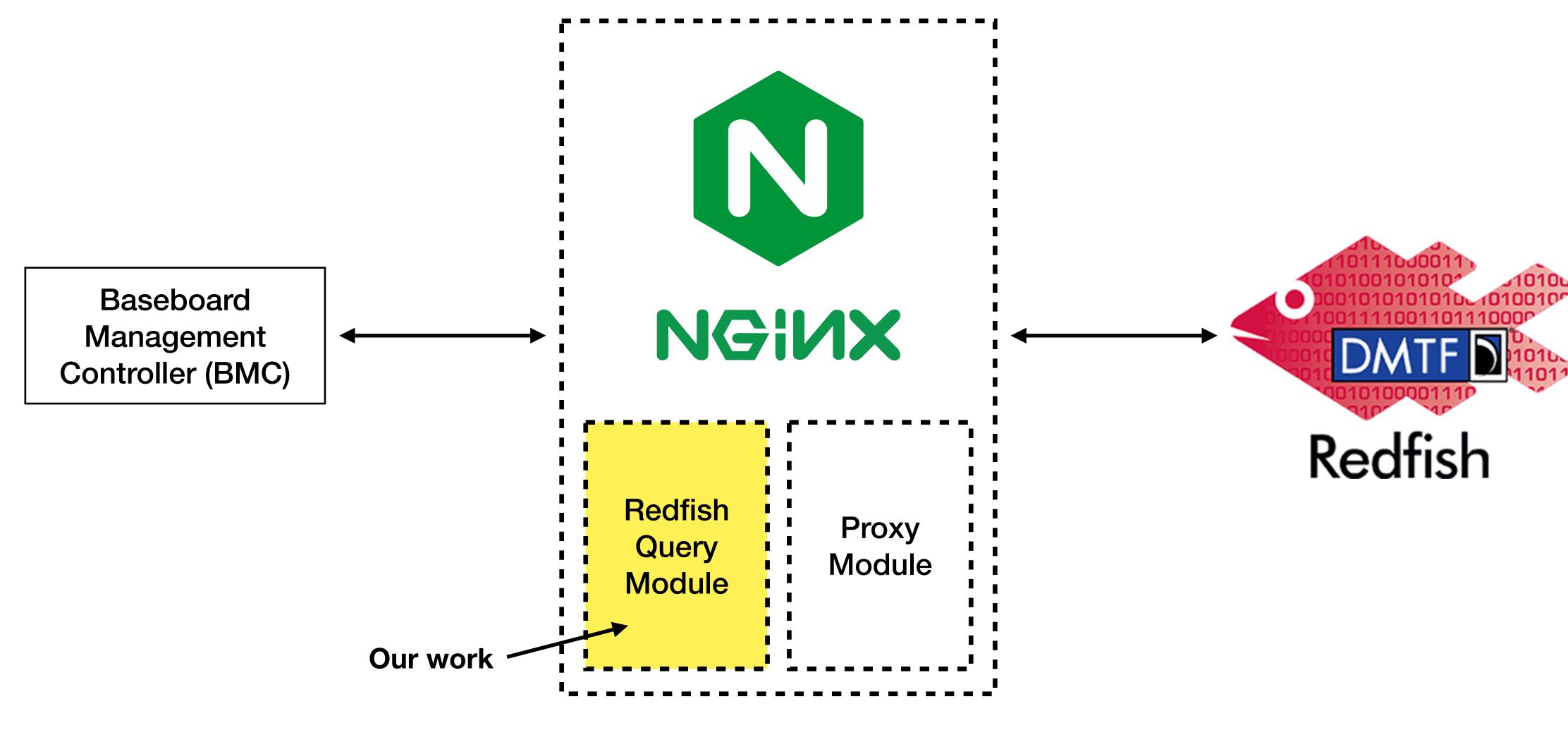
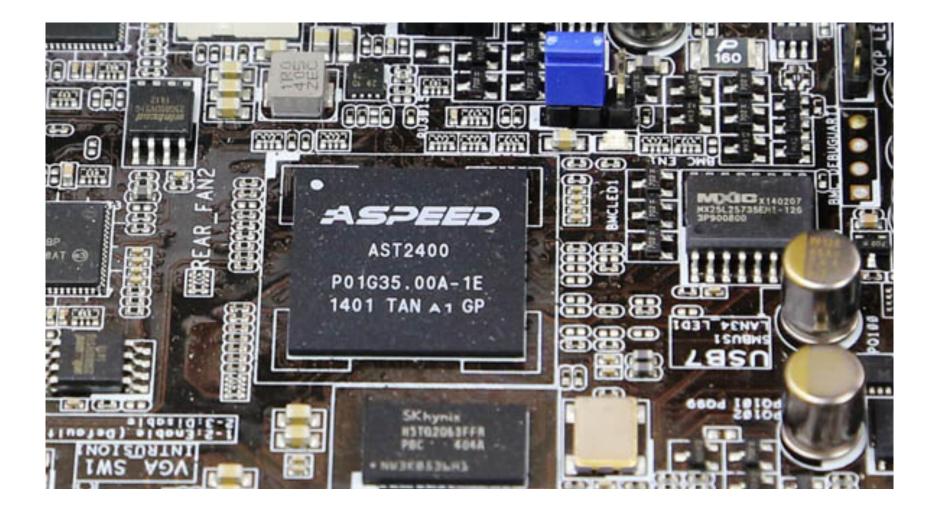
Prototype of Configurable Redfish Query Proxy Module

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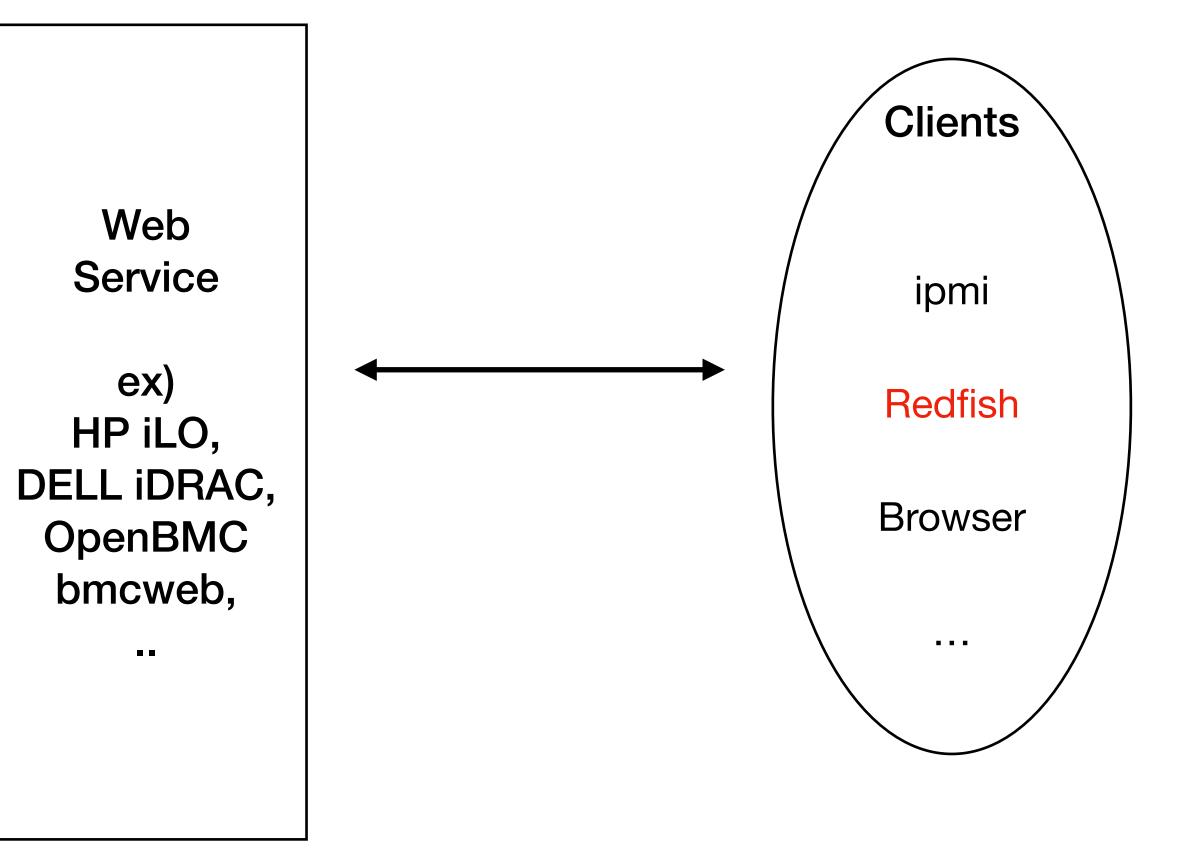


