




An Adaptive On-line CPU-GPU Governor for Games on Mobile Devices

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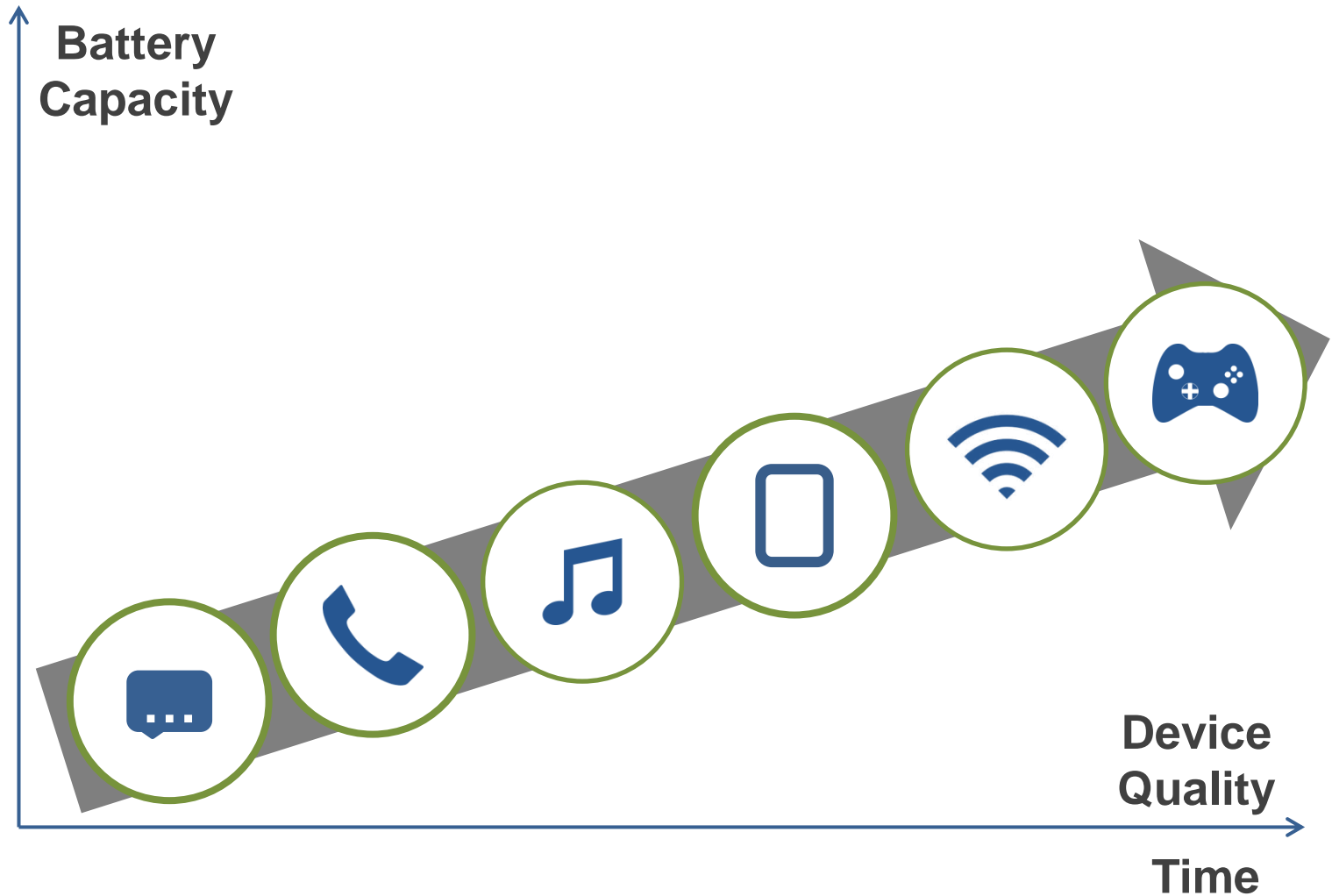
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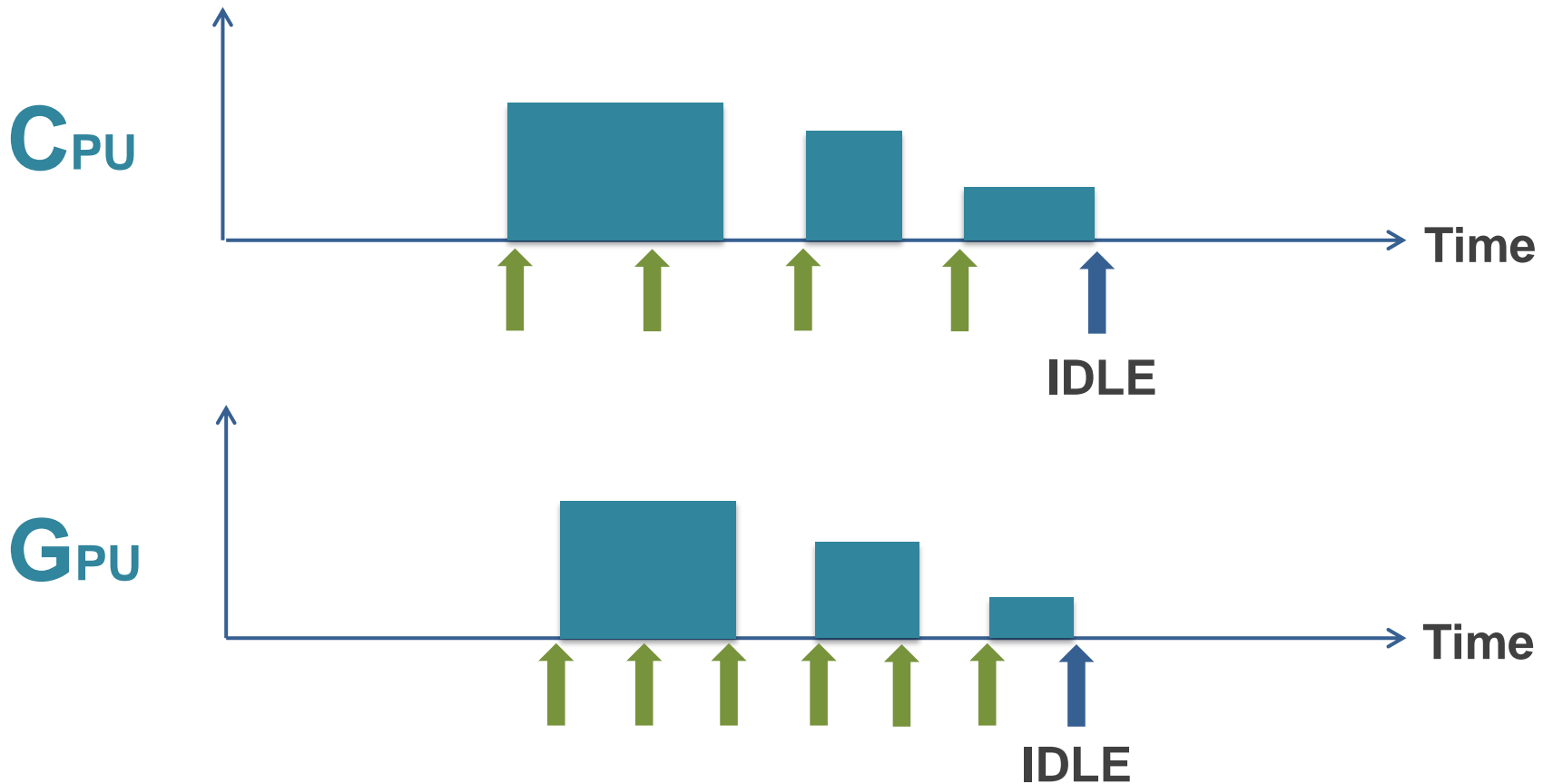
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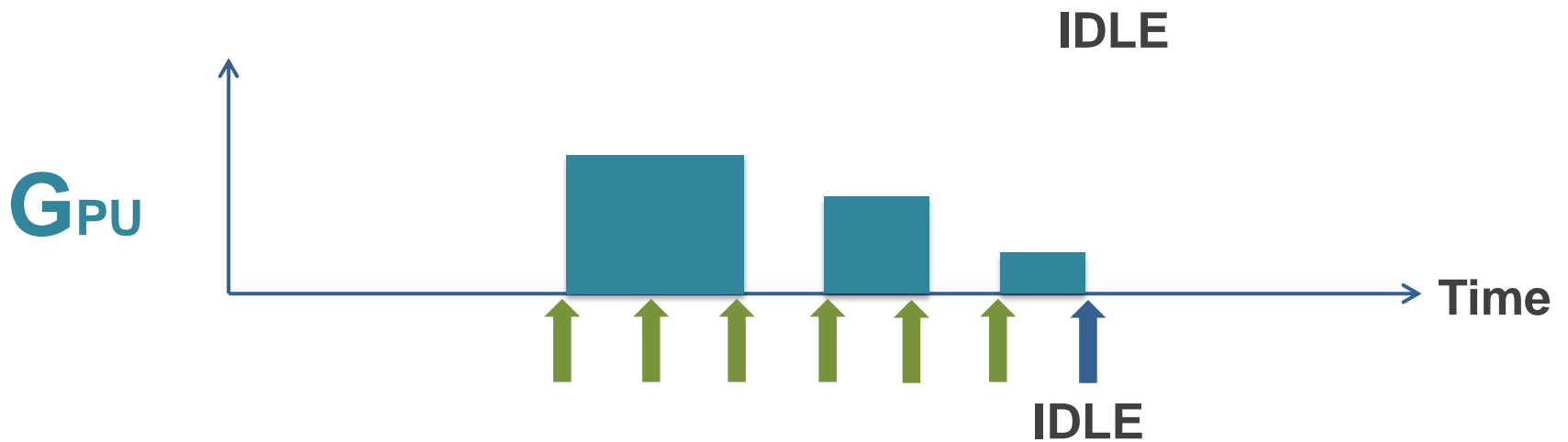
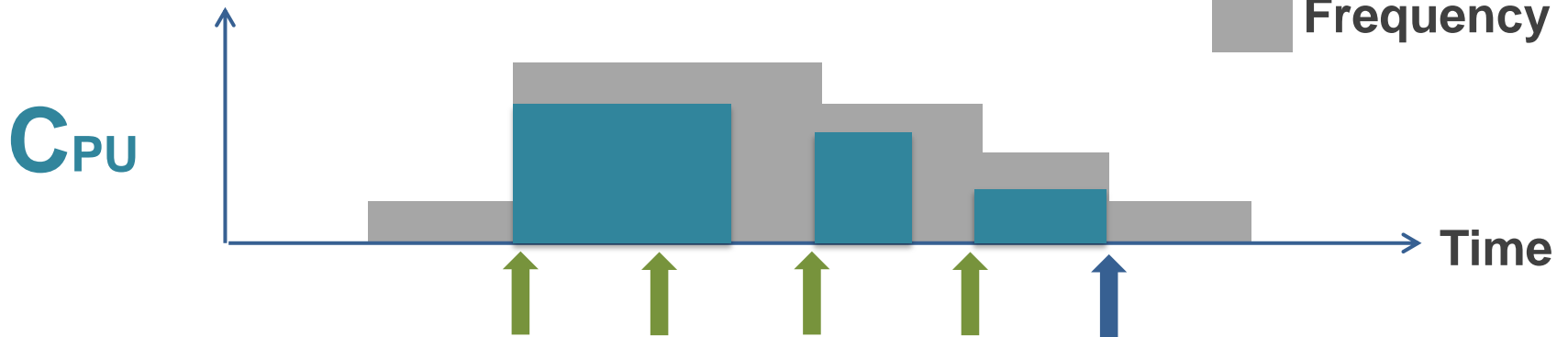
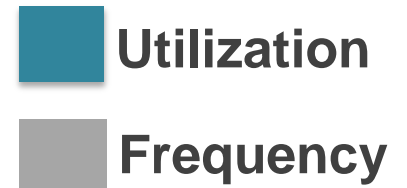
Utilization Based Scaling

■ Utilization



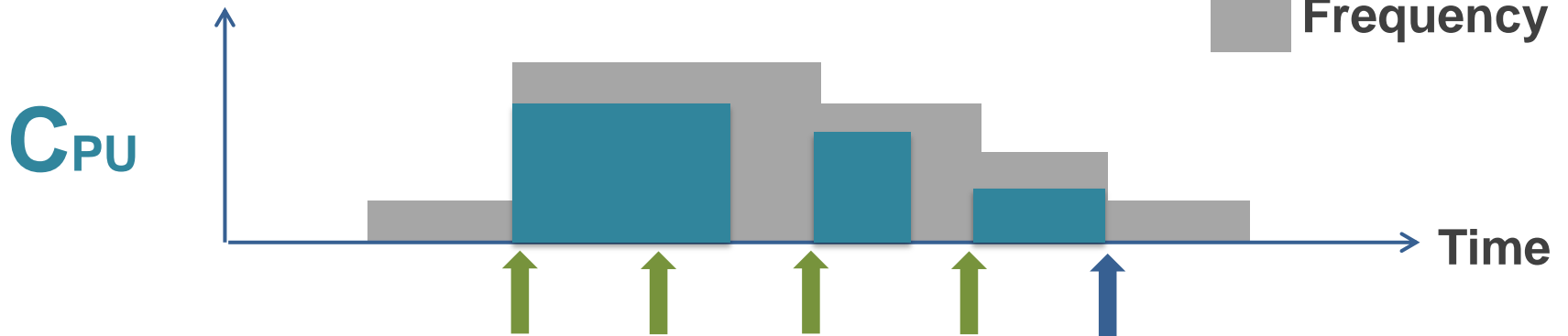
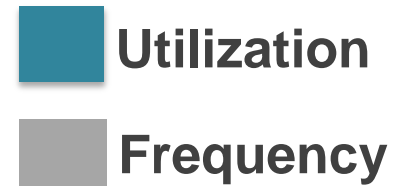
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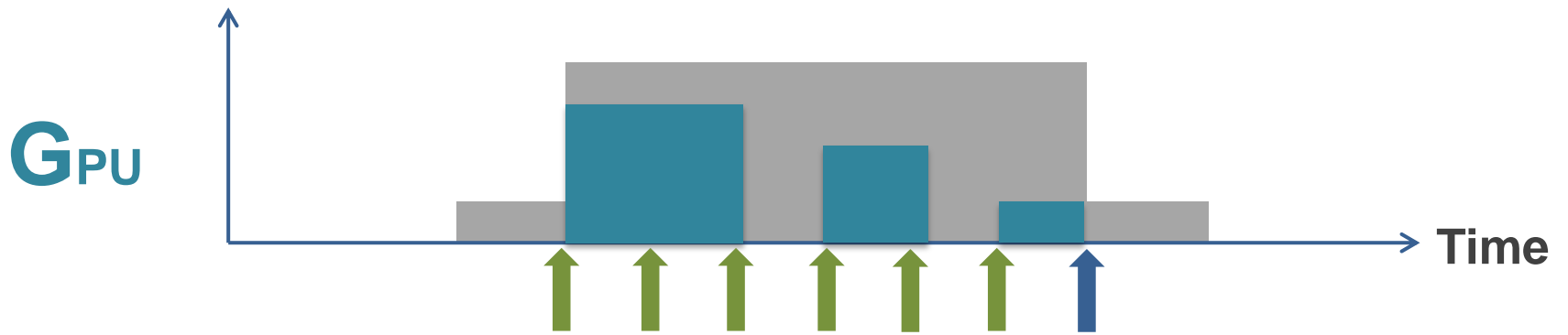


