Zyzzyva, Proof of Execution, Practical Byzantine Fault Tolerance Discussion

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PBFT

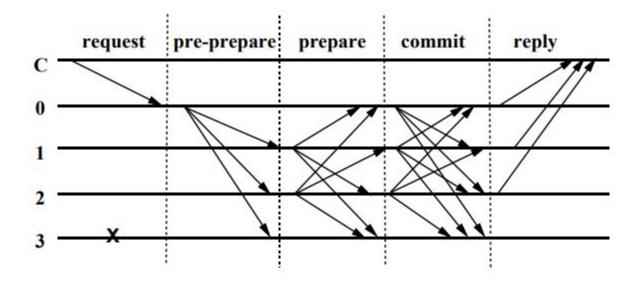
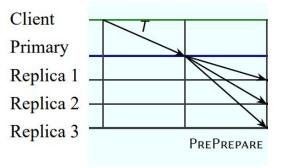


Figure 1: Normal Case Operation

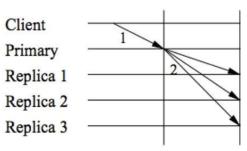


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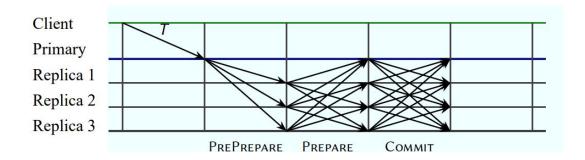
Client

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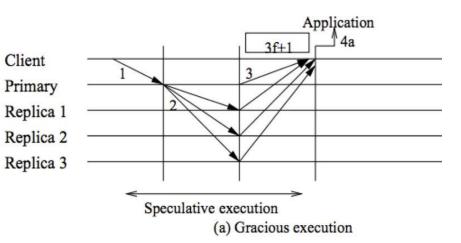




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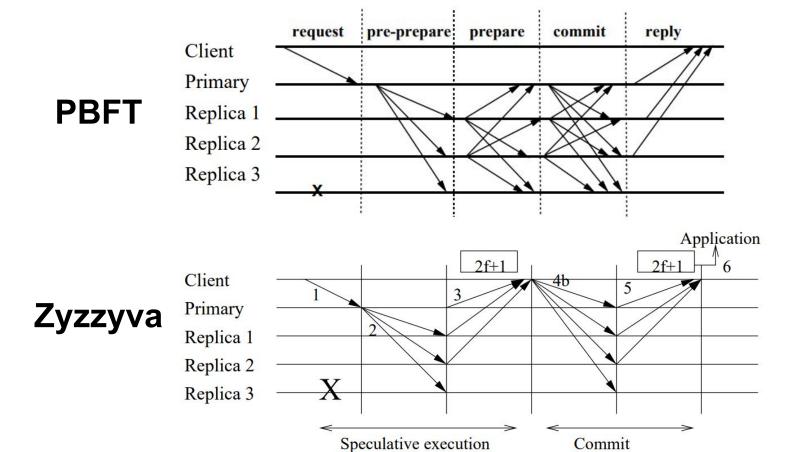




request pre-prepare prepare Client **Primary PBFT** Replica 1 Replica 2 Replica 3 2f+1 Client **Primary** Zyzzyva Replica 1 Replica 2

