

CALCULUS

Graphing problems

A. Symmetry

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B. Intervals of Positivity or Negativity, and

- (i) domain
- (ii) x, y -intercepts
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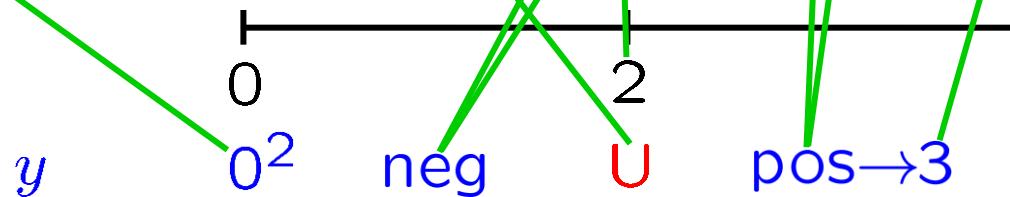
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$$y = \frac{3x^2}{x^2 - 4} = \frac{3x^2}{(x + 2)(x - 2)}$$



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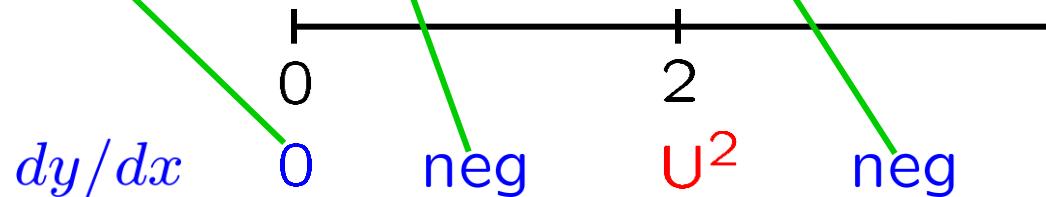
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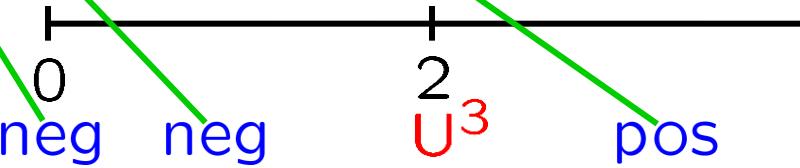
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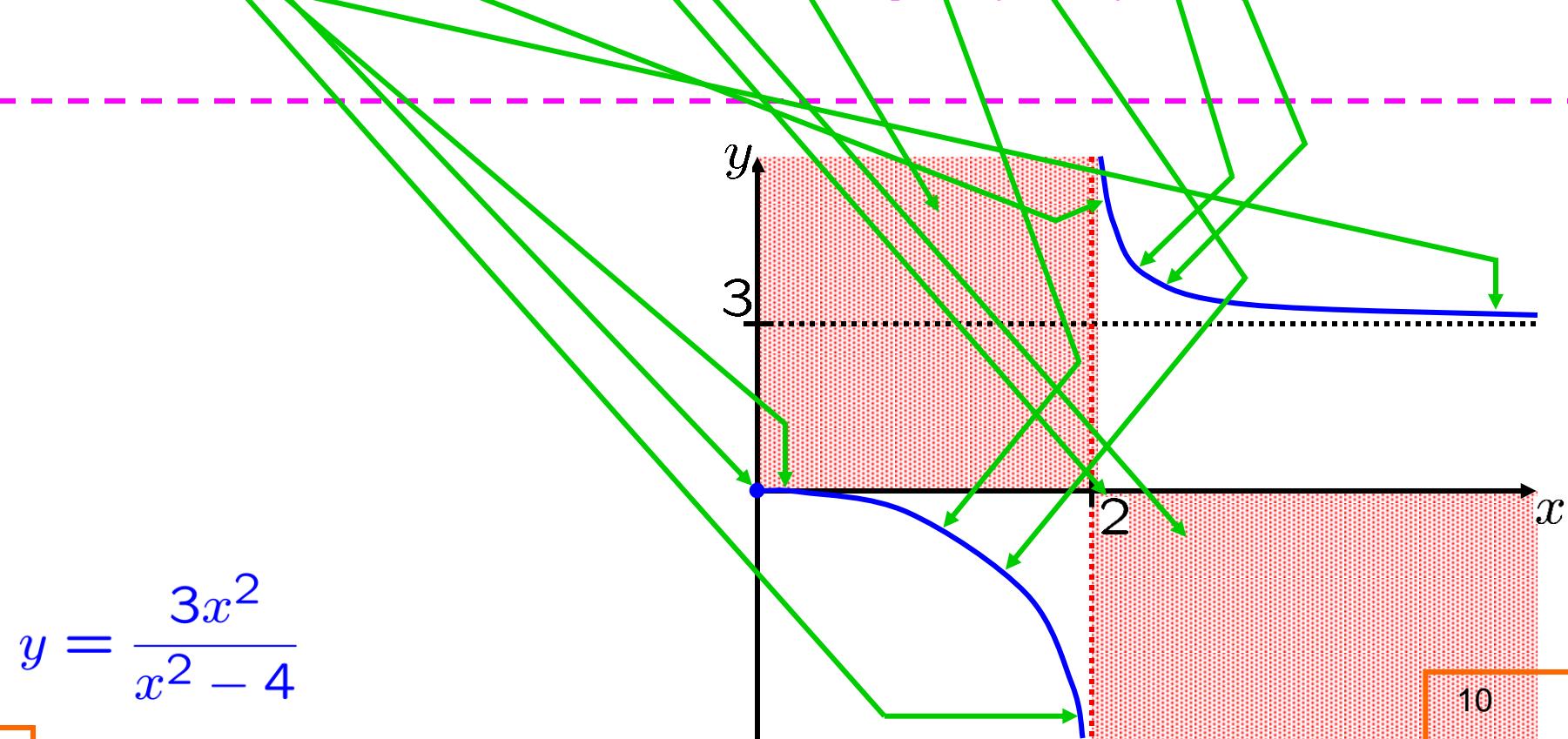
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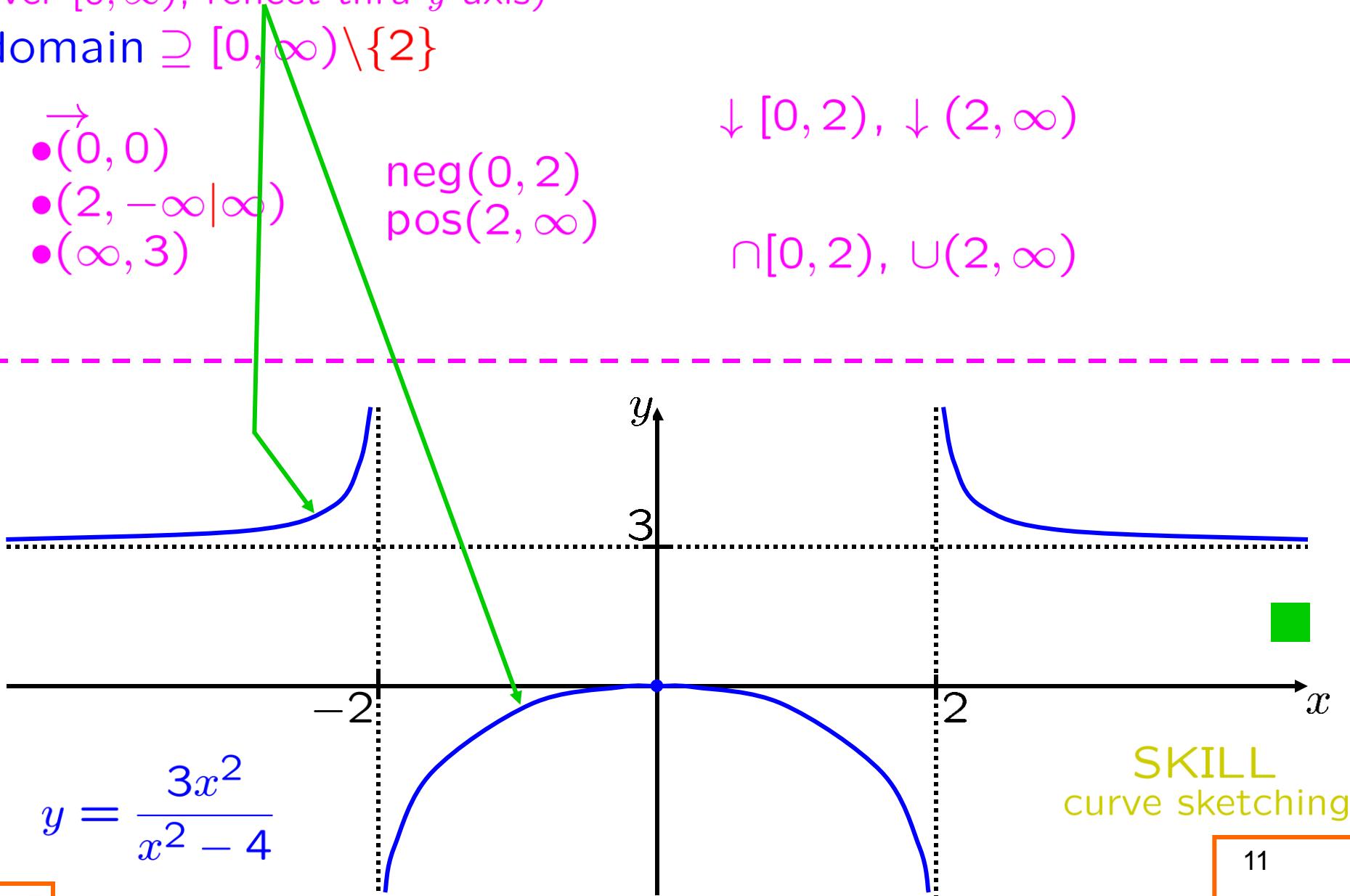
