



# Computer Science E-75

## Building Dynamic Websites

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### Lecture 9: Scalability

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<http://en.oreilly.com/mysql2008/public/content/home>

# Recommended Reading

- Building Scalable Websites  
by Henderson
- High Performance MySQL  
by Zawodny and Balling
- MySQL Clustering  
by Davis and Fisk
- Scalable Internet Architectures  
by Schlossnagle
- . . .

# Vertical v. Horizontal Scaling



Image from *Seinfeld*.

# Vertical Scaling

- CPU
  - cores, L2 Cache, ...
- Disk
  - PATA, SATA, SAS, ...
  - RAID
- RAM
- . . .

# Horizontal Scaling



Image from [wikimedia.org](https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Server_rack.jpg).



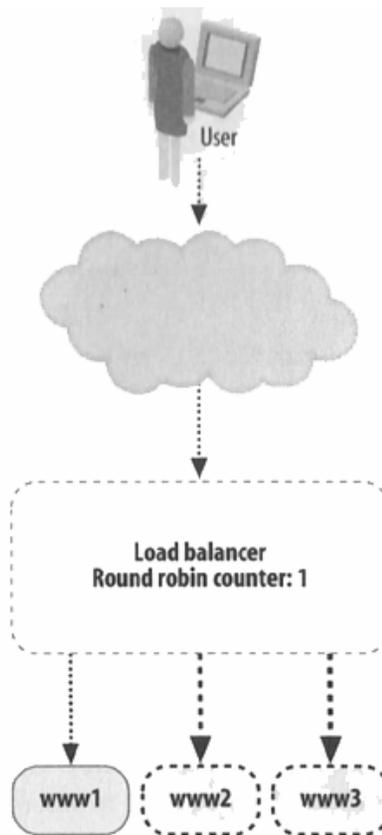
# PHP Acceleration

- Code Optimization
- Opcode Caching
- . . .

# PHP Accelerators

- Alternative PHP Cache (APC)  
<http://pecl.php.net/package/APC>
- eAccelerator  
<http://eaccelerator.net/>
- XCache  
<http://xcache.lighttpd.net/>
- Zend Platform  
<http://www.zend.com/en/products/platform/>
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# Load Balancing at Layer 4



# Load Balancing with BIND

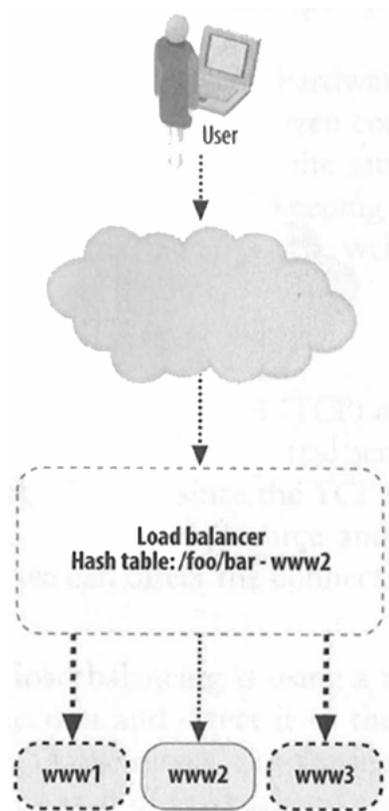
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# Load Balancing at Layer 7



# Sticky Sessions

- Layer-7 Load Balancing?
- Shared Storage?  
FC, iSCSI, NFS, *etc.*
- Cookies?

# Load Balancers

- Software

- LVS
- Perlbal
- Pound
- Ultra Monkey
- ...

- Hardware

- Barracuda
- Cisco
- Citrix
- F5
- ...

# Caching

- .html
- MySQL Query Cache
- memcached
- . . .

