



Live Migration of vGPU

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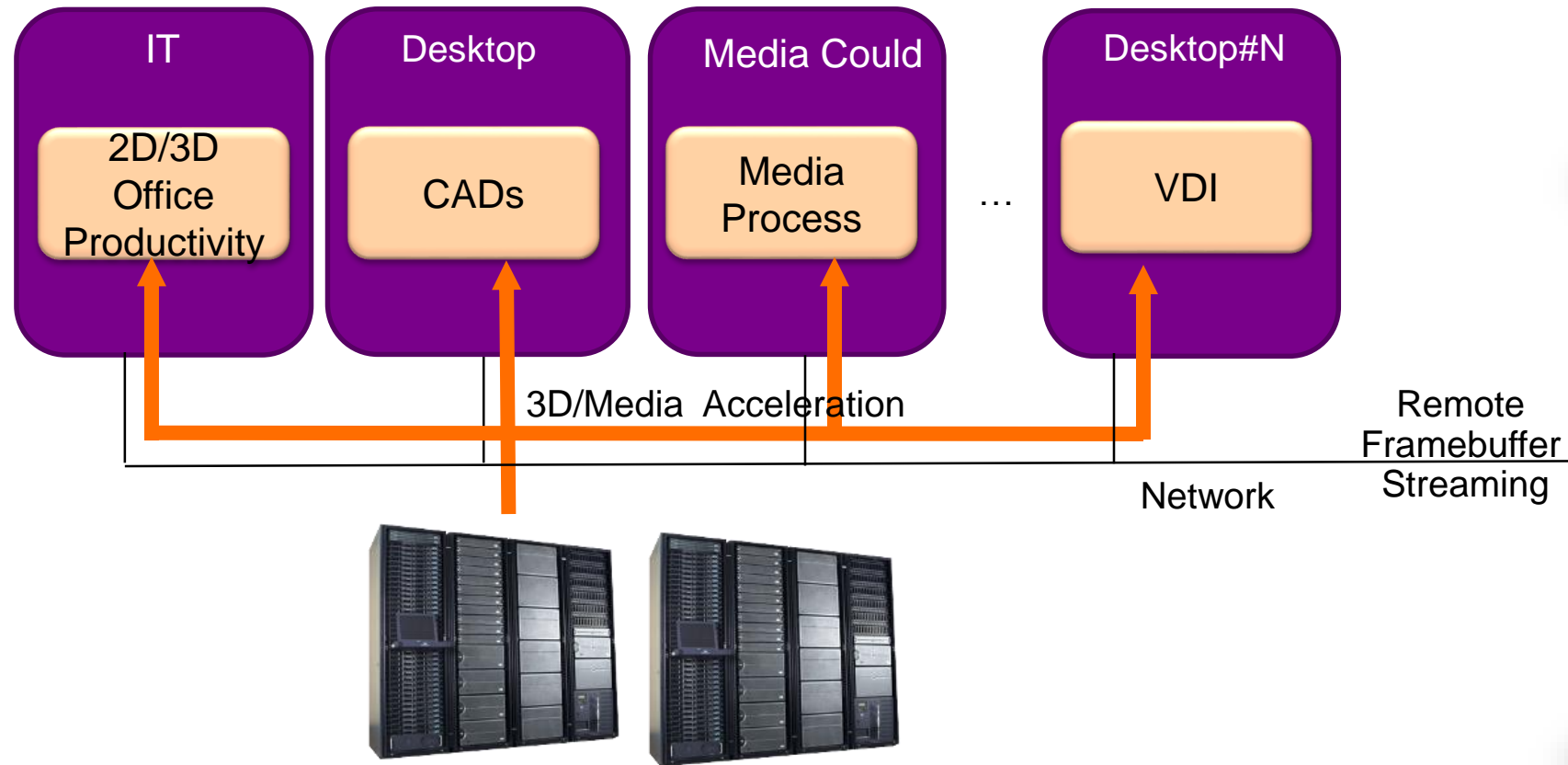
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