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Dynamic Sharing of GPUs and IO in a PCIe Network

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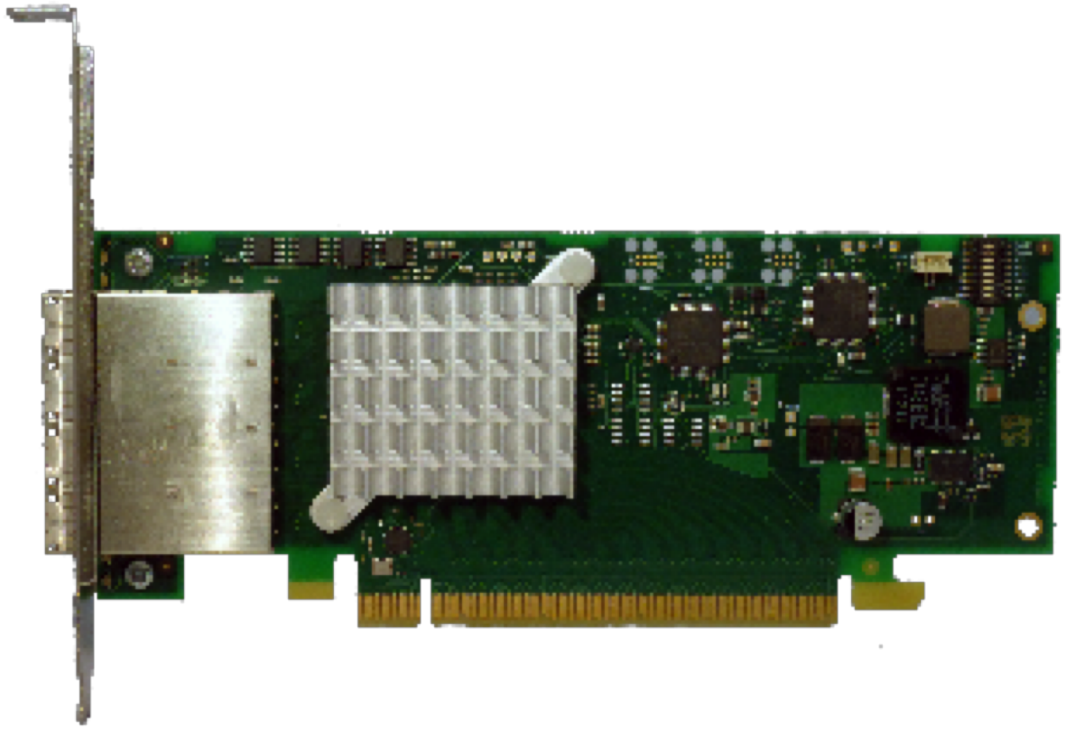

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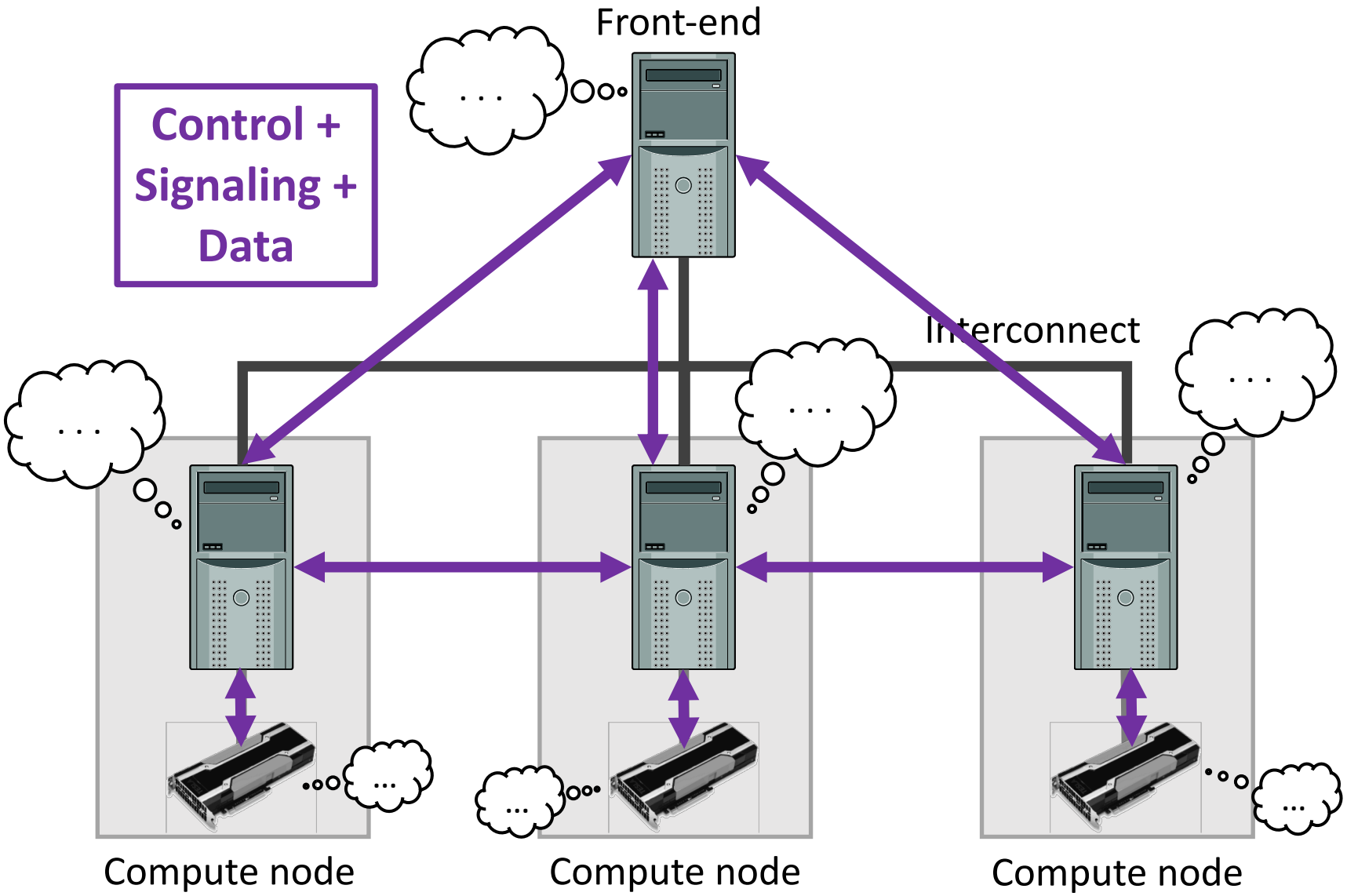
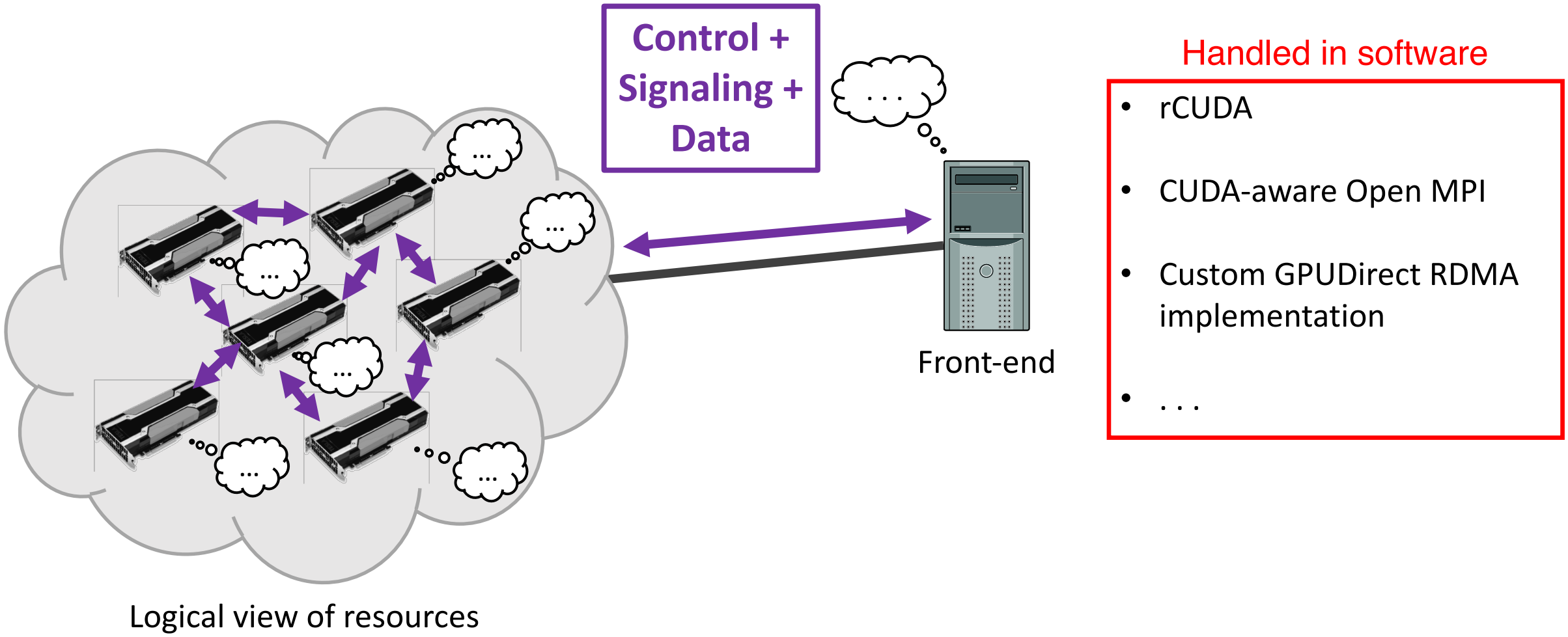
Outline

- Motivation
- PCIe Overview
- Non-Transparent Bridges
- Dolphin SmartIO
  - Example Application
  - NVMe sharing
- SmartIO in Virtual Machines

Distributed applications may need to access and use IO resources that are physically located inside remote hosts



Software abstractions simplify the use and allocation of resources in a cluster and facilitate development of distributed applications



Local resource

Remote resource using **middleware**

Local

Application

CUDA library + driver

PCIe IO bus

Application

CUDA – middleware integration

Middleware service

Interconnect transport (RDMA)

Interconnect

Remote

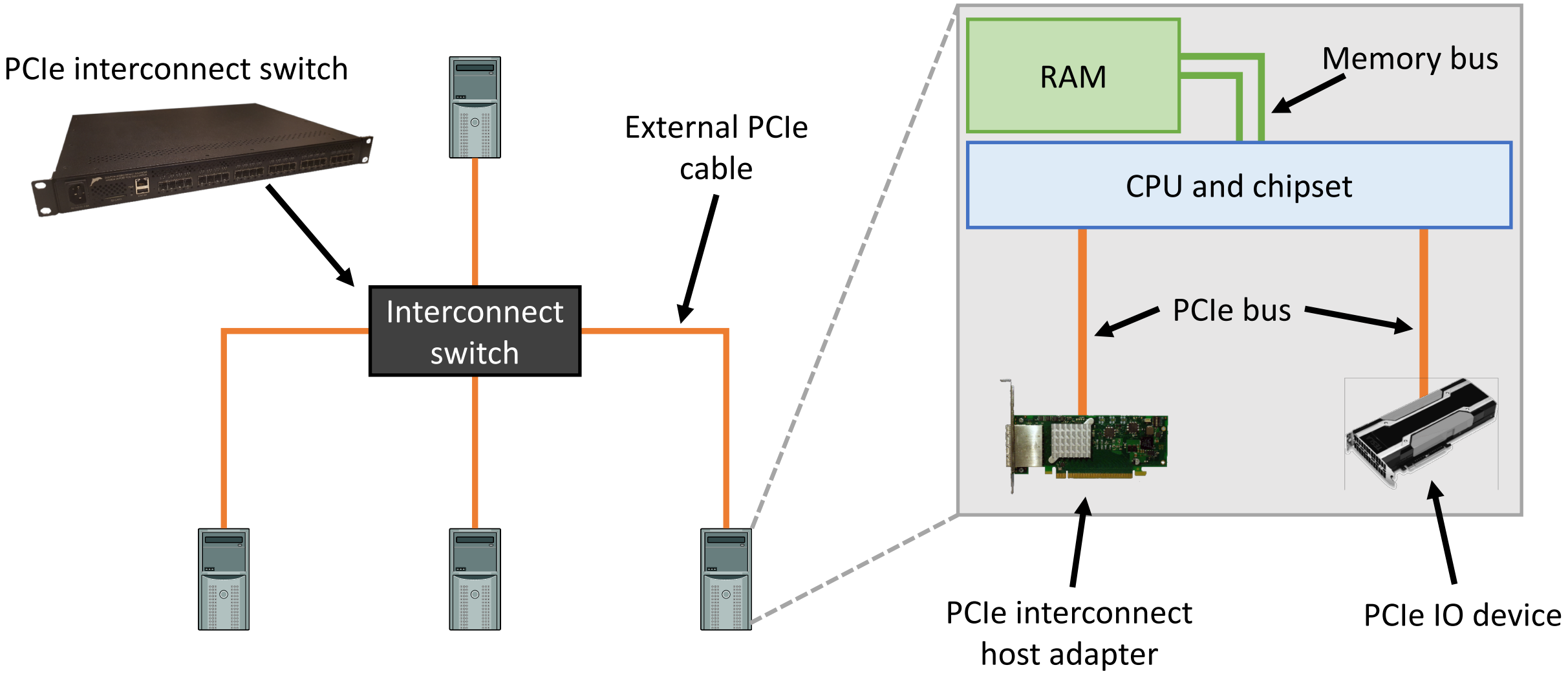
Interconnect transport (RDMA)

