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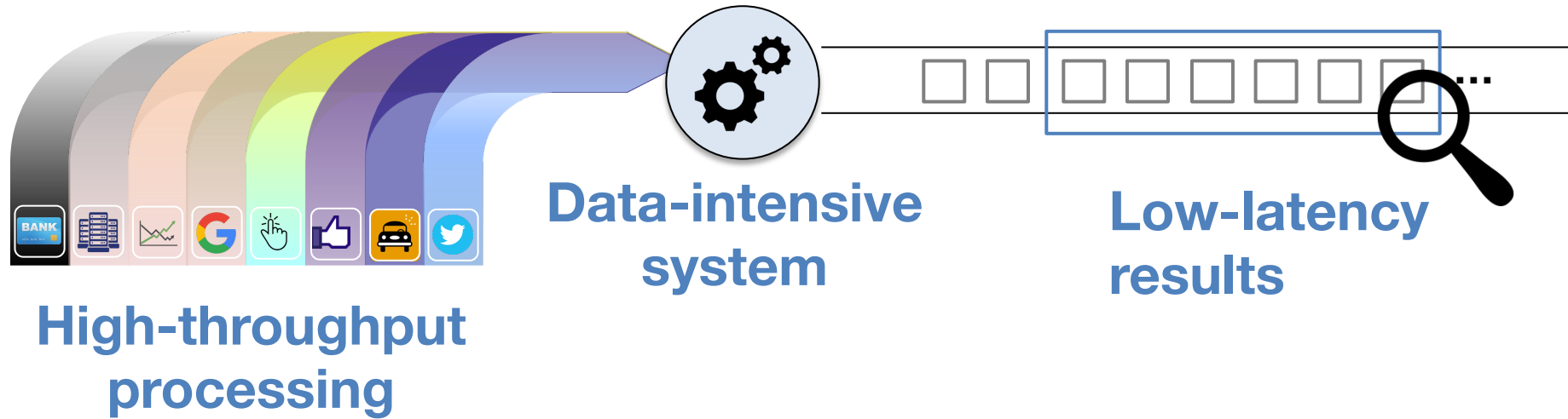
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# **Scalable and Fault-Tolerant Data Stream Processing on Multi-Core Architectures**

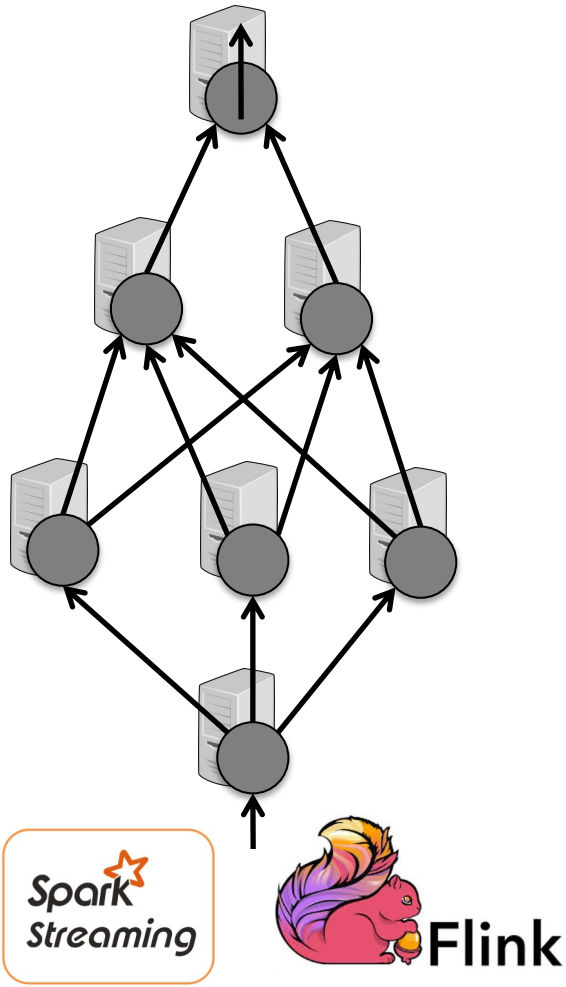
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# Throughput and Result Freshness Matter



Facebook Insights:	12 GB generated content/s	< 10 sec latency
Feedzai:	24M credit card transactions/user	< 10 ms latency
Uber:	PB data/day	< 1 ms latency
NovaSparks:	150M trade options/s	< 1 ms latency

