

Fuel control in Wialon

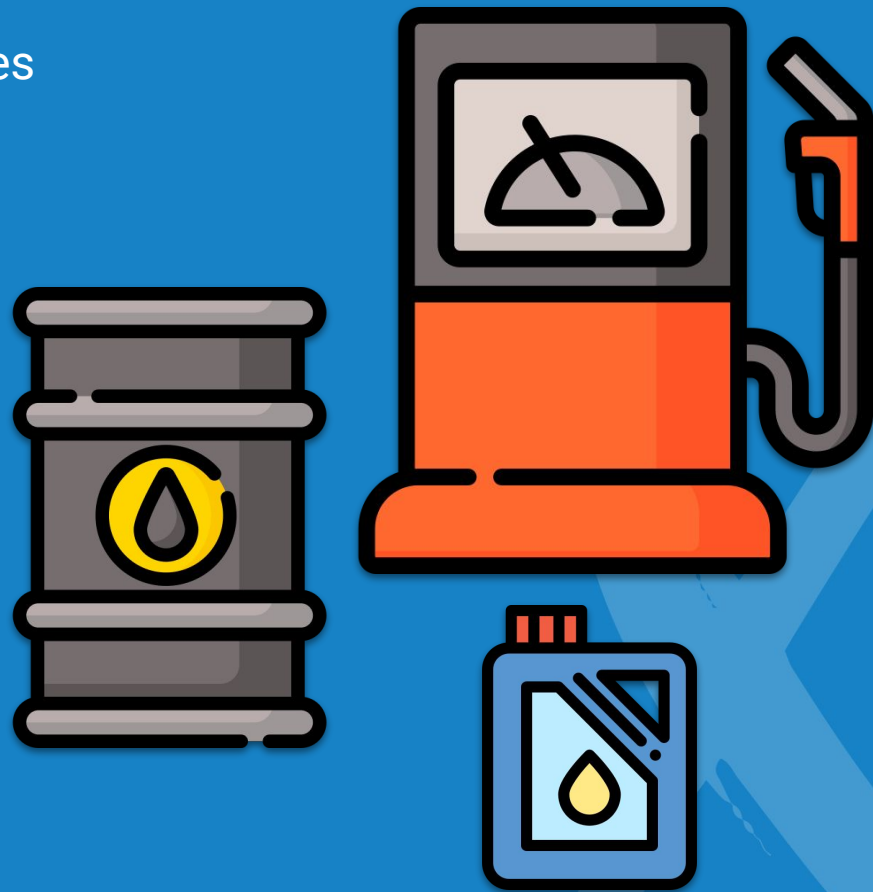
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Agenda

1. All **fuel** settings with **fuel** chart samples
2. **Fuel** consumption by rates
3. **Fuel** traffic
4. **Fuel, fuel, fuel...**
5. **MOAR FUEL!!!**



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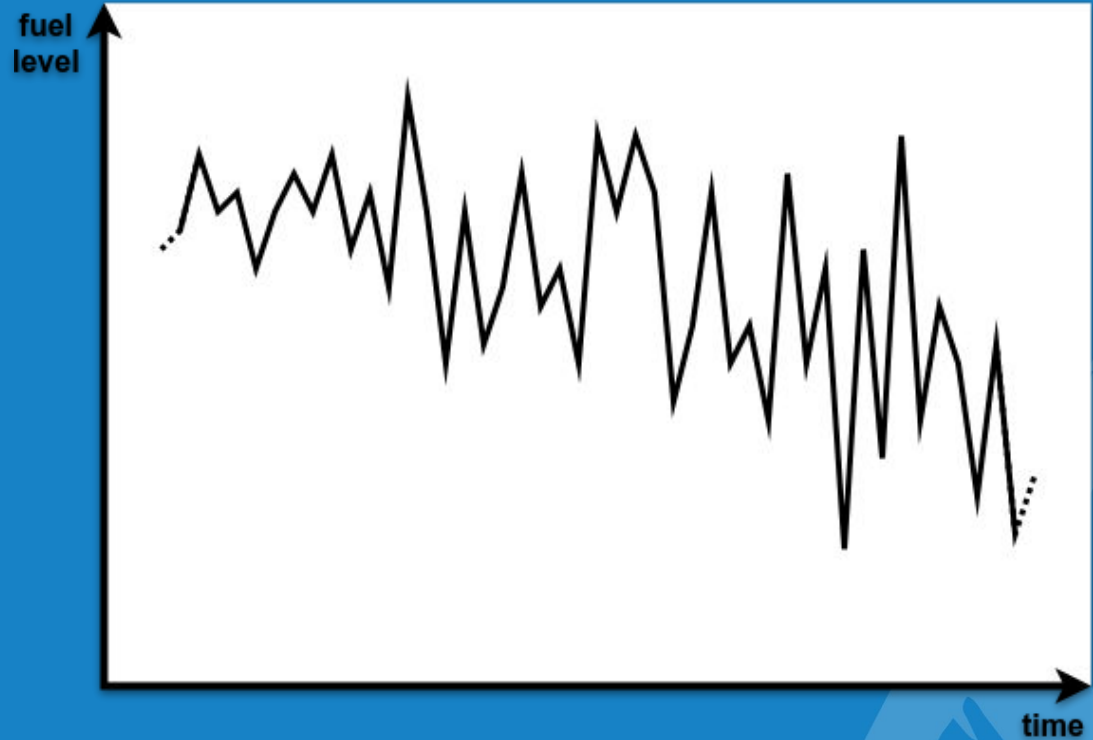
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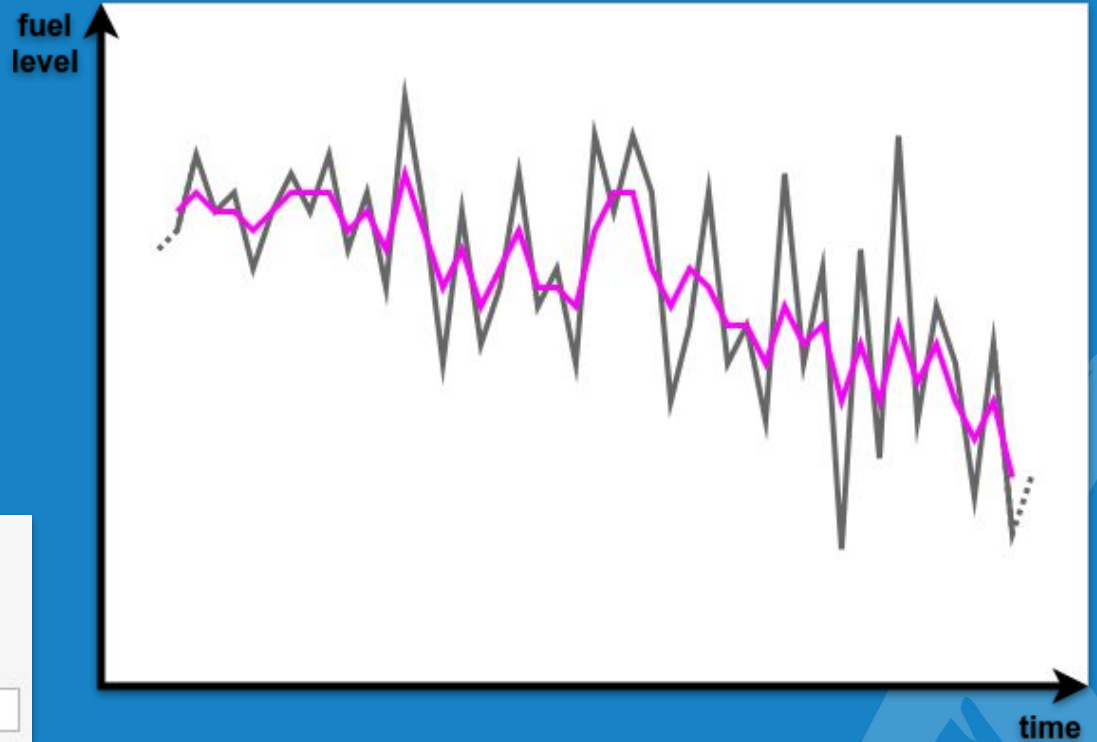
What affects fluctuations?

- engine vibrations
- tank volume and shape
- rough road
- movement at a slope
- impurities in the fuel
- wrong calibration
- power fluctuations
- messages sending frequency



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Let's add a small filtration.



