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Towards Cost-Performance Awareness in  
Fog-based Data Management Architectures



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# Background

- MS degree in Computer Science, University of Naples Federico II
- Fellowship: “Fellowship: *“Industry 4.0: Storing, Retrieving and Mining sensor data for Predictive Maintenance”* supported by AvioAero a GE Aviation Business

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# Collaborations

- AVIO AERO
- IVM
  - Octopus Project



# Experience Abroad

- L3S research center, Leibnitz University Hannover(Germany), interrupted because of CoViD-19.

# Training Activities

- Tutoring and supervision of Bachelor's Master's degree thesis activities in the Degree Commissions.
- Teaching activity:
  - Ingegneria del Software I
  - Ingegneria del Software II
  - Object Orientation
  - Basi Di Dati II
  - Tecnologie Web

# The Approached Problem

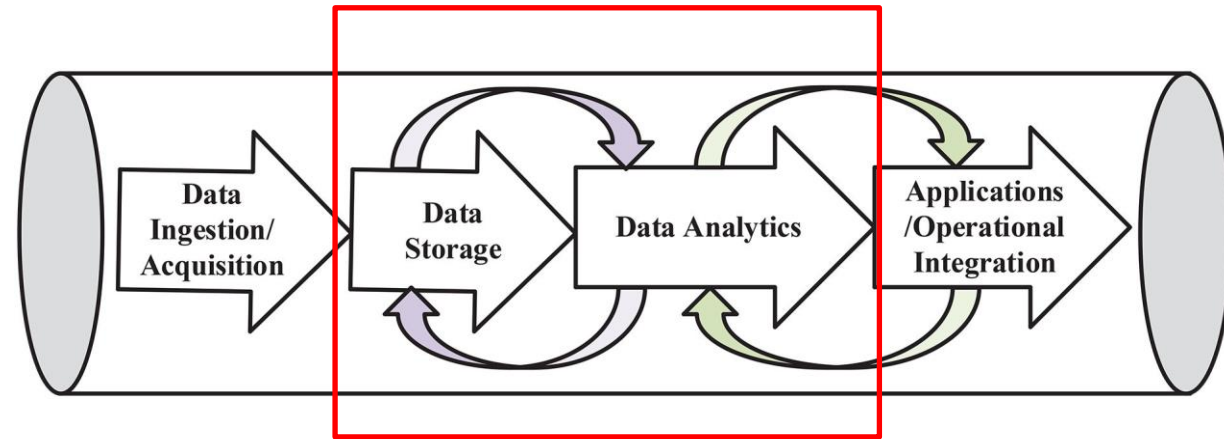


# Massive IoT Data Management

- According to various studies the number of IoT devices will dramatically increase in the next decade.
- Cisco estimated that in 2023 more than 5 billion people will use an internet connection, with an average of 3.6 connected devices per person that could potentially produce and consume data [1].
- IoT has been identified as one of the main sources of Big Data.

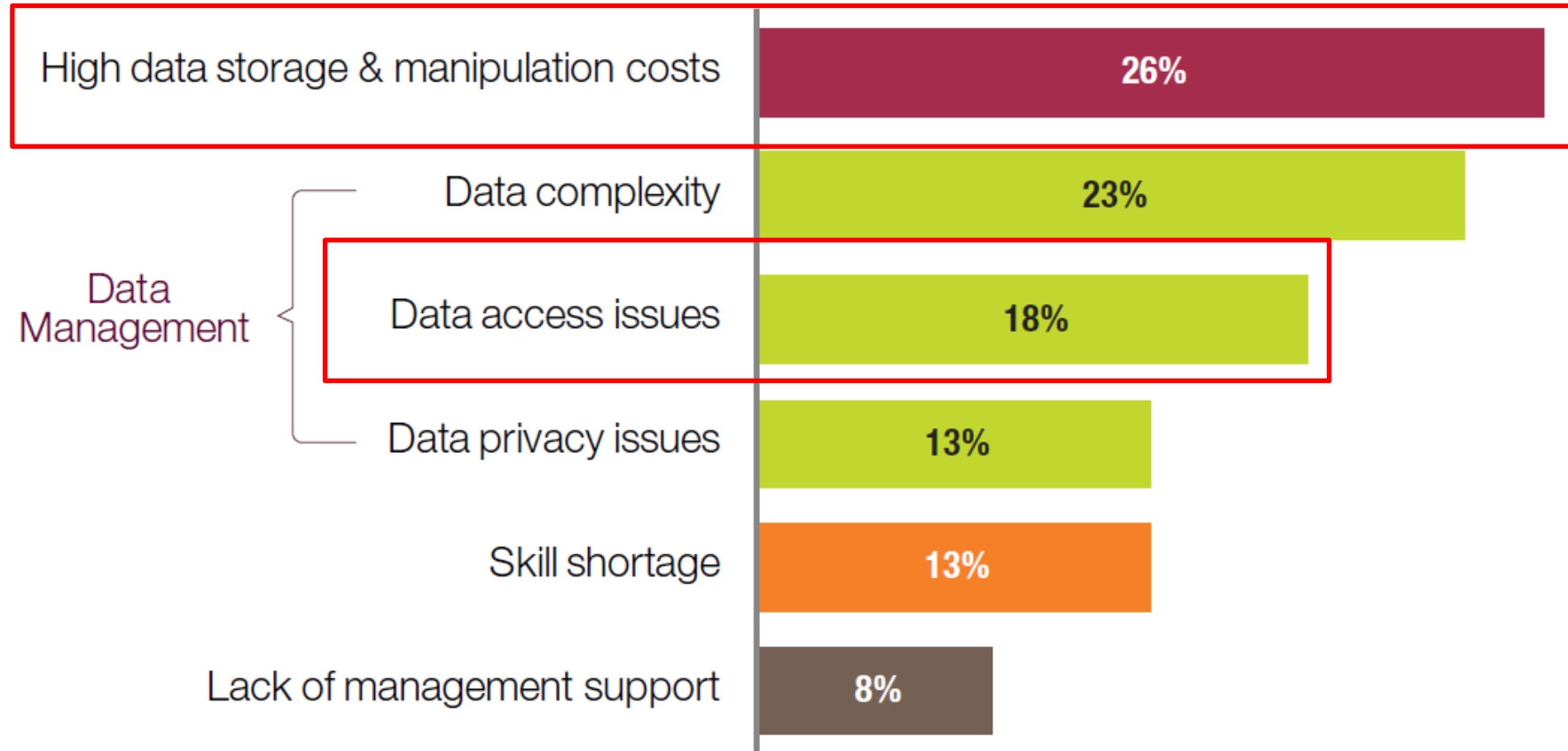
# Big Data & IoT

- IoT devices small or no computing capabilities.
- Storage and Analytics mostly on Cloud.



Key Stages of Big Data Analytics [22]

# Issues Limiting Big Data and Analytics



Top challenges in implementing IoT and Big Data Analytics in Industry 4.0 [2]

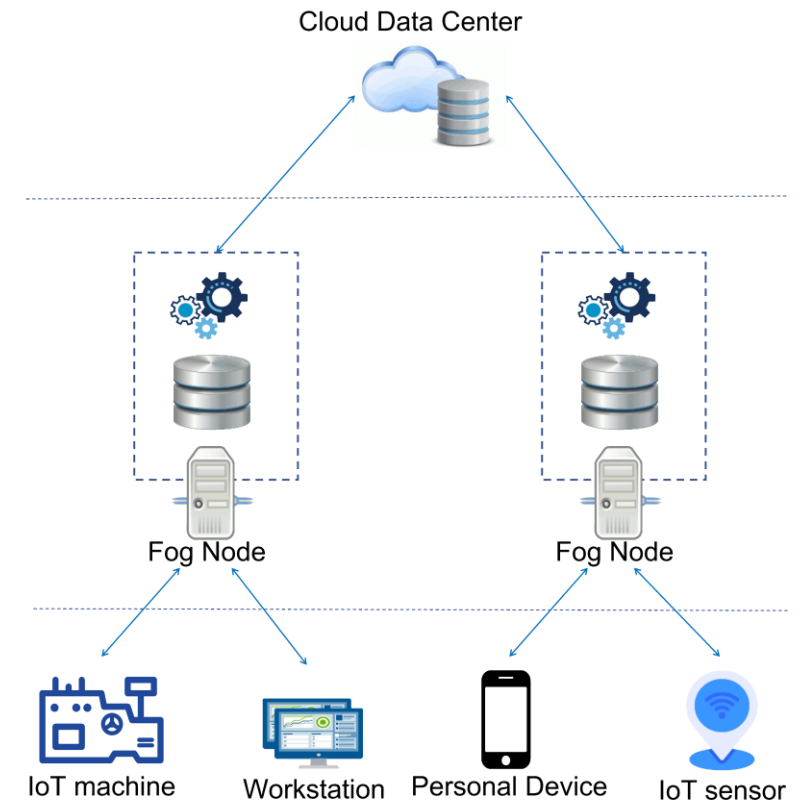
# The Approached Problem

Cost-effective data management in Cloud-centric architectures for massive (spatial) time-series.

- Very high frequency Time Series from Industrial IoT (IIoT).
- High frequency Spatial Time Series from Smart Cities.

# Actual Data Management Architectures

- **Cloud** centralized storage hosting production DBMSs and long-term backup.
- **Fog** support layer(s) to overcome Cloud limits, i.e., response delay [20].
- **IoT/Edge** producing and consuming data streams, i.e., Time-series.



# Research Questions & Contributions

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1. Are COTS DBMSs, on single nodes, capable of providing adequate and reliable performance for the ingestion and recovery of massive data streams?
2. How much do the characteristics of the Fog node impact of the performance of data management architecture?
3. Can Fog layer's location-awareness and analytical workloads' knowledge improve the cost-performance ratio of a multilayered data management architecture?

# Contributions

- An extended study on Commercial Off The Shelf (COTS) DBMSs in managing IoT multidimensional data
- Assessment of COTS DBMSs combined with an empirical assessment through real-world datasets.
- A hybrid Cloud-Fog architecture focused on both cost and performance effectiveness.



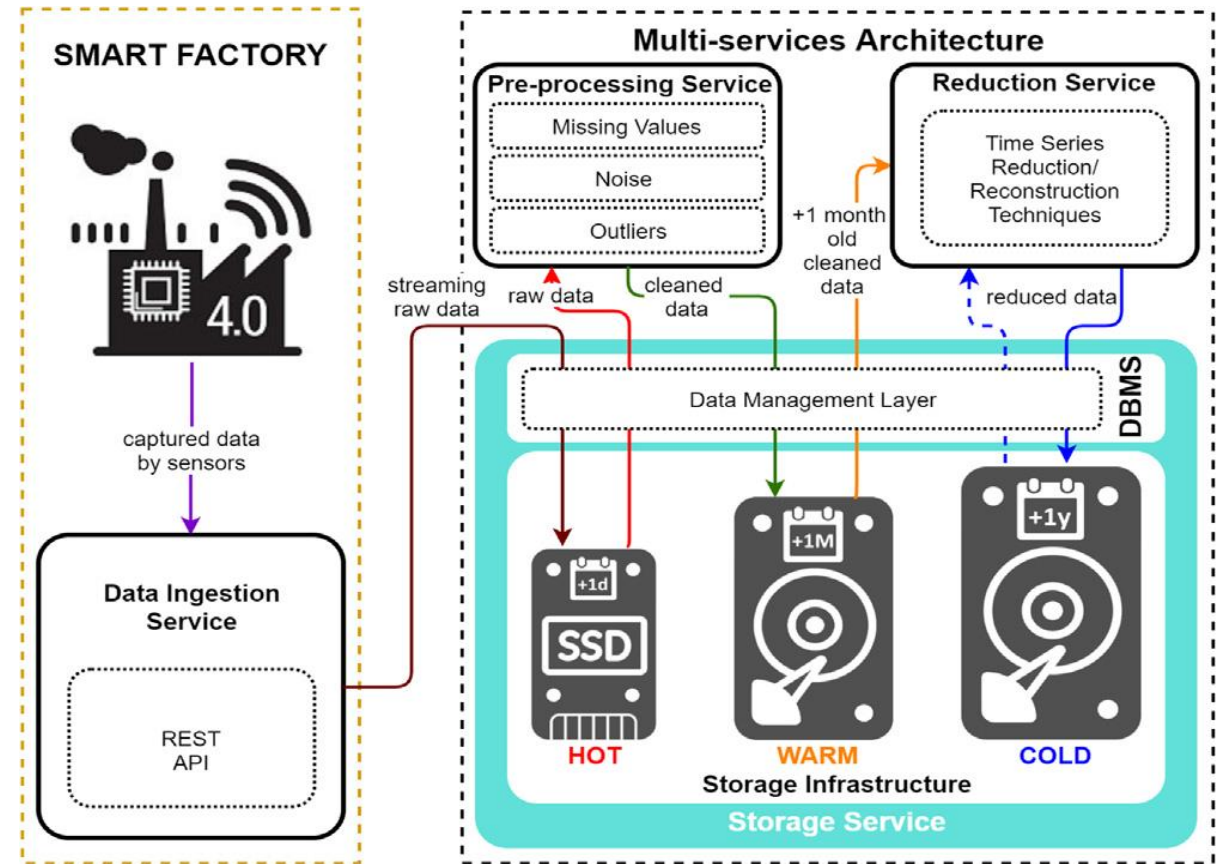
# Contributions

- An extensible tool aimed at evaluating Fog Storage Offloading approaches in hybrid Cloud-Fog environments.
- A metric that integrates those currently used for the cost-benefit evaluation of a multilevel architecture.

# Background & Related Works

# Smart Factories

- Cloud Central Storage [4]
- Fog:
  - Local storage and processing [3]
  - Transparent caching [5]

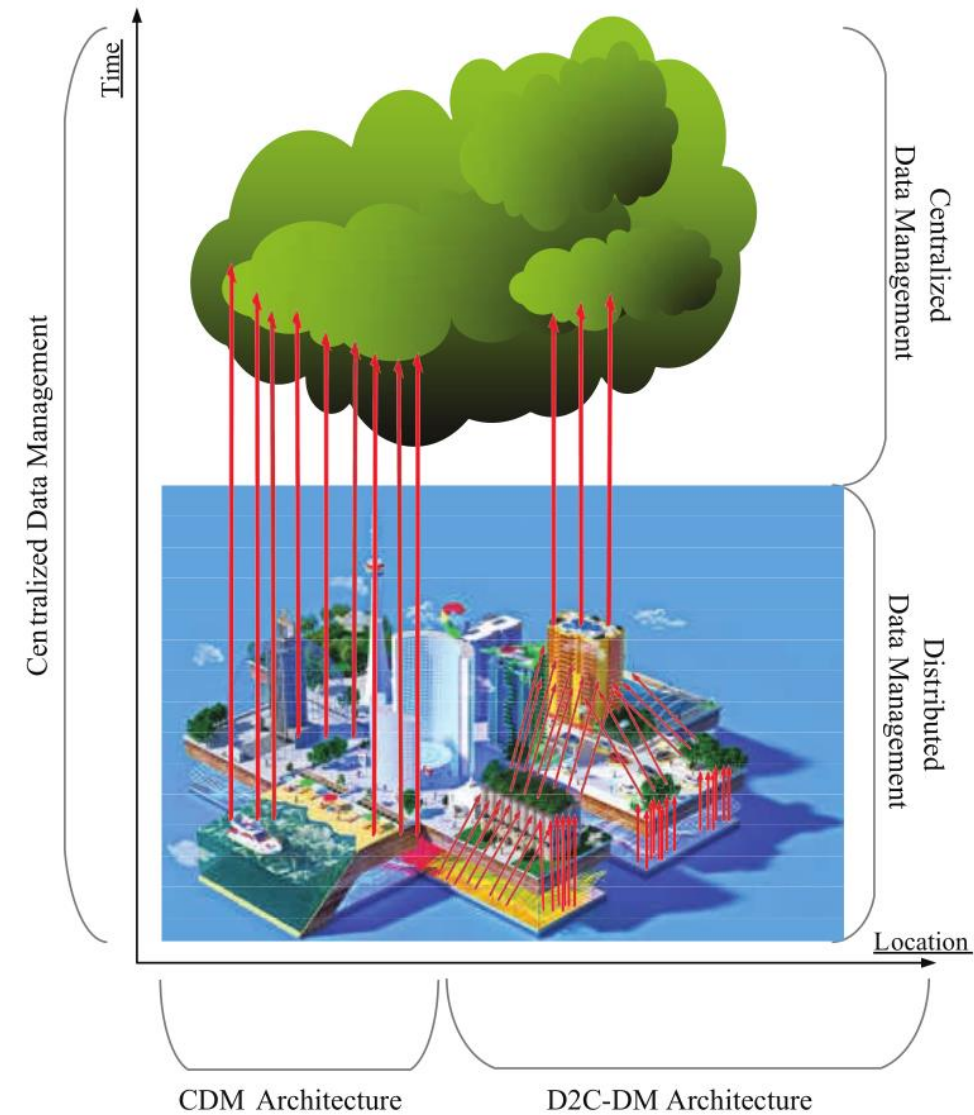


Cloud-centered storage for cost savings [4]

# Smart Cities

## Deployed Architectures[6,7,8]

- Centralized Data Management (CDM) [6]
- Distributed to CDM (D2CDM):
  - Fog to cloudlet to CDM (F2c2CDM)[7,8]

