

Lecture 8  
Thur. 9.18.2014

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## *Geometry of idealized “Sophomore-physics Earth”*

*Coulomb field outside*

*Isotropic Harmonic Oscillator (IHO) field inside*

*Contact-geometry of potential curve(s)*

*“Crushed-Earth” models: 3 key energy “steps” and 4 key energy “levels”*

*Earth matter vs nuclear matter:*

*Introducing the “neutron starlet” and “**Black-Hole-Earth**”*

## *Introducing 2D IHO orbits and phasor geometry*

*Phasor “clock” geometry*

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$s^4=5.0625$

$s^{-1}=0.667$

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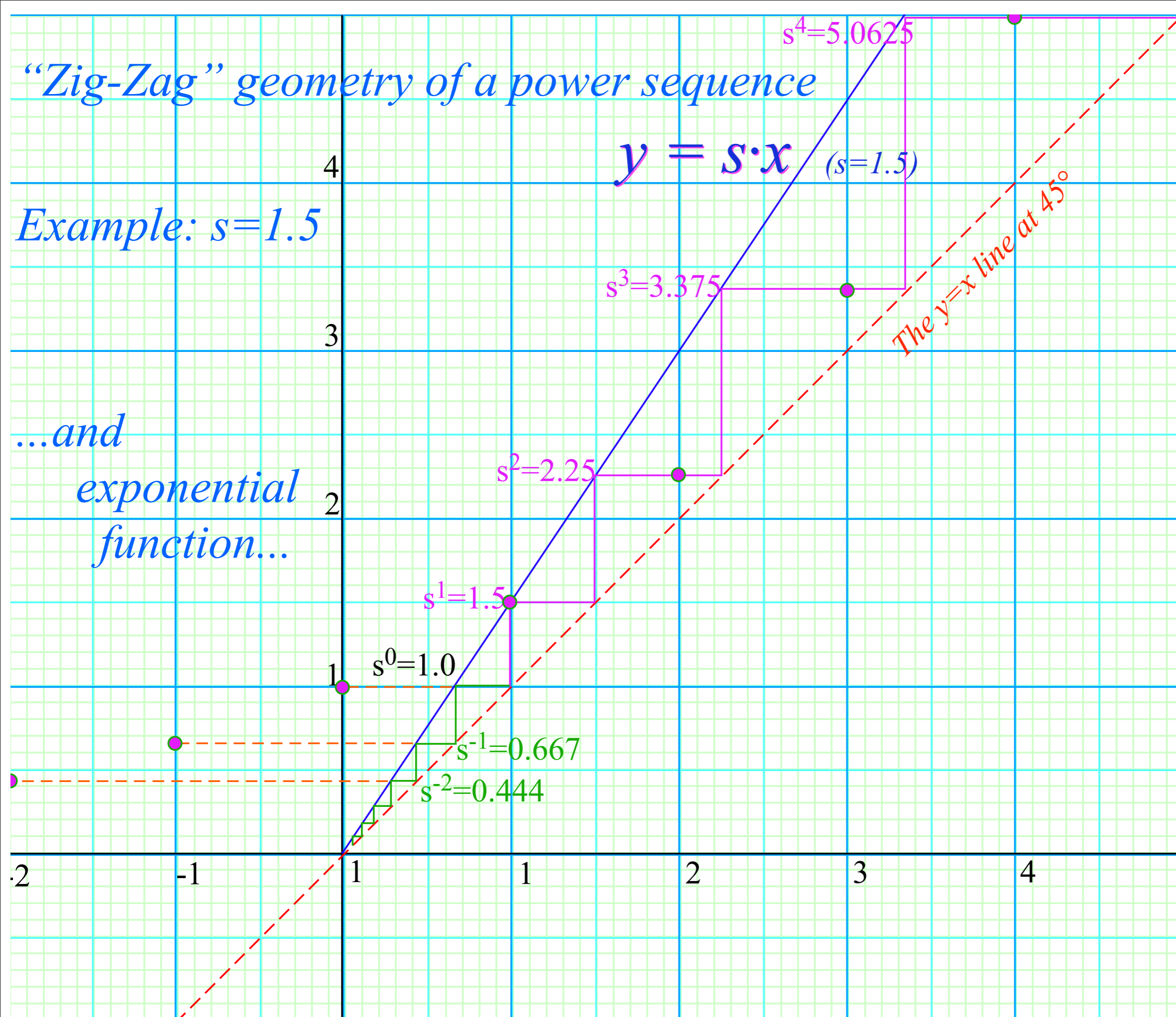
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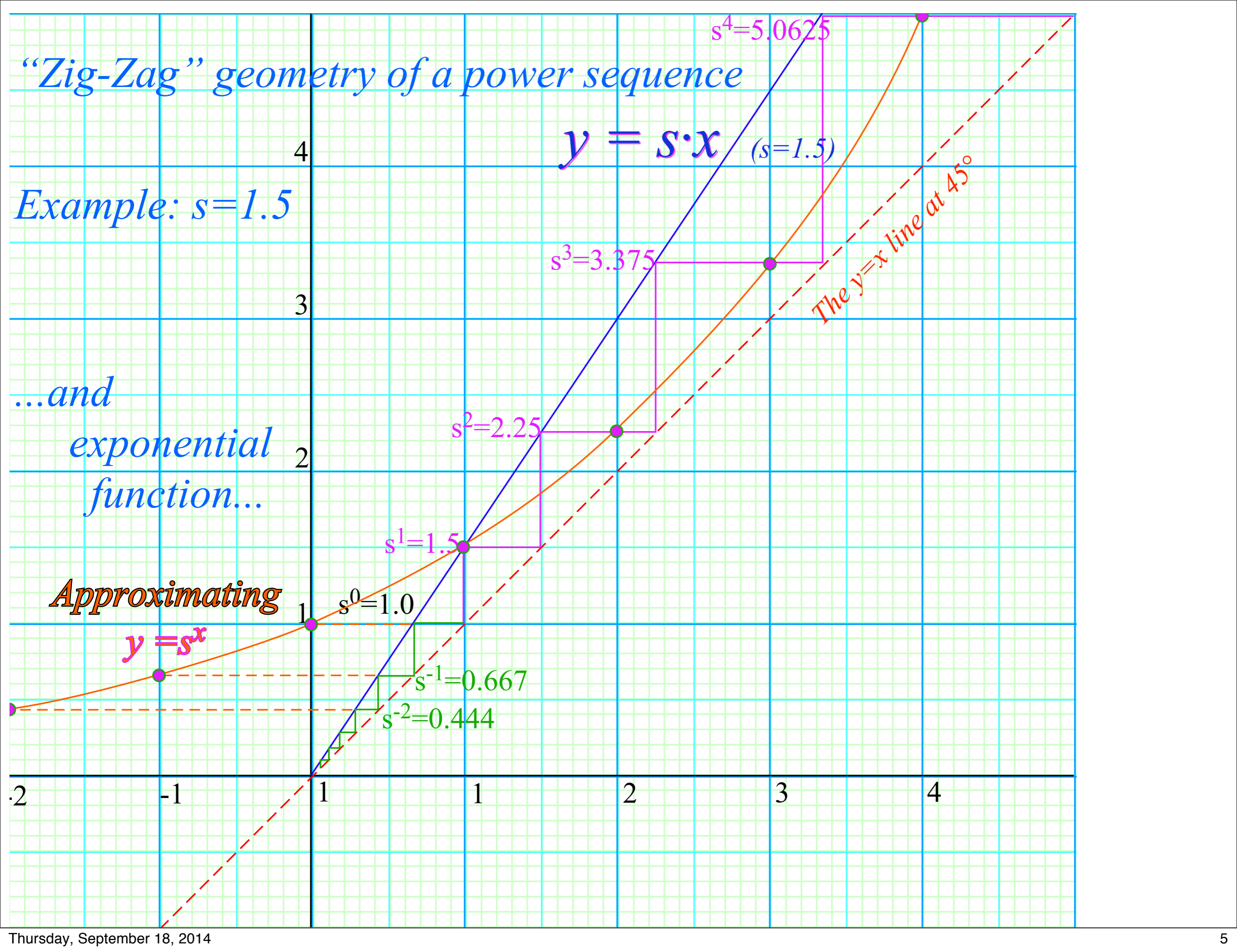
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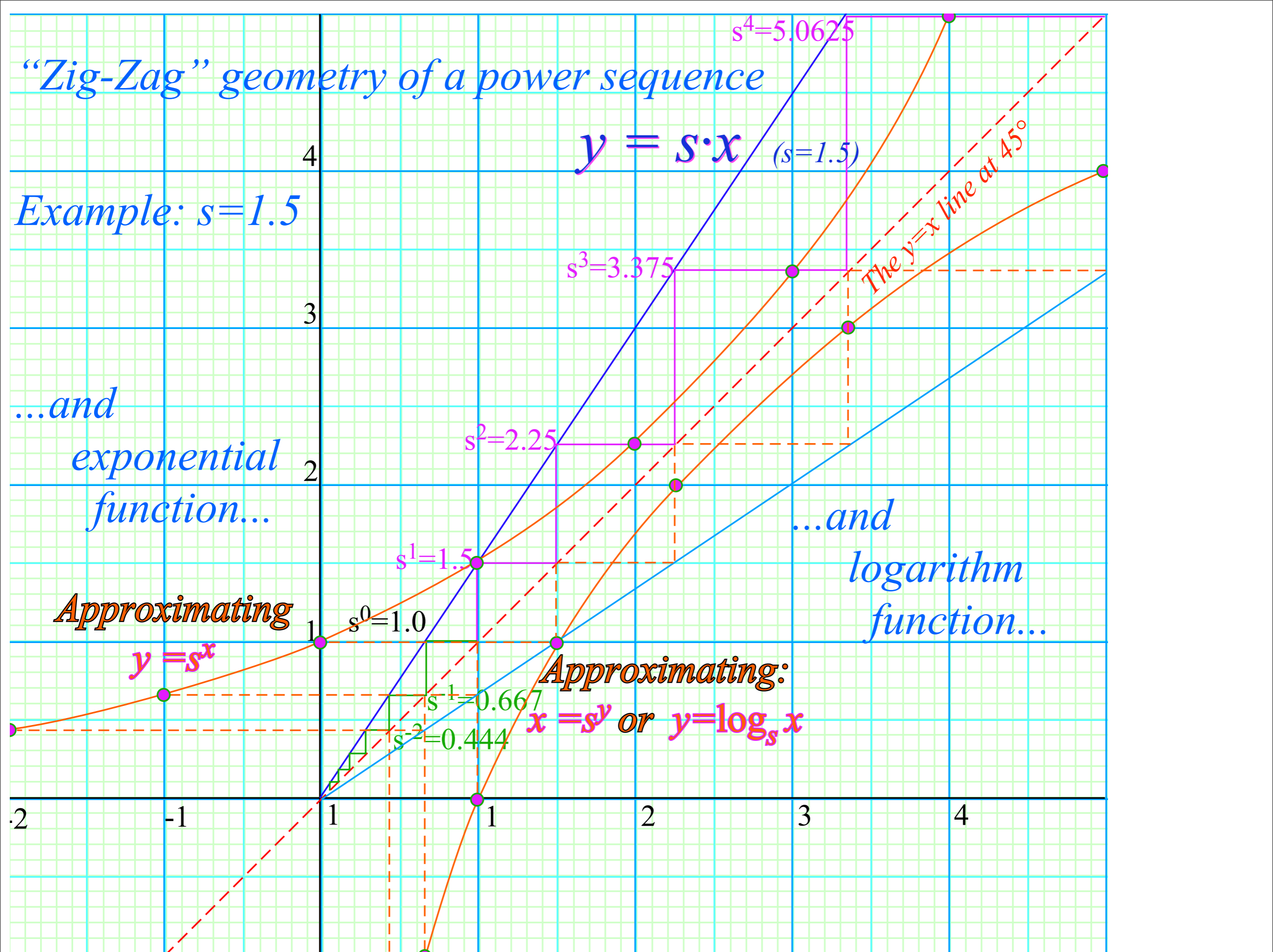
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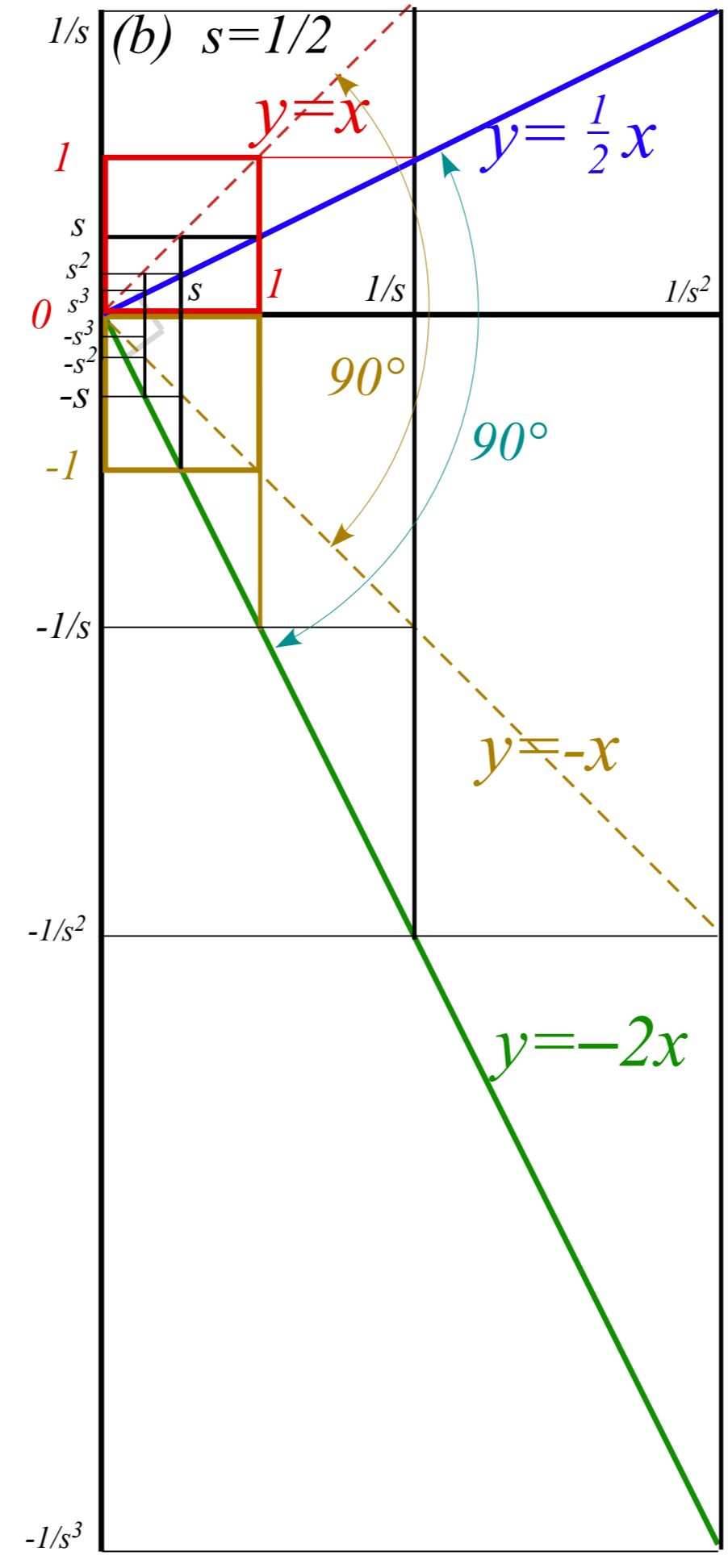
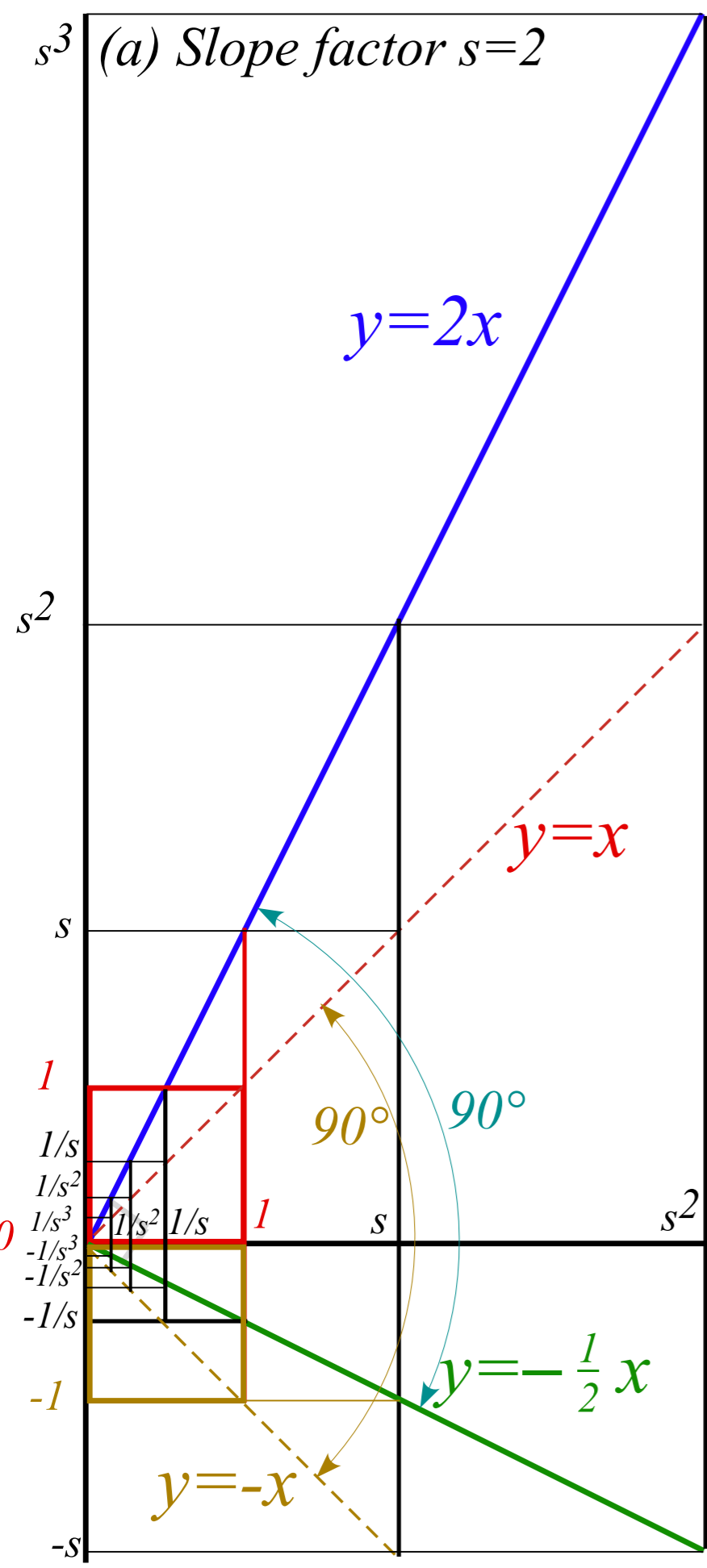


