

A network graph visualization with a dark blue background. The graph consists of numerous nodes and edges, with a central cluster of nodes highlighted in yellow and orange, indicating a target or focal point. The edges are thin and light blue, forming a complex web of connections.

Target Driven Activity Planning

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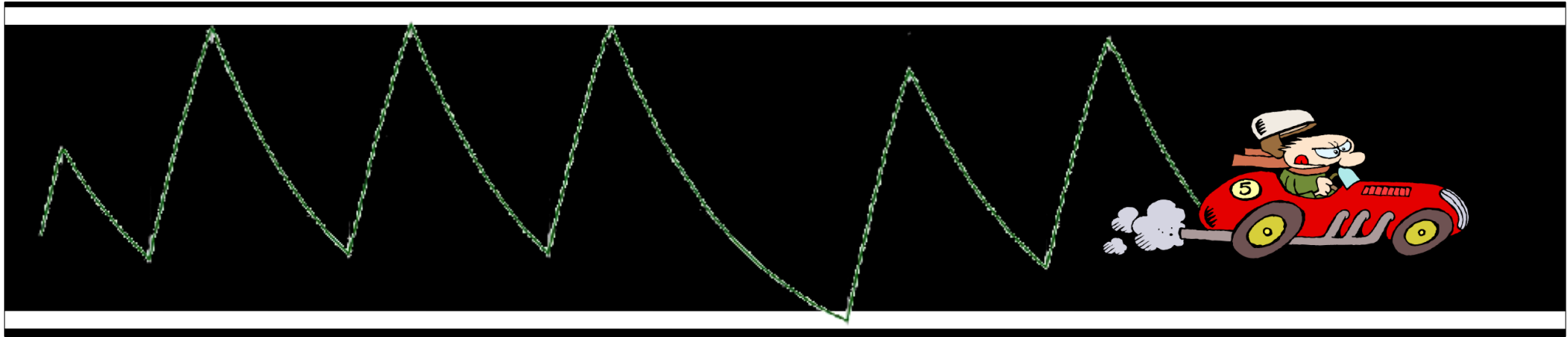
- Agents make decisions *on the fly* with an *open time horizon* (multiday)
- Use parameters that are close to observed behavior
- Use a *decision heuristic* (greedy as-we-go approach) and go parallel



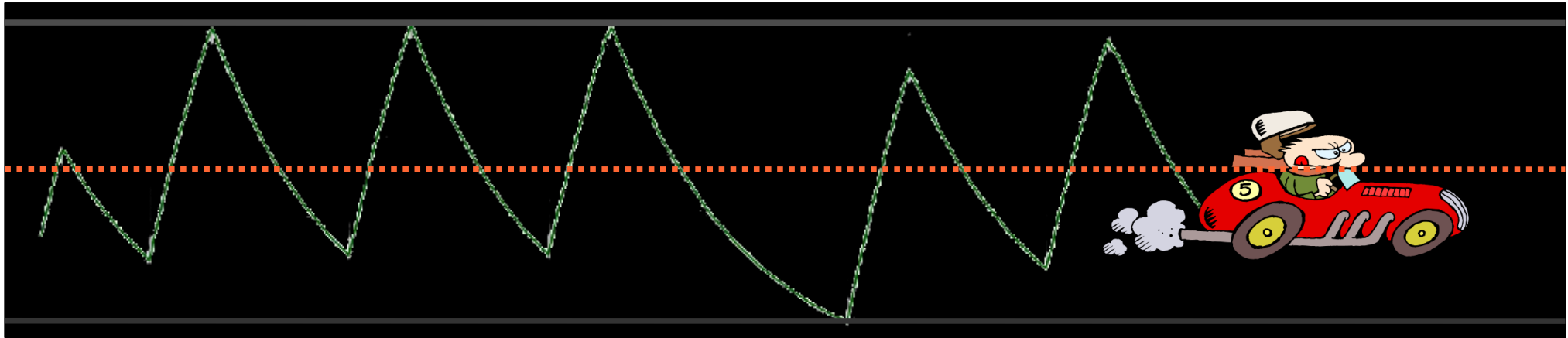
Overview

- Components of our model
 - Targets
 - Projects
 - Effectiveness
- Decision heuristic
- Q&A