# Distributed Stream Processing Engines Face Challenges



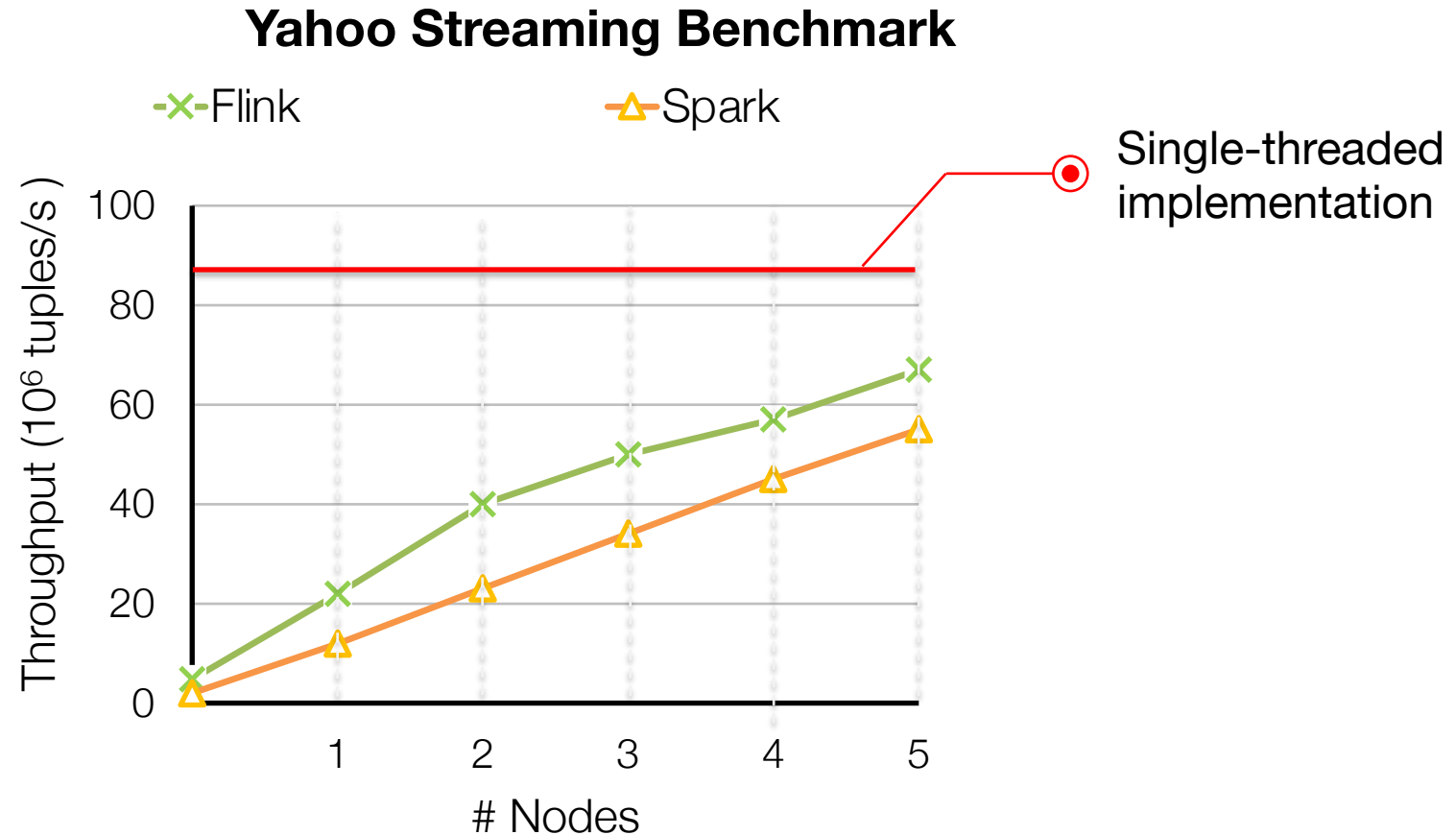
## Pros

- > Complex analytics scalability
- > Fault-tolerance

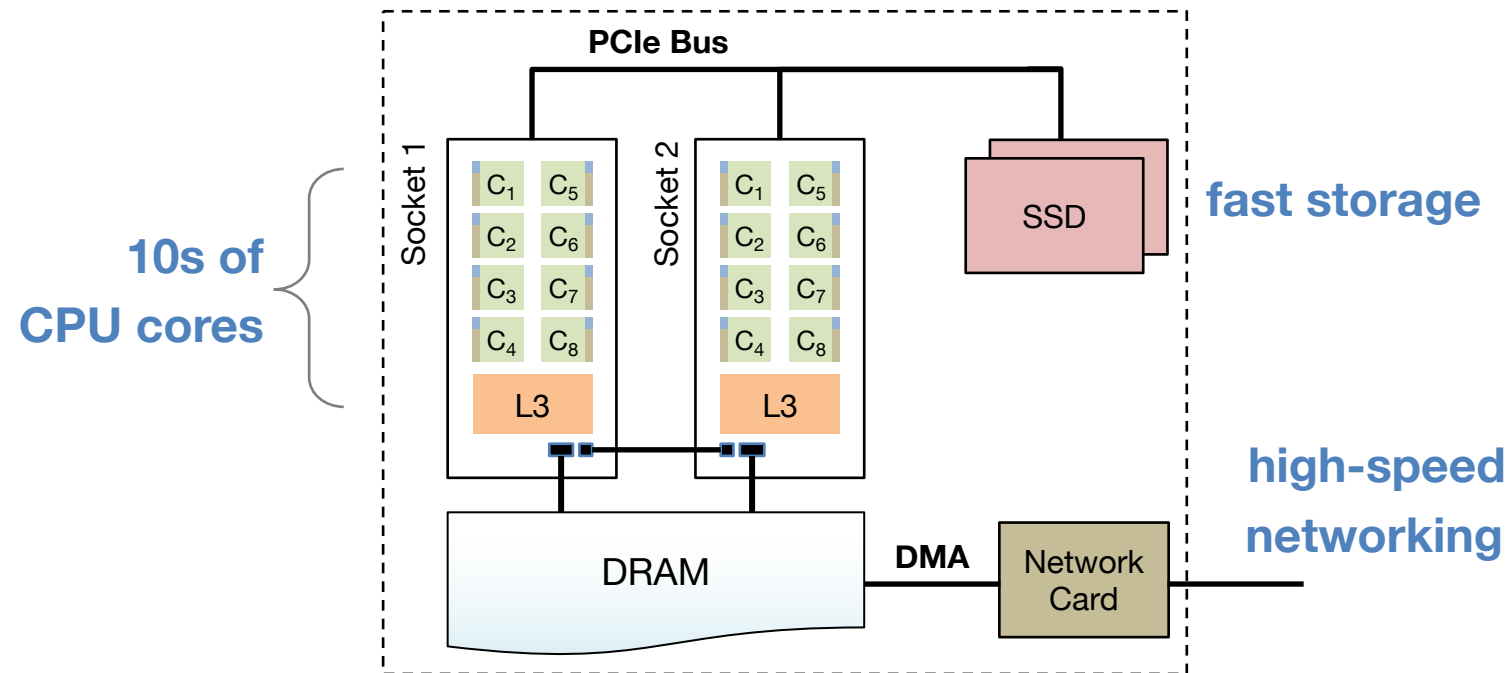
## Cons

- > Cross-process and network overheads
- > Unpredictable latency guarantees
- > Inefficient execution strategies

# COST of Distributed Execution

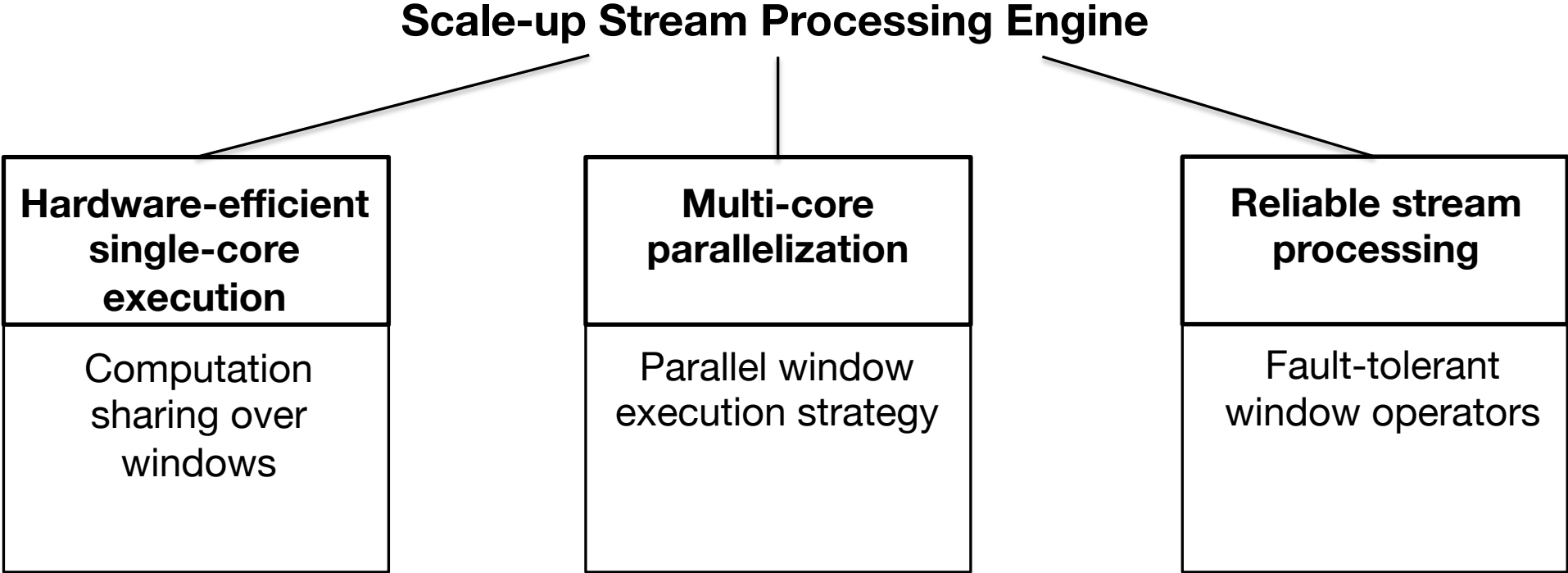


# Highly-Parallel Scale-up Architectures in Data Centers

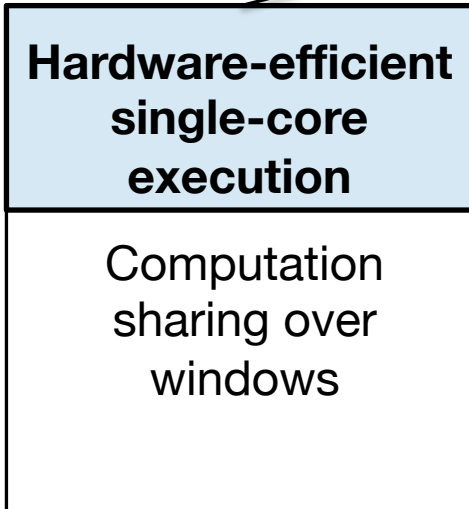


➤ Are scale-up systems a practical alternative for scalability and fault tolerance?

