

# FusionRAID: Achieving Consistent Low Latency for Commodity SSD Arrays

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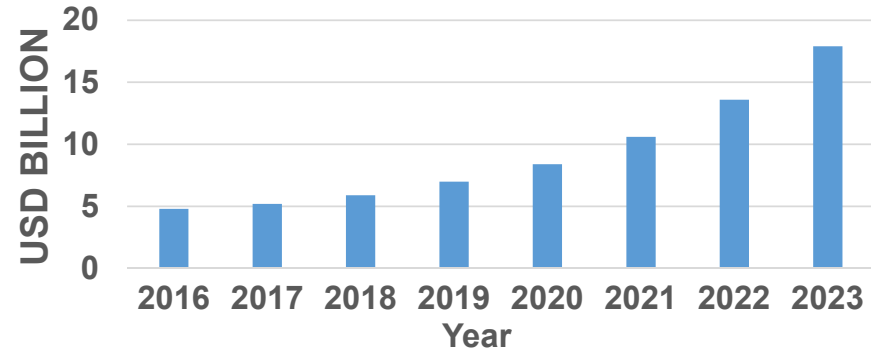


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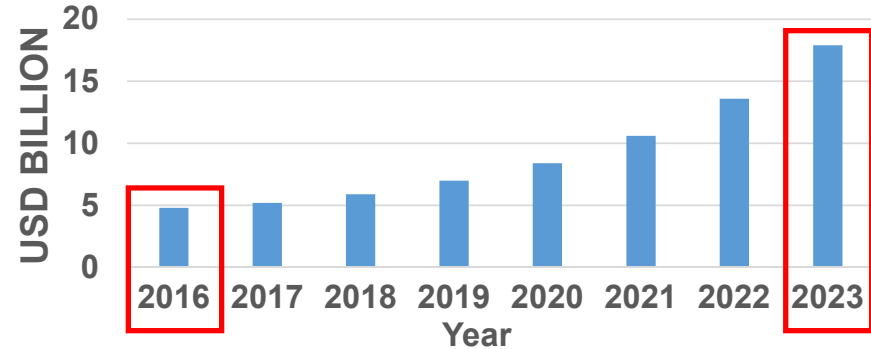


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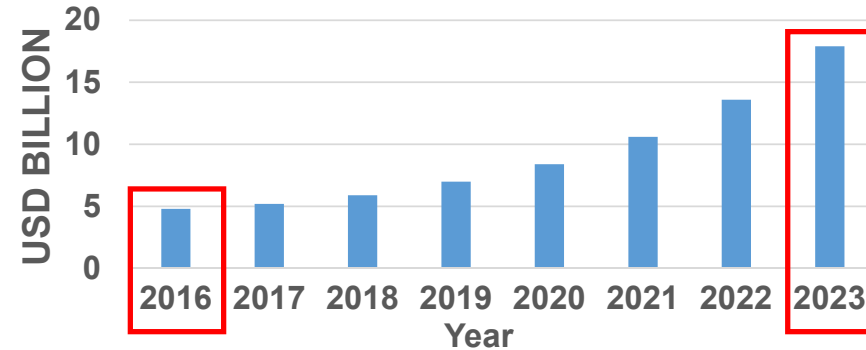


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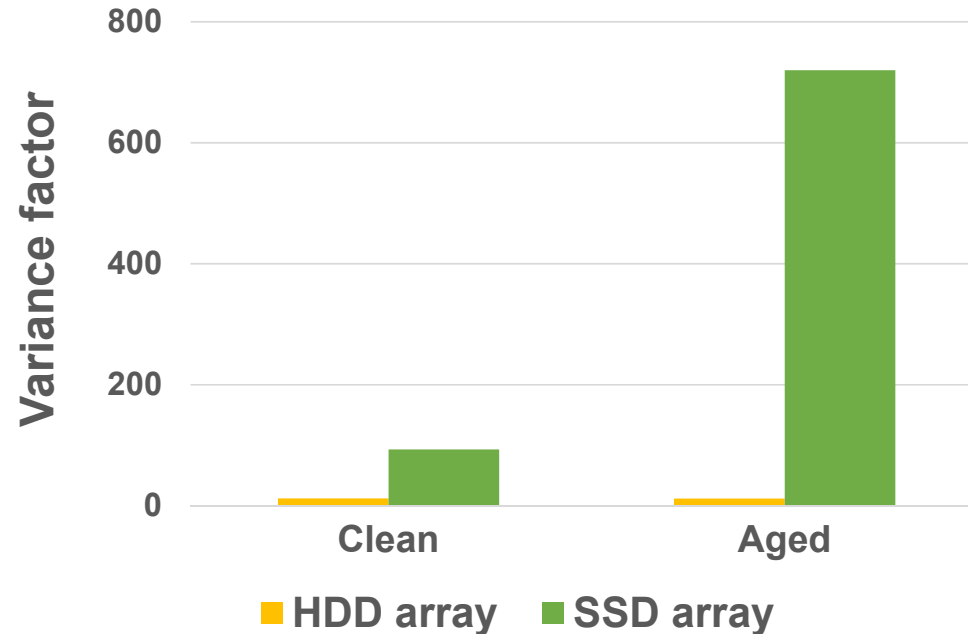
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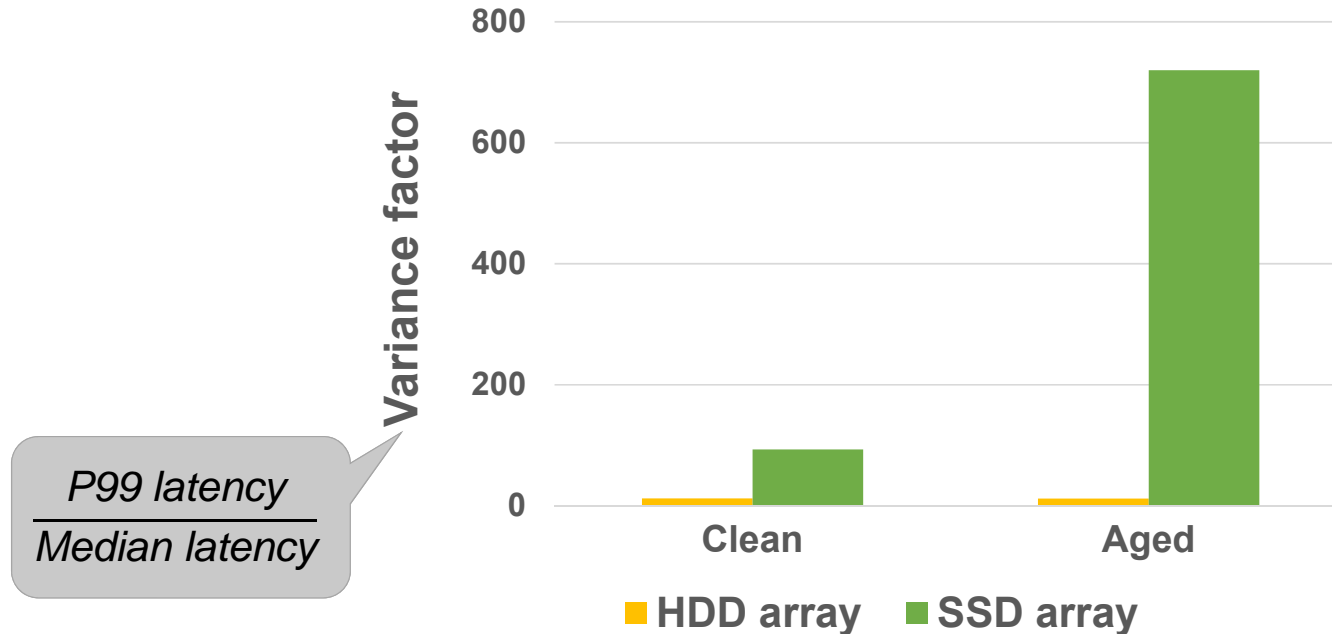
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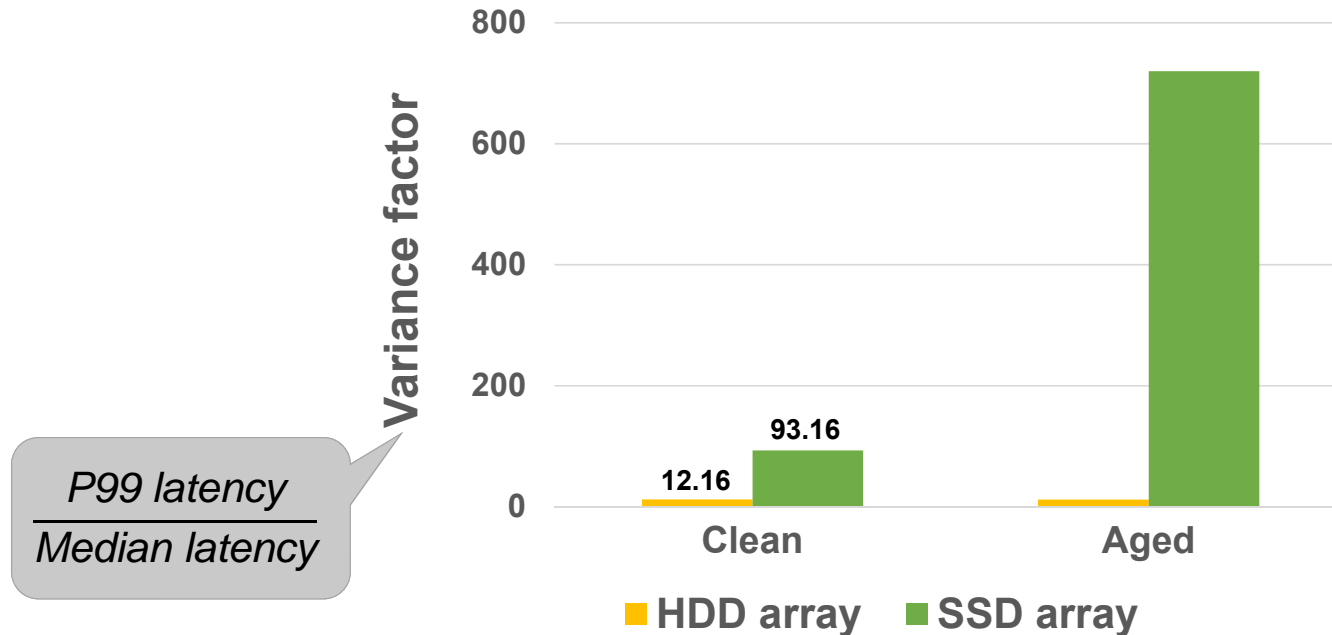
