

Occlum Annual Report 2022

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Occlum is a memory-safe, multi-process LibOS for Intel SGX



Linux Compatibility

- ✓ 150+ Linux system calls
- ✓ Multiple processes
- ✓ Multiple types of file systems
- ✓ Musl and glibc
- ✓ All popular languages, e.g., C/C++, Java, Python, Go, and Rust

Friendly Interface

```
$ occlum new my_occlum_instance
$ cd my_occlum_instance
$ cp ../my_app image/bin/
$ occlum build
$ occlum run /bin/my_app
```

Memory Safety with Rust



Confidential Computing
Consortium

3+

**years of
development**

40+

releases

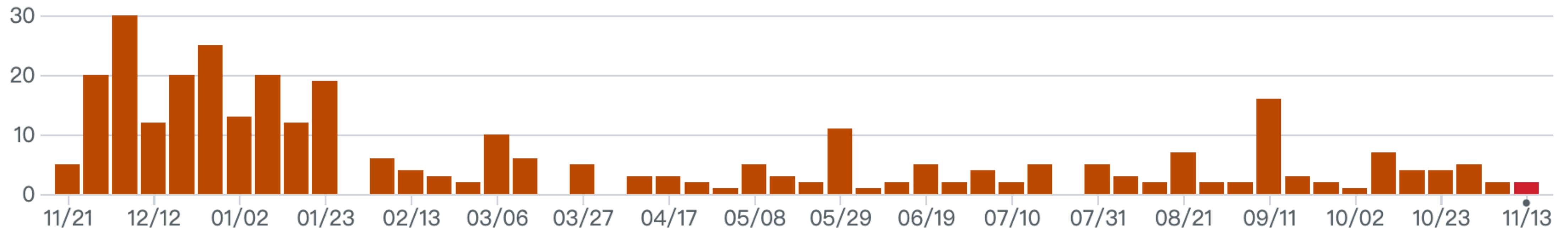


Occlum's major achievements in 2022

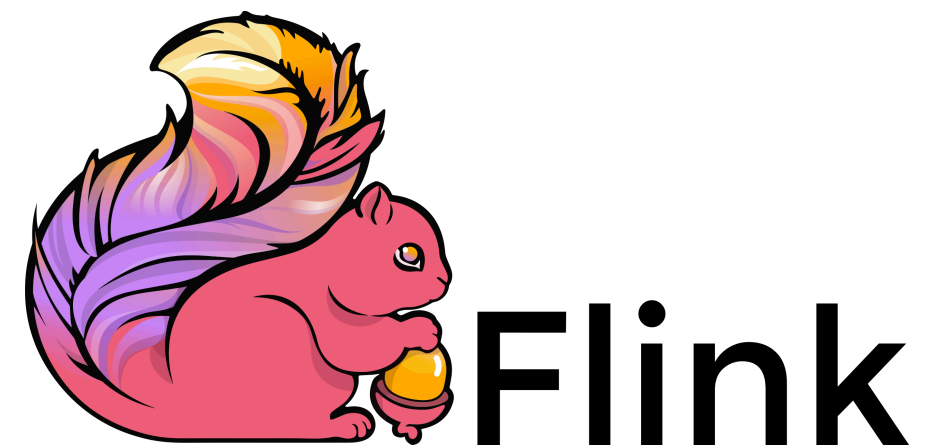
Reaching the milestone of **1K** Github stars

<https://github.com/occlum/occlum>

- **1K+** Github stars
- **100+** forks
- **40+** contributors
- **350+** commits over the last 12 months