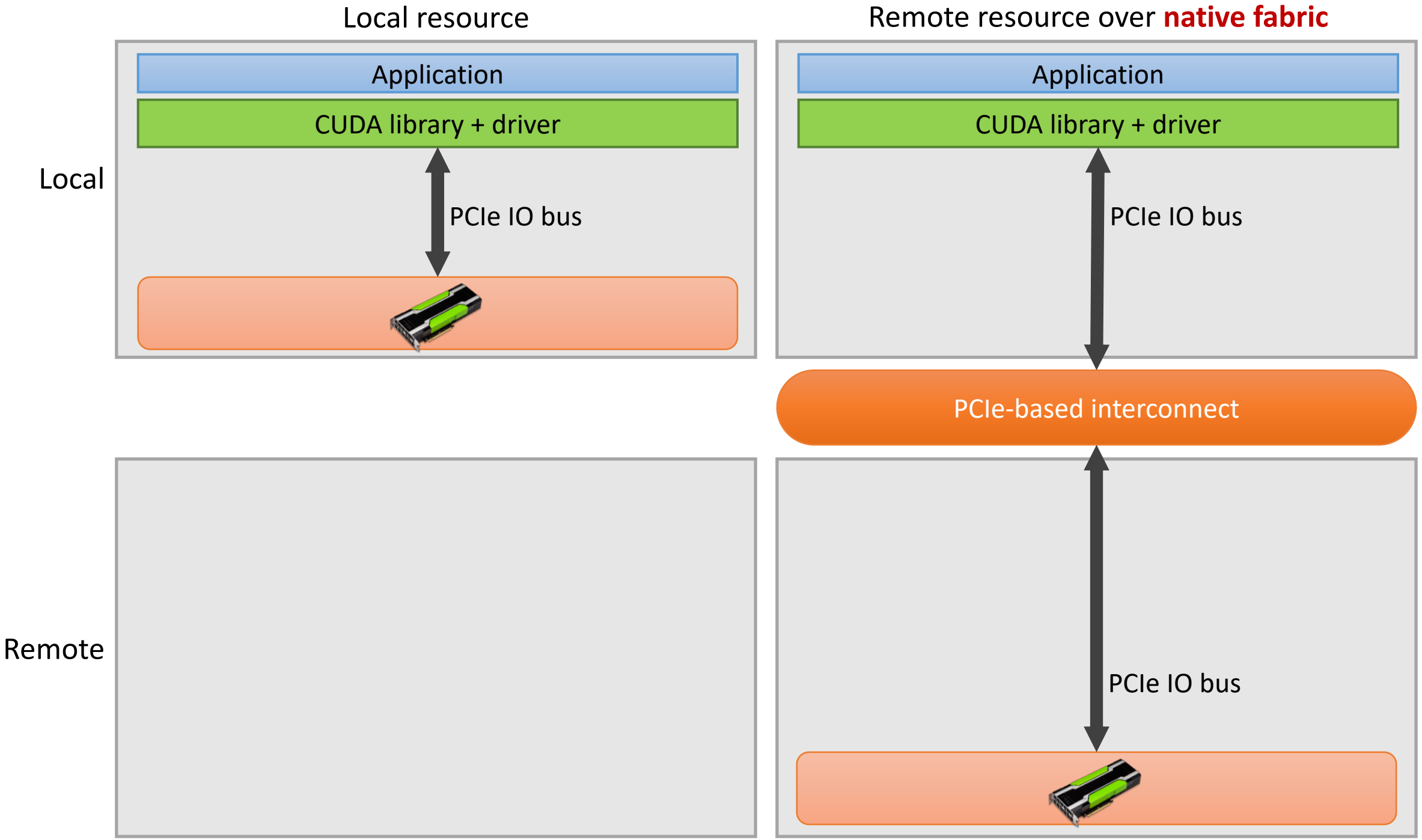
Middleware service/daemon

CUDA driver

PCIe IO bus

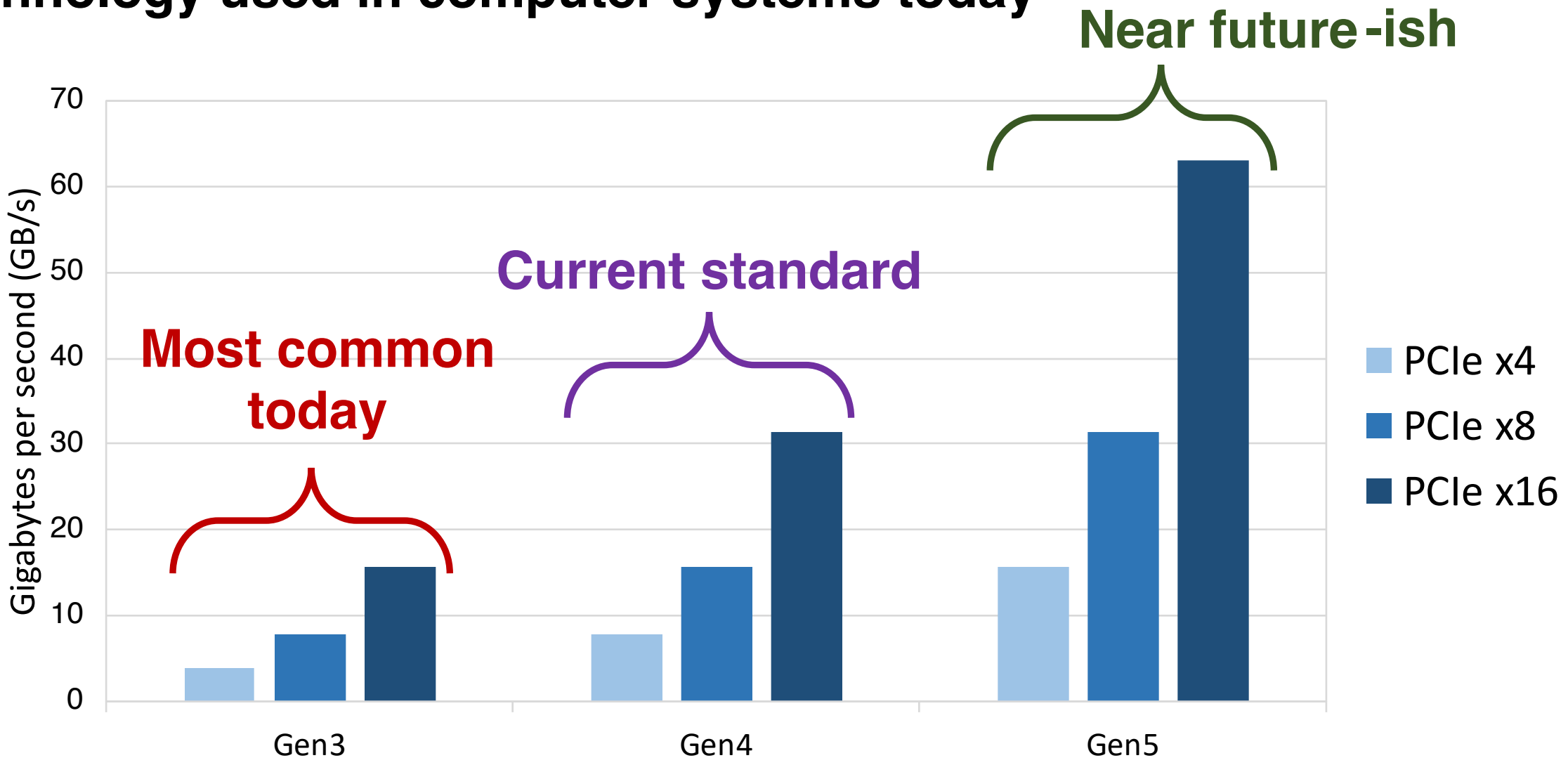
In PCIe clusters, the same fabric is used both as local IO bus within a single node and as the interconnect between separate nodes




Local resource
Remote resource over native fabric
Local
Application
CUDA library + driver
PCIe IO bus
Application
CUDA library + driver
PCIe IO bus
PCIe-based interconnect
Remote
PCIe IO bus

PCIe Overview

PCI Express (PCIe) is the most widely adopted I/O interconnection technology used in computer systems today



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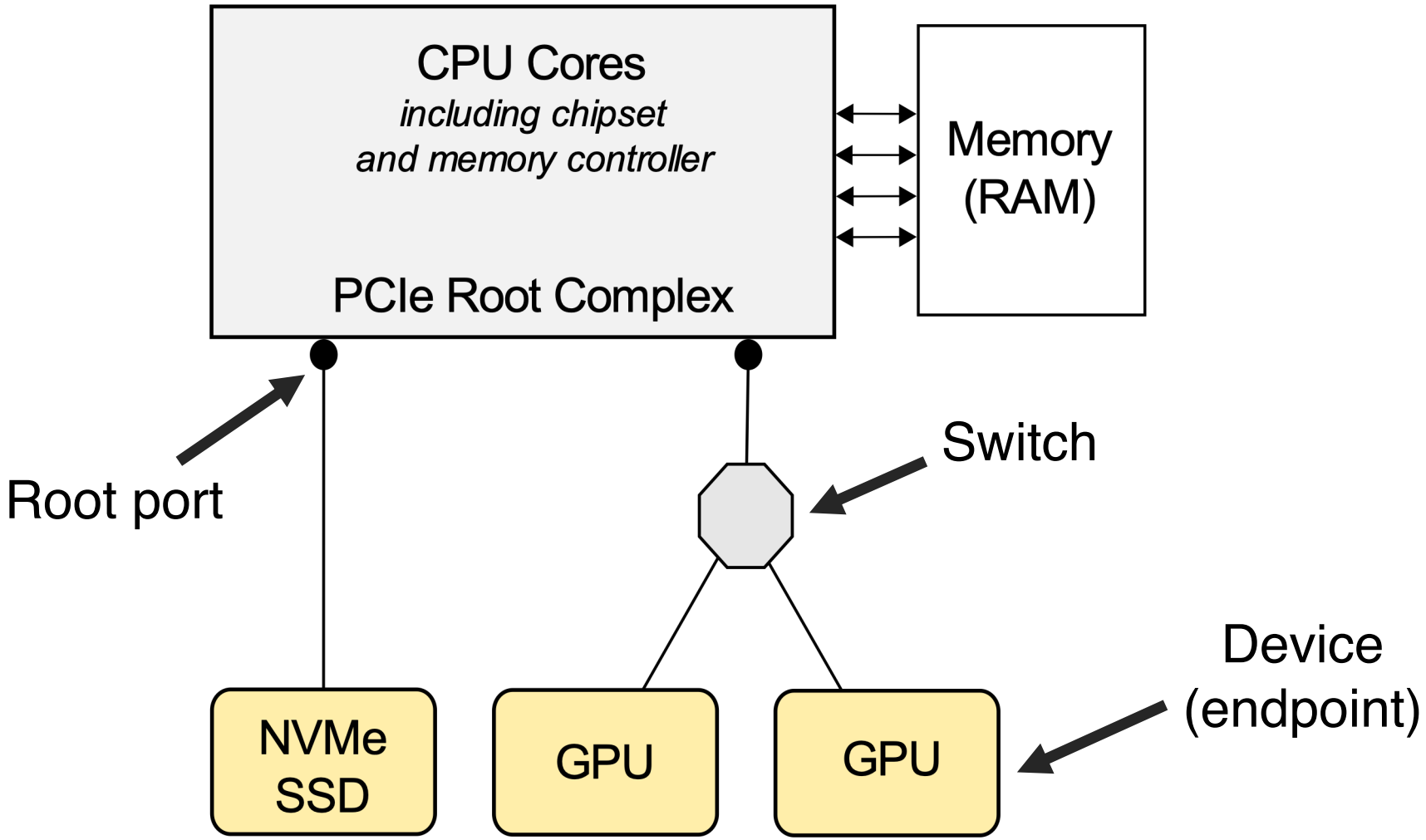

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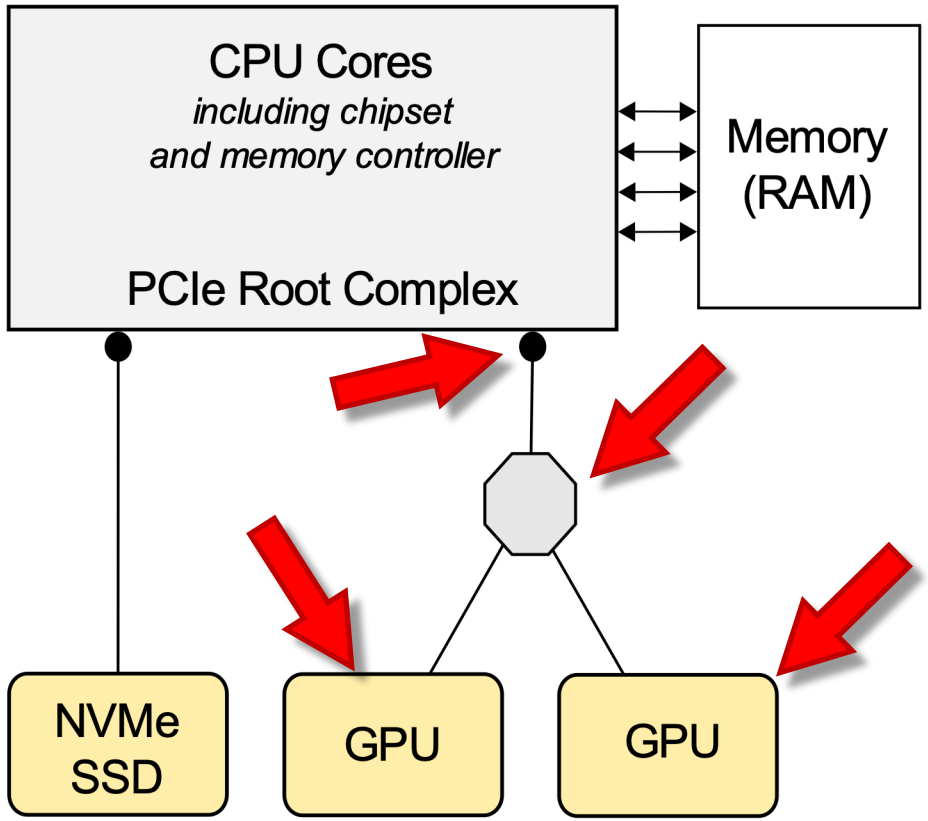