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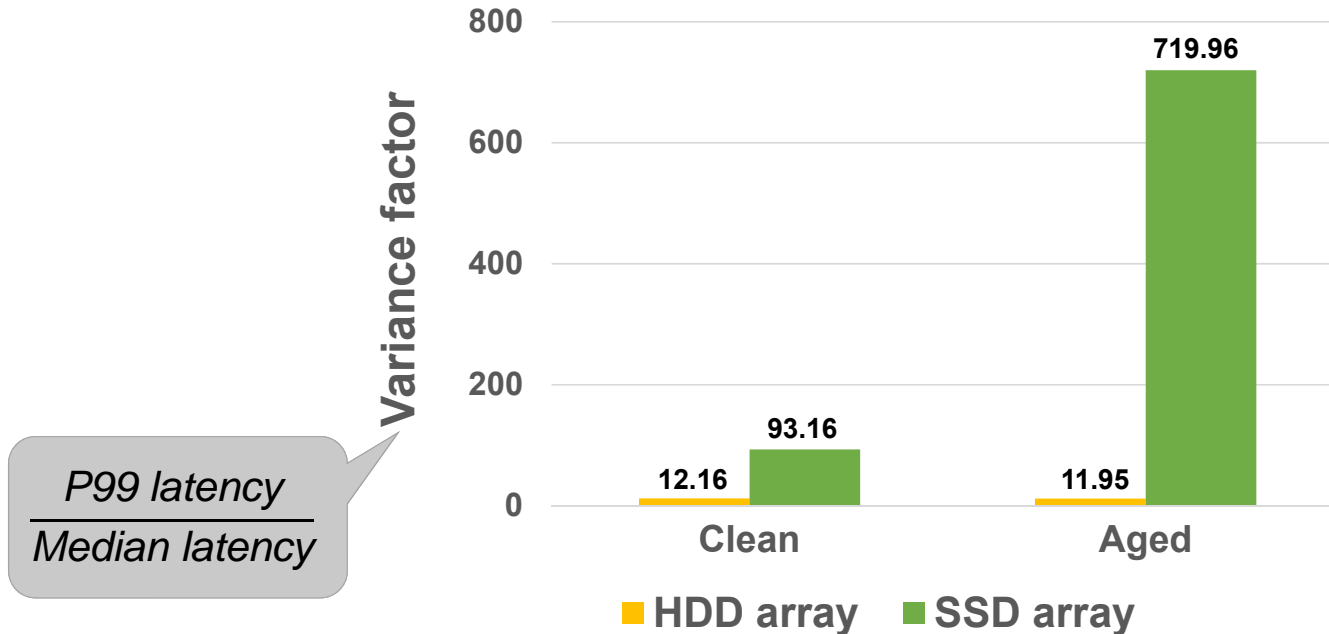
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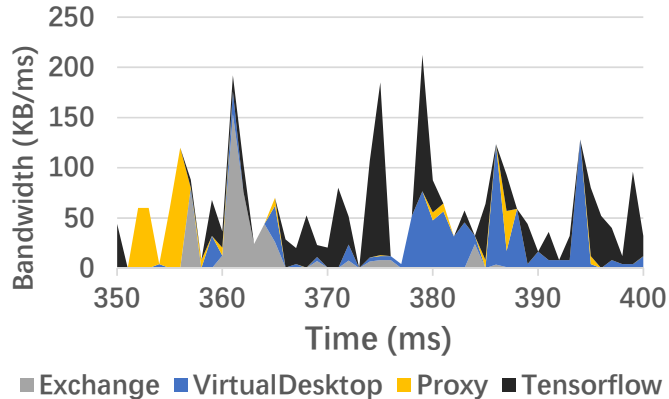
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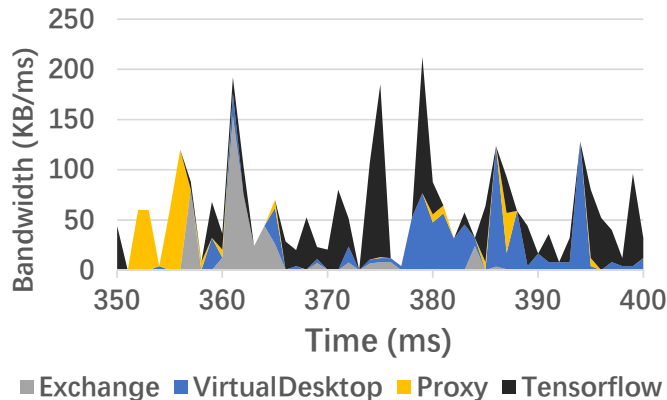
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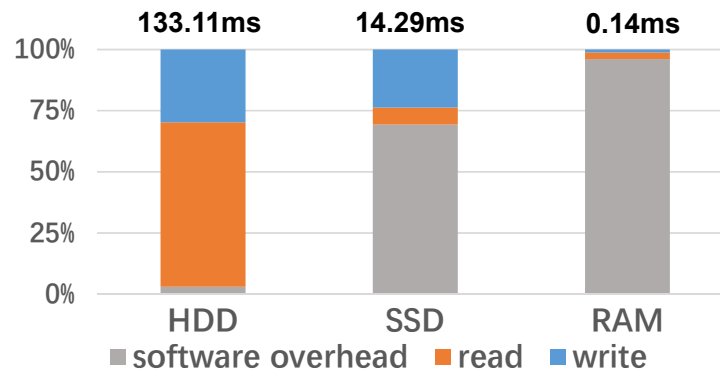
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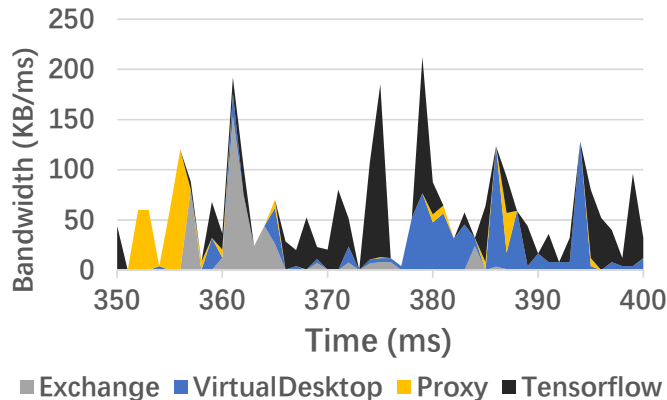
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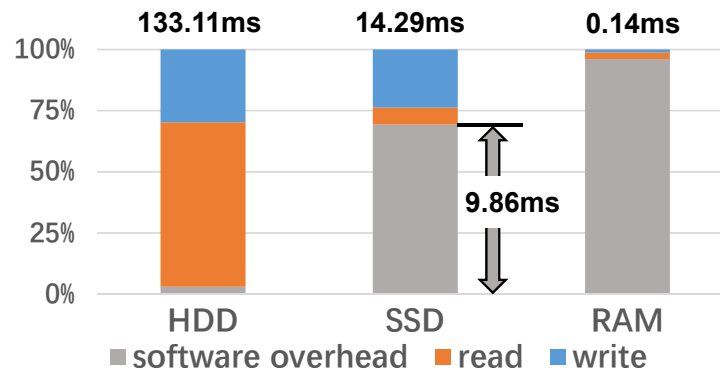
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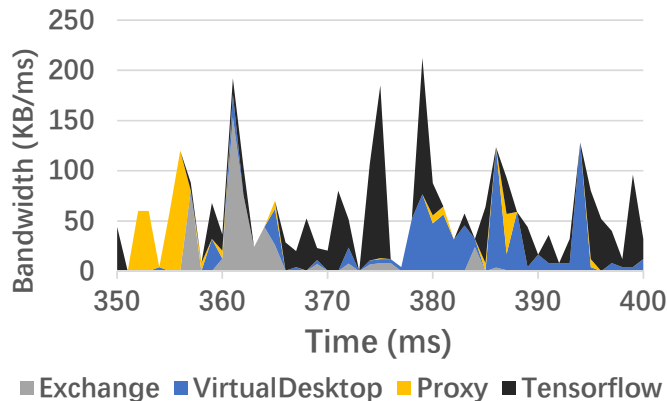
