

Concurrent Programming Models

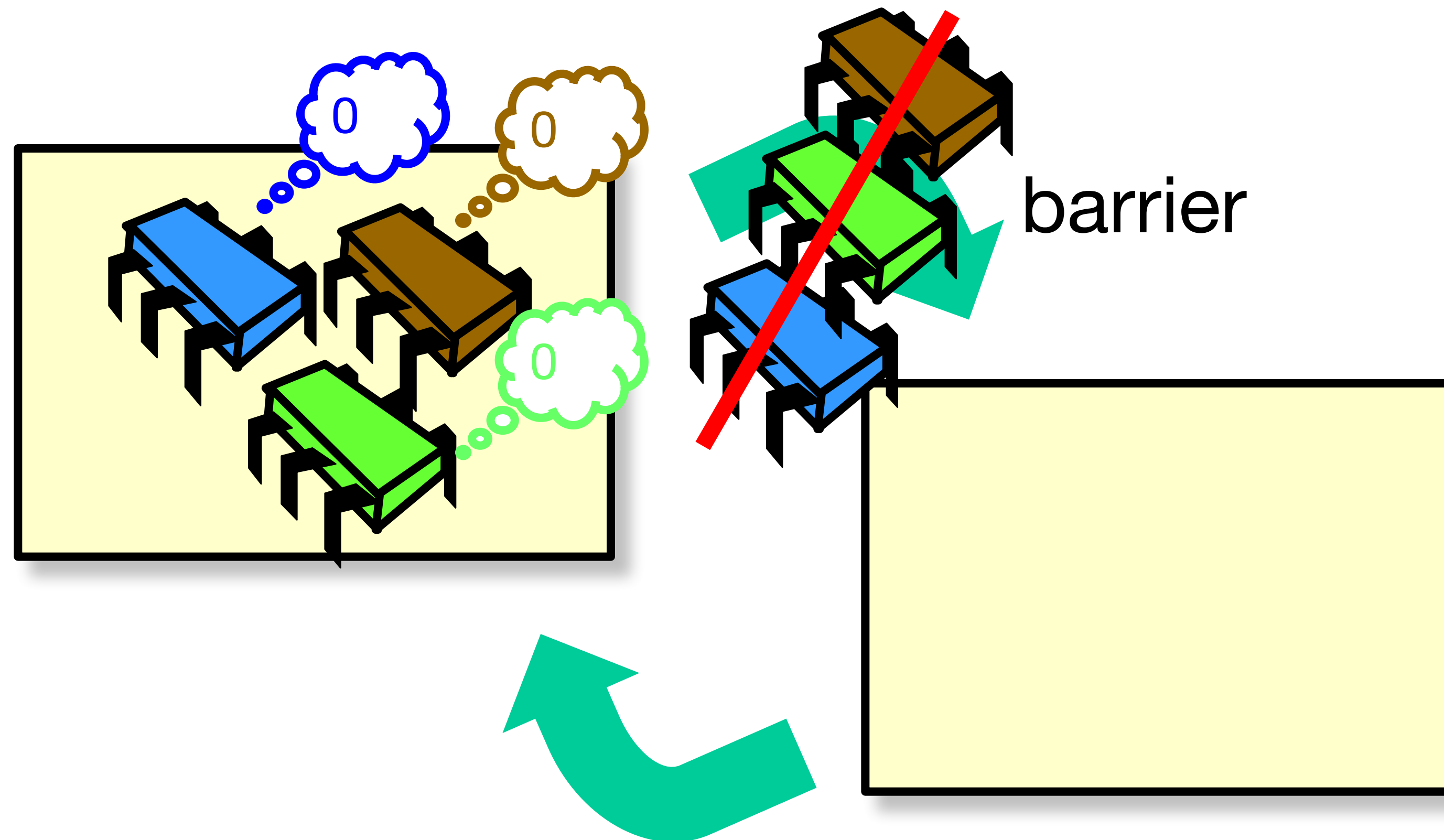
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Concurrent & Distributed Systems