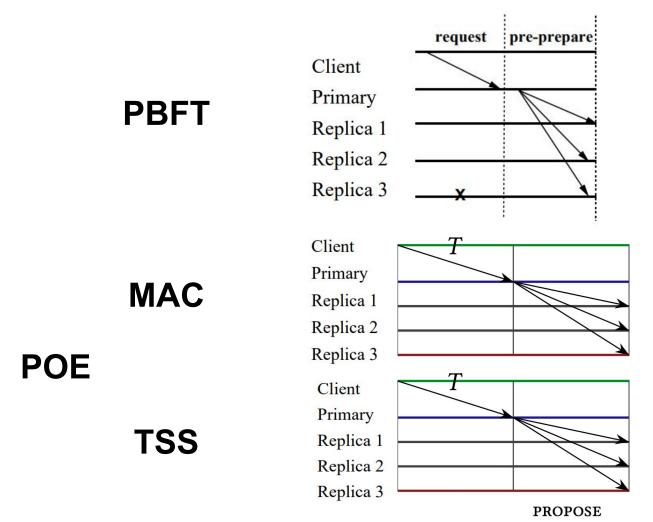
Replica 3



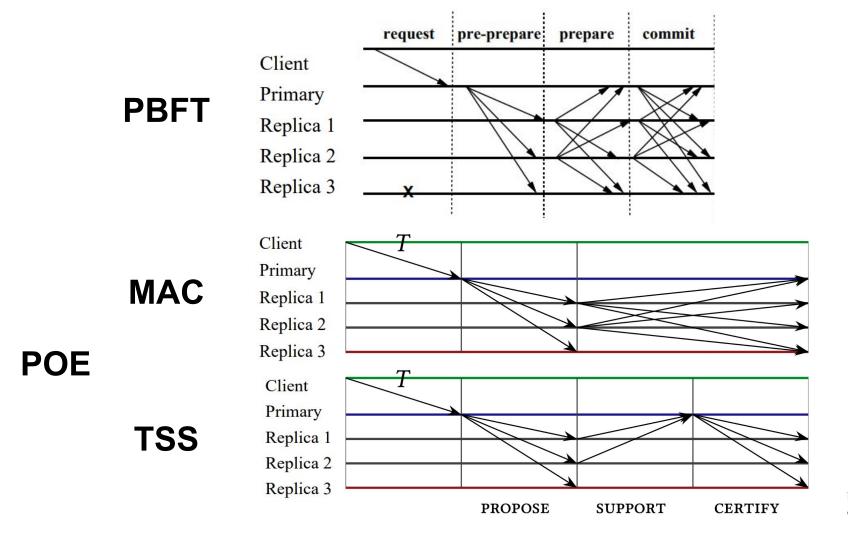


(b) Faulty replica

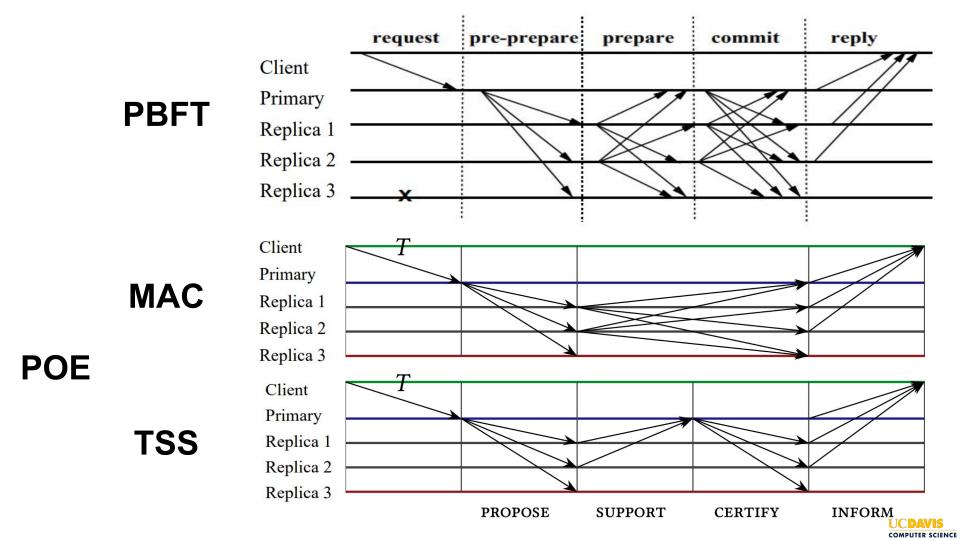


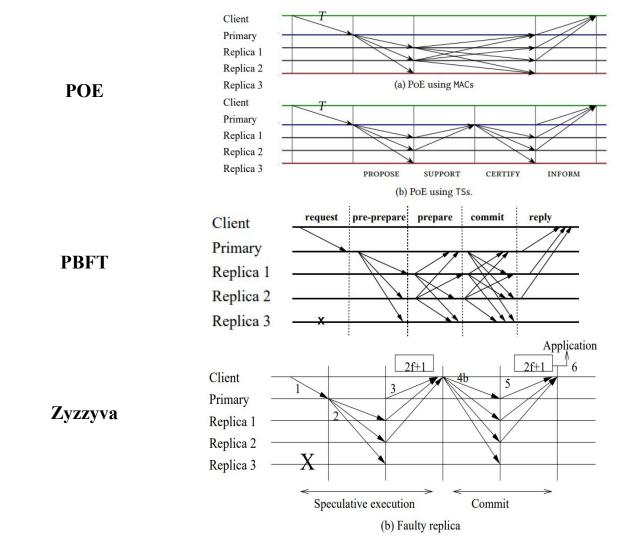














Zyzzyva: View Change



View Change Protocol

- Guarantees of electing a new primary.
- It requires a correct replica
 - To observe the primary as faulty
 - Possess evidence that f+1 replicas have committed to a View-Change.
- Traditional methods (Byzantine) needs to maintain the history of the requests.
- Additional properties of View-Change Protocol in Zyzzyva
 - Liveness
 - Safety



Liveness: Missing Phase

- Strengthens commitment of correct replica by adding "I hate new Primary" phase.
- Liveness brings "Prepare" and "Commit" phase into one single phase (following PBFT).
- Every **correct** replica has to abandon a view for view-change.
- Procedure
 - A correct replica uses voting system (no-confidence votes) across other correct replica to identify faulty primary.
 - If atleast f+1 votes, then View-Change is started to change the primary.
 - They use the rule **I-Hate-New-Primary** rule to elect for a faulty primary.



Safety: Uncommitted Request

- Weakens when request appears in the history included in the message.
- In case of **2f + 1** responses received by client
 - Correct replica has at least f+1 commit certificates
 - VIEW-CHANGE will contain all the commit certificates received from a LOCAL-COMMIT.
- In case of 3f + 1 responses received by client
 - No commit certificate in this case
 - All ORDER-REQ messages are saved in all the correct replicas.
 - New Primary would include all the ORDER-REQ messages into its history.
- There is no case where 2 completed requests can have the same sequence number by correct replica. This is a benign case of preserving safety.



Section 3: Correctness

1. Safety:

- a. Agreement protocol is safe within single view
 - i. No Two requests complete with the same sequence number n
 - ii. h_n is a prefix of h_n , for n < n' and completed request r and r'
- b. Agreement and view protocol together ensure safety across views
- 2. Liveness: Zyzzyva guarantees liveness only during periods of synchrony
 - a. If **primary** is **correct** when a correct client issues the request, then the **request completes**
 - b. If a request from a correct client **does not complete** during the **current view** then the **view change does not complete** during the **current view** then a view change occurs

