

# qemu hot upgrade

# Agenda

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- optimization and bug fix
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- TODOs

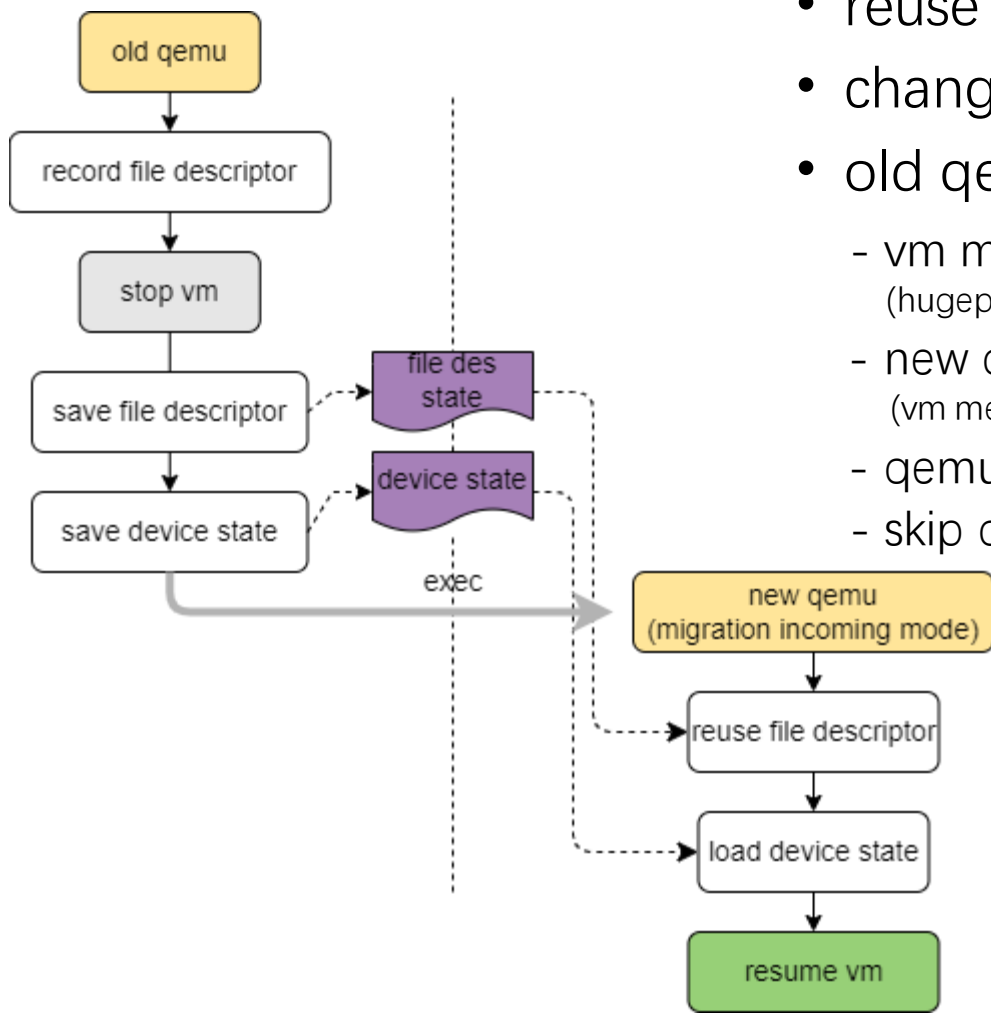
- online qemu needs upgrade for some reasons:
  - bug fix, security mitigations
  - launch new feature
  - version upgrade

- qemu live migration(including local migration)
  - take an unacceptable long time
  - take up a lot of resources(memory, cpu...)
  - passthrough devices not supported
- qemu live patch(like libcare...)
  - only for simple bug fix

# Overview of qemu hot upgrade

- Advantages:
  - Hot upgrade is completed in tens of milliseconds, with minimal impact on online services
  - Hot upgrade takes up very few resources
  - Support passthrough devices

# Overview of qemu hot upgrade



- reuse the qemu live migration framework
- change anonymous ram to memfd
- old qemu exec new qemu binary
  - vm memory from memfd or specified file path (hugepage, epc)
  - new qemu inherit file descriptor (vm memory, socket, eventfd, vfio-device, iommu group, etc)
  - qemu device state serialized and saved to file
  - skip device reset and initialization

# Optimization and bug fix

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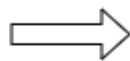
# Optimization--support libvirt

