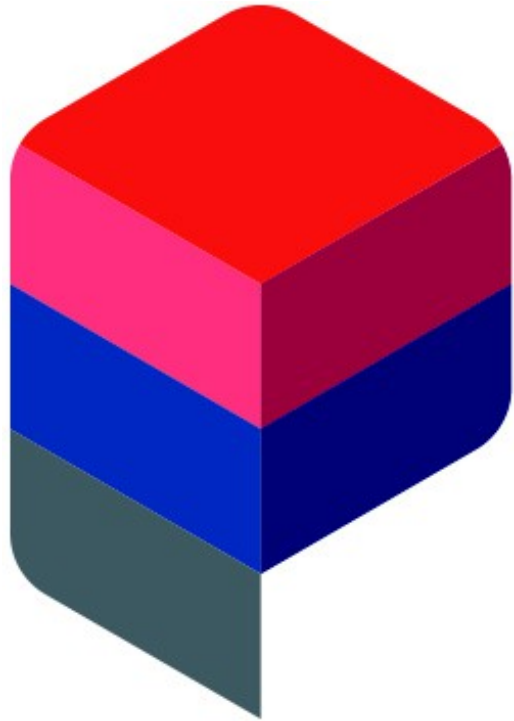




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Oracle Core - Database I/O

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Oracle DBMS Basics



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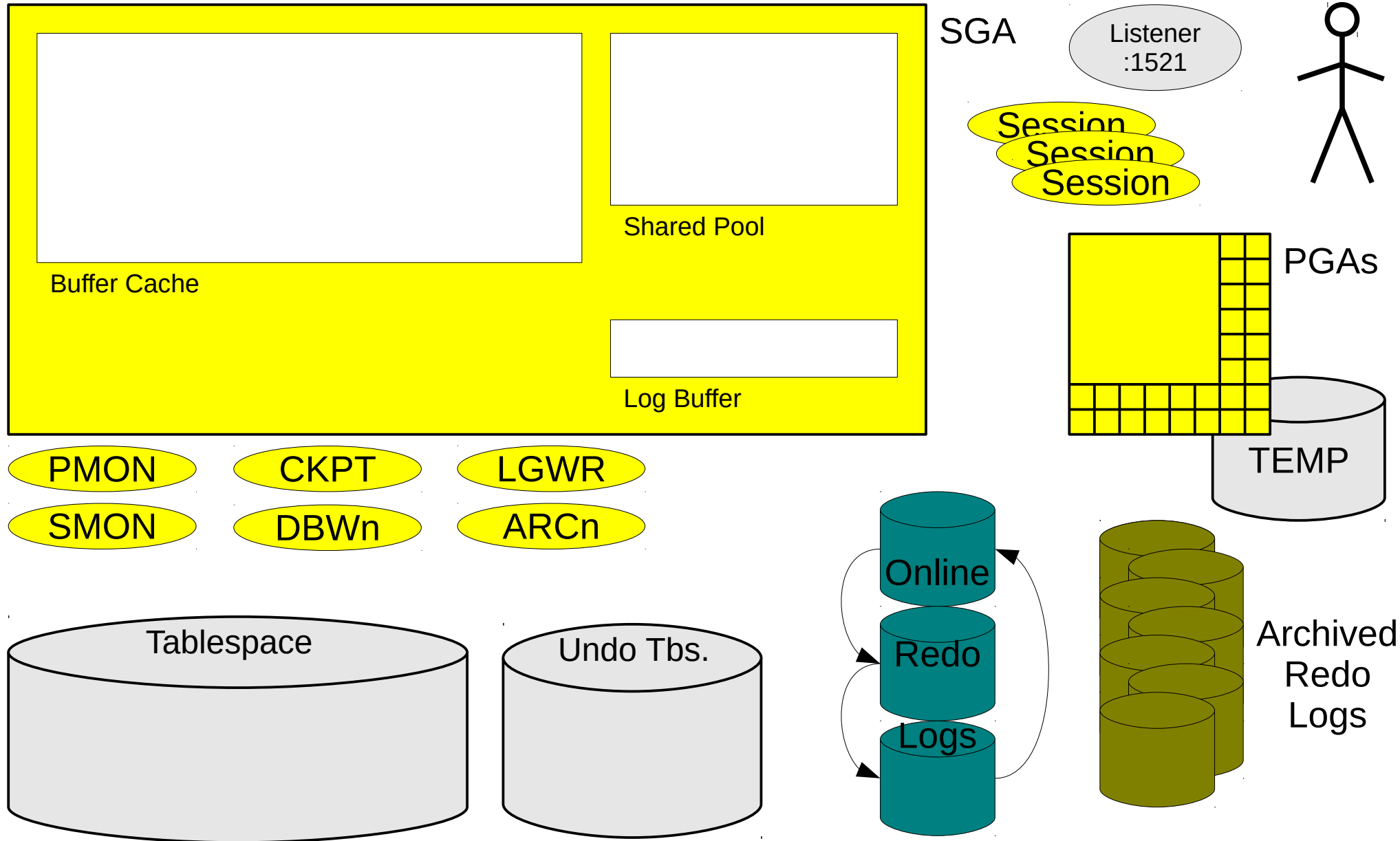


