Amazon Aurora Deep Dive

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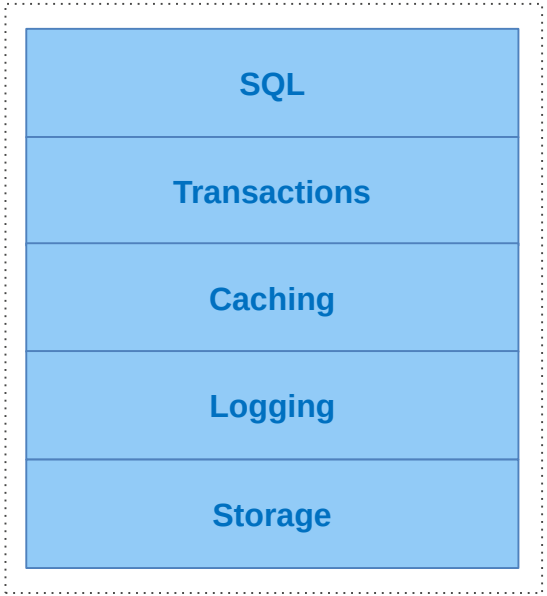
Agenda

- Why did we build Amazon Aurora?
  - Why add PostgreSQL compatibility?
- Durability and Availability Architecture
- Performance Results
- Performance Architecture
- Announcing *Performance Insights*
- Getting Data In
- Feature Roadmap
- Preview Information & Questions

Traditional relational databases are hard to scale

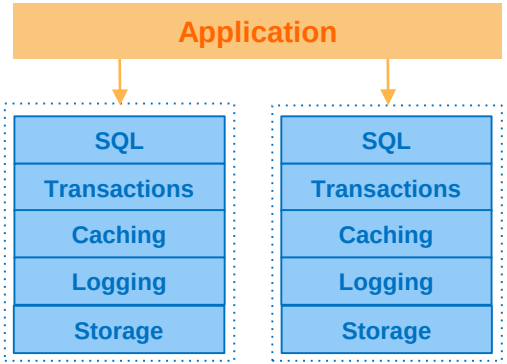


Multiple layers of functionality all in a monolithic stack

Traditional approaches to scale databases

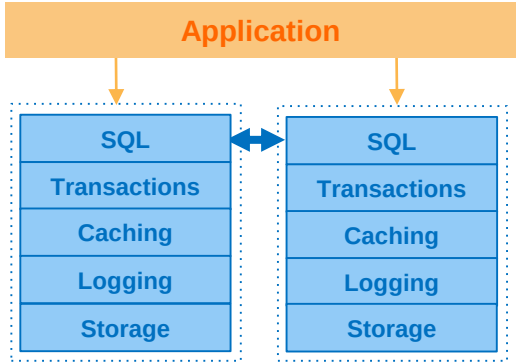
Sharding

Coupled at the application layer



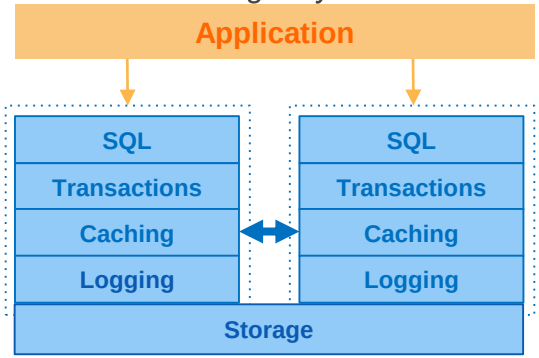
Shared Nothing

Coupled at the SQL layer



Shared Disk

Coupled at the caching and storage layer



Each architecture is limited by the monolithic mindset

Reimagining the relational database

What if you were inventing the database today?

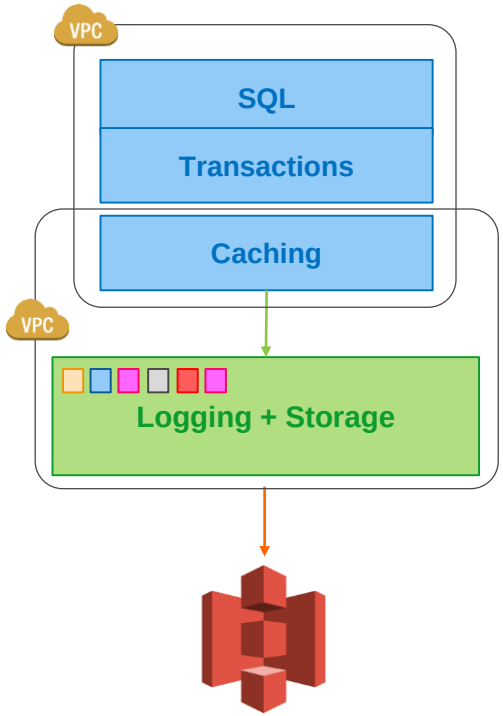
- You would break apart the stack
- You would build something that:
  - ✓ Can scale out…
  - ✓ Is self-healing…
  - ✓ Leverages distributed services…

A service-oriented architecture applied to the database

1. Move the logging and storage layer into a multitenant, scale-out, database-optimized storage service

2. Integrate with other AWS services like Amazon EC2, Amazon VPC, Amazon DynamoDB, Amazon SWF, and Amazon Route 53 for control & monitoring

3. Make it a managed service – using Amazon RDS. Takes care of management and administrative functions.



Amazon S3

Amazon RDS

Amazon DynamoDB

Amazon SWF

Amazon Route 53

What is Amazon Aurora?

Cloud-optimized relational database

Performance and availability of commercial databases

Simplicity and cost-effectiveness of open source databases, with MySQL compatibility

So what’s next?

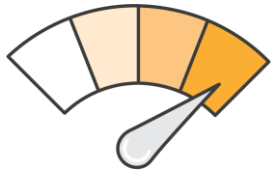
Making Amazon Aurora Better

In 2014, we launched Amazon Aurora with MySQL compatibility.

Now, we are adding PostgreSQL compatibility.

Customers can now choose how to use Amazon's cloud-optimized relational database, with the performance and availability of commercial databases and the simplicity and cost-effectiveness of open source databases.

Start With the Customer – Why Add PostgreSQL?



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MySQL

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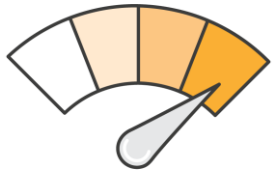

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PostgreSQL

PostgreSQL Fast Facts

Open Source Initiative

- Open source database
- In active development for 20 years
- Owned by a foundation, not a single company
- Permissive innovation-friendly open source license
- High performance out of the box
- Object-oriented and ANSI-SQL:2008 compatible
- Most geospatial features of any open-source database
- Supports stored procedures in 12 languages (Java, Perl, Python, Ruby, Tcl, C/C++, its own Oracle-like PL/pgSQL, etc.)
- Most Oracle-compatible open-source database
- Highest AWS Schema Conversion Tool automatic conversion rates are from Oracle to PostgreSQL

What does PostgreSQL compatibility mean?

PostgreSQL 9.6 + Amazon Aurora cloud-optimized storage

- Performance: Up to 2x+ better performance than PostgreSQL alone
- Availability: failover time of < 30 seconds
- Durability: 6 copies across 3 Availability Zones
- Read Replicas: single-digit millisecond lag times on up to 15 replicas

Amazon Aurora Storage

What does PostgreSQL compatibility mean?

- Cloud-native security and encryption
  - AWS Key Management Service (KMS) and AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM)
- Easy to manage with Amazon RDS
- Easy to load and unload
  - AWS Database Migration Service and AWS Schema Conversion Tool
- Fully compatible with PostgreSQL, now and for the foreseeable future
  - Not a compatibility layer – native PostgreSQL implementation

PostgreSQL

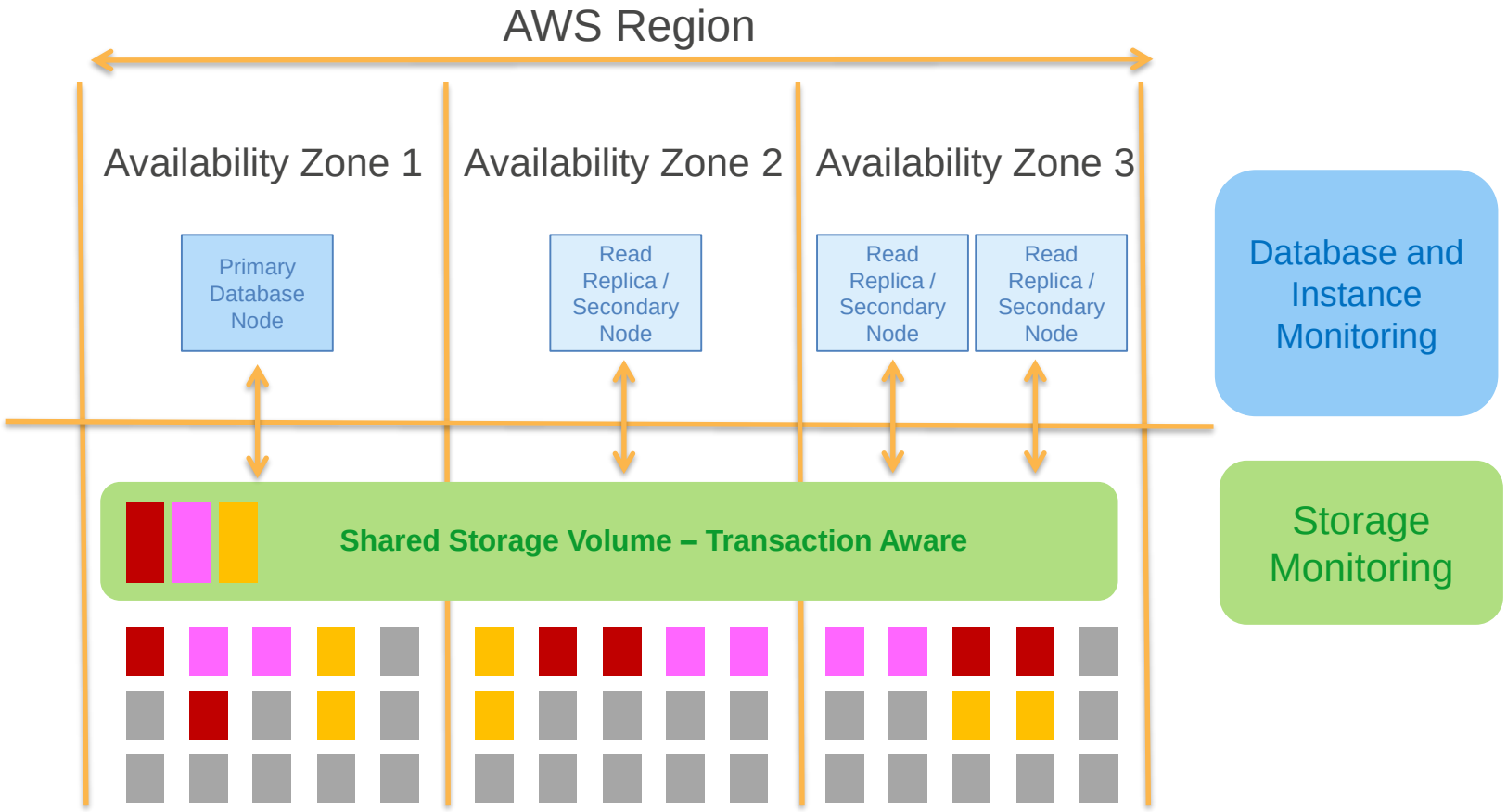
Amazon RDS

AWS DMS

Amazon Aurora

Durability & Availability

Scale-out, distributed, log structured storage



Amazon Aurora Storage Engine Overview

Data is replicated 6 times across 3 Availability Zones

Continuous backup to Amazon S3
(built for 11 9s durability)

