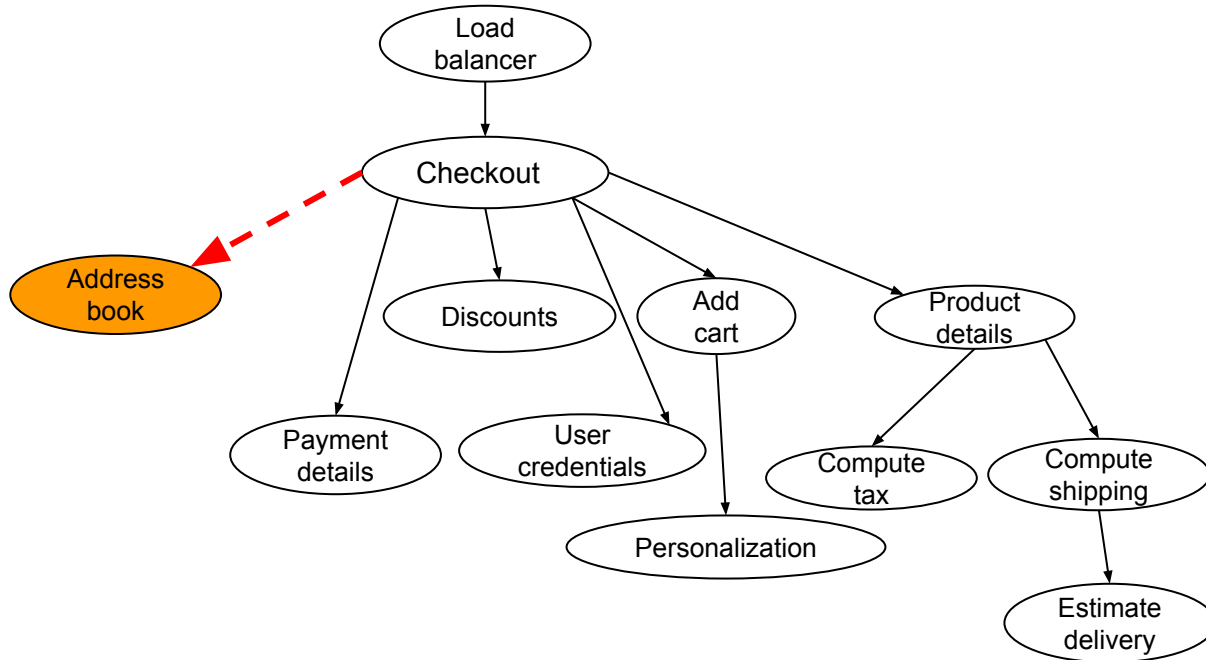
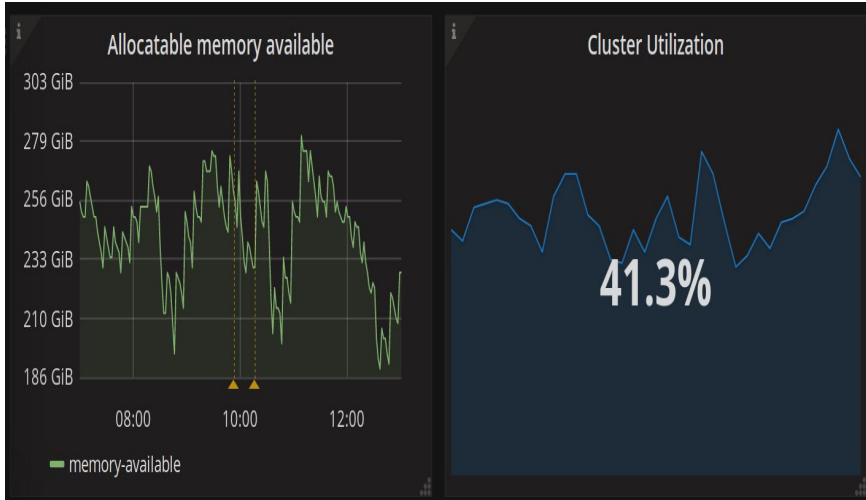

Automated fault diagnostics

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Problem addressed: Real-time debugging

Operators must perform remediation to mitigate site outages, but the right mitigation often requires understanding the chain of event interactions





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Example Product | Example Service

