LSM-Trees &
its **Read Optimizations**

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Log-**S**tructured **M**erge-tree

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The Log-Structured Merge-Tree (LSM-Tree)

1996

Patrick O'Neil[1], Edward Cheng[2]
Dieter Gawlick[3], Elizabeth O'Neil[1]
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LSM-tree

O’Neil *et al.*

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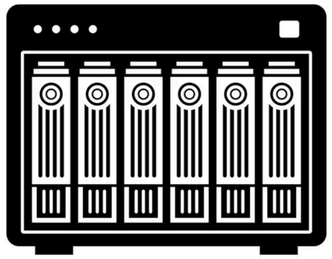
- good random writes
- good reads



array
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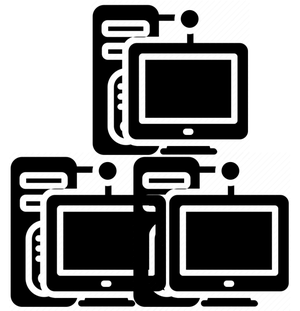
SSD wear-friendly

competitive rand. reads

fast ingestion

- poor ingestion perf.
- poor query perf.



commodity
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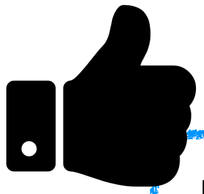

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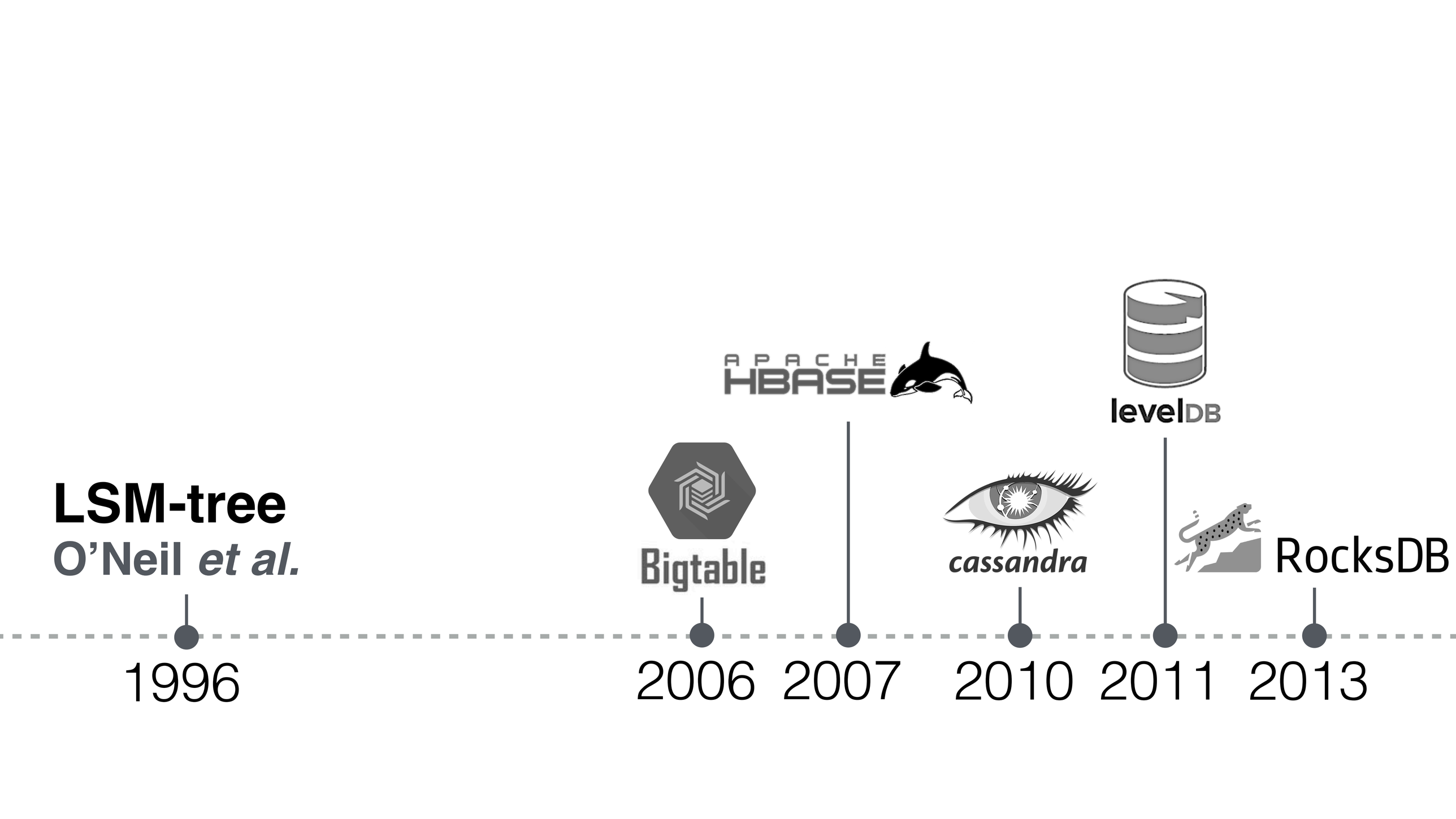
Bigtable

1980s

1996

2006

a decade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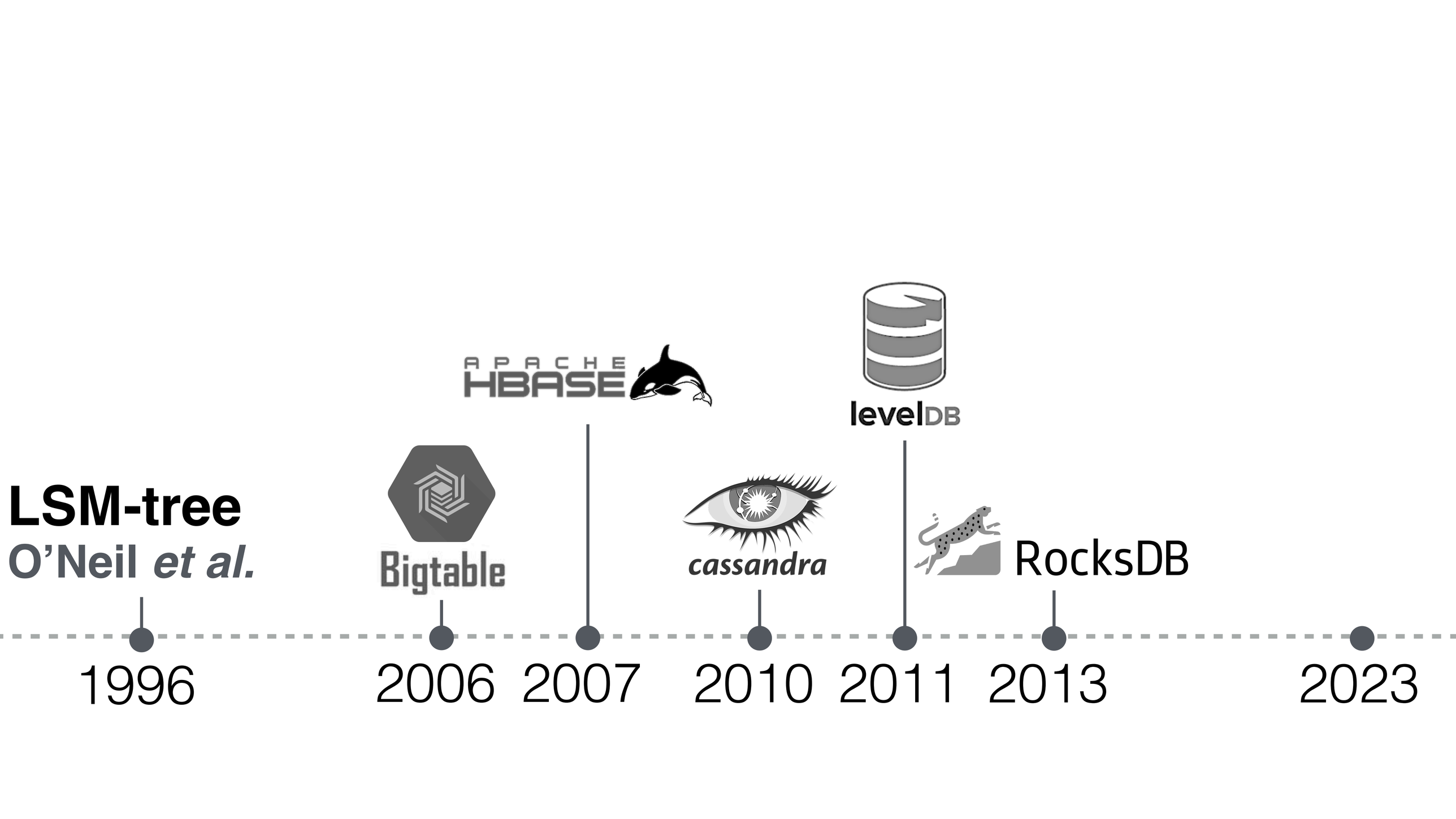
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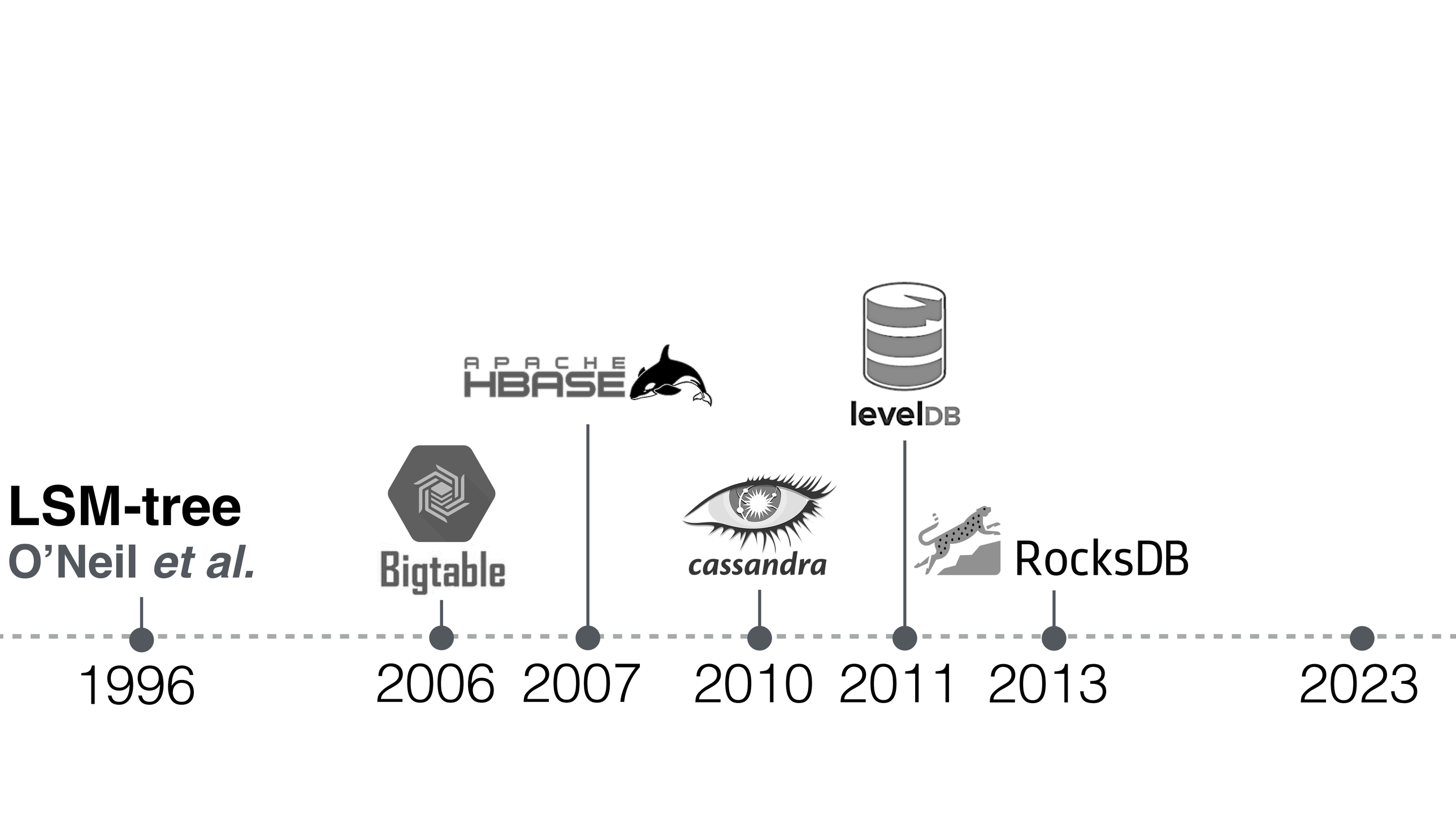
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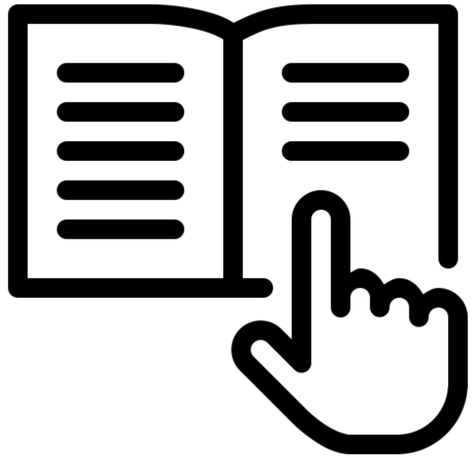

competitive reads

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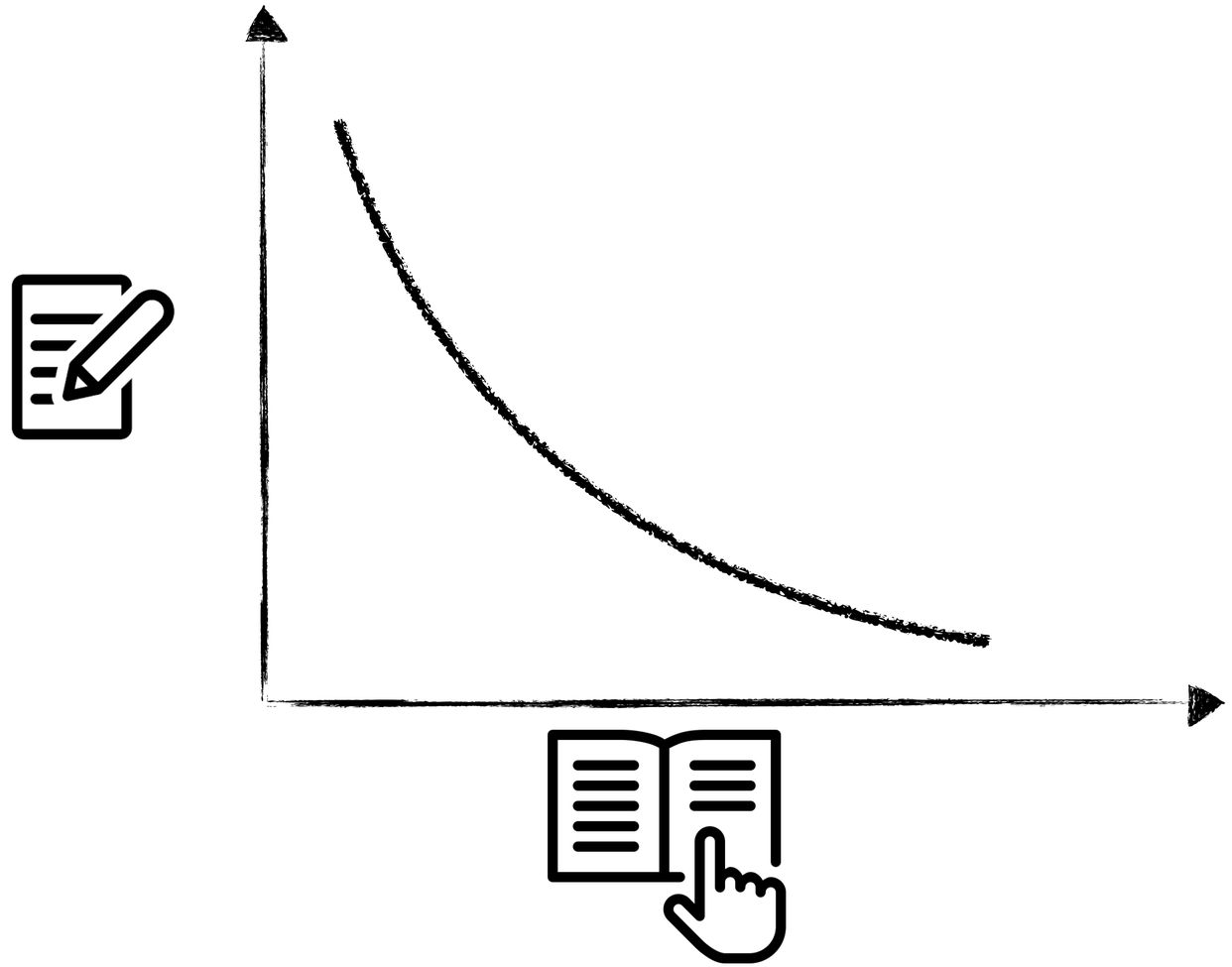

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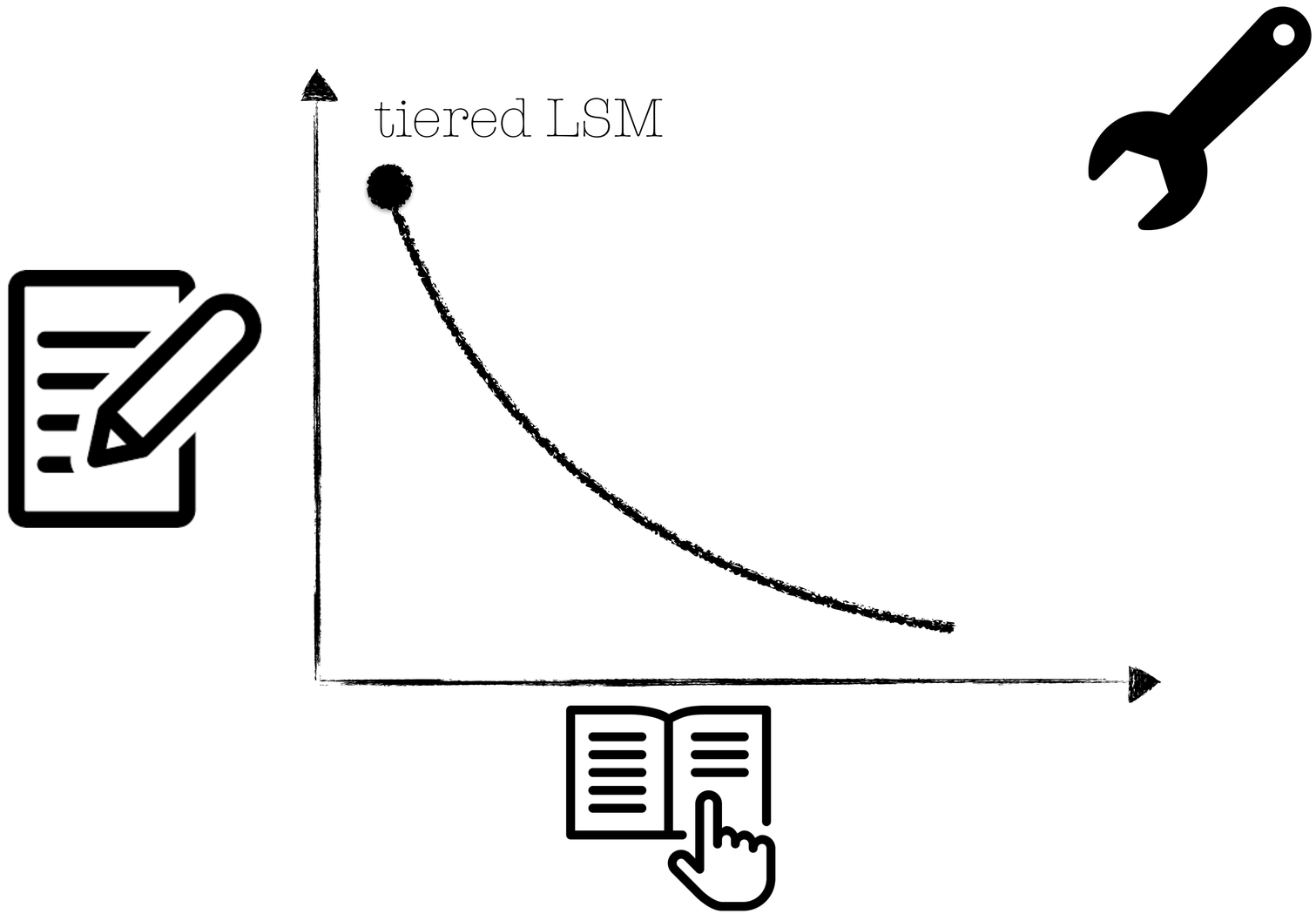

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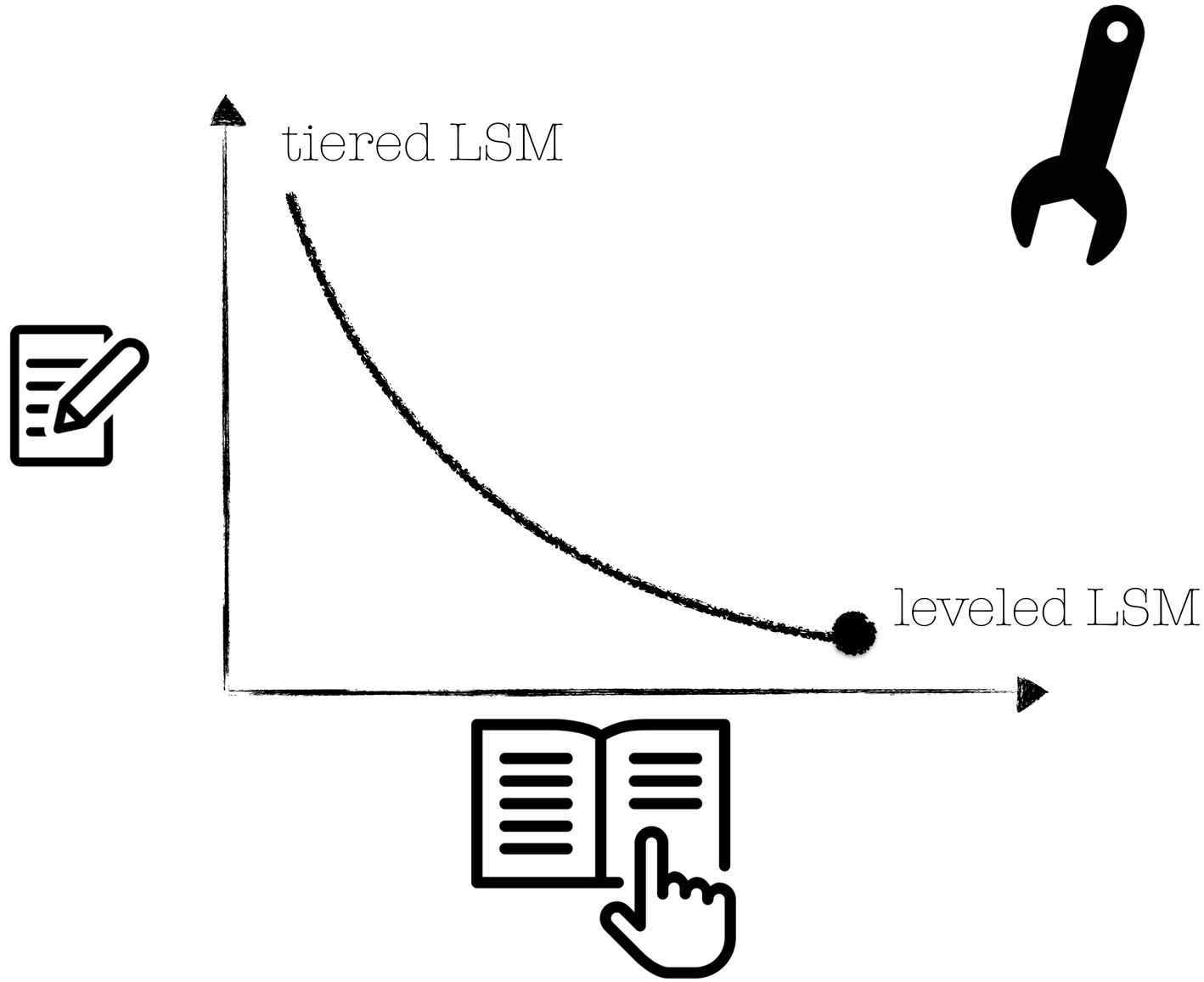

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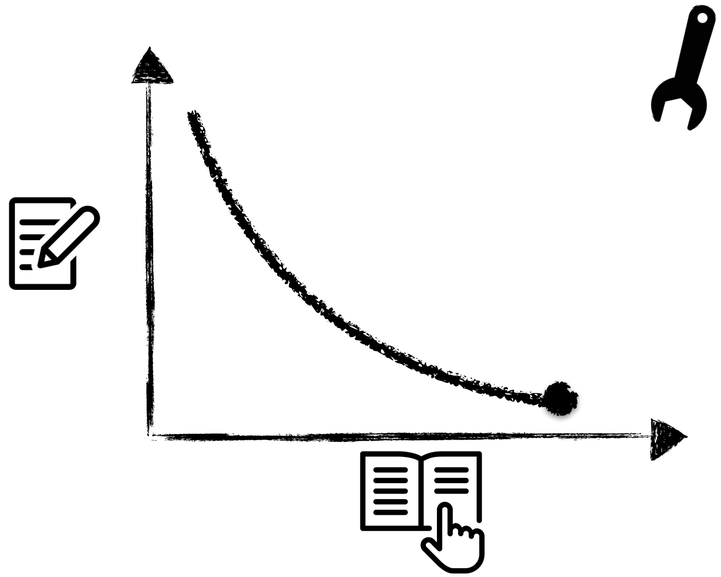

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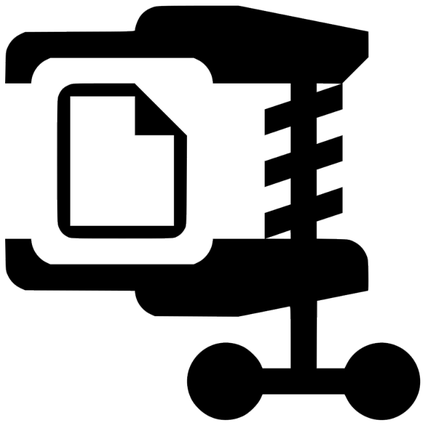
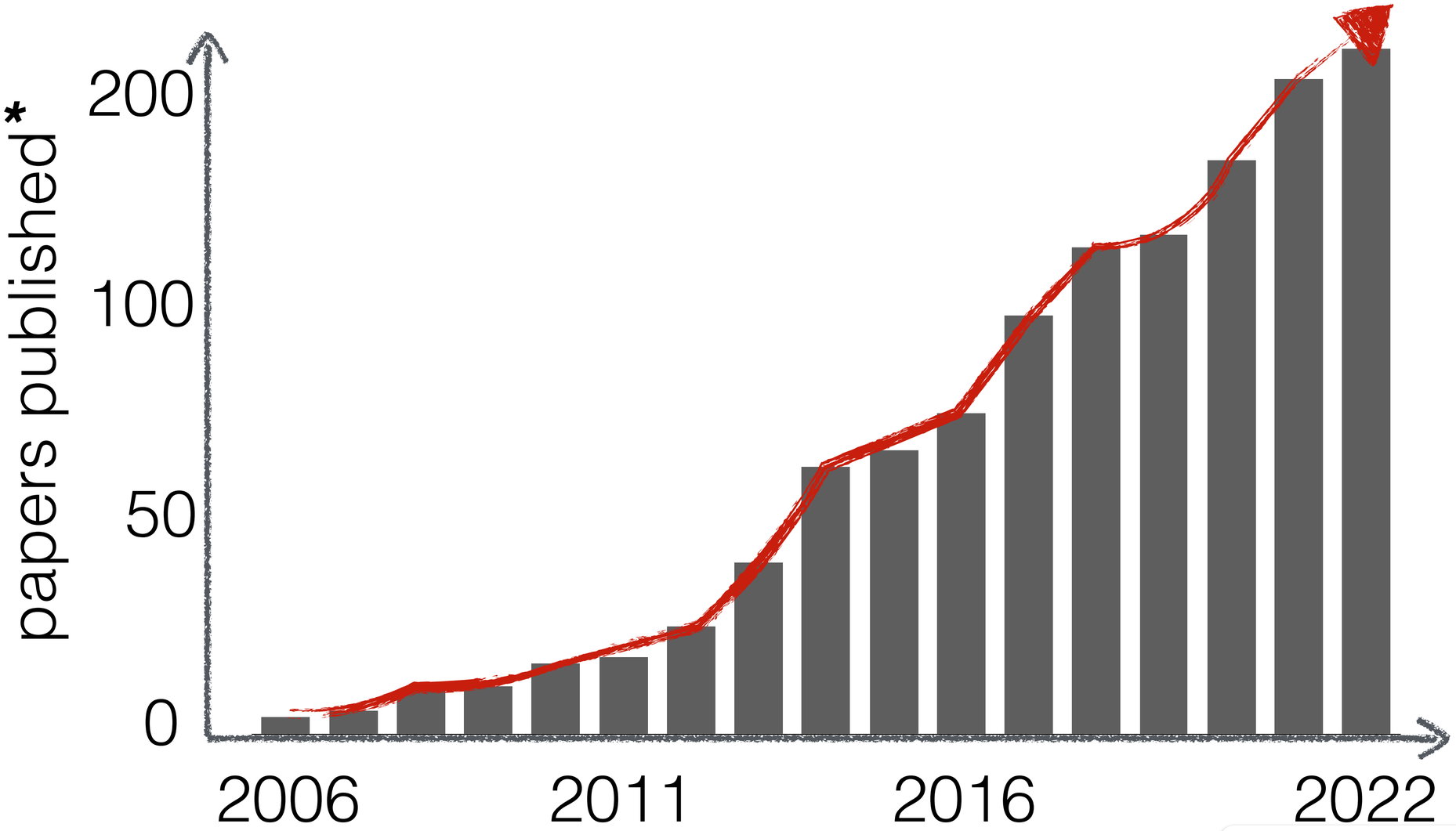


good space utilization

Research Trend



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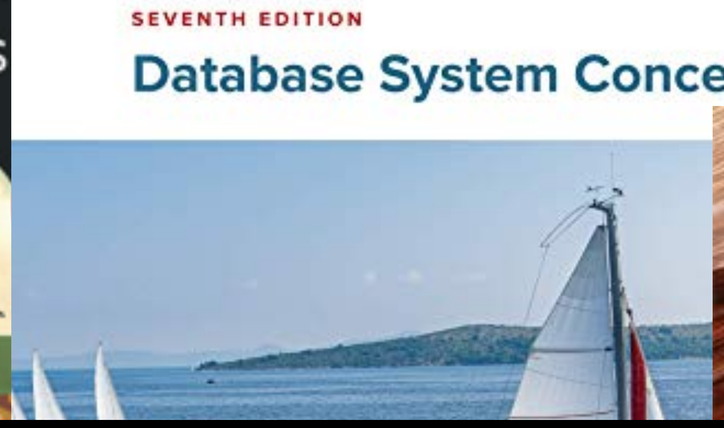

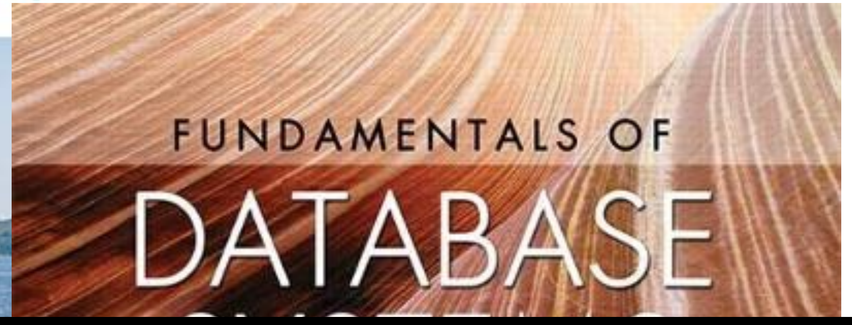

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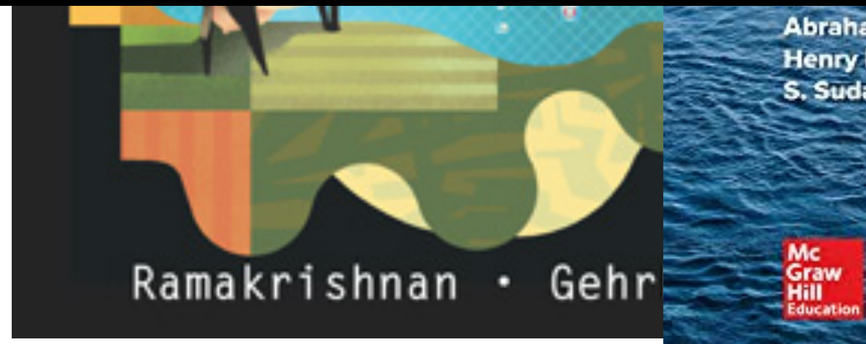

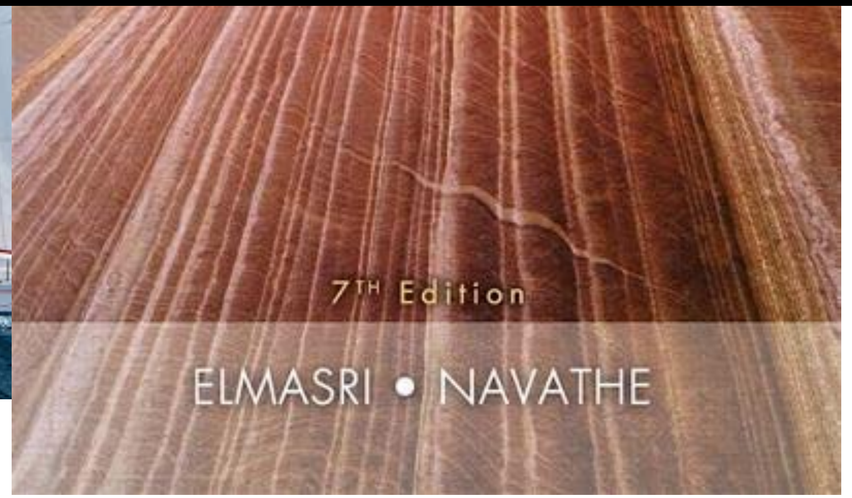

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explore the LSM paradigm

understand the **read optimizations**

provide useful **insights**

Outline

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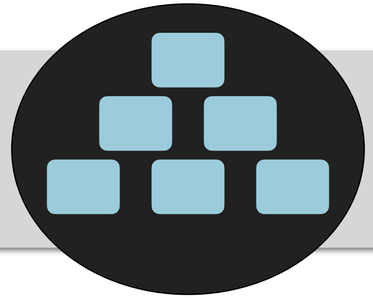

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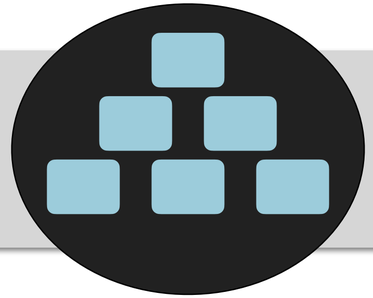

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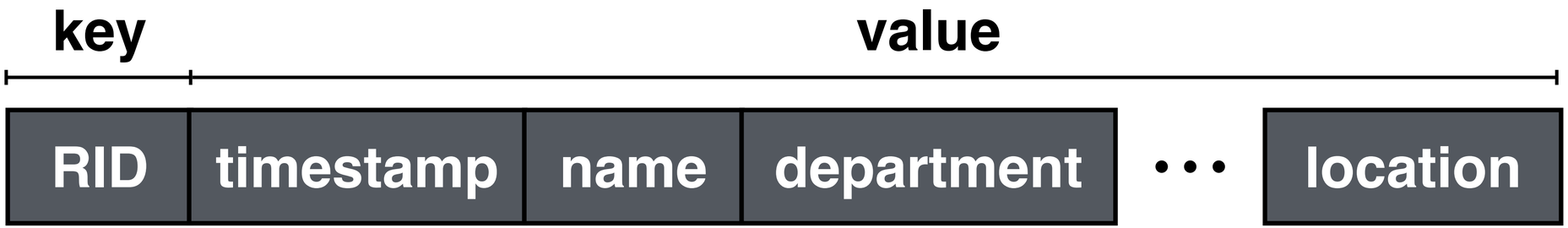
key-value pairs



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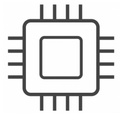

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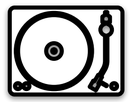

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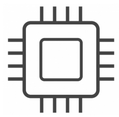

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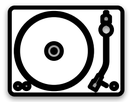

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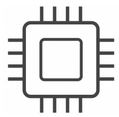

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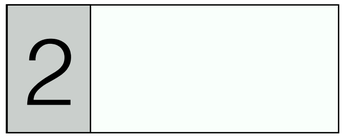

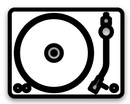

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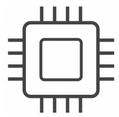

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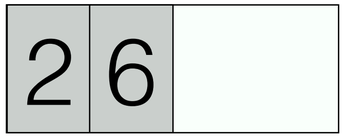

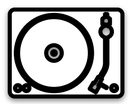

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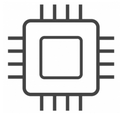

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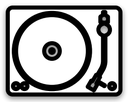

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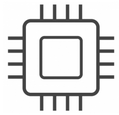

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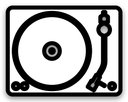

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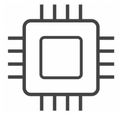

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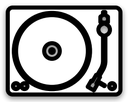

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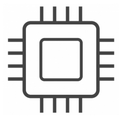

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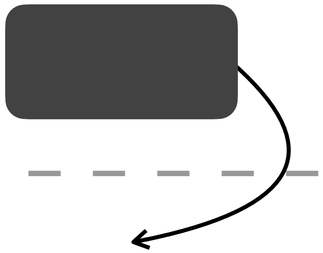

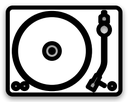

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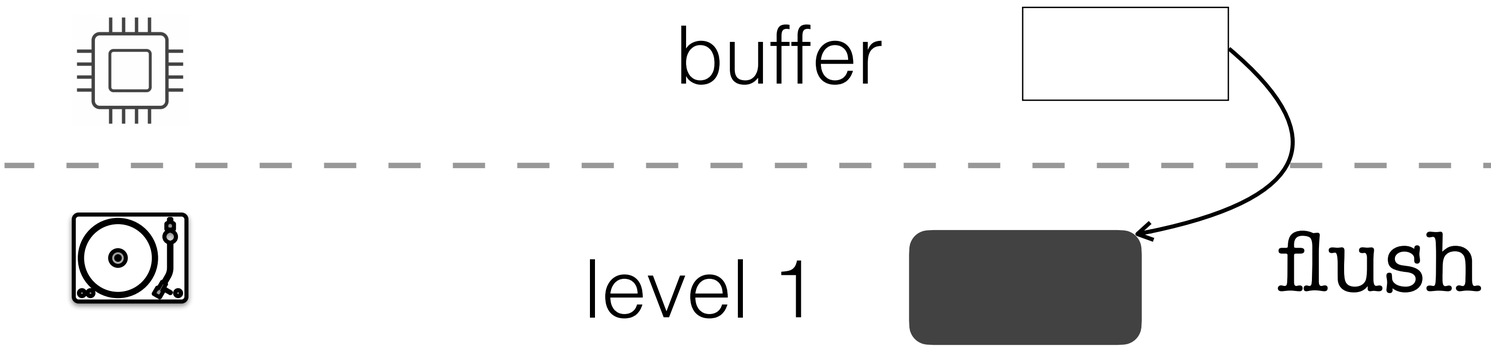
- low ingestion cost
- fast temporal reads



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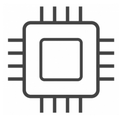

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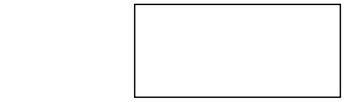

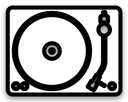

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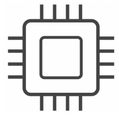

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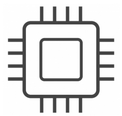

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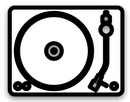

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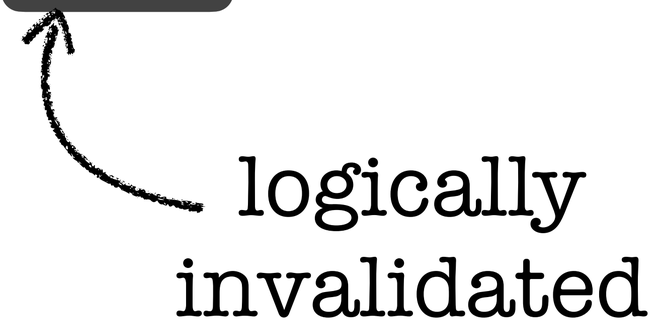

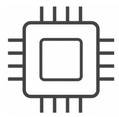

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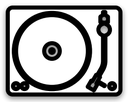

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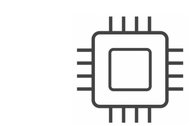
Out-of-place updates

- fast ingestion
- space amplification
- slow reads



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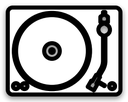

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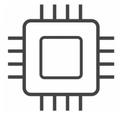

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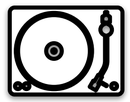

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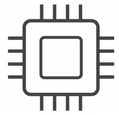

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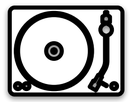

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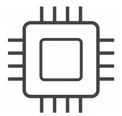

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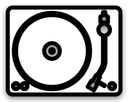

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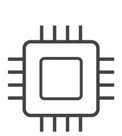

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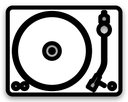

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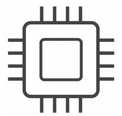

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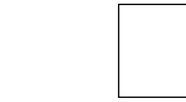

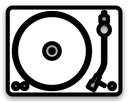

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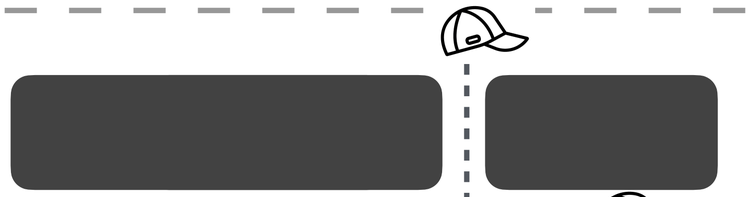

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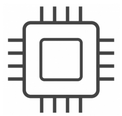

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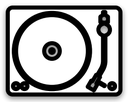

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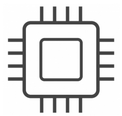

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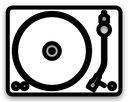

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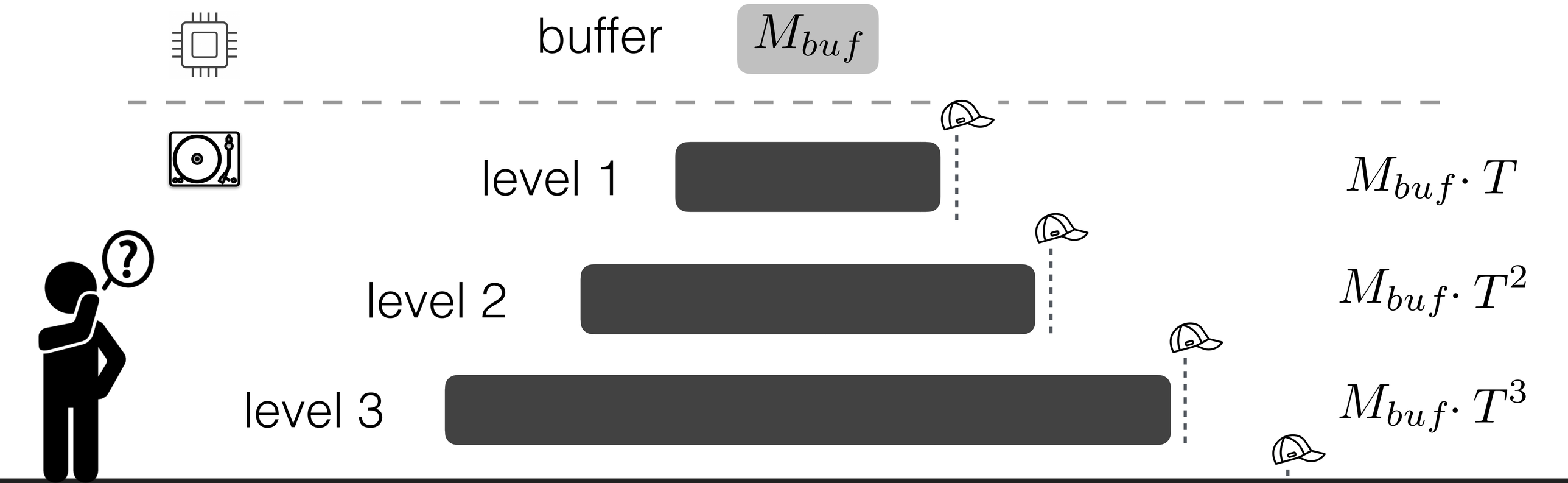
level 4

M_{buf}: buffer memory

T: size ratio

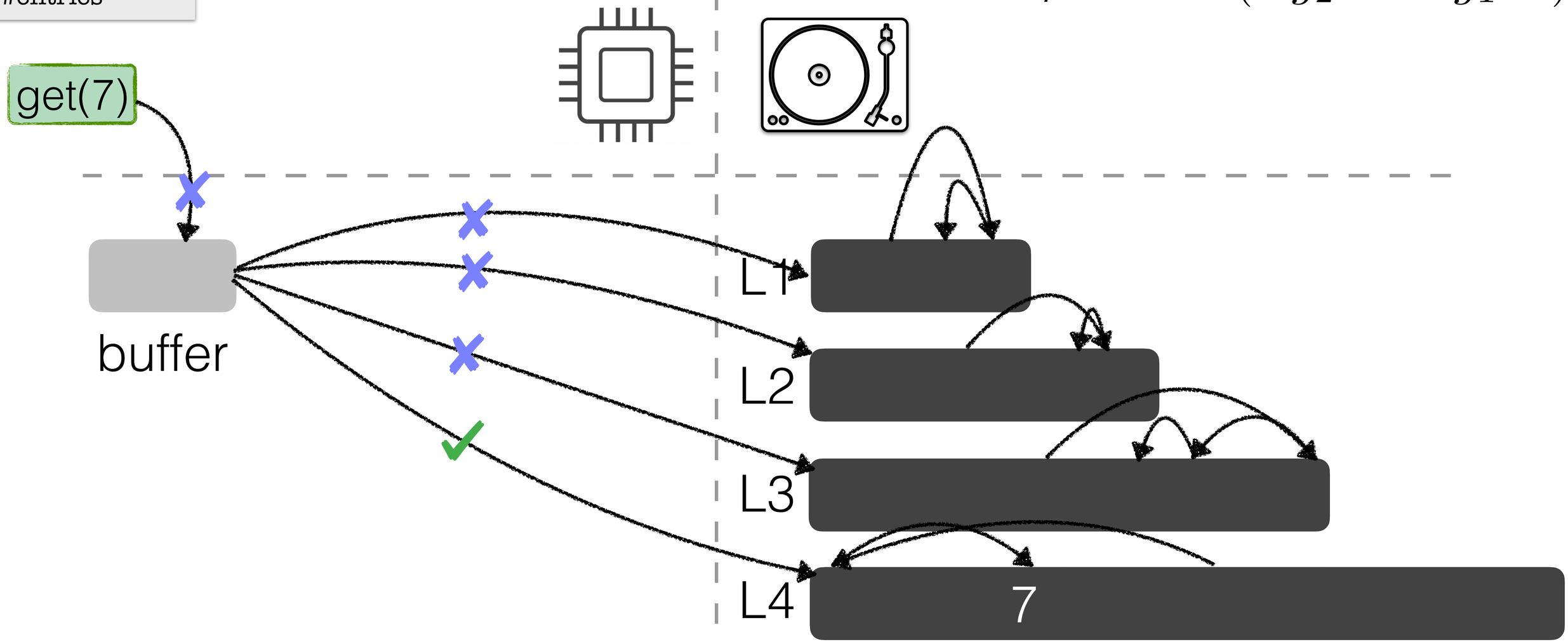


How about queries?

