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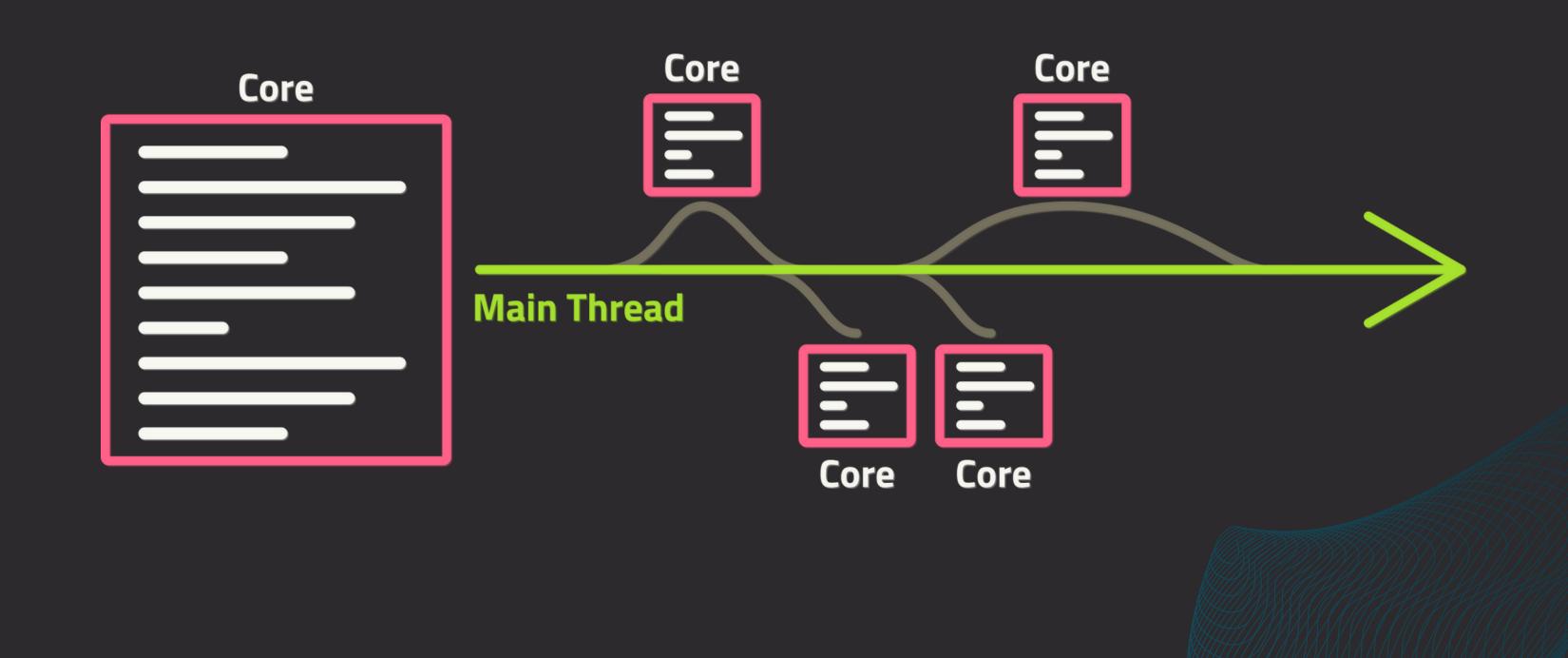
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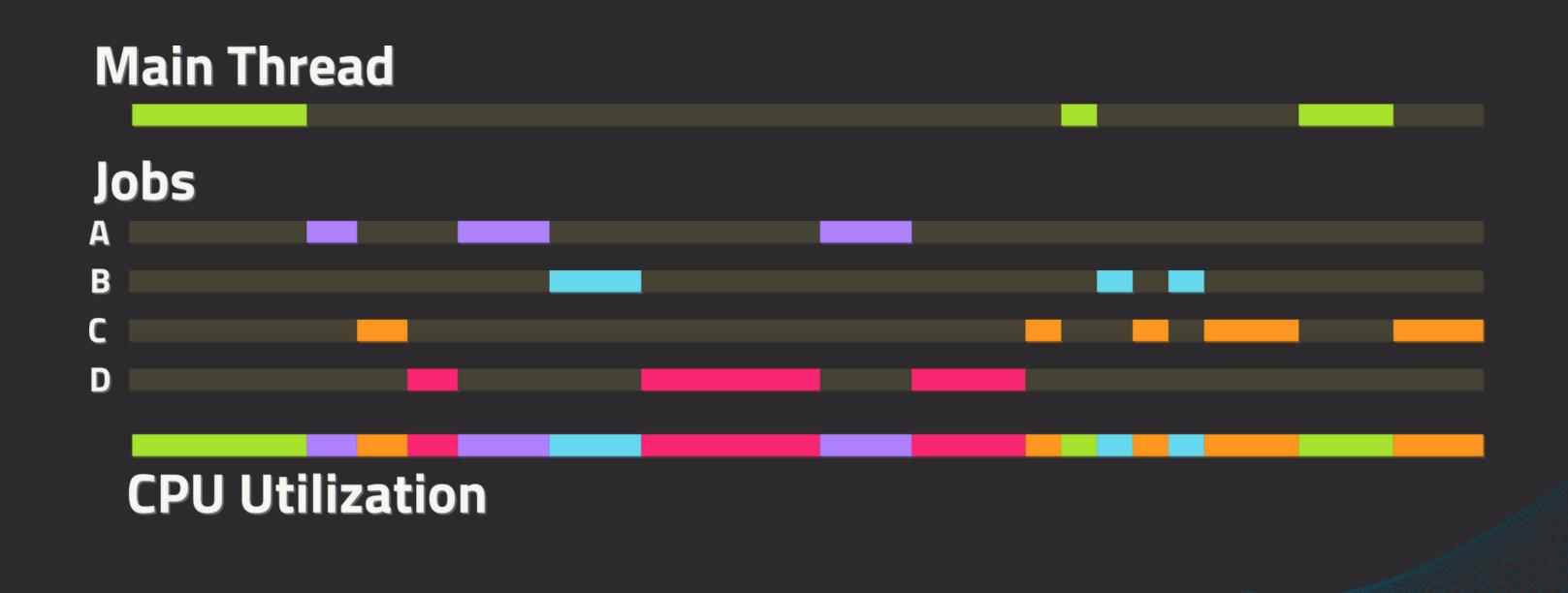
Concurrency

- Code only executes line-by-line, one line at a time
- Concurrency allows multiple lines to be executed
- Two types of concurrent code:
 - Threaded: code runs in parallel based on number of CPU cores
 - Asynchronous: code can pause and resume execution
 - While paused, other code can resume
- Go will automatically choose the appropriate concurrency method

Threaded Execution



Asynchronous Execution



Details

- Single-threaded code runs deterministically
 - Each run will produce the same result
- Concurrent code runs non-deterministically
 - Code no longer executes line-by-line in a predefined order
 - Cannot rely on results being the same each program run
- Extra care should be taken to ensure results are in order / sorted properly
 - Accomplished using **synchronization** or by checking the final results in a single thread

Recap

- Concurrent code allows full utilization of available compute resources
- Go automatically abstracts threads and asynchronous operations
 - Threaded code is used to make parallel computations on cores
 - Asynchronous code may be paused/resumed and is used for waiting on resources (like networks)
- Concurrent code runs non-deterministically
 - Synchronization or other techniques are required to ensure proper program behavior