Enabling **popular** and **complex** applications

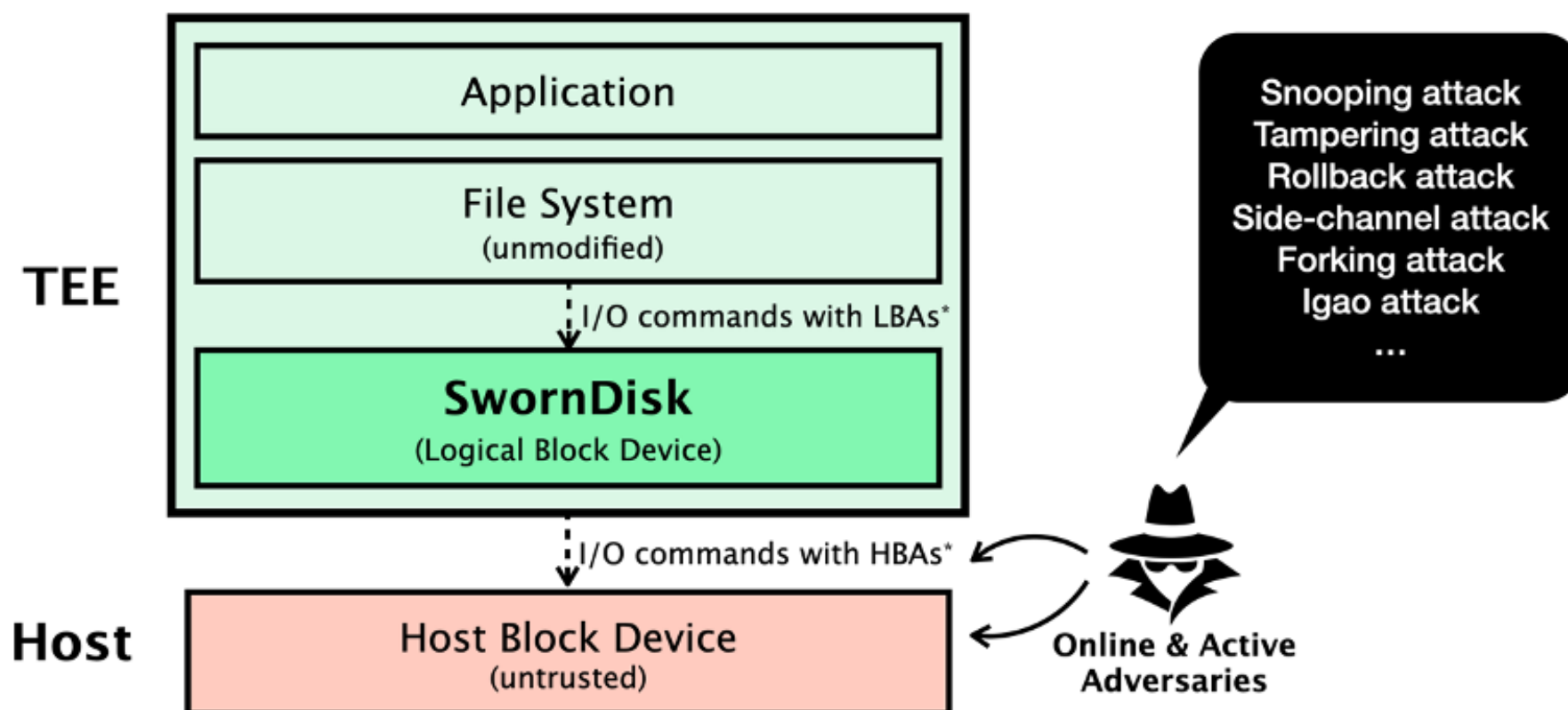


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Performing **fast** file I/O with SwornDisk

