

# Panoply: Low-TCB Linux Applications With SGX Enclaves

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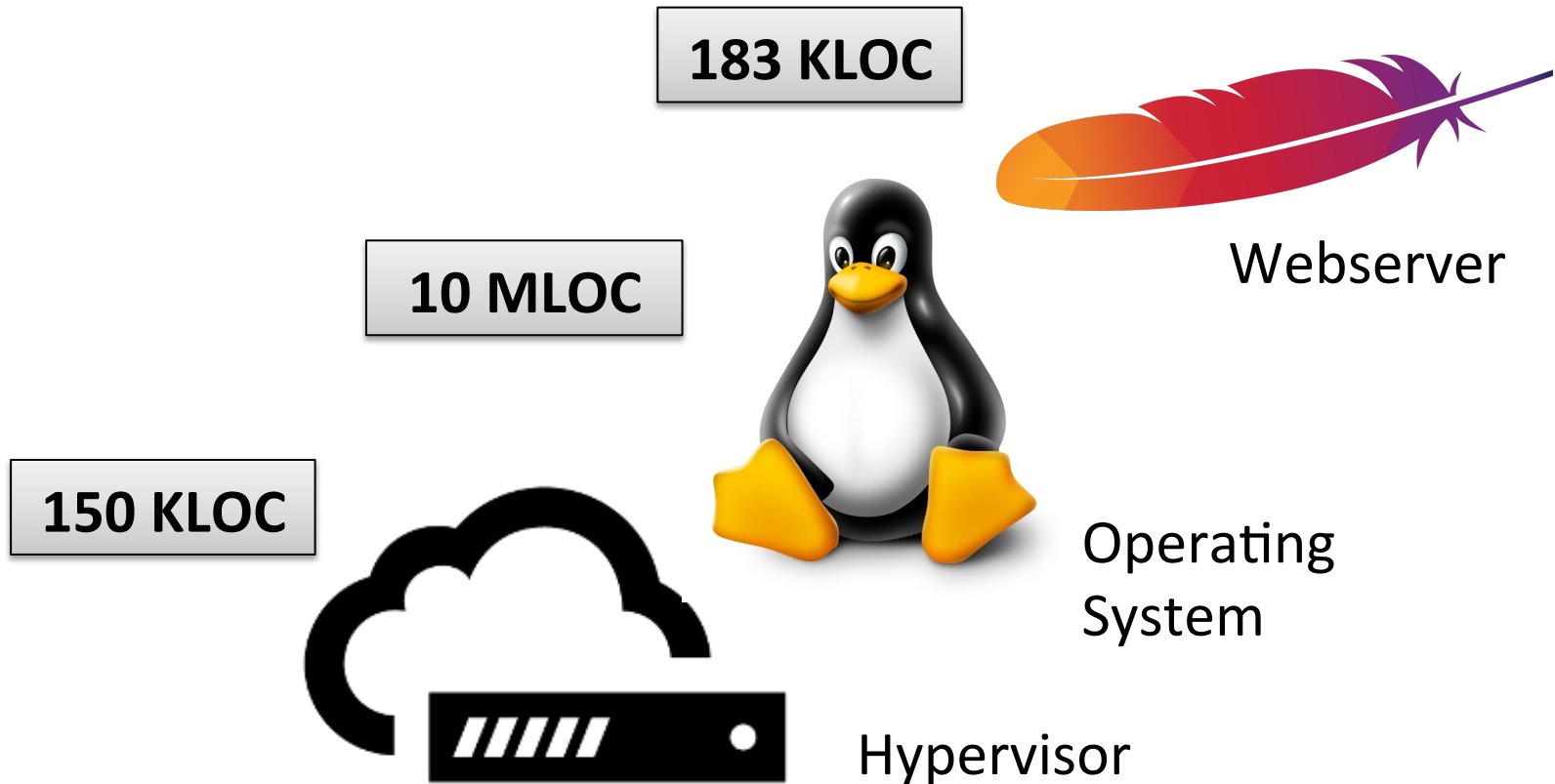
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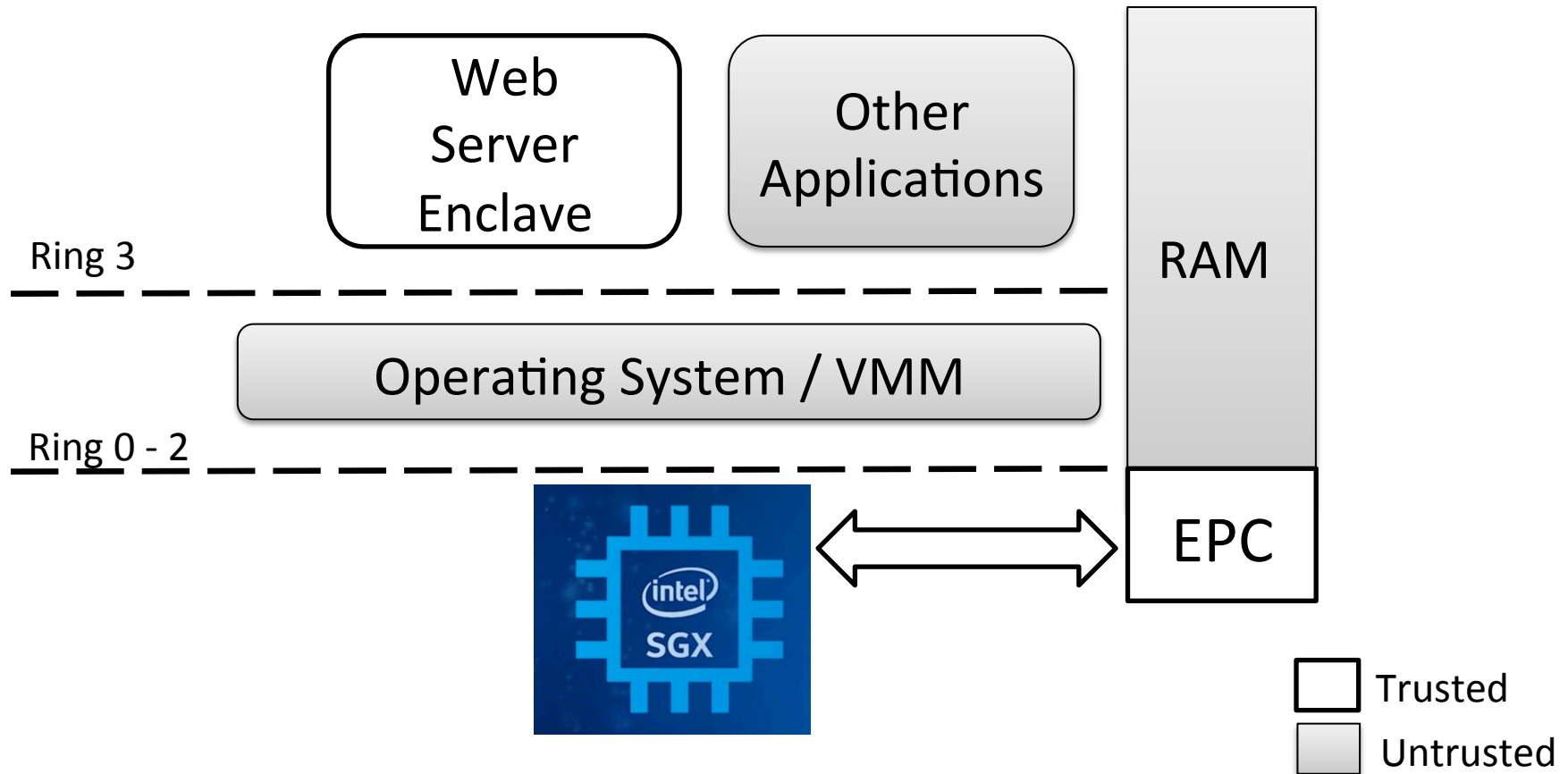
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# TCB: Hosting a Web Server