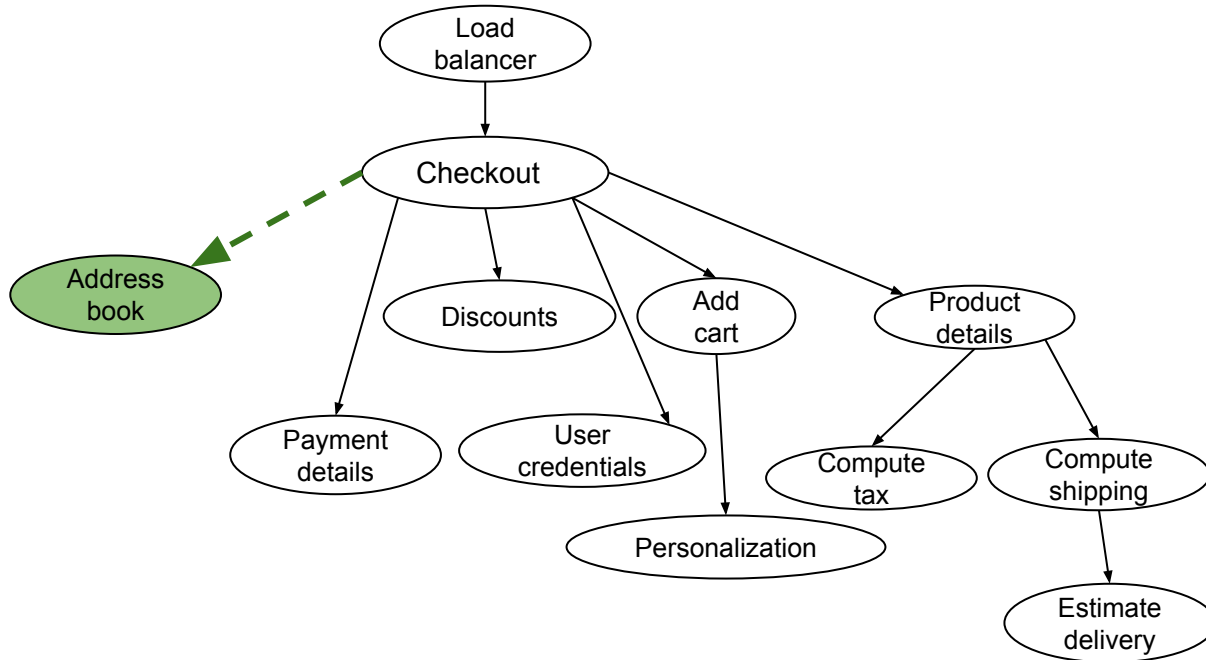
Example Service

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	VOLUME		AVAILABILITY	LATENCY		ERRORS	TICKETS
	Total Request Per Day	Peak TPS	Overall Availability	90th Percentile(ms)	95th percentile(ms)	5xxs (%)	Overall Tickets
SLOs	15,000,000	500	99.96	750	1,000	0.04	0
2018-01-31	4,135,564	89.9	100%	496.58	884.47	0	0
2018-02-01	4,050,507	93.53	99.99%	491.45	892.83	0.01	0
2018-02-02	4,051,150	81.25	100%	445.86	842.1	0	0
2018-02-03	4,238,050	81.17	100%	437.92	827.31	0	0
2018-02-04	4,343,915	144.48	99.3%	857.52	1,194.88	2.4	2
2018-02-05	4,616,110	109.8	100%	474.43	864.79	0	0
2018-02-06	4,304,866	98.63	99.99%	484.78	871.01	0.01	0

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Distributed systems failures

