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Scalable Concurrency Control for Massively Collaborative Virtual Environments

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 Process of managing simultaneous execution of user transactions on shared virtual objects

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 Can lead to frustrated user experience or even user completely losing interest in the application [Roberts'04][Bouckerche'05]

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Concurrency Control Mechanisms





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- VSculpt: A distributed virtual environment for collaborative design [Li'03]
- Architectures for shared haptic virtual environments [Buttolo'97]



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- ATLAS A scalable network framework for distributed virtual environments [Lee'07],
- Scalable prediction based concurrency control for distributed virtual environments [Yang'00]

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 Performance evaluation of compromised synchronization control mechanism for distributed virtual environment [Wongwirat'06]

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- Novel approach to concurrency control for massively collaborative virtual environments
 - Not affected by network delays
 - No problems from previous approaches like deadlocks or starvation
- High performance access
 - Almost constant runtime with very low synchronisation overhead
 - Multiple wait-free read and write operations





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Basic Idea



- Assignment of unique key-value pair to each data packet which is exchanged between users and virtual objects
- Key-value pool holds complete shared world state
- De-coupling and parallelization of read, write and data deletion processes



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Wait-Free Read







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Merging Example with Two Producers





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V = (10,12,10)P1(V) = (10,15,10)P2(V) = (12,17,10)

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Merge(V) = (11, 16, 10)

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- Performance comparison with four competitors
 - 1. Hash map with standard locking mechanisms from the boost library
 - Read and write operations are locking
 - 2. Wait-free hash map based on previous work [Lange'14]
 - Wait-free read and single wait-free write operations
 - 3. Optimistic hash map based on [Wongwirat'07]
 - No locking for read operations, rollback of transaction if transaction fail occurs
 - 4. Filtered hash map based on [Li'03]
 - Restriction on lock cast





Read (25%) & Write (75%) Operations



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Read (50%) & Write (50%) Operations





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- 1. Scalable CCM for massively collaborative virtual environments
 - No deadlock, no starvation of user actions
 - Supports arbitrary non-blocking user interactions
- 2. Our novel CCM outperforms traditional approaches
 - Faster than a factor of 8-35
 - Less than 74% memory usage than our previous approach
- 3. Our novel CCM allows easy customization for many CVE applications
 - Data merge function can be defined for arbitrary purpose
 - Merge can also represent traditional approaches



Future Work



- Distributed implementation and testing
 - 1. Key-value pool as central host



Users

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 - 1. Key-value pool as central host
 - 2. Distributing key-value pools



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Thank you for your attention

Questions?

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