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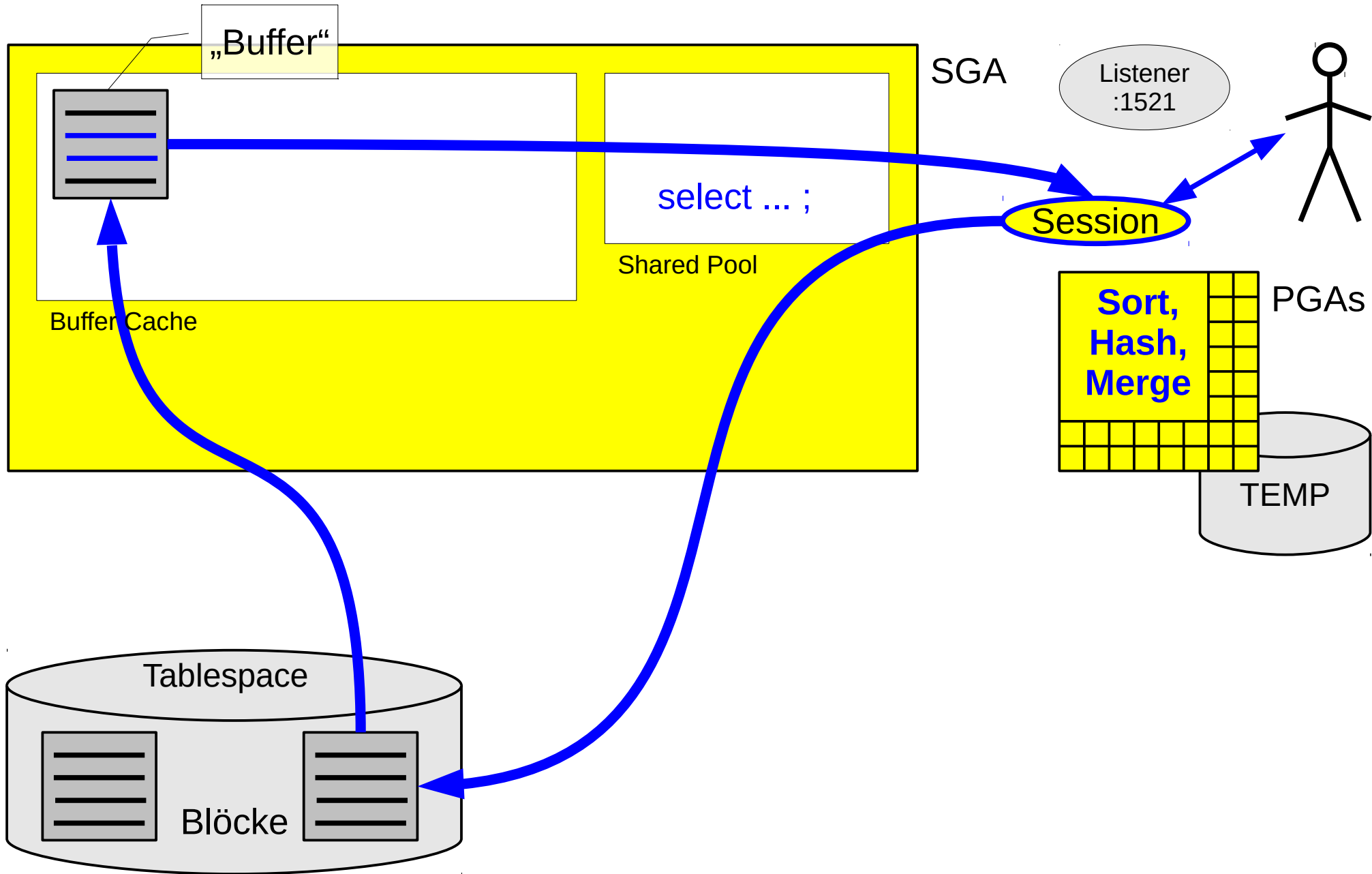
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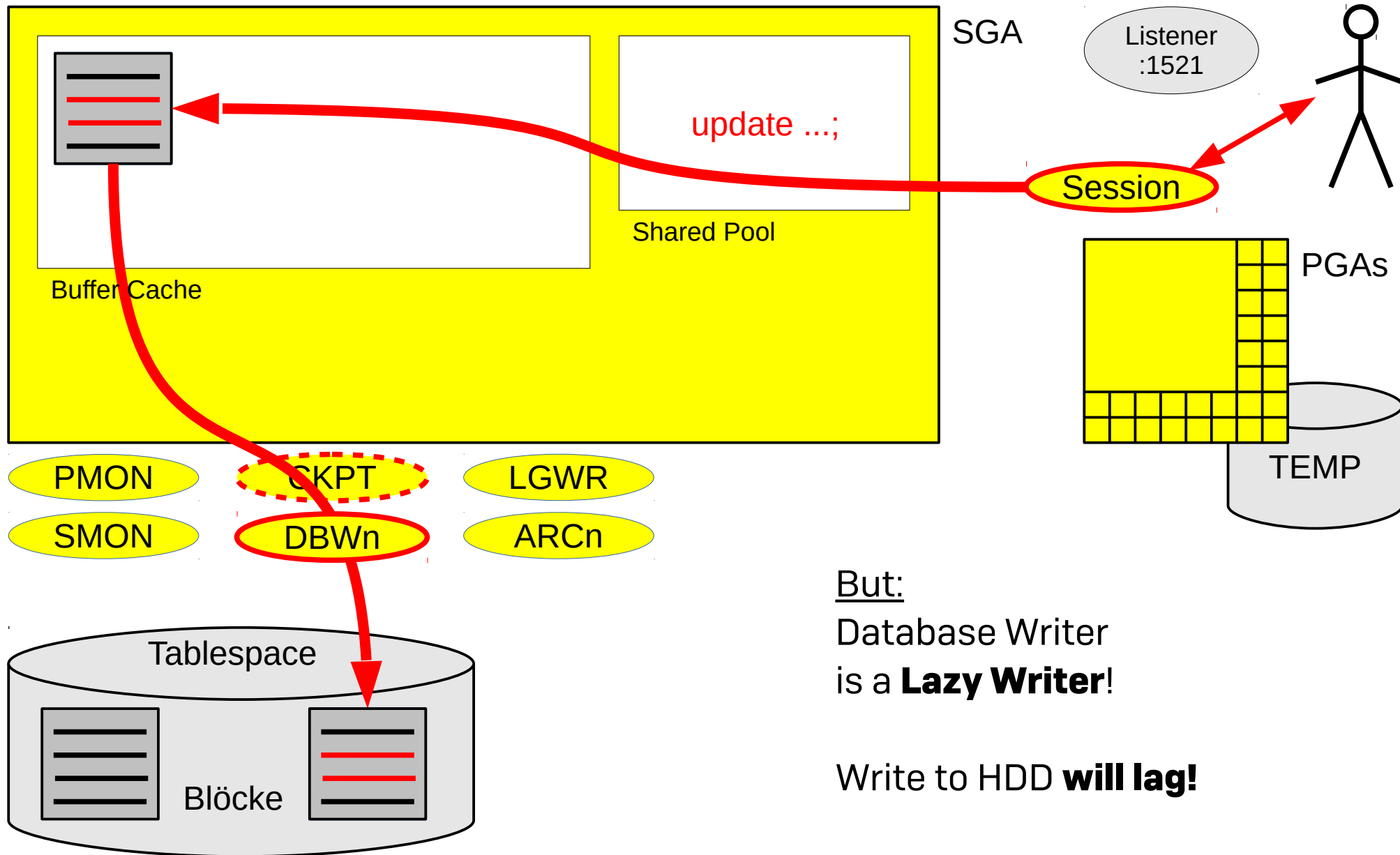
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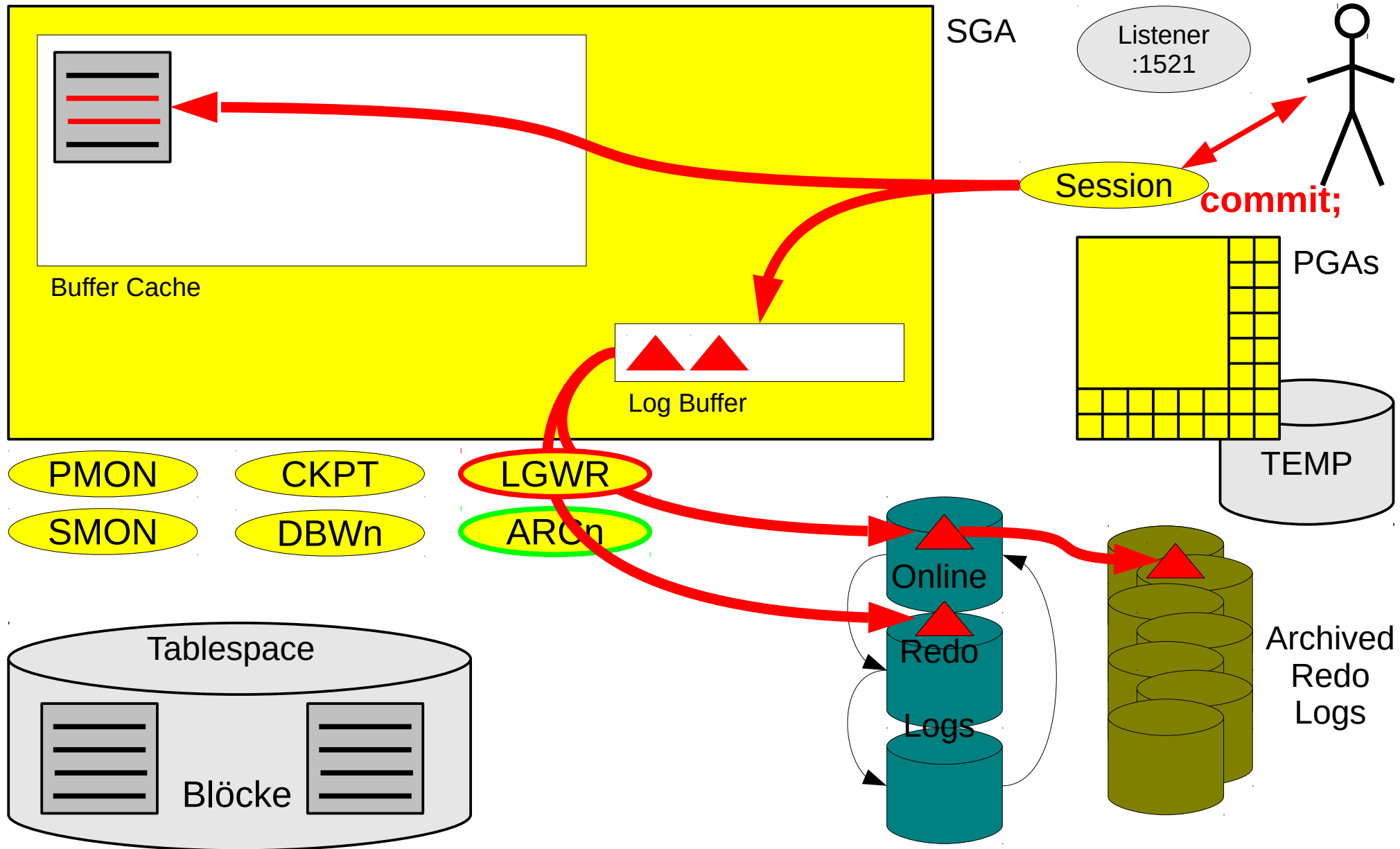


