

DBMS Data Loading: An Analysis on Modern Hardware

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Data loading: A necessary evil

✘ Volume => Expensive
40 zettabytes by 2020*



✘ Velocity => Continuous
Fresh data = Interesting data[†]

✓ Top query performance

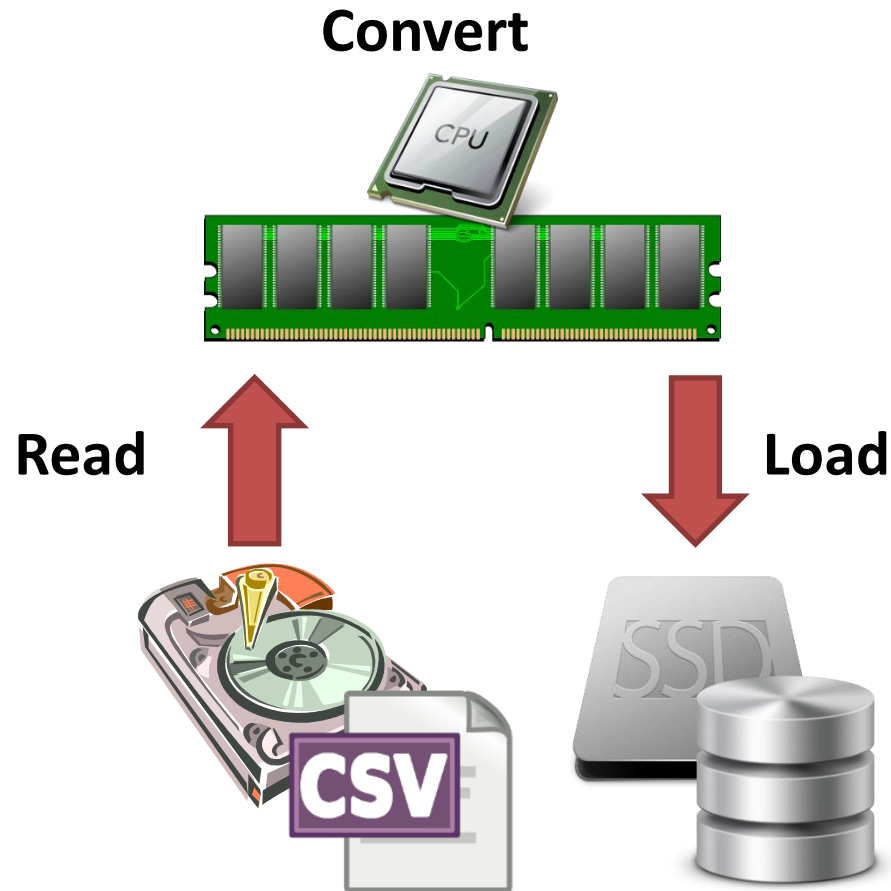
✓ ACID guarantees

* [IDC12]

† Abad [IISWC12]

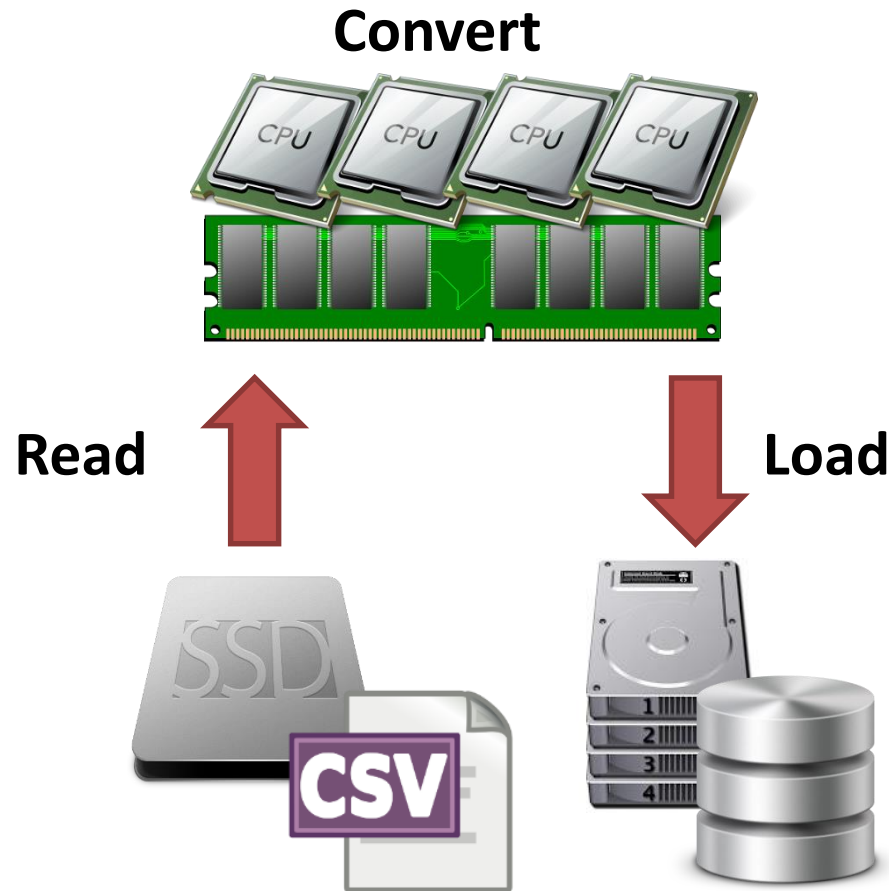
Data loading is a persistent analysis bottleneck

Loading a DBMS



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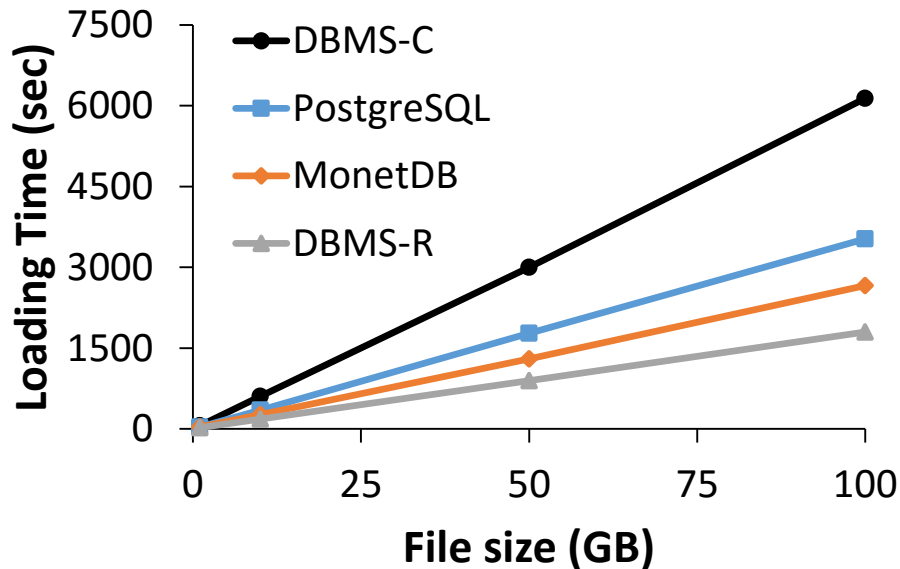
Experimental setup

- Hardware
 - Dual socket 8 cores Intel(R) Xeon(R) CPU E5-2640
 - 64 GB RAM
 - HDD: 4 x 500 GB 7.5k RPM SATA disks
 - SSD: 3 x 200GB SSD disks
 - DAS: 24 x 500 GB 7.5k RPM SATA disks
- Software
 - PostgreSQL, DBMS-R
 - MonetDB, DBMS-C
 - PostgreSQL parallel external loader (“**PCOPY**”)
- Benchmarks & Real-world Datasets

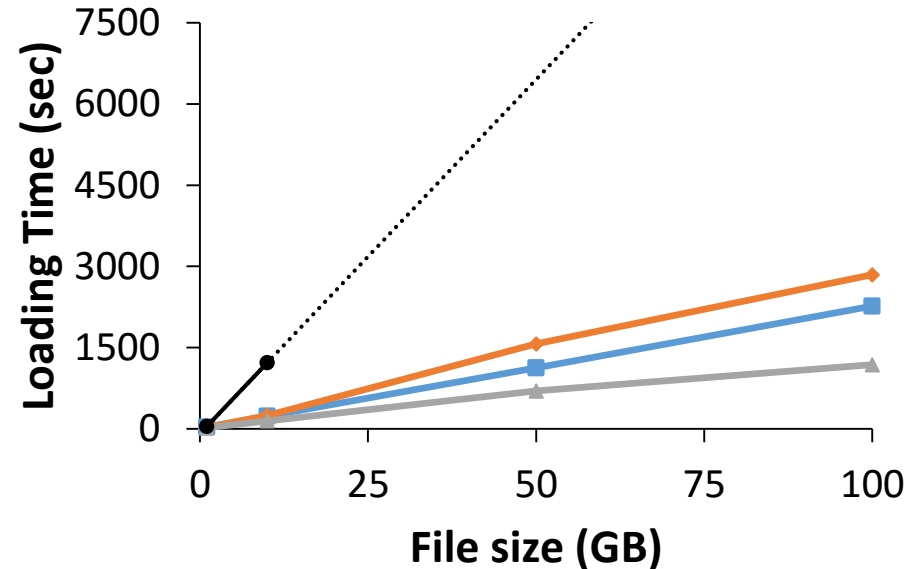
Single-threaded data loading

[Input storage: HDD
Destination storage: DAS]

