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CEPH: overview e installazione

Agenda

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- CEPH Features
- CEPH Architecture
- CEPH Installation

CEPH highlight

- Ceph was initially created by Sage Weil for his doctoral dissertation
- On March 19, 2010, Linus Torvalds merged the Ceph client into Linux kernel version 2.6.34
- In 2012, Weil created Inktank Storage for professional services and support for Ceph
- In April of 2014 Red Hat purchased Inktank bringing the majority of Ceph development in-house

CEPH highlight

- Project started in 2007
- An object based parallel file-system
- Open source project (LGPL licensed)
- Written in C++ and C
- kernel level
- Posix compliant
- No SPOF
- Both data and metadata could be replicated dynamically
- Configuration is config file based
- Flexible striping strategies and object sizes
  - Could be configured "per file"

CEPH Features

- In CEPH tutto è un oggetto
- Non esiste il database per indicare la disposizione degli oggetti nel cluster
- http://ceph.com/papers/weil-crush-sc06.pdf
- Esiste una "regola" per scegliere dove memorizzare i vari oggetti:
  - ogni singolo nodo del cluster può calcolare la disposizione
  - NOSPOF

CEPH Features

- Why start with Object
  - more useful than (disk) blocks
    - names in a single flat namespace
    - variable size
    - simple API with rich semantics
  - more scalable than files
    - no hard-to-distribute hierarchy
    - update semantics do not span objects
    - workload is trivially parallel

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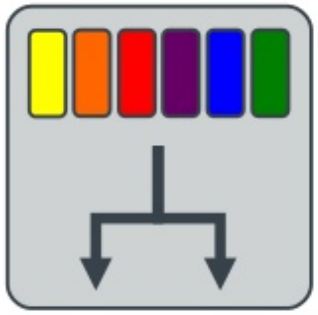

CRUSH

- Pseudo-random placement algorithm
- Fast calculation, **no lookup**
- Ensures even distribution
- Repeatable, deterministic
- Rule-based configuration
  - specifiable replication
  - infrastructure topology aware
  - allows weighting
- Stable mapping
  - Limited data migration

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Distributed object storage

- CRUSH tells us where data should go
  - small "osd map" records cluster state at point in time
  - ceph-osd node status (up/down, weight, IP)
  - CRUSH function specifying desired data distribution
- object storage daemons (RADOS)
  - store it there
  - migrate it as the cluster changes
- decentralized, distributed approach allows
  - massive scales (10,000s of servers or more)
  - efficient data access
  - the illusion of a single copy with consistent behavior

Distributed object storage

- dynamic cluster
  - nodes are added, removed; nodes reboot, fail, recover
  - recovery is the norm
- osd maps are versioned
  - shared via gossip
- any map update potentially triggers data migration
  - ceph-osds monitor peers for failure
  - new nodes register with monitor
  - administrator adjusts weights, mark out old hardware, etc.

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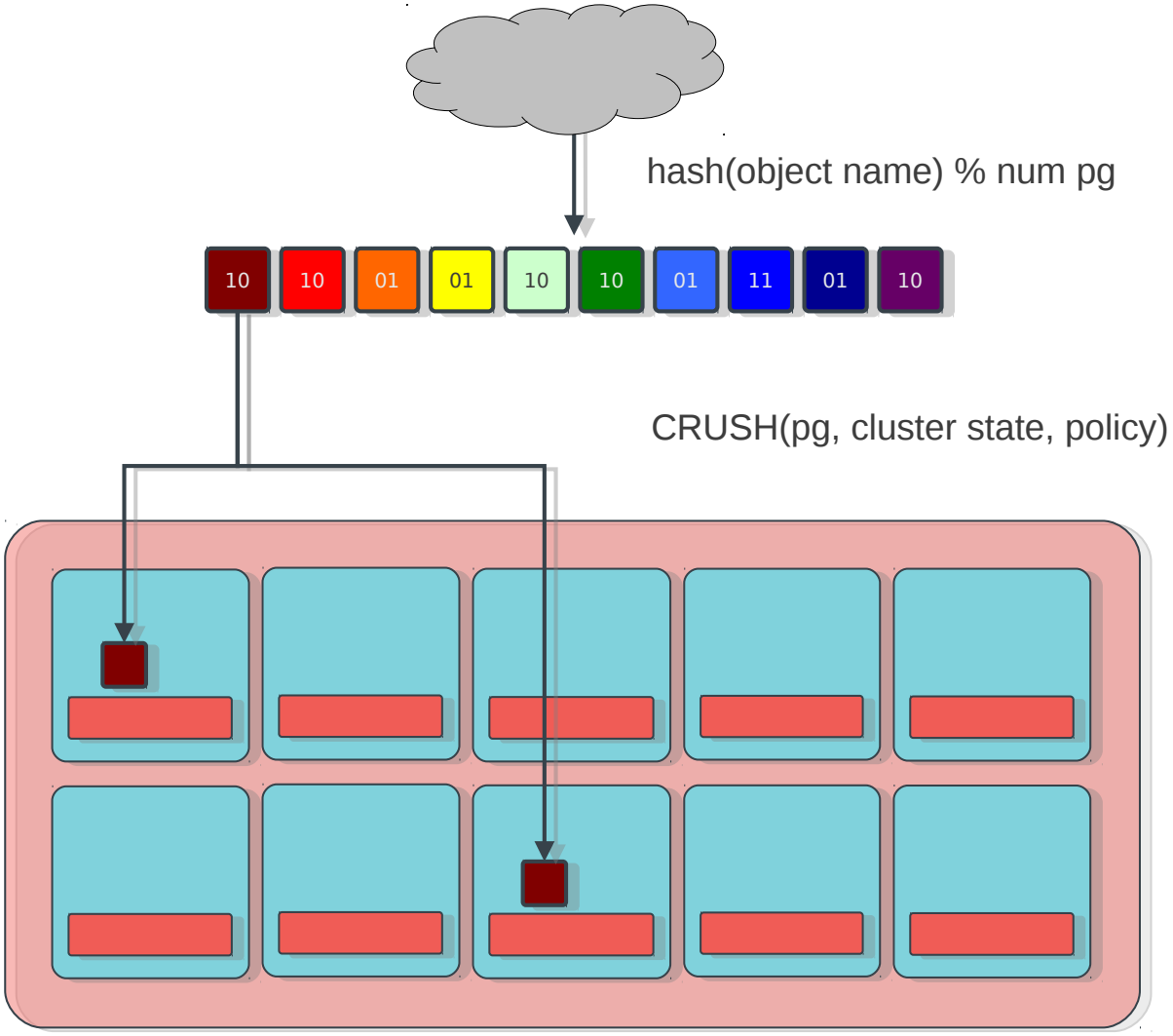

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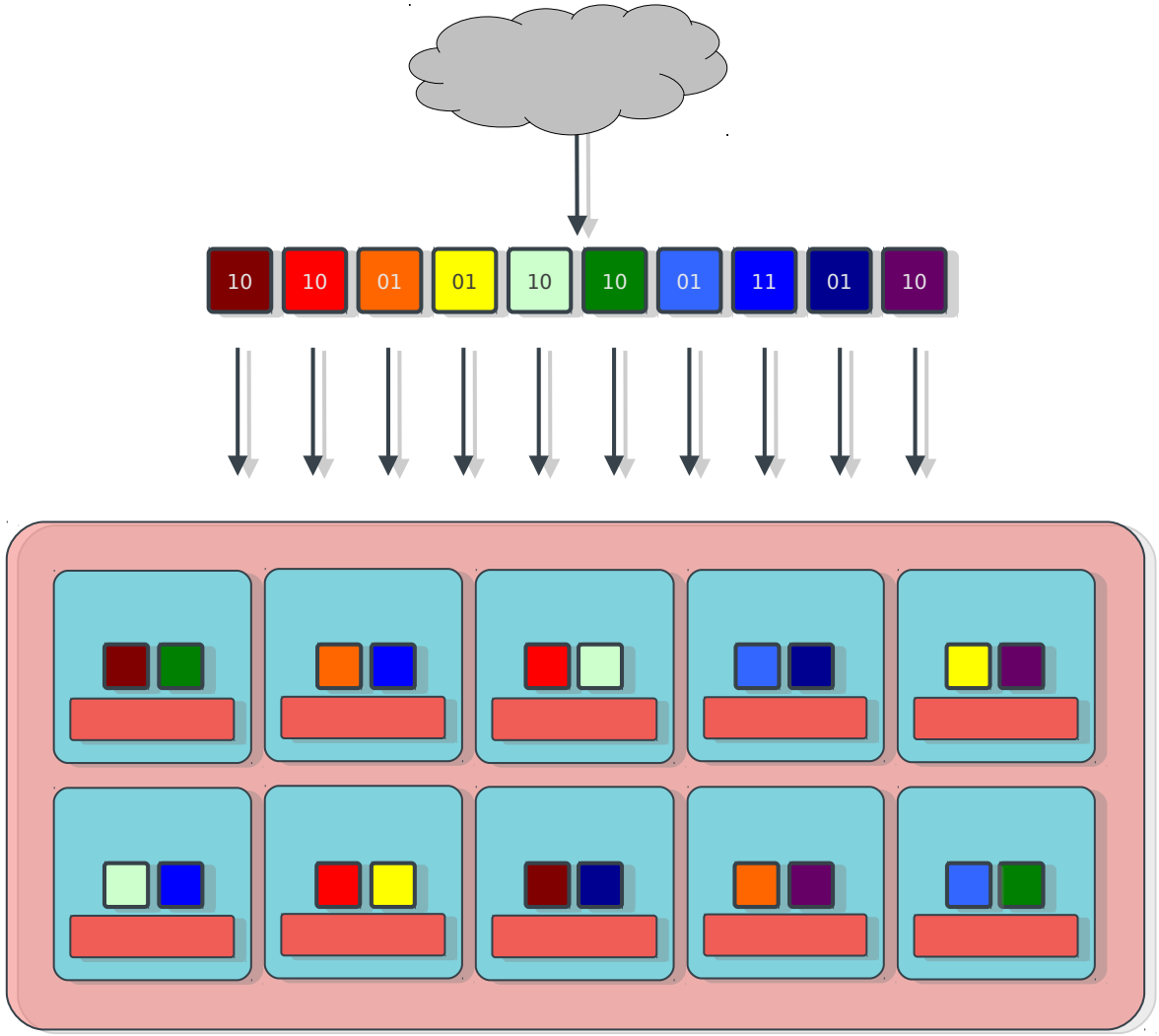