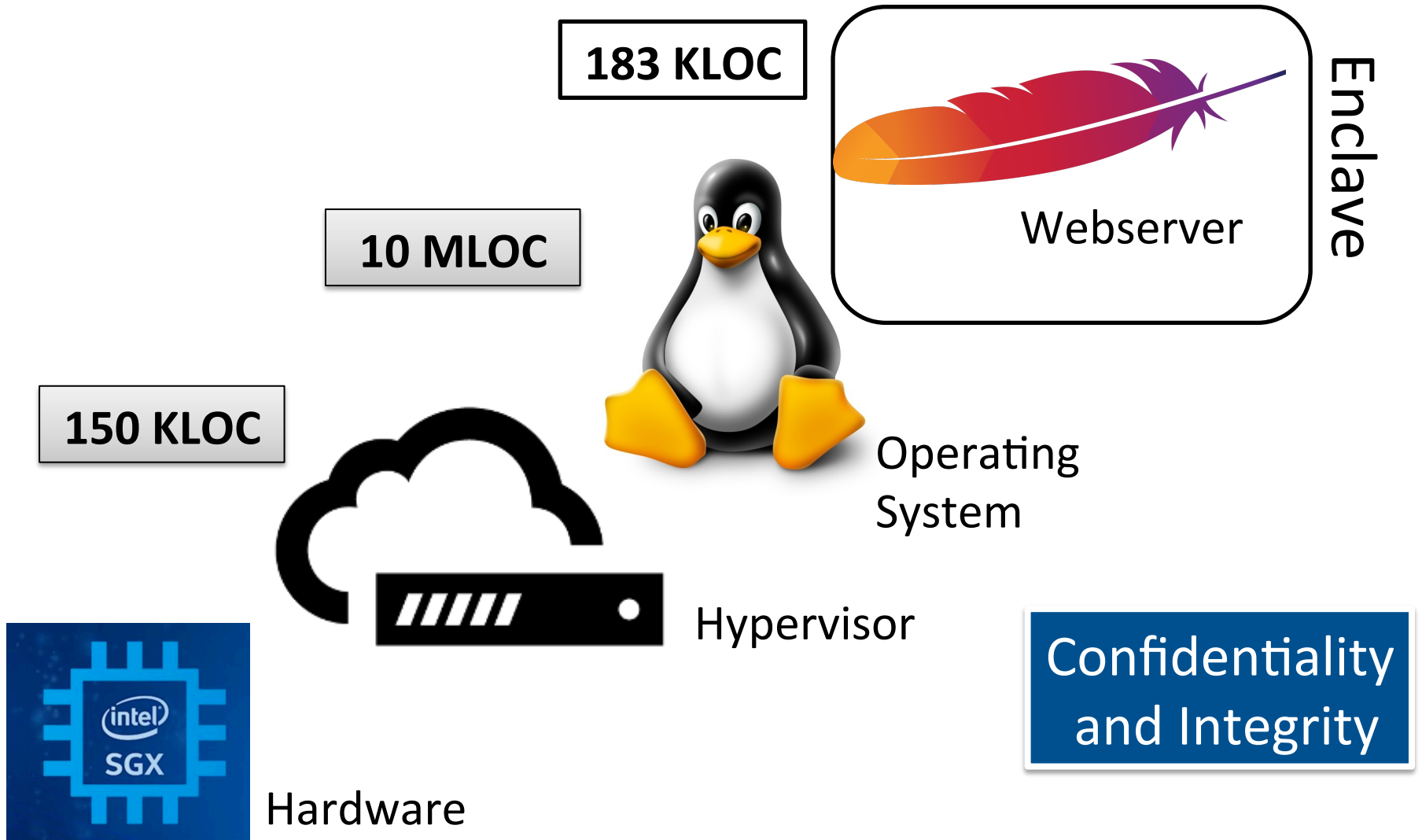
Current systems have a large TCB



# SGX: Hardware-root of Trust

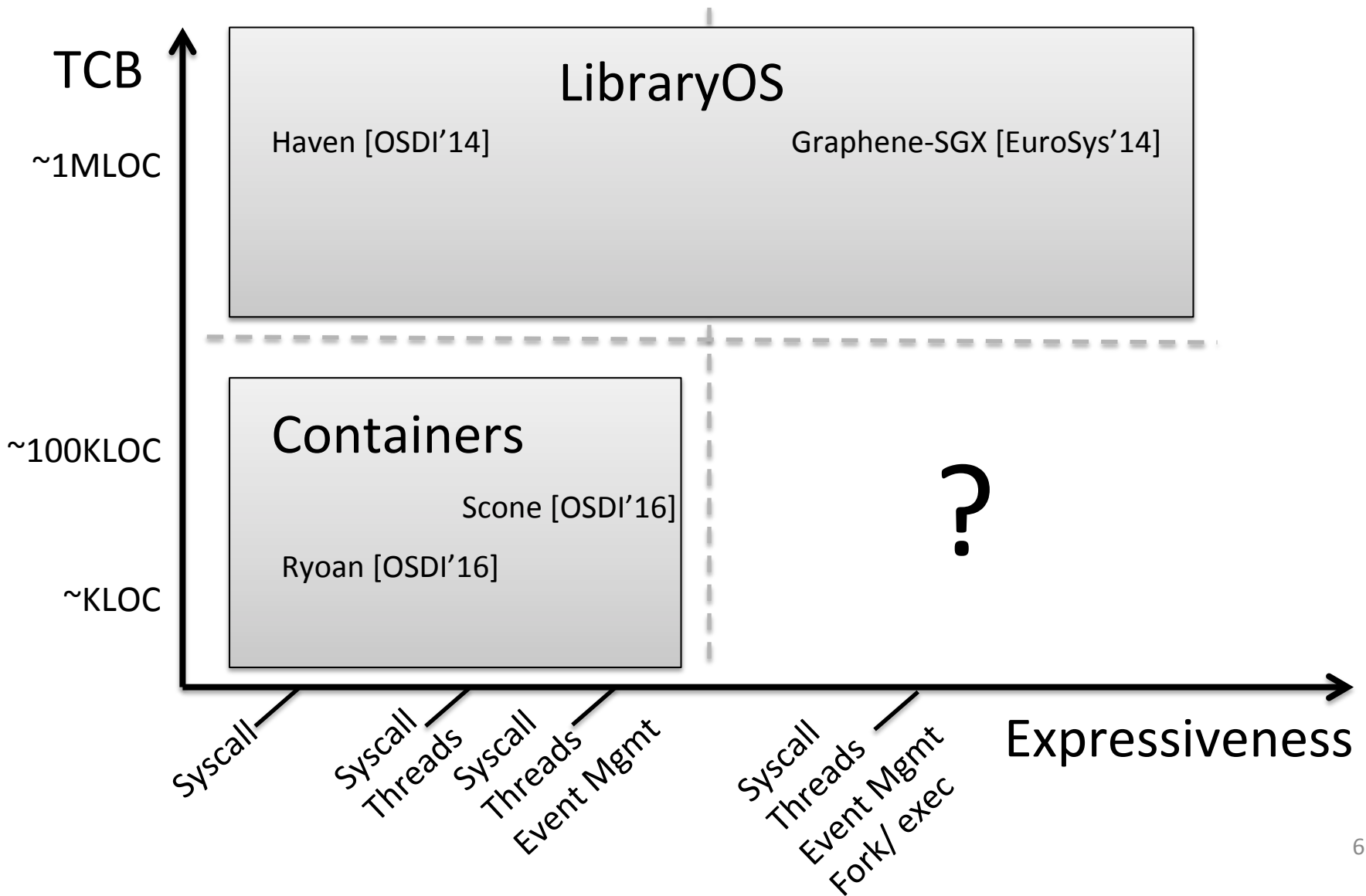


# SGX: Hardware-root of Trust



..but limits the expressiveness of the applications (e.g., no syscalls)

# TCB & Expressiveness Trade-off



# Contributions

- **Panoply**

- Expressiveness: All standard POSIX APIs
- Low TCB: 2 orders of magnitude smaller than LibraryOS
- Library-enclaves for fine-grained TCB