TPC-H Loading Time



Symantec Loading Time

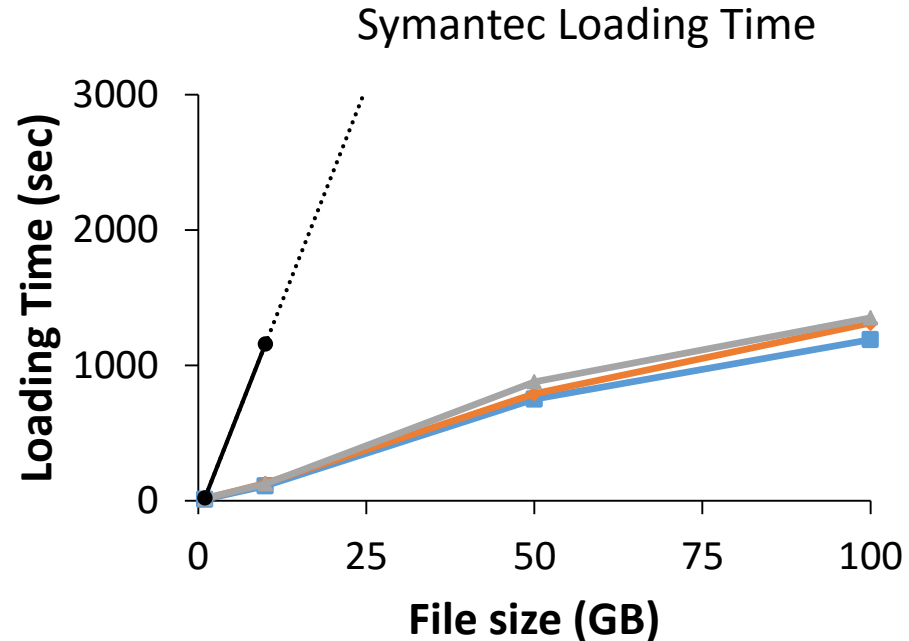
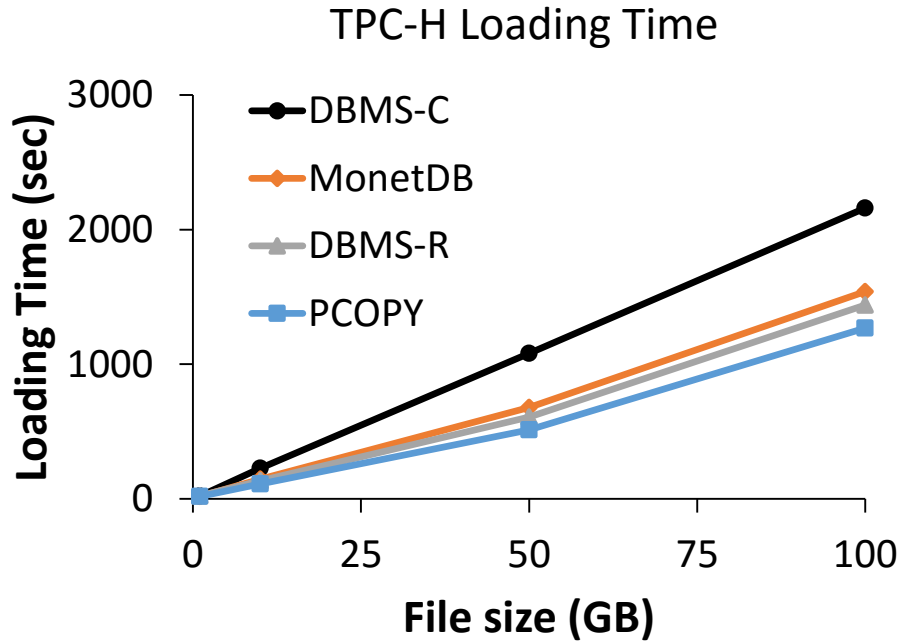


Dataset characteristics matter

Effect of compression

Parallel data loading

Input storage: HDD - Destination storage: DAS
16 threads

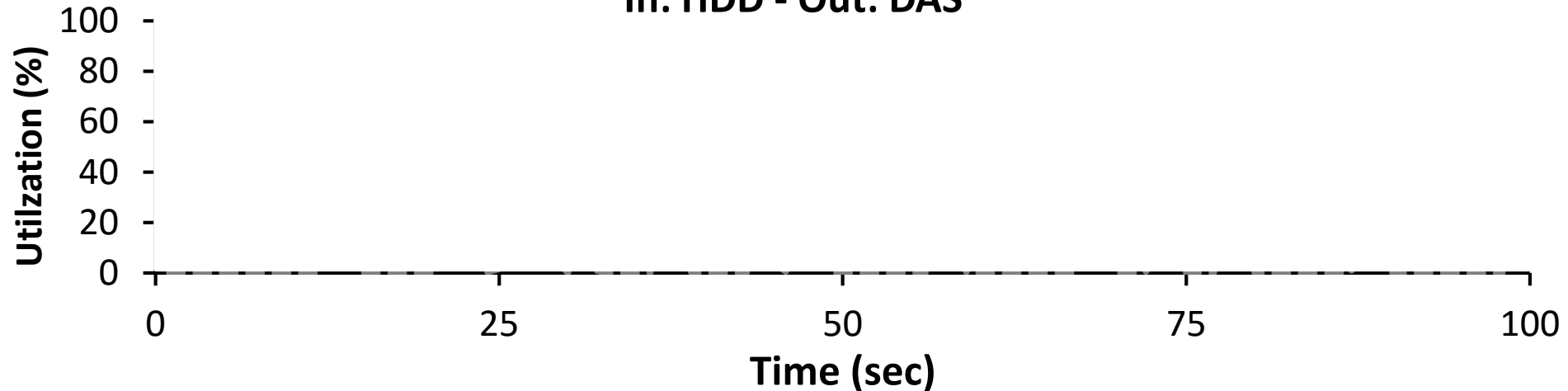


Speedup – 16 threads	DBMS-R	PCOPY	MonetDB	DBMS-C
TPC-H 100GB	1.25	2.77	1.72	2.84
Symantec 100GB	0.87	1.9	2.1	-