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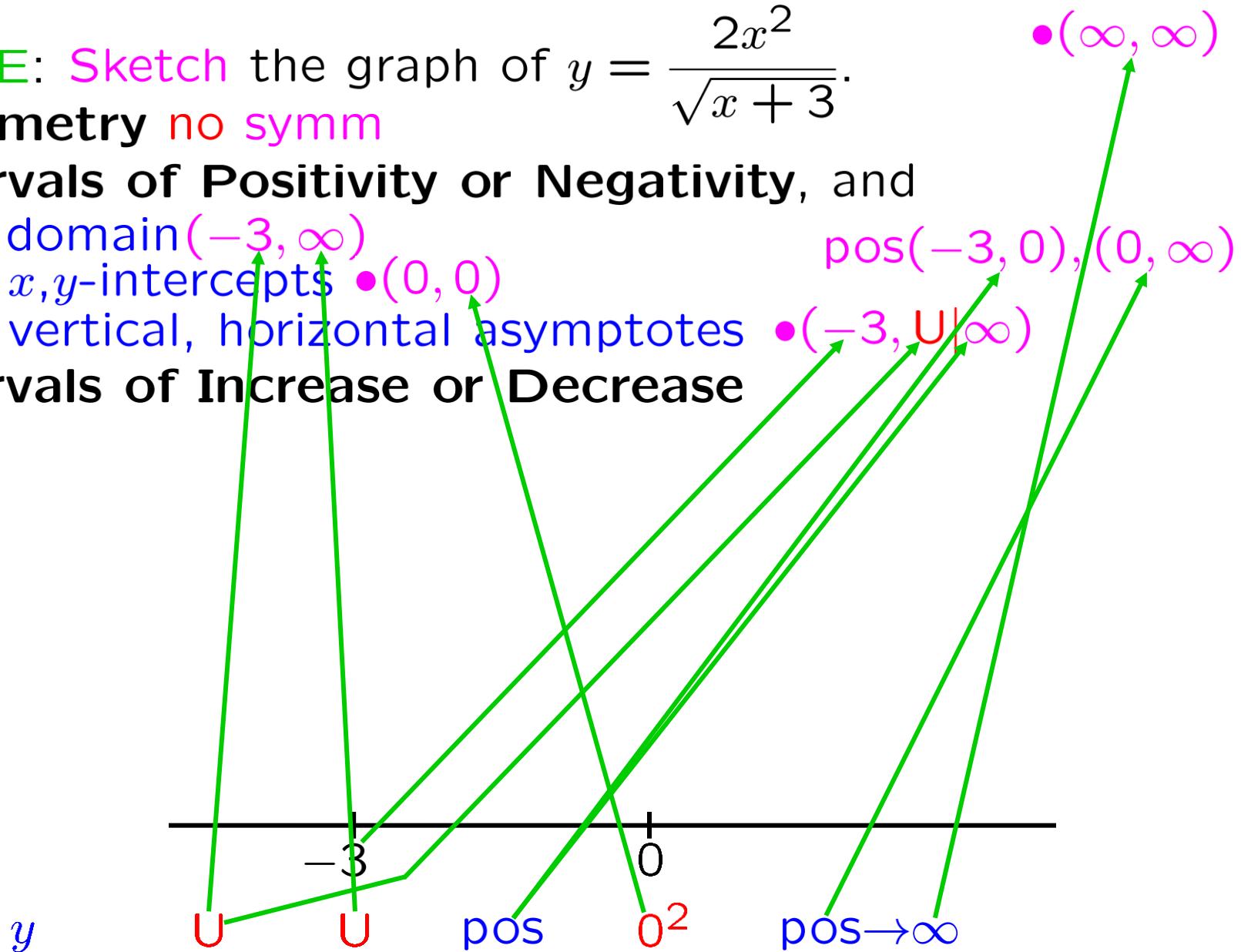
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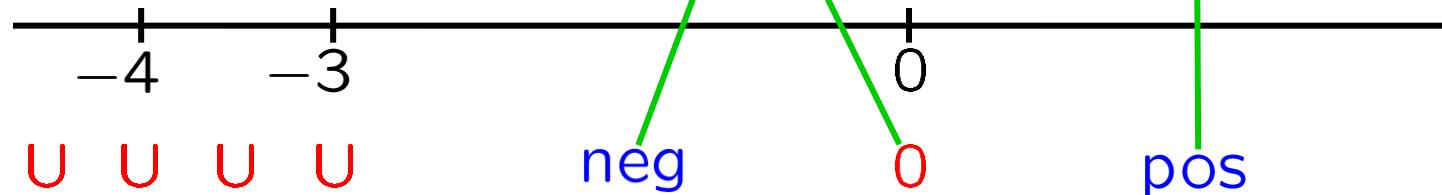
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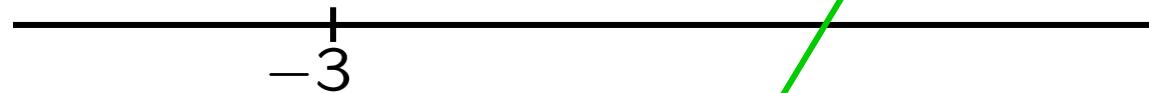