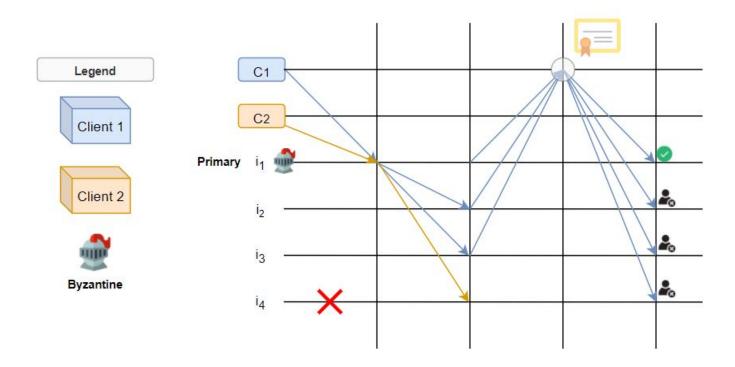


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Breaking Safety

Scenario 1

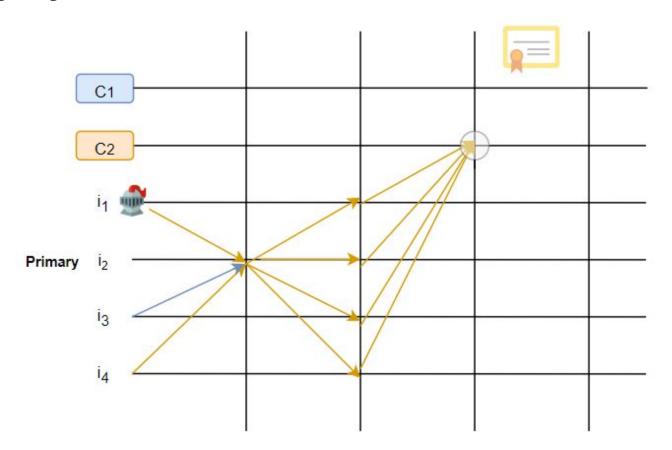
View 1: Creating a commit-certificate for (a).





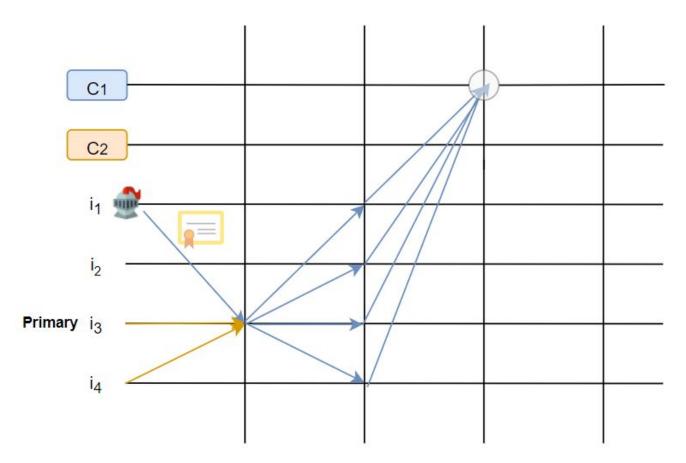
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View 2: Deciding (b).





View 3: Choosing the wrong commit-certificate



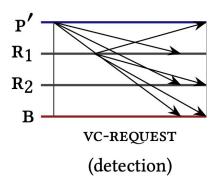
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Proof of Execution - View Change

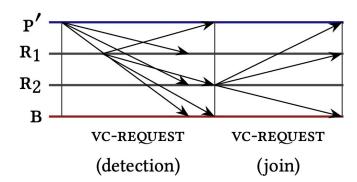
- Replicas elect new primary
- Needs to be detected by all non faulty replicas
- All replicas establish which transactions were included in view v
- A new primary proposes a new view.
 - If valid, the replicas switch over
 - If not, view change is initiated again

POE



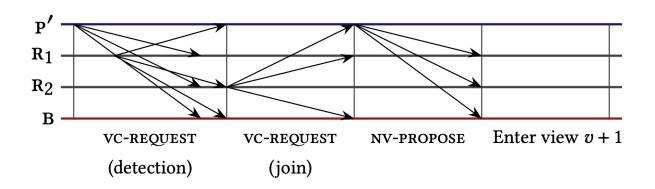


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Discussion

Zyzzyva Uses Speculation

- Reduce cost of BFT
- Simplify design of BFT

Zyzzyva Advantages over QU (Query Update)

- 1. **Fewer** replicas
- 2. Improved throughput via **batching**
- 3. **Simpler** State Machine Replication Semantics
- 4. Ability to support **high** contention **workloads**

Zyzzyva Disadvantages over QU

- 1. Will this actually **resolve** the problem?
- 2. What if there is an **extra** work?
- 3. Simpler does **not** mean it works **all** the **time**.