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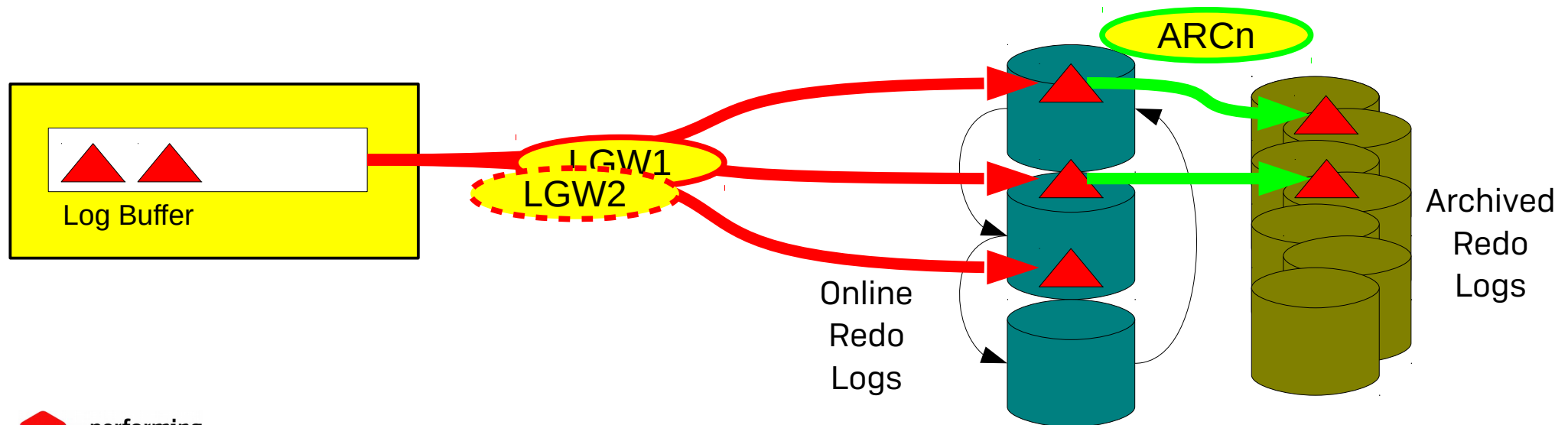
Changing Data

[Redo part]



