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Determining the requirement for berths on the Rhine

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This presentation

- Need to determine the requirement
- Formula
- How it works...
- Q&A



Need to determine the requirement

- Every country and every river sector is different
- But the need for berths for the navigation industry is uniform
- Plenty of discussion... “not enough berths between A and B”
- No objective criteria... yet → first step by German & Dutch delegations
- BUT:
 - not an exact science
 - local conditions play an important role
 - (spatial) planning permits, Natura 2000 & WFD



Formula

- Formula $N = I_d \times A_r \times A_c$

N = number of berths required

I_d = daily intensity of traffic → how many ships pass through in a day
→ ignore ships with 24/7 operation

A_r = retention factor:

$$A_r = \frac{\text{Time required to pass through sector}}{\text{Daily navigation time}}$$

Passthrough Time = $\frac{\text{sector length}}{\text{average speed}}$

Annotations: *Time* (in the fraction above) points to *Passthrough Time*; *Daily navigation time* points to 16 or 18 h/day; *average speed* points to 10 km/h.

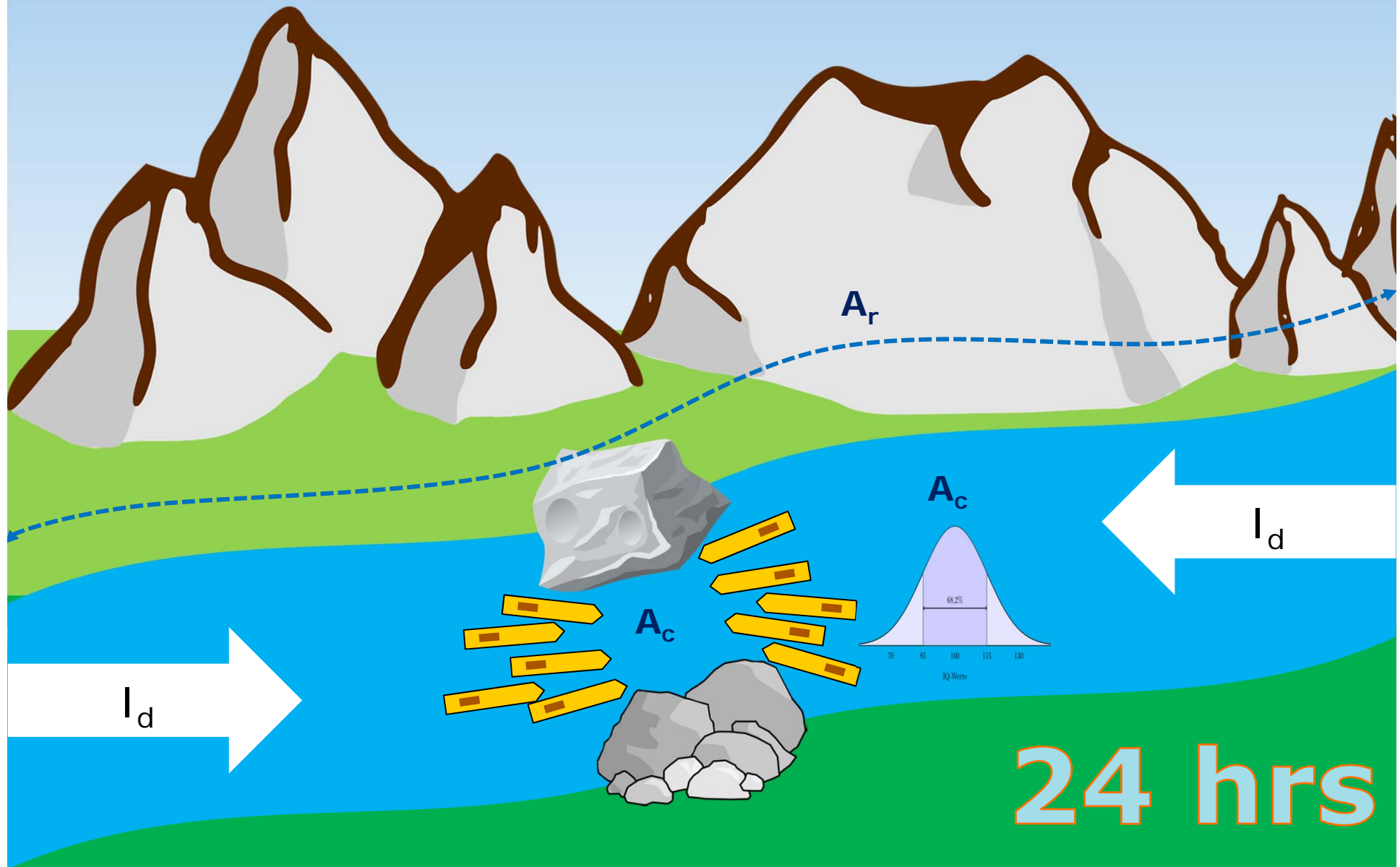
A_c = correction factor for congestion & peak loads
more congestion = more berths, so $A_c > 1,0$
but also: plan for 100% coverage? Or 95%? → $A_c < 1,0$