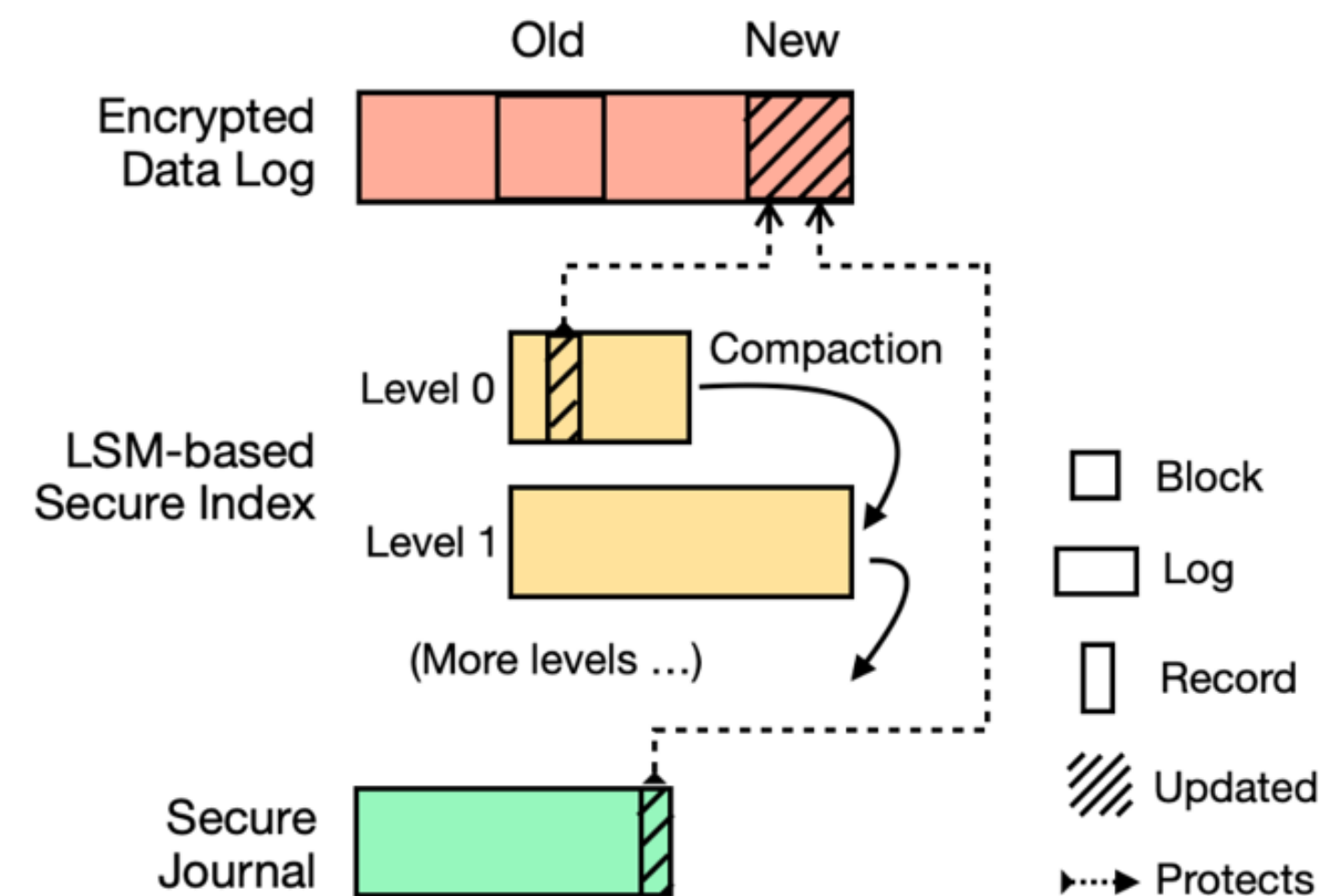
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The threat model