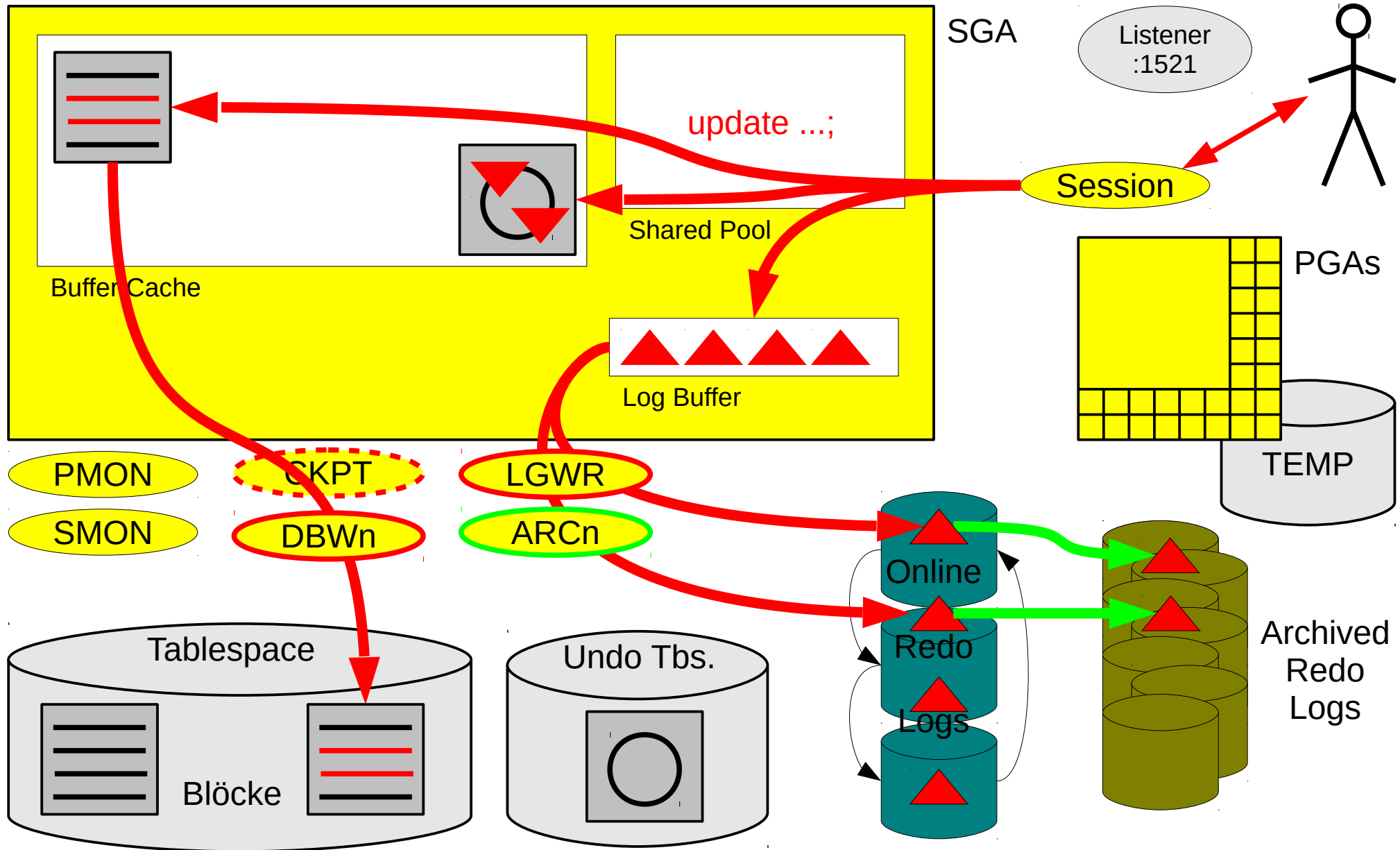
Writing Redo Logs

- At Commit
- Log Buffer Threshold
- latest after 3 sec
- [private strand flushed]



Changing Data

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Some IO-Categories



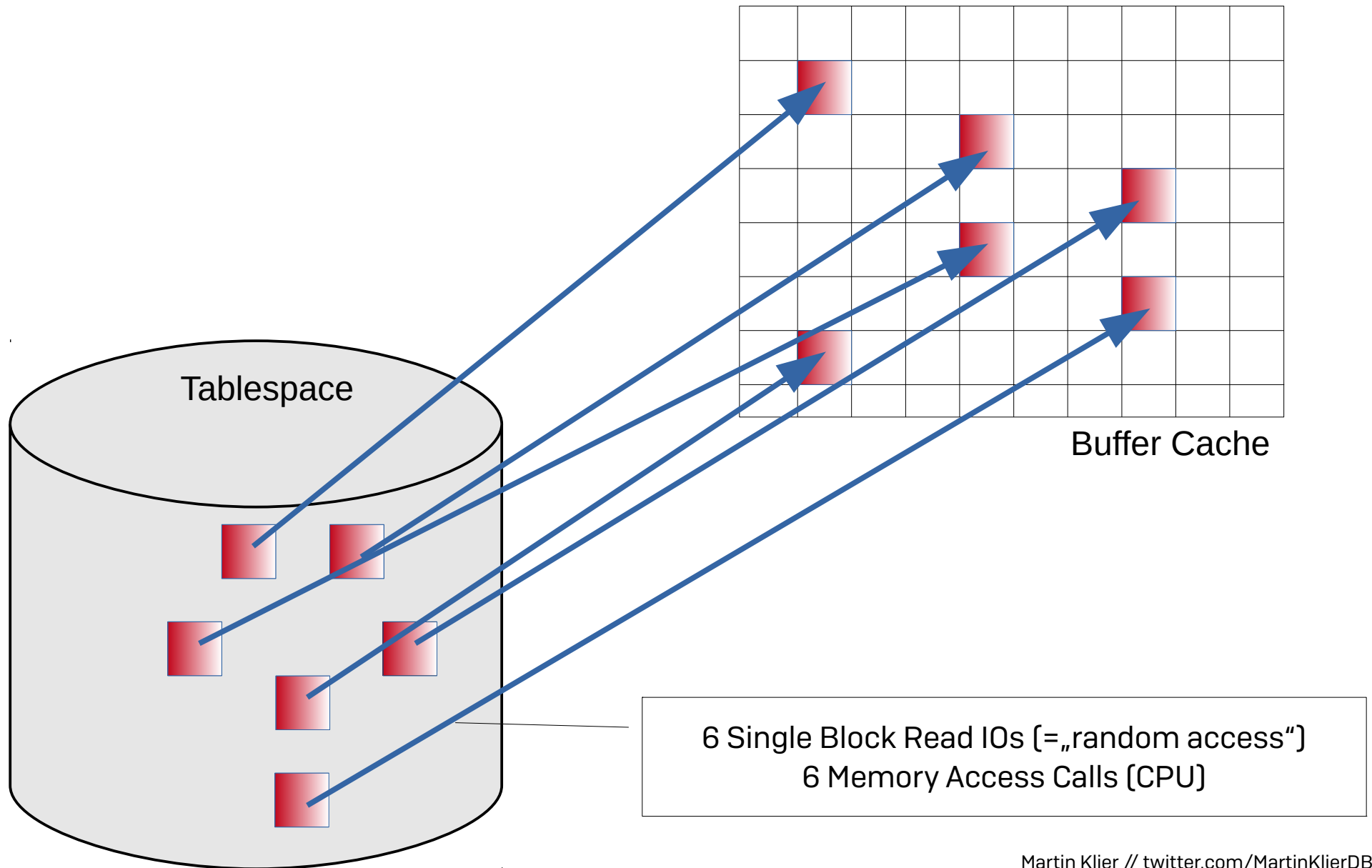
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Wait: DB file sequential read



Wait: DB file sequential read

- Used for Single Block Access (Index Block)
- Also used for Full Access, but in very low quantities
- 1 I/O call reads **1 block** from TBS
- Writes block content into the optimal buffer in the buffer cache

