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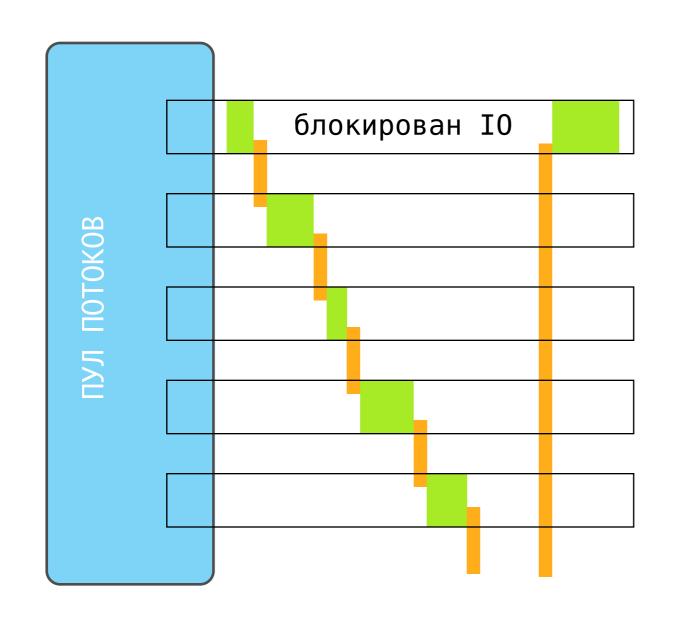
Node.js

как система кооперативной многозадачности

TiTConf

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```
1 #include <stdio.h>
 2 #include <stdlib.h>
 3 #include <unistd.h>
   int main()
      char buf[64];
     long done = 0;
     while(1)
10
11
        int size = read(0, buf, sizeof(buf));
12
13
14
        if(size == -1) exit(1);
15
        if(size == 0) break;
16
17
       write(1, buf, size);
18
        done += size;
19
20
21
      fprintf(stderr, "done: %li bytes\n", done);
22 }
```



CPU Cost
L1 3
L2 15
RAM 250
DISK 41M
NET 240M

Async 0

```
1 #include <errno.h>
 2 #include <fcntl.h>
 3 #include <stdio.h>
4 #include <stdlib.h>
 5 #include <unistd.h>
   #define IOBS 100
9
   typedef struct iob
10 {
11
     struct iob* next;
12
                  read; //: buffer read pos
13
     int
                  write; //: buffer write pos
14
      char
                  buf[IOBS];
15 } iob;
16
17 typedef struct
18
19
     int iof; //: 1 read 2 write done,
20
                 // 8 has bytes read
21
     int fdi; //: input file
22
     int fdo; //: output file
     iob* read; //: read and write pointers
23
     iob∗ write; // of the same queue
24
25
     int cycles;
26
     long done;
27 } job;
28
29 #define job_is_done(j)
                             ((j->iof \& 3) == 3)
30 #define job has read(j)
                             ((i->iof \& 1) == 0)
31 #define job_done_read(j) j->iof |= 1
32 #define job has write(j) ((j->iof \& 2) == 0)
33 #define job_done_write(j) j->iof |= 2
34
35
    job* job_create(int fdi, int fdo)
36
37
     job* j = (job*) calloc(1, sizeof(job));
38
39
     i->fdi = fdi;
40
     j->fdo = fdo;
41
42
     j->read = j->write =
43
       (iob*) calloc(1, sizeof(iob));
44
45
      return j;
46
47
```

```
void job close(job* j)
49 {
50
      close(j->fdi);
51
      close(j->fdo);
52
53
      while(j->write)
54
55
        iob* p = j->write->next;
56
        free(j->write);
57
        j->write = p;
58
59
60
      free(j);
61
62
    void job_read(job* j)
64
65
      int s;
66
67
      //?: {current buffer is full}
68
      if(j->read->read == IOBS)
69
70
        iob* p = (iob*)
71
          calloc(1, sizeof(iob));
72
73
        i->read->next = p;
74
        j->read = p;
75
76
77
      s = read(j->fdi,
78
        j->read->buf + j->read->read,
79
        IOBS - j->read->read
80
81
82
      if(s == 0) //?: {stream is done}
83
84
        if(j->iof & 8)
85
          job_done_read(j);
86
87
      else if(s == -1) //?: {io-error}
88
89
        if(errno != EAGAIN)
90
          exit(1);
      }
91
92
      else
93
94
        i->read->read += s;
```

Async 1