P: pages in buffer
B: entries/page
L: #levels
T: size ratio
N: #entries

Cost analysis

w/o F&I: $\mathcal{O}(log_2 N \cdot log_T N)$



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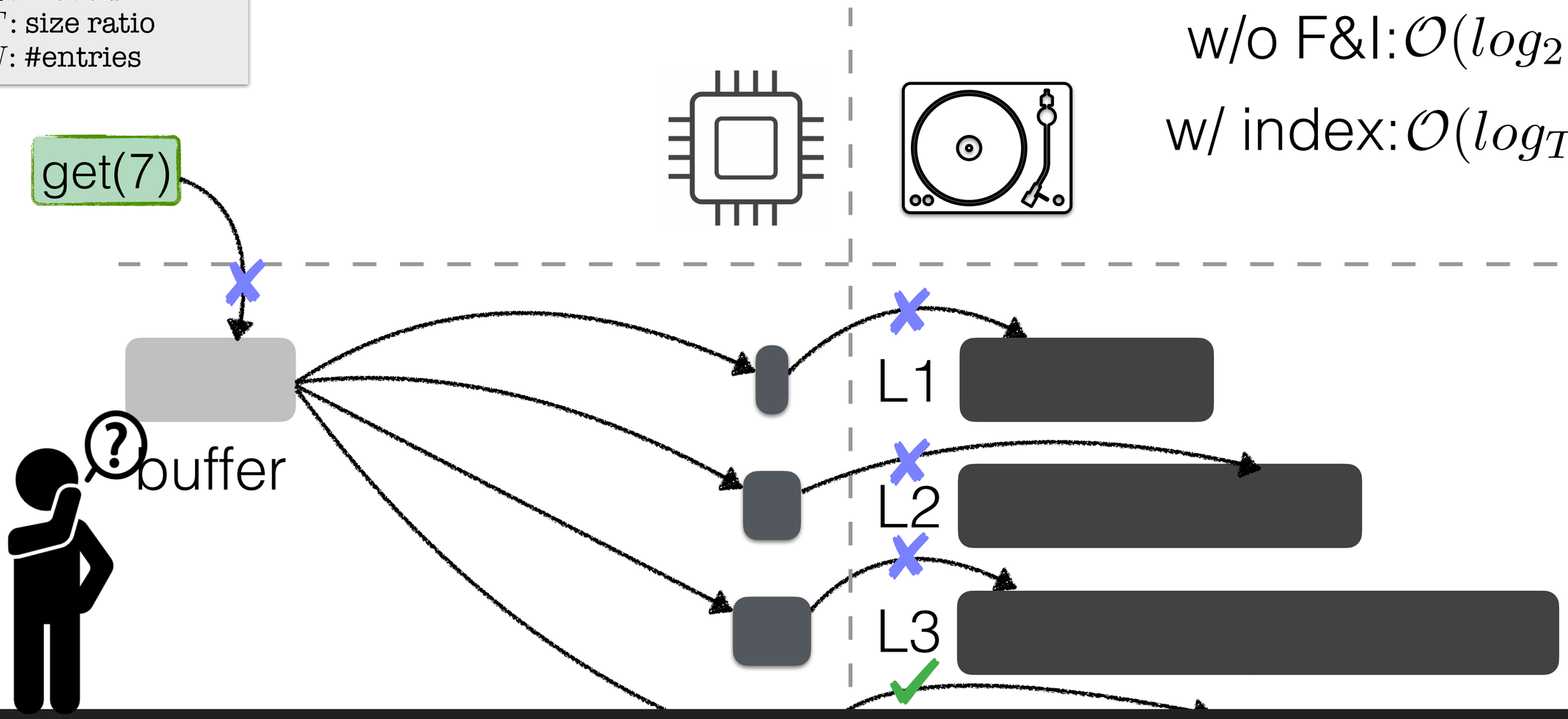
w/ index: $\mathcal{O}(log_T N)$



Can we do better?

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N: #entries
ϕ : FPR of BF

Cost analysis

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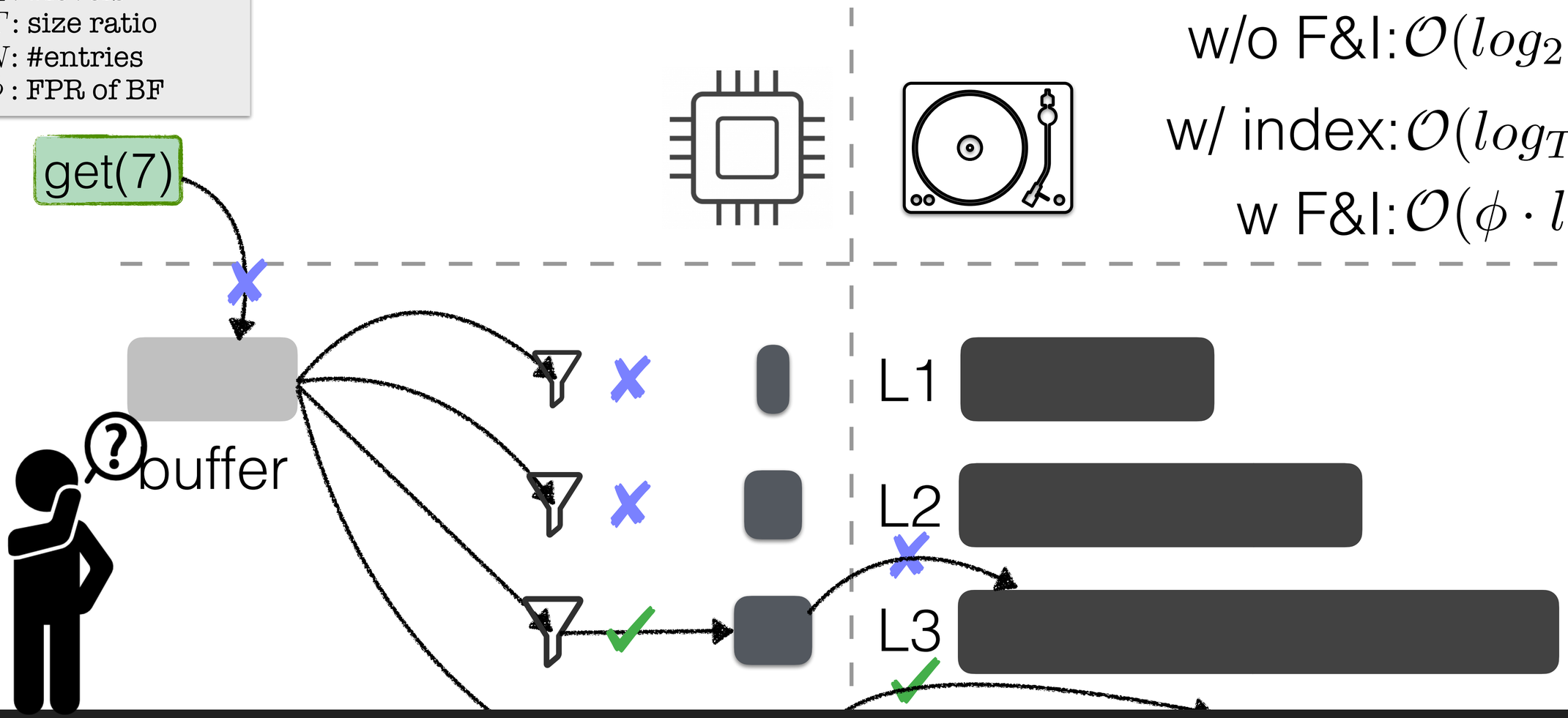
w/ index: $\mathcal{O}(log_T N)$

w F&I: $\mathcal{O}(\phi \cdot log_T N)$



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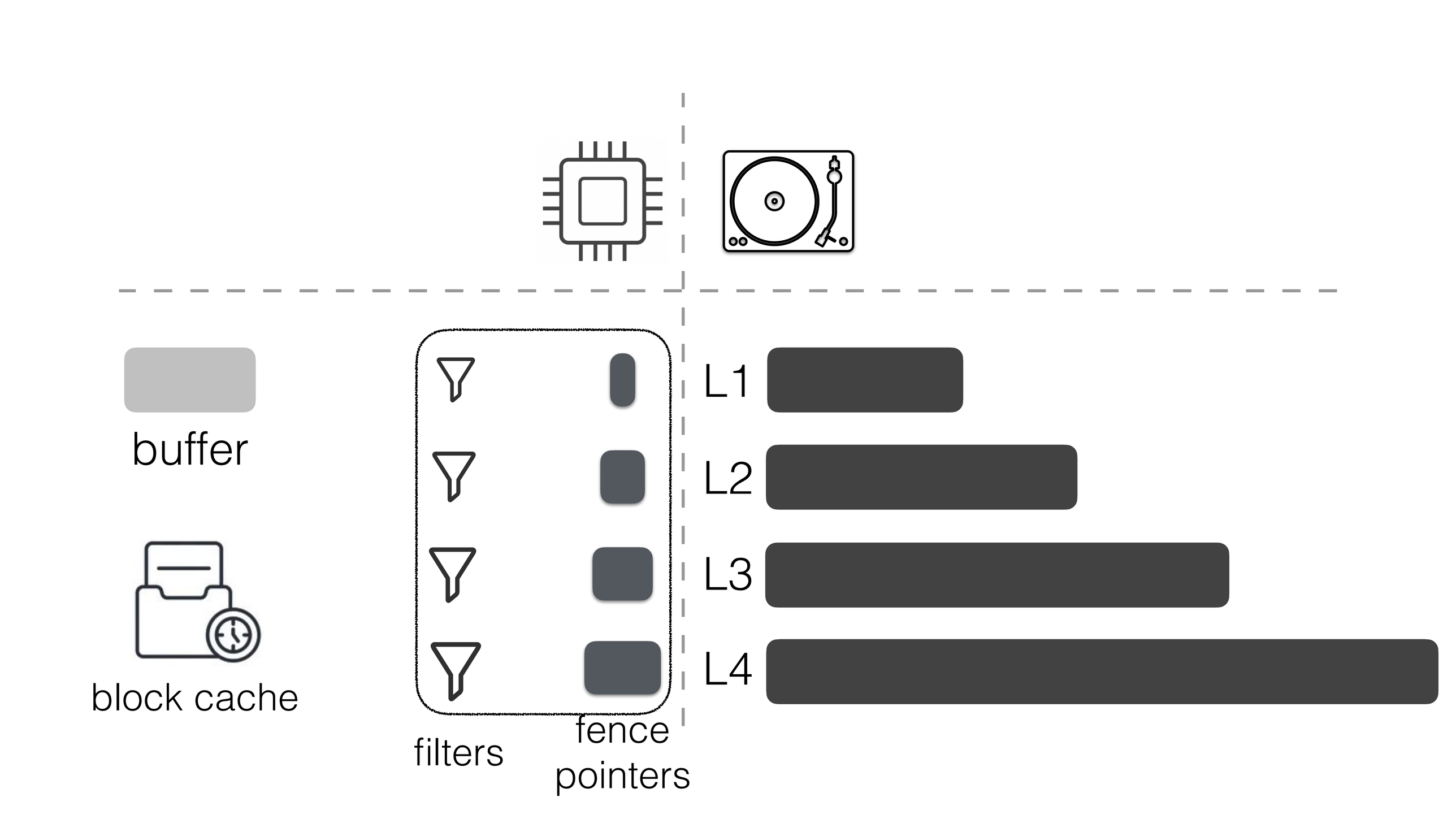
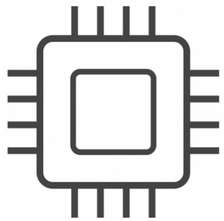
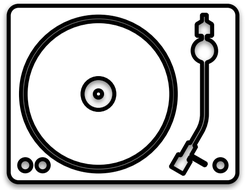

buffer
block cache
filters
fence
pointers
L1
L2
L3
L4

Block Cache





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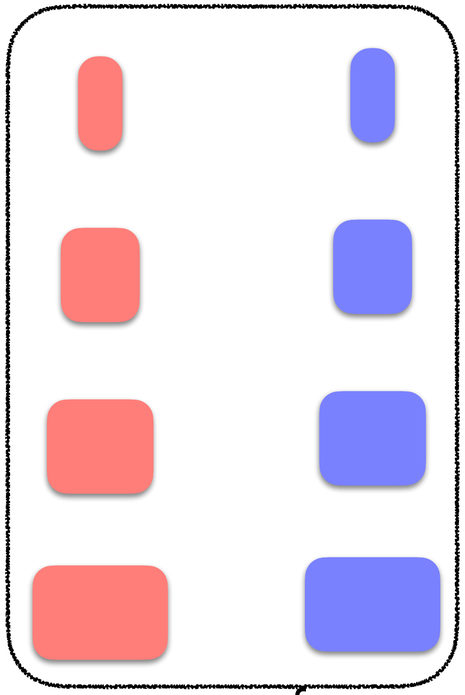

filters

fence pointers

L1

L2

L3

L4

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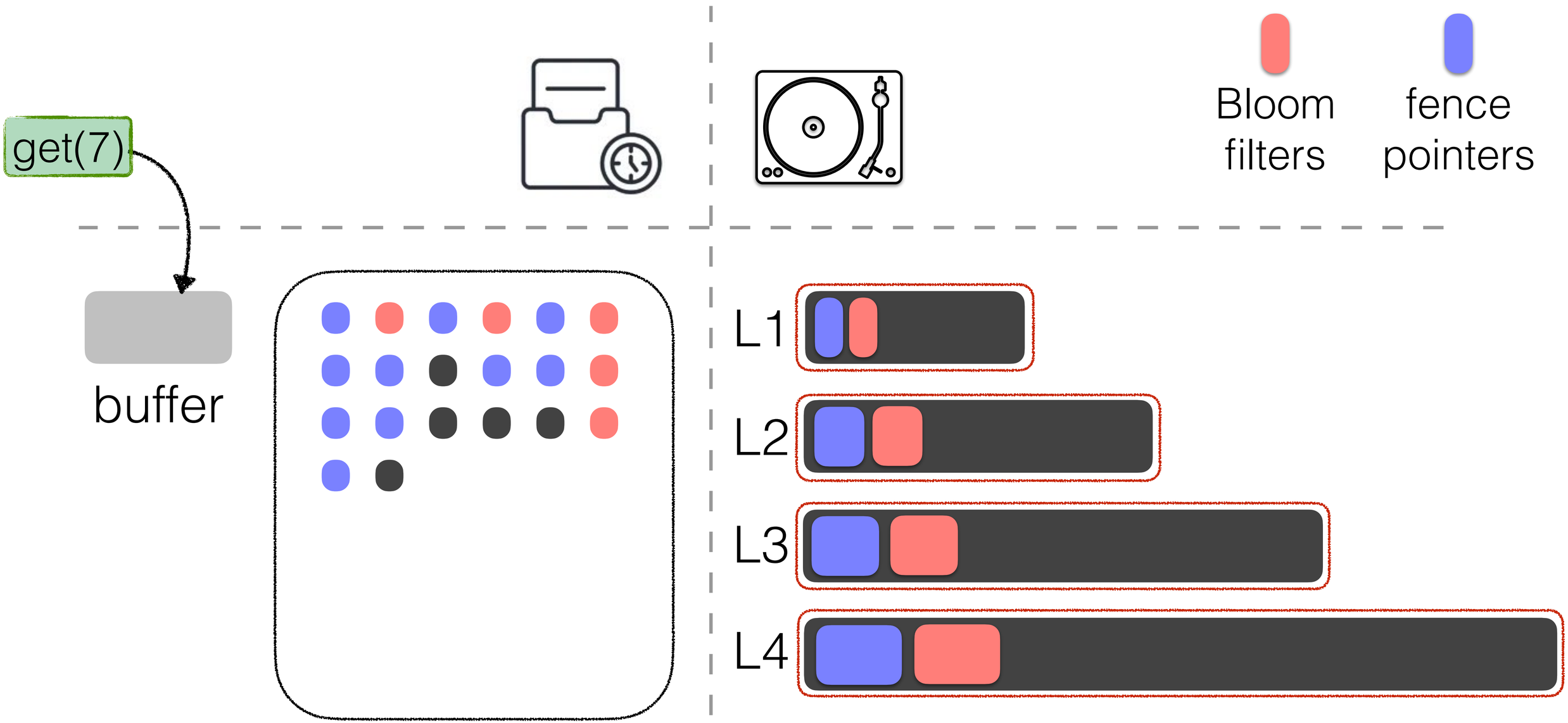

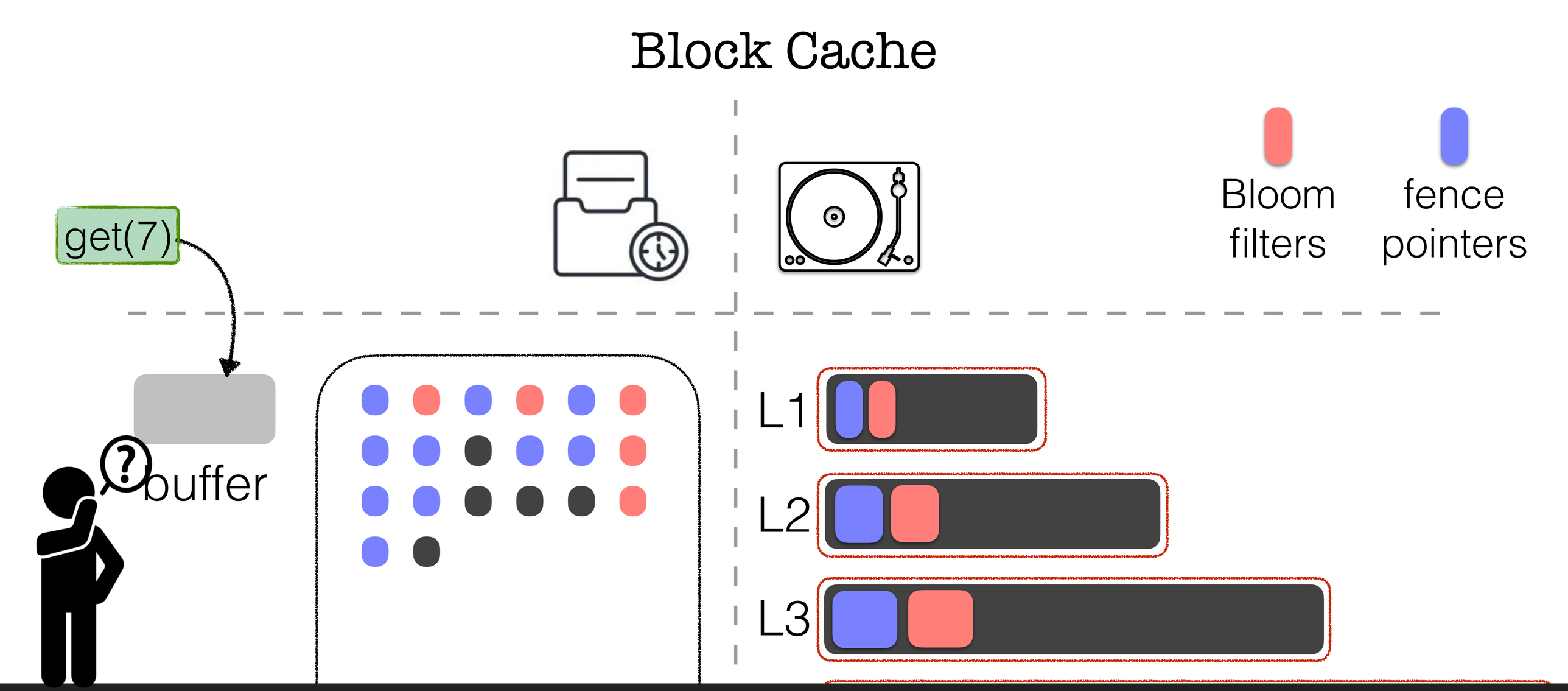

What about range queries?

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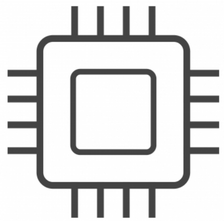
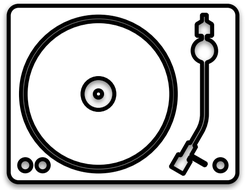
s : selectivity LRQ

Range Queries





buffer

filters

fence pointers

L1

L2

L3

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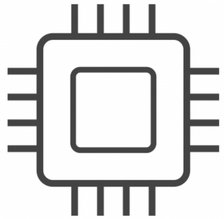
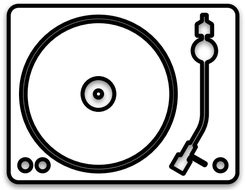
Range Queries

Cost analysis

long range: $\mathcal{O}(s \cdot N)$

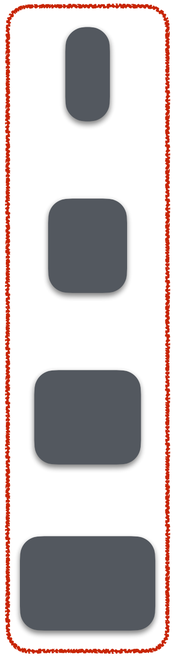
get(9,90)





buffer

filters



fence pointers

L1

L2

L3

L4

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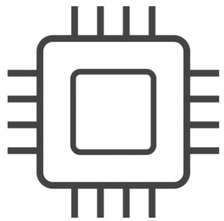
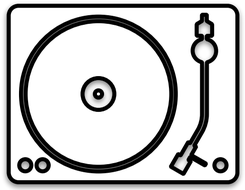
get(9,15)

Range Queries

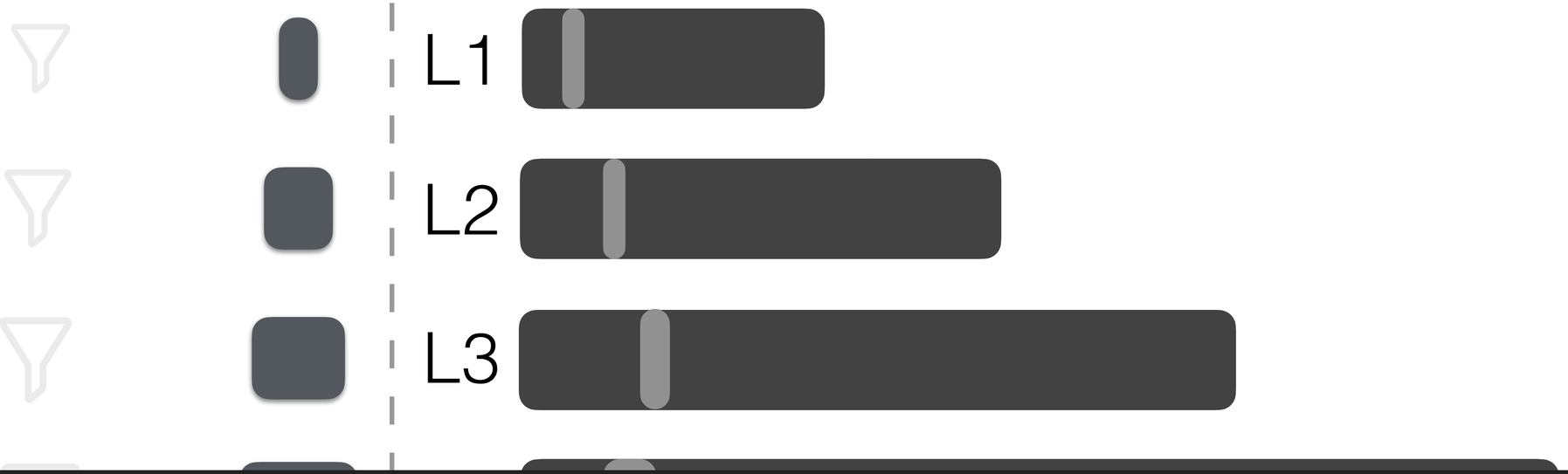




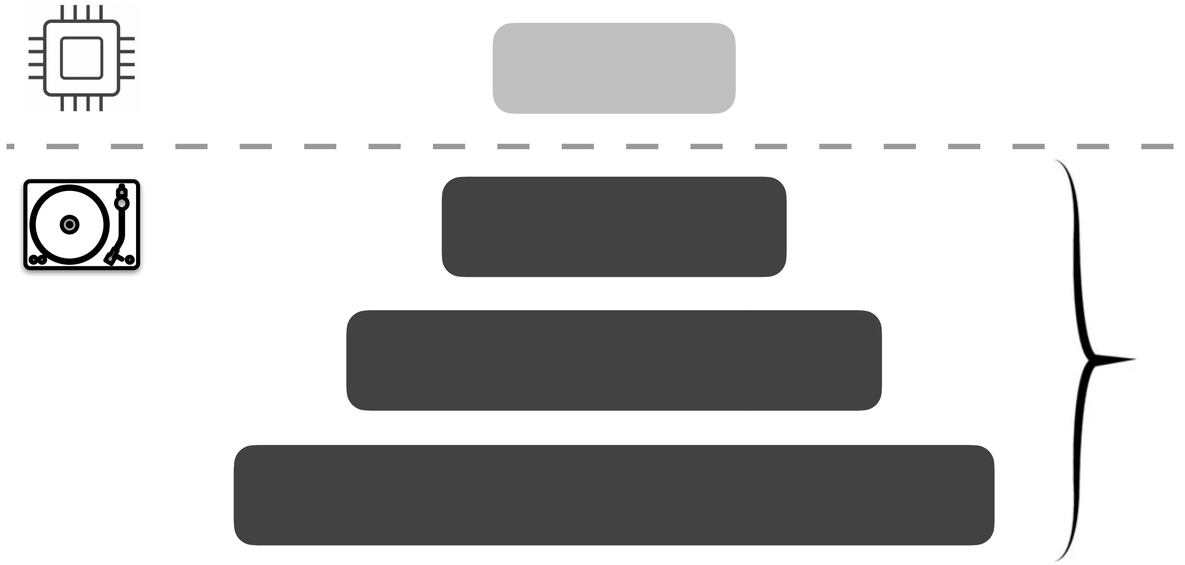
Cost analysis

long range: $\mathcal{O}(s \cdot N)$
short range: $\mathcal{O}(L)$

buffer

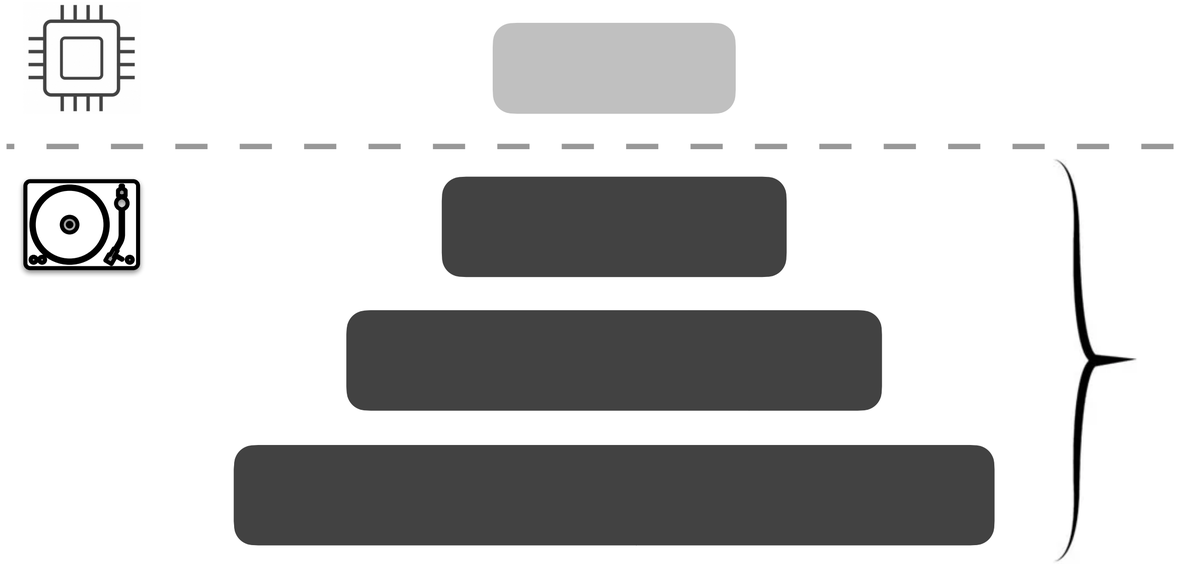


More on LSM Reads in Part 2.



most data
on storage

L: #levels
T: size ratio

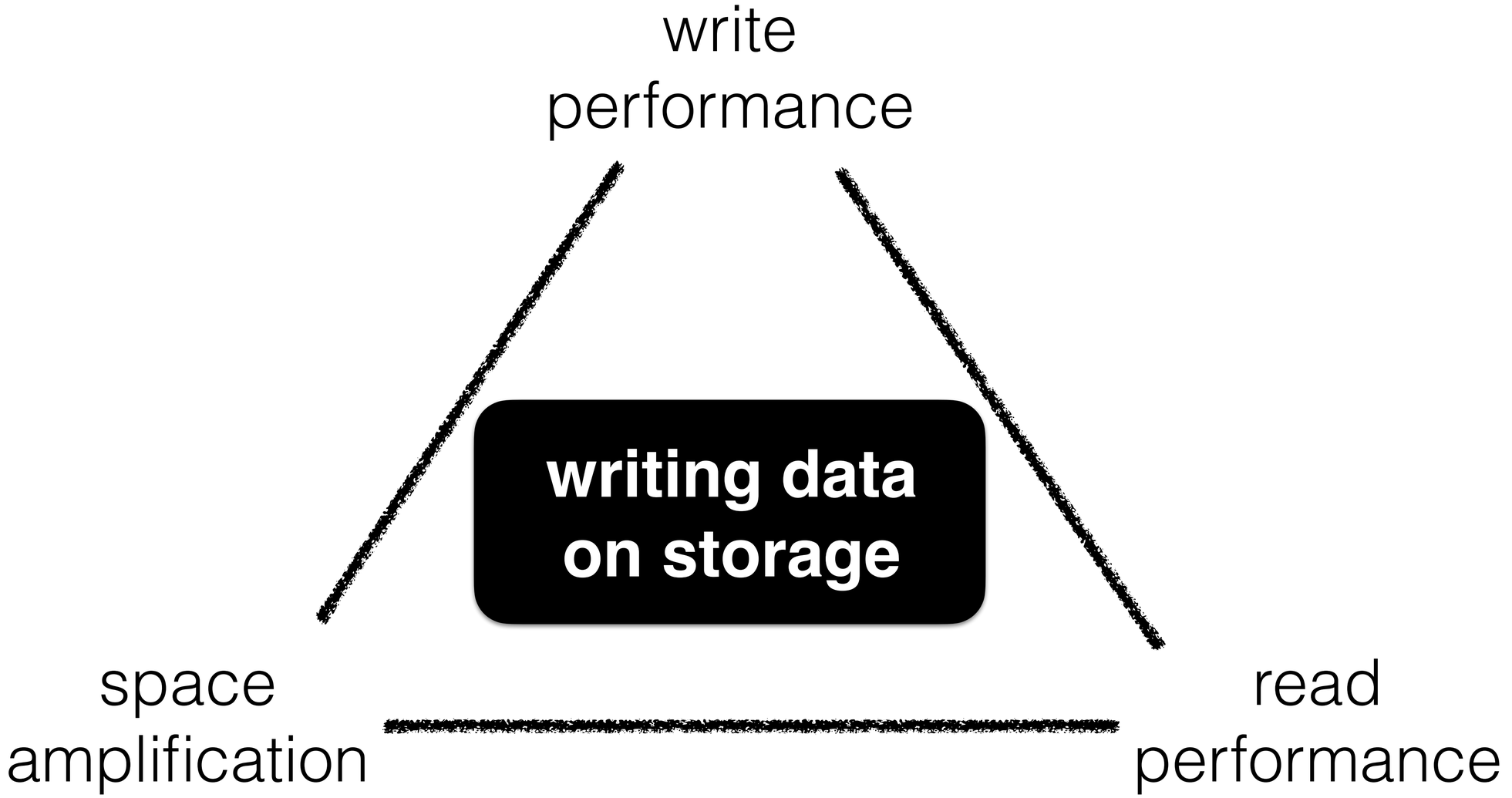


most data
on storage

if $T = 10$ & $L = 4$

99.9% on storage

Performance **Tradeoff**



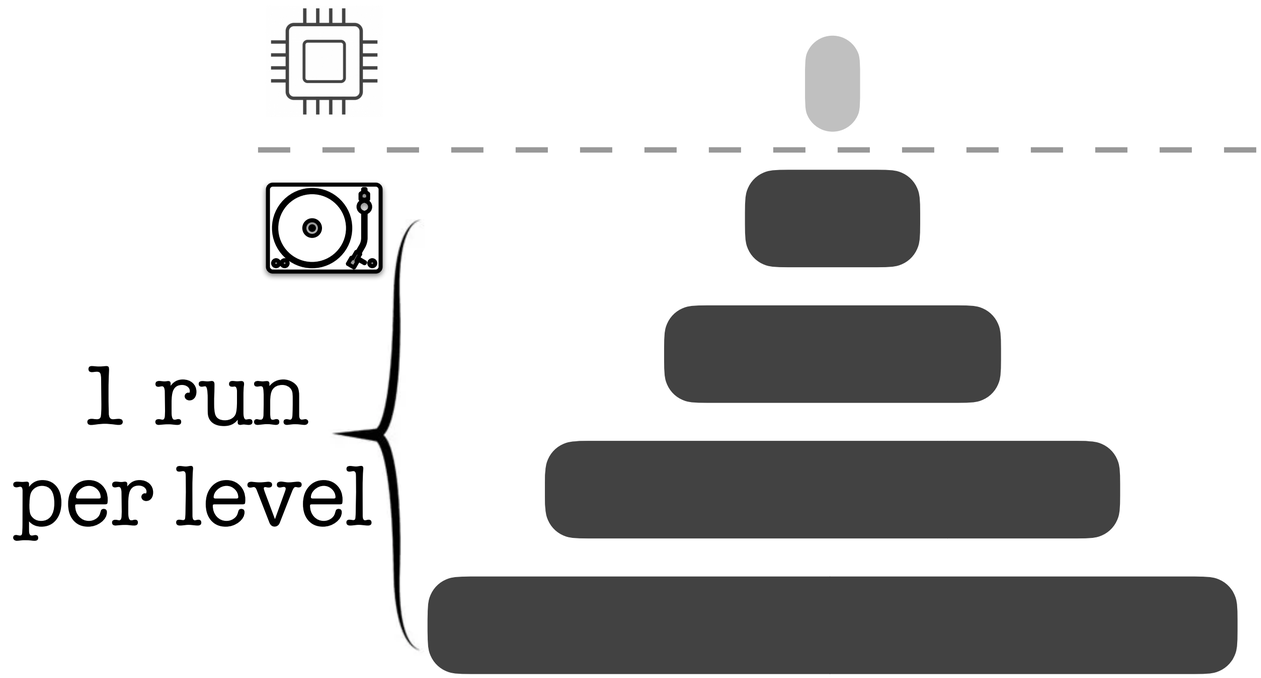
Data **Layout**

Classical LSM design: `leveling`

[eager merging]

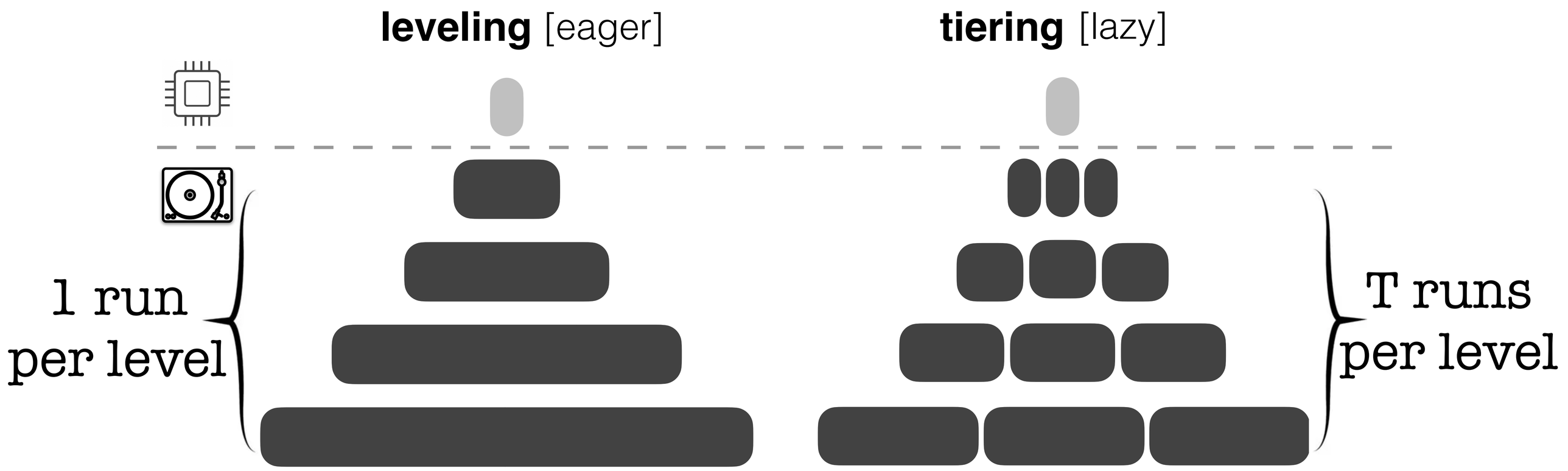
Data **Layout**

leveling [eager]



