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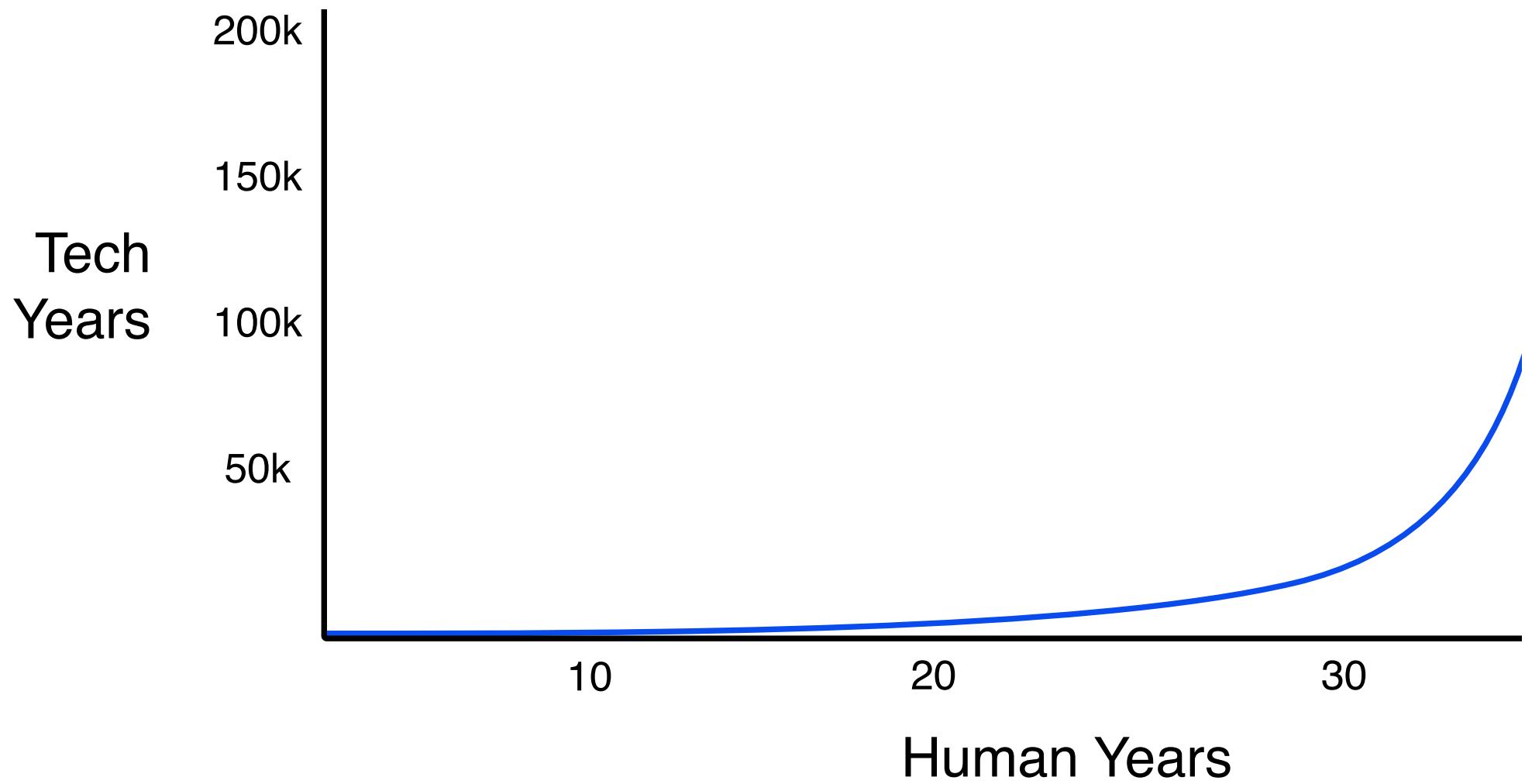


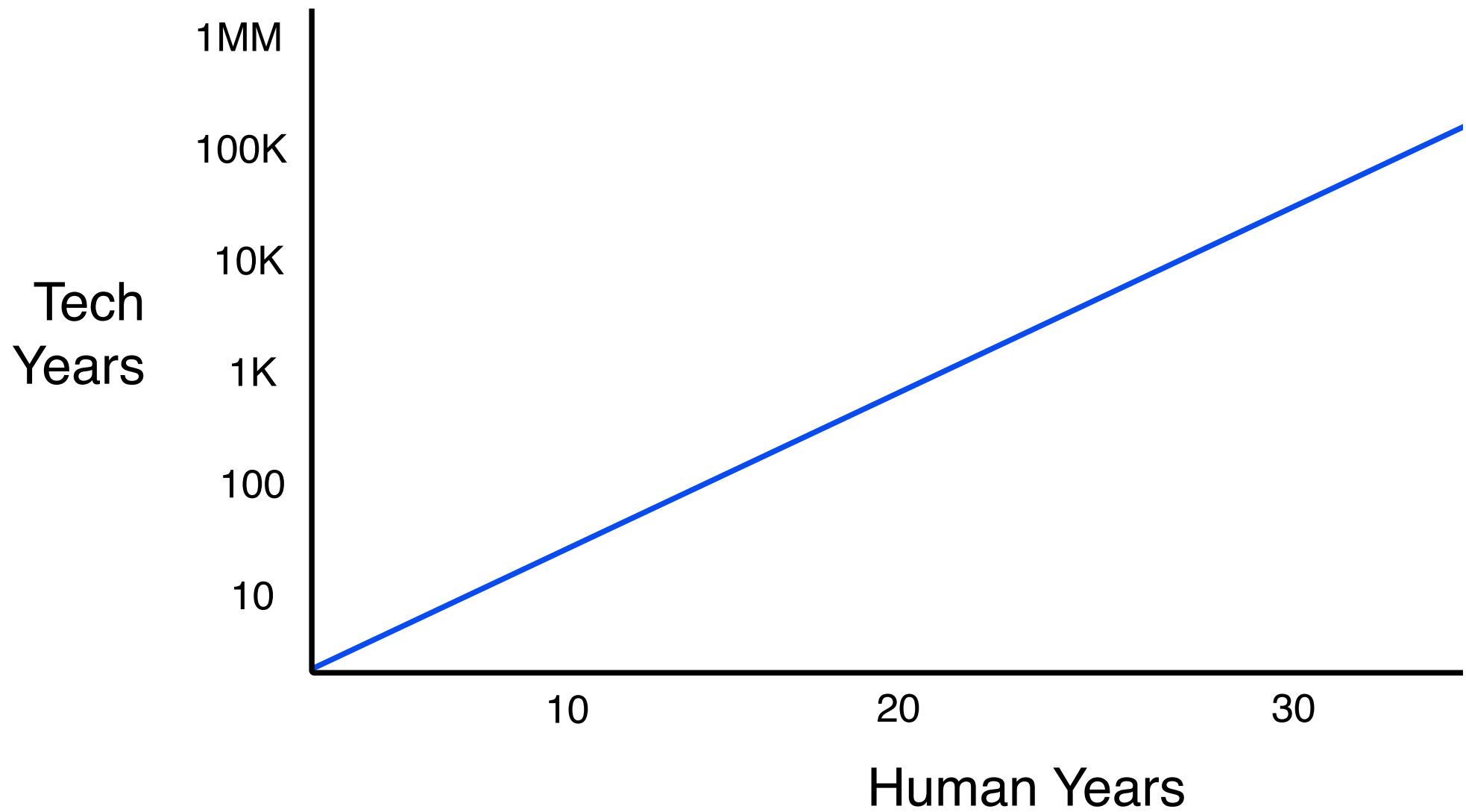
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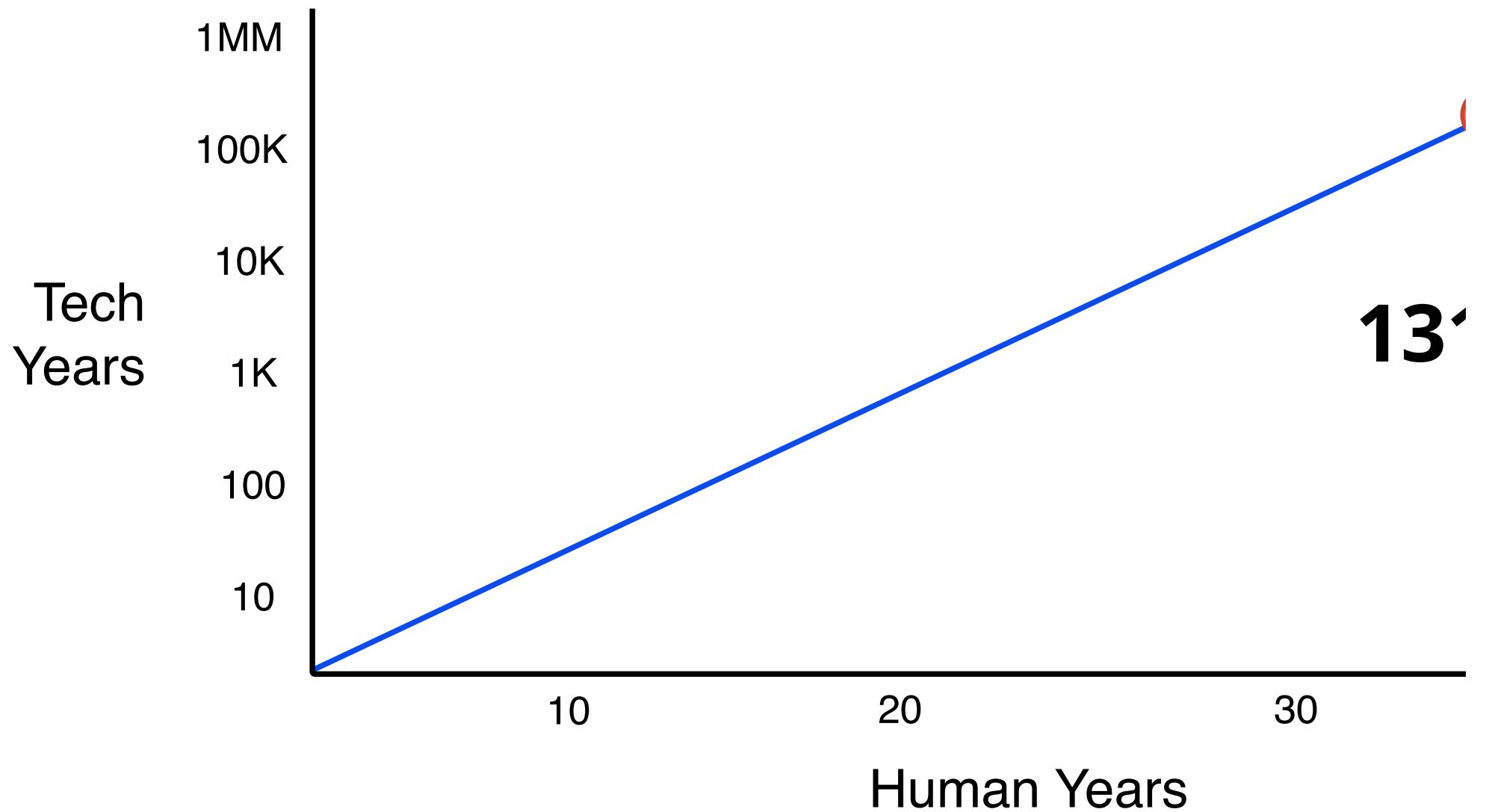


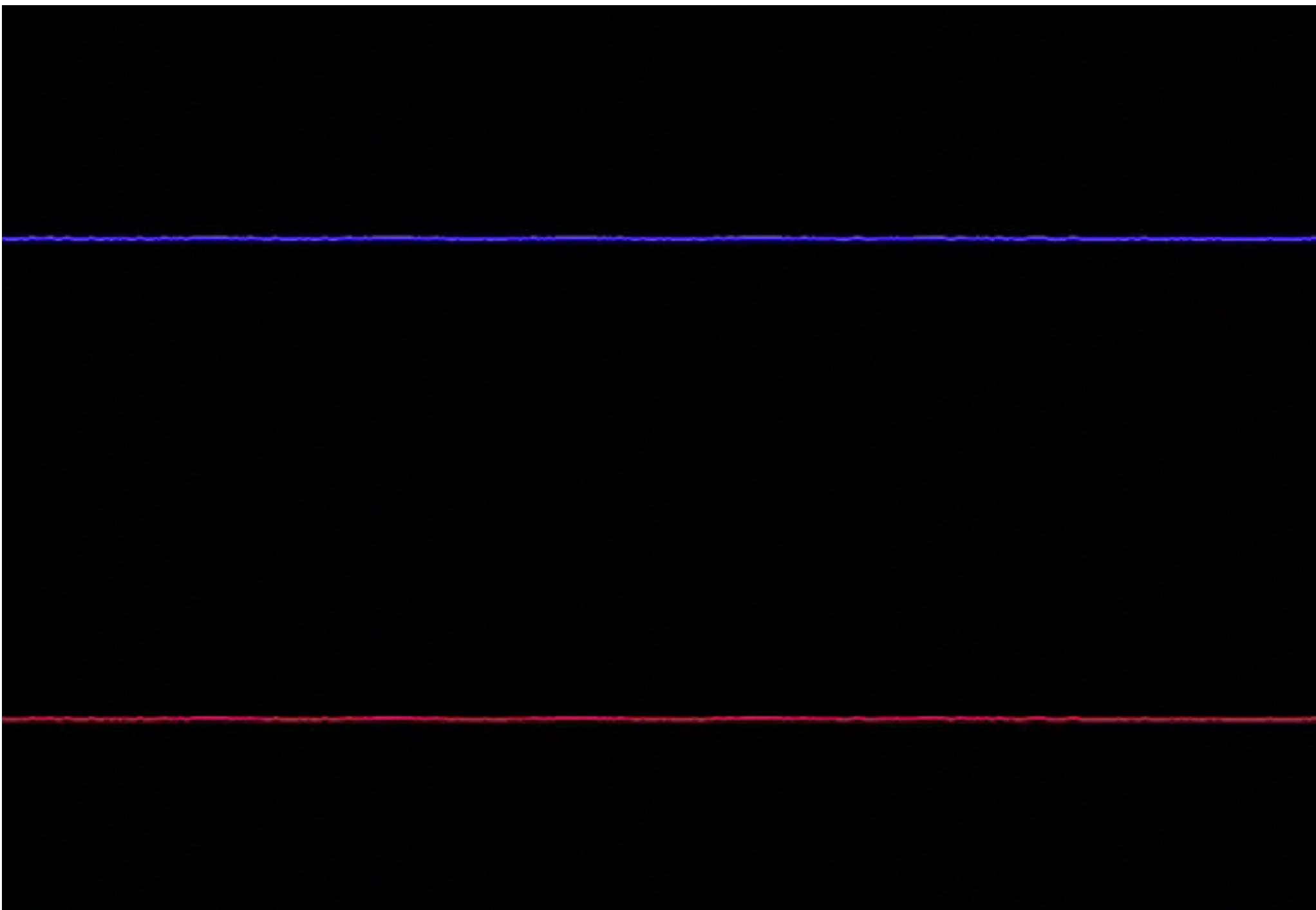
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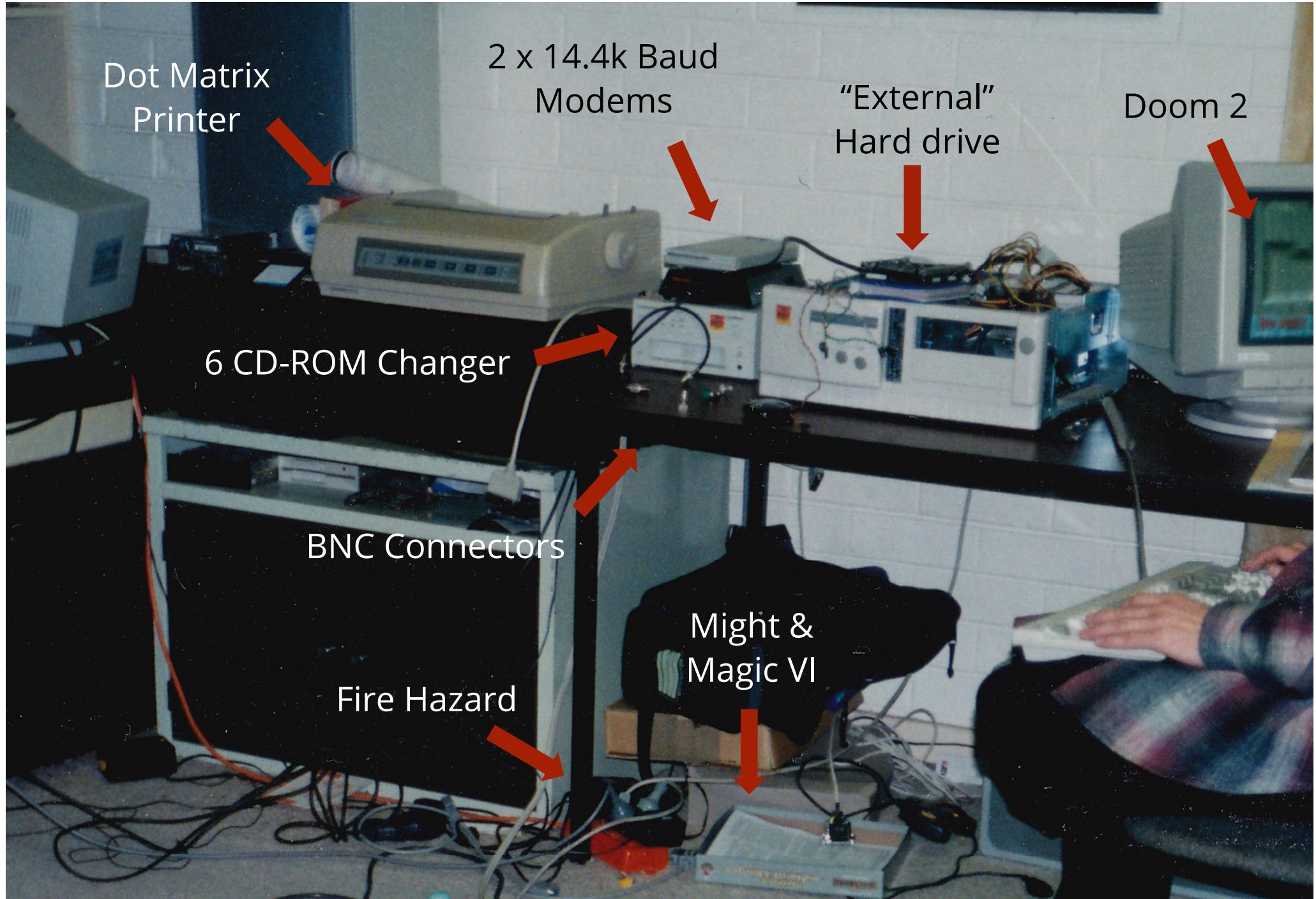
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“Any significantly advanced technology
is indistinguishable from magic.”

Arthur C. Clarke







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The history of smartphones looks something like this: At the end of 2008 the very first [Android handset](#) was available on T-Mobile in the US. The iPhone has existed for [3 years](#). The very first BlackBerry featuring push email [came out in 2002](#).

From WAP and push email to iPhone in 5 years. From one iPhone to [60 different Android handsets](#) in under 3 years. At that rate it's challenging to create a credible mobile roadmap that extends as far as 6 months - and the rate of change is *increasing*.

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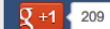
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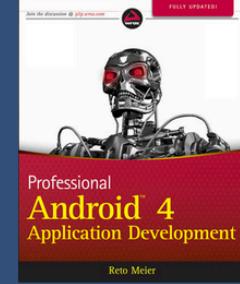
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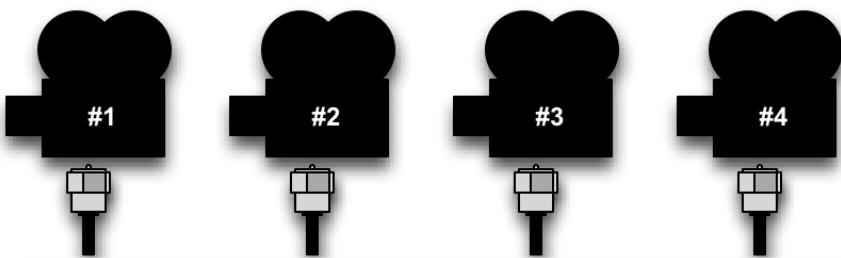
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Developing the Impossible

“Is that actually doing anything, or is it just a mock?”

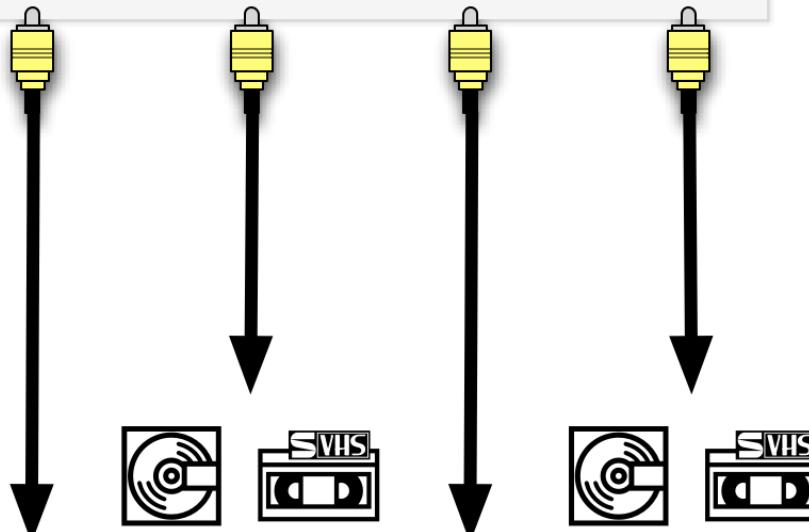
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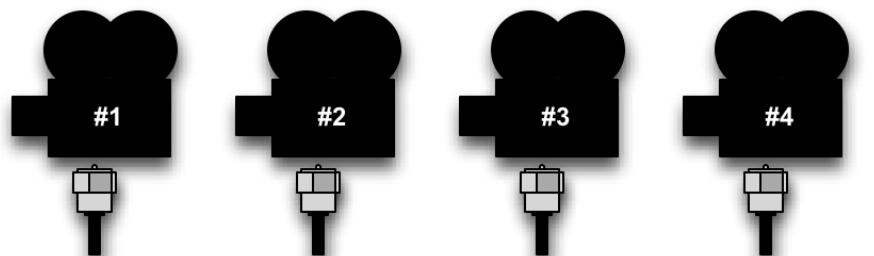


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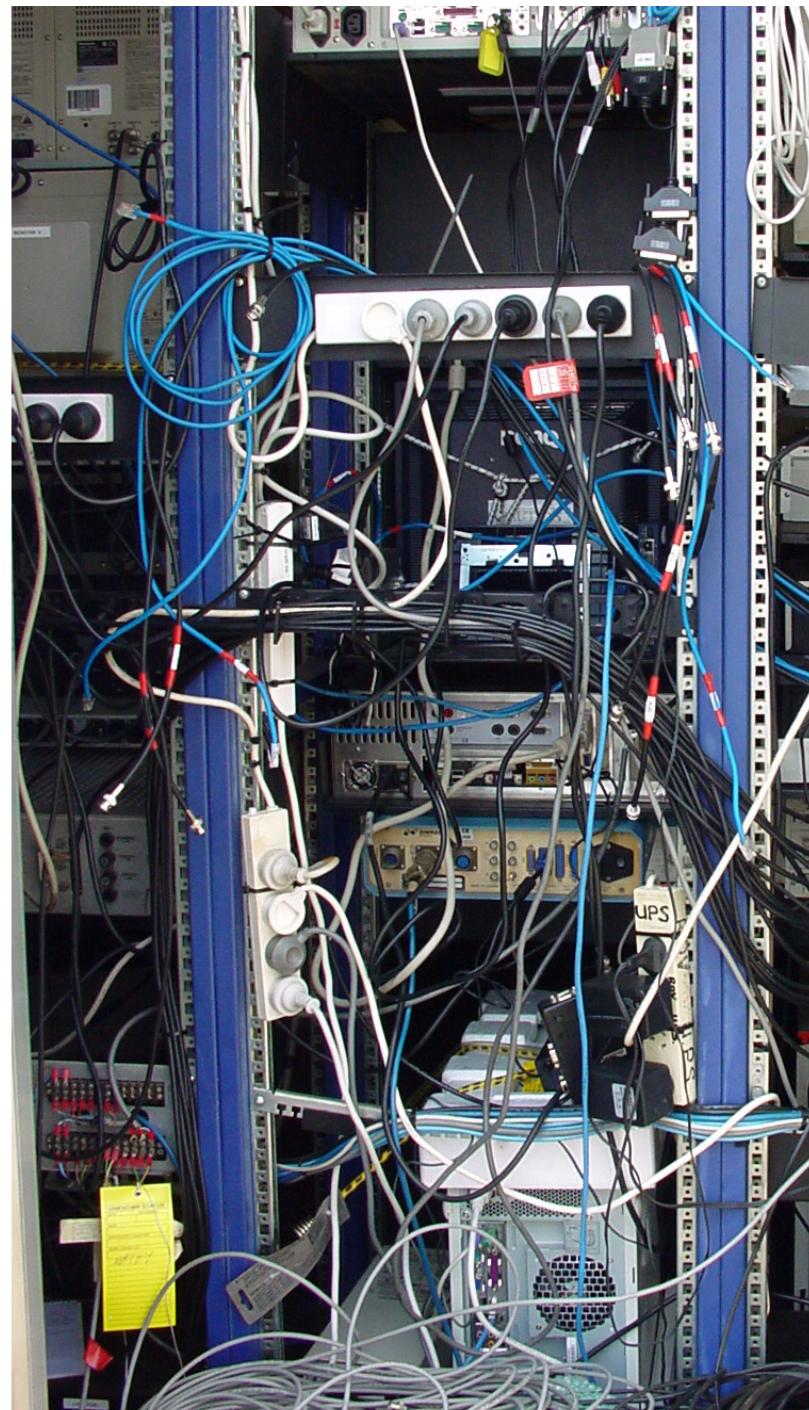
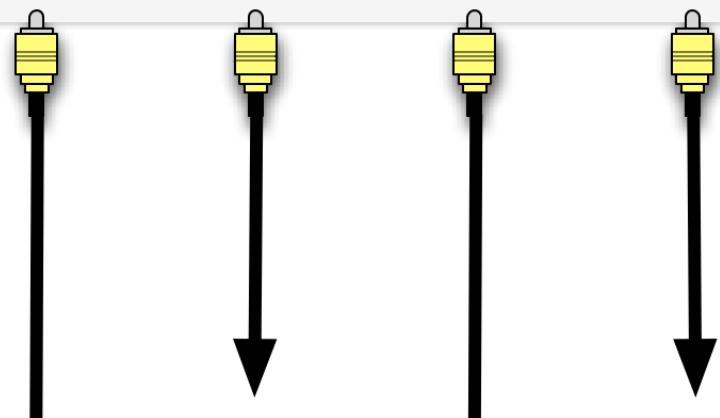