```
95
        j->iof |= 8:
                                                               142
 96
                                                               143 void job_do(job* j)
97 }
                                                              144 {
98
                                                               145
                                                                     j->cycles++;
99 void job_write(job* j)
                                                               146
                                                               147
100 {
                                                                     if(job_has_read(j))
101
                                                               148
                                                                       job_read(j);
      int s;
                                                               149
102
103
      //?: {current buffer done}
                                                              150
                                                                     if(job_has_write(j))
104
      if(j->write->write == IOBS)
                                                               151
                                                                       job_write(j);
105
                                                               152 }
106
                                                              153
        //?: {has no more data yet}
                                                              154
107
        if(!j->write->next)
108
                                                              155 #define RFLAGS (O_RDONLY | O_NONBLOCK)
109
                                                              156 #define WFLAGS (0_WRONLY
                                                                                              O CREAT \
          if(!job_has_read(j))
                                                              157
110
            job done write(j);
                                                                                   0 TRUNC
                                                                                            0 NONBLOCK)
111
                                                              158
           return;
112
                                                              159 int main(int argc, char* argv[])
                                                               160 {
113
114
        iob* p = j->write;
                                                               161
                                                                     job∗ j; int fdi, fdo;
115
        j->write = j->write->next;
                                                              162
116
                                                               163
                                                                     //~: open input-output files
117
                                                               164
                                                                     if(argc != 3) exit(11);
        free(p);
118
                                                              165
                                                                     fdi = open(argv[1], RFLAGS);
119
                                                                     if(fdi == -1) exit(12);
                                                               166
120
                                                               167
                                                                     fdo = open(argv[2], WFLAGS, 0600);
      //?: {has no more data yet}
121
      if(j->write->write == j->write->read)
                                                              168
                                                                     if(fdo == -1) exit(13);
122
                                                               169
123
                                                               170
        if(!job_has_read(j))
                                                                     //~: open copy job
124
           job_done_write(j);
                                                              171
                                                                     j = job_create(fdi, fdo);
                                                              172
125
        return;
126
      }
                                                              173
                                                                     while(!job_is_done(j))
127
                                                              174
                                                                       job_do(j);
128
      s = write(j->fdo,
                                                              175
                                                                     fprintf(stderr, "async: %li bytes"
129
        j->write->buf + j->write->write,
                                                              176
130
                                                              177
                                                                       " in %i cycles\n", j->done, j->cycles);
        j->write->read - j->write->write
131
      );
                                                               178
132
                                                               179
                                                                     job_close(j);
133
      if(s == -1) //?: \{io-error\}
                                                               180 }
134
                                          $ mkfifo queue
135
        if(errno != EAGAIN)
136
           exit(2);
                                          $ ./async queue res.html &
137
                                          $ curl -s -L --limit-rate 5K www.google.ru >queue
138
139
      j->write->write += s;
140
      j->done += s;
                                          async: 18452 bytes in 102,025,933 cycles
141 }
```

Epoll 0

```
1 #include <errno.h>
 2 #include <fcntl.h>
 3 #include <stdio.h>
 4 #include <stdlib.h>
 5 #include <unistd.h>
   #include <sys/epoll.h>
 8
9
    #define IOBS 100
10
  typedef struct iob
11
12 {
13
     struct iob* next;
14
     int
                  read; //: buffer read pos
15
     int
                  write; //: buffer write pos
16
     char
                  buf[IOBS];
17 } iob;
18
19
   typedef struct
20 {
21
     int ectl; //: epoll descriptor
22
     int events; //: listeners number
     int cycles;
24 } srv;
25
26 struct job;
27 typedef struct
28
  {
29
     struct job* job;
30
     int
                  10;
31 } jobp;
32
33
   typedef struct job
34
35
     srv* server;
36
     int ectl; //: epoll descriptor
37
     int iof;
                   //: 1 read, 2 write done
38
     int fdi;
                  //: input file
39
     int fdo;
                  //: output file
40
                  //: read and write pointers
     iob* read;
41
      iob∗ write;
                  // of the same queue
42
     long done;
43
44
                   //: typed job pointers
     jobp ijob;
45
     jobp ojob;
46
    } job;
47
```

