

LSM-Trees & **its Read Optimizations**

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Log-Structured Merge-tree

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

1996

Patrick O'Neil¹, Edward Cheng²
Dieter Gawlick³, Elizabeth O'Neil¹
To be published: Acta Informatica

LSM-tree
O'Neil *et al.*



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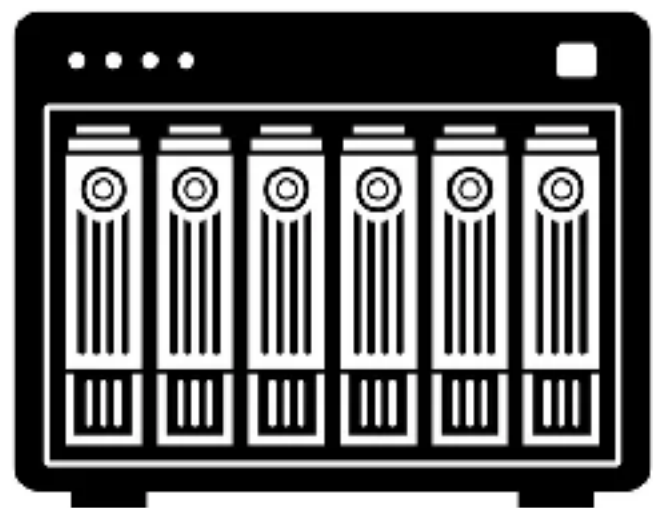
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1996

● good random writes

● good reads



array of discs

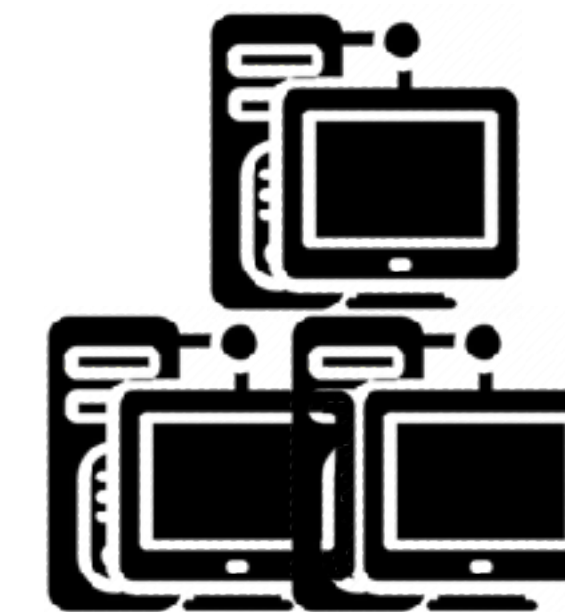
SSD wear-friendly

competitive rand. reads

fast ingestion

● poor ingestion perf.

● poor query perf.



commodity hardware



LSM-tree
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1980s

1996

2006

a decade



Bigtable

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2007

APACHE
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2007


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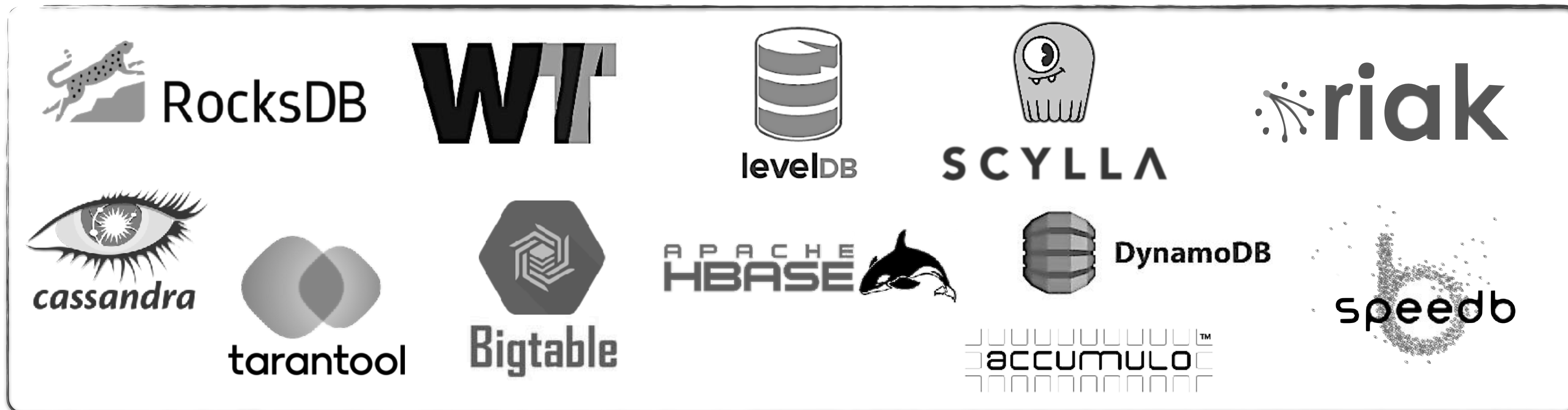
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RocksDB

LSM-tree

NoSQL



relational



time-series

2023

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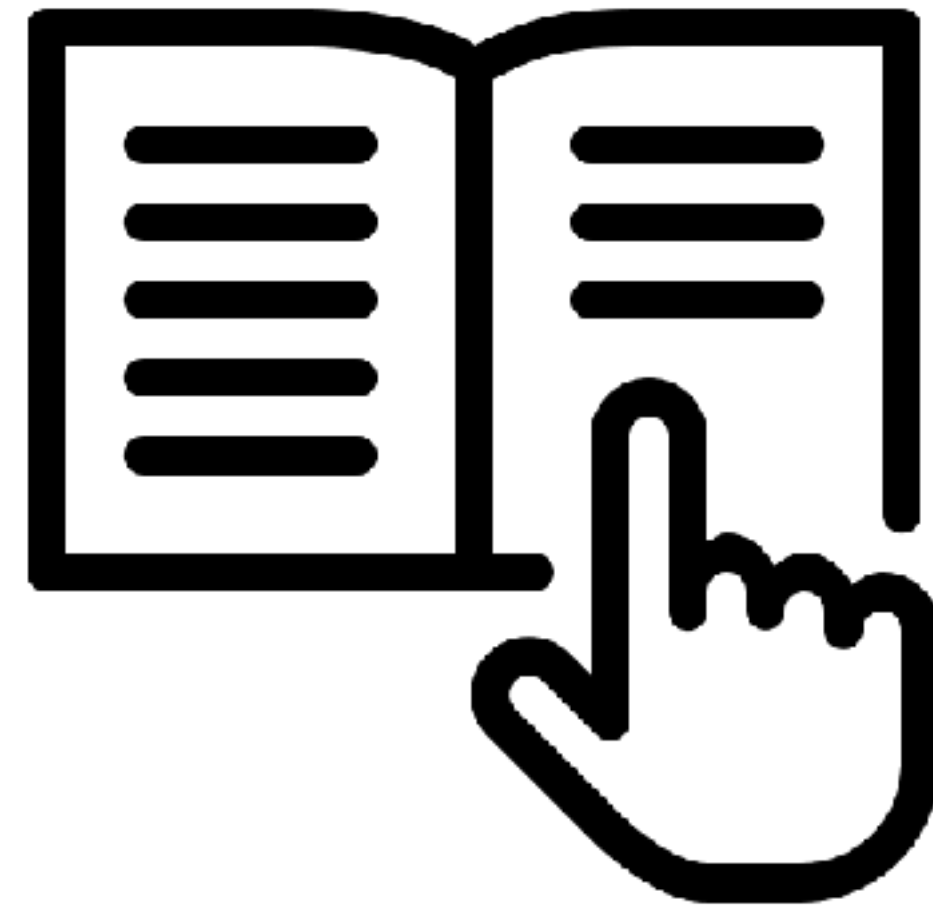


fast ingestion

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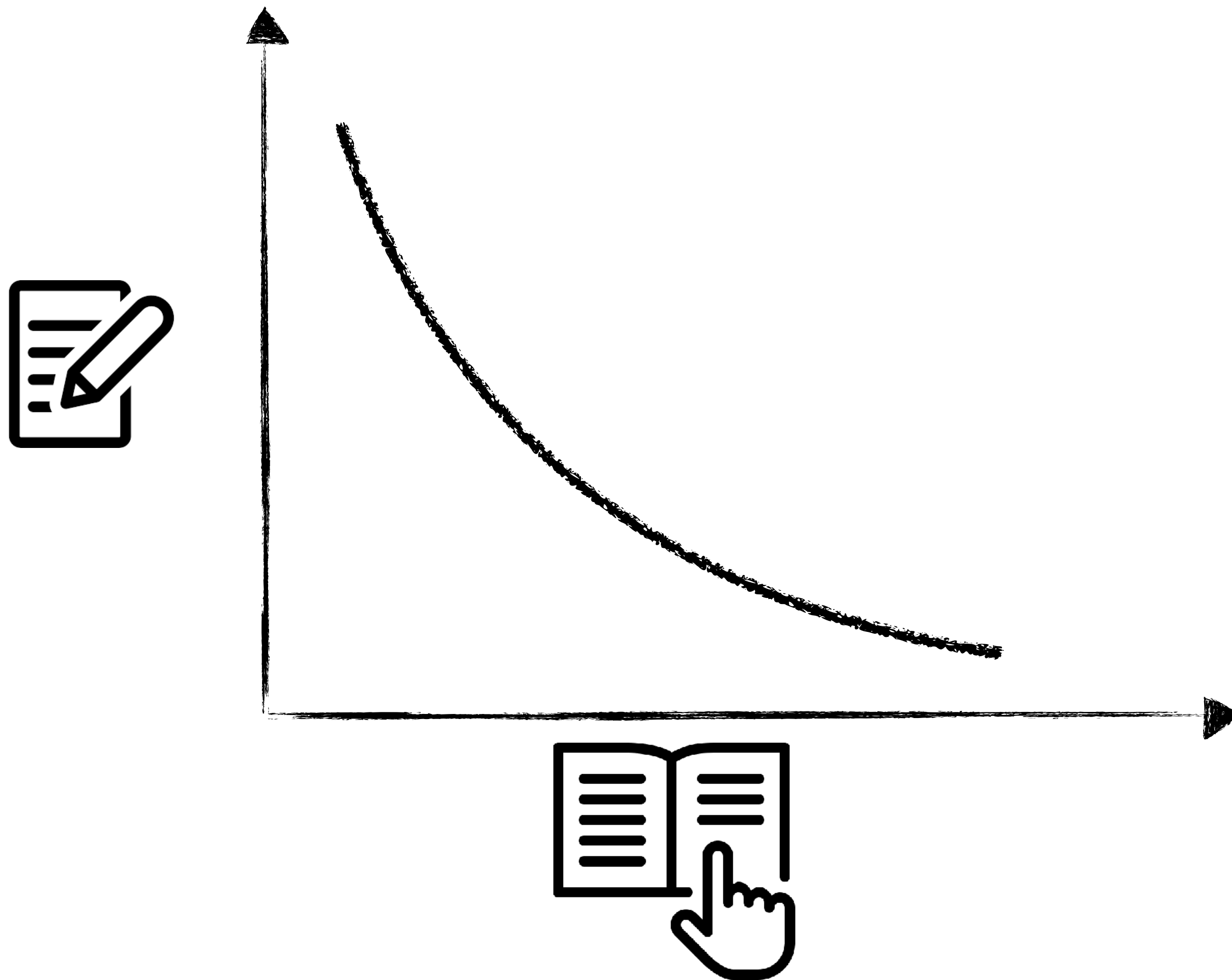


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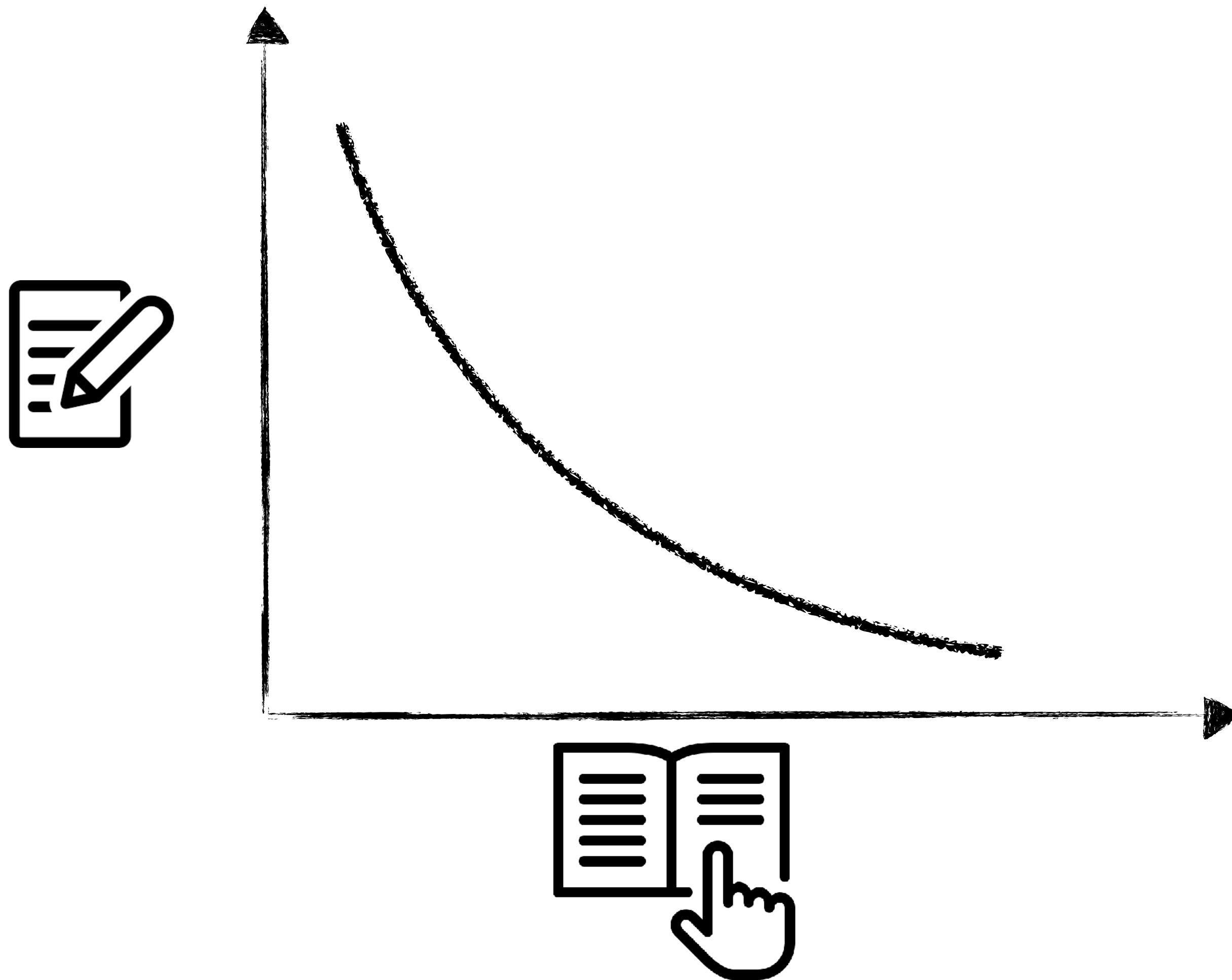


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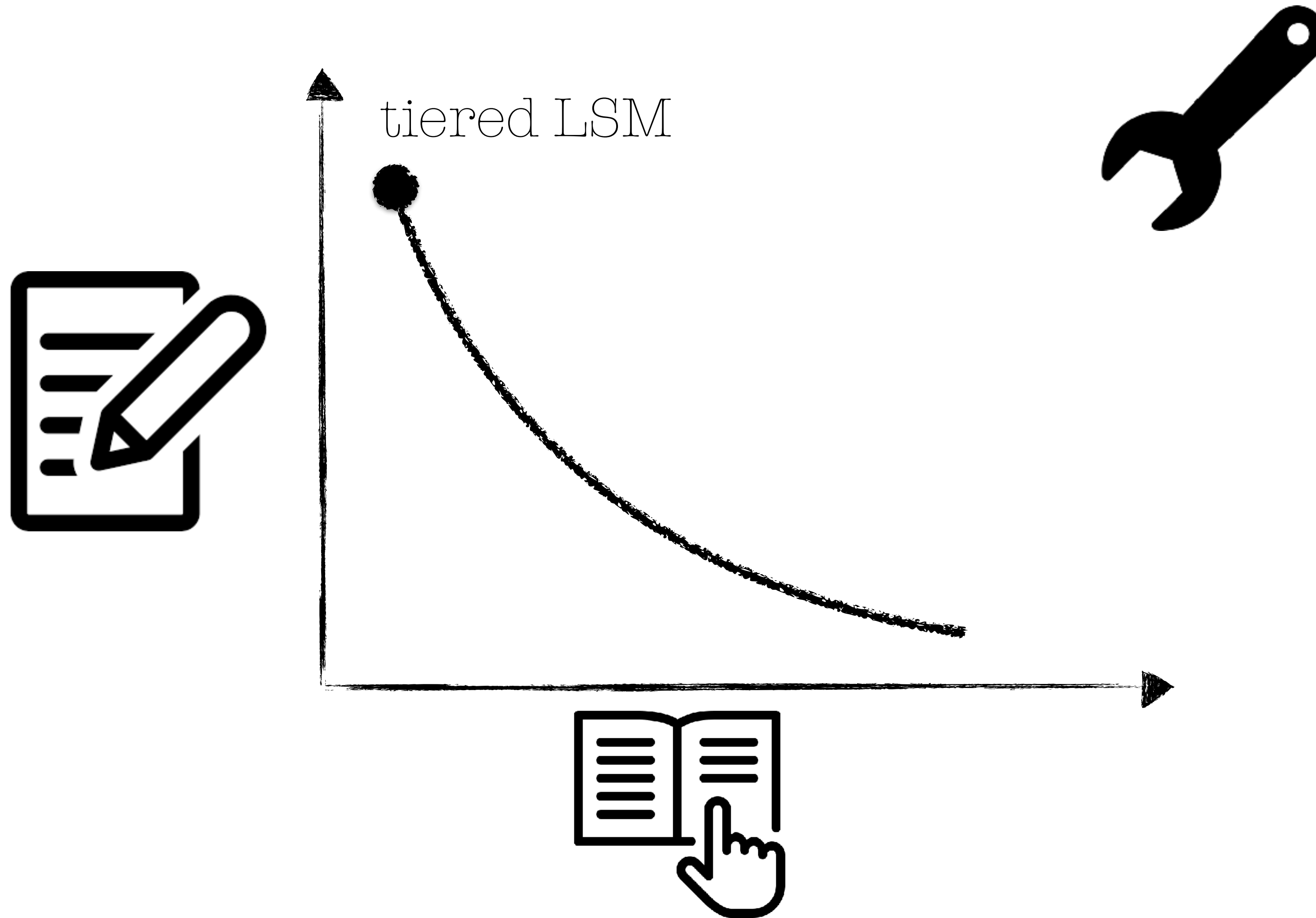
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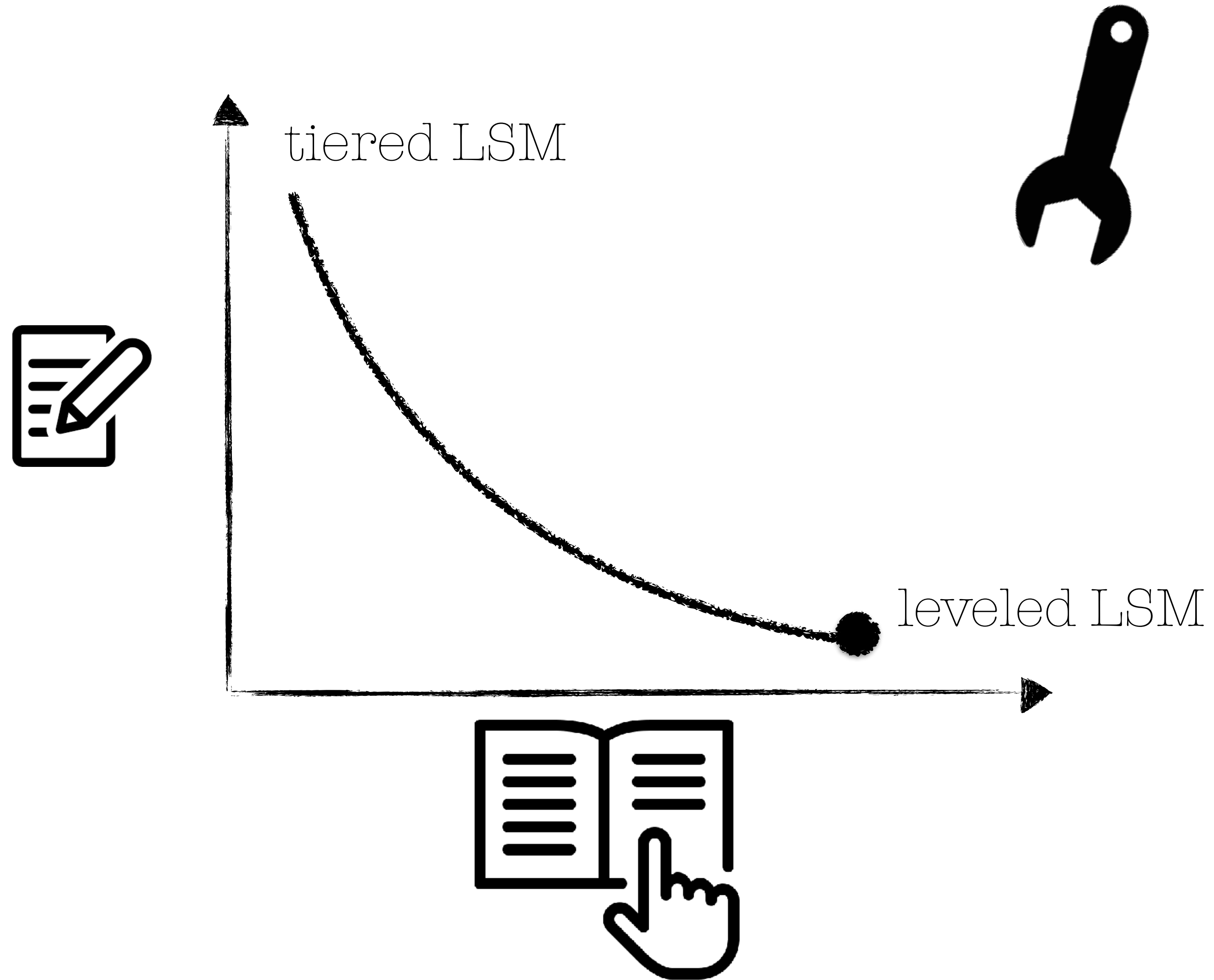
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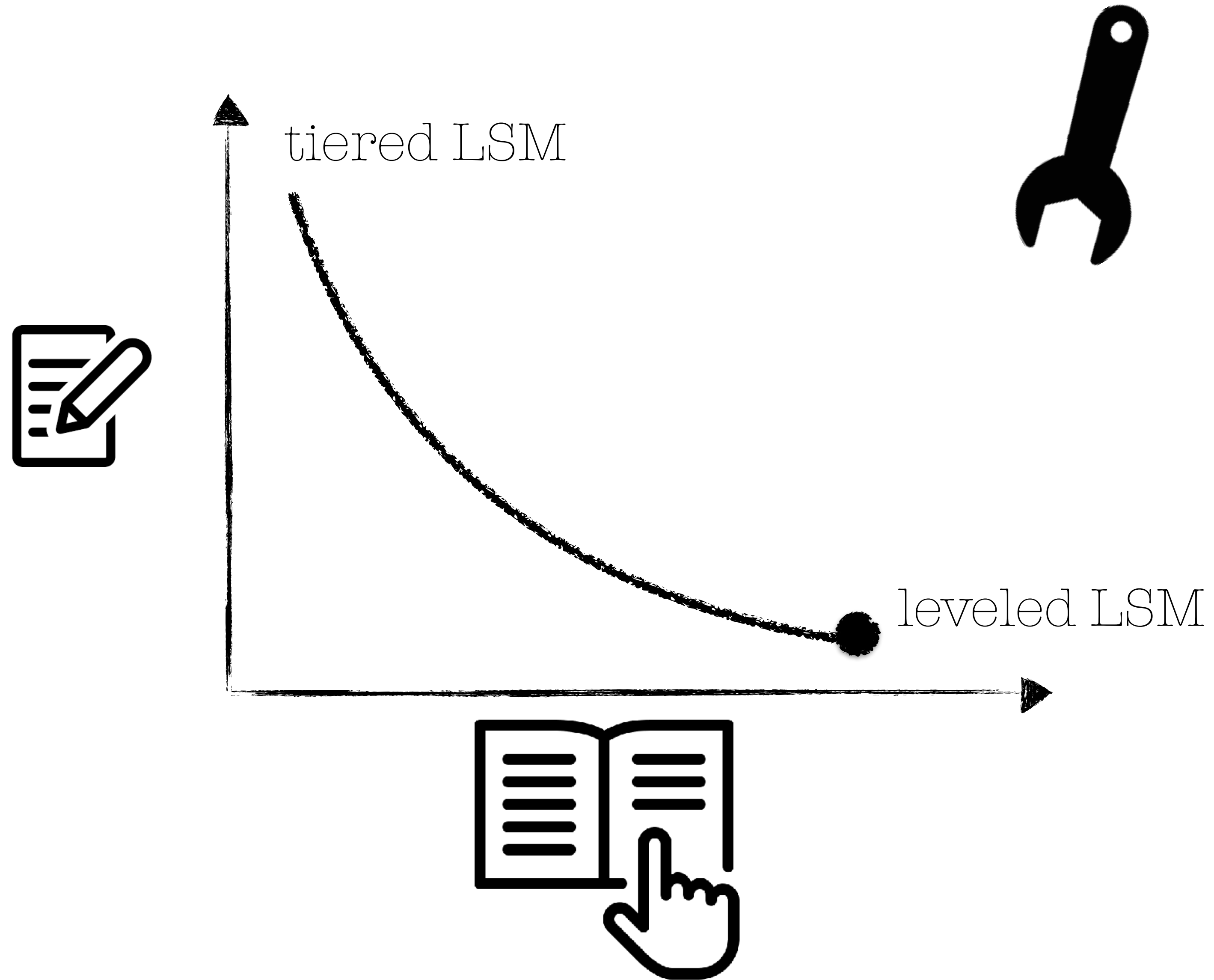
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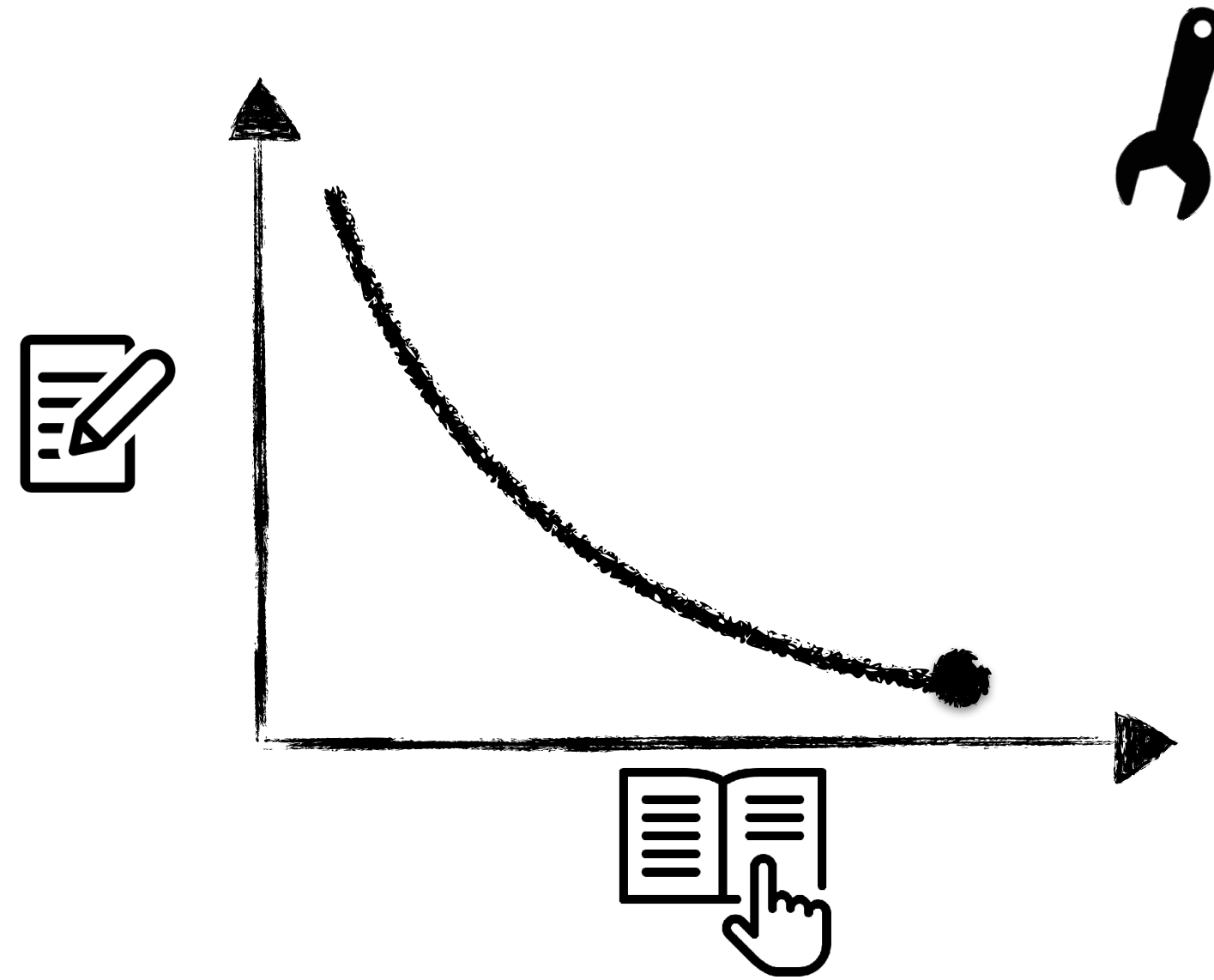
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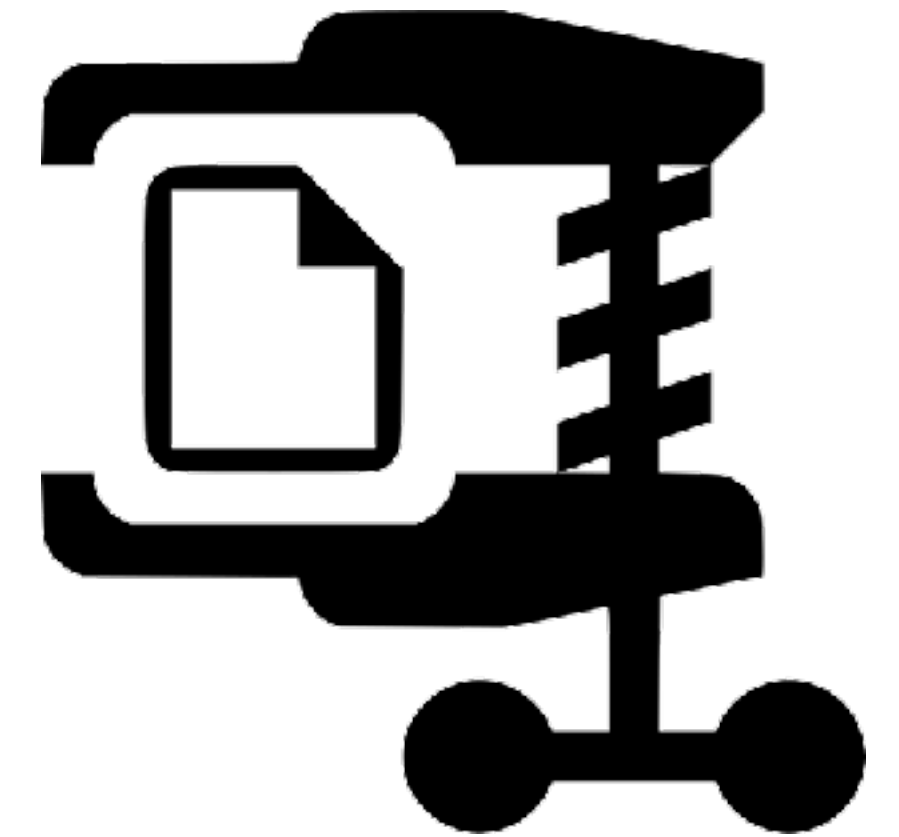
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fast writes

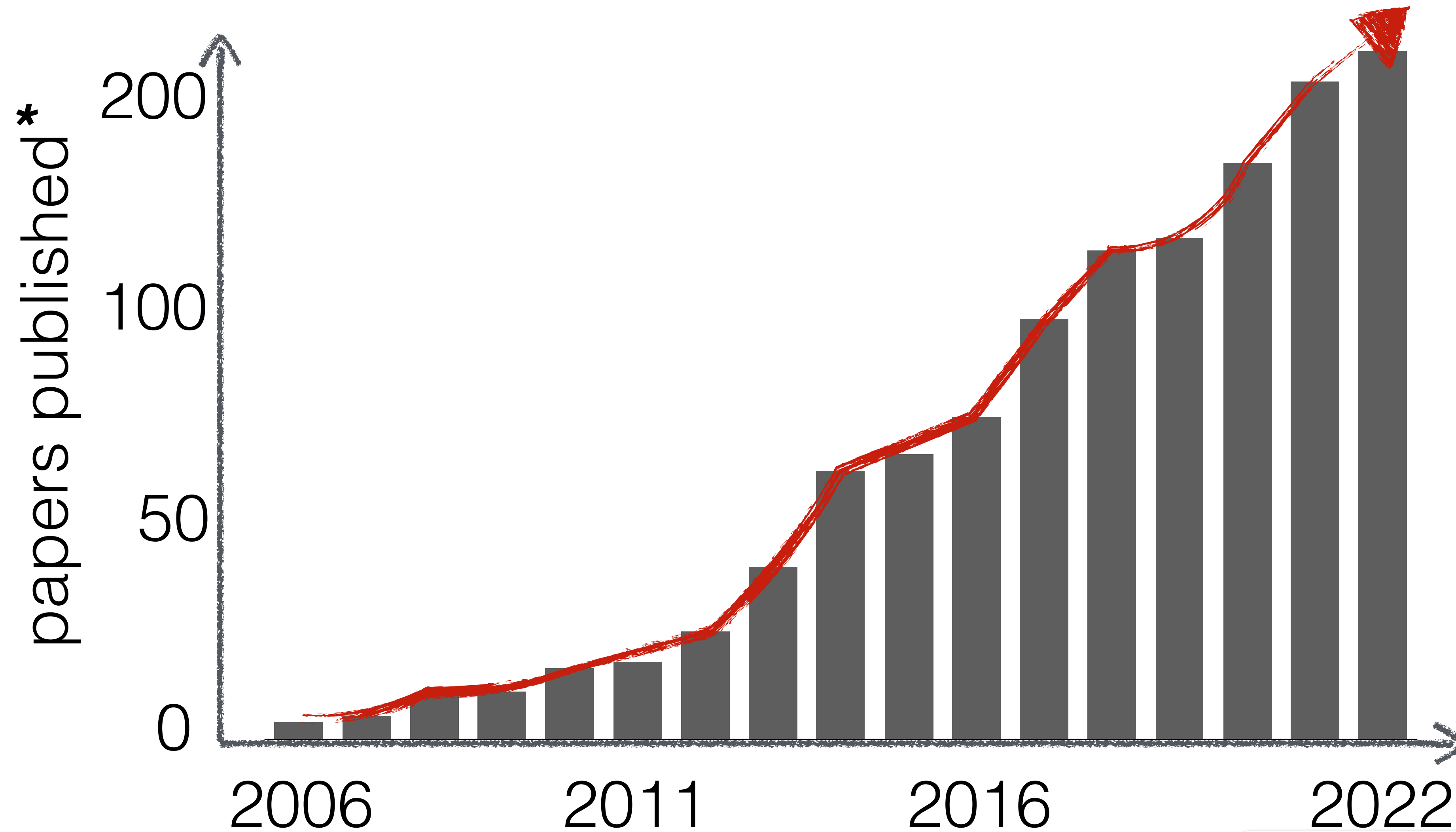



tunable read-write
performance

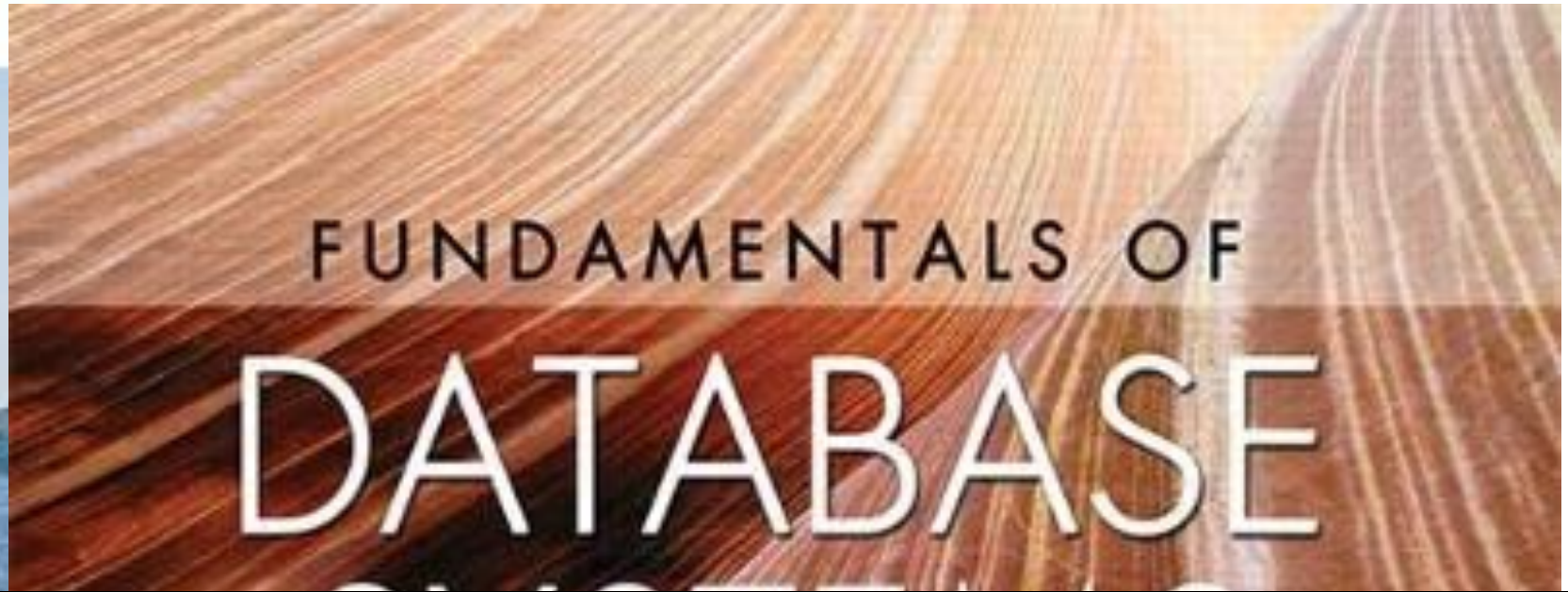
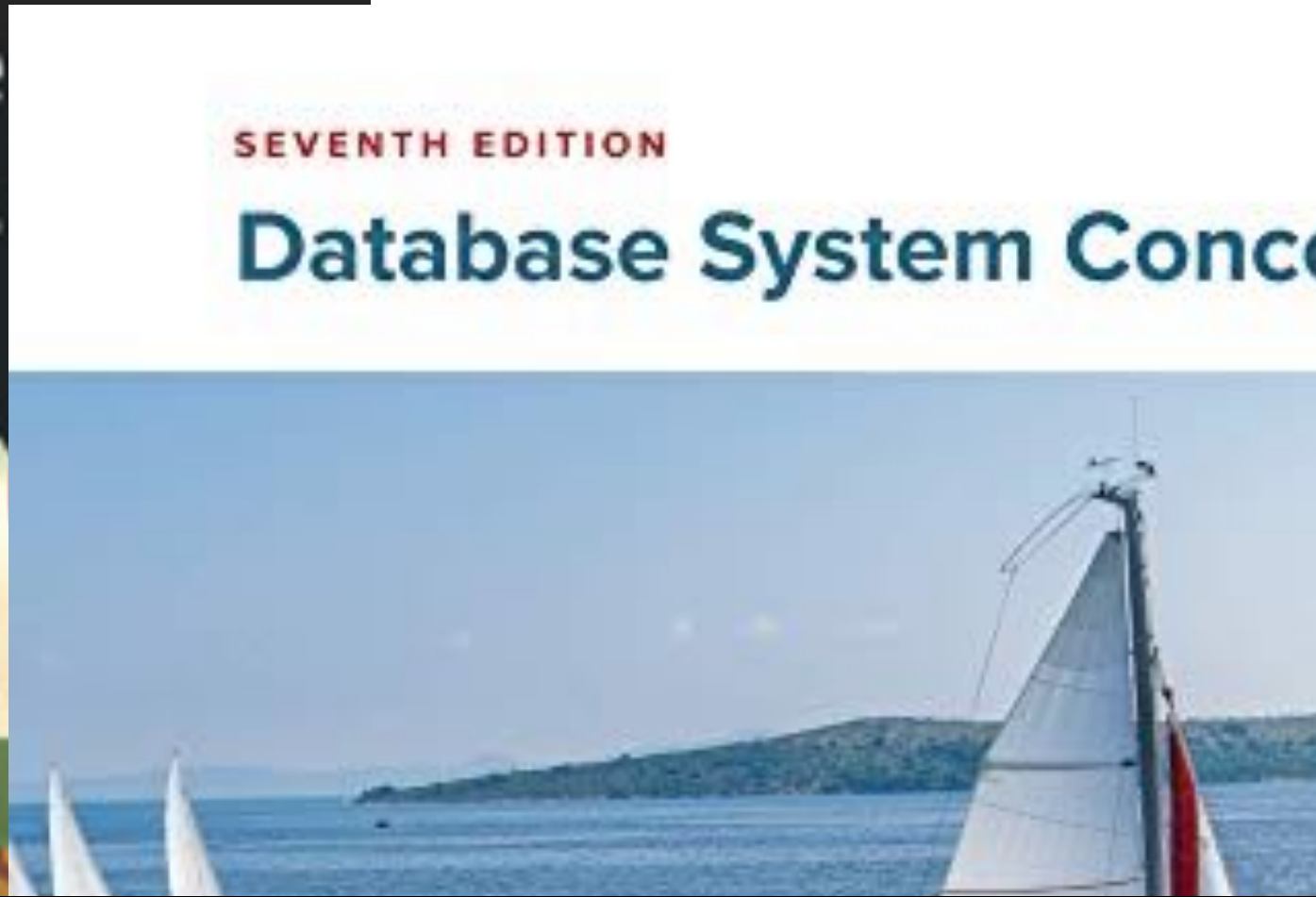


good space
utilization

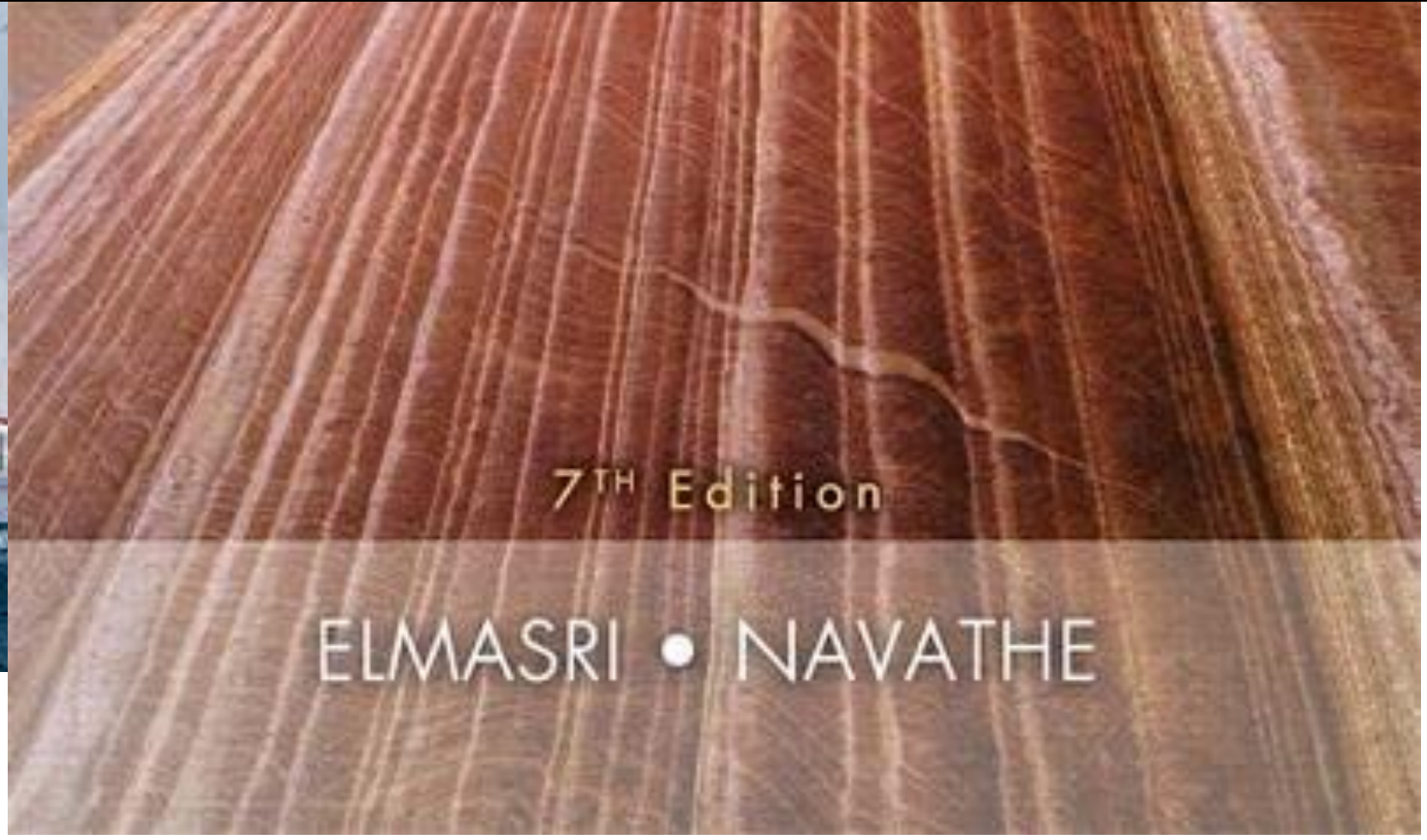
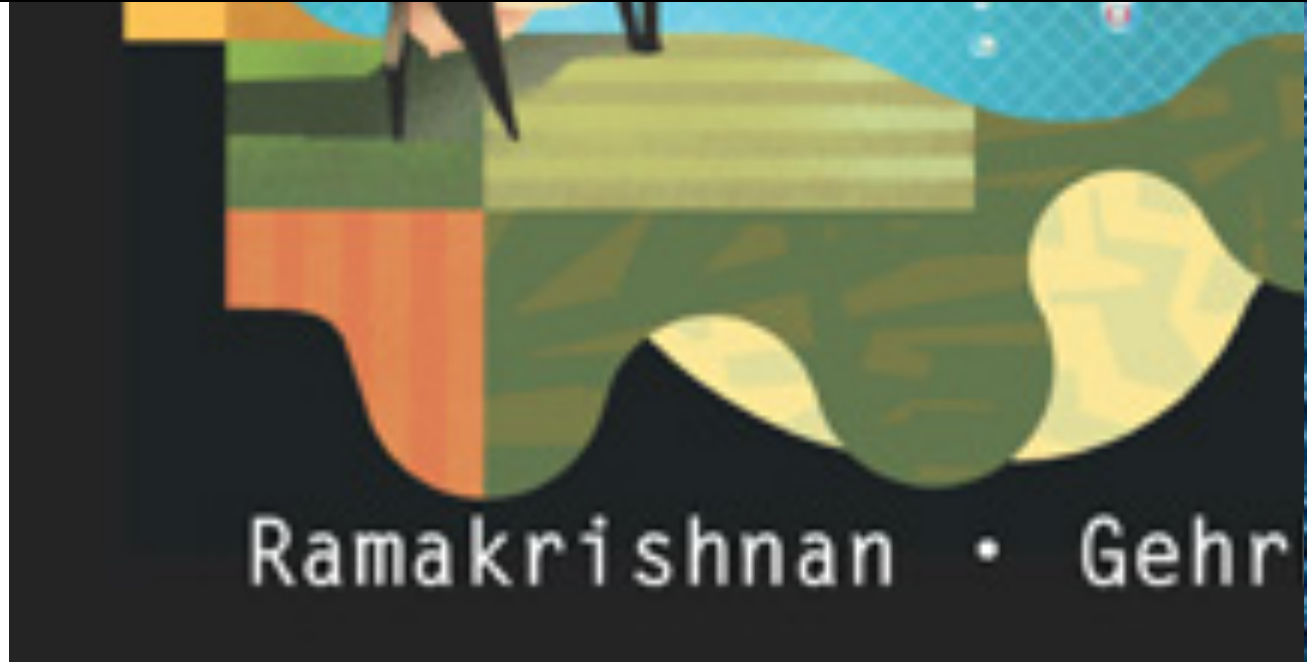
Research Trend



* data from Google scholar 



No Textbook on LSMs !!



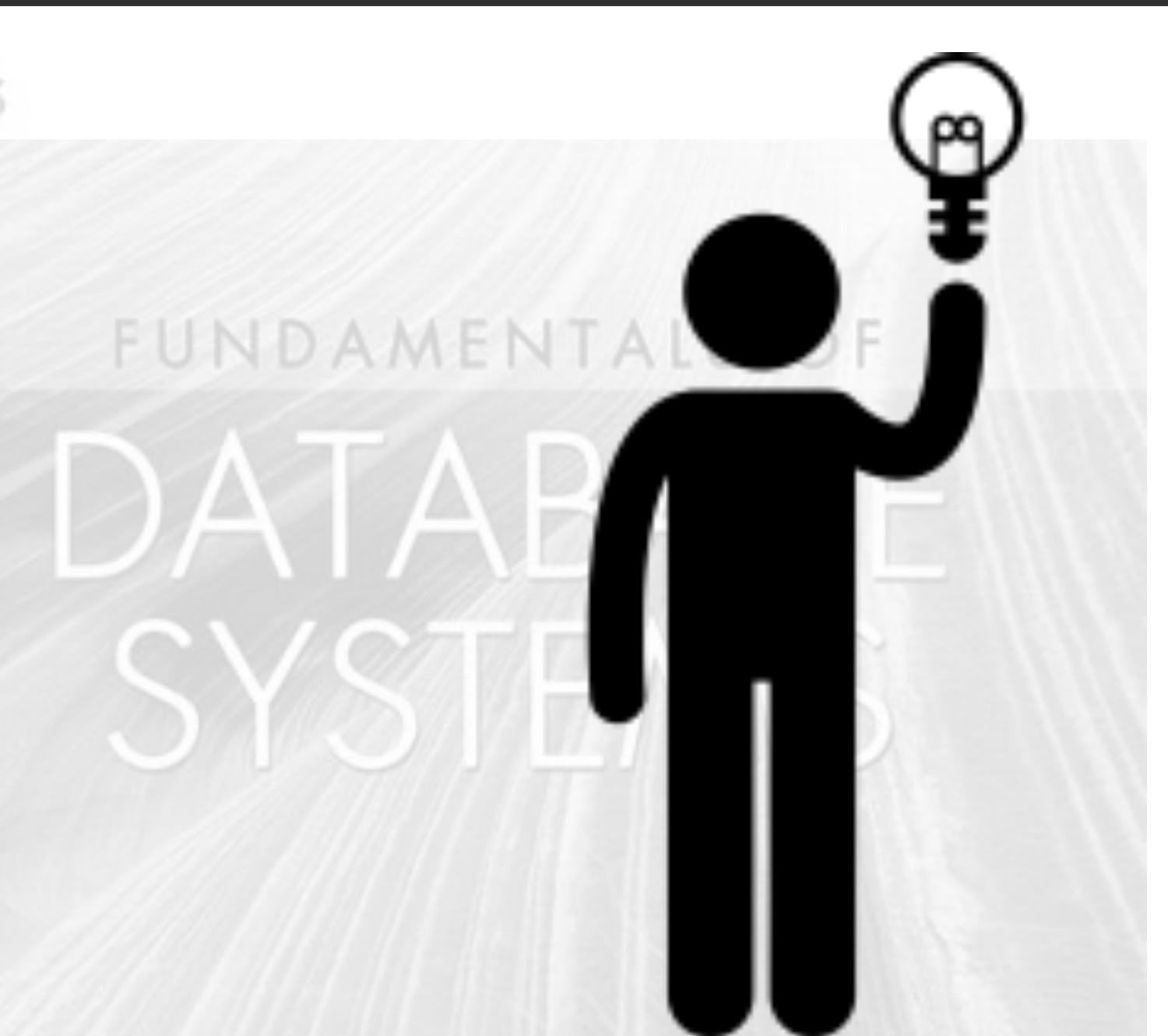
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explore the
LSM paradigm



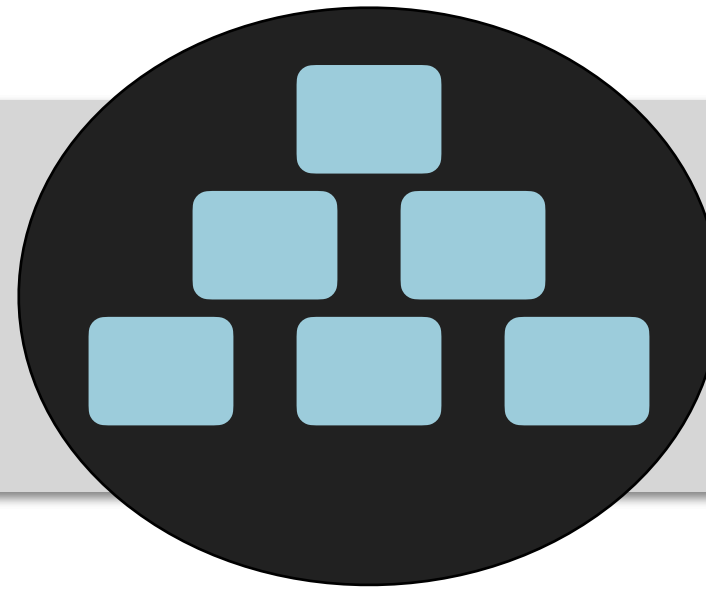
understand the
read optimizations



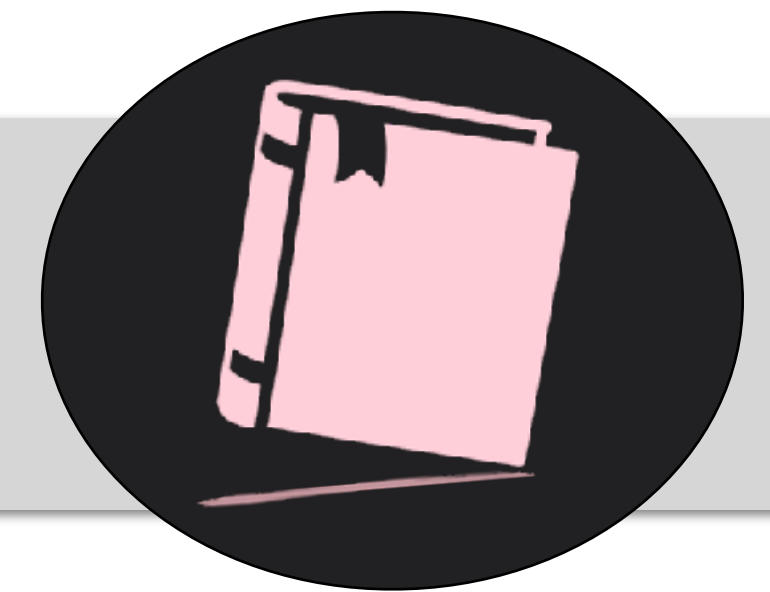
provide useful
insights

Outline

Part 1: **LSM Basics**



Part 2: **Read Optimizations in LSMs**

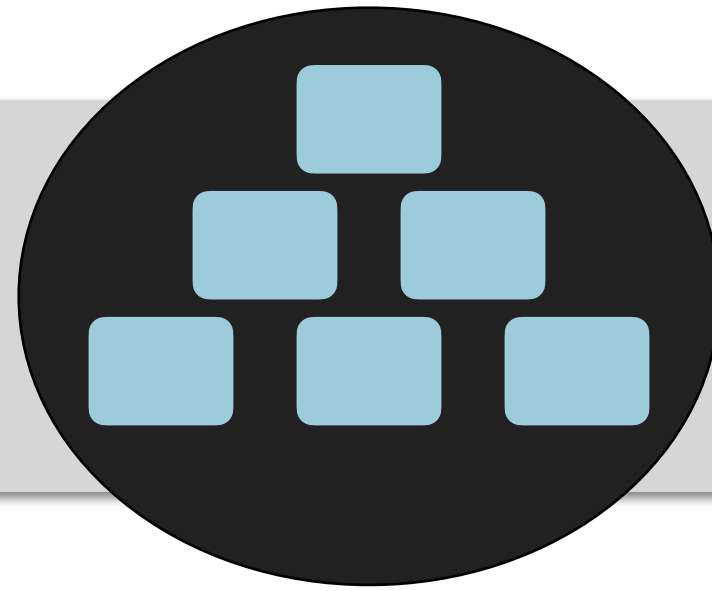


Part 3: **Navigating the LSM Design Space**



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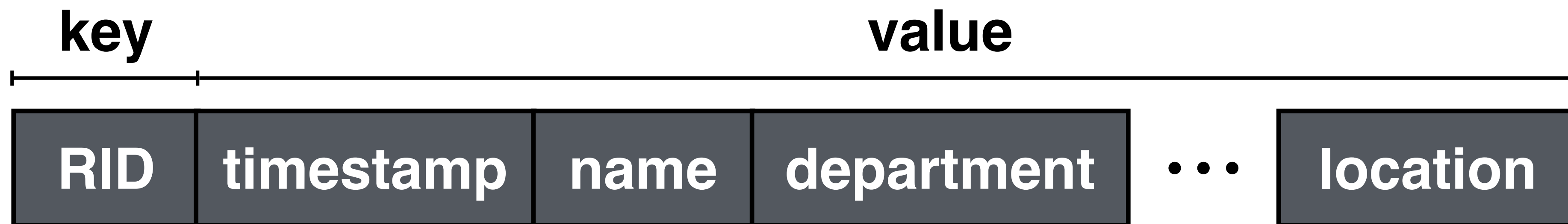


Part 3: Navigating the LSM Design Space



LSM Basics

key-value pairs

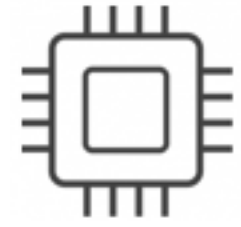


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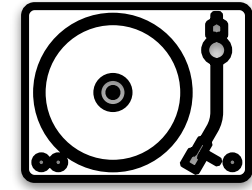
key-value pairs



LSM Basics



buffer



level 1



level 2



size ratio: T

level 3



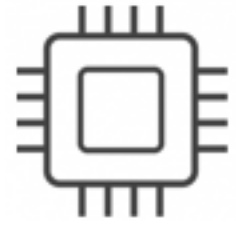
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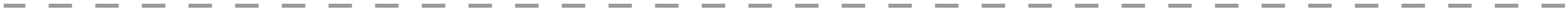
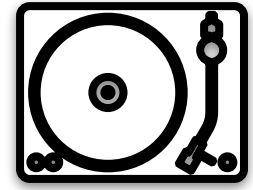
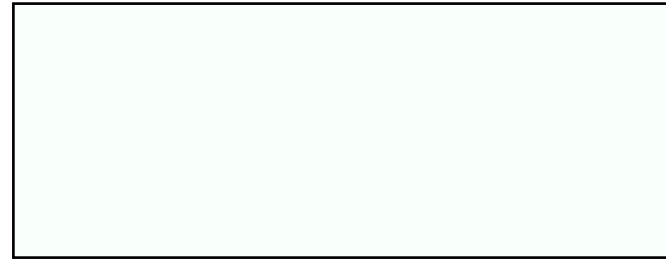
Buffering ingestion

put(6)

put(2)



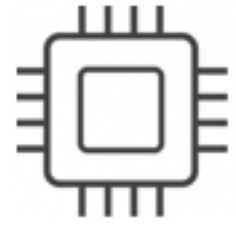
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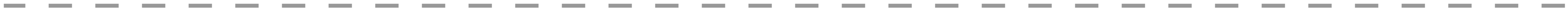
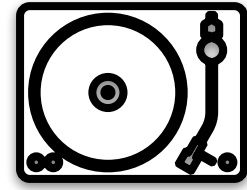
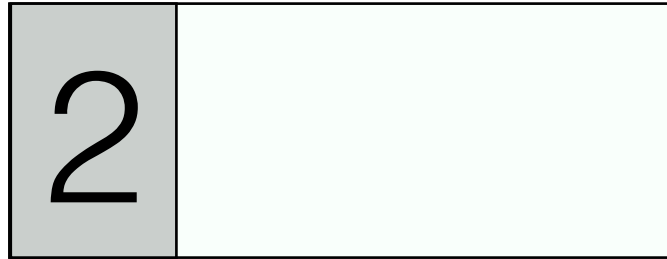
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put(1)

put(6)



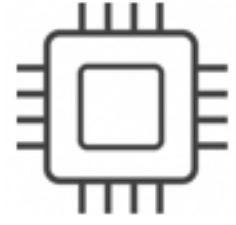
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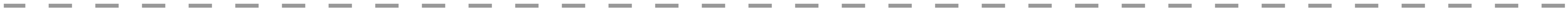
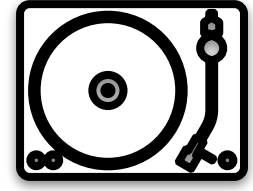
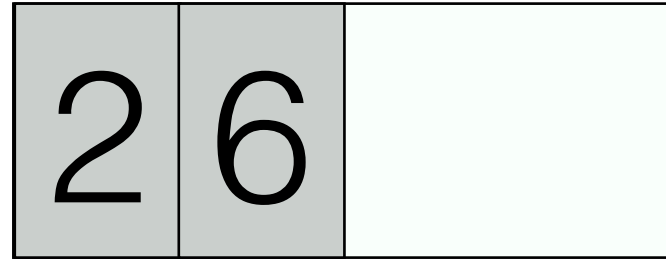
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put(4)

put(1)

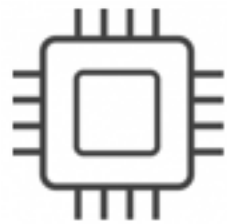


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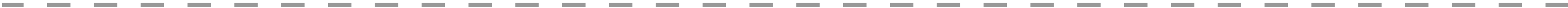
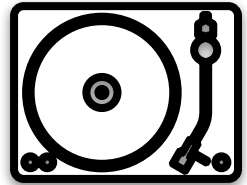
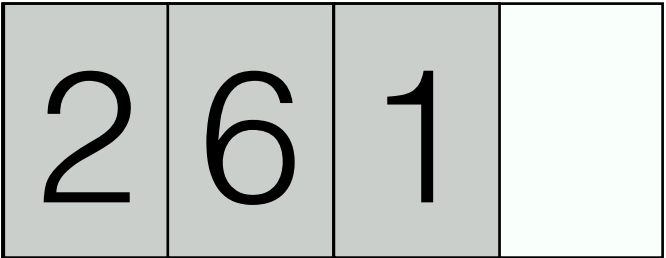


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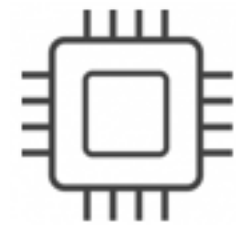
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put(4)
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buffer

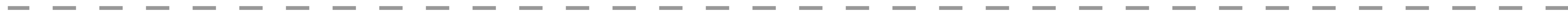
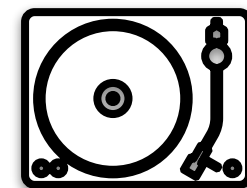


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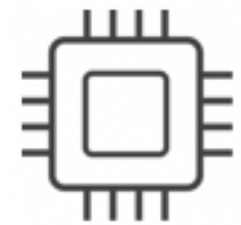


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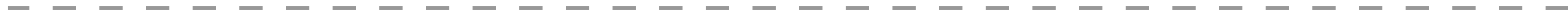
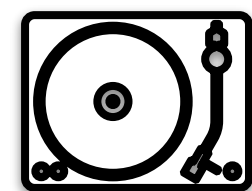
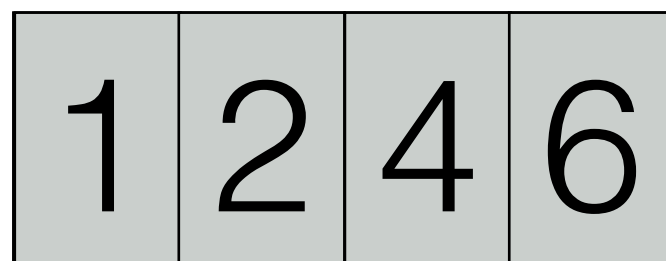
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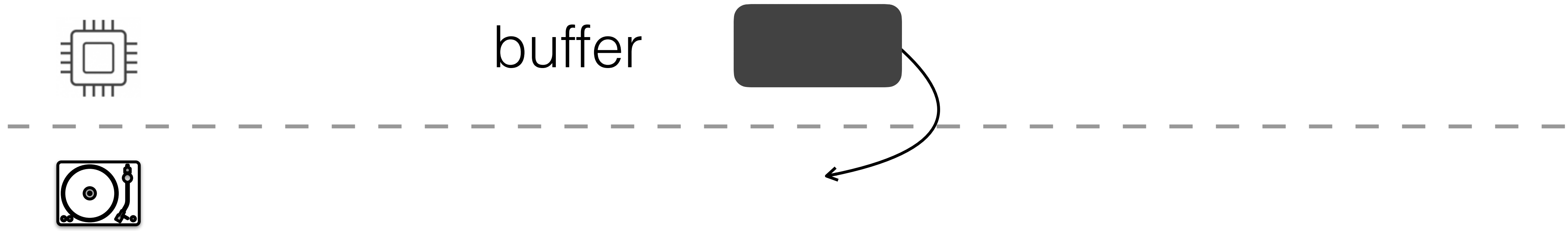
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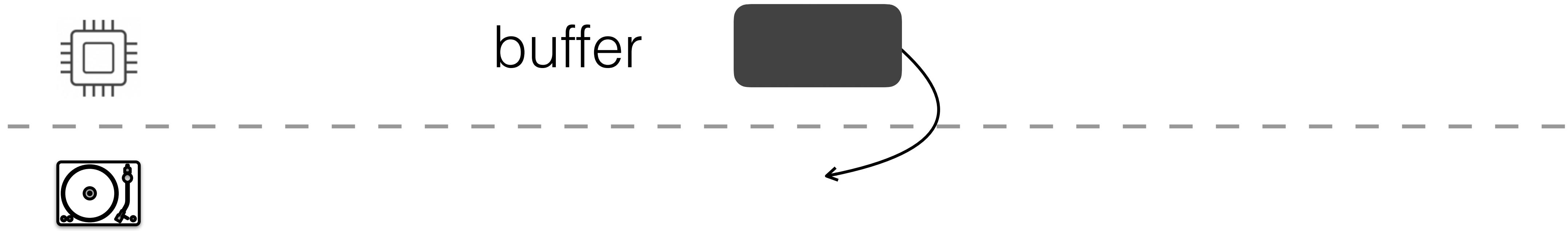
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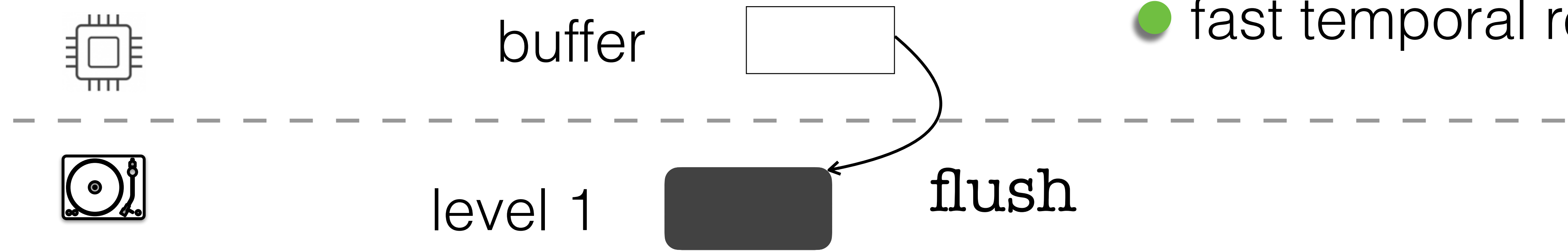


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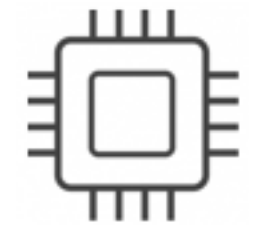


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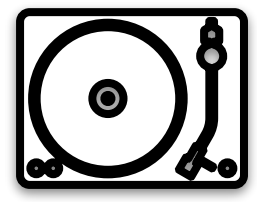
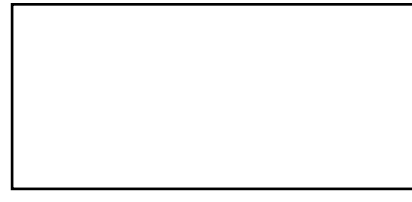
- low ingestion cost
- fast temporal reads



Immutable files on storage



buffer

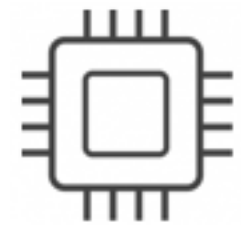


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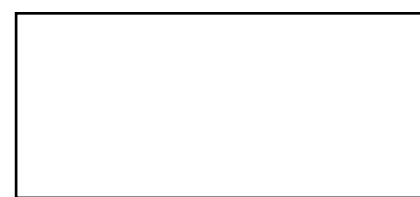


How do we update data?

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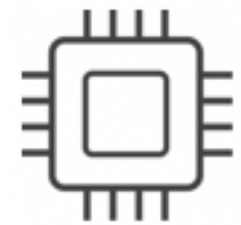


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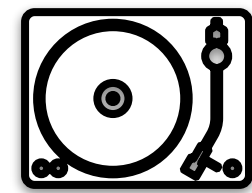


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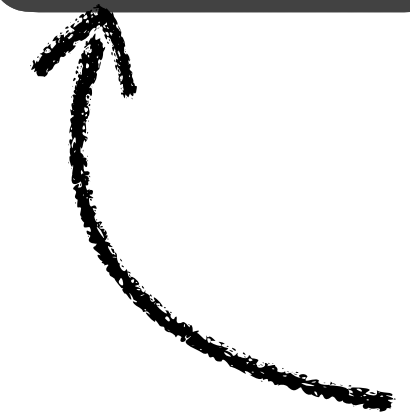
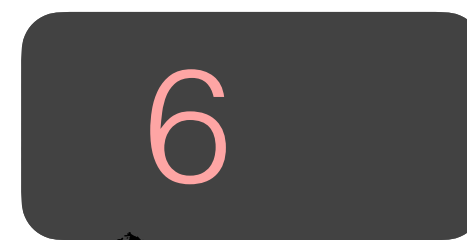




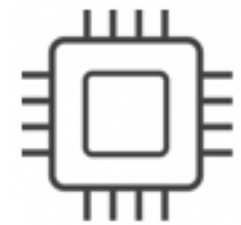
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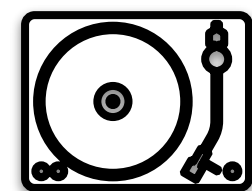
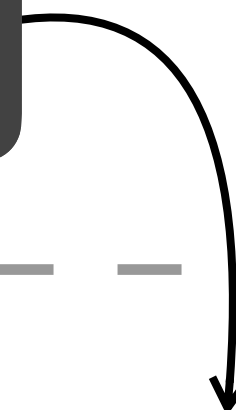


logically
invalidated



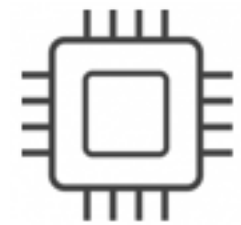
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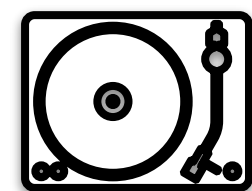
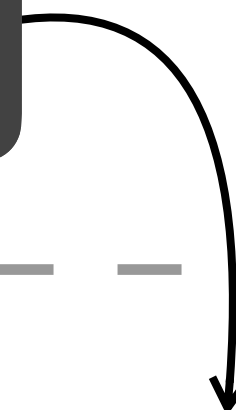
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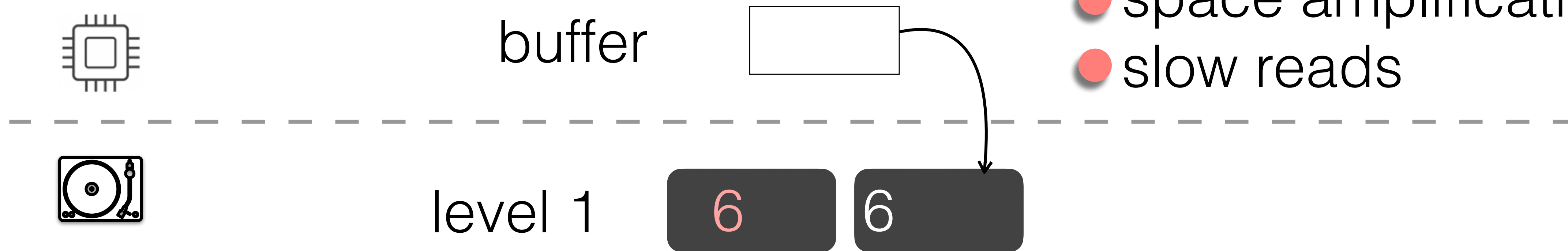


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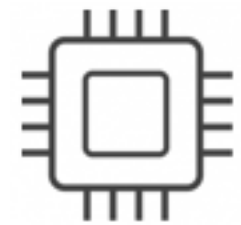
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Out-of-place updates

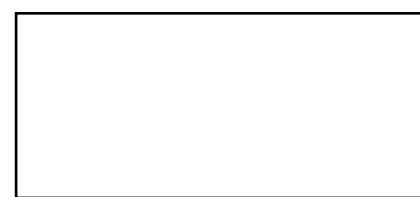
- fast ingestion
- space amplification
- slow reads



How do we reduce this space amplification?