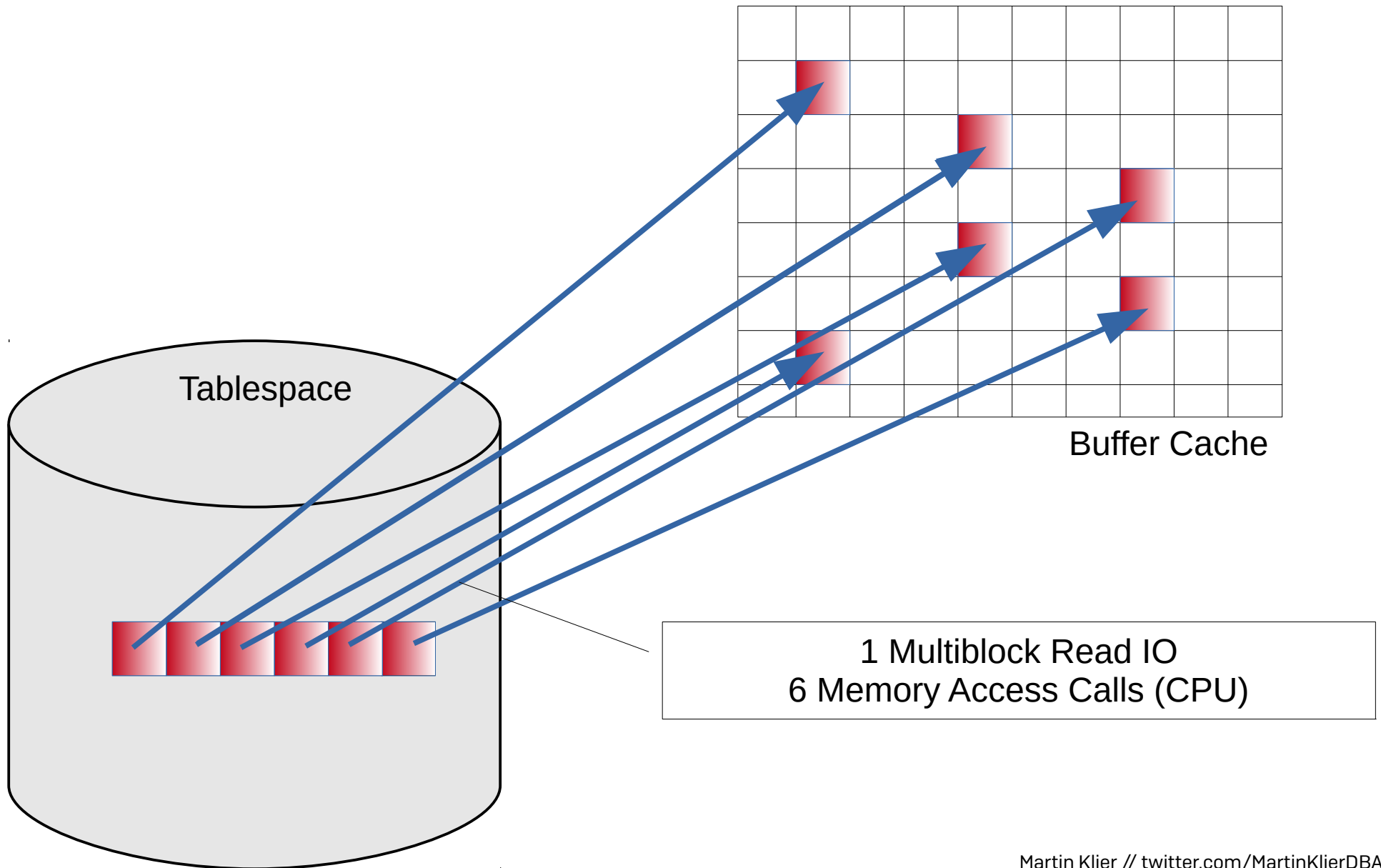
Quickie: TABLE ACCESS FULL

Special Thanks to Roger MacNicol :)

- Two Engines
 - Row-at-a-time driver
 - By row SCN
 - Not pushing down predicates
 - No aggregation
 - Block at a time driver on RDBMS (Turboscan)
 - Requesting blocks from TX layer
 - Can process predicates
 - ...
- Can be „into Buffer Cache“ or „Direct Read“