```
48 #define job_is_done(j)
                              ((i->iof \& 3) == 3)
49 #define job_has_read(j) ((j\rightarrow iof \& 1) == 0)
50 #define job has write(j) ((j->iof \& 2) == 0)
51
52 #define IO_IN
                      EPOLLIN
53 #define IO OUT
                      EPOLLOUT
54 #define CMD ADD EPOLL CTL ADD
55 #define CMD_DEL EPOLL_CTL_DEL
56
    void job listen(job* j, int io, int cmd);
58
59
    job* job_create(int fdi, int fdo)
60
61
      job* j; struct epoll_event e; int x;
62
      j = (job*) calloc(1, sizeof(job));
63
64
      j->fdi = fdi;
65
      i->fdo = fdo;
66
67
      j->read = j->write =
68
        (iob*) calloc(1, sizeof(iob));
69
70
      j \rightarrow ijob.job = j \rightarrow ojob.job = j;
71
      j->ijob_io = IO_IN;
72
      j \rightarrow ojob_io = I0_OUT;
73
74
      return j;
75 }
76
77 void job_close(job* j)
78
79
      close(j->fdi);
80
      close(i->fdo);
81
82
      while(j->write)
83
84
        iob* p = j->write->next;
85
        free(j->write);
86
        j->write = p;
87
88
89
      printf("epoll: %li bytes\n", j->done);
90
      free(j);
91 }
93 void job_write_on(job* j)
94 {
```

Epoll 1

```
95
       if(j\rightarrow iof \& 4) return;
 96
       i->iof = 4;
97
       job_listen(j, IO_OUT, CMD_ADD);
99
100
101 void job write off(job* j)
102 {
103
       if(!(j->iof \& 4)) return;
104
       i->iof \&= \sim 4;
105
106
       job_listen(j, IO_OUT, CMD_DEL);
107 }
108
109 void job_done_read(job* j)
110 {
111
       j->iof |= 1;
112
       job_listen(j, IO_IN, CMD_DEL);
113 }
114
115 void job_done_write(job* j)
116 {
117
       j->iof |= 2;
118
       job_write_off(j);
119 }
120
121 void job_read(job* j)
122 {
123
       int s;
124
125
       //?: {current buffer is full}
126
       if(j->read->read == IOBS)
127
128
         iob* p = (iob*)
129
           calloc(1, sizeof(iob));
130
131
         j->read->next = p;
132
         i->read = p;
133
134
135
       s = read(j - sfdi)
136
         j->read->buf + j->read->read,
137
         IOBS - j->read->read
138
       );
139
140
       if(s == 0)
                        //?: {stream is done}
141
         job_done_read(j);
```

```
142
       else if(s == -1) //?: {io-error}
143
         exit(1);
144
       else
145
         j->read->read += s;
146
147
       //~: listen write stream
148
       job write on(j);
149
150
151 void job_write(job* j)
152 {
153
       int s;
154
155
       //?: {current buffer done}
156
       if(j->write->write == IOBS)
157
158
         //?: {has no more data yet}
159
         if(!j->write->next)
160
161
           if(!job_has_read(j))
162
             job_done_write(j);
163
164
           job write off(j);
165
           return;
166
167
168
         iob* p = j->write;
169
         j->write = j->write->next;
170
171
         free(p);
172
173
174
       //?: {has no more data yet}
175
       if(j->write->write == j->write->read)
176
177
         if(!job_has_read(j))
178
           job done write(j);
179
180
         job_write_off(j);
181
         return;
       }
182
183
184
       s = write(j->fdo,
185
         j->write->buf + j->write->write,
186
         j->write->read - j->write->write
187
       );
188
```

Epoll 2

```
189
       if(s == -1) //?: {io-error}
190
         exit(2);
191
192
      j->write->write += s;
193
      j->done += s;
194 }
195
196 #define RFLAGS O RDONLY | O NONBLOCK
    #define WFLAGS 0 WRONLY | 0 NONBLOCK
198
199
     job* job_open(char* fi, char* fo)
200 {
201
       job∗ j; int fdi, fdo;
202
203
       fdi = open(fi, RFLAGS);
204
       if(fdi == -1) exit(12);
205
       fdo = open(fo, WFLAGS);
206
       if(fdo == -1) exit(13);
207
208
      //∼: open a job
209
      j = job_create(fdi, fdo);
210
211
       return j;
212 }
213
214 void job attach(srv* s, job* j)
215 {
216
      j->server = s;
217
218
      //~: listen read stream
219
      job_listen(j, IO_IN, CMD_ADD);
220 }
221
222 void job_listen(job* j, int io, int cmd)
223 {
224
       int x, ex, fd; jobp* jp;
225
       struct epoll event e, *ep = \&e;
226
       if(io == IO_OUT) //?: {write}
227
228
229
         fd = j -> fdo;
230
         jp = &(j->ojob);
231
         ex = (cmd == CMD\_ADD)?(21):(22);
232
233
       else
                          //~: {read}
234
235
         fd = j \rightarrow fdi;
```