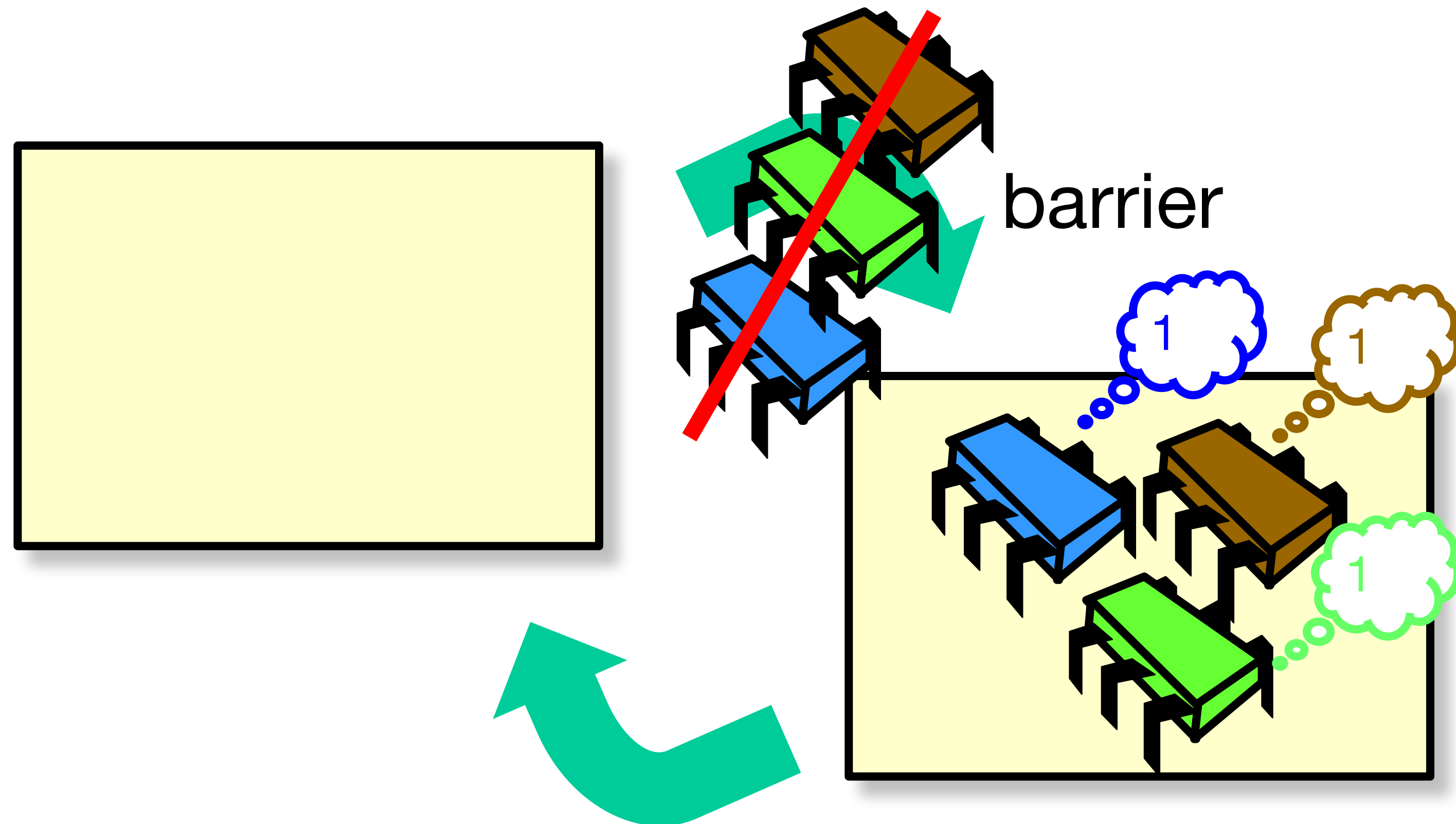


*With material from Herlihy &
Shavit, Art of Multiprocessor
Programming*

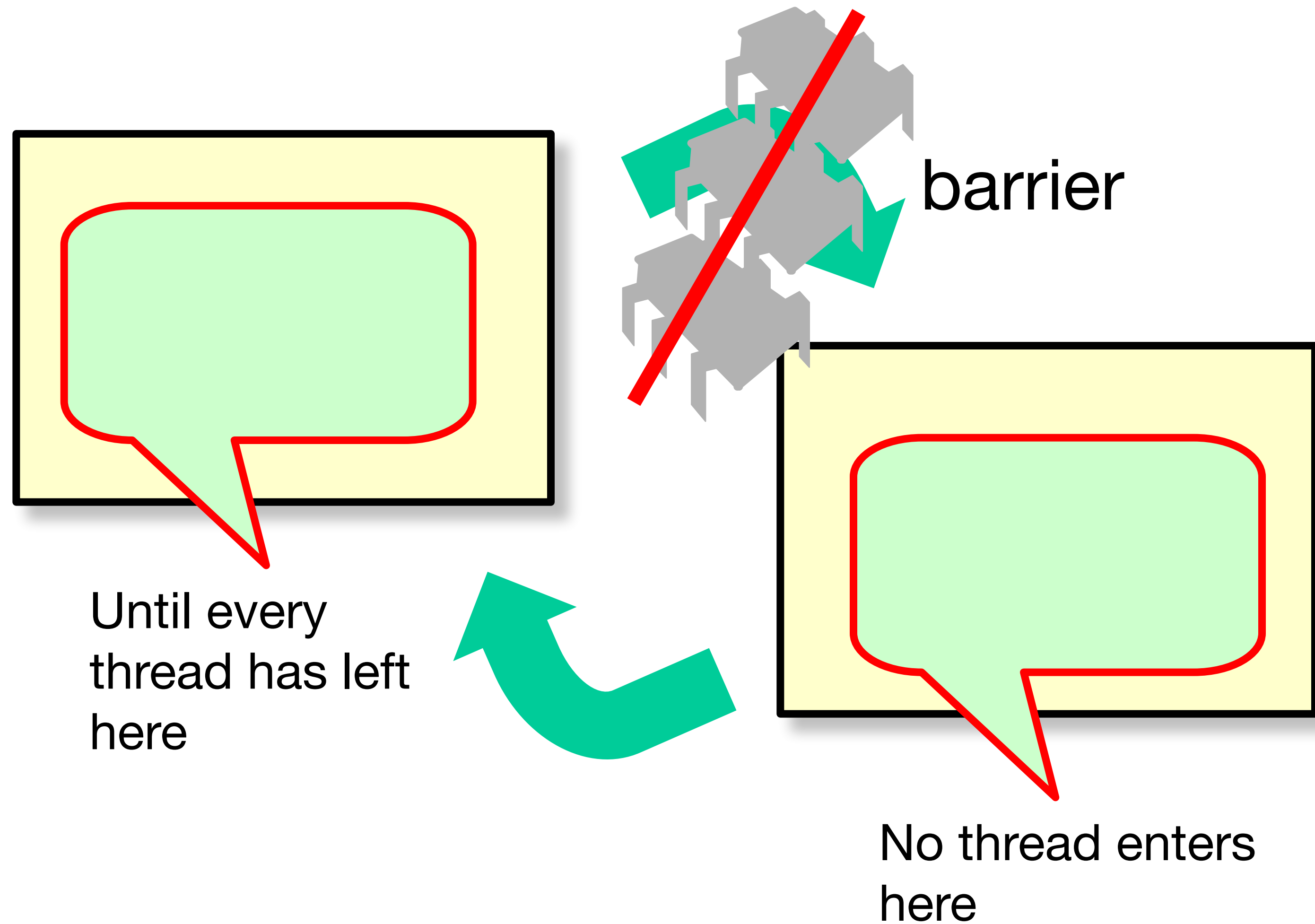
Barrier Synchronization



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Combining Tree Barrier

- No sequential bottleneck
 - Parallel `getAndDecrement()` calls
- Low memory contention
 - Same reason
- Cache behavior
 - Local spinning on bus-based architecture
 - Not so good for non-uniform memory access architectures (NUMA) - common for large multiprocessor systems

So...How will we make use of multicores?

Back to Amdahl's Law:

$$\text{Speedup} = 1/(\text{ParallelPart}/N + \text{SequentialPart})$$

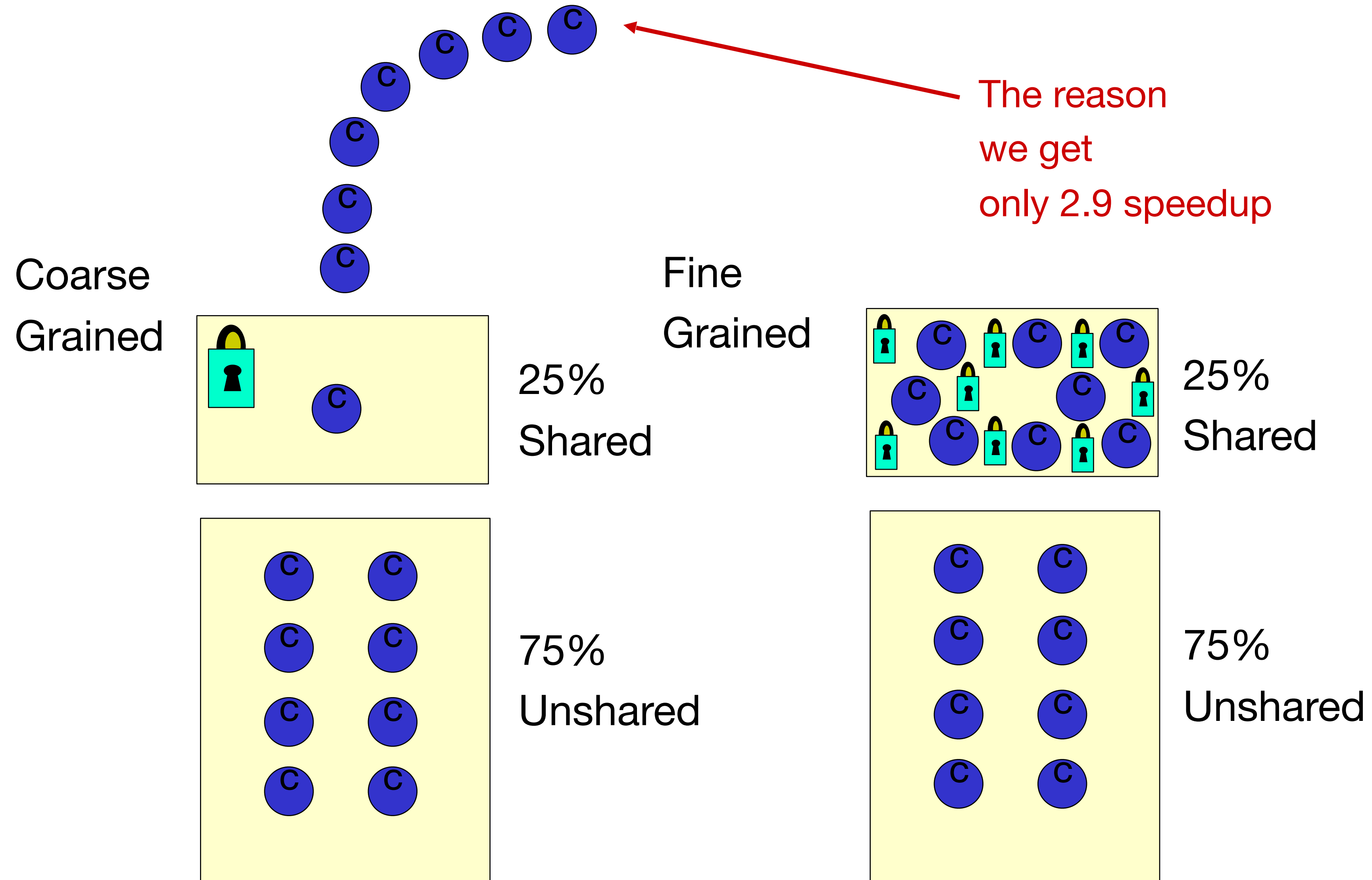
Pay for $N = 8$ cores

$$\text{SequentialPart} = 25\%$$

Speedup = only 2.9 times!

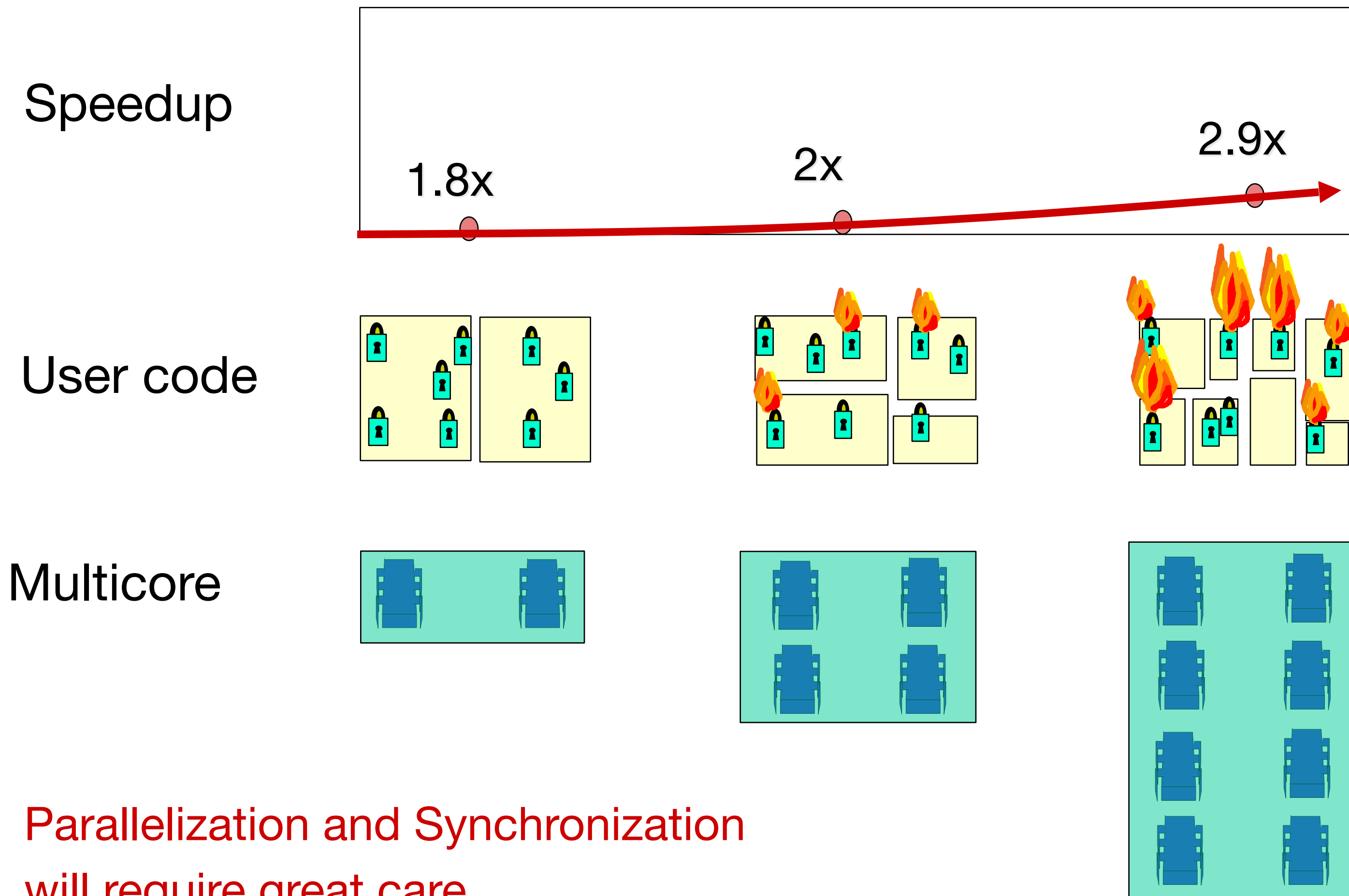
Must parallelize applications on a very fine grain!

