

Transactional Storage for MySQL FAST. RELIABLE. PROVEN.

InnoDB Internals: InnoDB File Formats and Source Code Structure

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Today's Topics

- Goals of InnoDB
- Key Functional Characteristics
- InnoDB Design Considerations
- InnoDB Architecture
- InnoDB On Disk Format
- Source Code Structure
- Q & A

Goals of InnoDB



- OLTP oriented
- Performance, Reliability, Scalability
- Data Protection
- Portability



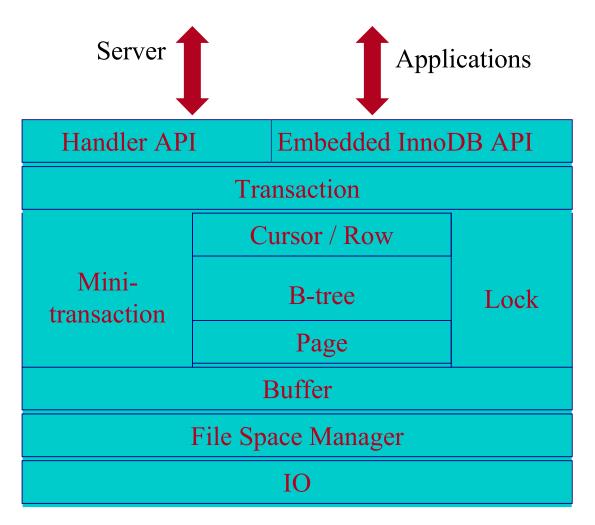
InnoDB Key Functional Characteristics

- Full transaction support
- Row-level locking
- MVCC
- Crash recovery
- Efficient IO

Design Considerations

- Modeled on Gray & Reuter's "Transactions Processing: Concepts & Techniques"
- Also emulated the Oracle architecture
- Added unique subsystems
 - Doublewrite
 - Insert buffering
 - Adaptive hash index
- Designed to evolve with changing hardware & requirements

InnoDB Architecture

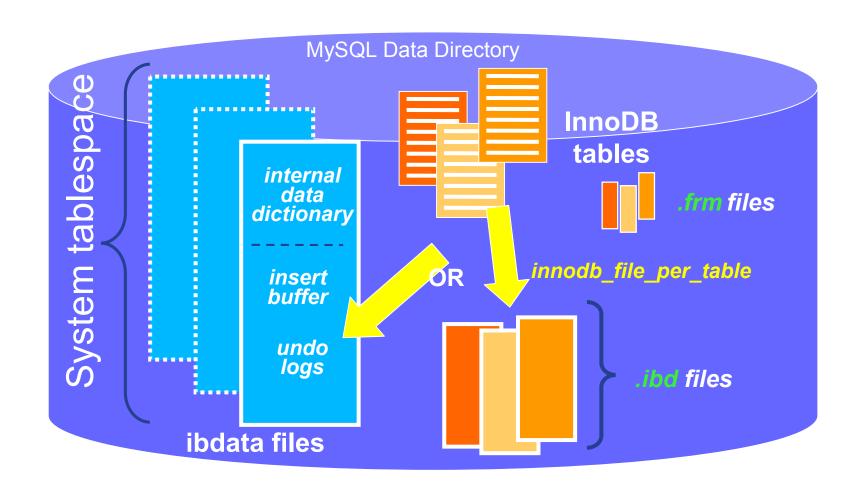




InnoDB On Disk Format

- InnoDB Database Files
- InnoDB Tablespaces
- InnoDB Pages / Extents
- InnoDB Rows
- InnoDB Indexes
- InnoDB Logs
- File Format Design Considerations