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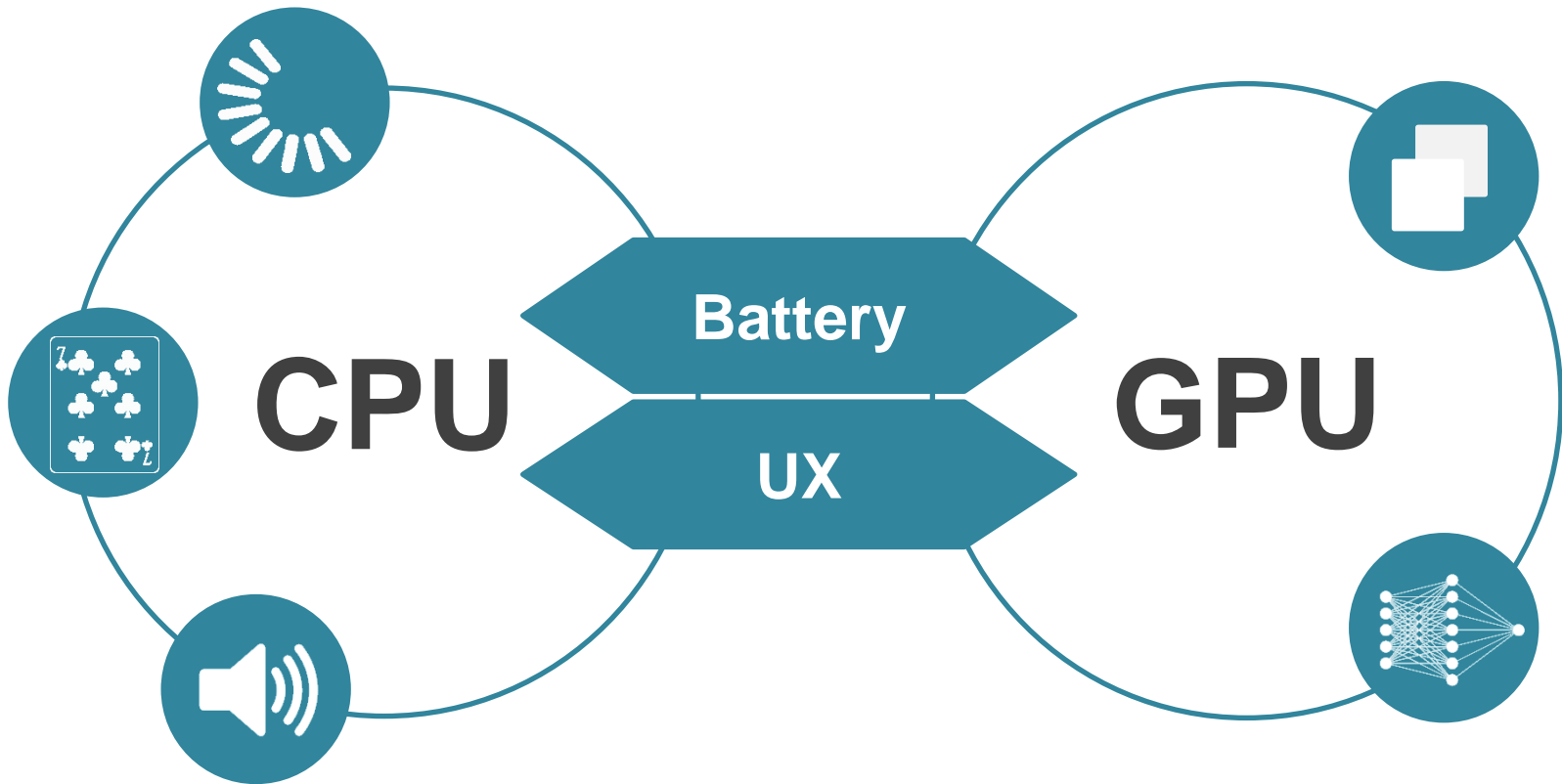
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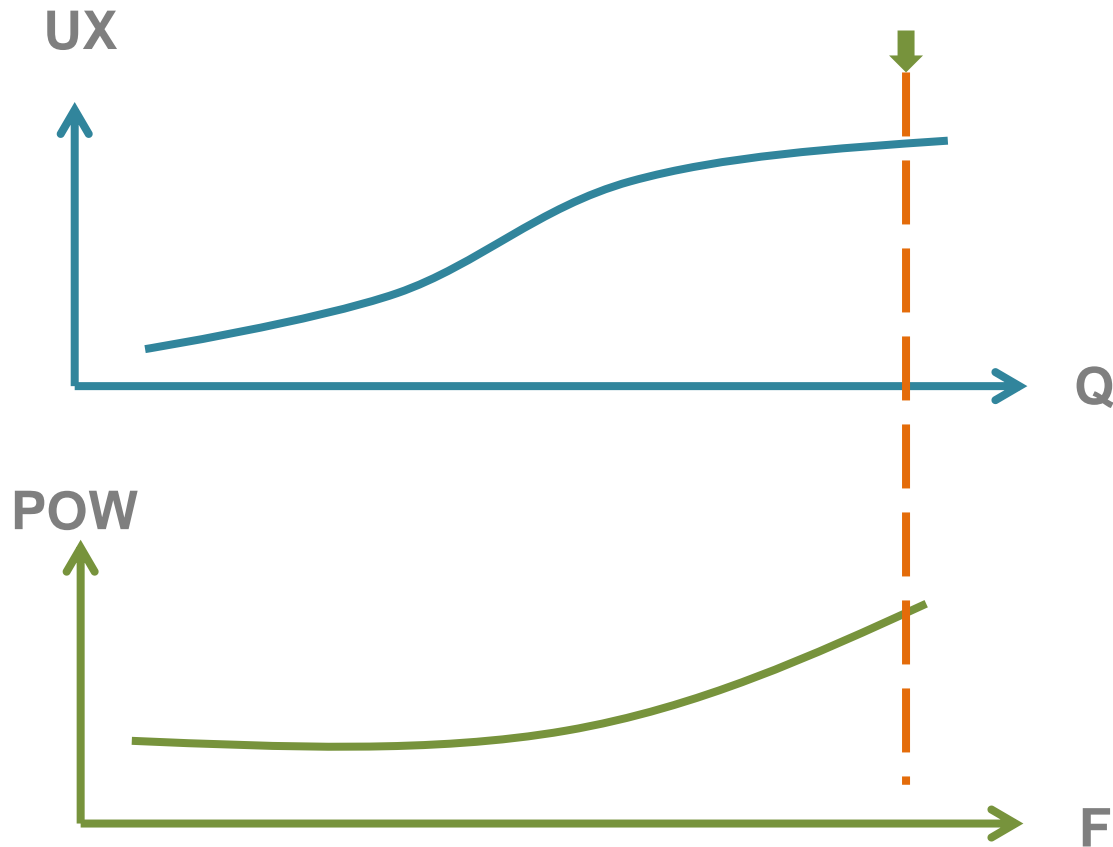
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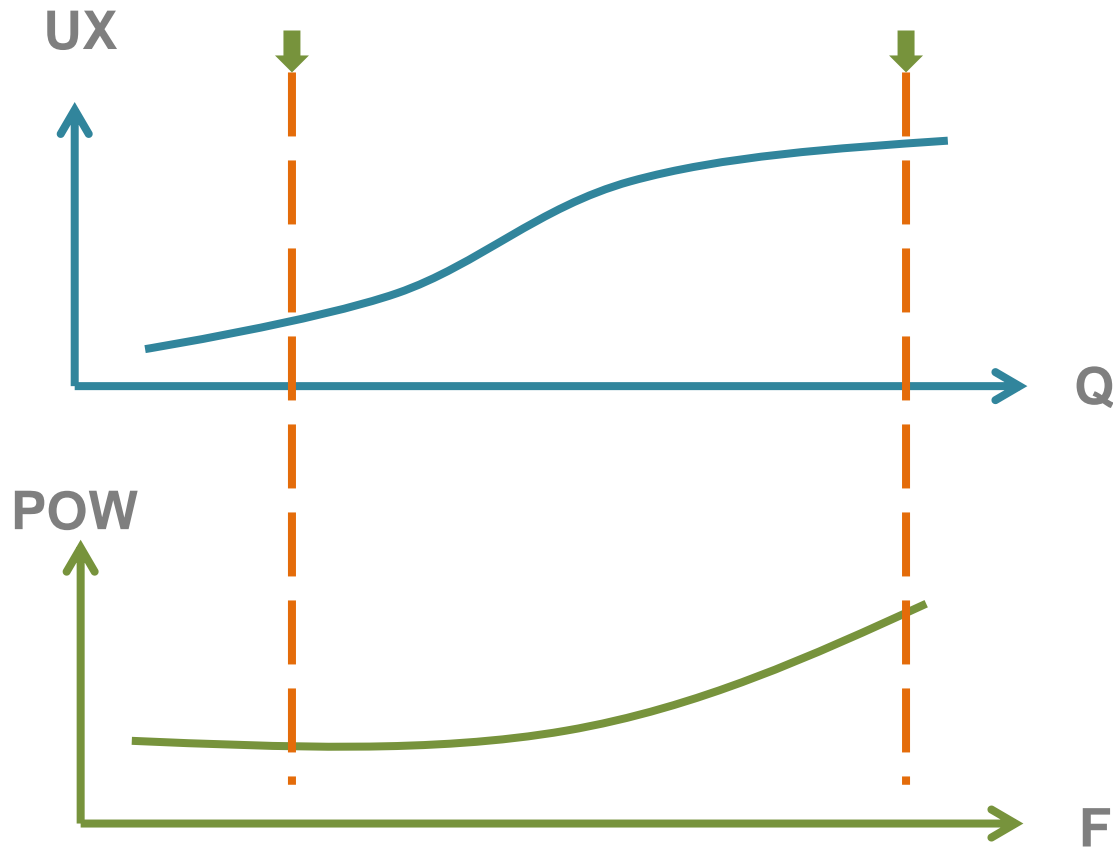
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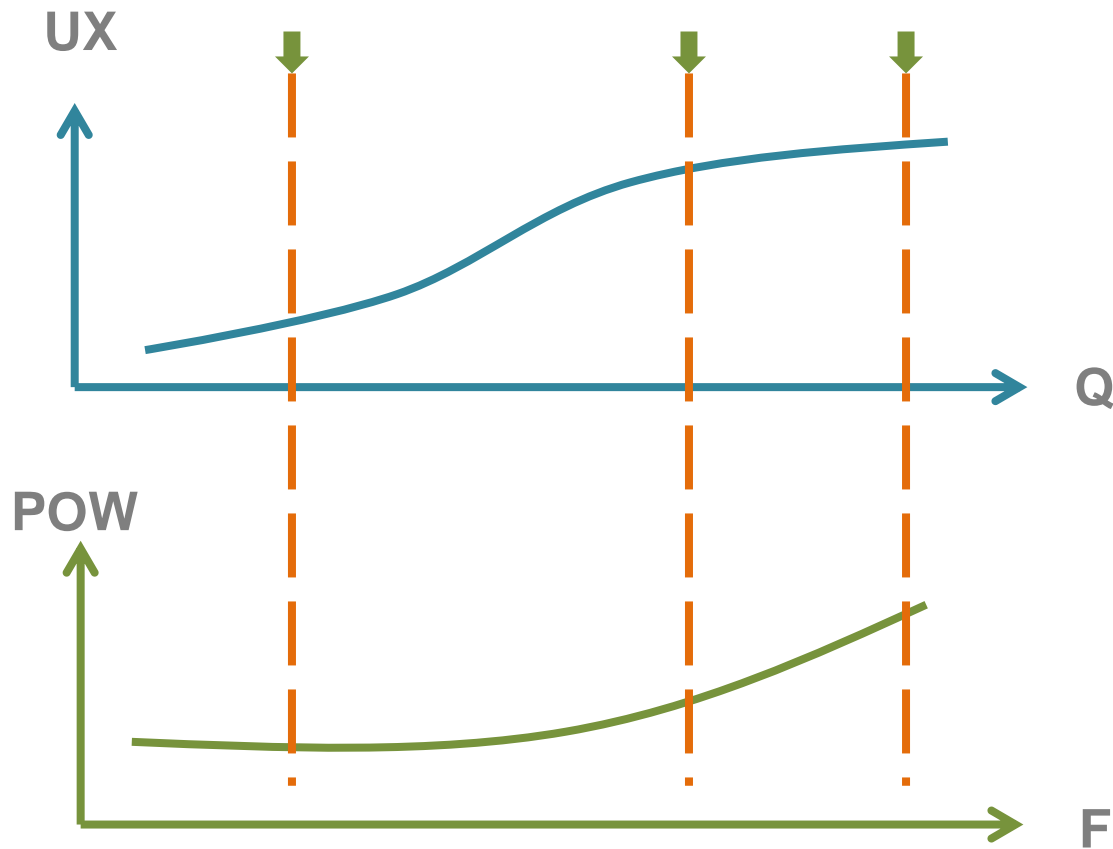
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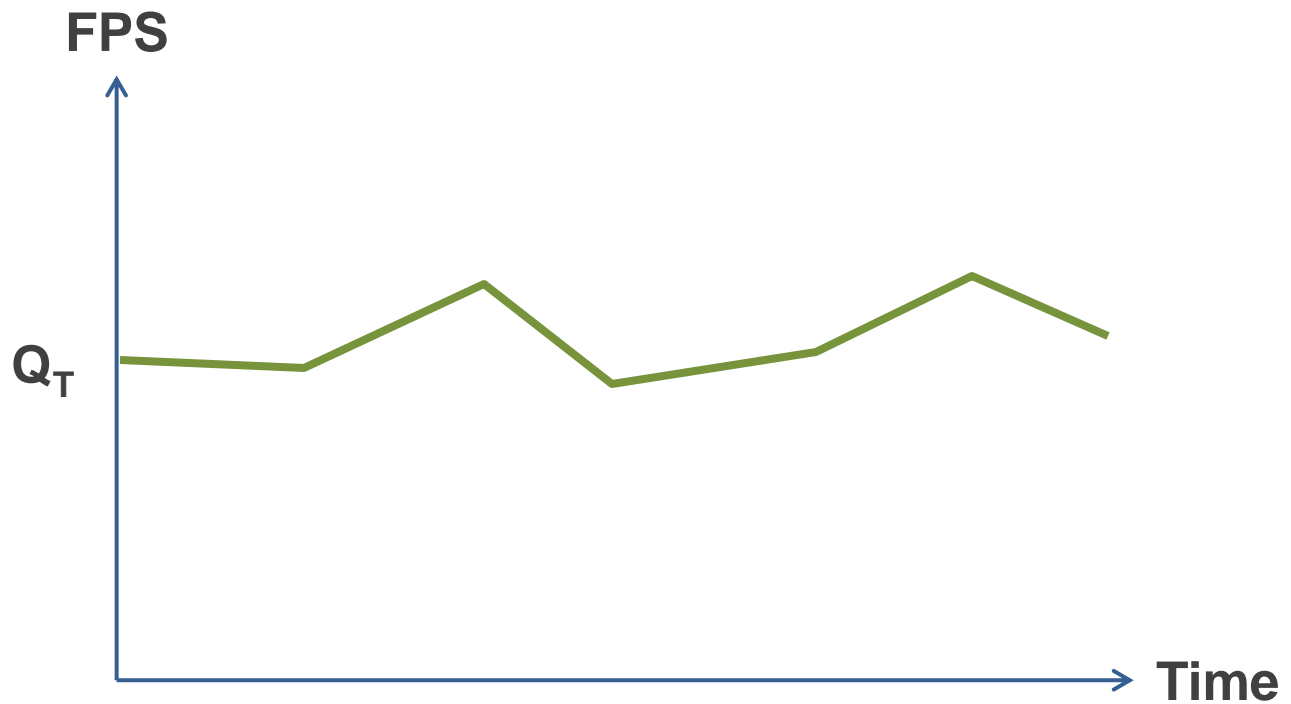
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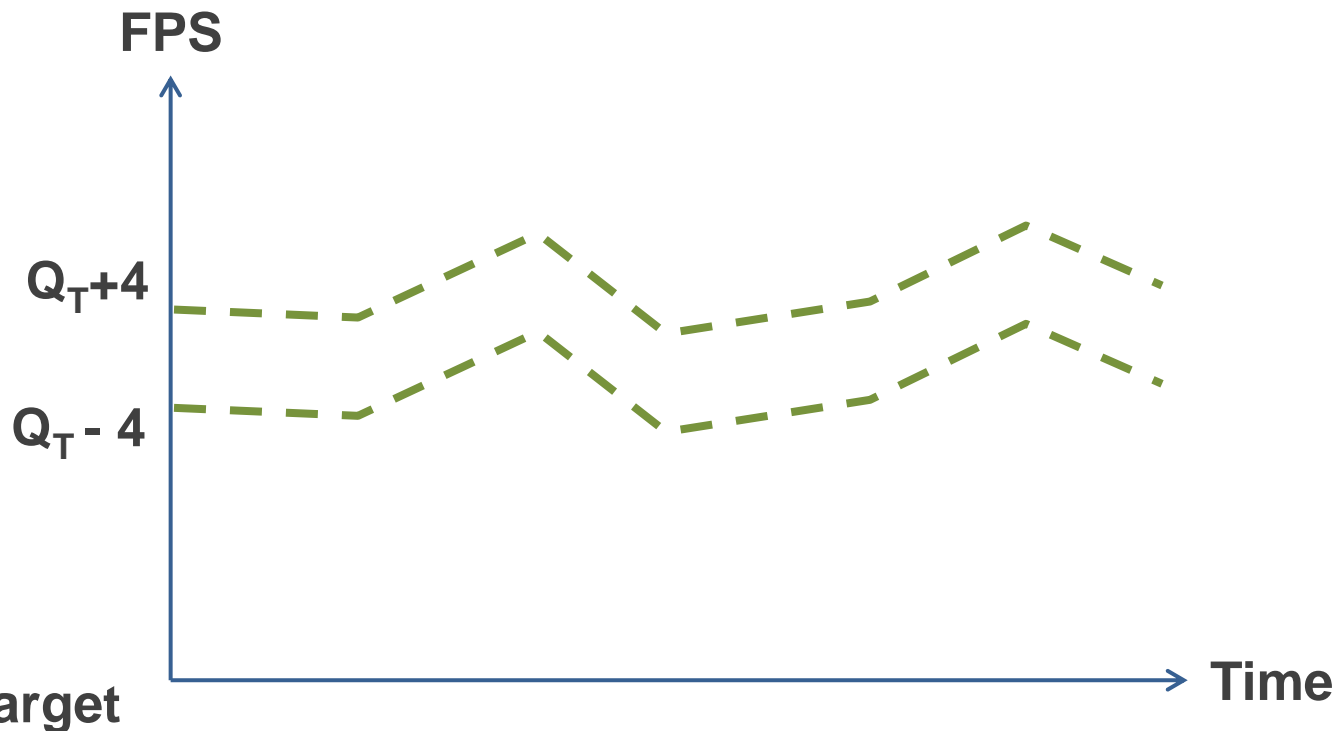
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Concept : Quality achievement