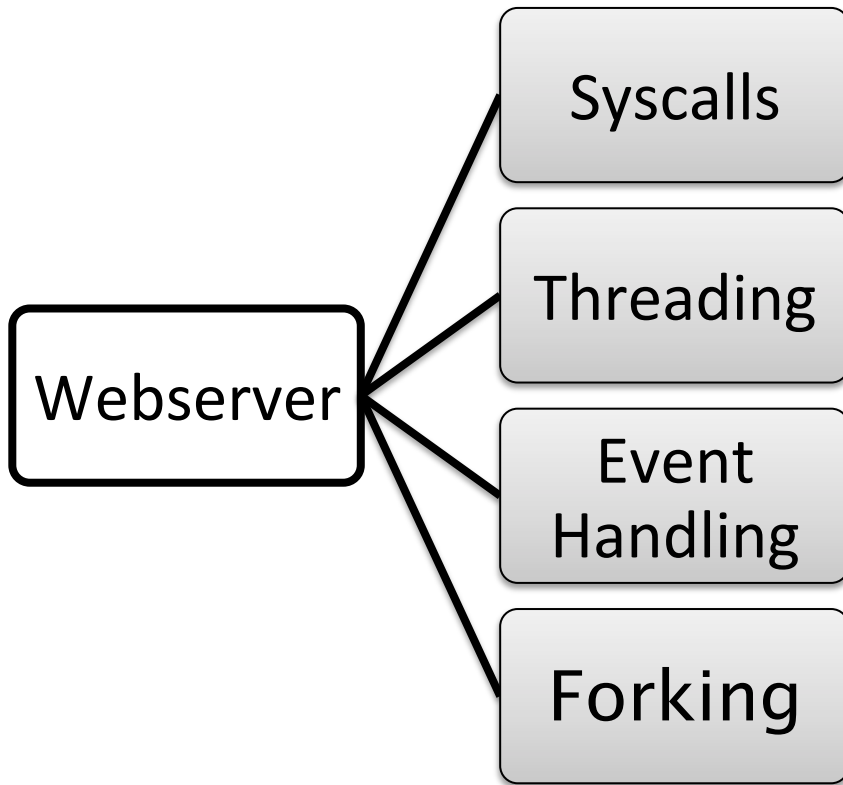
- **Evaluation**

- Absolute 24% and 5-10% compared to LibraryOS

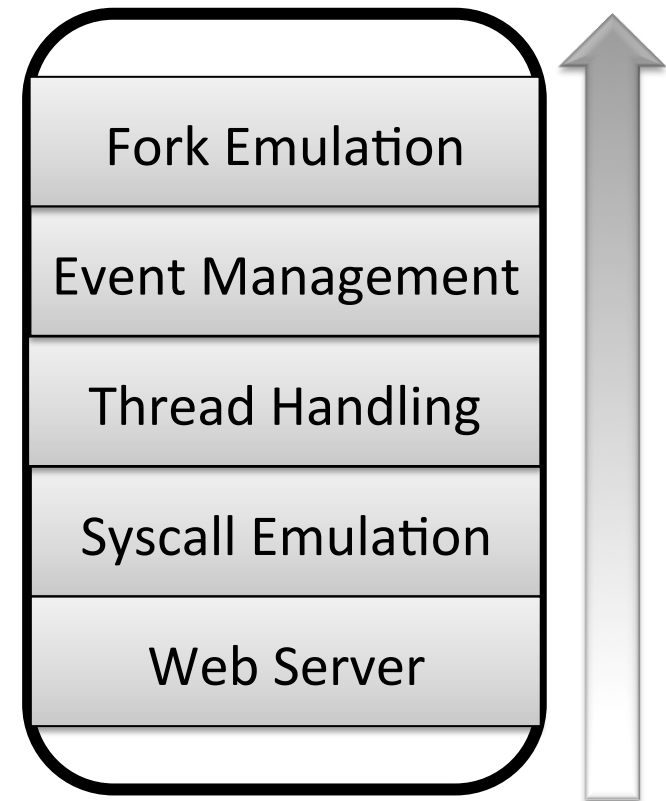
# Problem



# Challenge I: Expressiveness vs TCB



Legacy Application Design



Enclave

TCB

# Challenge I: Expressiveness vs. TCB

Expressiveness

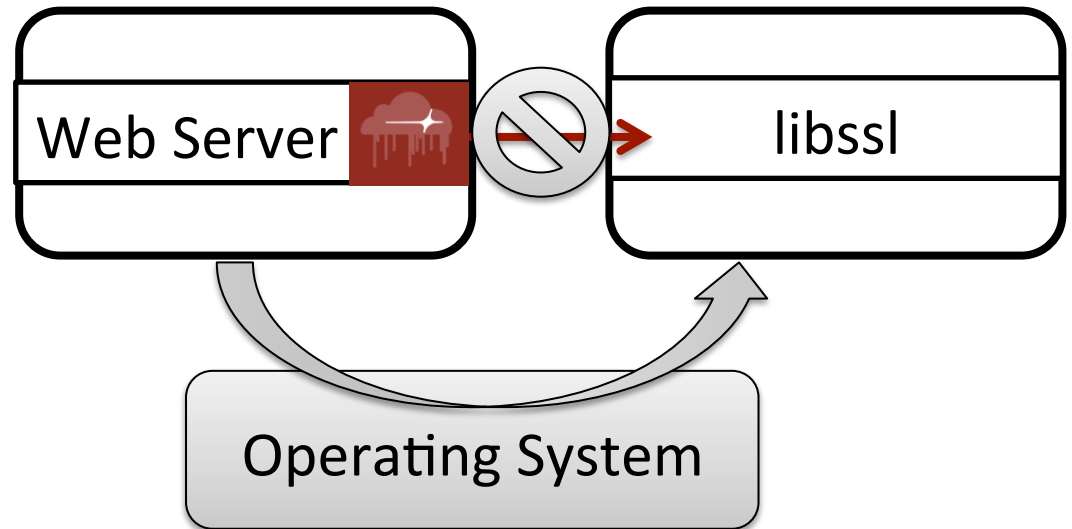


TCB

# Challenge II: Multi-Enclave Applications



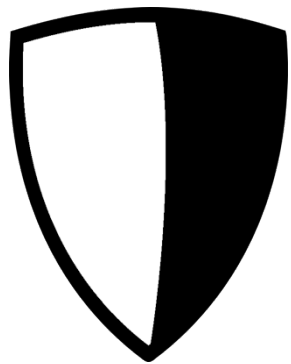
Single Enclave Application



Multi-Enclave Application

# Attacks on Multi-Enclave Applications

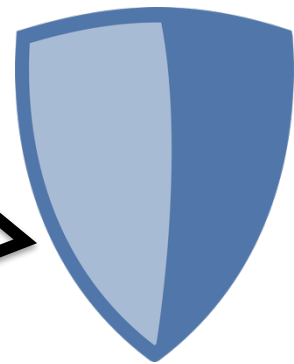
```
session_t session;  
certificate_credentials_t xcred;  
  
/* Specify callback function*/  
certificate_set_verify_function (...); [SSL Lib]  
  
/* Initialize TLS session */  
init (&session, TLS_CLIENT);
```