How it works

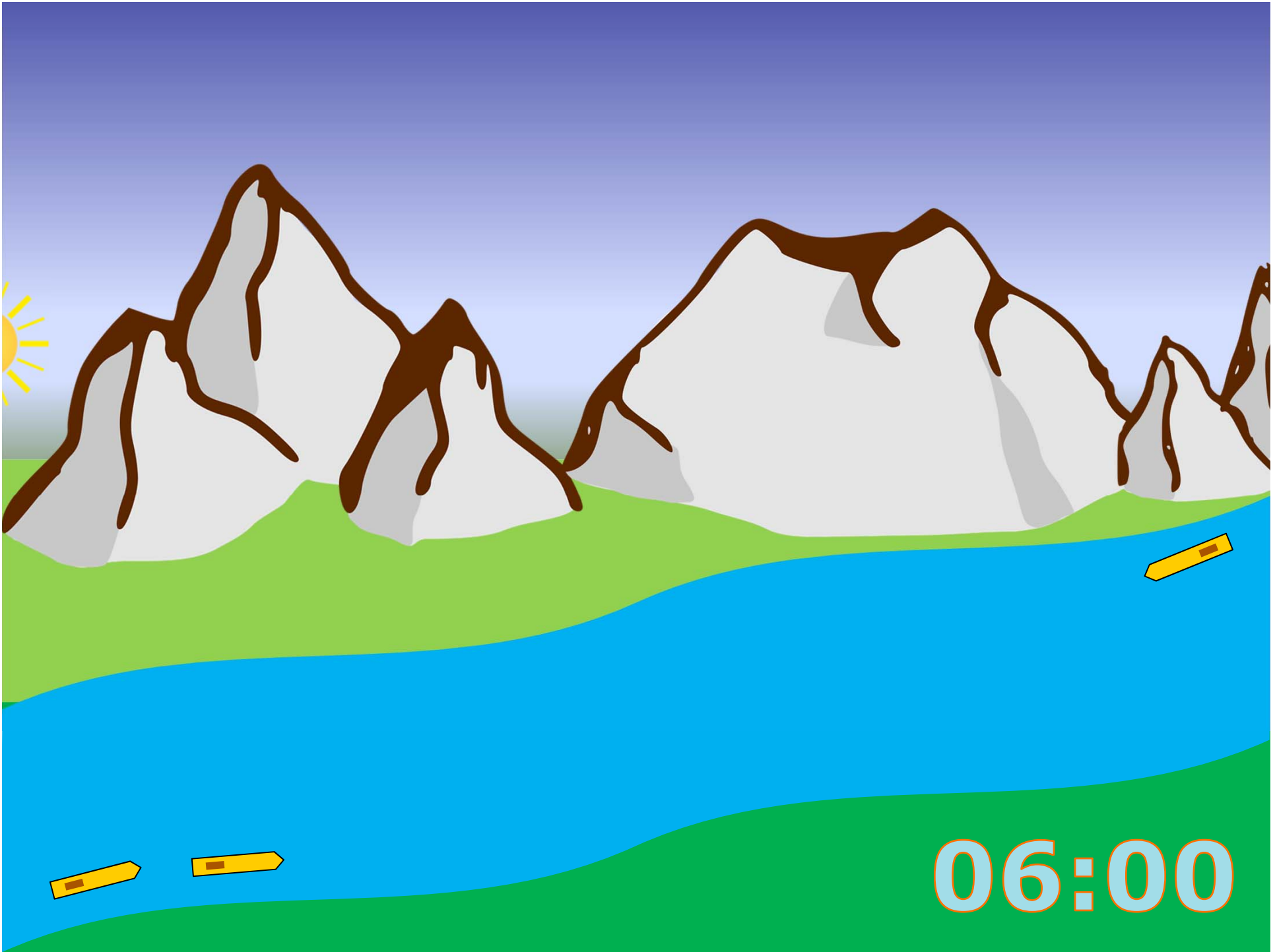
- Count the number of ships per day at a fixed point
- Ask shipping industry about average navigation hours (16/18/24 hrs)
- Calculate pass-through time & retention factor
- Estimate congestion factor

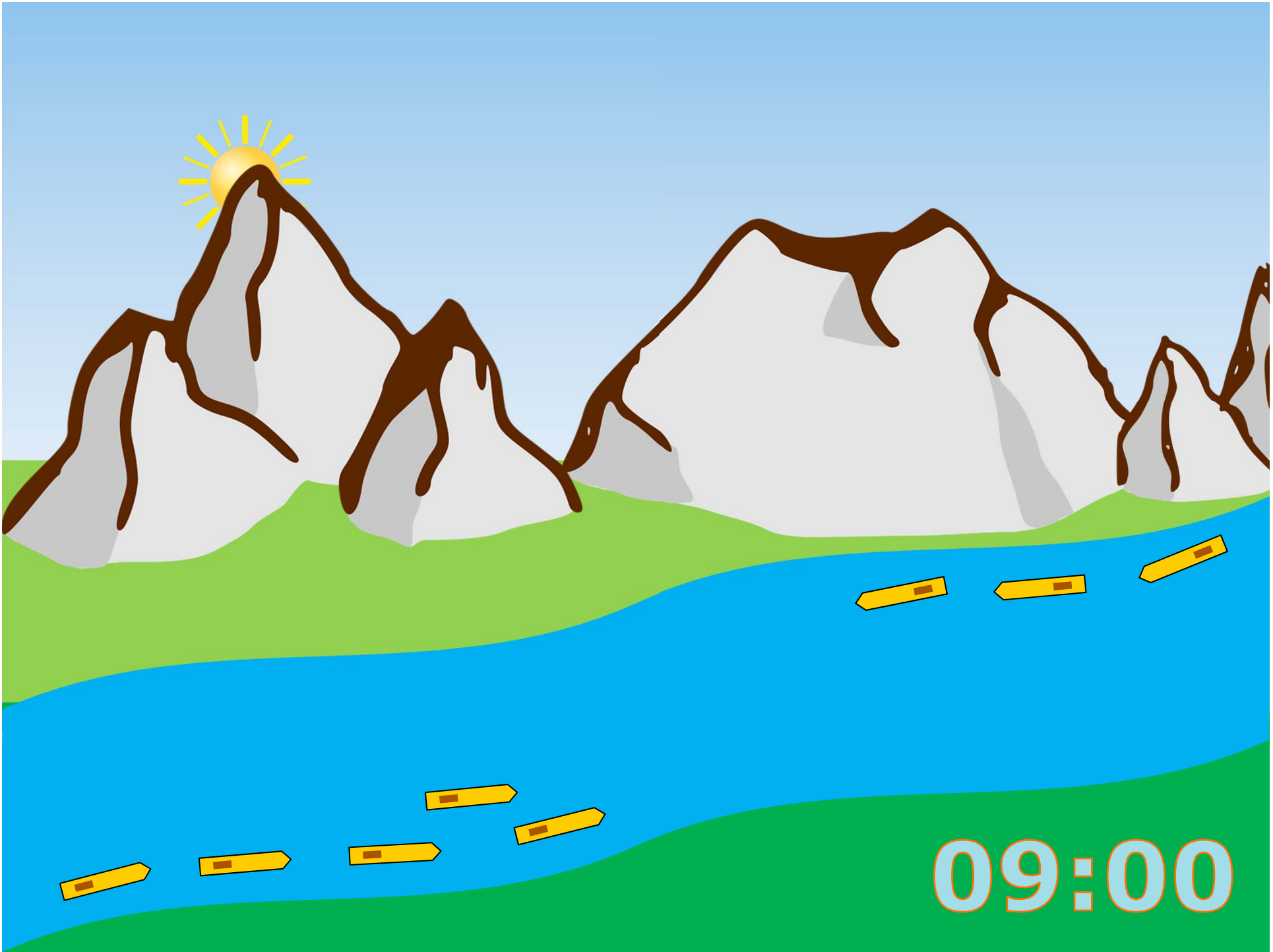
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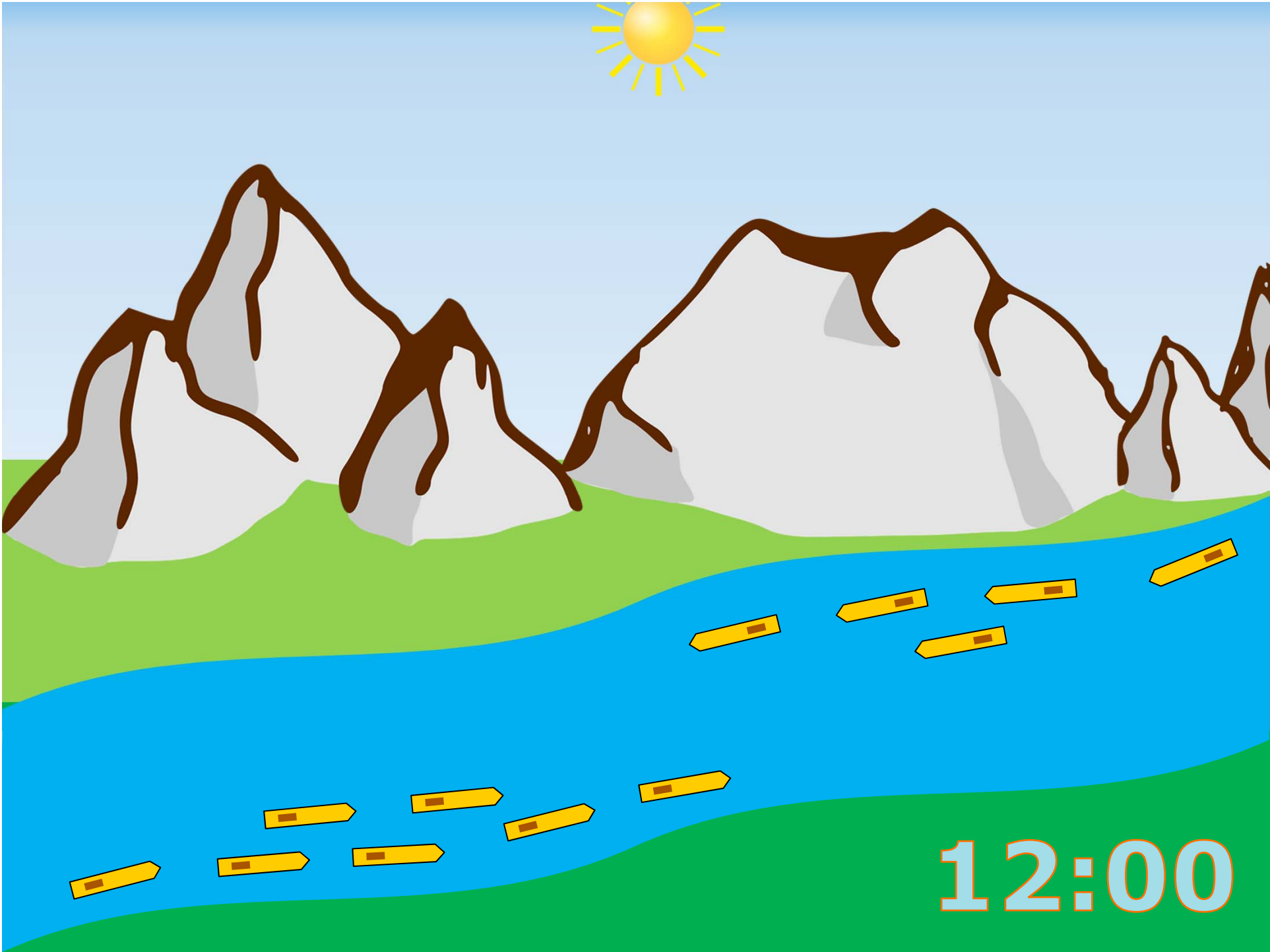