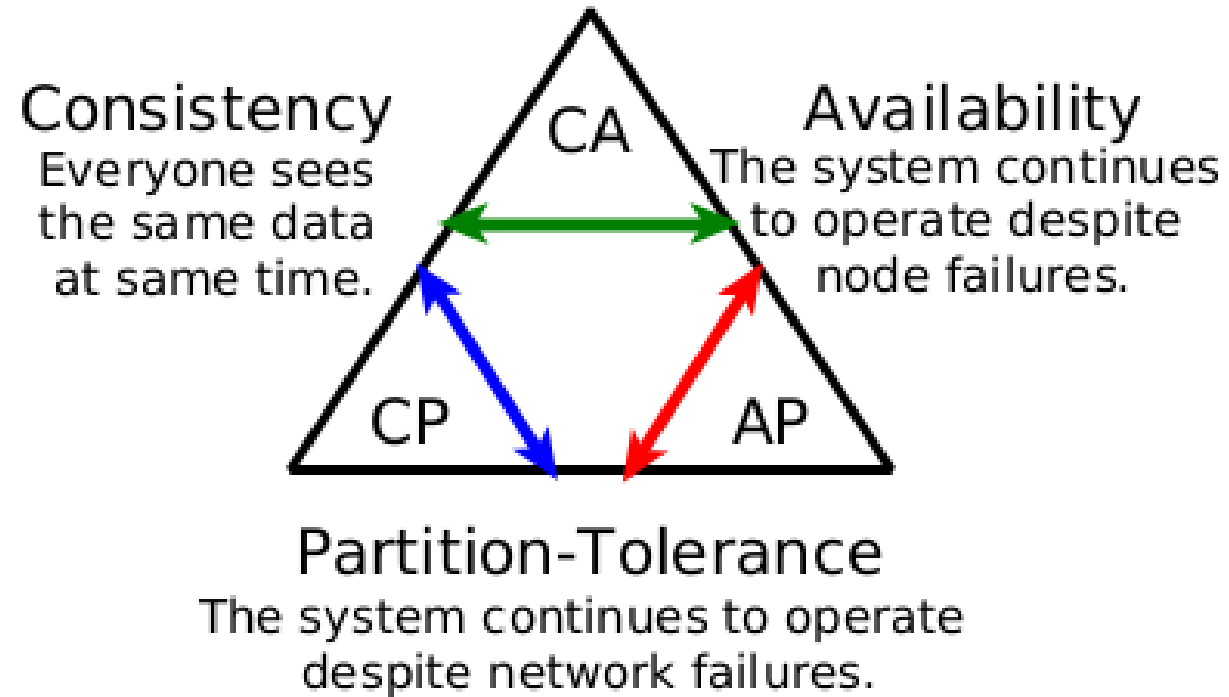


CDM and D2CDM overview [7]

# Storing & Retrieving (Spatial) Time-Series

DBMSs employed in (spatial) time-series storage:

- NoSQL (mostly CP,AP)[9]
- TSMS (any) [10]
- RDBMS (CA)

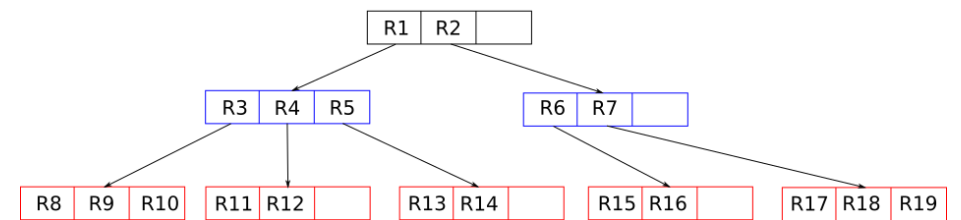
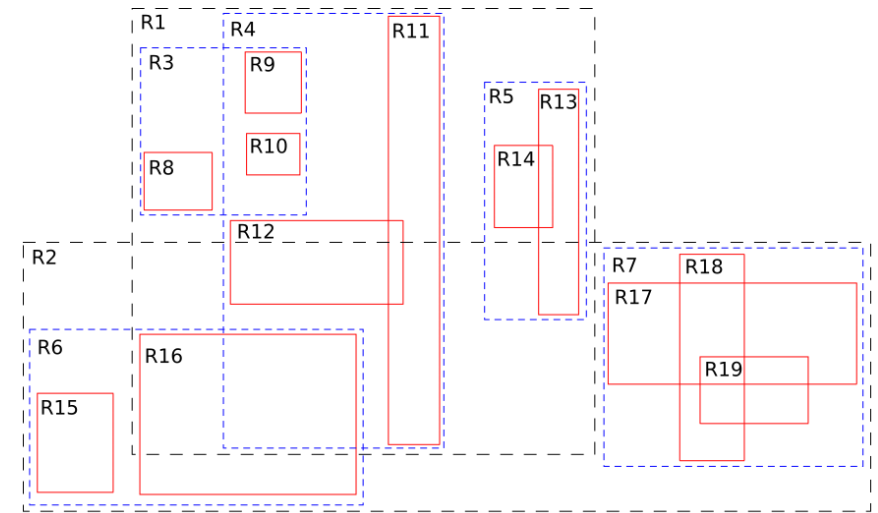


Brewer's CAP theorem[11] DBMS classification

# Storing & Retrieving (Spatial) Time-Series

Choosing based on indexing capabilities:

- Indexes types?
  - Mono/multi-dim, tree-structured, inverted-list
- Spatial indexing?
  - R-tree, BRIN, etc.
- Secondary indexing?
  - Native,



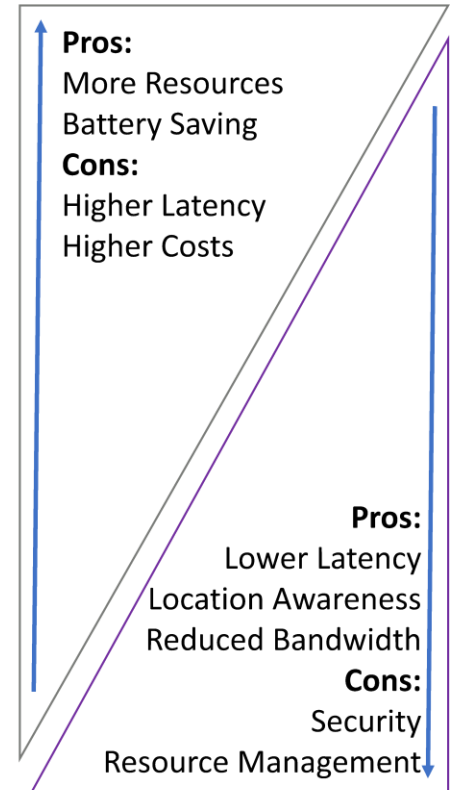
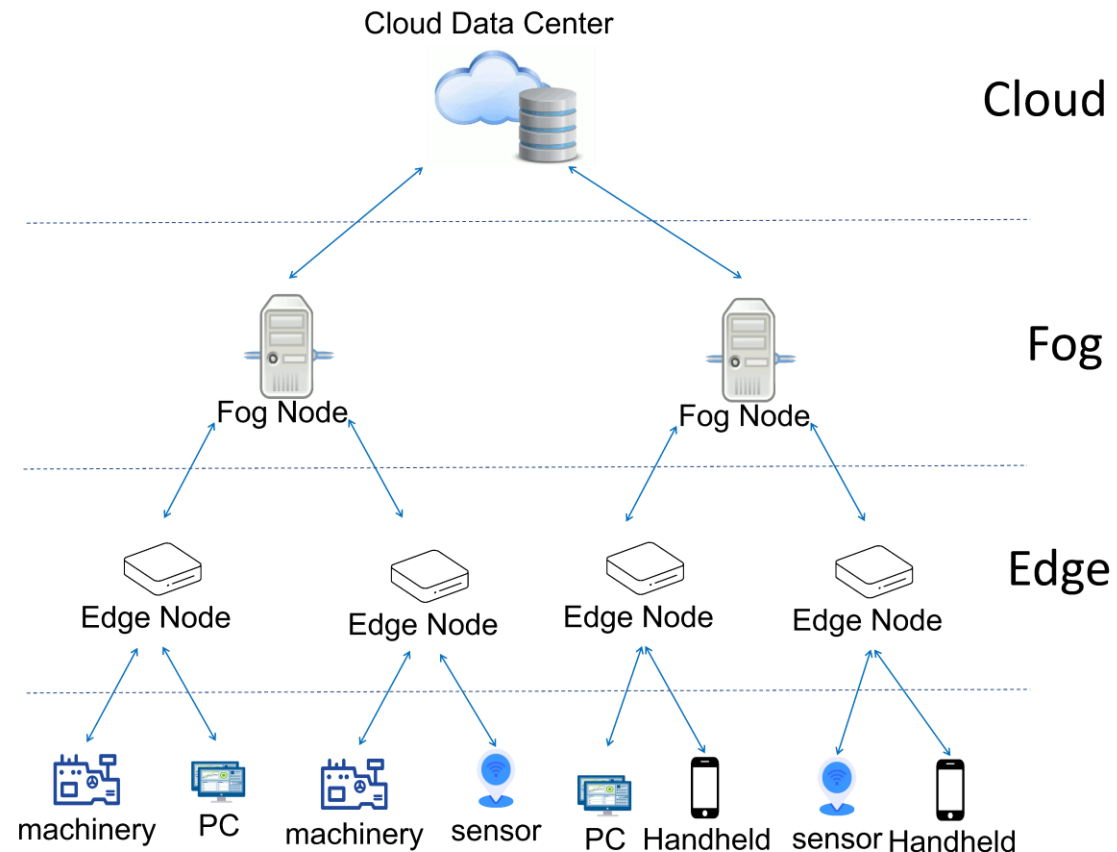
R-tree for spatial indexing []

# Task Offloading

The offloading practice mainly focuses on computation.

Offloading types[12]:

- Full
- Partial
- Mixed



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# A Recent Trend: Fog Storage Offloading

Storage as a Service (SaaS) on Fog is a recent trend [13].

Identified Storage approaches:

- Caching [14]
- Pre-fetching [15]
- Local-storage [16]

Possible behaviours:

- Passive
- Active
- Pro-Active



# Benchmarking Tools

- Yahoo Cloud Serving Benchmark (YCSB) [17]
  - Allows for CRUD traffic tuning (op. mix, no parameters).
  - Focused on delay reduction in Cloud storage, neglects costs.
- TPCx-IoT [18] industrial-grade benchmark based on YCSB
  - Metrics for cost-performance(\$/time) evaluation of IoT gateway systems.
  - Allows inbound traffic tuning, NO analytic workload tuning.

# Simulation Tools

Cutting edge Fog simulation tools[20] iFogSim, FogTorch, FogDirMine, FogNetSim:

- Mostly focused on infrastructure simulation.
- Non-trivial effort for extension and simulation of specific contexts.

# Cost Modeling

Most commonly charged aspects

- Up-time
- Disk-space
- Bandwidth

Other depending on CSP

Most common cost factors in View Materialization[20]:

$$Cost = C_{computing} + C_{storage} + C_{transfers}$$

- Time to compute views
- Storage space to store them
- Transfer data amount

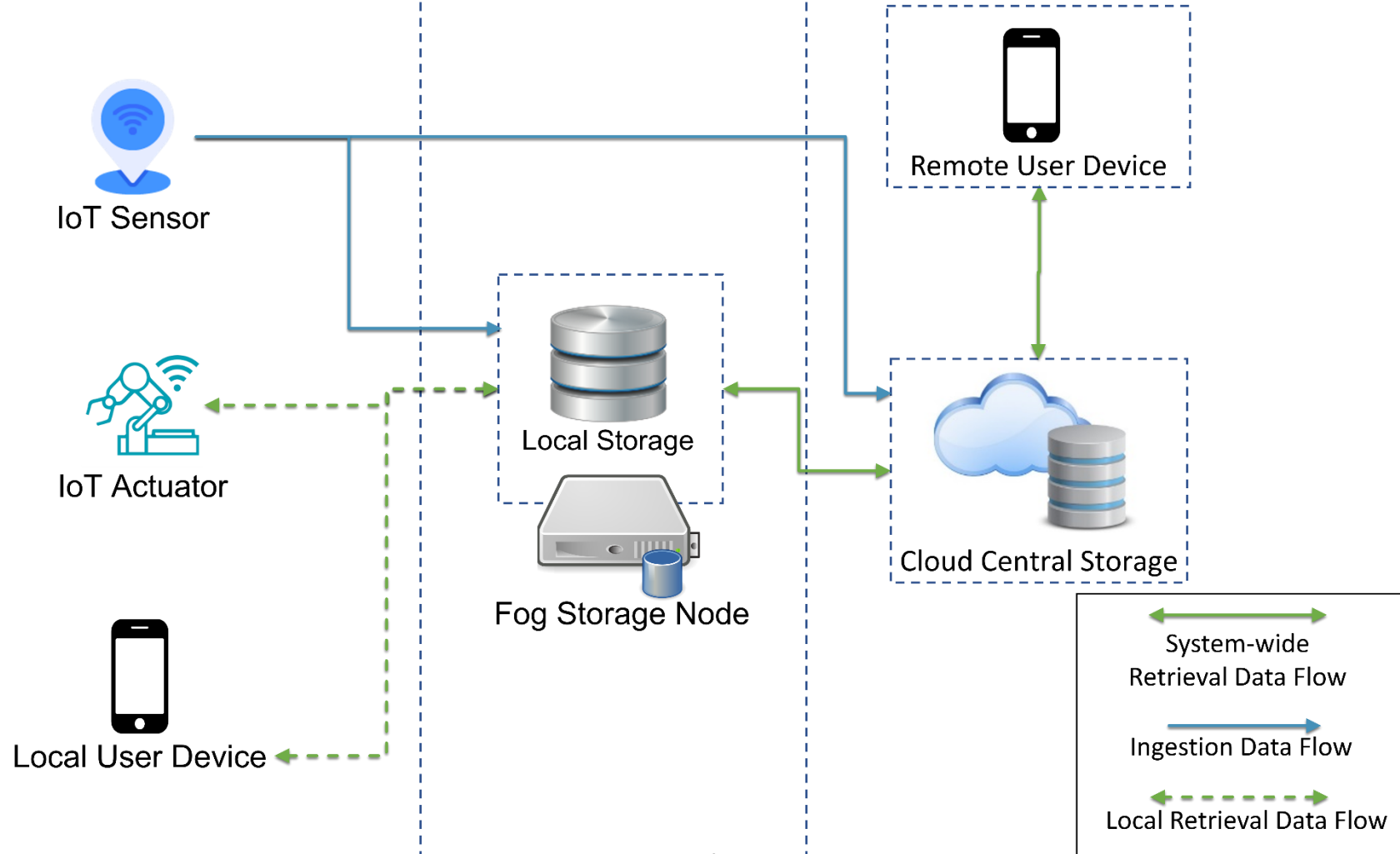
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IoT/Edge Layer

Fog Layer

Cloud Layer



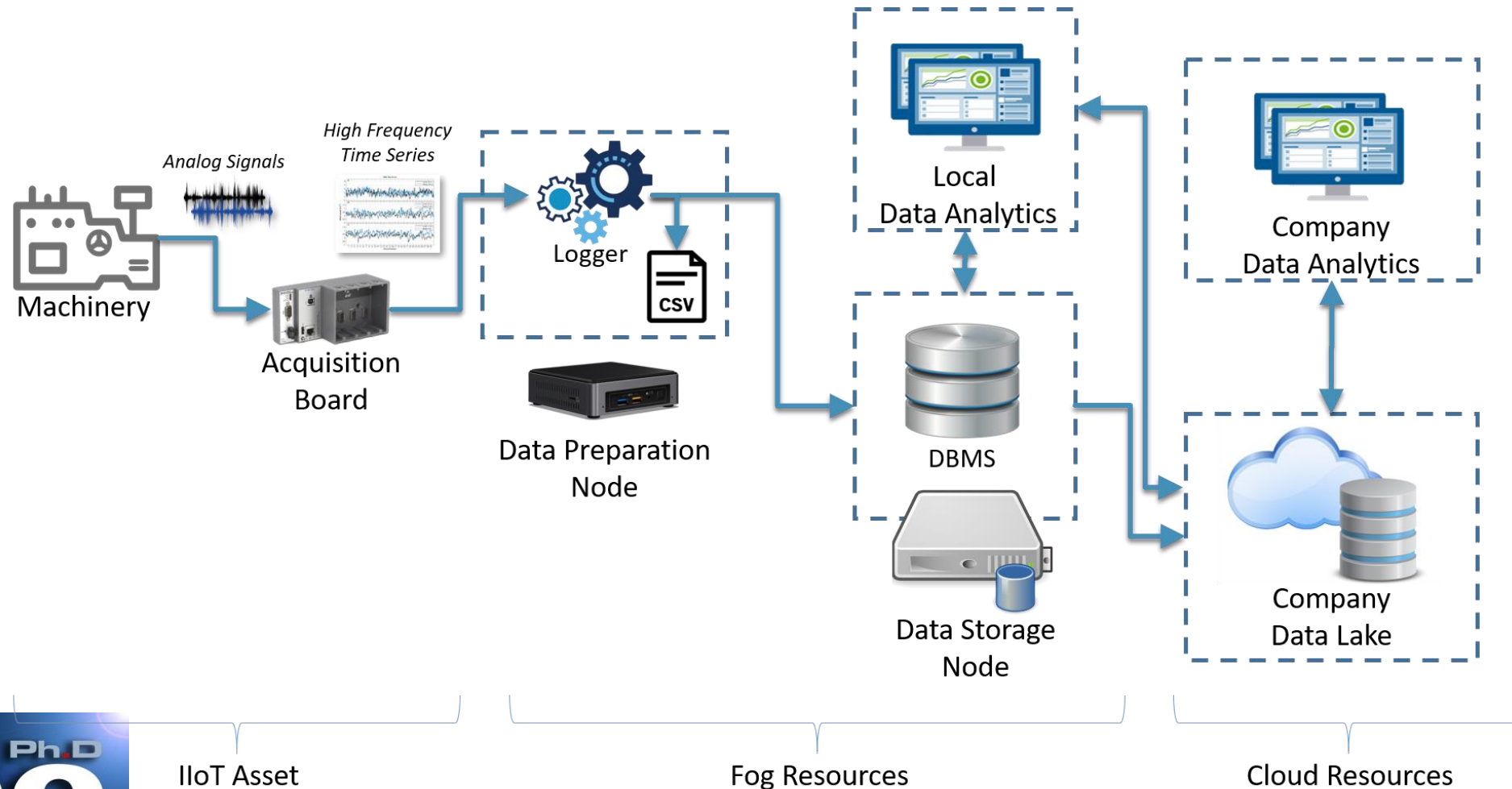
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# The Proposed Hybrid Architecture

- Focused on Costs
- Fog is an active part of Data Management Architecture
- Combine Fog Location-Awareness with Workload Knowledge

# Assessing IoT Data Management In Hybrid Environments

# The Deployed IIoT Architecture





# Handling High Frequency IIoT

Investigated DBMS on single node:

- Cassandra
- MongoDB
- InfluxDB
- PostgreSQL
- Clustered PostgreSQL

Company Constraints:

- Local and centralized analytics.
- Storage redundancy.
- IIoT data stored locally.
- Off-line data replication in Data Lake.