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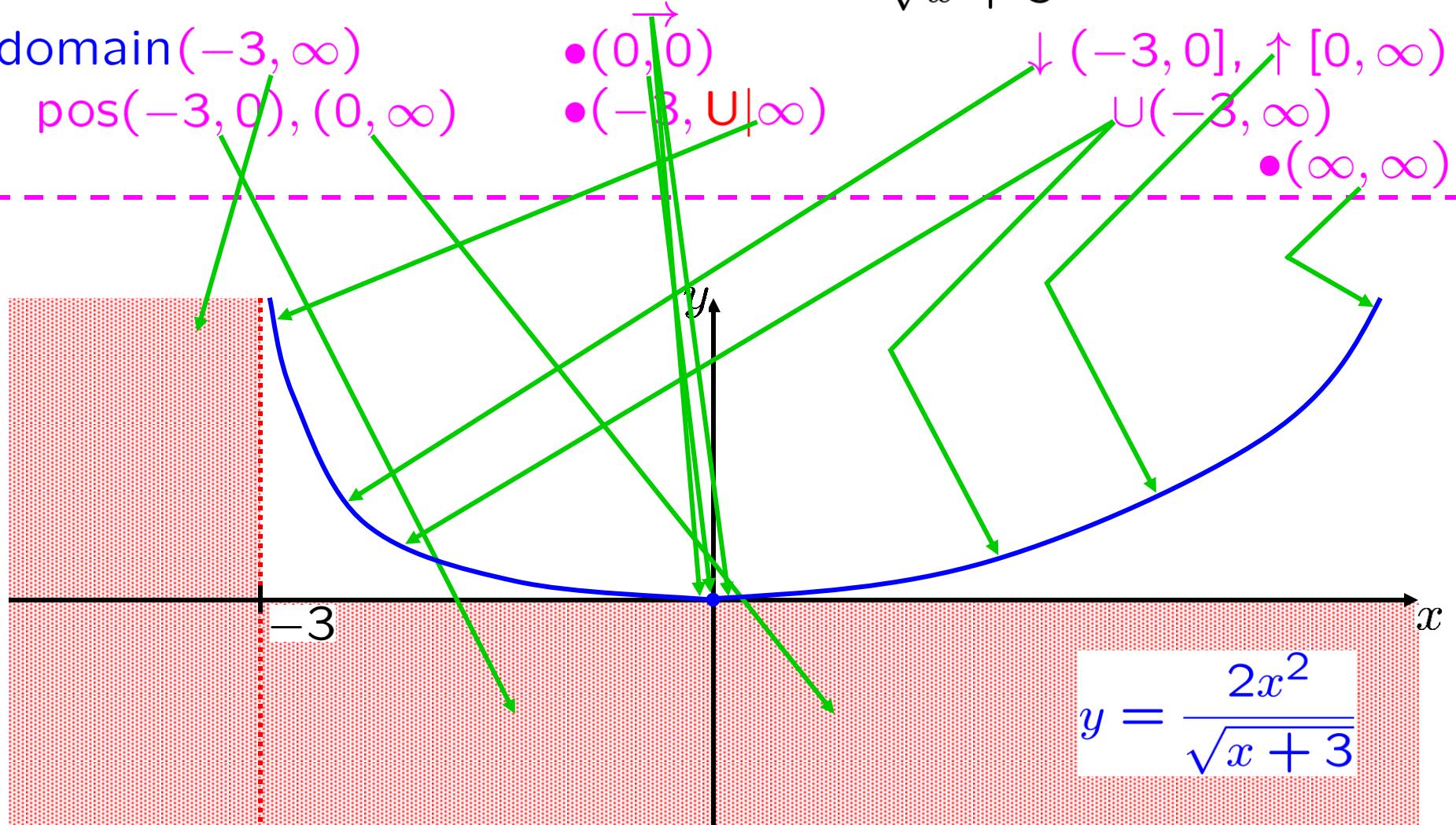
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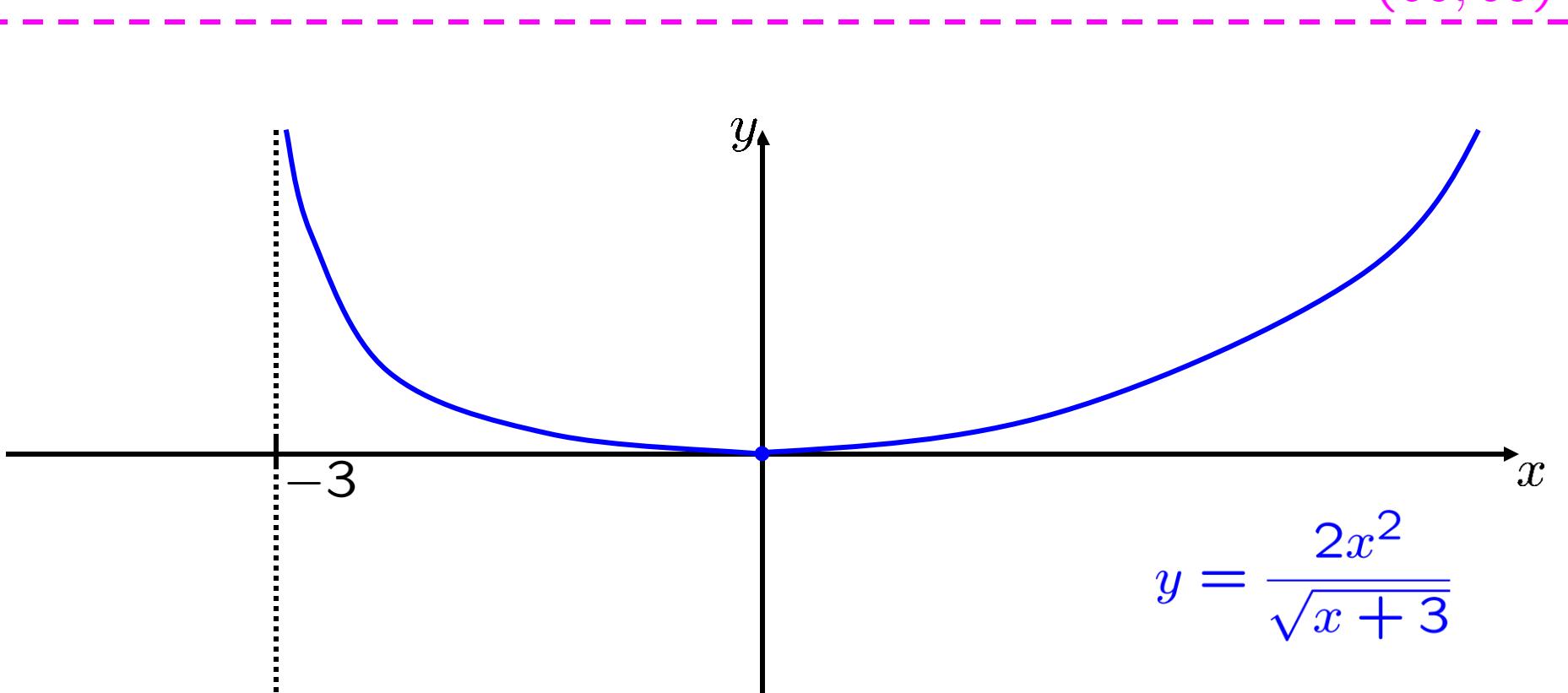
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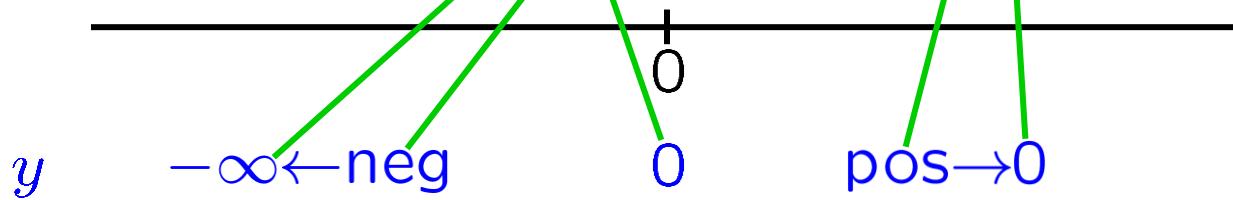
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$\bullet(1, 1/e)$

