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MySQL Performance: Demystified Tuning & Best Practices

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- Yes, it's me :-)
- Hello from Paris! ;-)
- Passionated by Systems and Databases Performance
- Previous 15 years @Sun Benchmark Center
- Started working on MySQL Performance since v3.23
- But during all that time just for “fun” only ;-)
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- Overview of MySQL Performance
- Performance improvements in MySQL 5.7 & Benchmark results
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- Q & A
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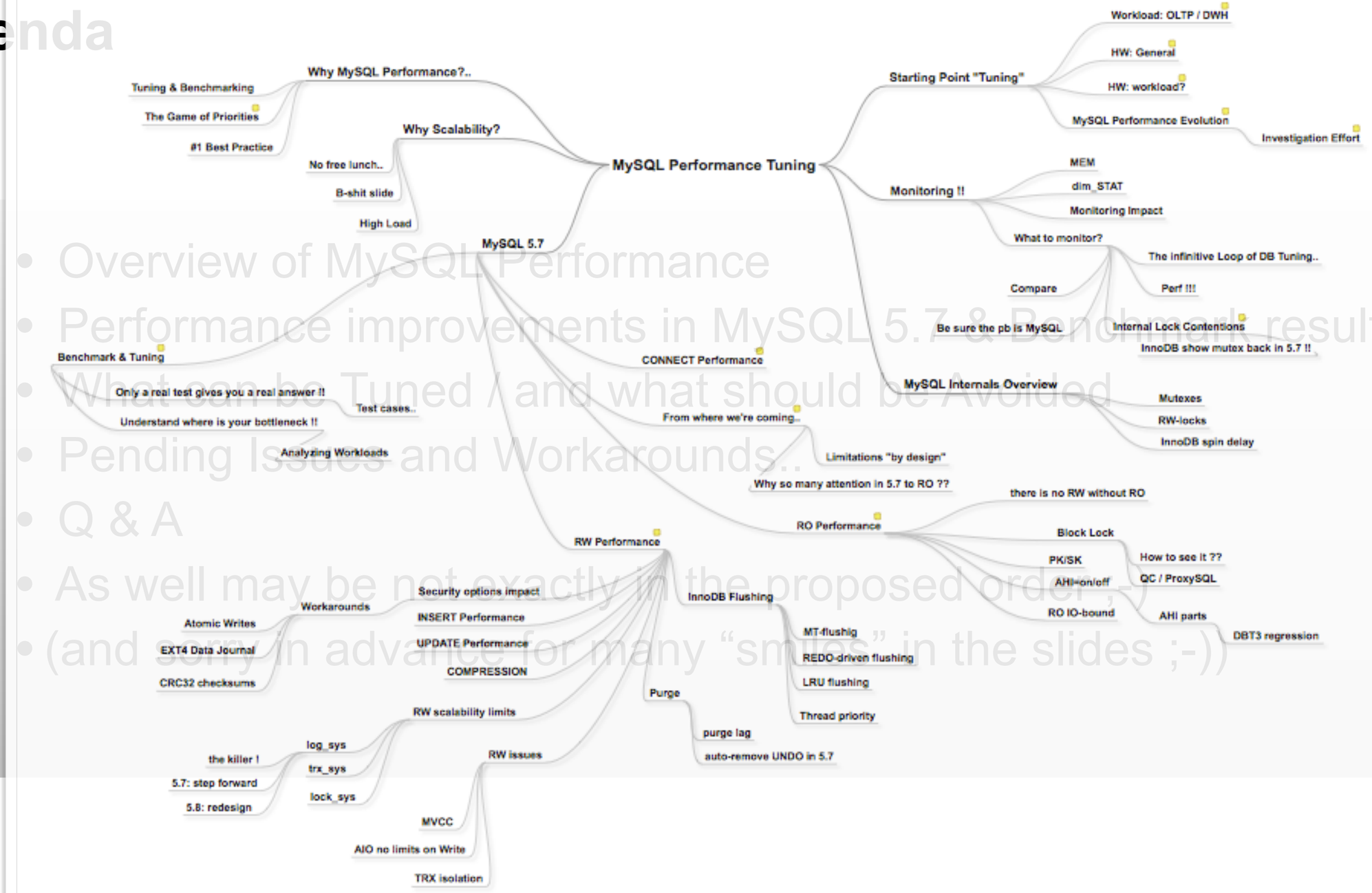

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Tuning & Benchmarking…

- there is no Tuning without Benchmarking ;-)
  - you have to validate somehow your tuning, right ?
- as there is no Benchmarking without Tuning ;-)
  - it’s not a good idea to check various tuning on production systems, right ?

Why Benchmarking MySQL ?...

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- Any solution may look “good enough”...

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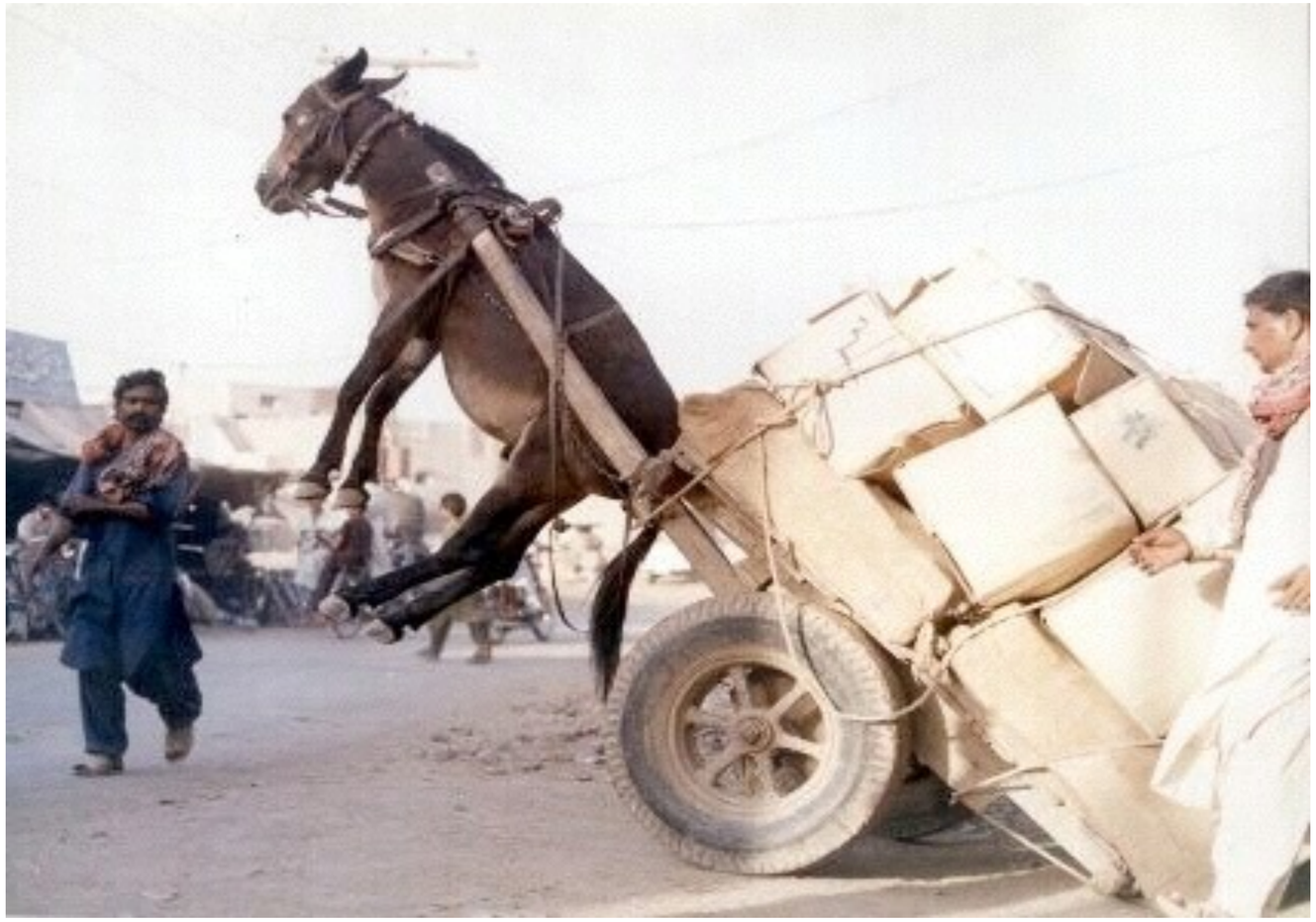
- Until it did not reach its limit..



Why benchmarking MySQL?..

- And even improved solution may not resist to increasing load..

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- And reach a similar limit..

Why benchmarking MySQL?..

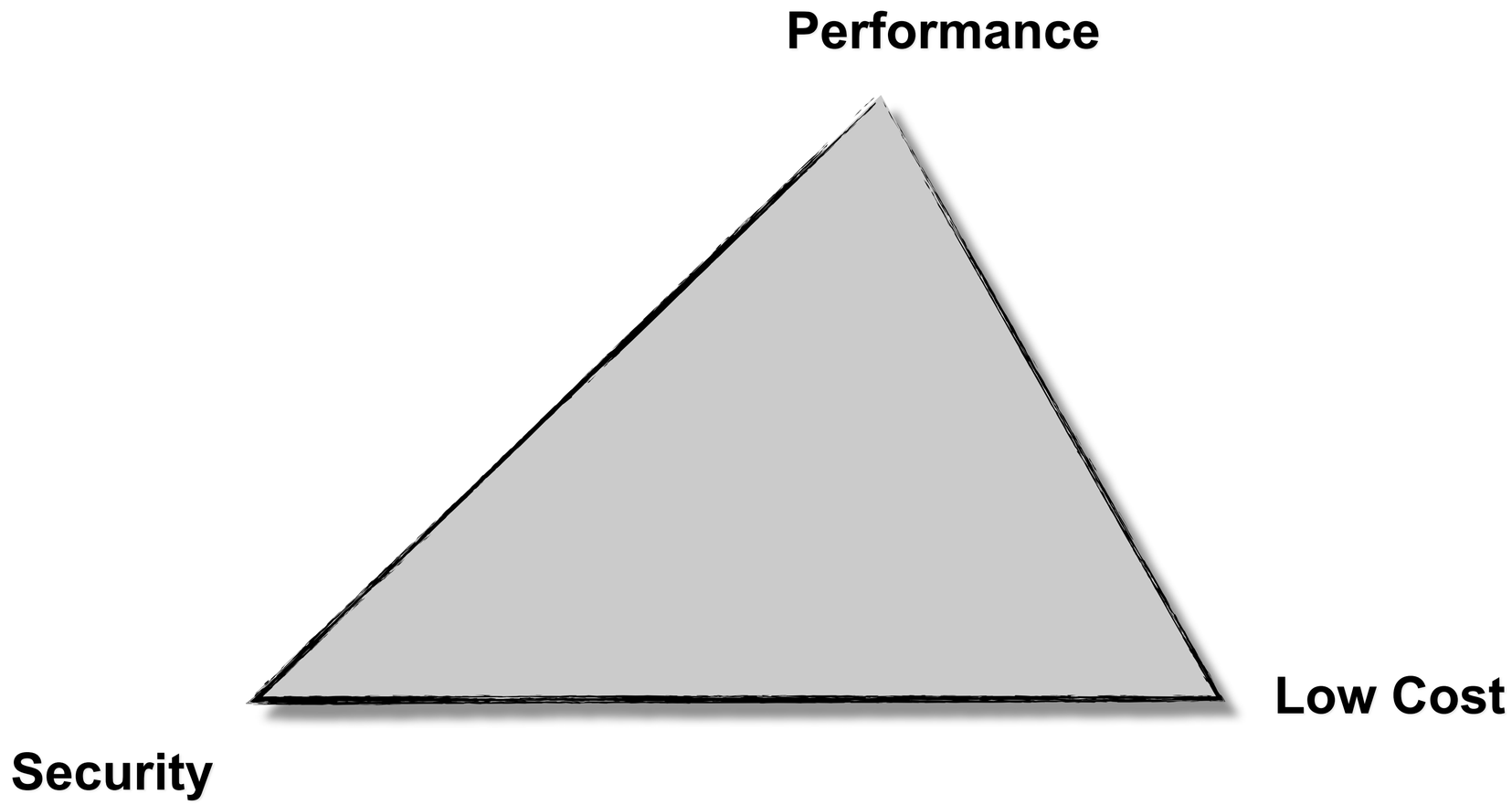
- A good benchmark testing may help you to understand ahead the resistance of your solution to incoming potential problems ;-)

Why benchmarking MySQL?..

- But keep it in mind:
  - Even a very powerful solution but leaved in wrong hands may still be easily broken!... :-)

The Game of priorities & compromises...

- You'll always have a sacrifice of one from these 3 :



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The following materials are about…

- Single MySQL Instance Performance Tuning & Scalability
  - single HW host
  - no replication
  - just to understand how far your single MySQL Server instance may scale..
  - what are the limits
  - what to care about ahead
  - what can be tuned
  - which workaround to use
  - which situations are absolutely to avoid..

Why Scalability ?..

- CPU Speed : no more "free lunches" ;-)
  - will x2 times faster CPU increase your performance by x2 ?..
- CPU cores : more and more over year-to-year..
  - Intel 2CPU : 8cores-HT
  - Intel 2CPU : 12cores-HT
  - Intel 2CPU : 16cores-HT
  - Intel 2CPU : 20cores-HT
  - Intel 2CPU : 36cores-HT (2015)
  - …
  - 2015: 4cores ==> “commodity HW” for a SmartWatch ;-)
- Scalability In Few Words :
  - your software is able to deliver a **higher** throughput if more HW resources are available..
  - (then, scaling it well or not is another story ;-))

A B-shit Slide…

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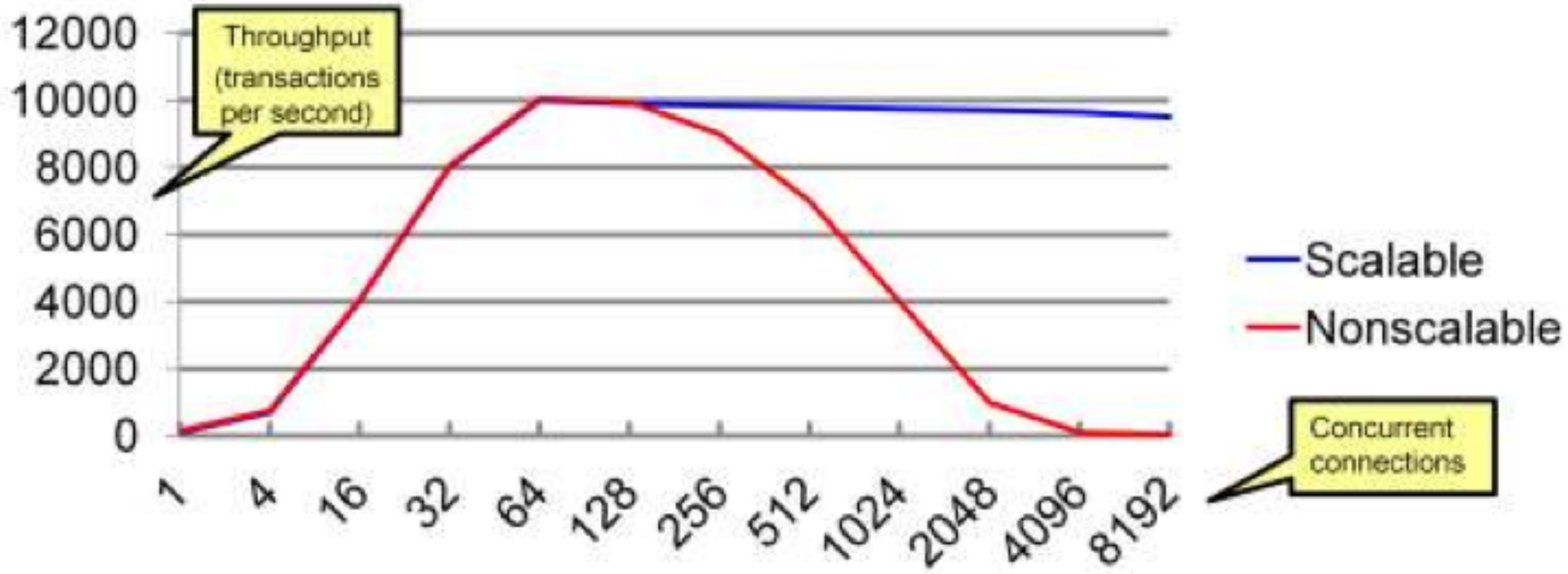

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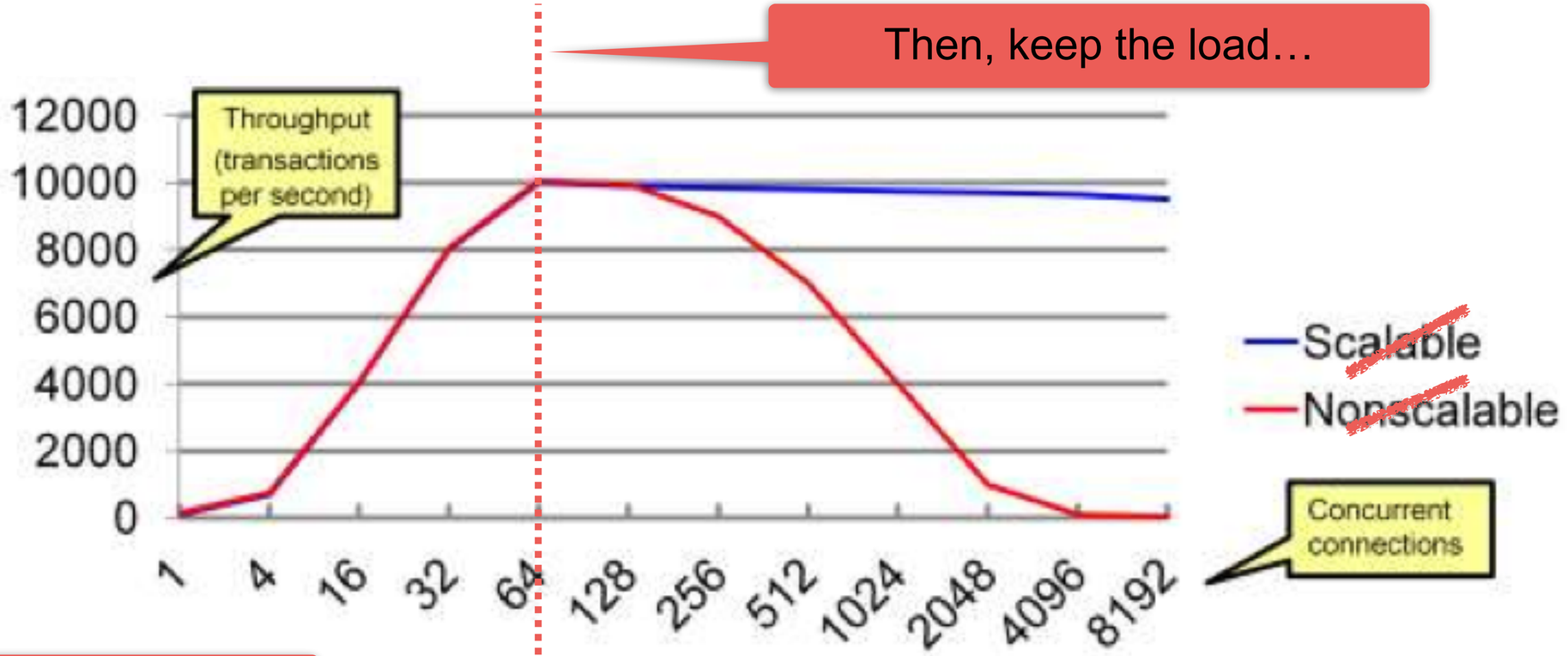
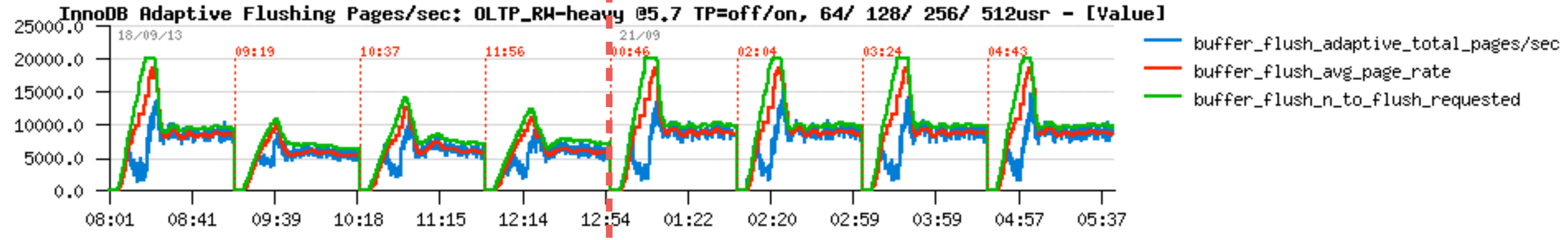


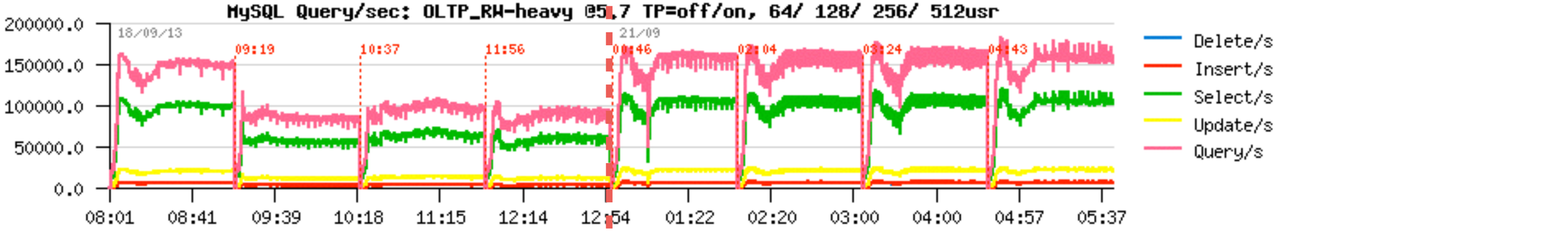
Both are scaling up to 64 connections,
but only one is able to keep a higher load..

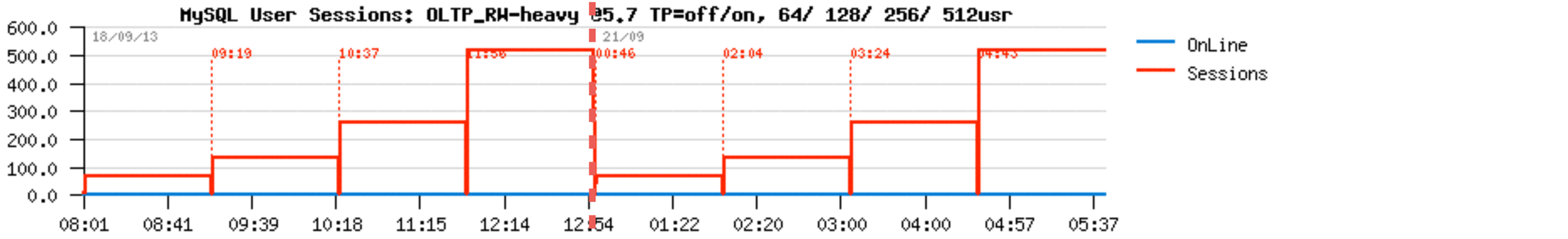
MySQL on High Load

- Once you've reached your Max TPS on your system :
  - try to understand first what is limiting you? (I/O, CPU, Network, MySQL internals?)
  - the next goal then: to avoid a TPS "regression" on a higher load
- How to keep your Max TPS on a higher load too?
  - the dumb rule : avoid to have a higher load! ;-)
  - seriously :
    - usually all you need is to find a way to do not let you workload concurrency out-pass the levels your reaching on the TPS Max, that's all..
    - InnoDB thread concurrency helps here (yet more improved in MySQL 5.7)
    - InnoDB spin wait delay tuning helps to lower mutexes / rw-locks waits impact
    - ThreadPool
  - **NOTE : there is no "magic" for response time :**
    - if your Max TPS you're reaching on N users
    - and able to keep the same Max TPS on N x2 users (or x3, x4, etc.)
    - your response time may only grow! (and be x2 times bigger (or x3, or x4, etc.))

Thread Pool in old MySQL 5.7 @Heavy OLTP_RW







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MySQL & CPU Usage

- CPU chips progress:
  - CPU = 1 CPU (1 vcpu)
  - CPU = N cores (N vcpu)
  - CPU = N cores, M core threads (NxP vcpu)
  - …
- How many **really** parallel tasks your CPU is able to execute??
  - as many as how many vcpu are **really** able to run in parallel!
  - **for ex. you have 32cores-HT :**
    - only 32 concurrent MySQL threads may be executed on the same time
    - is HT helping? - **yes**
    - is HT makes 32cores be equal to 64cores? - **no**
    - if my system is reporting to have CPU 50% busy on my MySQL workload, does it mean I have a 50% marge in CPU usage? — **NO!..** ;-)
    - my workload is pure CPU bound, I'm reaching N TPS on 64 users and I'm claiming I'm getting x5 higher (Nx5) TPS on 512 users! — well, you're lying somewhere ;-))

Starting point : “Tuning” by expected activity

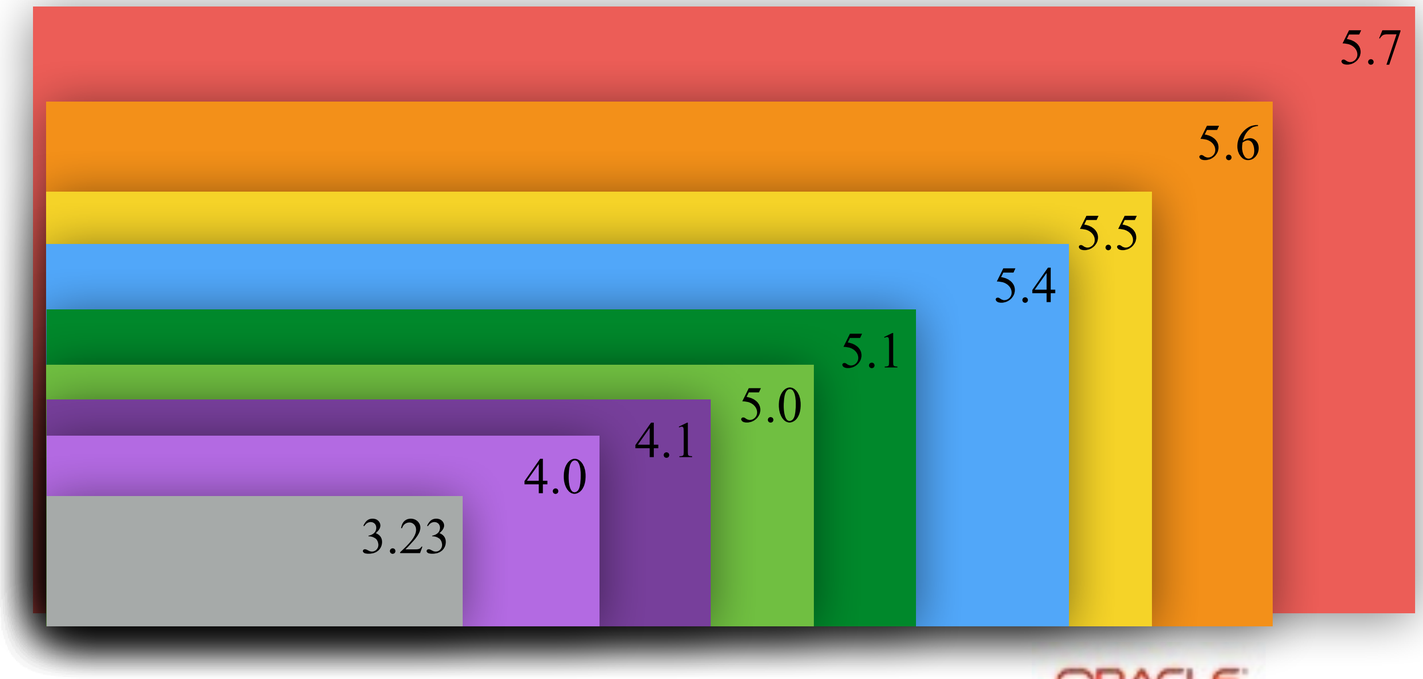
- Workload expectations :
  - OLTP : ok
  - DWH : not an easy life ;-) no parallelization, optimizer tips, mixed solutions, etc..
- HW according expected load :
  - low load : small box, few but fast CPU(s)
  - high load : big box, many CPU(s) vs faster CPU(s)
  - storage : always important when you do IO
    - extremely important when you do **random IO reads** !!!
  - RAM : more you have => better you are doing ;-)
    - cache, sort, heap, purge, etc..
    - however, be sure you’re using it (don’t waste ;-))
  - network: lower possible latency
- (think about priority & compromise slide)

Starting point : “Tuning” OS/FS related choices

- Linux :
  - LD_PRELOAD MT-oriented malloc: jemalloc, tcmalloc, etc.
  - right IO scheduler (not cfq)
  - right FS/ mount options/ AIO/ O_DIRECT/ etc..
    - nobarriers,noatime,nodirtime,…
- Solaris :
  - LD_PRELOAD MT-oriented malloc: mtmalloc, umem
  - UFS/forcedirectio
  - ZFS
- ZFS Appliance

MySQL Performance Evolution

- From version-to-version :
  - 3.23 => 4.0 => 4.1 => 5.0 => 5.1 => 5.4 => 5.5 => 5.6 => 5.7 …
  - More features => longer code path.. (just google: “What is new in MySQL 5.7”)
  - MySQL/InnoDB code is very sensible to CPU cache(s)..
  - Going slower :
    - single-user..
    - low-load..
    - small-HW..
  - Going faster :
    - where scalability was improved
    - higher-load..
    - newer/bigger-HW..



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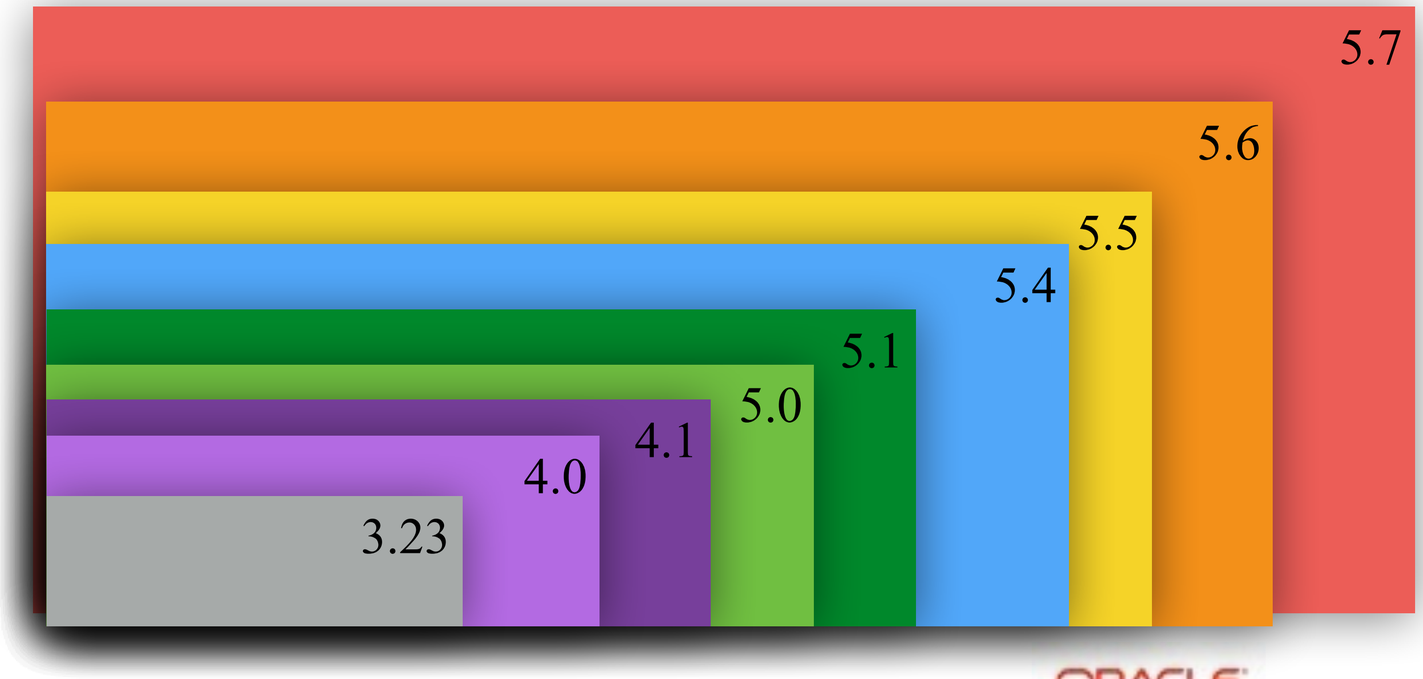
- Less featured MySQL ?
  - Drizzle !
  - do you know Drizzle ?
  - do you use Drizzle ?
  - do you run your production on ?