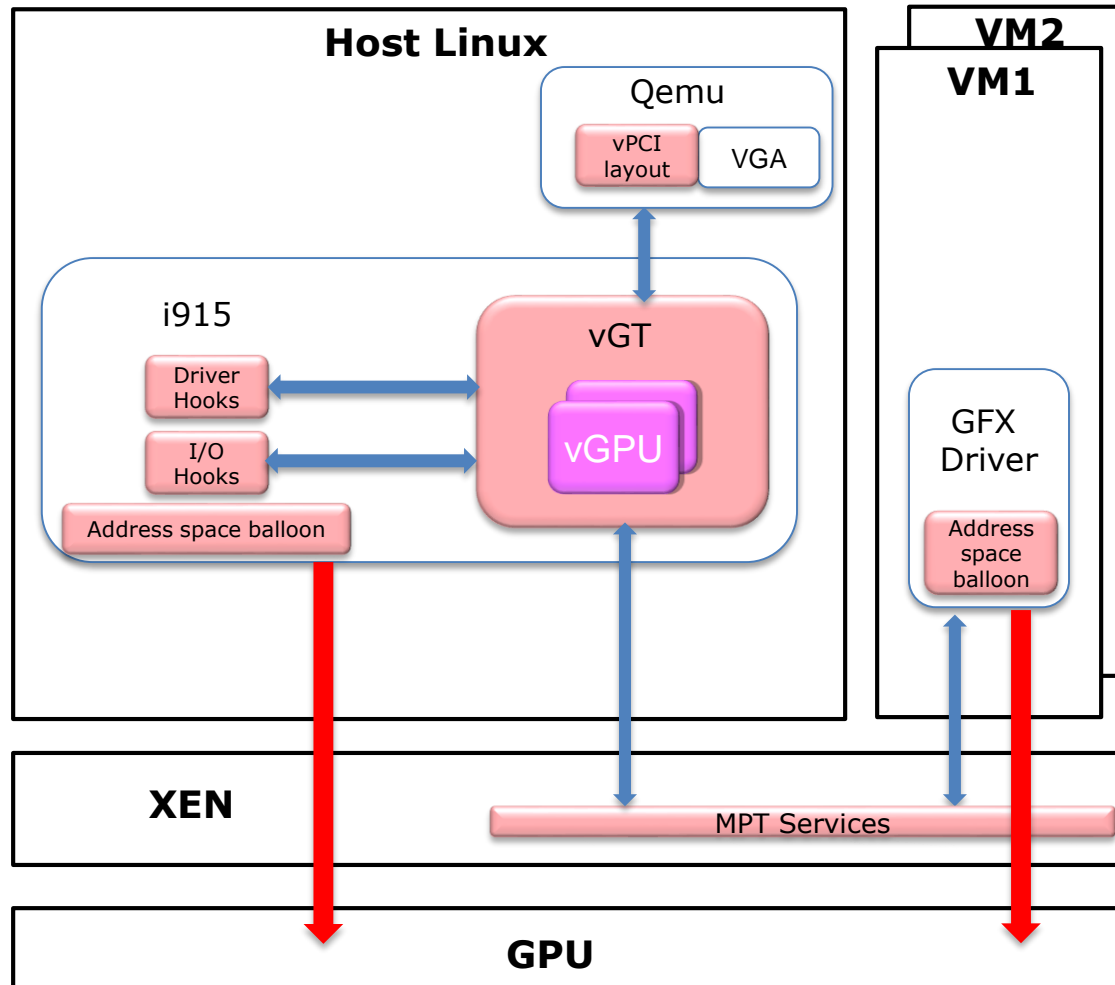
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GPU Virtualization Usage Cases