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|           +-1f.0  Intel Corporation Xeon E7 v4/Xeon E5 v4/Xeon E3 v4/Xeon D Power Control Unit
|           \-1f.2  Intel Corporation Xeon E7 v4/Xeon E5 v4/Xeon E3 v4/Xeon D Power Control Unit
\-[0000:00]-+-00.0  Intel Corporation Xeon E7 v4/Xeon E5 v4/Xeon E3 v4/Xeon D DMI2
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            |            +-00.1  Intel Corporation Xeon Processor D Family QuickData Technology Register DMA Channel 1
            |            +-00.2  Intel Corporation Xeon Processor D Family QuickData Technology Register DMA Channel 2
            |            \-00.3  Intel Corporation Xeon Processor D Family QuickData Technology Register DMA Channel 3
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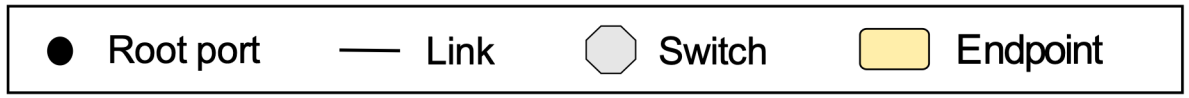
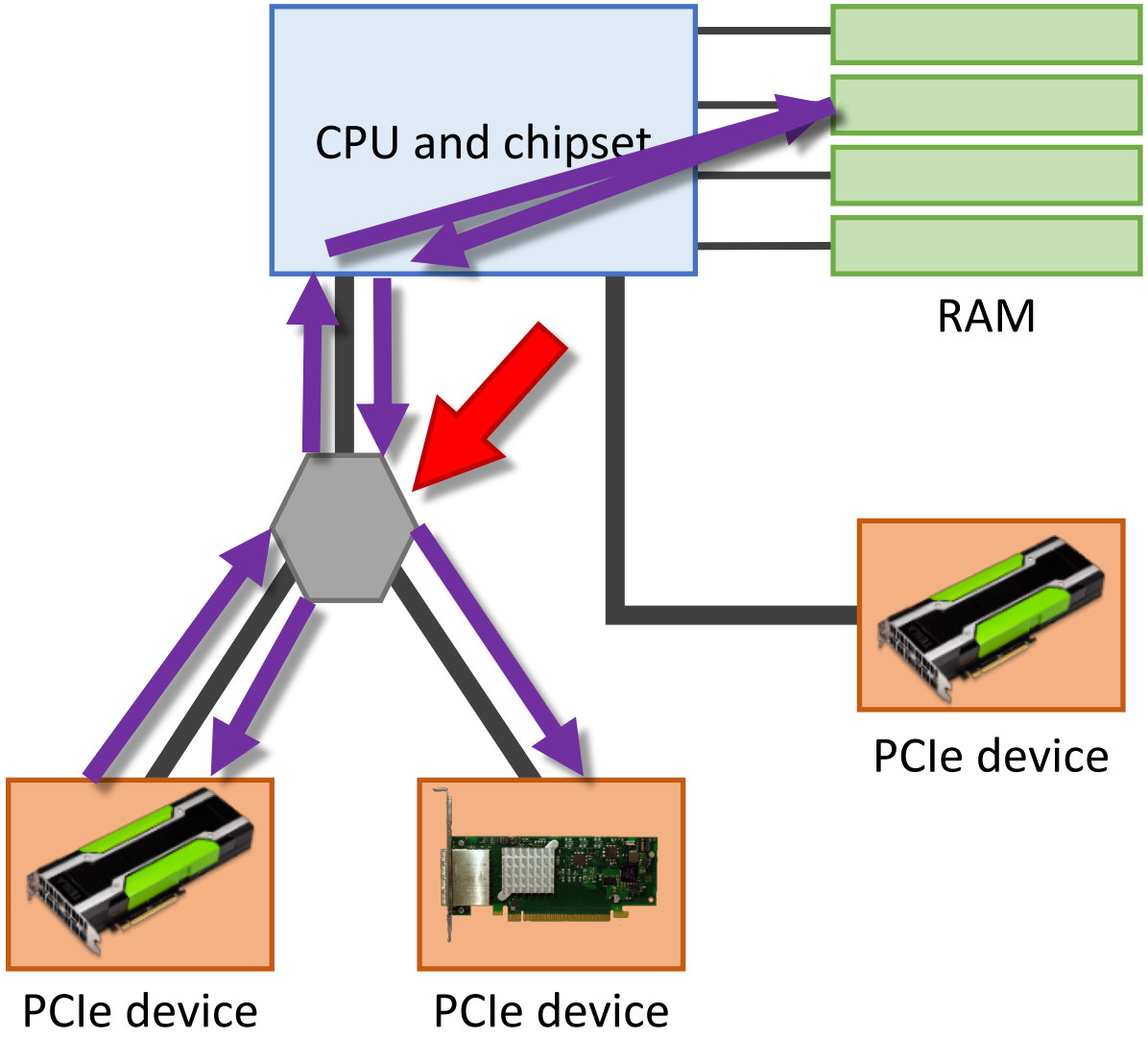
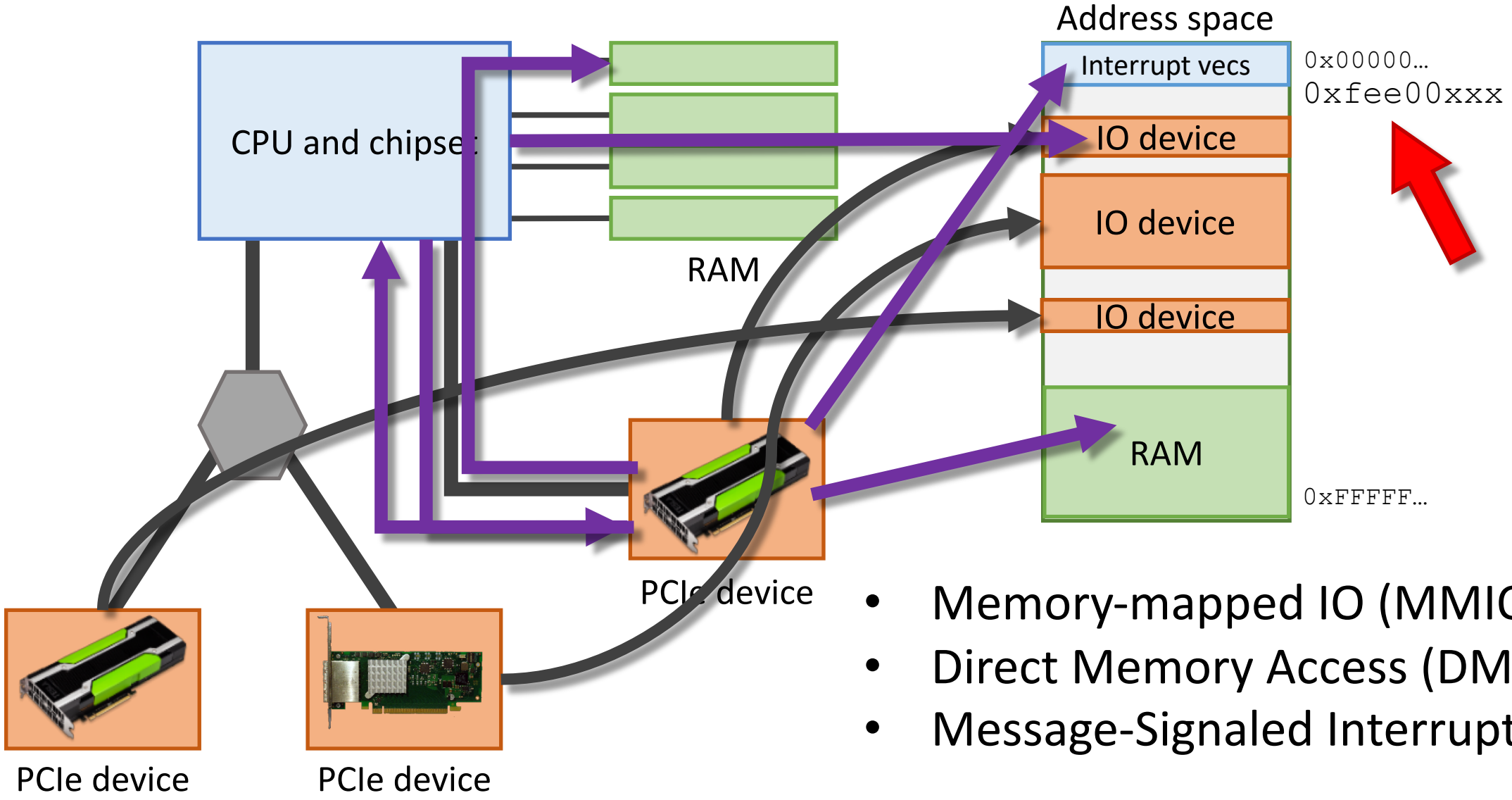


Memory reads and writes are handled by PCIe as transactions that are packet-switched through the fabric depending on the address



- Upstream
- Downstream
- Peer-to-peer (shortest path)

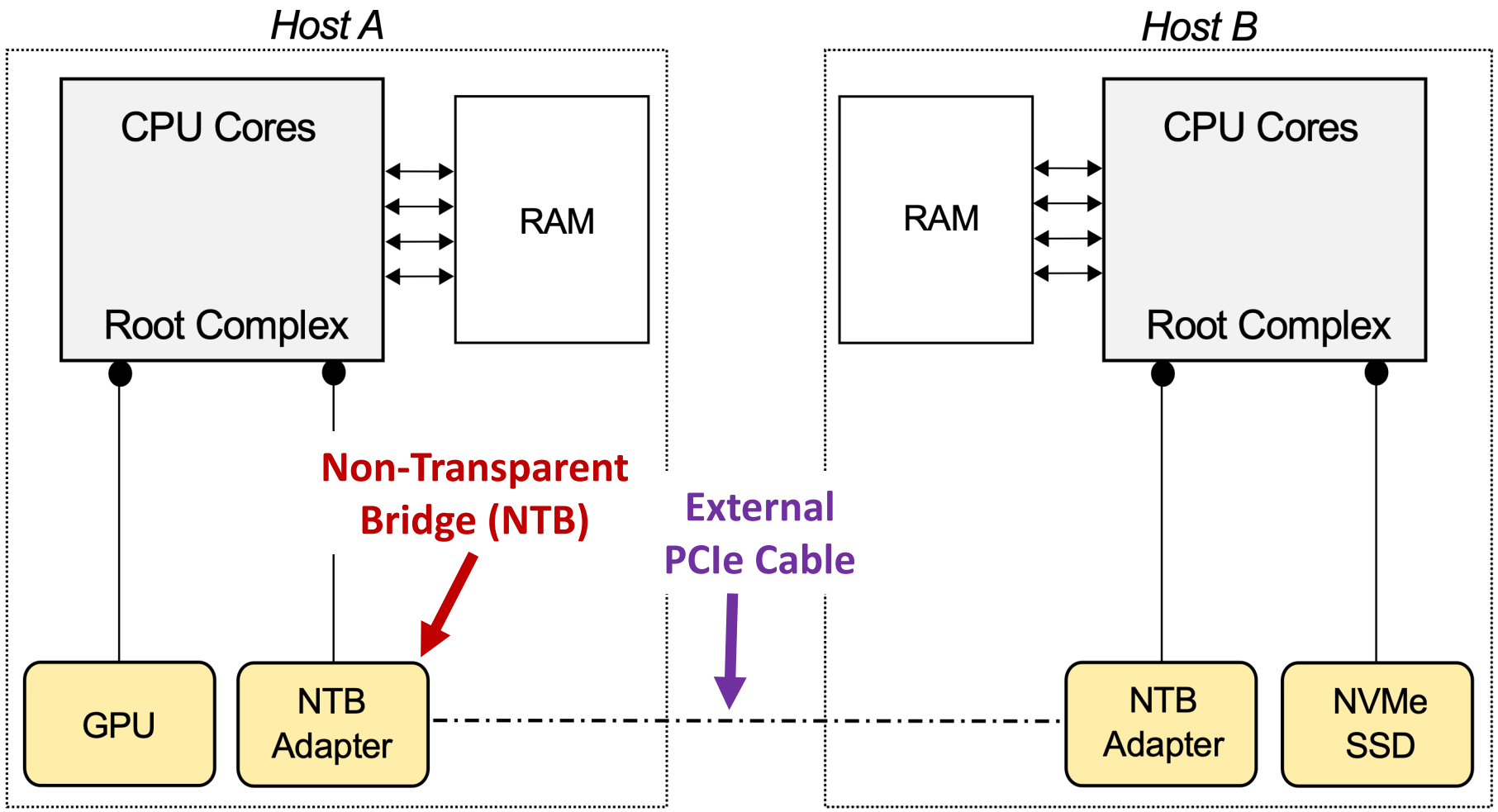
IO devices and the CPU share the same physical address space, allowing devices to access system memory and other devices