Need Fine-Grained Locking



The reason we get only 2.9 speedup

Real-World Scaling Process



Parallelization and Synchronization
will require great care...

Today

- How do we increase performance with parallelism?
- How do we split up our program into concurrent sections effectively?
- Different models for parallel computation
- Reading: H&S 16.1, 16.2

Designing for Performance

- What factors can impact performance?
 - Limits imposed by physics
 - Limits imposed by technology
 - Limits imposed by economics
- These limits can force us to make tradeoffs
 - Smaller chips are faster, but harder to dissipate heat
 - Need to serve X clients, can only spend Y on CPUs

Performance Metrics

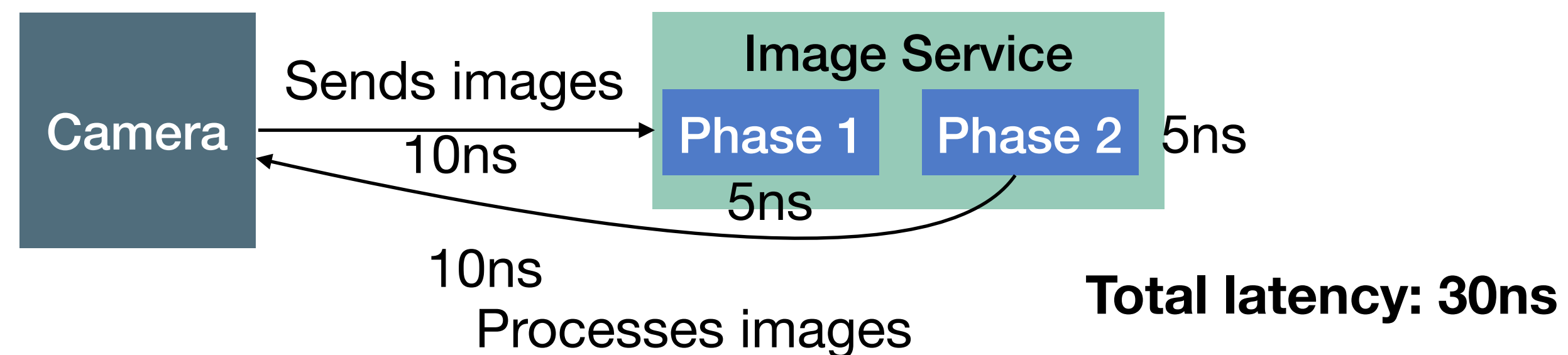
- Capacity
 - Consistent measure of a service's size or amount of resources
- Utilization
 - Percentage of that resource used for a workload
- Latency
 - How long it takes an input to propagate through a system and generate an output
- Throughput
 - Work done per time

} Adjusted by buying
more resources

} Adjusted by thinking
hard about the problem

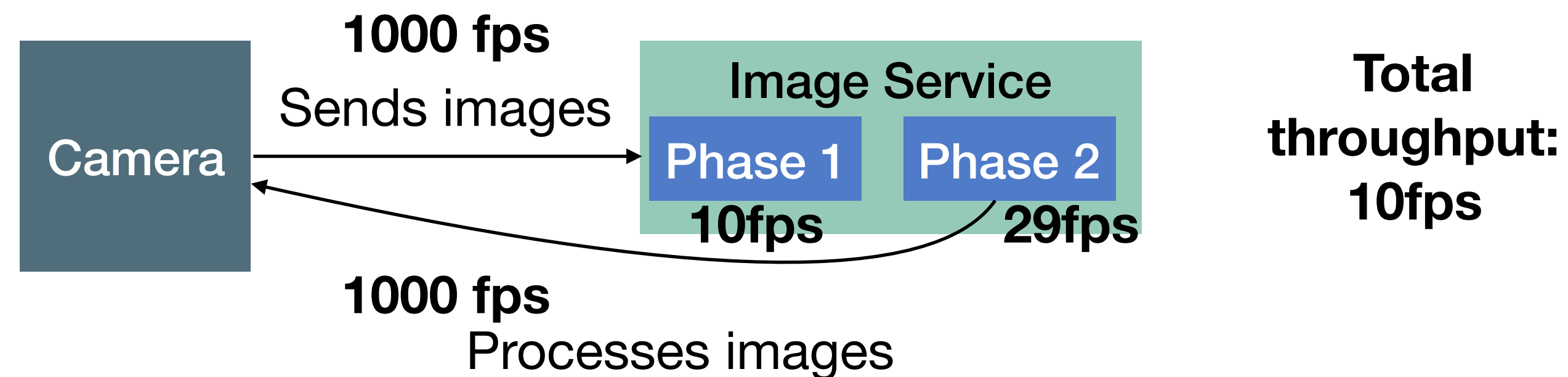
Latency

- In client/server model, latency is simply: time between client sending request and receiving response
- What contributes to latency?
 - Latency sending the message
 - Latency processing the message
 - Latency sending the response
- Adding pipelined components -> latency is cumulative



Throughput

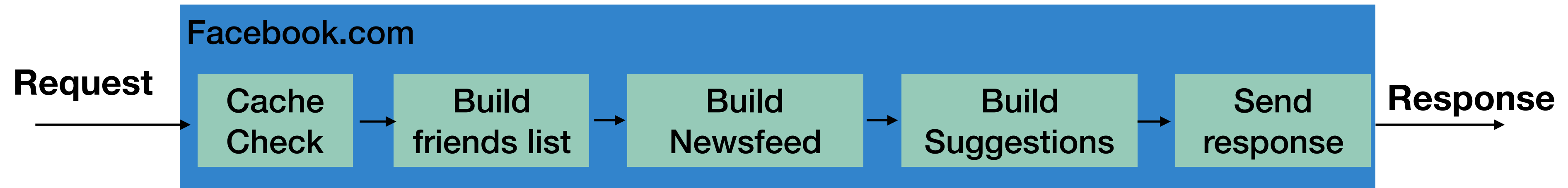
- Measure of the rate of useful work done for a given workload
- Example:
 - Throughput is camera frames processed/second
 - When adding multiple pipelined components -> throughput is the minimum value



Designing for Performance

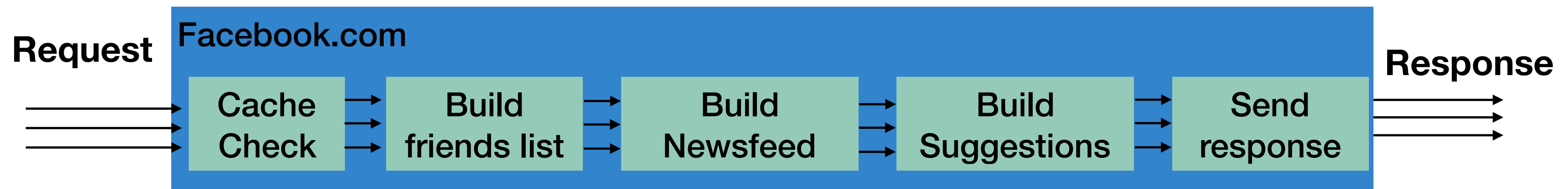
- Measure system to find which aspect of performance is lacking (throughput or latency)
- Measure each component to identify bottleneck
- Identify if fixing that bottleneck will realistically improve system performance
- Measure improvement
- Repeat

Improving Throughput



Improving Throughput

- Introduce concurrency into our pipeline
- Each stage runs in its own thread (or many threads, perhaps)
- If a stage completes its task, it can start processing the next request right away
- E.g. our system will process multiple requests at the same time



Reducing Latency

- Often more challenging than increasing throughput
- Examples:
 - Physical - Speed of light (network transmissions over long distances)
 - Algorithmic - Looking up an item in a hash table is limited by hash function
 - Economic - Adding more RAM gets expensive

Latency & Stock Trading

- Buy low/sell high
- Most of skill is in knowing what a stock will do **before** your competitors



Latency & Stock Trading

- Algorithmic trading -> computer programs look at various factors, place trades automatically
- Example:
 - President Trump tweets positively about a company -> price goes up
 - Write a script to check twitter for company mentions, immediately buy/sell stock
 - Get in and out before it hits CNN!
 - <https://www.npr.org/sections/money/2017/04/07/522897876/meet-botus-planet-money-s-stock-trading-twitter-bot>

Latency & Stock Trading

- This only works if you can make your trades **before** other people find out
- What if you set up this bot in Chicago, and I set one up in NYC?
- I would beat you to it, every time.

Latency & Stock Trading

- What is the speed of light?
 - ~300,000 km/sec
- How fast does your CPU execute an instruction?
 - 0.33 nanoseconds (say, 3Ghz CPU)
- How far does light travel in 1 CPU cycle?
 - 10 cm
- How many instructions does your CPU execute in the time it takes light to travel from Chicago to NYC and back?
 - ~700 miles -> 7.4msec -> 22 million instructions
- Being in NYC would let me execute 22 million instructions in the time it took you to send your stock order to NYC and get a response!

Reducing Latency with \$\$\$\$

- People actually care a LOT about the latency between NYC and Chicago, because commodities are traded in Chicago and stocks are traded in NYC
- Changes to commodities prices (e.g. **ethanol**) can dramatically impact price of some stocks

Reducing Latency with \$\$\$\$

- It's not quite as simple as 700 miles \rightarrow 7.4msec
- There are streams, mountains, etc... more like 1,000 miles
- Light is refracted in a fiber optic cable is $\sim 31\%$ slower
- What do we do if money is no object?