XENGT Architecture – Mediated Pass-through



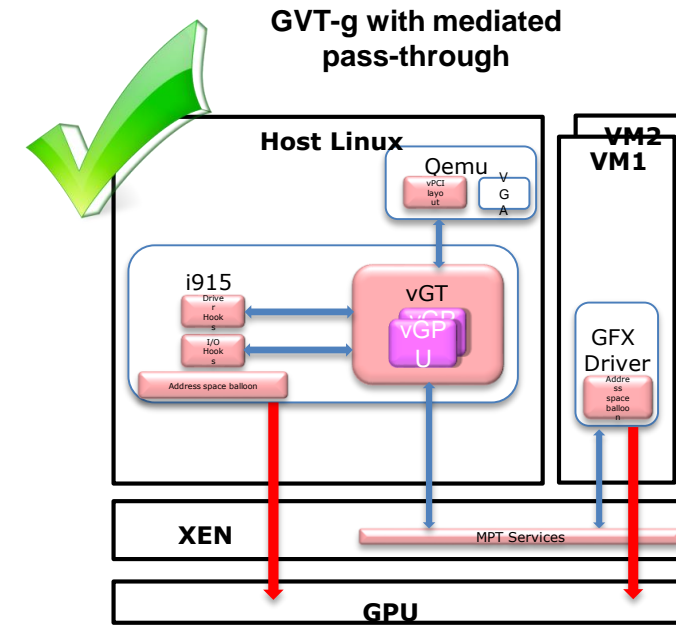
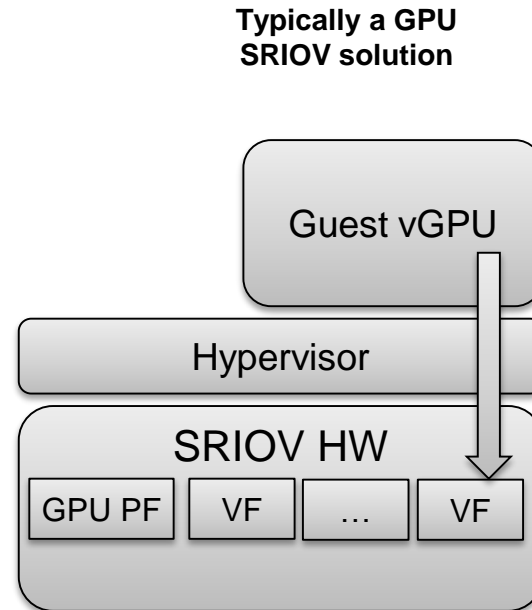
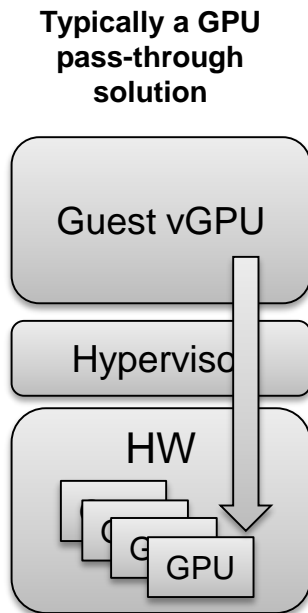
- pass-through for performance critical resource
- Trap and emulate for privileged resource
- Time-shared among VMs



vGPU Live Migration



Live Migration: Load balance, Maintenance, Fault recovery
Unfortunately most of vGPU solutions do not support migration except GVT-g



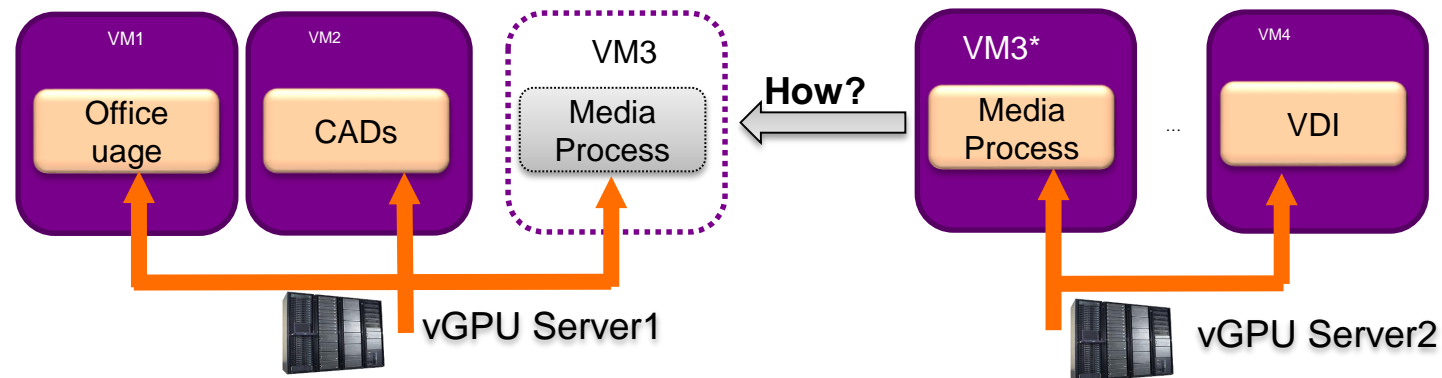
GVT-g architecture (Mediation) make it possible for seamless live migration

