

AliSQL: Breakthrough for the Future

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Introduction of AliSQL and what we did in the past years

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AliSQL key-value interface

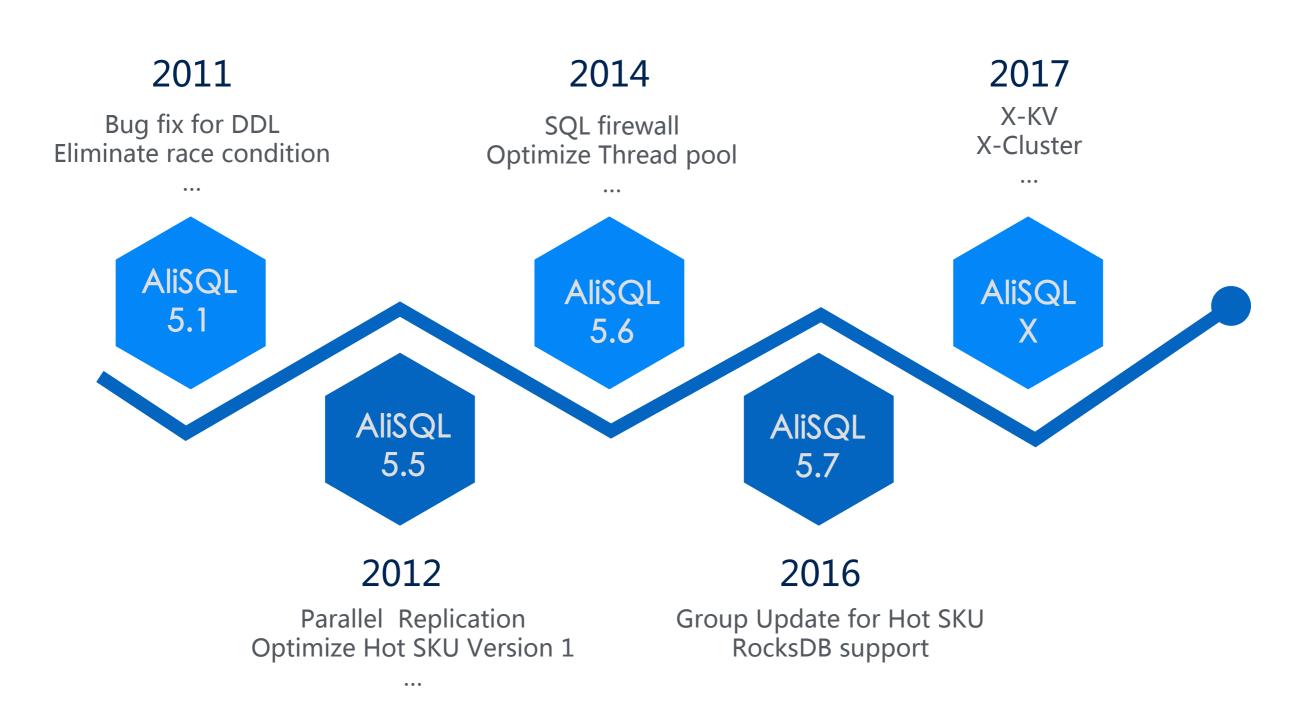
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AliSQL cluster solution





Roadmap



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First View of AliSQL

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commit_on_success hints

Group prepare

Enhanced Thread Pool

Select from Update

Hot SKU Optimization

Dual redo log buffers

Table-level Parallel Replication

PK access optimization

Table Lock optimization for select

Enhanced Semi-Sync Replication

Single row update reached 100,000 per second By one AliSQL instance last year



Single's Day is Always a challenge

We Need...

- Extreme performance
- Strong data consistency
- Low Cost







What is X-KV

AliSQL KV Interface

An extended Key-Value API for AliSQL which based on InnoDB memcache plugin

- There were so many simple queries according to unique keys
- Data Consistency is very important for us
- SQL parsing and Query Optimization is too expensive

Differences between Innodb memcache plugin and X-KV?