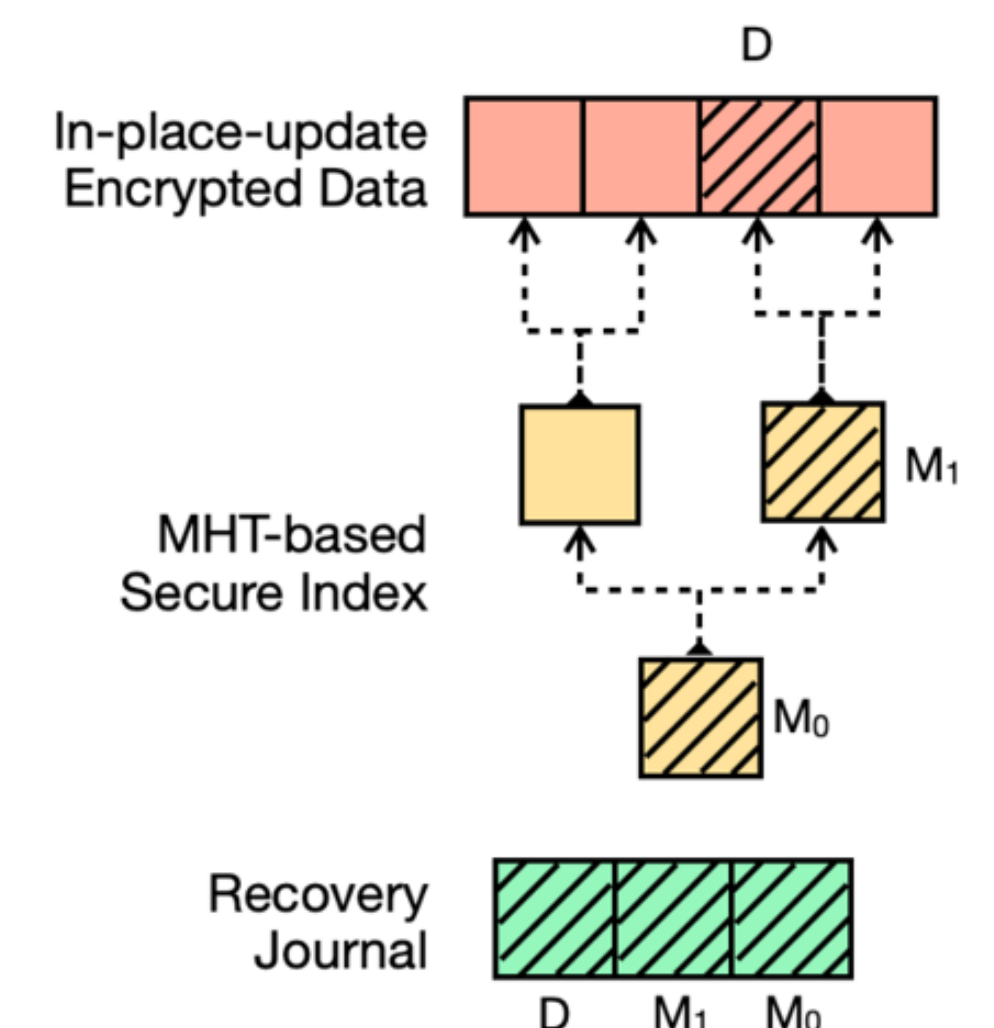


* LBA = Logical Block Address, HBA = Host Block Address

The log-structured approach (SwornDisk)