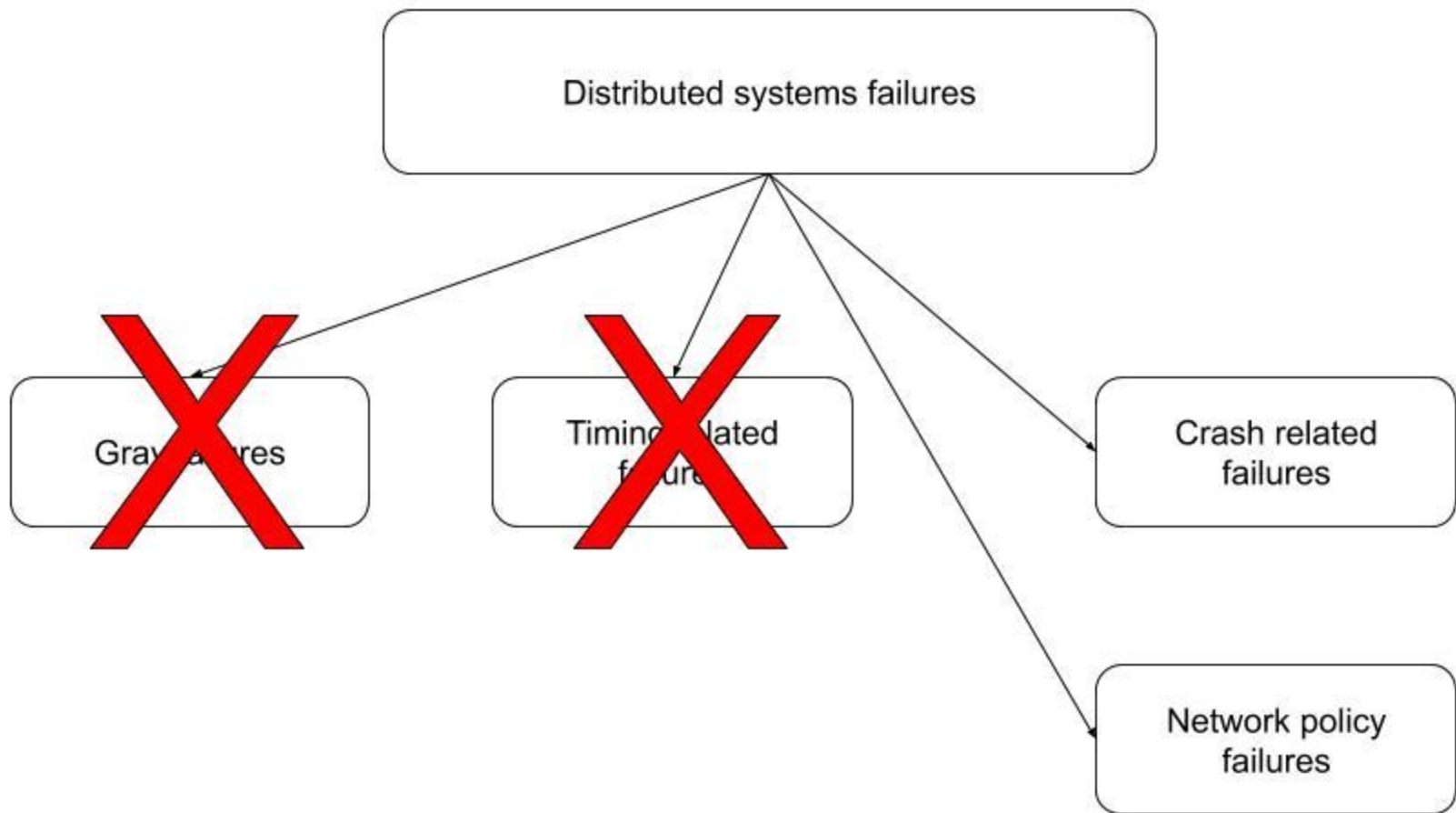
~~Gray failures~~

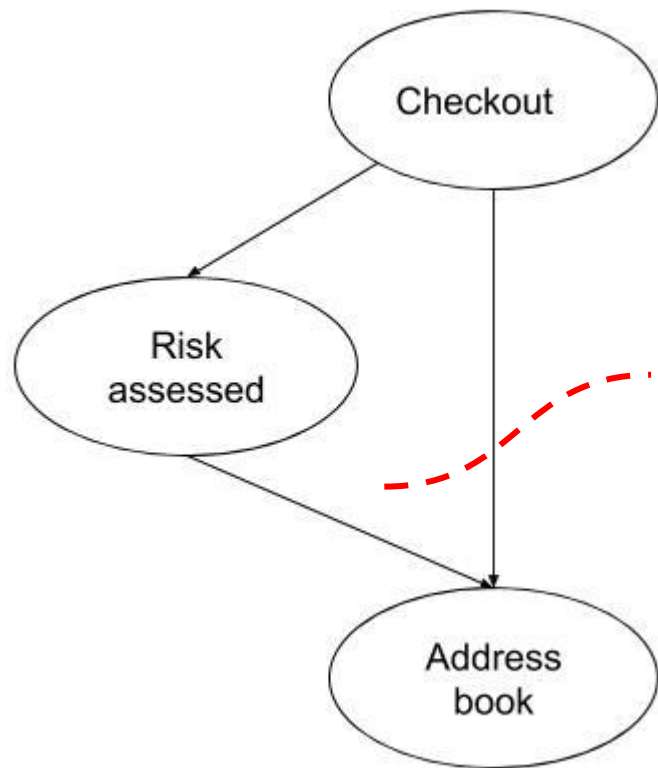
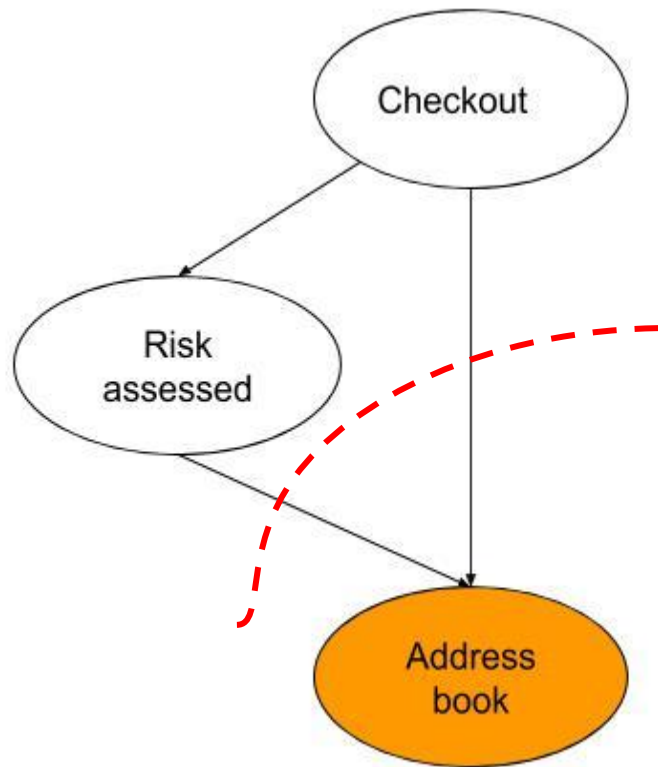