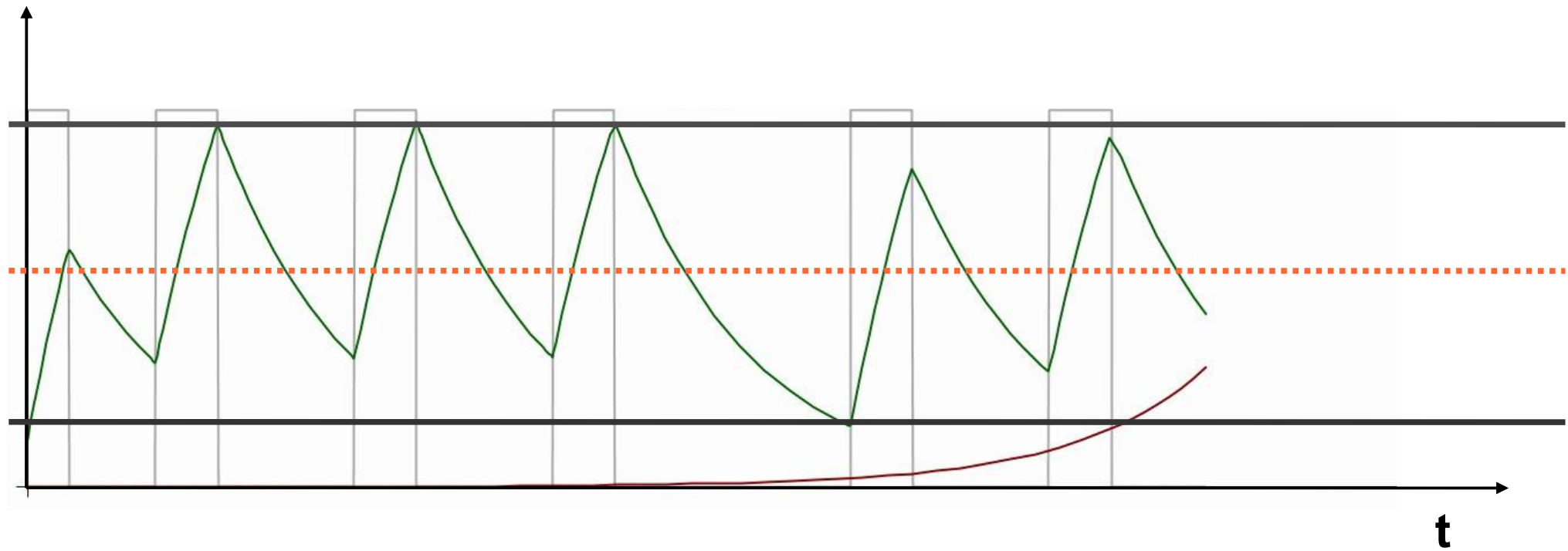
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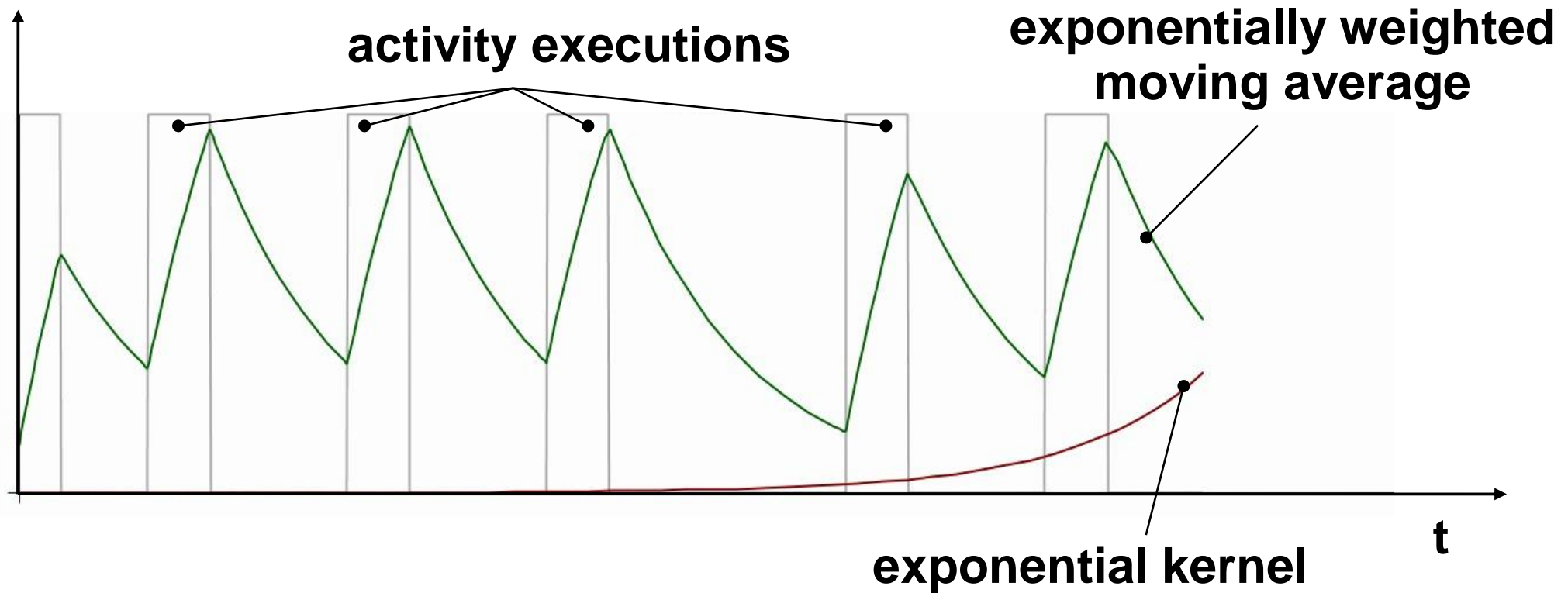
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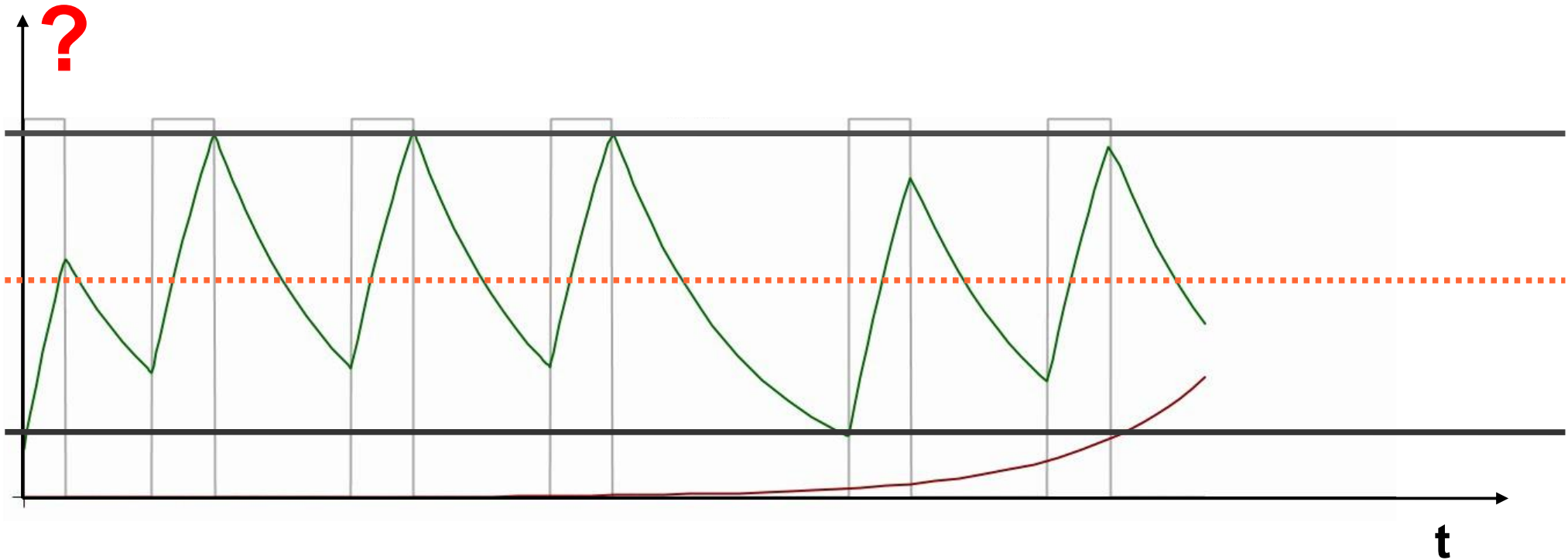