# Handling High Frequency IIoT

Considered dataset:

- 600 million points over two days.
- 1 query with 3 different filters

Considered configurations:

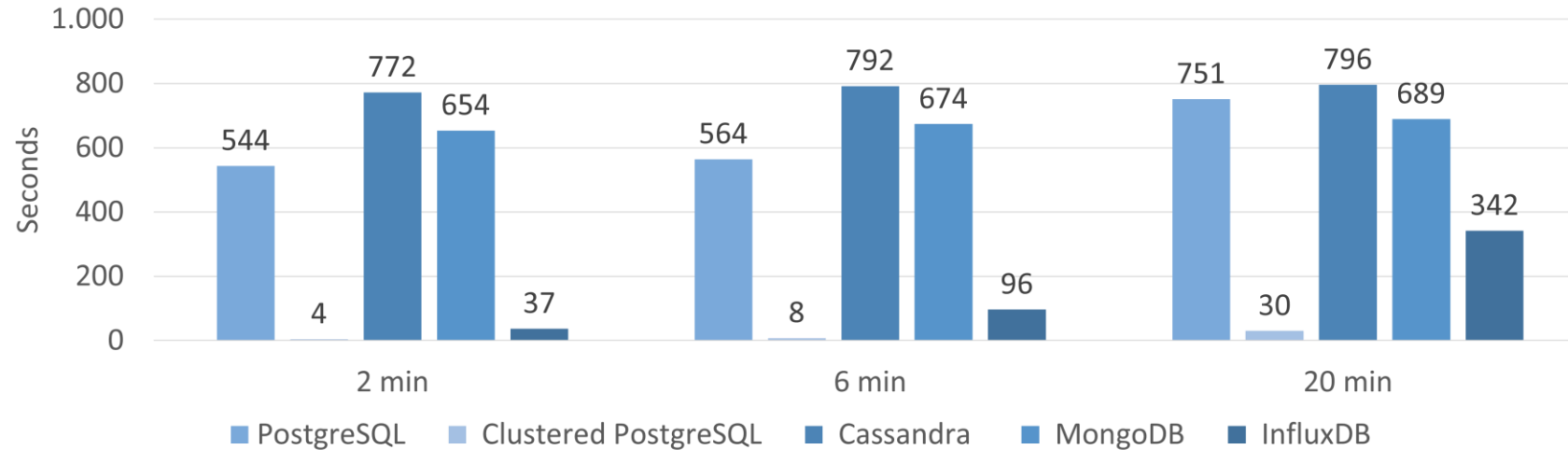
- With secondary indexes
- Without secondary indexes

KPI

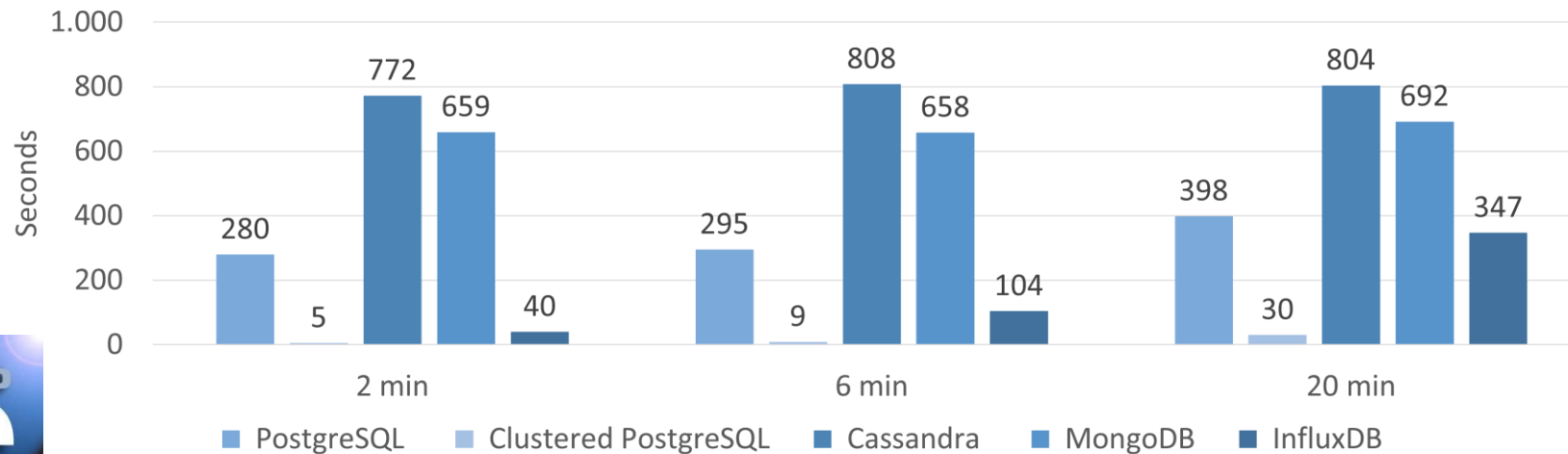
- Ingestion Time
- Retrieval Time
  - Primary index
  - Secondary index
- Disk Usage

# Retrieval on Massive Time Dimension

Time Query - Indexed Configuration



Time Query - Not-Indexed Configuration



# Results

1. **InfluxDB**: low performance without secondary indexes.
2. **Clustered PostgreSQL**: better performances with indexes , require additional efforts after ingestion.
3. **PostgreSQL**: better performance with secondary indexes
4. **MongoDB**: good performance and disk usage.
5. **Cassandra**: worst performance, unreliable.

# Spatial Time-Series

# Handling Spatial Time-Series

Investigated DBMS on single node:

- PostgreSQL+PostGIS
- Clustered PostgreSQL+PostGIS
- TimescaleDB

KPI

- Retrieval Time
- Disk Usage

# Stationary Time-Series

Parking Monitoring System, 275 million points, 2011 to 2017.

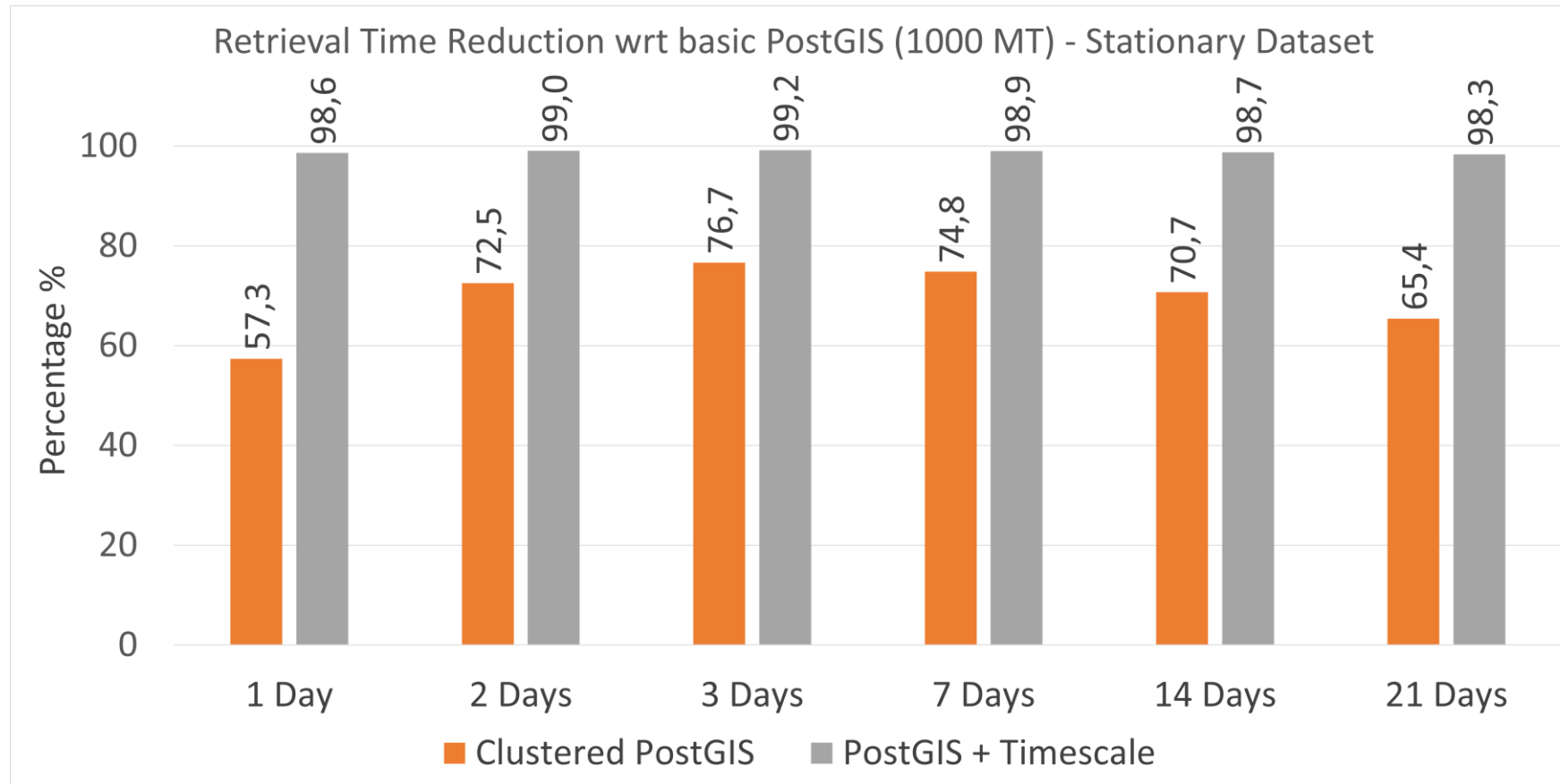
## Indexing Configurations:

- Temporal: B-tree
- Spatial: R-tree

## Filters:

- 1,3,7,14,21 days
- 100,500,1000 meters

# Retrieval Time Reduction





# Non-Stationary Time-Series

Railway Monitoring System, 58 million points, 30 days.

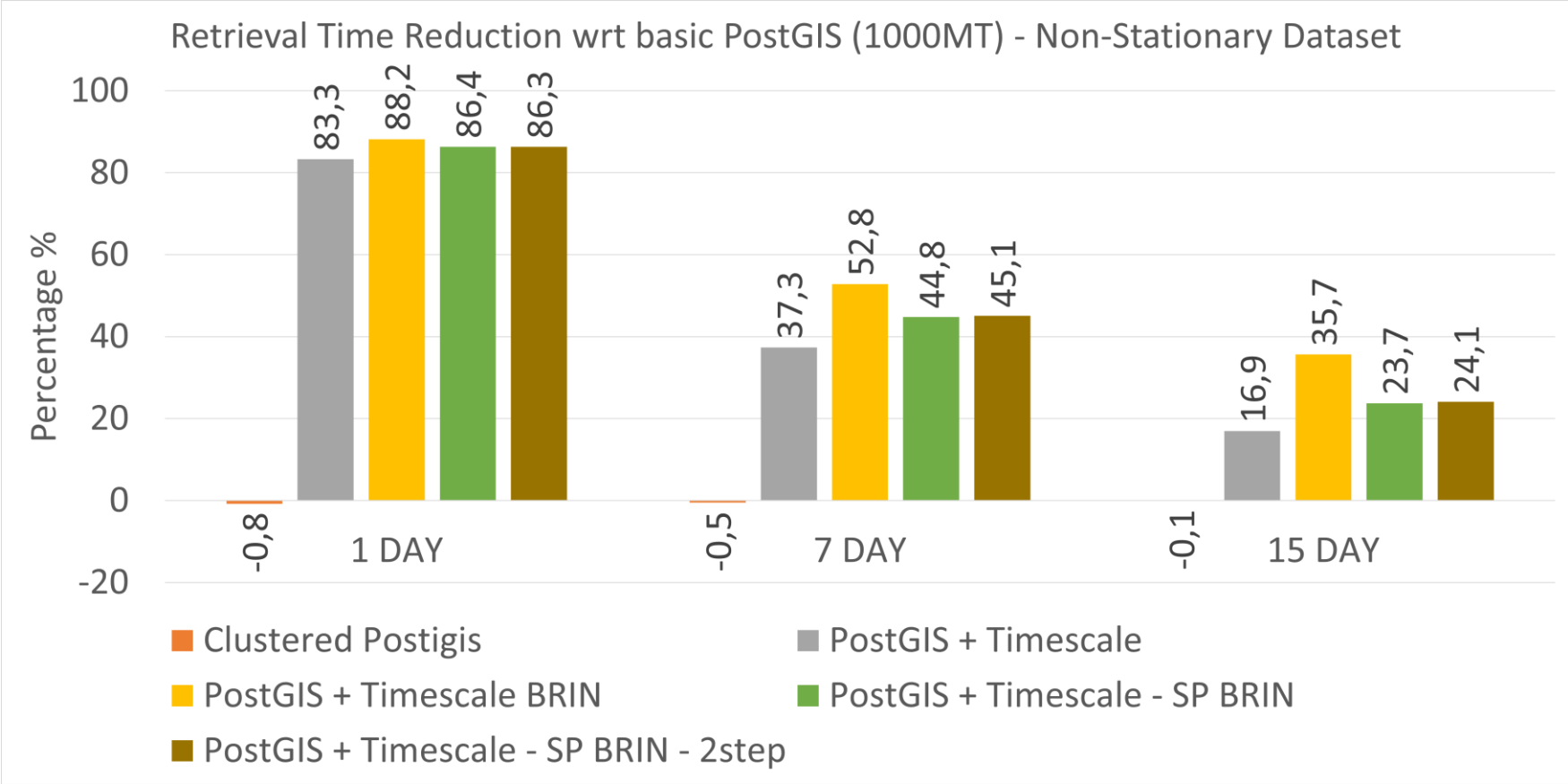
## Indexing Configurations:

- Temporal: B-tree
- Spatial: R-tree, Brin, R-tree  
Secondary Partitioning (SP), Brin  
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## Filters:

- 1,3,7,14,21 days
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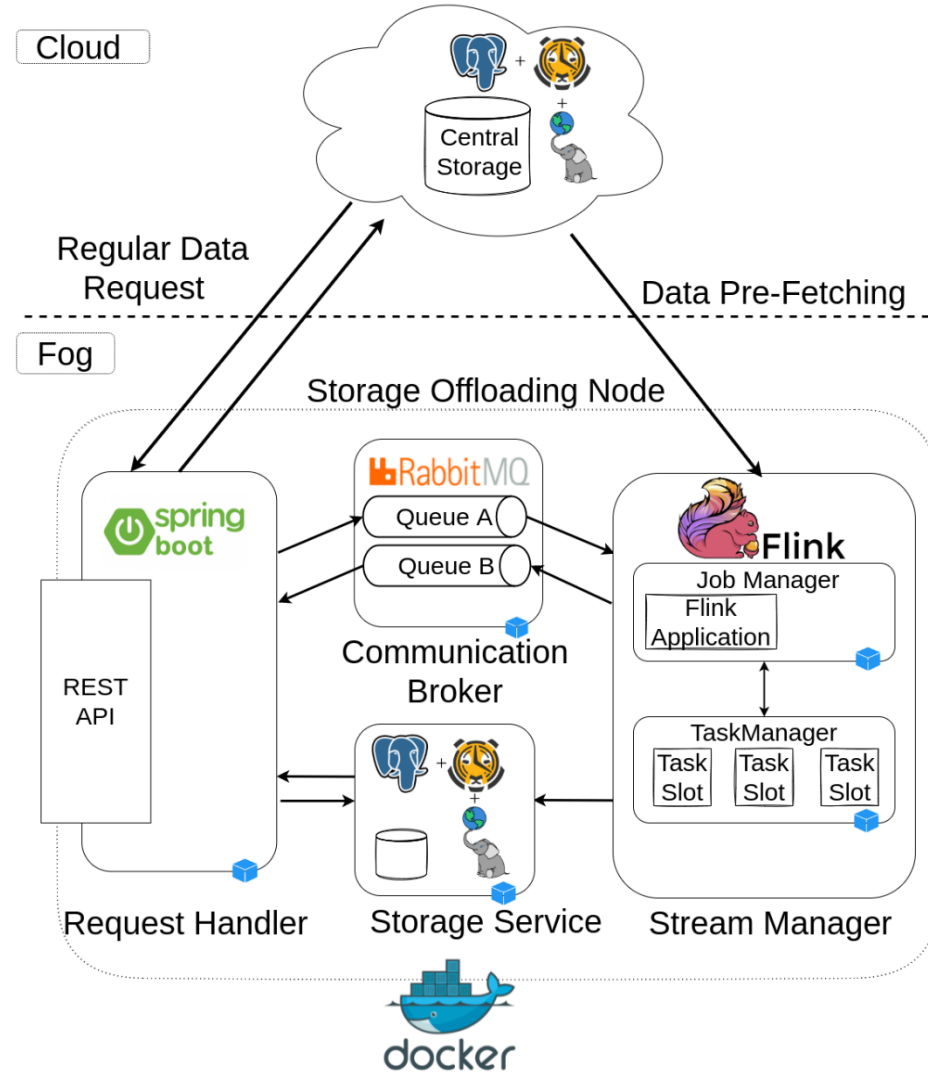
# Non-Stationary Time-Series