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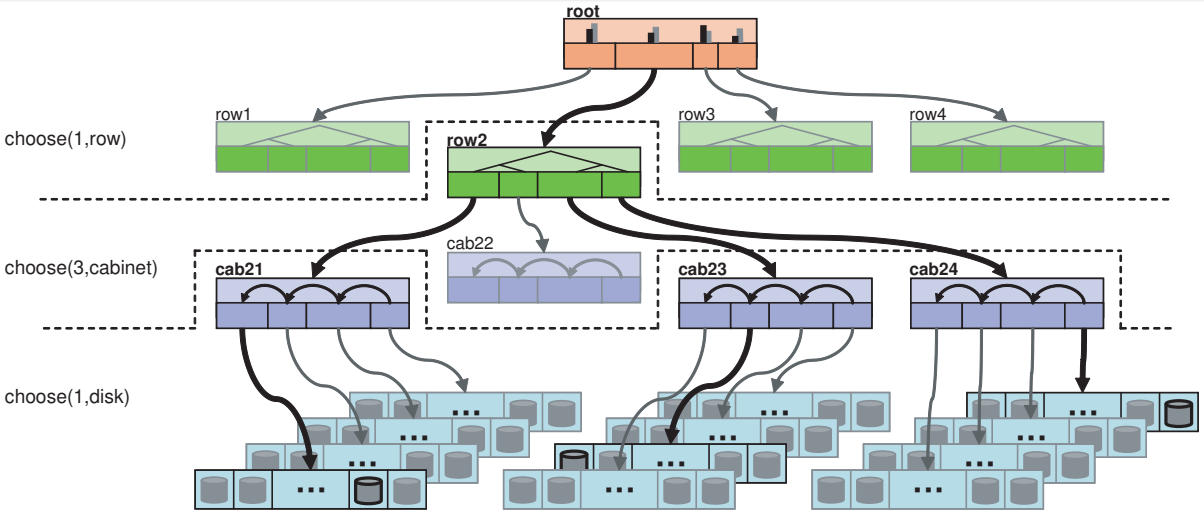
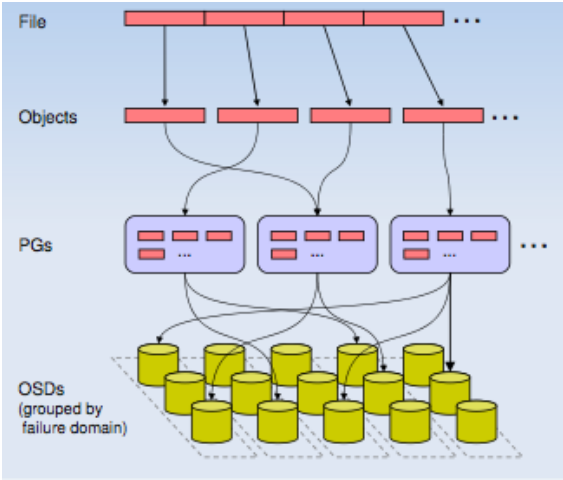


Figure 1: A partial view of a four-level cluster map hierarchy consisting of rows, cabinets, and shelves of disks. Bold lines illustrate items selected by each *select* operation in the placement rule and fictitious mapping described by Table 1.



CEPH Features

- È in grado di fornire Block/Object/Posix storage
- File system supportati come back-end
  - Non-Production
    - btrfs
    - ZFS (On Linux)
  - Production
    - ext4 (small scale)
    - xfs (enterprise deployments)

CEPH Features

- Intelligent server: replicate data, migrate object, detect node failures
  - this could happen because everyone know where object belongs
- inodes are stored together with the directory object: you can load complete directory and inodes with a single I/O ("find" or "du" are greatly faster)

