



Forensic analysis of Oracle log files

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History

from 1992, ~20 employees

Applications:

special (DB – Newspaper Distribution, FIS – Flight Information System)

ARBITER – the ultimate tool in audit trailing

APPM - Abakus Plus Performance and Monitoring Tool

Services:

DBA, OS administration, programming (MediaWiki, Oracle)

networks (services, VPN, QoS, security)

open source, monitoring (Nagios, OCS, Wiki)

Hardware:

servers, **backup server**, **SAN storage**, firewalls

Infrastructure:

from 1995 GNU/Linux **(19 years of experience !)**

Oracle on GNU/Linux: since RDBMS 7.1.5 & Forms 3.0 **(before Oracle !)**

>20 years of experience with High-Availability!



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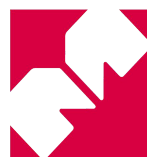


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**What are you on about
you muppet?**



Existing options

... and why not use them

- LogMiner
- ALTER SYSTEM DUMP LOGFILE

Why not?

- X requires a working (compatible) database
- X susceptible to log corruption
- X needs all logs since last dictionary (LogMiner)





Main structures

- Block

- static size (defined in block 0)
- defaults to disk block size
- endianness

```
00 22 00 00 00 00 C0 FF 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
1B 58 00 00 00 00 02 00 00 7D 00 00 00 7D 7C 7B 7A
A0 81 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
```

- Record

- vector (size followed by data)
- chained

- Change

- static header size
- vector of data part sizes
- data parts





Block

Structure

block header

01 22 00 00 02 00 00 00 65 0F 00 00 10 80 A0 6D

block number (RBA minor)

file number (RBA major)

first record offset (RBA micro)

checksum (XOR)

Redo Byte Address (RBA)