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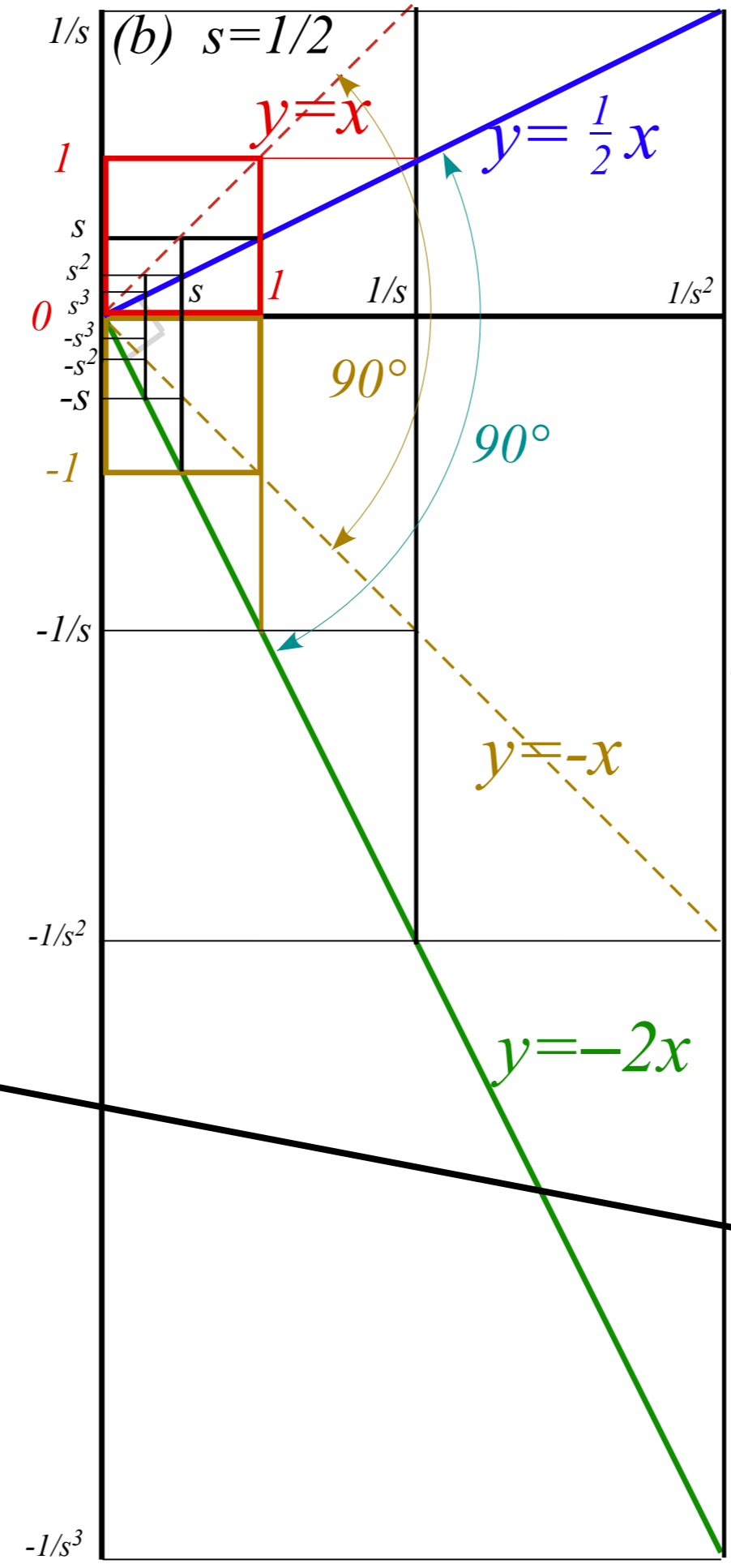
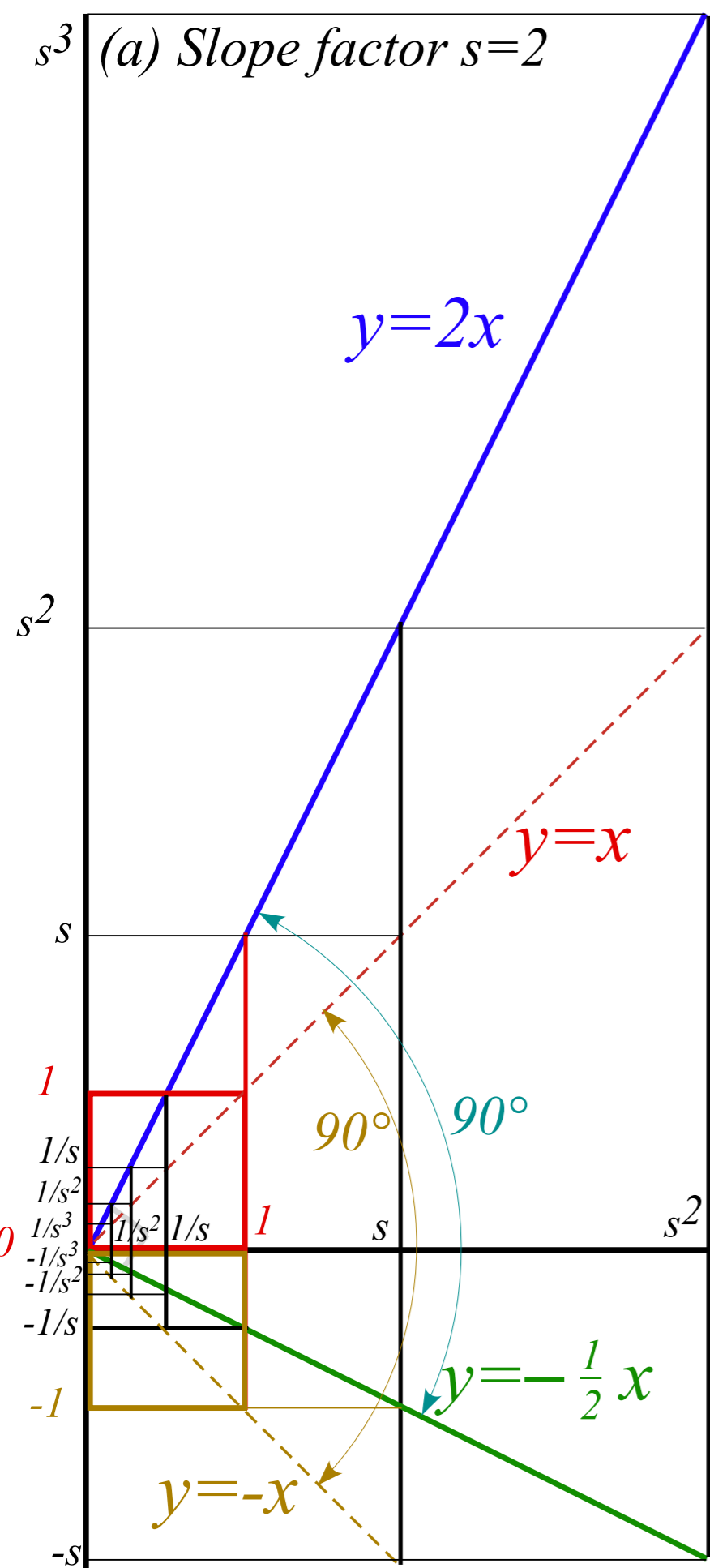
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Fig. 9.2