# .html

The screenshot shows a Mozilla Firefox browser window with the address bar displaying `http://boston.craigslist.org/gbs/web/640115588.html`. The page content includes a breadcrumb trail: `boston craigslist > boston/camb/brook > web design jobs`. A yellow warning banner reads: **Avoid scams and fraud by dealing locally!** Beware any deal involving Western Union, Moneygram, wire transfer, cashier check, money order, shipping, escrow, or any promise of transaction protection/certification/guarantee. [More info](#). Below this is the job title **PHP / MySQL Short Term Project (Cambridge)**. The posting details are: Reply to: [job-640115588@craigslist.org](mailto:job-640115588@craigslist.org), Date: 2008-04-12, 5:55PM EDT. The description states: "We are students at Harvard Business School looking for someone to work with us in adding a subscription base to our website. Project would include adding a log in screen, payment setup, and helping to create the subscription pages which would need to draw information from a database (likely MySQL). In talking with classmates, project appears to be around 50-100 hours, and would need to be completed in the next 2 months. Compensation is competitive, and we will supply graphics, data, and information. Candidate should be strongly qualified in PHP, and MySQL." A bulleted list of job details follows: Location: Cambridge; Compensation: Competitive with industry standards. Negotiable; This is a part-time job; This is a contract job; Principals only. Recruiters, please don't contact this job poster; Please, no phone calls about this job!; Please do not contact job poster about other services, products or commercial interests. The PostingID is 640115588. At the bottom, there is a copyright notice for 2008 craigslist, inc. with links to [terms of use](#), [privacy policy](#), and [feedback forum](#). A right-hand sidebar contains a "please flag with care:" section with links for [miscategorized](#), [prohibited](#), [spam/overpost](#), and [best of craigslist](#).

# MySQL Query Cache

```
query_cache_type = 1
```

<http://dev.mysql.com/doc/refman/5.0/en/query-cache.html>

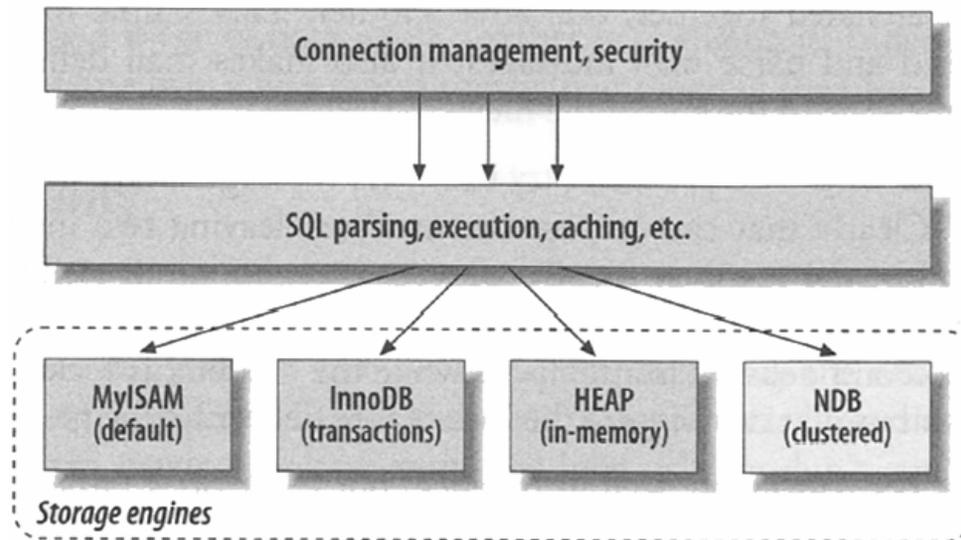
# memcached

```
$memcache = memcache_connect(HOST, PORT);  
$user = memcache_get($memcache, $id);  
if (is_null($user))  
{  
    mysql_connect(HOST, USER, PASS);  
    mysql_select_db(DB);  
    $result = mysql_query("SELECT * FROM users WHERE id=$id");  
    $user = mysql_fetch_object($result, User);  
    memcache_set($memcache, $user->id, $user);  
}
```