0x000f65.00000002.0010





Block 0x01 (Log header)

```

01 22 00 00 01 00 00 00 65 0F 00 00 00 80 83 32
00 00 00 00 00 00 20 0B 55 89 2D 43 4A 55 52 45
00 00 00 00 1E 7A 0B 00 00 20 03 00 00 02 00 00
02 00 02 00 44 BA 8D 46 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 54 6B 72 65
61 64 20 38 30 30 31 2C 28 53 65 71 23 20 30 38
30 30 30 30 33 39 34 31 2C 28 53 43 4E 20 30 78
30 37 33 63 62 61 34 35 34 35 30 63 2D 30 78 30
37 33 63 62 61 34 35 34 35 34 61 00 7E 00 00 00
DA 26 CF 2F 48 91 AE A3 3A 07 00 00 02 00 00 00
01 00 00 00 0C 45 45 BA 3C 07 00 00 F7 6F C6 32
4A 45 45 BA 3C 07 00 00 0B 70 C6 32 00 00 08 00
40 91 AE A3 3A 07 00 00 DA 26 CF 2F 0C 45 45 BA
3C 07 00 00 F7 6F C6 32 00 00 00 00 11 00 80 00
00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 02 00 00 00
00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 26 00 00 00
00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
00 00 00 00 96 35 6F 2C 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
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00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
59 A6 DF 57 0D 95 86 AD 3D 70 3B D3 4D 40 2E 10
32 7D 10 4A 08 8B B3 BC 32 89 14 C9 A5 35 4A 63
05 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00

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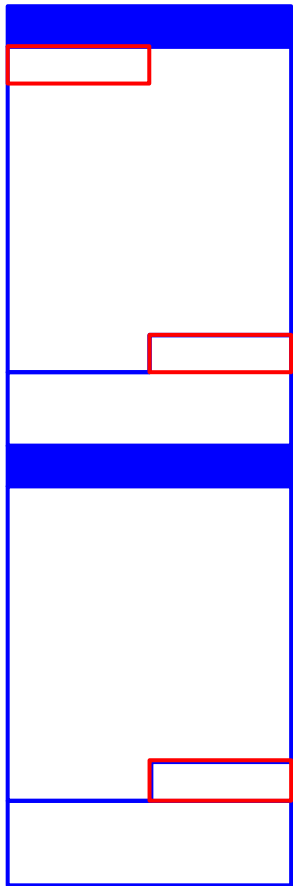
- DB version: **11.0.2.0**
- DB ID: **1127057749**
- DB name: **JURE**
- Activation ID: **1183693380**
- Description: **Thread 0001, Seq# 0000003941, SCN 0x073cba45450c-0x073cba45454a**
- Reset SCN: **7948435624256**
- Thread: **1**
- Low SCN: **7957404564822**
- Low epoch: **07/02/2014 15:58:04**
- Next SCN: **7957404564977**
- Next epoch: **07/02/2014 15:59:00**
- ...





Record

Structure

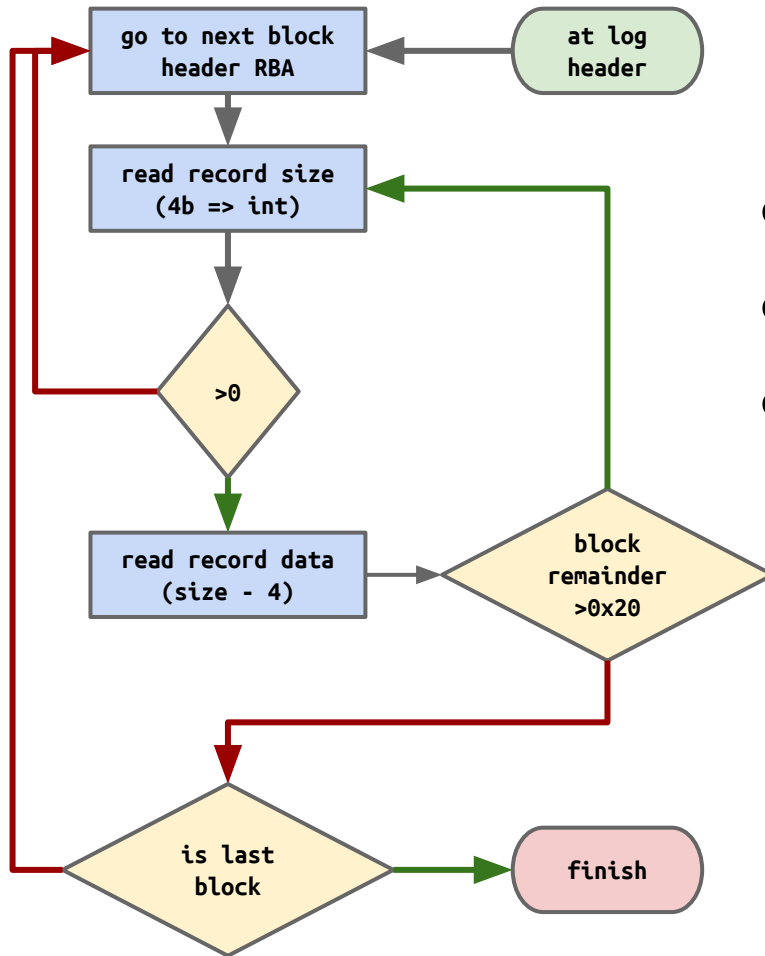


- Record size (4B)
- Record header (20B or 64B)
 - VLD byte
 - SCN
 - epoch (if VLD 4th bit set)
- Changes



Record

Chain



- Block header => first record RBA
- Record size 0 => last record in block
- Record header is never split



Chained record