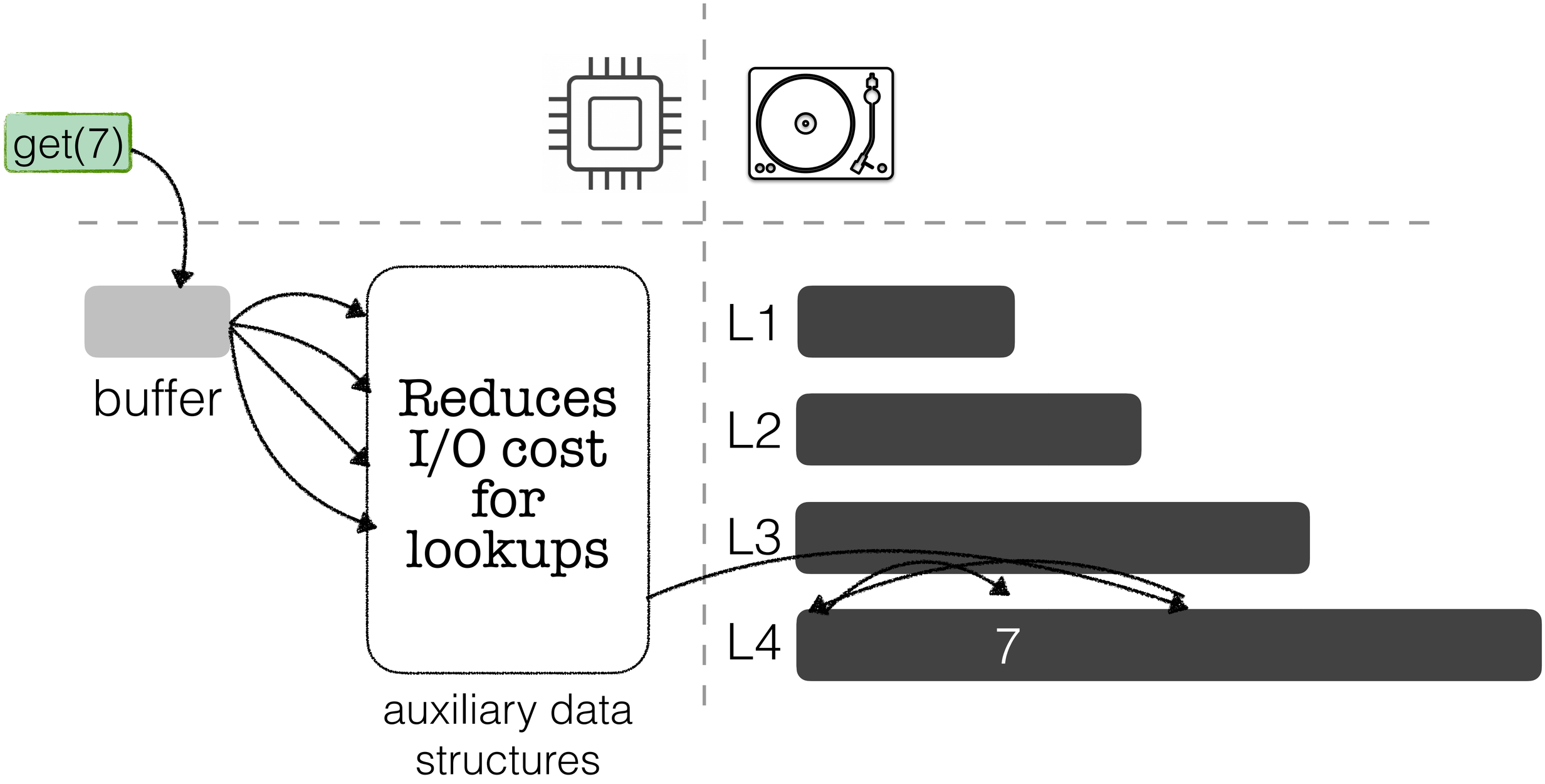
- good read performance
- good space amplification
- high write amplification

Data **Layout**



- good read performance
- good space amplification
- high write amplification

- poor read performance
- poor space amplification
- good ingestion performance


get(7)
buffer
Reduces I/O cost for lookups
auxiliary data structures
L1
L2
L3
L4
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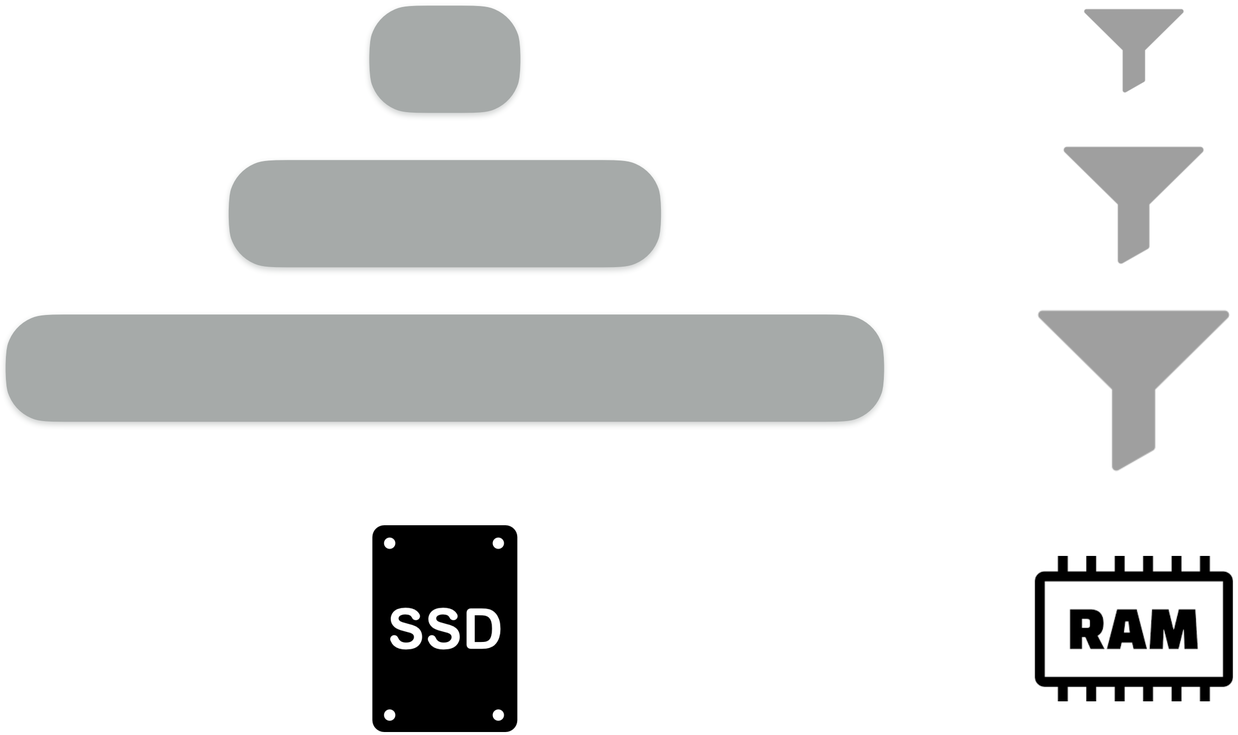
Outline

Part 1: **LSM Basics**

Part 2: **Read Optimizations in LSMs**

Part 3: **Navigating the LSM Design Space**

Filters to the Rescue



What is a filter

Does X exist?

Set

X Y Z

Answers set membership queries

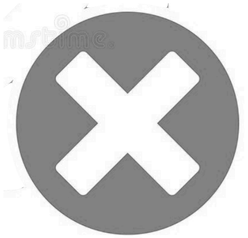
What is a filter

Does X exist?

Set

X Y Z

No false negatives



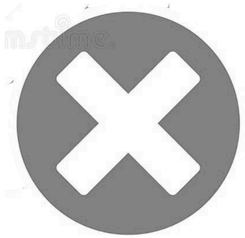
What is a filter

Does Q exist?

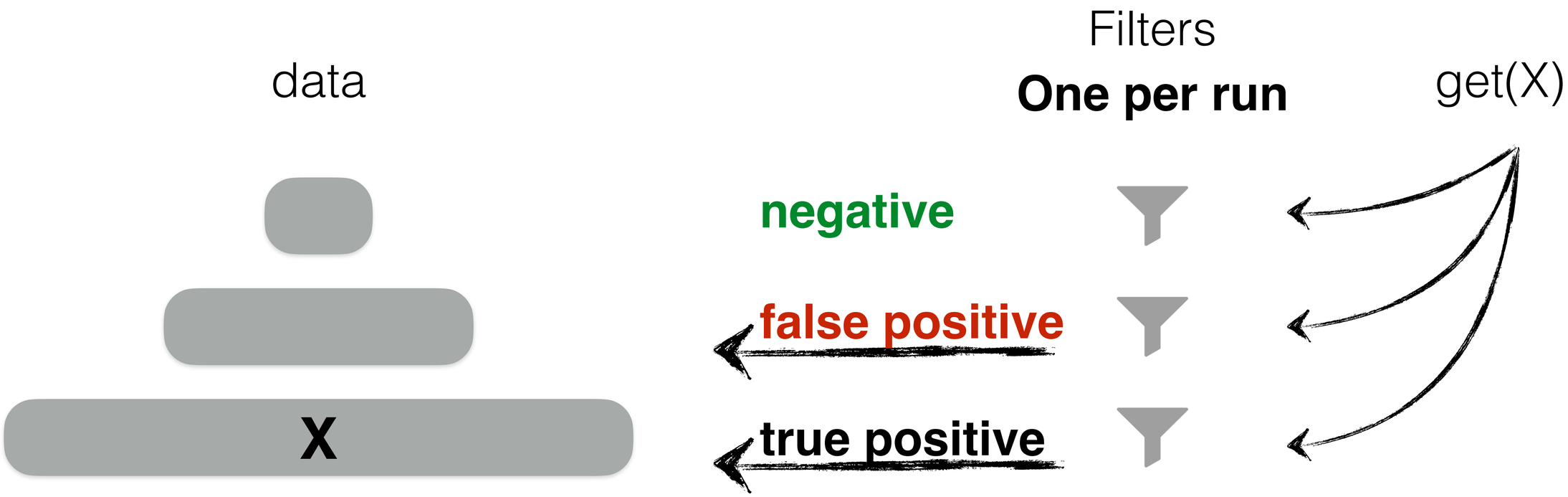
Set

X Y Z

No false negatives



false positives with tunable probability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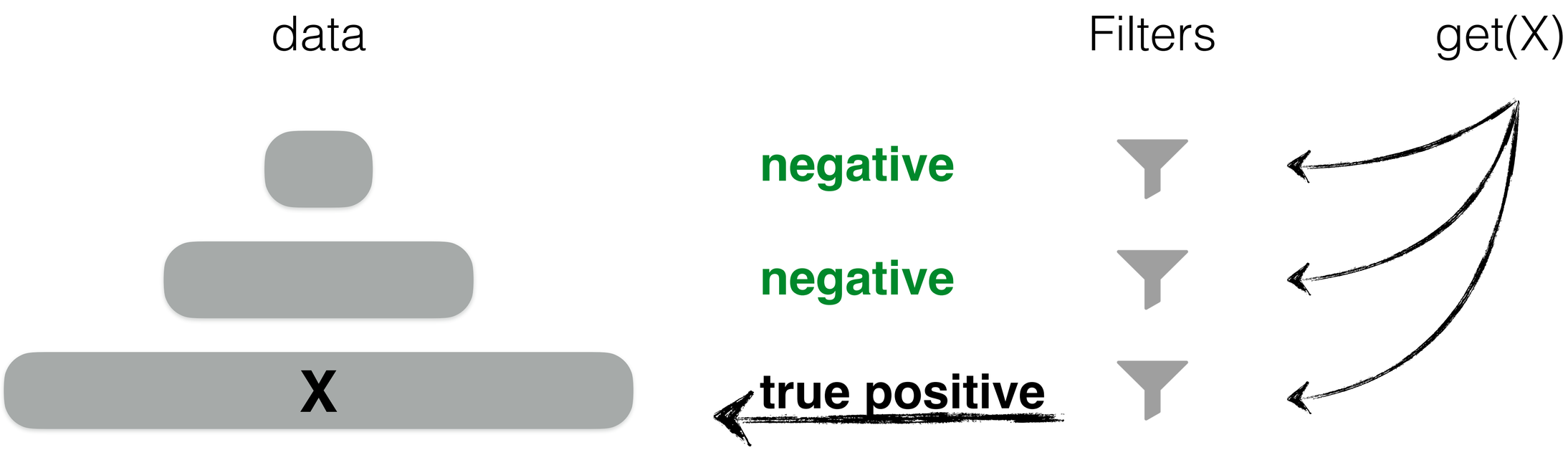
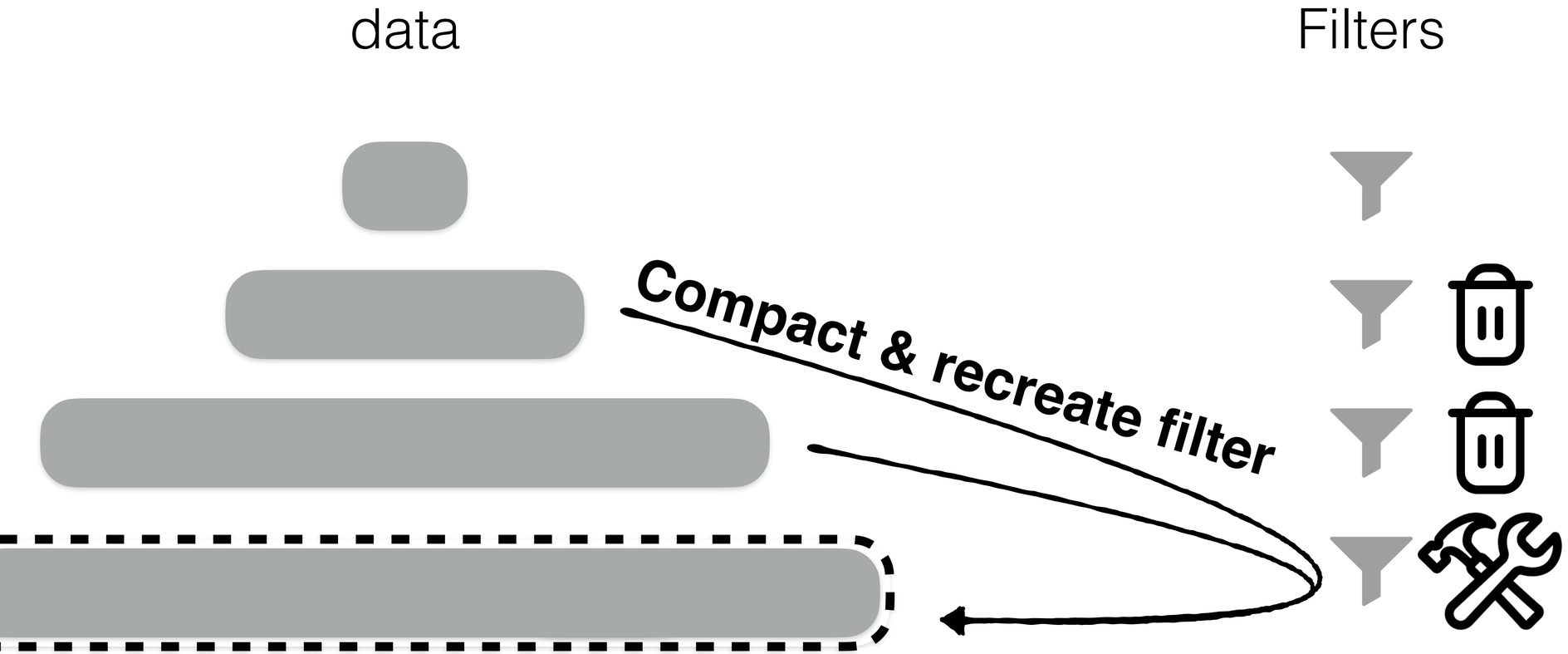
Filters
One per run
get(X)
negative
false positive
true positive
X

more memory → fewer false positives

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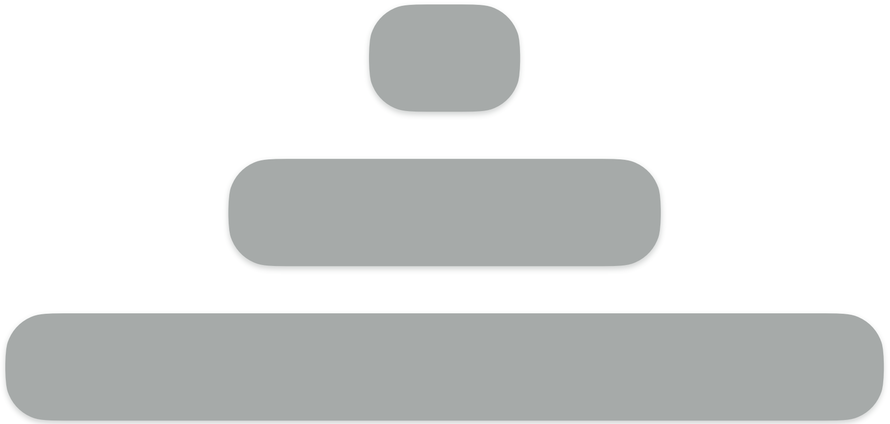
Filters
Compact & recreate filter



Bloom Filters

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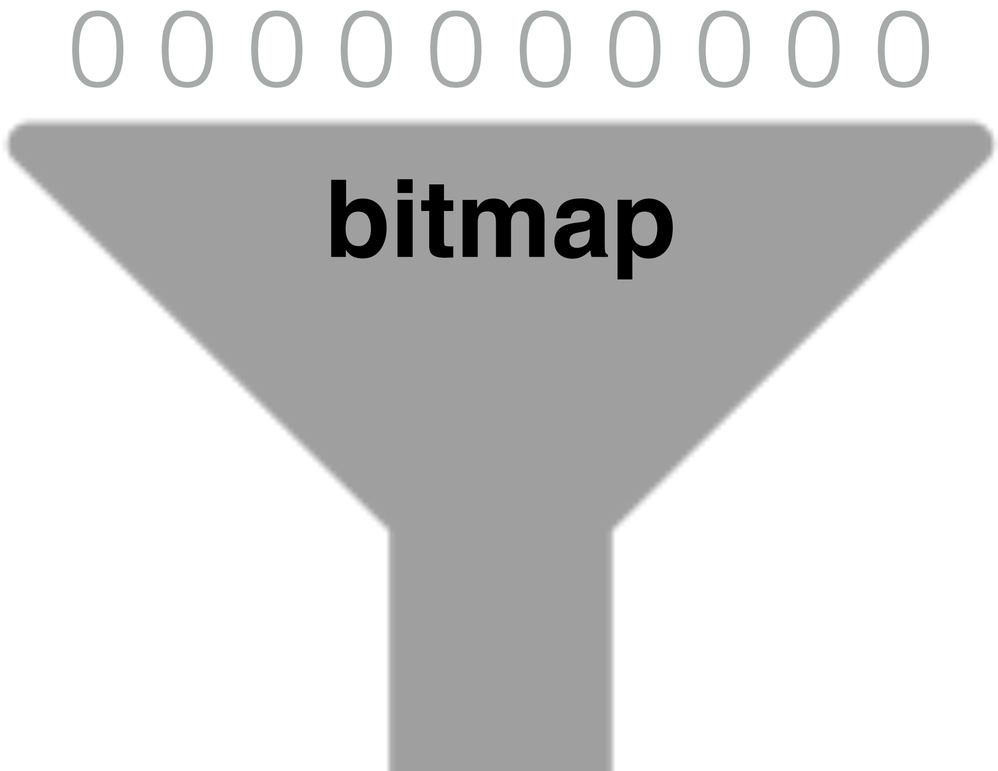
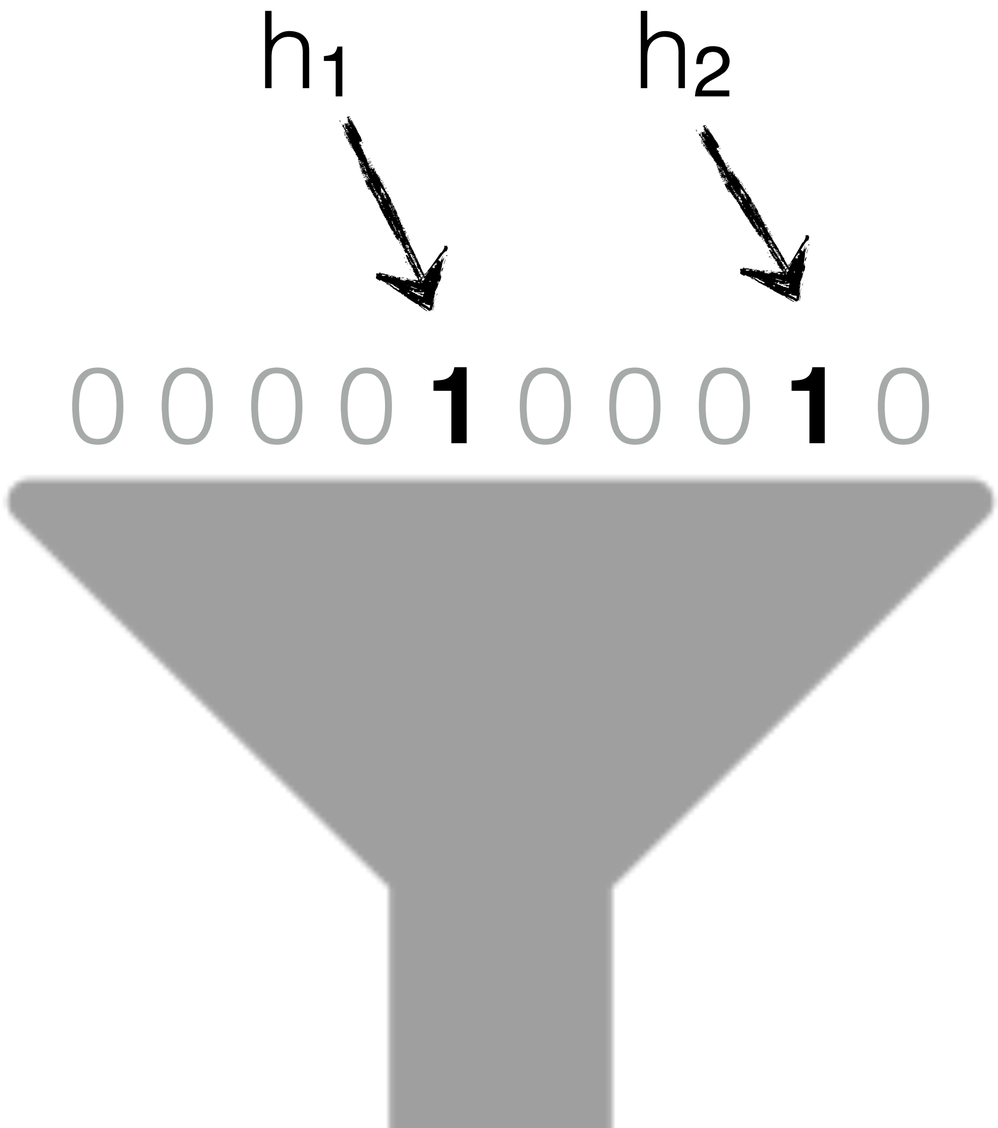
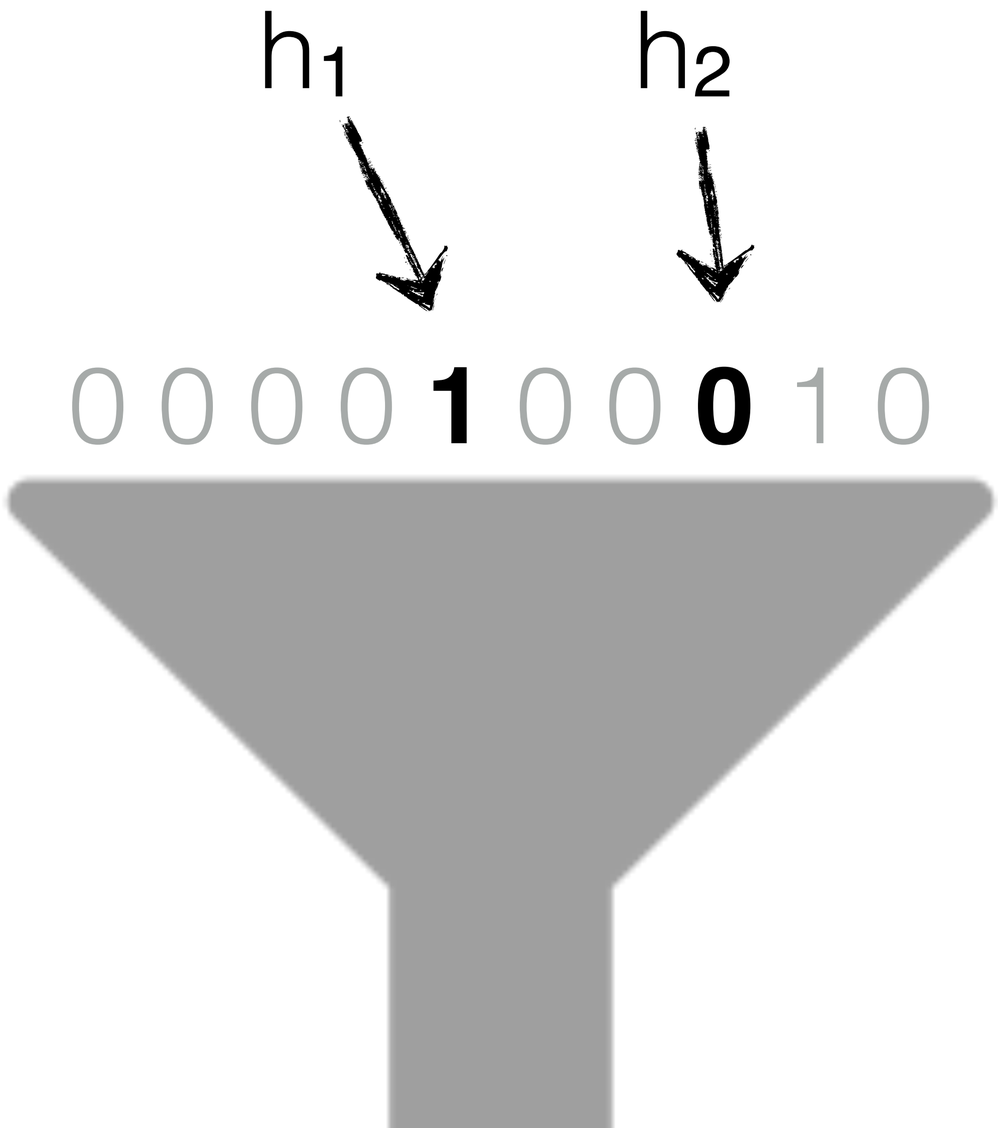
k hash functions



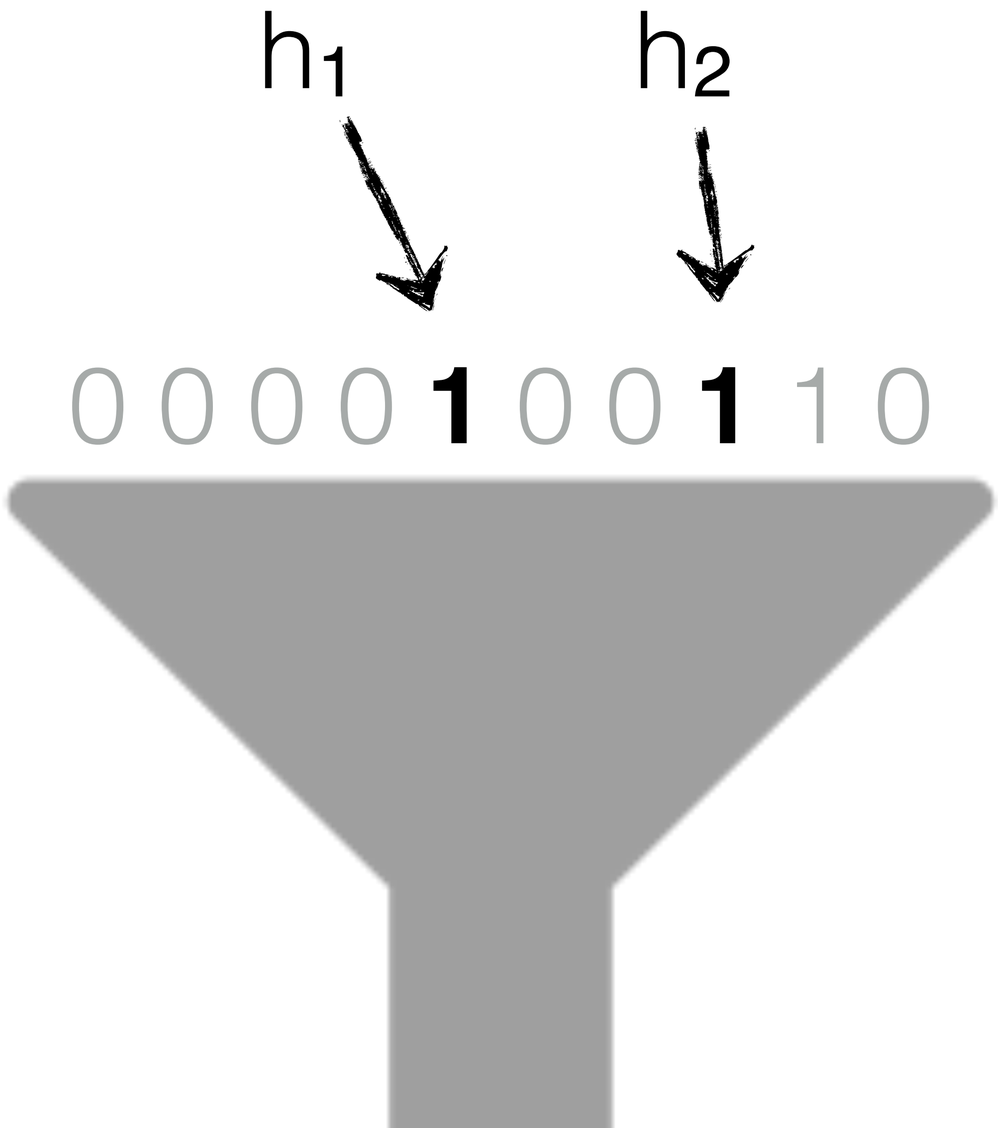
insert: Set from 0 to 1 or keep 1



negative lookup: at least one bit is zero



true or false positive lookup



Optimal number of hash functions

$$= \frac{\ln(2) \cdot \boldsymbol{M}}{h_1 \ \ldots \ h_k}$$ ← **bits / entry**

With M bits / entry

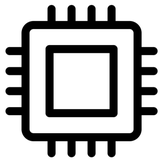
Optimal number of hash functions $= \ln(2) \cdot M$

False positive rate = $2^{-M \cdot \ln(2)}$

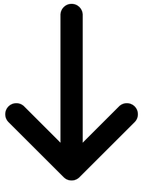
5 fronts

Holistic Tuning

CPU



Lowering Constants



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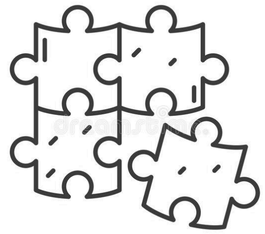


Range

Holistic Tuning

Monkey

DayanSIGMOD17

Dostoevsky

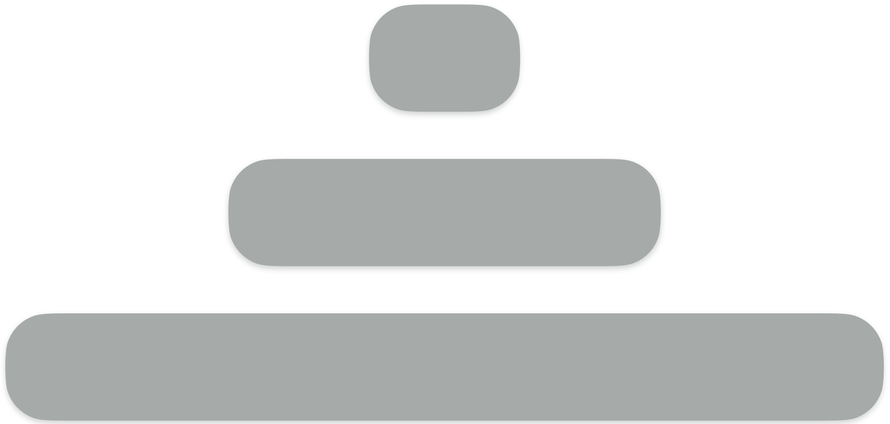
DayanSIGMOD18

LSM-Bush

DayanSIGMOD19

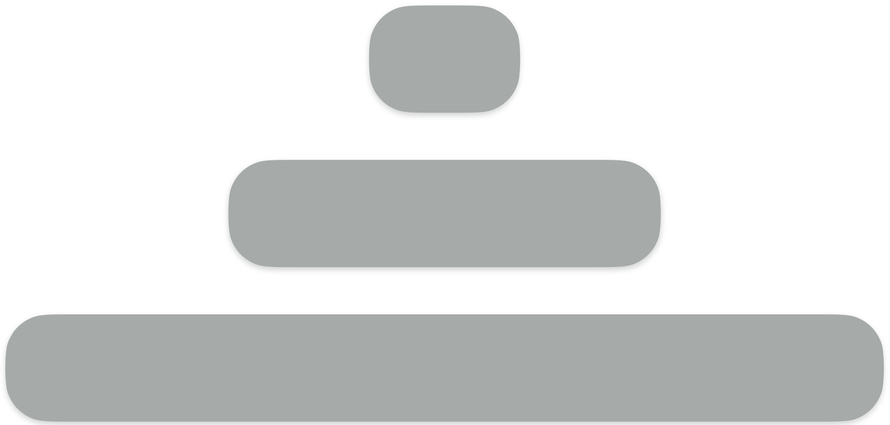
Monkey: **O**ptimal **N**avigable **Key**-Value Store

data



Bloom filters

data



Bloom filters

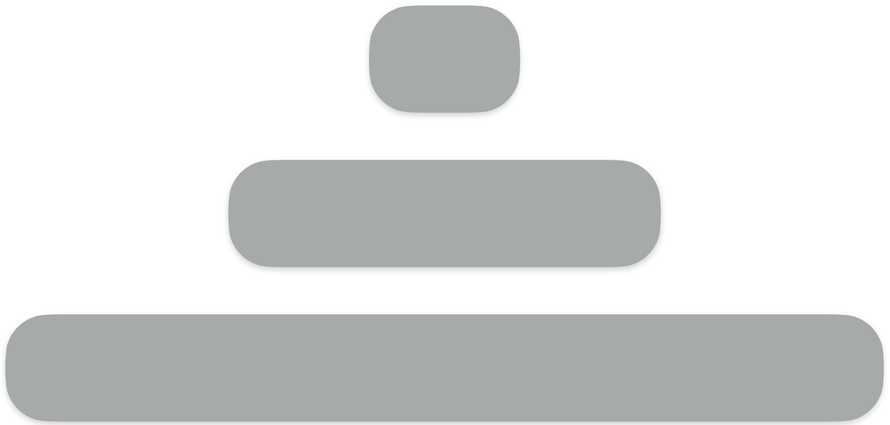
bits/entry

M

M

M

data



Bloom filters

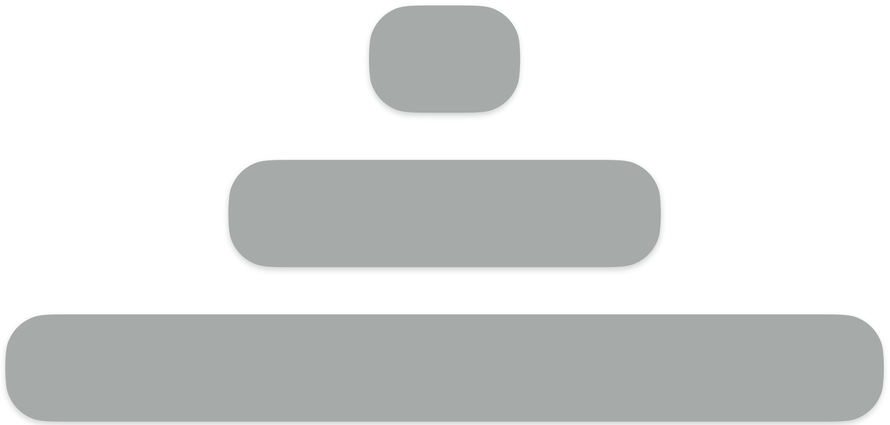
bits/entry

M

M

M

data



Bloom filters

false positive rate

$2^{-M \cdot \ln(2)}$

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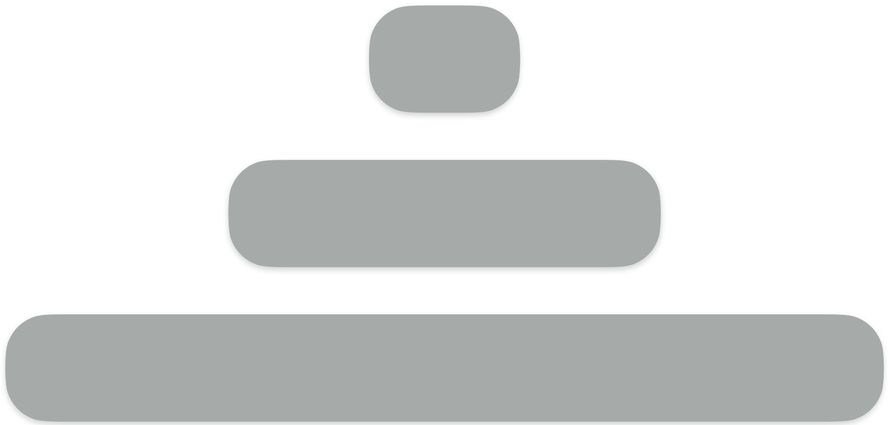
data



Bloom filters

false positive rate

2^{-M}

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Bloom filters

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$= O(2^{-M} \cdot \log_T N)$

Bloom filters

false positive rate

2^{-M}

2^{-M}

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$= \quad O(1+2^{-M} \cdot \log_T N)$

Bloom filters

false positive rate

2^{-M}

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$= O(2^{-M} \cdot \log_T N)$

Bloom filters

false positive rate

2^{-M}

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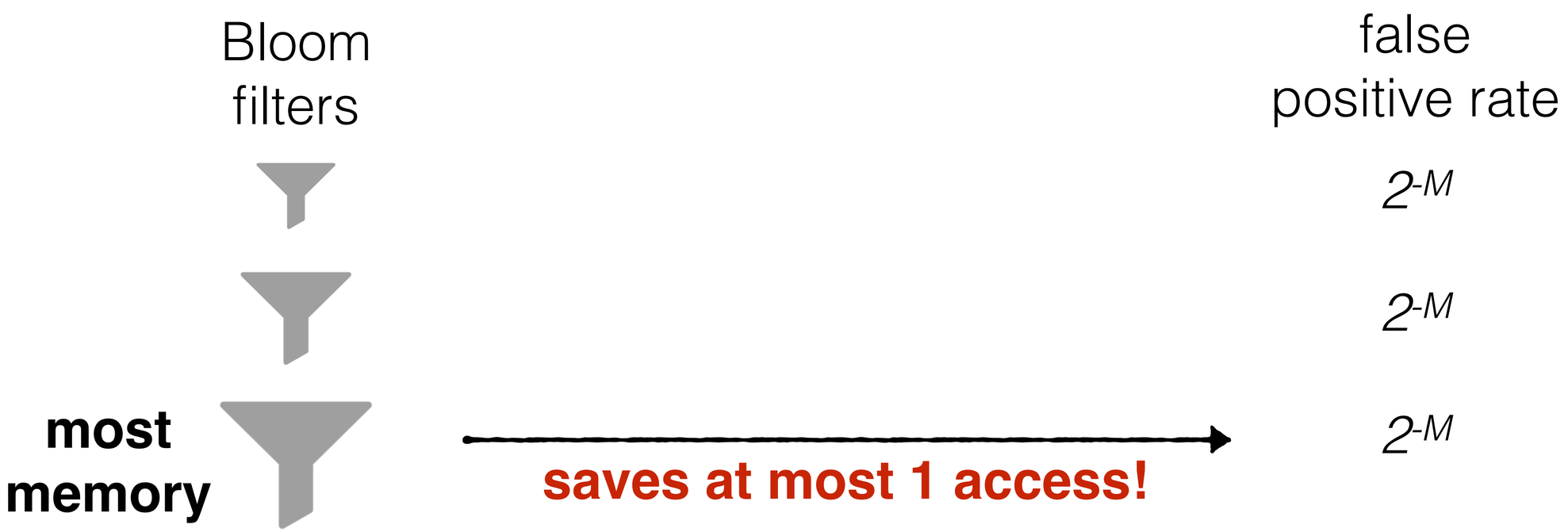
most memory

2^{-M}


Bloom
filters
false
positive rate
2^{-M}
2^{-M}
2^{-M}
most
memory
saves at most 1 access!

bits / entry

M ***+ 2***

M ***+ 1***

M ***- 1***

reallocate

false
positive rates

$2^{-(M+2)}$

$2^{-(M+1)}$

$2^{-(M-1)}$

$\propto \quad 2^{-M} / T^{2}$

$\propto \quad 2^{-M} / T^{1}$

$\propto \quad 2^{-M} / T^{0}$

$2^{-M} / T^{2}$

$2^{-M} / T^{1}$

$2^{-M} / T^{0}$

geometric progression

$= O(\mathbf{2^{-M}})$

Faster worst case

$$O(2^{-M}) \quad < \quad O(2^{-M} \cdot \log_T N)$$

Monkey opens up new ways of optimizing write performance without sacrificing get performance

