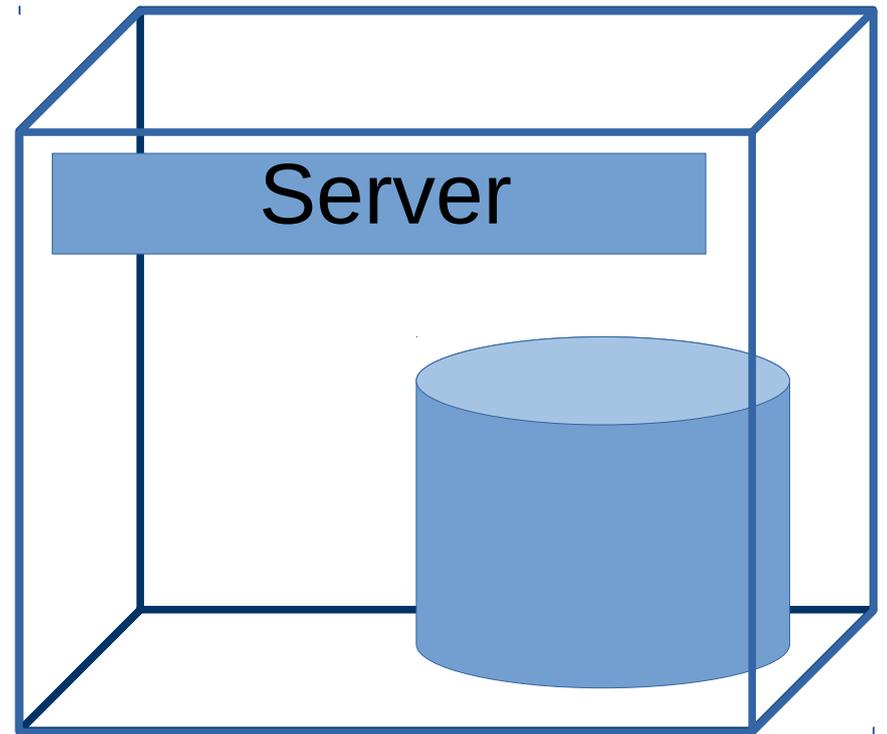


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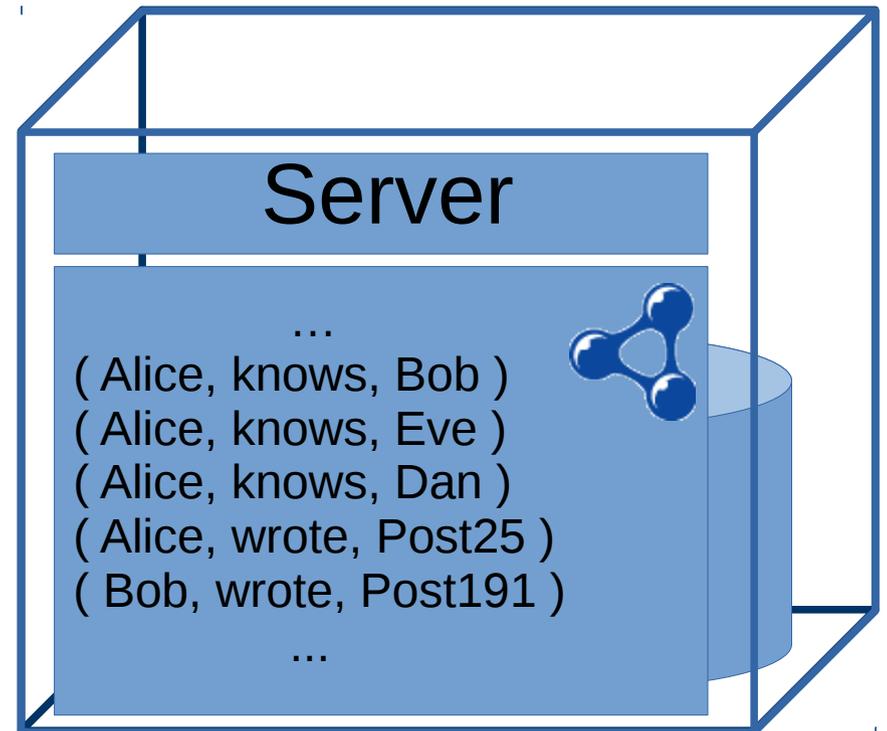
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Support Live Queries over (Semantic) Web Data

