



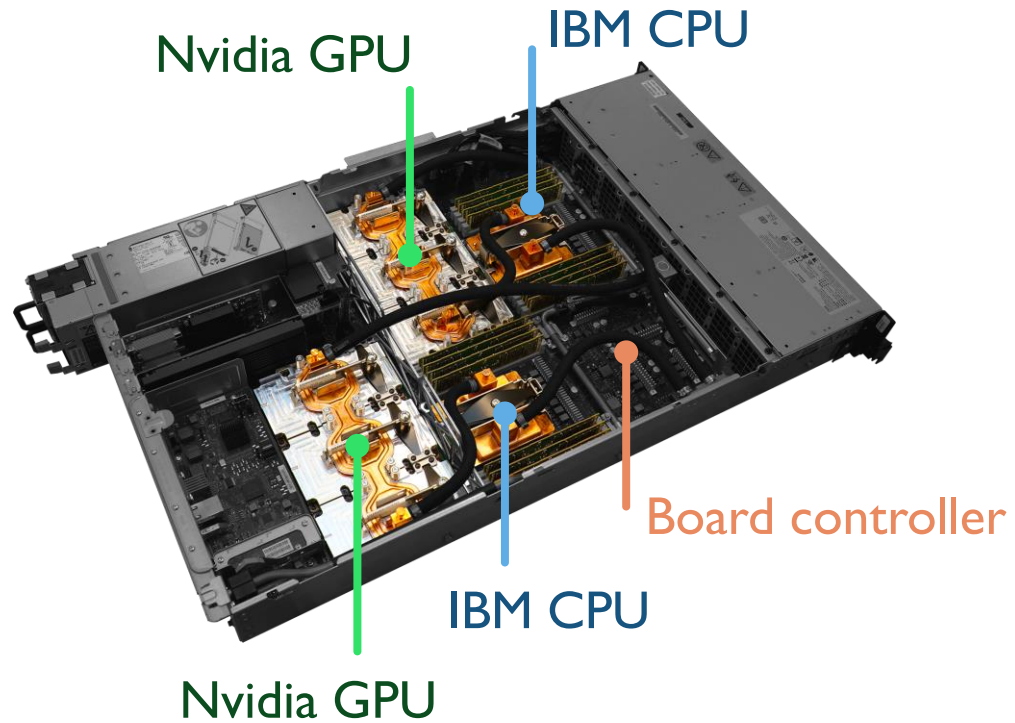
Tangram: Integrated Control of Heterogeneous Computers

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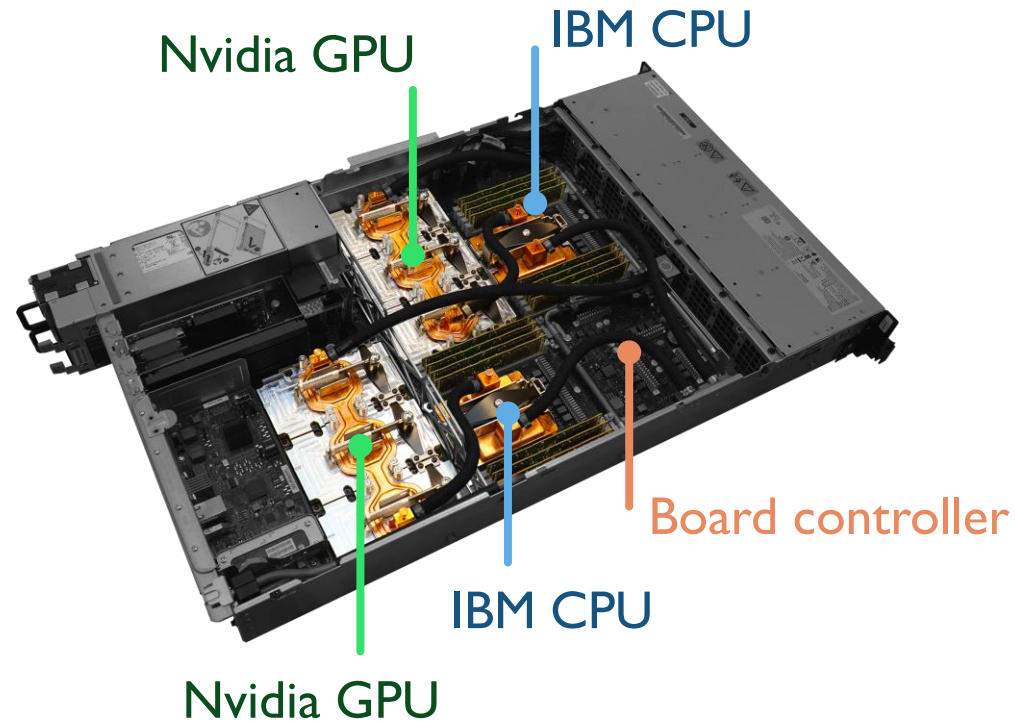
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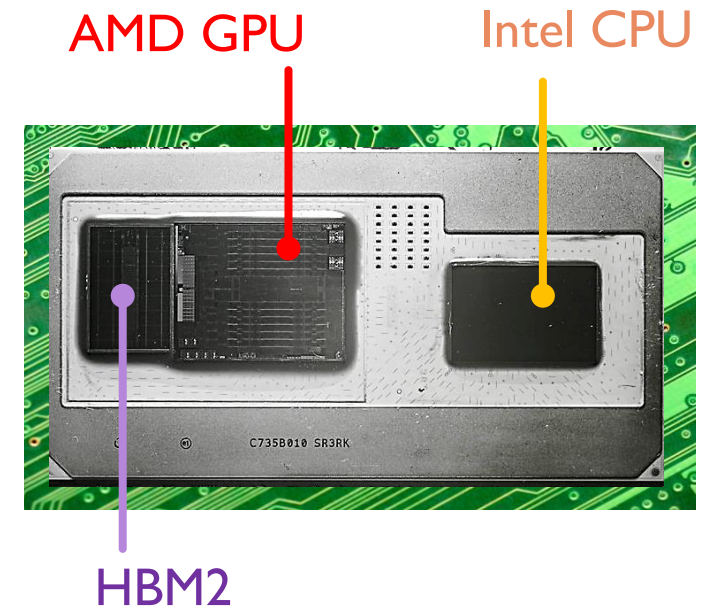


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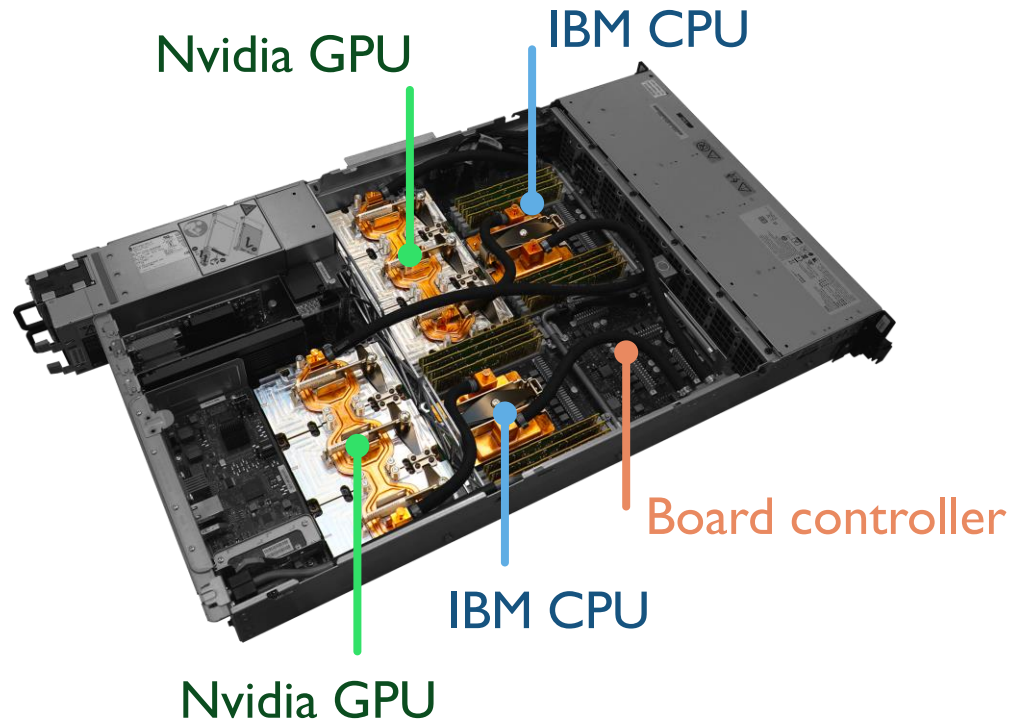


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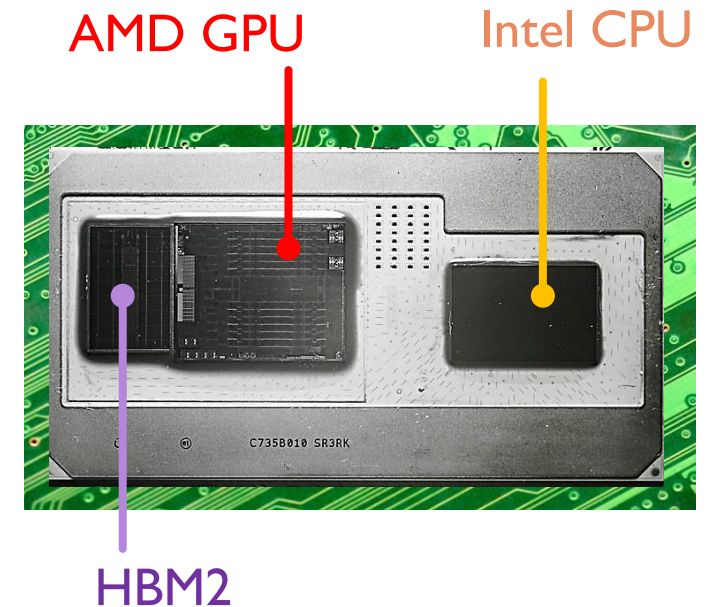


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Challenge: System-wide efficiency with distributed resource control

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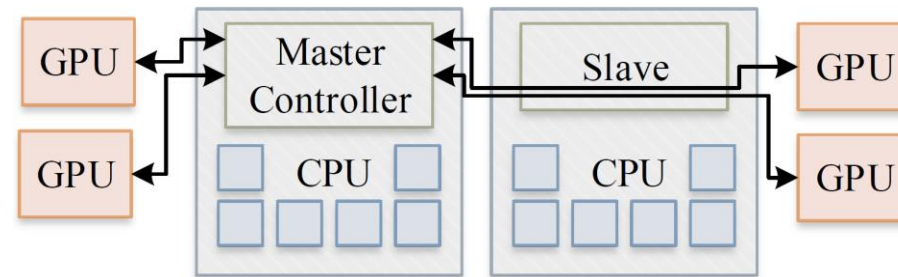
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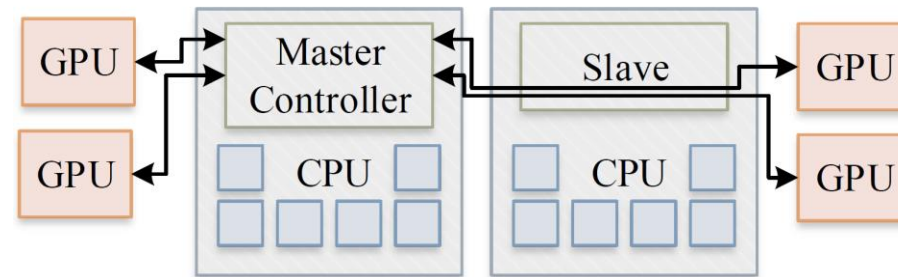
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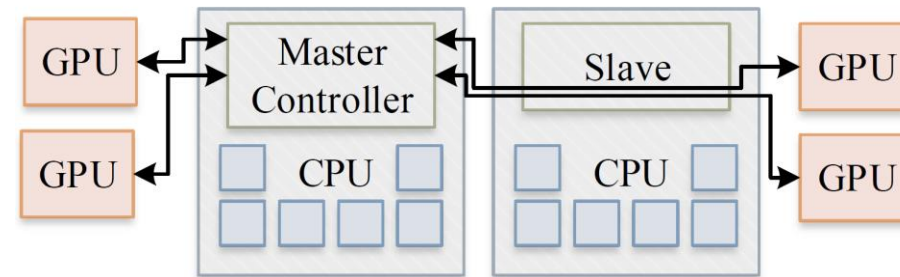
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2. Heuristics appear intuitive

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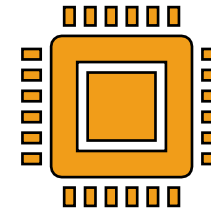
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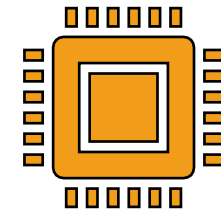
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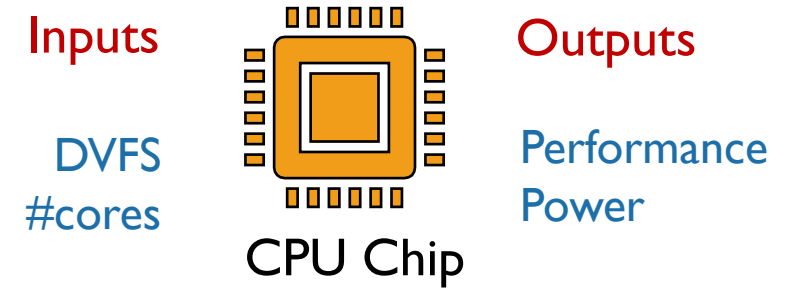


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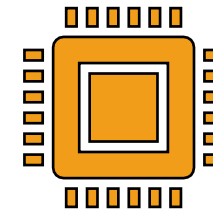