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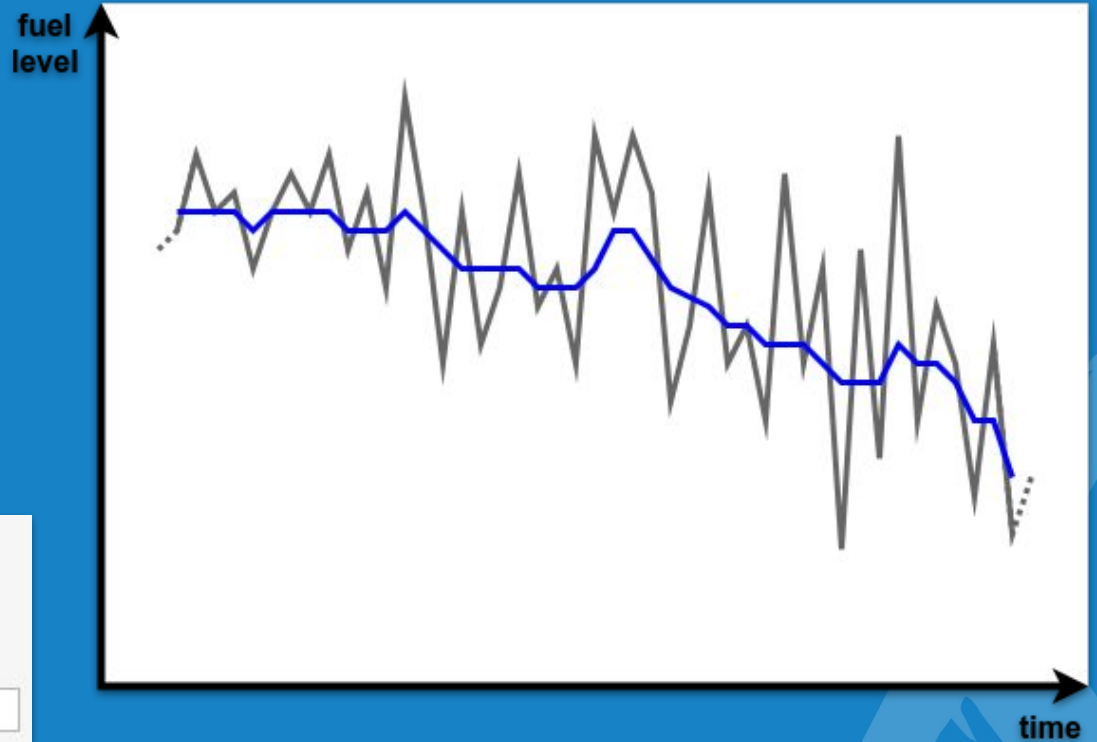
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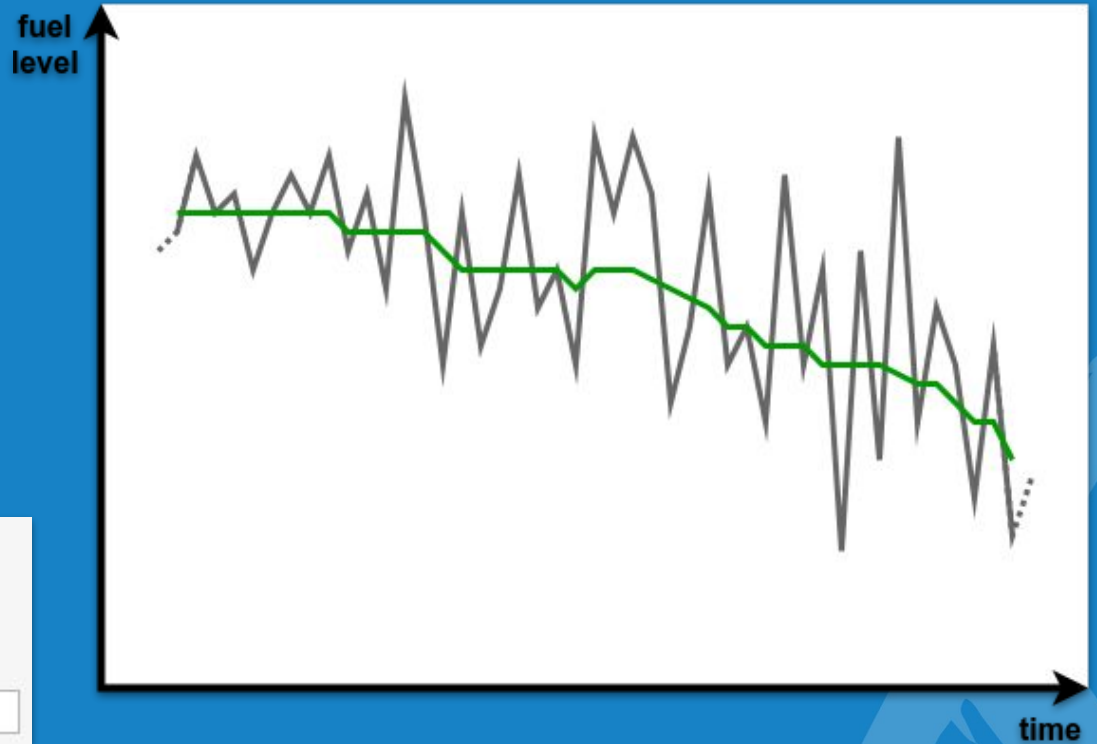
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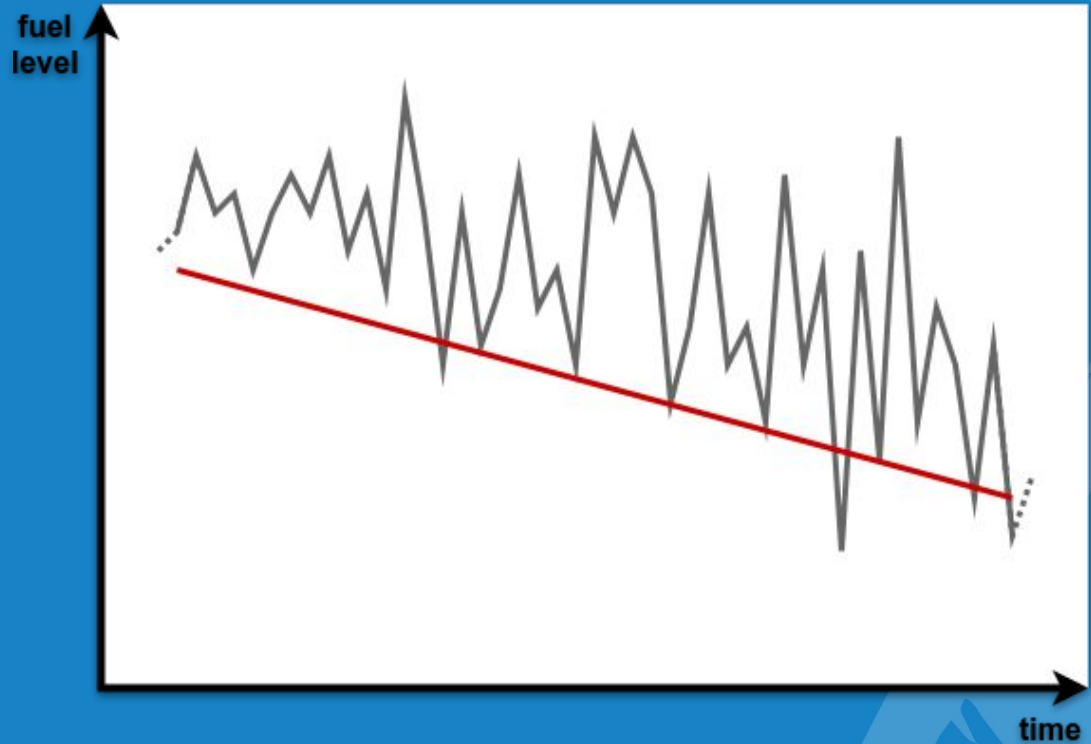
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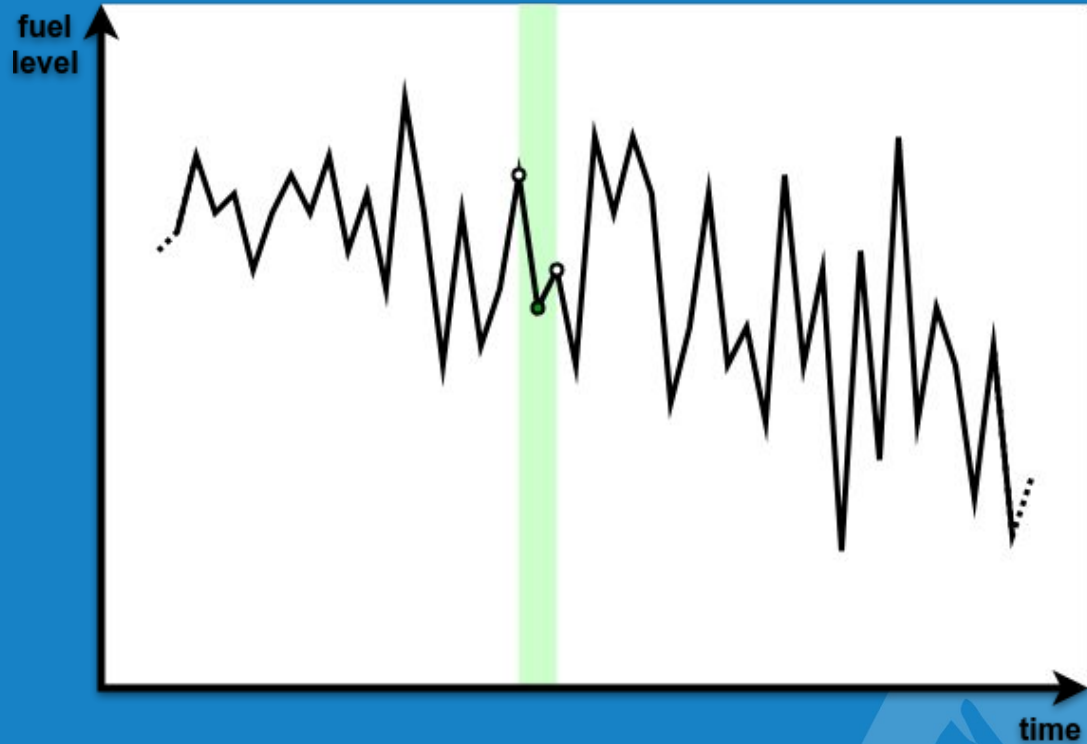
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Usually we don't recommend to use filtration level more than 7-10.