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Convolution with an exponential kernel
→ exponentially weighted moving average

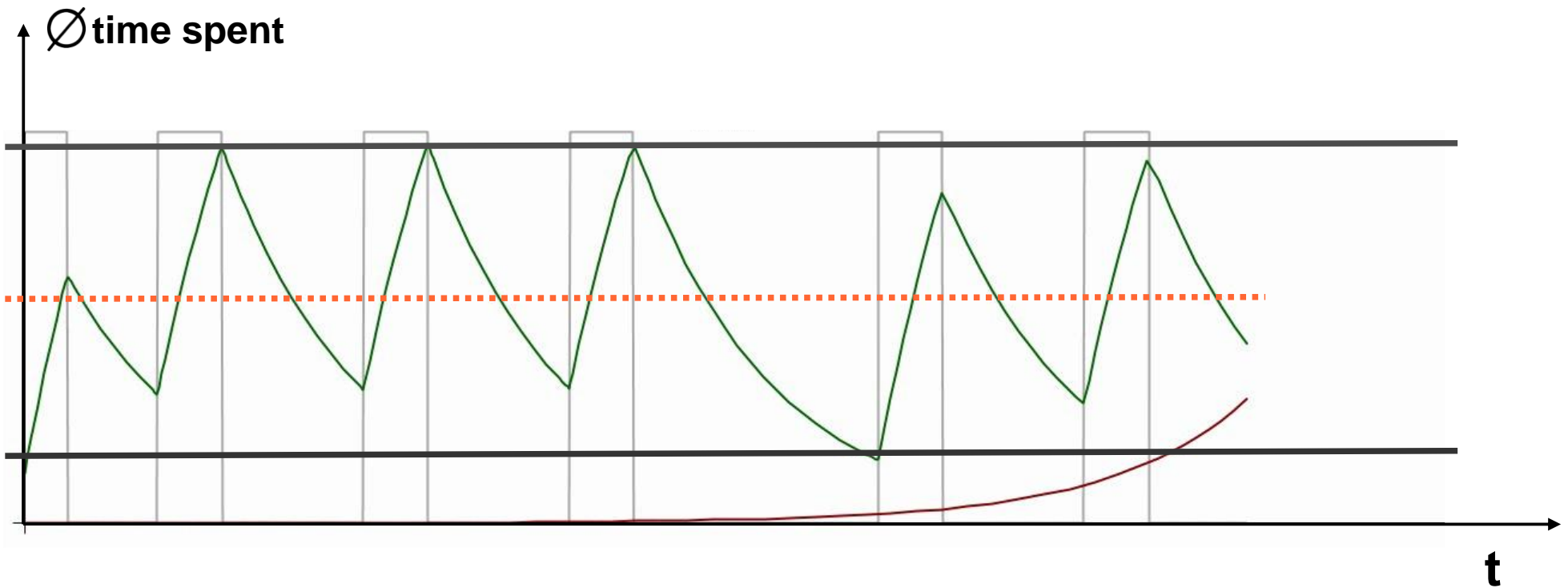
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Possible values:

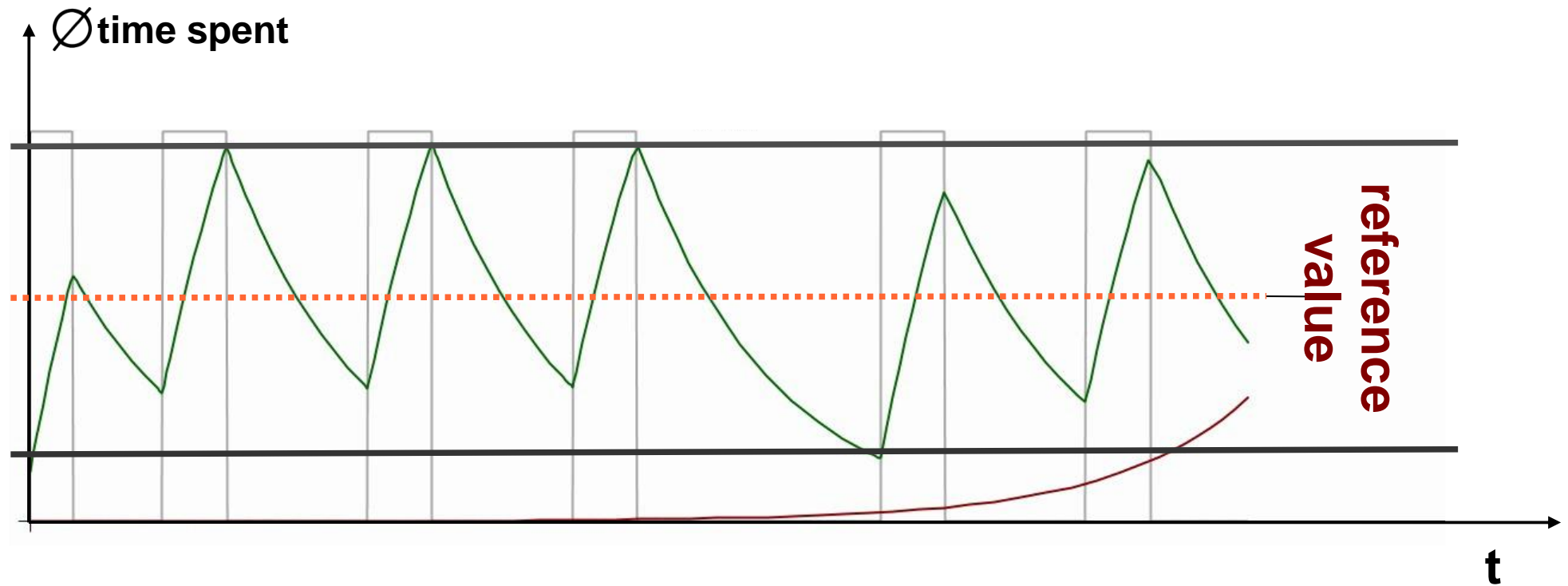
- Average time spend for an activity
- Average execution frequency of an activity