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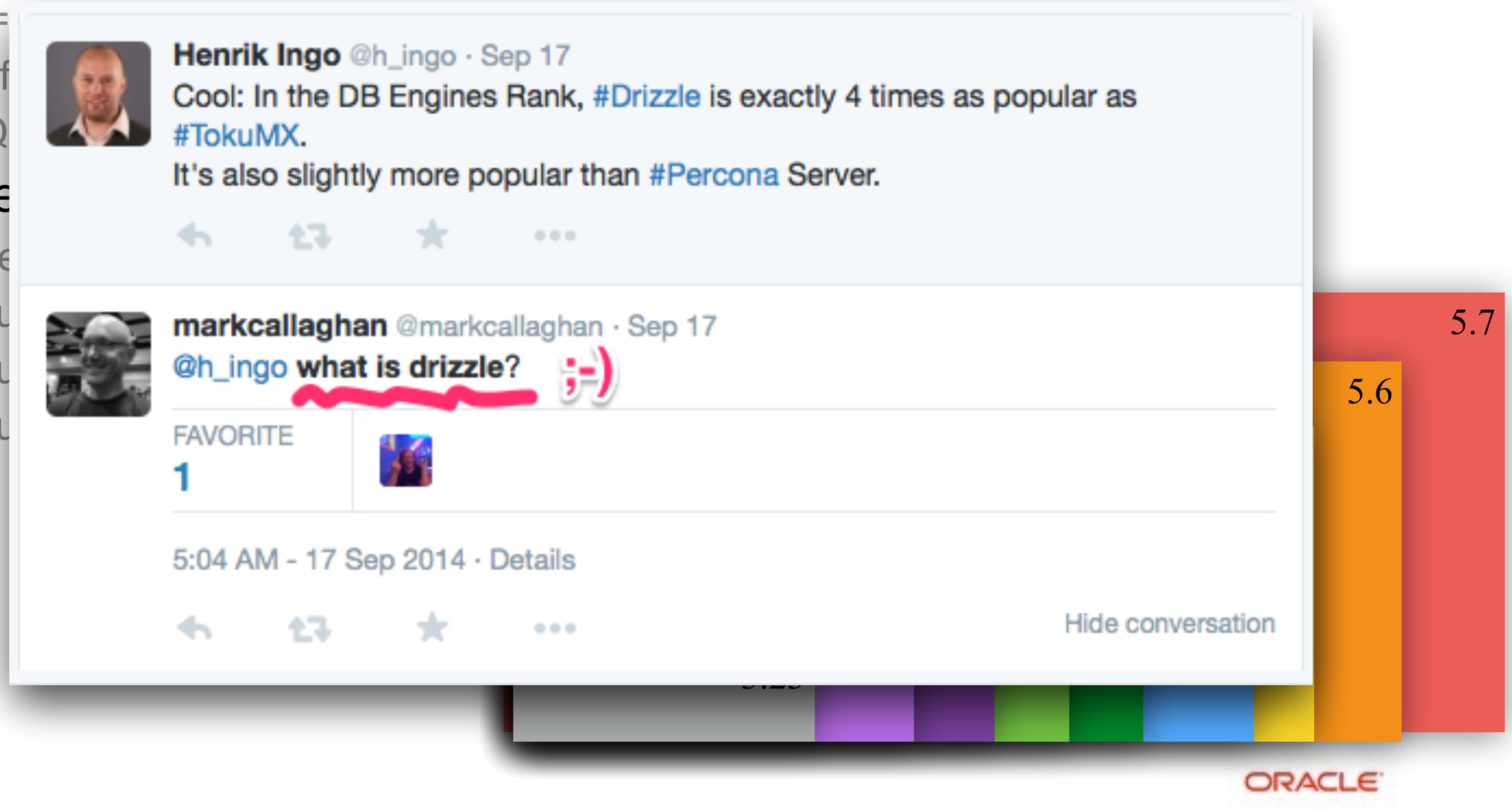


Performance Investigation Efforts (relative)

- report a problem..
- point on the source of the problem..
- suggest what should be fixed..
- suggest how it should be fixed…
- implement the final fix…

Benchmarking & Tuning…

- depending on the MySQL version :
  - some things you “may tune”
  - some things you “may just accept” ;-)
  - (e.g. you need 5.6 to have binlog group commit, etc.)
- so, you need to have a clear idea about :
  - which situation you can always solve by tuning, so no worry..
  - which situation you may only avoid, so have to consider and take care about..
  - which situation was fixed or can be tuned in a newer MySQL version
  - don’t create artificial limitations yourself (e.g. if 32GB REDO is allowed - use it!)
  - be sure what is really important for you!
- general advice : validate & move to MySQL 5.7 asap ;-)

Only a real test gives you a real answer...

- Avoid to tweak on production systems ;-)
  - Rather try to reproduce your load on a similar, but dedicated to test server
  - Collect test cases for all the most critical parts..
- Want to simulate your production workload?..
  - Then just simulate it! (many SW available, not always OSS/free)
  - Hard to simulate? - adapt some generic tests
- Want to know capacity limits of a given platform?
  - Still try to focus on the test which are most significant for you!
- Want just to validate config settings impacts?
  - Focus on tests which are potentially depending on these settings
- Well, just **keep thinking** about what you're doing ;-)

Test Workload

- Before to jump into something complex...
  - Be sure first you're comfortable with “basic” operations!
  - Single table? Many tables?
  - Short queries? Long queries?
- Remember: any complex load in fact is just a mix of simple operations..
  - So, try to split problems..
  - Start from as simple as possible..
  - And then increase complexity progressively..
- NB : **any** test case is important !!!
  - Consider the case rather reject it with “I’m sure you’re doing something wrong..” ;-))

“Generic” Test Workloads @MySQL

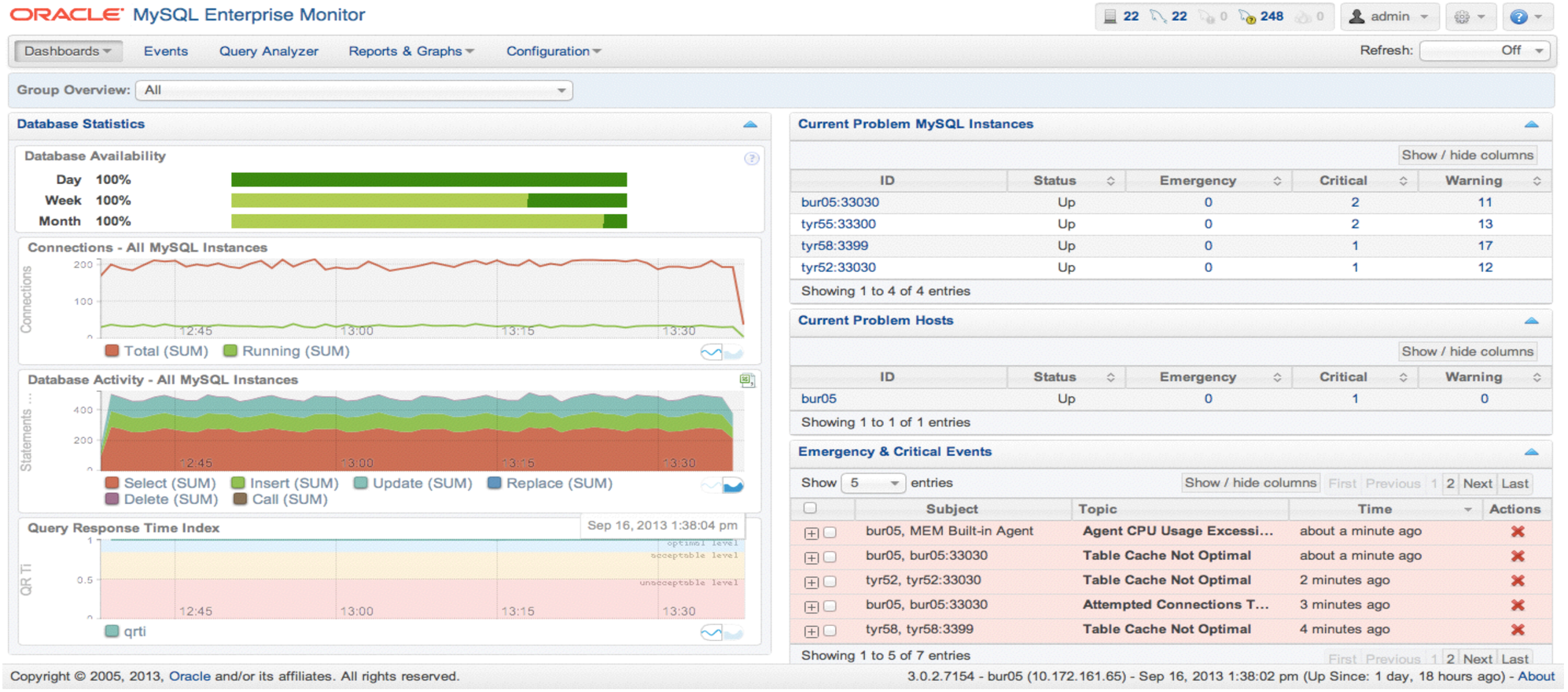
- Sysbench
  - OLTP, RO/RW, N-tables, lots test workload load options, deadlocks
- DBT2 / TPCC-like
  - OLTP, RW, very complex, growing db, no options, deadlocks
  - In fact using mostly only 2 tables! (thanks Performance Schema ;-))
- dbSTRESS
  - OLTP, RO/RW, several tables, one most hot, configurable, no deadlocks
- iiBench
  - pure INSERT (time series) + SELECT
- LinkBench (Facebook)
  - OLTP, RW, very intensive, IO-hungry..
- DBT3
  - DWH, RO, complex heavy query, loved by Optimizer Team ;-)

Monitoring is THE MUST !

even don’t start to do anything without monitoring.. ;-)

MySQL Enterprise Monitor

- Fantastic tool!
  - Did you already try it?.. Did you see it live?..



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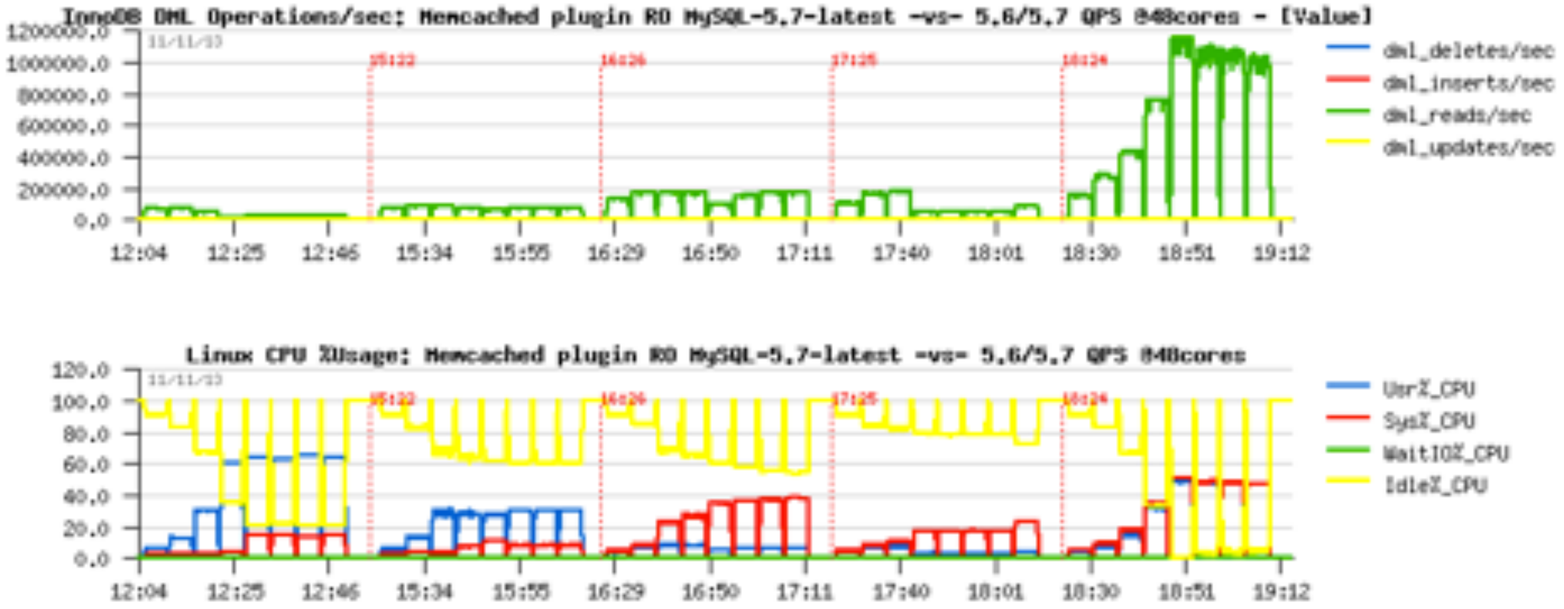
Other Monitoring Tools

- Cacti, Zabbix, Nagios, Solarwinds, etc…..
- *dim_STAT*
  - well, I'm using this one, sorry ;-)
  - all graphs within presentation were made with it
  - details are in the end of presentation..

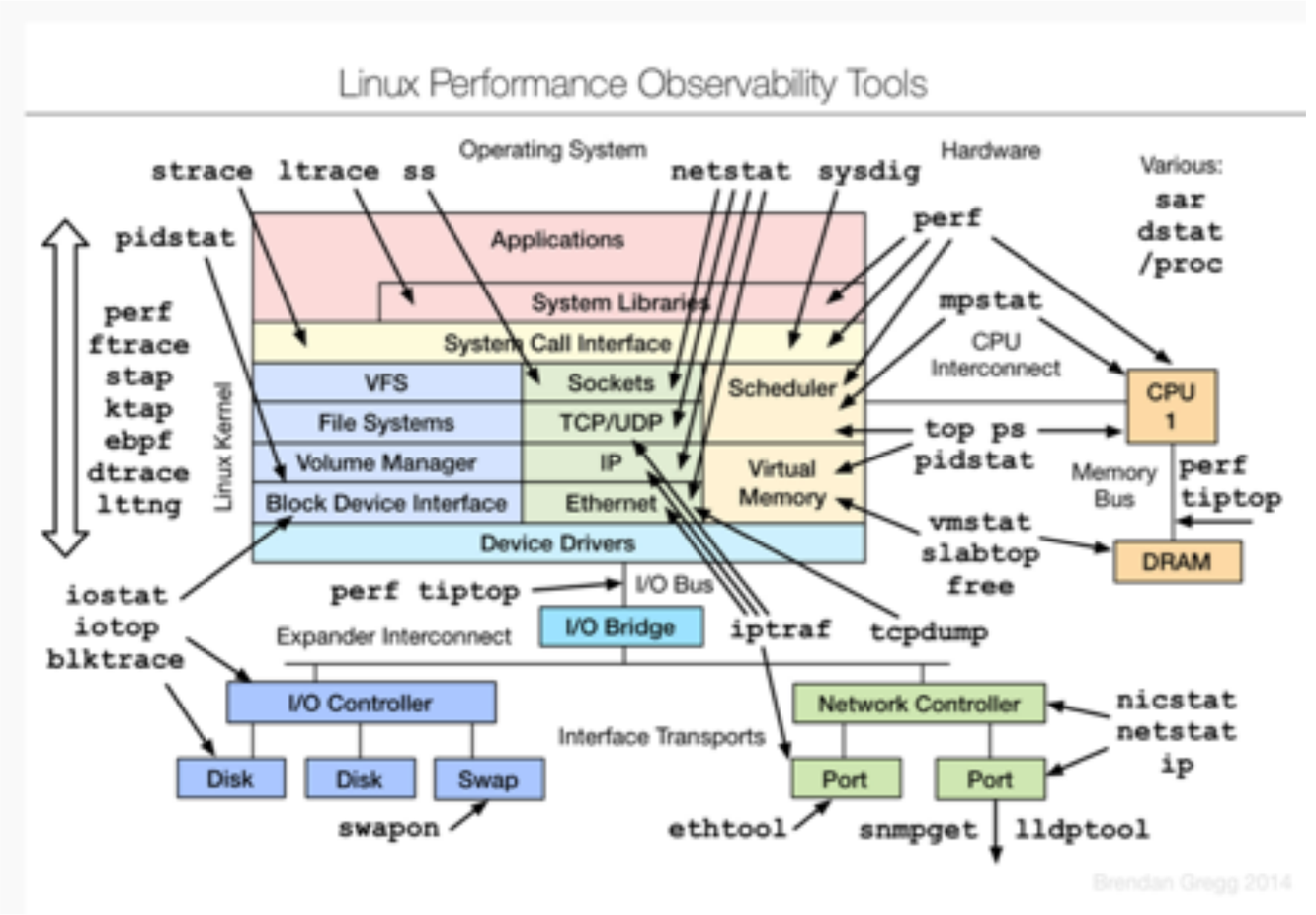


A Word about Monitoring…

- **always** validate the impact of your Monitoring on your Production ;-)
- taking 1sec measurements is fine, except :
  - if it's eating 100% CPU time on one or more CPU cores..
  - reducing your network traffic / latency..
  - eats your RAM, etc.
- avoid to be too much intrusive on MySQL/InnoDB internals..
  - you may easily create an additional overhead
  - as well you may add artificial locks on your workflow
    - ex: in 5.6 run in loop "show processlist", etc..
- well, think about what you're doing (#1 best practice once again ;-))

System Monitoring (Linux)

- Keep an eye on :
  - CPU Usage%
  - Run queue
  - RAM / swap
  - Top processes
  - I/O op/sec / MB/sec
  - Network traffic
  - etc..



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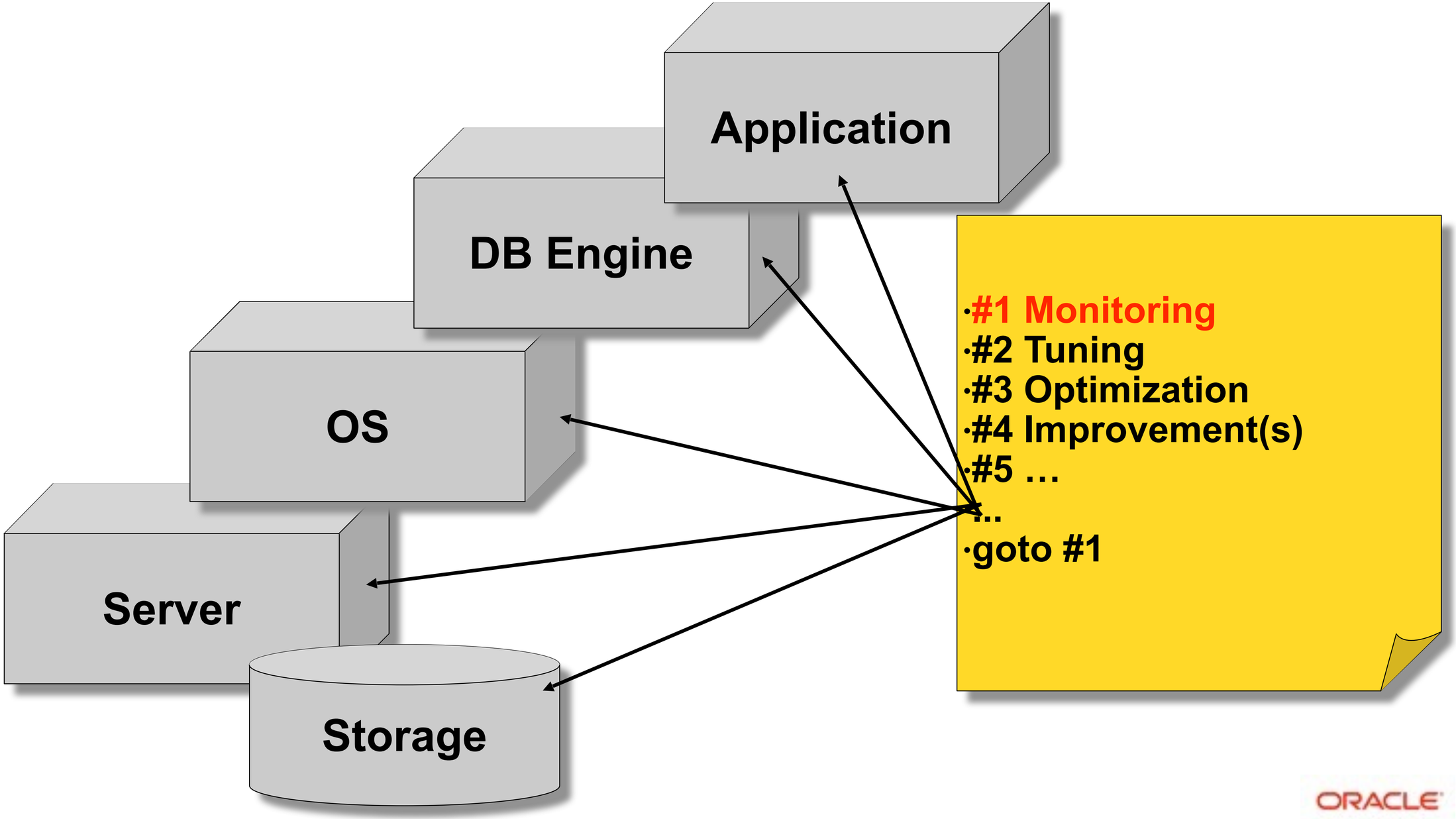

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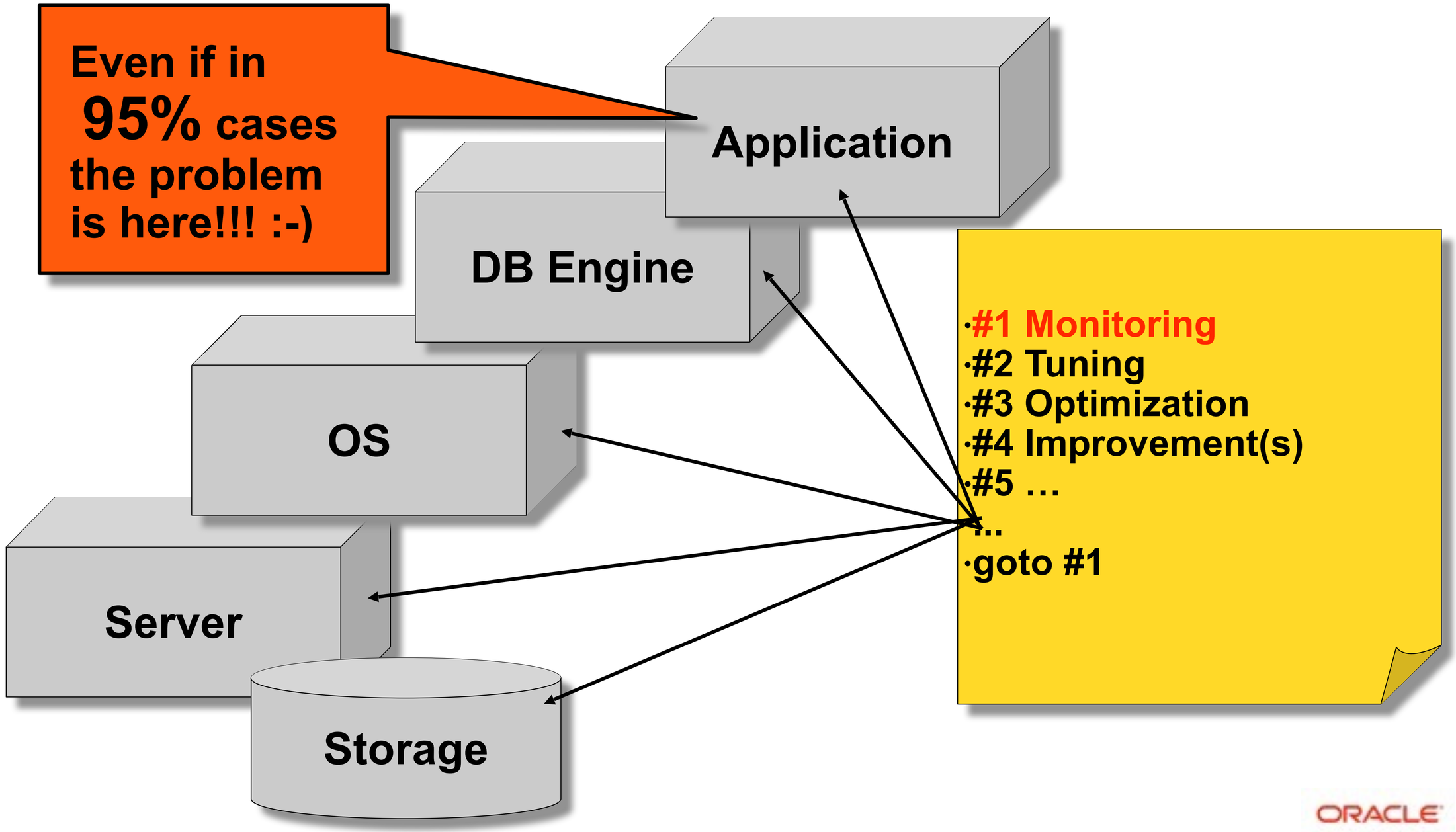

What to Monitor ?..

- Everything ;-)
- The main goal of Monitoring :
  - to understand what is changed once you're hitting a performance problem..
  - (all the diff between "good" -vs- "bad")
  - otherwise all this is useless ;-))
- Then :
  - be sure the problem is coming from MySQL..
  - be sure you're not hitting any system limits !!
  - be sure you're not hitting MySQL internal limitations..

Using “perf” (Linux) — low impact profiler

- Use cases :
  - # perf top -z --stdio <== live monitoring
  - # perf record -a -g -f -F 99 -- sleep 20 <== record 20sec of data
  - # perf report | more <== report from collected data
  - # perf annotate <== jump to source code
- links :
  - https://perf.wiki.kernel.org <== main resource
  - http://www.brendangregg.com/perf.html <== the most fun stuff !!!
    - Thanks Brendan! ;-))

Profiling example: # perf top -z --stdio

- Observations :
  - nothing special..
  - mysqld is the top running process, fine..

```
PerfTop:  312195 irqs/sec  kernel:19.2%  exact:  0.0% [4000Hz cycles],  (all, 80 CPUs)
-------------------------------------------------------------------------------

   4.77%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] my_hash_sort_simple
   4.42%  libc-2.12.so                               [.] memcpy
   2.87%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] row_search_mvcc(unsigned char*, unsigned
   2.29%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] rec_get_offsets_func(unsigned char const*
   1.81%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] buf_page_get_gen(page_id_t const&, page_s
   1.59%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] my_strnxfrm_simple
   0.96%  libmysqlclient_r.so.16.0.0                 [.] 0x0000000000058710
   0.94%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] btr_cur_search_to_nth_level(dict_index_t*
   0.89%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] page_cur_search_with_match(buf_block_t co
   0.84%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] _ZL19rw_lock_s_lock_funcP9rw_lock_tmPKcm.
   0.74%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] cmp_dtuple_rec_with_match_low(dtuple_t co
   0.66%  libc-2.12.so                               [.] __memset_sse2
   0.60%  [kernel]                                   [k] copy_user_generic_string
```

Profiling example (2)

- Observations :
  - memcpy() is the most hot, called by mysqld (check call-stack)
  - nothing to do.. (check apps, SELECT ranges, etc..)

```
PerfTop:  286835 irqs/sec  kernel:20.2%  exact:  0.0% [4000Hz cycles],  (all, 80 CPUs)
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   8.49%  libc-2.12.so                                [.] memcpy
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   3.33%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex    [.] rec_get_offsets_func(unsigned char const*
   1.95%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex    [.] buf_page_get_gen(page_id_t const&, page_s
   1.46%  libmysqlclient_r.so.16.0.0                   [.] 0x000000000005862f
   1.36%  [kernel]                                     [k] copy_user_generic_string
   1.15%  [kernel]                                     [k] native_write_msr_safe
   1.02%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex    [.] btr_cur_search_to_nth_level(dict_index_t*
   0.98%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex    [.] page_cur_search_with_match(buf_block_t co
   0.98%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex    [.] _ZL19rw_lock_s_lock_funcP9rw_lock_tmPKcm.
   0.94%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex    [.] evaluate_join_record(JOIN*, QEP_TAB*)
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   0.87%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex    [.] my_lengthsp_8bit
   0.86%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex    [.] row_sel_store_mysql_field_func(unsigned c
   0.83%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex    [.] row_sel_field_store_in_mysql_format_func(
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Profiling example (3)

- Observations :
  - my_hash_sort_simple() is the most hot (mysqld)
  - nothing to do.. (check apps, memory temp tables usage, query plan, etc..)