Monkey

Dostoevsky

LSM-Bush

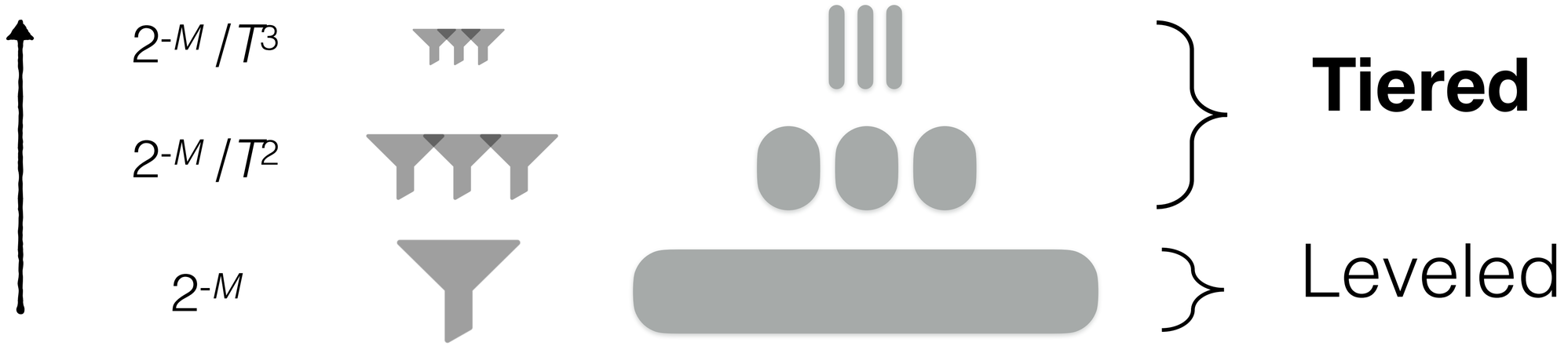
DayanSIGMOD17

DayanSIGMOD18

DayanSIGMOD19

Dostoevsky

Smaller false positive rates



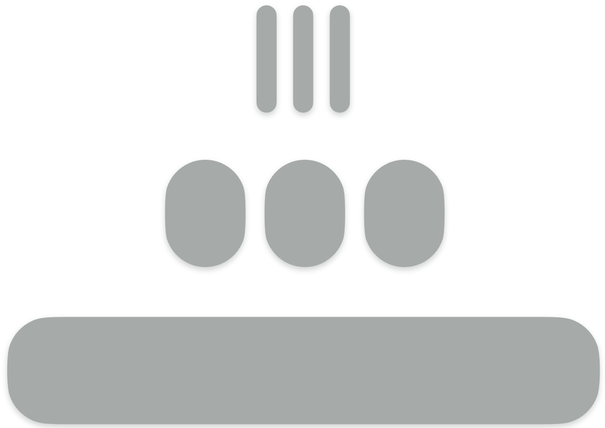
gets

$O(2^{-M})$

writes

$O(T + \log_T N)$

=



$O(1)$
+
$O(1)$
+
$O(T)$

gets

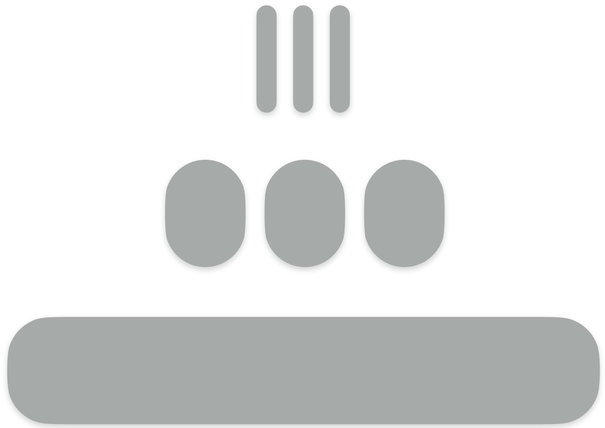
$O(2^{-M})$

writes

$O(T + \log_T N) < O(T \cdot \log_T N)$

leveling

=



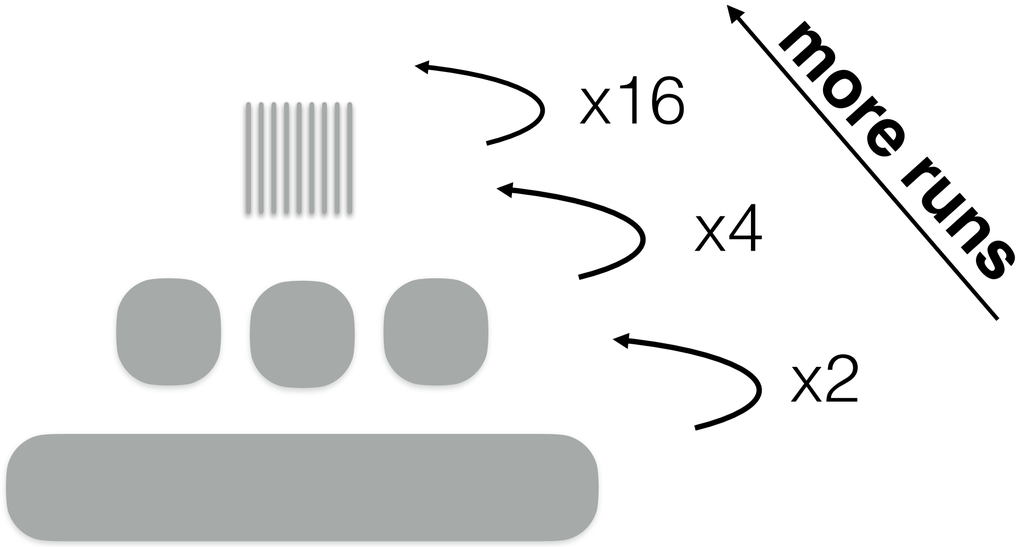
$O(1)$
+
$O(1)$
+
$O(T)$

Dostoevsky

$O(T + \log_T N)$

LSM-Bush

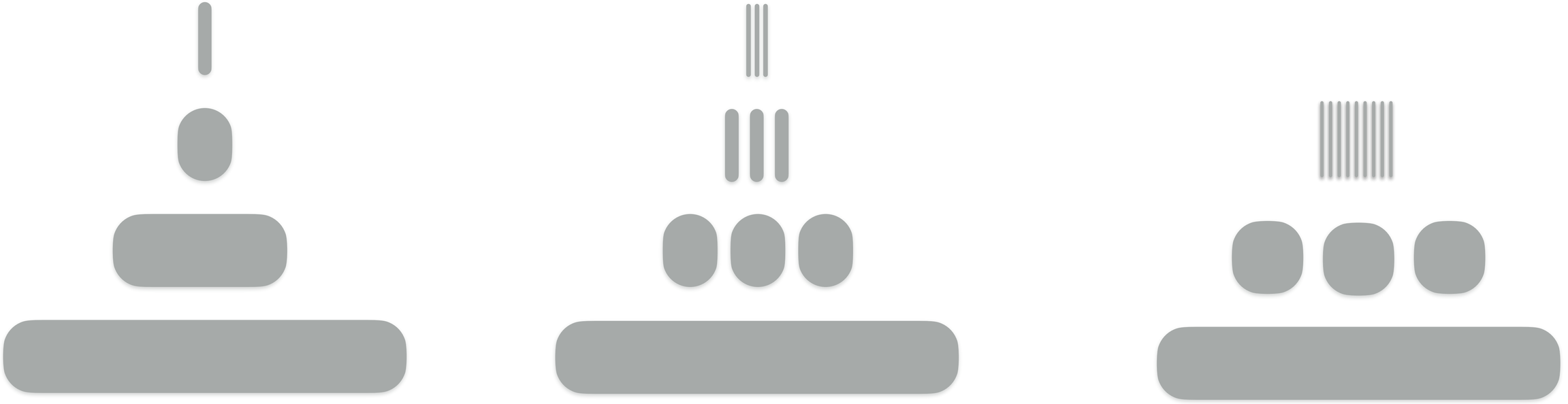
$O(\log_2 \log_T N)$



Monkey w. leveling

Dostoevsky

LSM-Bush



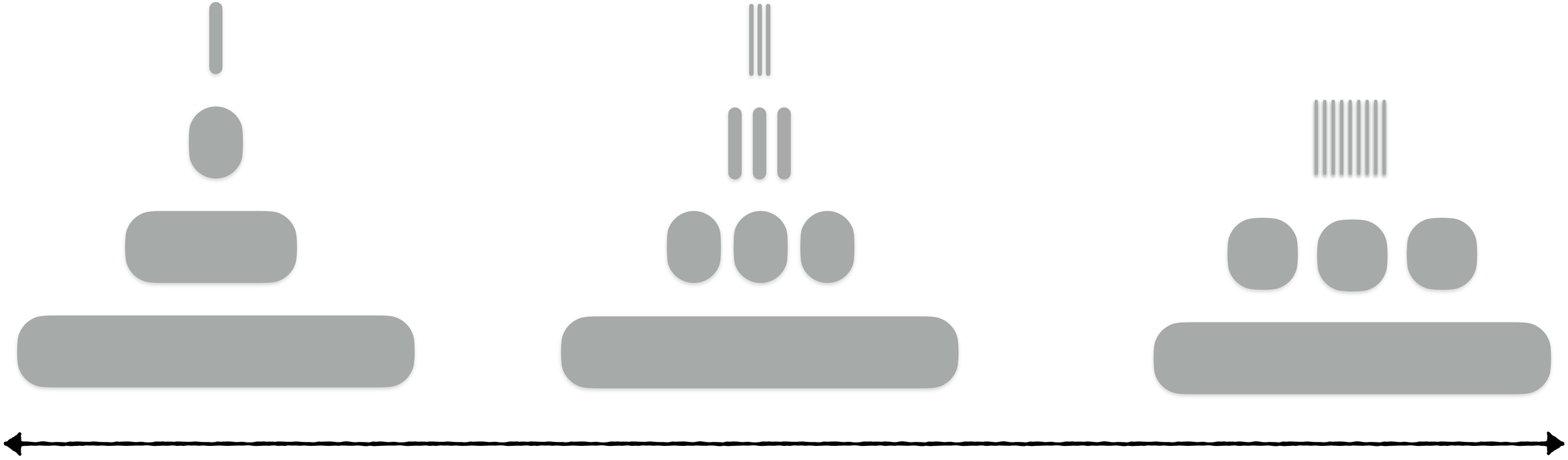
Cheaper range

Cheaper writes

Monkey w. leveling

Dostoevsky

LSM-Bush

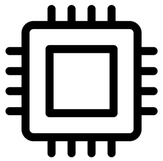


Great point reads all across

5 fronts

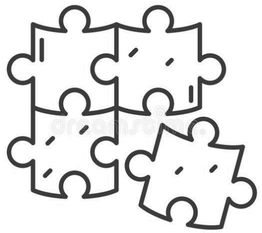
Holistic Tuning

CPU



Lowering Constants

Unification

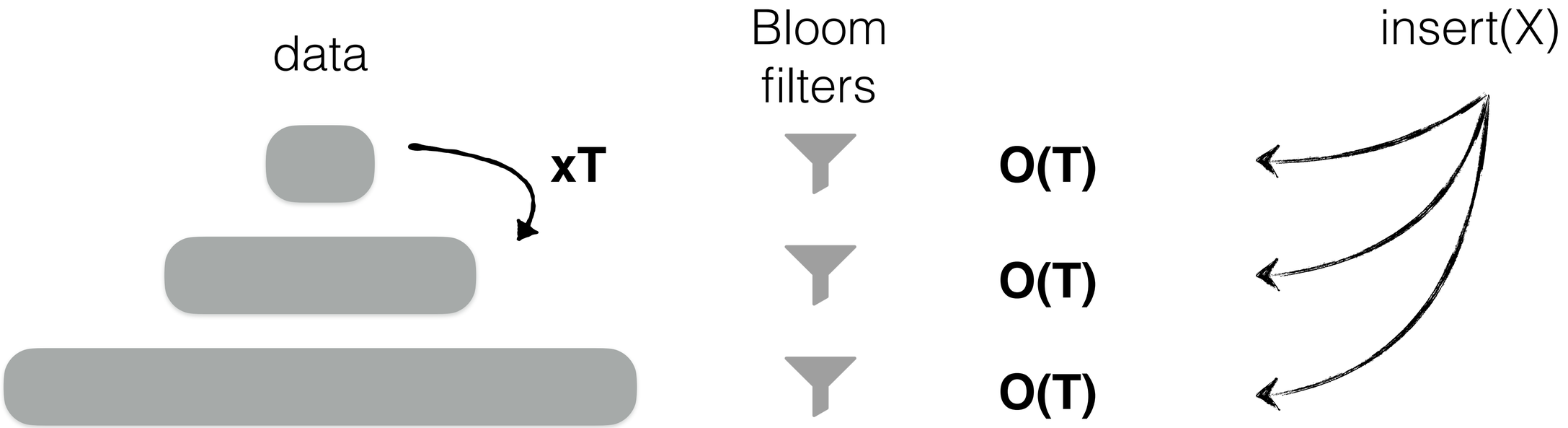


Range

Bloom filters

CPU overhead?

Each key is inserted O(T) times per level into a filter



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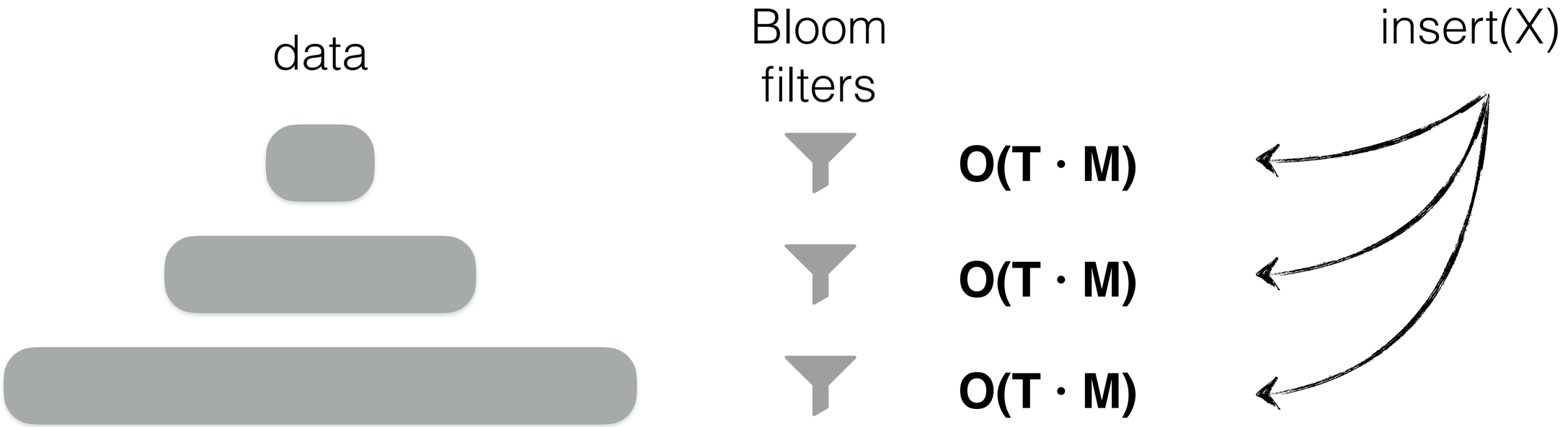

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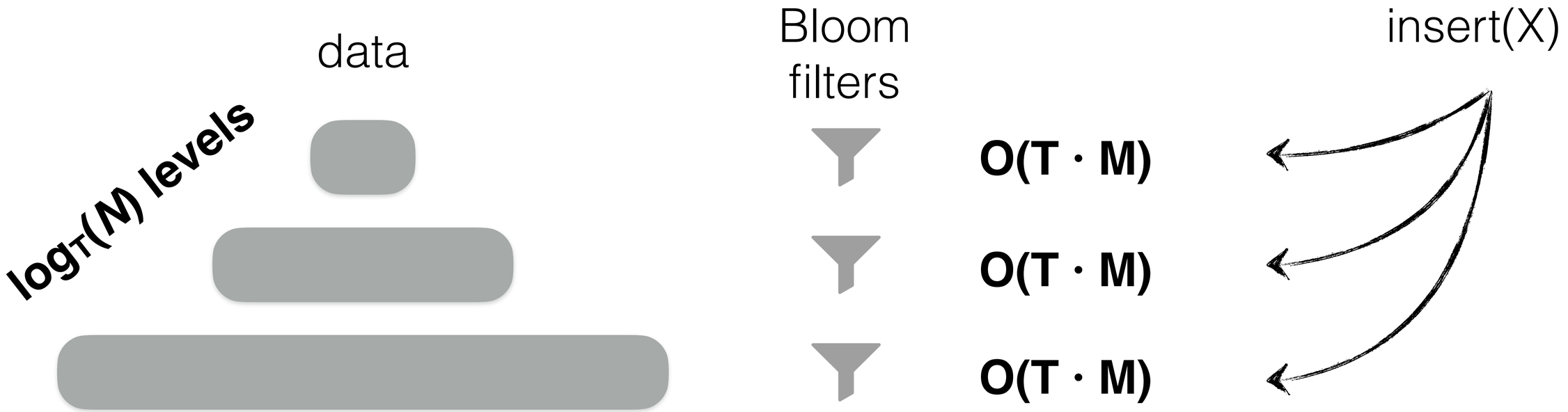
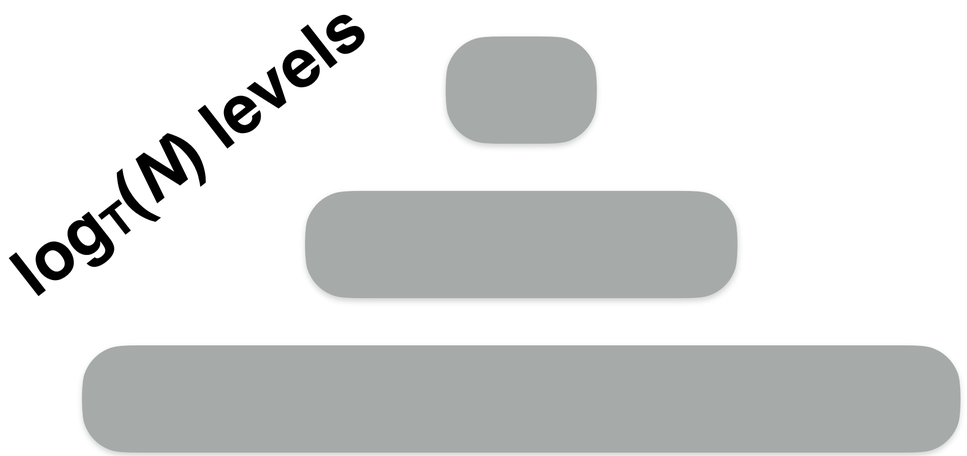


= $O(\log_T(N) \cdot T \cdot M)$

With Monkey more hash functions are used



Bloom filters

insert(X)

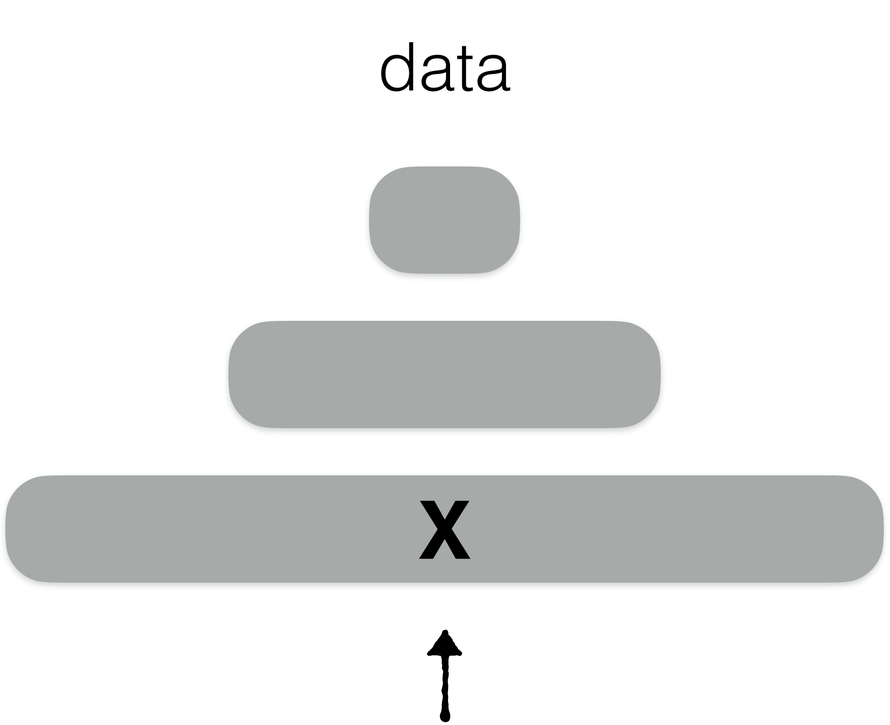
$O(T \cdot \mathbf{(M+2)})$

$O(T \cdot \mathbf{(M+1)})$

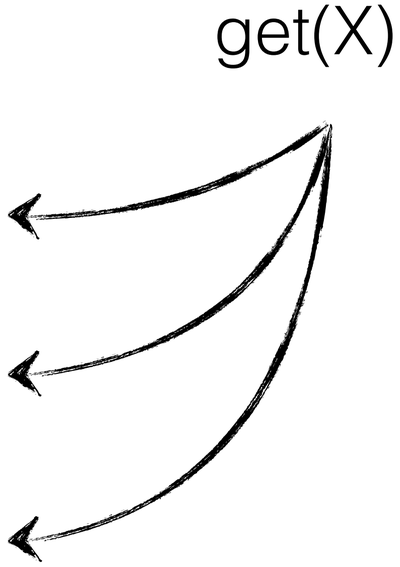
$O(T \cdot \mathbf{M})$

$= O(\log_T(N) \cdot T \cdot (M + \mathbf{\log_T N}))$

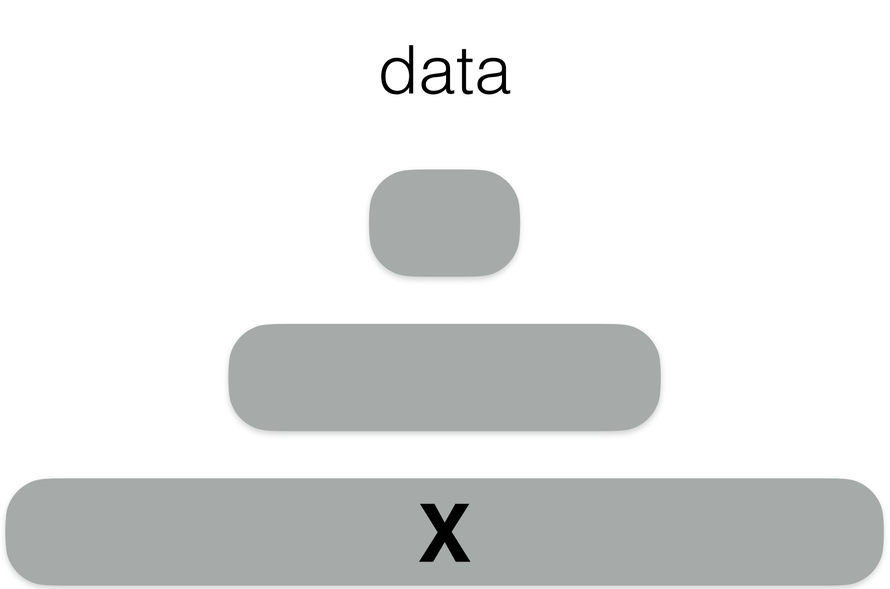
How about get cost?



Worst case



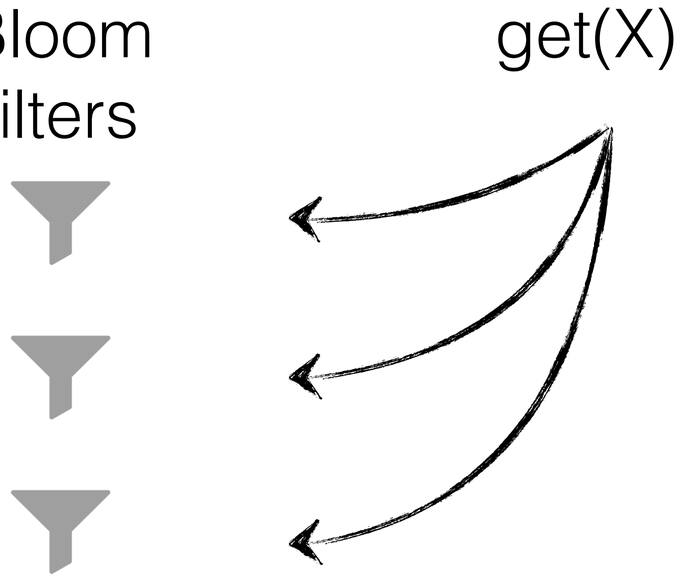
Expected Negative Query Cost ≈ 2



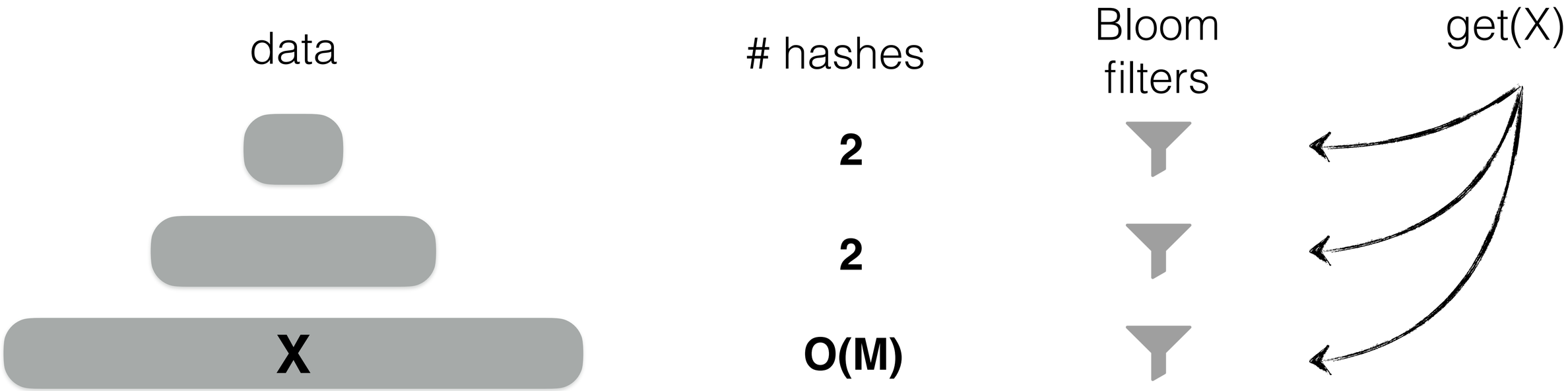
hashes

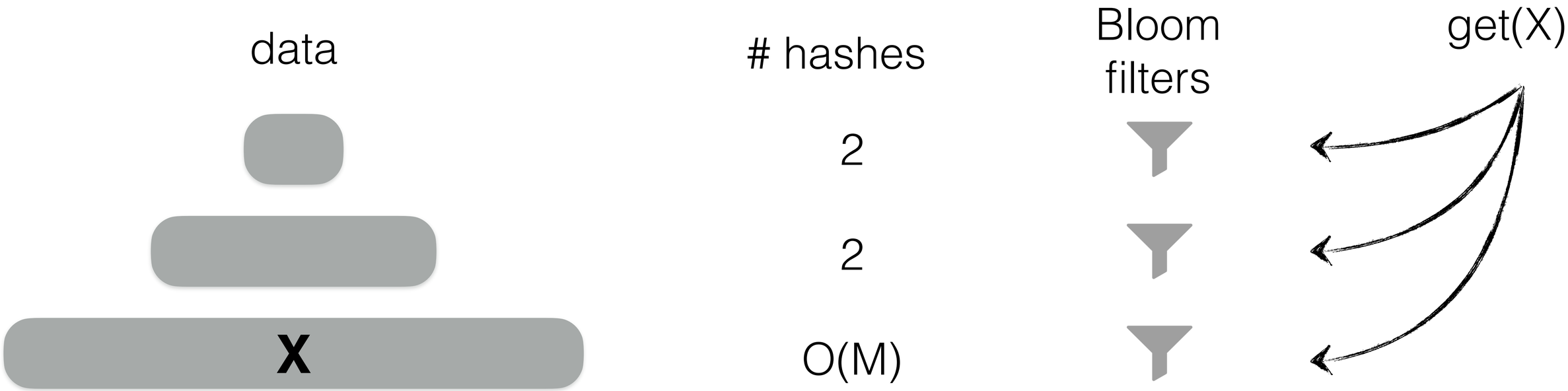
2

2



Positive Query Cost ≈ M · ln(2)





Avg. worst case = O(M + $\log_T N$)

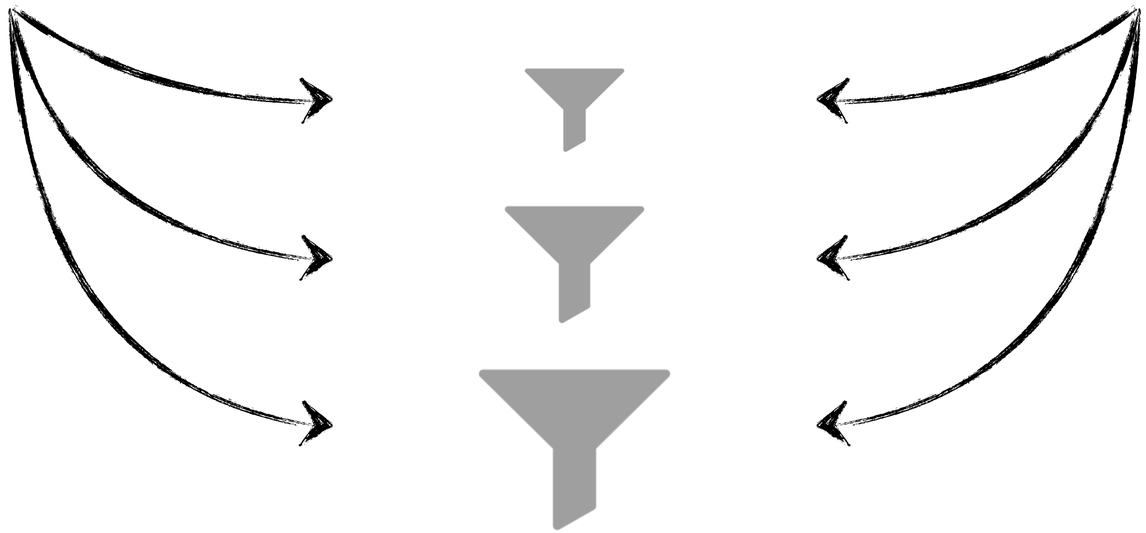
get

$$O(M + \log_T N)$$

Bloom filters

Insert

$$O(T \cdot M \cdot \log_T N)$$

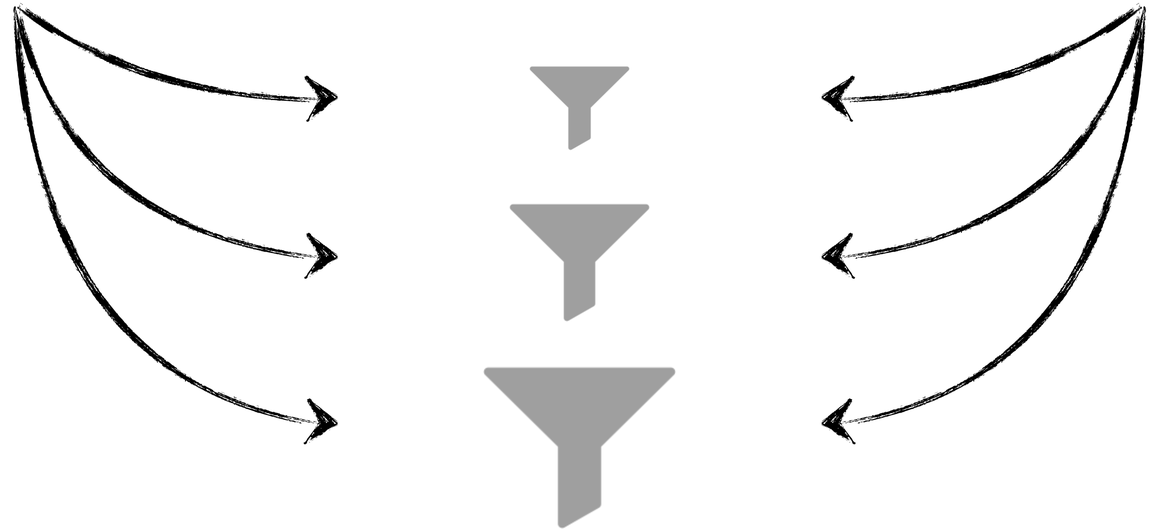


Address Using Blocking and SIMD

get
$O(\ M + \log_T N\ )$

Bloom
filters

Insert
$O(\ T \cdot M \cdot \log_T N\ )$



Blocking

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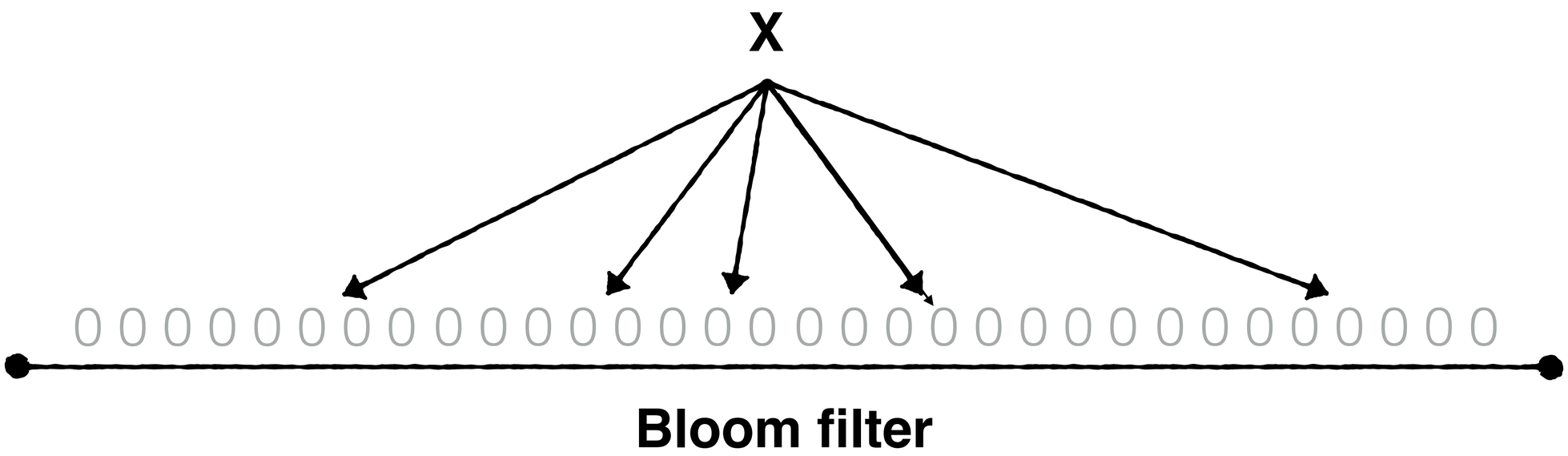
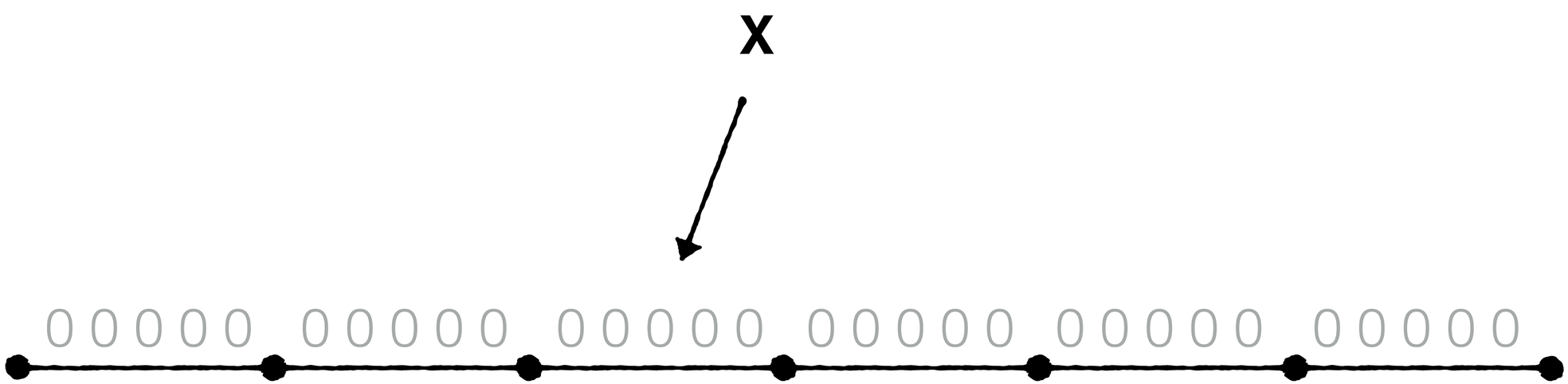


Blocking

Hash to one cache line



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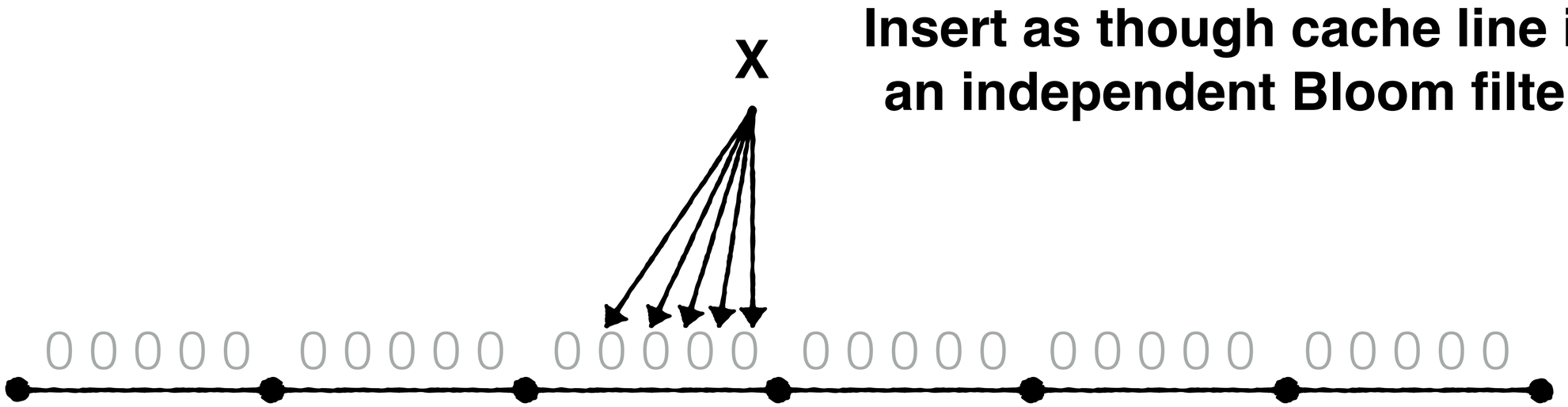
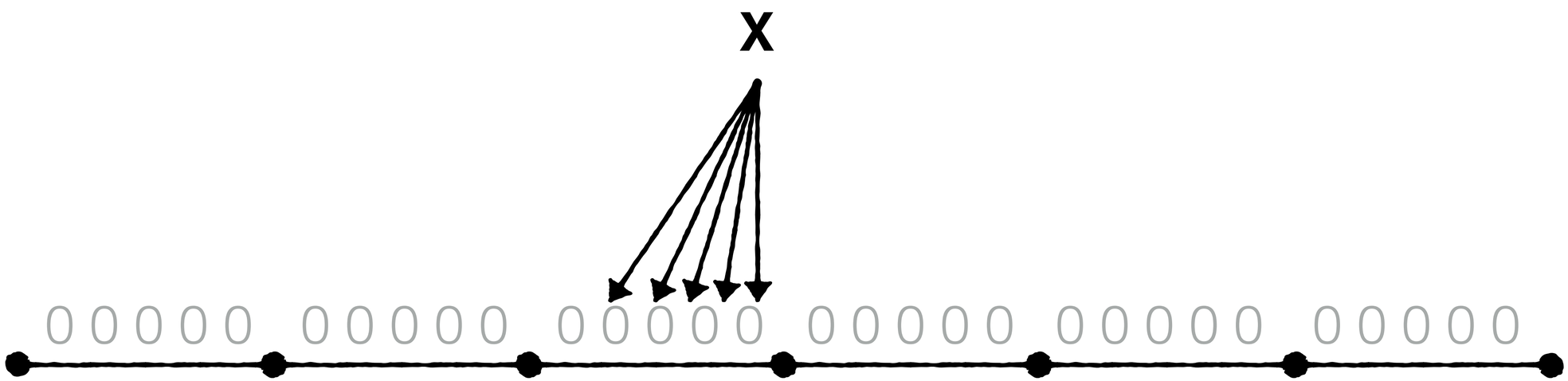


Insert as though cache line is an independent Bloom filter

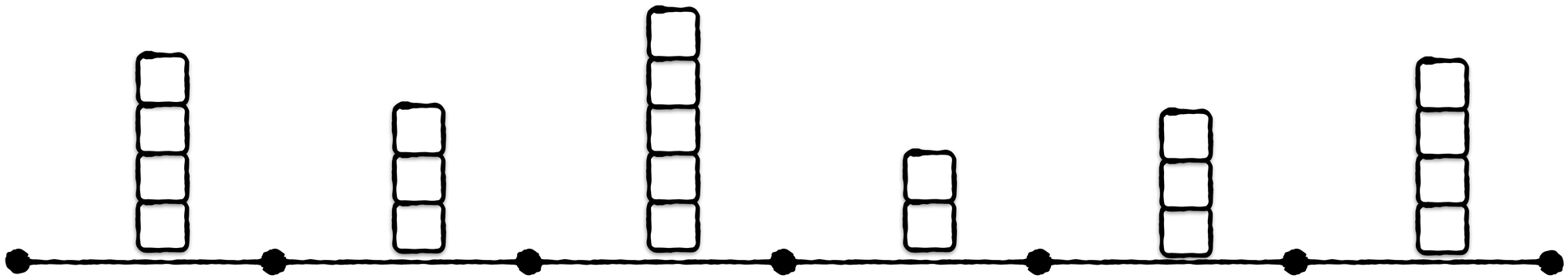
Blocking

Pro: one cache miss per insert/get



Blocking

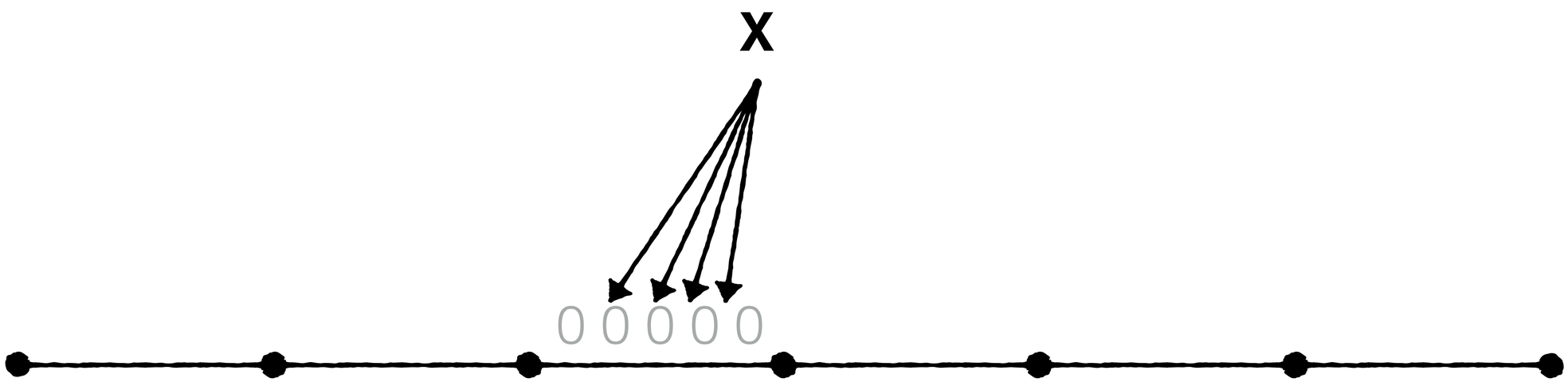
Con 1: uneven distribution of entries across cache lines slightly harms the false positive rate