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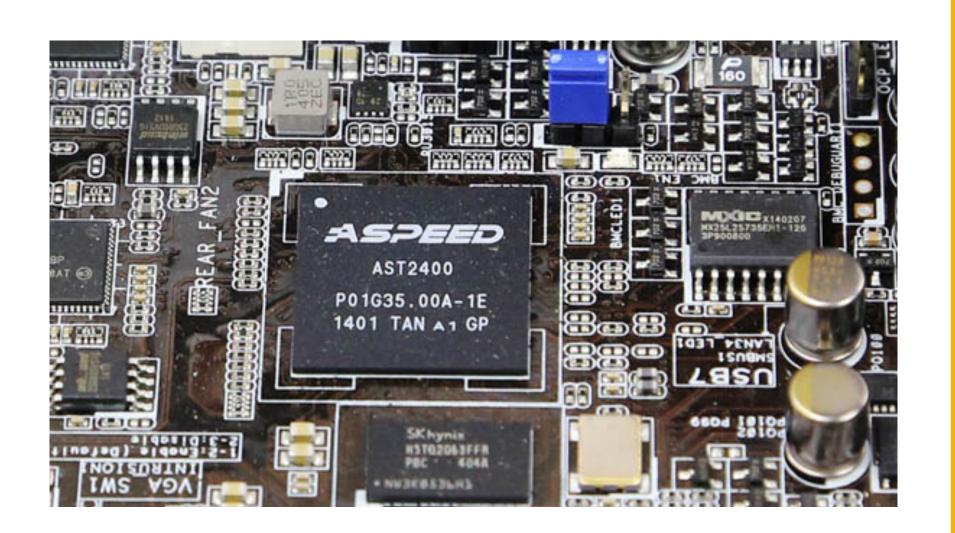


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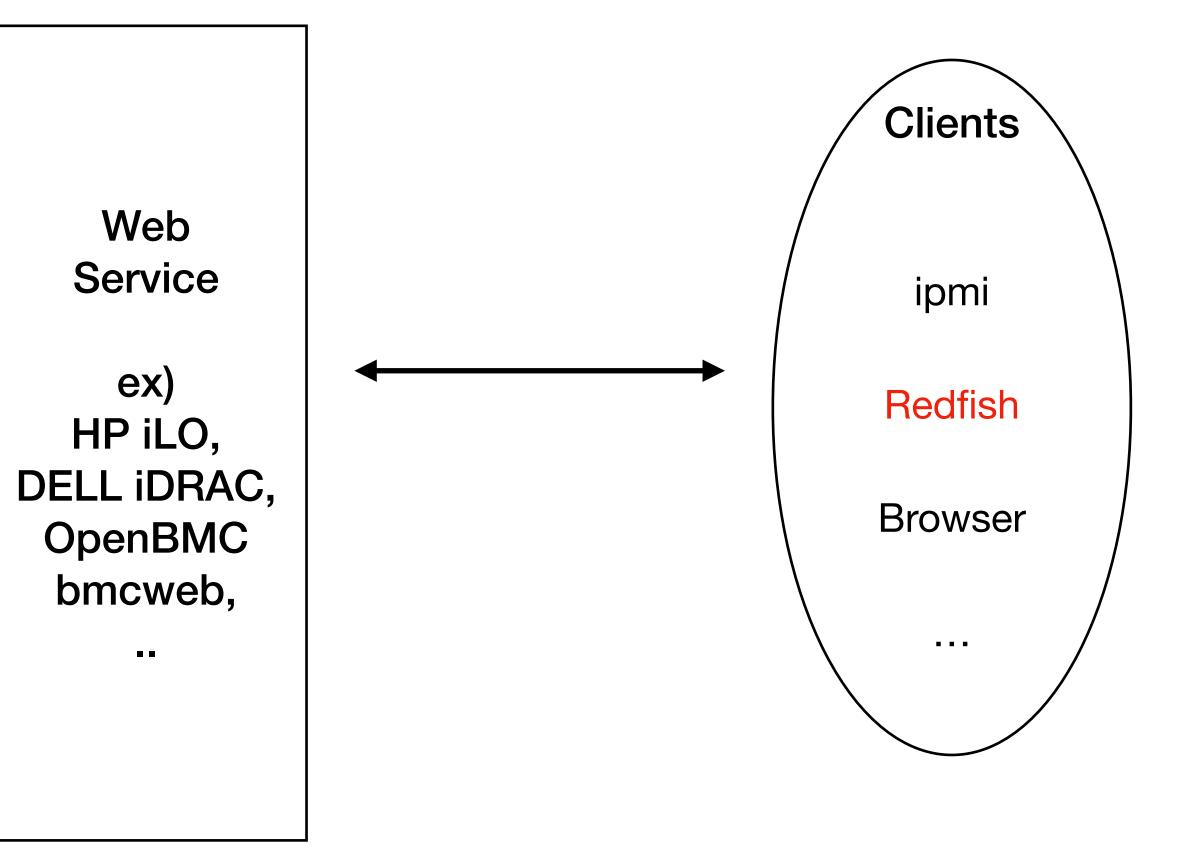


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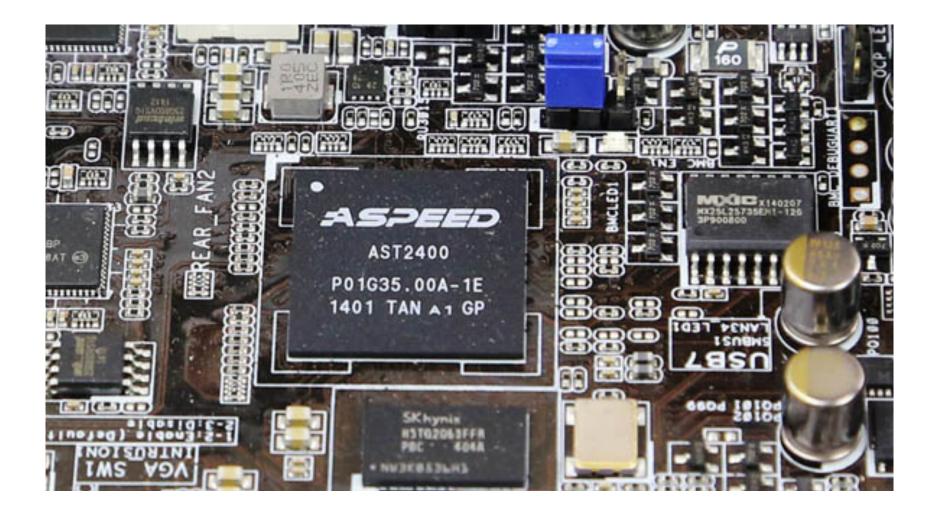