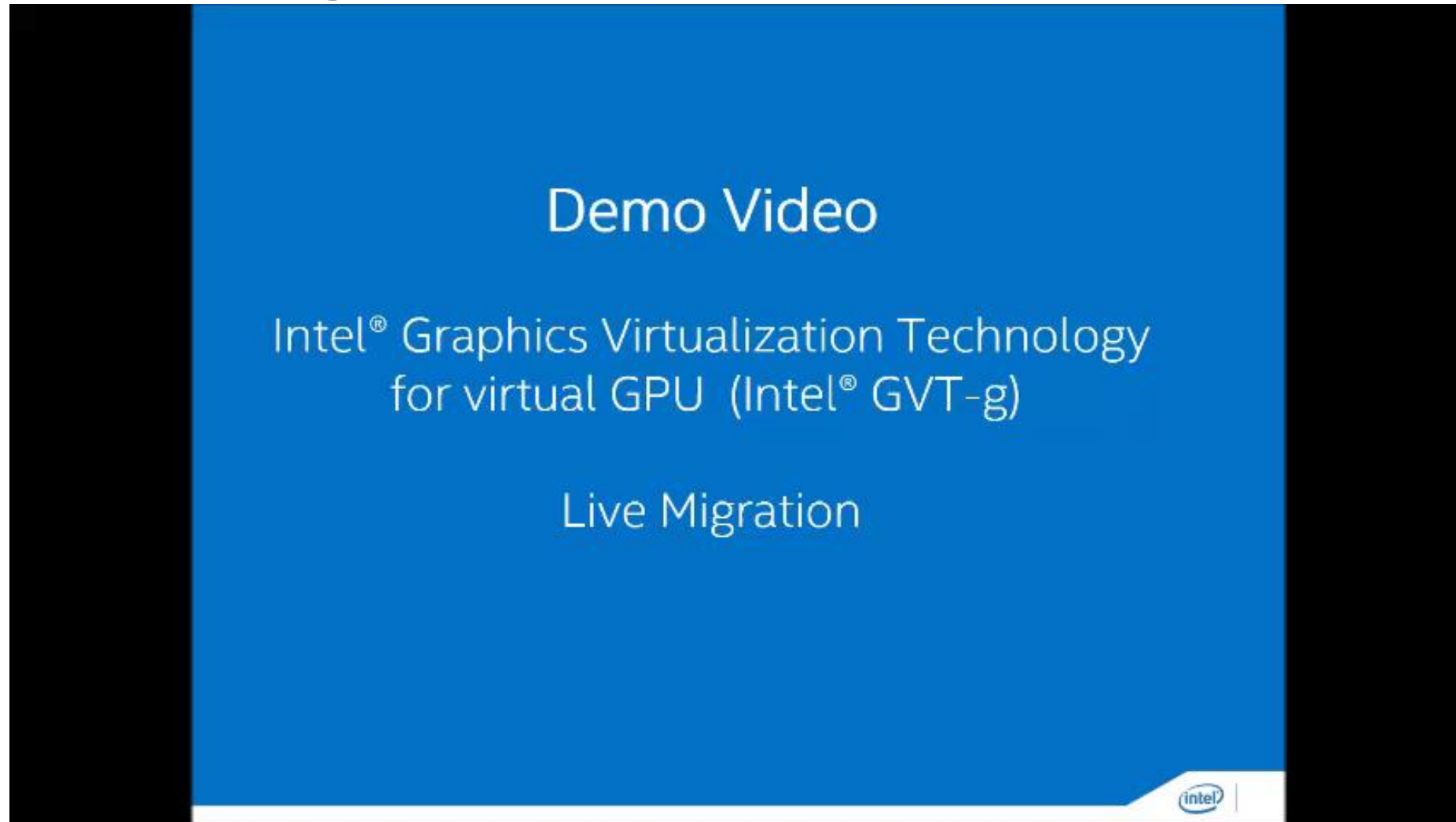


Live Migration of vGPU in GVT-g

Highlight feature:

- GVT-g is Open Source project, upstream ongoing
- vGPU Live Migration follows existing hypervisor migration flow
- 3D/2D/Media graphics workload seamless migrated between Servers or Local machine
- Support Linux/Windows Guest
- Live Migration Service downtime latency < 0.3 sec (Guest RAM 2GB, assigned 512MB vGPU memory, 10Gpbs adapter)