Blocked Bloom filter

Blocking

Con 2: still need to compute many hash functions per entry



Blocked Bloom filter

SIMD

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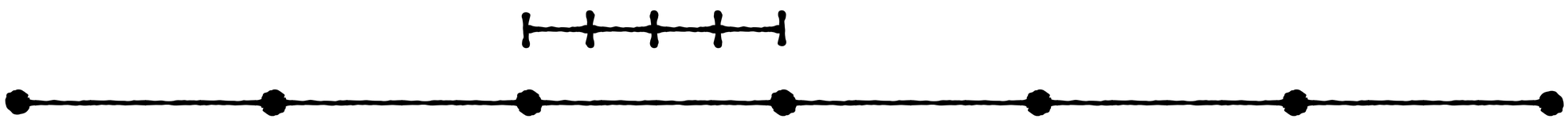
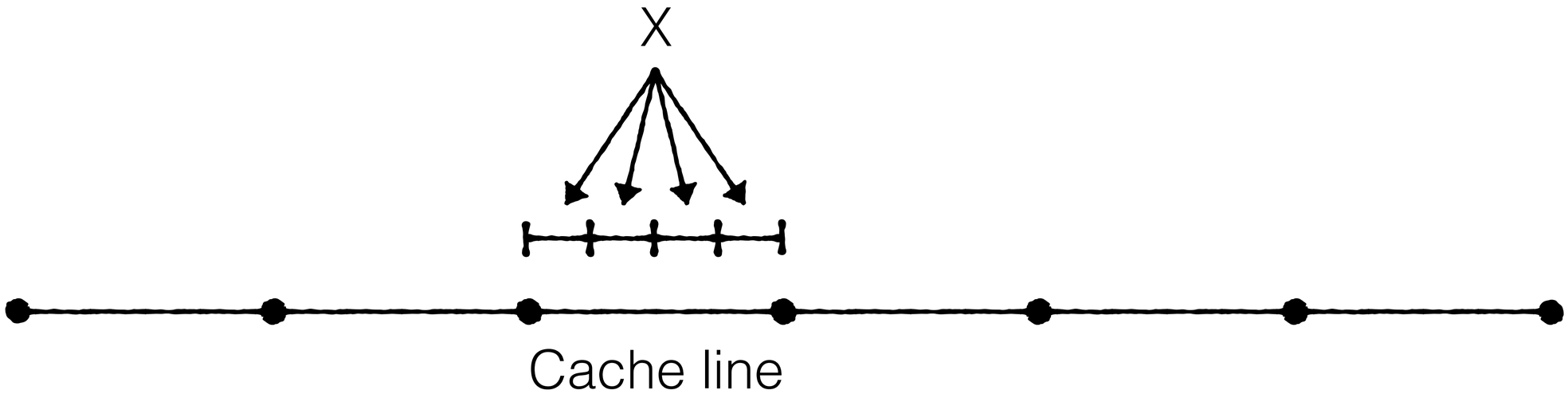
Partition into sub-lines



Cache line

SIMD

Map one hash per sub-line



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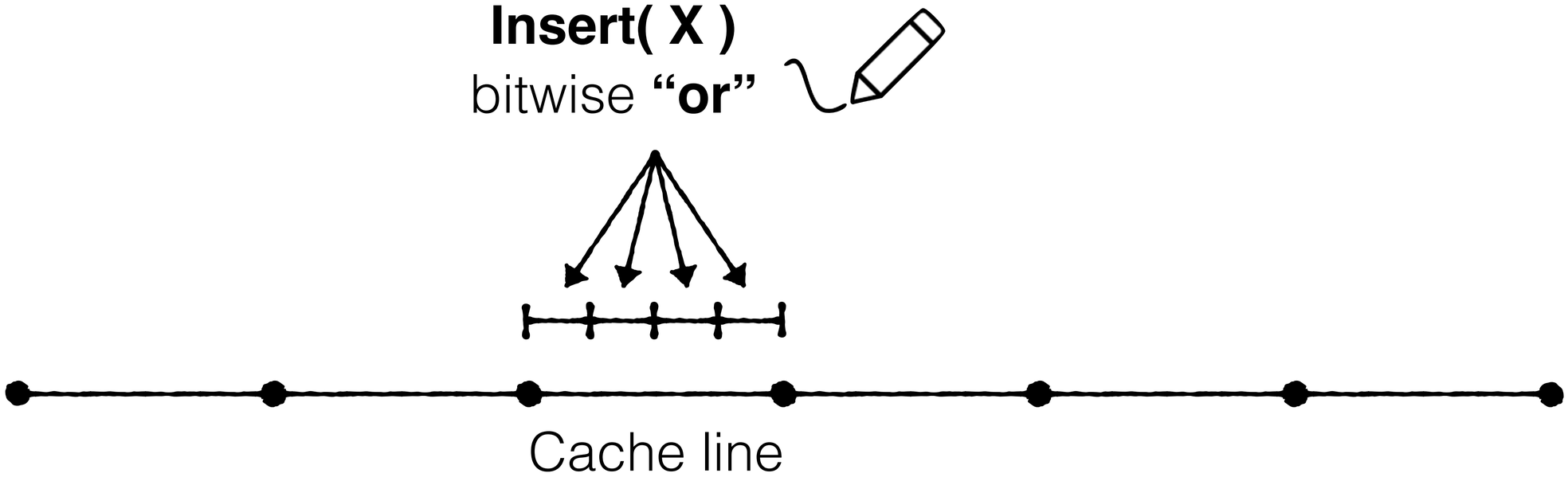

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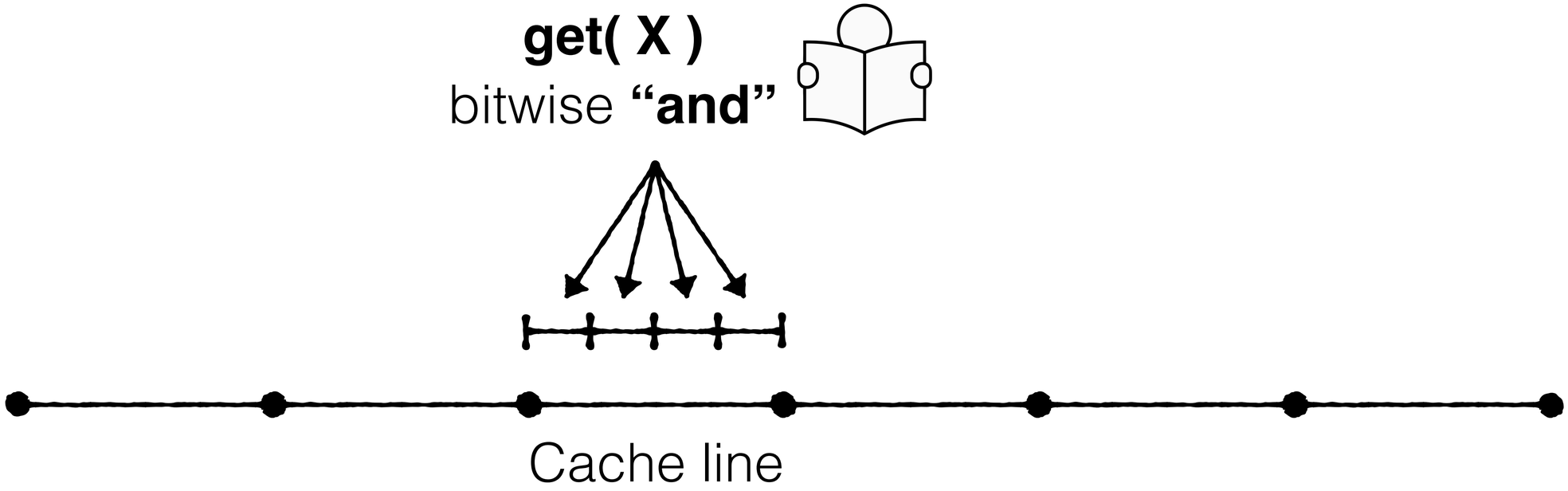


Blocking and SIMD

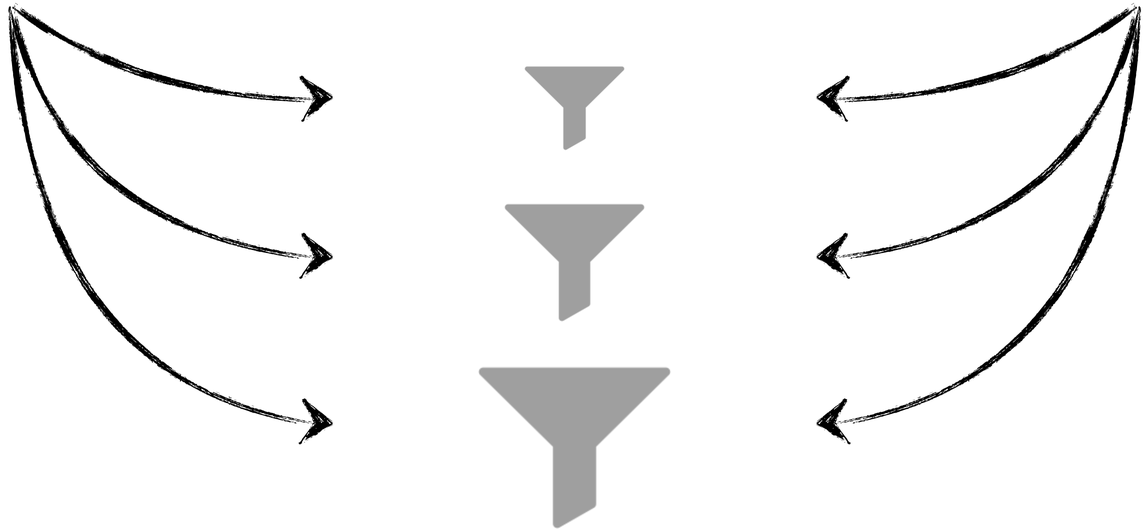
get

$\mathbf{O(\ M + \log_T N\ )}$

Bloom filters

Insert

$\mathbf{O(\ T \cdot M \cdot \log_T N\ )}$



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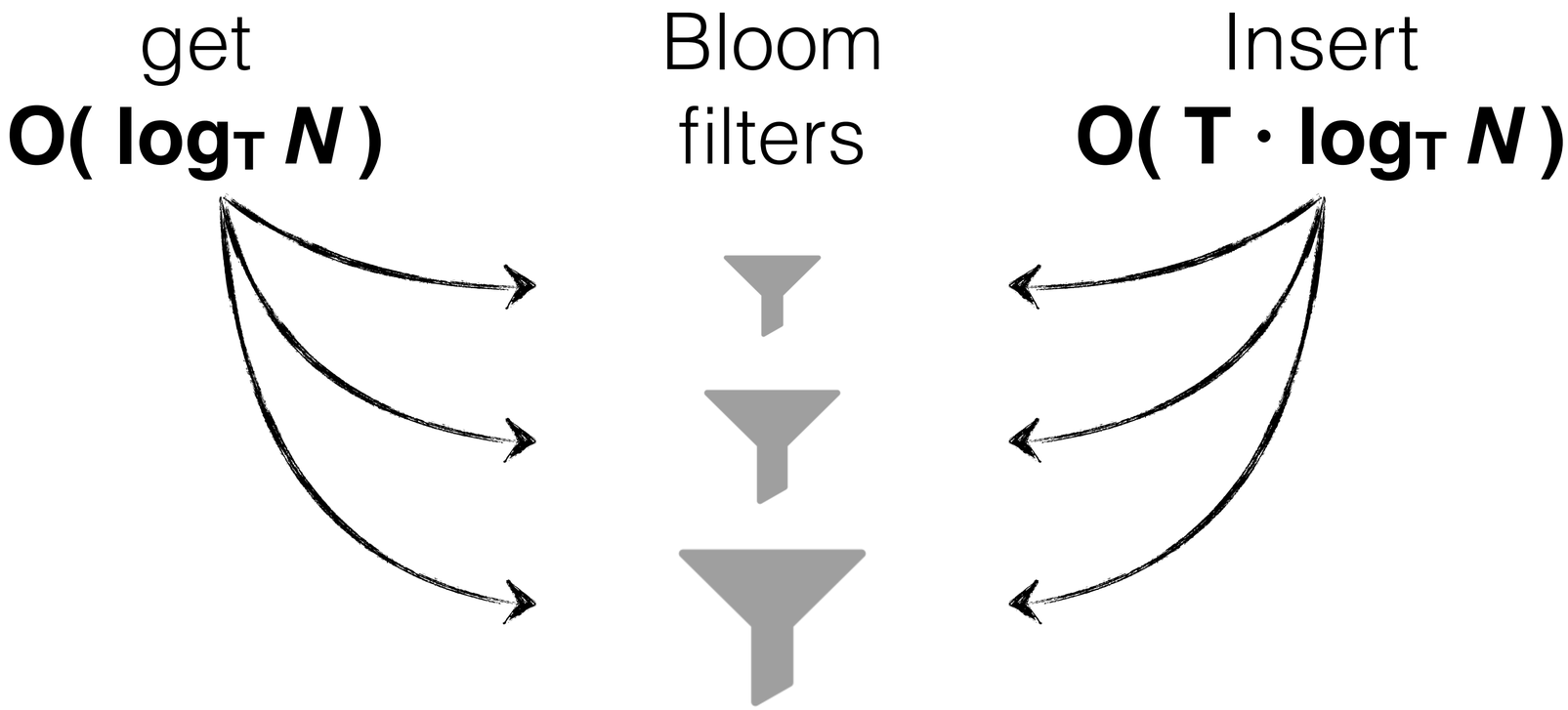
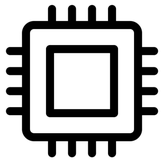


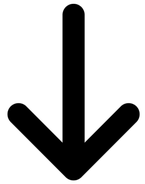
5 fronts

Holistic Tuning

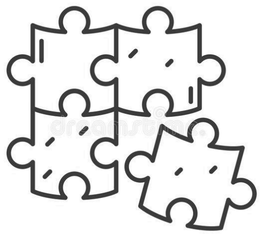
CPU



Improving Constants



Unification



Range

Improving Constants

	Bloom	Ideal
		
False positive rate	$\approx 2^{-M \cdot \ln(2)}$	$\approx 2^{-M}$

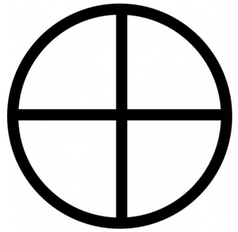
	Bloom	Ideal
False positive rate	 $\approx 2^{-M \cdot \mathbf{0.69}}$	 $\approx 2^{-M}$

Can we improve this?

Bloom

$\approx 2^{-M} \cdot \mathbf{0.69}$

XOR



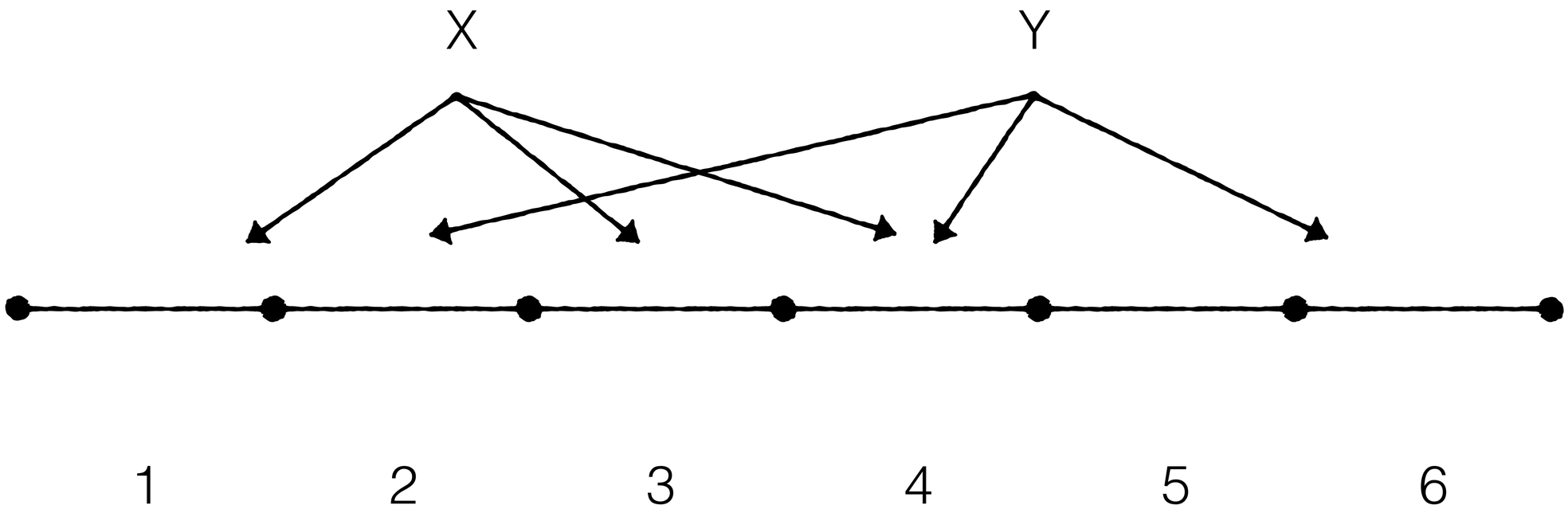
Ideal

$\approx \mathbf{2^{-M}}$

GrafJEA20

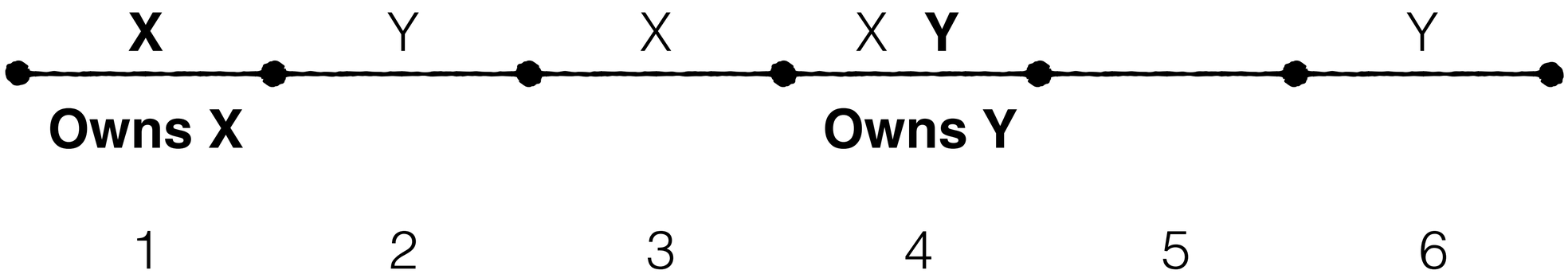
XOR Filter

Hash each entry to three buckets



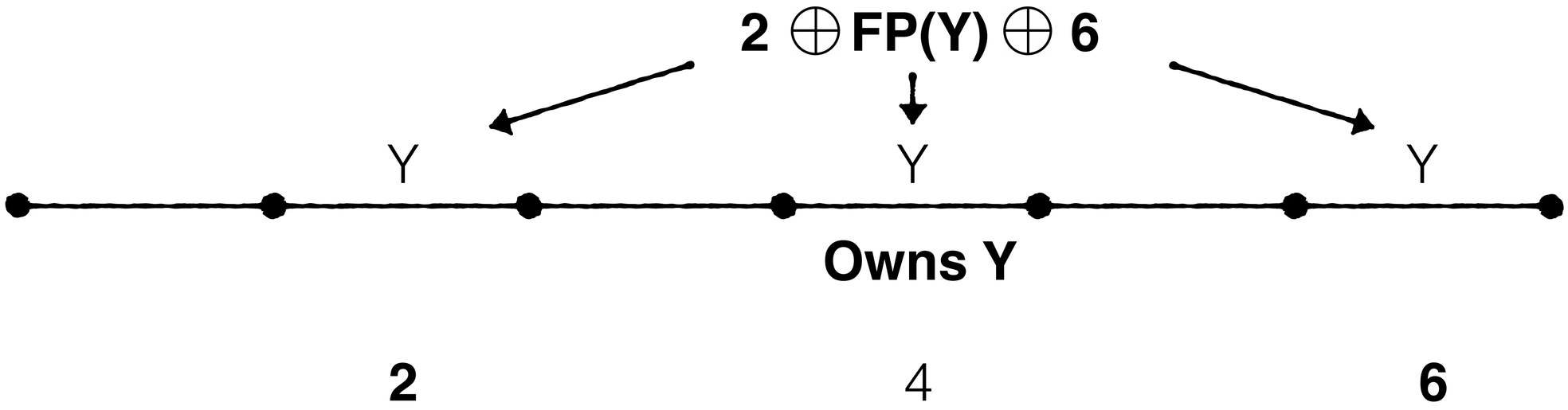
XOR Filter

Assign one bucket to own each entry



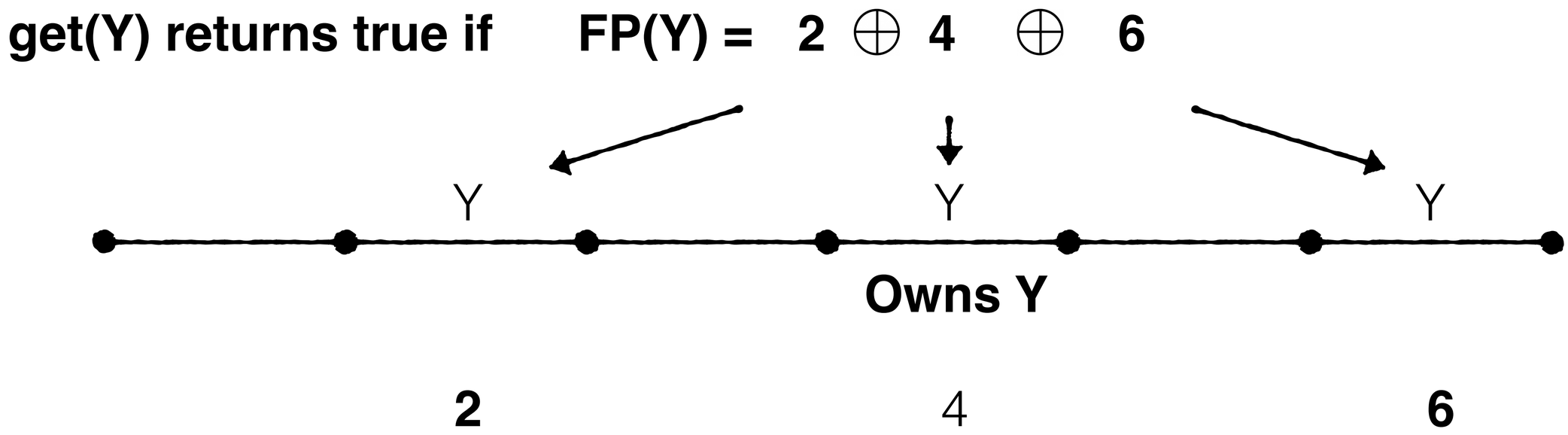
XOR Filter

Each bucket stores XOR of fingerprint and other two buckets



XOR Filter

During queries, recover fingerprints by xoring three buckets



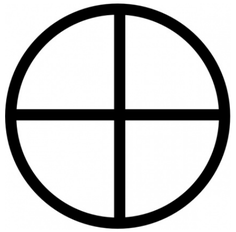
XOR Filter

free space ensures each bucket can own one entry

Bloom

$\approx 2^{-M} \cdot 0.69$

XOR



$\approx 2^{-M \cdot 0.81}$

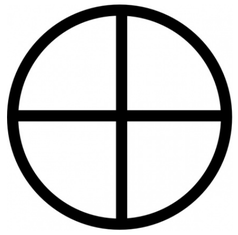
Idealized

$\approx 2^{-M}$

Bloom

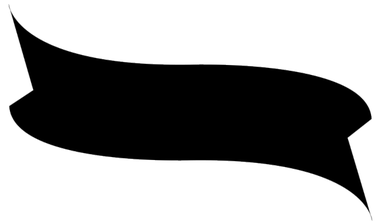
$\approx 2^{-M \cdot 0.69}$

XOR



$\approx 2^{-M \cdot 0.81}$

Ribbon



$\boldsymbol{\approx 2^{-M \cdot 0.92}}$

Idealized

$\approx 2^{-M}$

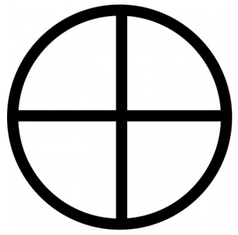
Denser XOR filter

DillingerSEA22

Bloom

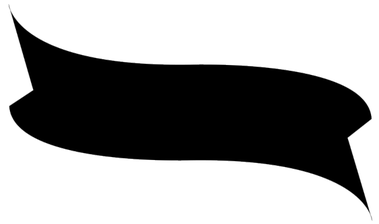
$\approx 2^{-M \cdot 0.69}$

XOR



$\approx 2^{-M \cdot 0.81}$

Ribbon



$\approx 2^{-M \cdot 0.92}$

Idealized

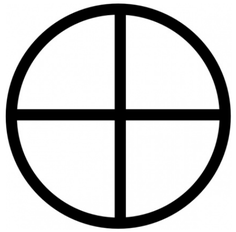
$\approx 2^{-M}$

Denser XOR filter

In RocksDB since 2020

Bloom

XOR



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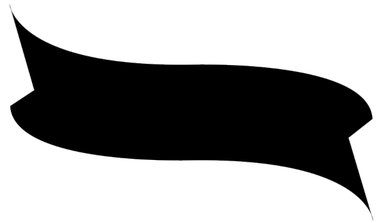


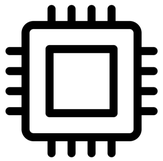
Lower CPU

Lower false positive rate

5 fronts

Holistic Tuning

CPU



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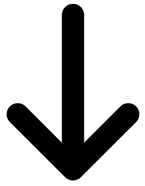

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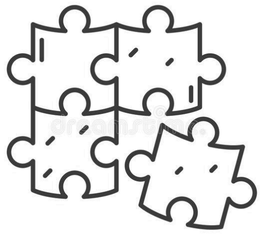

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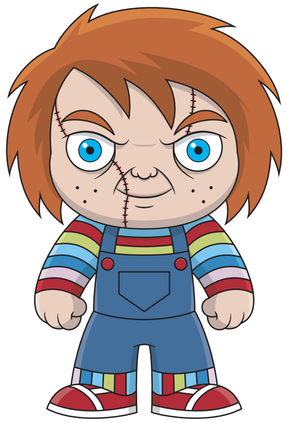

Chucky

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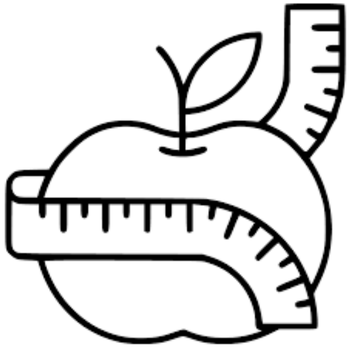

SlimDB

RenVLDB17

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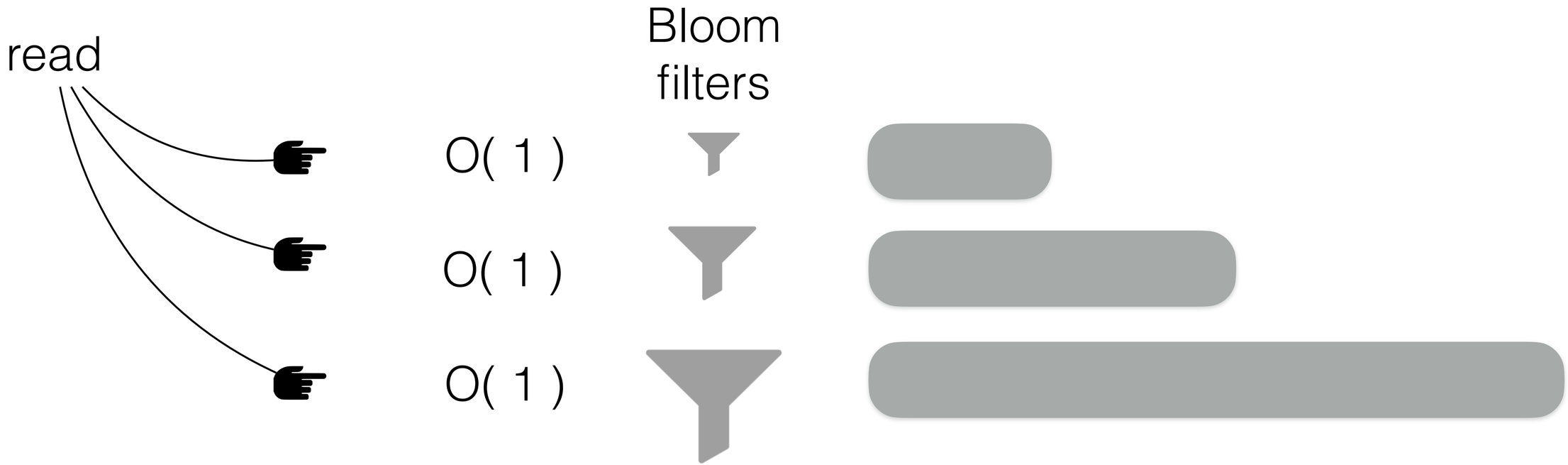

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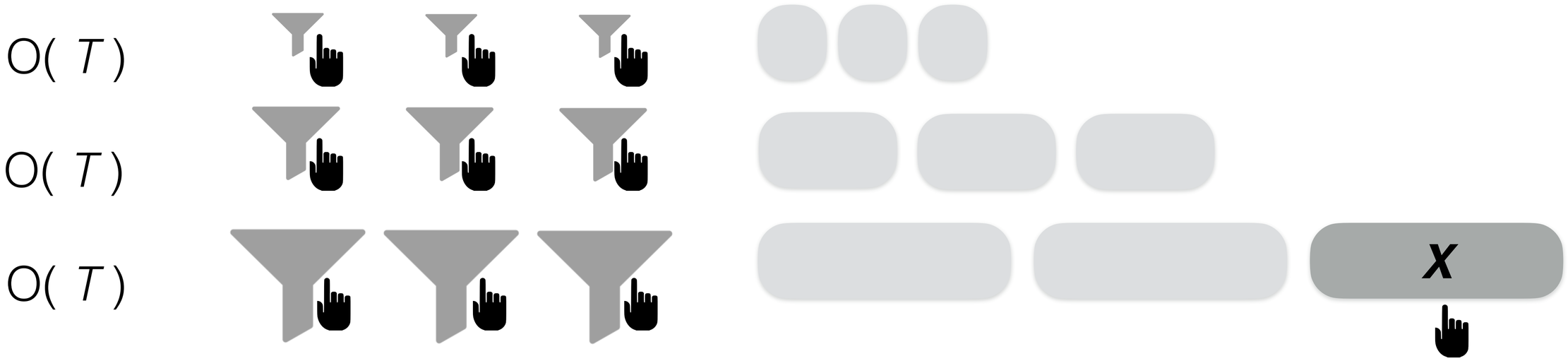

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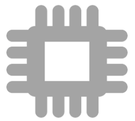

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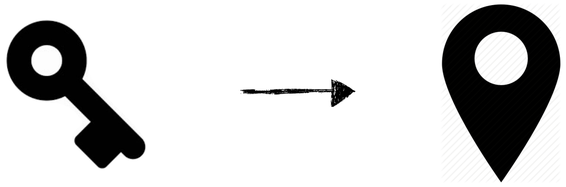
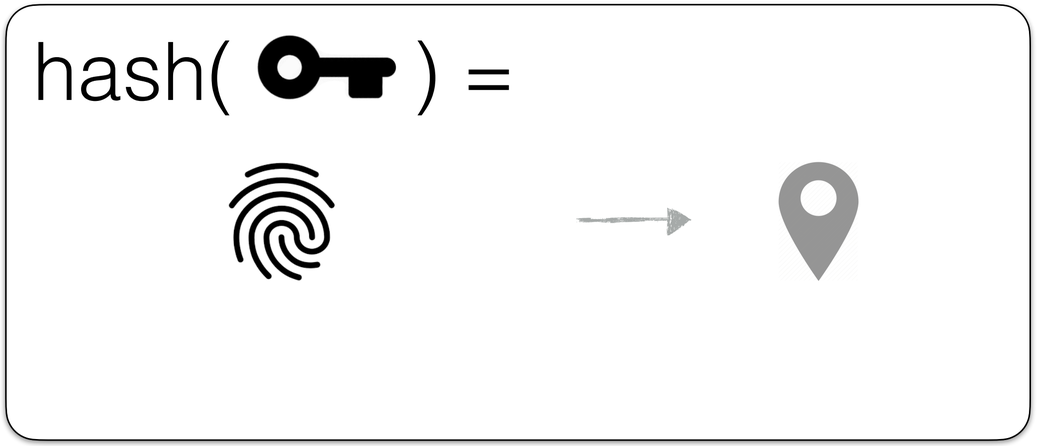


key **Level ID**

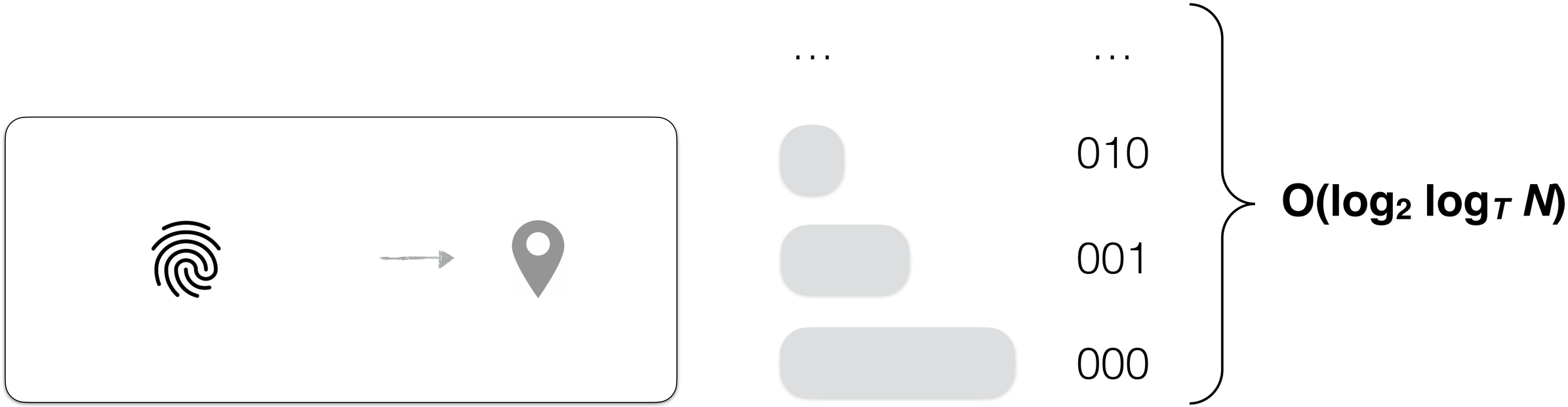
hash() =



cuckoo filter

$O(\log_2 \log_T N)$

Binary encoding



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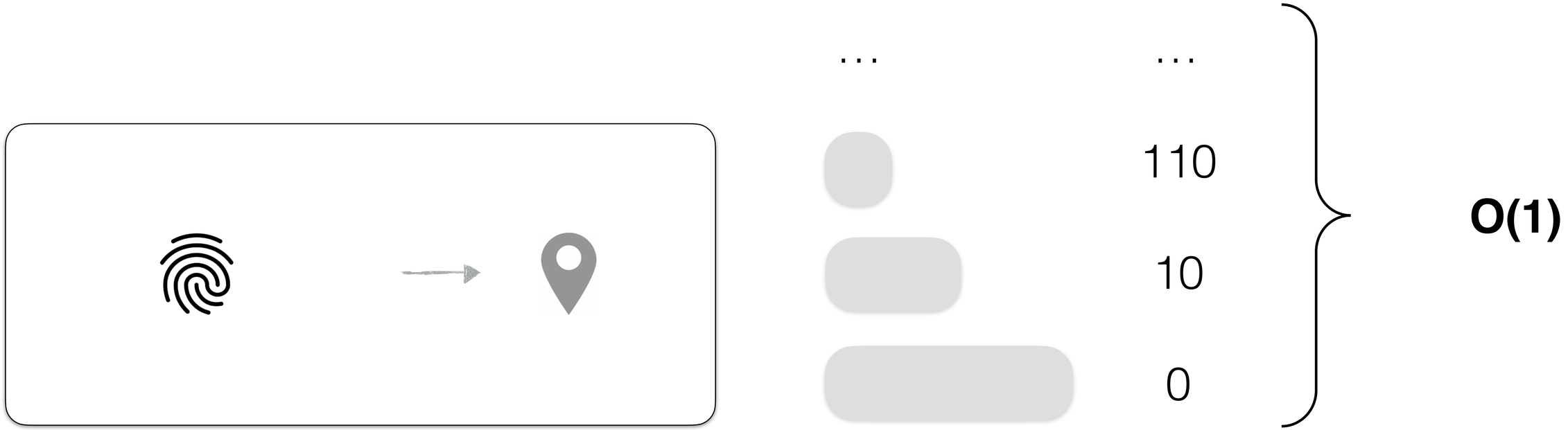

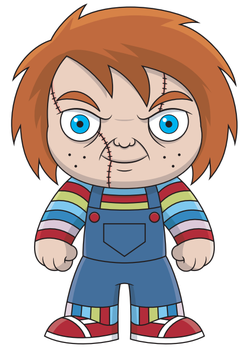

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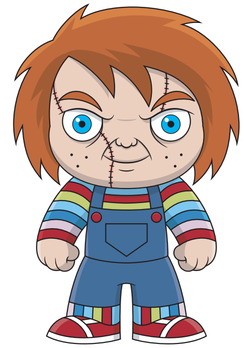
Get I/O	$O(1+2^{-M \cdot \ln(2)})$	$O(1+2^{-M+3})$
Get CPU	**$O(\log_T N)$**	**O(1)**



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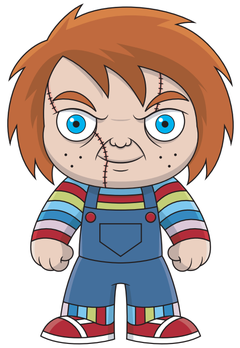

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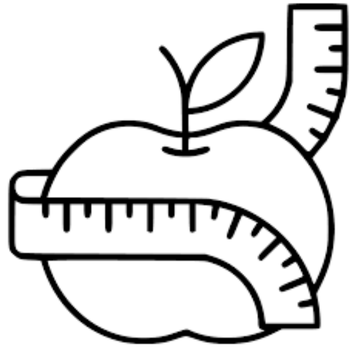


SlimDB

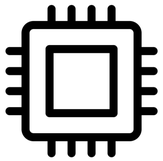
Get I/O	$O(1+2^{-M+3})$	**O(1)**
Memory	M	**$M + 2^{-M} \cdot \log_2(N)$**

Keeps full key in memory whenever fingerprints collide

5 fronts

Holistic Tuning

CPU



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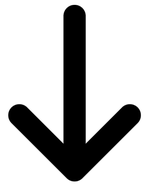

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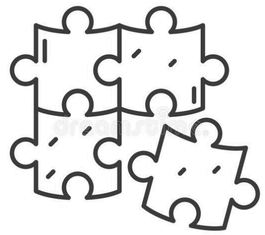

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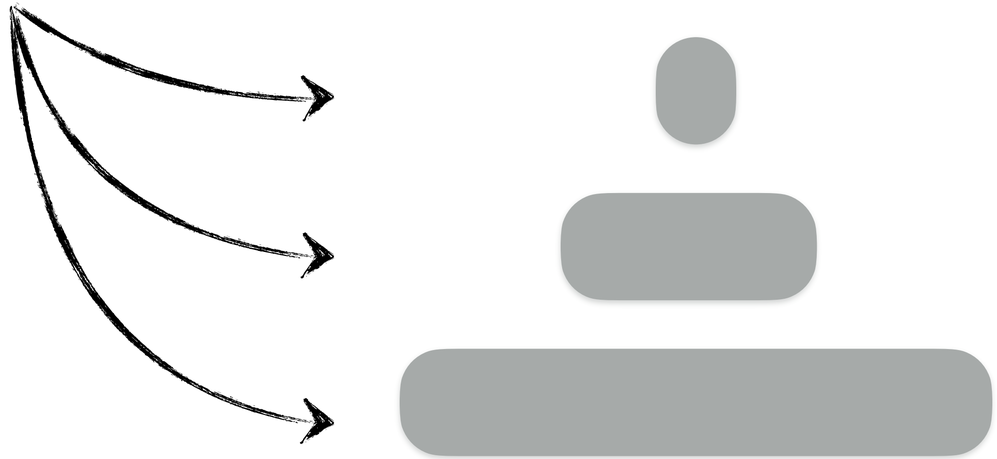
Range Filtering

Traditional filters do not support ranges

get(x, y)



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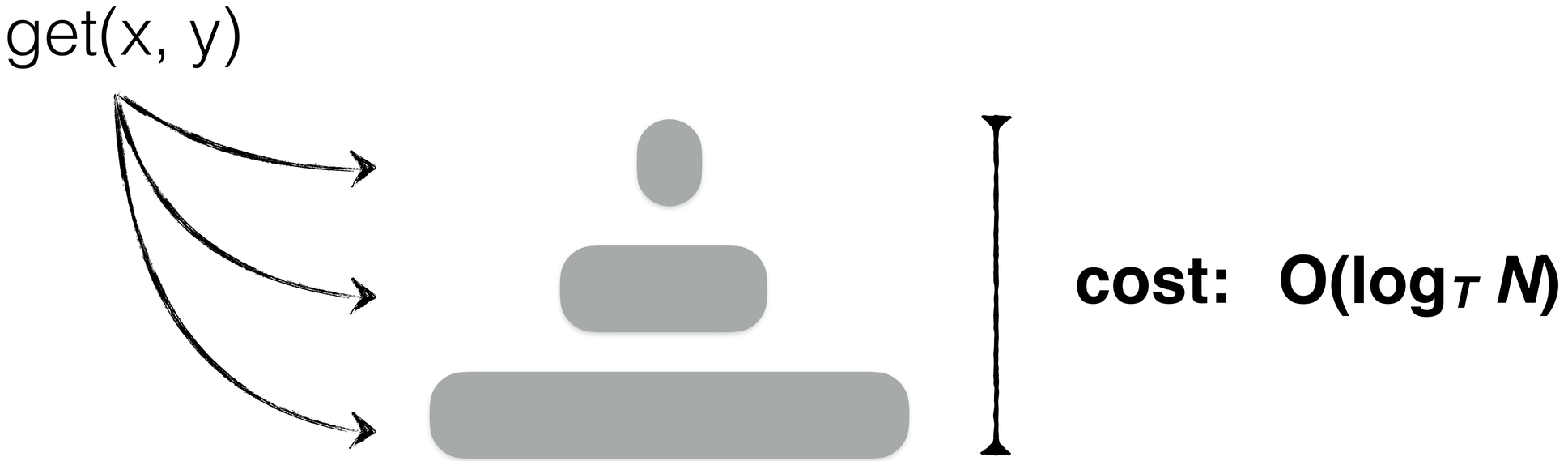


