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Subject: Key/Value store disk-based caching solution

Posted by [jjacksonRIAB](#) on Wed, 11 Sep 2019 05:24:12 GMT

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What would you recommend?

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Posted by [mirek](#) on Wed, 11 Sep 2019 08:20:12 GMT

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Mirek

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mirek wrote on Wed, 11 September 2019 10:20

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Mirek

Yes, right now I'm caching images as files which works just fine, but there is also metadata associated with the images and text that would be very helpful to gather in a KVS. In discord each comment a person makes has a snowflake associated with it and you can start "replaying" missed content while you were offline by providing that snowflake, I believe, at which point it gives you every change made after it (edits, deletes, etc). Right now I'm doing it the "dumb" way and just asking for the last 100 posts but that is not only slow reloading every time you come back online but precludes people from going back even further in the history (pretty much everything in the channel's lifetime is saved in pages).

I think after I've gotten somewhere with it, I'll put it up on github so people can rip through it and tell me how the code can be improved. You've already helped me improve how I'm doing things quite a bit. I'll look into Sqlite3 or see if I can write an lmbd wrapper that has some method calls similar to U++ containers.

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I'm not completely happy with it but I decided I'd release early before I potentially go down the wrong path on this wrapper.

<https://github.com/BornTactical/LmdbUpp>

It doesn't even support a fraction of the things LMDB does and I'm sure I have bugs so I wouldn't touch anything in production with this, but it does work with Upp serialization. I'll have to iteratively refine it until it becomes something I'm happy with. Nothing is locked down, most everything is subject to change.