```
0C 00 40 00 10 00 0C 00 0C 00 04 00 11 0D 45 BA
3C 07 00 00 0A 00 0E 00 F5 AB 07 00 7A 07 C0 00
03 24 03 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 70 38 FA 73
E8 2A 00 00 14 20 CF 77 02 01 01 00 0D 45 45 BA
3C 07 00 00 02 02 3C 07 09 45 45 BA 02 20 F5 00
20 00 00 00 02 00 00 00 F5 00 F6 00 05 C4 15 31
06 4D 05 C4 15 31 06 4E 00 81 FE 90 00 0A 00 81
FE 90 00 0B 06 00 06 00 B4 00 00 00 01 2E 3C 07
0E 45 45 BA 02 00 57 49 44 2C 31 30 5D 00 00 00
04 06 01 00 02 00 04 00 E6 4B 82 00 0D 45 45 BA
3C 07 23 00 01 00 82 10 06 00 10 00 01 00 45 BA
01 22 00 00 03 00 00 00 65 0F 00 00 8C 80 06 73
0E 45 45 BA 3C 07 00 00 0A 00 0E 00 F5 AB 07 00
02 07 00 00 04 06 01 00 02 00 04 00 DC A2 81 00
0D 45 45 BA 3C 07 00 00 01 00 81 10 06 00 10 00
01 00 00 00 0E 45 45 BA 3C 07 00 00 0A 00 0E 00
F5 AB 07 00 02 03 00 00 04 06 01 00 02 00 04 00
90 FE 81 00 0D 45 45 BA 3C 07 00 00 01 00 28 10
06 00 10 00 01 00 0E 00 0E 45 45 BA 3C 07 00 00
0A 00 0E 00 F5 AB 07 00 02 00 28 00 2C 00 00 00
01 00 3C 07 0E 45 45 BA 02 00 00 00 07 00 02 00
08 00 06 00 05 02 11 00 03 00 FF FF 80 00 C0 00
03 45 45 BA 3C 07 00 00 2C 00 00 00 01 00 3C 07
0E 45 45 BA 02 00 00 00 07 00 02 00 08 00 06 00
05 02 11 00 03 00 FF FF 80 00 C0 00 03 45 45 BA
3C 07 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
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```

RECORD CHAIN != ROW CHAIN

- Record with size 0xB4 spans across two blocks
- Block header only contains first block address
- Record size == 0 signals no more records in block





Change

Structure

- Fixed sized header (24B)
 - operation code
 - OBJECT_ID / DATA_OBJECT_ID
- Data part sizes
 - vector of short values
 - **aligned sizes (mind the gap)**
- Data parts
 - types and order **mostly** depend on operation code



**KEEP
CALM
AND
MIND THE
GAP**





Change meta

```

85 01 24 00 03 00 FF FF 02 03 C0 00 9E 46 45 BA
3C 07 A2 00 11 00 FF FF 0C 00 14 00 18 00 10 00
14 00 14 00 5C 00 D4 18 22 00 5D 3E 0A 00 04 00
1D AC 07 00 04 24 12 00 D4 11 04 00 D4 11 04 00
01 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 0B 01 04 11 00 00 1D AC
02 0D 3C 07 E8 FA E1 B5 02 03 C0 00 04 24 10 00
F7 64 86 00 D2 39 81 00 FA 12 23 01 01 00 00 00
06 00 00 3E 02 1C 00 00 01 00 00 00 01 00 00 00
00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 BB 02 01 00 02 00 04 00
F7 64 86 00 9E 46 45 BA 3C 07 00 00 06 00 04 11
5C 00 10 00 36 00 07 00 02 00 08 00 06 00 0D 00
06 00 08 00 01 00 07 00 0B 00 04 00 00 00 00 00
03 00 07 00 0E 00 0D 00 00 00 02 00 02 00 02 00
02 00 01 00 01 00 02 00 02 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
00 00 00 00 00 00 04 00 01 00 00 00 00 00 82 00
2B 00 00 00 0C 00 00 00 00 00 02 00 02 0D 00 00
00 00 00 00 02 03 C0 00 04 24 12 00 F7 64 86 00
D2 39 81 00 FA 12 02 01 01 00 00 00 2C 01 2B 00
FF 7F 00 00 00 DB E2 33 F7 64 86 00 05 00 5D 3E
FF 7F 00 00 6A 01 06 00 00 00 18 02 FC 4C 03 00
00 00 43 48 78 72 03 18 0F 20 04 2C C1 02 4F 22
00 00 00 00 6F FC 72 D0 C5 08 2E 57 46 1D 52 2C
34 6B 31 7A 33 61 68 71 37 61 31 70 68 52 45 33
C5 02 5F 40 13 42 45 52 00 00 00 00 78 B8 43 F8
80 2E 52 4F 78 72 07 02 0E 12 0E 49 46 49 58 45
44 20 54 41 42 4C 45 22 46 55 4C 4C 53 59 53 4E
58 24 4B 5A 53 50 52 32 58 24 4B 5A 53 50 52 40
53 45 4C 24 37 33 5B 4E 54 41 42 4C 45 20 28 46
01 22 00 00 8C 04 00 00 66 0F 00 00 00 81 62 5E
49 58 45 44 29 22 2E 22 C1 4A 41 52 C1 04 22 5B
C1 05 4D 42 C1 1C 2C 32 80 5D 2C 20 . . .