Sublinear speedup for 16 threads

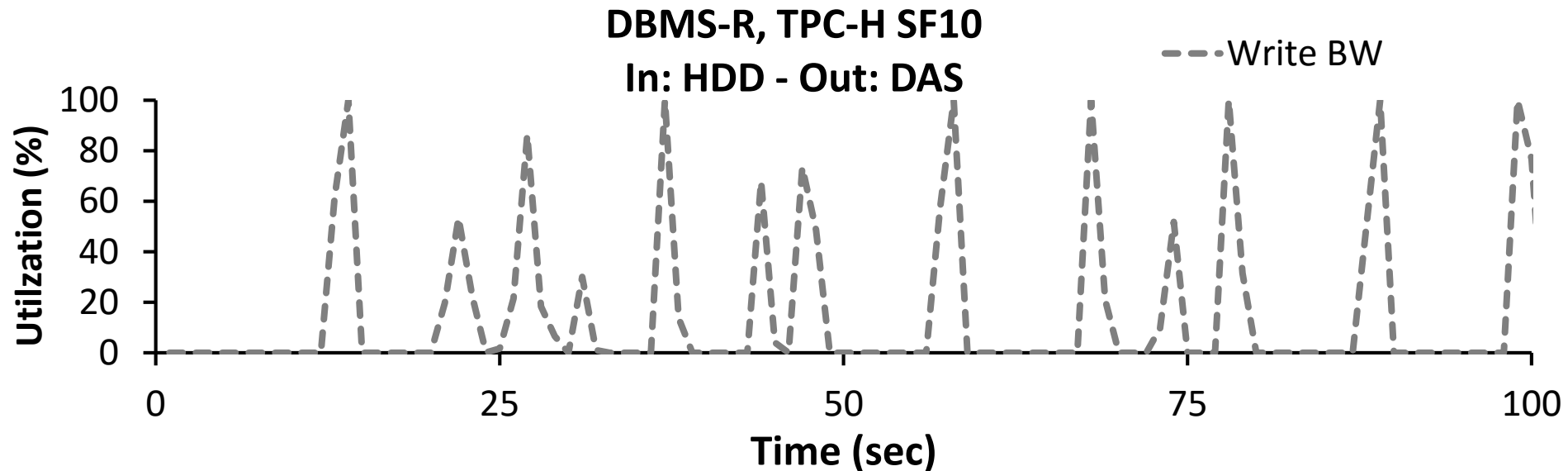
Resource Utilization

DBMS-R, TPC-H SF10
In: HDD - Out: DAS



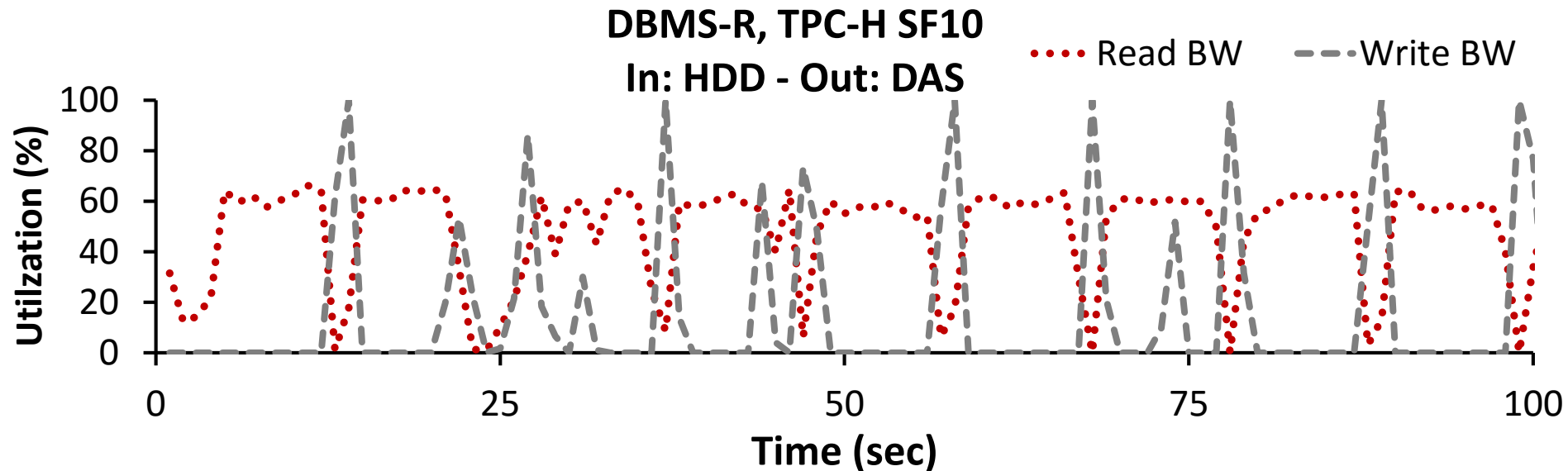
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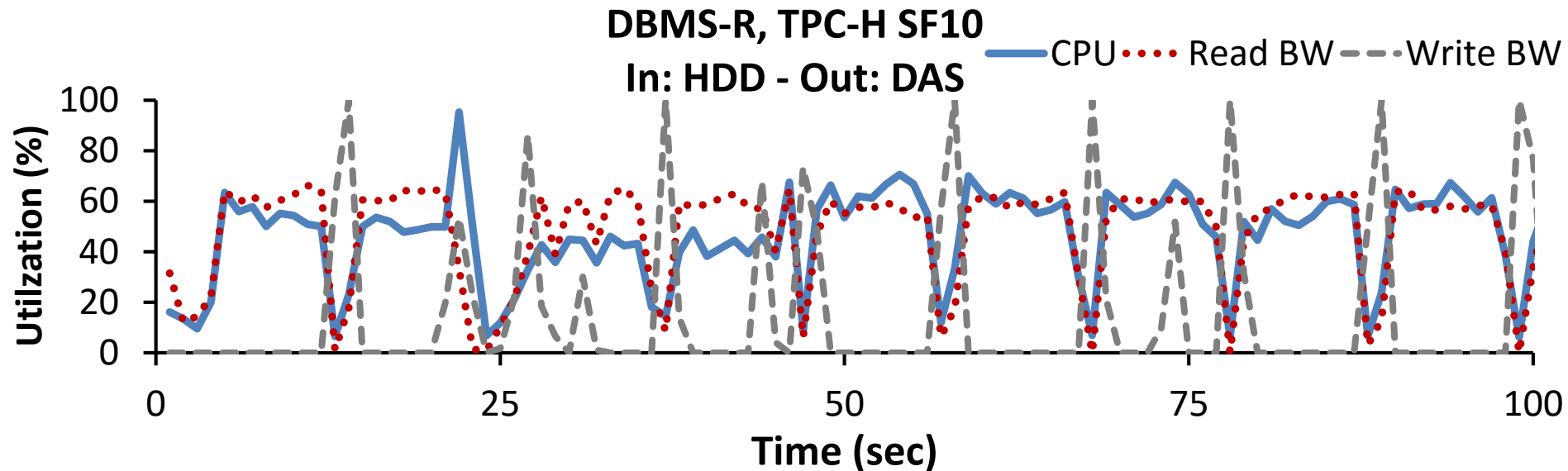
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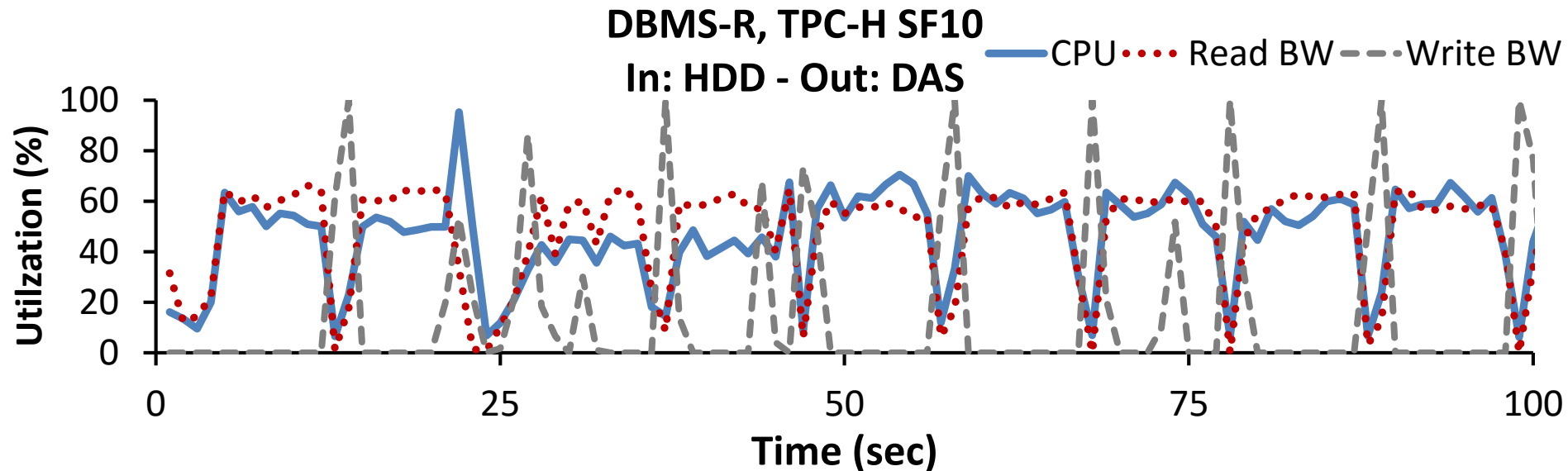
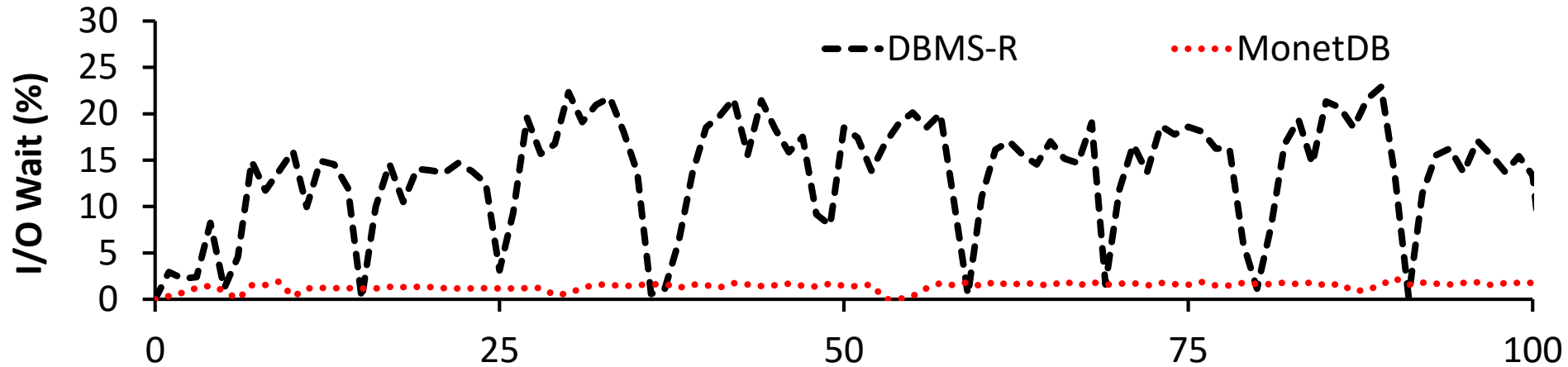
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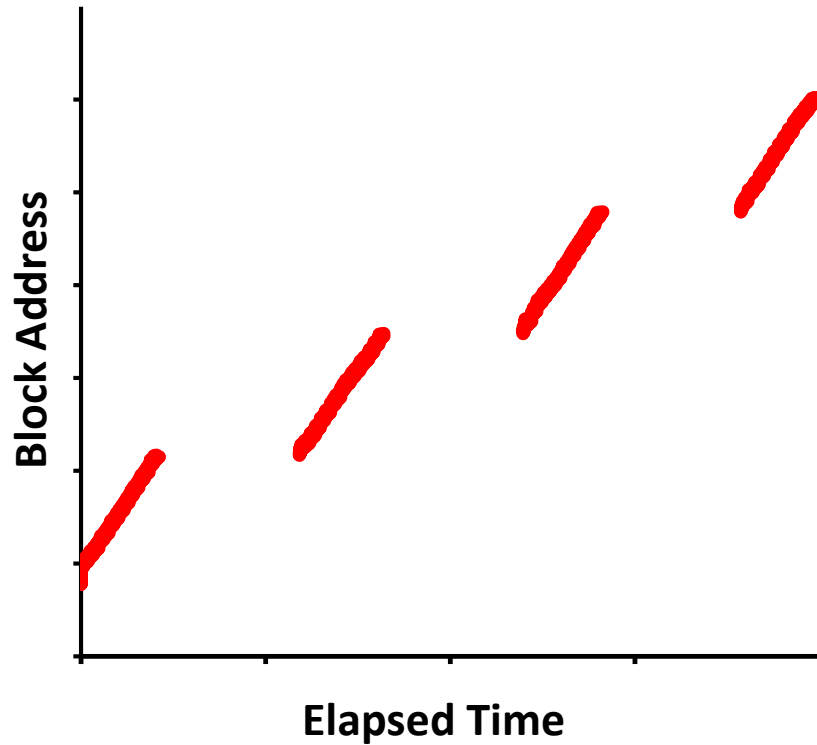


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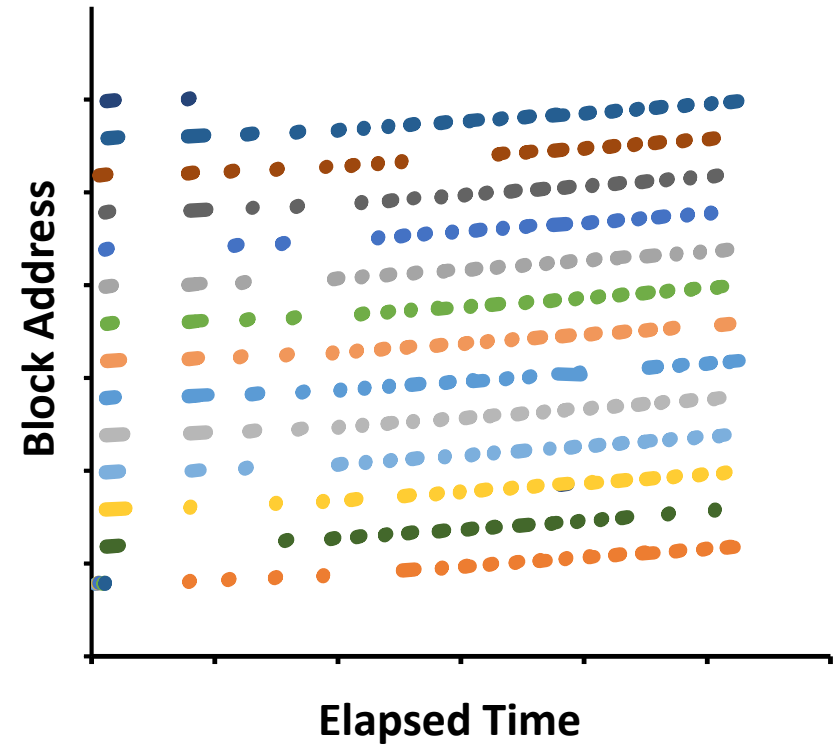
Read patterns