What is X-KV

AliSQL KV Interface

Current InnoDB memcache plugin cannot satisfy our needs

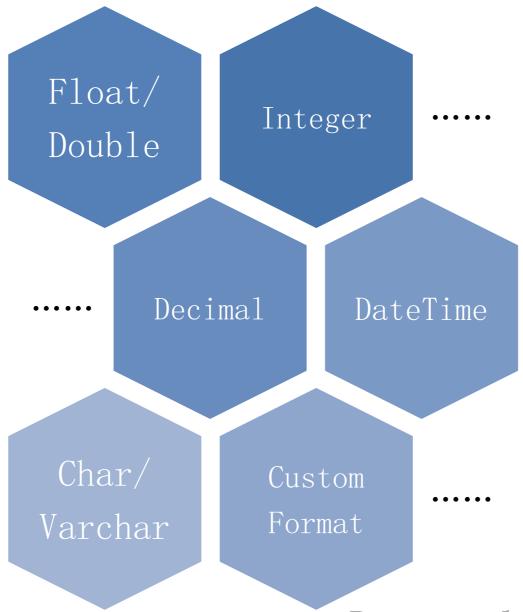
- Support More data types and index types
- Design new protocol
- Optimize the performance
- Easy operation and maintenance



Data Types Support

X-KV

Char/Varchar/Blob are not enough!!!

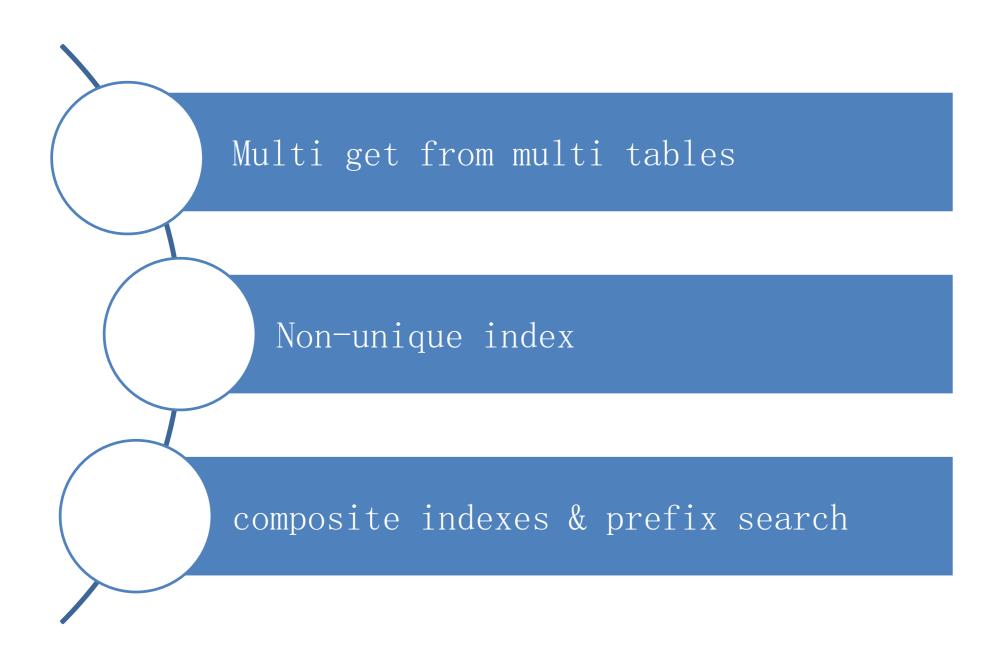


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Features extension

X-KV





New Protocol

X-KV

- ☐ How to deal with NULL value?
- How to choose delimiter?
- How to support composite index?

C1 (PK)	C2	C3	C4	C5
1	NULL	Slad	Steve#	3000

- Field = Meta info + Data
- Comosit index support : get [@@name.]key1 [key2] ... [keyN]
- Meta info format:



Convenience

X-KV

How to deal the cases when user table schema changed

Original solution is to stop request and then reinstall plugin

Unacceptable

X-KV Support Online Schema Change

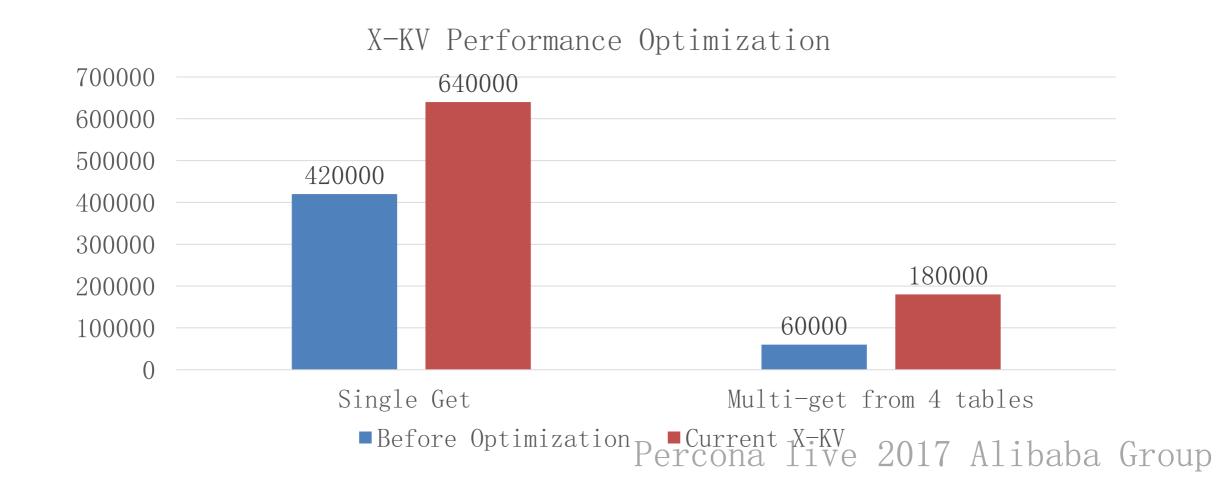
- Not block user queries from KV interface
- Configurations are loaded dynamically



