On the Cost of Database Clusters Reconfiguration

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Online Database Recovery

Reconfiguration of a database cluster required to face load spikes or to restore the resilience of the system

Update new replicas to the most current database state online

Minimize time required to finish recovery

Minimize impact on resource usage and performance of the cluster as a whole



Motivation

- Prominent practical problem
 - Often addressed before (eg., [Kemme et al., 2001], [Jiménez-Peris et al., 2002], [Armendáriz-Íñigo et al., 2007]
 - Applied to consistent database replication
 - Existing refined techniques to improve performance
- Existing work
 - Assumes simplified models without taking into account system limitations such as I/O and CPU
 - Does not provide a detailed evaluation under representative workload scenarios



Goals

- Combine the proposed techniques in a single protocol
- Systematically benchmark different reconfiguration scenarios
- Assess each technique's performance impact and overhead on the clustered database service
- Determine fundamental limits to cluster reconfiguration
- Discuss the relative merits of each approach



Recovery Protocol

- Based on the algorithm presented in [Kemmeet al., 2001]
- Parallel Recovery [Jiménez-Peris et al., 2002]
- Convergence Phases [Armendáriz-Íñigo et al., 2007]
- Includes several obvious optimizations, eg:
 - purging of redundant data changes
 - data compression
 - parallel and batch applier for received recovery data at the recovering replica.
- Configurable: number of donors for Parallel Recovery and number of Convergence Phases



Recovery Protocol

Full Transfer

Missed Updates or Delta Transfer

Parallel Recovery

Convergence Phases





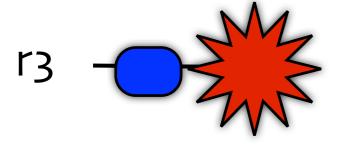
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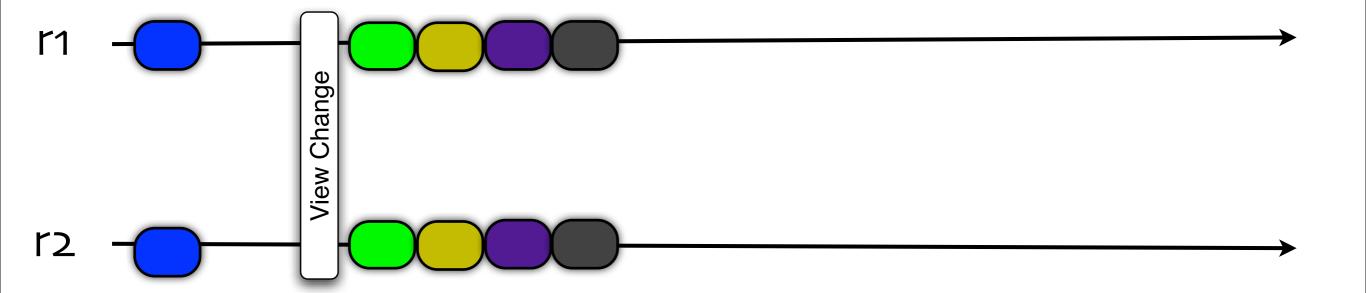


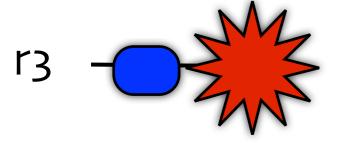






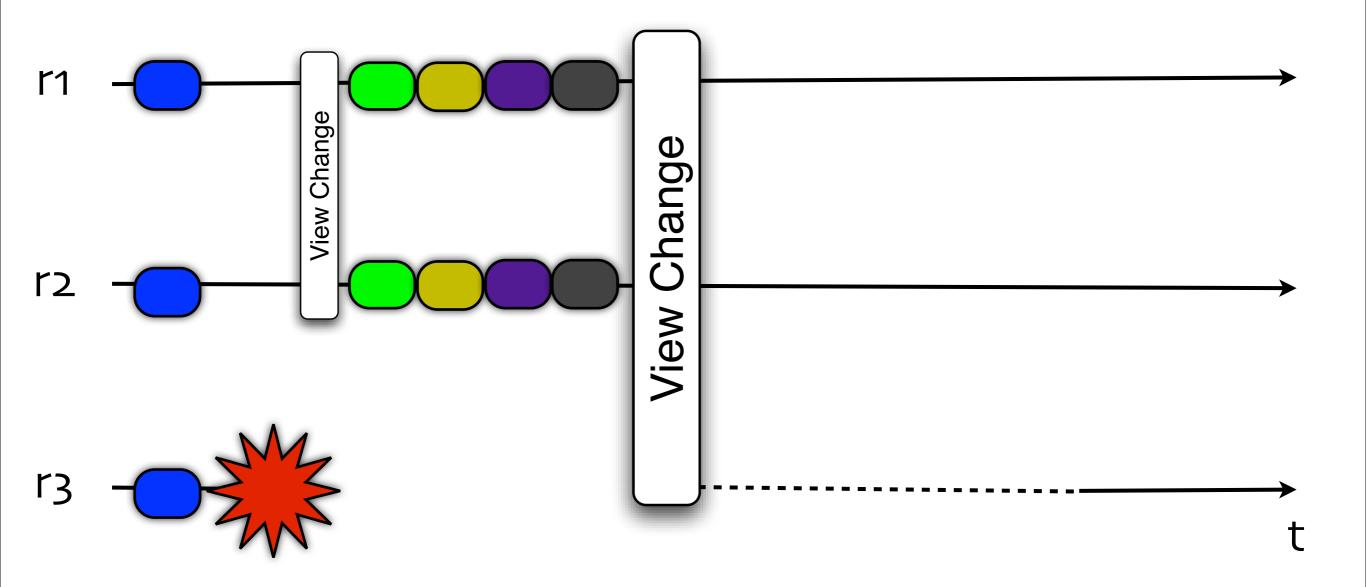




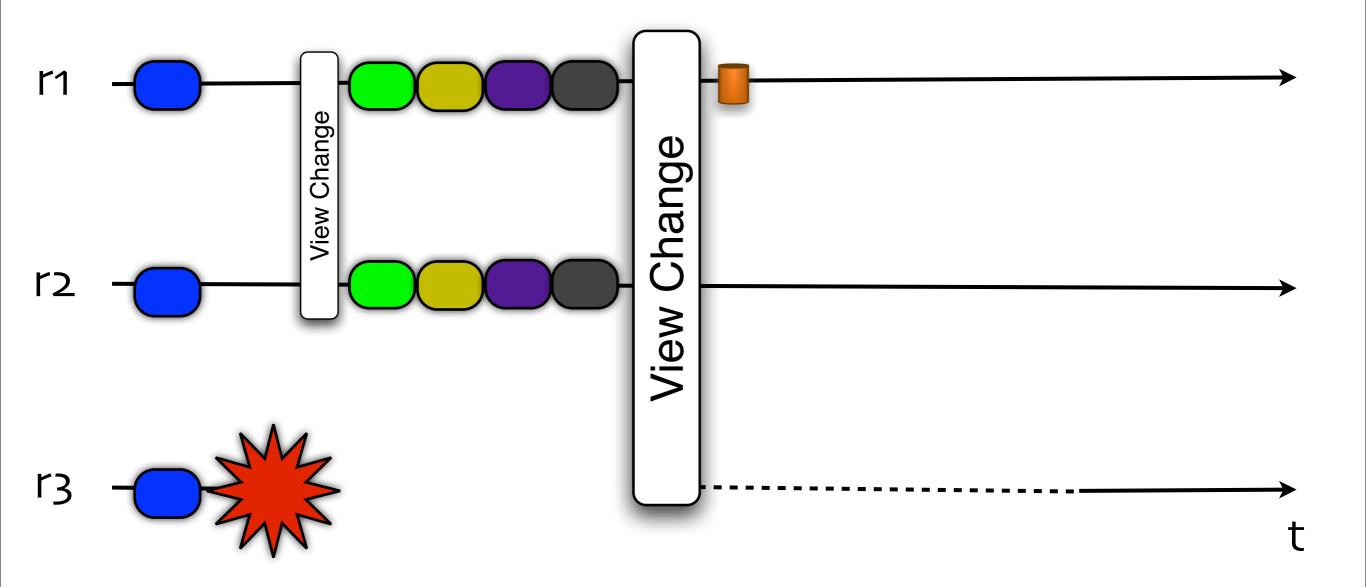


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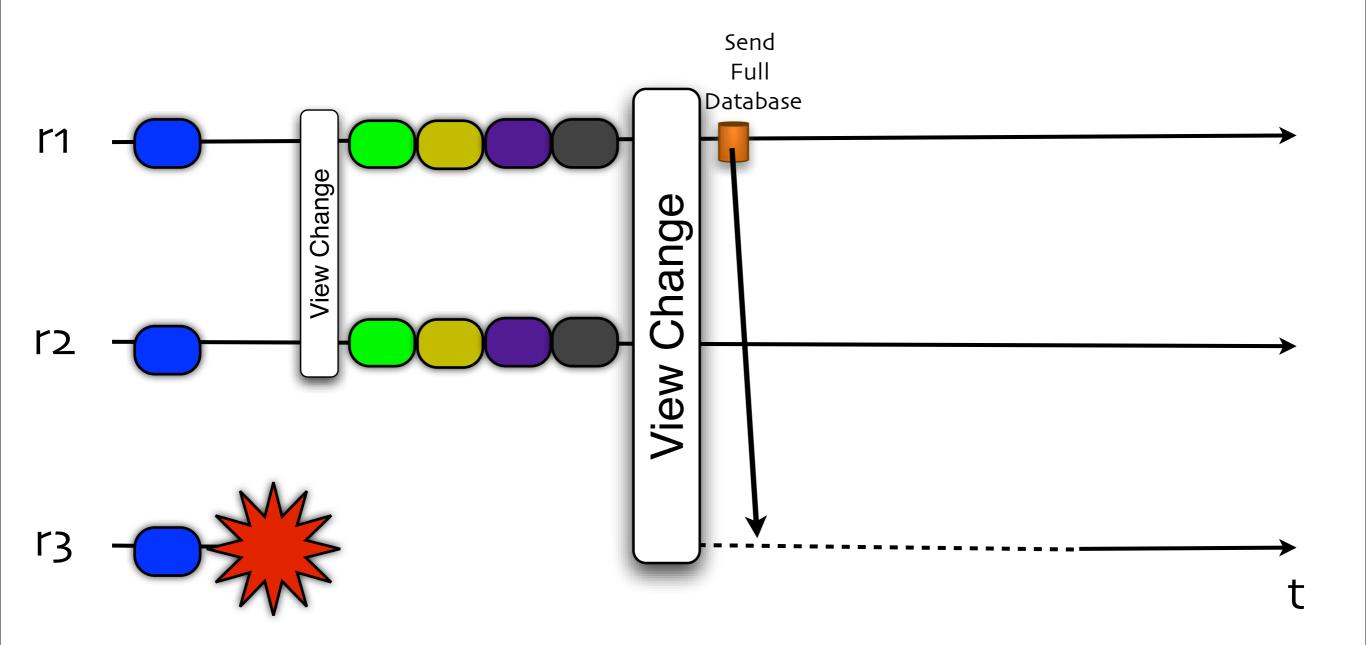