Webservice  
Enclave

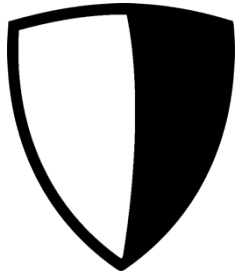


Set SSL  
Callback



SSL Library  
Enclave

# Attacks on Multi-Enclave Applications



Webserver  
Enclave



SSL Library  
Enclave

Drop



Spoof



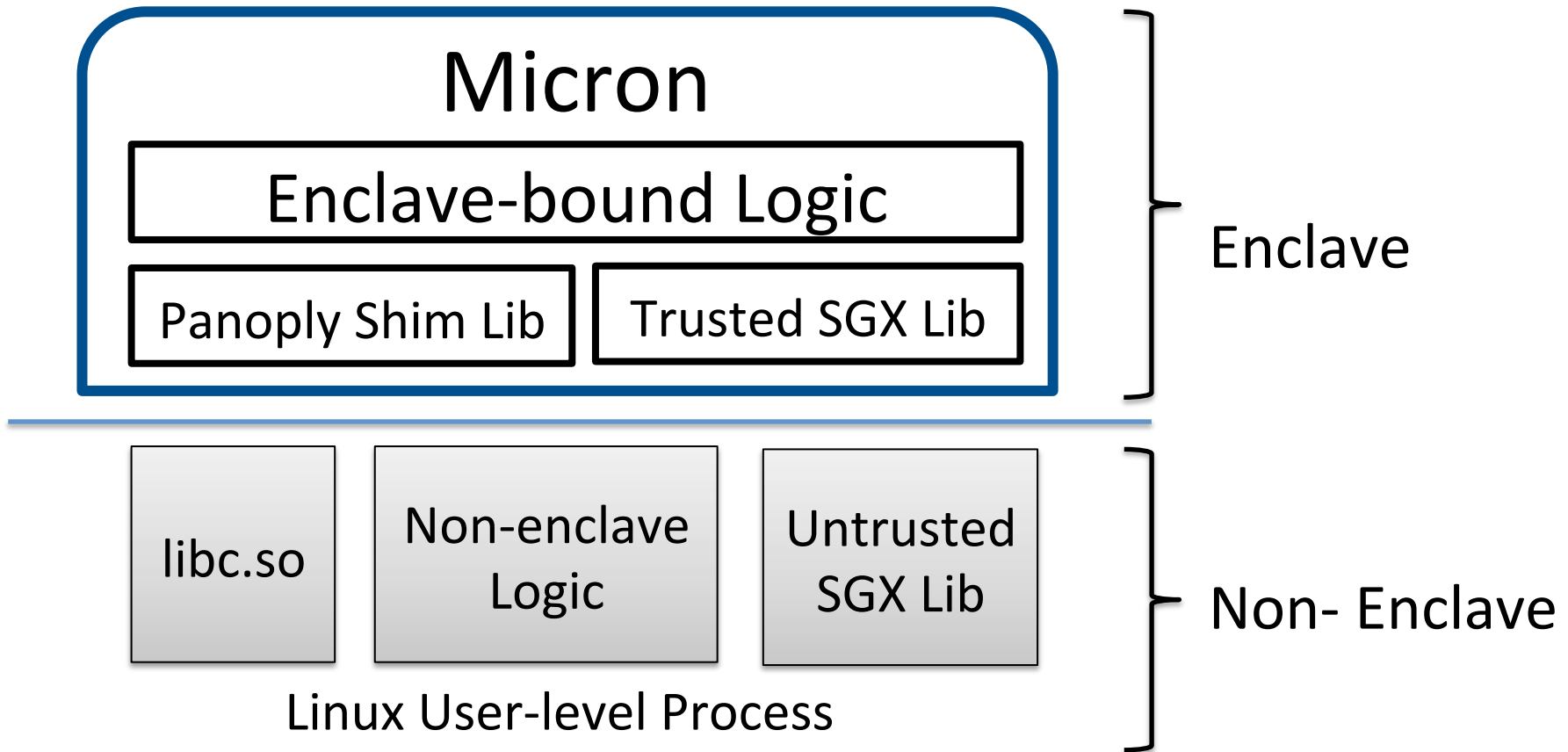
Replay



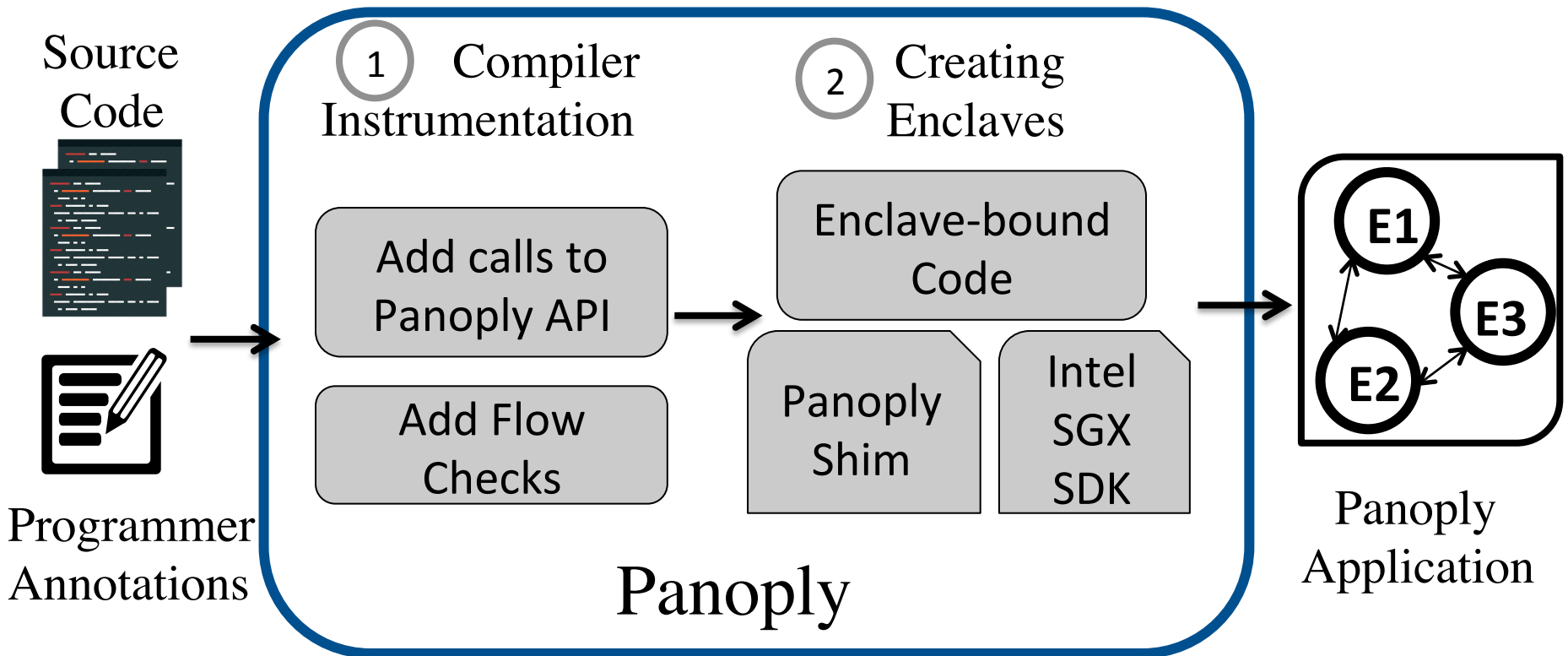
# Our Solution: Panoply

# Panoply Runtime

Microns keep libc outside the enclave



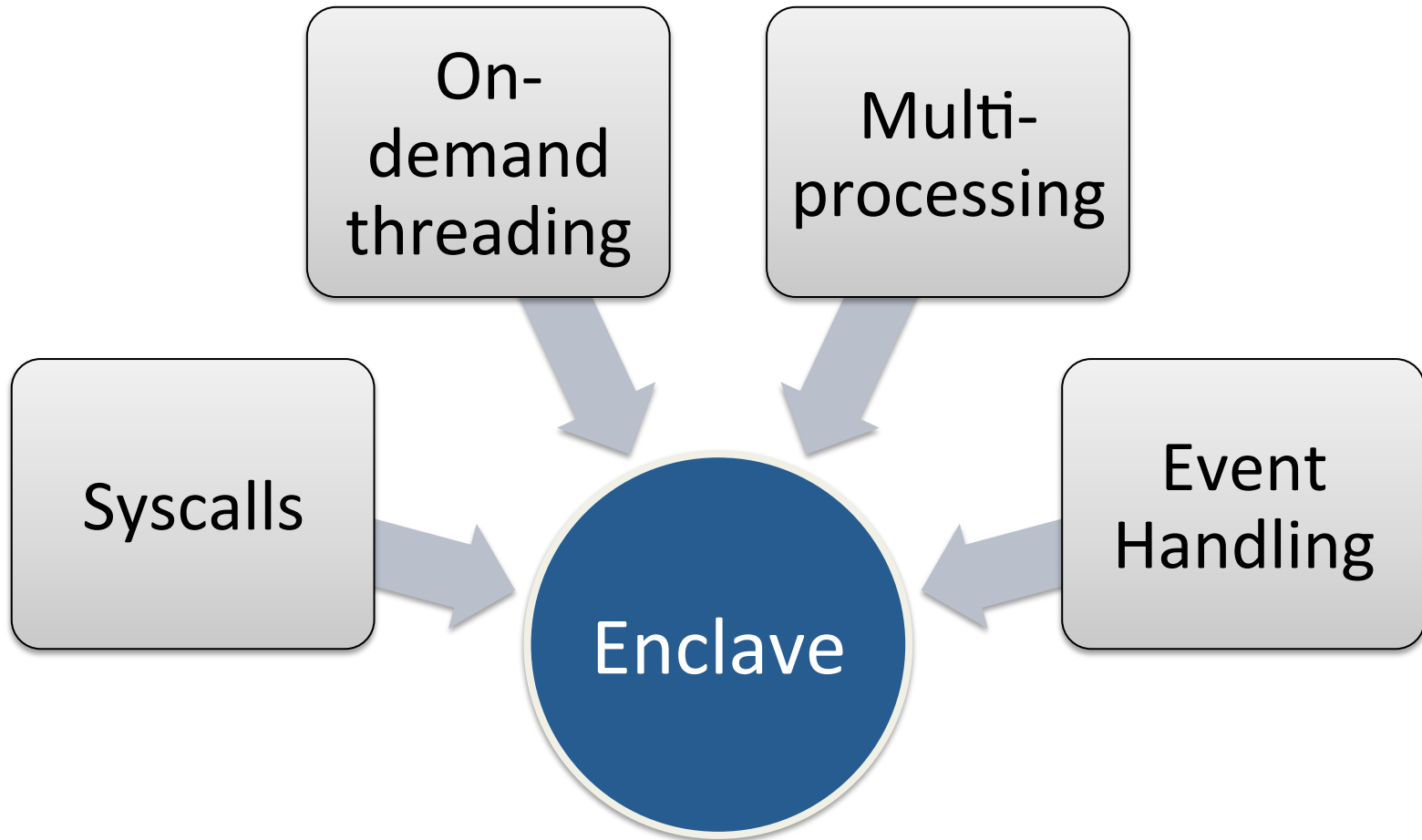
# Overview





# Challenge I: Expressiveness

Delegate rather than emulate



# Expressiveness: Panoply APIs

## Core Services

Process Creation and Control	5
Signals	6
Timers	5
File and Directory Operations	37
Pipes	4
C Library (Standard C)	66
I/O Port Interface and Control	40

## Thread Extensions

Thread Creation, Control, and Cleanup	17
Thread Scheduling	4
Thread Synchronization	10
Signal Delivery	2
Signal Handling	3

## Real-time Extensions

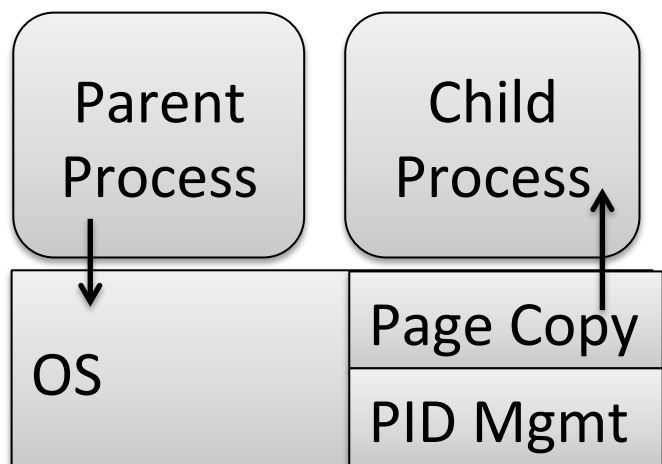
Real-Time Signals	4
Clocks and Timers	1
Semaphores	2
Message Passing	7
Shared Memory	6
Asynchronous and Synchronous I/O	29
Memory Locking Interface	6