X-KV performance optimization

Profiling result shows bottlenecks In our production environment

- Efficiency of serialization
- Allocation of transactions
- Container info verifying







Background

Article: Existential Consistency: Measuring and Understanding Consistency at Facebook

Large web services faces a trade-off between stronger forms of consistency and higher performance properties.

For Alibaba:

- Data consistency is the most important thing
- High performance is also indispensable



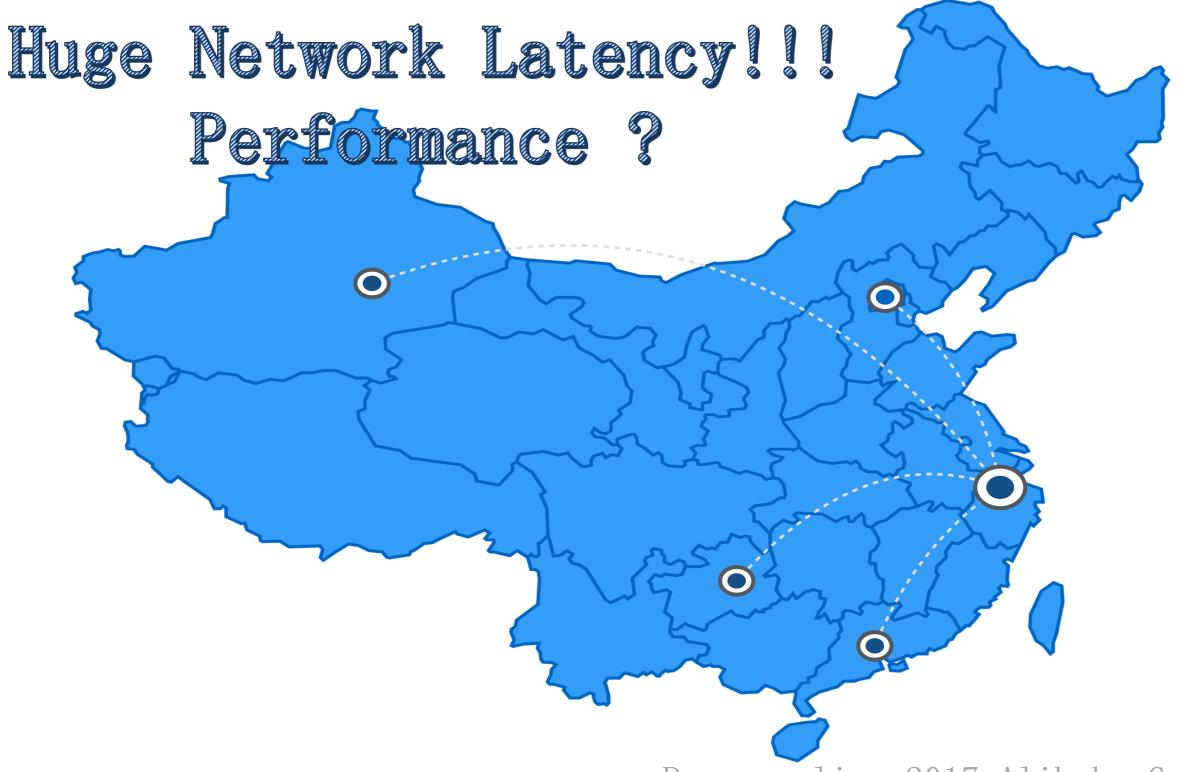
Ideas

The cluster solution must...