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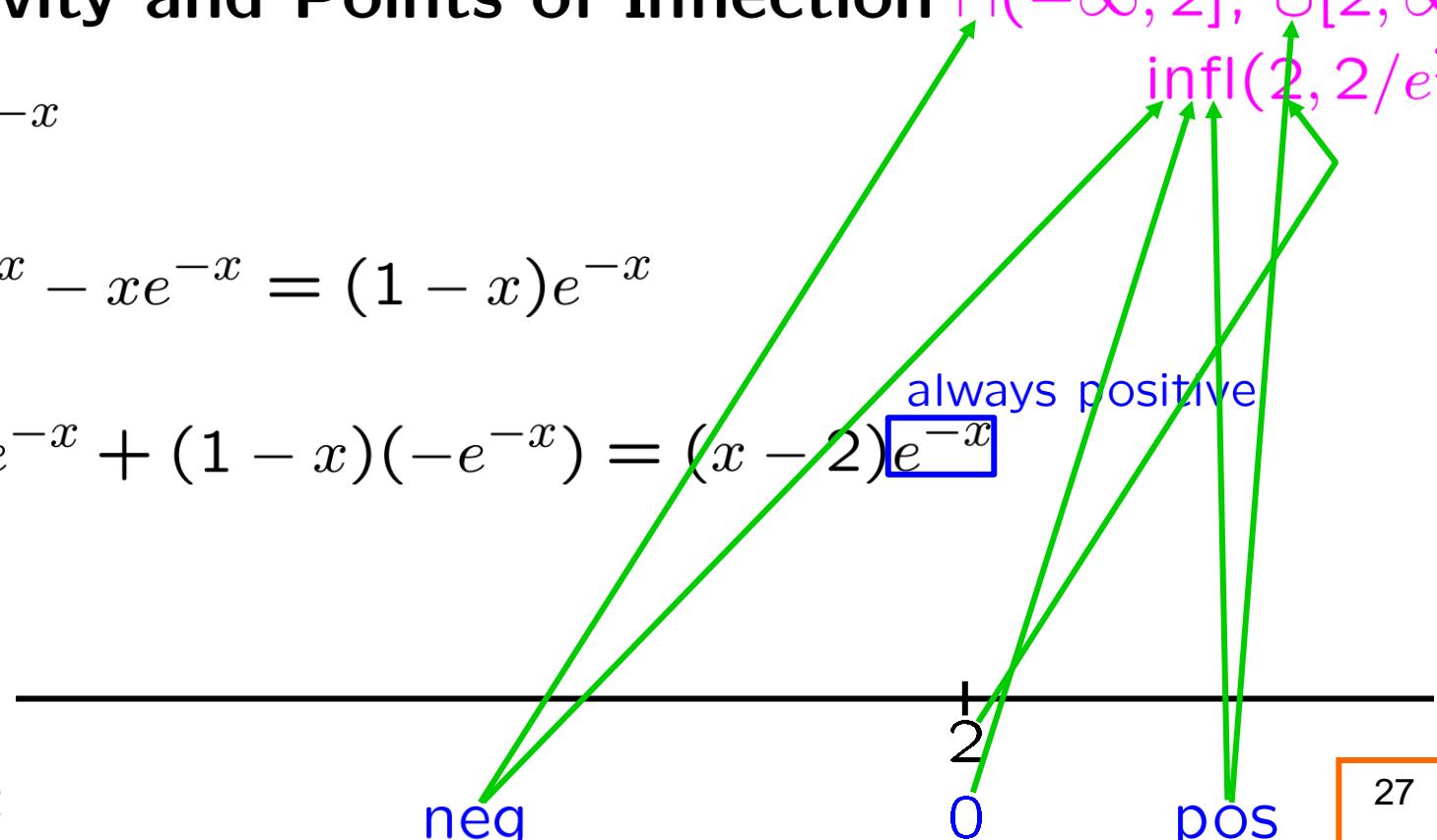
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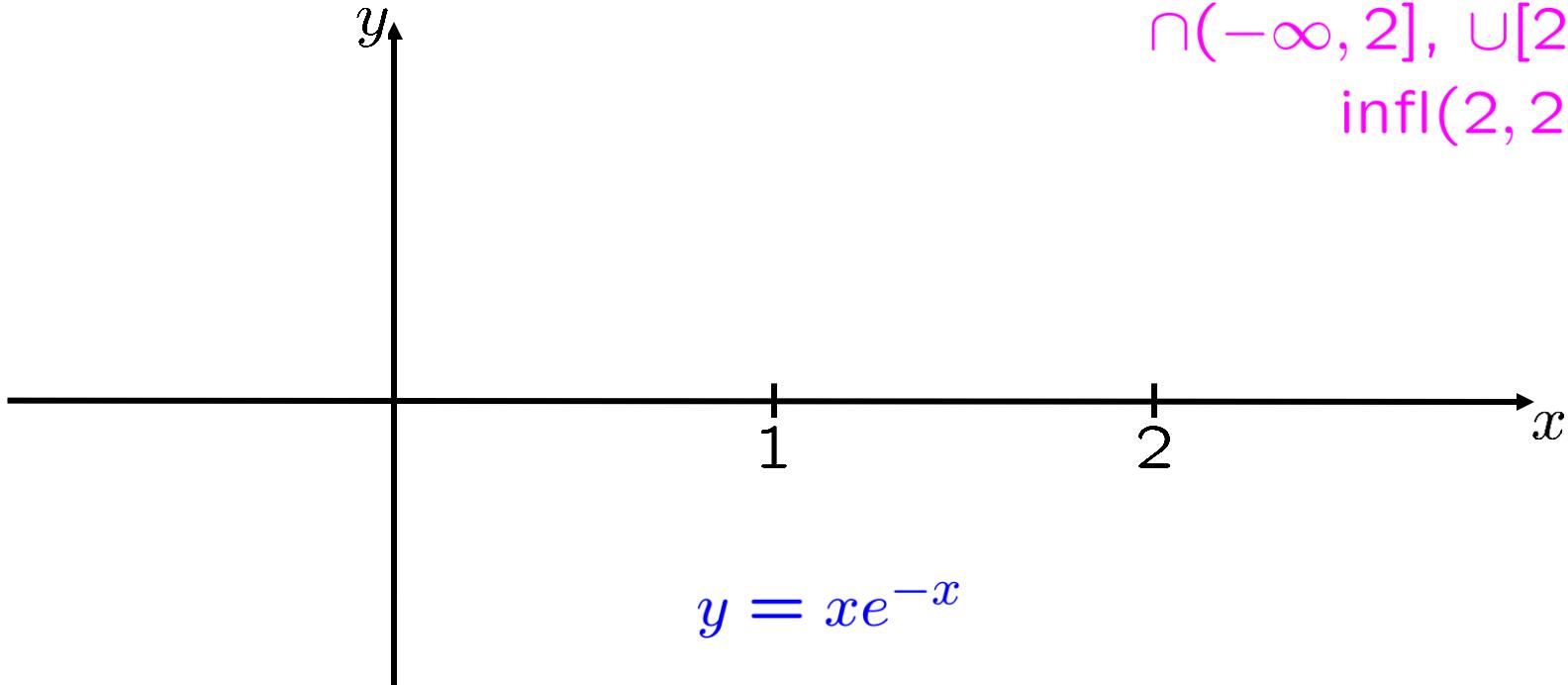
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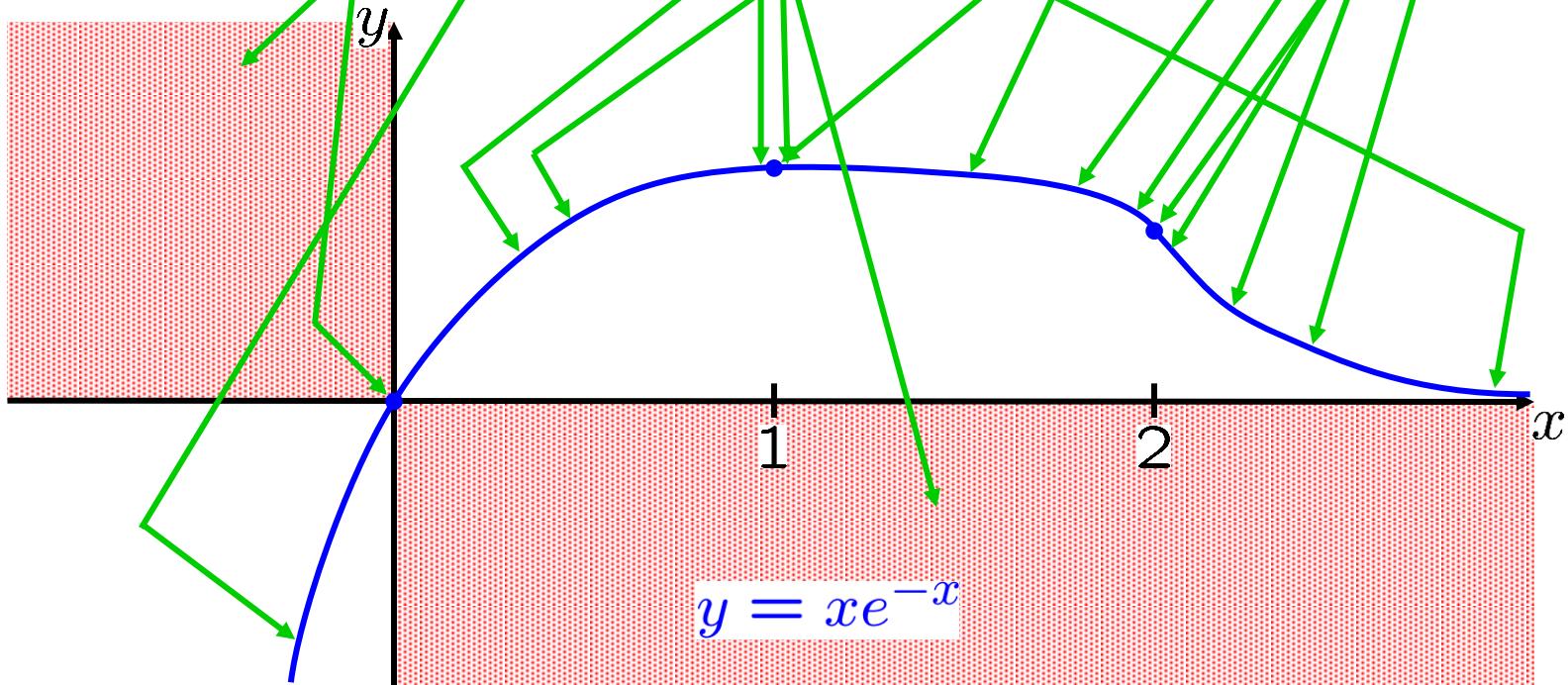
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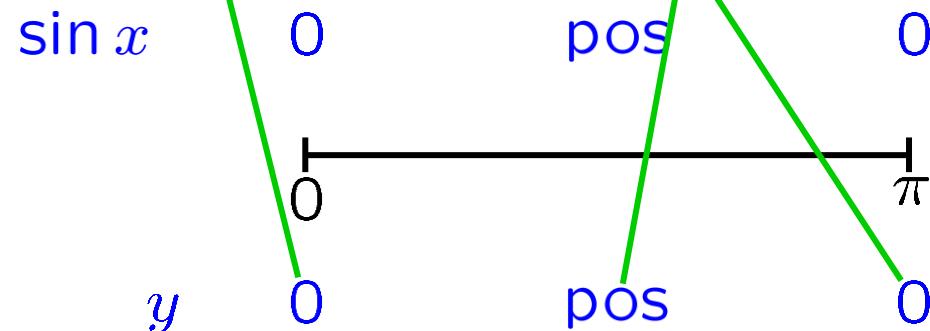