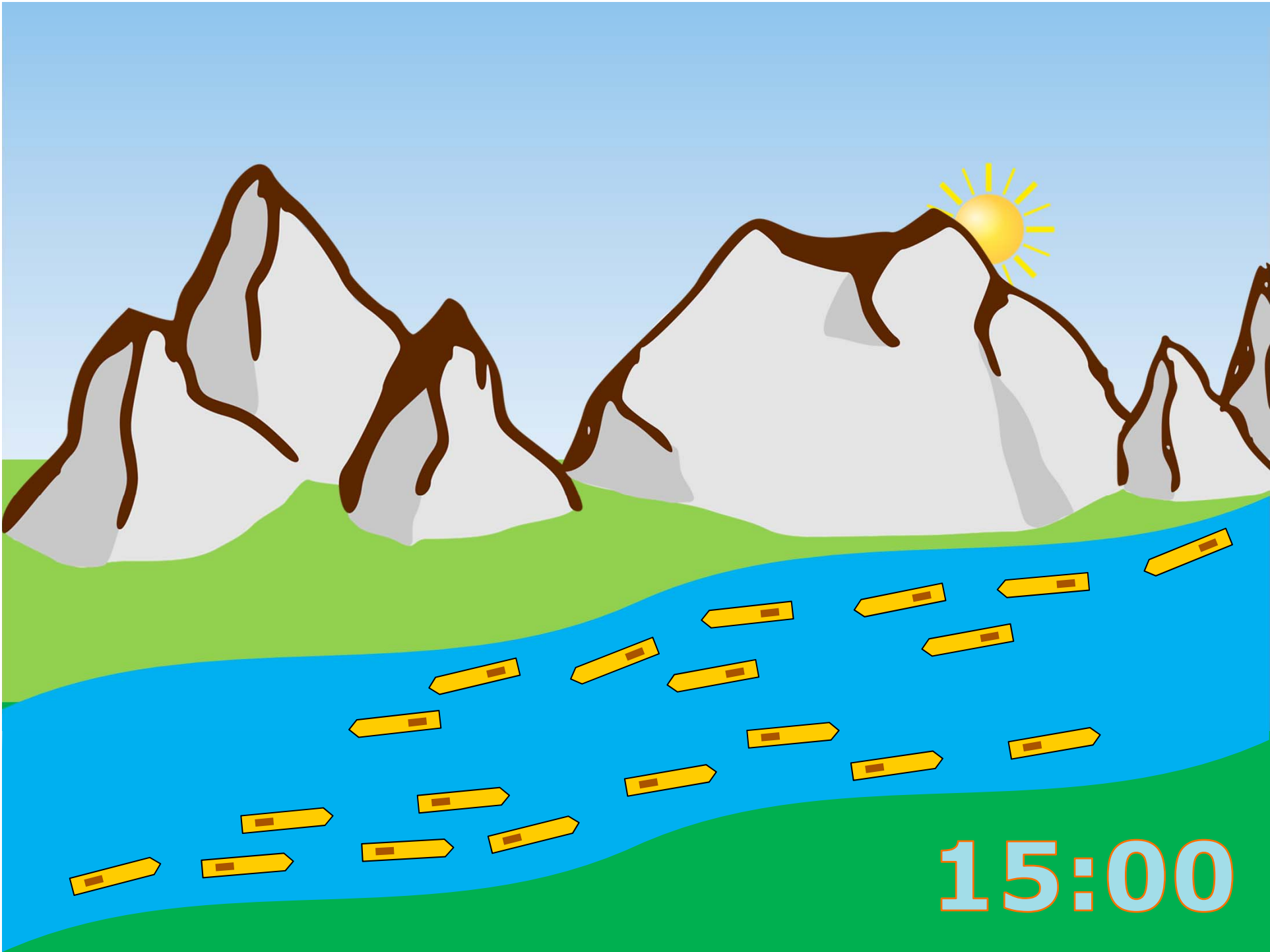
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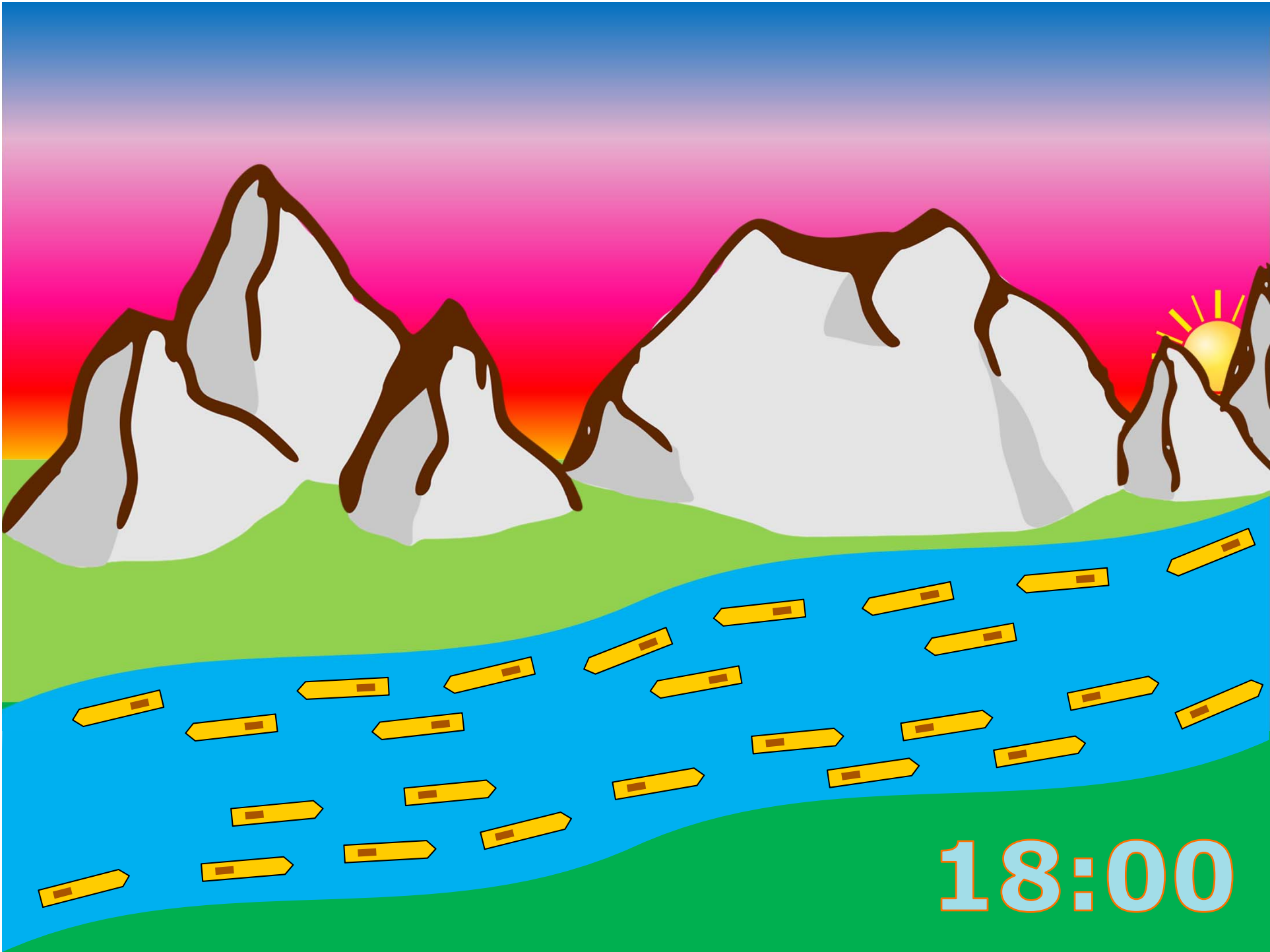