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Targets

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#cores

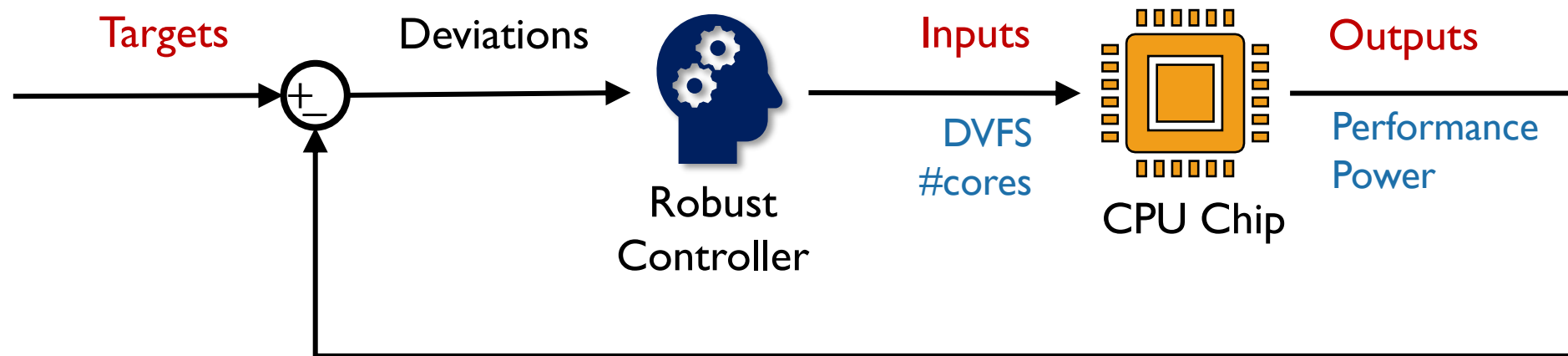


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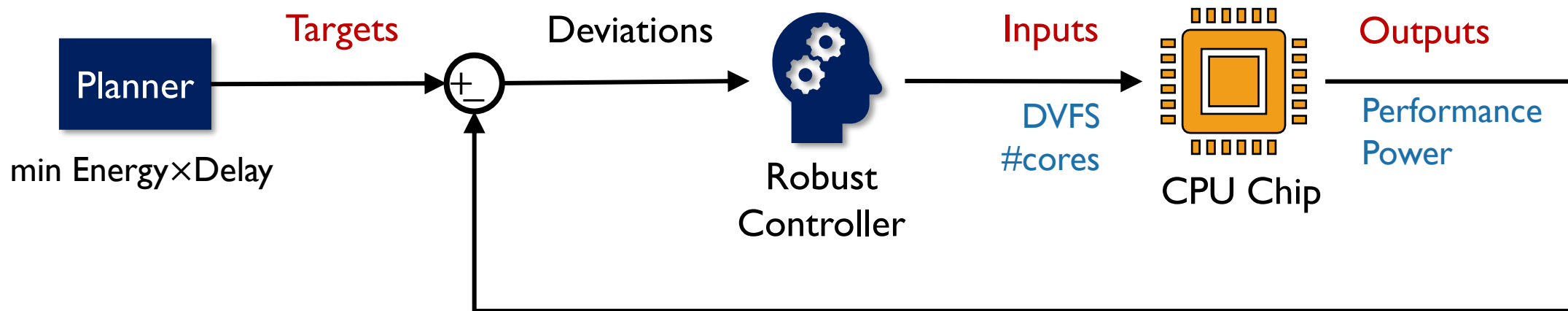
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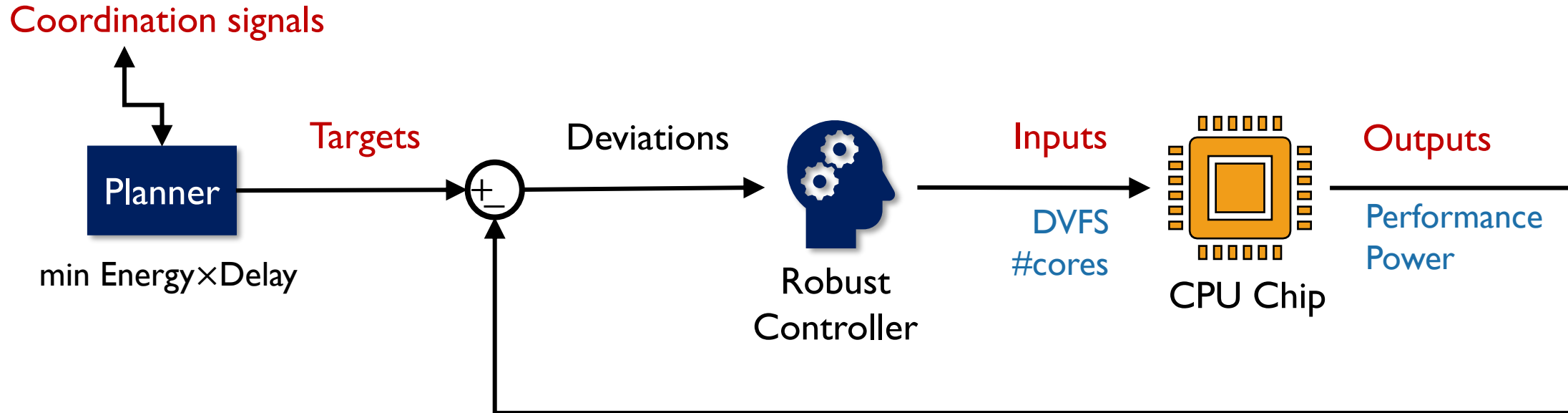
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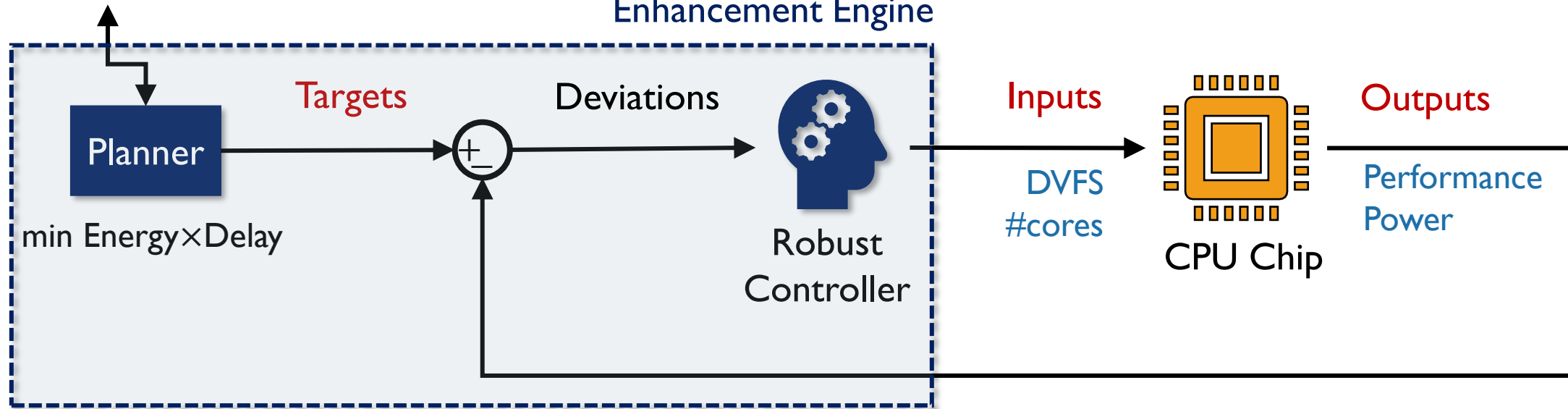
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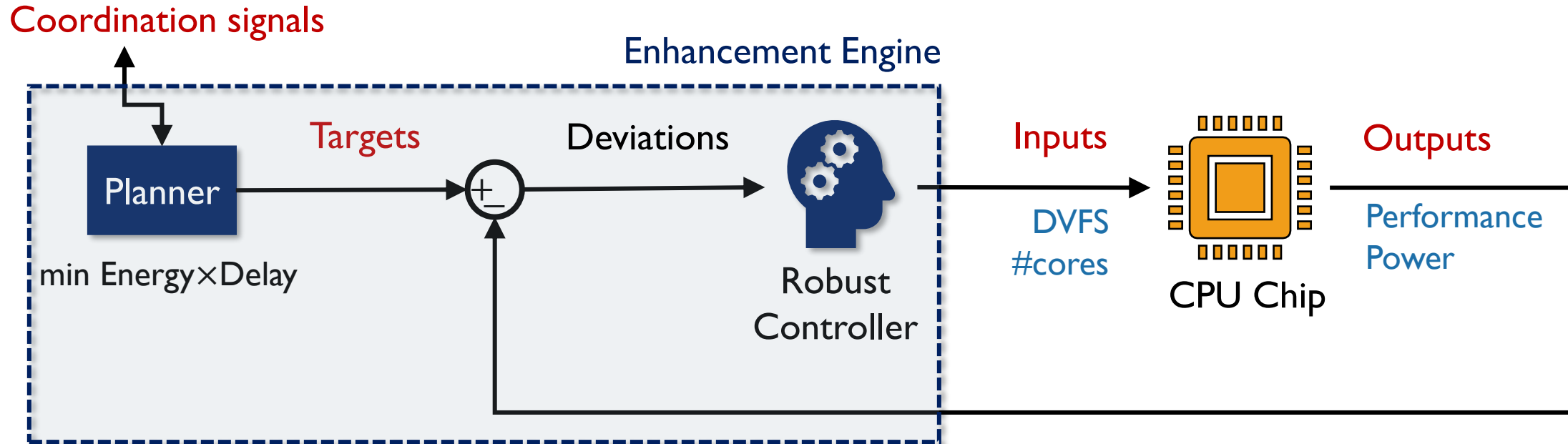
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Coordination signals

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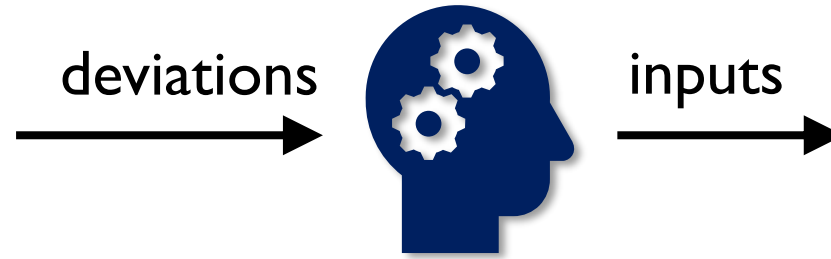


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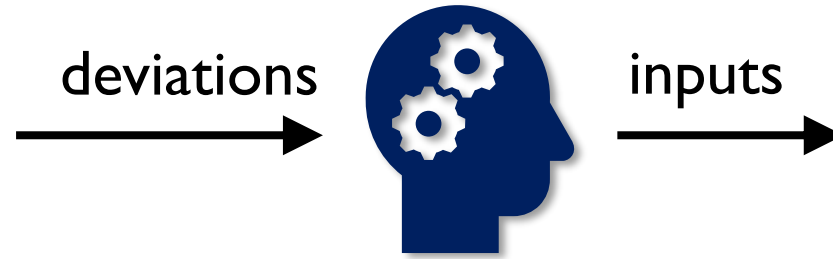


Formal, coordinated optimization replaces piecemeal heuristics

Robust Controller Operation

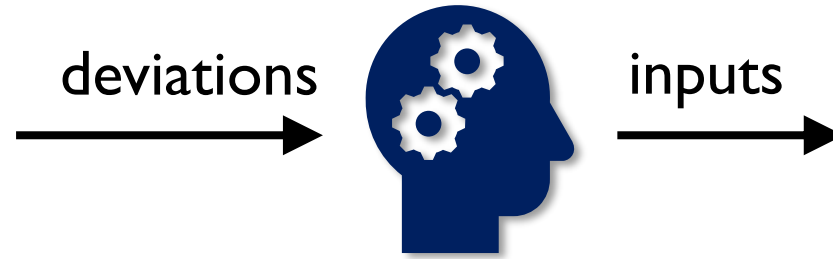


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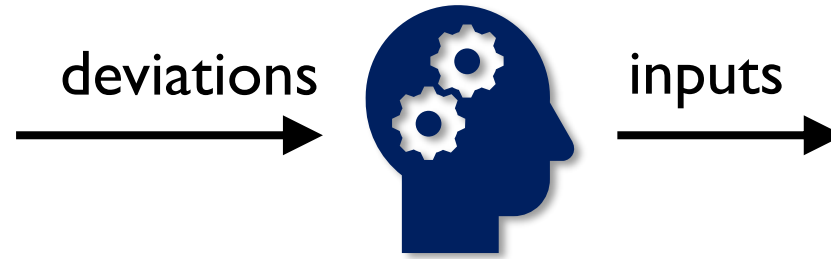
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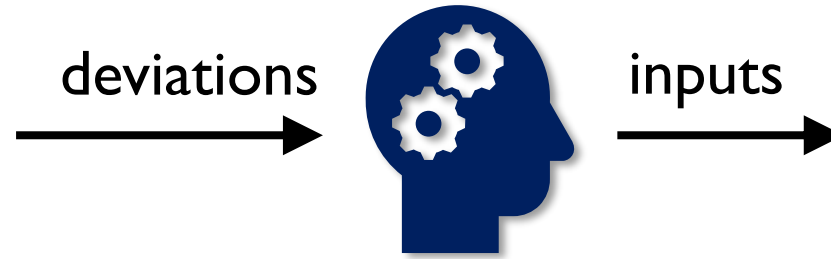


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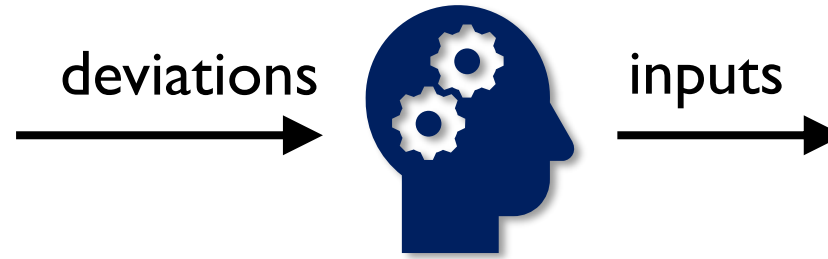
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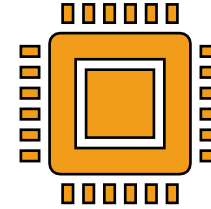


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Deviations are small even when runtime conditions differ from design conditions

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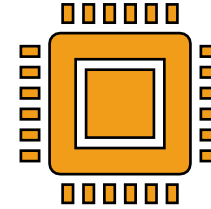


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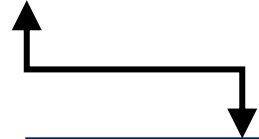


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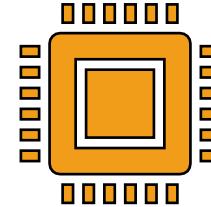
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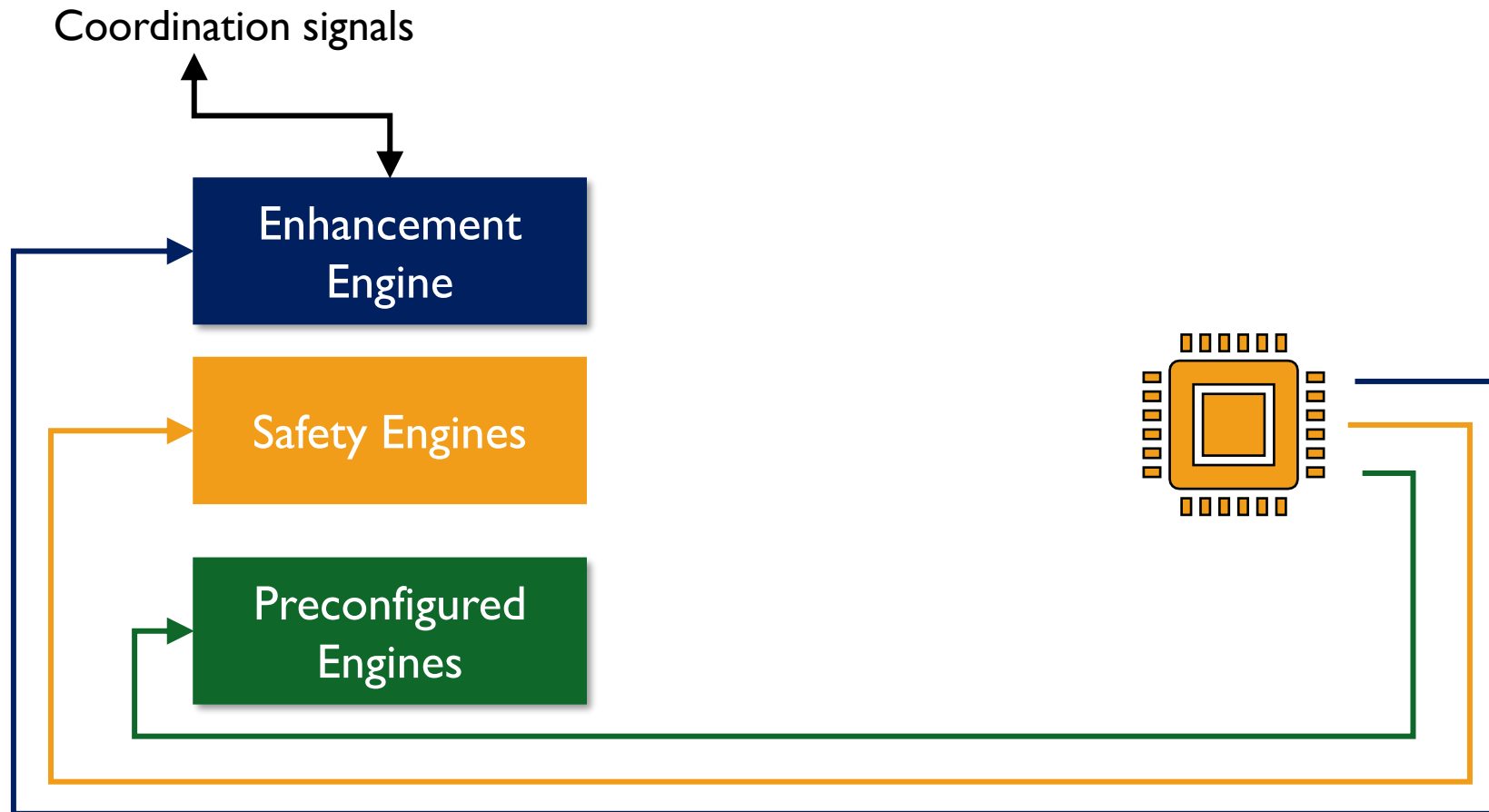
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Safety Engines