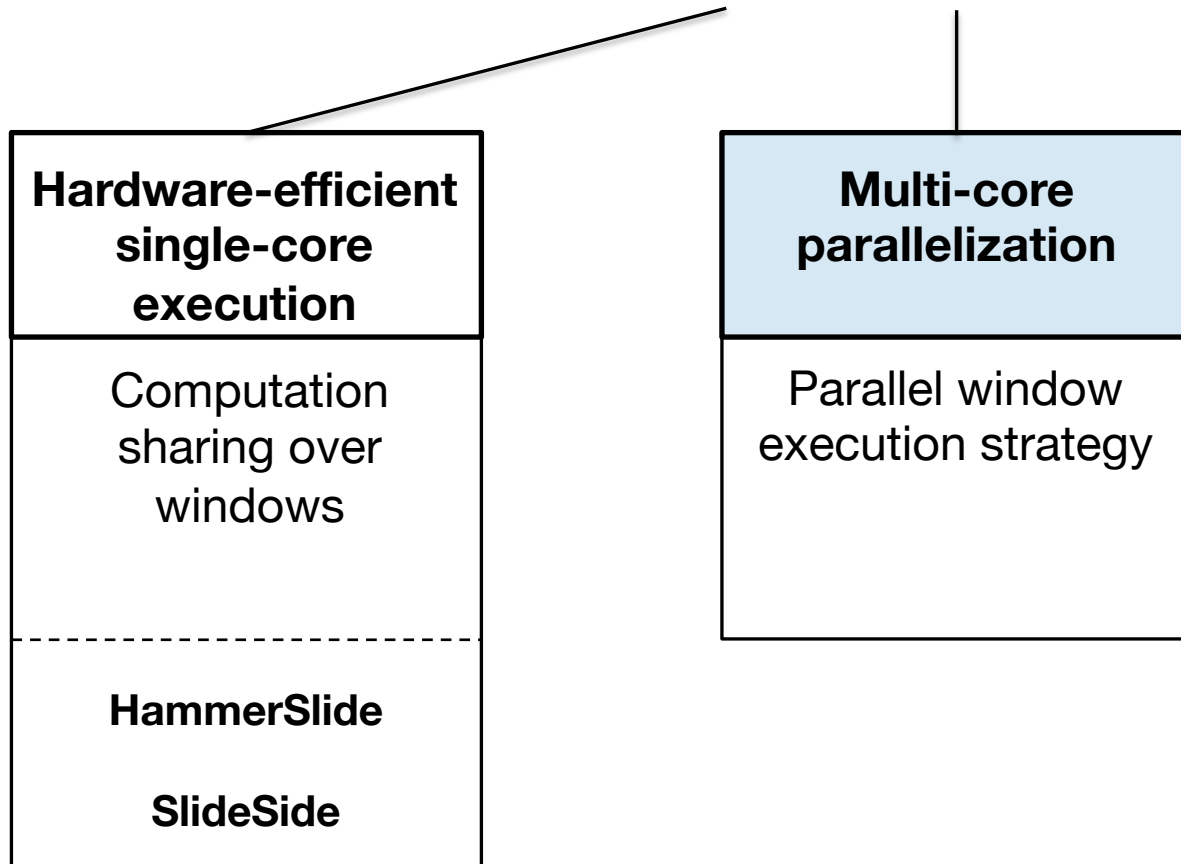
# High-Performance Streaming and Fault-Tolerance is Hard



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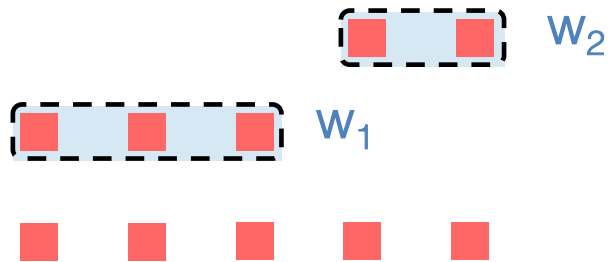
# Scaling Window Operators on Multi-Core Processors