[TPC-H SF10
Input storage: HDD
Destination storage: DAS]

MonetDB



DBMS-R



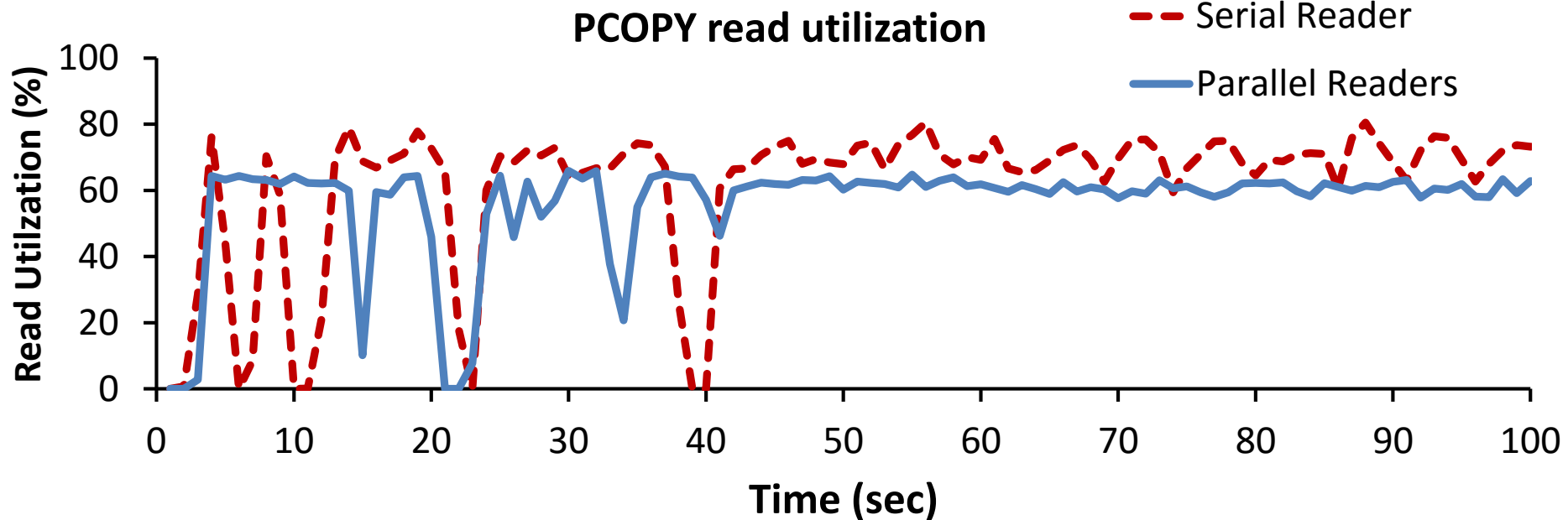
Random I/O causes underutilization

Serial reader vs. Parallel readers

[TPC-H SF10

Input storage: HDD

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Serial reader improves read utilization

readers depends on input device speed

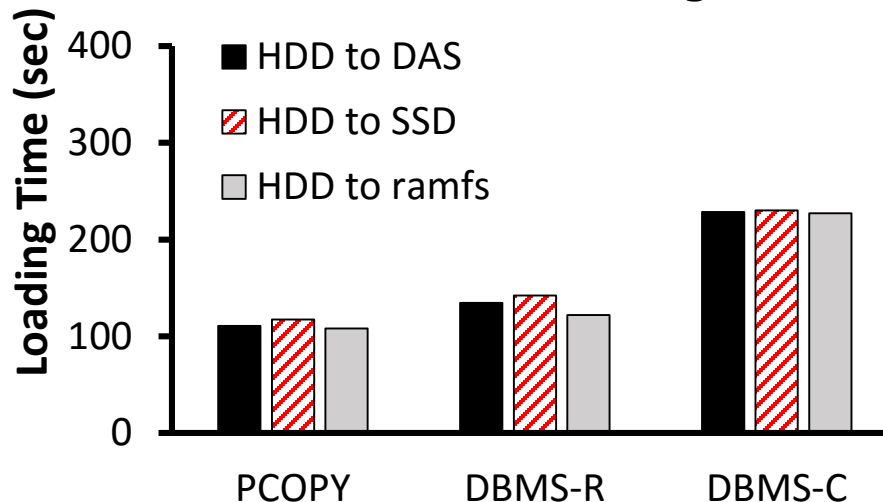
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[TPC-H SF10]

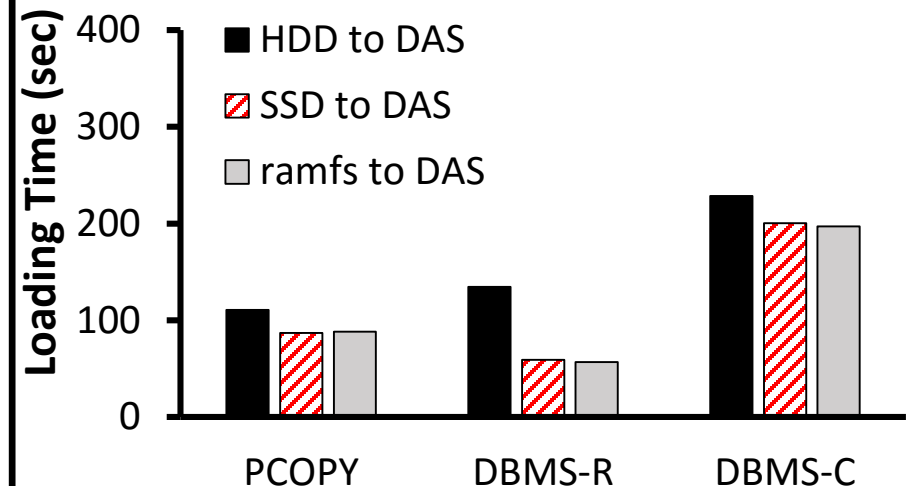
Slow input storage

HDD Source Storage



Varying input storage

DAS Destination Storage



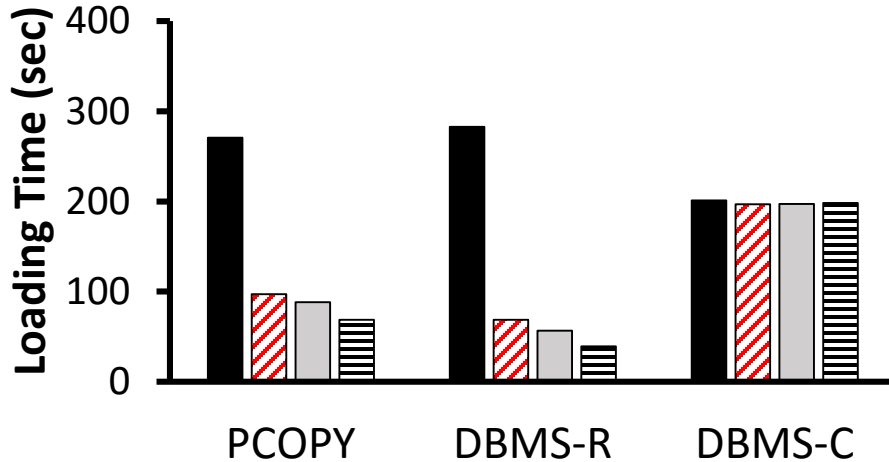
Slow source storage bottlenecks all systems
Write bottleneck when source storage is fast

Best-case storage scenario

[TPC-H SF10]