# Assessing Fog Performances with Massive IoT Data

# The Considered Architecture

- Cloud: Microsoft Azure
- Fog: General-purpose Dell server in Via Claudio



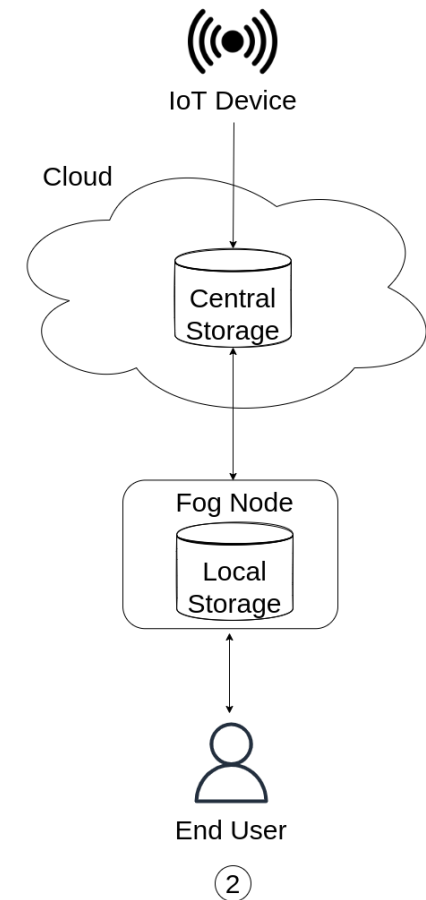
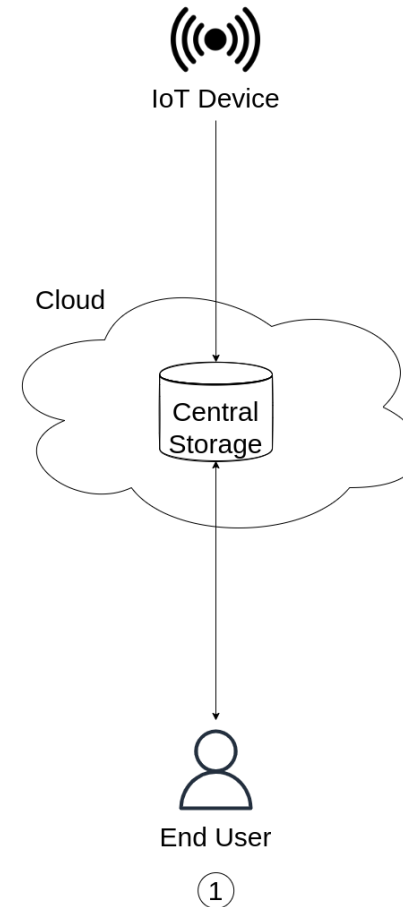
# Considered Configurations

Different Traffic Conditions:

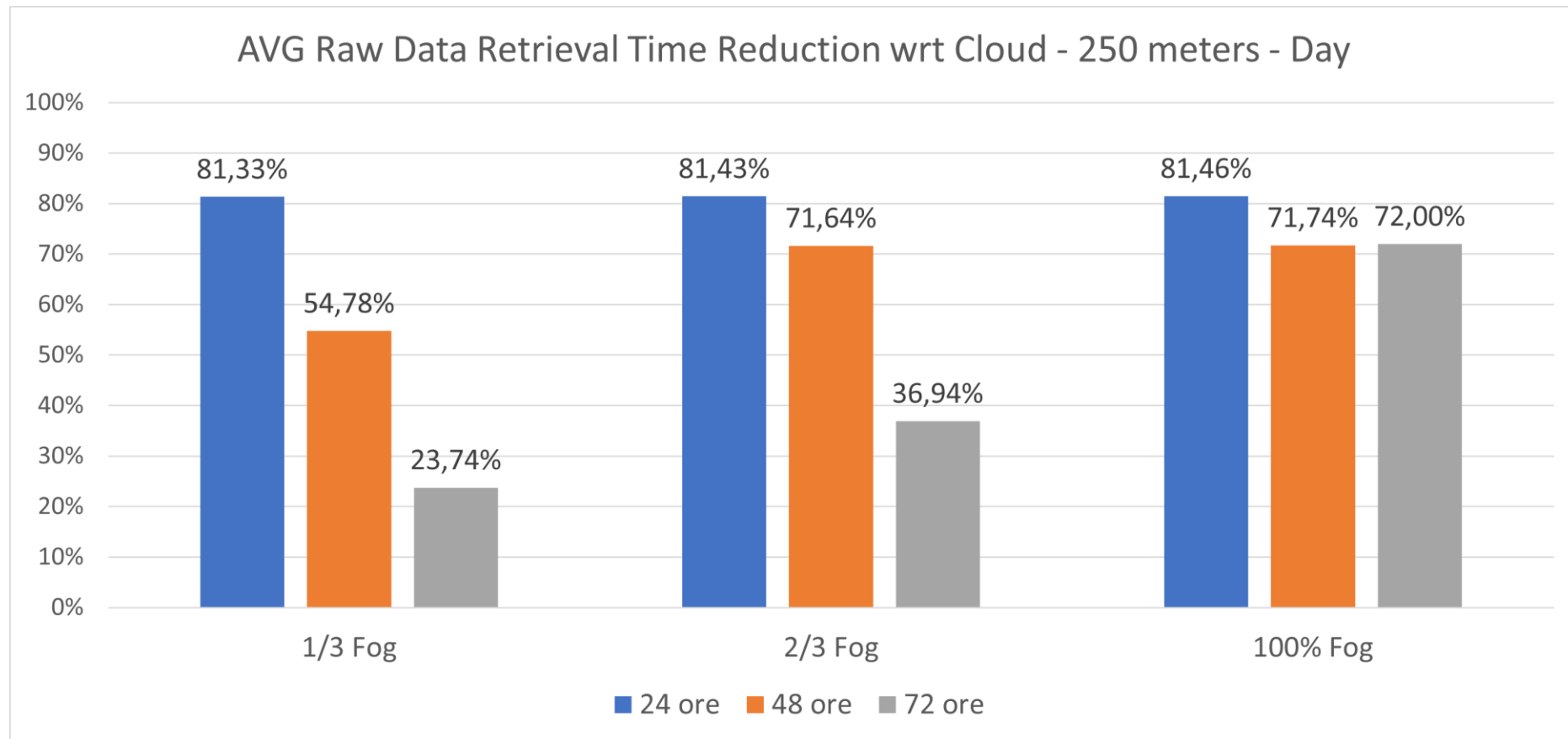
- High Traffic (Daily)
- Low Traffic (Nightly)

Filters:

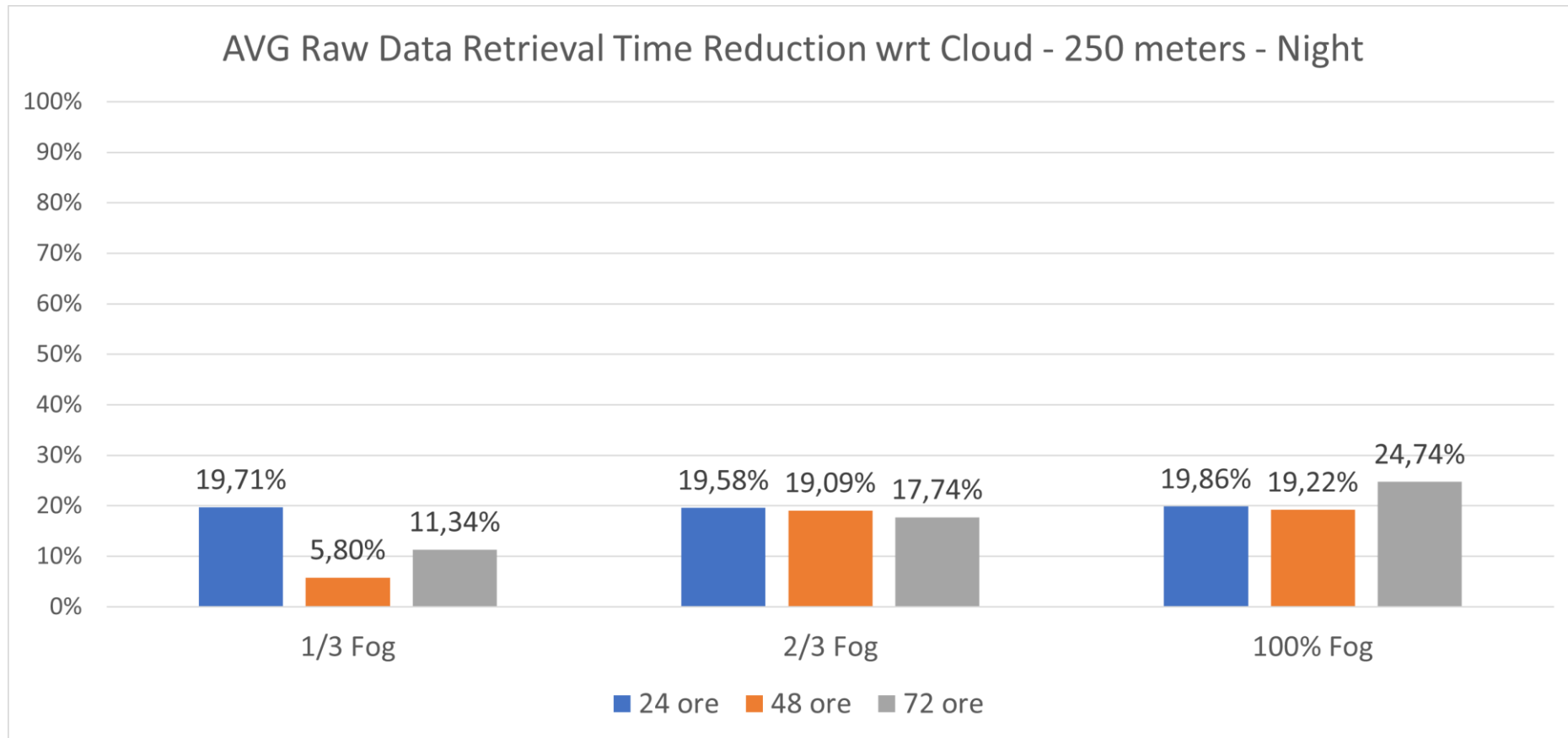
- 1,2,3 days
- 25,50,100,250 meters



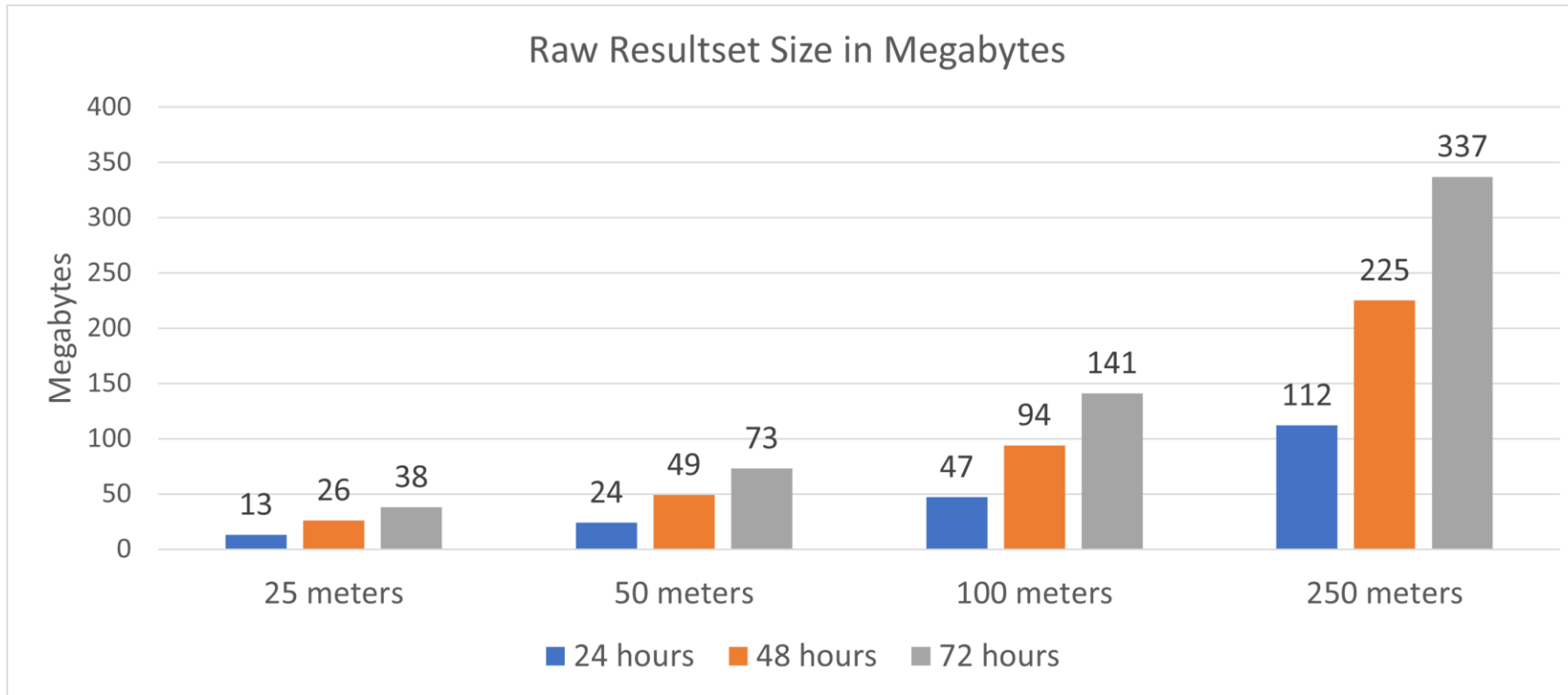
# High Traffic (Day)



# High Traffic (Night)



# Raw Resultset size

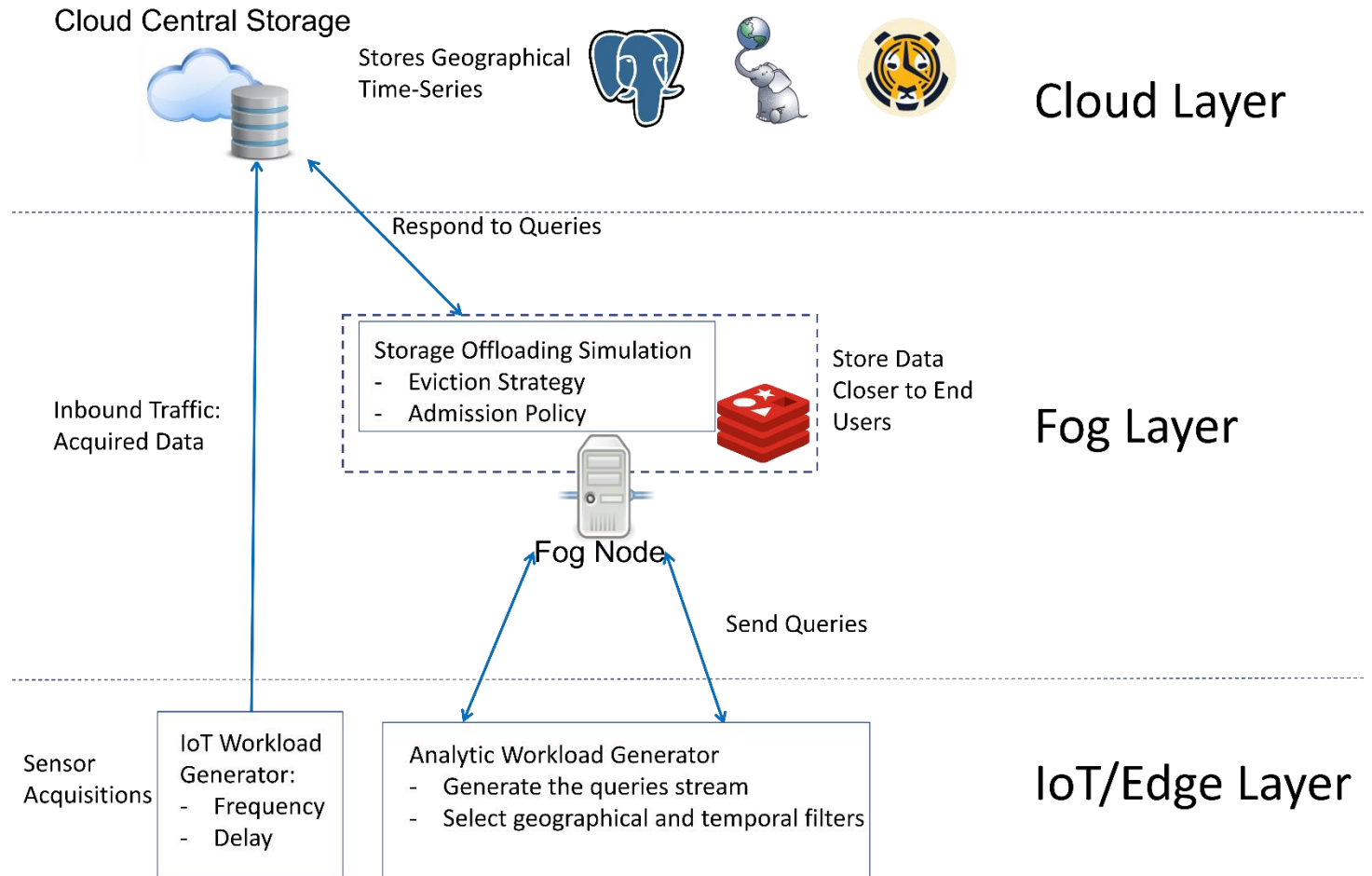




# The Proposed Tool for Fog Storage Offloading Assessment

# The Simulated Architecture

- Emulate IoT Traffic
- Generate Custom Analytic Workload
- Support Different Fog Storage Offloading Approaches
- 7 Query Templates



# Requirements

## *Fog Storage Offloading*

- Flexible behaviour simulation.
- Restrict resources.
- Traffic monitoring.