InnoDB Database Files





InnoDB Tablespaces

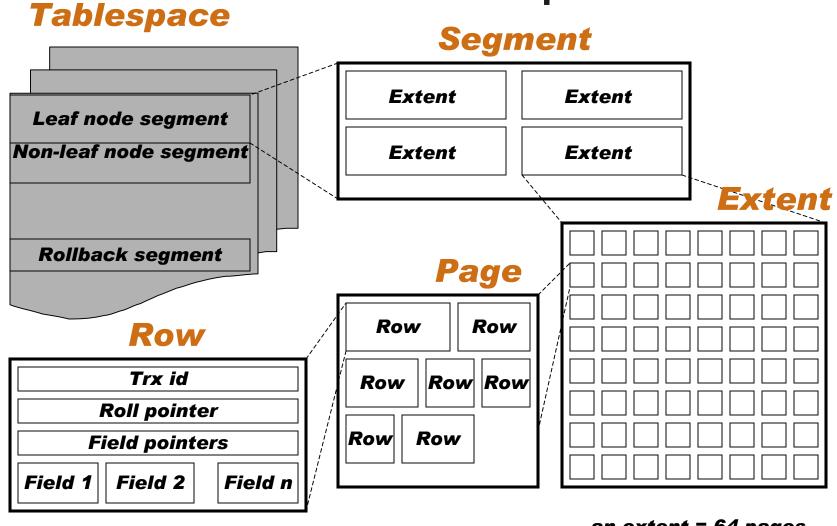
- A tablespace consists of multiple files and/or raw disk partitions.
 file_name: file_size[:autoextend[:max:max_file_size]]
- A file/partition is a collection of segments.
- A segment consists of fixed-length pages.
- The page size is always 16KB in uncompressed tablespaces, and 1KB-16KB in compressed tablespaces (for both data and index).

System Tablespace

- Internal Data Dictionary
- Undo
- Insert Buffer
- Doublewrite Buffer
- MySQL Replication Info



InnoDB Tablespaces



INNOBASE

an extent = 64 pages

InnoDB Pages

InnoDB Page Types					
Symbol	Value	Notes			
FIL_PAGE_INODE	3	File segment inode			
FIL_PAGE_INDEX	17855	B-tree node			
FIL_PAGE_TYPE_BLOB	10	Uncompressed BLOB page			
FIL_PAGE_TYPE_ZBLOB	11	1st compressed BLOB page			
FIL_PAGE_TYPE_ZBLOB2	12	Subsequent compressed BLOB page			
FIL_PAGE_TYPE_SYS	6	System page			
FIL_PAGE_TYPE_TRX_SYS	7	Transaction system page			
others		i-buf bitmap, I-buf free list, file space header, extent desp page, new allocated page			



InnoDB Pages

A page consists of: a page header, a page trailer, and a page body (rows or other contents).

Page header							
Row		R	ow	Row	Row		
Row				Row			
Row	Ro	w	Row				
			row off	set array			
Page trailer							