Reducing Latency with Billions of Dollars



ORIGINAL CABLE
Technology
 Buried fiber-optic cable
Completion
 Mid-1980s
Path length
 ~ 1,000 miles
Round-trip time for data
14.5
 milliseconds and up
Approach
 Multiple routes followed the easiest rights-of-way—along rail lines. But that means time-sucking jogs and detours.

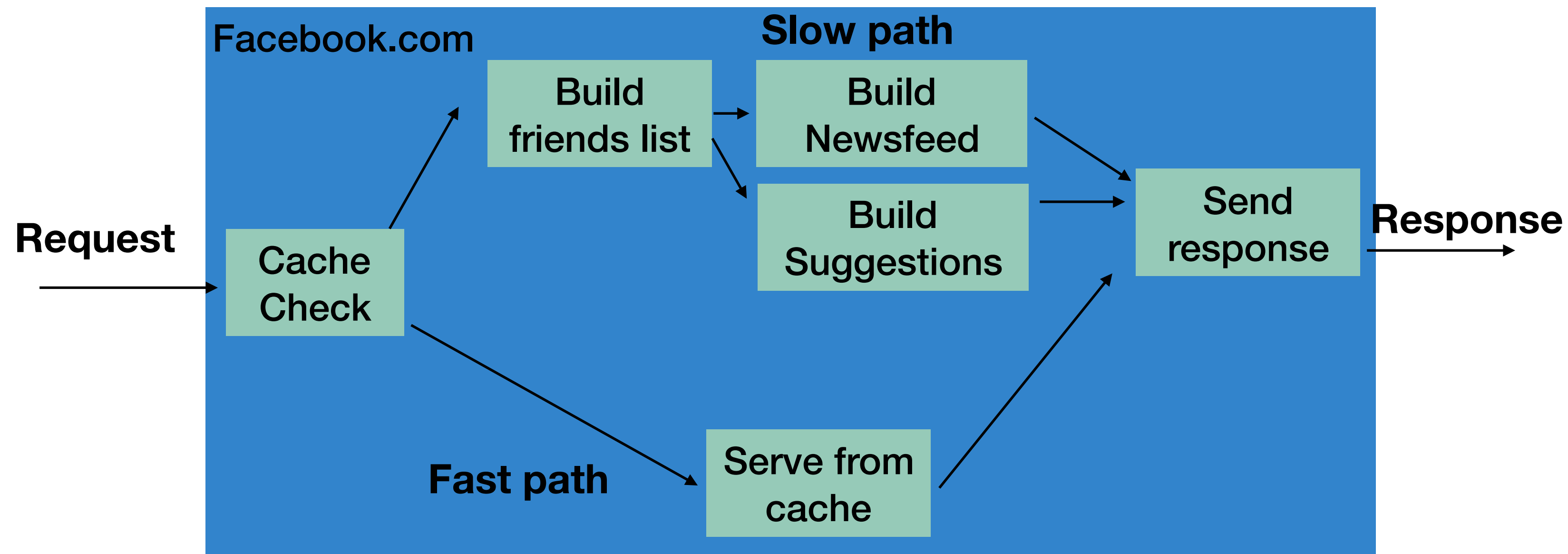
SPREAD NETWORKS
Technology
 Buried fiber-optic cable
Completion
 August 2010
Path length
 825 miles
Round-trip time for data
13.1
 milliseconds
Approach
 Spread bought its own rights-of-way, avoiding a Philadelphia-ward dip in favor of a shorter path northwest through central Pennsylvania.

MCKAY BROTHERS
Technology
 Microwave beams through air
Completion
 July 4, 2012
Path length
 744 miles
Round-trip time for data
9
 milliseconds
Approach
 Microwaves generally move faster than photons in optical fiber, and McKay's network uses just 20 towers on a nearly perfect great circle.

TRADEWORX
Technology
 Microwave beams through air
Completion
 Winter 2012
Path length
 ~ 731 miles
Round-trip time for data
8.5
 milliseconds (est.)
Approach
 Tradeworx is highly secretive, but the company is open about the price of a subscription: \$250,000 a year.

Reducing Latency without lots of \$\$\$

- Approach: use **concurrency**
- Limited by serial section



Exploiting Concurrency

- These examples are at a very high level (components in a large server system)
- For this lecture, we'll focus on smaller, more concrete examples
- First: Matrix Multiplication

$$(C) = (A) \cdot (B)$$

Matrix Multiplication

$$C_{ij} = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a_{ki} * b_{jk}$$

Matrix Multiplication

```
class Worker extends Thread {
    int row, col;
    Worker(int row, int col) {
        this.row = row; this.col = col;
    }
    public void run() {
        double dotProduct = 0.0;
        for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
            dotProduct += a[row][i] * b[i][col];
        c[row][col] = dotProduct;
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a thread

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Which matrix entry to compute

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}
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Actual computation

Matrix Multiplication

```
void multiply() {  
    Worker[][] worker = new Worker[n][n];  
    for (int row ...)  
        for (int col ...)  
            worker[row][col] = new Worker(row,col);  
    for (int row ...)  
        for (int col ...)  
            worker[row][col].start();  
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Create nxn
threads

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Start them

What's wrong with this picture?

Wait for them to finish

Thread Overhead

- Threads Require resources
 - Memory for stacks
 - Setup, teardown
- Scheduler overhead
- Worse for short-lived threads

Thread Pools

- More sensible to keep a pool of long-lived threads
- Threads assigned short-lived tasks
 - Runs the task
 - Rejoins pool
 - Waits for next assignment

Thread Pool = Abstraction

- Insulate programmer from platform
 - Big machine, big pool
 - And vice-versa
- Portable code
 - Runs well on any platform
 - No need to mix algorithm/platform concerns

ExecutorService Interface

- In `java.util.concurrent`
 - Task = **Runnable** object
 - If no result value expected
 - Calls **run()** method.
 - Task = **Callable<T>** object
 - If result value of type **T** expected
 - Calls **T call()** method.
 - Interesting question: how do you get the return value from call?

Future<T>

```
Callable<T> task = ...;  
...  
Future<T> future = executor.submit(task);  
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Note

- Executor Service submissions
 - Like Maryland traffic signs
 - Are purely advisory in nature
- The executor
 - Like the Maryland driver
 - Is free to ignore any such advice
 - And could execute tasks sequentially ...

Matrix Addition

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4 parallel additions

Matrix Addition Task

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class AddTask implements Runnable {
  Matrix a, b; // multiply this!
  public void run() {
    if (a.dim == 1) {
      c[0][0] = a[0][0] + b[0][0]; // base case
    } else {
      (partition a, b into half-size matrices aij and bij)
      Future<?> f00 = exec.submit(add(a00,b00));
      ...
      Future<?> f11 = exec.submit(add(a11,b11));
      f00.get(); ...; f11.get();
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

This is not real Java
code (see book)

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Base case: add directly

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Constant-time operation

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Submit 4 tasks

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            ...  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Let them finish

Dependencies

- Matrix example is not typical
- Tasks are independent
 - Don't need results of one task ...
 - To complete another
- Often tasks are not independent

Fibonacci

- Note: potential parallelism, but subject to dependencies

$$F(n) \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 0 \text{ or } 1 \\ F(n-1) + F(n-2) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Disclaimer

- This Fibonacci implementation is
 - Egregiously inefficient
 - So don't deploy it!
 - But illustrates our point
 - How to deal with dependencies

Multithreaded Fibonacci

```
class FibTask implements Callable<Integer> {
    static ExecutorService exec =
Executors.newCachedThreadPool();
    int arg;
    public FibTask(int n) {
        arg = n;
    }
    public Integer call() {
        if (arg > 2) {
            Future<Integer> left = exec.submit(new FibTask(arg-1));
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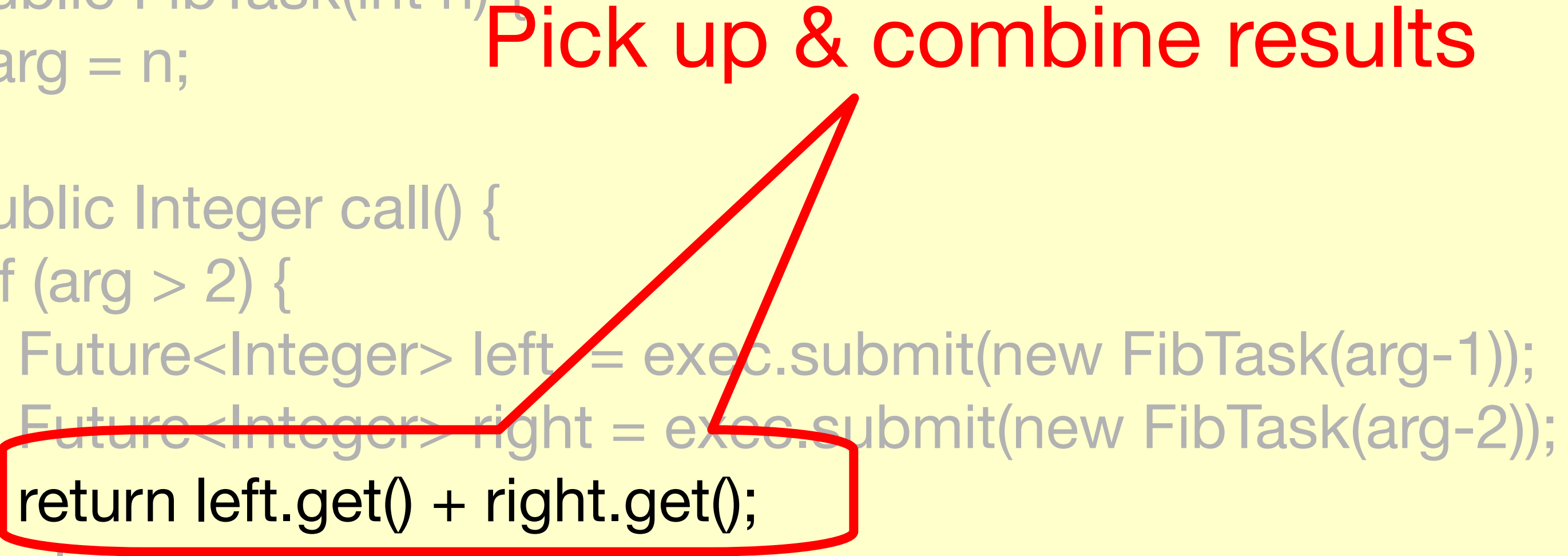
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Parallel calls