Distributed systems failures

~~Graceful failures~~

~~Timing related failures~~



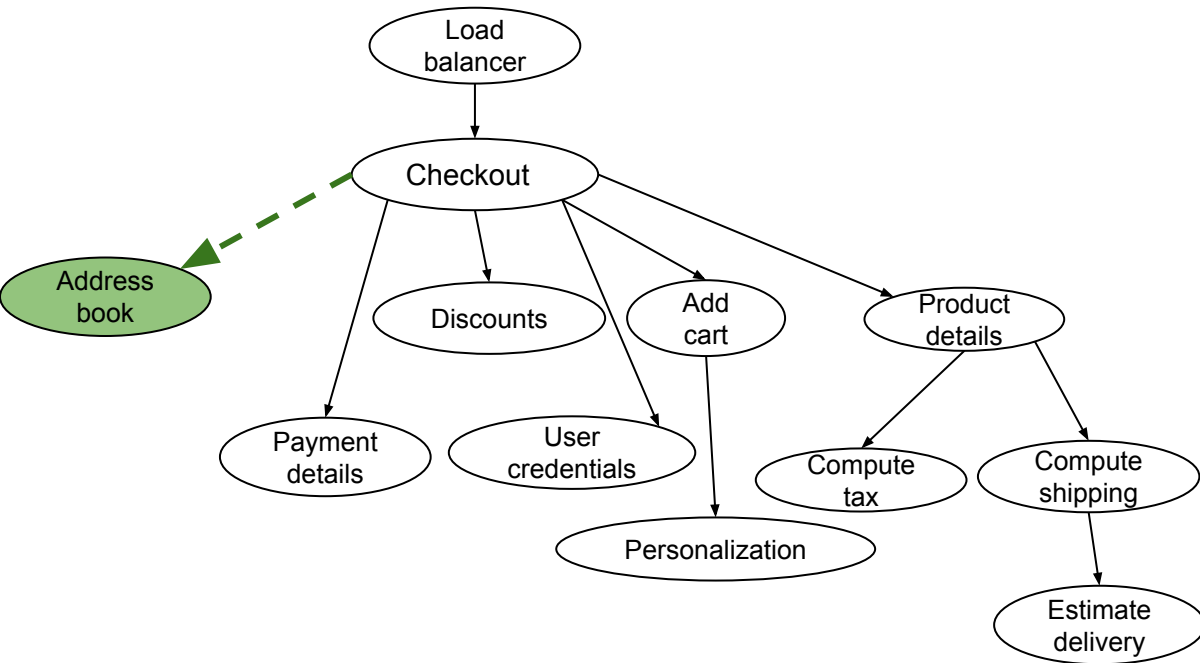


After finding an example anomalous execution, operators might ask:

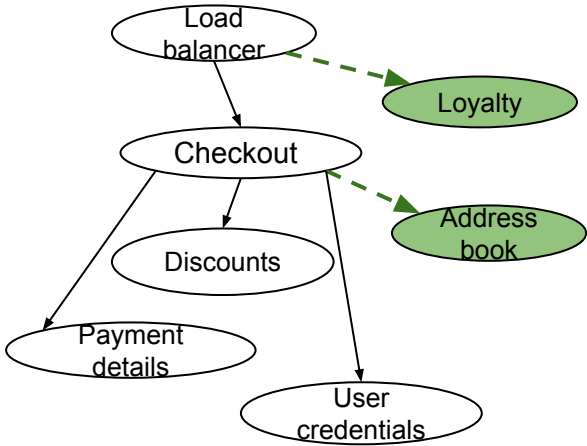
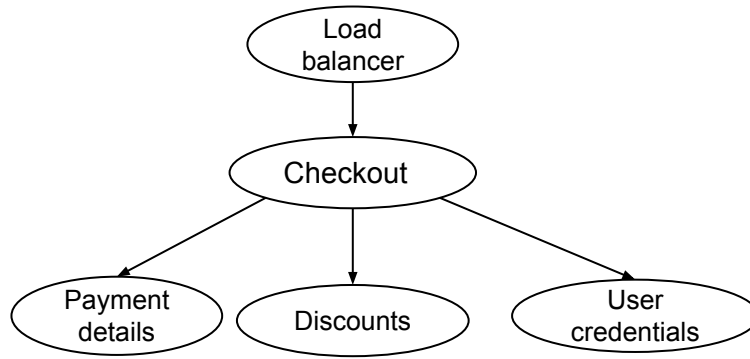
*How does **this** anomalous execution differ from those seen in steady state?*

- Why traces?
 - Increasingly deployed in industry
 - Structure of traces encapsulates chain of interactions

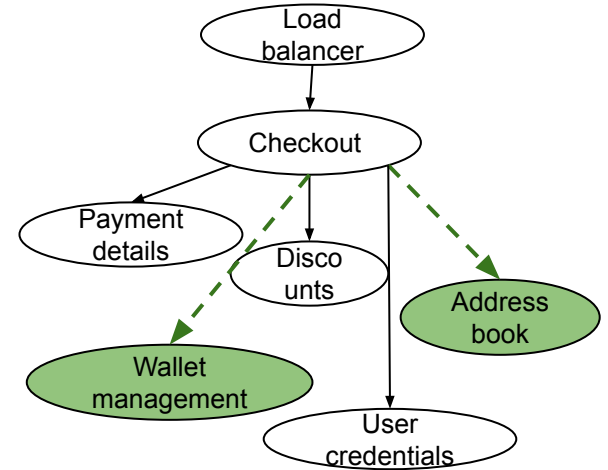
- System traces contain the answer to this question!



1. Get trace of an anomalous execution
2. Get trace of **one** successful execution
3. Difference the two

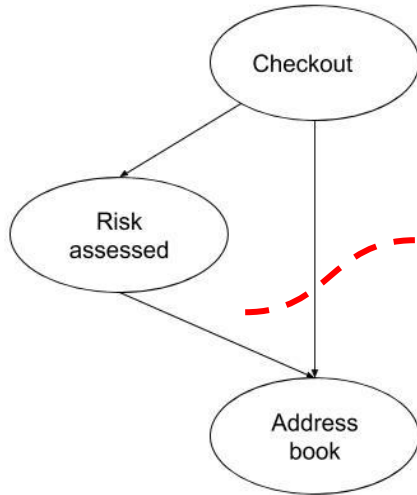


Add a **minimal** subgraph to the underlying graph of the failed execution trace so that it succeeds