<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y2SkU5JODIY>






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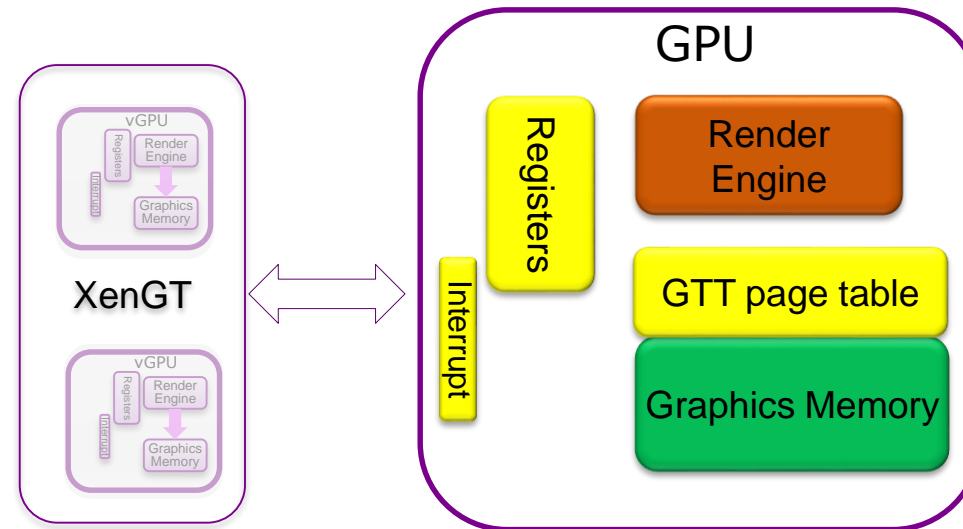


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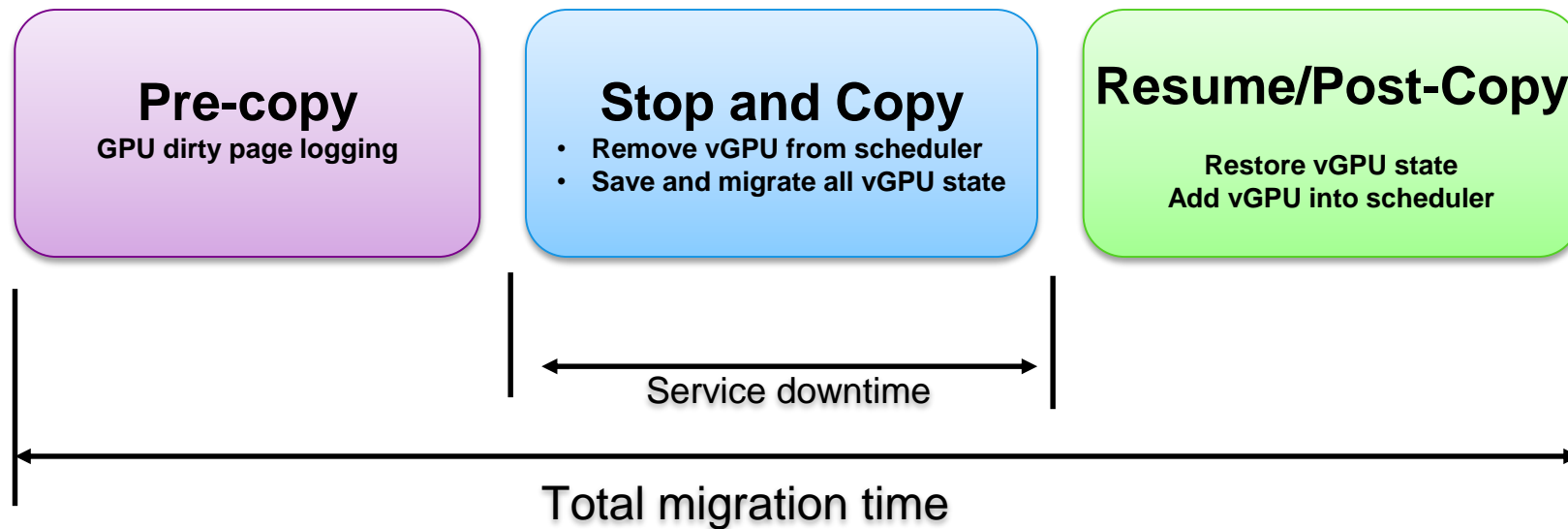
Inside of vGPU instance

-  pass-through for performance critical resource
-  Trap and emulate for privileged resource
-  Time-shared among VMs



Challenge of Migrating vGPU Instance

- When and how to migrate Graphics Memory
- When and how to migrate Guest Graphics Page Table
- When and how to migrate Render Engine State