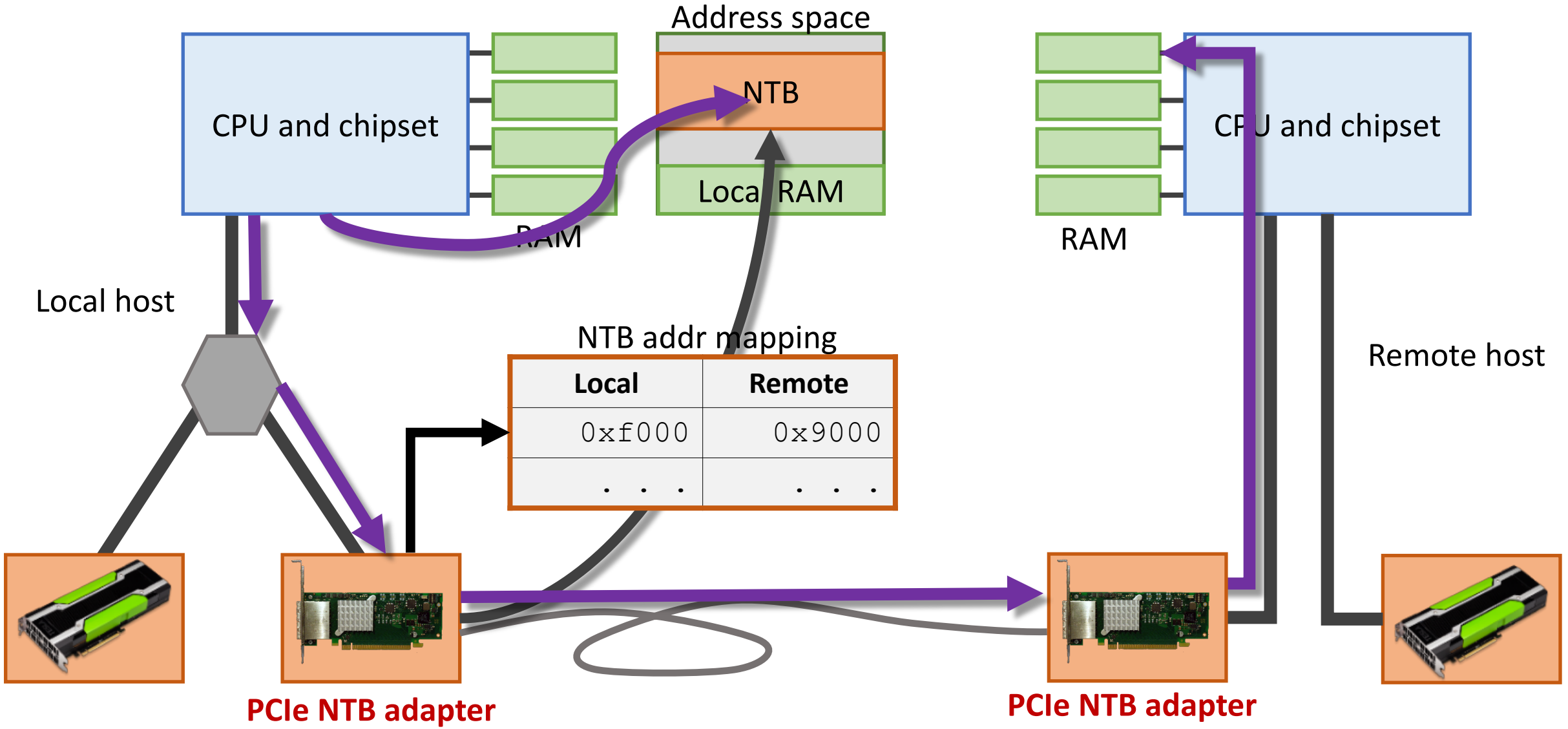
- Memory-mapped IO (MMIO / PIO)
- Direct Memory Access (DMA)
- Message-Signaled Interrupts (MSI-X)

Non-Transparent Bridges

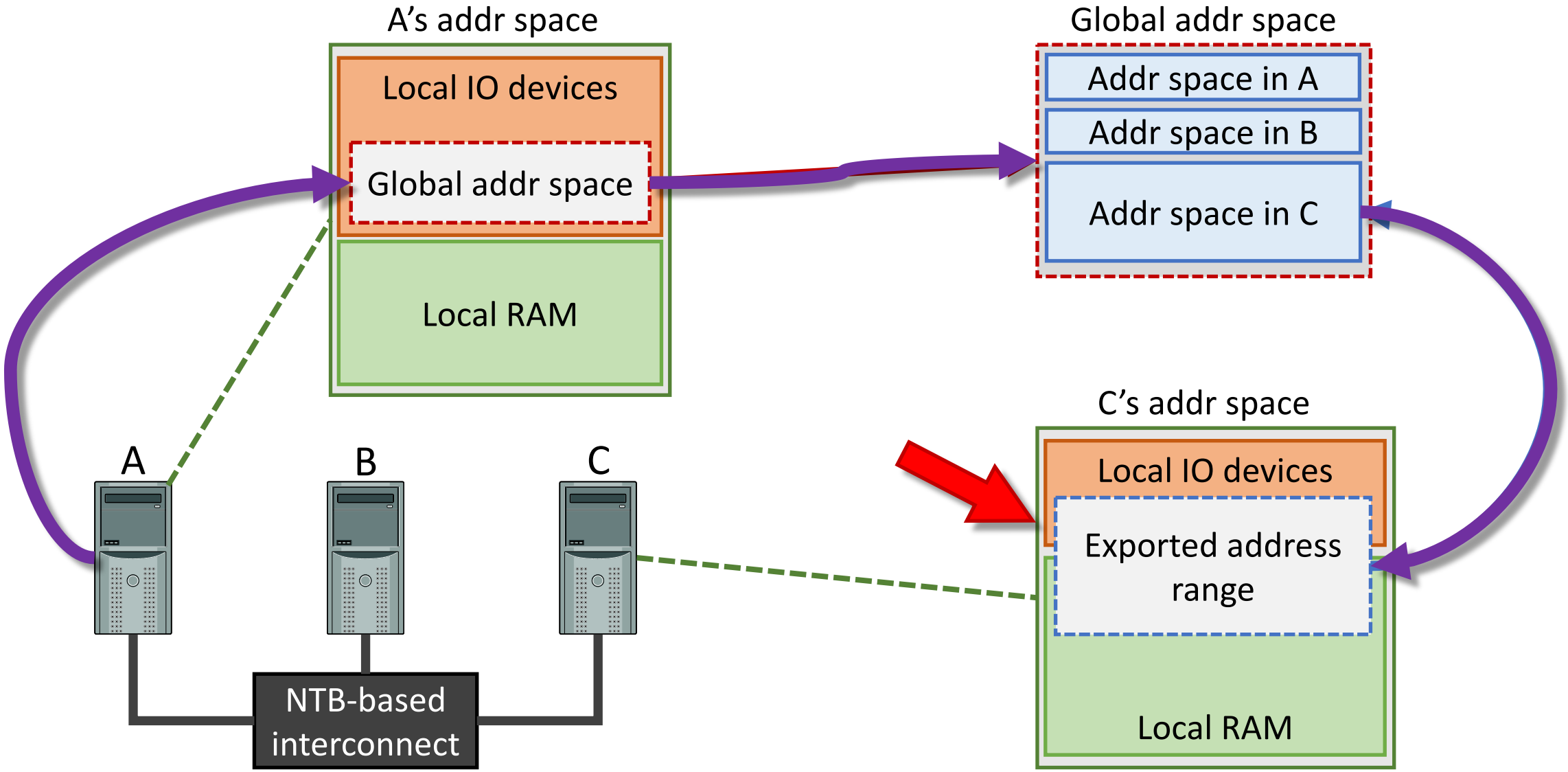
We can interconnect separate PCIe root complexes and translate addresses between them using a non-transparent bridge (NTB)



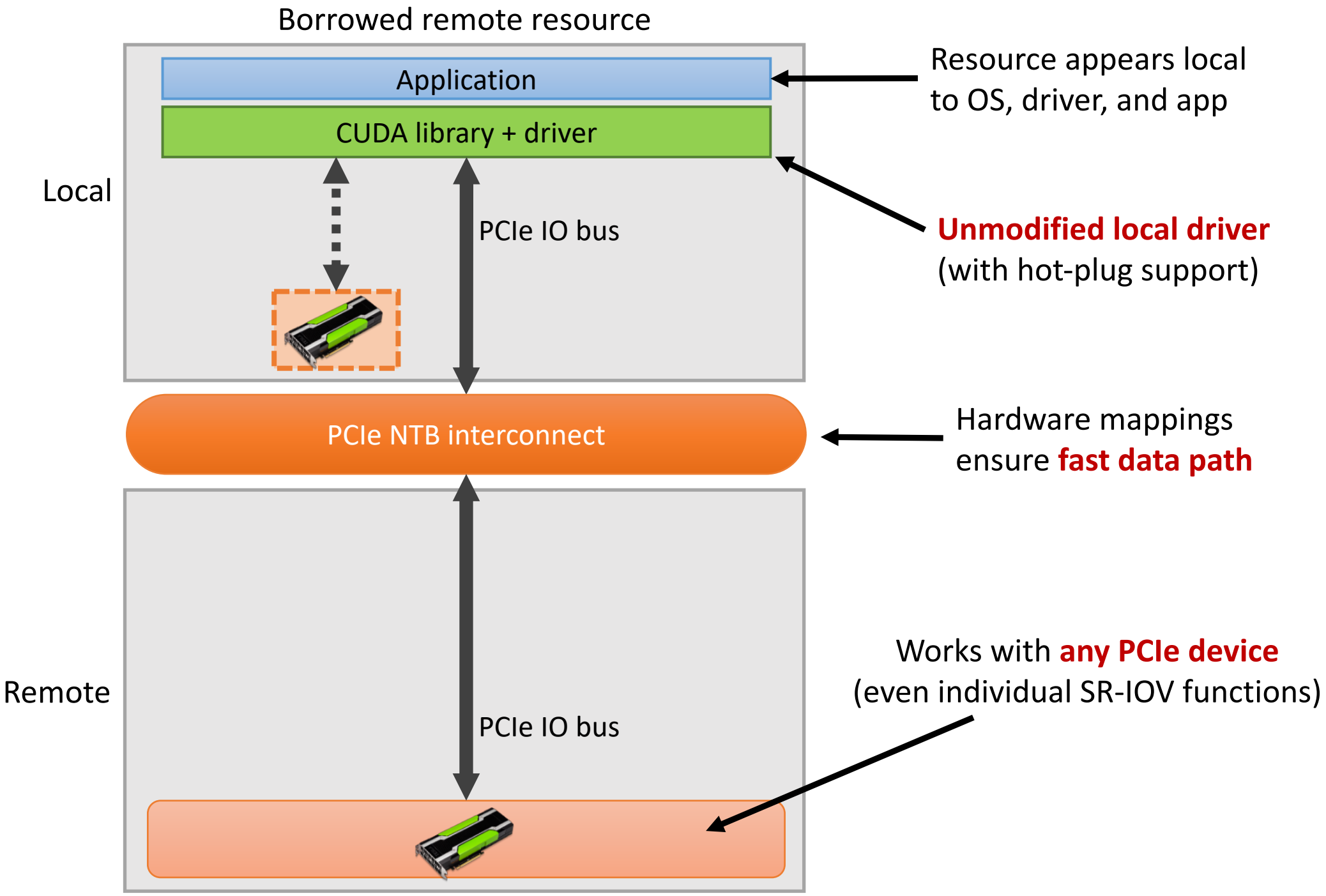
Remote address space can be mapped into local address space by using PCIe Non-Transparent Bridges (NTBs)

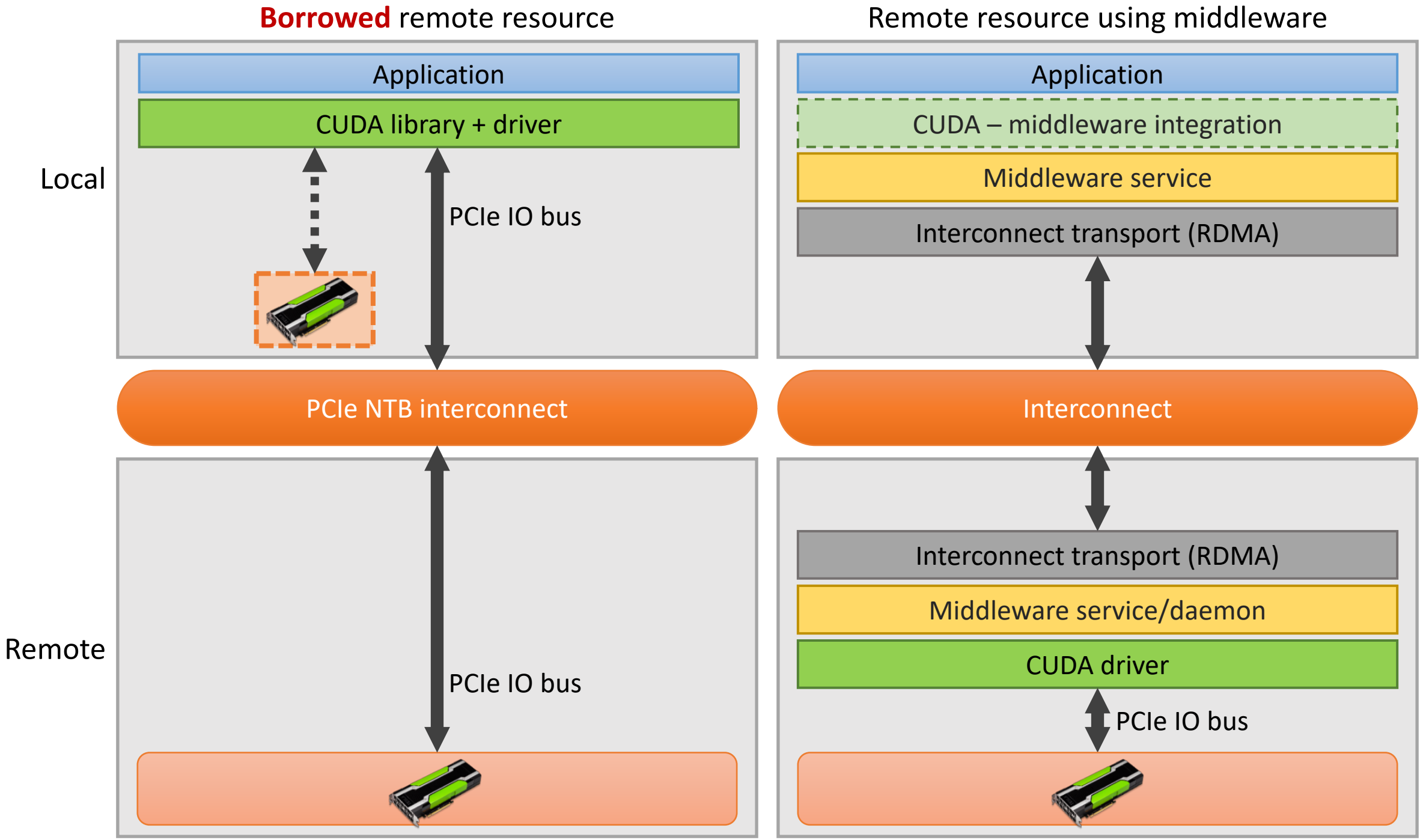


Using NTBs, each node in the cluster take part in a shared address space and have their own “window” into the global address space