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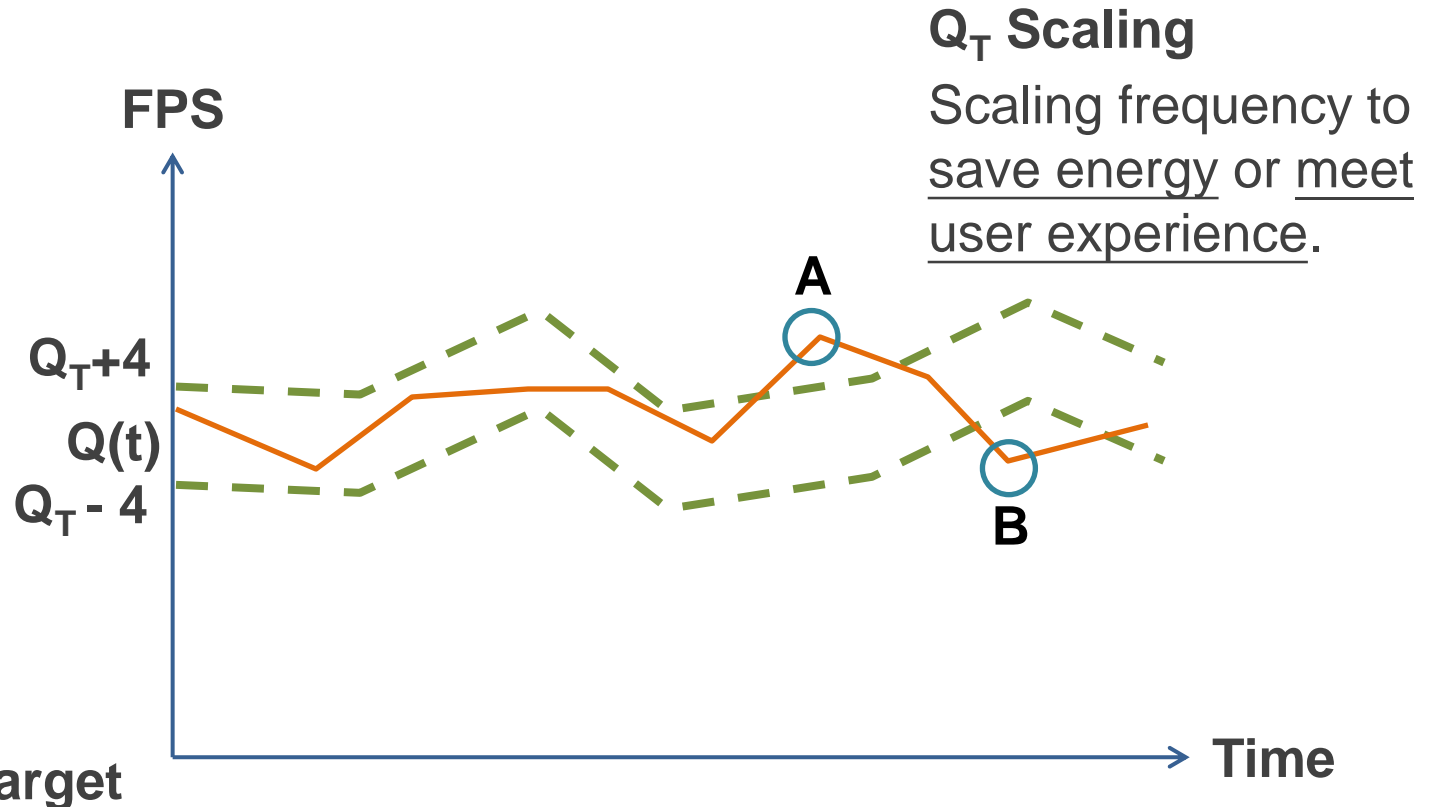
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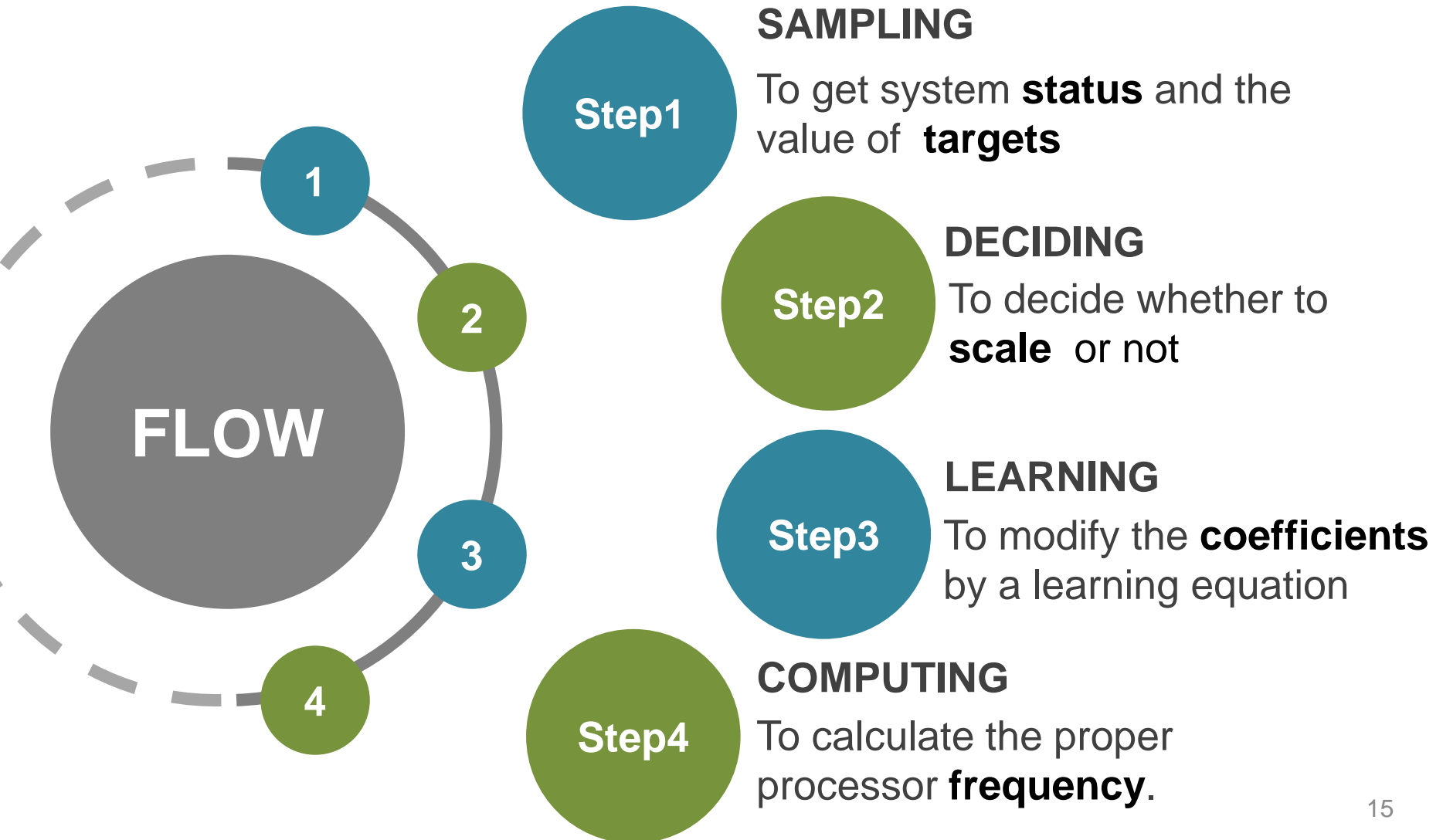
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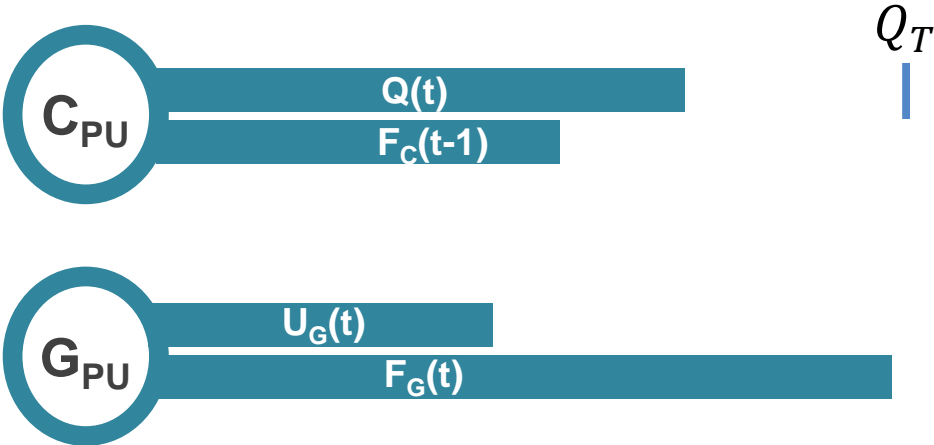
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Flow



Q_T Scaling

Quality achievement

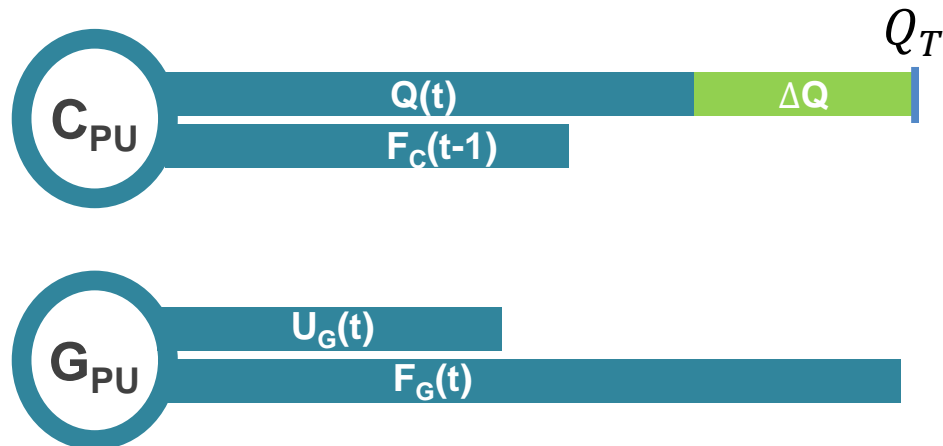


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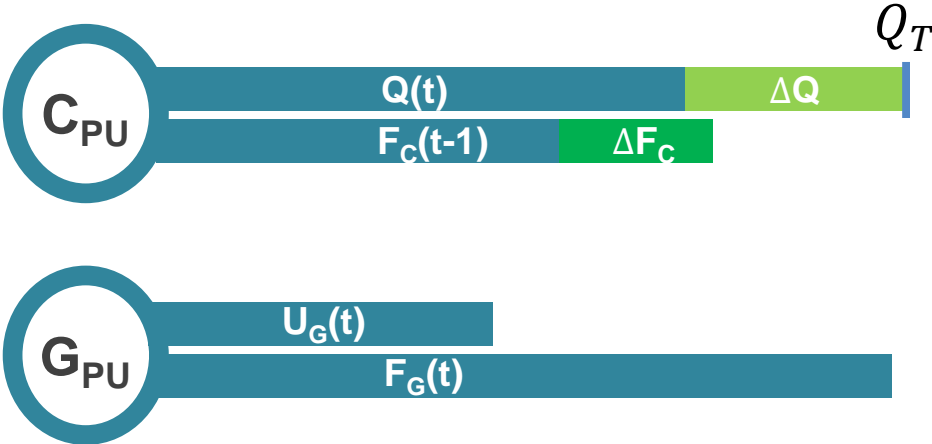
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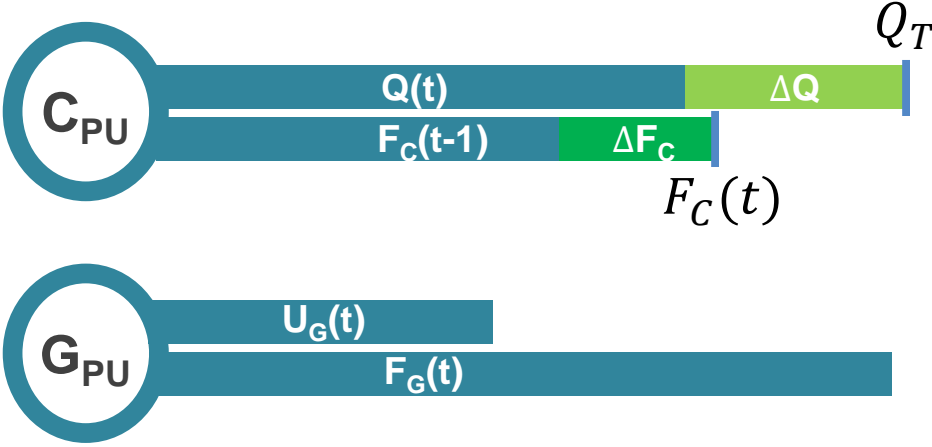
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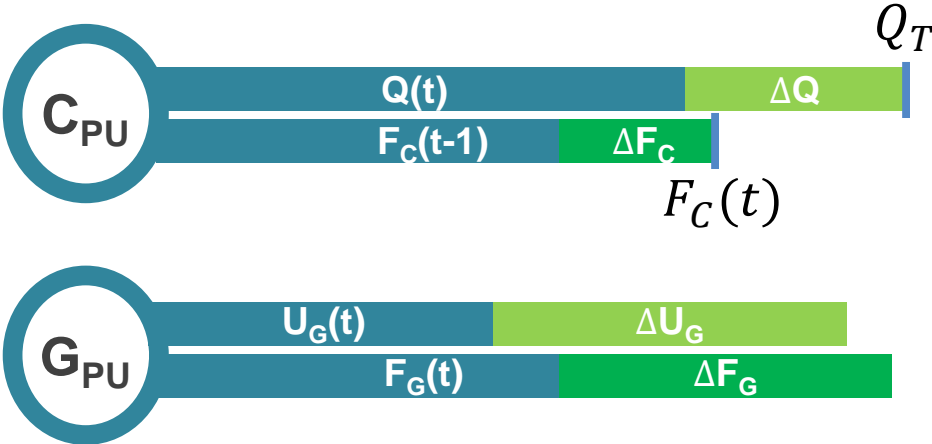
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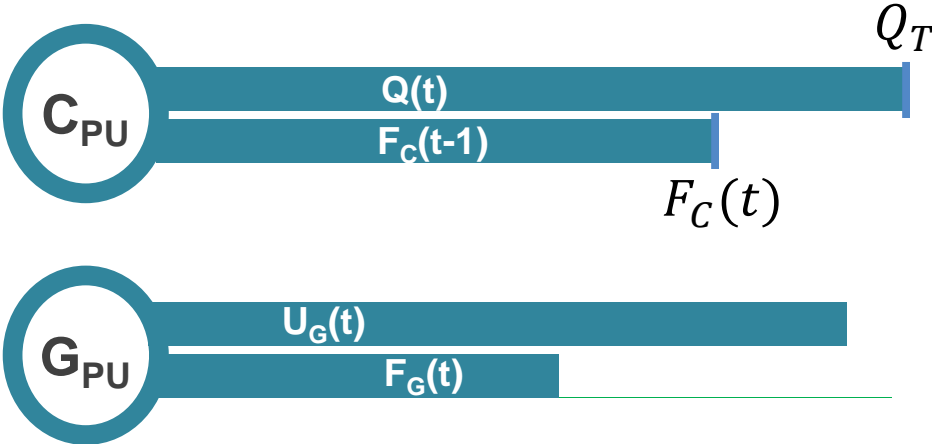
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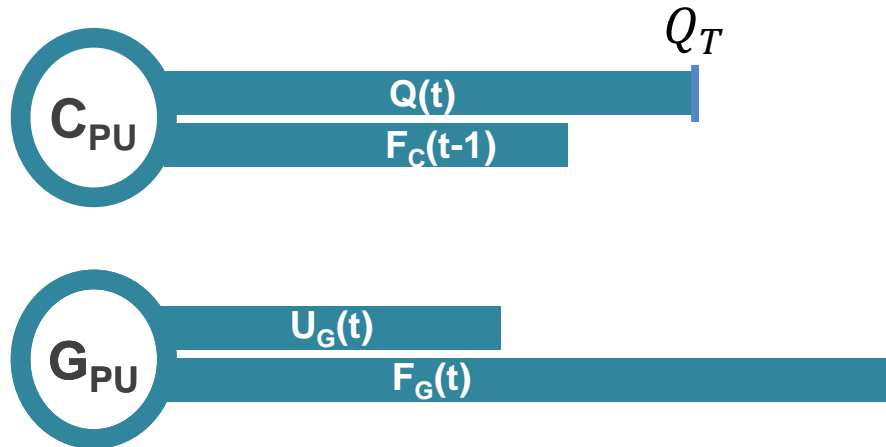


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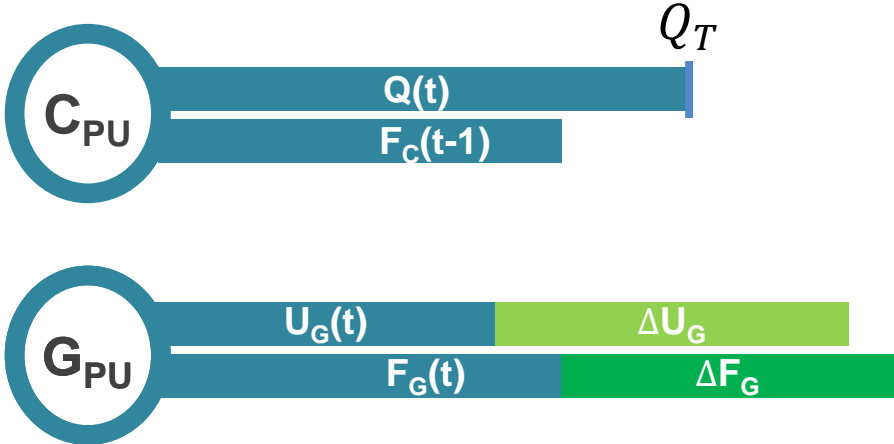


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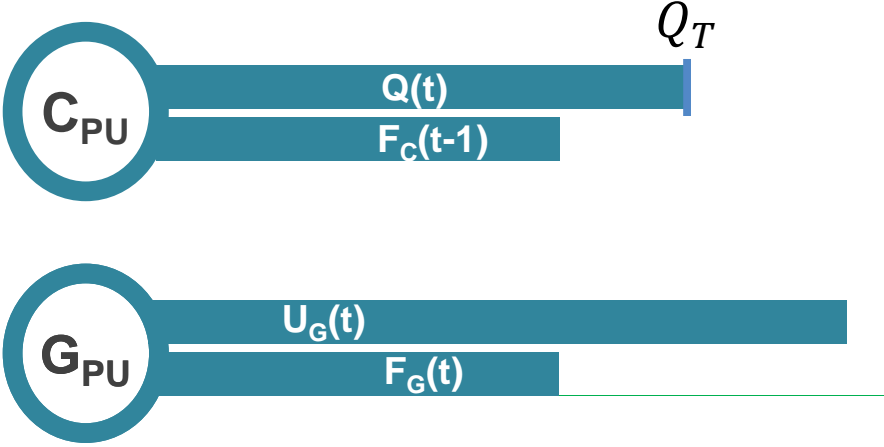
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DECIDING

ORIENTATION



CPU Oriented

According to Linux standard, when the utilization of GPU is lower than 80%, it is CPU oriented.