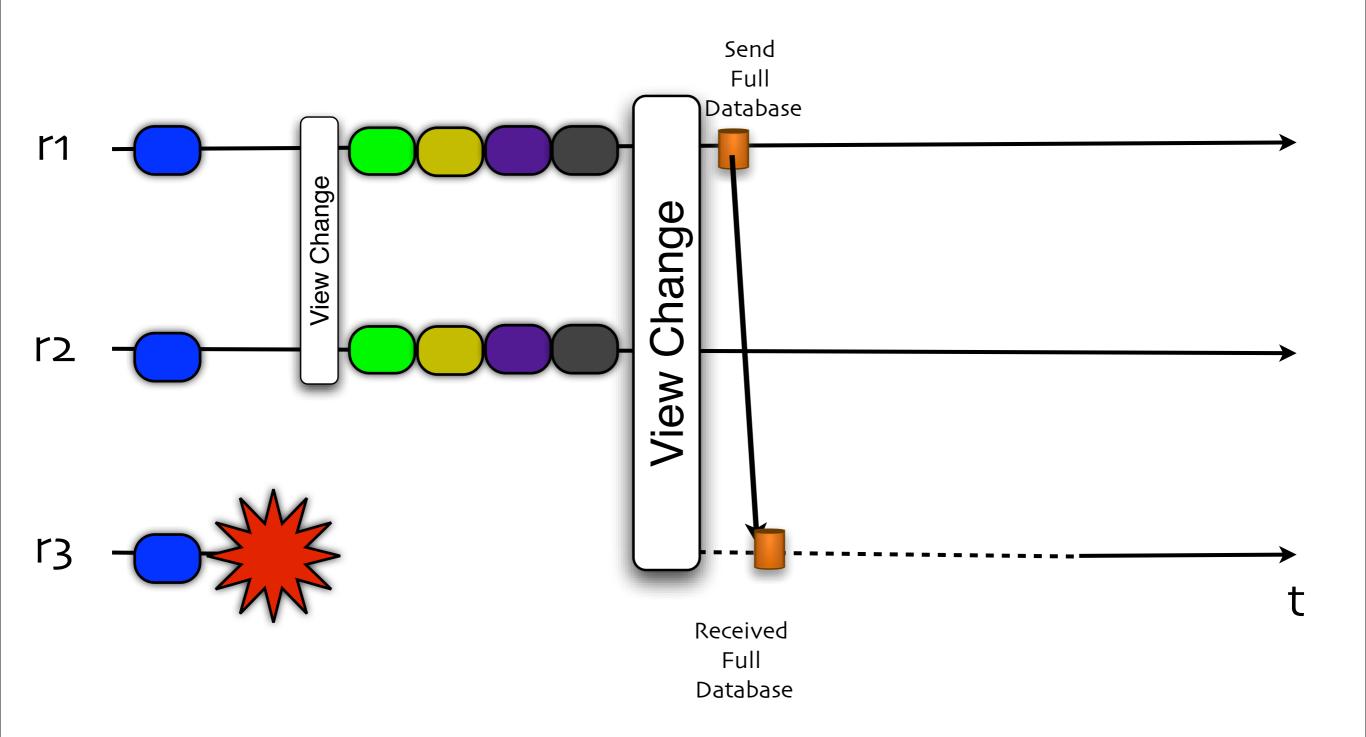




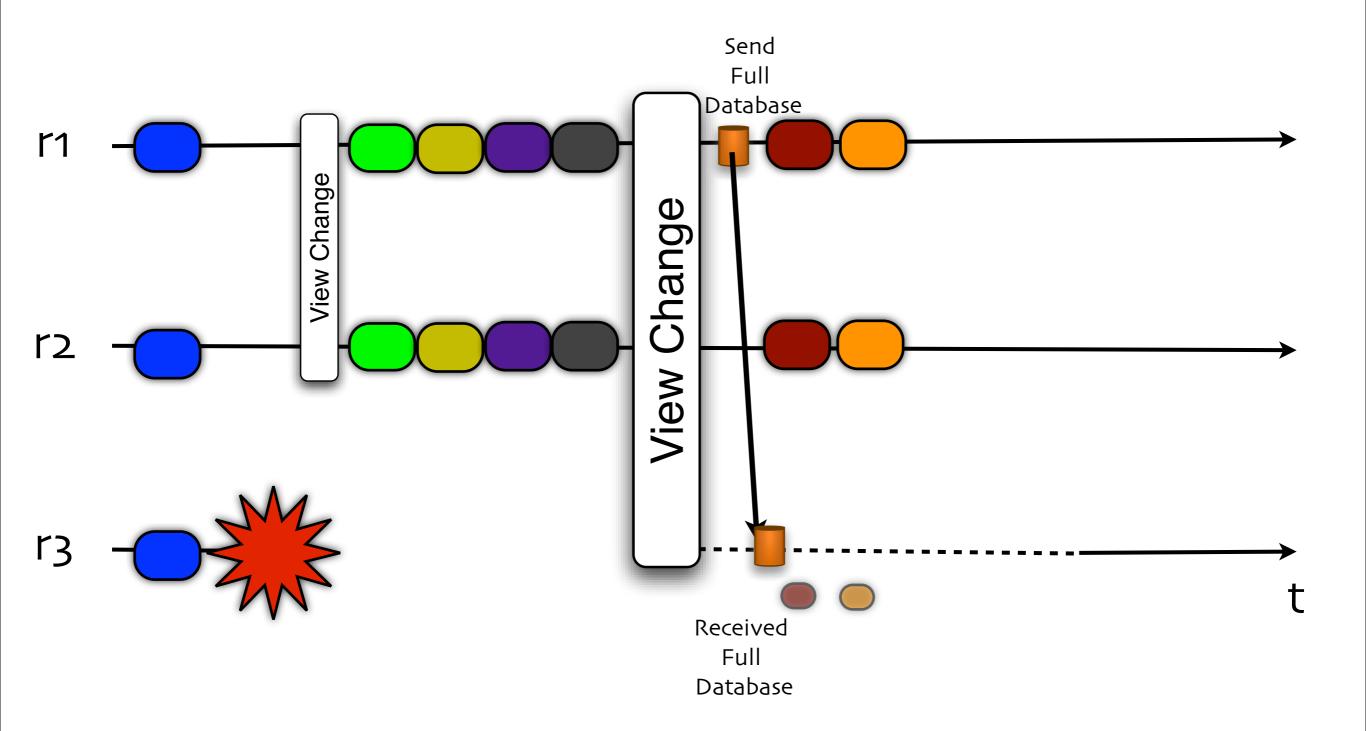




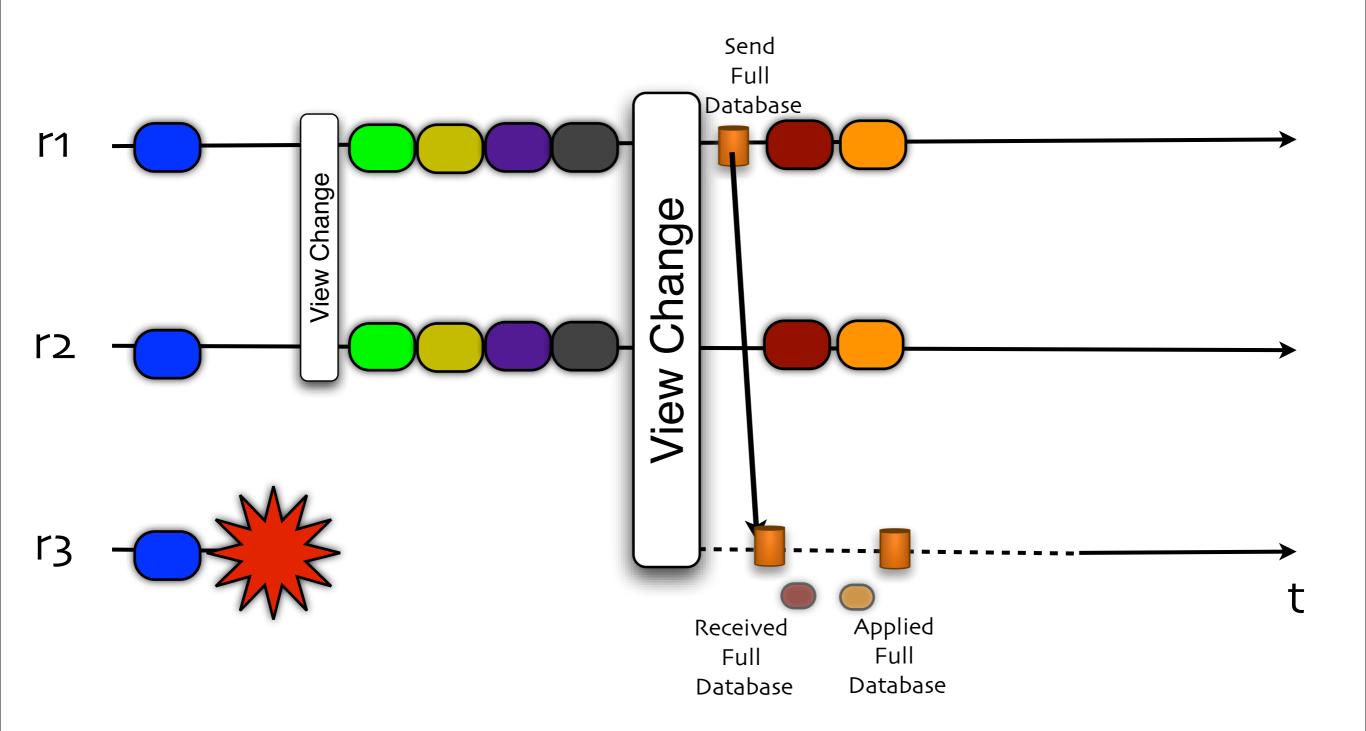




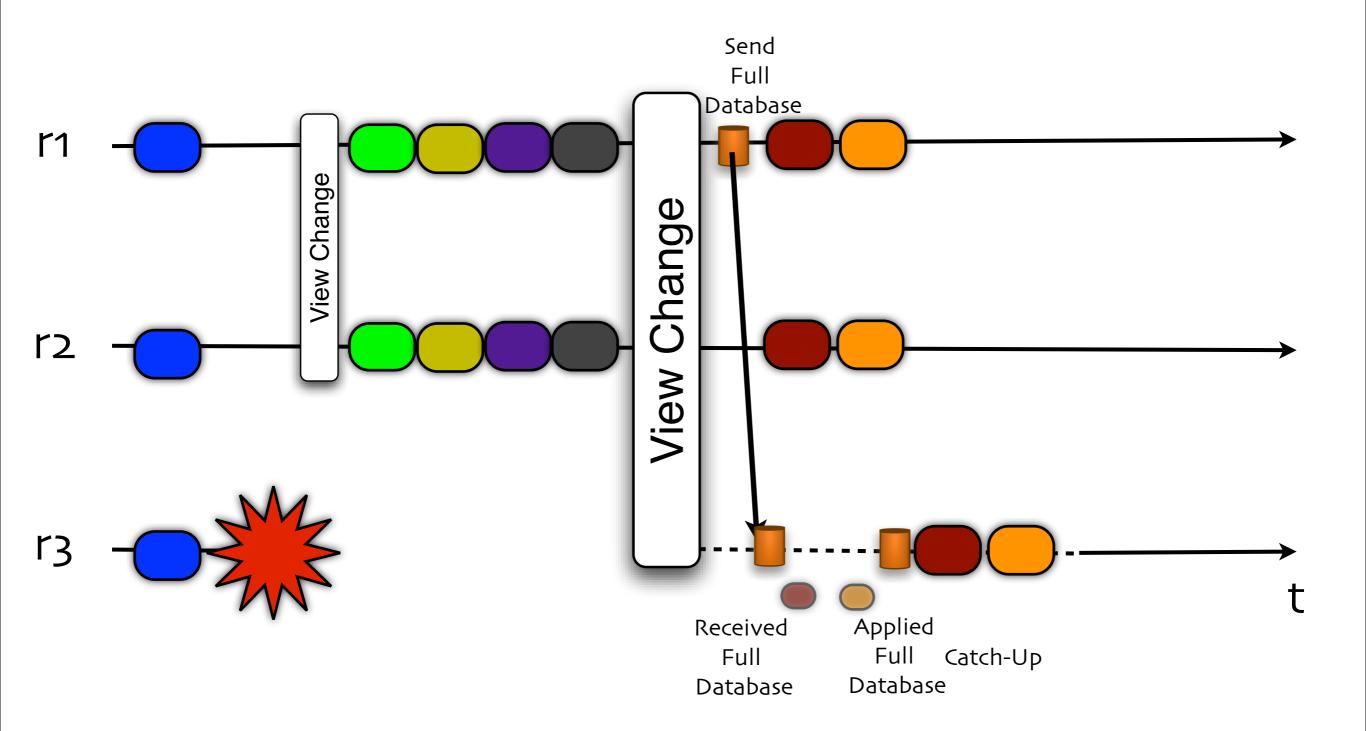




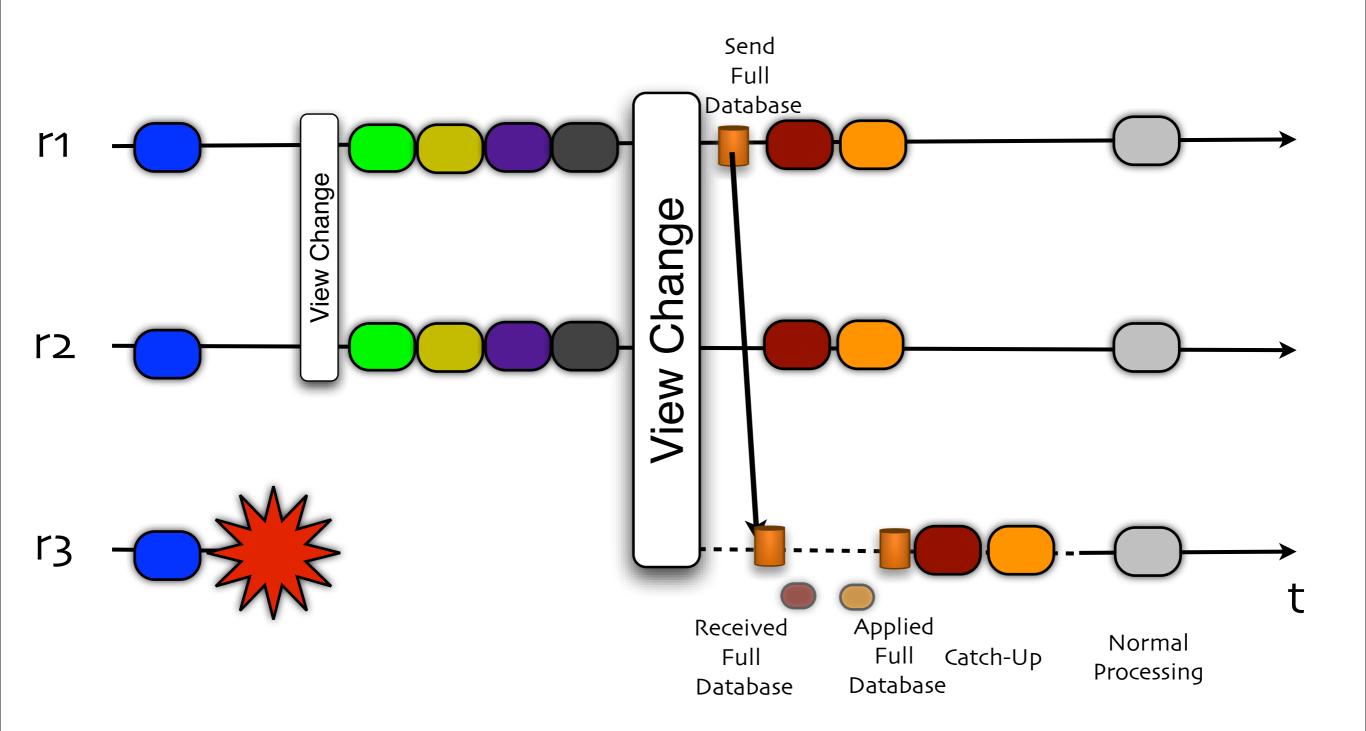






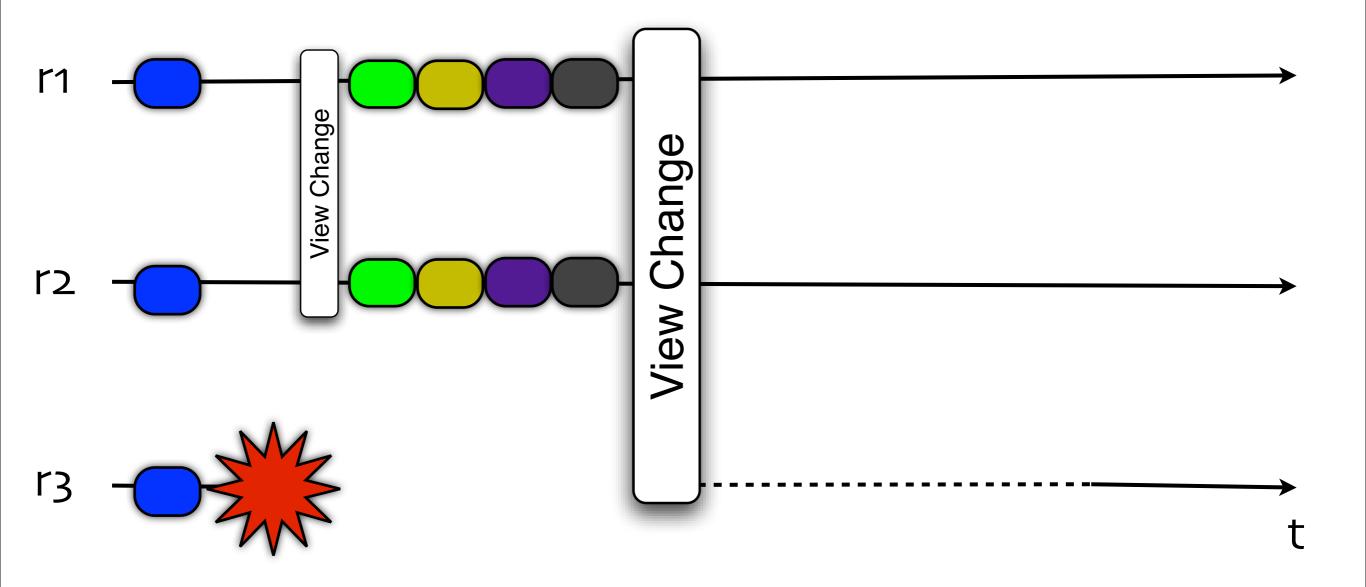