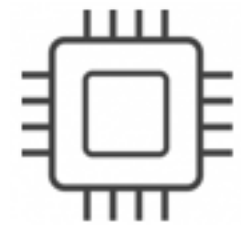
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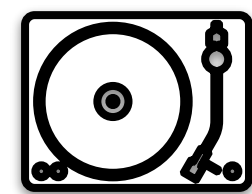
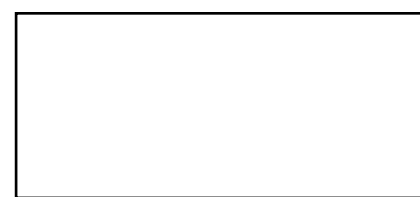
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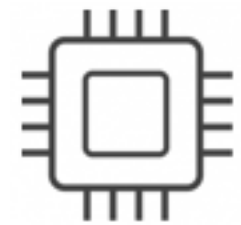
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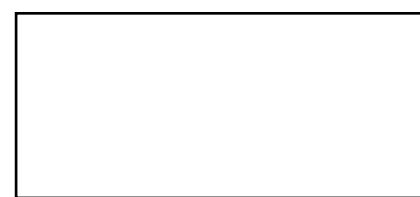
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compaction



buffer



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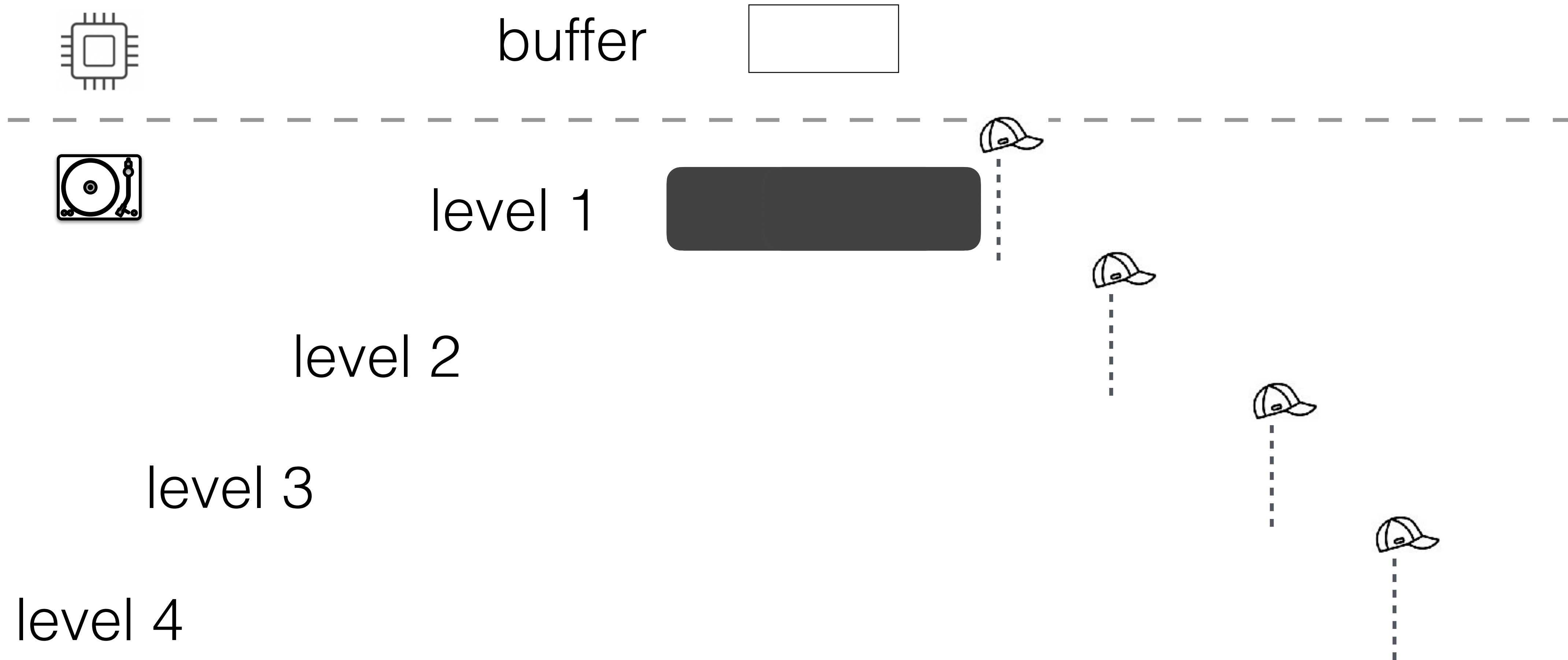
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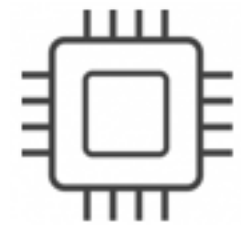


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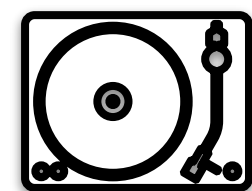


level 4





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level 1



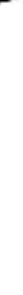
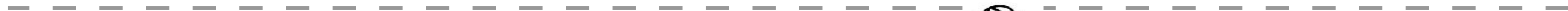
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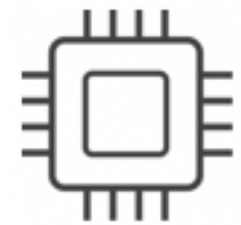


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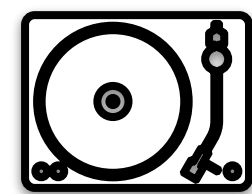
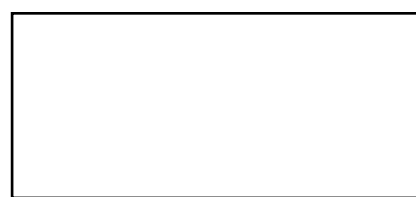


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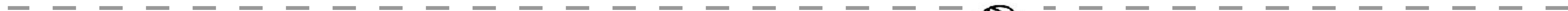
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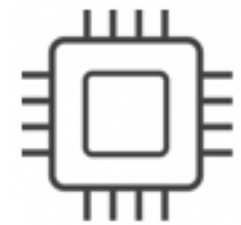


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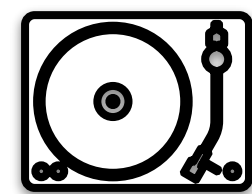
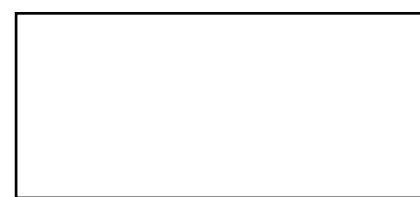


level 4





buffer



level 1



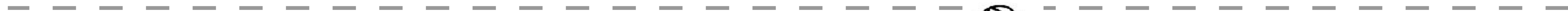
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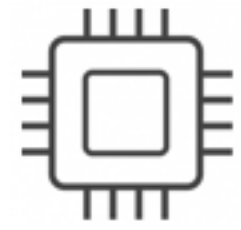


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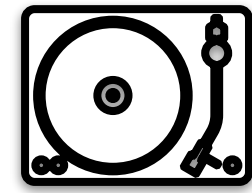


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buffer



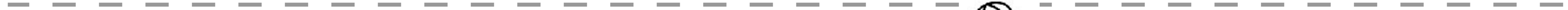
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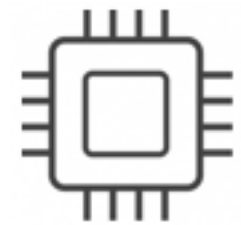
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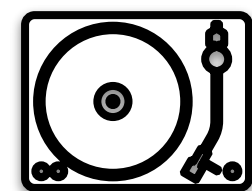
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level 4





buffer



level 1



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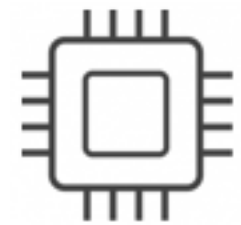


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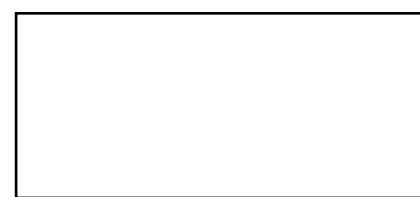


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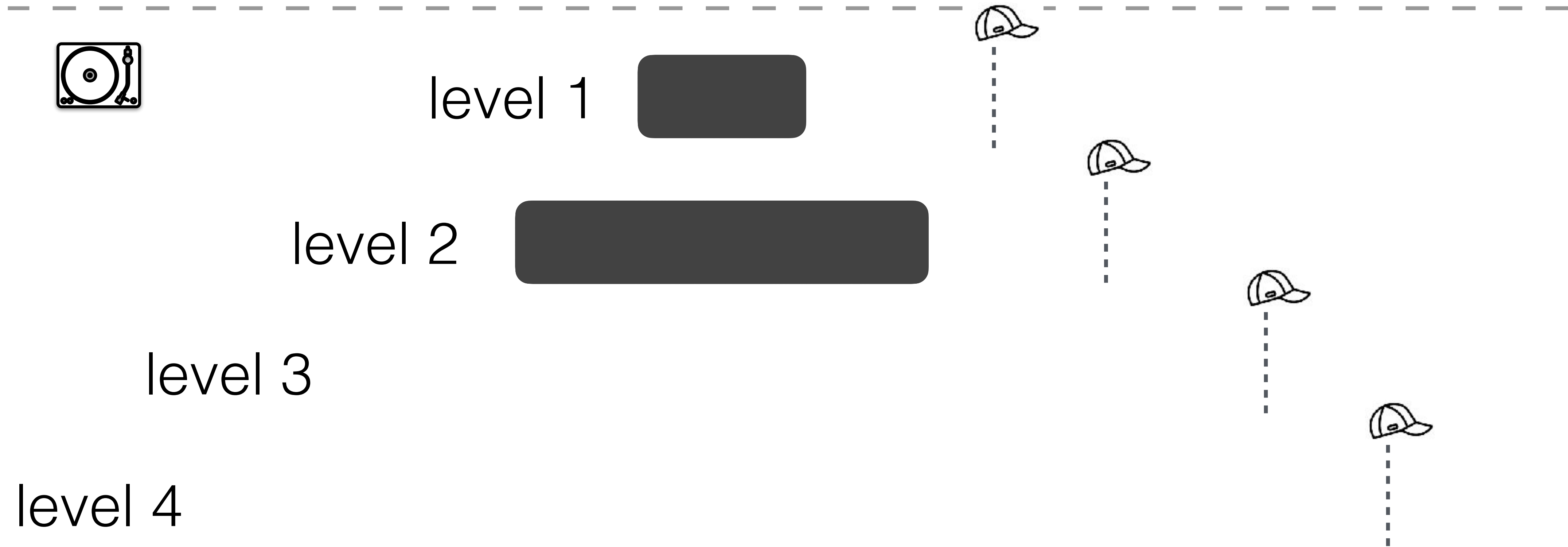


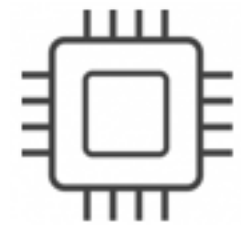
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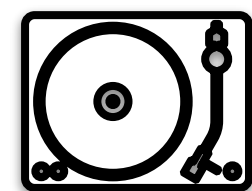
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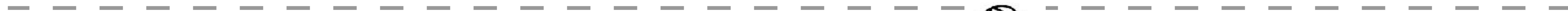


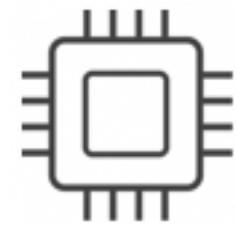
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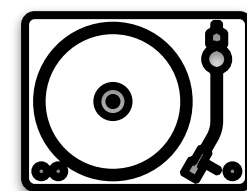
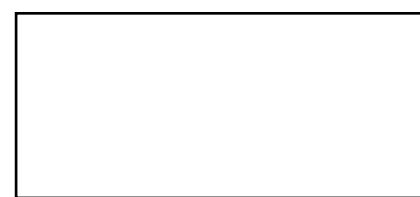
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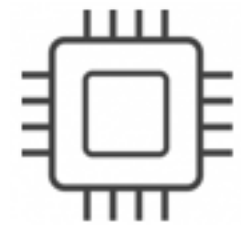
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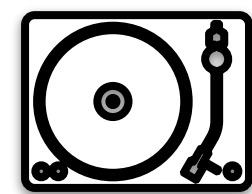
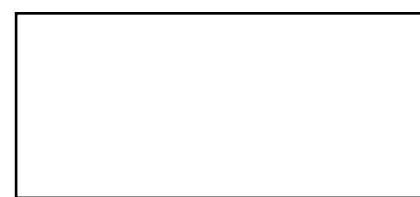
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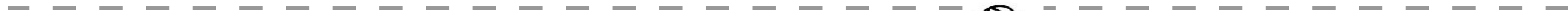
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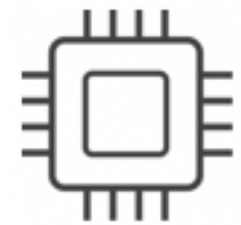


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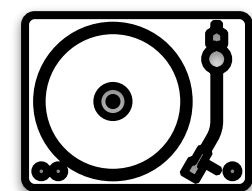


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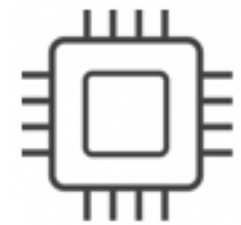


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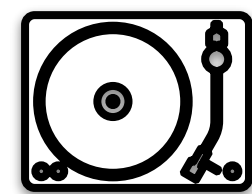
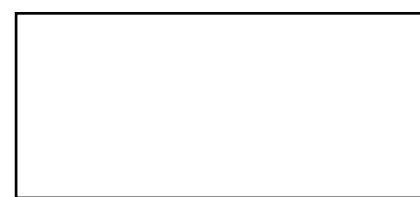


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buffer



level 1

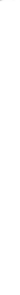
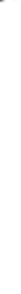
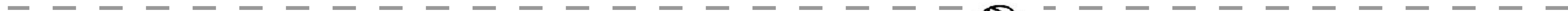


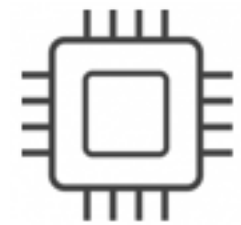
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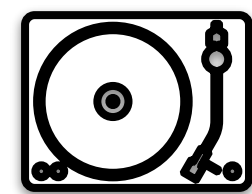
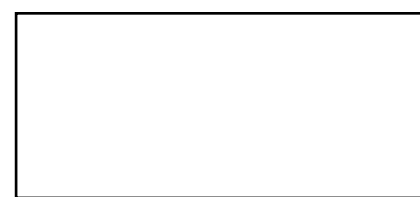
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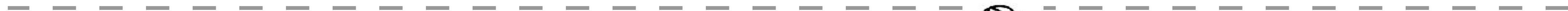
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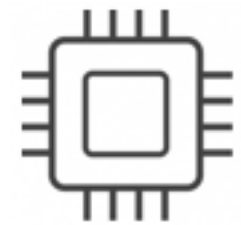


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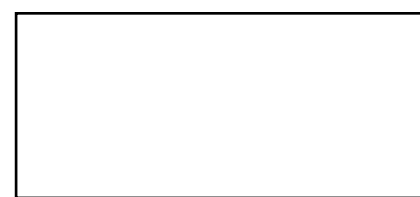


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buffer



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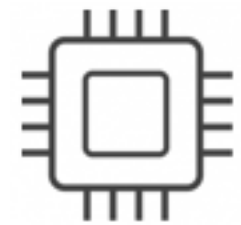
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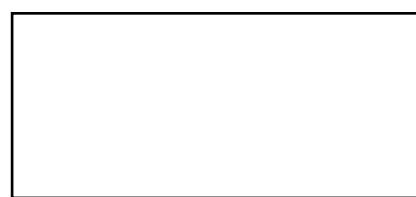
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buffer



level 1



level 2

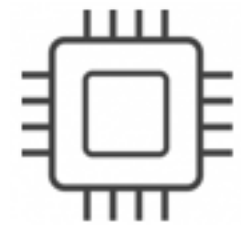


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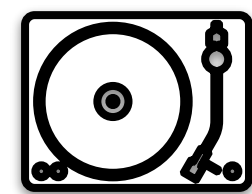
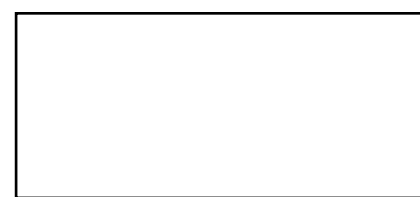


level 4





buffer



level 1

level 2

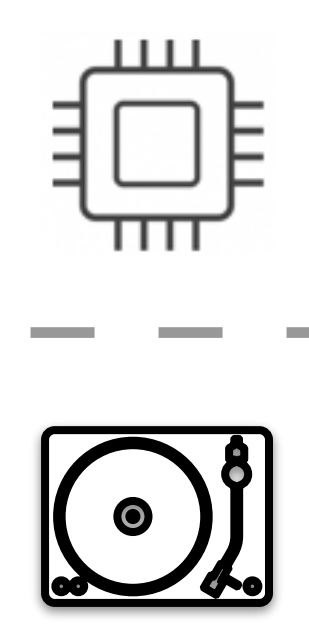
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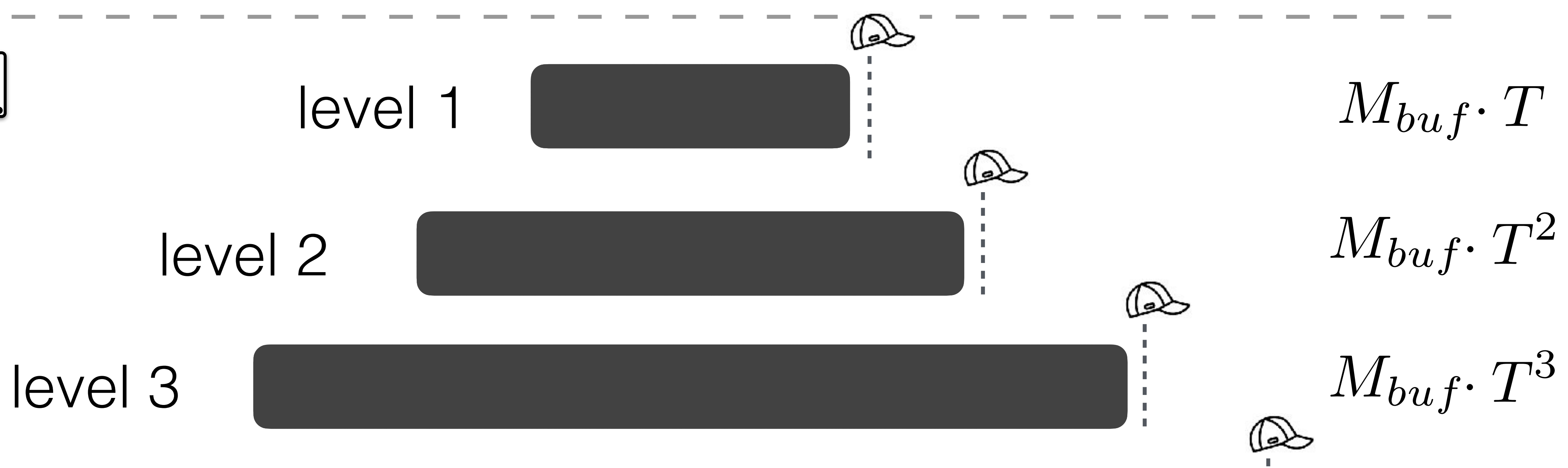
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M_{buf} : buffer memory
 T : size ratio



buffer M_{buf}

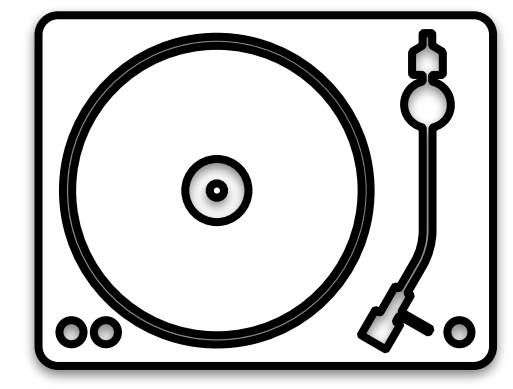
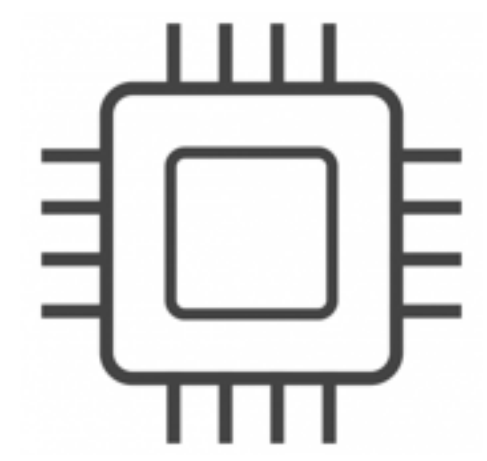


How about queries?

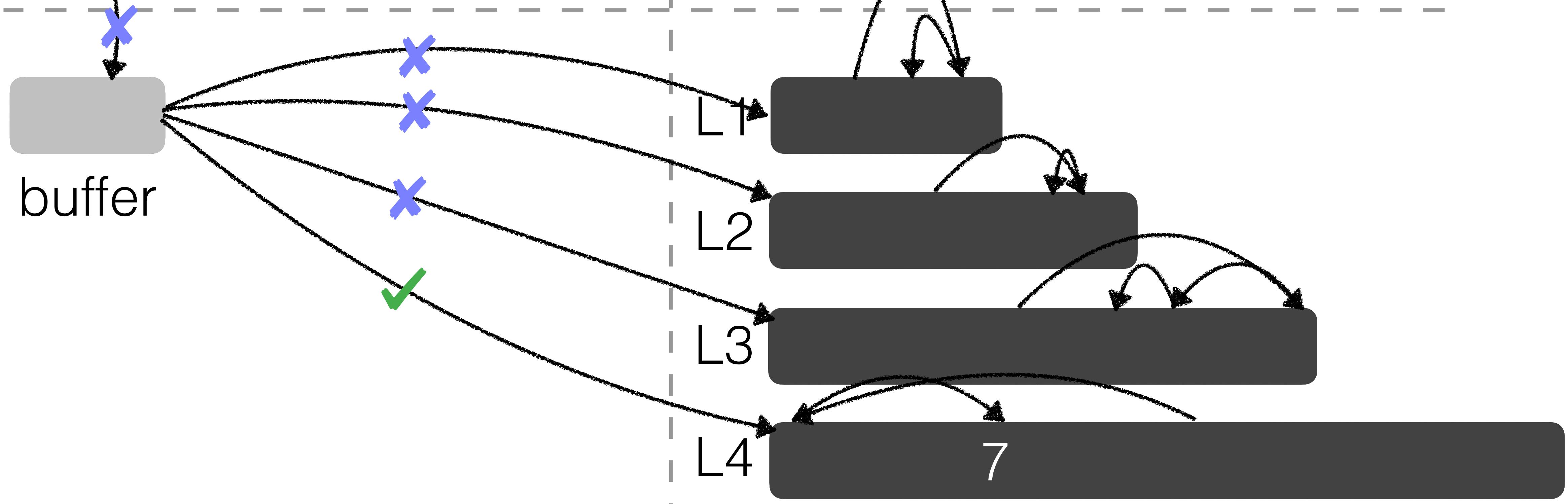
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 N : #entries

Cost analysis

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



get(7)

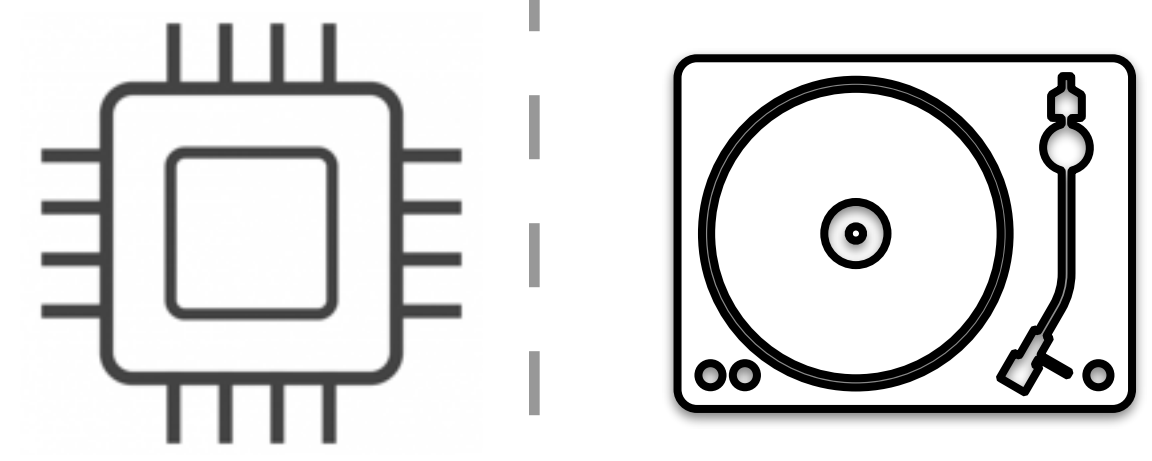


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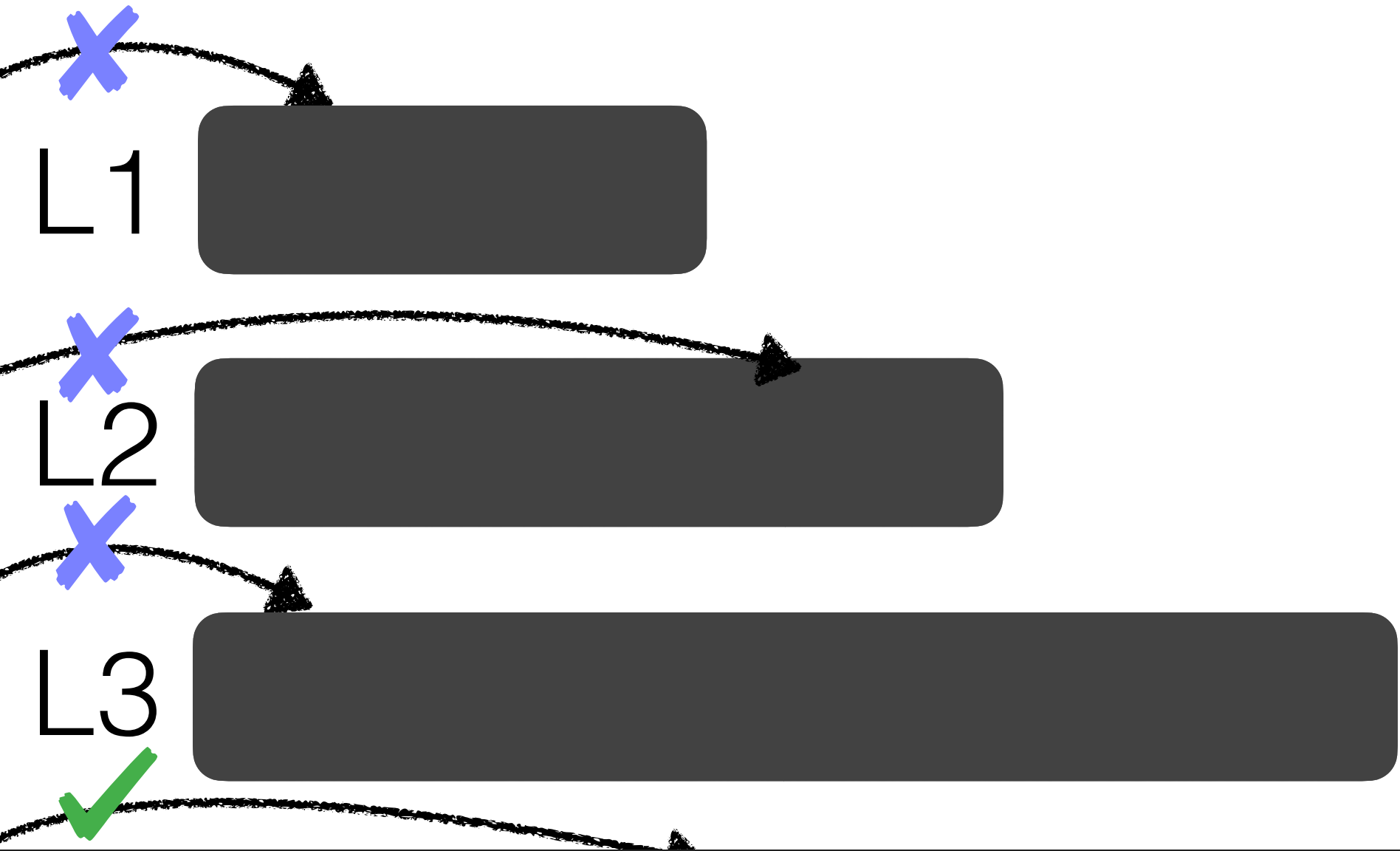
w/ index: $\mathcal{O}(\log_T N)$



get(7)



buffer

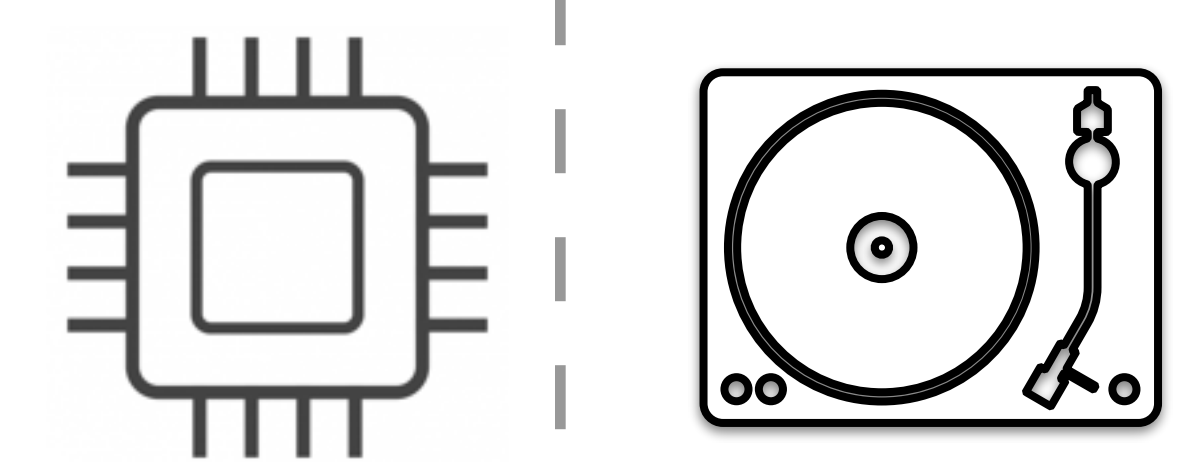


Can we do better?

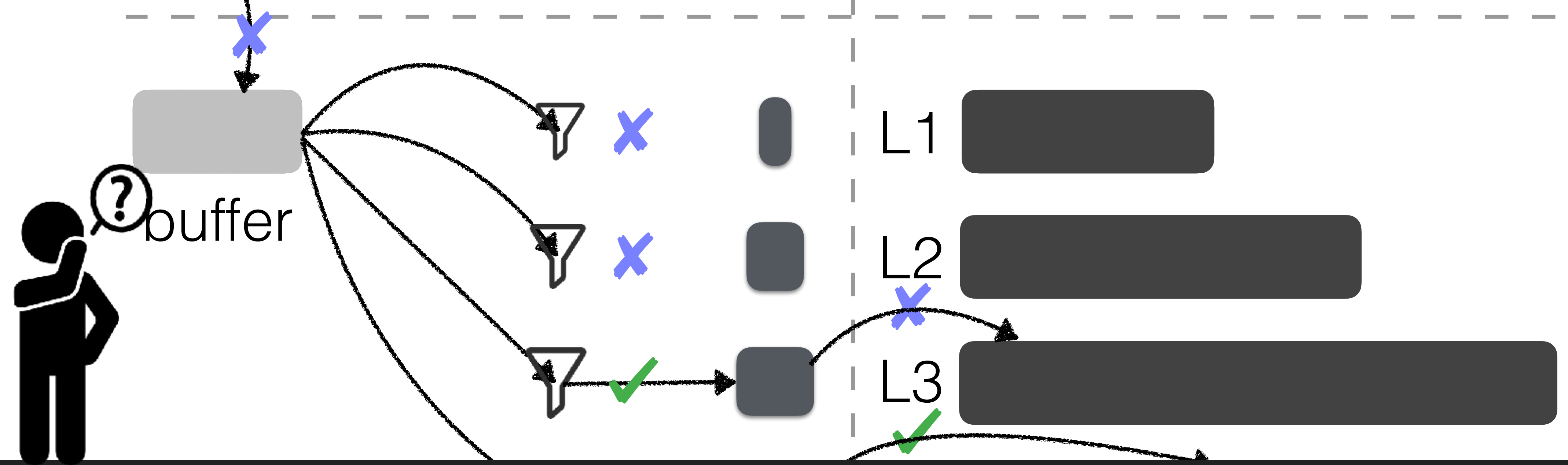
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Cost analysis

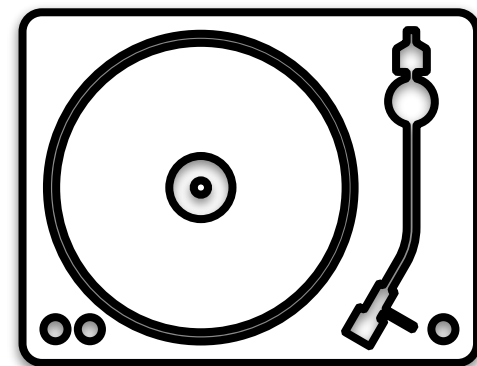
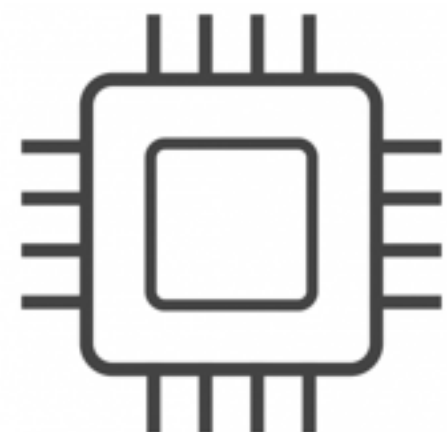
w/o F&I: $\mathcal{O}(\log_2 N \cdot \log_T N)$
 w/ index: $\mathcal{O}(\log_T N)$
 w F&I: $\mathcal{O}(\phi \cdot \log_T N)$



get(7)



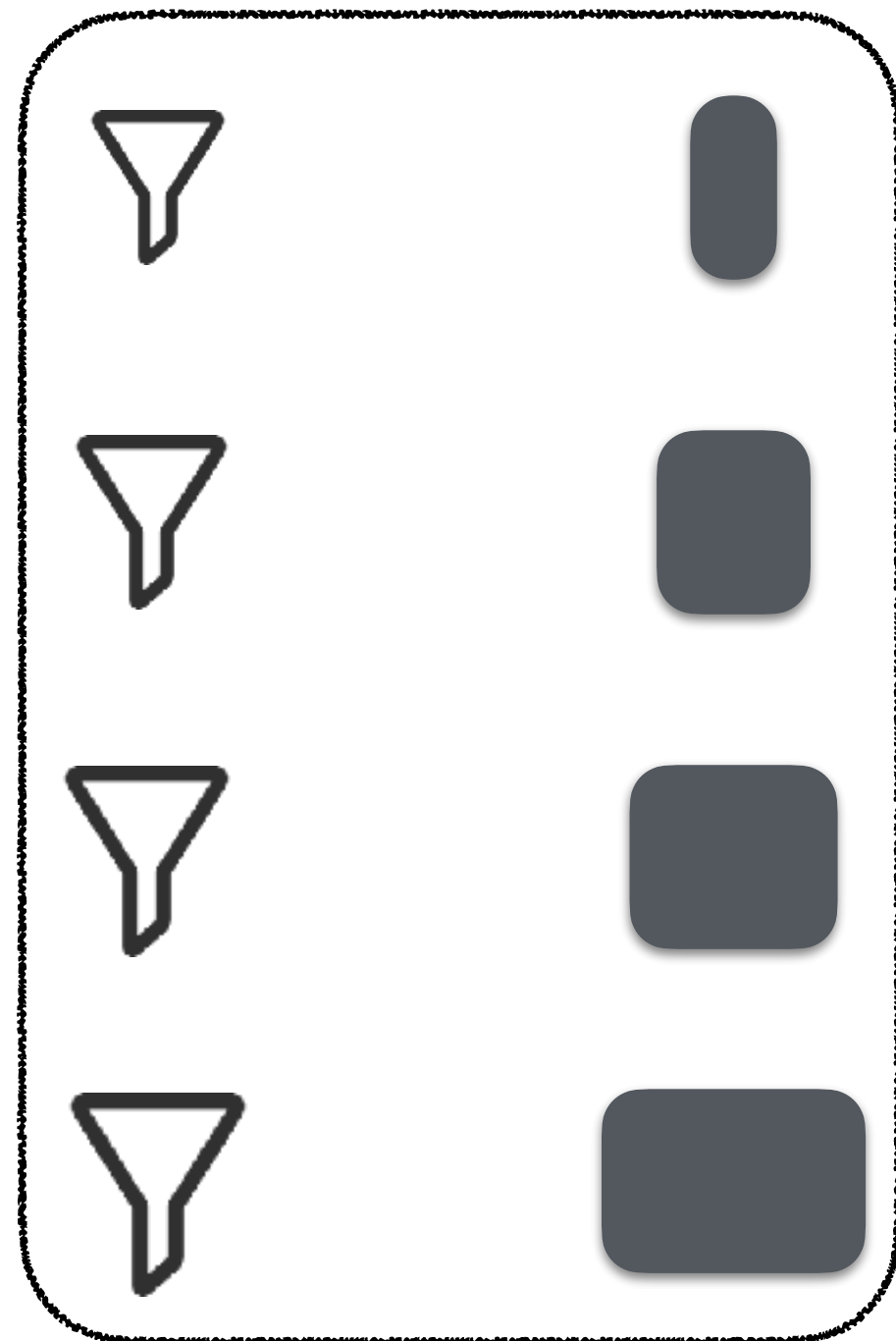
How to manage memory?



buffer



block cache



filters

fence
pointers

L1



L2



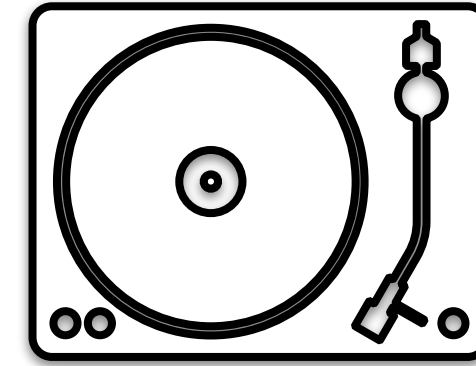
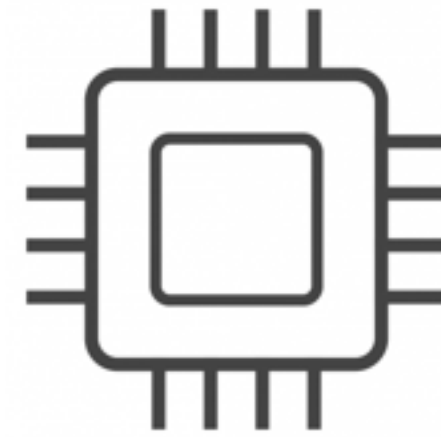
L3



L4



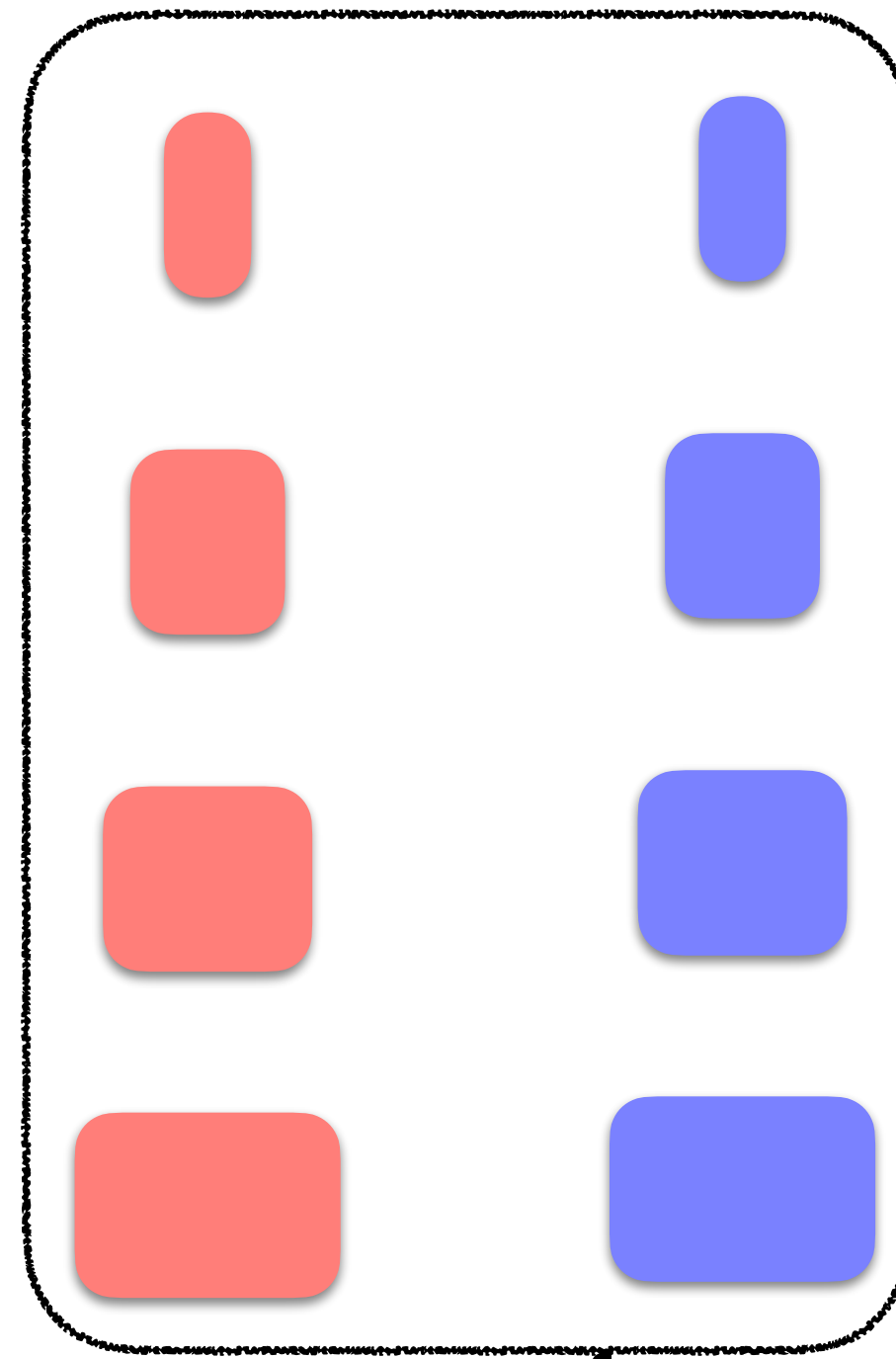
Block Cache



buffer



block cache



filters

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L1



L2



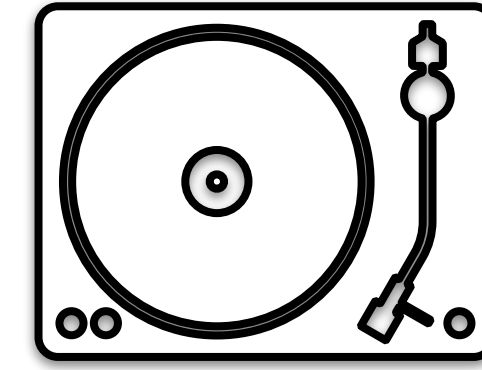
L3




L4



Block Cache



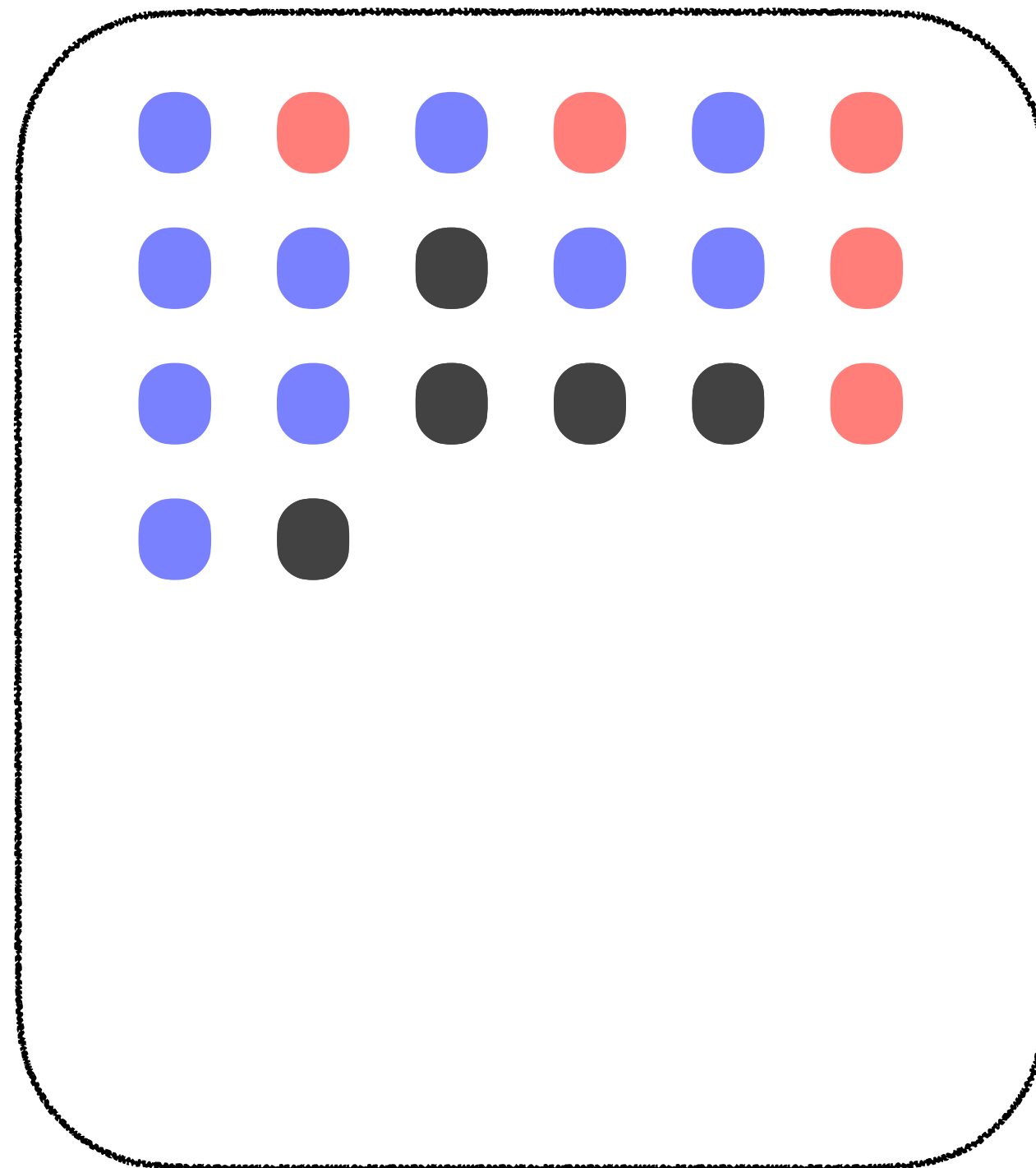

Bloom
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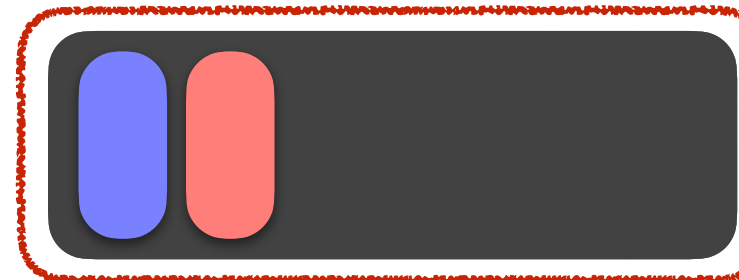
get(7)



buffer



L1



L2



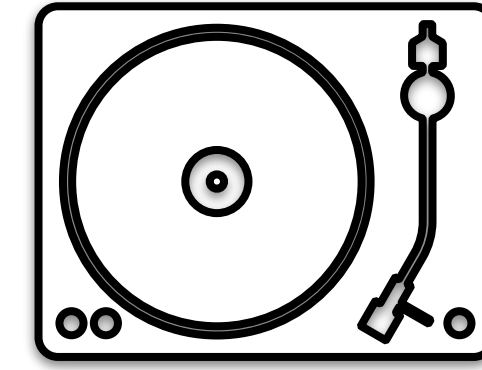
L3





L4



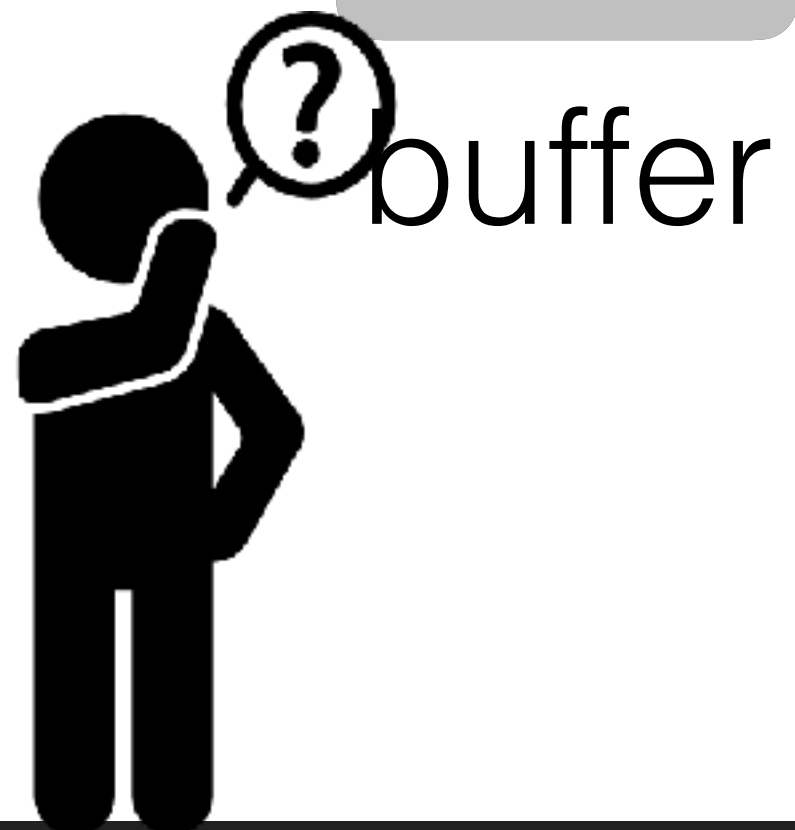
Block Cache



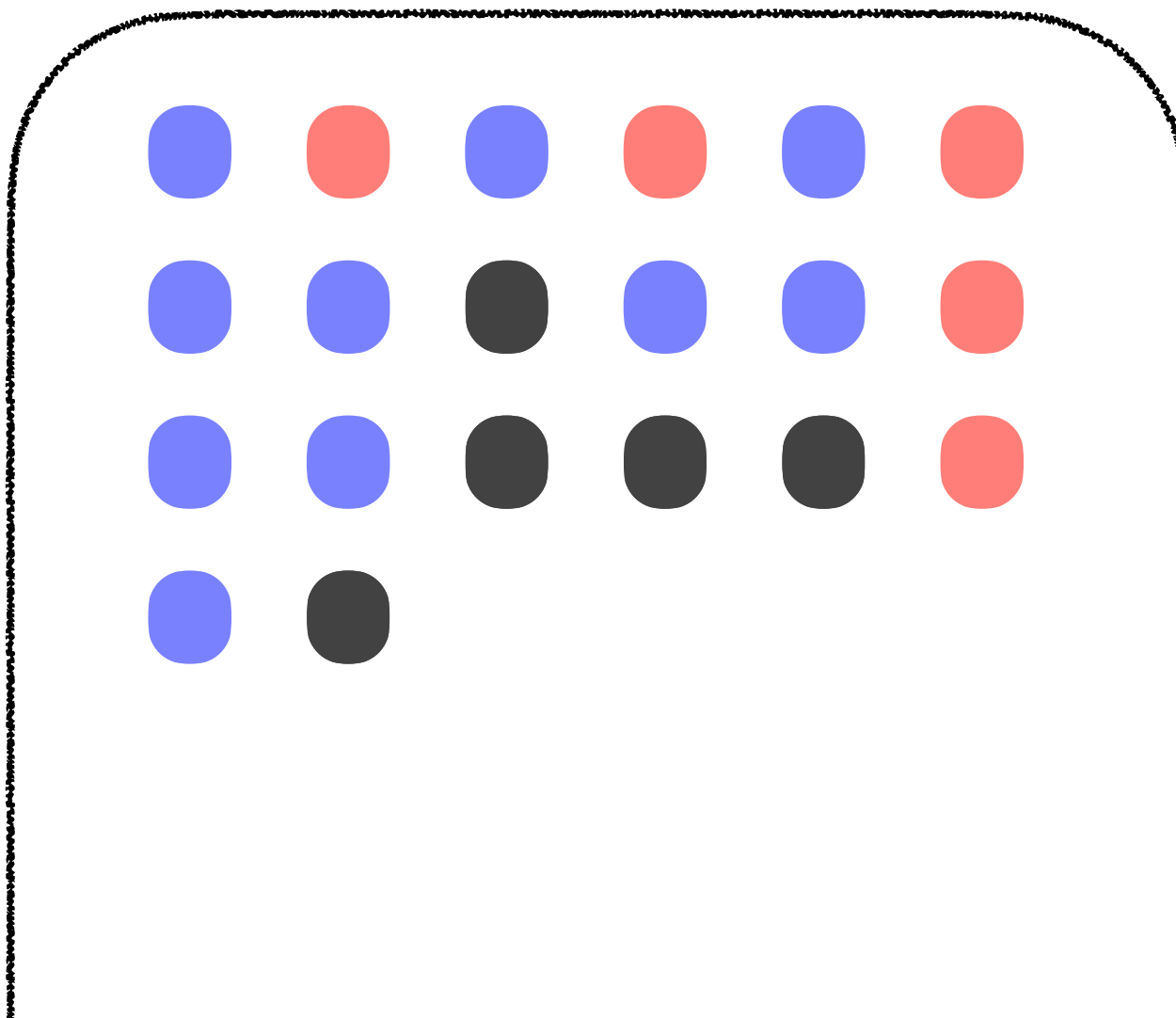

Bloom
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pointers

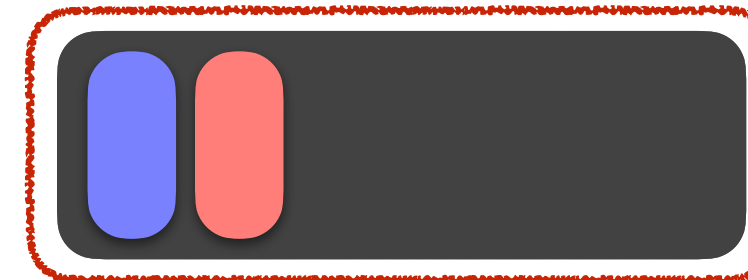
get(7)



buffer



L1



L2



L3

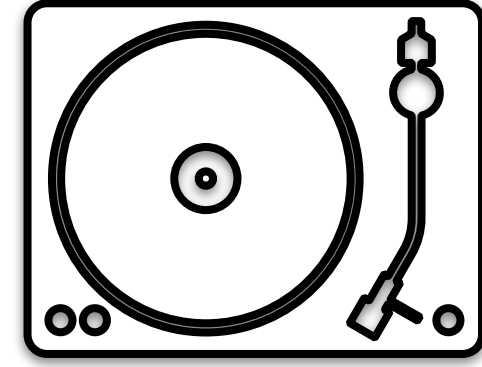
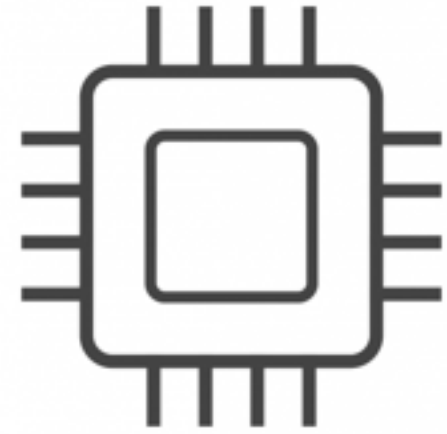


What about range queries?

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

s : selectivity LRQ

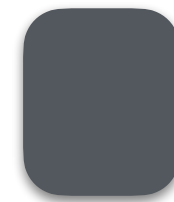
Range Queries



buffer



filters



fence
pointers

L1

L2

L3

L4



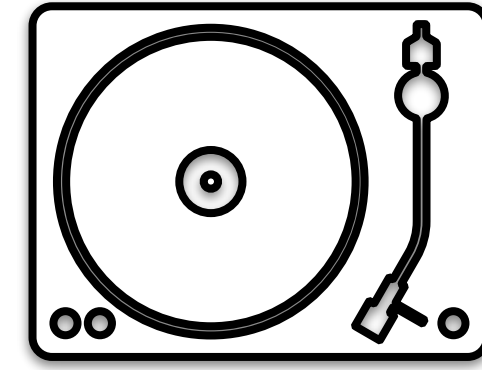
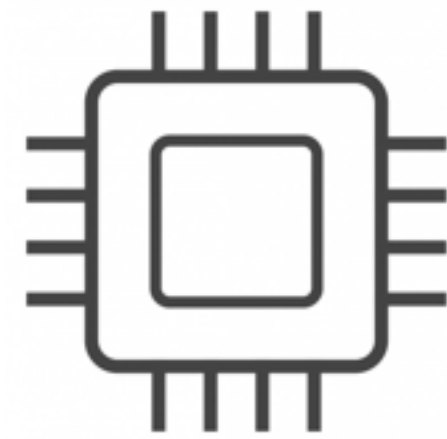
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Range Queries

Cost analysis

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



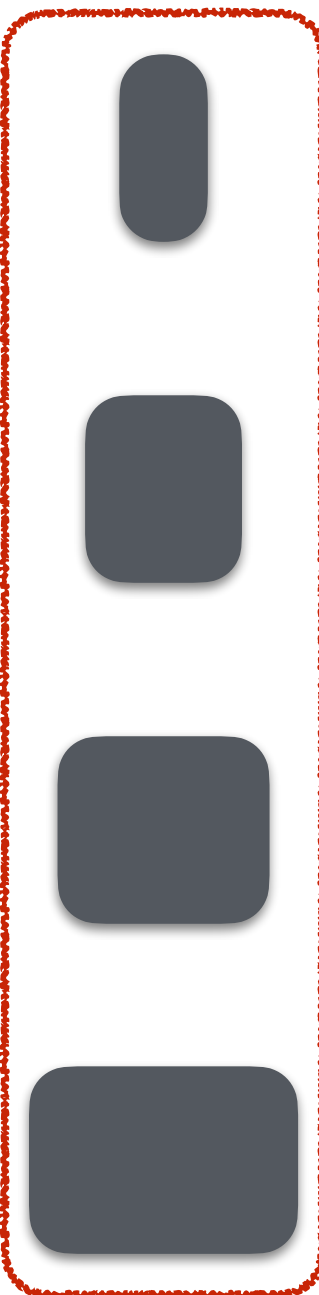
get(9,90)



buffer



filters



fence
pointers

L1



L2



L3



L4



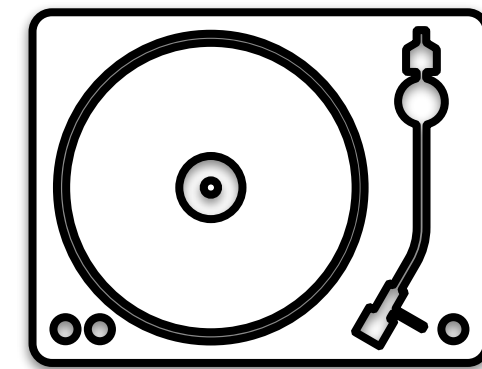
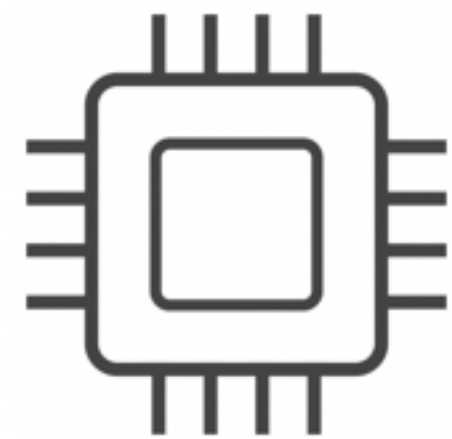
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 T : size ratio
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 ϕ : FPR of BF

s : selectivity SRQ

Range Queries

Cost analysis

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



get(9, 15)



buffer



L1



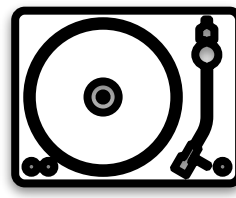
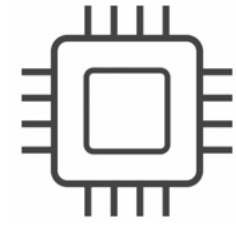
L2



L3

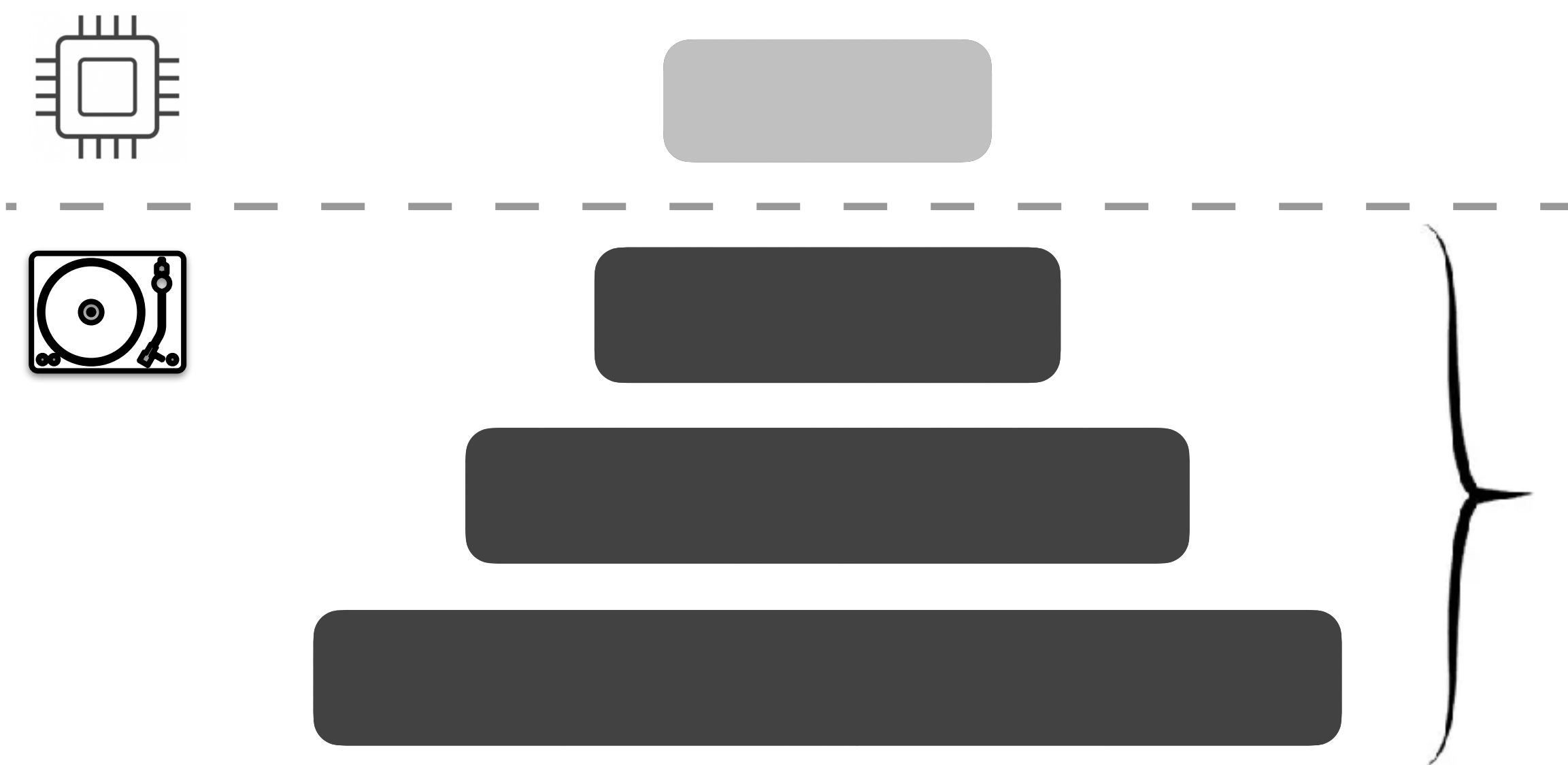


More on LSM Reads in Part 2.



most data
on storage

L : #levels
 T : size ratio

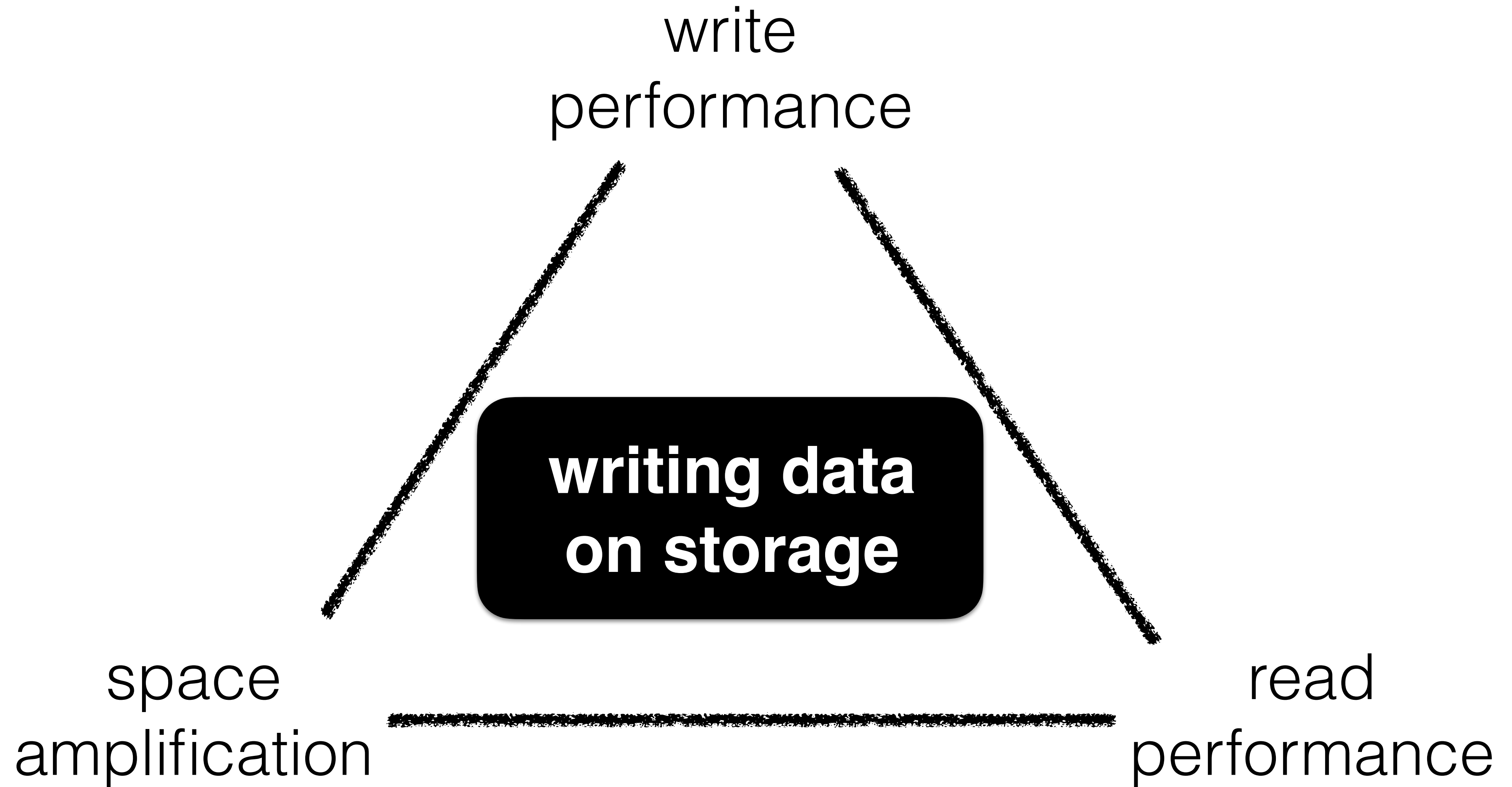


most data
on storage

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

99.9% on storage

Performance Tradeoff



Data **Layout**

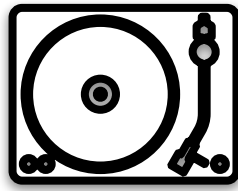
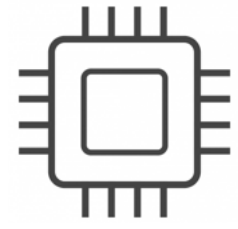
Classical LSM design: **leveling**

[eager merging]



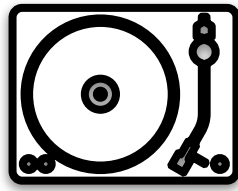
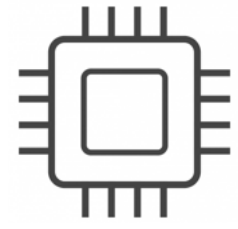
Data **L**ayout

leveling [eager]



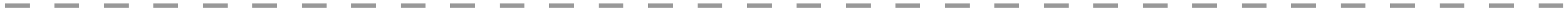
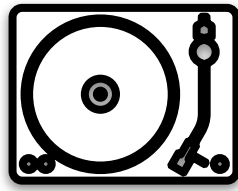
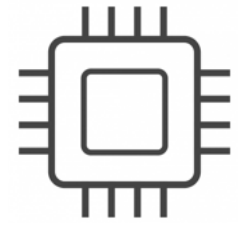
Data **L**ayout

leveling [eager]



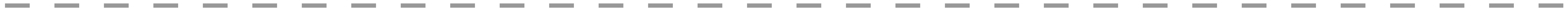
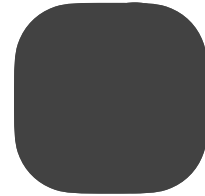
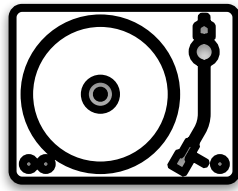
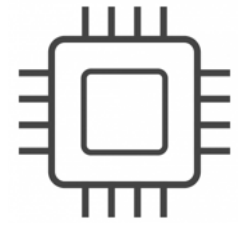
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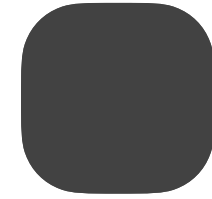
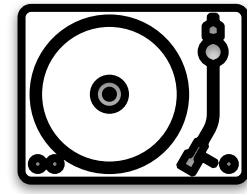
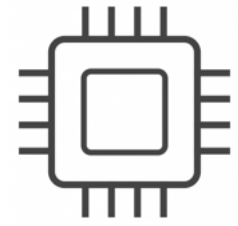
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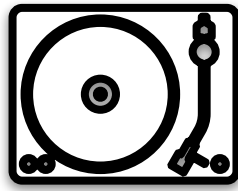
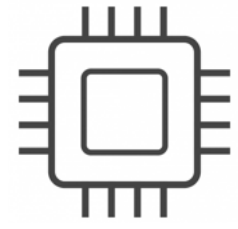
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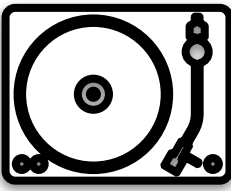
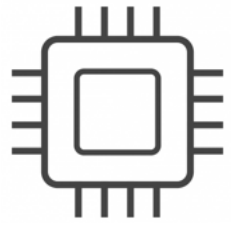
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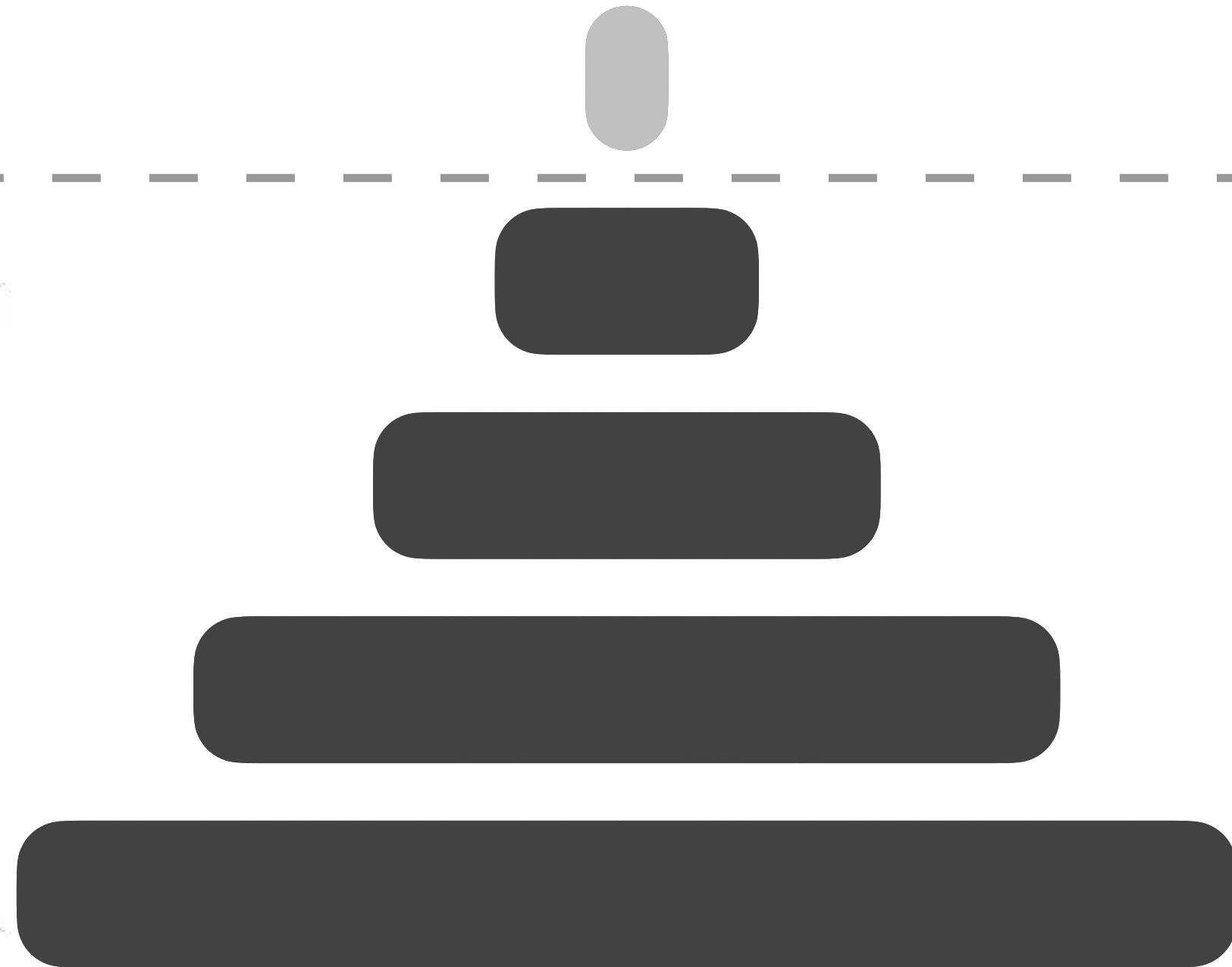


Data Layout

leveling [eager]



1 run
per level

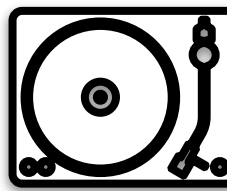
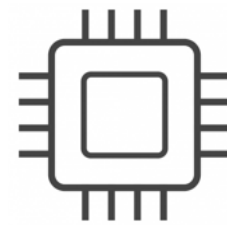


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- good space amplification
- high write amplification

