

Q-Store: Distributed, Multi-Partition Transactions via Queue-Oriented Execution and Communication



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Cloud Computing Trends

The rise of cloud computing

Large core counts

Large main-memory

	RAM	vCPUs
AWS ¹	24 TB	448
MSA ²	12 TB	416
GC ³	12 TB	416



Google Cloud



¹ <https://aws.amazon.com/ec2/instance-types/high-memory/>

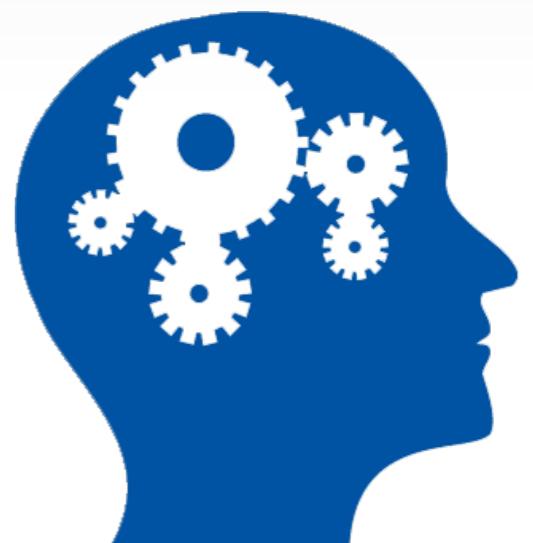
² <https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/pricing/details/virtual-machines/series/>

³ <https://cloud.google.com/compute/docs/machine-types>

Distributed Commit Protocols

Challenge ???

- Two-phase Commit (2PC)
- **Very good general solution and widely used**
- Adds **overhead per transaction**
- **Can we avoid using it?**



Distributed Deterministic Transaction Processing

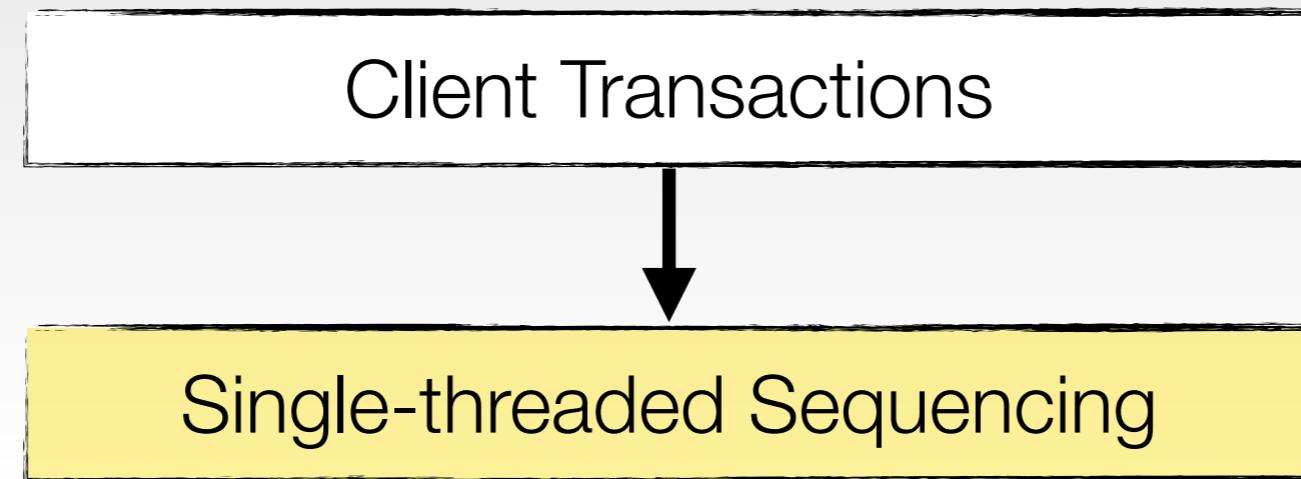
- Provides strict serializability
- **Avoids** non-deterministic transaction **aborts** due to concurrency control
- Removes the **coordination** for transaction-commit from the **critical path**
- Key limitations: requires **knowledge of full read/write sets of transactions prior to execution**

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Thomson et al. SIGMOD'12

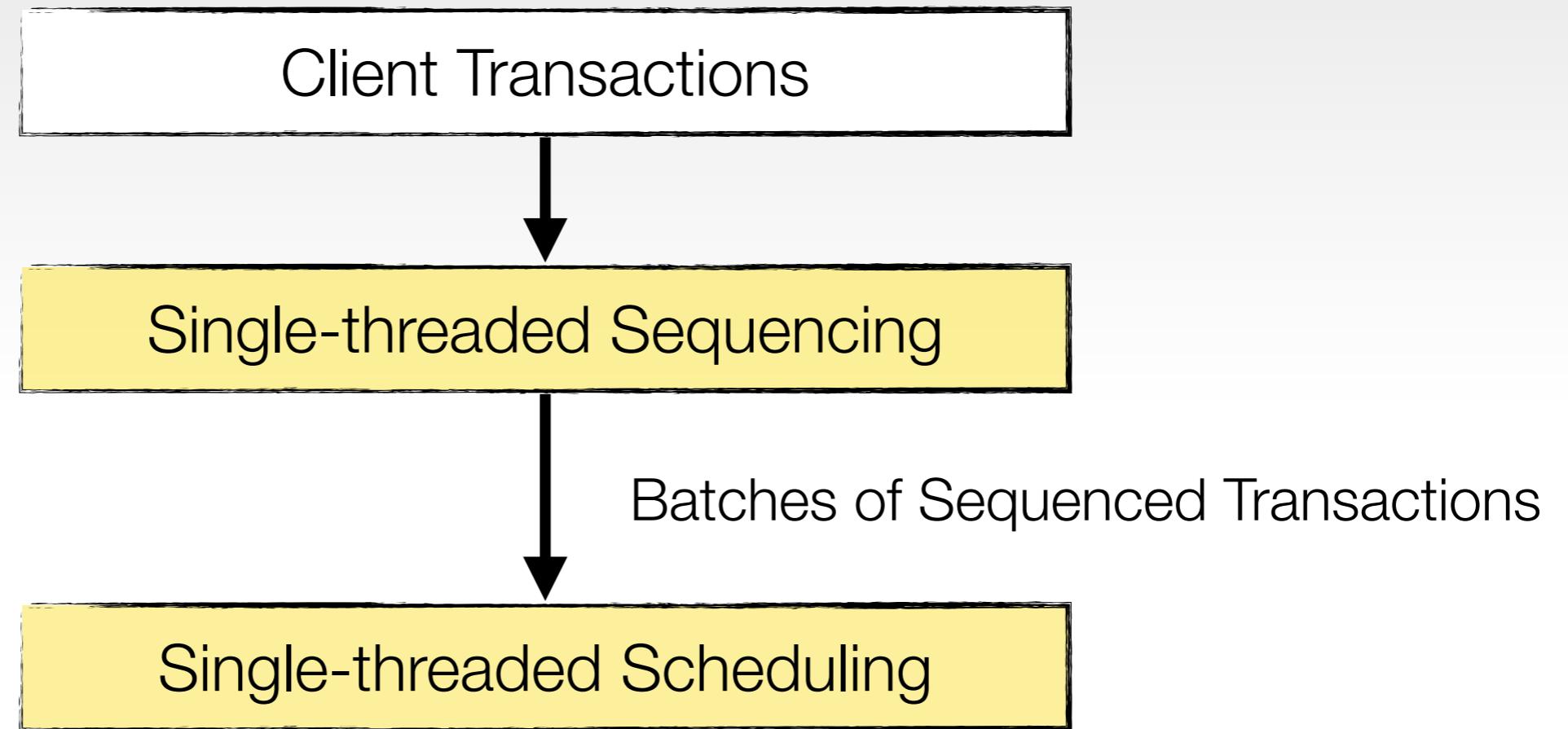
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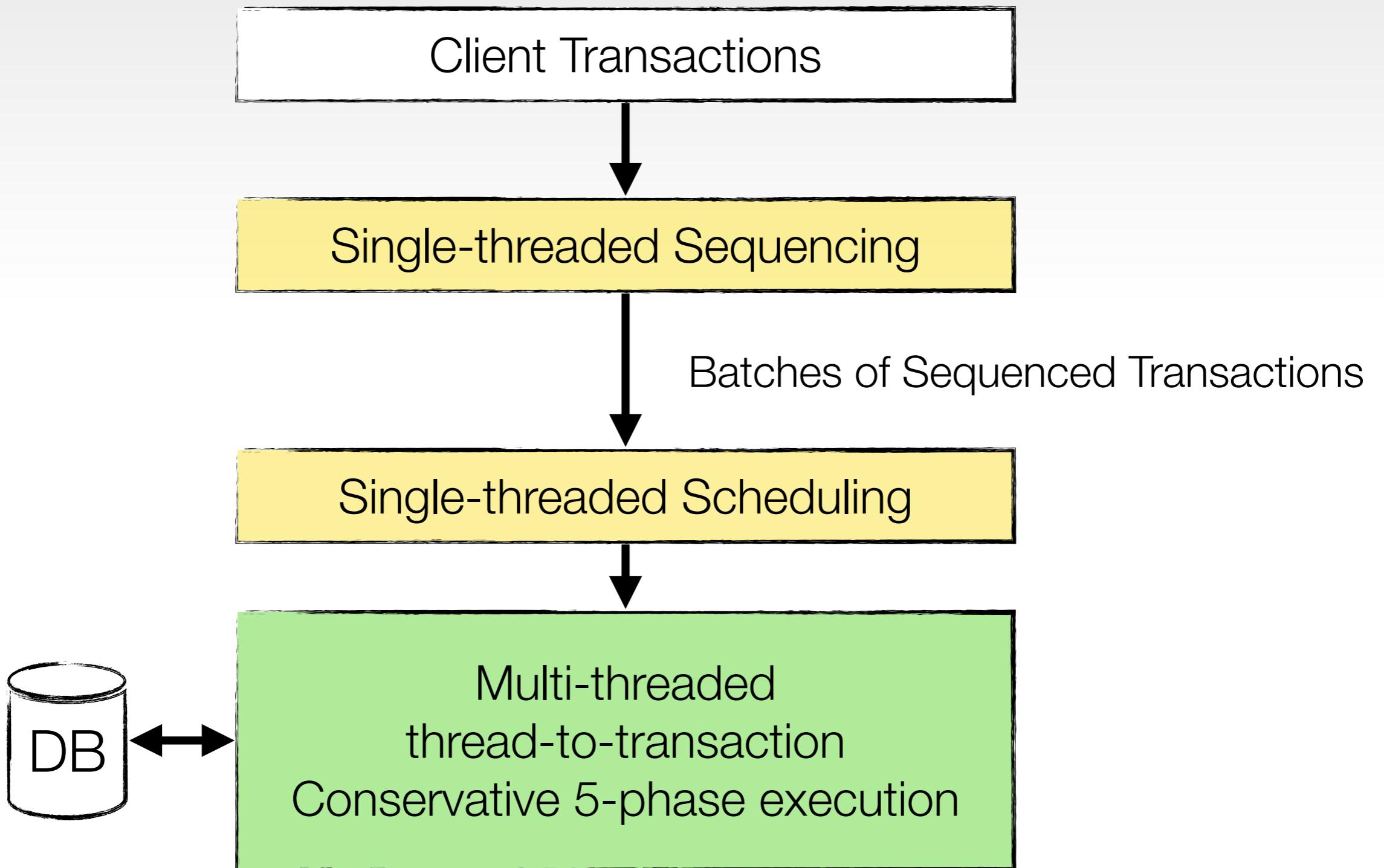
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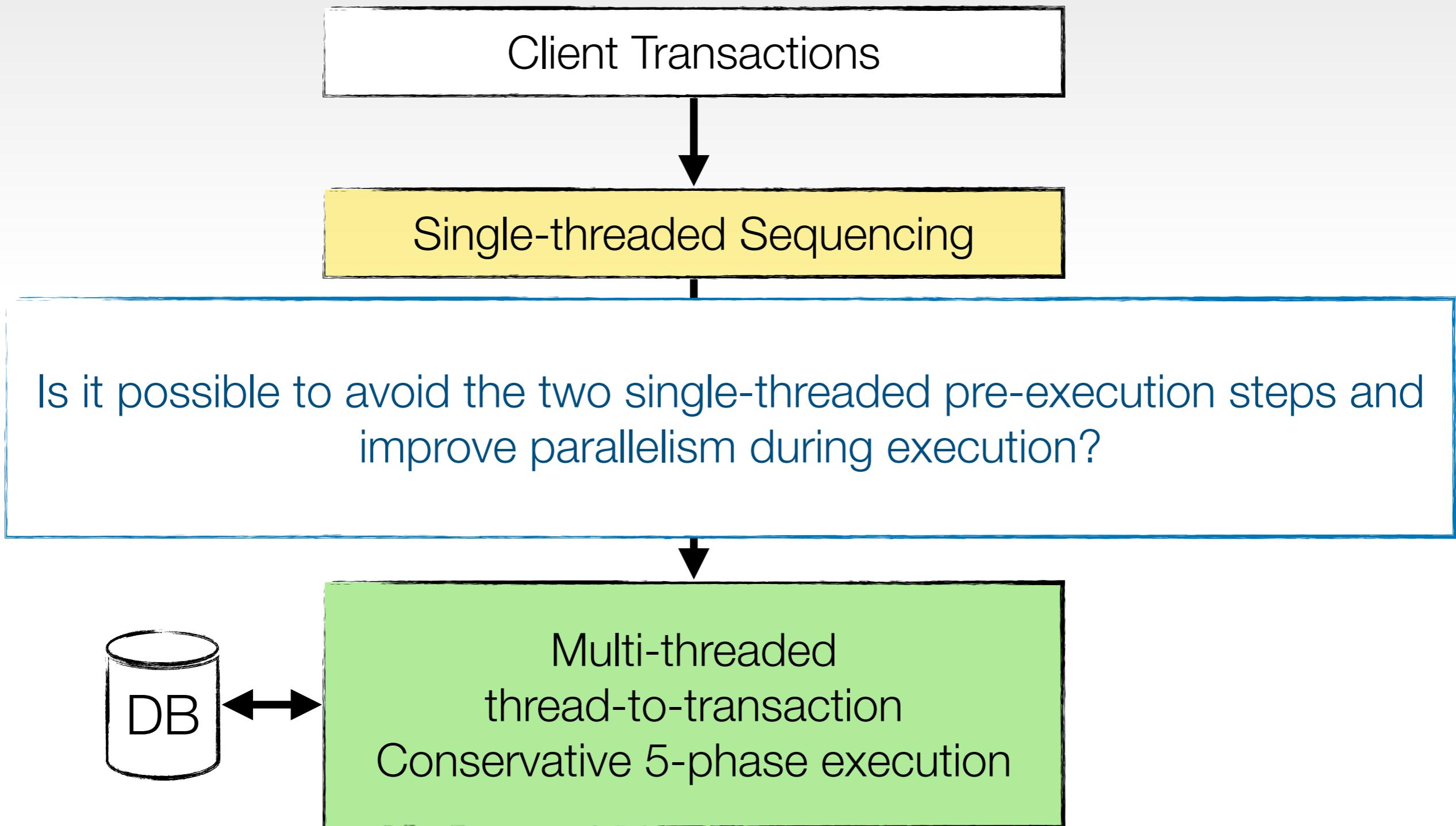
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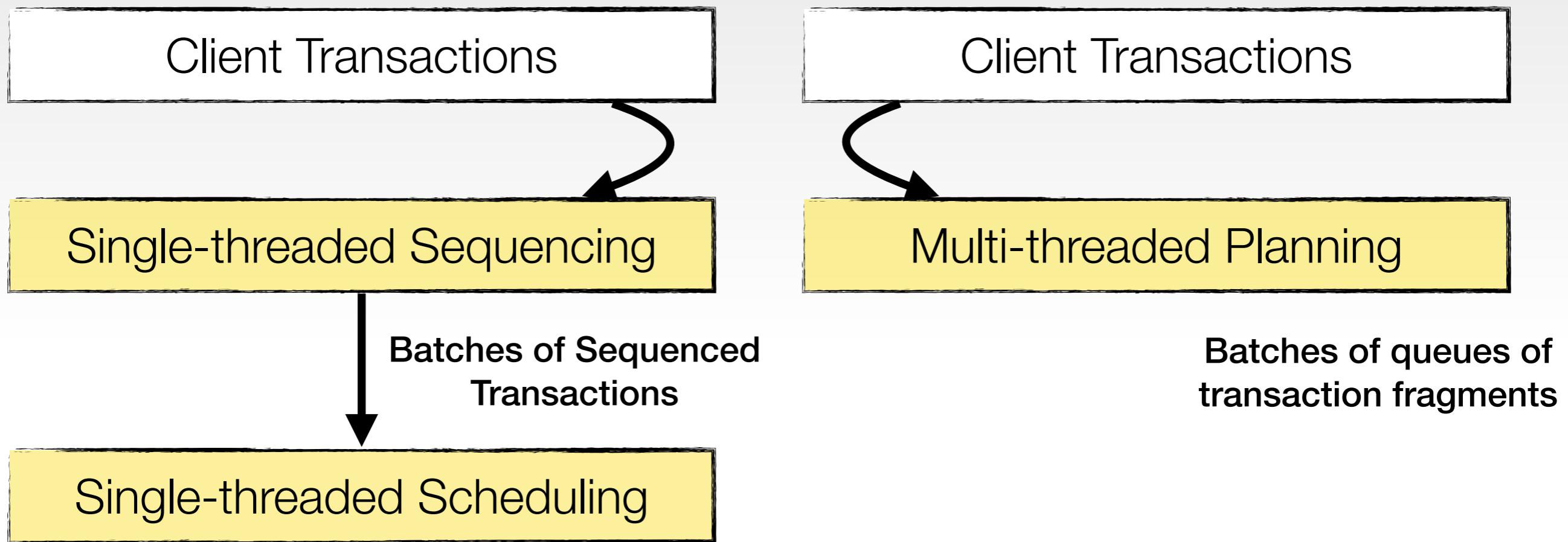
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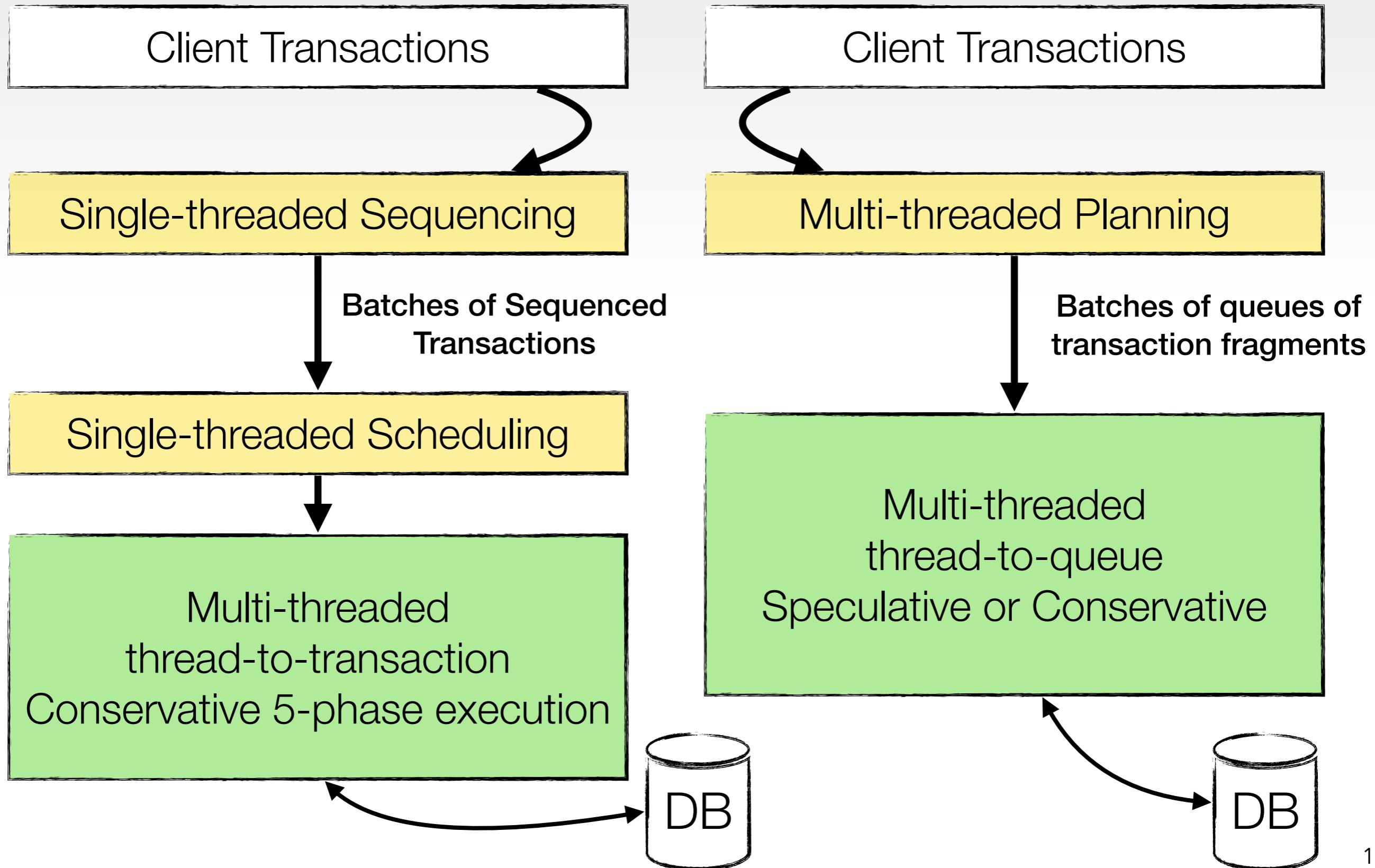
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Processing Transactions in Q-Store

