

# Formal definition of regret

- **Over  $T$  iterations:**  $\mu^\star =$  maximum mean among the arms (coins in this case)
- $X_t$  be the outcome of the  $t$ -th coin toss
- **Regret over  $T$  iterations is**

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Reg}_T &= T \times \mu^\star - \text{Total expected reward} \\ &= T \times \mu^\star - \mathbb{E}[X_1 + X_2 + \cdots + X_T]\end{aligned}$$

# Round robin exploration

- Algorithm: Uniformly toss the coins in a round robin manner

- For every arm  $a$  ,  $\mathbb{E}[N_a(T)] = \frac{T}{K}$

- $\text{Reg}_T = \frac{T}{K} \sum_{a \neq a^\star} \Delta_a$  is linear !