```
236
         ip = \&(i->iiob);
237
         ex = (cmd == CMD ADD)?(23):(24);
238
239
240
       if(cmd == CMD\_ADD) //?: {add}
241
242
         e.data.ptr = jp;
243
         e.events = io;
244
         i->server->events++;
245
246
                         //~: {remove}
       else
247
       {
248
        ep = 0:
249
        j->server->events--;
250
251
252
       x = epoll ctl(j->server->ectl, cmd, fd, ep);
253
       if(x != 0) exit(ex);
254 }
255
256 srv* srv_create()
257 {
258
       srv* s = (srv*) calloc(1, sizeof(srv));
259
260
       //~: create epoll object
261
       s->ectl = epoll create(2);
262
263
       return s;
264 }
265
266 void srv_free(srv* s)
267 {
268
      //~: close epoll object
269
       close(s->ectl);
270
271
       printf("epoll: %i cycles\n", s->cycles);
272
       free(s);
273 }
274
275 void srv_cycles(srv* s)
276 {
277
       struct epoll_event evs[2];
278
279
       while(s->events)
280
281
        int i, en = epoll wait(s->ectl, evs, 2, -1);
282
         if(en == 0) exit(25);
```

Epoll 3, libevent, libev, libuv

```
283
284
       for(i = 0; (i < en); i++)
285
286
         jobp* jp = (jobp*) evs[i].data.ptr;
287
288
         if(jp->io == IO IN)
           job read(jp->job);
289
290
291
         if(jp->io == IO OUT)
292
           job_write(jp->job);
293
         if(job_is_done(jp->job))
294
                                                              libevent 2002, libev
           job_close(jp->job);
295
296
297
298
       s->cycles++;
                                                             select 4.2 BSD 1983, POSIX
299
300 }
                                                             poll
                                                                        SVR3 1986, POSIX
301
    int main(int argc, char* argv[])
302
                                                             kqueue 4.1 FreeBSD 2000
303 {
304
      srv* s; job* j;
                                                             epoll
305
                                                                        Linux 2.5.44 2002
306
      //~: open a copy job
307
      if(argc != 3) exit(11);
308
      j = job_open(argv[1], argv[2]);
309
      s = srv_create();
310
                                                             IOCP
                                                                        3.5 Windows NT 1994
311
      job_attach(s, j);
312
     //c: server cycles
313
                                                                     libuv 2012
314
     srv_cycles(s);
315
316
     srv_free(s);
317 }
$ mkfifo queue-in queue-out
$ cat <queue-out >res.html &
  ./epoll queue-in queue-out &
$ curl -s -L --limit-rate 5K www.google.ru >queue-in
epoll: 18492 bytes
epoll: 198 cycles
```

```
1 #include <fcntl.h>
 2 #include <stdio.h>
 3 #include <stdlib.h>
4 #include <unistd.h>
 5 #include <uv.h>
   #define IOBS 100 /* buffer size */
9
   typedef struct
10 {
11
     uv_loop_t *loop; //: uv-loop
12
                tasks; //: jobs number
13
     int
                 cycles;
     uv_idle_t idle; //: idle task
14
15
16 } srv;
17
18 typedef struct
19 {
20
     srv
              *server;
21
     int
              fdi; //: file descriptors
22
     int
              fdo;
23
     long
               done;
24
     uv_fs_t oi; //: uv file requests
25
     uv fs t oo; // for open file
26
     uv_fs_t ri; //: uv file requests
27
     uv_fs_t ro; // for read-write
28
             *ifile;
      char
29
      char
             *ofile;
30
     uv_buf_t iob;
31
      char
               buf[IOBS];
32
33 } job;
34
35
36
    void job_close(job *j);
37
38
    int job_close_if(uv_fs_t *req)
39
40
     job *j = (job*) req->data;
41
42
     //?: {has bytes}
43
     if(req->result >= 0)
44
        return 0;
45
46
     if(req->result < 0) //?: {error}</pre>
       fprintf(stderr, "uv io-error: %s\n",
47
```