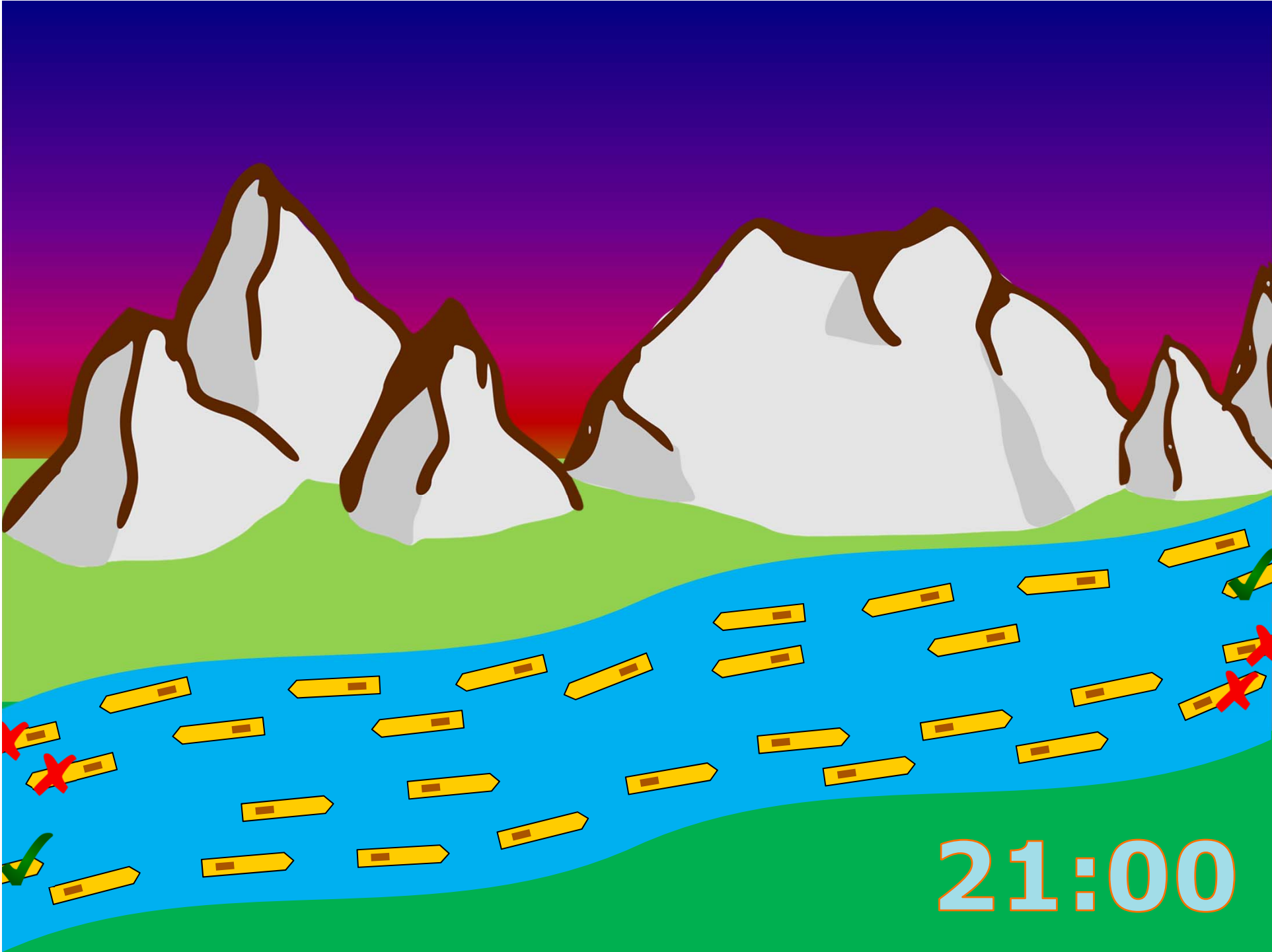
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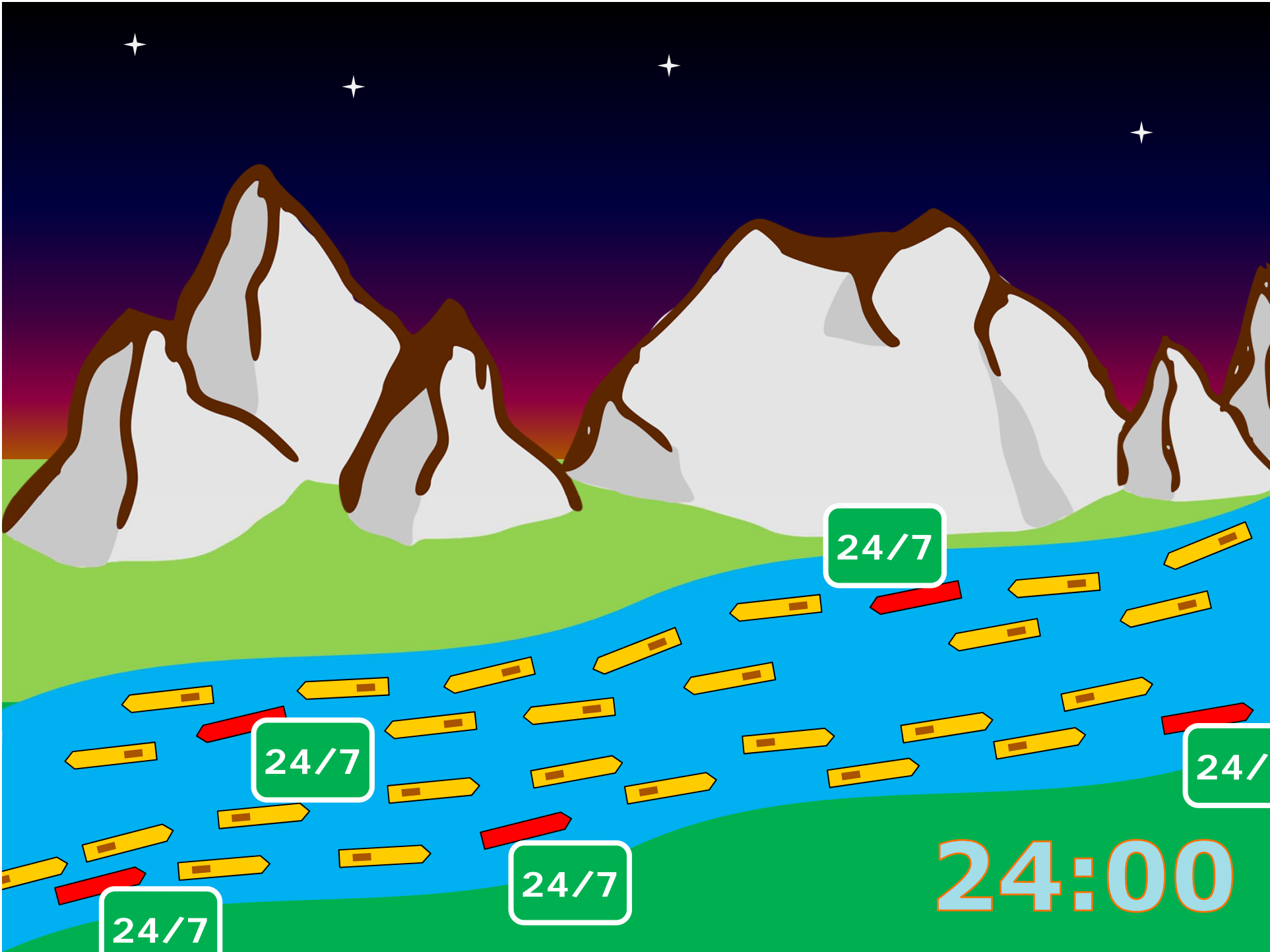