# Tension Between Parallelism & Incremental Computation

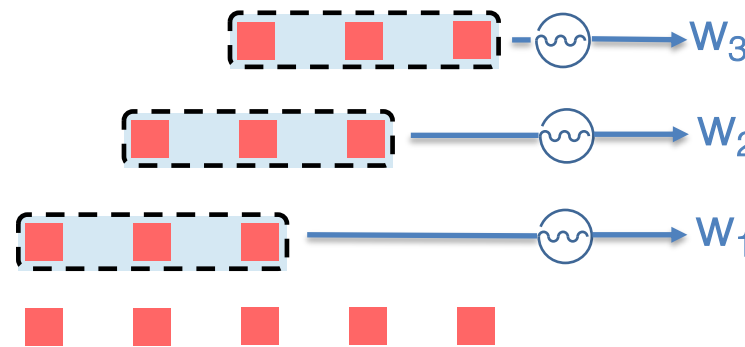
## Tumbling Windows

Nothing to optimize



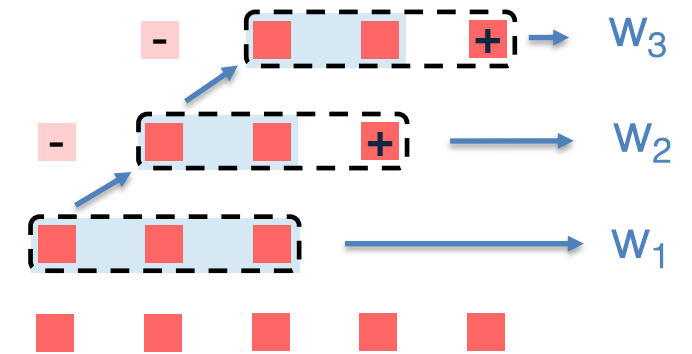
## Sliding Windows

Parallel Execution



+ Parallel  
- Work Efficient

Incremental Execution



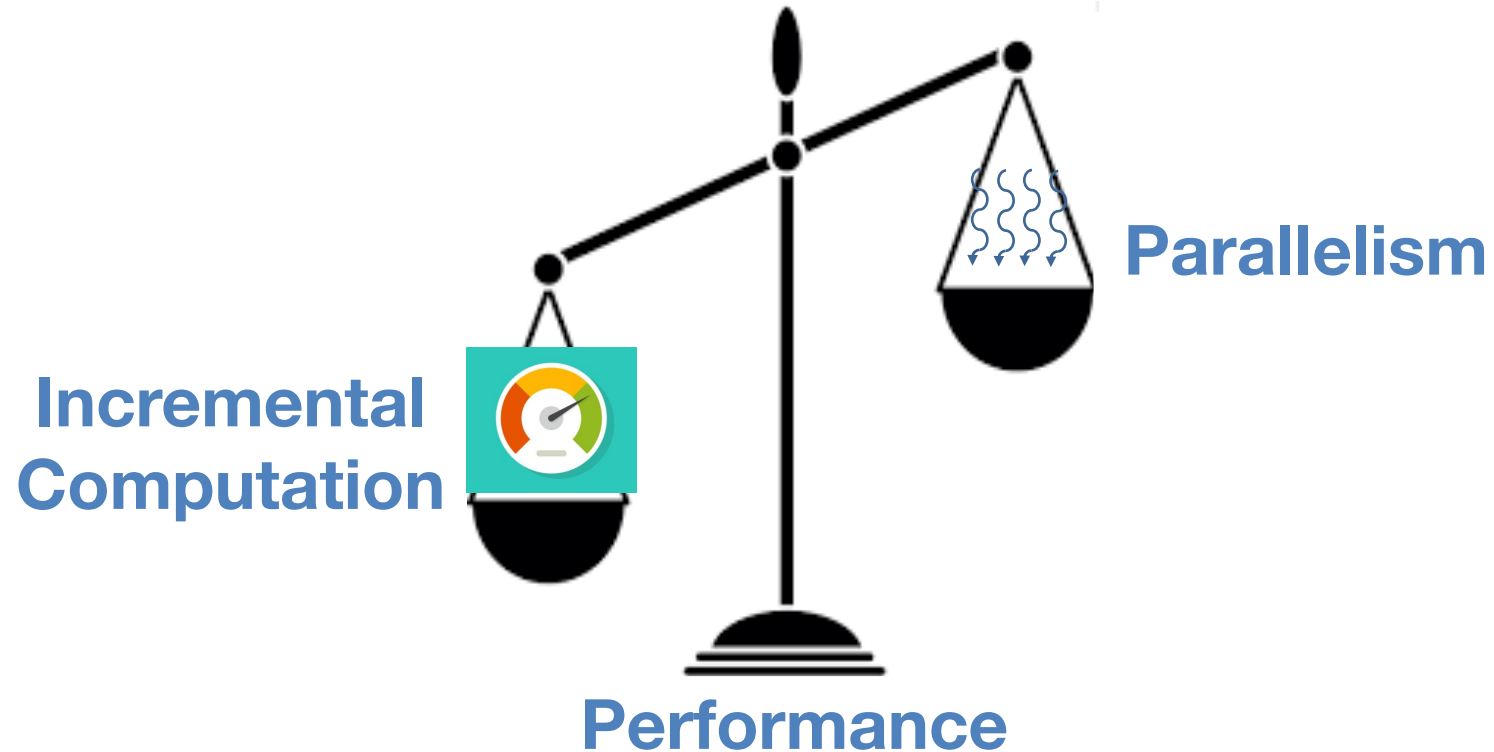
- Sequential  
+ Work Efficient

# Existing System Implement Ad-Hoc Solutions

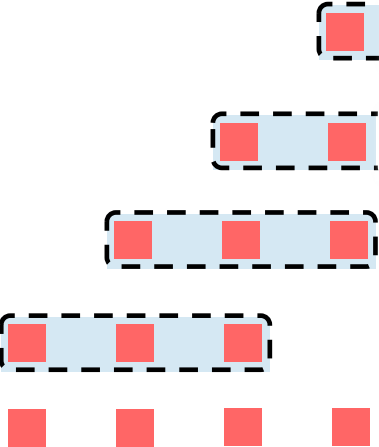


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## Conflicting Objectives



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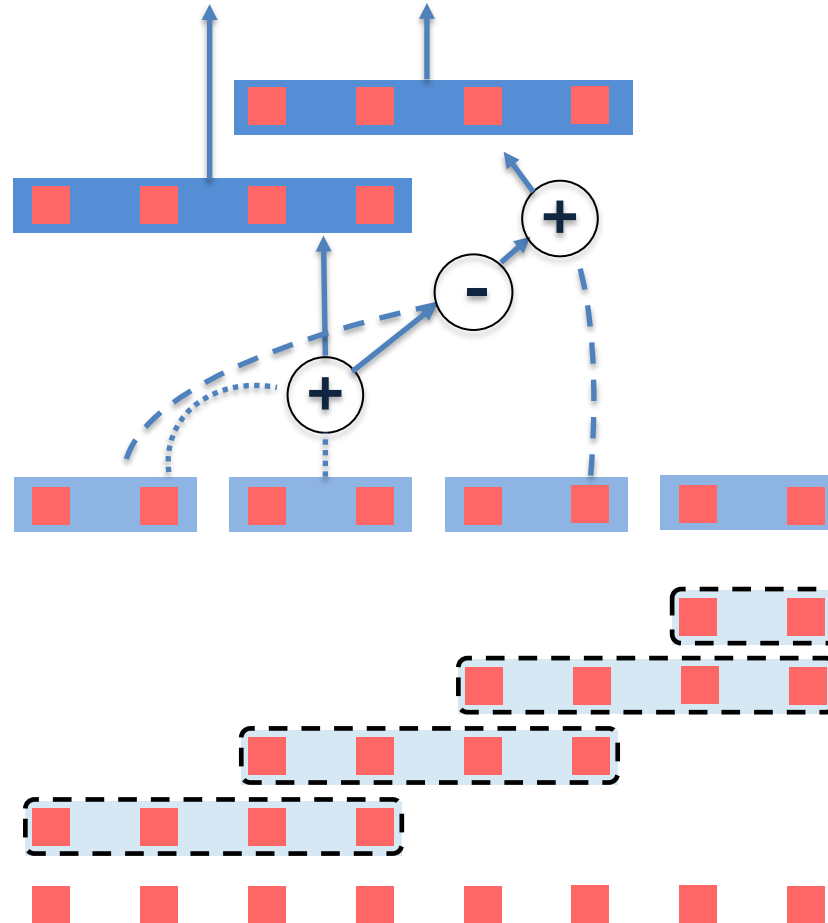


# Two Sides of the Same Coin

## Partial Aggregates

Sashes

Panes



Incremental Computation

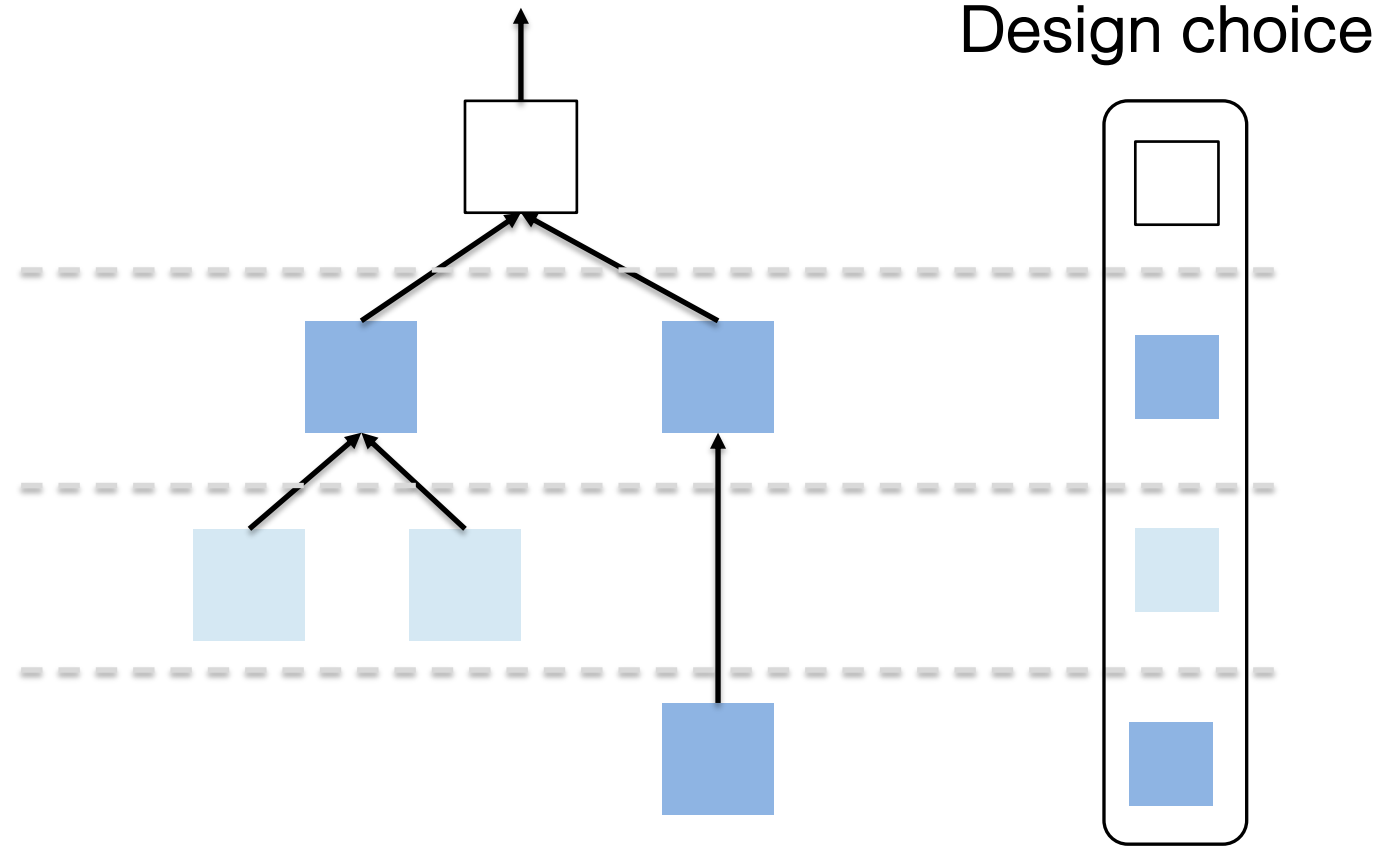
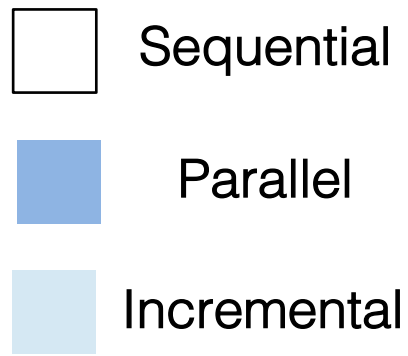
Data-dependent computation