SAMPLING

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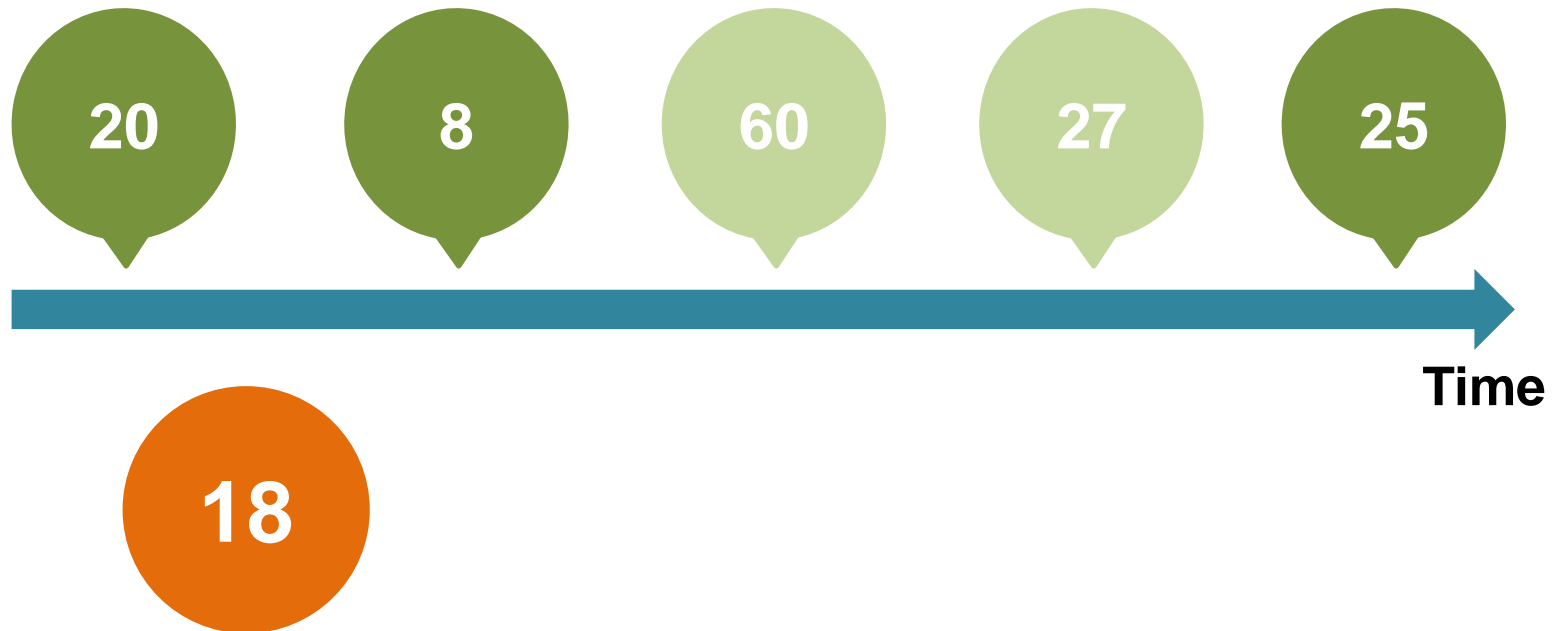


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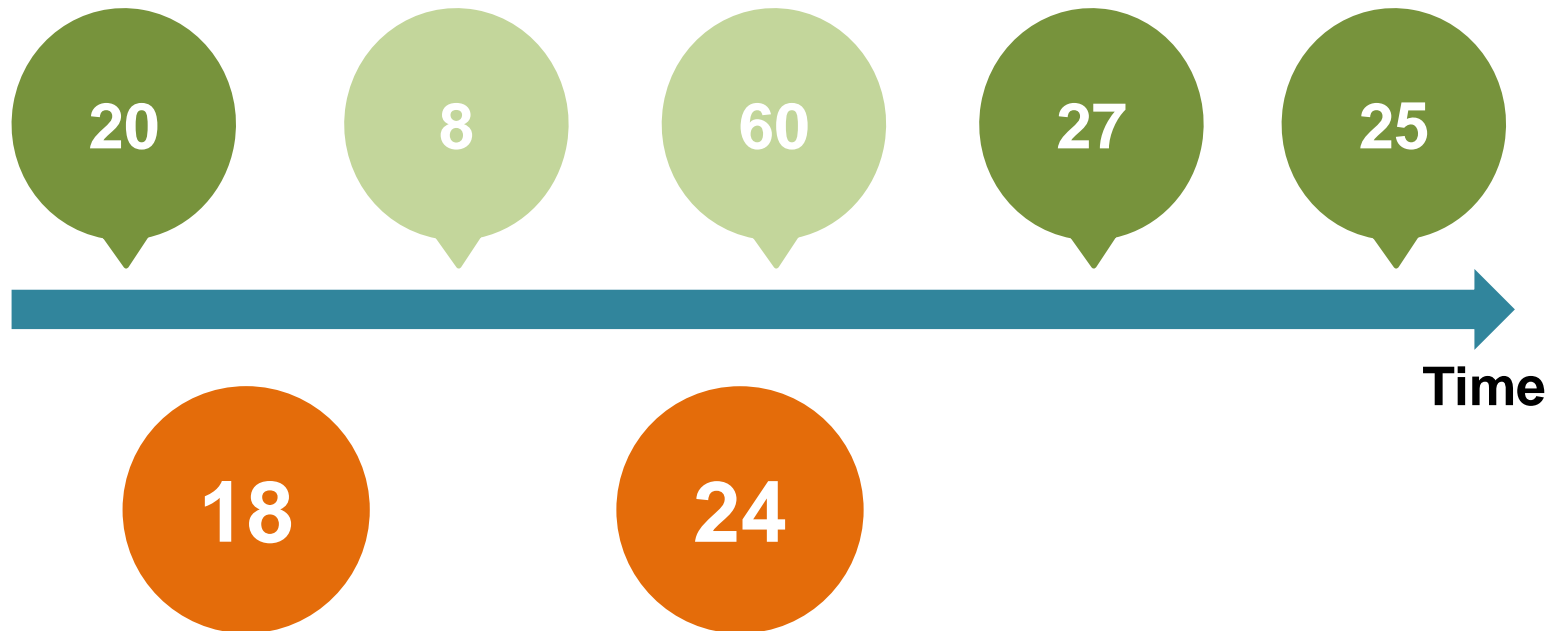


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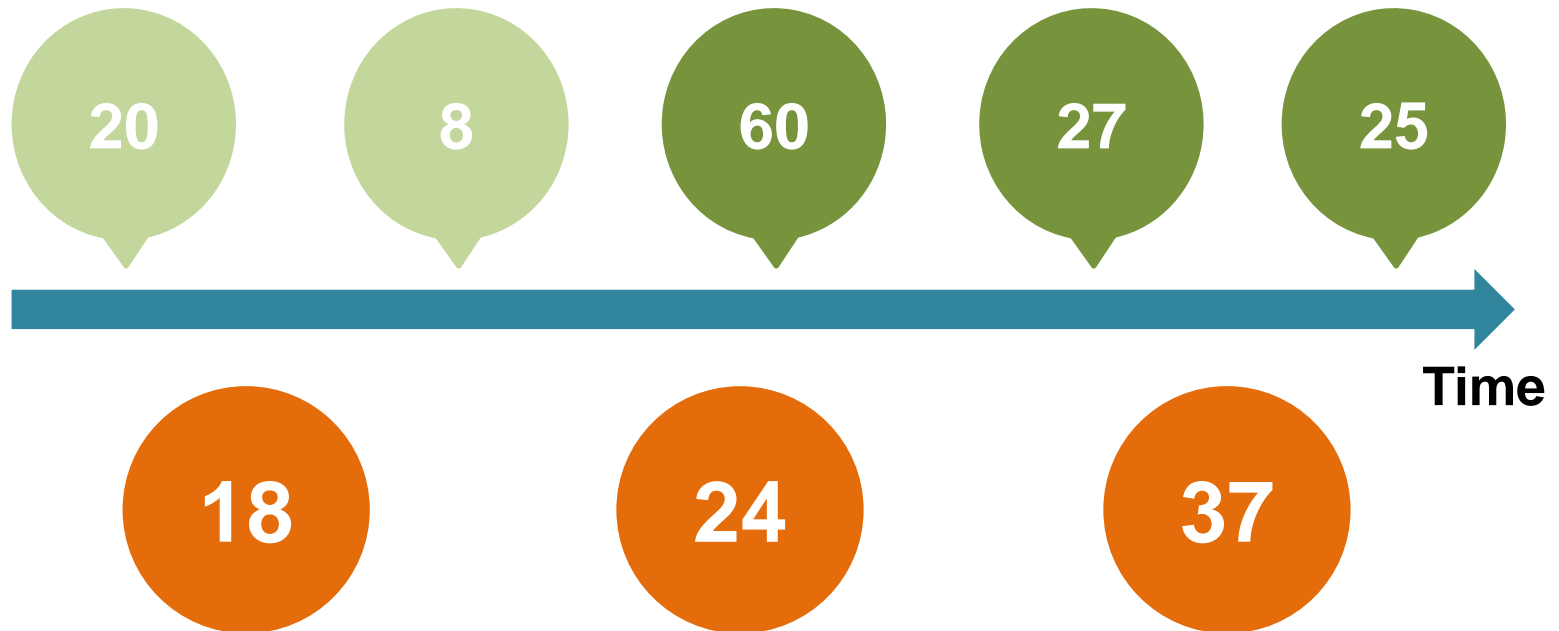


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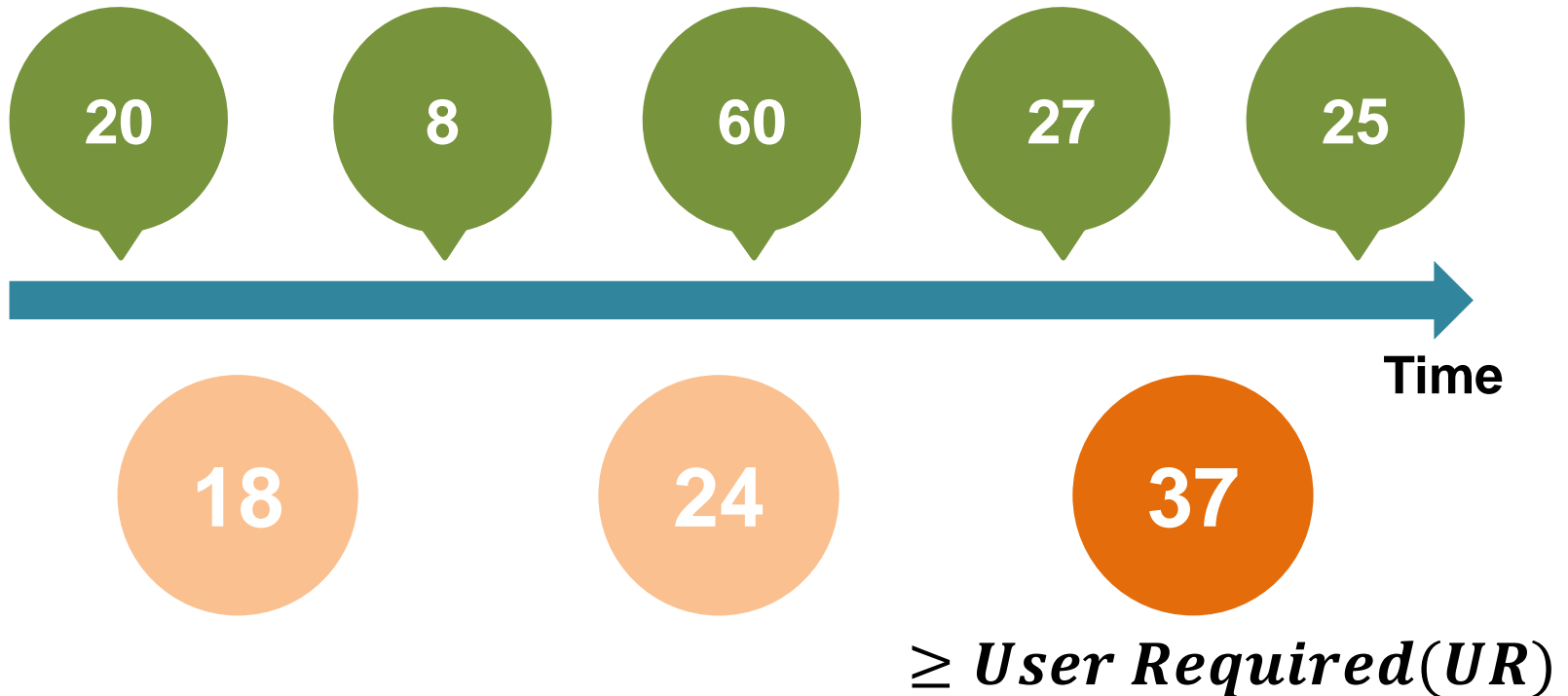


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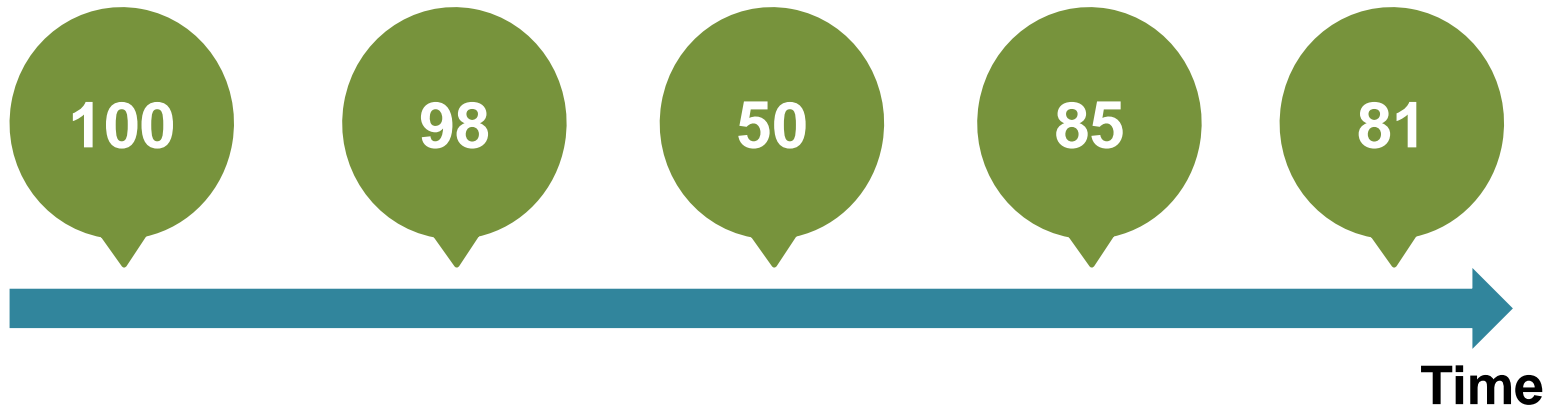


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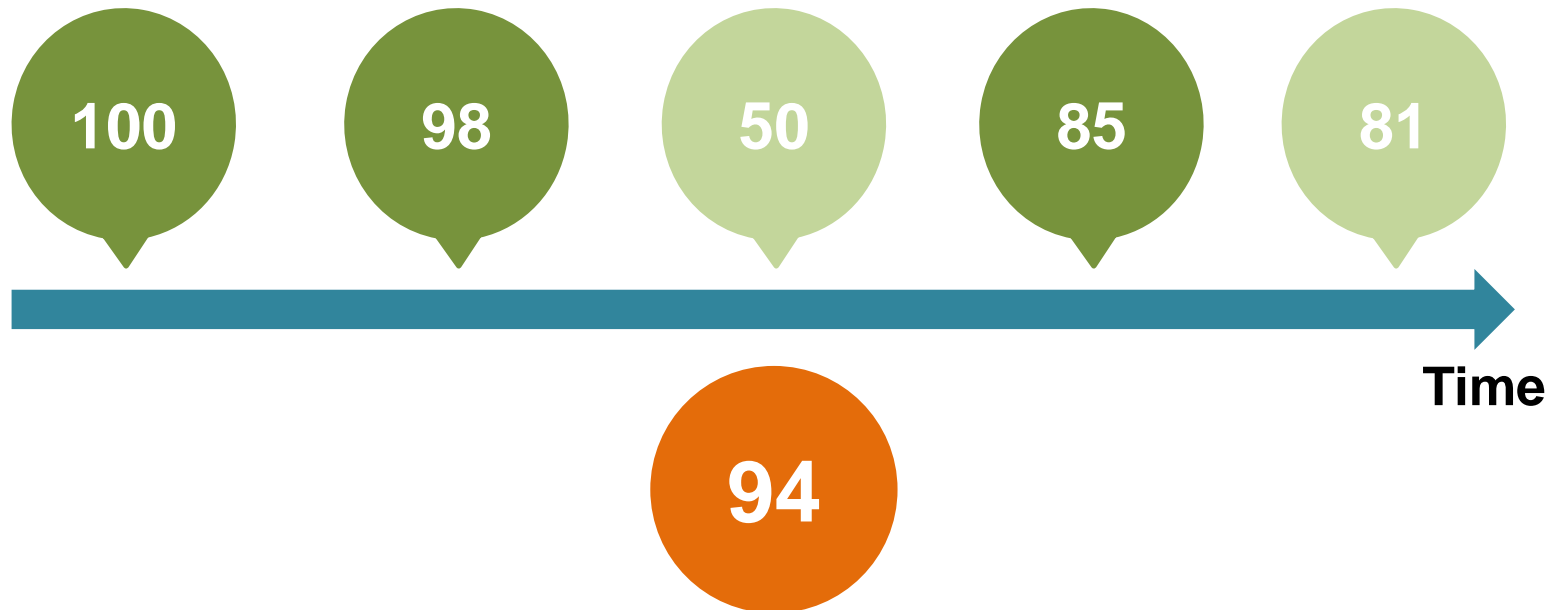