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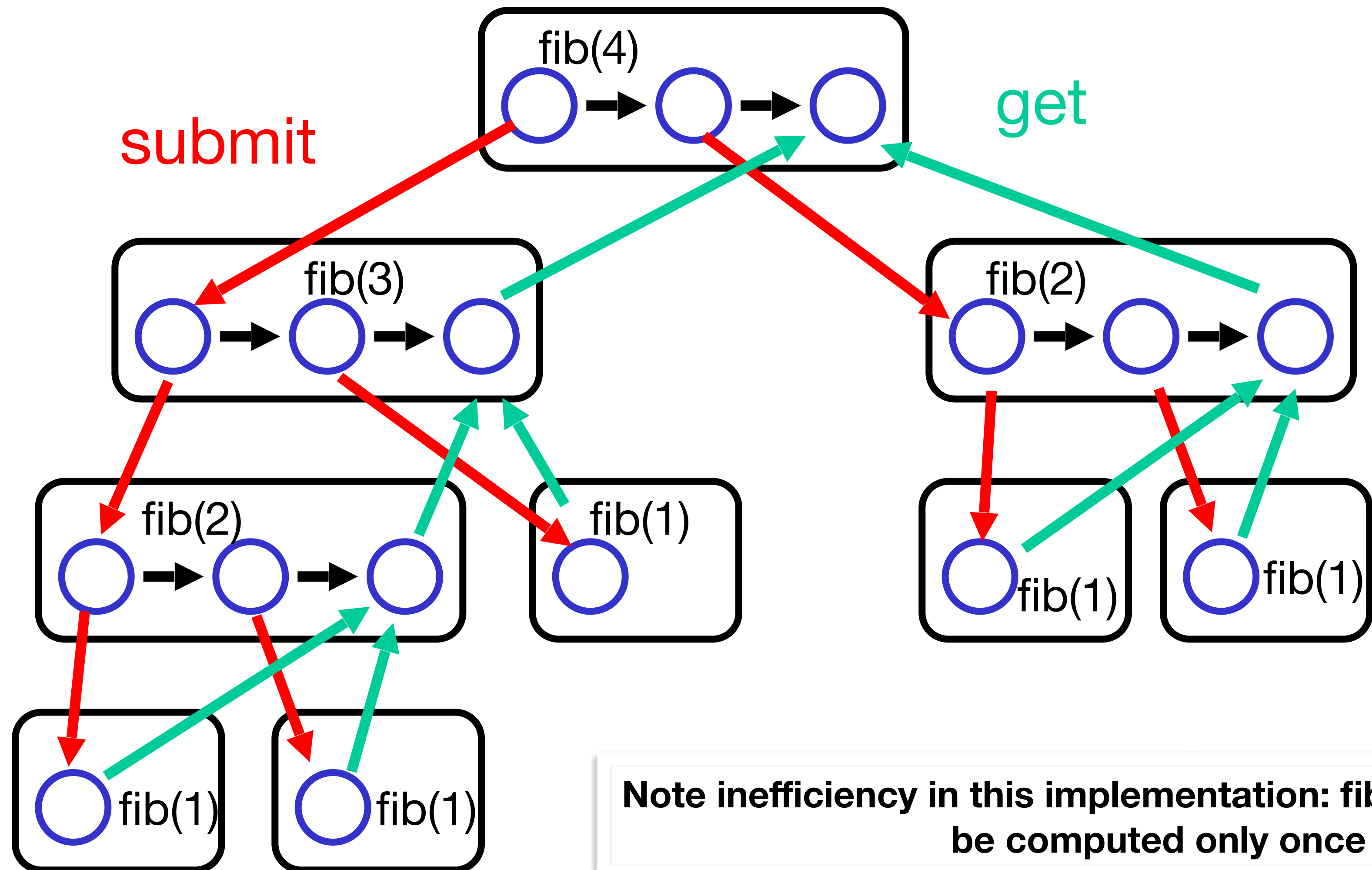
Pick up & combine results



Dynamic Behavior

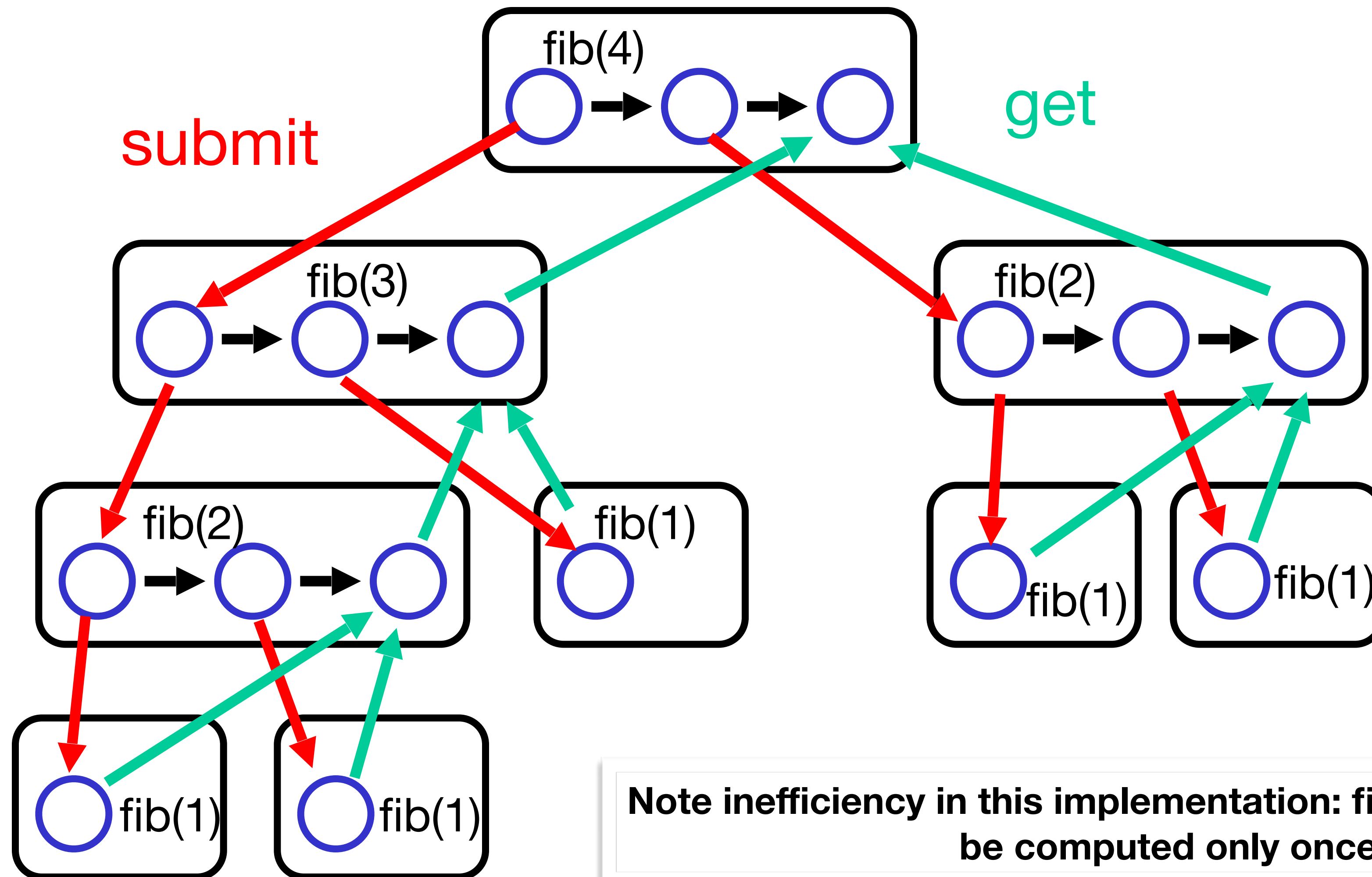
- Multithreaded program is
 - A directed acyclic graph (DAG)
 - That unfolds dynamically
- Each node is
 - A single unit of work

Fib DAG



Note inefficiency in this implementation: fib(2)'s result should be computed only once