No data dependencies

Parallel Computation

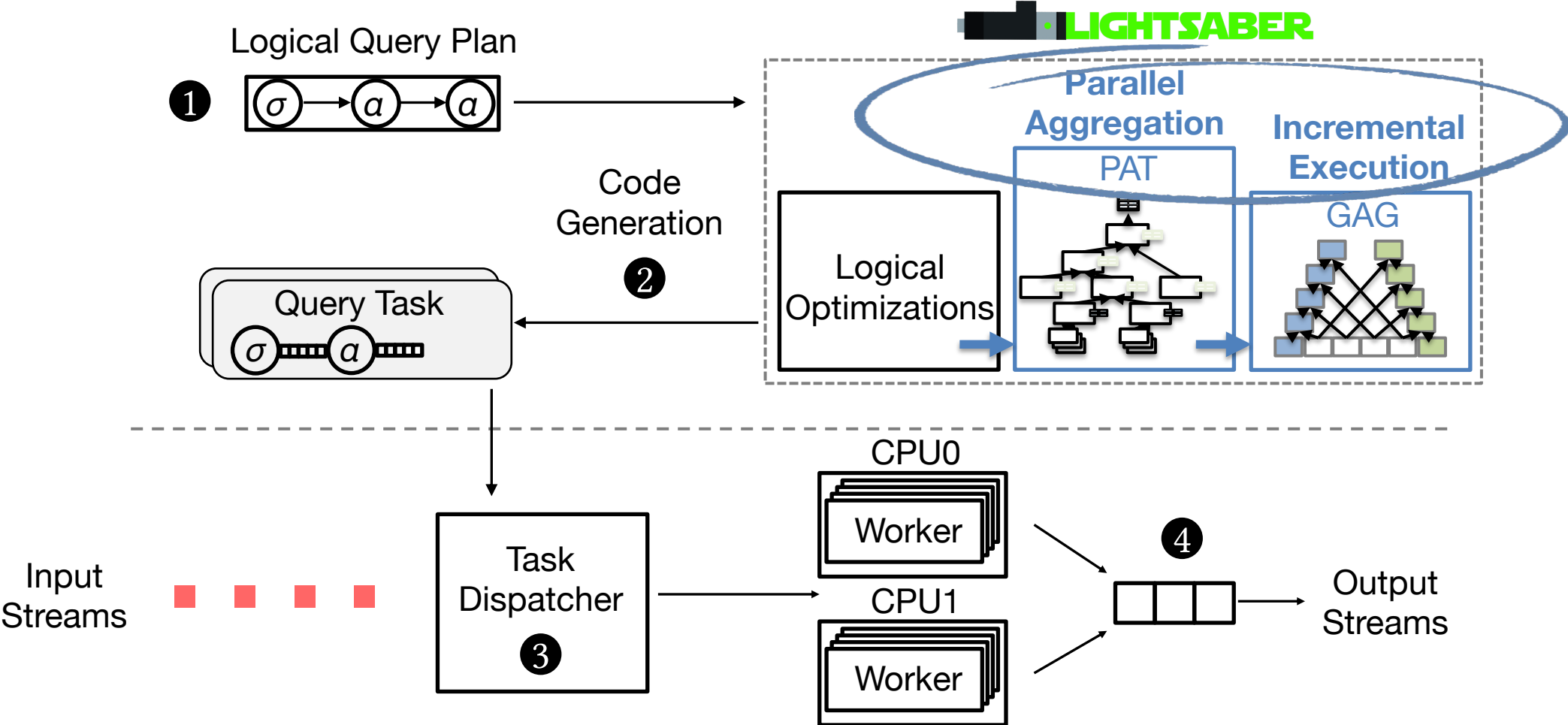
➡ How to partition streams into intermediate steps?

# Create a Model That Splits Aggregation Into Steps

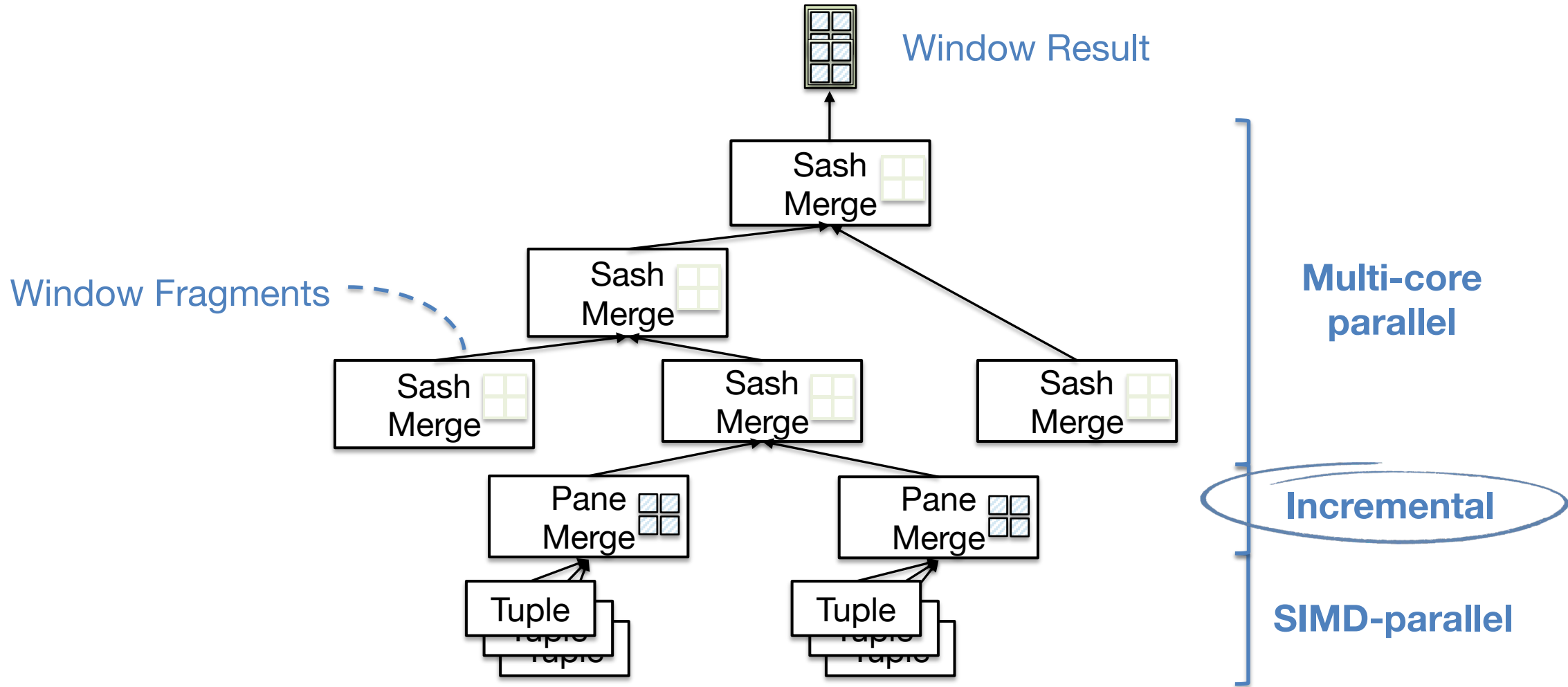




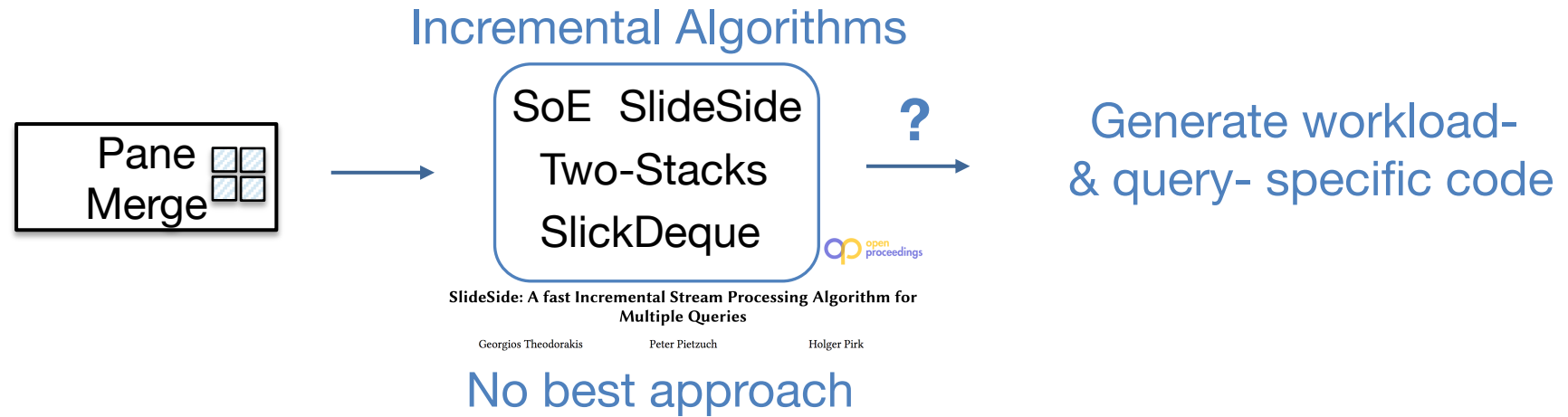
# LightSaber: Combine Parallelism With Incremental Execution