Page Declares

```
/* a space address */
typedef struct
                            /* page number within the file */
   ulint
            pageno;
                            /* byte offset within the page */
   ulint
            boffset;
  } fil addr t;
typedef struct
  ulint checksum; /* checksum of the page (since 4.0.14) */
  ulint page offset; /* page offset inside space */
  dulint -
            page lsn; /* lsn of the end of the newest
                           modification log record to the page */
  PAGE TYPE page type; /* file page type */
  dulint
            file flush lsn; /* the file has been flushed to disk
                          at least up to this lsn */
            space id; /* space id of the page */
  int.
  char
            data[]; /* will grow */
            page lsn; /* the last 4 bytes of page lsn */
  ulint
            checksum; /* page checksum, or checksum magic, or 0 */
  ulint
  } PAGE, *PAGE;
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InnoDB Compressed Pages

Page header

compressed data

modification log

empty space

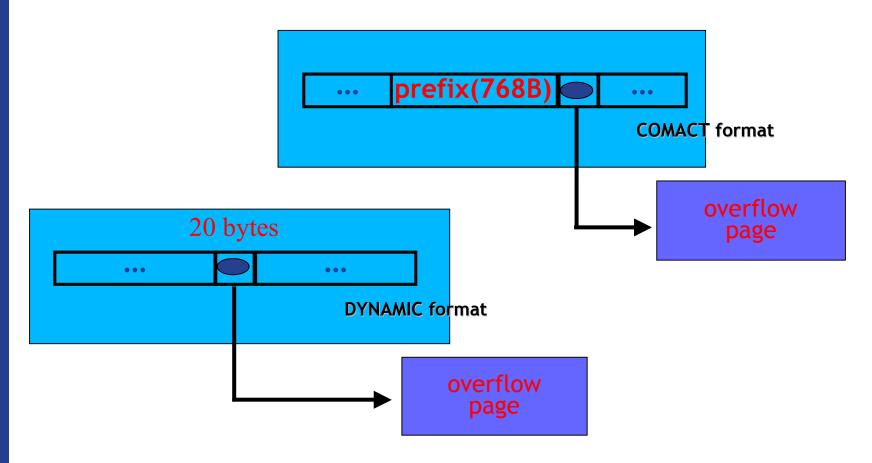
BLOB pointers

page directory

Page trailer

- InnoDB keeps a "modification log" in each page
- Updates & inserts of small records are written to the log w/o page reconstruction; deletes don't even require uncompression
- Log also tells InnoDB if the page will compress to fit page size
- When log space runs out, InnoDB uncompresses the page, applies the changes and recompresses the page

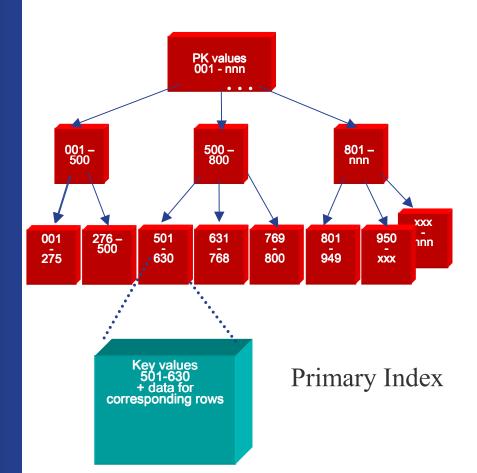
InnoDB Rows



Record hdr Trx ID Roll ptr Fld ptrs overflow-page ptr .. Field values



InnoDB Indexes - Primary



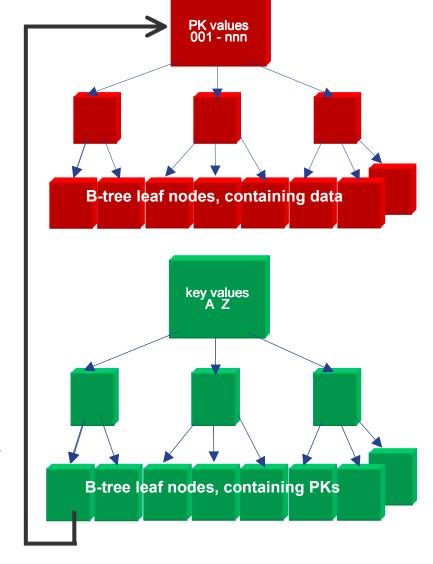
- Data rows are stored in the B-tree leaf nodes of a clustered index
 - by primary key or non-null unique key of table, if defined; else, an internal column with 6-byte ROW_ID is added.



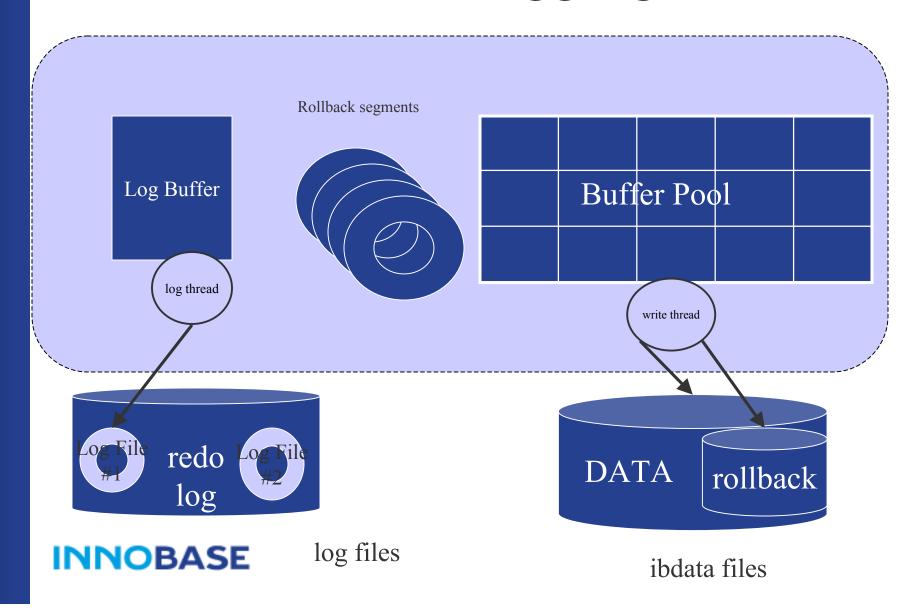
InnoDB Indexes - Secondary