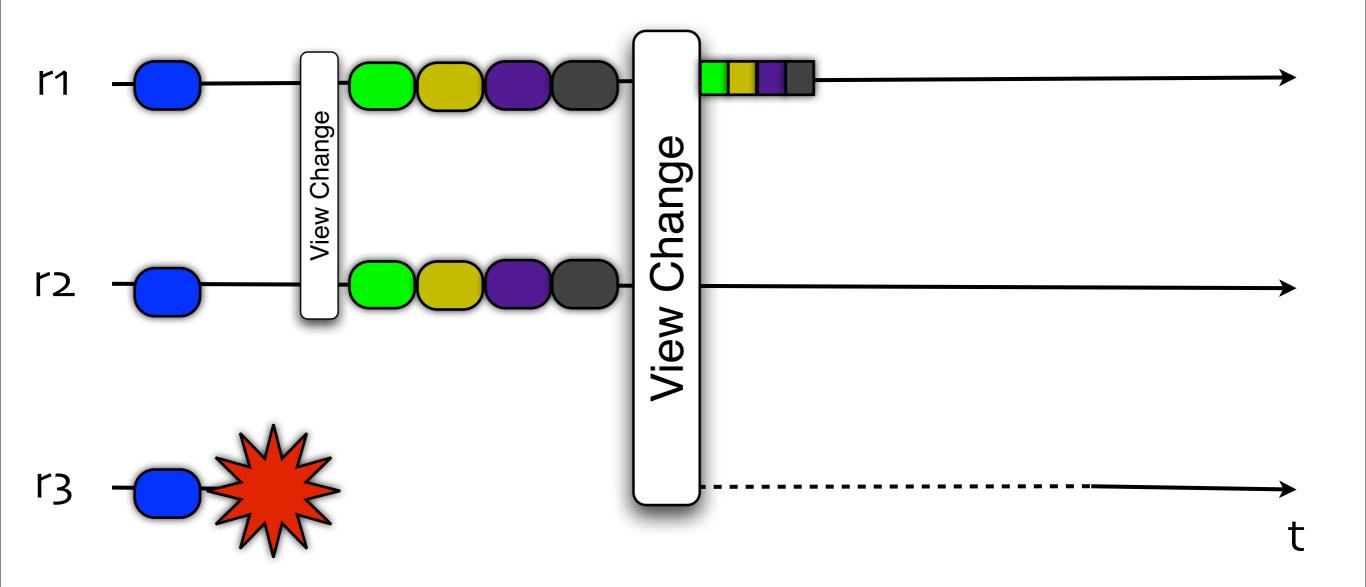




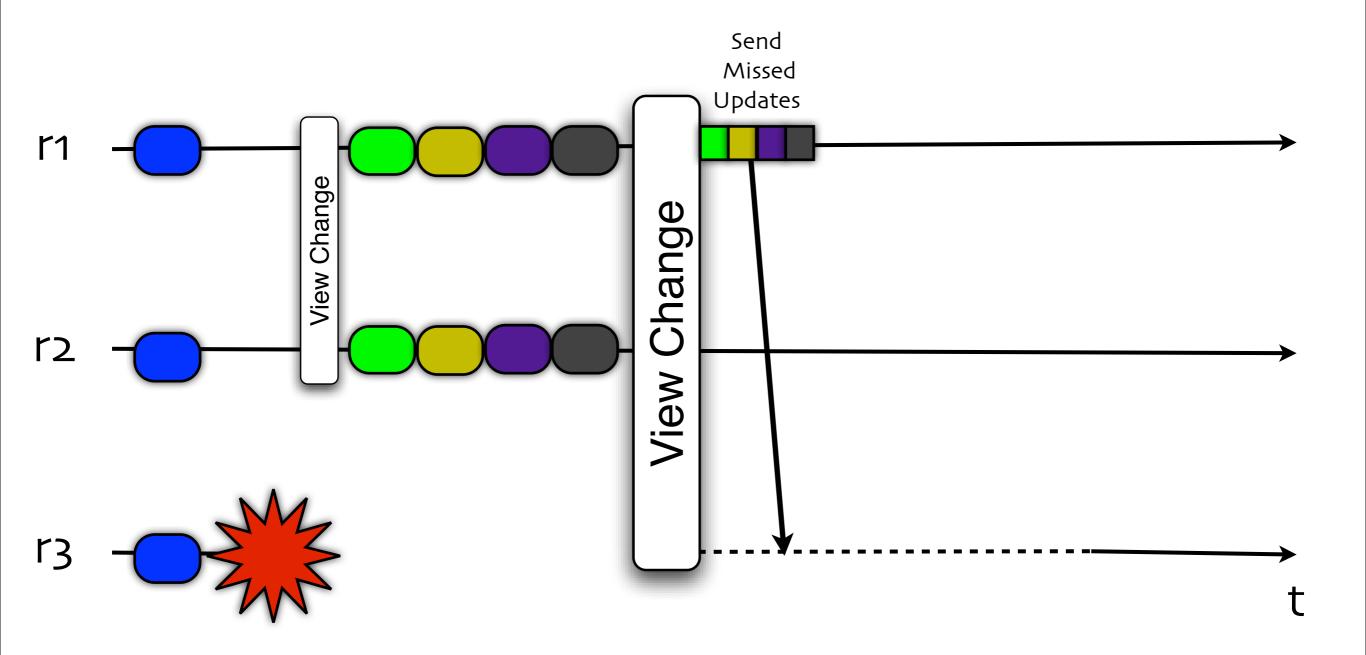




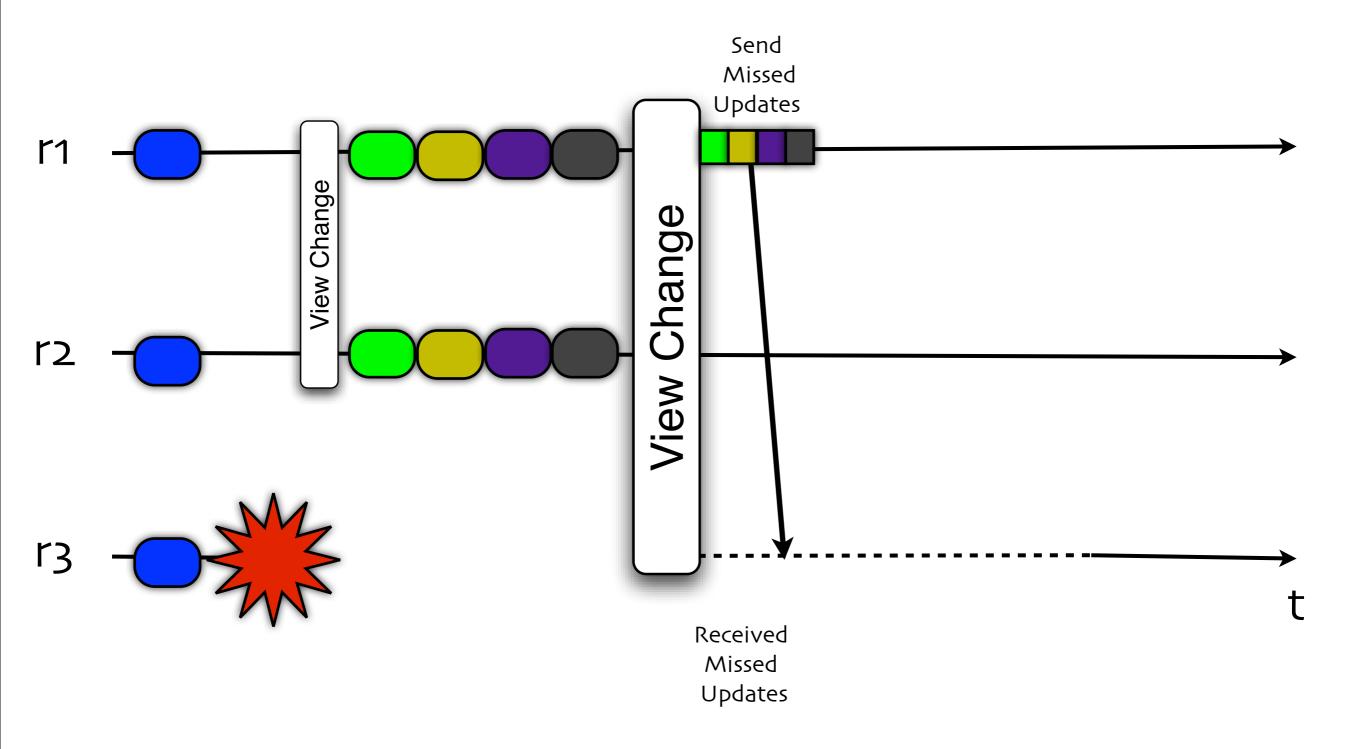




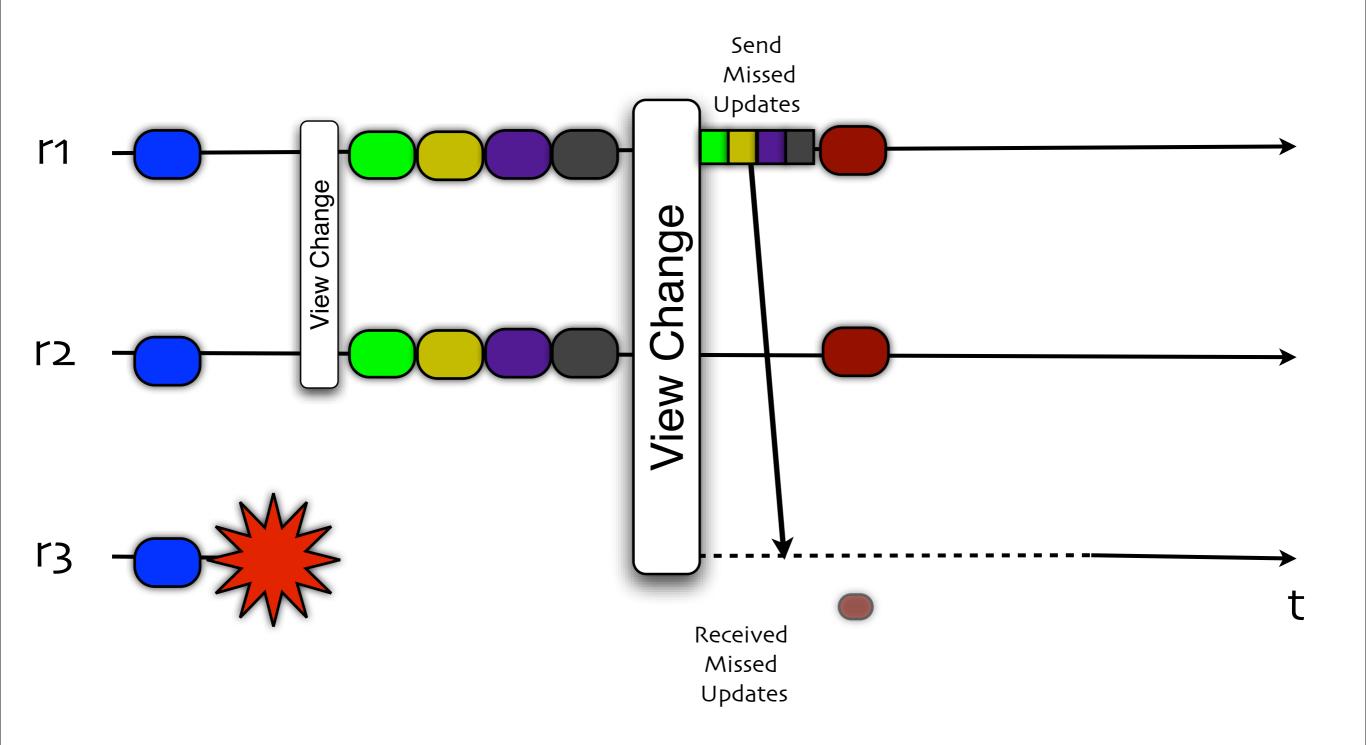




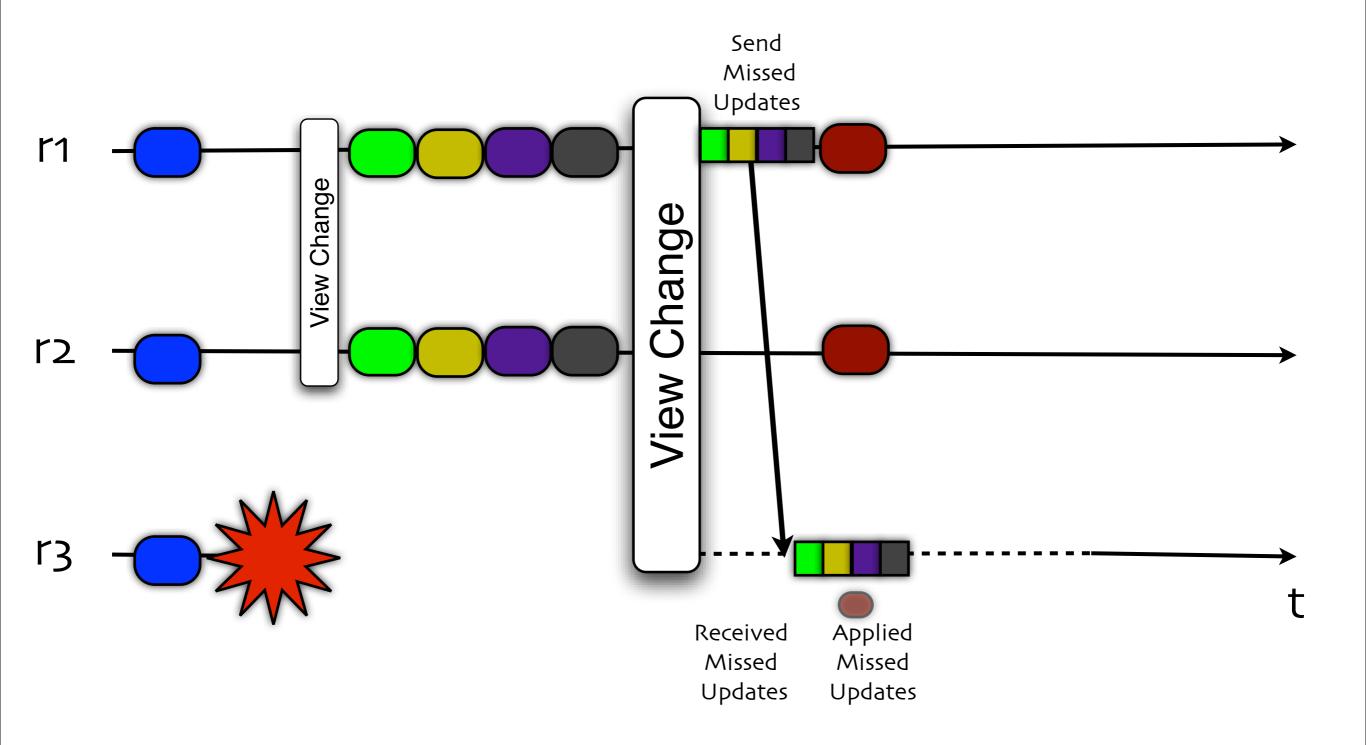




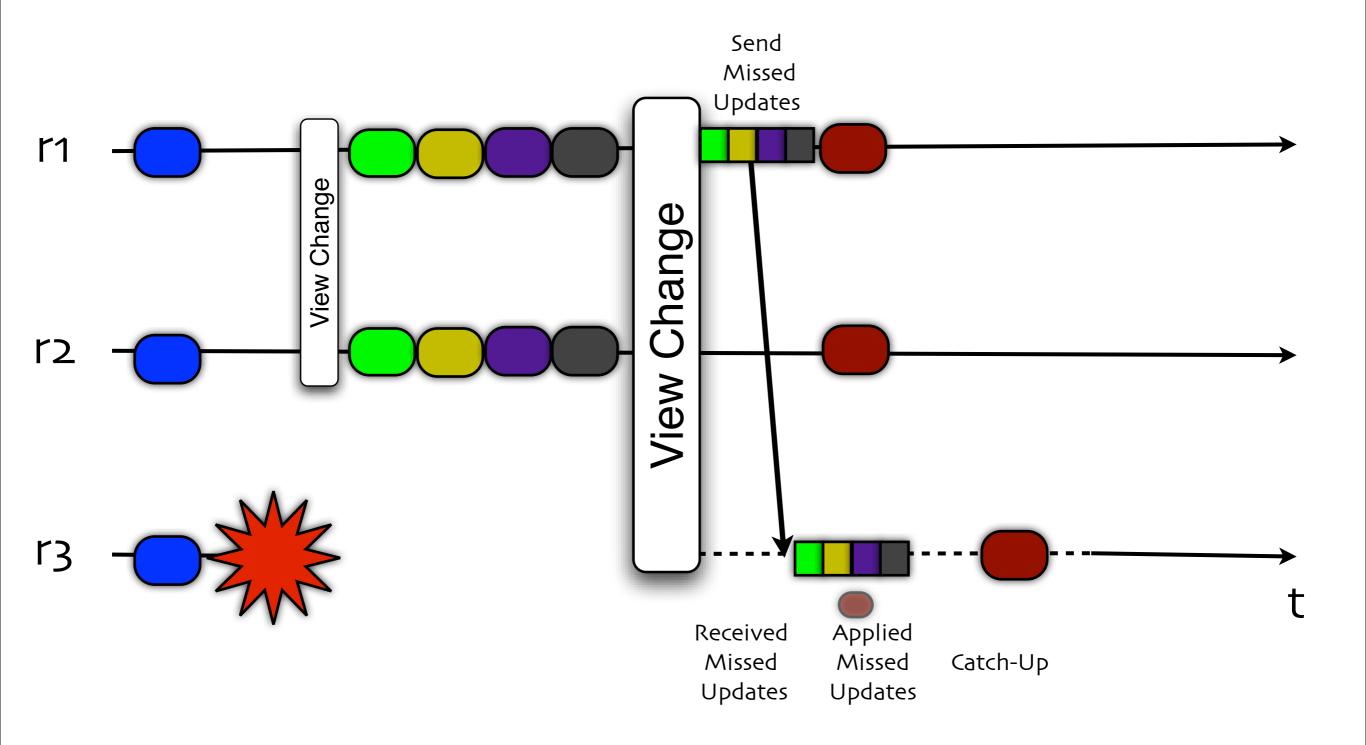