Migration Policies for Different vGPU Resources



Registers



Copy and Restore

GTT page table



Recreate Shadowing

Graphics Memory



Track Dirty and Copy

Context: Render Engine



Recreate Shadowing



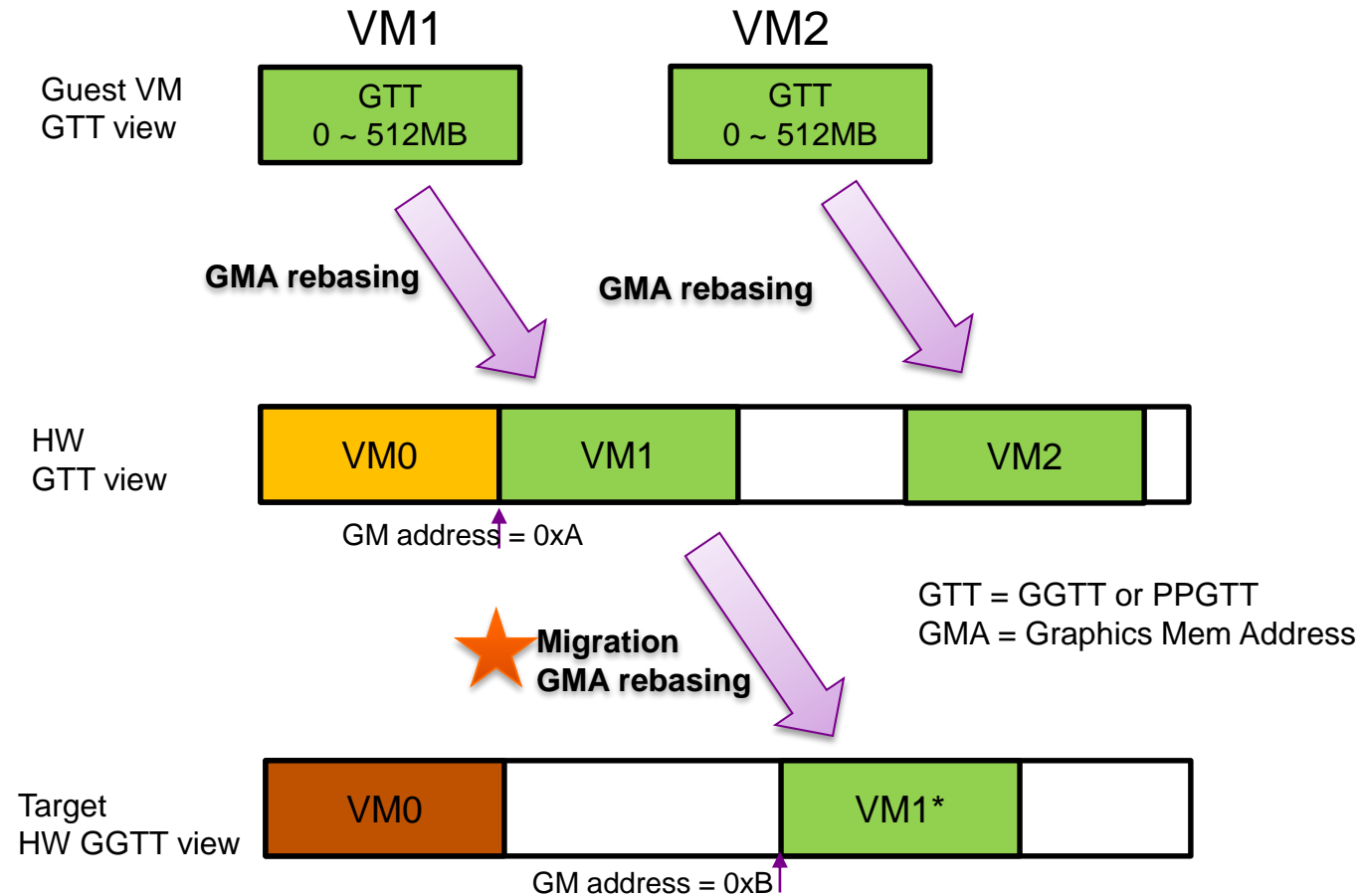
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Guest GTT Page Table Migration



- Both GGTT and PPGTT are shadowed for Guest
- GGTT required rebasing due to GGTT partition among VMs
- Migration process actually:
 - A. Copy entire Guest GTT page table
 - B. Re-create the shadow page table for Guest on Target side
 - C. Rebasing GGTT for GPU commands