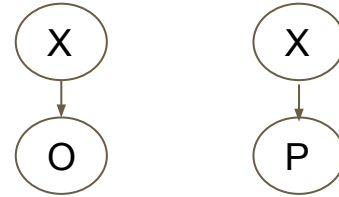


Naive approaches

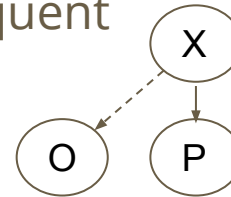
Count nodes:
 $O(N*M)$



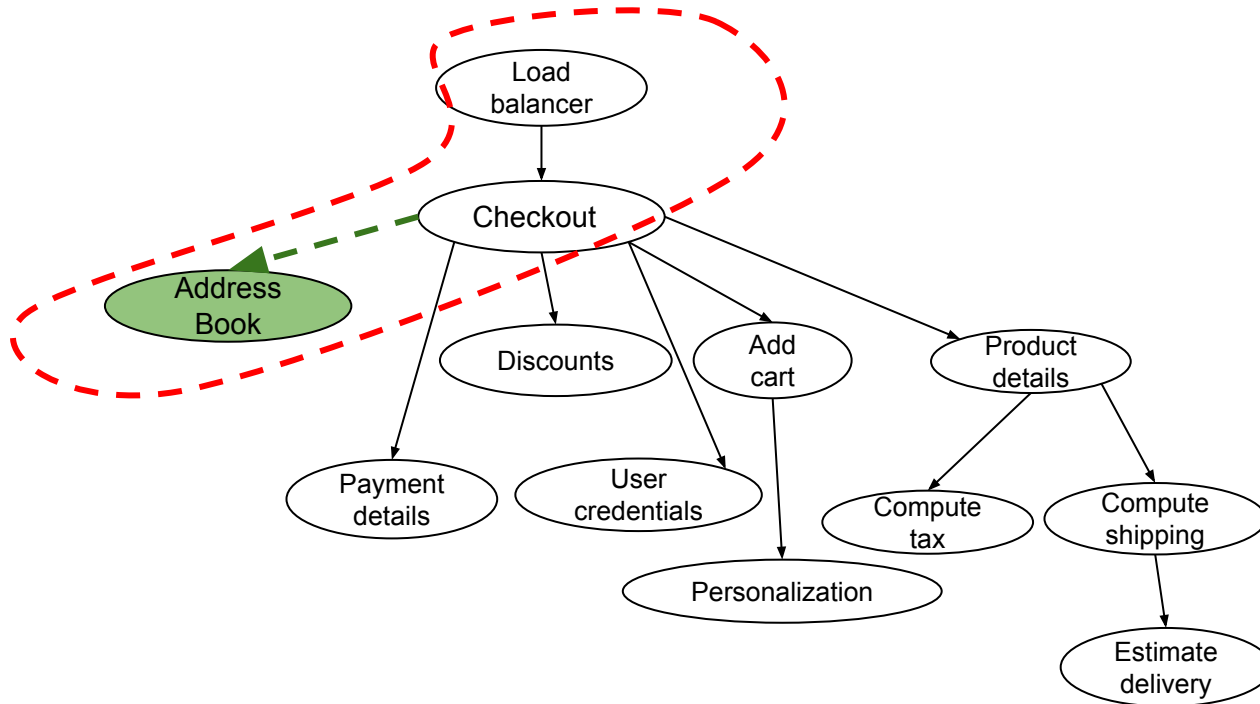
Markov models: $O(N)$

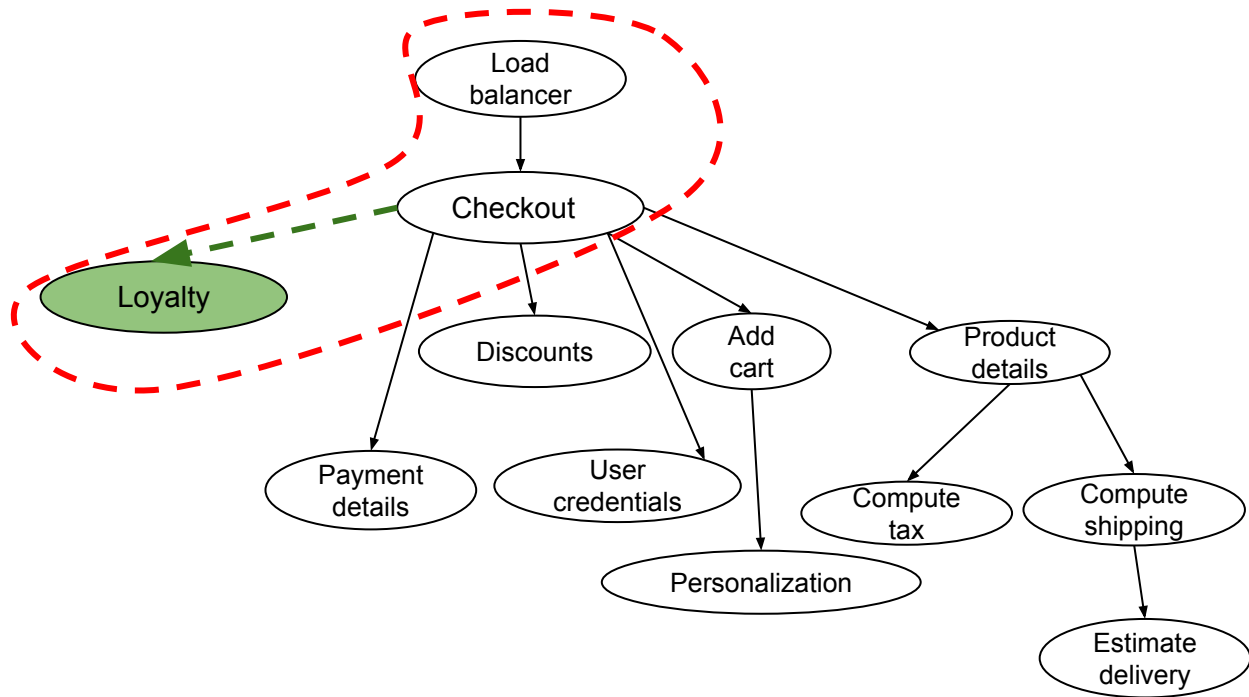