**POSIX APIs  
Supported for  
Commodity Linux Apps**

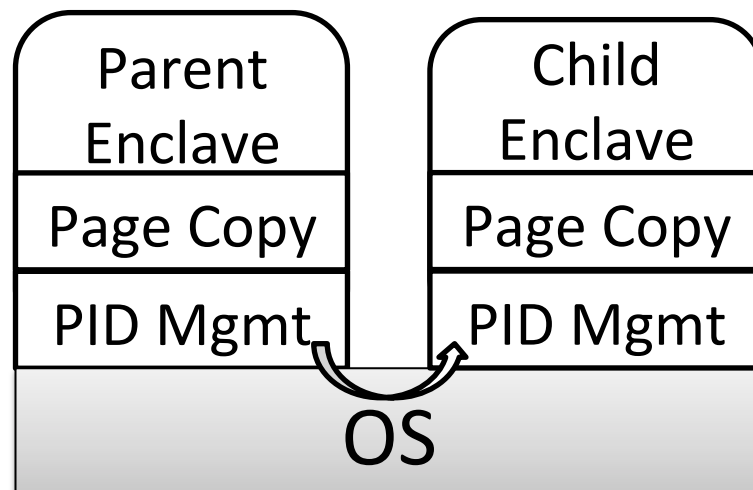
# Expressiveness Example: Fork

## LibraryOSes emulate fork semantics

### Fork Semantics

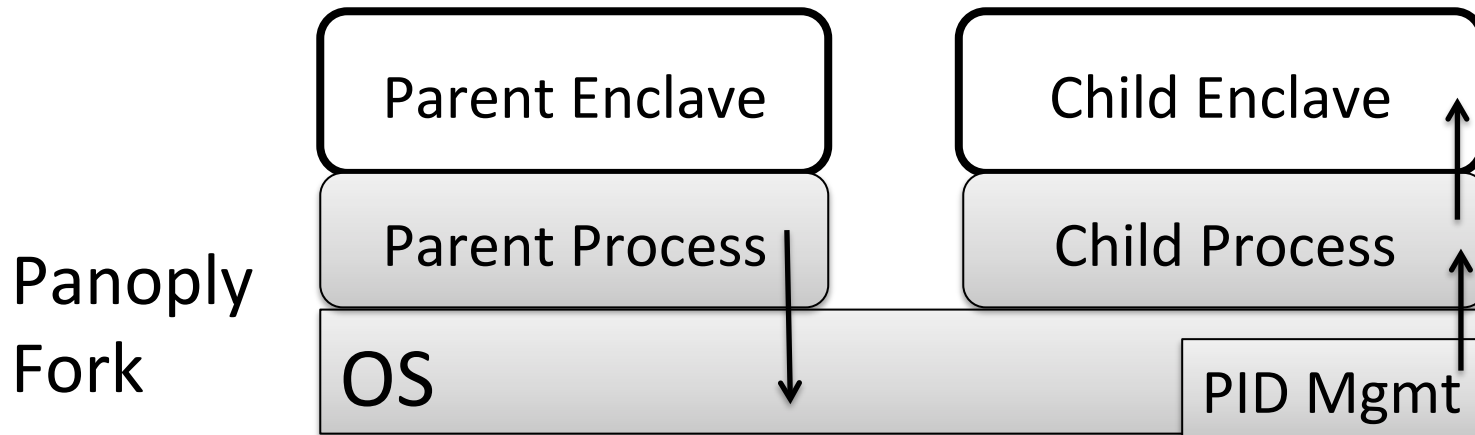


### LibraryOS Fork Implementation



# Expressiveness Example: Delegating Fork

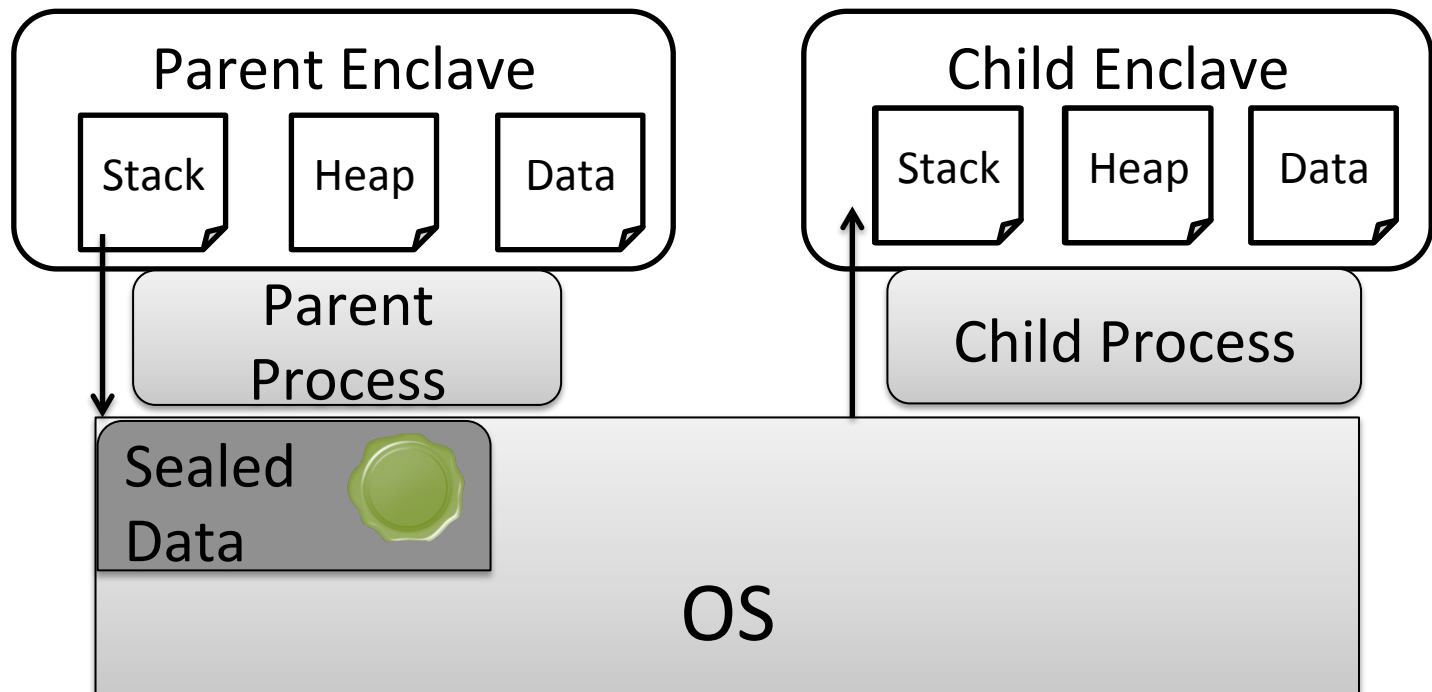
- Creating child process and child enclave



- Child enclave has a clean memory state

# Expressiveness Example: Achieving Fork Semantics

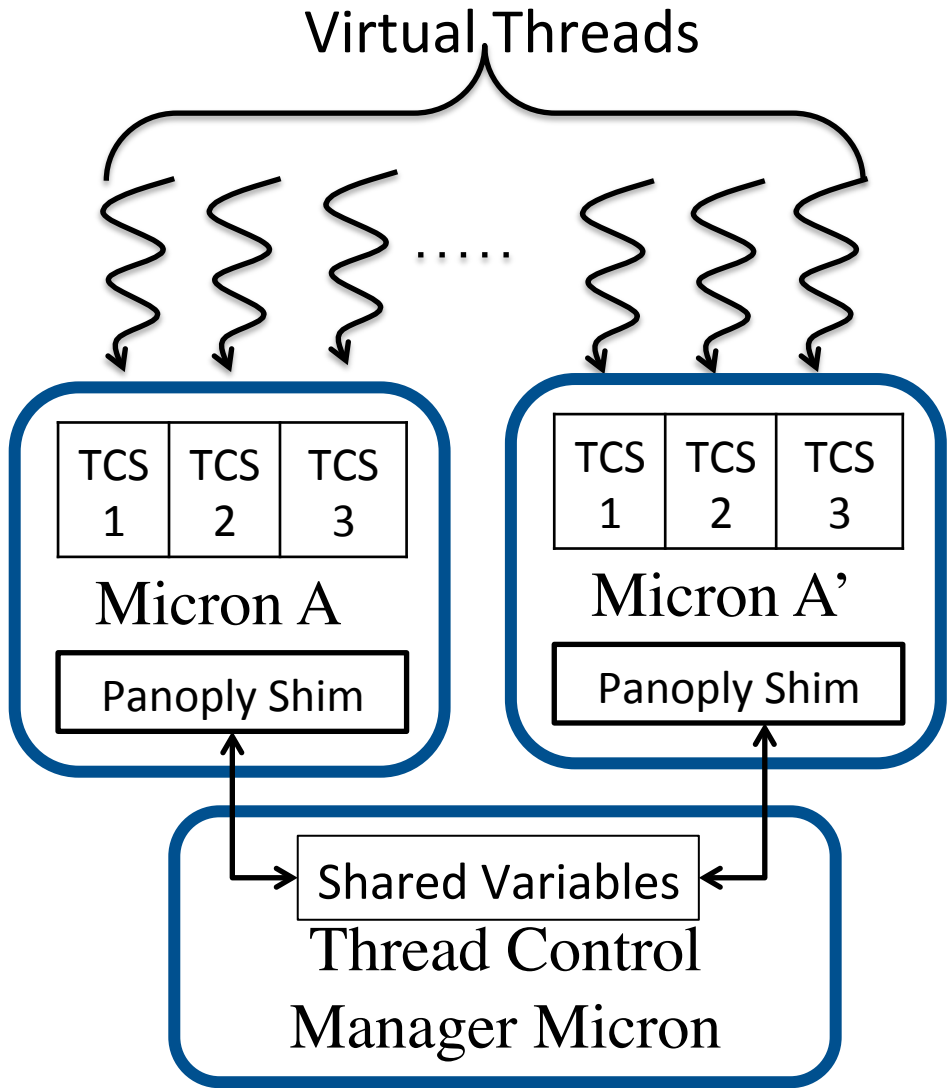
- Mirroring parent's memory in child enclave
  - After the fork call, before resuming execution



