

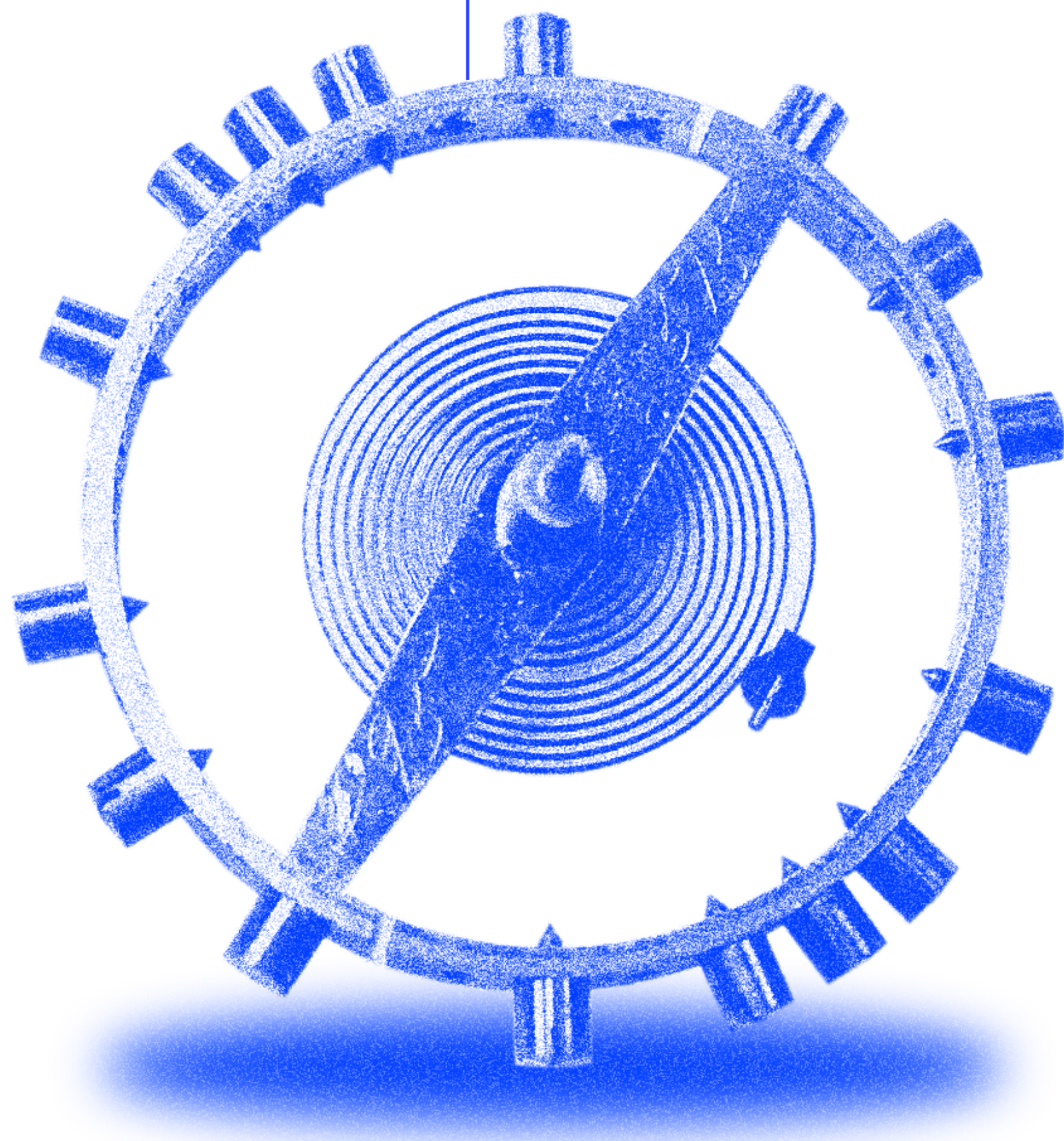
What if clocks and watches ran on local river time?

Previously...

... a clock was regulated by the beat of a pendulum, and a watch kept time with the swing of a balance wheel. The goal was accuracy independent of external conditions, improved when mechanical clockwork was replaced with quartz oscillators.

In the future...

... the flow of time could be based on the flow of rivers. Clocks and watches might be calibrated by the speed of a waterwheel, fluctuating with the seasons and years. Or river conditions might be accepted as ground truth, and quartz and clockwork seen as erratic.



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