<http://www.danga.com/memcached/>

<http://us2.php.net/memcache>

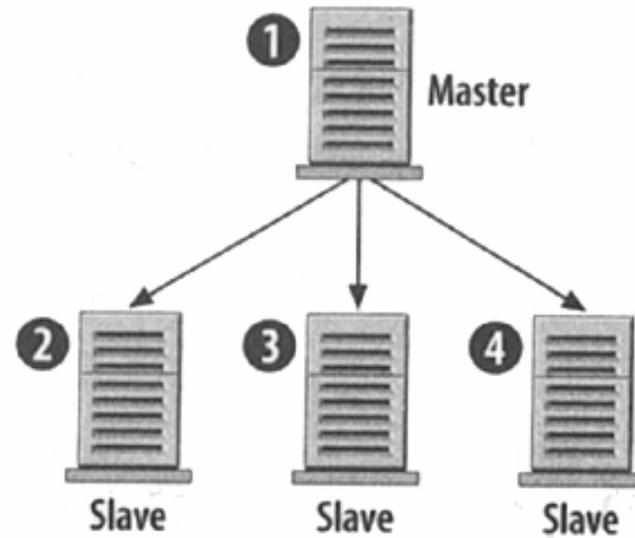
# MySQL



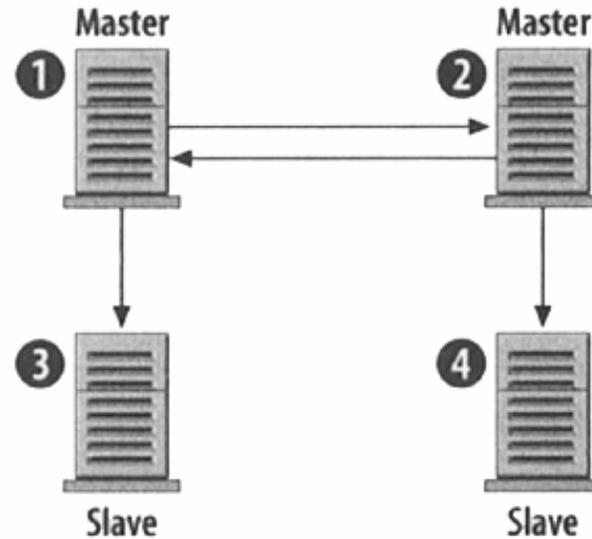
# MySQL

	MyISAM	InnoDB	MEMORY	NDB
Multi-statement transactions, ROLLBACK	-	X	-	X
Foreign key constraints	-	X	-	-
Locking level	table	row	table	row
BTREE indexes	X	X	-	X
FULLTEXT indexes	X	-	-	-
HASH lookups	-	X	X	X
Other in-memory tree-based index	-	-	4.1.0	-
GIS, RTREE indexes	4.1.0	-	-	-
Unicode	4.1.0	4.1.2	-	-
Merge (union views)	X	-	-	-
Compress read-only storage	X	-	-	-
Relative disk use	low	high	-	low
Relative memory use	low	high	low	high