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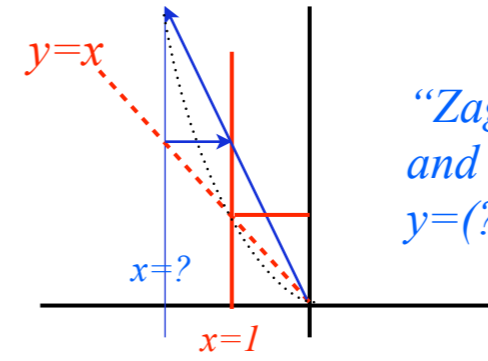
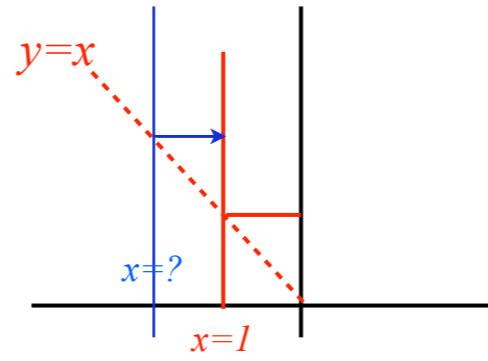
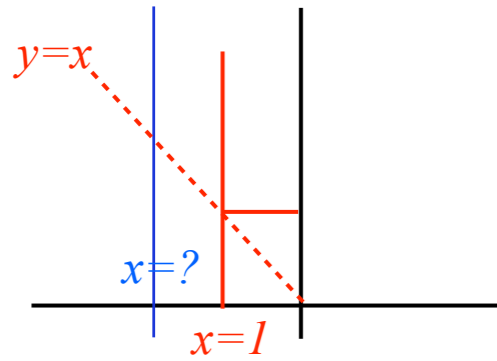
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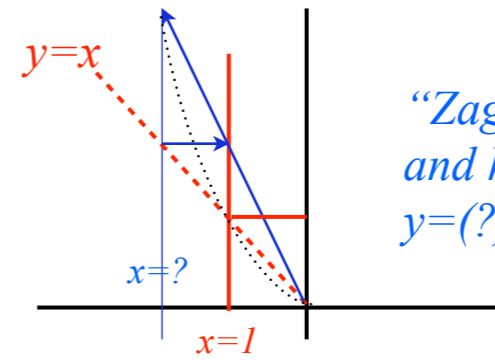
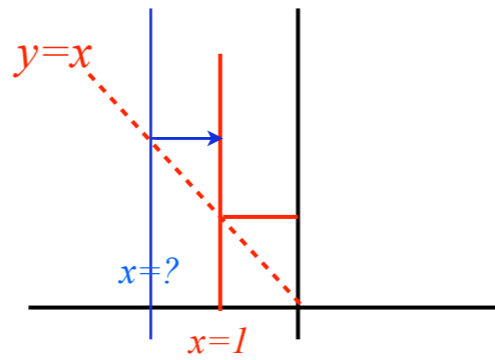
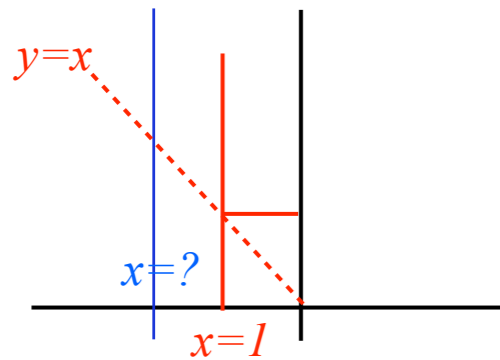
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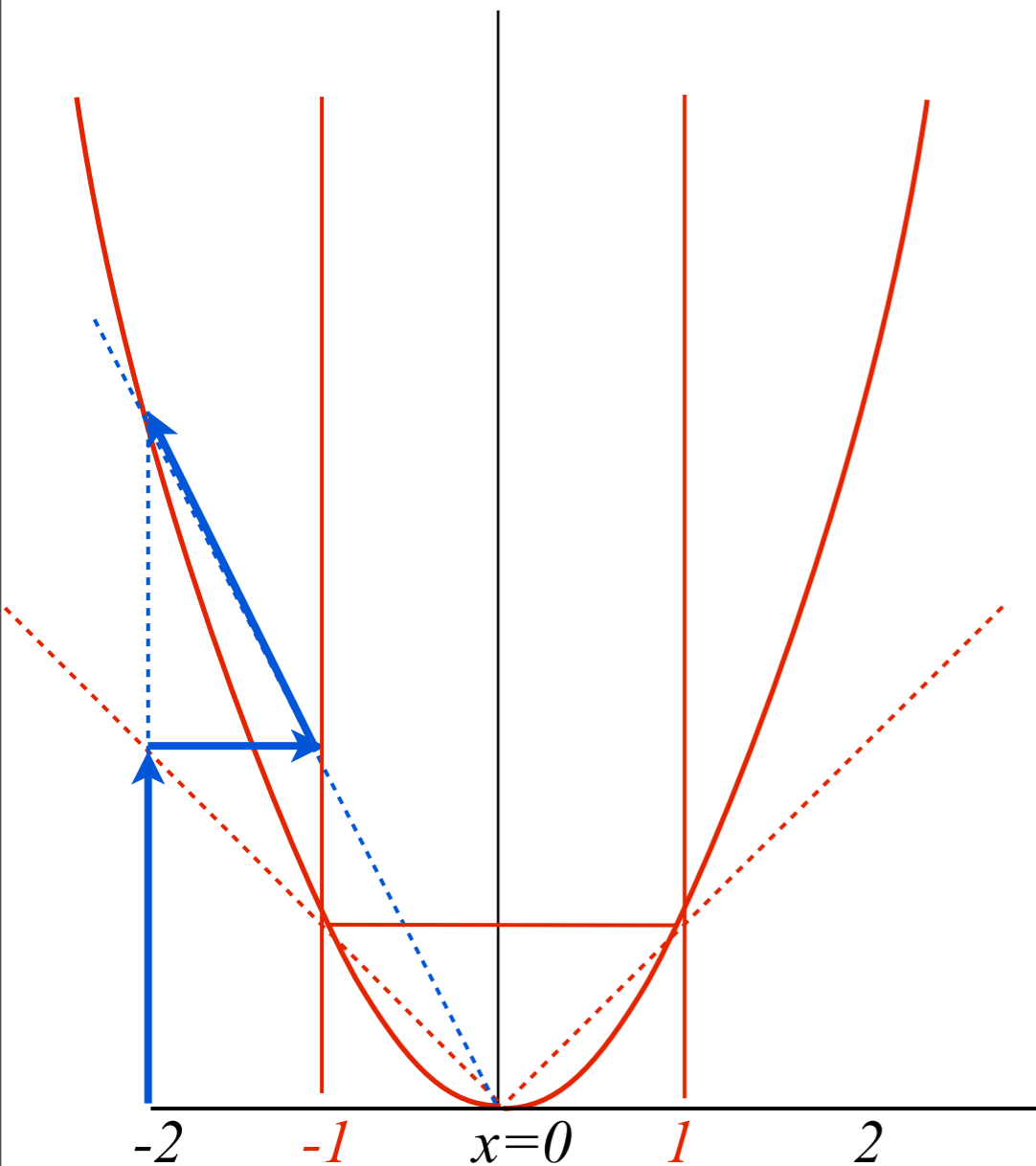
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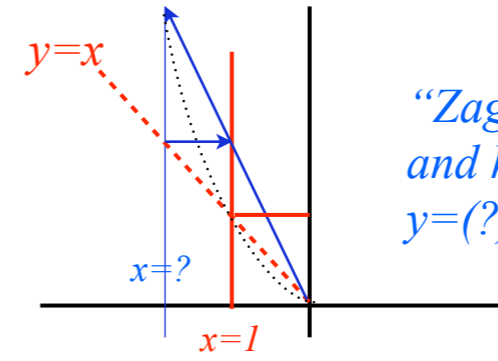
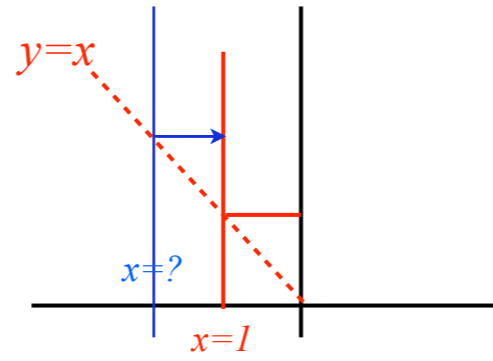
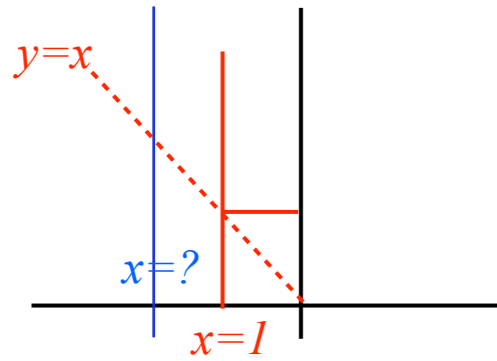
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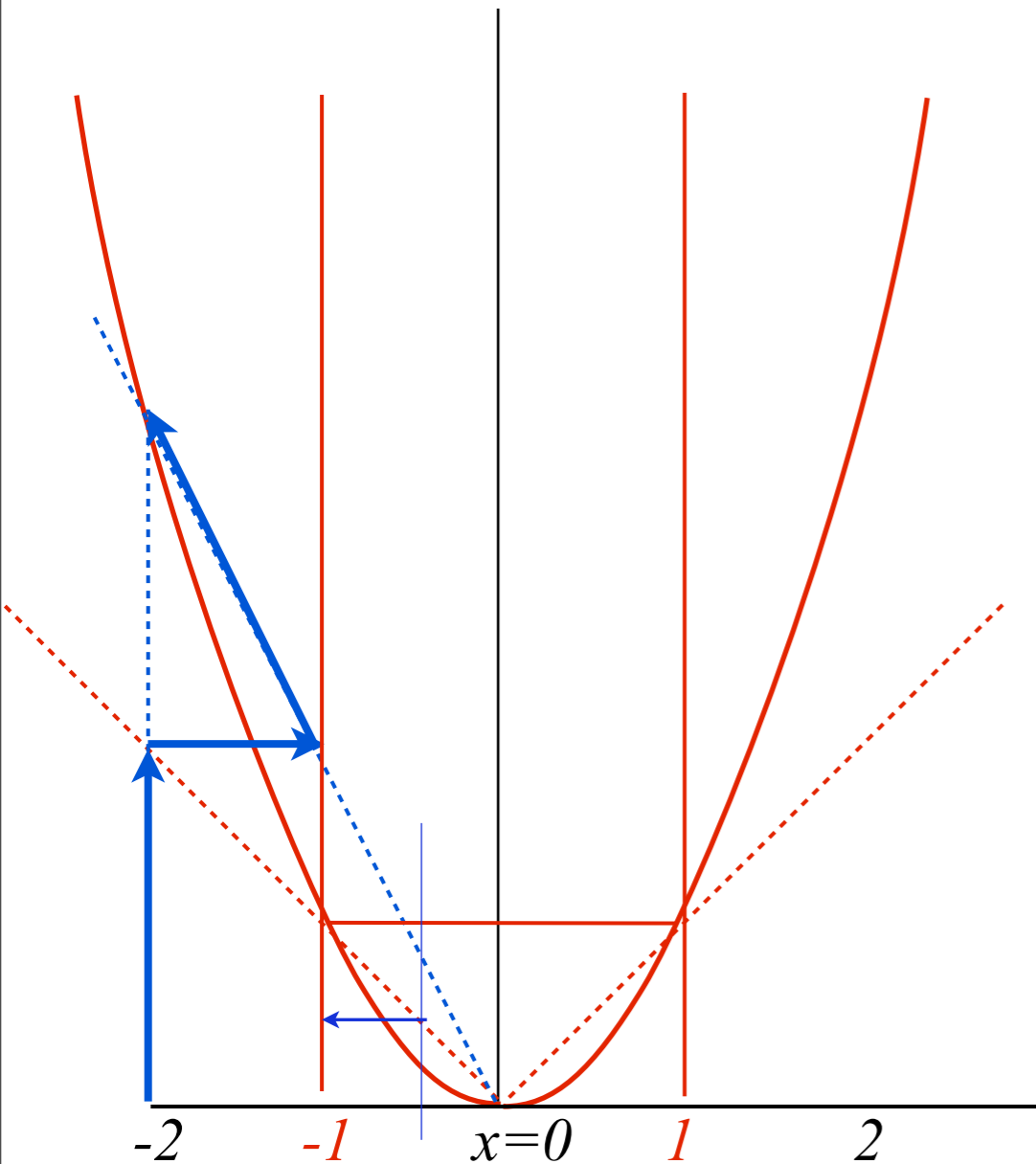
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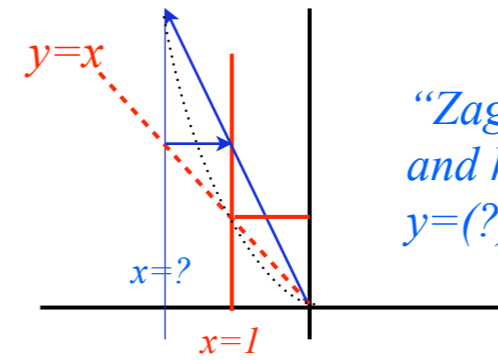
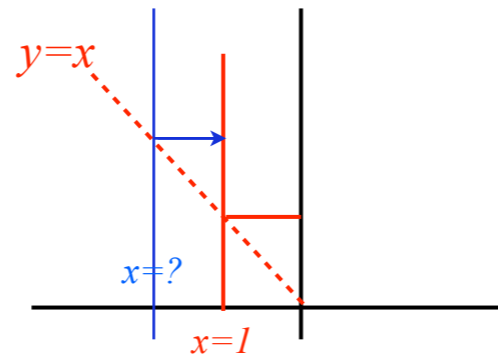
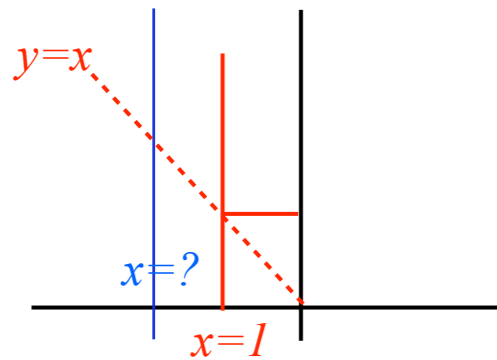
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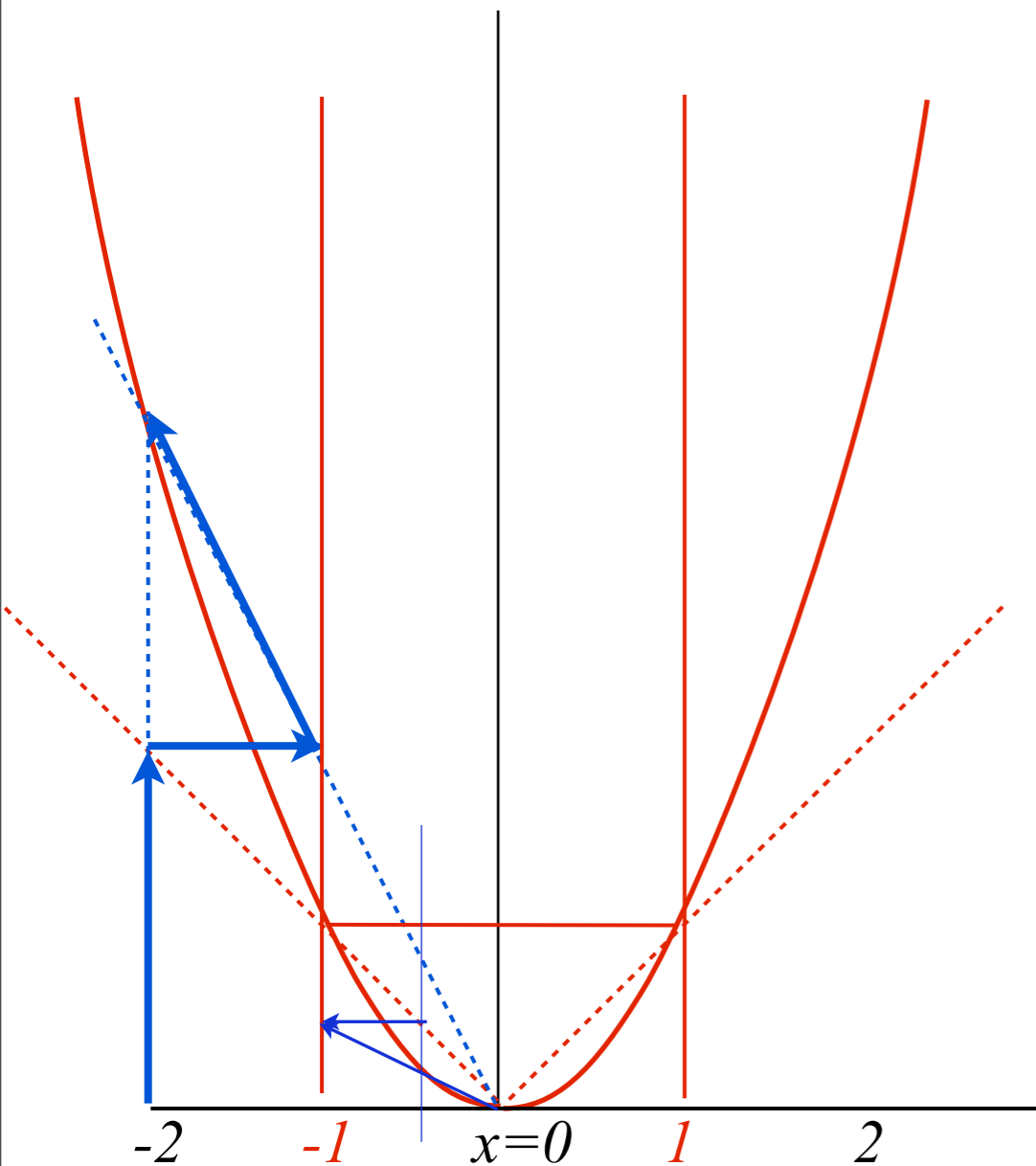
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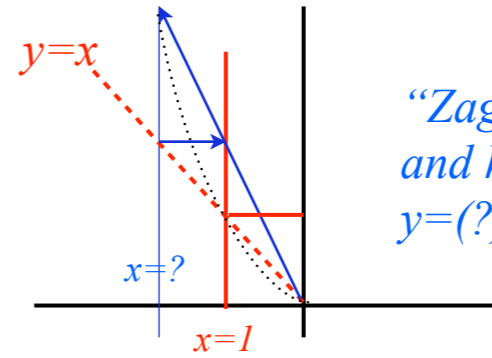
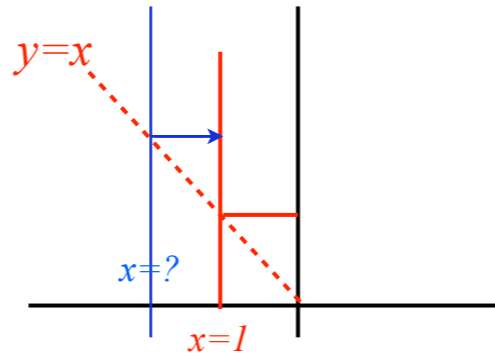
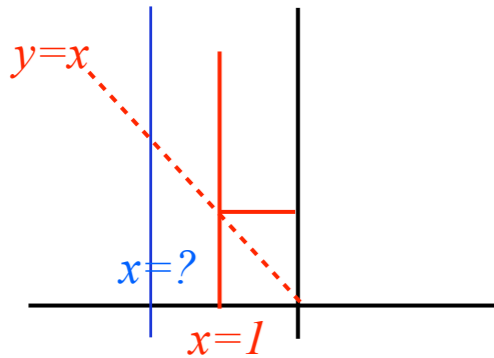
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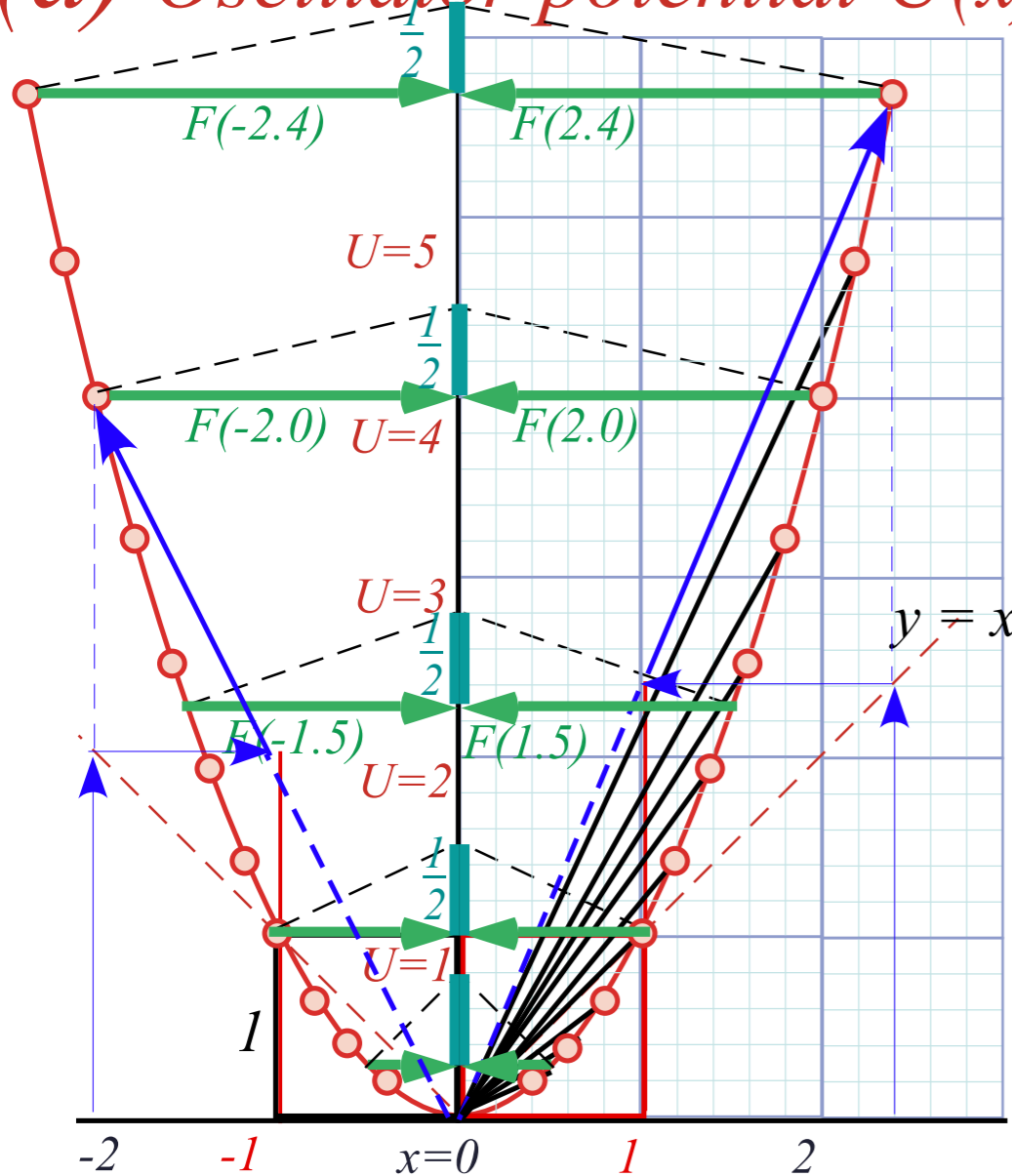
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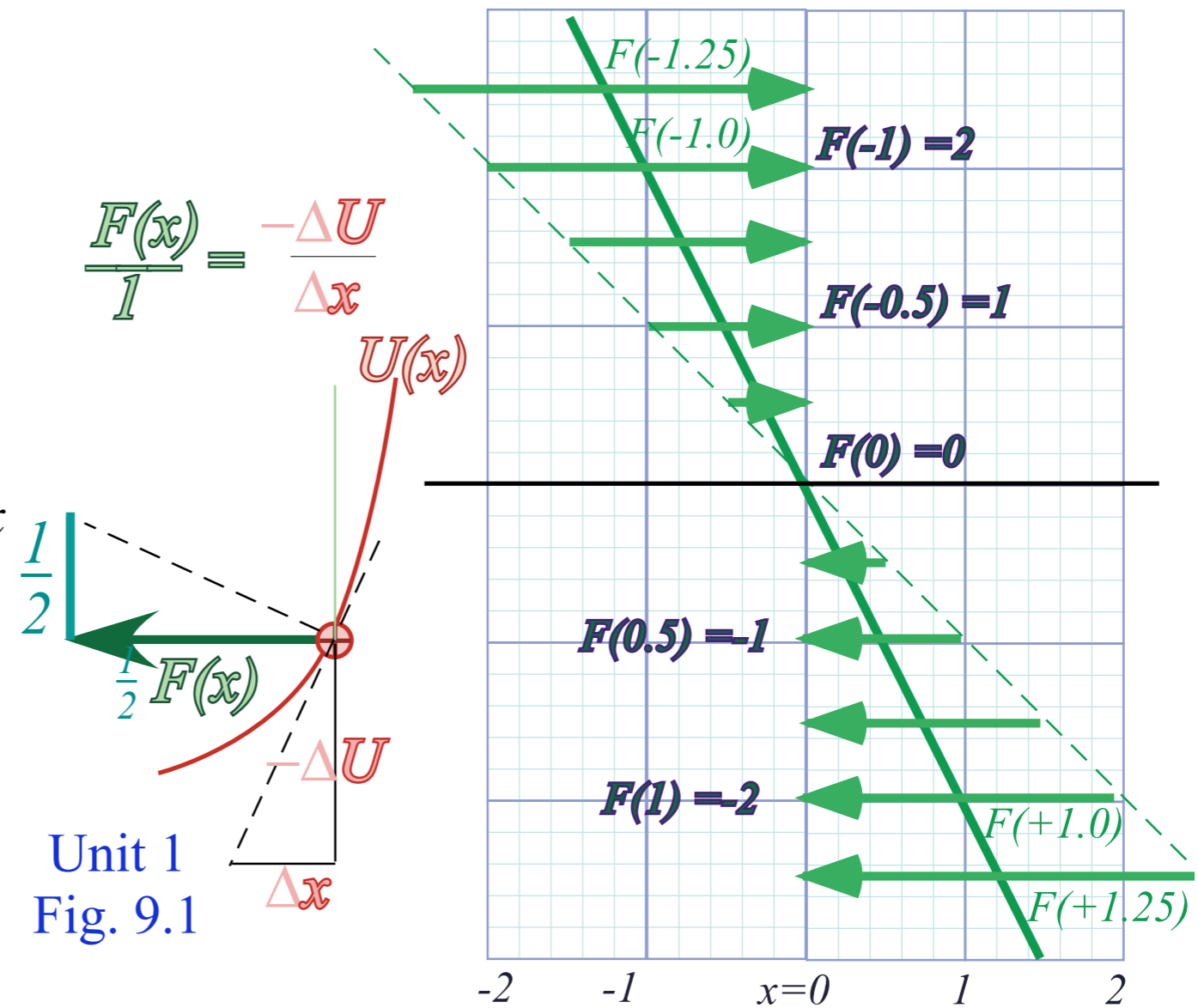


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(b) Hooke-Law Force  $F(x) = -2x$