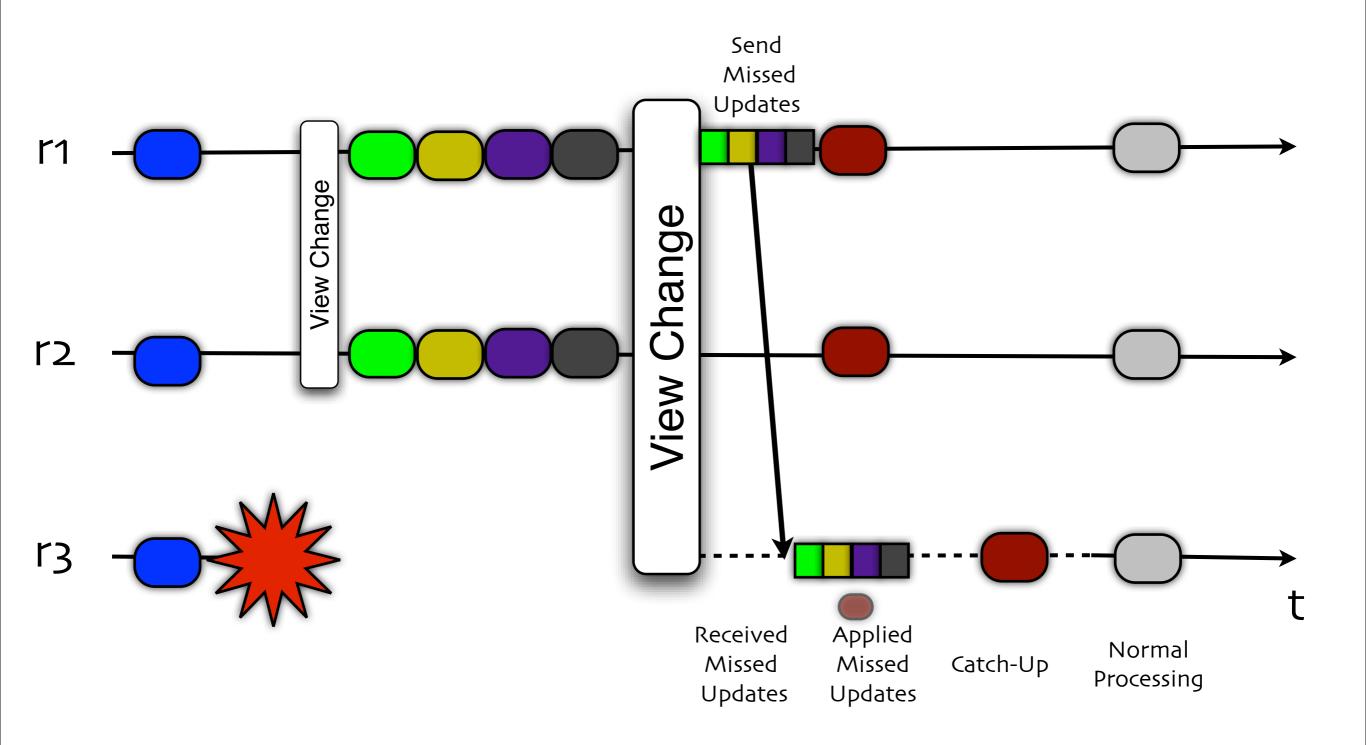




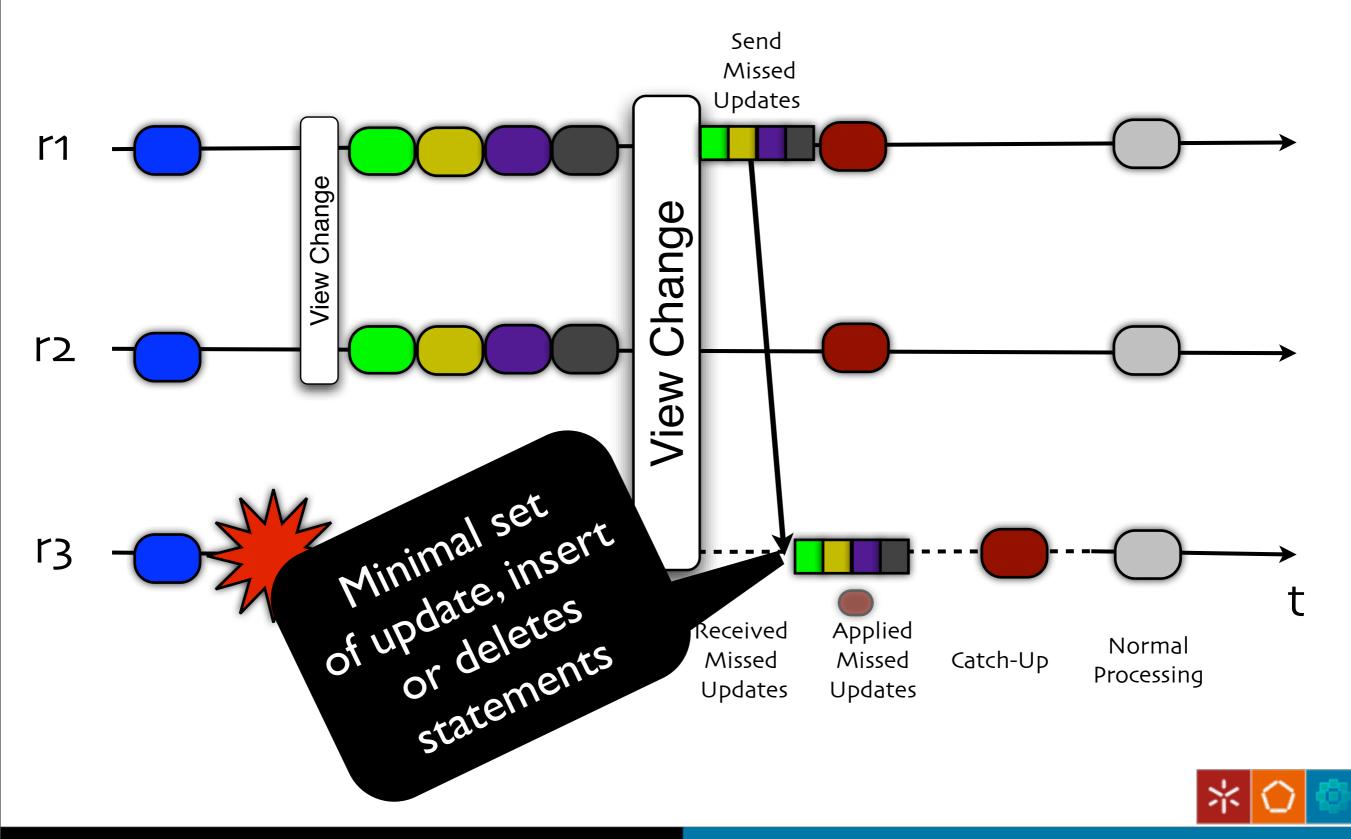


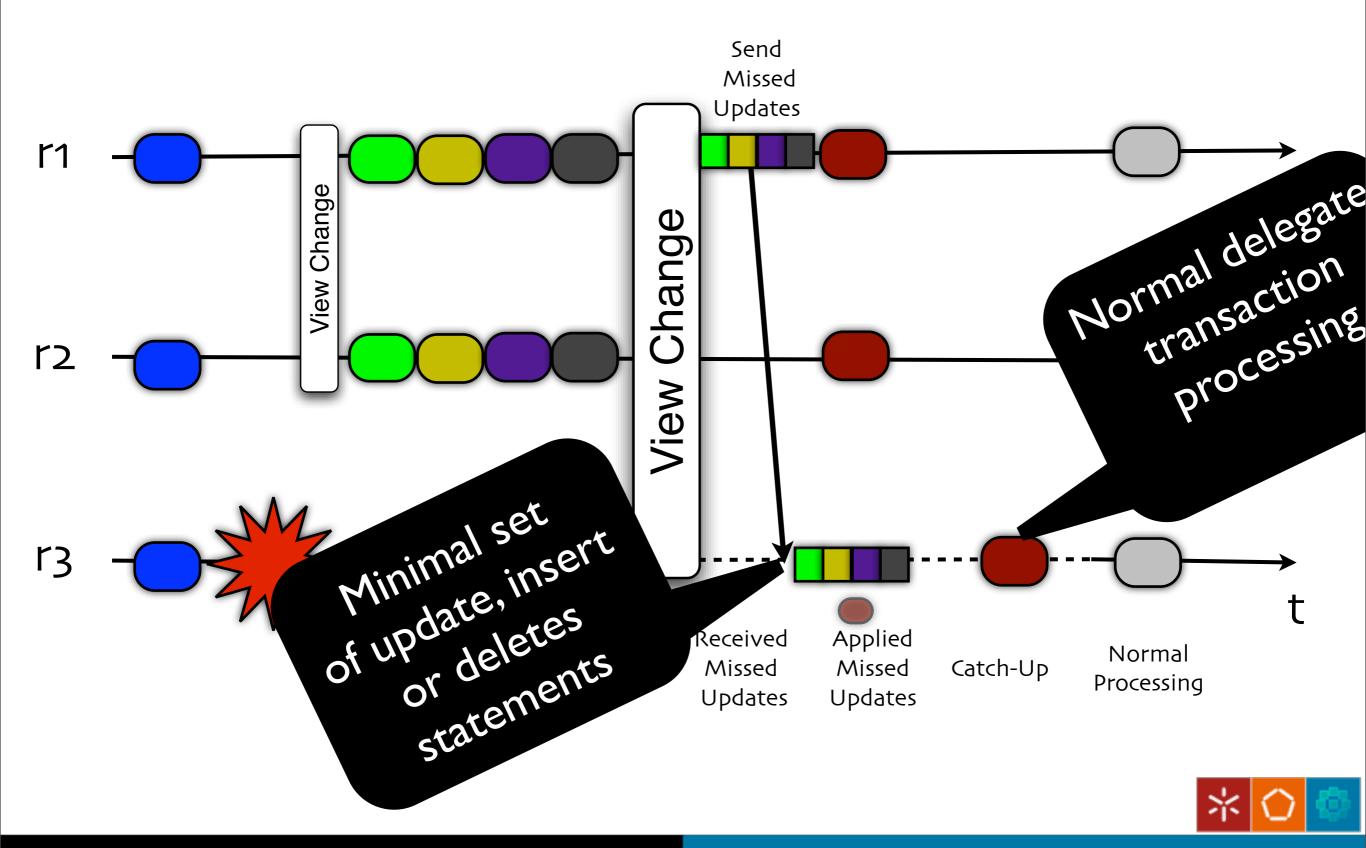




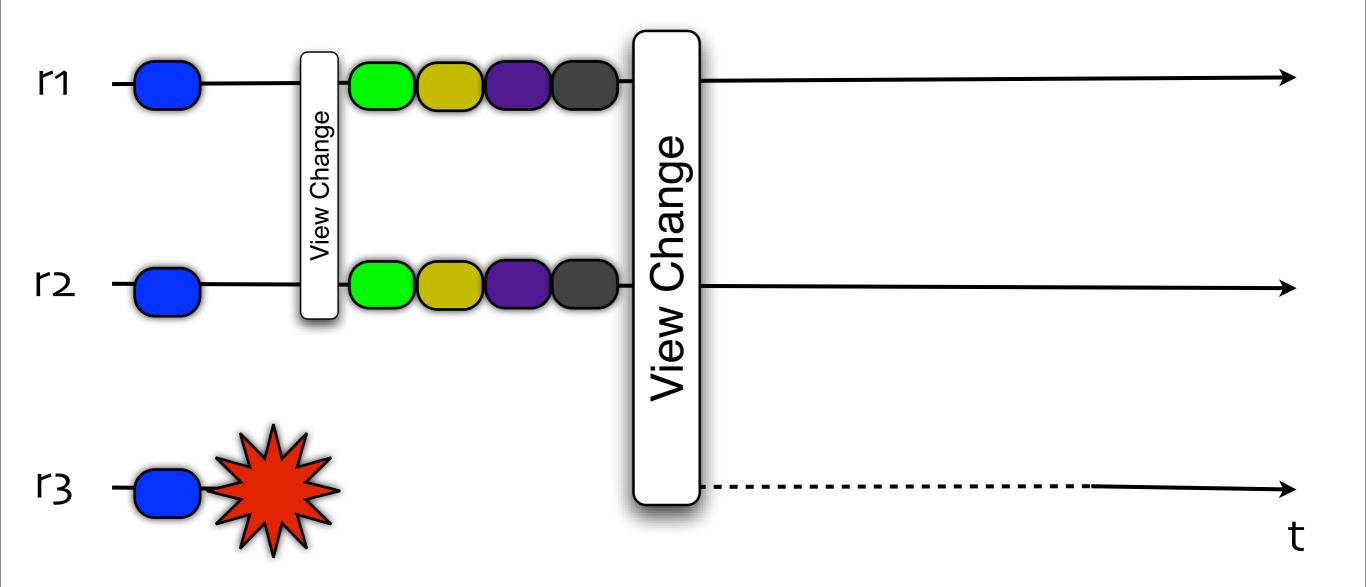




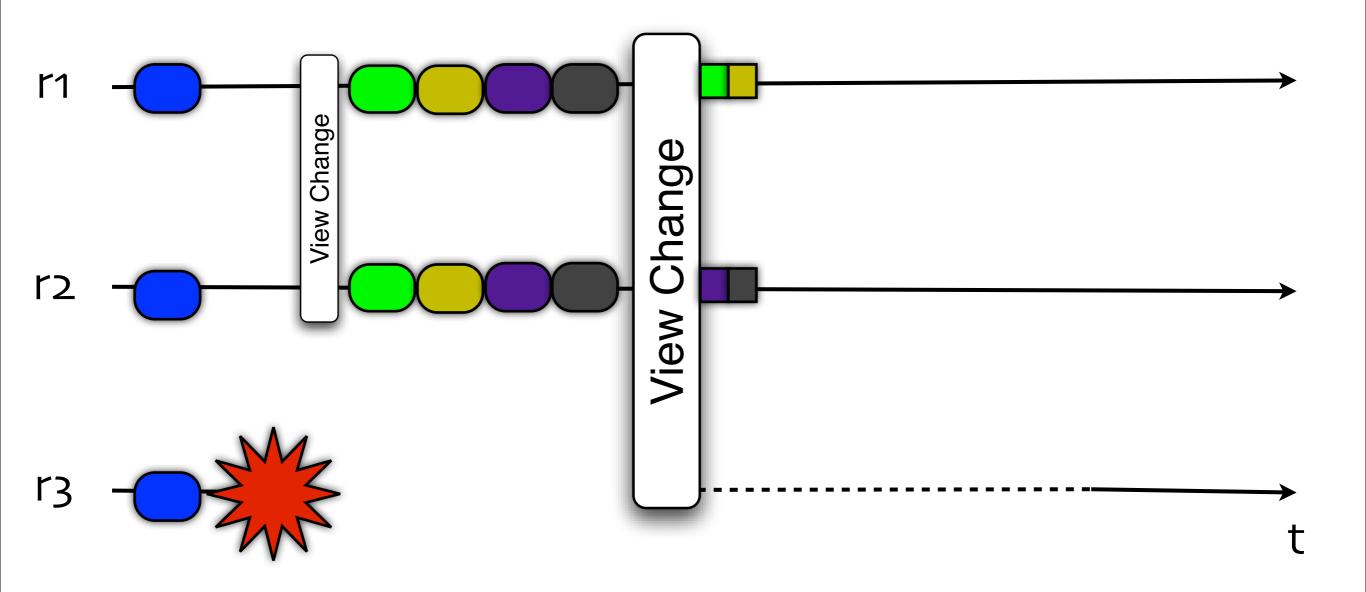




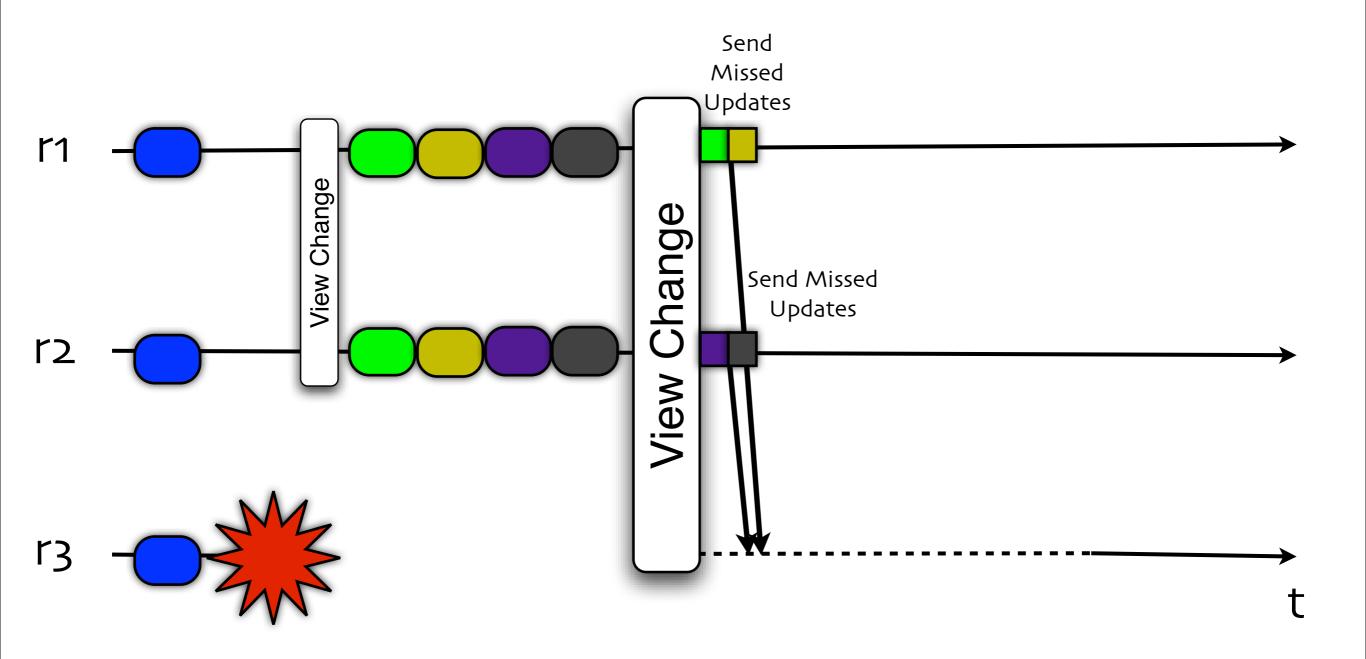