- add qemu hot upgrade mode
- keep connection with libvirtd

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<domain type='kvm'>
  <name>qemuliveupgrade</name>
  <uuid>166c19f3-e1d8-490a-8048-9753313b2a57</uuid>
  <liveupgrade enabled='yes' />
  <memory unit='KiB'>33554432</memory>
  <currentMemory unit='KiB'>33554432</currentMemory>
  <memoryBacking>
    <hugepages/>
  </memoryBacking>
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#qemu-system-$arch ... -migrate-mode-enable cpr-exec
QEMU 6.2.0 monitor - type 'help' ...
(qemu) info status
VM status: running

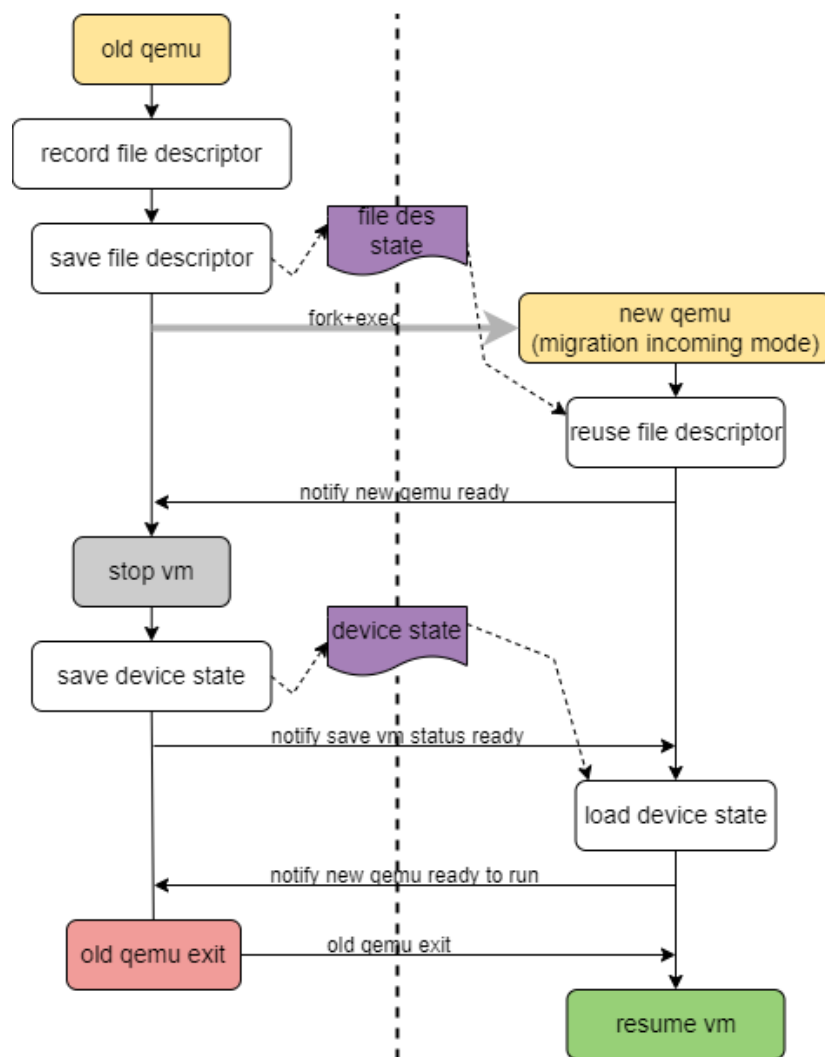
(qemu) migrate_set_parameter mode cpr_exec
(qemu) migrate_set_parameter cpr-exec-args
      qemu-system-$arch ... -incoming defer
(qemu) migrate -d file:/tmp/qemu.sav
QEMU 6.2.1 monitor - type 'help' ...
(qemu) info status
VM status: paused (inmigrate)
(qemu) migrate_incoming file:/tmp/qemu.sav
(qemu) info status
VM status: running
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virsh start xxx.xml
virsh migrate-liveupgrade xxx
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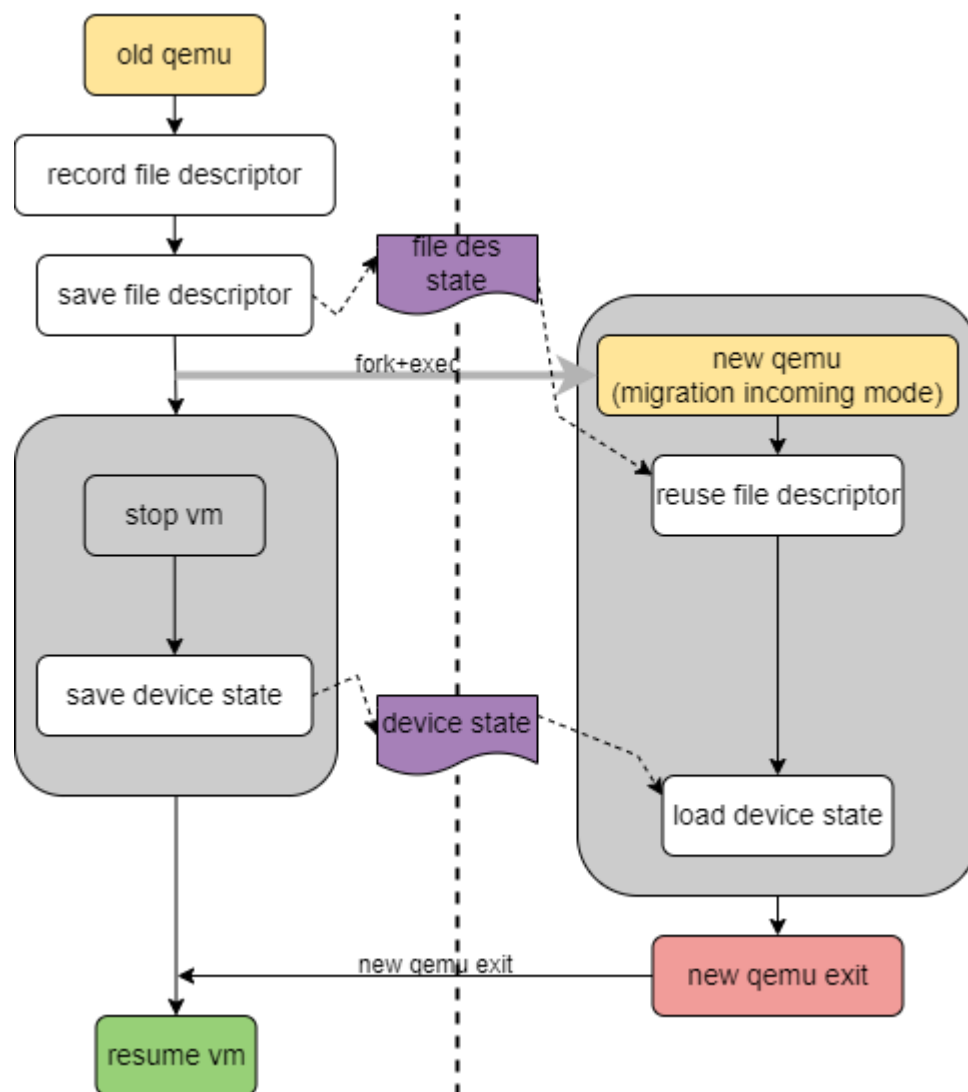