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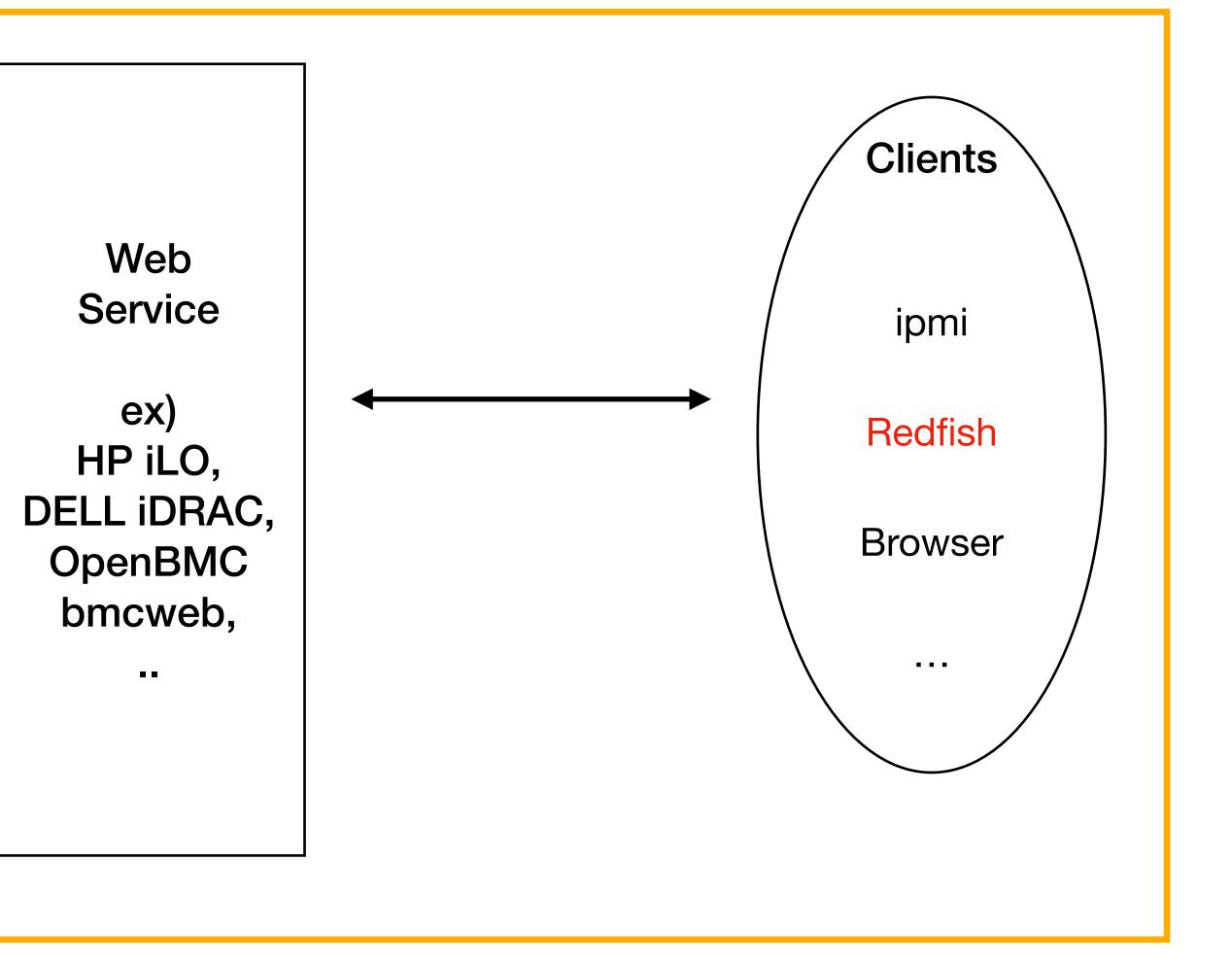


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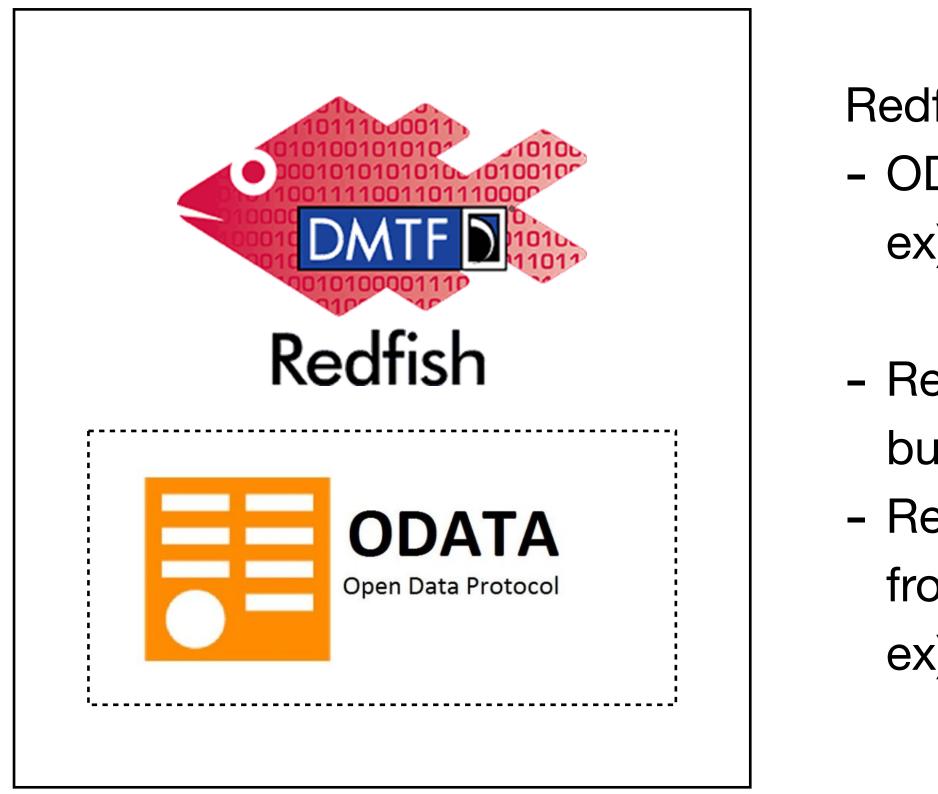