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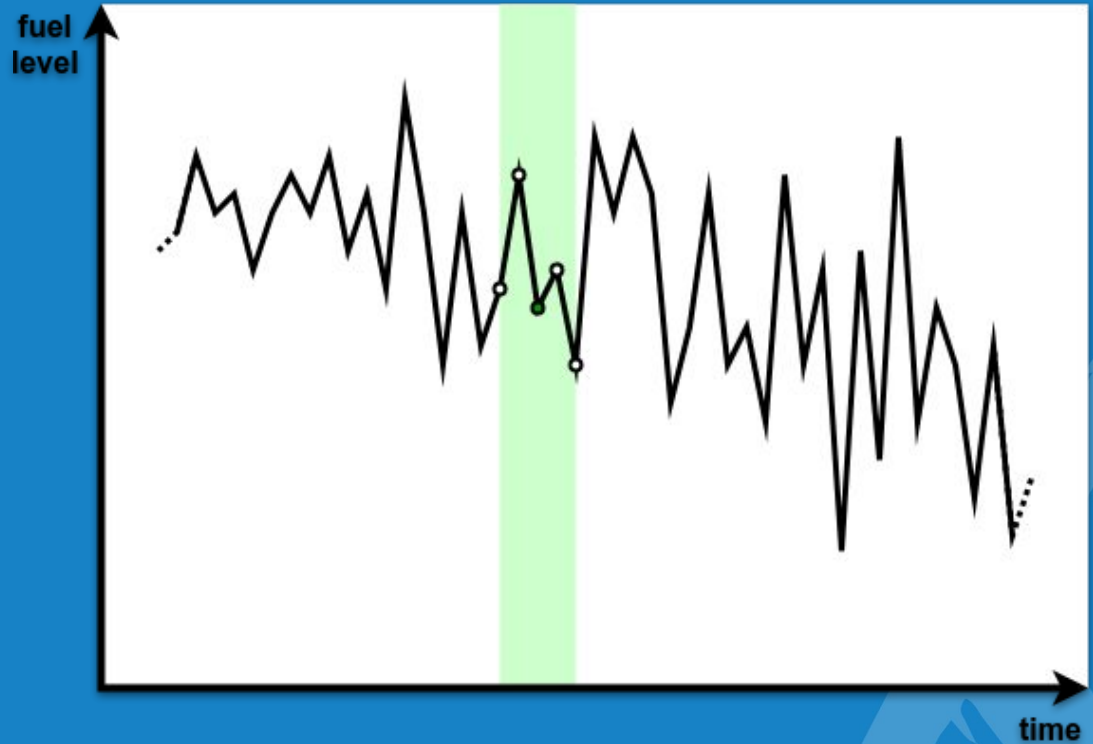
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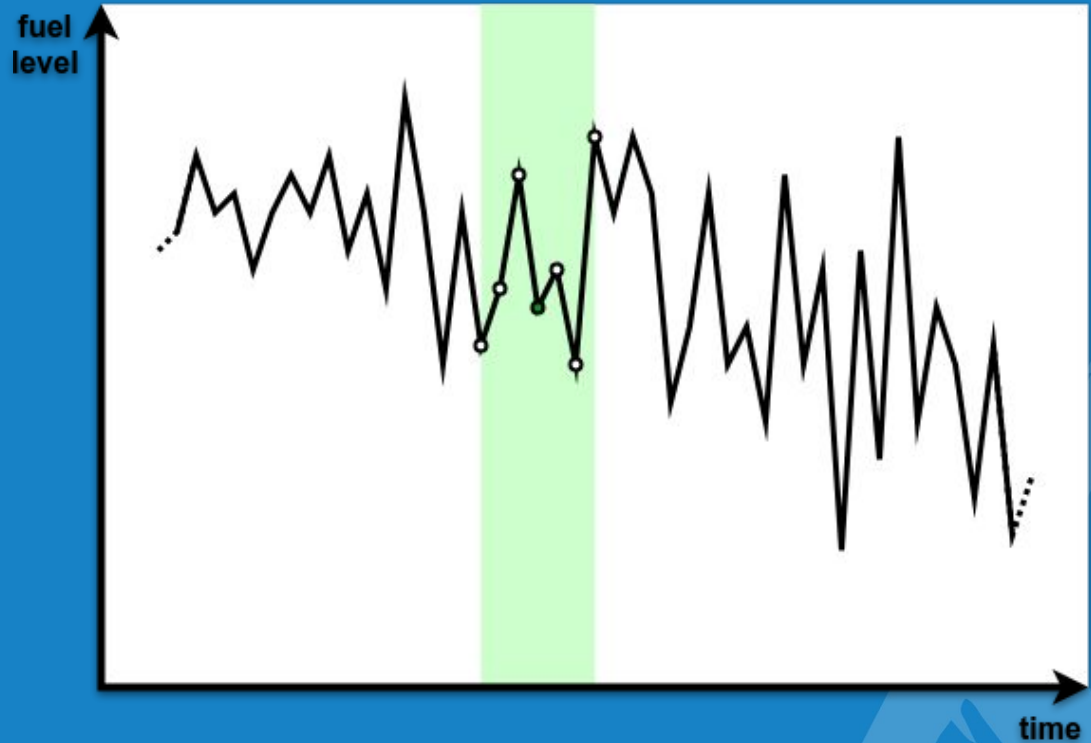
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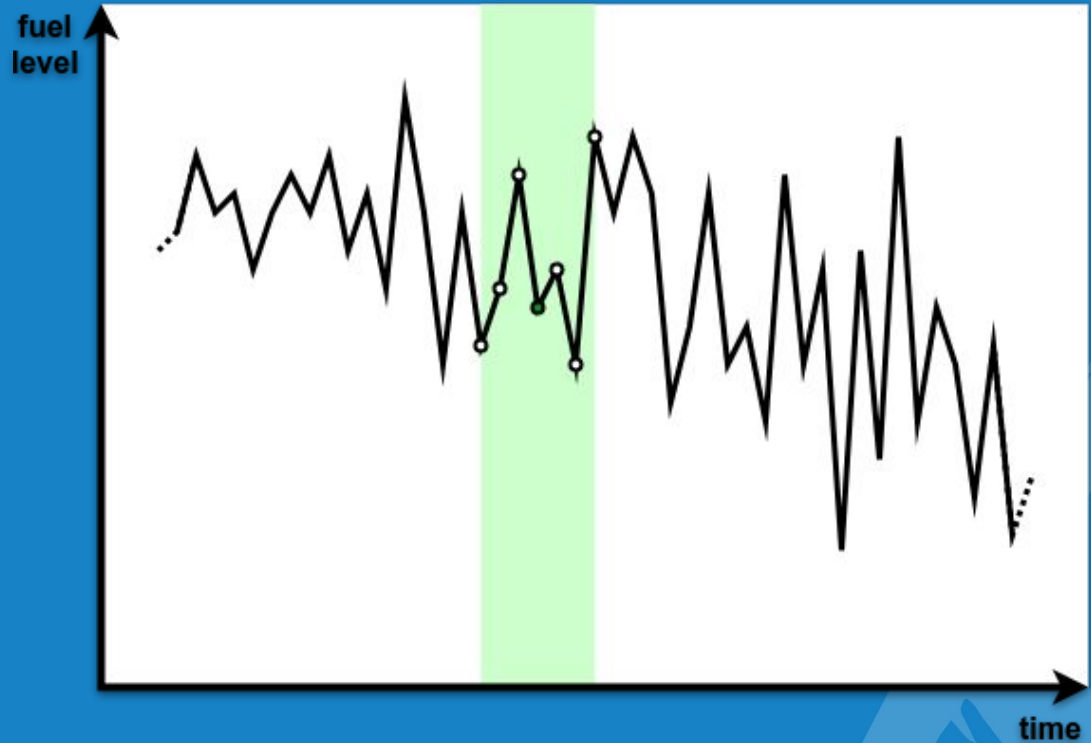


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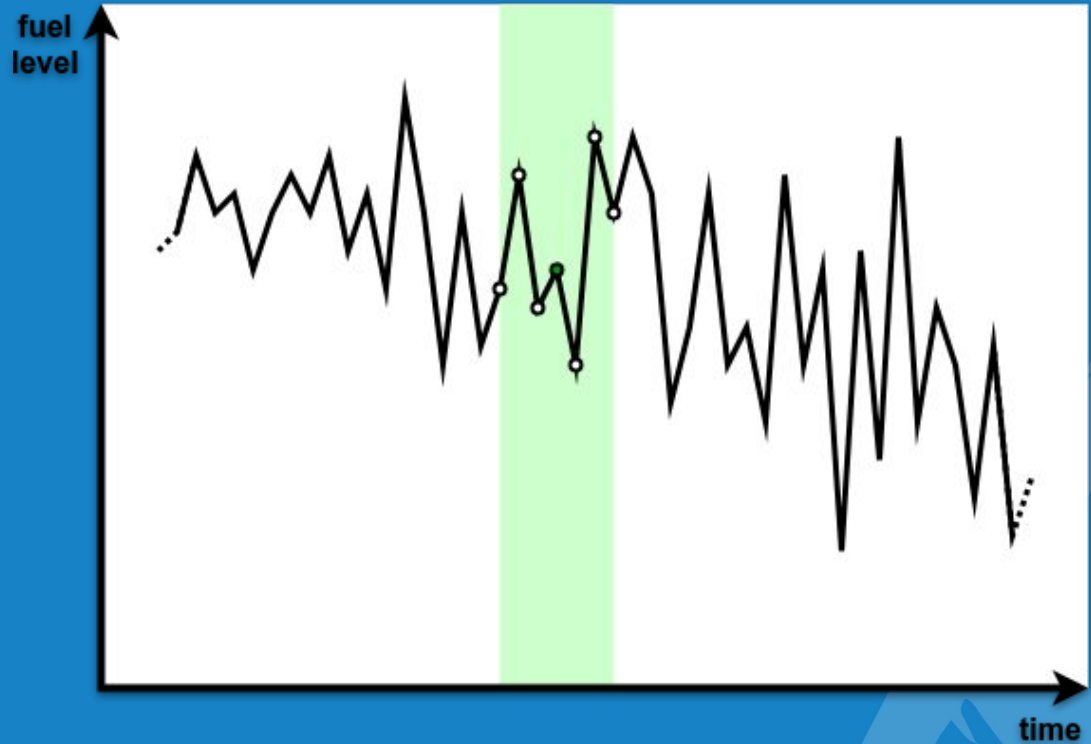


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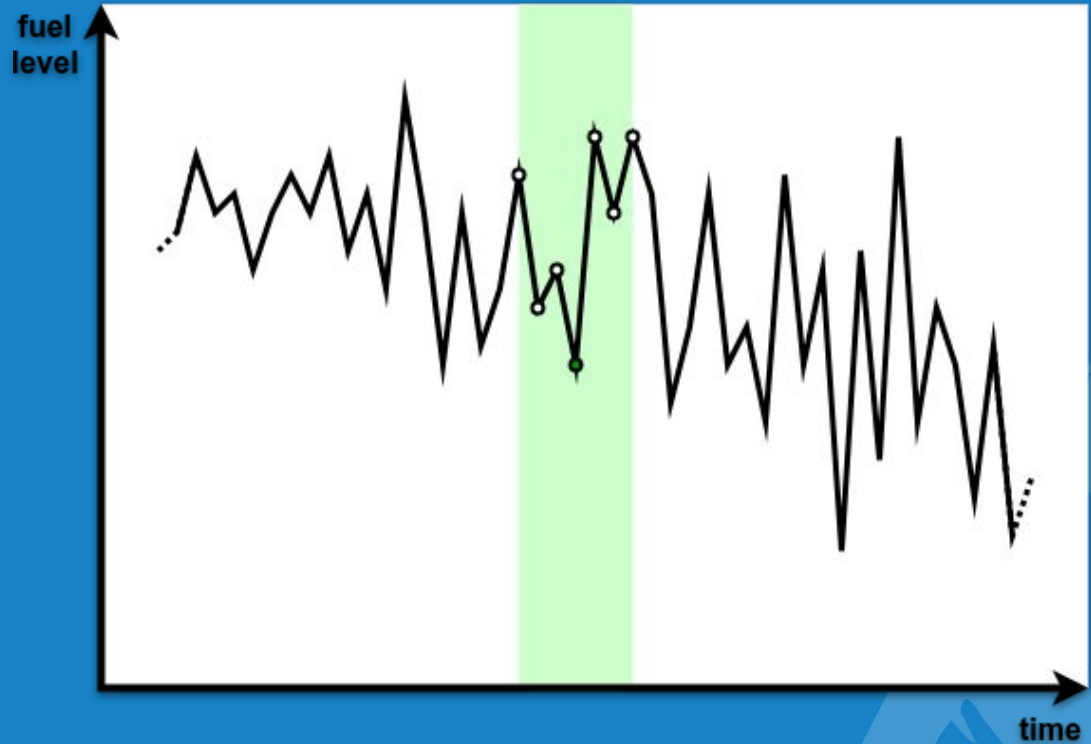