Graphics Memory Address rebasing:
All vGPU cmds from Guest need to be rebased on new address in GVT-g before send to real GPU HW



Guest Graphics Memory Migration

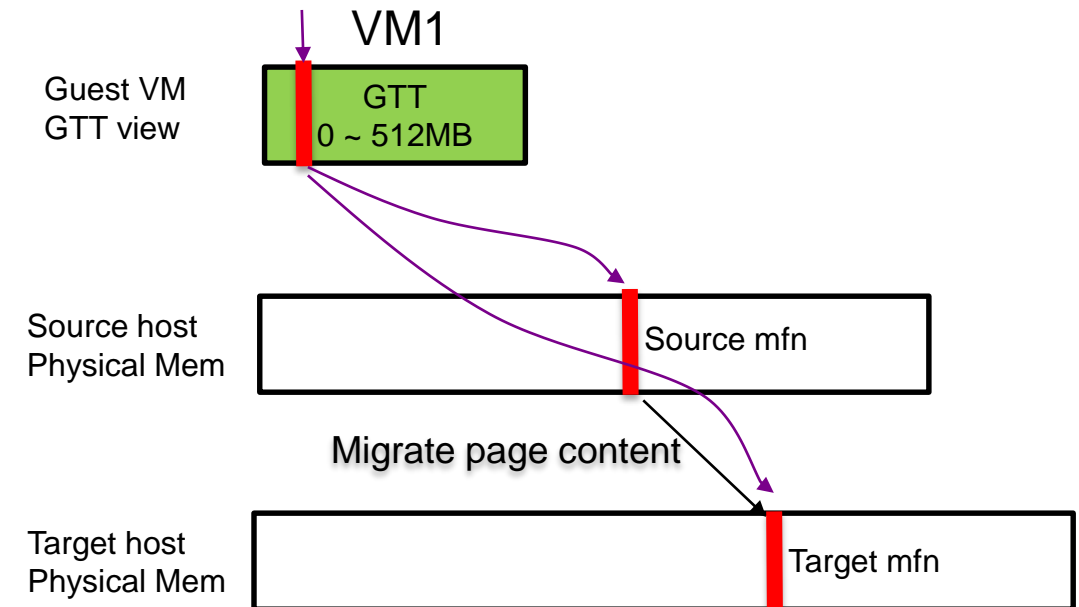
- **Pre-copy:** Logging dirty graphics memory pages
- **Stop-and-Copy:** Migrate contents to target
- **Resume/Post-copy:** Recreate GTT page table based on target mfn

Problem:

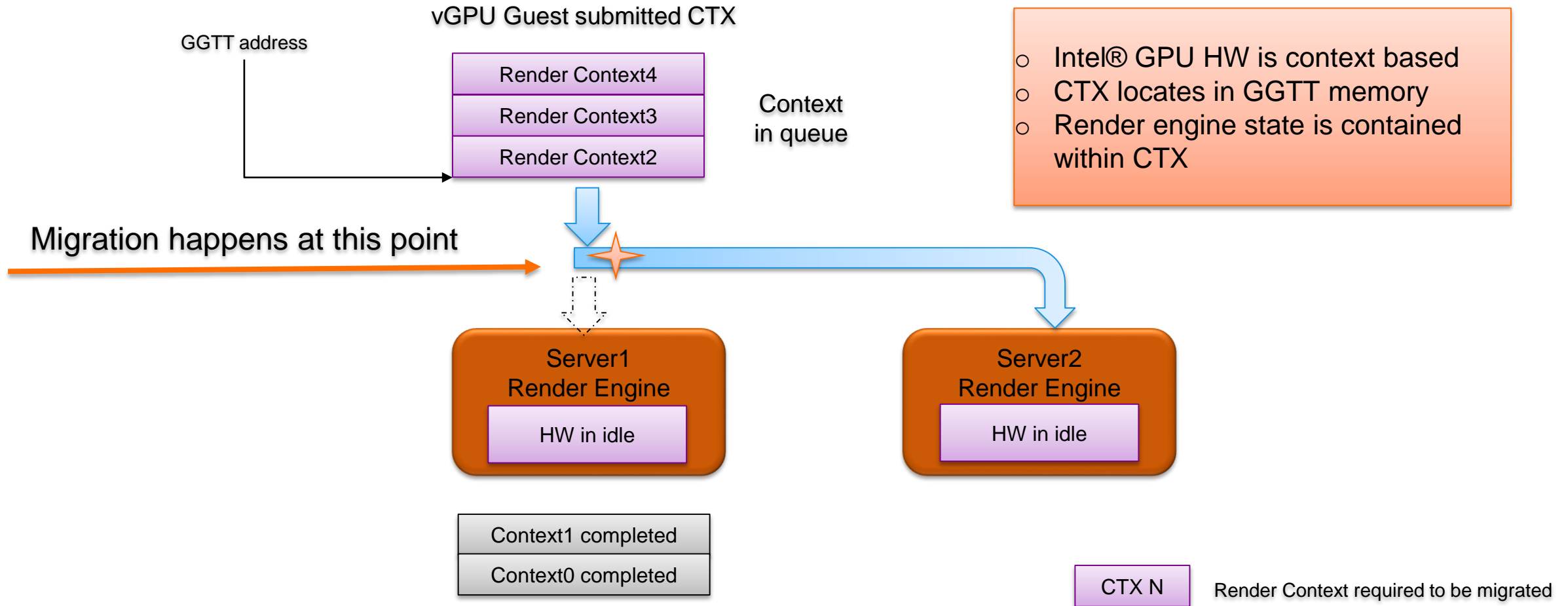
Intel® GPU page table entities has no Dirty or Accessed flags to track dirty pages