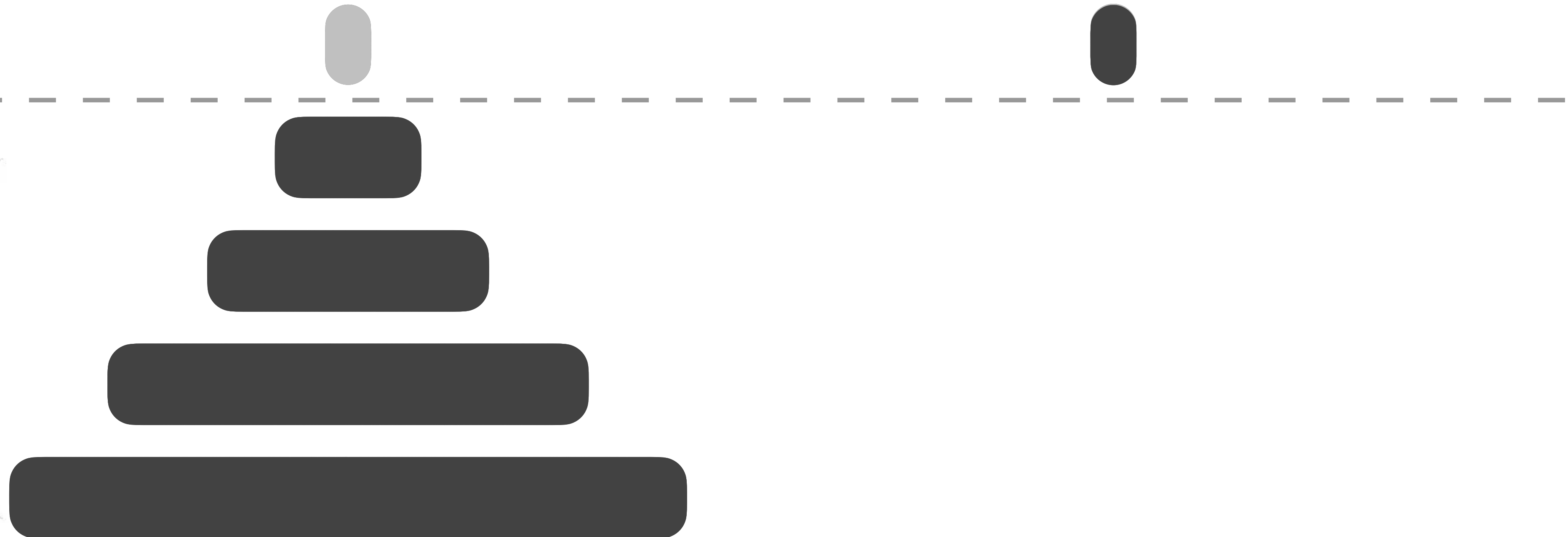
Data Layout

leveling [eager]

tiering [lazy]



1 run
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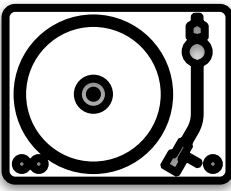
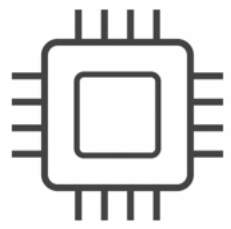


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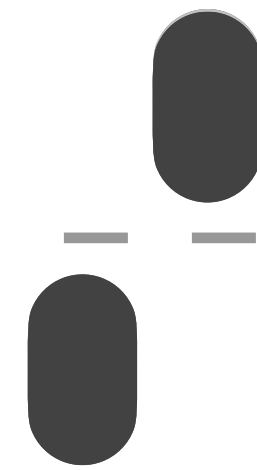
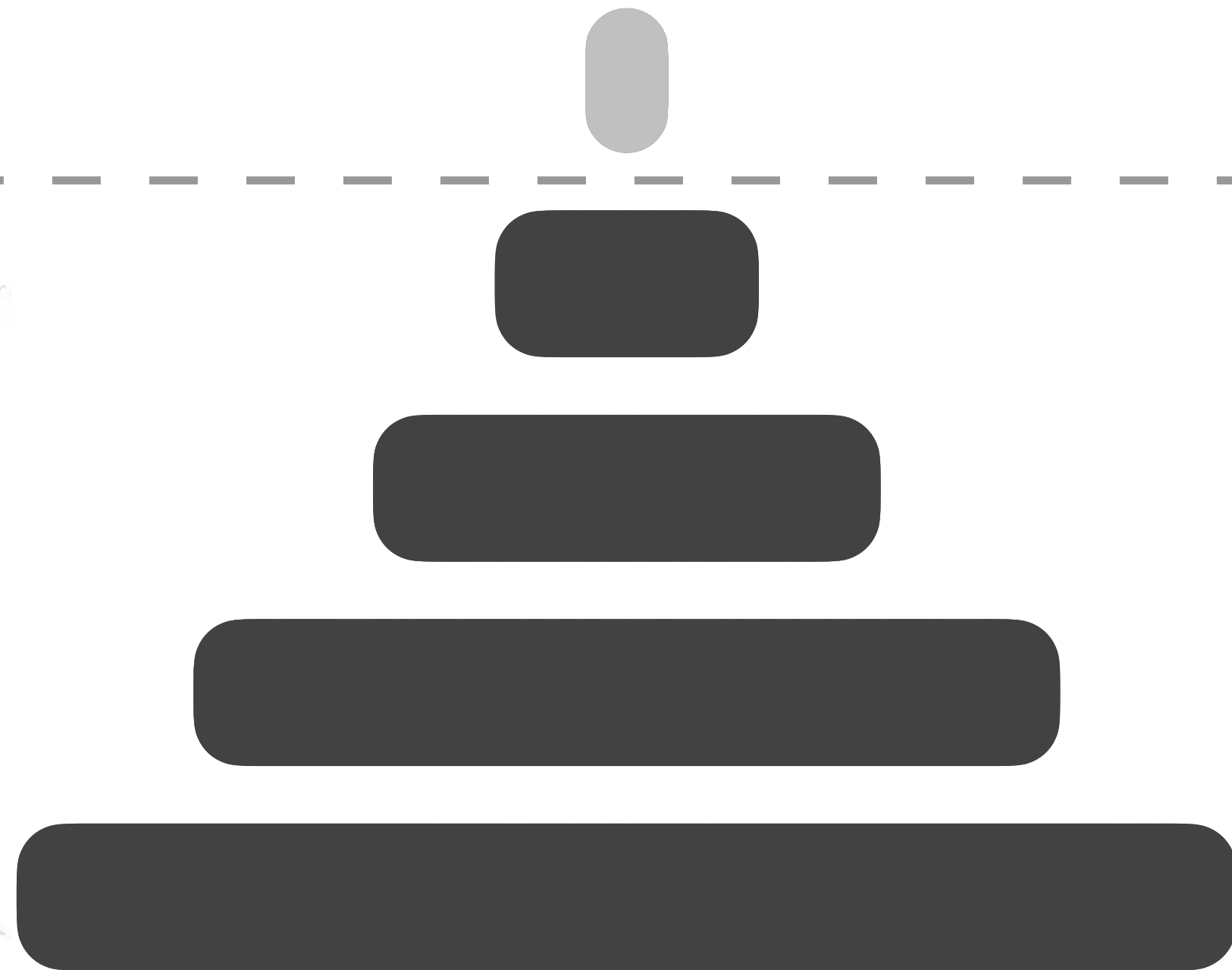
Data Layout

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1 run
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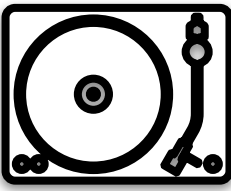
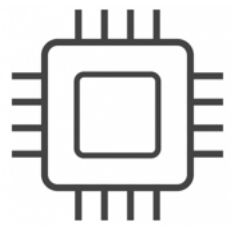


- good read performance
- good space amplification
- high write amplification

Data Layout

leveling [eager]

tiering [lazy]



1 run
per level

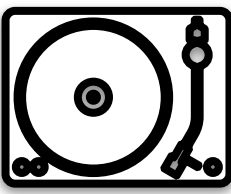
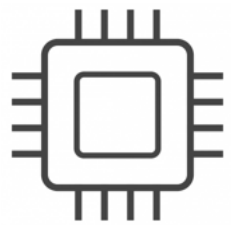


- good read performance
- good space amplification
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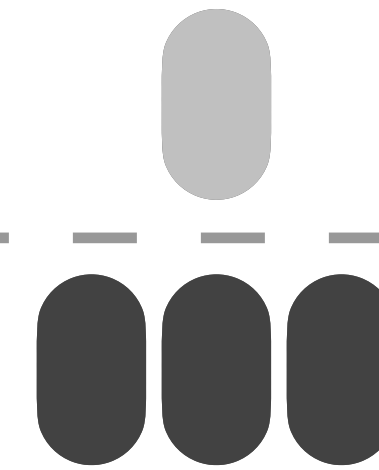
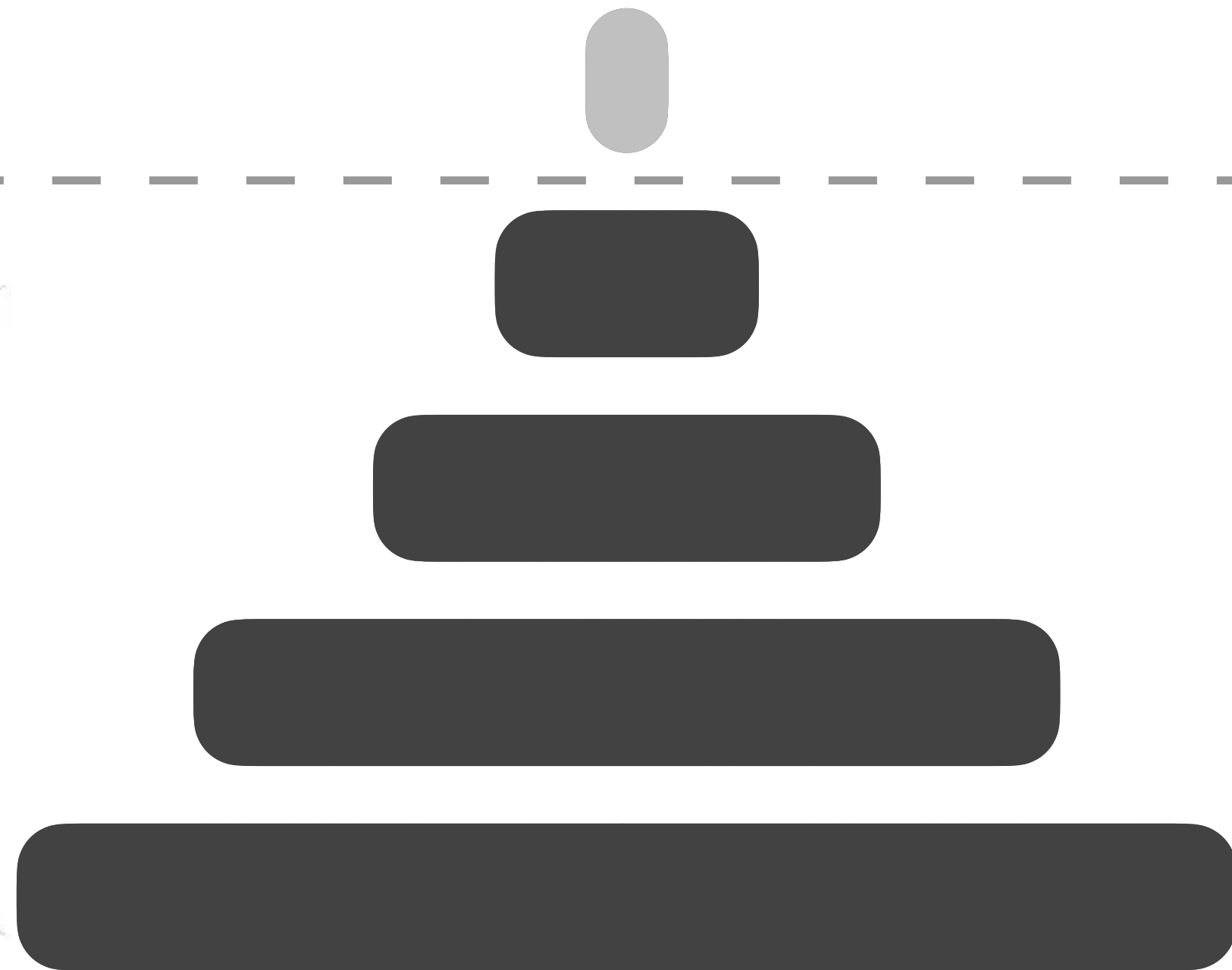
Data Layout

leveling [eager]

tiering [lazy]



1 run
per level

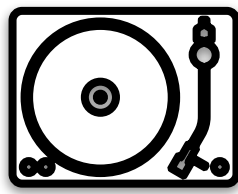
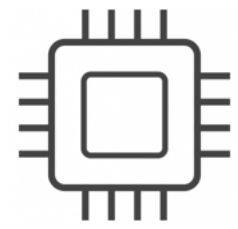


- good read performance
- good space amplification
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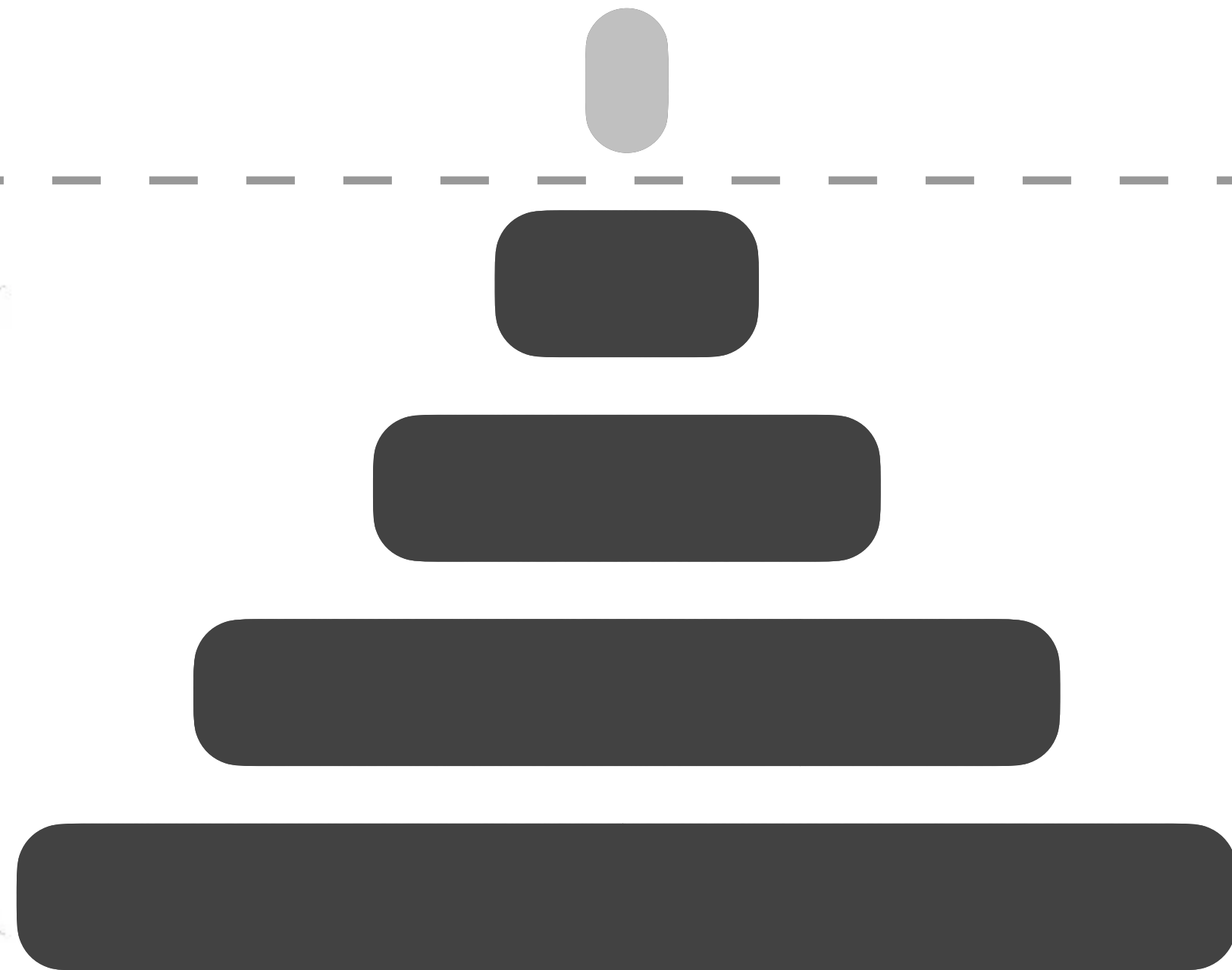
Data Layout

leveling [eager]

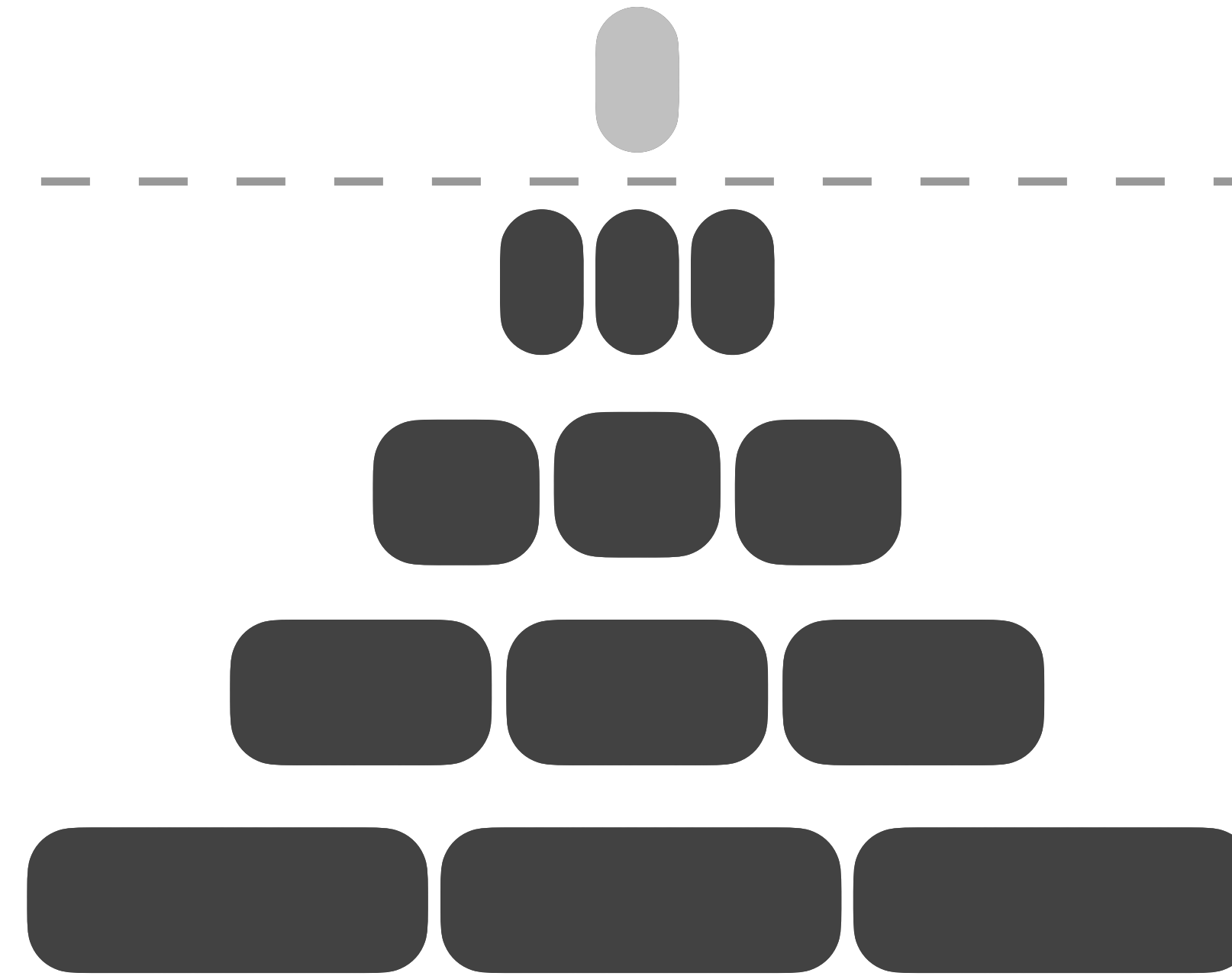
tiering [lazy]



1 run
per level



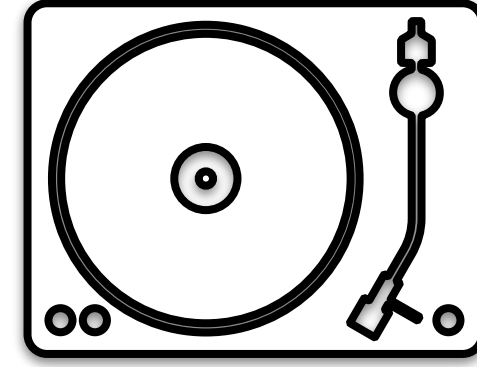
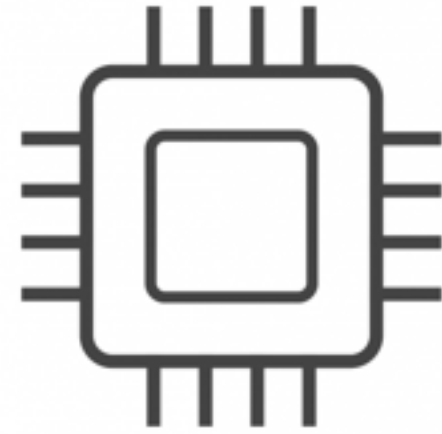
T runs
per level



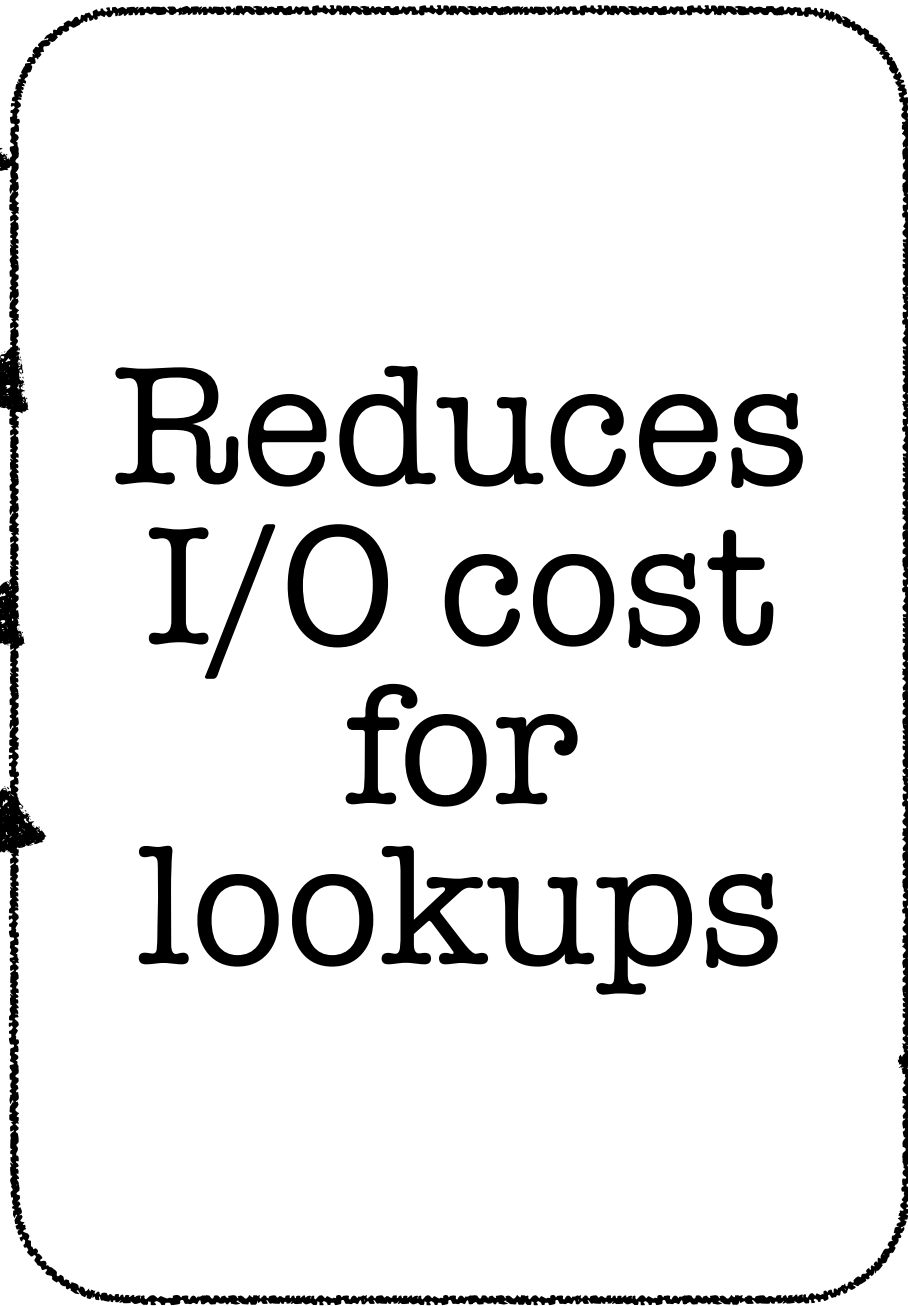
- good read performance
- good space amplification
- high write amplification

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

get(7)



buffer



auxiliary data structures

L1



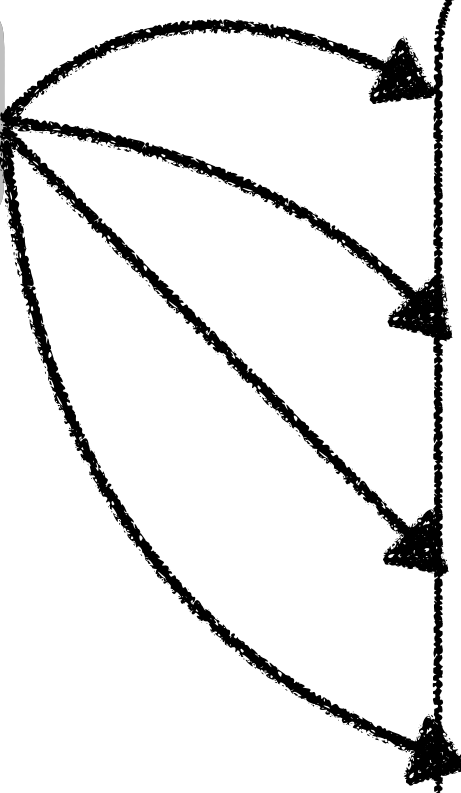
L2



L3



L4

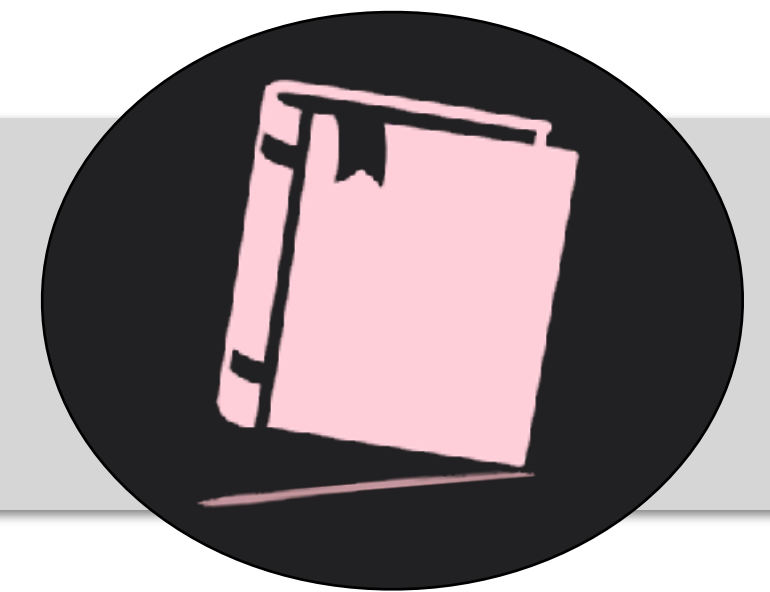


Outline

Part 1: LSM Basics



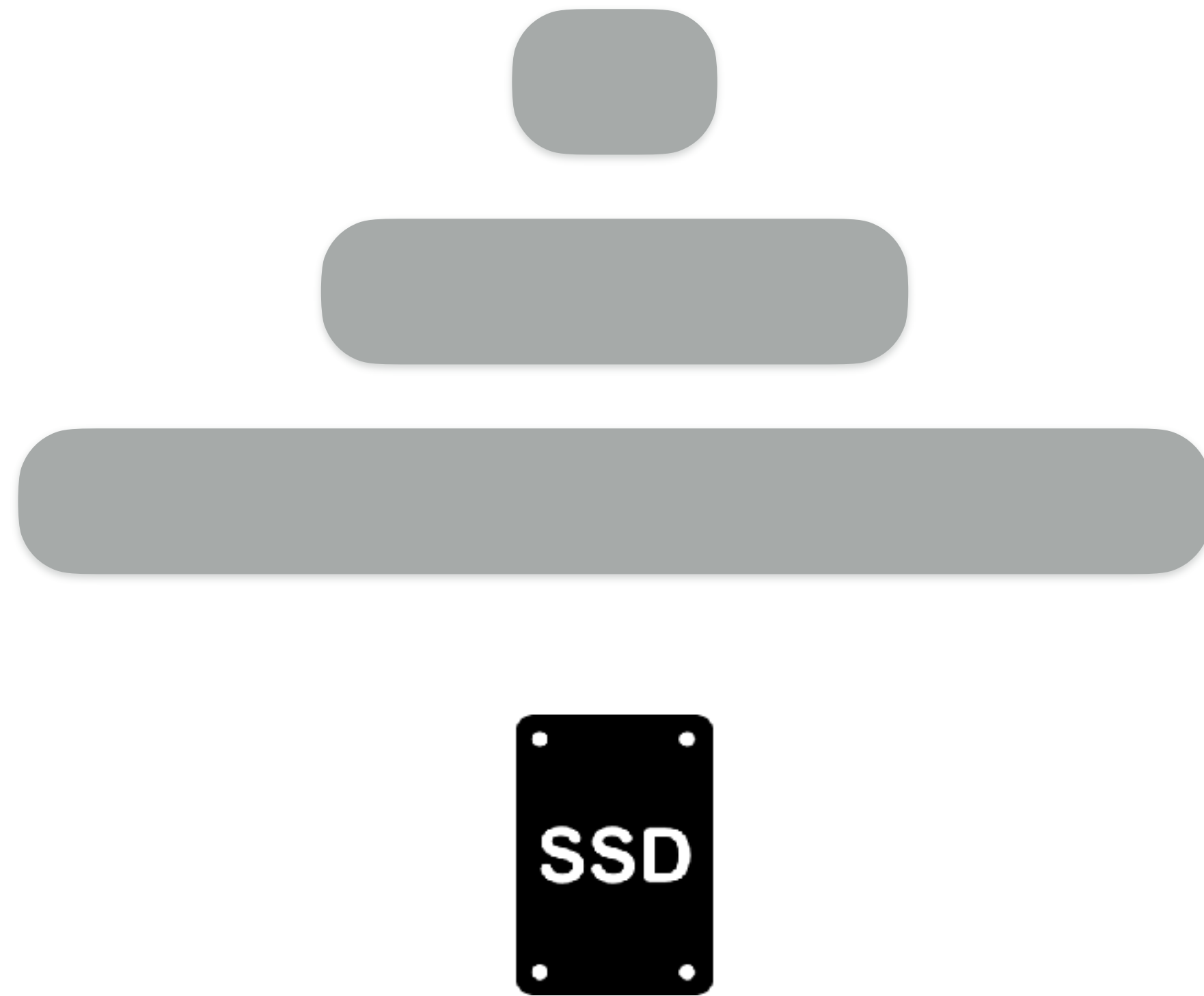
Part 2: **Read Optimizations in LSMs**



Part 3: Navigating the LSM Design Space



Filters to the Rescue

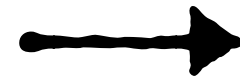


What is a filter

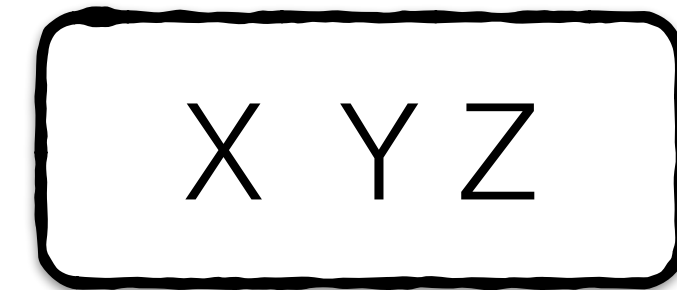


What is a filter

Does X exist?



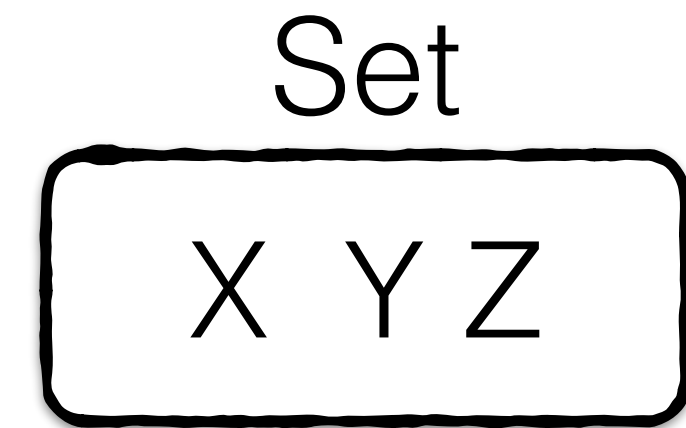
Set



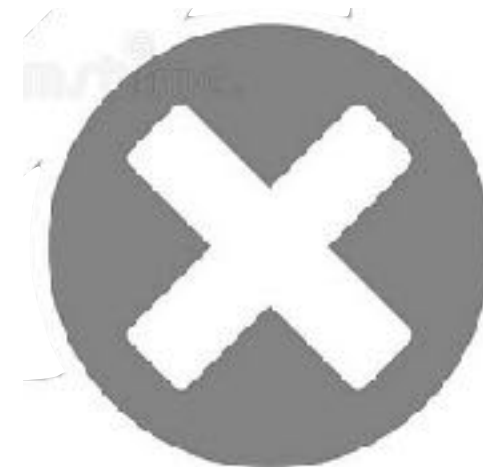
**Answers set
membership queries**

What is a filter

Does X exist?



**No false
negatives**

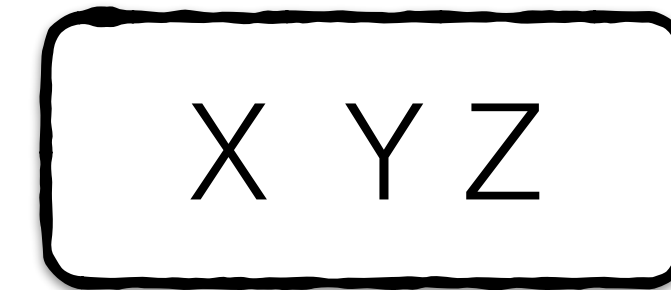


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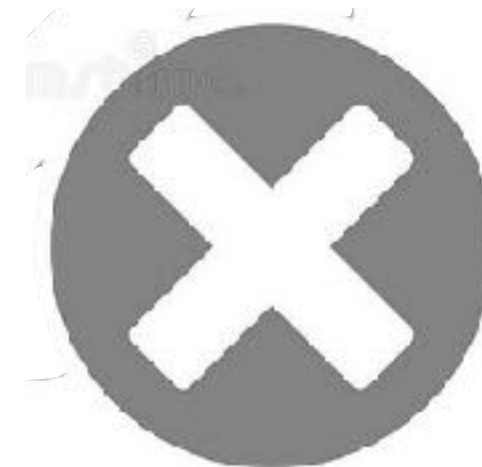
Does Q exist?



Set



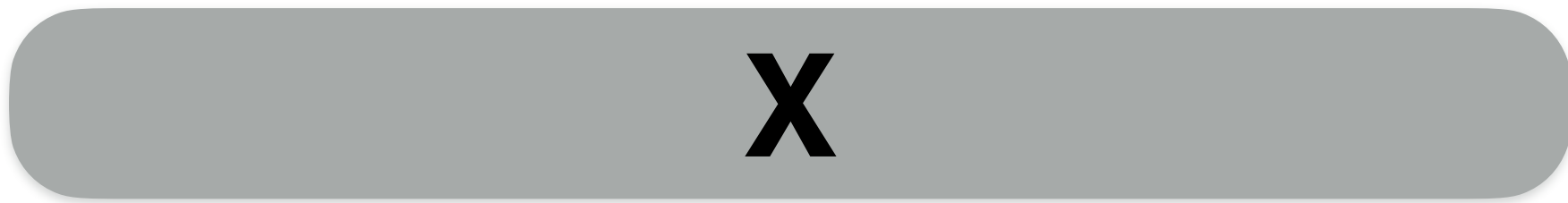
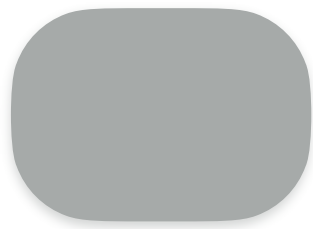
No false negatives



false positives with tunable probability



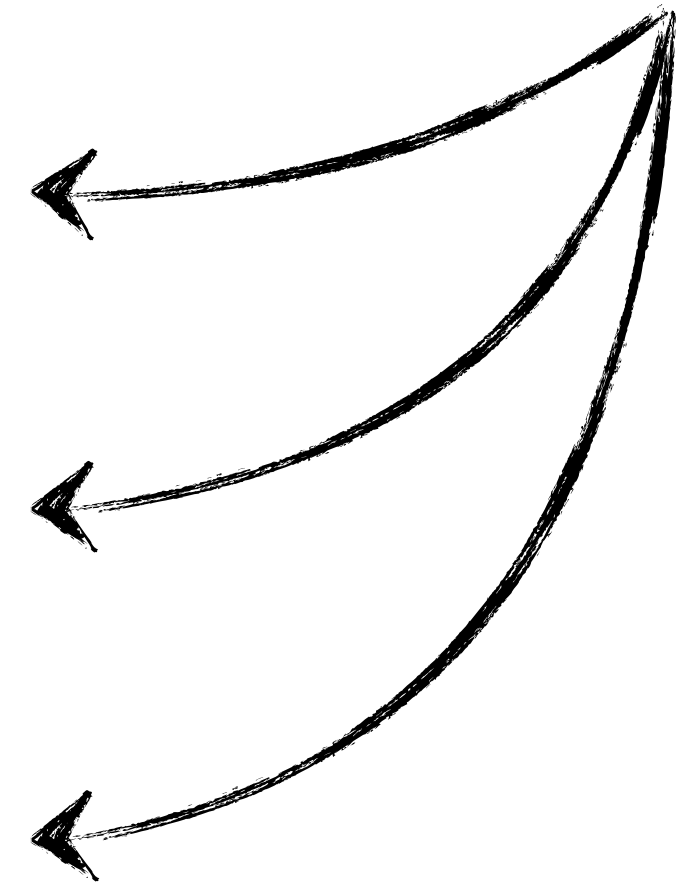
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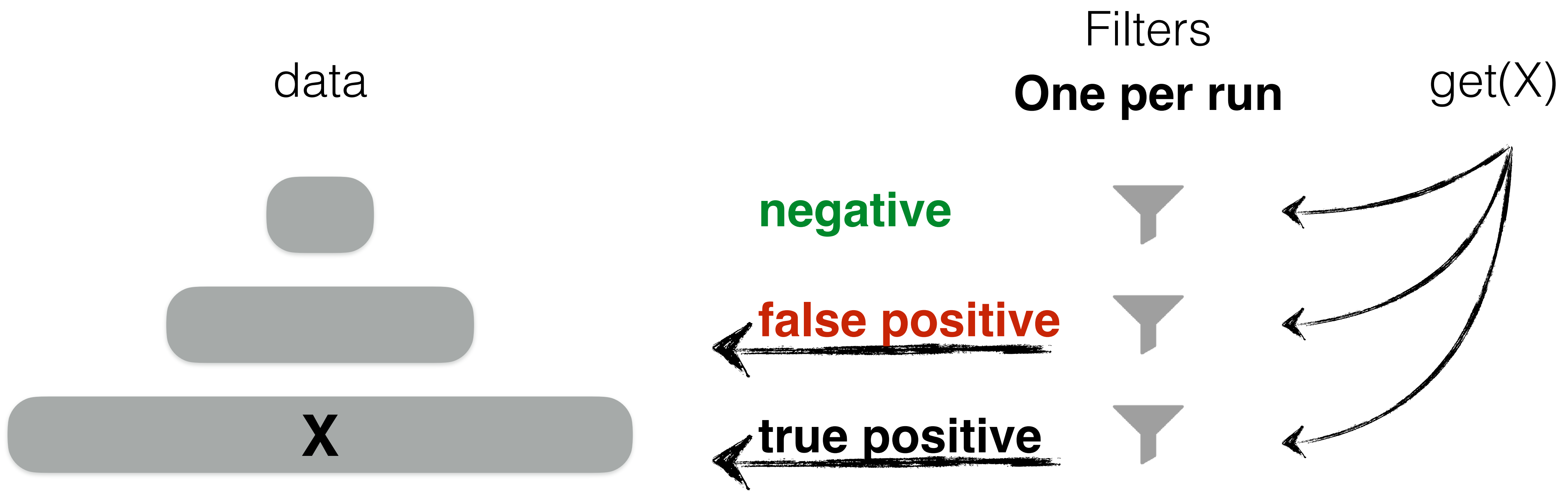


Filters

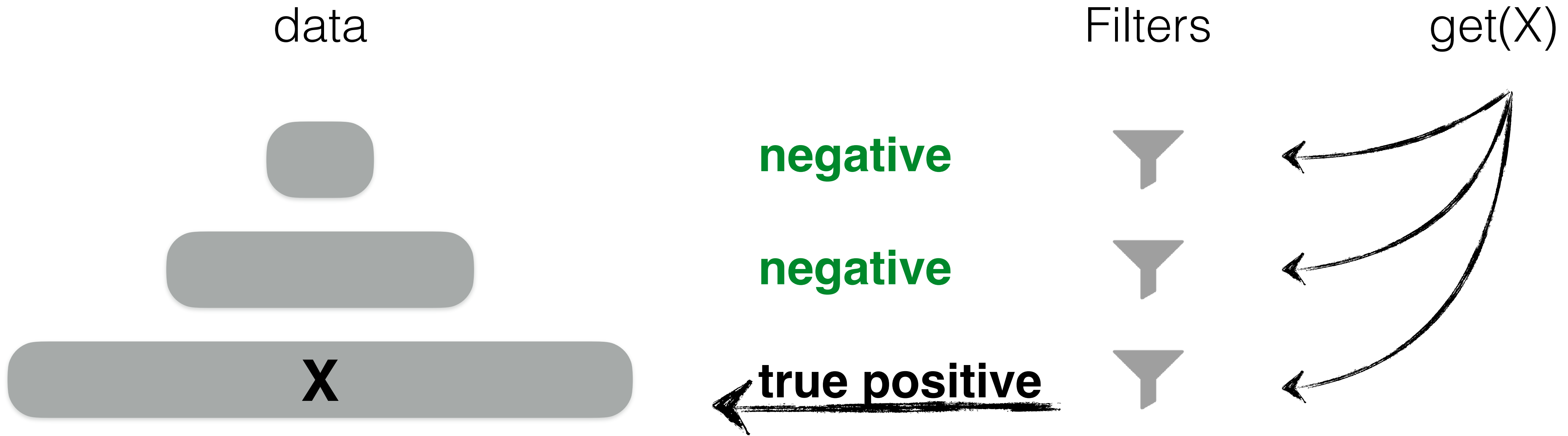
One per run

get(X)

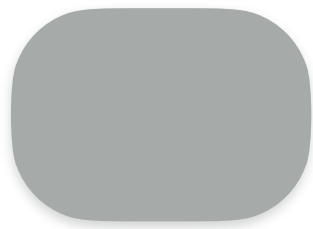




more memory → **fewer false positives**



data



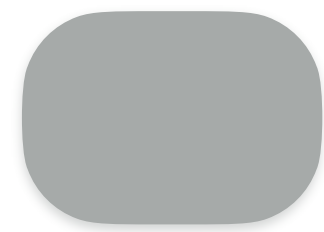
Compact & recreate filter



Filters



data



Bloom Filters



BloomCommunACM1970



***k* hash functions**

0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

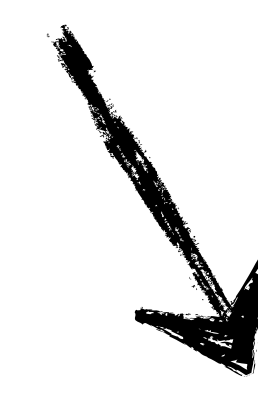
bitmap



insert: Set from 0 to 1 or keep 1

h_1

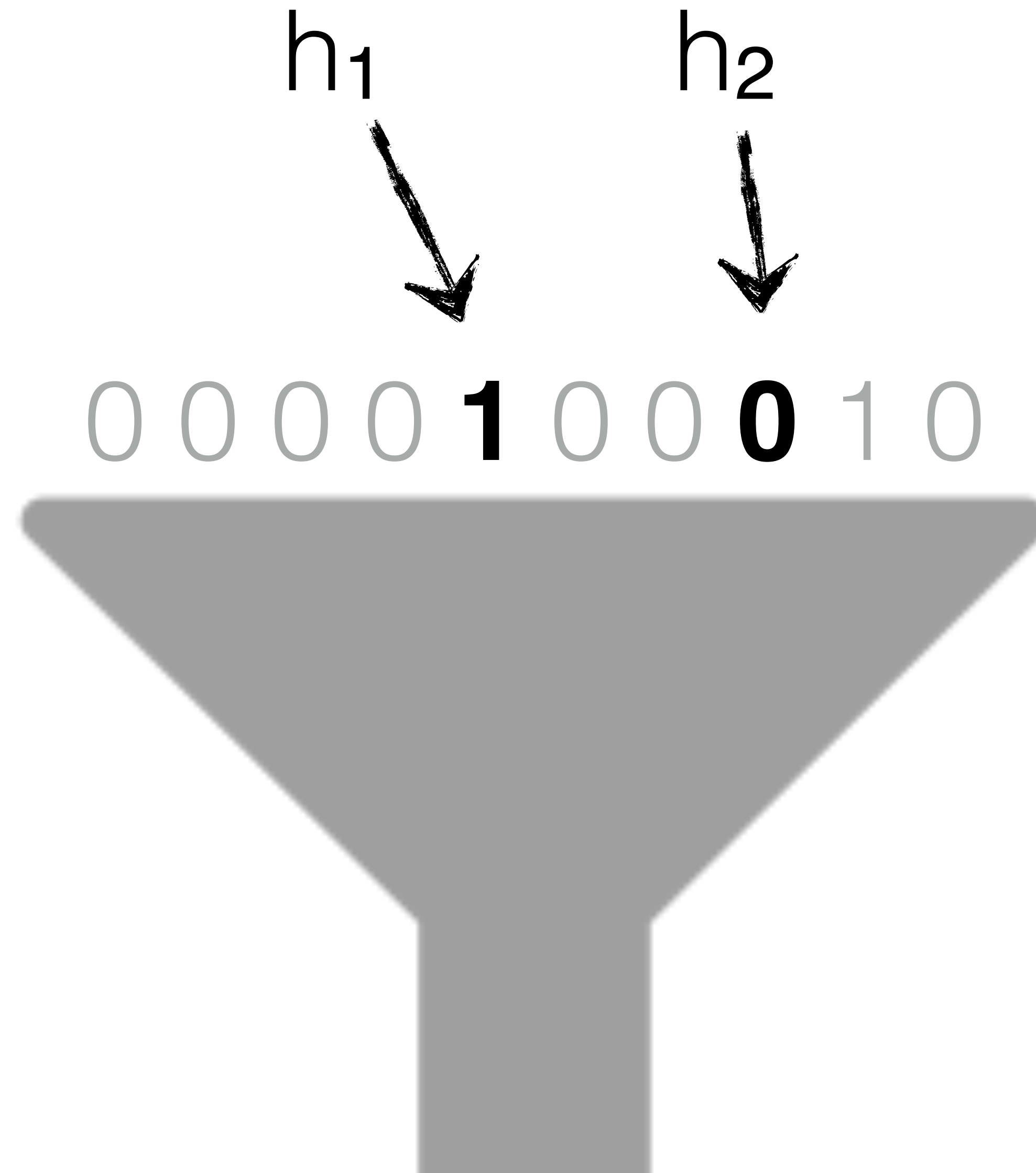
h_2



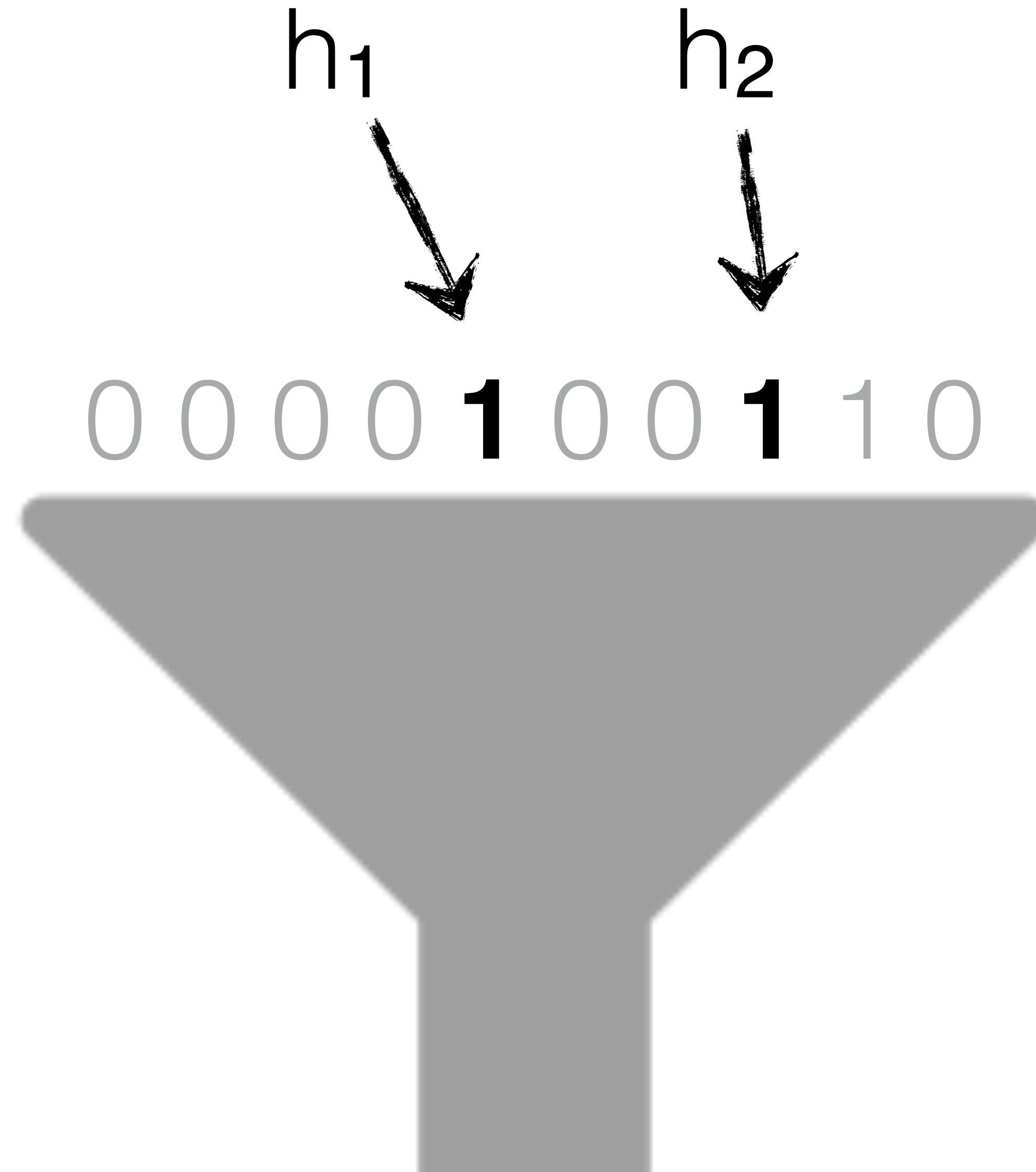
0 0 0 0 **1** 0 0 0 **1** 0



negative lookup: at least one bit is zero



true or false positive lookup

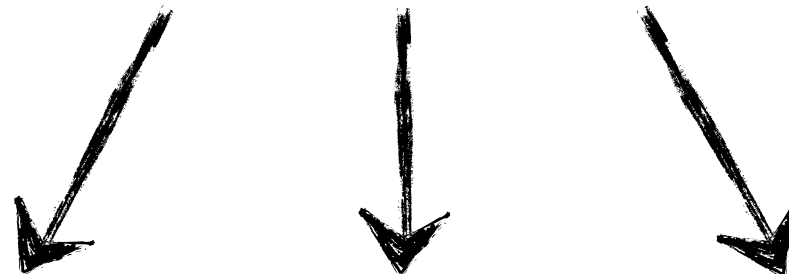


Optimal number of hash functions

$$= \ln(2) \cdot M \quad \leftarrow \text{bits / entry}$$



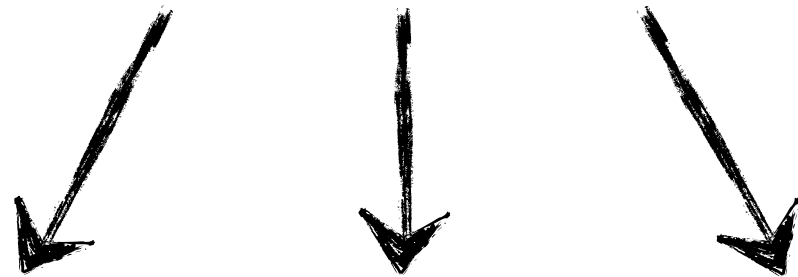
$h_1 \dots h_k$



Optimal number of hash functions

$$= \ln(2) \cdot \mathbf{M} \quad \leftarrow \quad \mathbf{bits / entry}$$

$h_1 \quad \dots \quad h_k$



With M bits / entry

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

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

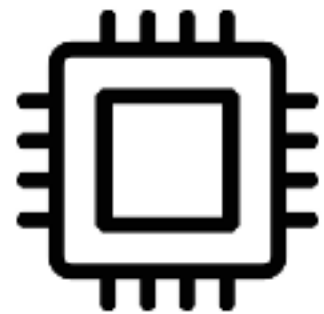


5 fronts

Holistic
Tuning



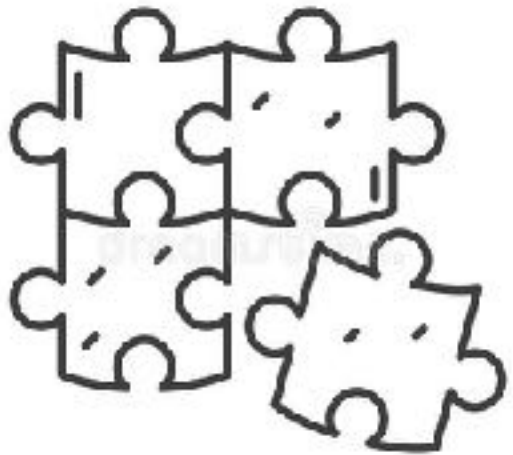
CPU



Lowering
Constants



Unification



Range



Holistic Tuning



Monkey

DayanSIGMOD17



Dostoevsky

DayanSIGMOD18



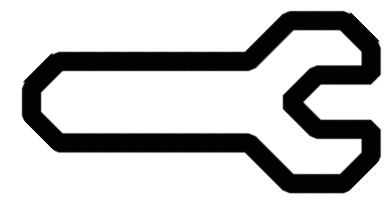
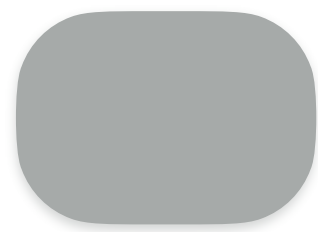
LSM-Bush

DayanSIGMOD19



Monkey: Optimal Navigable **Key**-Value Store

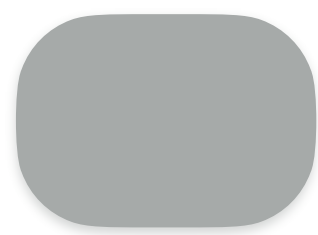
data



**Bloom
filters**



data



Bloom
filters



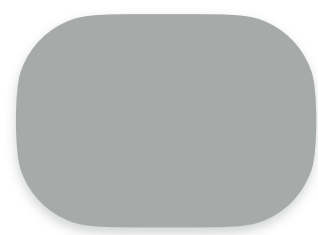
bits/entry

M

M

M

data



Bloom
filters



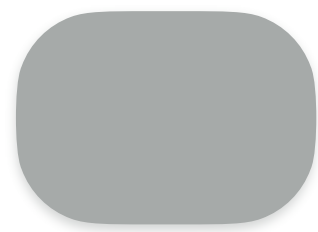
bits/entry

M

M

M

data



Bloom
filters



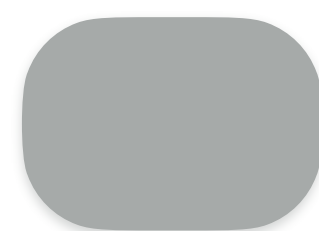
**false
positive rate**

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

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data



Bloom
filters



**false
positive rate**

2^{-M}

2^{-M}

2^{-M}

Bloom
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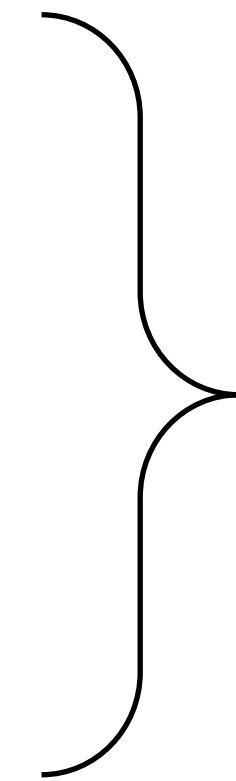


false
positive rate

$$2^{-M}$$

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=

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

Bloom
filters

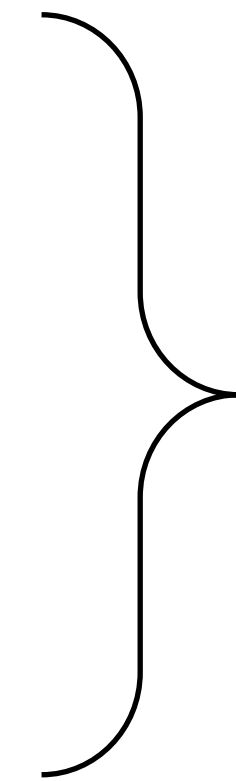


false
positive rate

$$2^{-M}$$

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=

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

Bloom
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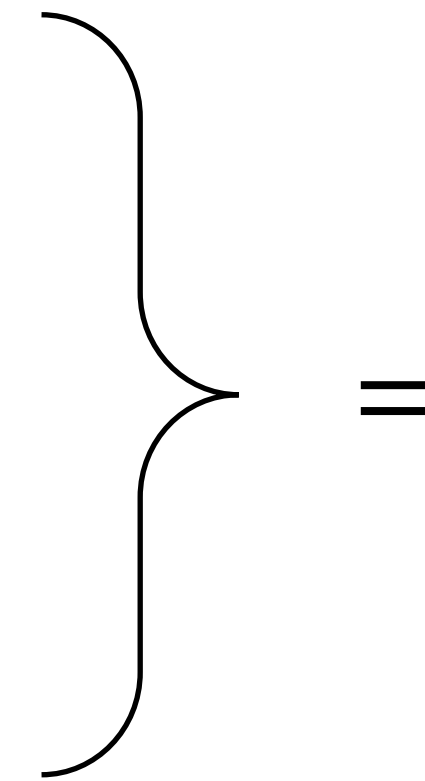


false
positive rate

$$2^{-M}$$

$$2^{-M}$$

$$2^{-M}$$



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



Bloom
filters



**most
memory**

false
positive rate

$$2^{-M}$$

$$2^{-M}$$

$$2^{-M}$$

Bloom
filters



**most
memory**



saves at most 1 access!

false
positive rate

$$2^{-M}$$

$$2^{-M}$$

$$2^{-M}$$

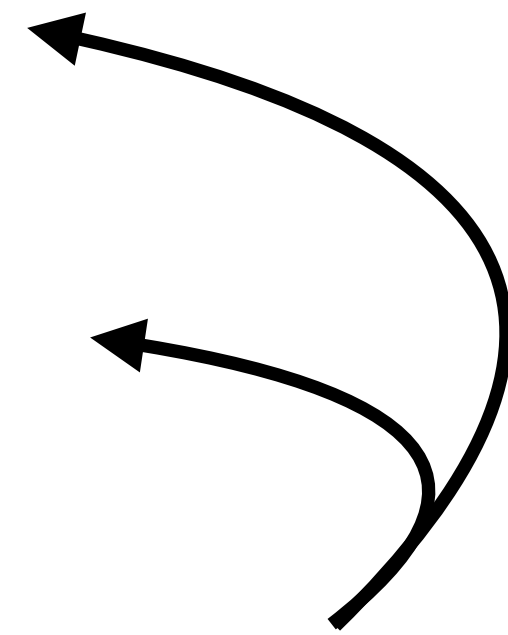
bits / entry



$M + 2$

$M + 1$

$M - 1$



reallocate



false
positive rates

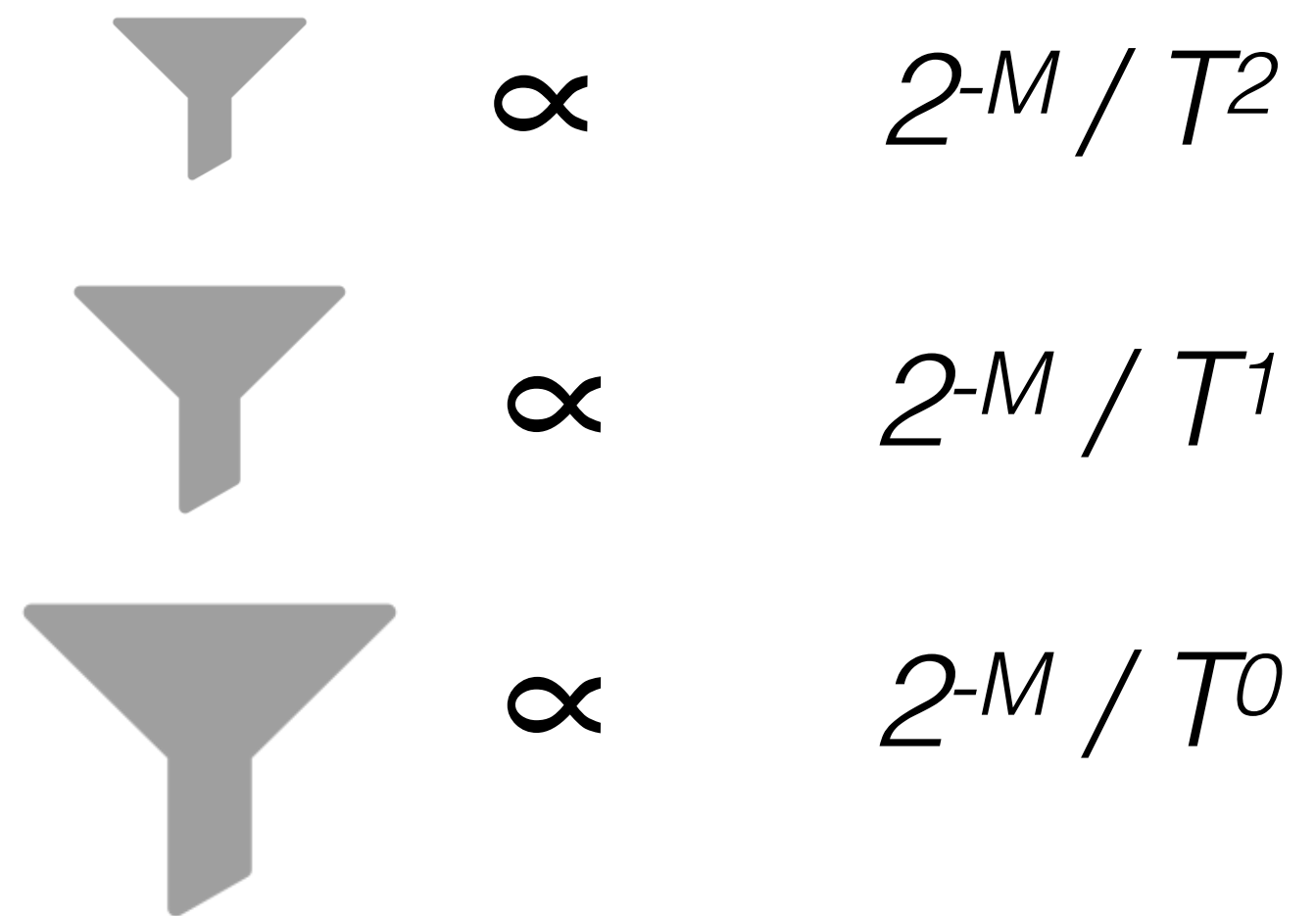


$$2^{-(M+2)} \quad \downarrow$$

$$2^{-(M+1)} \quad \downarrow$$

$$2^{-(M-1)} \quad \uparrow$$



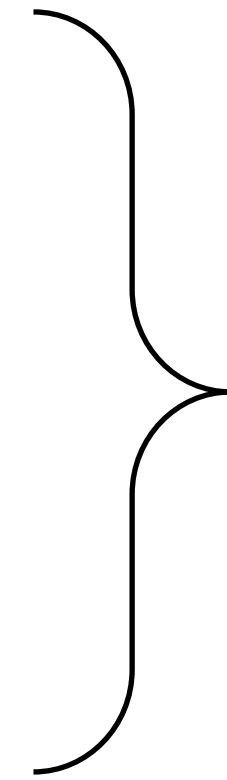




$$2^{-M} / T^2$$

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

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



=

**geometric
progression**

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



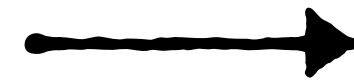
Faster worst case

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

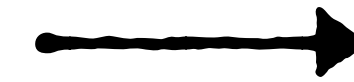
Monkey opens up new ways of optimizing write performance without sacrificing get performance



Monkey



Dostoevsky



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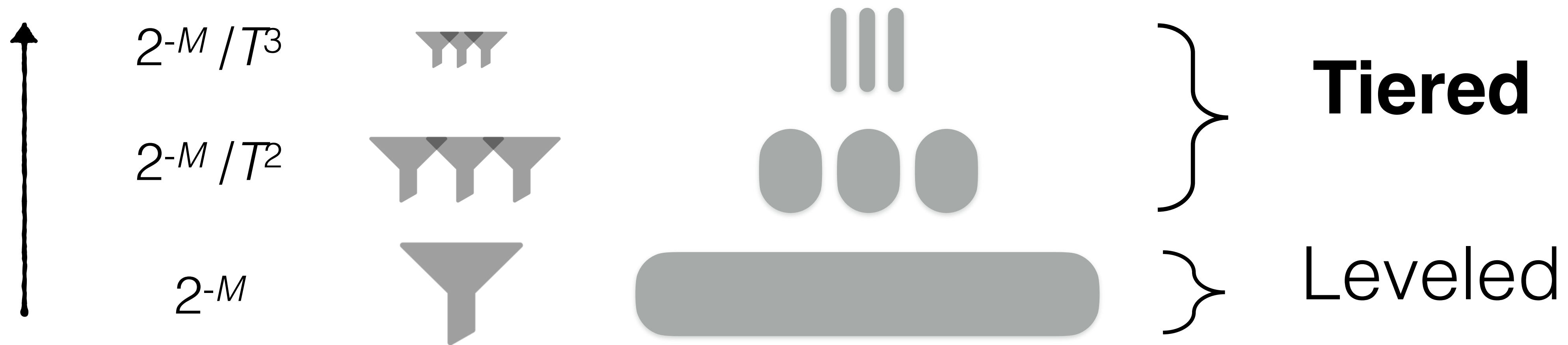