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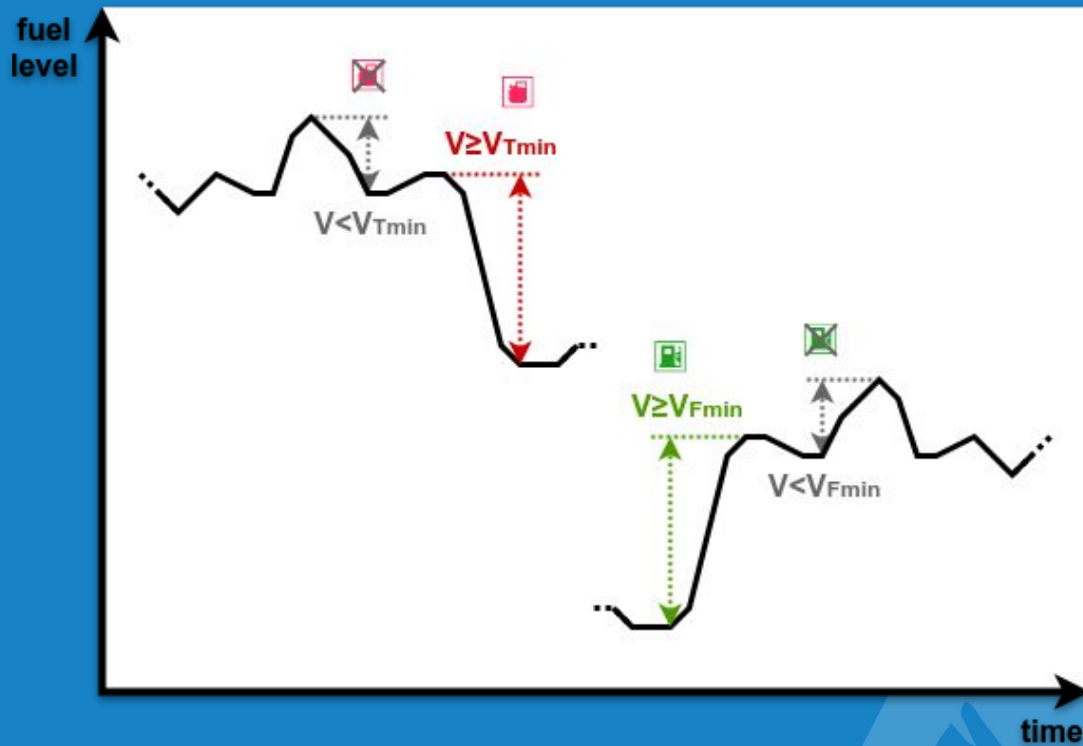
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Even after filtration there will be some fluctuations left. So we need to separate these fluctuations from fillings and thefts with a help of rough filter – minimum fuel filling and theft volume (V_{Fmin} & V_{Tmin}).