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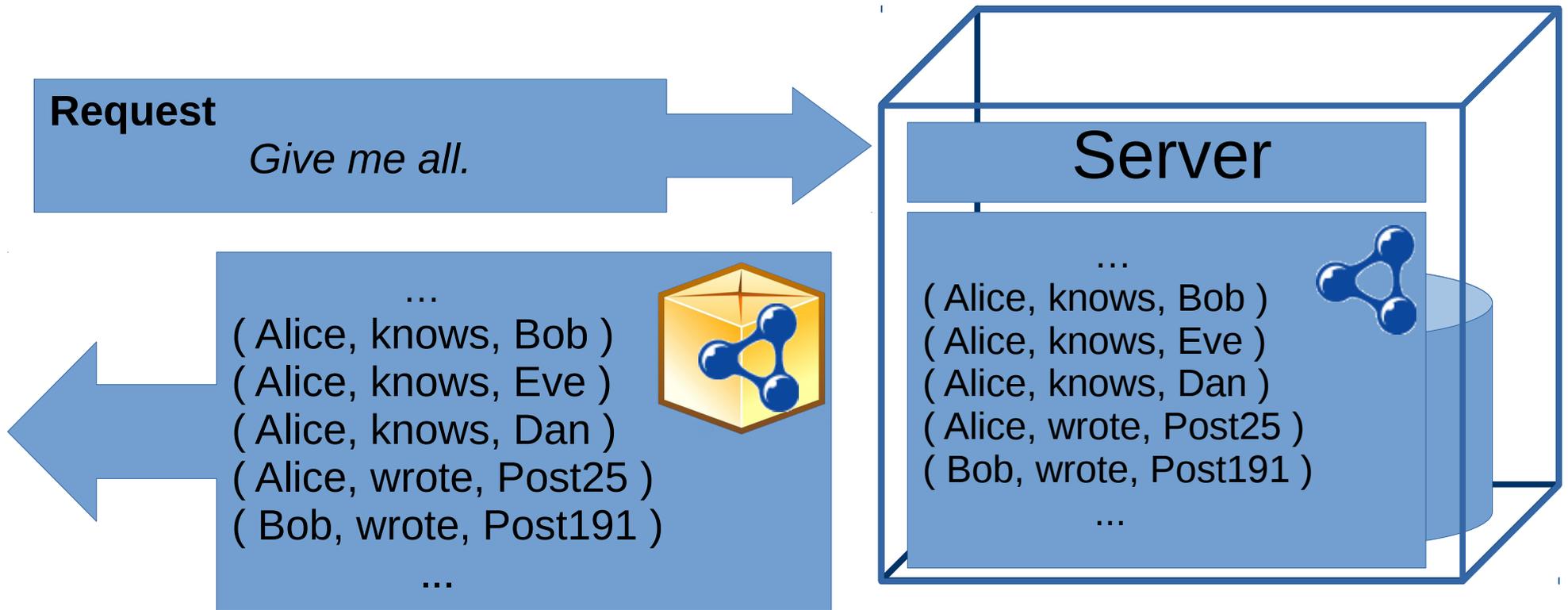
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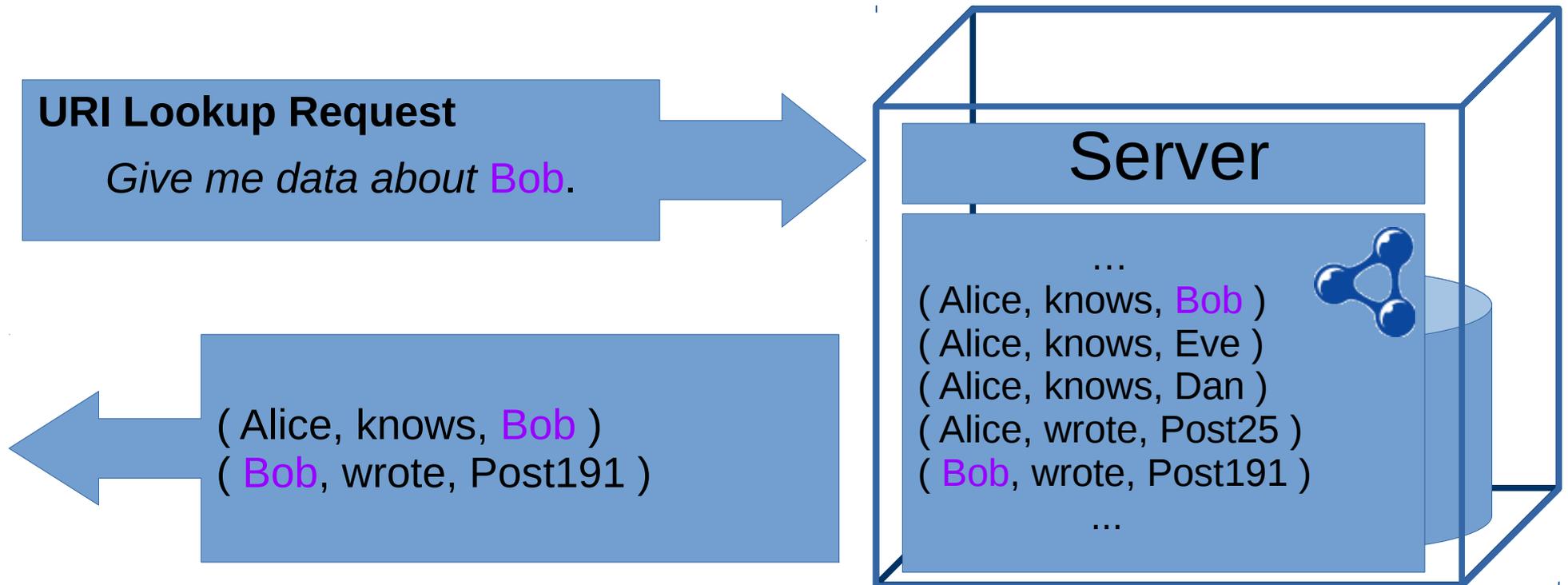