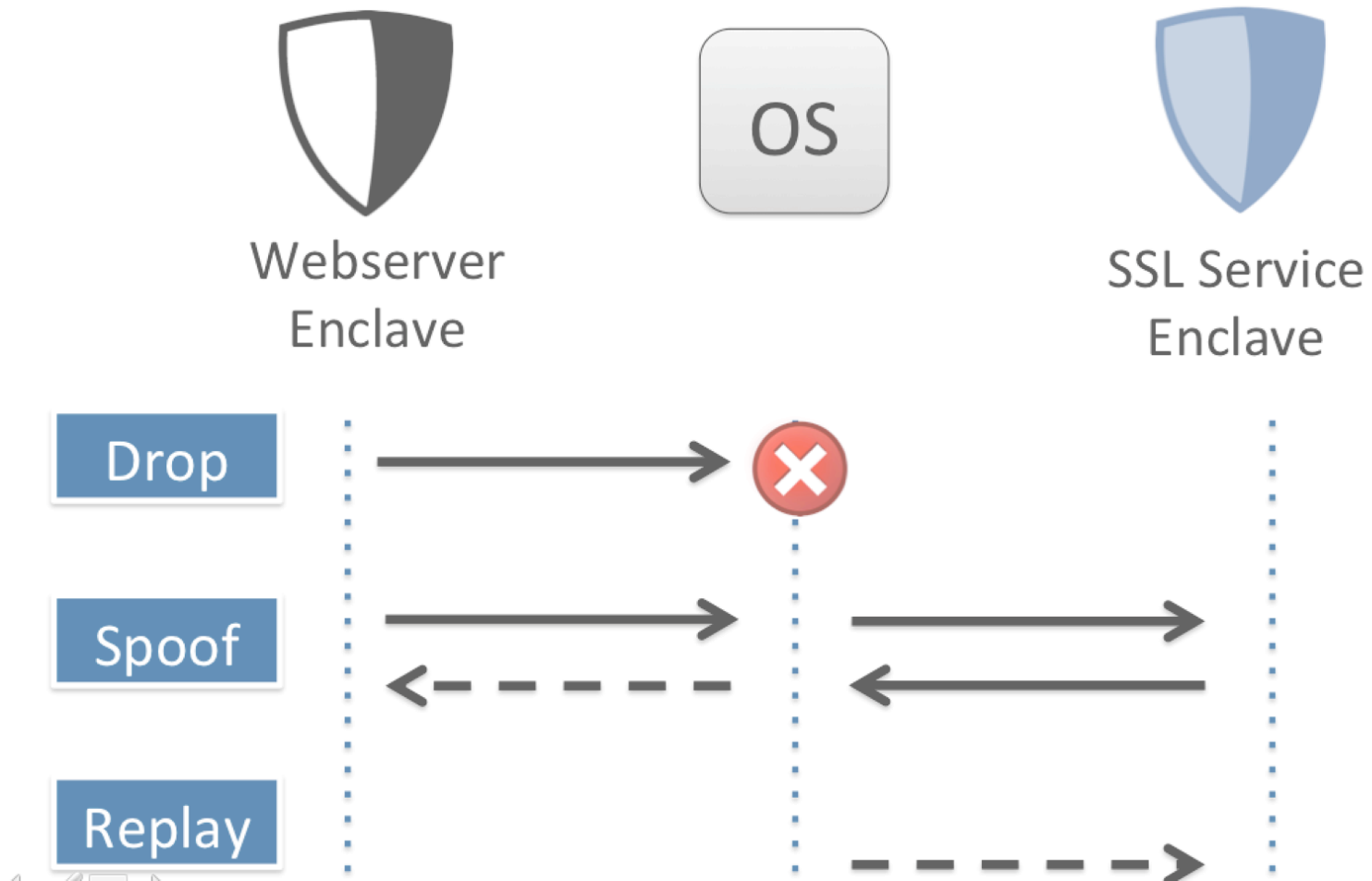
# Expressiveness Example: Achieving Fork Semantics

- Mirroring parent's memory in child enclave
  - Full replica: default mode in Panoply
- Alternative strategies to full replica
  - Copy on demand: Requires page-fault support from SGX v2
  - Copy on need: Replicate selected addresses which are pre-determined by static analysis

# Expressiveness Example: Multi-Threading

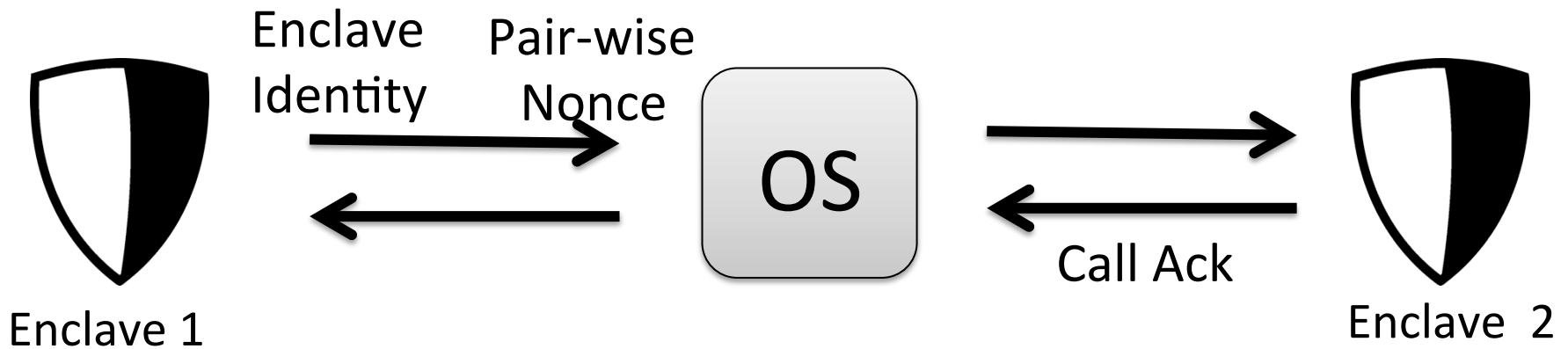


# Challenge II: Multi-enclave Applications





# Securing Multi-Enclave Apps



## Attack

Spoofing  
Replay  
Silent Drops

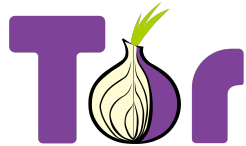
## Security Property

Sender / Receiver Authentication  
Message Freshness  
Reliable Delivery

# Evaluation

# Benchmarks

- Real-world use-cases for SGX
  - **4** apps: Tor, H2O web server, FreeTDS, OpenSSL



- Operating system stress testing
  - **26** LMBench benchmarks tests
  - **17** metrics for memory, network, signal, syscall APIs

# TCB Evaluation

## Panoply

Component	LOC
Panoply Library	10425
API Wrappers	9788
Total	20213

## Graphene-SGX

Component	LOC
Glibc	1156740
libPal-LinuxSGX	16901
libPal-enclave	33103
Total	1206744