Fuel fillings/thefts detection

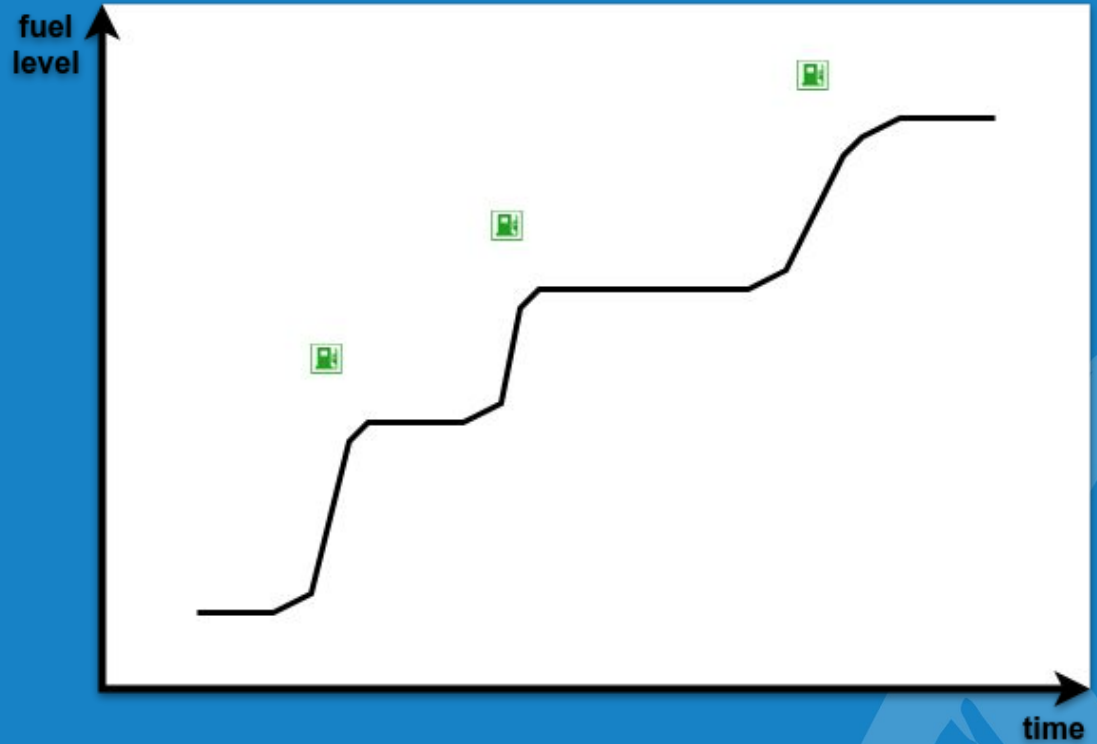
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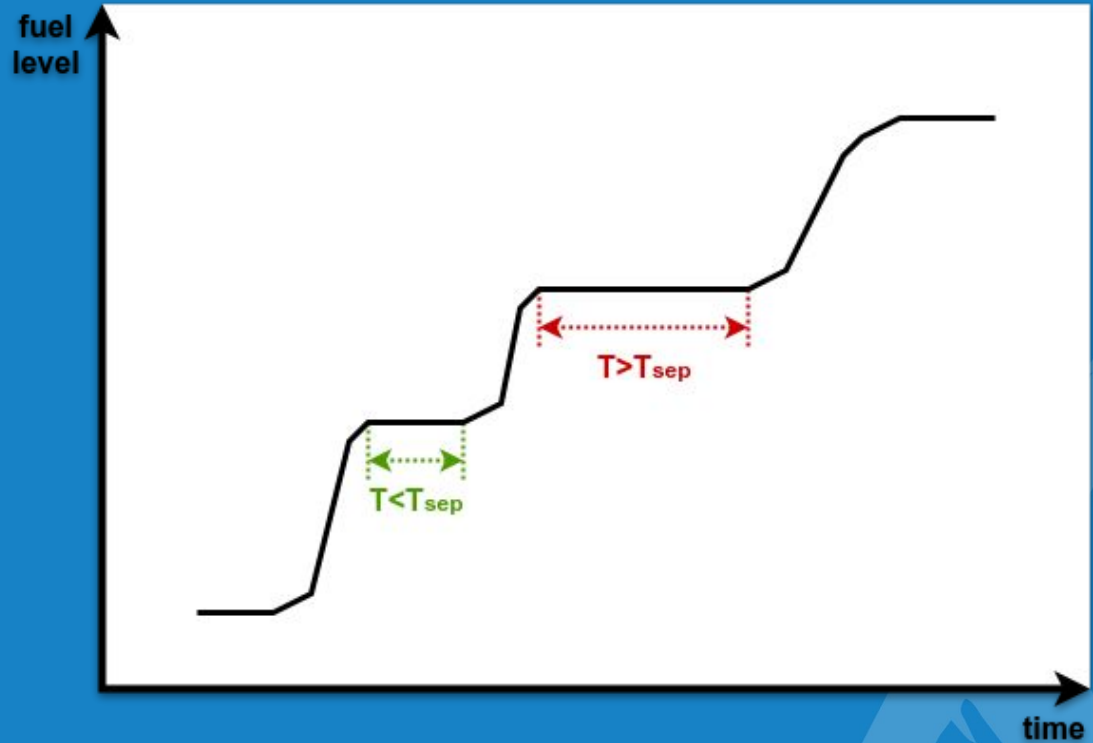
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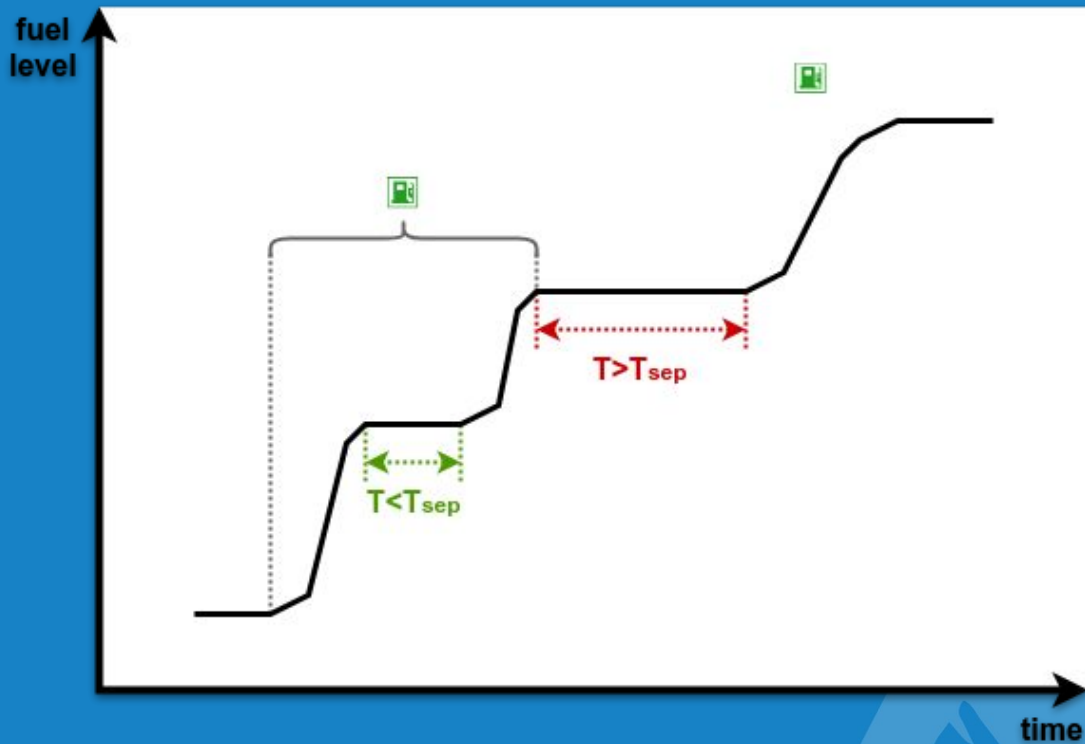
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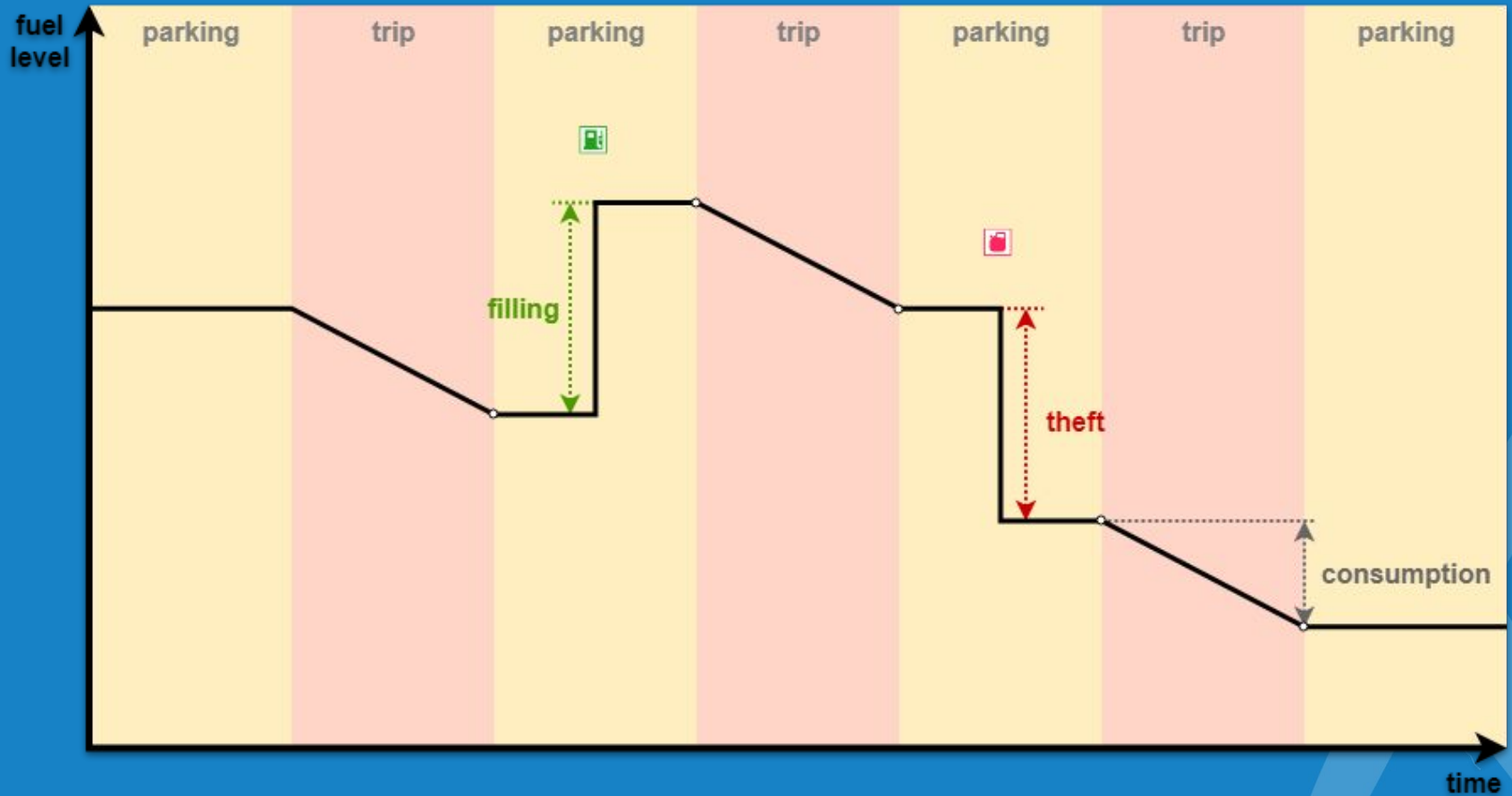
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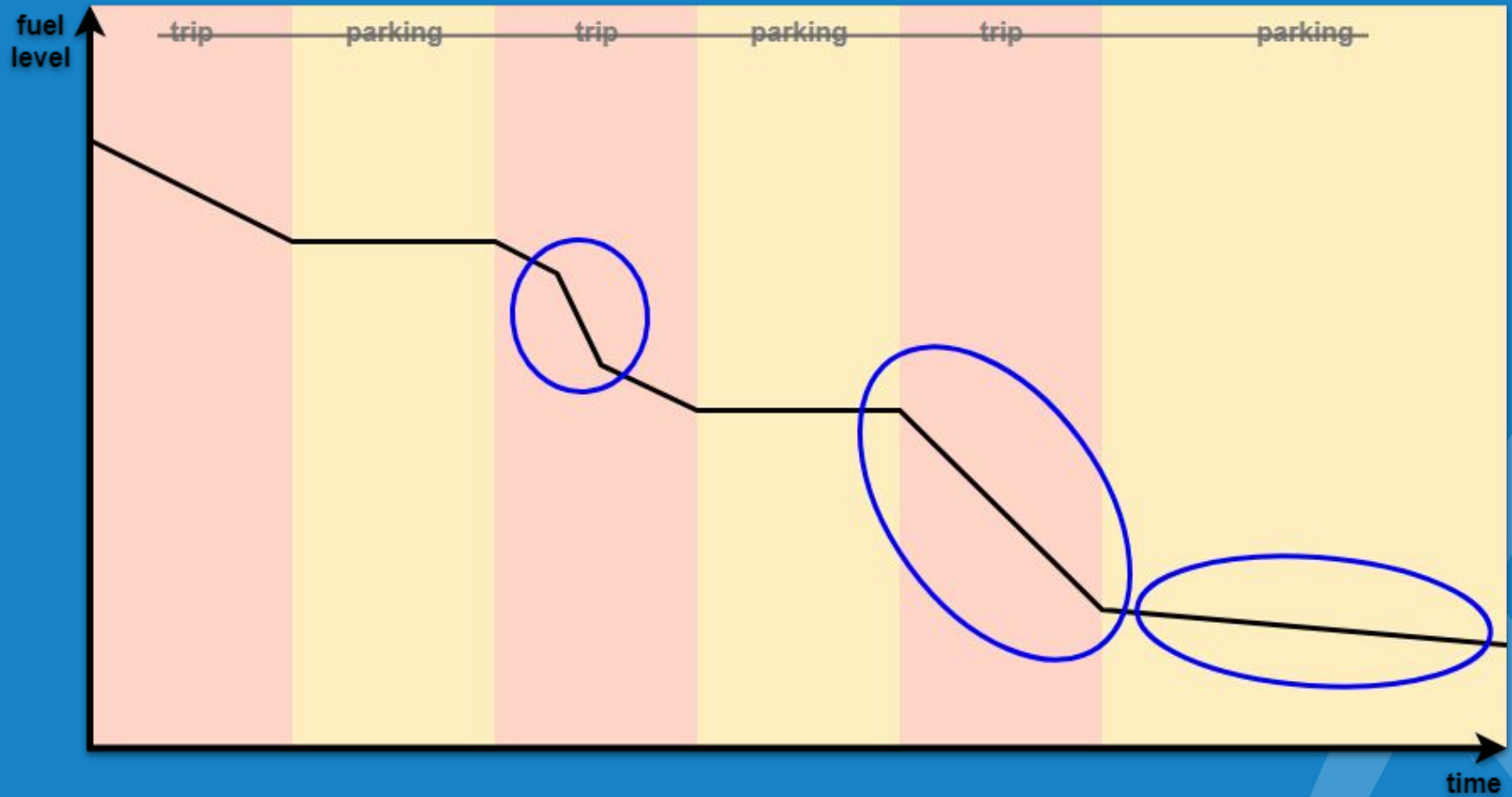
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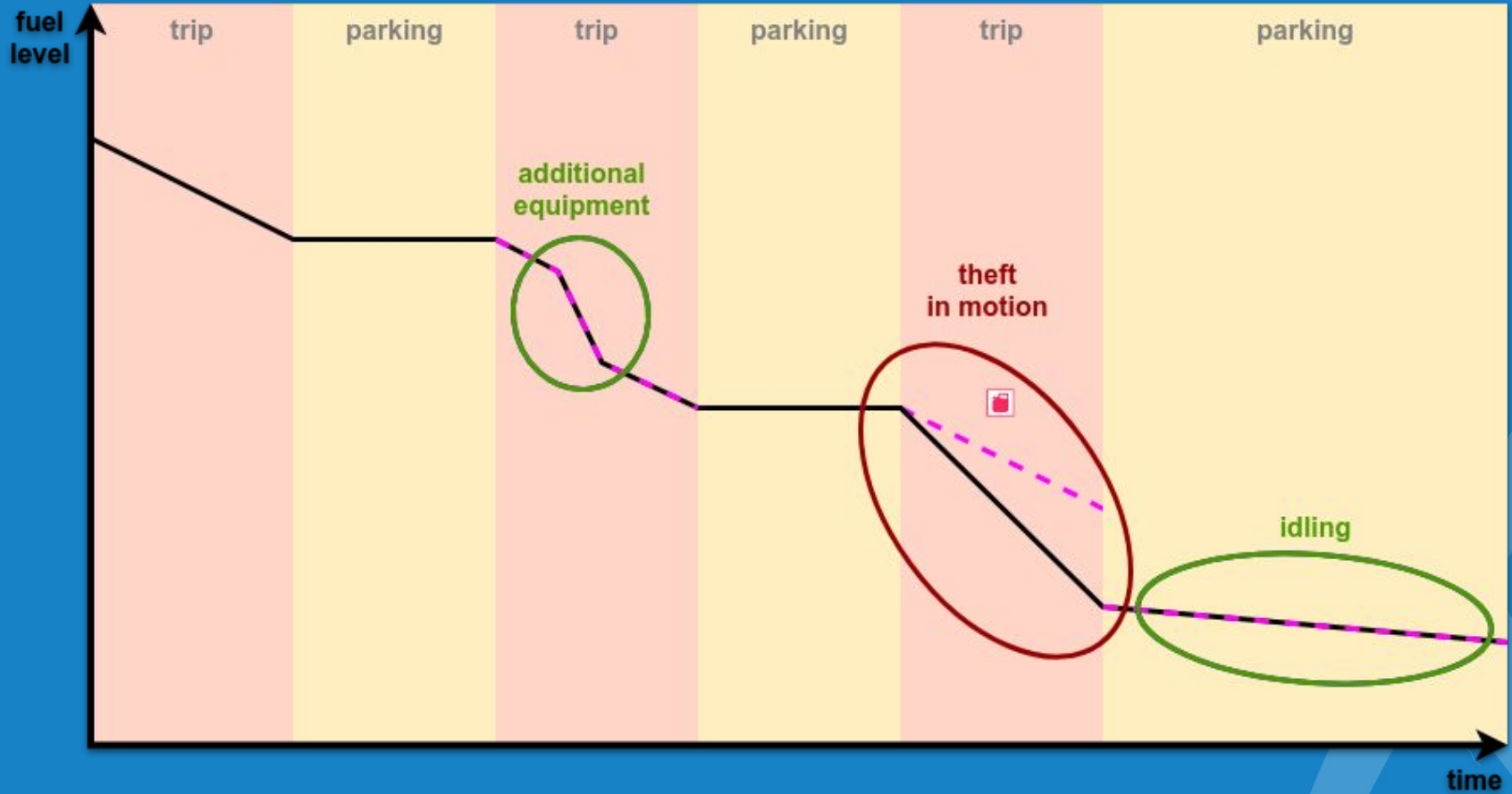
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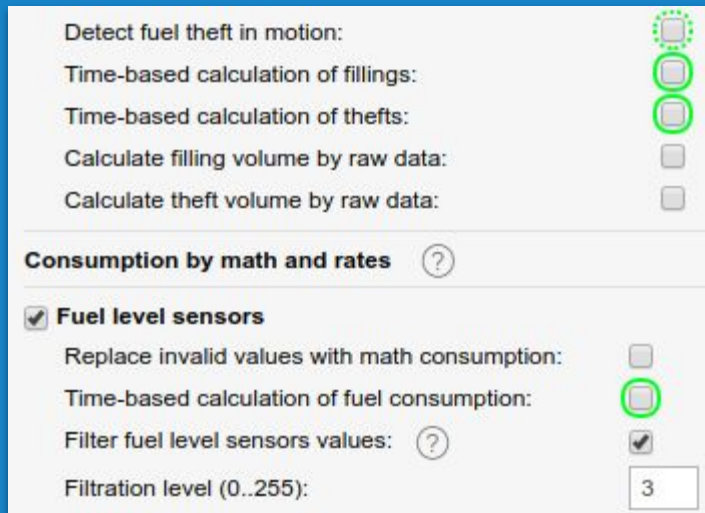