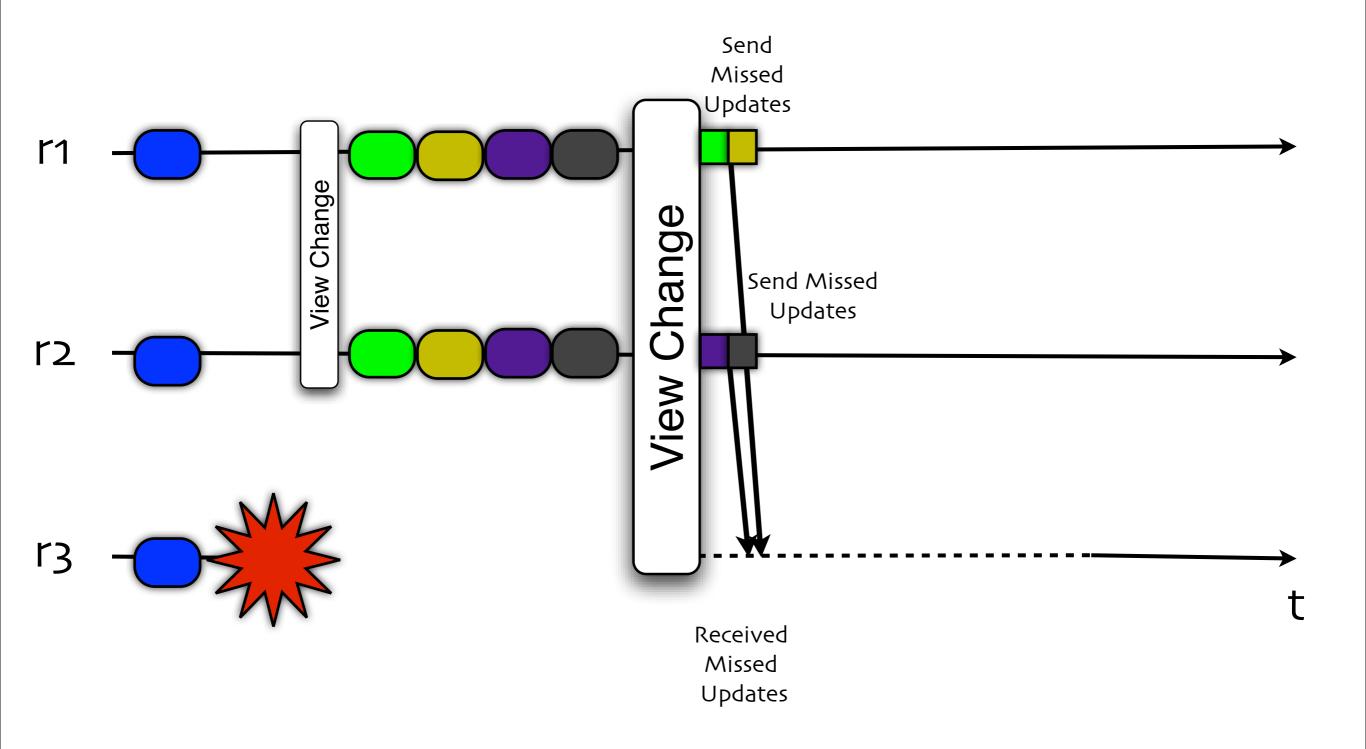




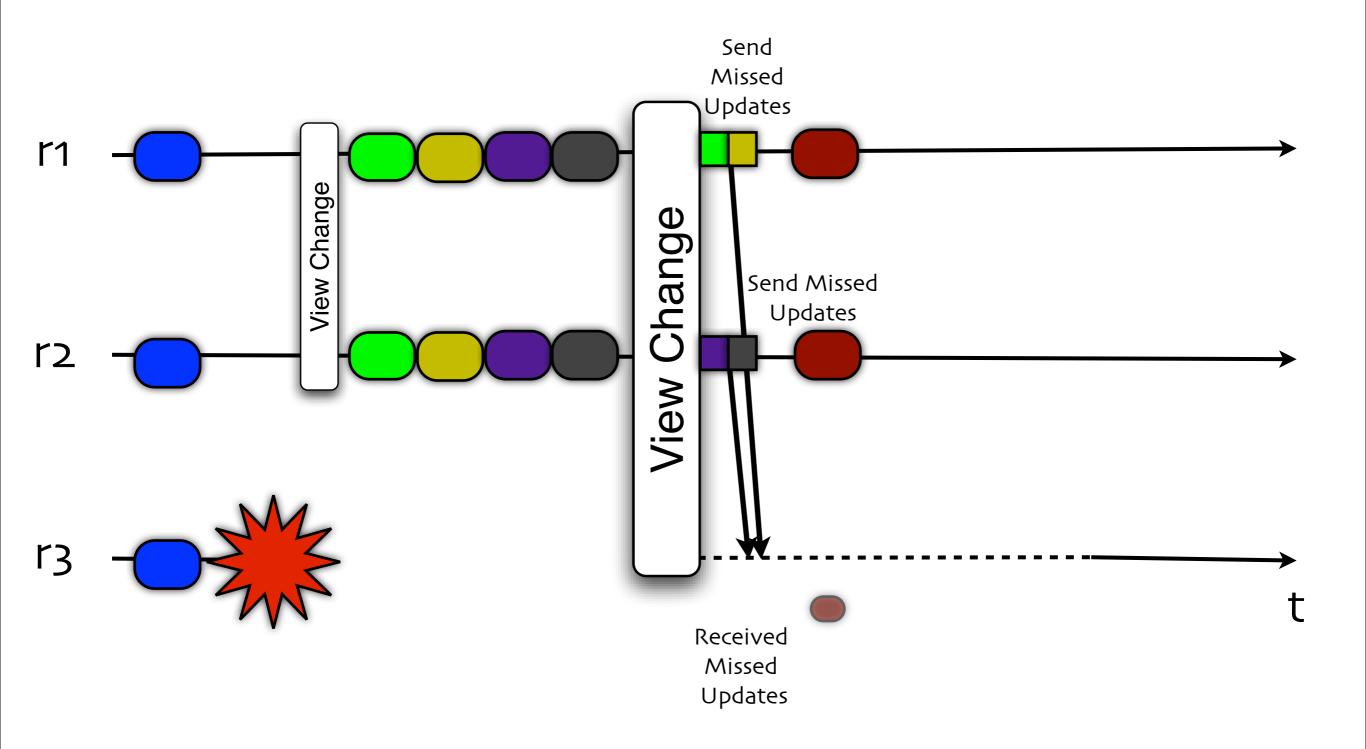






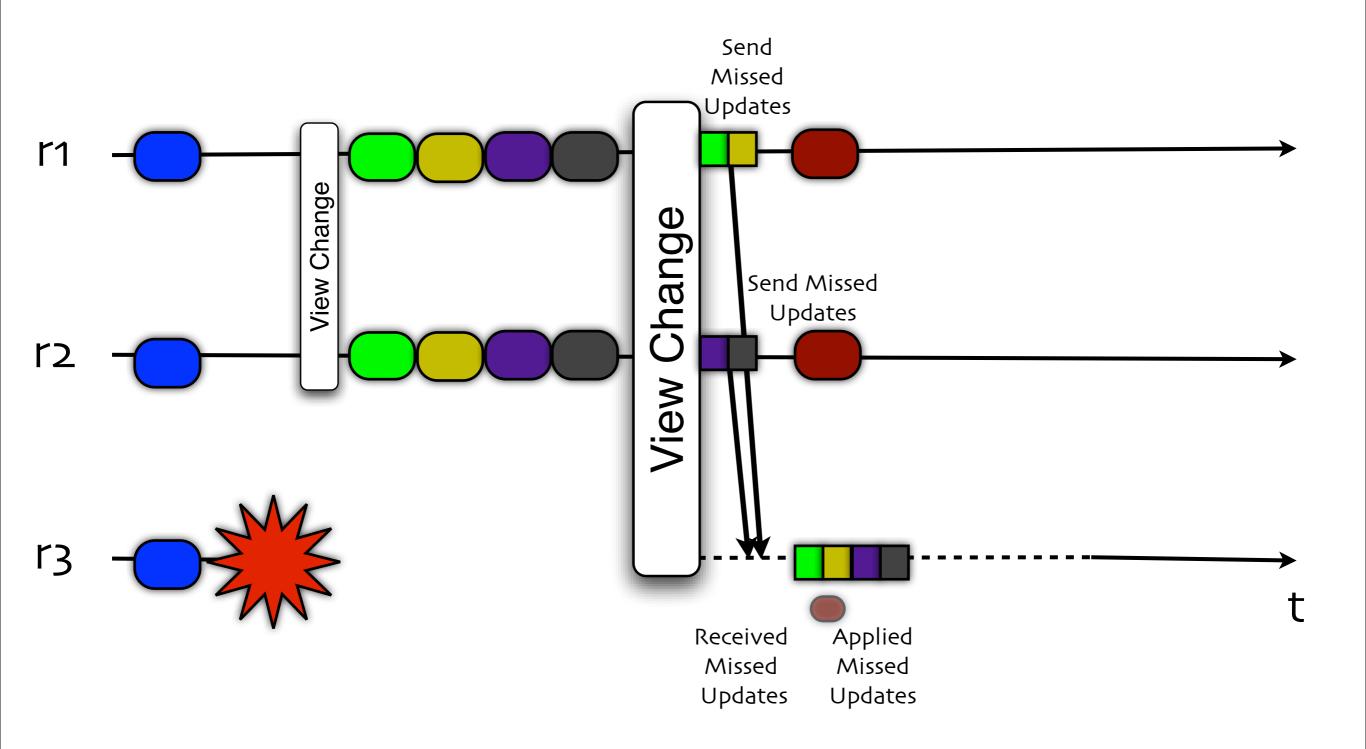






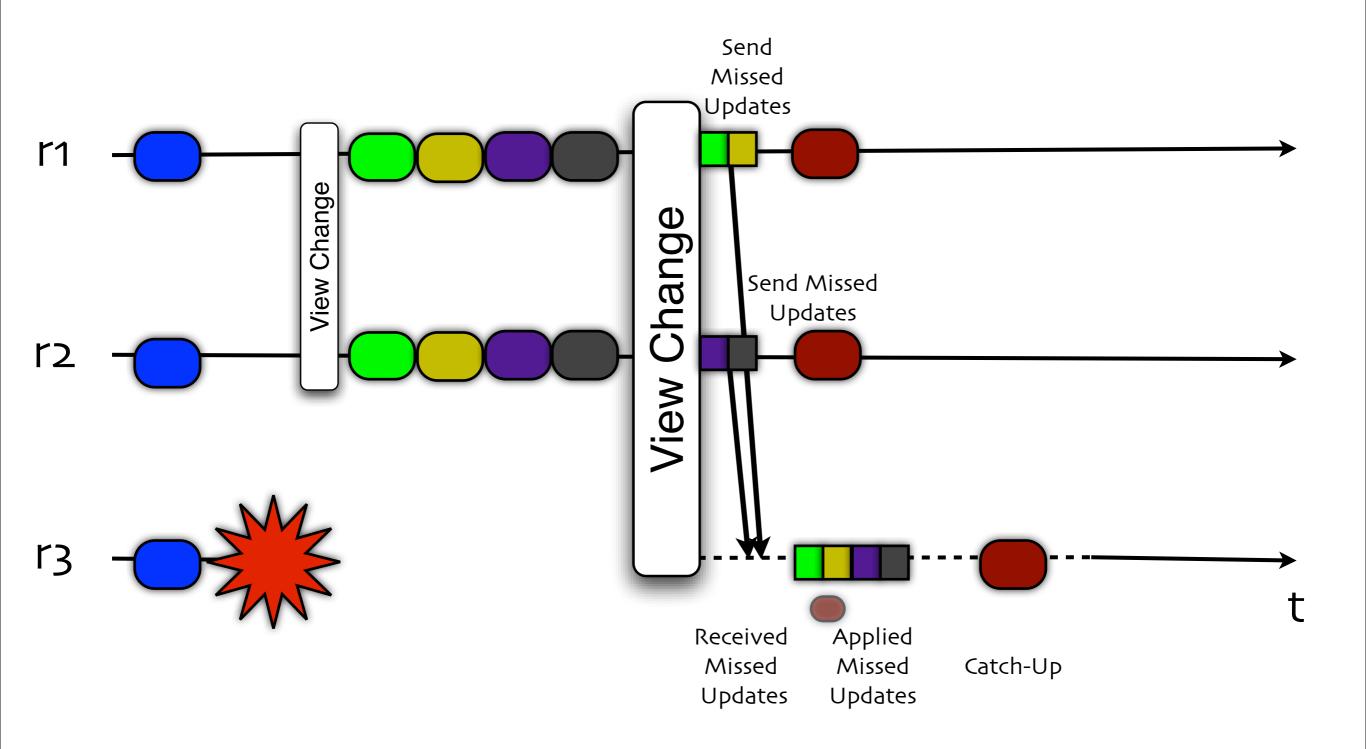


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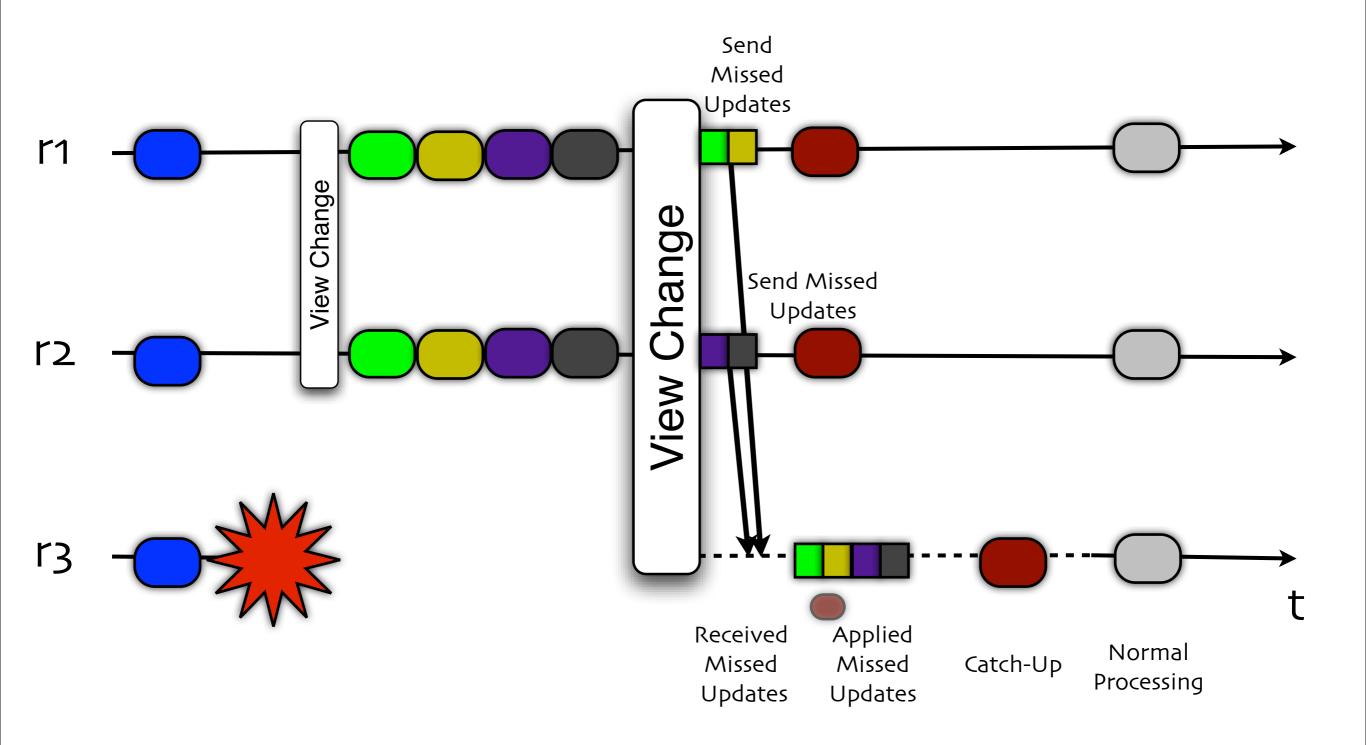