Panoply reduces TCB by 2 orders of magnitude

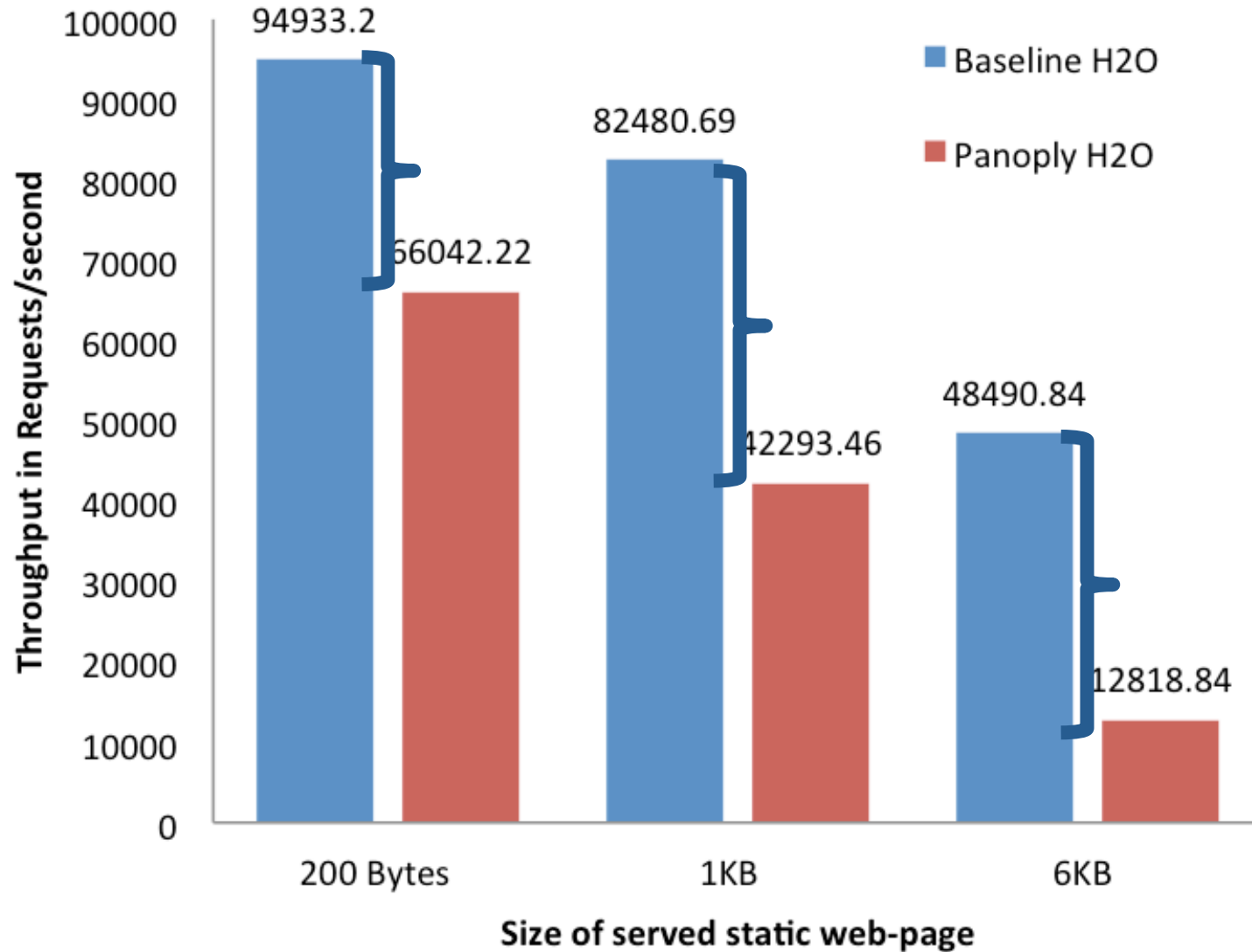
# Performance Evaluation

- Create delete takes large fraction of the time
- Overhead increases with number of Out-Calls

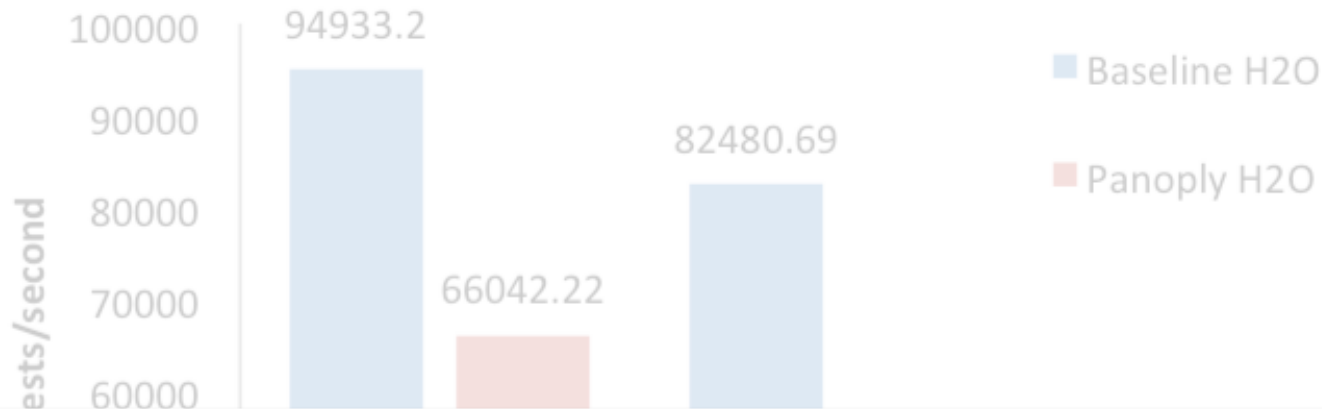
**Panoply incurs 24% overhead**

App	Panoply	Empty Enclave	Overhead (% increase)
OpenSSL	3.16	2.79	13
H2O	8.79	6.56	34
FreeTDS	8.74	8.60	1
Tor	6.72	4.54	48
Average			24