```
PerfTop:  291110 irqs/sec  kernel:12.8%  exact:  0.0% [4000Hz cycles],  (all, 80 CPUs)
-------------------------------------------------------------------------------

 22.90%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] my_hash_sort_simple
  6.24%  libc-2.12.so                               [.] memcpy
  4.09%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] my_strnxfrm_simple
  2.57%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] row_search_mvcc(unsigned char*, unsigned
  1.71%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] rec_get_offsets_func(unsigned char const*
  1.59%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] hp_write_key
  1.15%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] void std::__merge_sort_with_buffer<unsign
  1.06%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] hp_rec_hashnr
  0.96%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] evaluate_join_record(JOIN*, QEP_TAB*)
  0.88%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] buf_page_get_gen(page_id_t const&, page_s
  0.81%  libmysqlclient_r.so.16.0.0                 [.] 0x000000000005881f
  0.71%  [kernel]                                   [k] copy_user_generic_string
  0.67%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] filesort(THD*, QEP_TAB*, Filesort*, bool,
  0.56%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] long long compare_between_int_result<unsi
  0.54%  [kernel]                                   [k] native_write_msr_safe
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  0.51%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] heap_write
  0.50%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] ha_innobase::general_fetch(unsigned char*, unsign
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Profiling example (4)

- Observations :
  - _spin_lock() is the most hot (or ut_delay, or rw_lock*, or *lock*, etc.)
  - you're hitting a lock contention! (MySQL or not)
  - if MySQL : analyze PFS waits, innodb status, mutex status, etc..

```
PerfTop:  296349 irqs/sec  kernel:44.9%  exact:  0.0% [4000Hz cycles],  (all, 80 CPUs)
-------------------------------------------------------------------------------

  29.04%  [kernel]                                  [k] _spin_lock
  15.39%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] PolicyMutex<TTASFutexMutex<NoPolicy> >::e
  10.18%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] mtr_t::Command::prepare_write()
   6.21%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] ut_delay(unsigned long)
   1.55%  [kernel]                                  [k] native_write_msr_safe
   1.52%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] log_write_up_to(unsigned long, bool)
   0.78%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] rw_lock_x_lock_func(rw_lock_t*, unsigned
   0.59%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] buf_page_get_gen(page_id_t const&, page_s
   0.44%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] btr_cur_search_to_nth_level(dict_index_t*,
   0.38%  [kernel]                                  [k] schedule
   0.35%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] lock_table(unsigned long, dict_table_t*, lo
   0.34%  mysqld-576-withPFS-O3-Sep17-no_omit-futex  [.] trx_undo_assign_undo(trx_t*, trx_undo_ptr_t
   0.27%  libjemalloc.so                            [.] free
   0.27%  libjemalloc.so                            [.] malloc
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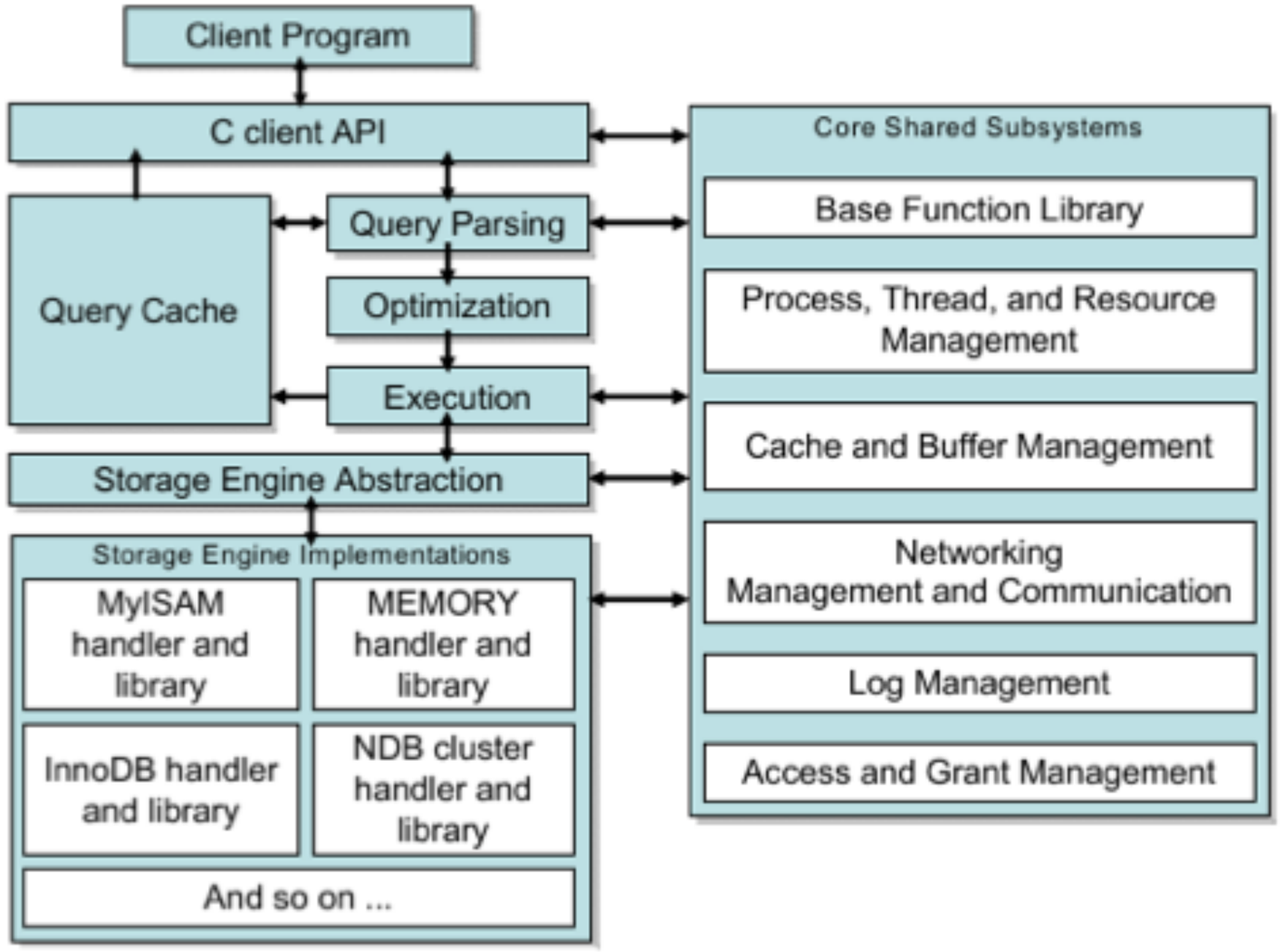

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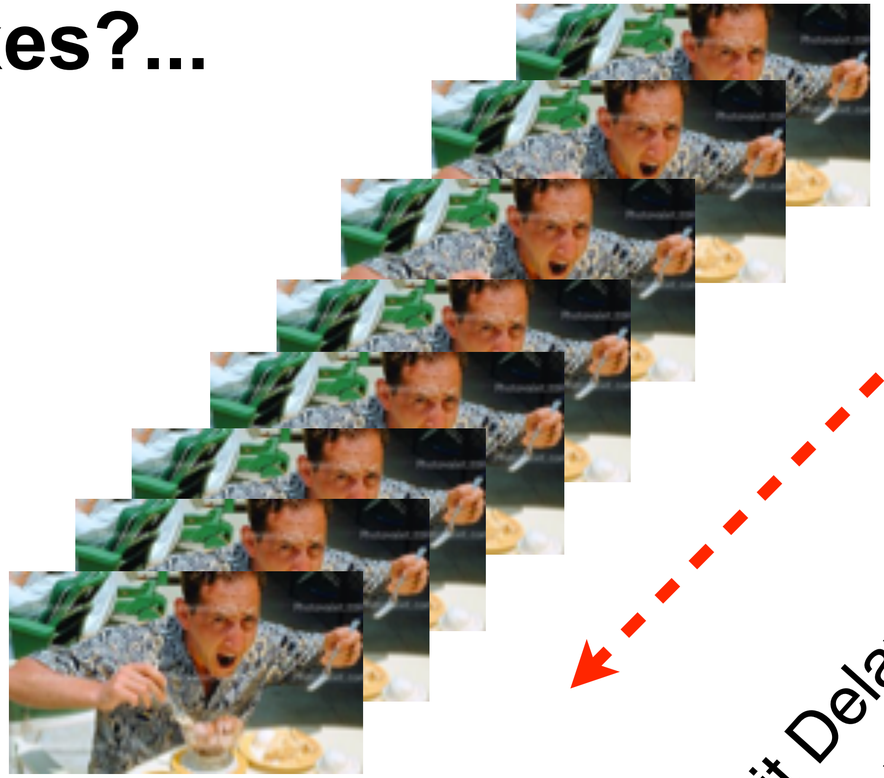

Spin Wait Delay = zZZ... ;-)
(PAUSE execution)

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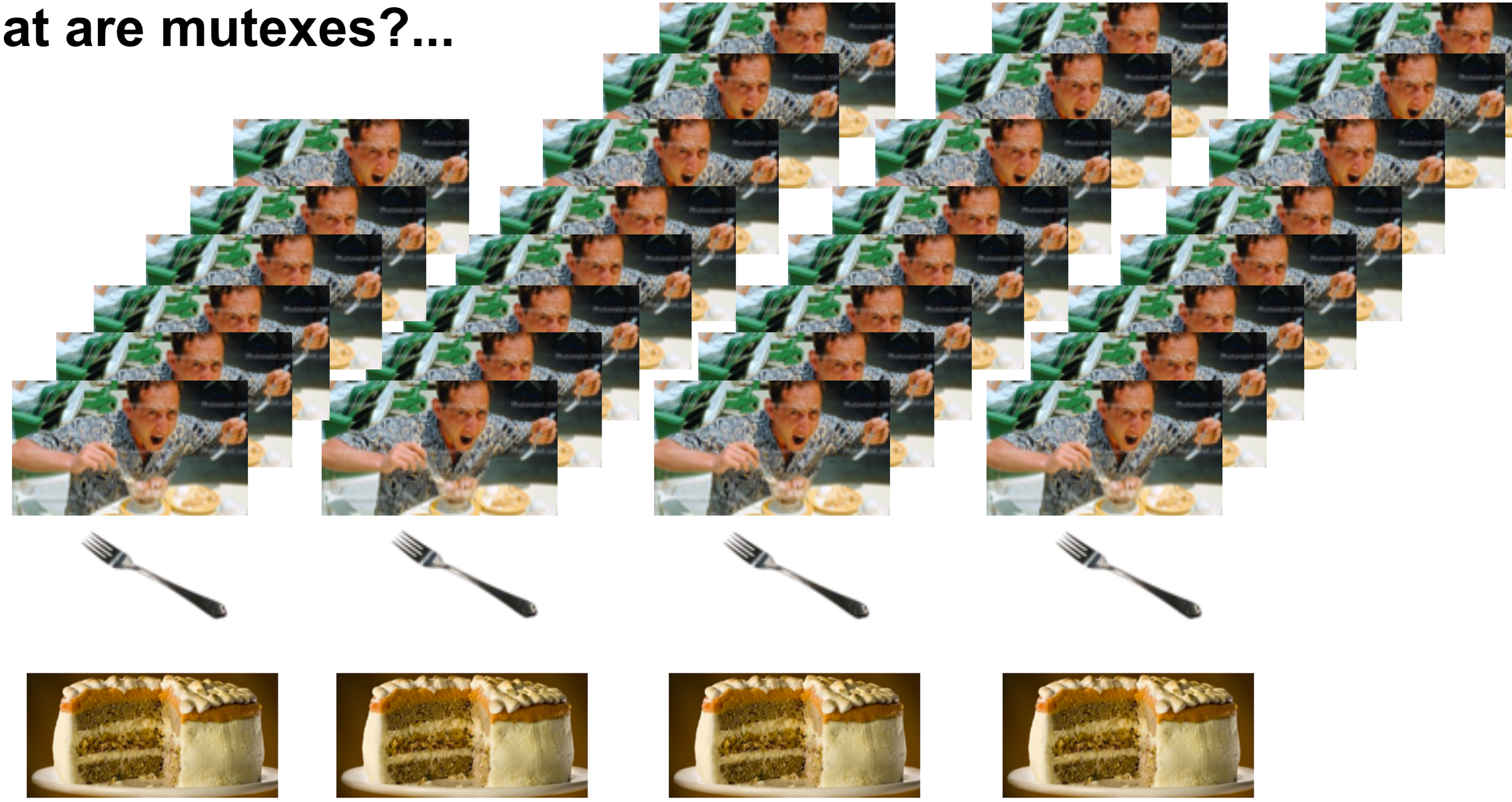

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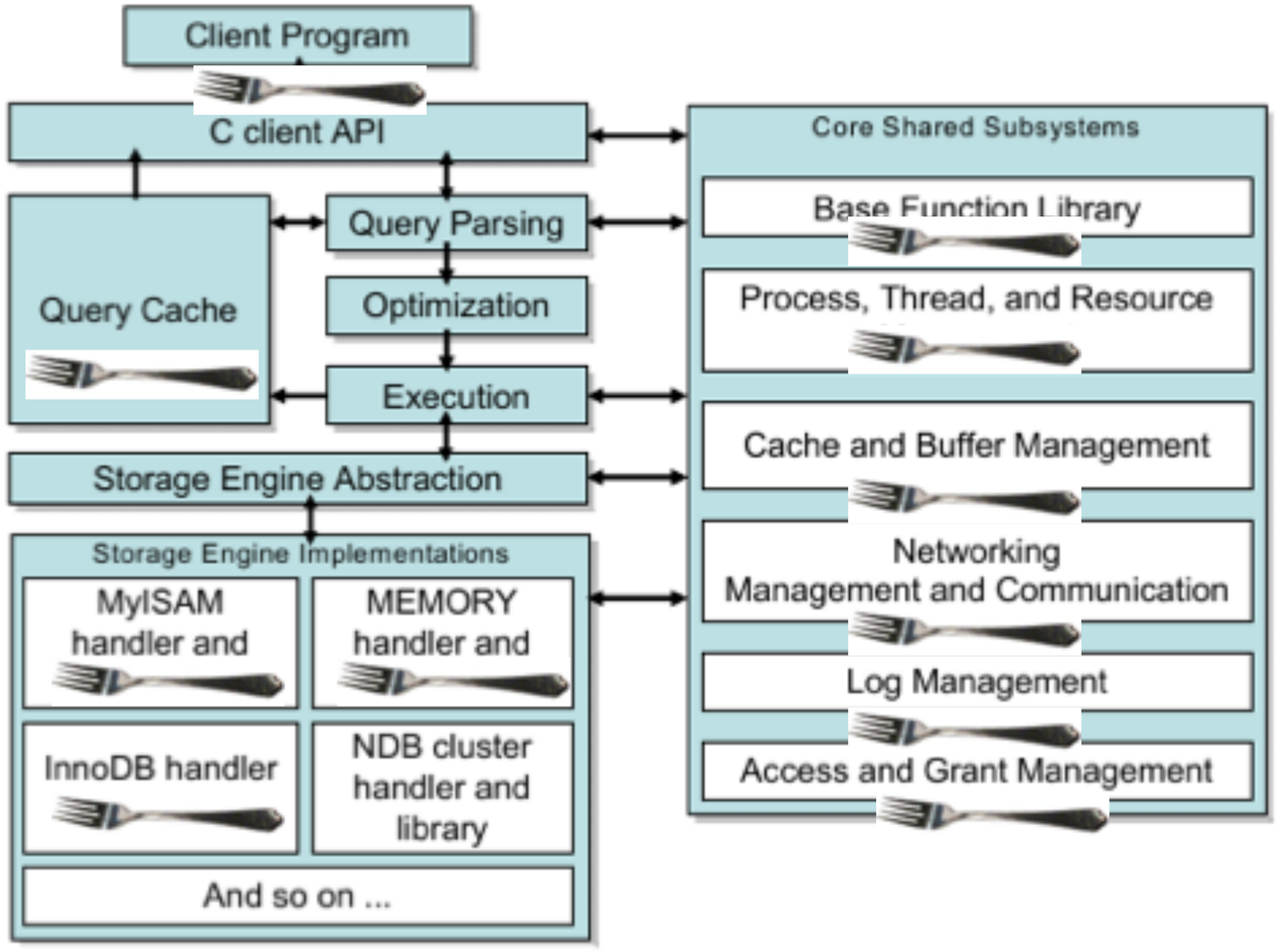


InnoDB Internals Overview

- Also Multi-Threaded ;-)
  - user threads
  - “background” threads :
    - Master thread
    - Cleaner thread(s)
    - Purge thread(s)
    - IO threads
  - mutexes and RW-locks
    - NOTE : current RW-locks implementation is poorly scaling..
  - most famous in the past :
    - MySQL : LOCK_open
    - InnoDB : kernel_mutex

Performance Schema: Gold Mine of Info!

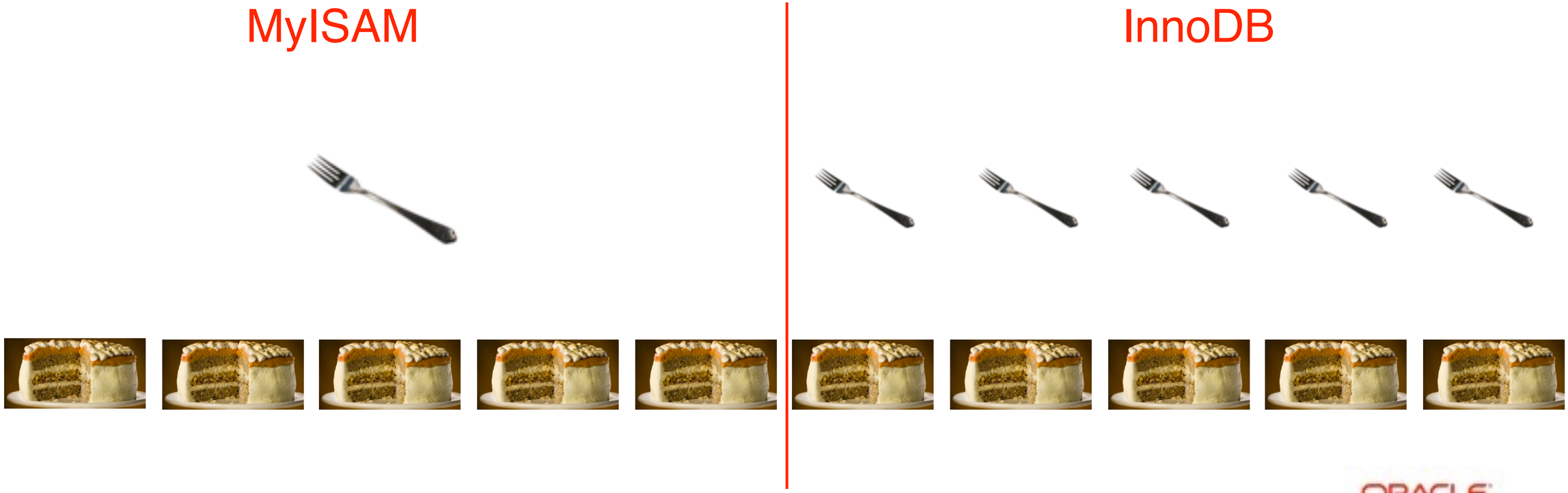
- Just a point about how to analyze mutex lock **contentions**

```
mysql> select EVENT_NAME, max(SUM_TIMER_WAIT)/1000000000000 as WaitTM
       from events_waits_summary_global_by_event_name group by 1 order by 2 desc limit 5;
+-----------------------------------------+------------+
| EVENT_NAME                              | WaitTM     |
+-----------------------------------------+------------+
| wait/io/file/innodb/innodb_data_file    | 24404.2548 |
| idle                                    |  1830.1419 |
| wait/synch/rwlock/innodb/hash_table_locks |    25.2959 |
| wait/synch/mutex/innodb/fil_system_mutex |    24.9102 |
| wait/io/file/innodb/innodb_log_file     |    11.2126 |
+-----------------------------------------+------------+
5 rows in set (0.03 sec)
```

```
mysql> select EVENT_NAME, max(SUM_TIMER_WAIT)/1000000000000 as WaitTM
        from events_waits_summary_by_instance group by 1 order by 2 desc limit 5;
+-----------------------------------------+----------+
| EVENT_NAME                              | WaitTM   |
+-----------------------------------------+----------+
| wait/io/file/innodb/innodb_data_file    | 791.3204 |
| wait/synch/mutex/innodb/fil_system_mutex |  25.8183 |
| wait/synch/rwlock/innodb/btr_search_latch |   5.2865 |
| wait/io/file/innodb/innodb_log_file     |   4.6977 |
| wait/synch/rwlock/sql/LOCK_grant        |   4.4940 |
+-----------------------------------------+----------+
5 rows in set (0.06 sec)
```

Visual explanation : MyISAM -vs- InnoDB ;-)

- MyISAM -vs- InnoDB
  - (table locking -vs- row locking)

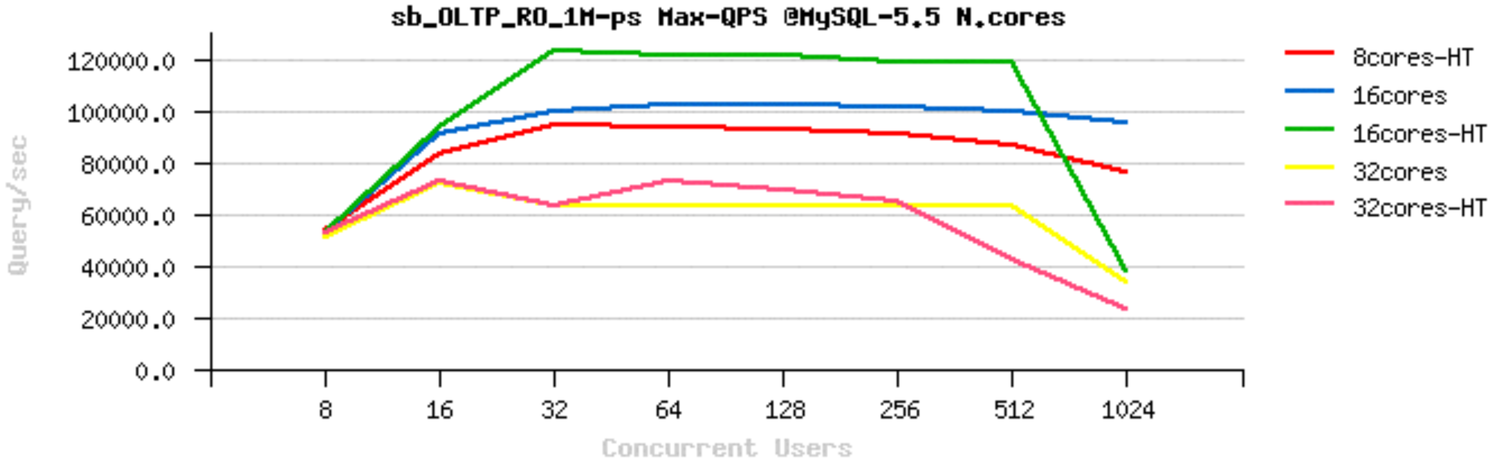


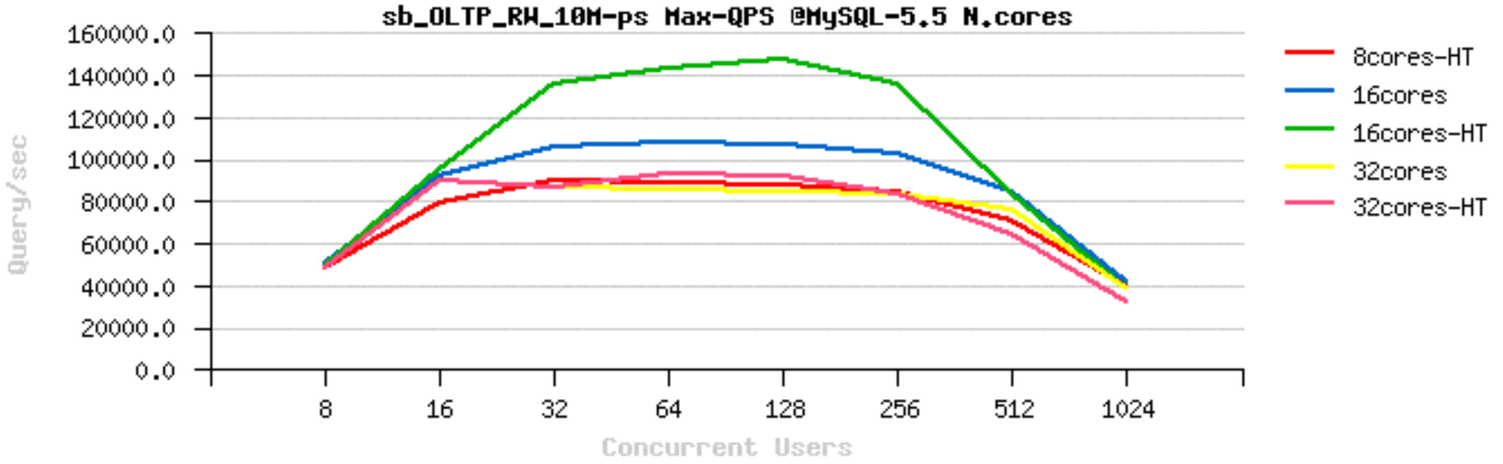
Analyzing Workloads: RO -vs- RW

- Read-Only (RO) :
  - Nothing more simple when comparing DB Engines, HW configs, etc..
  - RO In-Memory : data set fit in memory / BP / cache
  - RO IO-bound : data set out-passing a given memory / BP / cache
- Read+Write (RW) :
  - I/O is **ALWAYS** present ! - storage performance matters a lot !
  - may be considered as always IO-bound ;-)
  - RW In-Memory : same as RO, data set fit in memory, but :
    - small data set => small writes
    - big dataset => big writes ;-)
  - RW IO-bound : data set out-passing a memory
    - means there will be (a lot of?) reads !
- NOTE : Random Read (RR) operation is the main IO-bound killer !!!

From where we're coming with MySQL 5.7 ?..

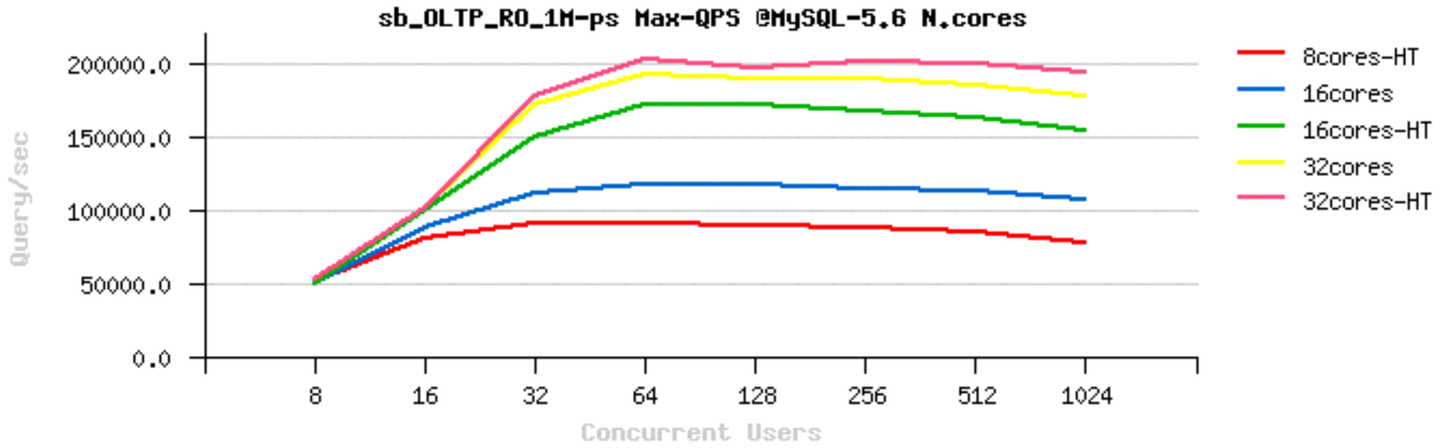
- MySQL 5.5 : RO & RW
  - QPS Max on 16cores
  - worse on 32cores
  - Note: RW out-pass RO!

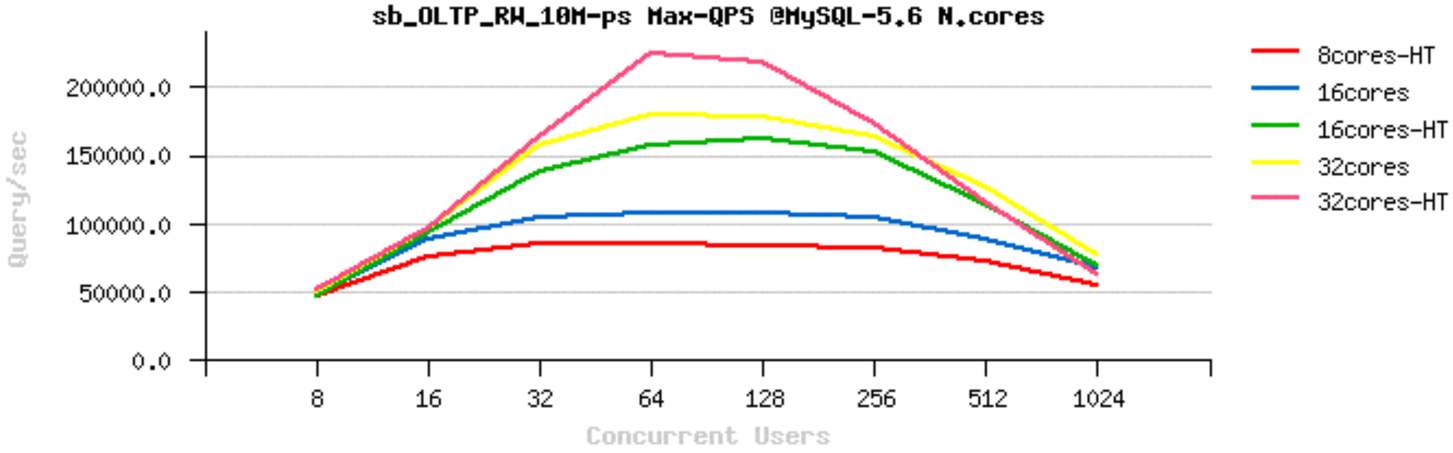




From where we're coming with MySQL 5.7 ?..

- MySQL 5.6 : RO & RW
  - not lower on 32cores!! ;-)
  - RW out-pass RO !!..??





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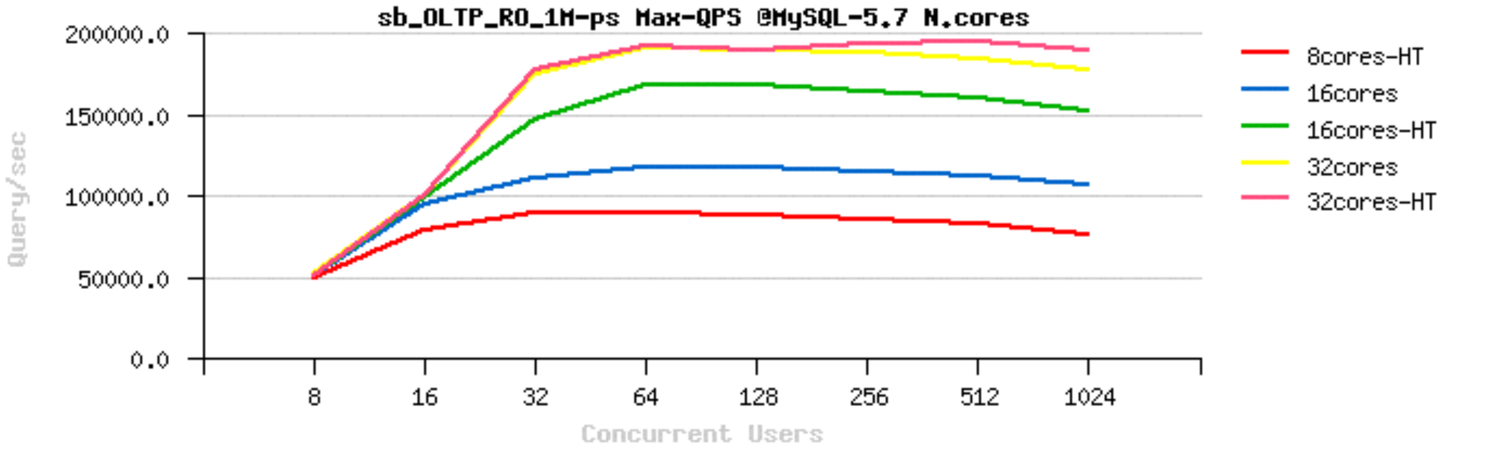
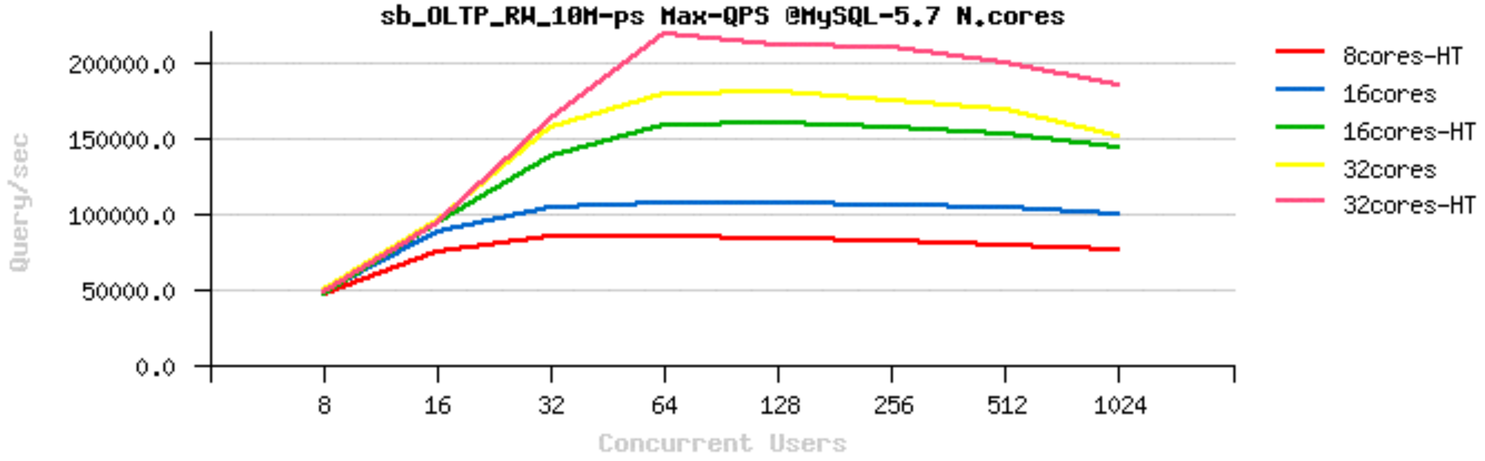
- MySQL 5.7.1 : RO & RW
  - more stable than 5.6
  - **RW** out-pass RO !!..





Read-Only Scalability @MySQL / InnoDB

- Depends on a workload..
  - sometimes the limit is only within your memcpy() rate ;-)
- But really started to scale only since MySQL 5.7
  - due improved TRX list management, MDL, THR_lock, etc..
  - scaling up to 64 CPU cores for sure, reported on more cores too..
  - Note : remind my “scalability” notes ;-))
  - Note : code path is growing with new features! (small HW may regress)
- IO-bound :
  - could be limited by storage (if you’re not using a fast flash)
  - or by internal contentions (InnoDB file_sys mutex)
- Limitations
  - there are still some limitations “by design” (block lock, file_sys, etc..)
  - all in TODO to be fixed, but some are needing a deep redesign

RO related starter configuration settings

- my.conf :