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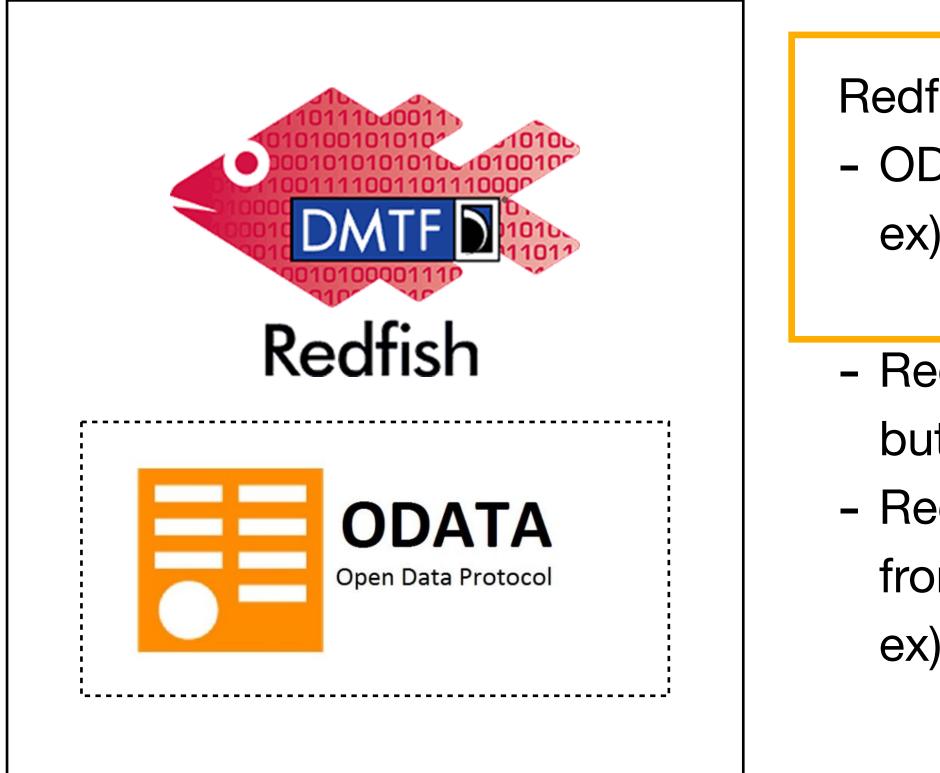


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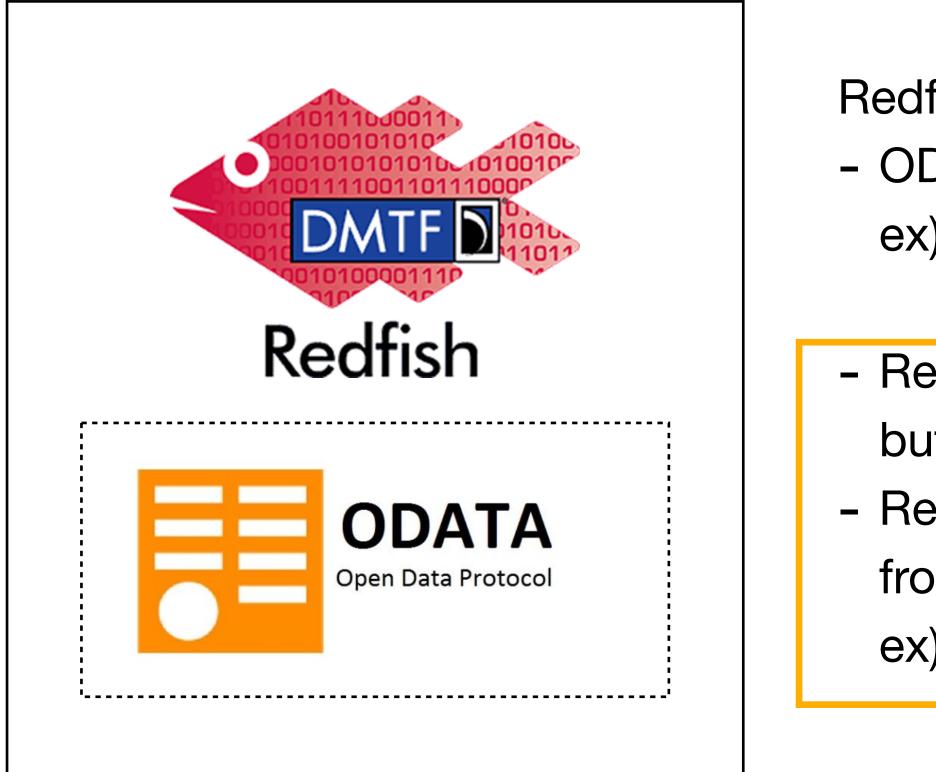
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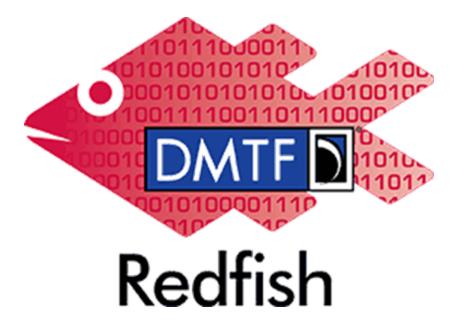
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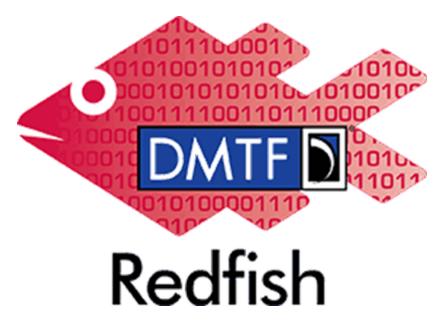
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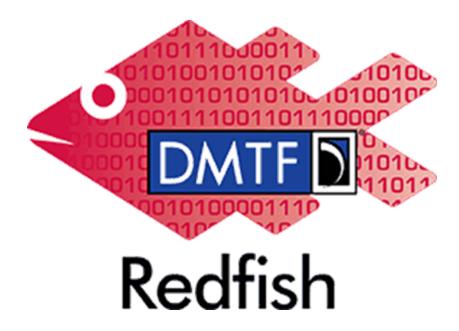
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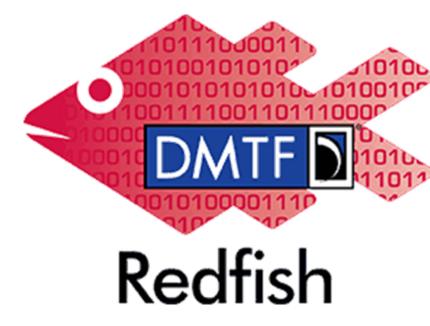
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Delegate \$filter processing when accessing resource Chassis (fast)

Processing unsupported queries instead of BMC Servers, through make multiple additional communications with backends. (Slow)