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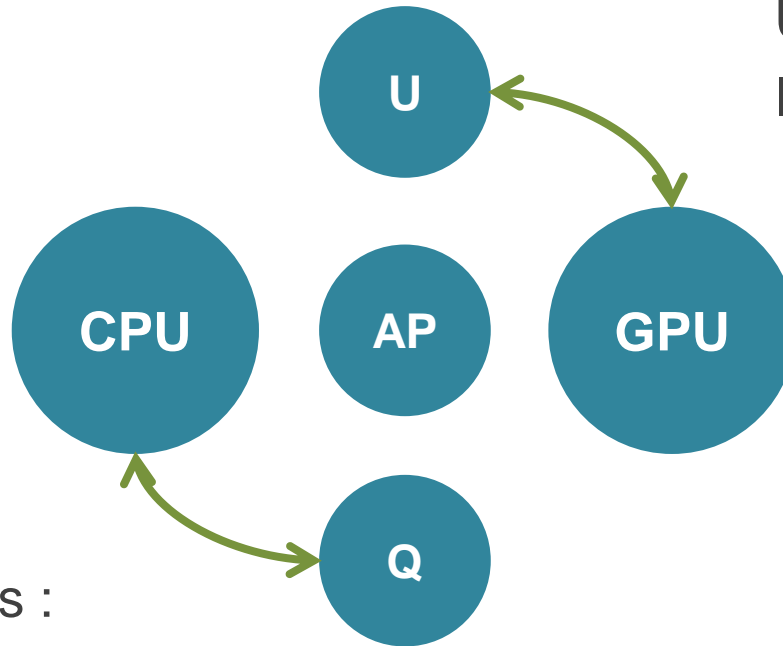
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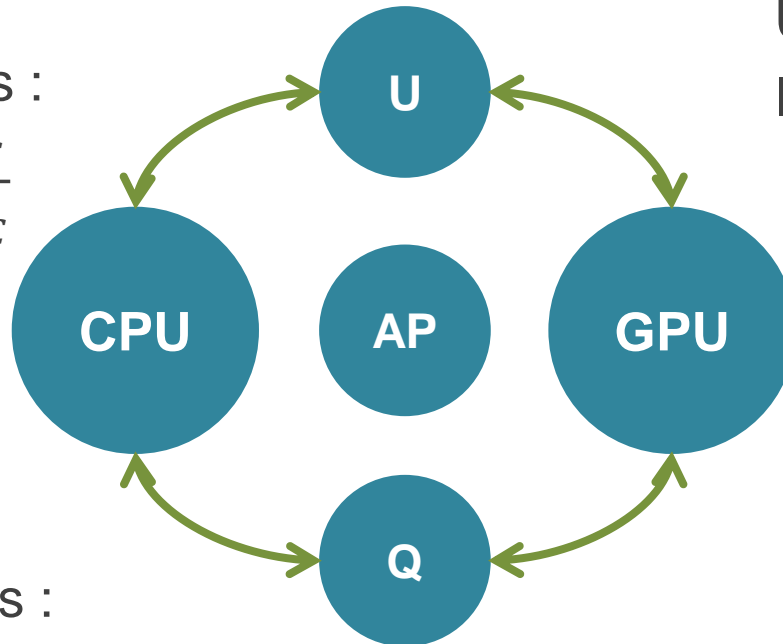
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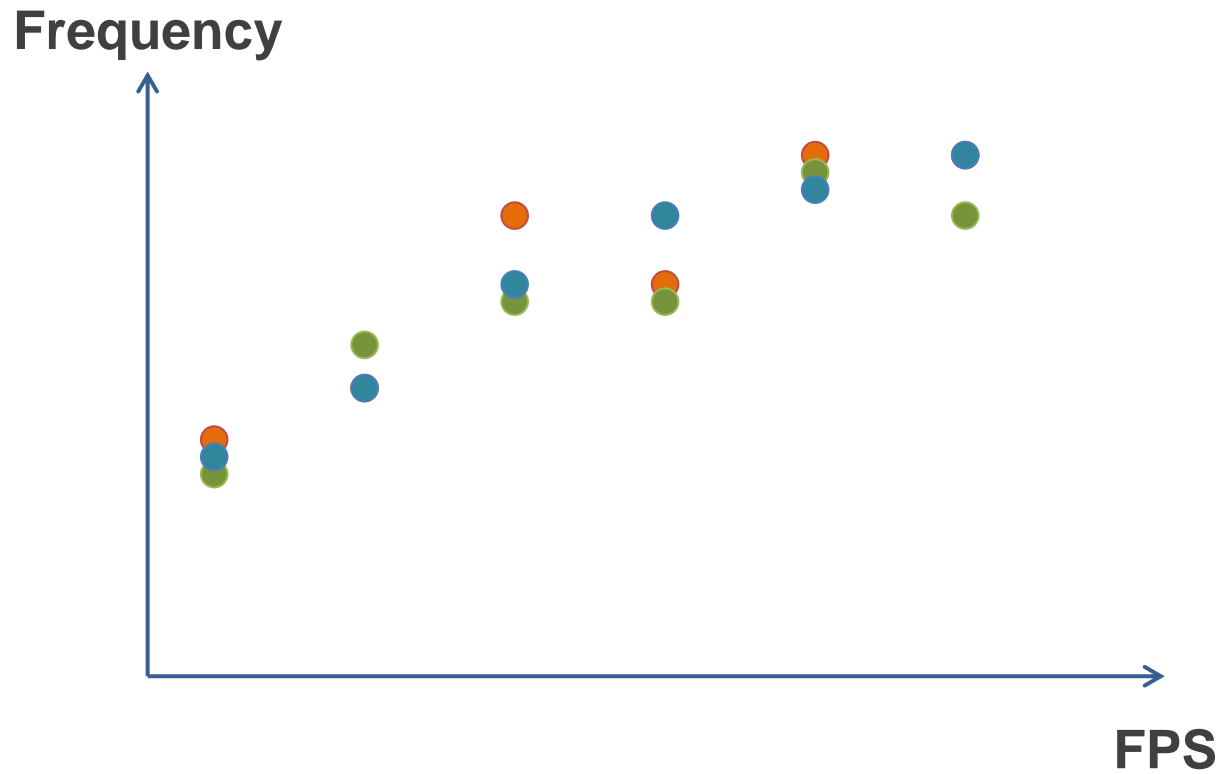
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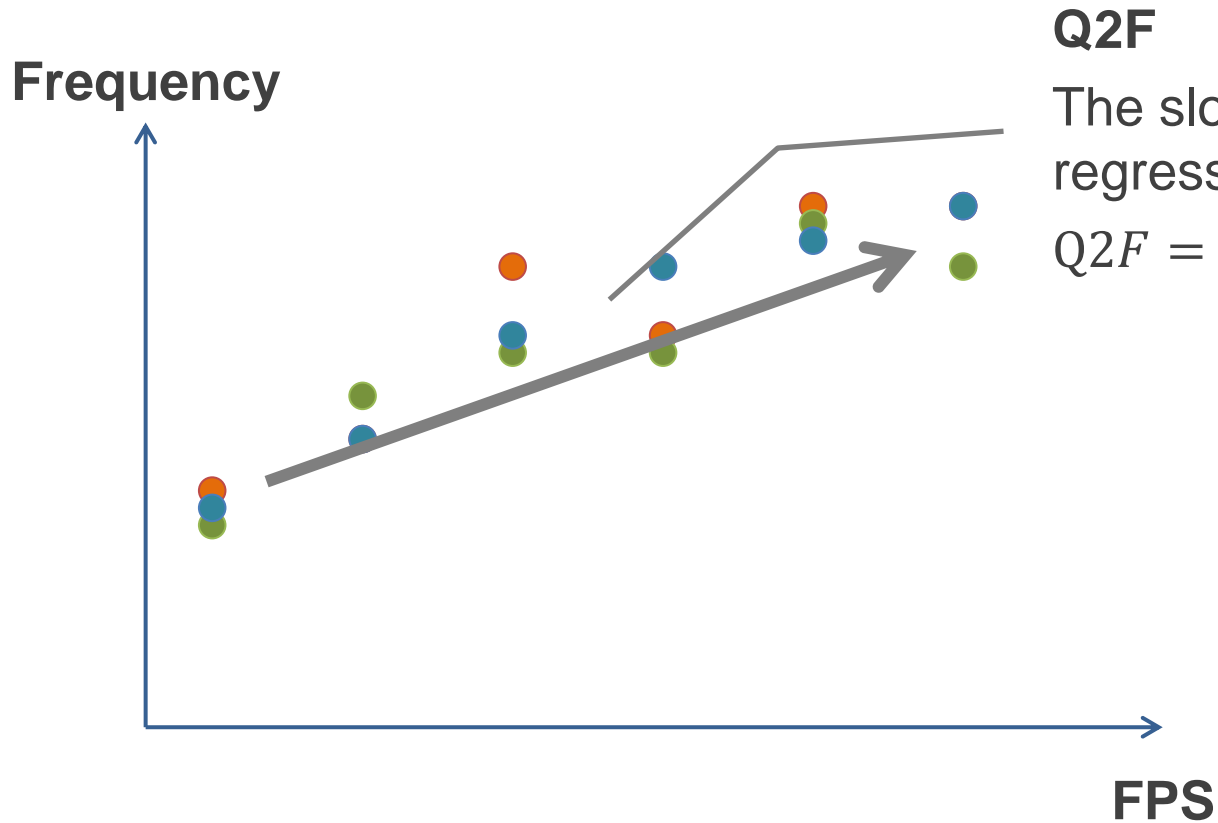
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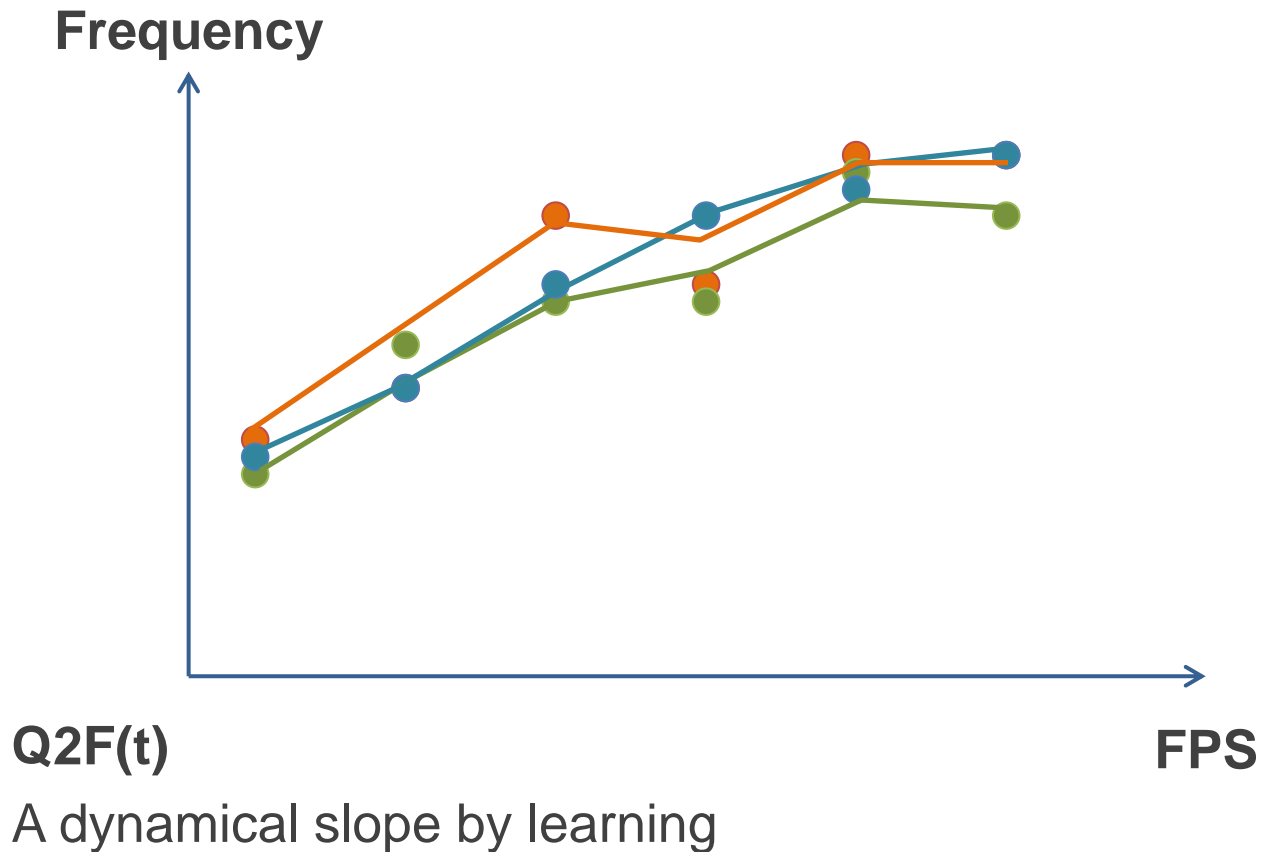
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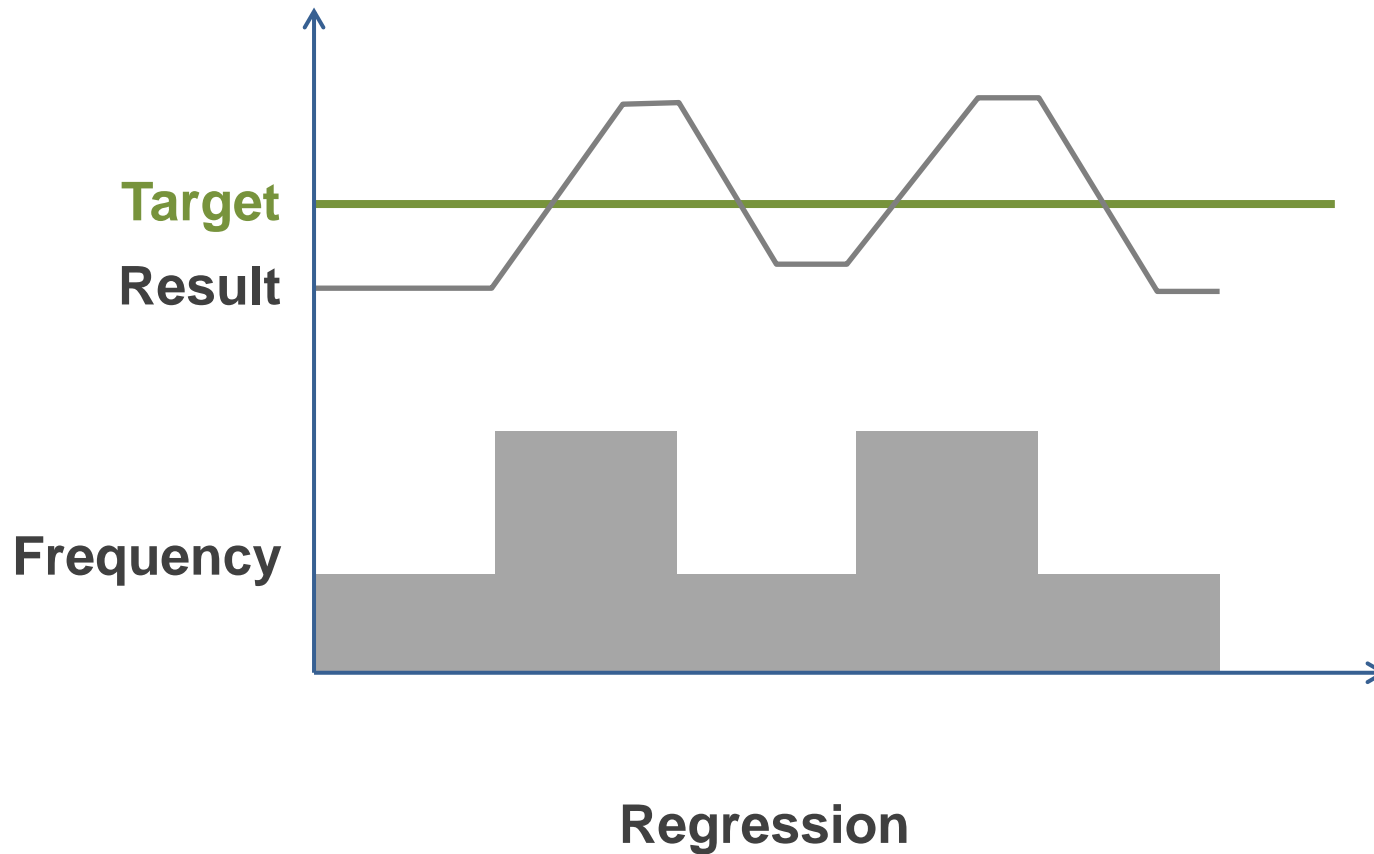
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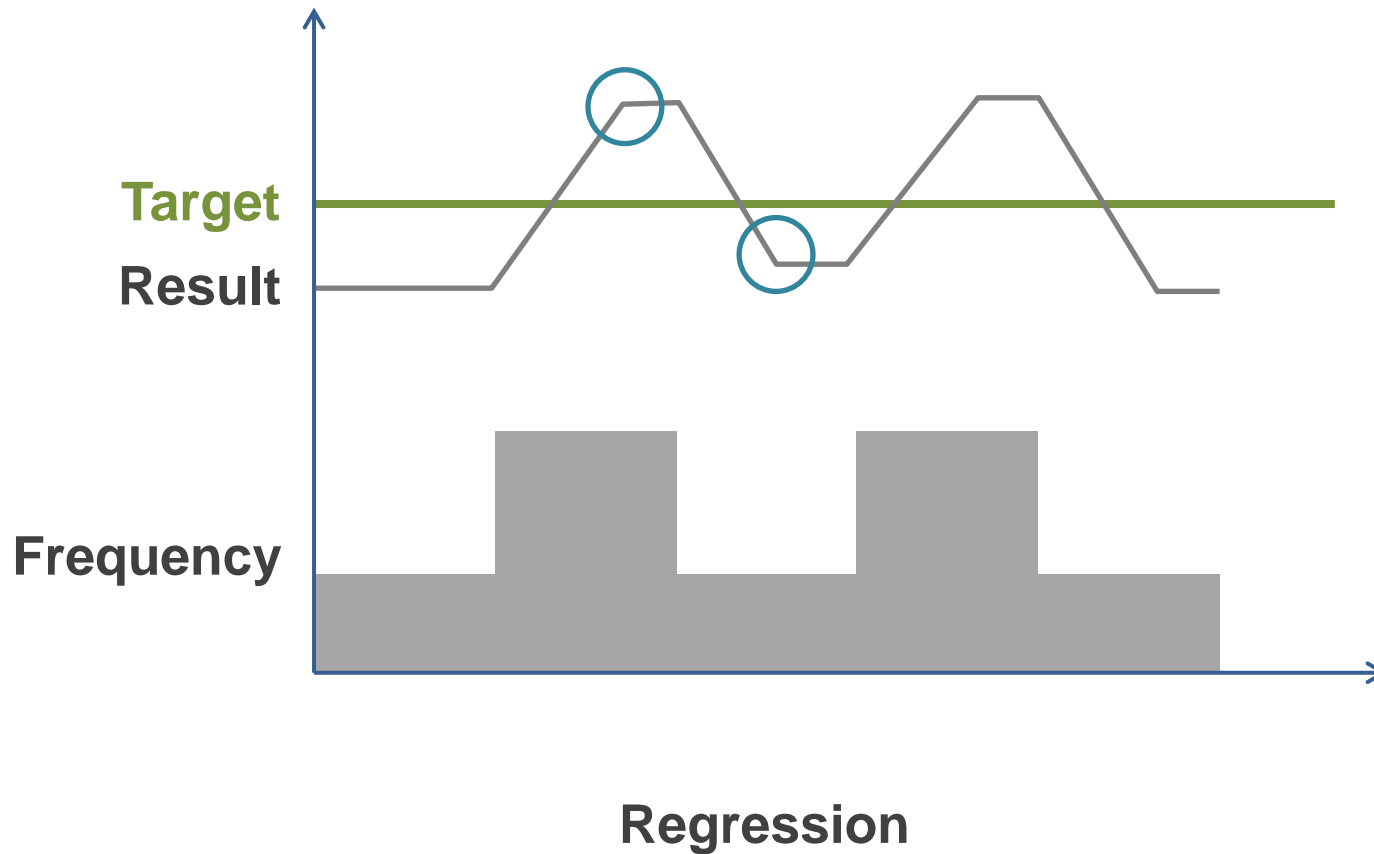
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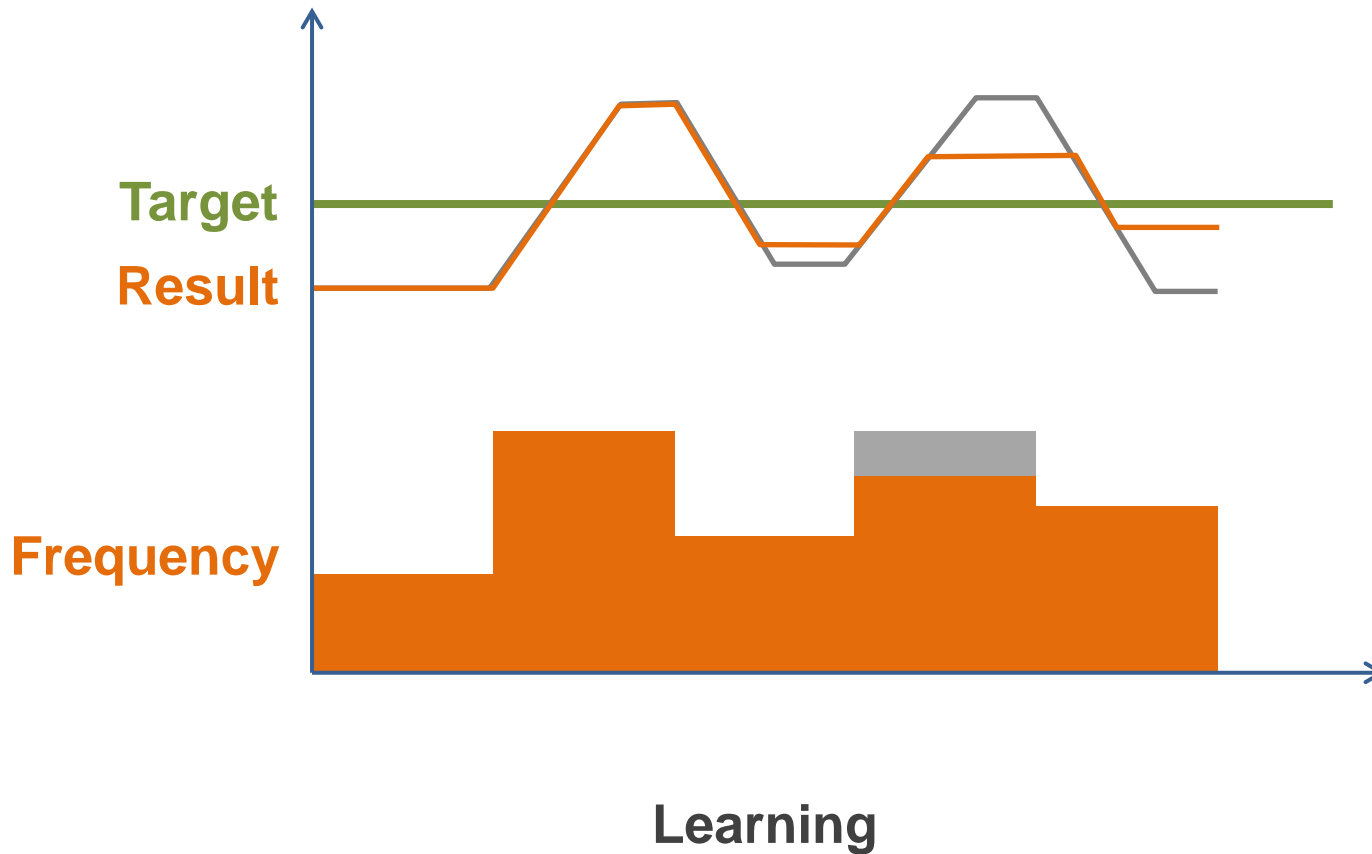
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Coef_{exp}