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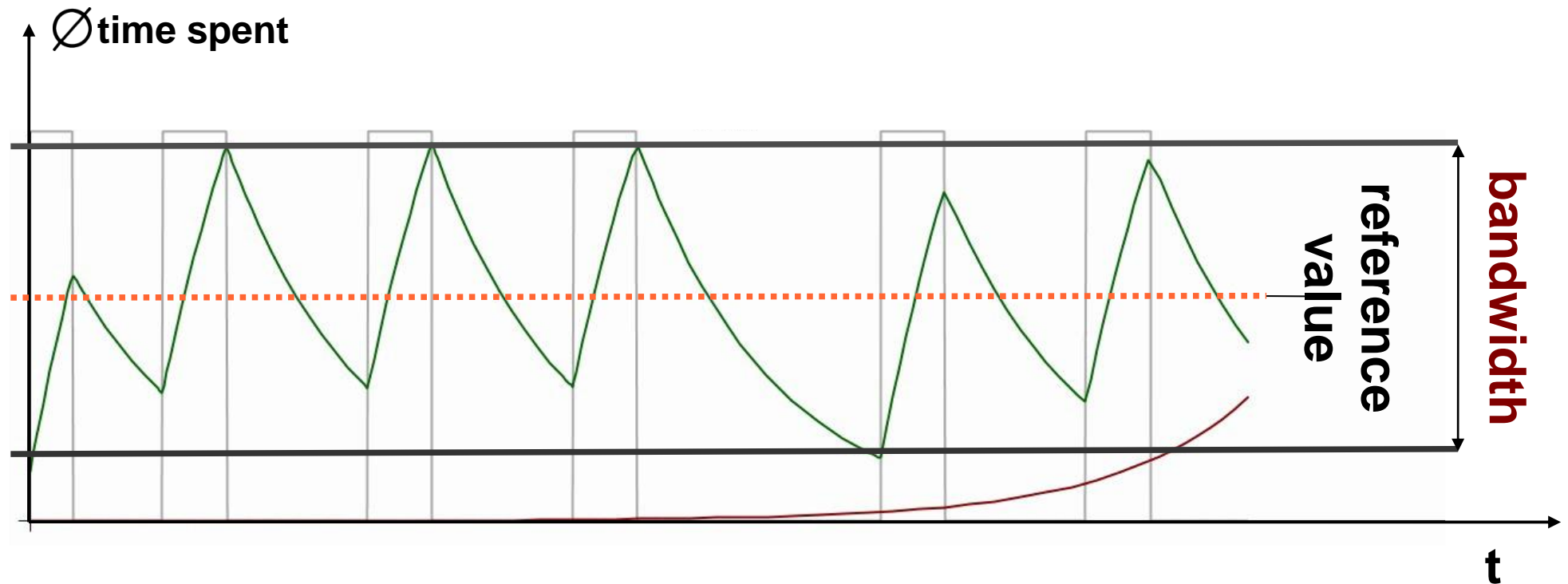
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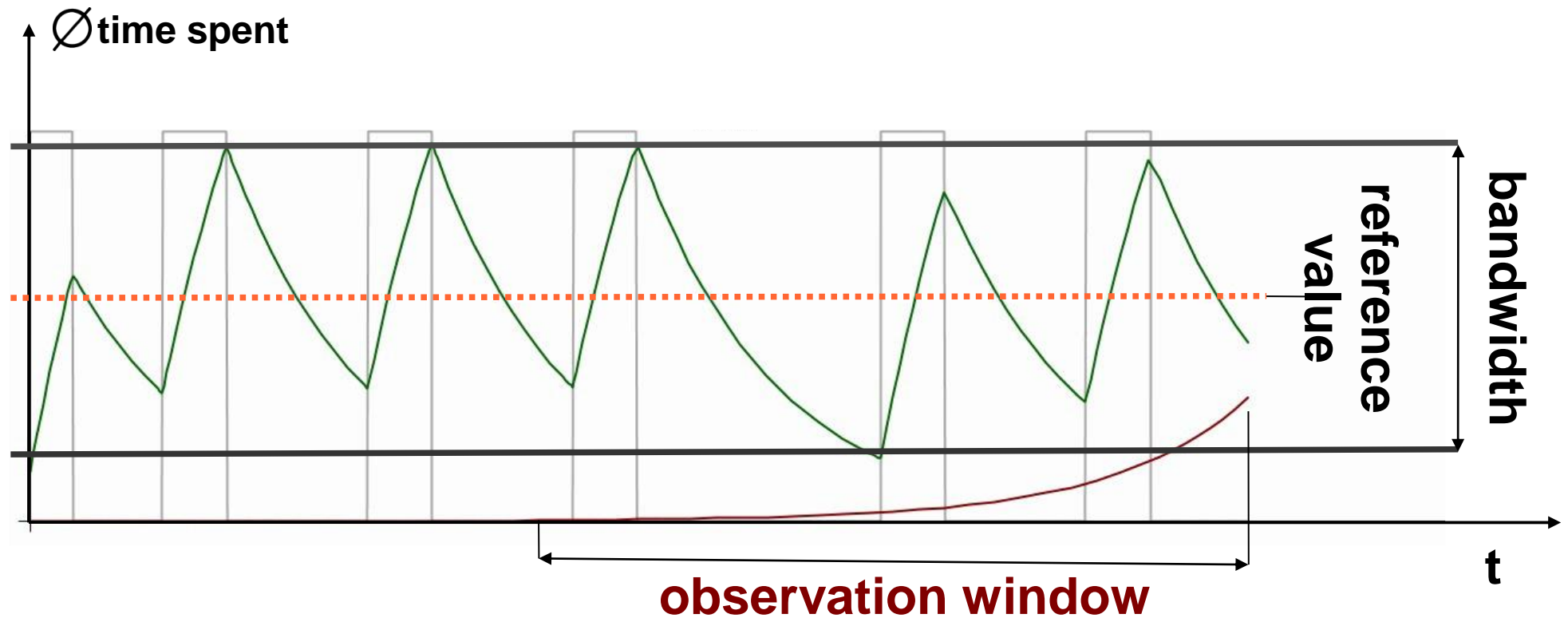