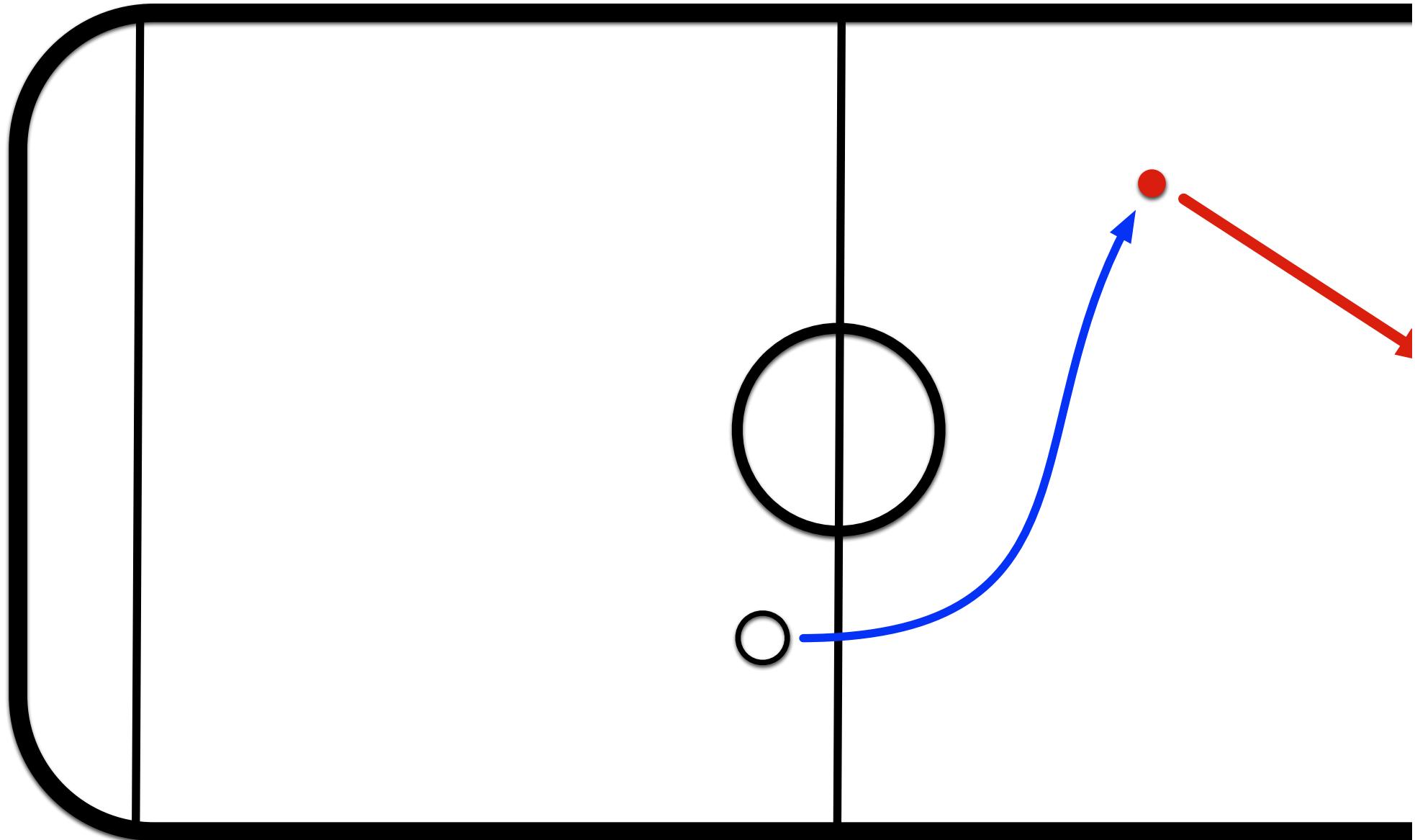


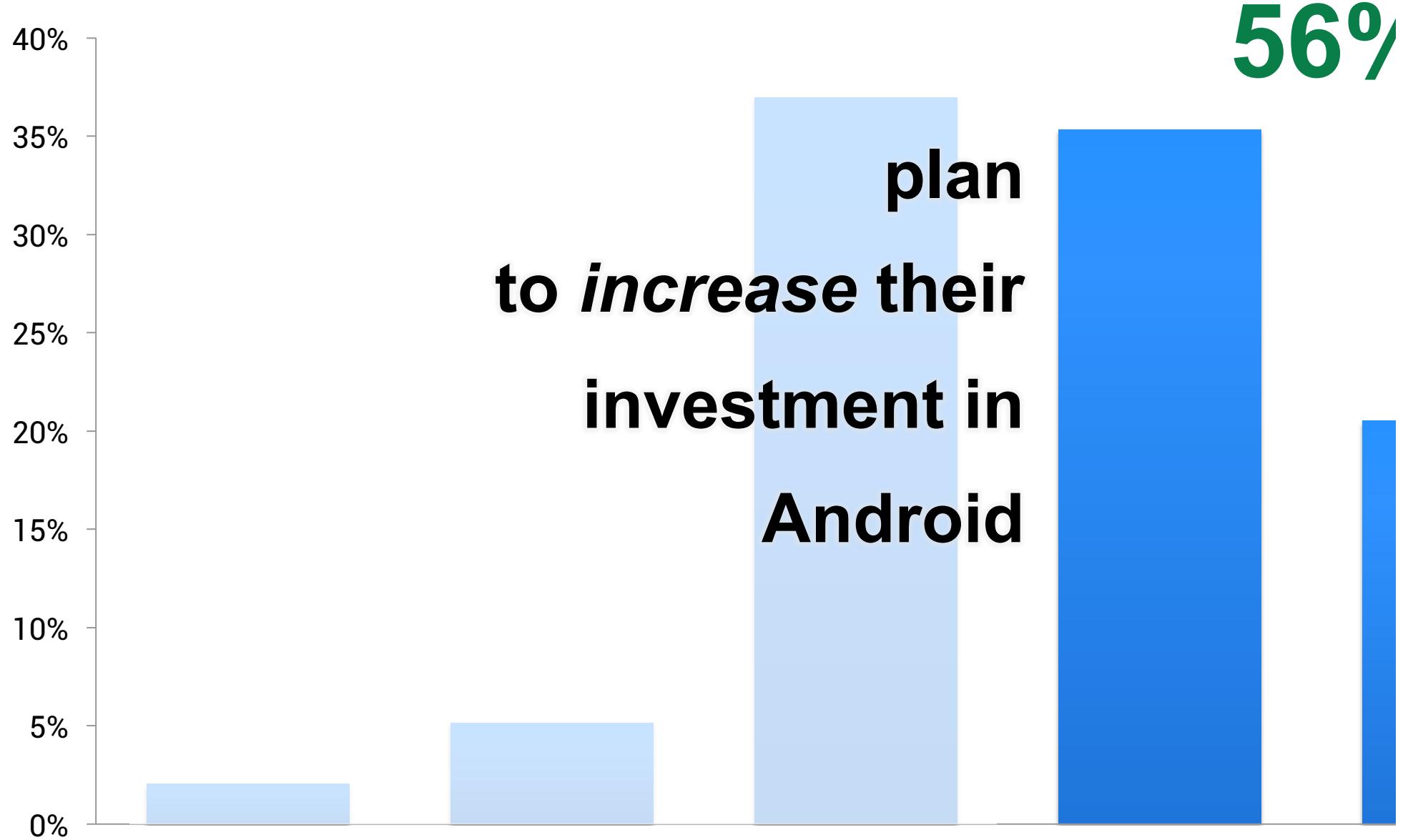
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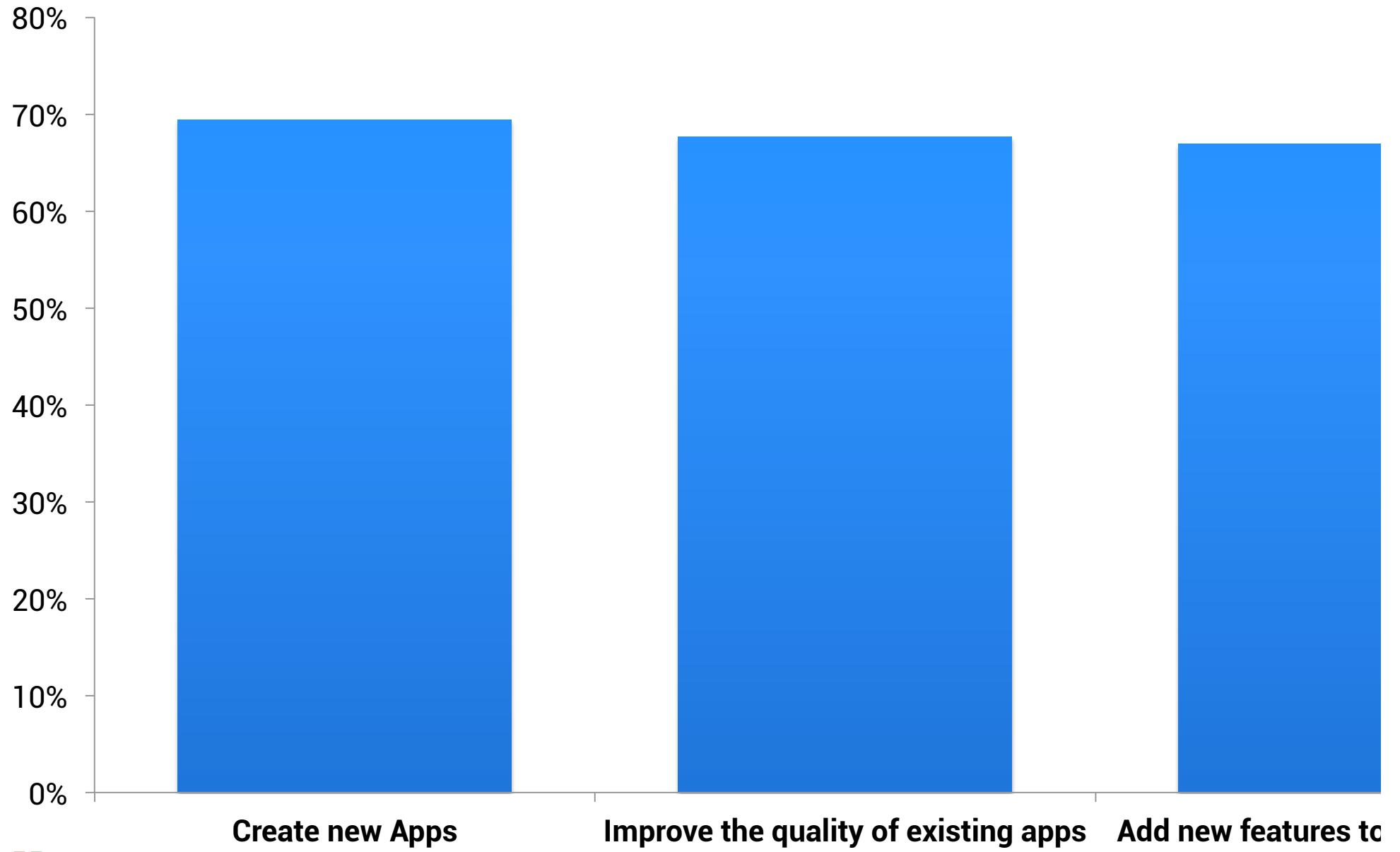


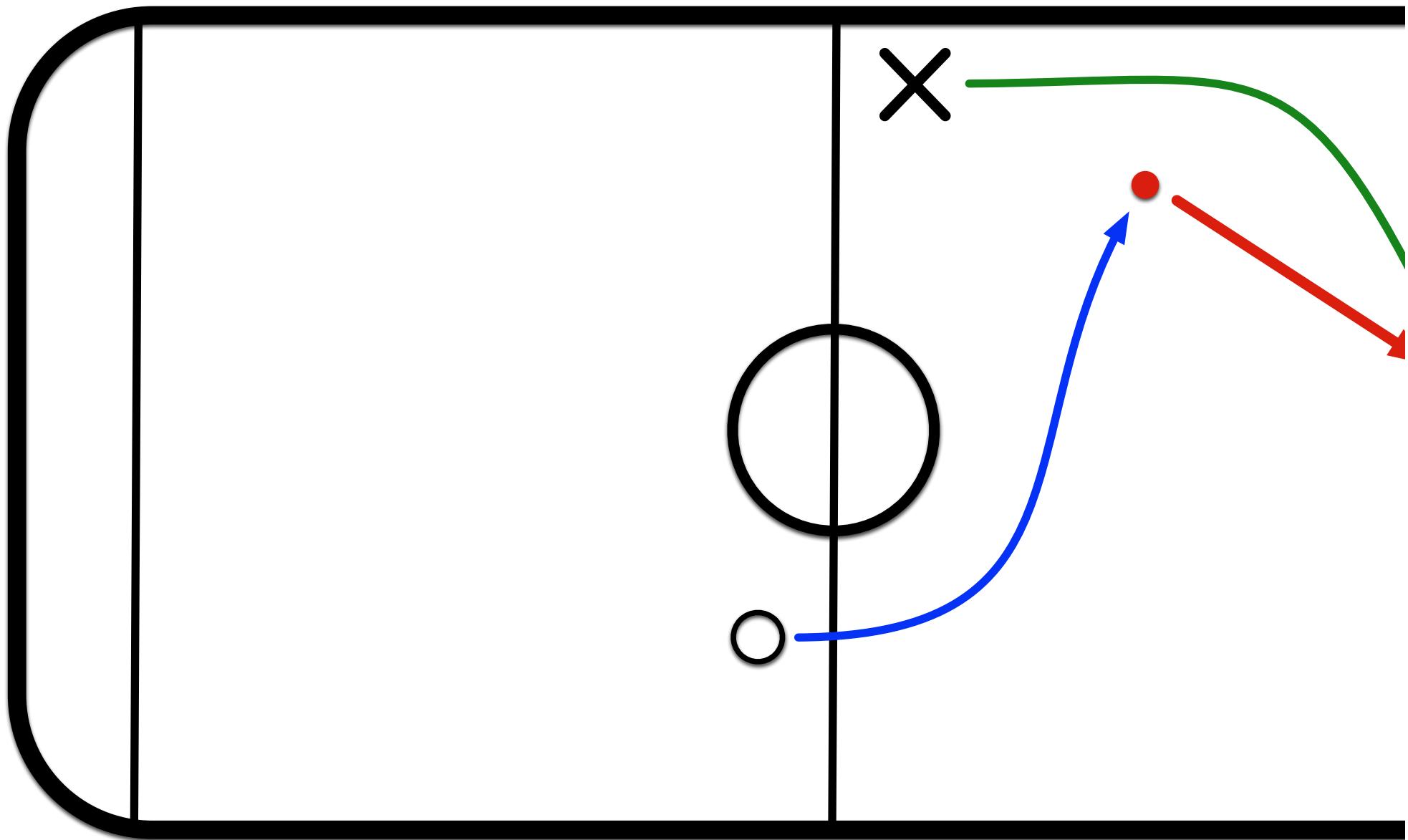
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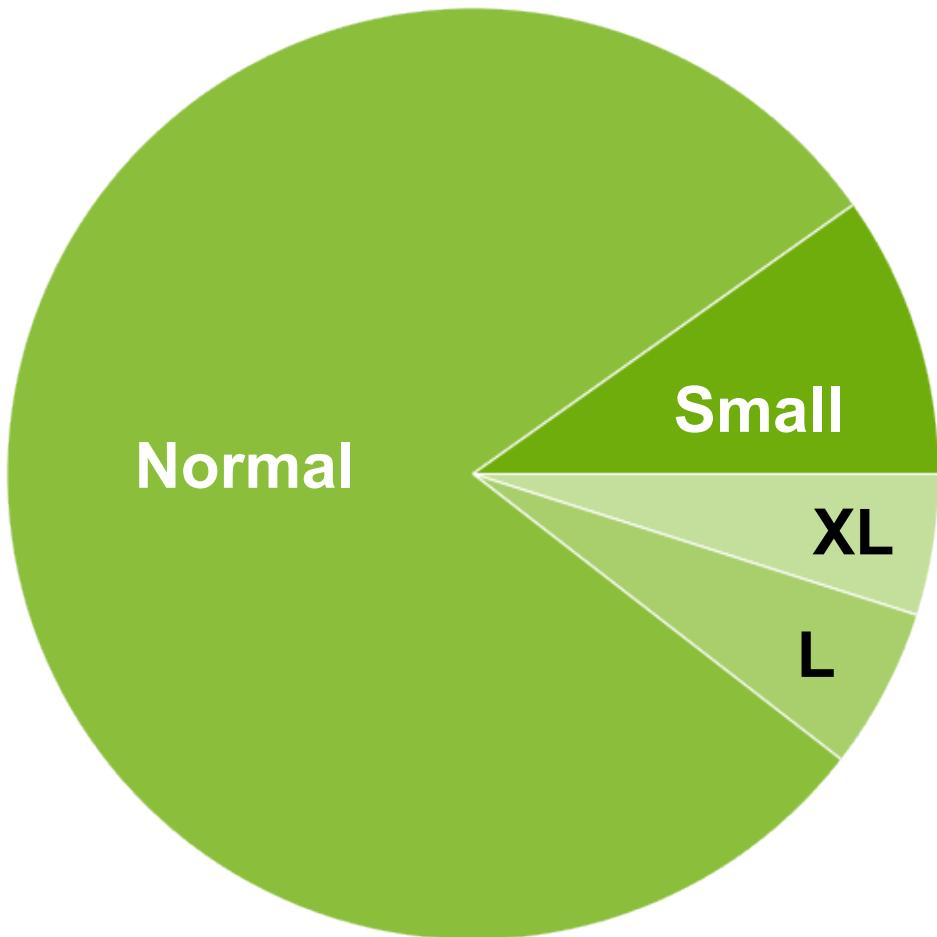


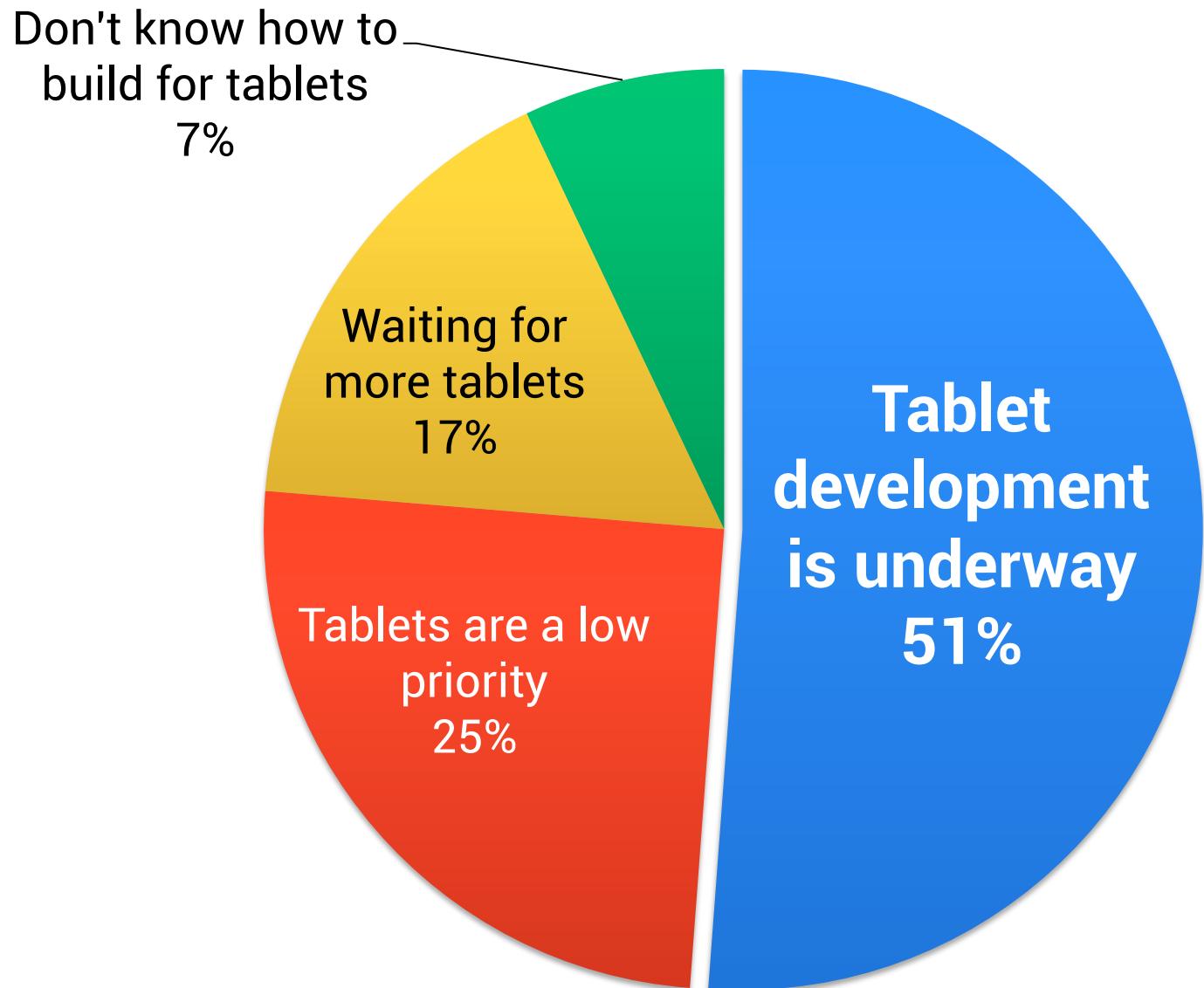


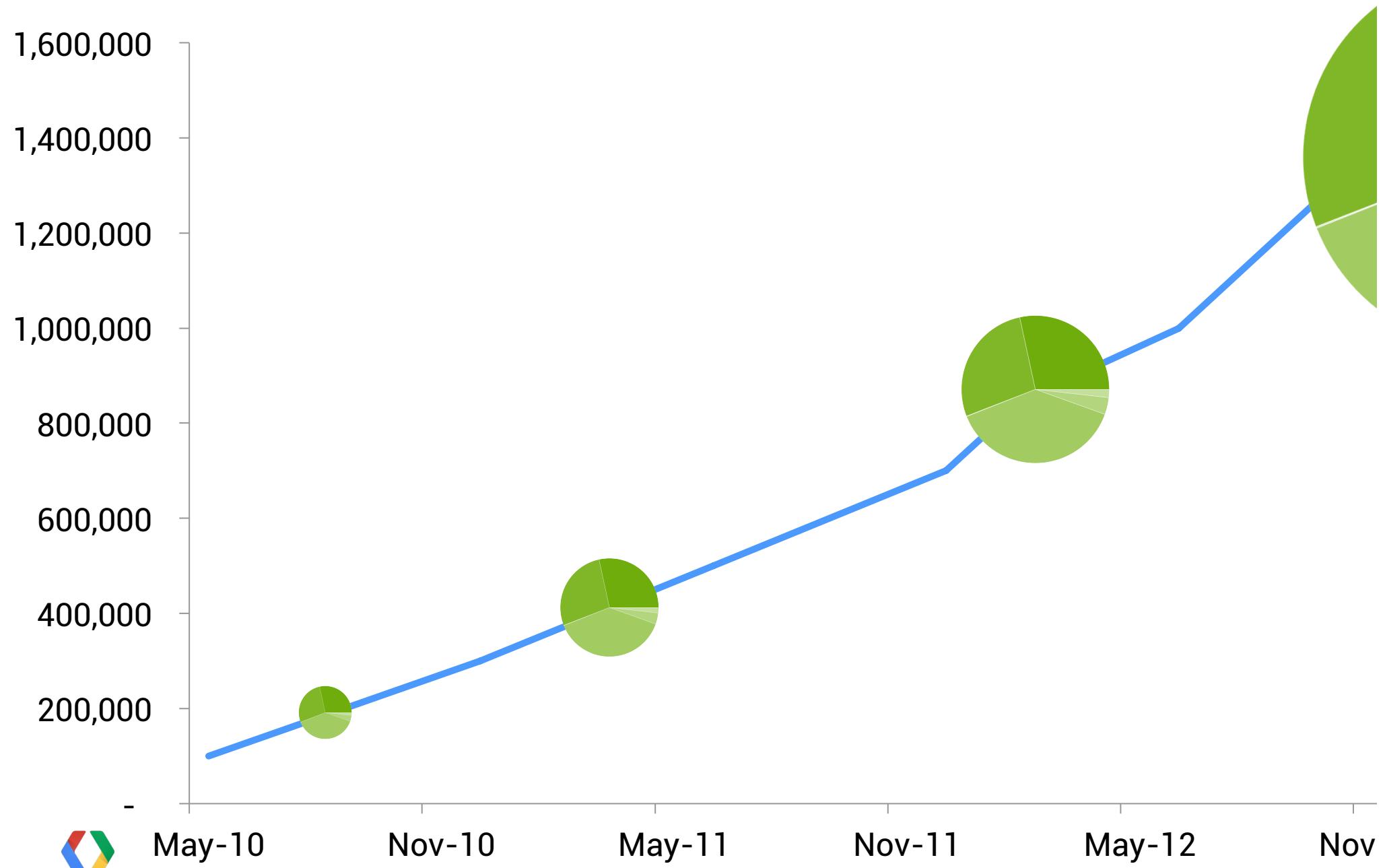














Create the best possible app
for *every* user

Android Beam

```
@Override  
protected void onResume() {  
    super.onResume();  
  
    NfcAdapter nfcAdapter = NfcAdapter.getDefaultAdapter(this);  
    nfcAdapter.setNdefPushMessageCallback(new CreateNdefMessageCallba  
    public NdefMessage createNdefMessage(NfcEvent event) {  
        NdefMessage message = createMessage();  
        return message;  
    }  
}, this);  
...  
}
```



Android Beam

```
private void createMessage() {  
    String mimeType = "application/com.myapp.nfcbeam";  
    byte[] mimeBytes = mimeType.getBytes(Charset.forName("US-ASCII"))  
  
    String payload = // TODO Contextualized payload.  
  
    NdefMessage nfcMessage = new NdefMessage(new NdefRecord[] {  
        new NdefRecord(NdefRecord.TNF_MIME_MEDIA, mimeBytes, new byte[],  
        payload.getBytes()) ,  
  
        NdefRecord.createApplicationRecord("com.myapp.nfcbeam")  
    } );  
}
```



Android Beam

```
<intent-filter>
    <action android:name="android.nfc.action.NDEF_DISCOVERED"/>
    <category android:name="android.intent.category.DEFAULT"/>
    <data android:mimeType="application/com.myapp.nfcbeam"/>
</intent-filter>
```



Android Beam

```
private void extractPayload(Intent beamIntent) {  
    Parcelable[] messages = beamIntent.getParcelableArrayExtra(  
        NfcAdapter.EXTRA_NDEF_MESSAGES);  
  
    NdefAdapter message = (NdefMessage) message[0];  
    NdefRecord record = message.getRecords()[0];  
  
    String payload = new String(record.getPayload());  
    navigateTo(payload);  
}
```



Lockscreen Widgets

```
<appwidget-provider ...>  
    ...  
            android:widgetCategory="keyguard|home_screen"  
</appwidget-provider>
```



Lockscreen Widgets

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```
Bundle opt = appWidgetManager.getAppWidgetOptions(widgetId);  
  
int cat = opt.getInt(AppWidgetManager.OPTION_APPWIDGET_HOST_CATEGORY);  
  
boolean isKeyguard = cat == AppWidgetProviderInfo.WIDGET_CATEGORY_KEYGUARD;  
int baseLayout = isKeyguard ? R.layout.keyguard_widget_layout :  
    R.layout.widget_layout;
```





“Context isn’t important...”

“Context isn’t important, it’s critical.”

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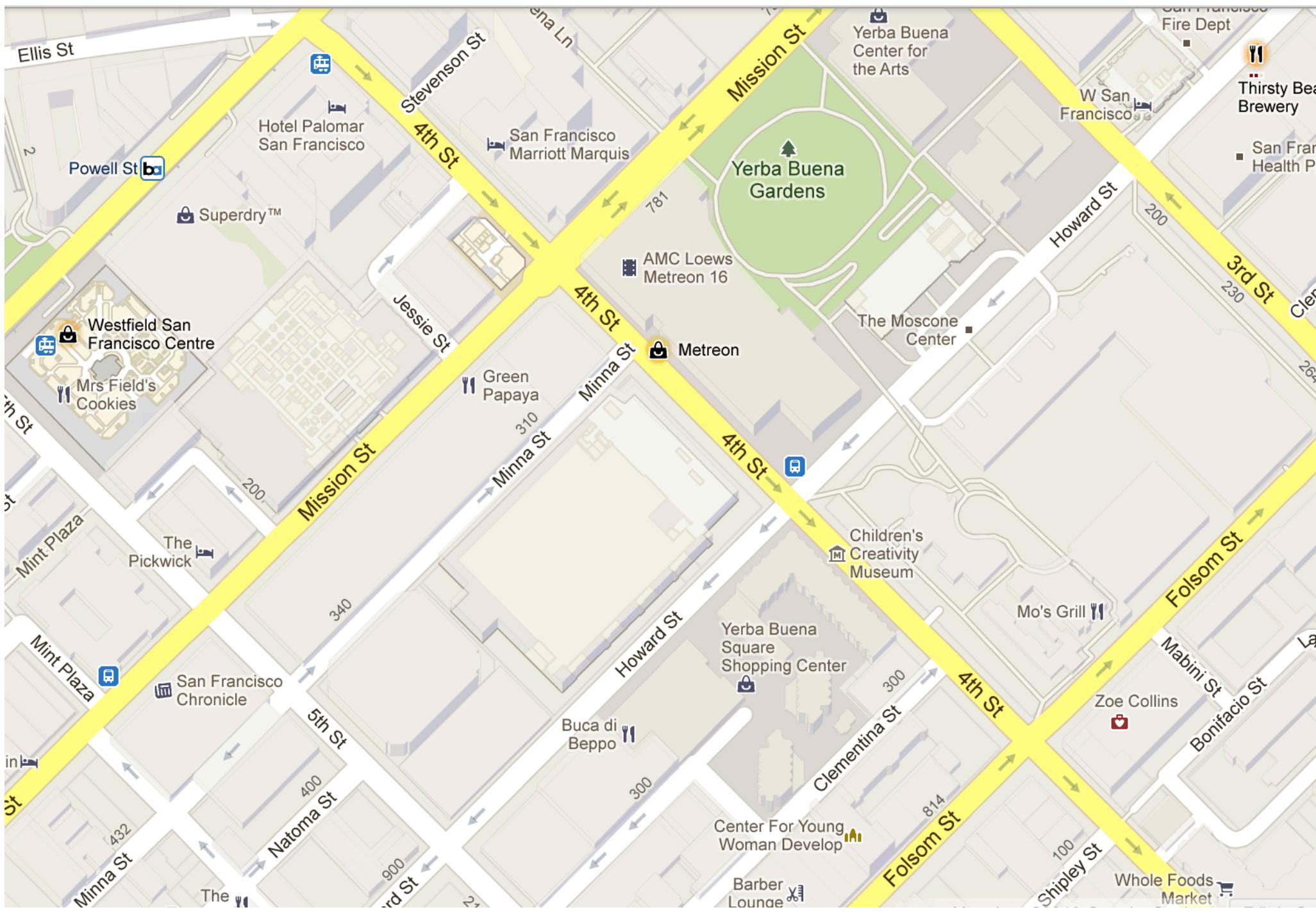
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Using Intents to monitor location changes

- Specify a Pending Intent to broadcast when the location changes.
- Location is stored as an extra: KEY_LOCATION_CHANGED.
- Useful for multiple Activities / Services that track location.