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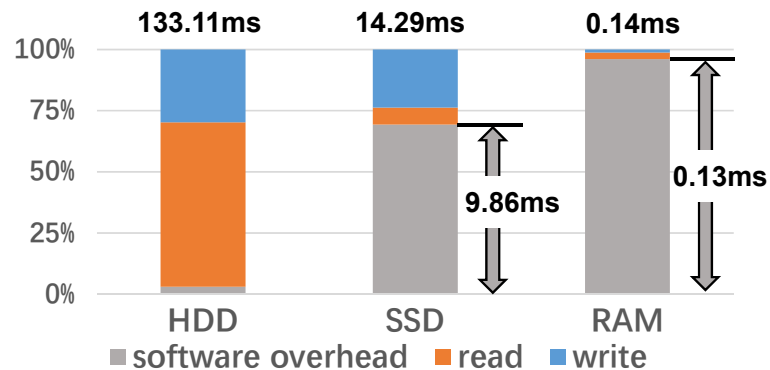
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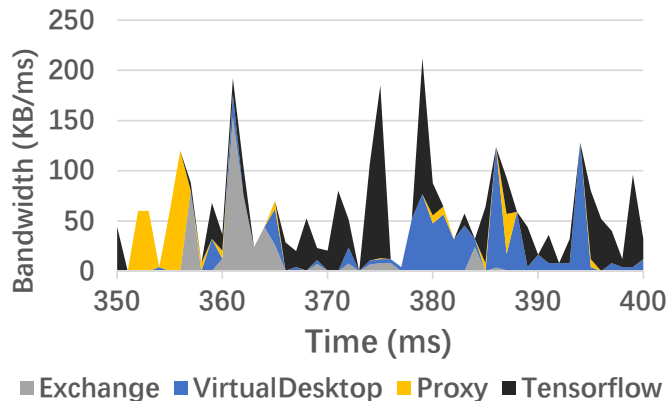
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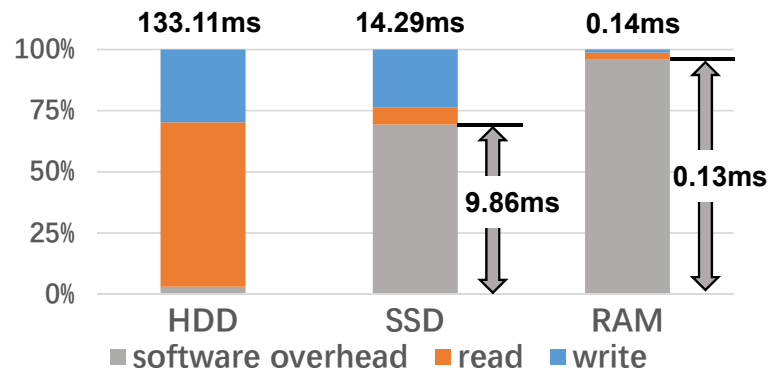
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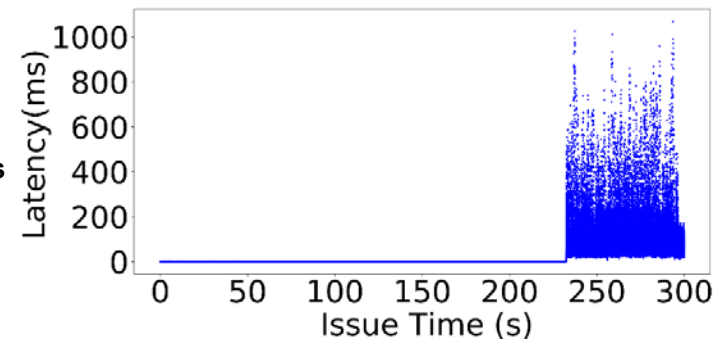
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  - Found in all 6 SSD models tested, both consumer and DC
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Datacenter SSDs with random writes

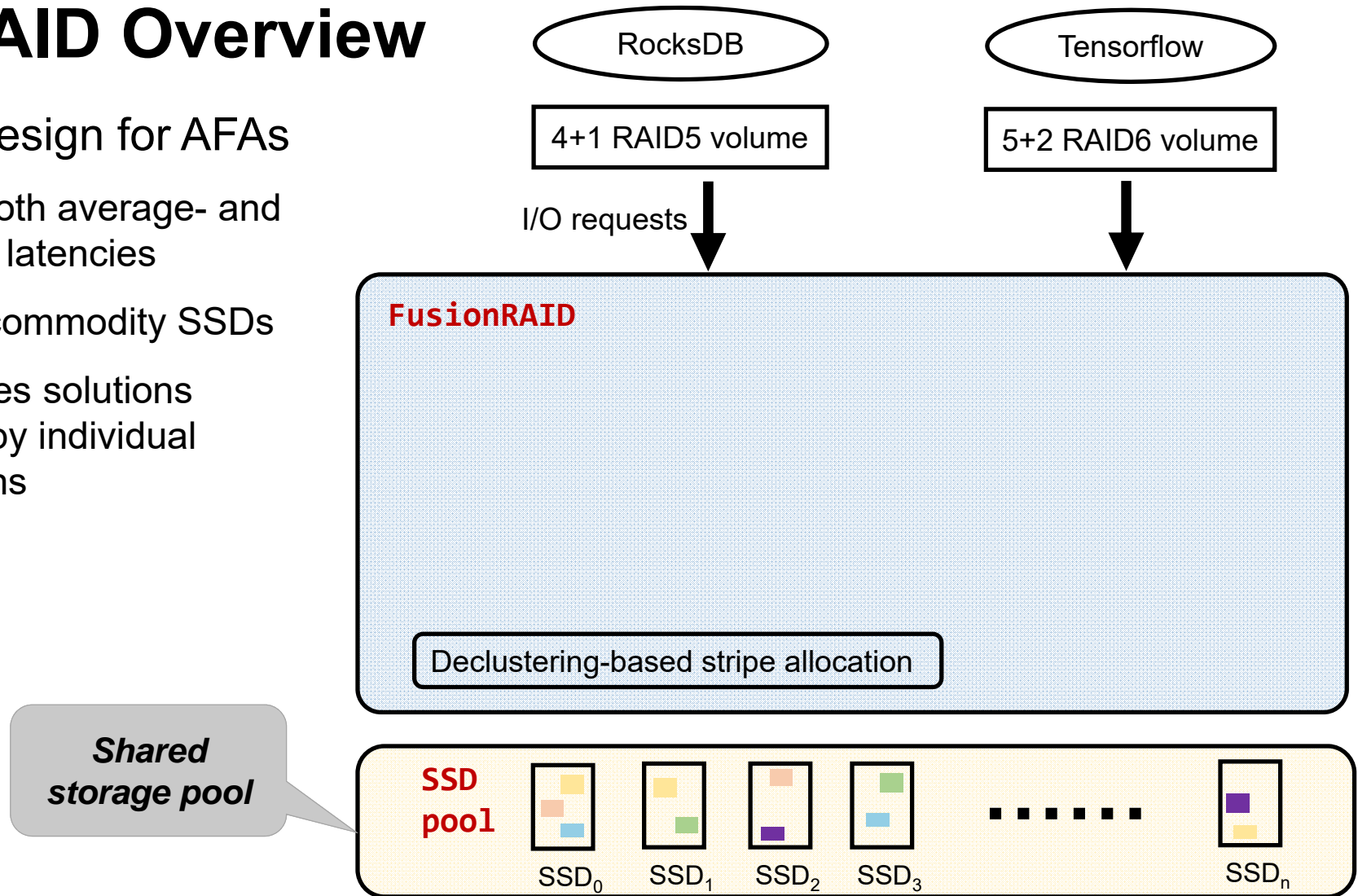