The expected
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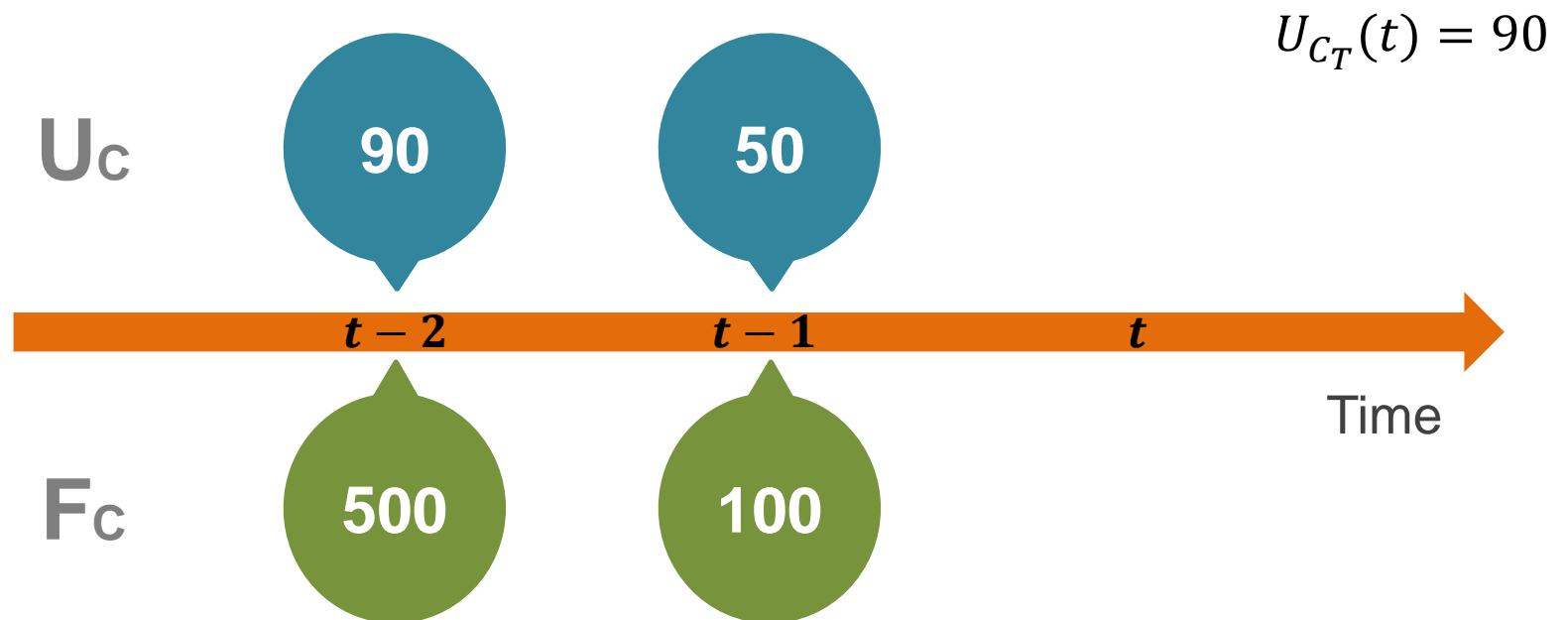
R(t)

Learning rate.