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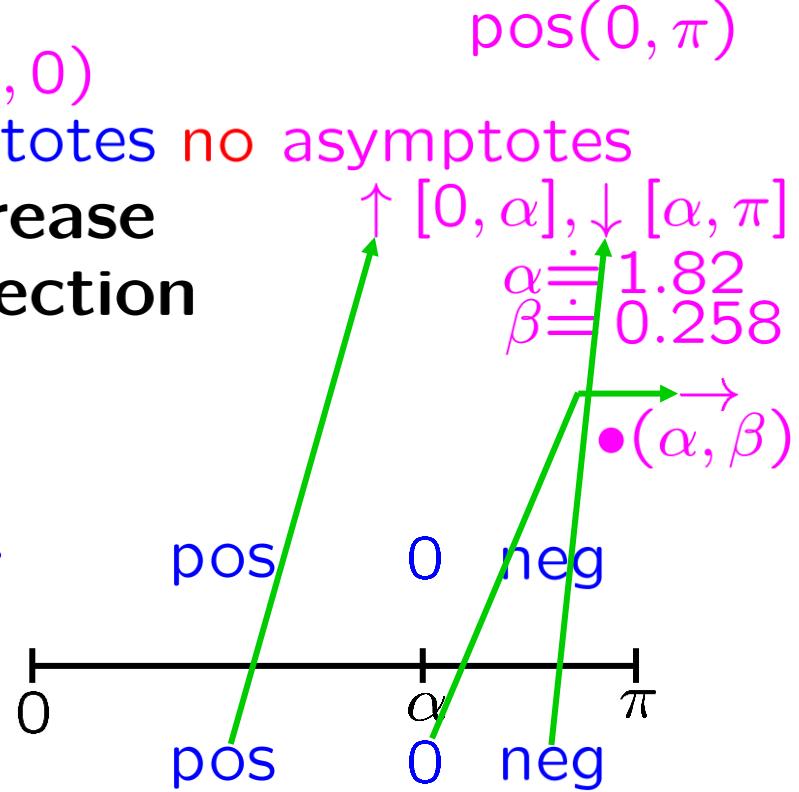
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1 + 4 \cos x}{[4 + \cos x]^2} \quad \begin{matrix} -1, \text{ for } x \rightarrow \pi \\ 1, \text{ for } x \rightarrow 0 \end{matrix}$$

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$$\beta := \frac{\sin \alpha}{4 + \cos \alpha} \doteq 0.258$$