```
final int resultCode = 0;
final String locAction = "com.ioApp.LOCATION_UPDATE";
int flags = PendingIntent.FLAG_UPDATE_CURRENT;

Intent intent = new Intent(locAction);
PendingIntent pi = PendingIntent.getBroadcast(this,
    resultCode, intent, flags);

locationManager.requestLocationUpdates(provider, minT:
```

Use Interfaces for backwards compatibility

```
private static boolean newSensorAPIsSupported =
    Build.VERSION.SDK_INT >= Build.VERSION_CODES.CUPCAKE;

boolean gyroExists =
    getPackageManager().hasSystemFeature(
        PackageManager.FEATURE_SENSOR_GYROSCOPE);

IOrientationSensorListener myListener;
if (gyroExists)
    myListener = new GyroOrientationSensorListener();
else if (newSensorAPIsSupported)
    myListener = new AccOrientationSensorListener();
else
    myListener = new AccOldOrientationSensor();

myListener.setOrientationChangeListen
```

Use Intents to update location when your app isn't running



Monitor inactive providers for a better option

```
locationManager.getBestProvider(criteria, false);
public void onProviderEnabled(String provider){
    // Switch providers!
}
```

Using Intents to monitor location changes

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```
BroadcastReceiver locReceiver = new BroadcastReceiver() {
    @Override
    public void onReceive(Context context, Intent intent) {
        String key = LocationManager.KEY_LOCATION_CHANGED;
        Location location = (Location)intent.getExtras().get(key);
        // [... Do something with the new location ...]
    }
};
IntentFilter locIntentFilter = new IntentFilter(locAction);
registerReceiver(locReceiver, locIntentFilter);
```

Check the last known location

```
List<String> providers = lm.getProviders();
for (String provider: providers) {
    Location location = lm.getLastKnownLocation(provider);
    float accuracy = location.getAccuracy();
    long time = location.getTime();
    // This is the best previously known location
}
```

Using Intents to passively detect location changes

- Your app updates even if it's not running.
- No incremental battery cost.
- Start a Service to refresh the data without user interaction.

```
<receiver android:name=".locReceiver" android:enabled="true">
    <intent-filter>
        <action android:name="com.ioApp.LOCATION_CHANGED" />
    </intent-filter>
```

- Receives location updates
- Requires ACCESS_FINE_LOCATION permission
- Location.getProvider()

```
String passiveProvider = LocationManager.PASSIVE_PROVIDER;
locationManager.requestLocationUpdates(null, 0, 0,
```

Using Intents to monitor location changes

- Specify a Pending Intent to broadcast when the location changes.
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- Useful for multiple Activities / Services

```
final int resultCode = 0;
final String locAction = "com.google.android.location.intent.action.LOCATION_CHANGED";
int flags = PendingIntent.FLAG_UPDATE_CURRENT;

Intent intent = new Intent(locAction);
PendingIntent pi = PendingIntent.getBroadcast(resultCode, intent, flags);

locationManager.requestLocationUpdates(provider, 0, 0, pi);
```

Use Intent



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IOrientationSensor gyroExist = Build.VERSION.SDK_INT >= Build.VERSION_CODES.HONEYCOMB ? (IOrientationSensor) getPackageManager().getPackageManager().getInstrumentation().getOrientationSensor() : null;

```
if (gyroExist) {
    myListener = new GyroOrientationListener();
} else if (news != null) {
    myListener = news;
} else {
    myListener = new OrientationListener();
}
```

myListener.setOrientationListener(this);

A Deep Dive Into Location
by Tim Bray

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A Deep Dive Into Location

[This post is by [Reto Meier](#), Tech Lead for Android Developer Relations, who [wrote the book](#) on Android App development. — Tim Bray]

I'm a big fan of location-based apps, but not their seemingly-inevitable startup latency.

Whether it's finding a place to eat or searching for the nearest [Boris Bike](#), I find the delay while waiting for the GPS to get a fix, and then for the results list to populate, to be interminable. Once I'm in a venue and ready to get some tips, check-in, or review the food, I'm frequently thwarted by a lack of data connection.

Rather than shaking my fist at the sky, I've written an open-source reference app that incorporates all of the tips, tricks, and cheats I know to reduce the time between opening an app and seeing an up-to-date list of nearby venues - as well as providing a reasonable level of offline support — all while keeping the impact on battery life to a minimum.

Show Me the Code

```
        // ... do something with the new location ...
    }
}

IntentFilter locIntentFilter = new IntentFilter(locAction);
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```

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Check the last known location

```
List<String> providers = lm.getProviders();
for (String provider: providers) {
    Location location = lm.getLastKnownLocation(provider);
    location.getAccuracy();
    location.getLatitude();
    location.getLongitude();
}
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```

package com.radioactiveyak.location_best_practices.utils;

import com.radioactiveyak.location_best_practices.PlacesConstants;
import com.radioactiveyak.location_best_practices.utils.base.LocationUpdateRequester;

import android.app.AlarmManager;
import android.app.PendingIntent;
import android.location.Criteria;
import android.location.LocationManager;

/*
 * Provides support for initiating active and passive location updates for all Android platforms from Android 1.6.
 * Uses broadcast Intents to notify the app of location changes.
 */
public class LegacyLocationUpdateRequester extends LocationUpdateRequester {

    protected AlarmManager alarmManager;

    protected LegacyLocationUpdateRequester(LocationManager locationManager) {
        super(locationManager);
        this.alarmManager = alarmManager;
    }

    /**
     * {@inheritDoc}
     */
    @Override
    public void requestLocationUpdates(long minTime, long minDistance) {
        // Prior to Gingerbread we needed to find the best provider manually
        // Note that we aren't monitoring this provider to check if it's available
        String provider = locationManager.getBestProvider(criteria, true);
        if (provider != null)
            locationManager.requestLocationUpdates(provider, minTime, minDistance);
    }

    /**
     * {@inheritDoc}
     */
    @Override
    public void requestPassiveLocationUpdates(long minTime, long minDistance) {
        // Pre-Froyo there was no Passive Location Provider, so instead
        // that will trigger once the minimum time between passive updates
        // is longer than simple passive alarms, however the Receiver will ensure
        // distance before initiating a background nearby location update
        alarmManager.setInexactRepeating(AlarmManager.ELAPSED_REALTIME_WAKEUP,
                                         minTime, minDistance, pendingIntent);
    }
}

/**
 * One-off location listener that receives updates from the last known location
 * This is triggered where the last known location is outside the bounds of the
 * distance and latency.
 */
protected LocationListener oneShotLastLocationUpdateListener = new LocationListener() {
    public void onLocationChanged(Location l) {
        updatePlaces(l, PlacesConstants.DEFAULT_RADIUS, true);
    }

    public void onProviderDisabled(String provider) {}
    public void onStatusChanged(String provider, int status, Bundle extra) {}
    public void onProviderEnabled(String provider) {}
};

/**
 * If the best Location Provider (usually GPS) is not available when we
 * requestLocationUpdates, this listener will be notified if / when it becomes available
 * and re-register the location listeners using the better Location Provider.
 */
protected LocationListener bestInactiveLocationProviderListener = new LocationListener() {
    public void onLocationChanged(Location l) {}
    public void onProviderDisabled(String provider) {}
    public void onStatusChanged(String provider, int status, Bundle extra) {}
    public void onProviderEnabled(String provider) {
        // Re-register the location listeners using the better Location Provider
        requestLocationUpdates();
    }
};

/**
 * If the Location Provider we're using to receive location updates is
 * disabled, this Receiver will be notified, allowing us to re-register
 * the location listeners using the best available Location Provider
 */
protected BroadcastReceiver locProviderDisabledReceiver = new BroadcastReceiver() {
    @Override
    public void onReceive(Context context, Intent intent) {
        boolean providerDisabled = !intent.getBooleanExtra(LocationManager.EXTRA_PROVIDER_ENABLED, false);
        if (providerDisabled)
            requestLocationUpdates();
    }
};

```

```

package com.radioactiveyak.location_best_practices.utils;

import com.radioactiveyak.location_best_practices.PlacesConstants;
import com.radioactiveyak.location_best_practices.utils.base.LocationListener;

import android.app.AlarmManager;
import android.app.PendingIntent;
import android.location.Criteria;
import android.location.LocationManager;

/*
 * Provides support for initiating active and passive location updates for all Android platforms from Android 1.6.
 * Uses broadcast Intents to notify the app of location changes.
 */
public class LegacyLocationUpdateRequester extends LocationUpdateRequester {
    protected AlarmManager alarmManager;

    protected LegacyLocationUpdateRequester(LocationManager locationManager) {
        super(locationManager);
        this.alarmManager = alarmManager;
    }

    /**
     * {@inheritDoc}
     */
    @Override
    public void requestLocationUpdates(long minTime, long minDistance) {
        // Prior to Gingerbread we needed to find the best provider manually
        // Note that we aren't monitoring this provider to check if it's still available
        String provider = locationManager.getBestProvider(criteria, true);
        if (provider != null)
            locationManager.requestLocationUpdates(provider, minTime, minDistance);
    }

    /**
     * {@inheritDoc}
     */
    @Override
    public void requestPassiveLocationUpdates(long minTime, long minDistance) {
        // Pre-Froyo there was no Passive Location Provider, so instead
        // that will trigger once the minimum time between passive updates is longer
        // than simple passive alarms, however the Receiver will ensure
        // distance before initiating a background nearby location update
        alarmManager.setInexactRepeating(AlarmManager.ELAPSED_REALTIME_WAKEUP,
                                         minTime,
                                         minTime,
                                         pendingIntent);
    }
}

class LocationUpdateRequester {
    /**
     * One-off location listener that receives updates from the last known location
     * This is triggered where the last known location is outside the bounds of the
     * distance and latency.
     */
    protected LocationListener oneShotLastLocationUpdateListener = new LocationListener() {
        public void onLocationChanged(Location l) {
            updatePlaces(l, PlacesConstants.DEFAULT_RADIUS, true);
        }

        public void onProviderDisabled(String provider) {
            <receiver android:name=".receivers.LocationChangedReceiver" />
            <receiver android:name=".receivers.PassiveLocationChangedReceiver" />
            <receiver android:name=".receivers.ConnectivityChangeReceiver" />
            <intent-filter>
                <action android:name="android.net.conn.CONNECTIVITY_CHANGE" />
                <action android:name="com.radioactiveyak.places.UPDATE_PLACES" />
            </intent-filter>
        }
        public void onProviderEnabled(String provider) {
            <receiver android:name=".receivers.PowerStateChangeReceiver" />
            <intent-filter>
                <action android:name="android.intent.action.ACTION_POWER_CONNECTED" />
                <action android:name="android.intent.action.ACTION_POWER_DISCONNECTED" />
            </intent-filter>
        }
        public void onStatusChanged(String provider, int status, Bundle extras) {
            <receiver android:name=".receivers.NewCheckinReceiver" />
            <intent-filter>
                <action android:name="com.radioactiveyak.places.NEW_CHECKIN" />
            </intent-filter>
        }
        public void onBootCompleted(Context context) {
            <receiver android:name=".receivers.BootReceiver" />
            <intent-filter>
                <action android:name="android.intent.action.BOOT_COMPLETED" />
            </intent-filter>
        }
    };

    protected BroadcastReceiver locProviderDisabledReceiver = new BroadcastReceiver() {
        @Override
        public void onReceive(Context context, Intent intent) {
            boolean providerDisabled = !intent.getBooleanExtra(LocationManager.EXTRA_PROVIDER_ENABLED, false);
            if (providerDisabled)
                requestLocationUpdates();
        }
    };
}

```

```

@Override
public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
    super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
    // Inflate the layout
    setContentView(R.layout.main);

    // Get a handle to the Fragments
    placeListFragment = (PlaceListFragment) getSupportFragmentManager().findFragmentById(R.id.list_fragment);
    checkinFragment = (CheckinFragment) getSupportFragmentManager().findFragmentById(R.id.checkin_fragment);

    // Get references to the managers
    packageManager = getPackageManager();
    notificationManager = (NotificationManager) getSystemService(Context.NOTIFICATION_SERVICE);
    locationManager = (LocationManager) getSystemService(Context.LOCATION_SERVICE);

    // Get a reference to the Shared Preferences and a Shared Preference Editor.
    prefs = getSharedPreferences(PlacesConstants.SHARED_PREFERENCE_FILE, Context.MODE_PRIVATE);
    prefsEditor = prefs.edit();

    // Instantiate a SharedPreferenceSaver class based on the available platform version.
    // This will be used to save shared preferences
    sharedPreferencesSaver = PlatformSpecificImplementationFactory.getSharedPreferenceSaver(this);

    // Save that we've been run once.
    prefsEditor.putBoolean(PlacesConstants.SP_KEY_RUN_ONCE, true);
    sharedPreferencesSaver.savePreferences(prefsEditor, false);

    // Specify the Criteria to use when requesting location updates while the application is Active
    criteria = new Criteria();
    if (PlacesConstants.USE_GPS_WHEN_ACTIVITY_VISIBLE)
        criteria.setAccuracy(Criteria.ACCURACY_FINE);
    else
        criteria.setPowerRequirement(Criteria.POWER_LOW);

    // Setup the location update Pending Intents
    Intent activeIntent = new Intent(this, LocationChangedReceiver.class);
    locationListenerPendingIntent = PendingIntent.getBroadcast(this, 0, activeIntent, PendingIntent.FLAG_UPDATE_CURRENT);

    Intent passiveIntent = new Intent(this, PassiveLocationChangedReceiver.class);
    locationListenerPassivePendingIntent = PendingIntent.getBroadcast(this, 0, passiveIntent, PendingIntent.FLAG_UPDATE_CURRENT);

    // Instantiate a LastlocationFinder class.
    // This will be used to find the last known location when the application starts.
    lastLocationFinder = PlatformSpecificImplementationFactory.getLastLocationFinder(this);
    lastLocationFinder.setChangedLocationListener(oneShotLastLocationUpdateListener);

    // Instantiate a Location Update Requester class based on the available platform version.
    // This will be used to request location updates.
    locationUpdateRequester = PlatformSpecificImplementationFactory.getLocationUpdateRequester(locationManager);
    locationManager.requestLocationUpdates(provider, minTime, m
}

/**
 * {@inheritDoc}
 */
@Override
public void requestPassiveLocationUpdates(long minTime, long minDistance) {
    // Pre-Froyo there was no Passive Location Provider, so instead
    // that will trigger once the minimum time between passive updates
    // is longer than simple passive alarms, however the Receiver will ensure
    // distance before initiating a background nearby location update
    alarmManager.setInexactRepeating(AlarmManager.ELAPSED_REALTIME_WAKEUP, minTime, minDistance, m
}
}

    /**
     * If the Location Listener has been triggered and the
     * app is running, then the Passive Location Provider
     * Receivers using the same provider will be triggered
     */
protected BroadcastReceivers locProviderDisabledReceiver = new BroadcastReceivers() {
    @Override
    public void onReceive(Context context, Intent intent) {
        boolean providerDisabled = !intent.getBooleanExtra(LocationManager.KEY_PROVIDER_DISABLED, false);
        if (providerDisabled)
            requestLocationUpdates();
    }
}
}

```

```

@Override
public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
    super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
    // Inflate the layout
    setContentView(R.layout.main);

    // Get a handle to the Fragments
    placeListFragment = (PlaceListFragment) getSupportFragmentManager().findFragmentById(R.id.list_fragment);
    checkinFragment = (CheckinFragment) getSupportFragmentManager().findFragmentById(R.id.checkin_fragment);

    // Get references to the managers
    packageManager = getPackageManager();
    notificationManager = (NotificationManager) getSystemService(Context.NOTIFICATION_SERVICE);
    locationManager = (LocationManager) getSystemService(Context.LOCATION_SERVICE);

    // Get a reference to the Shared Preferences and a Shared Preference Editor.
    prefs = getSharedPreferences(PlacesConstants.SHARED_PREFERENCE_FILE, Context.MODE_PRIVATE);
    prefsEditor = prefs.edit();

    // Instantiate a SharedPreferenceSaver class based on the available platform version.
    // This will be used to save shared preferences
    sharedPreferencesSaver = PlatformSpecificImplementationFactory.getSharedPreferenceSaver(this);

    // Save that we've been run once.
    prefsEditor.putBoolean(PlacesConstants.SP_KEY_RUN_ONCE, true);
    sharedPreferencesSaver.savePreferences(prefsEditor, false);

    // Specify the Criteria to use when requesting location updates while the application is Active
    criteria = new Criteria();
    if (PlacesConstants.USE_GPS_WHEN_ACTIVITY_VISIBLE)
        criteria.setAccuracy(Criteria.ACCURACY_FINE);
    else
        criteria.setPowerRequirement(Criteria.POWER_LOW);

    // Setup the location update Pending Intents
    Intent activeIntent = new Intent(this, LocationChangedReceiver.class);
    locationListenerPendingIntent = PendingIntent.getBroadcast(this, 0, activeIntent, PendingIntent.FLAG_UPDATE_CURRENT);

    Intent passiveIntent = new Intent(this, PassiveLocationChangedReceiver.class);
    locationListenerPassivePendingIntent = PendingIntent.getBroadcast(this, 0, passiveIntent, PendingIntent.FLAG_UPDATE_CURRENT);

    // Instantiate a LastlocationFinder class.
    // This will be used to find the last known location when the application starts.
    lastLocationFinder = PlatformSpecificImplementationFactory.getLastLocationFinder(this);
    lastLocationFinder.setChangedLocationListener(oneShotLastLocationUpdateListener);

    // Instantiate a Location Update Requester class based on the available platform version.
    // This will be used to request location updates.
    locationUpdateRequester = PlatformSpecificImplementationFactory.getLocationUpdateRequester(locationManager);
    locationManager.requestLocationUpdates(provider, minTime, m
}

/**
 * {@inheritDoc}
 */
@Override
public void requestPassiveLocationUpdates(long minTime, long minDistance) {
    // Pre-Froyo there was no Passive Location Provider, so instead
    // that will trigger once the minimum time between passive updates
    // is longer than simple passive alarms, however the Receiver will ensure
    // distance before initiating a background nearby location update
    alarmManager.setInexactRepeating(AlarmManager.ELAPSED_REALTIME_WAKEUP, minTime, minDistance, m
}

```

```

    * If the Location Listener is running
    * Receivers using this provider
    */
protected BroadcastReceiver locProvider {
    @Override
    public void onReceive(Context context, Intent intent) {
        boolean providerDisabled = !locationManager.isProviderEnabled(provider);
        // Re-register the location listener
        if (providerDisabled)
            requestLocationUpdates();
    }
}

// listener that receives updates from the {@link LastLocationFinder} where the last known location is outside the boundary.
oneShotLastLocationUpdateListener = new LocationChangedListener() {
    @Override
    public void onLocationChanged(Location location) {
        PlacesConstants.DEFAULT_RADIUS, true);
    }
}

// providerDisabled(String provider) {
    <receiver android:name=".receivers.LocationChangedReceiver" />
    <receiver android:name=".receivers.PassiveLocationChangedReceiver" />
    <receiver android:name=".receivers.ConnectivityChangeReceiver" />
    <intent-filter>
        <action android:name="android.net.conn.CONNECTIVITY_ACTION" />
        <action android:name="com.radioactiveyak.places.ConnectivityChangeReceiver" />
    </intent-filter>
</receiver>
<receiver android:name=".receivers.LocationChangedReceiver" />
    <intent-filter>
        <action android:name="com.radioactiveyak.places.LocationChangedReceiver" />
    </intent-filter>
</receiver>
<receiver android:name=".receivers.ConnectivityChangeReceiver" />
    <intent-filter>
        <action android:name="com.radioactiveyak.places.ConnectivityChangeReceiver" />
    </intent-filter>
</receiver>
}

@Override
public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
    super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
    // Inflate the layout
    setContentView(R.layout.main);

    // Get a handle to the Fragments
    placeListFragment = (PlaceListFragment) getSupportFragmentManager().findFragmentById(R.id.list_fragment);
    checkinFragment = (CheckinFragment) getSupportFragmentManager().findFragmentById(R.id.checkin_fragment);

    // Get references to the managers
    packageManager = getPackageManager();
    notificationManager = (NotificationManager) getSystemService(Context.NOTIFICATION_SERVICE);
    locationManager = (LocationManager) getSystemService(Context.LOCATION_SERVICE);

    // Get a reference to the Shared Preferences and a Shared Preference Editor.
    prefs = getSharedPreferences(PlacesConstants.SHARED_PREFERENCE_FILE, Context.MODE_PRIVATE);
    prefsEditor = prefs.edit();

    // Instantiate a SharedPreferenceSaver class based on the available platform version.
    // This will be used to save shared preferences
    sharedPreferencesSaver = PlatformSpecificImplementationFactory.getSharedPreferenceSaver(this);

    // Save that we've been run once.
    prefsEditor.putBoolean(PlacesConstants.SP_KEY_RUN_ONCE, true);
    sharedPreferencesSaver.savePreferences(prefsEditor, false);

    // Specify the Criteria to use when requesting location updates while the application is Active
    criteria = new Criteria();
    if (PlacesConstants.USE_GPS_WHEN_ACTIVITY_VISIBLE)
        criteria.setAccuracy(Criteria.ACCURACY_FINE);
    else
        criteria.setPowerRequirement(Criteria.POWER_LOW);

    // Setup the location update Pending Intents
    Intent activeIntent = new Intent(this, LocationChangedReceiver.class);
    locationListenerPendingIntent = PendingIntent.getBroadcast(this, 0, activeIntent, PendingIntent.FLAG_UPDATE_CURRENT);

    Intent passiveIntent = new Intent(this, PassiveLocationChangedReceiver.class);
    locationListenerPassivePendingIntent = PendingIntent.getBroadcast(this, 0, passiveIntent, PendingIntent.FLAG_UPDATE_CURRENT);

    // Instantiate a LastlocationFinder class.
    // This will be used to find the last known location when the application starts.
    lastLocationFinder = PlatformSpecificImplementationFactory.getLastLocationFinder(this);
    lastLocationFinder.setChangedLocationListener(oneShotLastLocationUpdateListener);

    // Instantiate a Location Update Requester class based on the available platform version.
    // This will be used to request location updates.
    locationUpdateRequester = PlatformSpecificImplementationFactory.getLocationUpdateRequester(locationManager);
    locationManager.requestLocationUpdates(provider, minTime, m
}

```

```

@Override
public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
    super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
    // Inflate the layout
    setContentView(R.layout.main);

    // Get a handle to the Fragments
    placeListFragment = (PlaceListFragment) getSupportFragmentManager().findFragmentById(R.id.placeList);
    checkinFragment = (CheckinFragment) getSupportFragmentManager().findFragmentById(R.id.checkinList);

    // Get references to the managers
    packageManager = getPackageManager();
    notificationManager = (NotificationManager) getSystemService(Context.NOTIFICATION_SERVICE);
    locationManager = (LocationManager) getSystemService(Context.LOCATION_SERVICE);

    // Get a reference to the Shared Preferences and a Shared Preference
    prefs = getSharedPreferences(PlacesConstants.SHARED_PREFERENCE_FILE, MODE_PRIVATE);
    prefsEditor = prefs.edit();

    // Instantiate a SharedPreferenceSaver class based on the available
    // This will be used to save shared preferences
    sharedPreferenceSaver = PlatformSpecificImplementationFactory.getSharedPreferenceSaver(this);

    // Save that we've been run once.
    prefsEditor.putBoolean(PlacesConstants.SP_KEY_RUN_ONCE, true);
    sharedPreferenceSaver.savePreferences(prefsEditor, false);

    // Specify the Criteria to use when requesting location updates while
    // the application is in the background
    Criteria criteria = new Criteria();
    if (PlacesConstants.USE_GPS_WHEN_ACTIVITY_VISIBLE)
        criteria.setAccuracy(Criteria.ACCURACY_FINE);
    else
        criteria.setPowerRequirement(Criteria.POWER_LOW);

    // Setup the location update Pending Intents
    Intent activeIntent = new Intent(this, LocationChangedReceiver.class);
    locationListenerPendingIntent = PendingIntent.getBroadcast(this, 0, activeIntent, PendingIntent.FLAG_UPDATE_CURRENT);

    Intent passiveIntent = new Intent(this, PassiveLocationChangedReceiver.class);
    locationListenerPassivePendingIntent = PendingIntent.getBroadcast(this, 1, passiveIntent, PendingIntent.FLAG_UPDATE_CURRENT);

    // Instantiate a LastLocationFinder class.
    // This will be used to find the last known location when the application
    // goes to the background
    lastLocationFinder = PlatformSpecificImplementationFactory.getLastLocationFinder(this);
    lastLocationFinder.setChangedLocationListener(oneShotLastLocationUpda
}

// Instantiate a Location Update Requester class based on the available
// This will be used to request location updates.
locationUpdateRequester = PlatformSpecificImplementationFactory.getLocationUpdateRequester(this);
locationUpdateRequester.requestLocationUpdates(criteria, minTime, minDistance, locationListener, false);

// If the best result is beyond the allowed time limit, or the accuracy of the
// best result is wider than the acceptable maximum distance, request a single update.
// This check simply implements the same conditions we set when requesting regular
// location updates every [minTime] and [minDistance].
if (locationListener != null && (bestTime < minTime || bestAccuracy > minDistance)) {
    IntentFilter locIntentFilter = new IntentFilter(SINGLE_LOCATION_UPDATE_ACTION);
    context.registerReceiver(singleUpdateReceiver, locIntentFilter);
    locationManager.requestSingleUpdate(criteria, singleUpdatePI);
}

return bestResult;
}

// listener that receives updates from the {@link LastLocationFinder} when the last known location is outside the bounds
onLocationChanged(Location location) {
    Location bestResult = null;
    float bestAccuracy = Float.MAX_VALUE;
    long bestTime = Long.MIN_VALUE;