If $X \rightarrow O$ is 10X more frequent

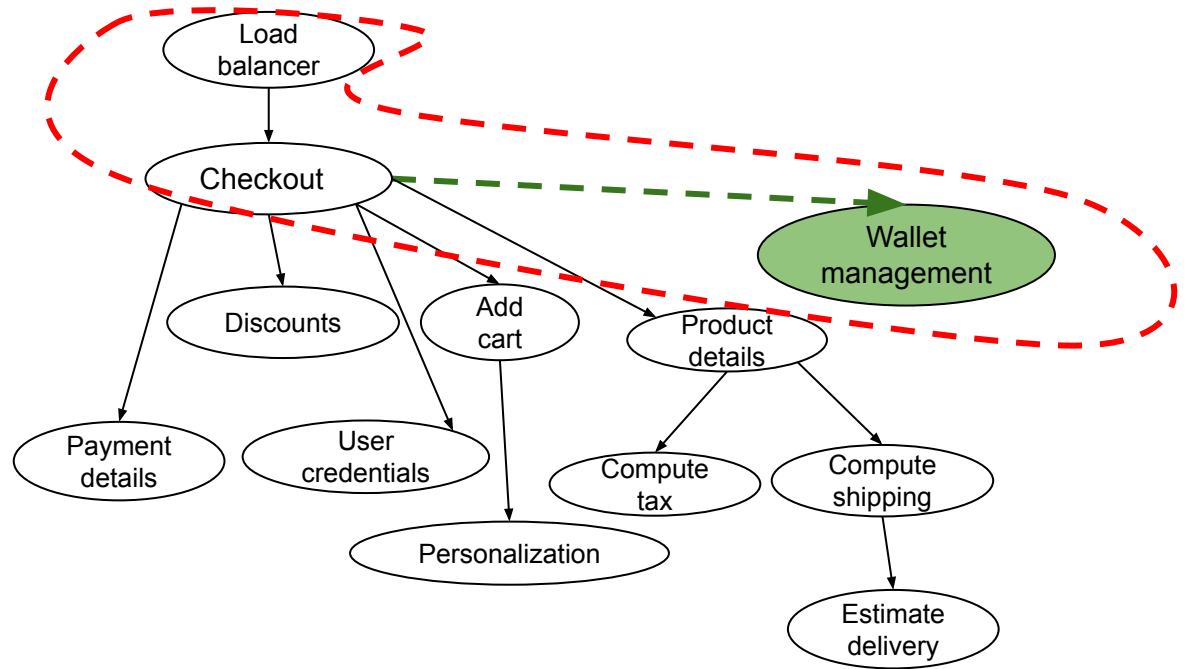


An alternate perspective

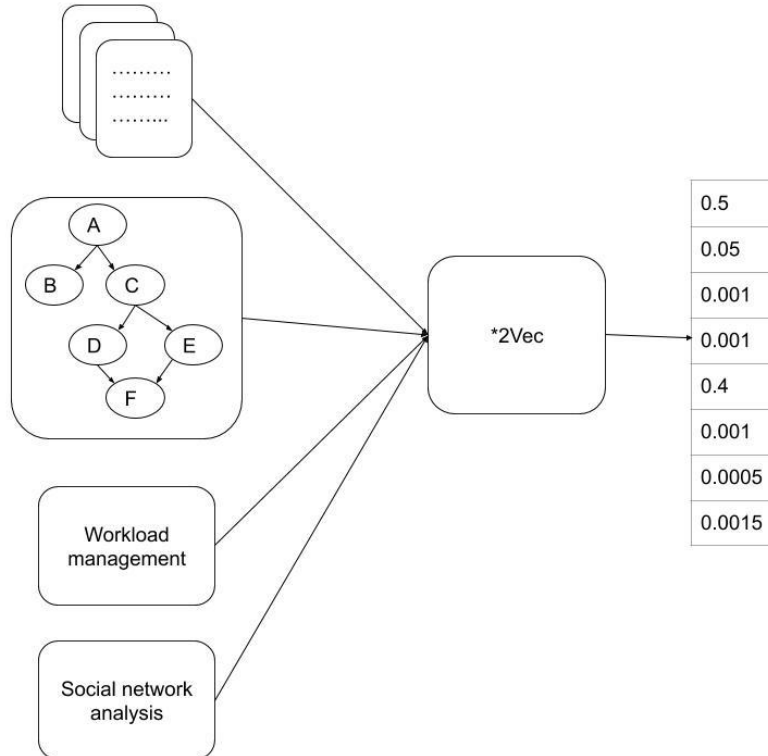




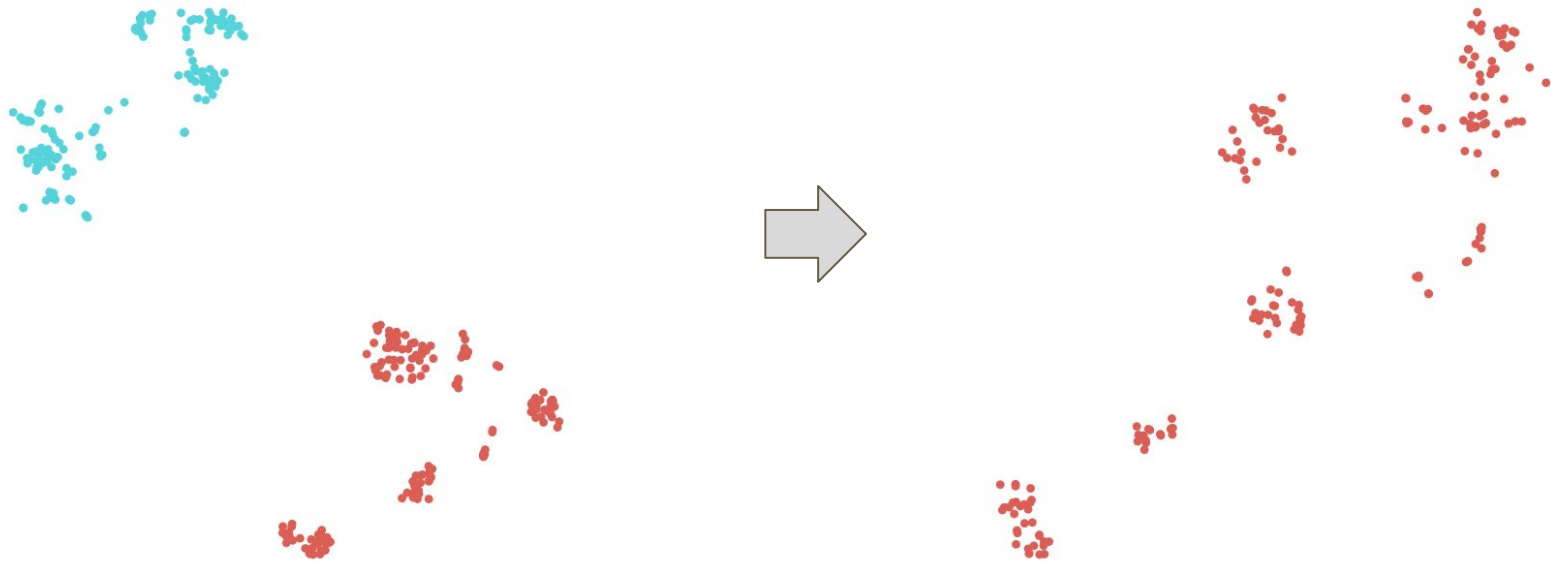