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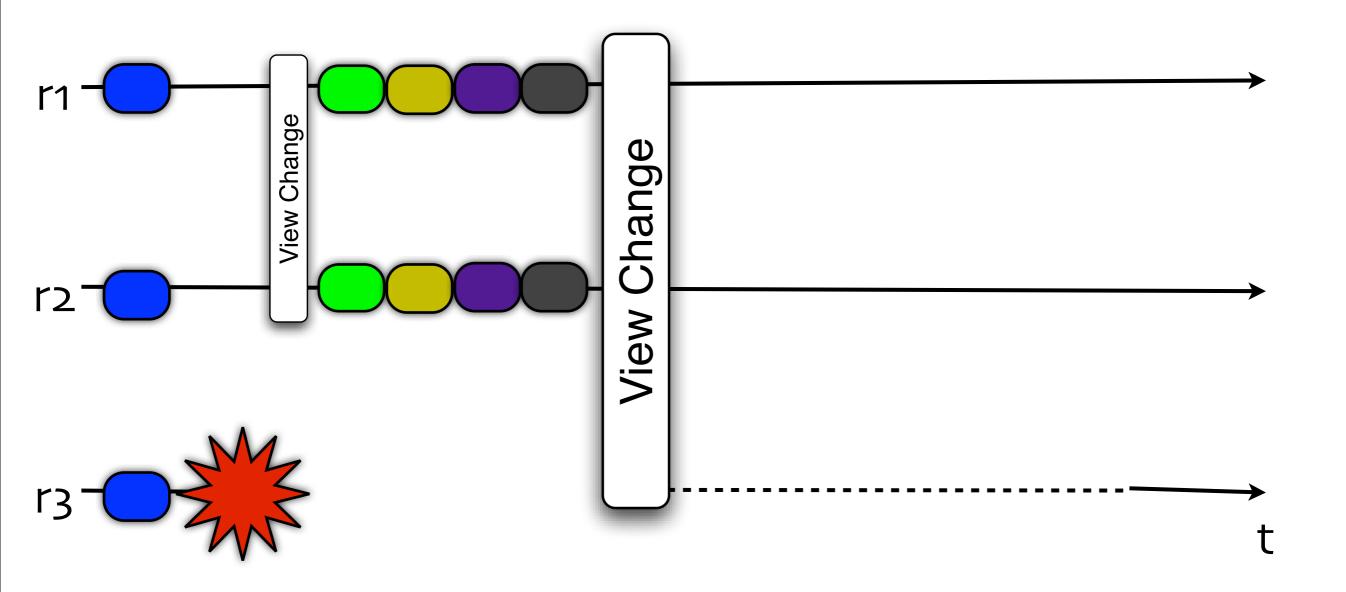


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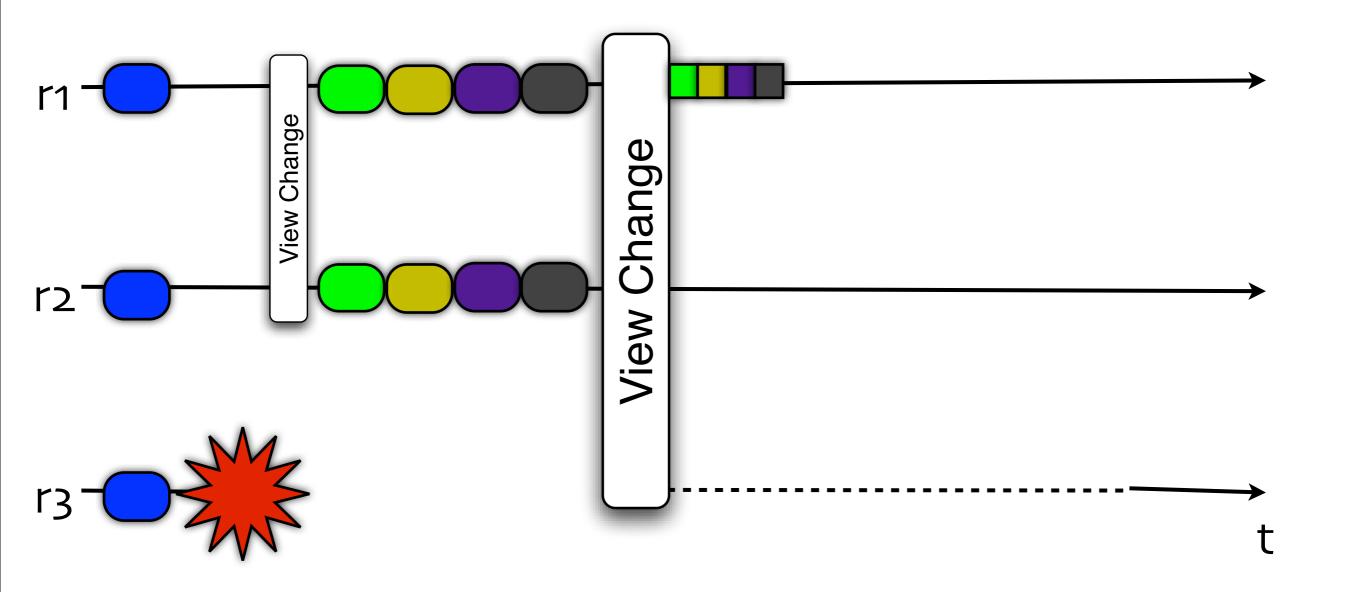