```
join_buffer_size=32K
sort_buffer_size=32K

table_open_cache = 8000
table_open_cache_instances = 16
query_cache_type = 0

innodb_buffer_pool_size= 64000M (2/3 RAM ?)
innodb_buffer_pool_instances = 32
innodb_thread_concurrency = 0 / 32 / 64
innodb_spin_wait_delay= 6 / 48 / 96

innodb_stats_persistent = 1
innodb_adaptive_hash_index= 0 / 1
innodb_monitor_enable = '%'
```

Sysbench OLTP_RO Workloads

- Available Test Workloads :
  - **Point-Select** : a row read by PK id (most aggressive workload, extremely fast queries)
  - **Simple-Ranges** : read N rows via PK range (hot on memcpy() and hash)
  - **Order-Ranges** : as Simple-Ranges, but ordered by non-indexed column (hot on the same)
  - **SUM-Ranges** : read SUM value from N rows in PK range (hot on the same)
  - **Distinct-Ranges** : as Order-Ranges, but DISTINCT values from non-indexed column (extremely hot on in-memory temp tables create/drop)..
  - **RO_Connect** : a single Point-Select with re-connect
- OLTP_RO :
  - composed of :
    - x10 Point-Selects
    - x1 Simple-Range, N=100
    - x1 Order-Range, N=100
    - x1 SUM-Range, N=100
    - x1 Distinct-Range, N=100

Basic Operations “Entry Ticket”

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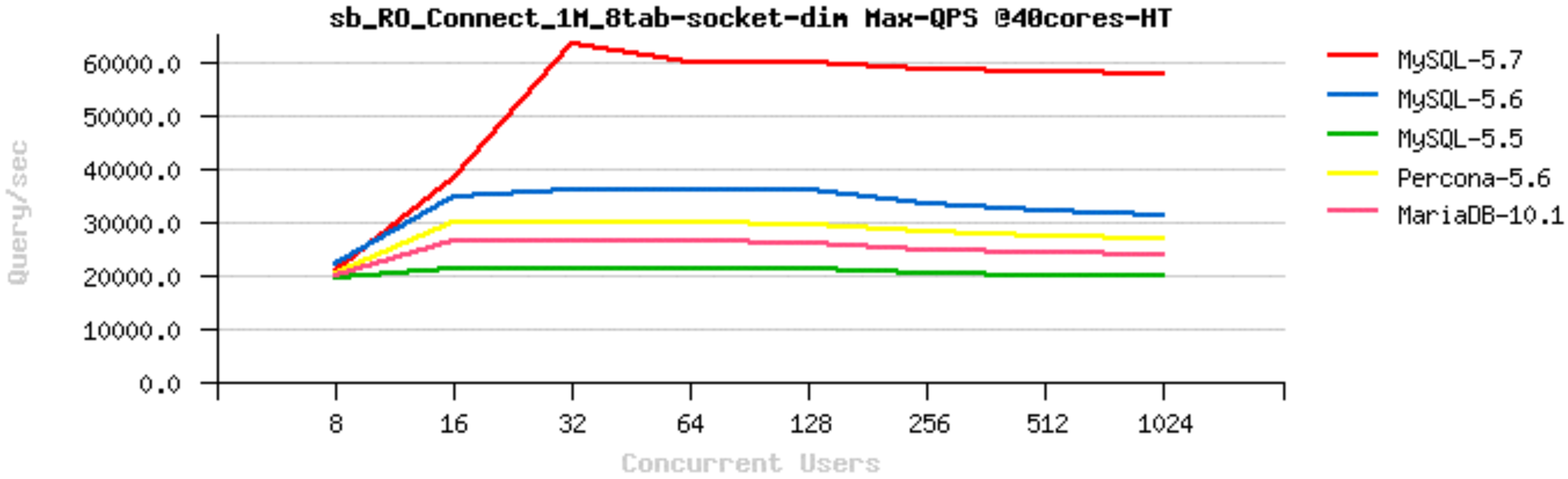

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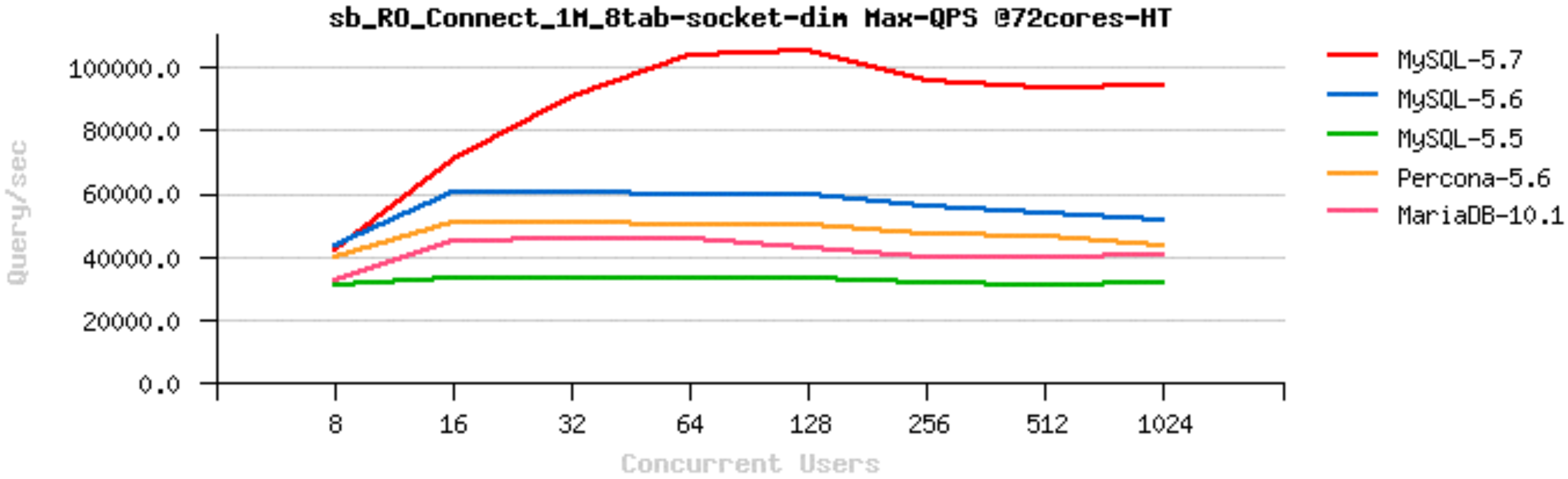

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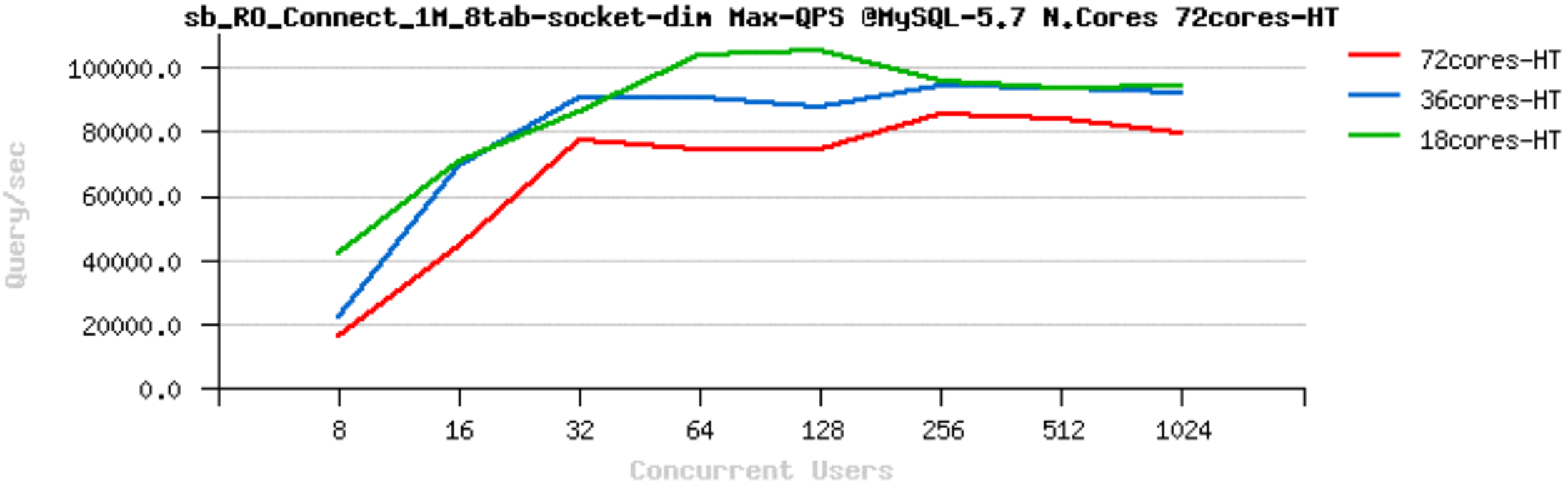
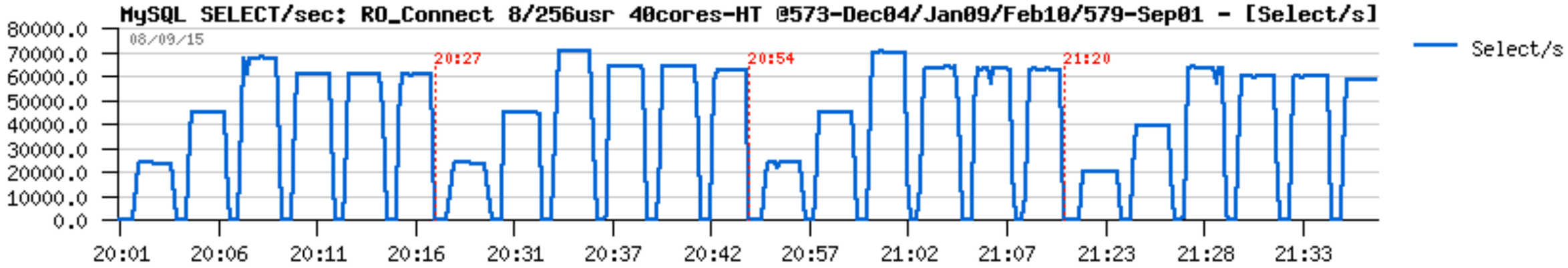
  - **NOTE:** it's not because of the number of CPU cores !!! (but CPU chip)



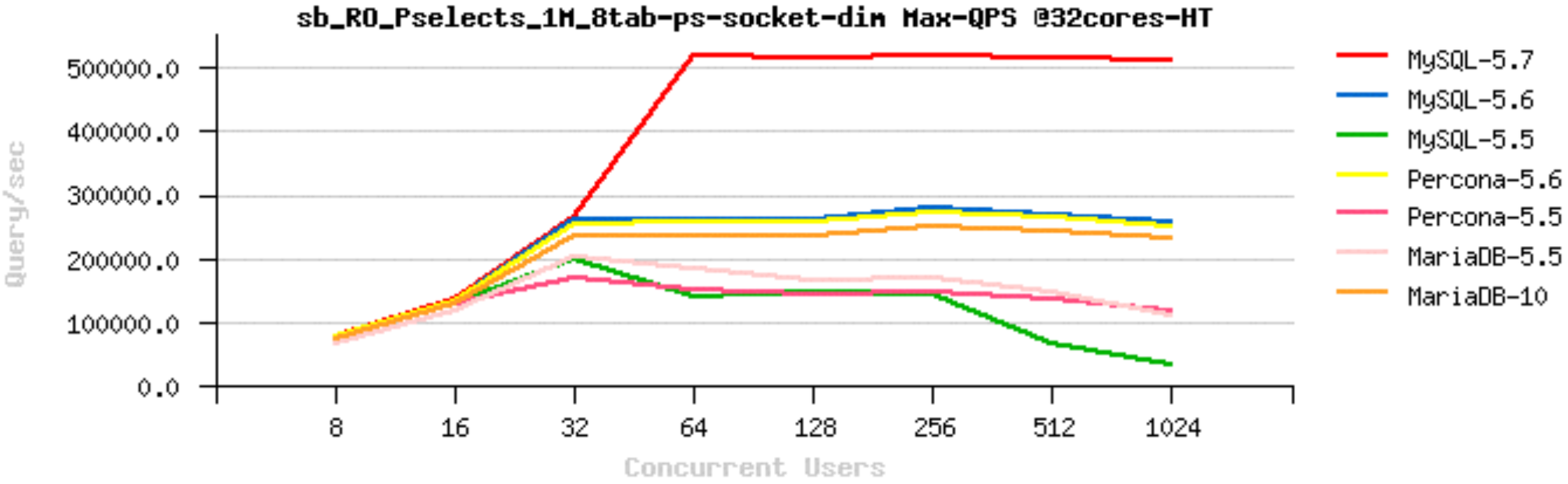
Entry Ticket : RO_Connect in 5.7

- Many web apps cannot use persistent connections
  - connect => Query(s) => disconnect
  - there was even 70K Connect/sec, but new features over 2 years..
  - 5.8 expectations : to do much more than this ;-)



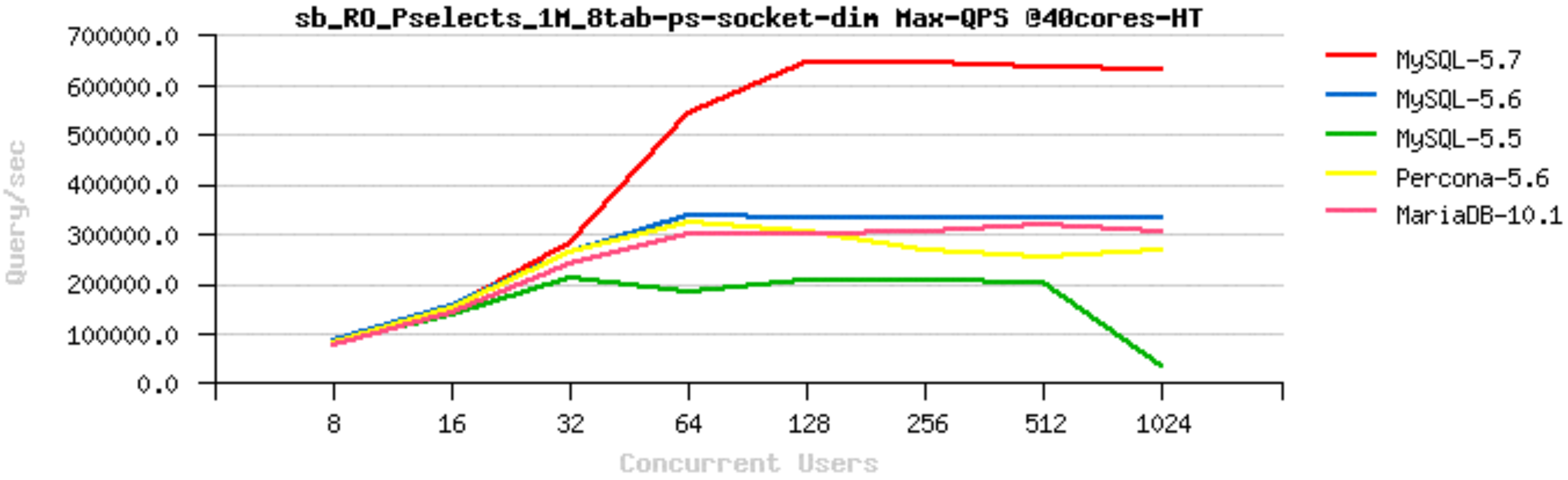
RO Point-Selects @MySQL 5.7 (Sep.2013)

- **500K QPS** Sysbench Point-Selects 8-tab, 32cores-HT :



RO Point-Selects @MySQL 5.7 (Oct.2014)

- **645K QPS** Sysbench Point-Selects 8-tab, 40cores-HT :



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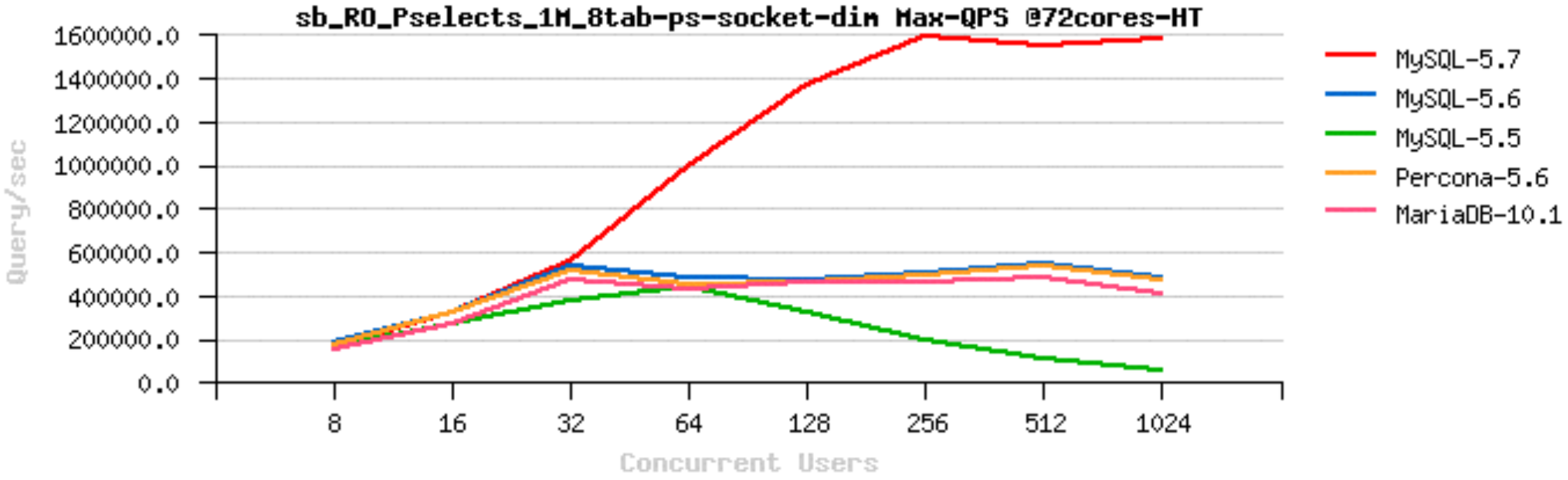

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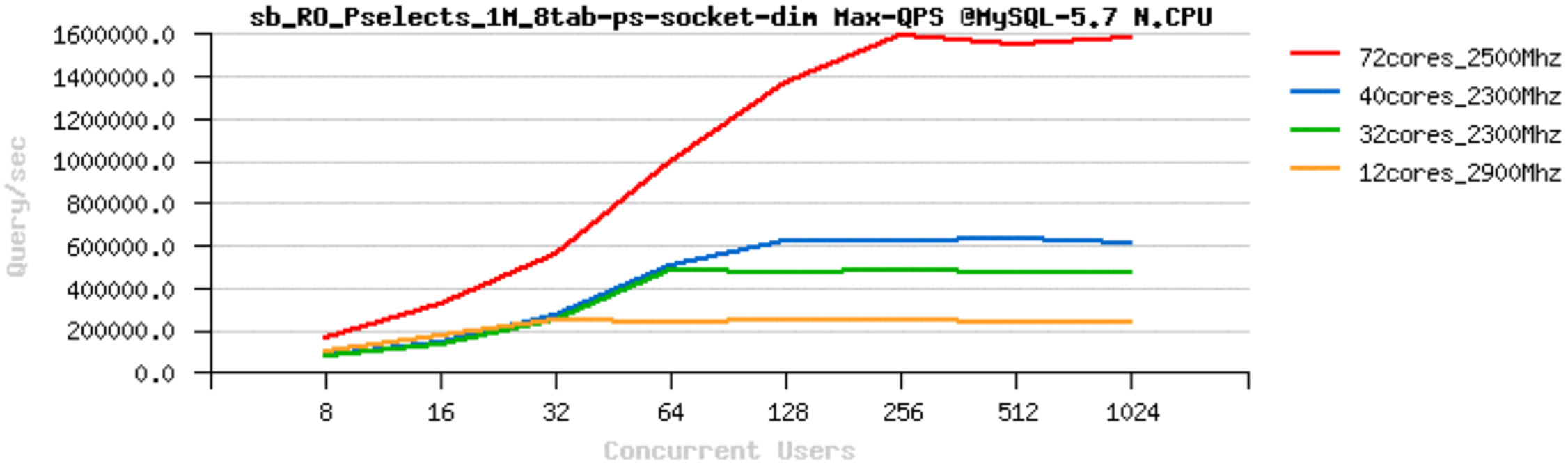

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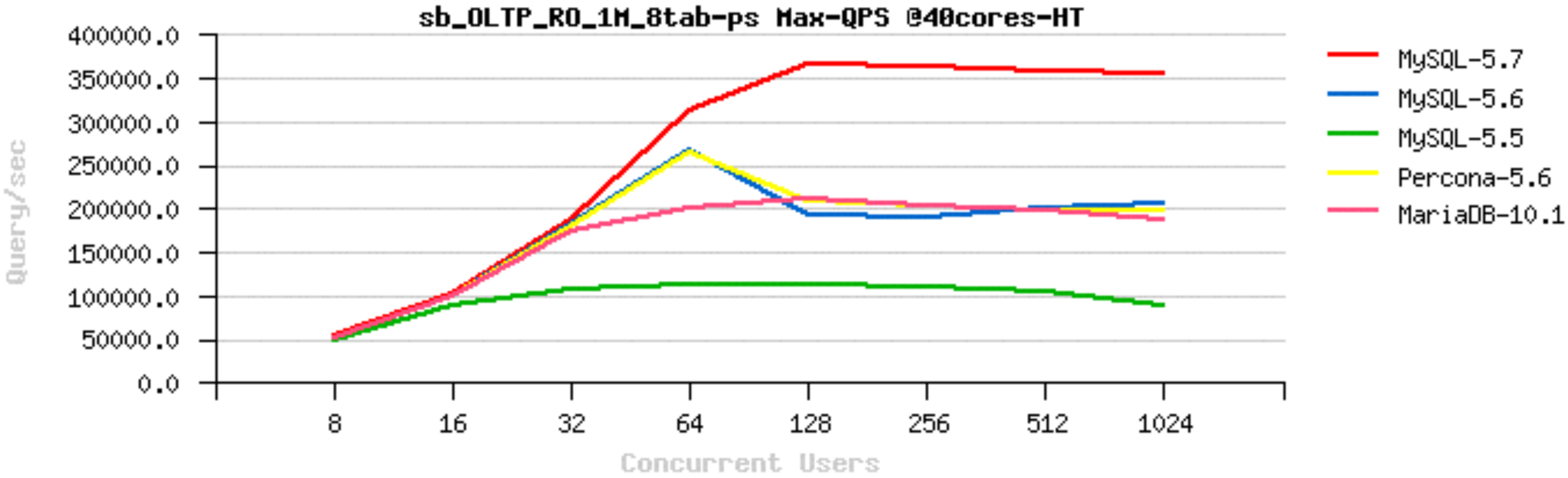
  - 40cores-HT



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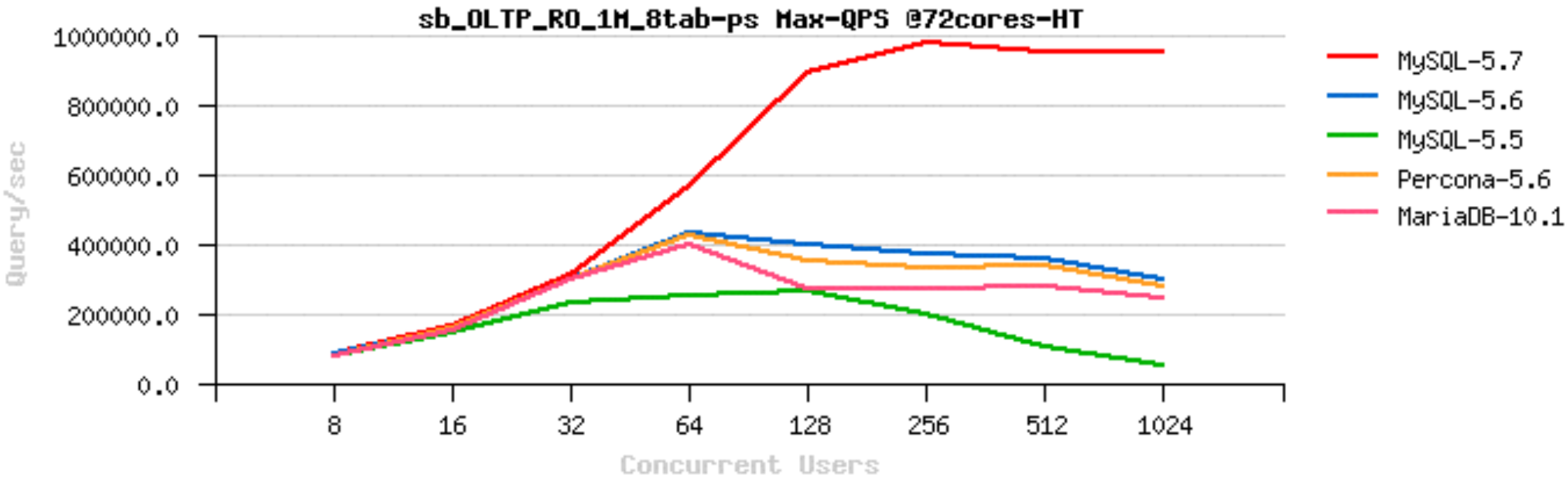

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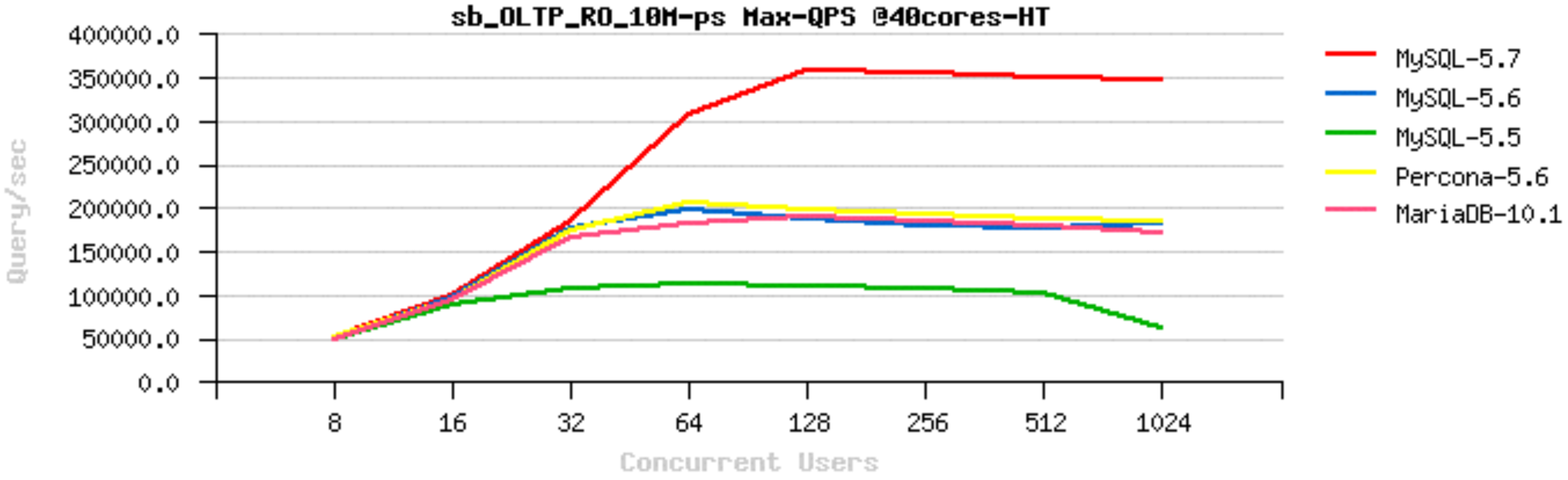

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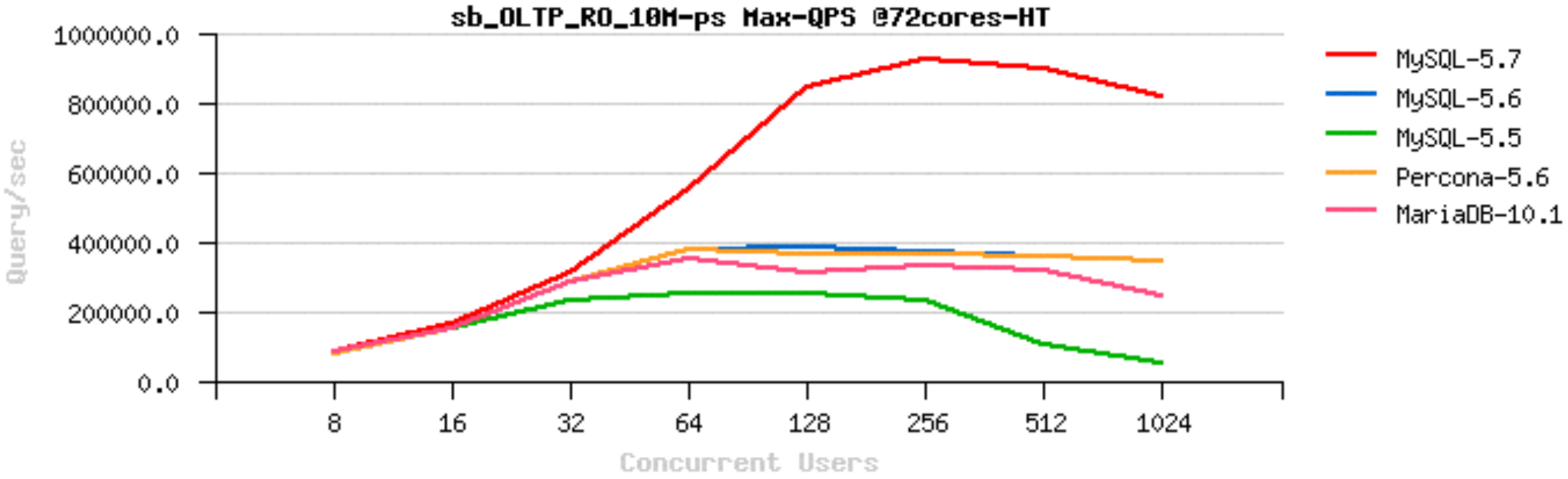
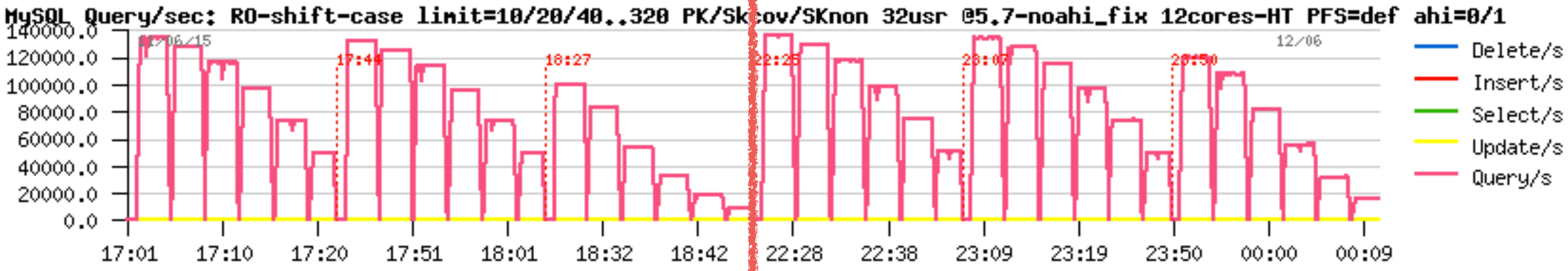


RO Pending Issues…

- InnoDB Adaptive Hash Index (AHI)
  - implemented with a global RW-lock
  - InnoDB RW-locks are not scaling by design (CPU cache syncs)
  - using table partitions helps to split indexes
  - using AHI partitions (5.7) helps to split RW-locks (coop. with Percona)
    - NOTE: and this is creating **20% regression** on DBT3 benchmark (single-thread)..
    - just to mention how the code is sensible today ;-))
  - yet far from fixed..
  - 5.8 : AHI re-write / re-design

RO Pending Issues…

- PK vs Sec.IDX lookups
  - AHI helps
  - using covering indexes helps
  - reading less rows per query helps too.. (in ex: 10/20/40.. 320 rows)
  - PK Cov.IDX Sec.IDX PK Cov.IDX Sec.IDX



AHI=off AHI=on

RO Pending Issues…

- InnoDB Block Lock
  - seen when the same pages are accessed concurrently..
  - how to see : “show mutex” is back ;-)
  - workarounds :
    - avoid such an access pattern, don’t do this ;-)
    - use a smart query cache (like ProxySQL), or row cache (memcached, etc.)..
  - expected to be fixed in 5.8 : page re-design
    - but nothing yet promised.. ;-)

When hitting “by design” issues..

- Could we consider it as a bug?..
  - not really, as it’s “by design” ;-)
  - regression? - nor either, as it was always like this ;-)
  - So? what to do? - Continue to complain and then you’ll see it fixed ;-)

Read-Only : IO-bound

- 5.5 : hmm..
- 5.6 / 5.7 :
  - LRU driven : just page eviction, see METRICS stats
  - HDD : limited by your I/O layer..
  - SDD : limited by your I/O layer..
  - Really Fast Flash (LSI, Fusion-io, etc.) :
    - avg load : follow I/O performance
    - high load: fil_sys mutex contention + kernel FS lock!
  - also consider : innodb_old_blocks_time & innodb_old_blocks_pct
- 5.7 :
  - excessive page scan is fixed

Read+Write (RW) Workloads Scalability @MySQL 5.7

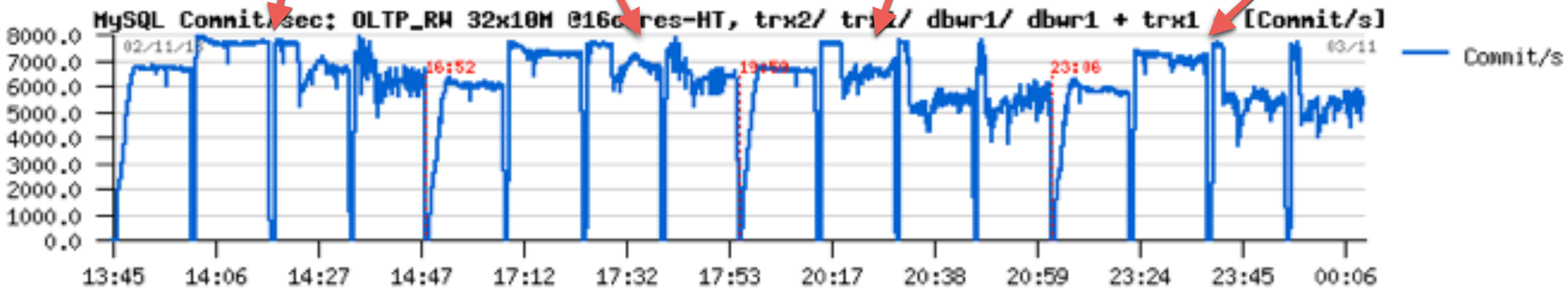
- Huge progress is already here too!
  - improved index locking
  - reduced lock_sys mutex contention
  - parallel flushing + improved flushing design
  - much better observability of internals
  - etc..
- However, not yet as good as Read-Only..
  - Performance continues to increase with more CPU cores
  - But on move from 16 to 32cores-HT you may gain only 50% better