- Using Consensus protocol to handle the data consistency problem
- Take advantages of AliSQL
- Using Batching/Pipelining/Asynchronization to boost performance



Our Problems

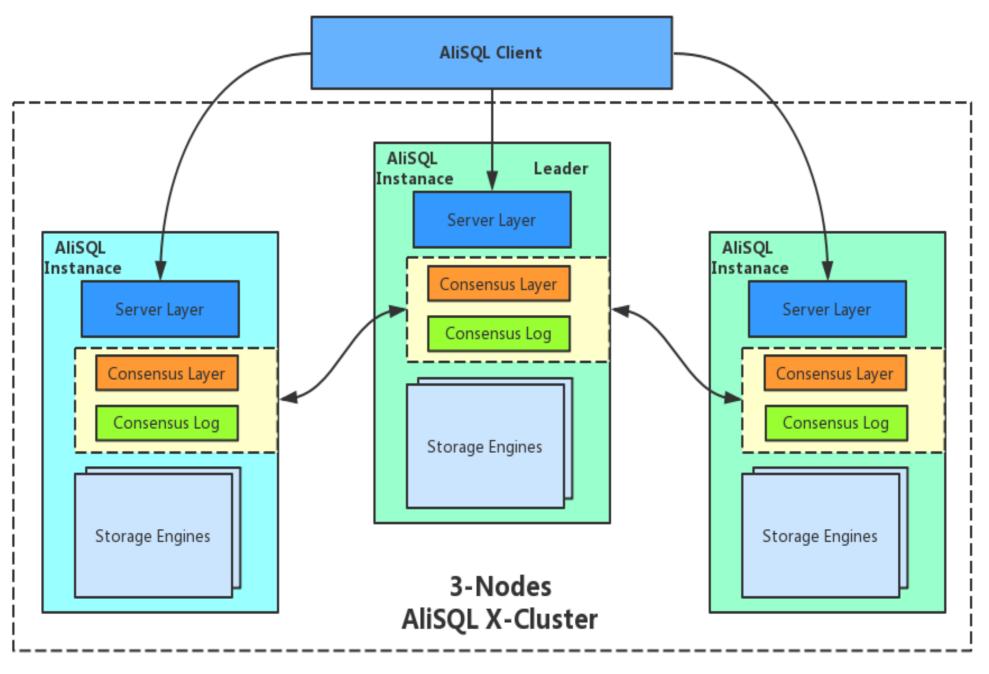


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What is X-Cluster

AliSQL Cluster With high availability and strong consistency



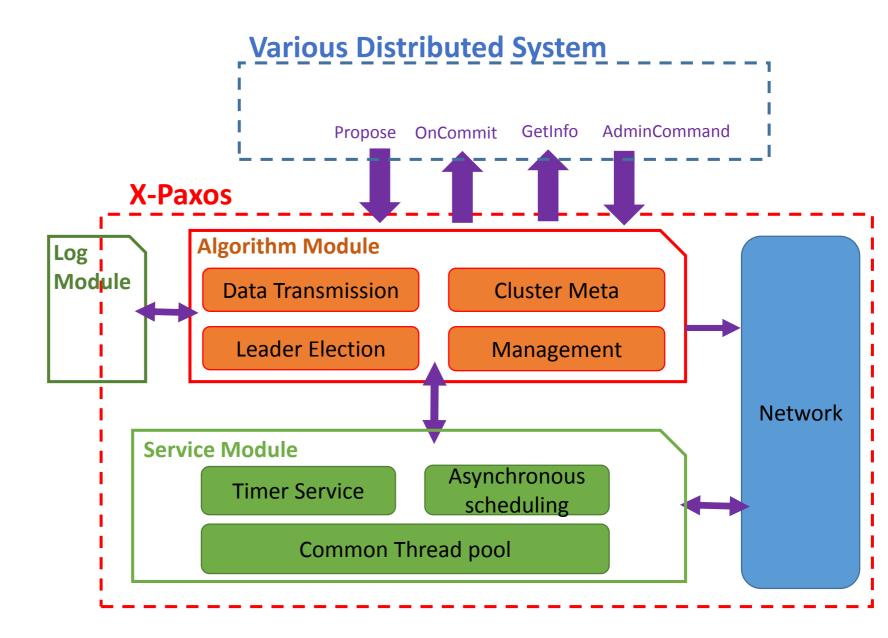
X-Paxos instead of M-S Replication



X-Paxos

Consensus Library With Extreme High Performance And Availability

- Multi Paxos Algorithm