```
uv strerror((int) req->result));
48
49
50
      job_close(j);
51
      return 1;
52
53
    void job_read_cb(uv_fs_t *ri);
56 void job_write_cb(uv_fs_t *ro)
57 {
58
      job *j = (job*) ro->data;
59
      fprintf(stderr, "write %s ", ro->result);
60
61
      //?: {not able | error}
62
      if(job_close_if(ro)) return;
63
64
      i->done += ro->result;
65
66
      //∼: read bytes
67
      j->iob.len = sizeof(j->buf);
68
69
      uv_fs_read(j->server->loop, &(j->ri),
70
        j\rightarrow fdi, &(j\rightarrow iob), 1, -1, job read cb);
71 }
72
73 void job read cb(uv fs t *ri)
74 {
75
      job *j = (job*) ri->data;
76
      fprintf(stderr, "read %s ", ri->result);
77
78
      //?: {done | error}
79
      if(job_close_if(ri)) return;
80
81
      //~: write bytes
82
      j->iob.len = ri->result;
83
84
      uv fs write(j->server->loop, &(j->ro),
85
        j\rightarrow fdo, &(j\rightarrow iob), 1, -1, job\_write\_cb);
86 }
87
88 #define RFLAGS (0_RDONLY)
89 #define WFLAGS (O_RDWR | O_CREAT)
90
91 void job_openo_cb(uv_fs_t *oo)
92 {
93
      job *j = (job*) oo->data;
94
```

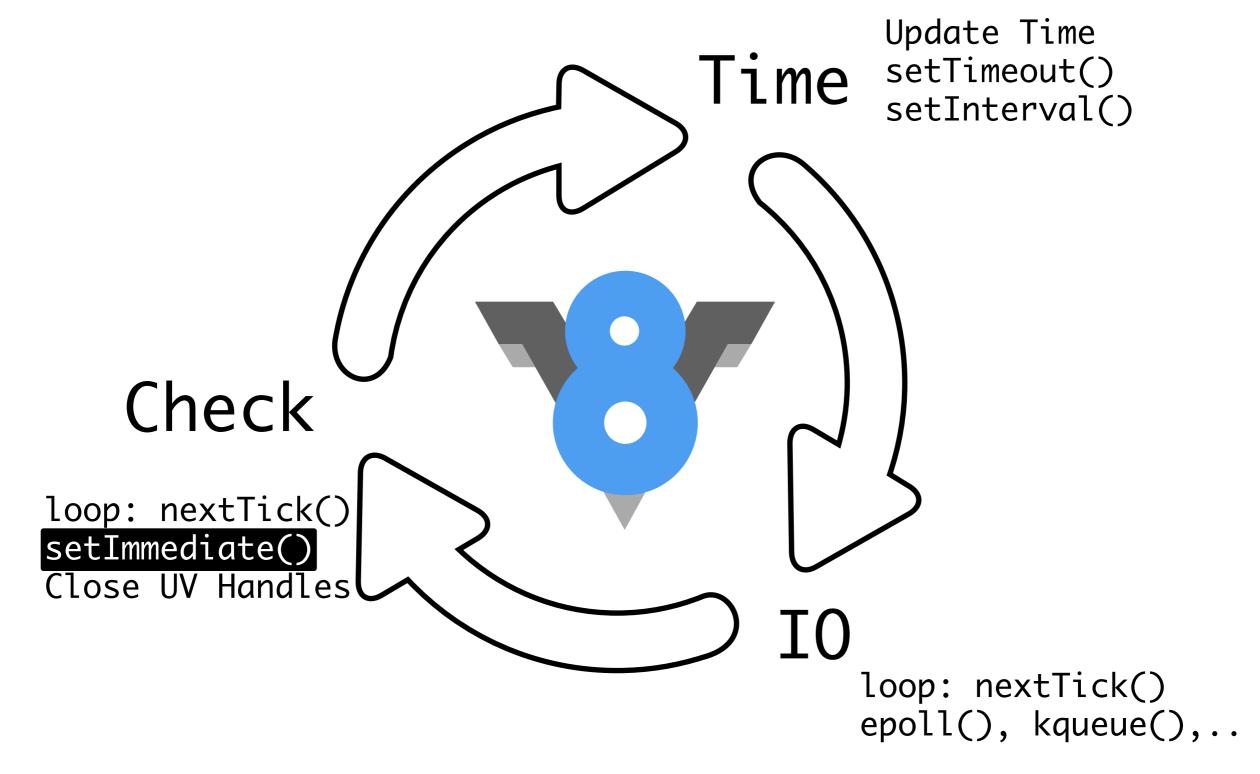
```
95
       //∼: output file
                                                                  142 }
 96
                                                                  143
       i->fdo = oo->result;
97
       if(j->fdo < 0) exit(12);
                                                                  144 void job_close_file(job *j, int fd)
98
                                                                  145 {
99
       //~: request first read
                                                                  146
                                                                         uv_fs_t *r = (uv_fs_t*)
                                                                  147
100
       uv_fs_read(j->server->loop, &(j->ri),
                                                                           calloc(1, sizeof(uv_fs_t));
101
         j\rightarrow fdi, &(j\rightarrow iob), 1, -1, job read cb);
                                                                  148
                                                                  149
102 }
                                                                         uv_fs_close(j->server->loop, r, fd, 0);
103
                                                                  150
                                                                         uv fs req cleanup(r);
104
     void job openi cb(uv fs t *oi)
                                                                  151
                                                                         free(r);
                                                                  152 }
105 {
106
                                                                  153
       job *j = (job*) oi->data;
                                                                  154 void job_close(job *j)
107
108
       //~: input file
                                                                  155 {
109
       i->fdi = oi->result;
                                                                  156
                                                                         //~: cleanup requests
                                                                  157
                                                                         uv_fs_req_cleanup(\&(j\rightarrow oi));
110
       if(j->fdi < 0) exit(13);
111
                                                                  158
                                                                         uv fs req cleanup(\&(i\rightarrow00));
112
       //~: open file to write
                                                                  159
                                                                         uv_fs_req_cleanup(&(j->ri));
113
       uv_fs_open(j->server->loop, \&(j->oo),
                                                                  160
                                                                         uv_fs_req_cleanup(&(j->ro));