Q/U sidesteps this lower bound by providing a slightly weaker service than state machine replication and optimizes cases without concurrent access to any state

Zyzzyva vs PBFT

Zyzzyva reduces cryptographic overheads and increases peak throughout by a factor of two to an order of magnitude for demanding workloads.



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Proof Of Execution

- Reduce cost of BFT
- Simplify design of BFT

POE Advantages

- 1. Fewer Replicas
- 2. Out of order processing
- 3. Speculative Execution
- 4. No Response Aggregation

POE vs PBFT

POE reduces the amount of communication between replicas and increases throughput across multiple factors



Zyzzyva Evaluation



Evaluation

The protocol was evaluated on the following:

- 1. Throughput
- 2. Latency
- 3. Fault Scalability
- 4. Performance During Failures

Protocols to be compared

Query/Update (Q/U)

Hybrid-Quorum replication (HQ Replication)

Practical Byzantine Fault Tolerance (PBFT)

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Throughput

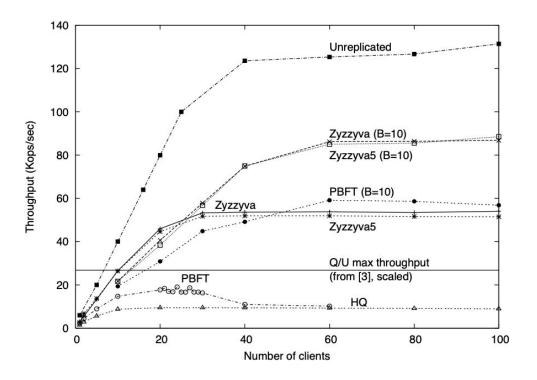


Figure 3: Realized throughput for the 0/0 benchmark as the number of client varies for systems configured to tolerate f = 1 faults.



Latency

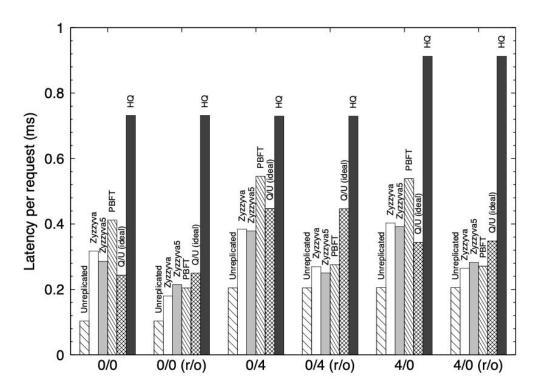


Figure 4: Latency for 0/0, 0/4, and 4/0 benchmarks for systems configured to tolerate f = 1 faults.