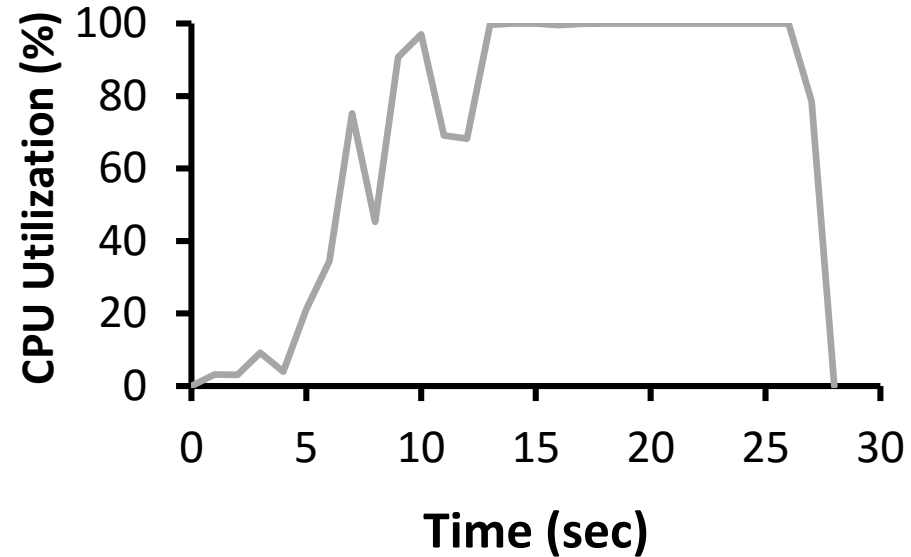
ramfs Source Storage

- ramfs to HDD
- ▨ ramfs to DAS
- ▤ ramfs to SSD
- ▧ ramfs to ramfs



DBMS-R

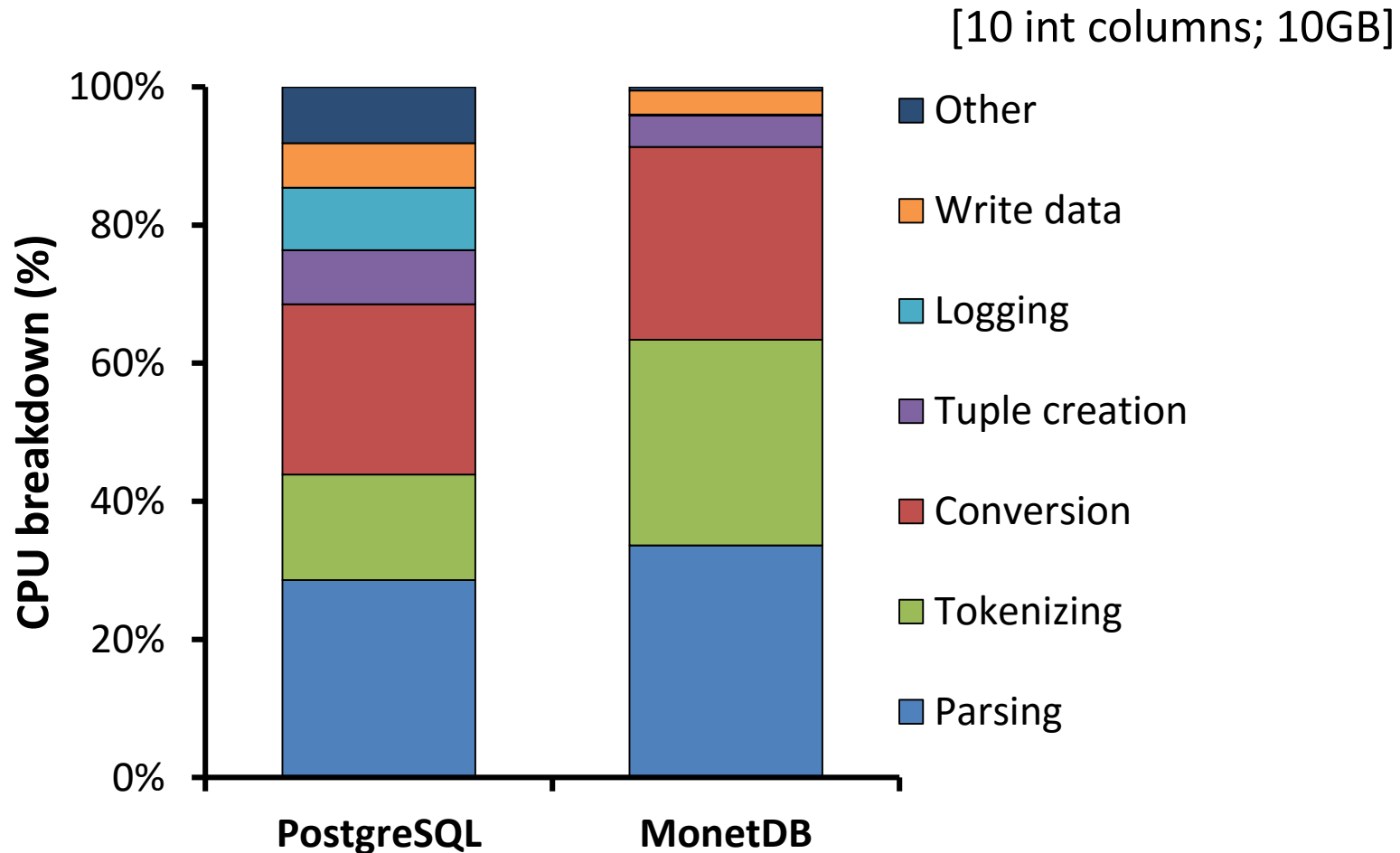
In: ramfs – Out: ramfs



Device Bandwidth: 12.8 GB/sec
Read Rate: 250 MB/sec

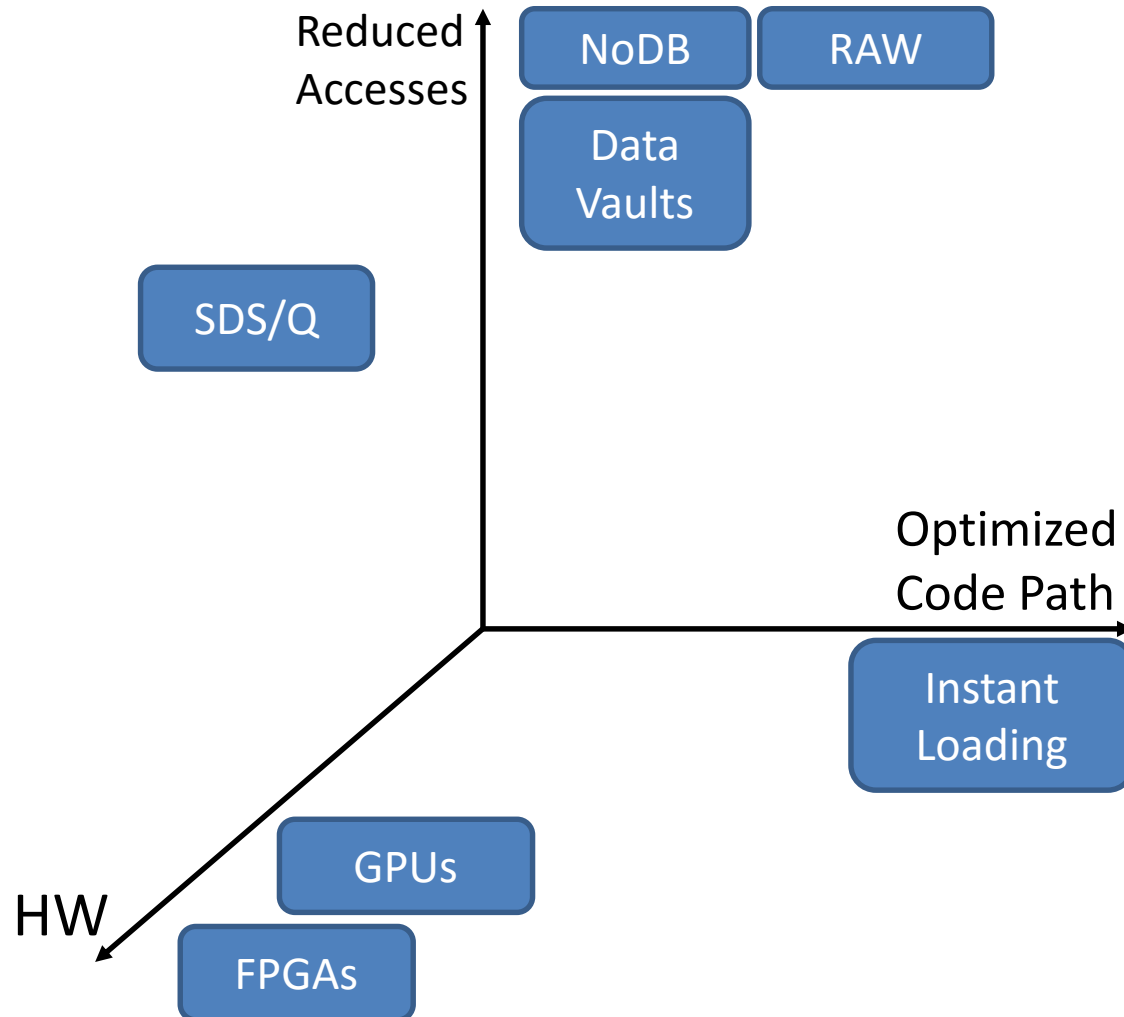
100% CPU utilization, yet B/W still underutilized 12

Data loading: Where does time go?



Parsing, conversion, tokenization hotspots

Reducing data loading overheads



Bulk loading on modern hardware

- General case: Resource under-utilization
- Slow destination storage matters
- Complex code paths bound max speed

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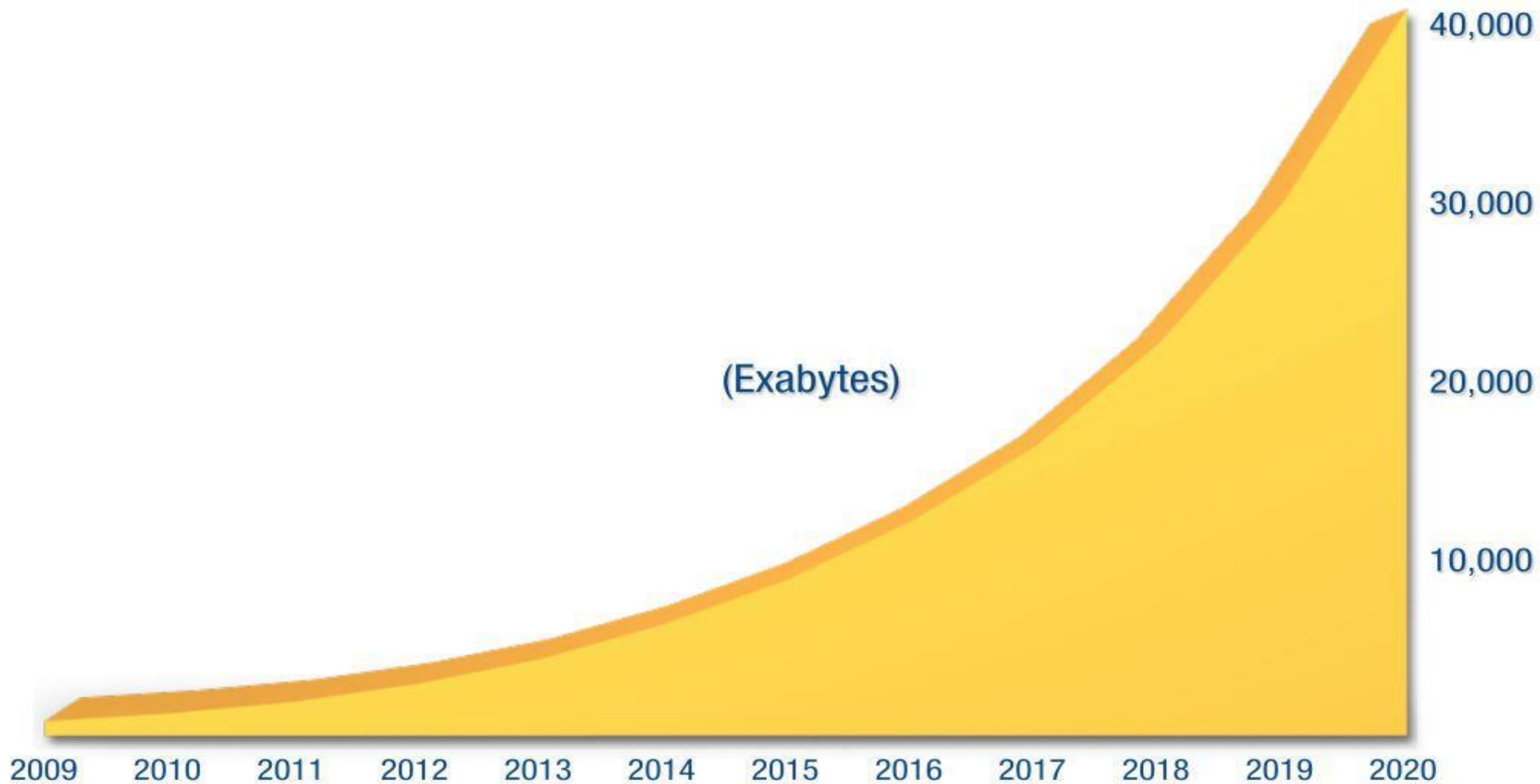
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Thank You!
Questions?