```

- UNDO change (5.1 - DRP - delete)
- REDO change (11.2 - IRP - insert)
- Object ID 0x00041104
- Object DATA ID 0x00041104
- 45 data parts $((5C / 2) - 1)$





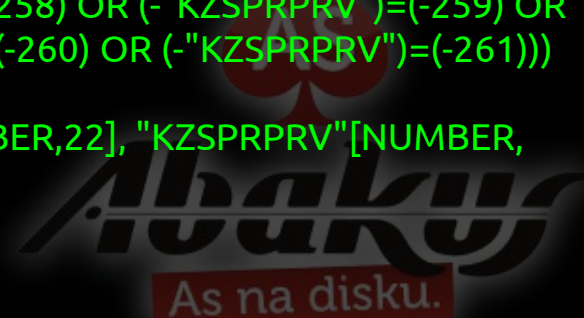
Change data

```

5C 00 10 00 36 00 07 00 02 00 08 00 06 00 0D 00
06 00 08 00 01 00 07 00 0B 00 04 00 00 00 00 00
03 00 07 00 0E 00 0D 00 00 00 02 00 02 00 02 00
02 00 01 00 01 00 02 00 02 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
00 00 00 00 00 00 04 00 01 00 00 00 00 00 82 00
2B 00 00 00 0C 00 00 00 00 00 02 00 02 0D 00 00
00 00 00 00 02 03 C0 00 04 24 12 00 F7 64 86 00
D2 39 81 00 FA 12 02 01 01 00 00 00 2C 01 2B 00
FF 7F 00 00 00 DB E2 33 F7 64 86 00 05 00 5D 3E
FF 7F 00 00 6A 01 06 00 00 00 18 02 FC 4C 03 00
00 00 43 48 78 72 03 18 0E 20 04 2C C1 02 4F 22
00 00 00 00 6F FC 72 00 C5 08 2E 57 46 10 52 2C
34 6B 31 7A 33 61 68 71 37 61 31 70 68 52 45 33
C5 02 5F 40 13 42 45 52 00 00 00 00 78 88 43 F8
80 2E 52 4F 78 72 07 02 0E 12 0E 49 46 49 58 45
44 20 54 41 42 4C 45 22 46 55 4C 4C 53 59 53 4E
58 24 4B 5A 53 50 52 32 58 24 4B 5A 53 50 52 40
53 45 4C 24 37 33 5B 4E 54 41 42 4C 45 20 28 46
49 58 45 44 28 22 2E 22 C1 4A 41 52 C1 04 22 5B
C1 05 4D 42 C1 10 2C 32 80 5D 2C 20 80 55 22 2E
C1 02 50 41 C1 18 32 22 C3 27 04 5F 80 45 52 2C
28 22 49 4E 53 54 5F 49 44 22 30 55 53 45 52 45
4E 56 28 27 49 4E 53 54 41 4E 43 45 27 29 20 41
4E 44 20 28 20 2D 22 4B 5A 53 50 52 50 52 56 22
29 3D 28 2D 32 35 38 29 20 4F 52 20 28 2D 22 4B
5A 53 50 52 50 52 56 22 29 3D 28 2D 32 35 39 29
20 4F 52 20 28 2D 22 4B 5A 53 50 52 50 52 56 22
29 3D 28 2D 32 36 30 29 20 4F 52 20 28 2D 22 4B
5A 53 50 52 50 52 56 22 29 3D 28 2D 32 36 31 29
29 29 45 BA 22 49 4E 53 54 5F 49 44 22 5B 4E 55
4D 42 45 52 2C 32 32 5D 2C 20 22 4B 5A 53 50 52
50 52 56 22 5B 4E 55 4D 42 45 52 2C ...

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- 24.3.2014 14:31:03