- Paths in traces:
Sentences of a document
- Traces: Documents
- Traces are the language of distributed systems
- Could we use techniques from NLP?



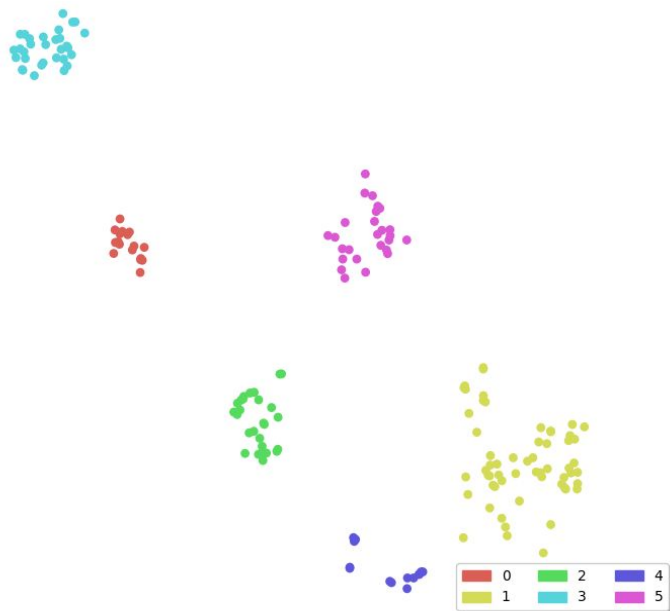
*2vec (Background)