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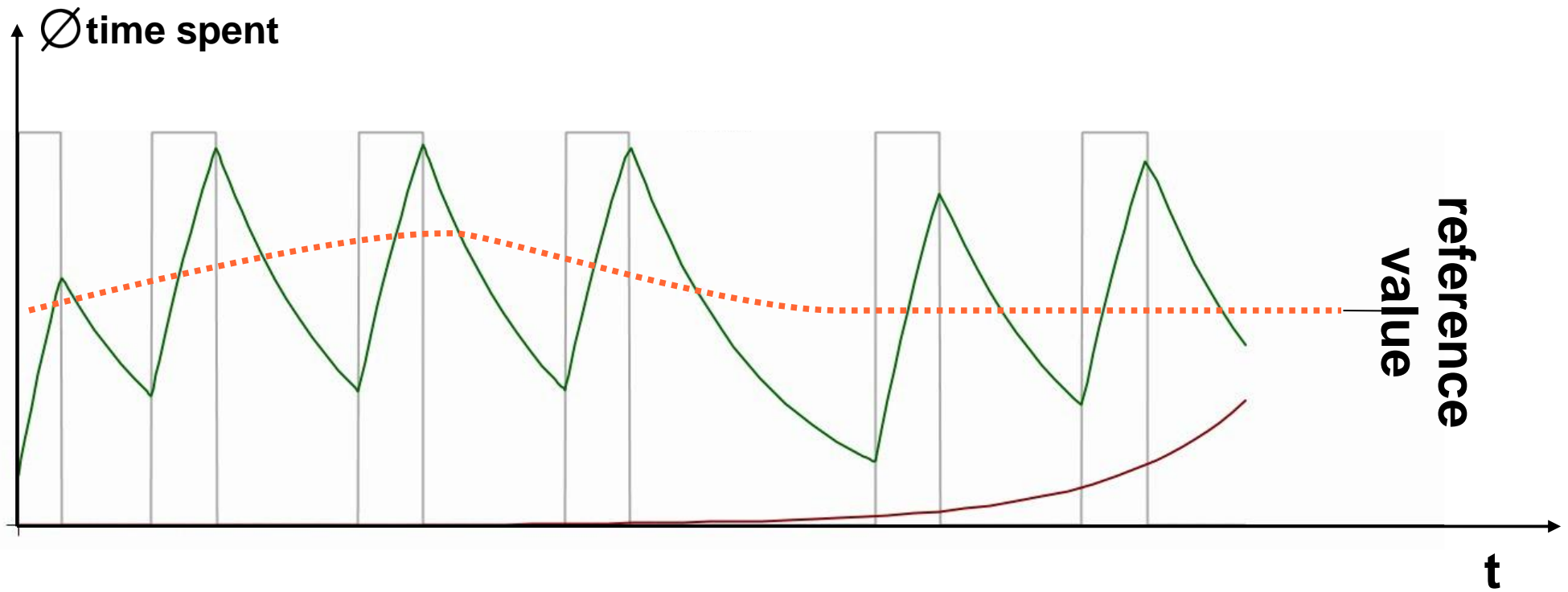
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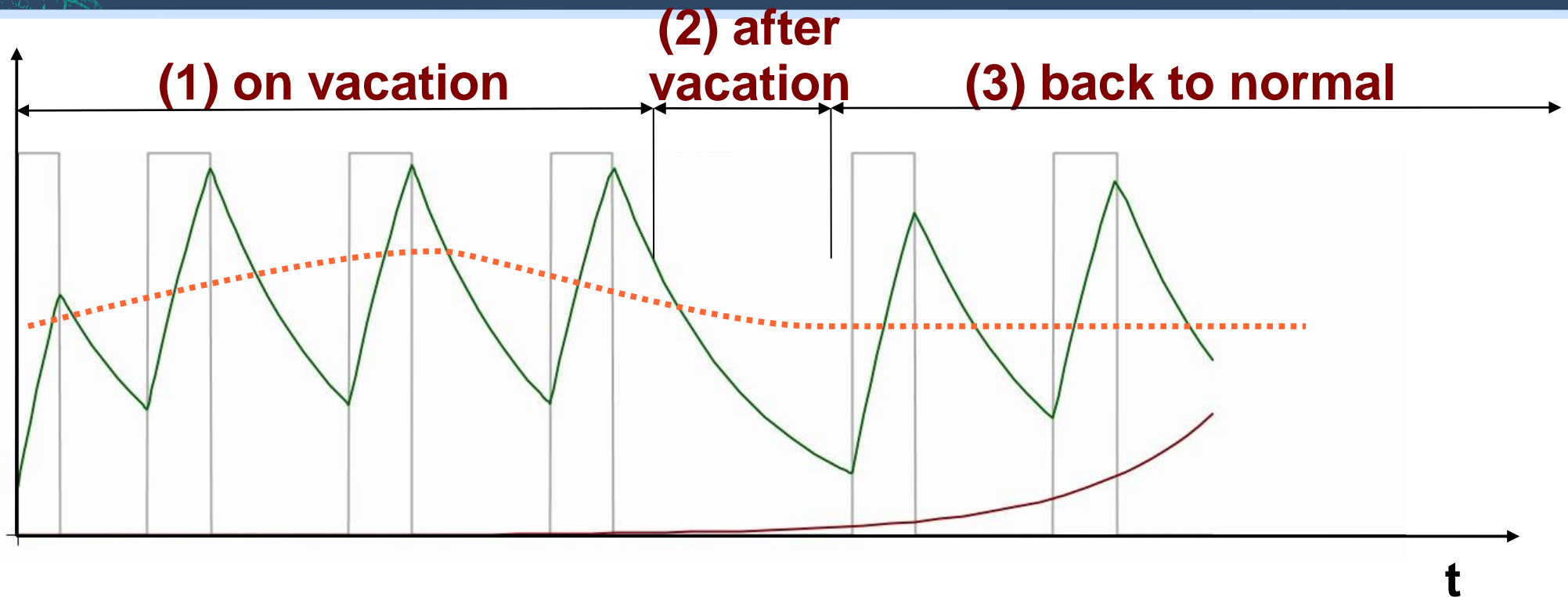


