



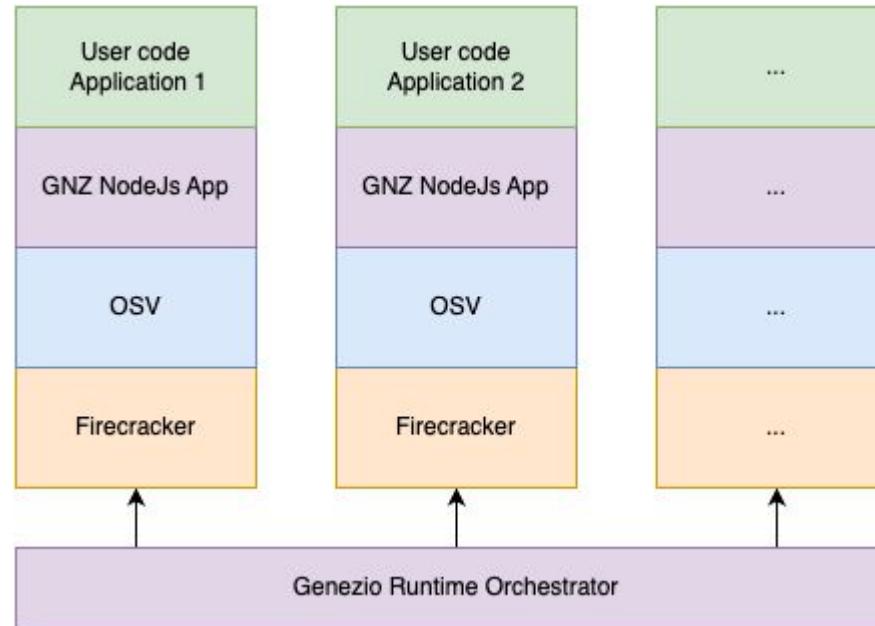
Run Node.js in a unikernel reliably

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Our Vision

- Optimize resource allocation and cost
- Fast response times for calls
- Easy-to-use, secure, auto-scaling cloud platform