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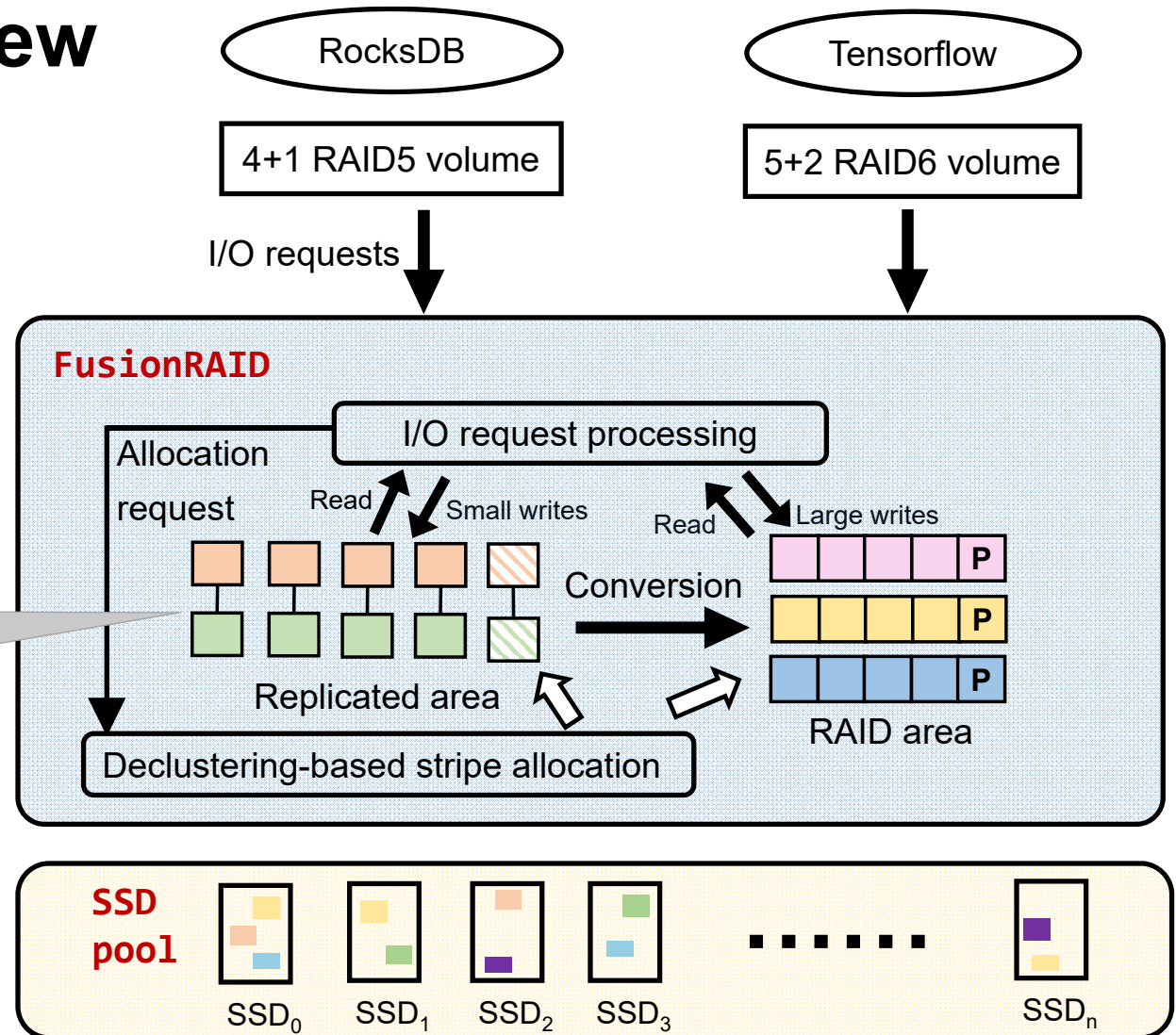
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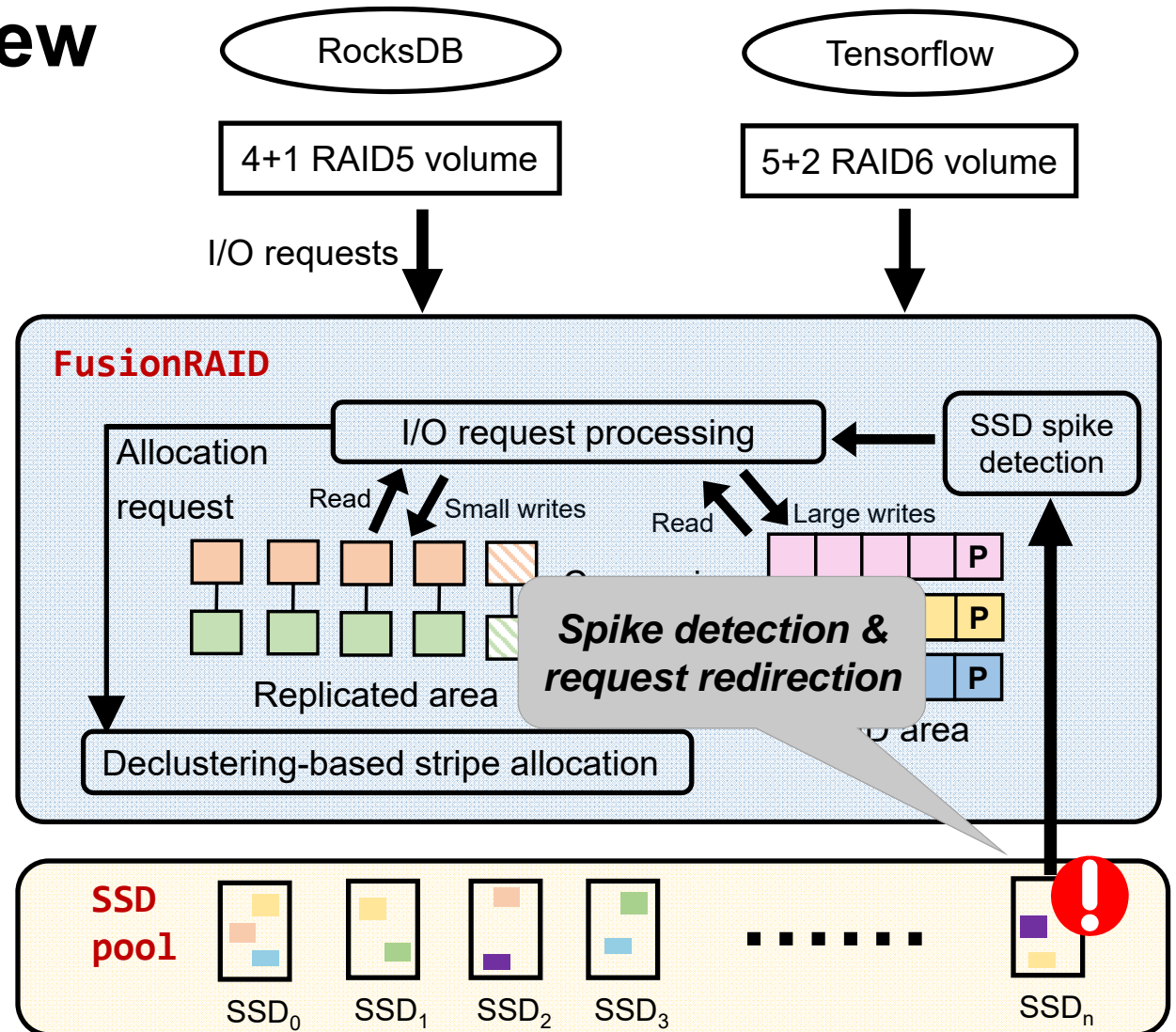
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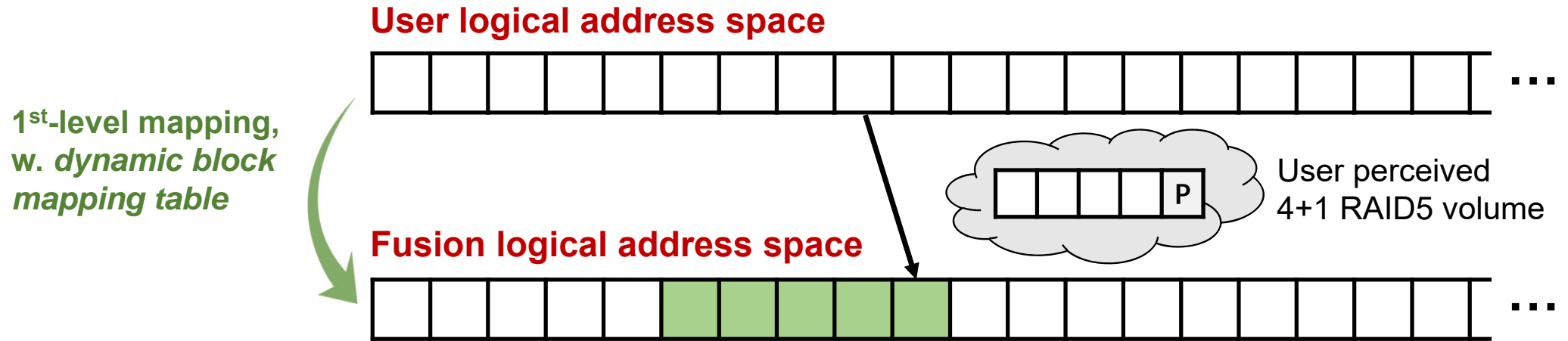
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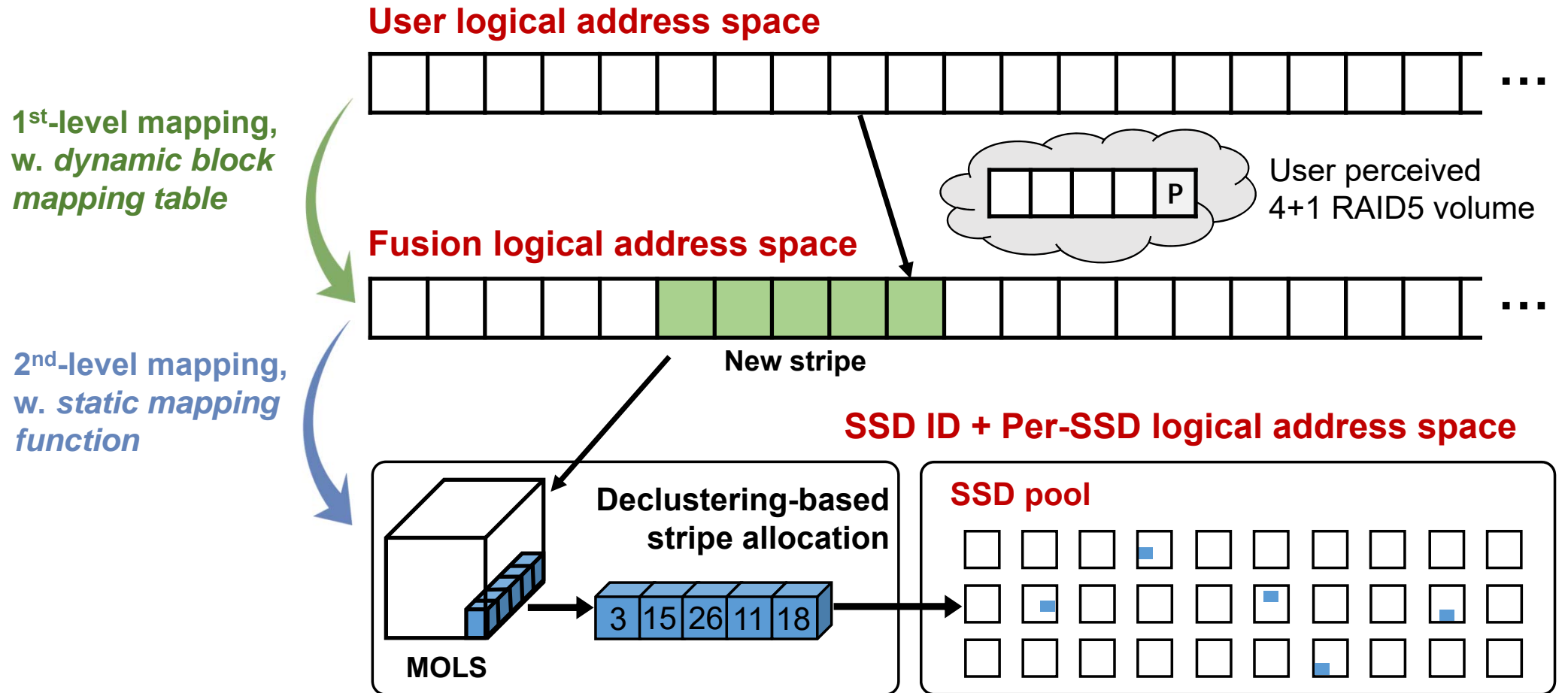


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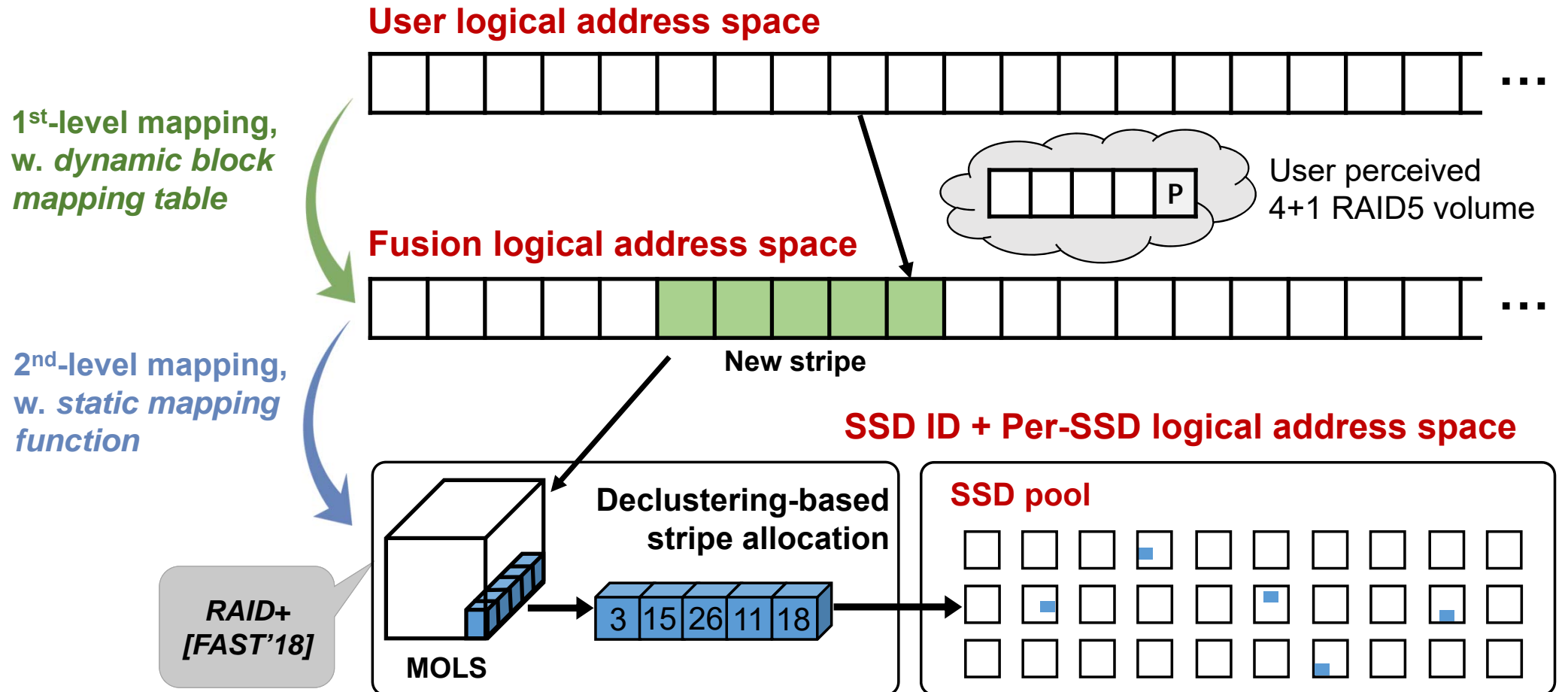
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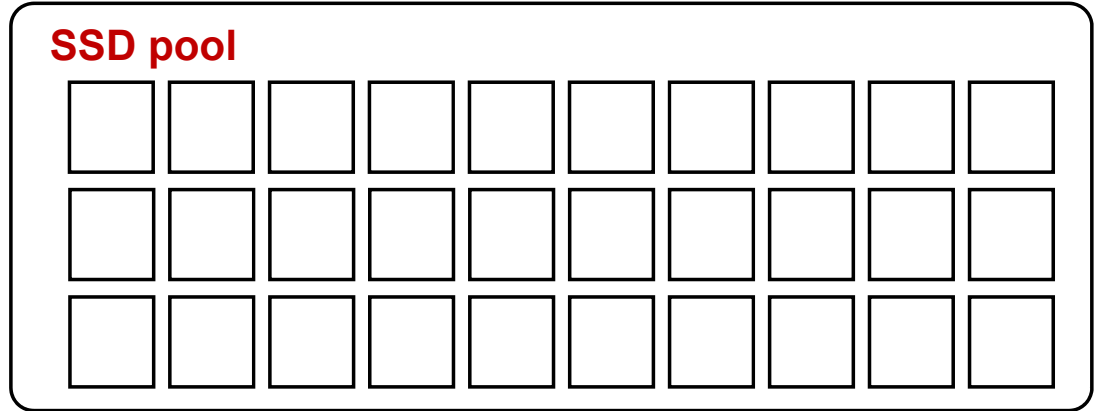
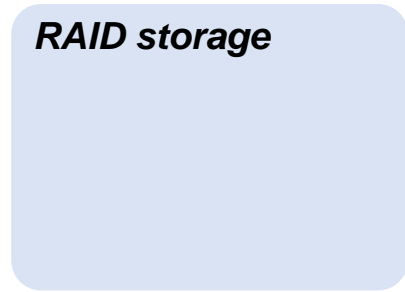