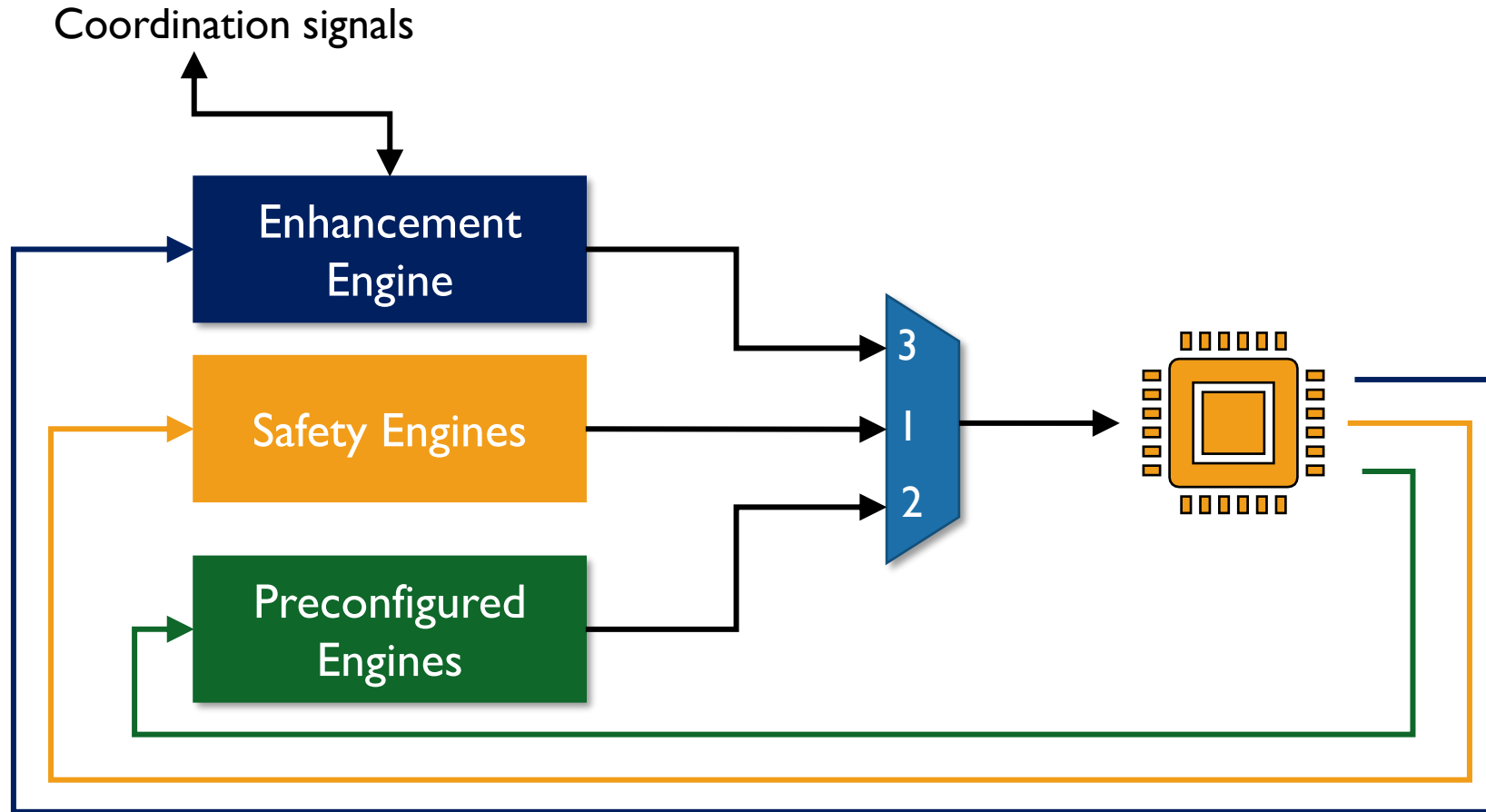
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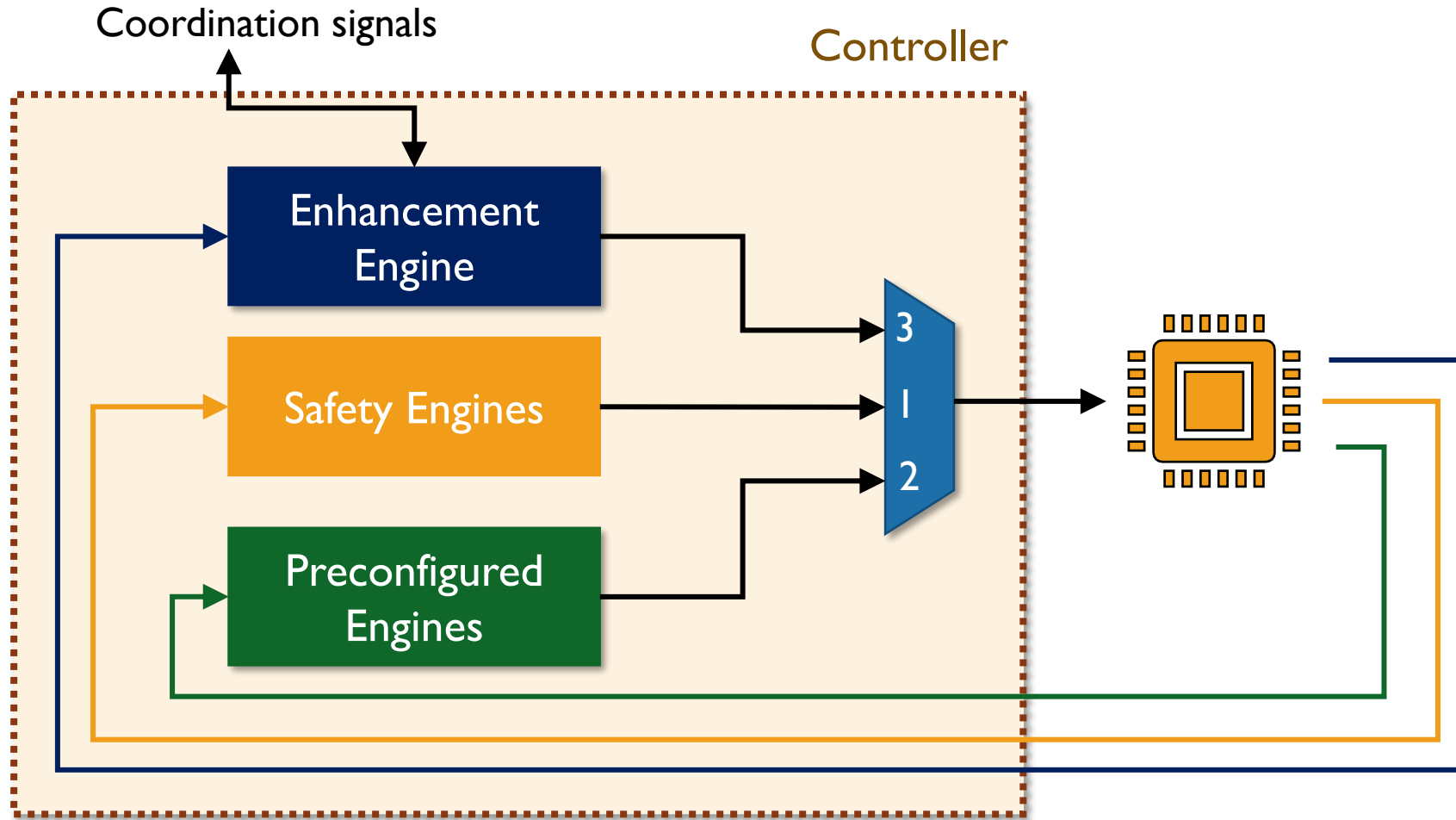
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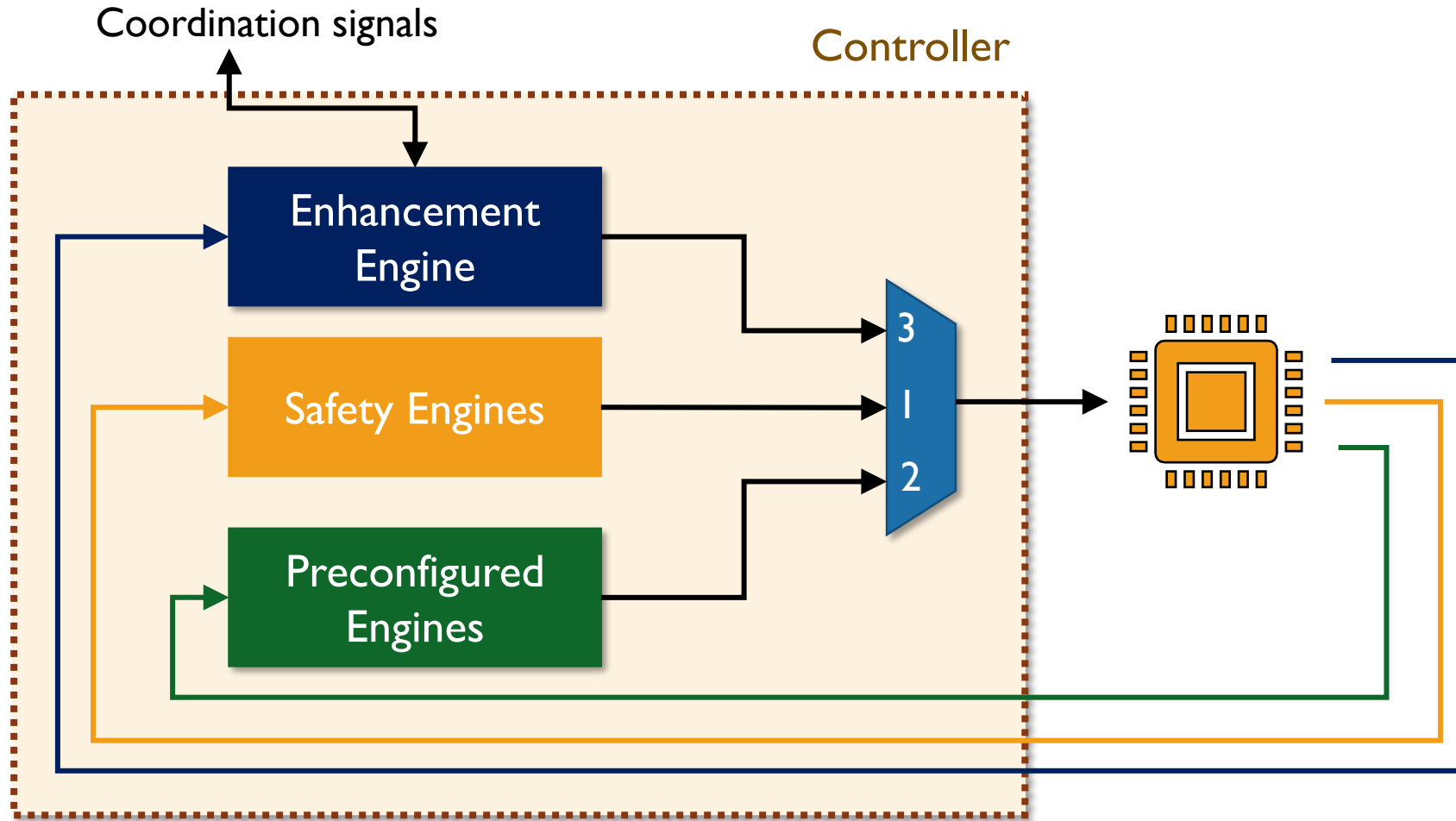
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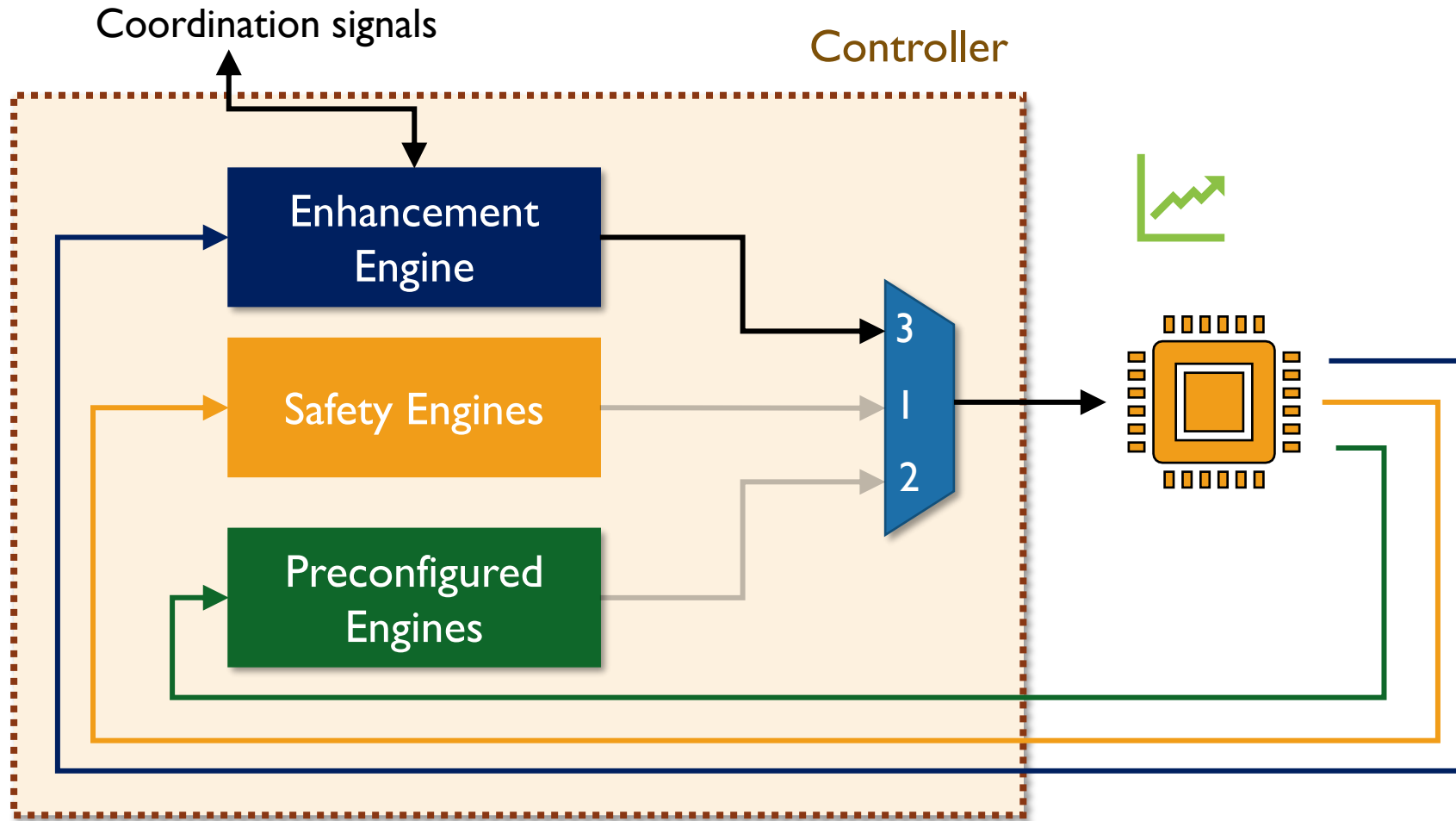