  - Better performance on a faster storage as well
  - But cannot yet use a full power of fast flash for today..
  - Work in progress ;-)
  - Internal contentions & Design limitations are the main issues here..
  - still many things are in pipe & prototype..

Read+Write Performance @MySQL / InnoDB

- Transactional processing
  - your CPU-bound transactional processing defines your Max possible TPS
  - with a bigger volume / more IO / etc. => Max TPS will not increase ;-)
- Data Safety
  - binlog : overhead + bottleneck (be sure you have binlog group commit)
  - InnoDB checksums : overhead (reasonable since crc32 is used)
  - innodb_flush_log_at_trx_commit = 1 : overhead + bottleneck
  - InnoDB double write buffer : **KILLER** ! overhead + huge bottleneck..
    - need a fix / re-design / etc. in urgency ;-)
    - Fusion-io atomic writes is one of (**true** support in MySQL 5.7)
    - BTRFS / ZFS atomic writes
    - Using EXT4 with data journal is another one
    - but a true re-design is still preferable ;-)

Impact of “safety” options..

- OLTP_RW 32x10M-tables @Percona-5.6
  - test cases: trx=2 | trx=1 + chksum=1 | dblwr=1 | trx=1 + chksum=1 + dblwr=1



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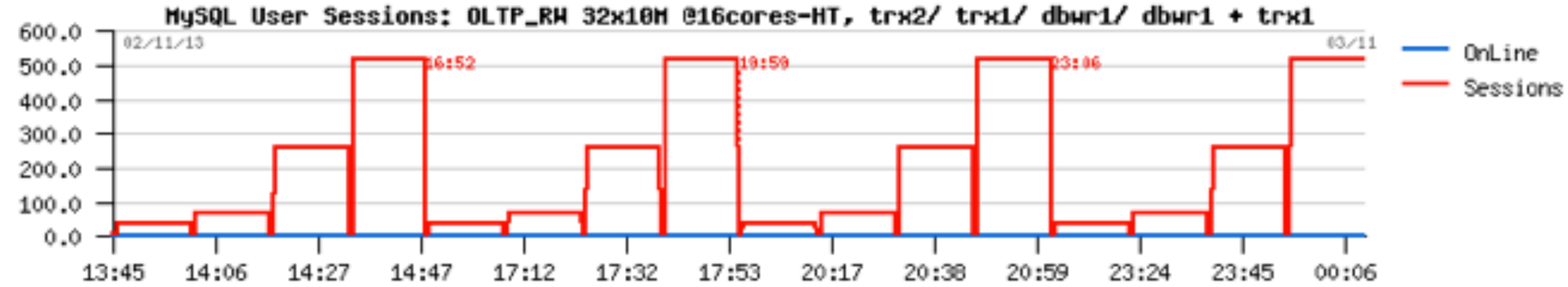
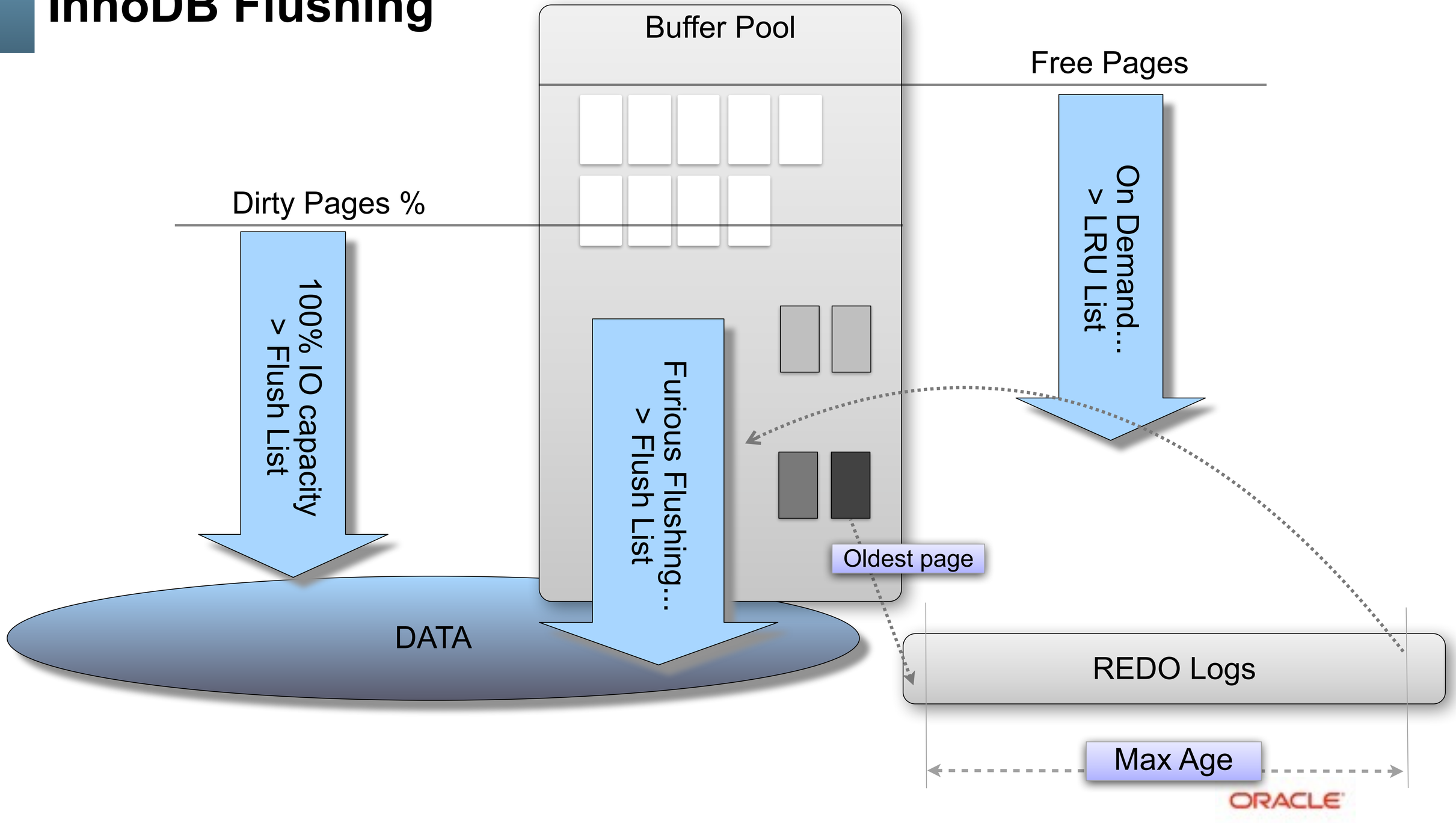


Read+Write Workloads : InnoDB Flushing

- InnoDB Flushing...
  - 5.5 : no comments.. ;-)
    - io capacity !!
  - 5.6 :
    - Improved Adaptive Flushing (step 1)
    - Cleaner Thread
    - io capacity max !!
    - LRU depth !!
  - 5.7 :
    - multiple Cleaner Threads
    - improved LRU flushing
    - improved Adaptive Flushing Design (step 2)

InnoDB Flushing



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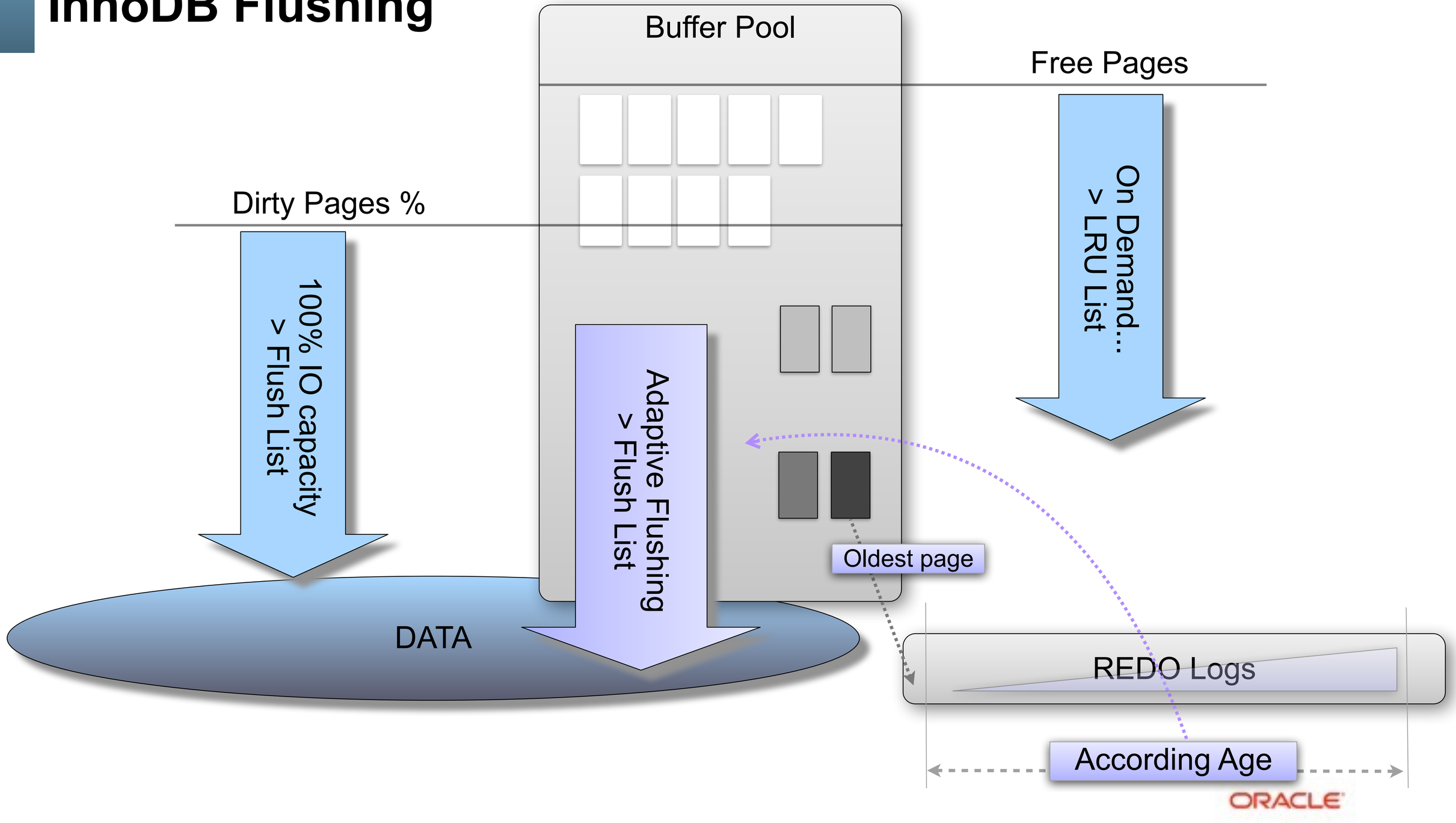

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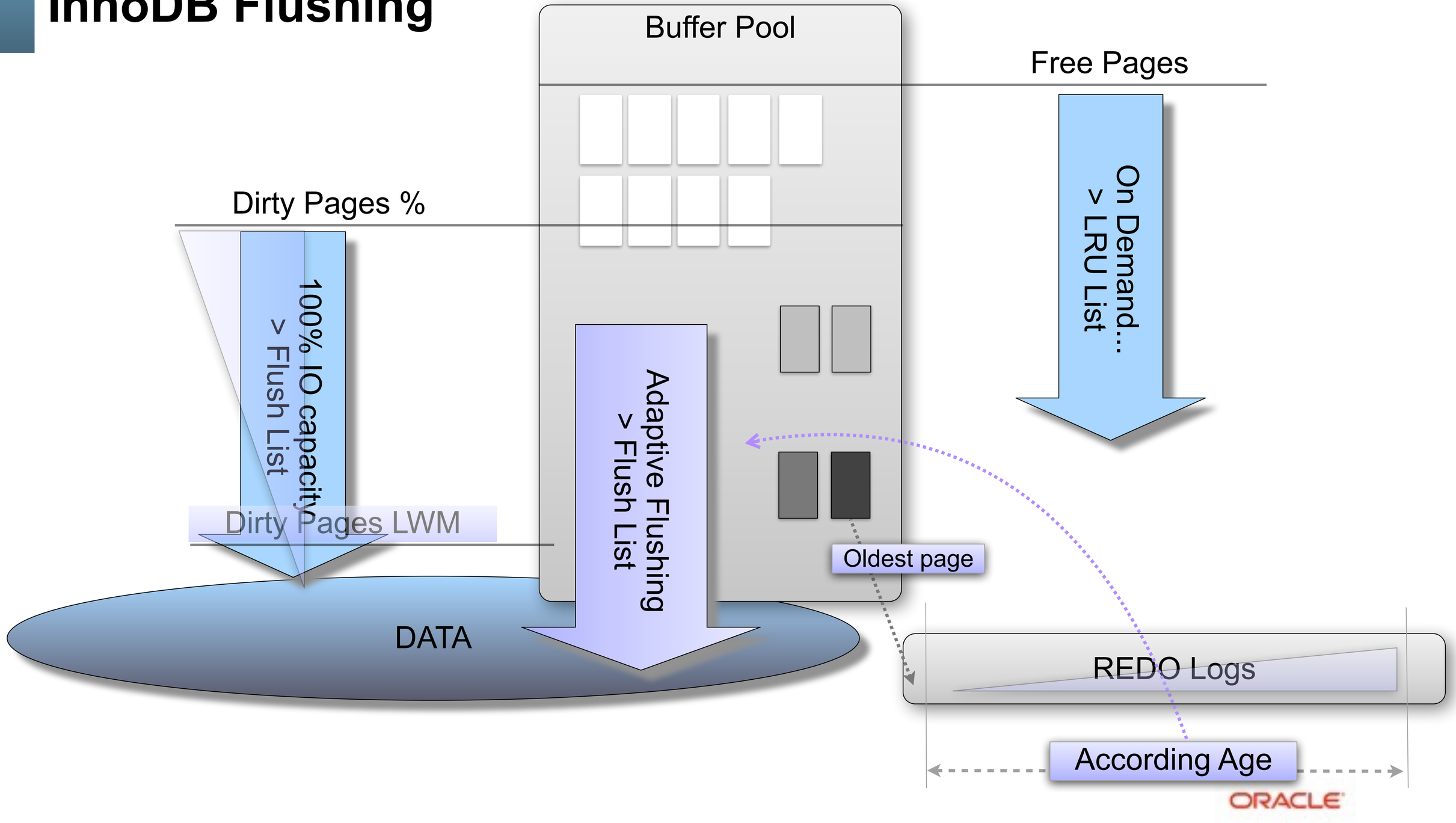

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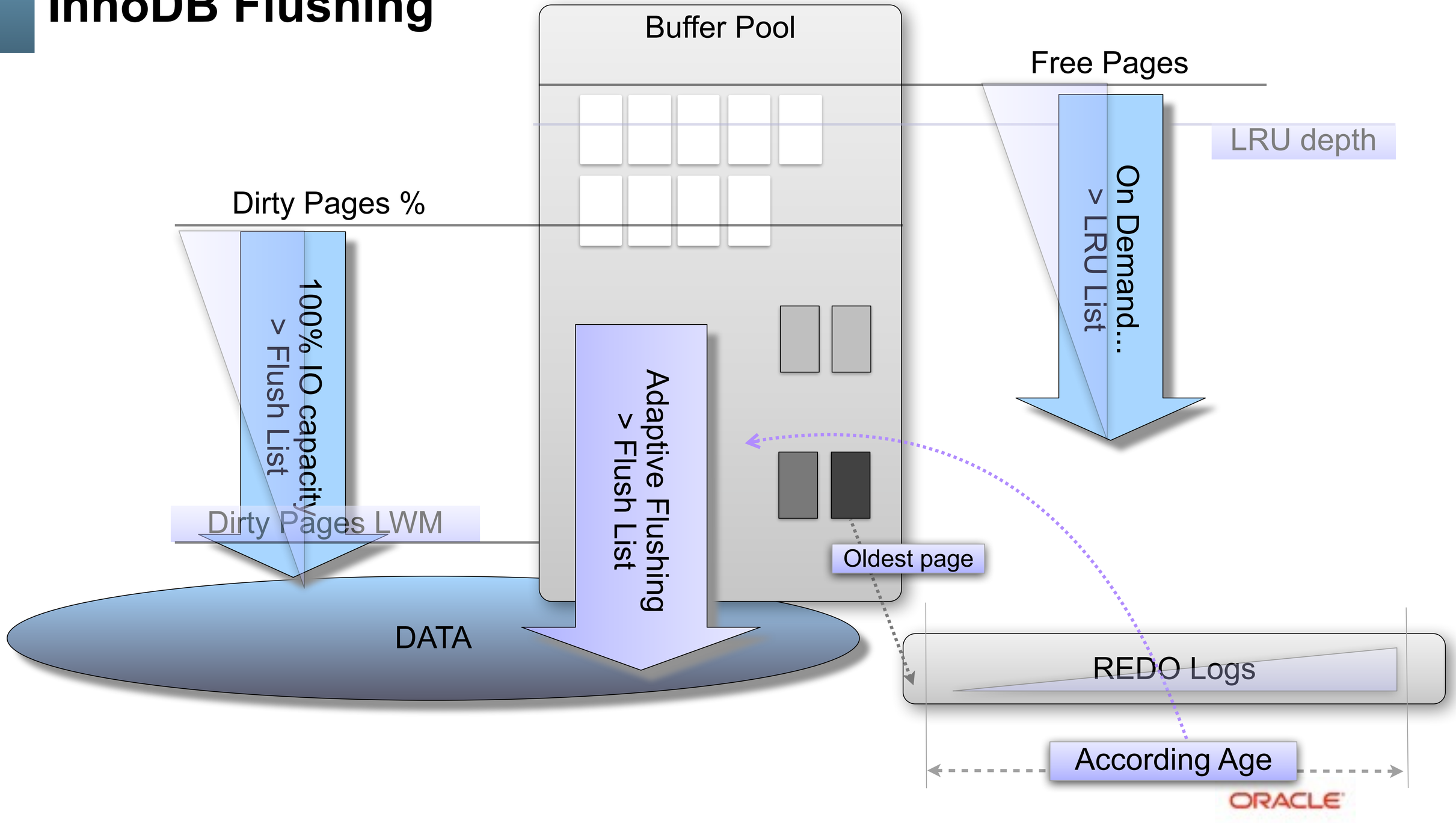
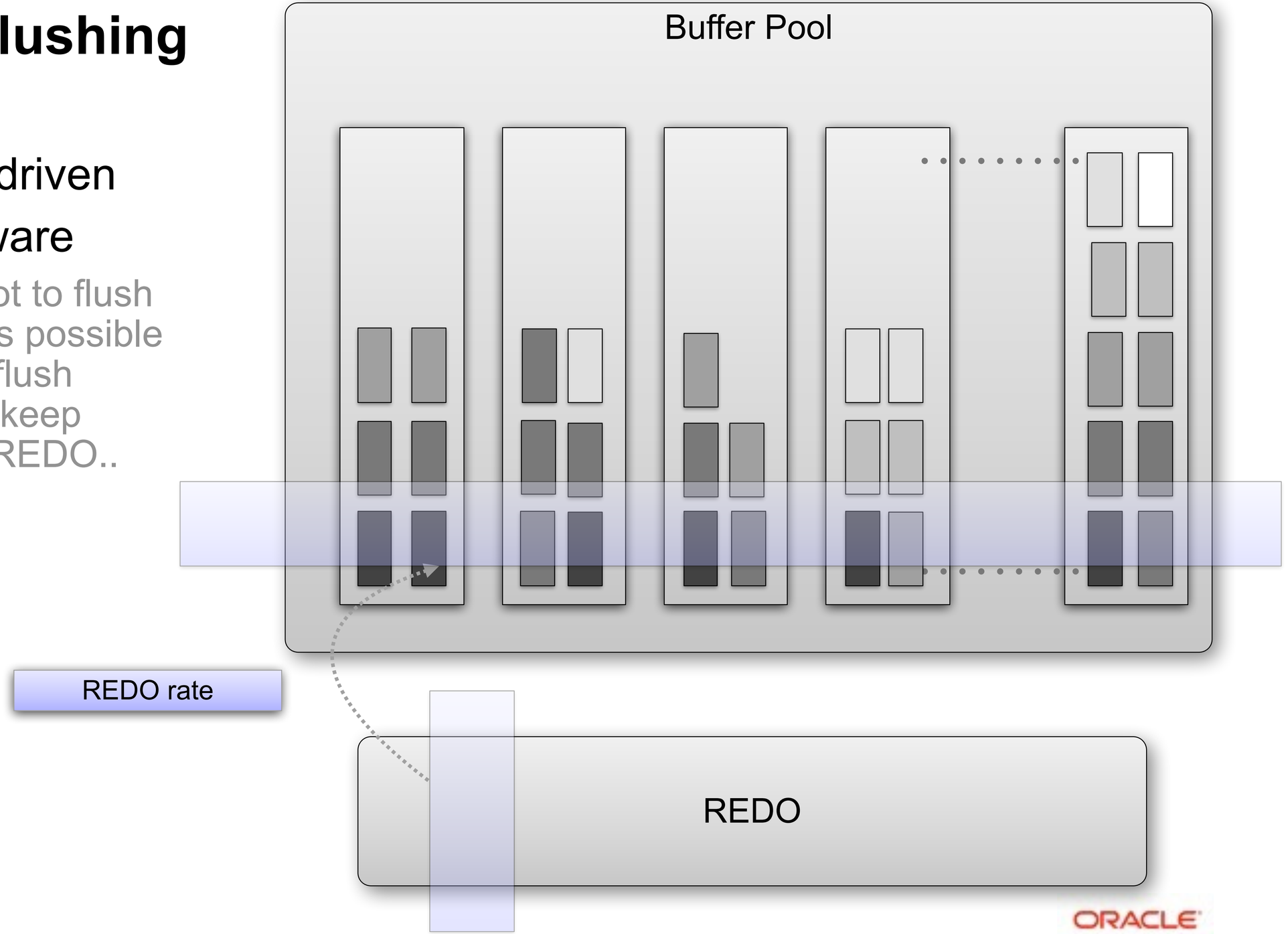


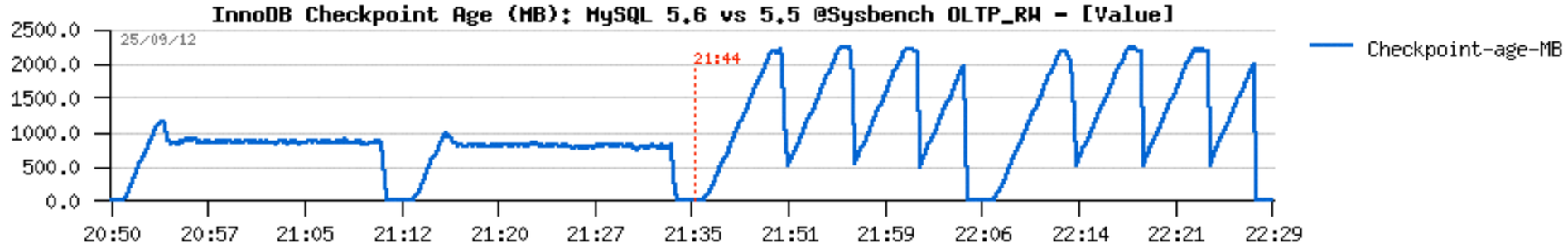
InnoDB Flushing

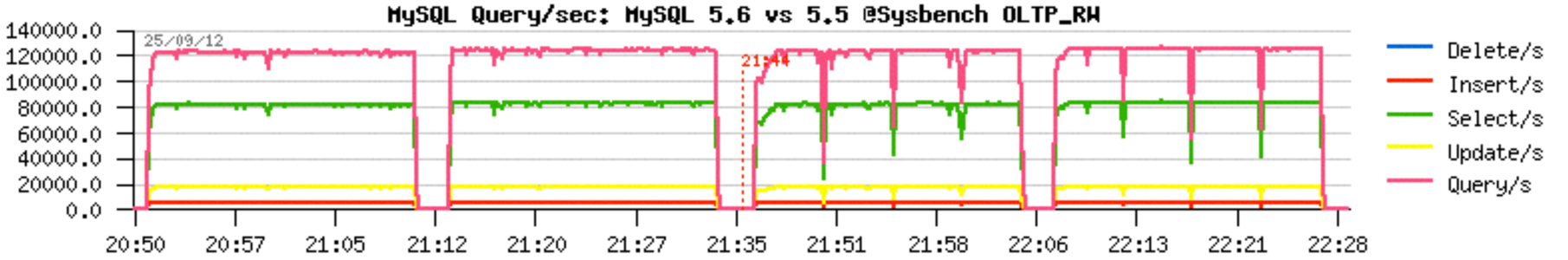
- REDO rate driven
- LSN Age aware
  - the goal is not to flush as much as possible but rather flush enough to keep a room in REDO..



Adaptive Flushing: MySQL 5.6 vs 5.5

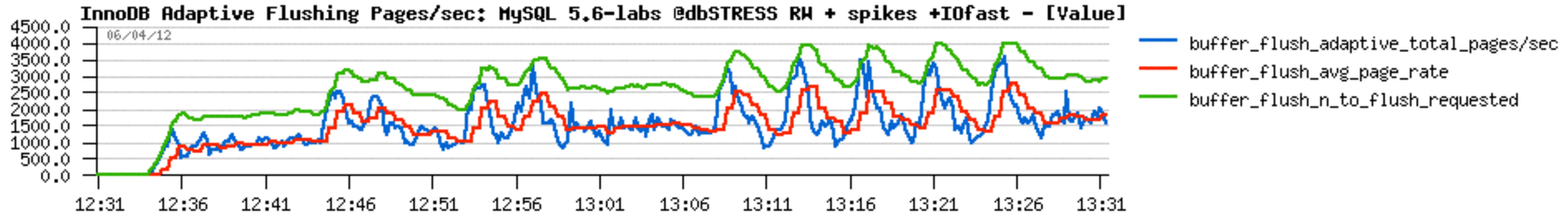
- OLTP_RW Workload:
  - Same IO capacity
  - Different logic..

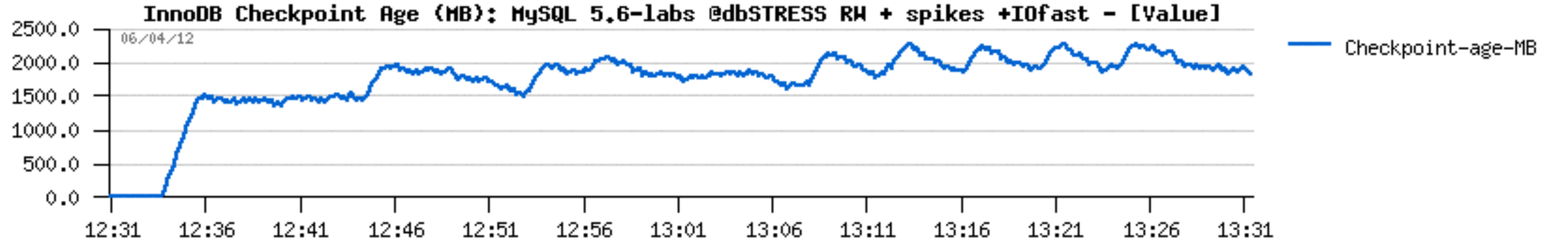


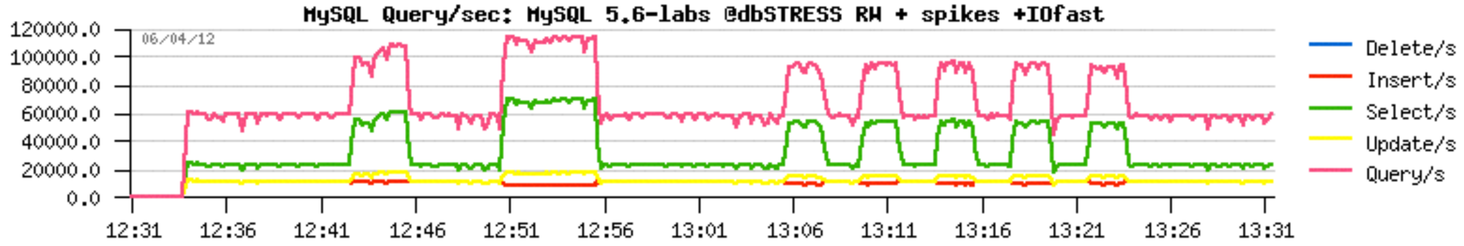


InnoDB : Resisting to activity spikes in 5.6

- dbSTRESS RW with spikes
  - having a big enough Checkpoint Age marge allowing to resist to spikes







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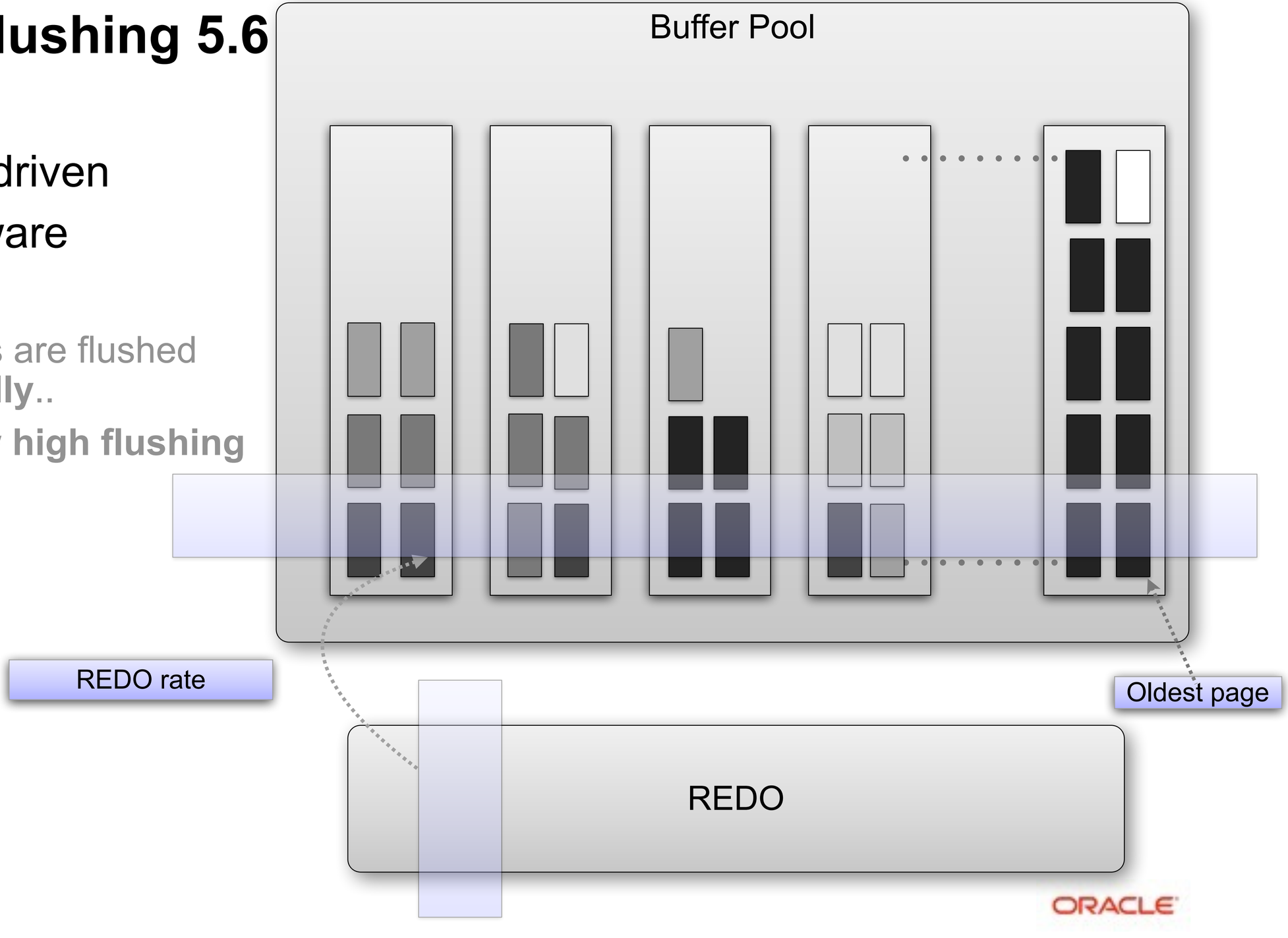
RW IO-bound “In-Memory”

- Impact of the database size
  - with a growing db size the TPS rate may be only the same or worse ;-)
  - and required Flushing rate may only increase.. <= **need parallel flushing** !
- DBT2 workload :
  - 64 users, db volume: 50W, 100W, 250W, 500W

InnoDB Flushing 5.6

- REDO rate driven
- LSN Age aware
- 5.6 :
  - BP Instances are flushed **sequentially**..
  - cannot follow **high flushing** demand..



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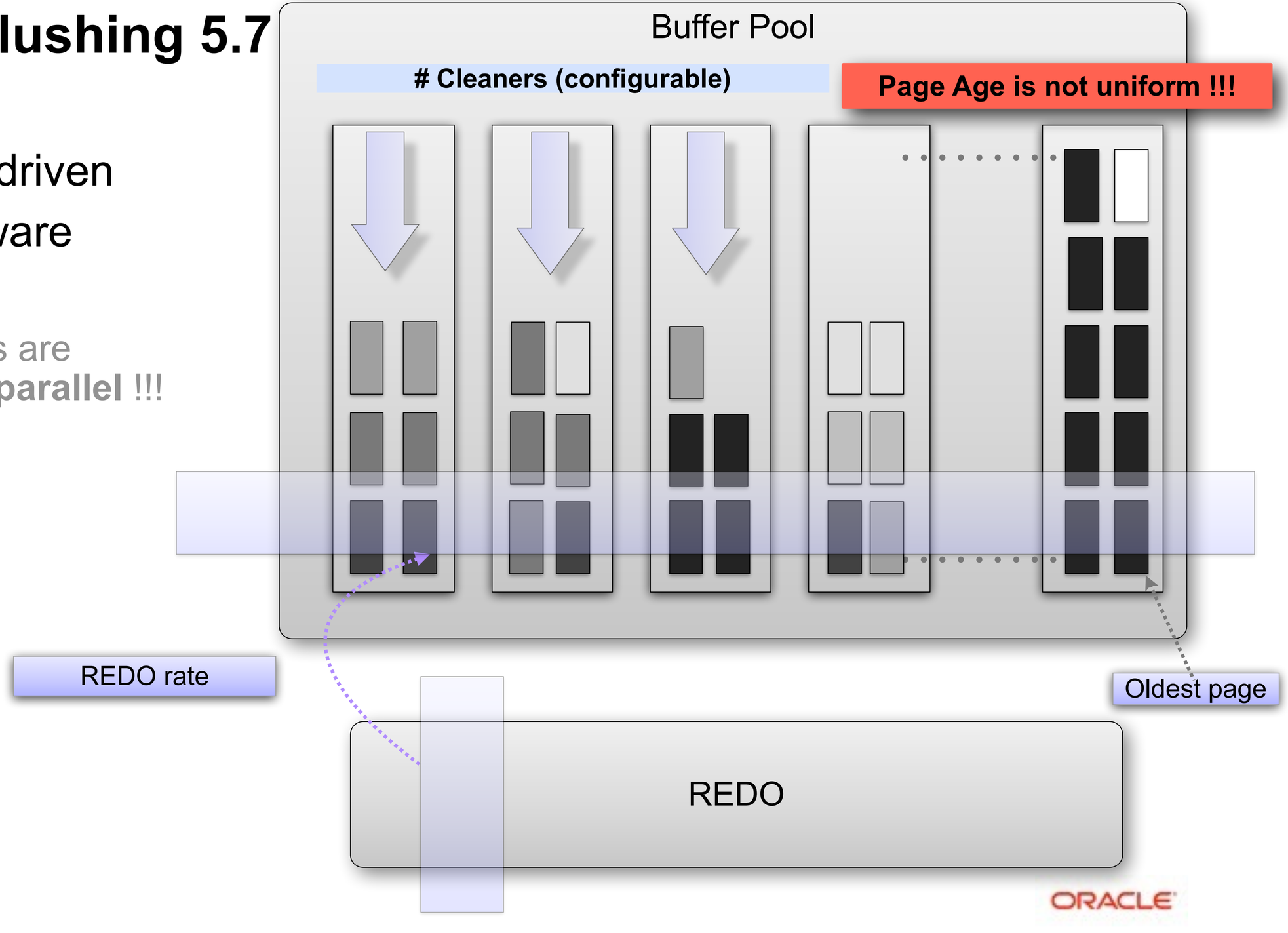

InnoDB Flushing 5.7

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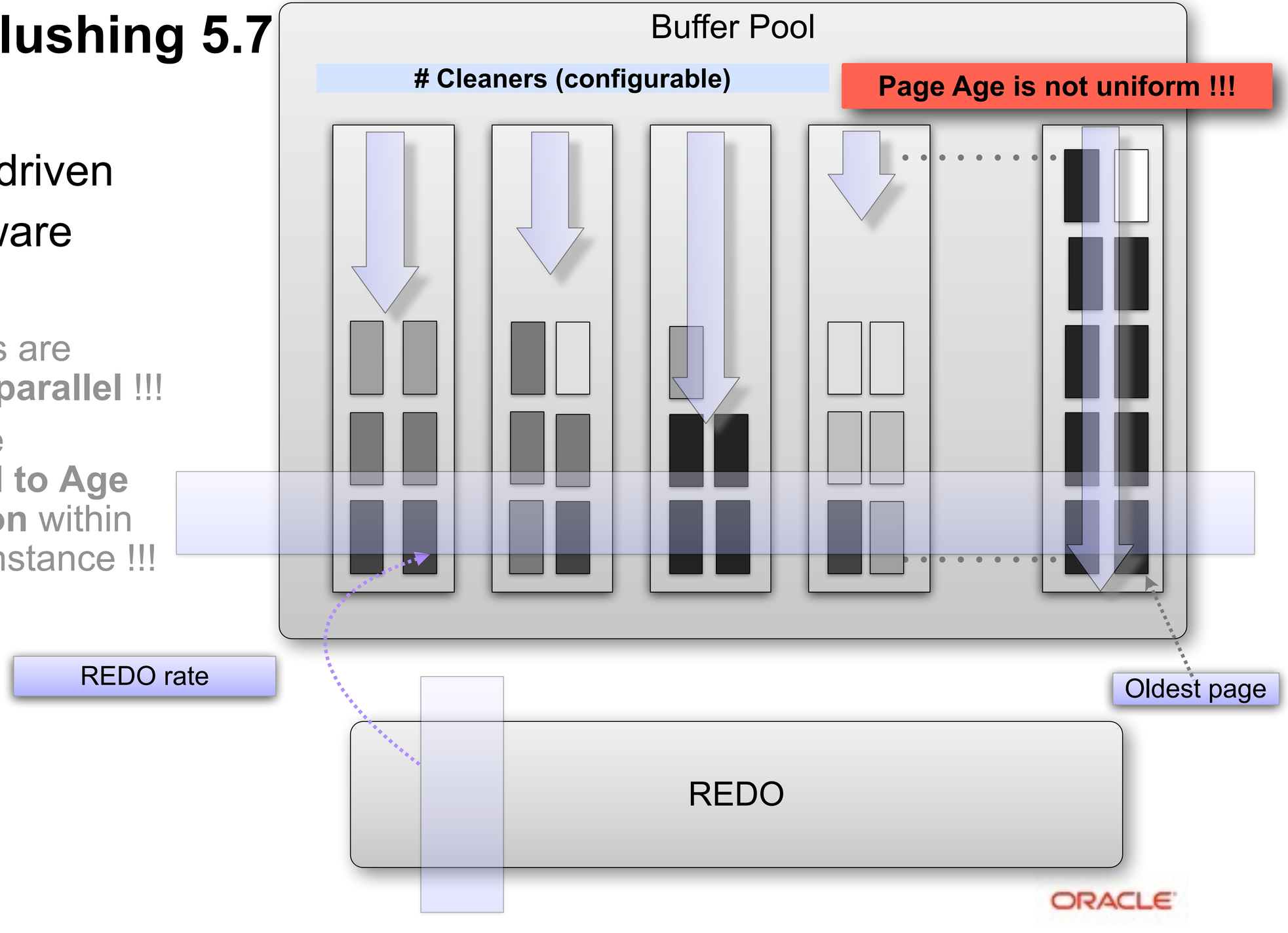
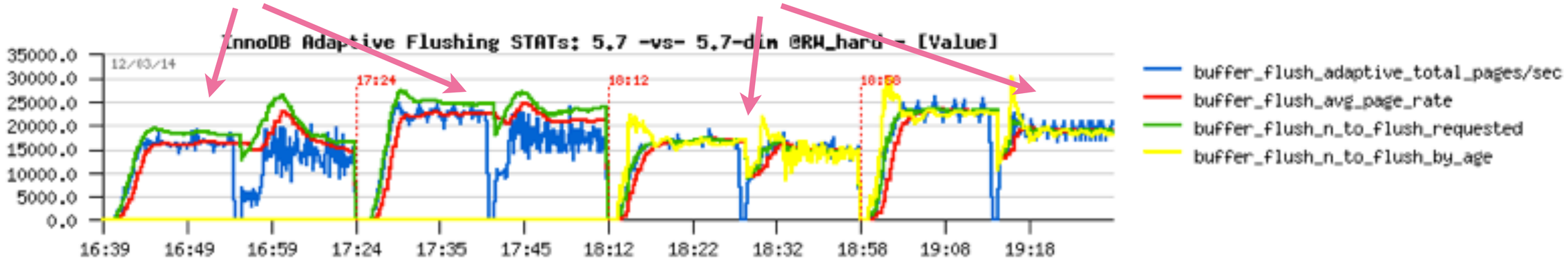
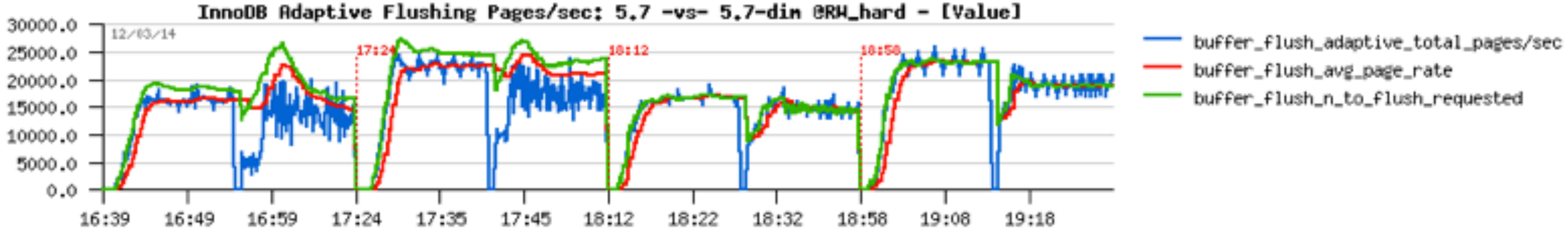
- 5.7 :
  - BP Instances are flushed in **parallel** !!!
  - Flushing rate is **adapted to Age distribution** within **each** BP instance !!!



InnoDB Flushing in 5.7

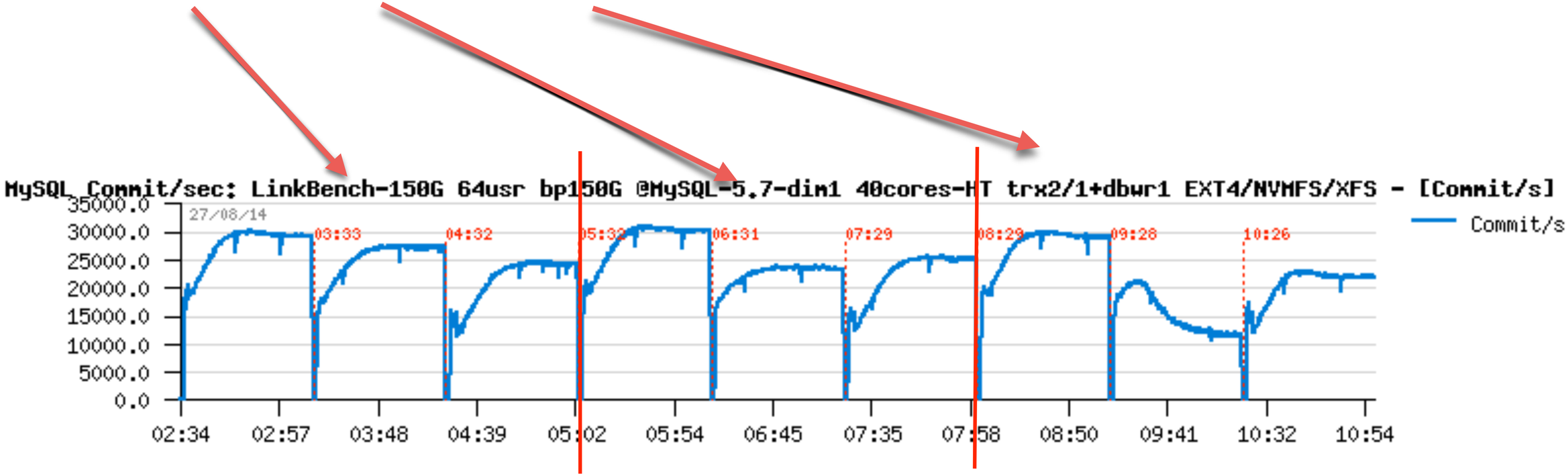
- Considering Age distribution :
  - Parallel Only -vs- Parallel + Age aware





RW IO-Bound : Test your Filesystem before to deploy

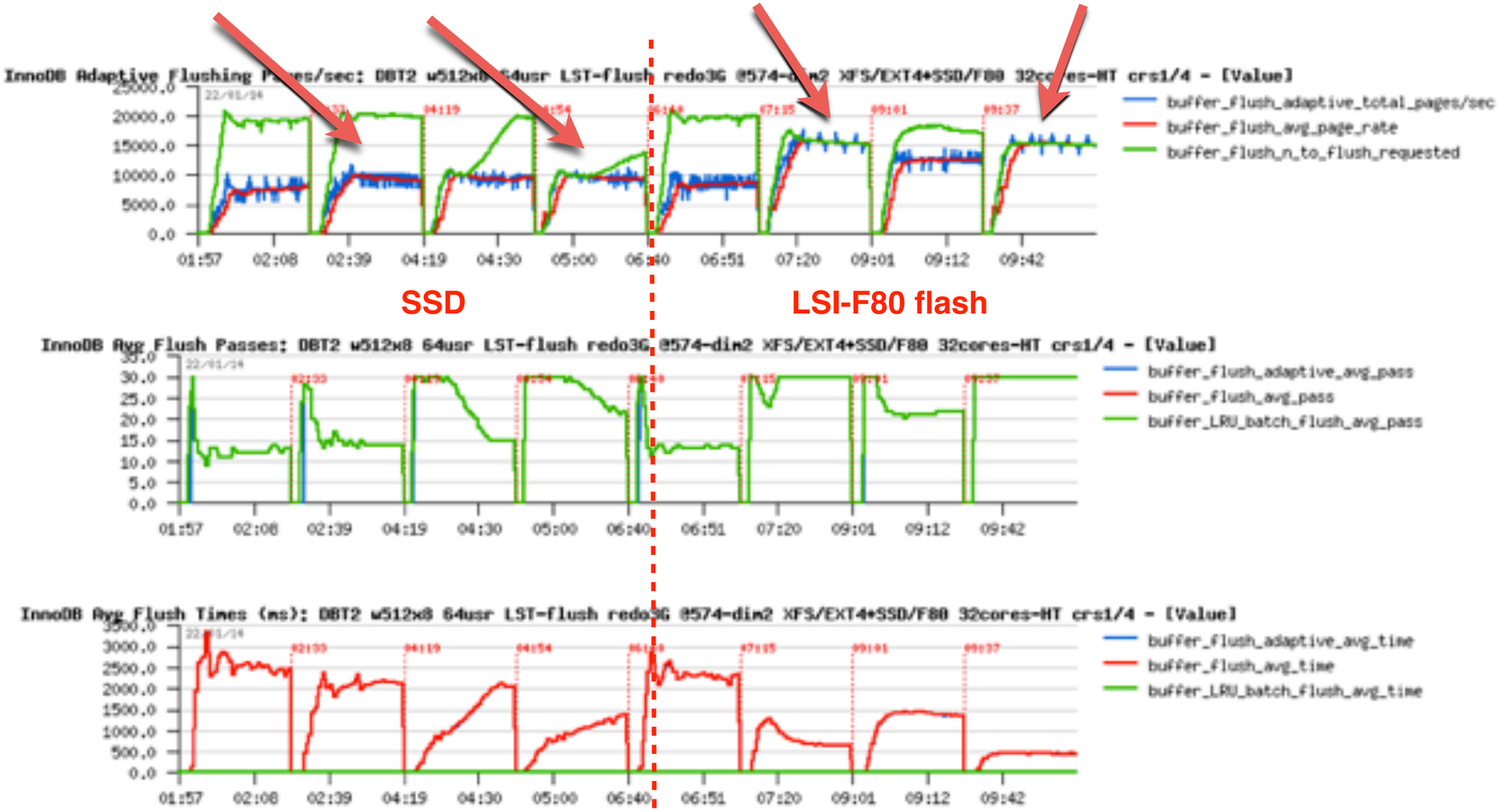
- LinkBench 150G workload
  - test cases : “safety” options on 64usr, Fusion-io
  - EXT4 -vs- NVMFS -vs- XFS



EXT4 NVMFS XFS

RW IO-Bound : Consider a fast storage

- InnoDB Flushing in MySQL 5.7 & storage:
  - DBT2 512Wx8, 64usr, each test first with 1 then with 4 cleaners
  - XFS@SSD | EXT4@SSD | XFS@LSI-F80 | EXT4@LSI-F80



Read+Write Workloads : InnoDB Purge

- InnoDB Purge...
  - 5.5 : Purge Thread !!! ;-)
  - 5.6 : Multi-Threaded Purge + fix for purge lag code !
  - 5.7 : UNDO space can be auto-dropped !!
    - monitor InnoDB History Length **ALWAYS !** ;-)
    - if NO purge lagging : excellent! (& be happy! ;-))
    - if purge is lagging : use a purge lag config setting.. (& wait for fix)
  - example of config for 5.6 and 5.7 to avoid purge lagging:
    - innodb_max_purge_lag = 1000000 (1M max, ex.)
    - innodb_max_purge_lag_delay = 30000000
    - innodb_purge_threads = 4

InnoDB : be sure your TPS is fair ;-)

- Purge lagging impact on IO-bound OLTP_RW 10Mx32-tab:
  - moving from 3200 to 4000 TPS... - cool, right? ;-) but not fair...

RW related starter configuration settings

- my.conf :