Mileage-based vs Time-based fuel algorithms

Mileage-based

Used by default, easy to configure.
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- main part of moving units



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Time-based

A little bit harder to configure.
Suits for:

- stationary units
- units with long intervals of idling
- units with additional equipment affecting consumption
- drivers smart enough to make a theft during movement

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The screenshot shows the 'New Unit' application window. The 'Sensors' tab is selected and highlighted with a green circle. A green arrow points from this tab to the 'Math consumption wizard' button, which is also highlighted with a green circle. The 'Math consumption wizard' dialog is open, showing the following fields:

- Consumption in different modes:**
 - Consumption, l/h: 2
 - Urban cycle, l/100km: 10
 - Suburban cycle, l/100km: (empty)
- ☐ **Seasonal multiplier, %:** 20
- From:** 1 December
- To:** 29 February

Buttons: Cancel, OK

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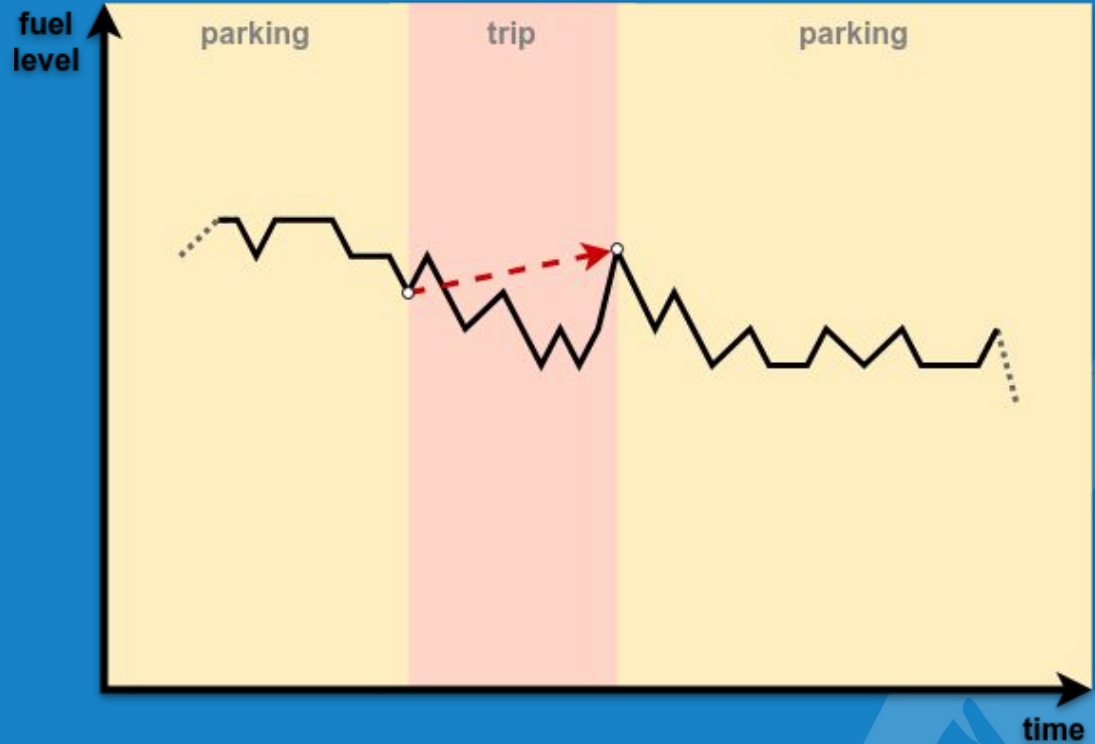
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10 most commonly
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7 to go...