	1	SORT AGGREGATE
*	2	HASH JOIN
*	3	HASH JOIN
*	4	TABLE ACCESS FULL
	5	TABLE ACCESS FULL
	6	TABLE ACCESS FULL

Wait: DB file scattered read

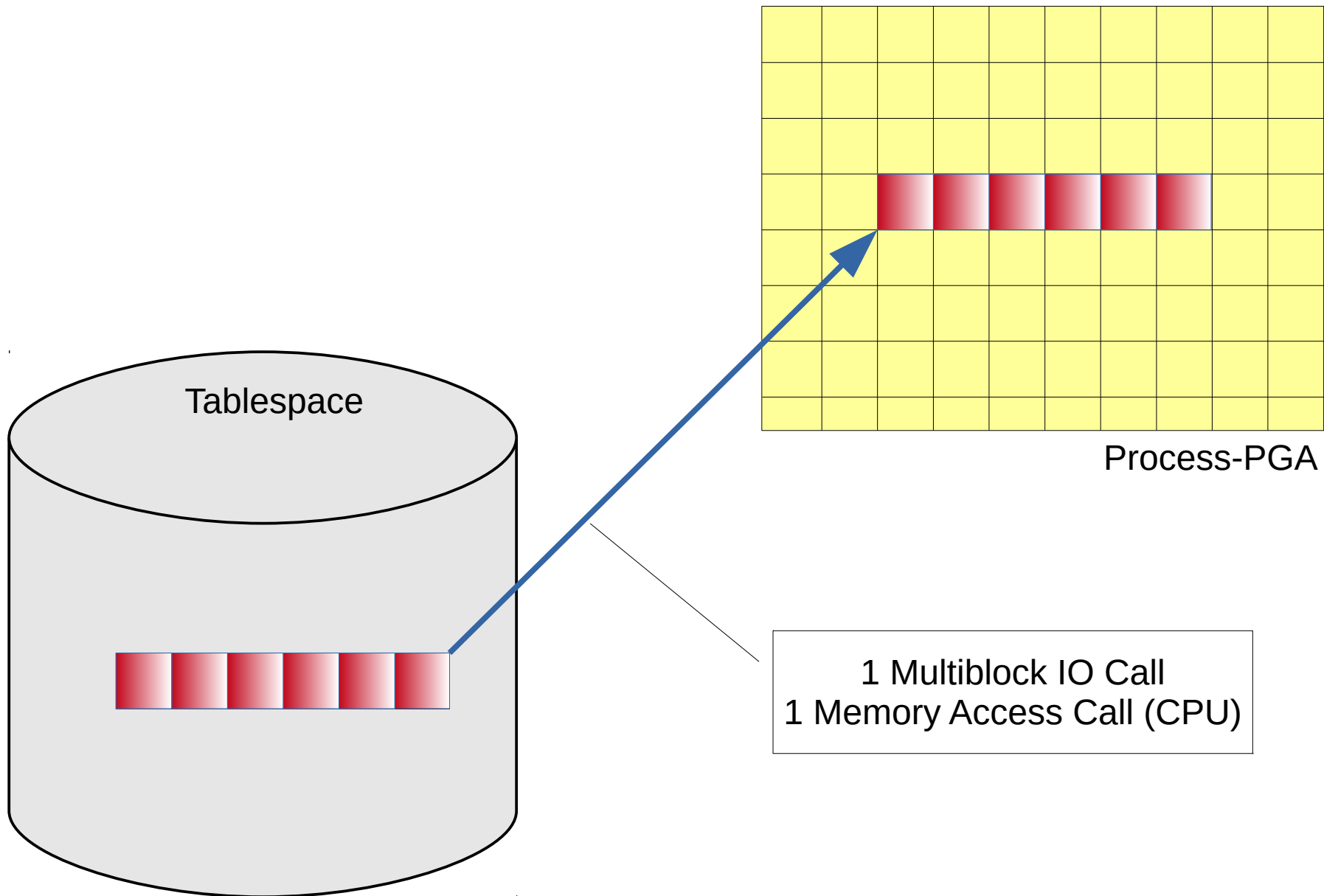


Wait: DB file scattered read

- Used for FULL SCANS (Table, Index ...)
- 1 I/O call reads **n contiguous blocks** from TBS
- $\max(n) = \text{DB_FILE_MULTIBLOCK_READ_COUNT}$
- Writes in a „scattered“ way into the buffer cache

Purpose: Saving IO time

Wait: Direct Path Read



Wait: Direct Path Read

- Used for massive reads (Parallel Exec, Export...)
- 1 I/O call reads **n contiguous blocks** from TBS
- $\max(n) = \text{DB_FILE_MULTIBLOCK_READ_COUNT}$
- Writes contiguously into the PGA of the calling process

Purpose: Saving IO- and CPU time (less memory operations)

Oracle ASM



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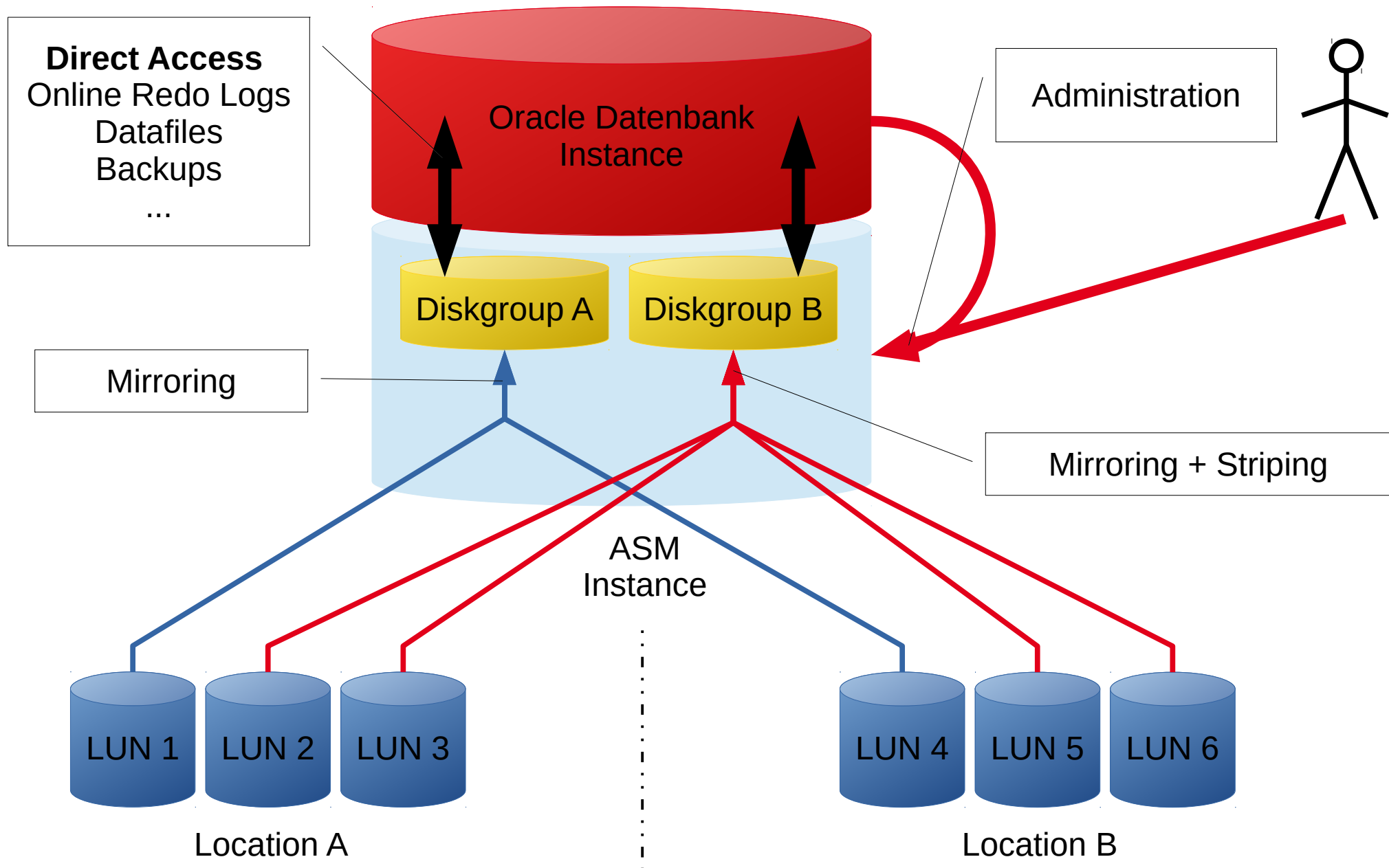
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ASM

- „Automatic Storage Management“
[Automagic?]
- Logical Volume Manager
- Bypassing file access layer („File System“)
[like a Raw Device]
- Multi-Master possible
- Human interface / ops by SQL or CLI

Automagic SM



Storage Sizing Basics



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#StorageTechHorrors

- The database fits into the cache anyway!
- We avoid IO anyway if possible!
- Mirroring? Why? We have hourly Archivelog Backups!
- Ten years ago, this have been Megabytes!
- I've been doing this for 20 years.
Our storage IS fast enough for!