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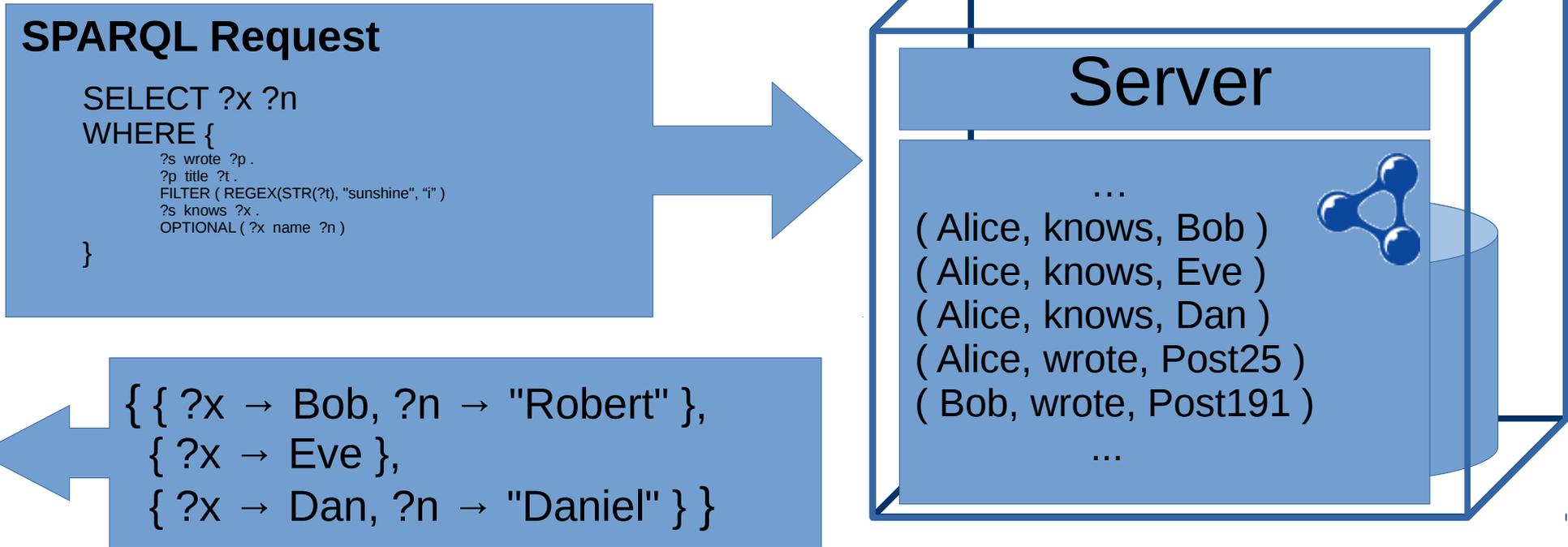
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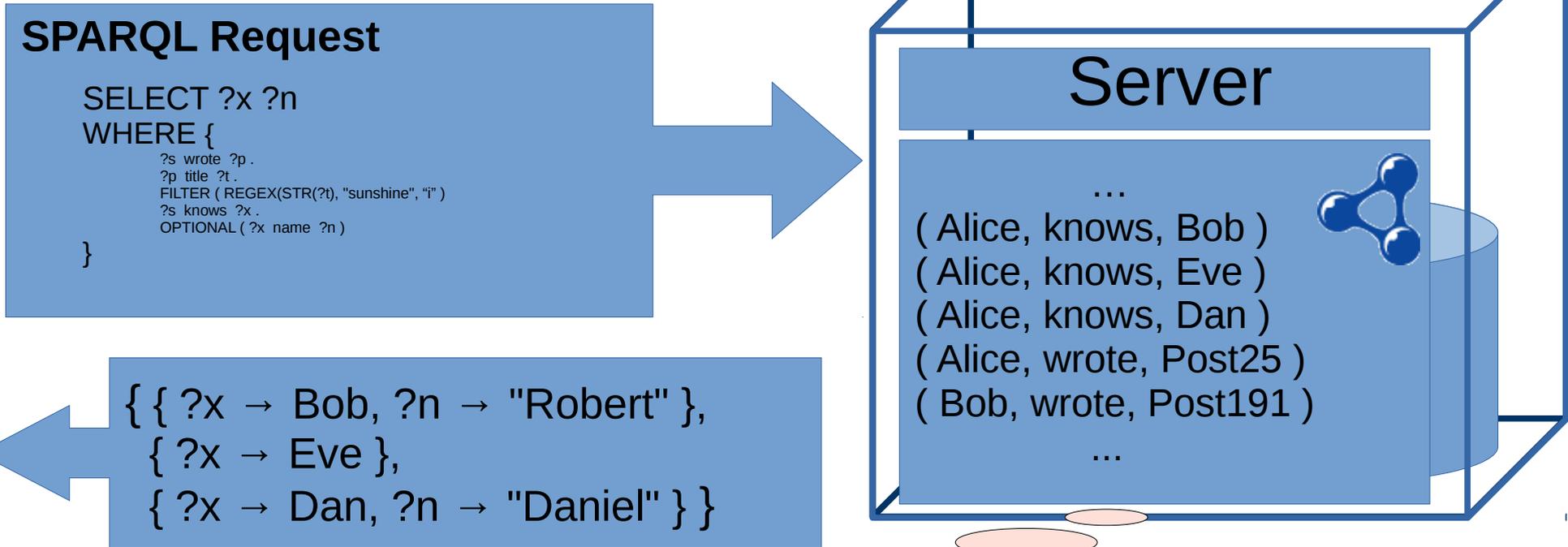