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Project vacation



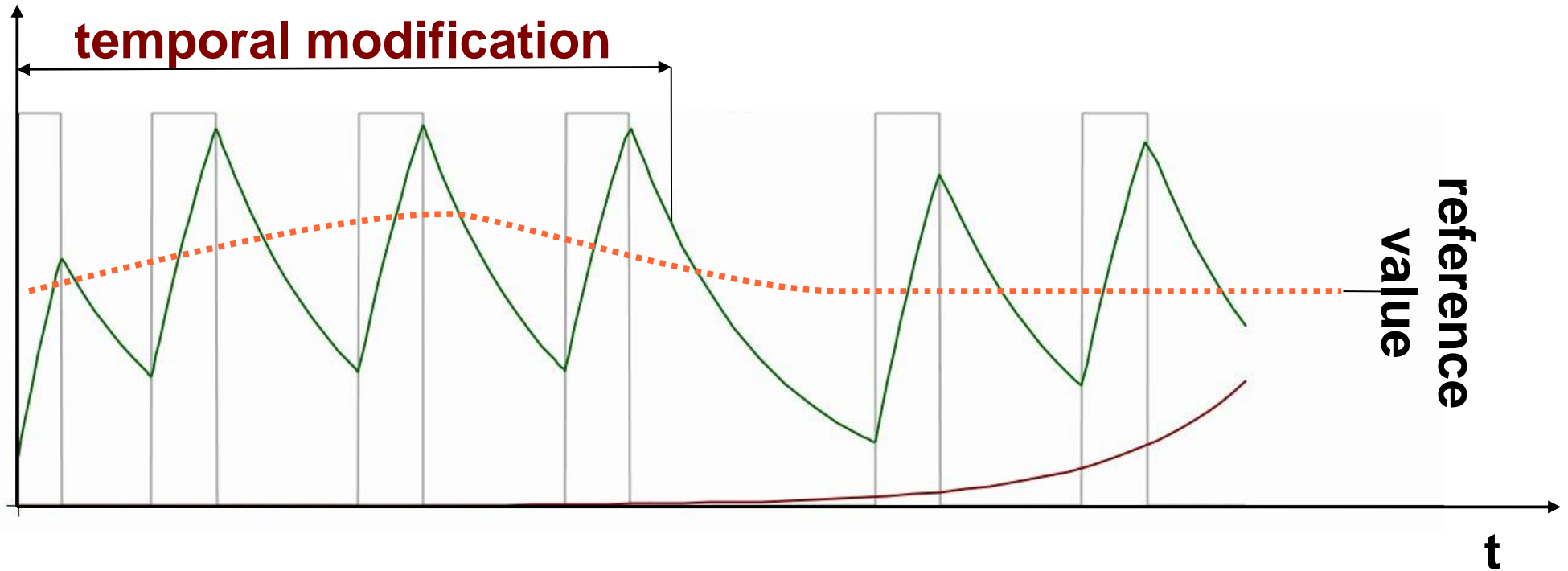
“play tennis” behavior of a person (influenced by project “vacation”)

(1) is on vacation

(2) after vacation (work off what has been put aside)

(3) back to normal course of life

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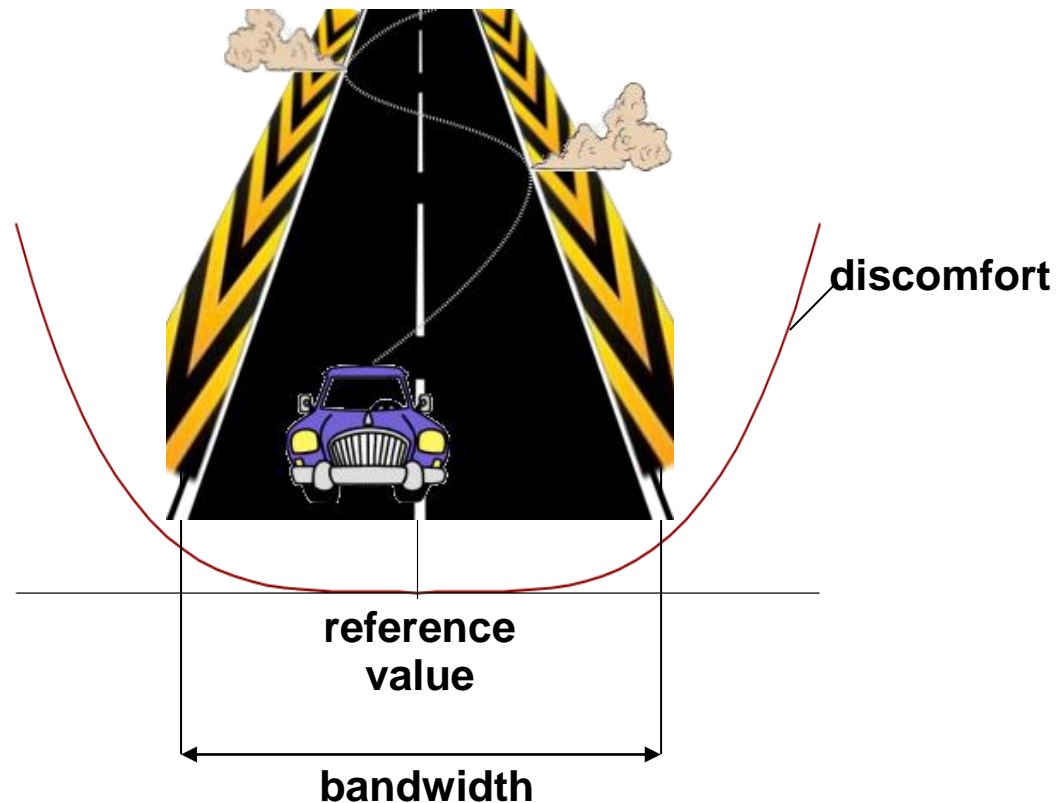


- Projects temporally modify reference values of targets

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$$D(t) = \sum_{k=1}^n (f_{refVal}^k(t) - f_{monVal}^k(t))^2 \cdot \begin{cases} w_1^k & \text{if } f_{monVal}(t)_k \leq f_{refVal}(t)_k \\ w_2^k & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