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Dostoevsky

Smaller false positive rates



gets

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

writes

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

=

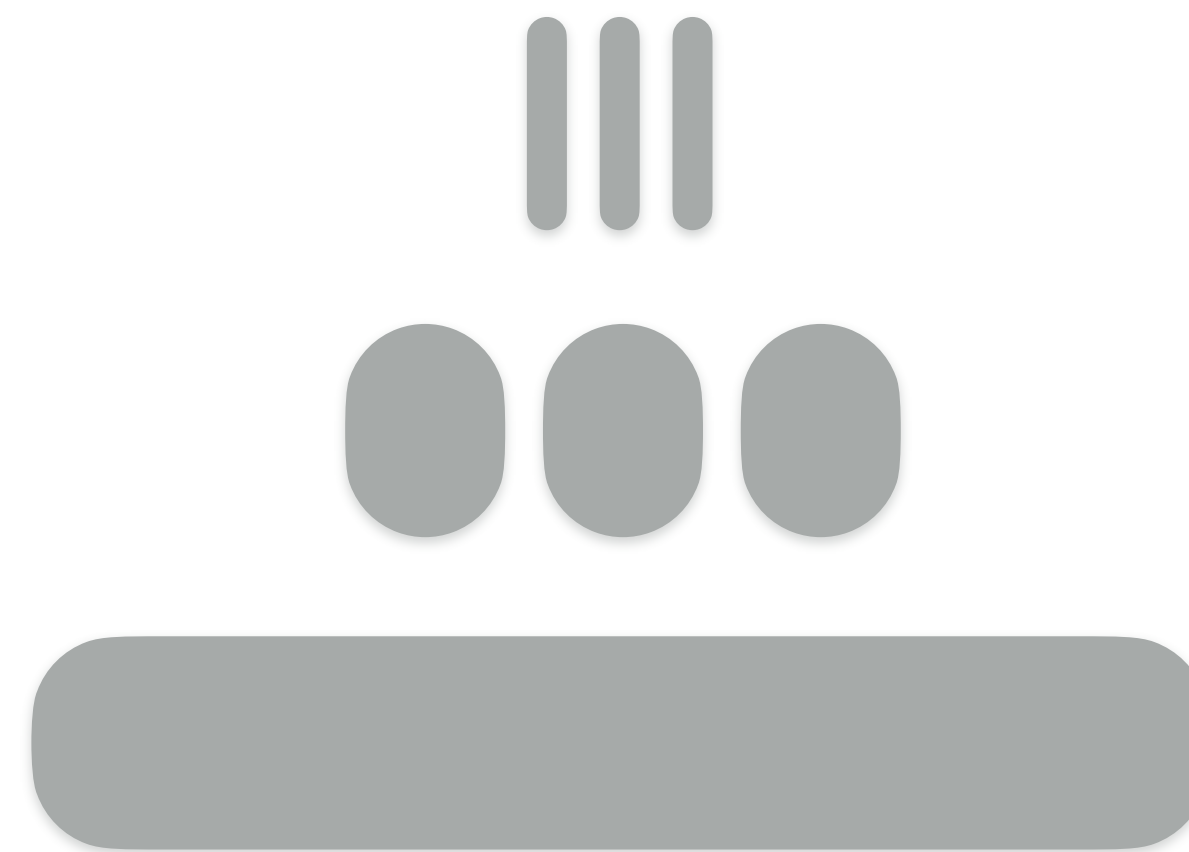
$$O(1)$$

+

$$O(1)$$

+

$$O(T)$$



gets

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

writes

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

leveling

=

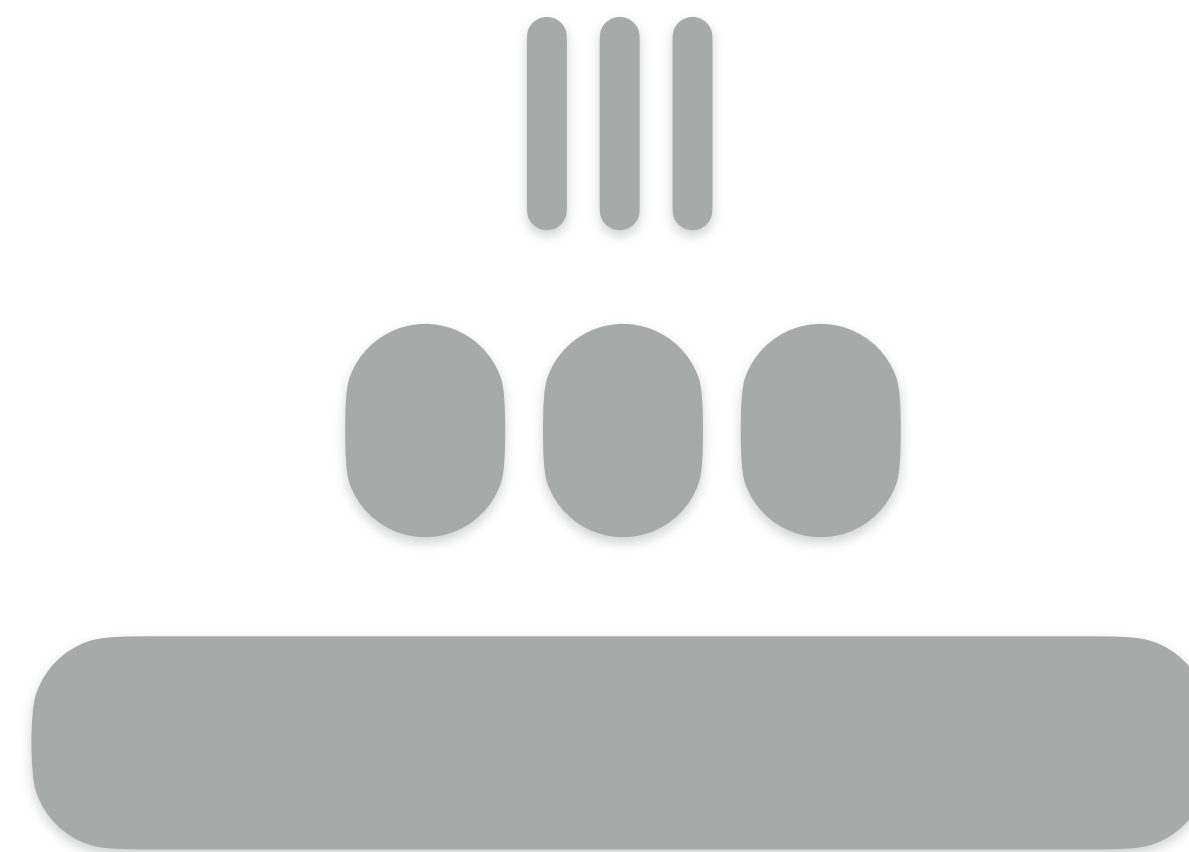
$$O(1)$$

+

$$O(1)$$

+

$$O(T)$$



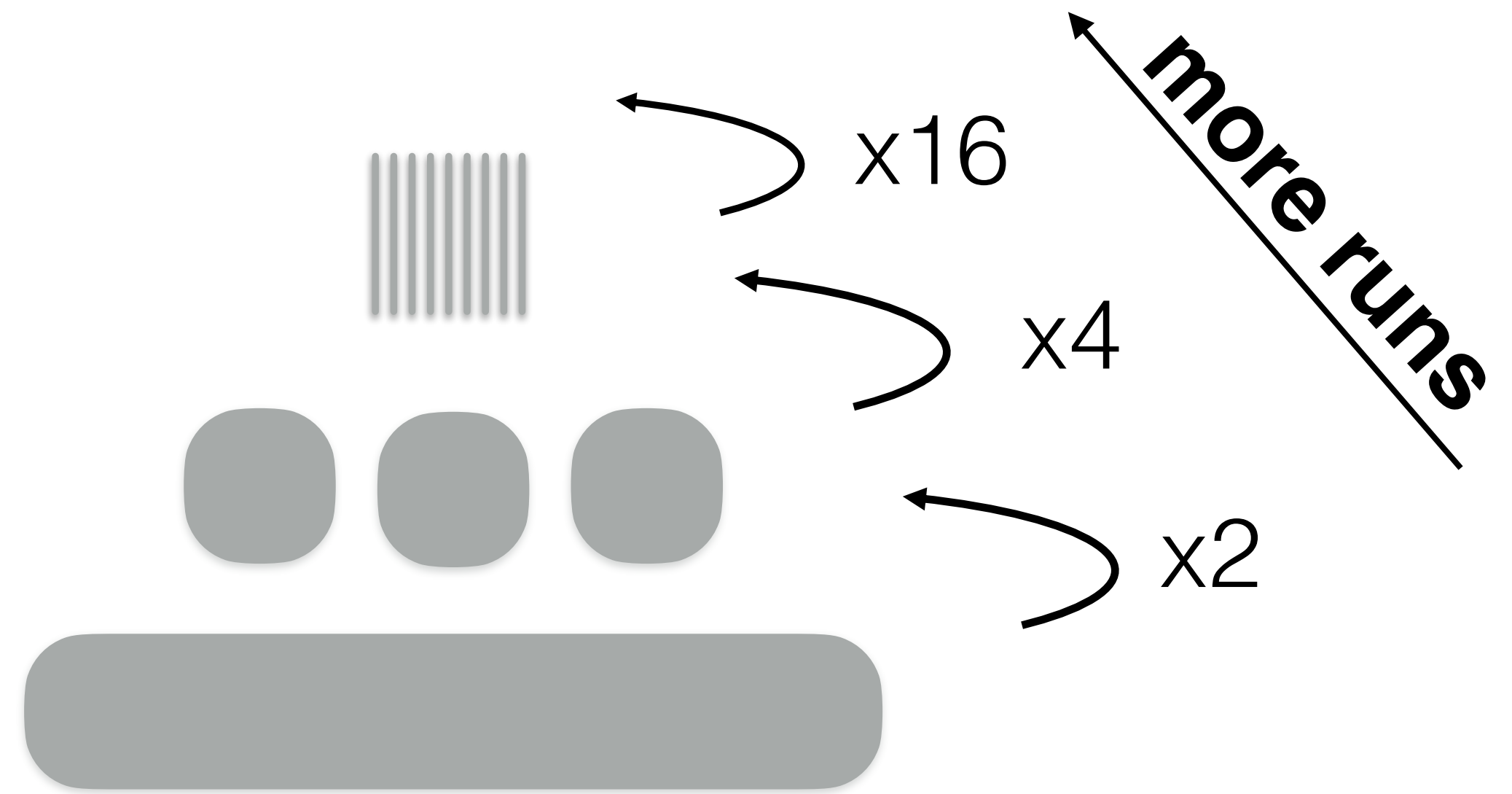
Dostoevsky

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



LSM-Bush

$$O(\log_2 \log_T N)$$





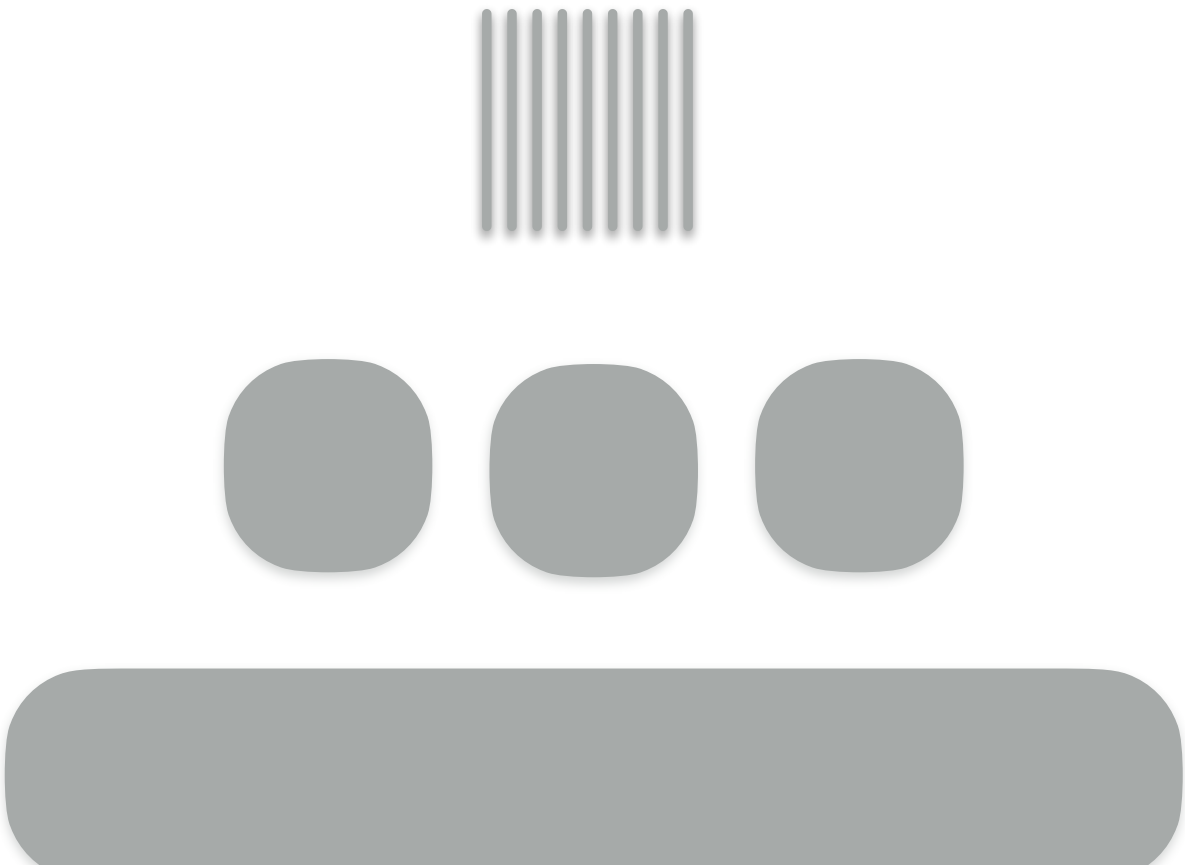
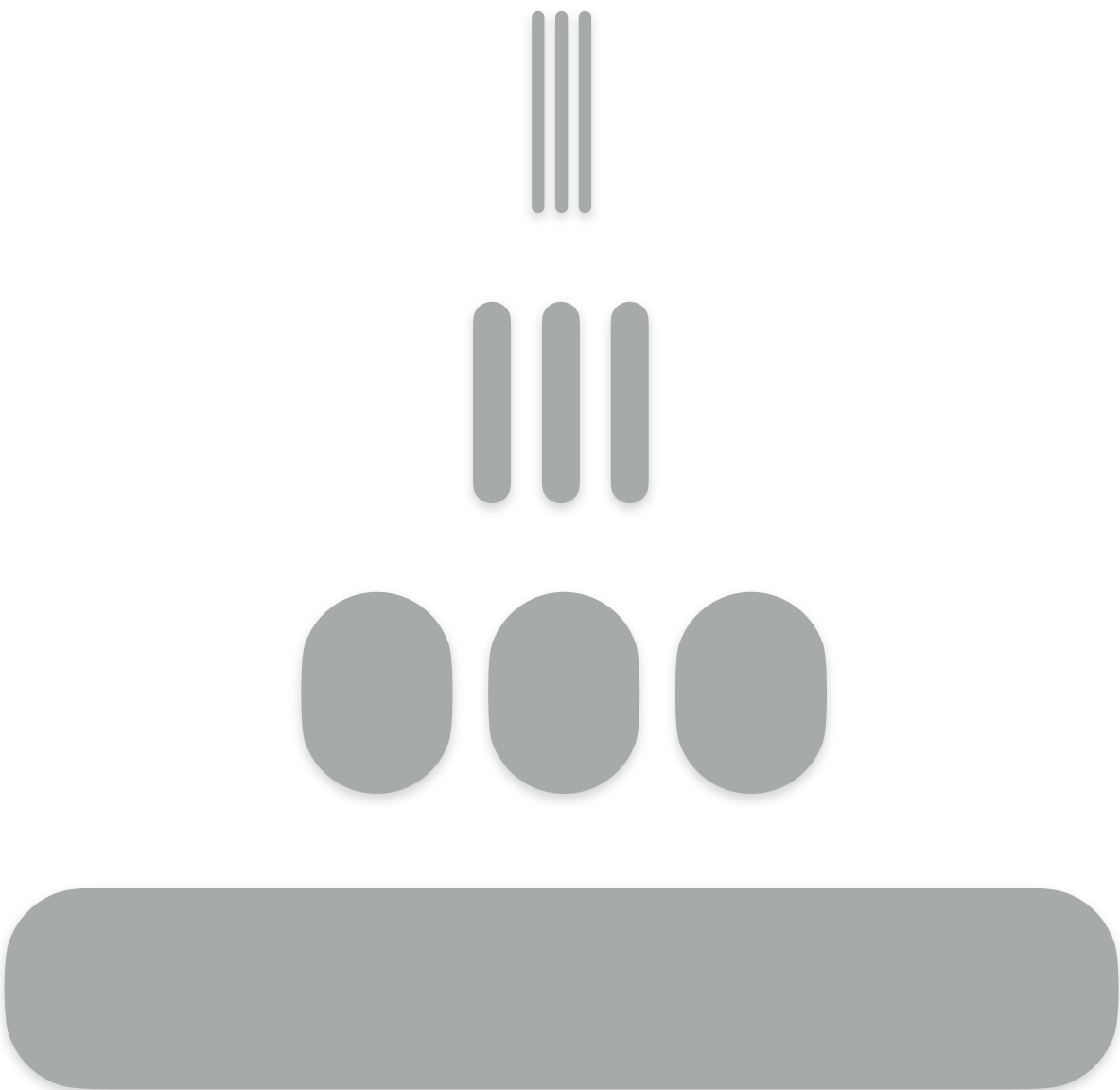
Monkey w. leveling



Dostoevsky



LSM-Bush



Cheaper range

Cheaper writes



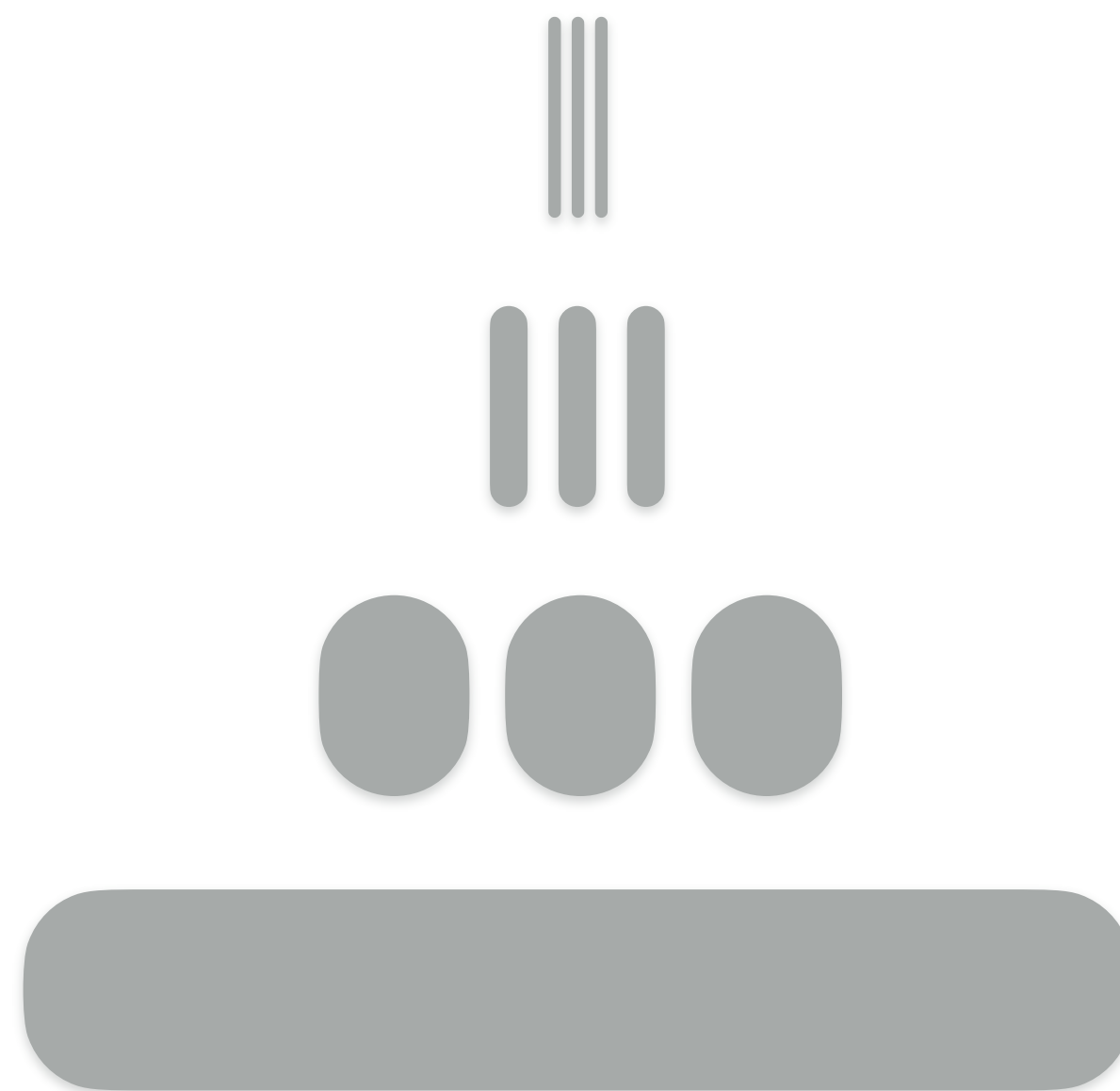
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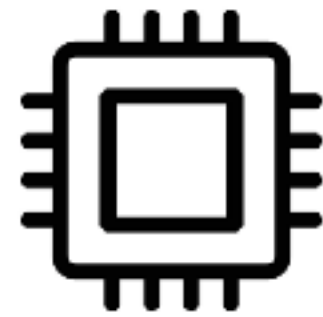
Great point reads all across

5 fronts

Holistic
Tuning



CPU



Lowering
Constants



Unification



Range

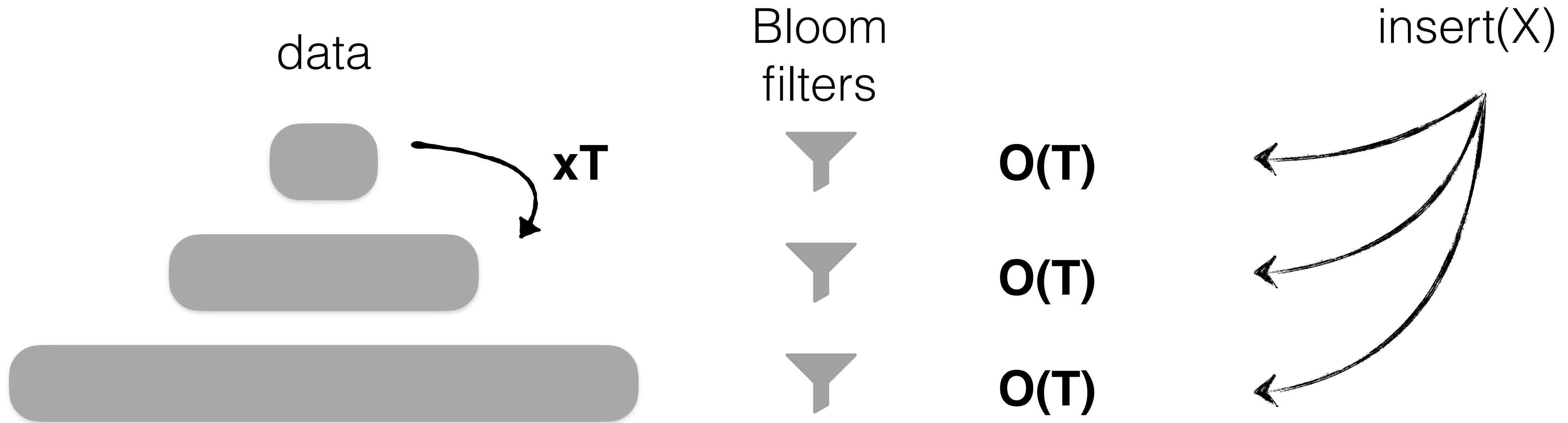


Bloom
filters



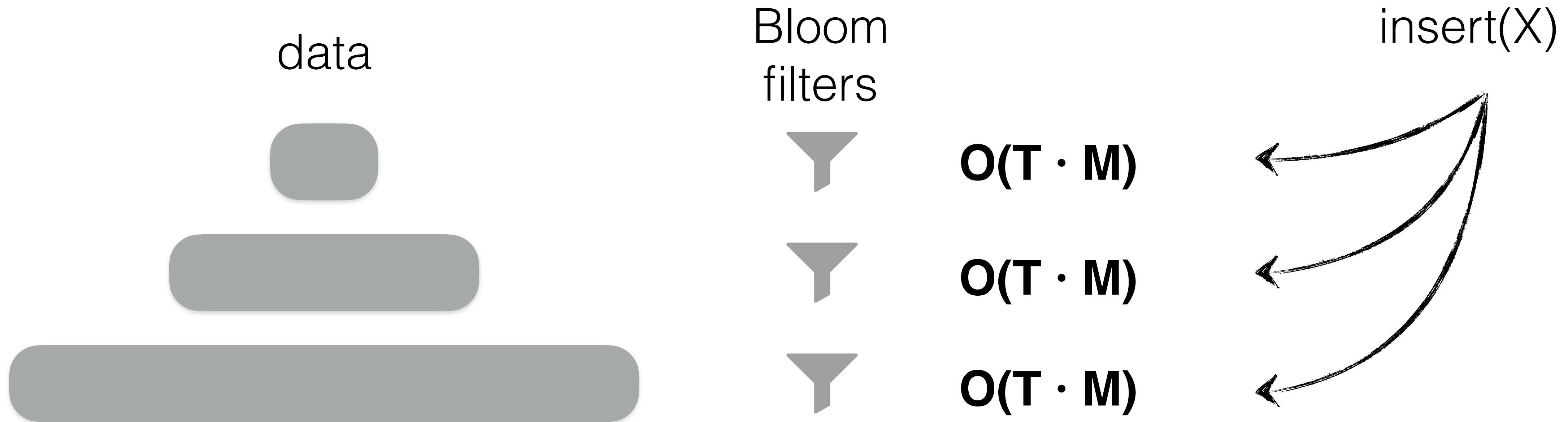
CPU overhead?

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



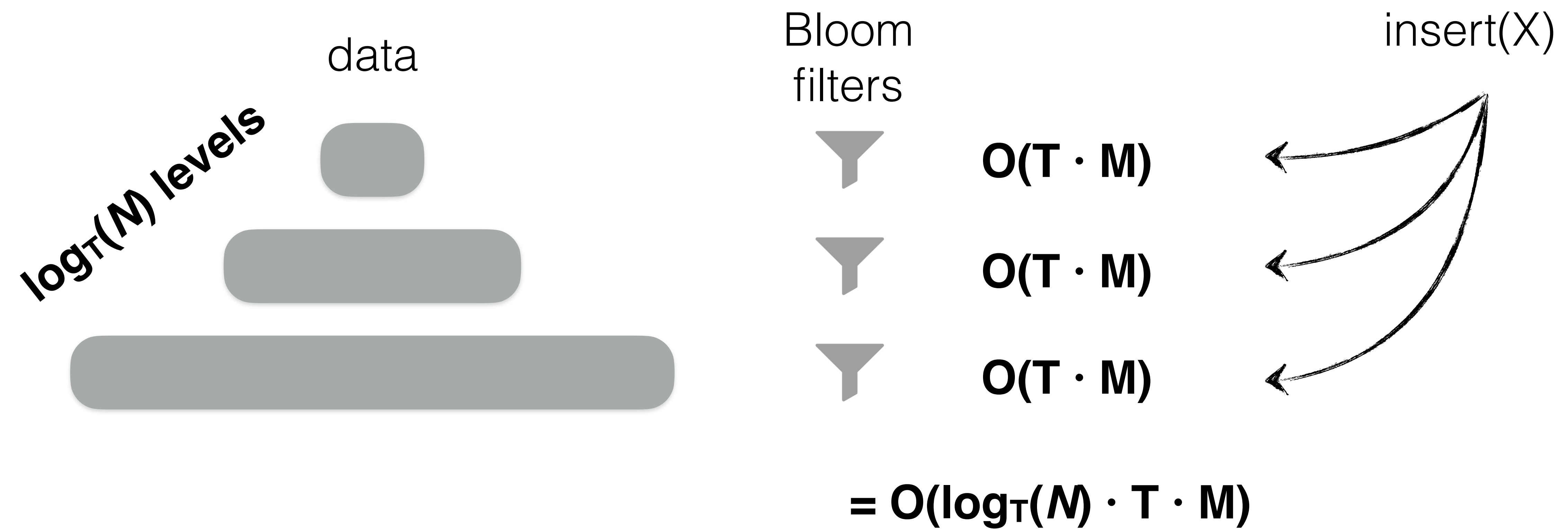
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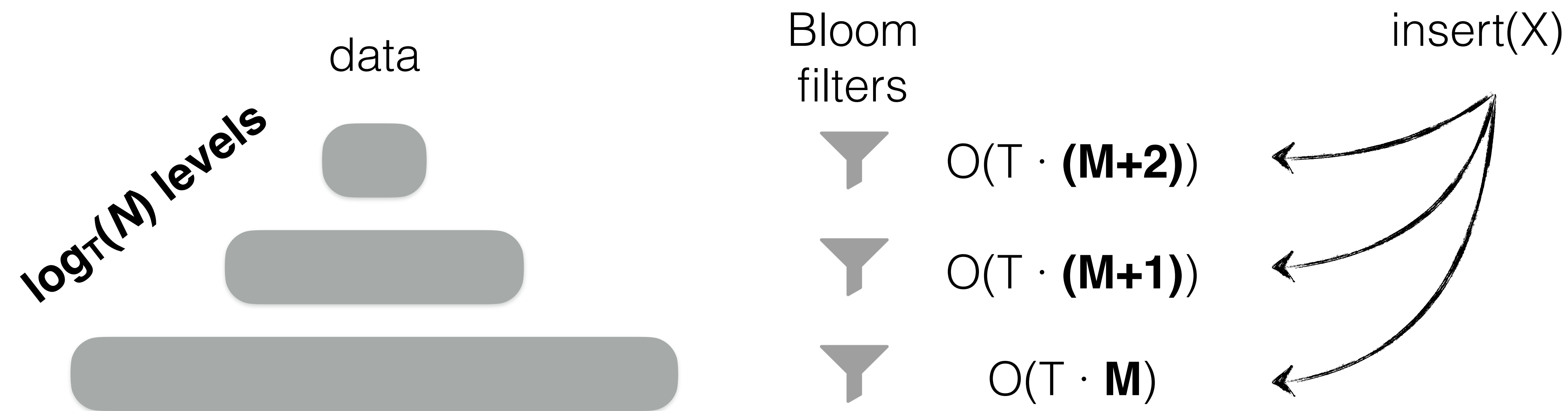


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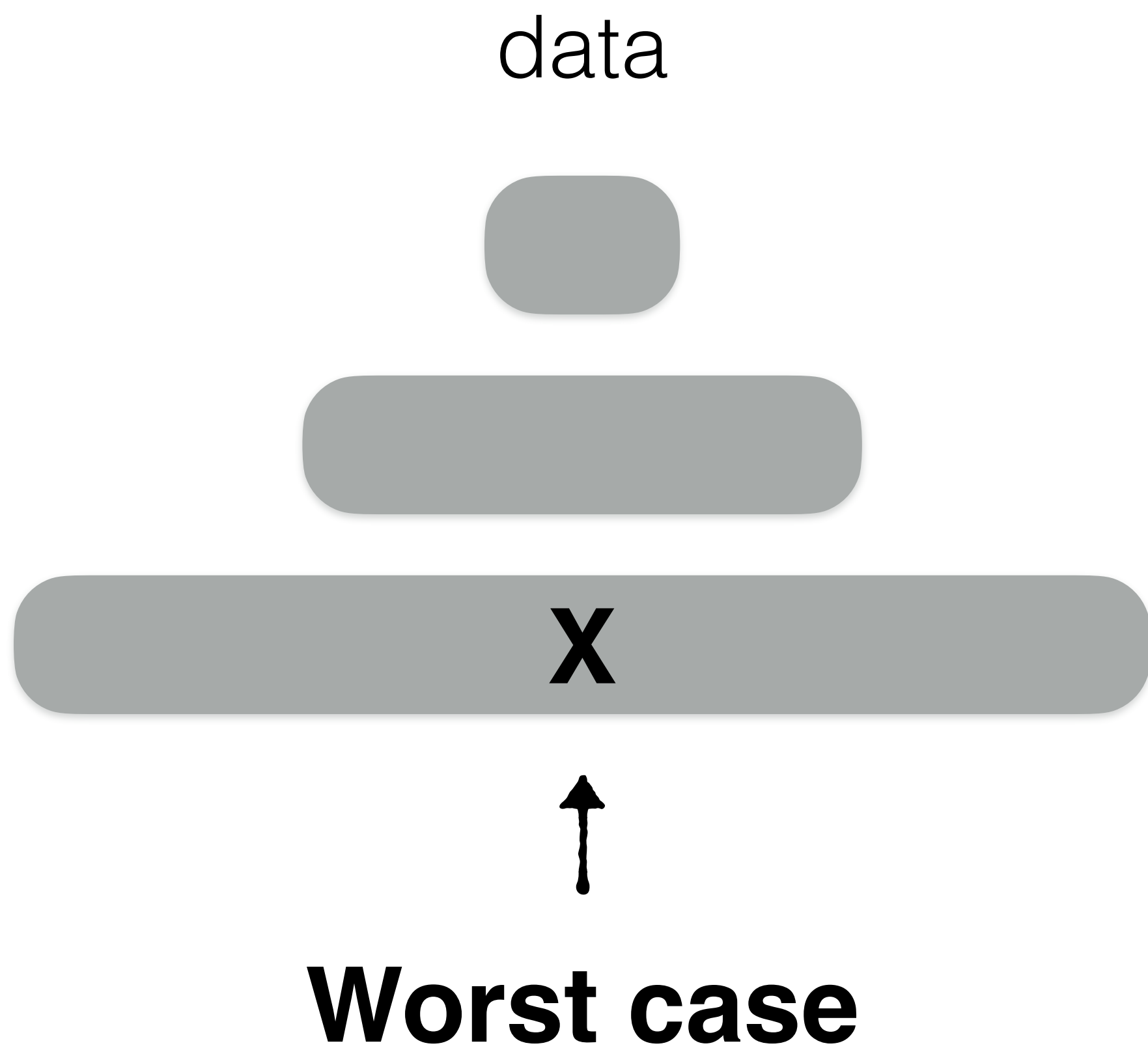


With Monkey more hash functions are used



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

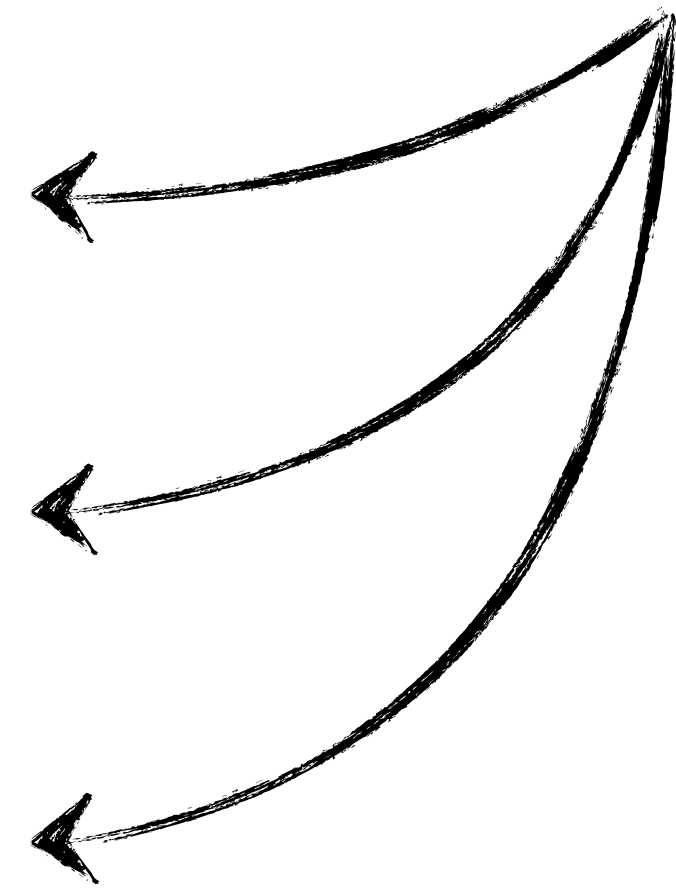
How about get cost?



Bloom
filters



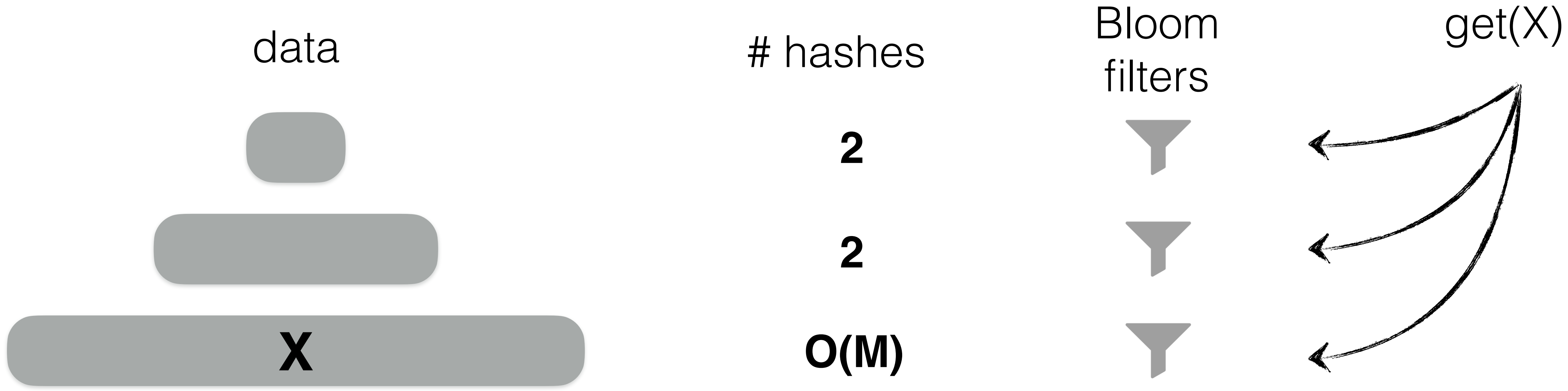
get(X)

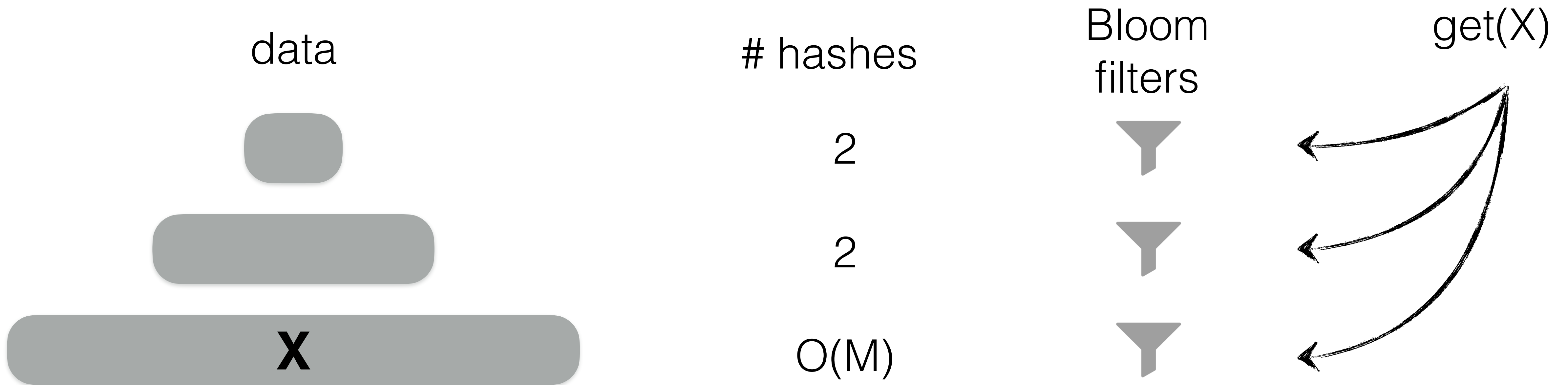


Expected Negative Query Cost ≈ 2



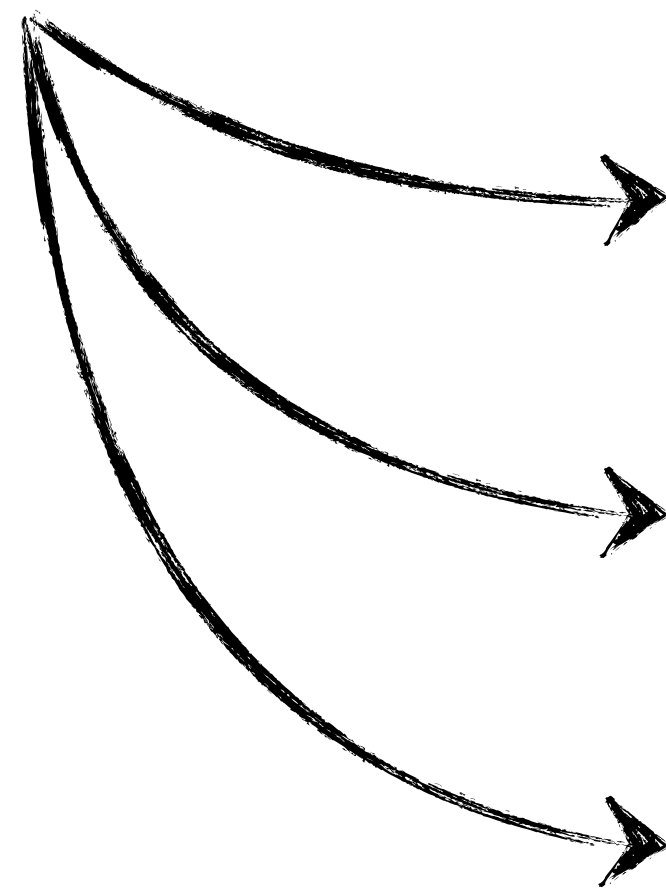
Positive Query Cost $\approx M \cdot \ln(2)$





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

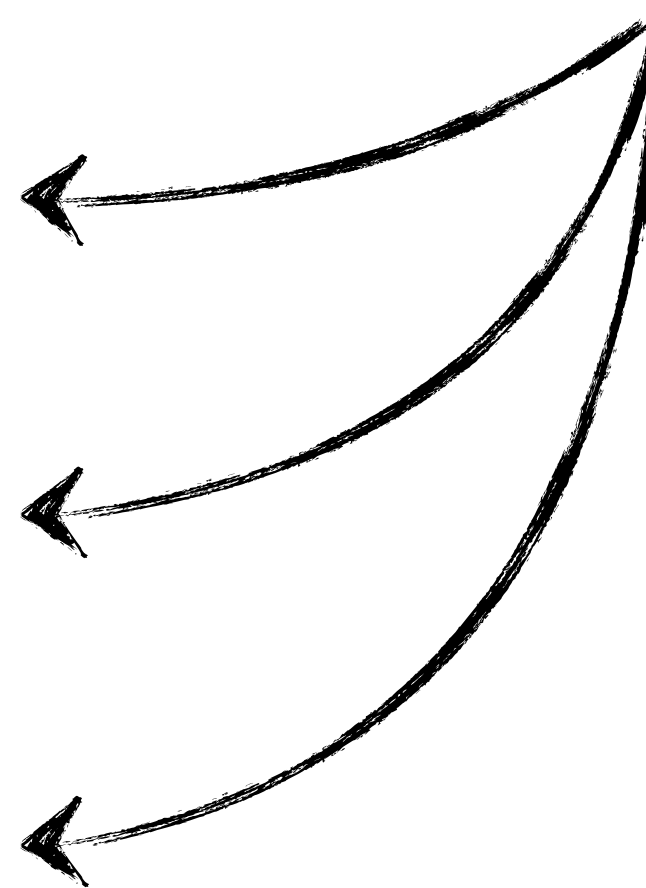
get
 $O(M + \log_{\tau} N)$



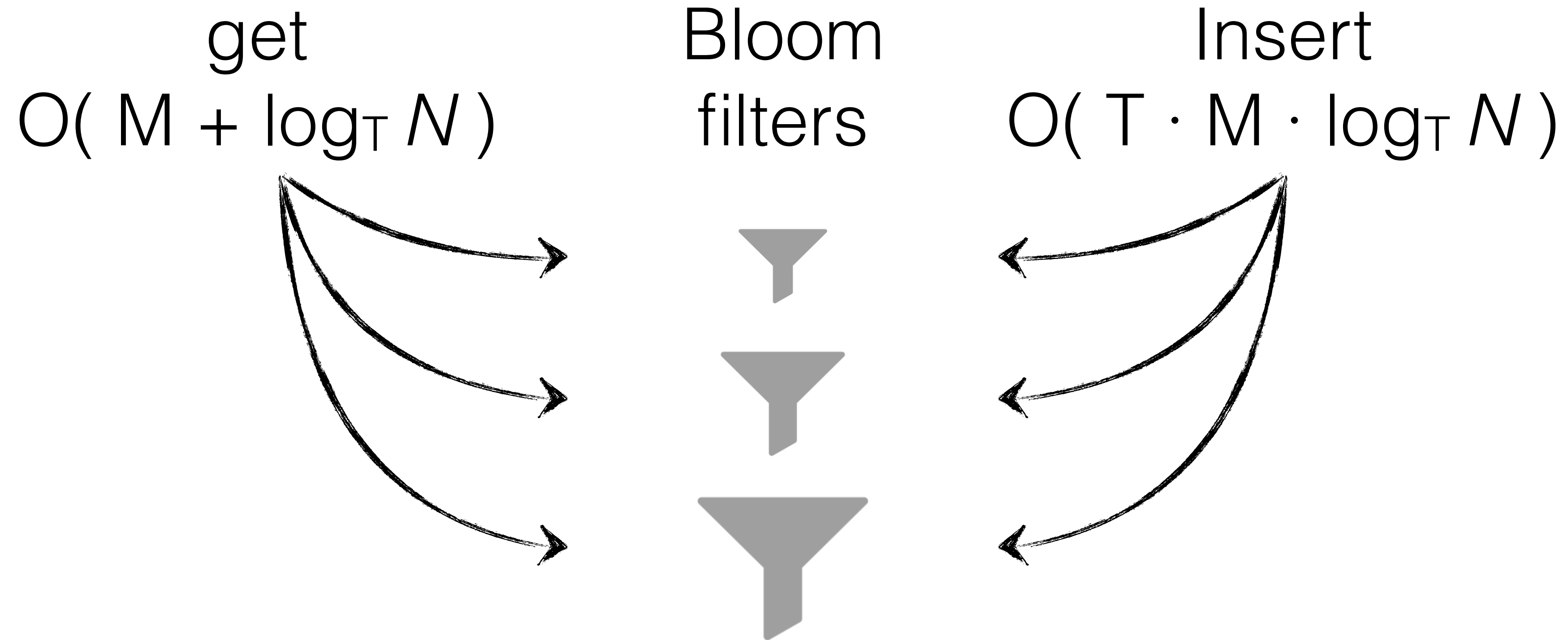
Bloom
filters



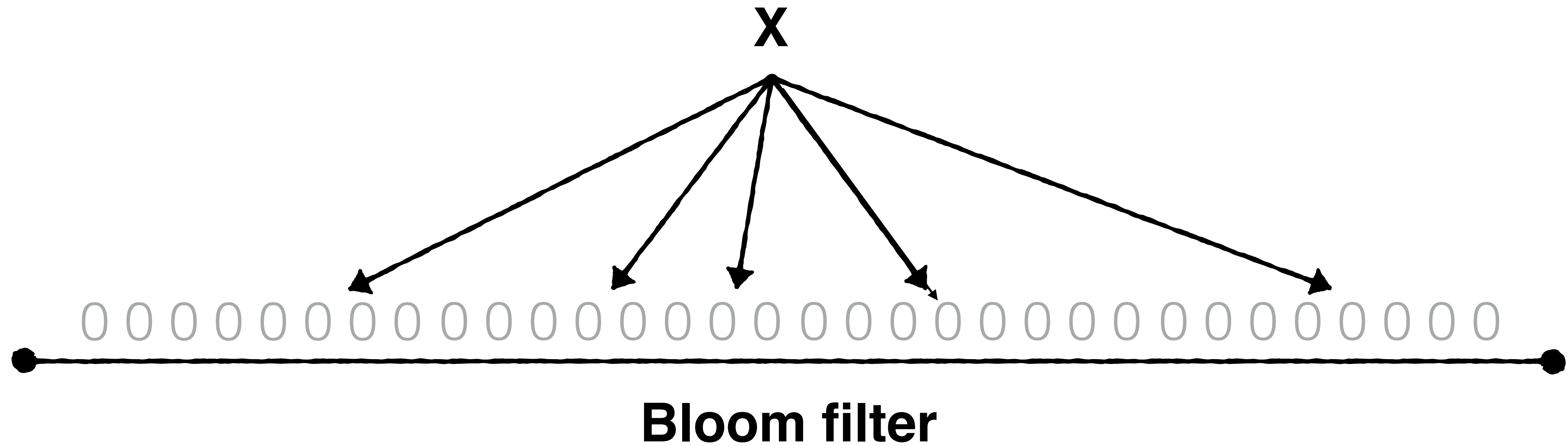
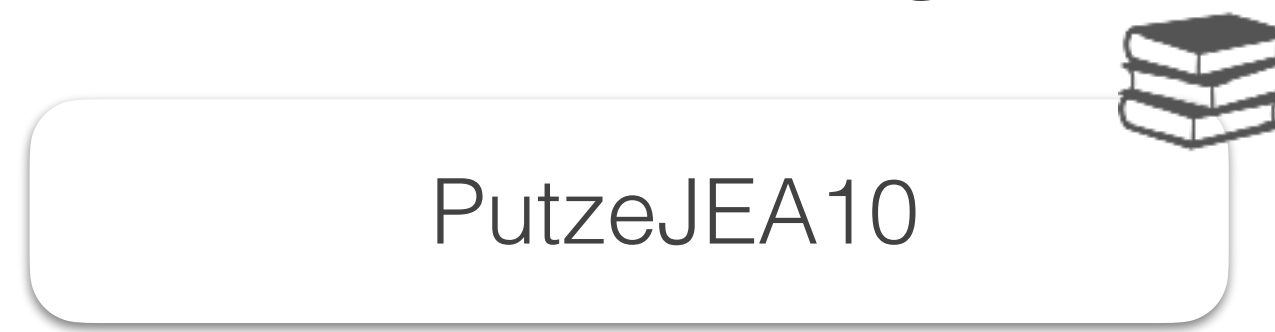
Insert
 $O(T \cdot M \cdot \log_{\tau} N)$



Address Using Blocking and SIMD

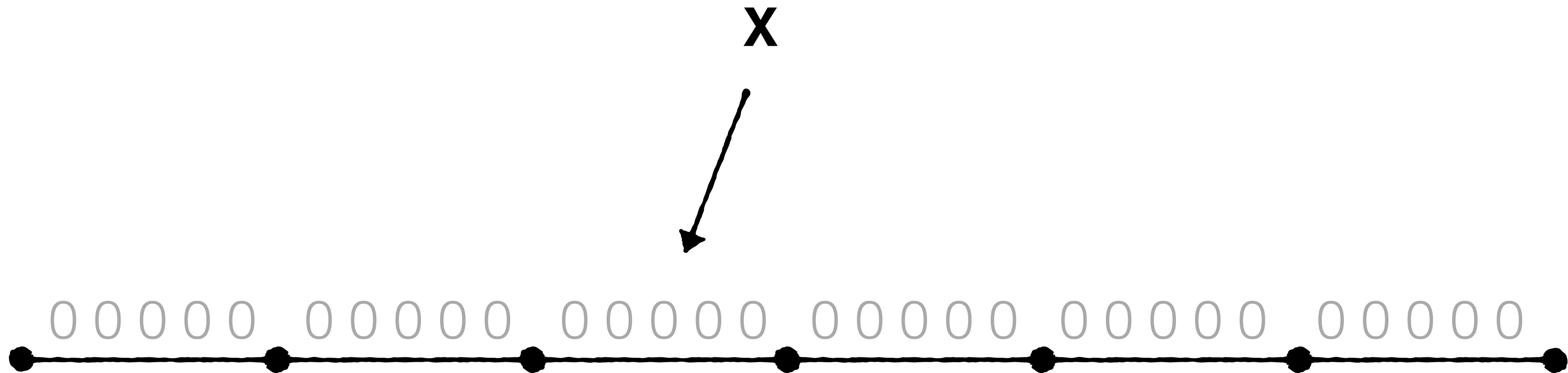


Blocking

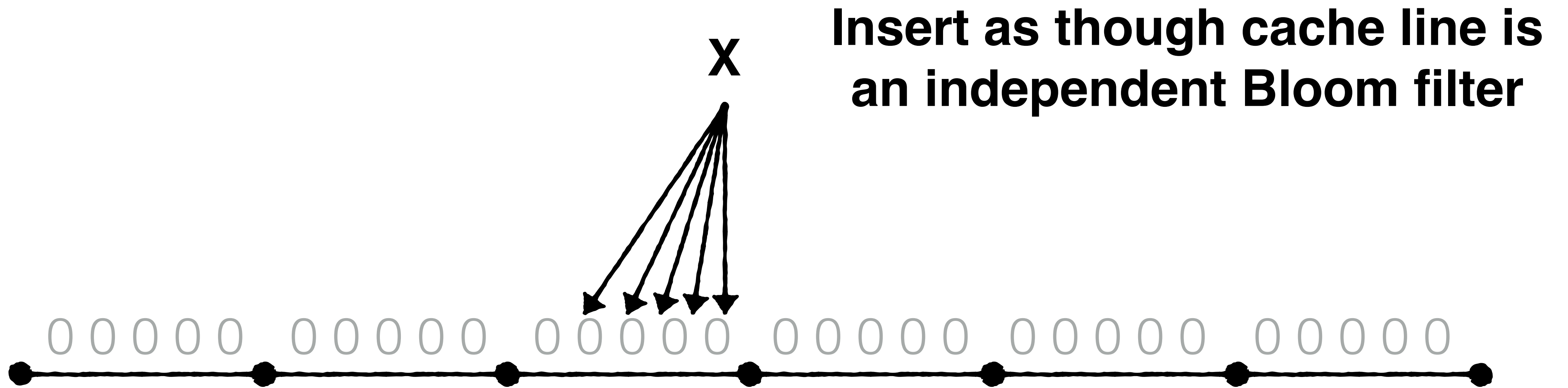


Blocking

Hash to one cache line

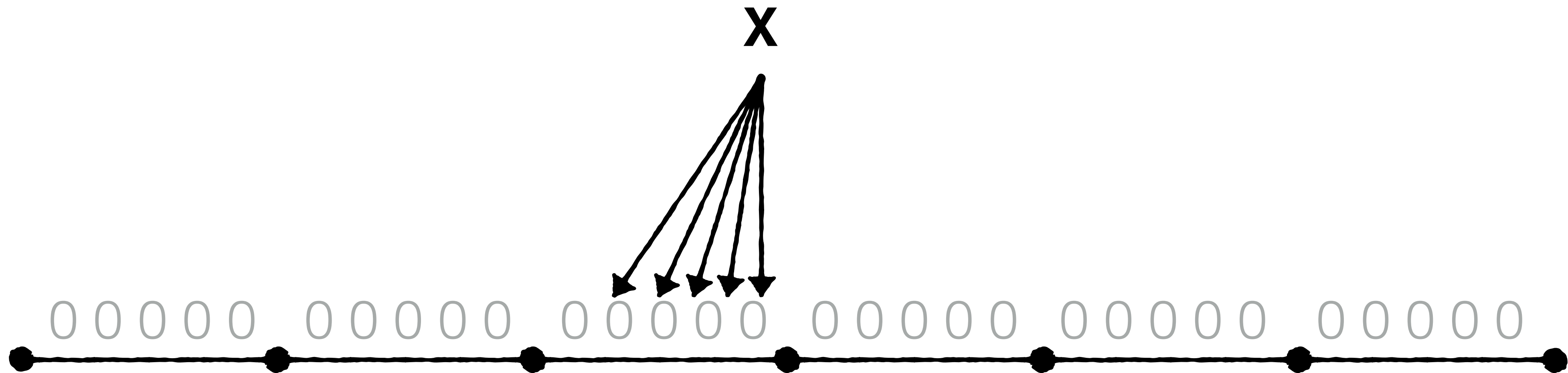


Blocking



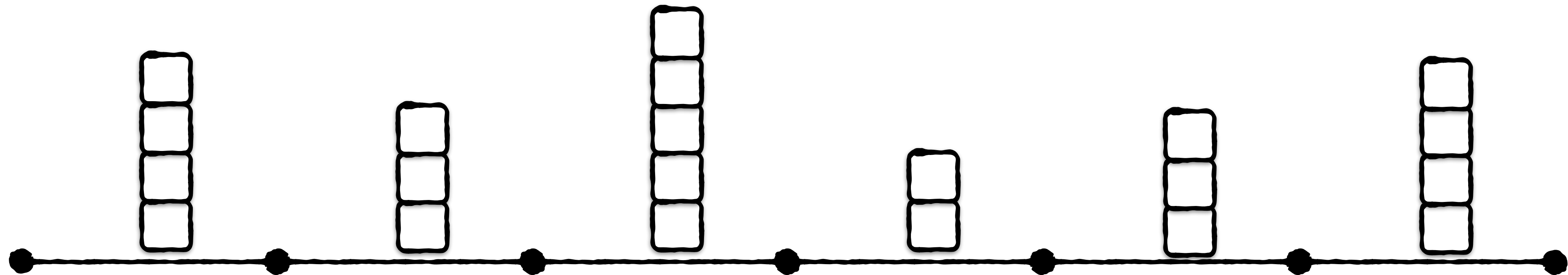
Blocking

Pro: one cache miss per insert/get



Blocking

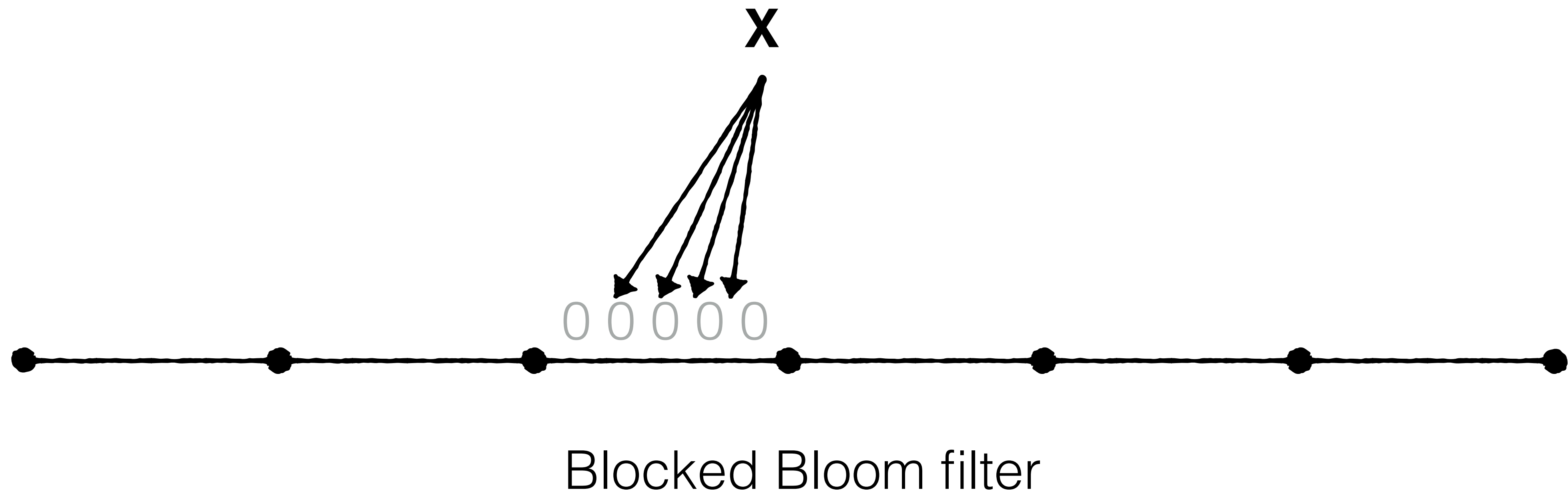
**Con 1: uneven distribution of entries across cache lines
slightly harms the false positive rate**



Blocked Bloom filter

Blocking

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



SIMD

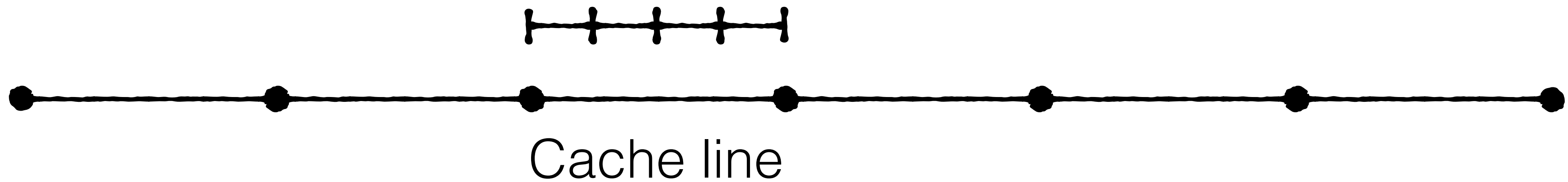
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JianyuanTPDS18

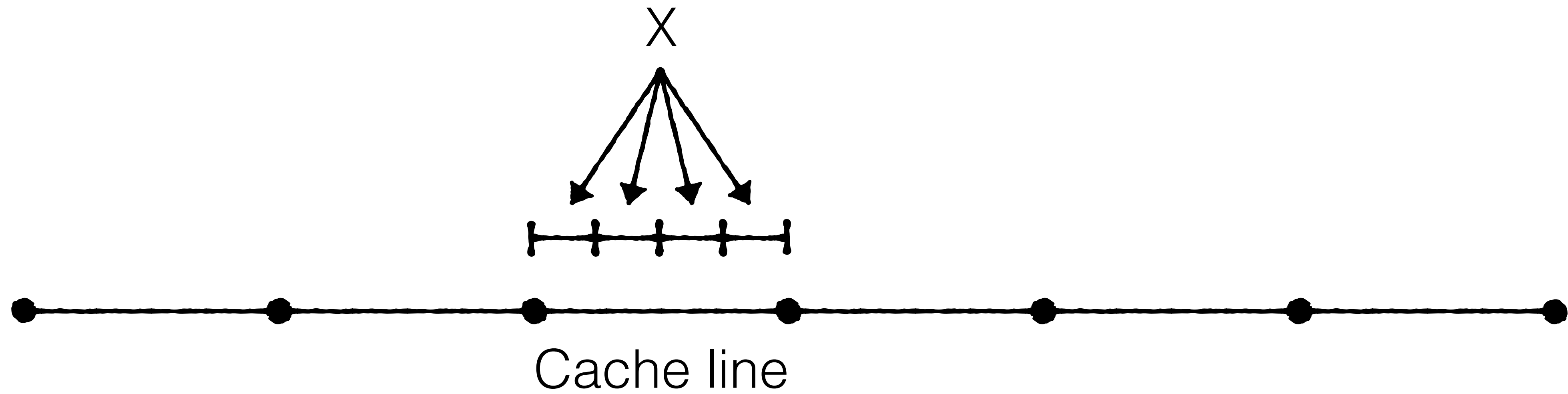


Partition into sub-lines

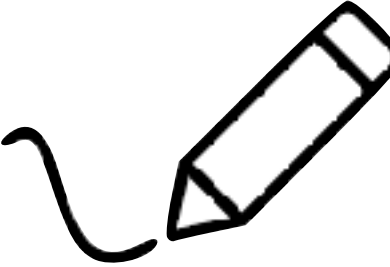


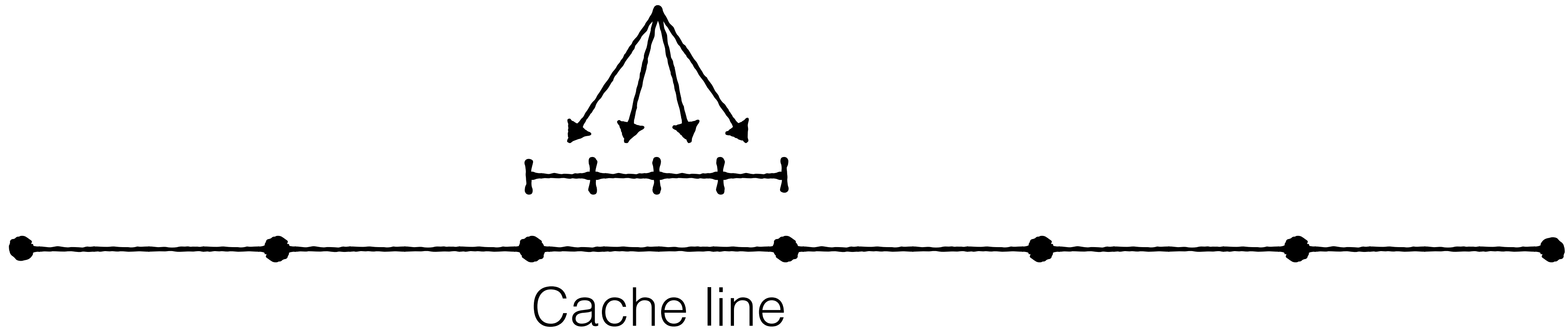
SIMD

Map one hash per sub-line

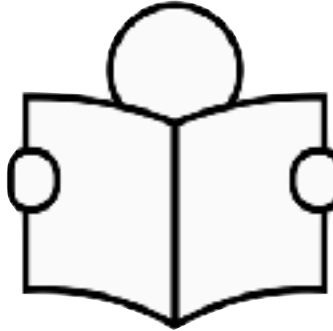


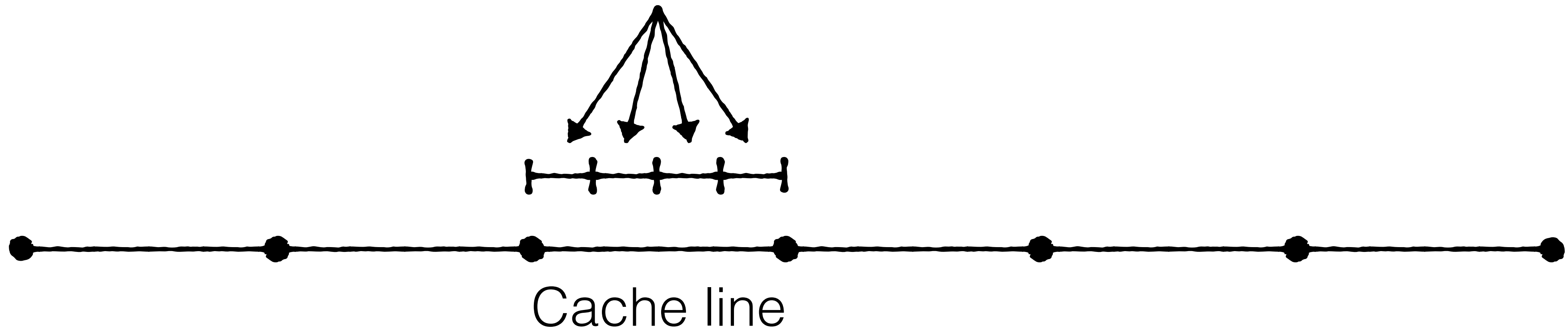
SIMD

Insert(X)
bitwise **“or”** 

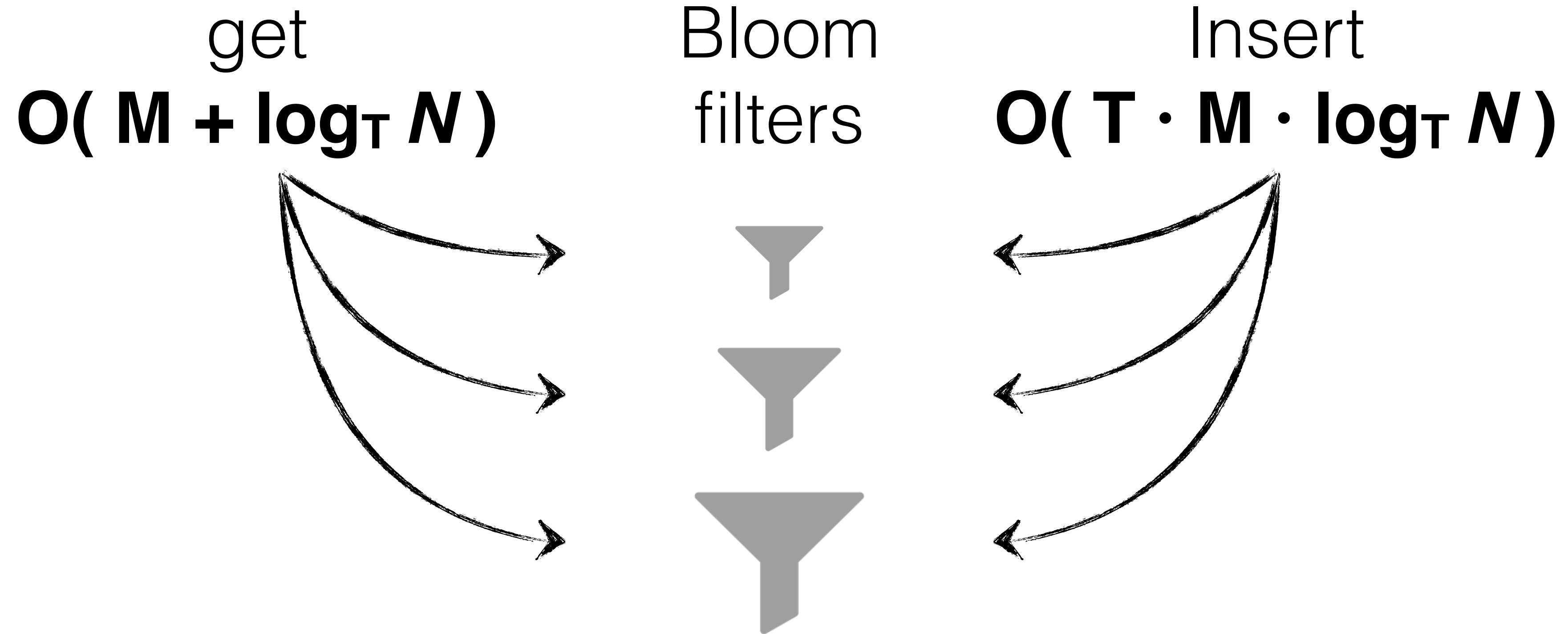


SIMD

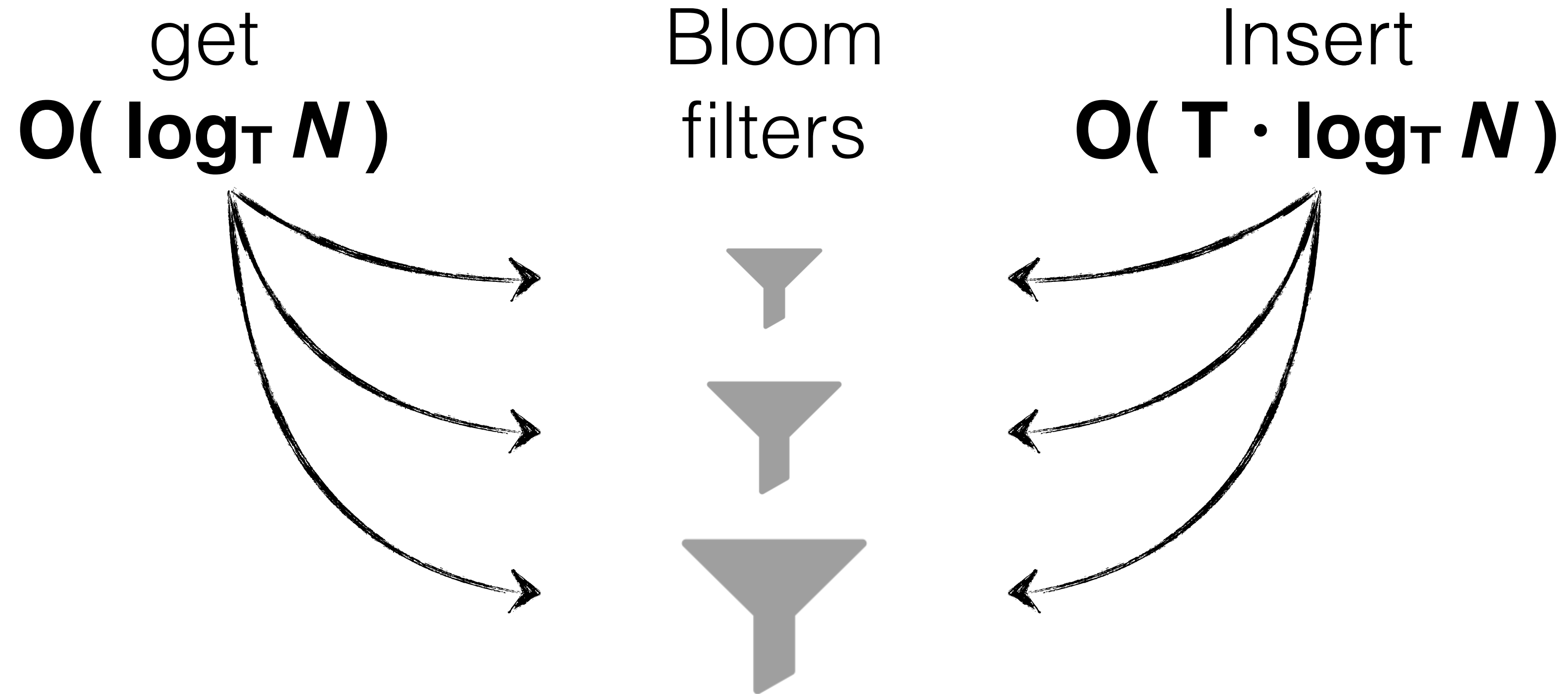
get(X)
bitwise “and” 



Blocking and SIMD



Blocking and SIMD

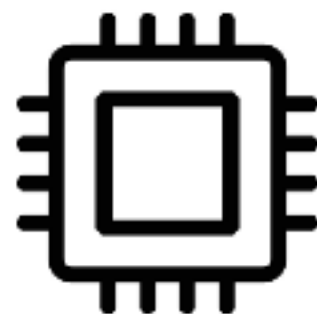


5 fronts

Holistic
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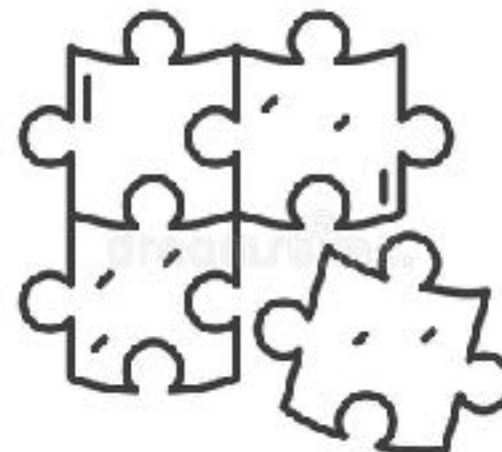
CPU



**Improving
Constants**



Unification



Range



Improving Constants

Bloom



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

Ideal



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

False
positive rate

Bloom



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



Ideal



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

False
positive rate

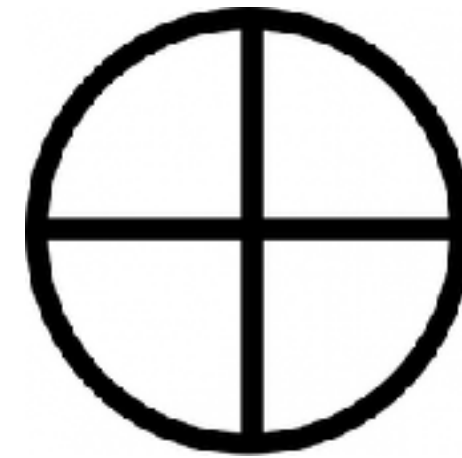
Can we improve this?