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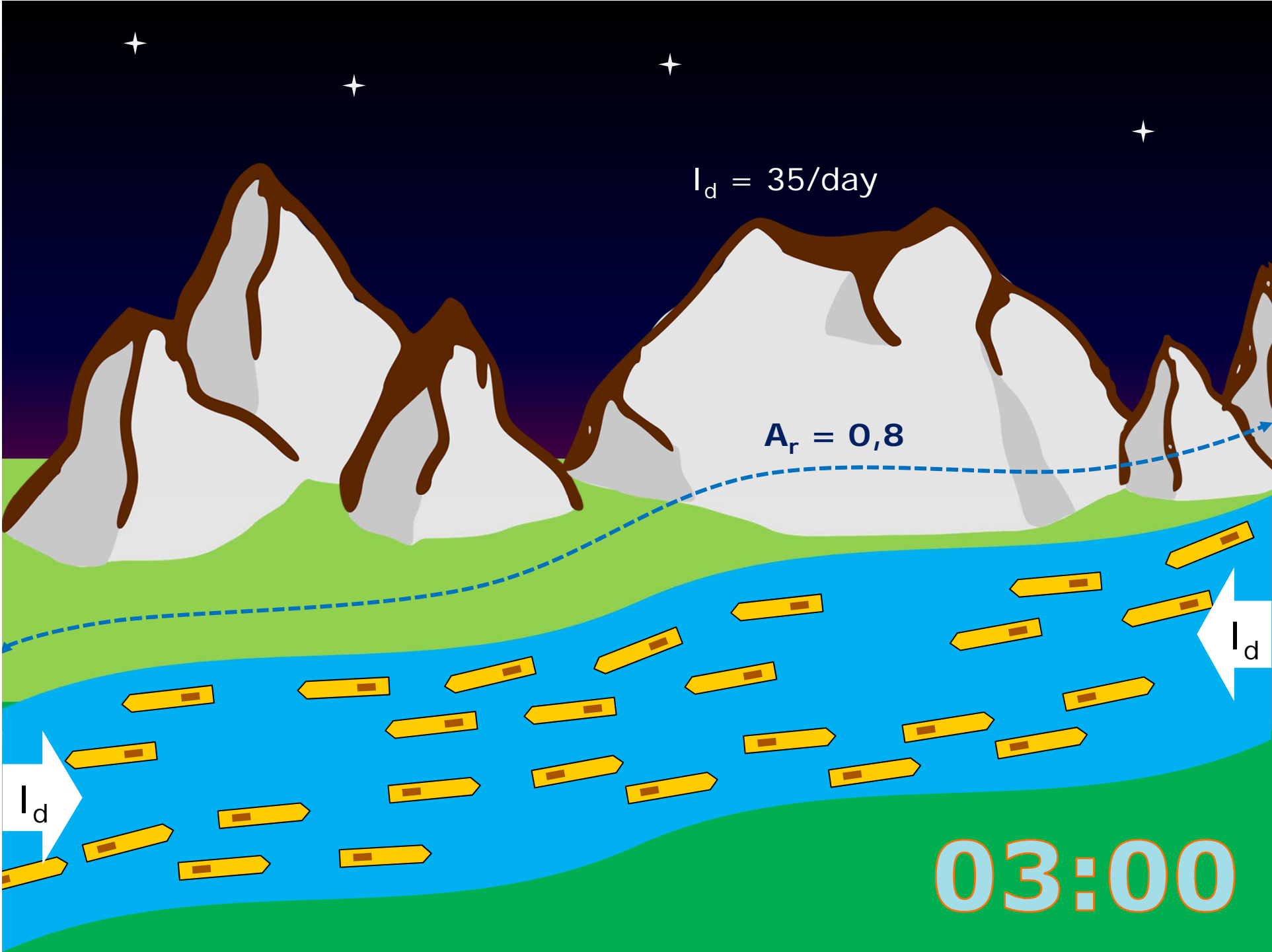
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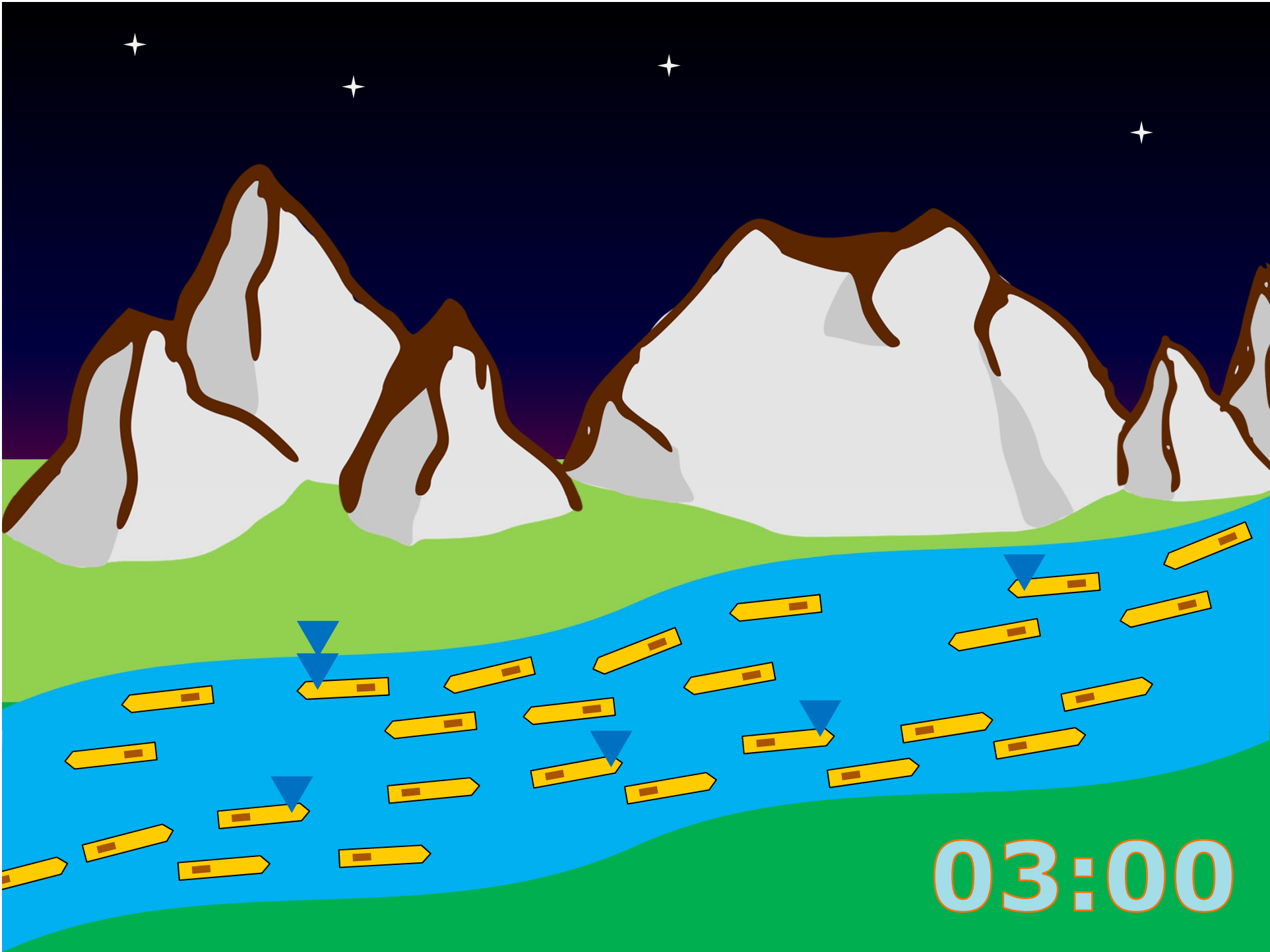