SmartIO


Borrowed remote resource
Application
CUDA library + driver
Local
PCIe IO bus
Resource appears local
to OS, driver, and app
Unmodified local driver
(with hot-plug support)
PCIe NTB interconnect
Hardware mappings
ensure fast data path
Remote
PCIe IO bus
Works with any PCIe device
(even individual SR-IOV functions)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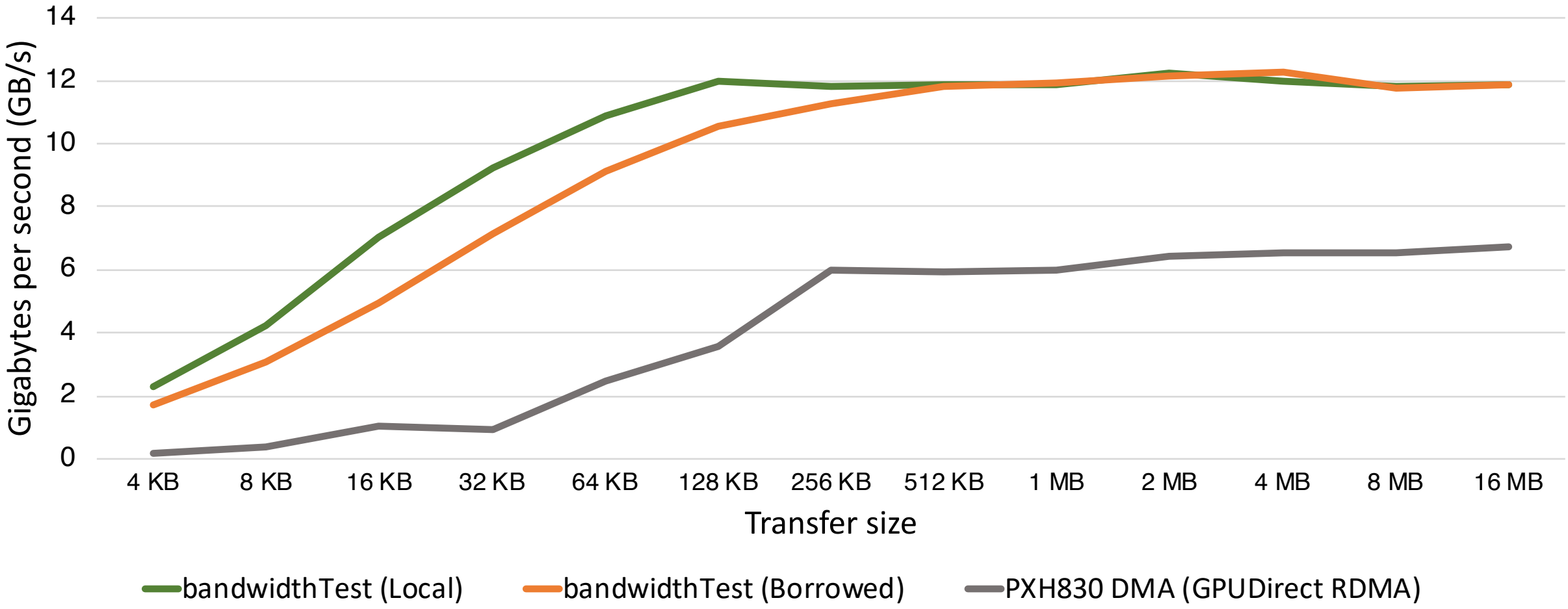
Device to host transfers: Comparing local to borrowed GPU



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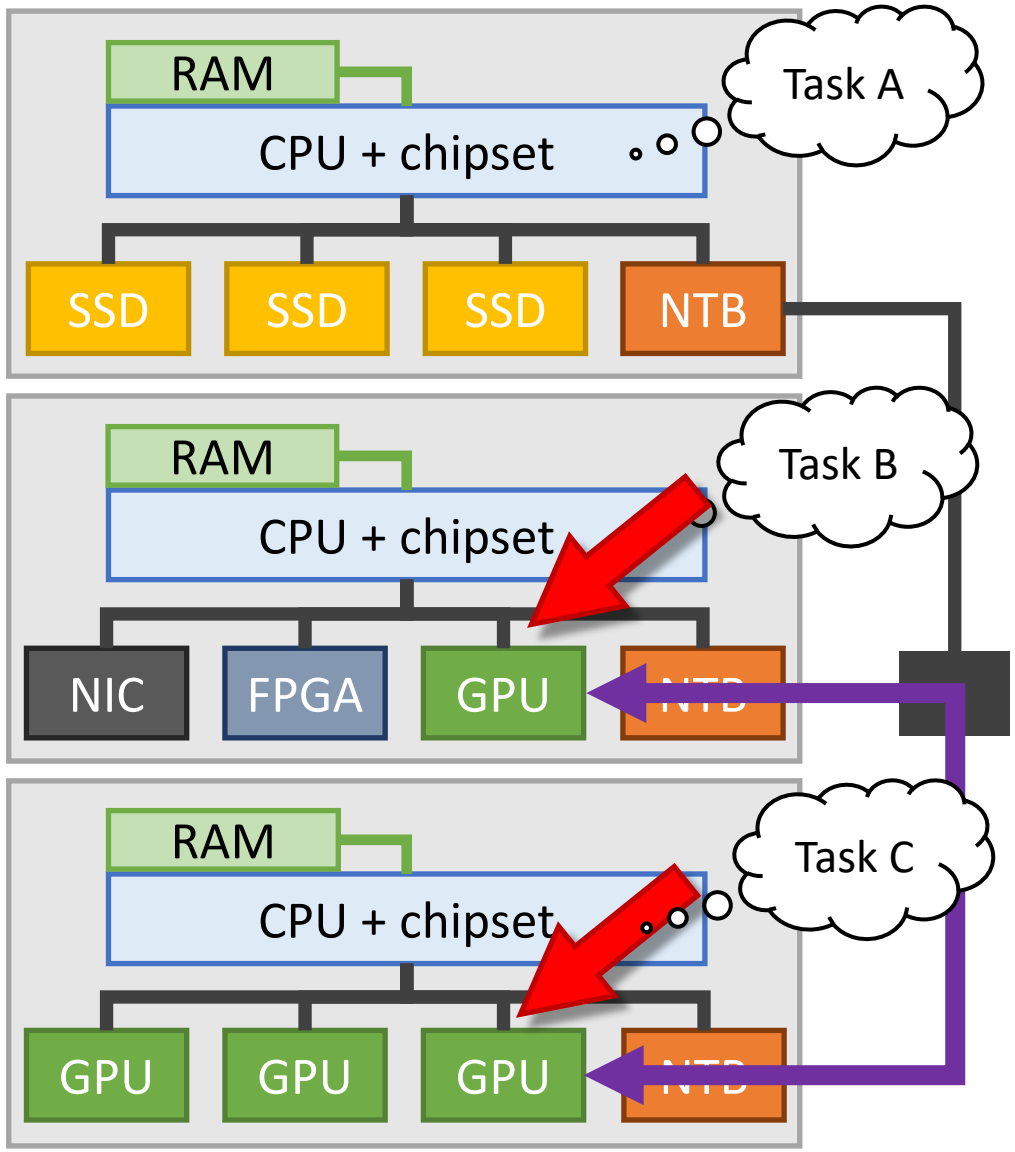
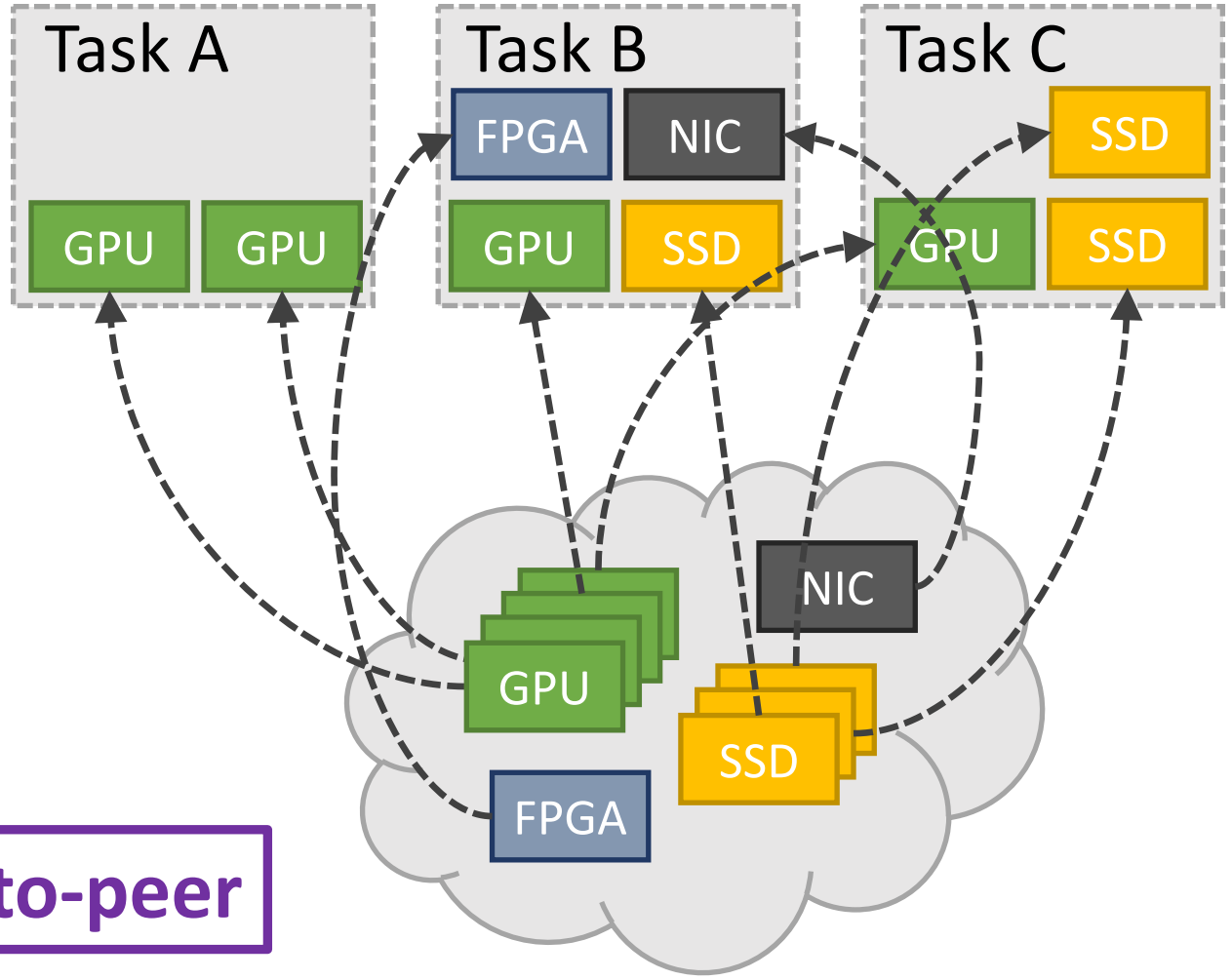