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SPARQL
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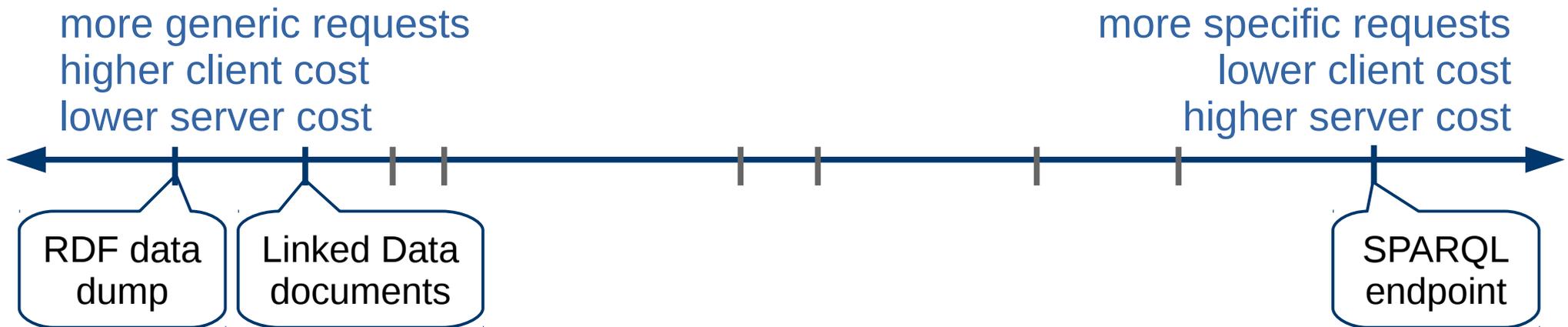
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SPARQL endpoint