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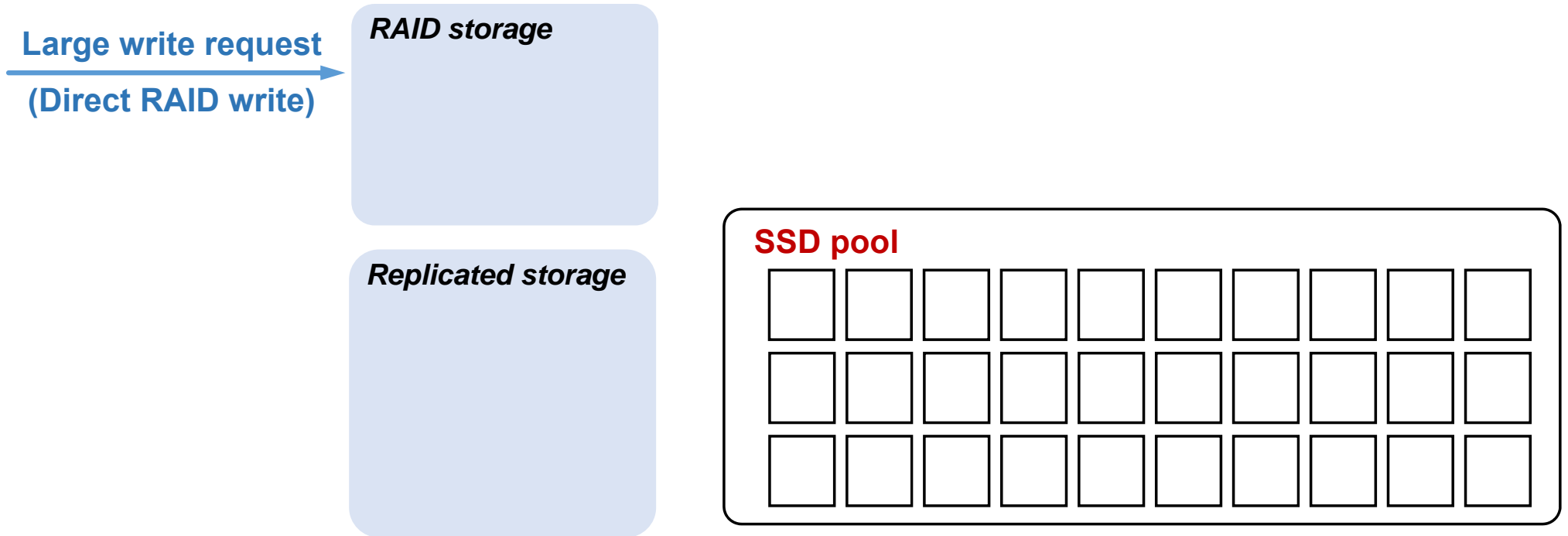




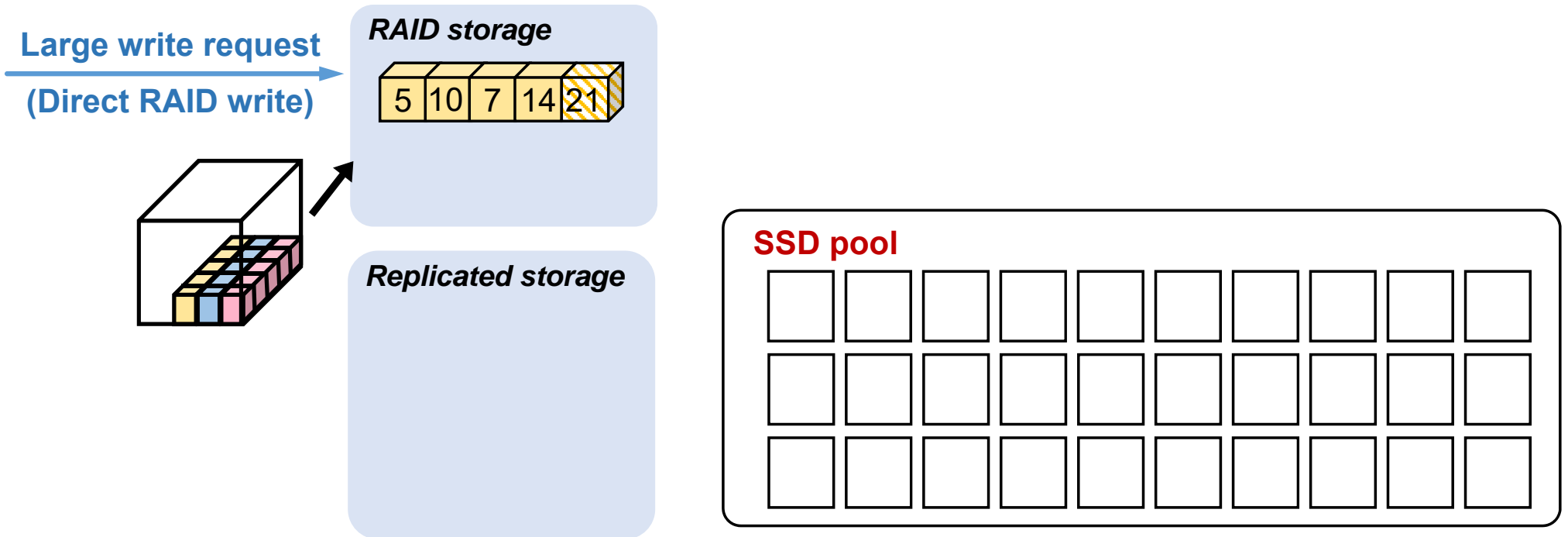
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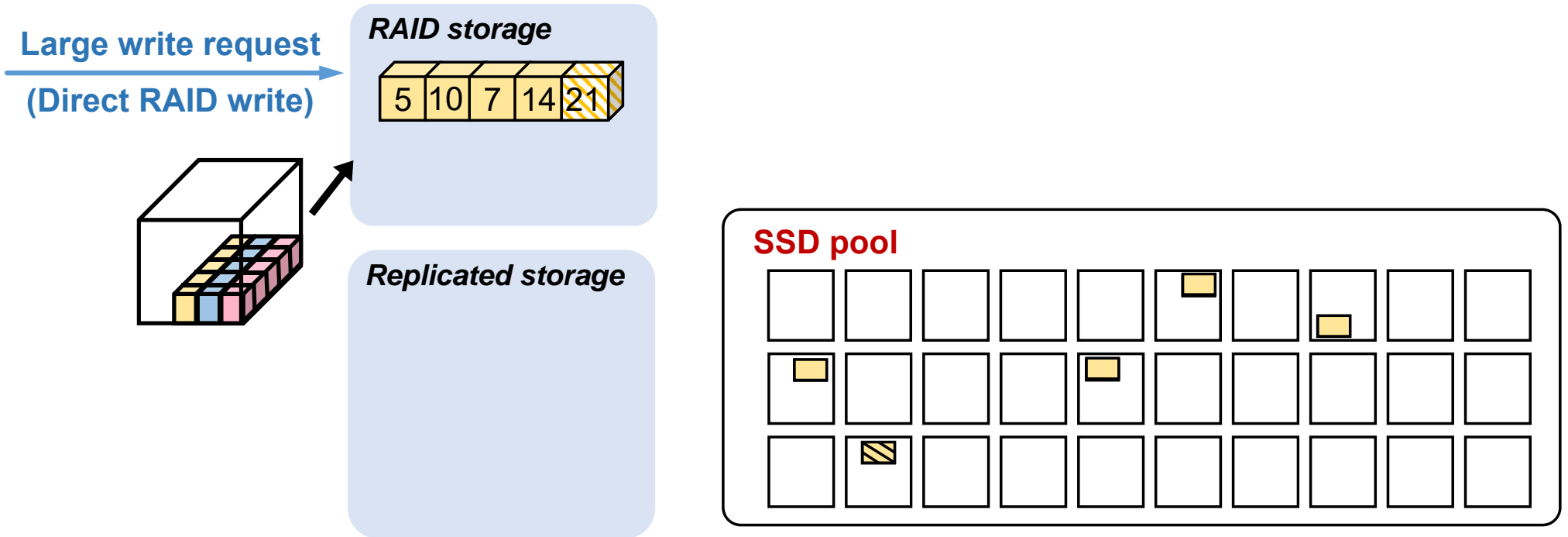
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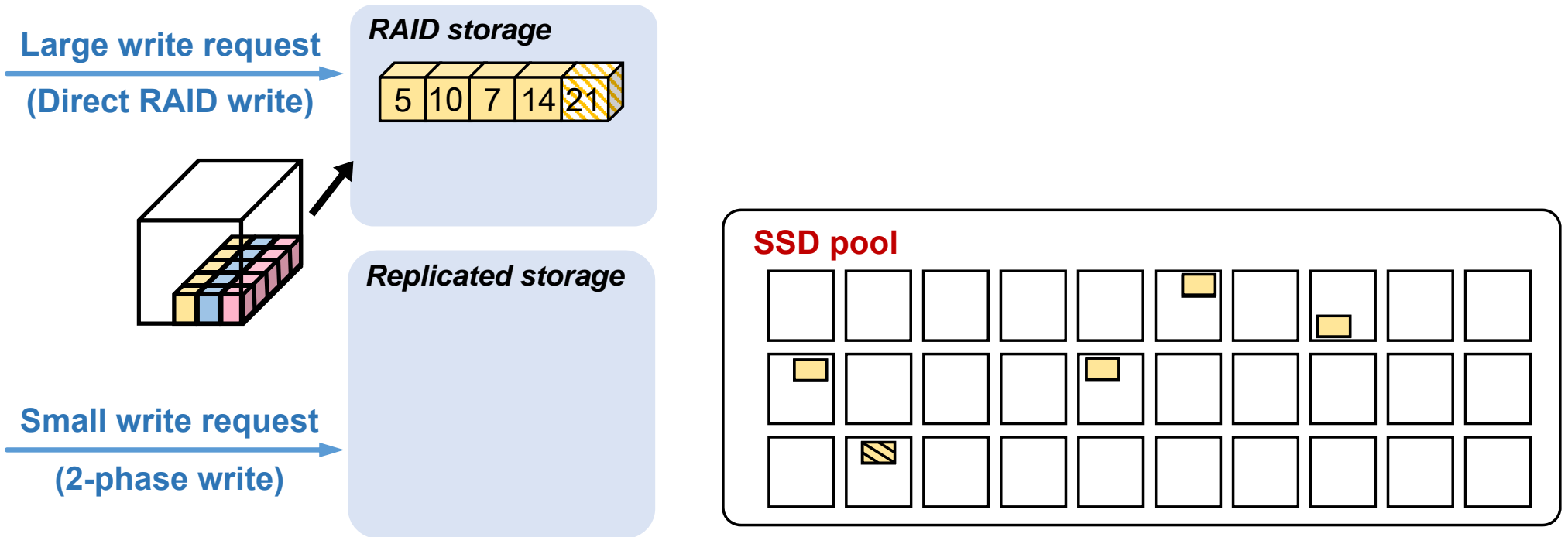
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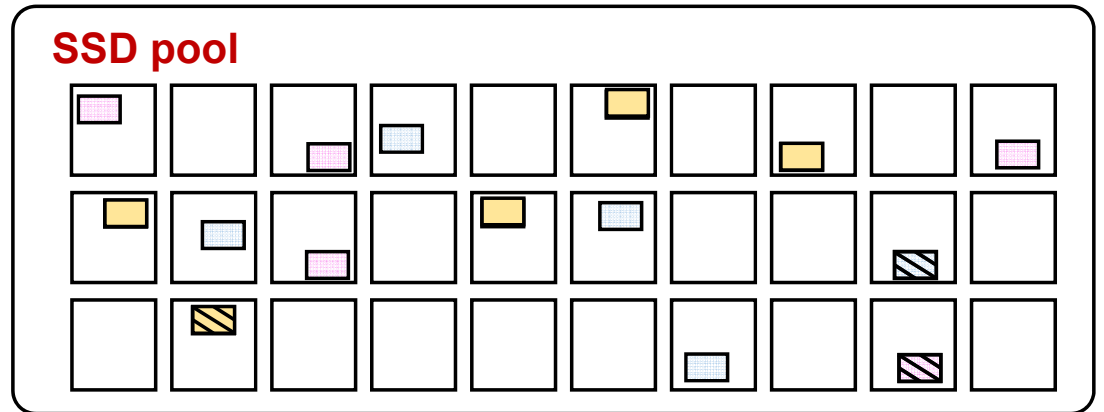
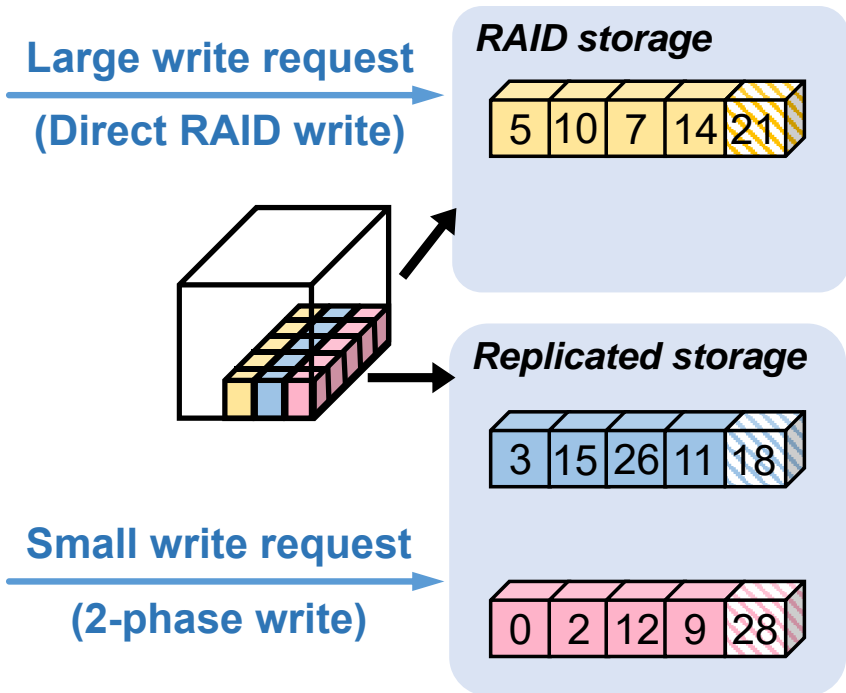
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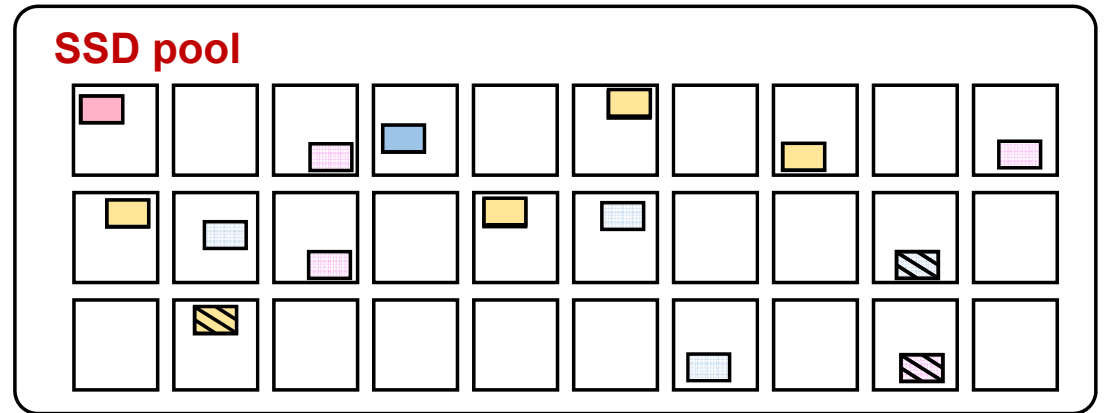
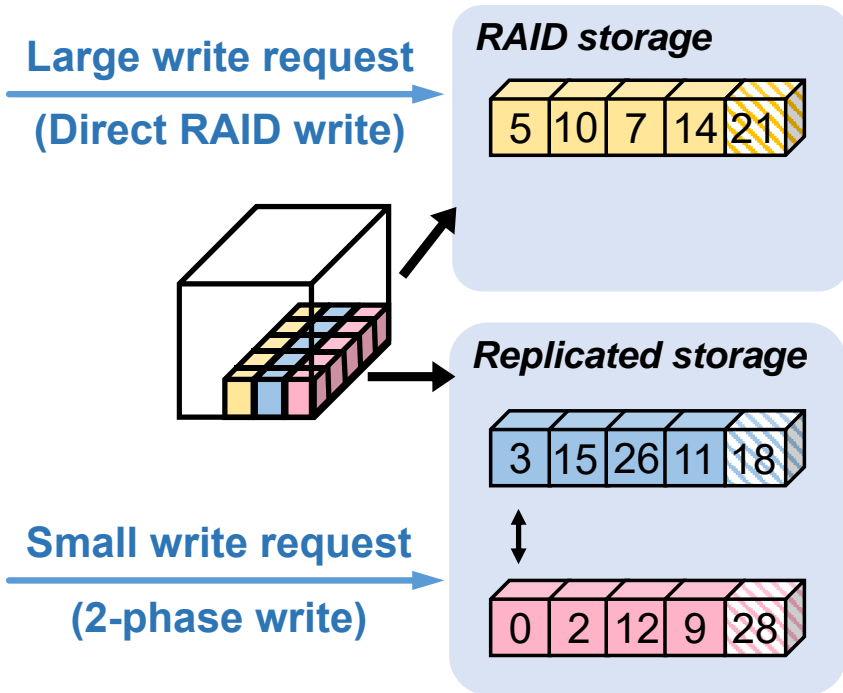