    // Iterate through all the providers on the system, keeping
    // note of the most accurate result within the acceptable time limit.
    // If no result is found within maxTime, return the newest Location.
    List<String> matchingProviders = locationManager.getAllProviders();
    for (String provider: matchingProviders) {
        Location location = locationManager.getLastKnownLocation(provider);
        if (location != null) {
            float accuracy = location.getAccuracy();
            long time = location.getTime();

            if ((time > minTime && accuracy < bestAccuracy)) {
                bestResult = location;
                bestAccuracy = accuracy;
                bestTime = time;
            }
            else if (time < minTime && bestAccuracy == Float.MAX_VALUE && time > bestTime) {
                bestResult = location;
                bestTime = time;
            }
        }
    }

    // If the best result is beyond the allowed time limit, or the accuracy of the
    // best result is wider than the acceptable maximum distance, request a single update.
    // This check simply implements the same conditions we set when requesting regular
    // location updates every [minTime] and [minDistance].
    if (locationListener != null && (bestTime < minTime || bestAccuracy > minDistance)) {
        IntentFilter locIntentFilter = new IntentFilter(SINGLE_LOCATION_UPDATE_ACTION);
        context.registerReceiver(singleUpdateReceiver, locIntentFilter);
        locationManager.requestSingleUpdate(criteria, singleUpdatePI);
    }
}

// Instantiate a Location Update Requester class based on the available
// This will be used to request location updates.
locationUpdateRequester.requestLocationUpdates(criteria, minTime, minDistance, locationListener, false);

// Create a Location Listener
LocationListener locationListener = new LocationListener() {
    @Override
    public void onLocationChanged(Location location) {
        Location bestResult = null;
        float bestAccuracy = Float.MAX_VALUE;
        long bestTime = Long.MIN_VALUE;

        // Iterate through all the providers on the system, keeping
        // note of the most accurate result within the acceptable time limit.
        // If no result is found within maxTime, return the newest Location.
        List<String> matchingProviders = locationManager.getAllProviders();
        for (String provider: matchingProviders) {
            Location location = locationManager.getLastKnownLocation(provider);
            if (location != null) {
                float accuracy = location.getAccuracy();
                long time = location.getTime();

                if ((time > minTime && accuracy < bestAccuracy)) {
                    bestResult = location;
                    bestAccuracy = accuracy;
                    bestTime = time;
                }
                else if (time < minTime && bestAccuracy == Float.MAX_VALUE && time > bestTime) {
                    bestResult = location;
                    bestTime = time;
                }
            }
        }

        // If the best result is beyond the allowed time limit, or the accuracy of the
        // best result is wider than the acceptable maximum distance, request a single update.
        // This check simply implements the same conditions we set when requesting regular
        // location updates every [minTime] and [minDistance].
        if (locationListener != null && (bestTime < minTime || bestAccuracy > minDistance)) {
            IntentFilter locIntentFilter = new IntentFilter(SINGLE_LOCATION_UPDATE_ACTION);
            context.registerReceiver(singleUpdateReceiver, locIntentFilter);
            locationManager.requestSingleUpdate(criteria, singleUpdatePI);
        }
    }
};

// Create a Passive Location Listener
PassiveLocationChangedReceiver singleUpdateReceiver = new PassiveLocationChangedReceiver() {
    @Override
    public void onLocationChanged(Location location) {
        Location bestResult = null;
        float bestAccuracy = Float.MAX_VALUE;
        long bestTime = Long.MIN_VALUE;

        // Iterate through all the providers on the system, keeping
        // note of the most accurate result within the acceptable time limit.
        // If no result is found within maxTime, return the newest Location.
        List<String> matchingProviders = locationManager.getAllProviders();
        for (String provider: matchingProviders) {
            Location location = locationManager.getLastKnownLocation(provider);
            if (location != null) {
                float accuracy = location.getAccuracy();
                long time = location.getTime();

                if ((time > minTime && accuracy < bestAccuracy)) {
                    bestResult = location;
                    bestAccuracy = accuracy;
                    bestTime = time;
                }
                else if (time < minTime && bestAccuracy == Float.MAX_VALUE && time > bestTime) {
                    bestResult = location;
                    bestTime = time;
                }
            }
        }

        // If the best result is beyond the allowed time limit, or the accuracy of the
        // best result is wider than the acceptable maximum distance, request a single update.
        // This check simply implements the same conditions we set when requesting regular
        // location updates every [minTime] and [minDistance].
        if (locationListener != null && (bestTime < minTime || bestAccuracy > minDistance)) {
            IntentFilter locIntentFilter = new IntentFilter(SINGLE_LOCATION_UPDATE_ACTION);
            context.registerReceiver(singleUpdateReceiver, locIntentFilter);
            locationManager.requestSingleUpdate(criteria, singleUpdatePI);
        }
    }
};
}

```

Connect to the Location Services Client

```
private void connectLBS() {  
    int gpsExists = GooglePlayServicesUtil.isGooglePlayServicesAvailable(this);  
    if (gpsExists == ConnectionResult.SUCCESS) {  
        mLocationClient = new LocationClient(this, this, this);  
        mlocationClient.connect();  
    }  
}  
  
@Override  
public void onConnected(Bundle connectionHint) {  
    requestUpdates(mlocationClient);  
}
```



Location Update Requests

```
LocationRequest request = LocationRequest.create();
request.setInterval(minTime);
request.setPriority(lowPowerMoreImportantThanAccuracy ?
    LocationRequest.PRIORITY_BALANCED_POWER_ACCURACY :
    LocationRequest.PRIORITY_HIGH_ACCURACY);

mlocationClient.requestLocationUpdates(request, new LocationListener
{
    @Override
    public void onLocationChanged(Location location) {
        updateLocation(location);
    }
});
```



Geofencing

```
List<Geofence> fenceList = new ArrayList<Geofence>();  
  
// TODO Repeat for all Geofences  
Geofence geofence = new Geofence.Builder()  
    .setRequestId(myKey)  
    .setTransitionTypes(Geofence.GEOFENCE_TRANSITION_ENTER |  
                        Geofence.GEOFENCE_TRANSITION_EXIT)  
    .setCircularRegion(latitude, longitude, GEOFENCE_RADIUS)  
    .setExpirationDuration(Geofence.NEVER_EXPIRE)  
    .build();  
  
fenceList.add(geofence);  
  
mLocationClient.addGeofences(fenceList, pendingIntent, addGeofencesResultListener);
```



Activity Recognition

```
Intent intent = new Intent(this, ActivityRecognitionIntentService.class);
intent.setAction(MyActivity.ACTION_STRING);

PendingIntent pi =
    PendingIntent.getService(this, 0, intent,
        PendingIntent.FLAG_UPDATE_CURRENT);

mActivityRecognitionClient.requestActivityUpdates(interval, pi);
```



Activity Recognition

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```
@Override  
protected void onHandleIntent(Intent intent) {  
    if (intent.getAction() == MyActivity.ACTION_STRING) {  
        if (ActivityRecognitionResult.hasResult(intent)) {  
            ActivityRecognitionResult result = ActivityRecognitionResult.extractResult(intent);  
            DetectedActivity detectedActivity = result.getMostProbableActivity();  
            int activityType = detectedActivity.getType();  
            if (activityType == DetectedActivity.STILL)  
                setUpdateSpeed(PAUSED);  
            else if (activityType == DetectedActivity.IN_VEHICLE)  
                setUpdateSpeed(FASTER);  
            else  
                setUpdateSpeed(REGULAR);  
        }  
    }  
}
```



Activity Detection

ActivityRecognit

```
@Override  
protected void onHandleIntent(Intent intent) {  
    if (intent.getAction() == MyActivity.ACTION_STRING) {  
        if (ActivityRecognitionResult.hasResult(intent)) {  
            ActivityRecognitionResult result = ActivityRecognitionResult.extractResult(intent);  
            DetectedActivity detectedActivity = result.getMostProbableActivity();  
            int activityType = detectedActivity.getType();  
            if (activityType == DetectedActivity.STILL)  
                setUpdatesSpeed(FASTER);  
            else if (activityType == DetectedActivity.ON_BICYCLE)  
                setUpdatesSpeed(PAUSED);  
            else  
                setUpdatesSpeed(REGULAR);  
        }  
    }  
}
```



What are my friends doing?

```
@Override  
public void onConnected() {  
    mPlusClient.loadPeople(this, Person.Collection.VISIBLE);  
}
```

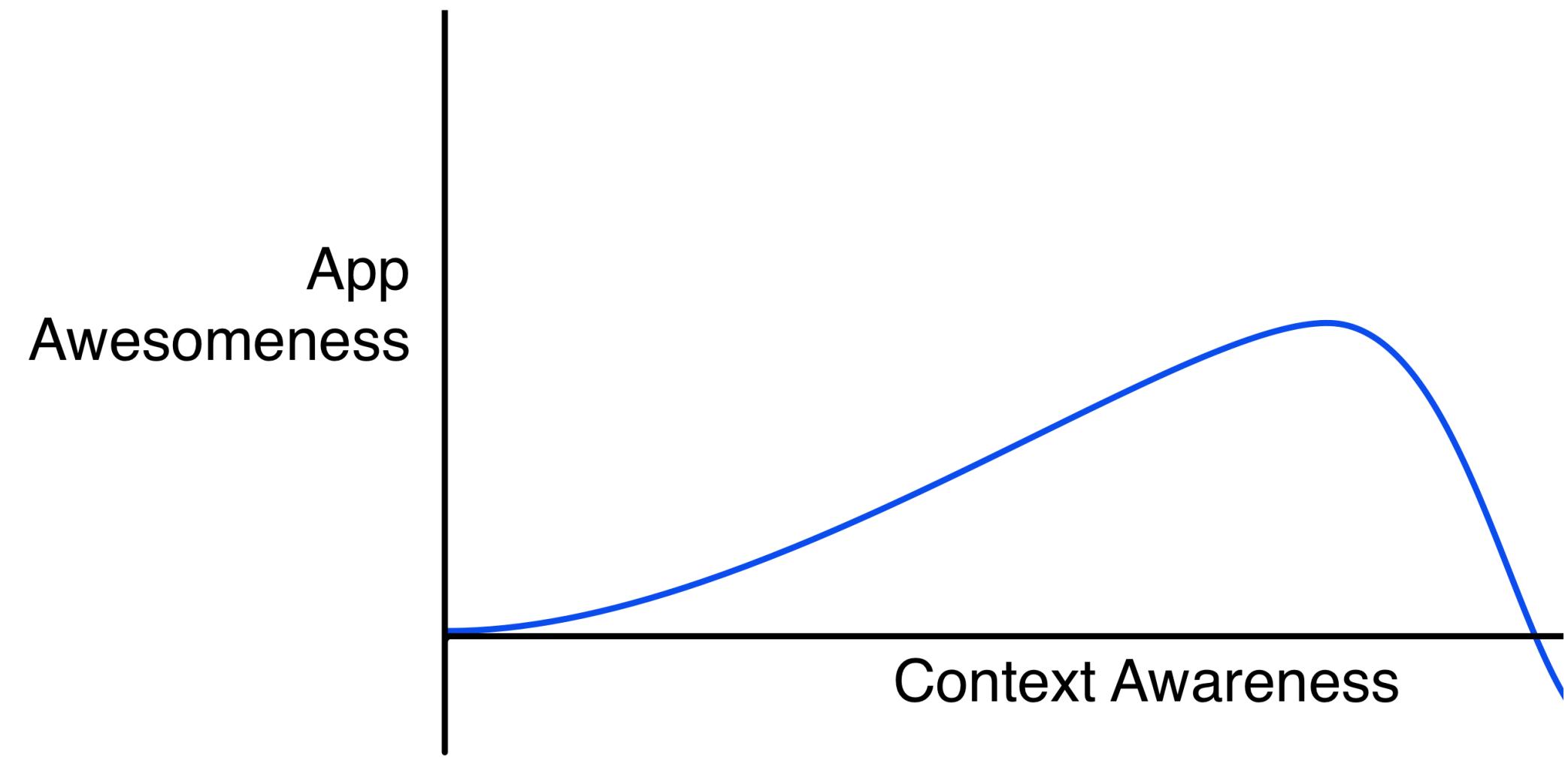


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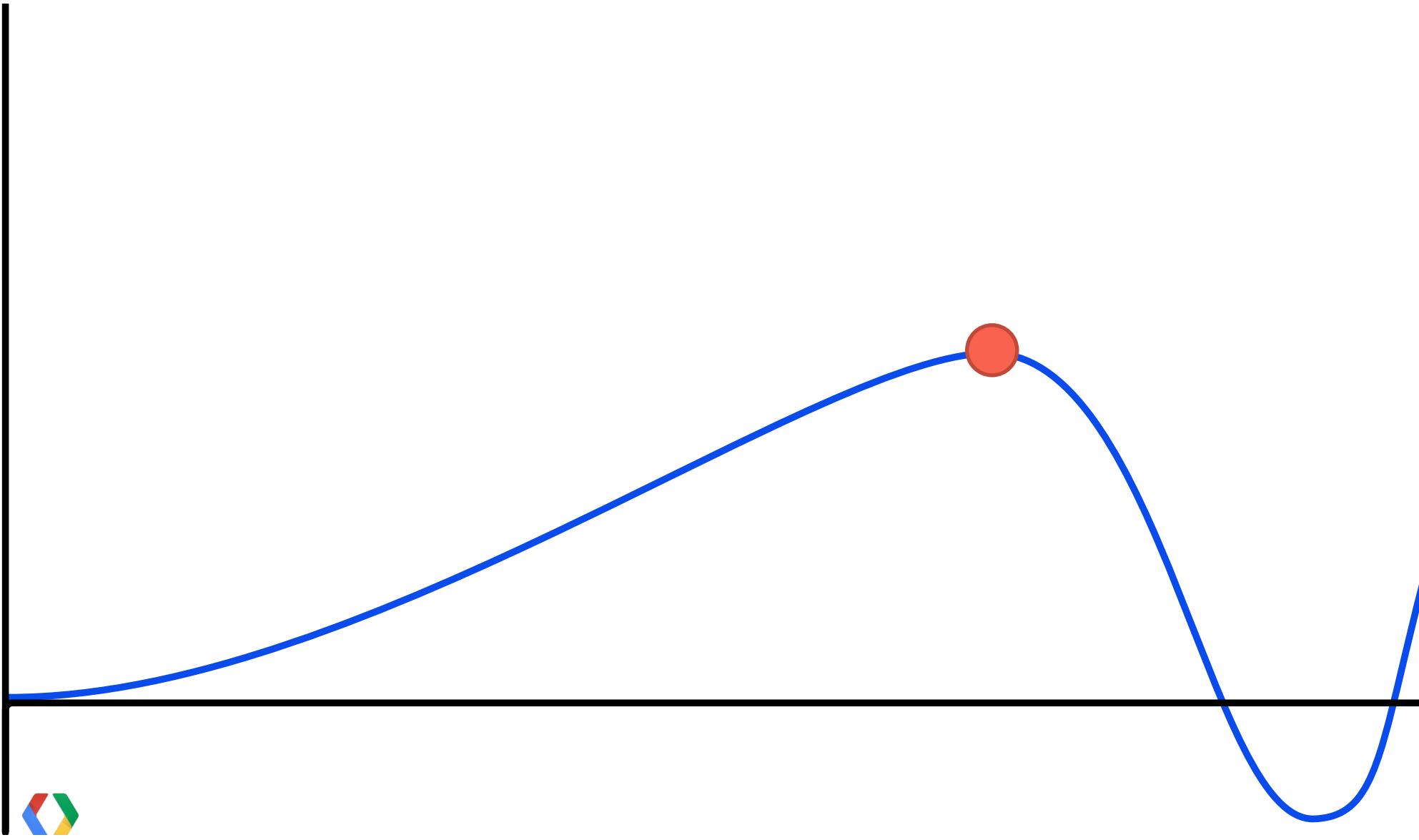
```
@Override  
public void onPeopleLoaded(ConnectionResult status,  
                           PersonBuffer personBuffer, String nextPa  
if (status.getErrorCode() == ConnectionResult.SUCCESS) {  
    try {  
        // TODO Things with personBuffer  
    } finally {  
        personBuffer.close();  
    }  
} else  
    Log.e(TAG, "Error listing people: " + status.getErrorCode());  
}
```



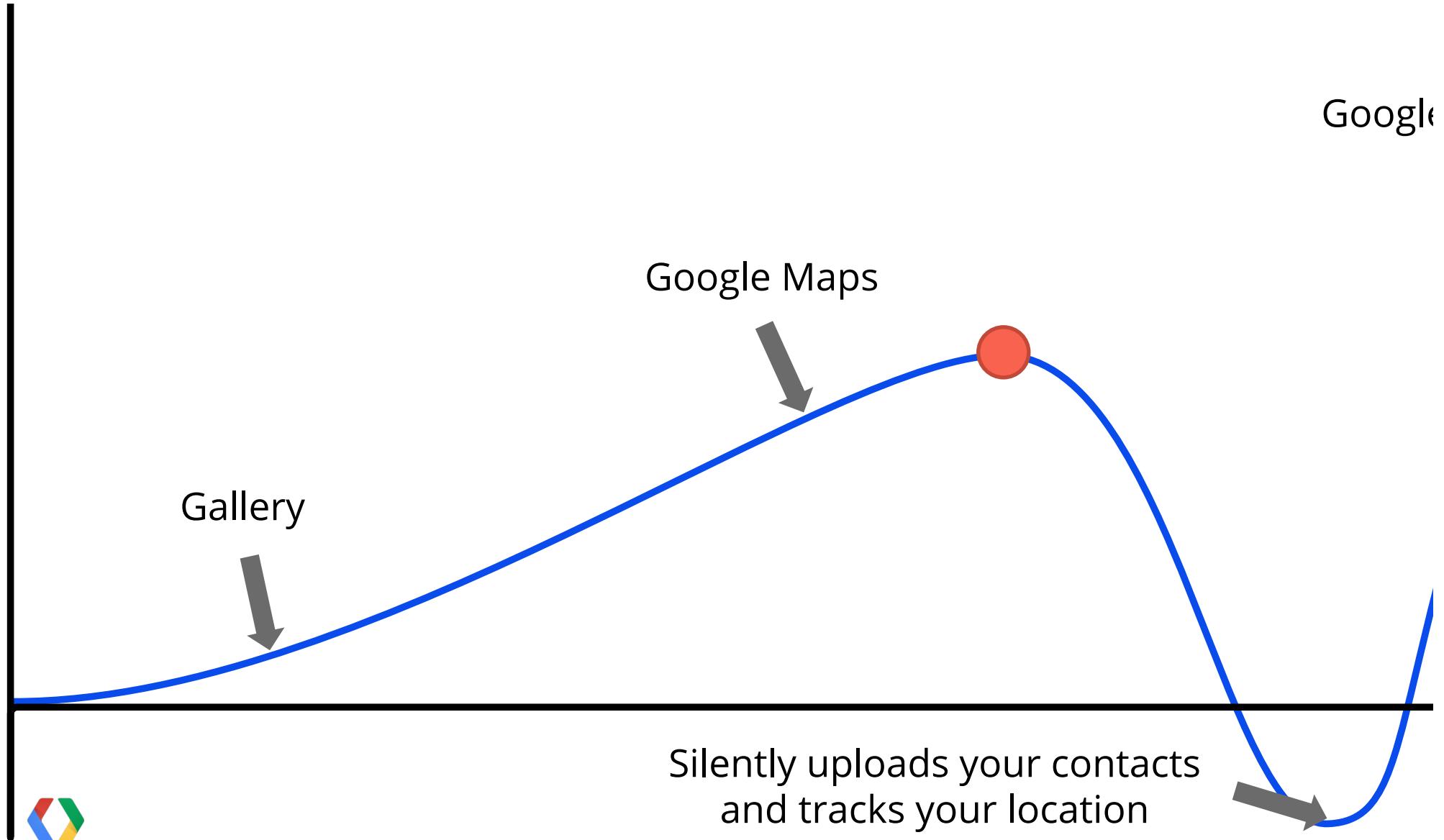
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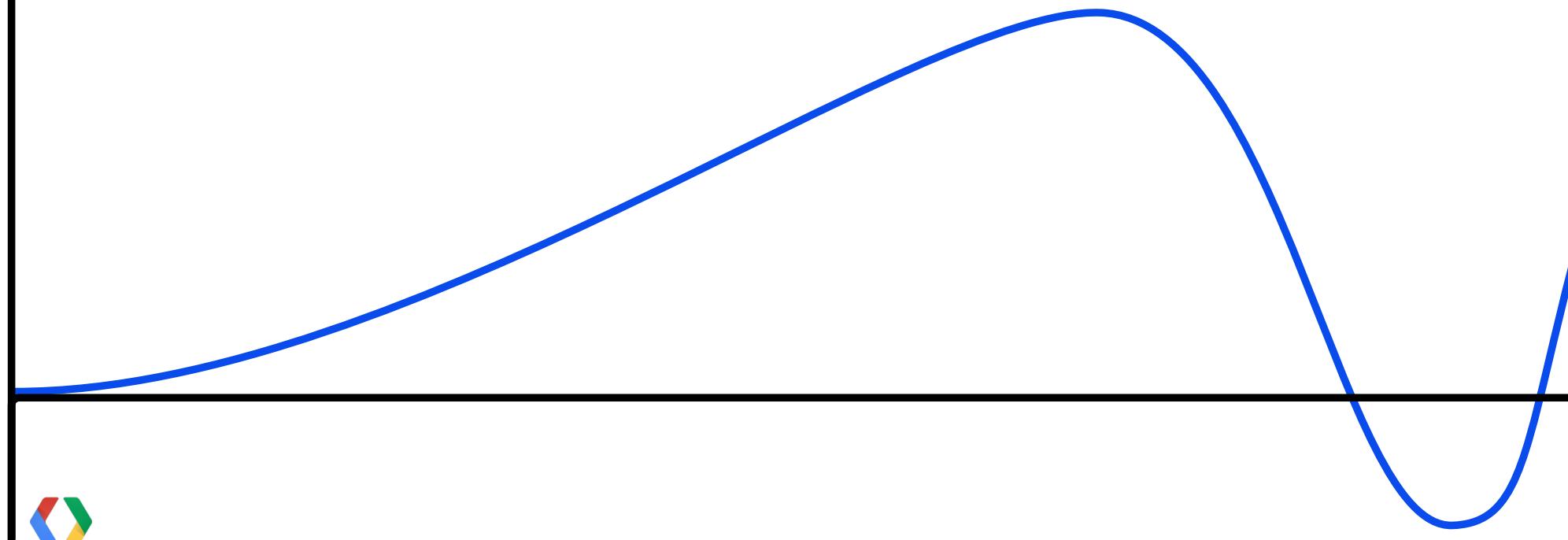


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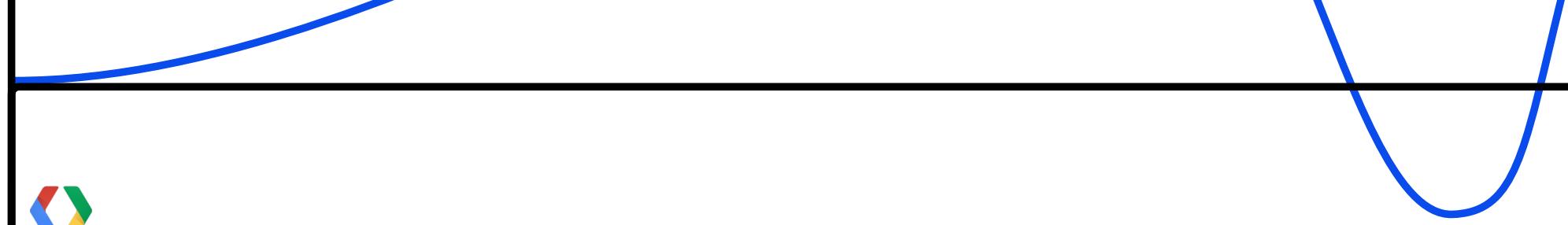
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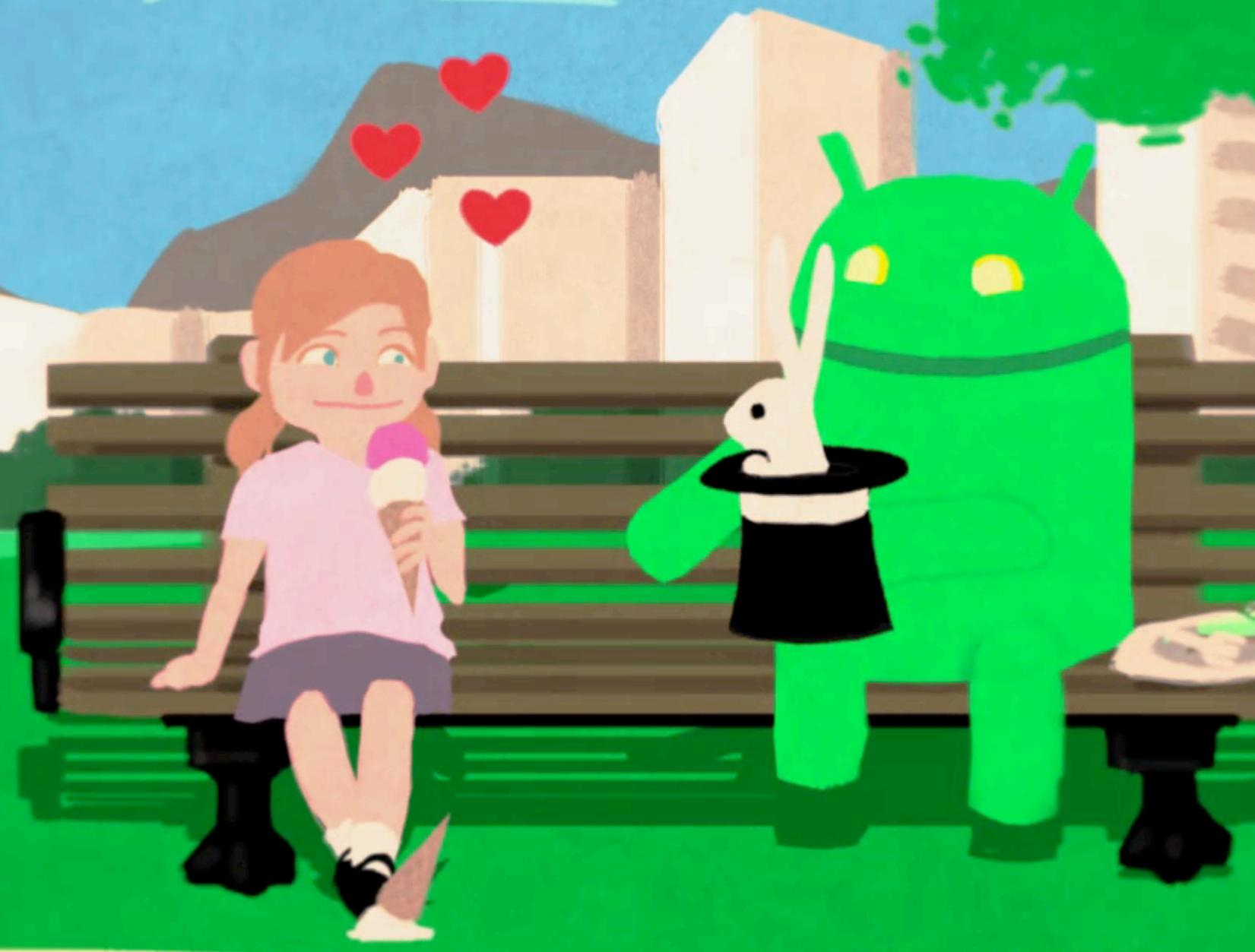
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- Let them opt-out of having it done