# Parallel Aggregation Tree: Multi-level Window Aggregation

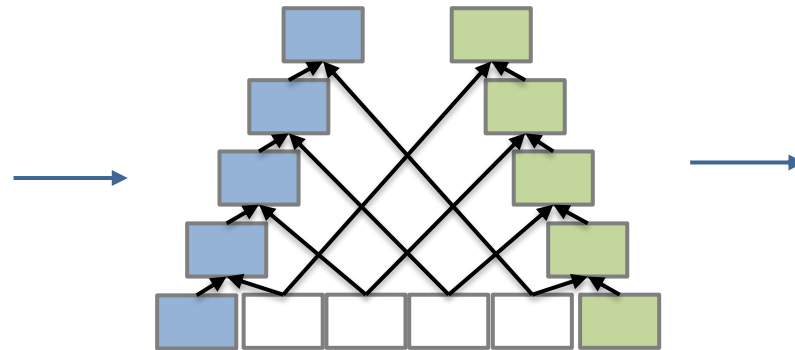


# How to Generate Efficient Code for Incremental Execution



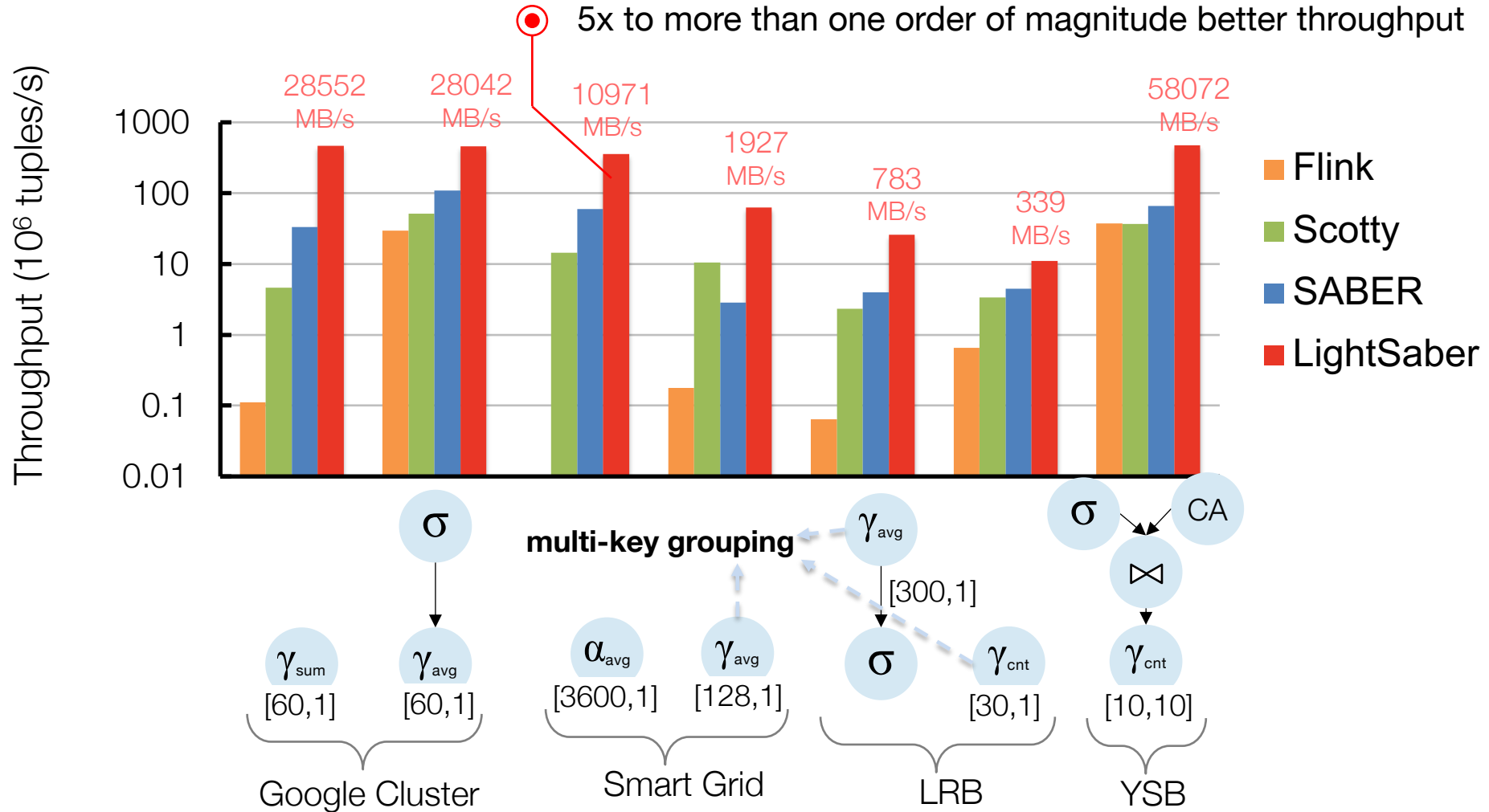
# General Aggregation Graph: Capture Low-Level Dependencies

- > Aggregation functions
- > Window Types

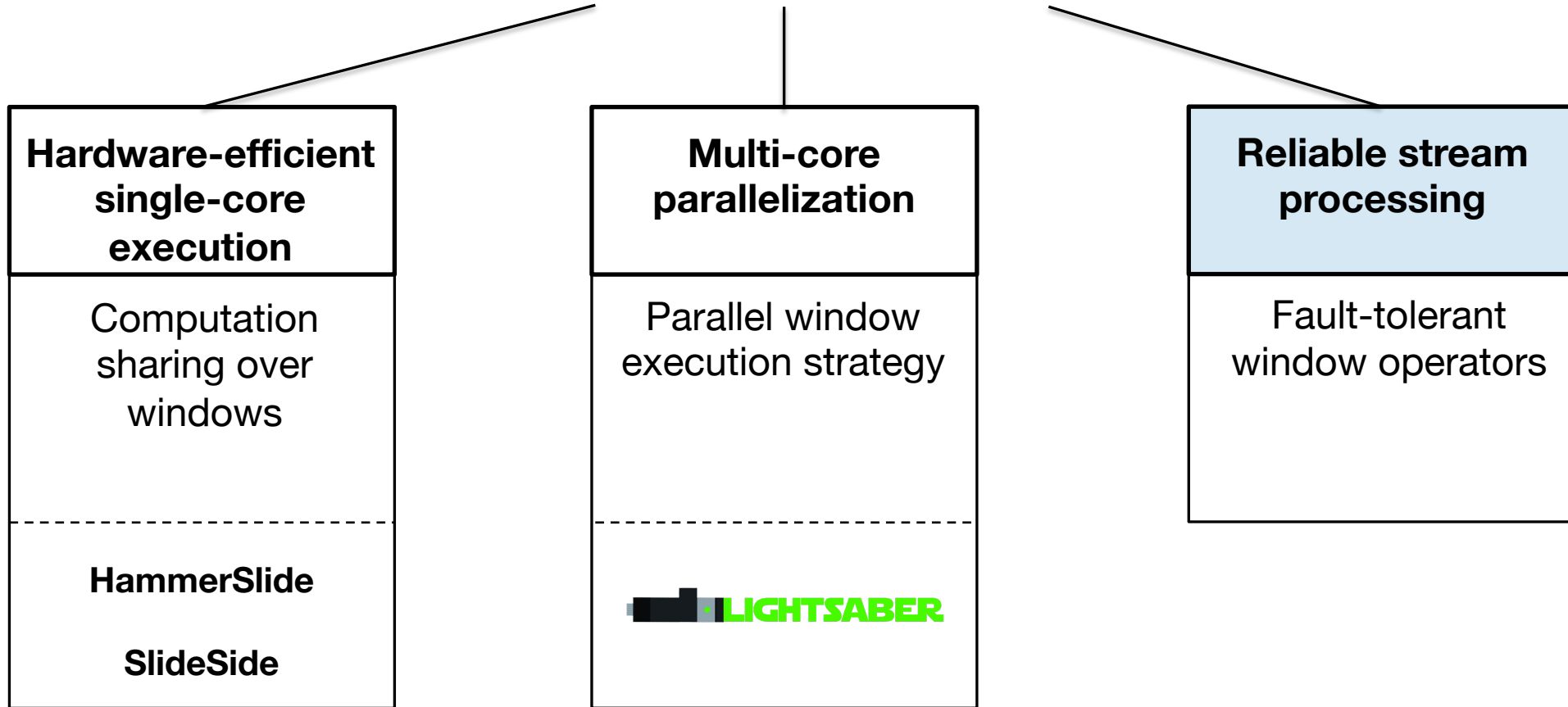


```
int leafIter = 0;
for (auto &t: input) {
    if (leafIter == WINDOW_SIZE) {
        for (int i = 0; i < WINDOW_SIZE; ++i)
            s[i+1] = min(ss[i],
                l[WINDOW_SIZE-1-i]);
        leafIter = 0; ps = INT_MAX;
    }
    ps = min(ps, t);
    emit_result(min(ps,
        ss[WINDOW_SIZE-leafIter]));
    leafIter++;
}
```