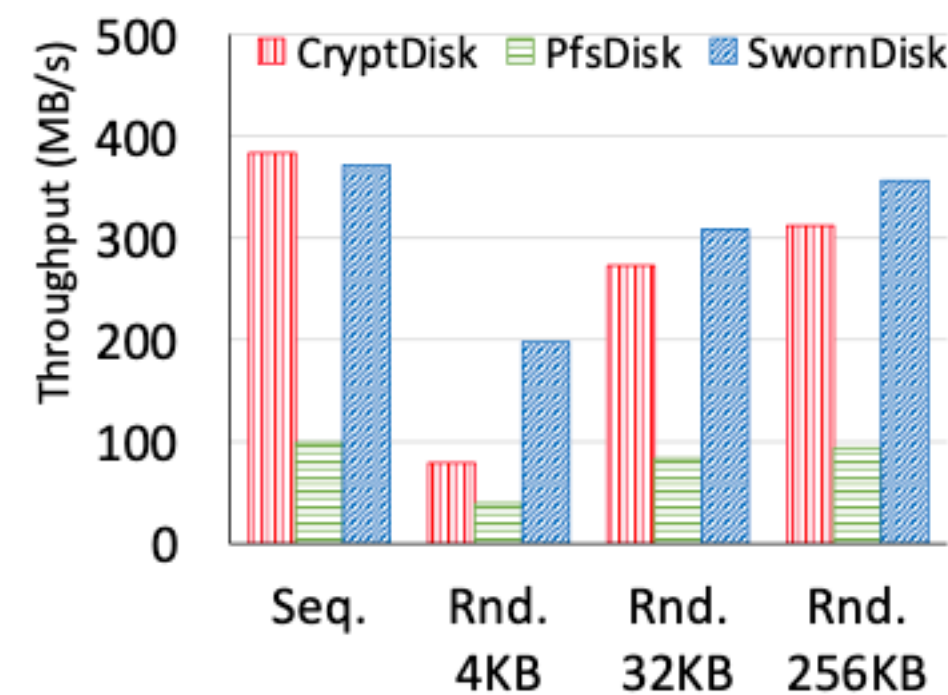


The traditional approach (In-place updates + MHT)