## *Analytic Workload*

- Control Access pattern
- Customize Temporal access complexity
- Customize Spatial access complexity

# Modeling Analytic Workload

## Query Stream Syntax

- Query Template and Patterns.
- Changes over time[23].

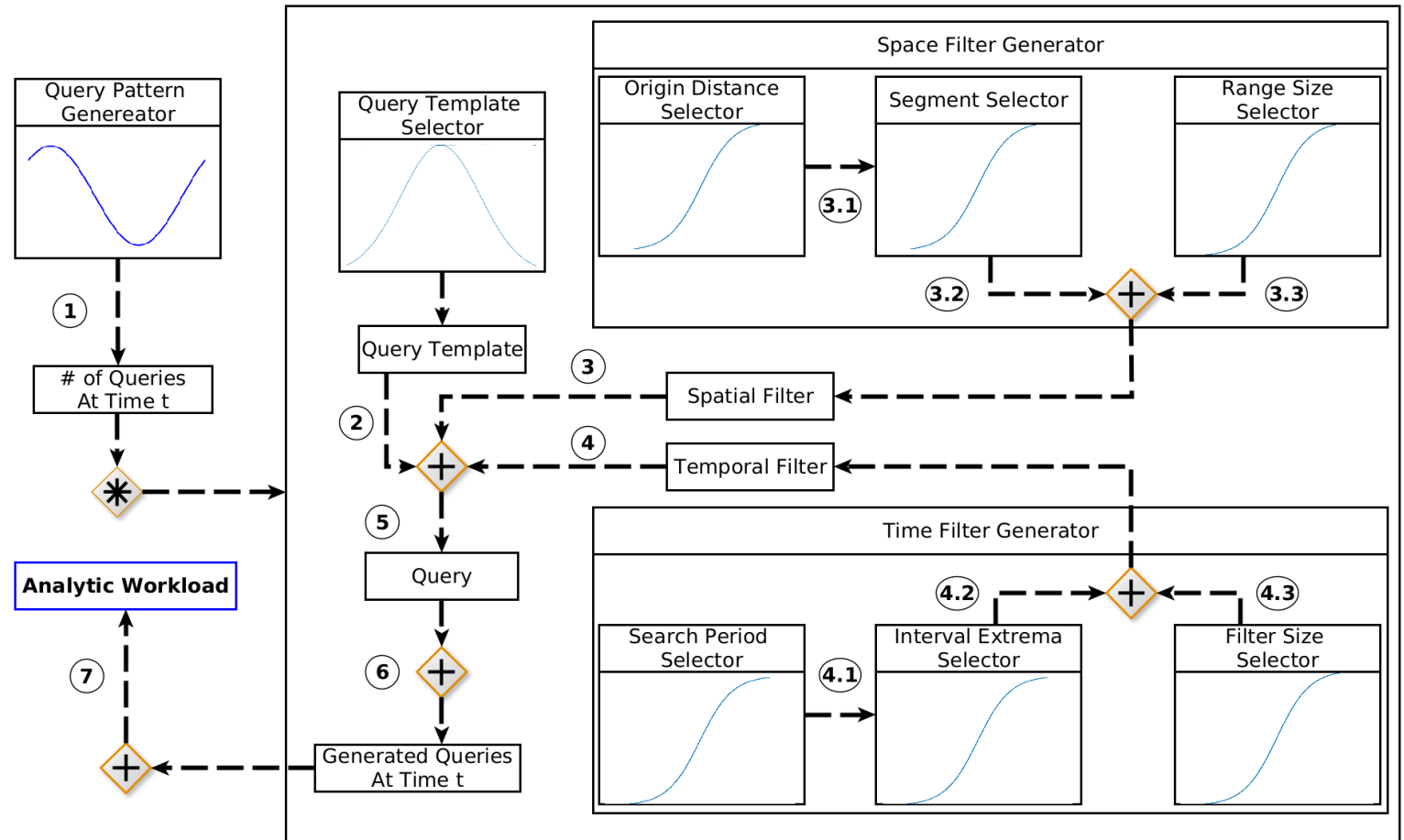
## Query Stream Semantic

- Actual spatial and temporal filters.
- Represents users' information need[23].

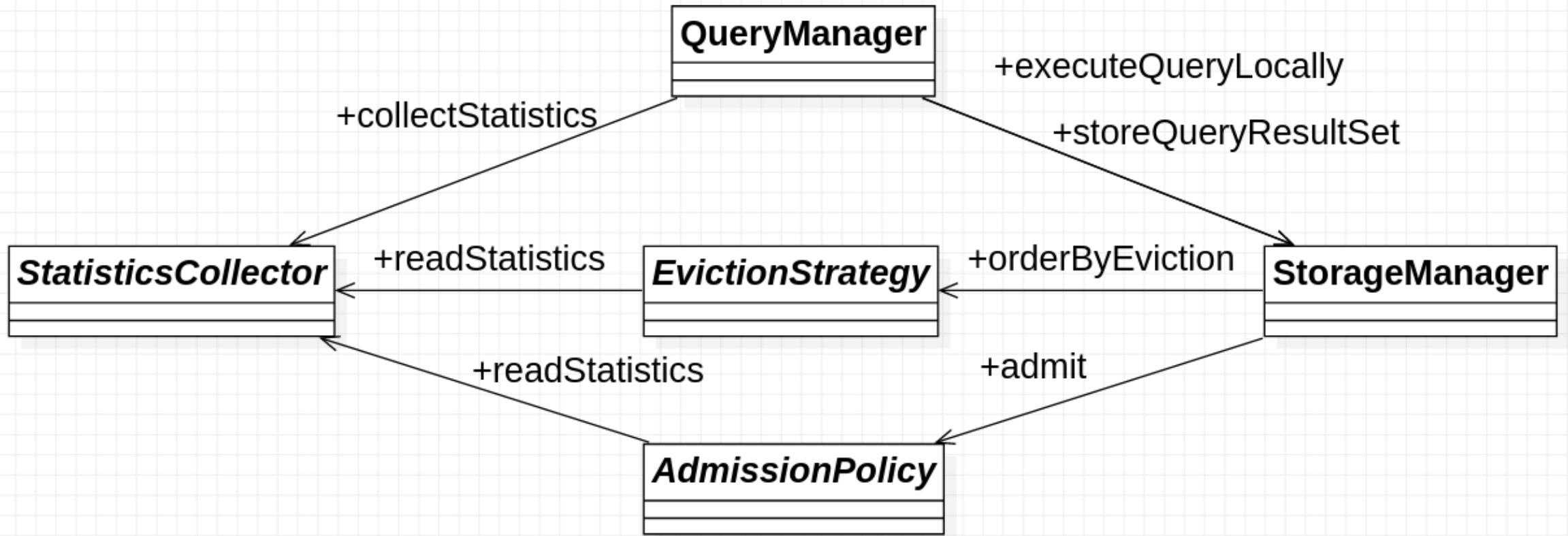
# Analytic Workload Generation

Workload tuning:

- Built-in functions (Sigmoid, Constant, Gaussian)
- Custom Functions
- Custom Model



# Fog Storage Offloading Core Functionalities



# Assessing the Efficiency of Fog Storage Offloading

# The Considered Approach

## Lazy Caching

- Admit all
- Eviction Strategy:
  - LRU
  - LFU

## Standard KPI:

- Request hit-rate
- Byte hit-rate

## Proposed KPI:

- Byte Information Rate (BIR)



# Byte Information Rate (BIR)

Provides information depending on the architecture layer:

- **At Cloud:** gives an estimation of cost ratio
- **At Fog:** gives an estimation of efficiency and savings

$$BIR = \frac{InformationStream(T)}{PersistedStream(T)}$$

- InformationStream(T):  
byte retrieved during T
- PersistedStream(T):  
byte stored during T

# The Considered Approach

## Lazy Caching

- Cache size: 256MB, 512MB, 1GB.
- Admission policy: passively admit all.
- Eviction Strategy:
  - LRU
  - LFU

## Experimental Settings

- 2 Days
- Daily Cyclic queries [23]
- IoT workload
  - 1 reading per minute
  - 12843 sensors
- Analytic Workload:
  - Temporal Filter: 30min
  - Spatial Filter: 125,250,500 meters

# Workload Generation Parameters

## Workload Parameters

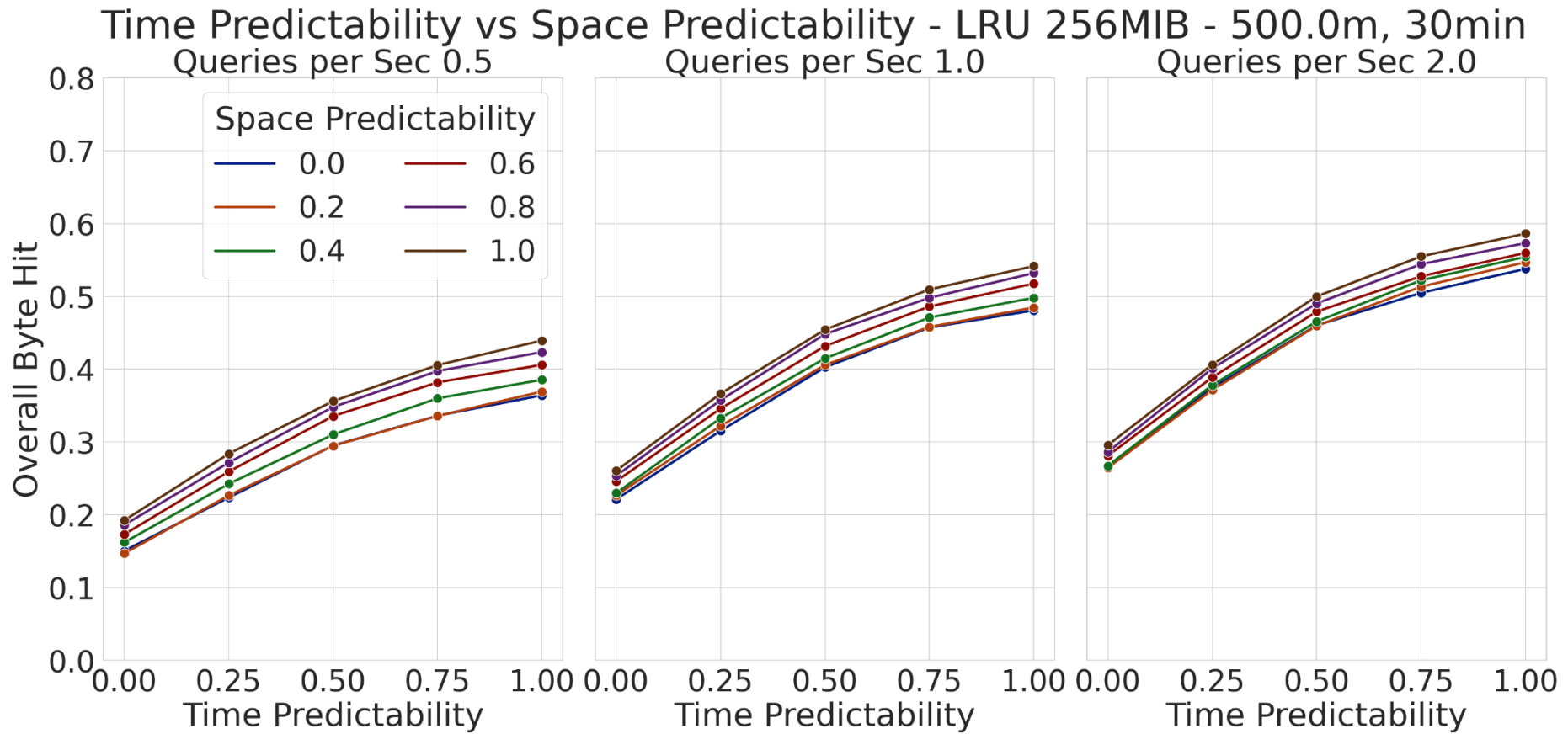
- Query-generator Gaussian with 5 predictability grades
- Temporal filter Sigmoid 5 predictability grades.
- Spatial filter Sigmoid 6 predictability grades.
- Queries Per Second 0,5/1/2.

1350 generated workloads

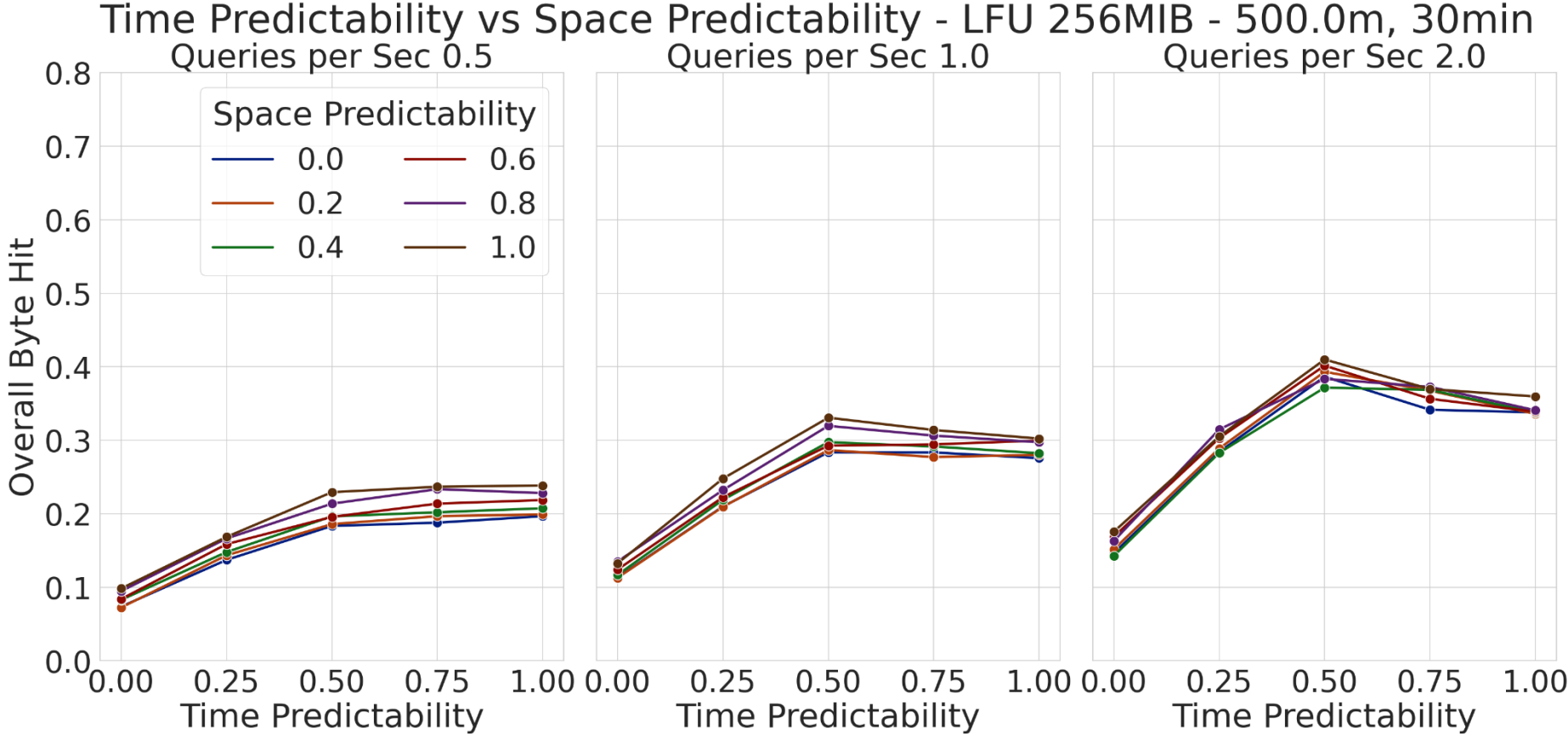
# Workload Observable Aspects

- Query Volume
- Query Pattern Predictability
- Temporal Access Pattern Predictability
- Spatial Access Pattern Predictability