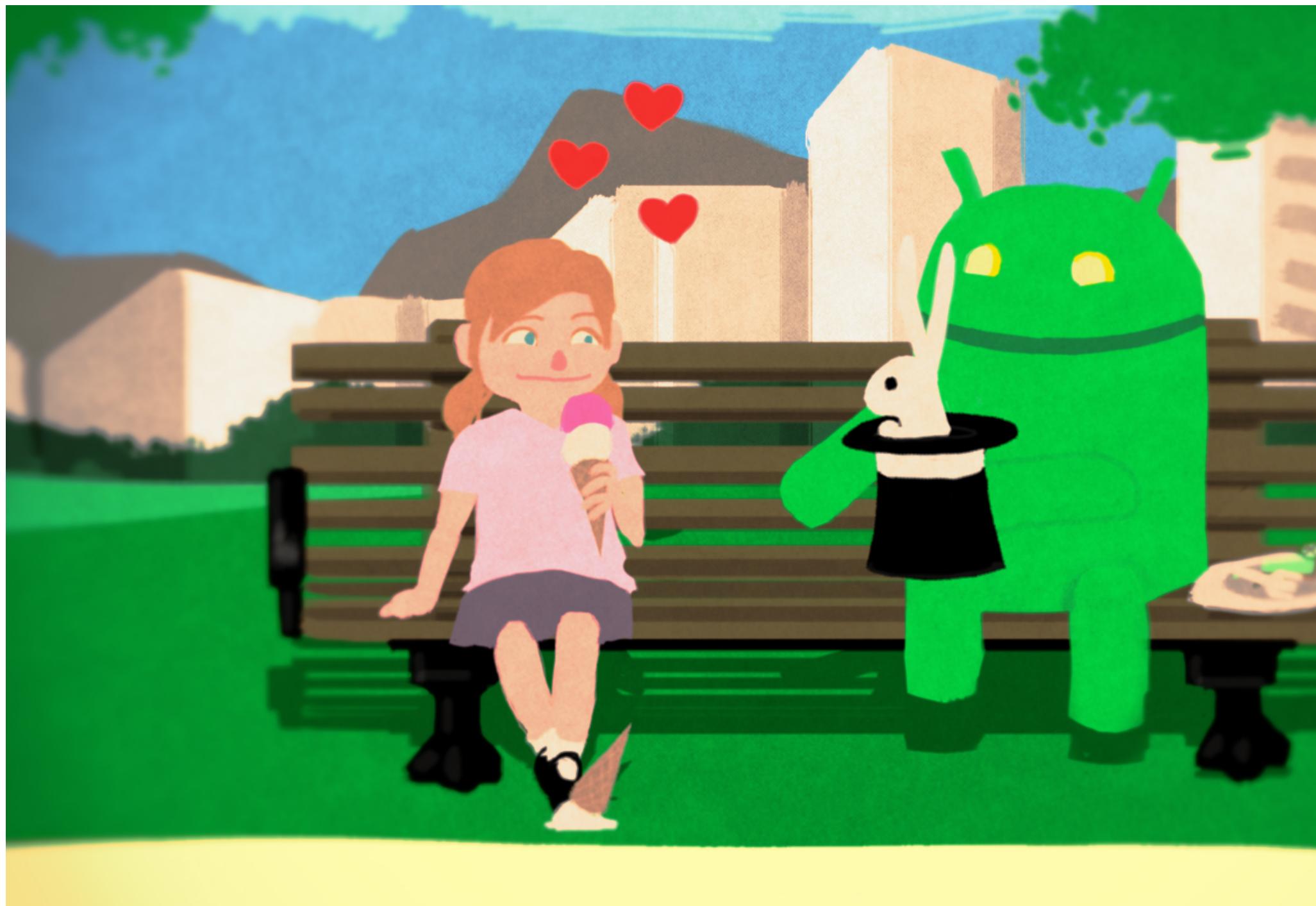


Avoiding the Uncanny App Valley

- Don't transmit or store contact details or location
- Supply a privacy policy on Google Play
- Allow users to delete stored data







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Rob Foster





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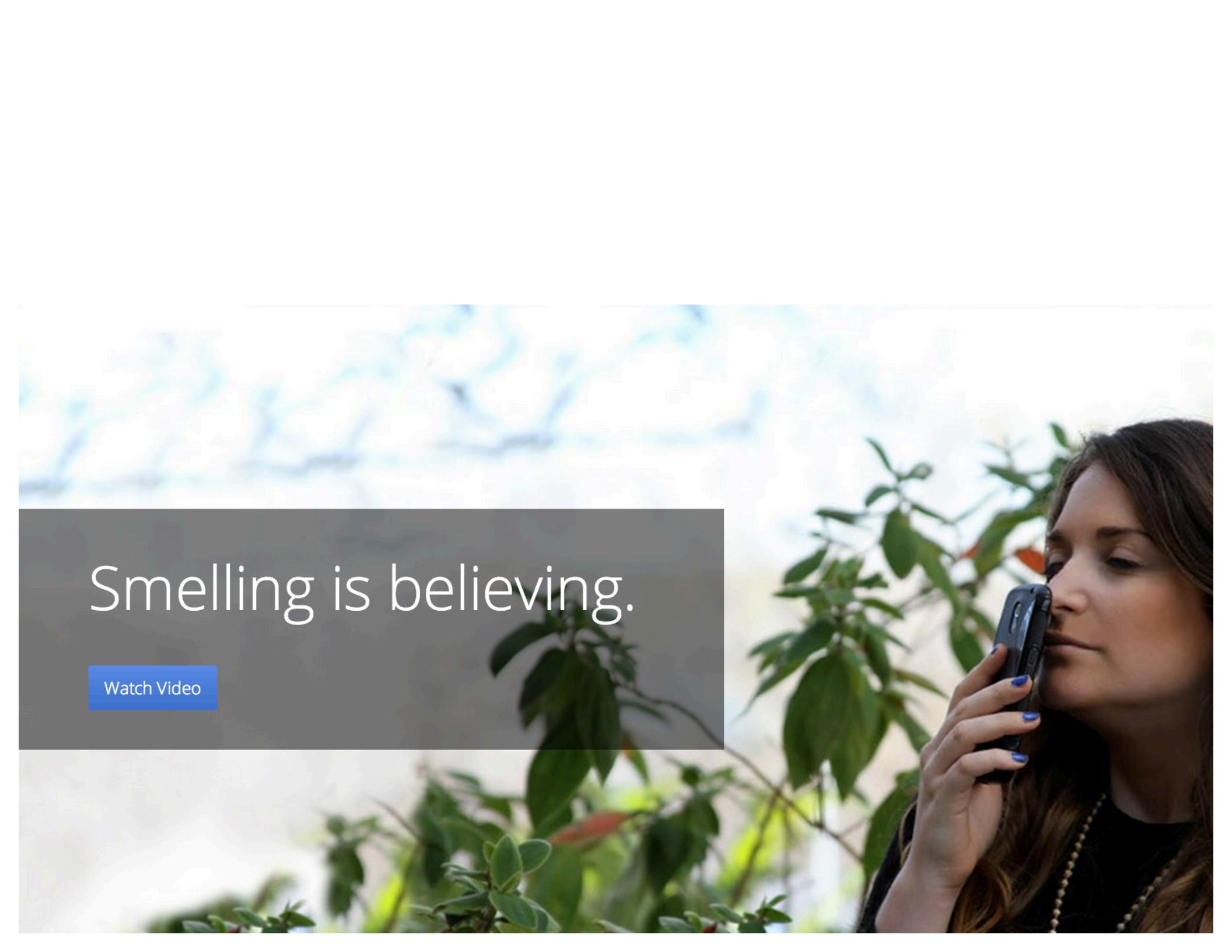
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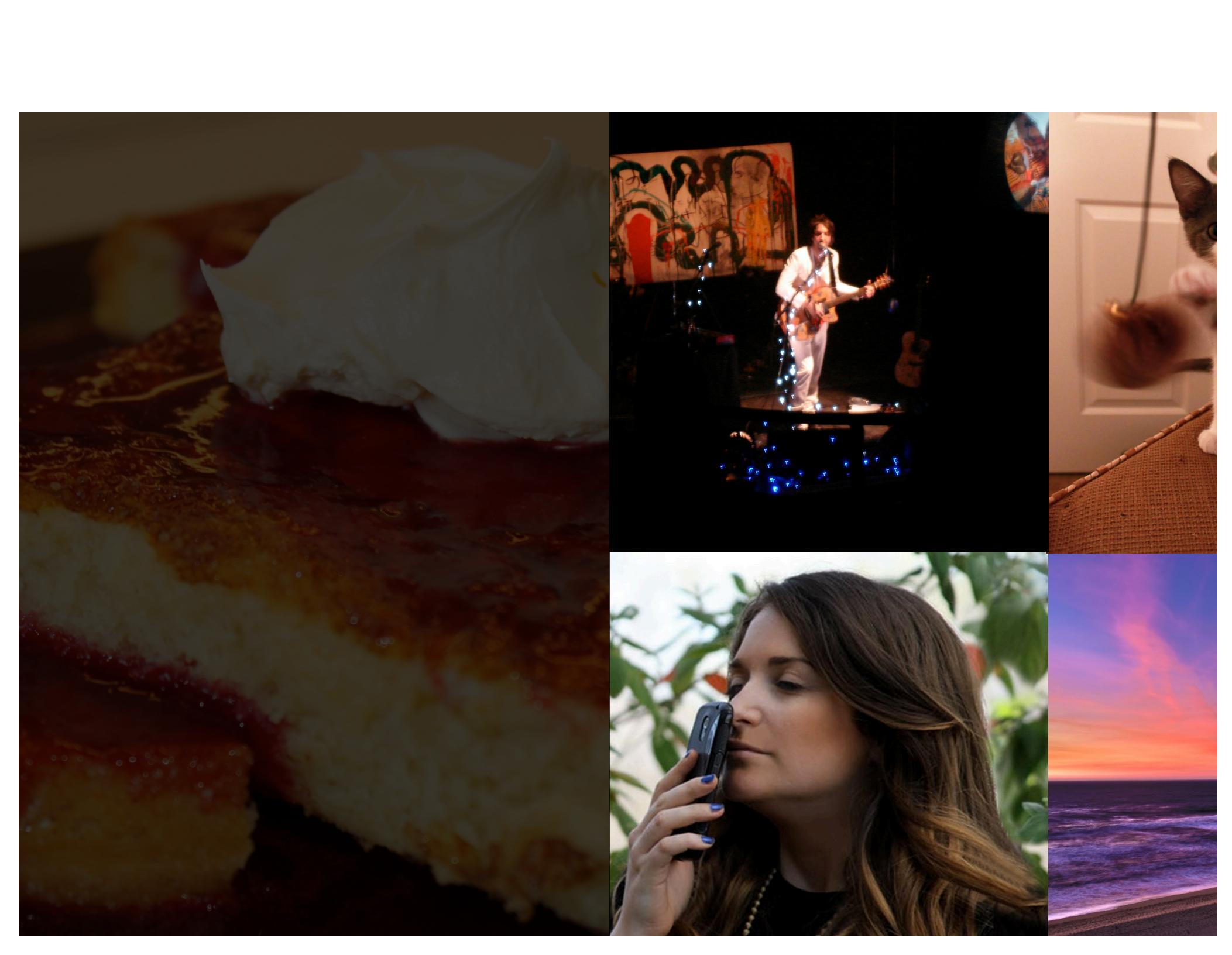


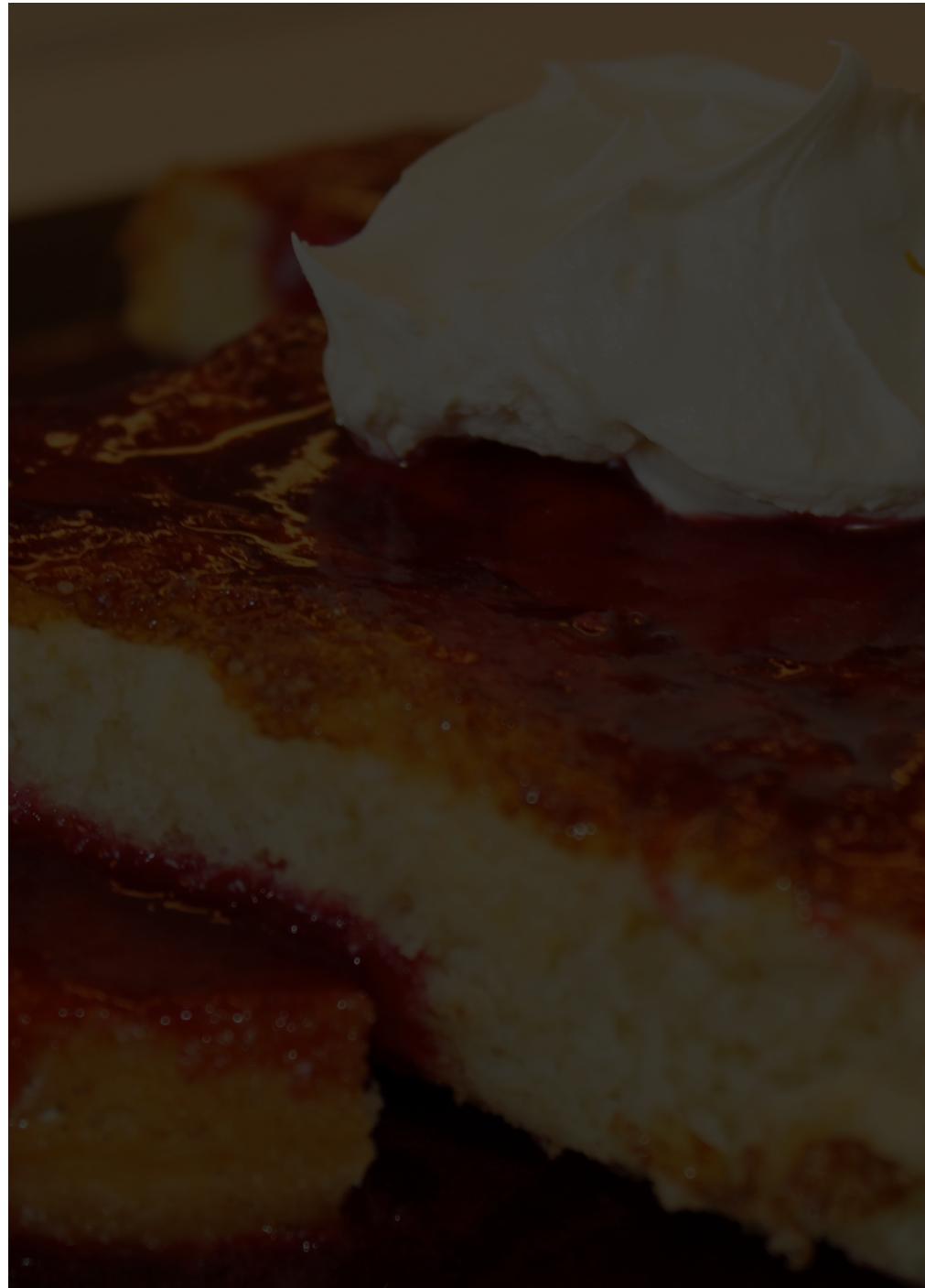
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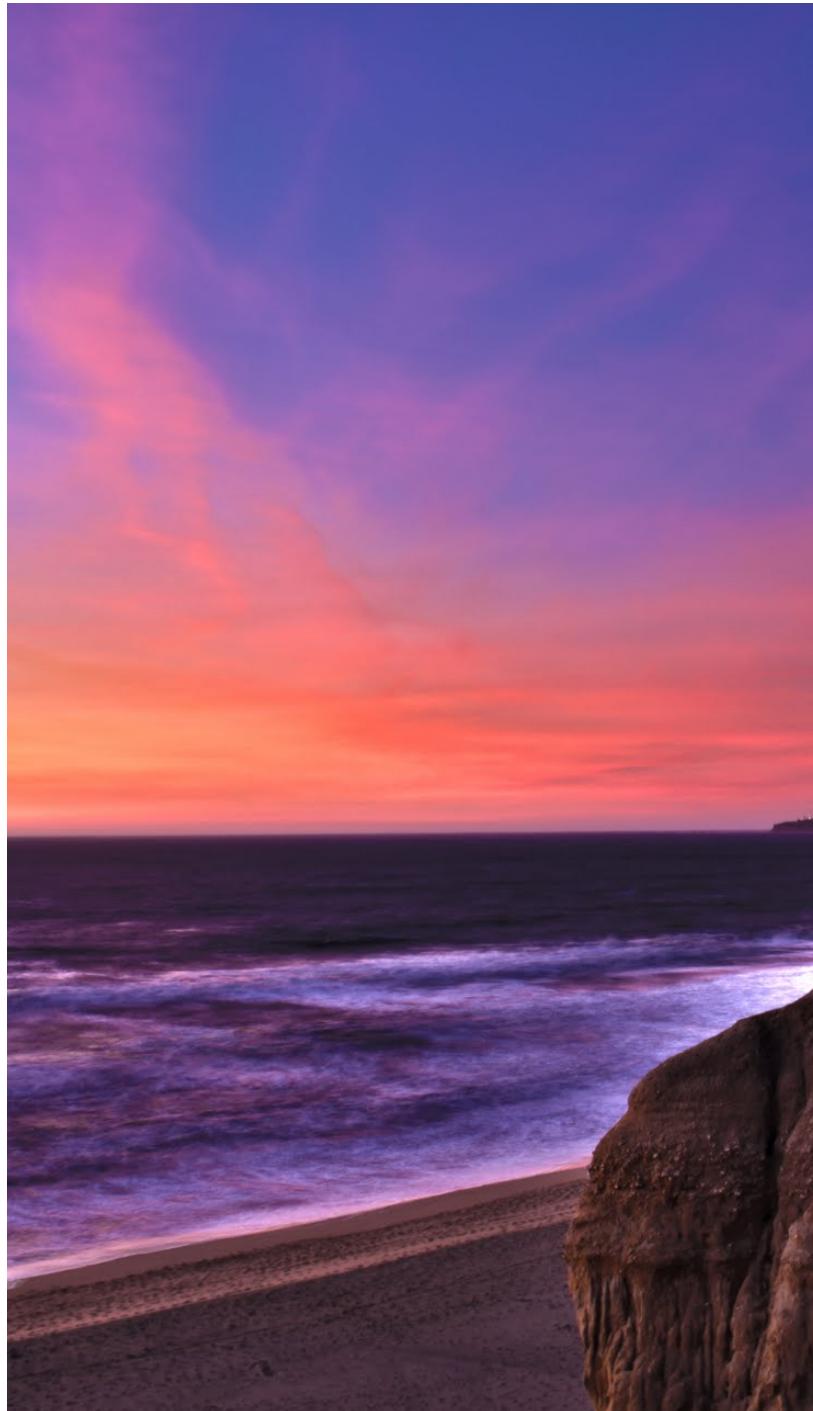
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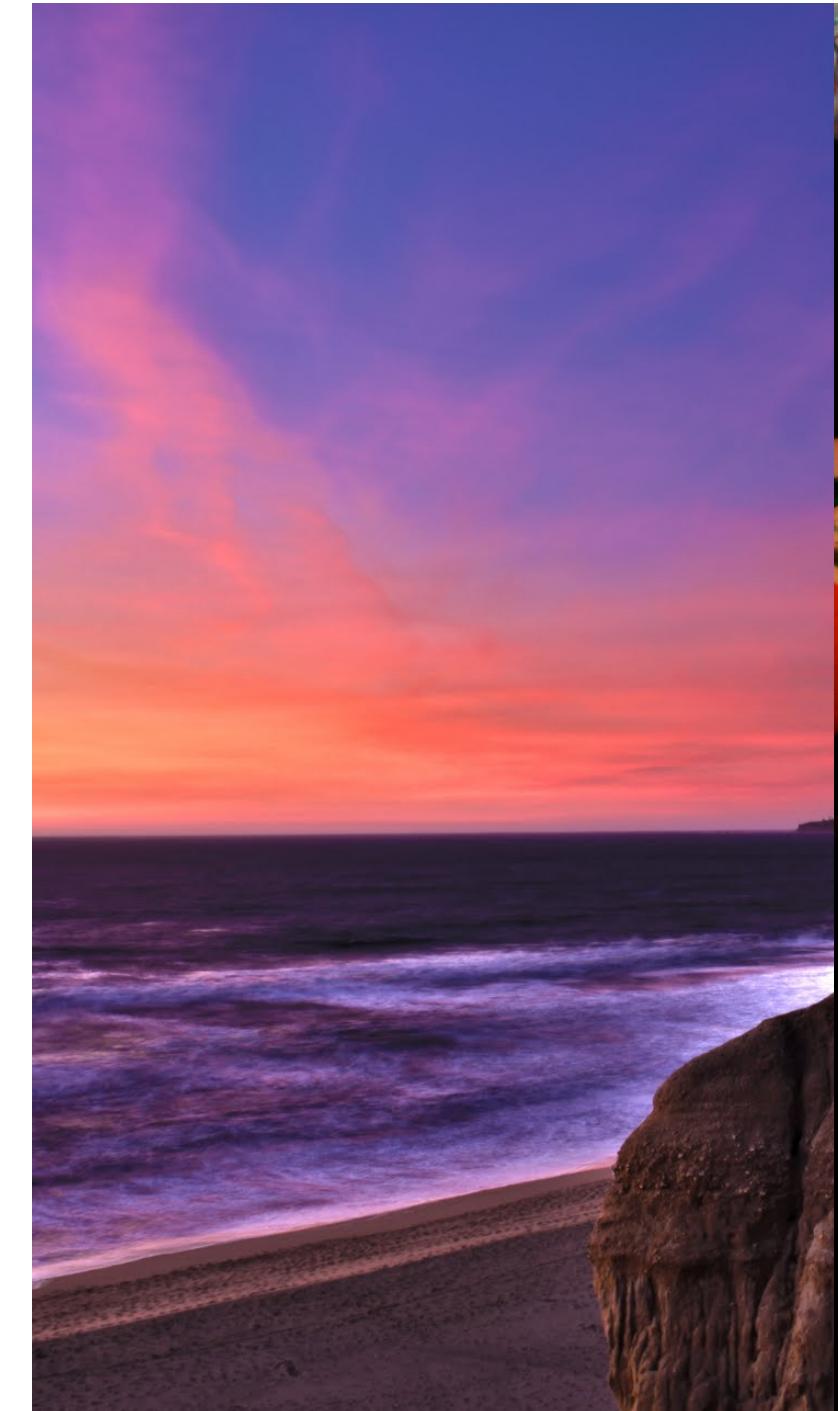
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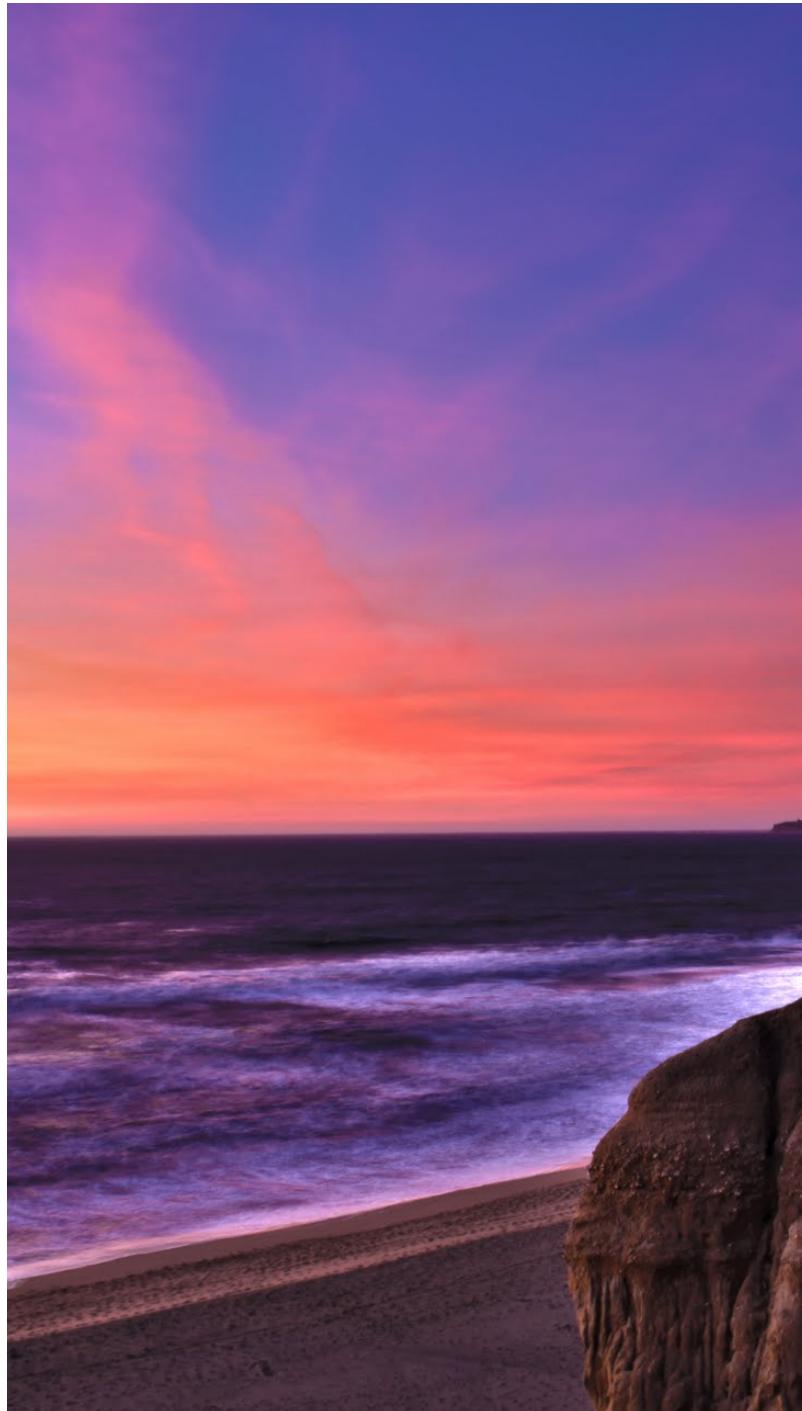










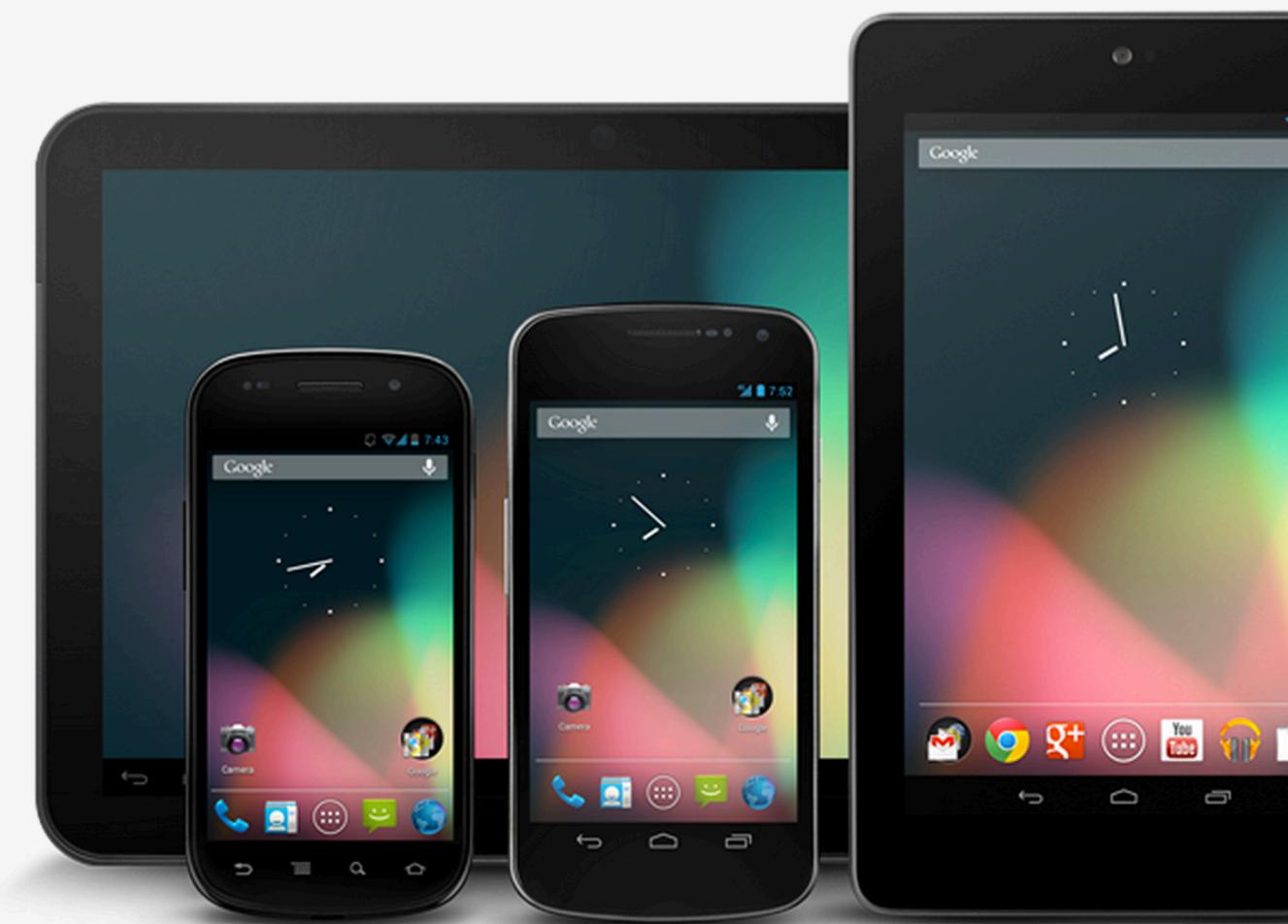


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Text to Speech (TTS)

```
private void initTextToSpeech() {  
    Intent intent = new Intent(Engine.ACTION_CHECK_TTS_DATA);  
    startActivityForResult(intent, TTS_DATA_CHECK);  
}
```