LEARNING

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Example of learning

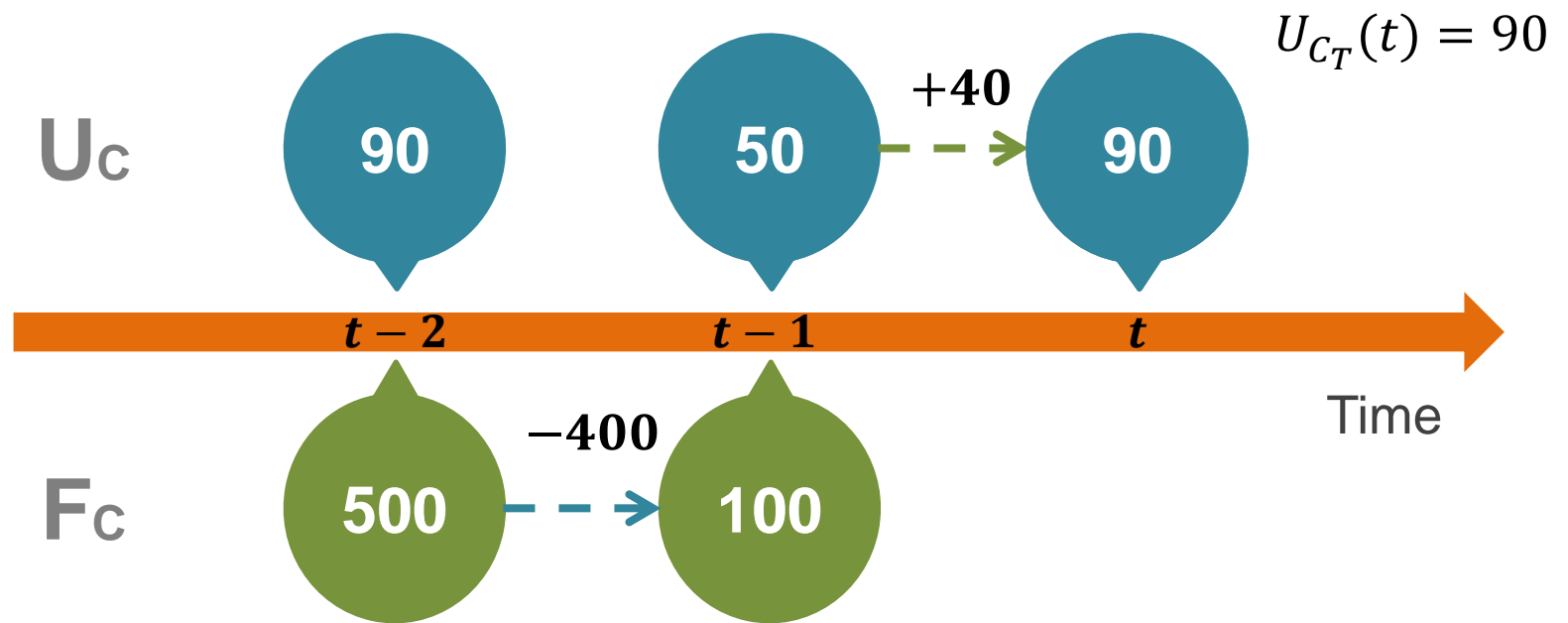


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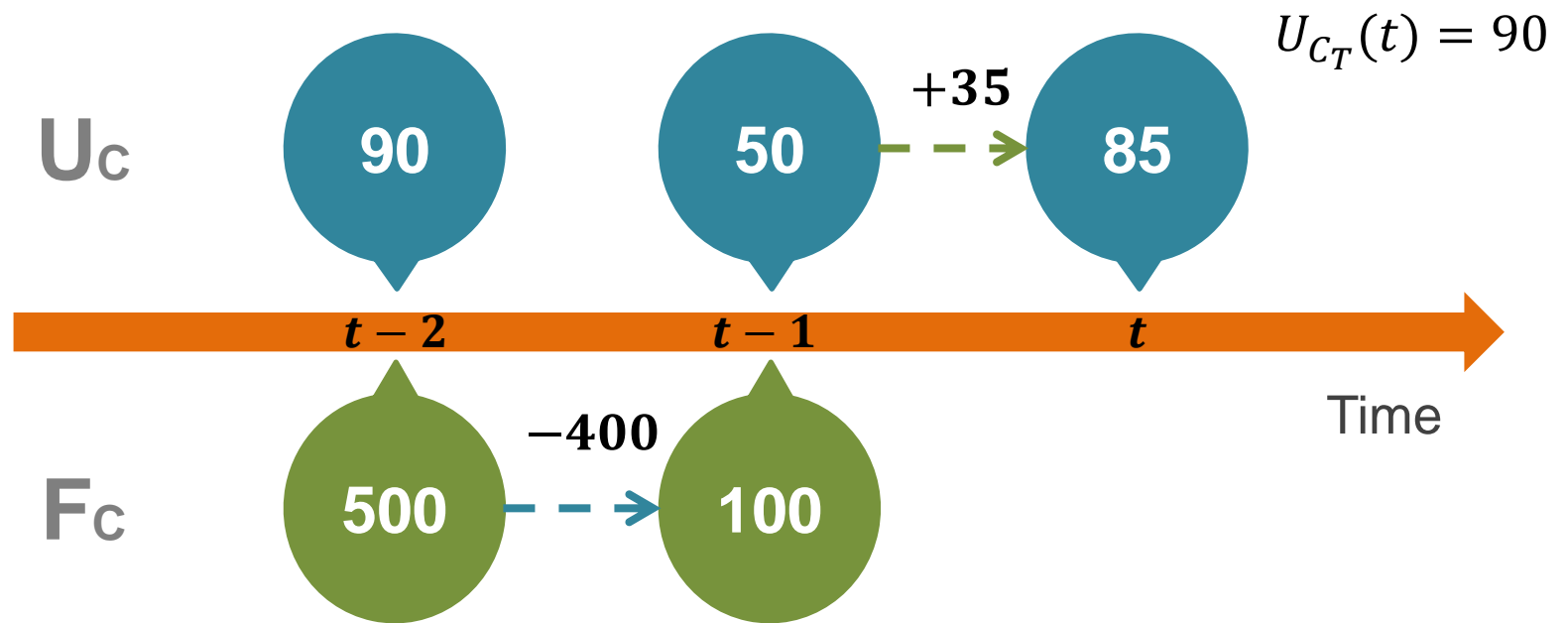
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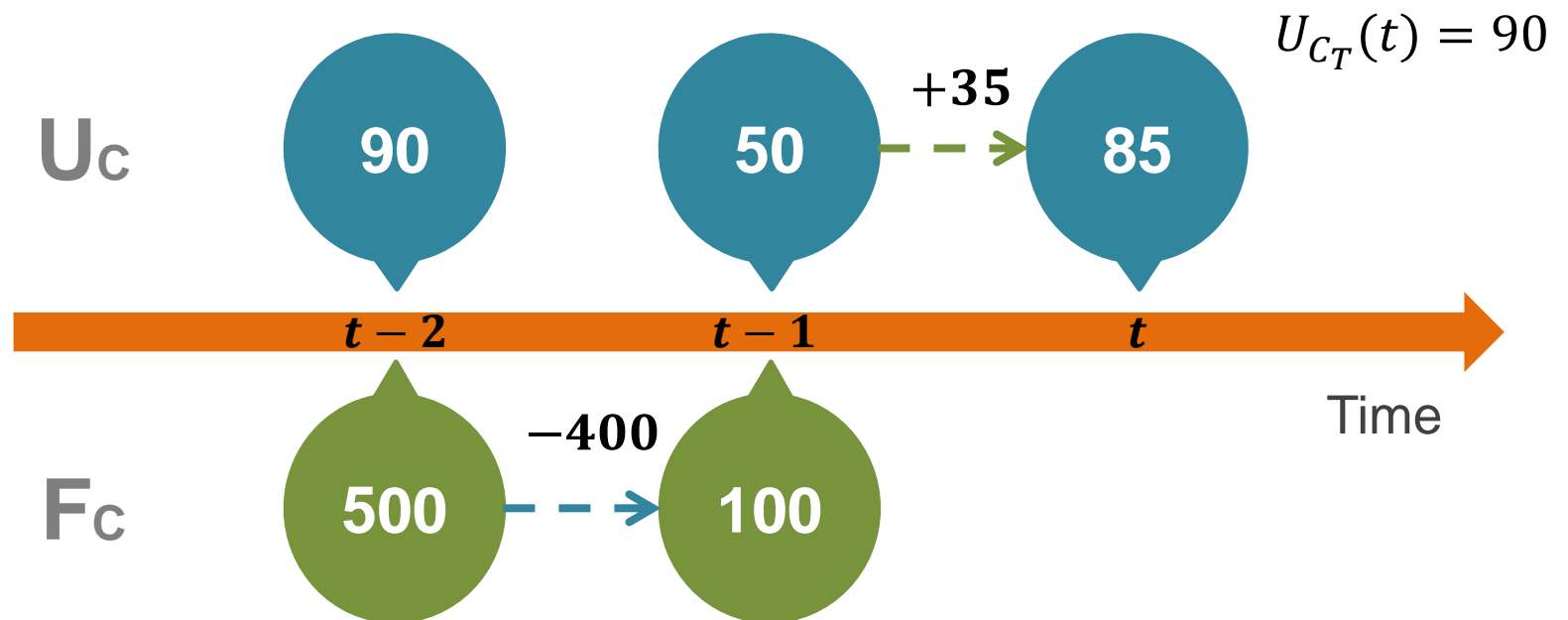
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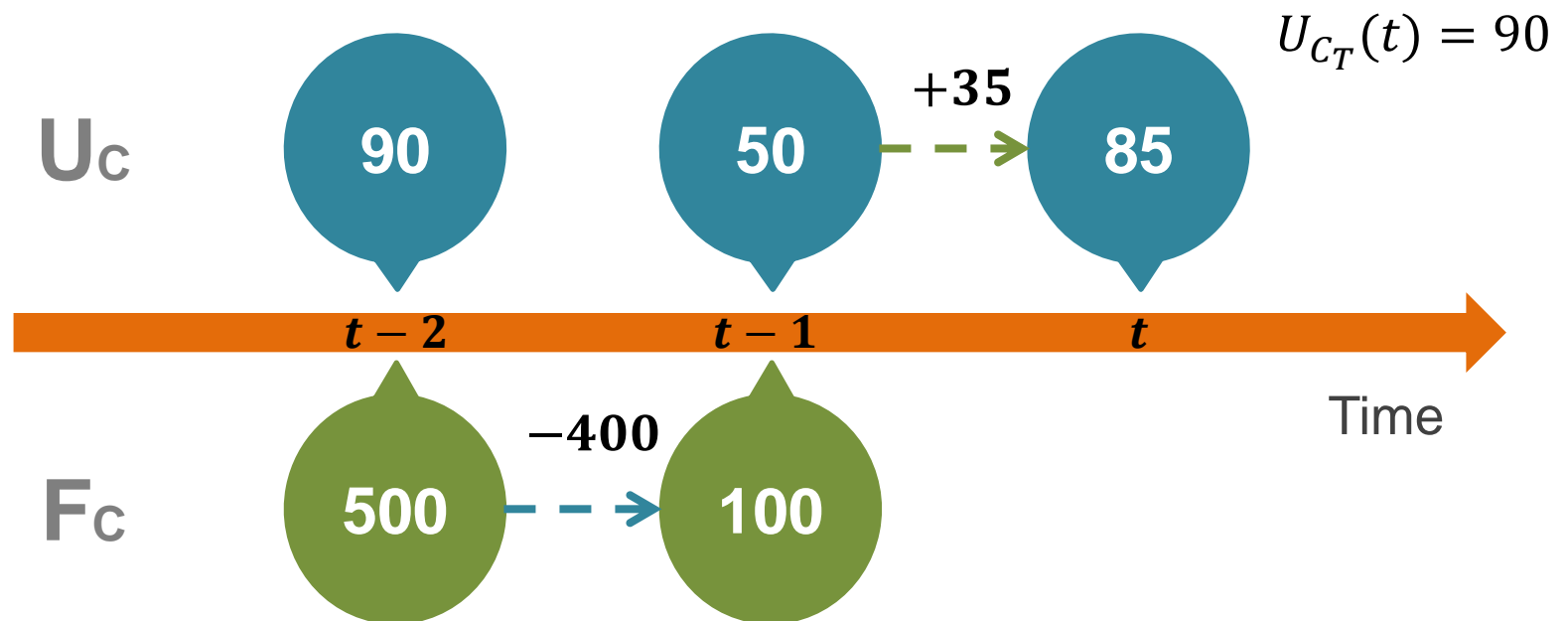
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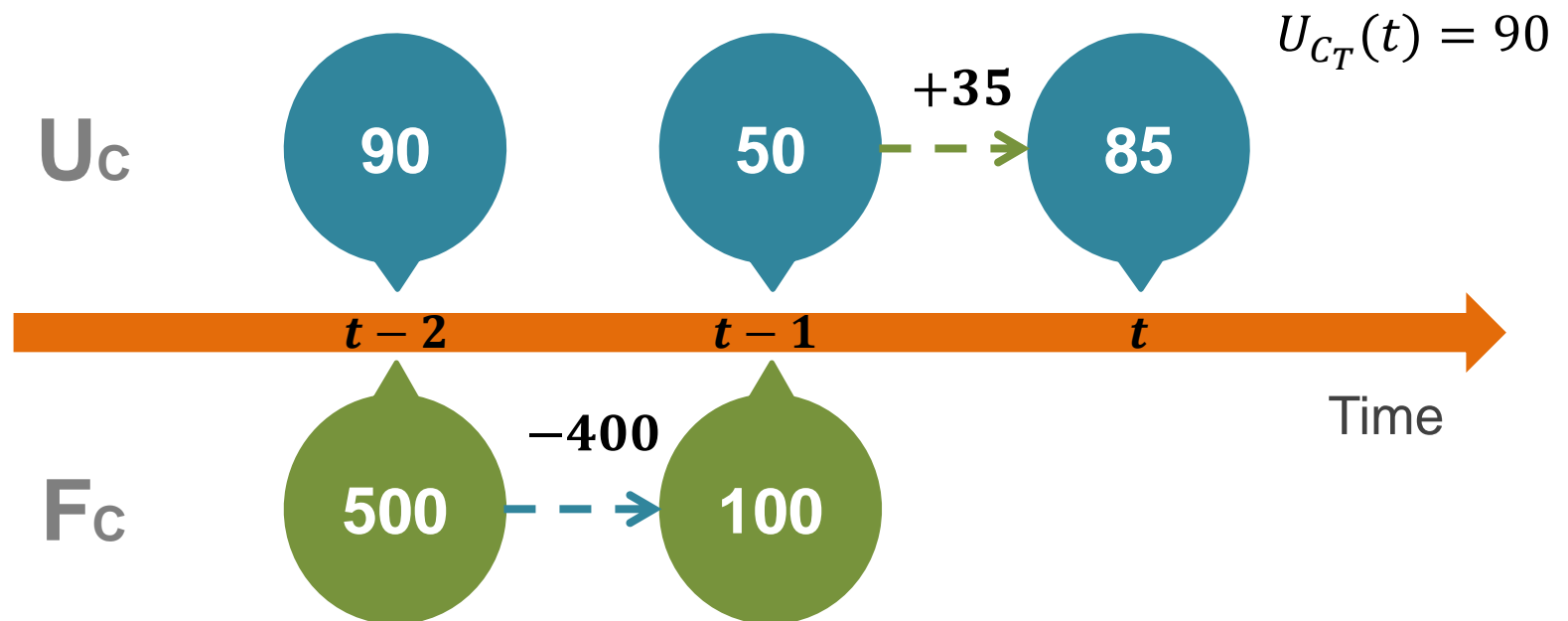
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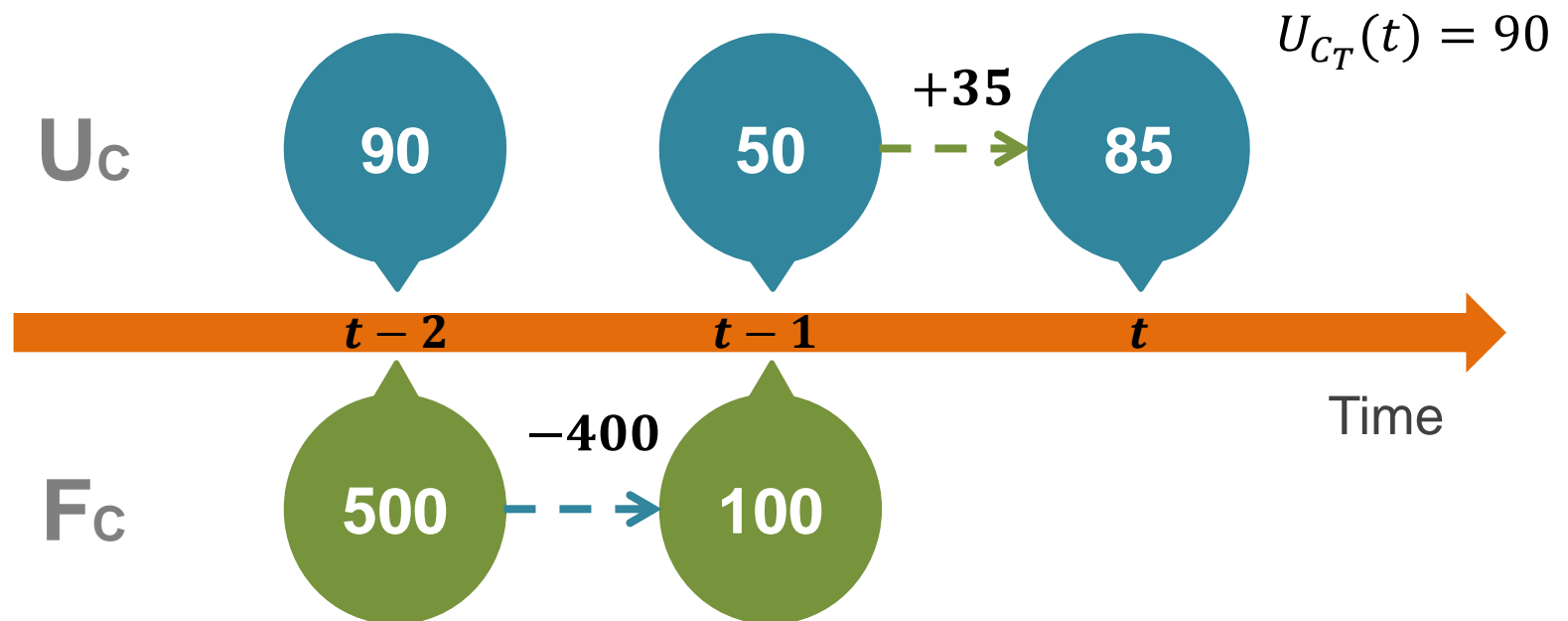
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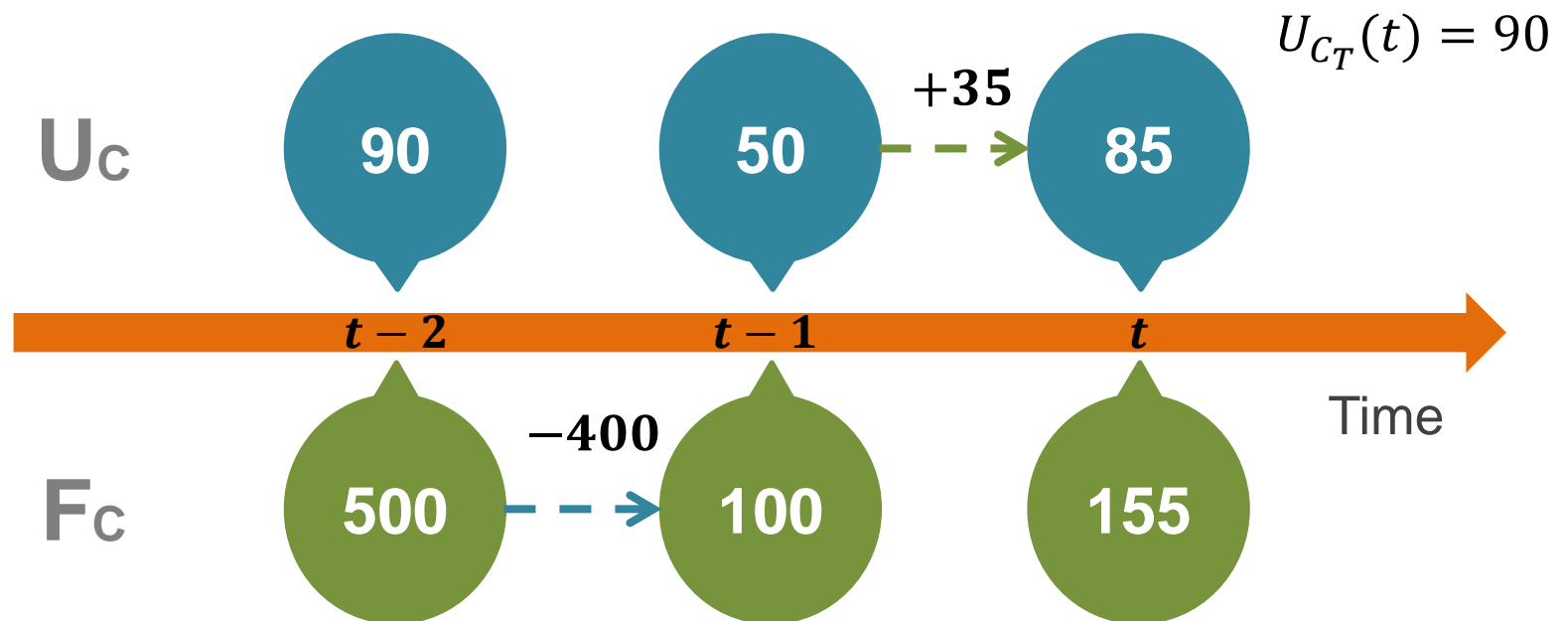
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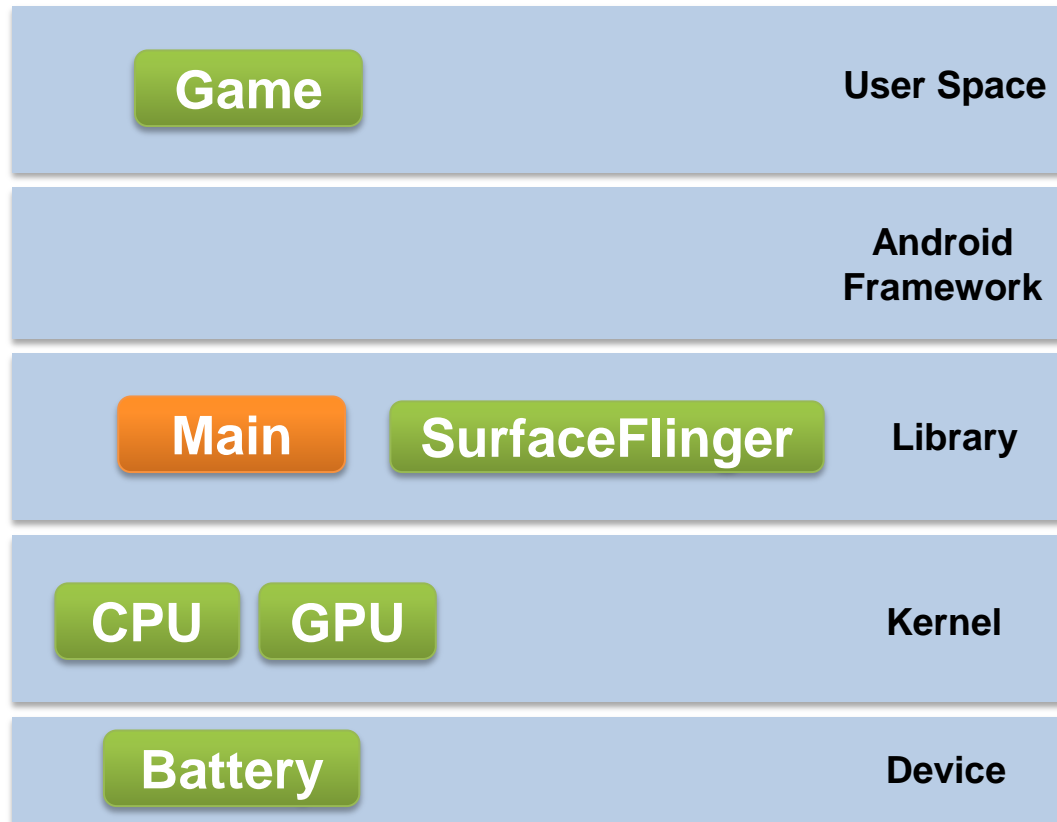