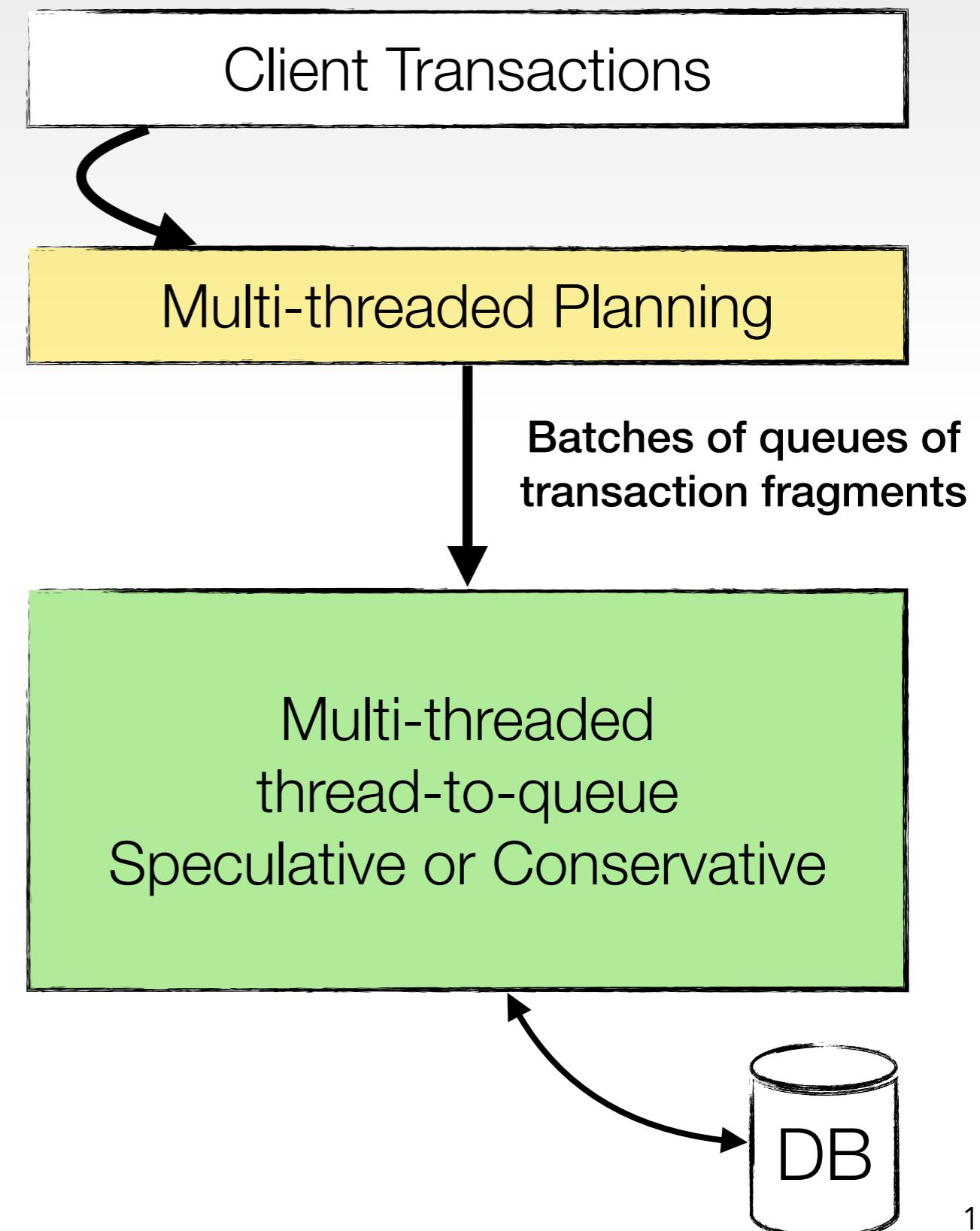
Planning Phase

1. Breakdown transactions into fragments
2. Create prioritized execution-queues of transaction fragments
3. Enforce a strict serial order of conflicting fragments within an execution-queue

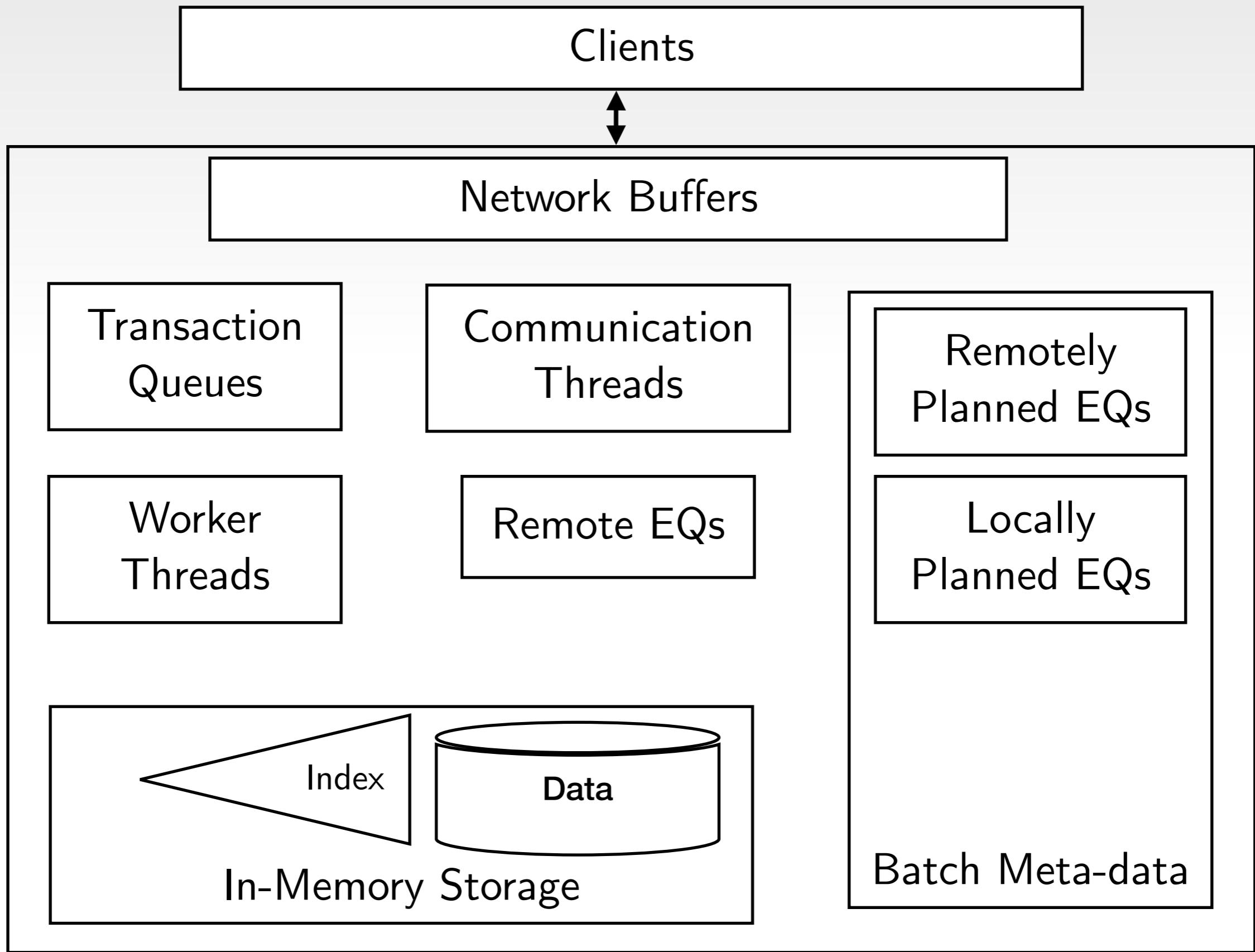
Execution Phase

Process queues while maintaining the **global execution priority invariant**:

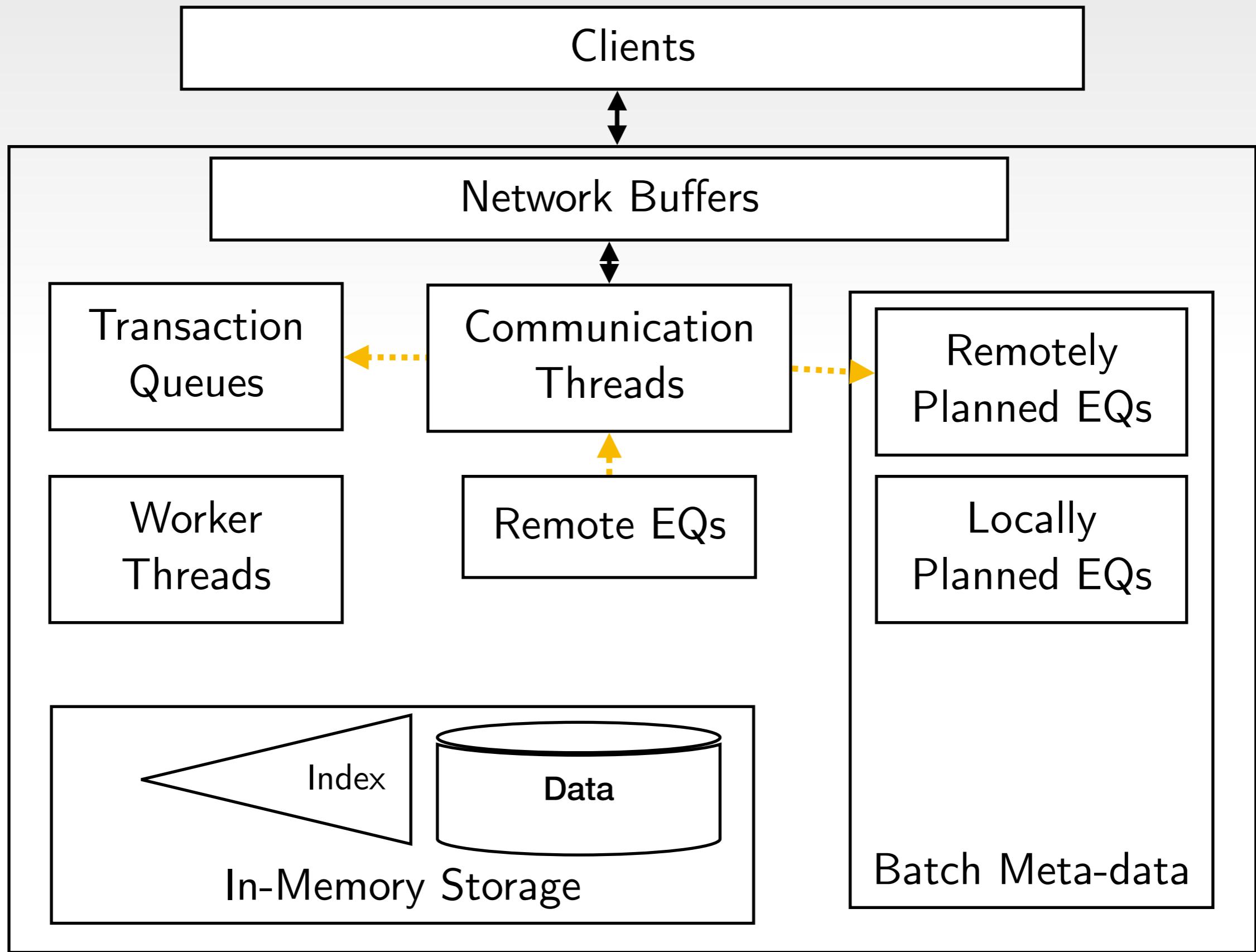
Operations belonging to higher priority execution-queues must always be executed before executing any conflicting lower priority operations.



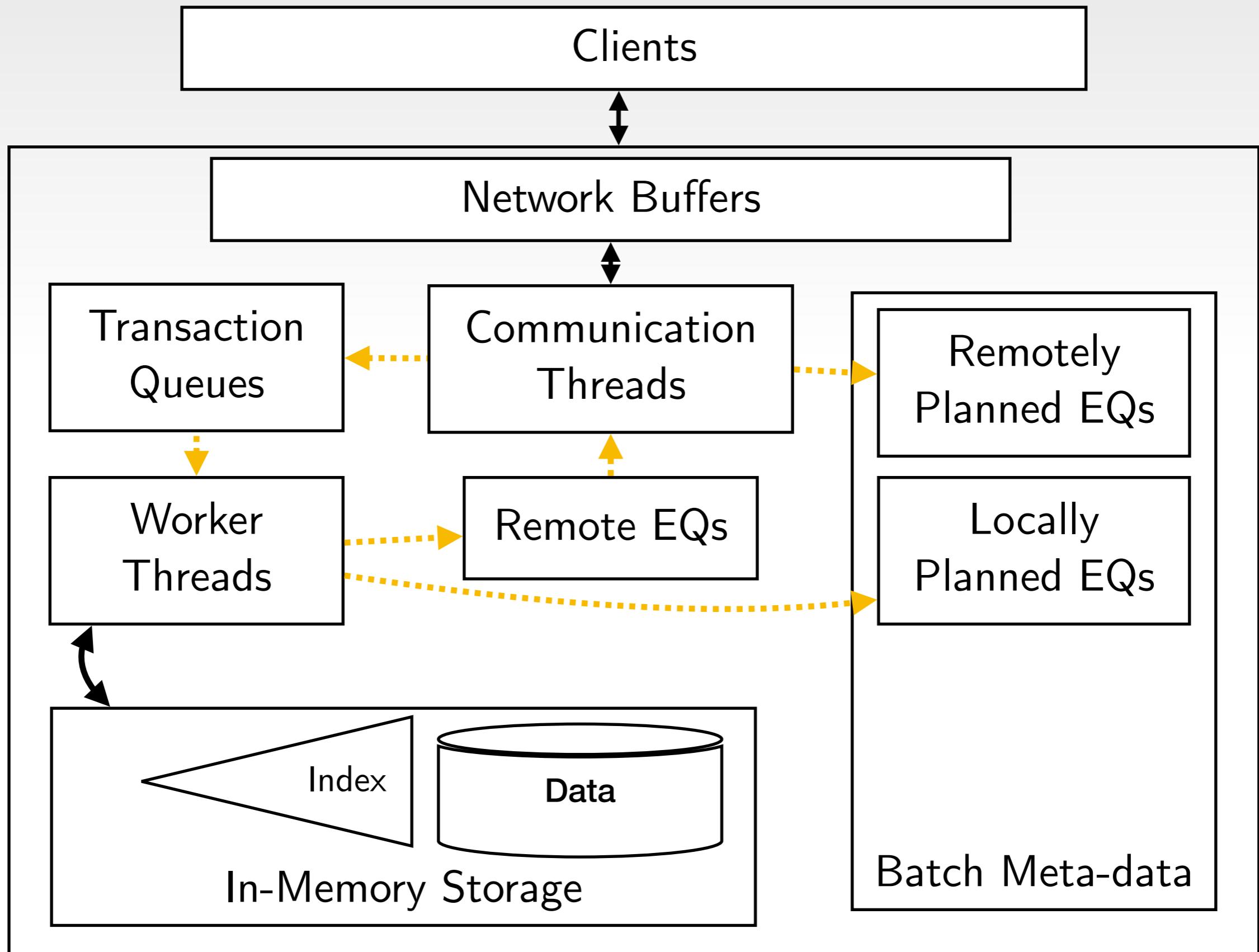
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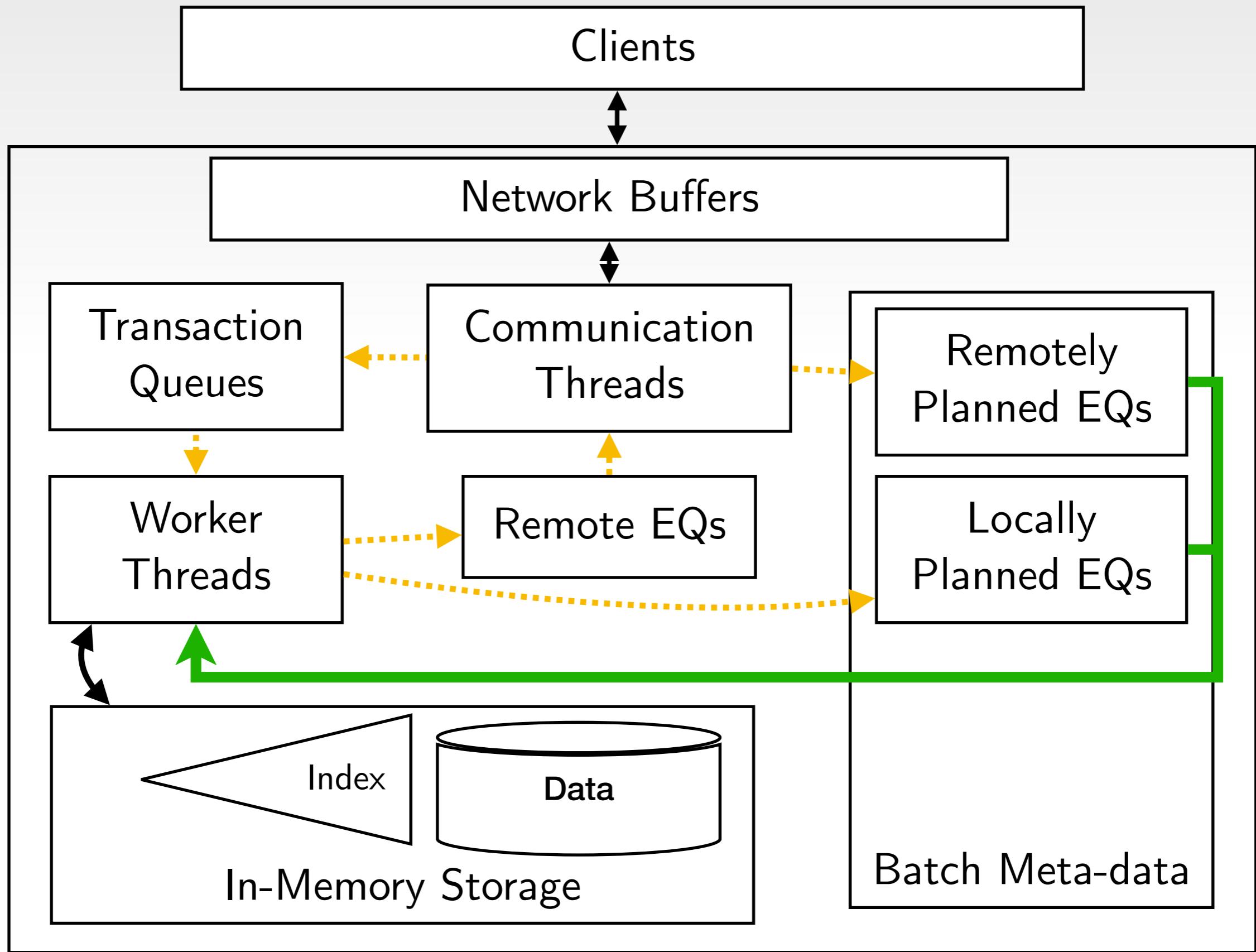
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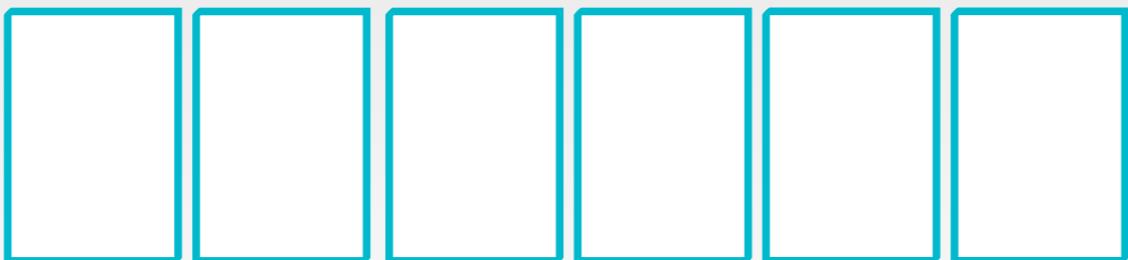


Q-Store

Planning
thread 1

w ₂ (c)	r ₁ (a)
r ₂ (a)	r ₁ (e)
r ₂ (e)	w ₁ (c)