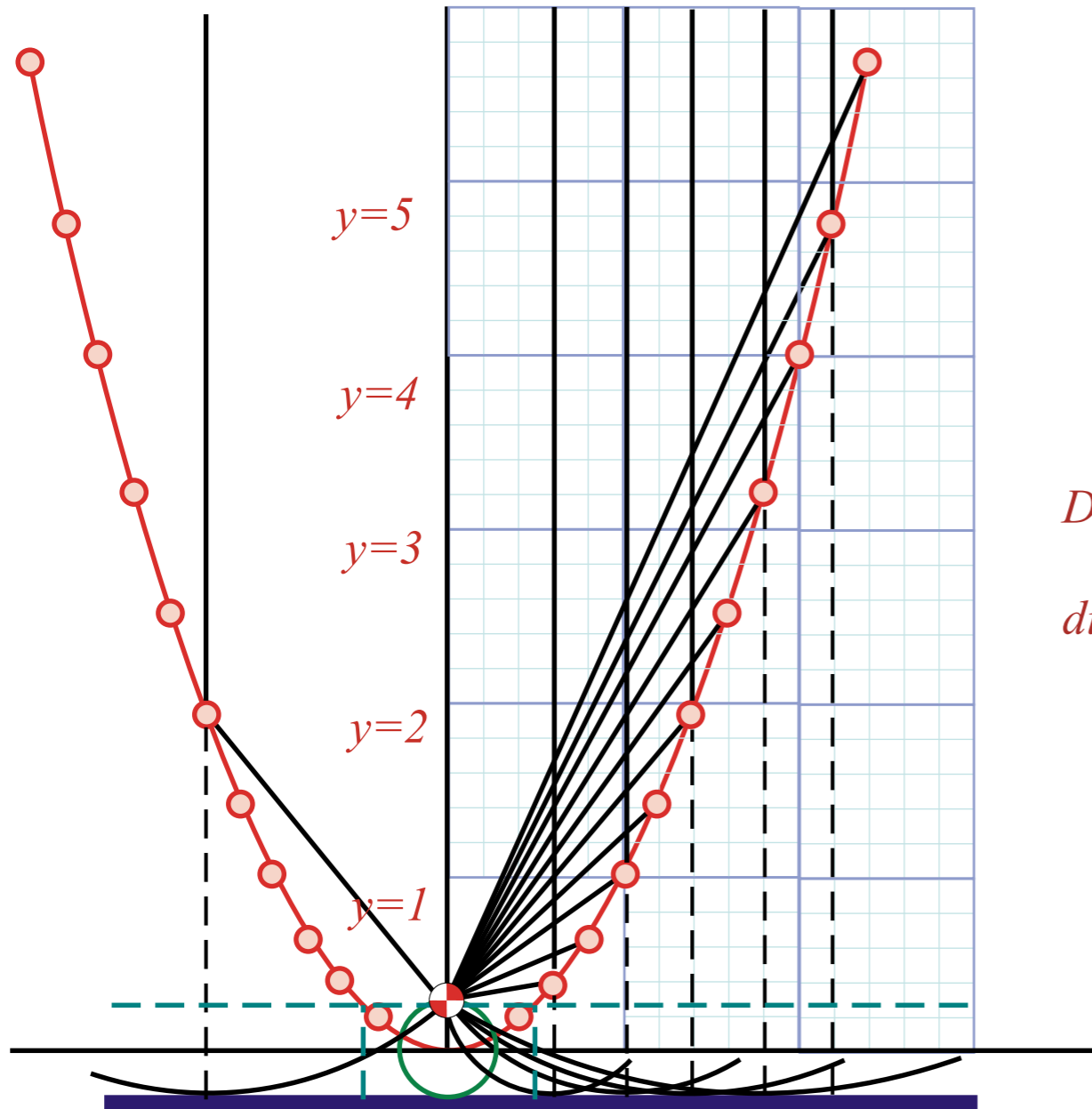


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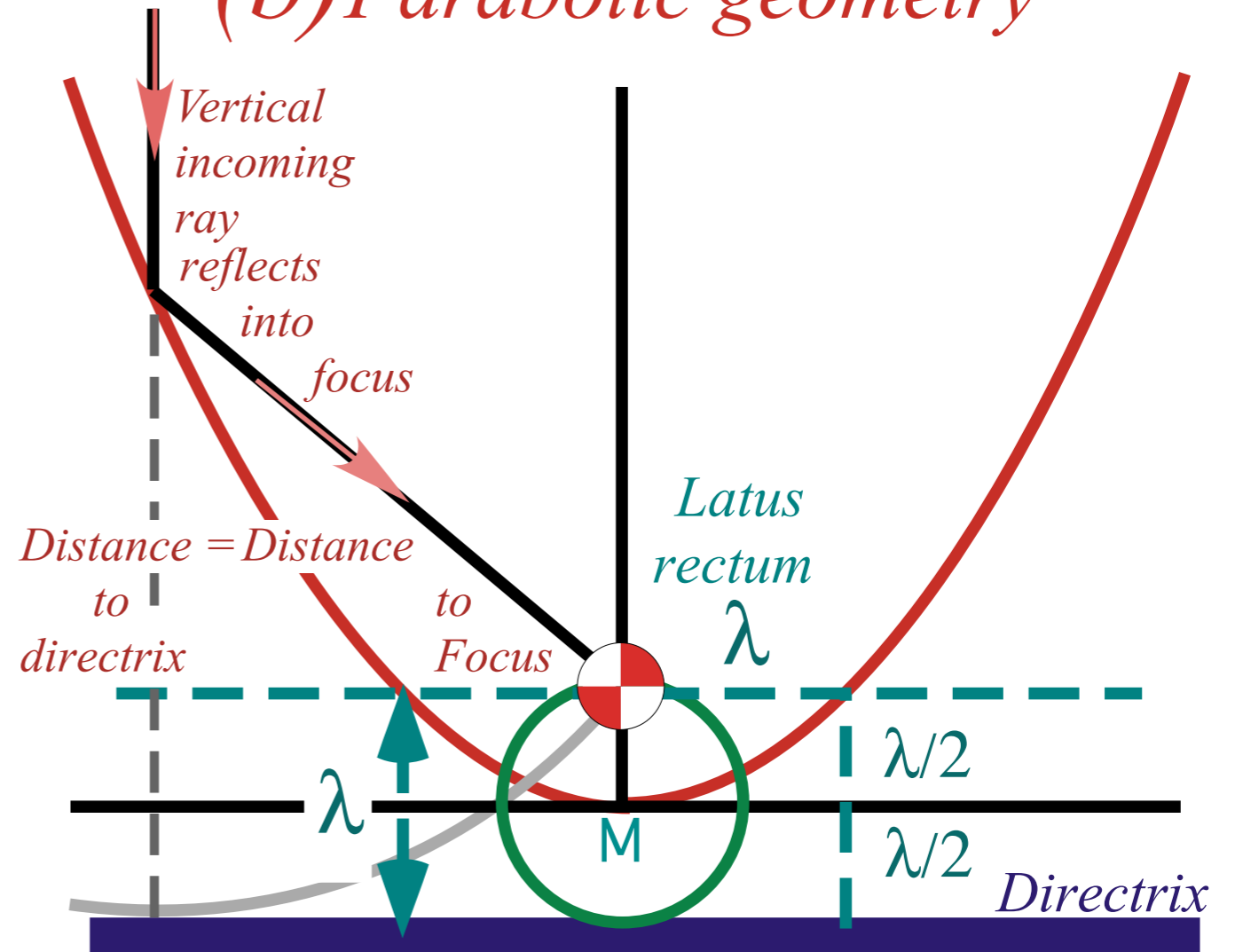
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*A more conventional parabolic geometry... (uses focal point)*

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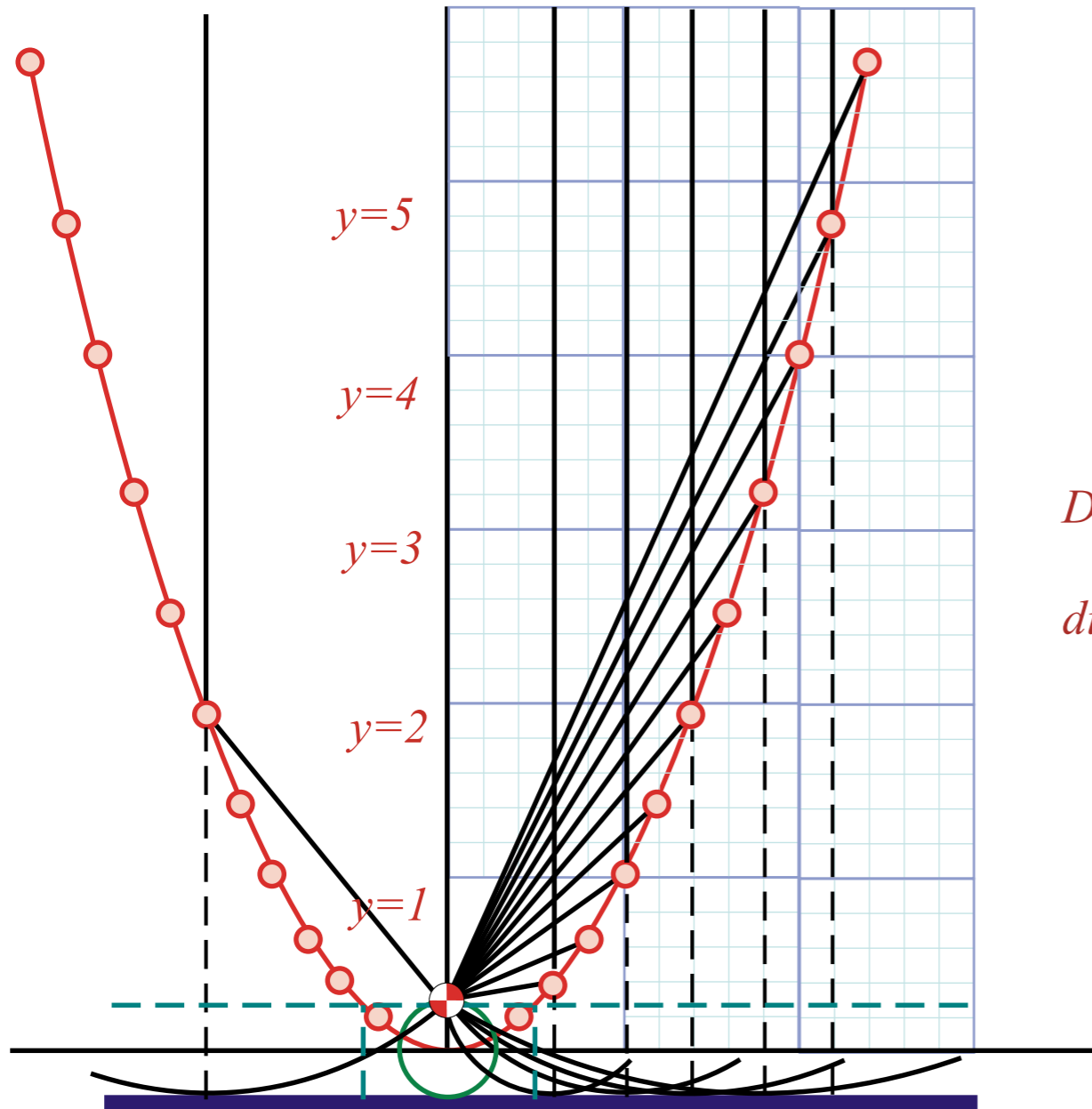


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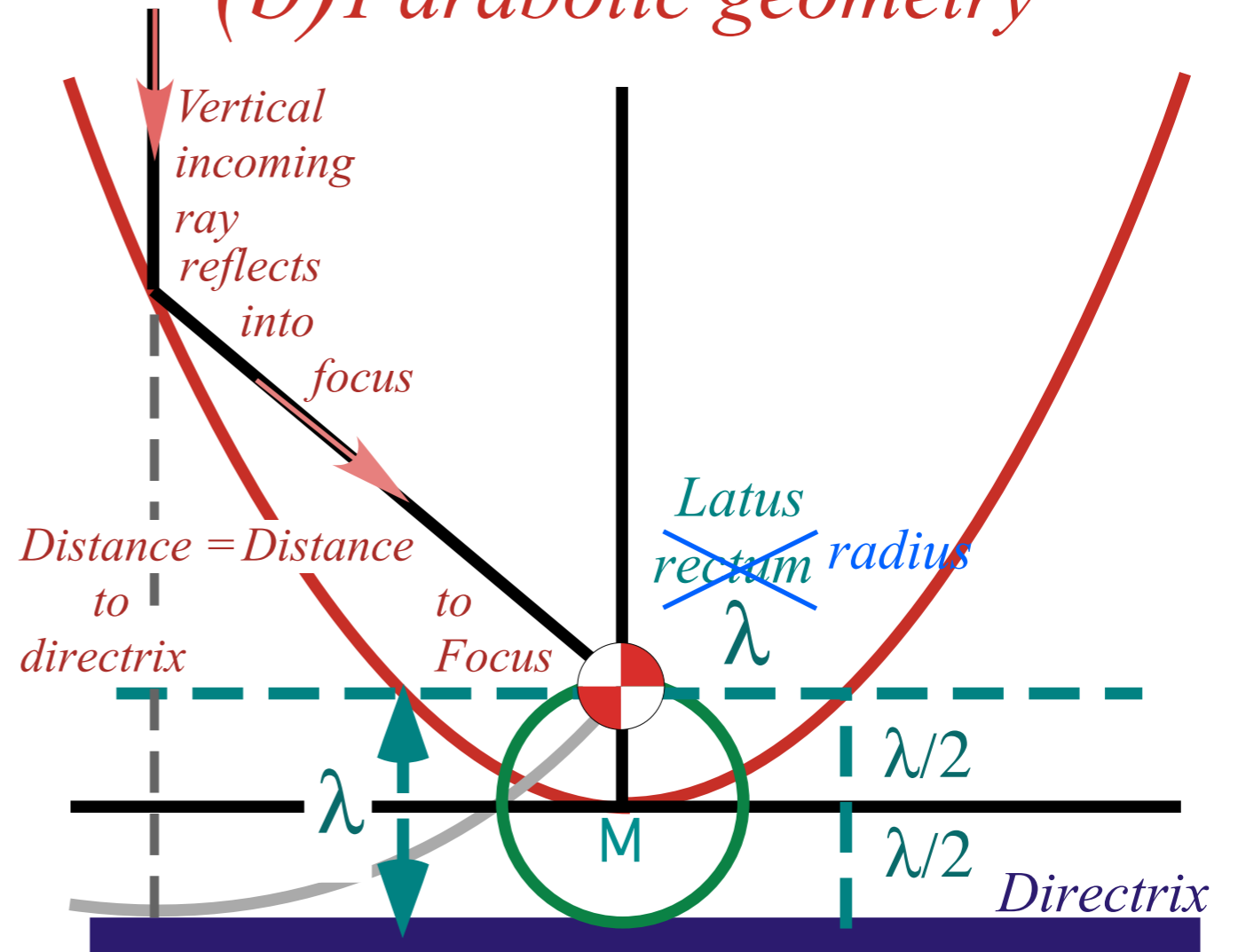


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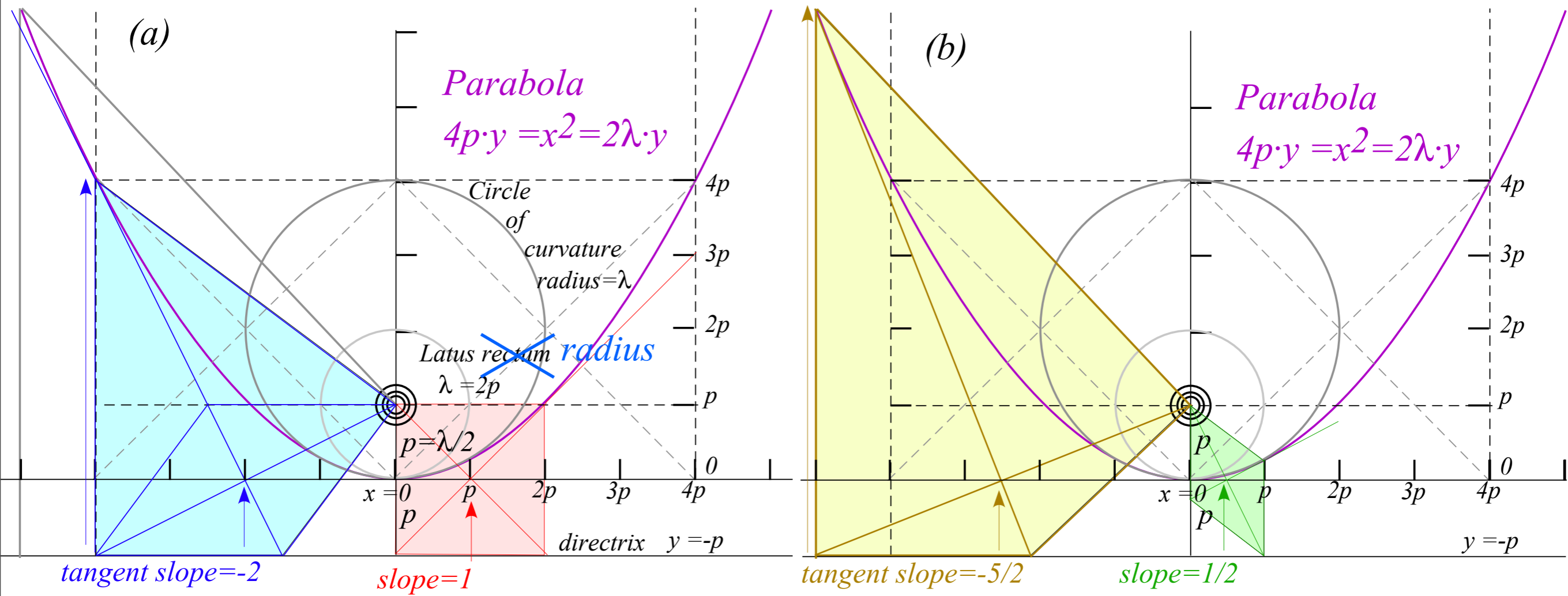


Better name† for  $\lambda$  : *latus radius*

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...conventional parabolic geometry...carried to extremes...