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recursive accounting

- ceph-mds tracks recursive directory stats
  - file sizes
  - file and directory counts
  - modification time
- virtual xattrs present full stats
- efficient

```
$ ls -alSh | head
total 0
drwxr-xr-x 1 root            root      9.7T 2011-02-04 15:51 .
drwxr-xr-x 1 root            root      9.7T 2010-12-16 15:06 ..
drwxr-xr-x 1 pomceph         pg4194980 9.6T 2011-02-24 08:25 pomceph
drwxr-xr-x 1 mcg_test1       pg2419992  23G 2011-02-02 08:57 mcg_test1
drwx--x--- 1 luko            adm        19G 2011-01-21 12:17 luko
drwx--x--- 1 eest            adm        14G 2011-02-04 16:29 eest
drwxr-xr-x 1 mcg_test2       pg2419992 3.0G 2011-02-02 09:34 mcg_test2
drwx--x--- 1 fuzyceph        adm       1.5G 2011-01-18 10:46 fuzyceph
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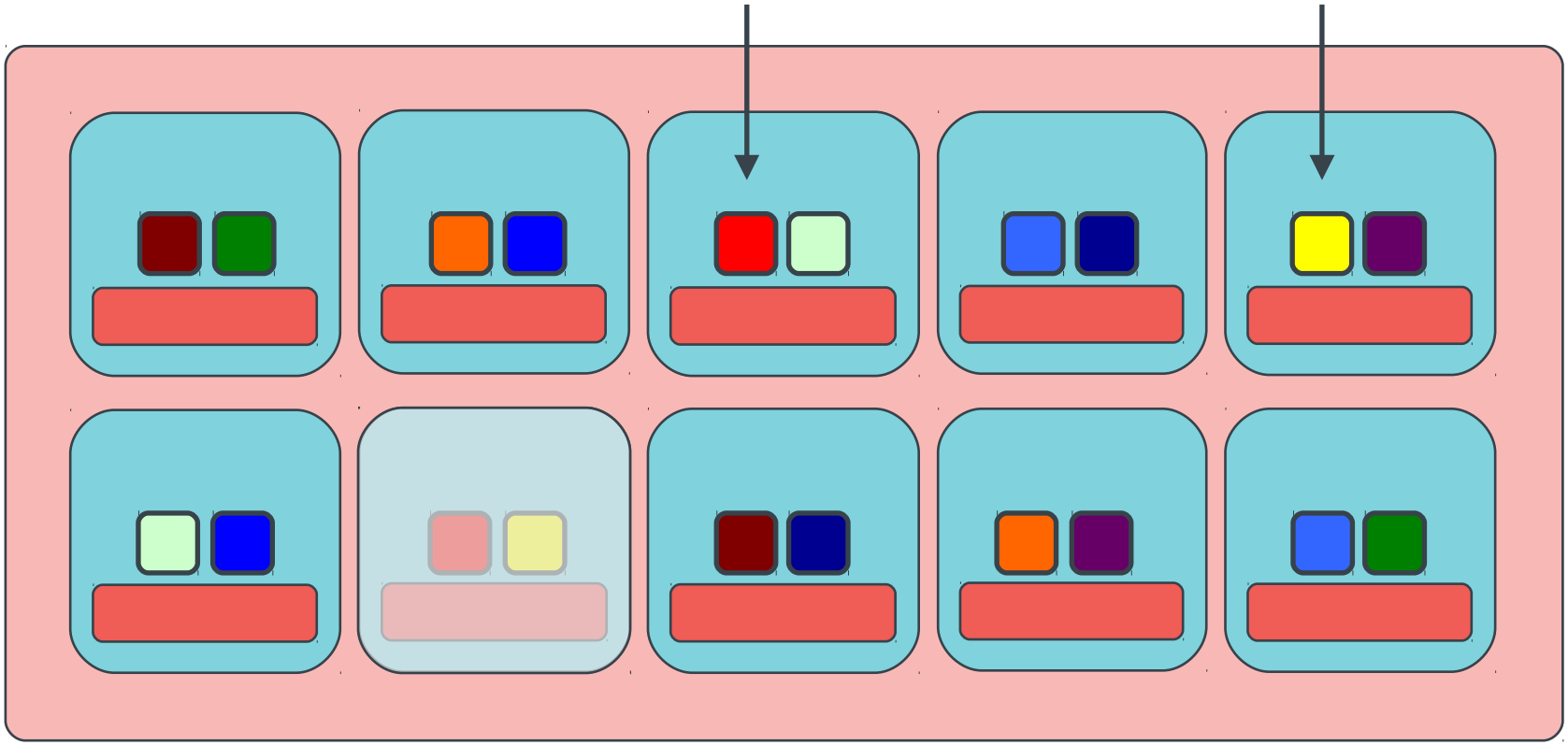

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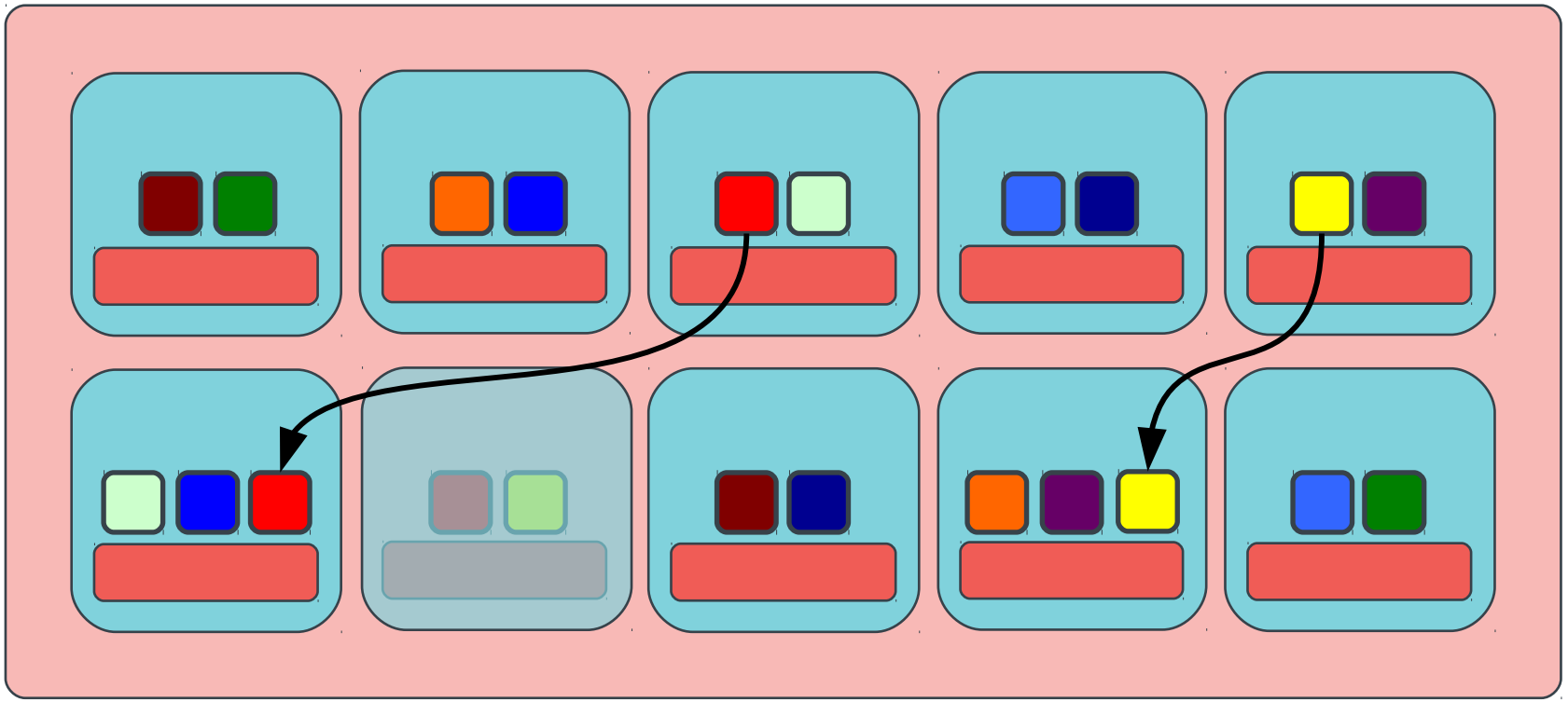