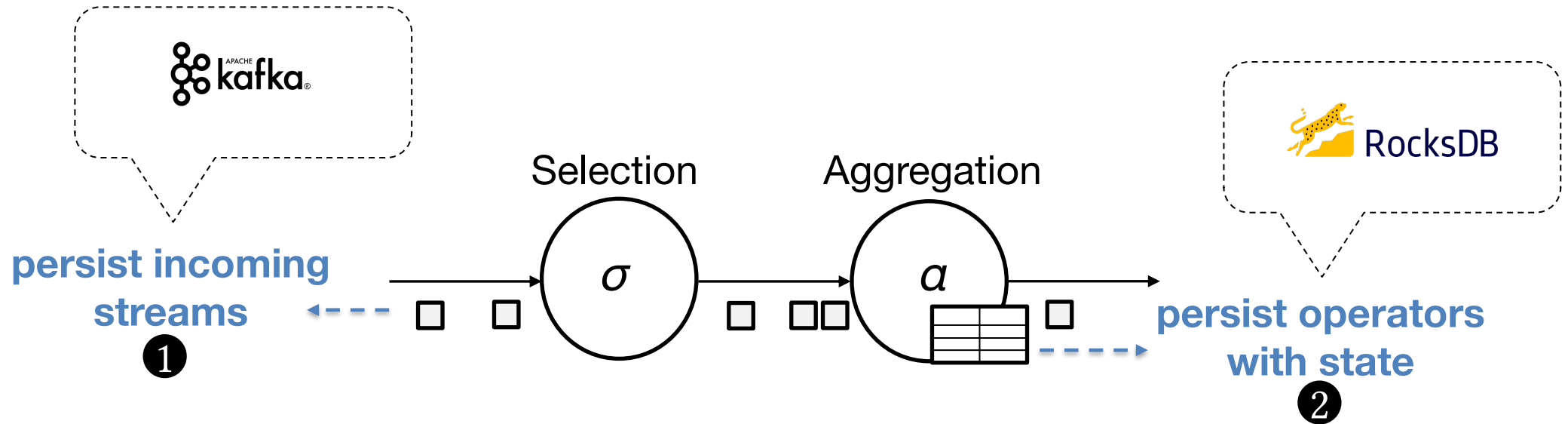
# Efficient Multi-core Execution



# Scale-up Stream Processing Engine

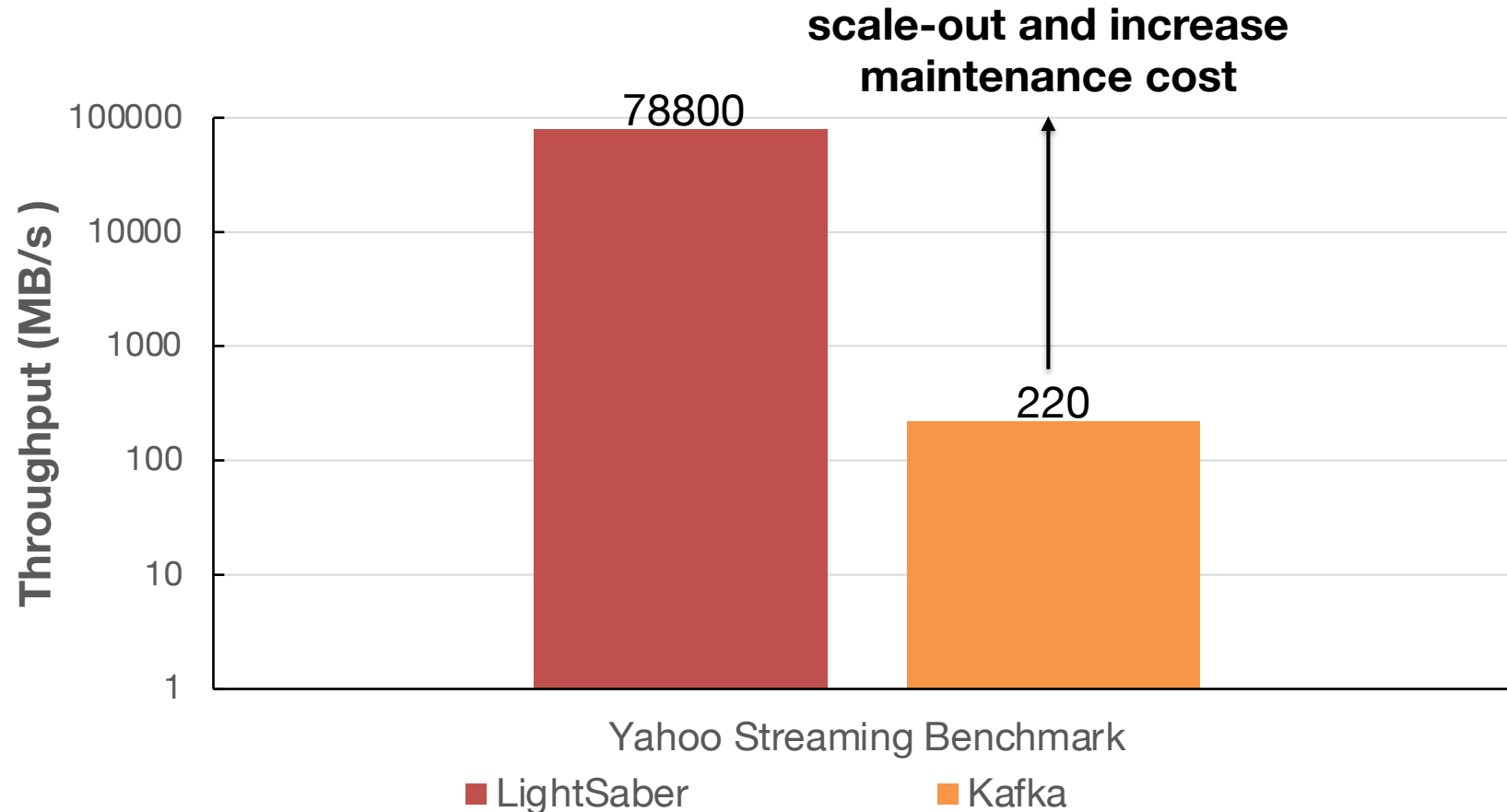


# Scale-up Engines Have Limited Adoption due to Lack of Built-in Fault-Tolerance



- > Fault-tolerance requires persisting data from queries
- > Persistence is offloaded to external systems