Backup Slides

50x data growth from 2010 to 2020

[IDC2012]



Can DBMS keep up with data growth?

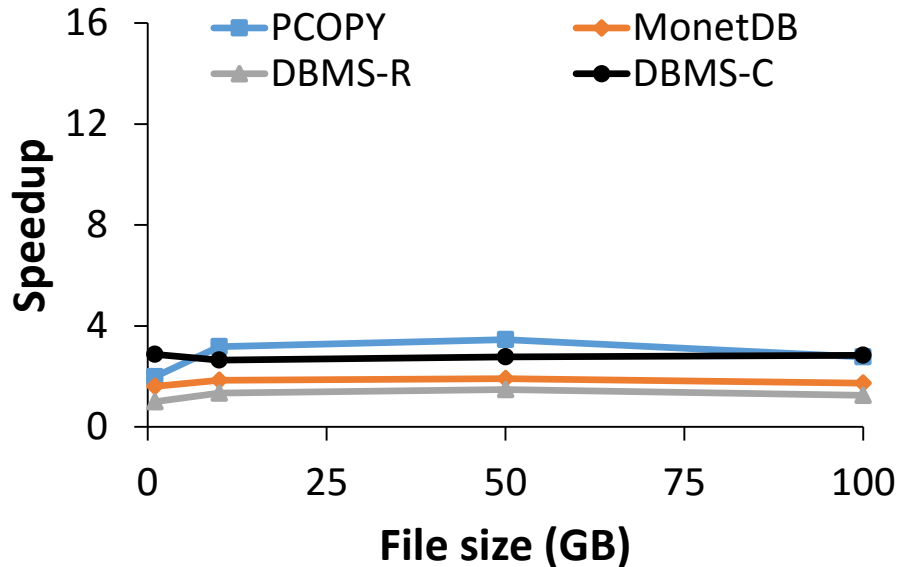
Storage Characteristics

Name	Capacity	Configuration	Read Speed	Write Speed	RPM
HDD	2TB	4 x HDD (RAID-0)	170 MB/s	160 MB/s	7.5K
DAS	12TB	24 x HDD (RAID-0)	1100 MB/s	330 MB/s	7.5K
SSD	600GB	3 x SSD (RAID-0)	565 MB/s	268 MB/s	n/a

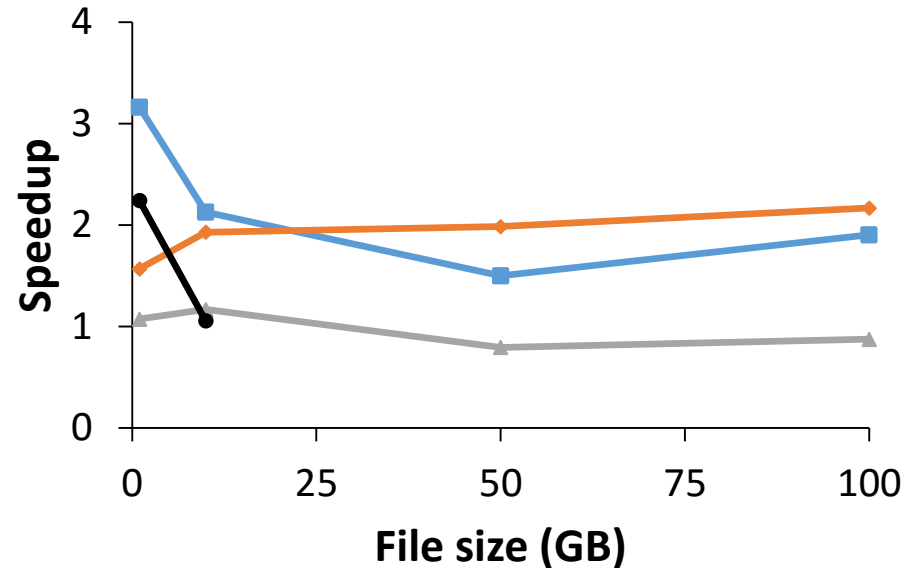
Parallel data loading – 16 threads

[Input storage: HDD
Destination storage: DAS]

TPC-H



Symantec

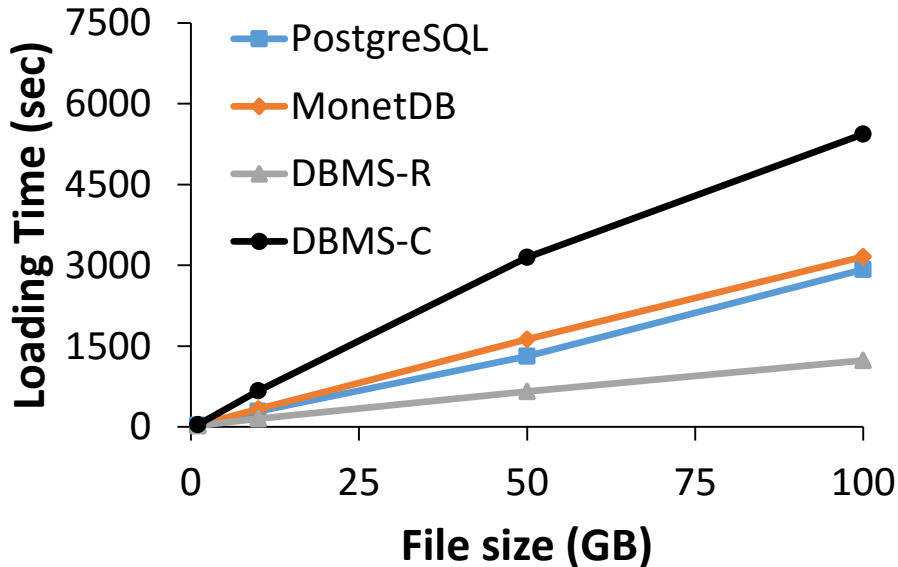


Sublinear speedup for 16x DoP

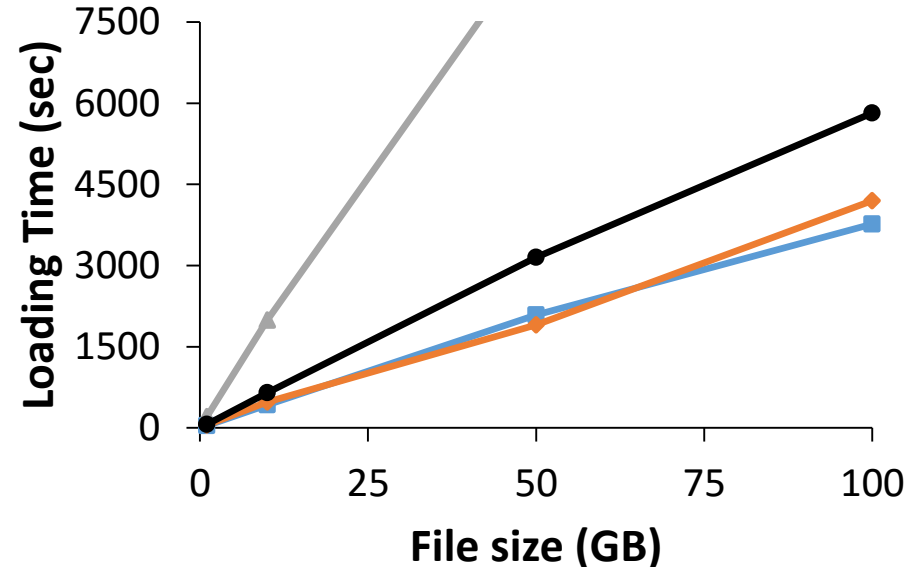
Single-threaded loading – Extra datasets

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Destination storage: DAS

TPC-C Loading Time



SDSS Loading Time

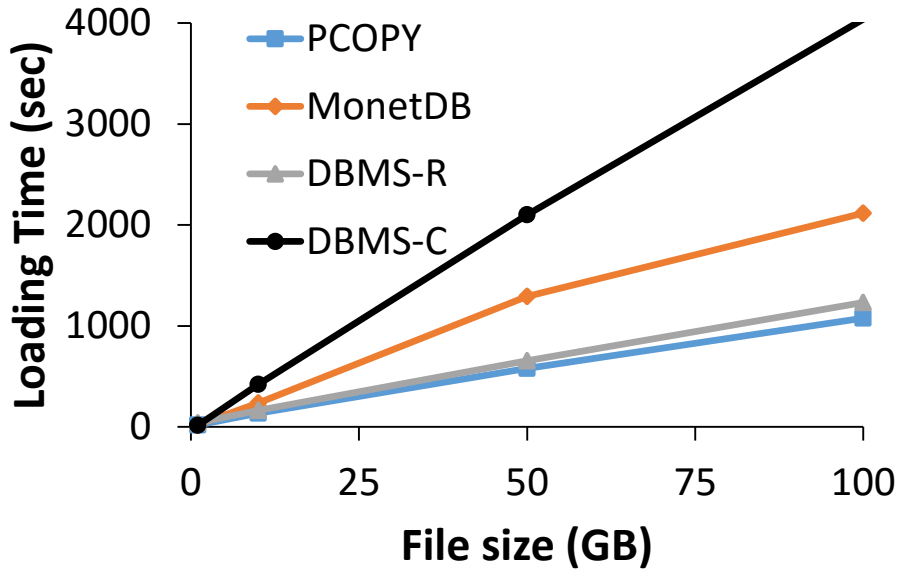


Column stores invest in compression

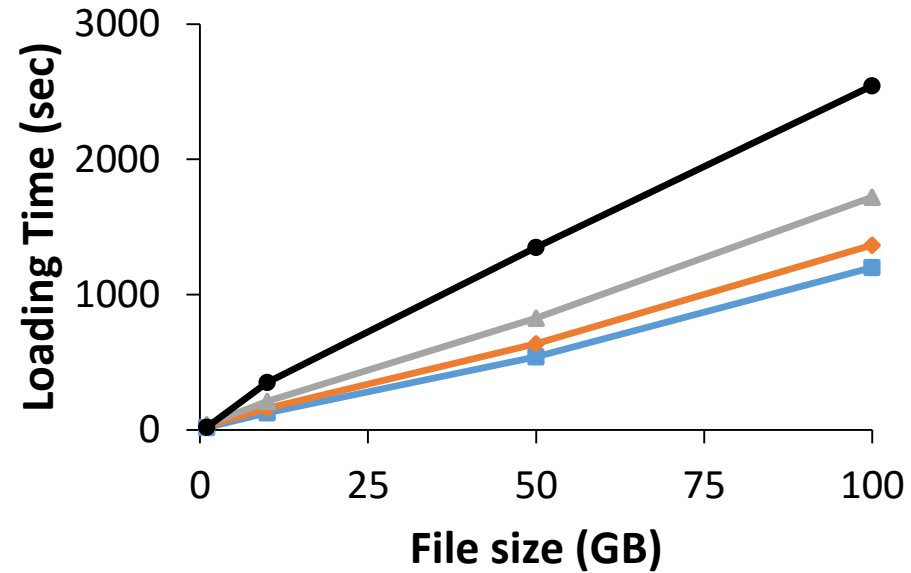
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TPC-C Loading Time