Arrows Reflect Dependencies

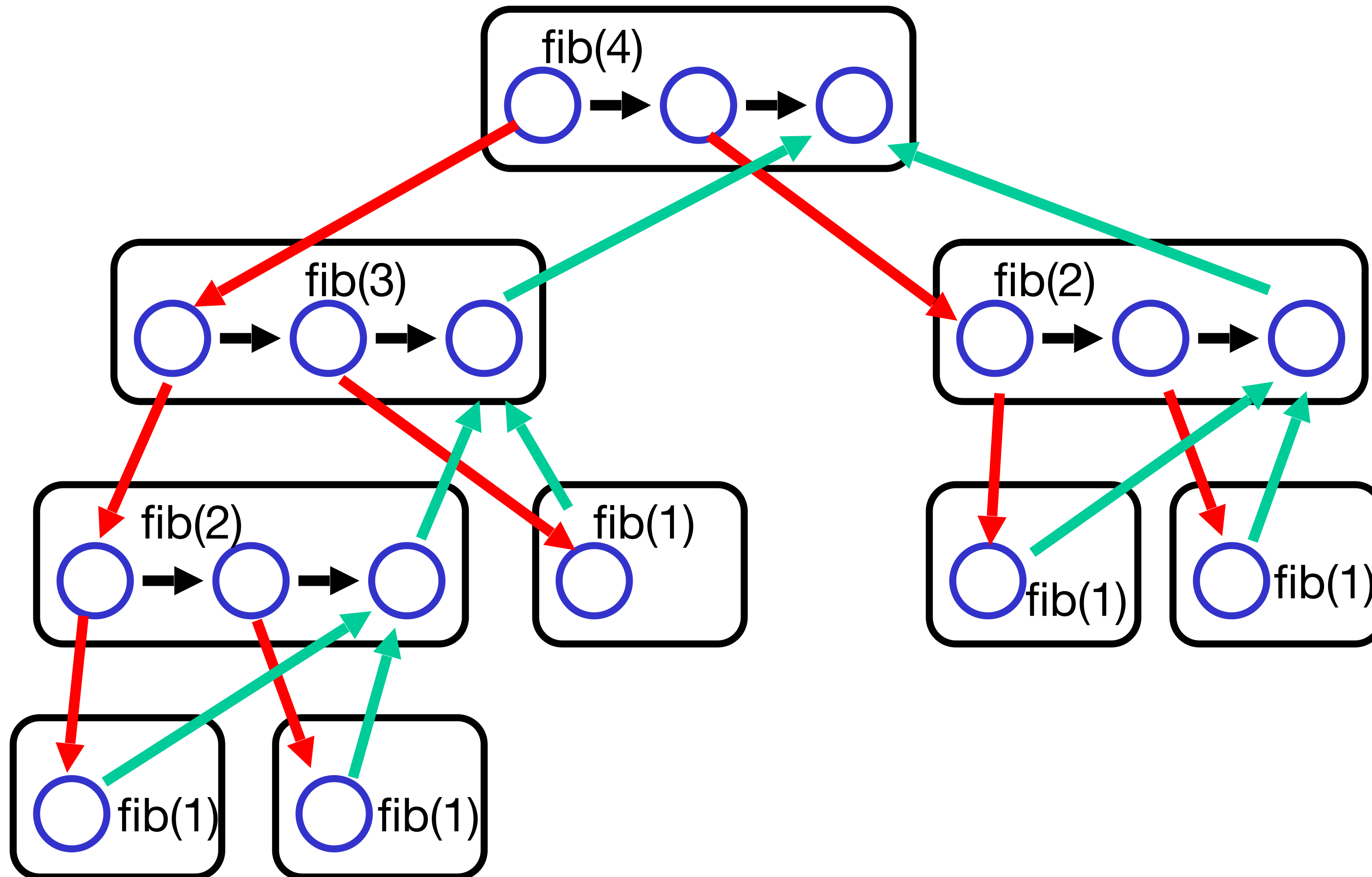


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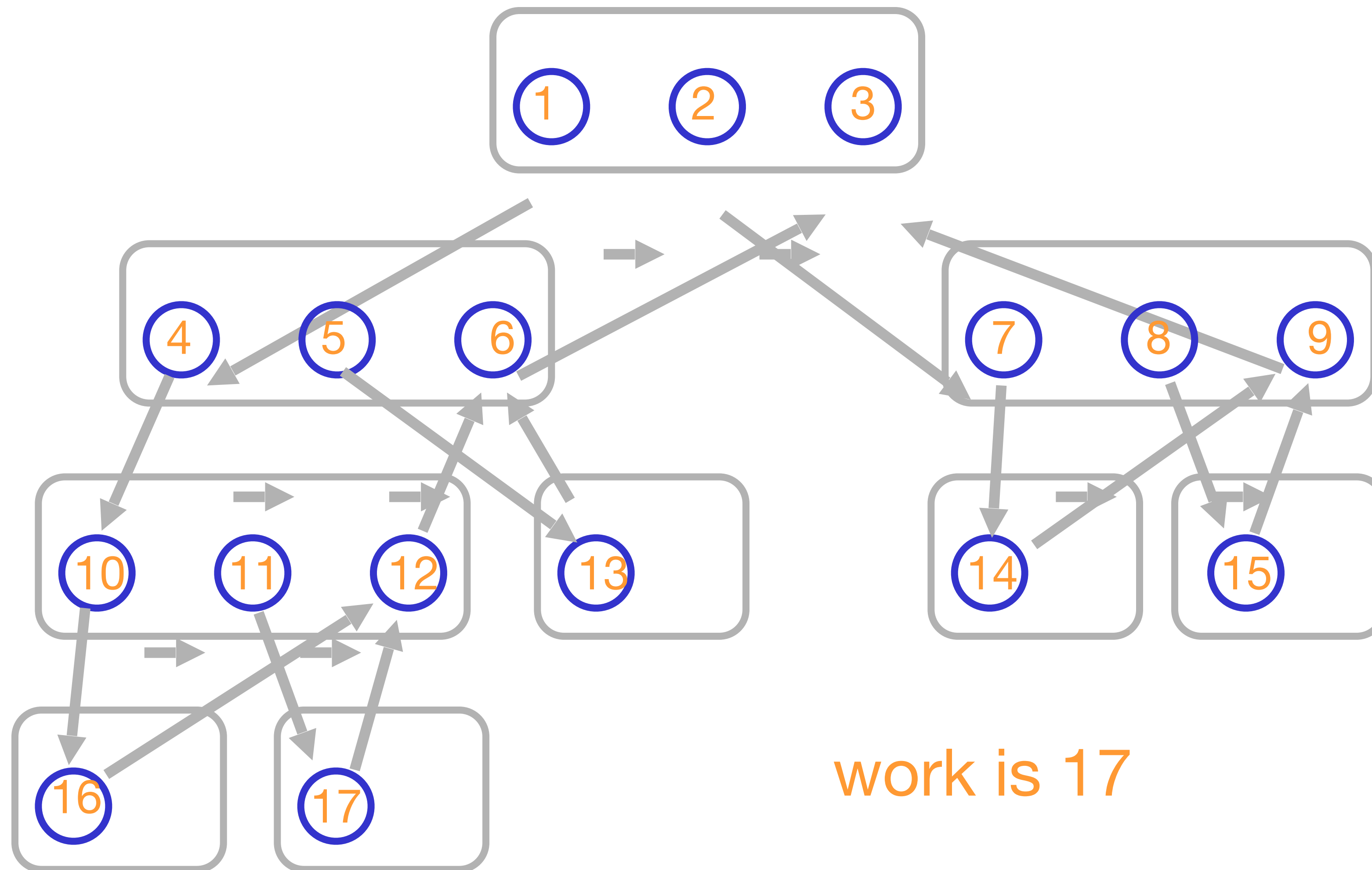
How Parallel is That?

- Define work:
 - Total time on one processor
- Define critical-path length:
 - Longest dependency path
 - Can't beat that!