Fault Scalability

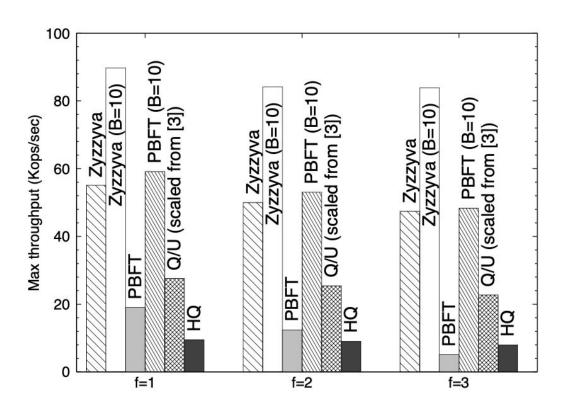


Figure 6: Fault scalability: Peak throughputs



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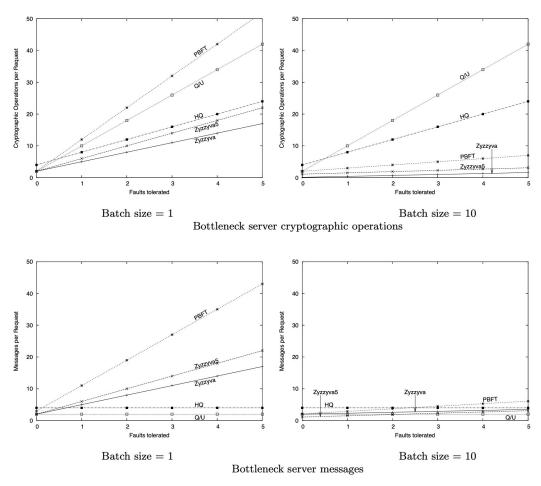


Figure 7: Fault scalability using analytical model



Performance During Failure

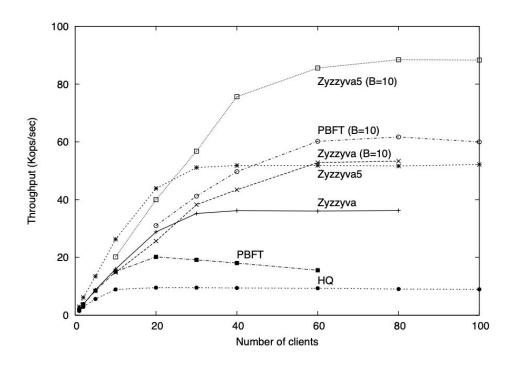


Figure 8: Realized throughput for the 0/0 benchmark as the number of client varies when f non-primary replicas fail to respond to requests.



Zyzzyva Implementation Optimizations



Implementation Optimizations

The protocol has 7 optimizations that were applied:

- 1. Replacing Signatures with MACS
- 2. Separating Agreement from Execution
- 3. Request Batching
- 4. Caching Out of Order Requests
- 5. Read-Only Optimization
- 6. Single Execution Response
- 7. Preferred Quorums



Proof of Execution: Evaluation



Evaluation

POE was evaluated against the following criteria

- 1. Performance under failures
- 2. Benefit to batching client requests
- 3. Performance under zero payload
- 4. Scalability

Protocols to be compared

Practical Byzantine Fault Tolerance (PBFT)

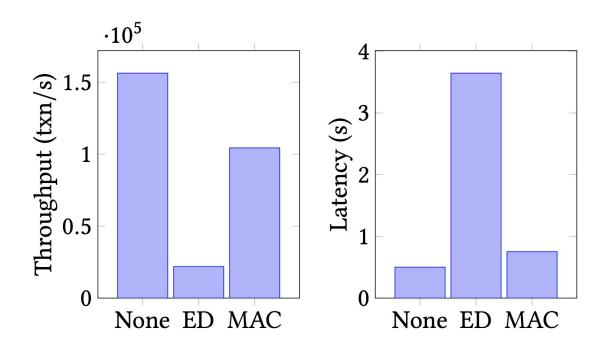
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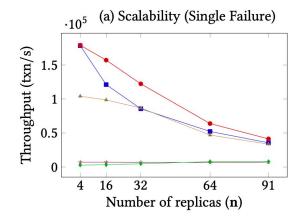


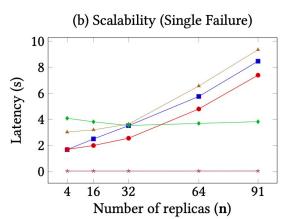
Evaluation - Performance with different signature schemes

