LibreS3

Design, challenges and steps toward reusable libraries

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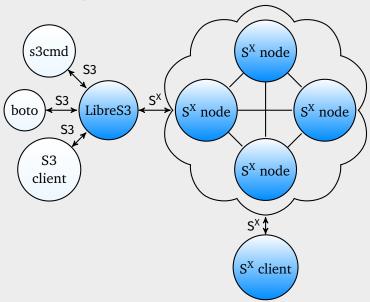
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Concepts

- Monads
 - deferred computations
 - result monad
- S3 server
 - proprietary: Amazon S3 server
 - FOSS replacements



S^X cluster, LibreS3 server





- some code in LibreS3 could be generalized
 - caching, json/xml parse to/generate from OCaml types, http, I/O
- available as sample code: any-cache, any-http



any-cache

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val lookup_exn: (\alpha, \text{ exn}) t \rightarrow string \rightarrow (string \rightarrow \alpha M.t) \rightarrow \alpha M.t
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- Algorithm: Least Recently Used cache with 2 Queues
- Functorized interface, parameter: a result monad
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- Testing: a functor using OUnit, instantiated with Lwt/Async/immediate



any-http

- not novel, very similar to Mirage
- functor interface based on Cohttp API
- implementations: Lwt&Ocsigenserver, Lwt&Cohttp, Async&Cohttp
- use: write REST applications independent of HTTP/monadic concurrency library
- testing: compatibility testing between multiple HTTP implementations



Bugs

- double-release of OCaml runtime lock in OCamlNet, ocaml-ssl
 - debugging: patch OCaml's thread runtime (on mantis)
- Unix.fork vs Lwt_unix.fork
- ...





Packaging

- Easy if your user has OPAM, but ...
 - lack of "new enough" (RHEL/CentOS 6)
 - ▶ newer compiler versions: 3.12.1, 4.00.1
 - opam switches: 4.01.0+lsb, 4.01.0+musl+static
 - lack of complete packaging workflow (opam2rpm?)

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Summary

- LibreS3: a FOSS implementation of the S3 server protocol
- Reusable libraries: any-cache, any-http
- Bugs, packaging issues

- Future work
 - any-io, ioconvcomb
 - opam2release

Additional material: http://goo.gl/jmFOcn