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Linked Data Fragments^{1,2}

- Whole spectrum of trade-offs exists between these extremes
- Explore this spectrum and find interesting sweet spots



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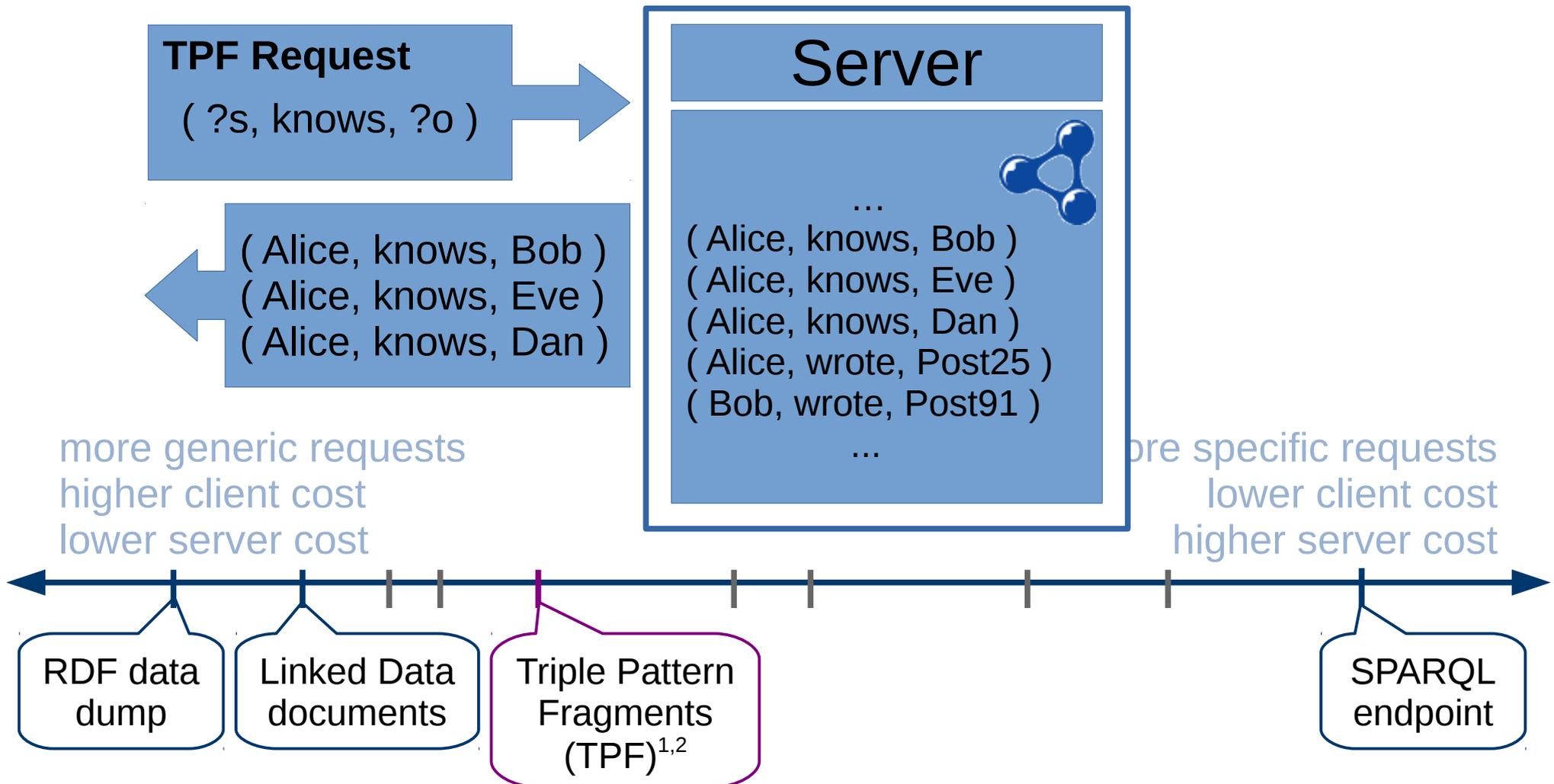
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TPF-based Execution of SPARQL Queries