High-priority Queues

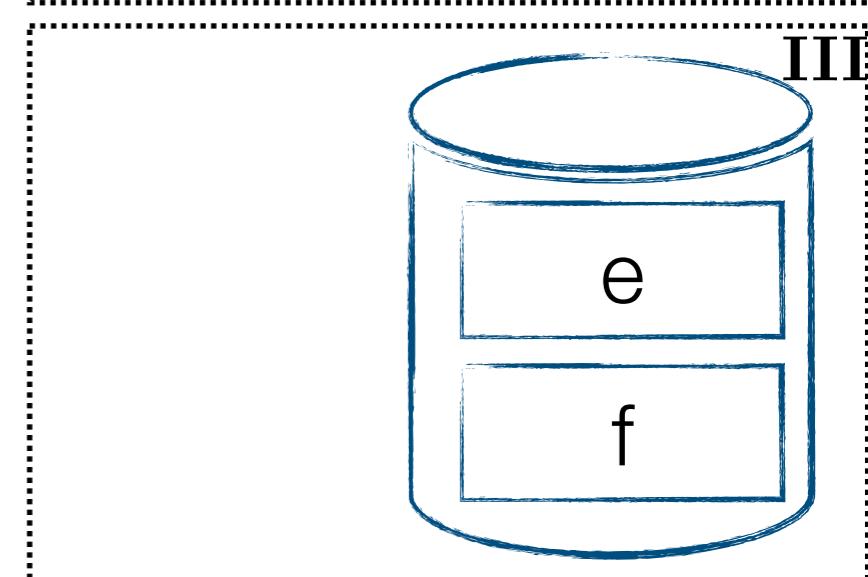
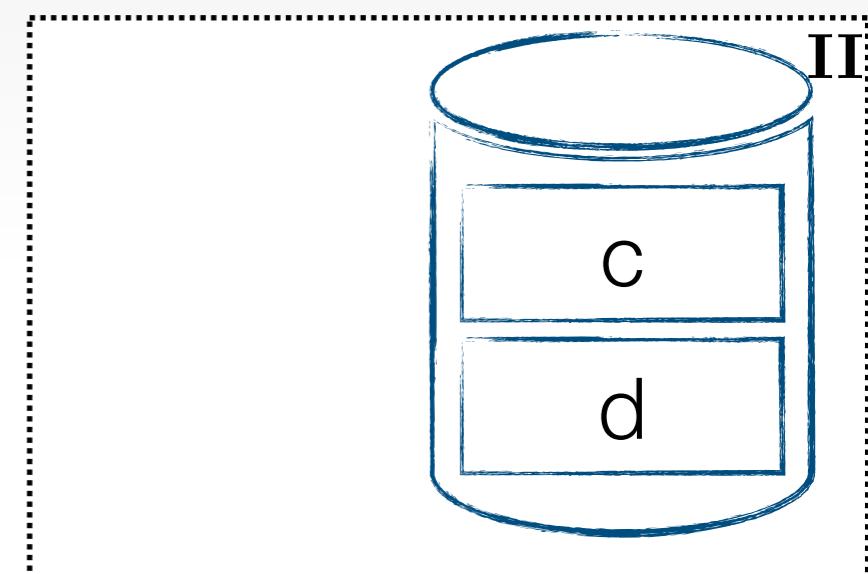
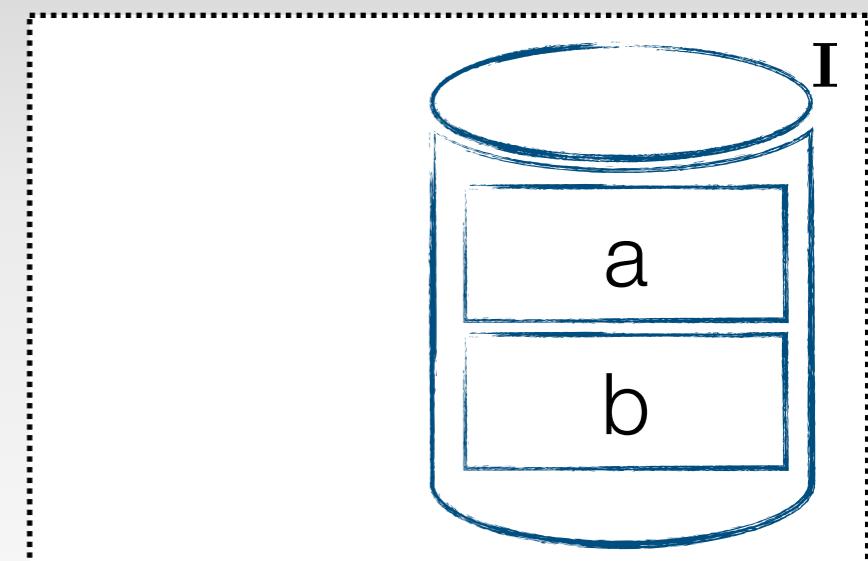
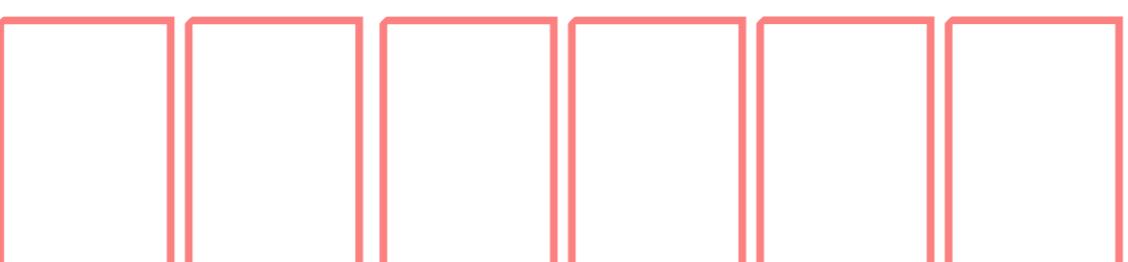


**Client
Transactions**

Planning
thread 2

w ₄ (e)	w ₃ (e)
r ₄ (f)	r ₃ (c)

Low-priority Queues



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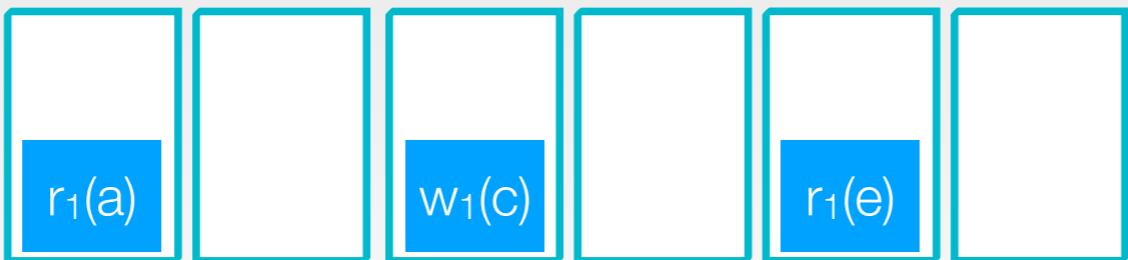
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Q-Store

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w₂(c)
r₂(a)
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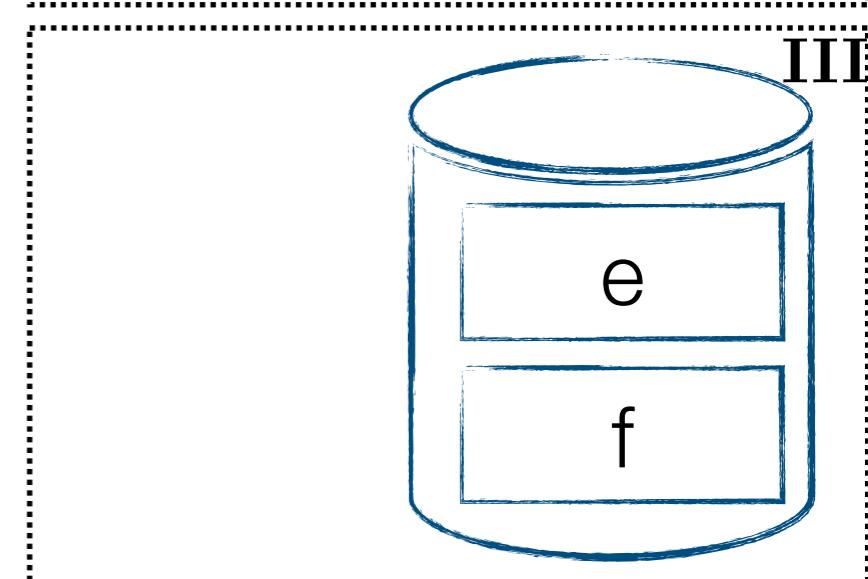
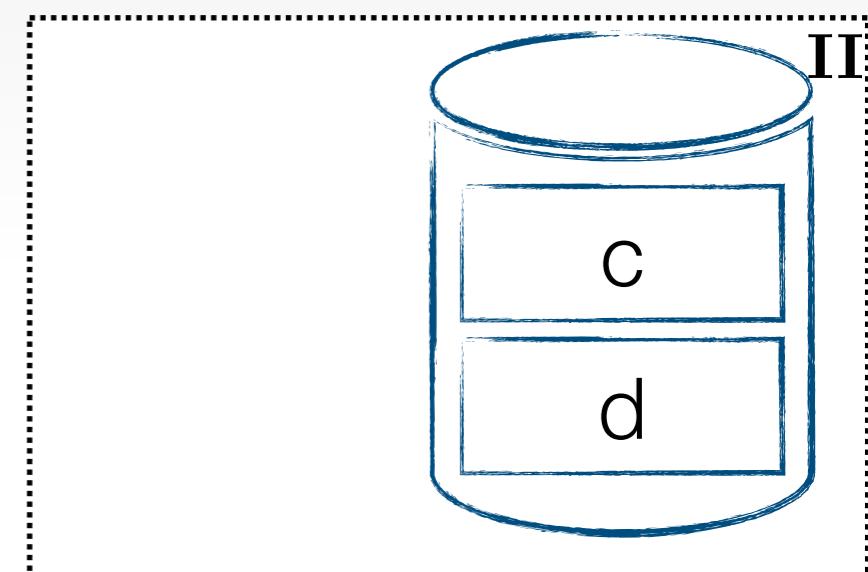
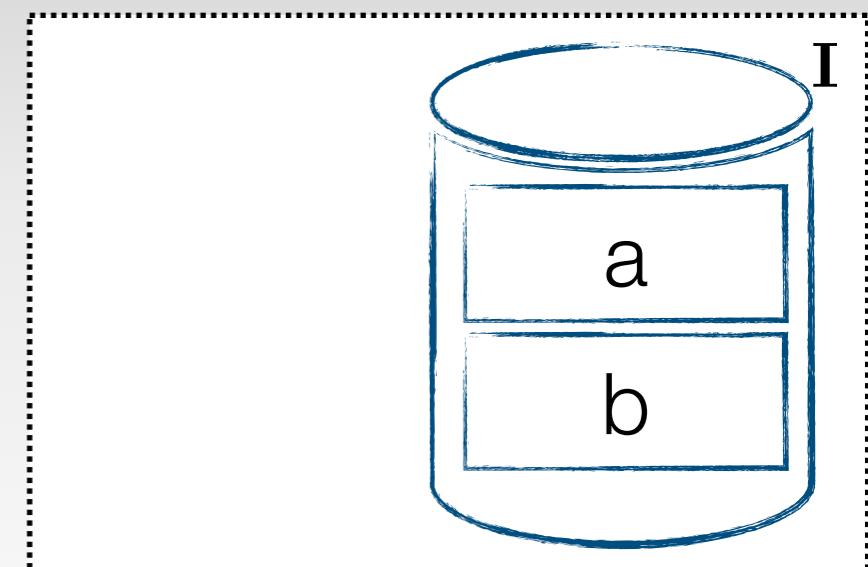
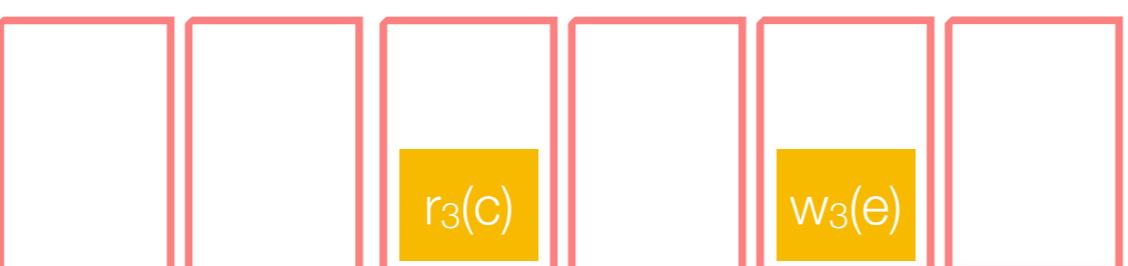
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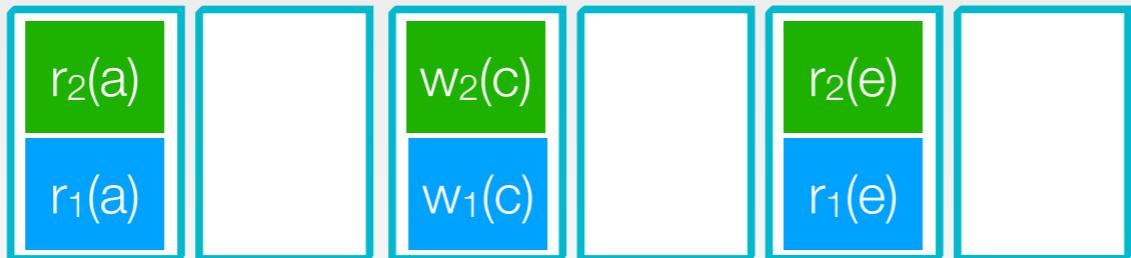
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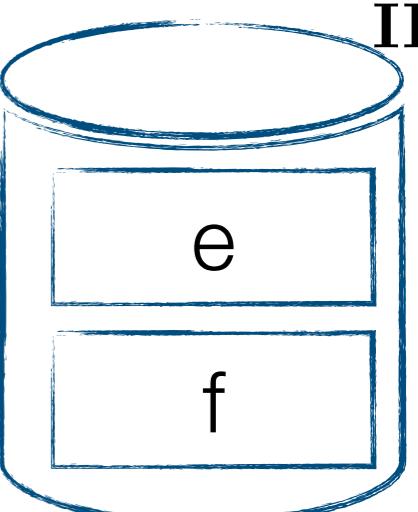
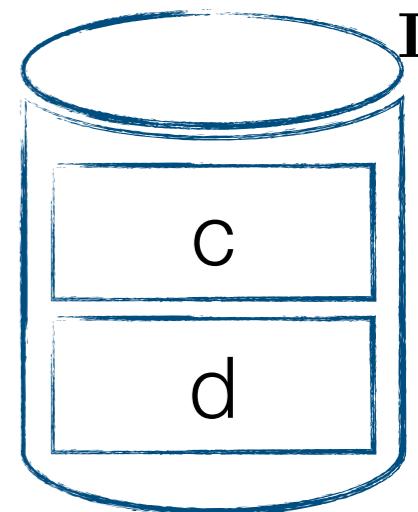
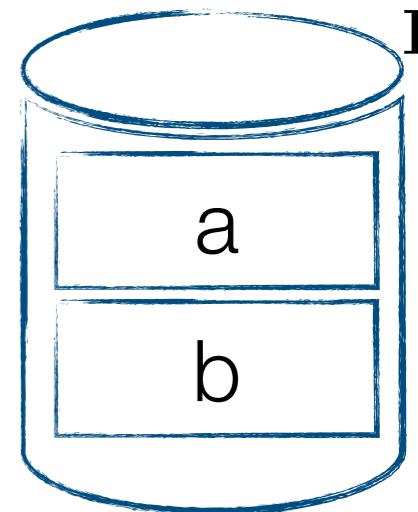
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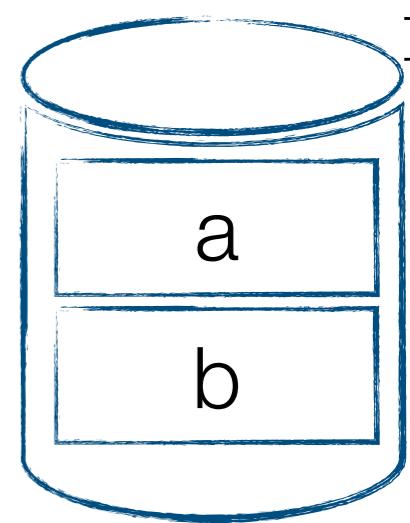
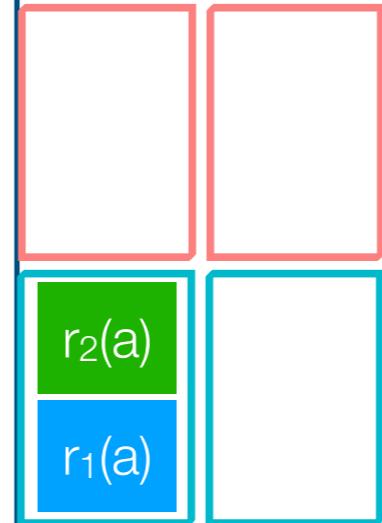
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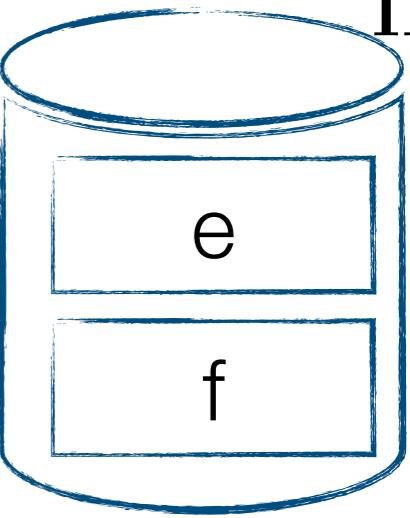
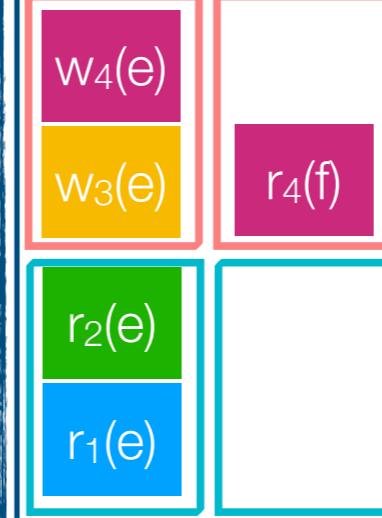
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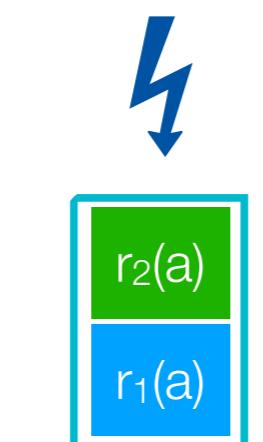