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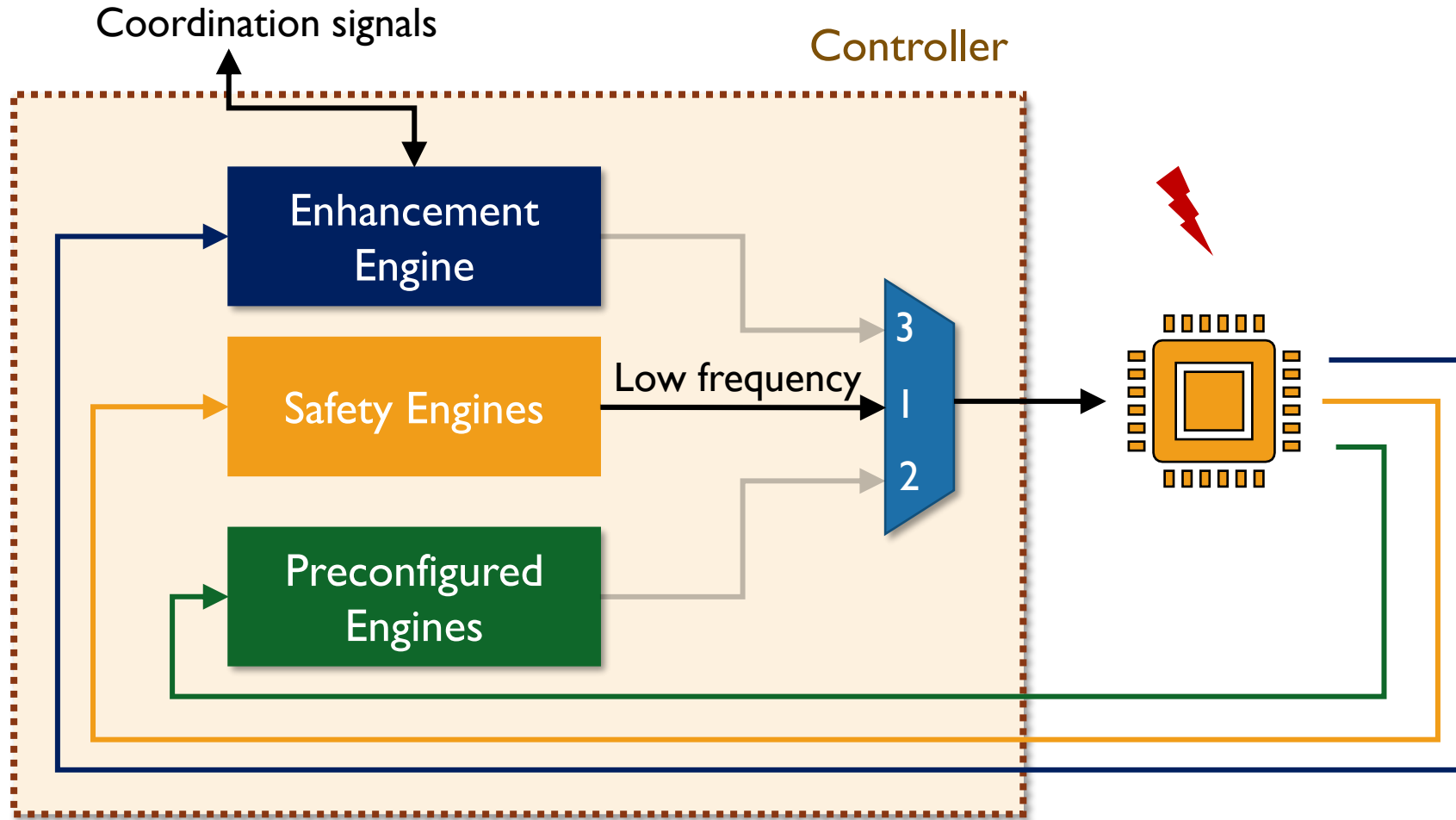
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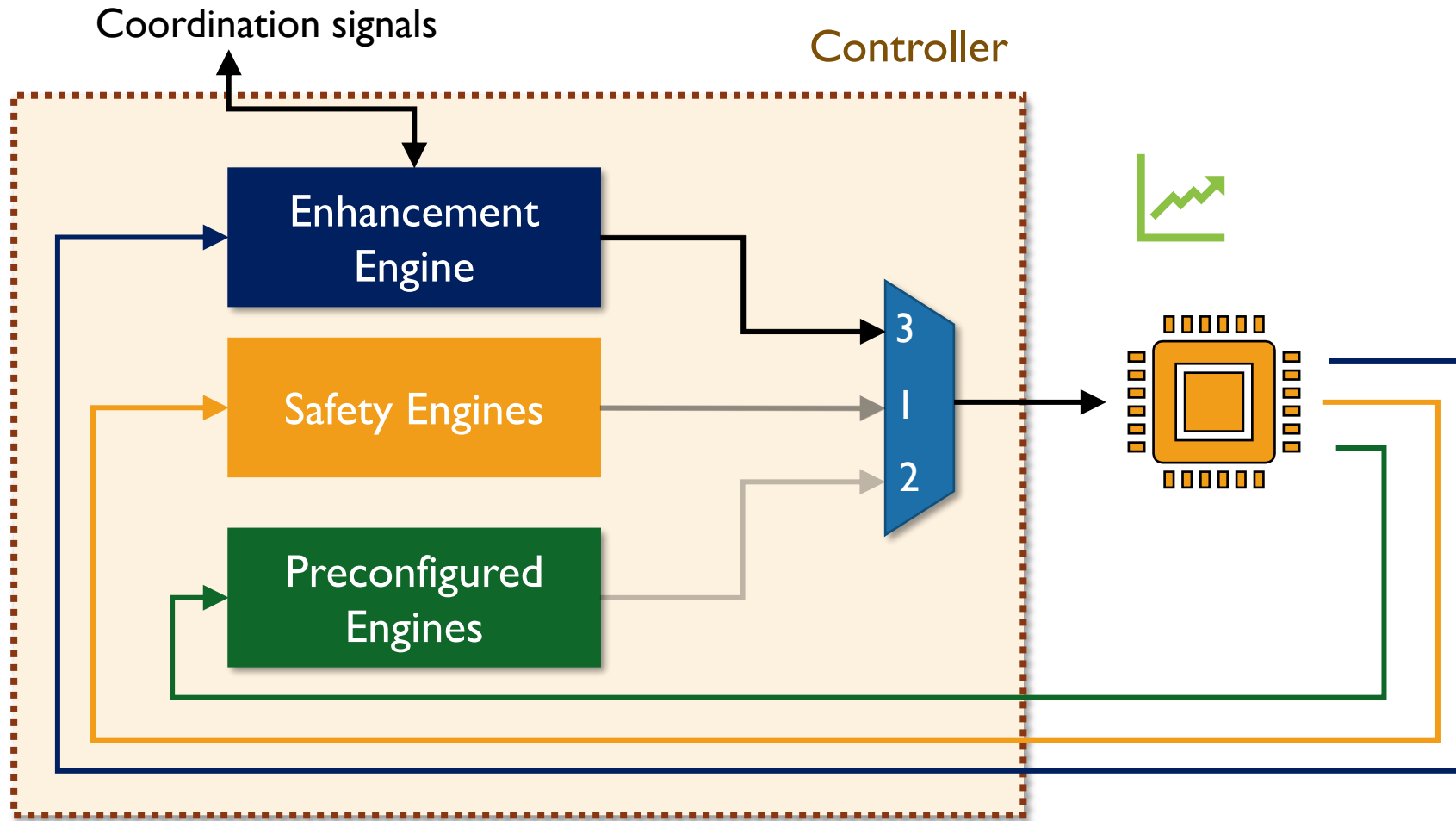
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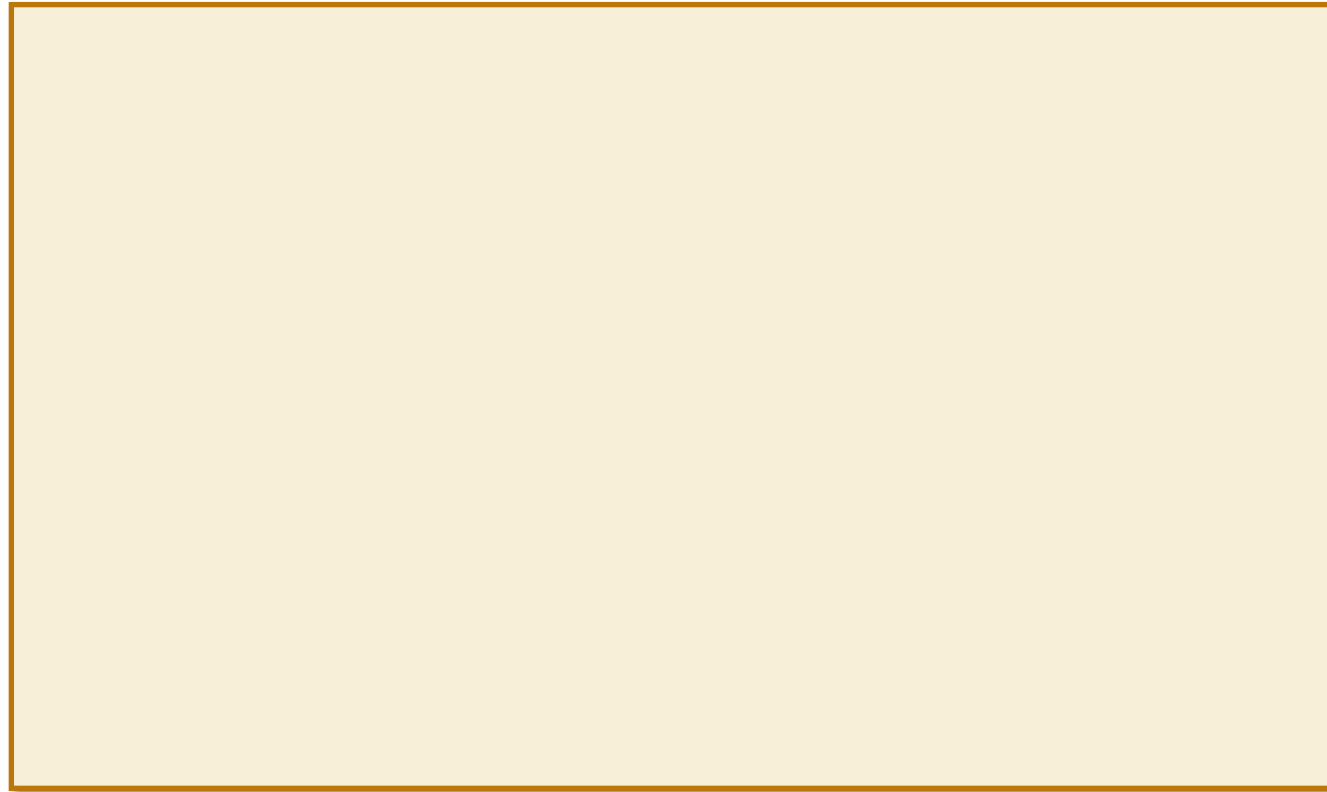
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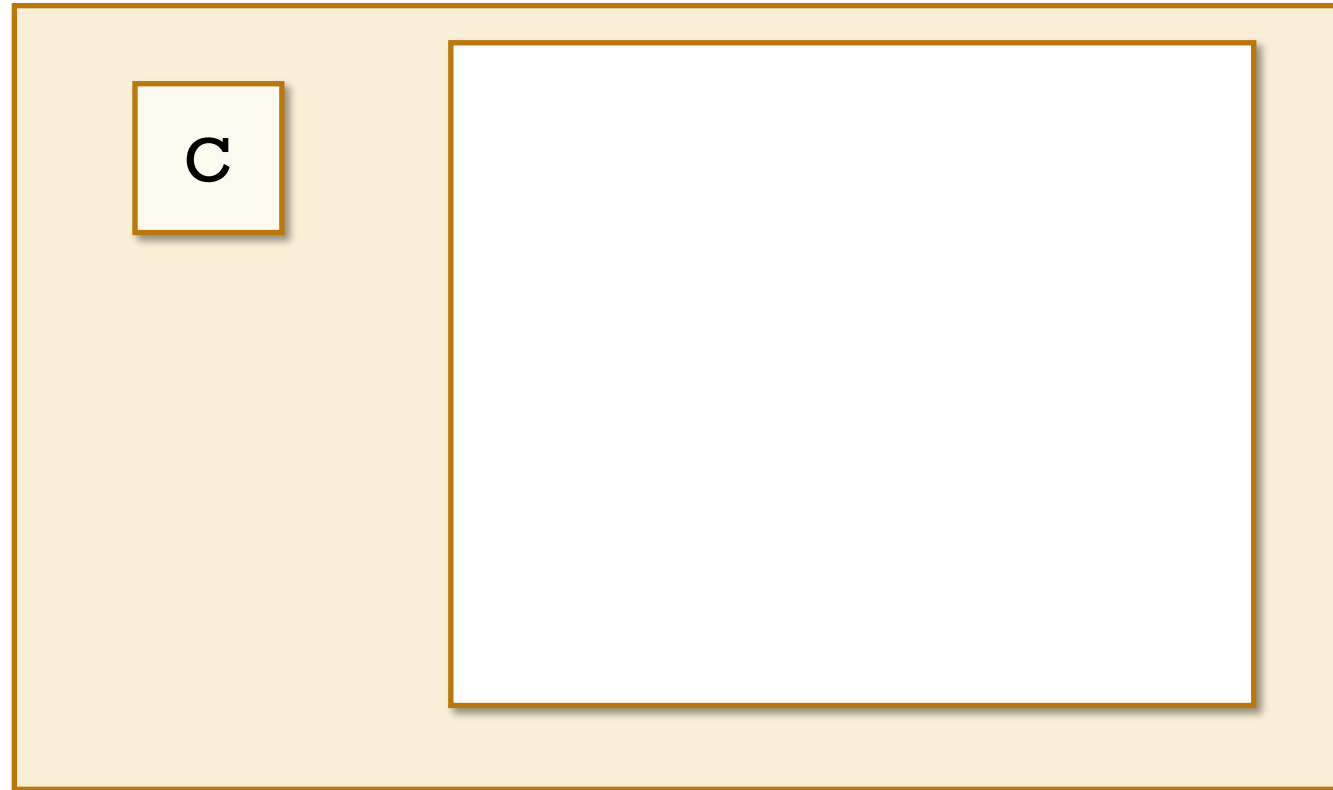
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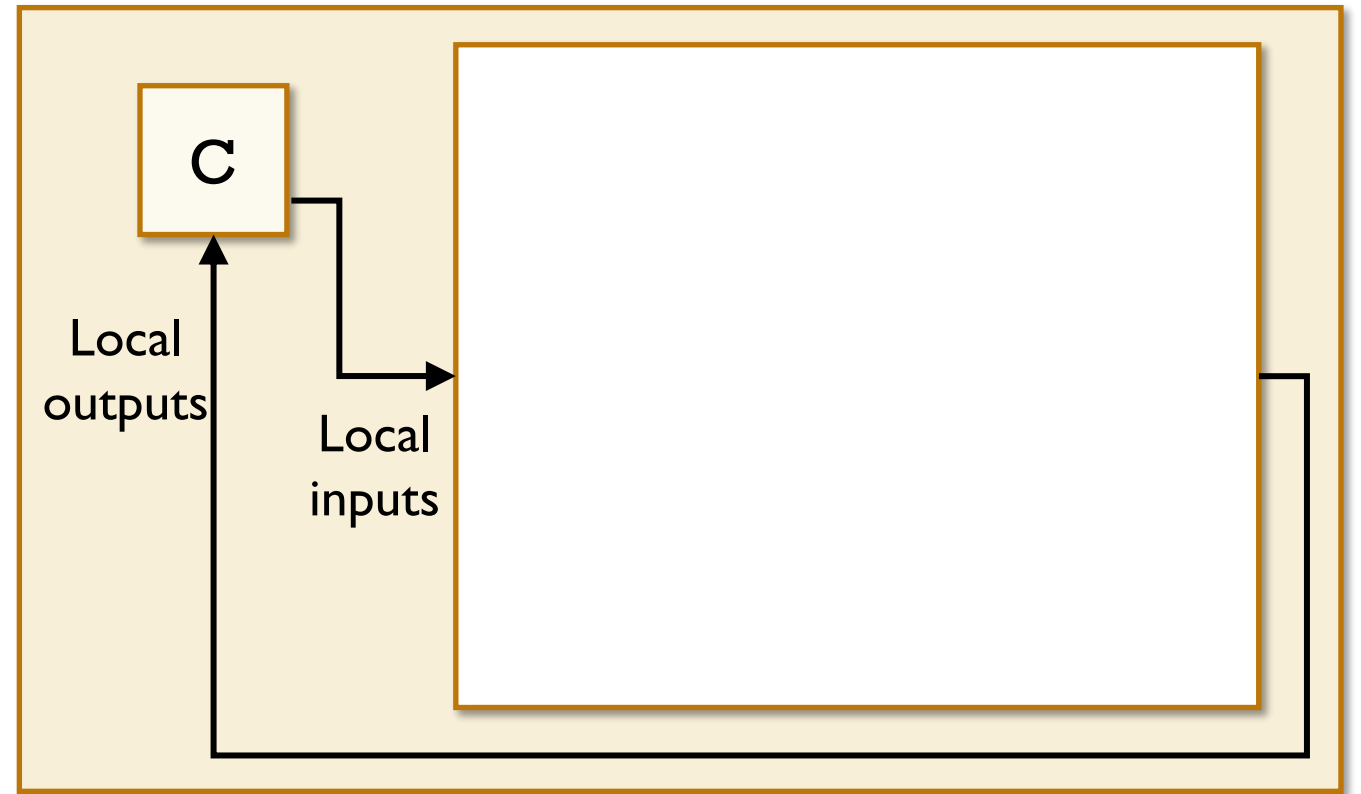
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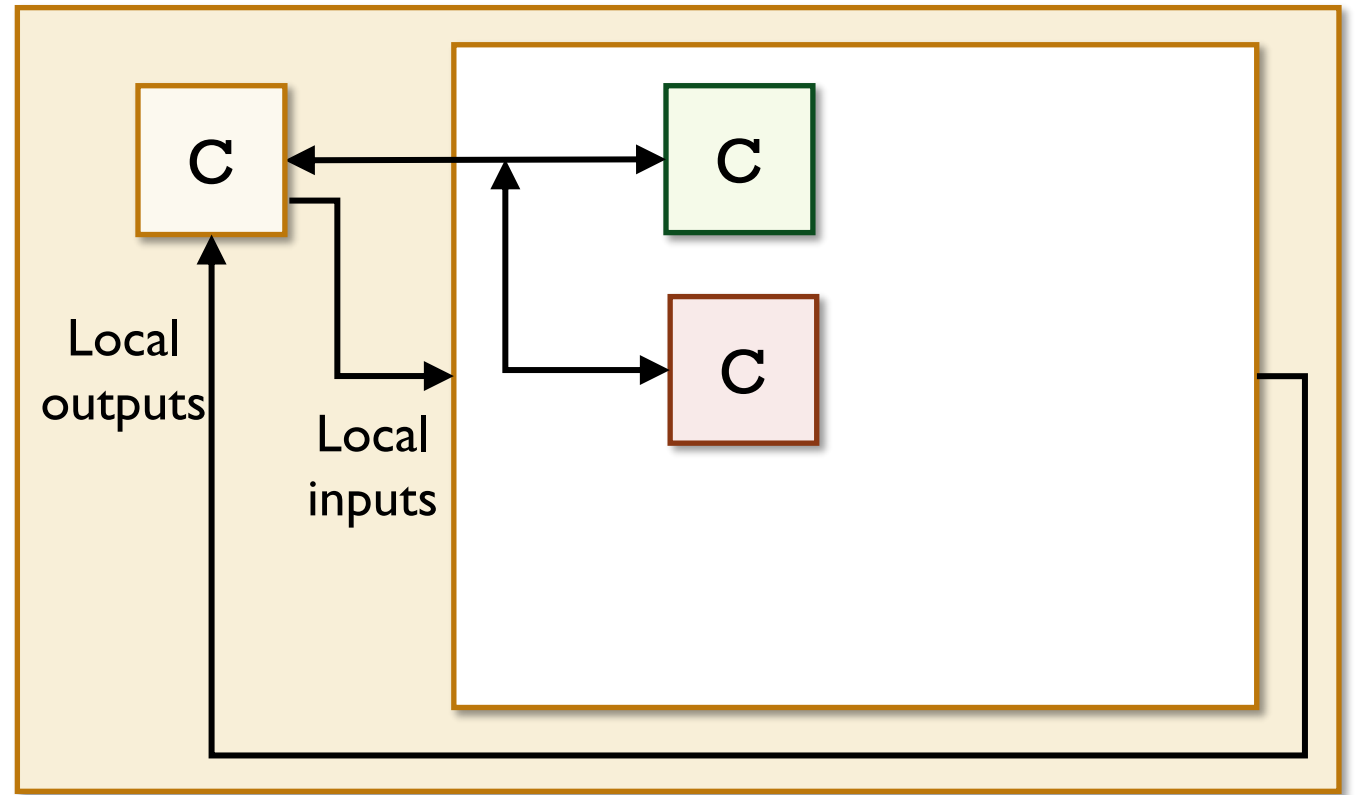
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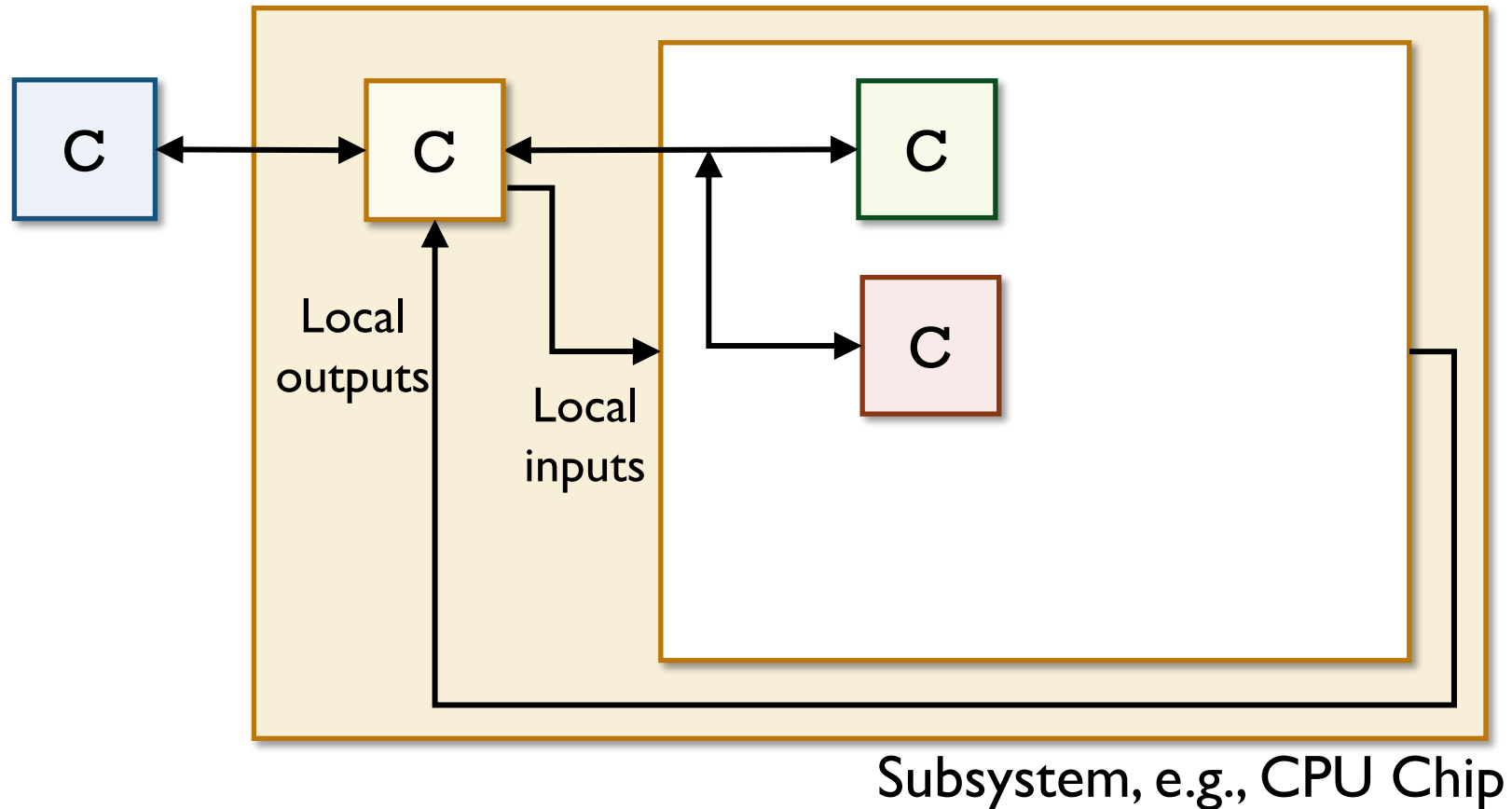
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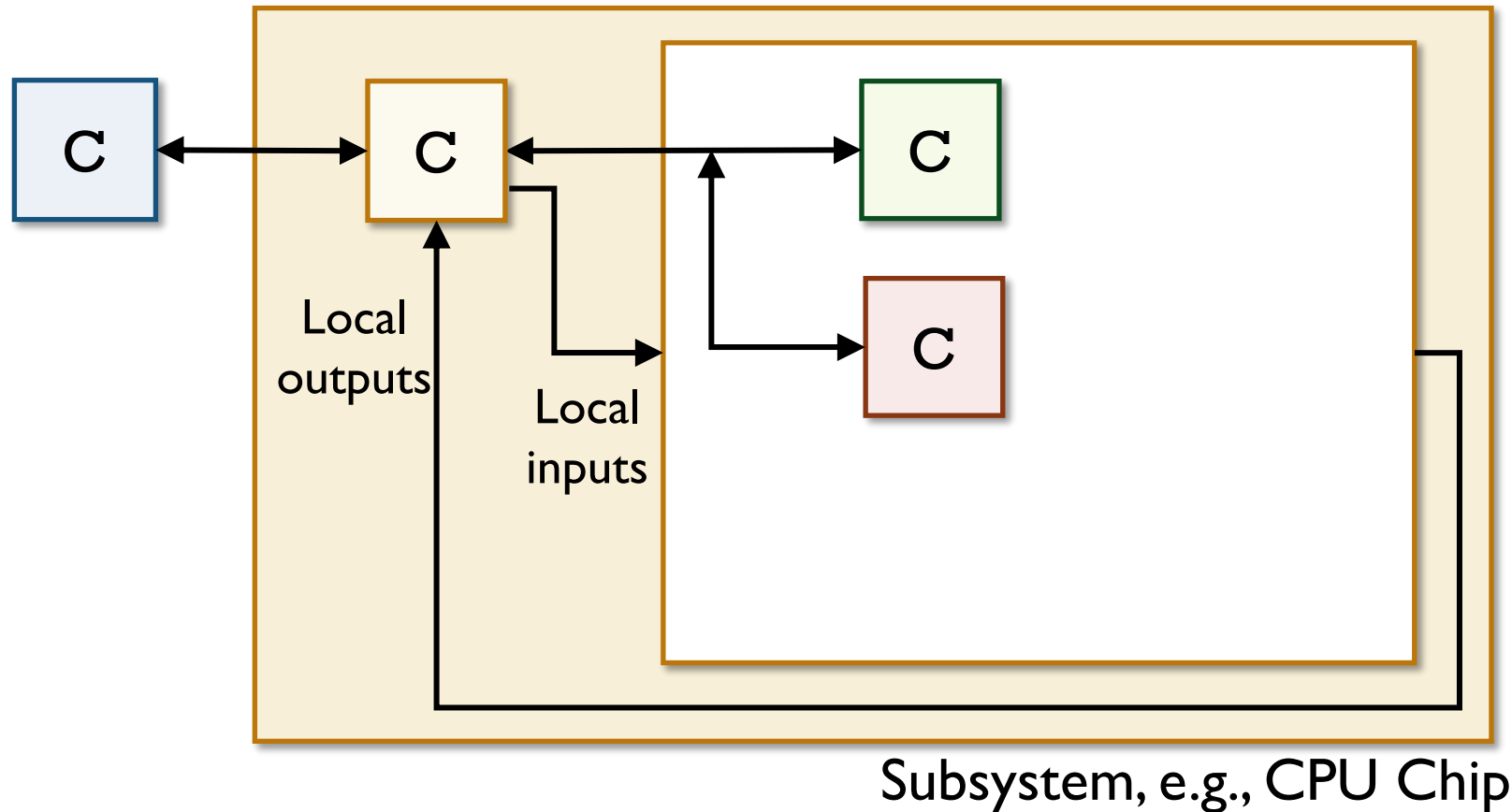
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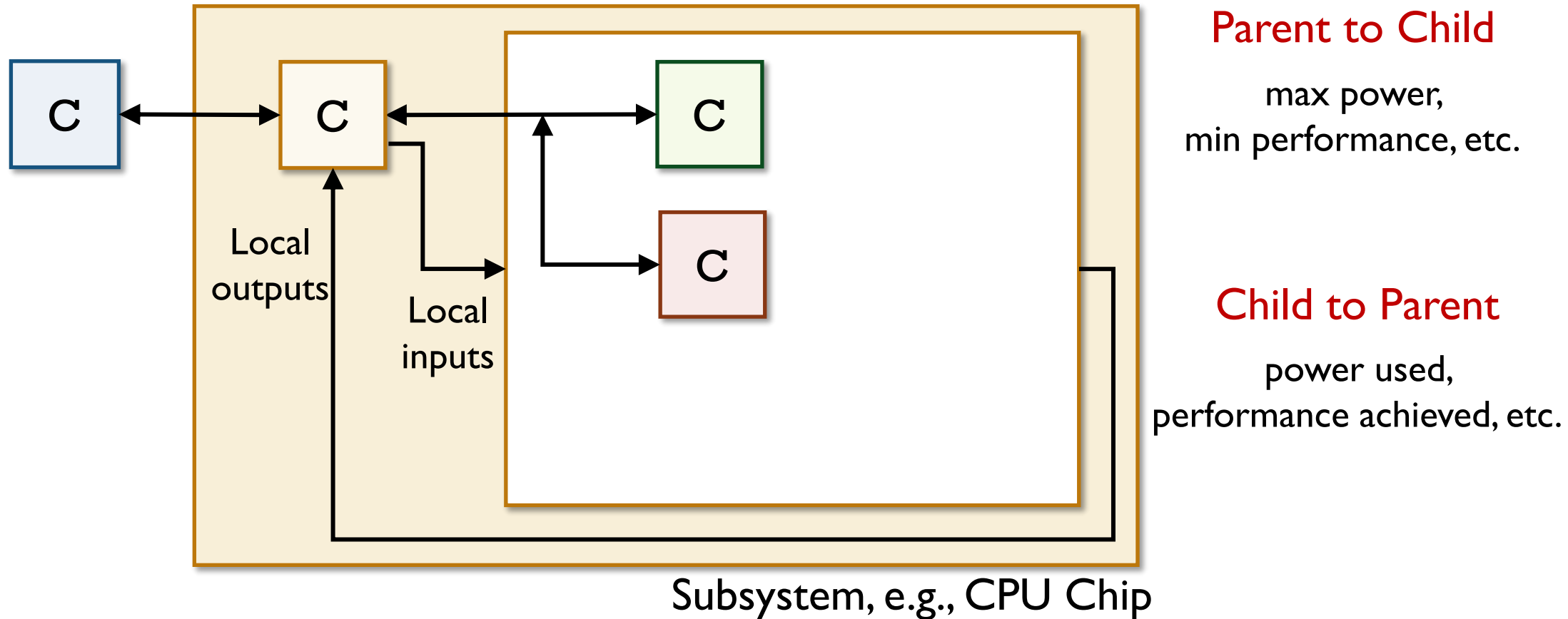