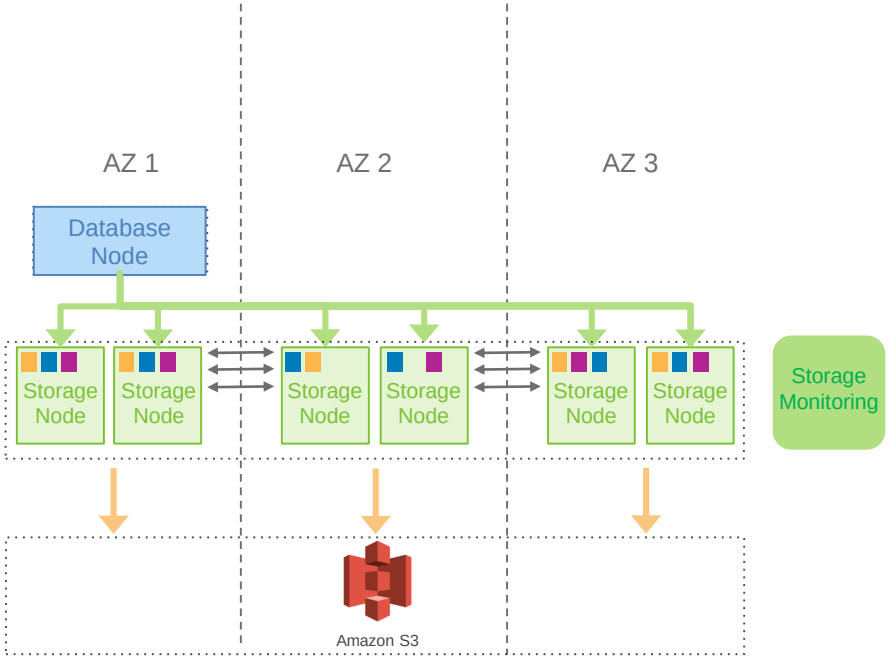
Continuous monitoring of nodes and disks for repair

10GB segments as unit of repair or hotspot rebalance

Quorum system for read/write; latency tolerant

Quorum membership changes do not stall writes

Storage volume automatically grows up to 64 TB



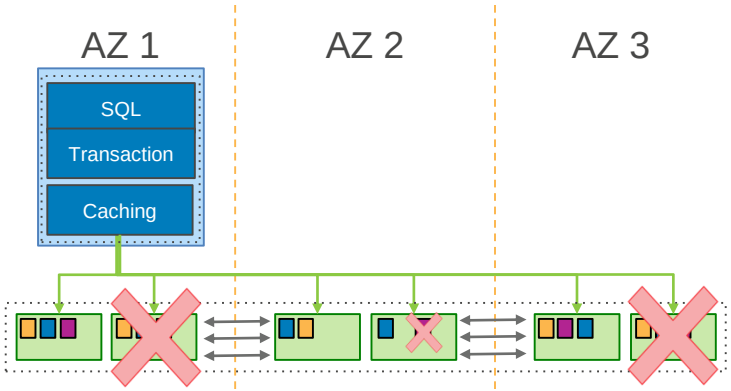
Amazon Aurora Storage Engine Fault-tolerance

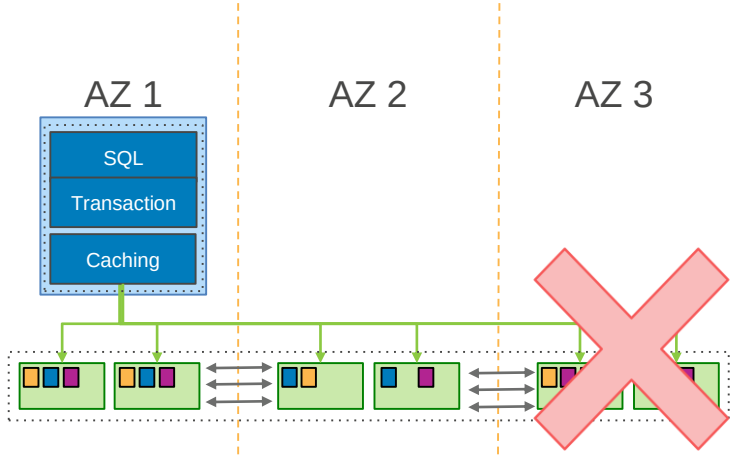
What can fail?

- Segment failures (disks)
- Node failures (machines)
- AZ failures (network or datacenter)

Optimizations

- 4 out of 6 write quorum
- 3 out of 6 read quorum
- Peer-to-peer replication for repairs





Amazon Aurora Replicas

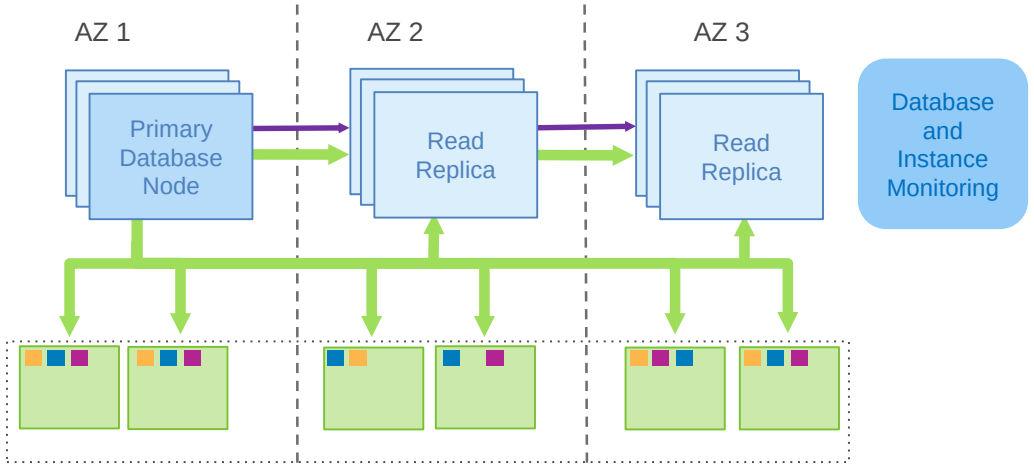
Availability

Failing database nodes are automatically detected and replaced

Failing database processes are automatically detected and recycled

Replicas are automatically promoted to primary if needed (failover)

Customer specifiable fail-over order

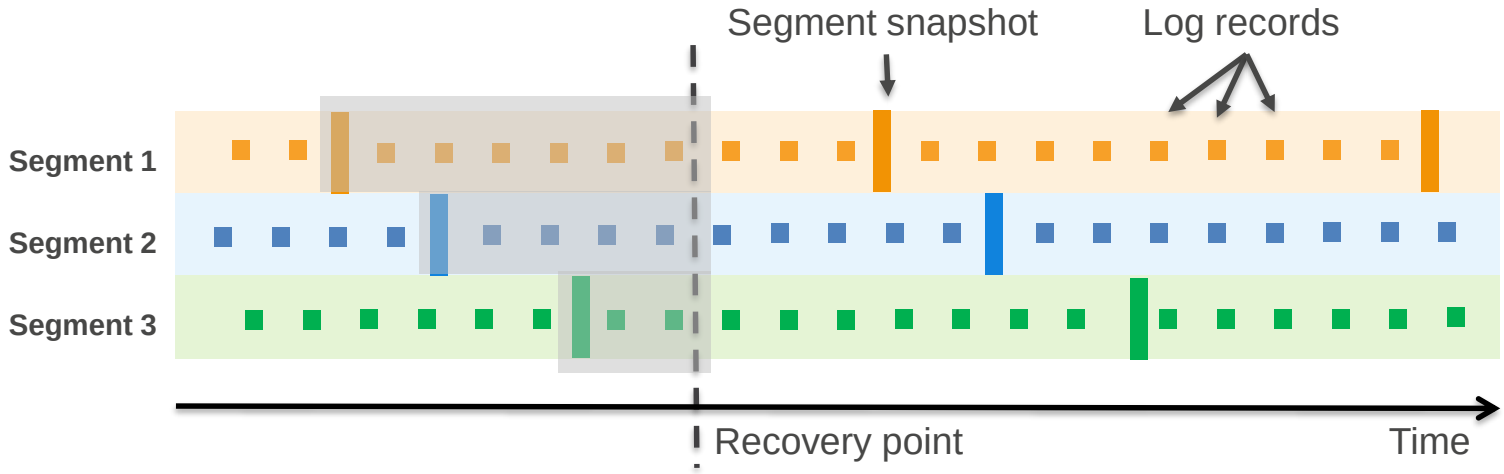


Performance

Customer applications can scale out read traffic across read replicas

Read balancing across read replicas

Amazon Aurora Continuous Backup



- Take periodic snapshot of each segment in parallel; stream the logs to Amazon S3
- Backup happens continuously without performance or availability impact
- At restore, retrieve the appropriate segment snapshots and log streams to storage nodes
- Apply log streams to segment snapshots in parallel and asynchronously

Amazon Aurora Instant Crash Recovery

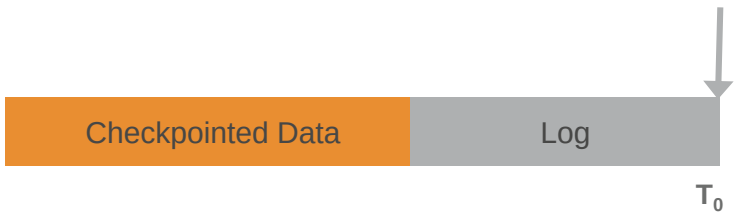
Traditional databases

Have to replay logs since the last checkpoint

Typically 5 minutes between checkpoints

Single-threaded in MySQL and PostgreSQL; requires a large number of disk accesses

Crash at T_0 requires a re-application of the SQL in the log since last checkpoint



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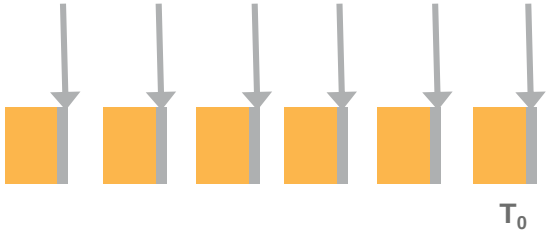
No replay at startup because storage system is transaction-aware

Underlying storage replays log records continuously, whether in recovery or not

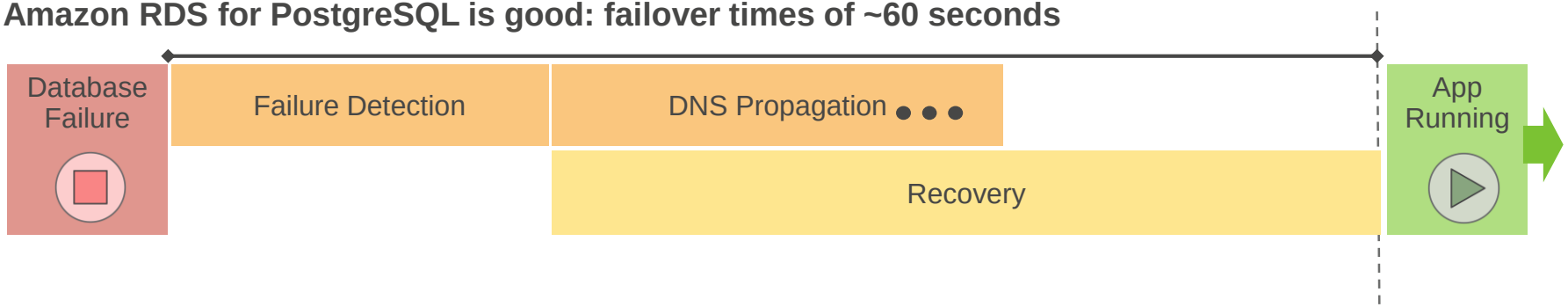
Coalescing is parallel, distributed, and asynchronous

Crash at T_0 will result in logs being applied to each segment on demand, in parallel, asynchronously