Peer-to-peer



Device pool

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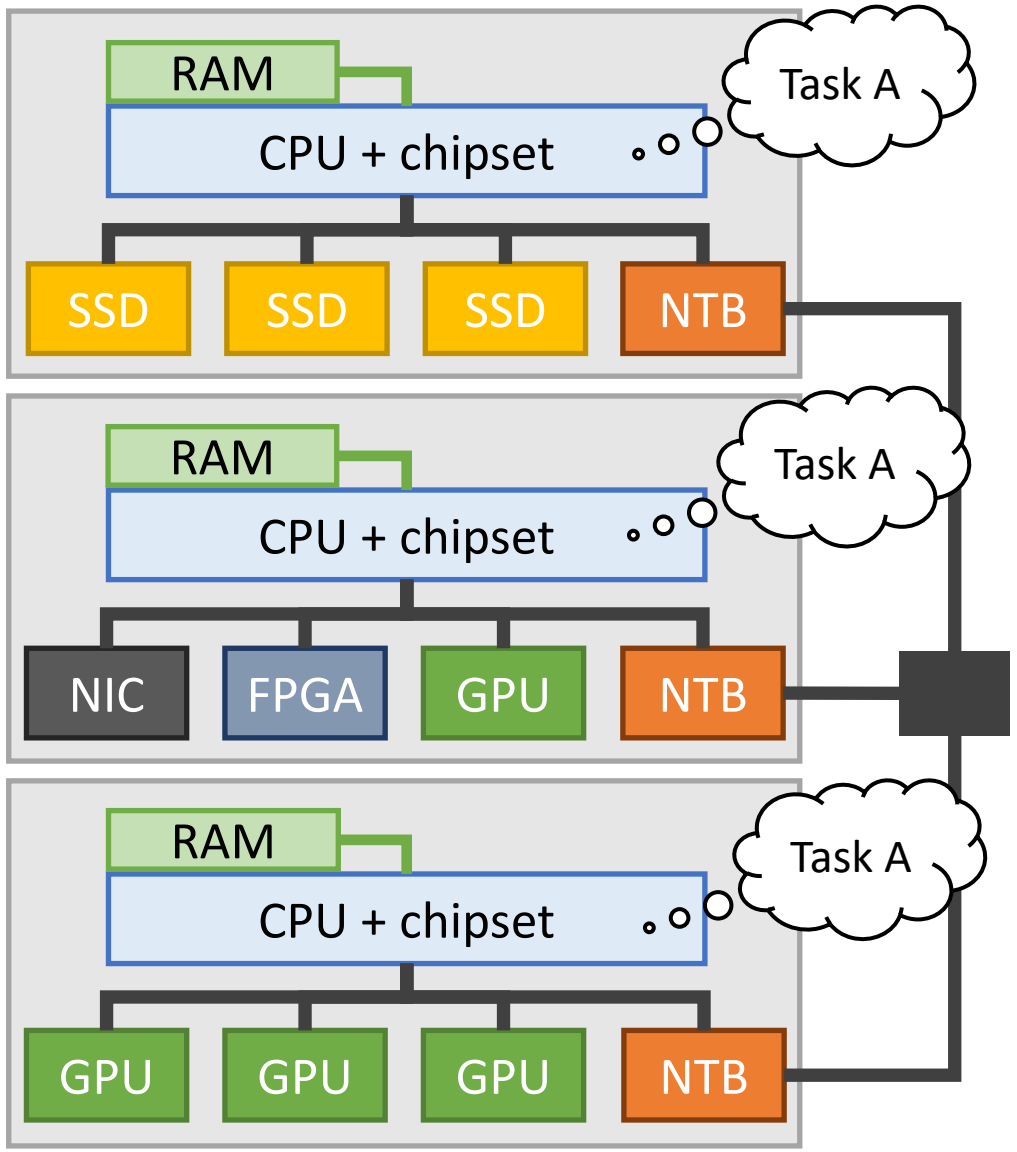
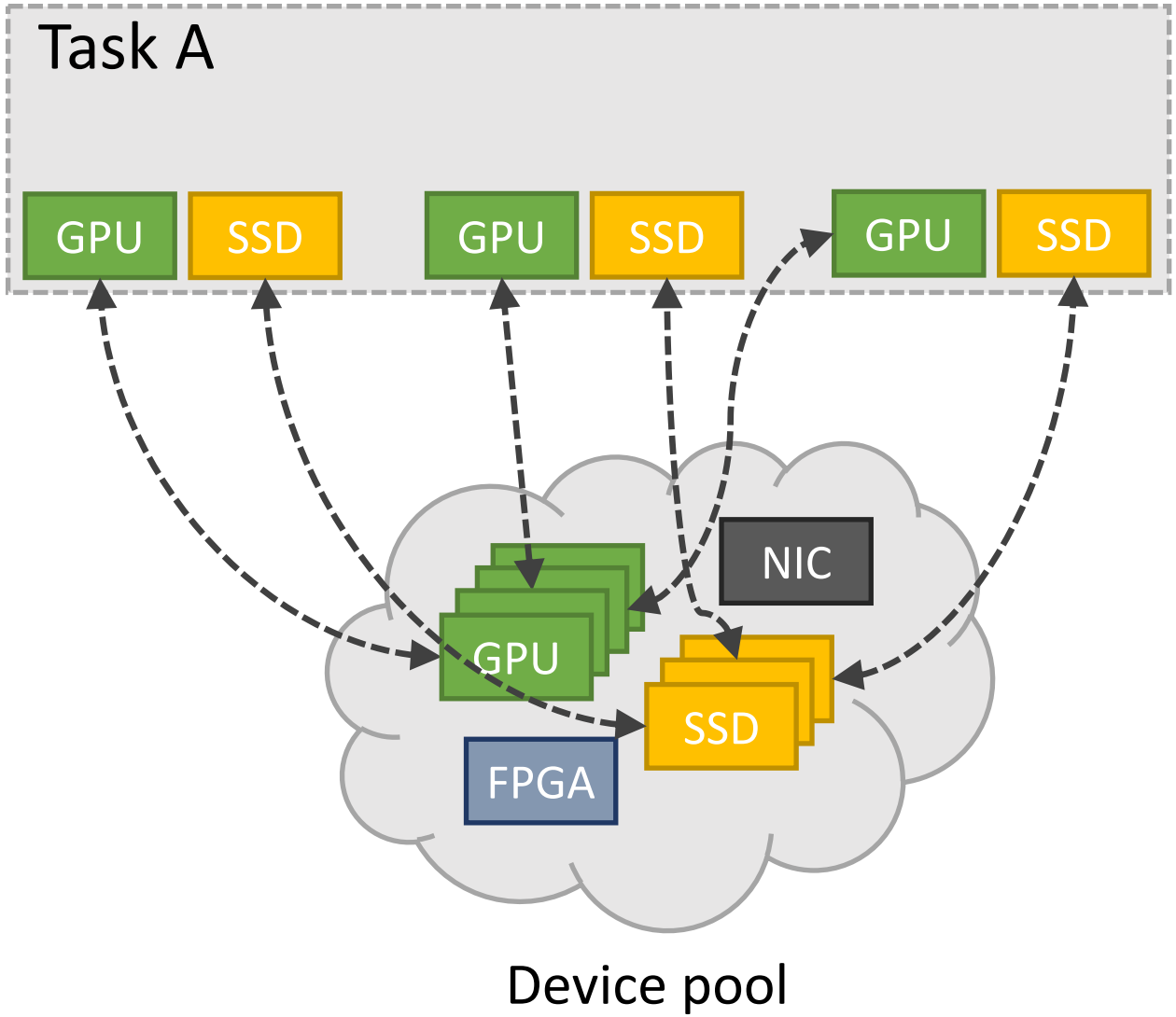


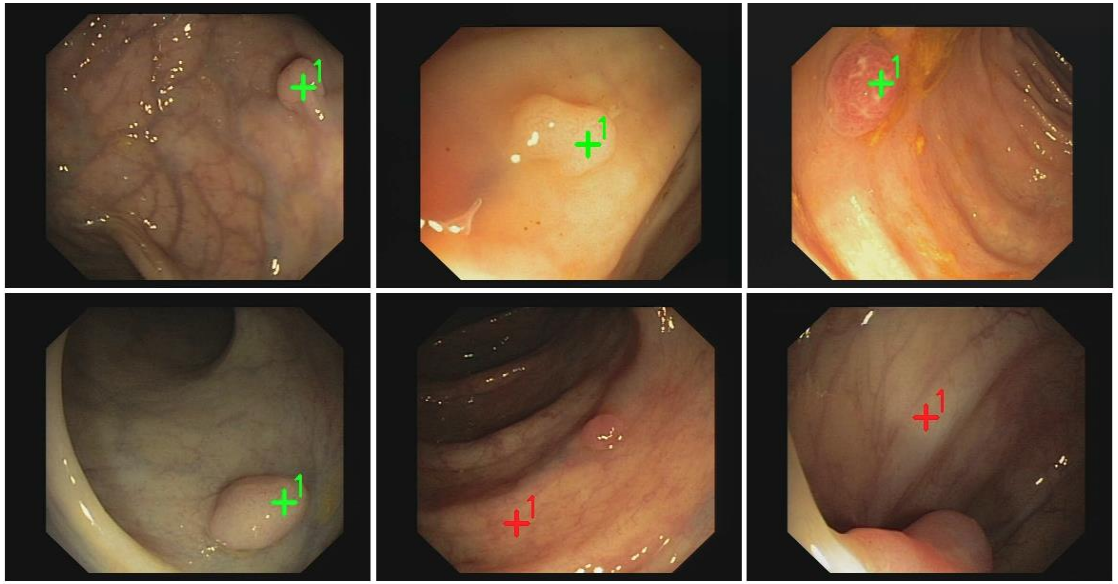


Example Application

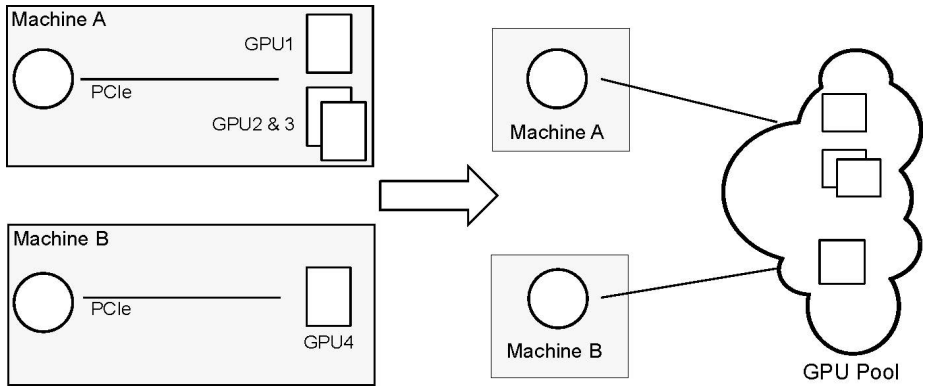
Processing of Medical Videos

P9258 - Efficient Processing of Medical Videos in a Multi-auditory Environment Using GPU Lending

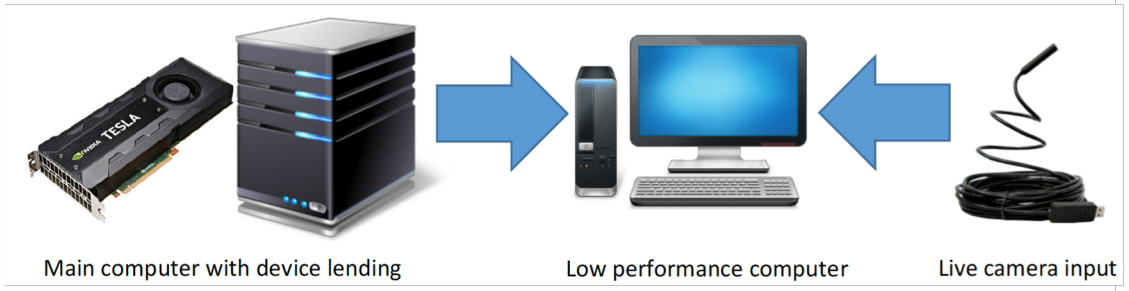
Scenario: Real-time computer-aided polyp detection

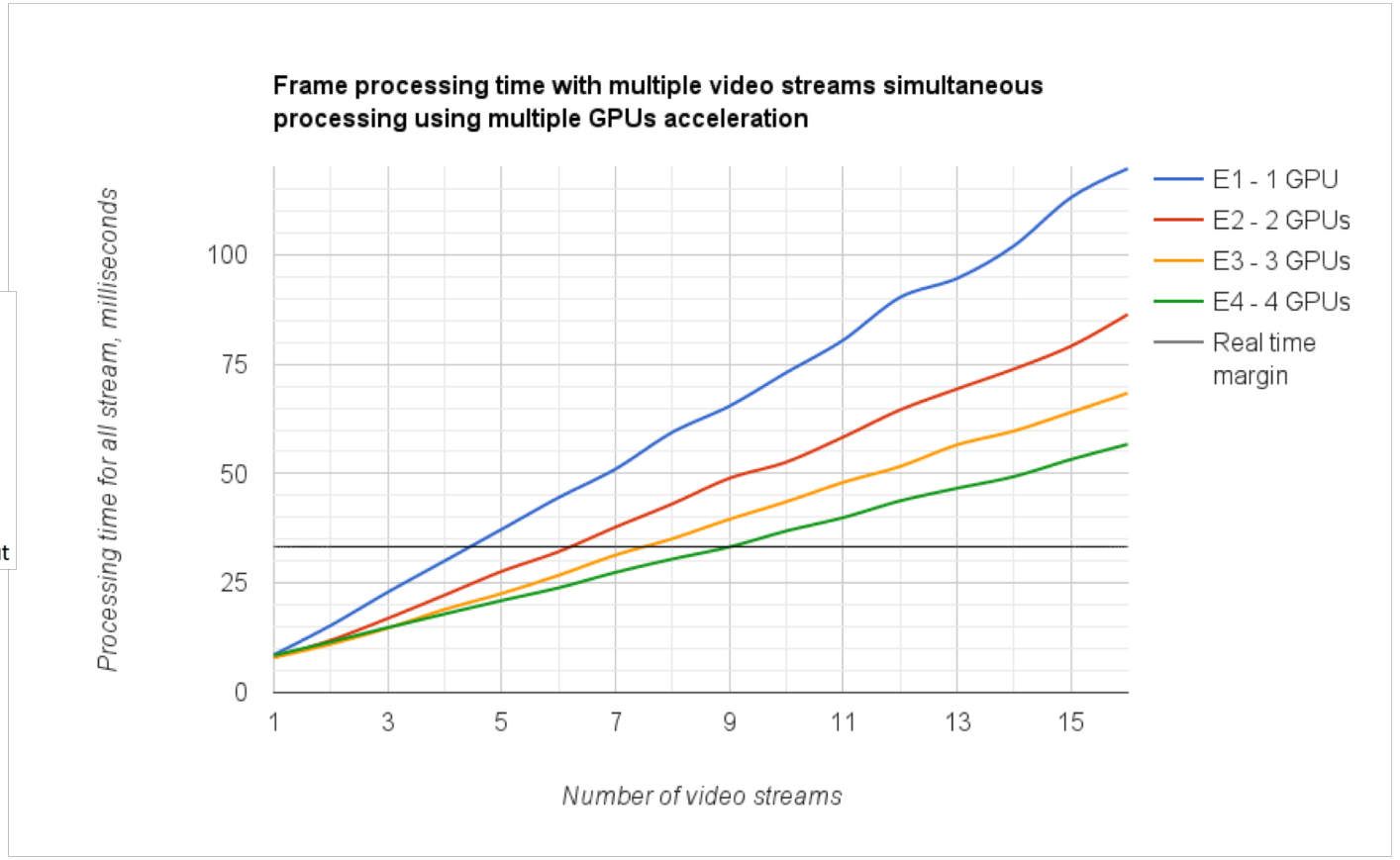


- PCIe fiber cables can be up to 100 meters.
- Enable ”thin clients” to use GPUs in remote machine room



Flexible sharing of GPU resources between multiple examination rooms





- System uses a combination of classic computer vision algorithms and machine learning.
- Research prototype since 2016.