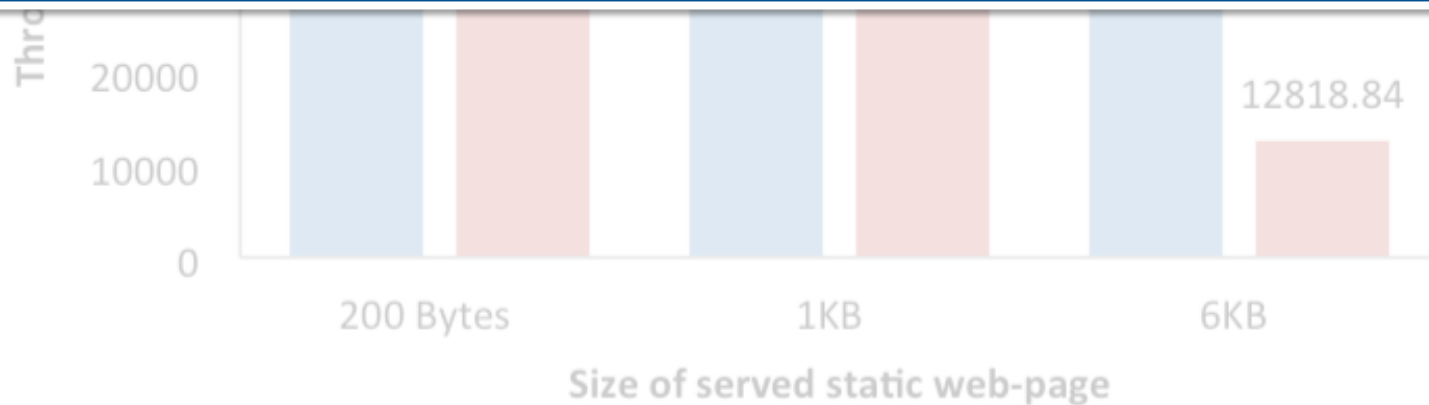
# Throughput Evaluation



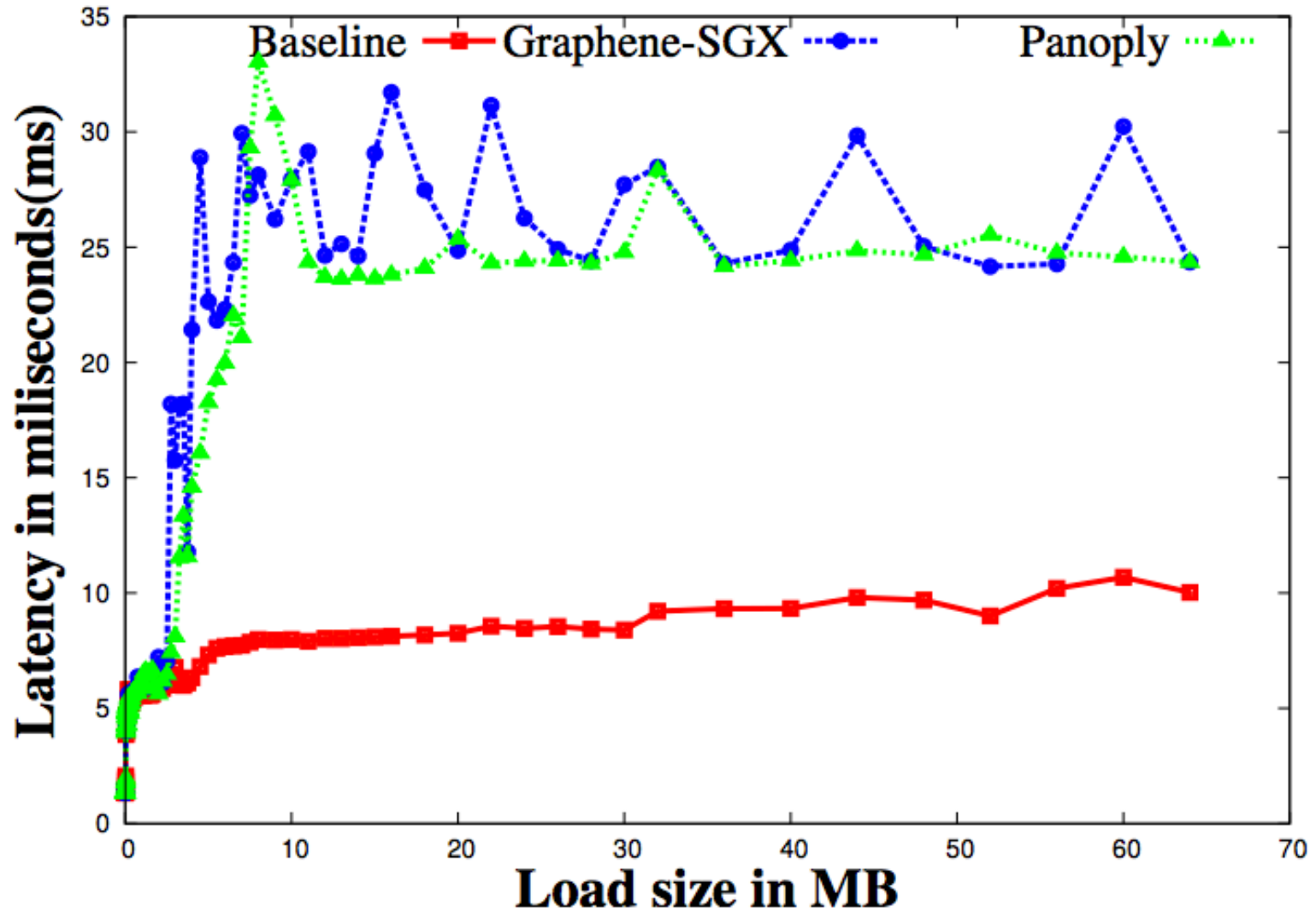
# Throughput Evaluation



Overhead for SGX-apps is proportional to the size of requests

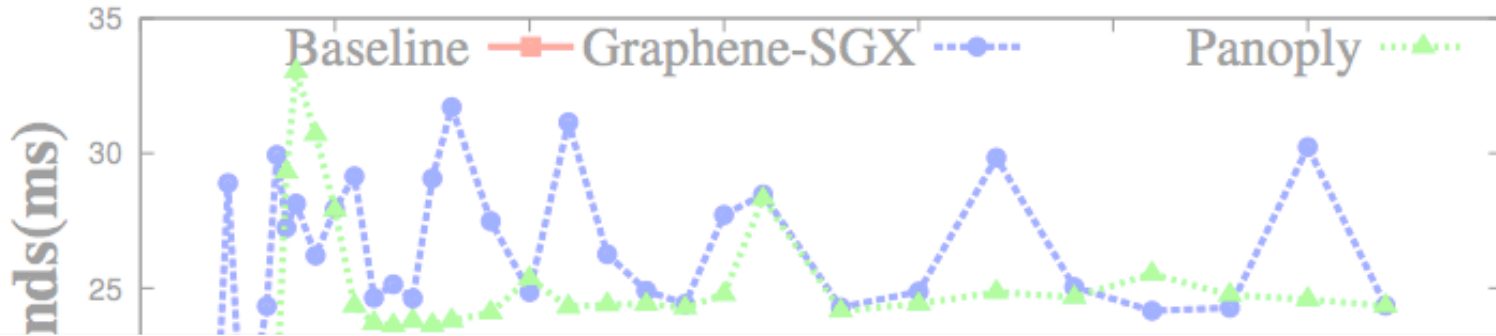


# Comparison with Graphene-SGX

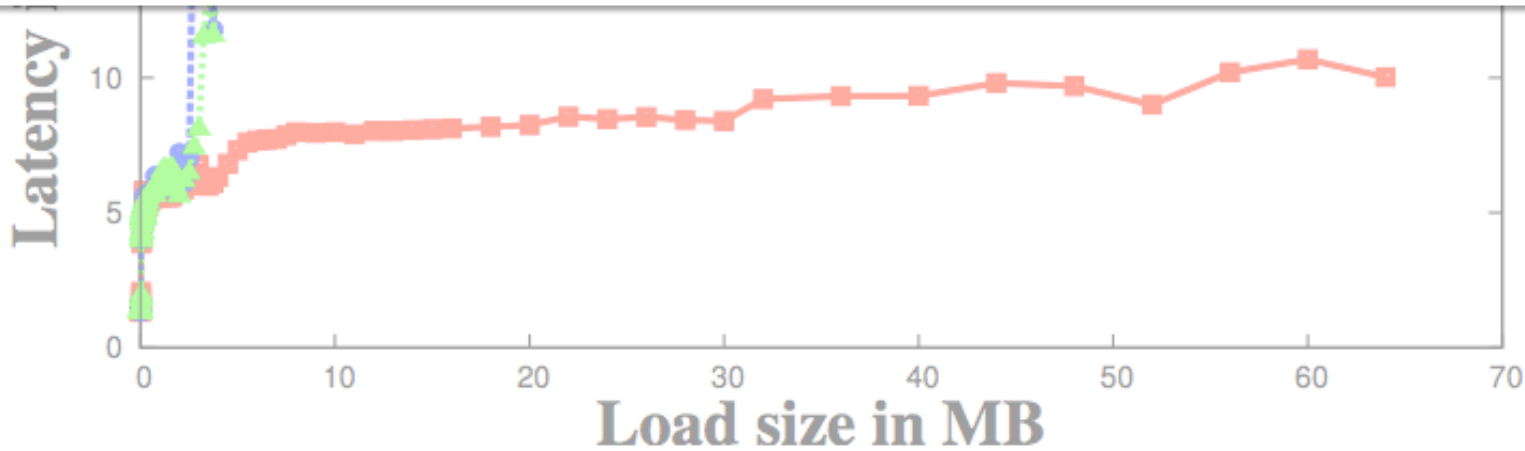




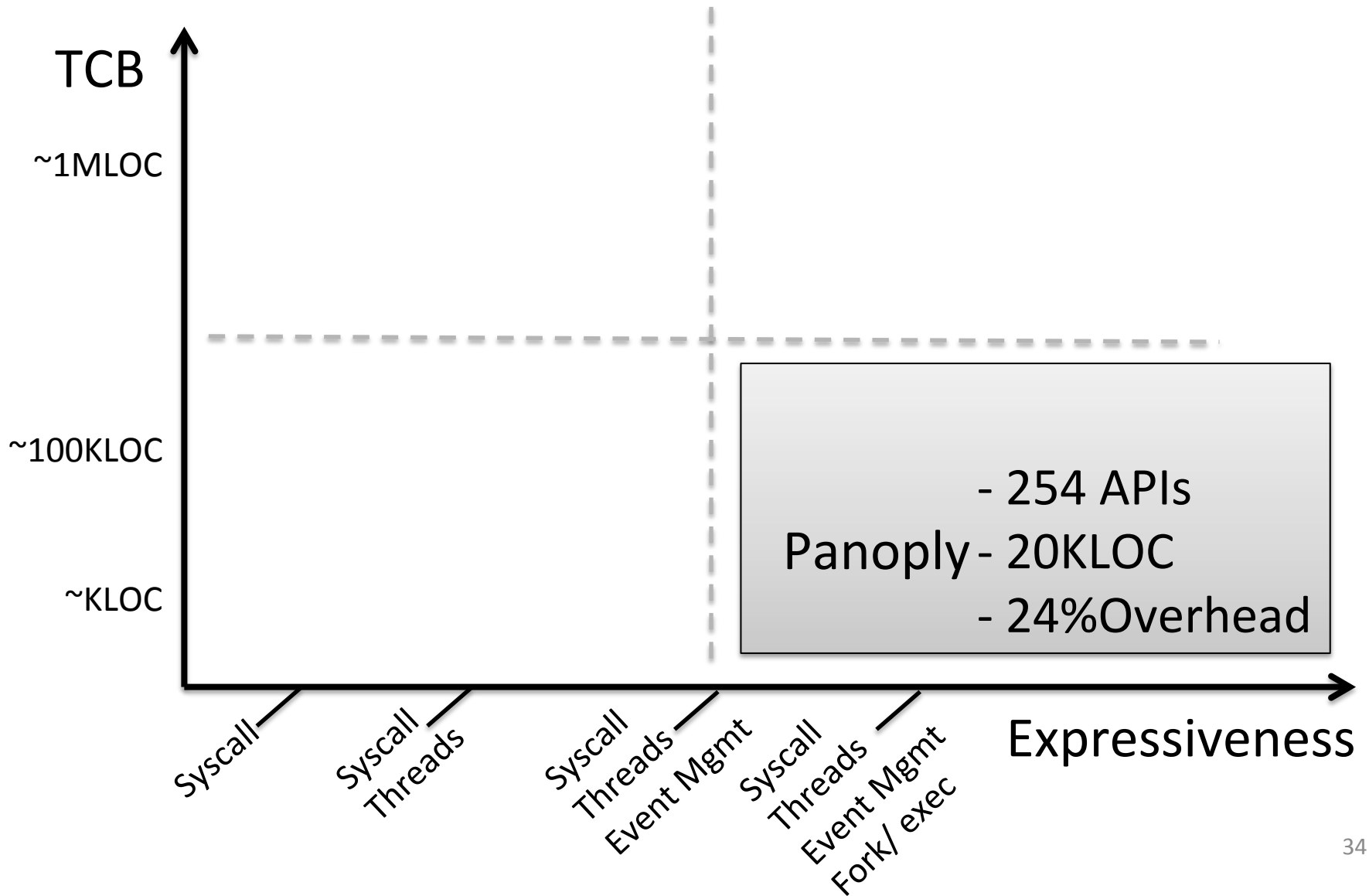
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Panoply performance varies by 5-10% as compared to Graphene-SGX



# Conclusion



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