

## Functional Requirement

put(key, value)

get(key)

## Non-Functional Requirement

Scalable

Highly Available

Highly Performance

## Design

### Data Structures & Algorithms

- LRU

### Components

- **CacheClient**
  - Client knows about all server
  - All cache clients should have same list of cache servers
  - Client stores all list of cache servers in sorted order (e.g TreeMap)
  - Binary Search is used to identify server in  $O(\log n)$
  - Client uses **TCP** or UDP protocol to talk to servers
  - If cache host is not available client proceeds as cache miss
- **Maintaining list of cache servers**
  - 1) Use config management tools like chef & puppet to deploy modified files to every host
  - 2) Put files in Blob store and let client poll (daemon service) files once a minute or several minutes. Will need to maintain file in storage
  - 3) Configuration Service to discover cache host and monitor their health.
  - 4) Asynchronous replication
  - 5) Split only concrete shard when adding new shard
  - 6) Master slave replication
- **Configuration Service (Zookeeper)**
  - Monitor leader & follower
  - Failover
  - Leader not working then promote follower to leader
  - Source of authority for clients, cache clients discover cache server from configuration service
  - Is distributed service based nature
  - High Availability
  - Nodes communicate using TCP
  - Zookeeper/Redis Sentinel
- **Consistency**
  - Asynchronous Replication
  - Synchronous replication increases latency
- **Data Expiration**
  - TTL

- Seperate thread for eviction
- **Security**
  - For internal users only
  - Use firewall
  - Encrypt while reading
- **Monitoring**  
Cache miss, latency, faults, CPU & memory utilization, Network I/O
- **Logging**  
Capture every request in logs, response, emit metrics
- **Consistent Hashing**
  - Domino Effect: if server dies all logs is transferred to next server. This transfer might overload next server then that server could fail causing chain reaction of failures
  - Logs are not spread evenly: Some servers may reside close to each other & some are apart causing uneven distribution of keys among cache servers
  - Add each server on circle multiple times (Jump Hash Algorithm, Proportional Hash Algorithm)