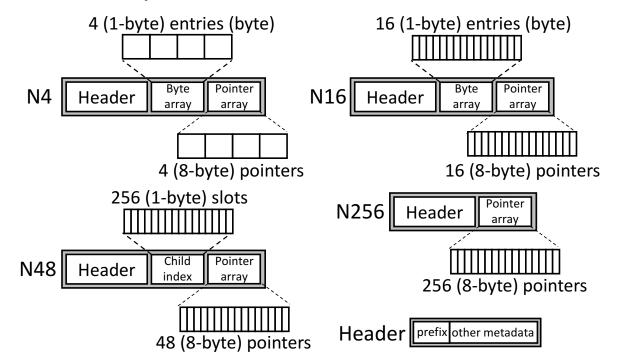
- Efficient for small sets or for sets of strings that share long prefixes
- URL matching (search engine)
- IP routing

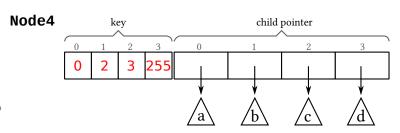


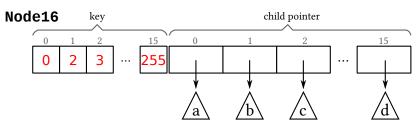
ART

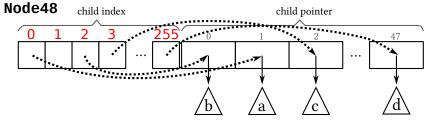
➤ ART: Adaptive Radix Tree

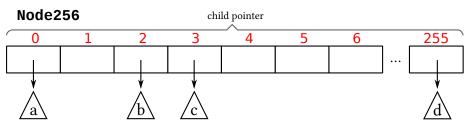
- Integrate adaptive node sizes to the radix tree
- Grow while adding new entries
- Better space of use without reducing speed compared with the radix tree











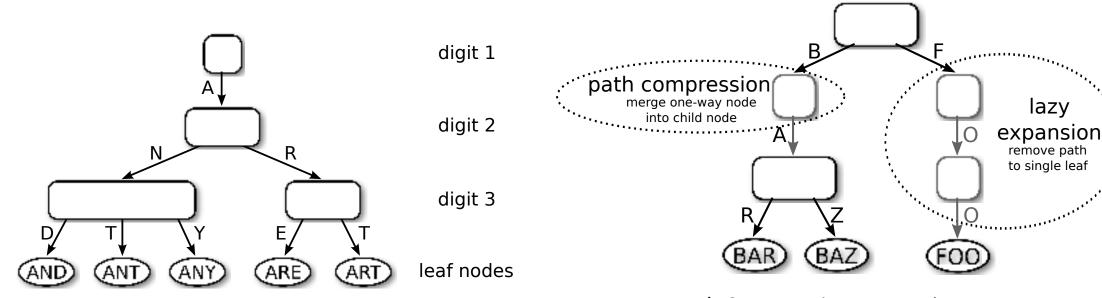
partial keys 0, 2, 3, and 255 are mapped to the subtrees a, b, c, and d

ART

> Techniques in ART

- Path compression
- Lazy expansion

Reduce height & Space



Adaptively sized nodes in **ART**

Path Compression: B-A-R \rightarrow BA-R

Lazy expansion: F-O-O \rightarrow F-OO

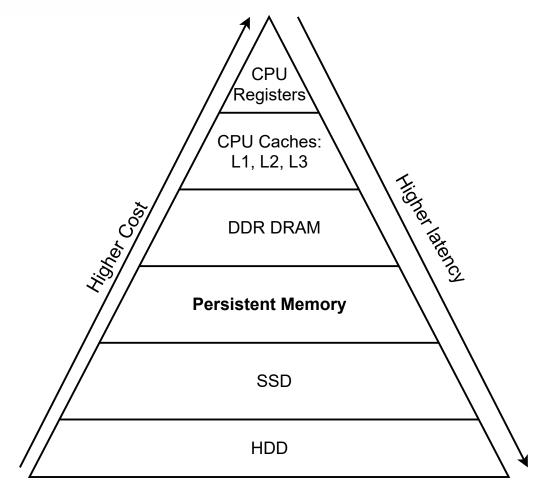
Persistent Memory

> Features

- Non-Volatile Memory
- Load/Store Instructions

Advantage

- Lower access latency than SSDs
- Cheaper than DRAM
- Byte-addressable && Memory-like access