Range Filters

Prefix Filter

RocksDB20

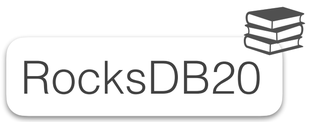
Surf

ZhangSIGMOD18

Rosetta

LouSIGMOD21

Prefix Filter



Users define prefix extraction method

Prefix Filter

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Country code

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USA1234

CAN9876

Prefix Filter

Users define prefix extraction method

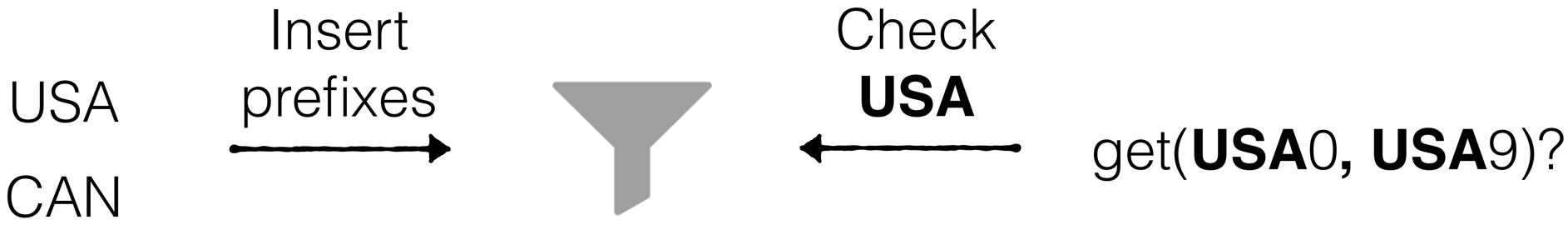
USA

CAN

Insert prefixes

Prefix Filter

Users define prefix extraction method



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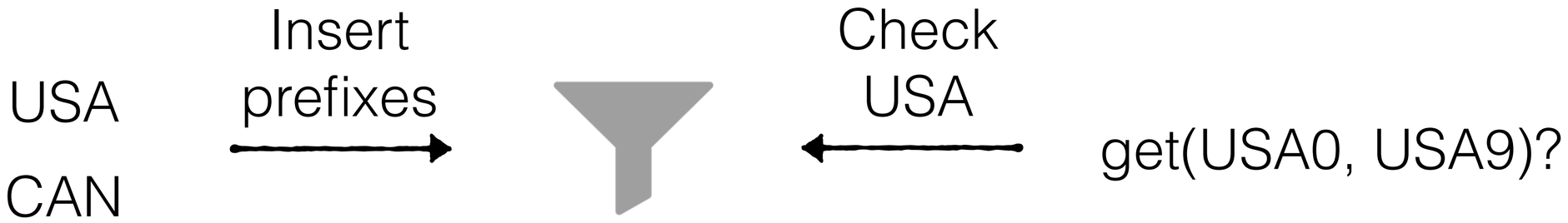
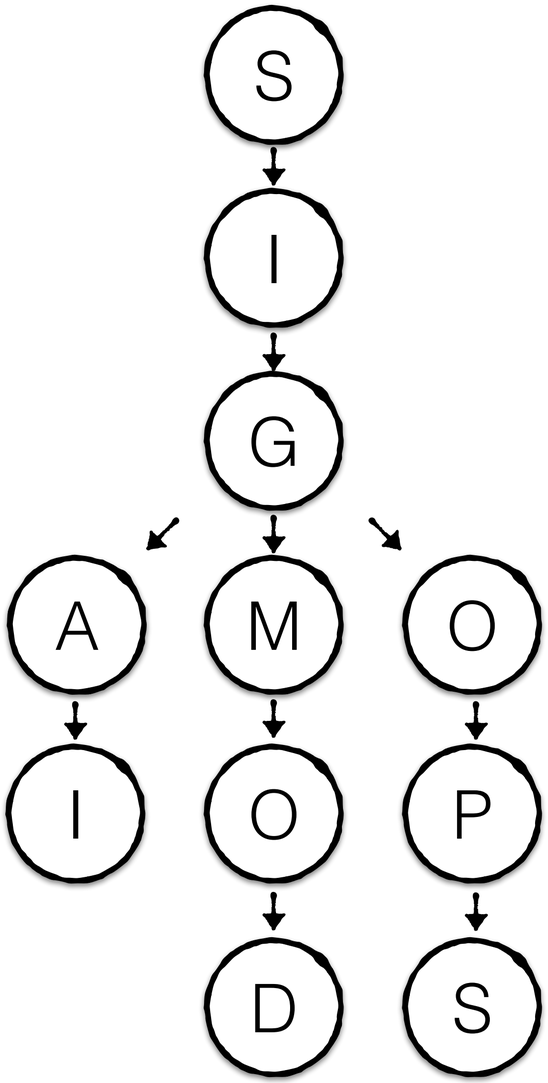


Non-generic and requires API extension

Surf

A trie of all keys



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A trie of all keys

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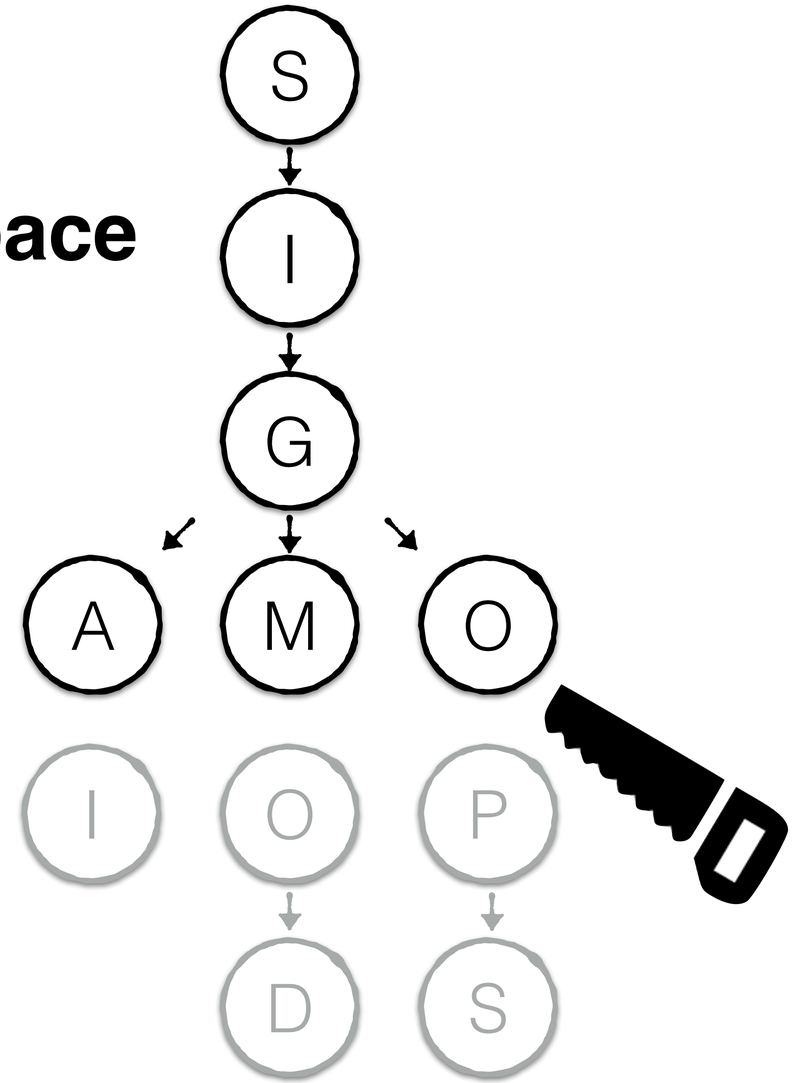

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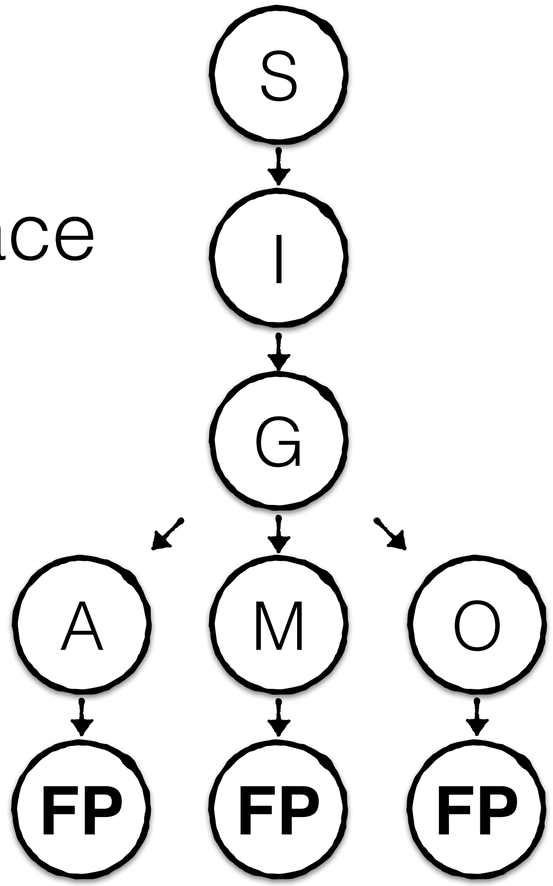

Add fingerprint for point reads

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A trie of all keys

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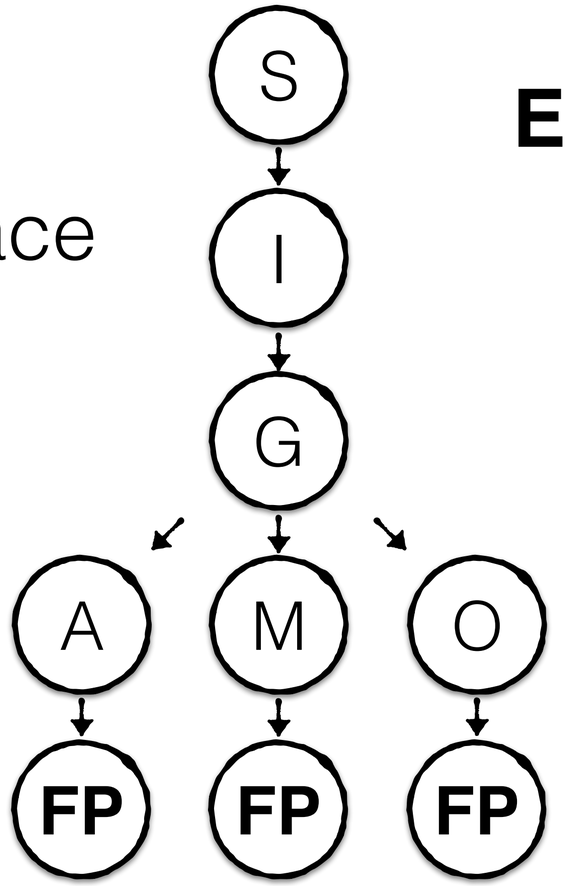
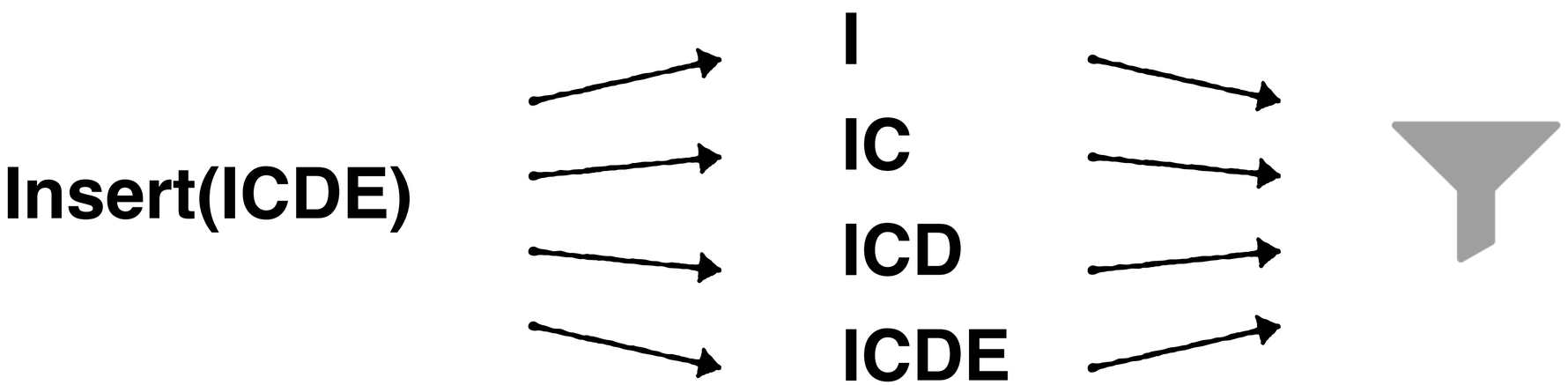


Encoded as succinct trie with rank & select

Add fingerprint for point reads

Rosetta



Add all prefixes of all keys to a Bloom filter

Rosetta

get(**ICD**E, **ICD**F) → **ICD** → 

Check largest common prefixes

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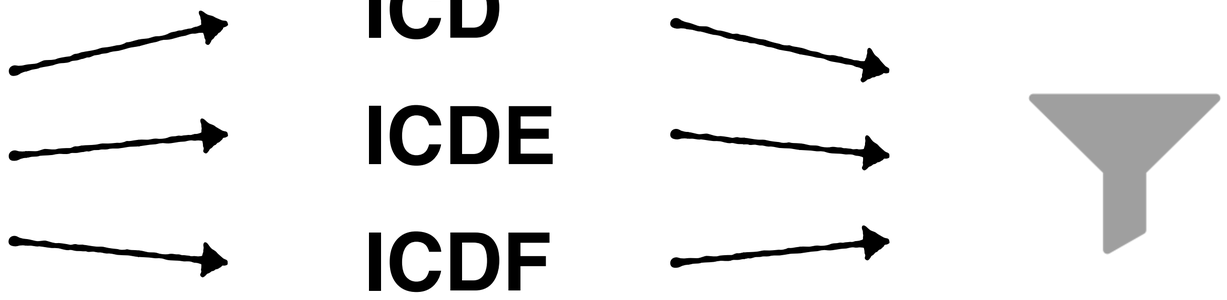
get(ICD**E**, ICD**F**)



Check largest common prefixes

Add more fine-grained checks to reduce false positive rate

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Rosetta

Better long range **Better short range**

Range Filters

Prefix Filters

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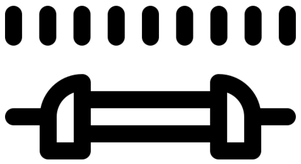

REncoder

WangICDE23

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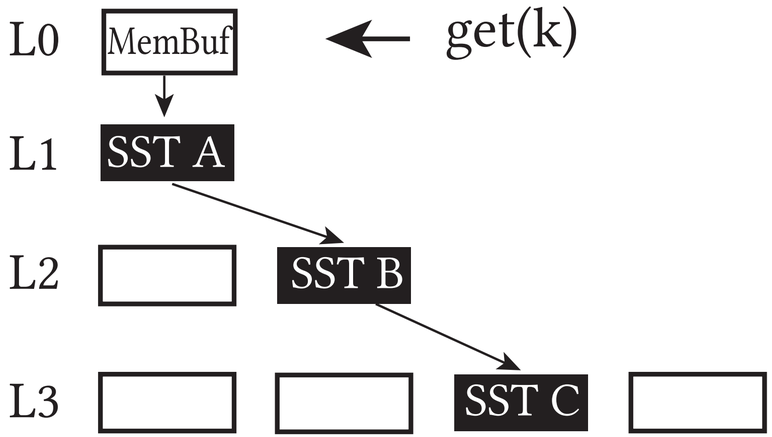

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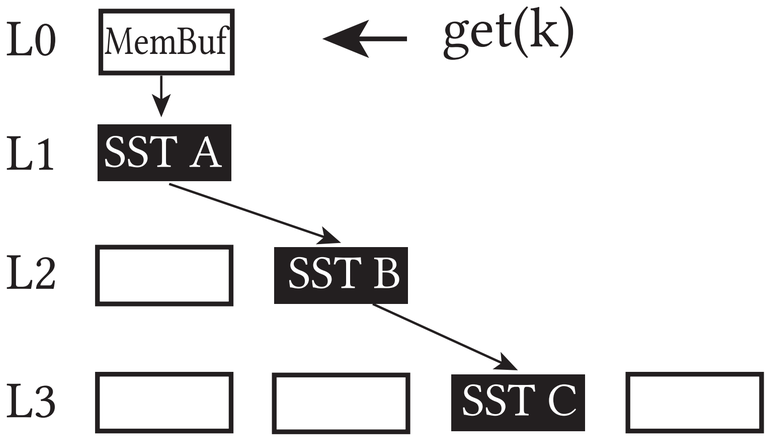

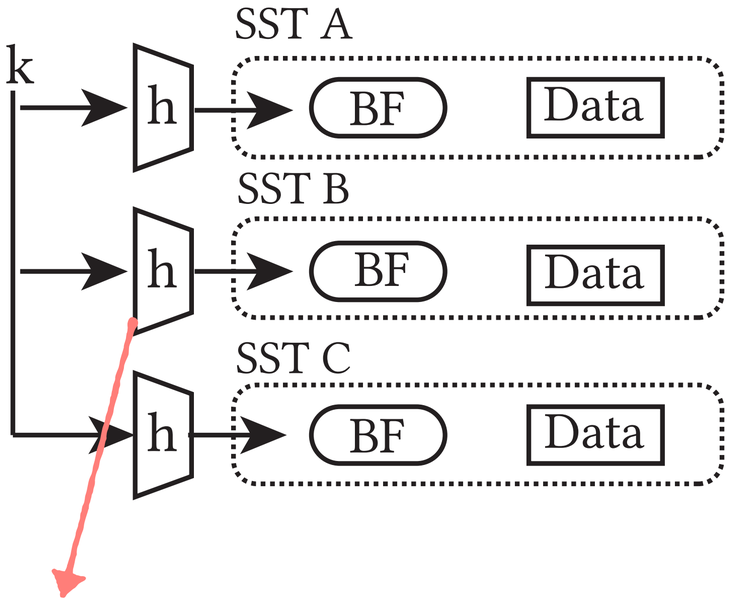

The same hash function is calculated **O(L)** times

Reducing CPU Overheads in LSMs

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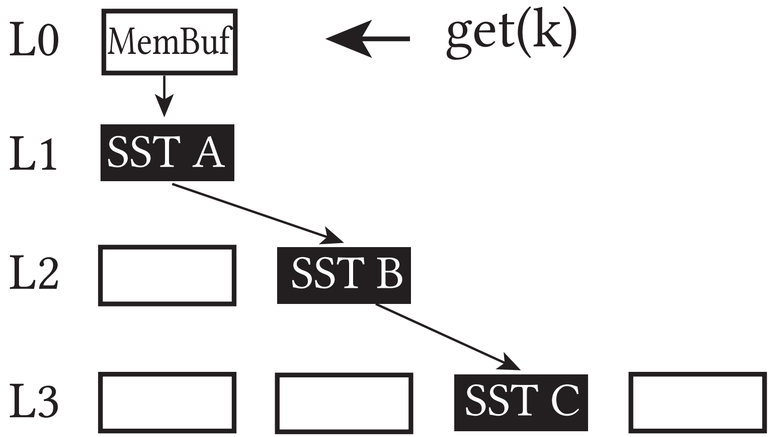

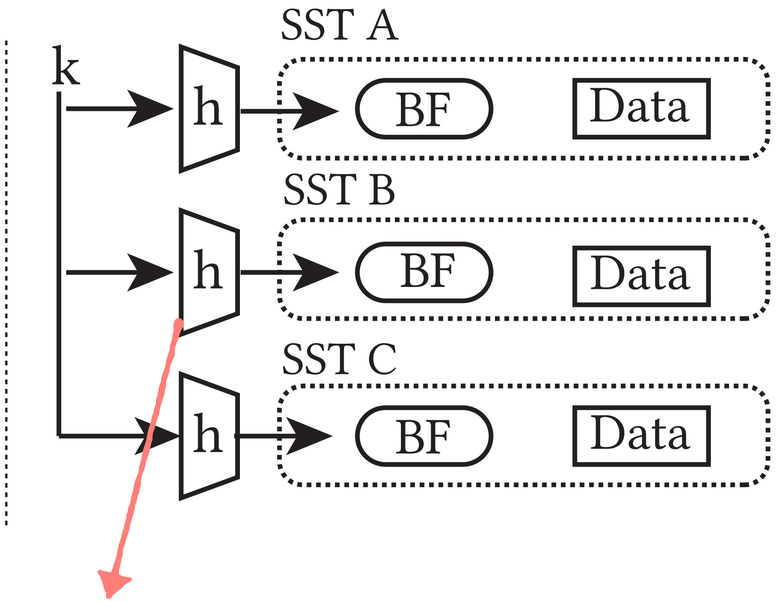

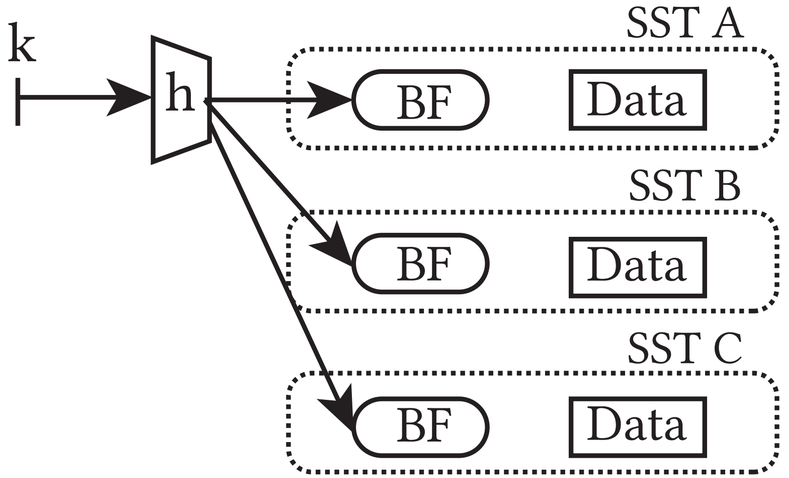

The same hash function is calculated **O(L)** times

Each key is hashed **O(1)** times

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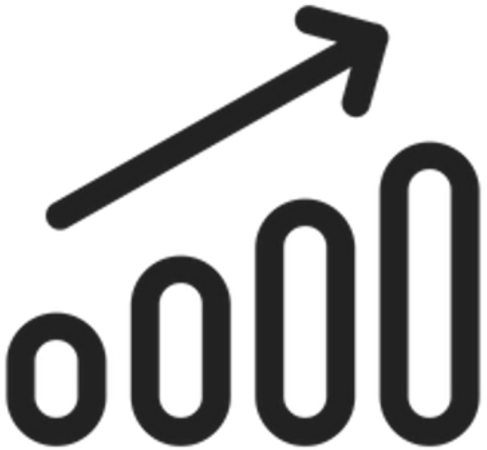
Filters under **Memory Pressure**



data size ↑

for 1TB data,
1.3GB filter &17.2GB index

1KB entry, 64B key, BPK=10

*price drop from **2010** to **today***
SSD: 60x DRAM: 10x

Filters under **Memory Pressure**

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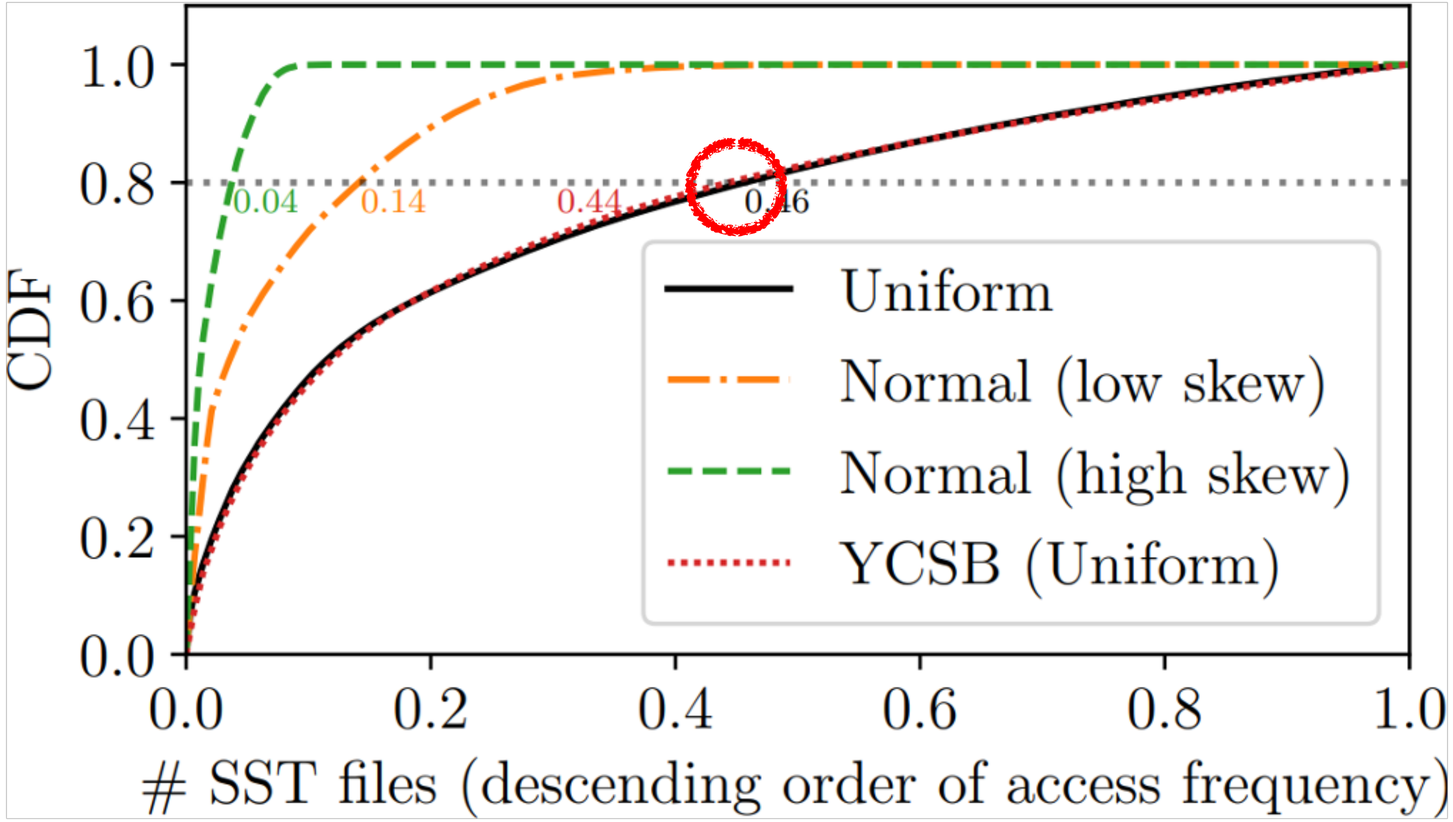

Even in a **perfectly uniform** workload,
80% of the queries access **45% of the files**

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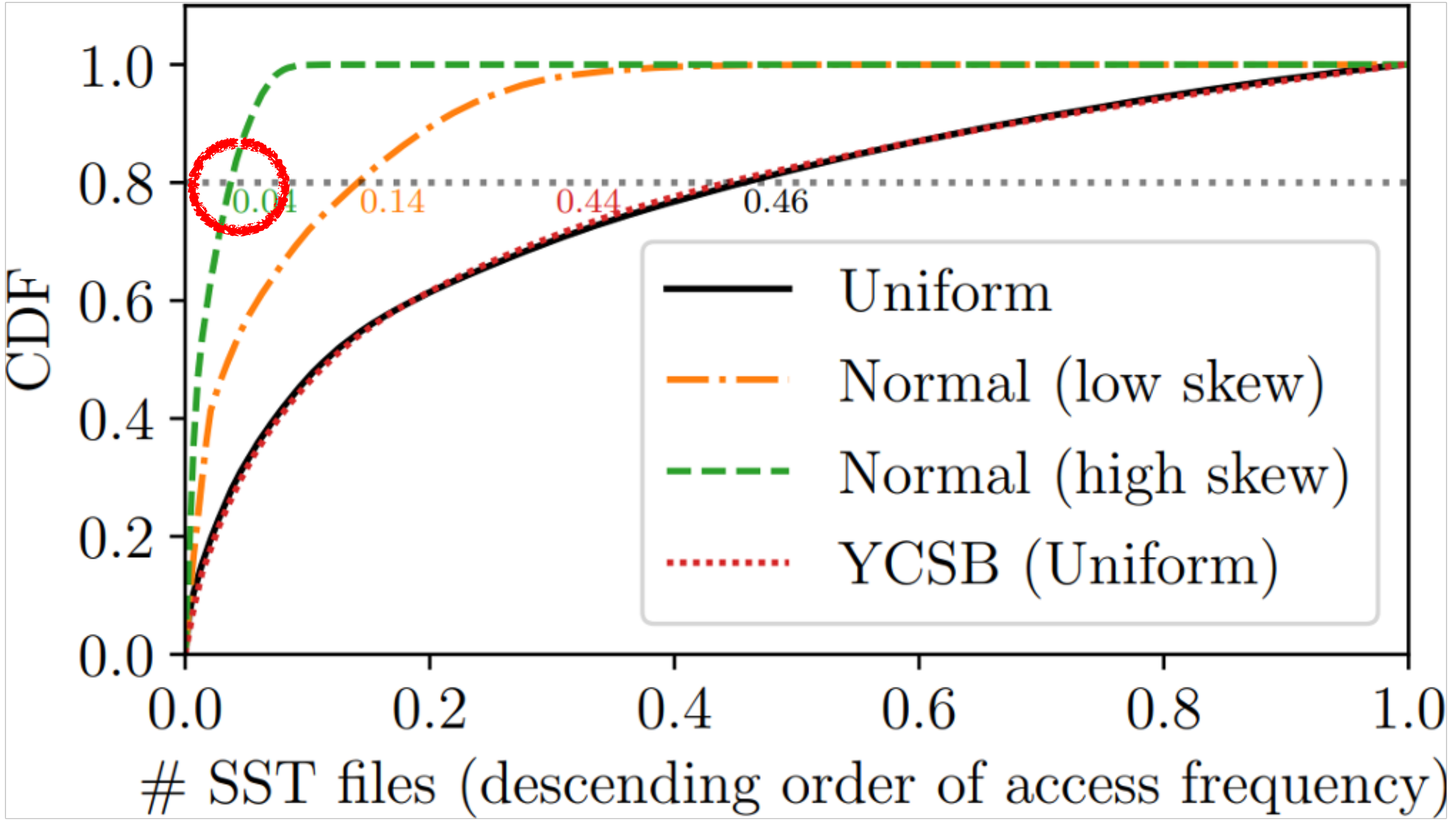

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For a **skewed** workload,

80% of the queries access less than **5% of the files**

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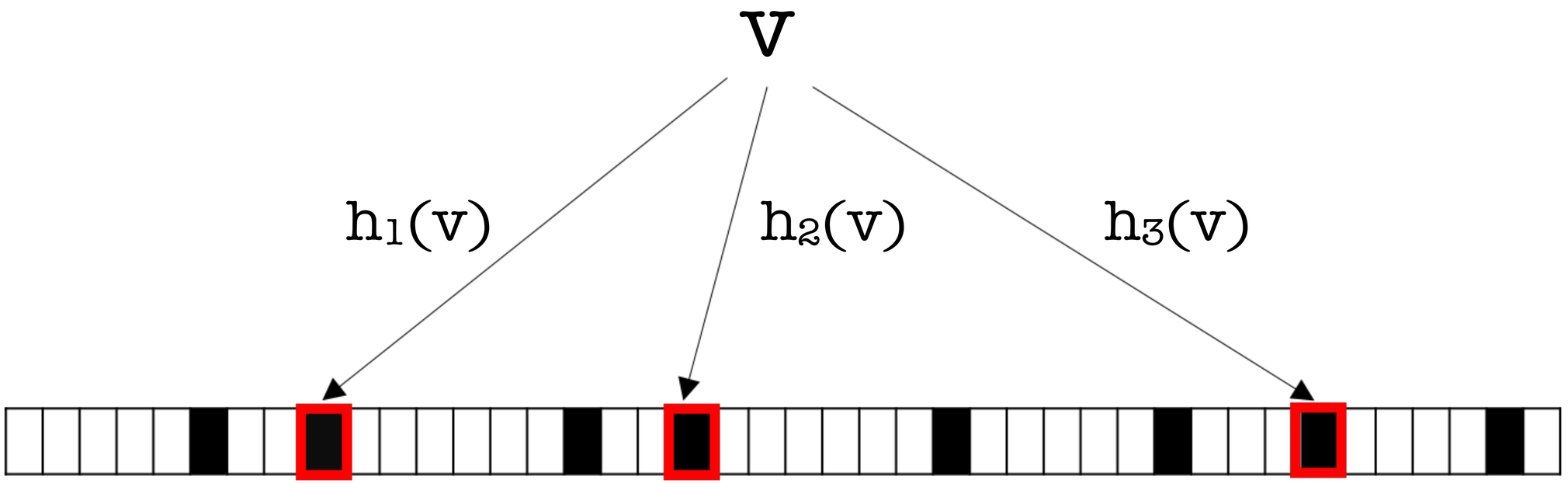

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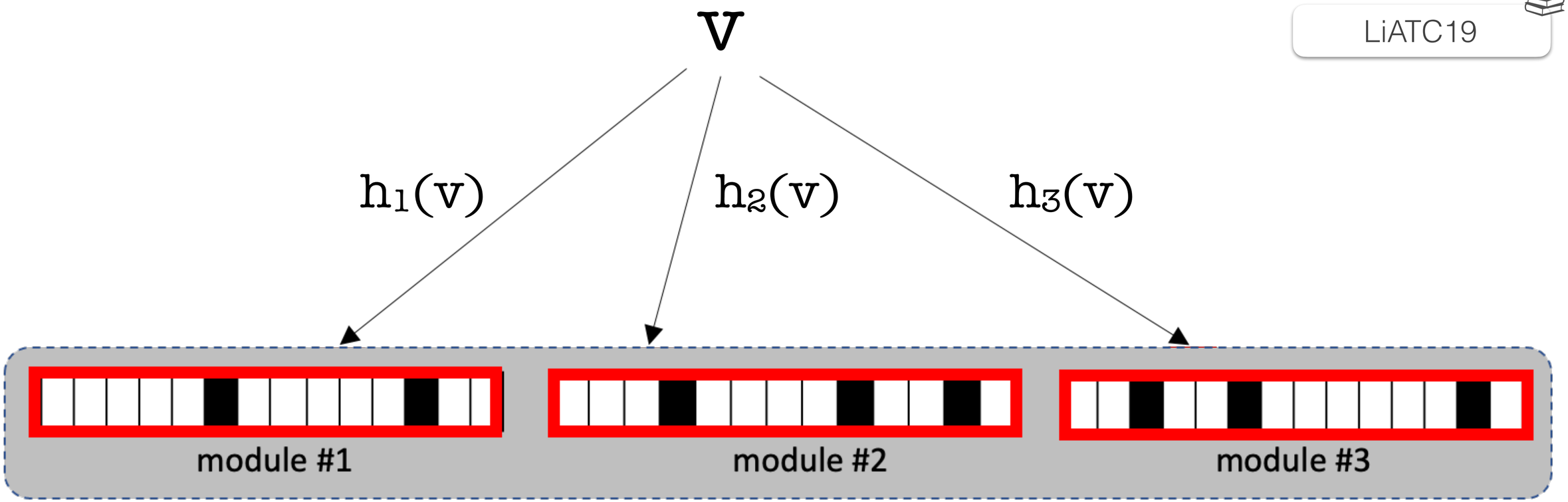

Modular Bloom filter is a collection of smaller Bloom filters

Elastic Bloom filter also works based on the same principle

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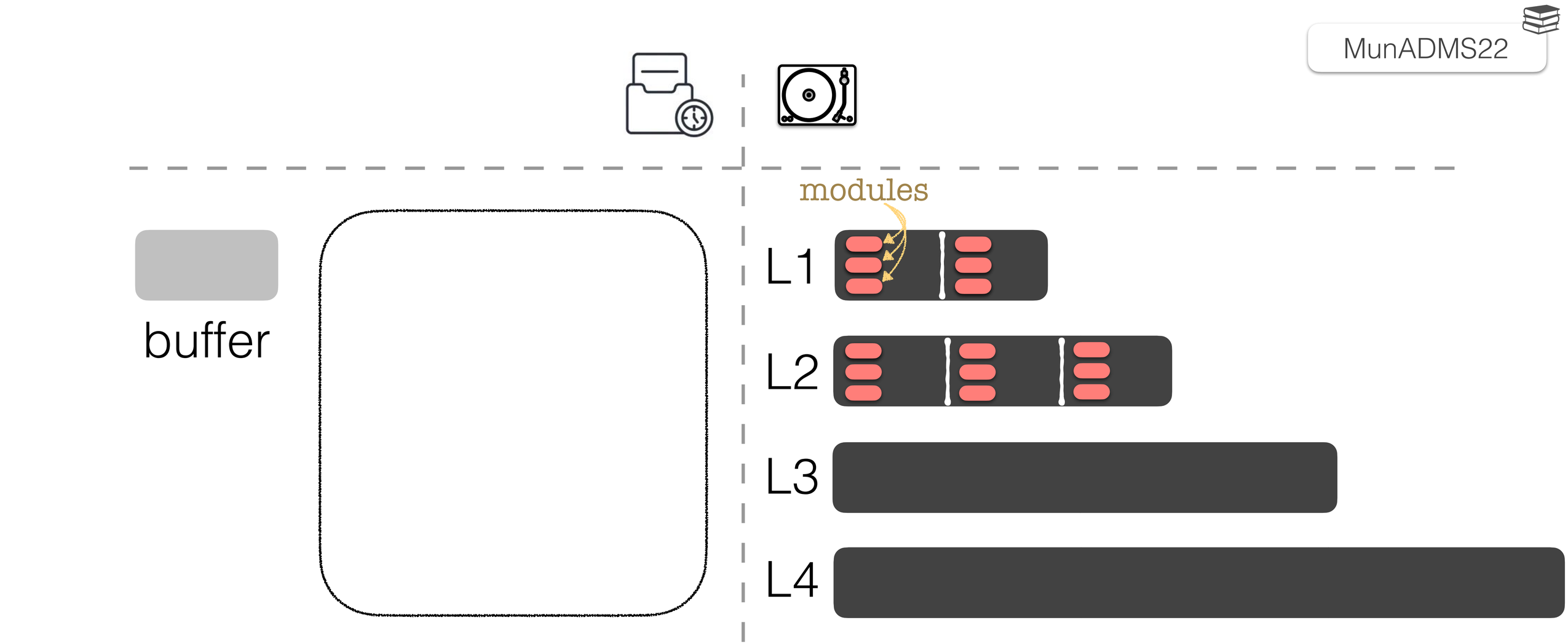

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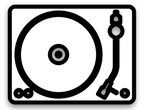

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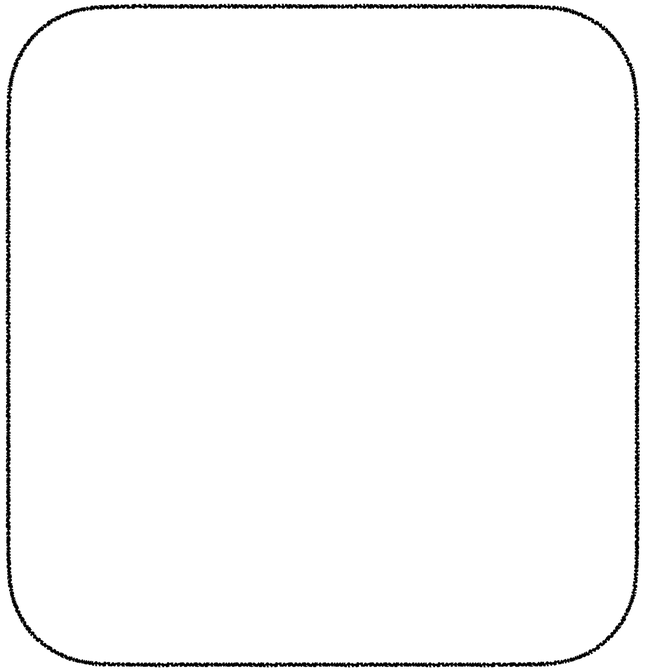

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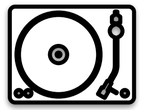

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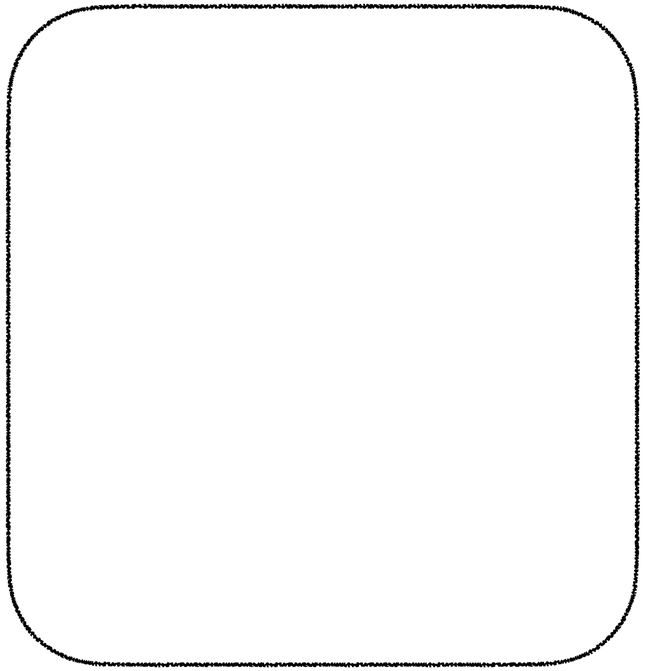

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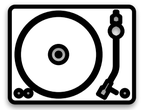

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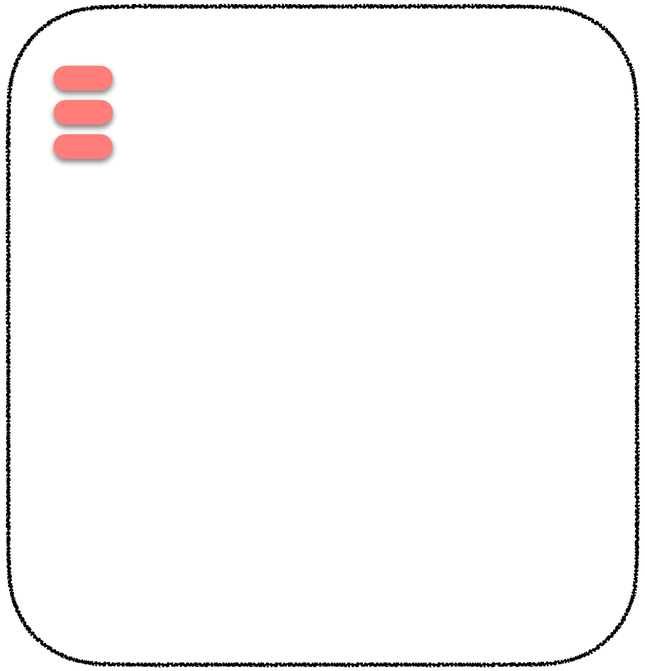