Bloom



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

XOR



Ideal



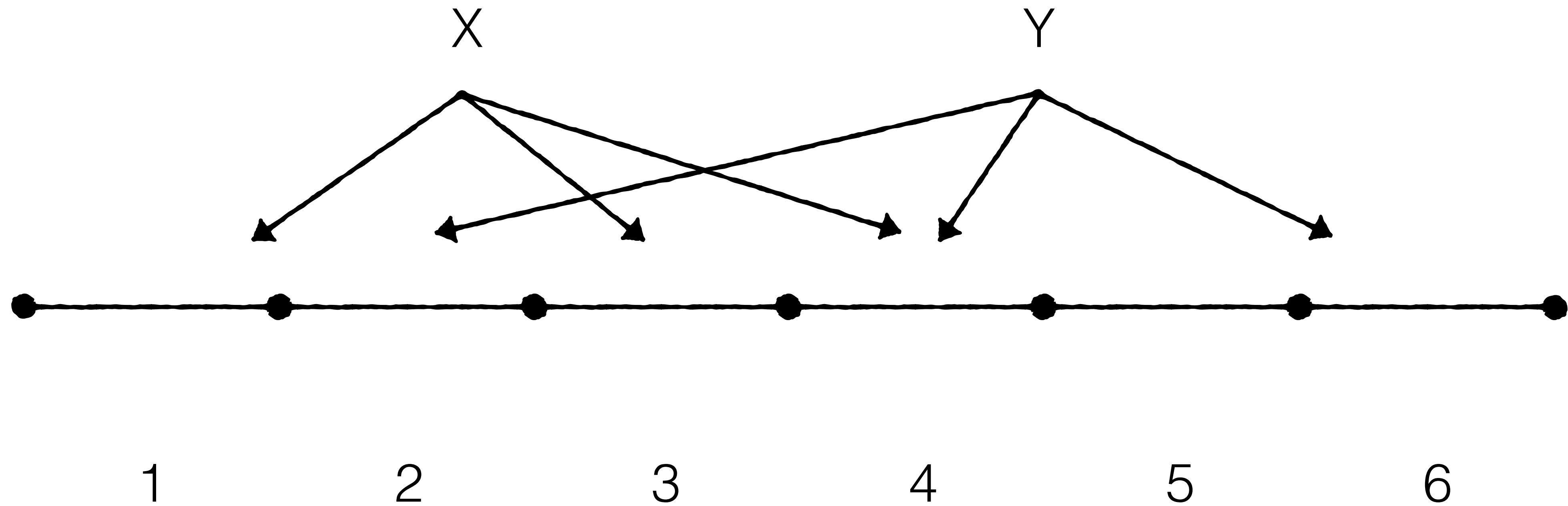
$$\approx 2^{-M}$$

GrafJEA20



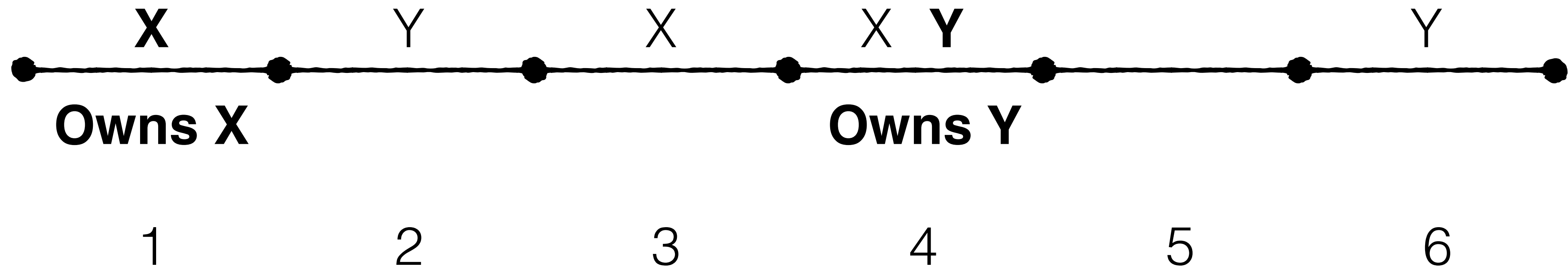
XOR Filter

Hash each entry to three buckets



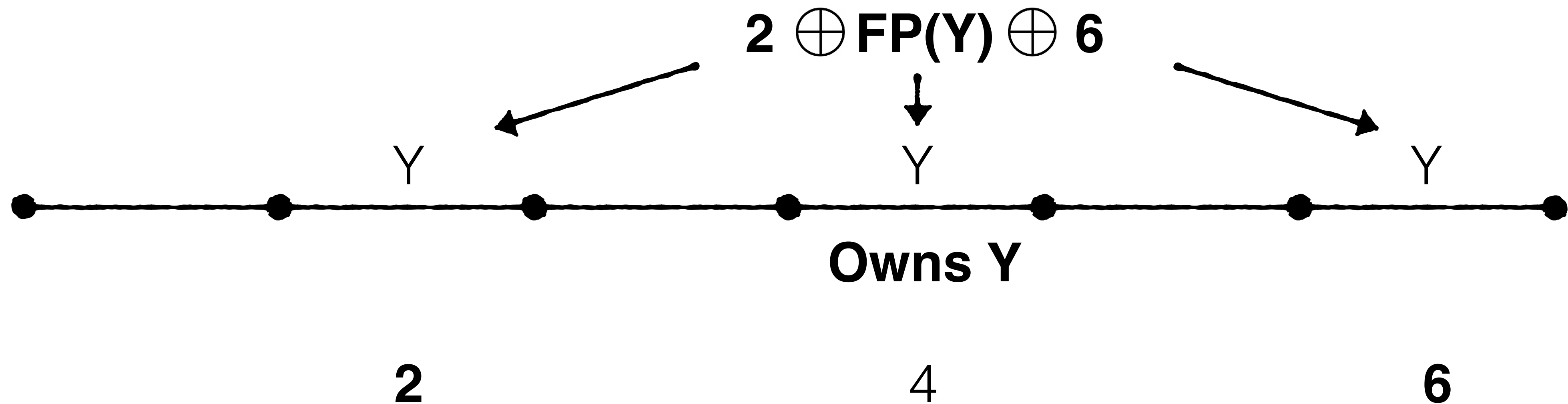
XOR Filter

Assign one bucket to own each entry



XOR Filter

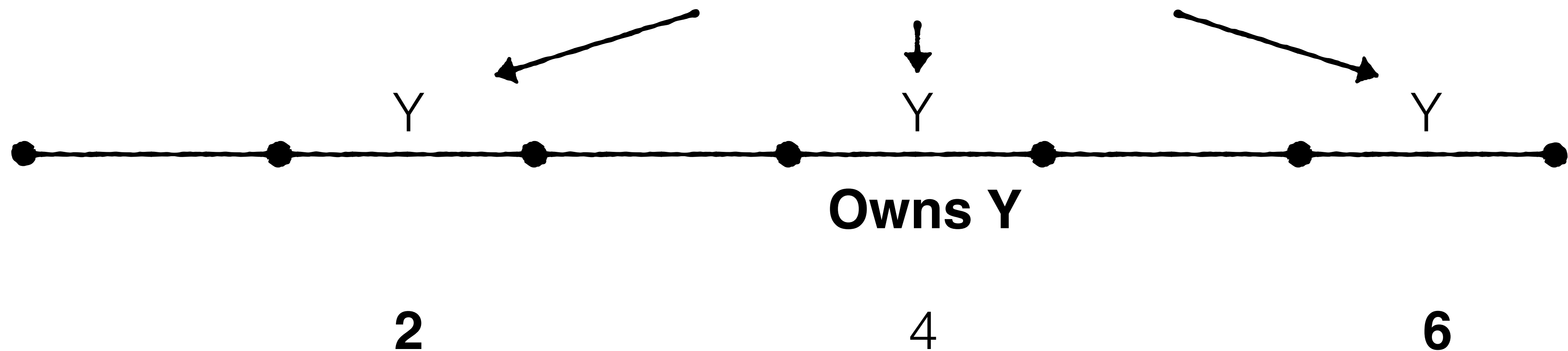
Each bucket stores XOR of fingerprint and other two buckets



XOR Filter

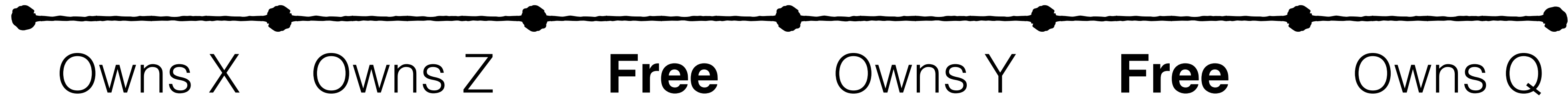
During queries, recover fingerprints by xoring three buckets

get(Y) returns true if $FP(Y) = 2 \oplus 4 \oplus 6$



XOR Filter

free space ensures each bucket can own one entry

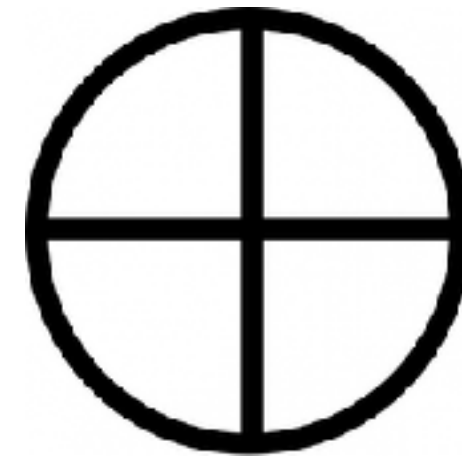


Bloom



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

XOR



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

Idealized



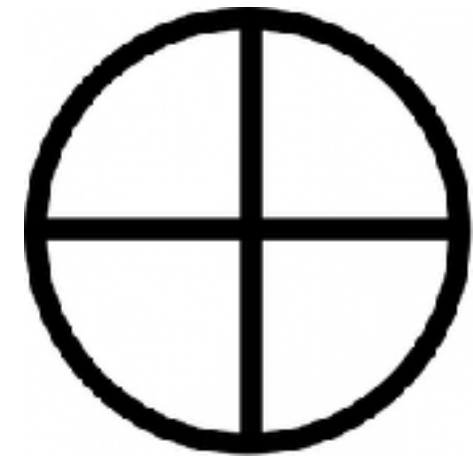
$$\approx 2^{-M}$$

Bloom



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

XOR



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

Ribbon



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

Idealized



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

Denser XOR filter

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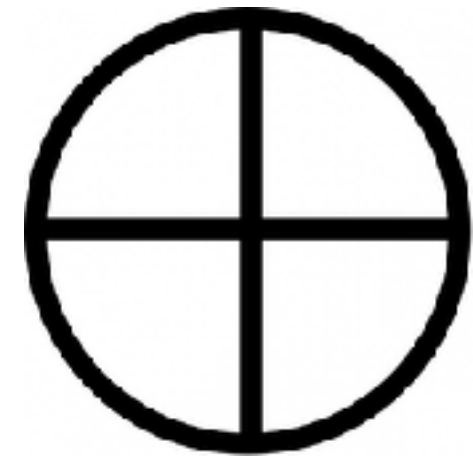


Bloom



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

XOR



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

Ribbon



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

Idealized



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

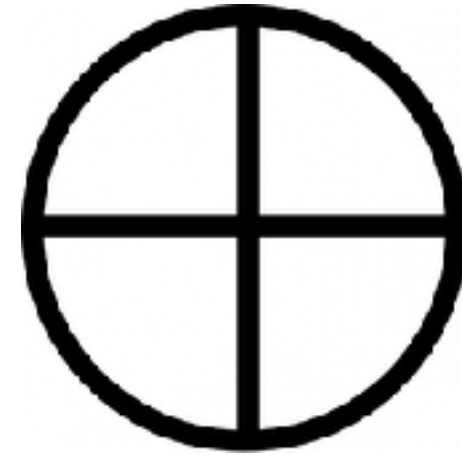
Denser XOR filter

In RocksDB since 2020

Bloom



XOR



Ribbon



Lower CPU

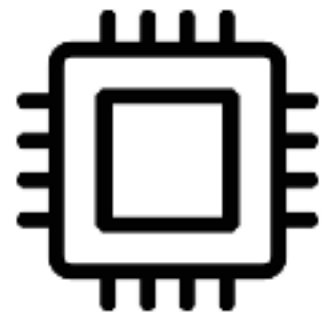
**Lower false
positive rate**

5 fronts

Holistic
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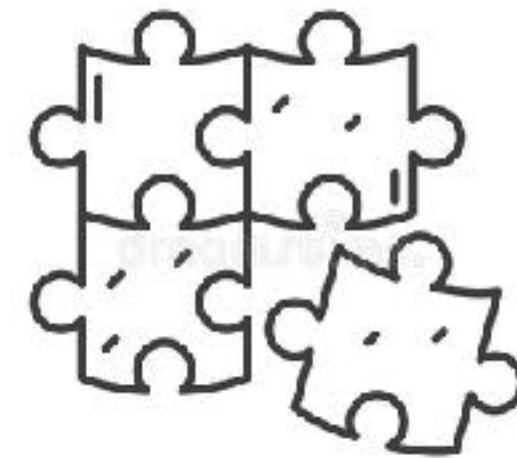
CPU



Improving
Constants



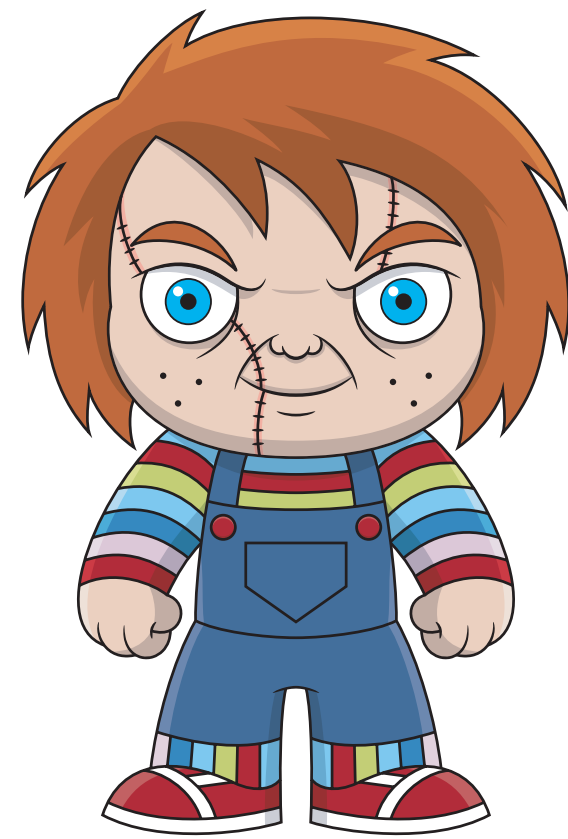
Unification



Range

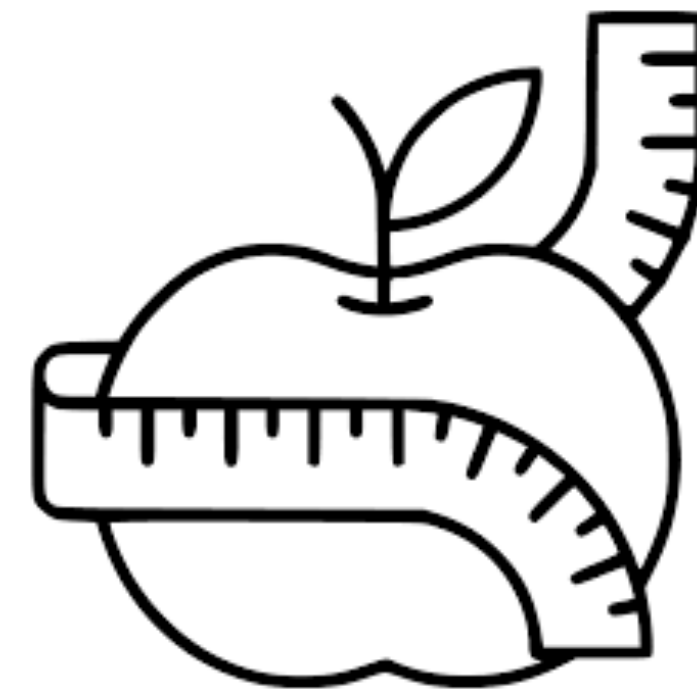


Unification



Chucky

DayanSIGMOD21

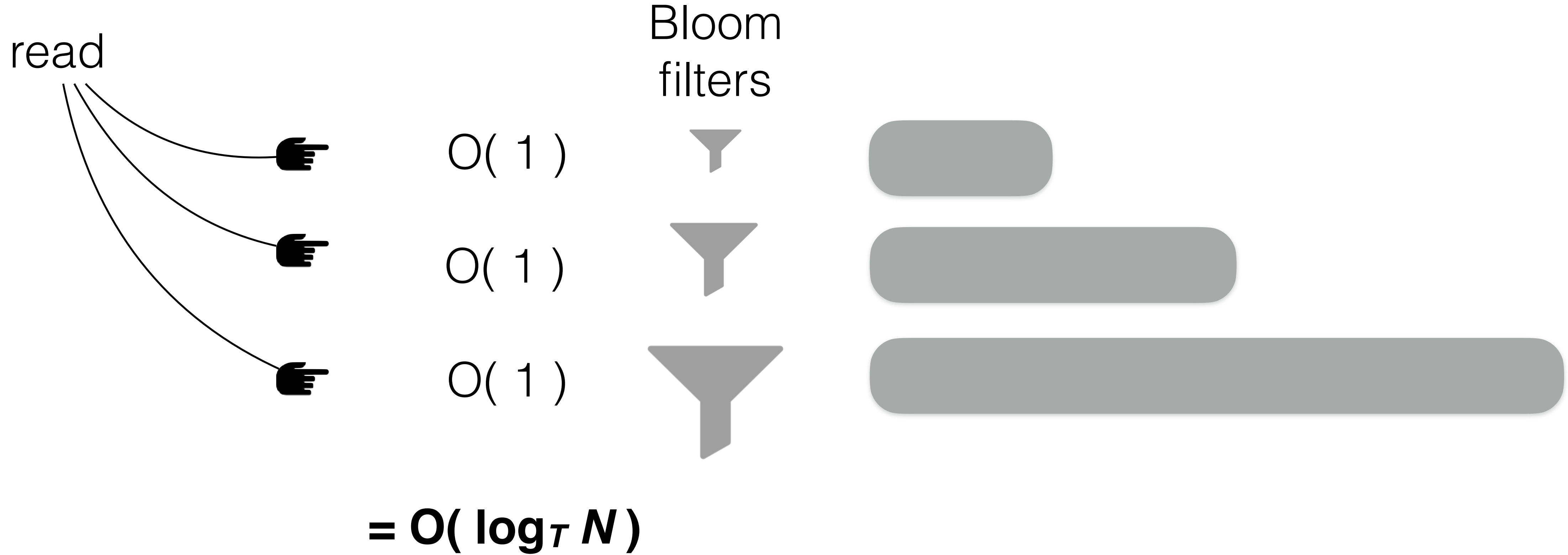


SlimDB

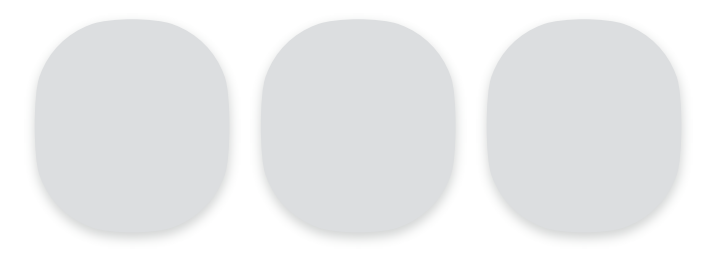
RenVLDB17



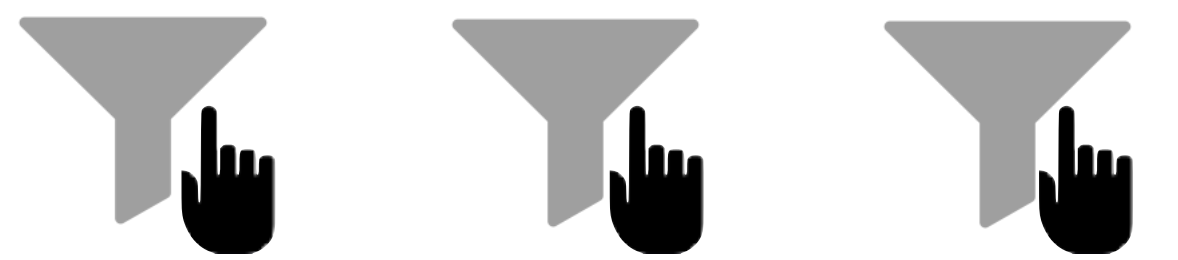
Unification



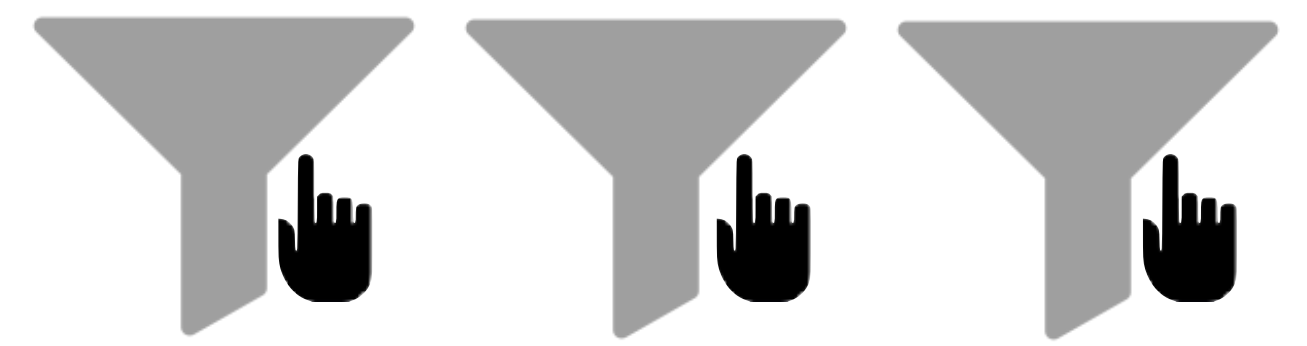
$O(T)$



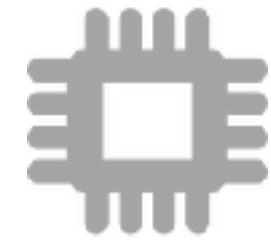
$O(T)$



$O(T)$



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



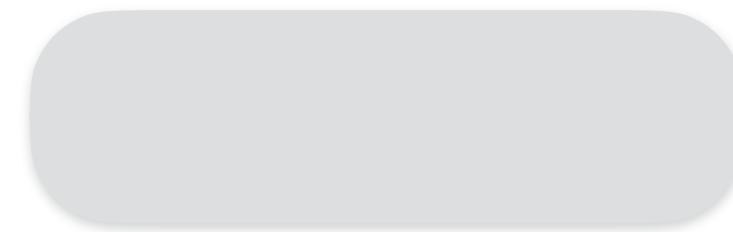
hash table

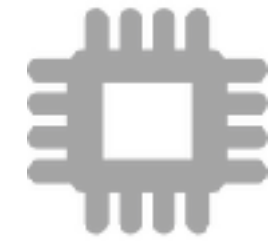


key

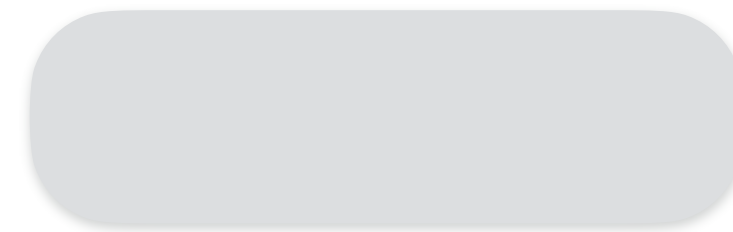


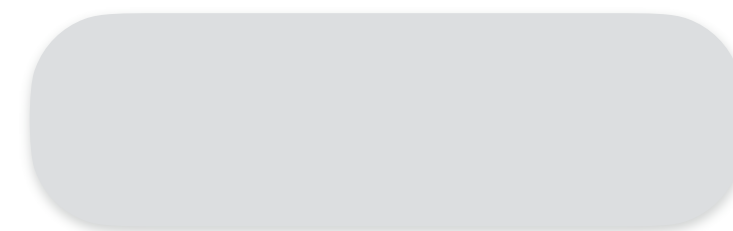
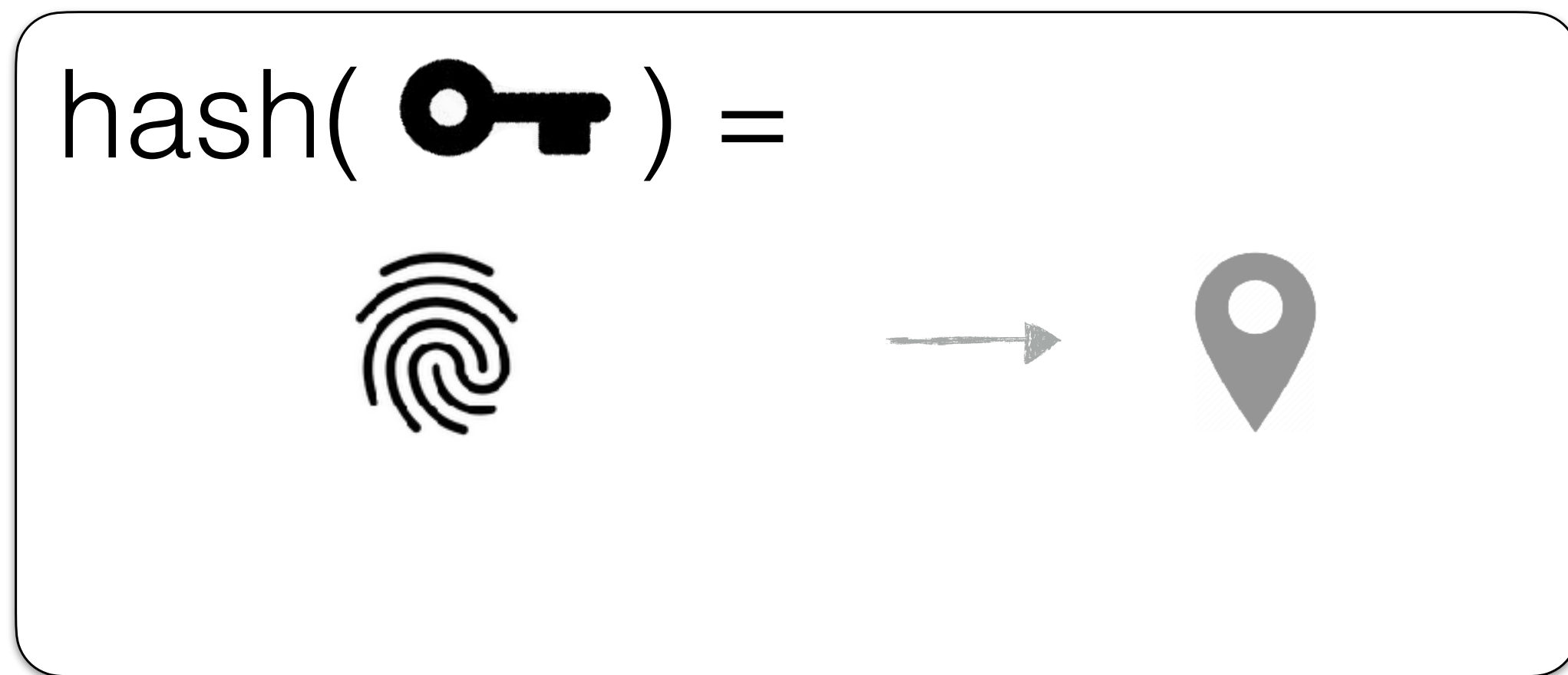
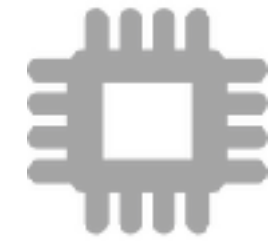
Level ID



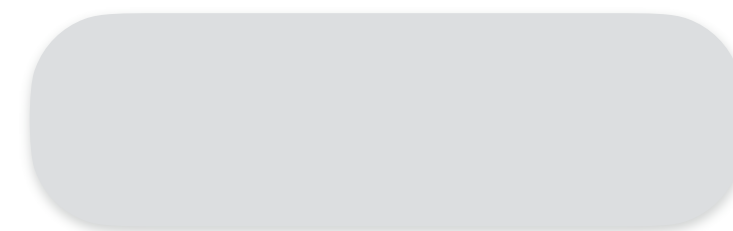
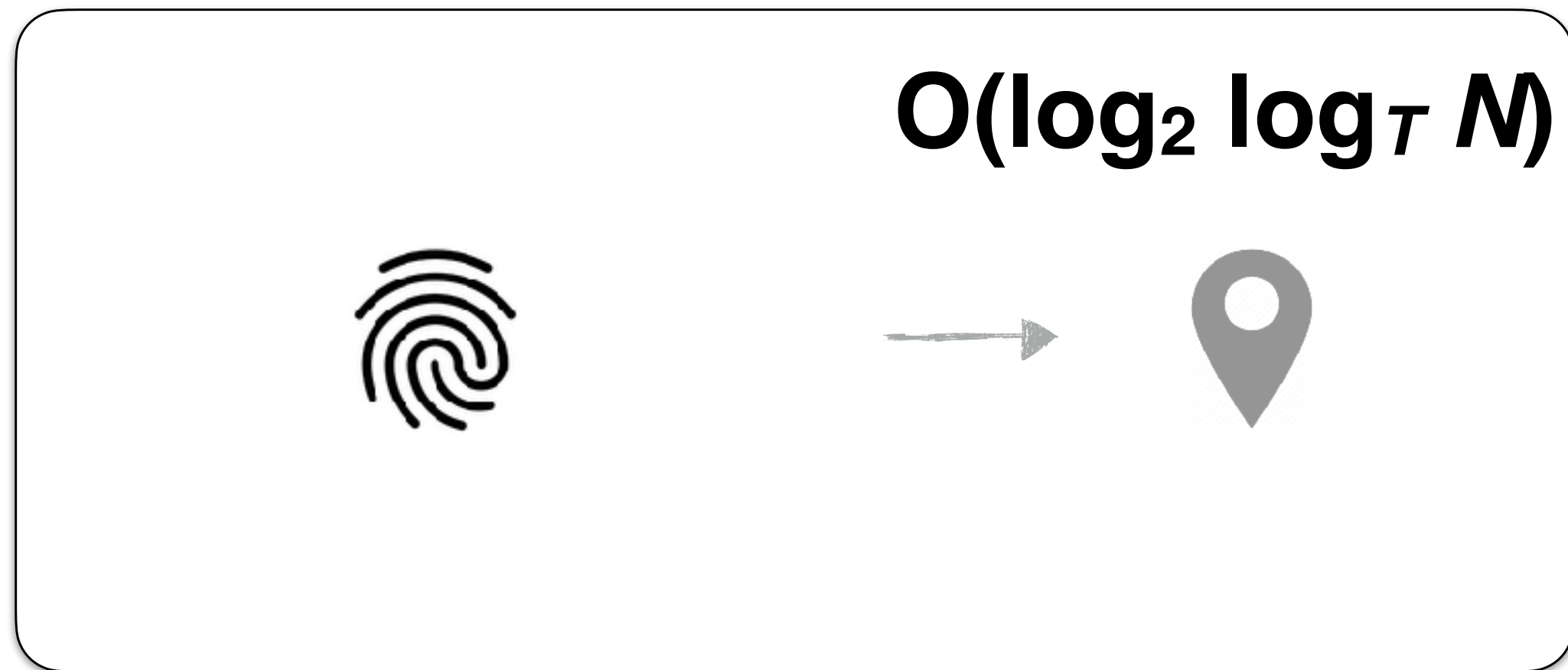
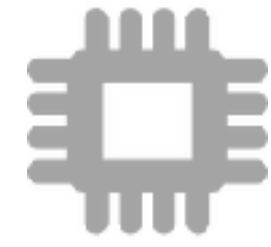


hash(🔑) =

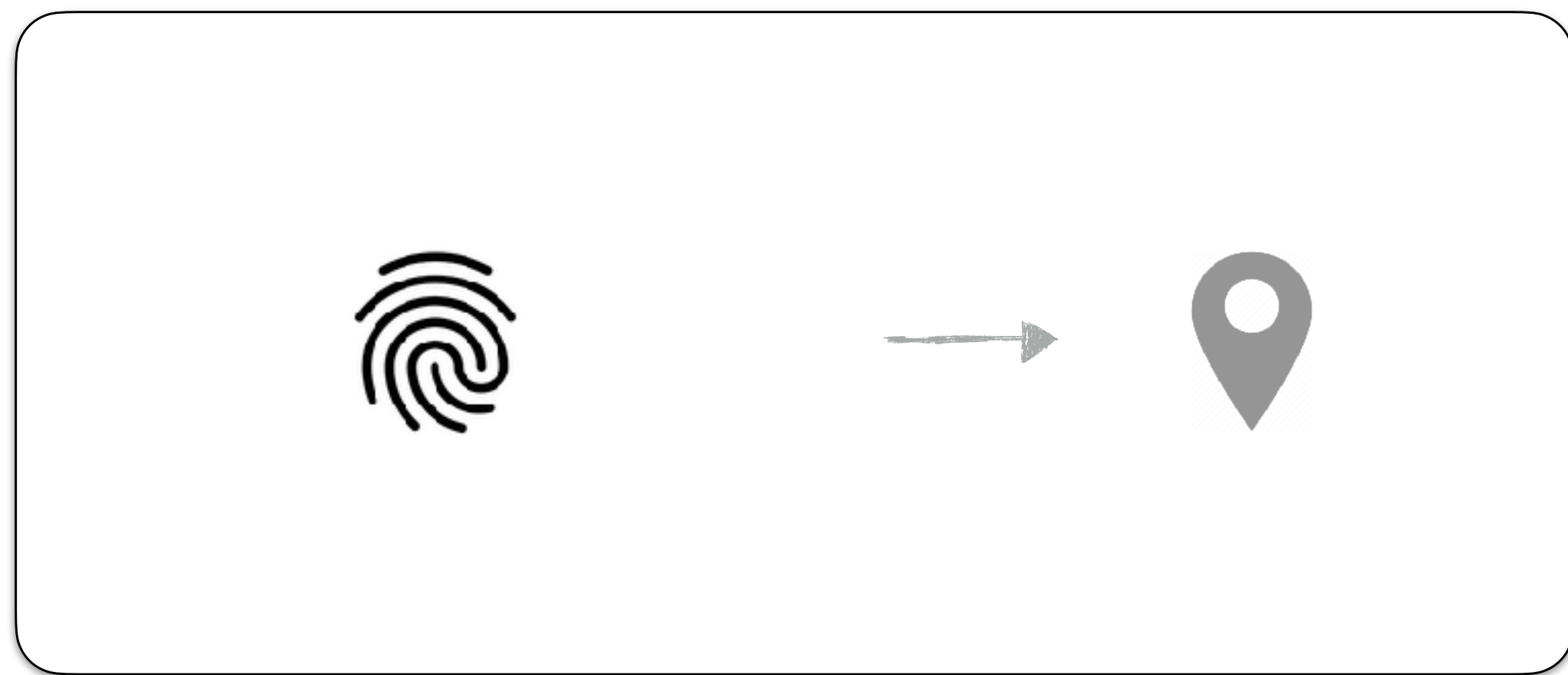




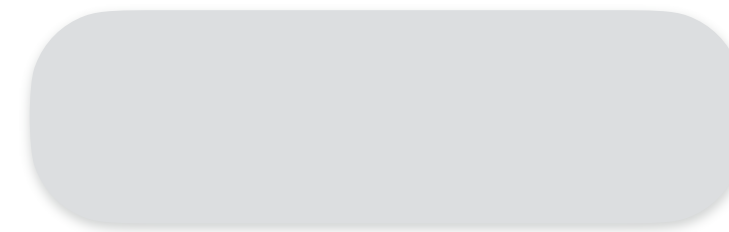
cuckoo filter



Binary encoding



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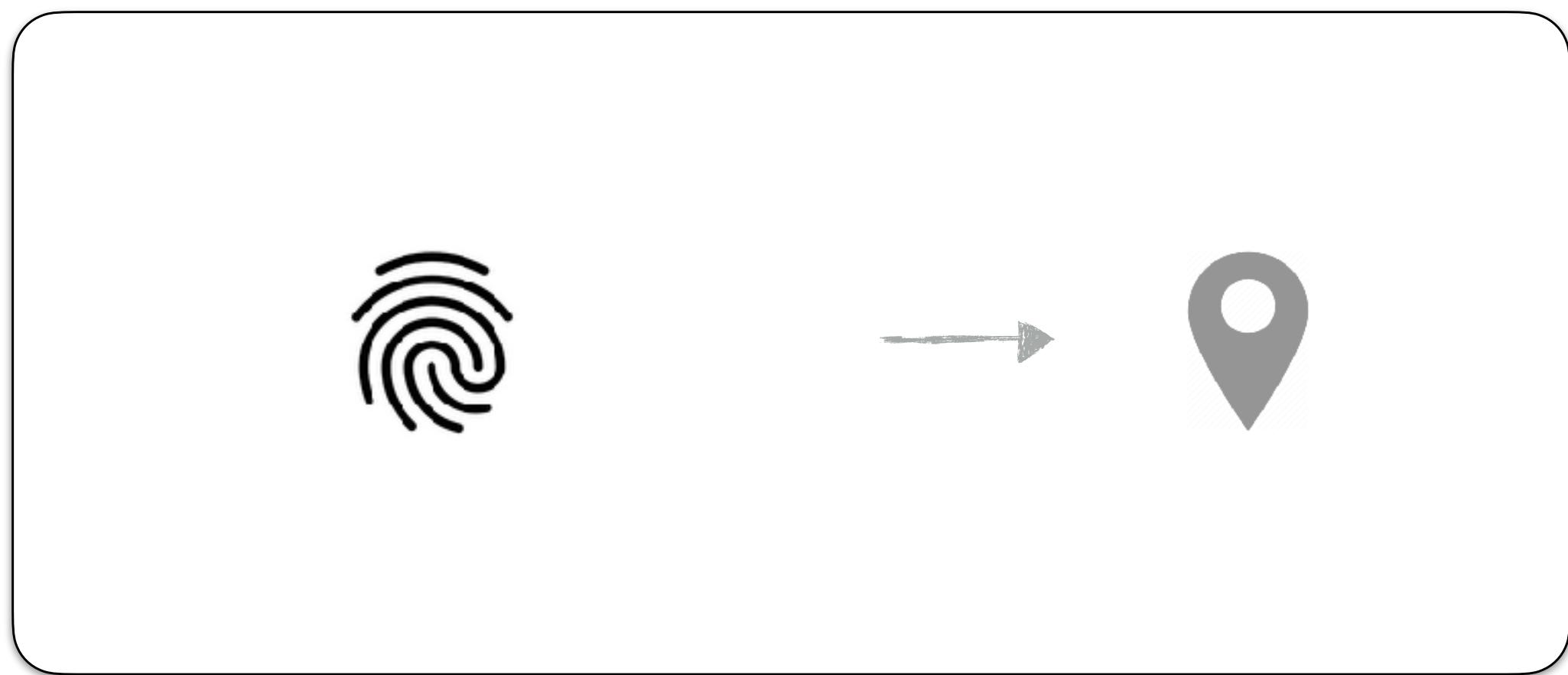
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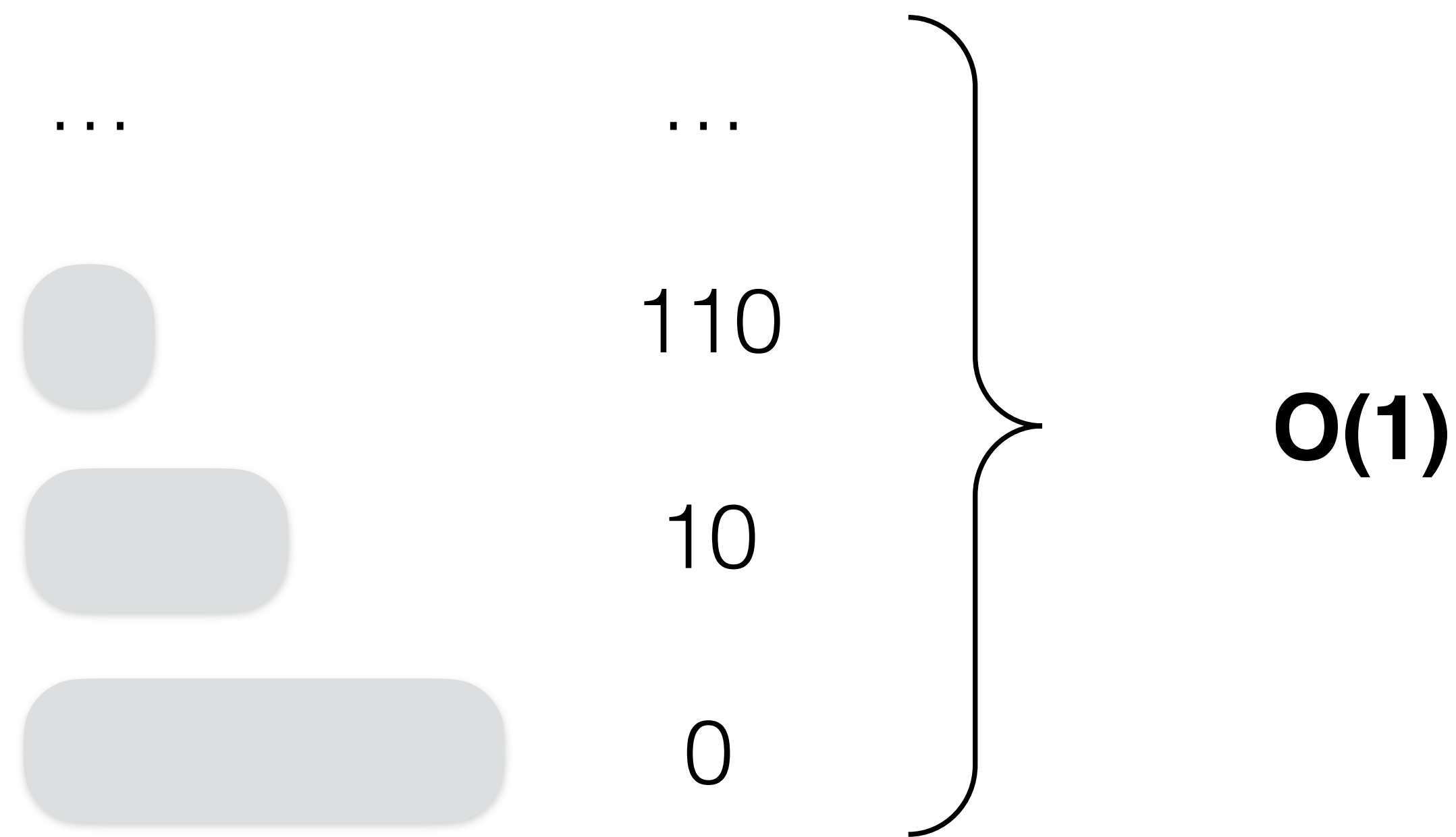
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$O(\log_2 \log_\tau N)$



e.g., unary encoding





Monkey w. Bloom

Get I/O

$$O(1 + 2^{-M} \cdot \ln(2))$$

Get CPU

$$O(\log_T N)$$



Chucky w. Cuckoo

$$O(1 + 2^{-M+3})$$

$$O(1)$$



Monkey w. Bloom

Get I/O

$$O(1 + 2^{-M} \cdot \ln(2))$$

Get CPU

$$O(\log_{\tau} N)$$

Insert CPU

$$O(\mathbf{T} \cdot \mathbf{\log_{\tau} N})$$

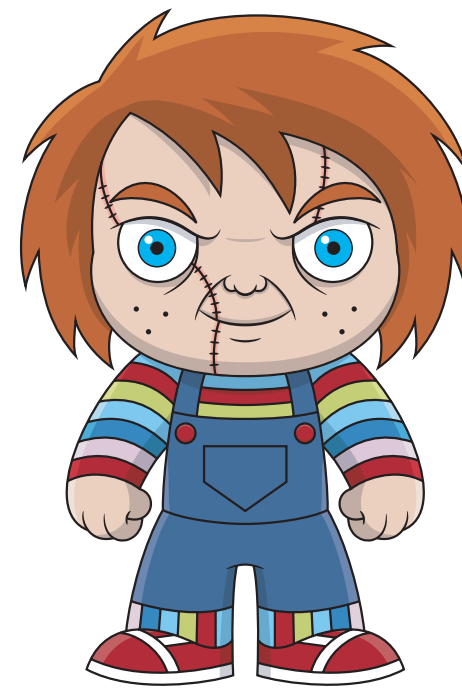


Chucky w. Cuckoo

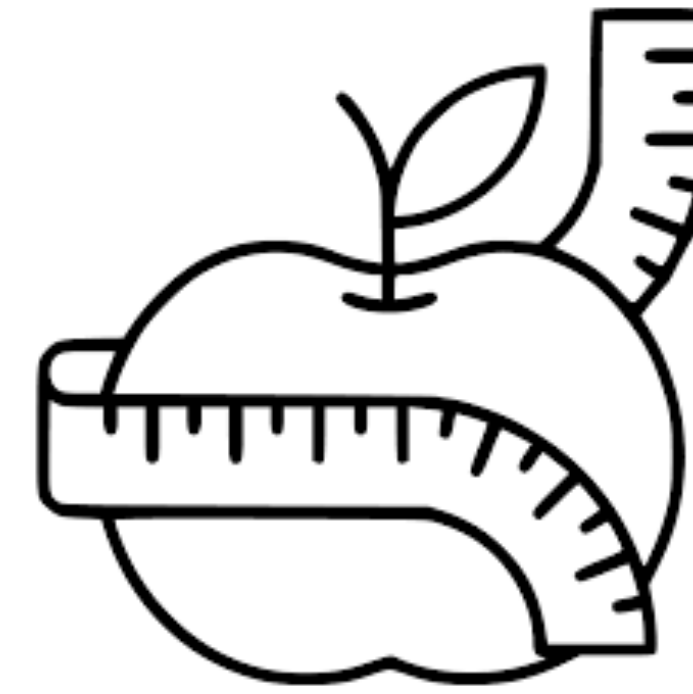
$$O(1 + 2^{-M+3})$$

$$O(1)$$

$$O(\mathbf{\log_{\tau} N})$$



Chucky



SlimDB

Get I/O

$$O(1 + 2^{-M+3})$$

$$**O(1)**$$

Memory

$$M$$

$$**M + 2^{-M} \cdot \log_2(N)**$$

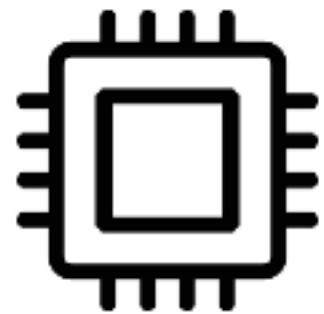
**Keeps full key in memory
whenever fingerprints collide**

5 fronts

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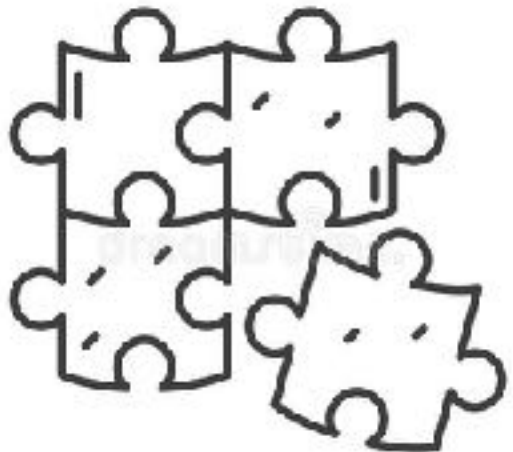
CPU



Improving
Constants



Unification



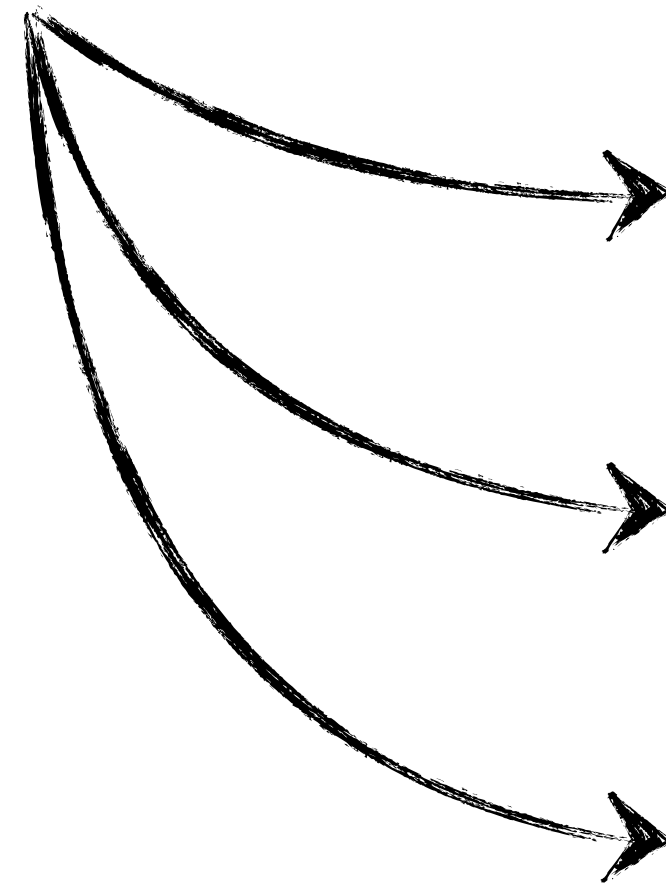
Range



Range Filtering

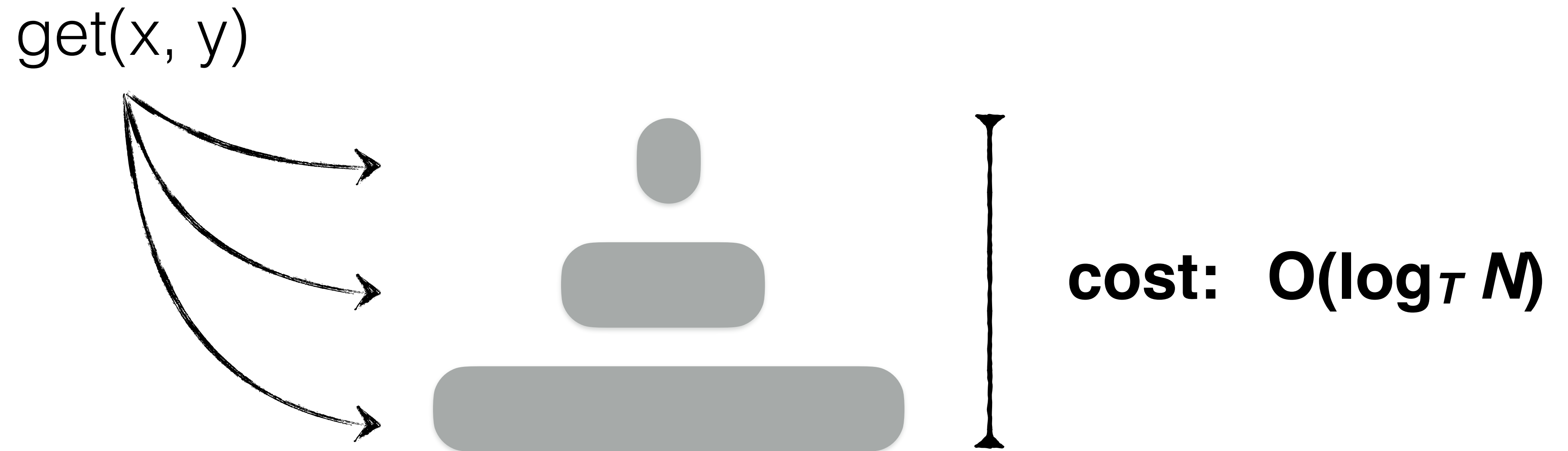
Traditional filters do not support ranges

get(x, y)



Range Filtering

Traditional filters do not support ranges



Range Filters




Prefix Filter

RocksDB20 



Surf

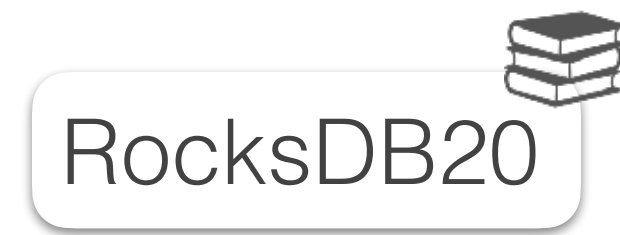
ZhangSIGMOD18 



Rosetta

LouSIGMOD21 

Prefix Filter



Users define prefix extraction method

Prefix Filter

Users define prefix extraction method

Country code

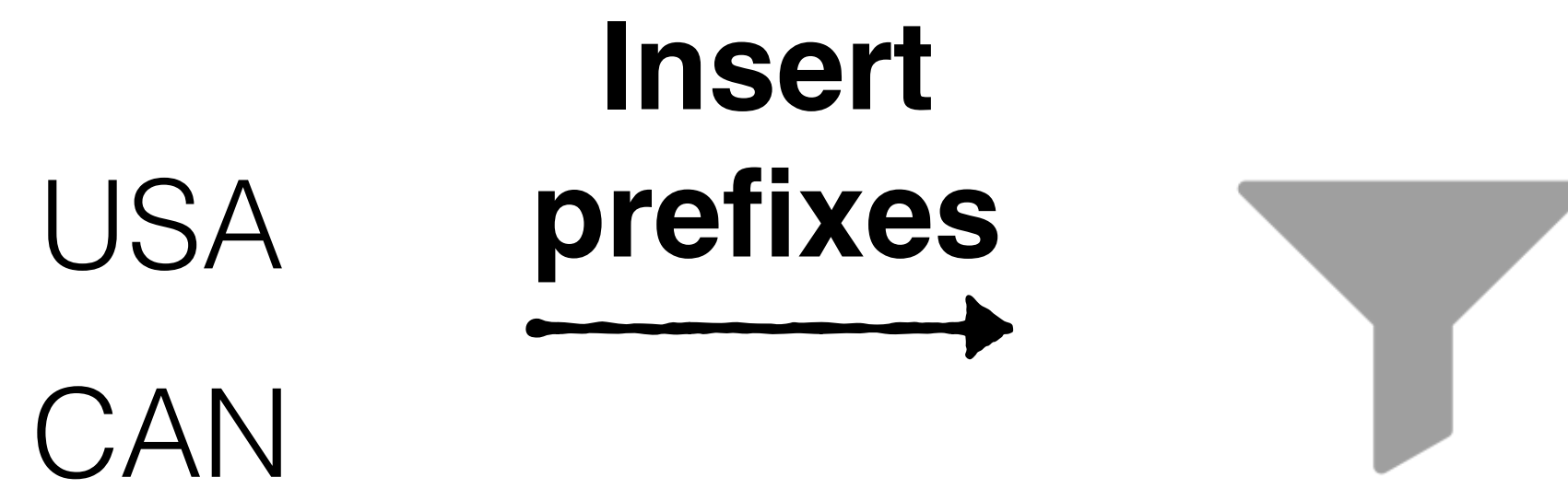


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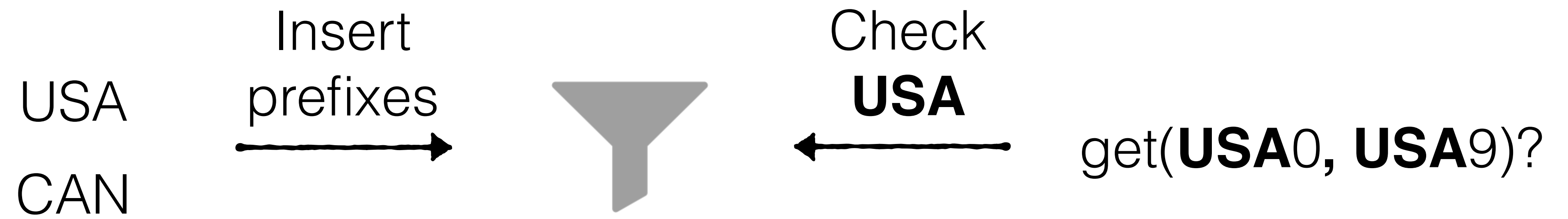
Prefix Filter

Users define prefix extraction method



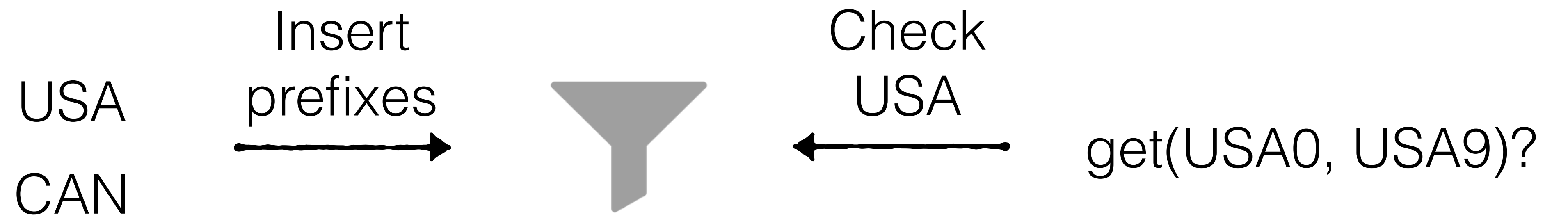
Prefix Filter

Users define prefix extraction method



Prefix Filter

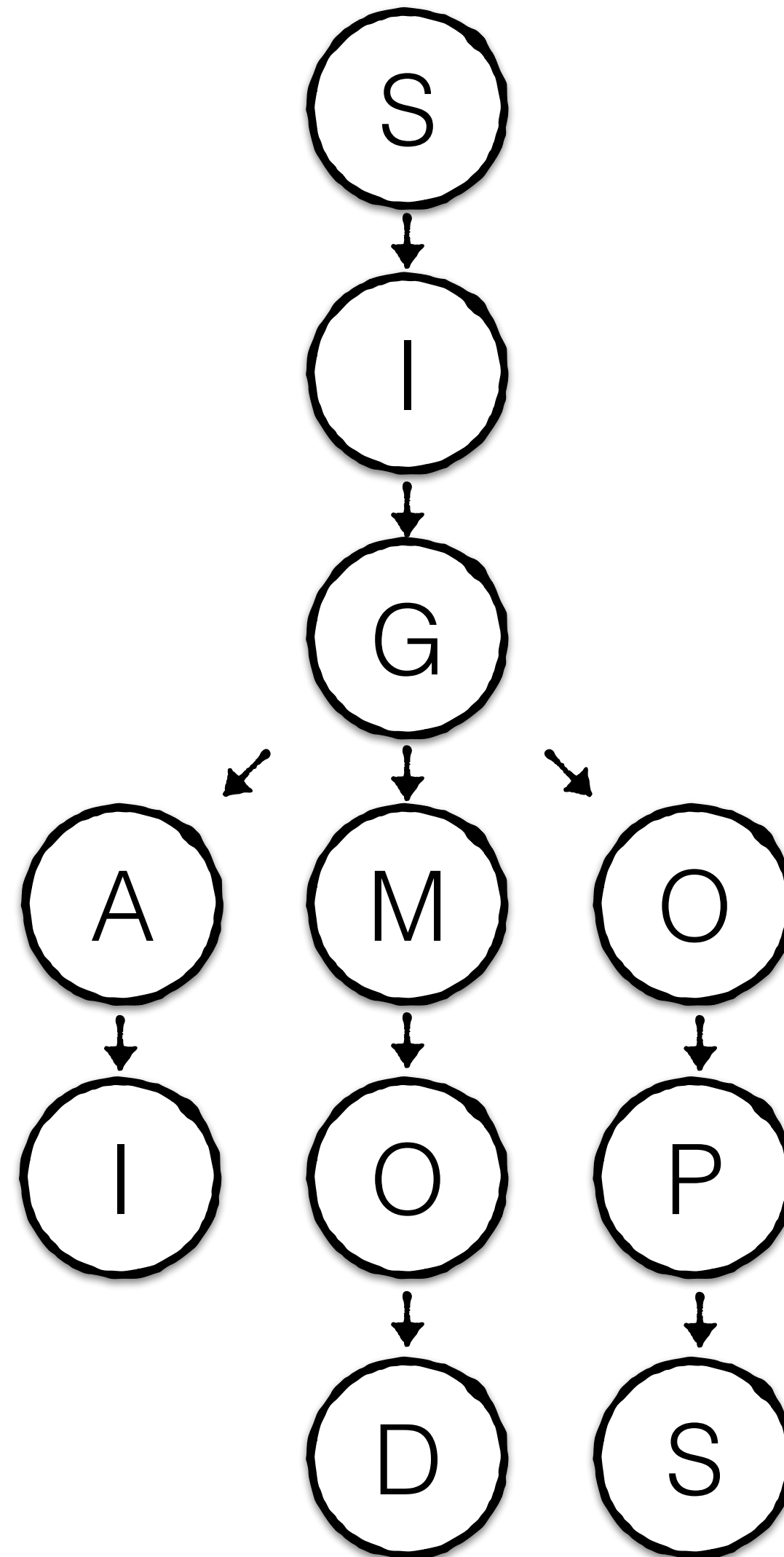
Users define prefix extraction method



Non-generic and requires API extension

Surf

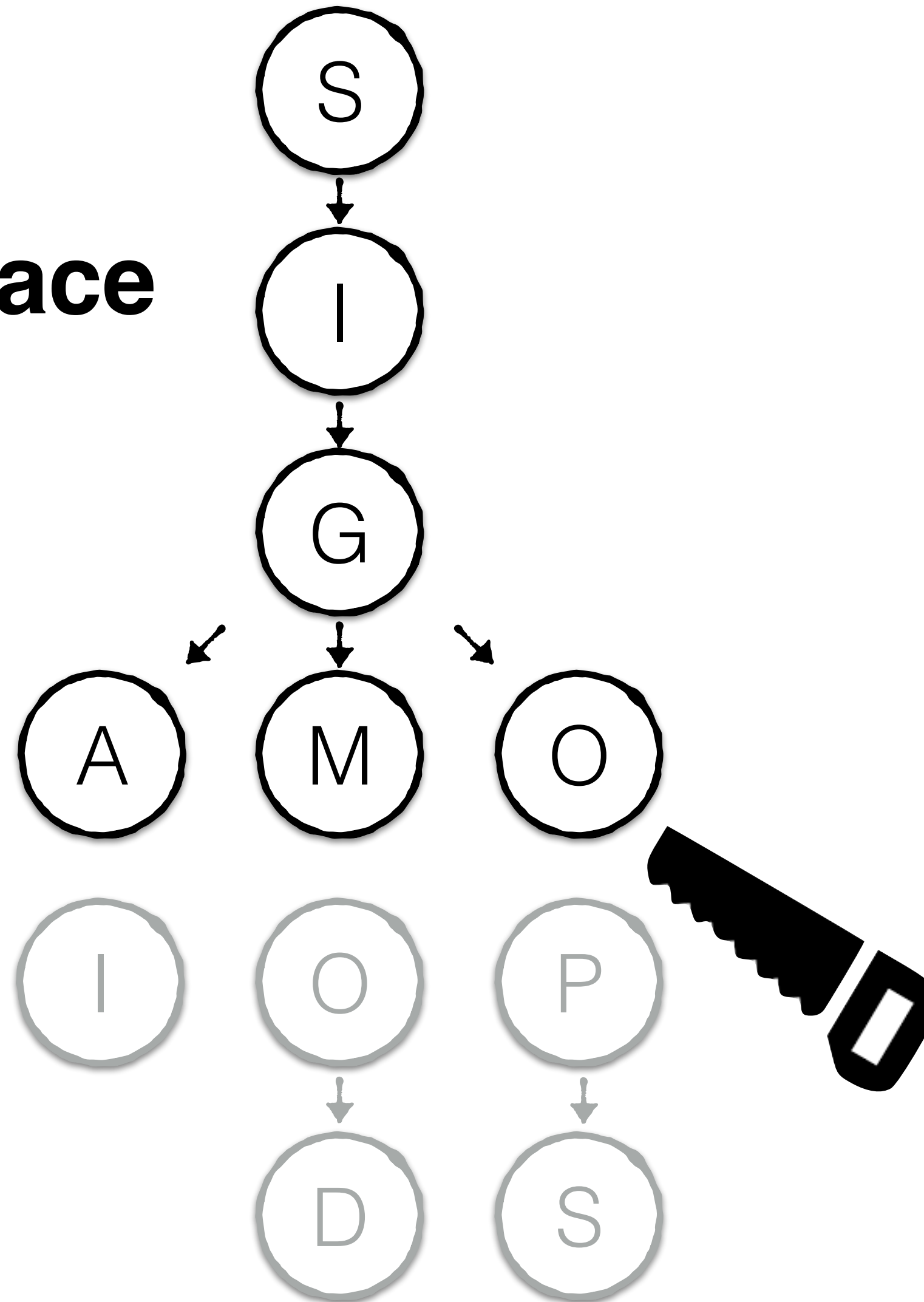
A trie of all keys



Surf

A trie of all keys

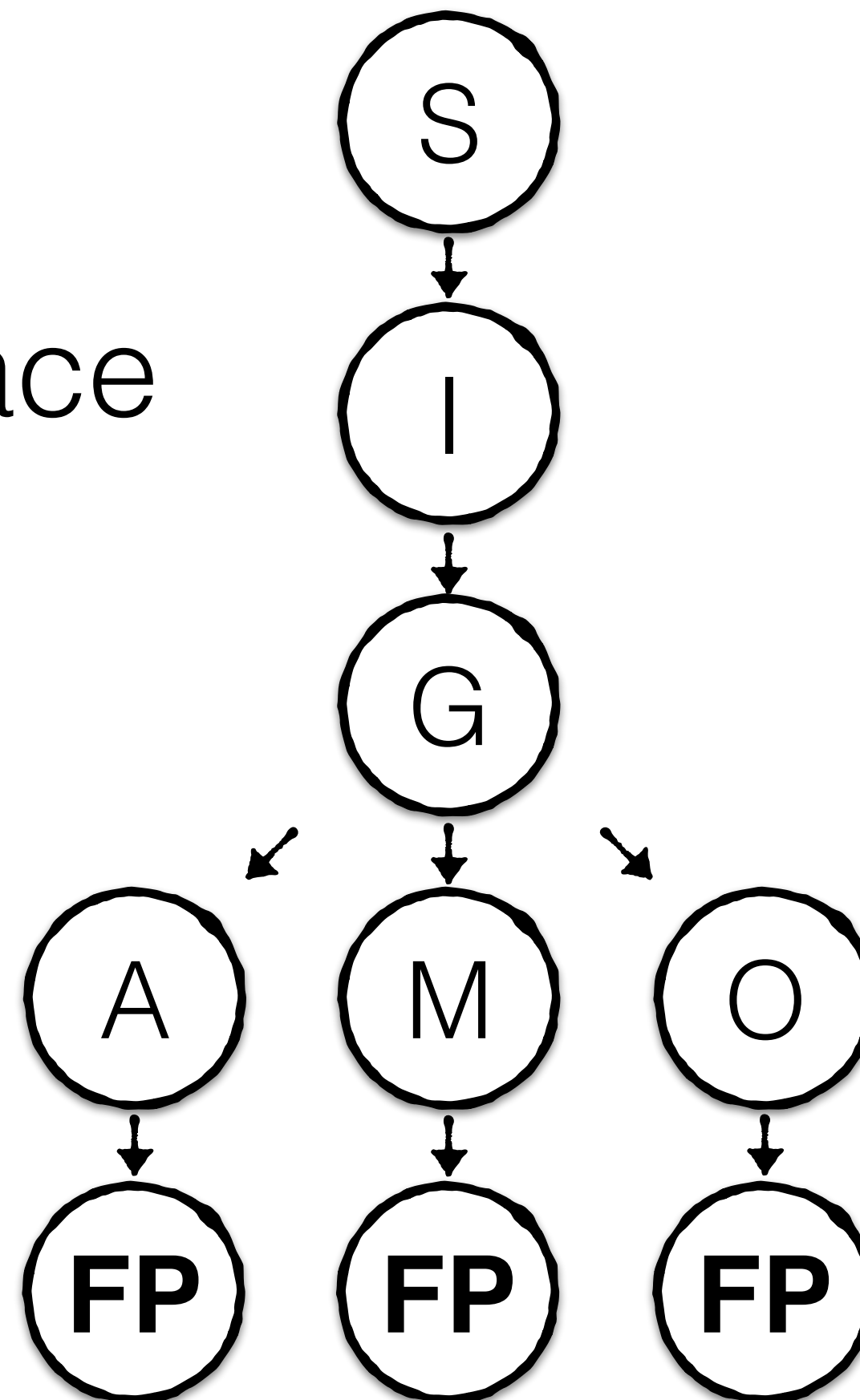
Truncated to reduce space



Surf

A trie of all keys

Truncated to reduce space

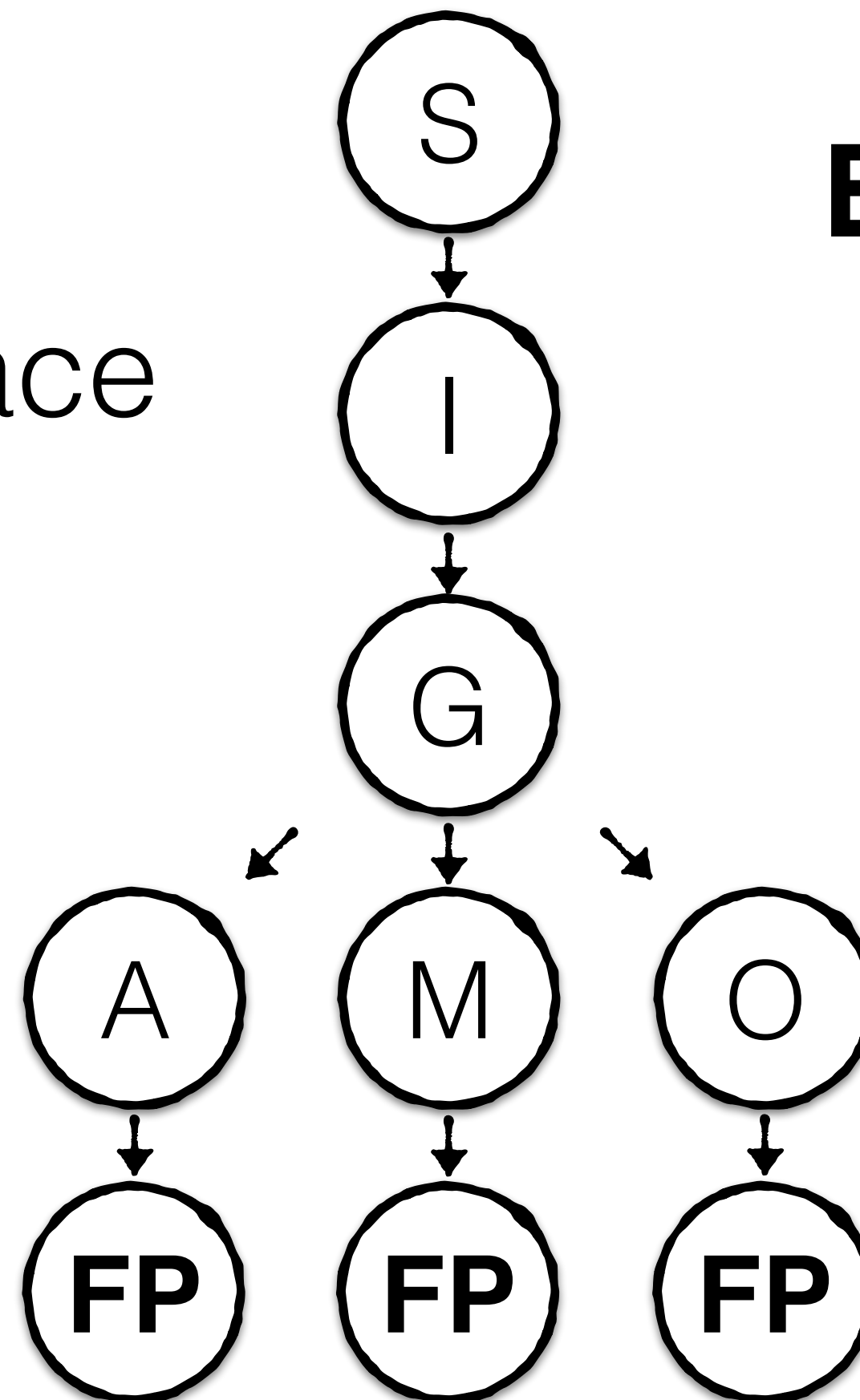


Add fingerprint for point reads

Surf

A trie of all keys

Truncated to reduce space

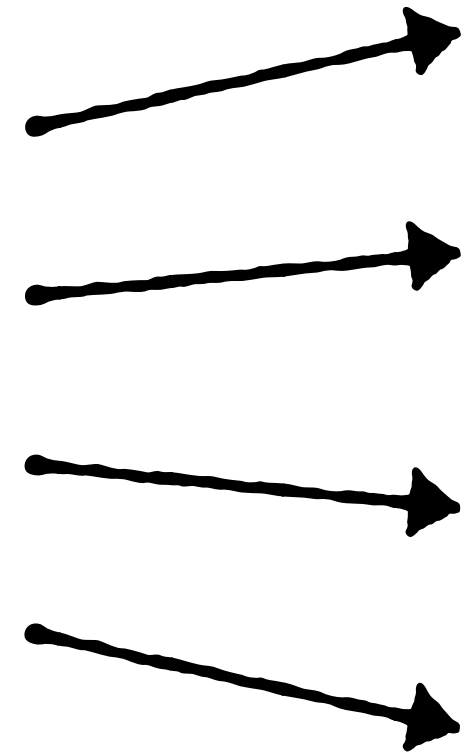


**Encoded as succinct trie
with rank & select**

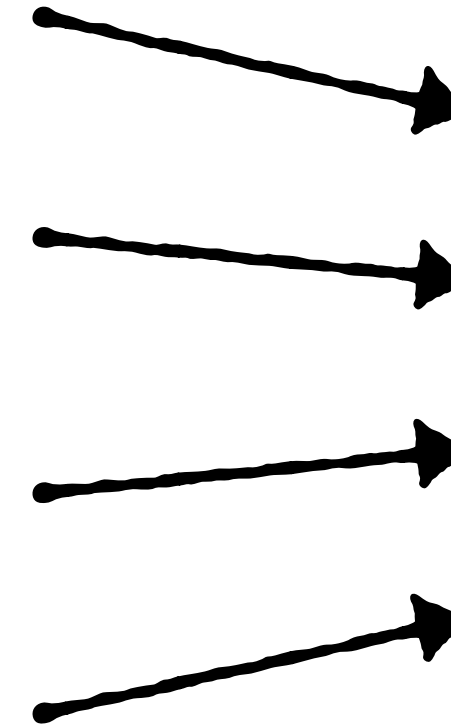
Add fingerprint for point reads

Rosetta

Insert(ICDE)



I
IC
ICD
ICDE



Add all prefixes of all keys to a Bloom filter

Rosetta

get(ICDE, ICDF)

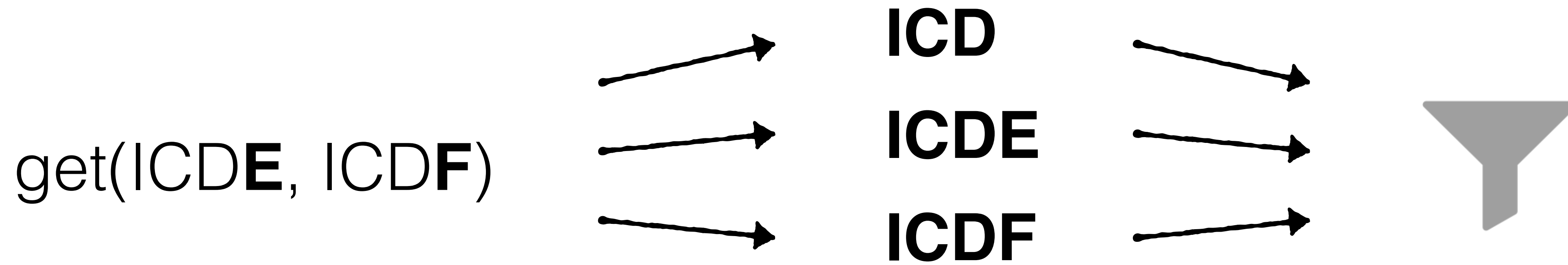


ICD



Check largest common prefixes

Rosetta



Check largest common prefixes

Add more fine-grained checks to reduce false positive rate



Surf



Rosetta



Better long range

Better short range

Range Filters




Prefix Filters

RocksDB20 



Surf

ZhangSIGMOD18 




Rosetta

LouSIGMOD21 




Remix

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Snarf

VaidyaVLDB22 




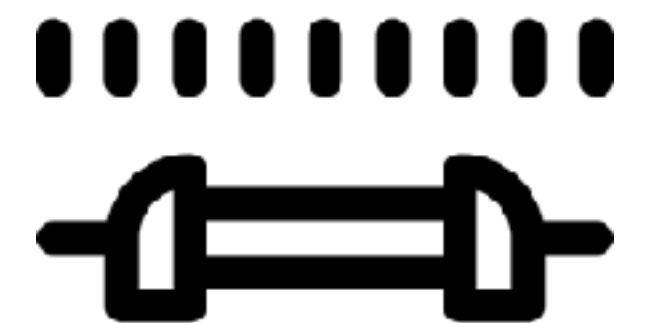
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REncoder

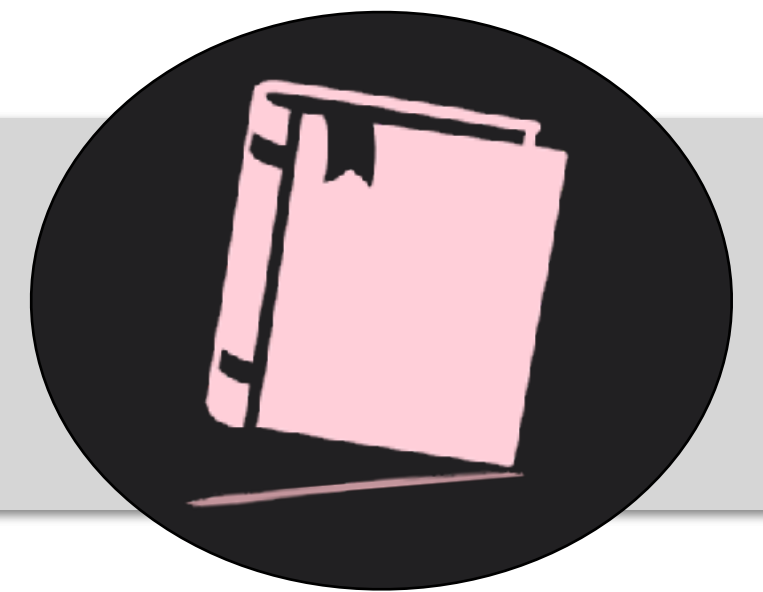
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Outline

Part 1: LSM Basics



Part 2B: **Read Optimizations in LSMs**

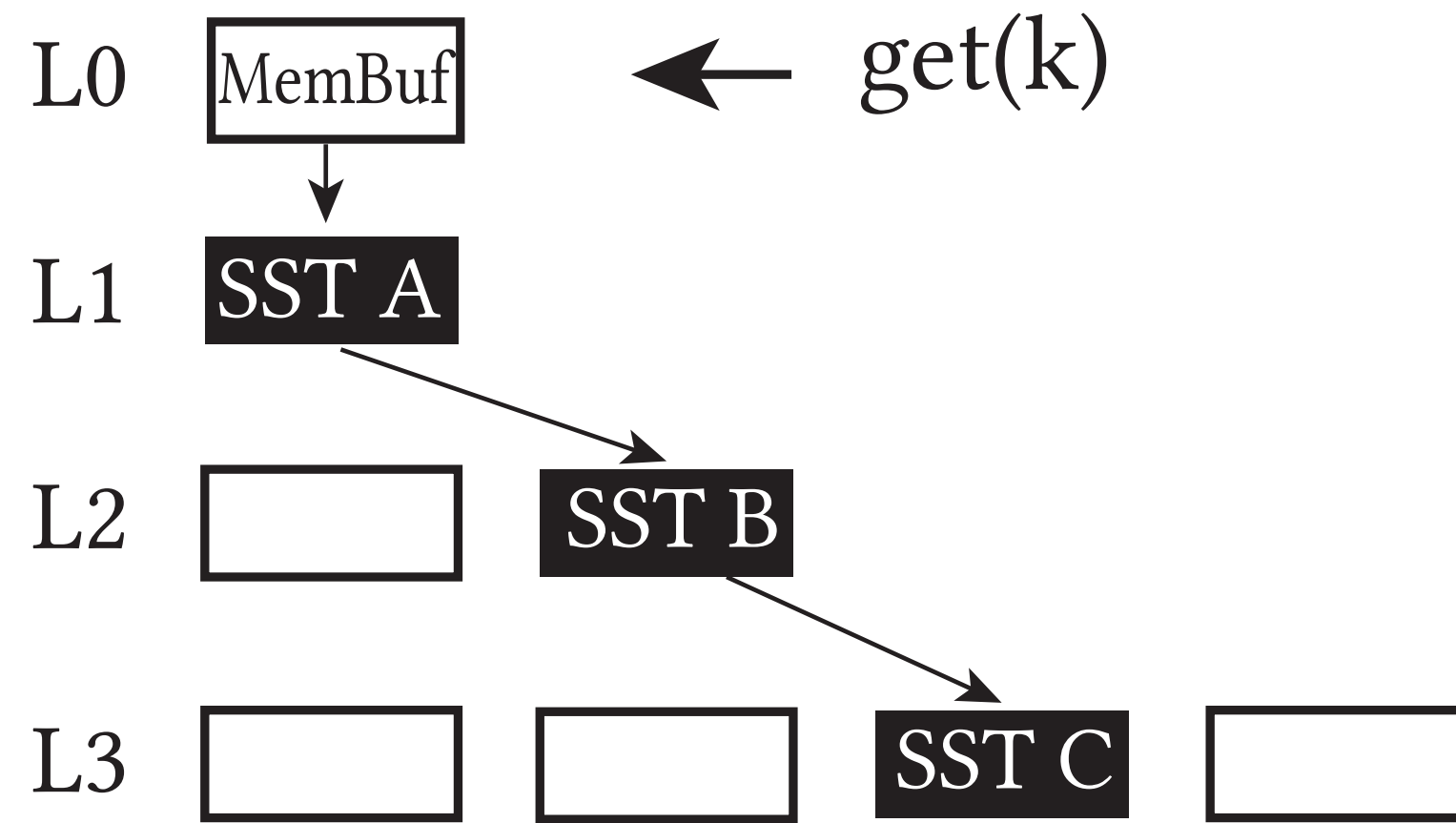


Part 3: Navigating the LSM Design Space



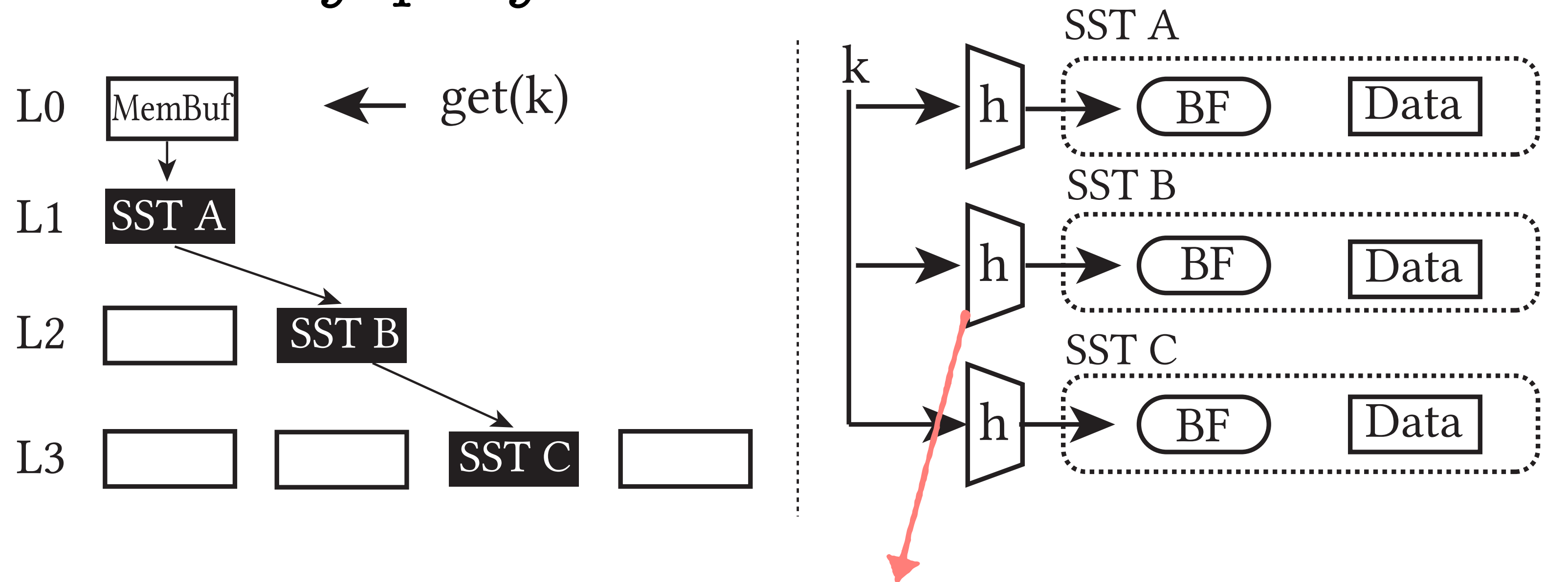
Reducing CPU Overheads in LSMs

For every query ...