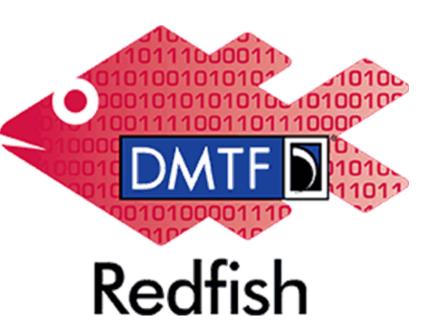


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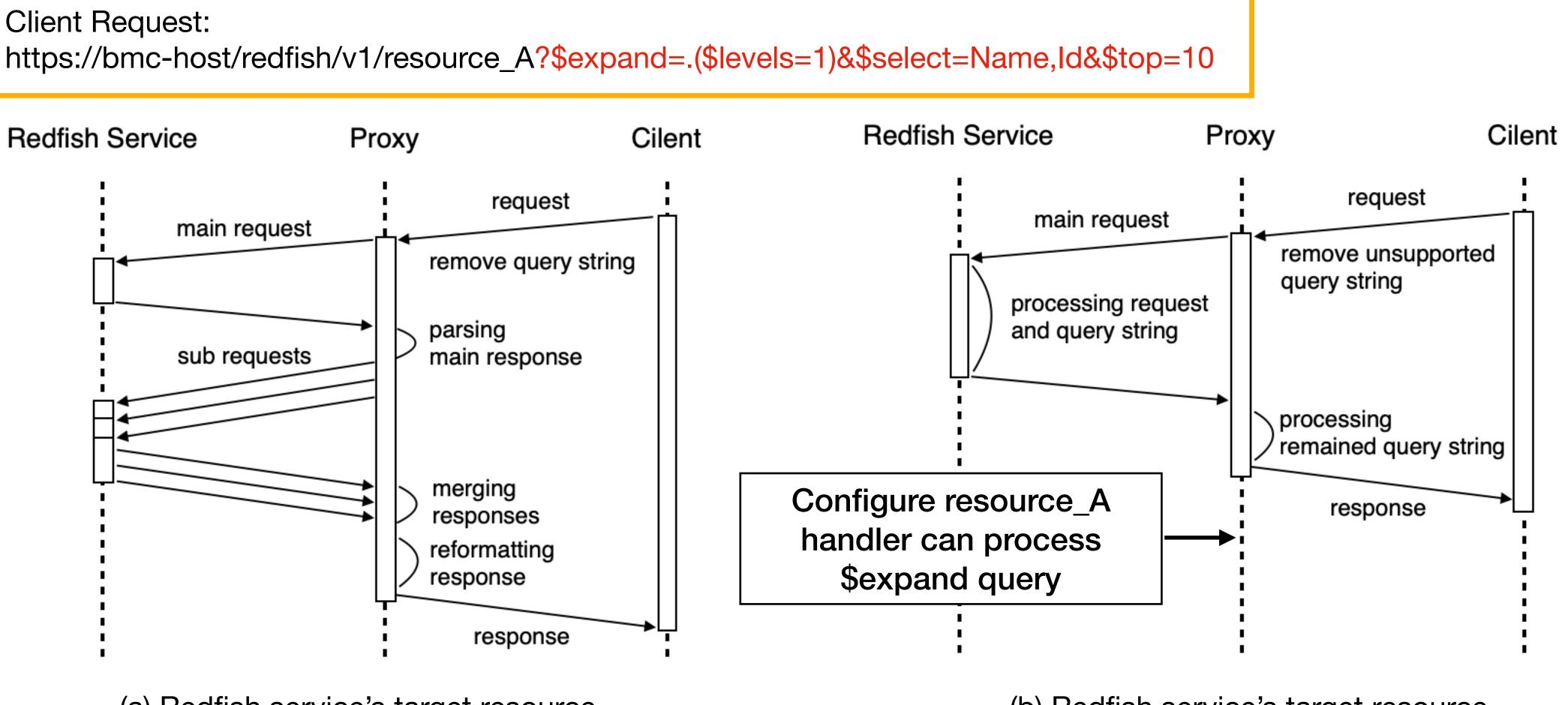
Do similar things to some target resources, with some query features