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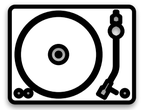

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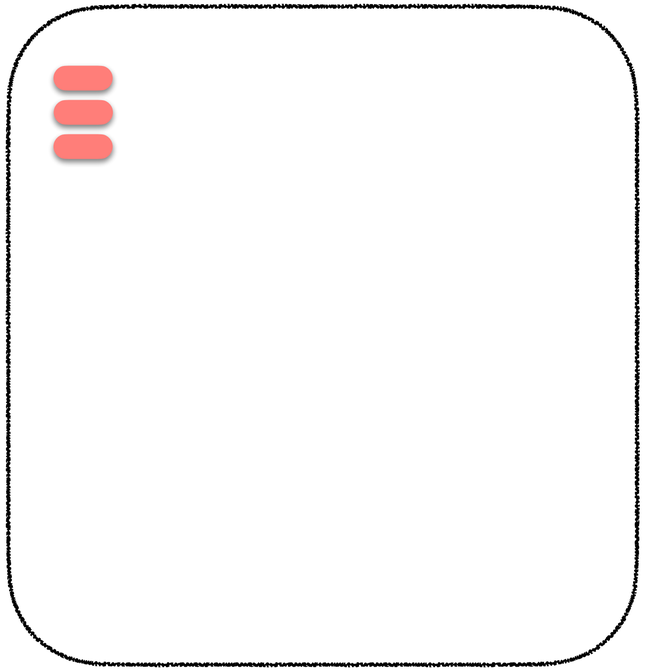

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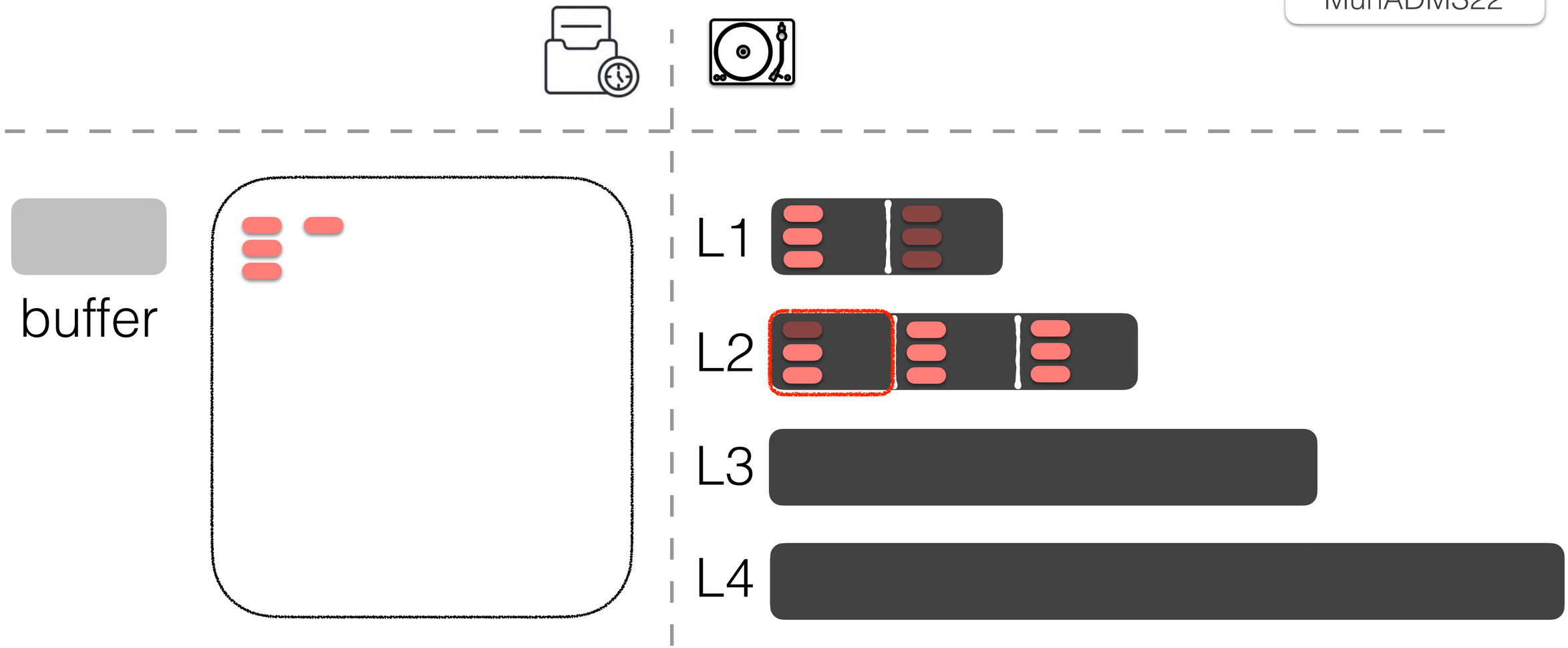

Overall, **better performance** with **smaller memory budget**

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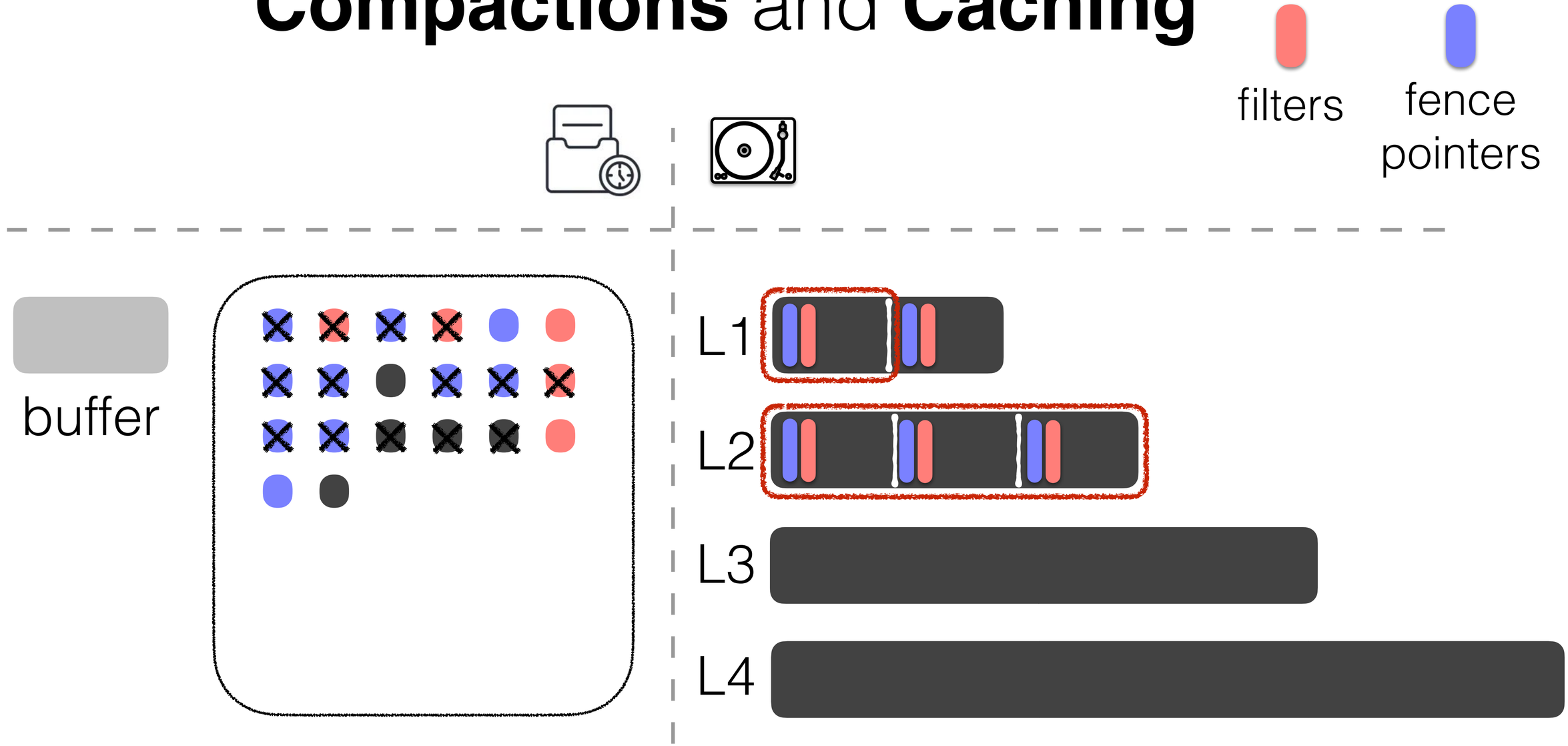

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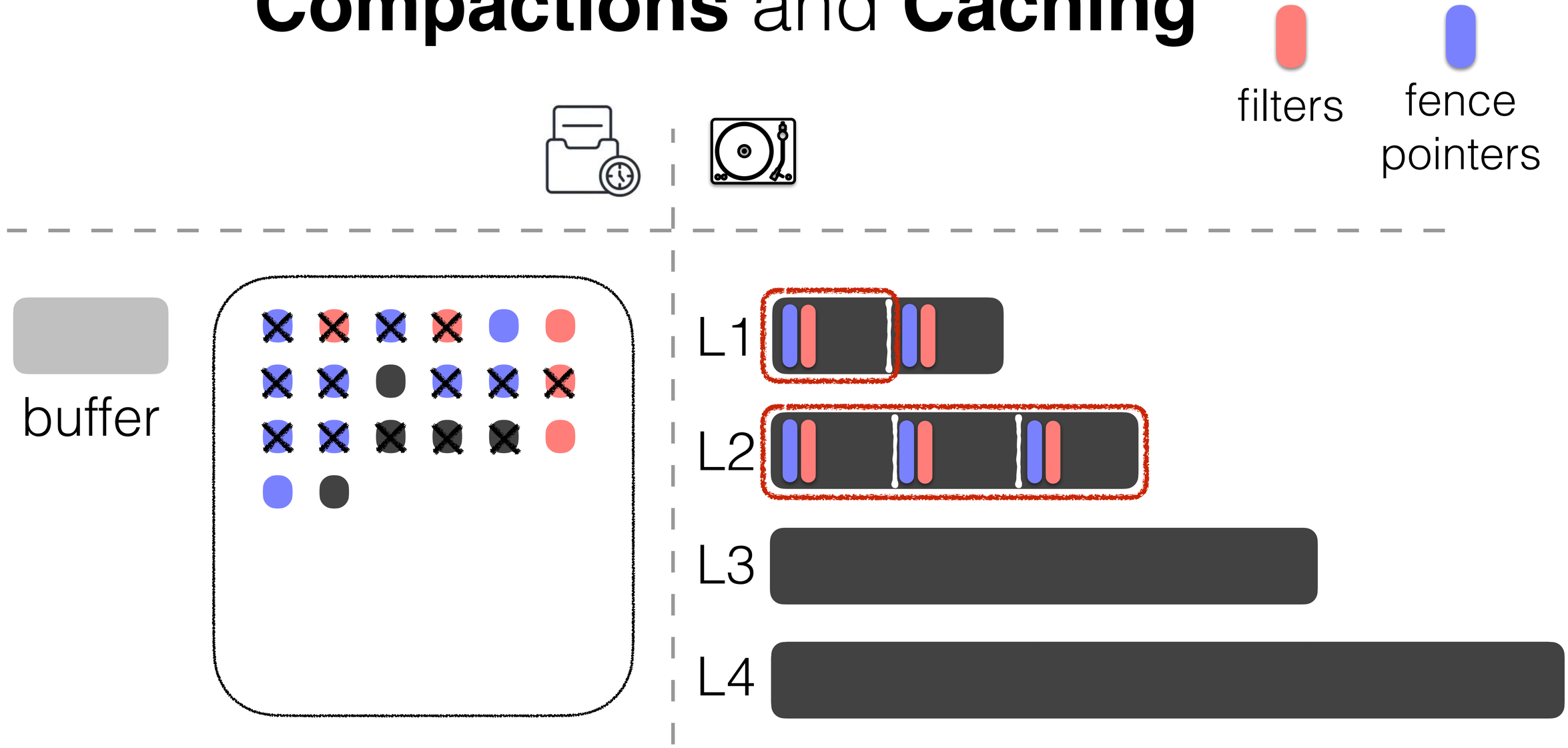

Leaper : A learned pre-fetcher that improves reads

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Outline

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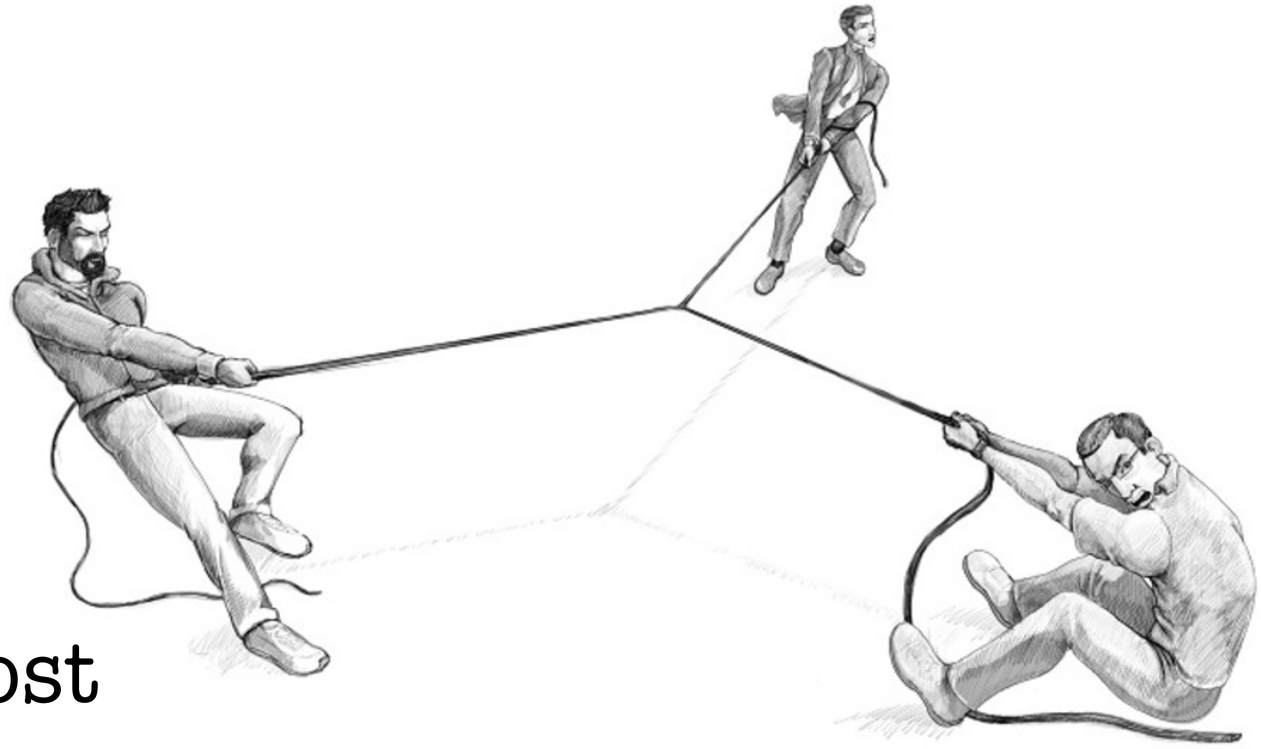
Part 3: **Navigating the LSM Design Space**

LSM **Design Space**

LSM **Design Space**

Update cost



Read cost

Memory/space footprint

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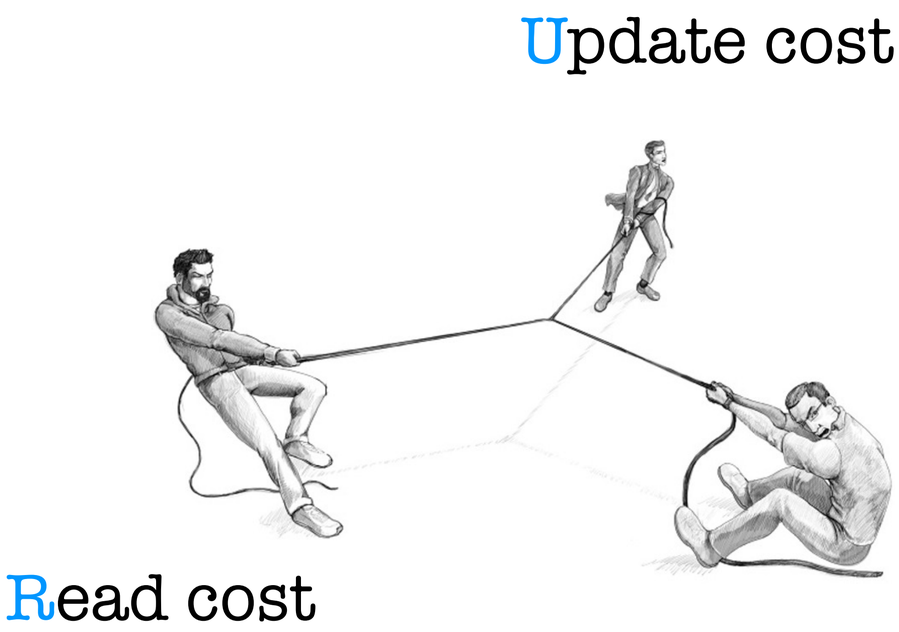

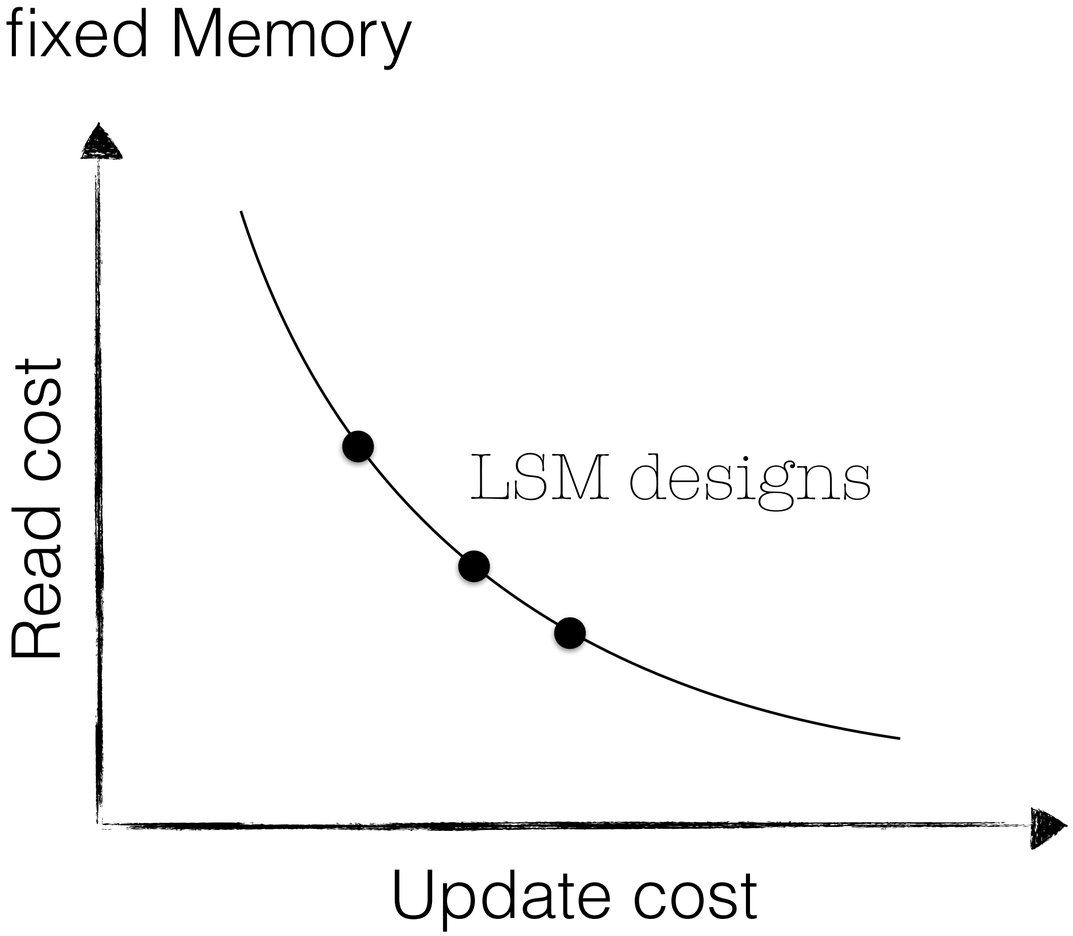

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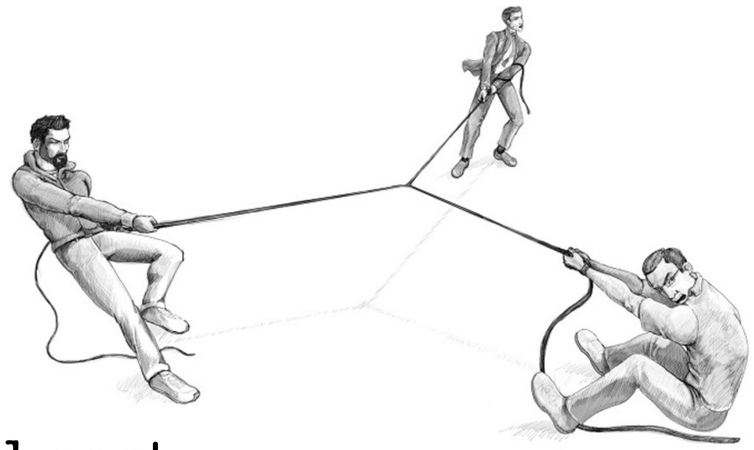

Read cost

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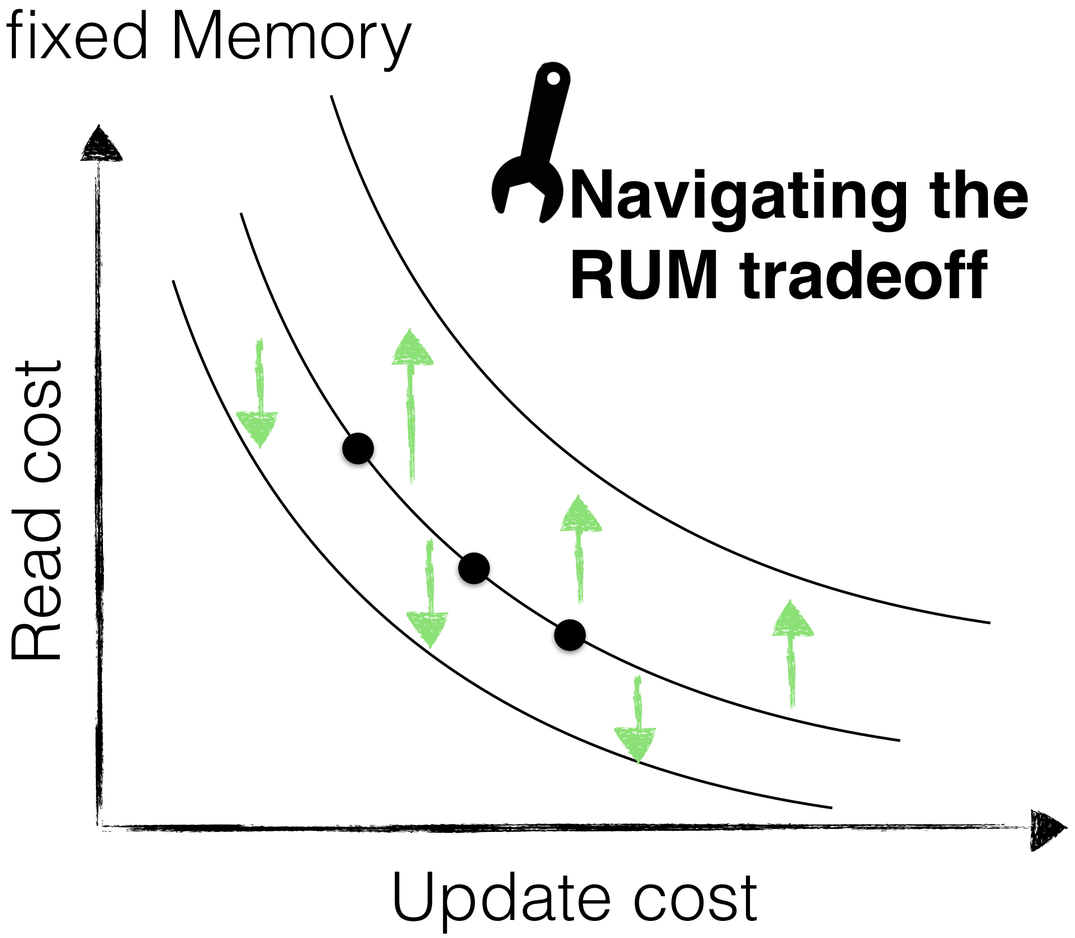

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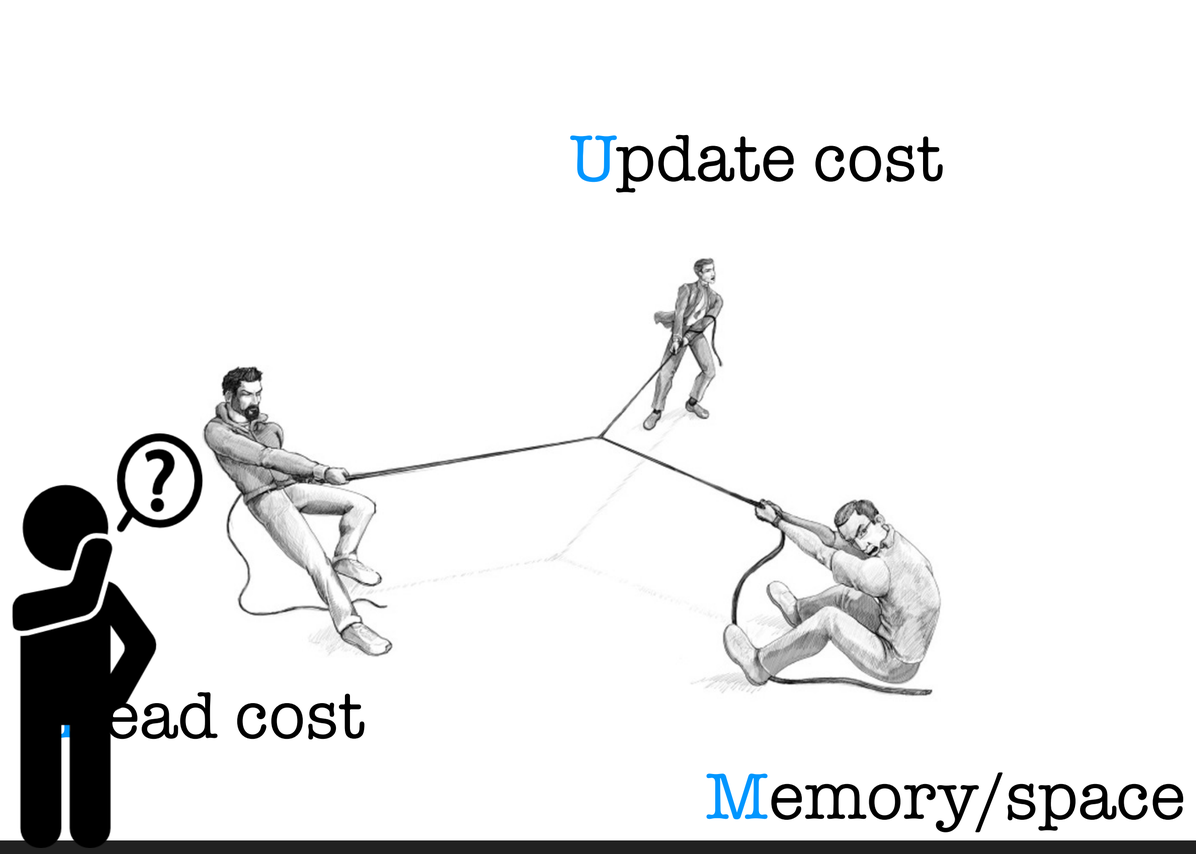

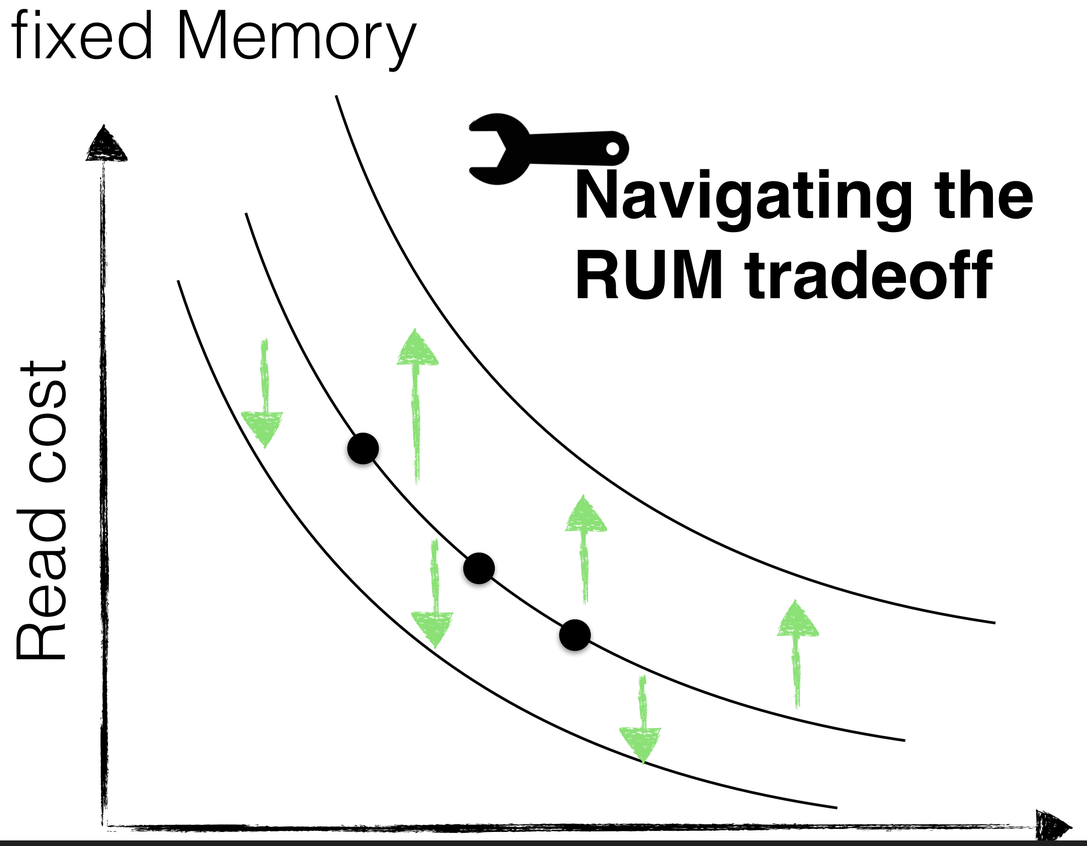

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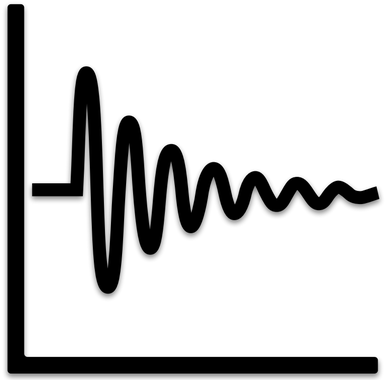

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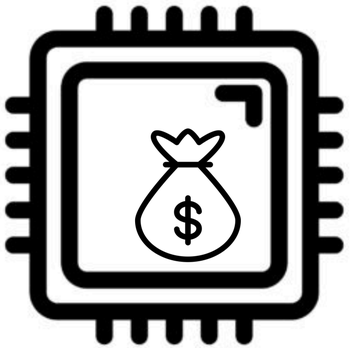

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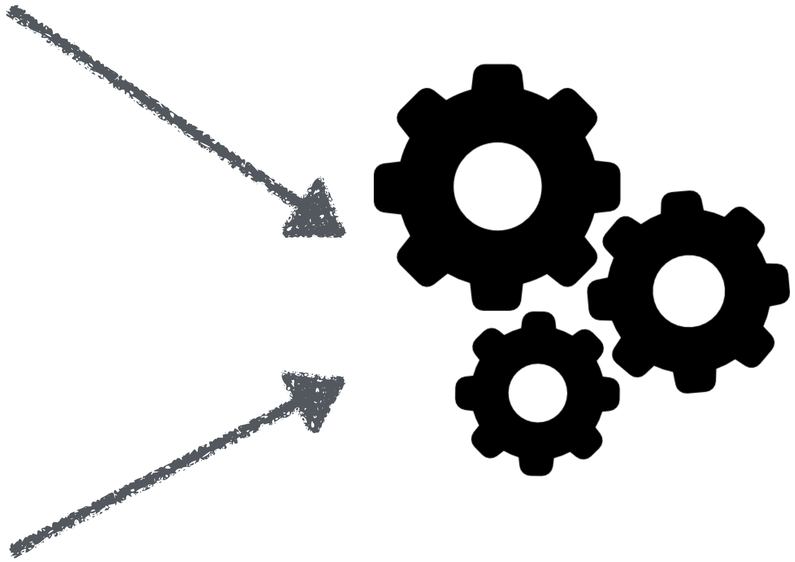


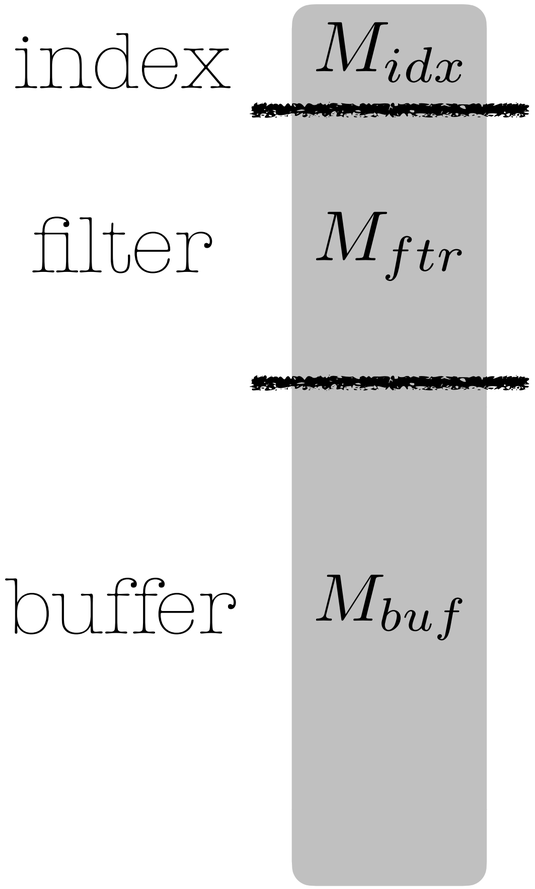
How to allocate memory between LSM components

How to allocate memory among BFs in LSM

M: total memory
M_{idx}: index memory
M_{ftr}: filter memory
M_{buf}: buffer memory

The **Optimal** Memory Allocation

available memory



$$M = M_{idx} + M_{ftr} + M_{buf}$$

workload

$reads(R)$

vs.

$writes(W)$

$$read\_cost(M_{idx}, M_{ftr}, M_{buf})$$

$$write\_cost(M_{buf})$$

$$cost = R \cdot read\_cost + W \cdot write\_cost$$

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M: total memory
M_{idx}: index memory
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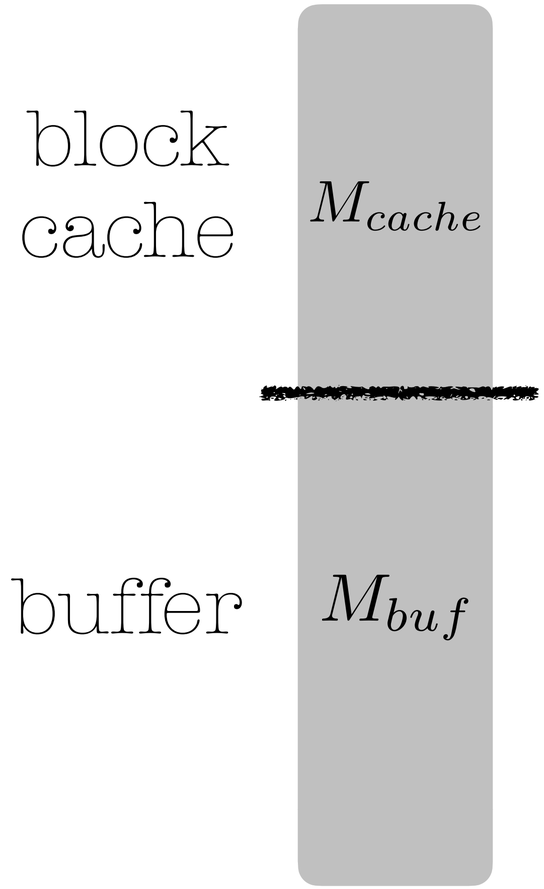
M_{buf}: buffer memory
M_{cache}: block cache memory

The **Optimal** Memory Allocation

available memory

$$M = M_{cache} + M_{buf}$$



workload

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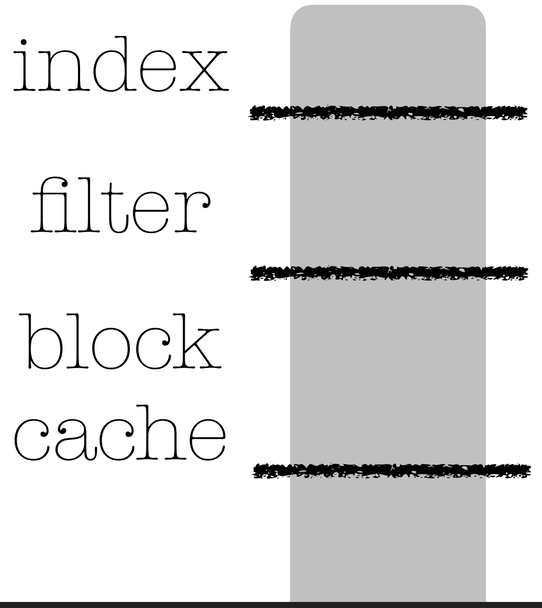
[Open Problem]

The **Optimal** Memory Allocation



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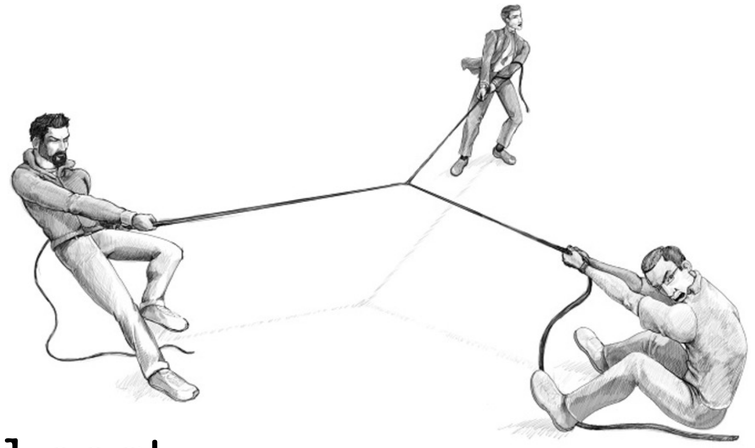

Read cost

Memory/space
footprint

Navigating read vs. writes: **data layouts**

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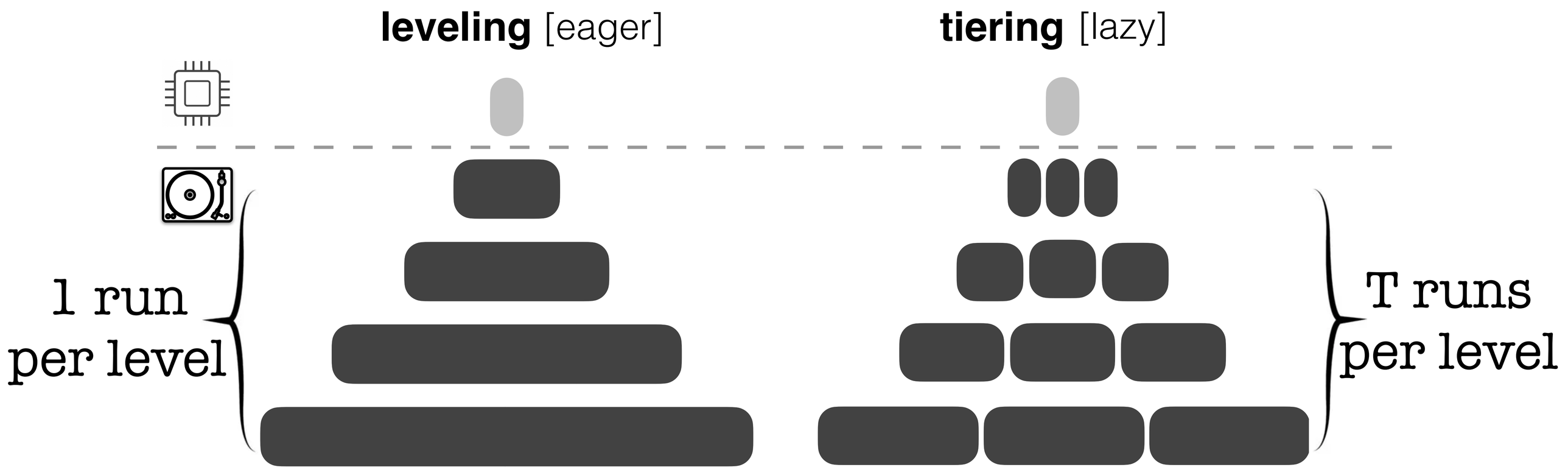