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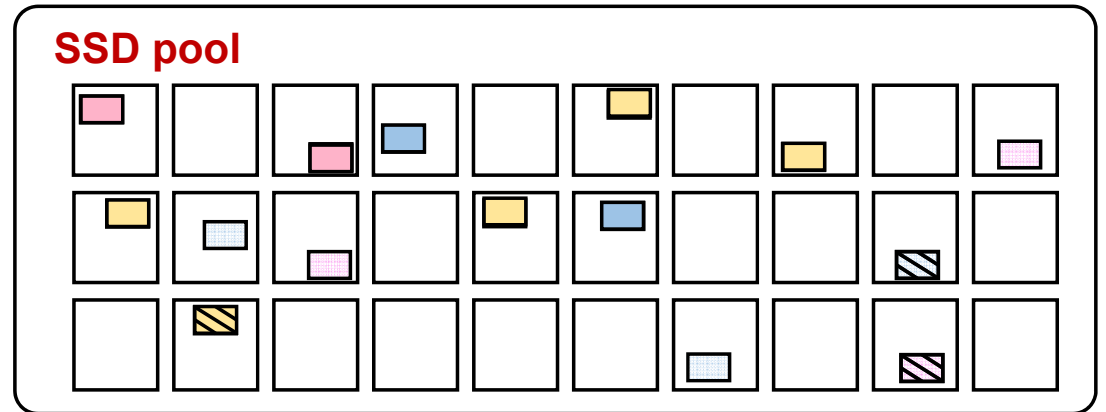
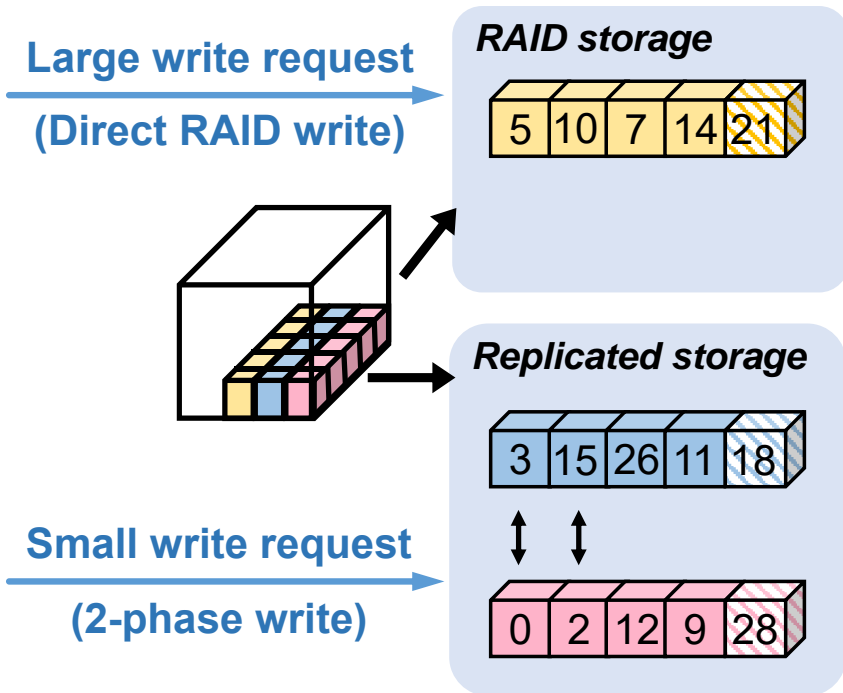
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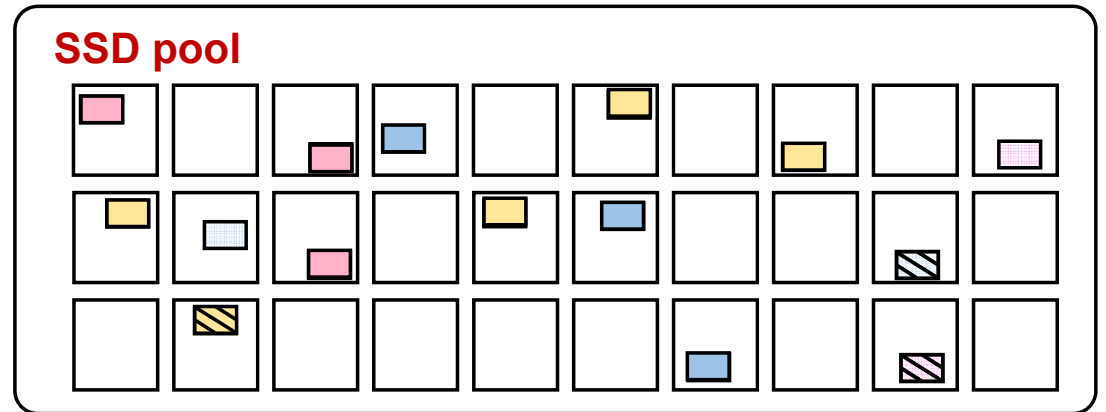
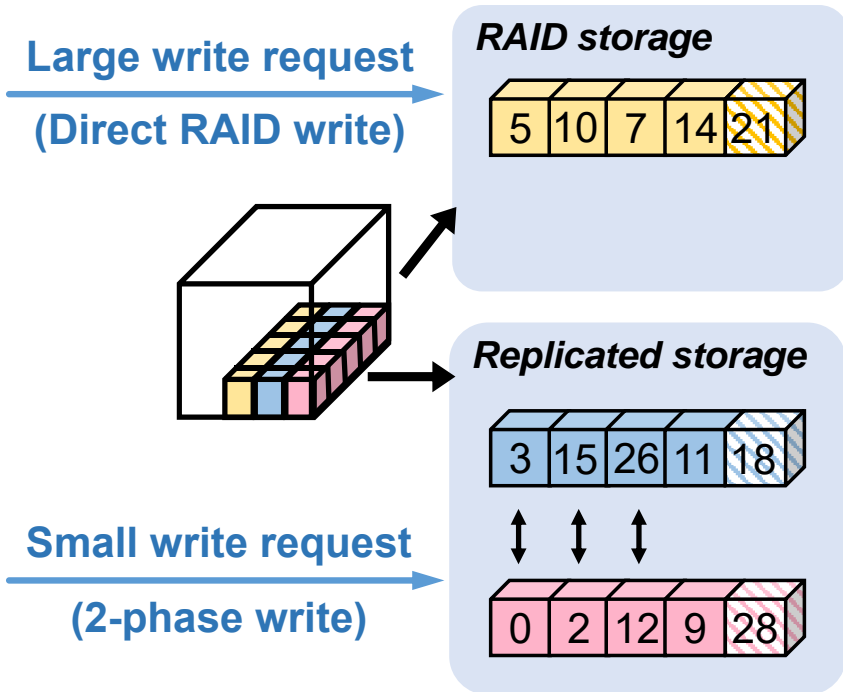


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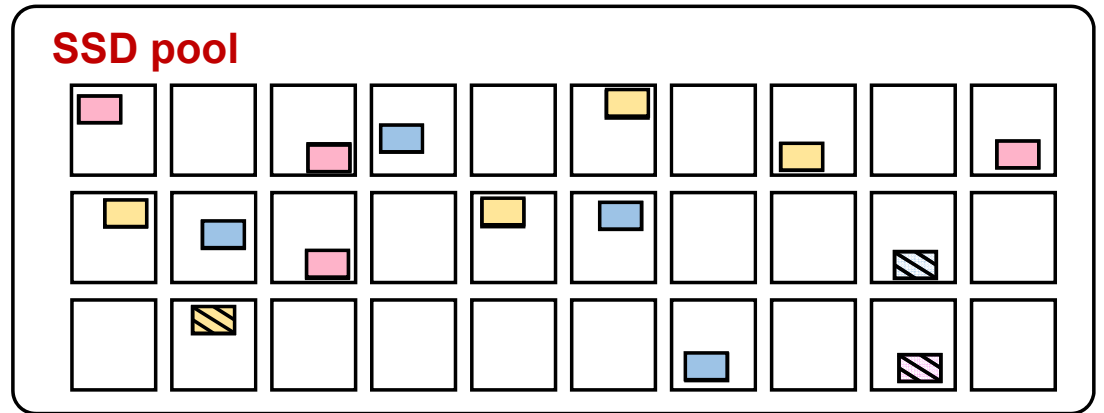
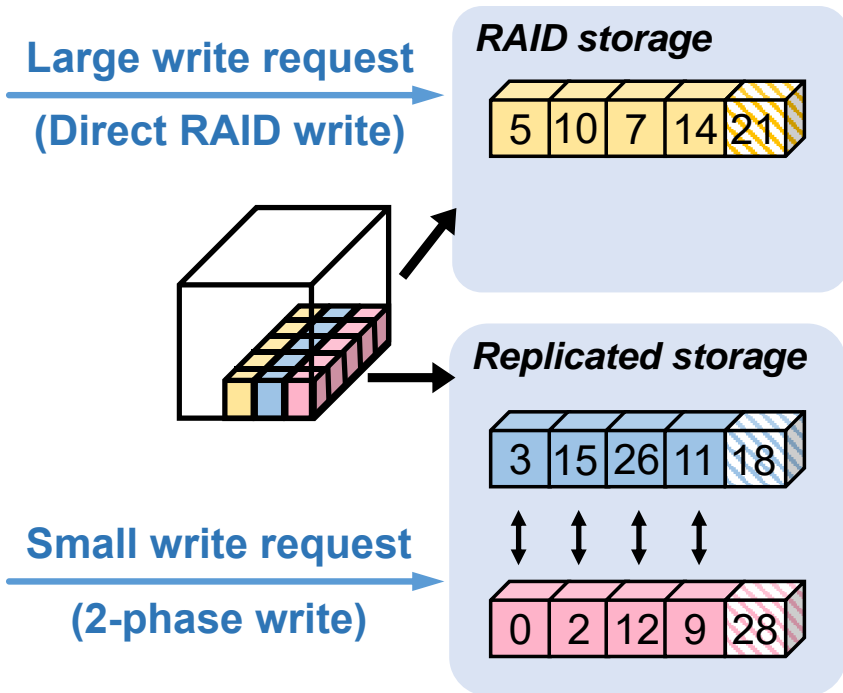




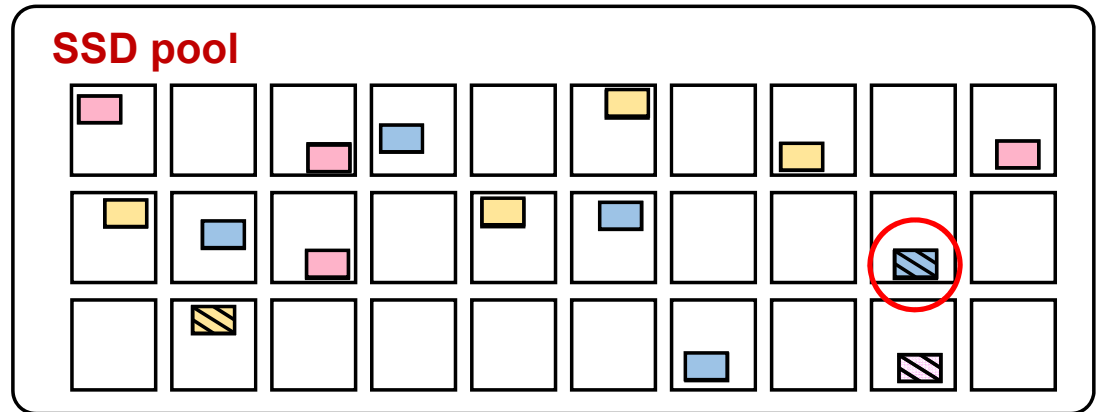
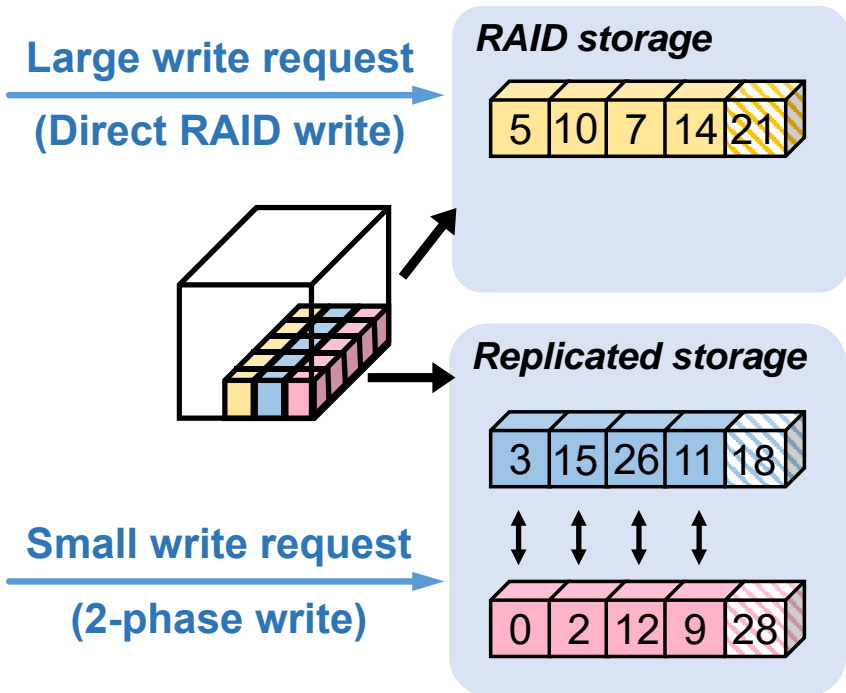
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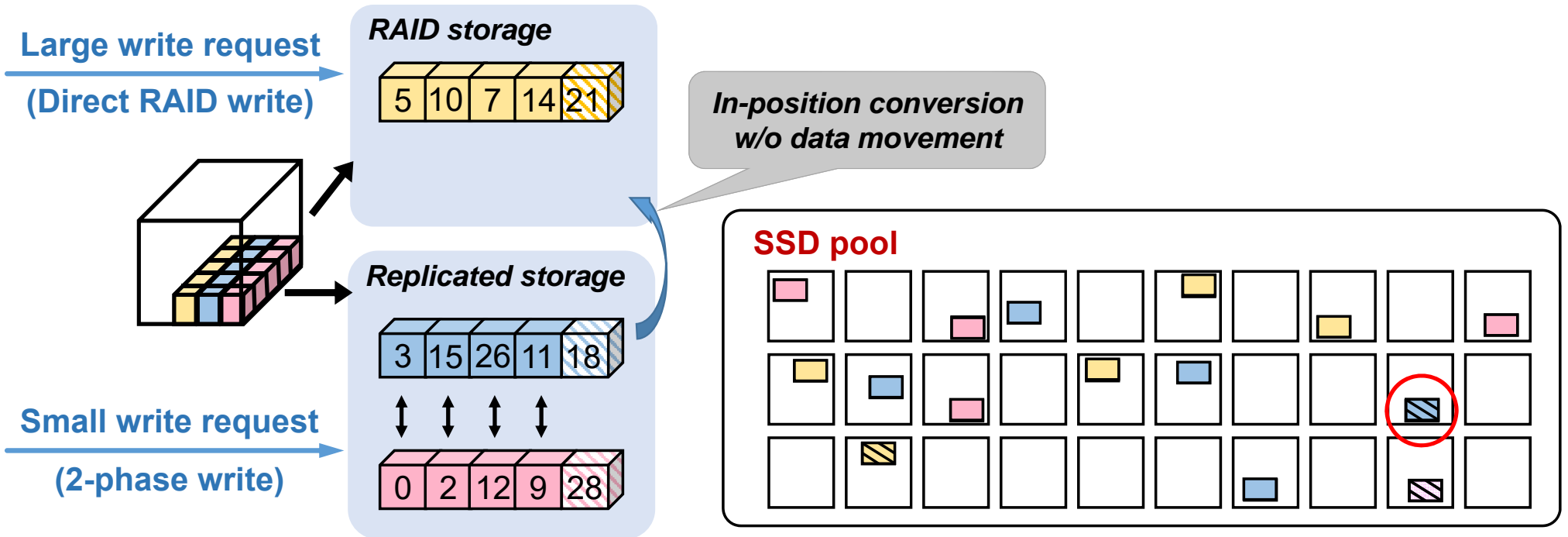
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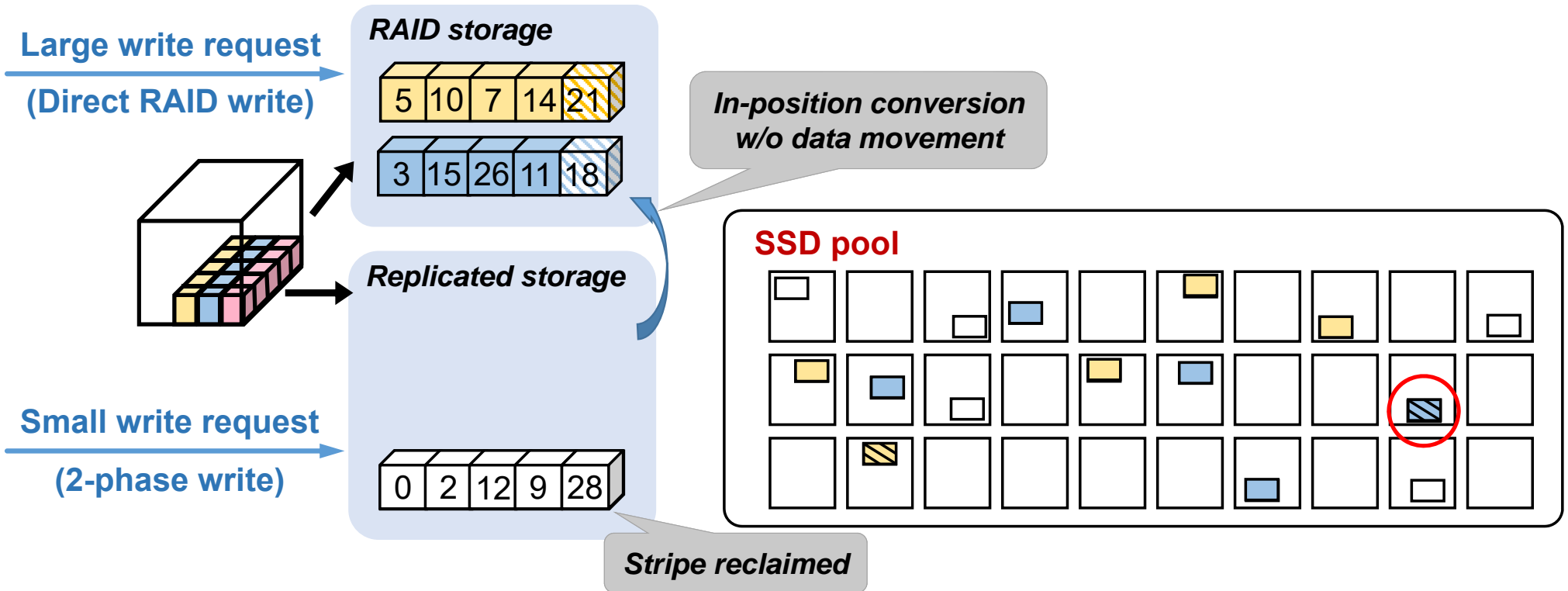