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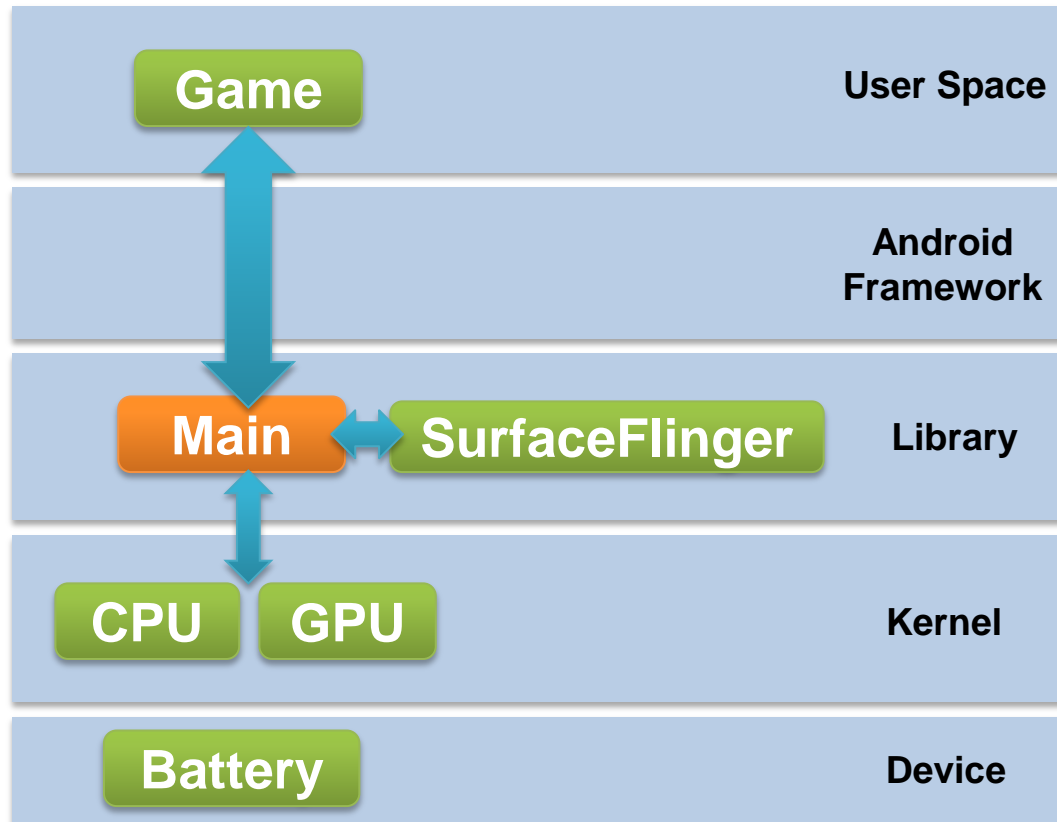
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IMPLEMENTATION



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EXPERIMENT

Platform : Google NEXUS 7



System

Android 4.2.2



Kernel

3.1.10



CPU

Quad-Core Cortex A9 1.2GHz



GPU

ULP GeForce 416MHz

EXPERIMENT

Test Items : 3 Games



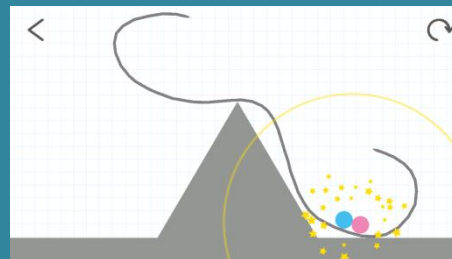
Break Bricks

Breakout-style
games



ASPHALT 8

Car racing game

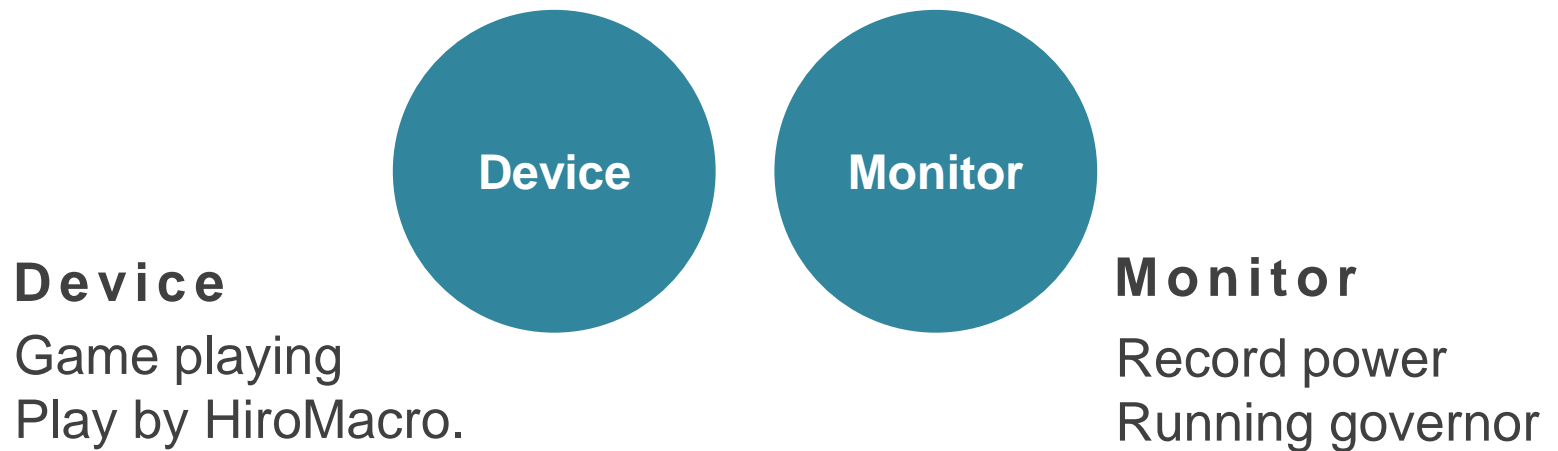


Brain Dots

Puzzling and
drawing

EXPERIMENT

Environment : Testing Methodology

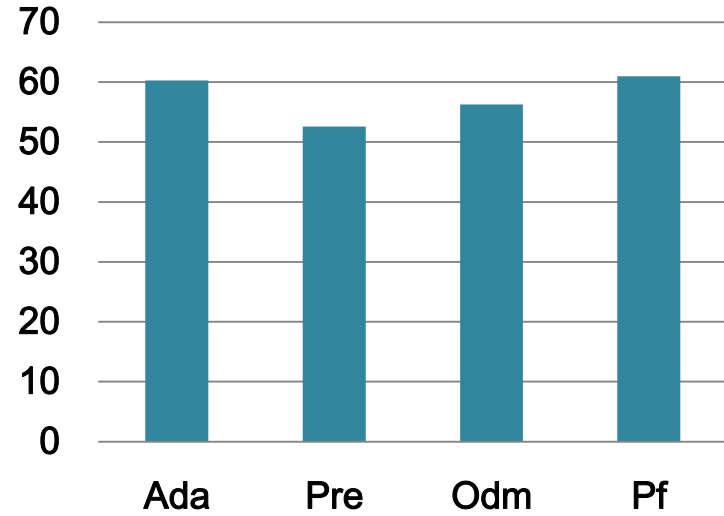
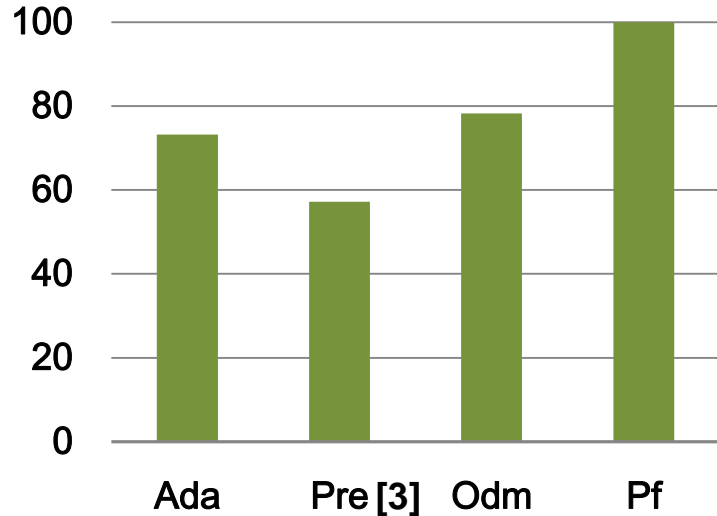


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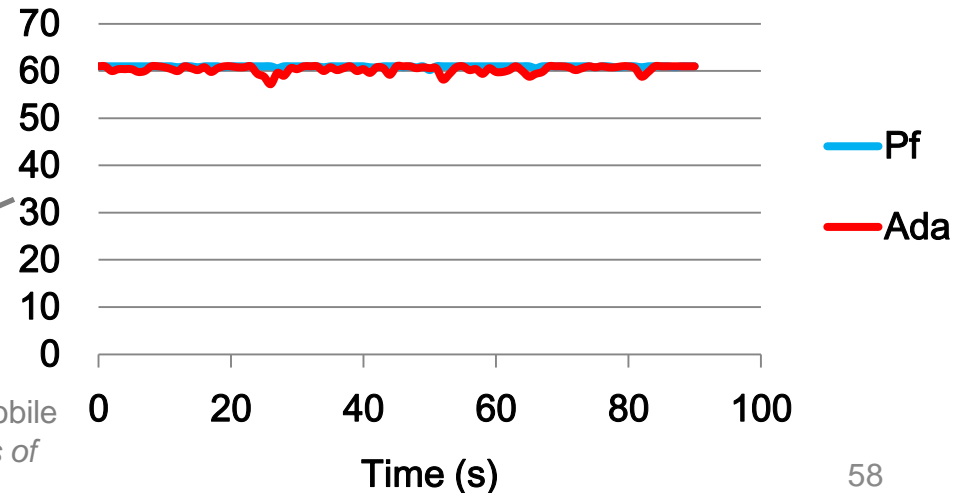
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Normalized Average Power

Average FPS

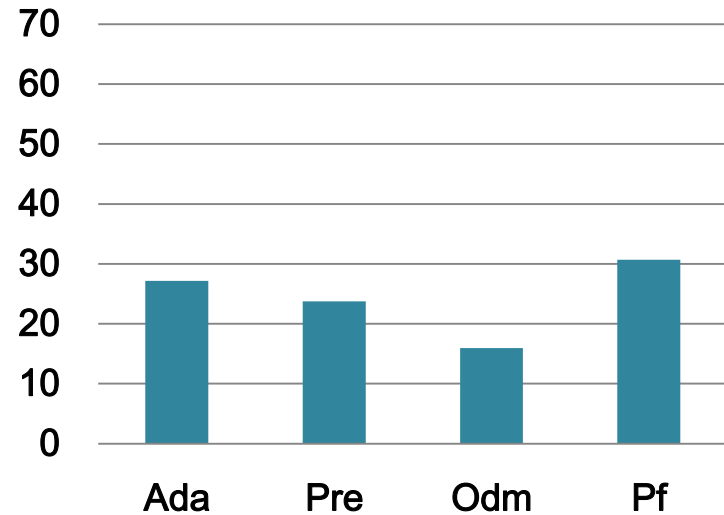
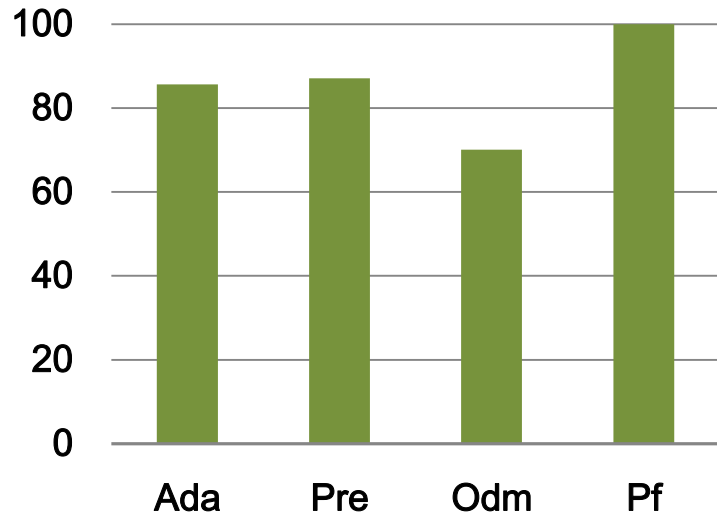
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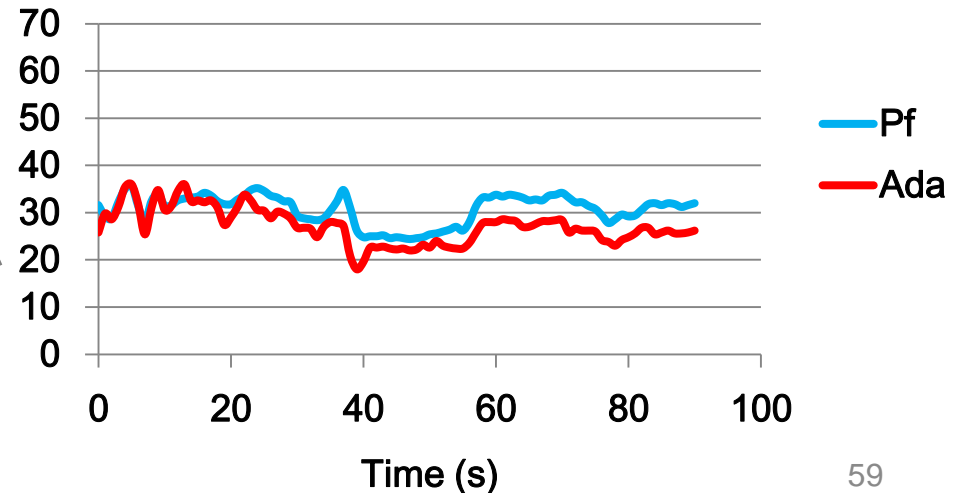
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Results : ASPHALT 8



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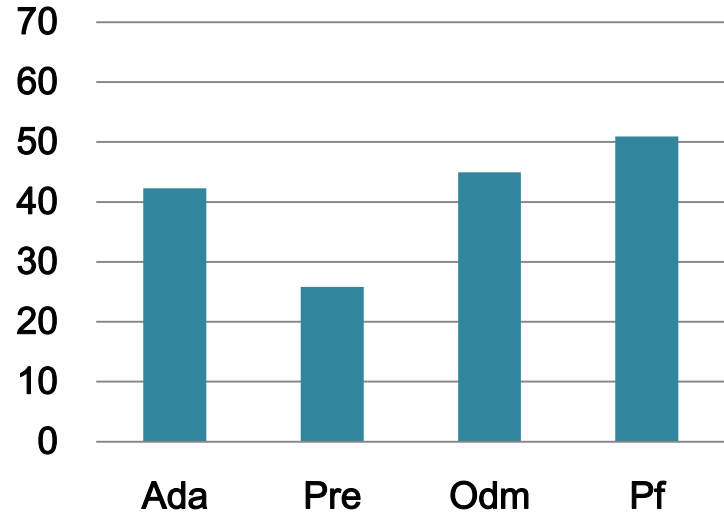
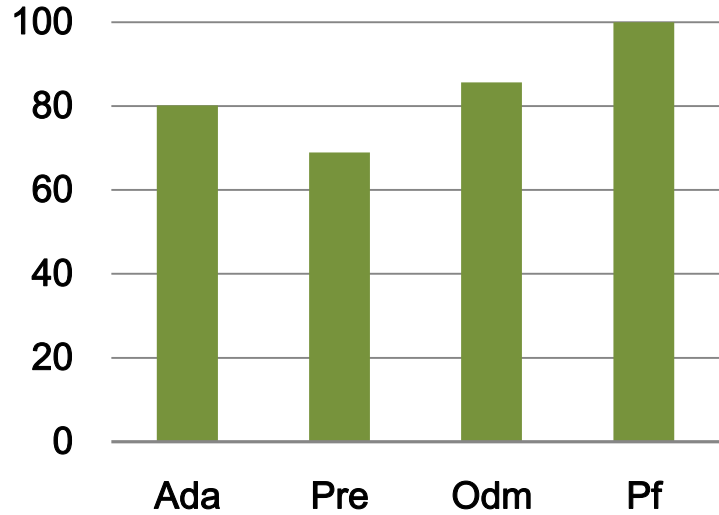
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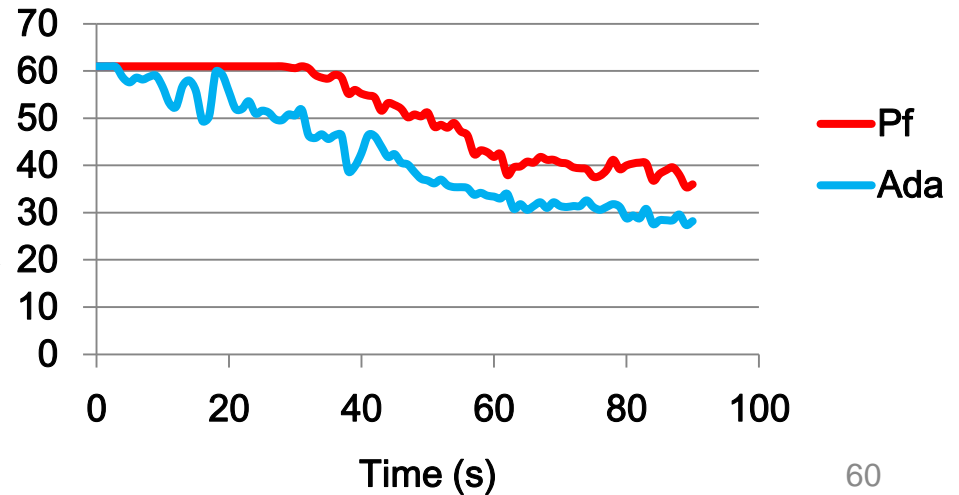
EXPERIMENT

Results : Brain Dots



Normalized Average Power

Average FPS



FPS Fluctuation

CONCLUSION

- Power saving governor with quality of user experience
- GPU & CPU frequencies scaling for mobile games
- Adaptive online frequency governor

THANK YOU



Q & A