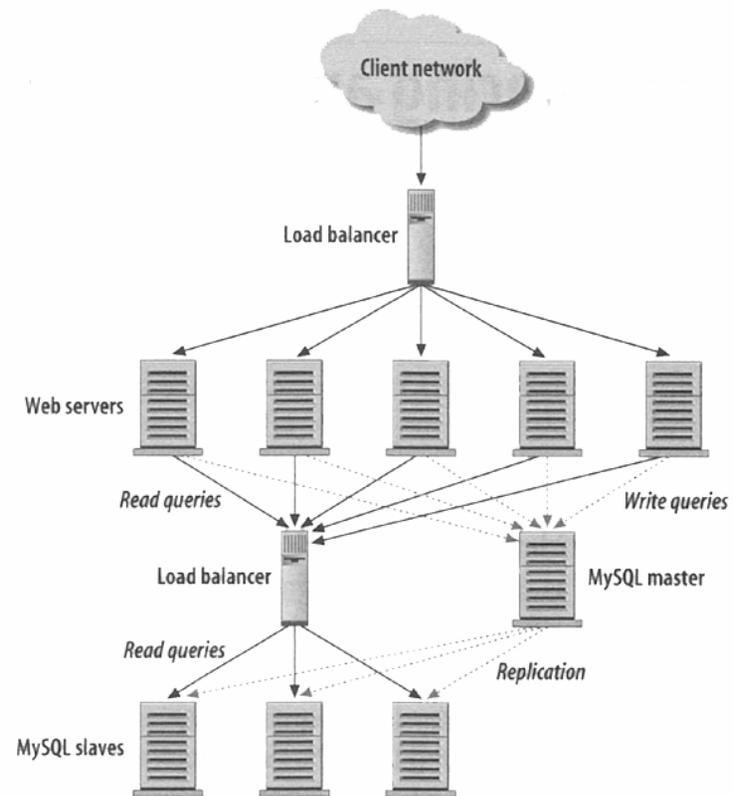
# Replication: Master-Slave



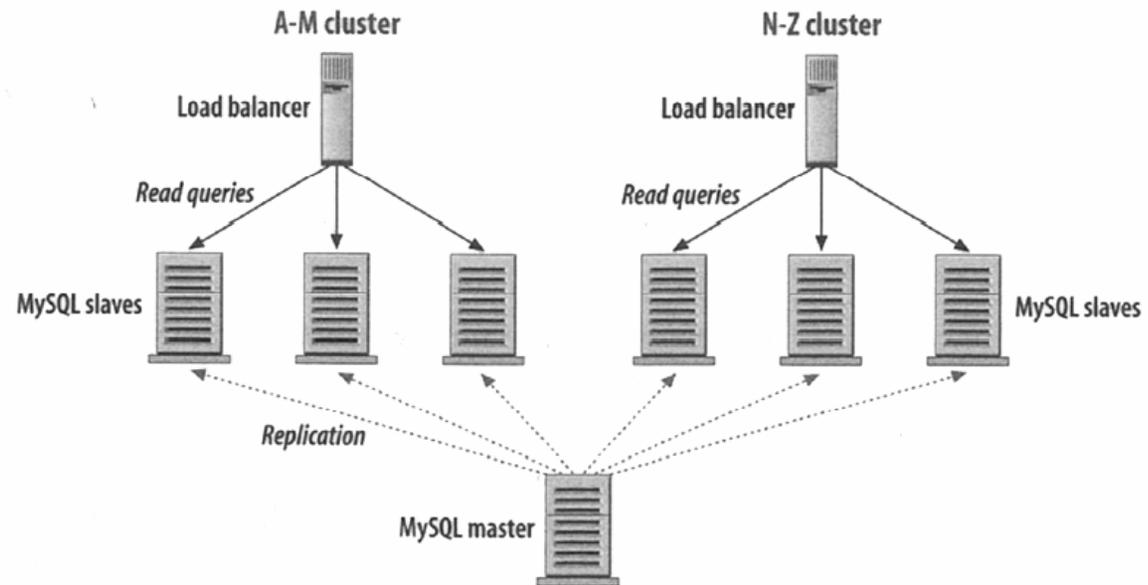
# Replication: Master-Master



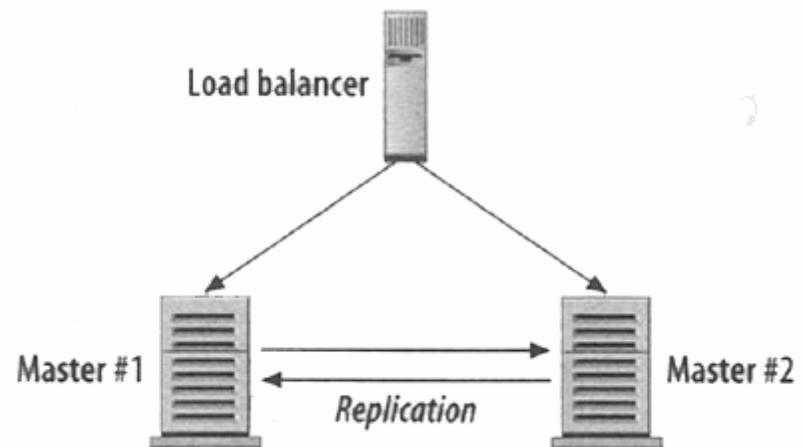