- 1
- ?? (probably RAW)
- 745866928
- 4k1z3ahq7a1ph
- 194631865
- ?? (probably RAW)
- NULL
- 2.7.2014 13:17:13
- FIXED TABLE
- FULL
- SYS
- X\$KZSPR
- X\$KZSPR@SEL\$73
- ("INST_ID"=USERENV('INSTANCE') AND ((- "KZSPRPRV")=(-258) OR (-"KZSPRPRV")=(-259) OR (-"KZSPRPRV")=(-260) OR (-"KZSPRPRV")=(-261)))
- "INST_ID"[NUMBER,22], "KZSPRPRV"[NUMBER, 22]
- TABLE (FIXED)
- 65
- 3
- 4
- 27
- NULL
- NULL
- 1
- 26
- 380394
- NULL





What to look for?

Data operations:

- 11.2 - INSERT
- 11.3 - DELETE
- 11.5 - UPDATE
- 11.11 - MULTI-INSERT
- 11.12 - MULTI-DELETE
- 11.6 - OVERWRITE
- 5.1 - UNDO
- 19.1 - DIRECT LOADER

Transaction operations:

- 5.2 - HEADER
- 5.4 - COMMIT/ROLLBACK
- 5.6 - ROLLBACK TO SAVEPOINT
- 5.19 - SESSION BEGIN
- 5.20 - SESSION SWITCH





What about the details?

some light eading

- **David Litchfield - Dissecting the Redo Logs**
http://www.davidlitchfield.com/oracle_forensics_part_1_dissecting_the_redo_logs.pdf
- **Redo Internals - Julian Dyke**
<http://www.juliandyke.com/Presentations/RedoInternals.ppt>
- **Zizzy**
<http://sourceforge.net/projects/zizzy/>





Time for tooling ...

KEEP
CALM
AND
THINK
WWMD

A red poster with a white crown at the top and the text 'KEEP CALM AND THINK WWMD' in white, bold, sans-serif font.

- The Good
 - A good HEX editor
- The bad
 - Spreadsheet app (Calc, Excel)
- ~~The ugly~~
 - Pen & paper (and some Xanax)

DO NOT GO THERE!





... or better yet:

**MAKE YOUR OWN
TOOLS!!!**





Security observations

- Data **CAN** be read from redo logs
you have to guess data types if you don't know the table columns
- Data **CAN** be modified in redo logs
you are limited to current data lengths or you have to shift records
you must update CRC
- DDL is in **clear text**

long story short ... just keep the log files safe