Difference with RedfishTool

- 1. We target all resources and query features.
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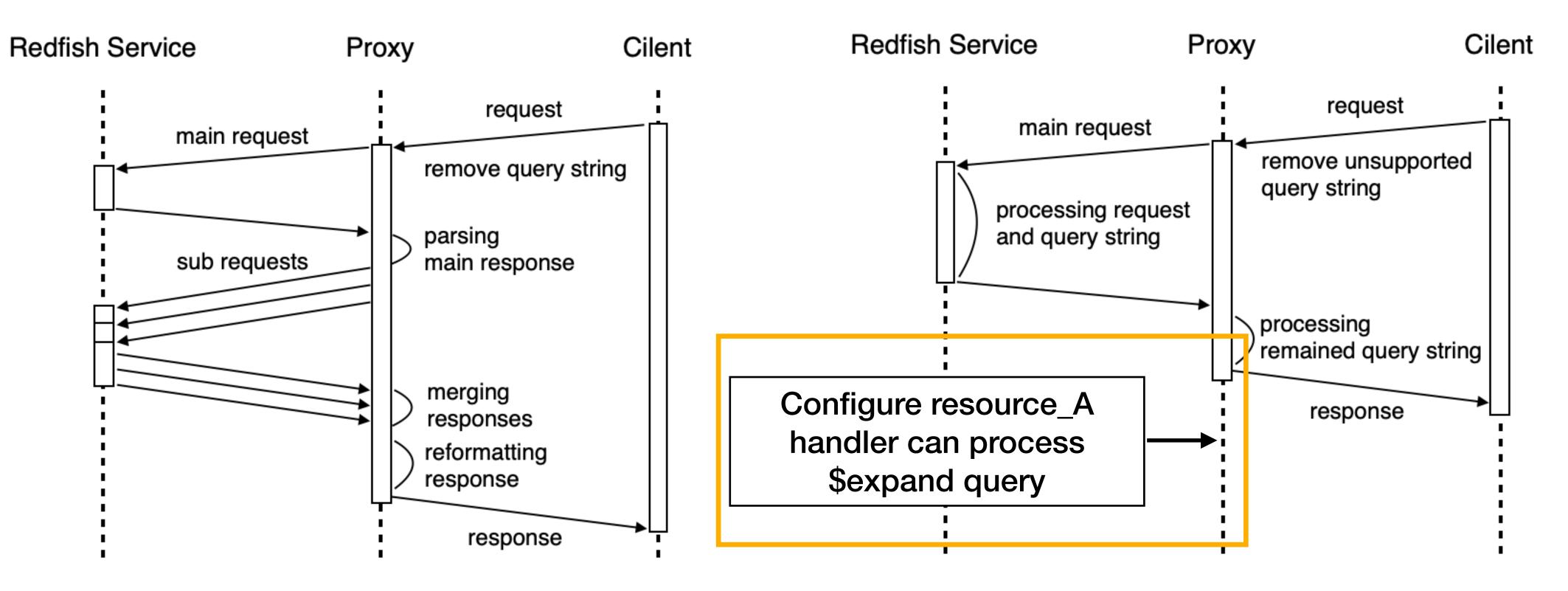
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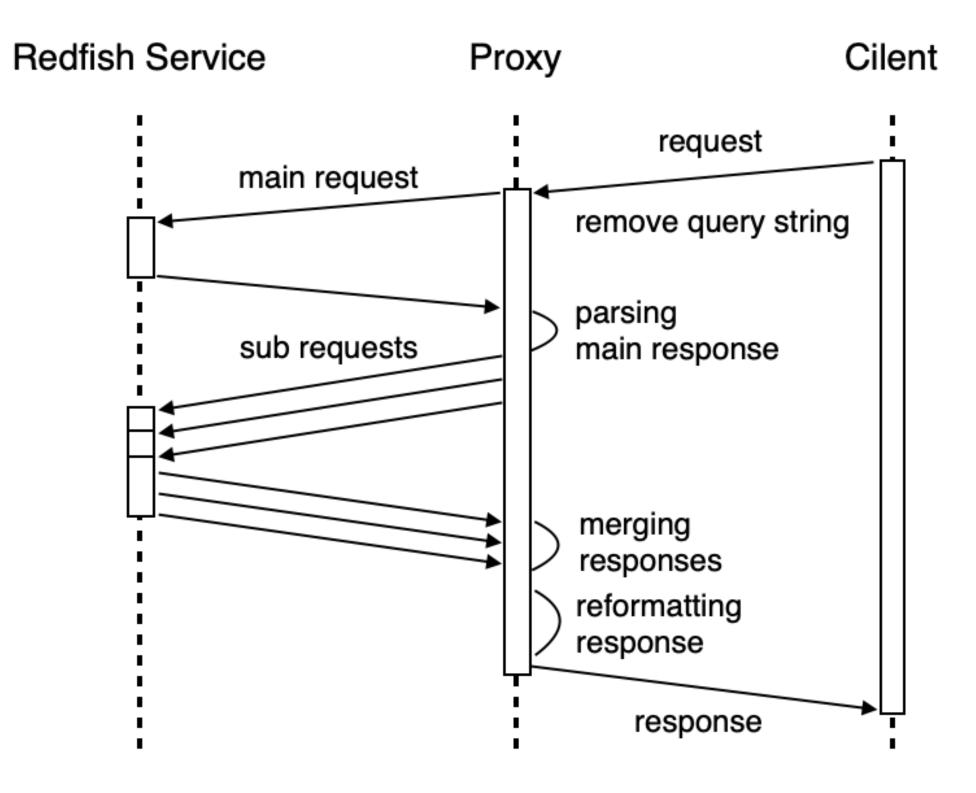
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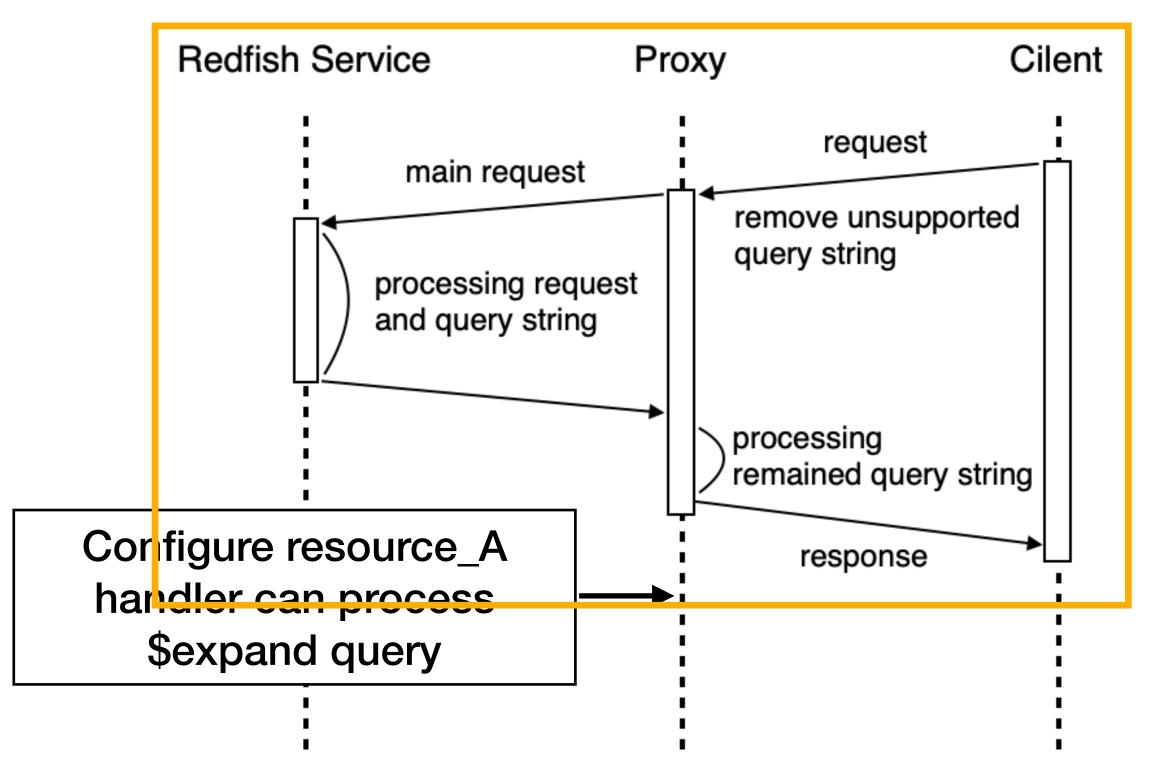
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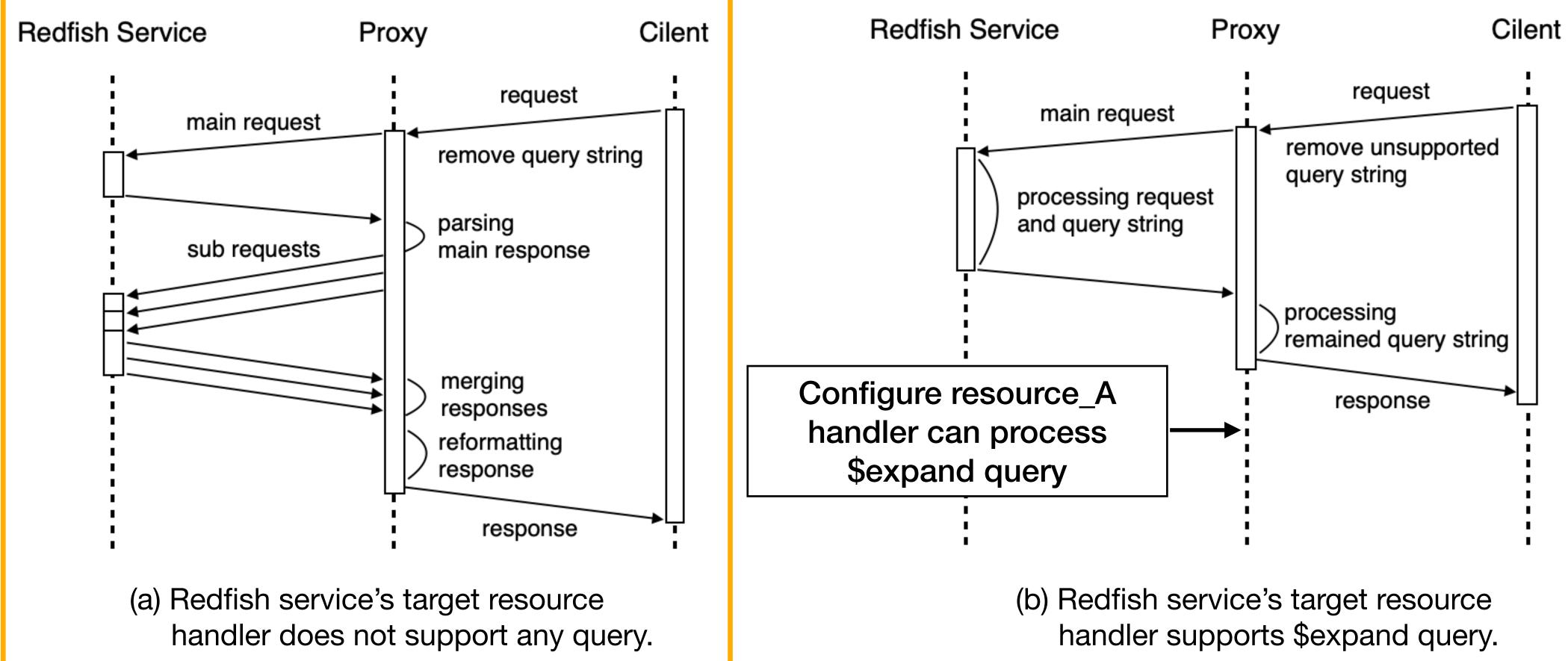
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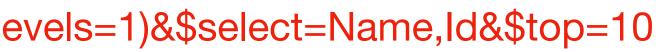