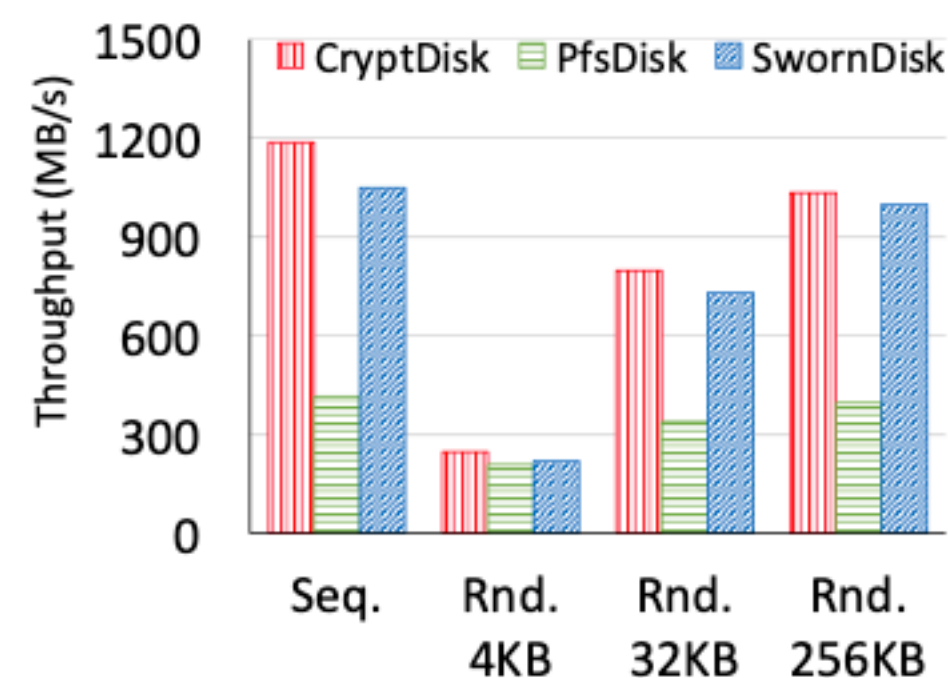


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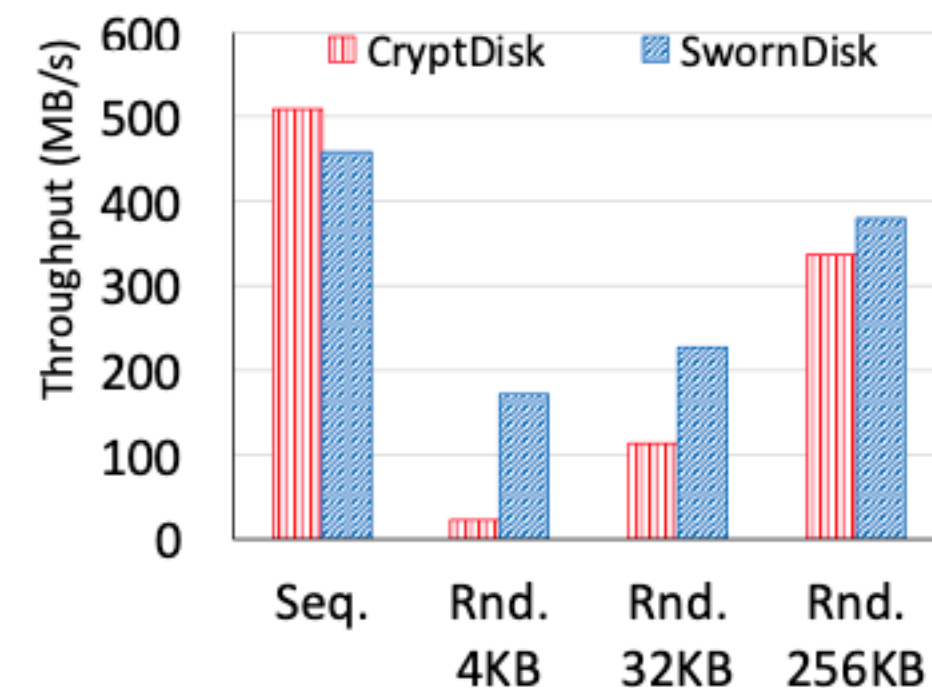
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- Microbenchmark results with fio (3.6X-5.0X speedups for writes compared to Intel SGX PFS)



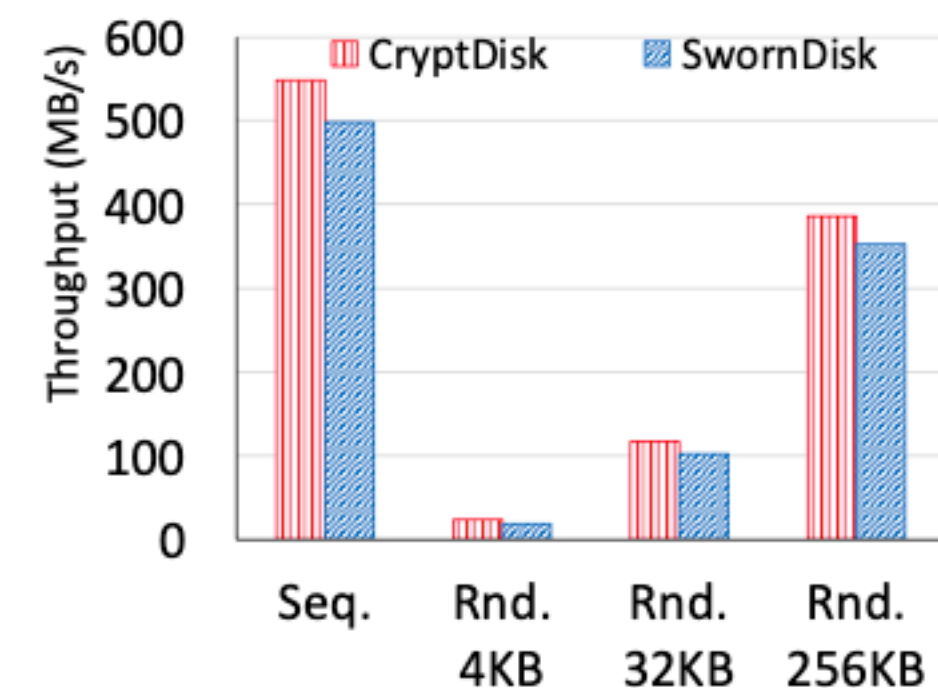
(a) Writes in SGX



(b) Reads in SGX



(c) Writes in SEV



(d) Reads in SEV

- Will be merged into Occlum v1.0

Launching **v1.0** by the end of 2022

- The version 1.0 will be based on **Next-Gen Occlum (NGO)** project, which has been developed in parallel to the mainline Occlum.
- NGO has major **performance improvements** over the mainline Occlum