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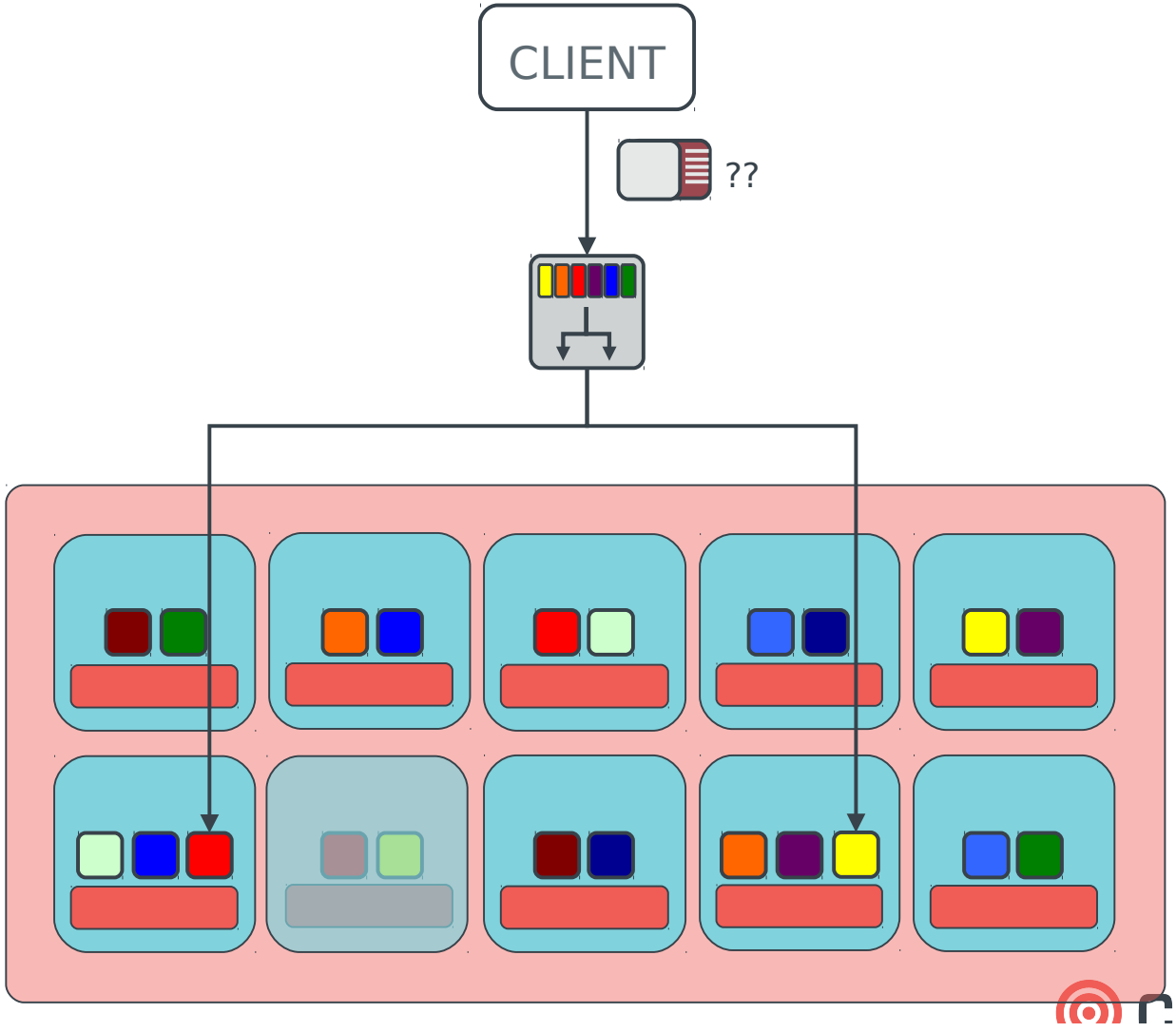

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- SAN (shared) disk is not needed to achieve HA
- Support snapshots
- Support quotas (per directory sub-tree)
- The RADOS Gateway also exposes the object store as aRESTful interface which can present as both native Amazon S3 and OpenStack Swift APIs.
- Ceph RBD interfaces with object storage system that provides the librados interface and the CephFS file system
- stores block device images as objects. Since RBD is built on top of librados, RBD inherits librados's capabilities, including read-only snapshots and revert to snapshot

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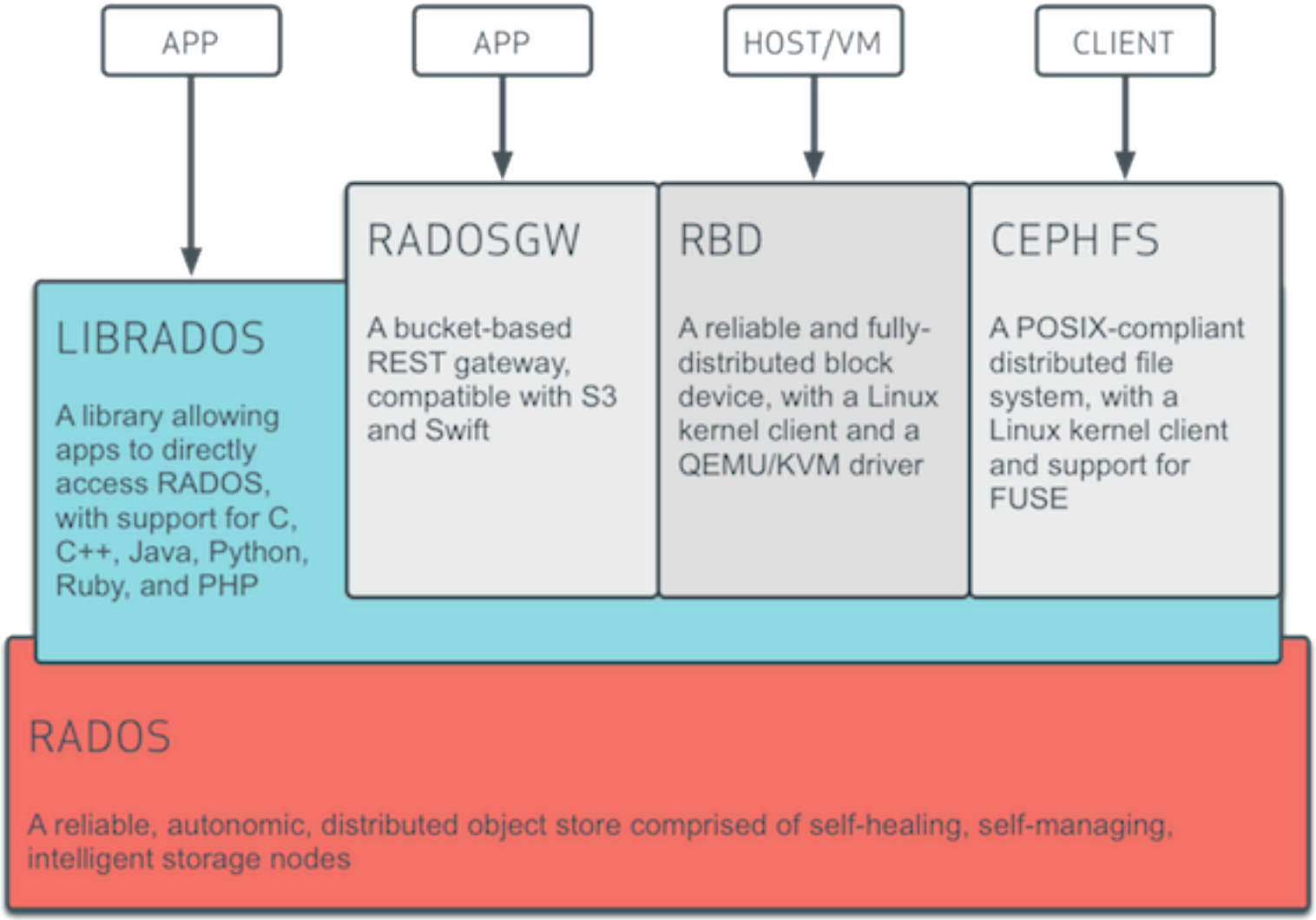

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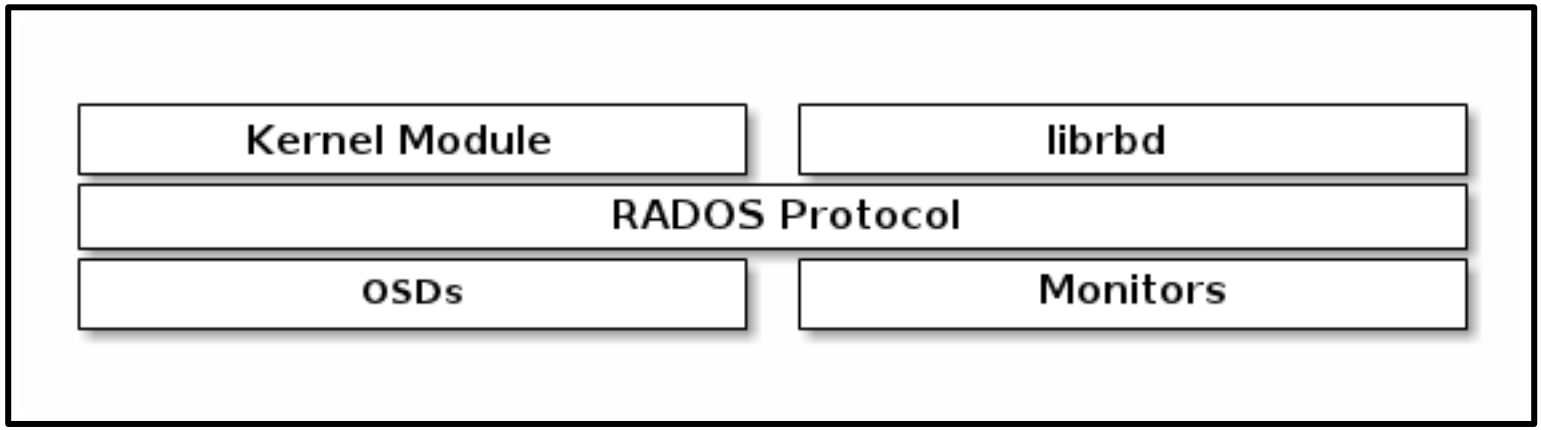
Ceph block devices are thin-provisioned, resizable and store data striped over multiple OSDs in a Ceph cluster