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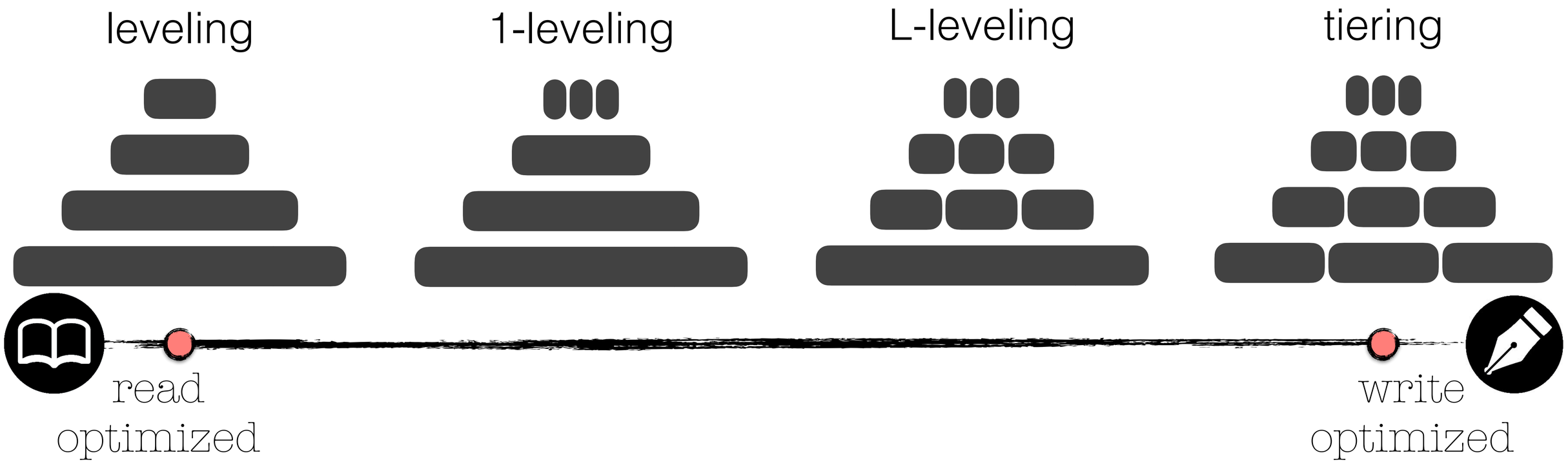
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read
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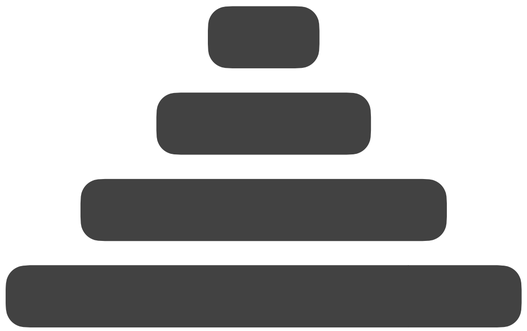
Storage Layer **Design Continuum**

leveling



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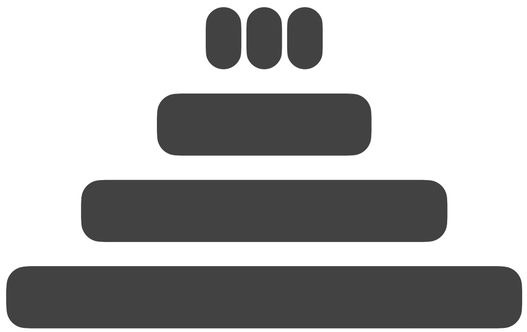

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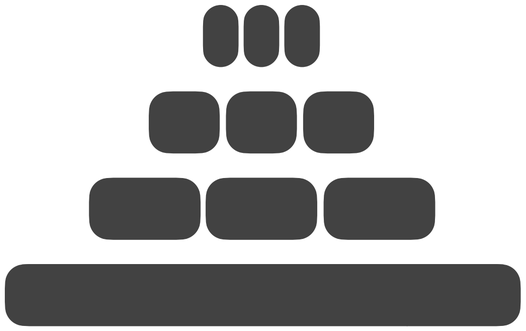

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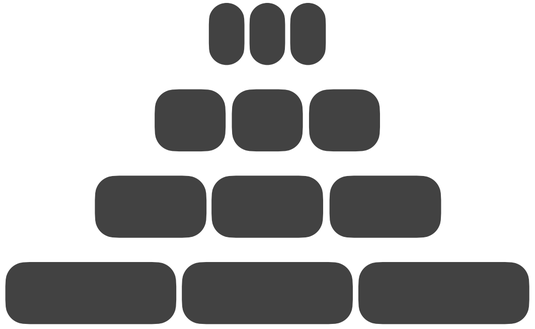
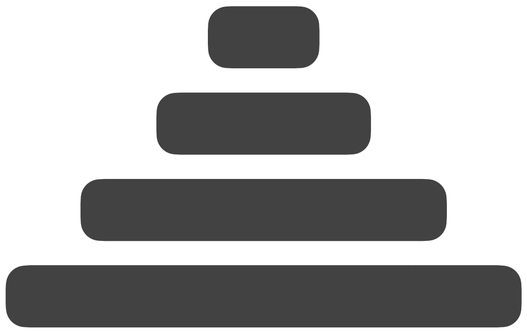


Any design can be defined by the tuple-set: $(\mathtt{T}, \mathtt{i})$

Storage Layer **Design Continuum**

leveling

(T, 0)



1-leveling

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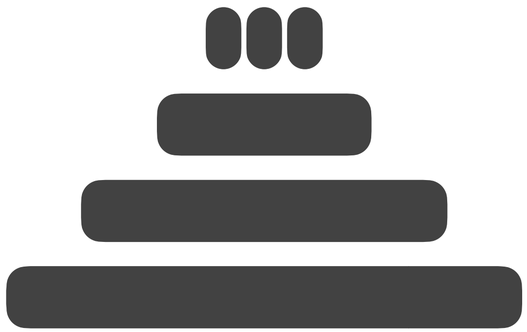

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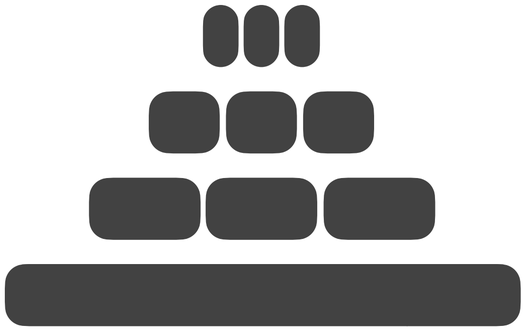
(T, L)



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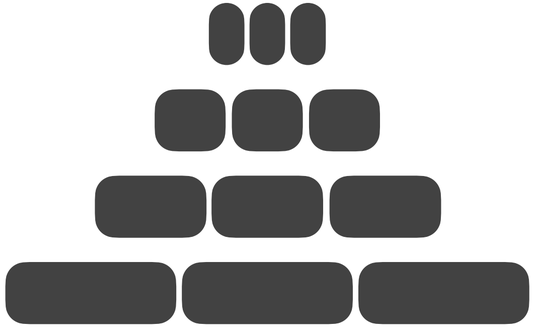

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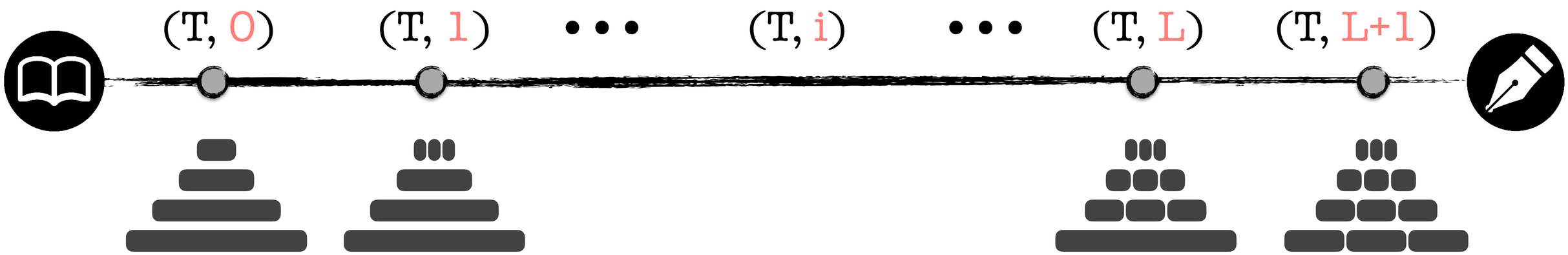

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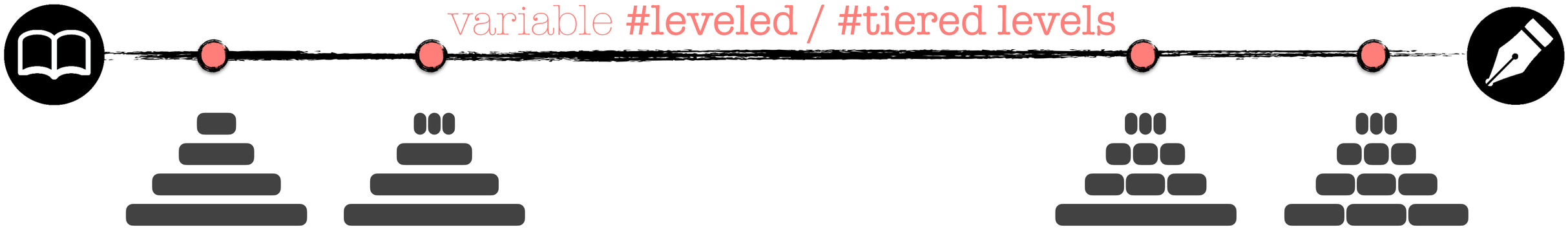

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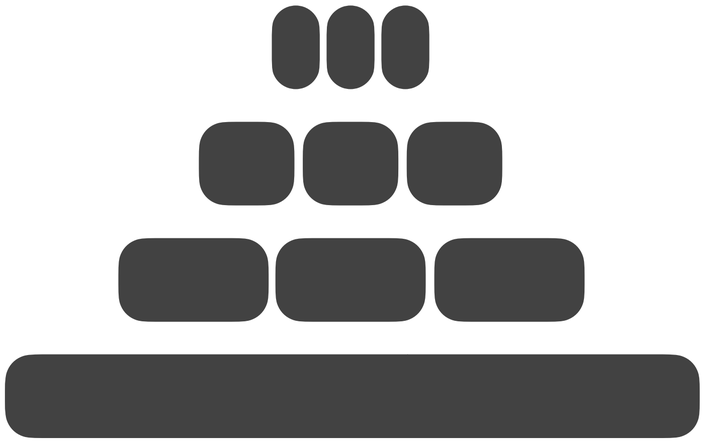

size ratio

T

T

T

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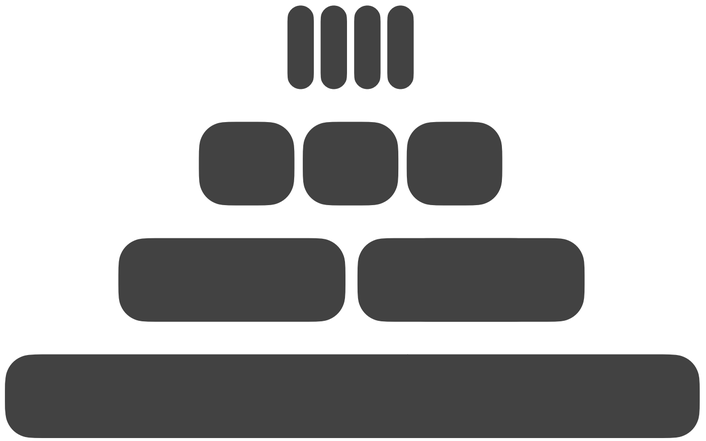

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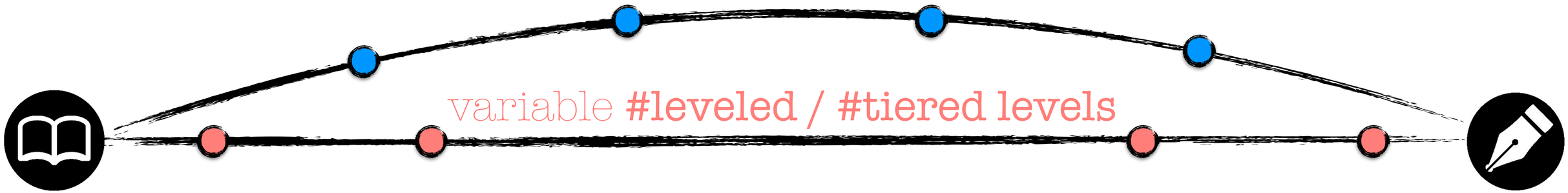

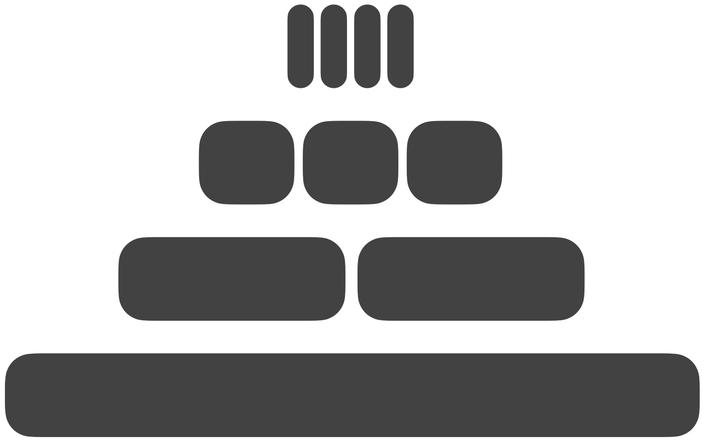

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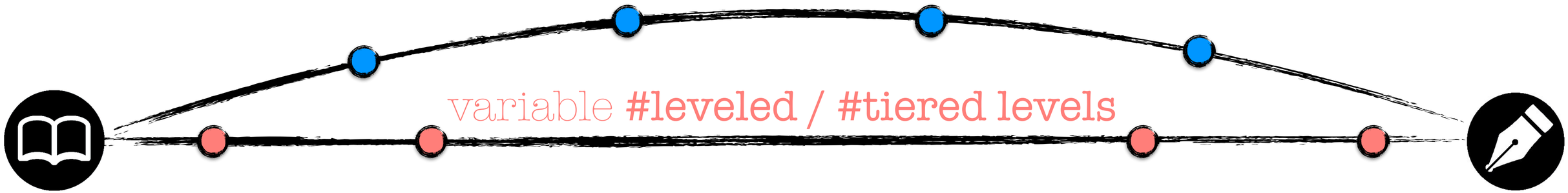

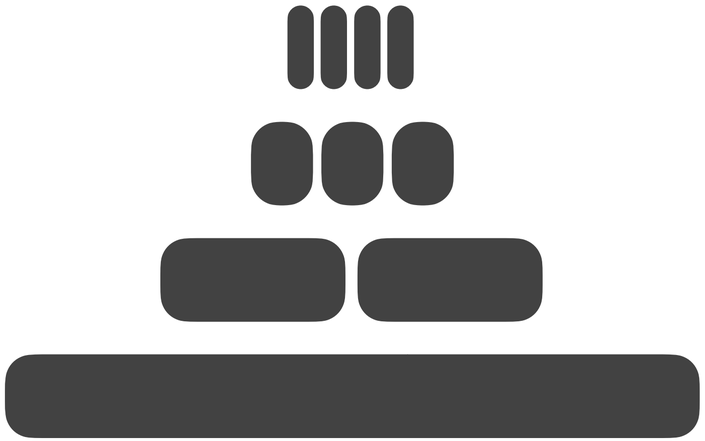

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2.5	3
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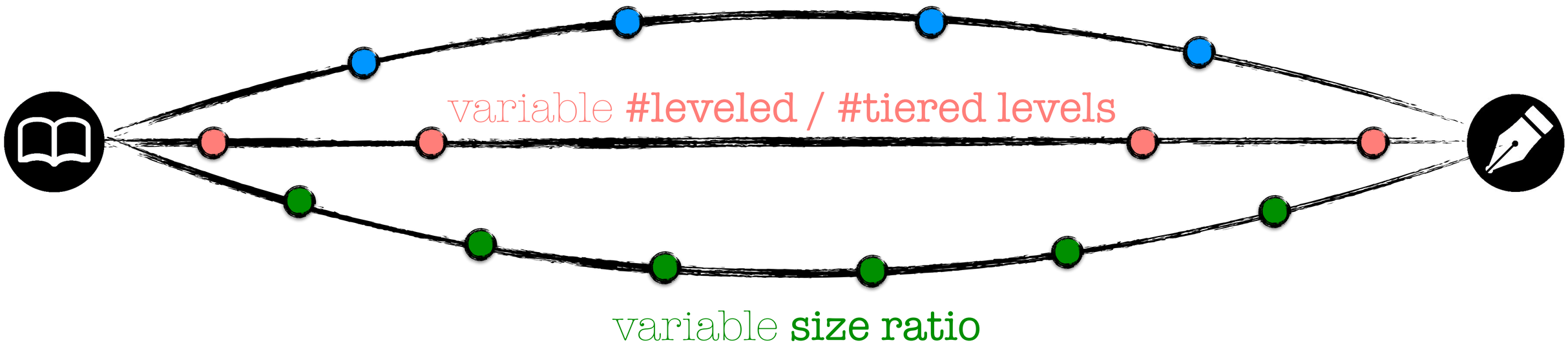
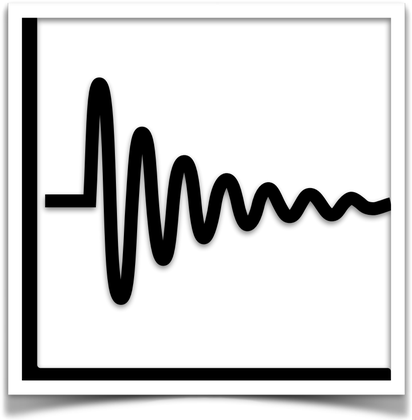


The LSM storage layer design continuum



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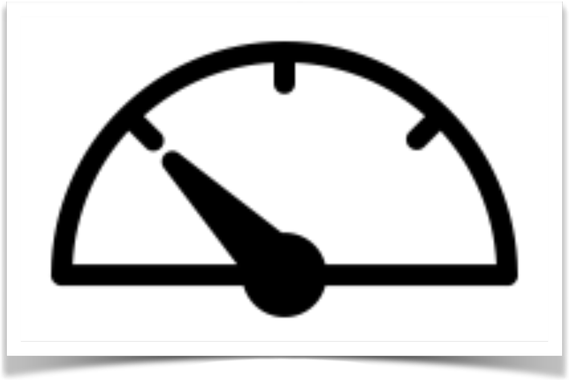

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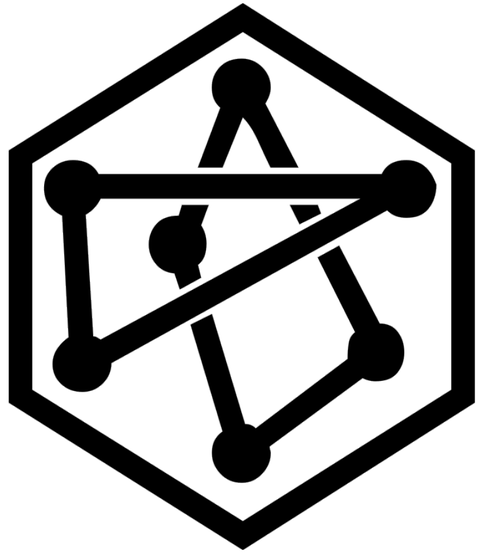

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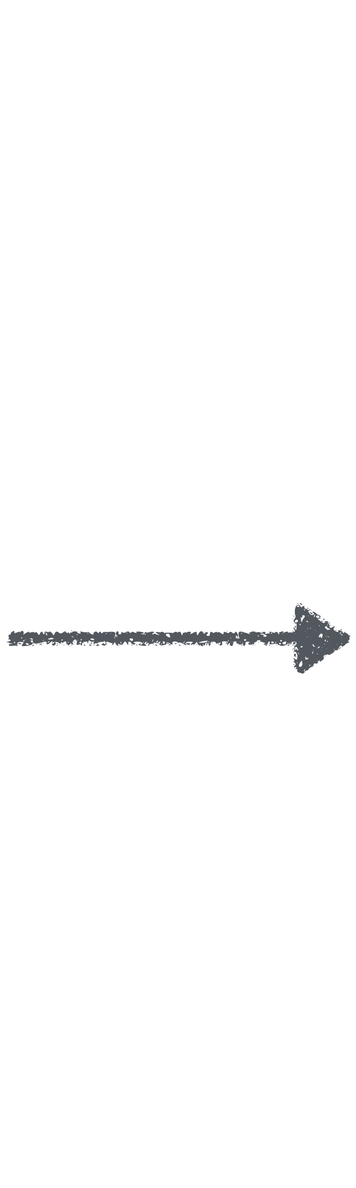

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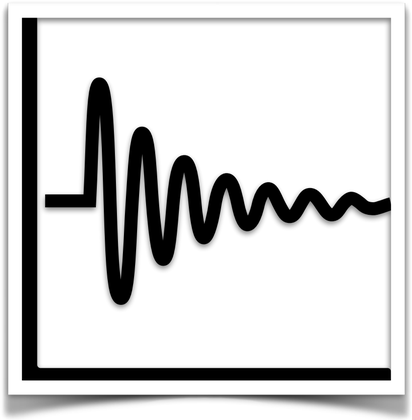

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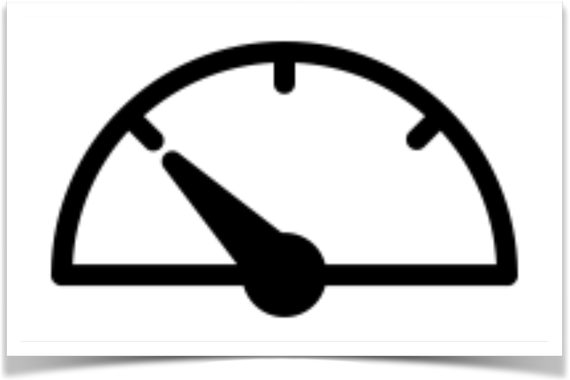

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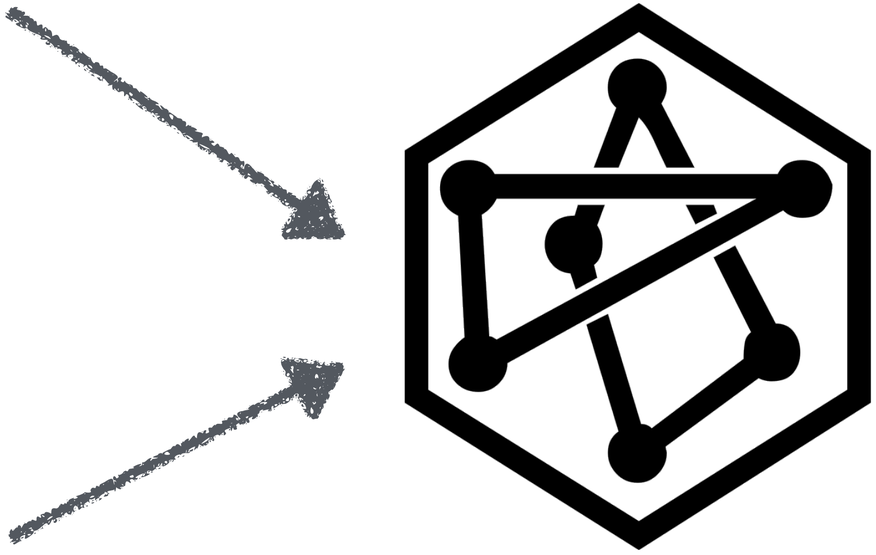
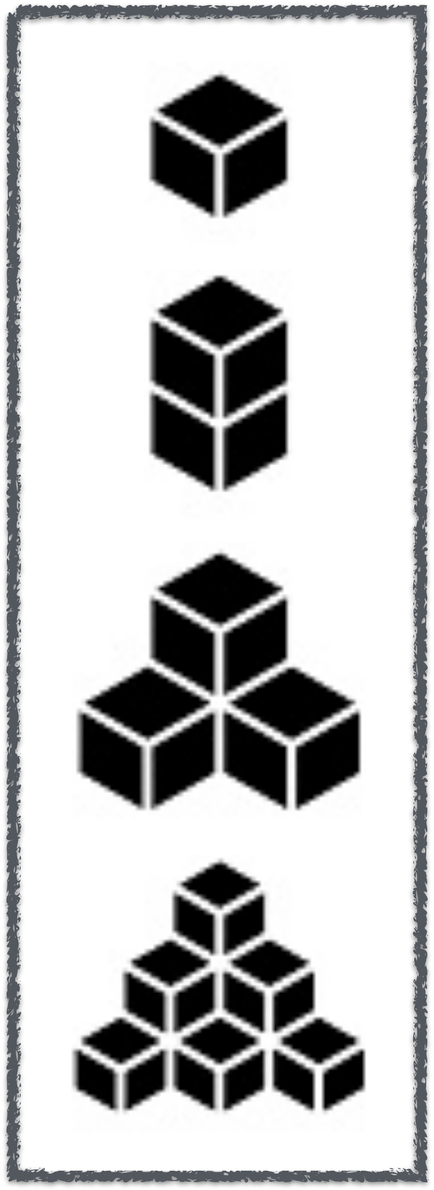


worst-case performance modeling



LSM designs

L : #levels

ϕ : FPR of BF

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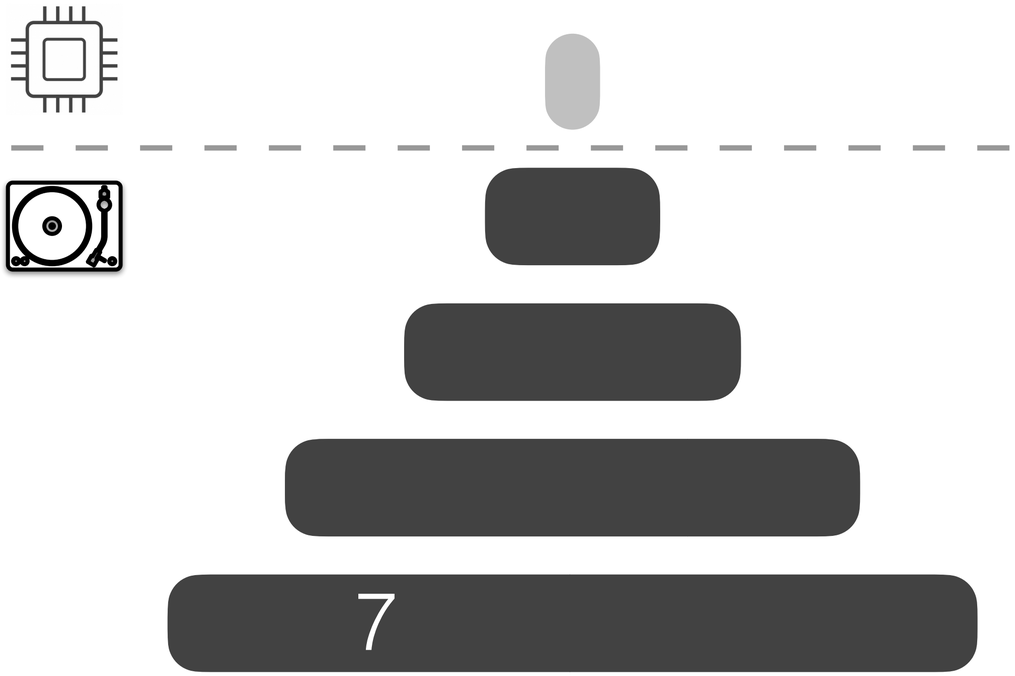

worst-case read cost: $1 + \sum_{i=1}^{L-1} \phi_i$

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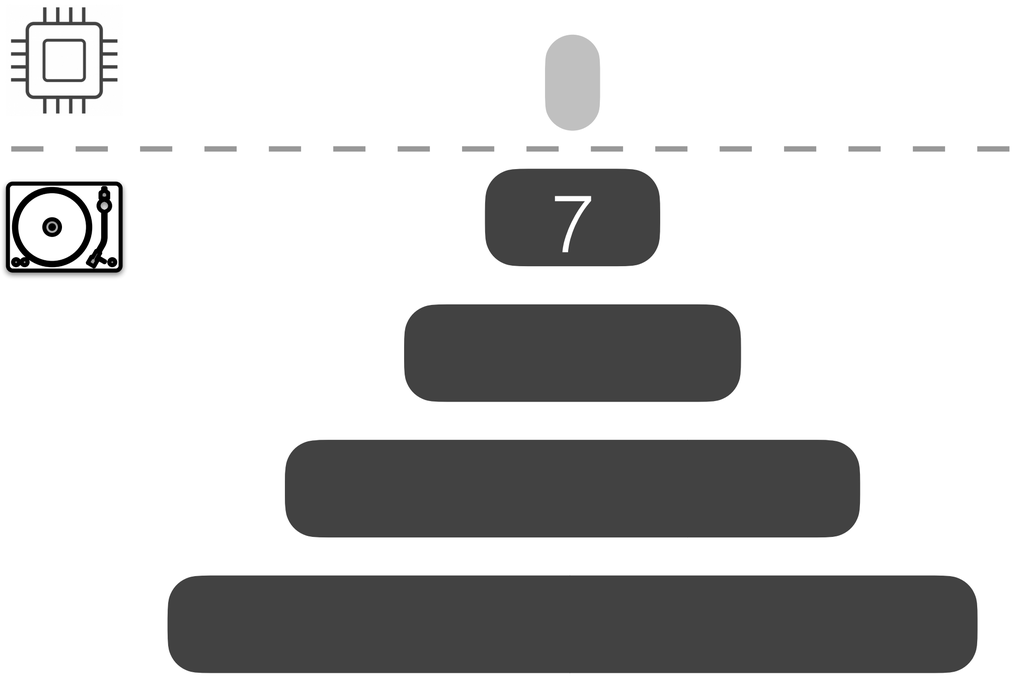

worst-case read cost: $1 + \sum_{i=1}^{L-1} \phi_i$

average-case
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$$\sum_{i=1}^{L} (\mathbb{P}[\text{query in } L_i] \cdot (1 + \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \phi_i))$$

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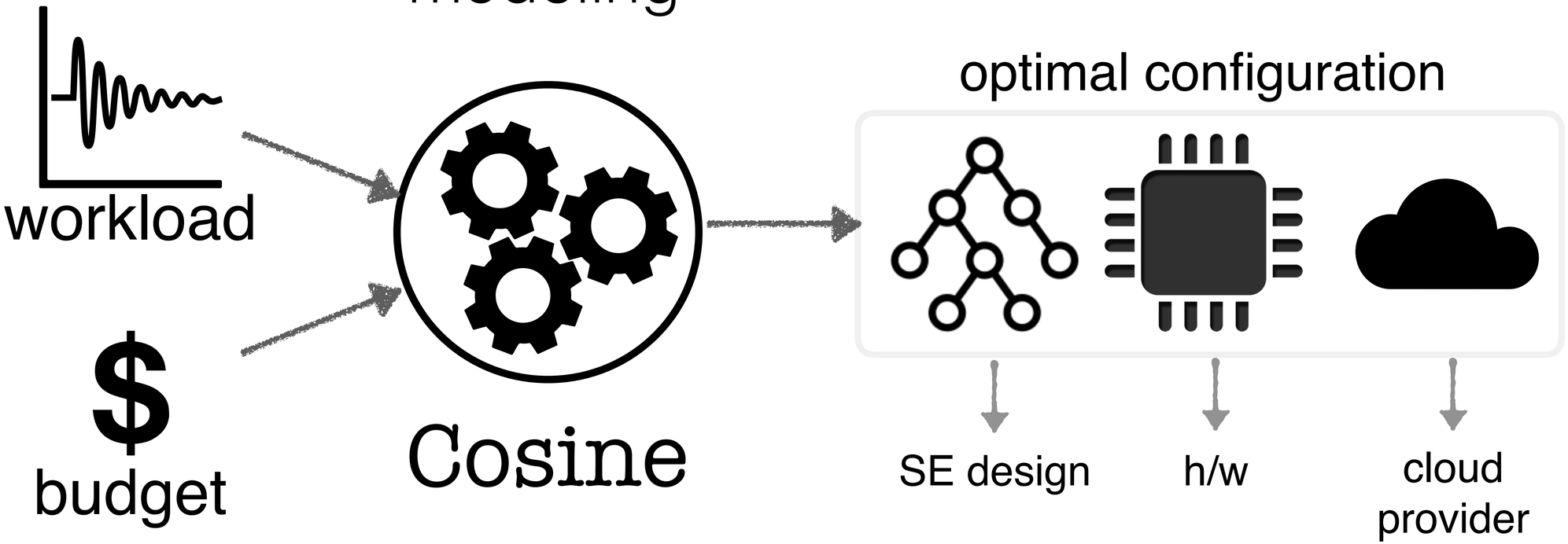
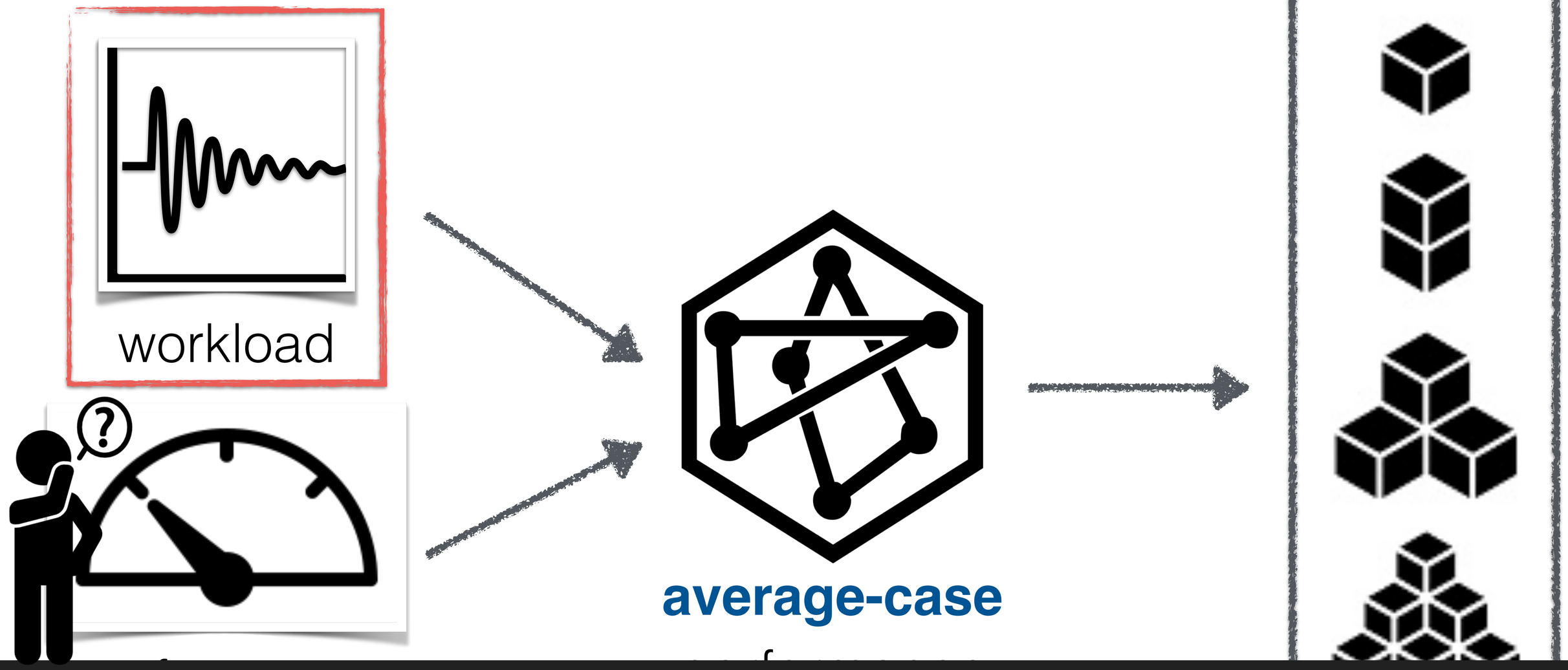
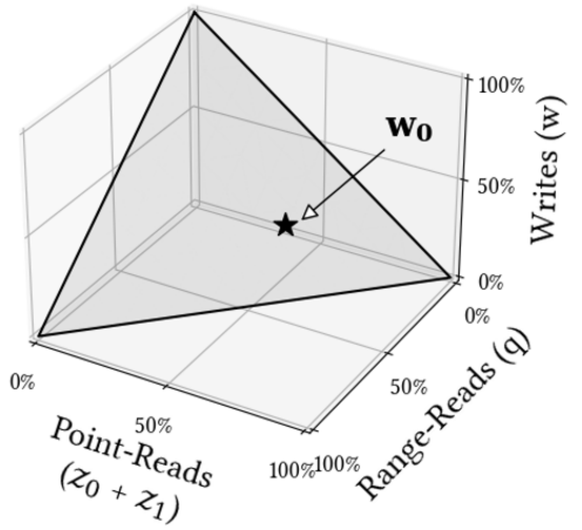




What if the workload comes with **unpredictability**?

Workload-based Tuning



$$\pi_{w_0} = argmin_{\pi}(cost(w_0, \pi)) \qquad cost(w_0, \pi_{w_0})$$

optimal configuration for w_0

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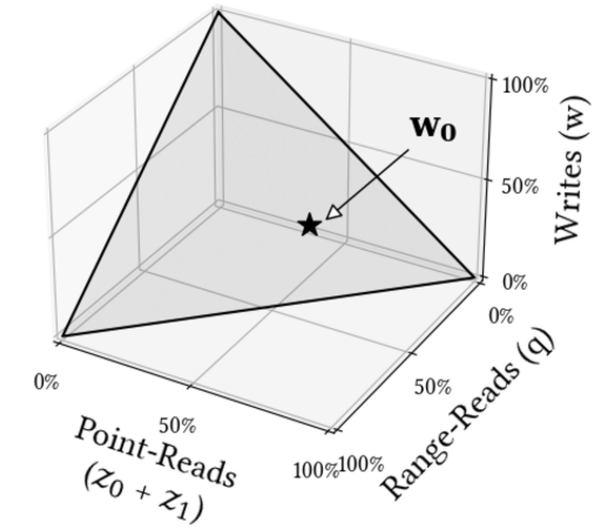
Nominal Tuning



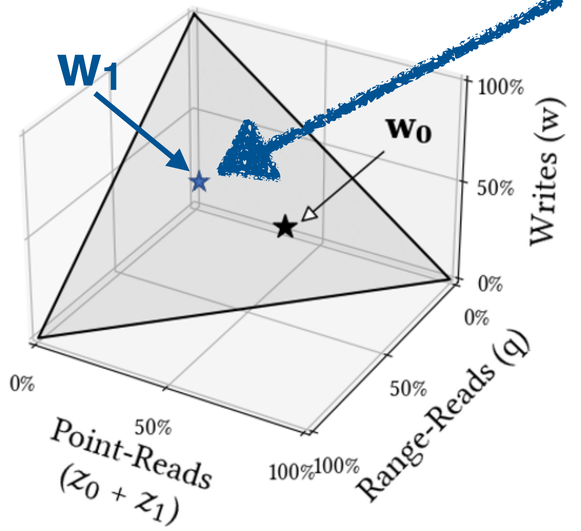
$\pi_{w_0} = argmin_{\pi}(cost(w_0, \pi))$

optimal configuration for w_0

$cost(w_0, \pi_{w_0})$

same configuration

due to unpredictability



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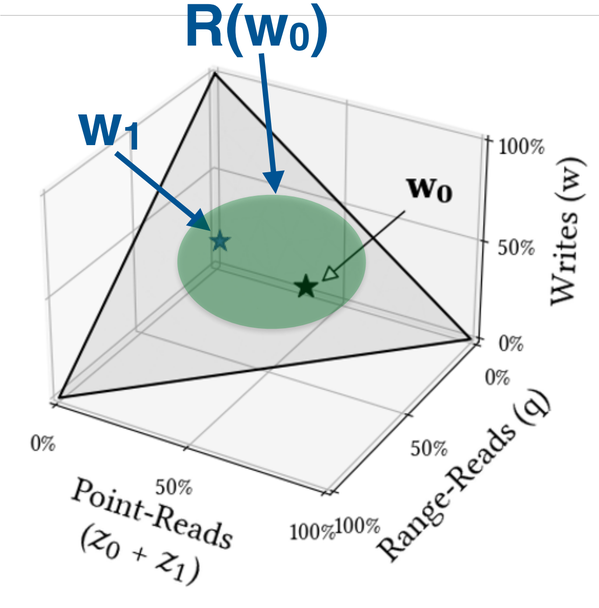
$cost(w_1, \pi_{w_0})$

… but not optimal!

Robust Tuning



$$\pi_{w_0}^{robust} = argmin_{\pi} max_{w\prime \in R(w_0)} (cost(w_0, \pi_{w_0}^{robust}))$$

$$cost(w_1, \pi_{w_0}^{robust})$$

… close-to-optimal!

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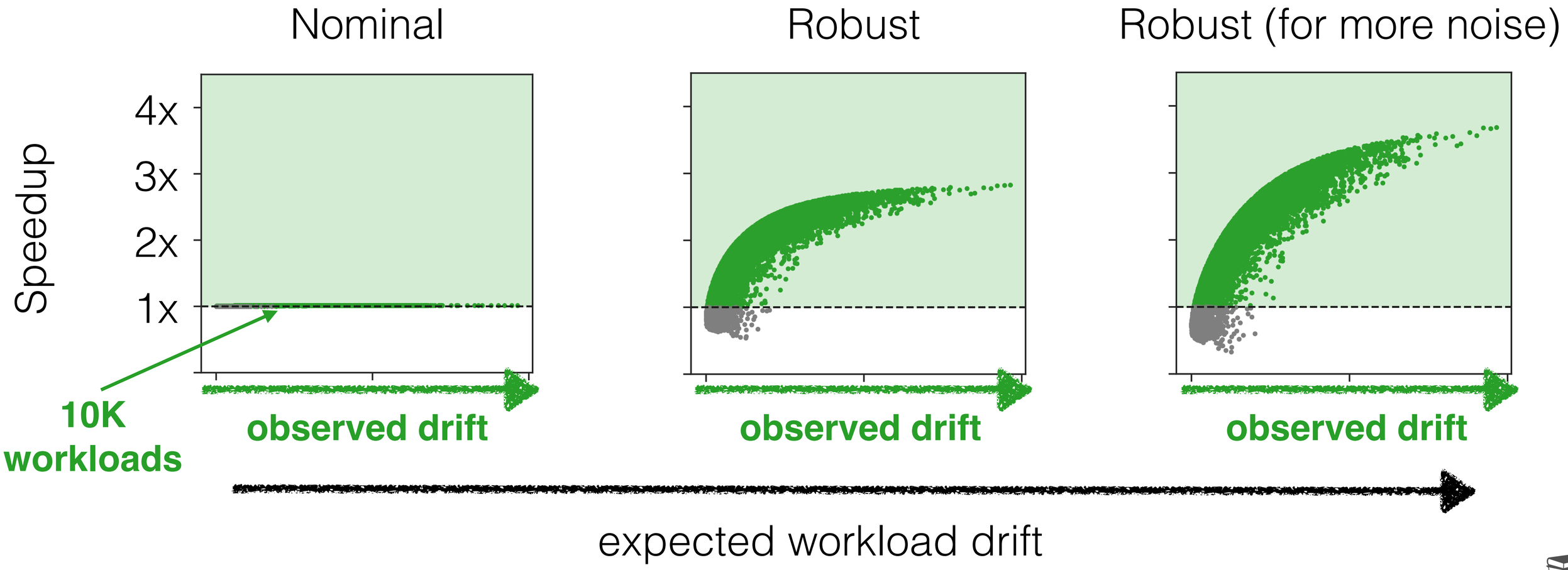
Robust Tuning



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The **Key Takeaways**

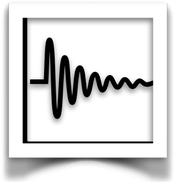
The LSM design space is **vast and complex**.

Read optimizations are crucial to make LSMs better.

A **tuned LSM** engine can offer superior performance.

Open Research **Challenges**

Reduce write amplification



Workload-aware compactions & layout transformation

Performance Stability & Holistic Tuning

Automatic Tuning & Adaptive Behavior

Privacy-aware LSM designs

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