SPARQL Query

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SELECT ?y WHERE {  
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```

(Alice, knows, Bob)
(Alice, knows, Eve)
(Alice, knows, Dan)

(Alice, wrote, Post25)
(Bob, wrote, Post91)
...

TPF Request

(Alice, knows, ?x)

(Alice, knows, Bob)
(Alice, knows, Eve)
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TPF Request

(?x, wrote, ?y)

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Server

...

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TPF Request

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TPF Request

```
( Bob, wrote, ?y )
```

```
( Bob, wrote, Post91 )
```

TPF Request

```
( Eve, wrote, ?y )
```

empty

Server

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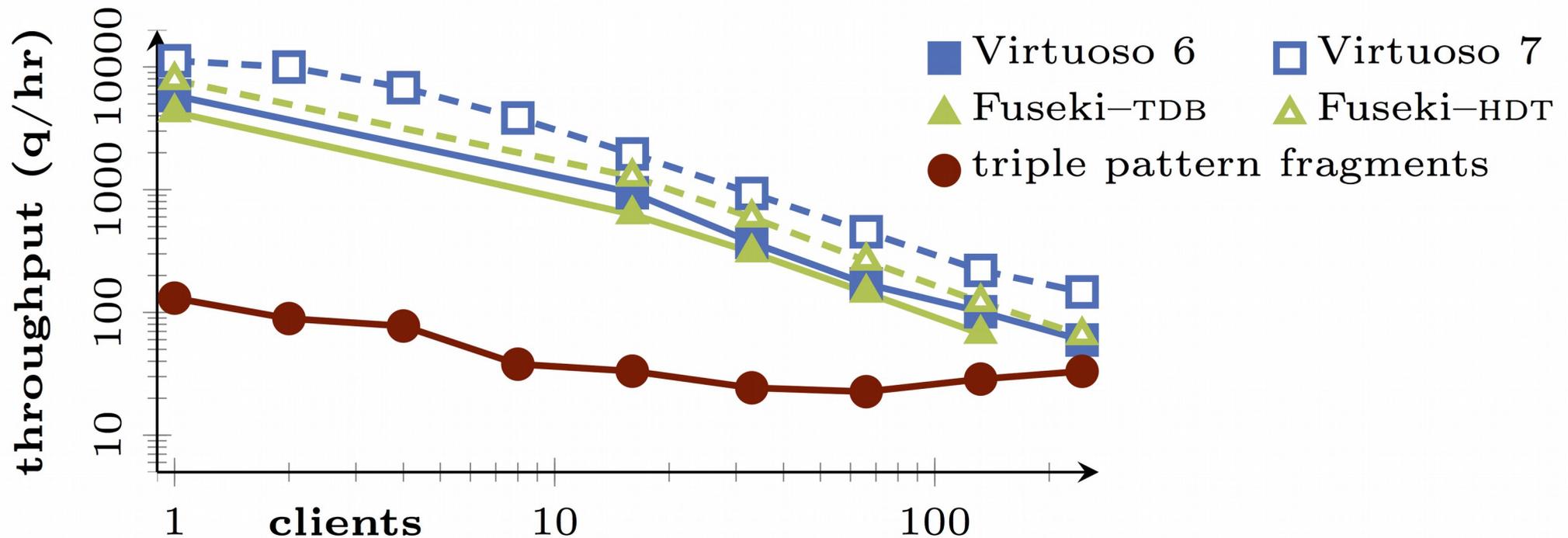
Experimental Setup