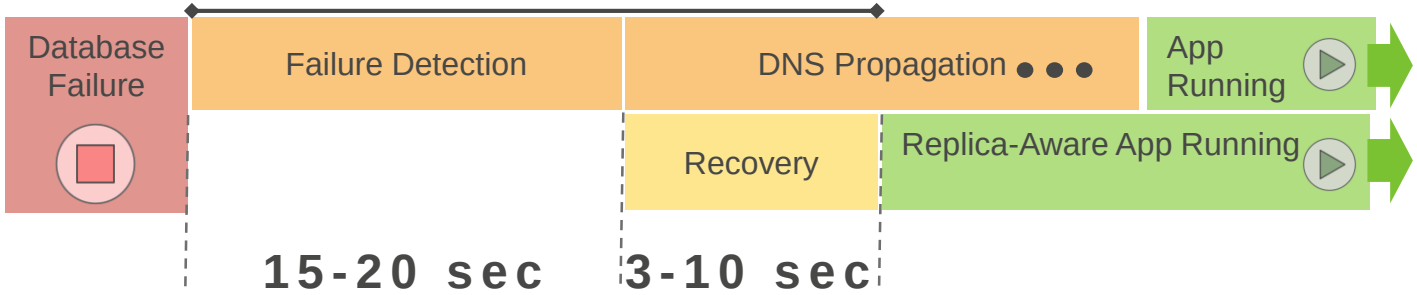


Faster, more predictable failover with Amazon Aurora

Amazon RDS for PostgreSQL is good: failover times of ~60 seconds



Amazon Aurora is better: failover times < 30 seconds



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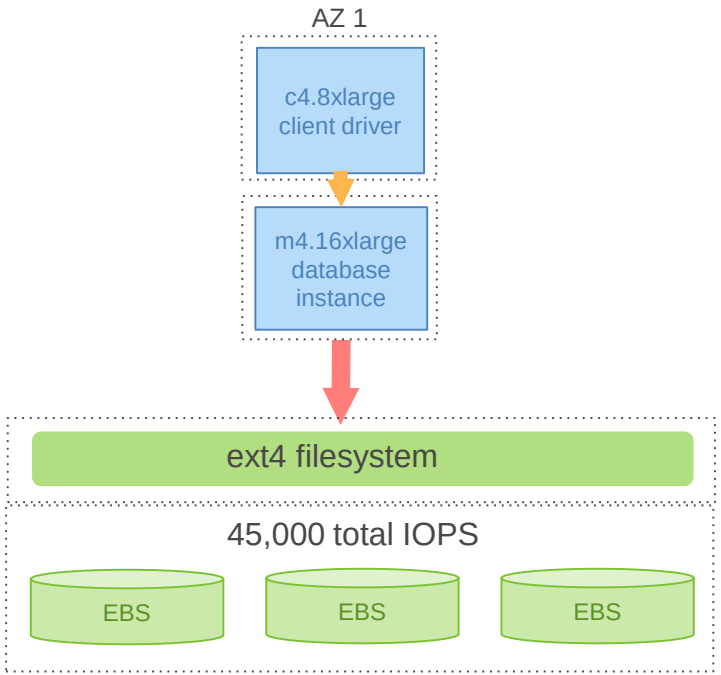
Performance vs. PostgreSQL

Benchmark System Configurations

PostgreSQL



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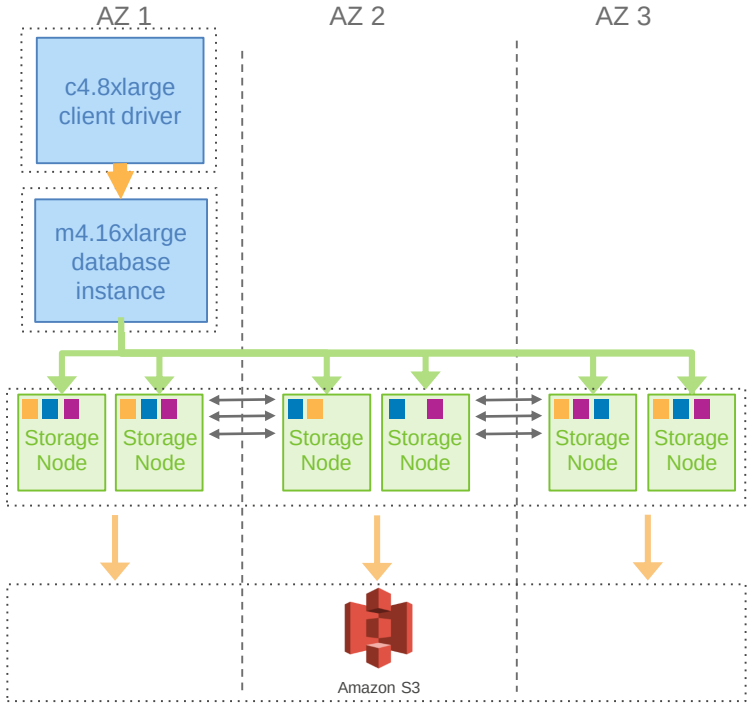
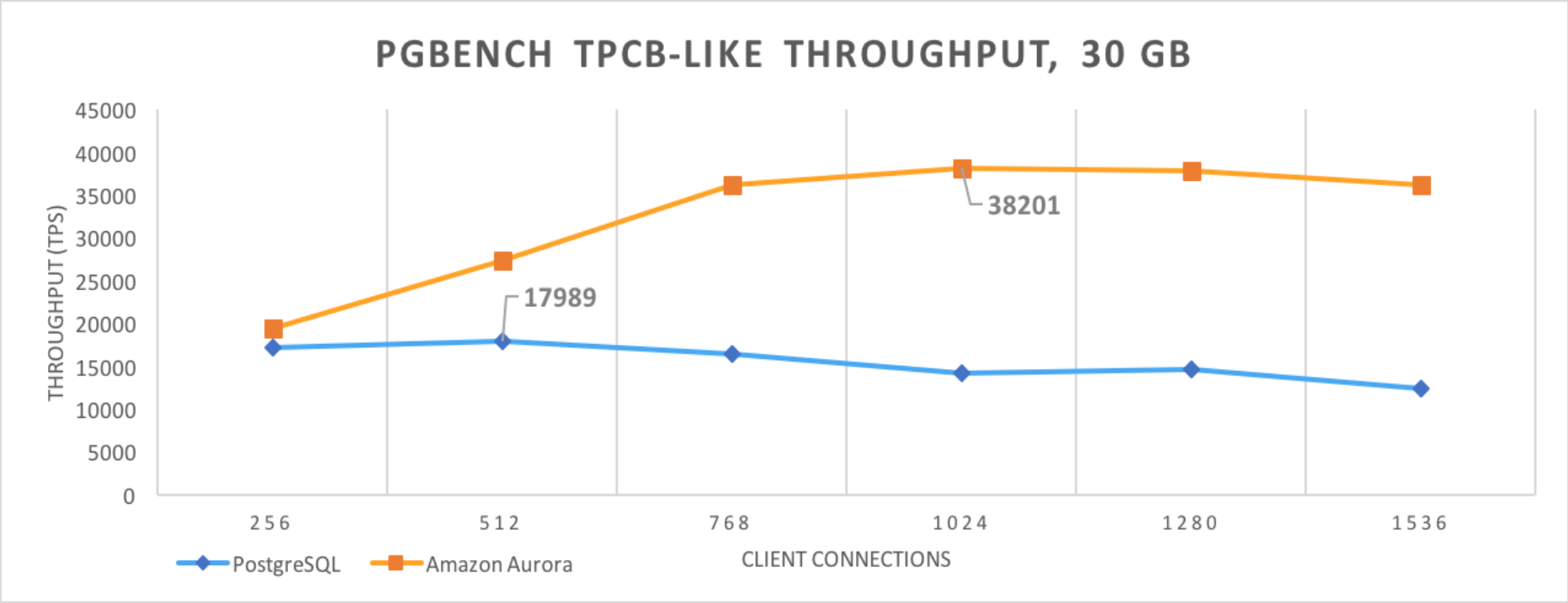


m4.16xlarge (64 VCPU, 256GiB), c4.8xlarge (36 VCPU, 60GiB)

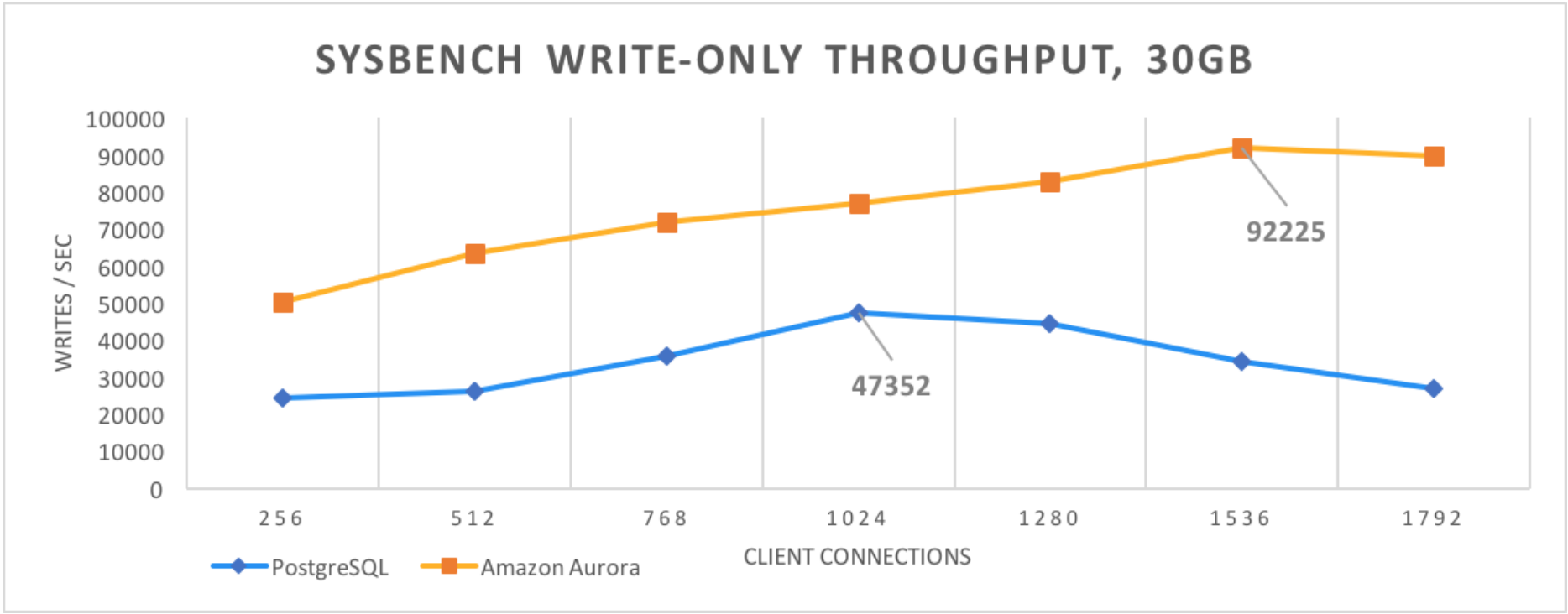
Amazon Aurora is >=2x Faster on PgBench



pgbench “tpcb-like” workload, scale 2000 (30GiB). All configurations run for 60 minutes

Amazon Aurora is 2x-3x Faster on SysBench

Amazon Aurora delivers 2x the absolute peak of PostgreSQL and 3x PostgreSQL performance at high client counts



SysBench oltp(write-only) workload with 30 GB database with 250 tables and 400,000 initial rows per table

