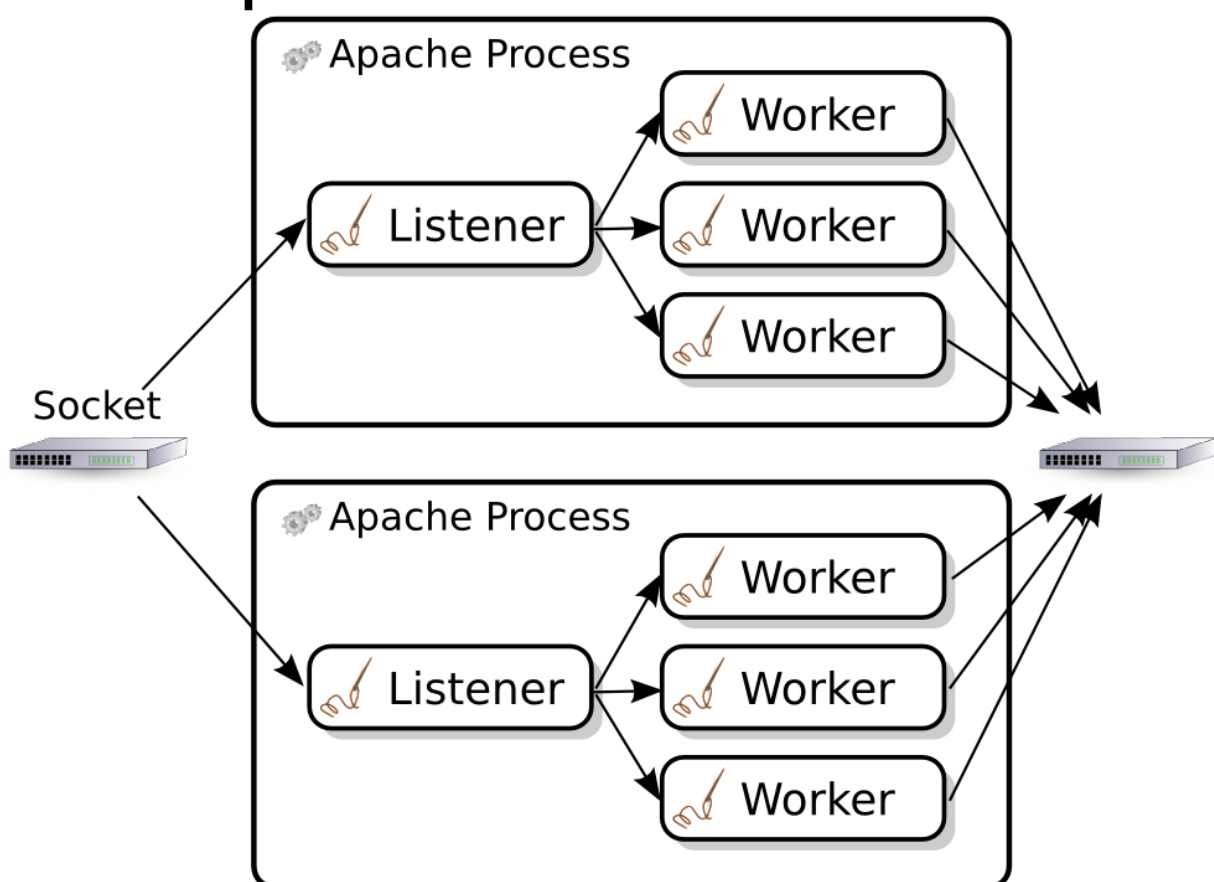


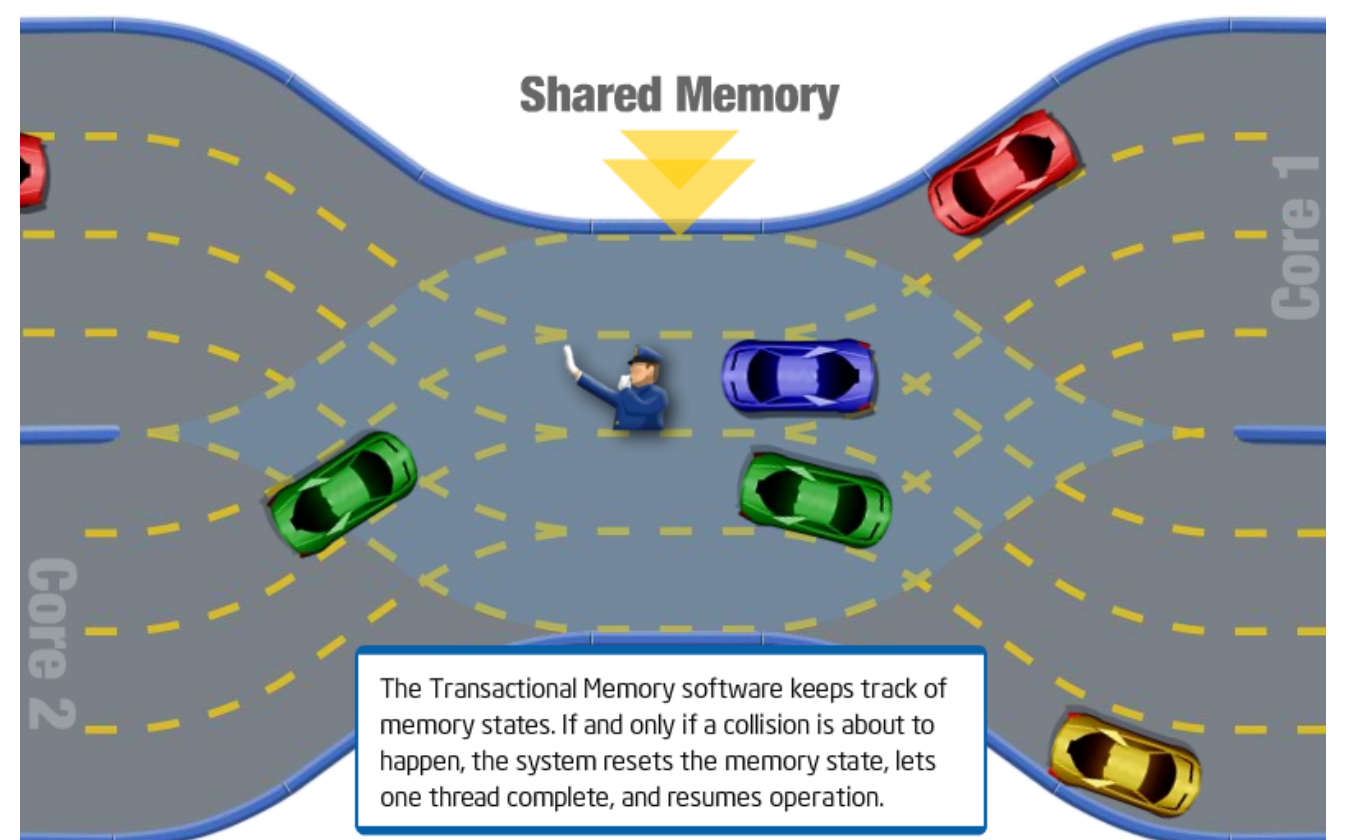
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Abstract Transactional Memory systems attempt to give multiprocessor programmers the ease of use of coarse-grained locks with the performance scalability of fine-grained locks. With the development of these systems a need for performance evaluation methods has emerged. This project offers a benchmark for transactional memory systems based on the popular Apache webserver. Results of running it with Intel's transactional memory manager have shown comparable performance to locking.

Apache Worker MPM



Transactional Memory



Transactional memory has emerged recently as an alternative synchronization method for parallel processing. A transaction is defined as an series of read and write operations and computations that should be executed atomically. The transactional memory system executes each transaction speculatively, without waiting for locks, and detects conflicts where two transactions might change global data in a way that distrubs atomicity, and abort one of the transactions, discarding all of its changes. If no such collision occurs, the transaction can commit, and its changes become visible to all other transactions.

Low Locality (s=1)

Medium Locality (s=2)

High Locality (s=3)