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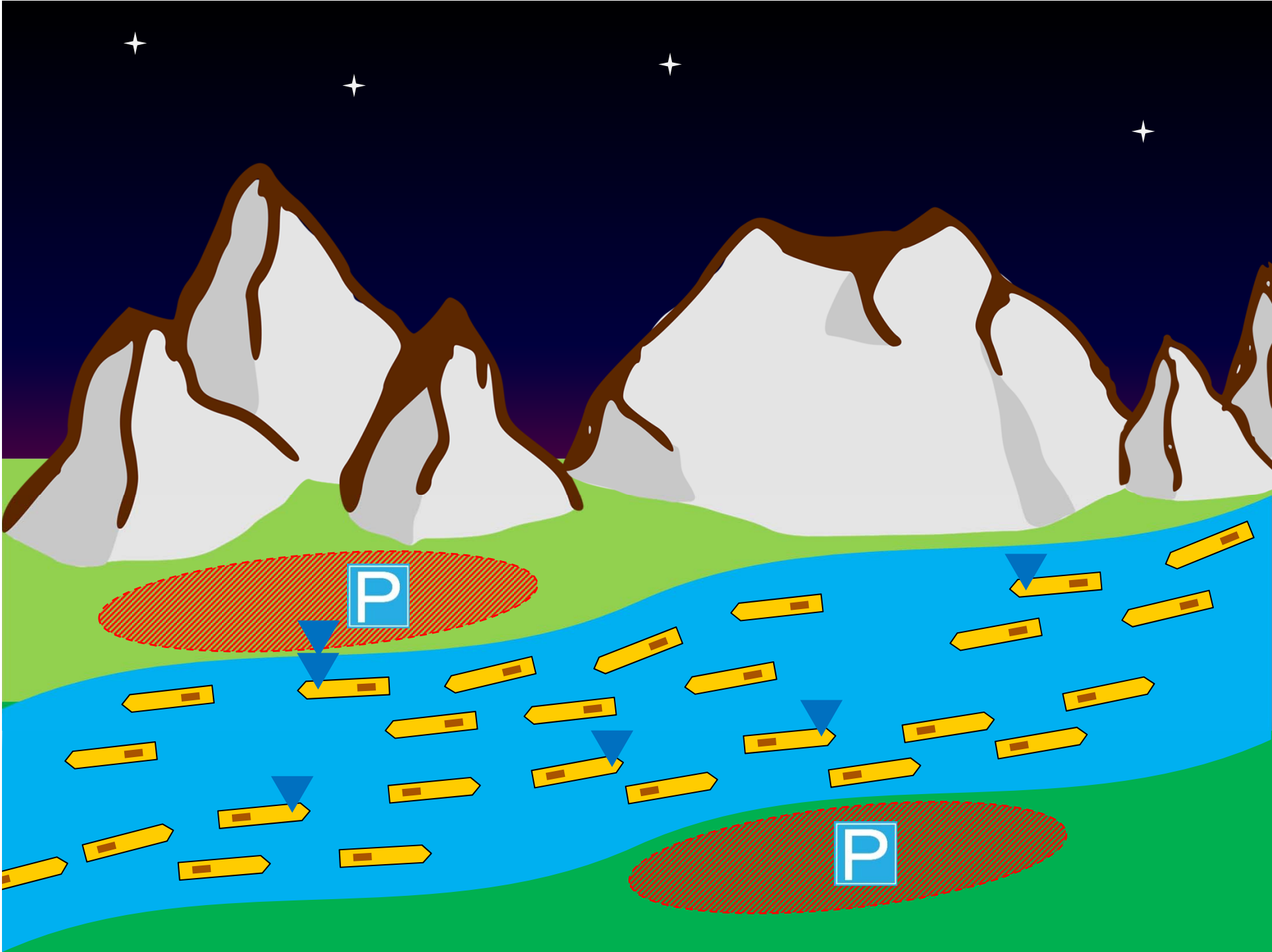
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