Amazon Aurora: Over 120,000 Writes/Sec

Sustained sysbench throughput over 120K writes/sec

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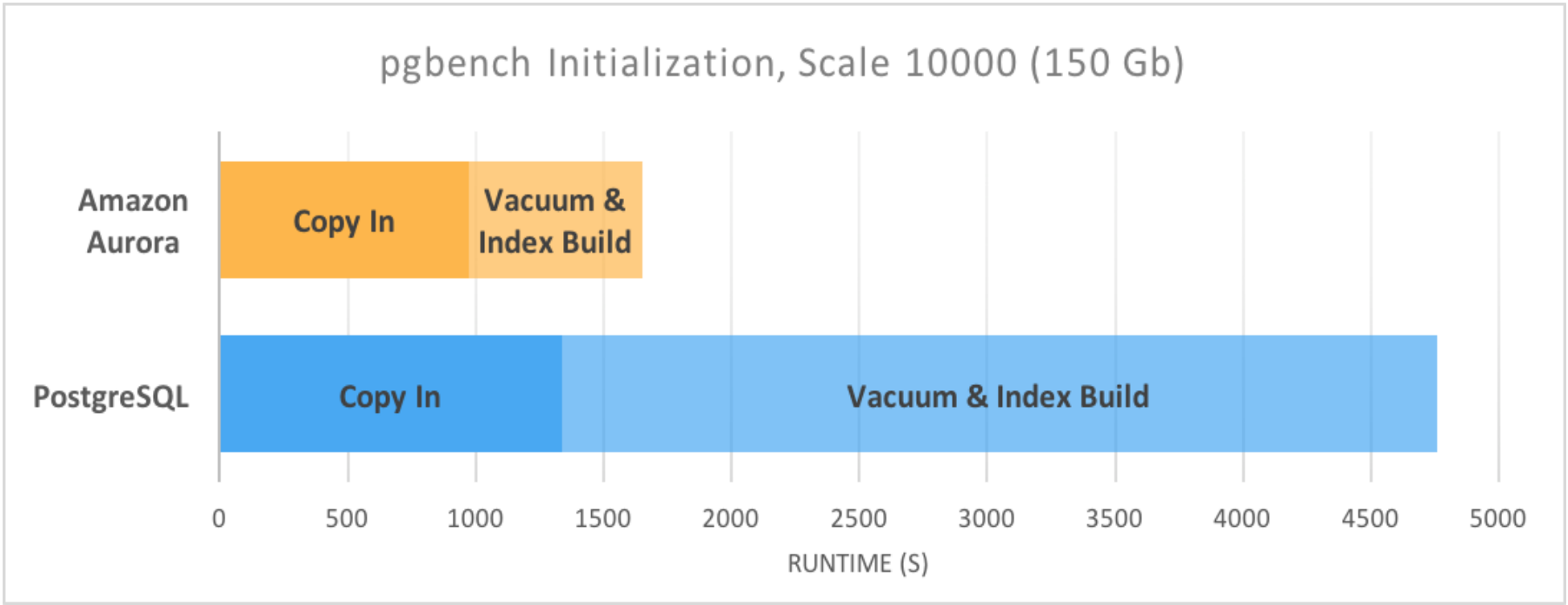
OLTP test statistics:
    queries performed:
        read:                            0
        write:                           432772903
        other:(begin + commit)           216366749
        total:                           649139652
    transactions:                        108163671 (30044.73 per sec.)
    read/write requests:                 432772903 (120211.75 per sec.)
    other operations:                    216366749 (60100.40 per sec.)
    ignored errors:                      39407  (10.95 per sec.)
    reconnects:                          0      (0.00 per sec.)
```

sysbench write-only 10GB workload with 250 tables and 25,000 initial rows per table. 10-minute warmup, 3,076 clients
Ignored errors are key constraint errors, designed into sysbench

Amazon Aurora Loads Data 3x Faster

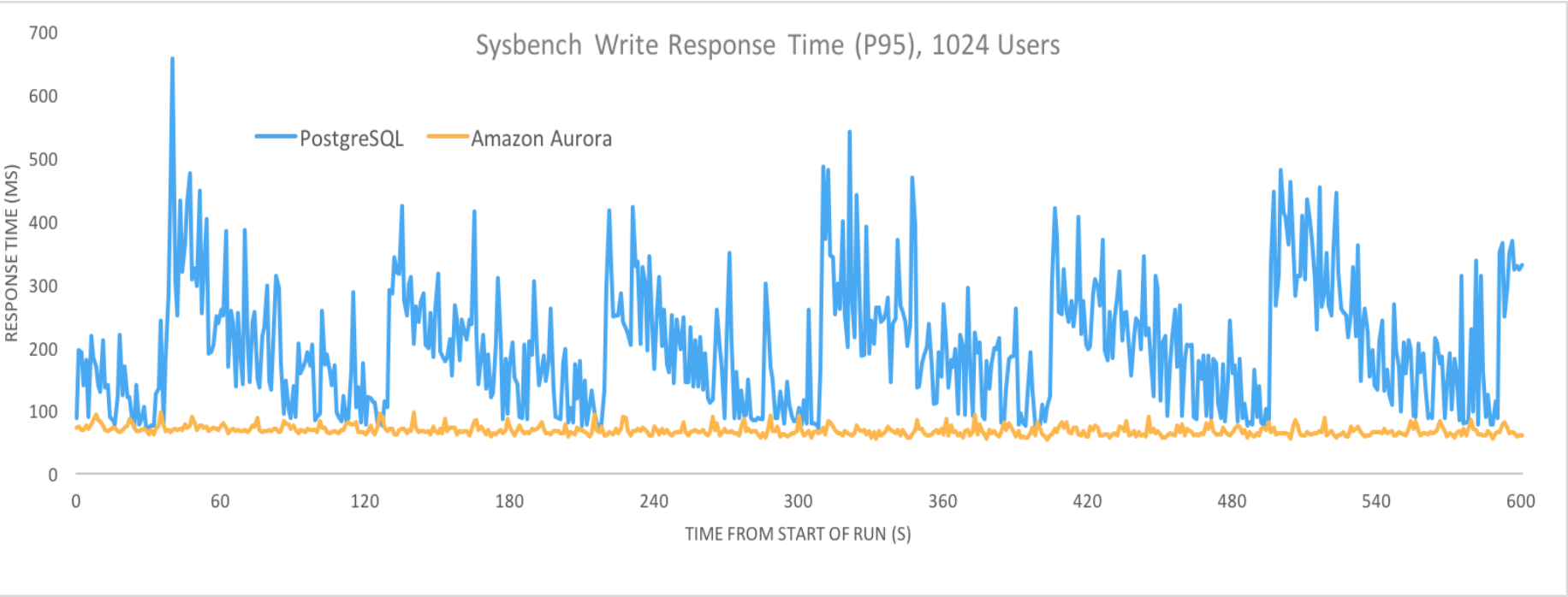
Database initialization is three times faster than PostgreSQL using the standard PgBench benchmark



Command: `pgbench -i -s 2000 -F 90`

Amazon Aurora Gives >2x Faster Response Times

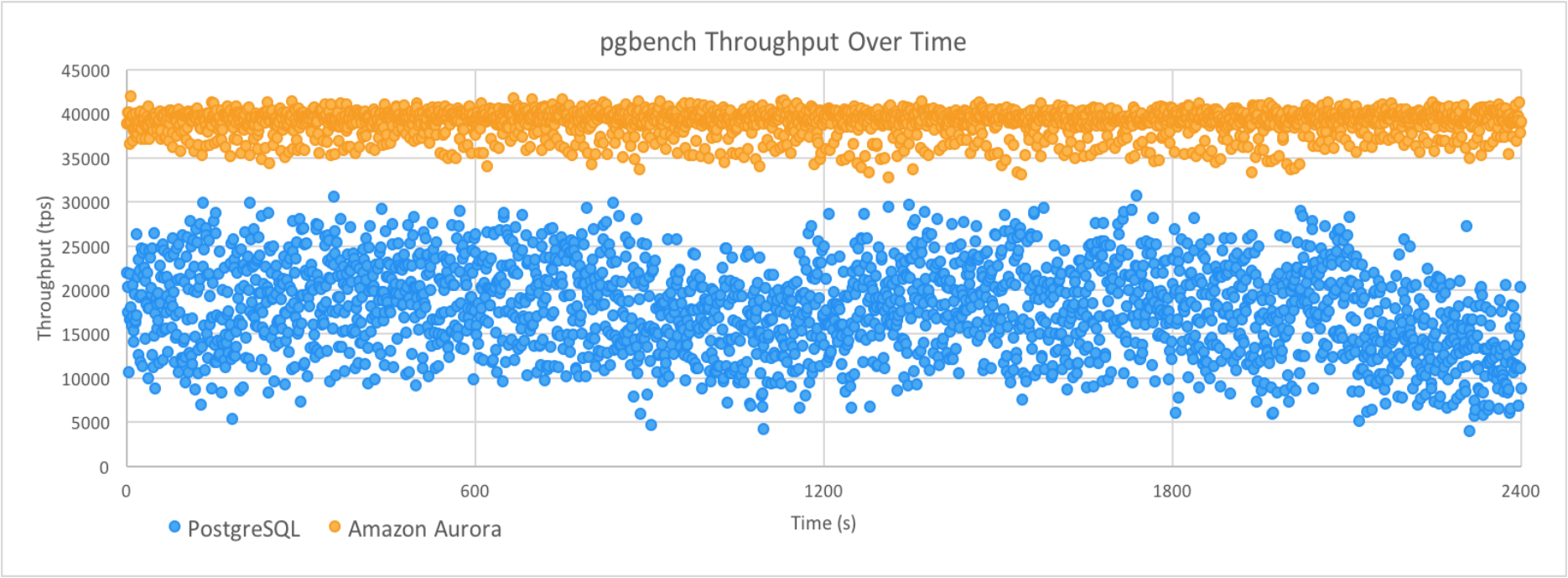
Response time under heavy write load >2x faster than PostgreSQL (and >10x more consistent)



SysBench oltp(write-only) 23GiB workload with 250 tables and 300,000 initial rows per table. 10-minute warmup.

Amazon Aurora Has More Consistent Throughput

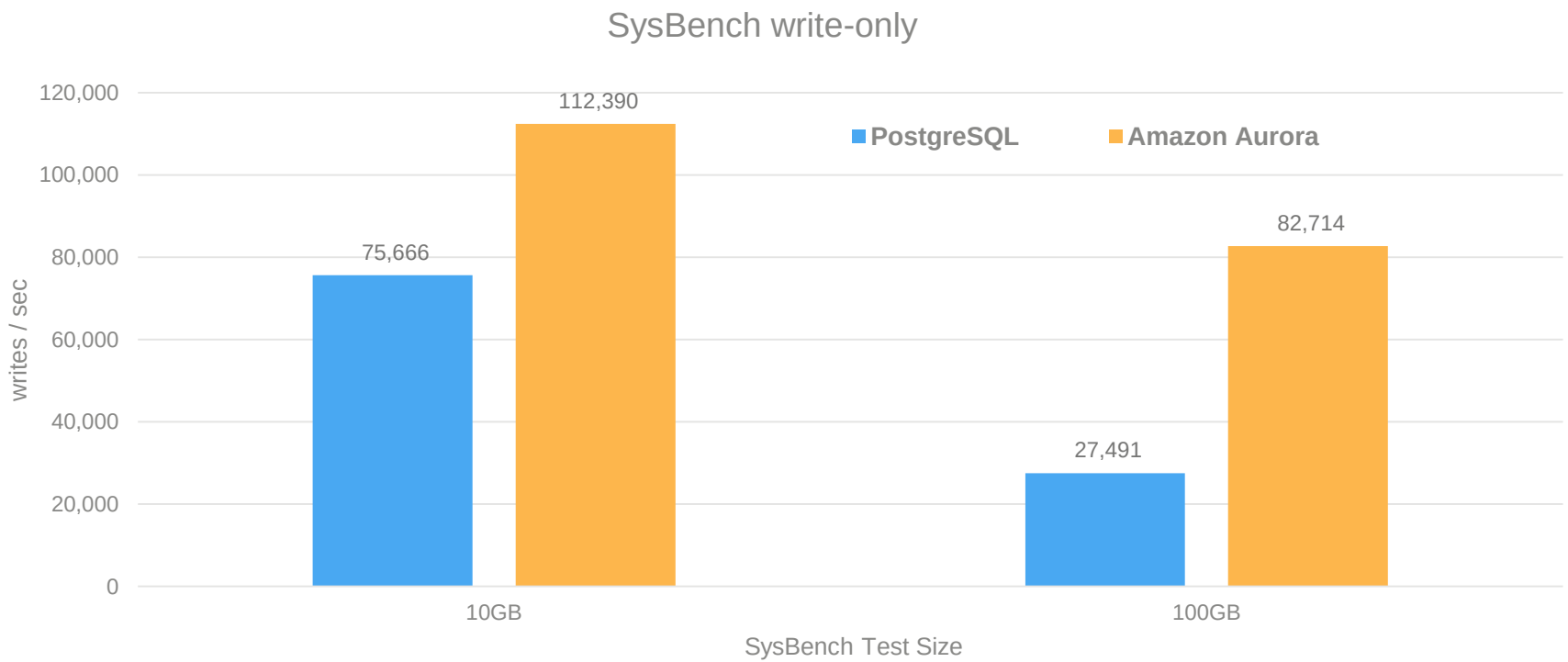
While running at load, performance is more than three times more consistent than PostgreSQL



PgBench “tpcb-like” workload at scale 2000. Amazon Aurora was run with 1280 clients. PostgreSQL was run with 512 clients (the concurrency at which it delivered the best overall throughput)

Amazon Aurora is 3x Faster at Large Scale

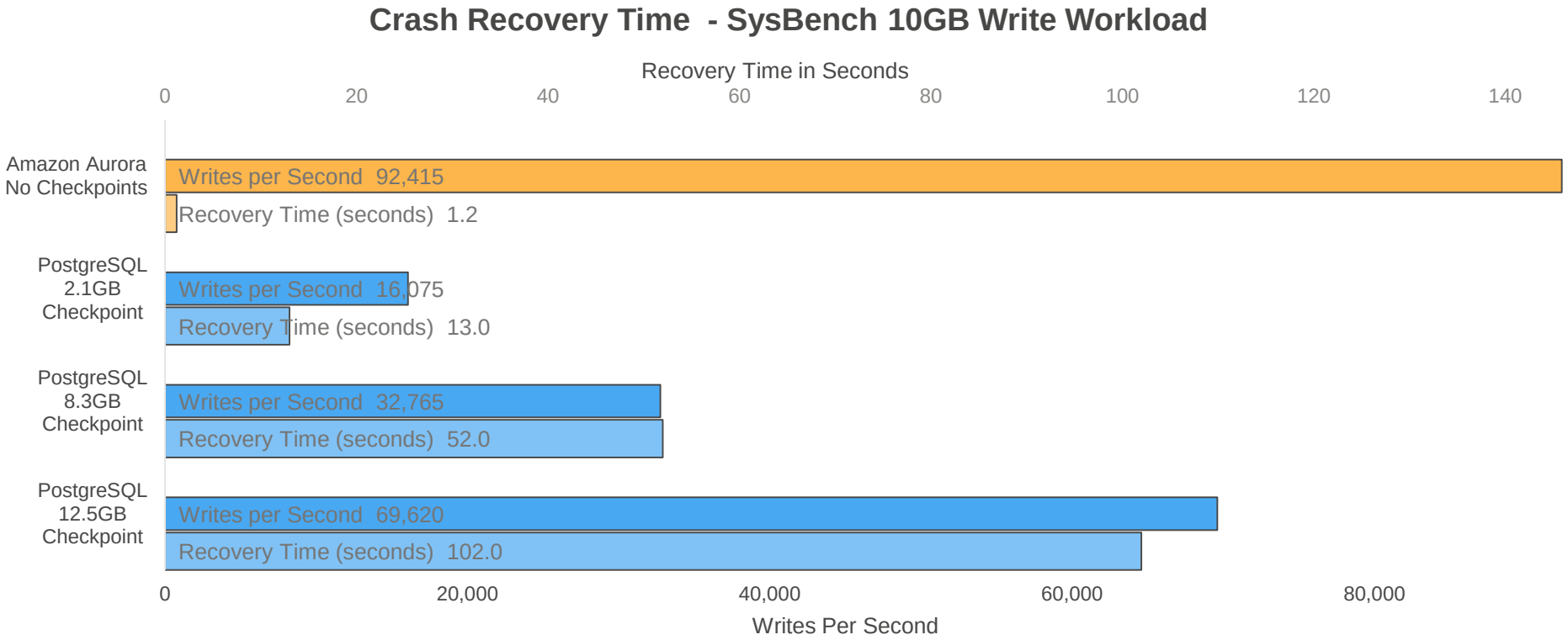
Scales from 1.5x to 3x faster as database grows from 10 GiB to 100 GiB



SysBench oltp(write-only) – 10GiB with 250 tables & 150,000 rows and 100GiB with 250 tables & 1,500,000 rows

Amazon Aurora Delivers up to 85x Faster Recovery

Transaction-aware storage system **recovers almost instantly**



SysBench oltp(write-only) 10GiB workload with 250 tables & 150,000 rows

Amazon Aurora with PostgreSQL Compatibility

Performance By The Numbers

Measurement	Result
PgBench	>= 2x faster
SysBench	2x-3x faster
Data Loading	3x faster