```
innodb_file_per_table
innodb_log_file_size=1024M
innodb_log_files_in_group=3 / 12 / ...
innodb_checksum_algorithm= none / crc32
innodb_doublewrite= 0 / 1
innodb_flush_log_at_trx_commit= 2 / 1
innodb_flush_method=O_DIRECT
innodb_use_native_aio=1
innodb_adaptive_hash_index=0

innodb_adaptive_flushing = 1
innodb_flush_neighbors = 0
innodb_read_io_threads = 16
innodb_write_io_threads = 16
innodb_io_capacity=15000
innodb_max_dirty_pages_pct=90
innodb_max_dirty_pages_pct_lwm=10
innodb_lru_scan_depth=4000
innodb_page_cleaners=4

innodb_purge_threads=4
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binlog ??
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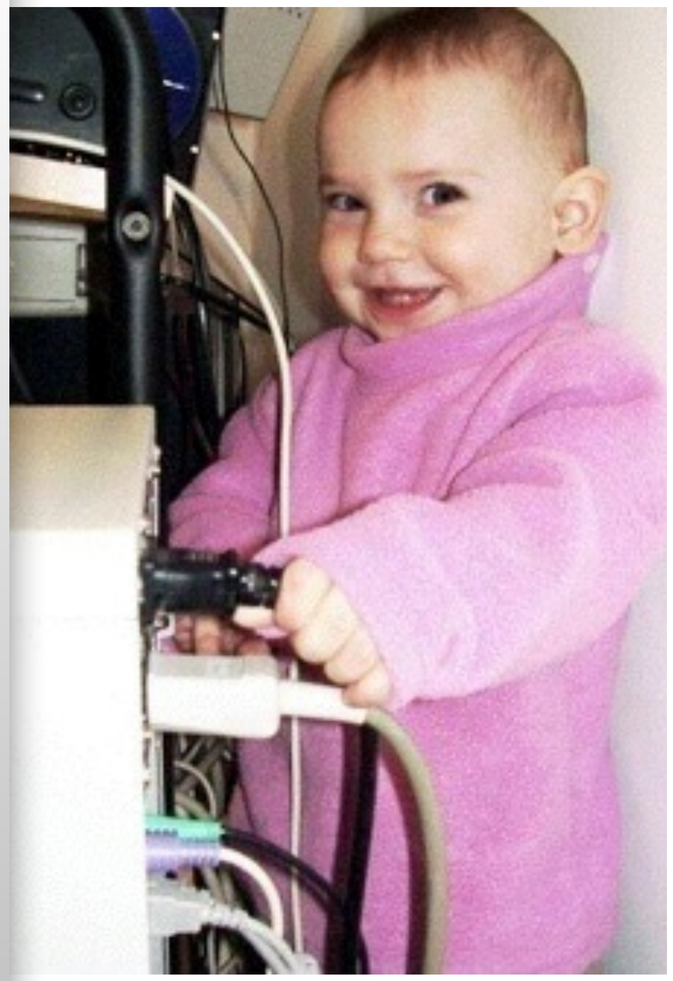

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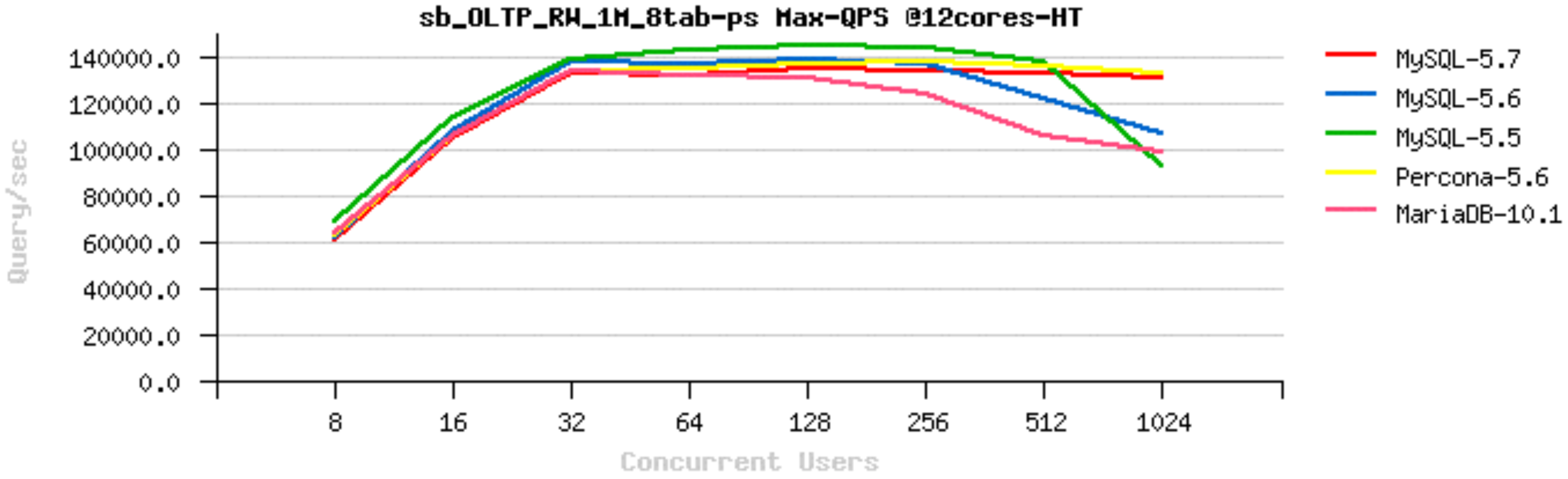

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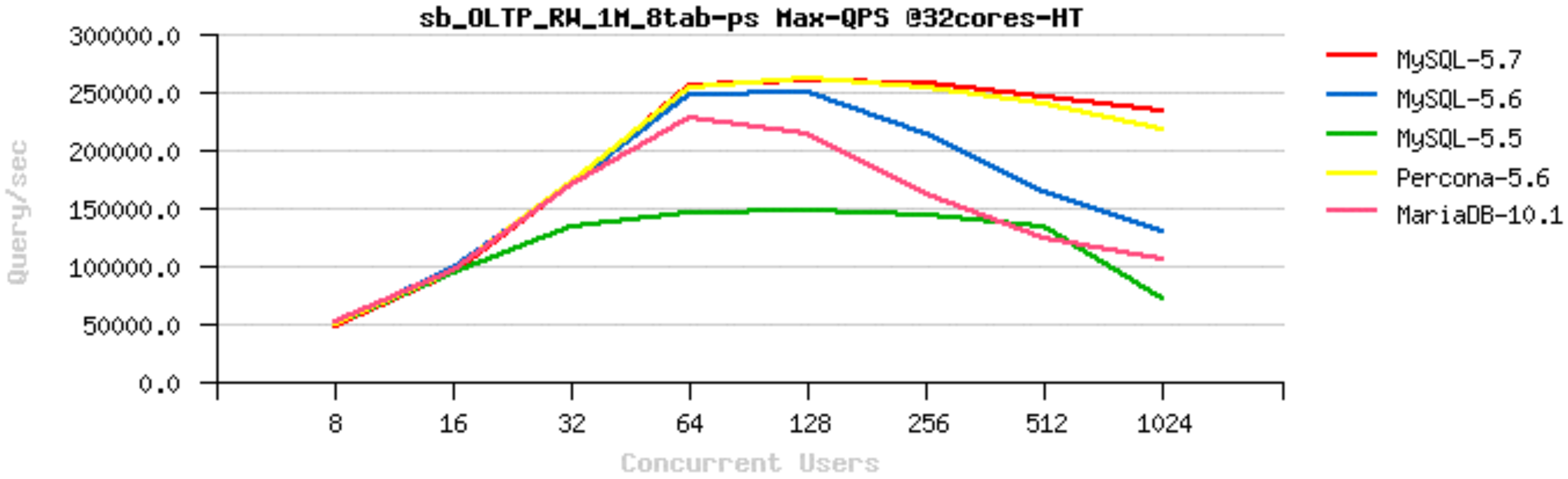