# Optimization--fork+exec and rollback



- change exec mode to fork+exec
- keep vm running during new qemu initialization

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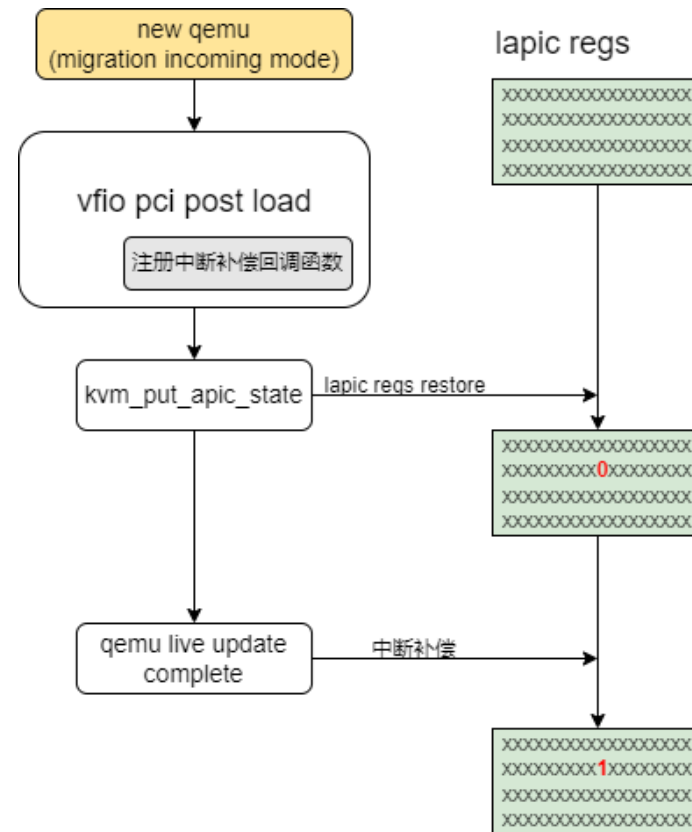
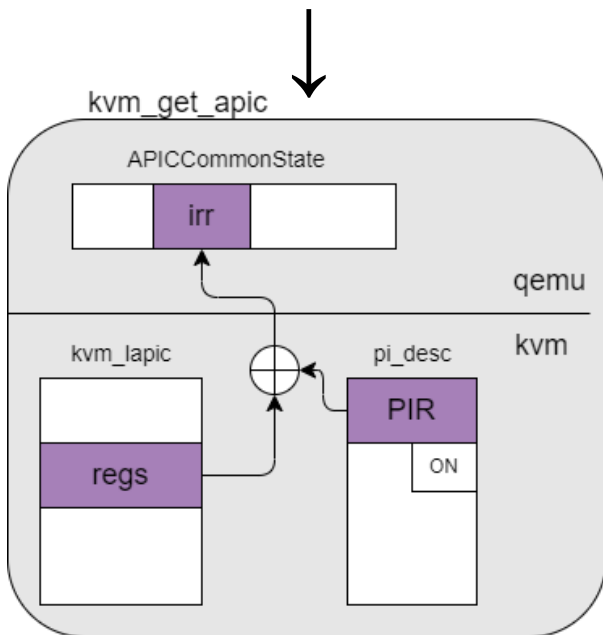


- old qemu resume vm when new qemu exit

# Optimization--interrupt compensation

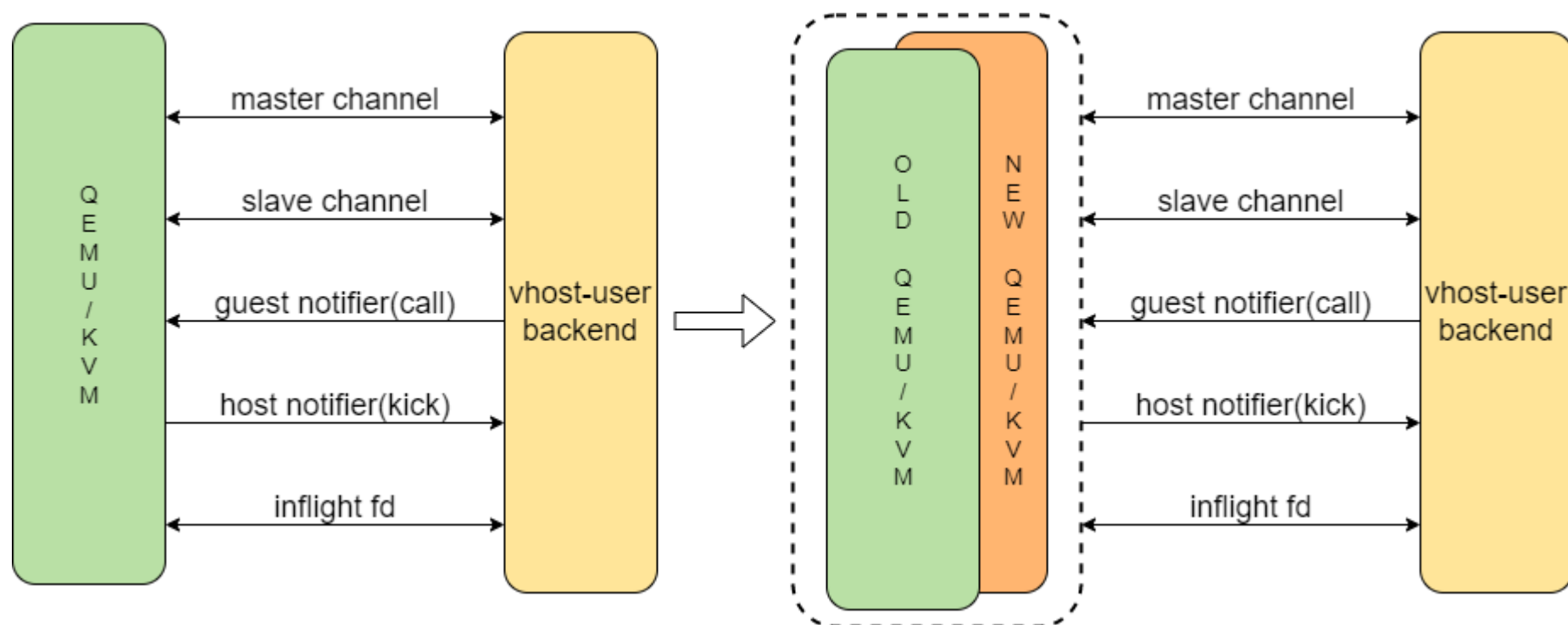
- passthrough devices may lose interrupts  
(NVIDIA GeForce RTX 2080)