Response Time	>2x faster
Throughput Jitter	>3x more consistent
Throughput at Scale	3x faster
Recovery Speed	Up to 85x faster

Amazon Aurora

Performance Architecture

How Does Amazon Aurora Achieve High Performance?

DO LESS WORK

Do fewer IOs

Minimize network packets

Offload the database engine

BE MORE EFFICIENT

Process asynchronously

Reduce latency path

Use lock-free data structures

Batch operations together

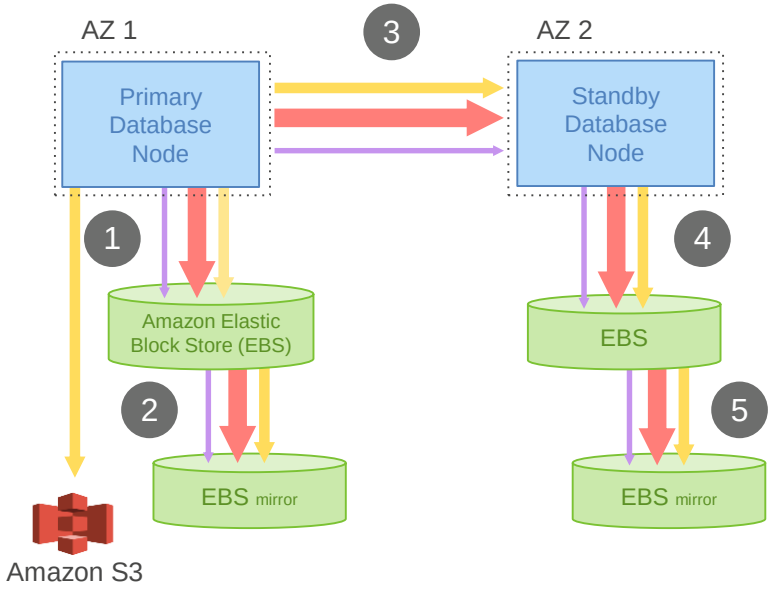
DATABASES ARE ALL ABOUT **I/O**

NETWORK-ATTACHED STORAGE IS ALL ABOUT **PACKETS/SECOND**

HIGH-THROUGHPUT PROCESSING NEEDS **CPU AND MEMORY OPTIMIZATIONS**

Write IO Traffic in Amazon RDS for PostgreSQL

RDS FOR POSTGRESQL WITH MULTI-AZ



IO FLOW

- Issue write to Amazon EBS, EBS issues to mirror, acknowledge when both done
- Stage write to standby instance
- Issue write to EBS on standby instance

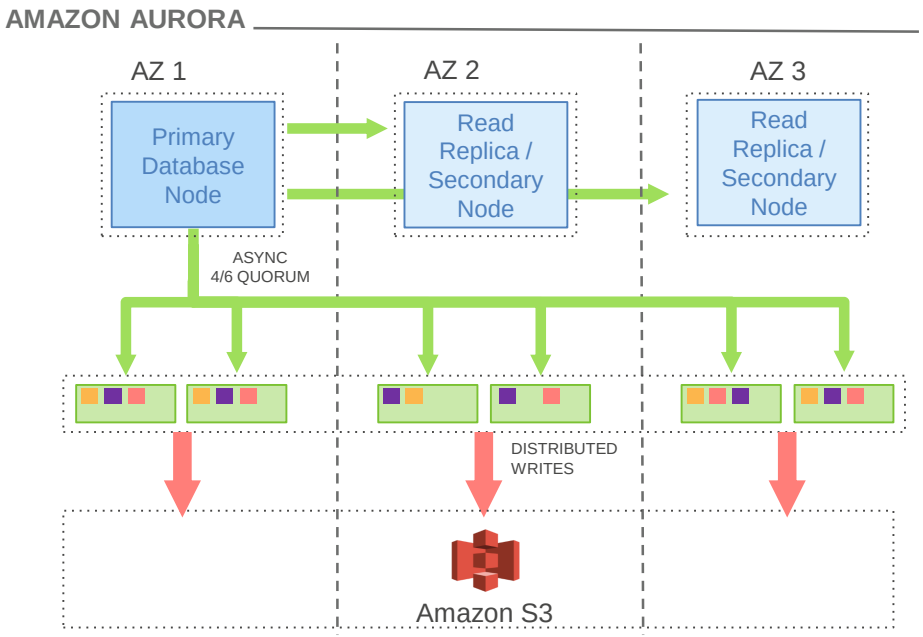
OBSERVATIONS

- Steps 1, 3, 5 are sequential and synchronous
- This amplifies both latency and jitter
- Many types of writes for each user operation

TYPE OF WRITE

WAL DATA COMMIT LOG & FILES

Write IO Traffic in an Amazon Aurora Database Node



IO FLOW

- Boxcar log records – fully ordered by LSN
- Shuffle to appropriate segments – partially ordered
- Boxcar to storage nodes and issue writes

OBSERVATIONS

- Only write WAL records; all steps asynchronous
- No data block writes (checkpoint, cache replacement)
- **6X more** log writes, but **9X less** network traffic
- Tolerant of network and storage outlier latency

PERFORMANCE

- 2x or better PostgreSQL Community Edition performance on write-only or mixed read-write workloads

TYPE OF WRITE

AMAZON AURORA + WAL LOG | WAL | DATA | COMMIT LOG & FILES

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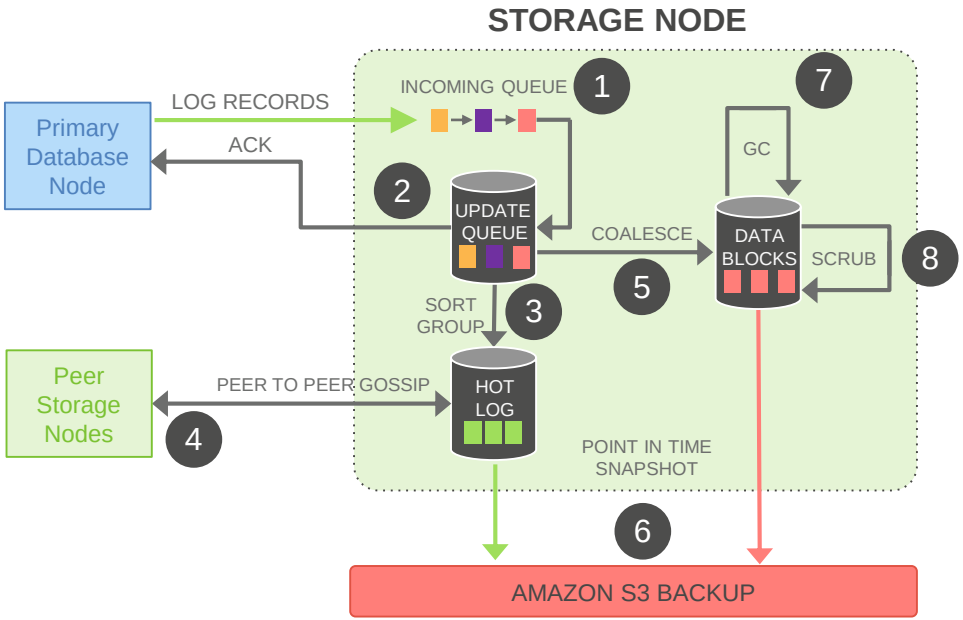


IO FLOW

1. Receive record and add to in-memory queue
2. Persist record and acknowledge
3. Organize records and identify gaps in log
4. Gossip with peers to fill in holes
5. Coalesce log records into new data block versions
6. Periodically stage log and new block versions to Amazon S3
7. Periodically garbage collect old versions
8. Periodically validate CRC codes on blocks

OBSERVATIONS

All steps are asynchronous

Only steps 1 and 2 are in foreground latency path

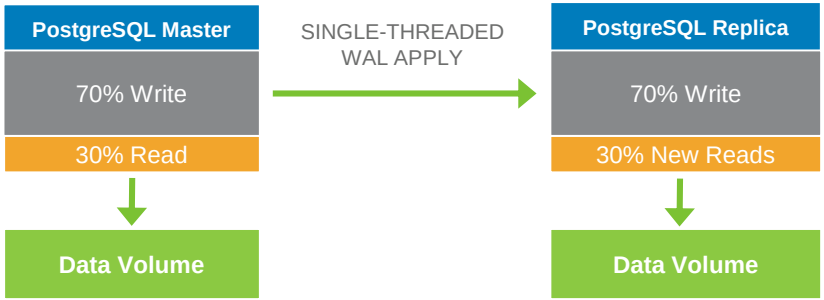
Input queue is **far smaller** than PostgreSQL

Favors latency-sensitive operations

Uses disk space to buffer against spikes in activity