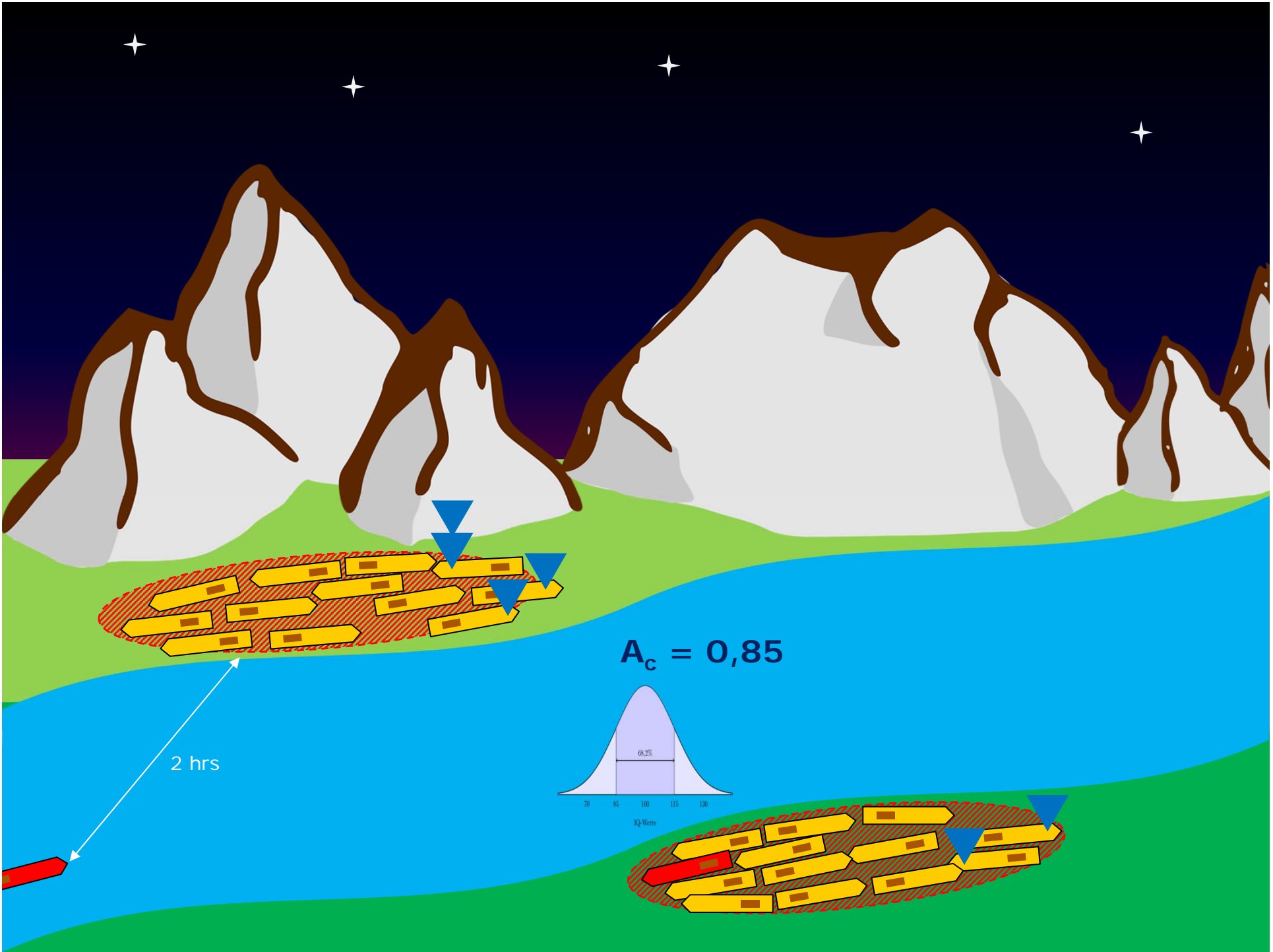
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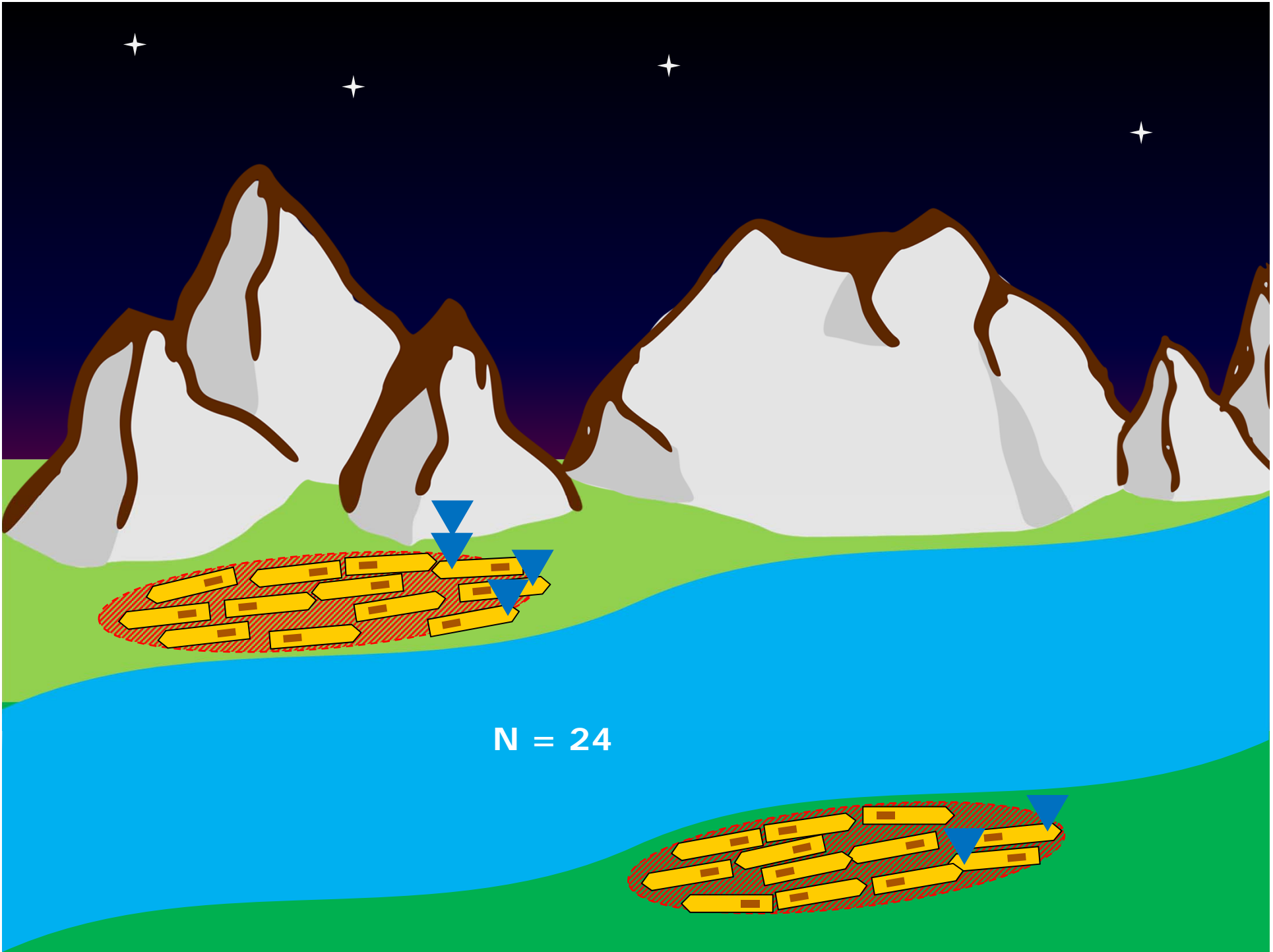