Text to Speech (TTS)

```
protected void onActivityResult(int request, int result, Intent dat
if (request == TTS_DATA_CHECK &&
    result == Engine.CHECK_VOICE_DATA_PASS) {
    tts = new TextToSpeech(this, new OnInitListener() {
        public void onInit(int status) {
            if (status == TextToSpeech.SUCCESS)
                ttsIsInit = true;
        }
    });
} else
    startActivityForResult(new Intent(Engine.ACTION_INSTALL_TTS_DATA));
}
```



Text to Speech (TTS)

```
private void say(String text) {  
    if (tts != null && ttisIsInit)  
        tts.speak(text, TextToSpeech.QUEUE_ADD, null);  
}
```



Speech Recognition

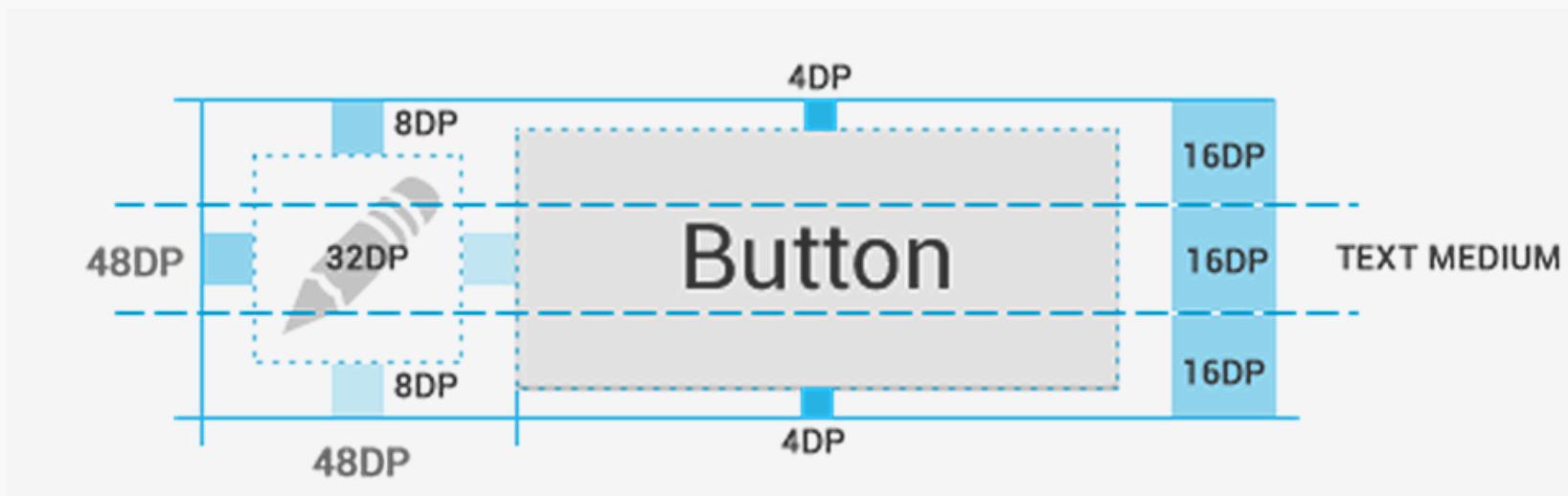
```
private void requestVoiceInput() {  
    Intent intent = new Intent(RecognizerIntent.ACTION_RECOGNIZE_SPEECH);  
    intent.putExtra(RecognizerIntent.EXTRA_LANGUAGE_MODEL,  
        RecognizerIntent.LANGUAGE_MODEL_FREE_FORM);  
    intent.putExtra(RecognizerIntent.EXTRA_PROMPT,  
        getString(R.String.voice_input_prompt));  
    intent.putExtra(RecognizerIntent.EXTRA_LANGUAGE,  
        Locale.ENGLISH);  
    startActivityForResult(intent, VOICE_RECOGNITION);  
}
```



Speech Recognition

```
@Override  
protected void onActivityResult(int request, int result, Intent dat  
if (request == VOICE_RECOGNITION && result == RESULT_OK) {  
    ArrayList<String> results =  
        data.getStringArrayListExtra(RecognizerIntent.EXTRA_RESULTS);  
  
    String mostLikelyResult = results[0];  
    useSpeechInput(mostLikelyResult);  
}  
}
```





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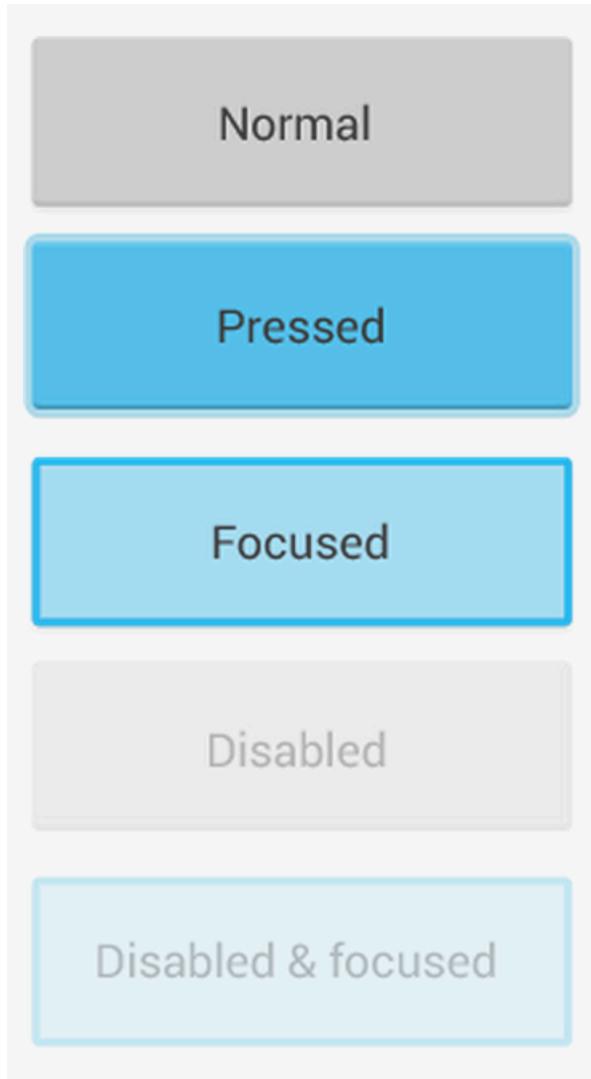
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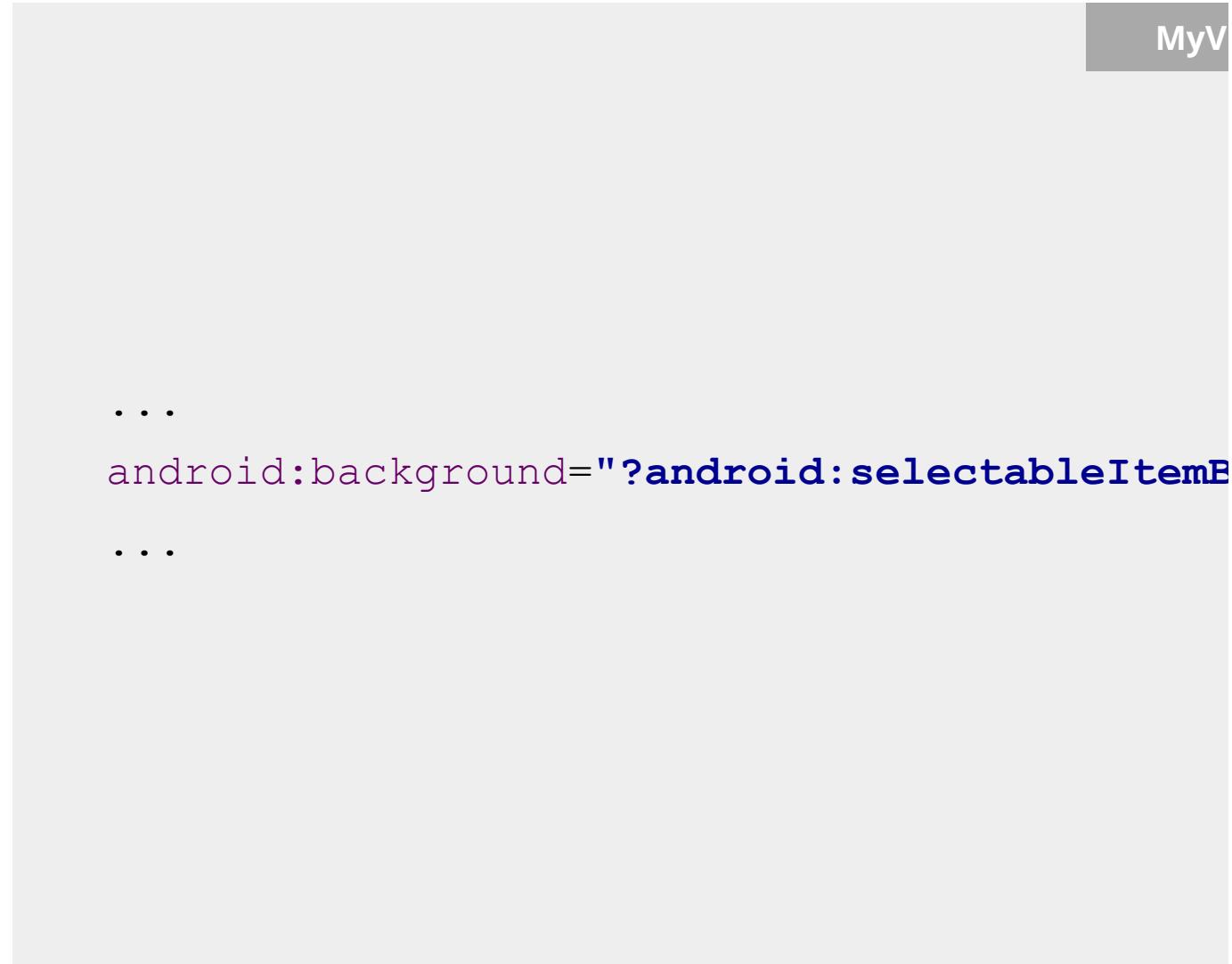
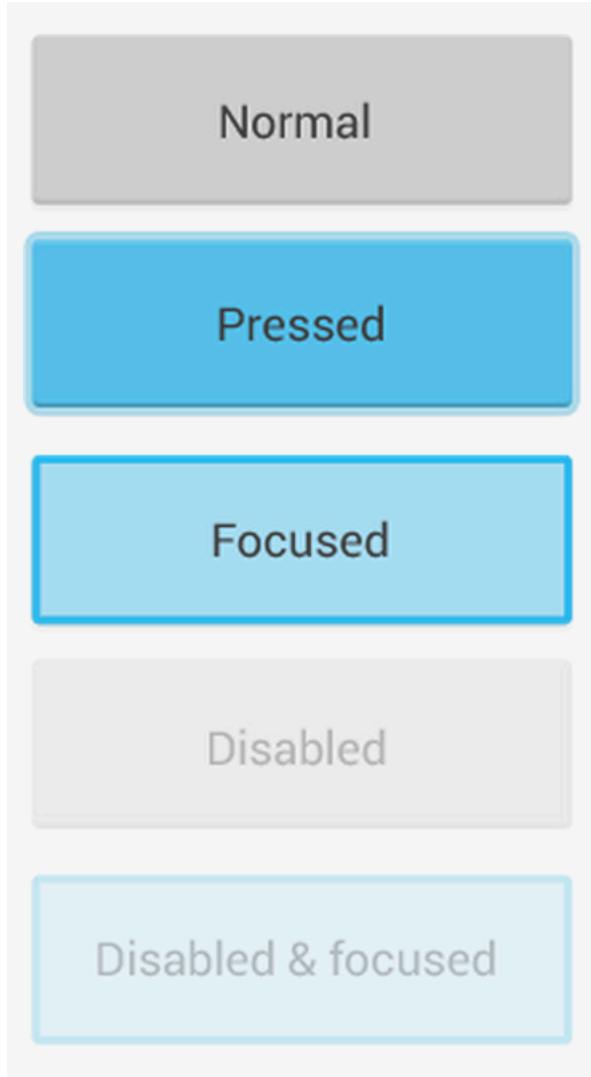
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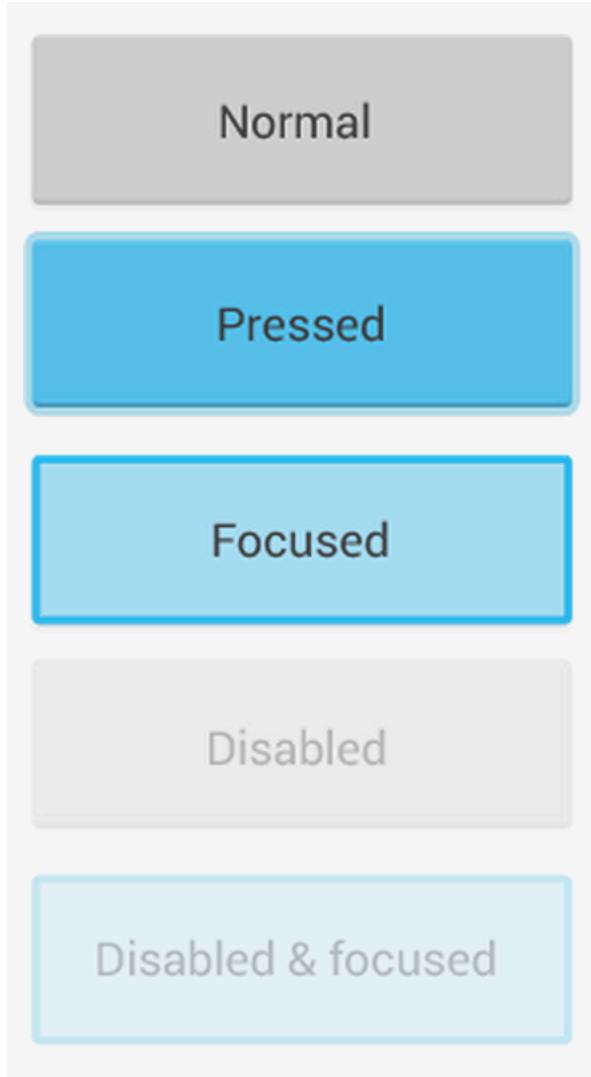
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          android:drawable="@drawable/bg_press" />  
    <item android:state_enabled="false"  
          android:state_focussed="true"  
          android:drawable="@drawable/bg_disabled" />  
    <item android:state_focussed="true"  
          android:drawable="@drawable/bg_focus" />  
    <item android:drawable="@drawable/bg_normal" />  
</selector>
```



Touch Feedback



Touch Feedback



Simple Accessibility Support

```
<Button  
    ...  
    android:contentDescription="@string/my_button_description"  
/>
```

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Custom Control Accessibility Support

```
public void setHeading(float heading) {  
    mHeading = heading;  
    sendAccessibilityEvent(AccessibilityEvent.TYPE_VIEW_TEXT_CHANGED);  
}  
  
@Override  
public boolean dispatchPopulateAccessibilityEvent(final AccessibilityEvent event)  
{  
    super.dispatchPopulateAccessibilityEvent(event);  
    String heading = String.valueOf(mheading);  
    if (heading.length() > AccessibilityEvent.MAX_TEXT_LENGTH)  
        heading = heading.substring(0, AccessibilityEvent.MAX_TEXT_LENGTH);  
    event.getText().add("Heading is " + heading + " degrees");  
    return true;  
}
```





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Using Touch Gestures

This class describes how to write apps that allow users to interact with an app via touch gestures. Android provides a variety of APIs to help you create and detect gestures.

Although your app should not depend on touch gestures for basic behaviors (since the gestures may not be available to all users in all contexts), adding touch-based interaction to your app can greatly increase its usefulness and appeal.

To provide users with a consistent, intuitive experience, your app should follow the accepted Android conventions for touch gestures. The [Gestures design guide](#) shows you how to use common gestures in Android apps. Also see the Design Guide for [Touch Feedback](#).

Lessons

Detecting Common Gestures

Learn how to detect basic touch gestures such as scrolling, flinging, and double-tapping, using [GestureDetector](#).

Tracking Movement

GET STARTED

DEPENDENCIES AND PREREQUISITES

- Android 1.6 (API Level 4)

YOU SHOULD ALSO READ

- [Input Events API Guide](#)
- [Sensors Overview](#)
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- [Design Guide for Gesture Feedback](#)
- [Design Guide for Touch Feedback](#)

TRY IT OUT

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Jazz Hands

```
@Override
public boolean onTouchEvent(MotionEvent event) {
    int action = event.getAction();

    if (event.getPointerCount() > 1) {
        int actionPointerId = action & MotionEvent.ACTION_POINTER_ID_MASK;
        int actionEvent = action & MotionEvent.ACTION_MASK;

        int pointerIndex = event.findPointerIndex(actionPointerId);
        int xPos = (int)event.getX(pointerIndex);
        int yPos = (int)event.getY(pointerIndex);
        // TODO Magic.
    }
}
```







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Motorola Xoom	328,762
Motorola DroidX	229,418
Samsung GT-I9000 Galaxy S	210,994
Samsung GT-I9300 Galaxy SIII	185,329
Google Nexus 7	132,242
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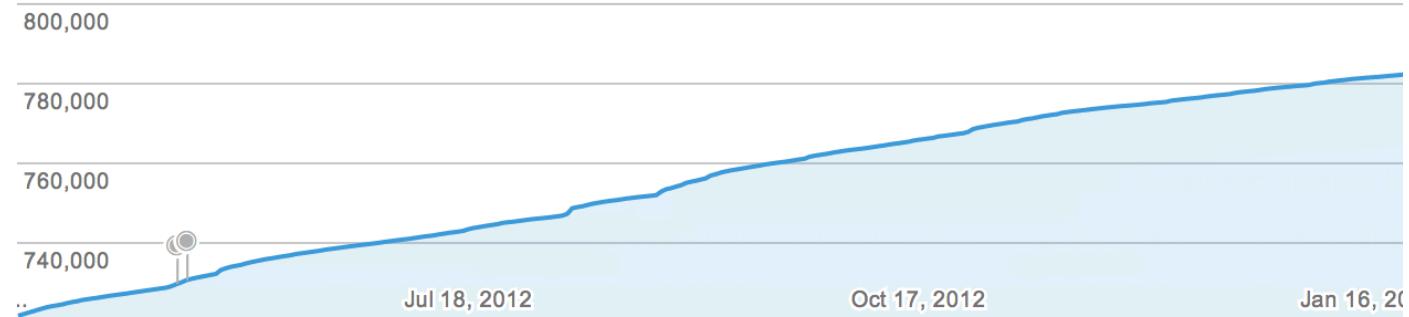
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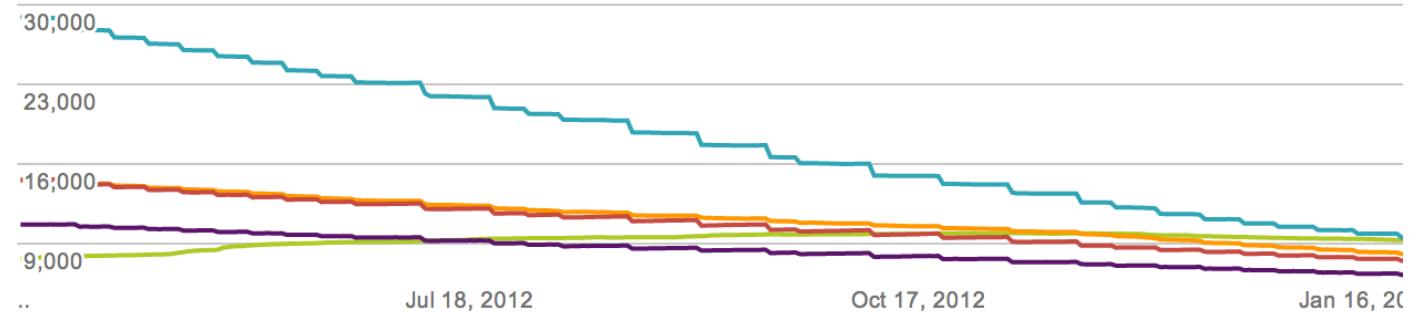
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Analytics Code

```
@Override  
public void onClick(View v) {  
    myTracker.sendEvent("ui_action", "button_press", "play_button", 0);  
    ...  
}
```











Amongst the Reasons to Transfer Data



Client Updates



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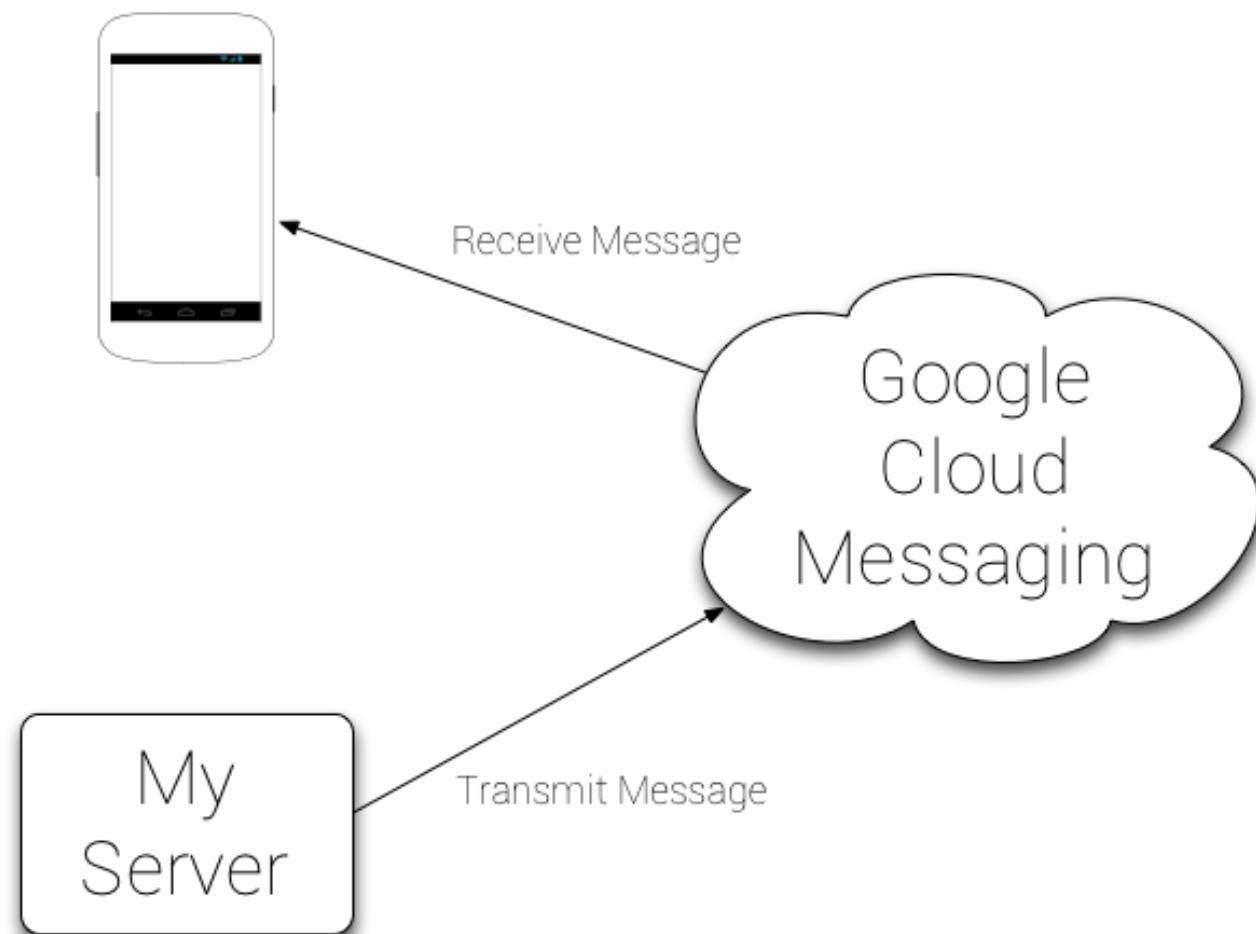
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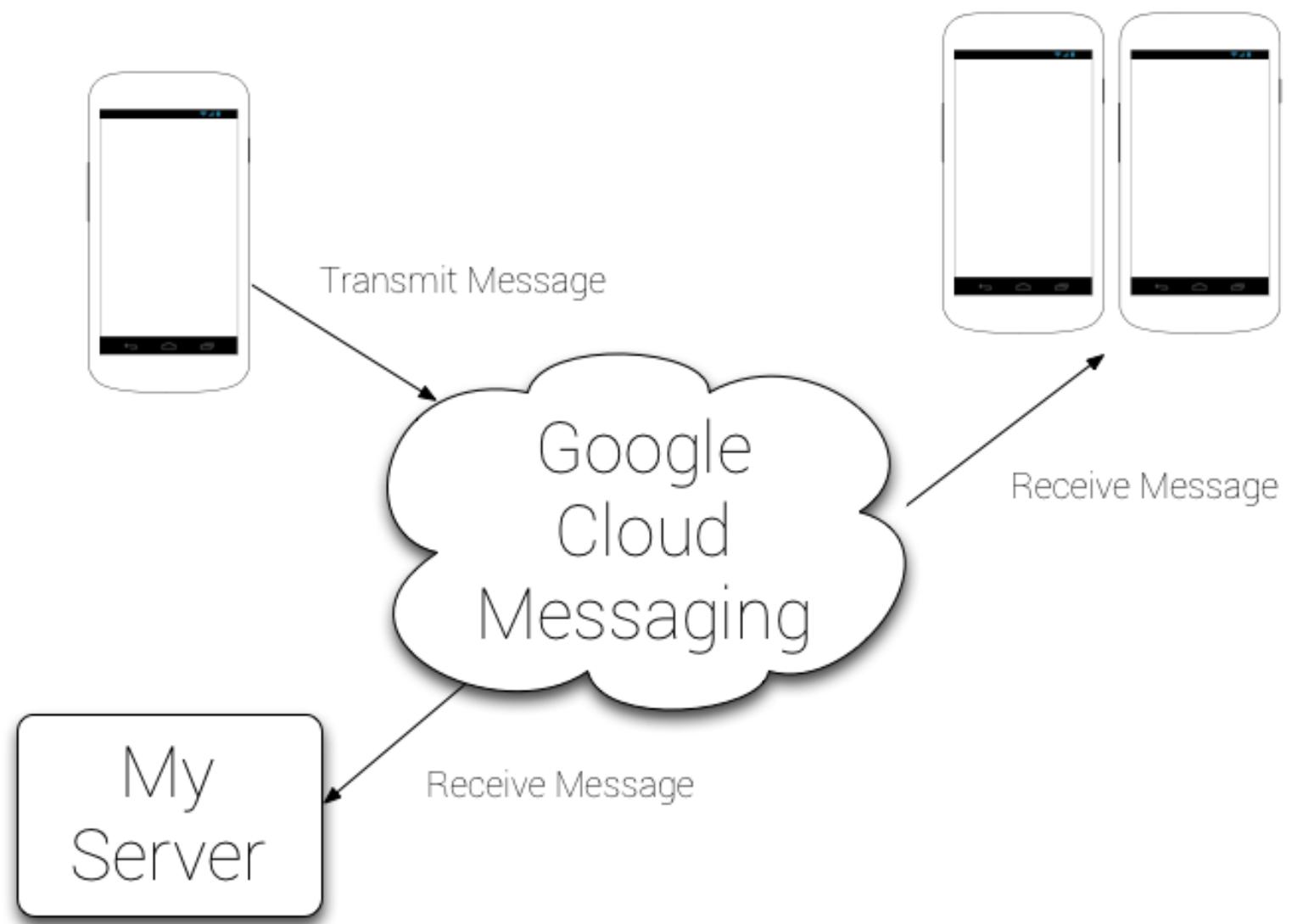
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Google Cloud Messaging: Upstream



Google Cloud Messaging: Upstream