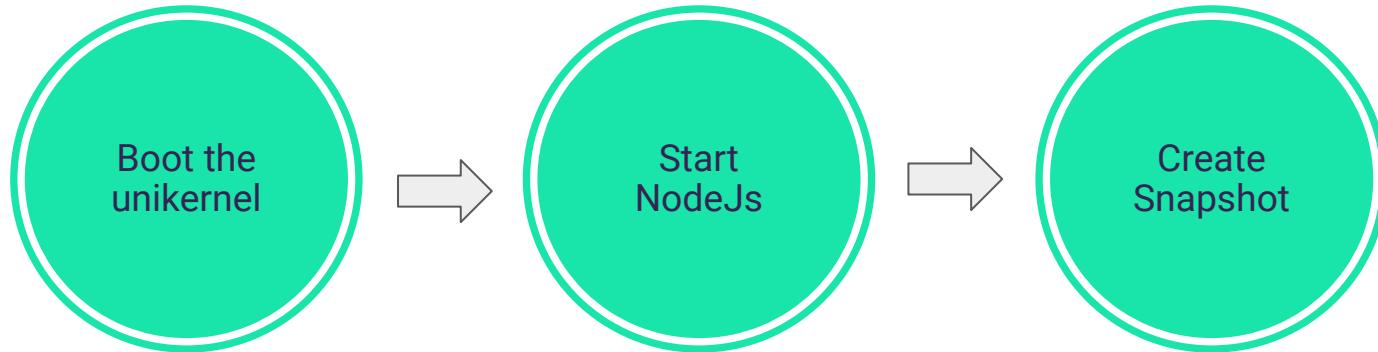
Genezio Runtime FaaS Architecture



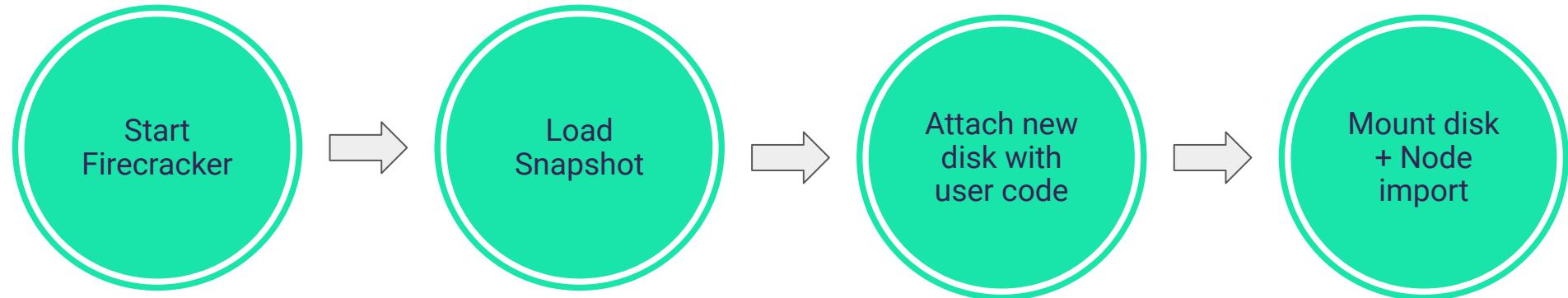
Challenges

1. Reduce cold starts
2. Upgrade unikernel image without redeploying user code
3. Security and process isolation

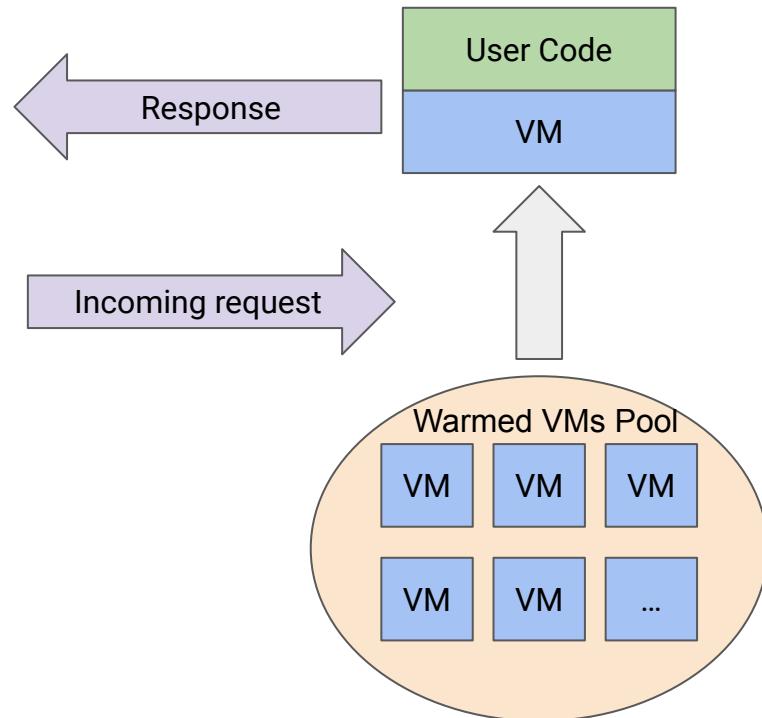
Reduce cold starts (1) - Create snapshots



Reduce cold starts (2) - Spawn a new VM



Reduce cold starts (3) - Warmed VMs Pool



Upgrade unikernel image

- User code is mounted as a separate filesystem
- Enable OSv/unikernel upgrades without rebuilding each user image

Security and Isolation

- Use Firecracker Jailer to run each process sandboxed
 - Separate network namespace
 - Separate filesystem (chroot)
 - Separate PID namespace
- Limit resources for VMs (CPU time, I/O throughput)

Contributions - Fixed bugs

- NodeJS/V8 compiler uses `popf` instruction and it incorrectly disables the interrupts when running in privileged mode
- Fix `rofs` cache bug that was preventing multiple `rofs` in the same OSv instance
- `pthread_rwlock_tryrdlock` and `pthread_rwlock_trywrlock` not POSIX-compliant resulting in a deadlock