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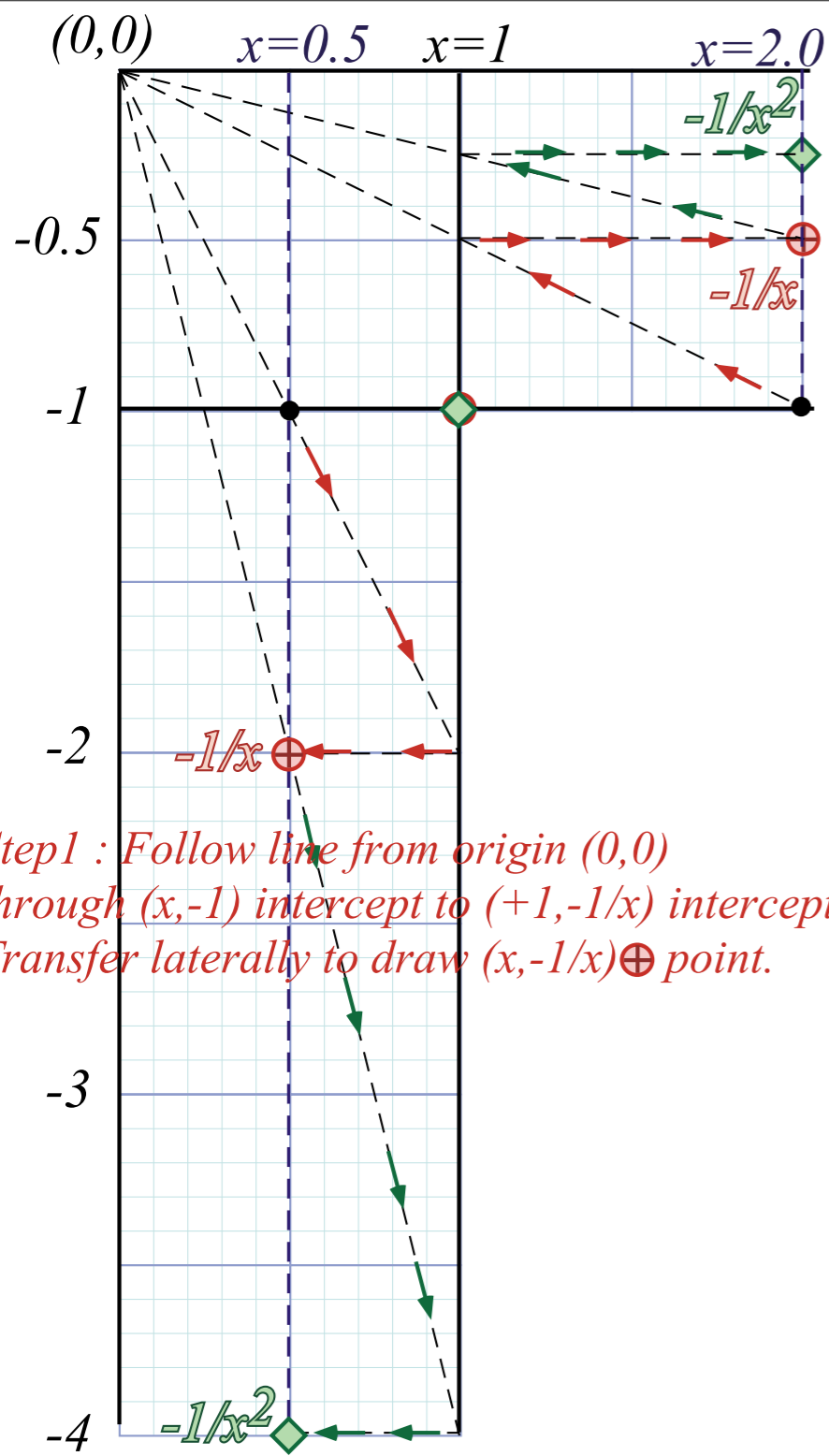
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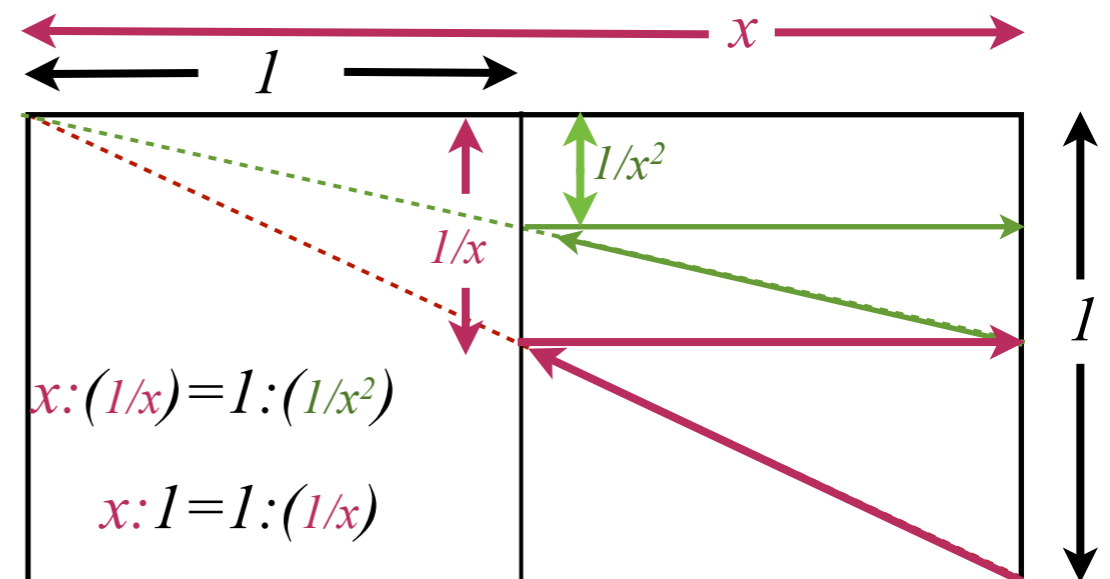
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Coulomb geometry  
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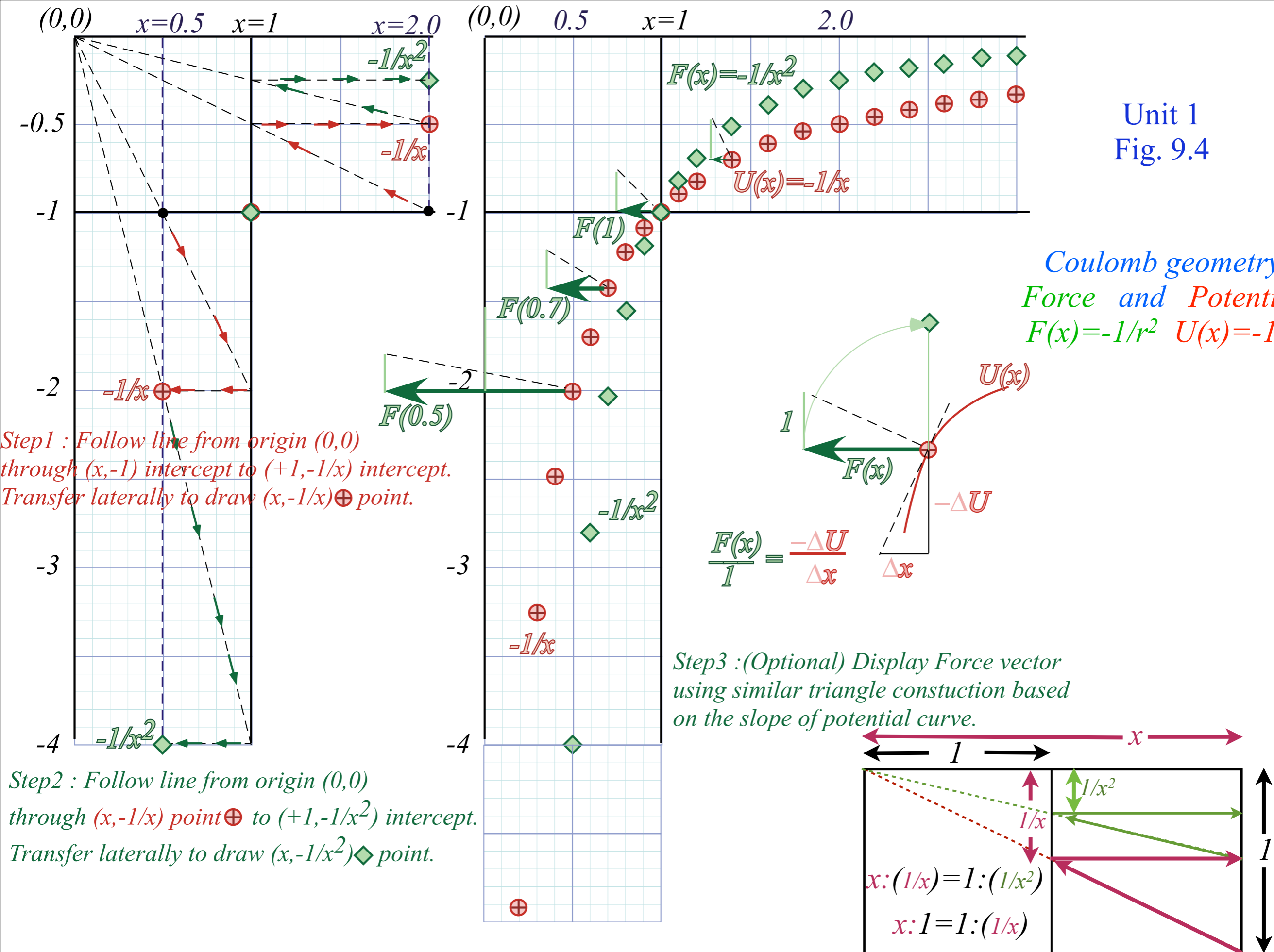


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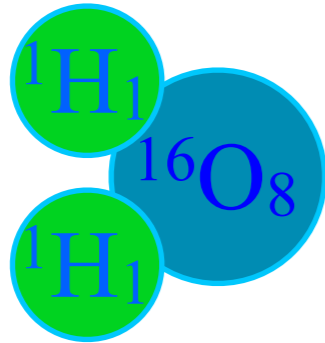
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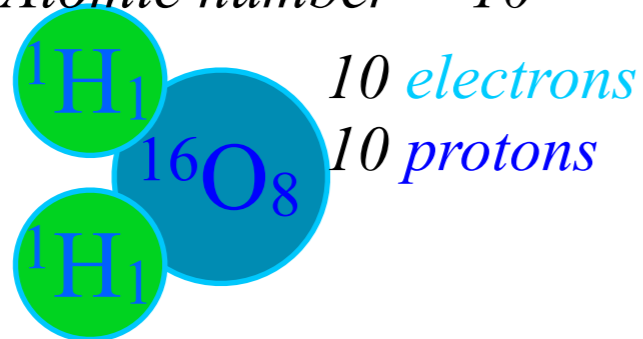
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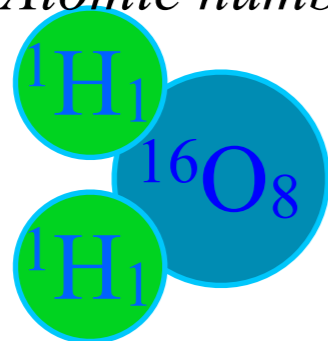
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10 electrons That is  $\sim - 3 \cdot 10^{23} \cdot 1.6022 \cdot 10^{-19}$  Coulomb or about  $-0.5 \cdot 10^{+5}$  C or  $- 50,000$  Coulomb

10 protons plus  $\sim + 3 \cdot 10^{23} \cdot 1.6022 \cdot 10^{-19}$  Coulomb or about  $+0.5 \cdot 10^{+5}$  C or  $+ 50,000$  Coulomb

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↑ COMPARE! ↓

BIG  
vs  
small



## 2. Gravitational force between $m$ (kilograms) and $M$ (kg.)

$$F^{grav.}(r) = -G \frac{mM}{r^2} \quad \text{where: } G = 0.000,000,000,067 \frac{\text{Newtons} \cdot \text{meter} \cdot \text{square}}{\text{per square Coulomb}}$$

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*Discussion of repulsive force and PE in Ch. 9...*