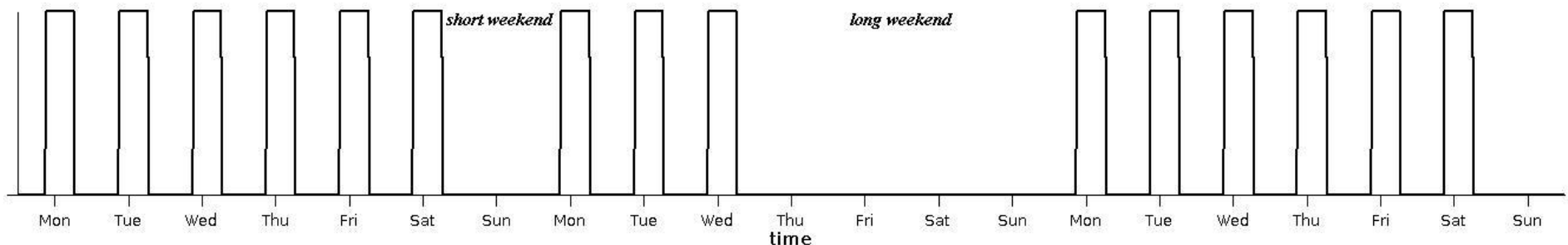
$$w_1^k = \frac{1}{(f_{refVal}^k(t) - f_{lower-bandwidth}^k(t))^2}$$

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Effectiveness

Effectiveness of an activity execution at a specific time

- Shop **opening hours** for a **shopping** activity
- **Daylight intensity** for a **sleep** activity
- **Business hours** for a **work** activity



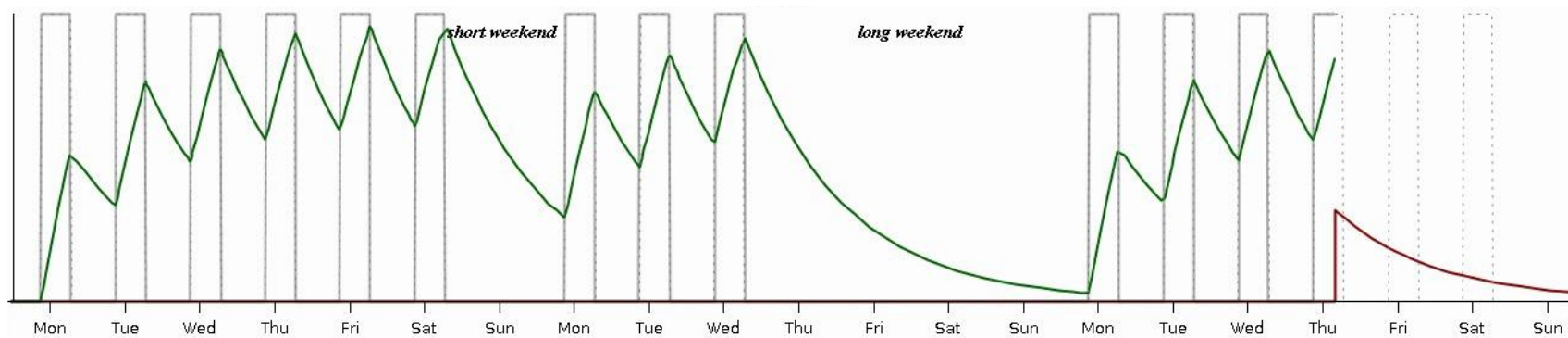
example of shop opening hours

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→ Indication about future opportunities

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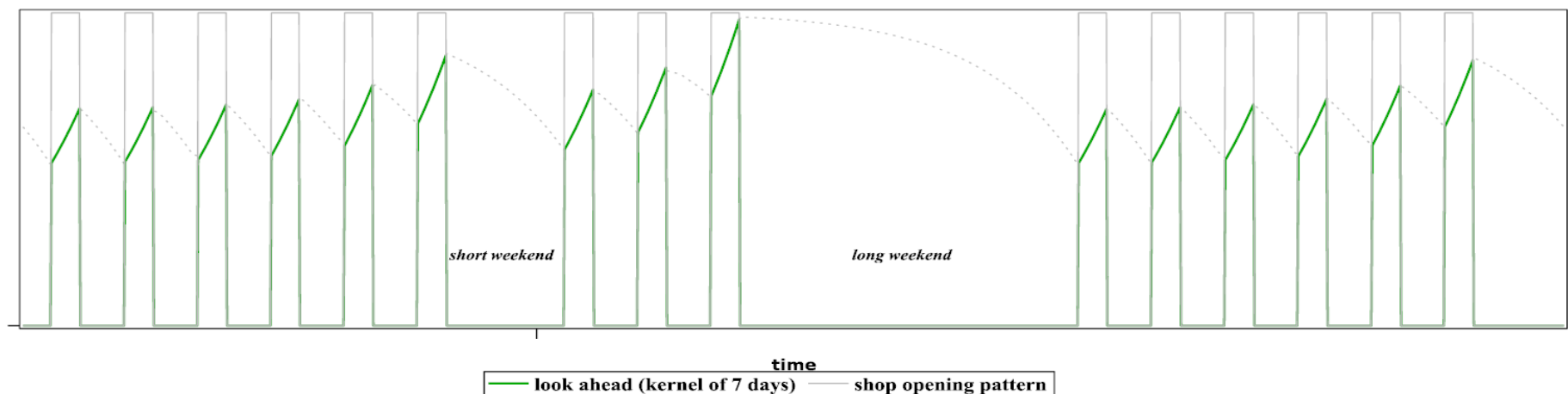
look-ahead measure through convolution with an exponential kernel

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Decision Heuristic

- considers activities which can be executed (or are executed based on cultural/social norms)
- considers activities which give more discomfort reduction per spent time
- simplistic location choice procedure
- favors activities which have fewer execution options in the future



Conclusion & Outlook

- Agents *behave* as expected *artificial* examples
- Rework code (performance / parallel framework)
- More simulation runs for validation using a 6 week travel diary (similar to Mobidrive)
- Location choice

Q&A