114
         j->ofile, WFLAGS, 0600, job_openo_cb);
                                                                  161
115 }
                                                                  162
                                                                         //~: close the files
116
                                                                  163
                                                                         job_close_file(j, j->fdi);
                                                                  164
117
     job* job create(char* ifile, char* ofile)
                                                                         job_close_file(j, j->fdo);
118
                                                                  165
119
                                                                  166
       job *j = (job*) calloc(1, sizeof(job));
                                                                         i->server->tasks--;
120
                                                                  167
                                                                         free(i);
                                                                  168 }
121
       i->ifile = ifile;
122
                                                                  169
       j->ofile = ofile;
123
                                                                  170 void srv_idle_cb(uv_idle_t *idle)
124
       //~: read-write buffer
                                                                  171 {
                                                                  172
125
       j->iob = uv_buf_init(j->buf, IOBS);
                                                                         srv *s = (srv*)(idle->data);
126
                                                                  173
127
                                                                  174
       //∼: bind requests
                                                                         //?: {server has tasks}
                                                                  175
128
       j->oi.data = j->oo.data = j;
                                                                         if(s->tasks)
129
       j->ri.data = j->ro.data = j;
                                                                  176
                                                                            s->cycles++;
130
                                                                  177
131
                                                                  178
                                                                            uv idle stop(idle);
       return j;
132 }
                                                                  179 }
133
                                                                  180
134 void job_attach(srv *s, job *j)
                                                                  181 srv* srv_create()
135 {
                                                                  182 {
                                                                  183
136
                                                                         srv* s = (srv*) calloc(1, sizeof(srv));
       j->server = s;
137
                                                                  184
       s->tasks++;
138
                                                                  185
                                                                         //~: use default loop
139
                                                                  186
                                                                         s->loop = uv default loop();
       //~: open file to read
140
       uv fs open(s->loop, \&(j->oi),
                                                                  187
141
         j->ifile, RFLAGS, 0, job_openi_cb);
                                                                  188
                                                                         //~: add & start idle task
```

UV 2, Copy.js

