Announcements







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- Used peer-to-peer to find other beacons

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- Beacons provide file service for other beacons
- Used central server to find other beacons

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Beacons provide file service for other beacons, even if they are not directly accessible

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- Beacon1 tries to get a file which is available in Beacon4
- Beacon1 does not know that it is available in Beacon4

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Home work 3 – Step 1



to find other beacons, extend with multiple beacon servers

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Networking, you should simulate partitioning

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Home work 3 – Flooding & Replication



and Beacon2. Hopcount=2

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 - Can use flooding or sequential approach
 - Describe scalability, robustness etc.



Outline

- Replication in the Harp File System, Barbara Liskov, Sanjay Ghemawat, Robert Gruber, Paul Johnson, Liuba Shrira, Michael Williams, MIT
 - Barbara Liskov first woman to receive Ph.D. in Computer Science in the US (1968, Stanford). Faculty at MIT since 1972



HARP – Highly Available Reliable Persistent

- Provides highly available, reliable storage for files
- Guarantees atomic file operations in spite of concurrency and failure
- Primary copy replication (Eager master)
 - Master server authoritative
 - Replicas backup servers
 - Updates are sent to "enough" replicas to guarantee failsafe behavior
- Log structured updates



HARP - Operating Environment

- Bunch of nodes connected by a network
- Fail-stop Nodes fail by crashing (they don't limp along)
- Network may lose, duplicate messages, deliver messages out of order (but not corrupt messages)
- Loosely synchronized clocks
- Each server is equipped with a small UPS

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Replication Method

- Primary-copy method
- One node acts as the primary clients request from this primary
- Primary contacts backups
- Two-phase modifications
 - Phase 1:
 - Primary informs the backups about modification
 - Backups acknowledge receipt of modification
 - Primary commits and returns
 - Phase 2:

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• Primary informs backups of commit in background



Failover protocol

- Failover protocol view change
- View change

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- failed node removed from service
- Recovered node is put back into service
- Primary of new view maybe different from old view
- Clients requests sent to primary of new view
- 2n+1 servers for tolerating n failures

Failover – Contd.

- Store n+1 copies
- N nodes witness view change to make sure only one view is selected
- Each replicate group manages one or more file systems
 - 1 designated primary
 - N designated backups
 - N designated witnesses



Normal case processing

- Primary maintains a log in volatile memory in which it records modification operations
- Some records are phase 1 while others are for operations that have committed
- Primary maintains a commit point (CP); index of the latest committed operation
- An apply process applies committed operations to the file system (AP) asynchronously
- Lower Bound pointer records operations that were written to disk
- Global LB is used to cleanup the logs



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Volatile state of the modification logs





Normal case operations

- Operations that do not modify file system state (get file attributes – e.g. ls) entirely in primary. Performed on committed writes.
- Non-modifications can lead to problems in network partitions. Hence they use loosely synchronized clocks and restrict view change after a interval δ since the last message



View change

- Requirements
 - Correctness: Operations must appear to be executed in commit order
 - E.g. create file, list file, delete file expects a certain ordering
 - Reliability: Effects of committed operations must survive single failures and simultaneous failures
 - Availability:
 - Timelines: Fail-over must be done in a timely manner
- Details in paper

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• Use event records to avoid problems with multiple applications of event records



Discussion