```
GoogleCloudMessaging gcm = GoogleCloudMessaging.get(context);  
  
gcm.send(to, msgId, data);
```





Google Cloud Messaging

Francesco Nerieri

Room 12, 1:40pm

Amongst the Ways to Transfer Data

Client Updates

GCM

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Implementing a SyncAdapter

```
public class MySyncAdapter extends AbstractThreadedSyncAdapter {  
    public MySyncAdapter(Context context, boolean autoInitialize, boolean allowParallelSyncs) {  
        super(context, autoInitialize, allowParallelSyncs);  
    }  
  
    public MySyncAdapter(Context context, boolean autoInitialize) {  
        super(context, autoInitialize);  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public void onPerformSync(Account account, Bundle extras, String authority,  
            ContentProviderClient provider, SyncResult syncResult) {  
        // TODO Synchronize your data between client and server.  
    }  
}
```



SyncAdapter Service

```
public class MySyncService extends Service {  
    private static final Object sSyncAdapterLock = new Object();  
    private static MySyncAdapter sSyncAdapter = null;  
  
    @Override  
    public void onCreate() {  
        synchronized (sSyncAdapterLock) {  
            if (sSyncAdapter == null)  
                sSyncAdapter = new MySyncAdapter(getApplicationContext(), true);  
        }  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public IBinder onBind(Intent intent) {  
        return sSyncAdapter.getSyncAdapterBinder();  
    }  
}
```



Abstract Account Manager

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```
public class MyAccountAuthenticator extends AbstractAccountAuthenticator {  
    public static final String ACCOUNT_TYPE = "com.mycompany.myapp";  
    public static final String ACCOUNT_NAME = "MY STUB ACCOUNT";  
  
    @Override  
    public Bundle addAccount(AccountAuthenticatorResponse response, String accountType,  
        String authTokenType, String[] requiredFeatures, Bundle options)  
        throws NetworkErrorException {  
  
        AccountManager manager = AccountManager.get(activity);  
        final Account account = new Account(ACCOUNT_NAME, ACCOUNT_TYPE);  
        manager.addAccountExplicitly(account, null, null);  
        ContentResolver.setIsSyncable(account, authority, 1);  
        ContentResolver.setSyncAutomatically(account, authority, true);  
        return null;  
    }  
    ...  
}
```



Account Manager Service

MyAuthent

```
public class MyAuthenticationService extends Service {  
    MyAccountAuthenticator mAuthenticator;  
  
    @Override  
    public void onCreate() {  
        mAuthenticator = new MyAccountAuthenticator(this);  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public IBinder onBind(Intent intent) {  
        return mAuthenticator.getIBinder();  
    }  
}
```



Account Manager XML Config

```
<account-authenticator xmlns:android="..."  
    android:accountType="com.mycompany.myapp"  
    android:icon="@drawable/minicon"  
    android:smallIcon="@drawable/minicon"  
    android:label="@string/app_name"  
/>
```



Content Provider

```
public class MyContentProvider extends ContentProvider {  
    @Override  
    public boolean onCreate() { return true; }  
  
    @Override  
    public String getType(Uri uri) { return "vnd.android.cursor.dir/vnd.myapp.items"; }  
  
    @Override  
    public Cursor query(Uri uri, String[] projection, String selection,  
        String[] selectionArgs, String sort){ return null; }  
  
    @Override  
    public Uri insert(Uri uri, ContentValues initialValues) { return null; }  
  
    @Override  
    public int delete(Uri uri, String where, String[] whereArgs) { return 0; }  
  
    @Override  
    public int update(Uri uri, ContentValues values, String where, String[] whereArgs) { return 0; }  
}
```

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Manifest

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```
<provider android:authorities="com.mycompany.myapp.myauthority"  
          android:name=".content_providers.PlaceDetailsContentProvider"
```



Sync Adapter XML Config

```
<sync-adapter xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    android:contentAuthority="com.mycompany.myapp.myauthority"
    android:accountType="com.mycompany.myapp"
    android:userVisible="false"
/>
```



Manifest

Andr

```
<provider android:authorities="com.mycompany.myapp.myauthority"
          android:name=".content_providers.PlaceDetailsContentProvider" />

<service android:name=".MyAuthenticationService" android:exported="true">
    <intent-filter>
        <action android:name="android.accounts.AccountAuthenticator" />
    </intent-filter>
    <meta-data
        android:name="android.accounts.AccountAuthenticator"
        android:resource="@xml/accountauth" />
</service>

<service android:name=".MySyncService" android:exported="true">
    <intent-filter>
        <action android:name="android.content.SyncAdapter" />
    </intent-filter>
    <meta-data
        android:name="android.content.SyncAdapter"
        android:resource="@xml/sync_myapp" />
</service>
```



Triggering Syncs

```
final Account account =
    new Account(null, MyAccountAuthenticator.ACCOUNT_TYPE);
String authority = "com.mycompany.myapp.myauthority"

mContentResolver.requestSync(account, authority, null);
```



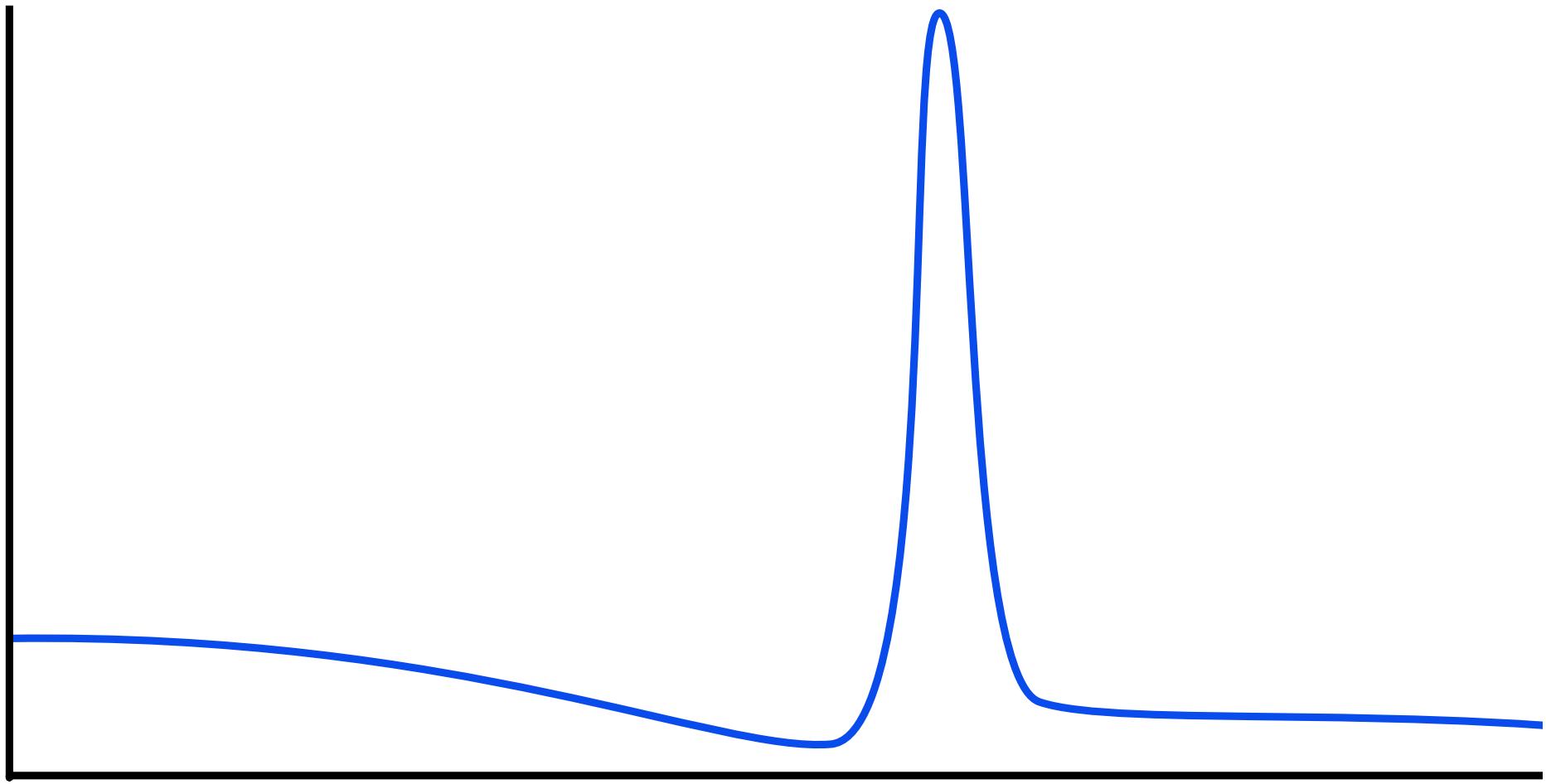
Periodic Repeating Syncs

```
final Account account =
    new Account(null, MyAccountAuthenticator.ACCOUNT_TYPE);
String authority = "com.myapp.myauthority"
long interval = 24*60*60; // 12 hours (24hr by default).

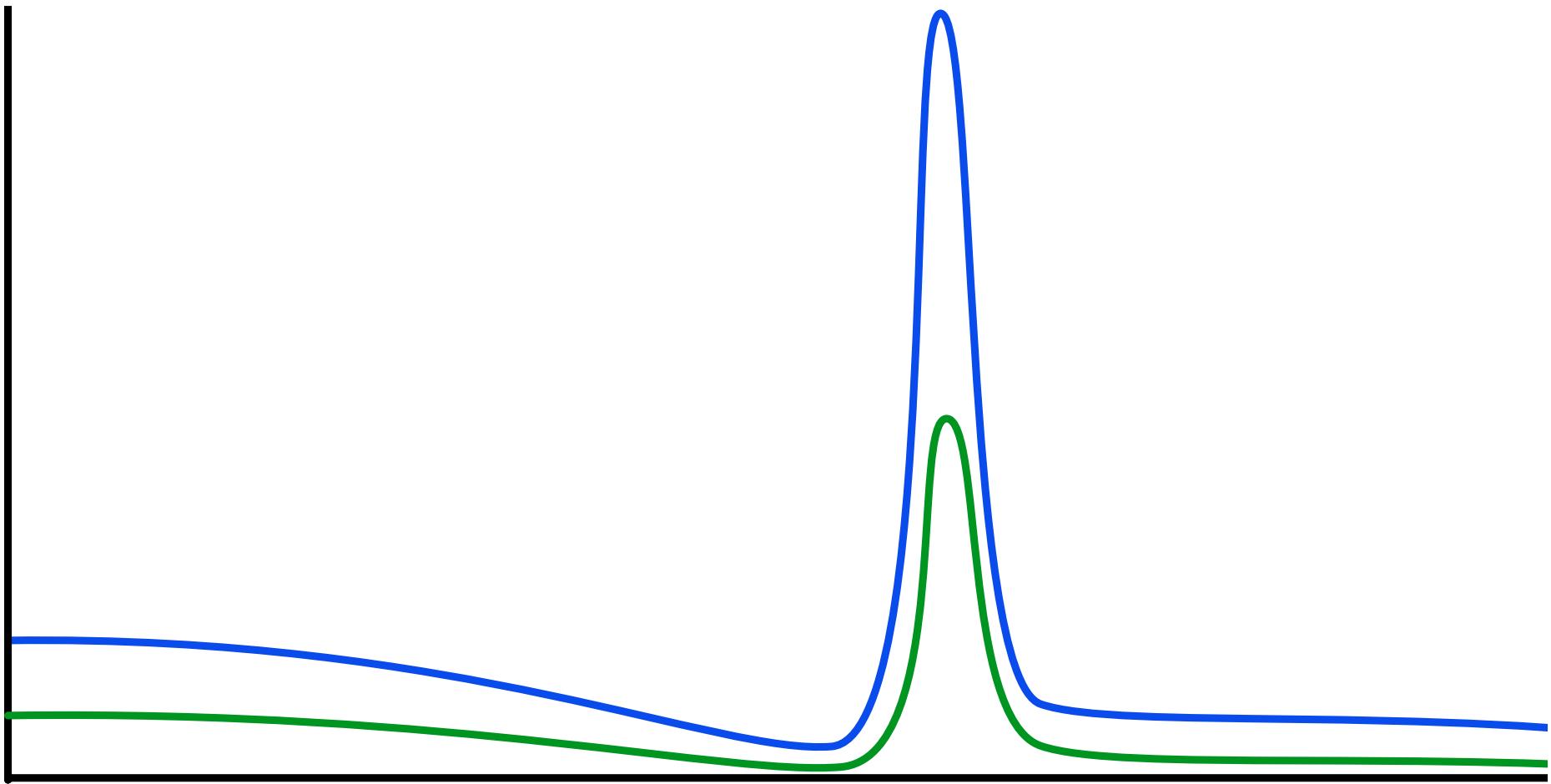
mContentResolver.addPeriodicSync(account, authority, null, interval)
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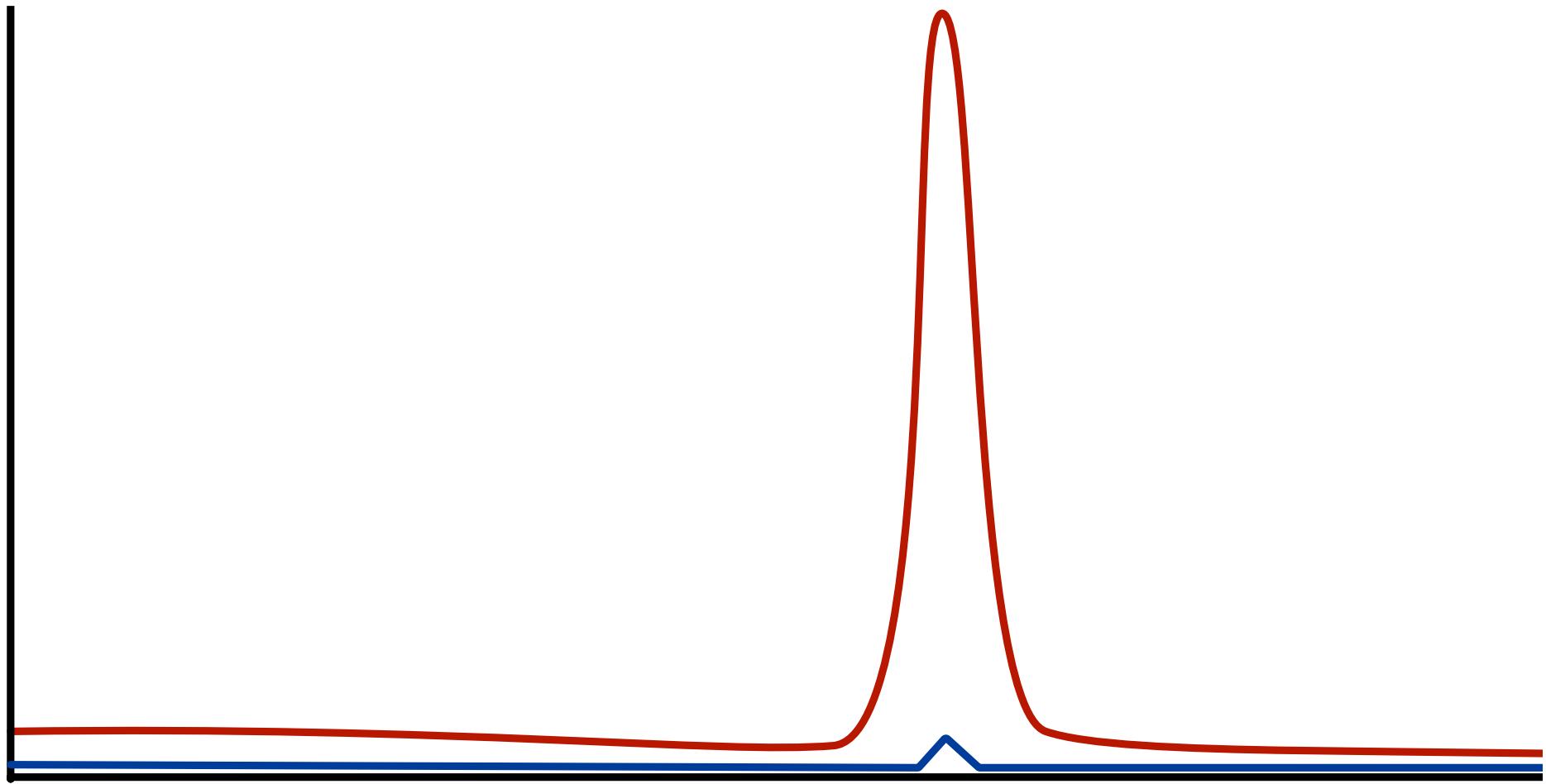
Your Server Spike



Do You Even Scale?



Carrier Service Spike



Update Window

```
int alarmType = AlarmManager.ELAPSED_REALTIME;
long interval = AlarmManager.INTERVAL_HOUR;

// int jitter = 3 // (Chosen by fair dice roll. Guaranteed to be ran
Random random = new Random();
int jitter = random.nextInt(60);

long start = SystemClock.elapsedRealtime() + interval - ((30 + jitte
alarmManager.setInexactRepeating(alarmType, start, interval, pi)
```



Update Window

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alarmManager.setInexactRepeating(alarmType, start, interval, pi)
```



Activity Recognition: Pickup Trigger

```
@Override  
public void onReceive(Context context, Intent intent) {  
    // Extract the Activity that's been detected.  
    ActivityDetectionResult activity =  
        ActivityDetectionResult.extractResult(intent);  
  
    if (activity != null) {  
        ActivityType activityType = activity.getMostProbableActivity();  
        if (ActivityType.valueOf(activityTypeString) == ActivityType.TI  
            context.startService(new Intent(context, DailyUpdateService.c  
        }  
    }  
}
```





SyncAdapter



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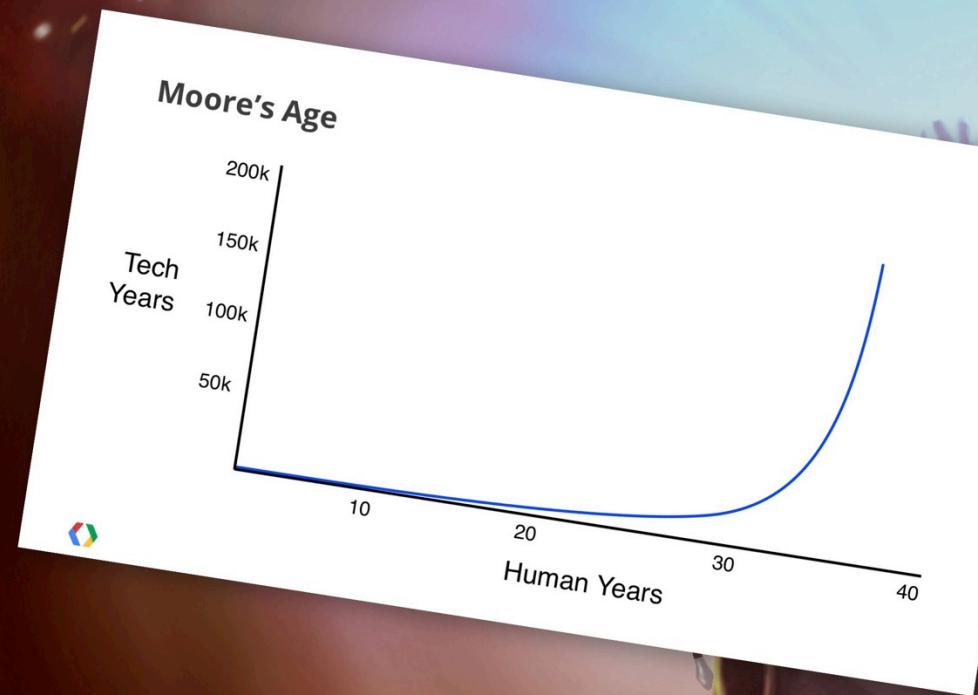


SyncAdapter with Calls to Other Updates

```
M  
@Override  
public void onPerformSync(Account account, Bundle extras, String au  
ContentProviderClient provider, SyncResult syncResult  
  