- Async Framework
- Pluggable Log

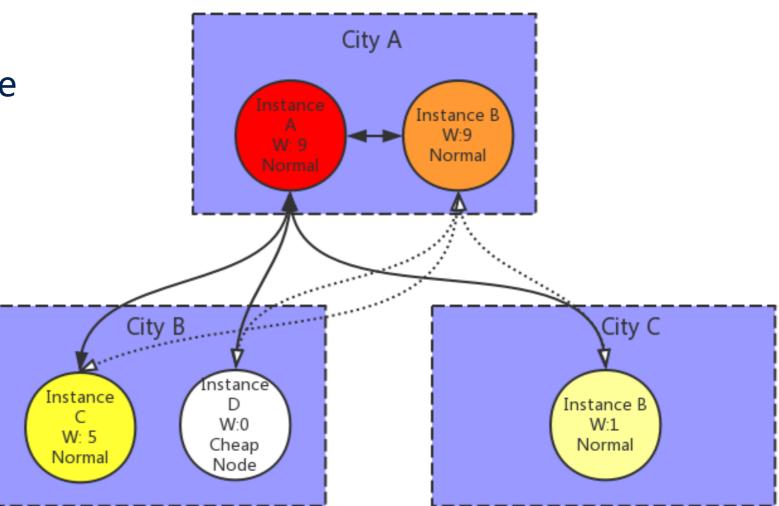




X-Paxos

Features Description

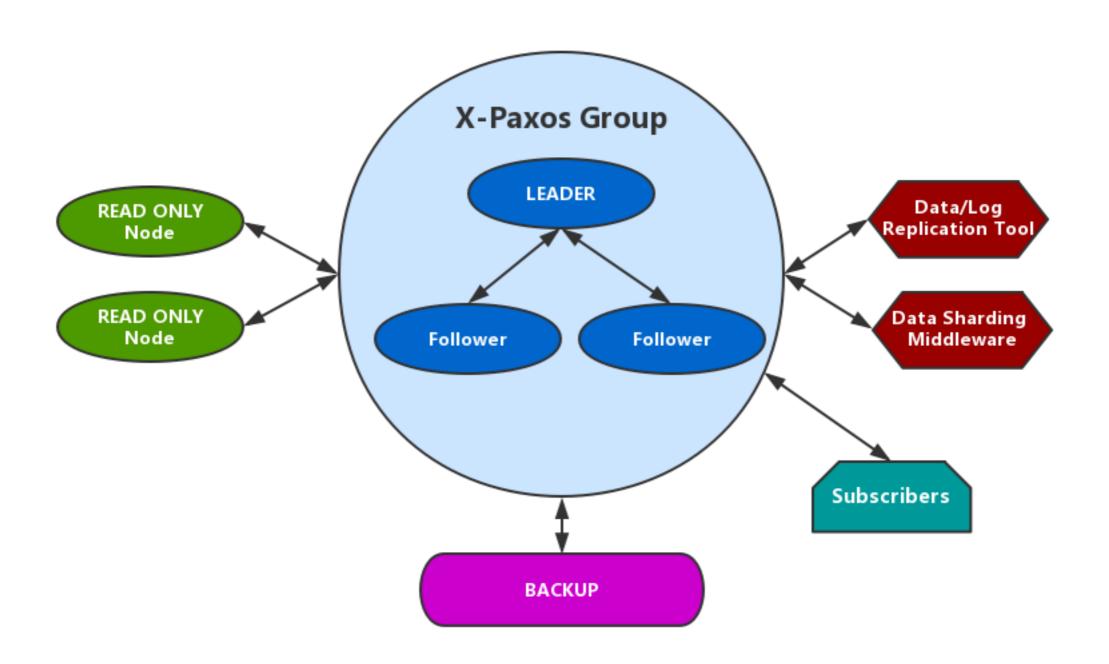
- Online Member Change
- Election Weights
- Customized Role





X-Cluster System With X-Paxos

Witness SDK





X-Cluster

- X Cluster uses X-Paxos Pluggable log feature, and design the consensus log with binlog format.
- Consensus Log = Binlog + Relay Log, One instance One Consensus log.
- Transaction is permitted to commit only if majority of instances in the cluster synchronized the log.