Sharing of NVMe drives

For more details:

S9563 - Efficient Distributed Storage I/O using NVMe and GPU Direct in a PCIe Network

or

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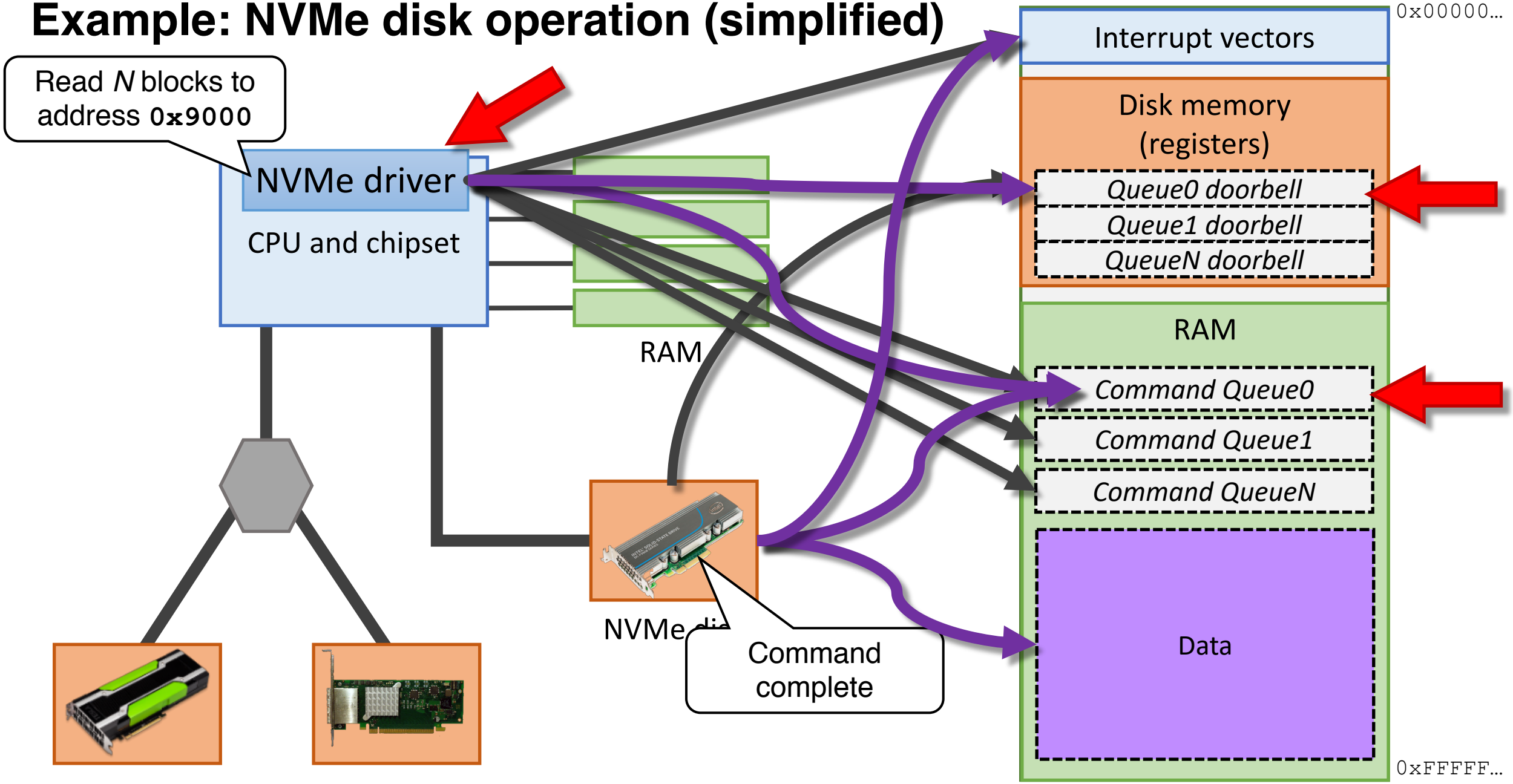
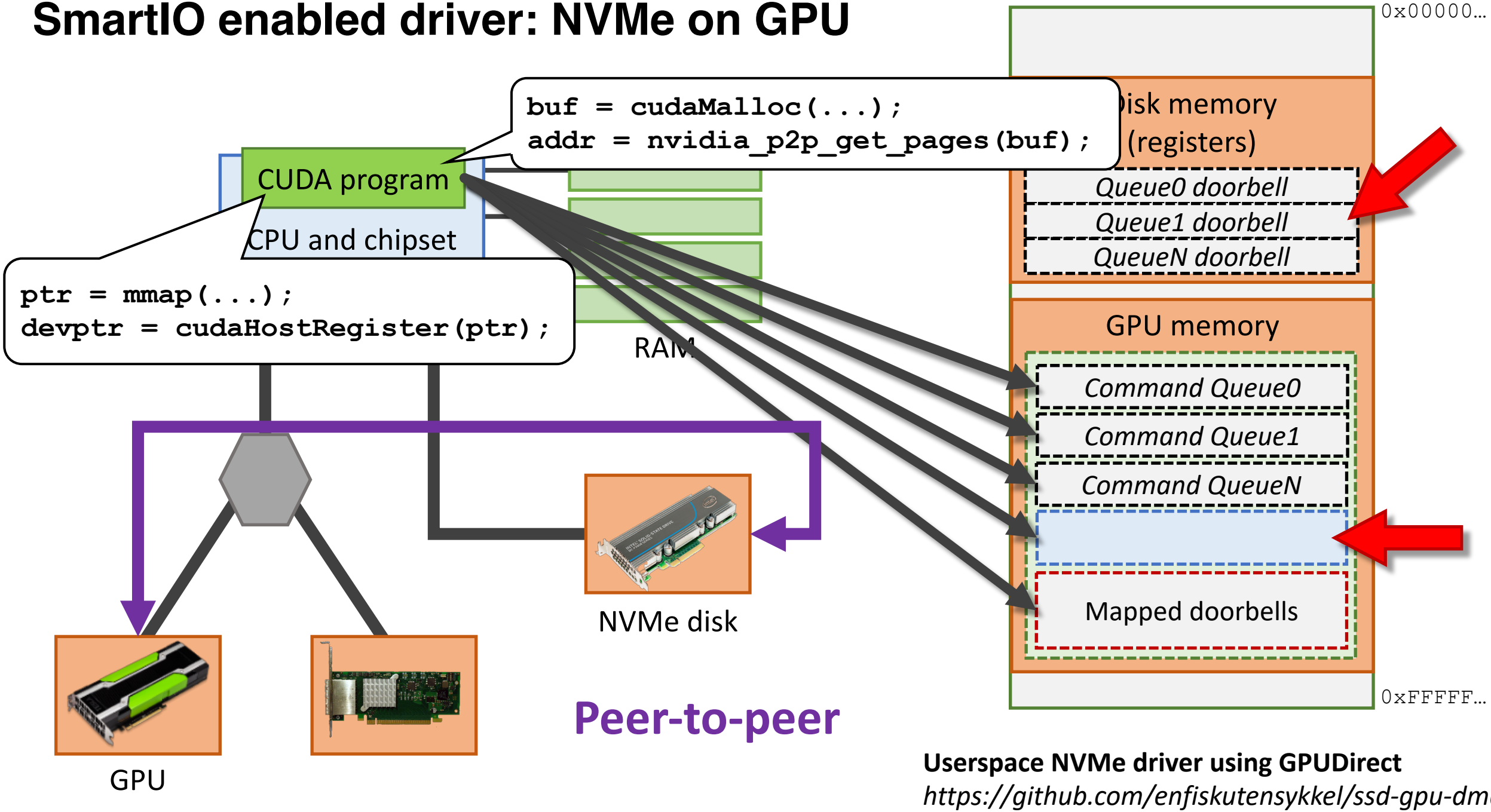
Example: NVMe disk operation (simplified)



