

CS425 DS MP3 - Simple Distributed File System

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1. Design & Implementation:

We are storing total 4 replicas of a file in the distributed file system. Files are not sharded in the system. Here we have chosen $W+R = 5$ where $W=4$ and $R=1$.

PUT: put <localfilename> <sdfsfilename>

A file is put into 4 nodes based on the neighbourhood list from the local file path to sdfs file path.

GET: get <sdfsfilename> <localfilename>

Sdfs file is copied from one of the replicas and stored in the local file path.

DELETE: delete <sdfsfilename>

Deletes sdfs file from all the replicas in a distributed file system.

LIST: ls <sdfsfilename>

List all the nodes where this file is currently being stored

STORE: List all sdfs files currently being stored at this node.

Here sdfsfilename is an arbitrary string while localfilename is the Unix-style local file system name.

Update: Is similar to PUT, since updates are comprehensive, i.e., they send the entire file, not just a block of it.

Re-replication: Since each file has 4 replicas. When a node fails, node with highest replica-id of that file will take the lead to re-replicate the file in any of the servers which are currently up and running in the system. This leader election is per file basis and this leader is not a global leader.

When two nodes tries to put into the same sdfs filename, a warning prompt is popped up to the second Put initiator. If the user doesn't give any input (Say Y/N): By default the Put command is ignored.

Reads and writes occur between peer nodes directly without the involvement of the master. We do not perform any caching of the data, as all the nodes have information about the filetable. Membership list populated from MP2 is used as reliable list of nodes that are alive in order to choose the suitable substitute for replication and also for the node to get the files.

2) Using MP1 for debugging MP3:

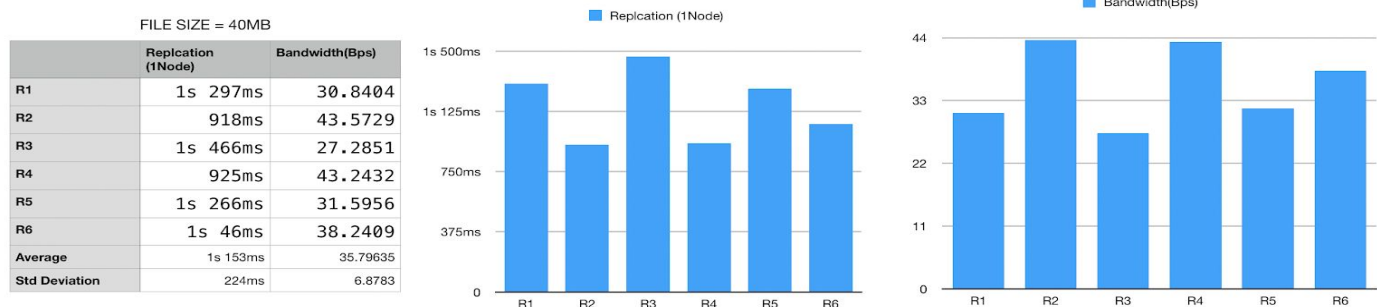
MP1 was used regularly to catch errors while debugging and log the debug/failure messages.

3) Performance:

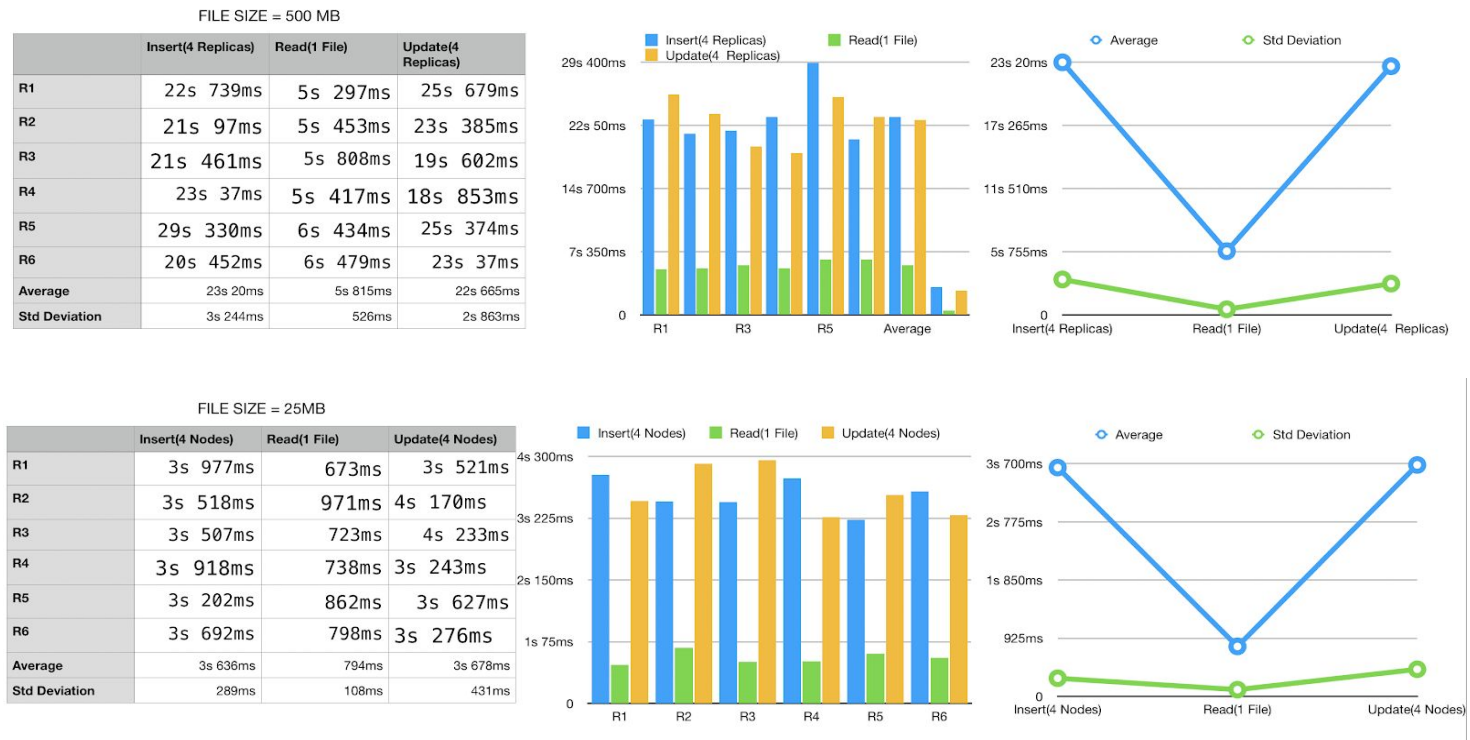
(i) Re-replication time and bandwidth upon a failure

Avg Bandwidth usage on failure: 35.79635 Bps Average Time: 1s 153ms Standard Deviation: 224ms

The above mentioned values are re-replication time and bandwidth of 1 file of size 40 MB to only one node.

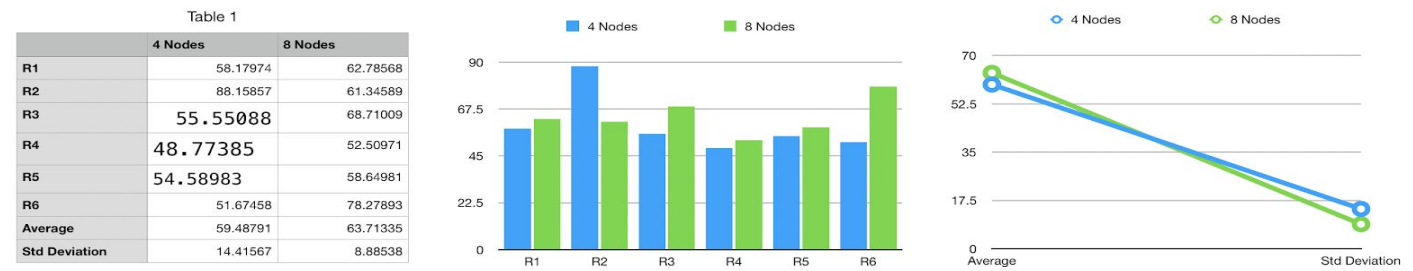


(ii) Times to insert, read, and update, file of size 25 MB, 500 MB (6 total data points), under no failure:



Statistics for inserts and updates are almost similar, since they perform effectively the same operations. Time to read the file is in milliseconds as we are reading from the first replica which is up and running instead of reading from all the 4 replicas (as Read Quorum is 1)

(iii) Time to store the entire English Wikipedia corpus into SDFS with 4 machines and 8 machines (not counting the master)



Statistics show that the average and standard deviation is more or less similar, because the number of replicas is constant and it doesn't depend on the size of system