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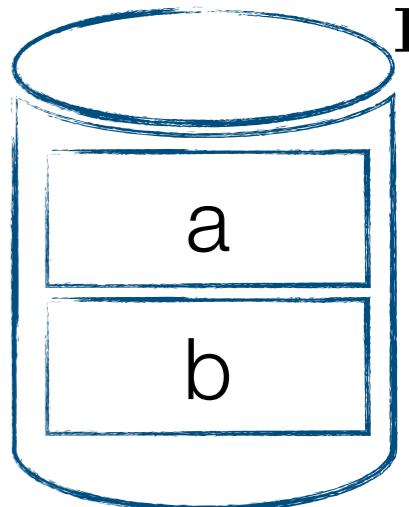


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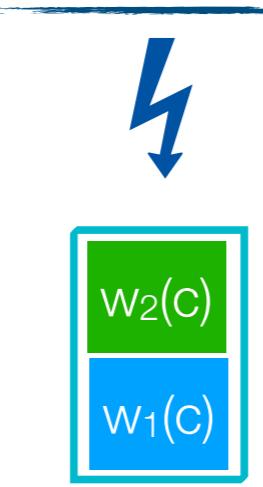
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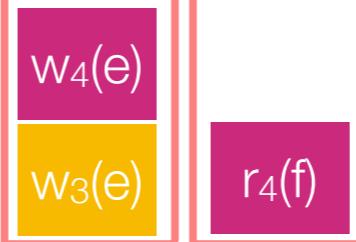
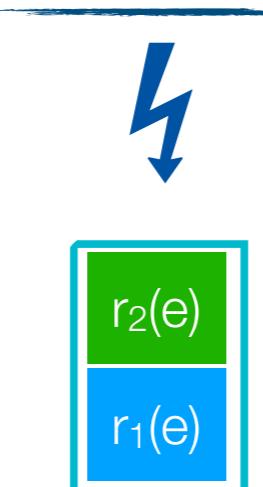
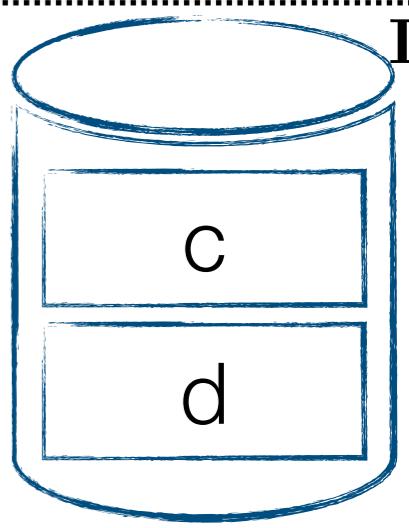
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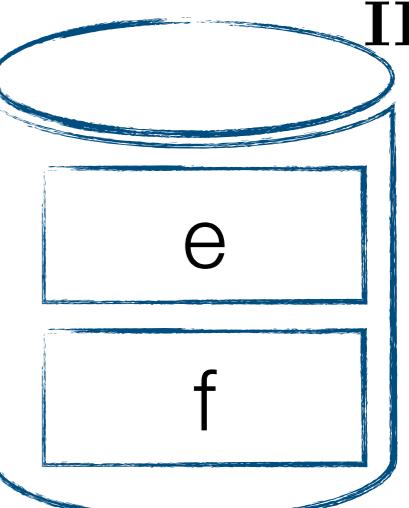
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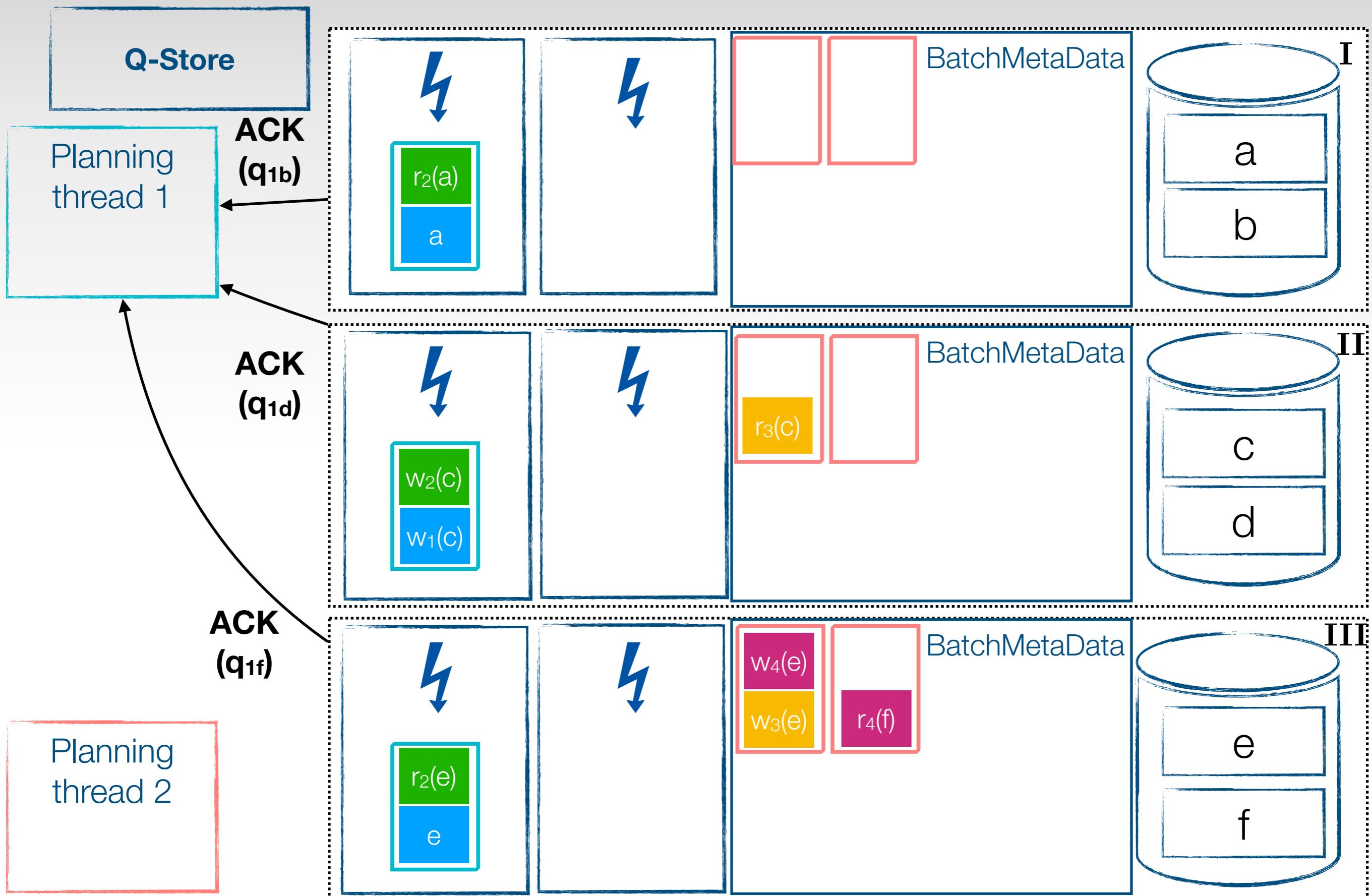
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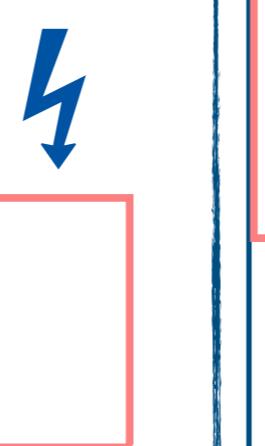
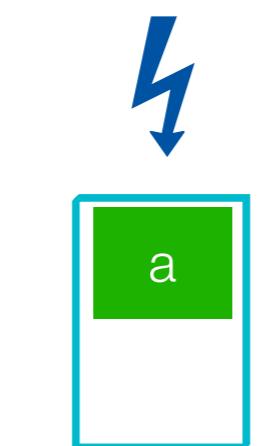
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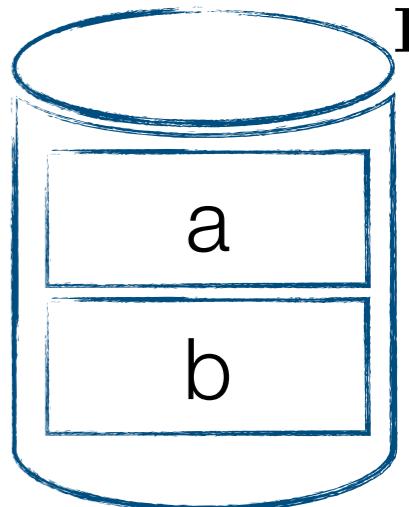