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kvm_get_apic(kapic): index: 560: 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0
kvm_get_apic(kapic): index: 568: 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0
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+kvm_get_apic(kapic): index: 576: 0x0, 0x0, 0x8, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0
kvm_get_apic(kapic): index: 584: 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0
kvm_get_apic(kapic): index: 592: 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0
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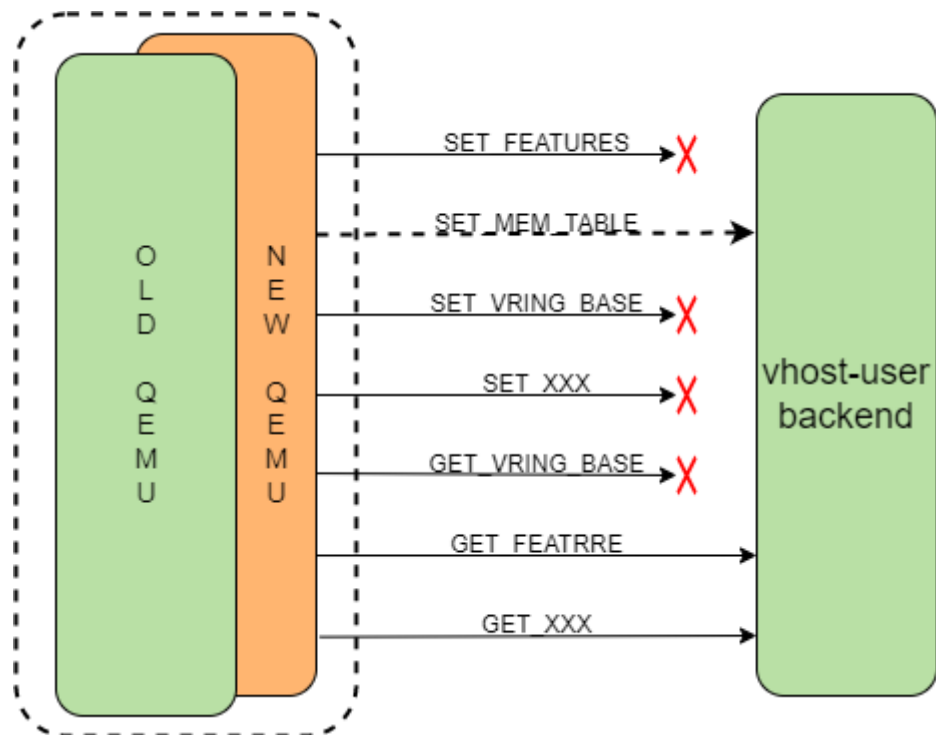


# Optimization--transparent to vhost-user backend

- inherit the fds between qemu and vhost user backend  
(problem: new qemu vhost user command may cause connection broken)



# Optimization--transparent to vhost-user backend



- skip almost all set commands and some get commands
- skip the cleanup of notifier and inflight fd when old qemu exit

# Optimization--others

- support sandbox
- hostmem-file
- vm with passthrough GPU device crash
- vhost-user backend

# TODOs

- sandbox spawn denied
- socket(SO\_REUSEADDR->SO\_REUSEPORT)
- fixed address map
- more scenes(mdev, ...)
- inherit vm fd, vcpu fd?
- save and load device state concurrently like live migration?
- kvm module live upgrade



# Submit to euler community

- Pull Request

qemu branch: qemu-6.2.0-hotupgrade

<https://gitee.com/openeuler/qemu/pulls/569>

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