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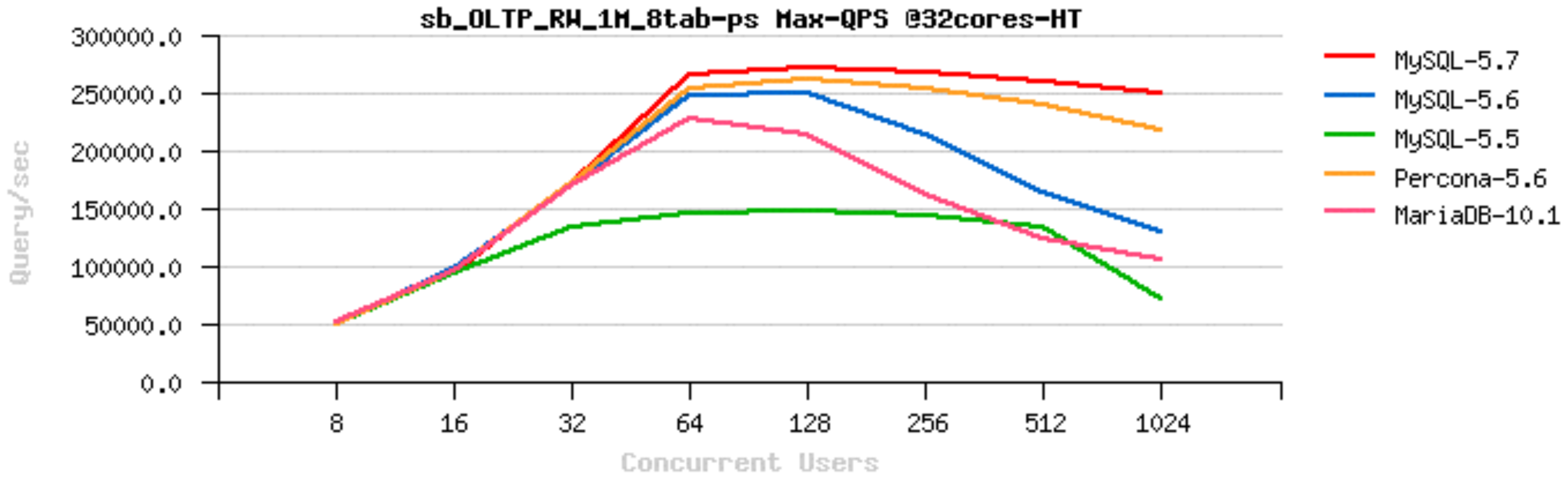

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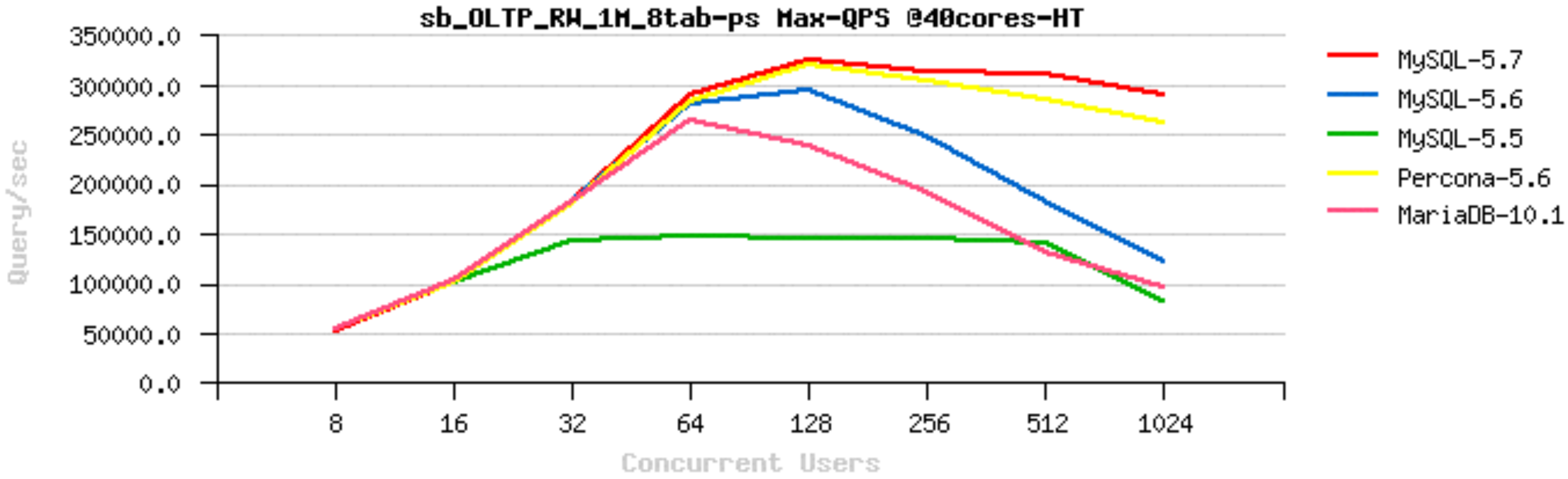

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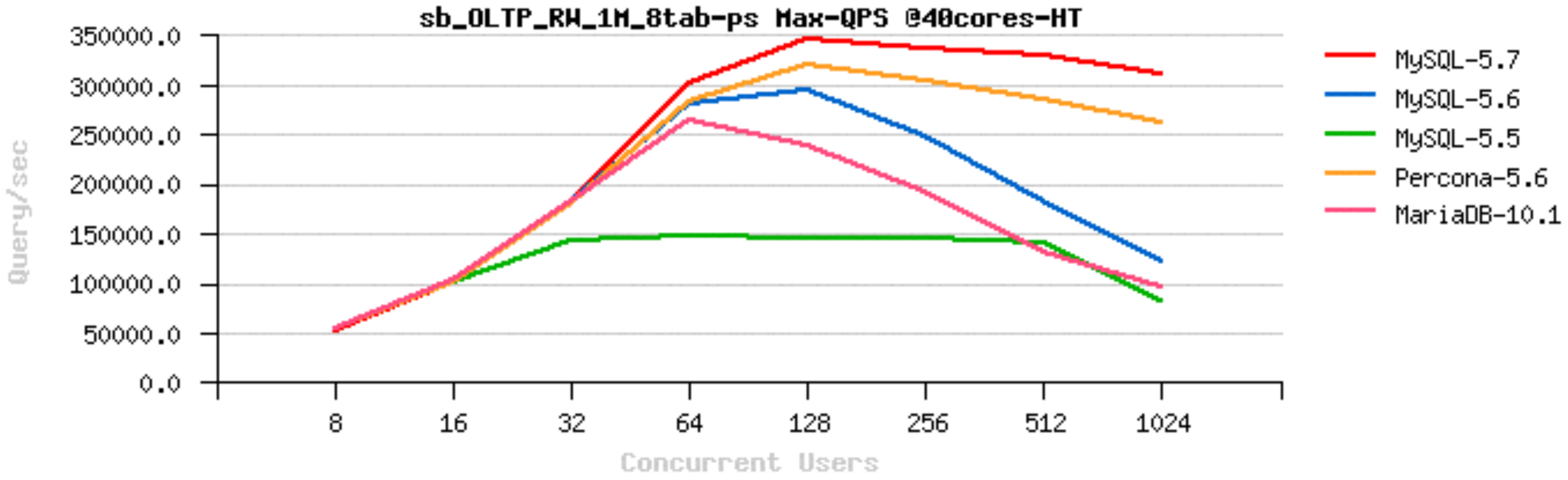

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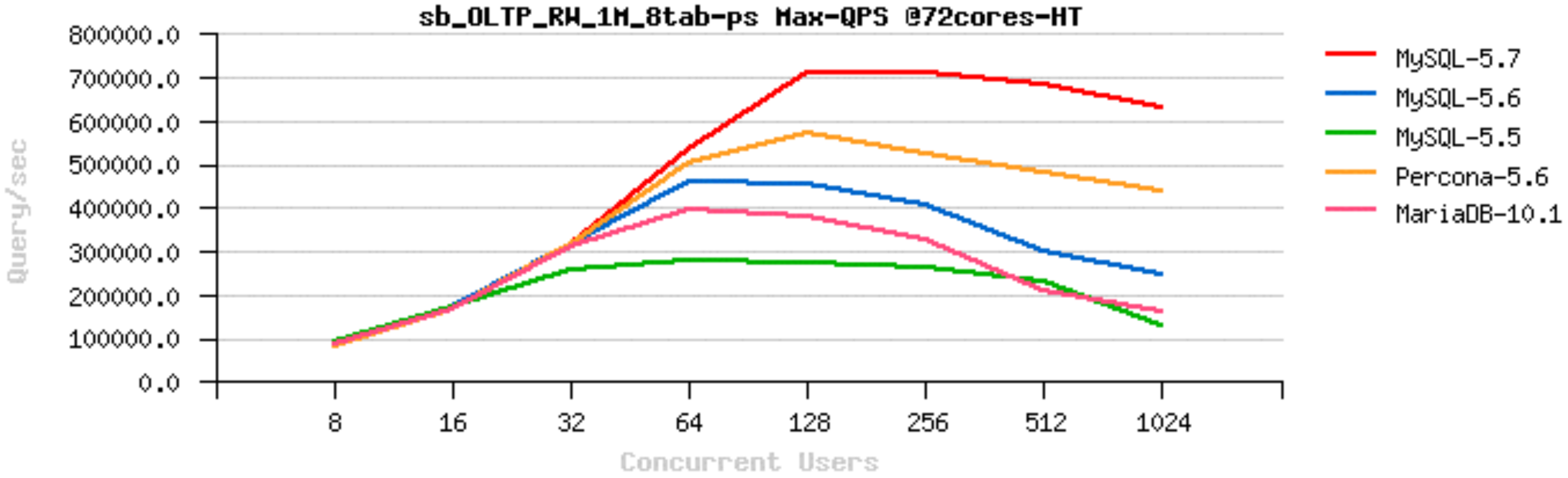

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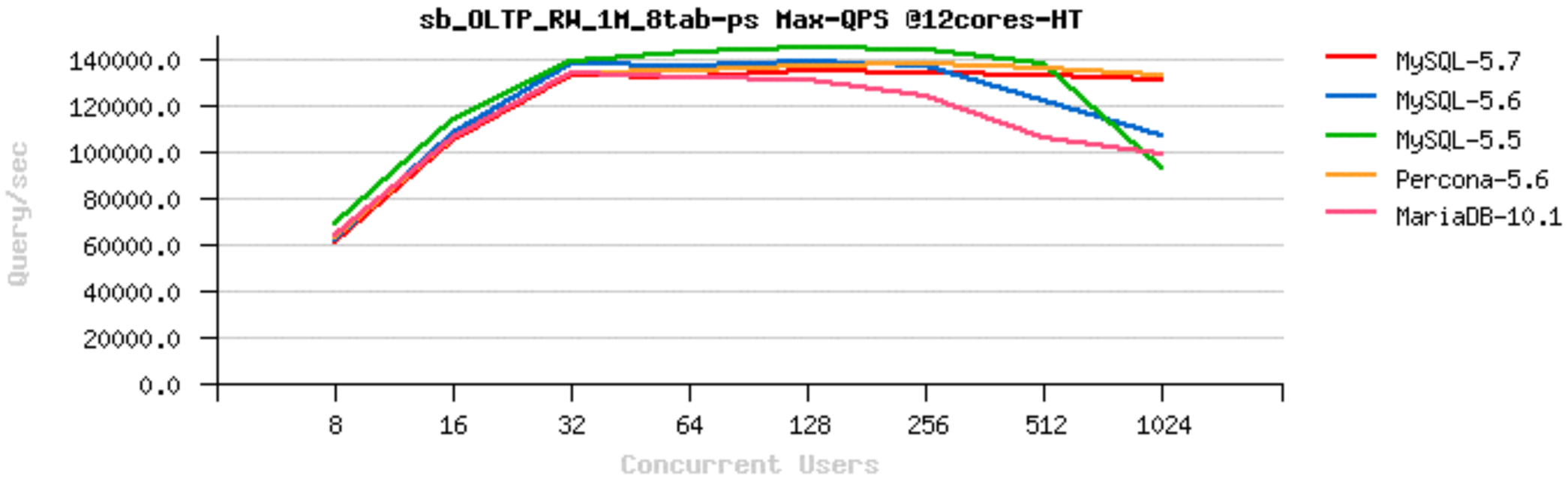

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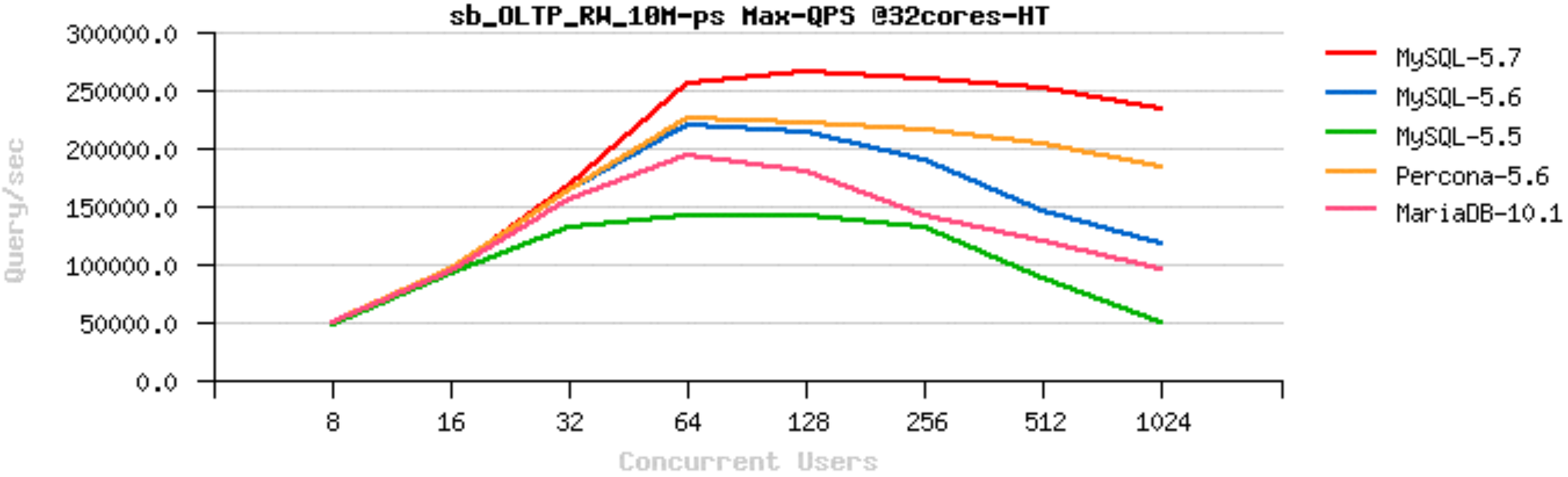

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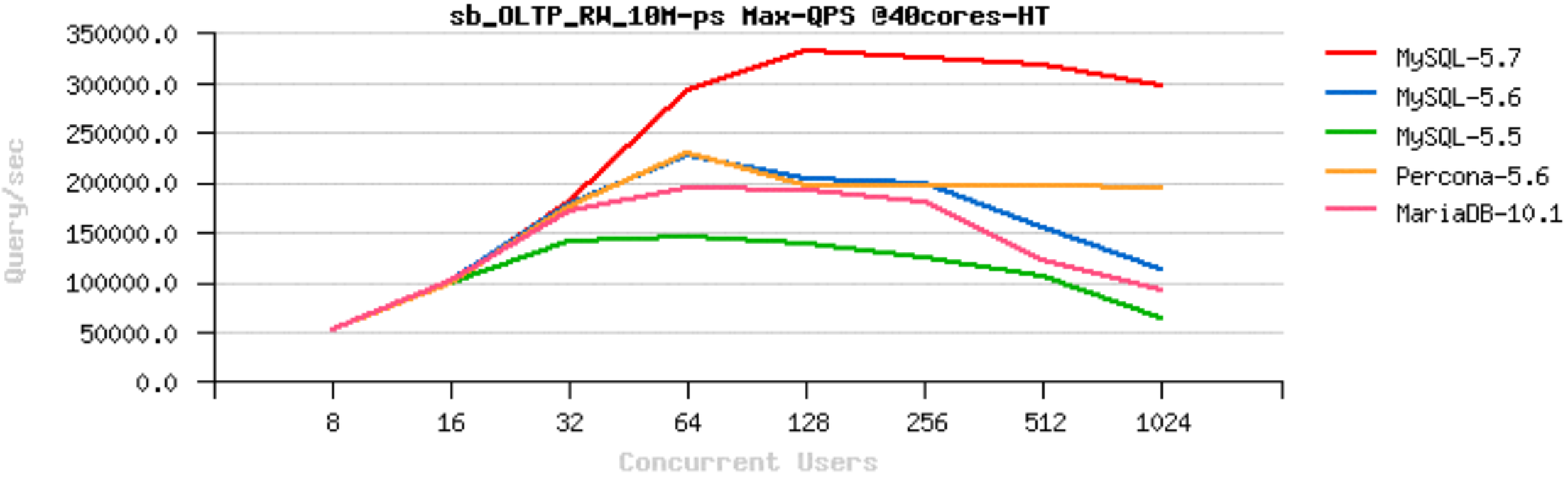

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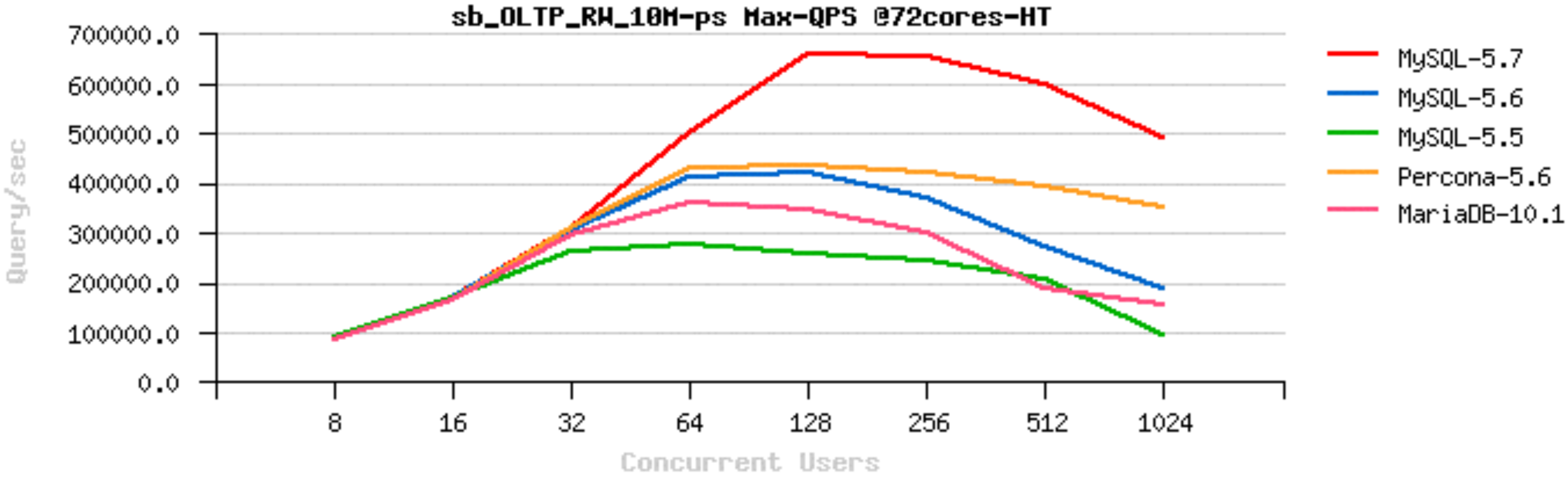


RW Scalability Limits and Problems

- Show-stoppers :
  - REDO log (log_sys contention) : need a re-design..
  - trx_sys, lock_sys — blocking contentions after log_sys..
  - DBLWR Buffer (not IO, but its internal locking) : need a full re-write..
  - fil_sys mutex is limiting I/O operations rate..
- Pending problems :
  - InnoDB Purge may be lagging : need UNDO & co. re-design..
    - workaround : tune max lag to not let History Length growing by write throttling
    - 5.7 : allocated UNDO space can be truncated !! (free your disk space)
  - huge impact of writes on reads
  - IO layers are needing yet more instrumentation / observability
  - AIO needs more control / tunable(s)
  - AHI re-design
  - go yet more far with Adaptive Flushing
  - etc. etc. etc…

InnoDB Compression

- Old compression :
  - compressing / uncompressing too often in RAM (CPU time)
  - the code maintenance becomes a true headache..
  - compressed and uncompressed page images are often living in memory much longer than expected (so, using even more memory than “normal” pages)..
- New “punch holes” compression :
  - doing it inn better way (compression is going on the IO level only)
  - so, same or better compression
  - but **way better performance** !! ;-)
  - works really well on Fusion-io NVMFS
  - seems to work well on EXT4
  - XFS seems to be buggy on punch holes support
- Side note : native FS compression comes in the game too

INSERT Performance

- B-Tree impact + InnoDB data compactness..
  - over a time of INSERTS, B-Tree is growing & growing..
  - at some moment it'll be out of memory..
  - this will involve IO re-reads (mostly IO RR !!)
  - which will slowdown an overall performance..
- Workaround(s)
  - size a bigger memory for InnoDB Buffer Pool (BP)
  - use partitions :
    - this will keep an overall BTree(s) smaller
    - once you filled up a partition and switching INSERTs to the next one, the previous partition index data are no more required during INSERT, and BP will cache index pages mostly from the active partition..
- MySQL 5.8 : stay tuned ;-)

UPDATE Performance

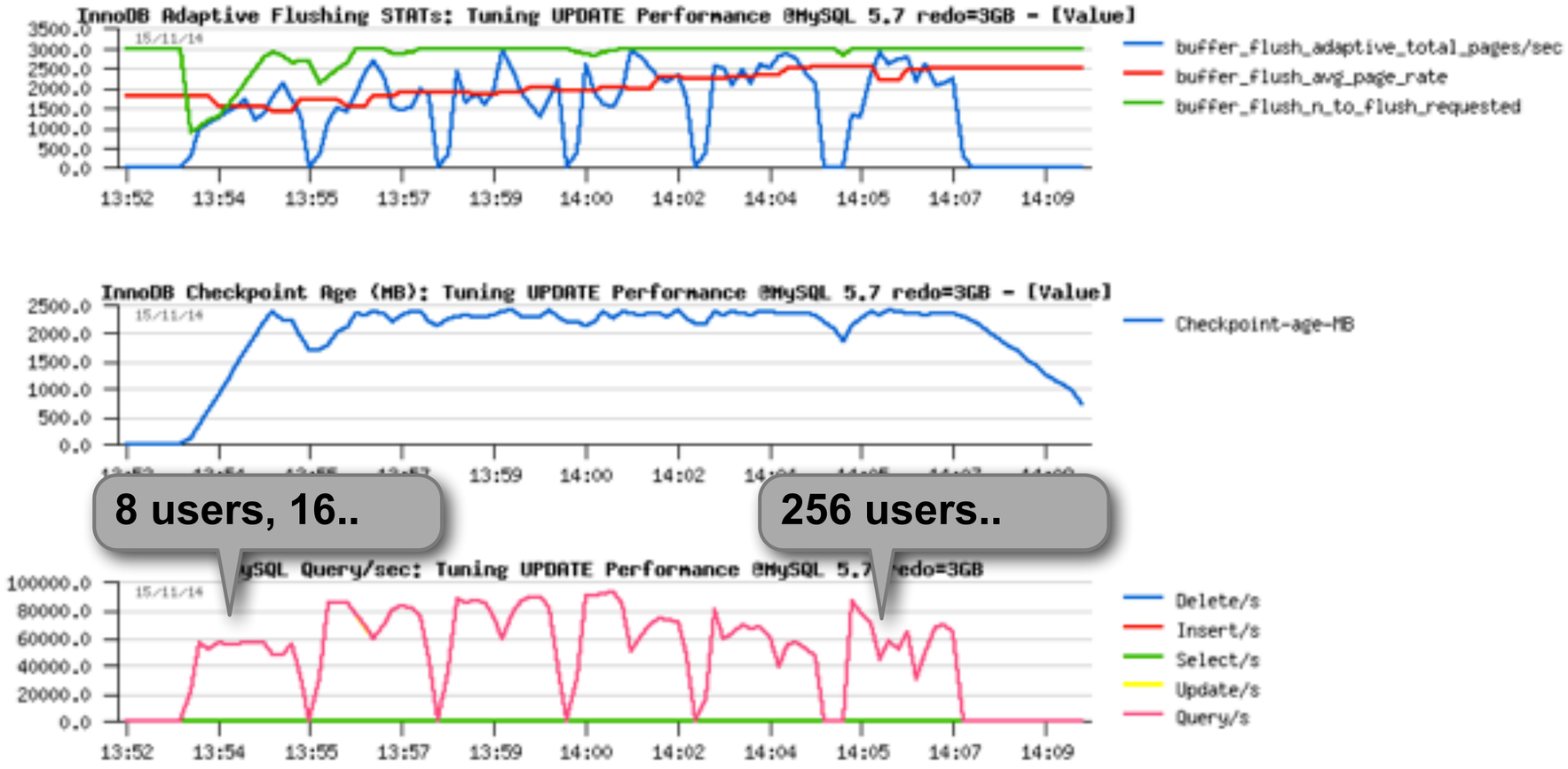
- Low load : slower than in MySQL 5.6
  - pure overhead in many functions due code changes..
- Higher load : much better than in MySQL 5.6
  - so, have to manage to do more and more stuff in parallel !!
  - and this is a general tendency…

Test Case: Tuning UPDATE Performance

- Test conditions :
  - Workload : Sysbench UPDATE
  - CPU config : 12cores-HT
  - IO subsystem : EXT4 on SSD
  - Users : 8, 16, 32 .. 256

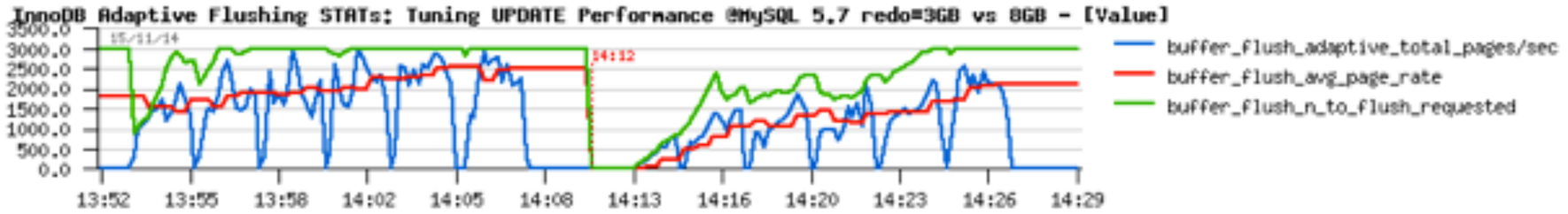
Test Case: Tuning UPDATE Performance (2)

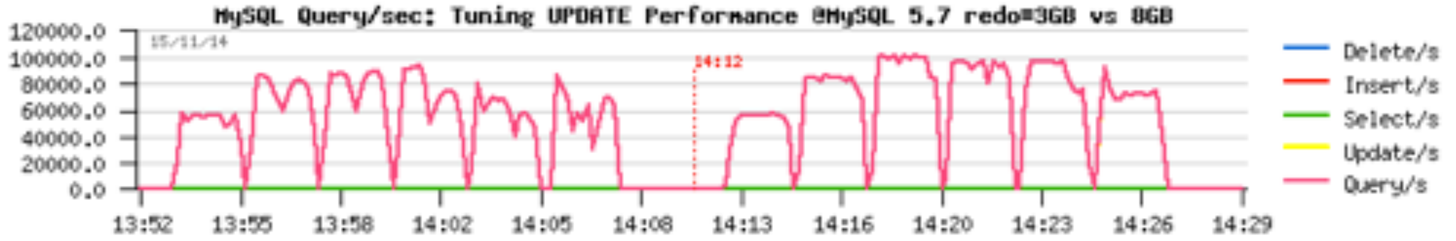
- Tuning :
  - starting with REDO size=3GB, io capacity max=3000
  - Performance: looks poor..



Test Case: Tuning UPDATE Performance (3)

- Tuning :
  - moving to REDO size=8GB..
  - Performance: looks better, but still poor on a higher load..





Test Case: Tuning UPDATE Performance (4)

- Tuning :
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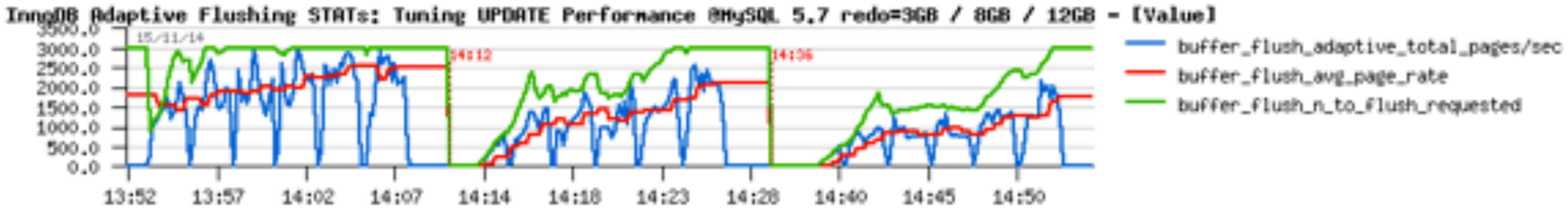
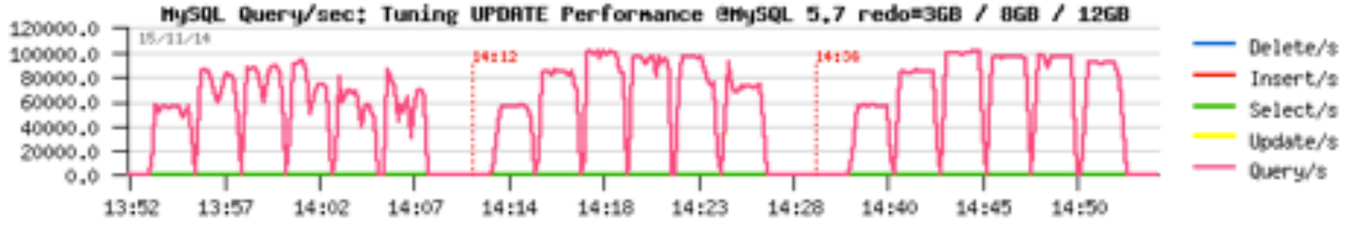
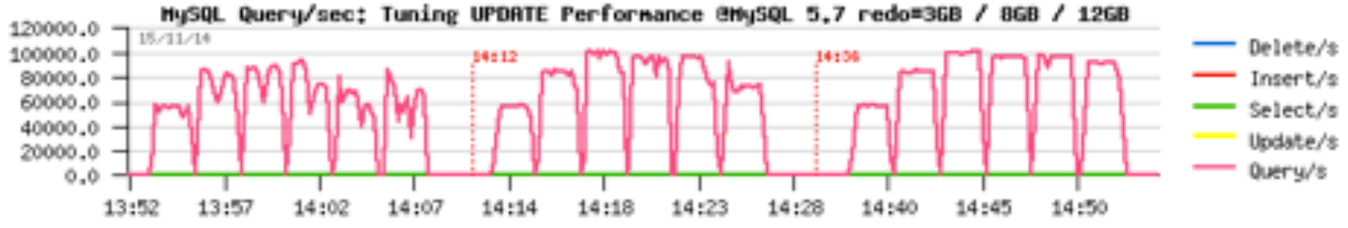
  - Performance: looks good, but Checkpoint Age continues to grow..