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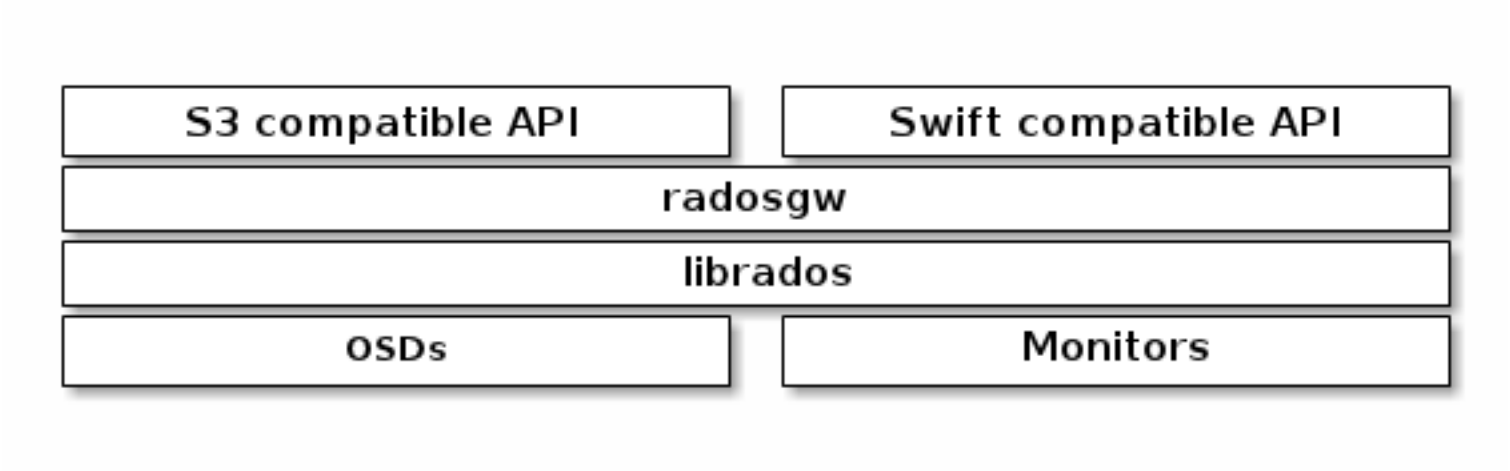

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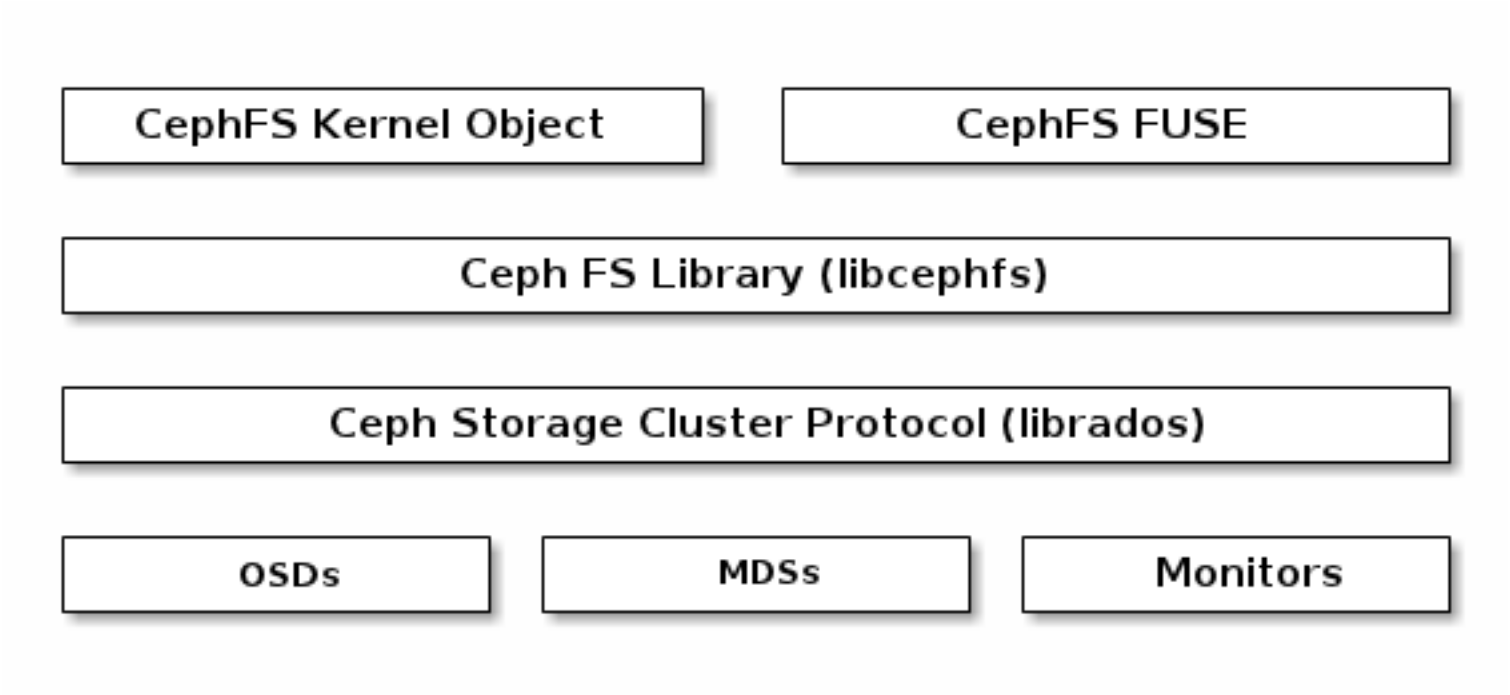

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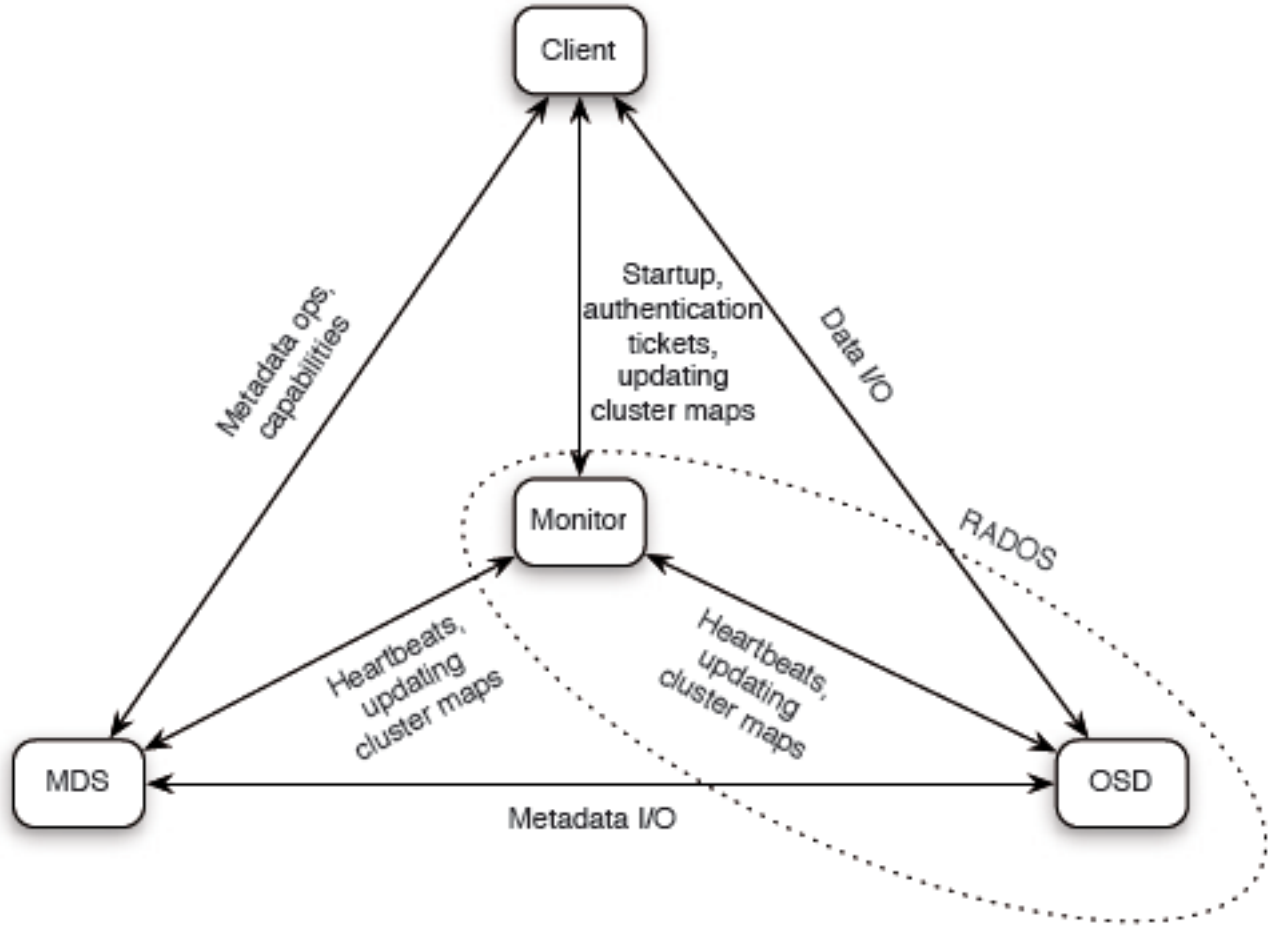

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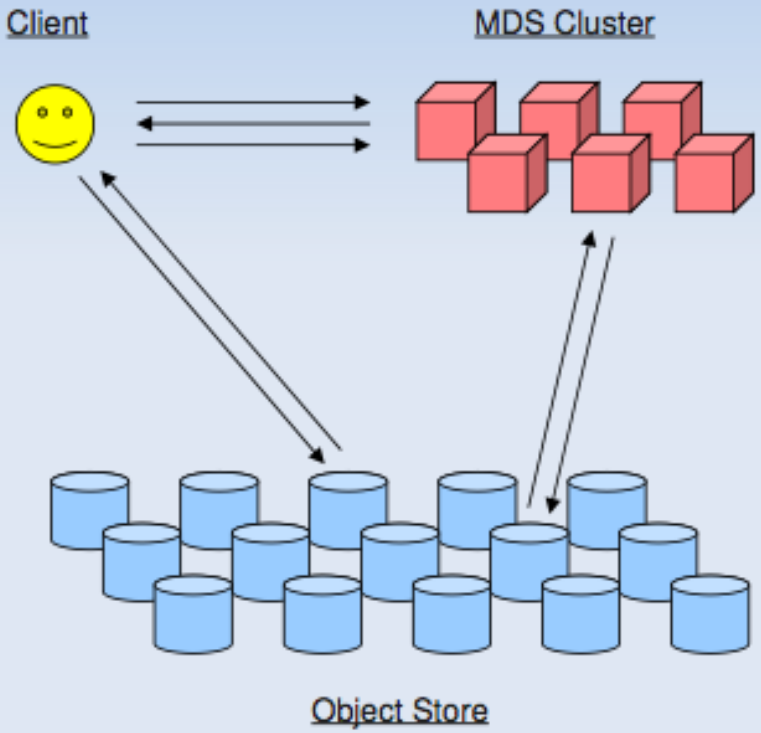
- fd=open("/foo/bar", O_RDONLY)
  - Client: requests open from MDS
  - MDS: reads directory /foo from object store
  - MDS: issues capability for file content
- read(fd, buf, 1024)
  - Client: reads data from object store
- close(fd)
  - Client: relinquishes capability to MDS



  - MDS out of I/O path
  - Object locations are well known–calculated from object name

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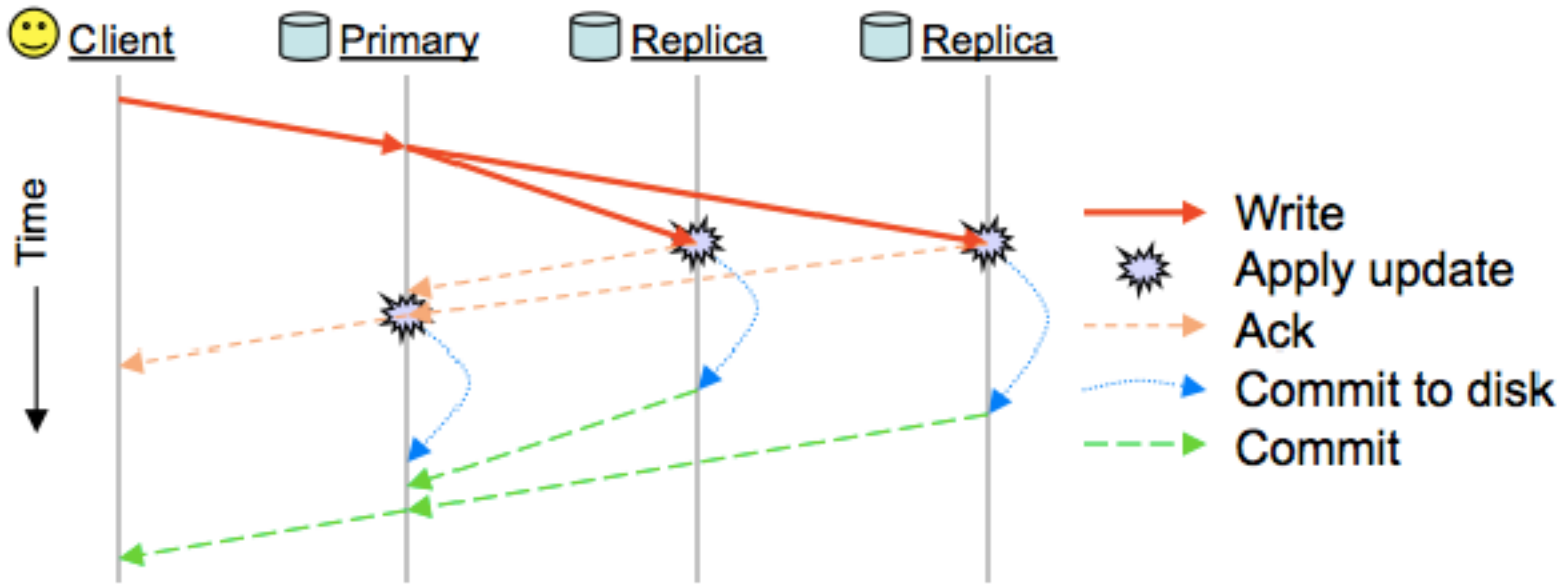

If, OSDs use Btrfs as their local file system, data is written asynchronously using copy-on-write, so that unsuccessful write operations can be fully rolled back.