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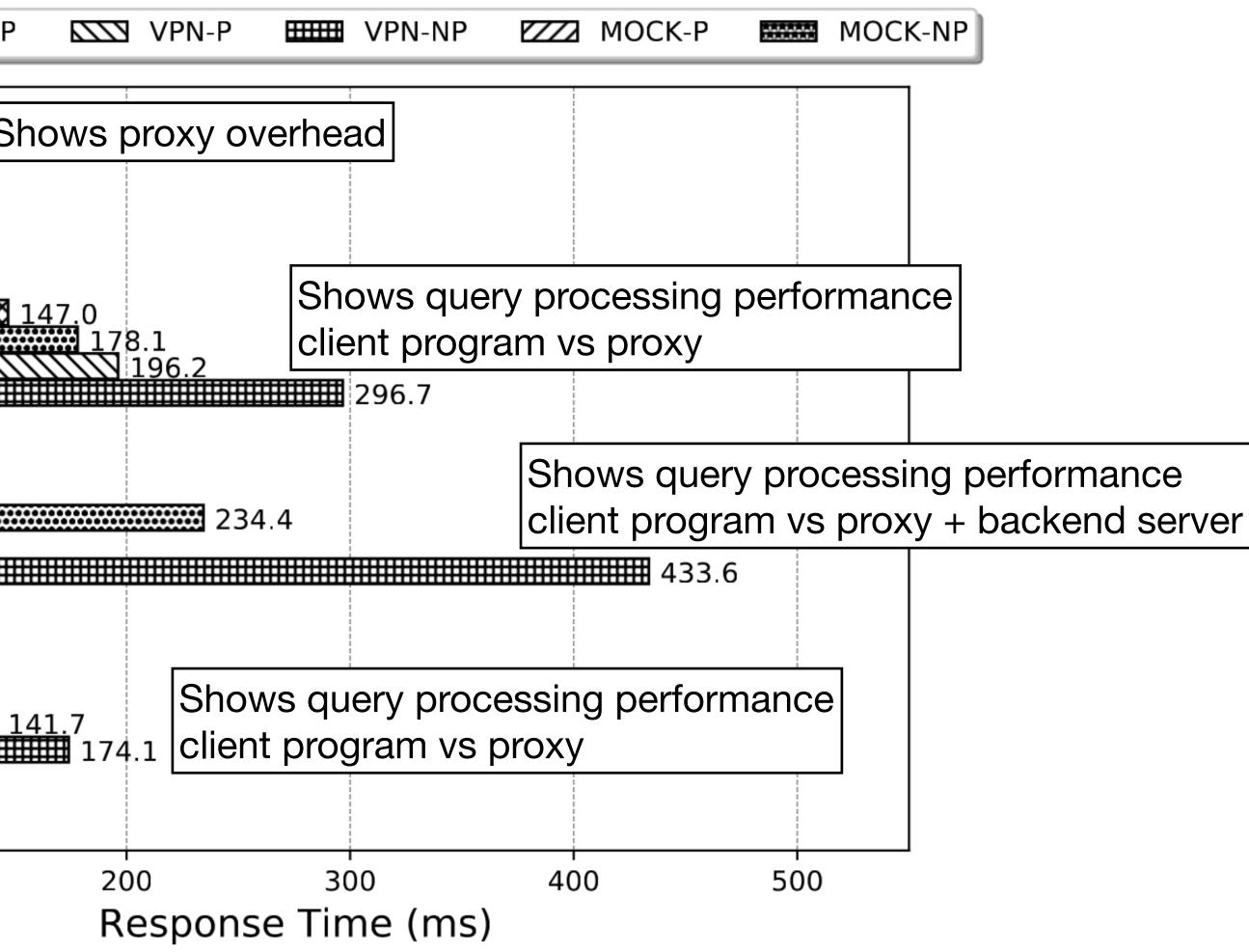
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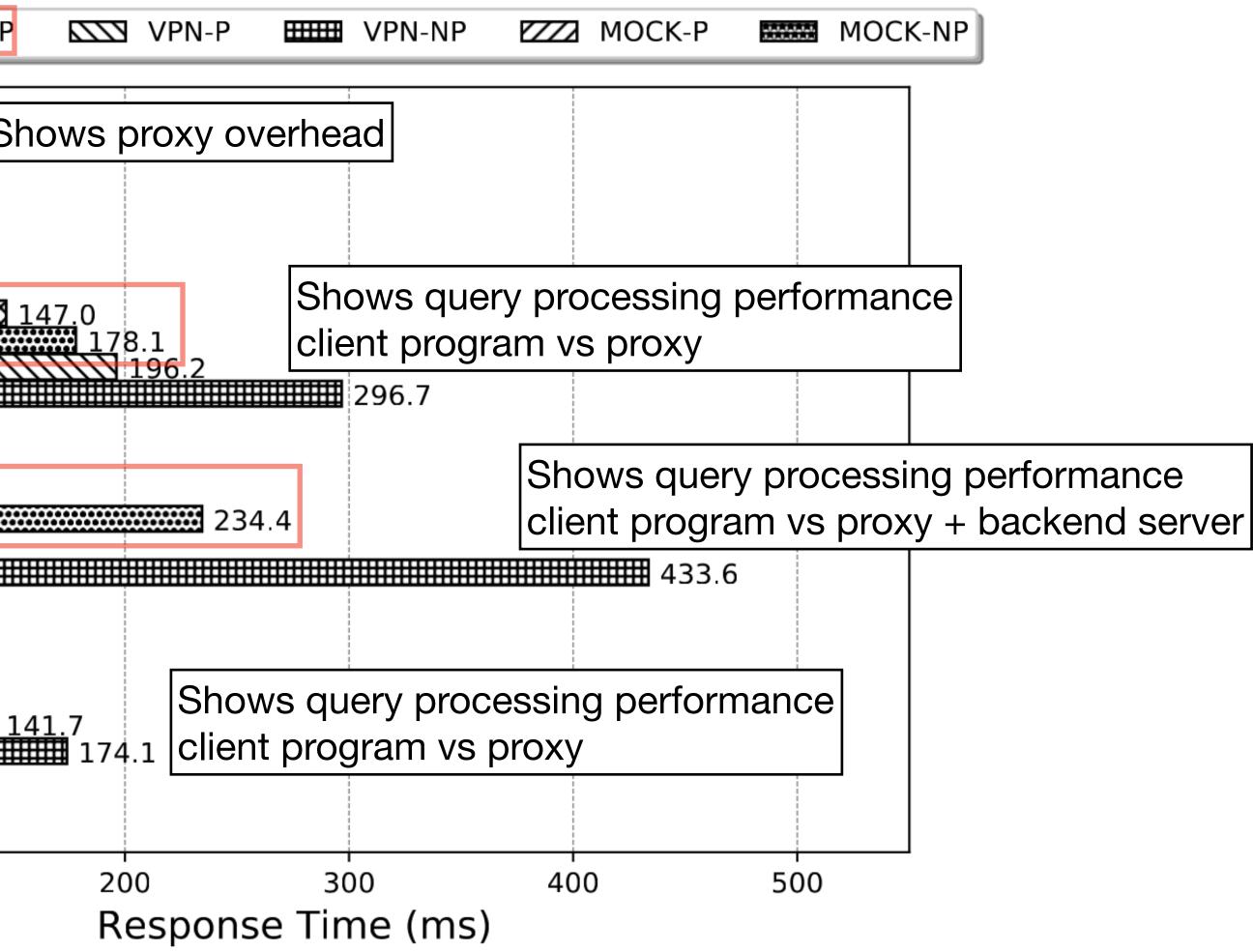