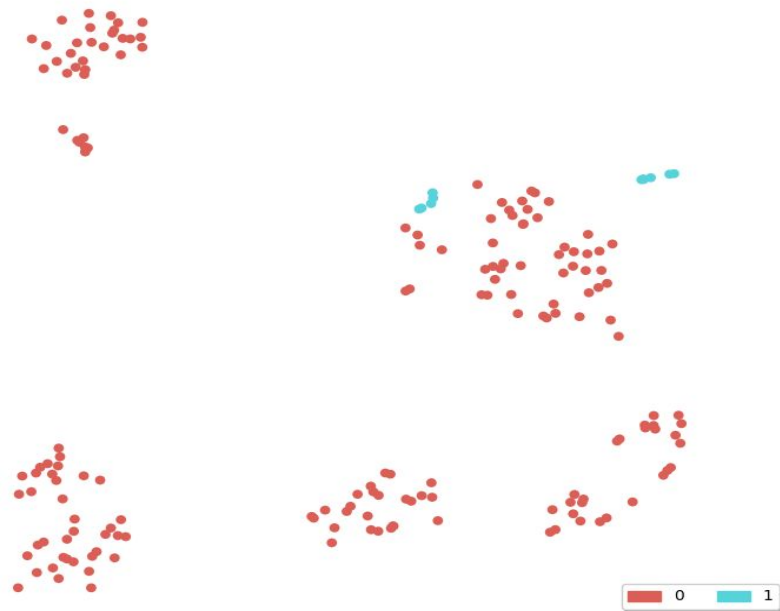
Doc2Vec



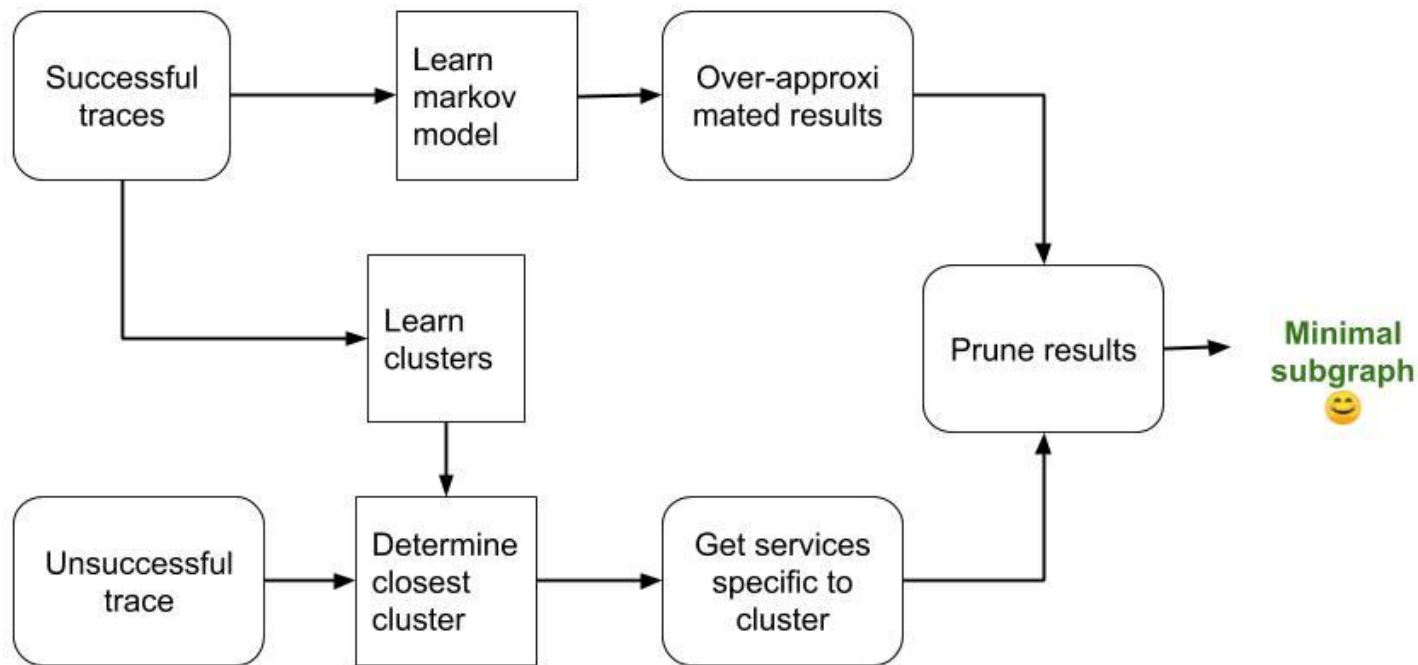
Clusters within a request type are automatically found using K-Means



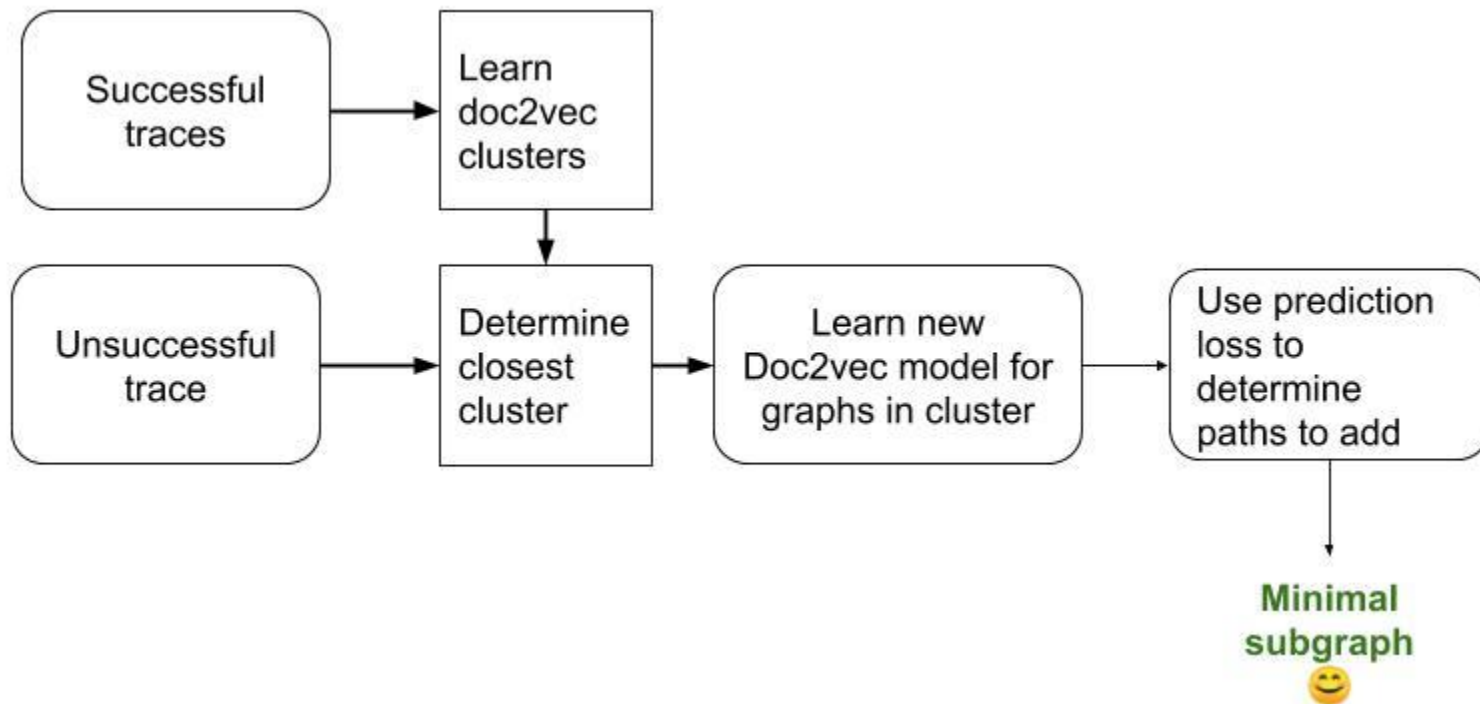
The blue points represent graphs from failed executions. These are all close to one cluster



Option #1



Option #2



Your thoughts?

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