```
-rw-r----- 1 oracle dba 10485100 jan 01 00:00 1_23456_789012345.arch
```





Optimisation observations

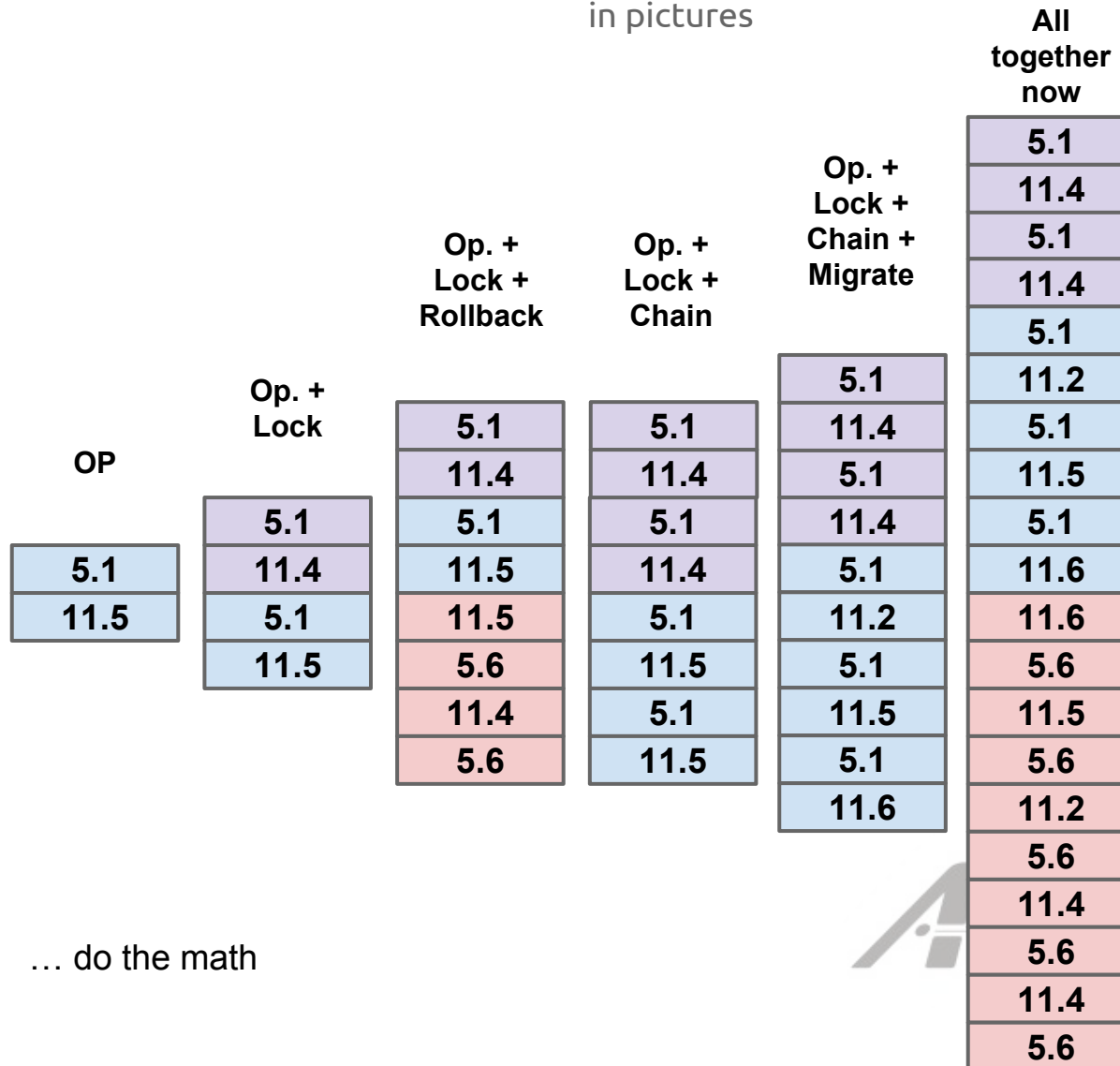
- Try to avoid row chaining
 - multiplies data change count by $\text{mod}(\text{cols}, 255)$ **OR MORE**
 - if you use tables with >255 columns **TRY HARDER**
- Try to avoid ROLLBACK TO SAVEPOINT
 - do not use it for flow control logic





Optimisation observations

in pictures





Questions?!

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AND

**MAY THE FORCE
BE WITH YOU**

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