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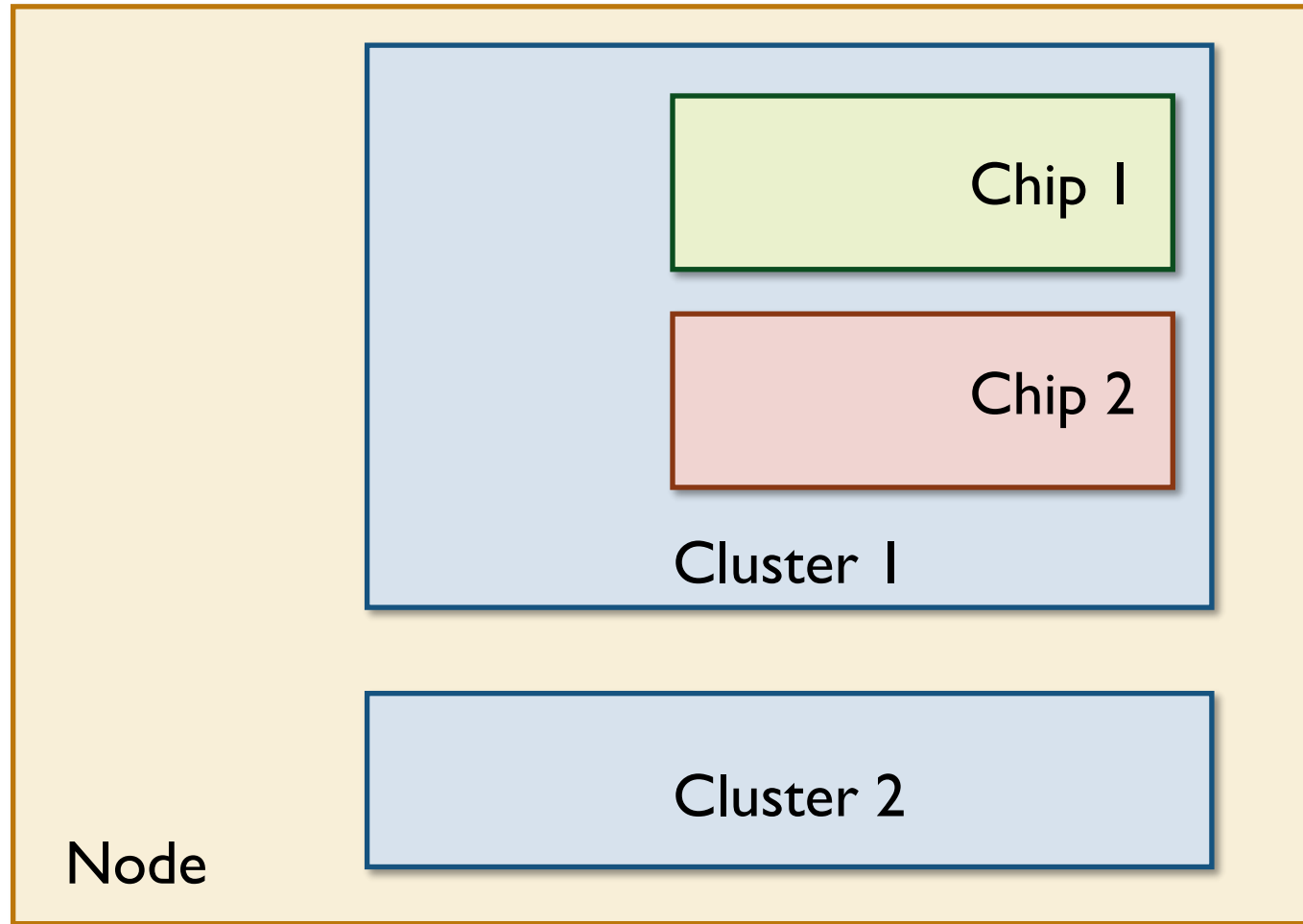
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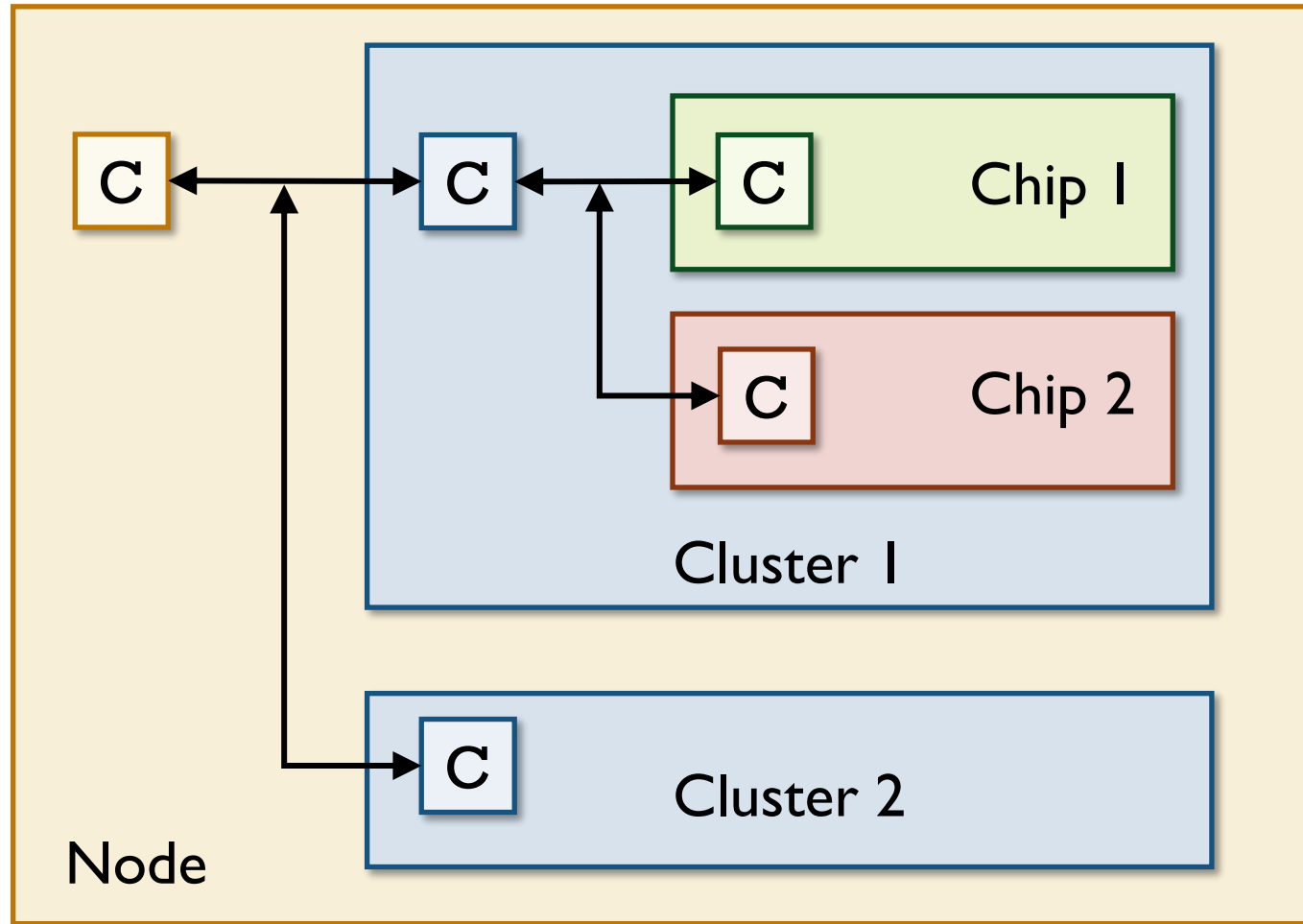
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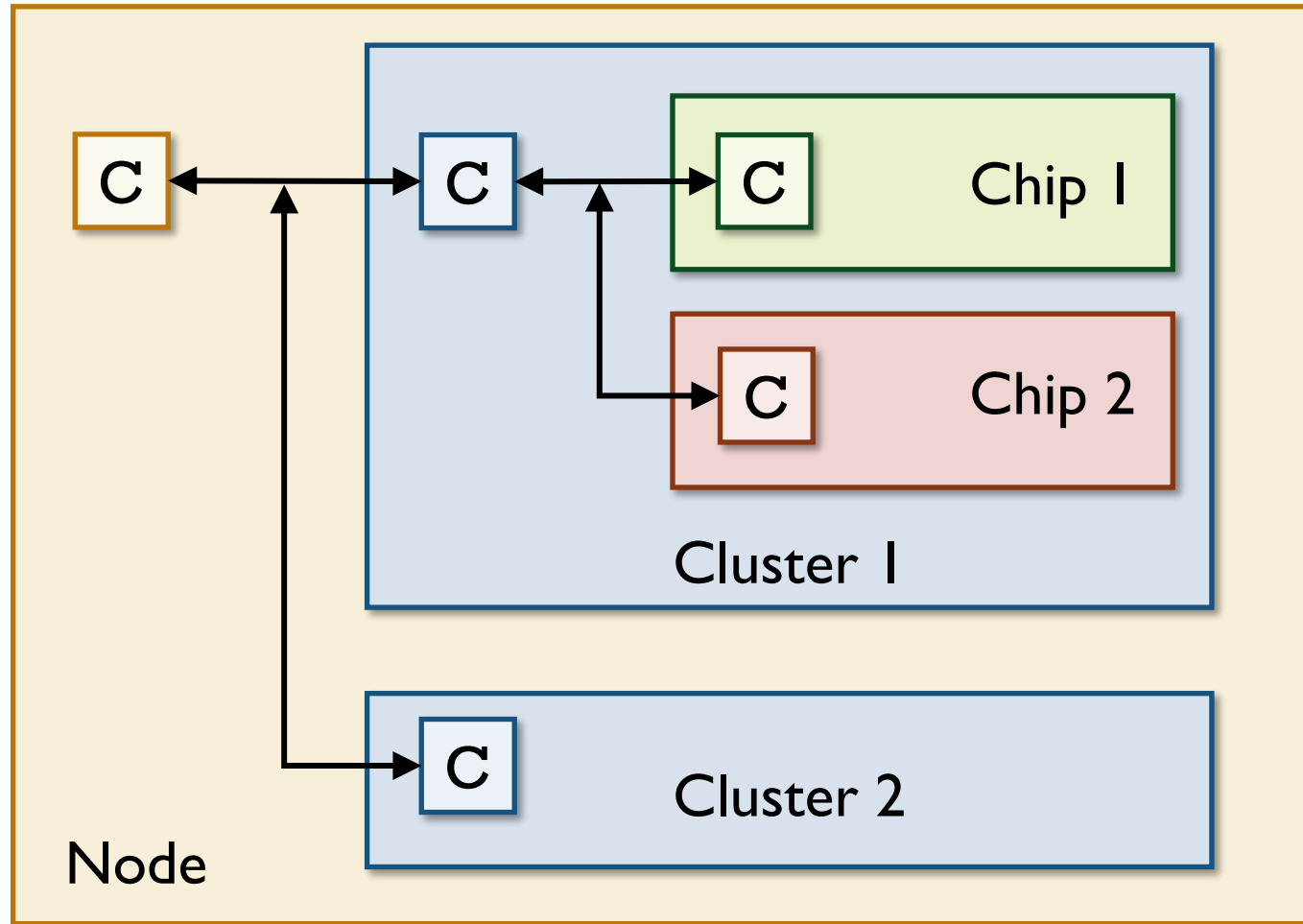