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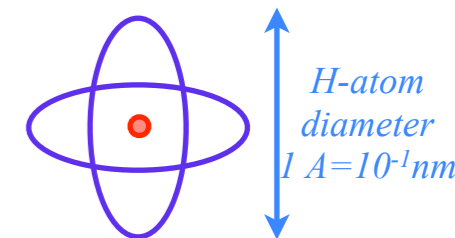
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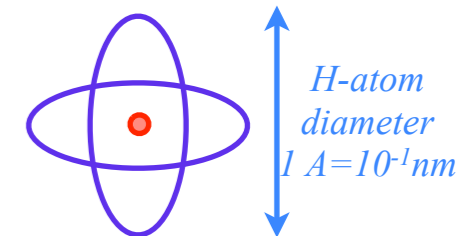
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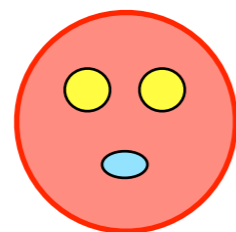
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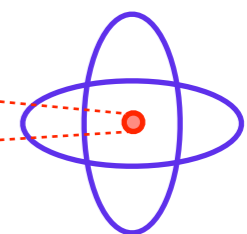
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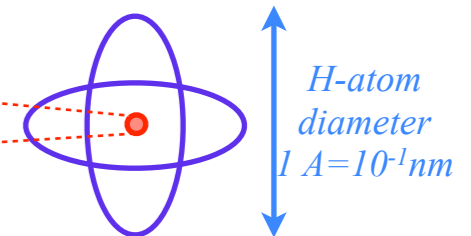
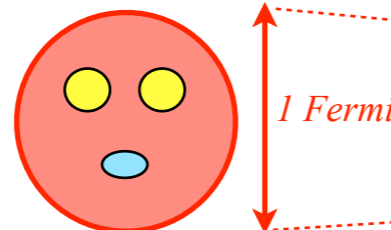
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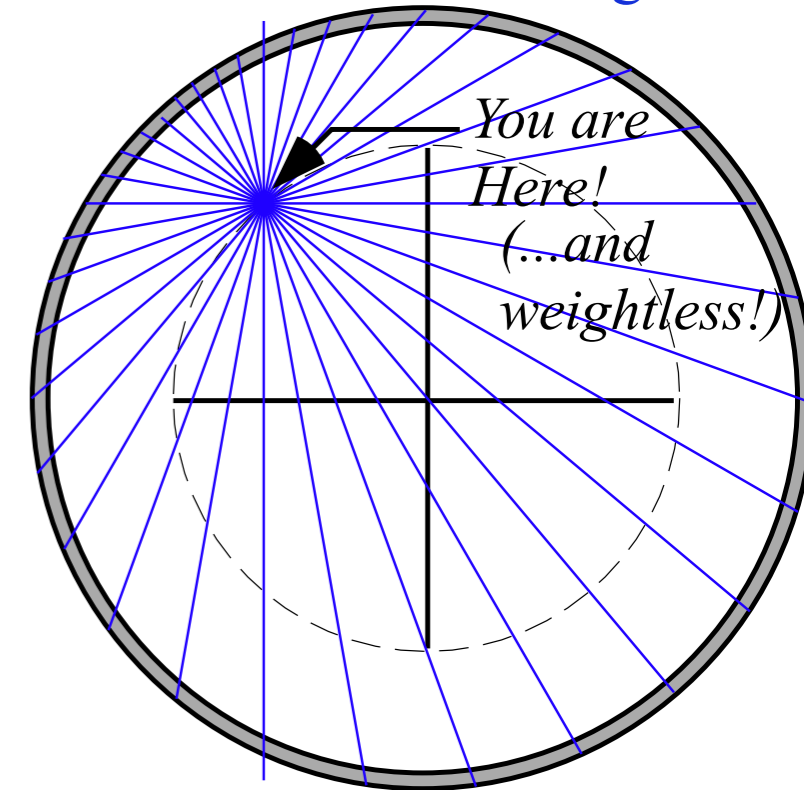
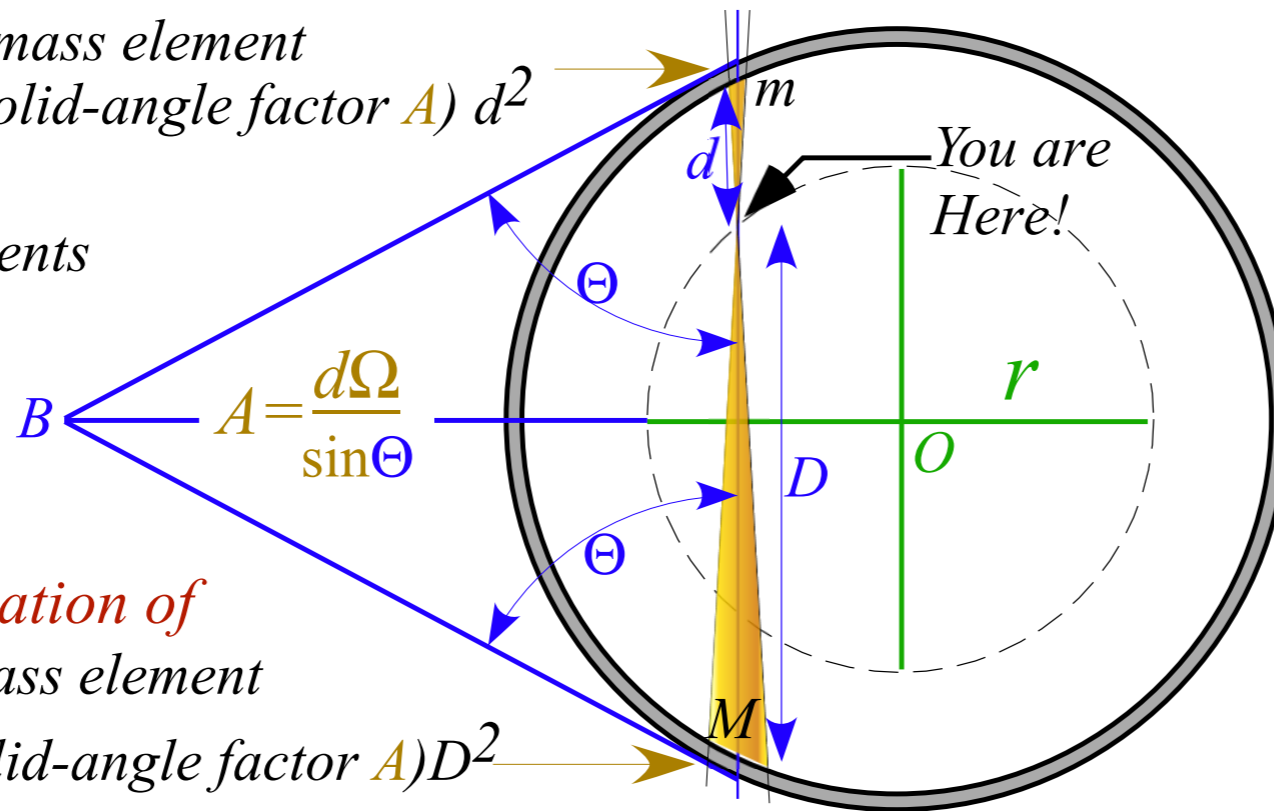
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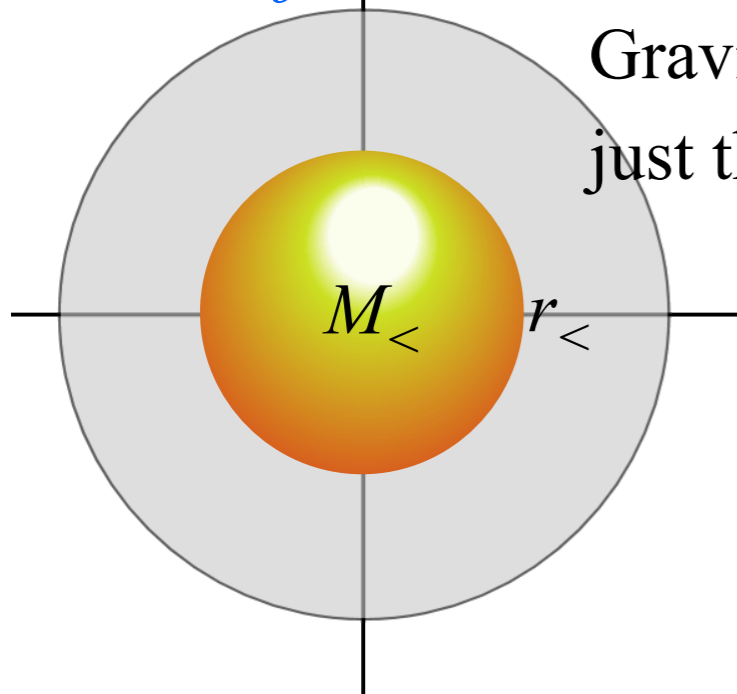
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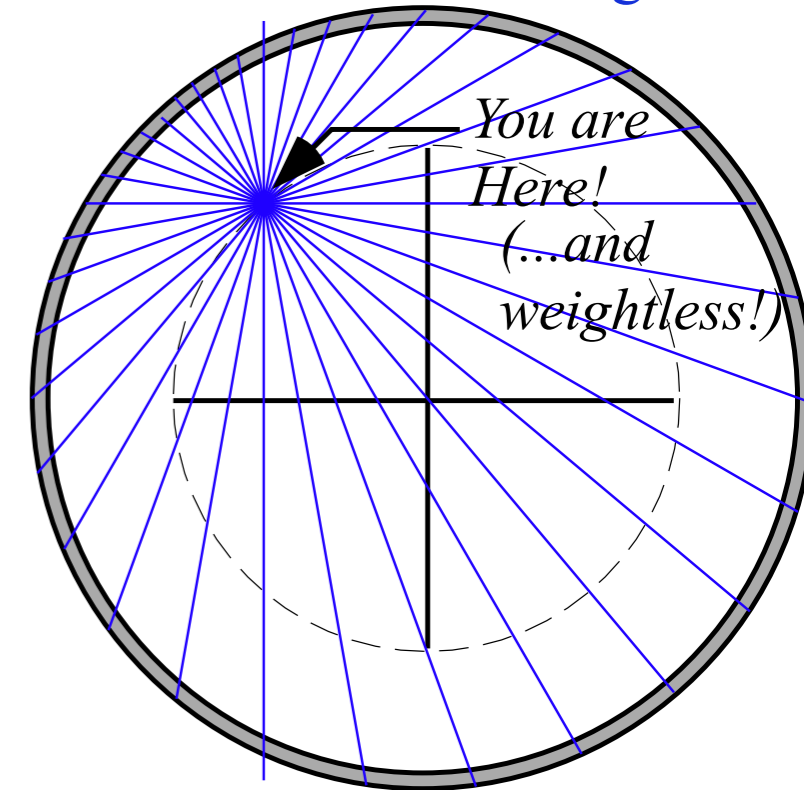
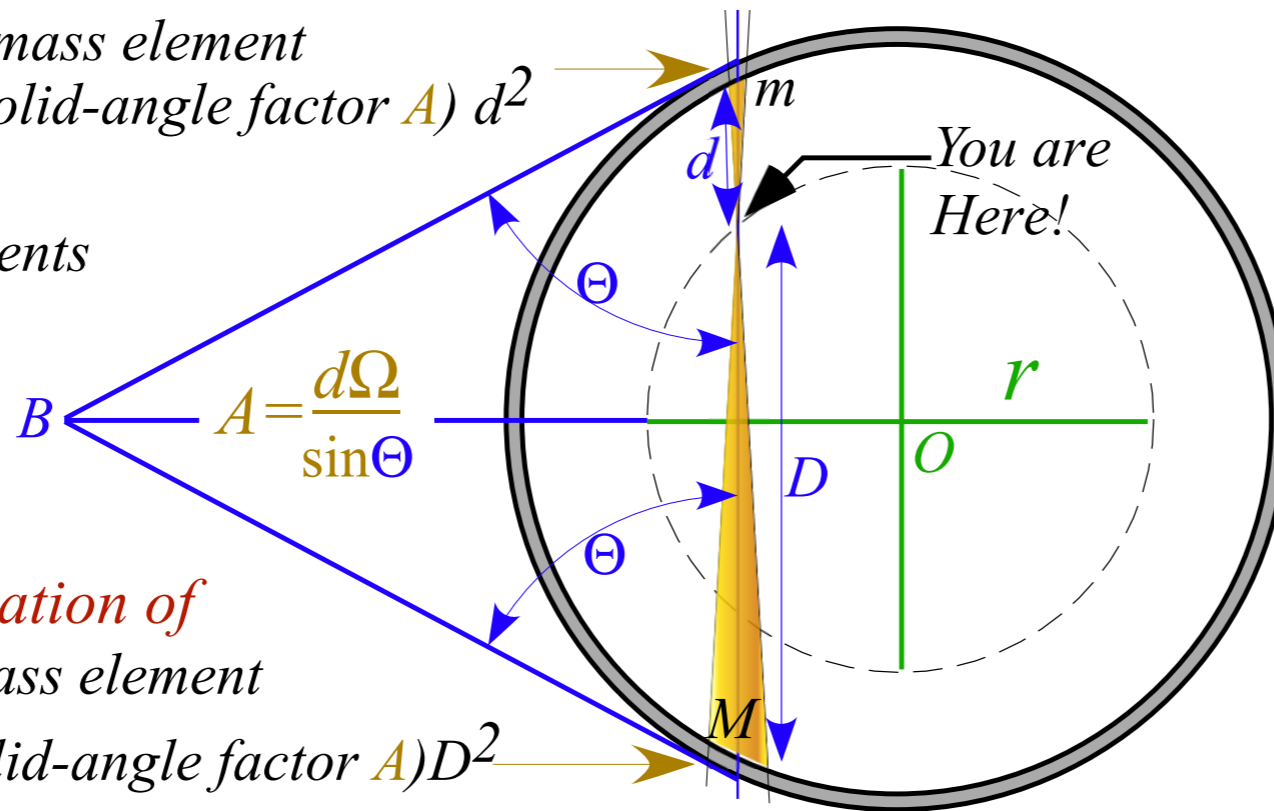
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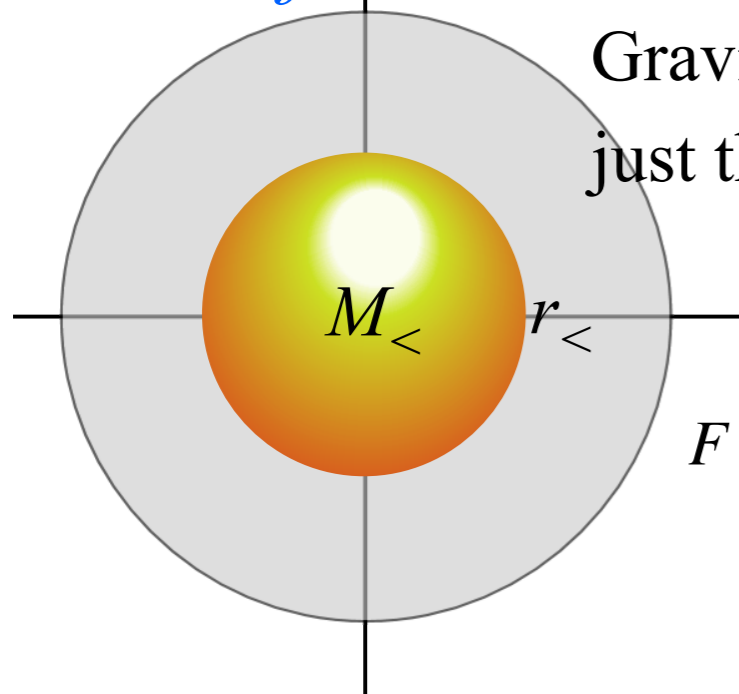
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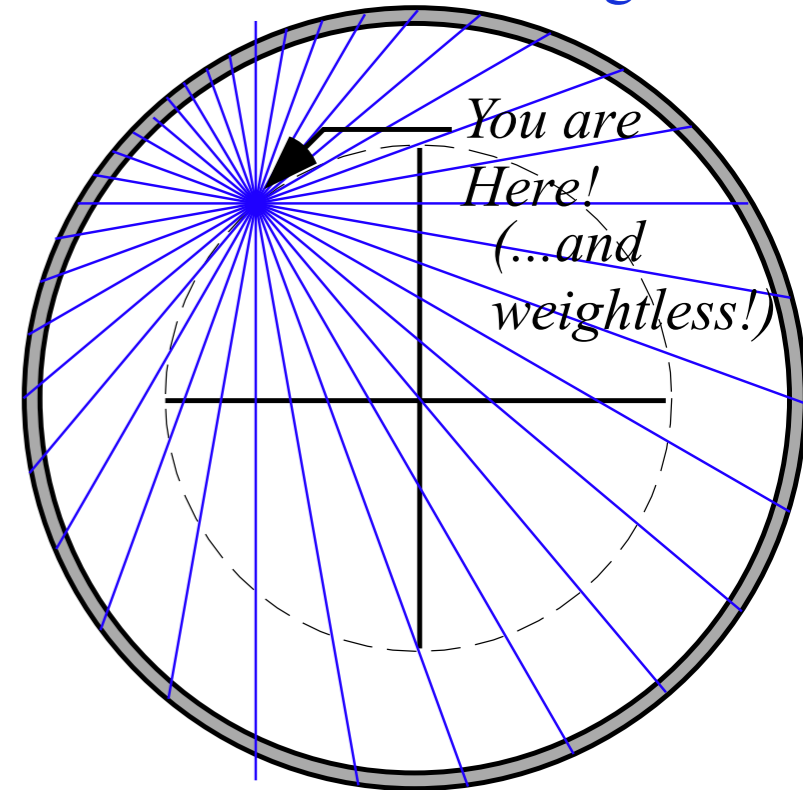
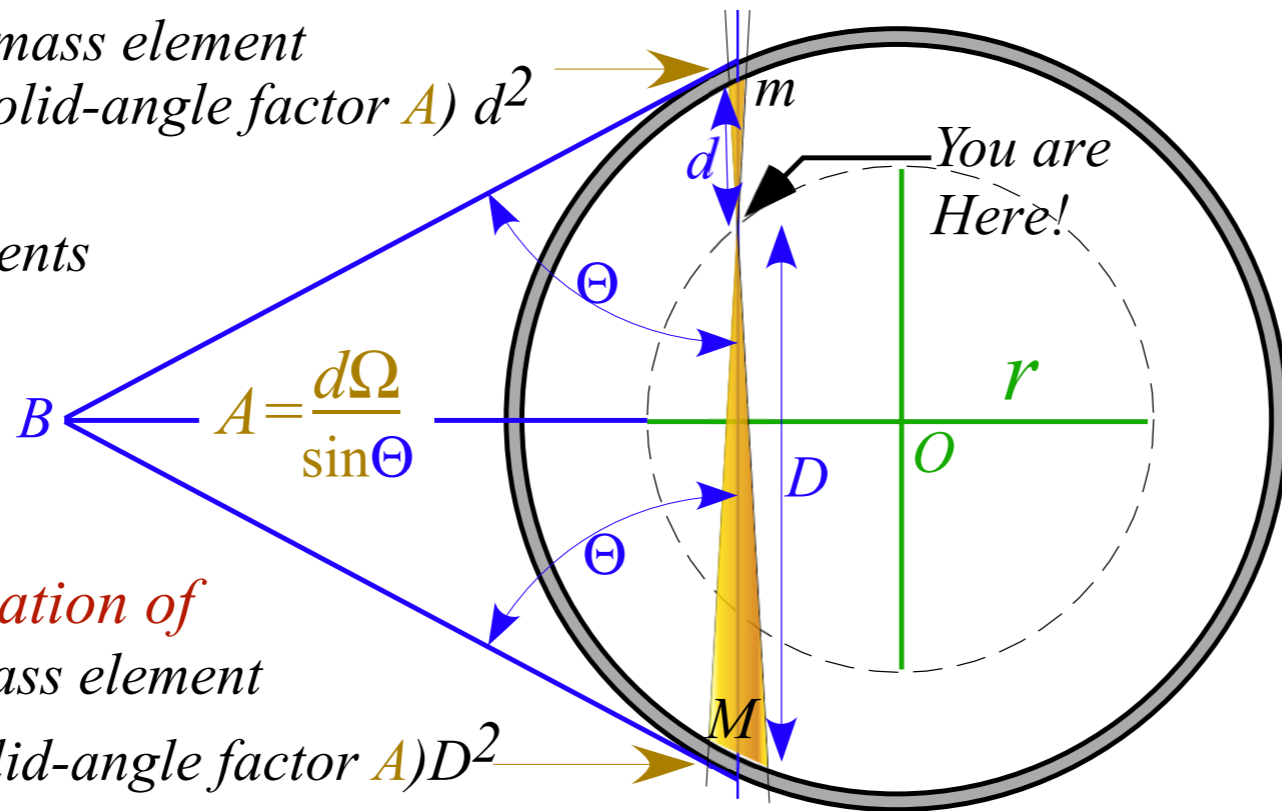
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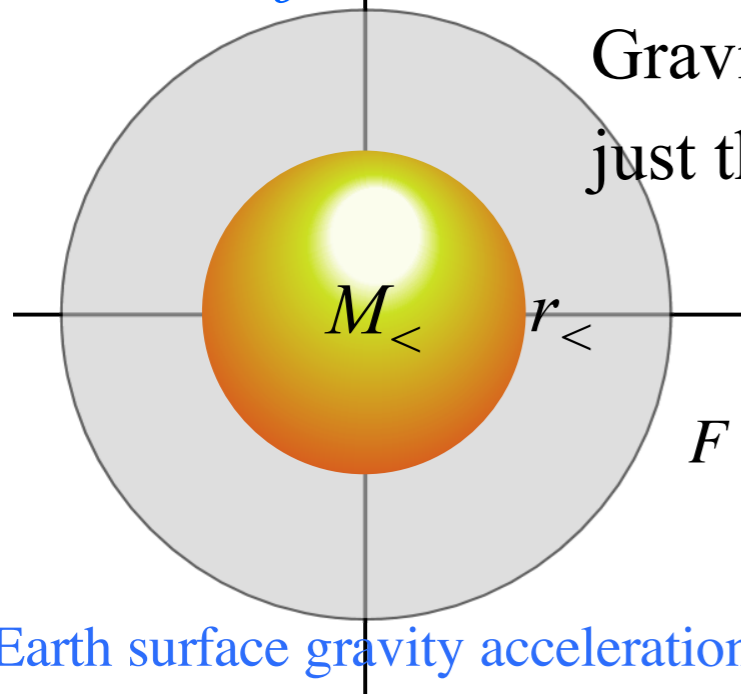
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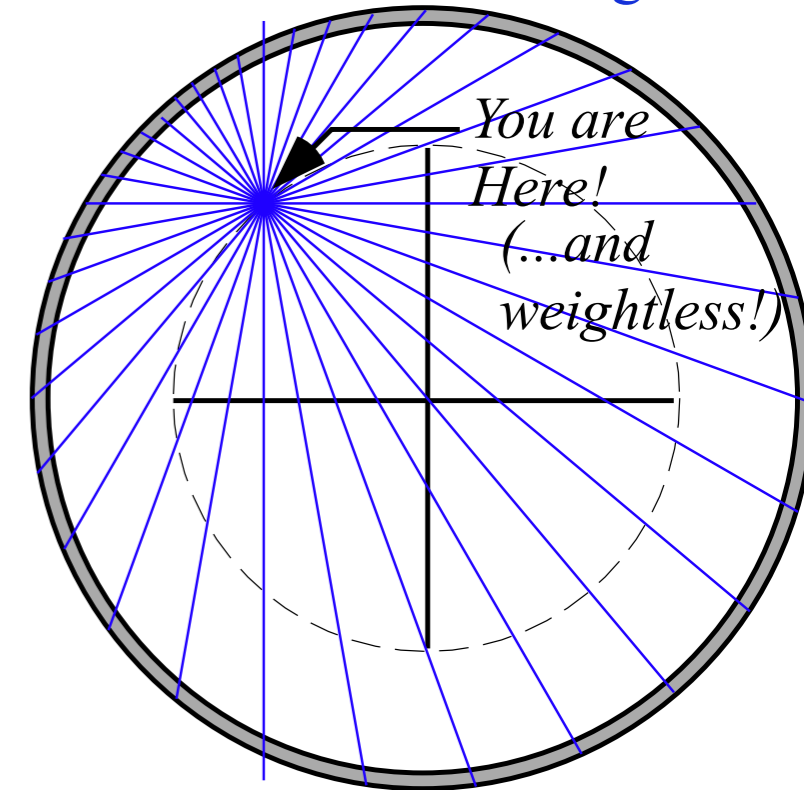
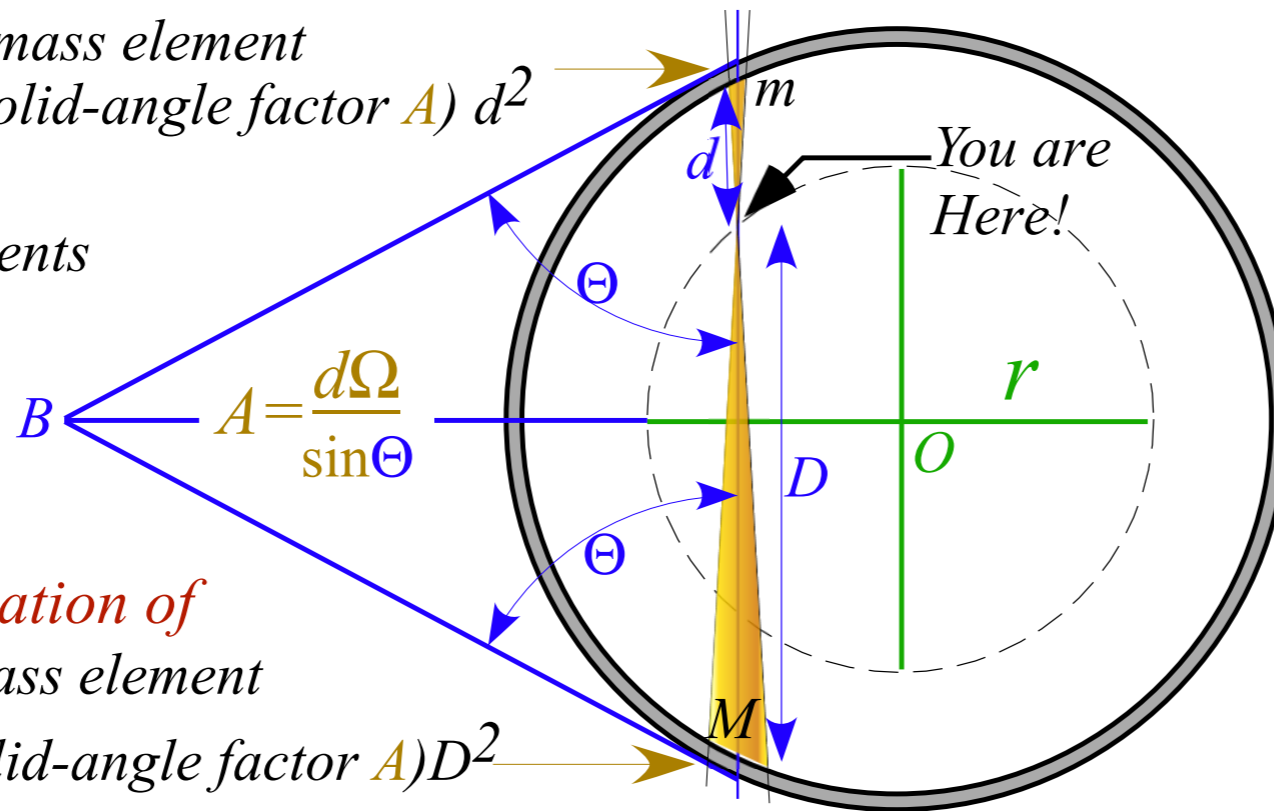
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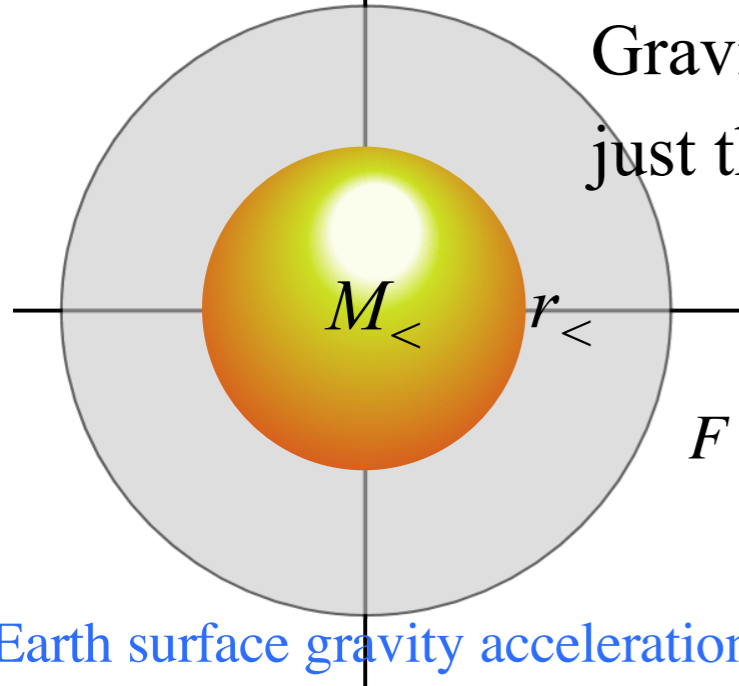
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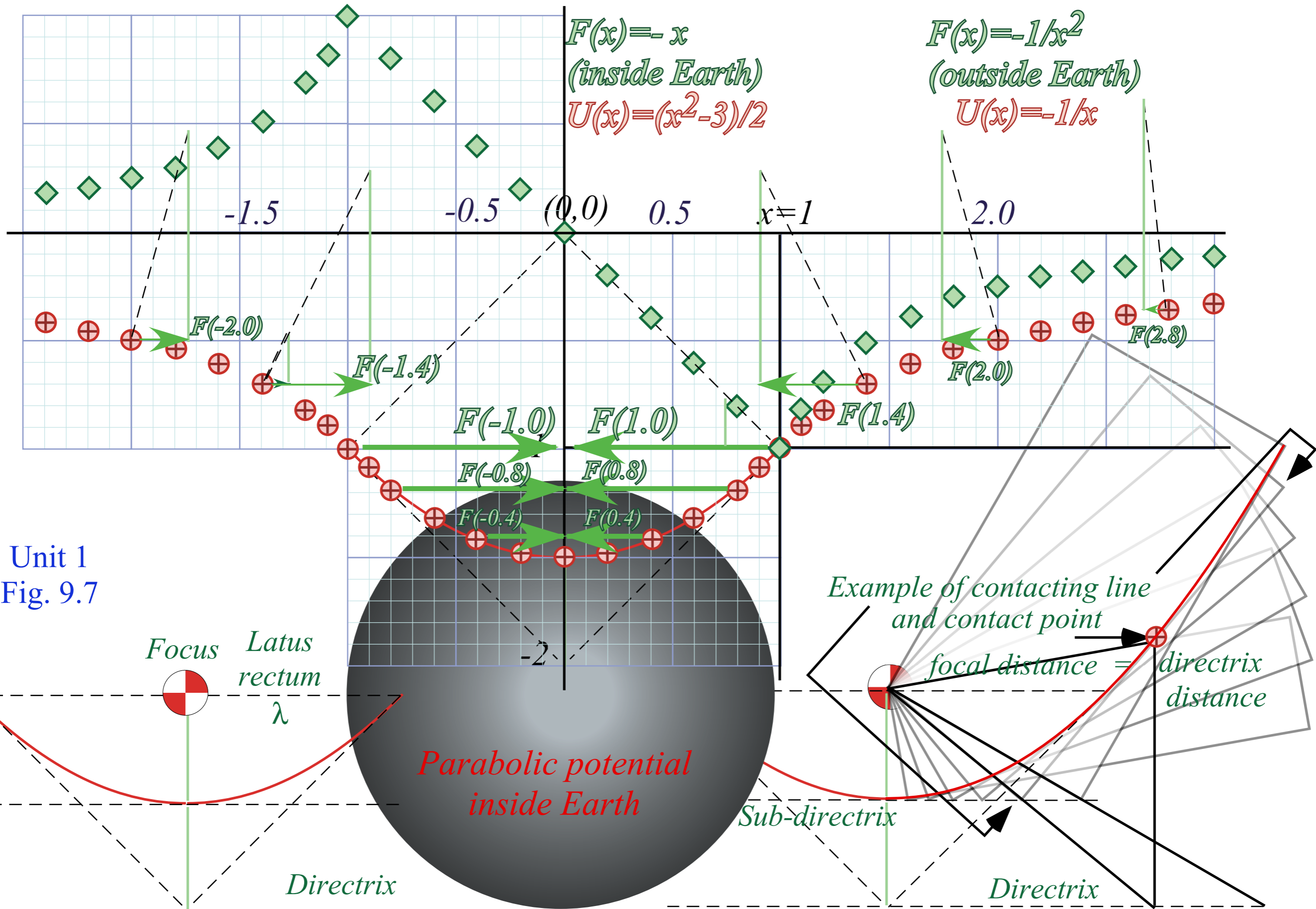
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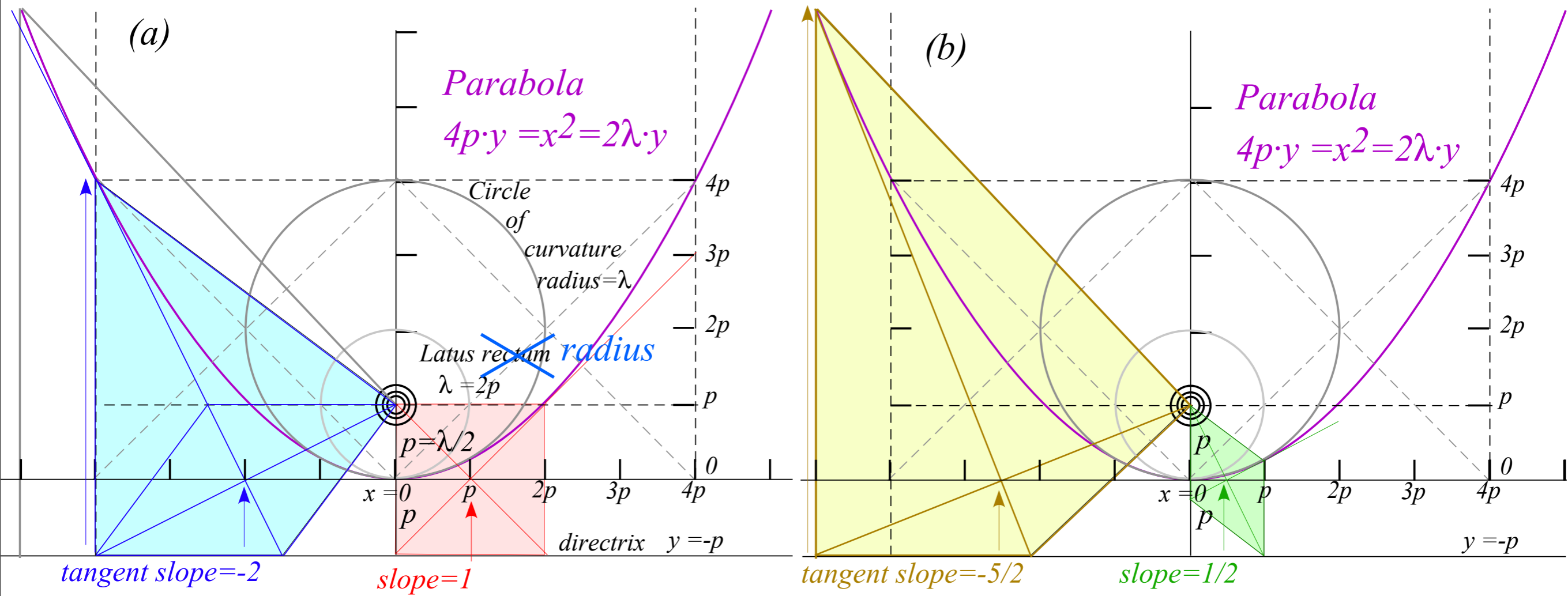