- Berlin SPARQL Benchmark
 - Synthetic benchmark
 - 100M triples
- Amazon EC2 machines
 - 1 server (used either as SPARQL endpoint or as TPF server)
 - 1 cache
 - 1–240 clients

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Throughput (normalized by # of clients)

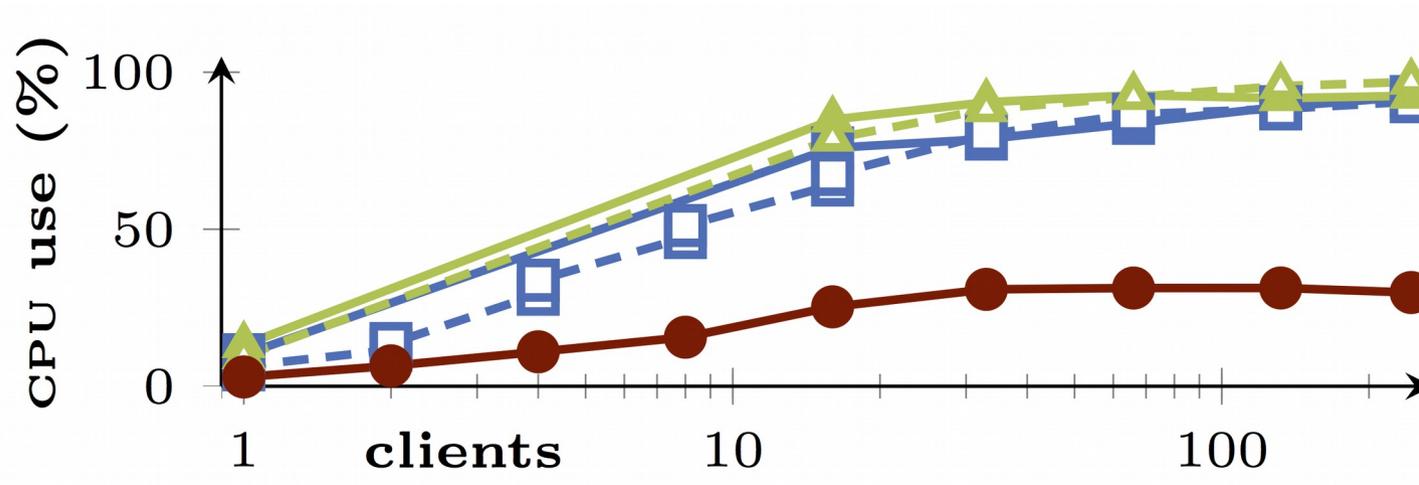


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Server-Side CPU Load

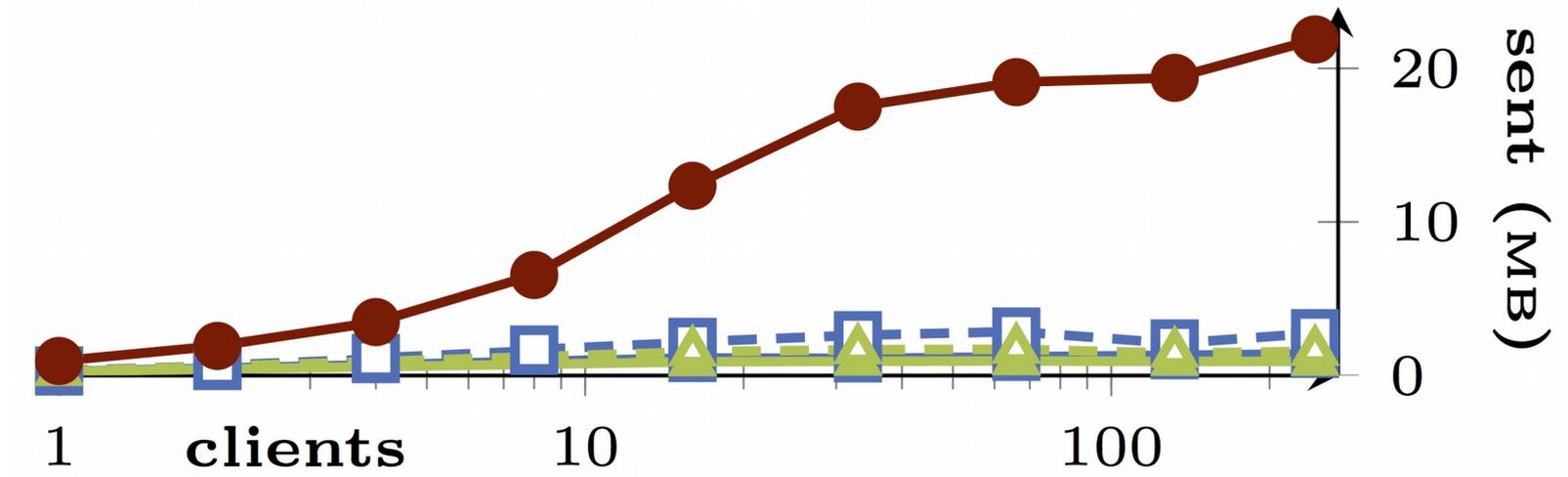


Observation: TPF server uses much less CPU

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Cache Traffic (TPF vs. SPARQL Endpoints)