Fib Work

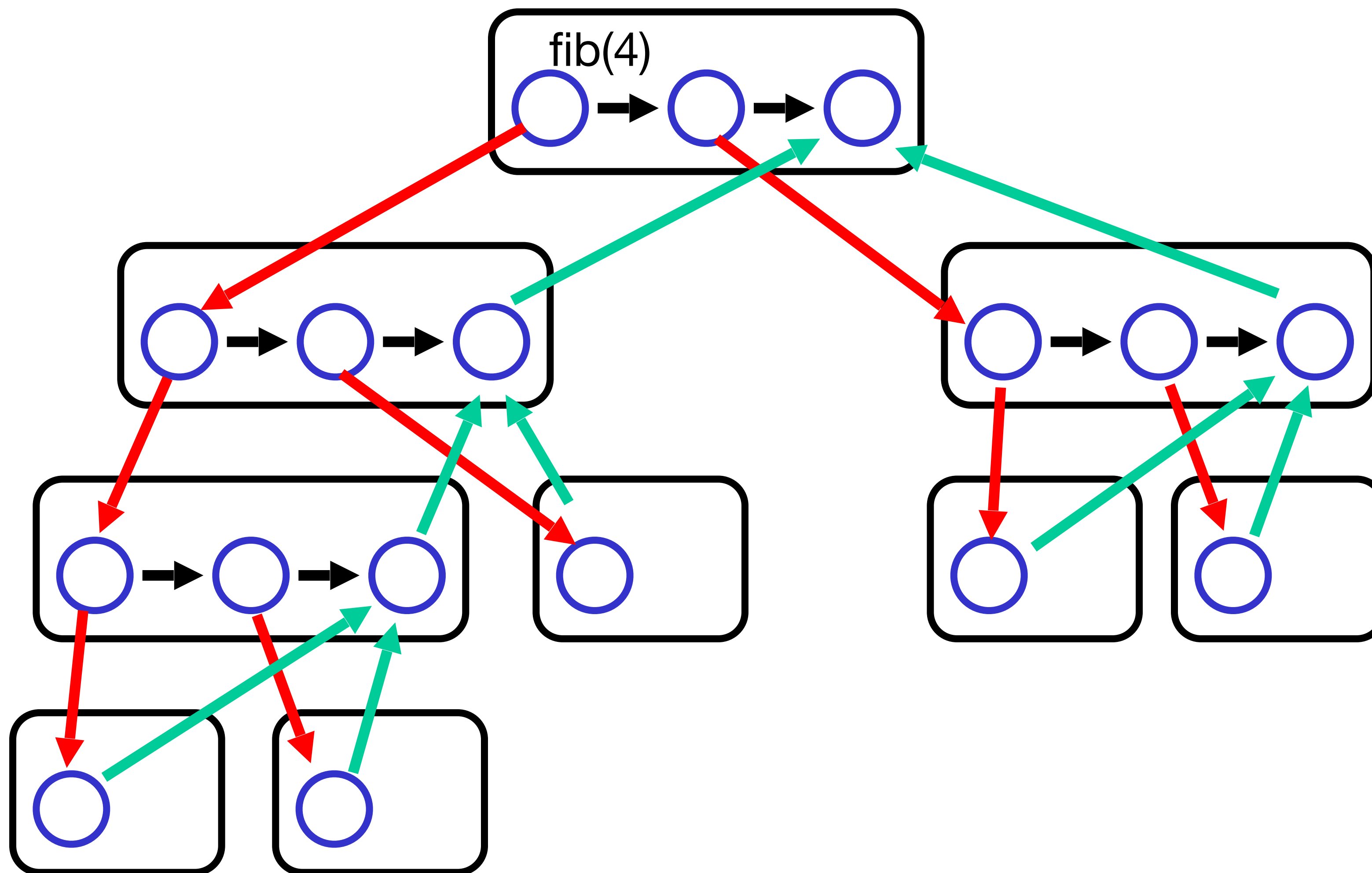


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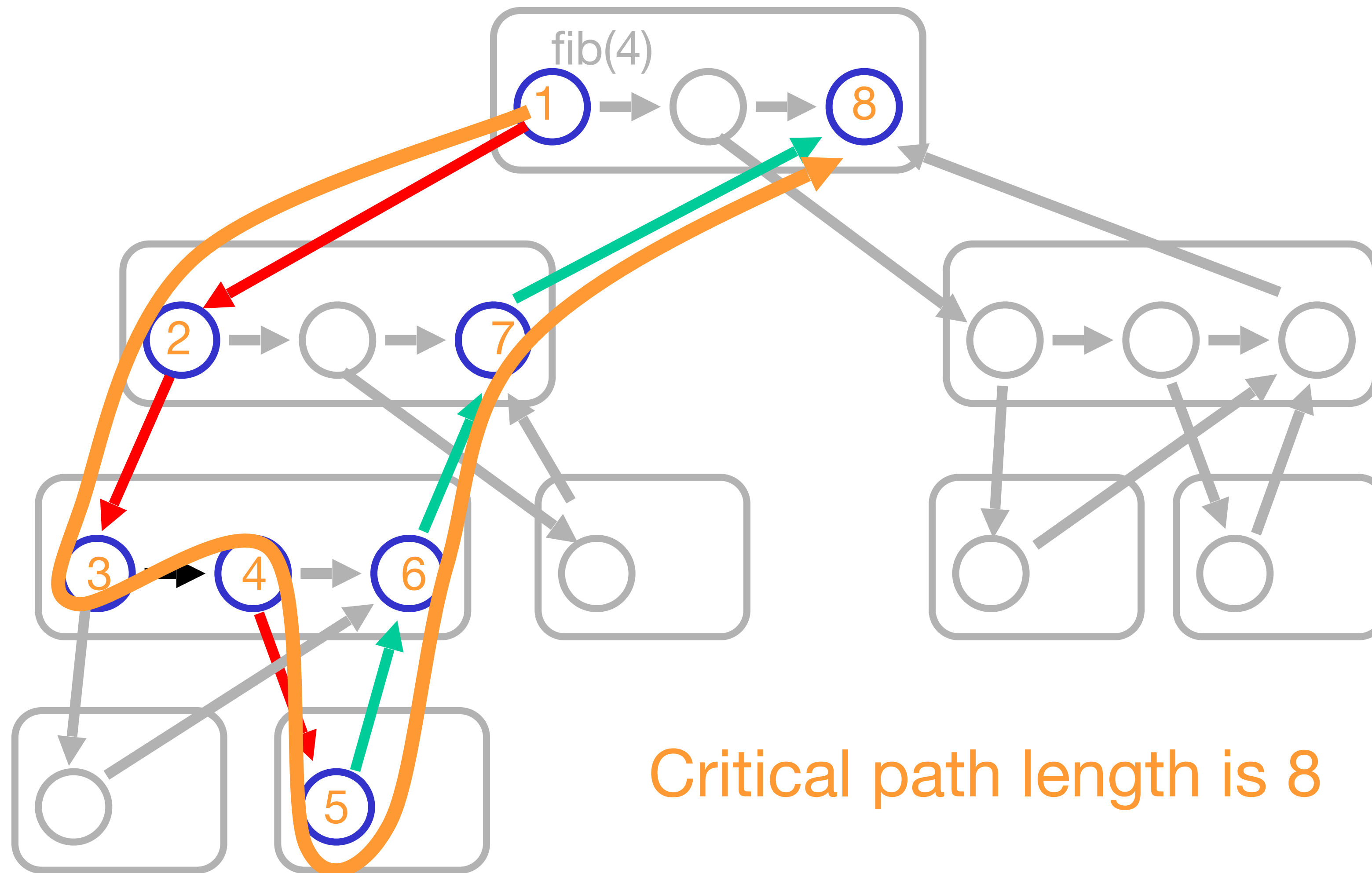


work is 17

Fib Critical Path



Fib Critical Path



Critical path length is 8

Notation Watch

- T_P = time on P processors
- T_1 = work (time on 1 processor)
- T_∞ = critical path length (time on ∞ processors)

Simple Bounds

- $T_P \geq T_1/P$
 - In one step, can't do more than P work
- $T_P \geq T_\infty$
 - Can't beat infinite resources

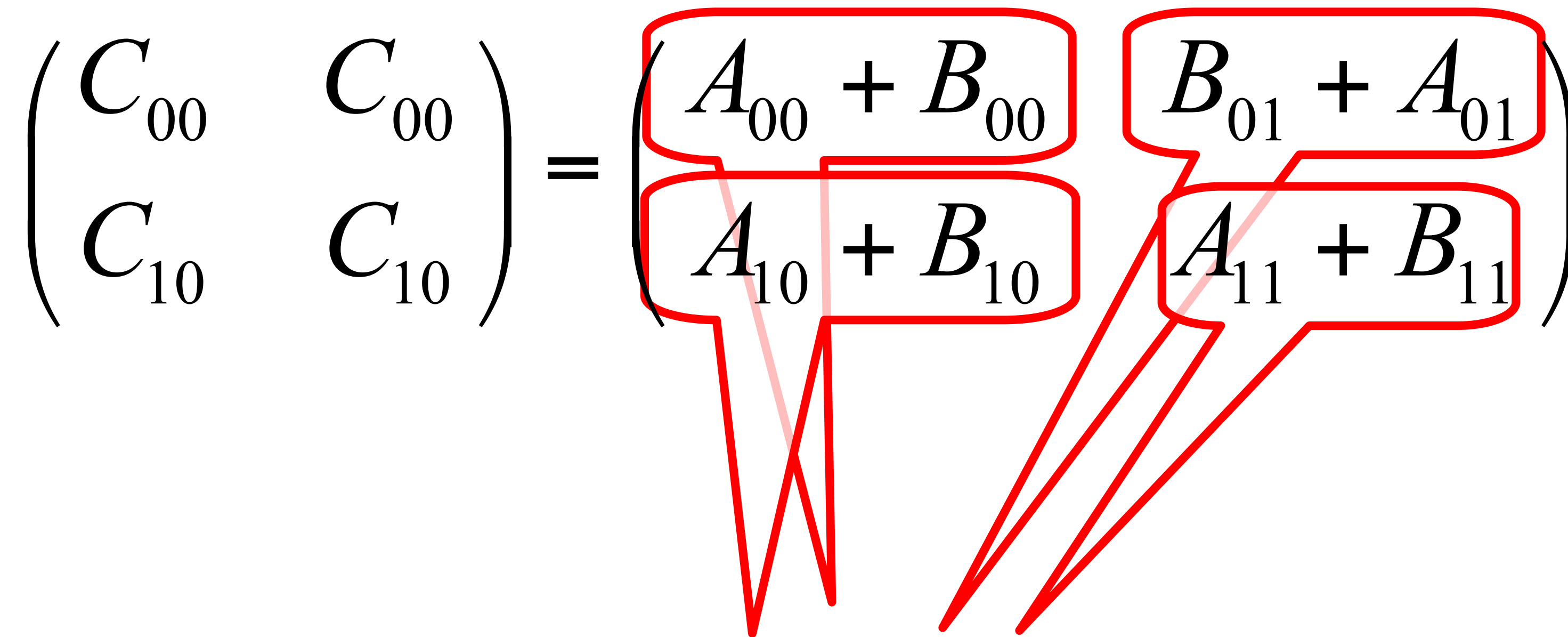
More Notation Watch

- Speedup on P processors
 - Ratio T_1/T_P
 - How much faster with P processors
- Linear speedup
 - $T_1/T_P = \Theta(P)$
- Max speedup (average parallelism)
 - T_1/T_∞

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4 parallel additions

Addition

- Let $A_P(n)$ be running time
 - For $n \times n$ matrix
 - on P processors
- For example
 - $A_1(n)$ is work
 - $A_\infty(n)$ is critical path length

Addition

- Work is

Partition, synch, etc

$$A_1(n) = 4 A_1(n/2) + \Theta(1)$$

4 spawned additions

Addition

- Work is

$$\begin{aligned} A_1(n) &= 4 A_1(n/2) + \Theta(1) \\ &= \Theta(n^2) \end{aligned}$$

Same as double-loop summation

Addition

- Critical Path length is

$$A_{\infty}(n) = A_{\infty}(n/2) + \Theta(1)$$

spawned additions in
parallel

Partition, synch, etc

Addition

- Critical Path length is

$$\begin{aligned}A_{\infty}(n) &= A_{\infty}(n/2) + \Theta(1) \\ &= \Theta(\log n)\end{aligned}$$

