

CS 350 DISCUSSION 10

Mutual Exclusion and CFQ

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It has no impact. Process i still can access the critical section.

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Yes, this is going to be a problem. It will result in both processes being in a critical section at the same time as shown below.

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2	print_line("Process i: Entering CS");	
3	while (flag[j]) <-- Pi breaks out of the loop	
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5		print_line("Process j: Entering CS");
6		while (flag[i]) <-- Pj enters the loop
7		if (turn == i) <-- This is true for Pj
8		flag[j] = false;
9		while (turn == i); <-- Pj stuck here for now
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Answer

```
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2 Semaphore mutex = 1;
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Exercise 2

You have 3 applications running on your machine that have their own queue each. Each queue has a quantum of 2 requests. The applications that are running are 1) Call of Duty, 2) Spotify and 3) Zoom in order of their priorities of meeting their deadline. Table below has its requests and the position in the disk along with it. Your laptop happens to be using Linux and you, as a CS350 student wants to find out how requests are handled in your linux system. What scheduling do you go with?

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Use the table to put the request into each queue and then to the single dispatch queue. The total number of disk positions in the circular disk are 12

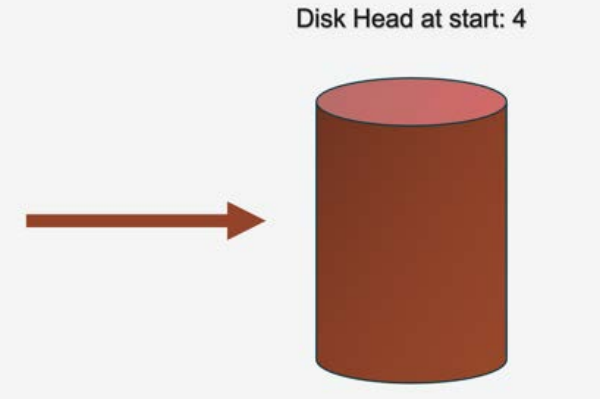
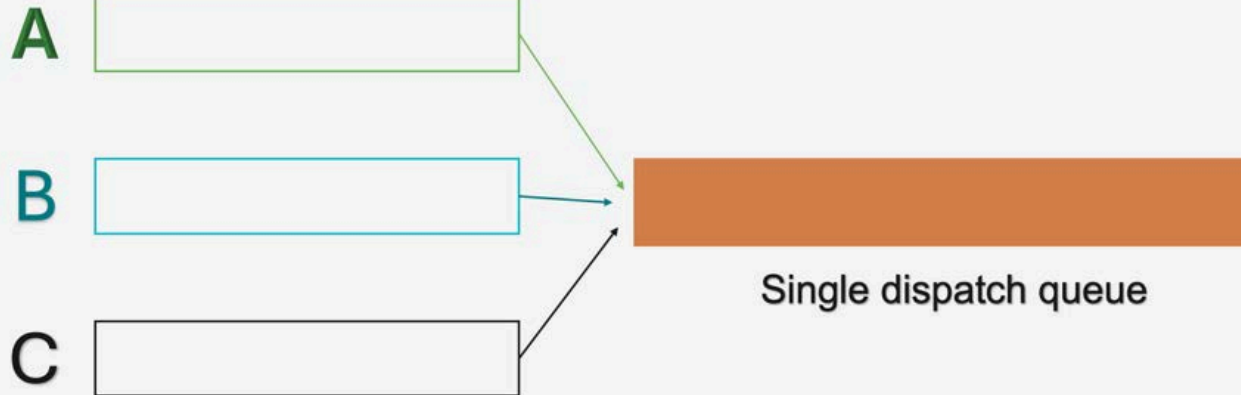
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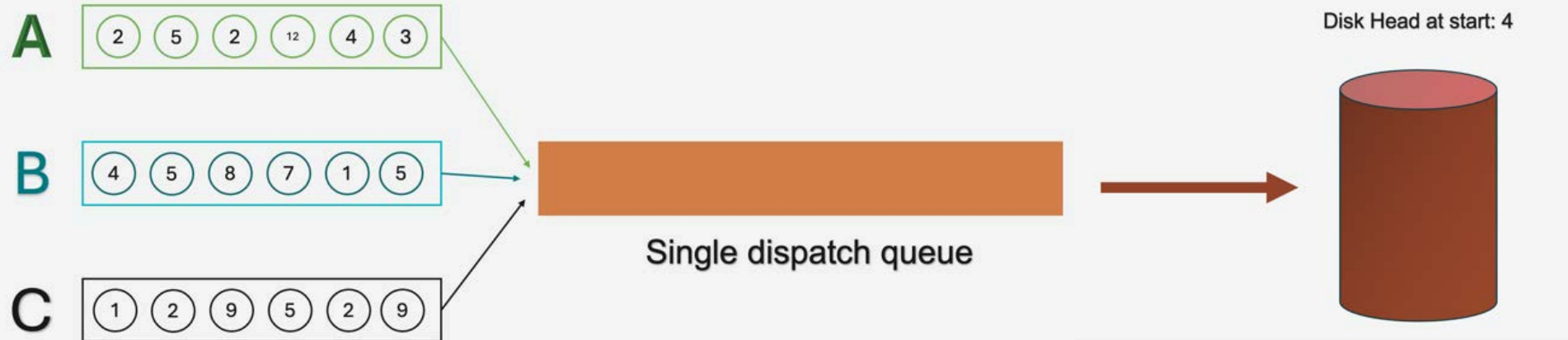
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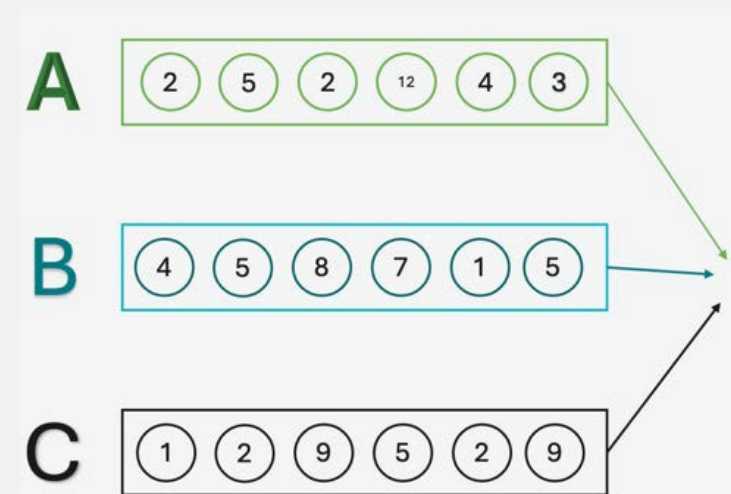
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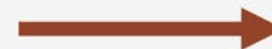
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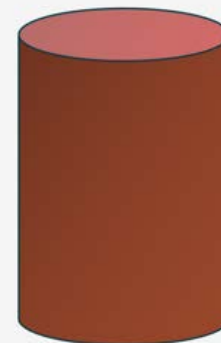