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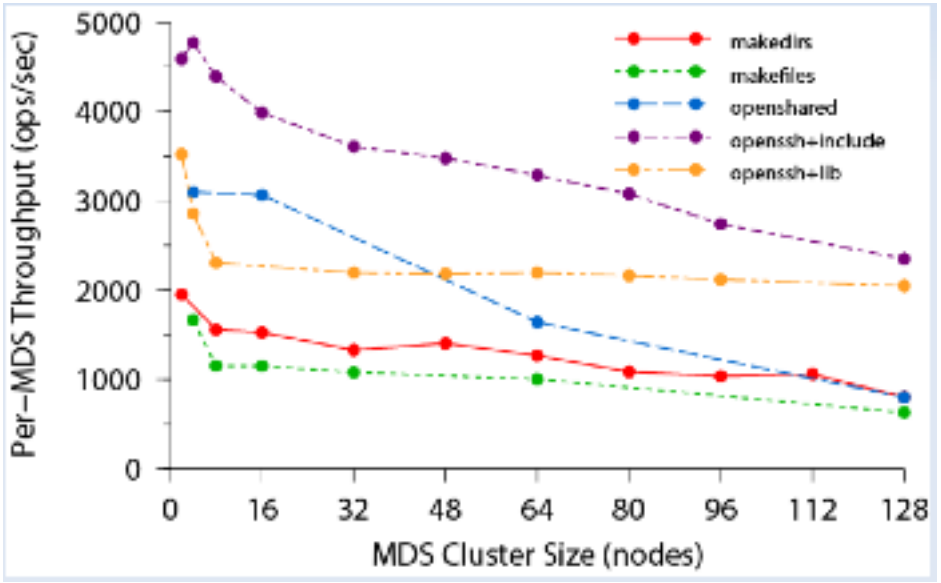

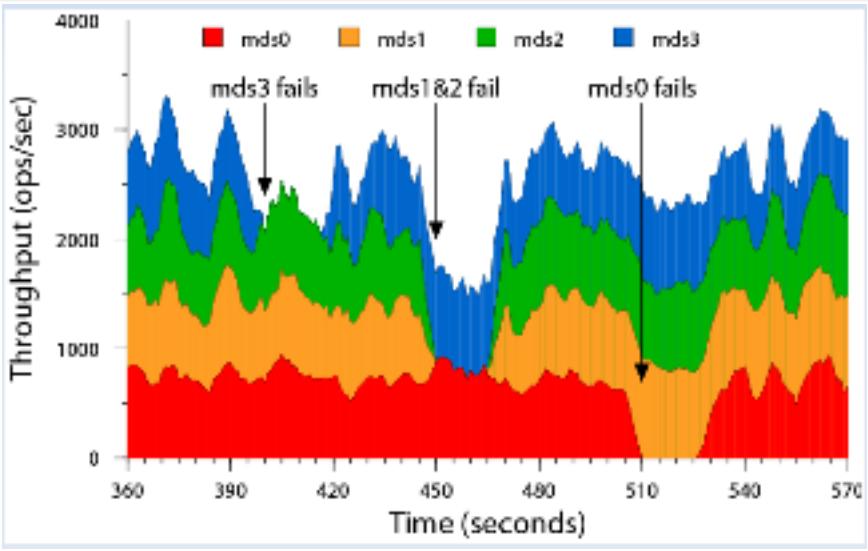

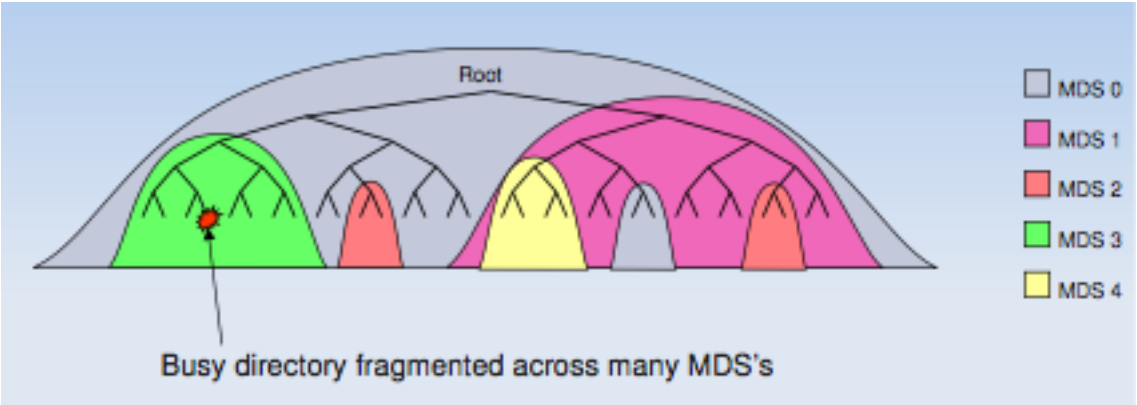

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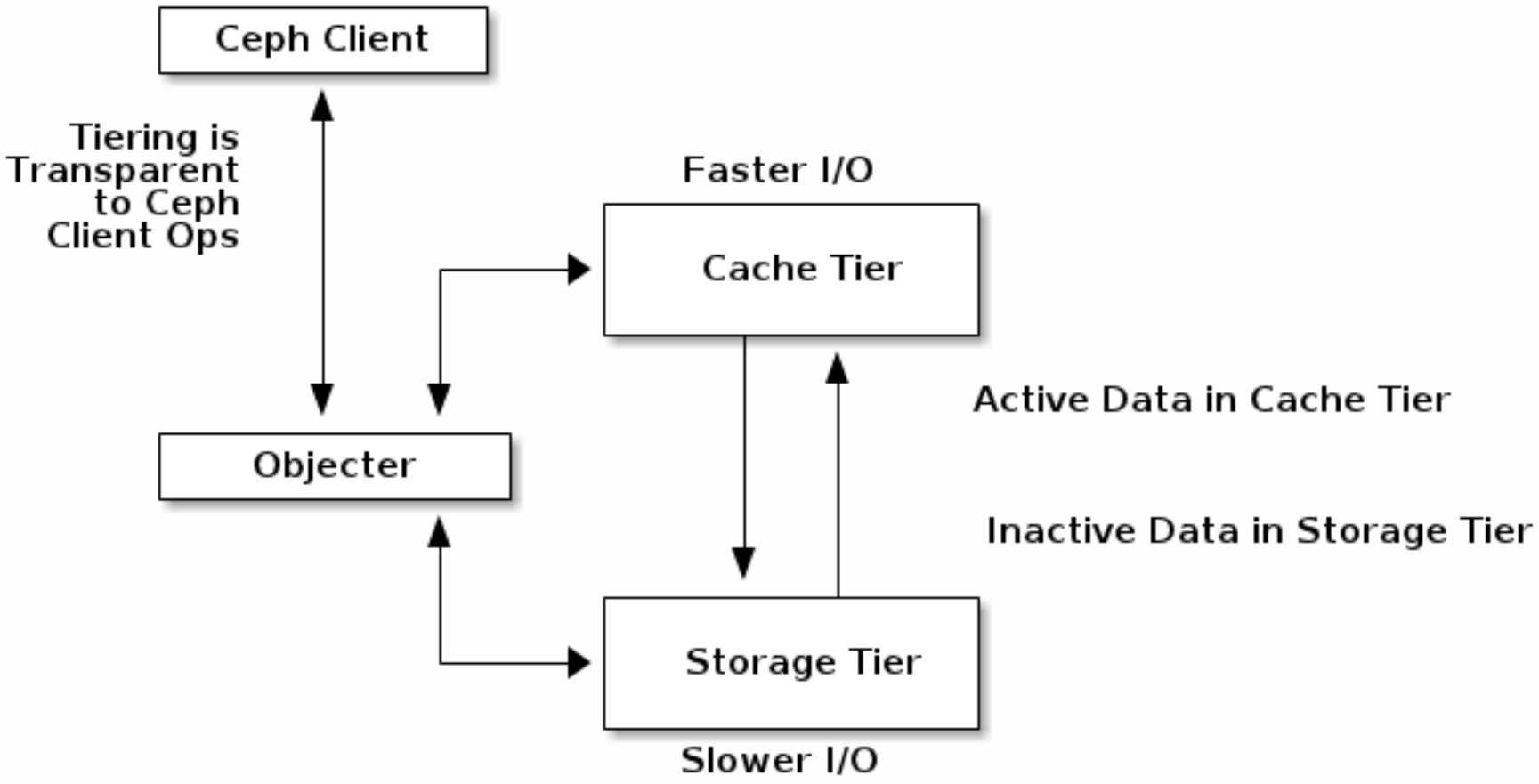

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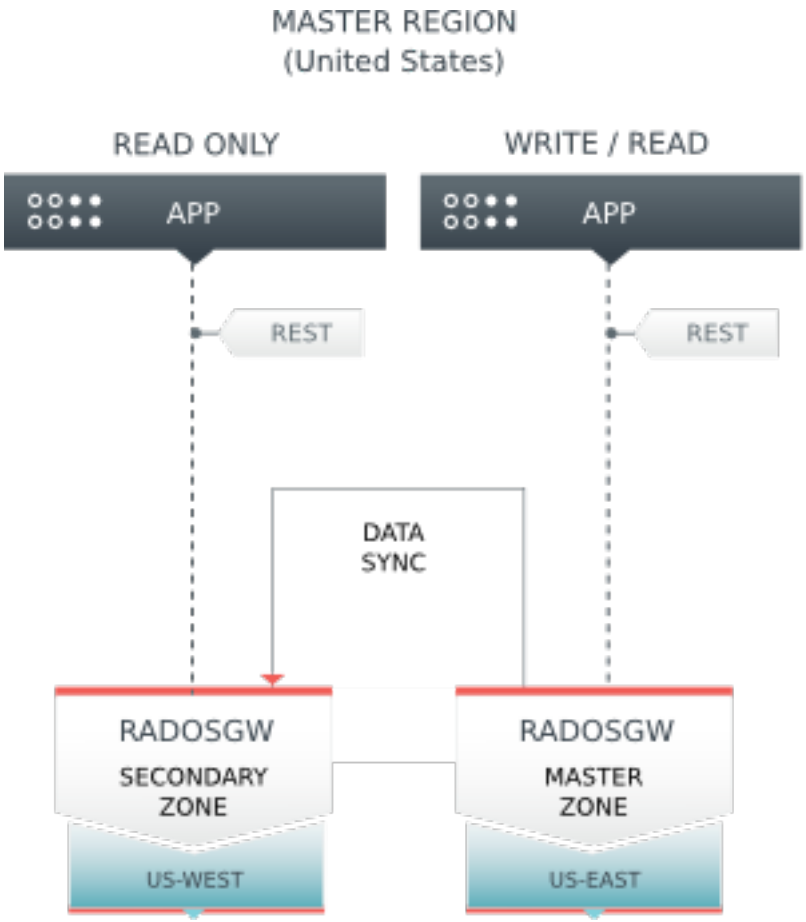
Region: A region represents a *logical* geographic area and contains one or more zones. A cluster with multiple regions must specify a master region.
Zone: A zone is a *logical* grouping of one or more Ceph Object Gateway instance(s). A region has a master zone that processes client requests.

Important Only write objects to the master zone in a region. You may read objects from secondary zones. Currently, the Gateway does not prevent you from writing to a secondary zone, but **DON'T DO IT**.



Architectural considerations – Redundancy and replication considerations