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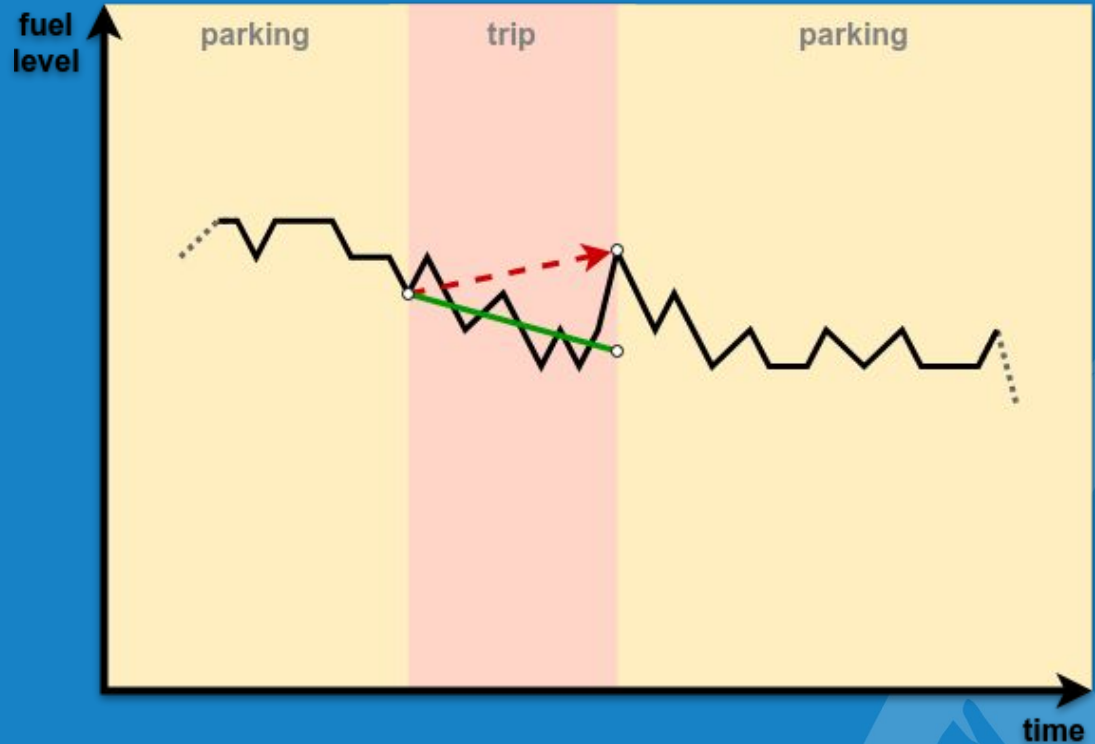
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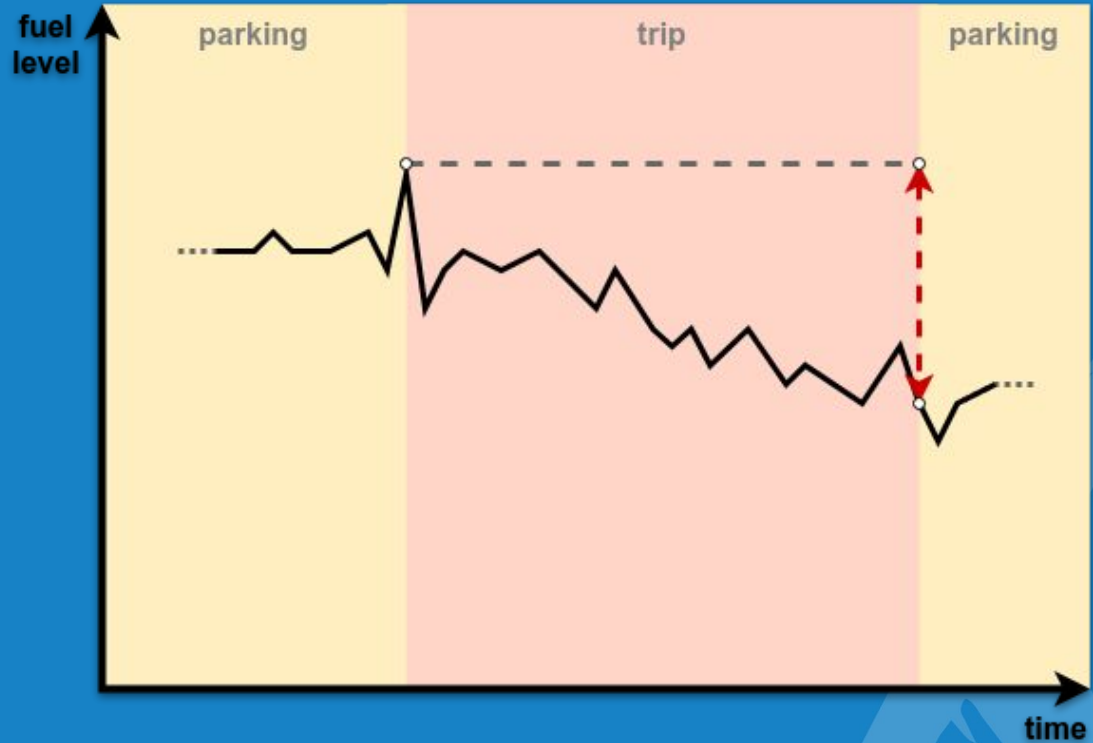
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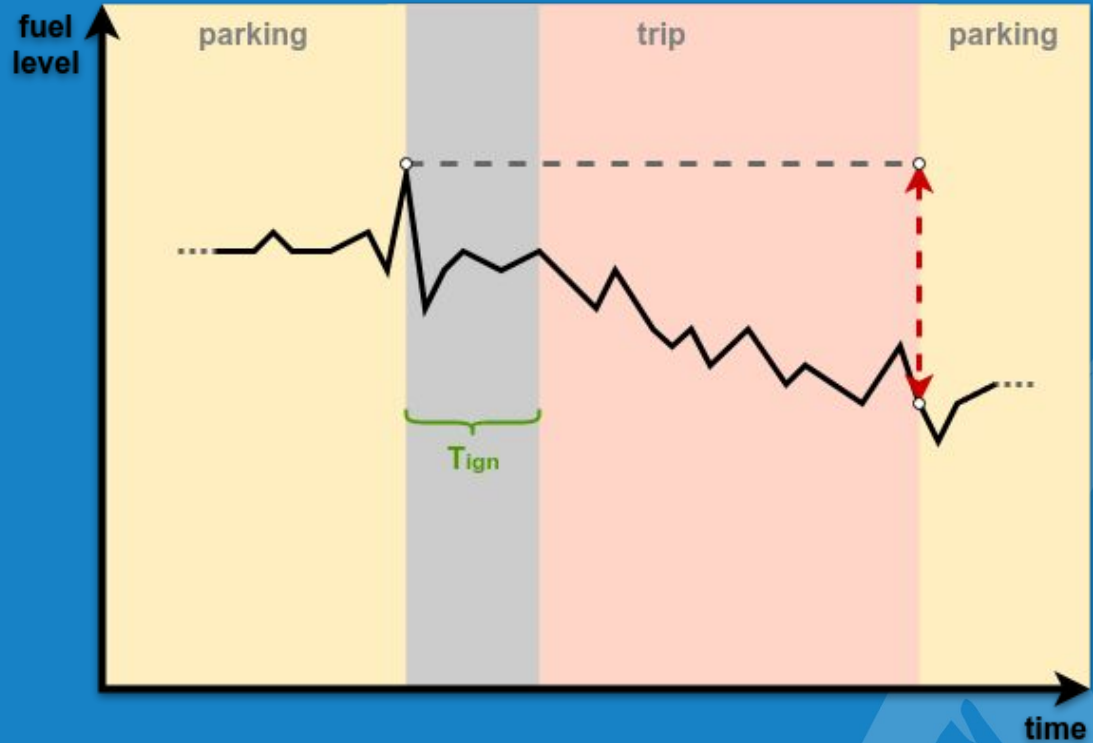
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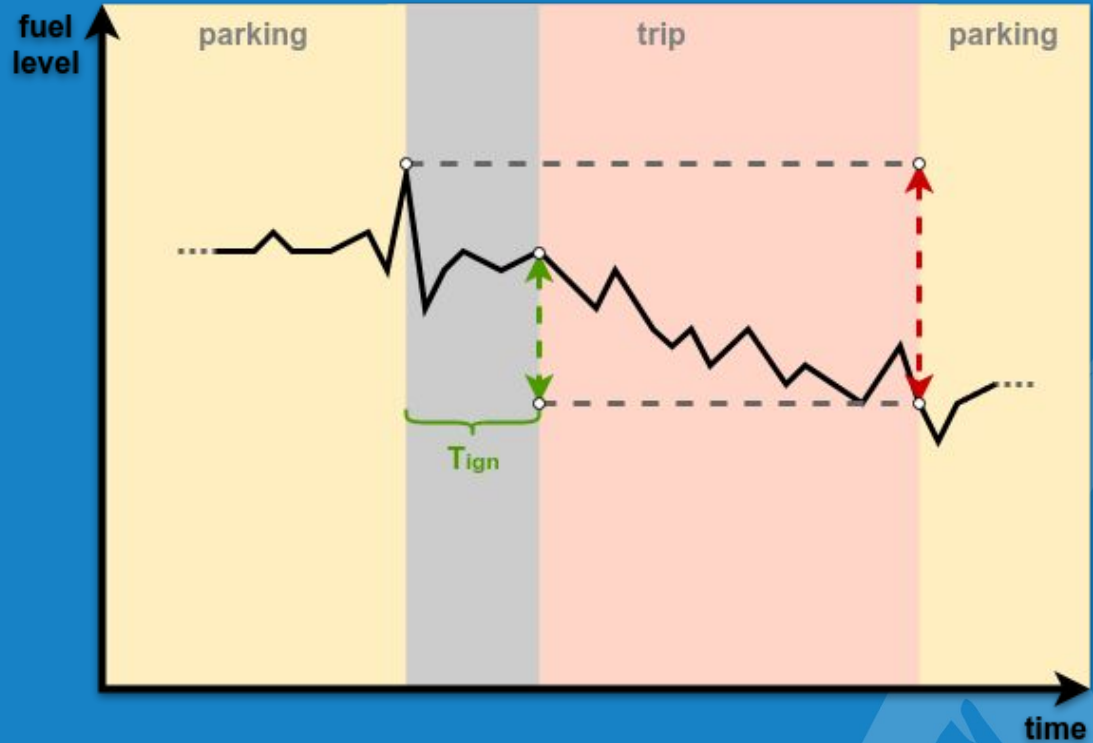
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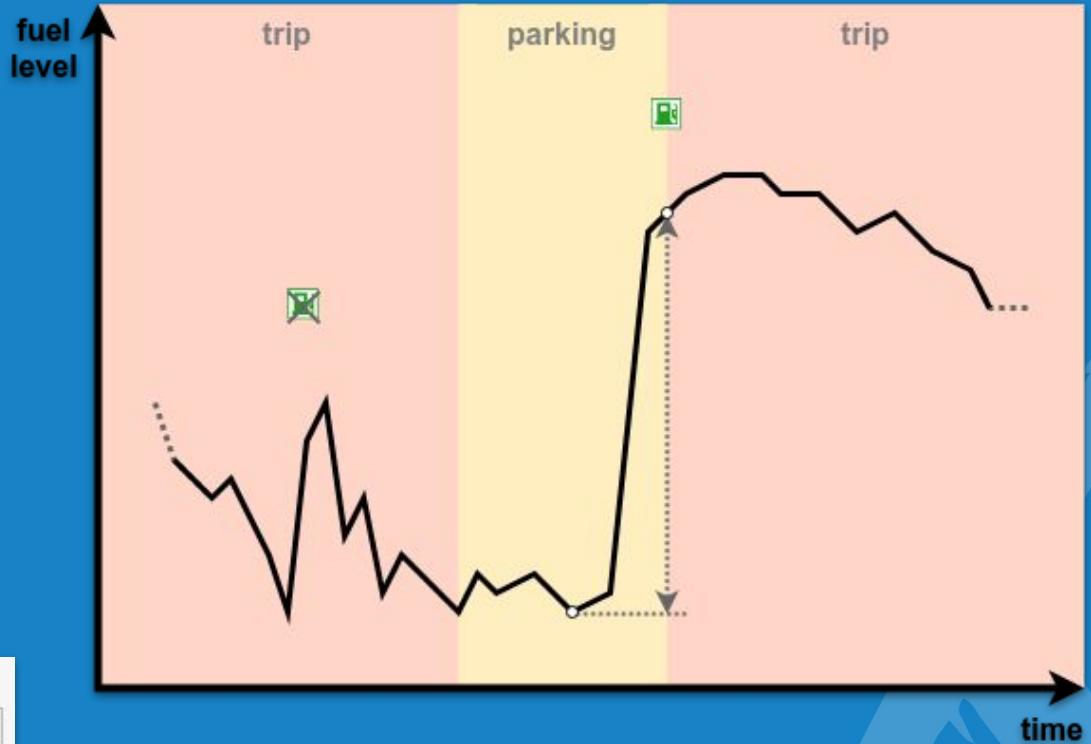
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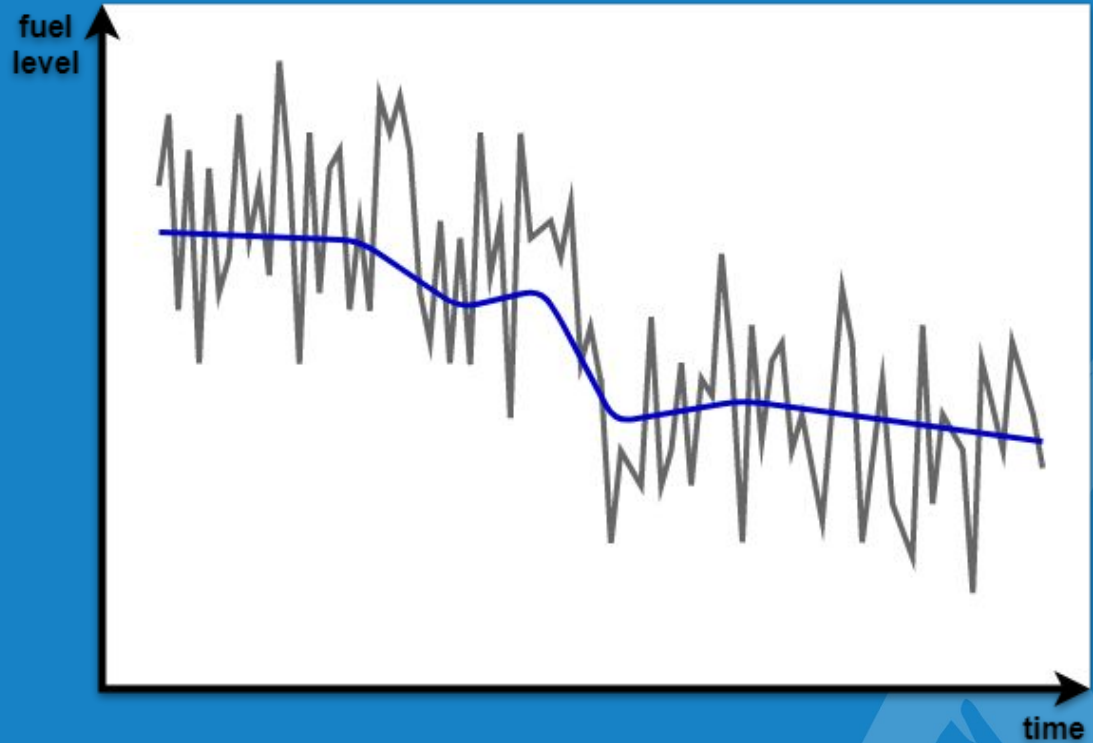