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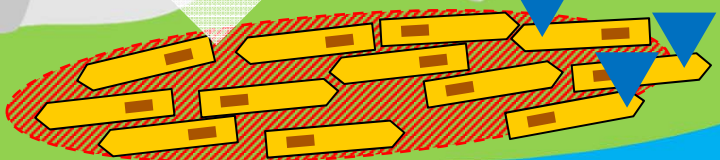
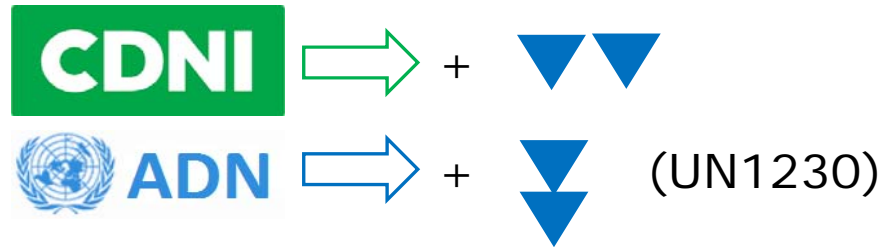




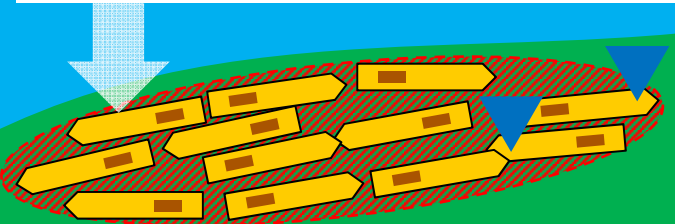
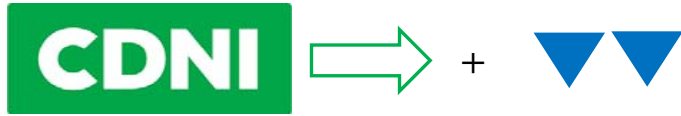


$N = 24$

9 barges → ..% 86m ..% 110m ..% 135m
2 tankers ADN 1 cone
1 tanker ADN 2 cones



10 barges → ..% 110m ..% 135m
2 tankers ADN 1 cone







Questions