5-Fingers IOPS calculator

1. Data Block - one
2. Undo Block - two
3. Online Redo Log - three
4. Archived Redo Log - four
5. Control File - five

Wrong -

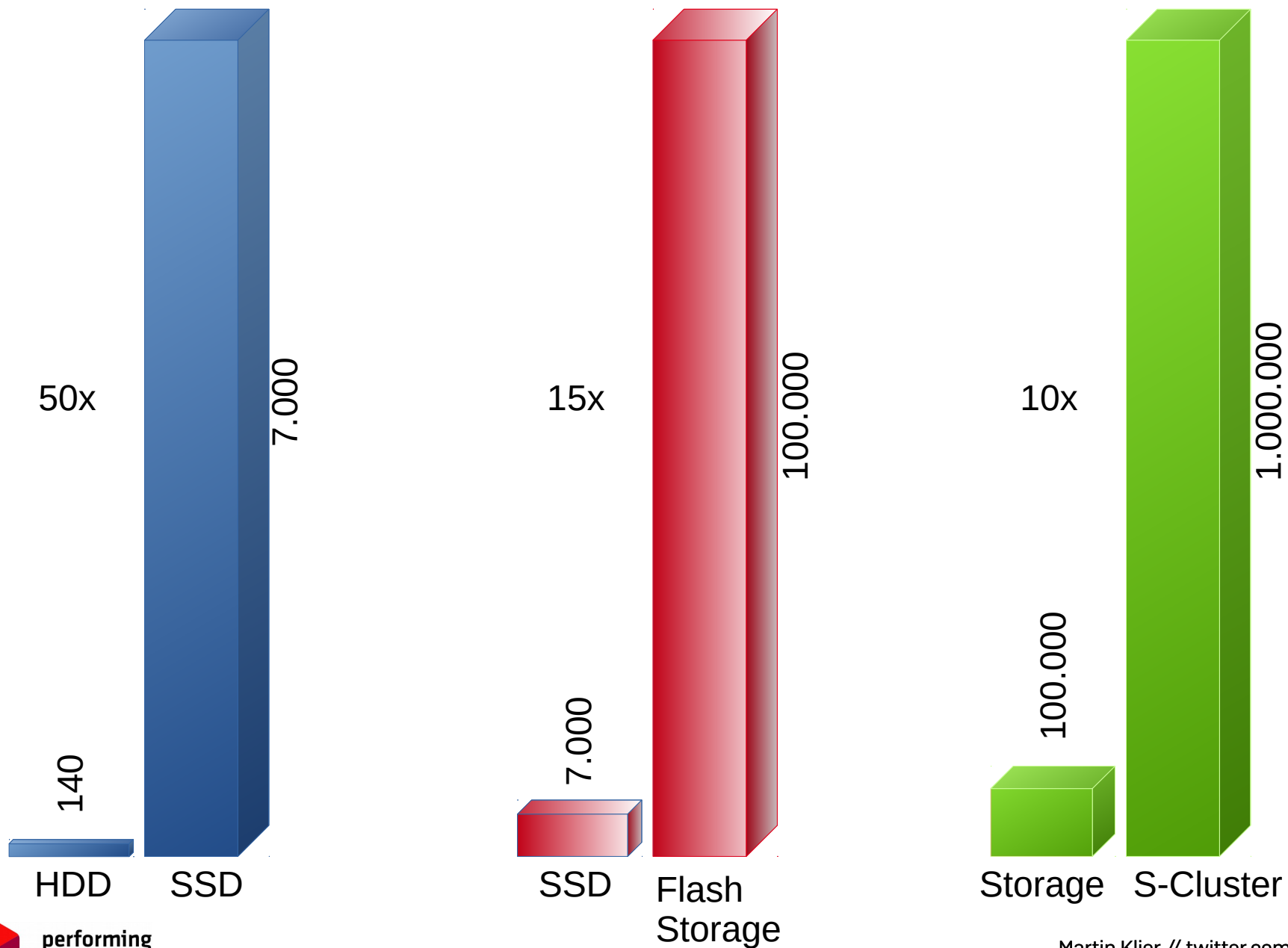
- but OK -

+1 for any further block

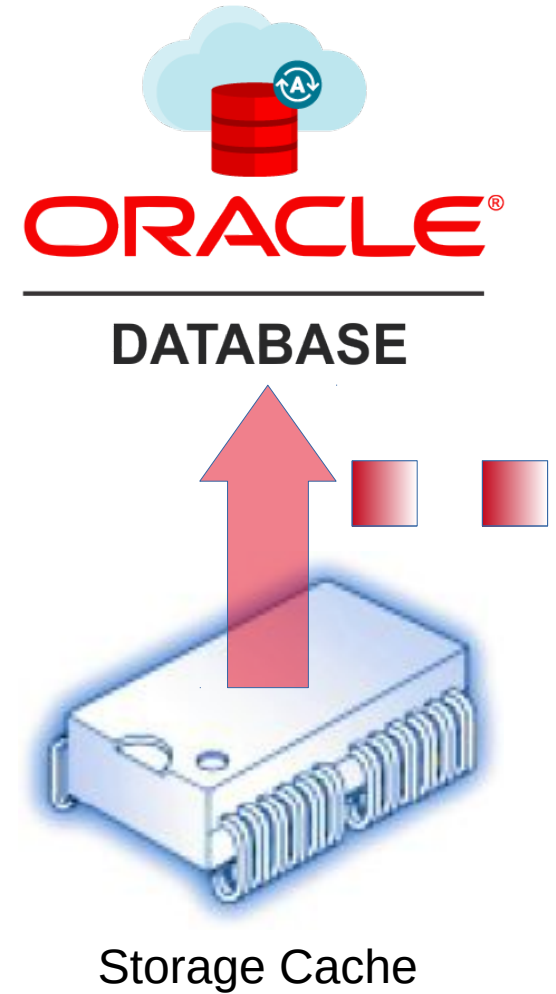
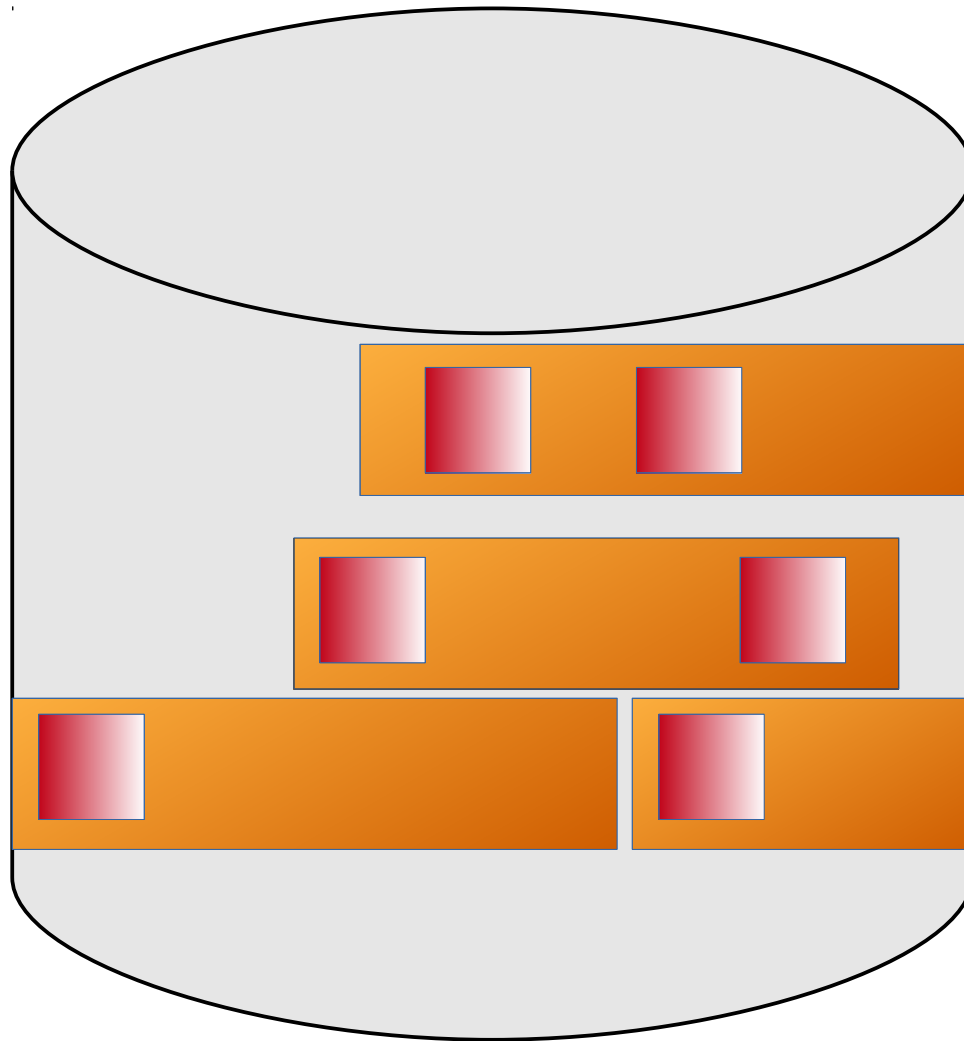
+1 for Flashback Log