IO traffic in Aurora Replicas

POSTGRESQL READ SCALING

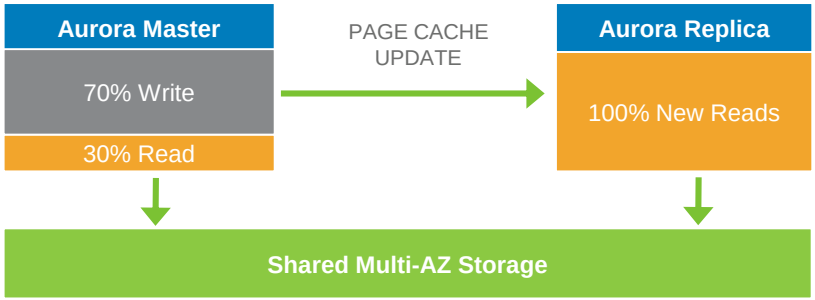


Physical: Ship redo (WAL) to Replica

Write workload similar on both instances

Independent storage

AMAZON AURORA READ SCALING



Physical: Ship redo (WAL) from Master to Replica

Replica shares storage. No writes performed

Cached pages have redo applied

Advance read view when all commits seen

Applications Restart Faster With Survivable Caches

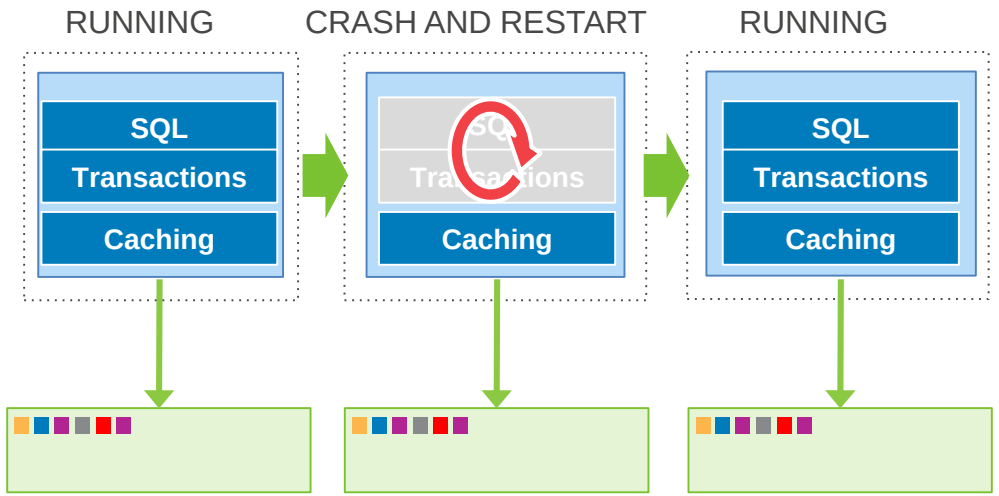
Cache normally lives inside the operating system database process– and goes away when/if that database dies

Aurora moves the cache out of the database process

Cache remains warm in the event of a database restart

Lets the database resume fully loaded operations much faster

Cache lives outside the database process and remains warm across database restarts



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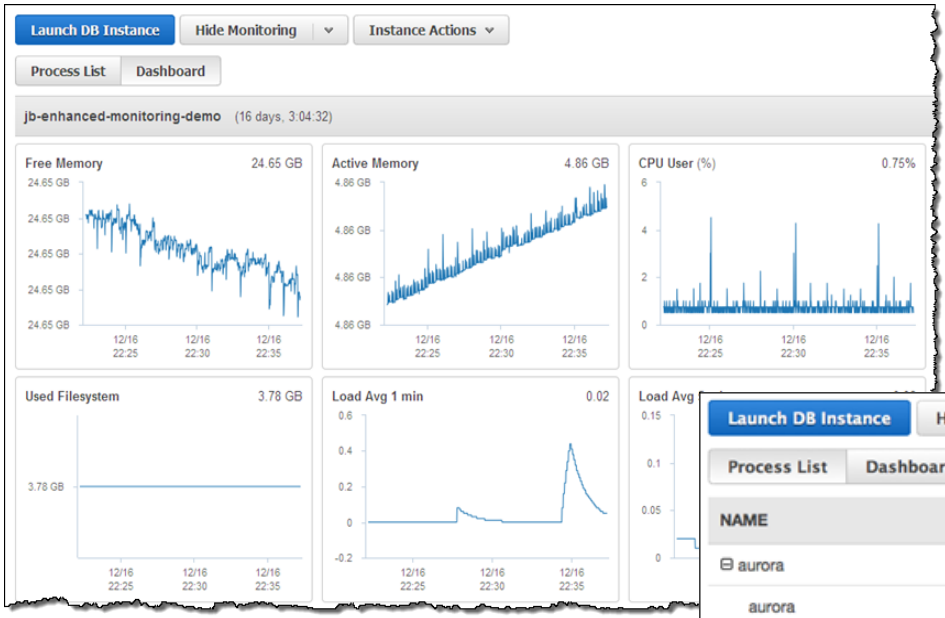
Performance monitoring and management

First Step: Enhanced Monitoring



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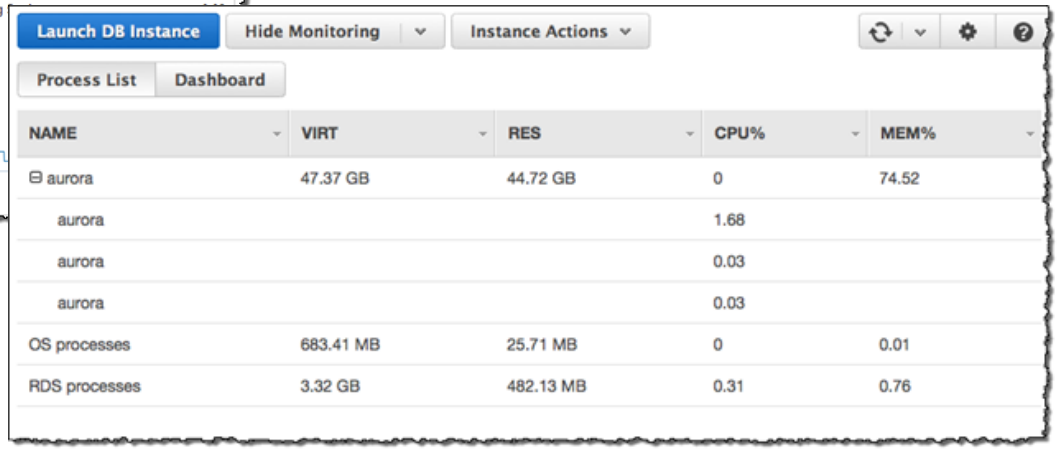
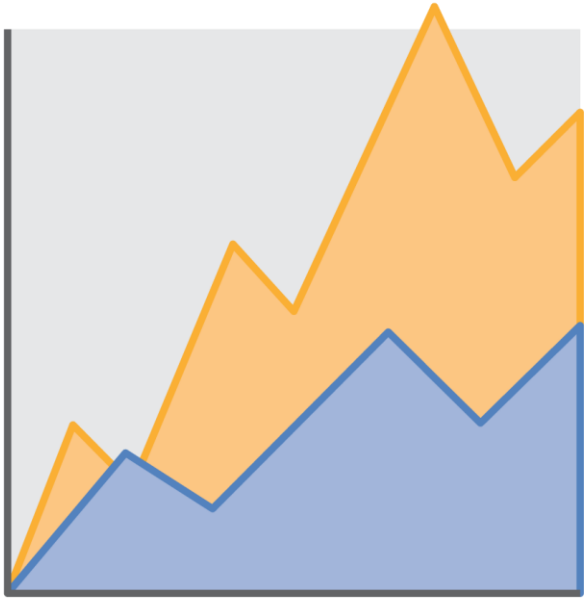
O/S Metrics

Process & thread List

Up to 1 second granularity

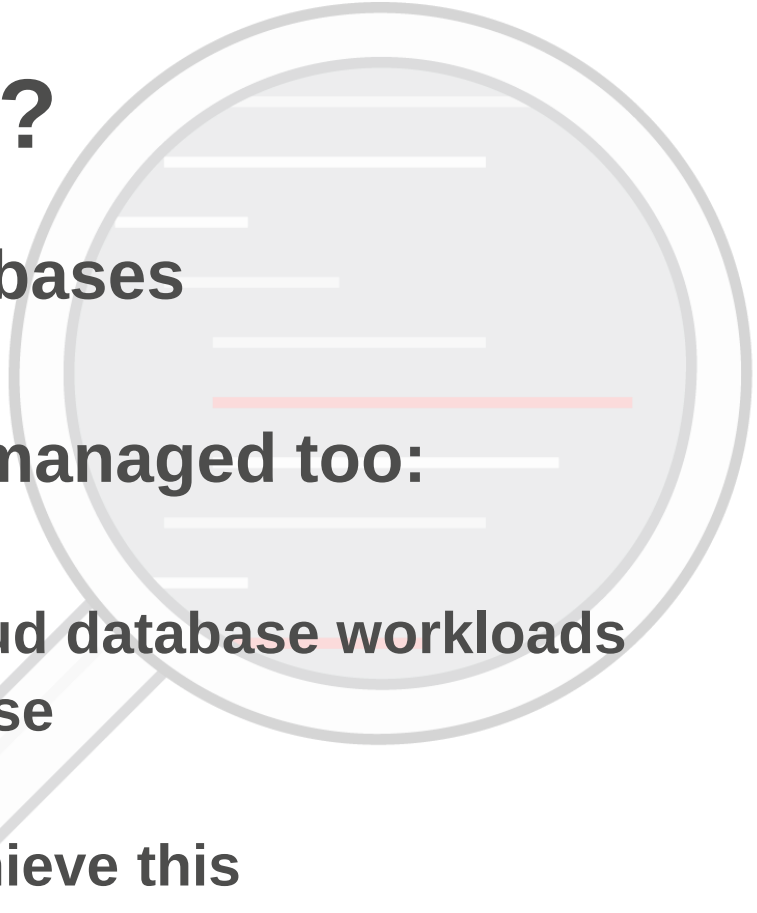


Next Step: Performance Insights



Database Engine
Performance Tuning

Why Database Tuning?



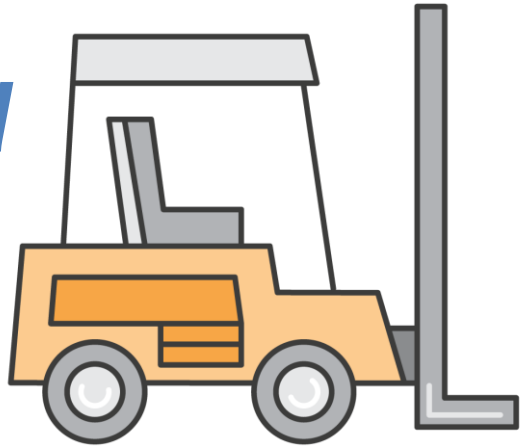
RDS is all about managed databases

Customers want performance managed too:

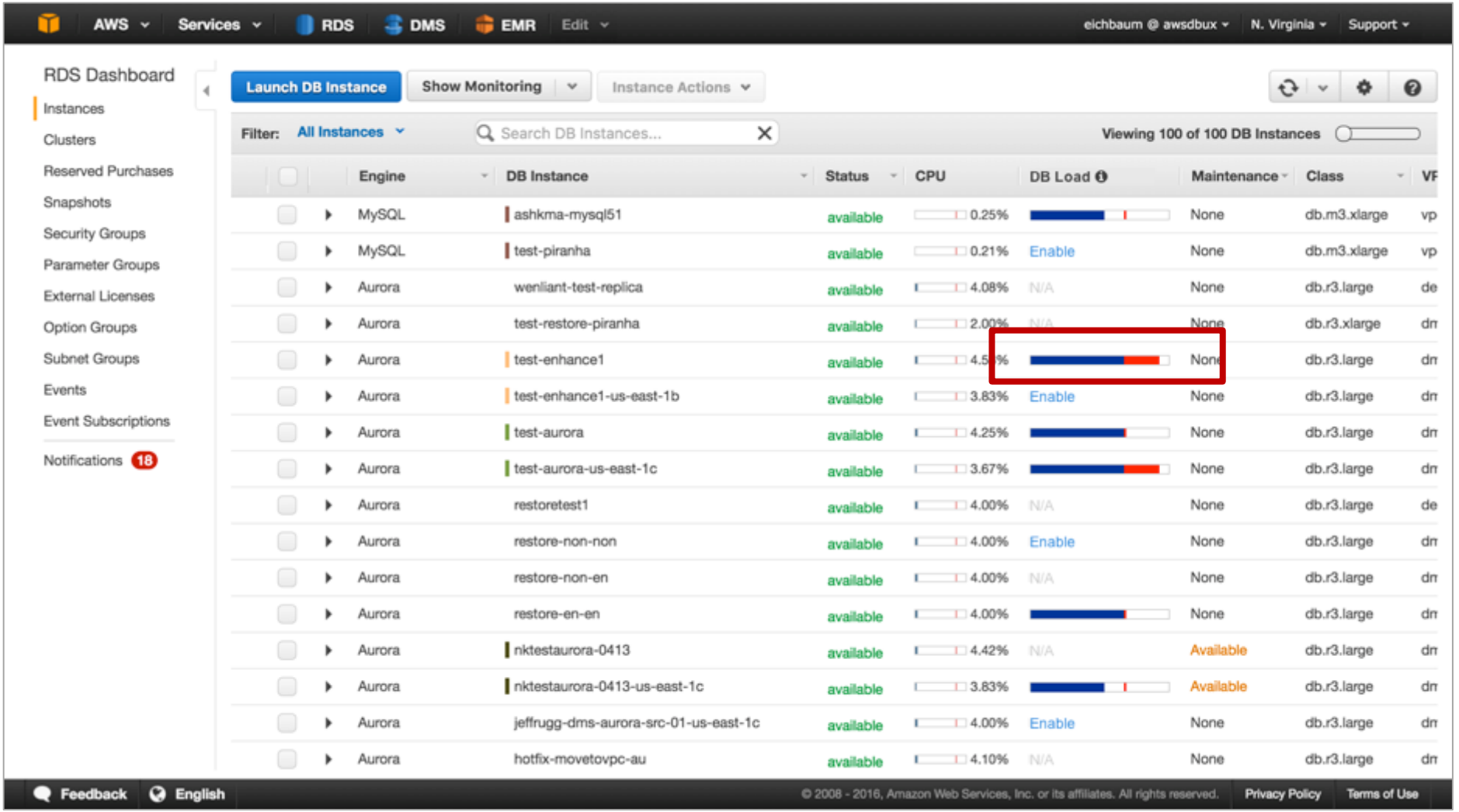
- ❑ **Want easy tool for optimizing cloud database workloads**
- ❑ **May not have deep tuning expertise**

→ Want a single pane of glass to achieve this

What makes *Database Load* such a useful metric?



- Based on sampling active database requests
- Frequent sampling builds a time model of usage
- Visualizations illuminate the time model in one chart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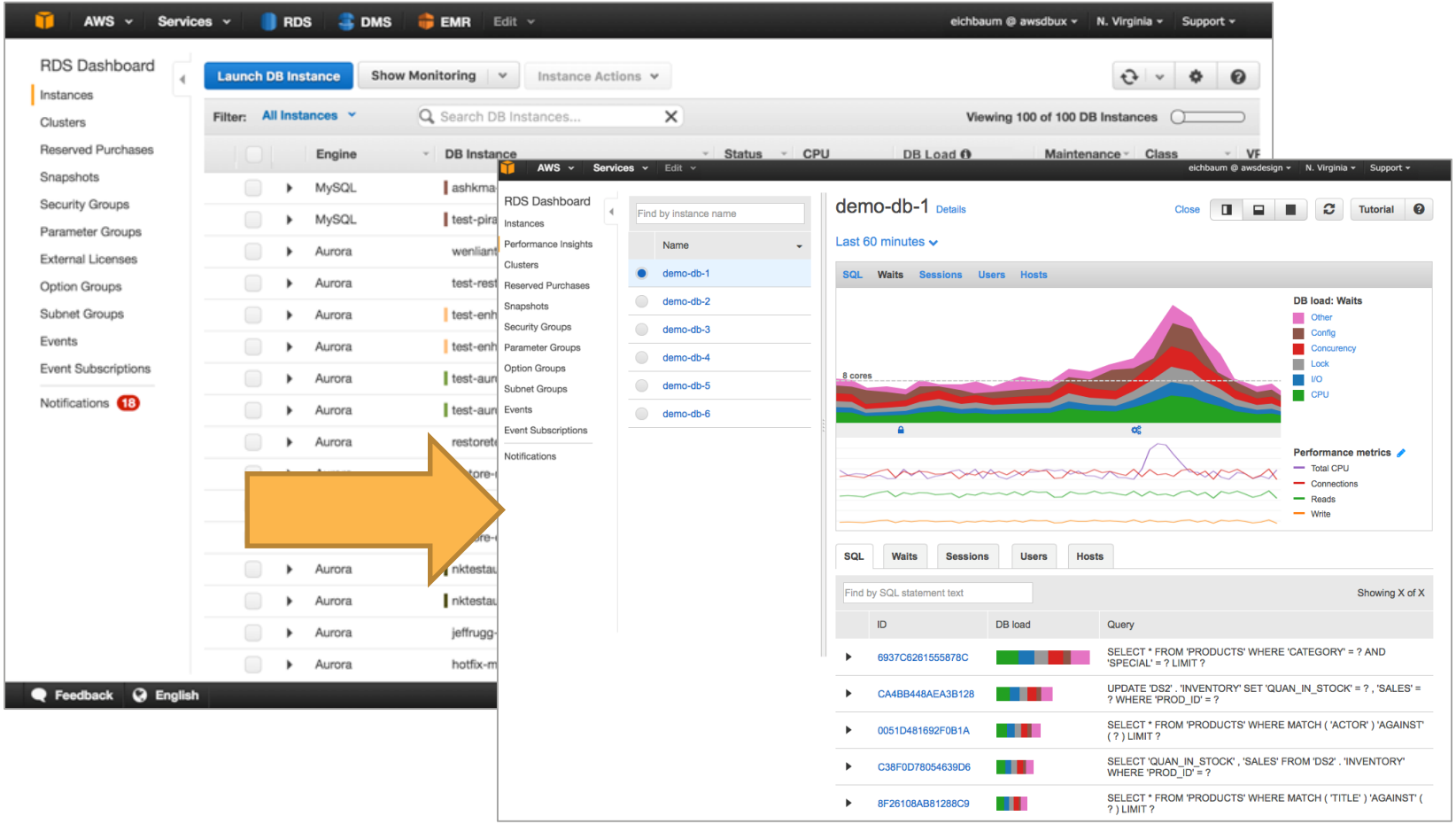
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SELECT * FROM 'PRODUCTS' WHERE 'CATEGORY' = ? AND 'SPECIAL' = ? LIMIT ?
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UPDATE 'DS2' . 'INVENTORY' SET 'QUAN_IN_STOCK' = ? , 'SALES' = ? WHERE 'PROD_ID' = ?
0051D481692F0B1A
SELECT * FROM 'PRODUCTS' WHERE MATCH ('ACTOR') 'AGAINST' (?) LIMIT ?
C38F0D78054639D6
SELECT 'QUAN_IN_STOCK' , 'SALES' FROM 'DS2' . 'INVENTORY' WHERE 'PROD_ID' = ?
8F26108AB81288C9