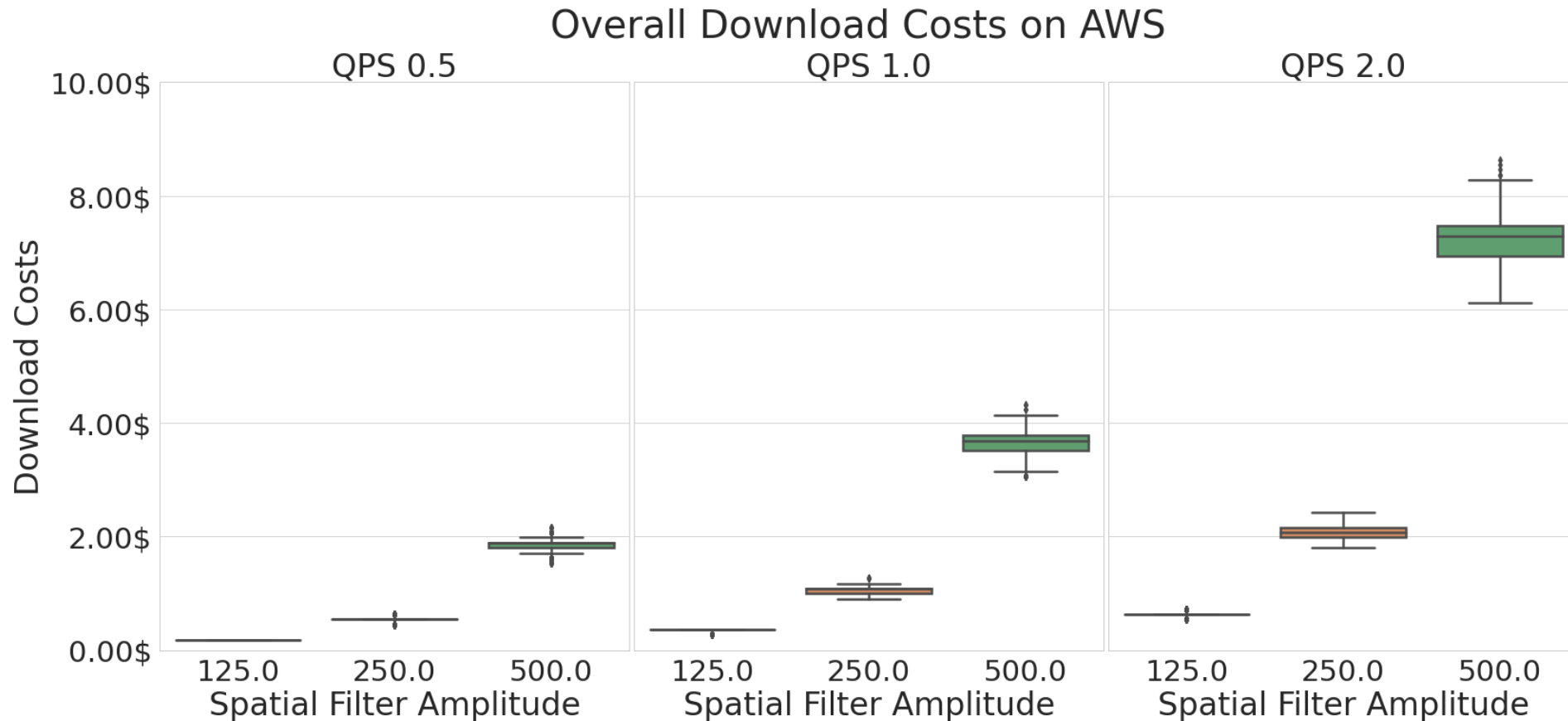
# Byte Hit-Rate - LRU – Most Challenging Scenario



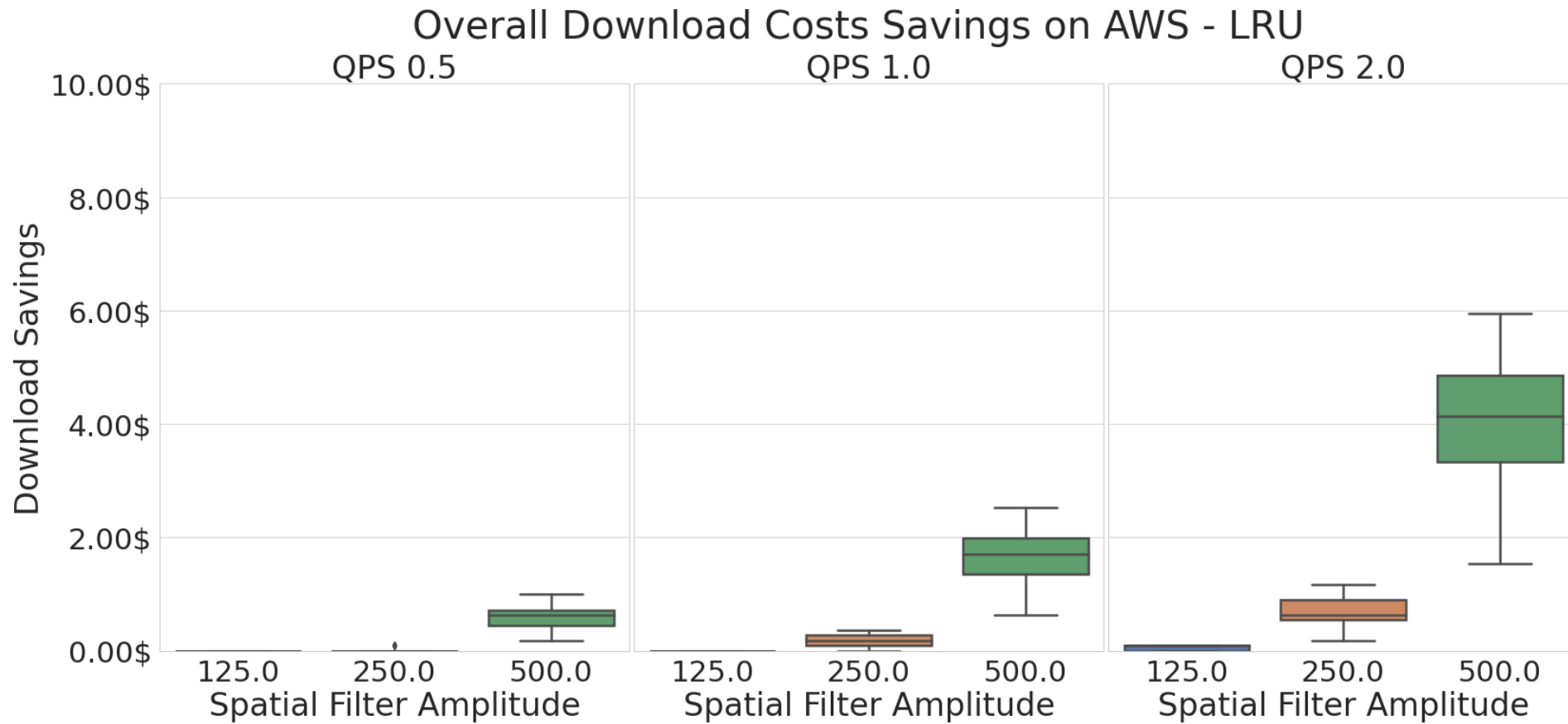
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# Download Costs with AWS



# Savings with LRU

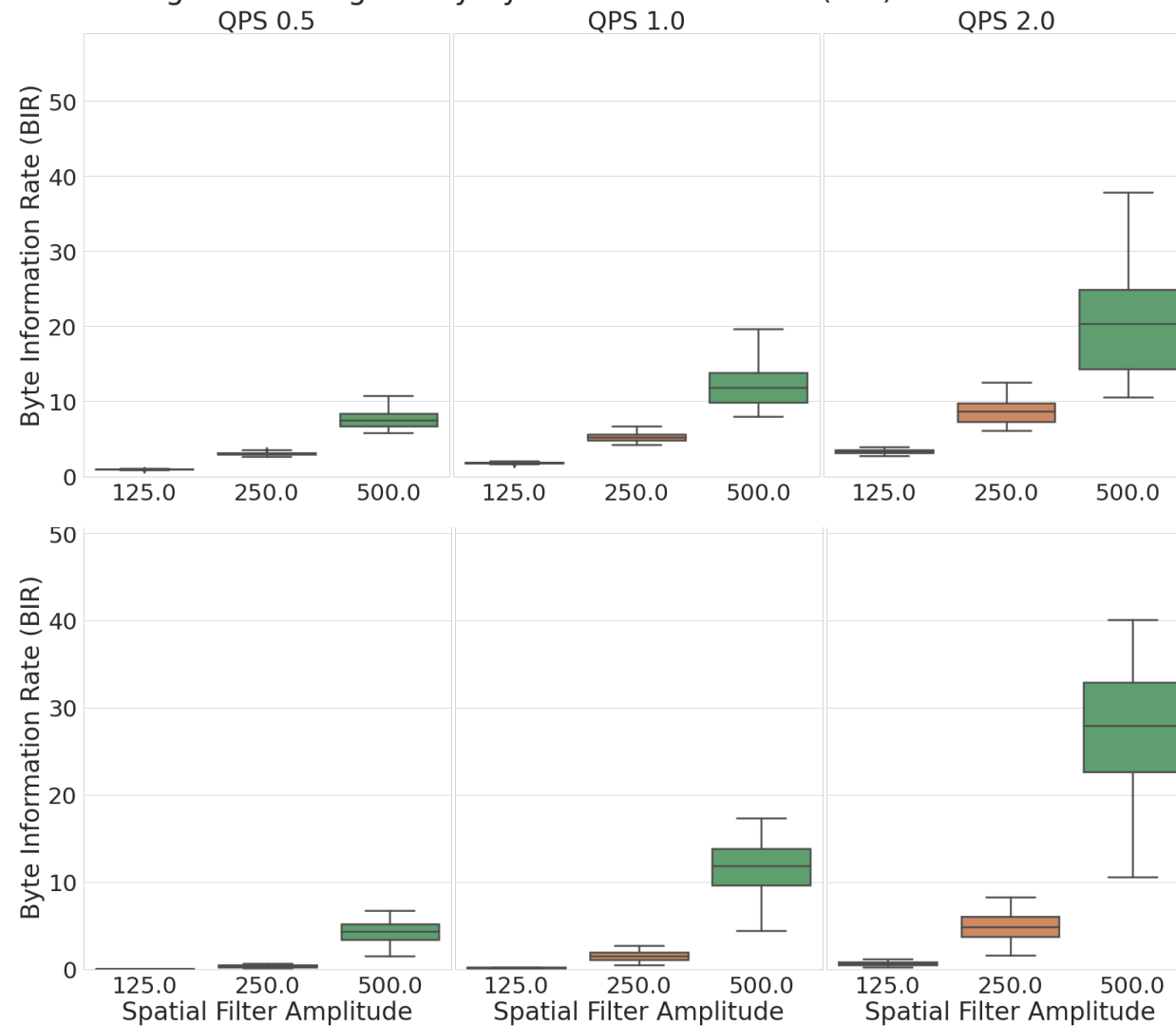




# BIR - LRU

At Cloud  
(lower is better)

At Fog  
(higher is better)



# Conclusions

# RQ1

*Are COTS DBMSs, on single nodes, capable of providing adequate and reliable performance for the ingestion and recovery of massive data streams?*

- Native TSMS like InfluxDB (performance deterioration as filter amplitude increase)
- Relational TSMS like TimescaleDB (high disk requirements)

# RQ2

*How much do the characteristics of the Fog node impact of the performance of data management architecture?*

- Impact on response delay reduction is strongly influenced by traffic conditions (20% in worst case, 80% in best case).
- Impact on bandwidth depends only on the available resources and on Storage Offloading's approach efficiency (with the wider filter the result is 327MB).

# RQ3

*Can Fog layer's location-awareness and analytical workloads' knowledge improve the cost-performance ratio of a multilayered data management architecture?*

Analytic workload knowledge demonstrated to be

Thank You for the attention!