downloadServerSideSync();  
uploadClientSideSync();  
transmitBatchedAnalytics();  
executePrefetch();  
retryFailedTransfers();  
}
```



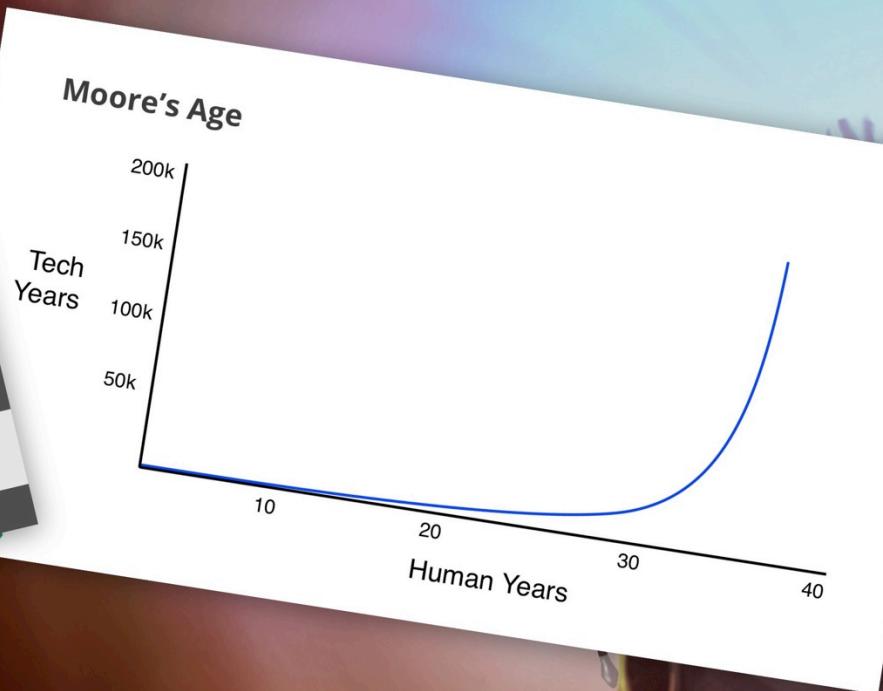


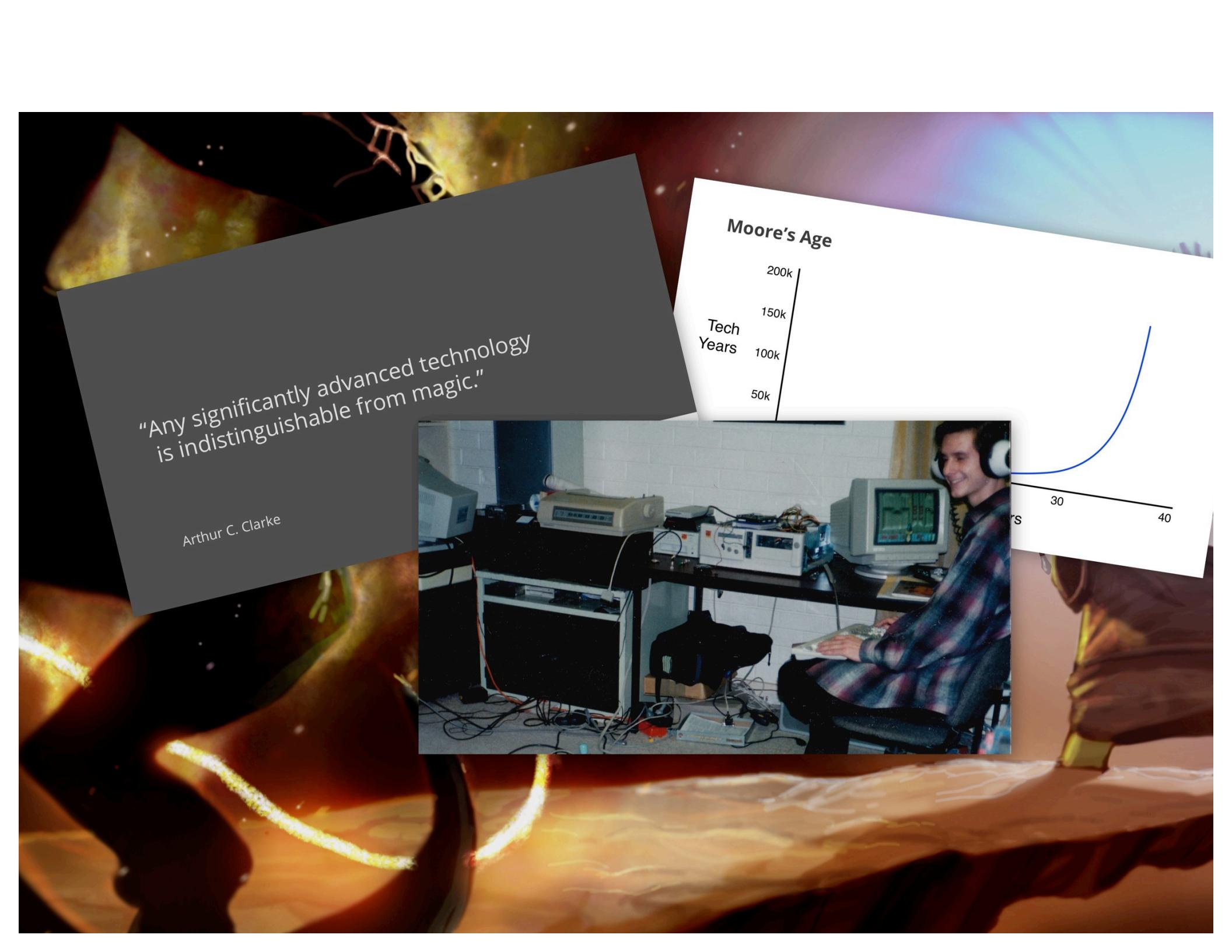




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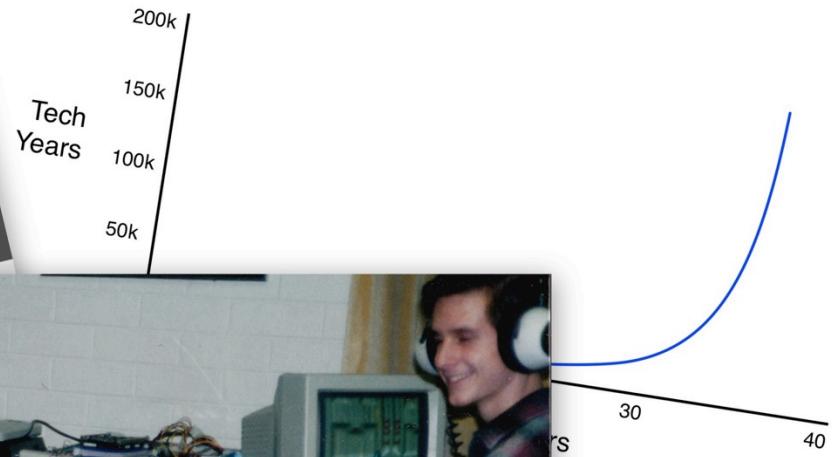


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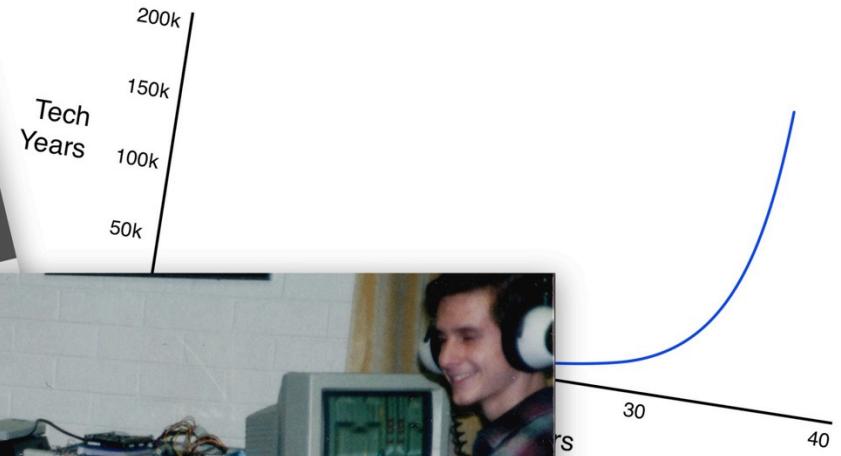
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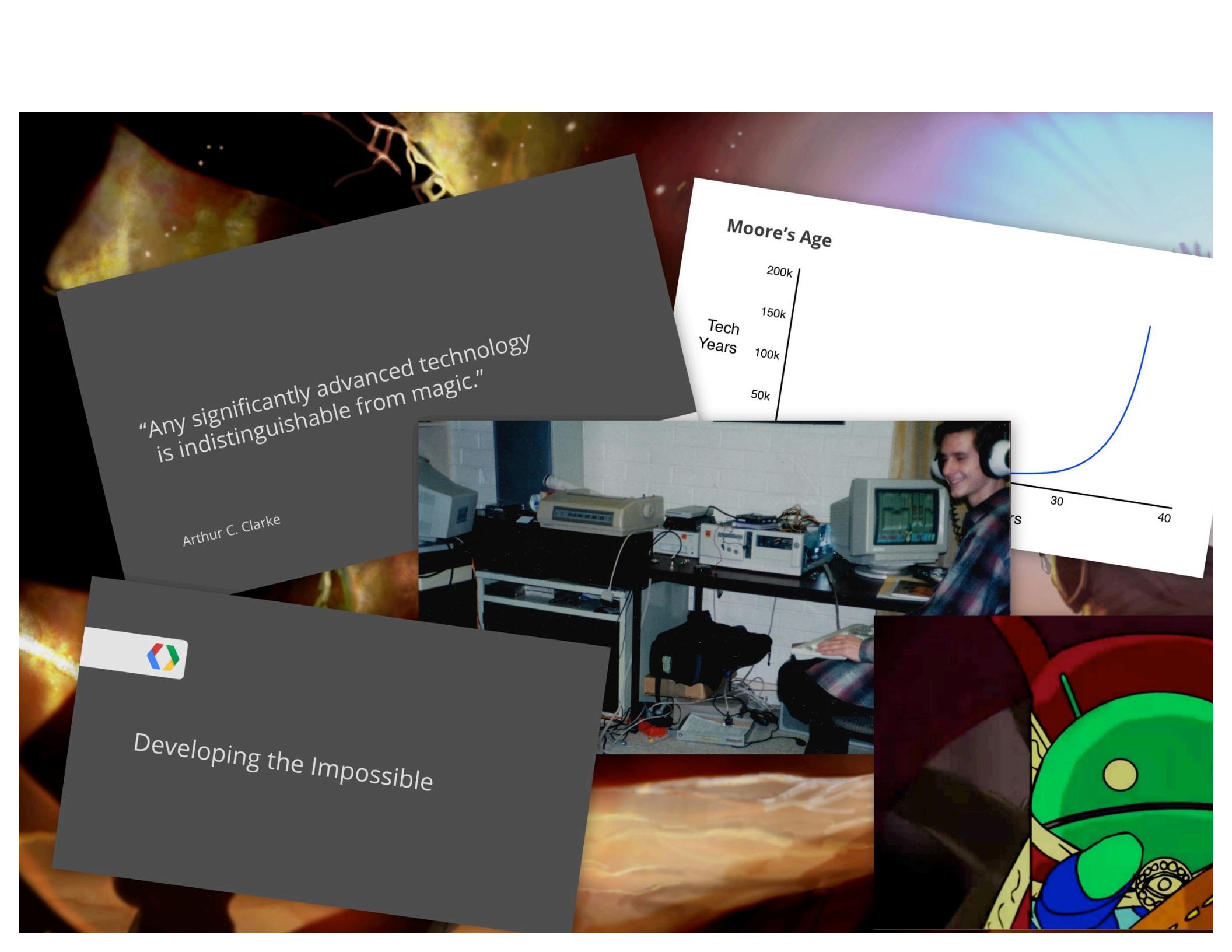
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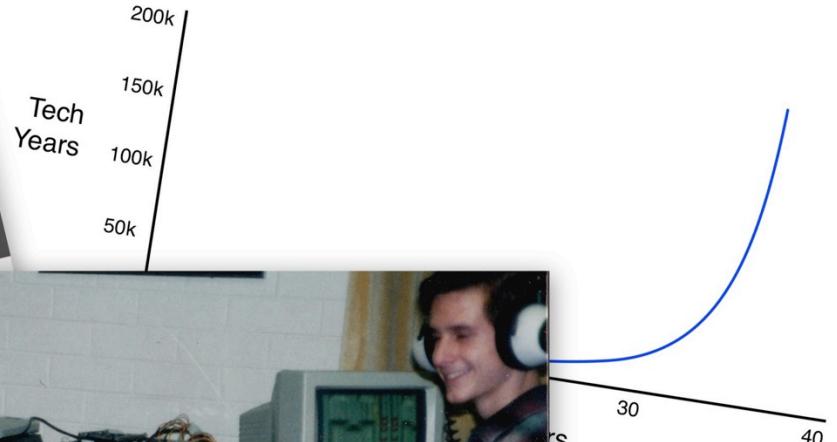




"Any significantly advanced technology
is indistinguishable from magic."

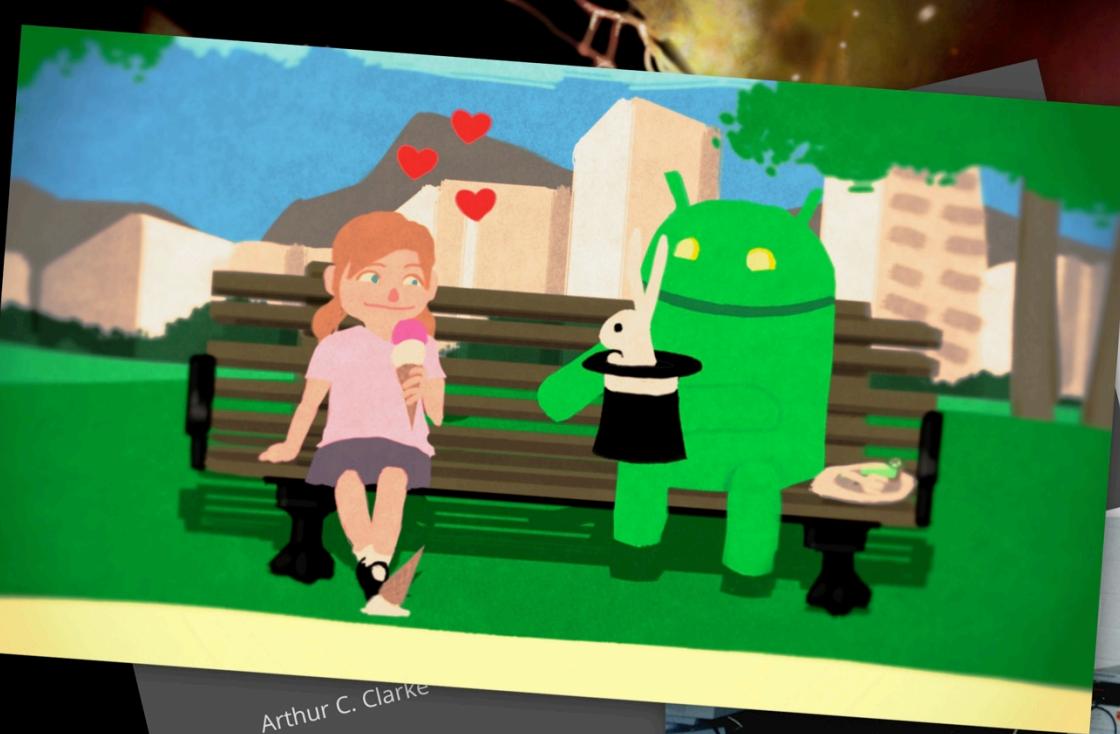
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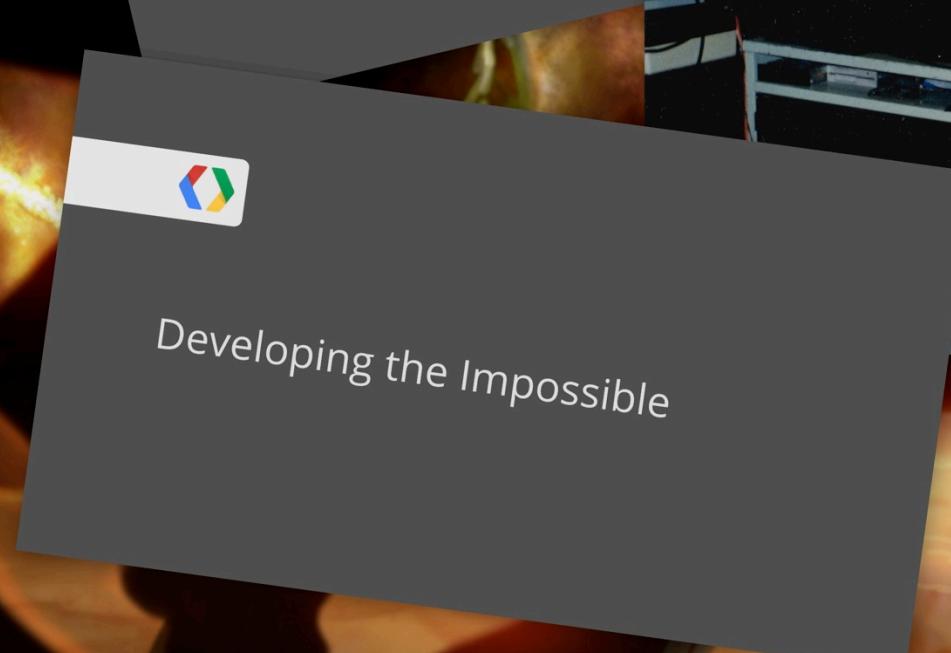


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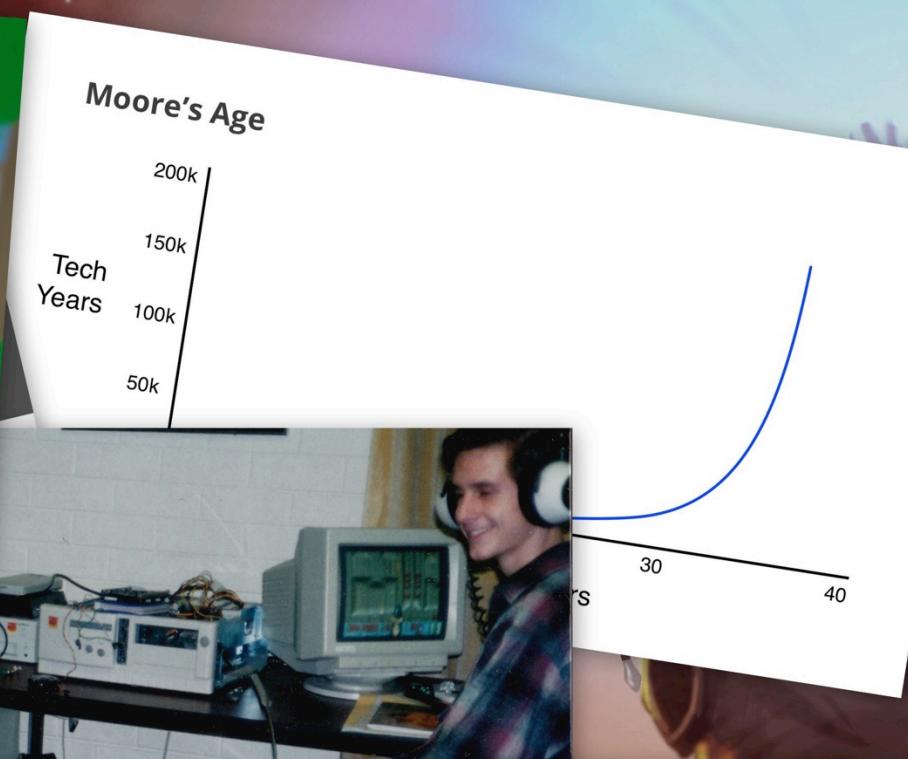




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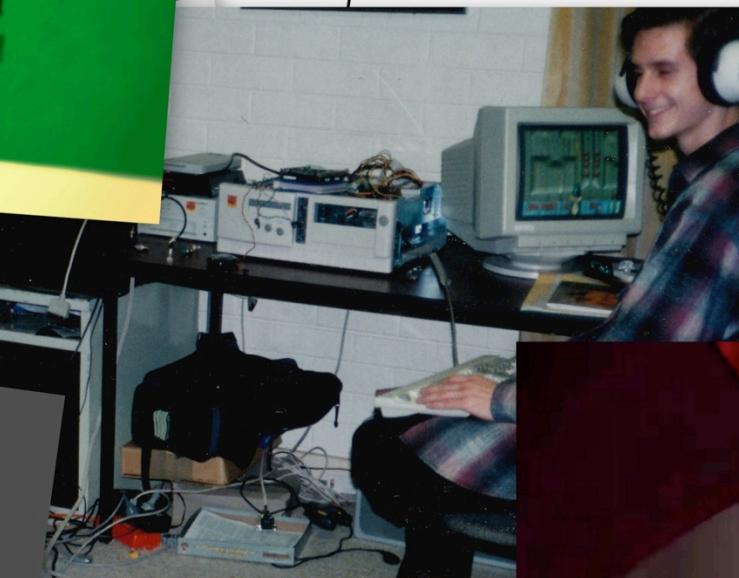
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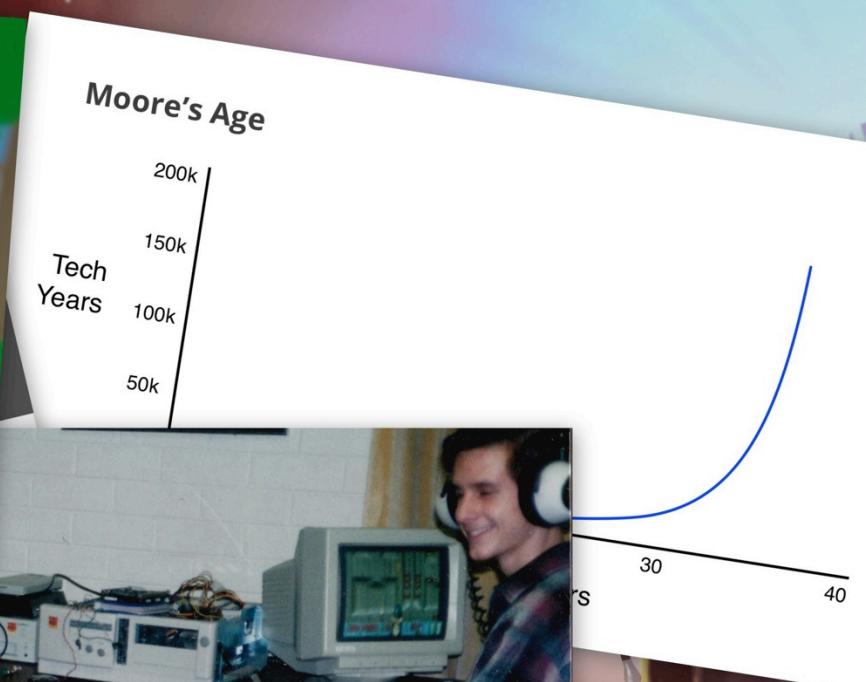
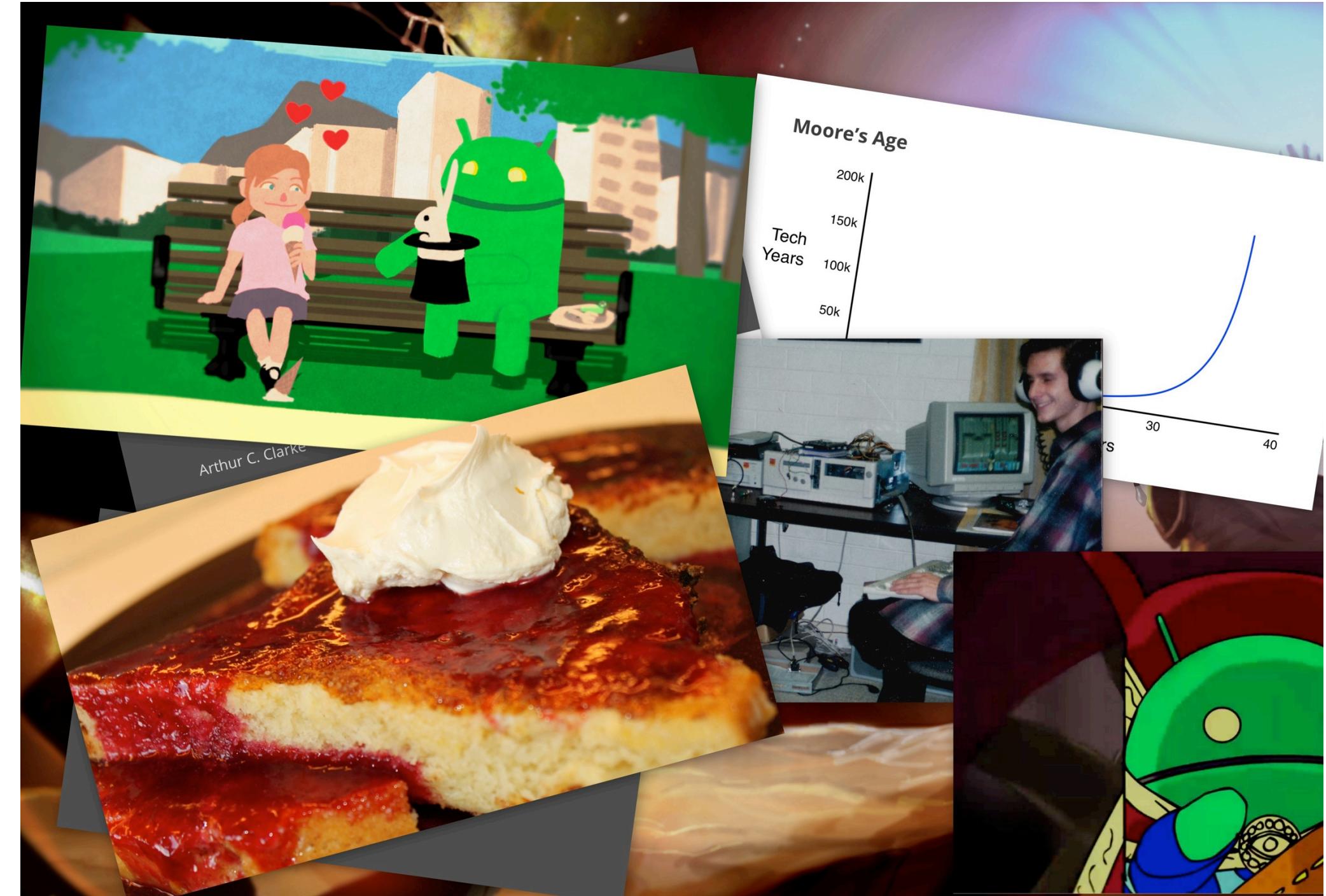


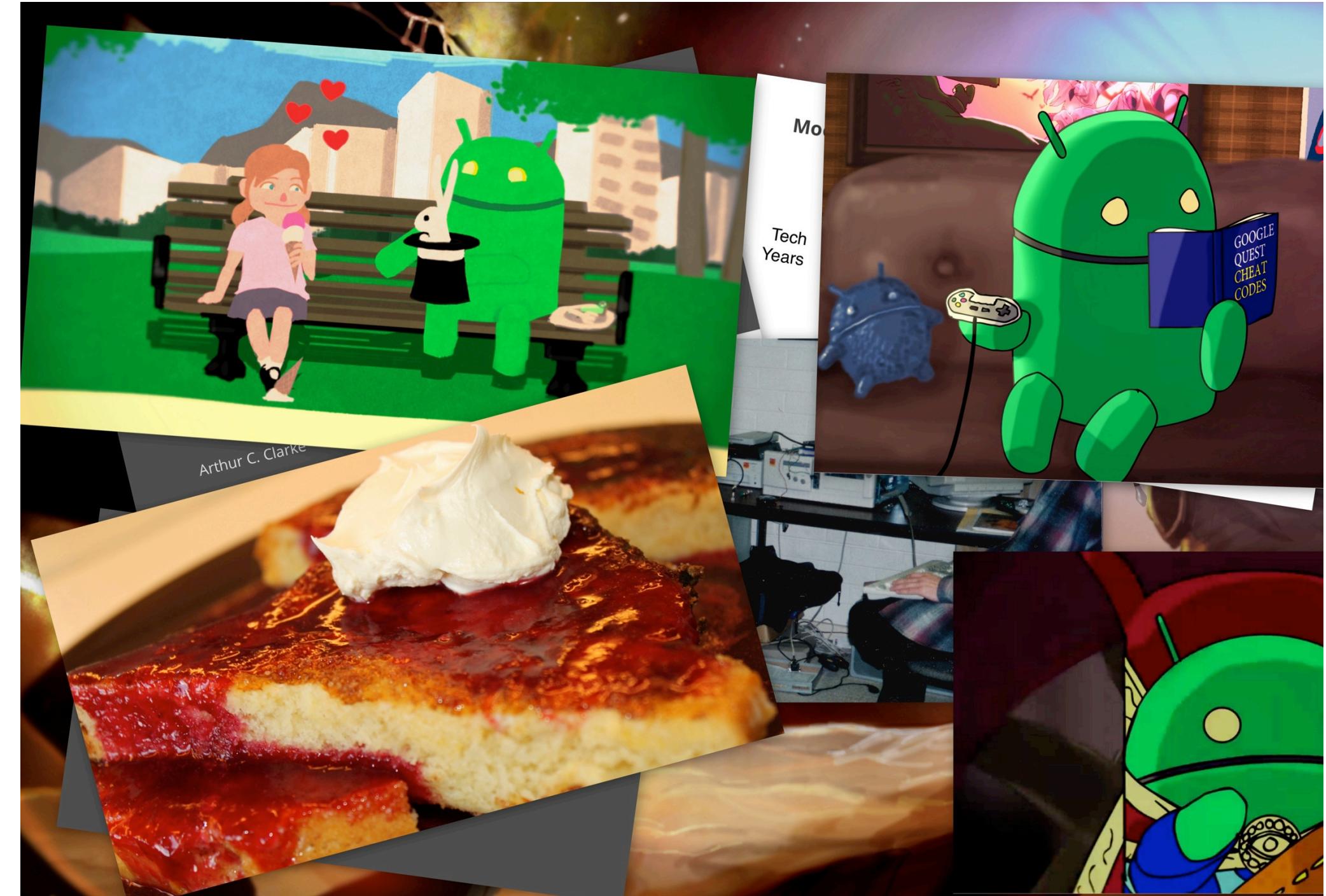
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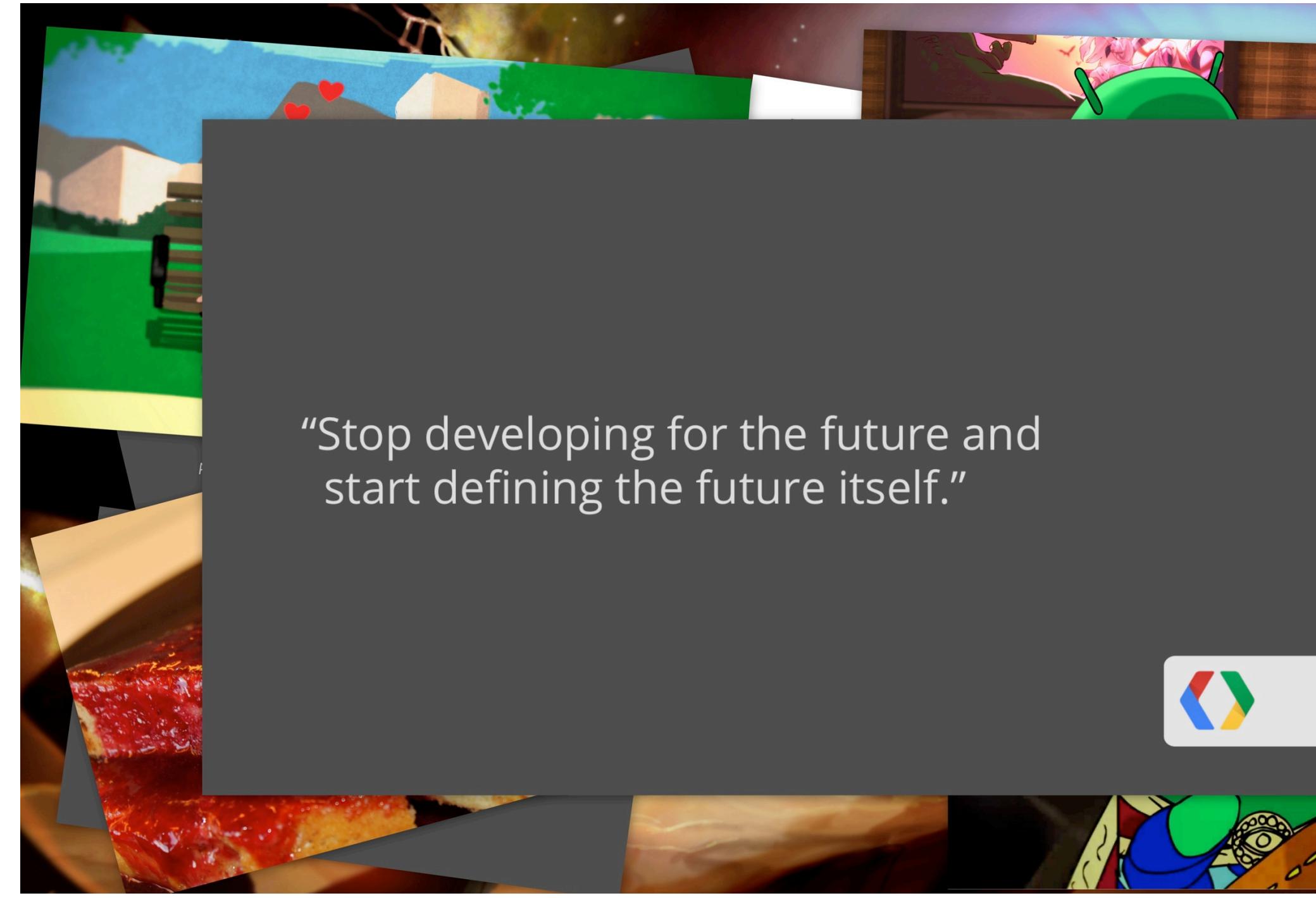
Tech Years

Years	Tech Years
30	~50k
40	~200k









“Stop developing for the future and start defining the future itself.”



Thank You!

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