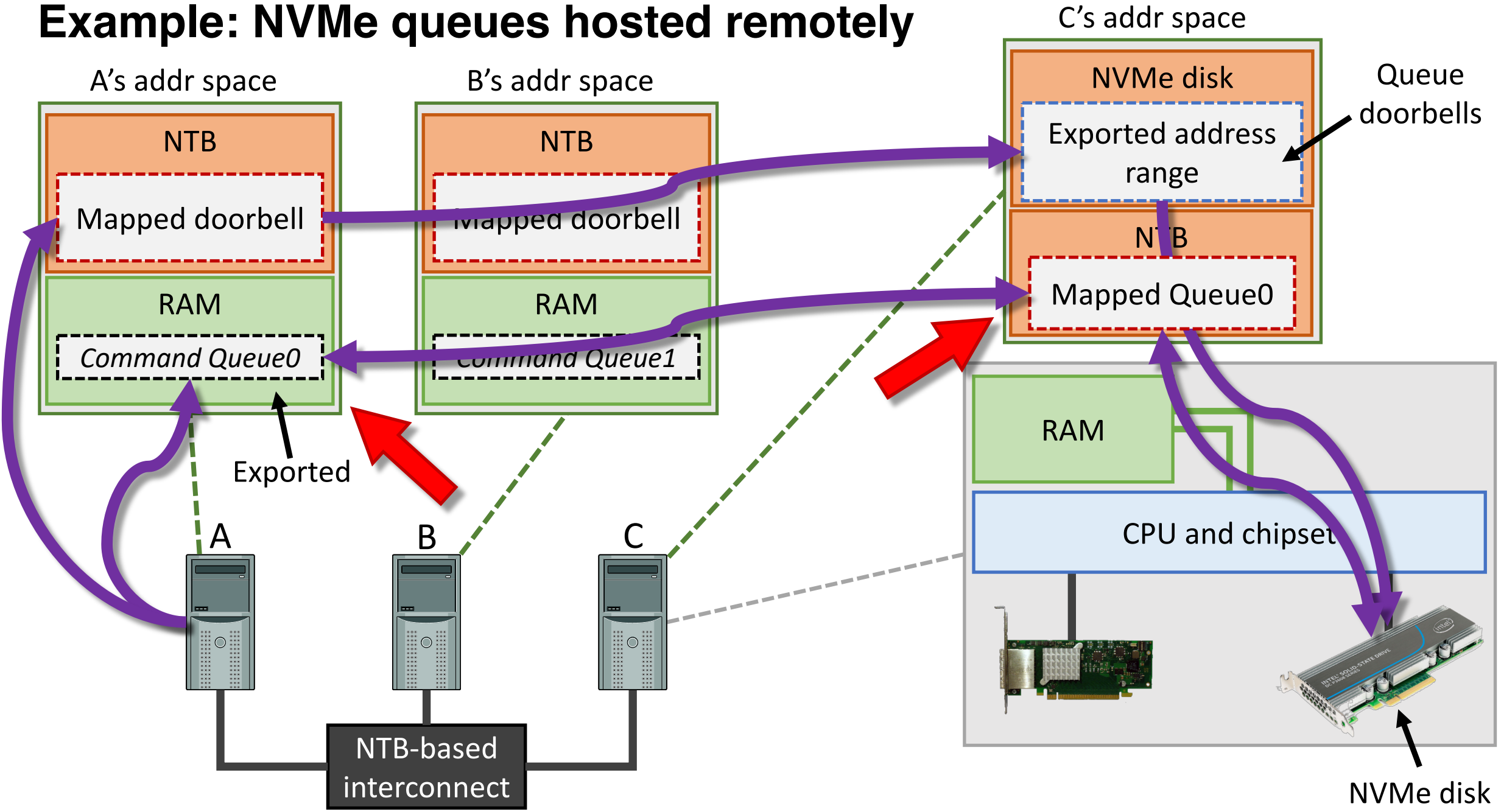
SmartIO enabled driver: NVMe on GPU



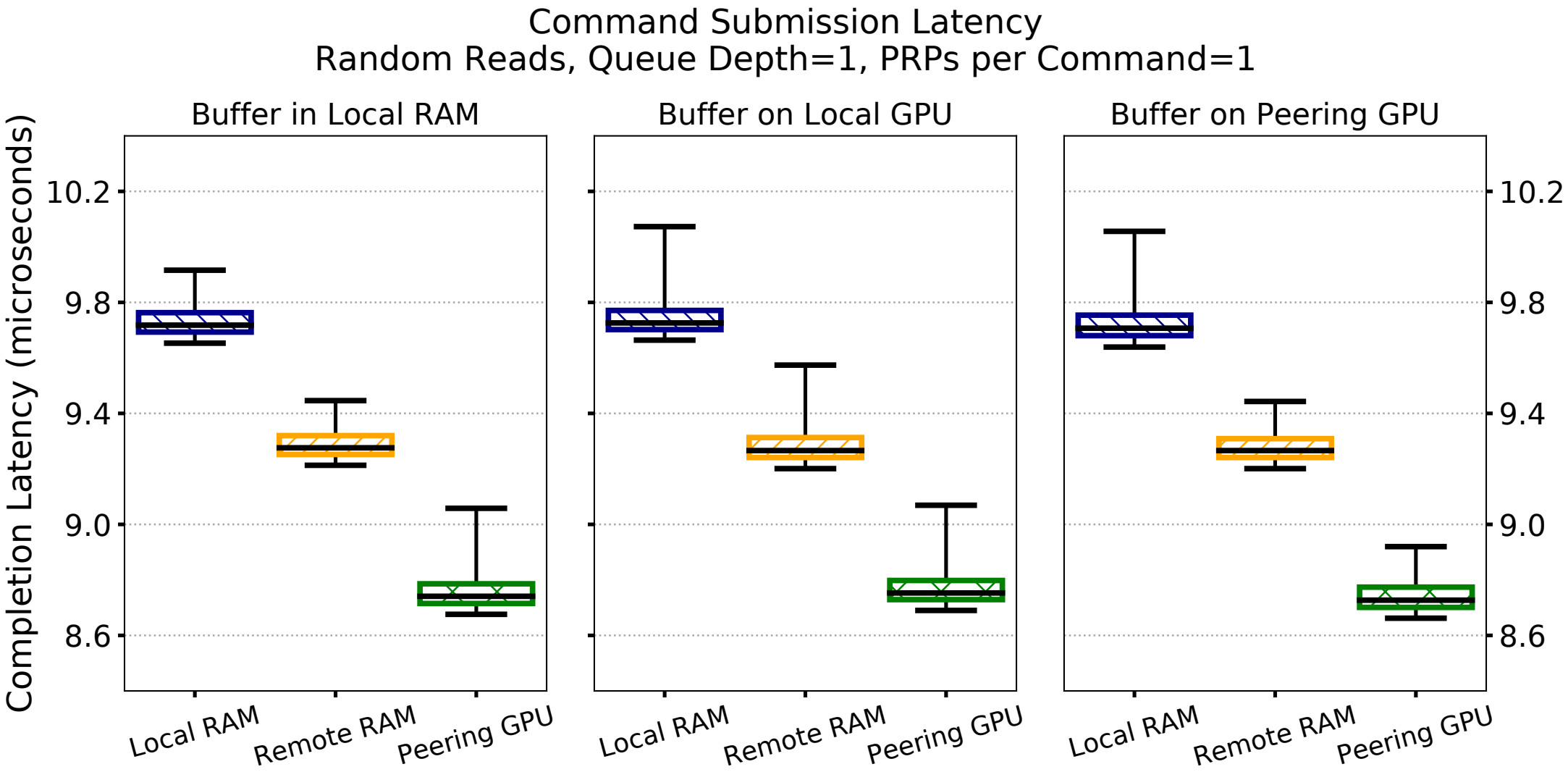
Userspace NVMe driver using GPUDirect

https://github.com/enfiskutensykkel/ssd-gpu-dma

Example: NVMe queues hosted remotely

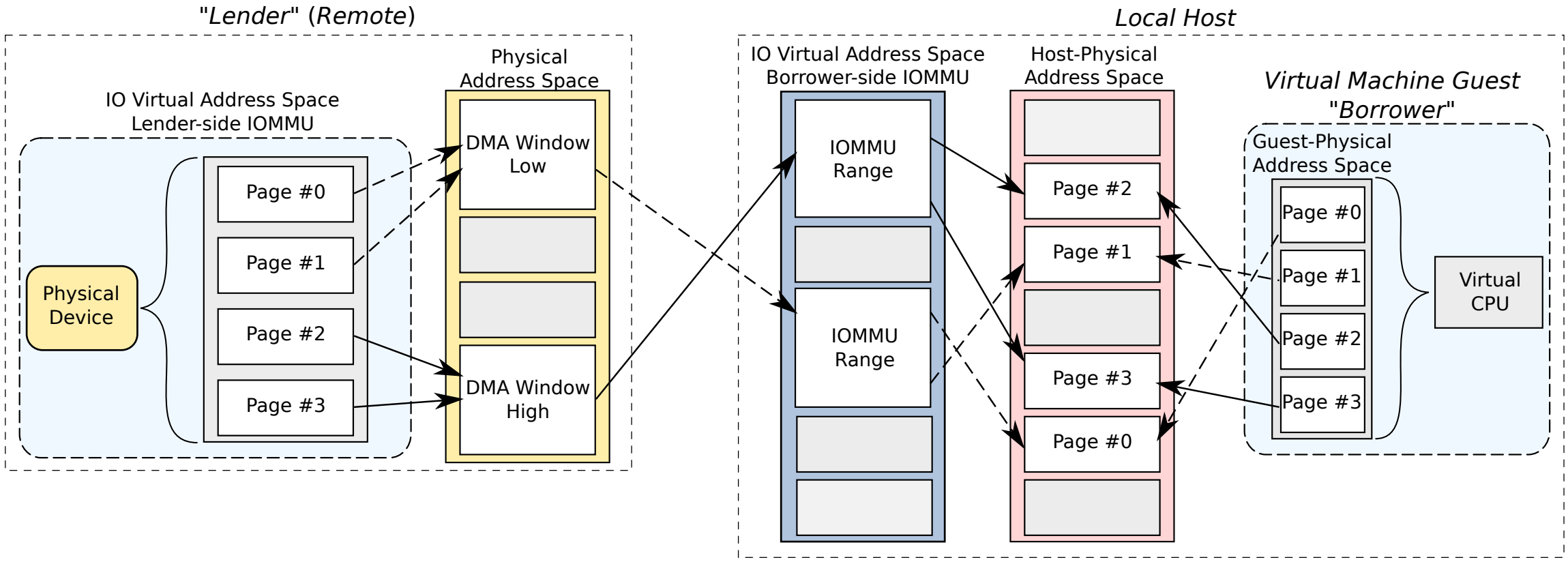


Read latency for reading blocks from a NVMe disk into a GPU: Local versus borrowed disk

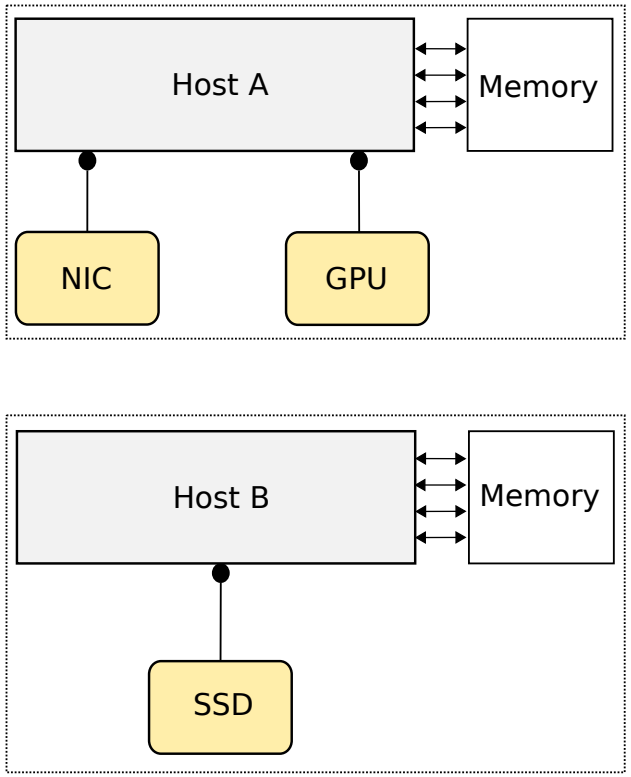


SmartIO in Virtual Machines

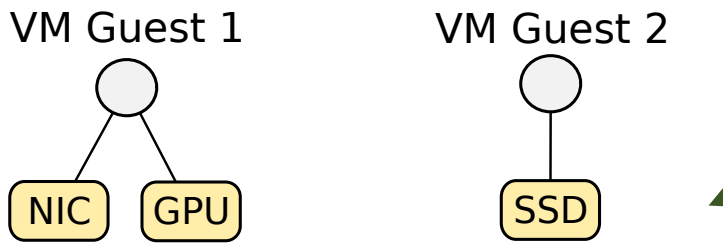
SmartIO fully supports to lend devices to virtual machines running in Linux KVM uning Virtual Function IO API (VFIO)



Pass-through allows physical devices to be used by VMs with minimal overhead, but is not as flexible as resource virtualization



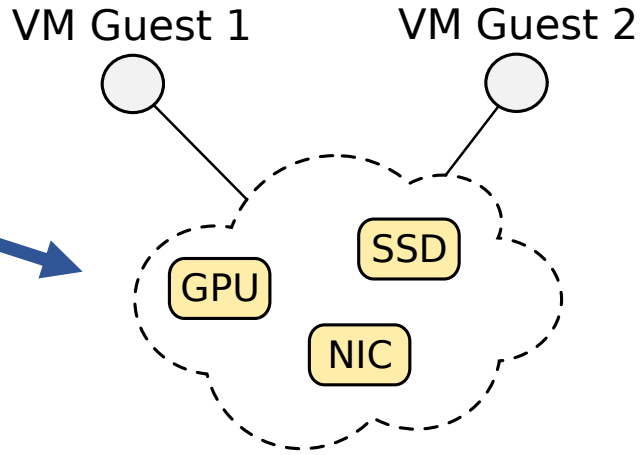
Physical View



Minimal Virtualization Overhead

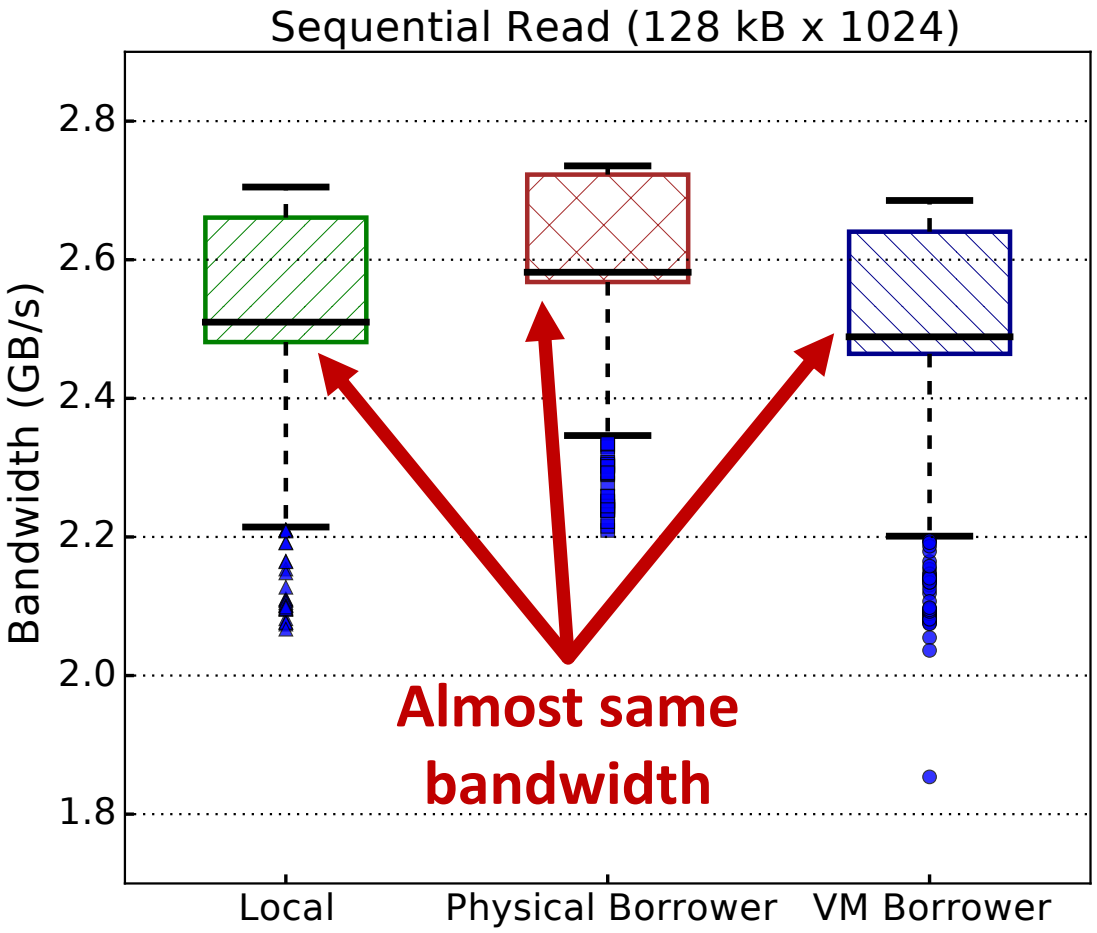
Pass-through of Physical Resources

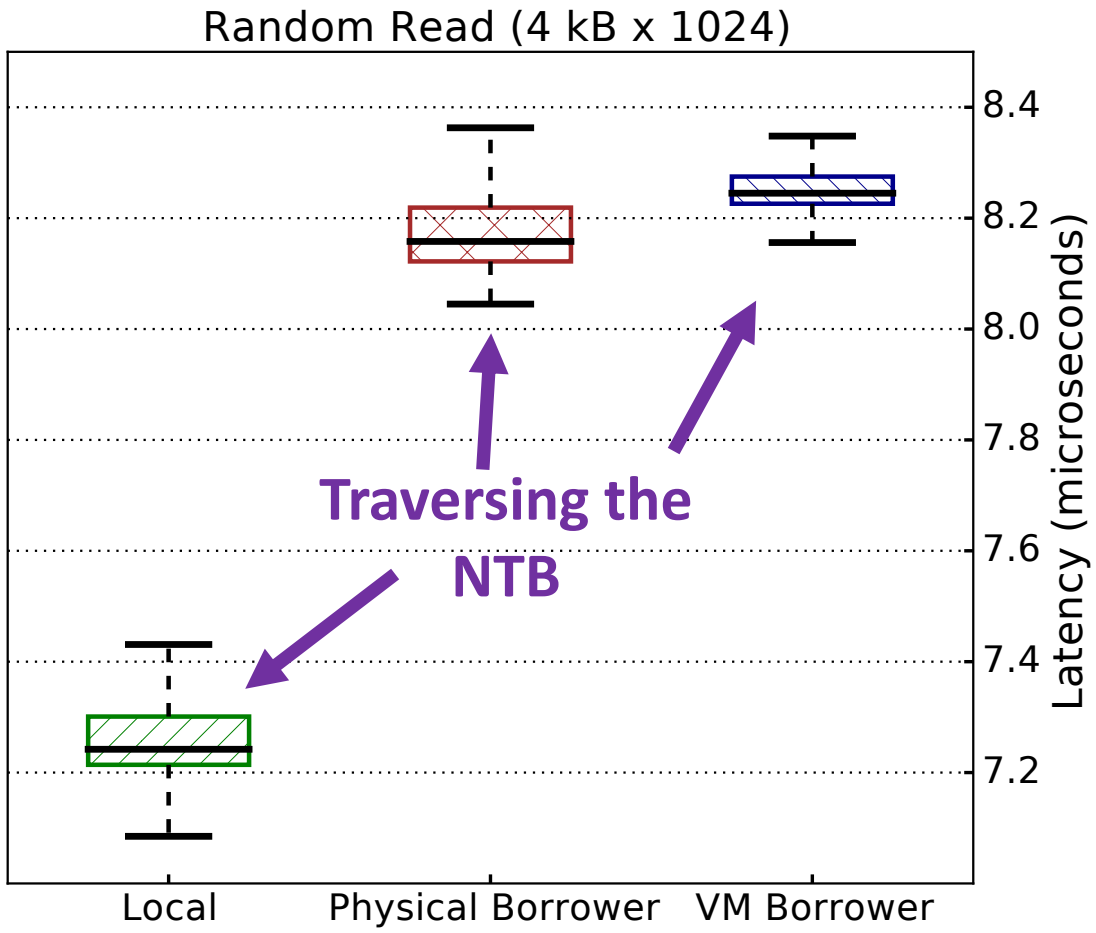
Dynamic Provisioning & Flexible Composition



Virtual or Paravirtualized Resources

Passing through a remote NVMe disk to a VM only adds the latency of traversing the NTB and is comparable to a physical borrower





Guest OS: Ubuntu 17.04, Host OS: CentOS 7
VM: Qemu 2.17 using KVM
NVMe Disk: Intel 900P Optane (PCIe x4 Gen3)

Thank you!

Selected publications

"Device Lending in PCI Express Networks"
ACM NOSSDAV 2016

"Efficient Processing of Video in a Multi Auditory Environment using Device Lending of GPUs"
ACM Multimedia Systems 2016 (MMSys'16)

"Flexible Device Sharing in PCIe Clusters using Device Lending", International Conference on Parallel Processing Companion (ICPP'18 Comp)

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SmartIO & Device Lending demo with GPUs, NVMe and more

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