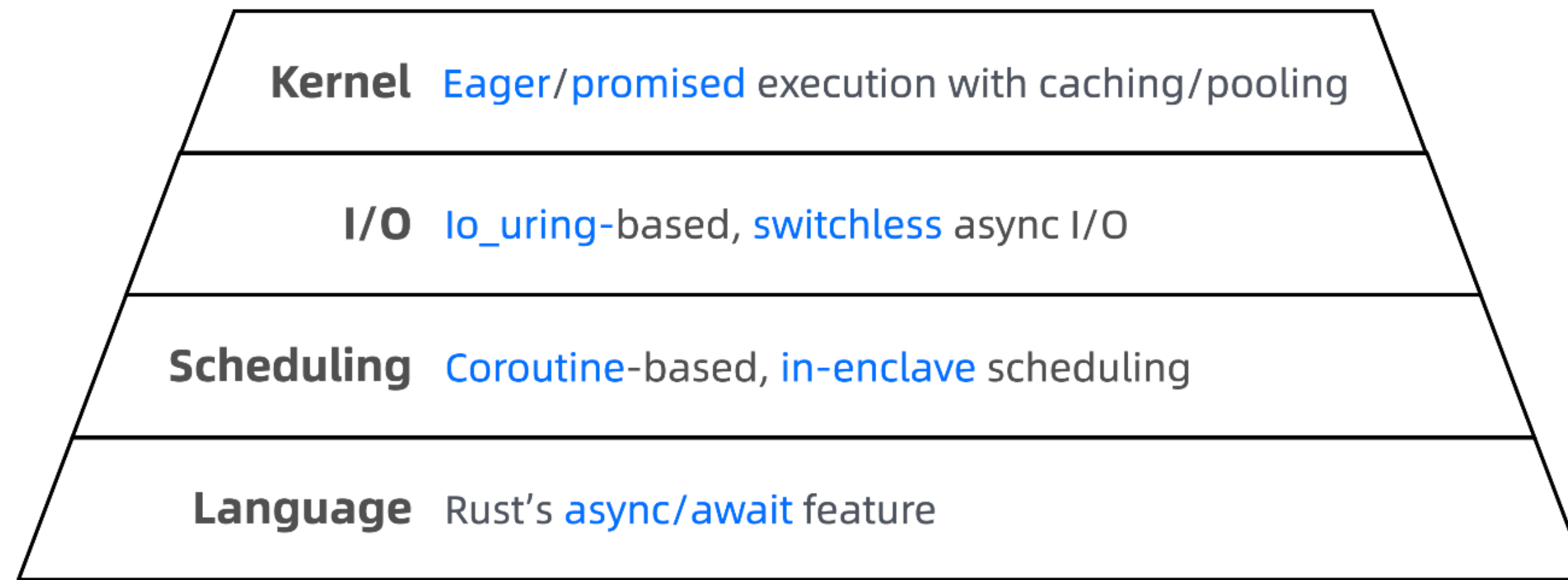


FIG. NGO adopts an *asynchrony*-centric design to boost performance

Items required by Annual Review Process

- Review any changes Project Charter
 - No
- Review the project's progression status
 - Still in the Sandbox Stage
 - May apply for the Incubation Stage next year
- Review any budget allocation
 - I am not aware of any budget assigned to Occlum...
- Review license scans provided by the Linux Foundation
 - N/A
- By the way, Occlum needs a new mentor...



Occlum

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Thank you