Optimization on Performance

Log Replication & Server layer



Batching

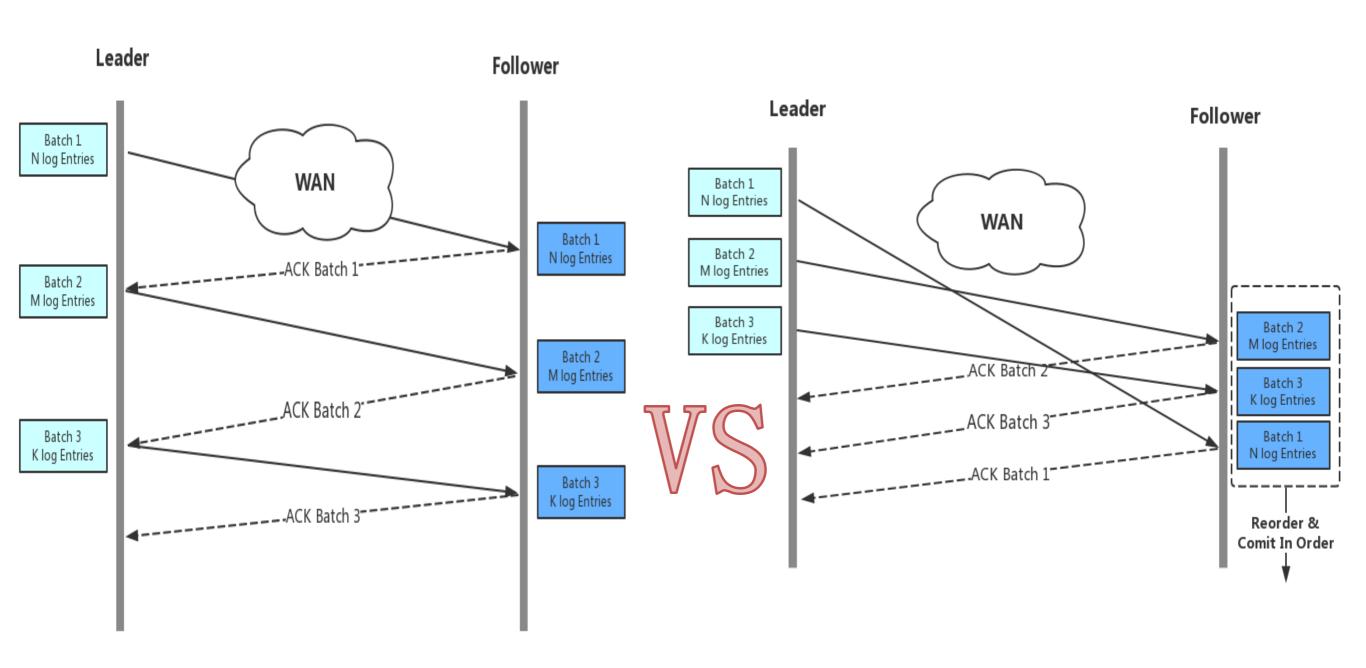
Pipelining





Optimization on X-Paxos

Log Replication batching & Pipelining

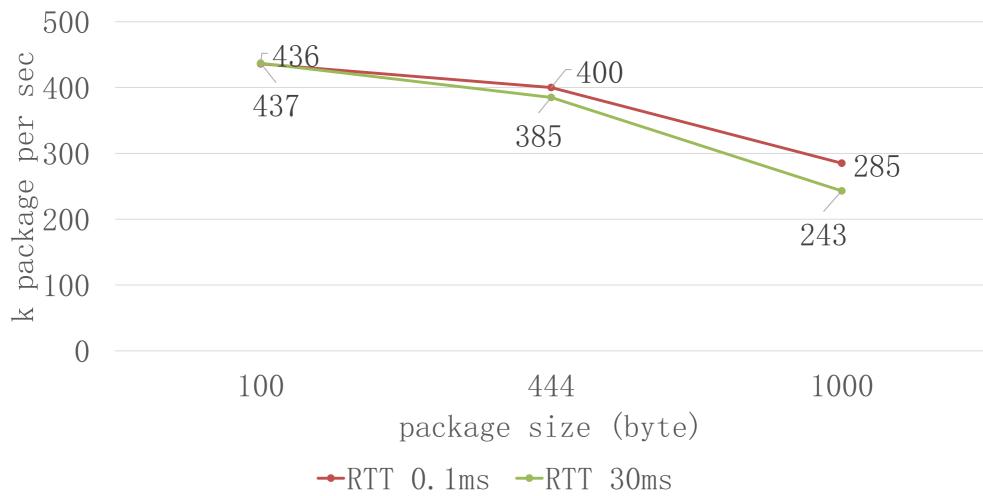




Performance of X-Paxos

Low latency & High latency