Reducing CPU Overheads in LSMs

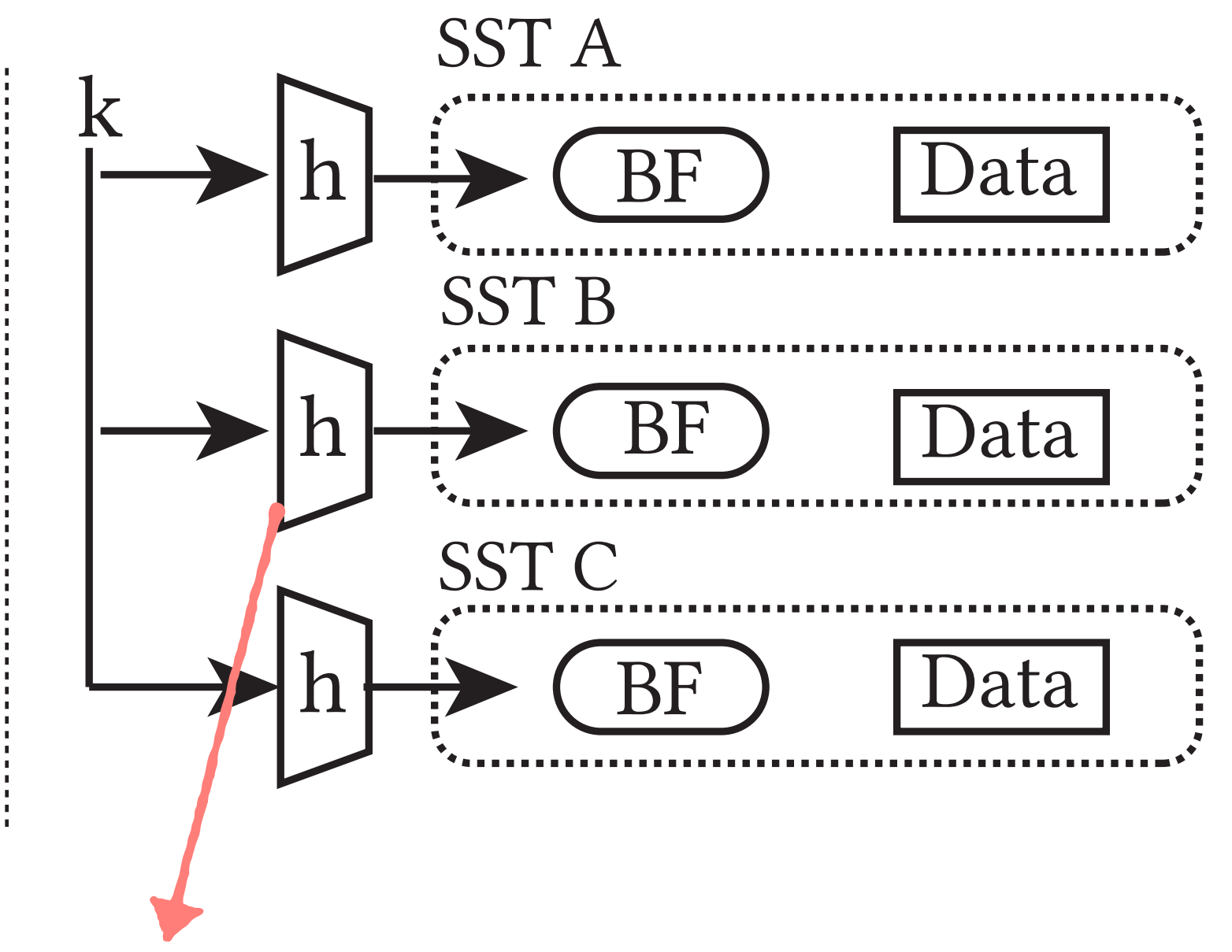
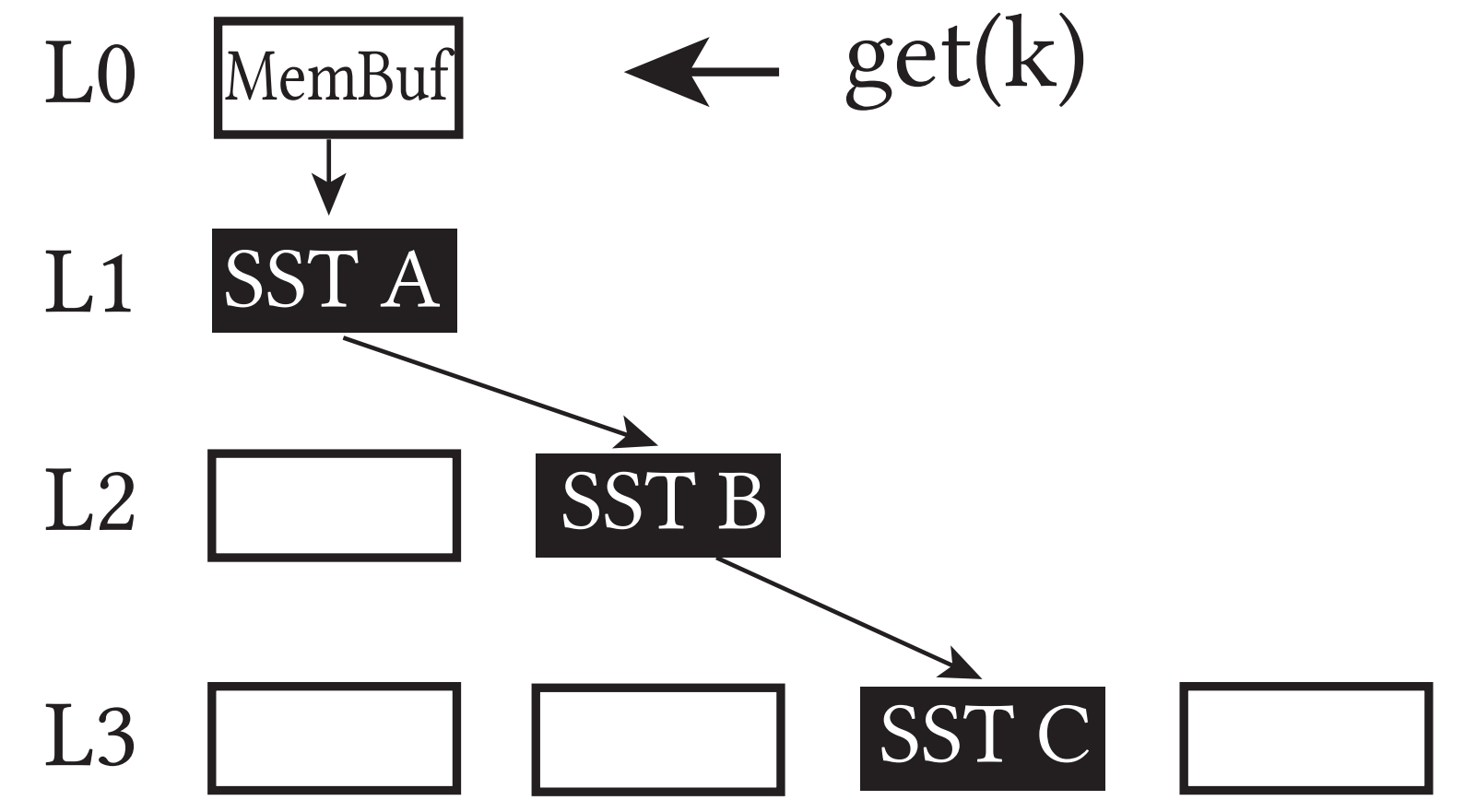
For every query ...



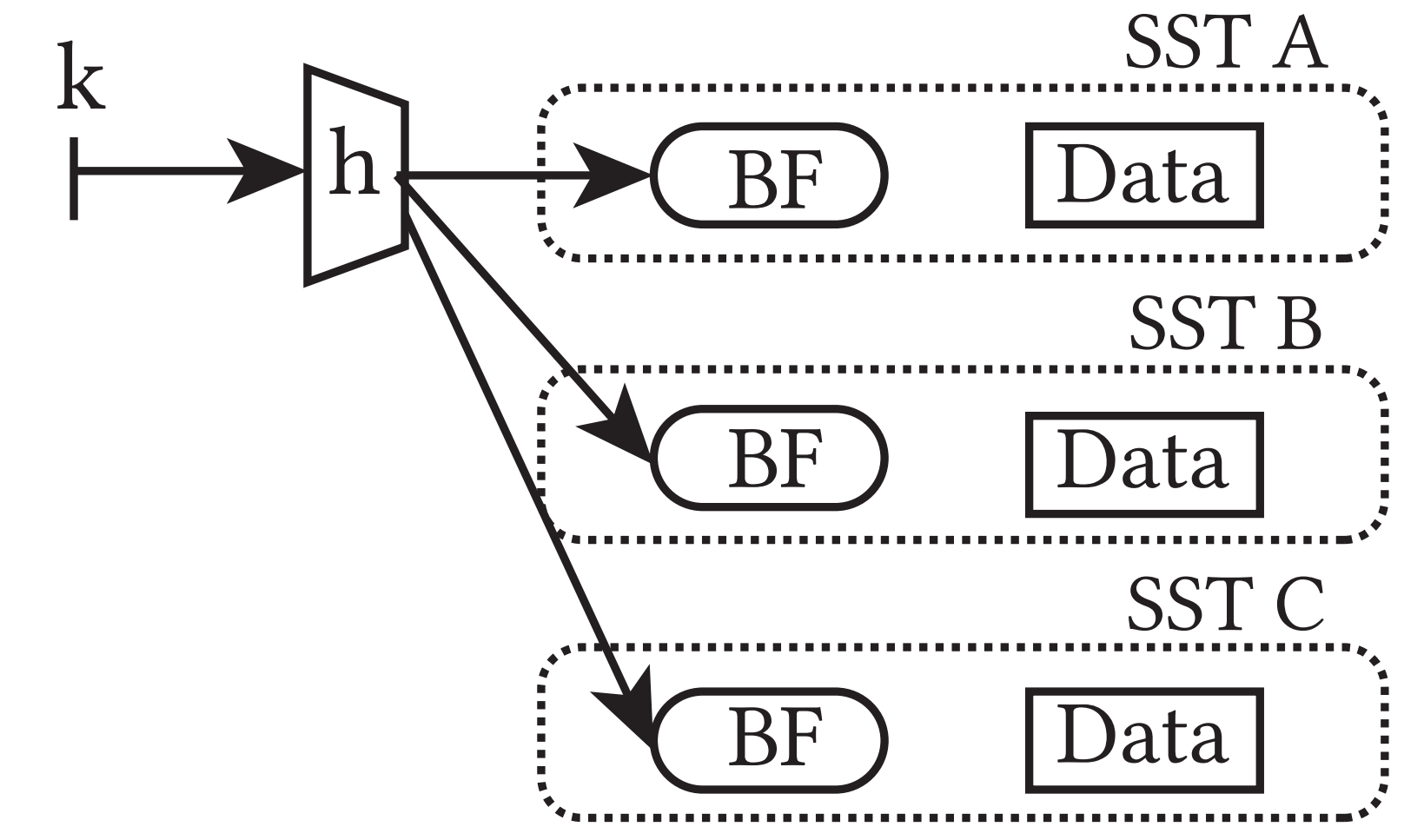
The same hash function is calculated **$O(L)$** times

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For every query ...



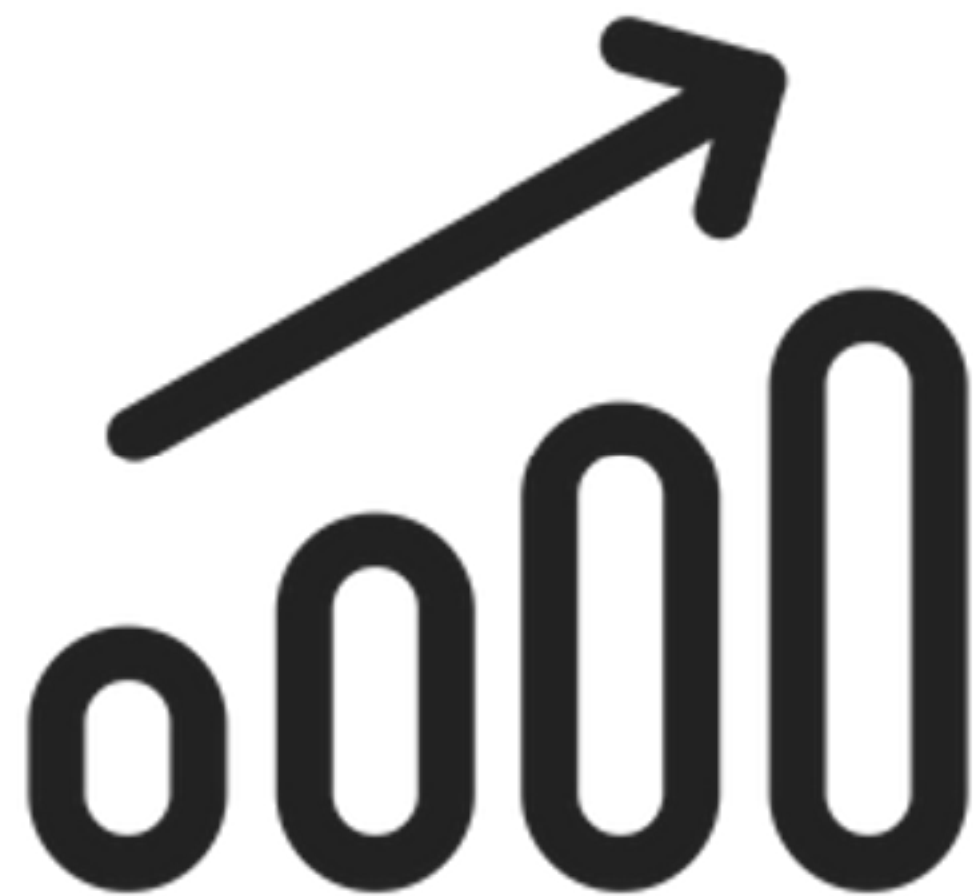
The same hash function is calculated **$O(L)$** times



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



Filters under **Memory Pressure**



data size ↑

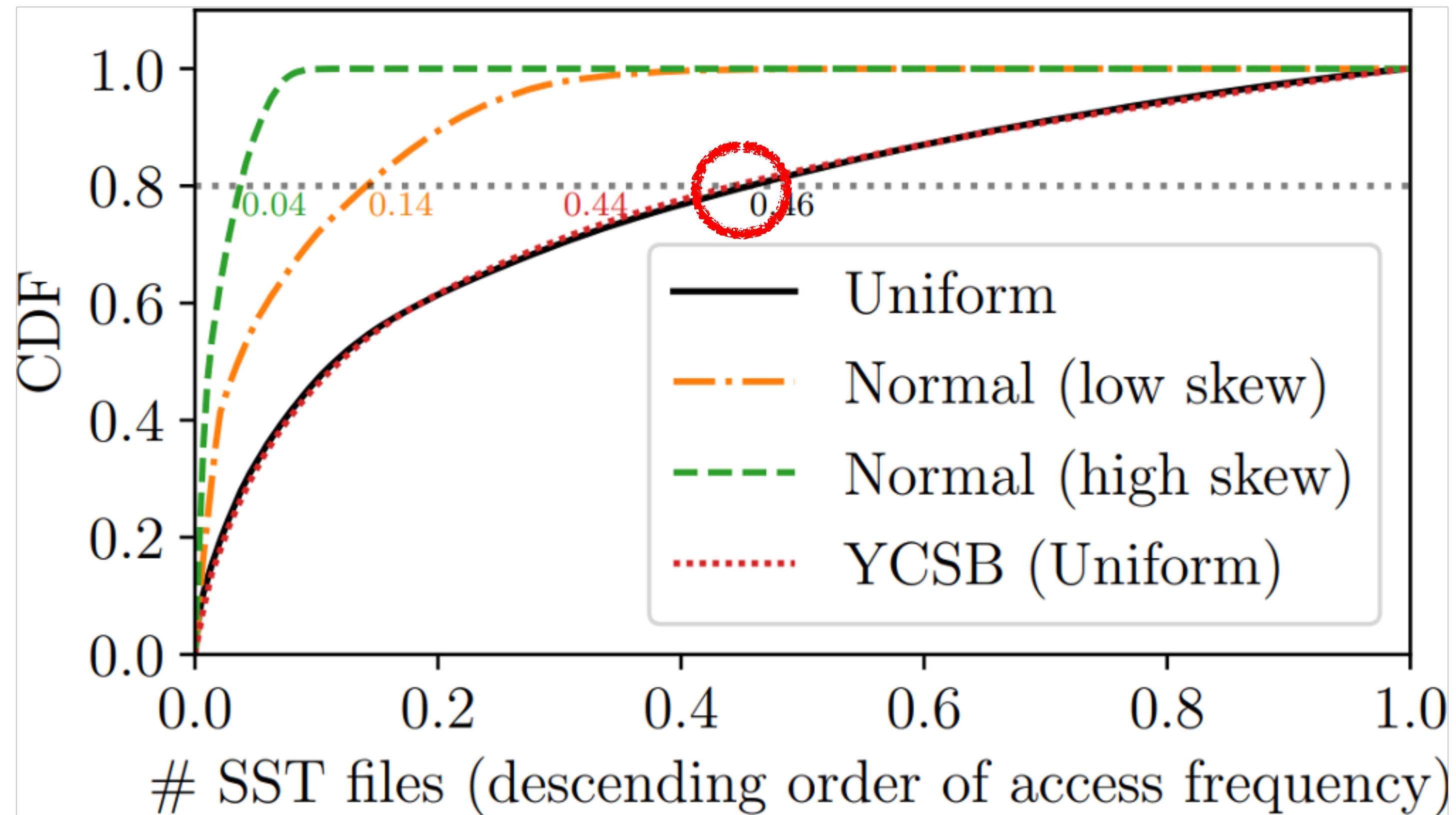
*for 1TB data,
1.3GB filter & 17.2GB index*

1KB entry, 64B key, BPK=10

price drop from 2010 to today

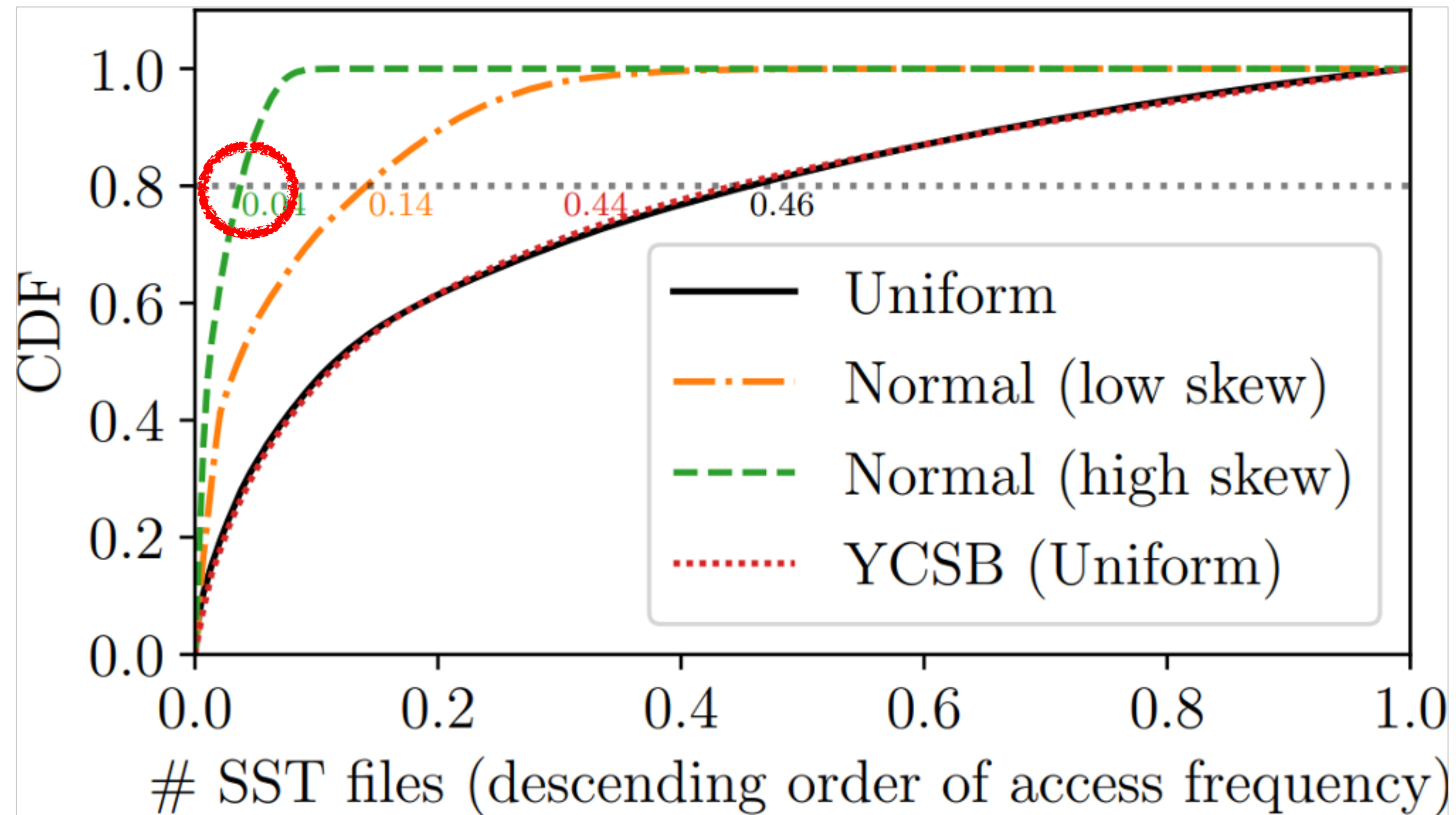
SSD: 60x DRAM: 10x

Filters under **Memory Pressure**



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

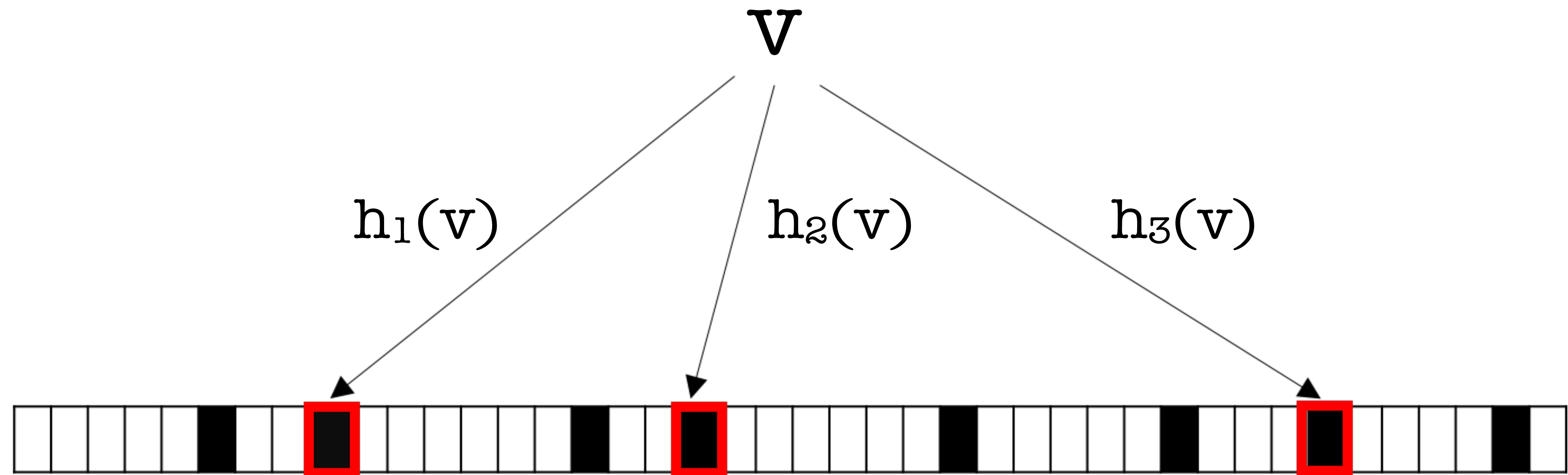
Filters under **Memory Pressure**



**For a skewed workload,
80% of the queries access less than 5% of the files**

Filters under **Memory Pressure**

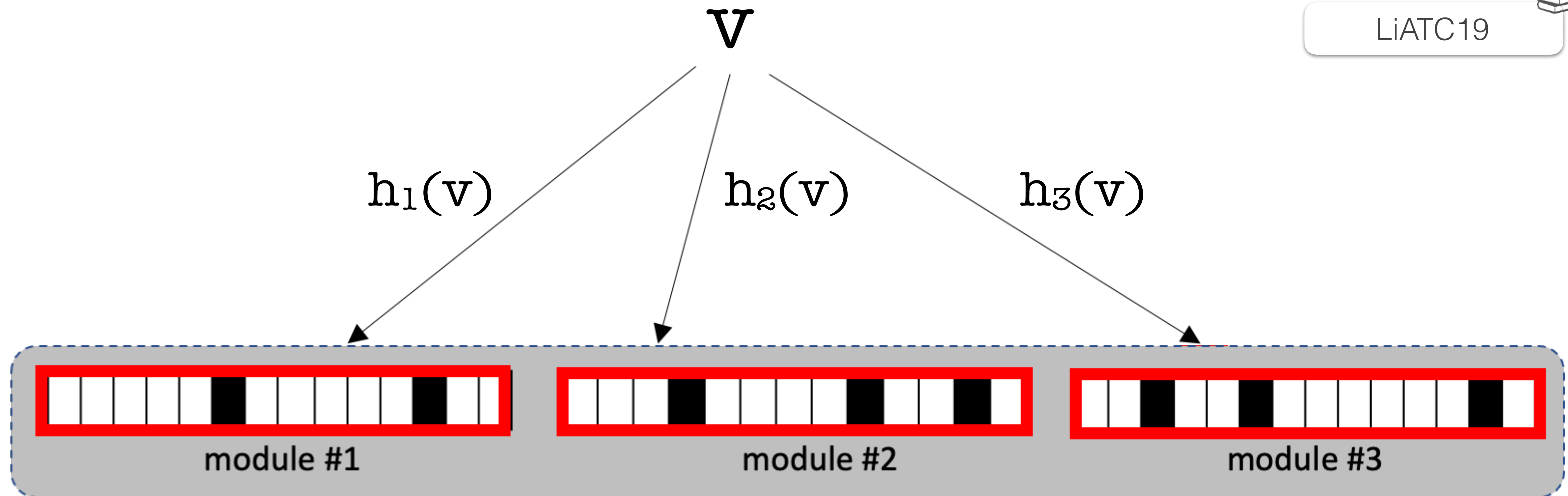
MunADMS22



Filters under **Memory Pressure**

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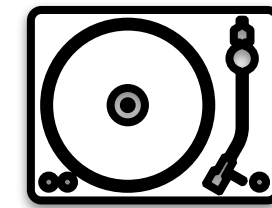
LiATC19



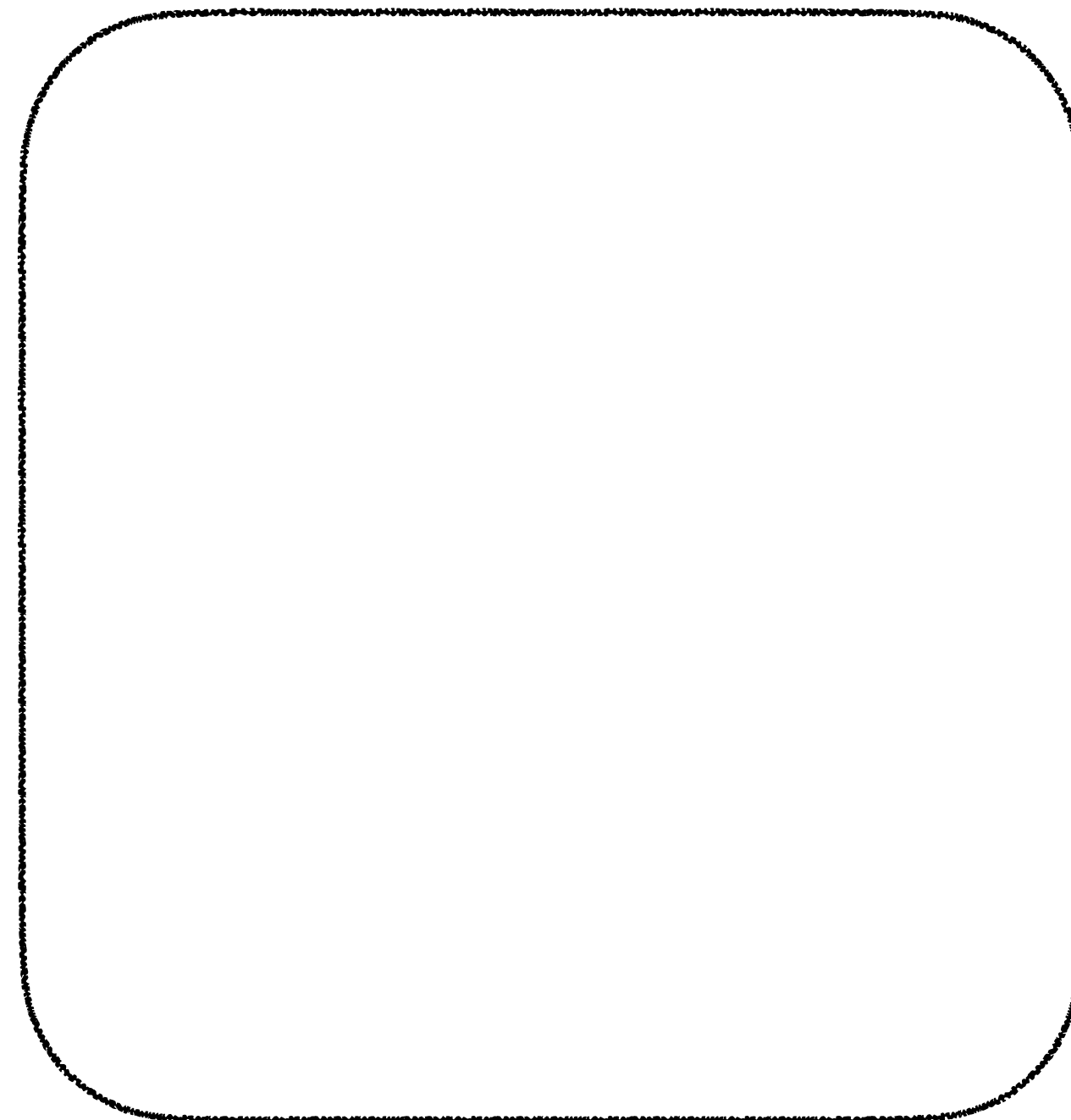
Modular Bloom filter is a collection of smaller Bloom filters

Elastic Bloom filter also works based on the same principle

Filters under **Memory Pressure**

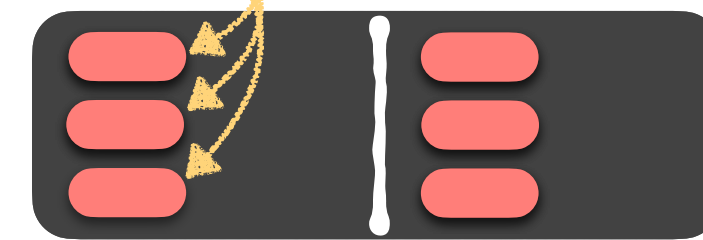


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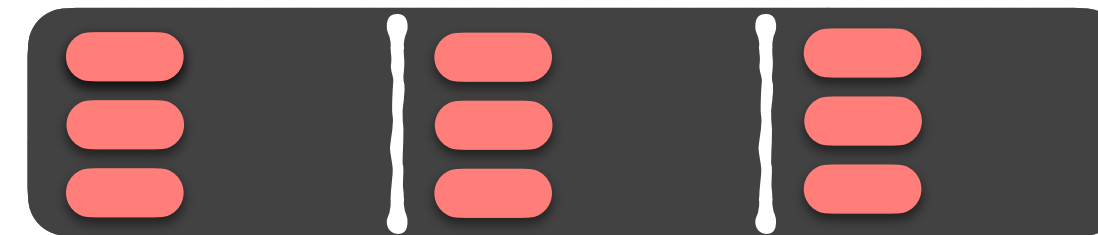


modules

L1



L2



L3

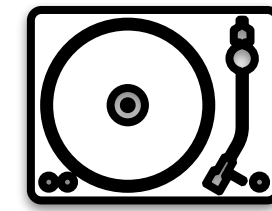


L4

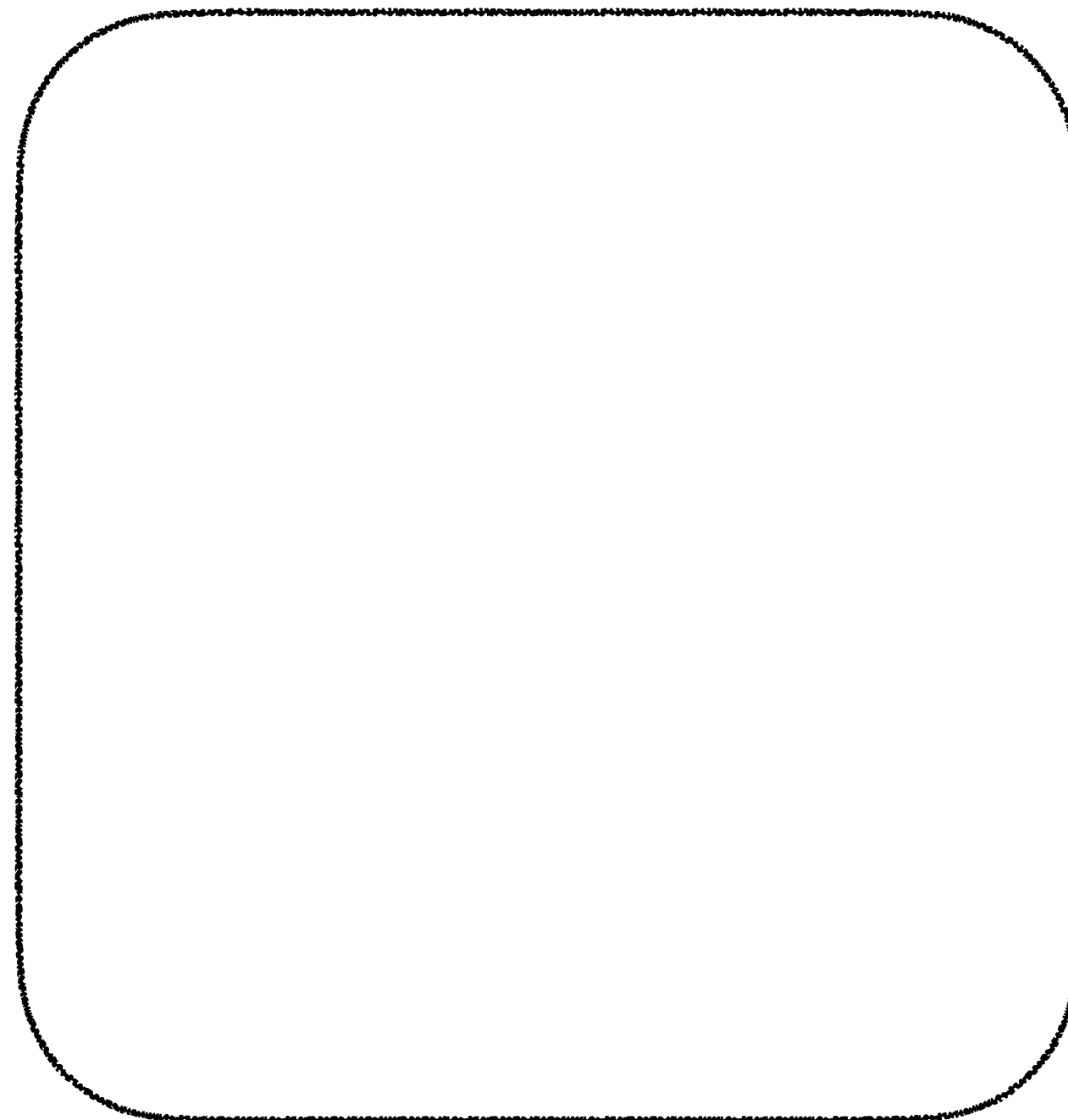


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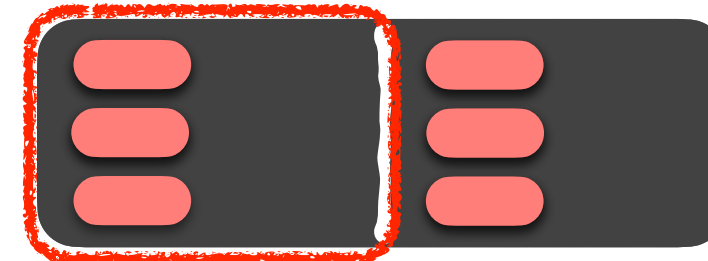
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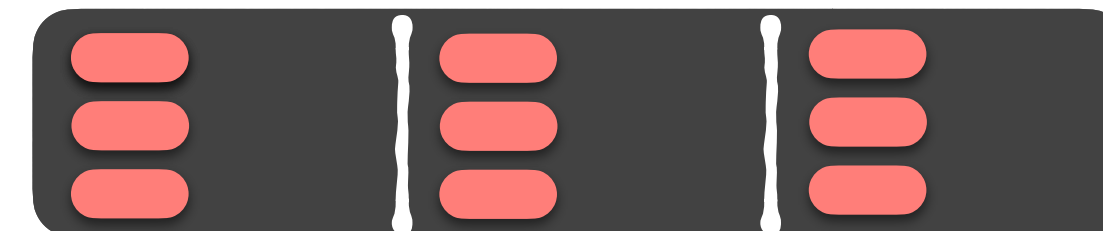
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L1



L2



L3

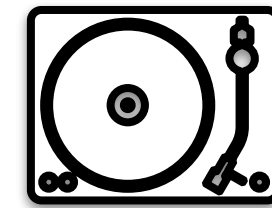


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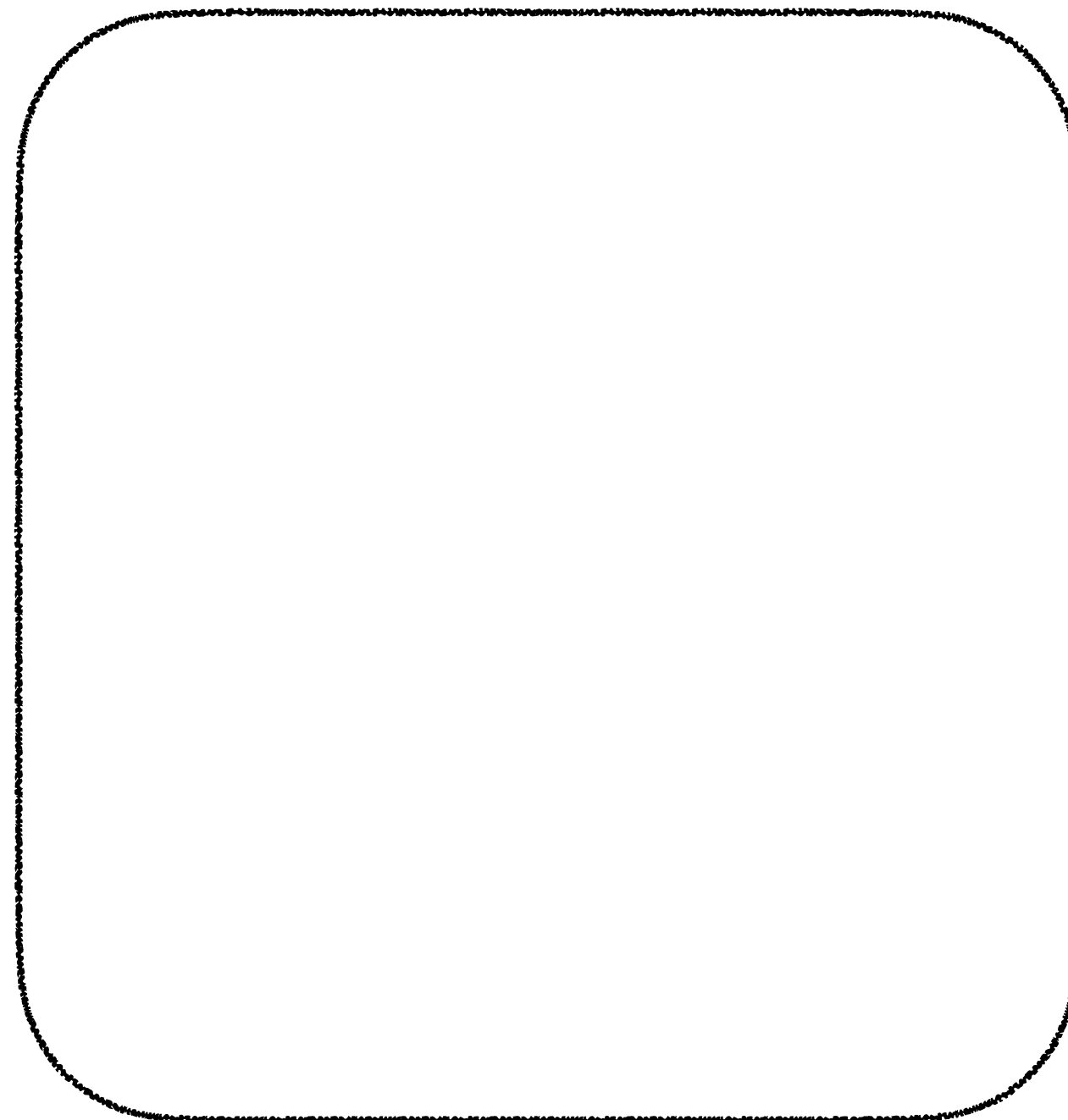


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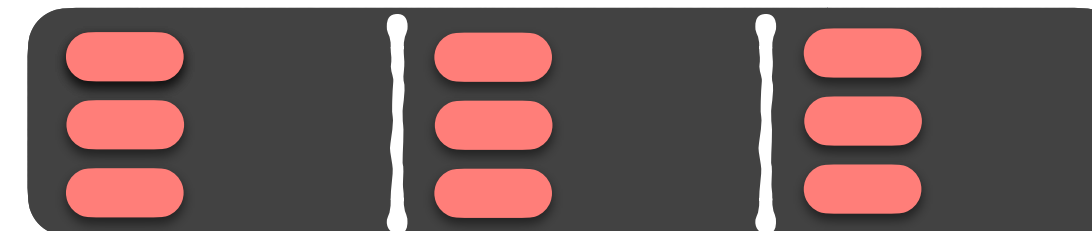
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L1



L2



L3

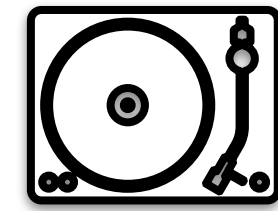


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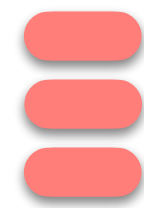


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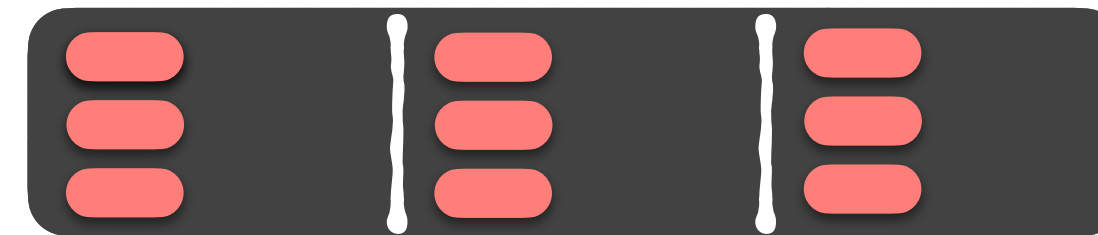
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L1



L2



L3

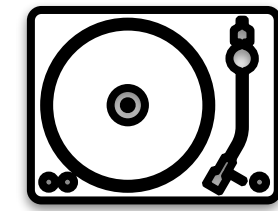


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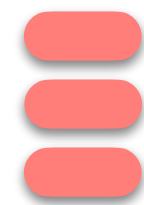


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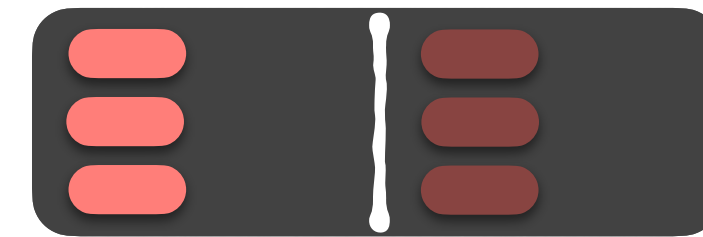
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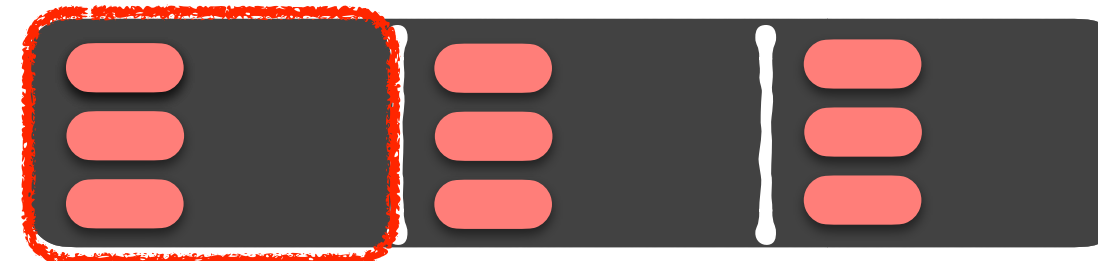
buffer



L1



L2



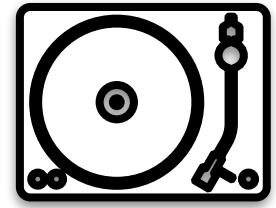
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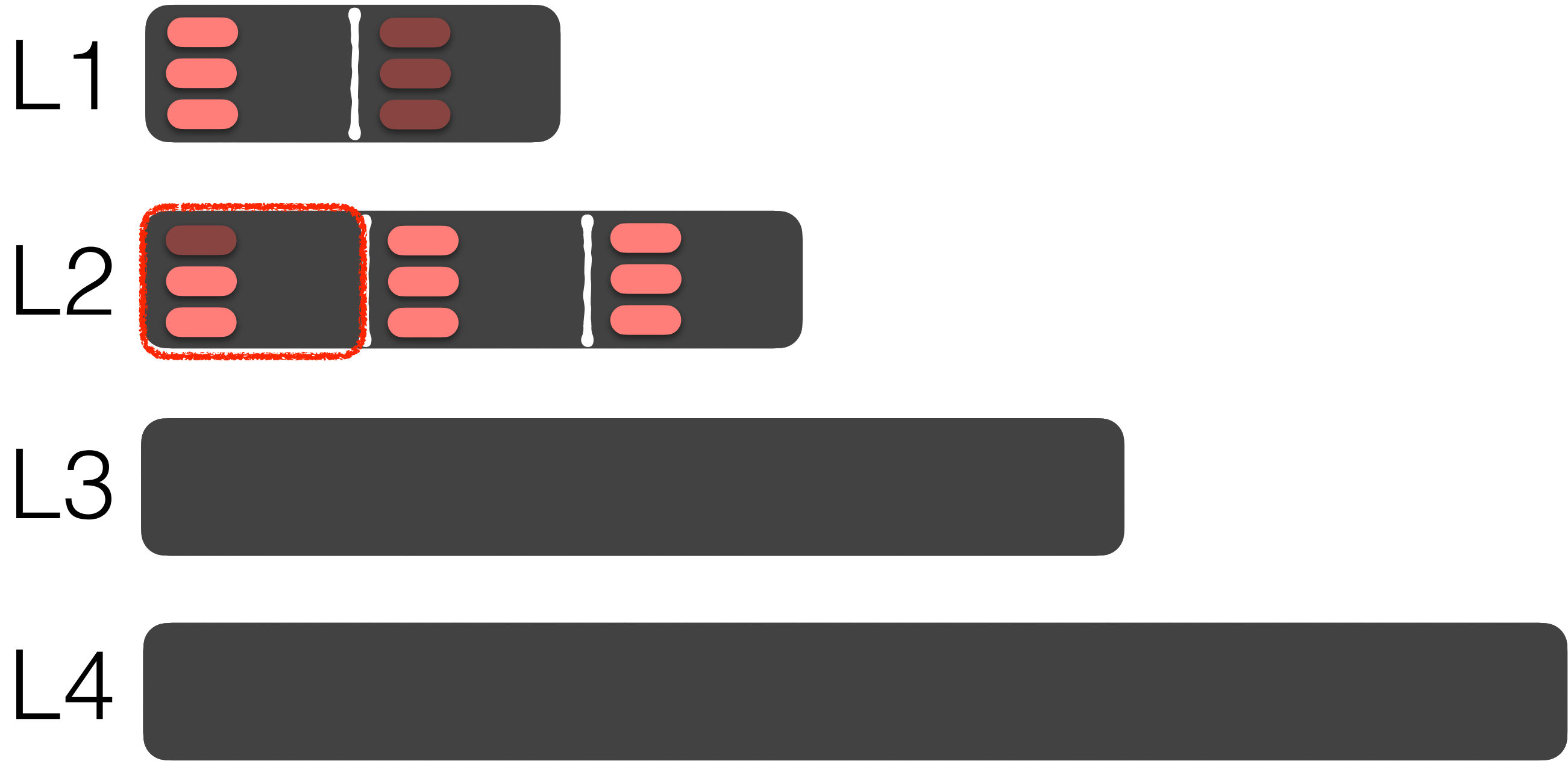
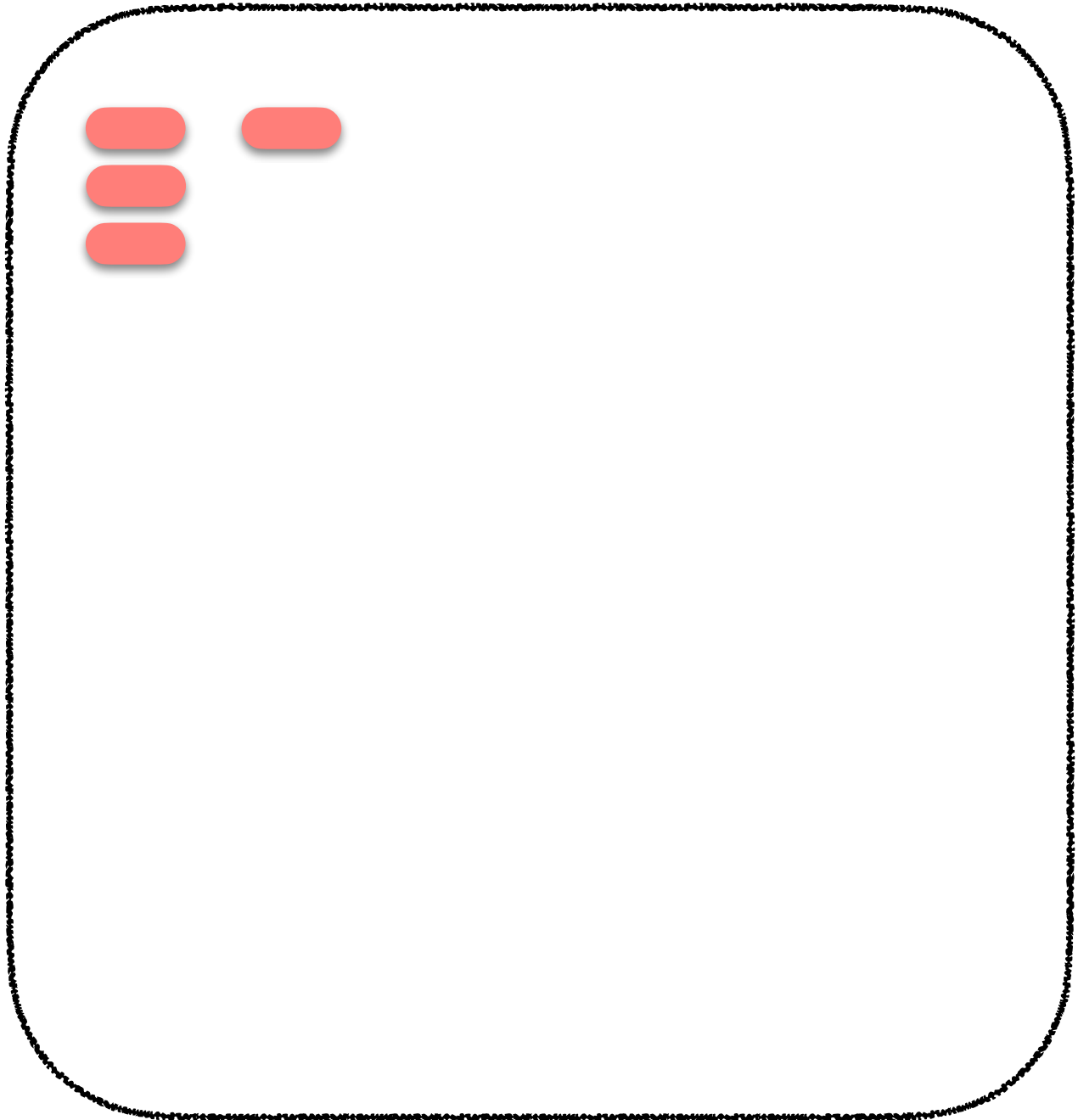
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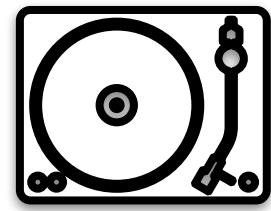


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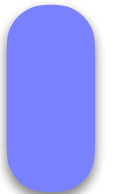



Overall, better performance with smaller memory budget

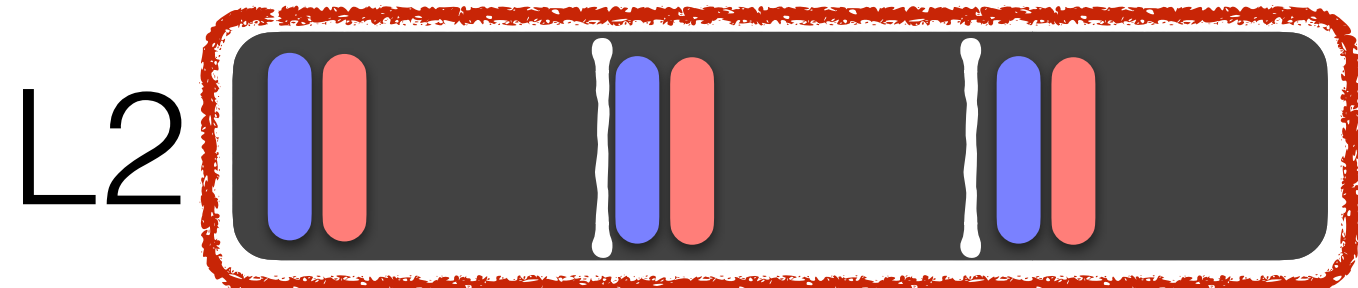
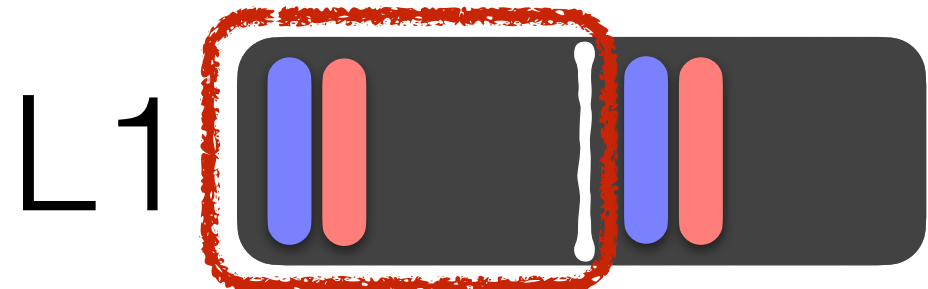
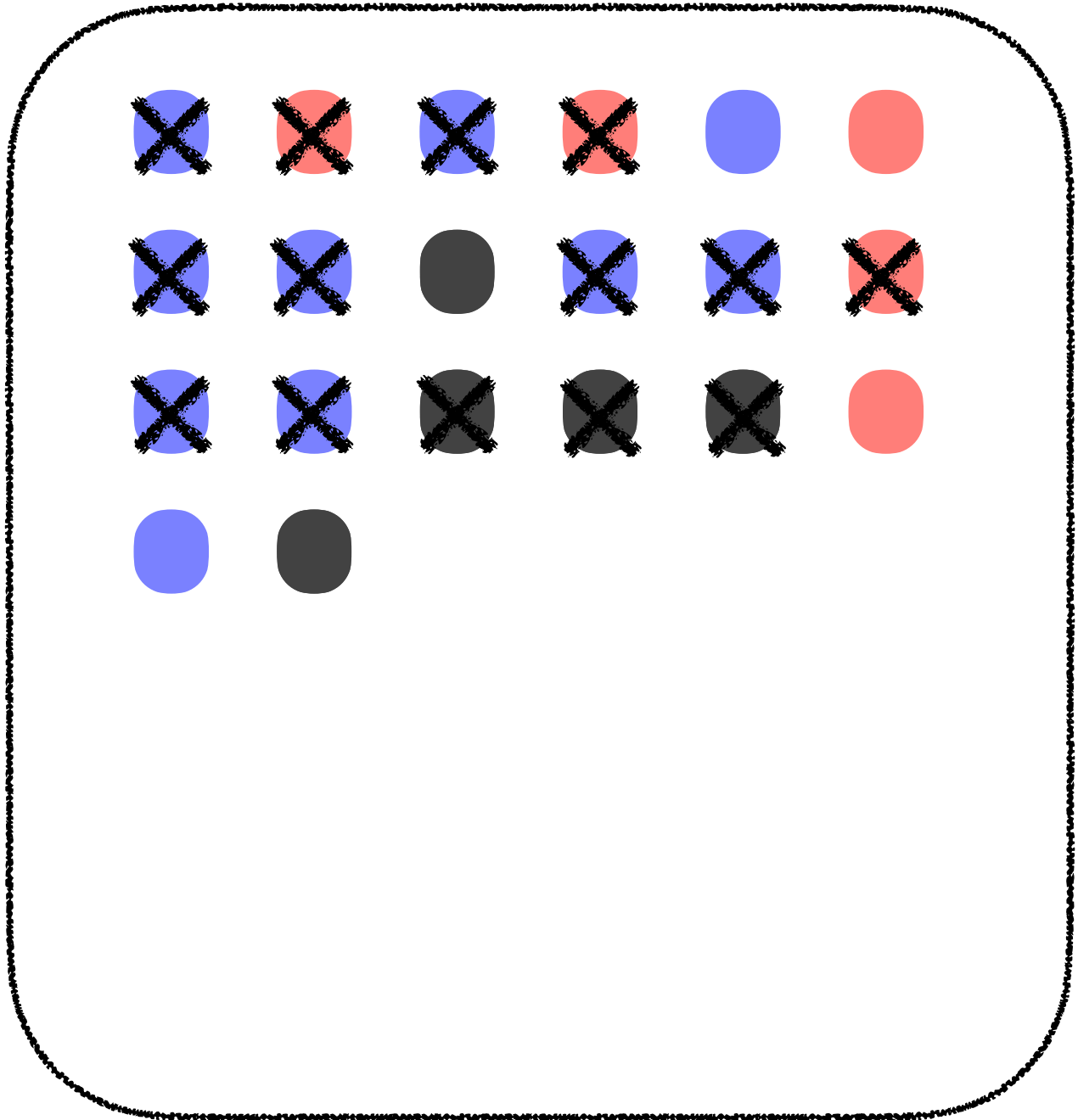
Compactions and Caching



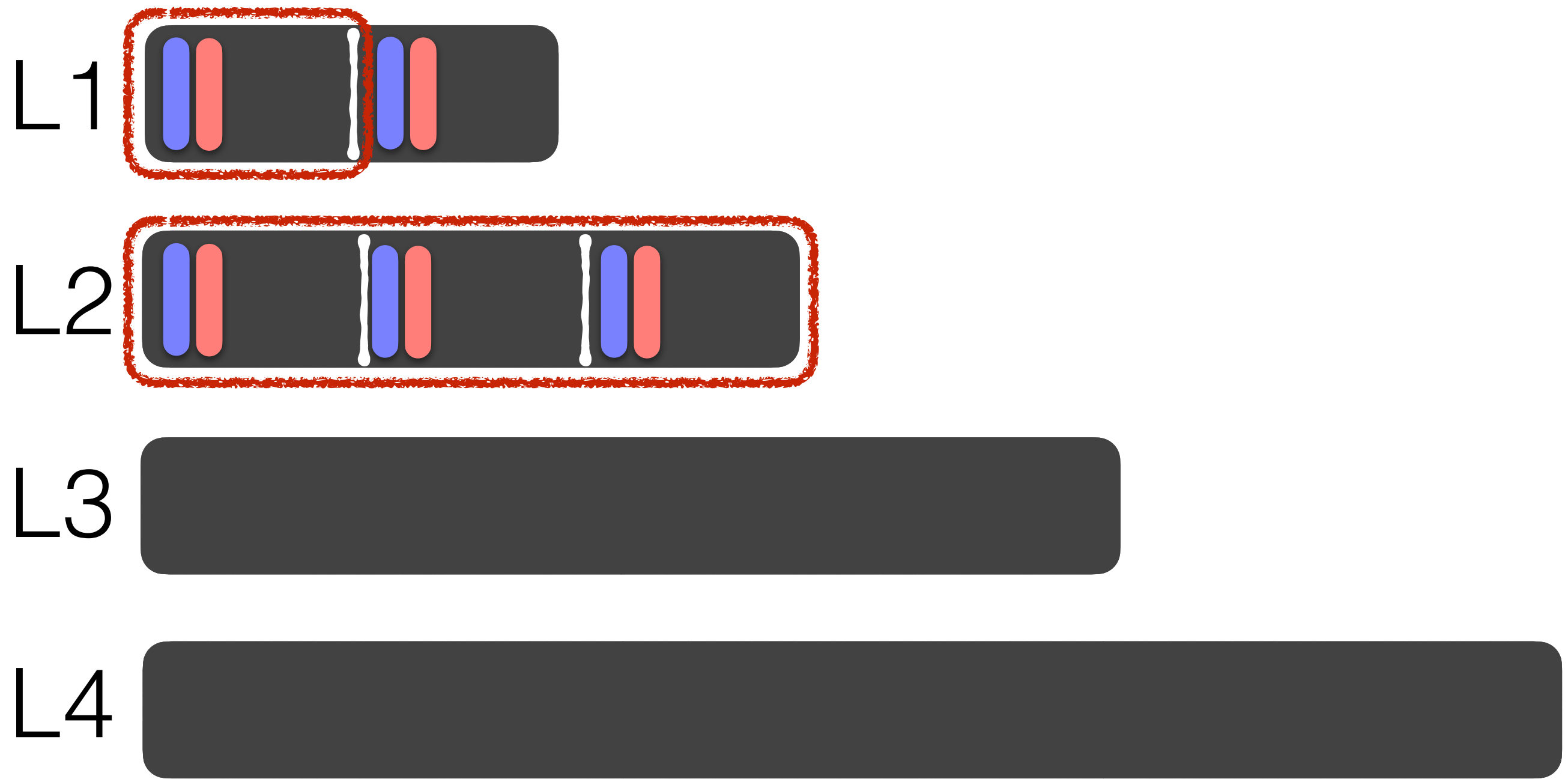
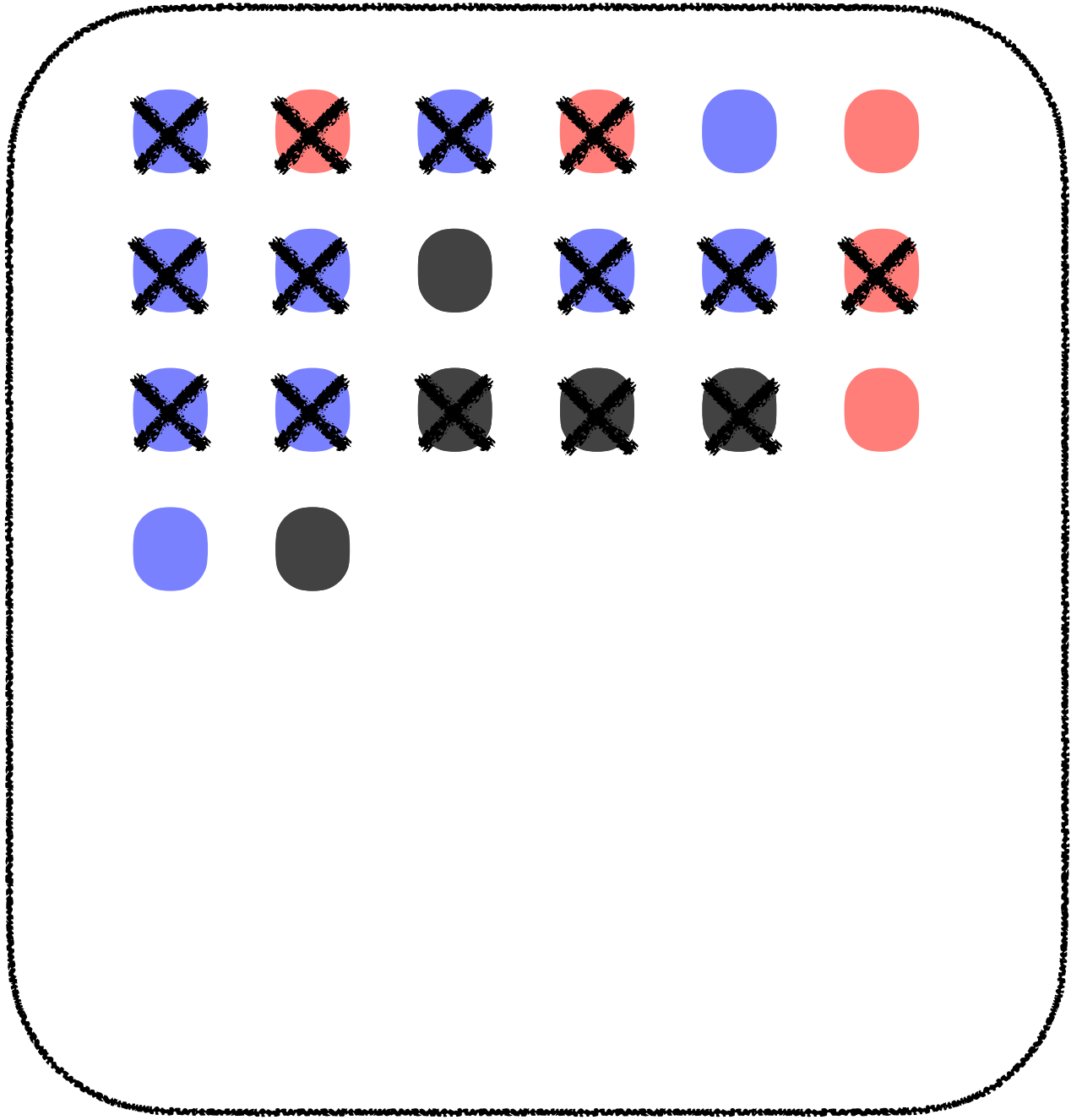
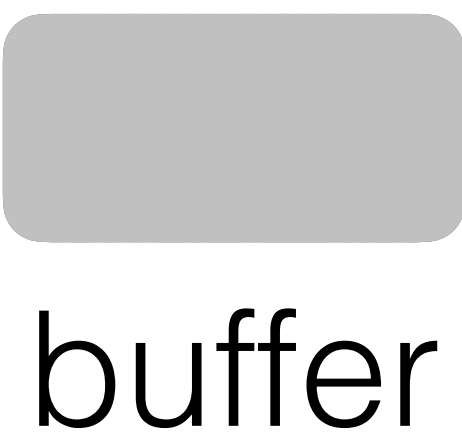
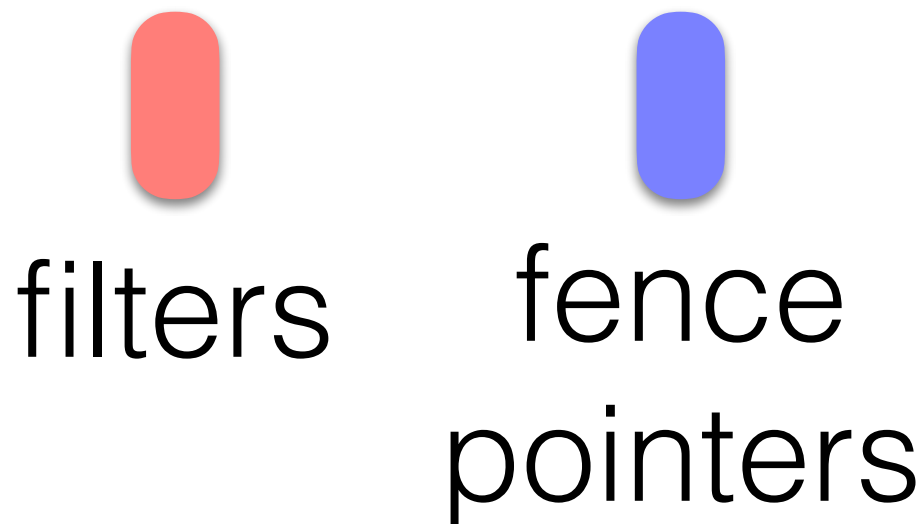

filters


fence
pointers


buffer



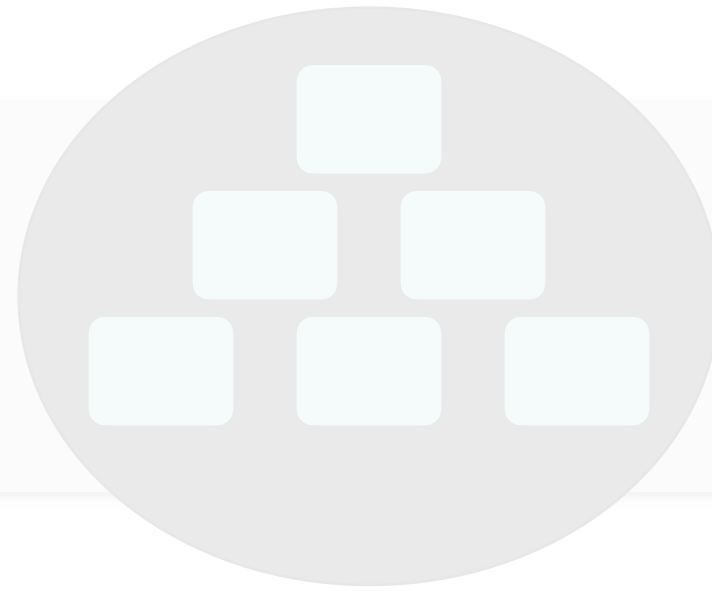
Compactions and Caching



Leaper : A learned pre-fetcher that improves reads

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Part 2: **Read Optimizations in LSMs**



