

⚠ No blocking user input & adapt to passage of time

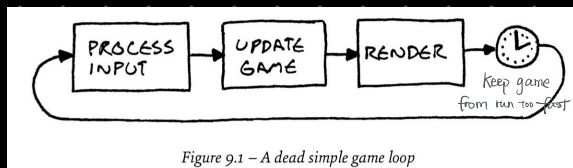


Figure 9.1 – A dead simple game loop

△ when one side goes faster than another things like **floating point error** get accumulated at different rates, hence causes mismatches.

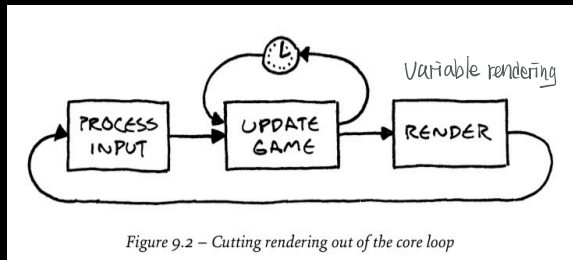


Figure 9.2 – Cutting rendering out of the core loop

△ Time step does not have visible **frame rate**

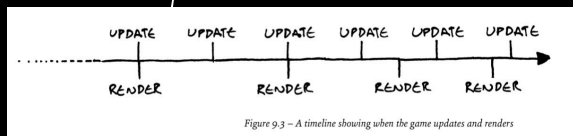


Figure 9.3 – A timeline showing when the game updates and renders

render **whenever we can** → not steady



makes motion looks jagged / stuttery

not zero
leftover

render(lag / MS_PER_UPDATE)
// render. Interpolate / guess. the motion?
but might be wrong (hit wall actually)

```
double lastTime = getCurrentTime();
while (true)
{
    double current = getCurrentTime();
    double elapsed = current - lastTime;
    processInput();
    update(elapsed);
    render();
    lastTime = current;
}
```

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double previous = getCurrentTime();
double lag = 0.0;
while (true)
{
    double current = getCurrentTime();
    double elapsed = current - previous;
    previous = current;
    lag += elapsed; // how far the game is behind
    processInput();

    while (lag >= MS_PER_UPDATE)
    {
        update(); // determines how many steps to
        lag -= MS_PER_UPDATE; // catch up
    }
    render(); // careful: infinite cannot catch up
}
```