IOPS compared

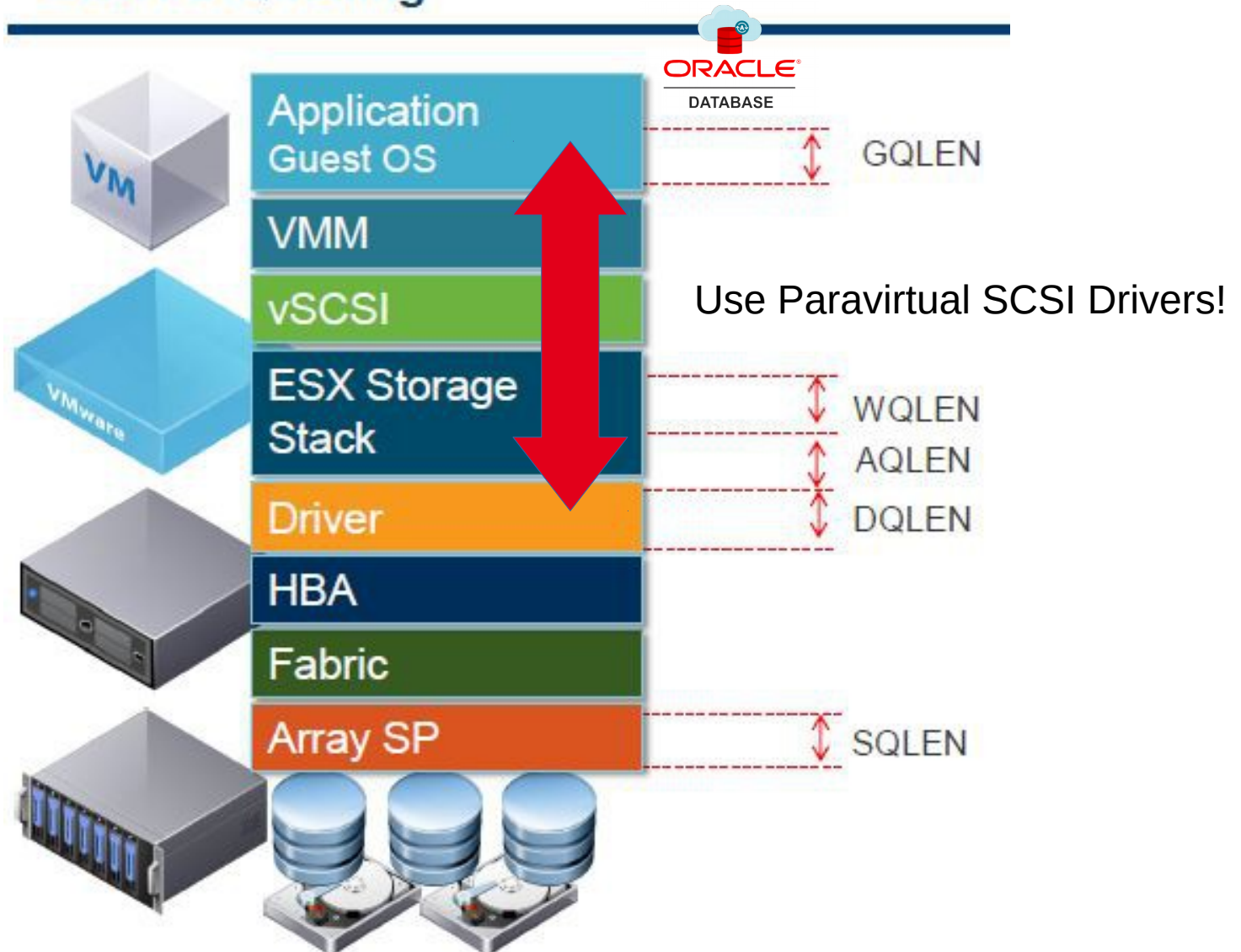


Real-world Storage Read (Ahead)



VMware IO

Disk I/O Queuing



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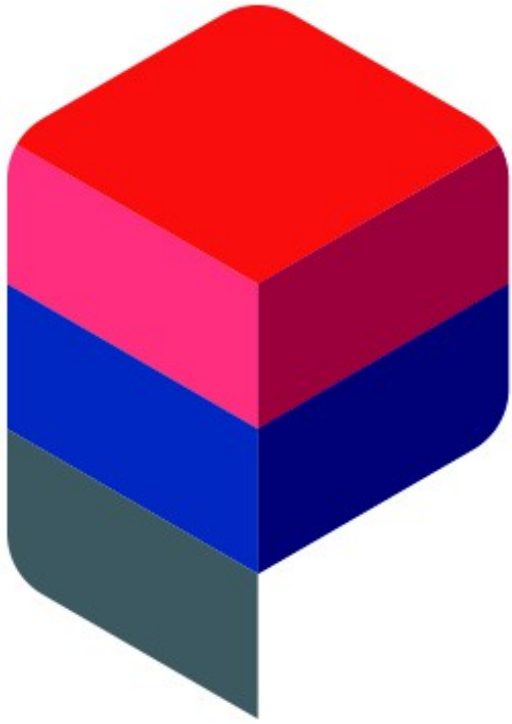
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