Unit 1  
Fig. 9.7



...conventional parabolic geometry...carried to extremes...

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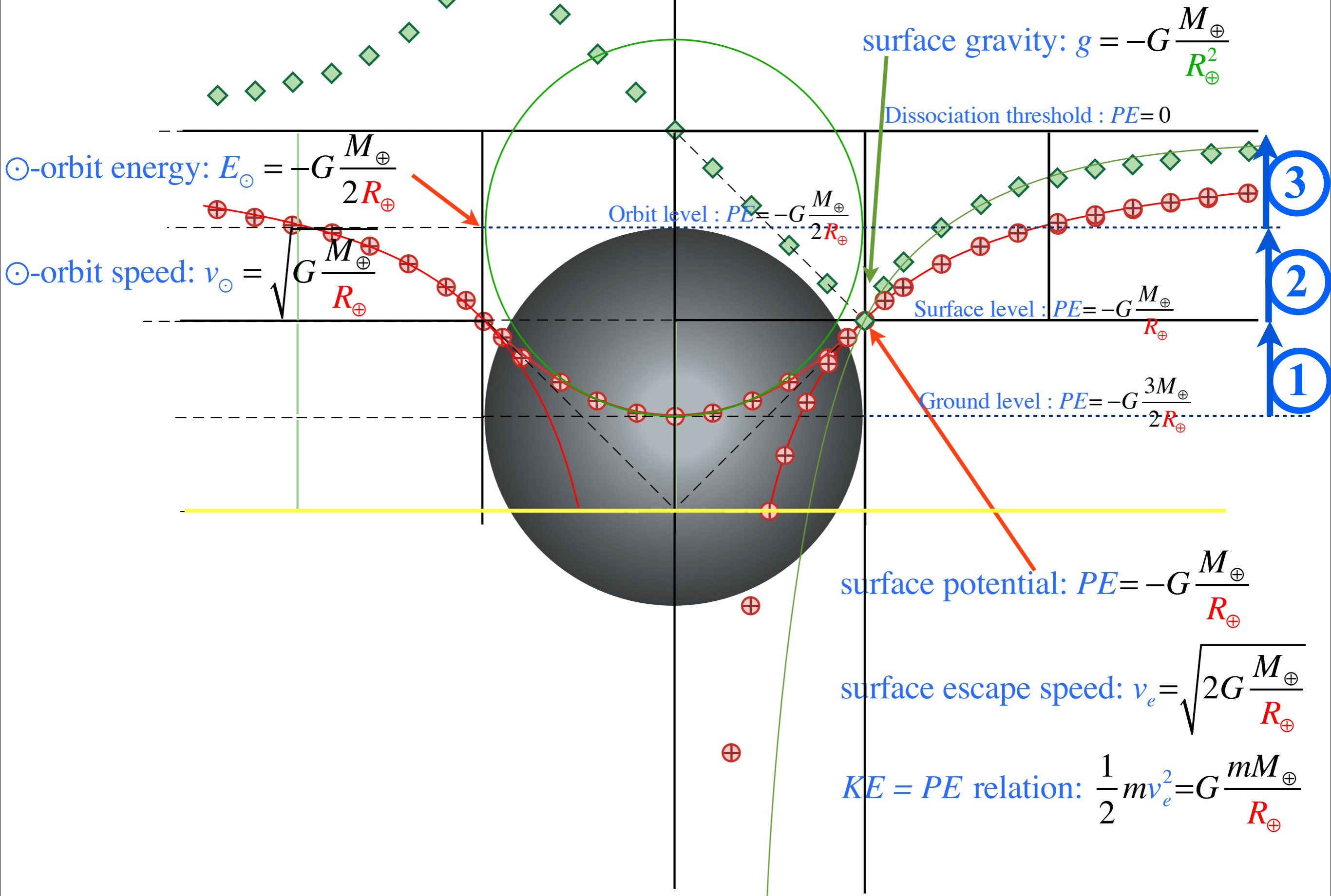
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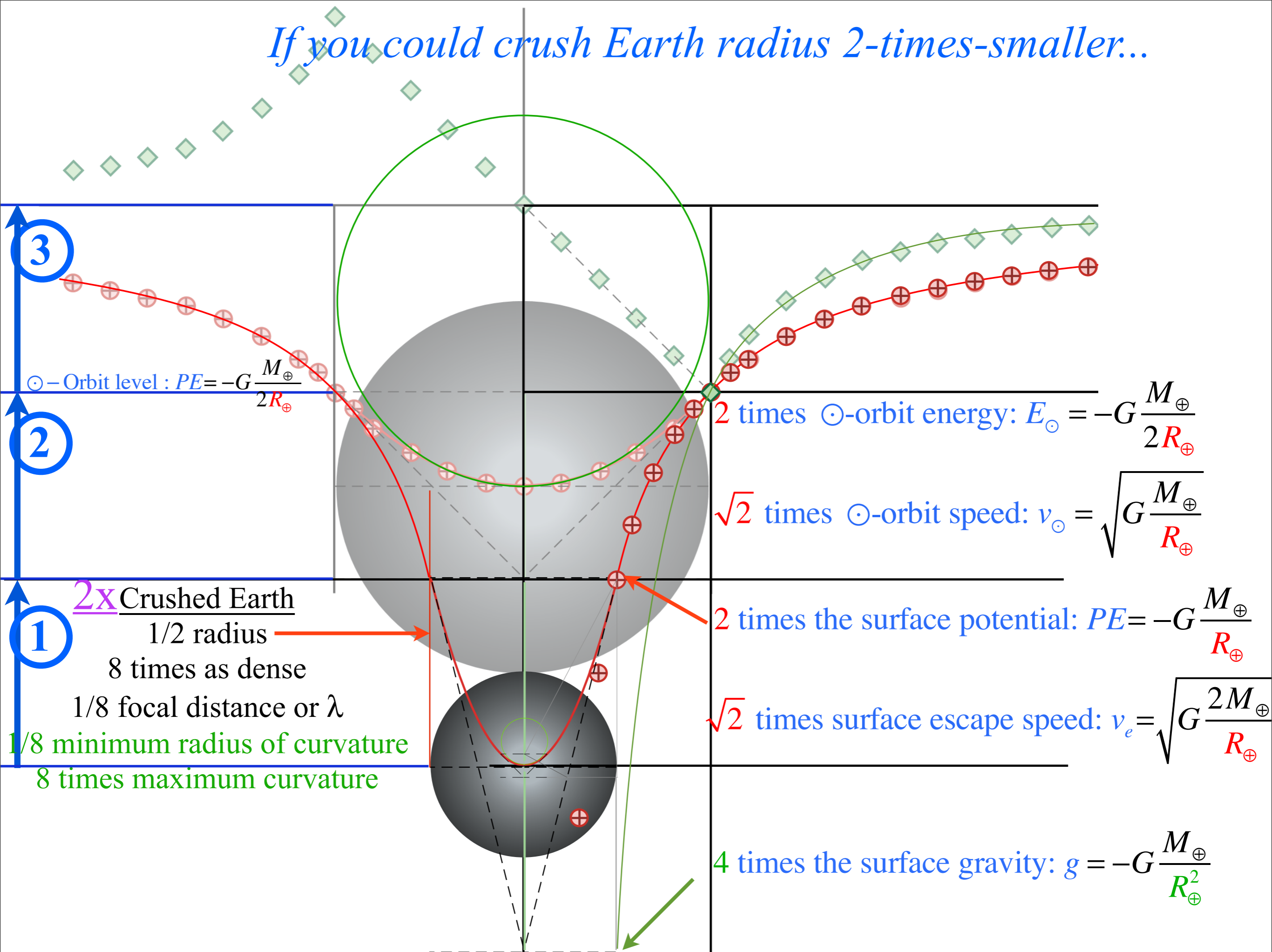
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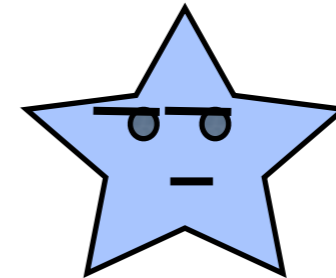
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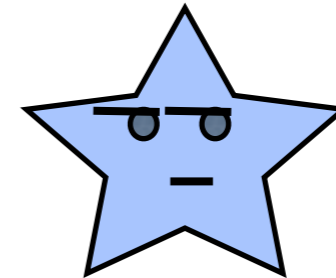
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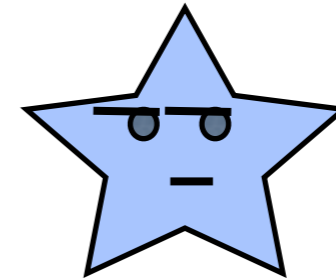
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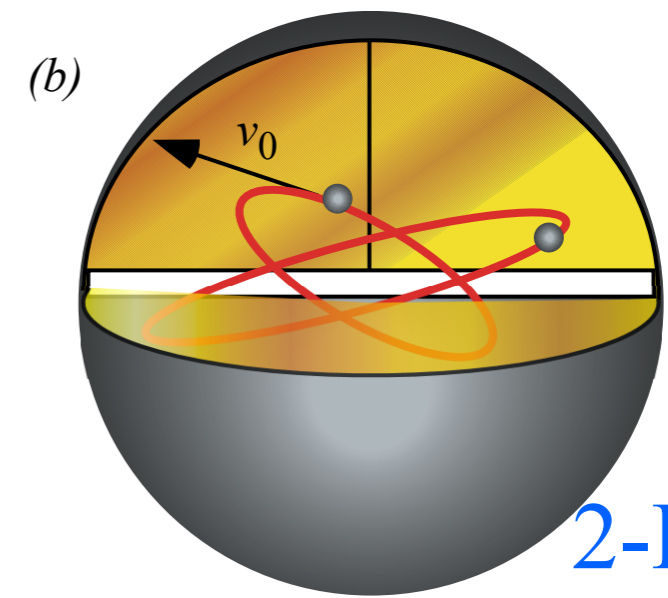
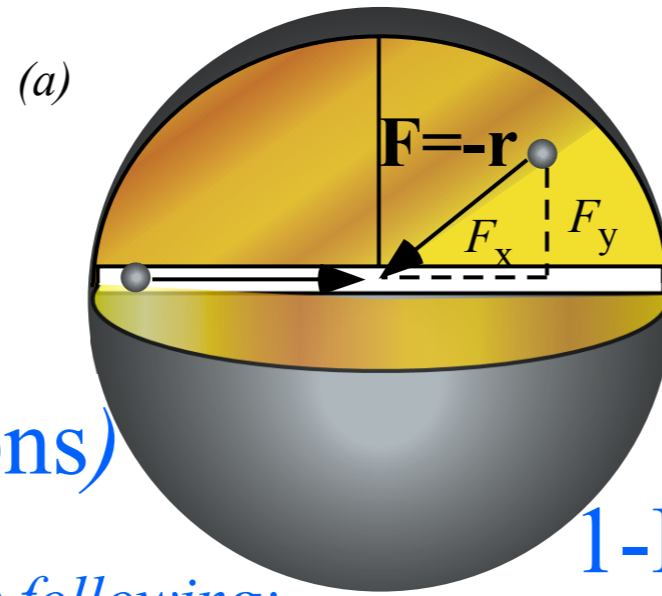
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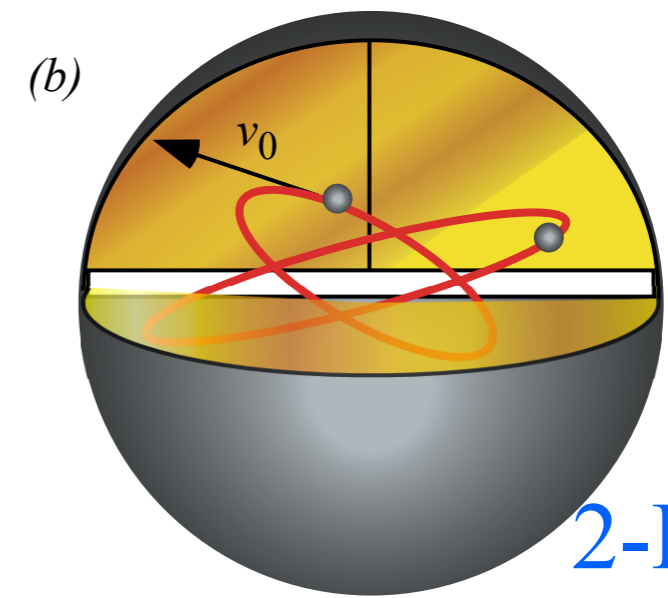
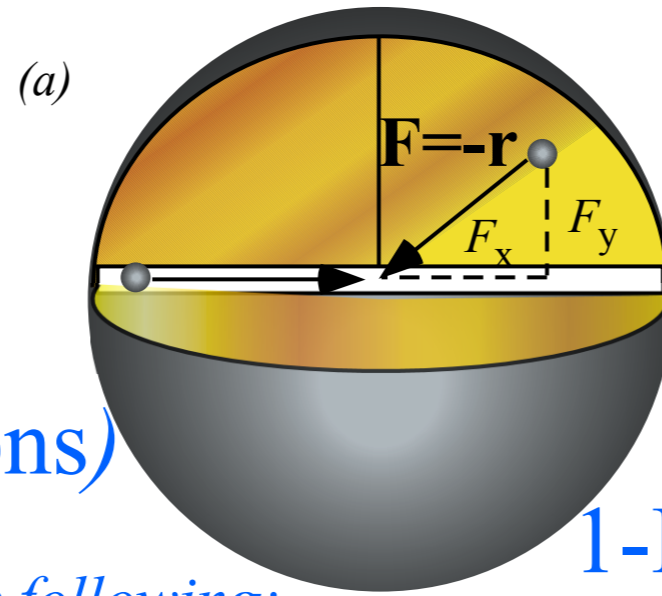
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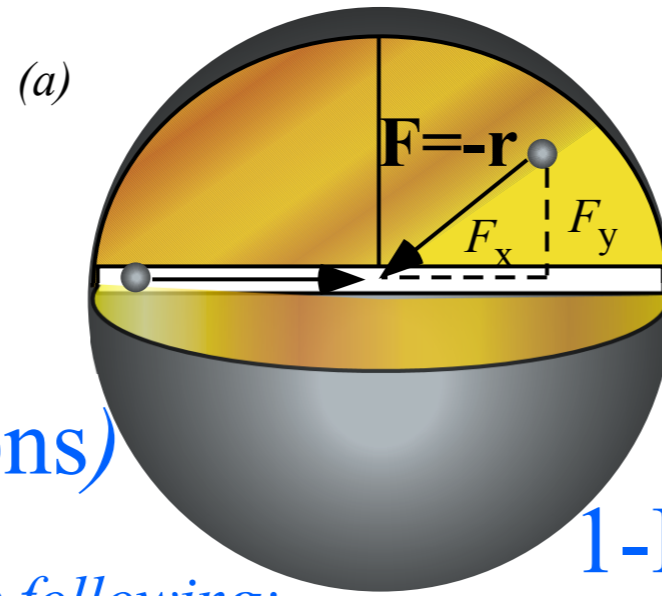