Observation: caching is significantly more effective
(because clients reuse fragments for queries)

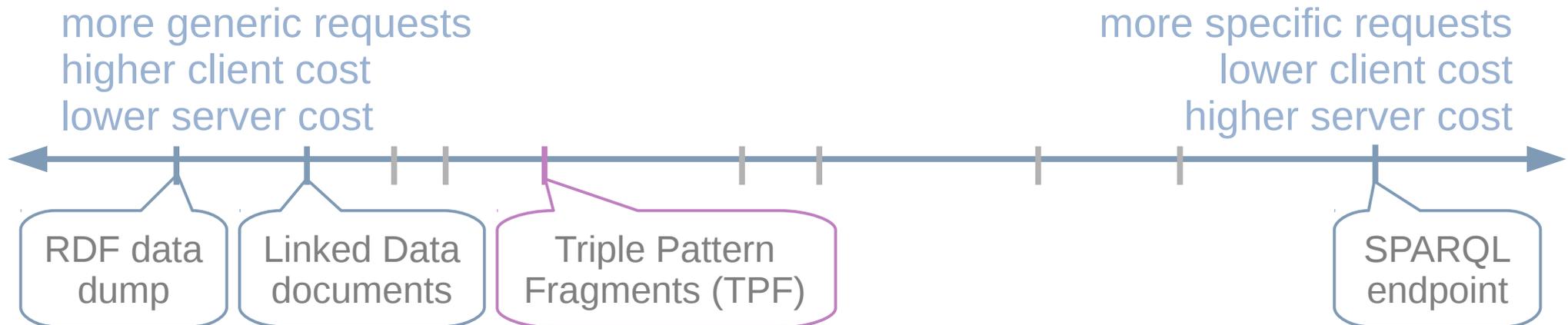
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Summary of Experimental Results

Compared to SPARQL endpoints, query throughput is lower but ...

- ...resilient to high client numbers
- ...server-side load is much smaller and more regular (which allows for a higher availability, in particular on small, less expensive servers!)
- ...HTTP caching is significantly more effective



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