$$1 + 4 \cos x$$

$$dy/dx$$



$$1 + 4 \cos x = 0, x \in [0, \pi]$$

\Leftrightarrow

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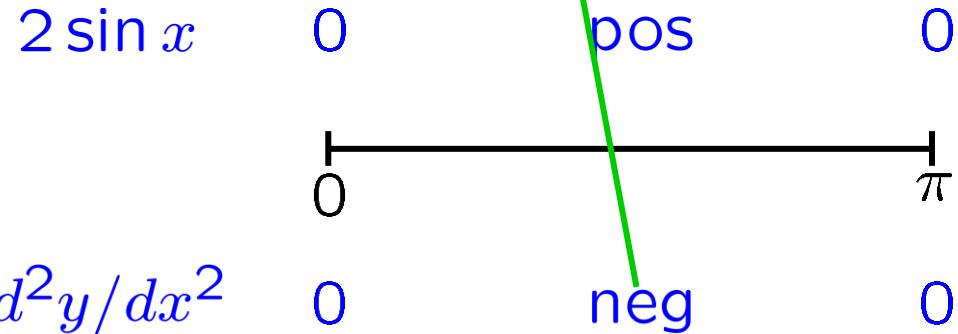
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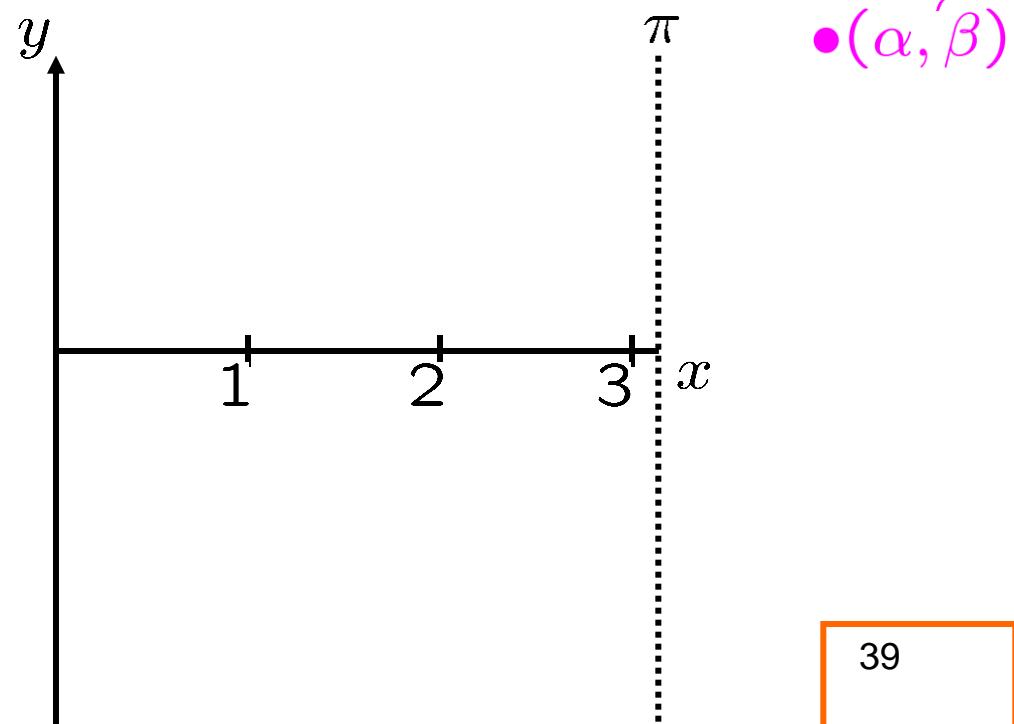
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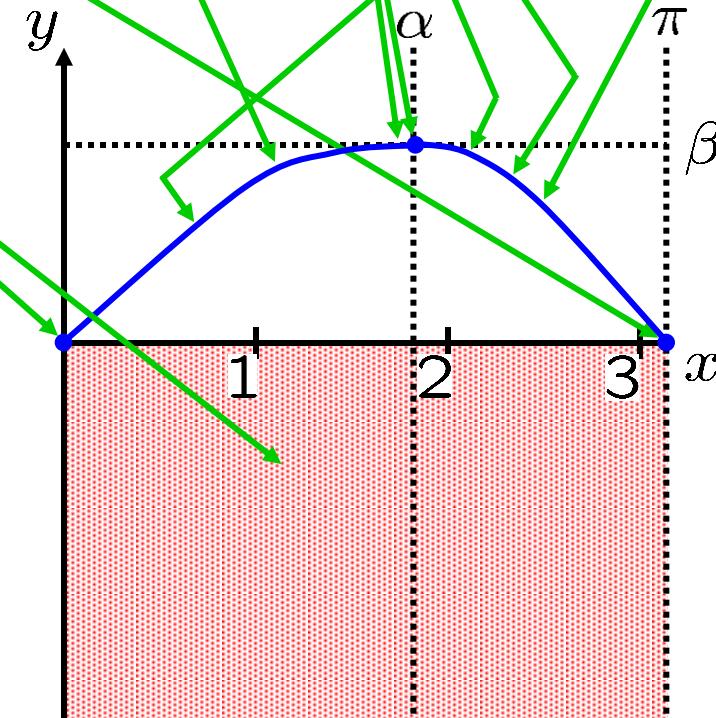