SELECT * FROM 'PRODUCTS' WHERE MATCH ('TITLE') 'AGAINST' (?) LIMIT ?

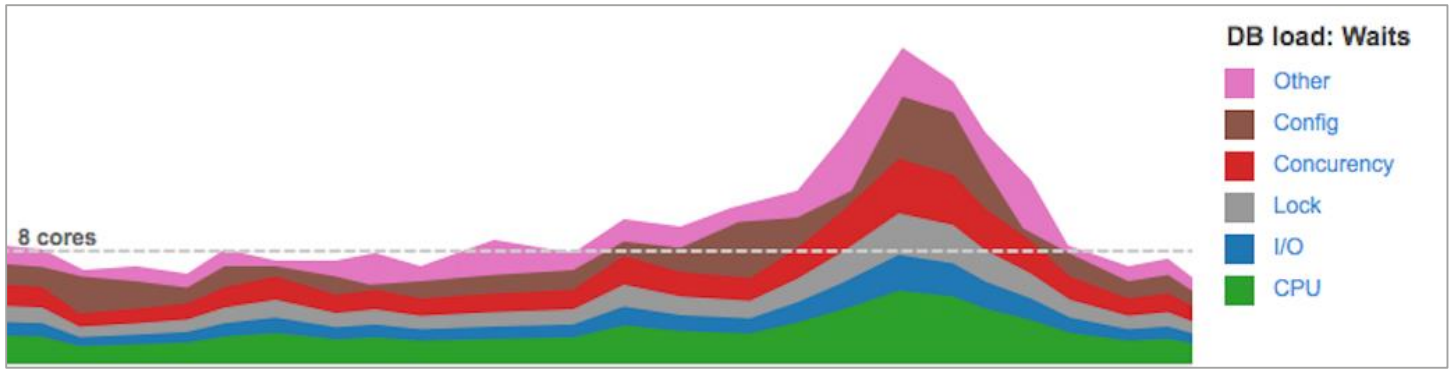
Performance Insights at a glance

Automates sampling of data

Exposes data via API

Provides UI to show Database Load

Database Load:



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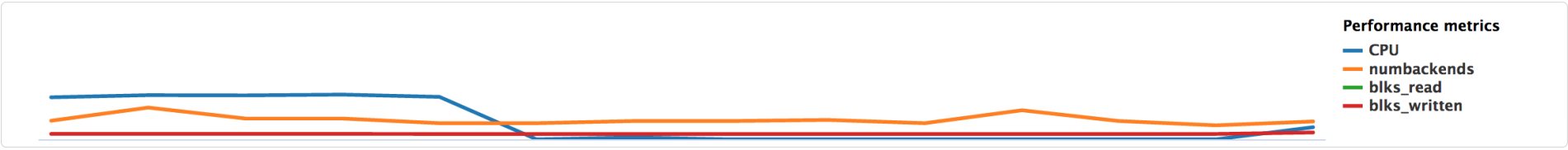

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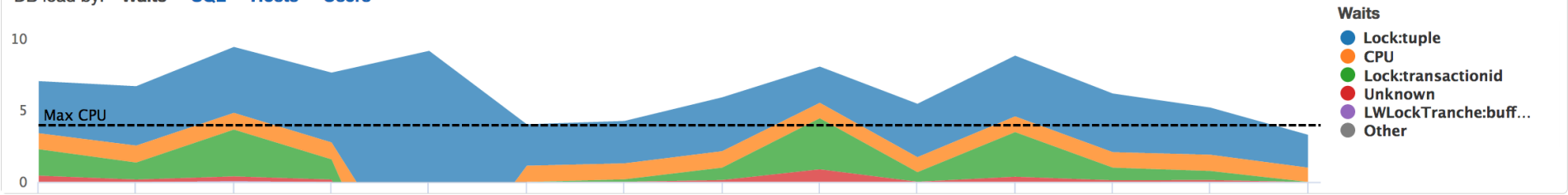

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Search SQL Queries

SQL Digest	DB Load	SQL
4e15b546005d9489980349e399cc1d24		UPDATE pgbench_tellers SET tbalance = tbalance + ? WHERE tid = ?;
9037de313c04df497488ab3670c2466b		UPDATE pgbench_branches SET bbalance = bbalance + ? WHERE bid = ?;
f64d0eecd0bac50e4d71b98c500599af		ROLLBACK TO SAVEPOINT JDBC_SAVEPOINT_1
a30112fac30fcf95bebbdc07e3e38573		select foo();
dc20ac1a0efa57e29ebf7f3df136c600		SELECT * FROM LOGIN("username_in" := $1,"password_in" := $2)
3e20d081813ac00ef7ecd3f778eaefa5		SELECT abalance FROM pgbench_accounts WHERE aid = ?;

Beyond Database Load

- Lock detection
- Execution plans
- API access
- Included with RDS
- 35 days data retention
- Support for all RDS database engines in 2017

Amazon Aurora with PostgreSQL Compatibility

Getting Your Data In

AWS Database Migration Service

PostgreSQL ORACLE Amazon Aurora MariaDB

AMAZON REDSHIFT MySQL Microsoft SQL Server SAP ASE

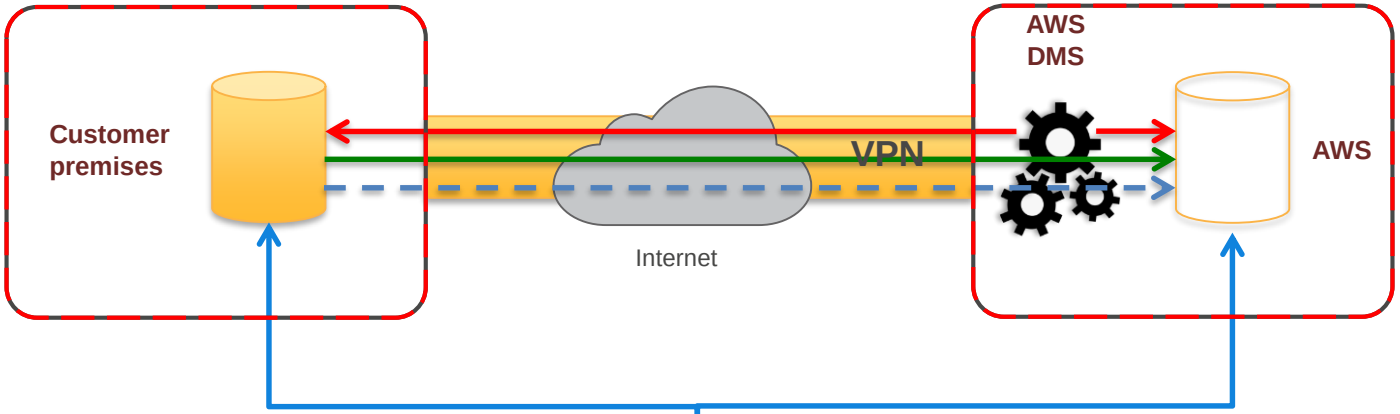
Start your first migration in 10 minutes or less

Keep your apps running during the migration

Replicate within, to, or from Amazon EC2 or Amazon RDS

Move data to the same or a different database engine

Keep your apps running during the migration



Start a replication instance

Connect to source and target databases

Select tables, schemas, or databases

Application users

- Let AWS DMS create tables, load data, and keep them in sync
- Switch applications over to the target at your convenience

AWS Database Migration Partners

APN Consulting Partners and Amazon Aurora

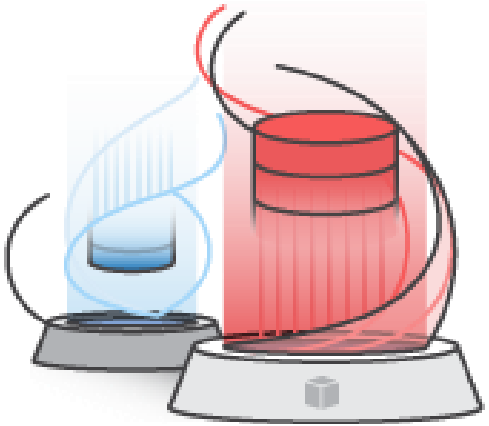
Experienced APN Partners, validated by AWS service teams and AWS customers

Amazon Aurora, Amazon RDS PostgreSQL, AWS Database Migration Service

Assessments, Proof of Concept, Migrations, Net New Implementations

AWS Schema Conversion Tool

The AWS Schema Conversion Tool helps automate many database schema and code conversion tasks when migrating between database engines or data warehouse engines