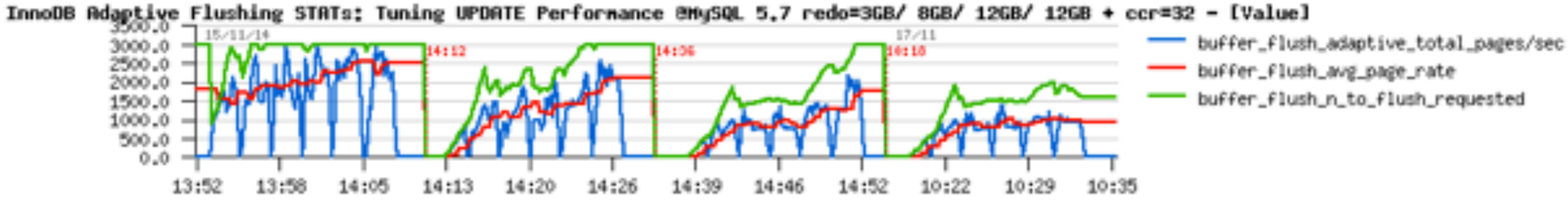
Test Case: Tuning UPDATE Performance (5)

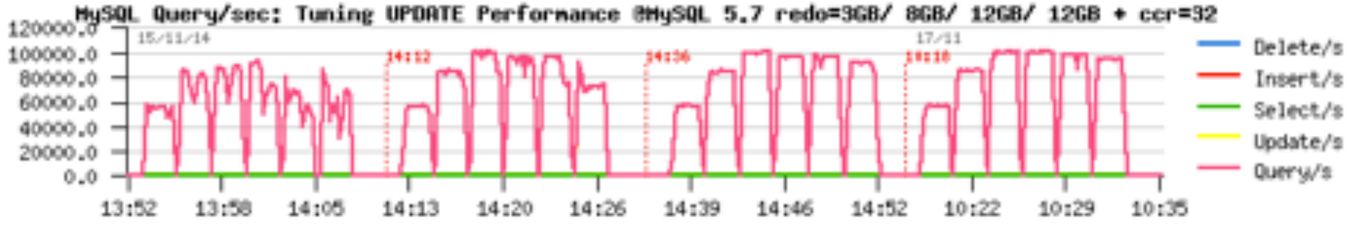
- Tuning :
  - moving to REDO size=12GB..
  - Performance: looks good, but Checkpoint Age continues to grow..
  - Analyze: up to 128 users all is going well..
  - So, we have to reduce the user's concurrency here



Test Case: Tuning UPDATE Performance (6)

- Tuning :
  - REDO size=12GB + innodb thread concurrency=32
  - Performance: just fine! ;-)





RW IO-bound

- Still data In-Memory, but much bigger volume :
  - more pages to flush for the **same** TPS rate
- Data bigger or much bigger than Memory / cache / BP :
  - the amount of free pages becomes short very quickly..
  - and instead of mostly IO writes only you’re starting to have IO reads too
  - these reads usually mostly random reads
  - if your storage is slow - reads will simply kill your TPS ;-)
  - if your storage can follow - once you’re hitting fil_sys mutex you’re done
  - as well LRU flushing may become very heavy..
- NOTE:
  - on Linux : using **AIO + O_DIRECT** seems to be the most optimal for RW IO-bound
  - but always check yourself ;-)

RW IO-bound “Out-of-Memory”

- The “entry” limit here is storage performance
  - as you’ll have a lot of IO reads..
- Once storage is no more an issue :
  - you may hit internal contentions (ex. InnoDB file_sys mutex)
  - or other engine design limitations..
  - sometimes a more optimal config settings may help..
  - but sometimes not ;-)

Analyzing DBT2-500W Workload @40cores-HT

- Mostly IO-bound (~100G database)
  - so, storage layer: Fusion-io flash, EXT4
- Test cases :
  - engines: Percona Server 5.6 / MySQL 5.7 / MariaDB 10.1
  - concurrent user sessions: 64, 256
  - Buffer Pool size: 8G (LRU-bound) / 96G (Flushing-bound)
  - LRU depth = 4000
  - IO capacity = 15000
  - IO_DIRECT_NO_FSYNC + native AIO
  - REDO log size = 3 x 1GB
  - InnoDB thread concurrency = 0 / 64
  - InnoDB spin wait delay = 6 / 96
  - …

DBT2-500W Workload @40cores-HT

- LRU-bound (BP=8G): Final Results
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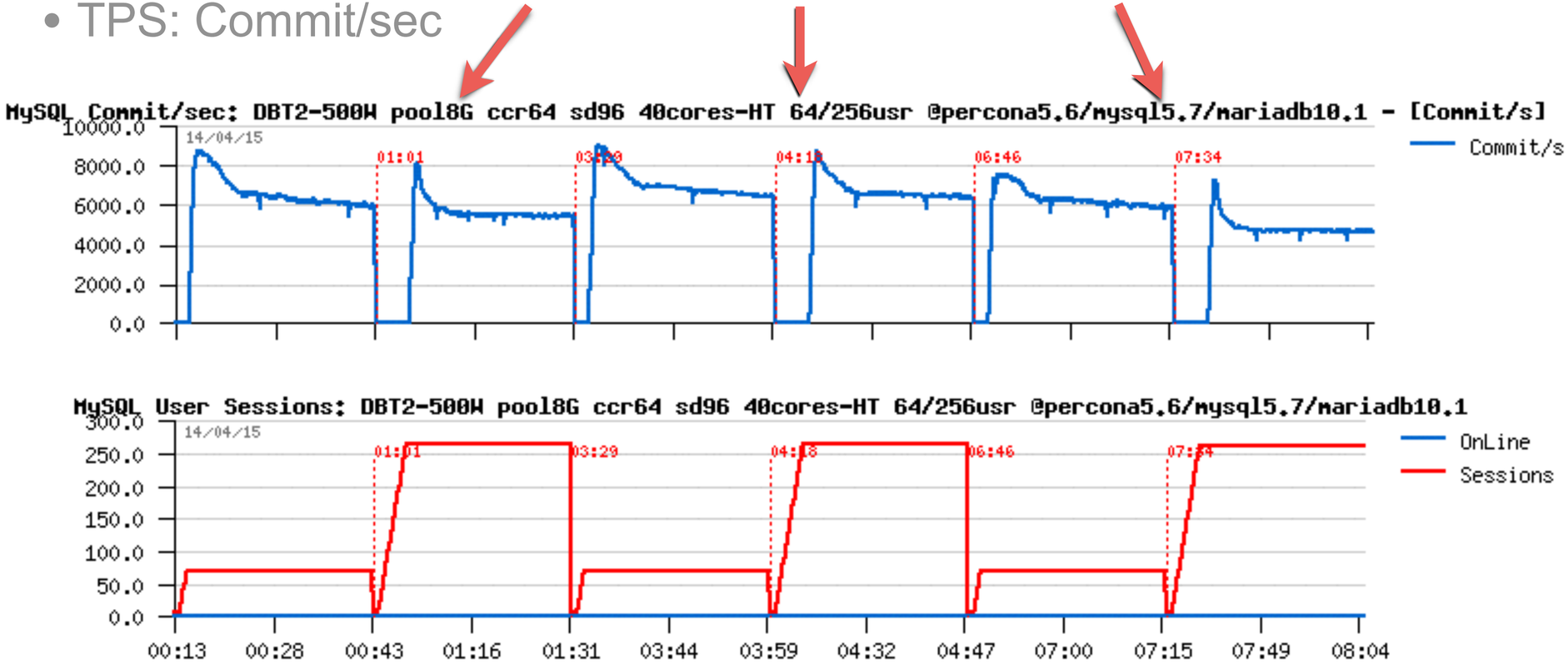

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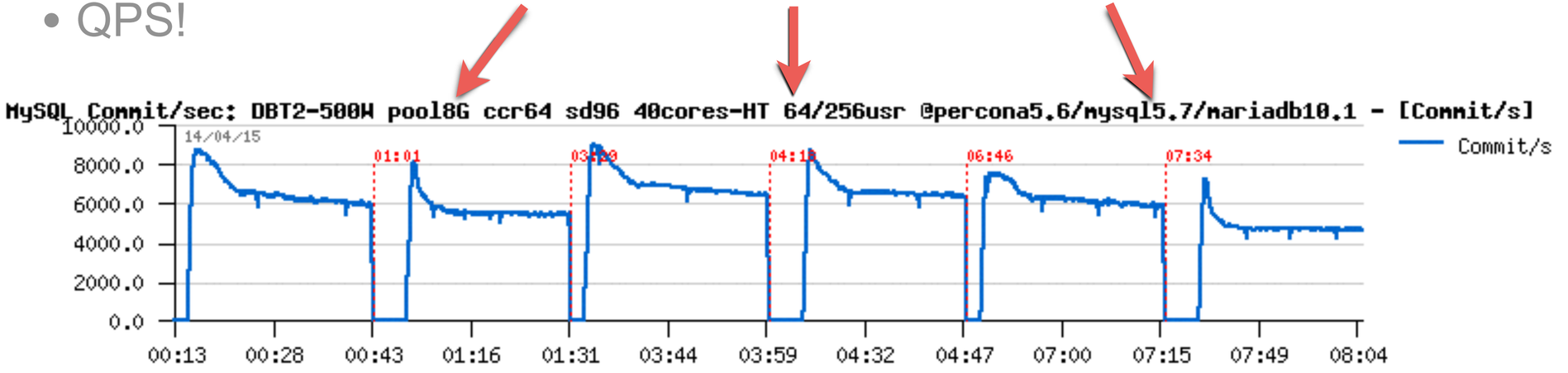

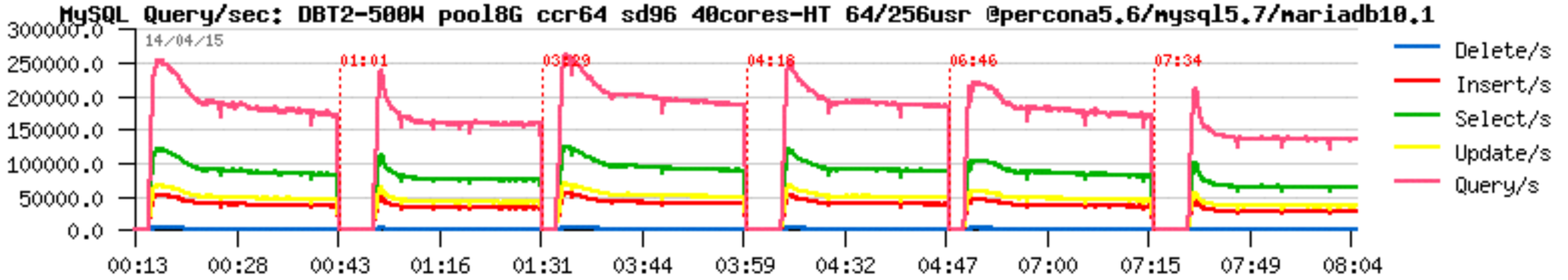

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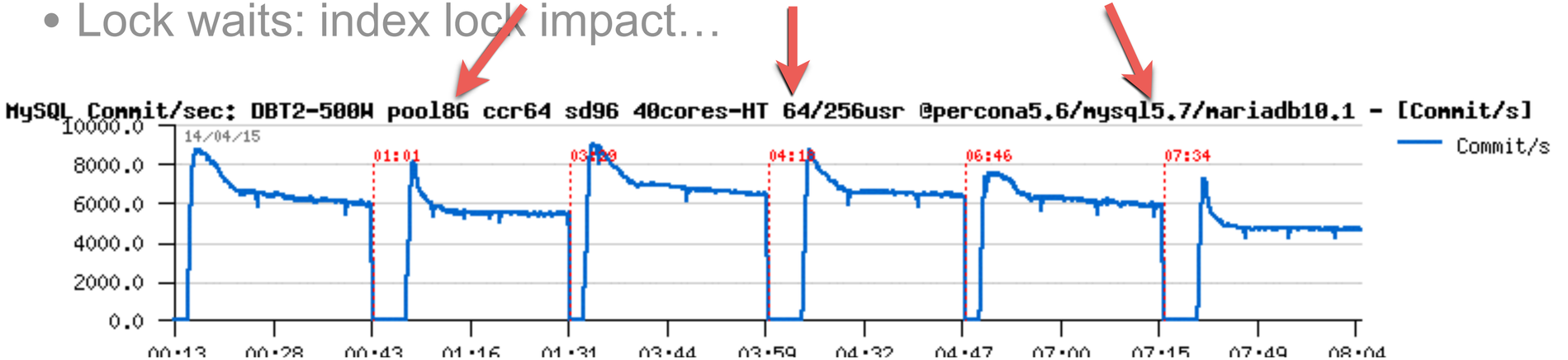
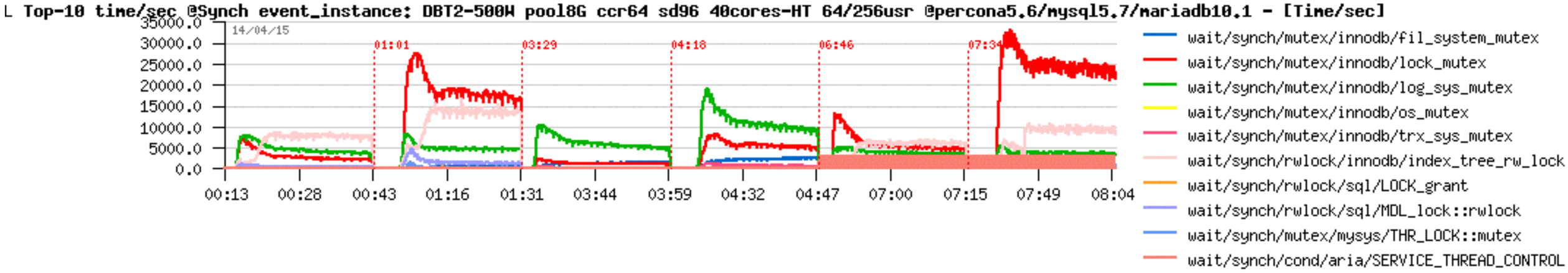
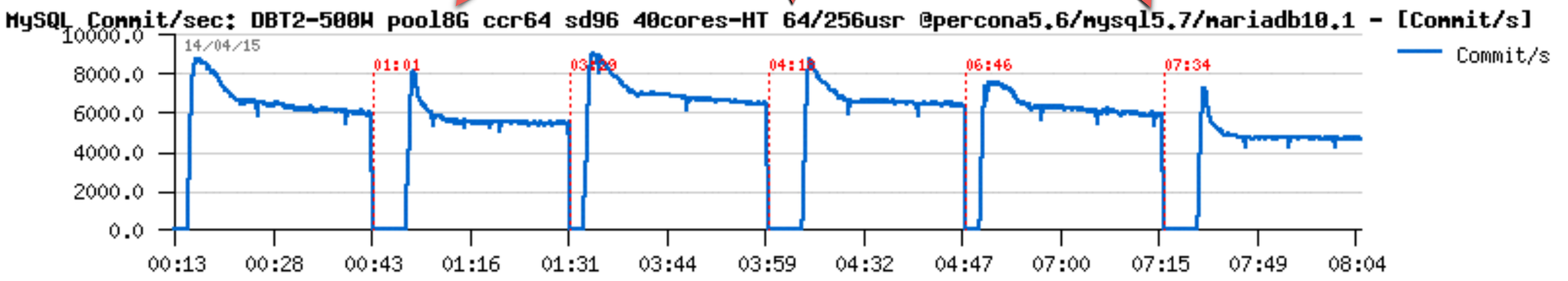
  - Lock waits: index lock impact…

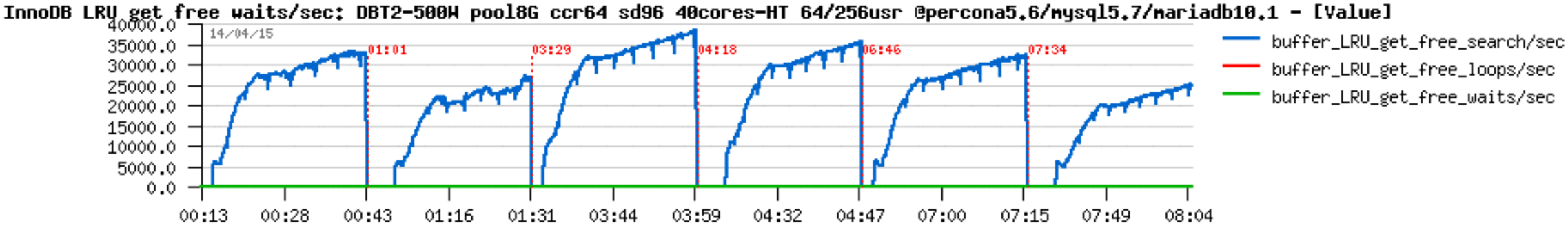




DBT2-500W Workload @40cores-HT

- LRU-bound (BP=8G): Final Results
  - engines: Percona Server 5.6 / MySQL 5.7 / MariaDB 10.1
  - up to 40K page reads/sec rate





DBT2-500W Workload @40cores-HT

- LRU-bound (BP=8G): Final Results
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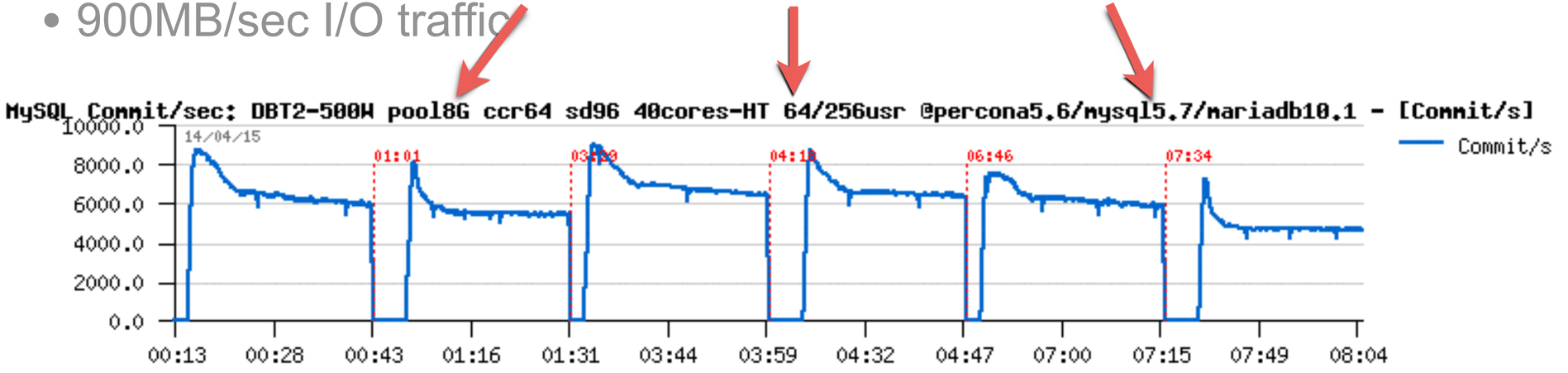
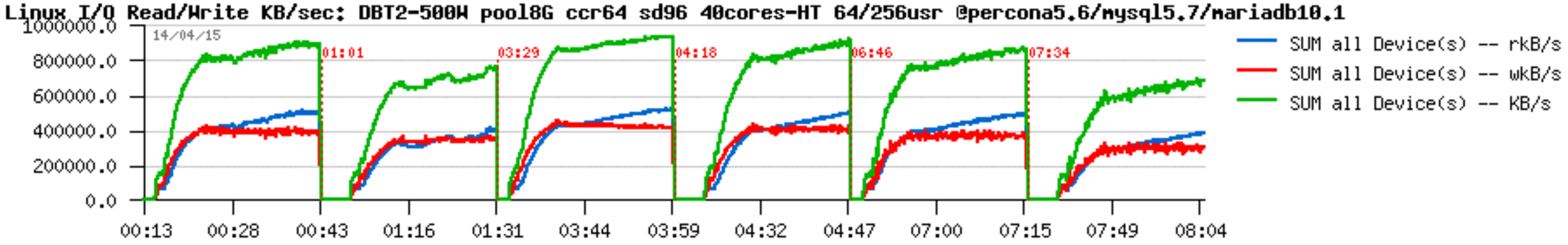
  - 900MB/sec I/O traffic





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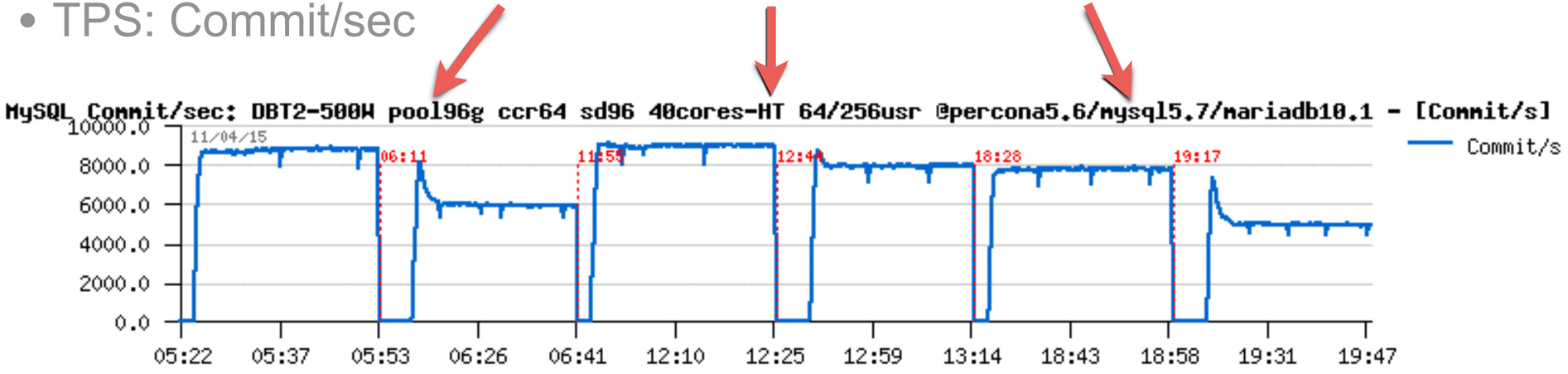
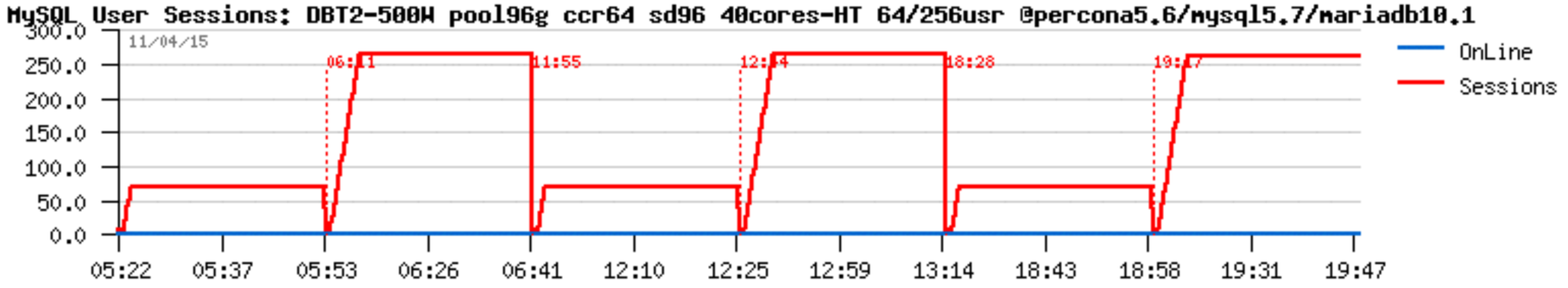
DBT2-500W Workload @40cores-HT

- Flushing-bound (BP=96G): Final Results
  - engines: Percona Server 5.6 / MySQL 5.7 / MariaDB 10.1
  - TPS: Commit/sec





DBT2-500W Workload @40cores-HT

- Flushing-bound (BP=96G): Final Results
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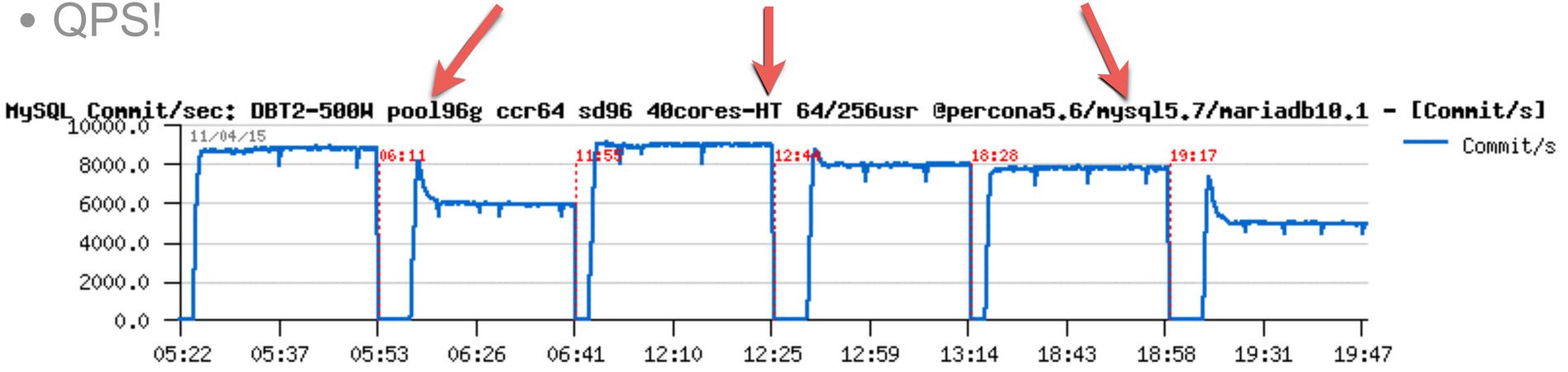
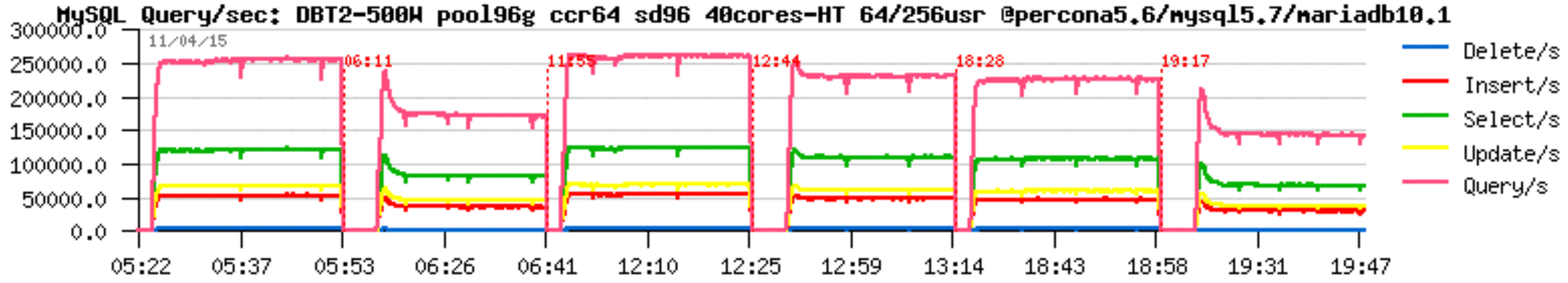
  - QPS!





DBT2-500W Workload @40cores-HT

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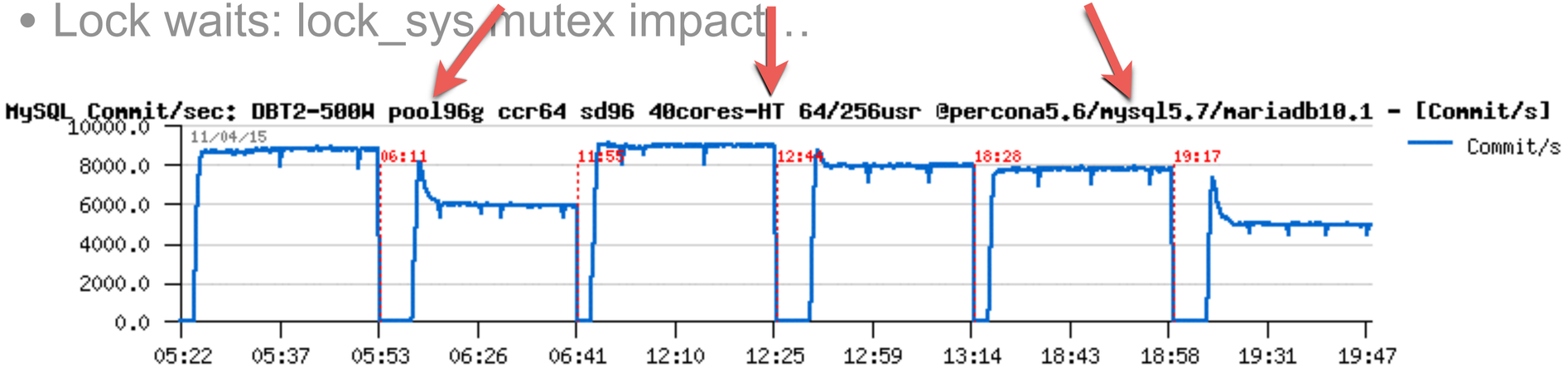
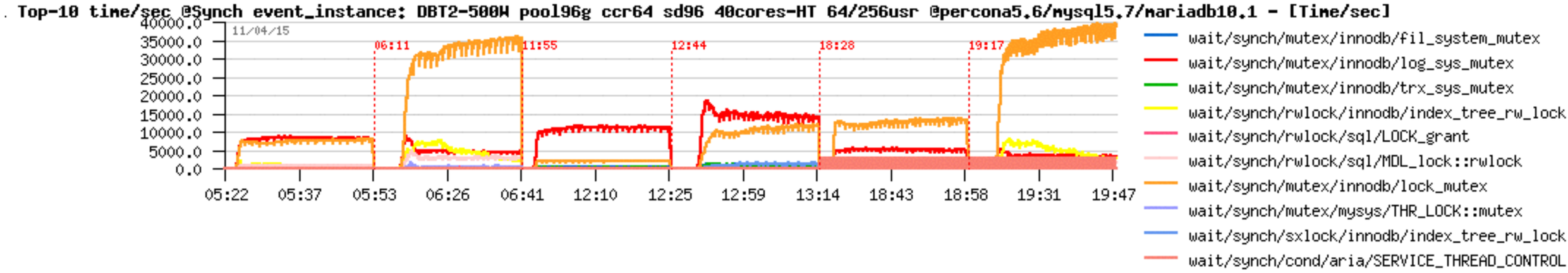
  - Lock waits: lock_sys mutex impact..





The Main MySQL Performance Best Practice #1 is... ???..

USE YOUR BRAIN !!!... ;-)

So, work continues..
stay tuned... ;-)

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Few words about dim_STAT (if you're asking ;-))

- All graphs are built with dim_STAT (http://dimitrik.free.fr)
  - All System load stats (CPU, I/O, Network, RAM, Processes,...)
  - Manly for Solaris & Linux, but any other UNIX too :-)
  - Add-Ons for Oracle, MySQL, PostgreSQL, Java, etc.
  - MySQL Add-Ons:
    - mysqlSTAT : all available data from "show status"
    - mysqlLOAD : compact data, multi-host monitoring oriented
    - mysqlWAITS : top wait events from Performance SCHEMA
    - InnodbSTAT : most important data from "show innodb status"
    - innodbMUTEX : monitoring InnoDB mutex waits
    - innodbMETRICS : all counters from the METRICS table
  - And any other you want to add! :-)

THANK YOU !!!

- All details about presented materials you may find on:
  - http://dimitrik.free.fr - dim_STAT, dbSTRESS, Benchmark Reports, etc.
  - http://dimitrik.free.fr/blog - Articles about MySQL Performance, etc.