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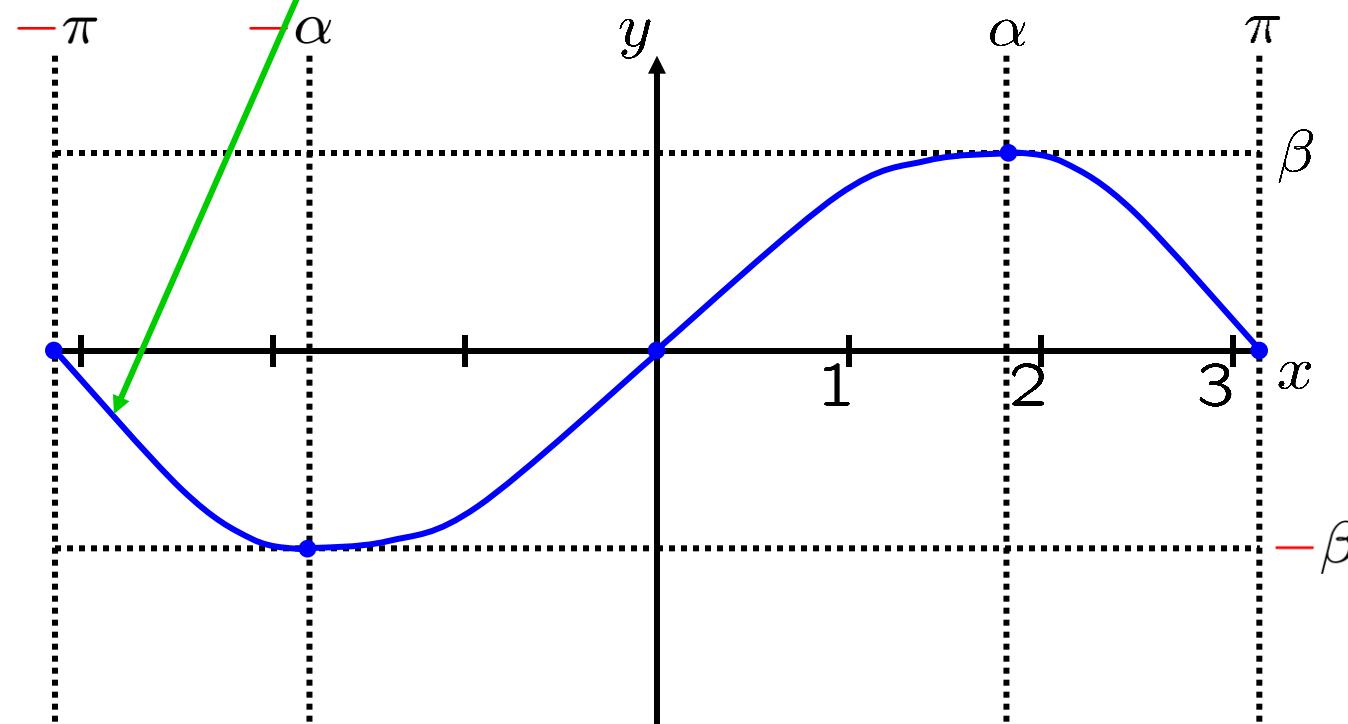
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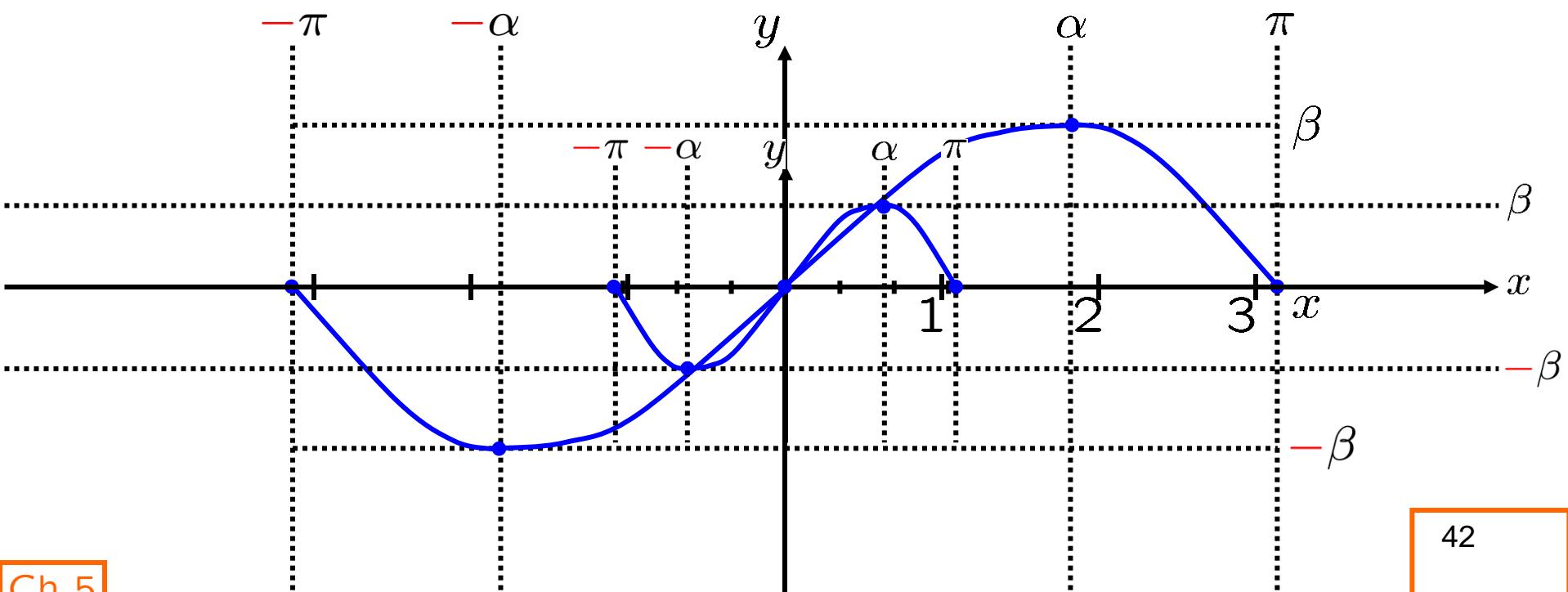
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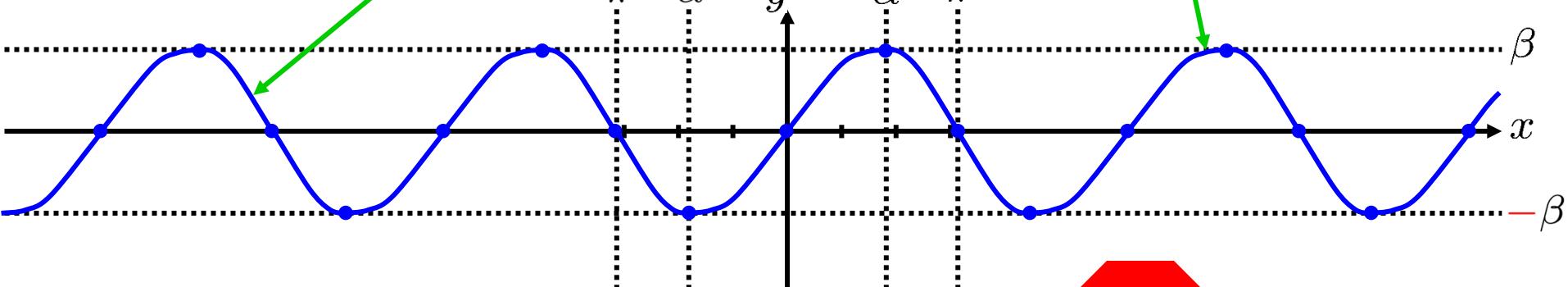
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