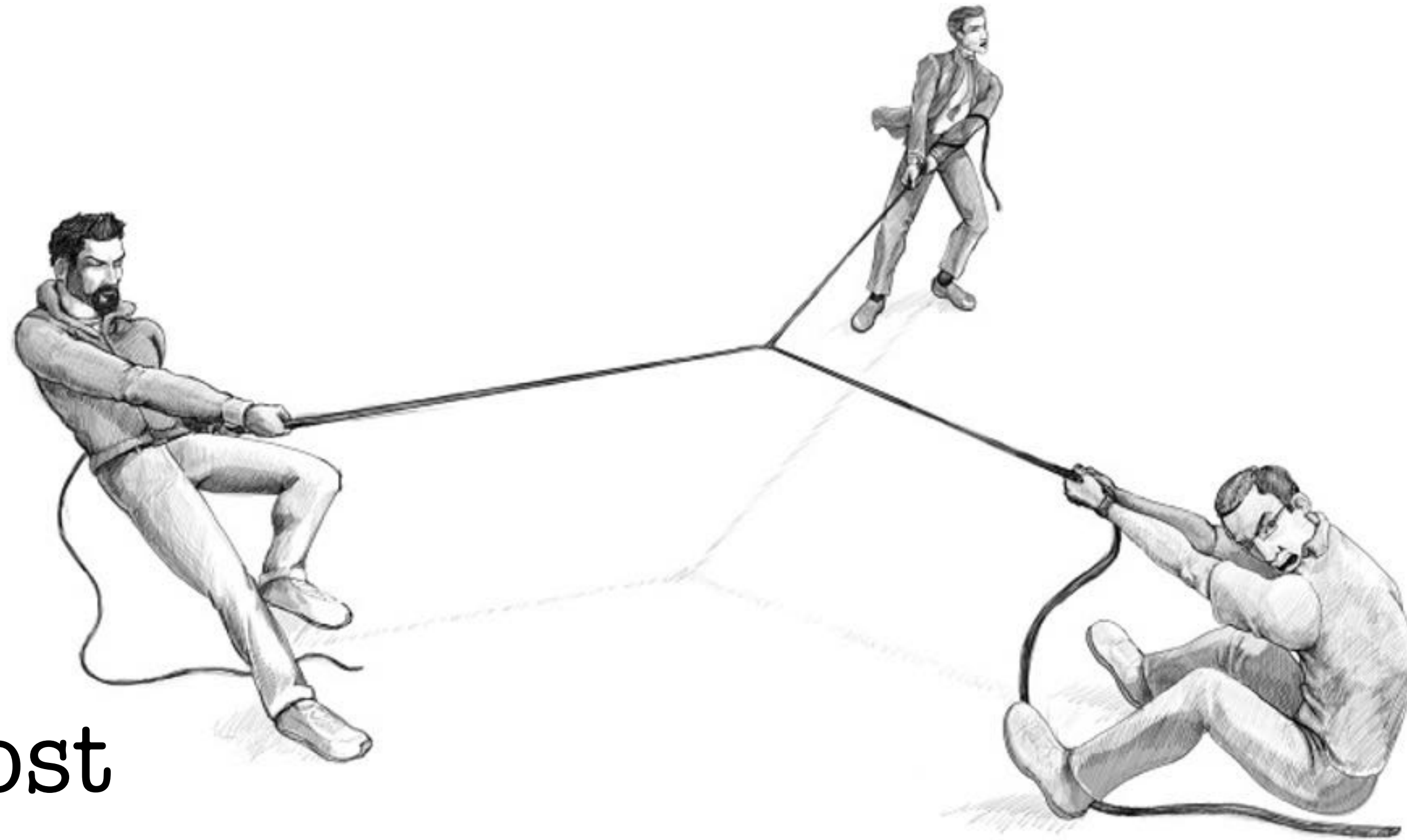
Part 3: **Navigating the LSM Design Space**



LSM **Design Space**

LSM Design Space

Update cost



Read cost

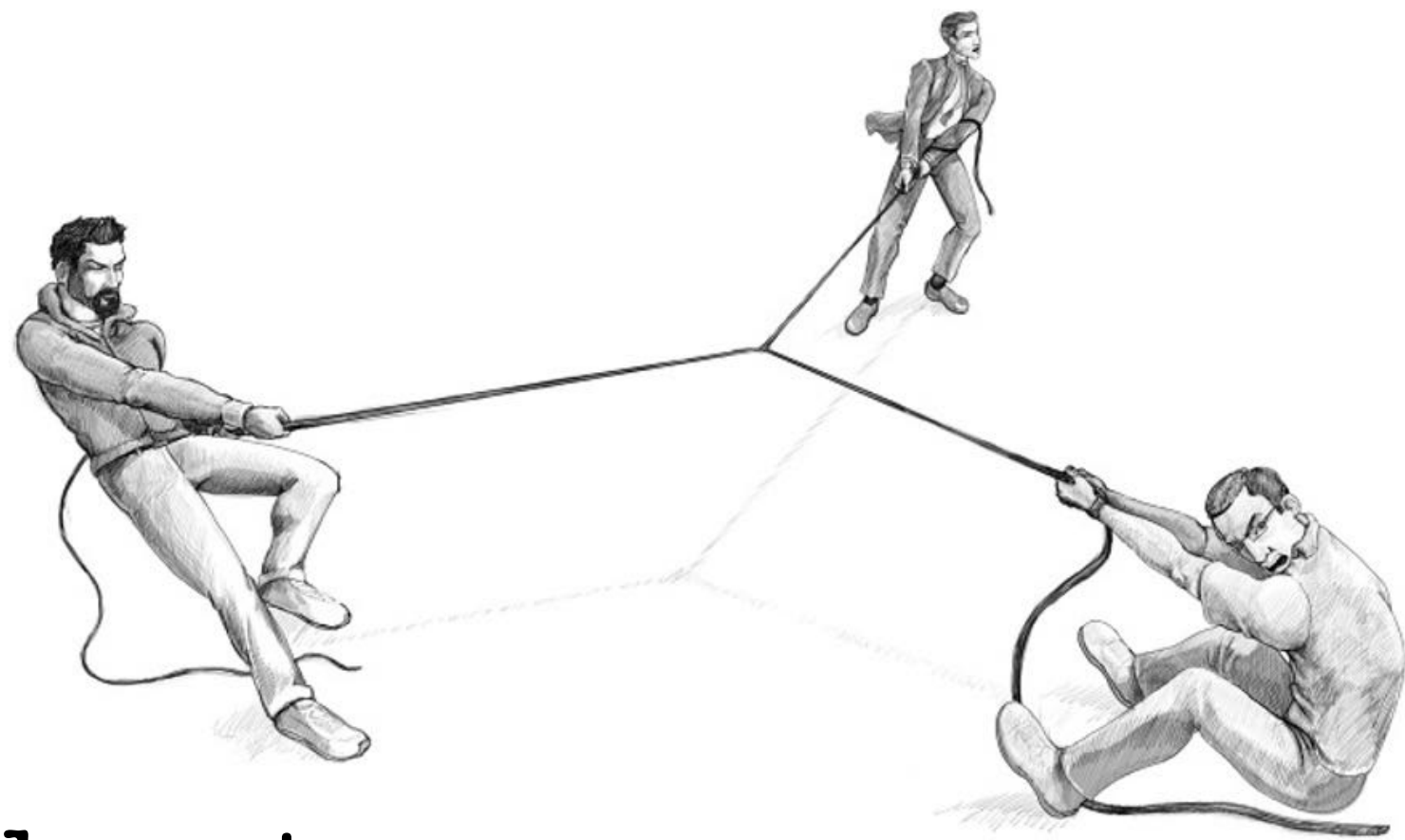
Memory/space footprint



LSM Design Space

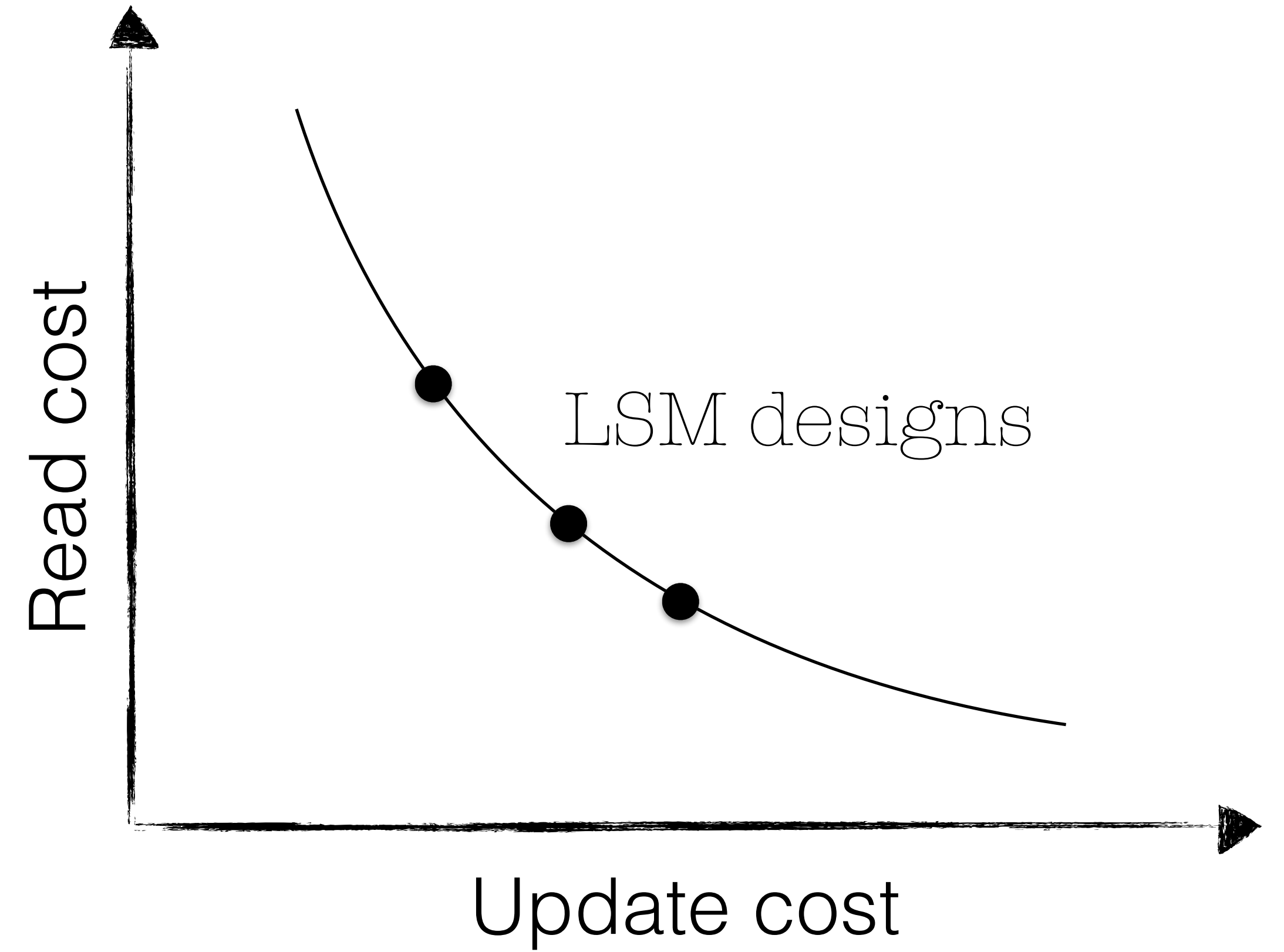
fixed Memory

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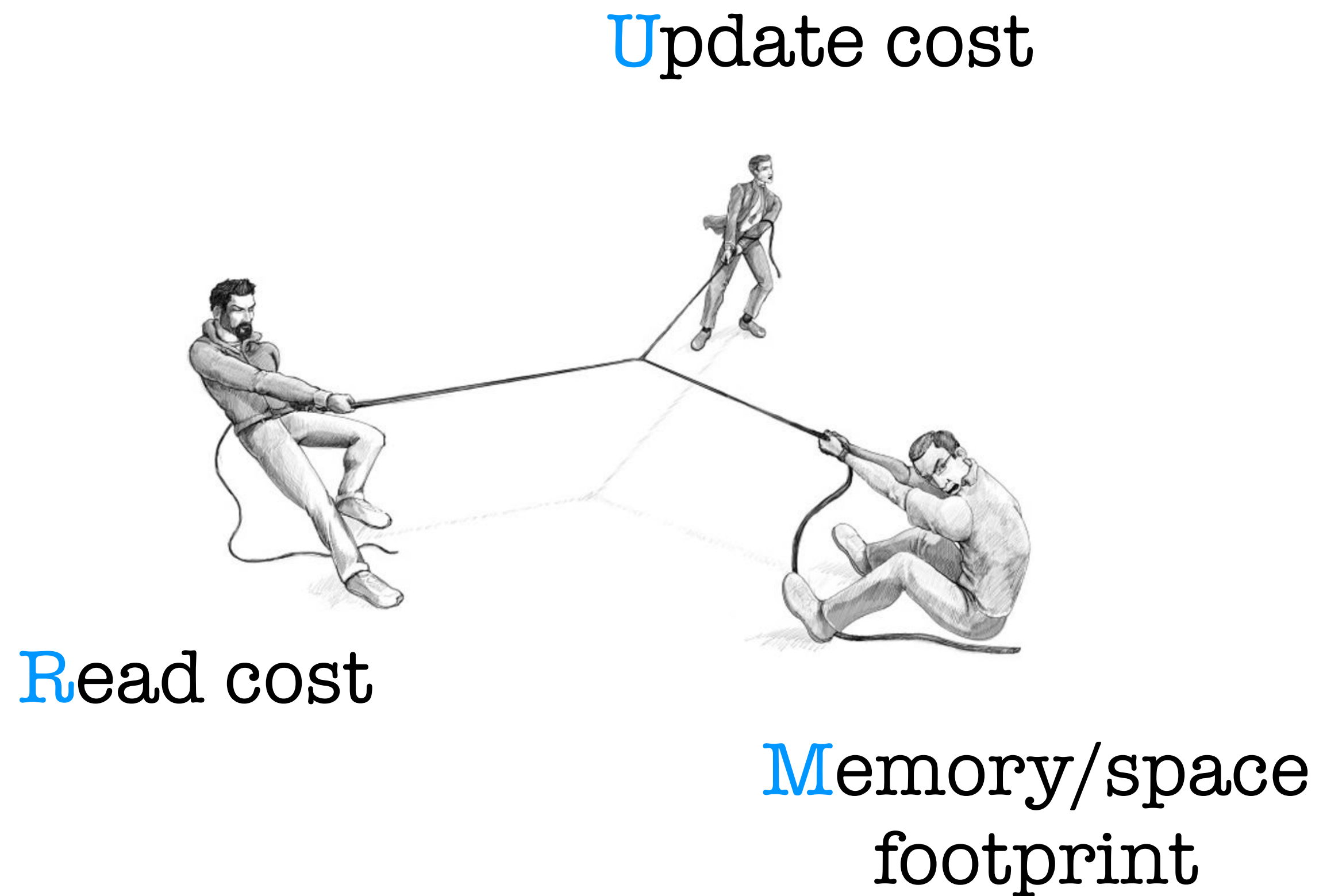


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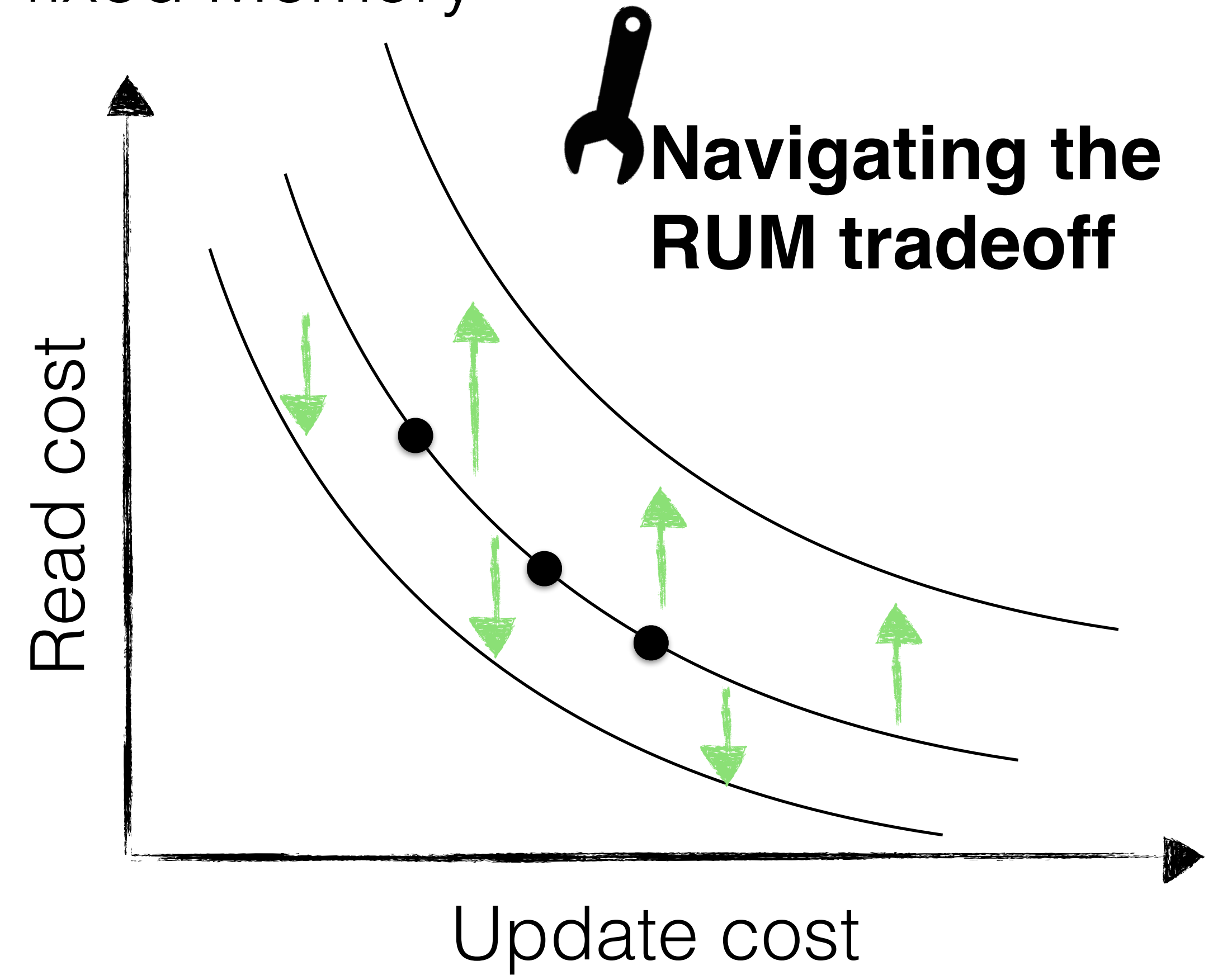
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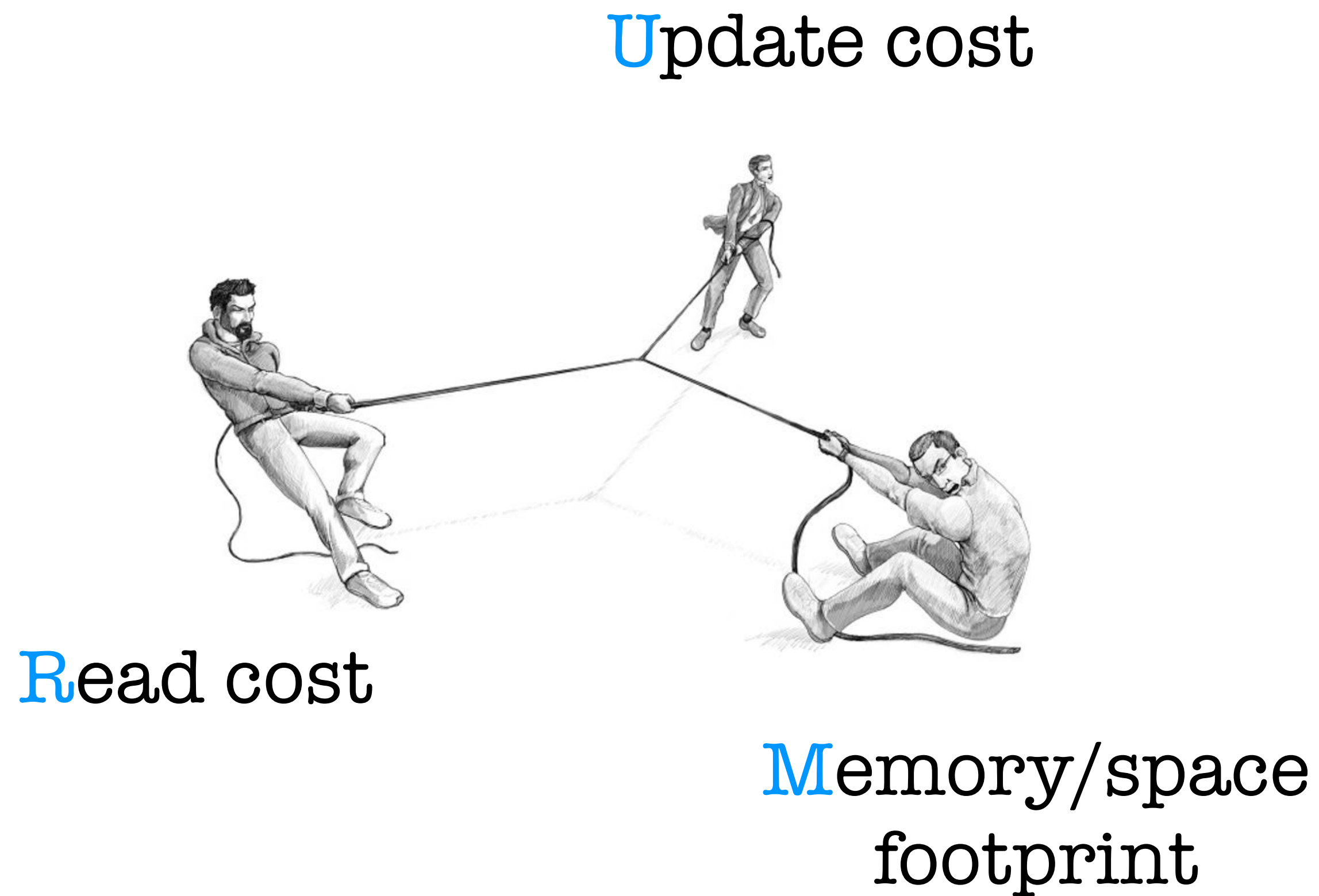
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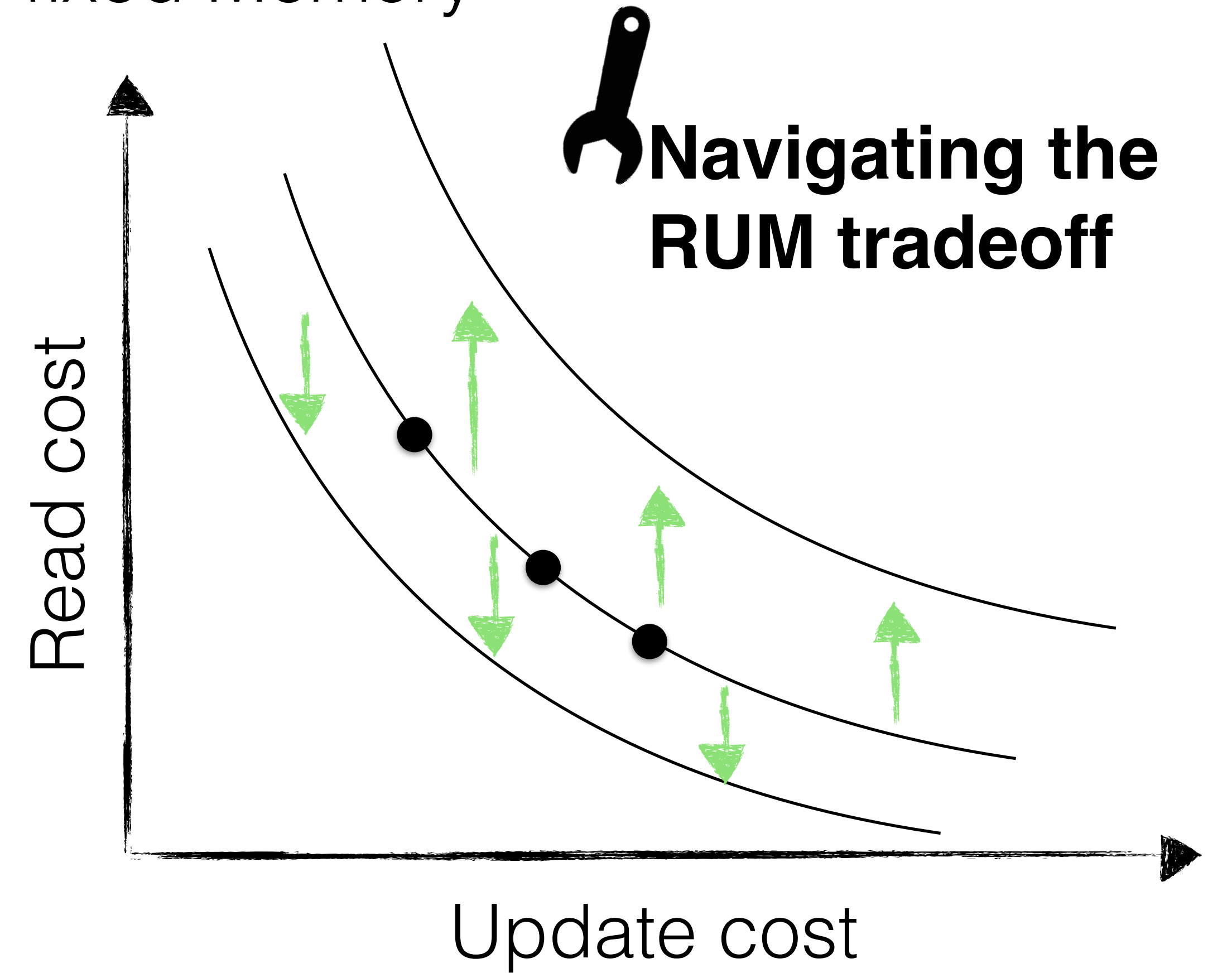
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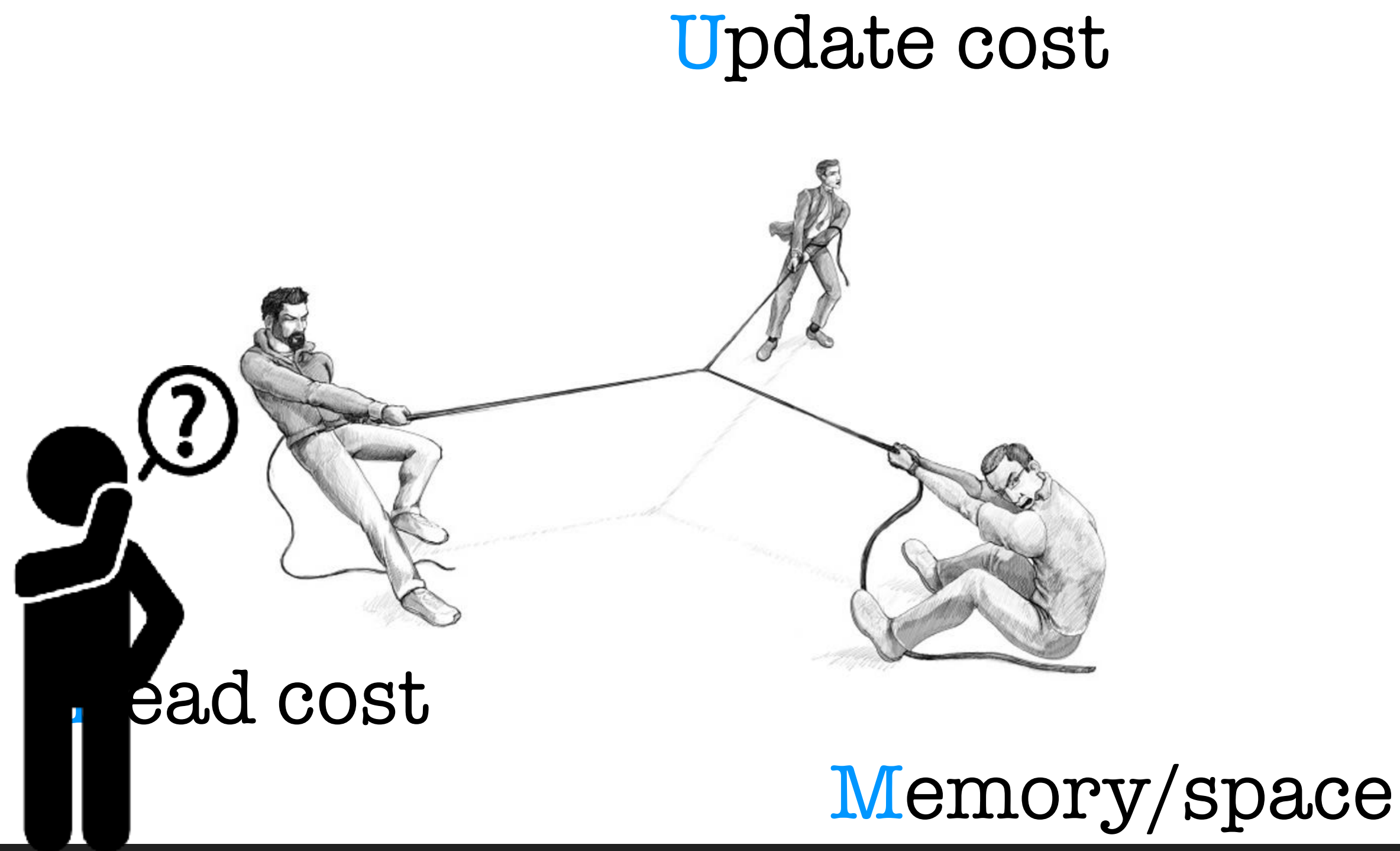
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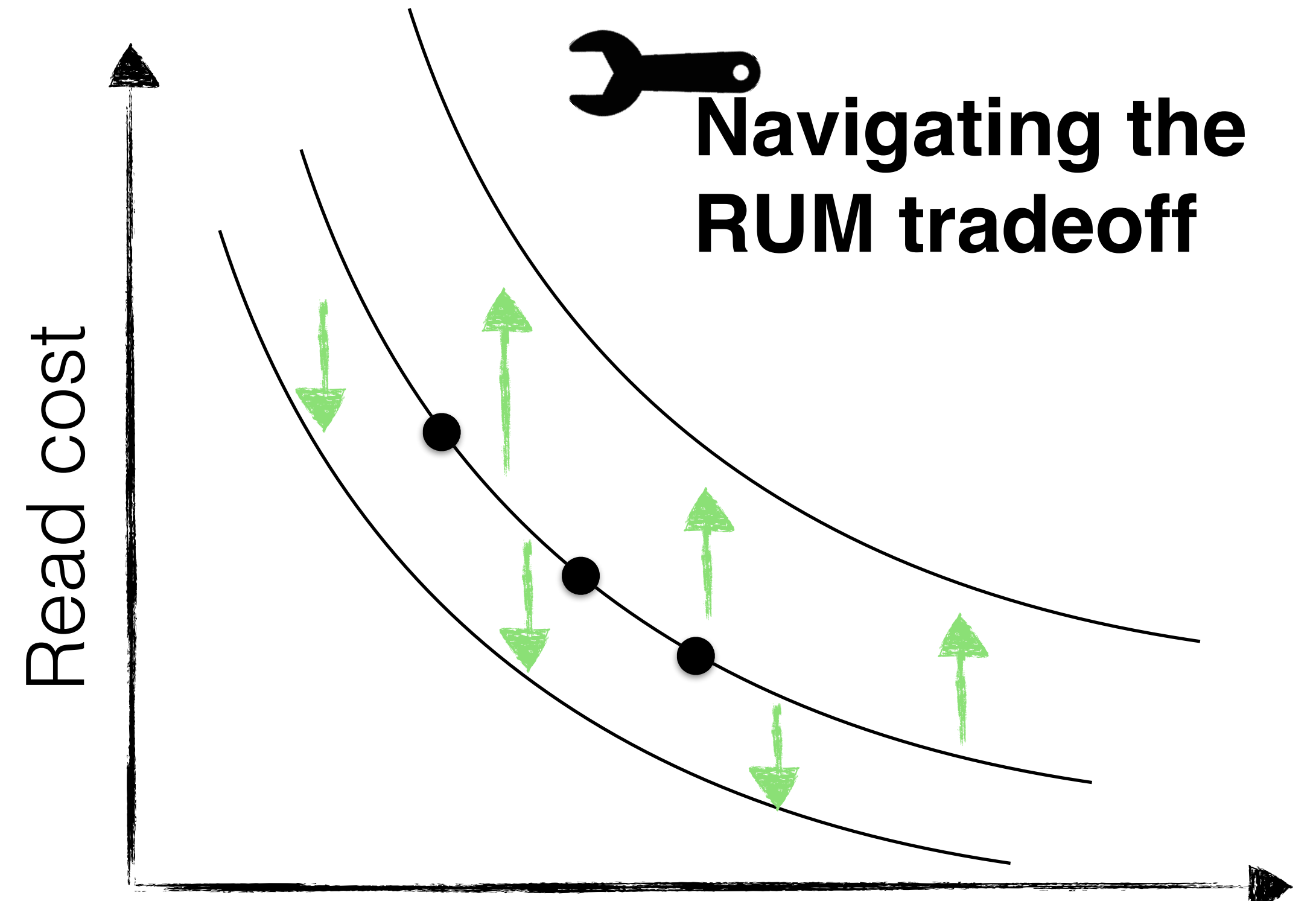
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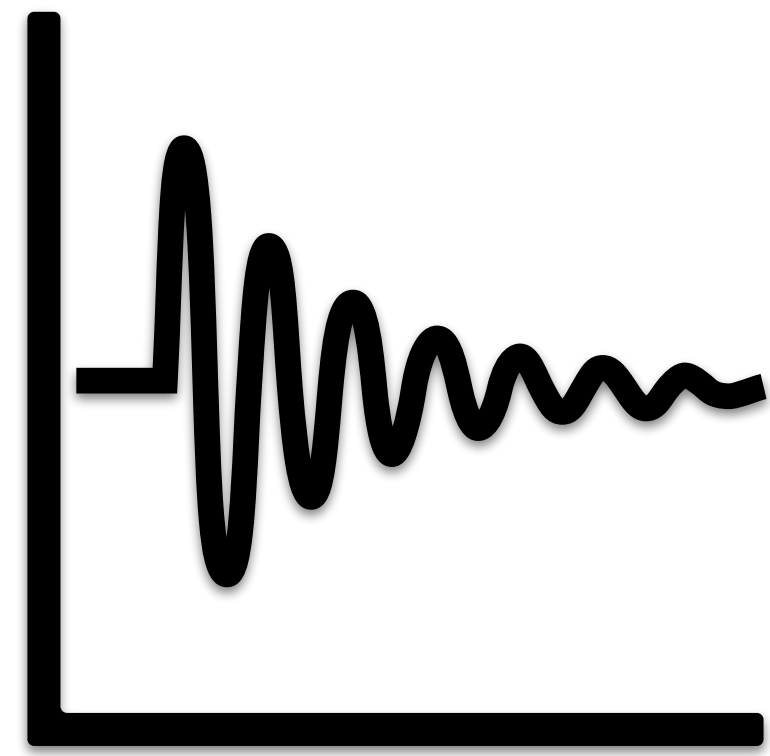
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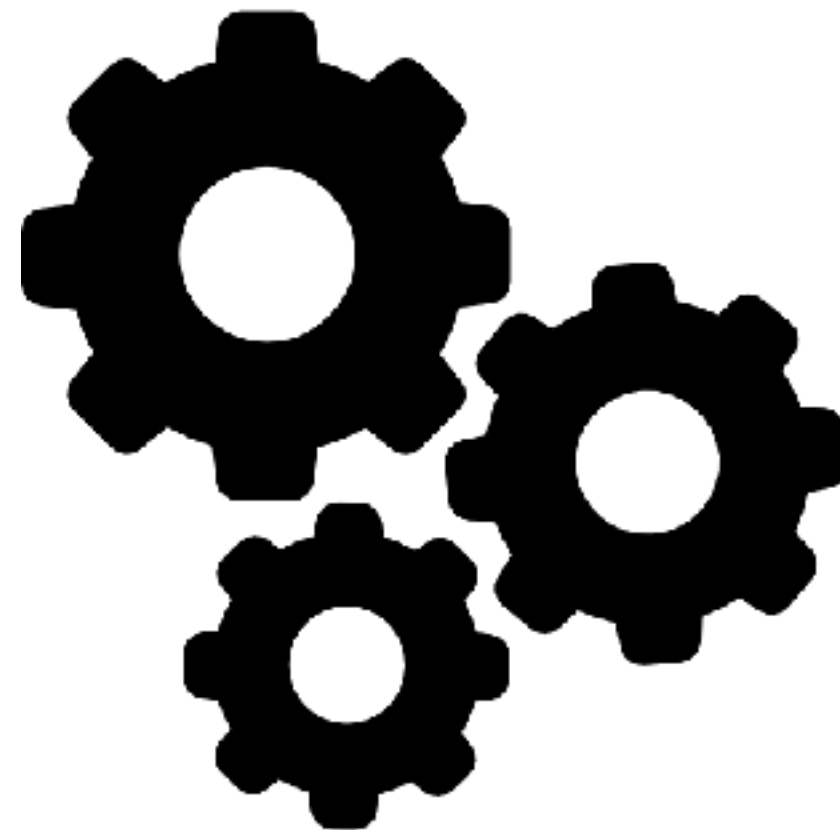
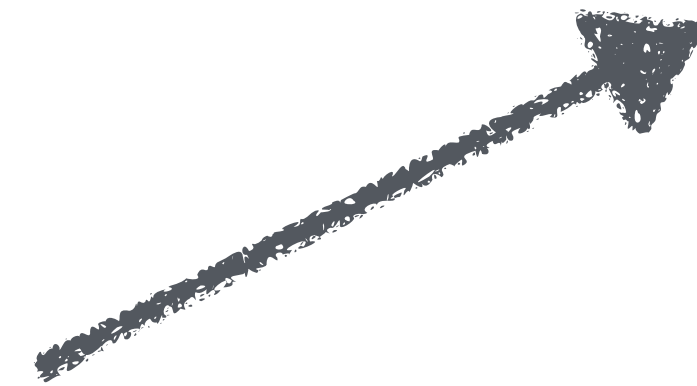
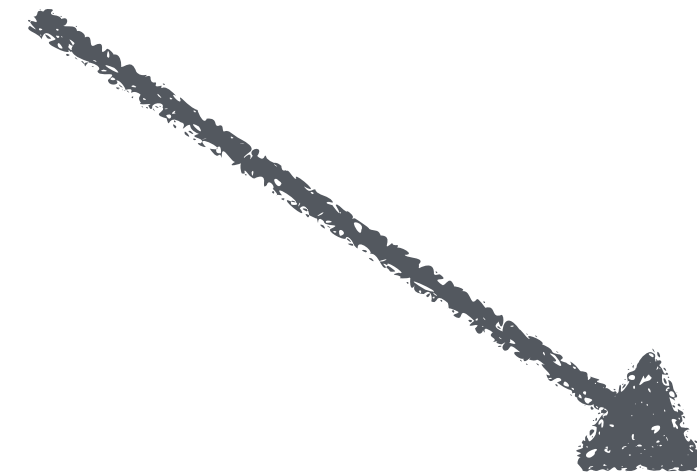
How to optimally allocate the available memory?



workload



memory
budget

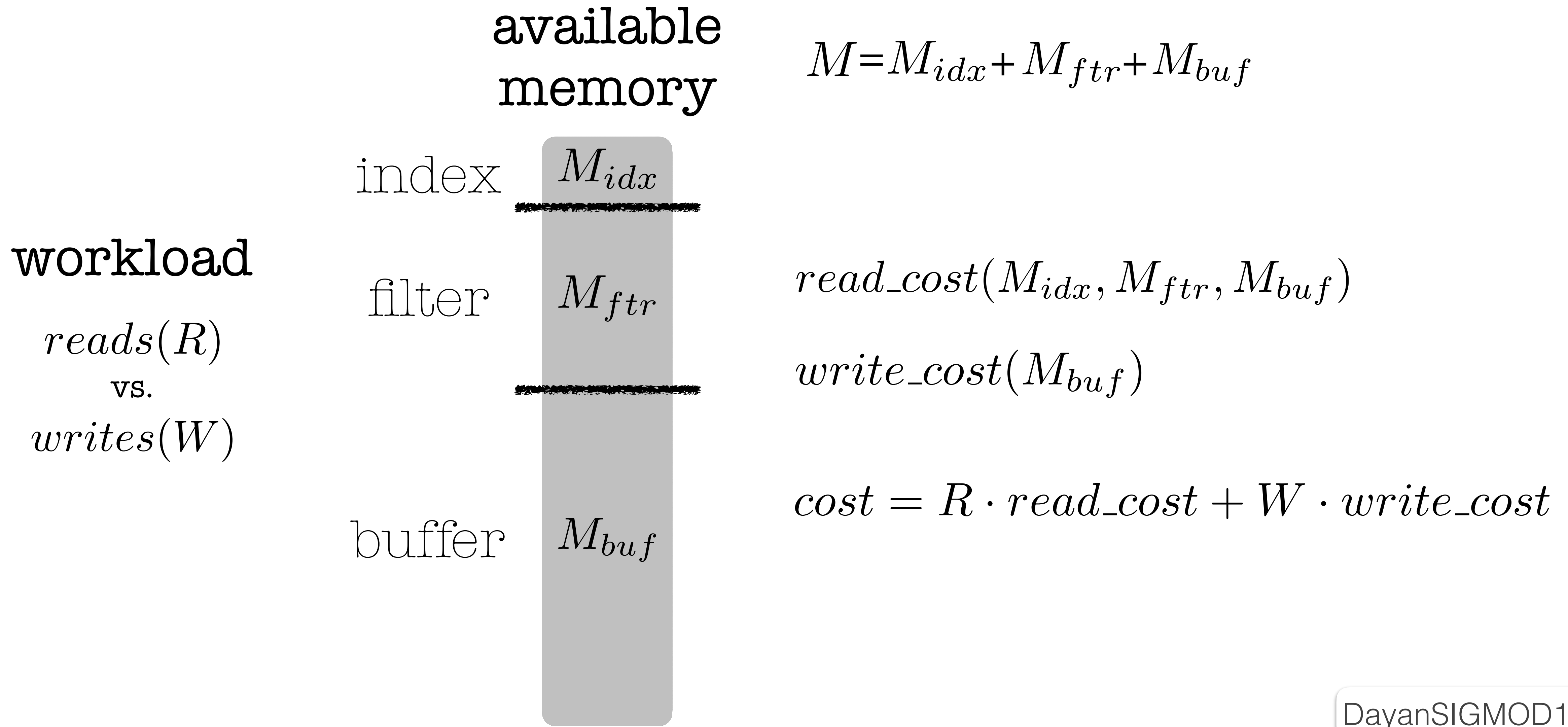


How to allocate memory
between LSM components

How to allocate memory
among BF's in LSM

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

The **Optimal** Memory Allocation



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

The **Optimal** Memory Allocation

available
memory

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

workload
 $reads(R)$
vs.
 $writes(W)$

block
cache



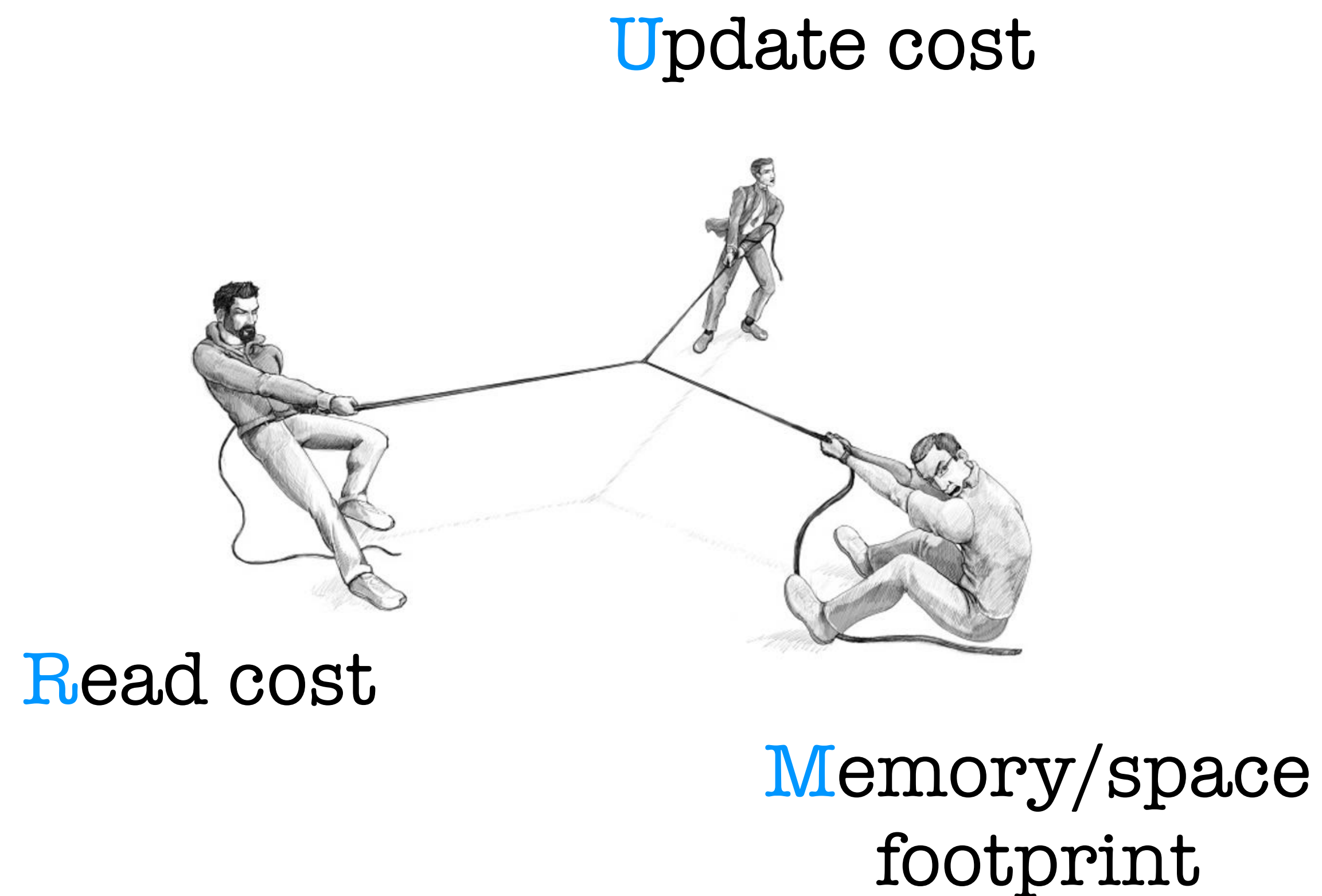
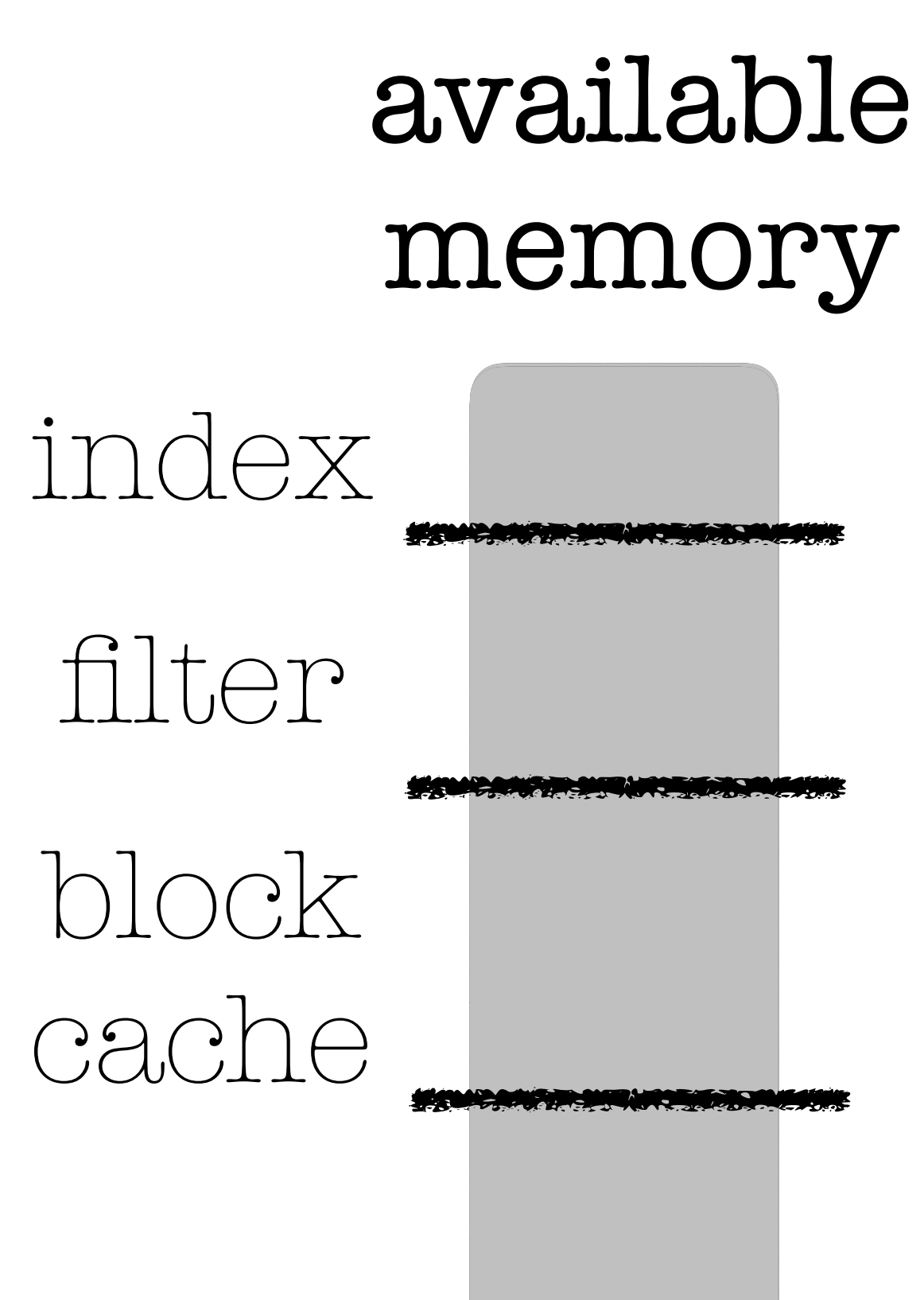
$read_cost(M_{cache})$
 $write_cost(M_{buf})$

buffer

M_{buf}

$$cost = R \cdot read_cost + W \cdot write_cost$$

The **Optimal** Memory Allocation

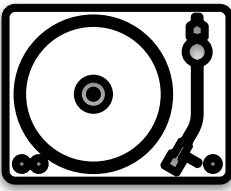
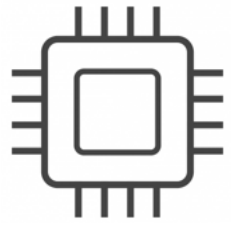


Navigating read vs. writes: data layouts

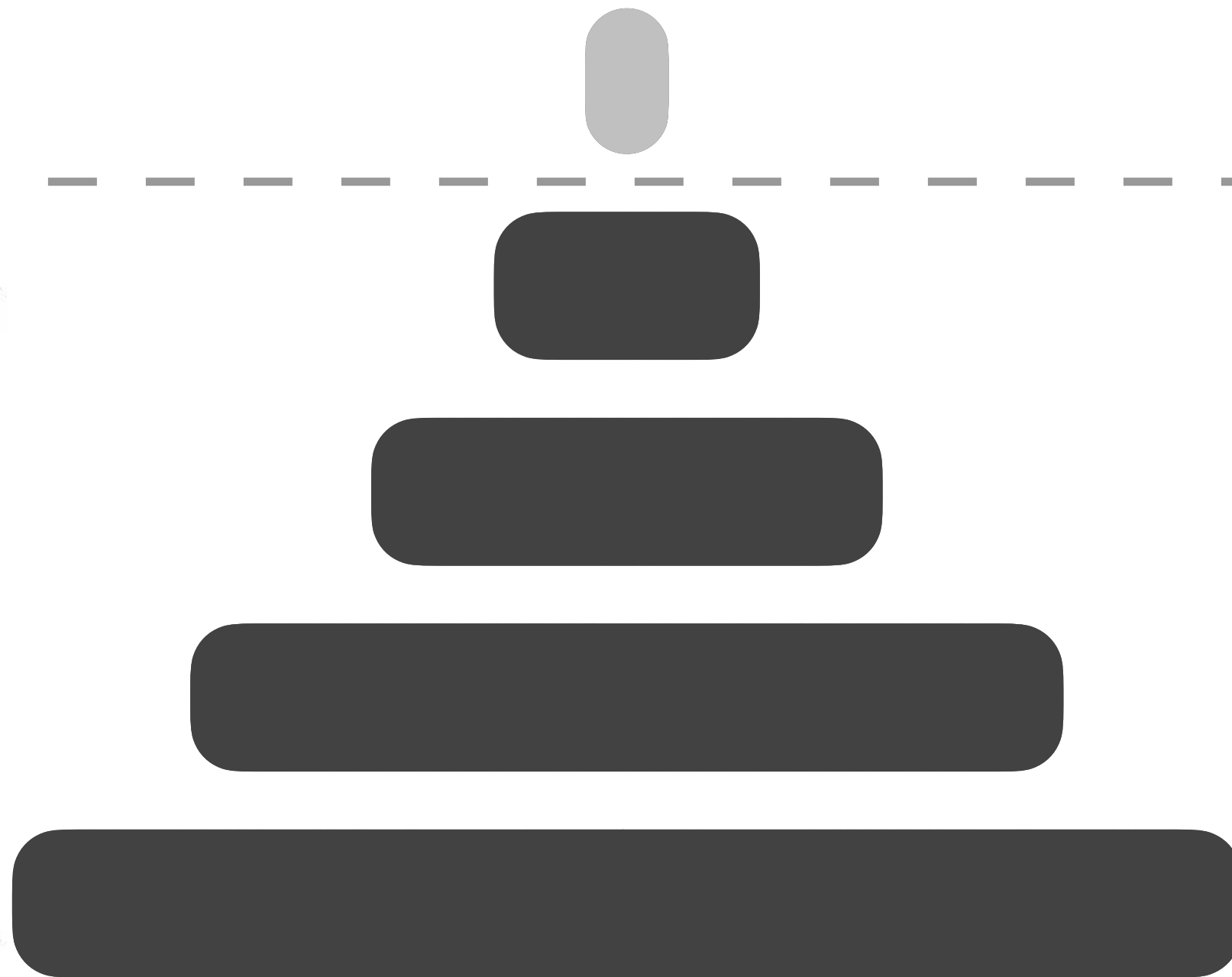
Data Layout

leveling [eager]

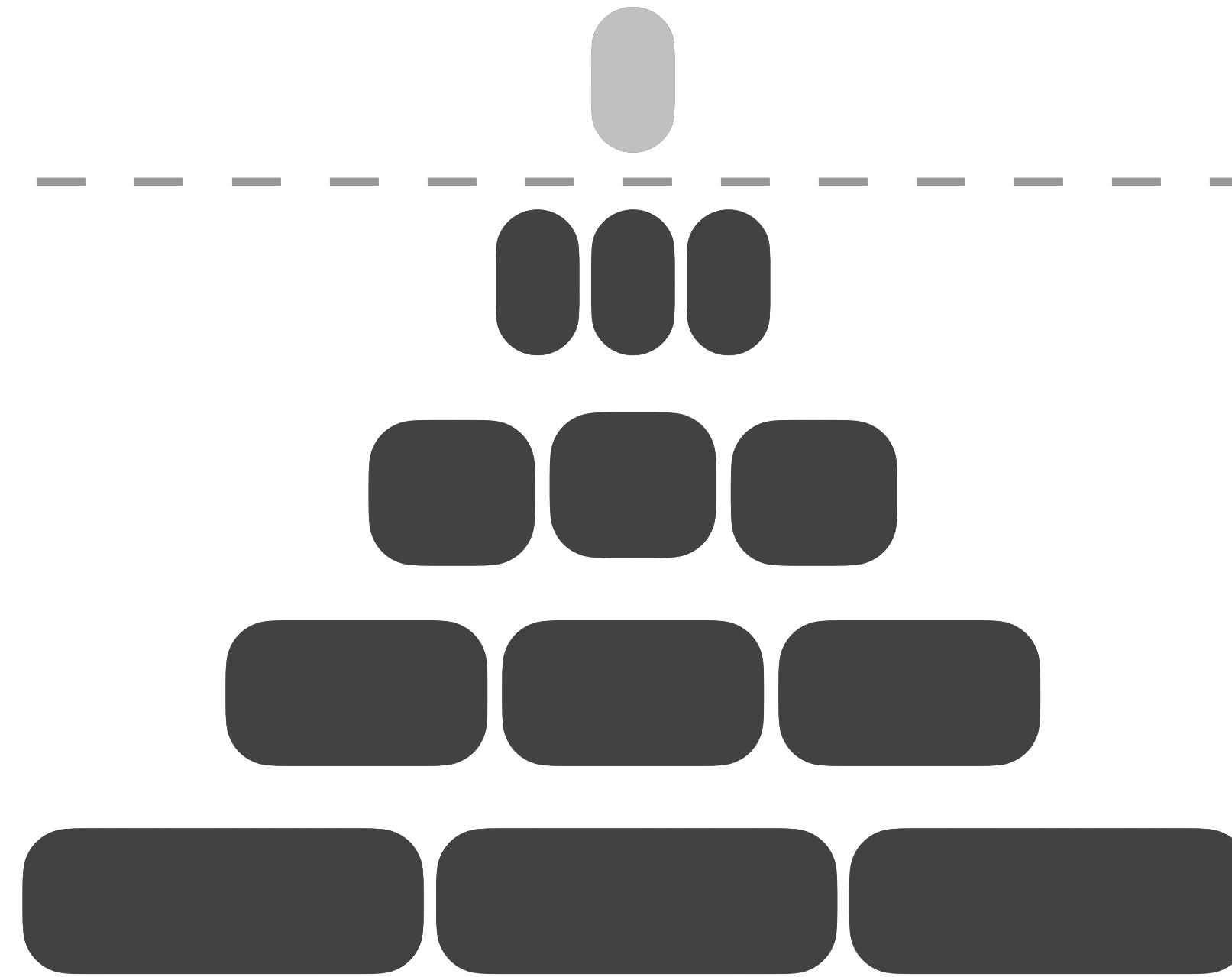
tiering [lazy]



1 run
per level



T runs
per level

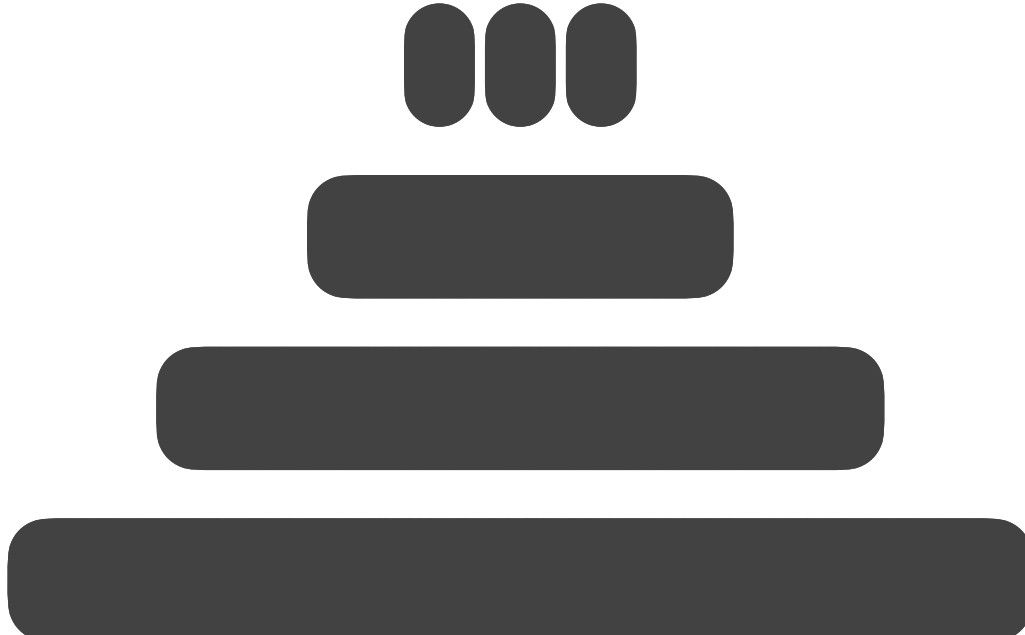


Data **L**ayout

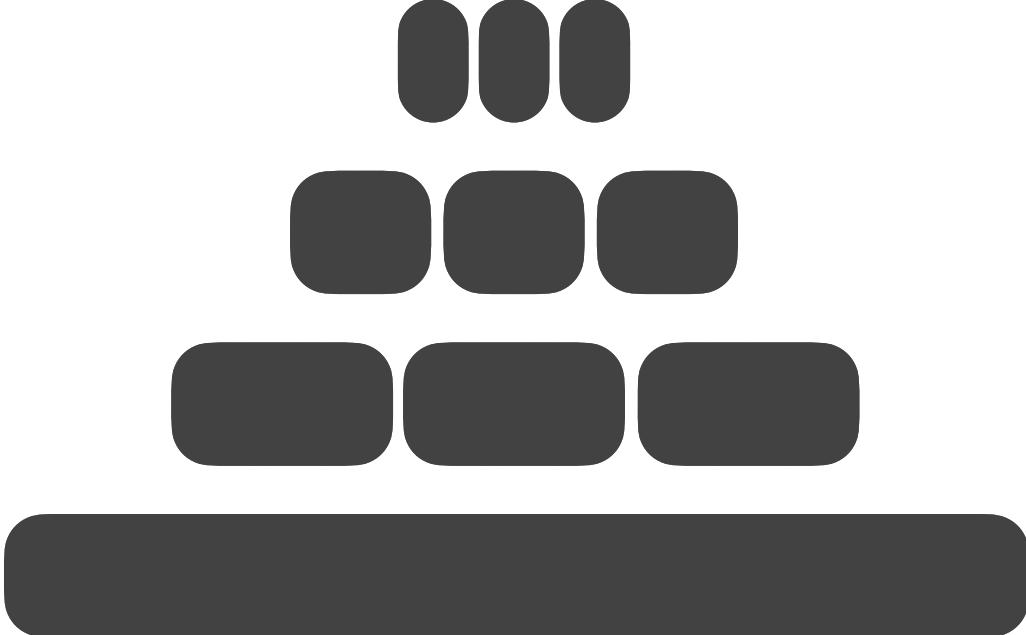
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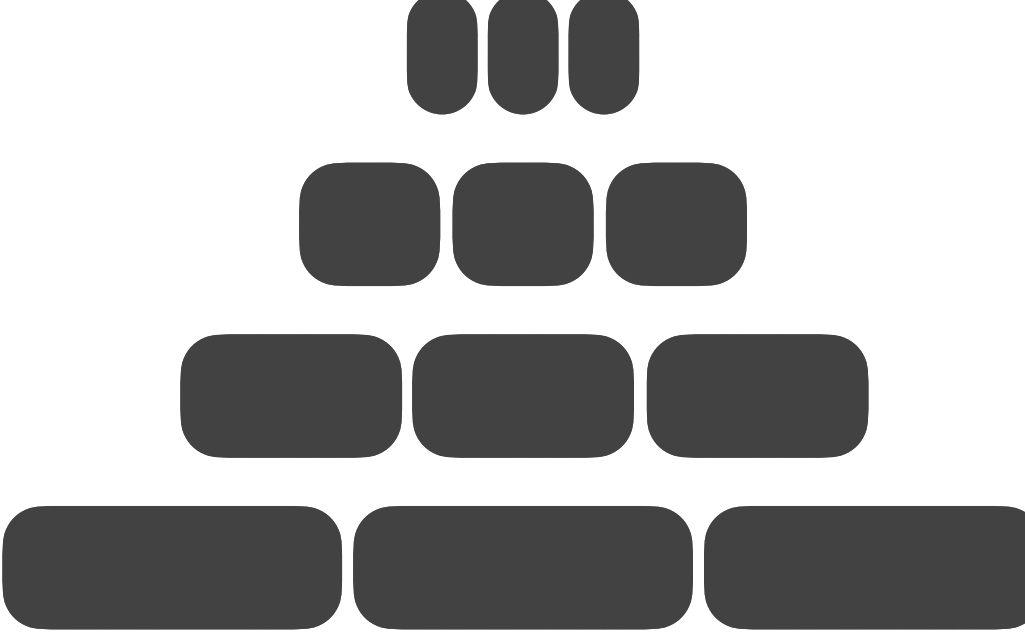
1-leveling



L-leveling



tiering

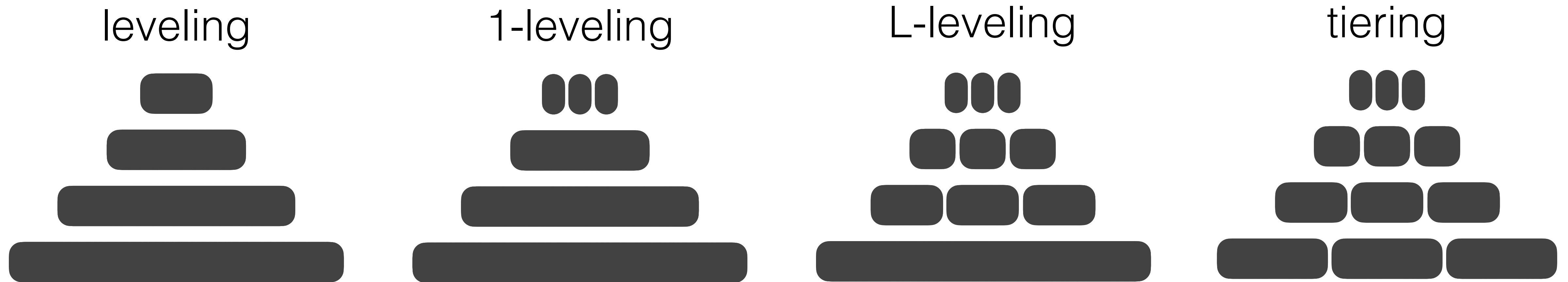


read
optimized



write
optimized

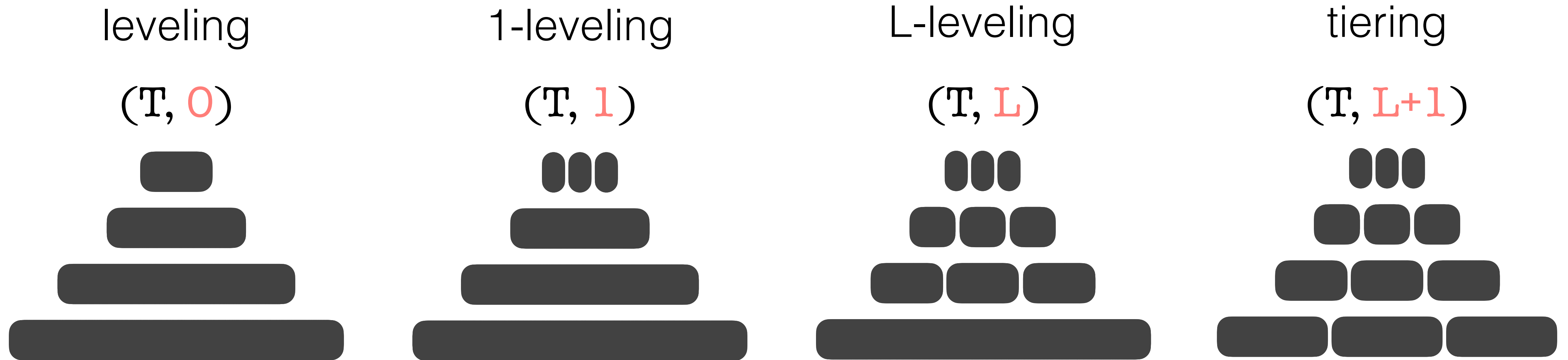
Storage Layer **Design Continuum**



Any design can be defined by the tuple-set: (T, i)



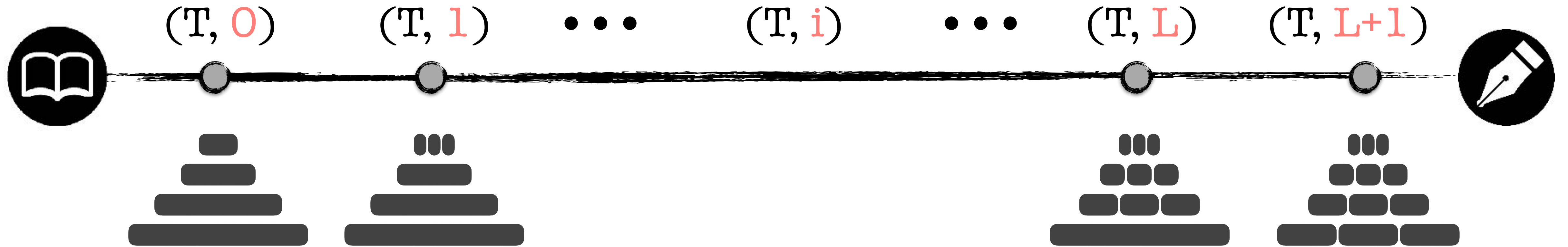
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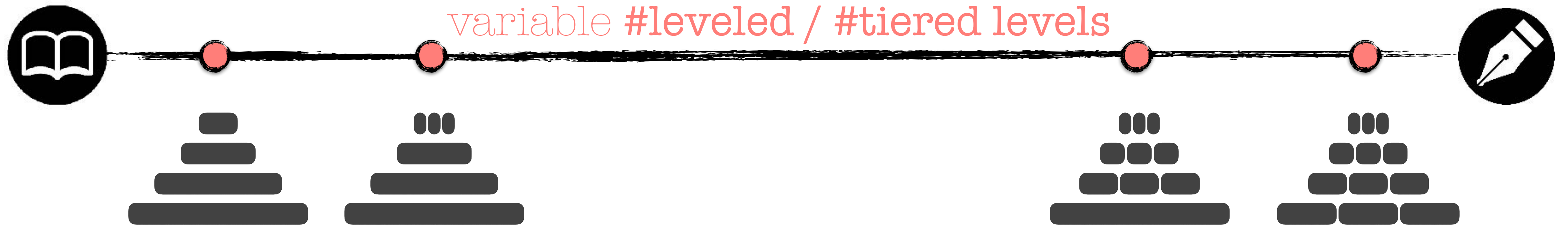
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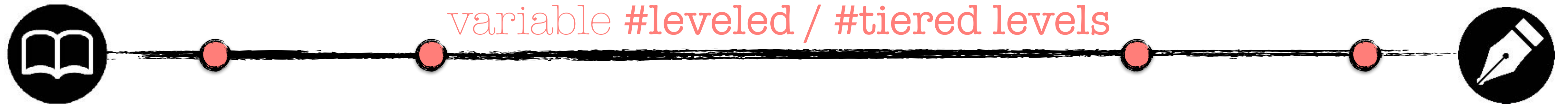
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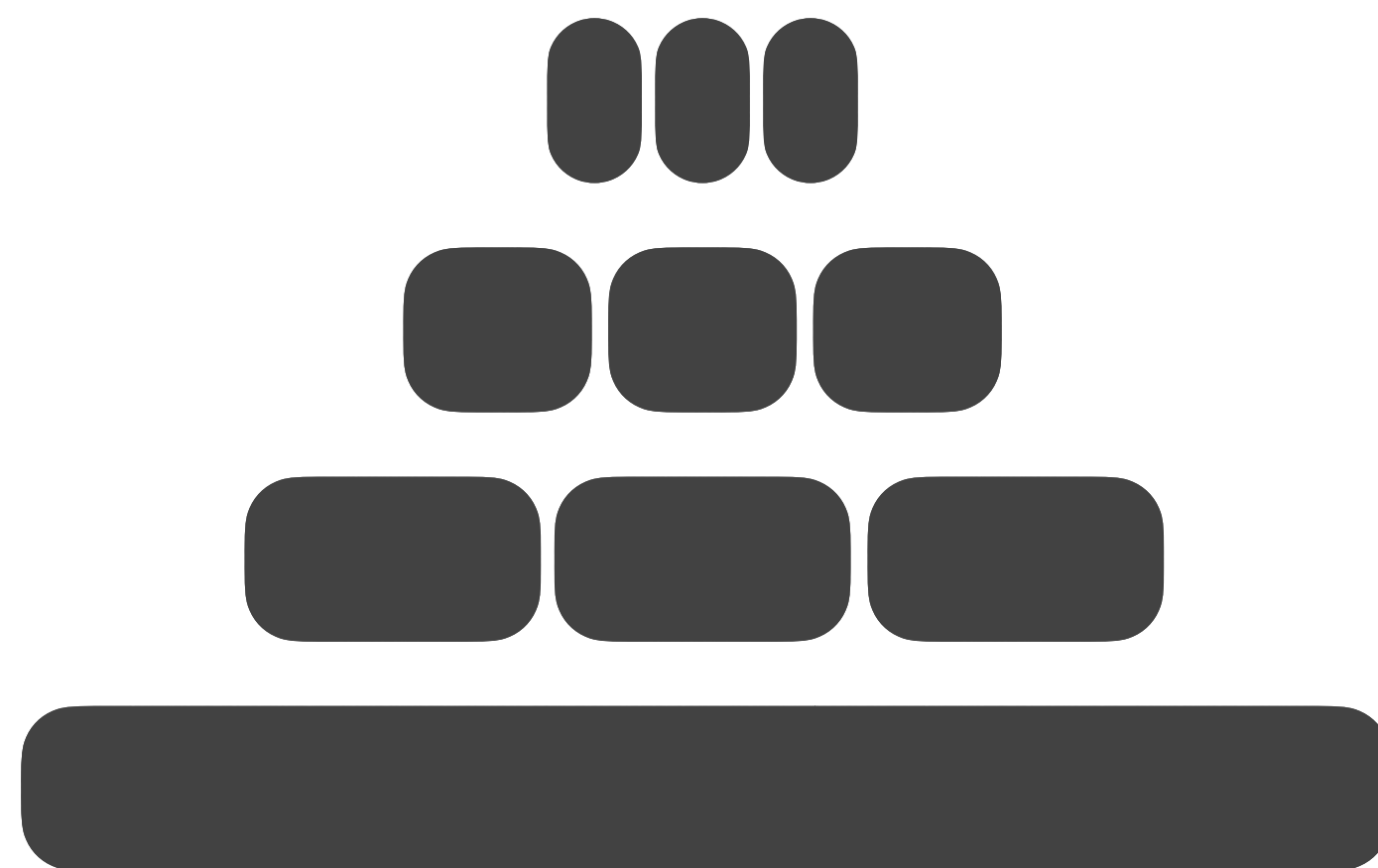
Storage Layer Design Continuum



Storage Layer Design Continuum



size ratio



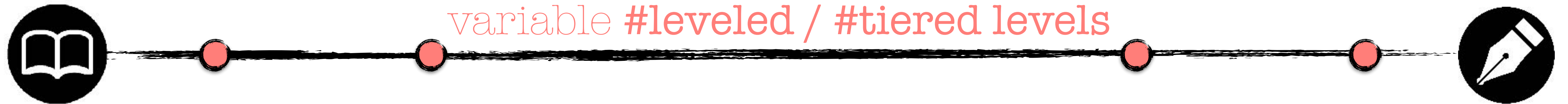
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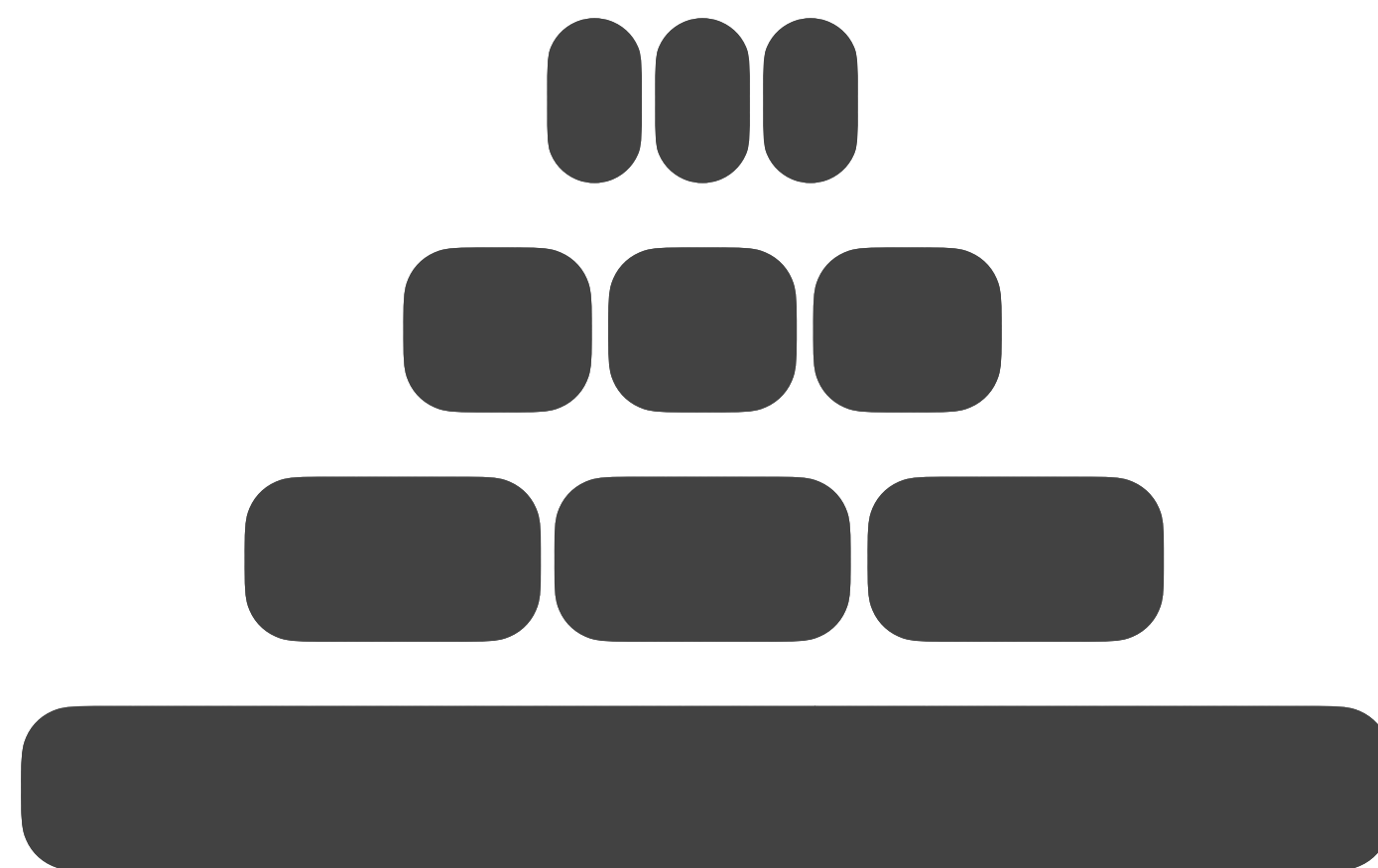
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Storage Layer Design Continuum