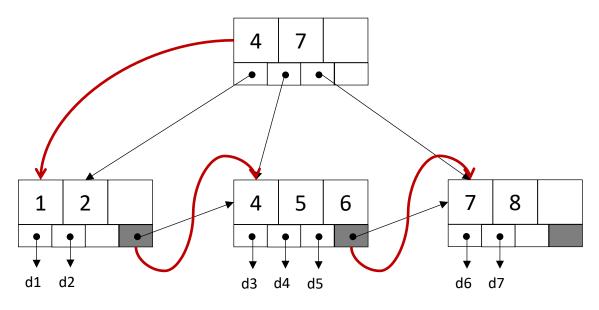
➤ Commercial persistent memory was available in 2019.04

Motivation I: Functionality

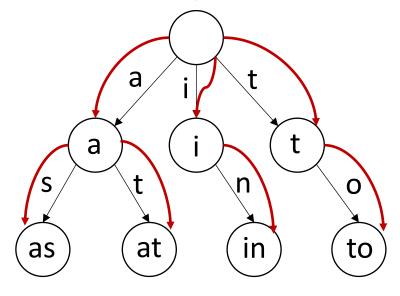
➤ Range Queries Support

Requirement of most KV stores (Redis, Memcached) and databases

(MySQL, PostgreSQL)



Pointer chasing in B⁺-Tree

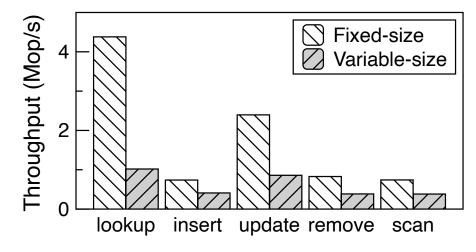


- ➤ Keys can be in leaf node or non-leaf node → Pointer chasing
- String Comparison

Motivation I: Functionality

- > Variable-sized Keys Performance
 - 1.8-3.9X Performance degradation in B+-Tree

- > Existing Solutions
 - Fixed-sized B⁺-Tree → Optimize 8byte keys only
 - Variable-sized B⁺-Tree (store the addresses of keys in indexes) → Incur more pointer chasing



FAST&FAIR (B+-Tree), 8-byte keys, 4-threads

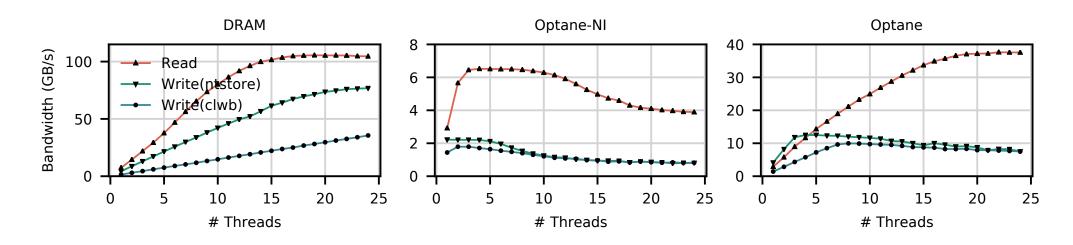
Performance Degration:

pointer chasing && string comparison during traversal

Motivation II: Performance

→ Poor write scalability

Reduce persistence overhead → crucial for performance



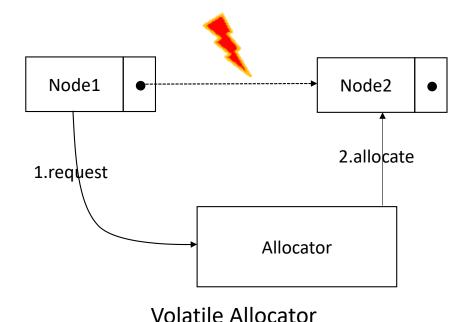
- Optane-NI: single persistent memory
- > Optane: 6 interleaved persistent memory
- ➤ All threads use a 256 B access size