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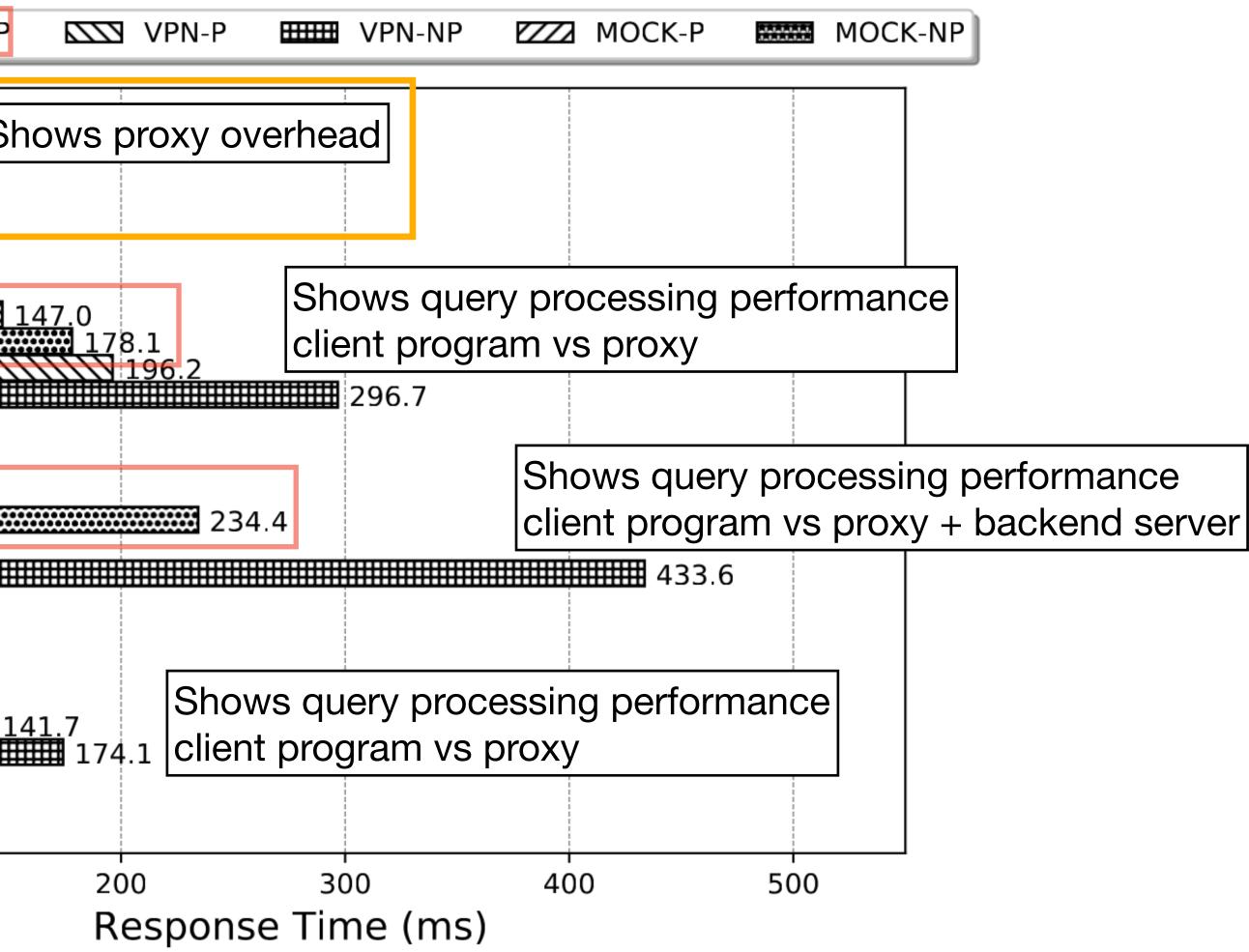


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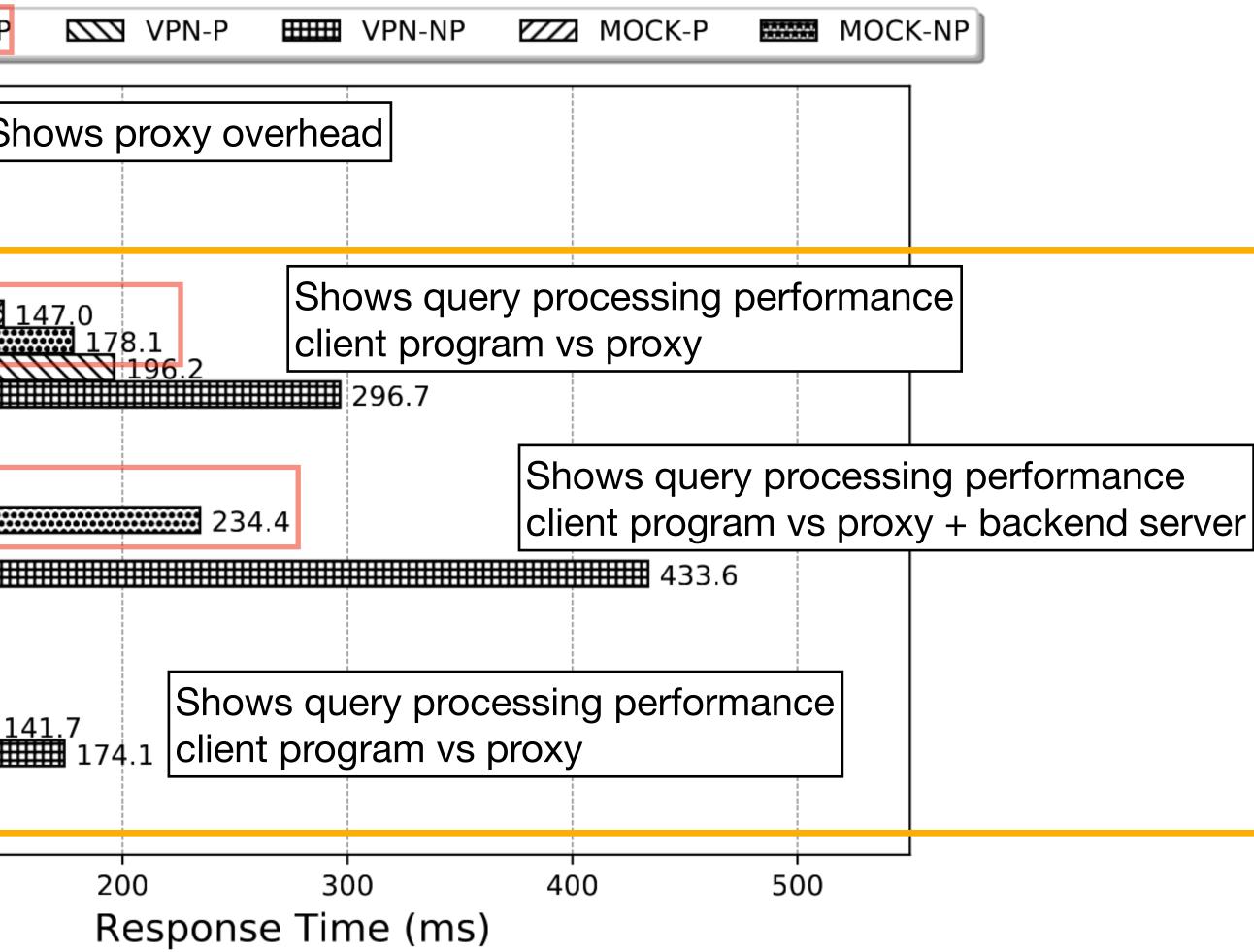


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