Features

Oracle and Microsoft SQL Server schema conversion to MySQL, Amazon Aurora, MariaDB, and PostgreSQL

Or convert your schema between PostgreSQL and any MySQL engine

Database Migration Assessment report for choosing the best target engine

Code browser that highlights places where manual edits are required

Secure connections to your databases with SSL

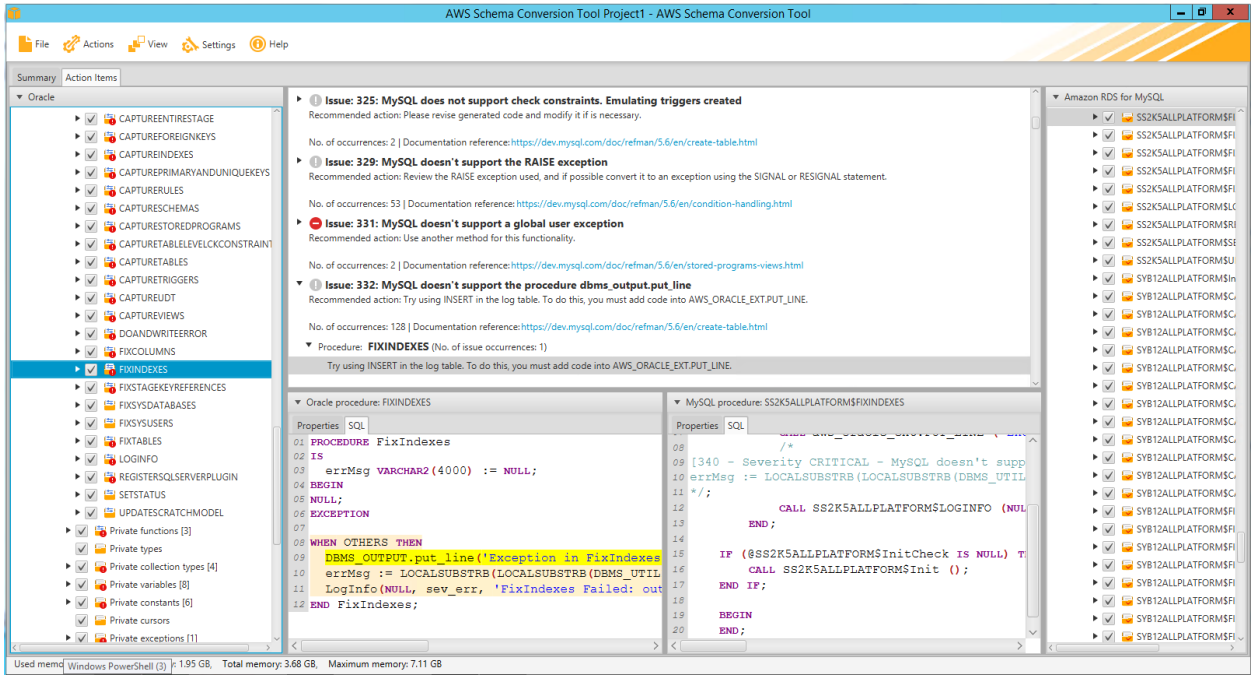
Cloud native code optimization

AWS Schema Conversion Tool

Converts relational databases

Converts warehouses

SCT helps with converting tables, views, and code



- Sequences
- User-defined types
- Synonyms
- Packages
- Stored procedures
- Functions
- Triggers
- Schemas
- Tables
- Indexes
- Views
- Sort and distribution keys

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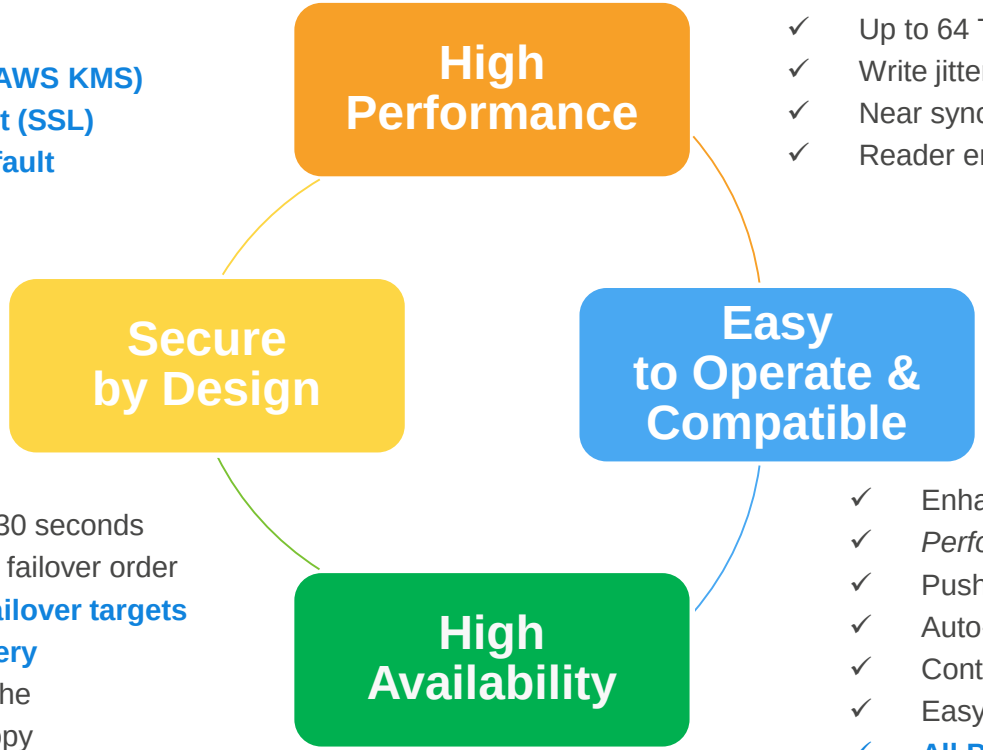
Roadmap

Amazon Aurora with PostgreSQL Compatibility – Launch Roadmap



- ✓ **2x or faster than PostgreSQL**
- ✓ Up to 64 TB of storage per instance
- ✓ Write jitter reduction
- ✓ Near synchronous replicas
- ✓ Reader endpoint

- ✓ **Encryption at rest (AWS KMS)**
- ✓ **Encryption in transit (SSL)**
- ✓ **Amazon VPC by default**
- ✓ Row Level Security

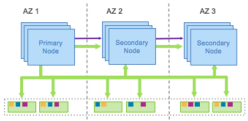
- ✓ Enhanced OS monitoring
- ✓ *Performance Insights*
- ✓ Push button migration
- ✓ Auto-scaling storage
- ✓ Continuous backup and PITR
- ✓ Easy provisioning / patching
- ✓ **All PostgreSQL features**
- ✓ **All RDS for PostgreSQL extensions**
- ✓ **AWS DMS supported inbound**

- ✓ Failover in less than 30 seconds
- ✓ Customer specifiable failover order
- ✓ **Up to 15 readable failover targets**
- ✓ **Instant crash recovery**
- ✓ Survivable buffer cache
- ✓ X-region snapshot copy

The Amazon Aurora Database Family

Encryption at rest and in transit

AWS IAM, KMS & VPC



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Amazon S3

Secure

Durable

High Performance & Scale

Amazon Aurora

Available

Compatible

Convenient

Automatic Failover

Read Replicas

AWS DMS

Amazon RDS

Enterprise Performance

64TB Storage

MySQL

PostgreSQL

Questions

Timeline

We are taking signups for the open preview now

We plan to release in general availability in 2017

How do I sign up for the preview?

https://pages.awscloud.com/amazon-aurora-with-postgresql-compatibility-preview-form.html

FAQs

https://aws.amazon.com/rds/aurora/faqs/#postgresql

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Thank You!