Persistent Memory has the poor write scalability

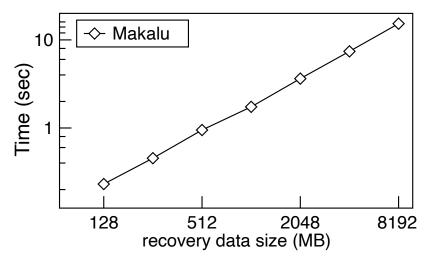
→ Avoid flush and memory fence as much as possible

Motivation III: Correctness

- > Memory Safety
 - Volatile Allocator → Memory Leaks
 - Persistent Allocator
 - Logging-based
 - Post-crash GC



- Logging-based
 - Constant time recovery
 - Slow allocation/deallocation
- Post-crash GC
 - Fast allocation/deallocation
 - Slow recovery



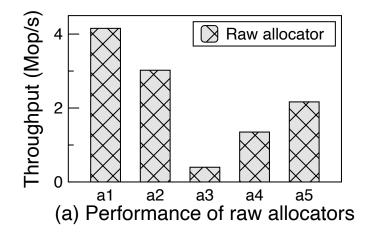
Makalu with post-crash GC

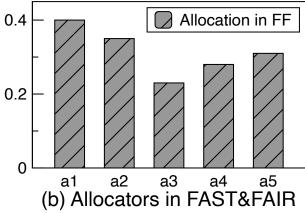
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> Allocator Performance

- a1: *malloc*, the standard volatile allocator for DRAM
- a2: *libvmmalloc*, volatile allocator based on jemalloc
- a3: PMDK, logging-based persistent allocator
- a4: nvm_malloc, logging-based persistent allocator
- a5: *Makalu*, persistent allocator with post-crash GC

Allocate 64-byte chunk, then write and persist them in a single thread





- (a) Makalu is 50% and 28% slower than malloc and libvmmalloc
- (b) Gaps between different cases are narrowed → Tree's traversal overhead

Motivation

> Functionality

- Range queries support
- Reduce pointer chasing

→ Leaf compaction based on ART

≻ Performance

Reduce PM writes/flush

→ Entry compression && Minimal persistence

Correctness

- Fast allocation
- Prevent memory leaks
- Fast recovery

→ **DCMM** with instant restart

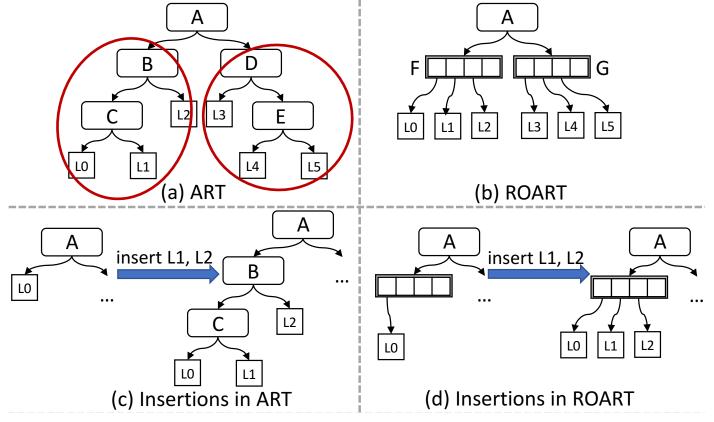
ROART

- > ROART, a Range Optimized based on Adaptative Radix Tree
 - Reduce pointer chasing
 - Reduce persistent overhead
 - Tend to lower the height of tree
- > Techniques
 - Leaf compaction
 - Entry Compression
 - Selective Metadata Persistence
 - Minimally Ordered Split
 - Delayed Check Memory Management(DCMM)