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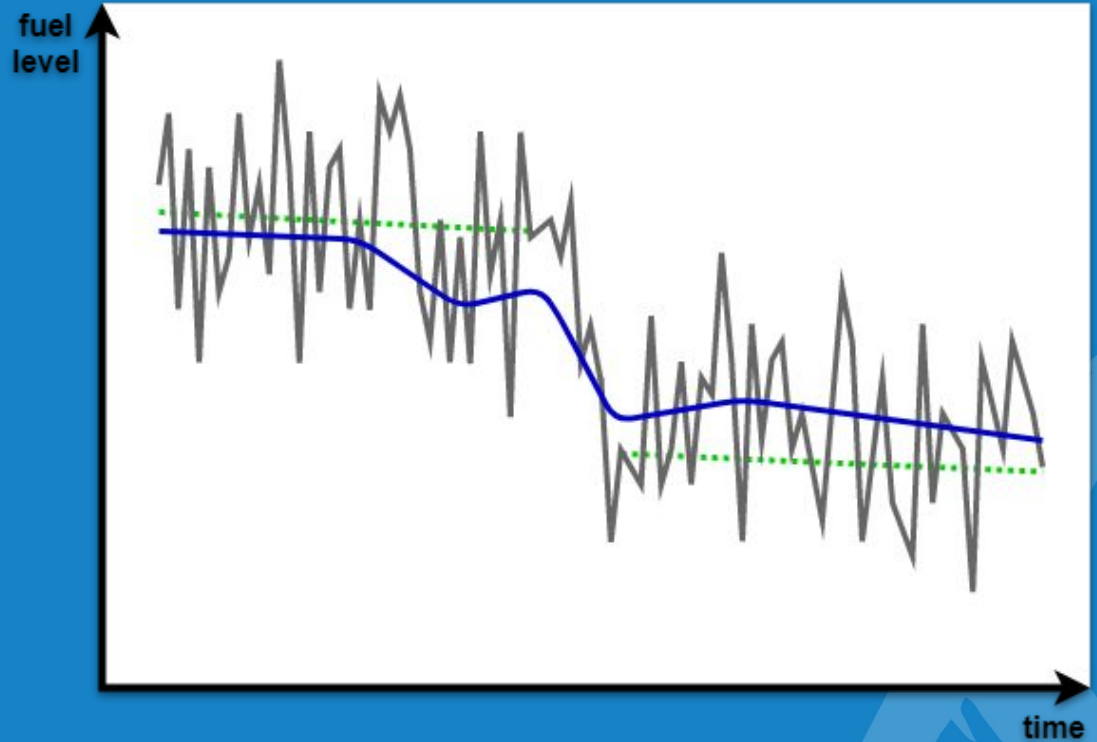
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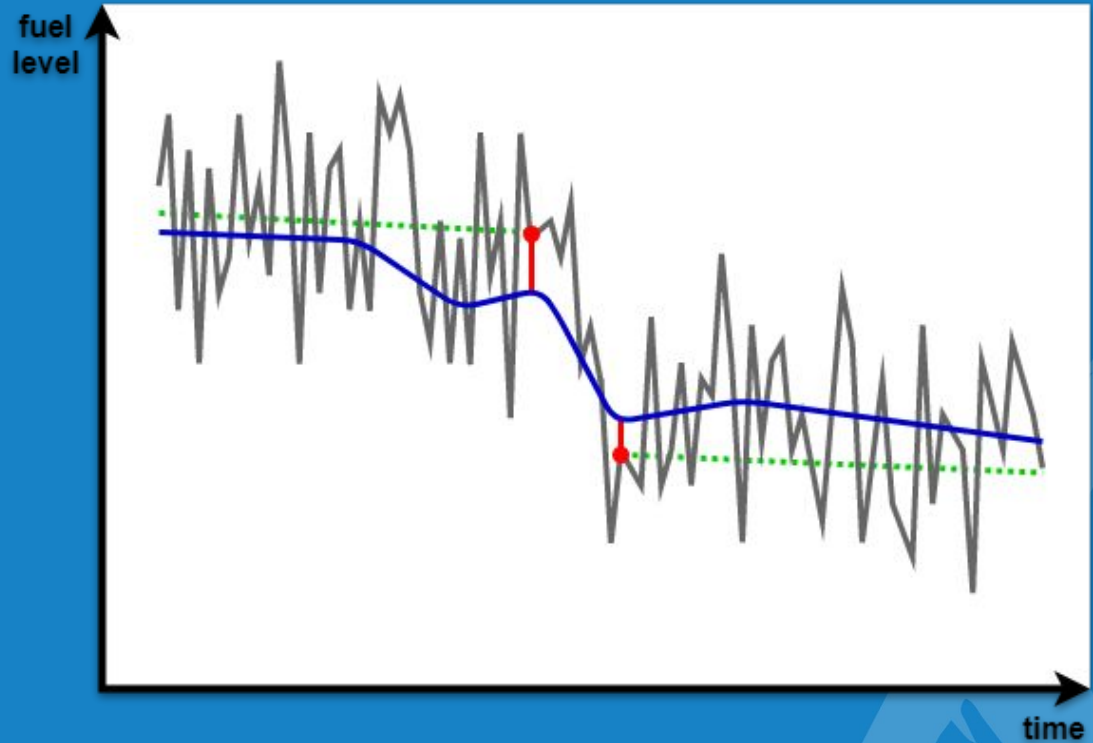
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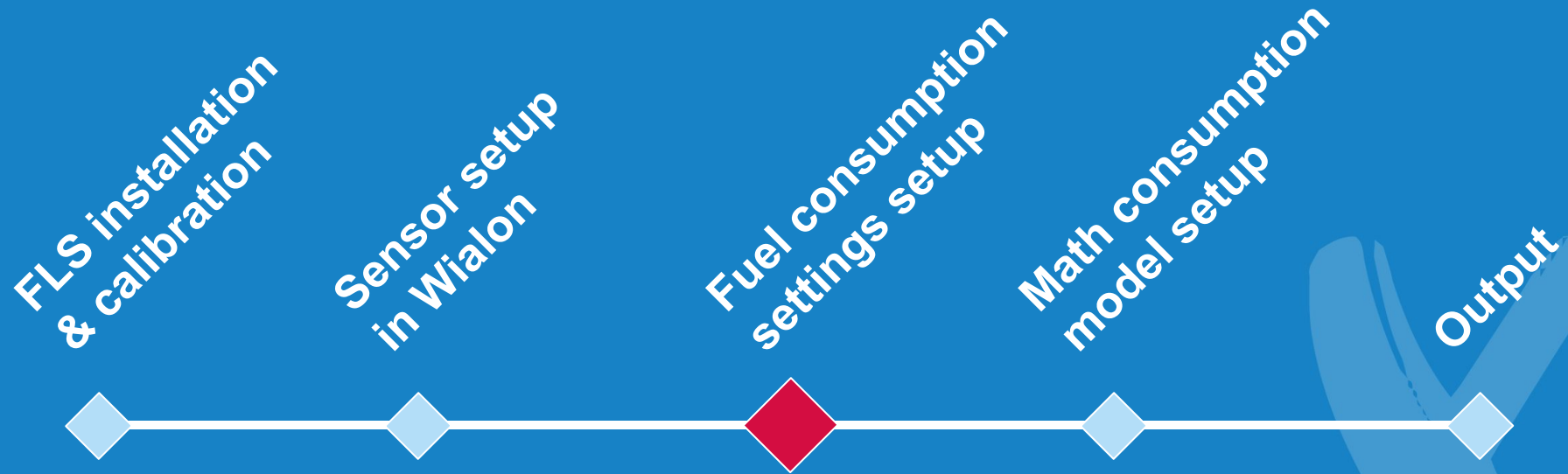
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The fact of filling/theft will be detected with filtered data, while volume will be taken from the raw data.



Steps to use FLS



Consumption by rates

New Unit

General Access Icon **Advanced** Sensors Custom Fields Unit Groups Commands Eco Driving

Profile Trip Detection Fuel Consumption Service Intervals

Parameters used in reports

Consumption by rates, l/100km: 7

Seasonal consumption: ☒

Consumption, l/100km: 8

From: 15 November

To: 10 March

Urban speed limit, km/h: 60

Maximum interval between messages, seconds: 0

Daily engine hours rate, hours: 0

Mileage coefficient: 1

Speeding

Speeding detection: None

Driver activity

Driver activity source: None

Unit label color

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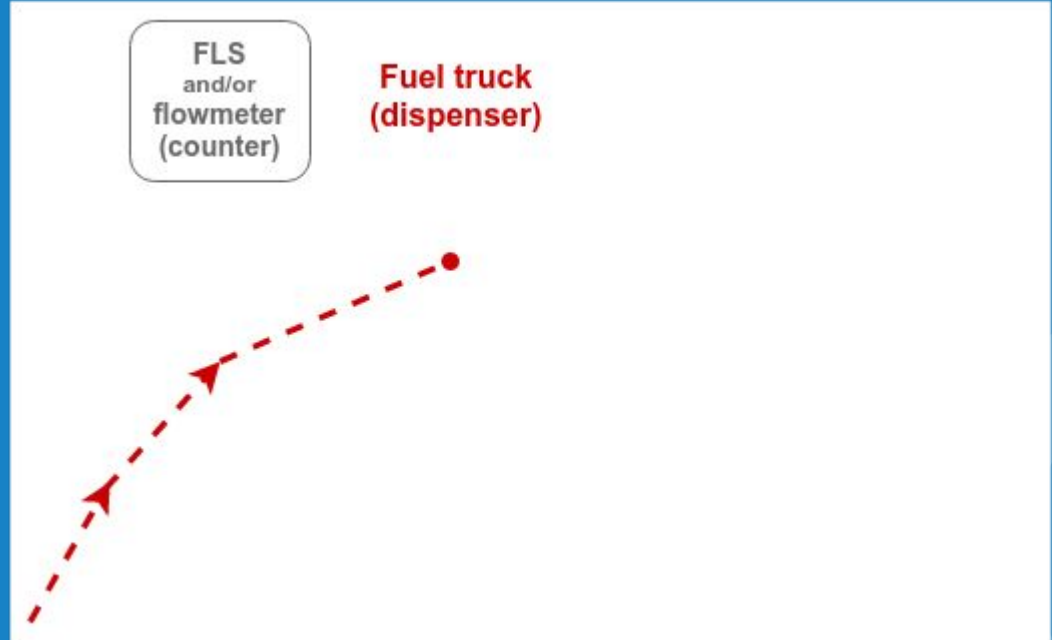
I have mentioned possibility to take account of fuel with no sensors.

And the easiest way to do it is to use rates on the tab “Advanced”. Rate will be multiplied with mileage to calculate consumption.

We have added seasonal rate to it, so you can have 2 different rates depending on season.

Fuel traffic

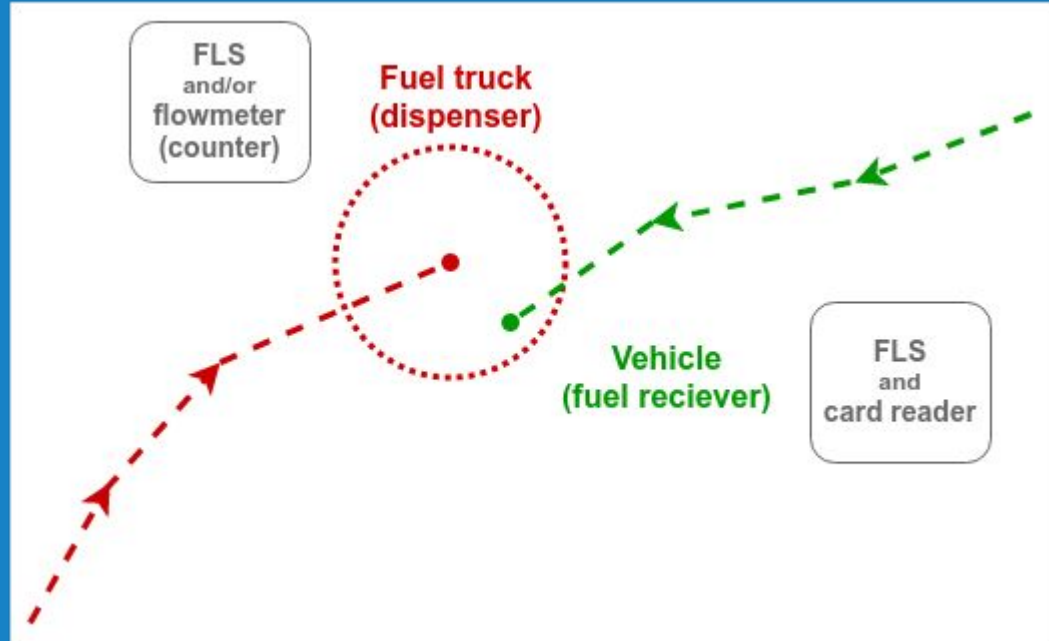
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You can add a filter by units for it. In such a case system can look for filling of units nearby. As a result in one table line you'll see the volume of fuel dispensed and received, as well as the difference and driver name.





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