```
189
       s->idle.data = s;
       uv idle init(s->loop, \&(s->idle));
190
191
       uv idle start(\&(s->idle), srv idle cb);
192
193
       return s;
194 }
195
196 void srv_free(srv* s)
197 {
198
       //~: free idle handle
       uv_close((uv_handle_t*) &(s->idle), 0);
199
200
201
       //~: free the loop
202
       uv_loop_close(s->loop);
203
       printf("uv: %i cycles\n", s->cycles);
204
205
       free(s);
206 }
207
208 void srv_cycles(srv *s)
209 {
210
       //∼: run uv-loop
211
       uv run(s->loop, UV RUN DEFAULT);
212 }
213
214 void main(int argc, char* argv[])
215 {
216
       //~: create uv-loop
217
       srv* s; job* j;
218
219
       //~: open a copy job
220
       if(argc != 3) exit(11);
221
       j = job_create(argv[1], argv[2]);
222
223
       //~: create server & attach job
224
       s = srv_create();
225
       job_attach(s, j);
226
227
       //c: server cycles
228
       srv_cycles(s);
229
230
       srv_free(s);
231 }
```

```
function copy(ifile, ofile, callback)
2
   {
        var fs = require('fs')
 3
        var fdi, fdo, buf = new Buffer(100)
 4
 5
 6
        fs.open(ifile, 'r', function(err, fd)
 7
 8
            if(err) return done(err); else fdi = fd
            fs.open(ofile, 'w', function(err, fd)
 9
10
11
                if(err) return done(err); else fdo = fd
12
                fs.read(fdi, buf, 0, buf.length, null, onread)
            })
13
        })
14
15
        function done(err)
16
17
18
            if(!fdi) return callback(err)
            fs.close(fdi, function(exx)
19
20
21
                if(!fdo) return callback(err || exx)
22
23
                fs.close(fdo, function(eyy) {
24
                    callback(err || exx || eyy)
25
                })
26
            })
        }
27
28
29
        function onread(err, size, buf)
30
            if(!size || err) return done(err)
31
32
            fs.write(fdo, buf, 0, size, onwrite)
        }
33
34
35
        function onwrite(err, size, buf)
36
37
            if(err) return done(err)
            fs.read(fdi, buf, 0, buf.length, null, onread)
38
39
        }
40
   }
```





libuv loop

Cooperative Node.js

```
/* load huge JSON with 10K objects */
                                                                   function done(err)
                                                          29
   var data = require('./database.json')
                                                          30
                                                                   {
                                                          31
                                                                       callback(err, (err)?(undefined):(stat))
    function count(db, callback)
                                                          32
                                                                   }
 4
                                                          33
 5
        var i = 0, map = {}, exp = /[a-z]+/gi
                                                          34
                                                                   next() //<-- first invocation</pre>
 6
                                                          35 }
        var stat = { rows: 0, words: map }
                                                          36
        function next()
                                                          37
                                                               count(data, function(err, stat)
10
                                                          38
            if(i >= db.length) return done()
11
                                                          39
                                                                   var ks = Object.keys(stat.words)
12
                                                                   ks.sort(); ks.forEach(function(k) {
            stat.rows++
                                                          40
13
                                                                       var x = k; while(x.length < 20) x += '.'
                                                          41
            var s, x = db[i++]
14
                                                          42
                                                                       console.log(x + stat.words[k])
15
            if(!x.about) done(new Error(
                                                                   })
                                                          43
16
              'Record [' + (i-1) + '] has no about!'))
                                                              })
                                                          44
17
            exp.lastIndex = 0
18
            while(s = exp.exec(x.about))
19
20
21
                s = s[0].toLowerCase()
22
                map[s] = (map[s])?(map[s] + 1):(1)
23
24
            //!: will fire on the next loop
25
26
            setImmediate(next)
27
        }
```

Вызов setImmediate() внутри вызванного им callback будет обработан уже в след. цикле!

Linux Native POSIX Thread Library, NPTL

With NPTL on, Sun and Blackwidow JVM 1.4.2 scaled easily to 5000+ threads. Blockin model was consistently 25-35% faster than using NIO selectors. Lot of techniques suggested by EmberIO folks were employed - using multiple selectors, doing multiple (2) reads if the first read returned EAGAIN equivalent in Java. Yet we couldn't beat the plain thread per connection model with Linux NPTL.

Results shows that the cost of NIO selectors coupled with OS polling mechanism (in this case efficient epoll VS selector/poll) has a significant overhead compared to the cost of context switching threads on an NPTL Linux kernel.

Without NPTL of course it's a different story. The blocking server just melts at 400 concurrent connections! We have run the test upto 10K connections and the blocking server outperformed NIO driven selector based server by same margin. Moral of the story - NIO arrives at the scene a little too late - with adequate RAM and better threading models (NPTL), performance gains of NIO don't show up.

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