Round-Trip Time Benchmark

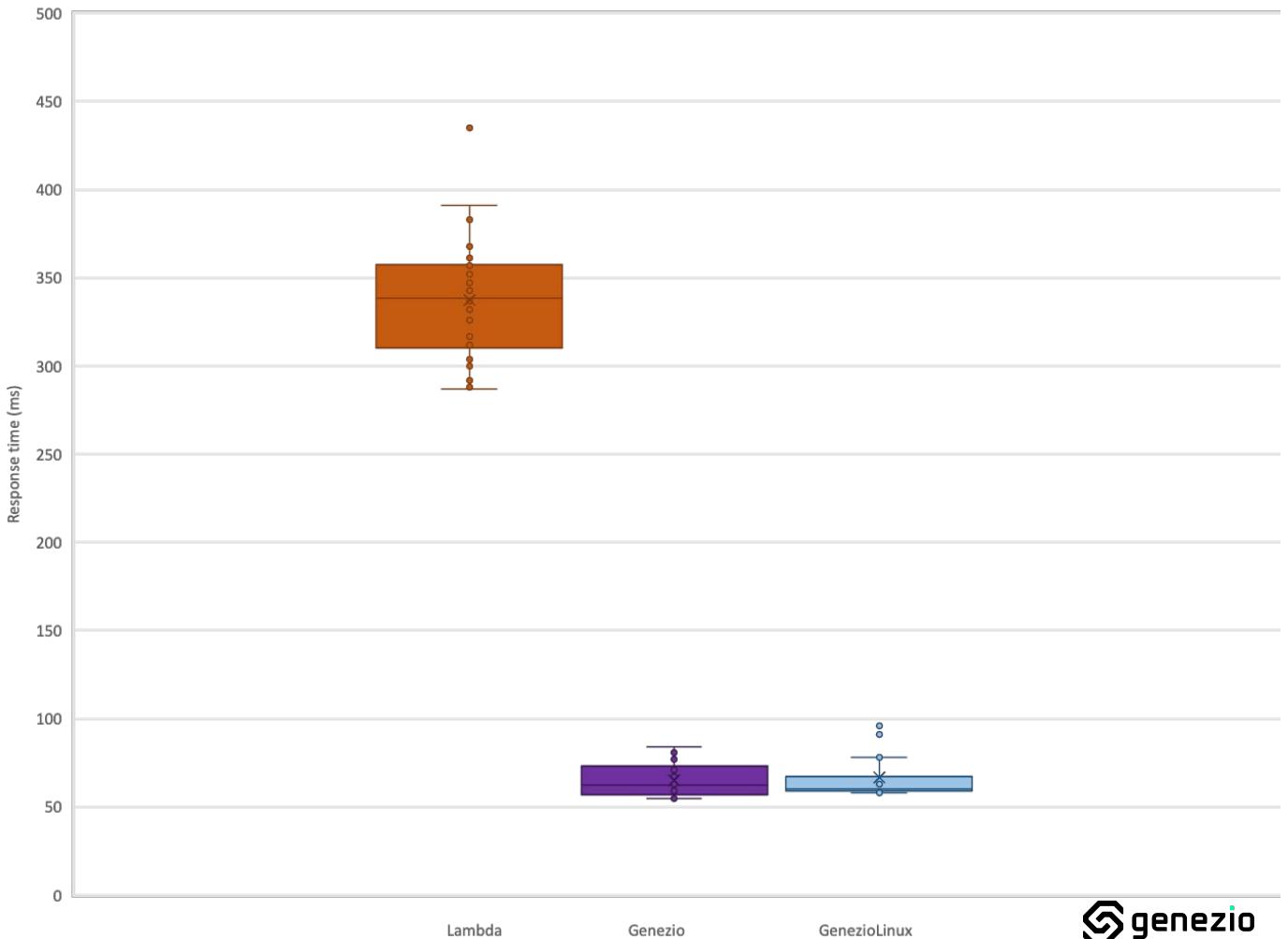
Benchmark Setup

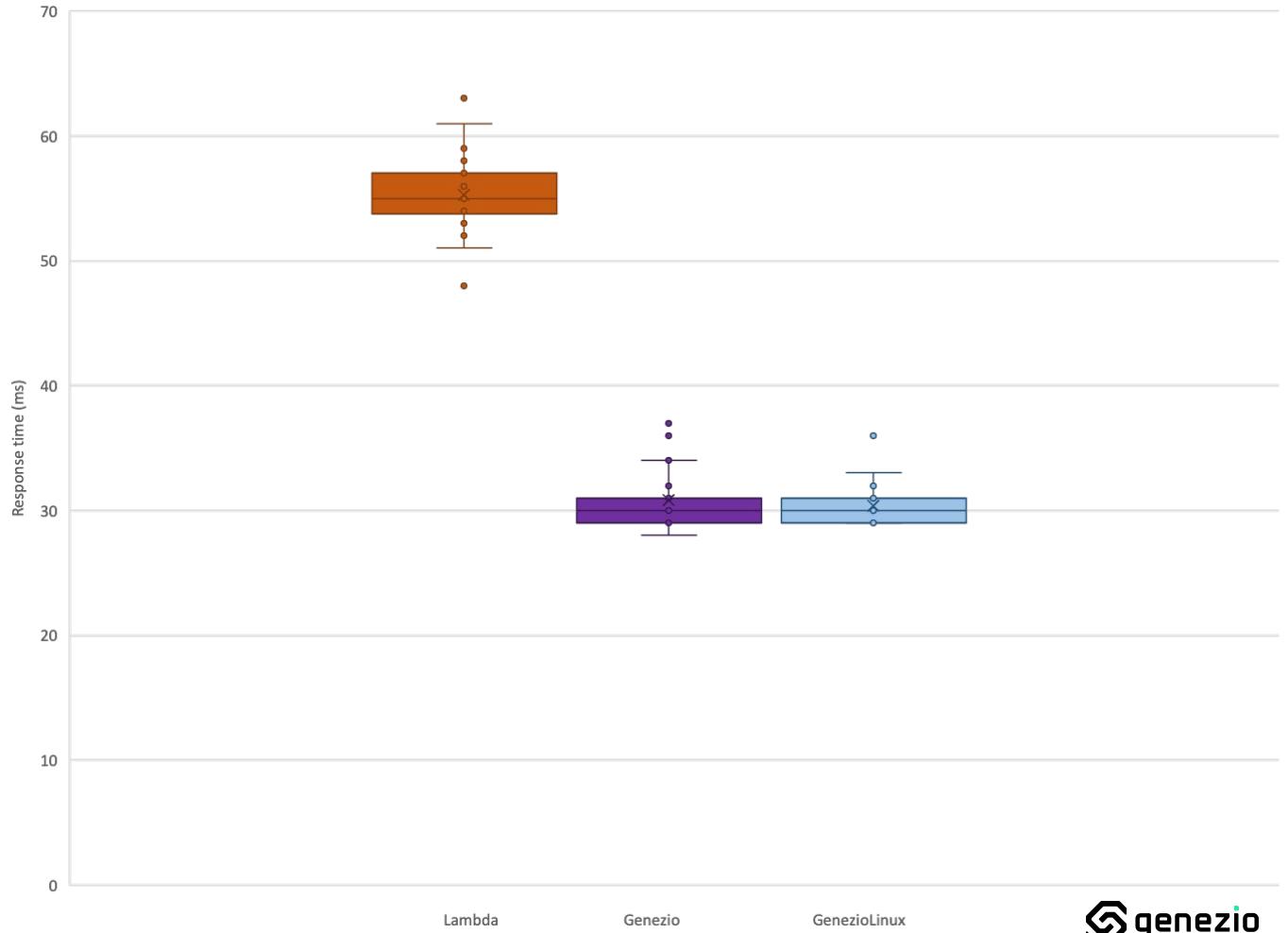
- AWS Lambda
- (Genezio) OSv
- (Genezio) Linux



Hello World Example

```
export class HelloWorldService {  
  helloWorld(): string {  
    console.log("Hello world - request received!")  
    return "Hello world!";  
  }  
}
```





Next Steps

- Deploy using more unikernels - currently we tested only with OSv
- Add support for more programming languages

Let's stay in touch



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Resources

- [1] <https://github.com/cloudius-systems/osv/pulls?q=author%3Avalighita>
- [2] <https://github.com/genez-io>