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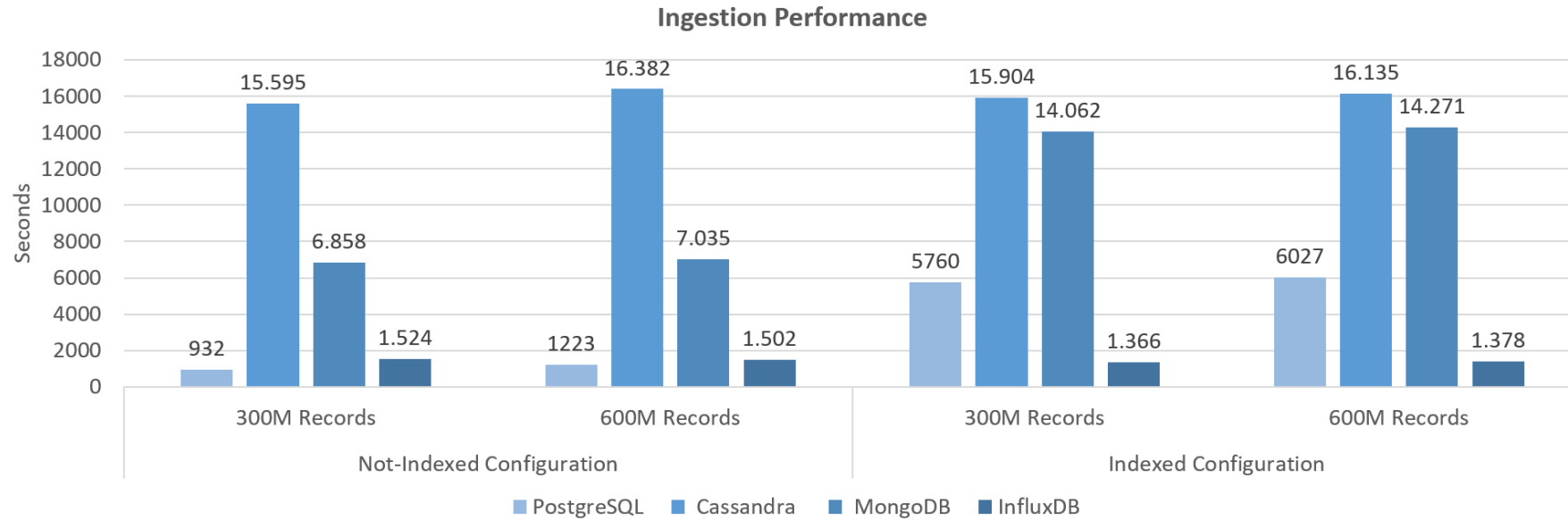
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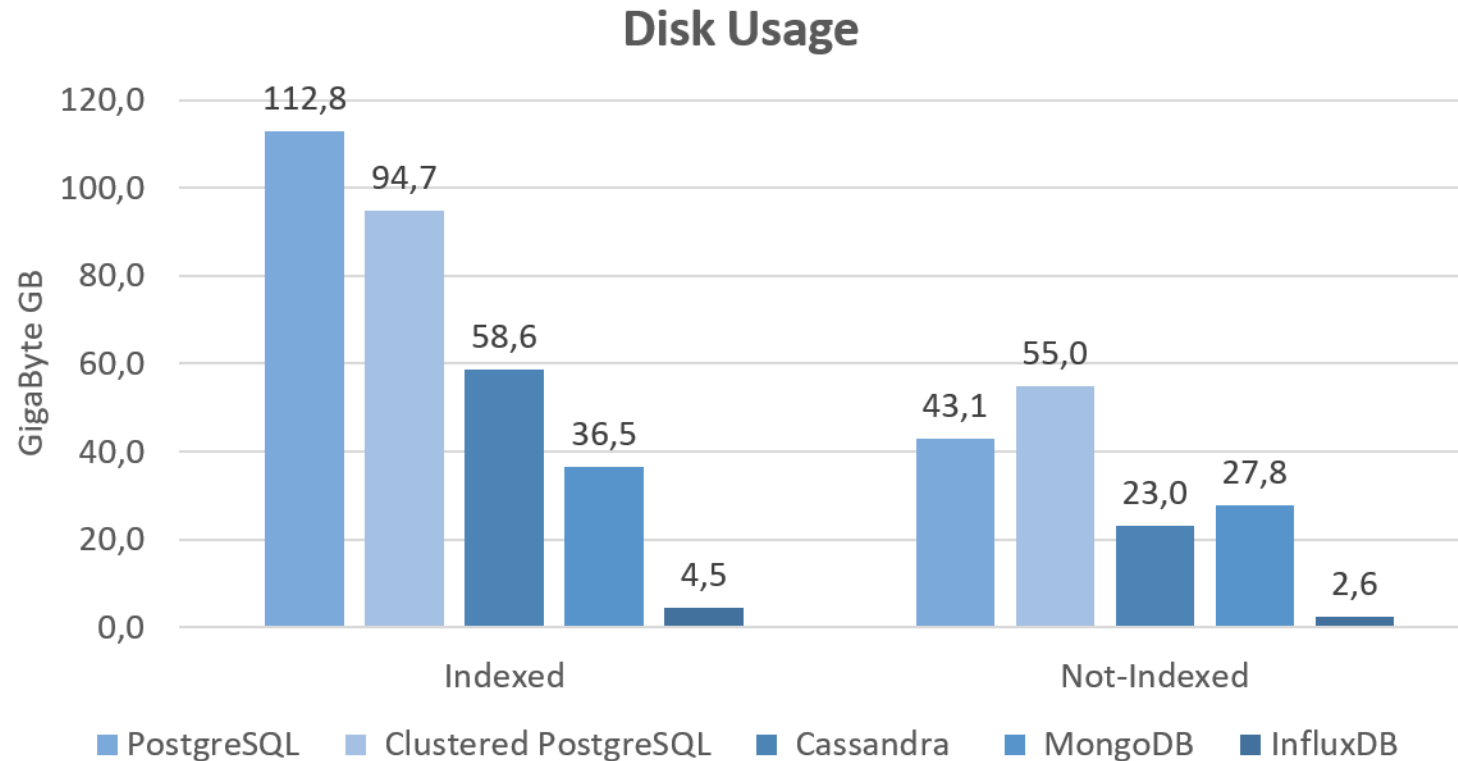
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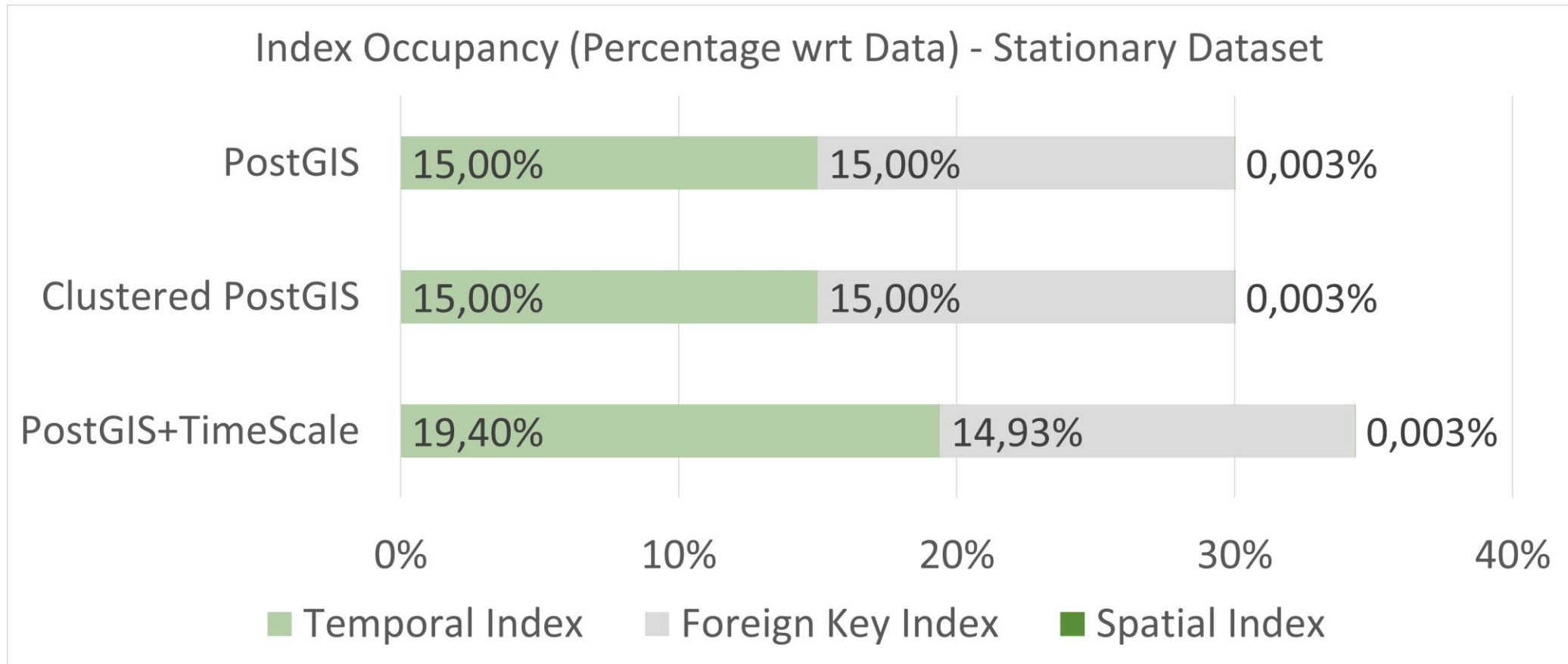
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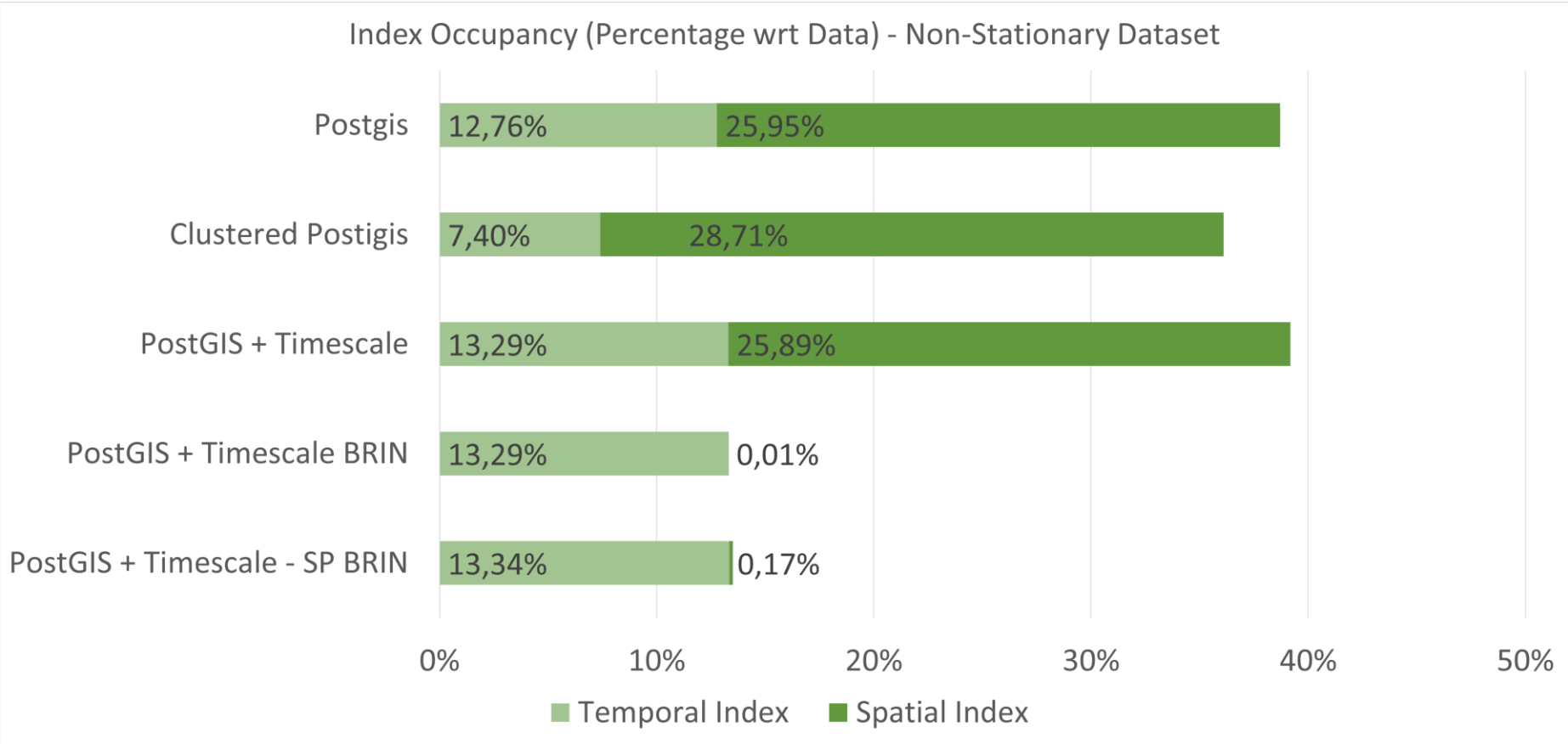
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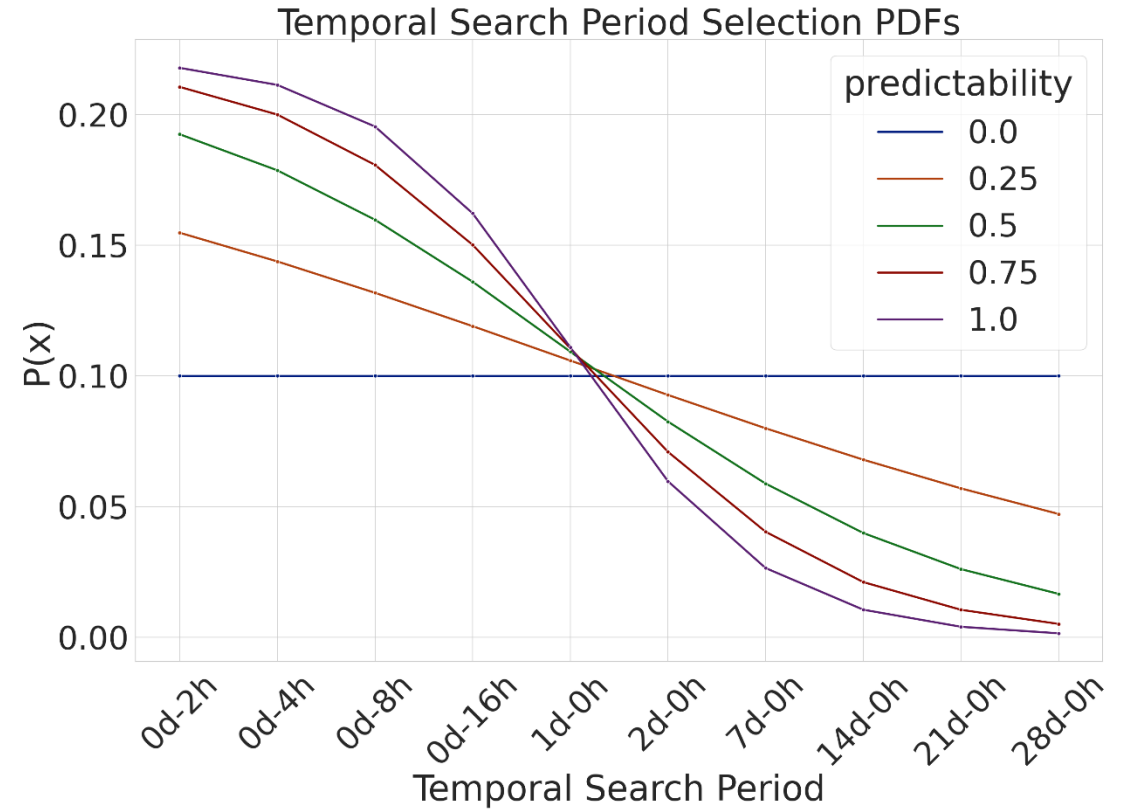
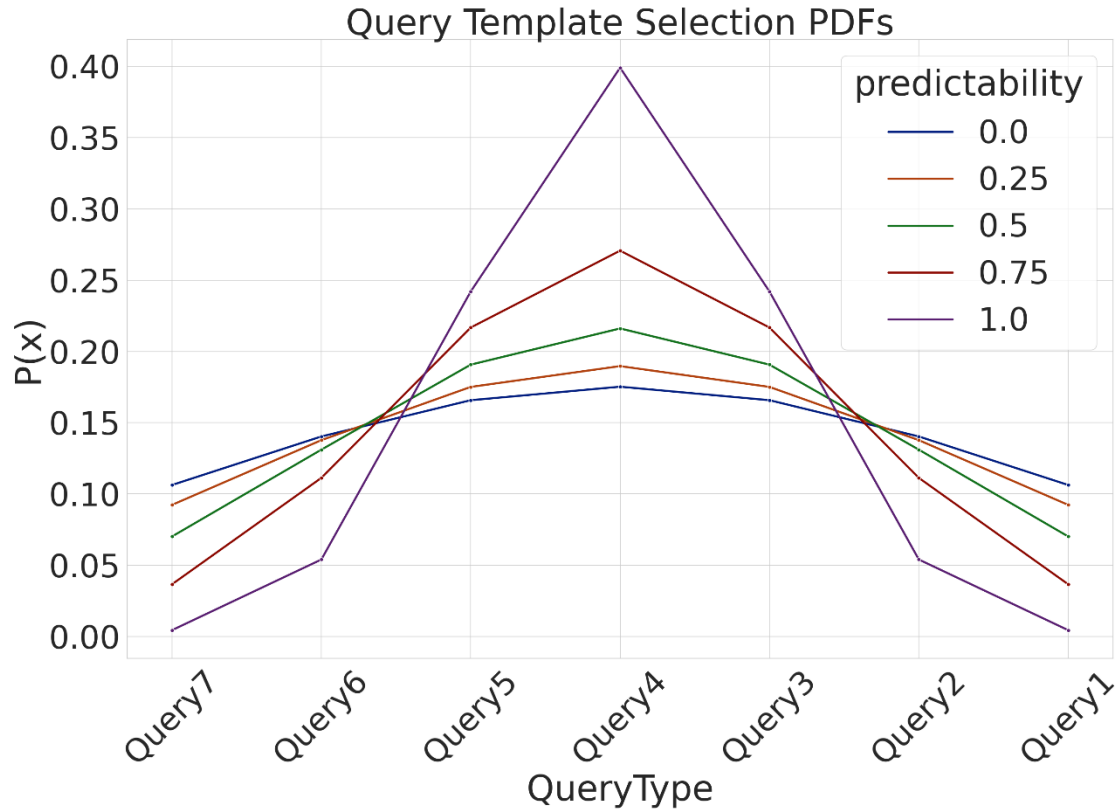
# Stationary Time-Series



# Non-Stationary Time-Series

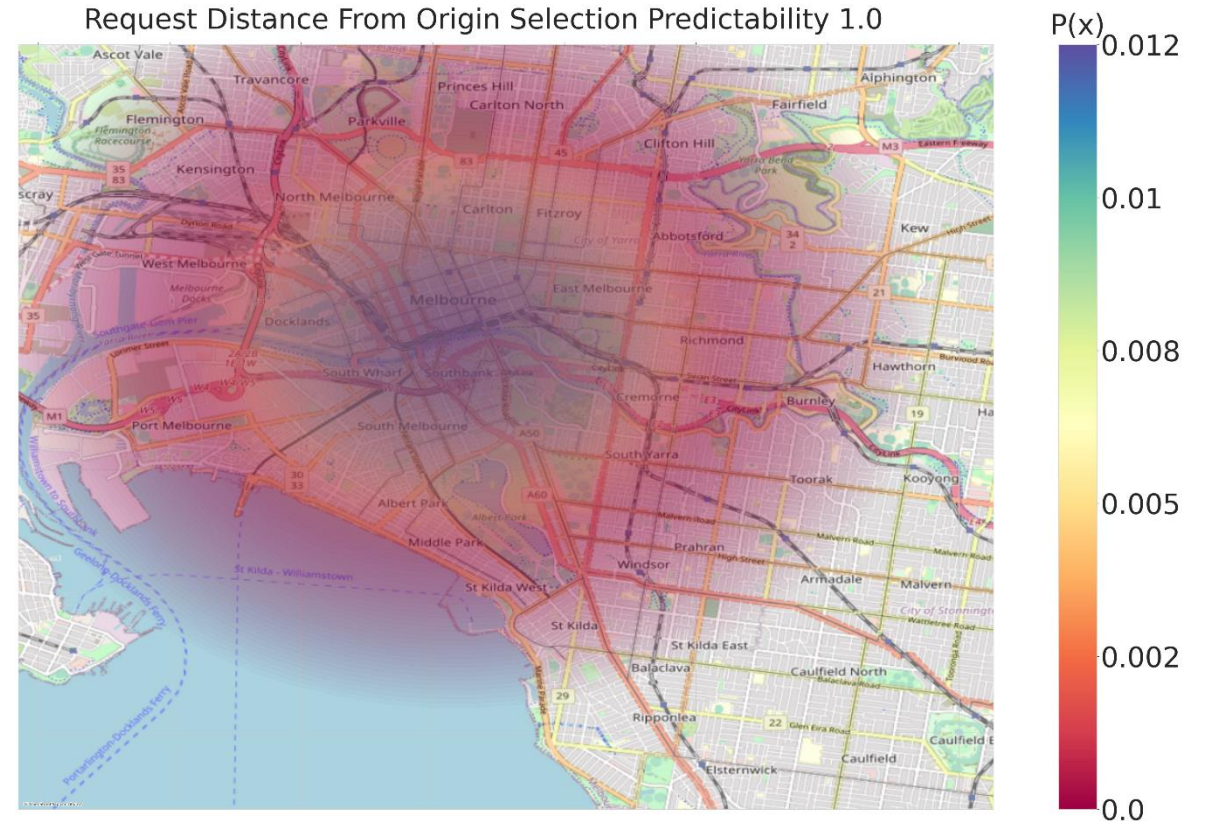
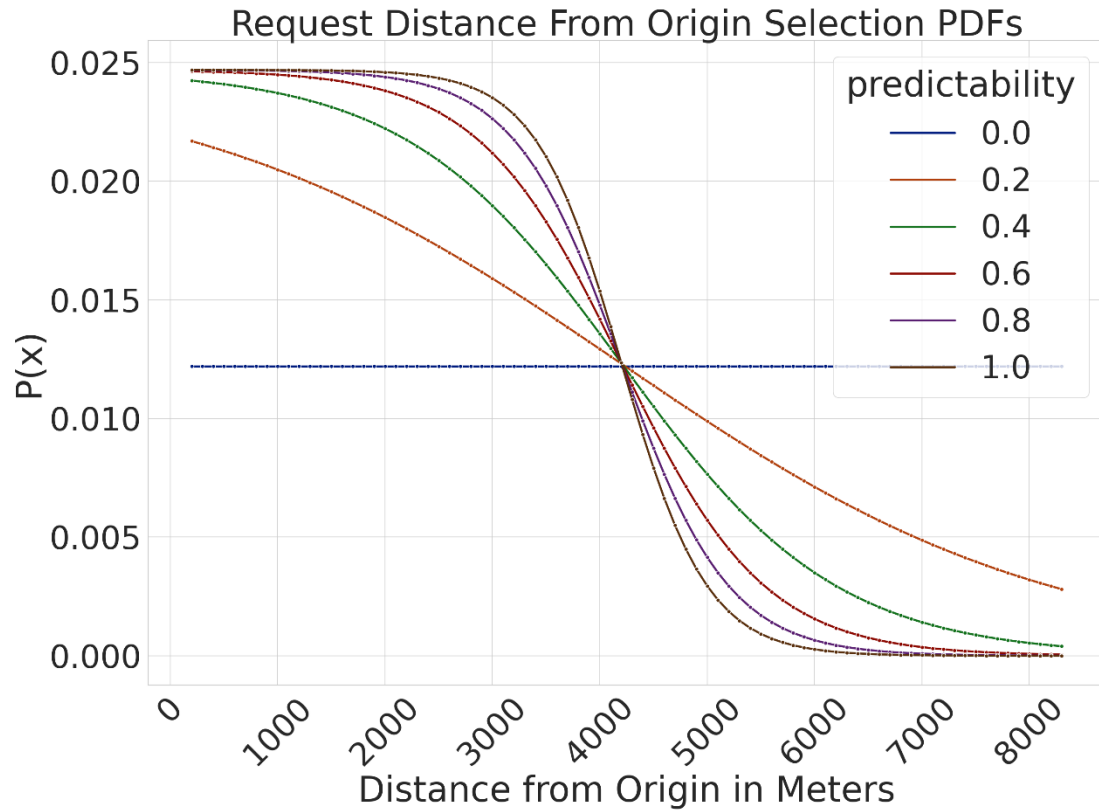