Leaf Compaction

> Leaf compaction

Compact the pointers of leaf nodes into a leaf array

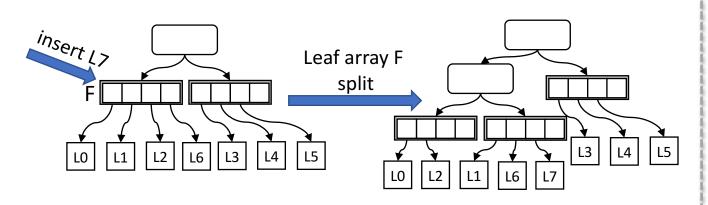


If a subtree of the radix tree has $\leq m$ leaf nodes, the subtree is compacted into a leaf array (m=4 in this case)

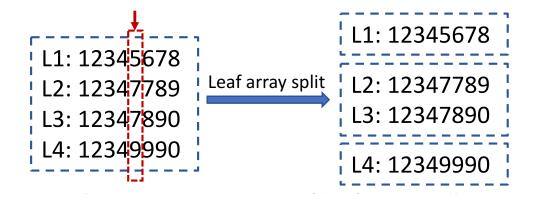
- ROART embeds fingerprints (hash) of key in leaf array to avoid comparison for most unnecessary cases
 - ✓ Pointer chasing ↓
 - ✓ Tree height ↓

Leaf Split

- > Leaf Split according to first non-common bytes
 - Split after the first non-common bytes
 - Split cost is high but rare



Insert L7; L1, L6 and L7 share the same prefix



Example of leaf array split

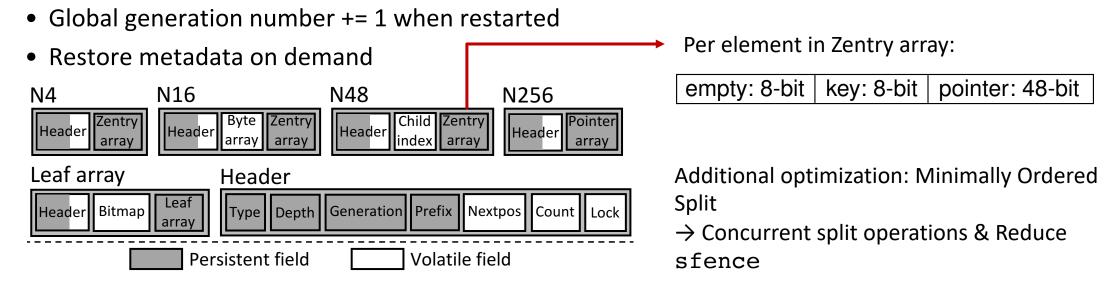
Optimize Persistent Overhead

> Entry Compression

Compact key byte into the pointer in N4, N16, N48

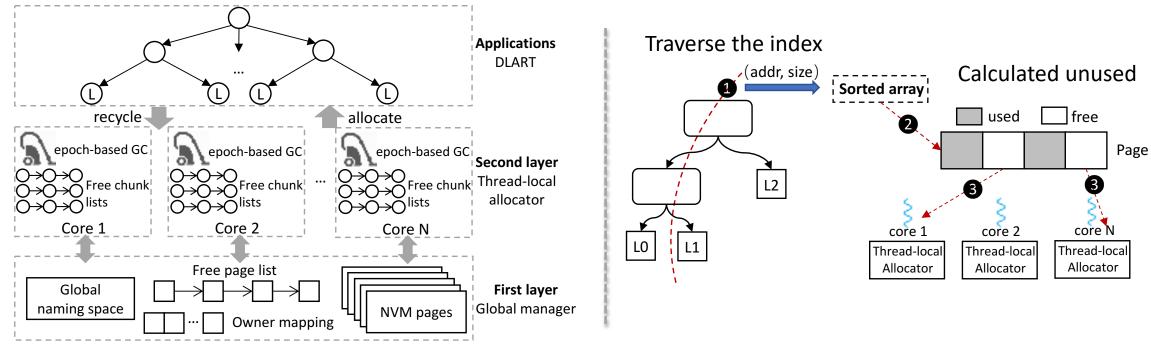
> Selective Metadata Persistence

- Do not persist data which can be computed by scanning Zentry or pointer array
- Generation is used for lazy recovery (Global generation number vs Node generation number)