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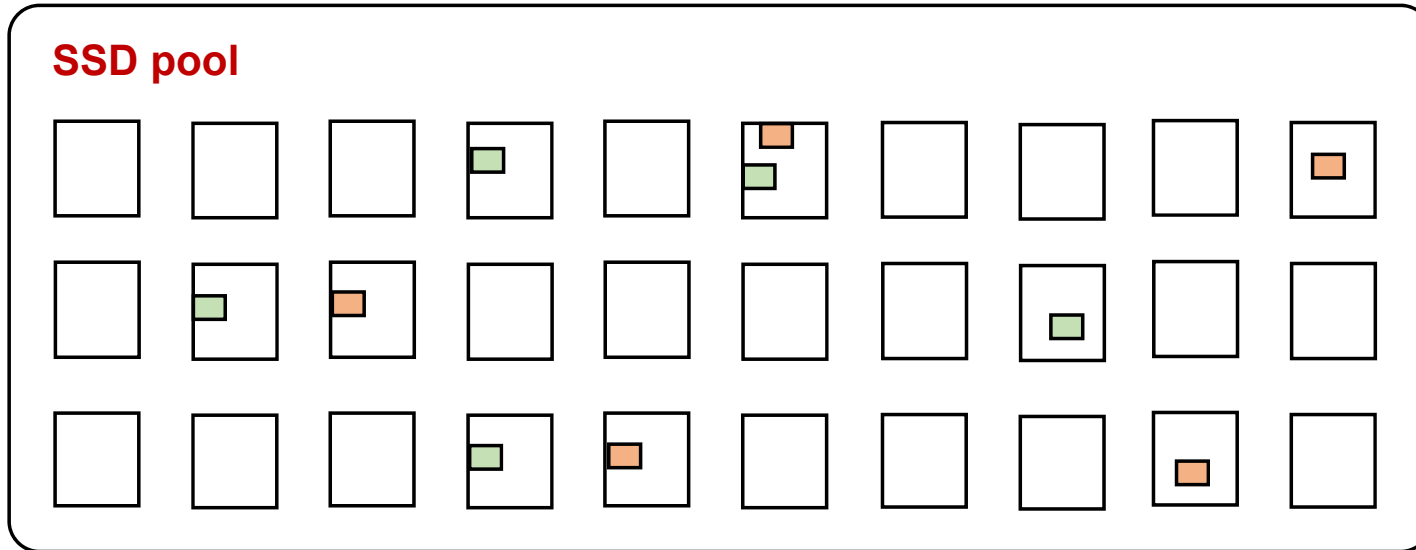
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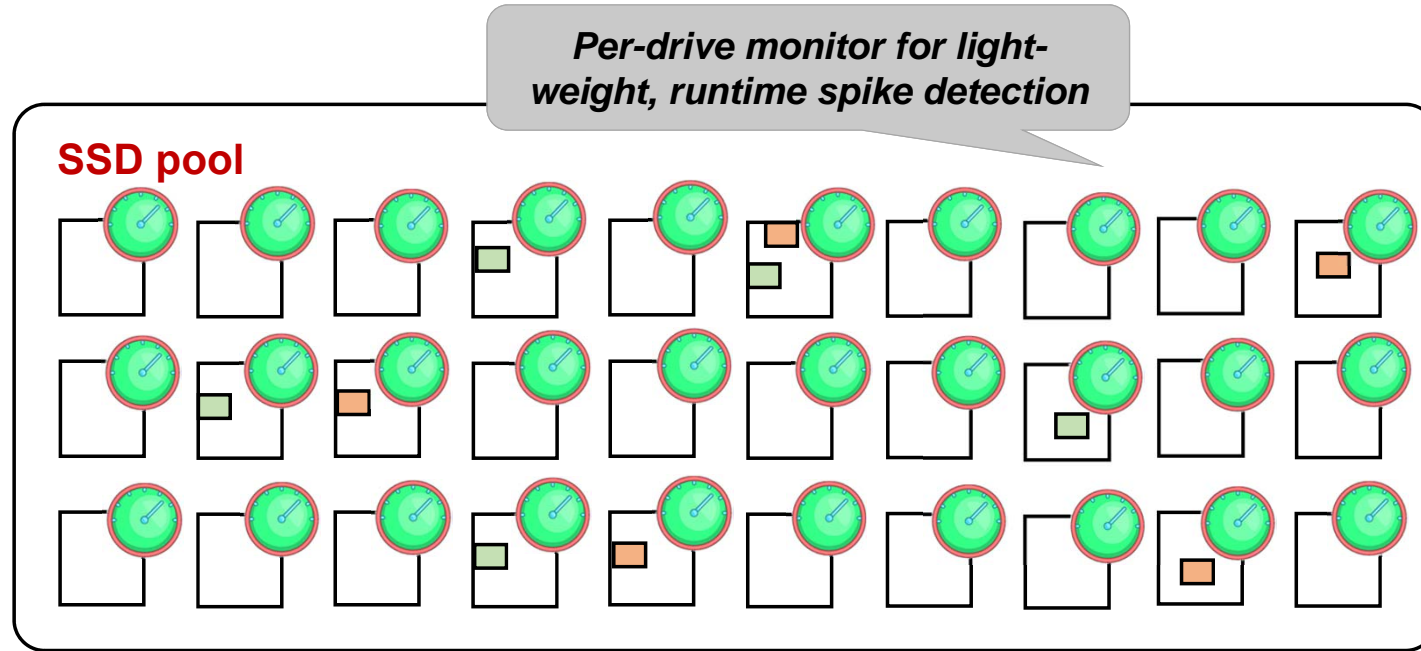
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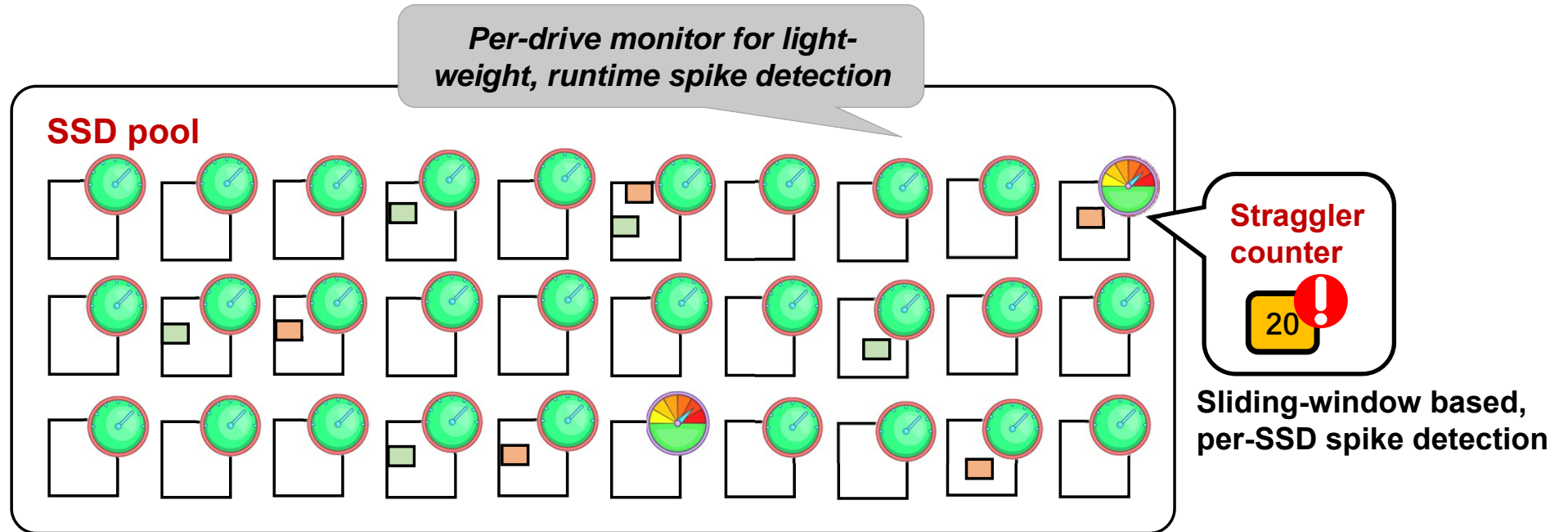
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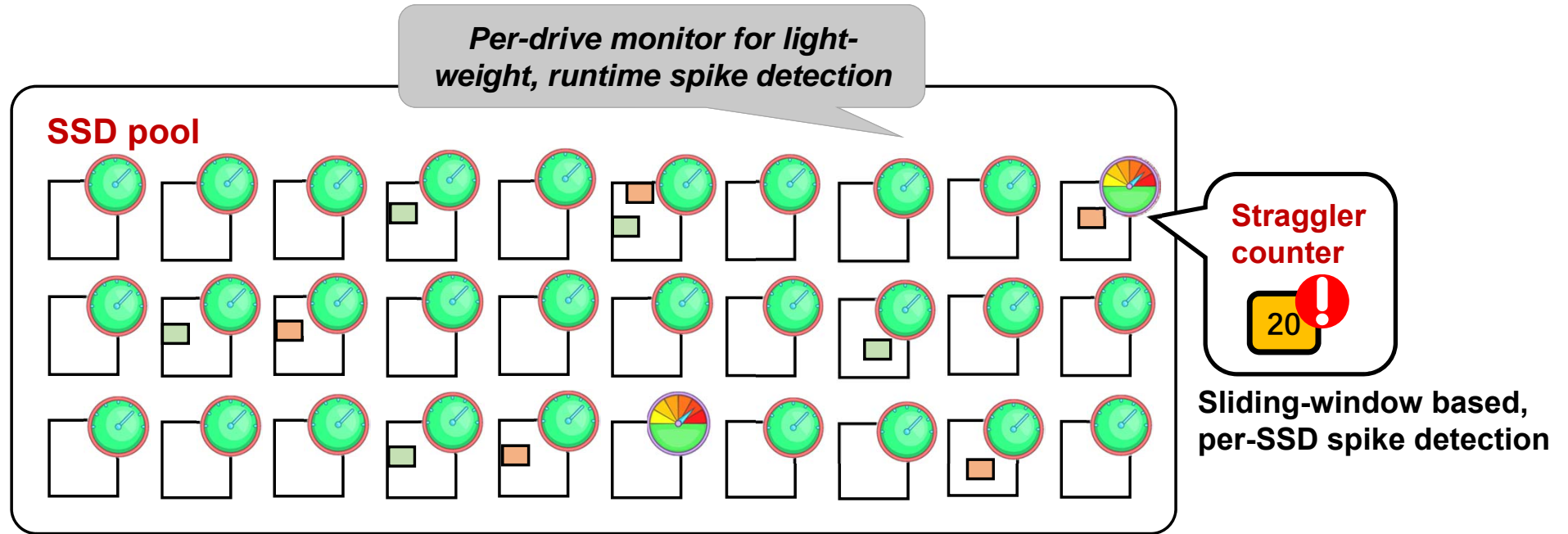


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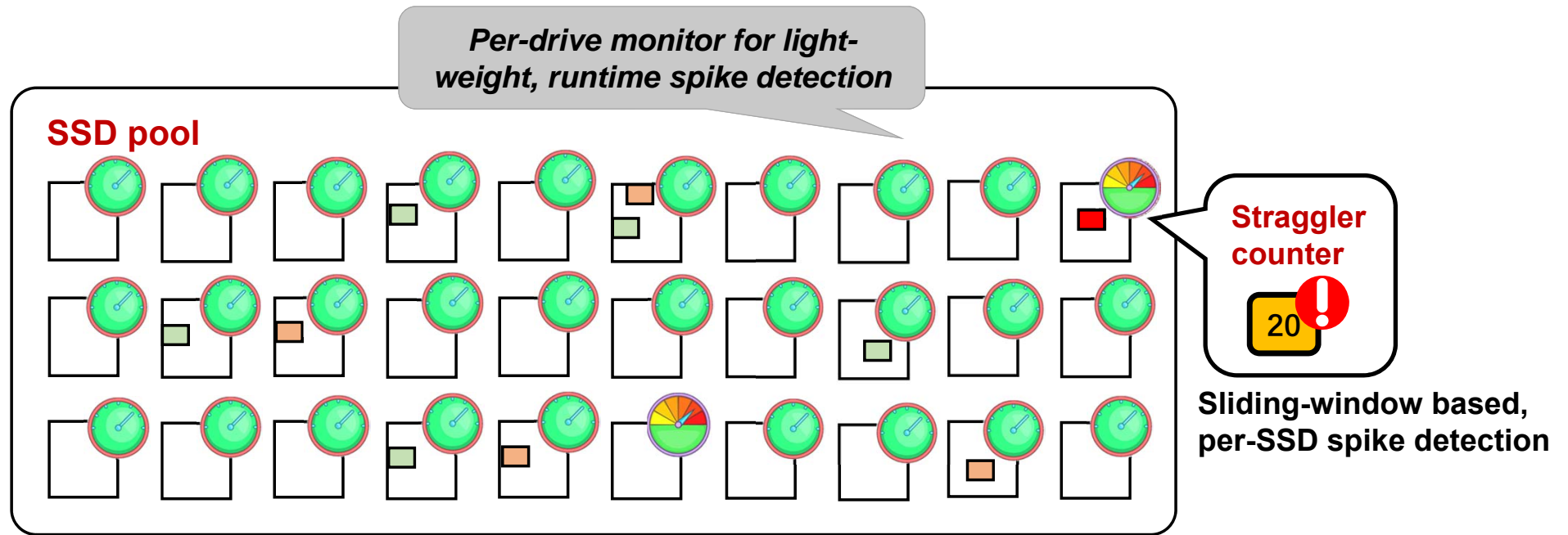
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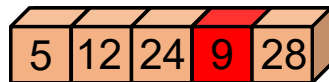
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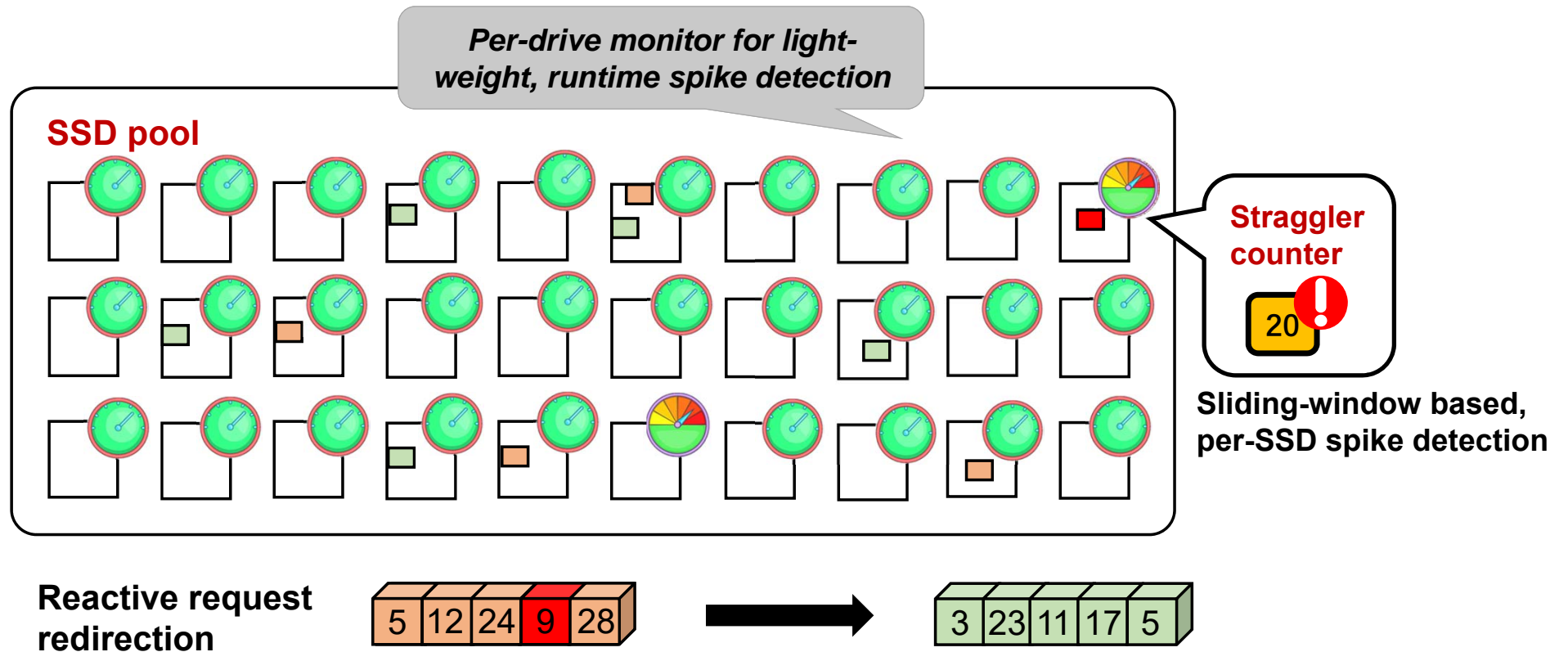