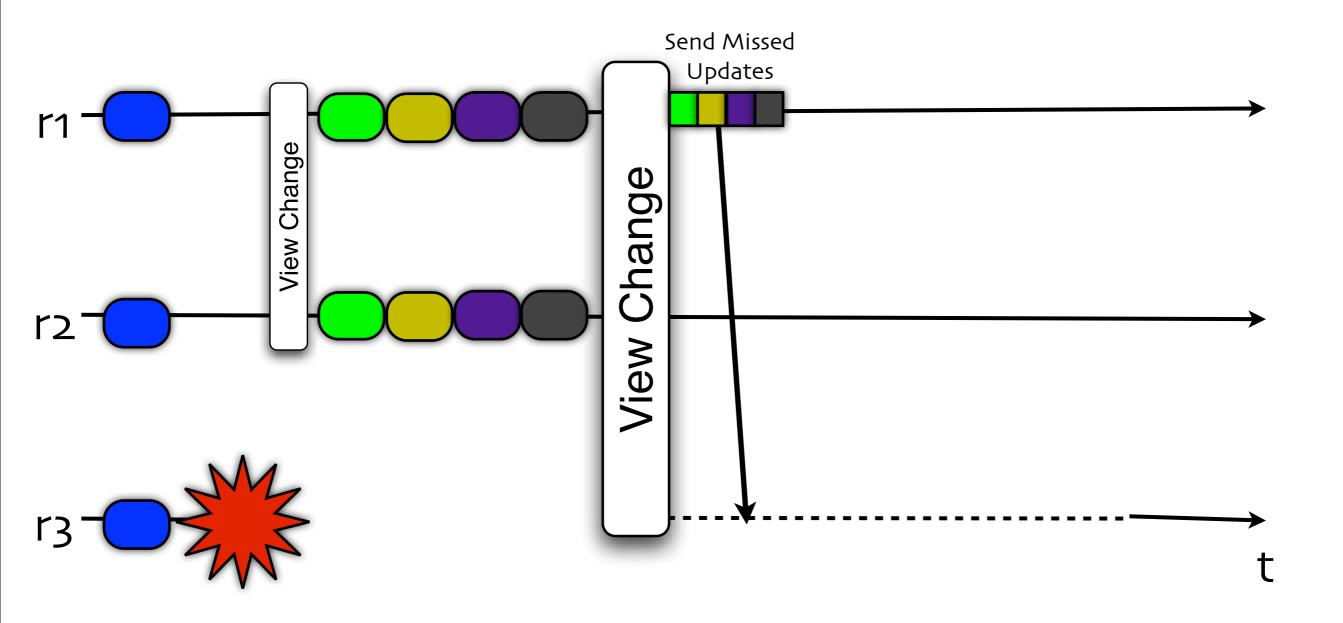




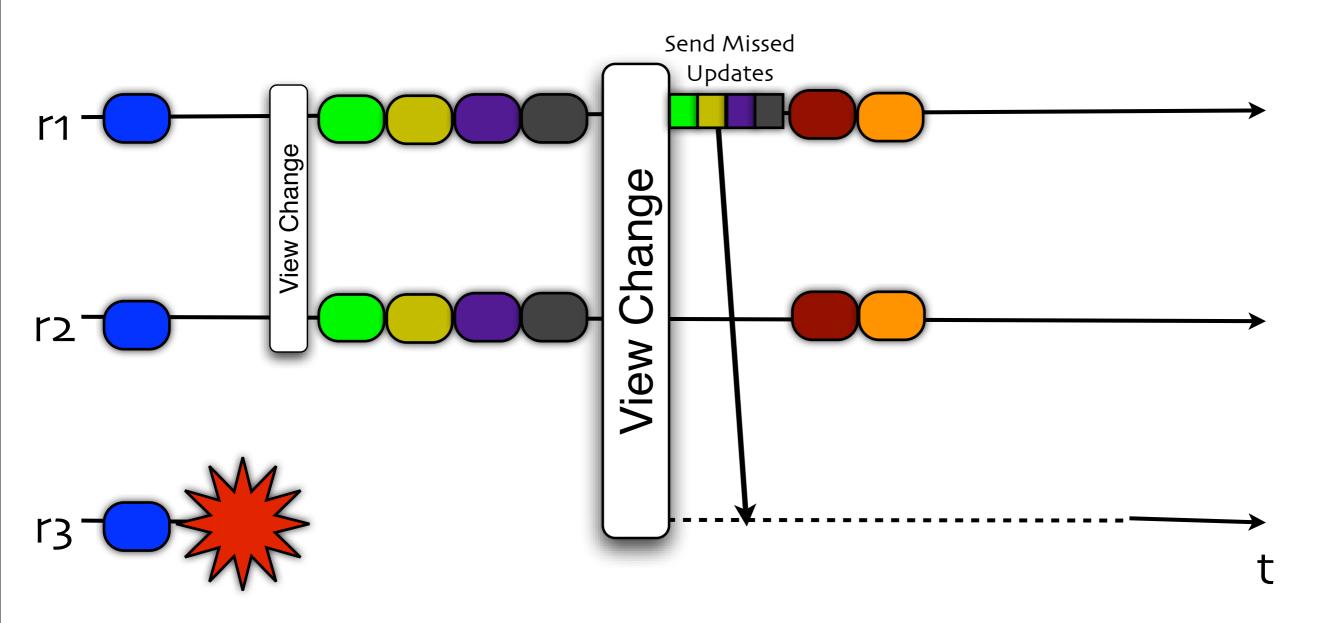




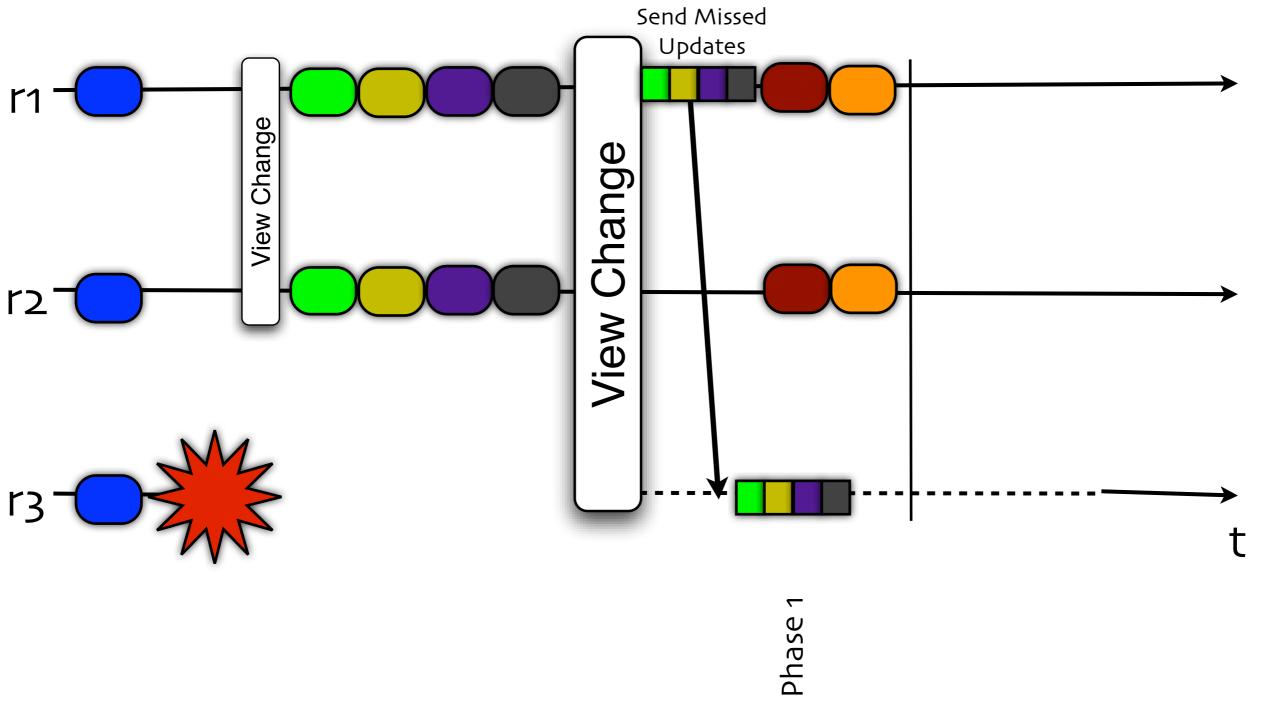


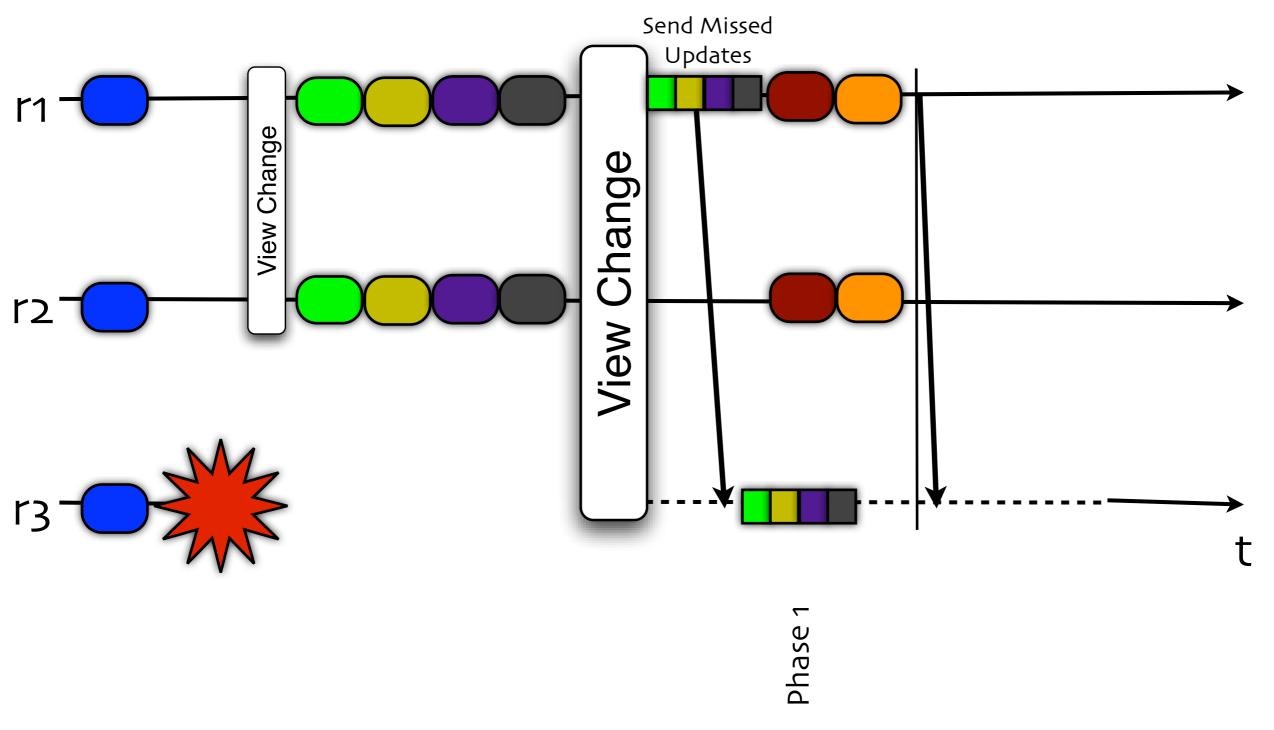


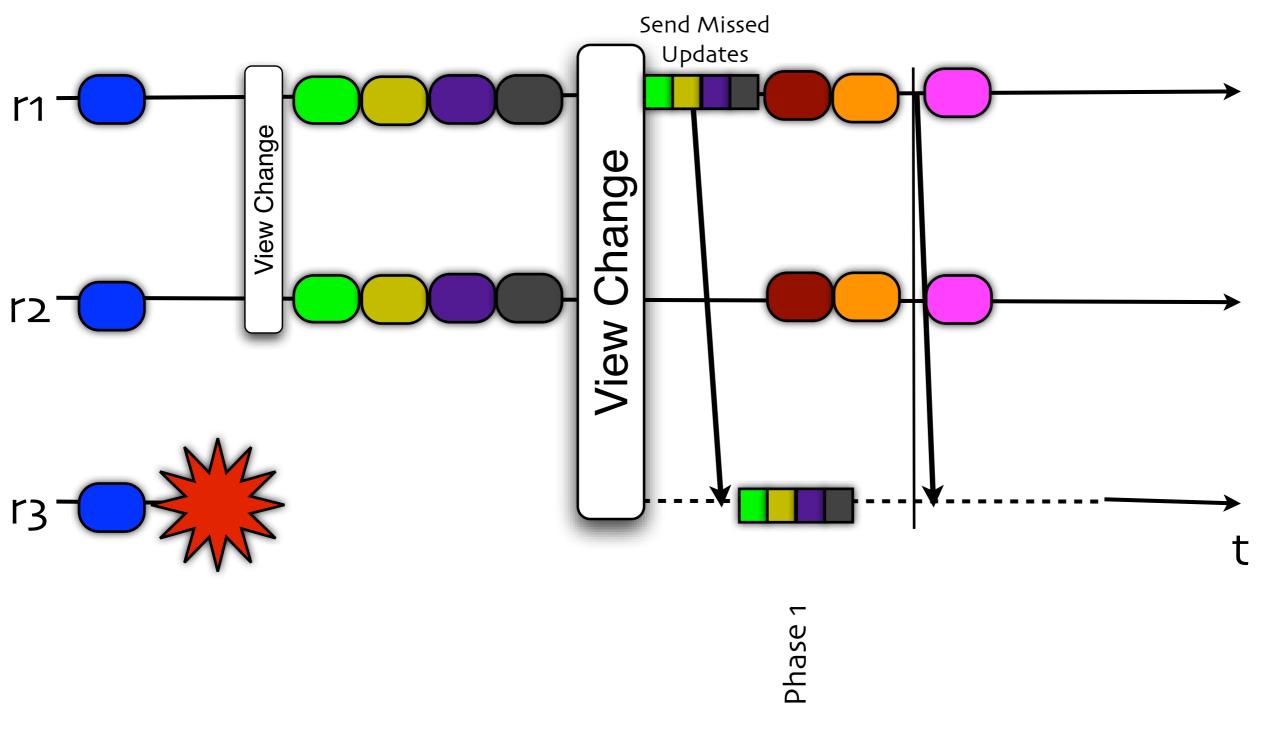




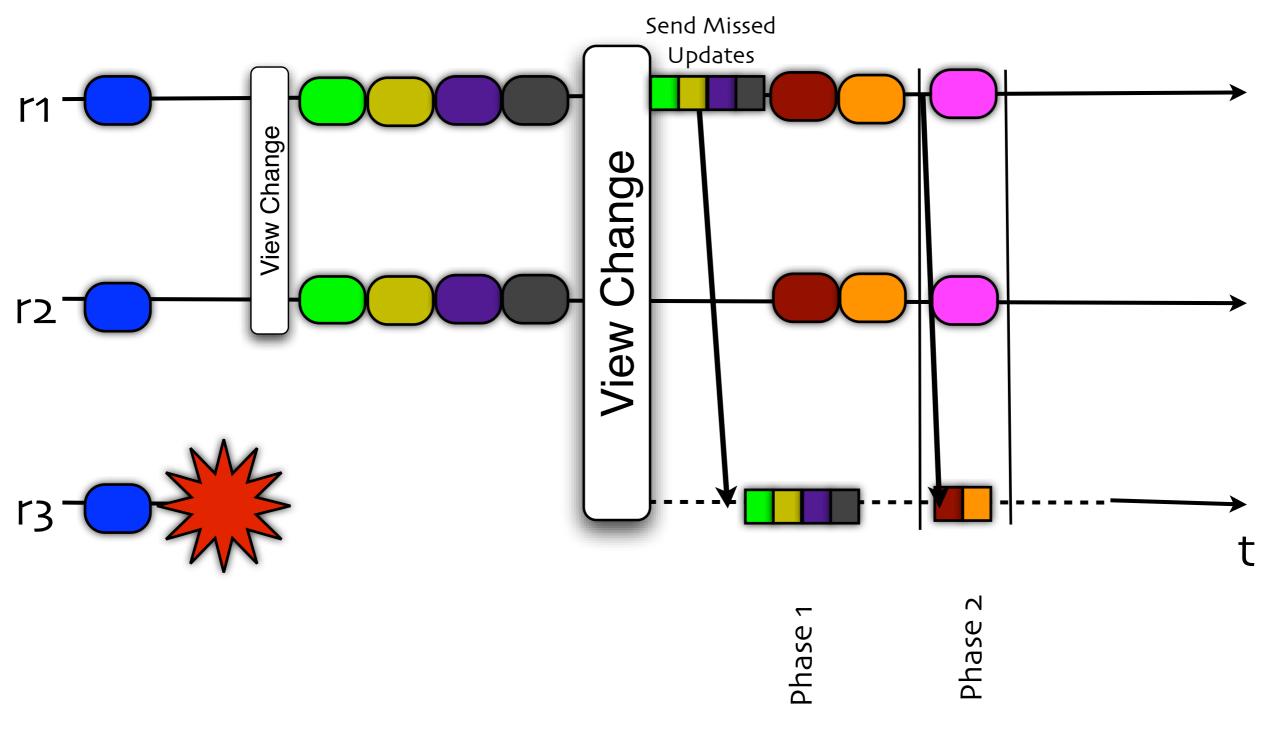




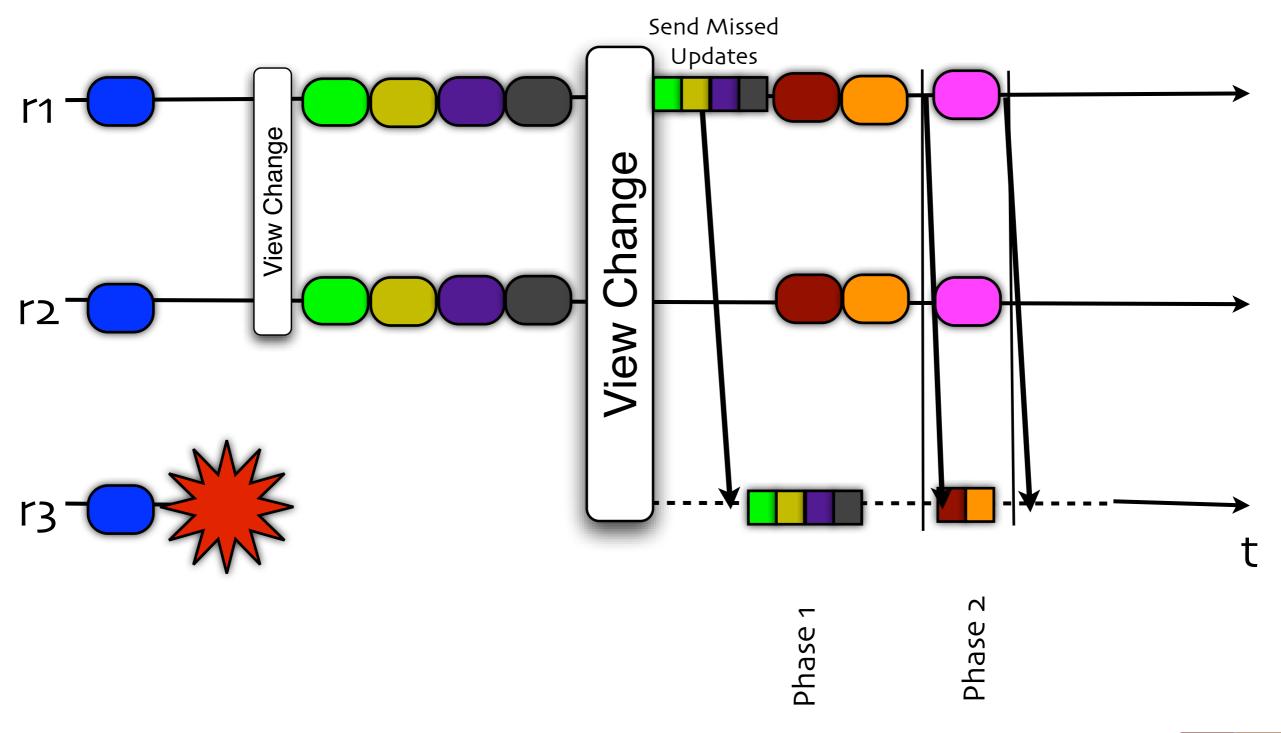


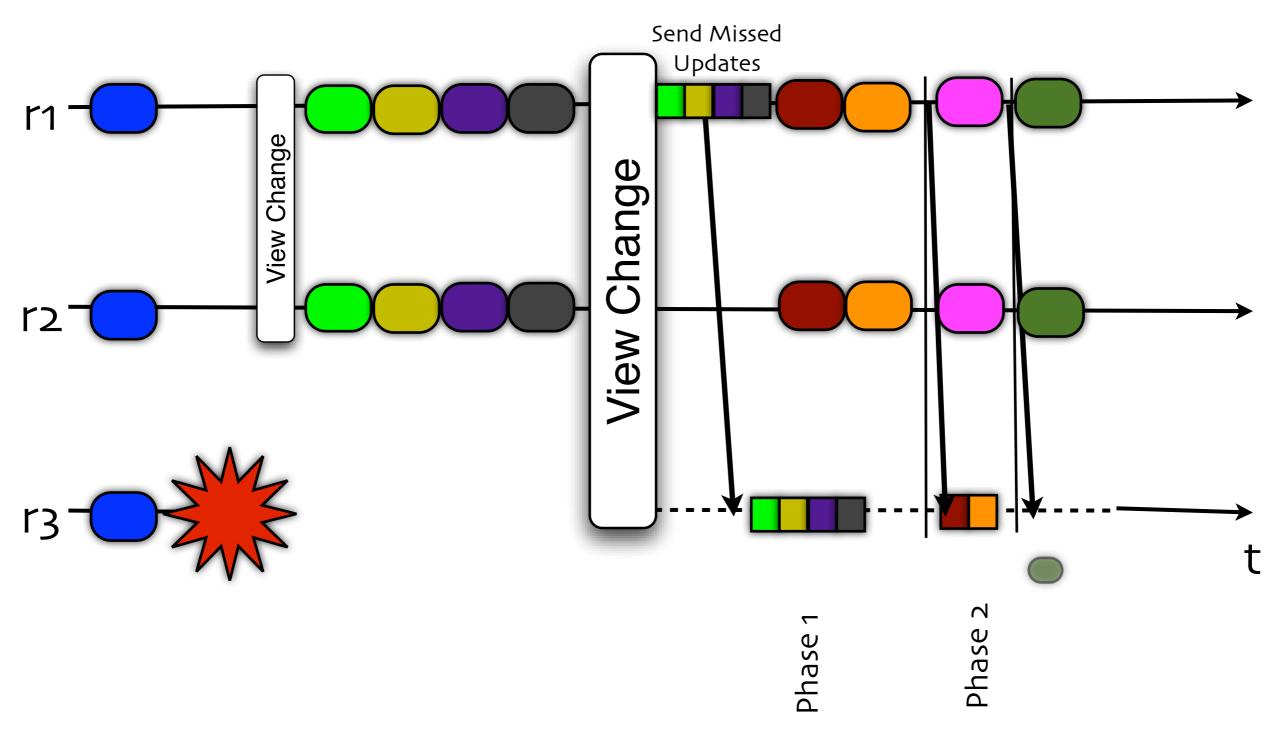




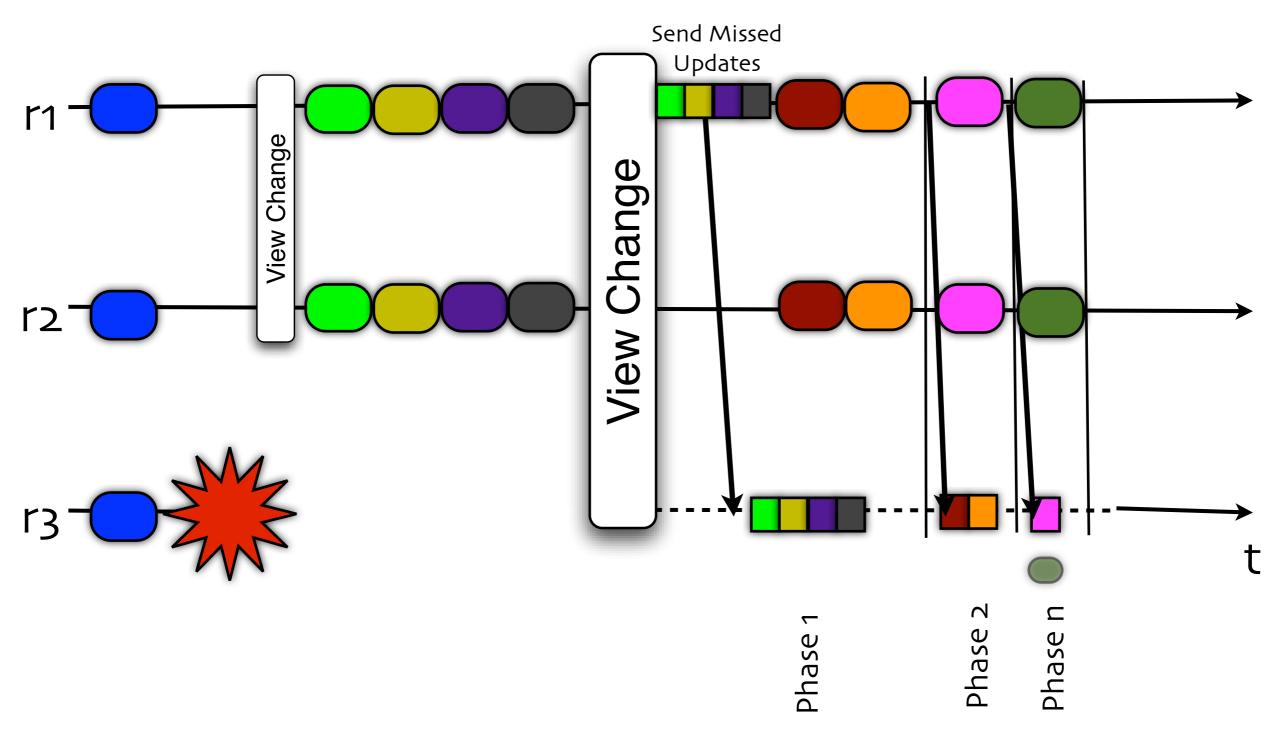


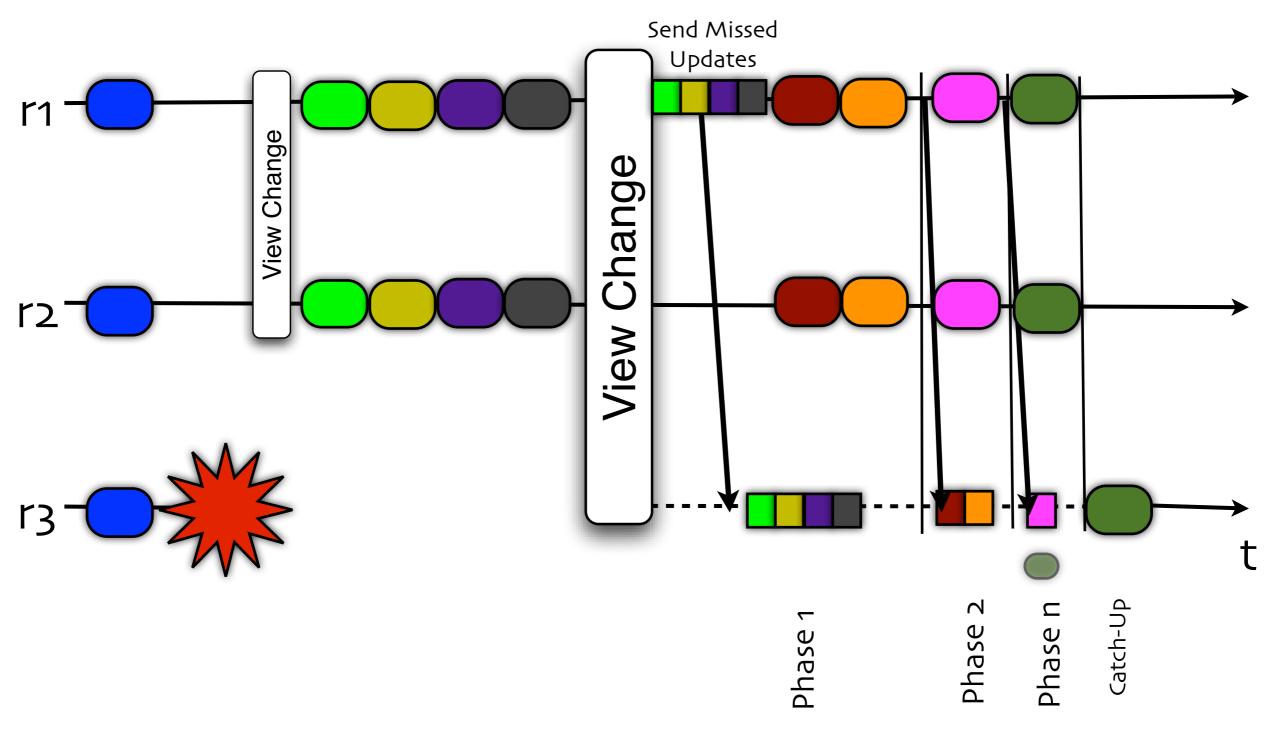


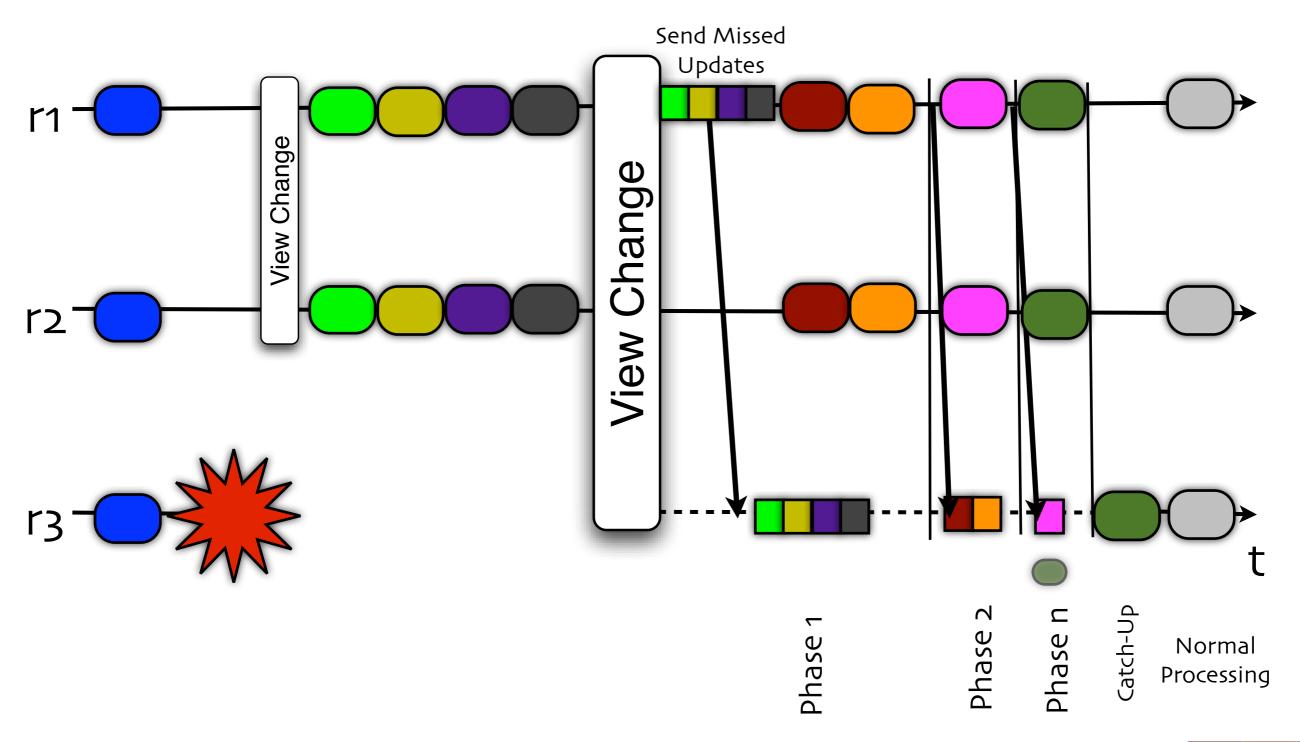












Experimental Setting

- 4 commodity servers on par with the systems used in recent related work
 - Intel Core 2 Duo at 2.13GHz, 1GB RAM and dedicated SATA HD.
- Replicas ran an instance of PostgreSQL 8.1 and a Java Virtual Machine (1.5.0) for the Replication service.
- No failures during the recovery process
- At most one replica was recovering during evaluation
- Flow Control on the incoming rate of update transactions during recovery
- Average of three independent samples



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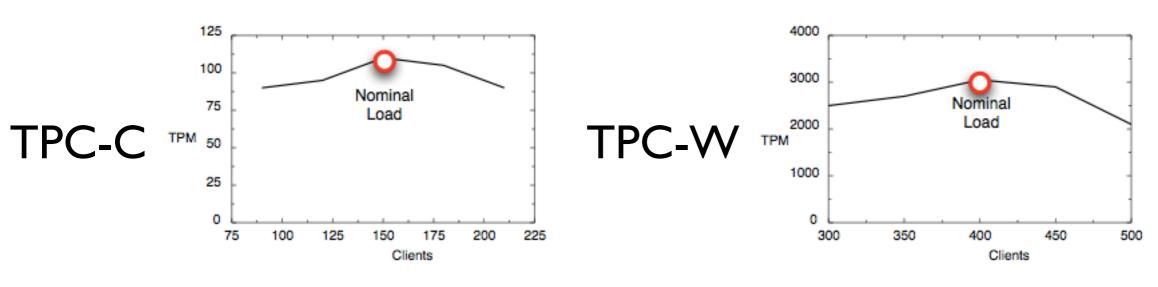


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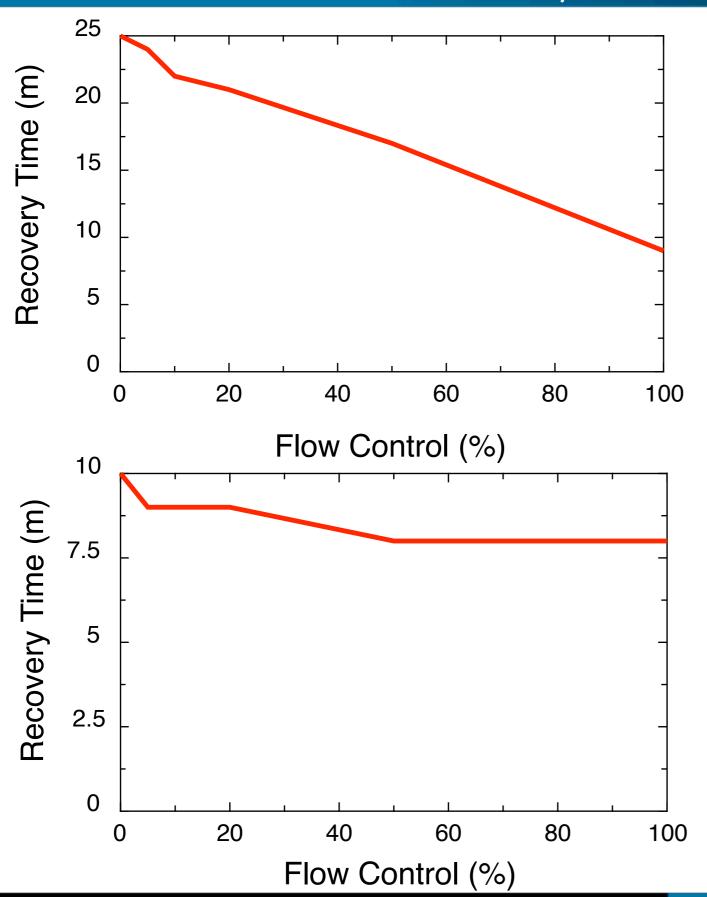