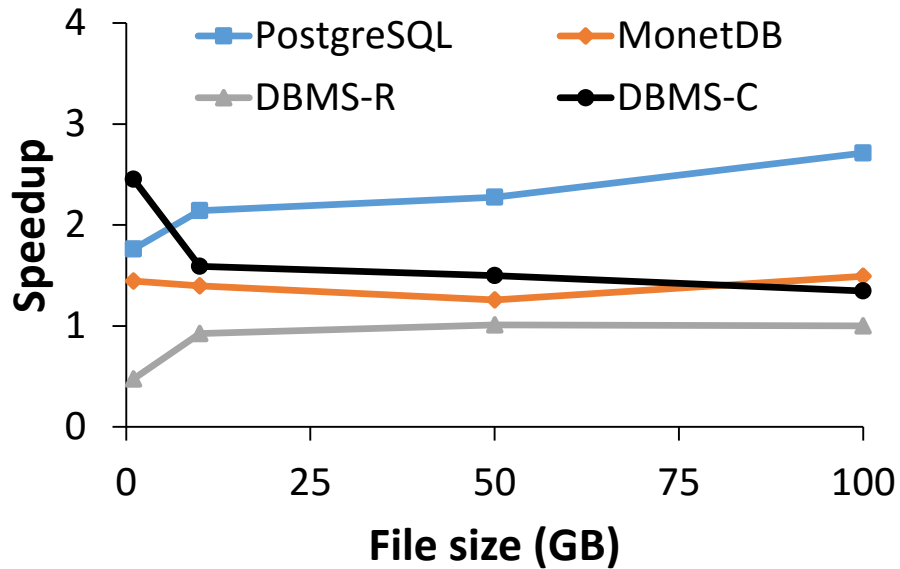
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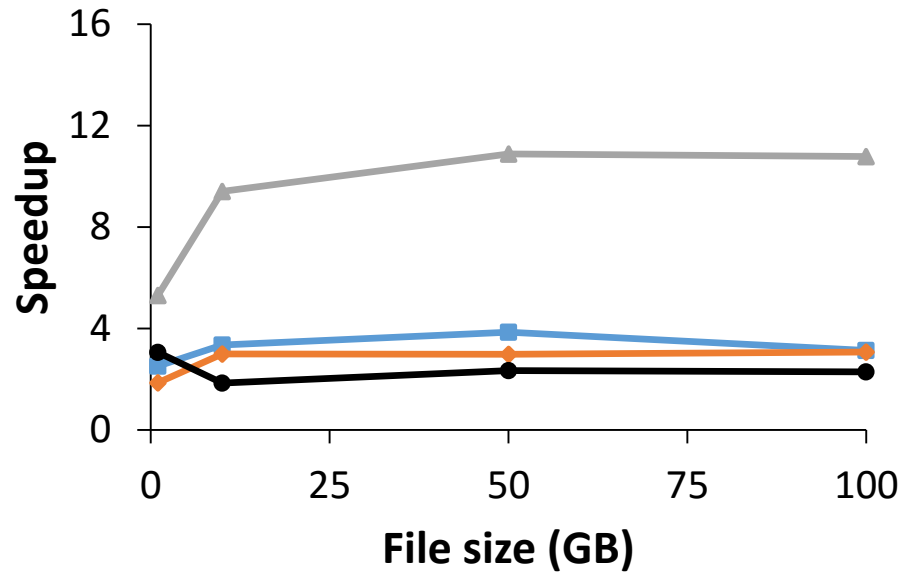
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TPC-C



SDSS



The effect of compression

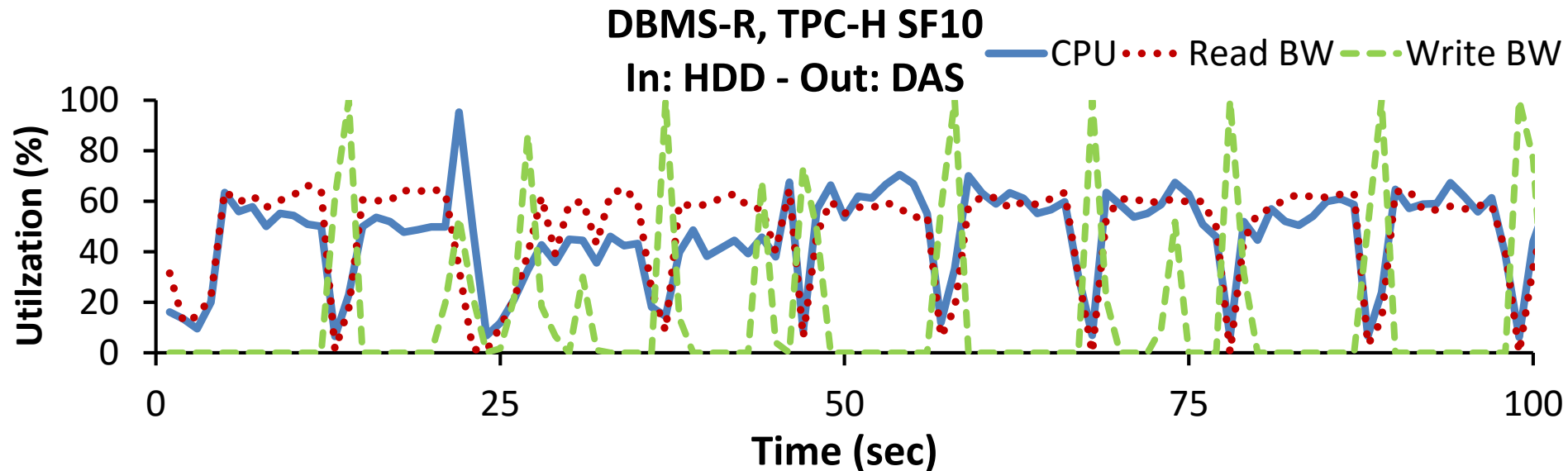
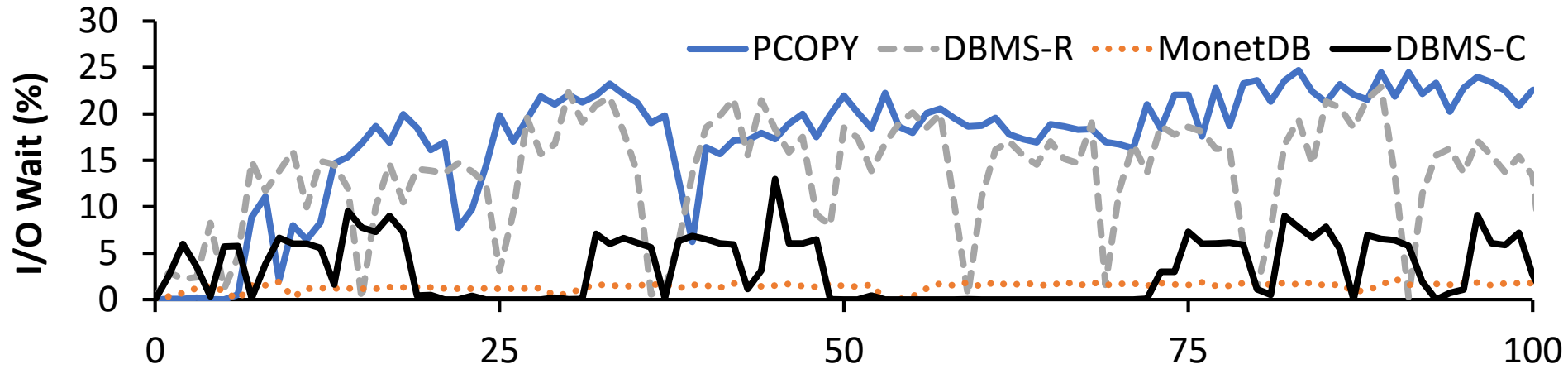
[10GB]

DB size / input file

Name	TPC-H	TPC-C	SDSS	Symantec
DBMS-R	1.5	1.3	1.5	1.5
PostgreSQL	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.1
DBMS-C	0.27	0.82	0.18	0.25
MonetDB	1.1	1.4	1.0	0.92