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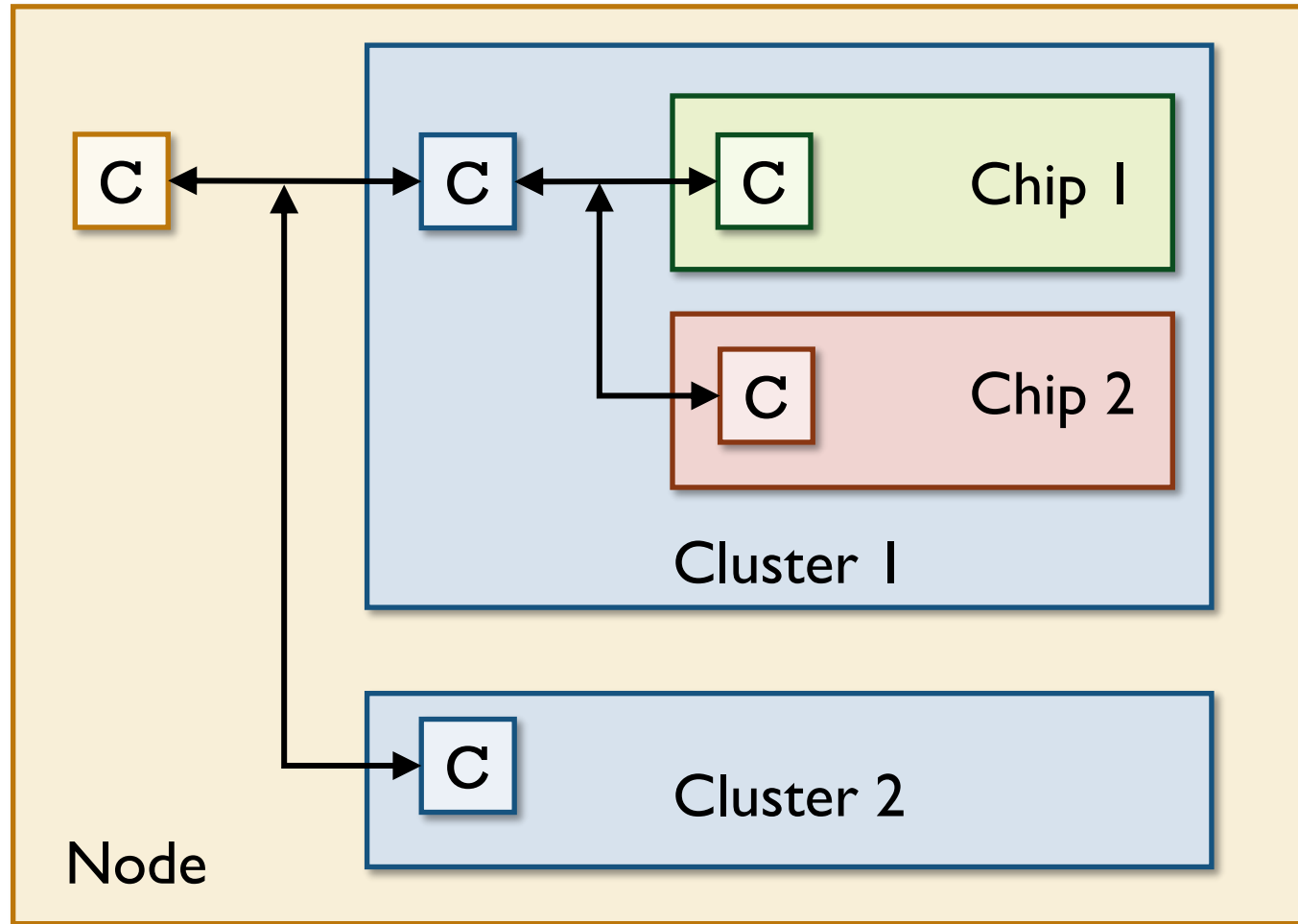
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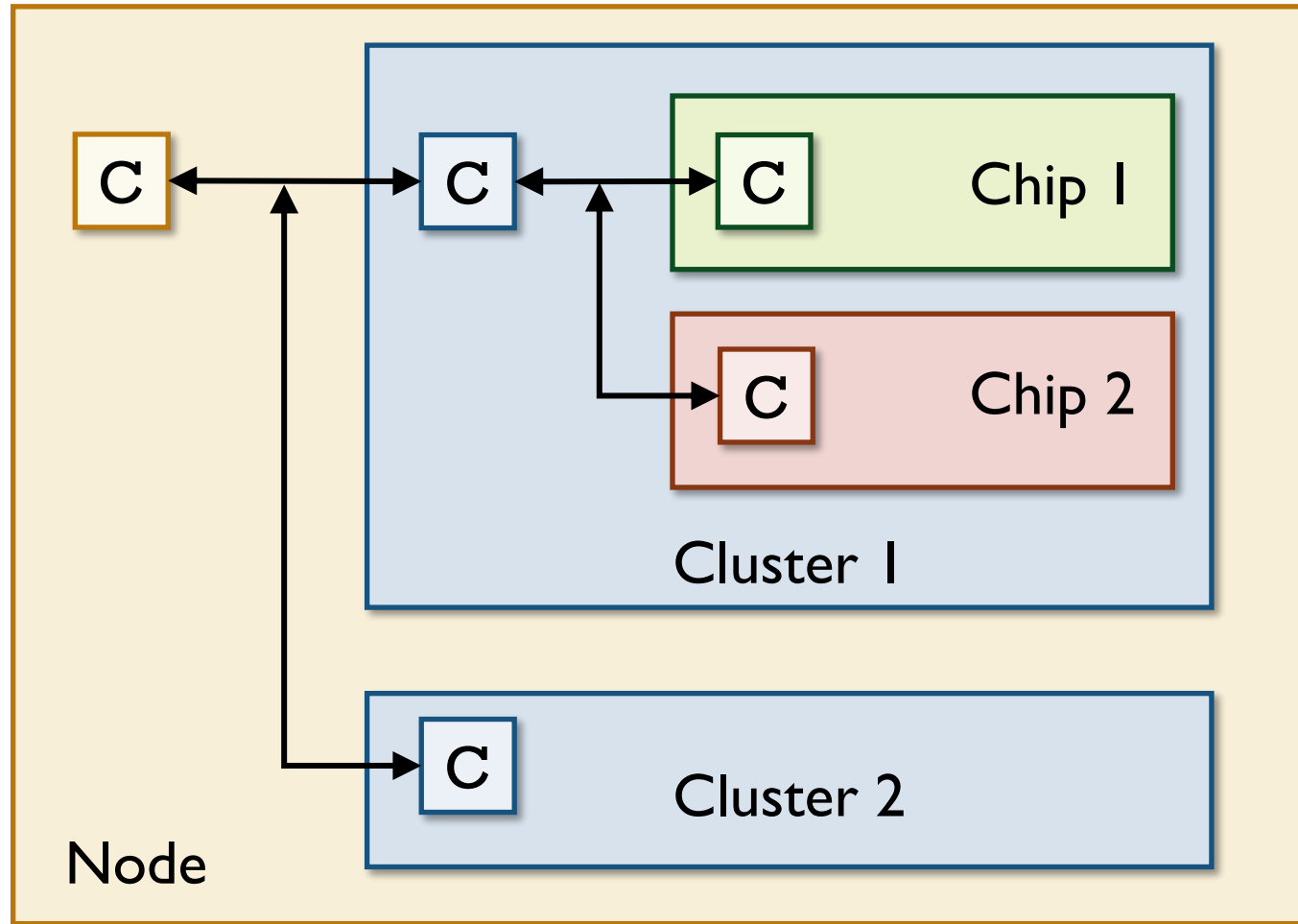
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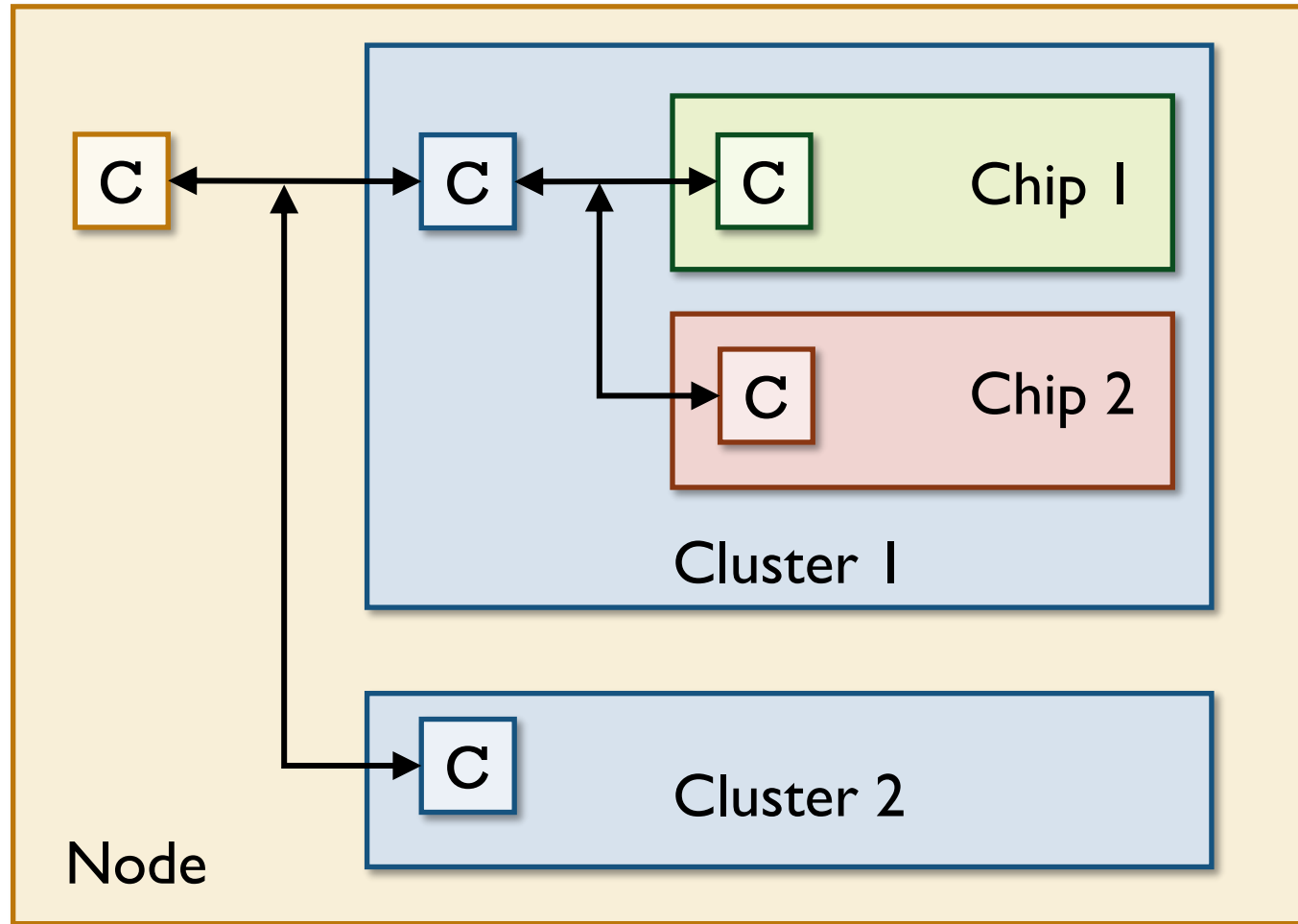
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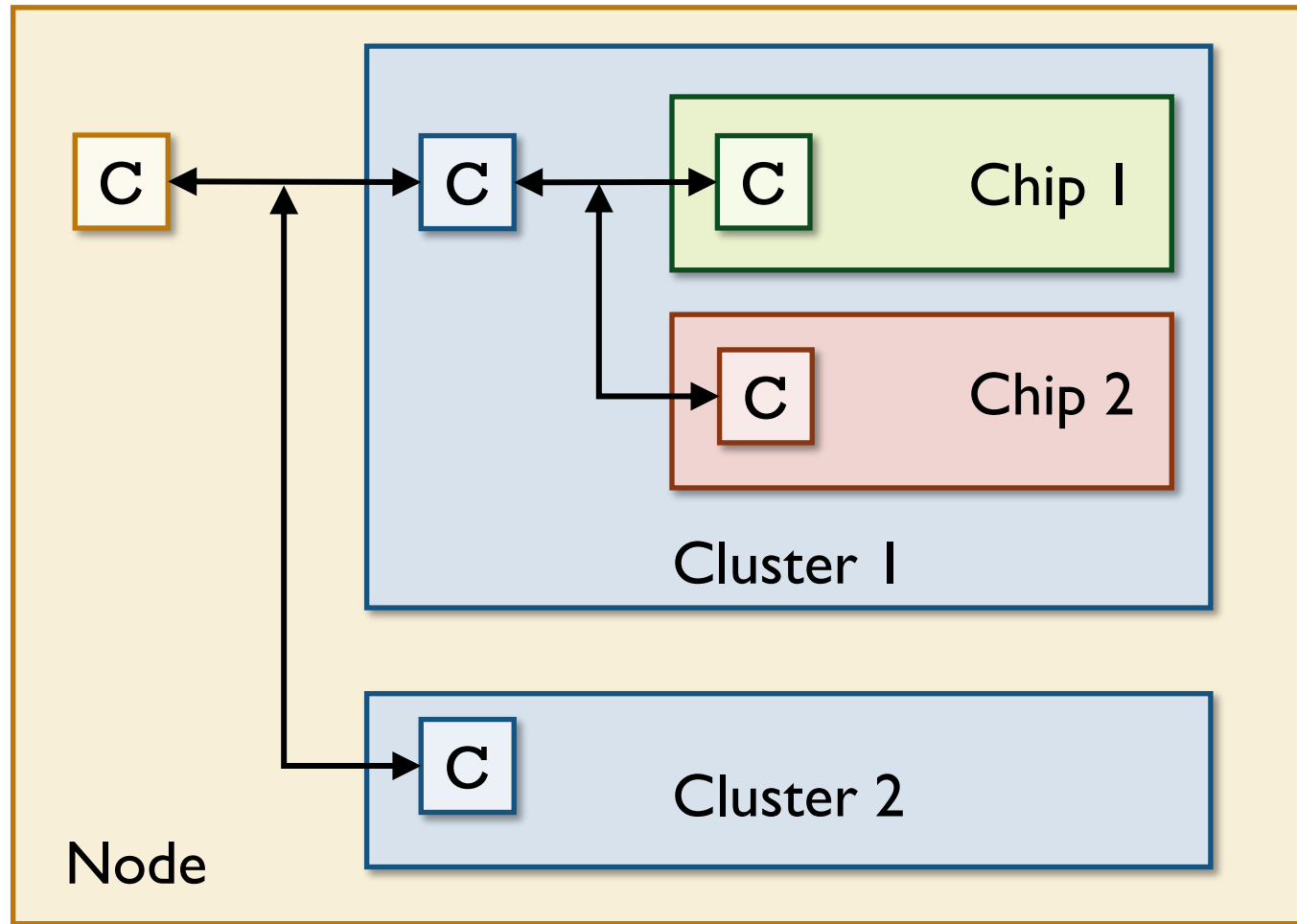
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Obvious and simple:
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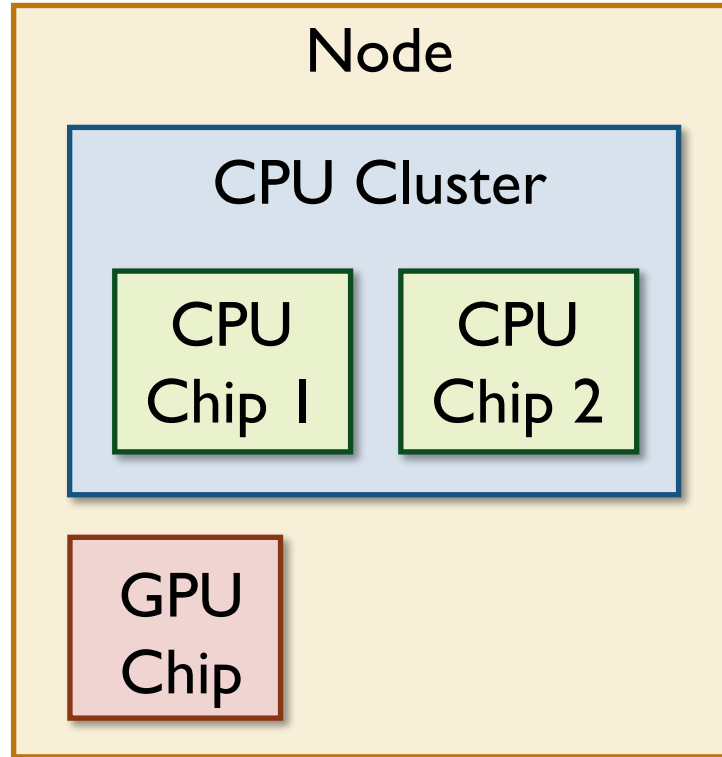


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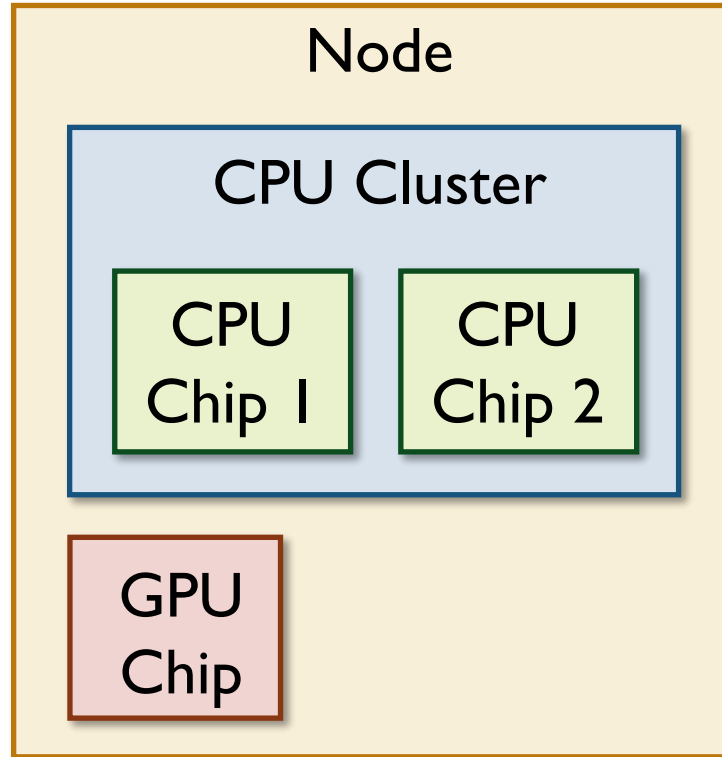