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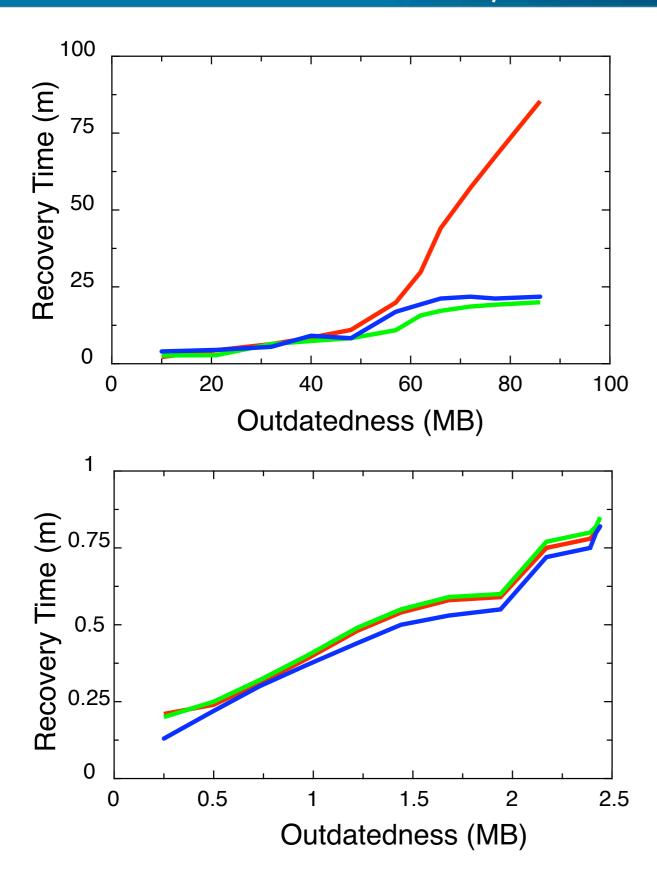


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Specific database dump and restore tools



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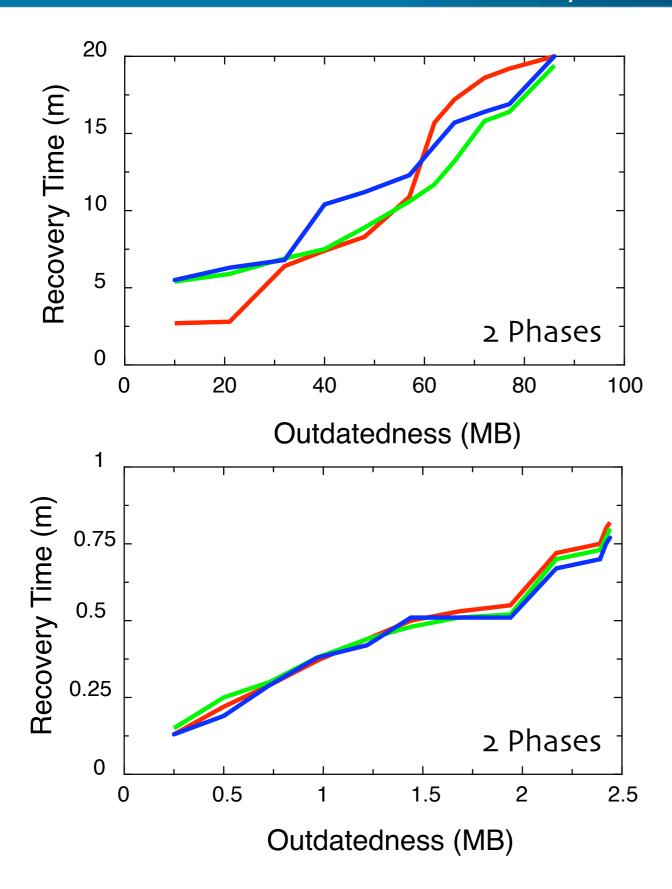


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Recovery Time: State Donors



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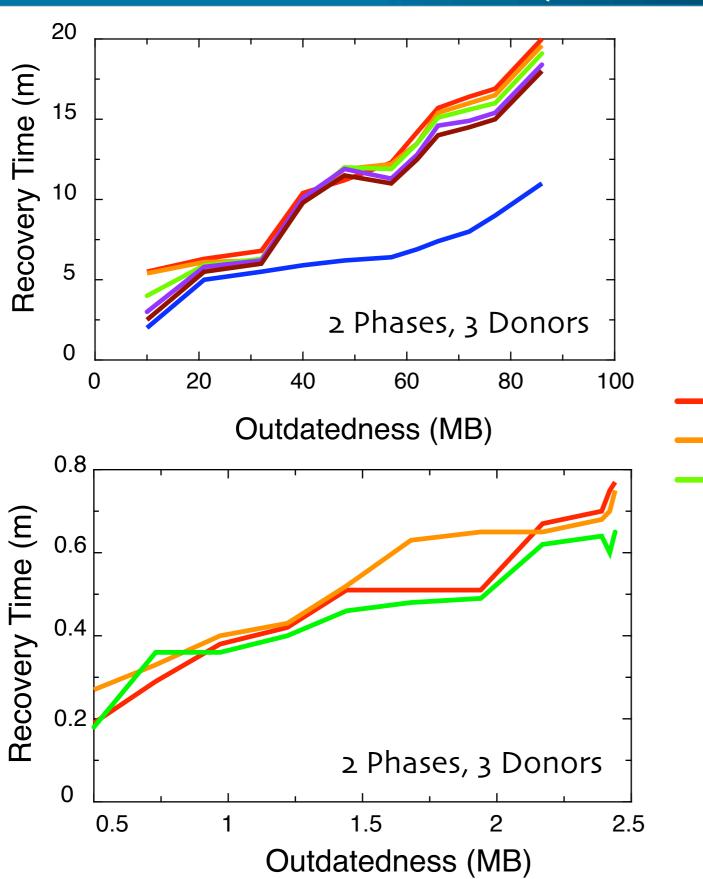
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2 donors

3 donors



Recovery Time: Flow Control

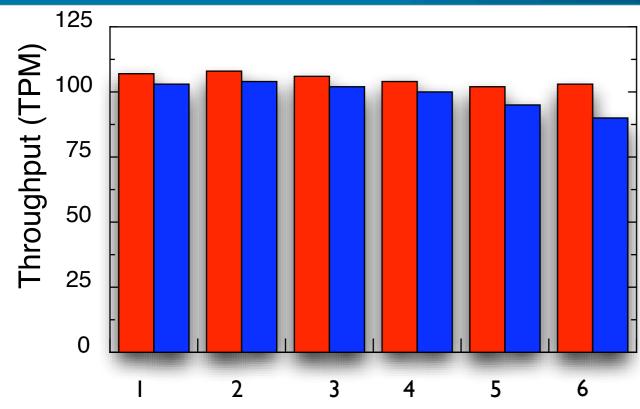


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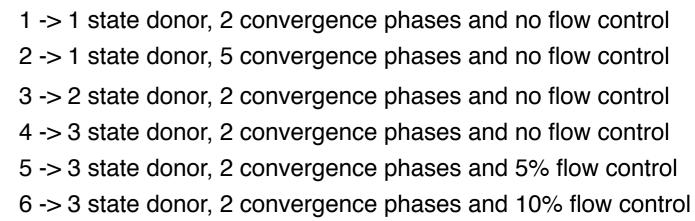


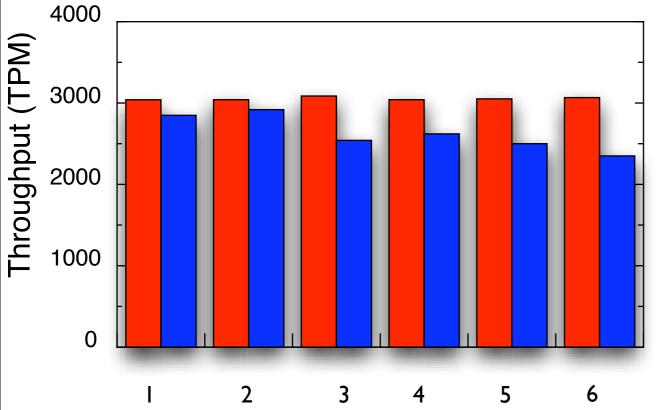
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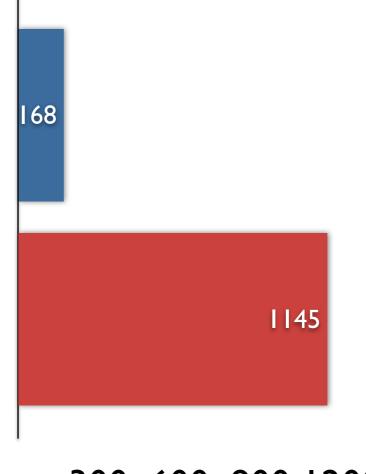


Donation vs. Recovery Time

- Recovery is about 7x longer than donation
- For a TPC-C workload, a 86MB recovery log and a single donor:



Recovering replica



300 600 900 1200 S



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- Most research has been targeted at optimizing the operations that are not, by a large margin, limiting factors in overall performance