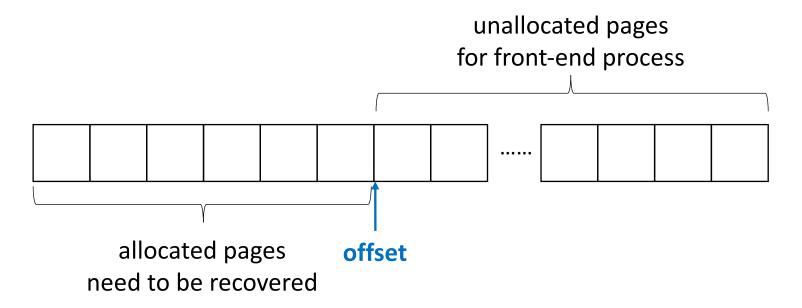
Allocator: DCMM

- > Delayed Check Memory Management (DCMM) based on post-crash GC
 - Global naming space: Contain the roots of indexes and an offset field indicating the offset of last allocated page
 - Obtain offset && increase **offset** (persistence required) to request a new page



Instant Restart

- Allocate immediately new pages after offset without waiting for other metadata recovery to complete
- > Additional: Lazy recovery
 - Global generation number (+=1 when restarted) ← Node generation number



Experimental Setup

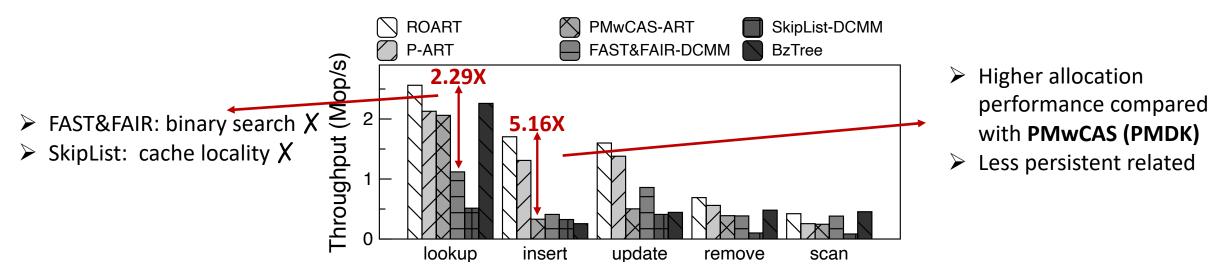
- Evaluation Setup
 - Dell PowerEdge R740 server
 - Four Intel(R) Xeon(R) Gold 5220 processors
 - 6×128GB Optane DC PMM per socket
 - 32KB L1-cache, 1MB L2-cache, and 25MB L3-cache
 - Persistent memory is managed by a DAX file system
- > Comparison
 - **P-ART** [SOSP'19]
 - PMwCAS-ART(based on PMwCAS [ICDE'18])
 - FAST&FAIR [FAST'18]
 - Lock-free SkipList [ATC'18]
 - BzTree [VLDB'18]

- Modify P-ART, FAST&FAIR and SkipList with DCMM allocator for a fair comparison.
- PMwCAS and BzTree use their own persistent allocators based on PMDK

Overall Performance

> Methodology

- 4 threads to generate randomly
- **Keys**: randomly generated with sizes: 4-128 bytes
- Values: fixed as 8 bytes