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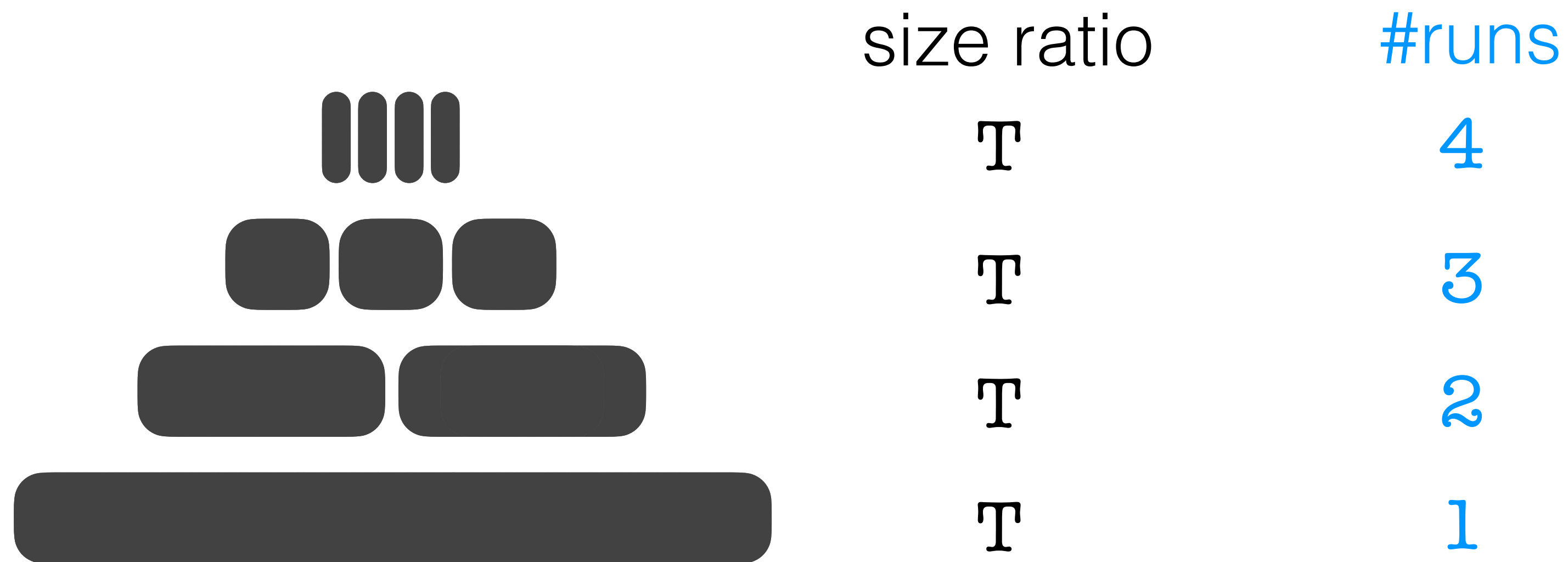
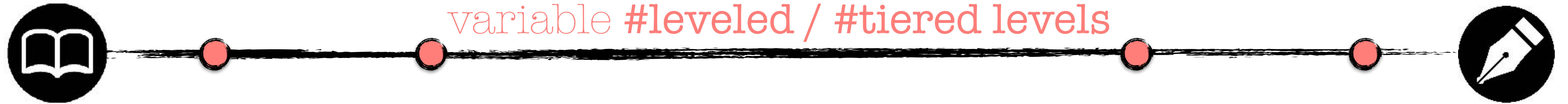
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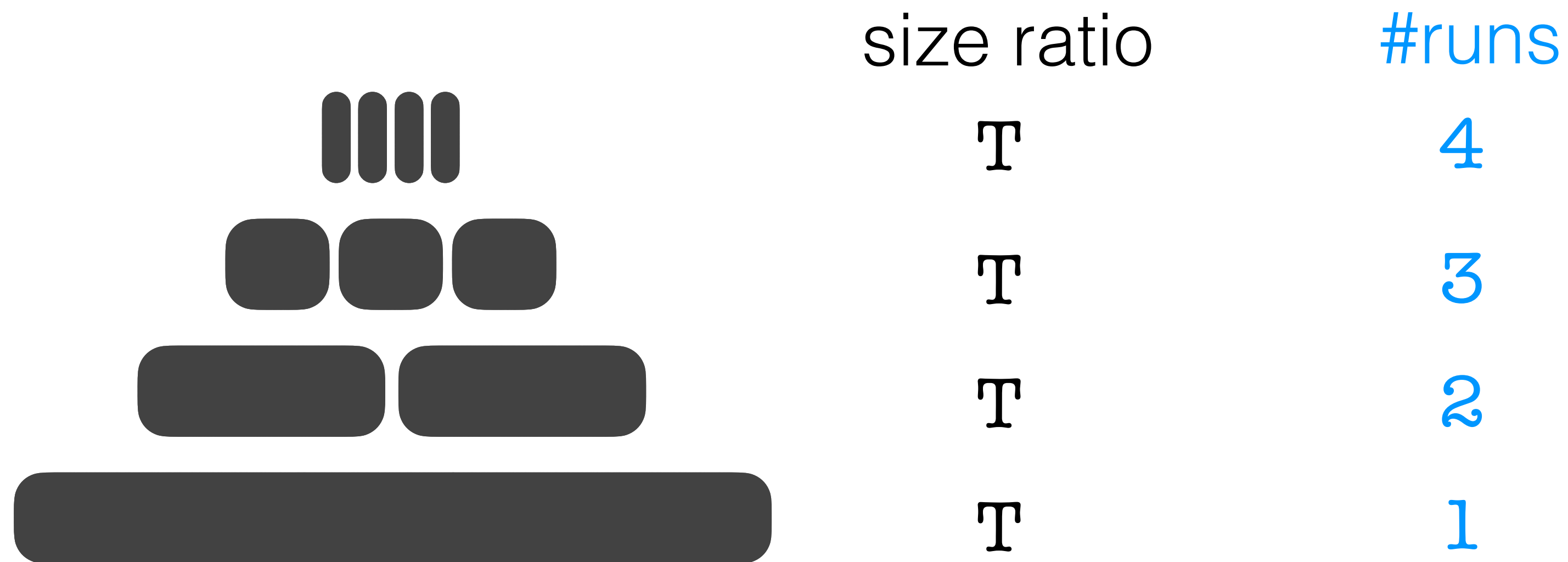
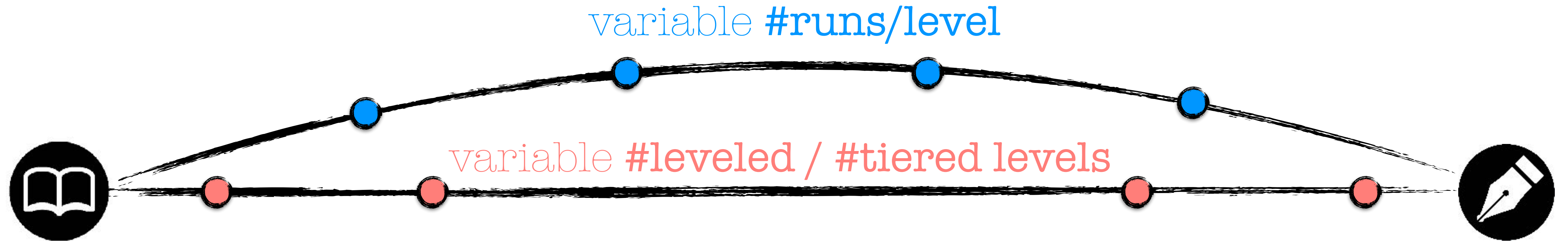
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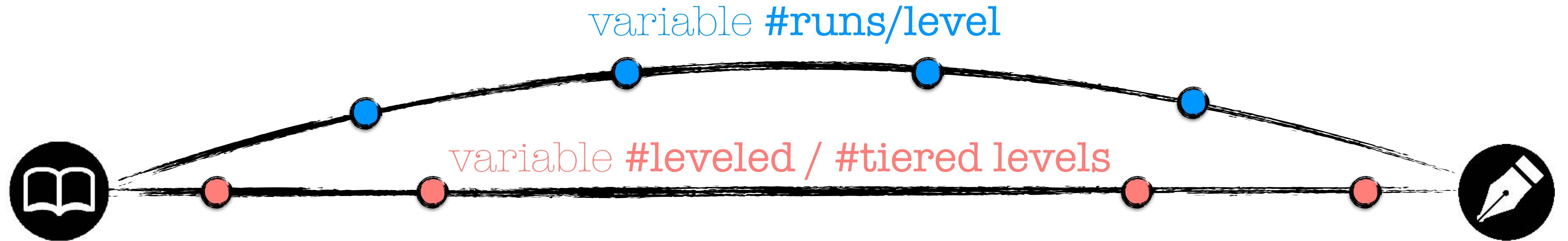
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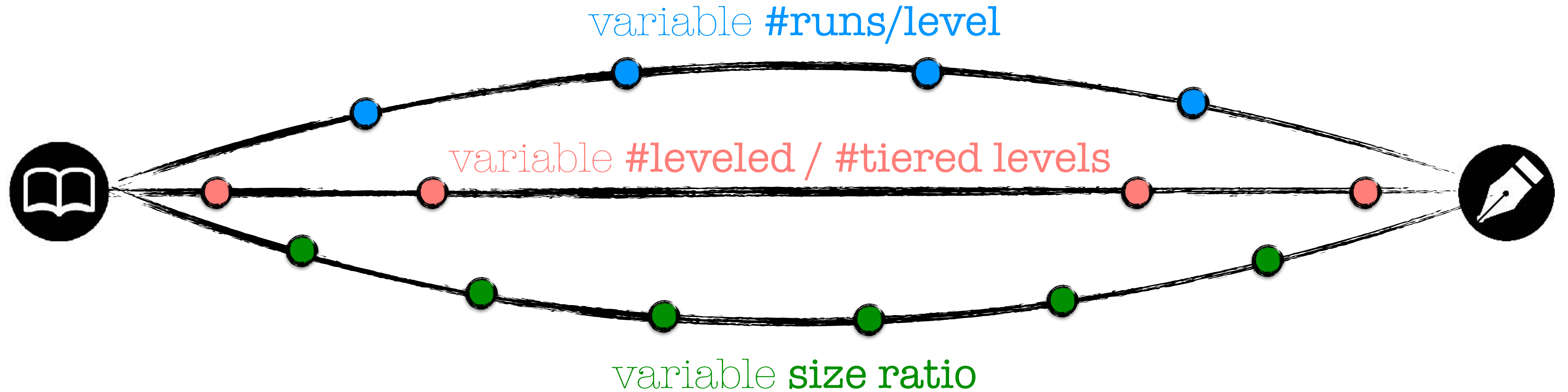


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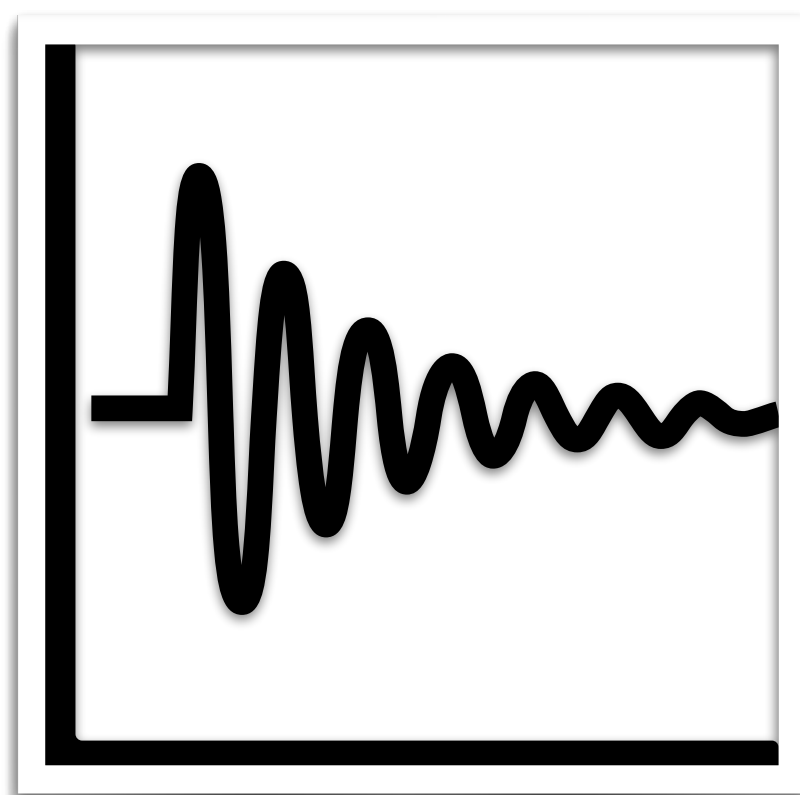


	size ratio	#runs
	2	4
	2.5	3
	3	2
	4	1

Storage Layer Design Continuum



The LSM storage layer design continuum



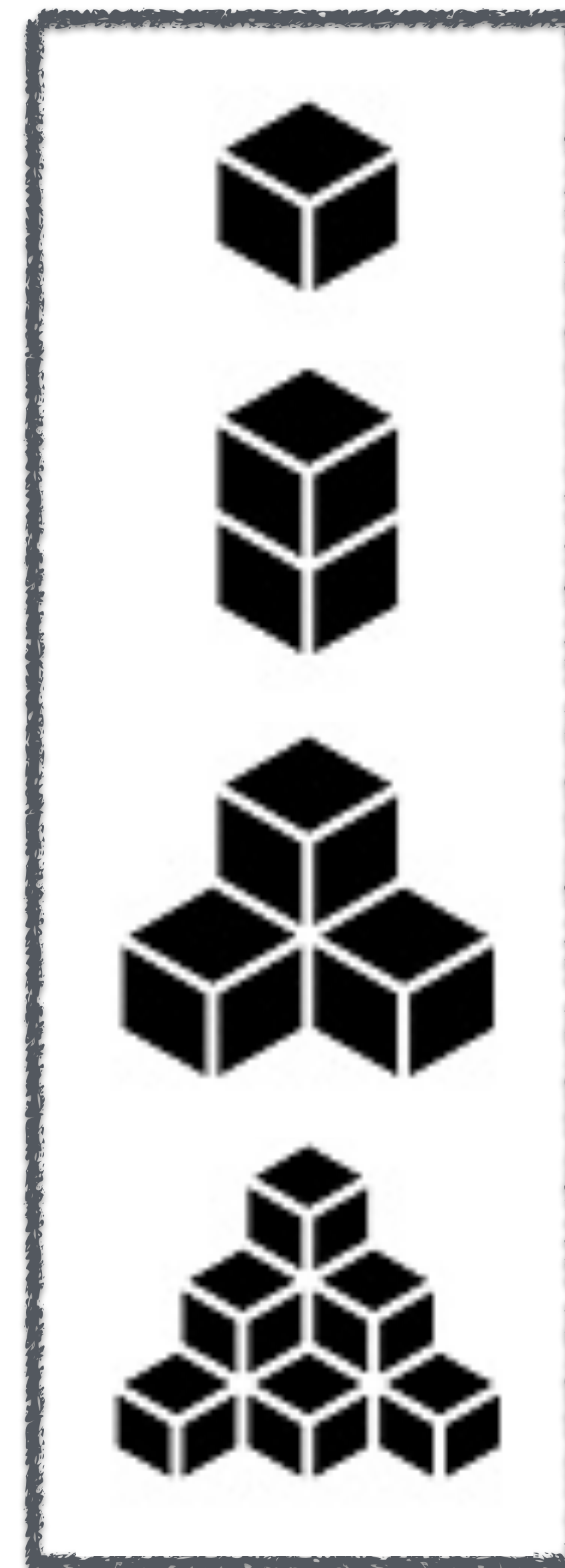
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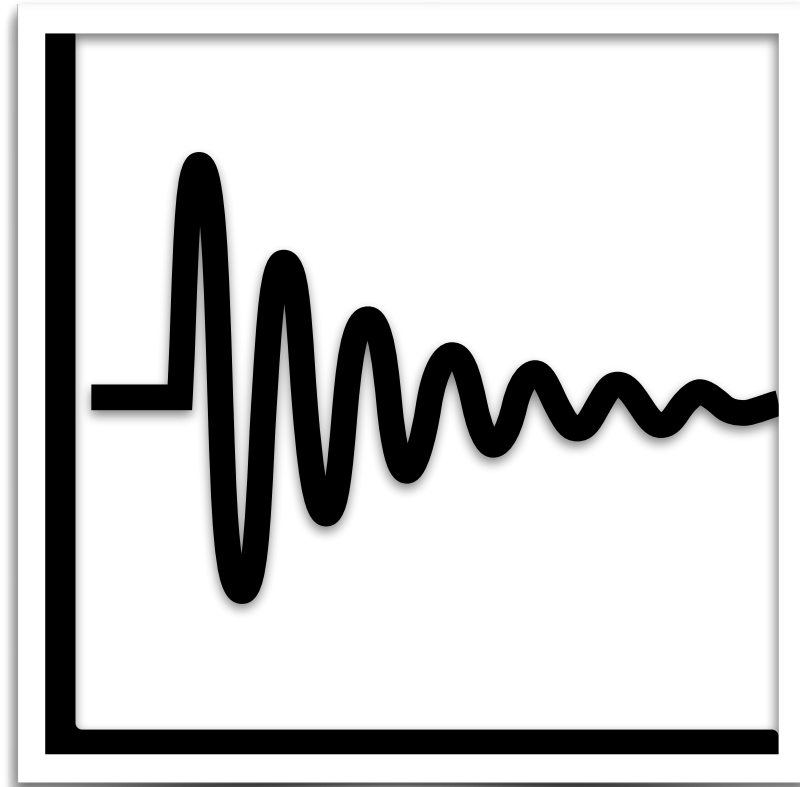
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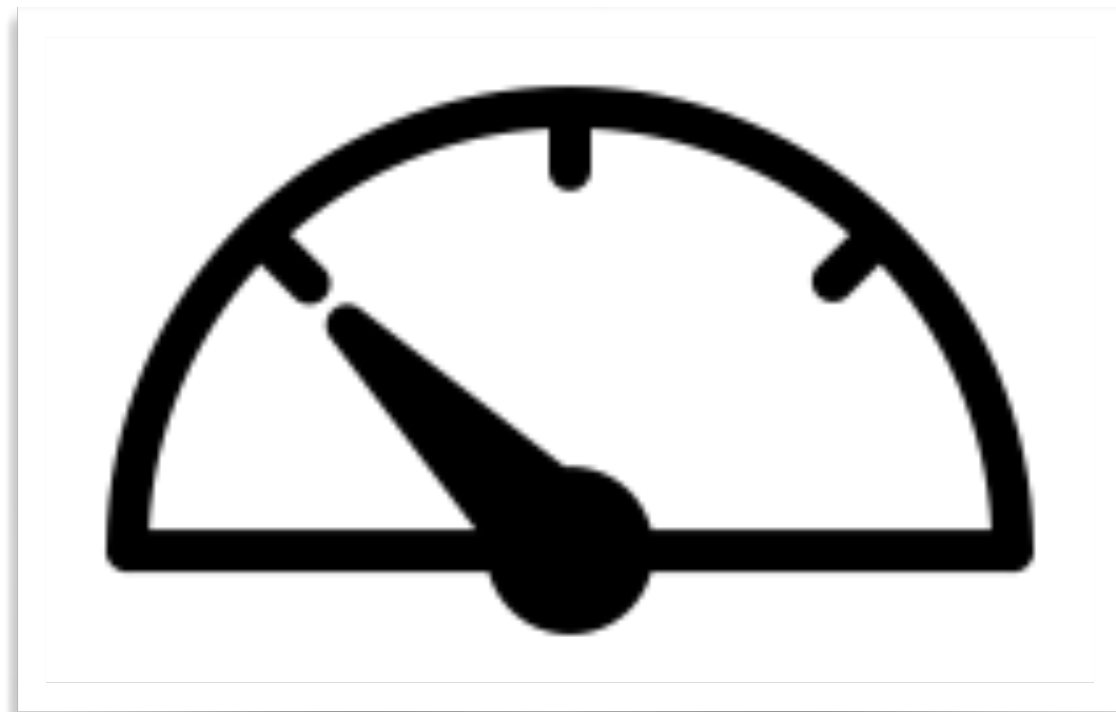
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LSM designs



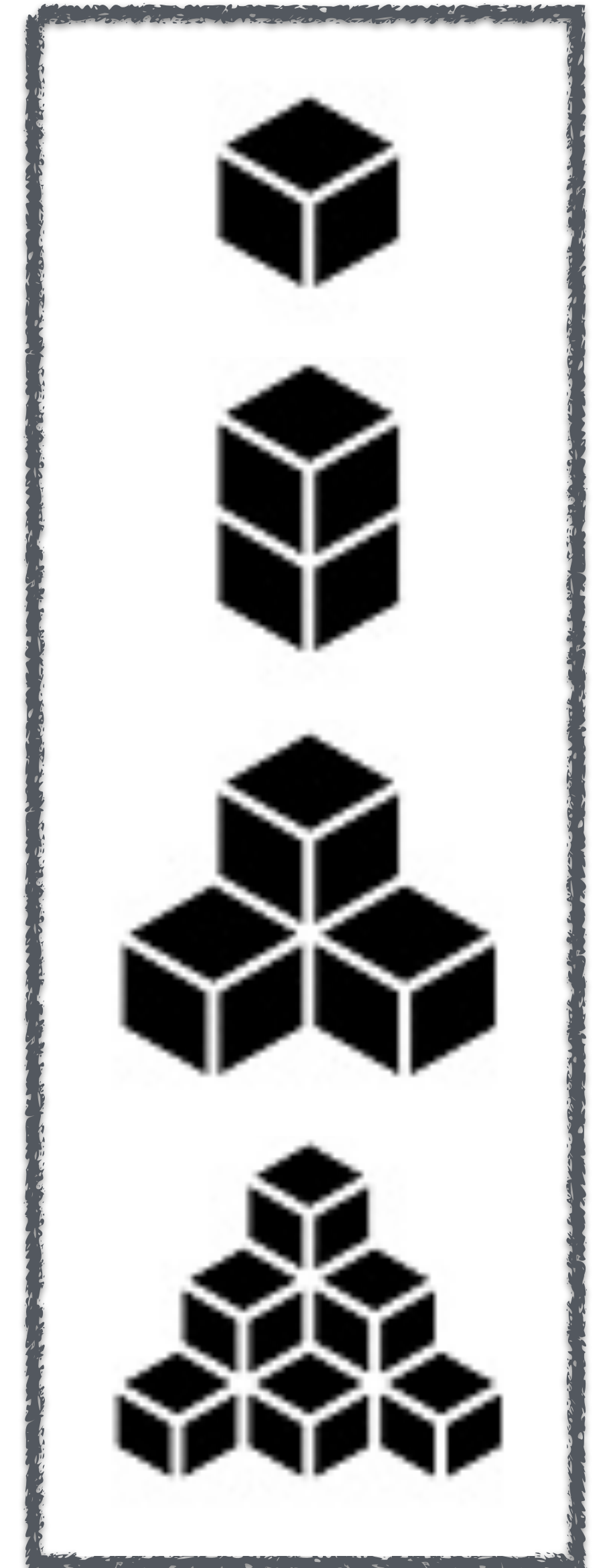
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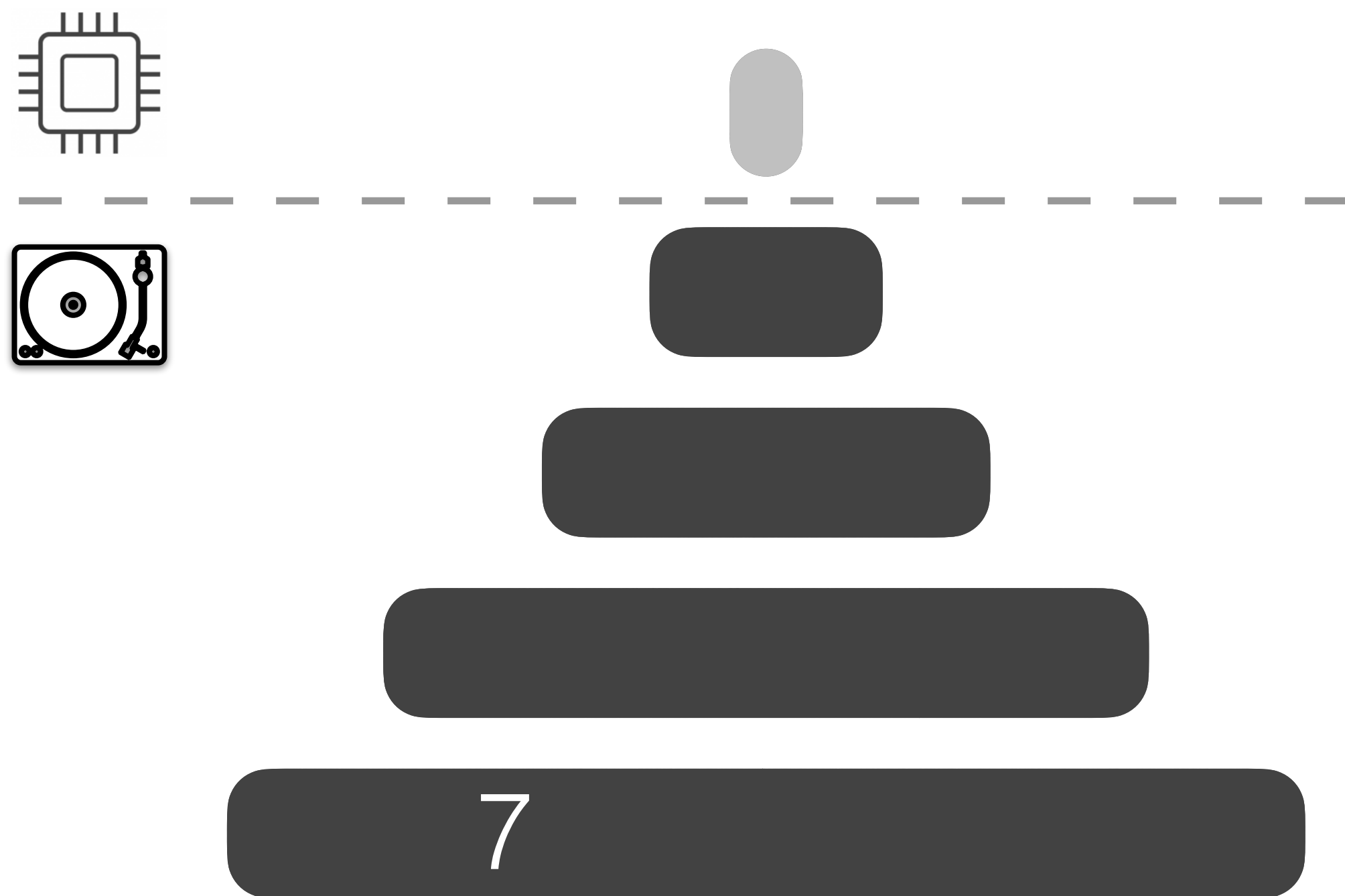


LSM designs

worst-case
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L : #levels
 ϕ : FPR of BF

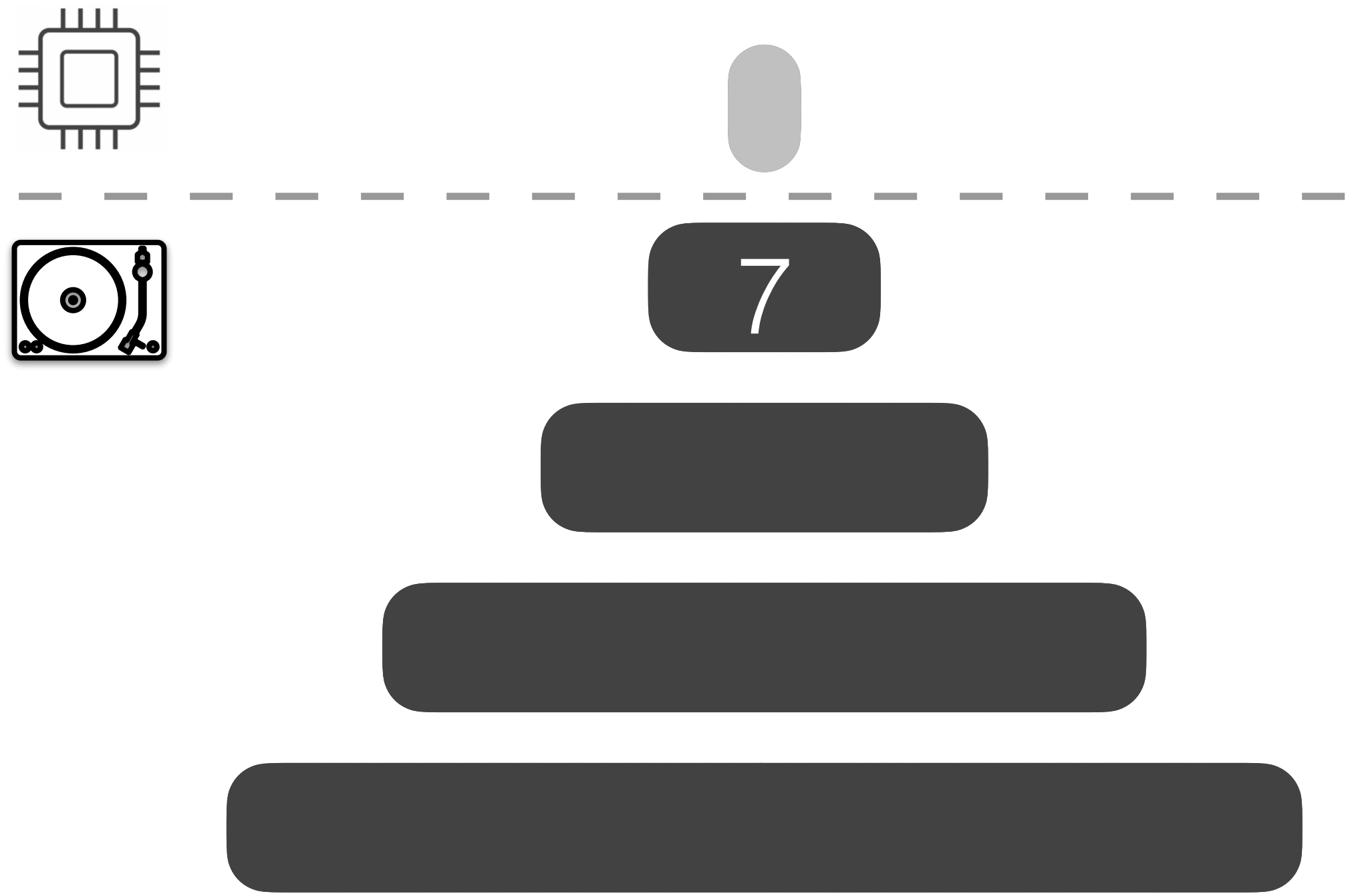
worst-case performance modeling



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

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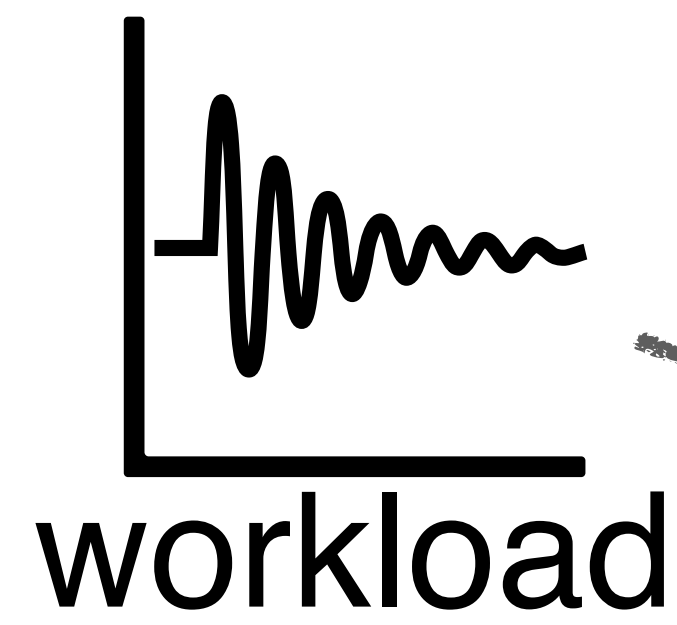


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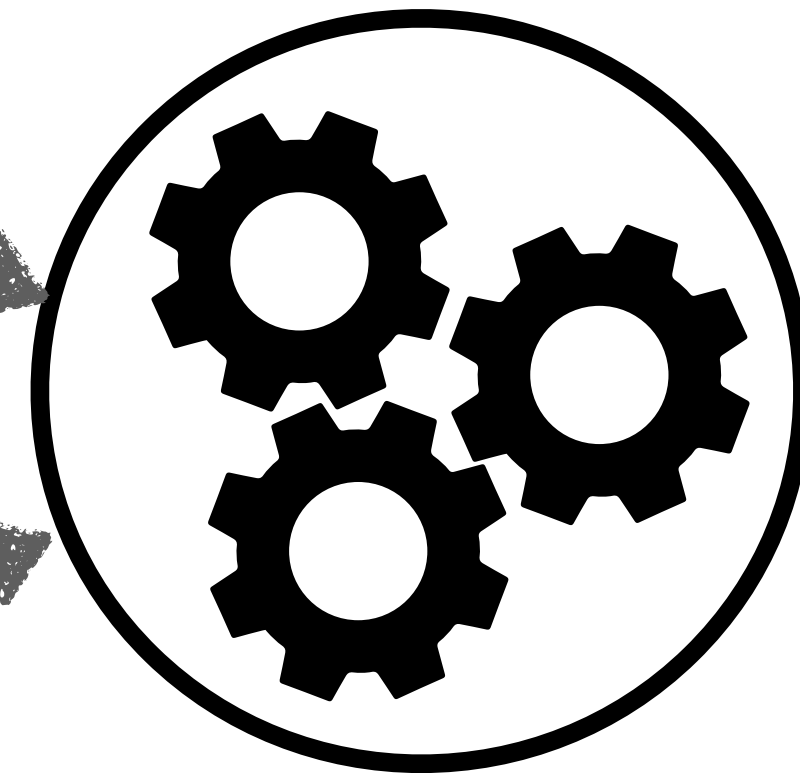
average-case performance modeling

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

average-case
performance
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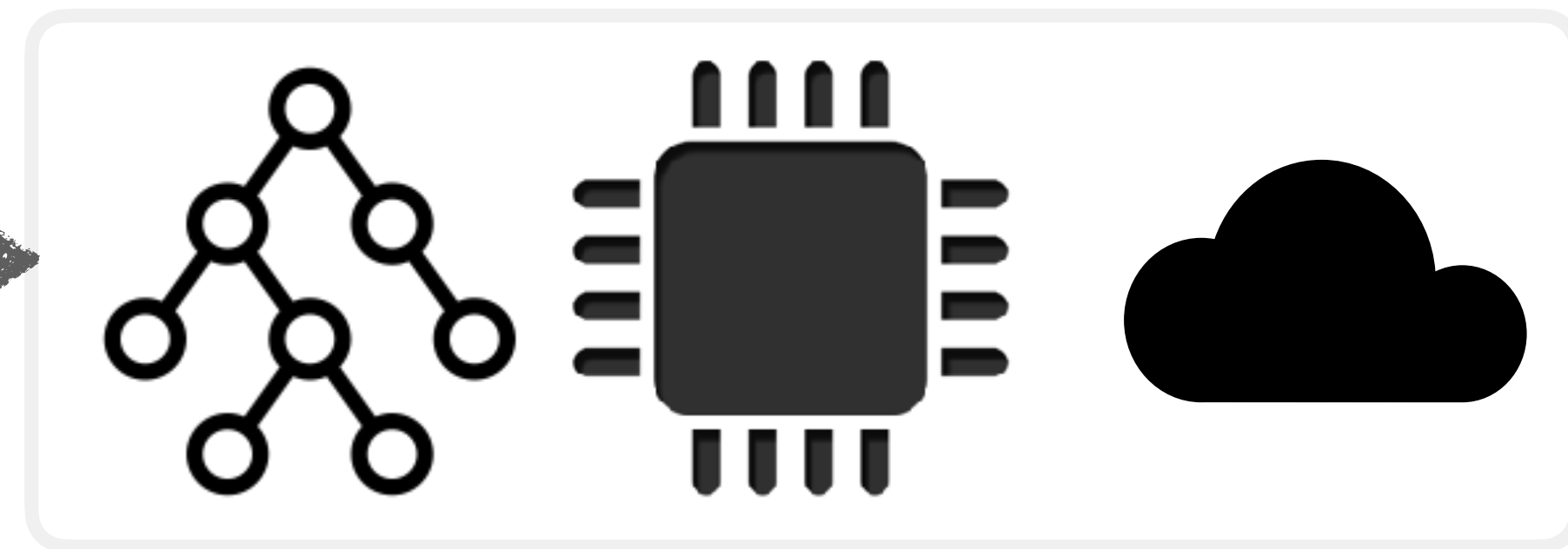


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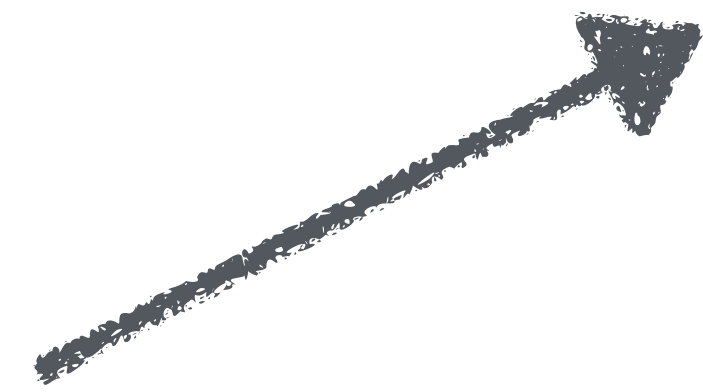
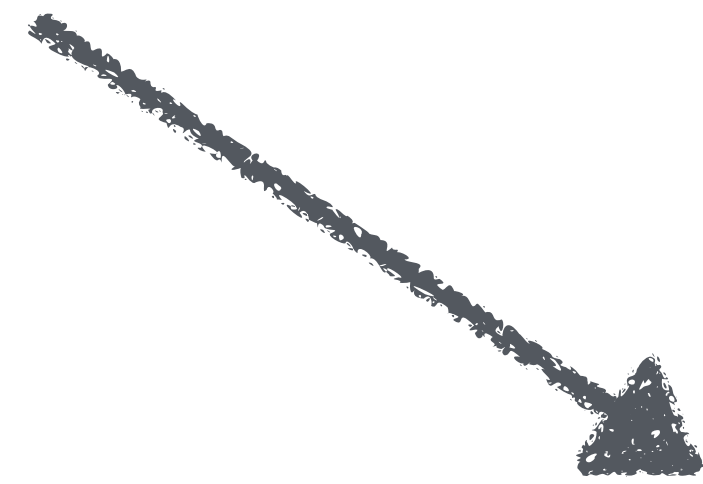
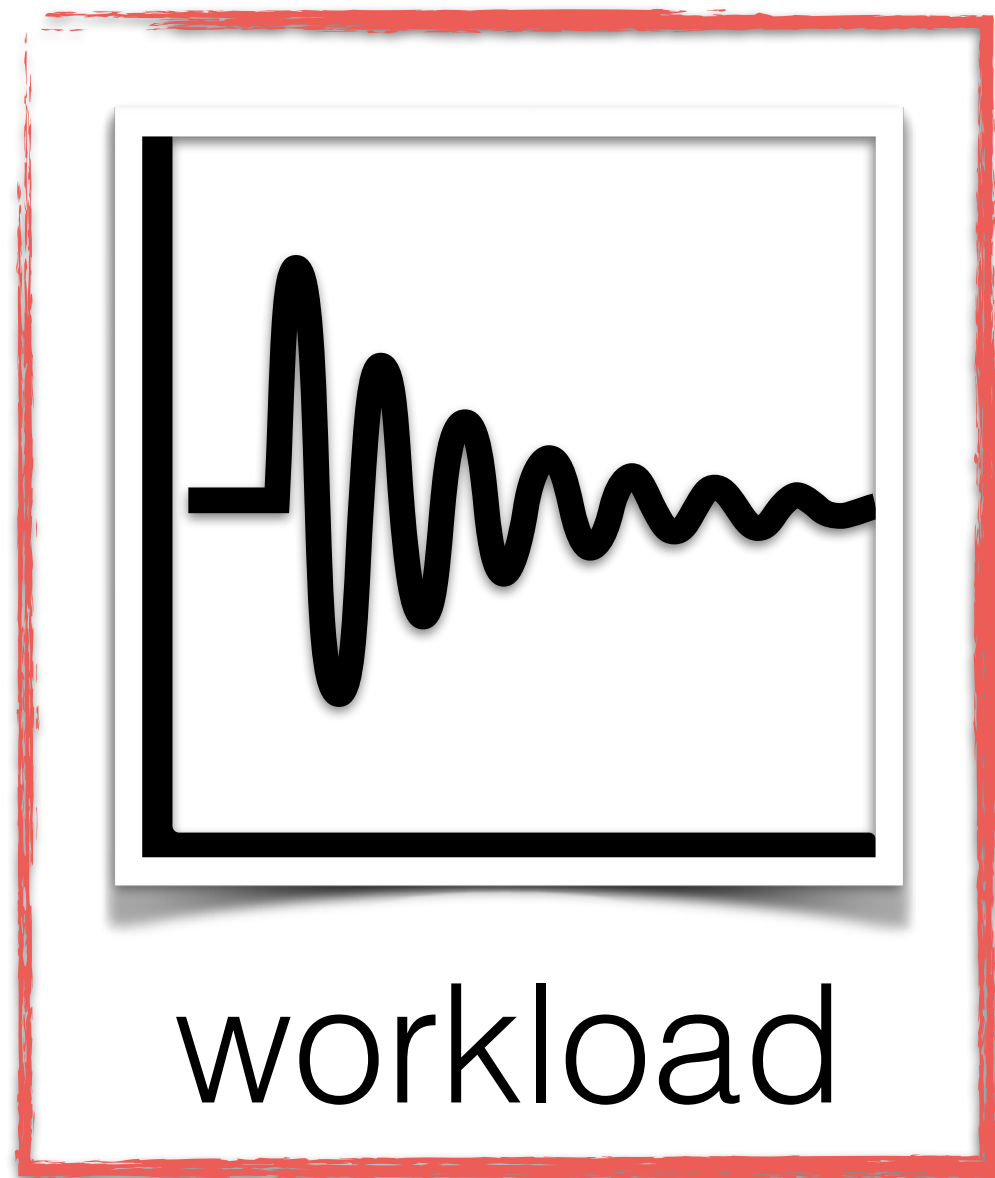
optimal configuration



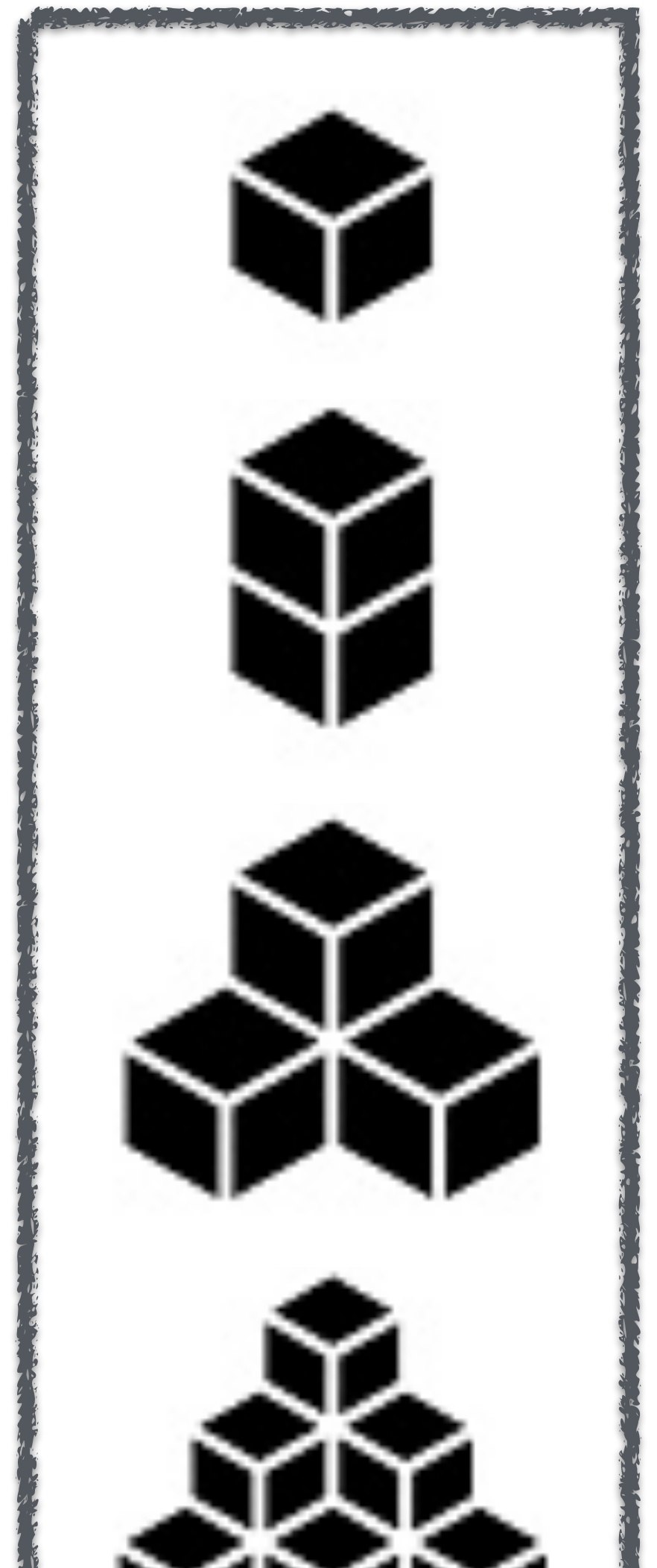
SE design

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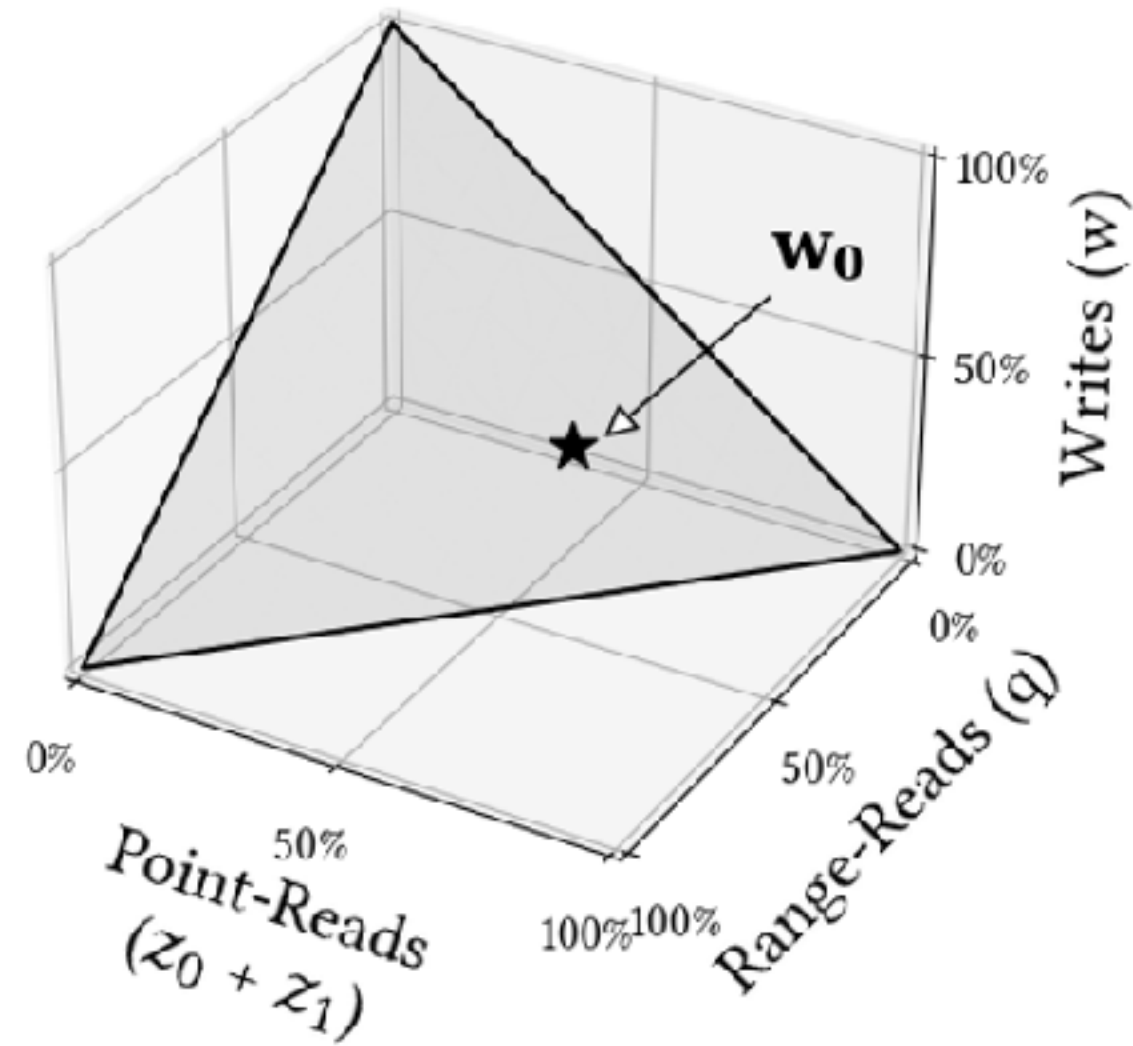


average-case



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

Workload-based Tuning



$$\pi_{w_0} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\pi} (\operatorname{cost}(w_0, \pi)) \quad \operatorname{cost}(w_0, \pi_{w_0})$$

optimal configuration for w_0



Nominal Tuning

$$\pi_{w_0} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\pi} (\operatorname{cost}(w_0, \pi))$$

optimal configuration for w_0

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

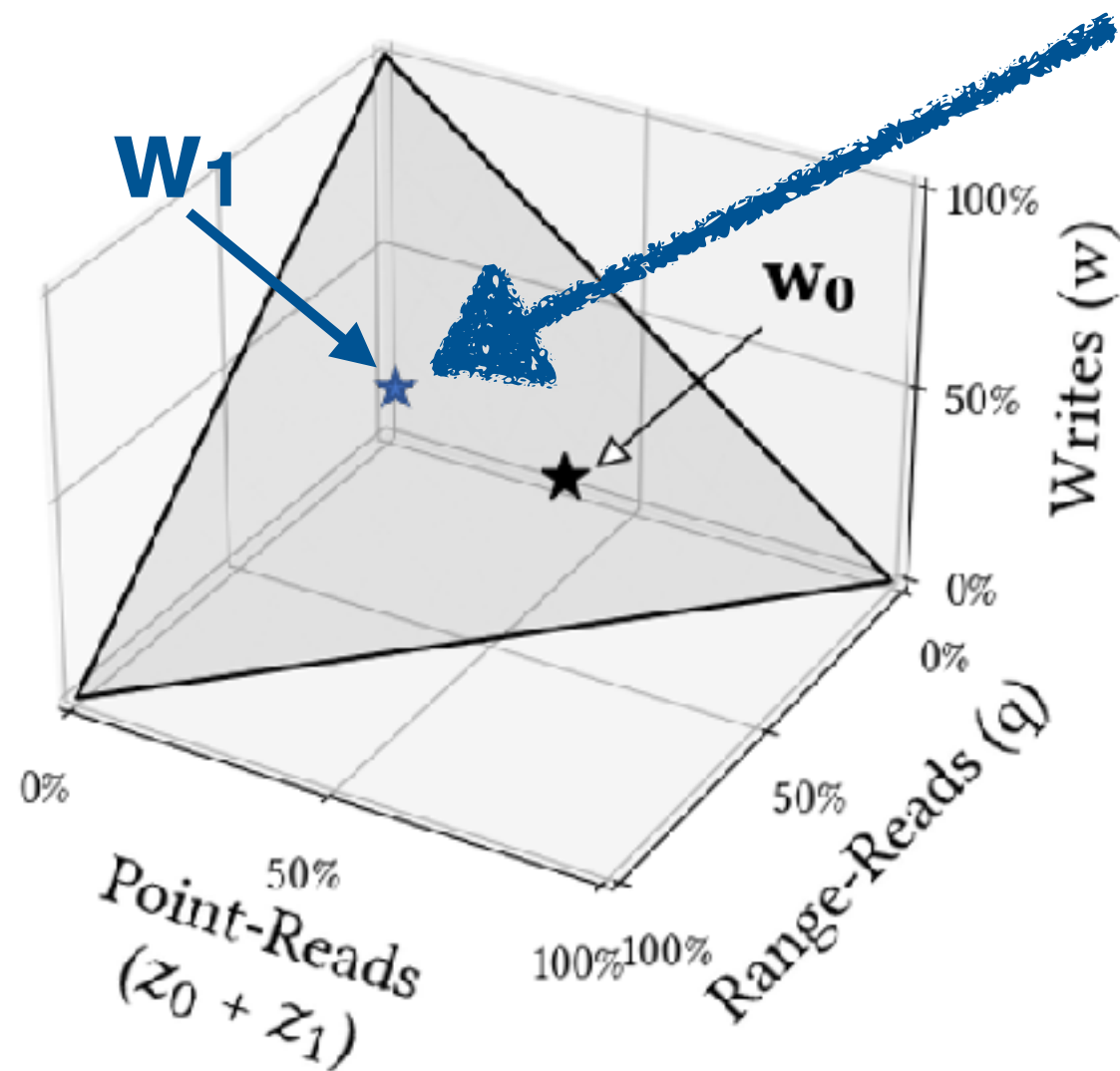
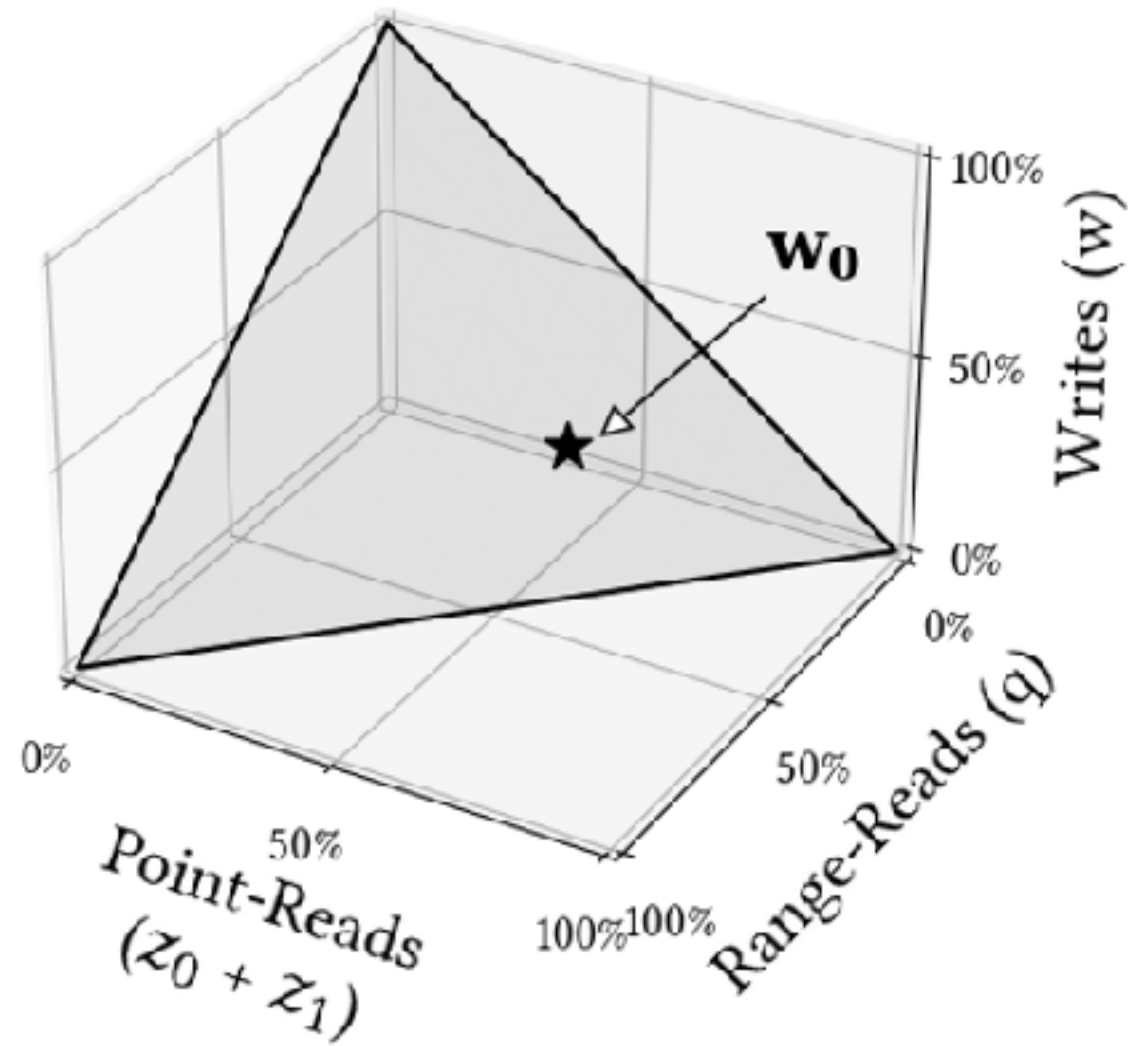
same configuration

due to unpredictability

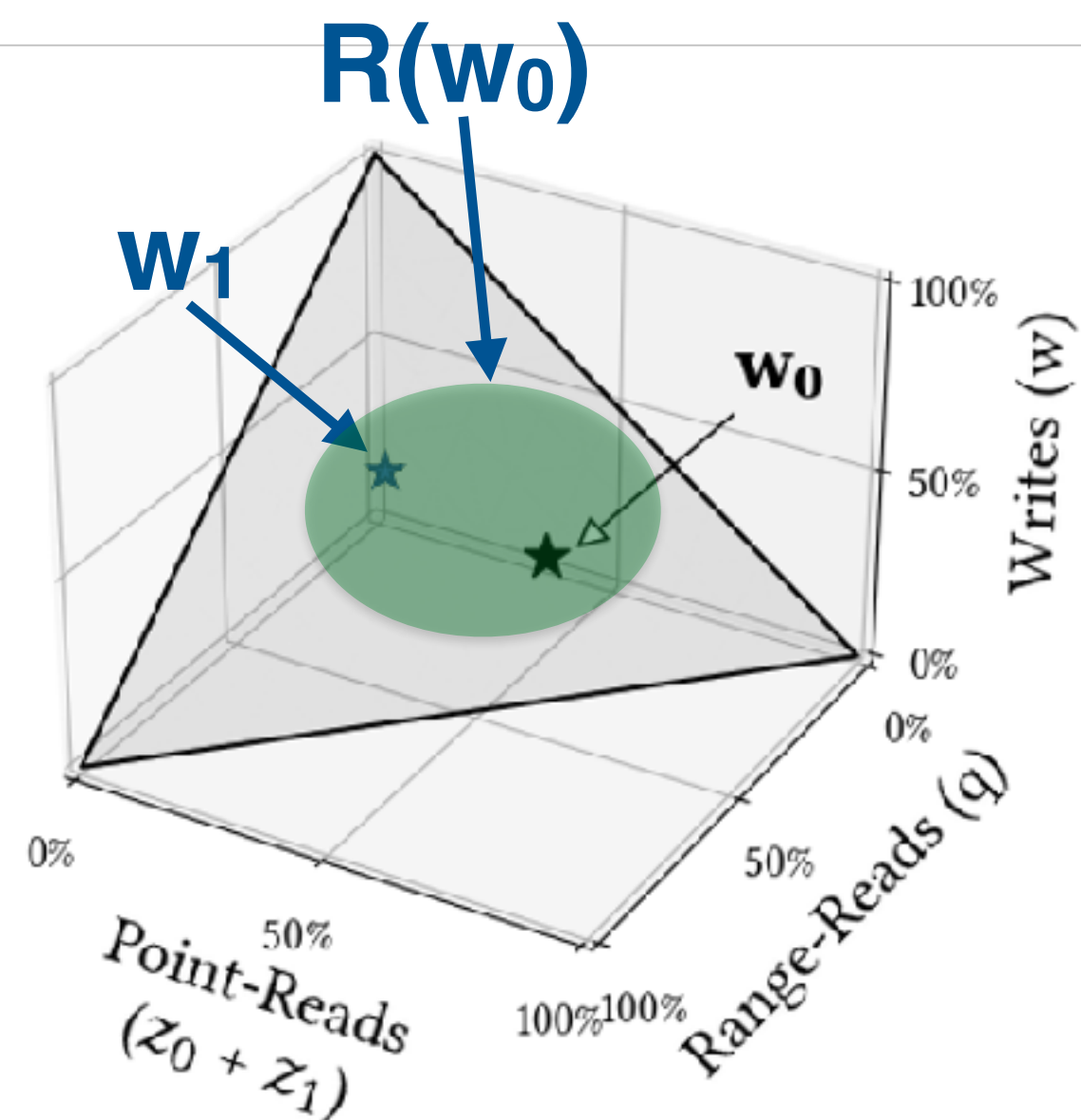
$$\pi_{w_0}$$

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

... but not optimal!



Robust Tuning



$$\pi_{w_0}^{robust} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\pi} \max_{w \in R(w_0)} (\operatorname{cost}(w_0, \pi_{w_0}^{robust}))$$

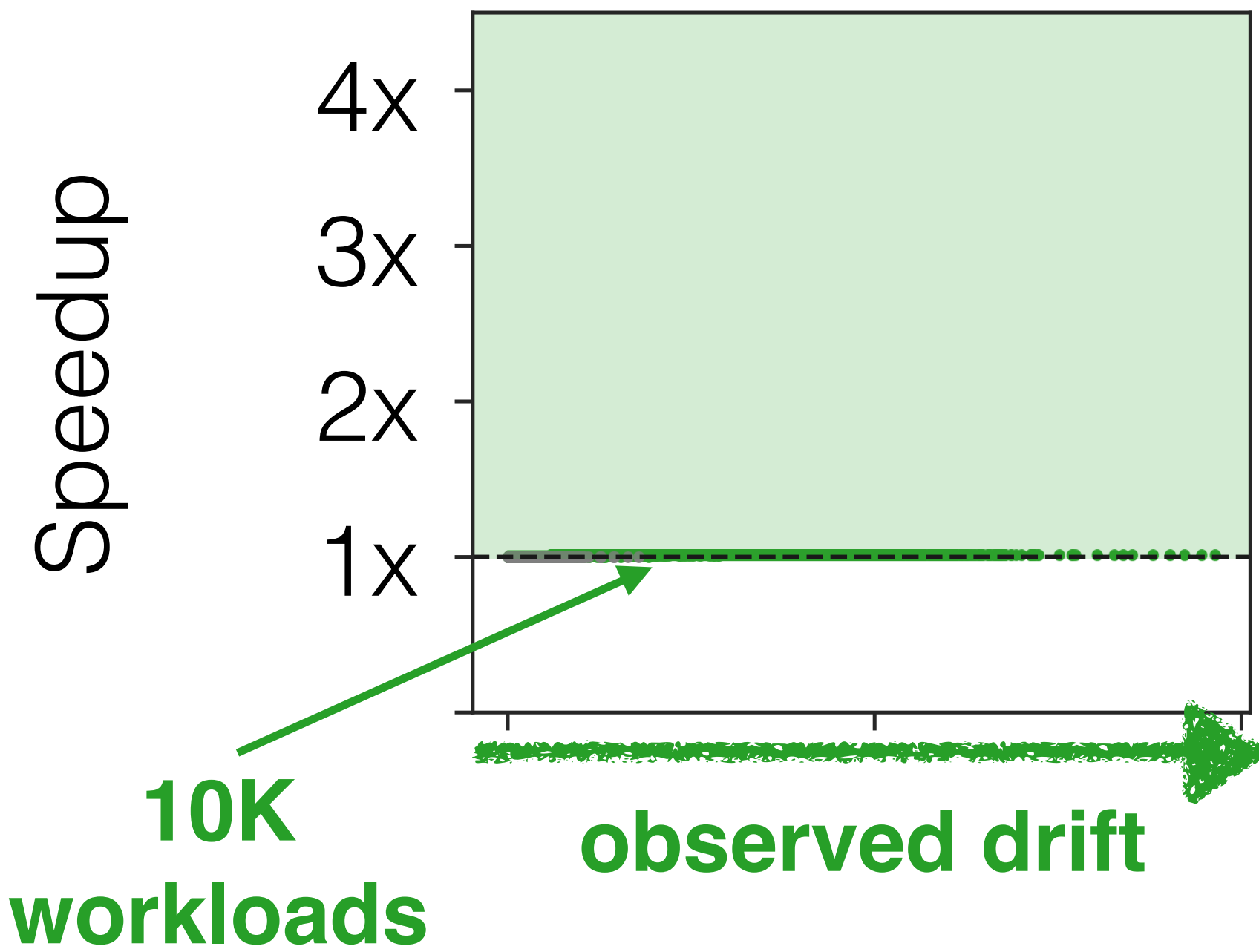
$$\operatorname{cost}(w_1, \pi_{w_0}^{robust})$$

... close-to-optimal!

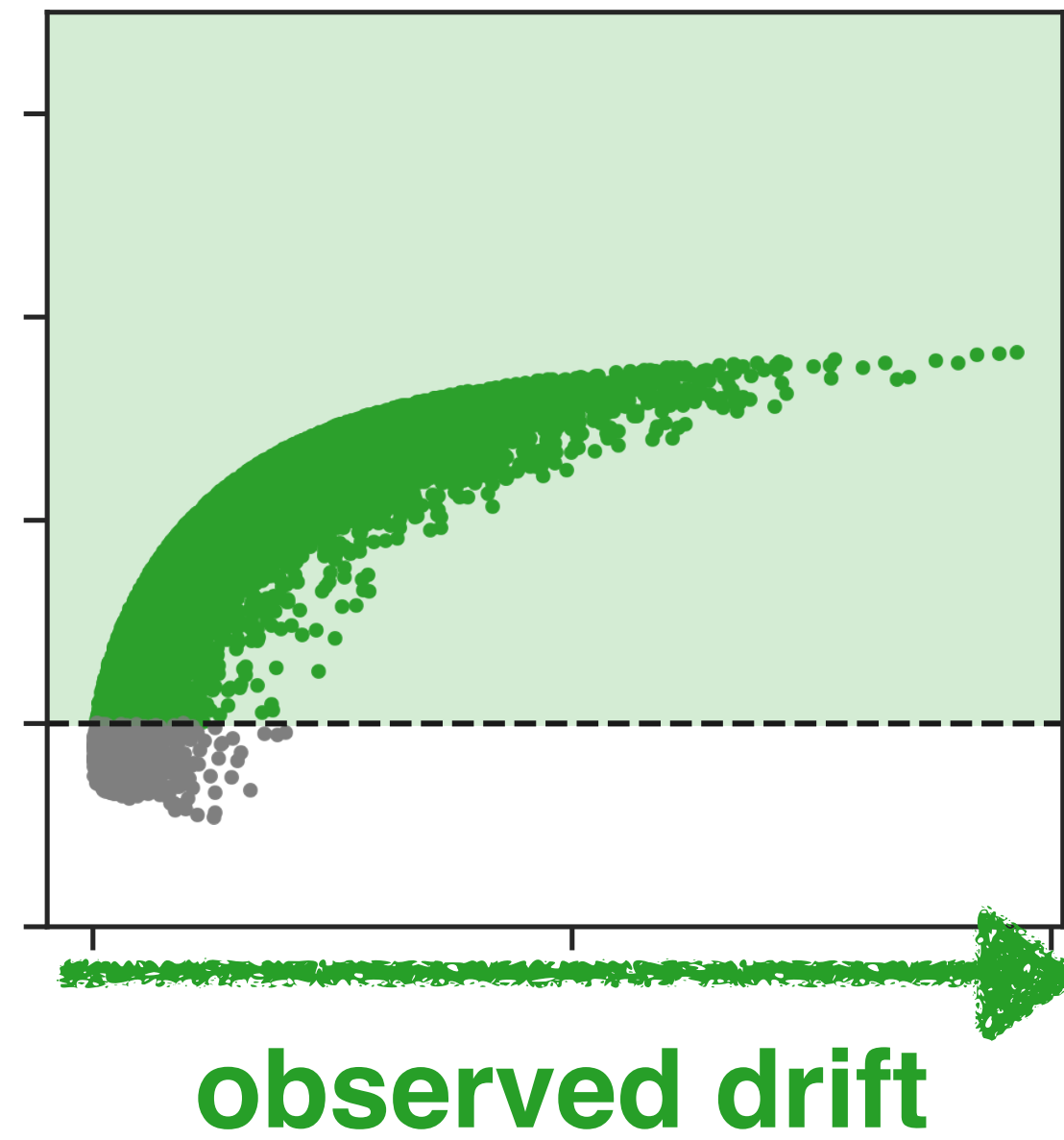


Robust Tuning

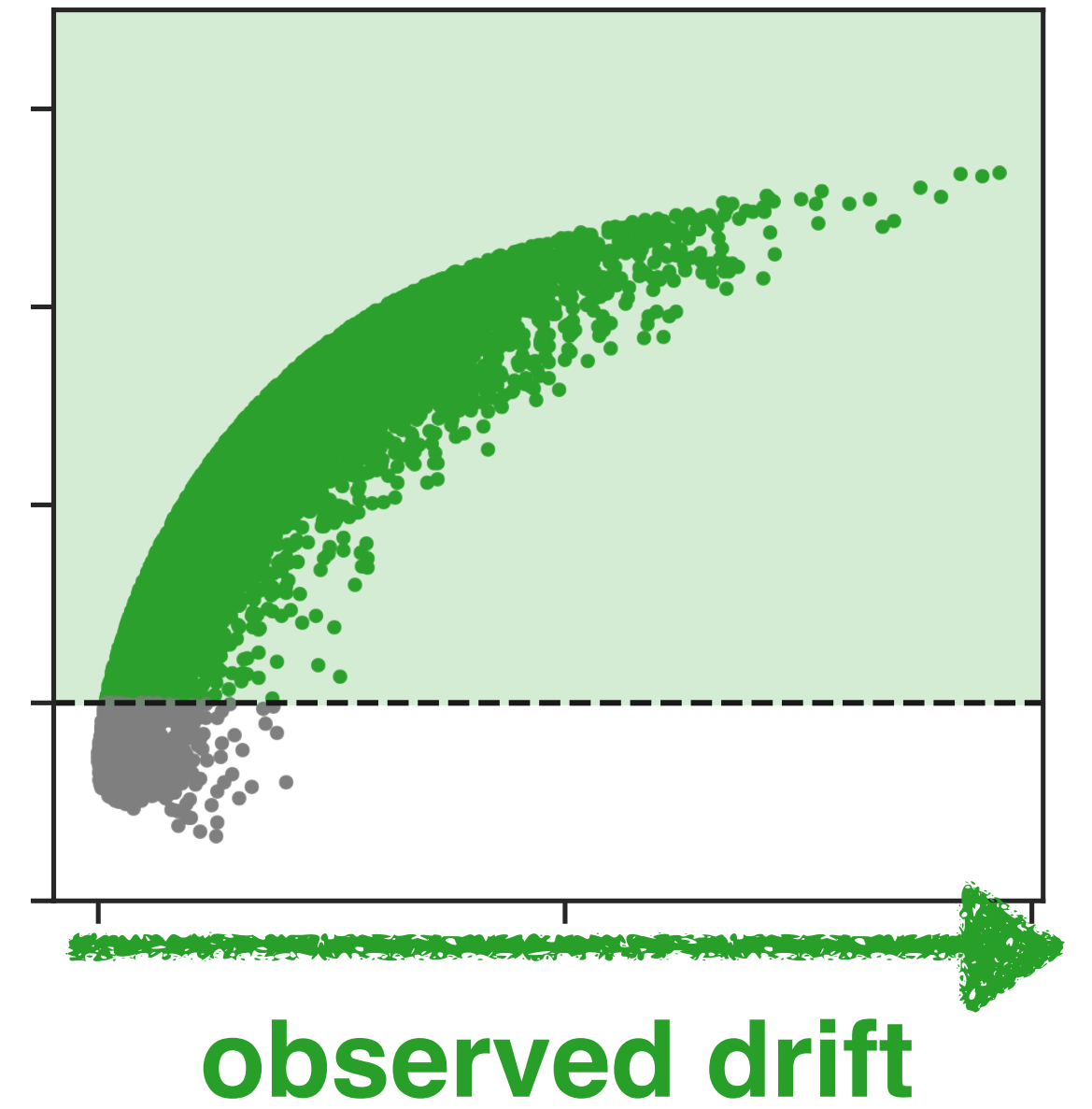
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Robust



Robust (for more noise)



expected workload drift



The **Key Takeaways**

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

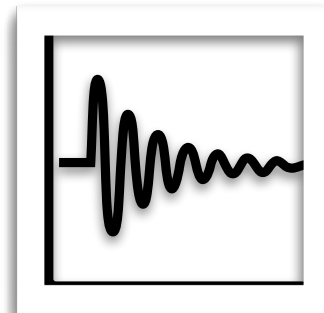
Read optimizations are crucial to make LSMs better.

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

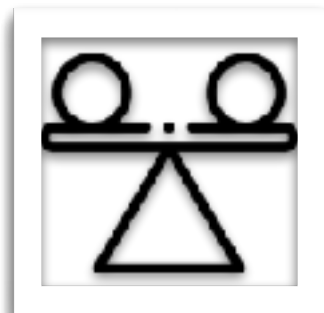
Open Research Challenges



Reduce write amplification



Workload-aware compactions & layout transformation



Performance Stability & Holistic Tuning



Automatic Tuning & Adaptive Behavior



Privacy-aware LSM designs

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