- Tradeoff between Cost vs. Reliability (use-case dependent)
- Use the Crush configs to map out your failures domains and performance pools
- Failure domains
  - Disk (OSD and OS)
  - SSD journals
  - Node
  - Rack
  - Site (replication at the RADOS level, Block replication, consider latencies)
- Storage pools
  - SSD pool for higher performance
  - Capacity pool
- Plan for failure domains of the monitor nodes
- Consider failure replacement scenarios, lowered redundancies, and performance impacts

Server Considerations

- **Storage Node:**
  - one OSD per HDD, 1 – 2 GB ram, and 1 Gz/core/OSD,
  - SSD's for journaling and for using the tiering feature in Firefly
  - Erasure coding will increase useable capacity at the expense of additional compute load
  - SAS JBOD expanders for extra capacity (beware of extra latency and oversubscribed SAS lanes)
- **Monitor nodes (MON):** odd number for quorum, services can be hosted on the storage node for smaller deployments, but will need dedicated nodes larger installations
- **Dedicated RADOS Gateway nodes** for large object store deployments and for federated gateways for multi-site

Networking Considerations

- **Dedicated or Shared network**
  - Be sure to involve the networking and security teams early when design your networking options
  - Network redundancy considerations
  - Dedicated client and OSD networks
  - VLAN's vs. Dedicated switches
  - 1 Gbs vs 10 Gbs vs 40 Gbs!
- **Networking design**
  - Spine and Leaf
  - Multi-rack
  - Core fabric connectivity
  - WAN connectivity and latency issues for multi-site deployments

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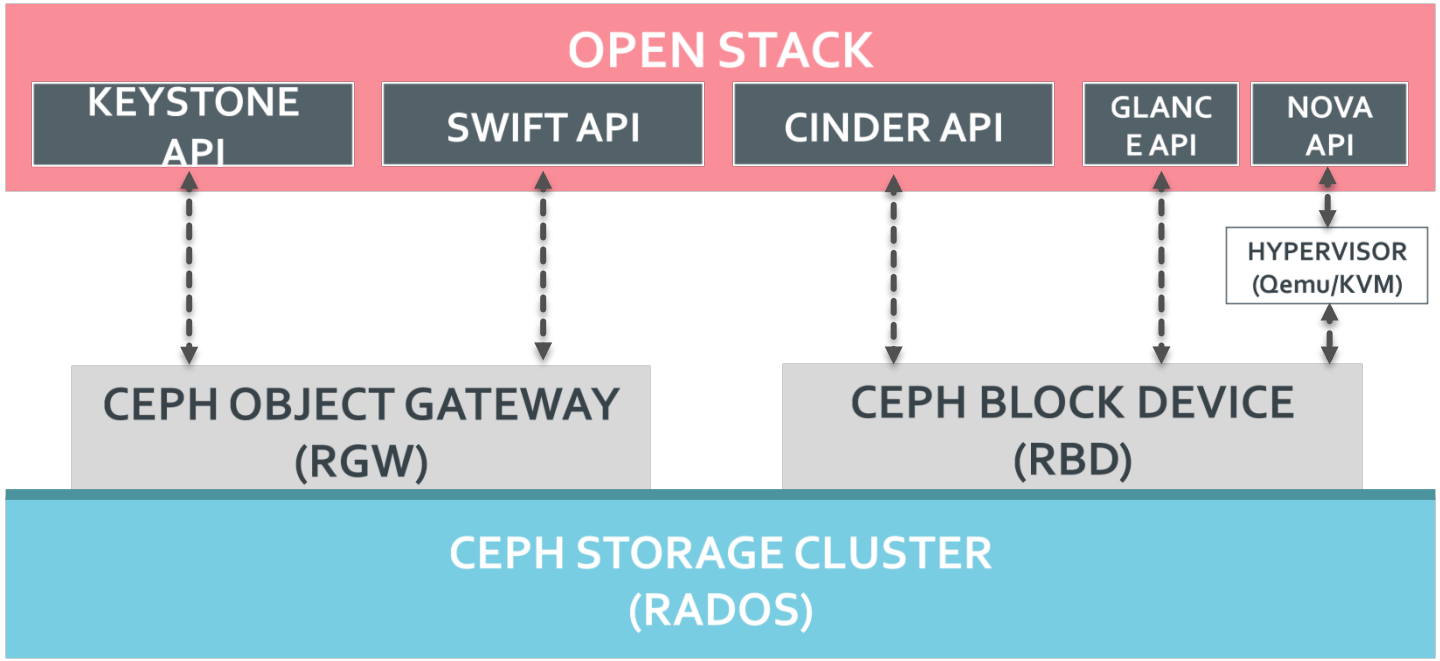

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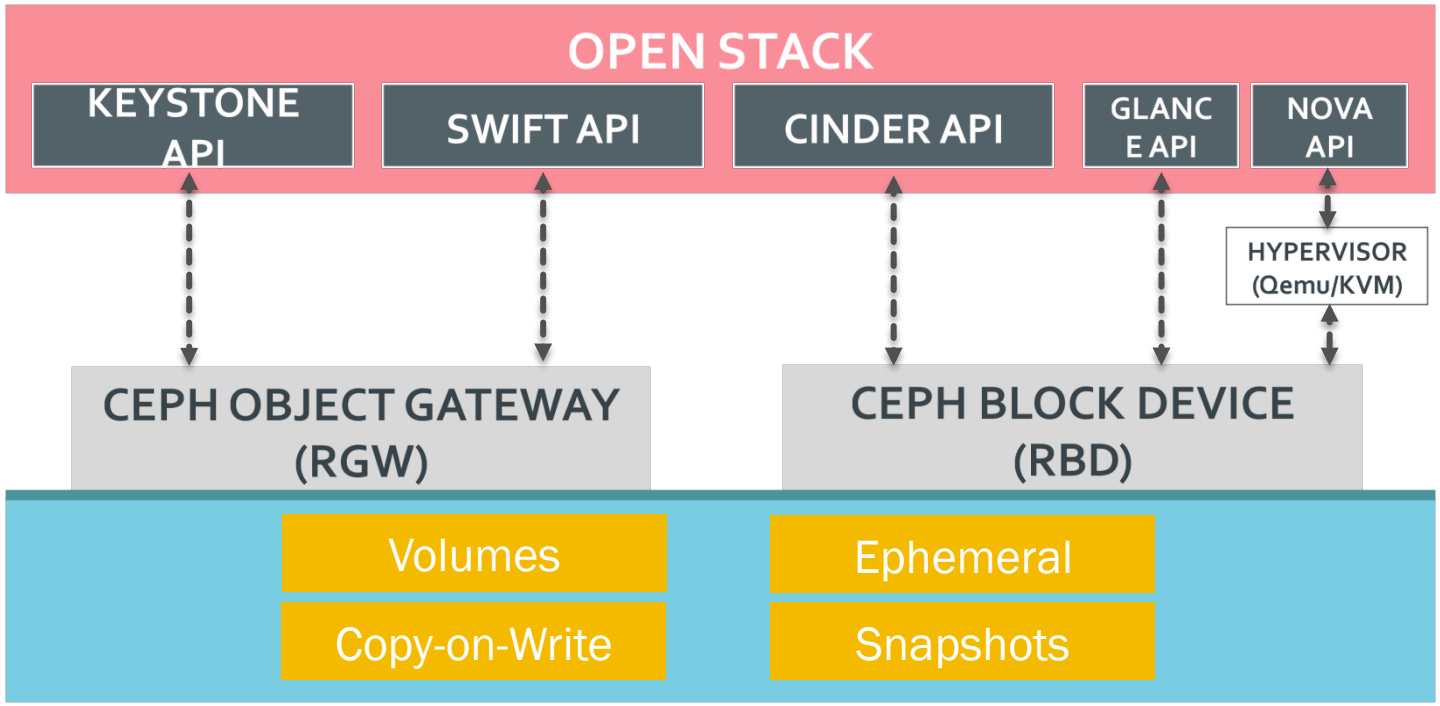

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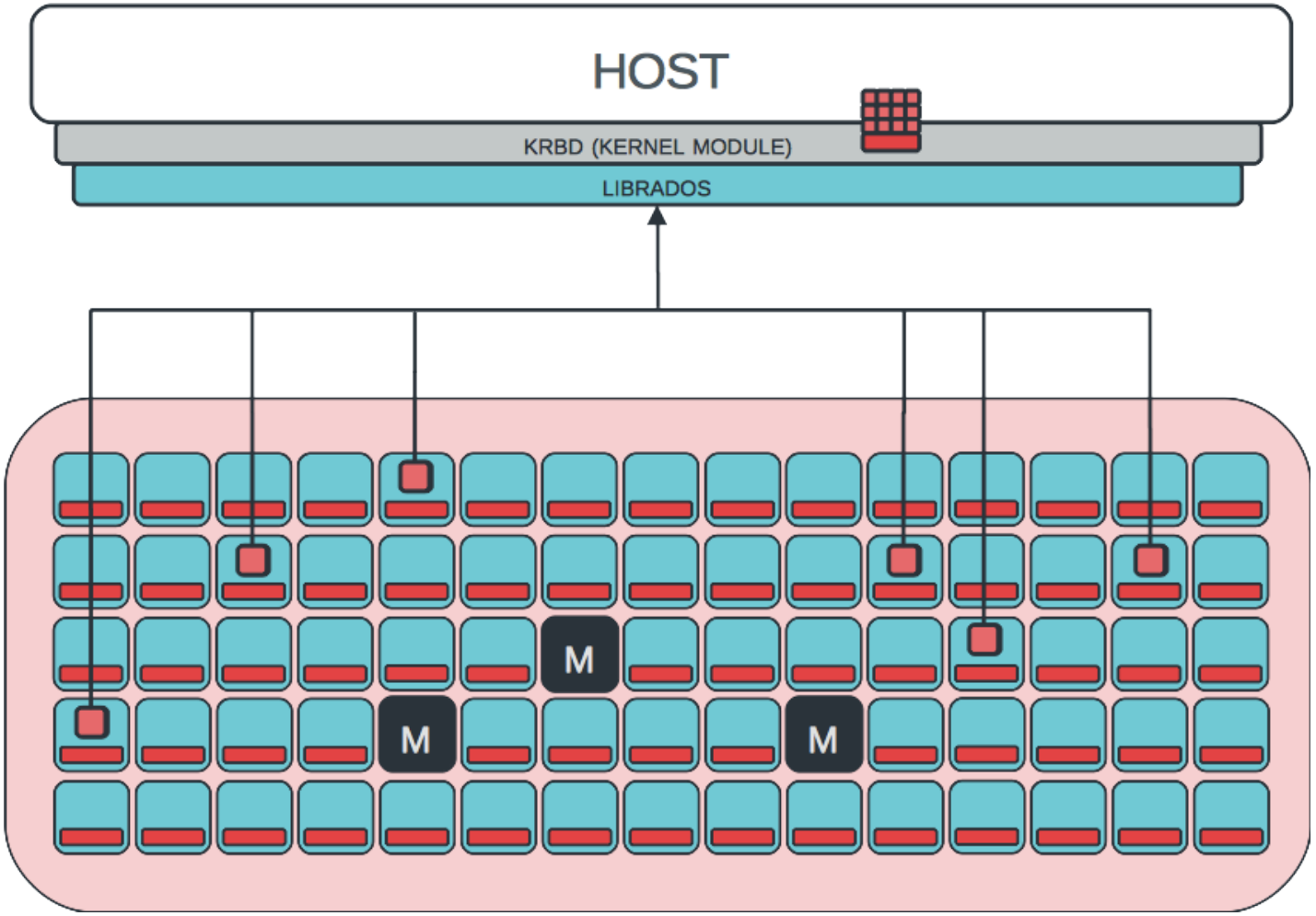

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