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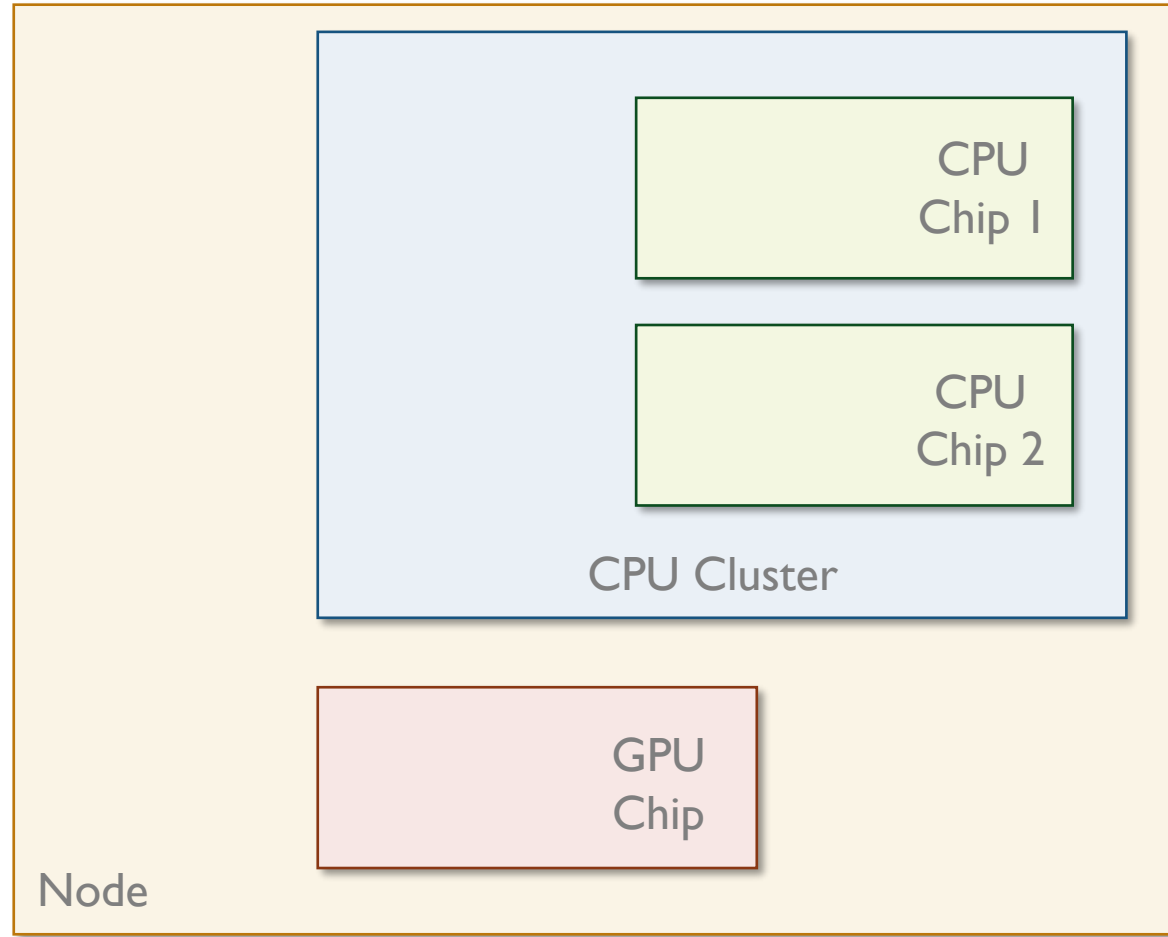
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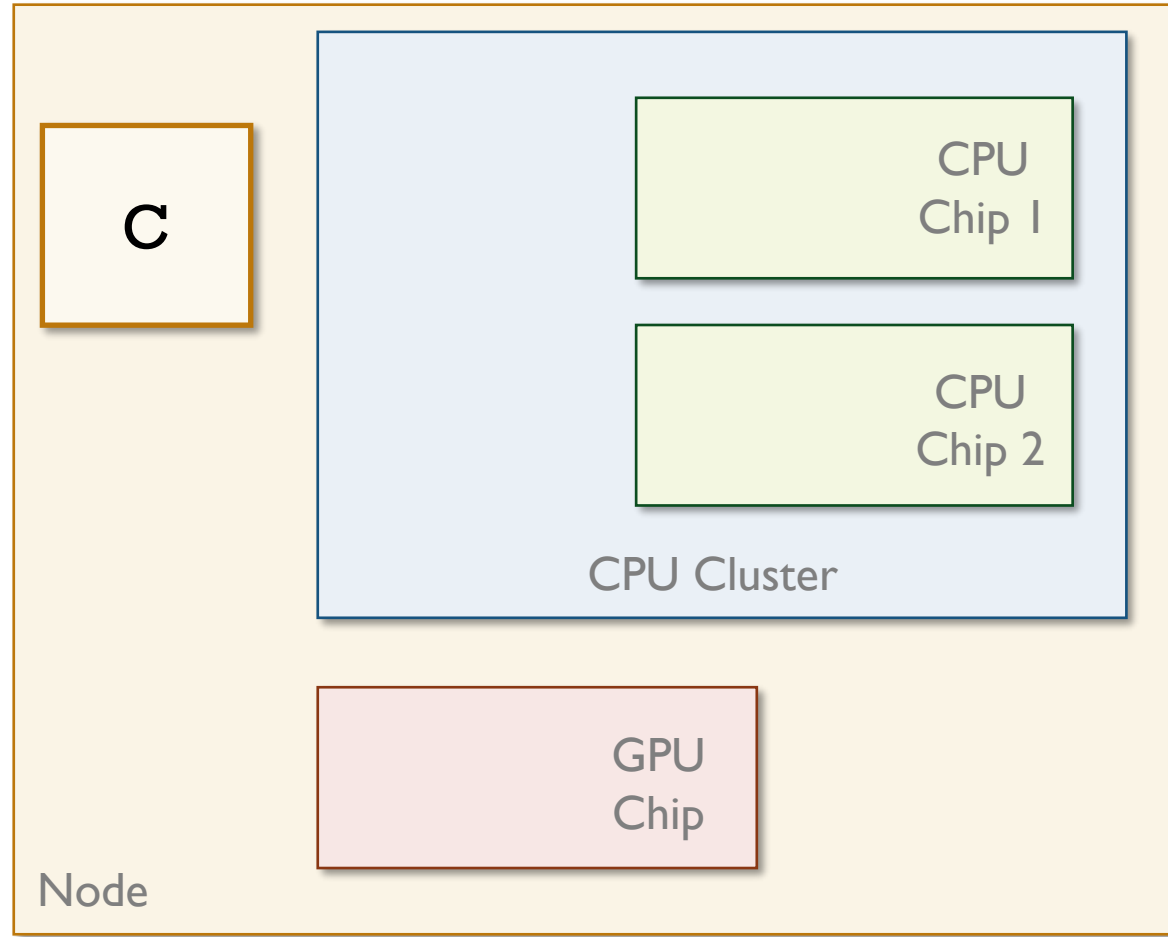
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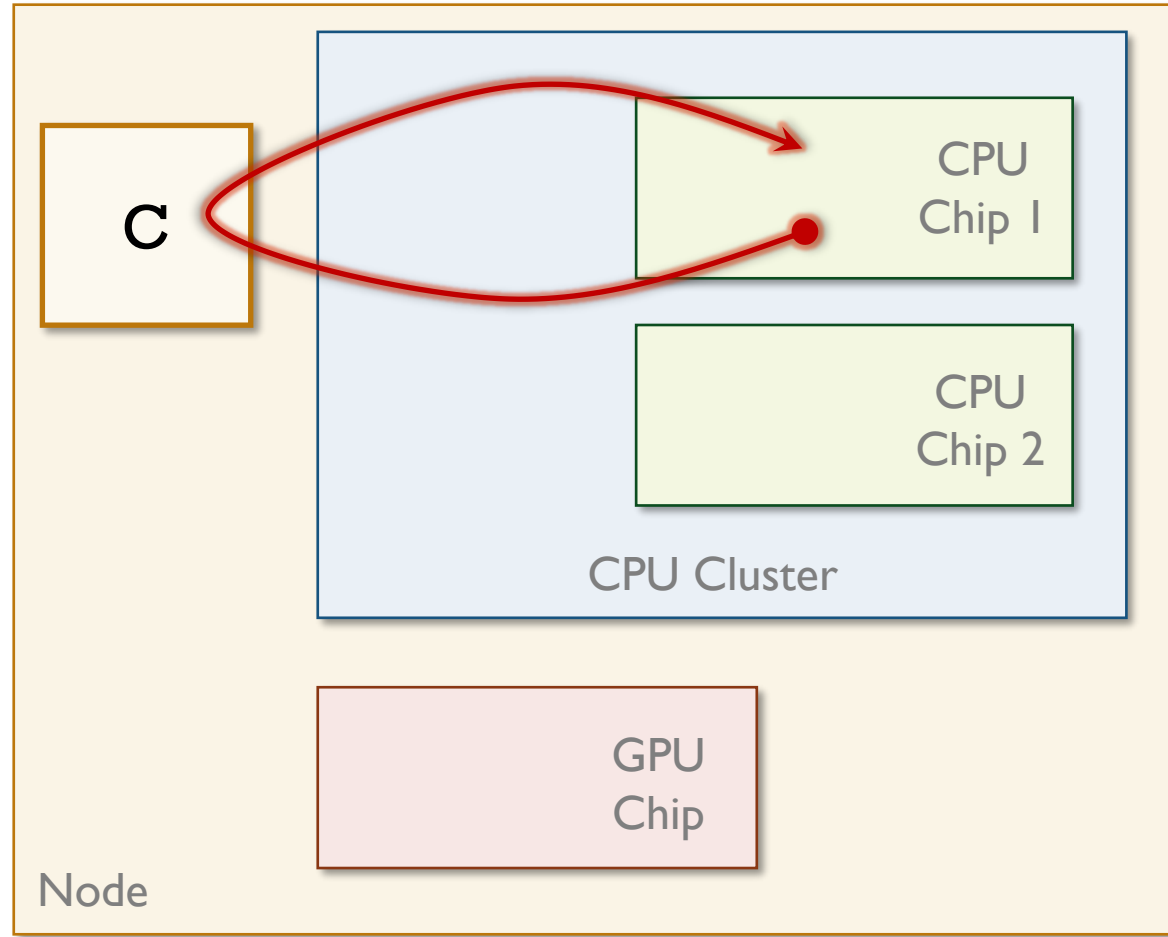
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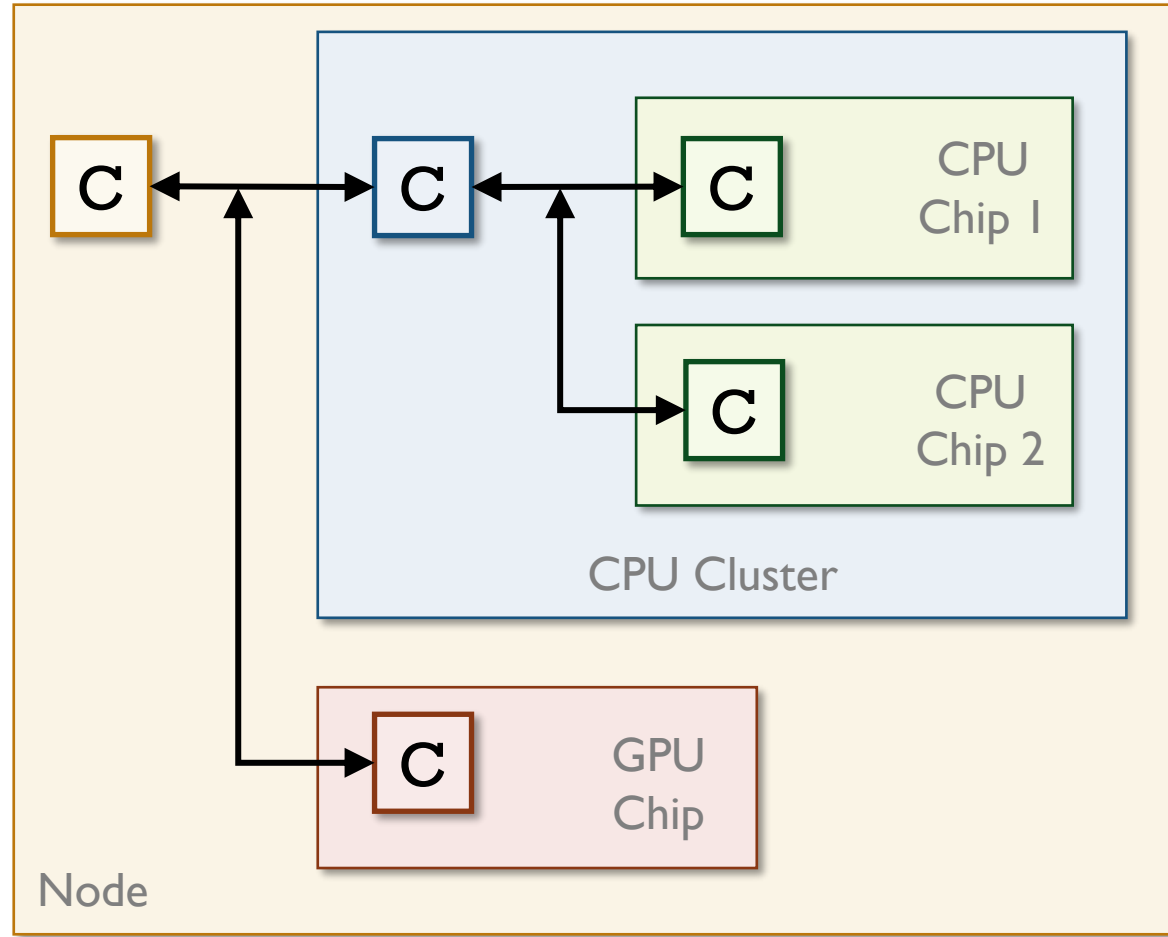
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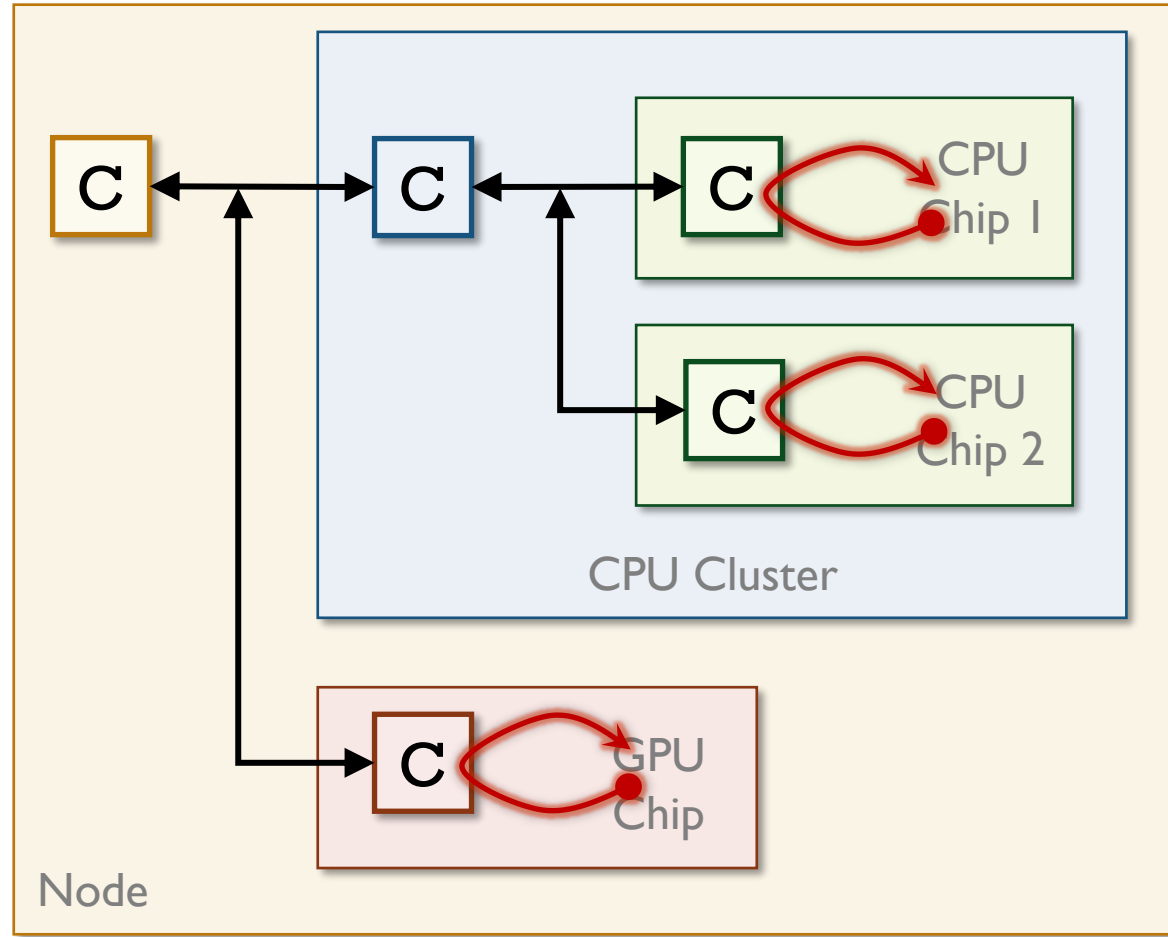