Throughput of X-Paxos is almost same in low and high latency network



Optimization of X-Cluster

Another problem in High Latency network

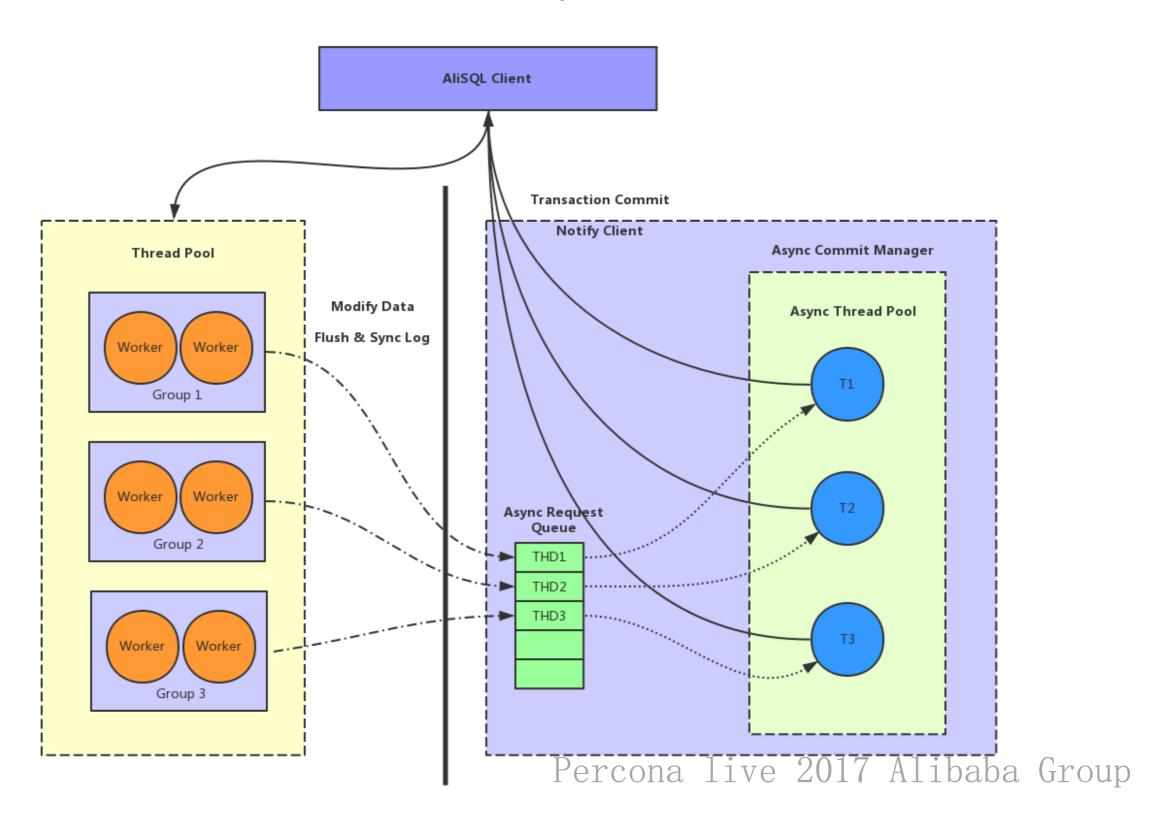
Thread pool limit the number of concurrent worker threads to eliminate the data race, but most of the threads are waiting for Committing !!!