Secondary index Btree leaf nodes contain, for each key value, the primary keys of the corresponding rows, used to access clustering index to obtain the data

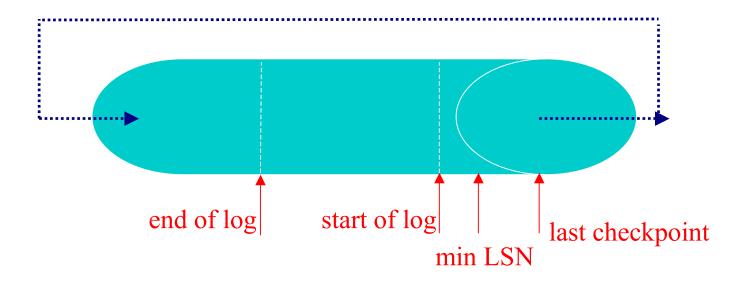
Secondary Index



InnoDB Logging



InnoDB Redo Log

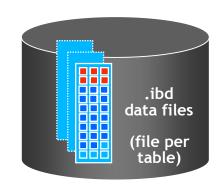


Redo log structure:





File Format Management



- Builtin InnoDB format: "Antelope"
- New "Barracuda" format enables compression, ROW_FORMAT=DYNAMIC
 - Fast index creation, other features do <u>not</u> require Barracuda file format
- Builtin InnoDB can access "Antelope" databases, but not "Barracuda" databases
 - Check file format tag in system tablespace on startup
- Enable a file format with new dynamic parameter innodb_file_format
- Preserves ability to downgrade easily



InnoDB File Format Design Considerations

- Durability
 - Logging, doublewrite, checksum;
- Performance
 - Insert buffering, table compression
- Efficiency
 - Dynamic row format, table compression
- Compatibility
 - File format management

Source Code Structure

- 31 subdirectories
- Relevant InnoDB source files on file formats
 - Tablespace: fsp0fsp {.c, .ic, .h}
 - Page: page0page, page0zip {.c, .ic, .h}
 - Log: log0log {.c, .ic, .h}



Source Code Subdirectories

- buf
- data
- db
- dict
- dyn
- eval
- fil
- fsp
- fut
- ha
- handler

- ibuf
- include
- lock
- log
- math
- mem
- mtr
- OS
- page
- pars

- que
- read
- rem
- row
- srv
- sync
- thr
- trx
- usr
- ut

Summary: Durability, Performance, Compatibility & Efficiency

- InnoDB is the leading transactional storage engine for MySQL
- InnoDB's architecture is well-suited to modern, online transactional applications; as well as embedded applications.
- InnoDB's file format is designed for high durability, better performance, and easy to manage



InnoDB Size Limits

- Max # of tables: 4 G
- Max size of a table: 32TB
- Columns per table: 1000
- Max row size: n*4 GB
 - 8 kB if stored on the same page
 - n*4 GB with n BLOBs
- Max key length: 3500
- Maximum tablespace size: 64 TB
- Max # of concurrent trxs: 1023