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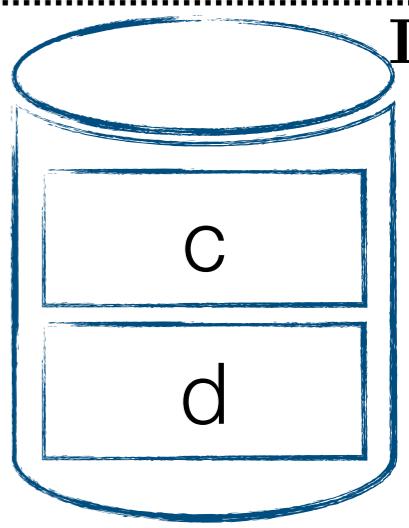
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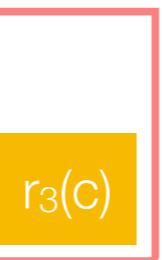
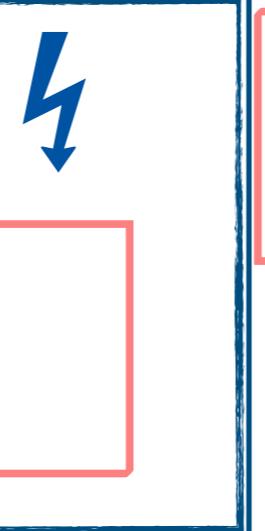
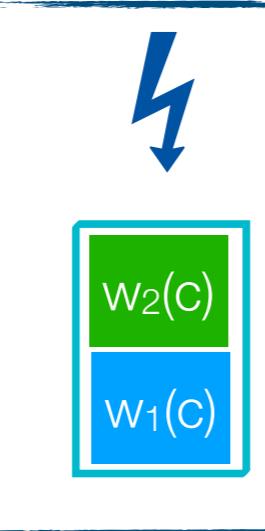
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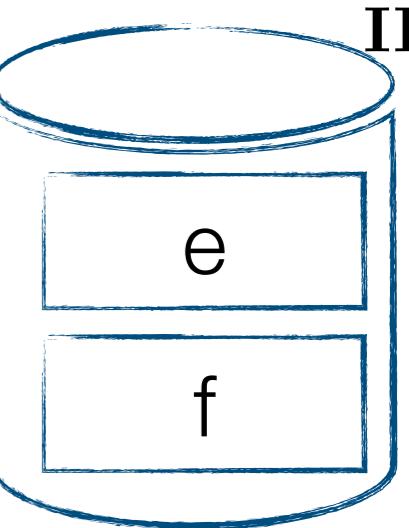
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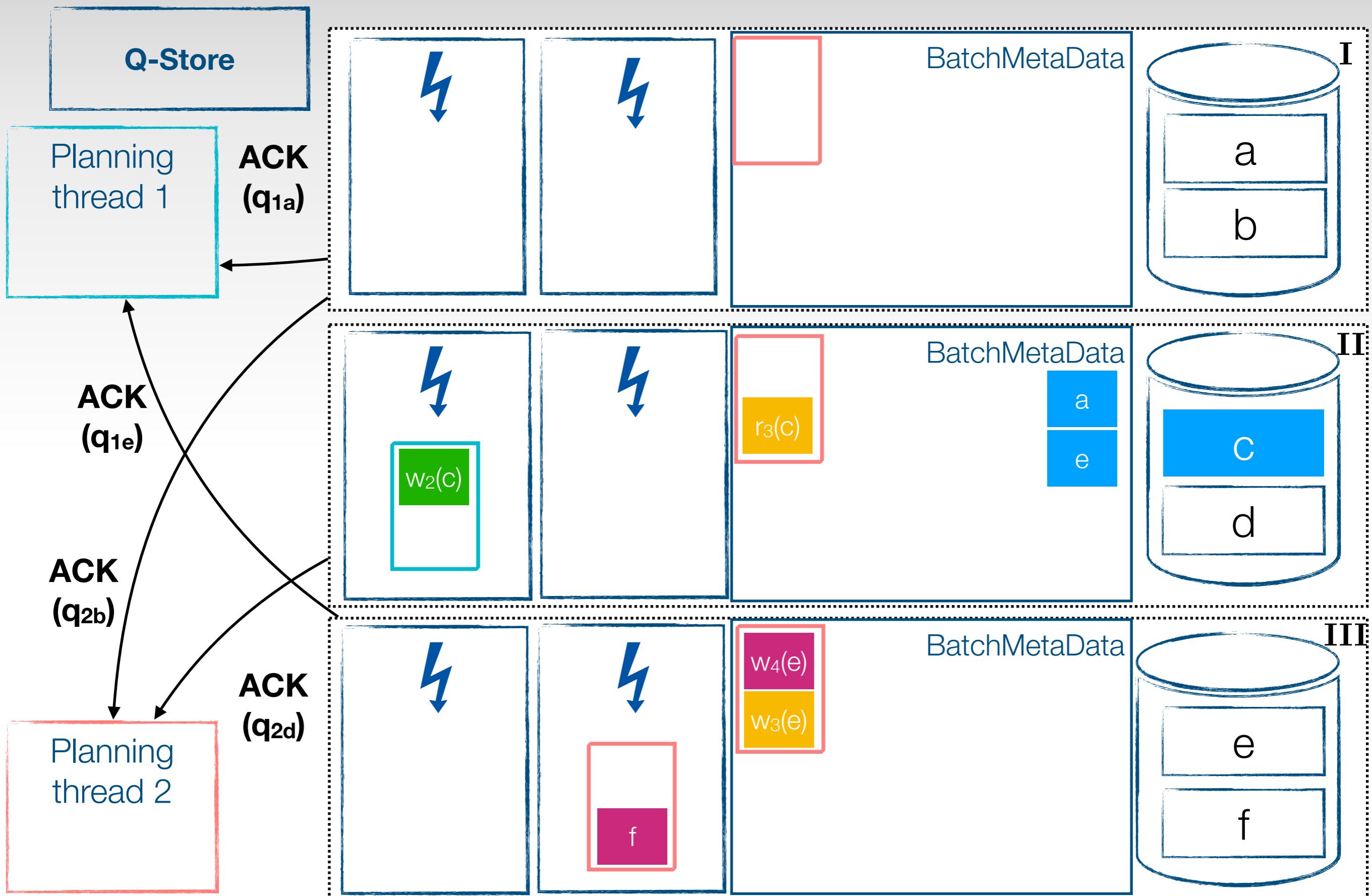
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Q-Store

Planning
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BatchMetaData

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b

**ACK
(q_{1c})**



BatchMetaData

c
d

Planning
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**ACK
(q_{2f})**

w₄(e)
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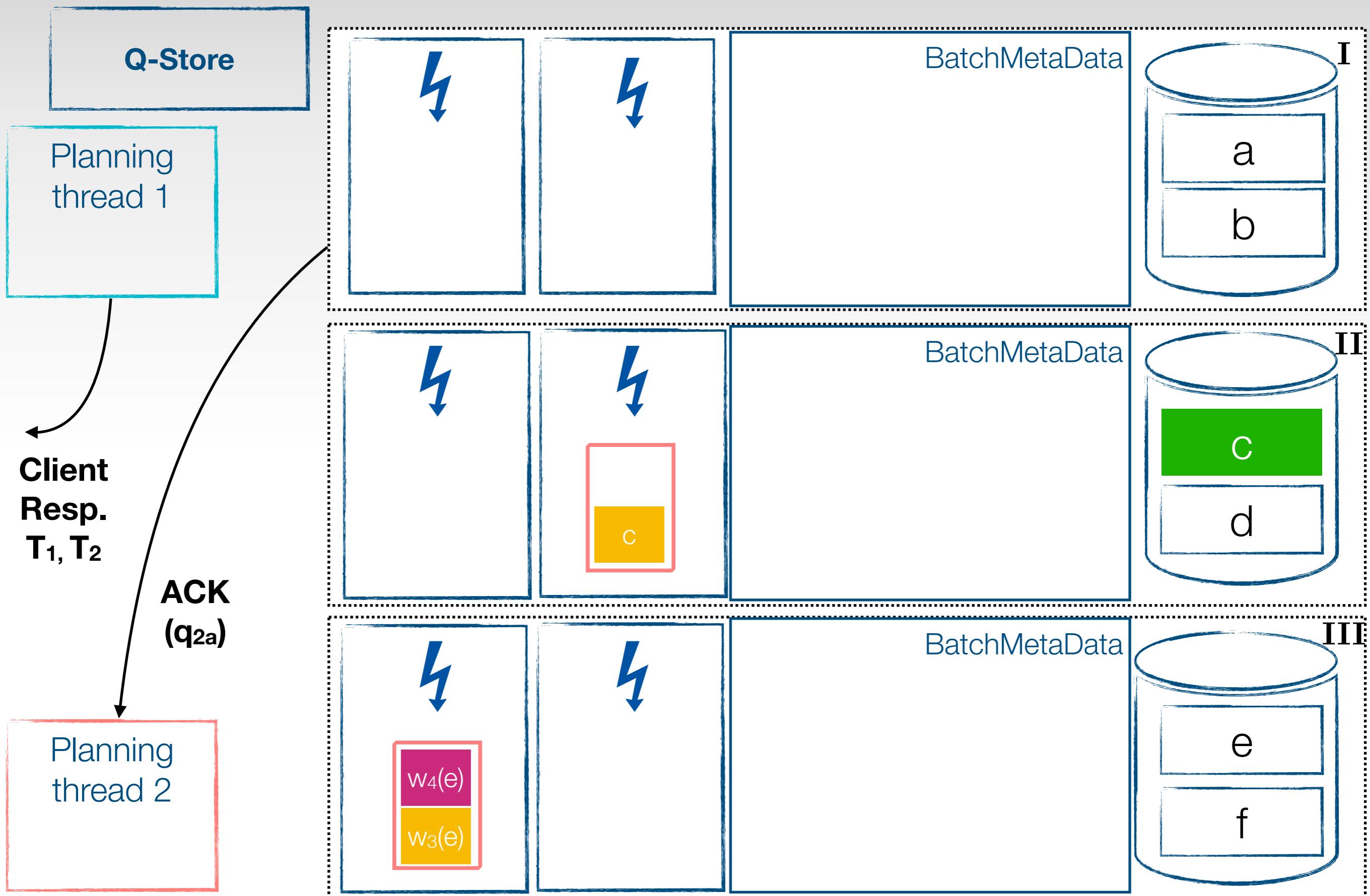
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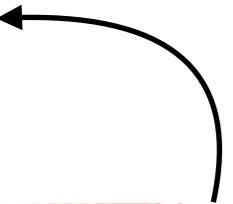
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Evaluation Environment



Hardware

32 (16 clients + 16 servers) AWS EC2 c5.2xlarge instances
with:

CPU: 8 vCPUs

RAM: 16GB

Workload

YCSB: 1 table, RMW and Read-only operations, Uniform and Zipfian distribution

TPC-C: 9 tables, Payment and NewOrder

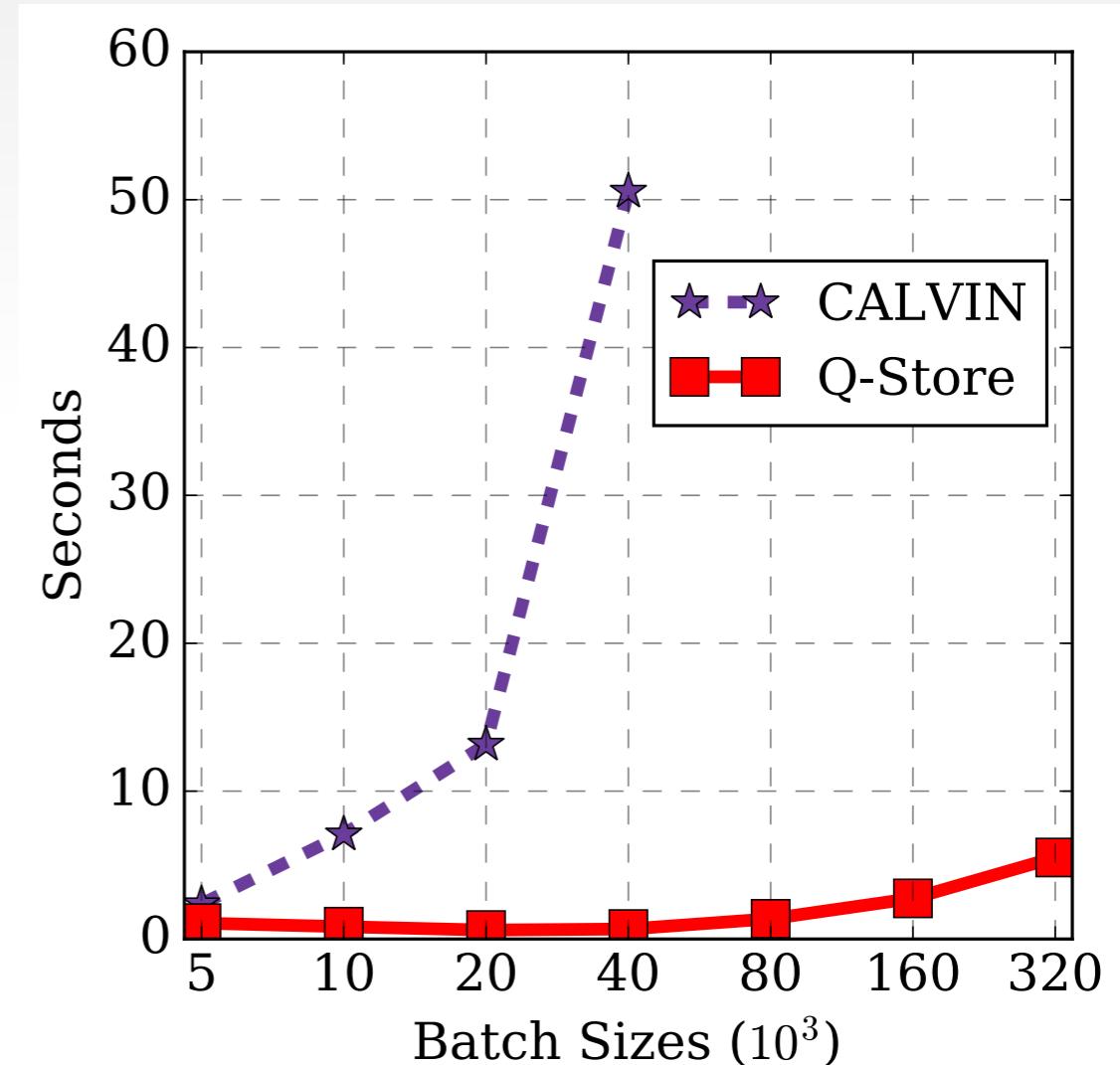
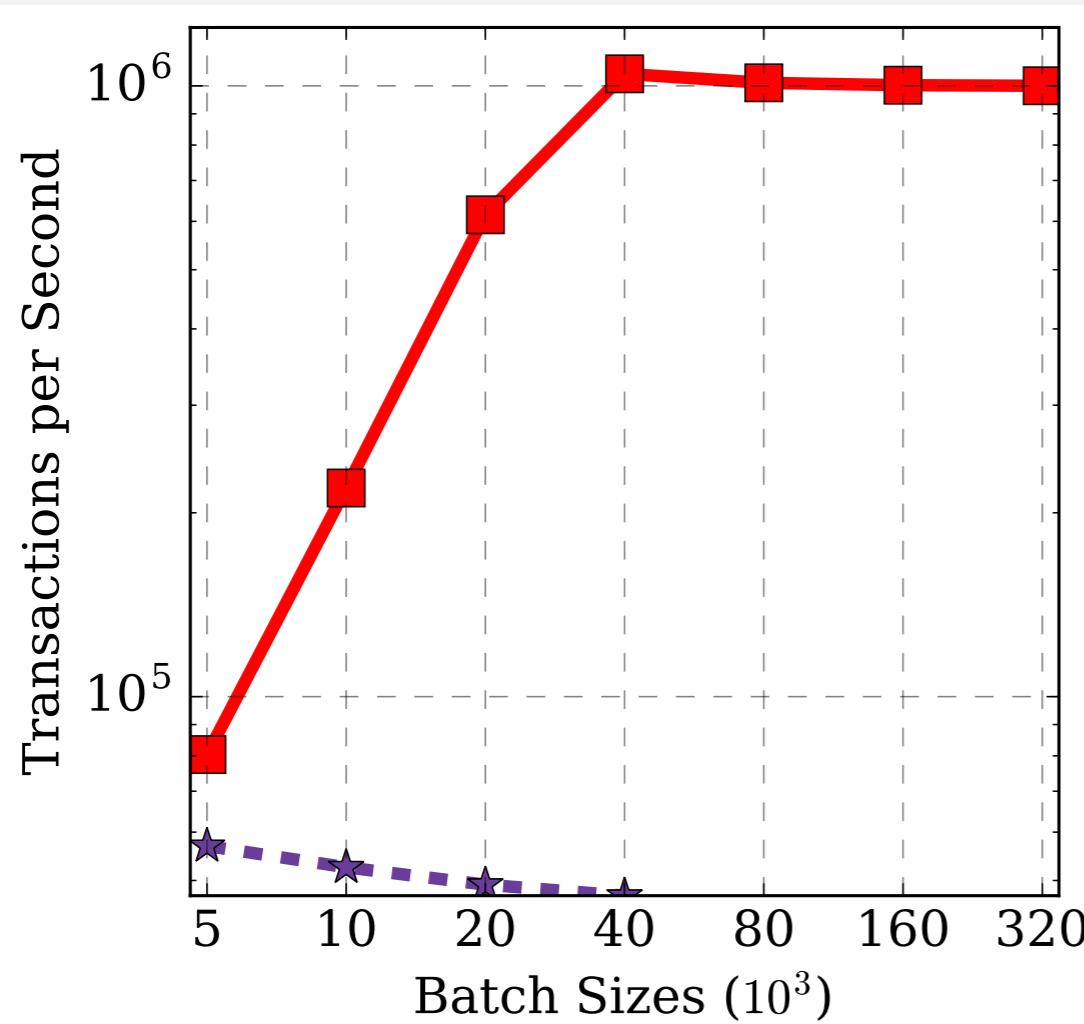
Software