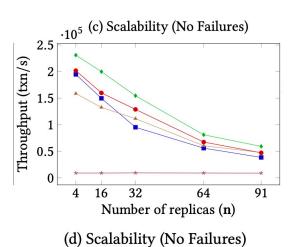


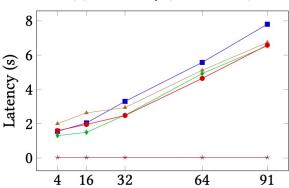


Evaluation - Scalability



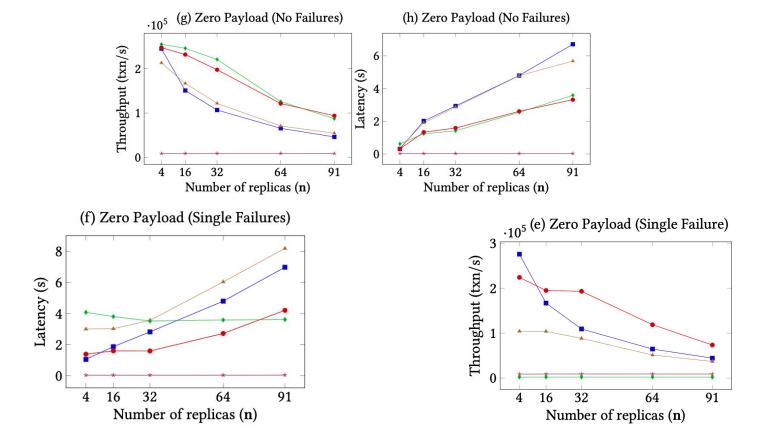




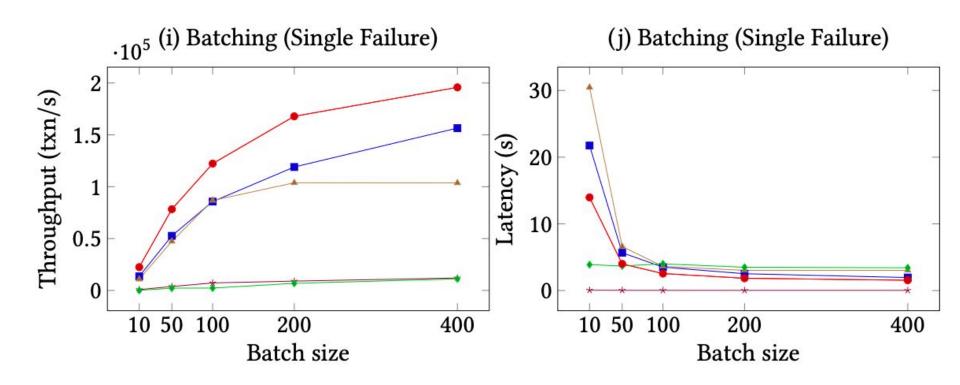


Number of replicas (n)

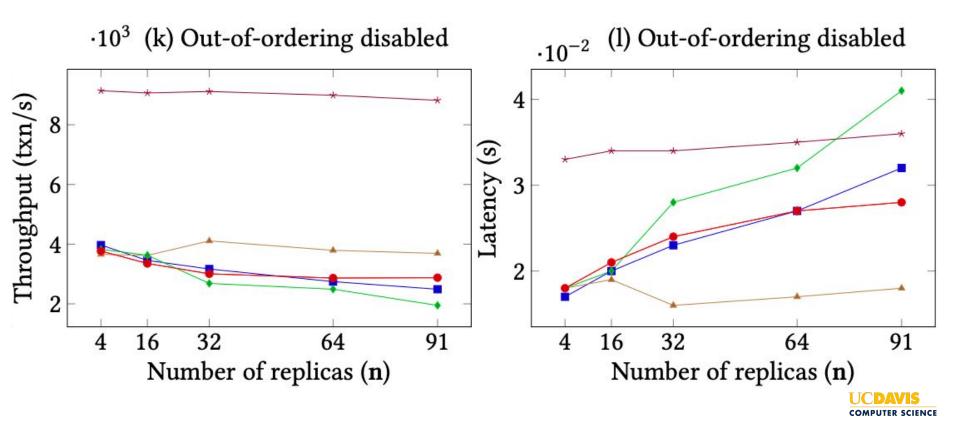
Evaluation - Zero Payload



Evaluation - Batching



Evaluation - Out of Order Execution



Evaluation - Failures