Solution:

Copy all used graphics memory to target.



Render Engine State Migration



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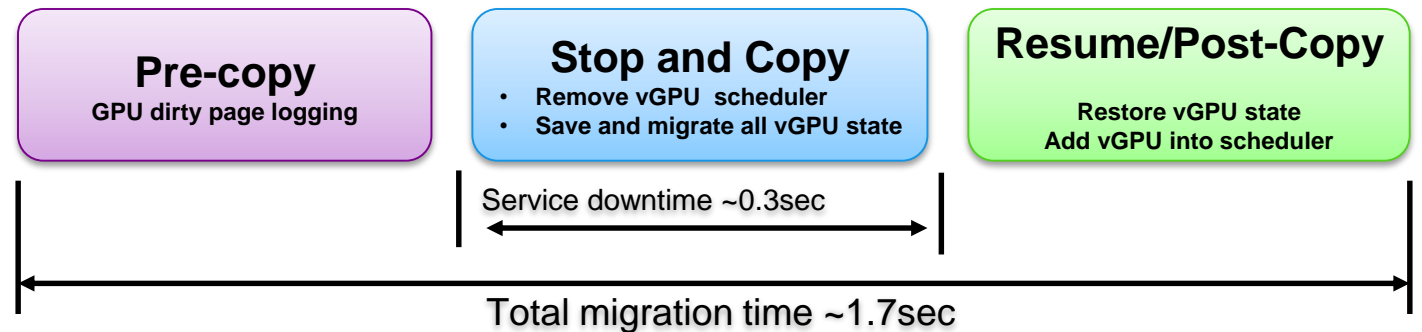


Current Status

- Experimental support both KVMGT and XENGT
- Platforms: Intel® 5th /6th Generation Intel® Core™ Processors
- Benchmarks covered:
Windows guest: Heaven, 3Dmark06, Trophic, Media encoding/decoding, Linux guest: lightsmark, 2D
- Quality: 12hours overnight testing, migrating every 30sec
- Timing: (Guest RAM 2GB including 512MB Graphics memory, 10Gbps adapter)

Service downtime ~0.3sec

Total migration time: ~1.7sec



Summary



- Need 3D/2D/Media workload in virtualization?
GVT-g is the choice
- Need GPU virtualization with migration support?
GVT-g is the choice 😊



Resource Links

- Project webpage and release: <https://01.org/igvt-g>
- Project public papers and document: <https://01.org/group/2230/documentation-list>
- Intel® IDF: GVT-g in Media Cloud: https://01.org/sites/default/files/documentation/sz15_sfts002_100_engf.pdf
- XenGT introduction in summit in 2015: <http://events.linuxfoundation.org/sites/events/files/slides/XenGT-Xen%20Summit-REWRITE%203RD%20v4.pdf>
- XenGT introduction in summit in 2014: http://events.linuxfoundation.org/sites/events/files/slides/XenGT-LinuxCollaborationSummit-final_1.pdf



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