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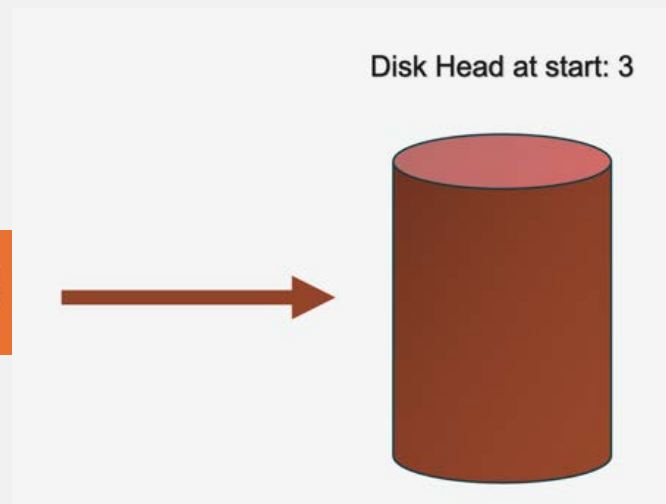
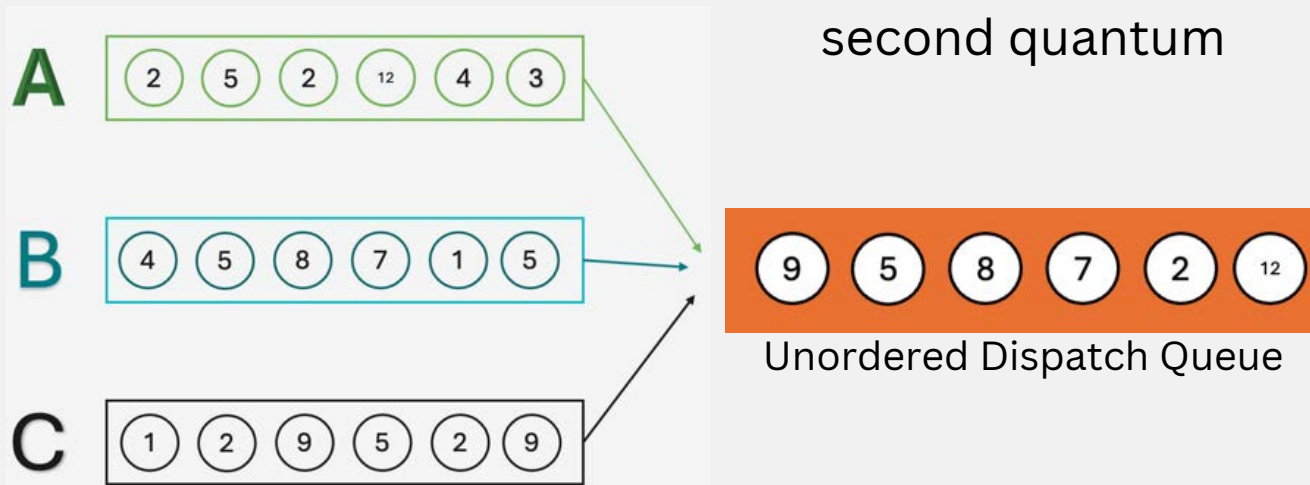
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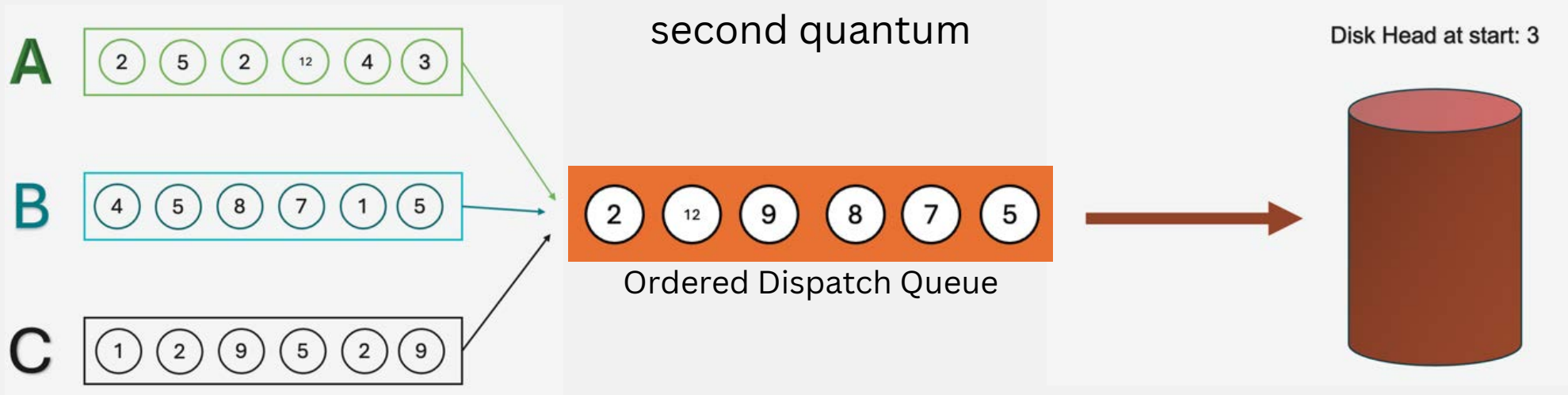
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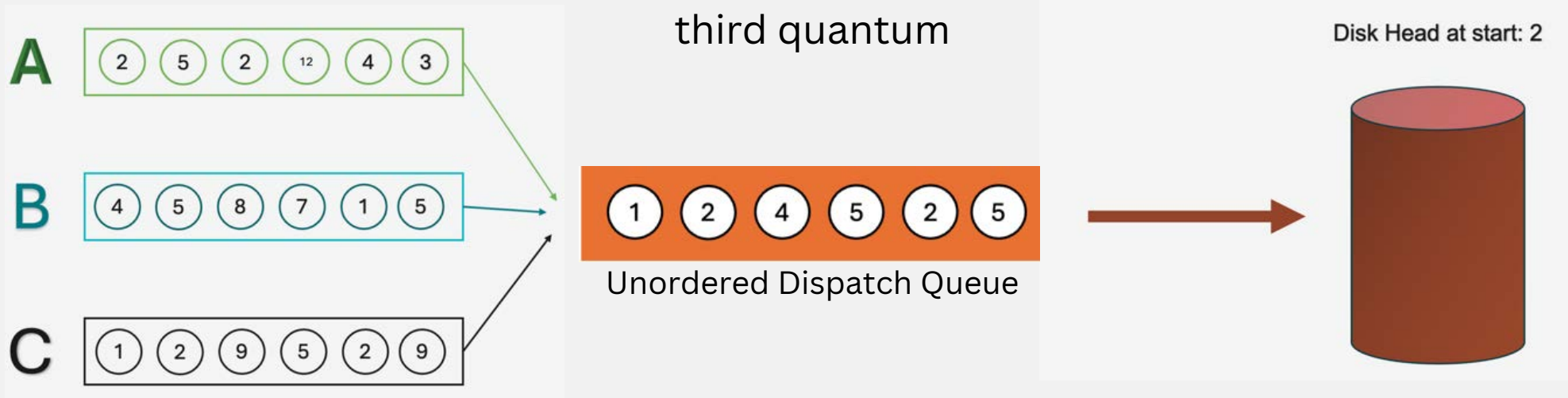
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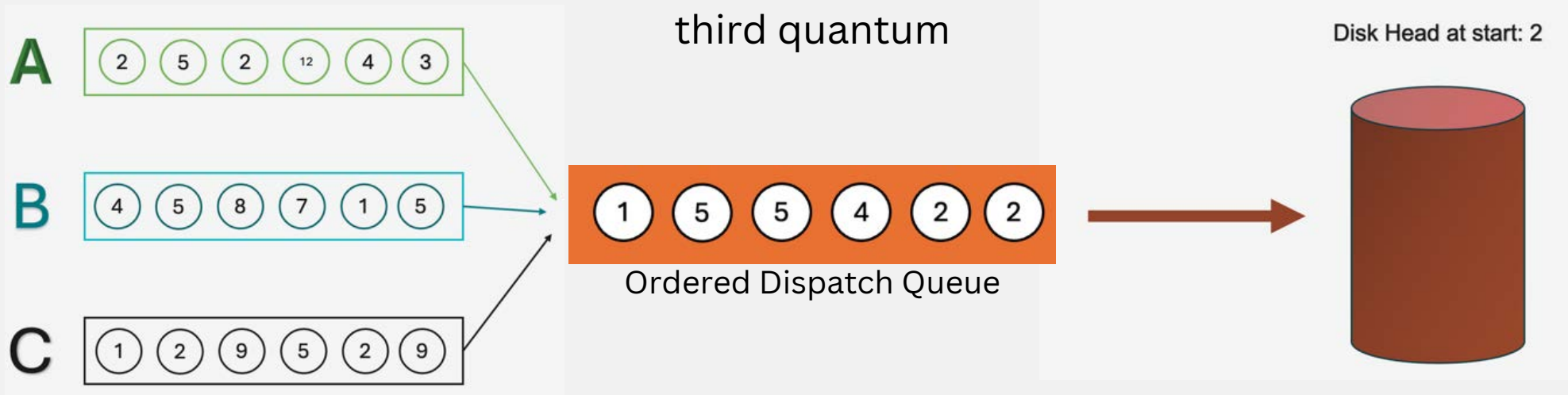
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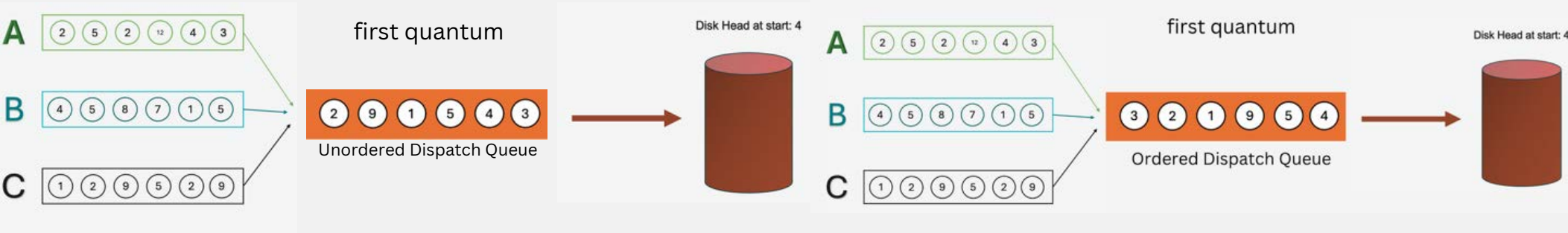
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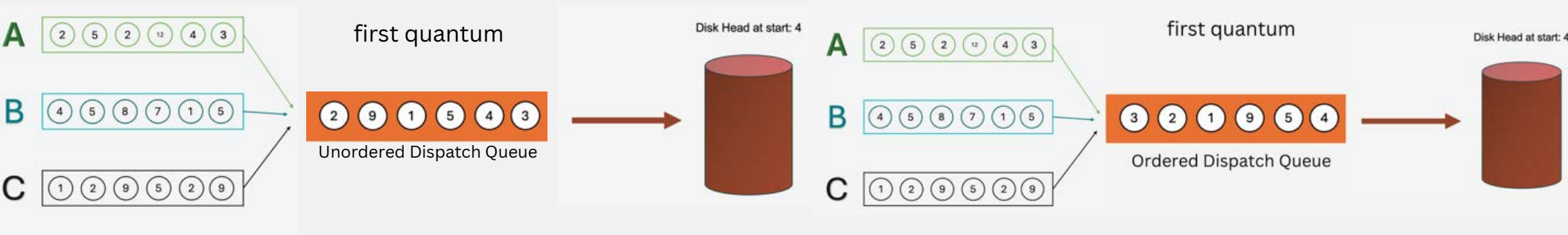
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