Operating System: Ubuntu LTS 16.04.3

Compiler: GCC with -O2 compiler optimizations

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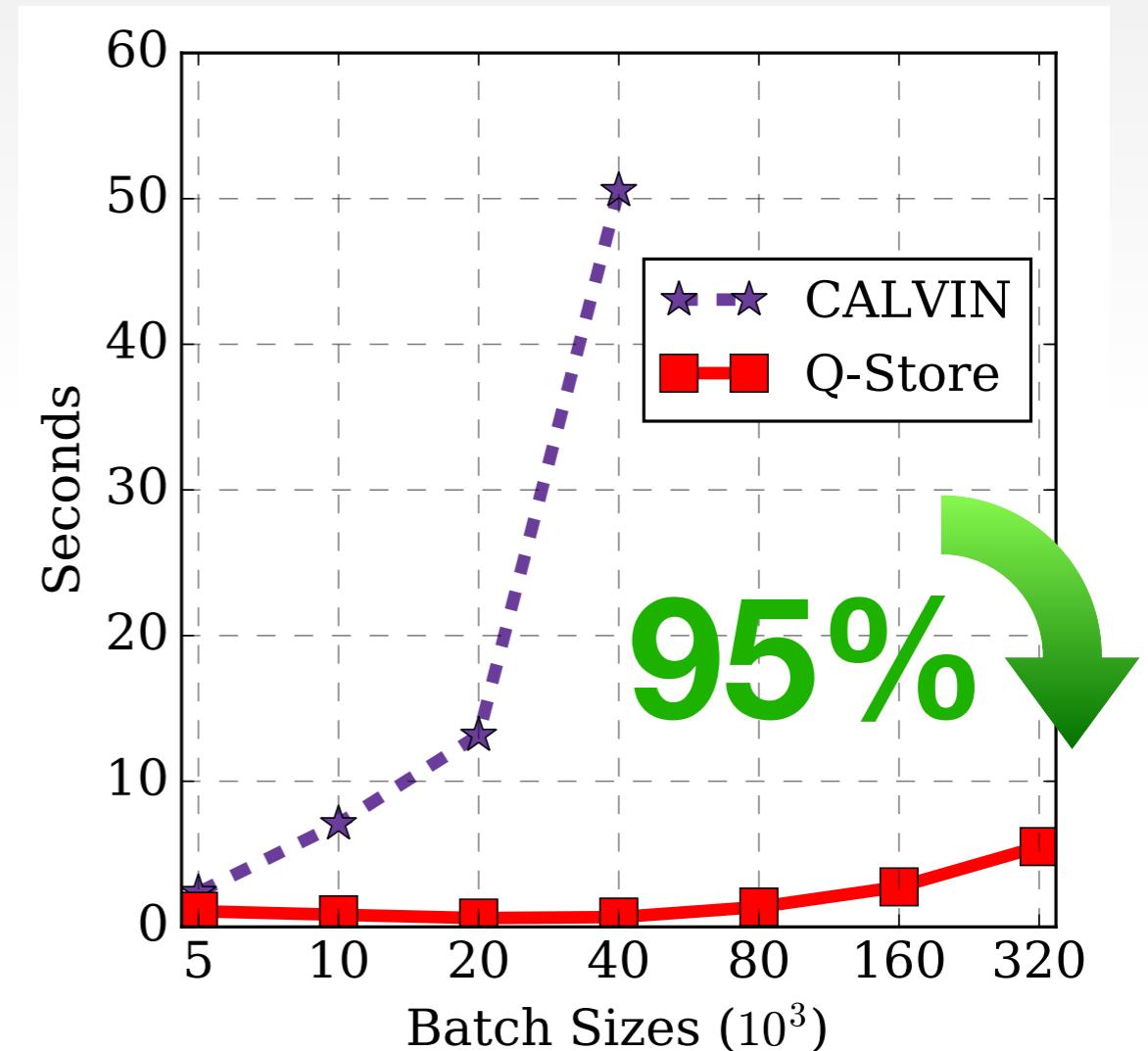
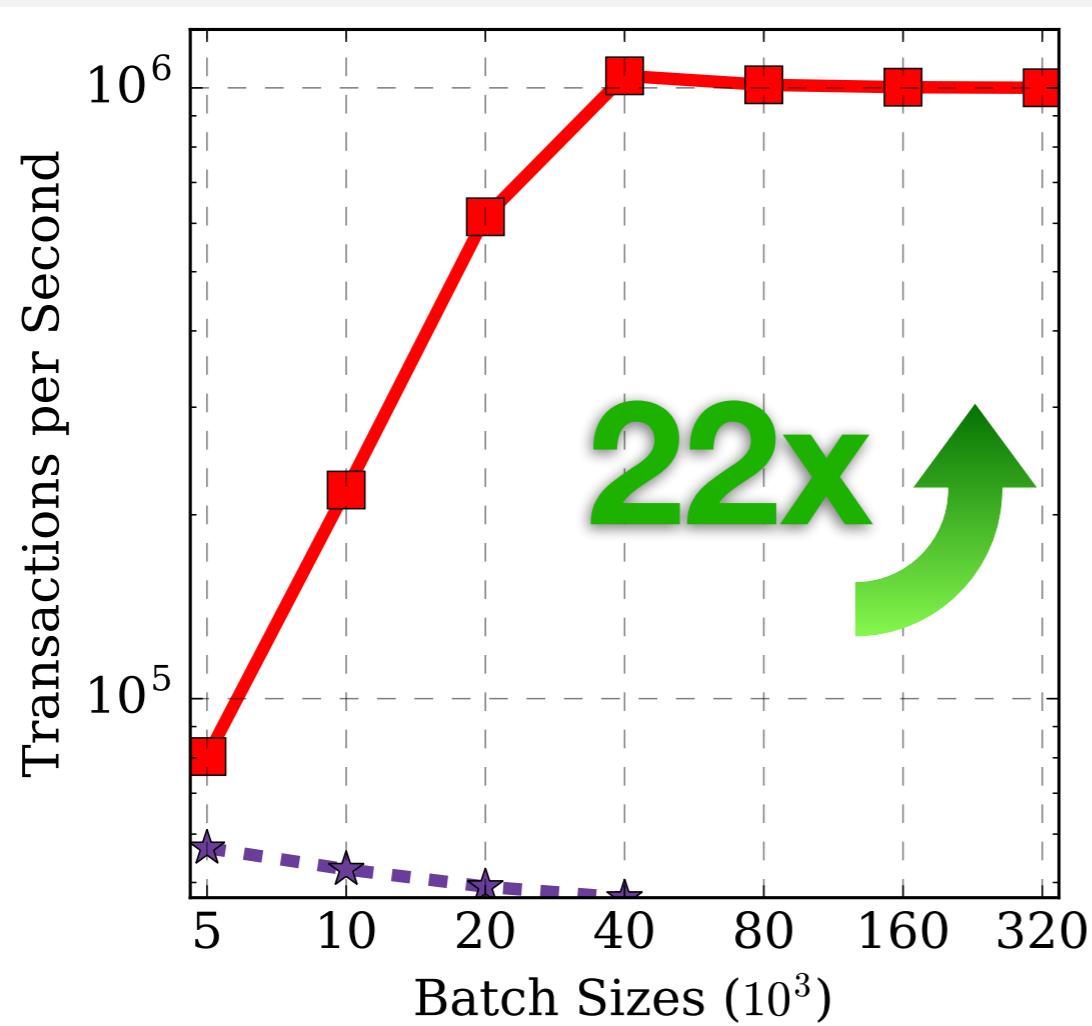
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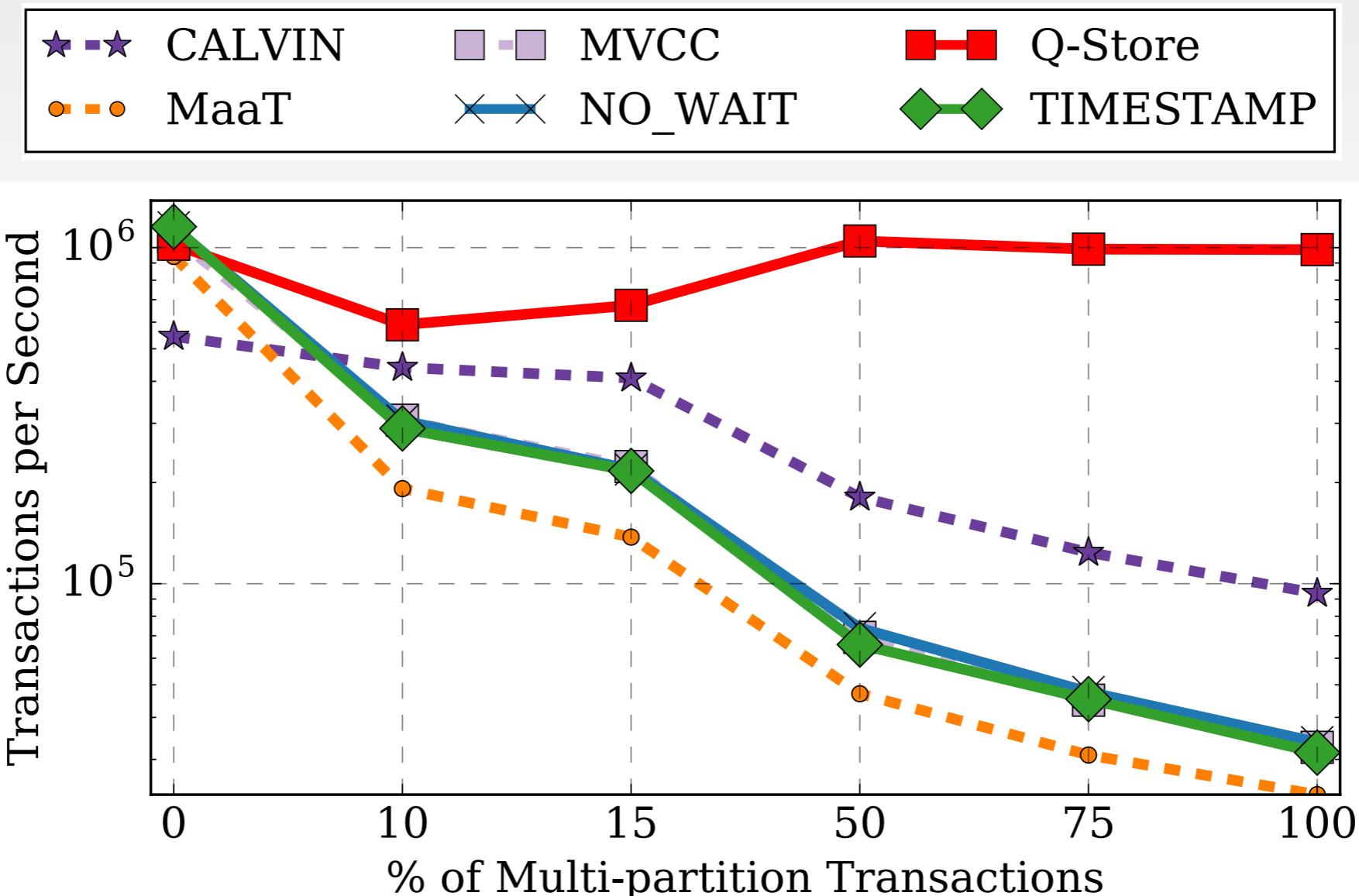
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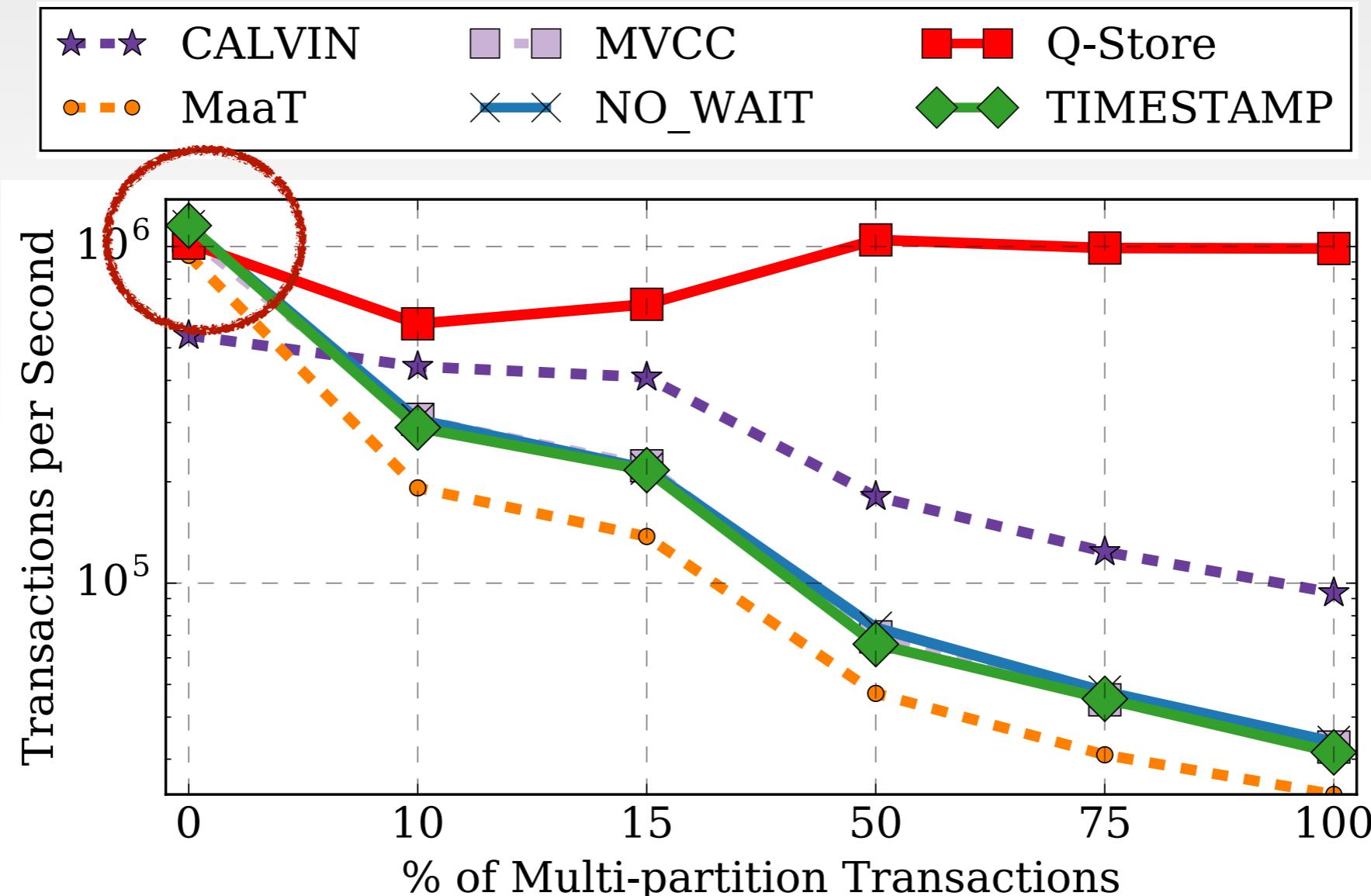
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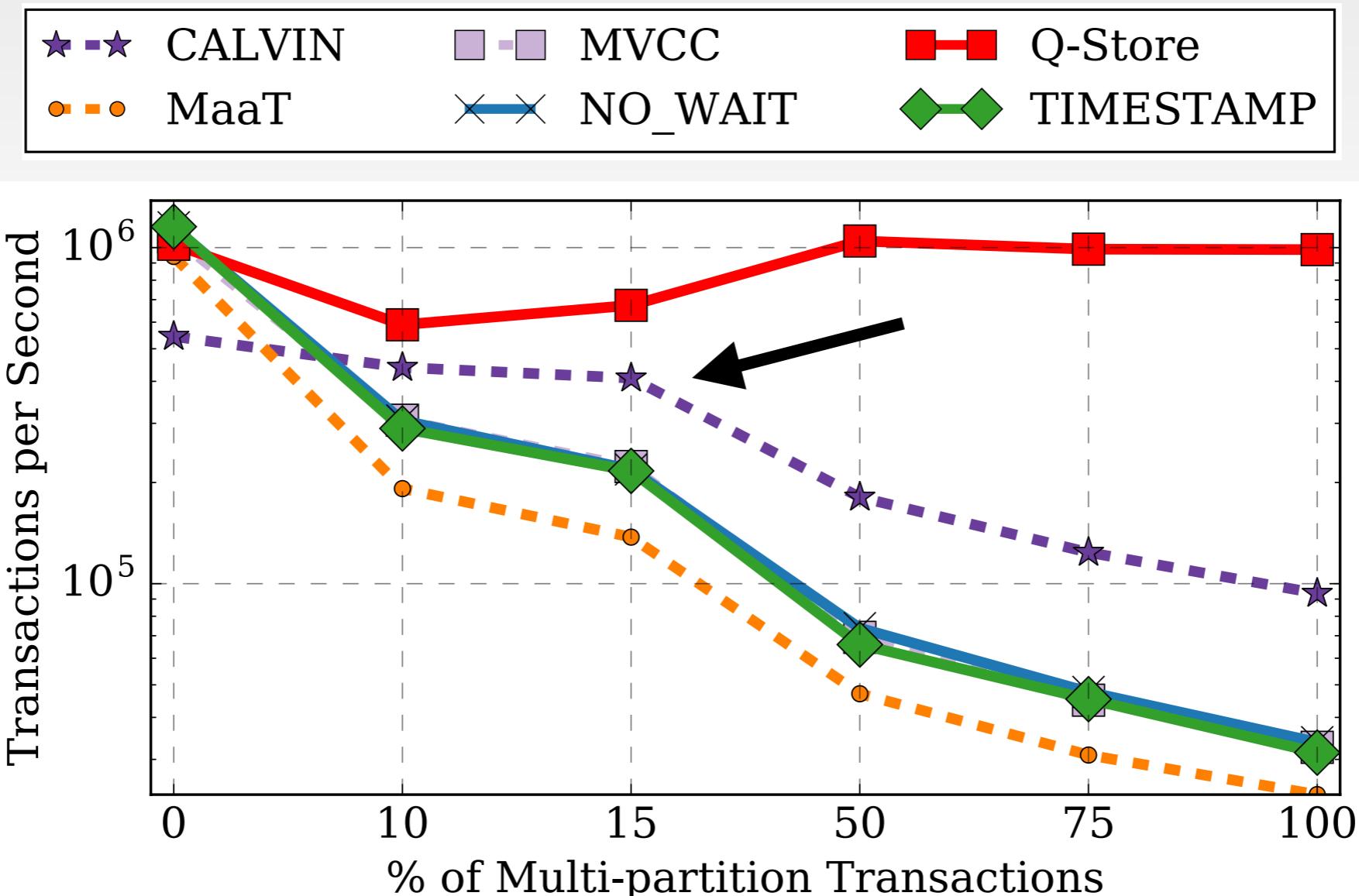
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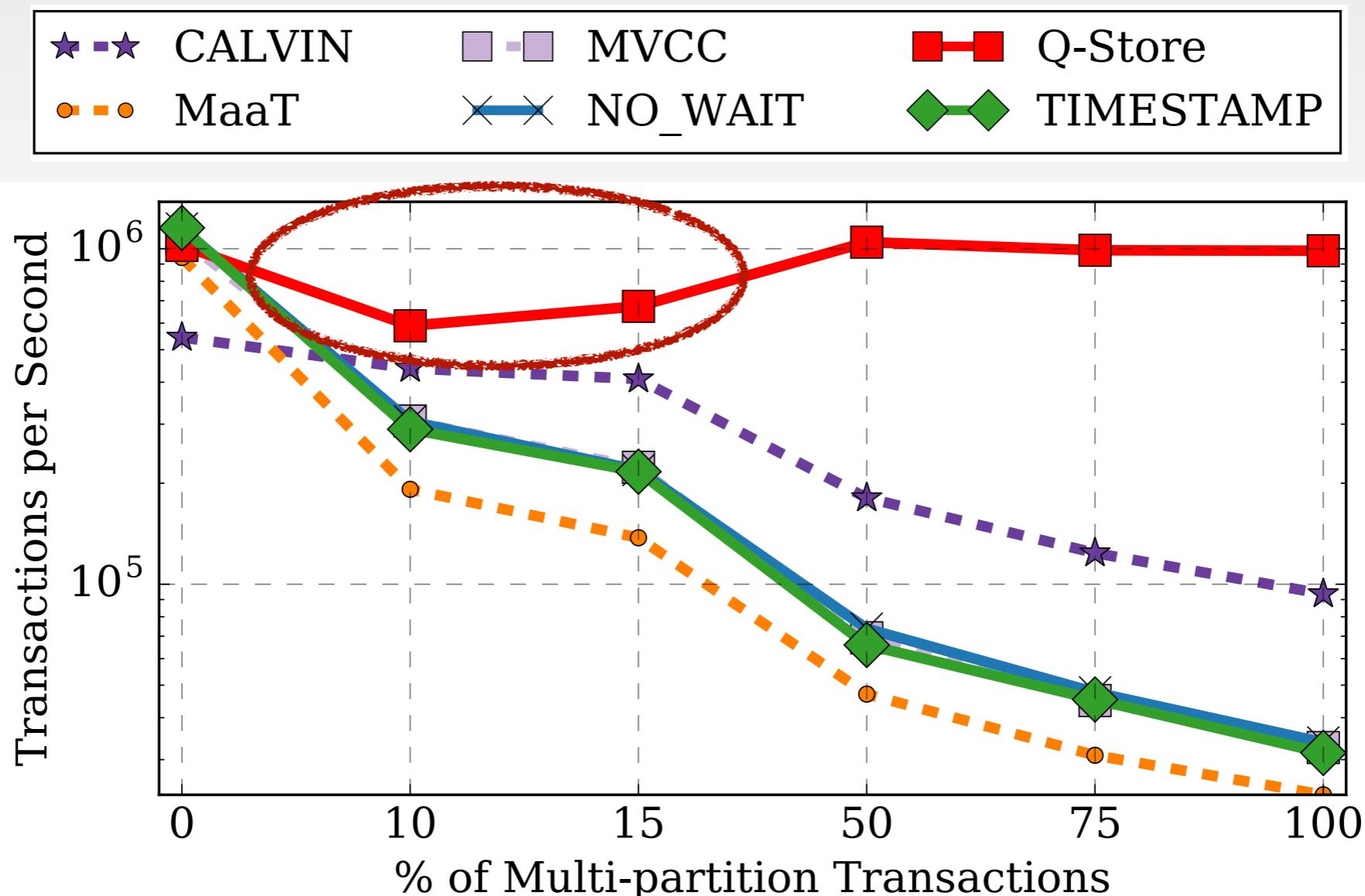
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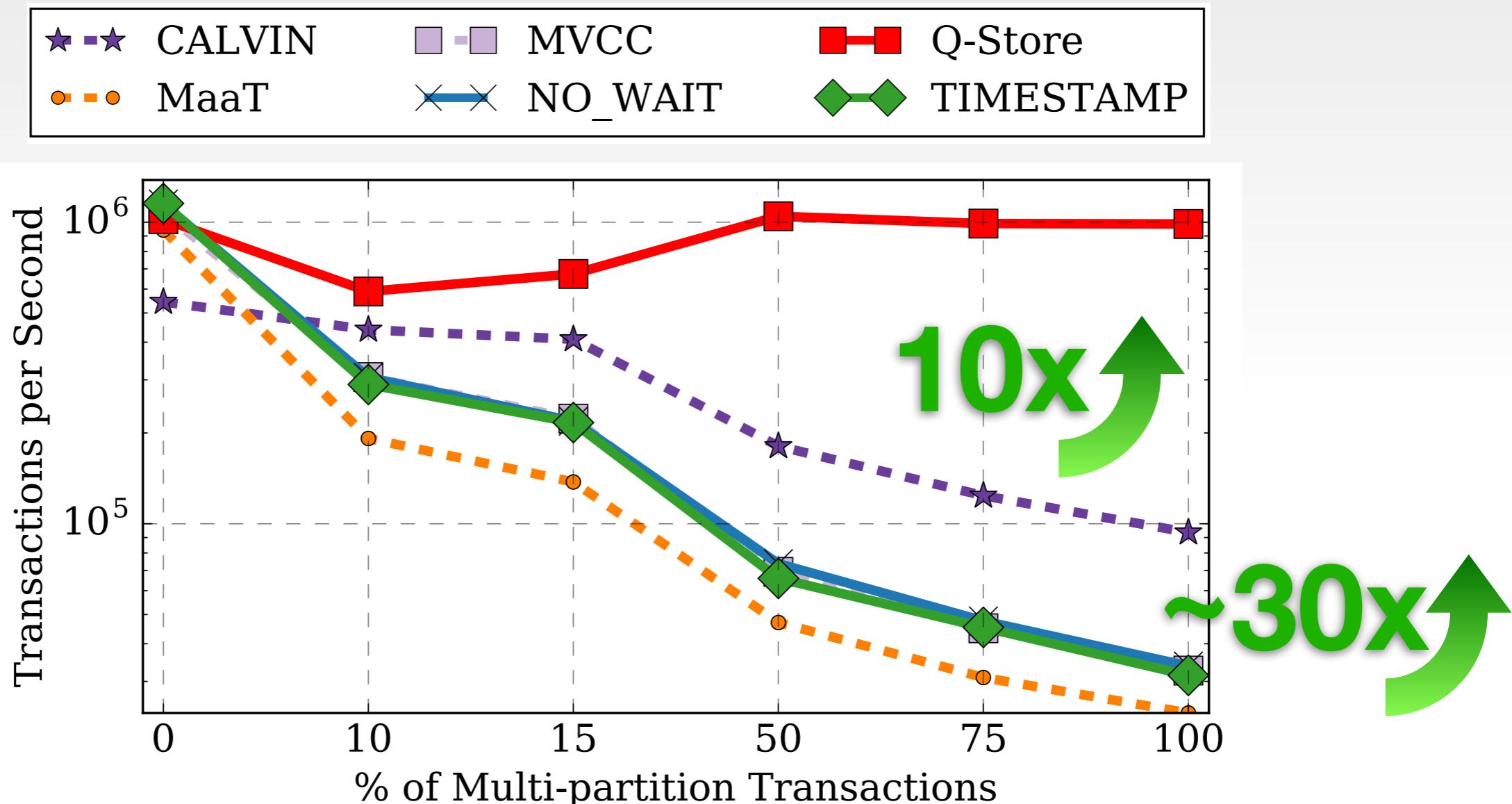


Calvin is sensitive to multi-partition transactions while Q-Store is not

Effect of Multi-Partition Transactions



Effect of Multi-Partition Transactions



Best performance with multi-partition transactional workload

Conclusions and Future Work

- We can **improve the performance and efficiency** of deterministic transaction processing by using **queue-oriented transaction processing principles**
- Q-Store improves system throughput over Calvin by **up to 22x**
- Q-Store improves system throughput over non-deterministic protocols by **up to two orders of magnitude**
- Future work include studying and developing **queue-oriented protocols for byzantine fault-tolerance in database systems**