Asynchronously Commit

Commit Thread pool



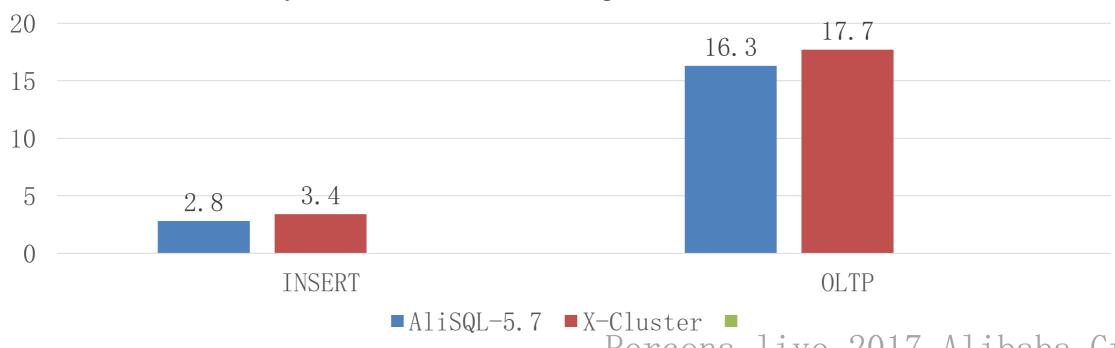


Benchmark





Sysbench Insert & Oltp RT Performance

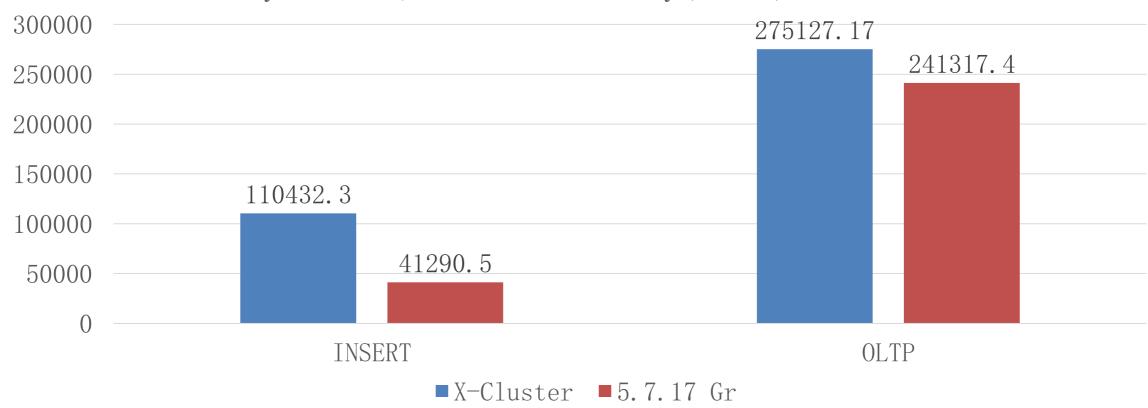


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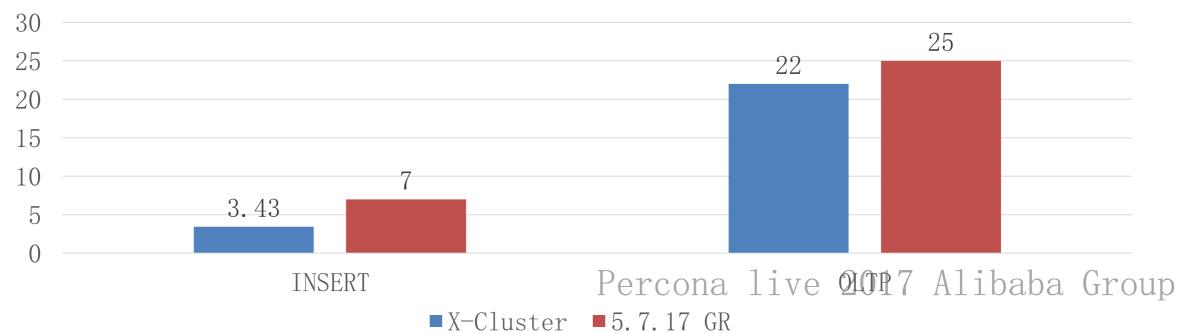


X-Cluster vs GR





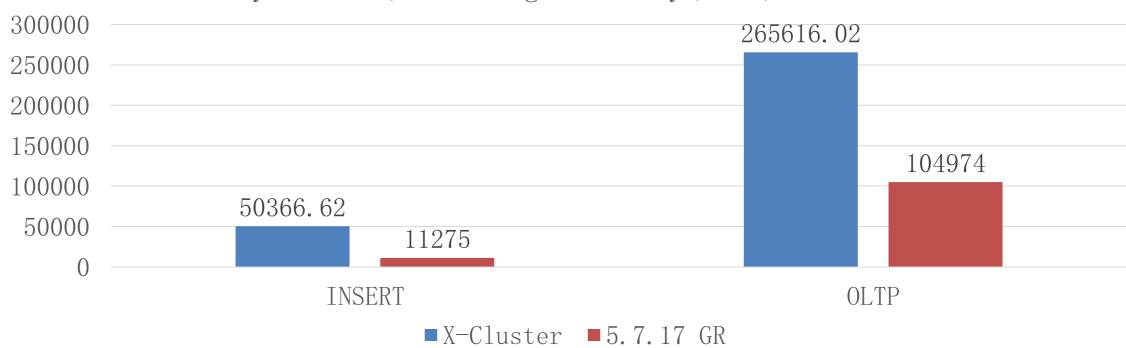
Sysbench RT in low latency (0.1ms) network





X-Cluster vs GR





Sysbench RT in high latency (30ms) network





Summary

X-KV and X-Cluster is Our new solution base AliSQL

- X-KV
 - More data types
 - New protocol
 - Better performance
 - Easy maintenance

X-Cluster

- Strong consistency
- Geo distributed
- High performance

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Q&A

Thank you

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