Column stores: Reduced footprint favors OLAP

Resource Utilization



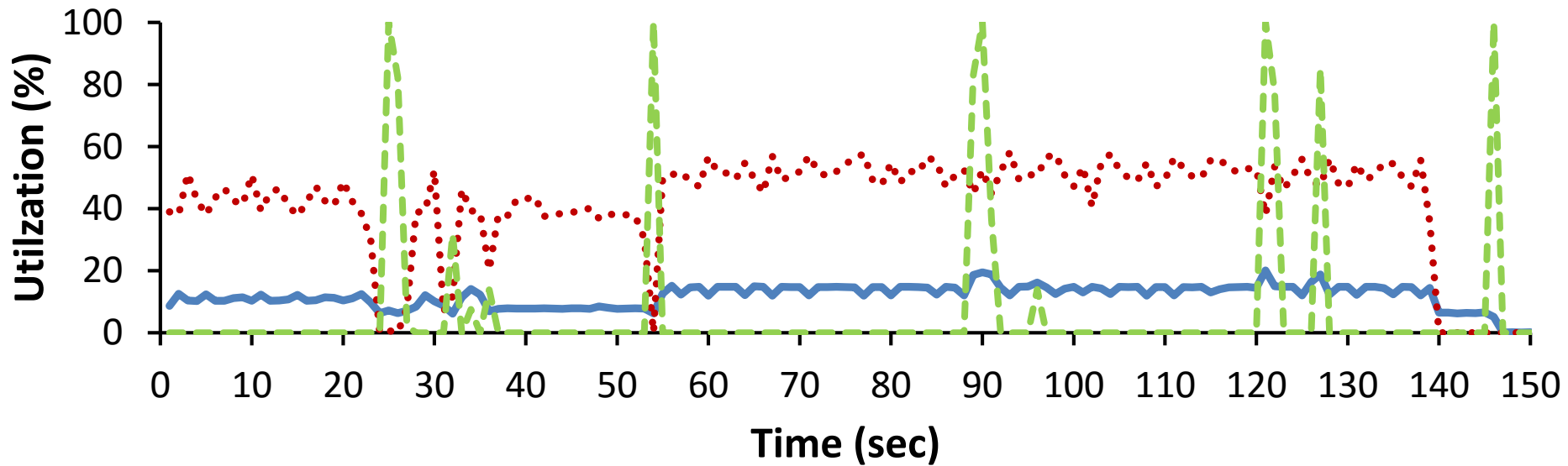
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MonetDB utilization

[Data: TPCH – SF10

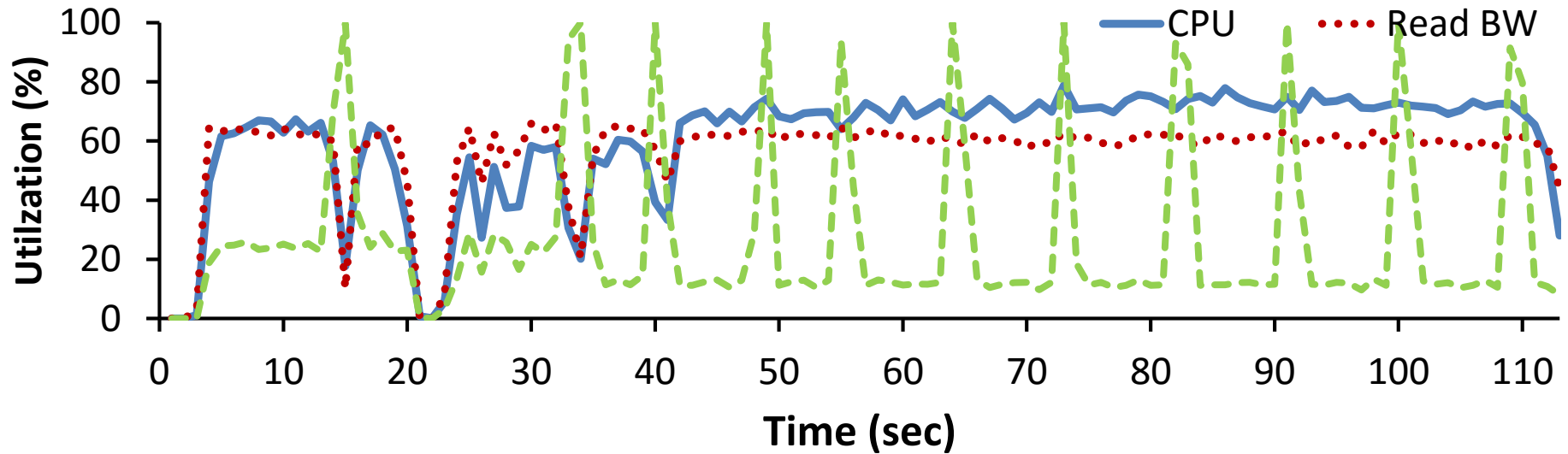
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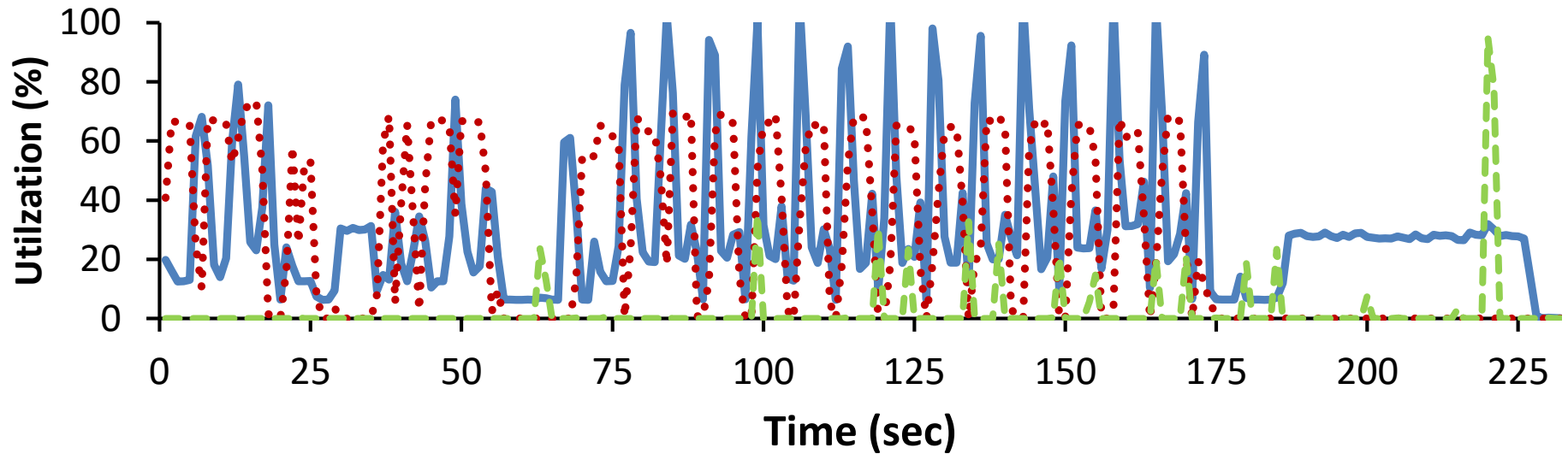
PCOPY utilization

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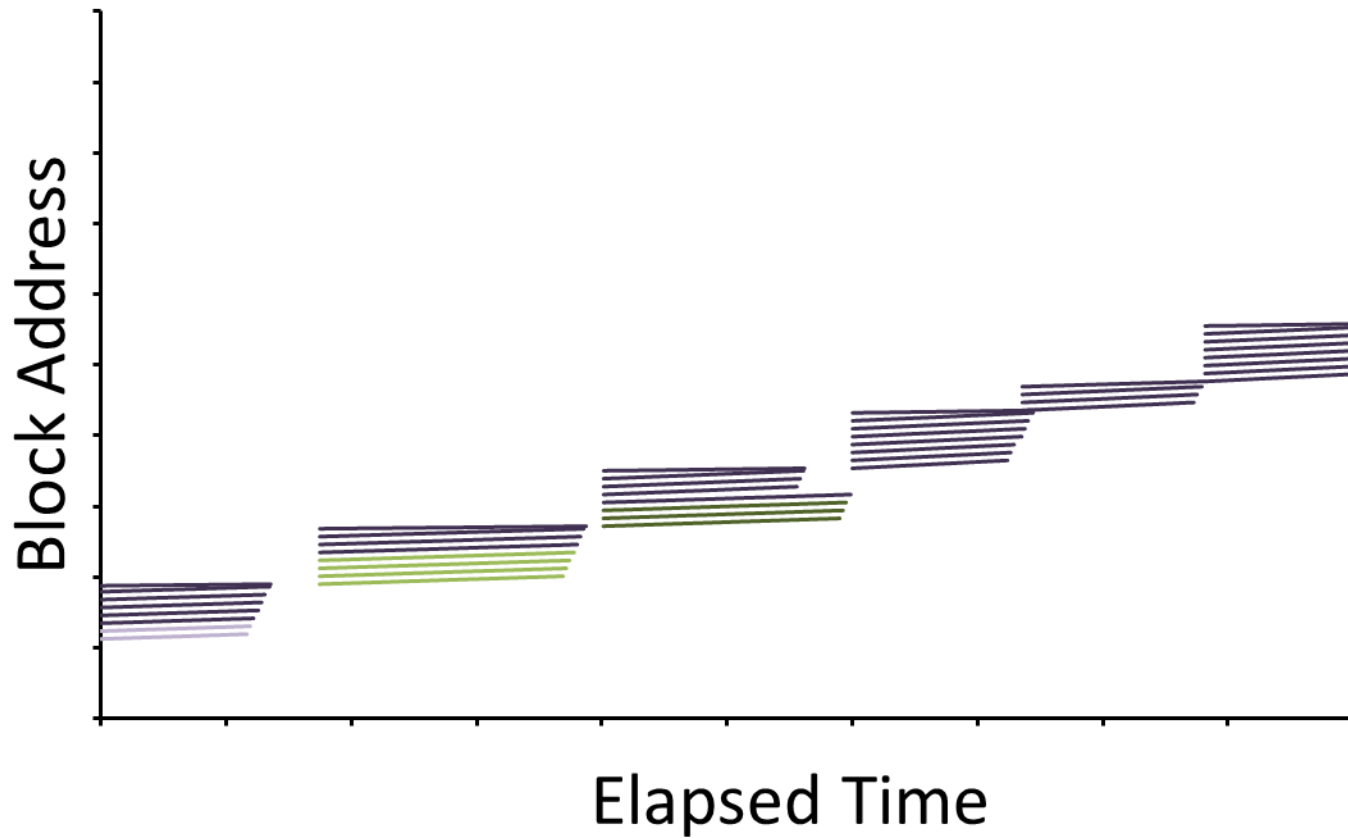


DBMS-C utilization

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DBMS-C read patterns



Reducing data loading overheads

- In situ querying [SIGMOD12, VLDB14]
- Data Vaults: Exploit metadata [Ivanova12, Kargin15]
- Instant Loading: SIMD & Code gen. [Muehlbauer13]
- Accelerators (FPGAs, GPUs)