Matrix Multiplication Redux

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Matrix Multiplication Redux

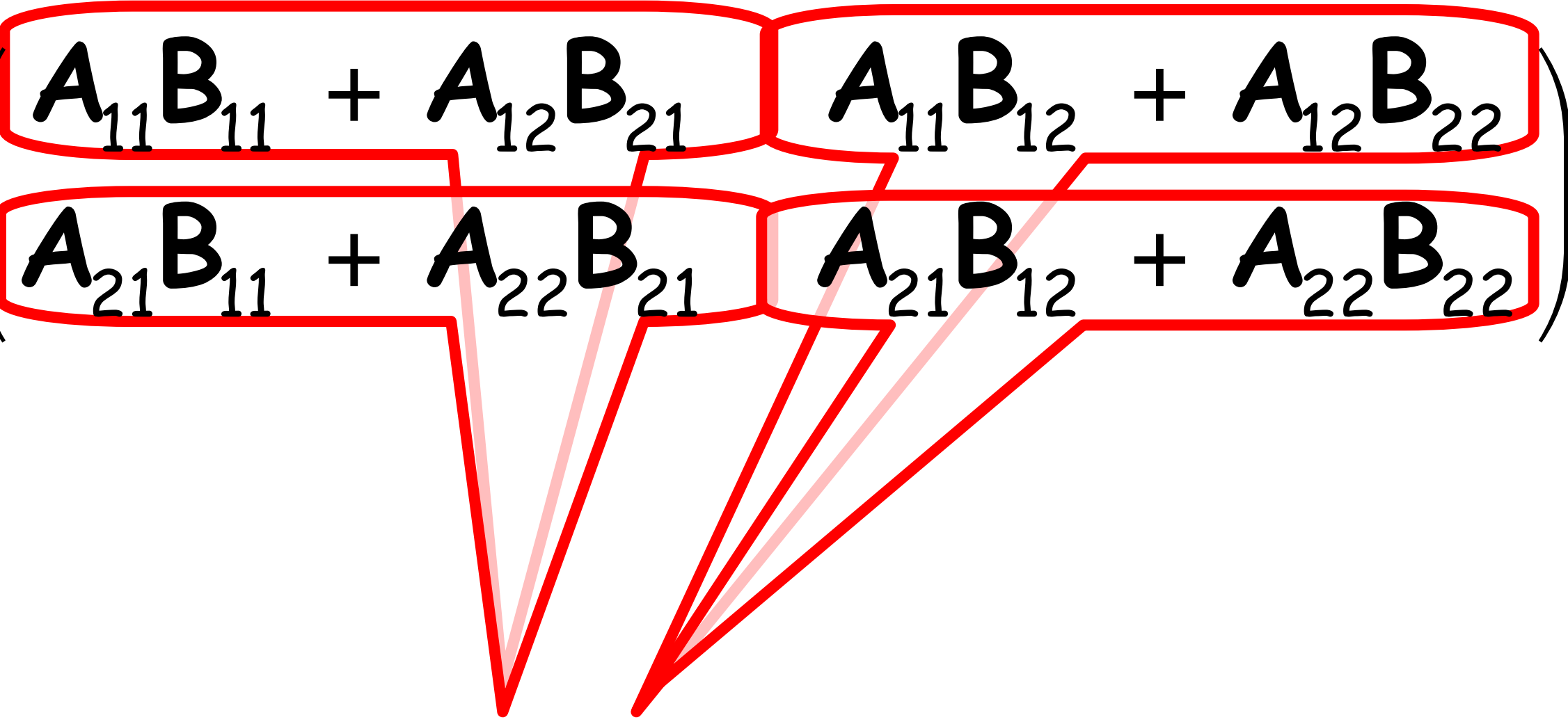
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8 multiplications

Second Phase ...

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4 additions

Multiplication

- Work is

$$M_1(n) = 8 M_1(n/2) + A_1(n)$$

Final addition

8 parallel
multiplications

Multiplication

- Work is

$$\begin{aligned}M_1(n) &= 8 M_1(n/2) + \Theta(n^2) \\ &= \Theta(n^3)\end{aligned}$$

Same as serial triple-nested loop

Multiplication

- Critical path length is

Final addition

$$M_{\infty}(n) = M_{\infty}(n/2) + A_{\infty}(n)$$

Half-size parallel
multiplications

Multiplication

- Critical path length is

$$\begin{aligned}M_{\infty}(n) &= M_{\infty}(n/2) + A_{\infty}(n) \\ &= M_{\infty}(n/2) + \Theta(\log n) \\ &= \Theta(\log^2 n)\end{aligned}$$

Parallelism

- $M_1(n) / M_\infty(n) = \Theta(n^3 / \log^2 n)$
- To multiply two 1000 x 1000 matrices
 - $1000^3 / 10^2 = 10^7$
- Much more than number of processors on any real machine

Shared-Memory Multiprocessors

- Parallel applications
 - Do not have direct access to HW processors
- Mix of other jobs
 - All run together
 - Come & go dynamically
- Hence, we have **no control** over how many processors we get at any given point
- Instead, shoot for the best parallelism that we can get given however many processors we actually get

Back to the Future

Promises & CompletableFutures

- What if we want to run some task, and do stuff while we are waiting for it to be done?
- You COULD do it with a complicated combination of **synchronized**, **wait**, and **notify**
- You can use the **Promise** abstraction instead
 - Called a **CompletableFuture** in Java 8

```
CompletableFuture<String> future = CompletableFuture.supplyAsync(() -> {
    try {
        TimeUnit.SECONDS.sleep(1);
    } catch (InterruptedException e) {
        throw new IllegalStateException(e);
    }
    return "Result of the asynchronous computation";
});
// Block and get the result of the Future
String result = future.get();
System.out.println(result);
```

- Just like Future's from before, but supports *chaining*

Chaining CompletableFuture

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Create an asynchronous task

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Create ANOTHER future that is
chained to the first

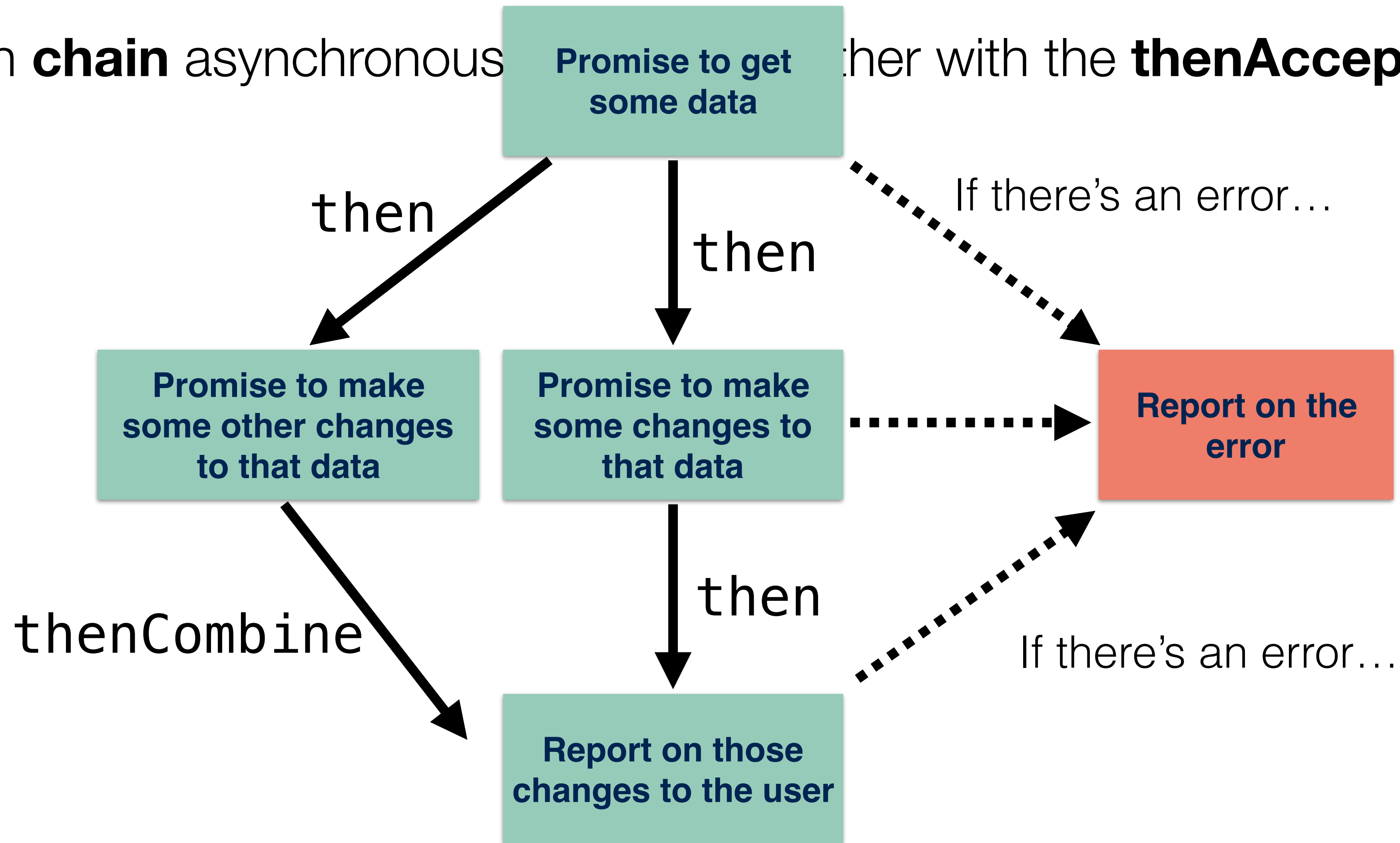
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Block the main thread for both futures to finish

Chaining CompletableFutures

- We can **chain** asynchronous operations together with the **thenAccept** term



CompletableFuture Use-Cases

- Any case where you need to have multiple things happen in the background, but care about the result, and care about them happening in some order
- Asynchronous I/O
 - Read data from a web service
 - Then process it
 - Then save it to a file

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