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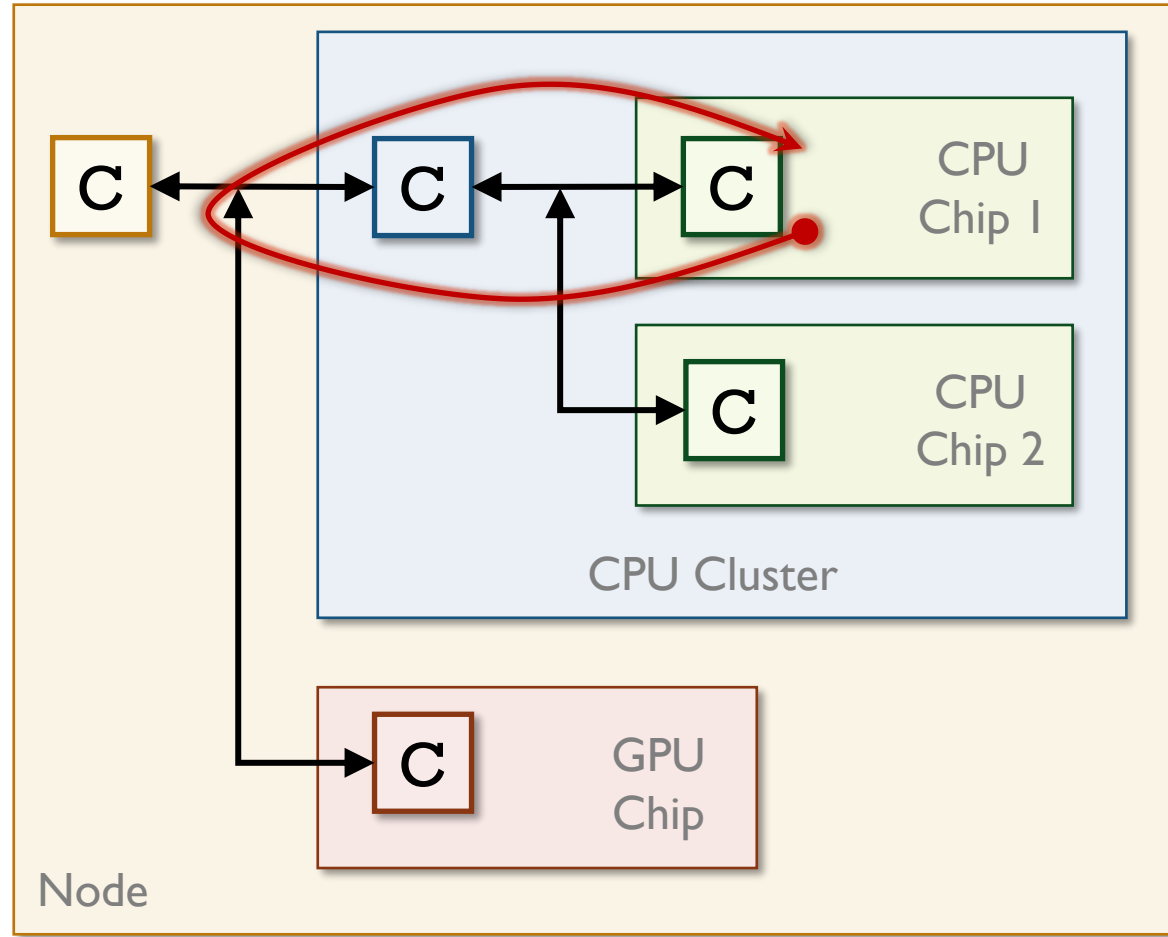
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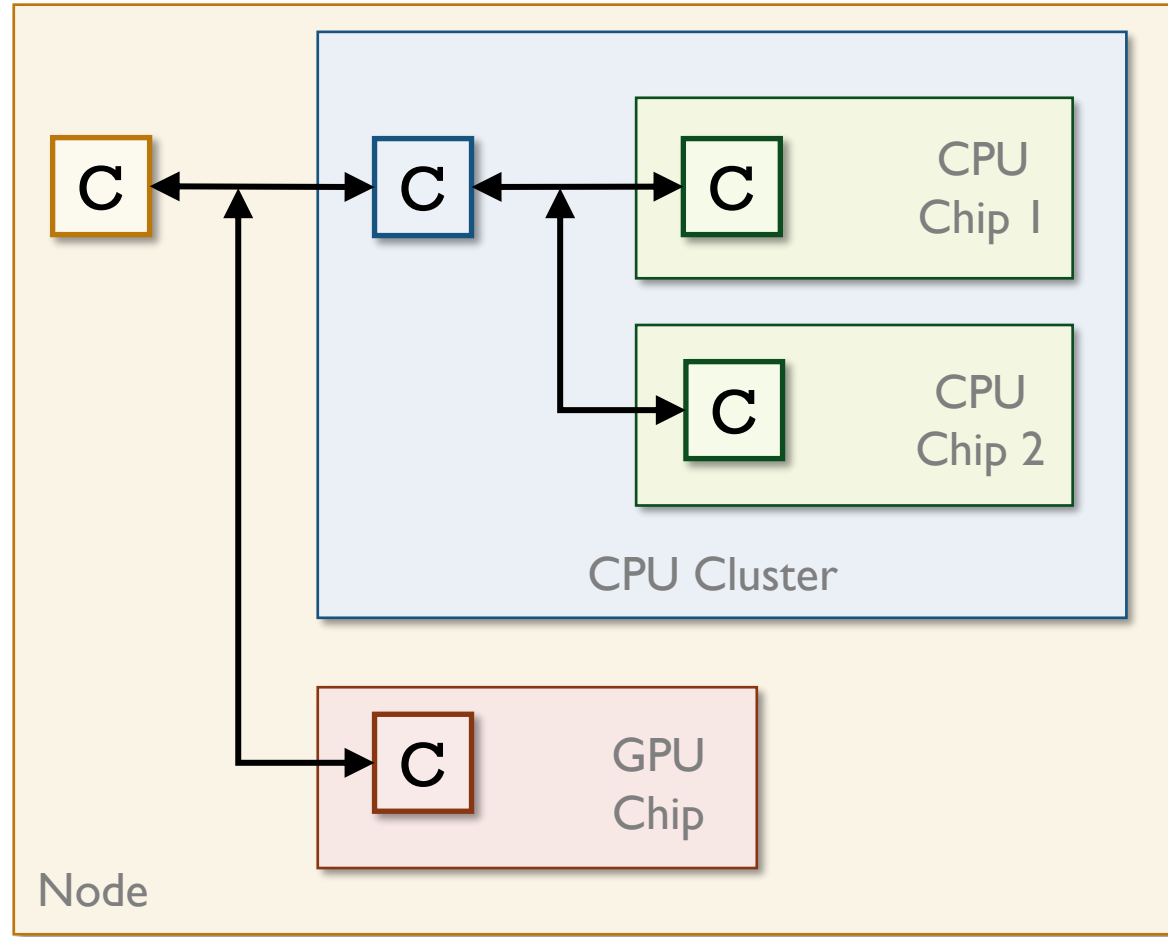
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Preconfigured and Safety
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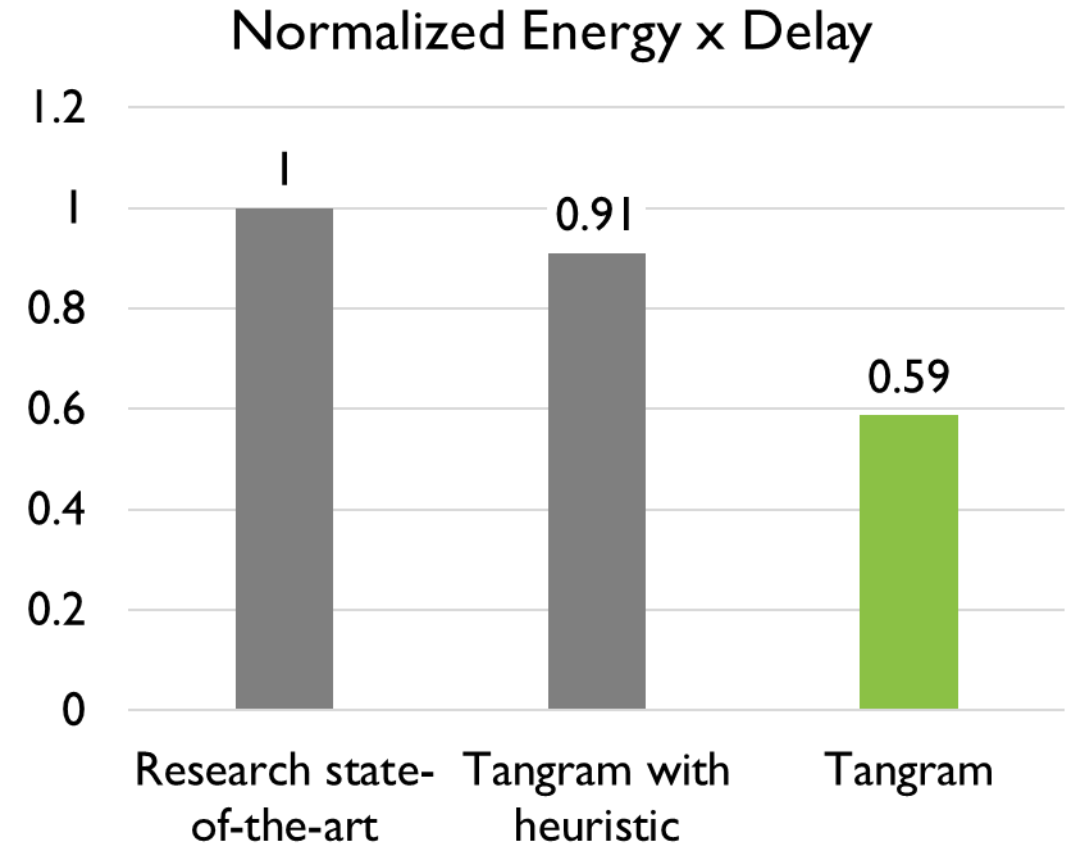
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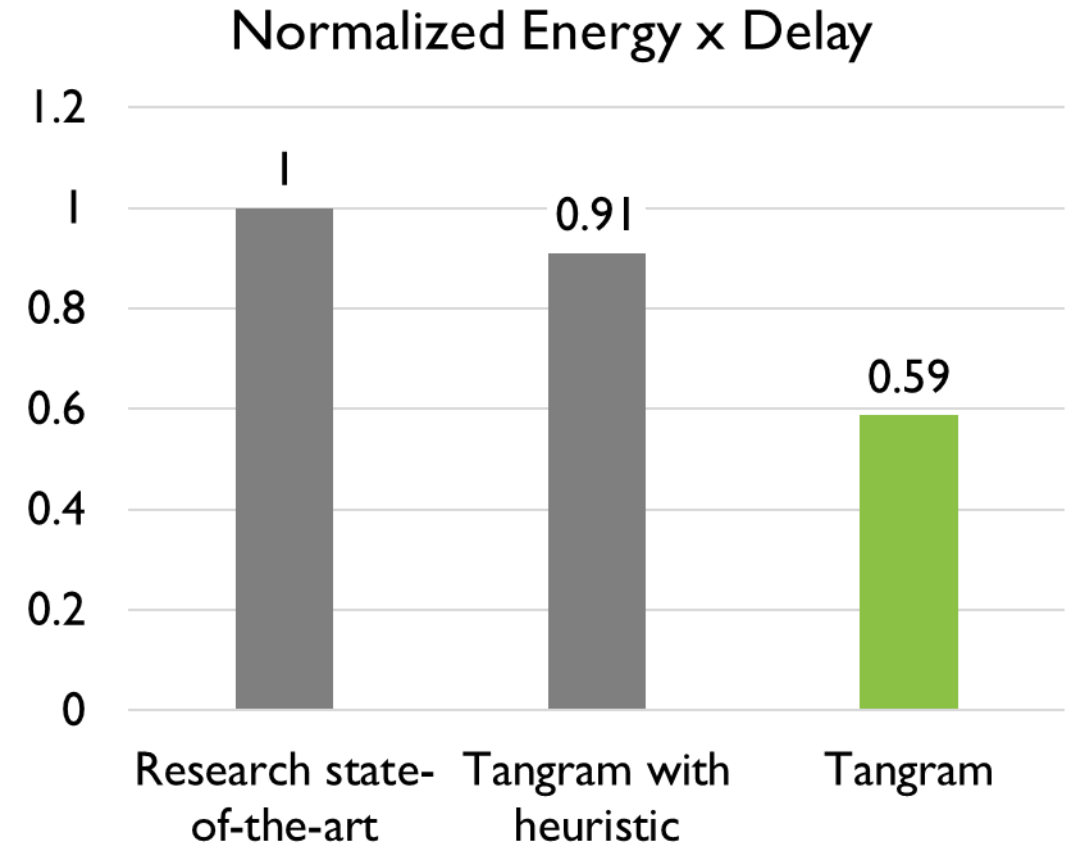
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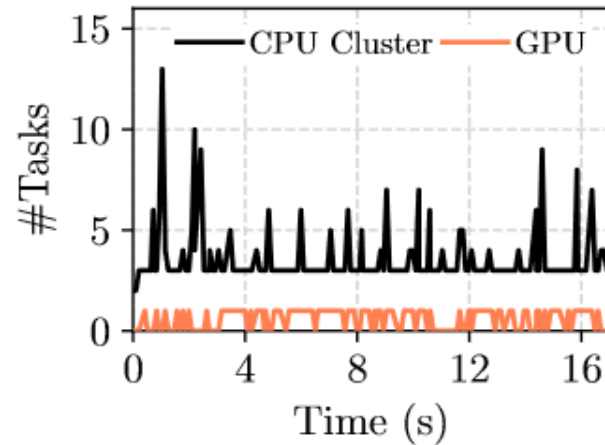
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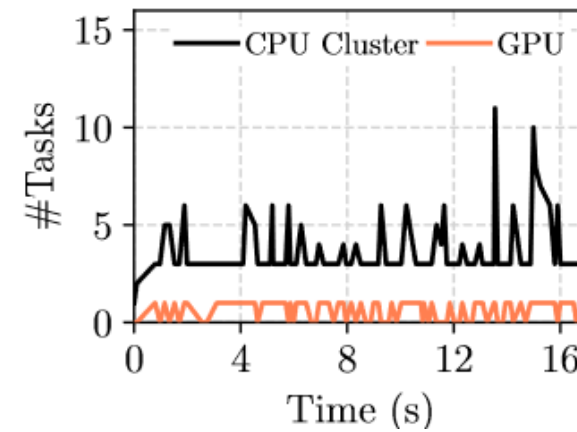
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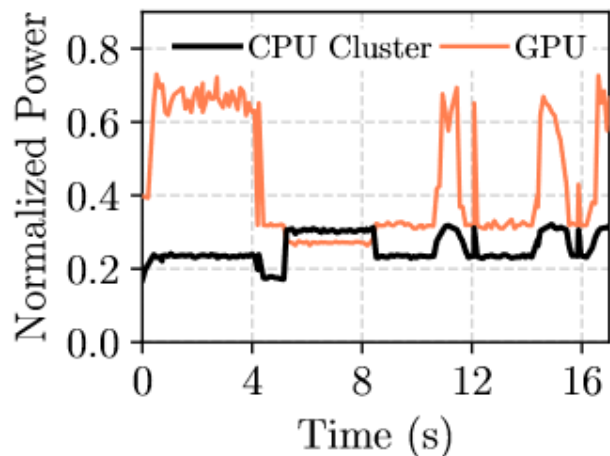
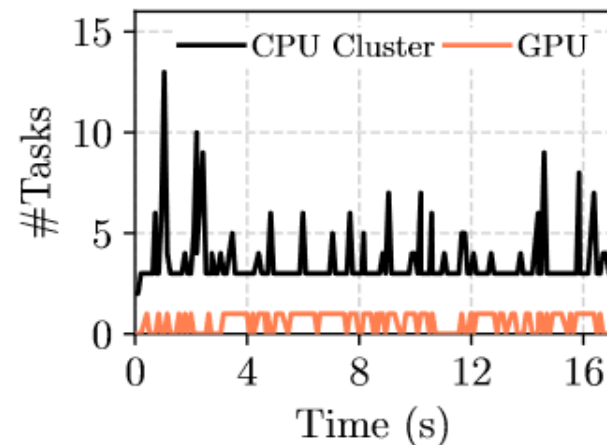


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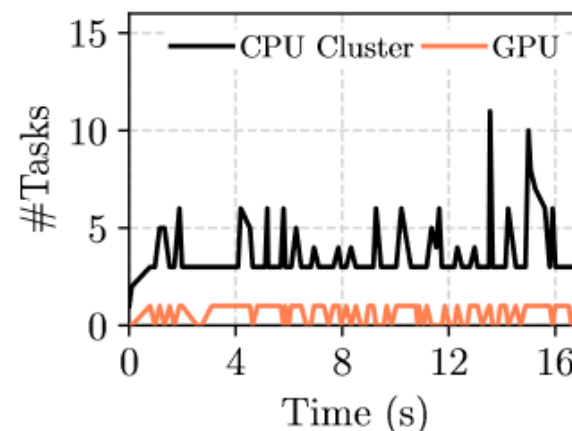


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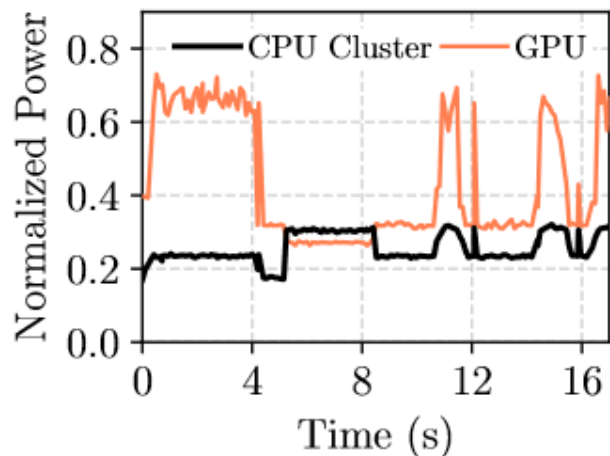
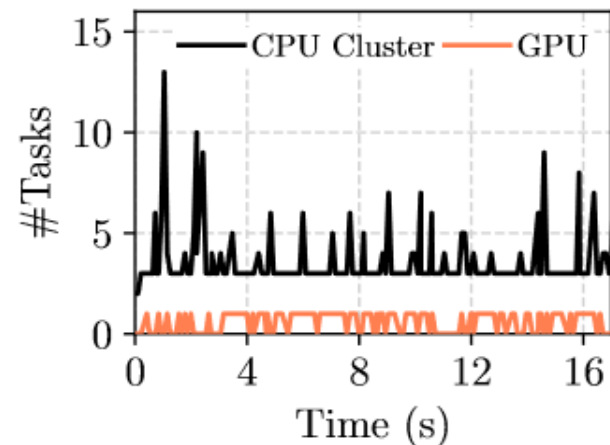


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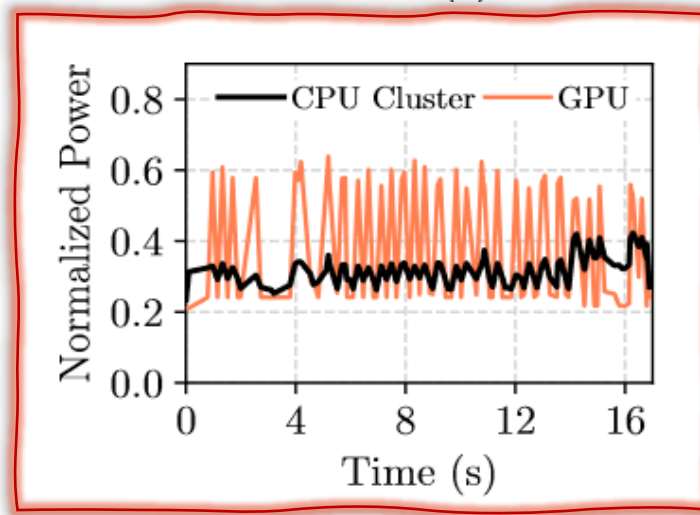
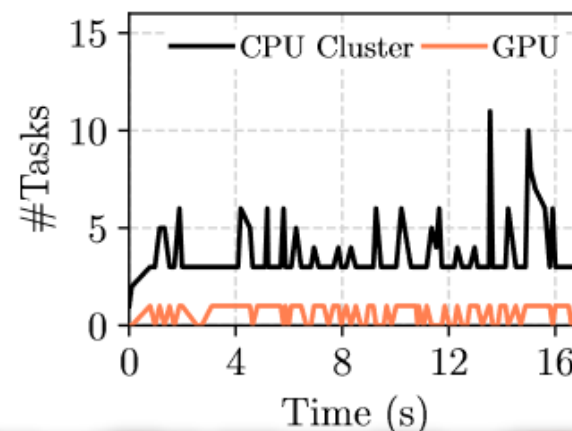


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