# Load Balancing + Replication



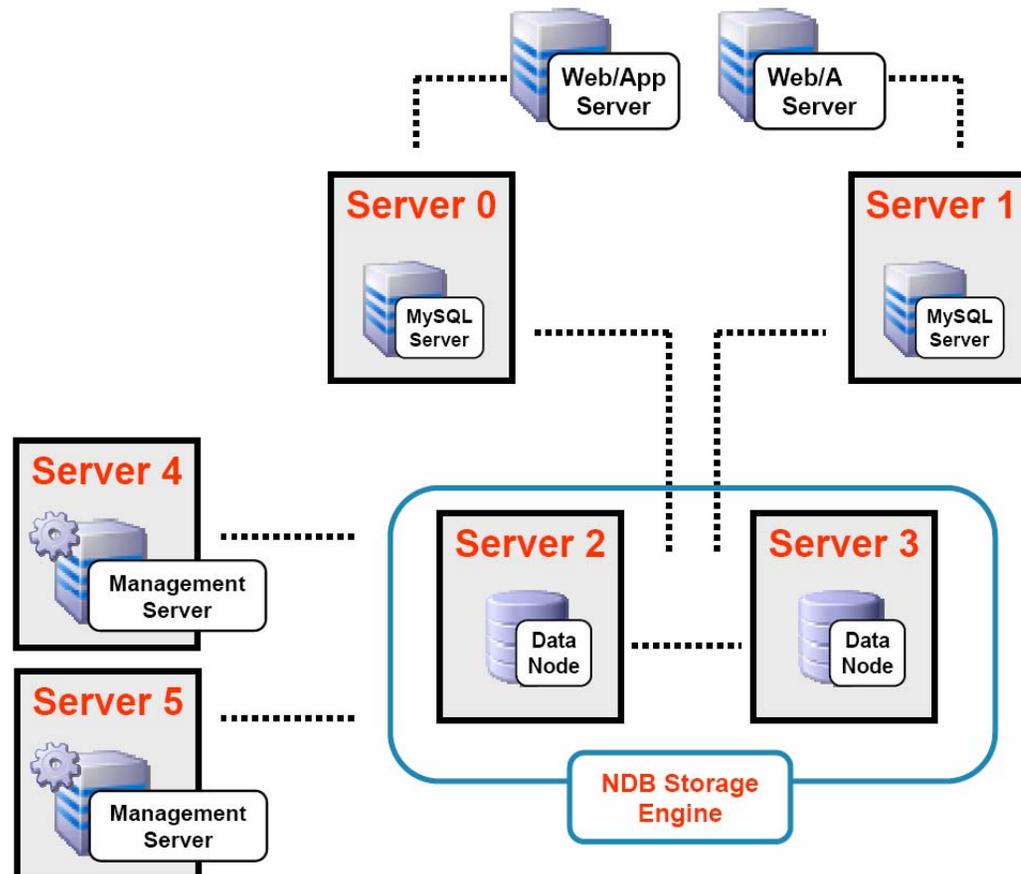
# ... + Partitioning



# High Availability



# MySQL Cluster





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