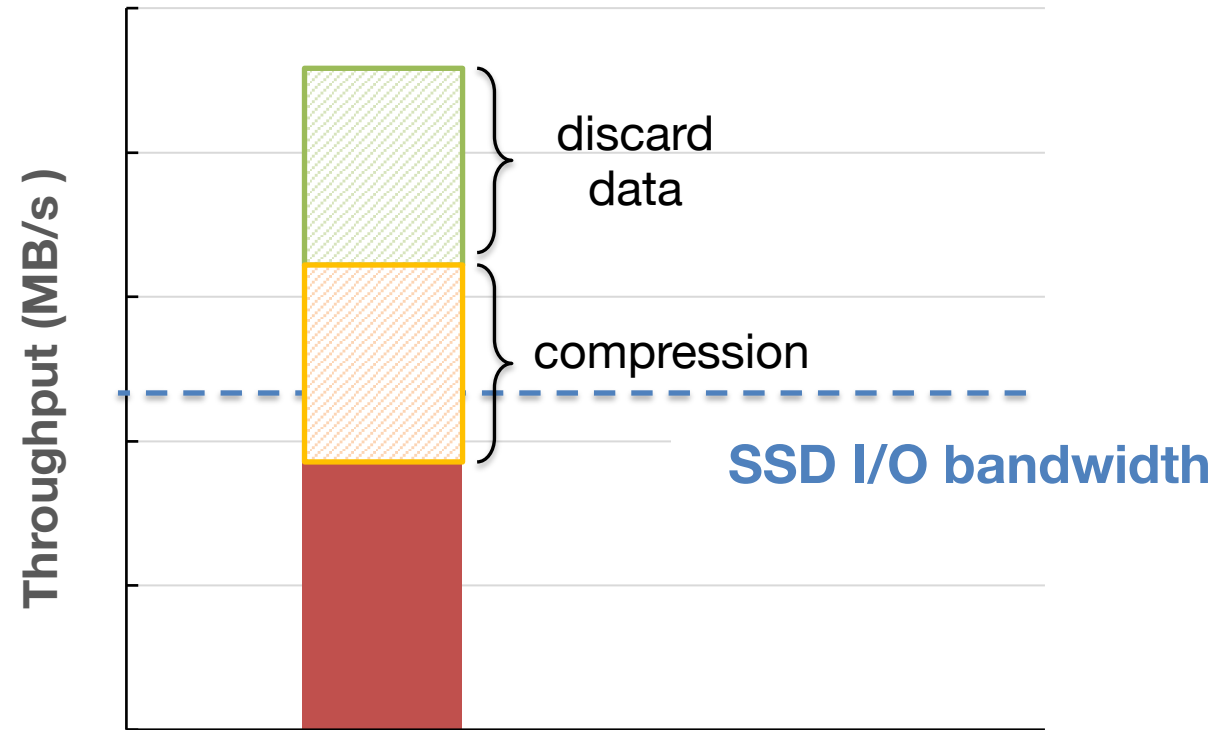
# Kafka Ingestion Trails Scale-up Performance



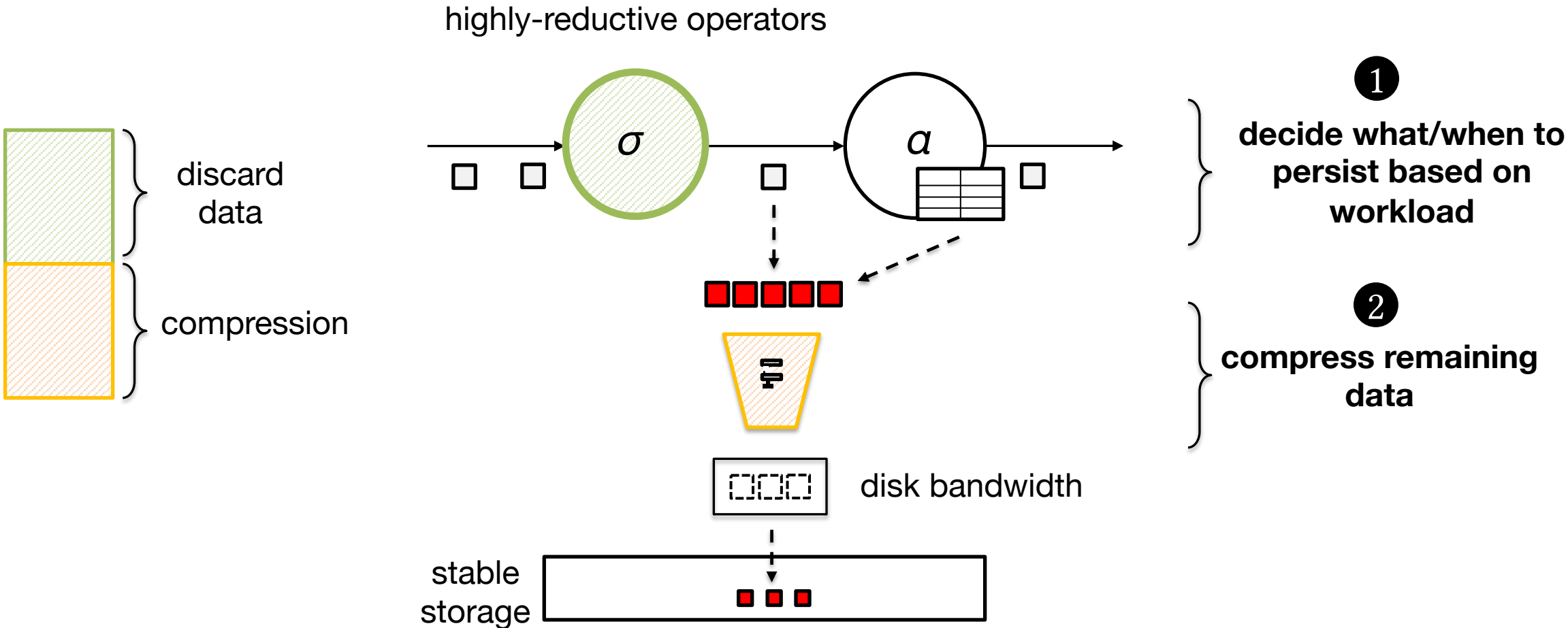
Single-node fault-tolerance without compromising performance!



# Key Idea: Reduce Required Disk I/O Bandwidth



# Scabbard: Reduce Required Disk I/O Bandwidth

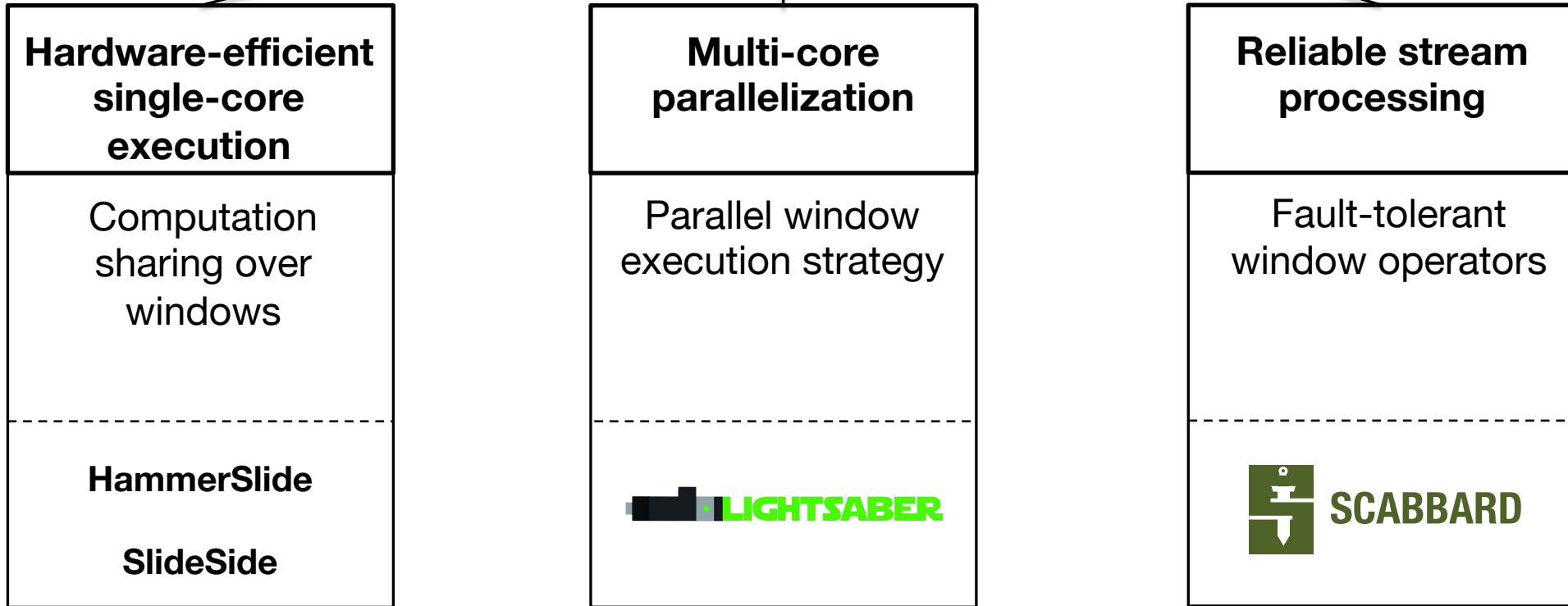


# Single-Node Fault-Tolerant Stream Processing



- > Co-optimize persistence and query execution
- > JIT compile compression operators at runtime
- > Use remote storage (e.g., EBS) and high-speed networking (RDMA)

# Scale-up Stream Processing Engine



# Summary

Single-node SPEs provide a practical alternative for **scalable** and **reliable** stream processing!



<https://github.com/llds/LightSaber>



**Thank you!**  
**Questions?**

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