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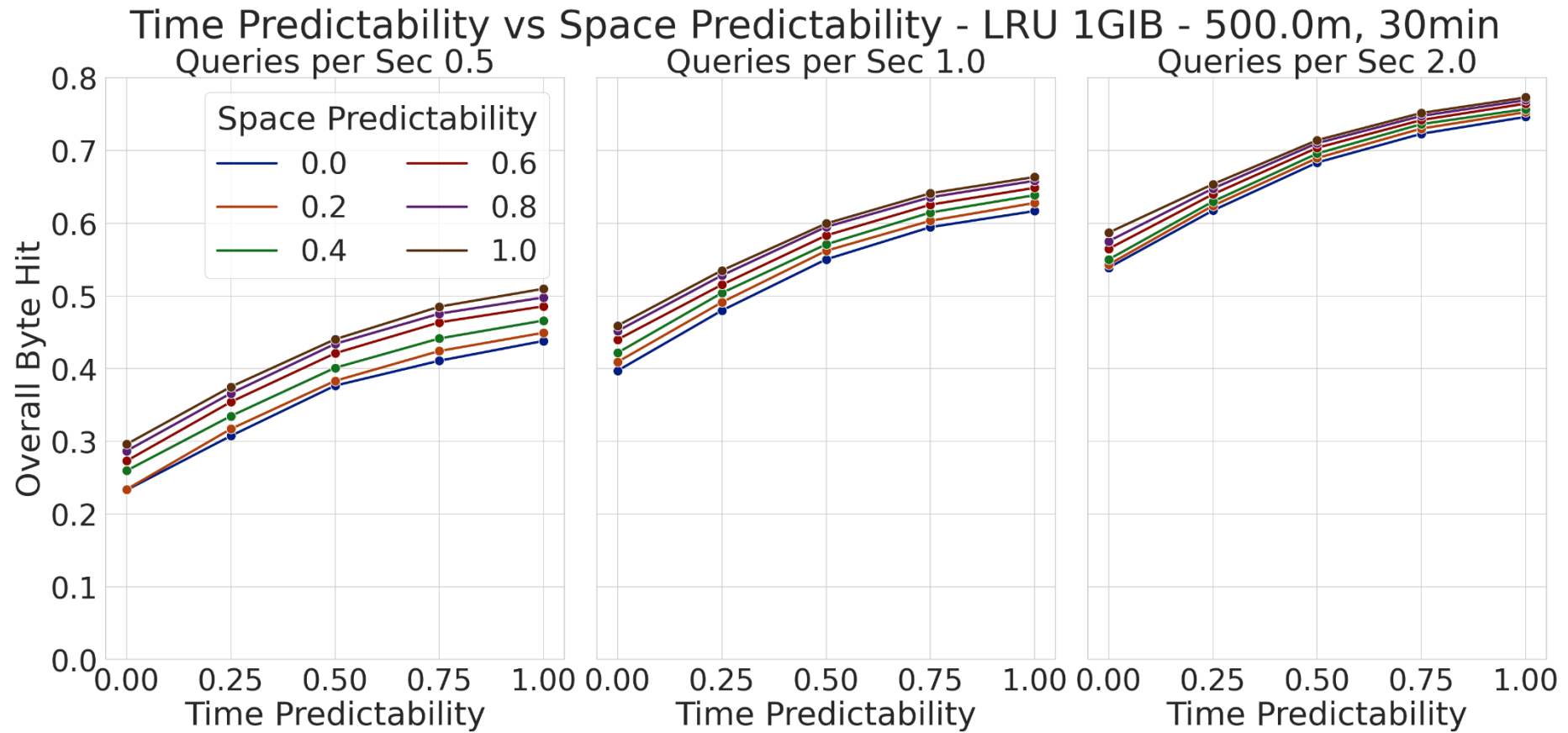




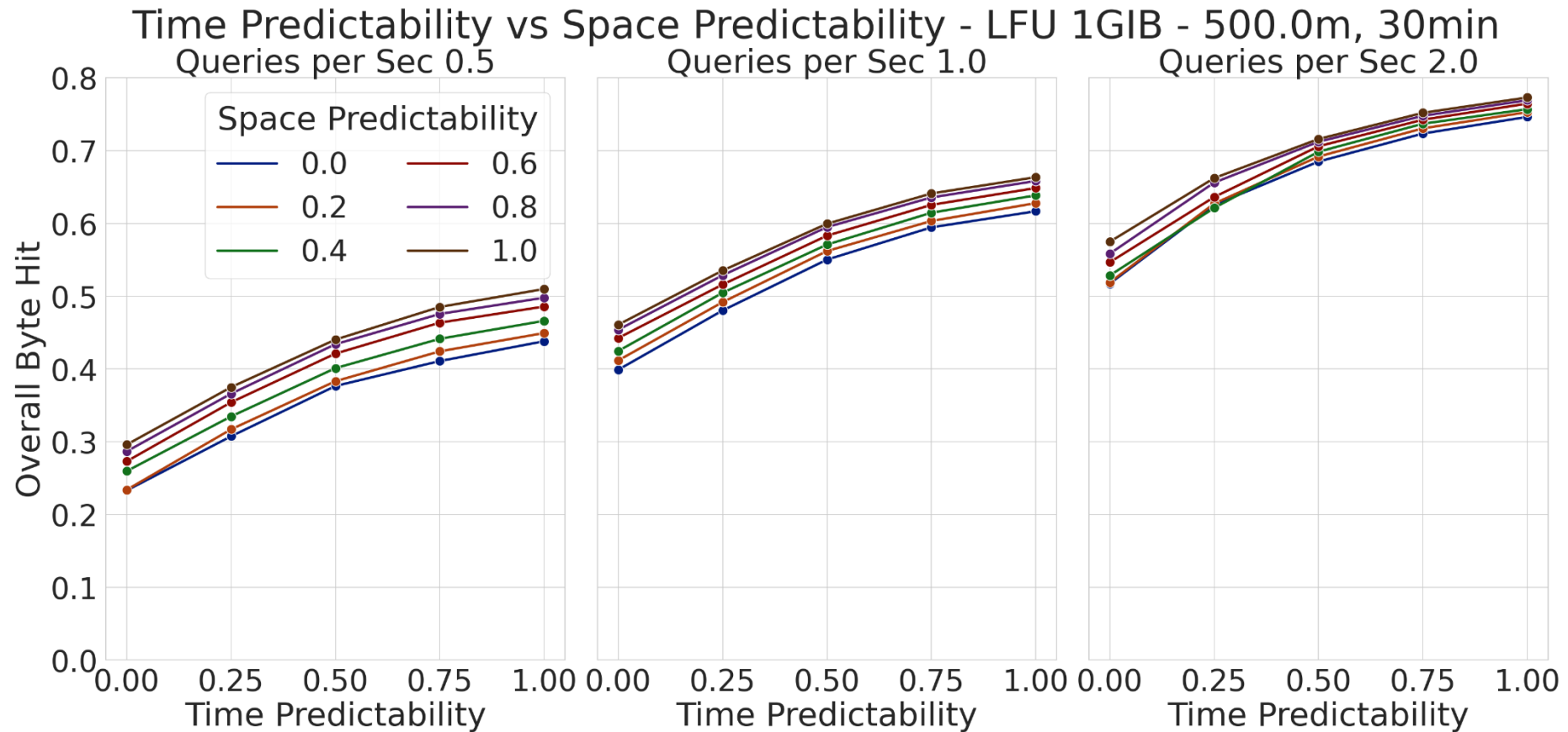
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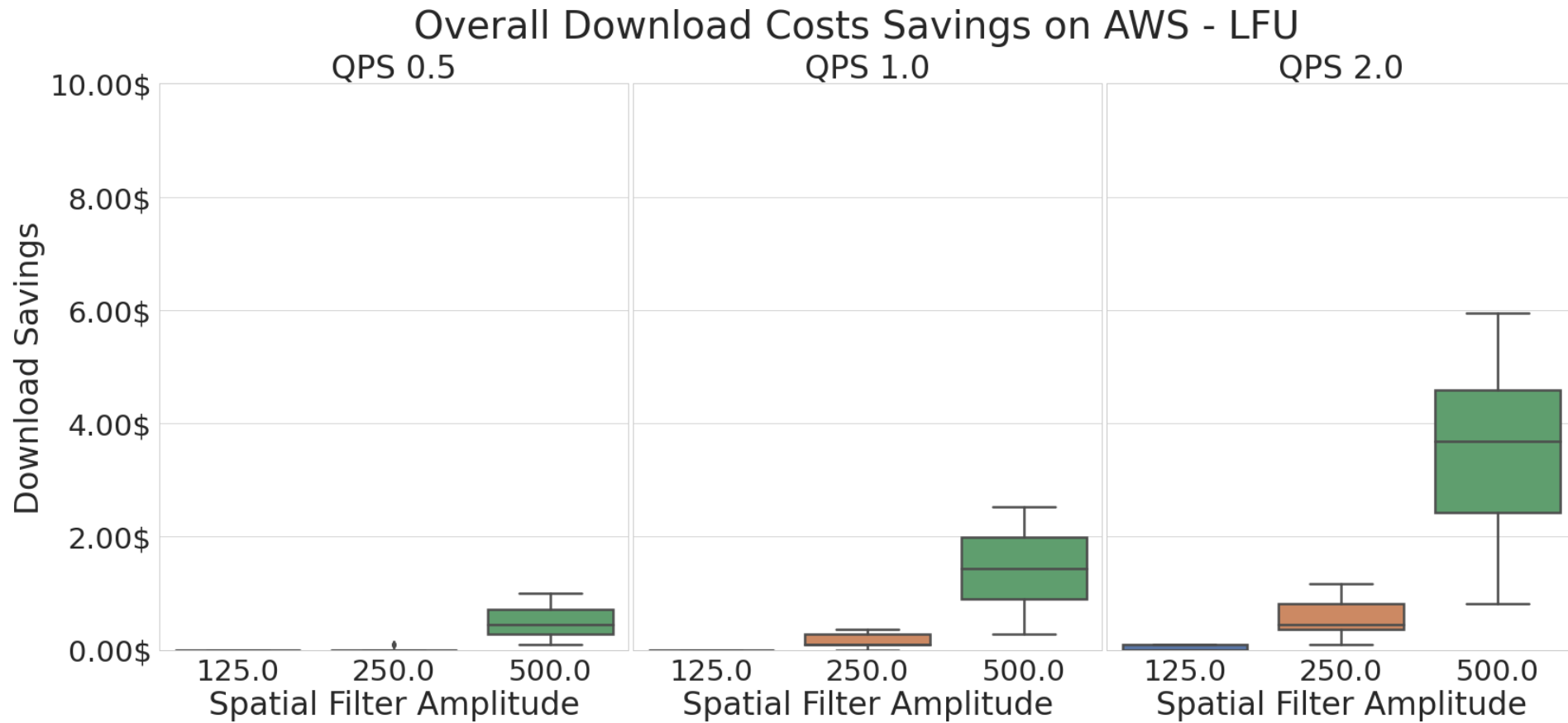
# LRU - Least Challenging Scenario



# LFU – Lest Challenging Scenario



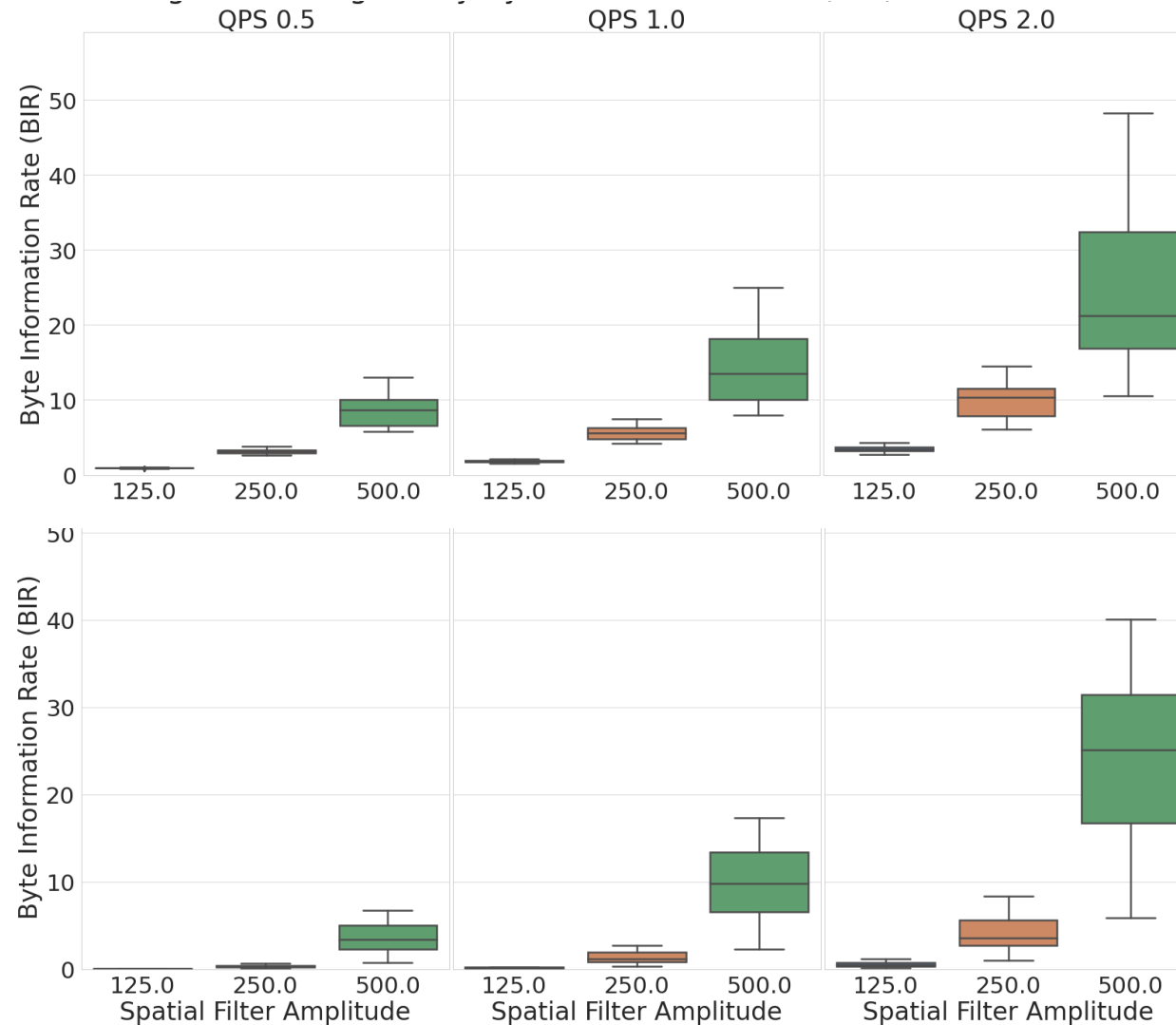
# Savings with LFU



# BIR - LFU

At Cloud  
(lower is better)

At Fog  
(higher is better)





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