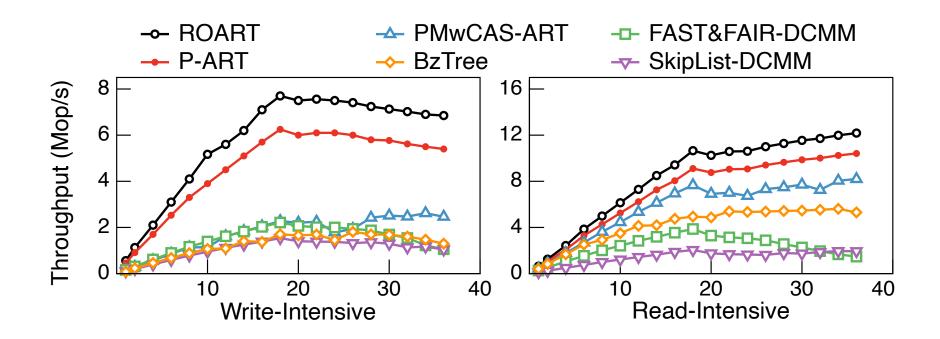


- **ROART** achieves 20%-24% throughput compared with P-ART and PMwCAS-ART because of leaf compaction mainly \rightarrow Lower the height of tree and benefit traversal
- **BzTree** has slotted-page node layout → Good cache locality for variable-sized KVs && Binary search 19

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• YCSB benchmark

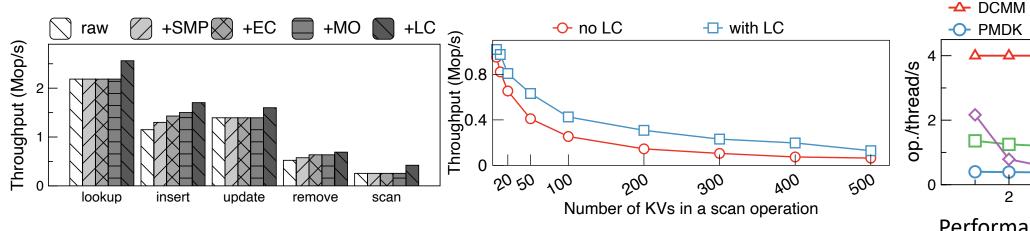


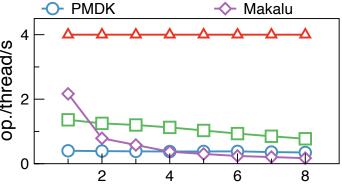
 \triangleright **ROART** achieves **2.78-6.57X** using 36 threads \rightarrow Less traversal and persistence

Microbenchmark

Each optimization

- **SMP**: Selective Metadata Persistence && **EC**: Entry Compression
- MO: Minimally Ordered split && LC: Leaf Compaction





Performance improvement of each optimization

Range queries with different key numbers

Performance with different allocators

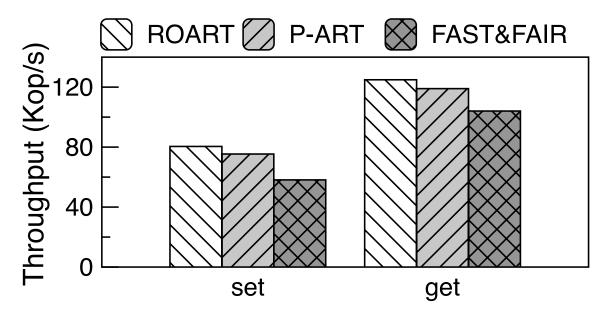
- > ROART with LC outperforms the version without LC by 1.07~2.01X
- DCMM: larger pages in a lock-free manner, page size is only 4K in Makalu (lock-based)

-- nvm malloc

Real-world Application Performance

> Test in Memcached

- Replace its hash index to three persistent indexes: ROART, P-ART, FAST&FAIR
- Single thread



➤ ROART outperforms P-ART and FAST&FAIR by up to 1.07X and 1.38X in set operations, 1.06X and 1.19X in get operations

Conclusion

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