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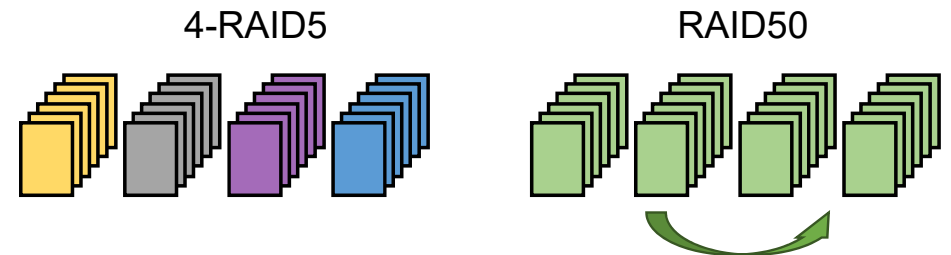
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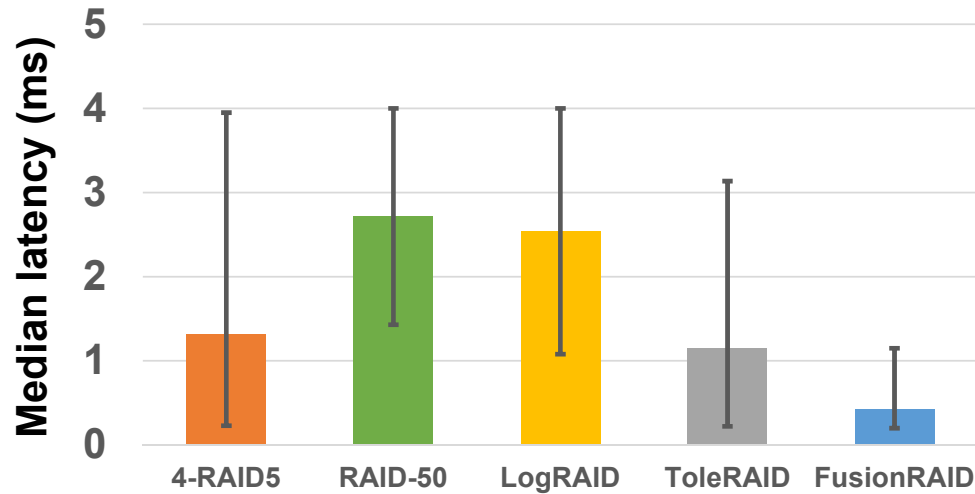


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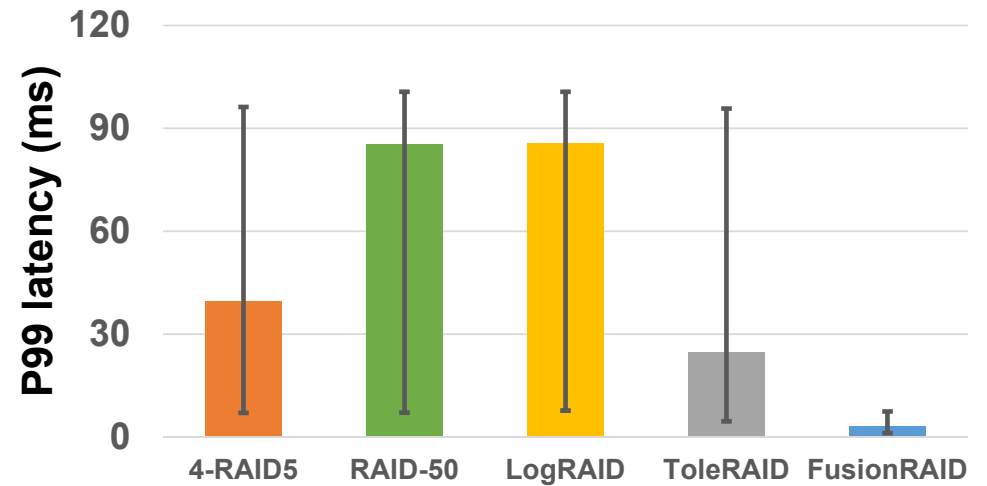
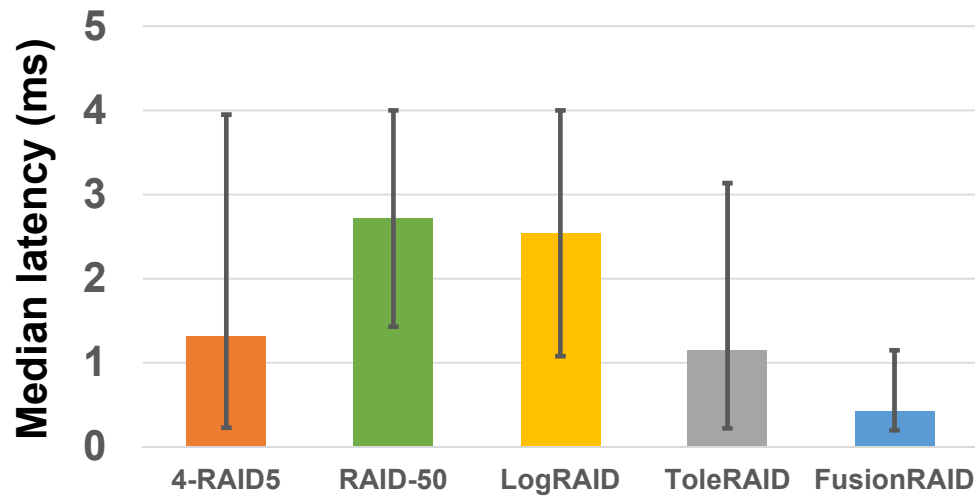
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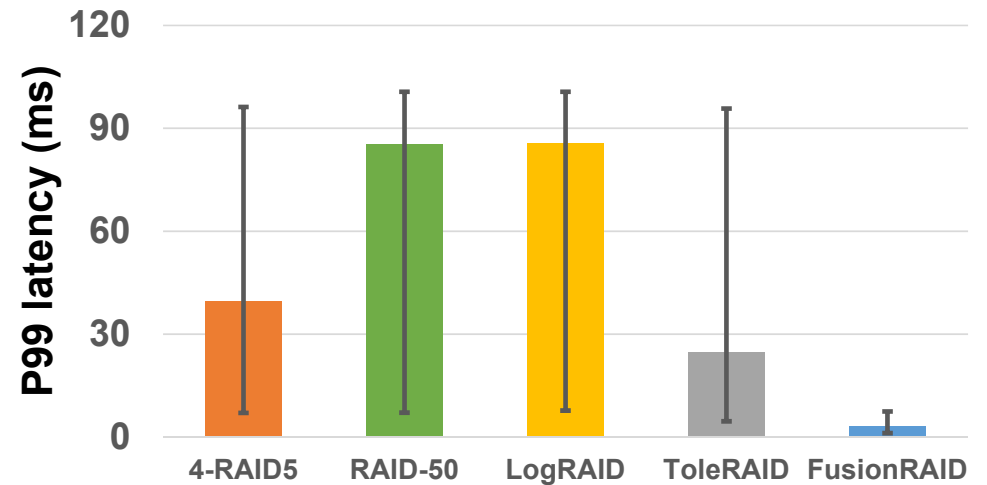
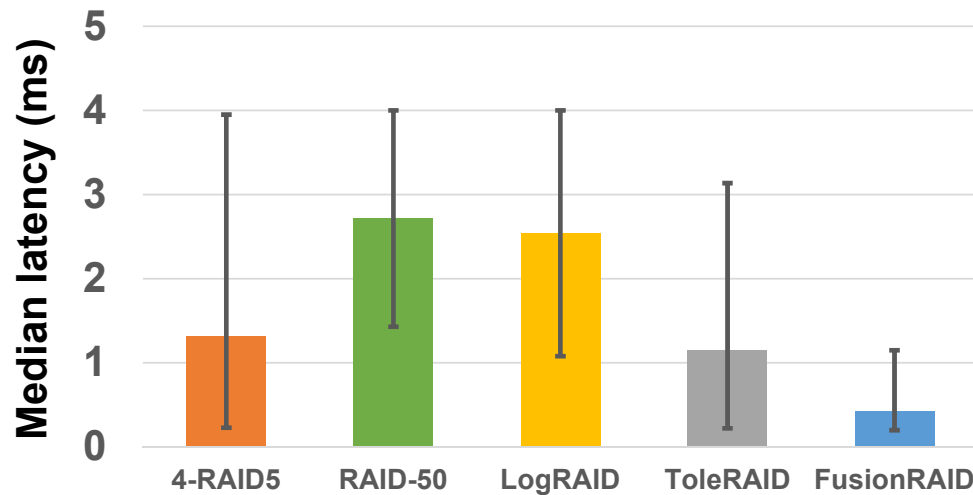
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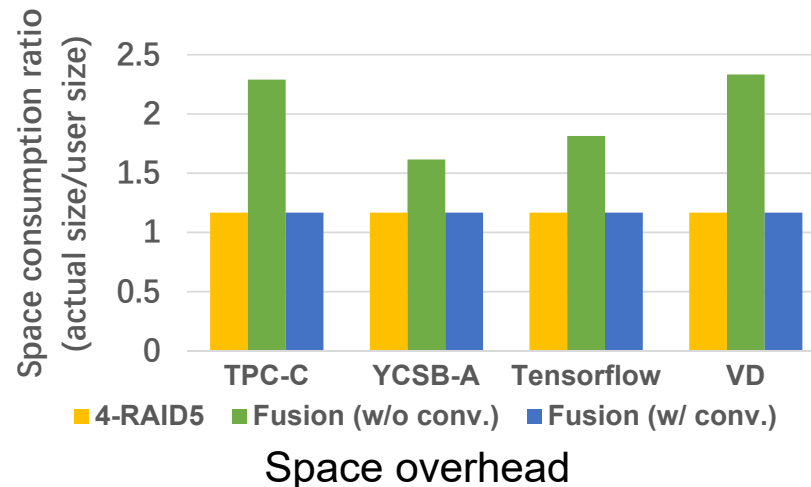
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