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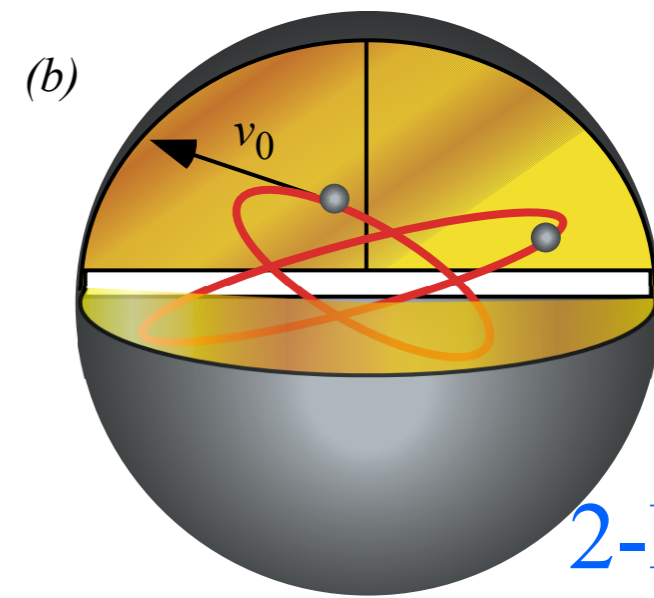
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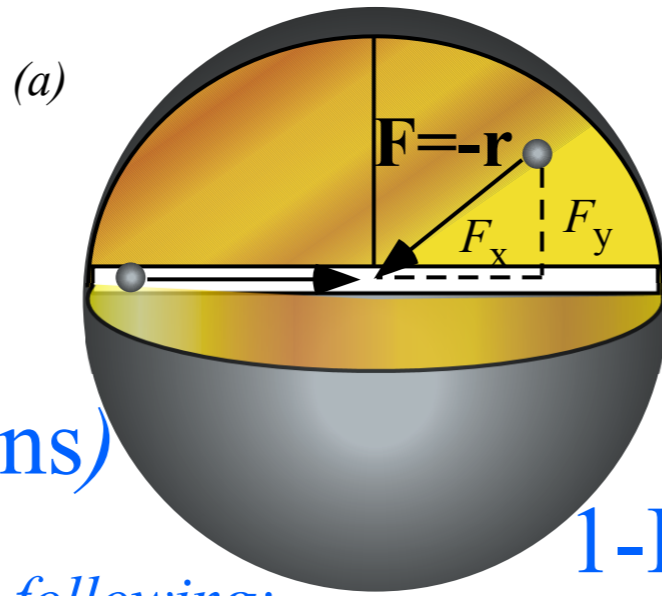
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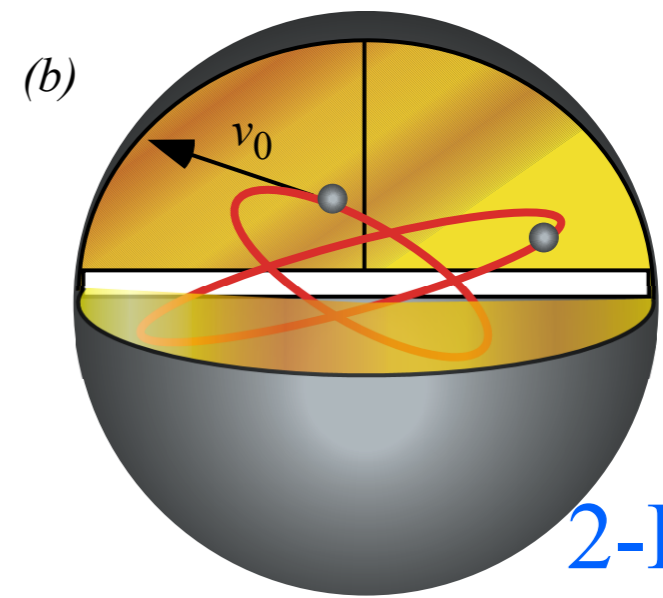
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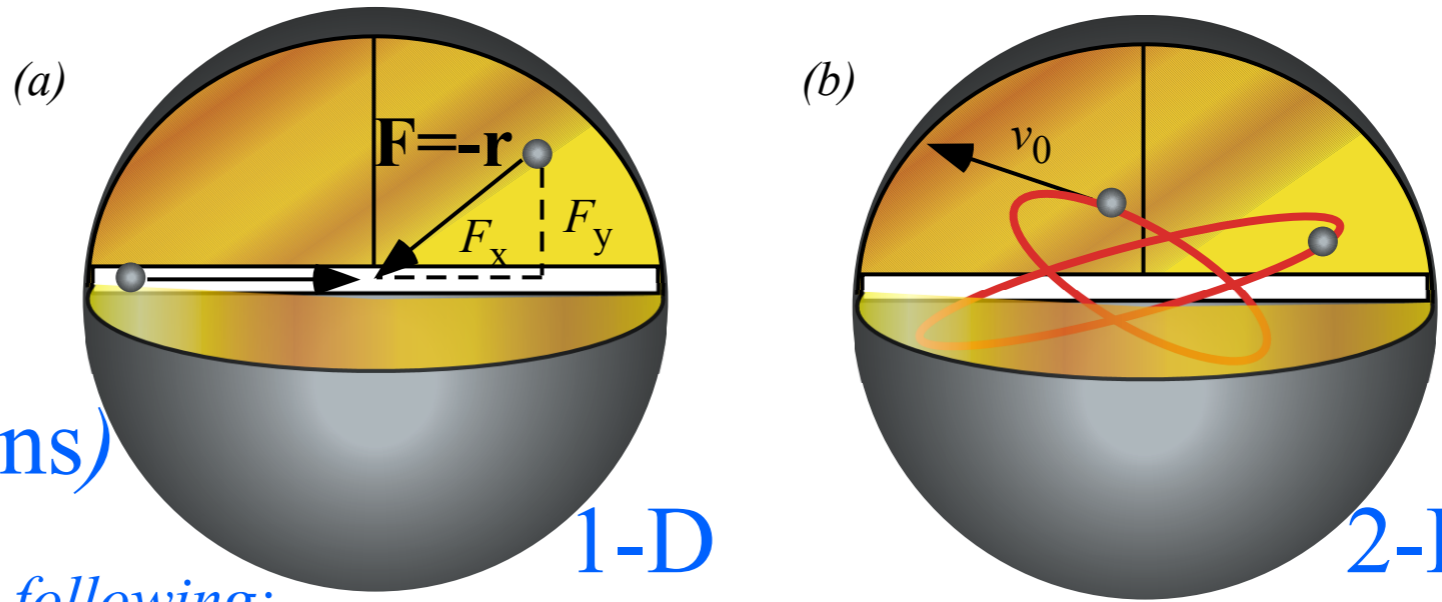
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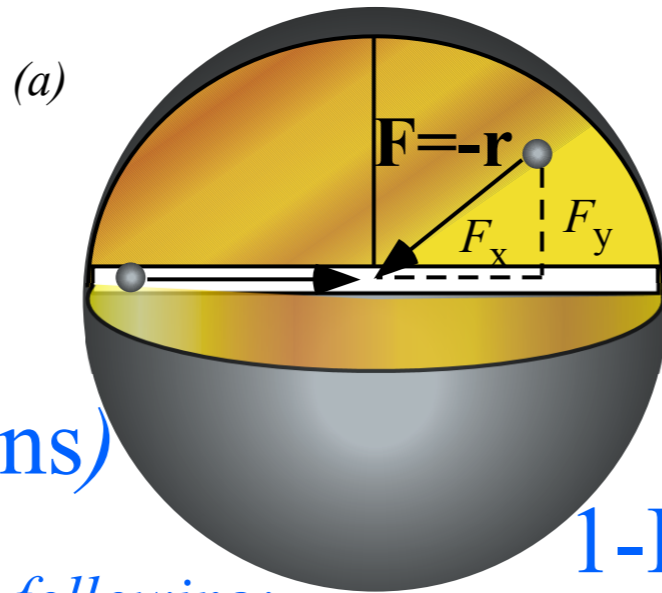
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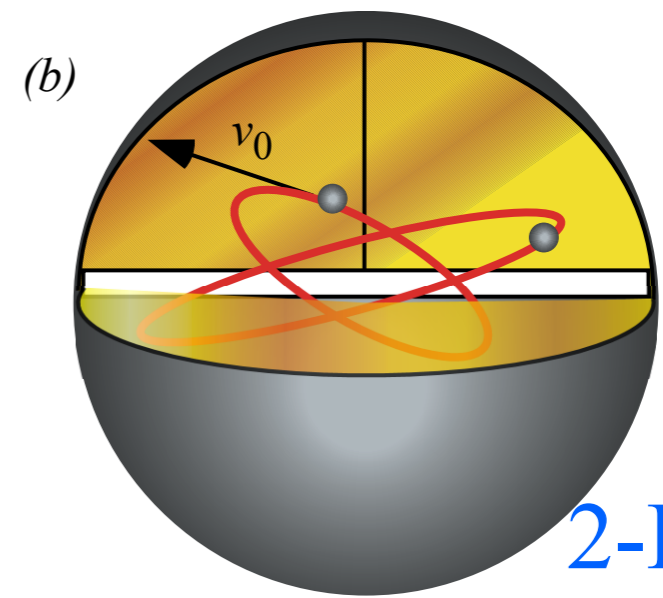
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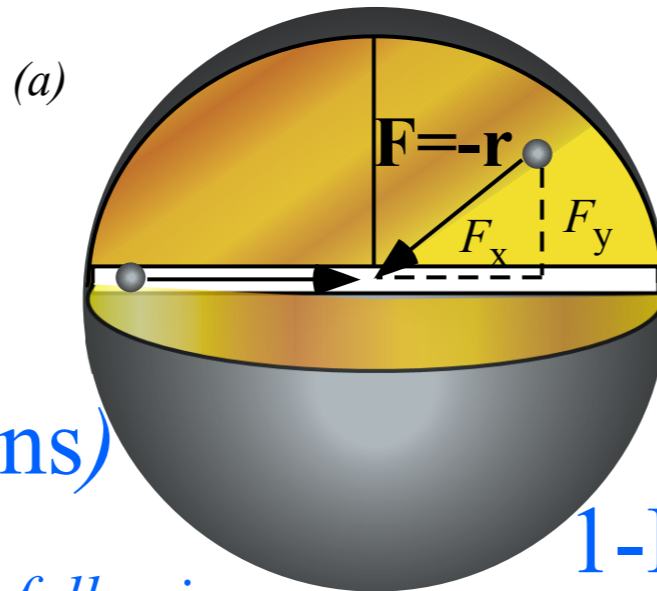
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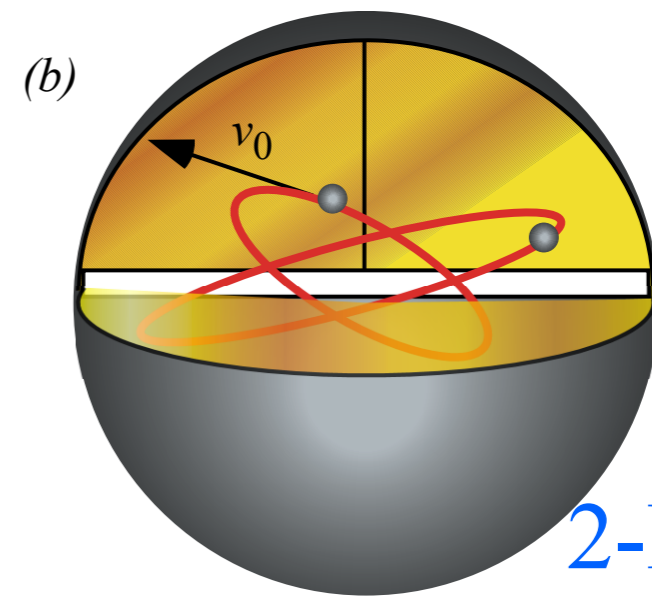
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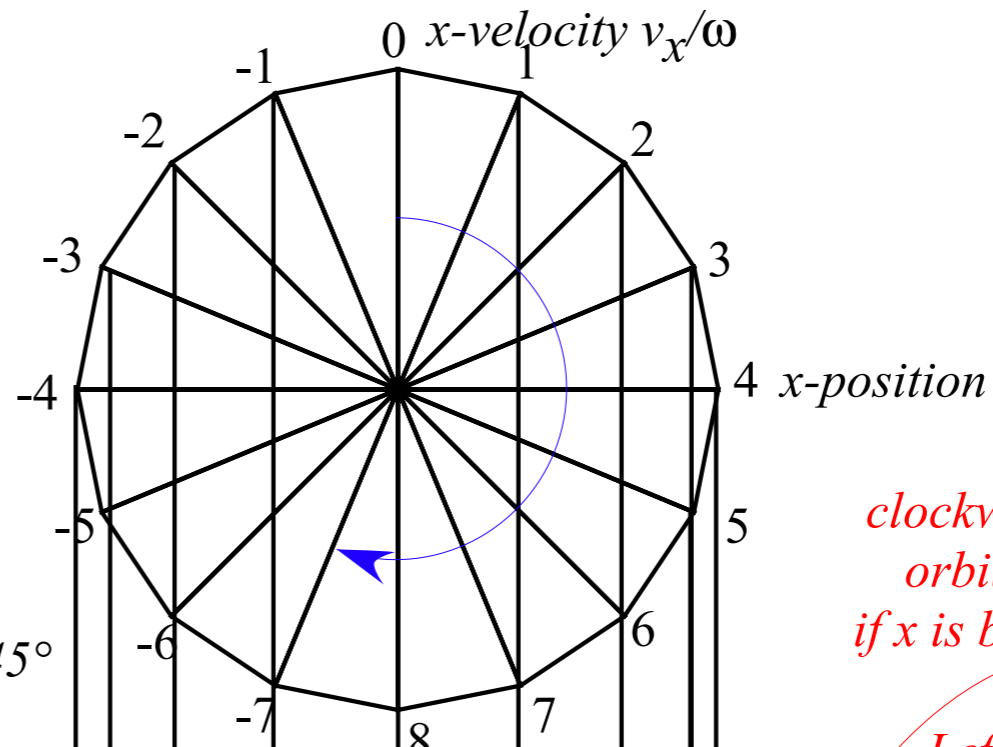
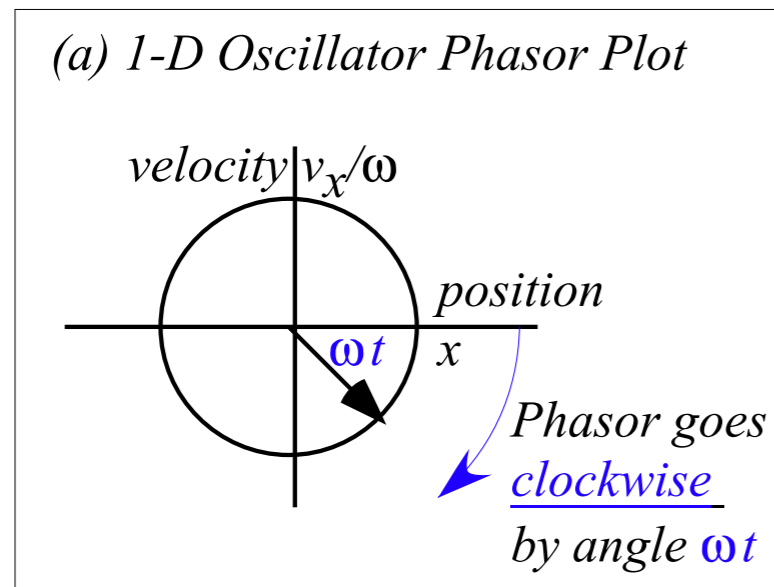
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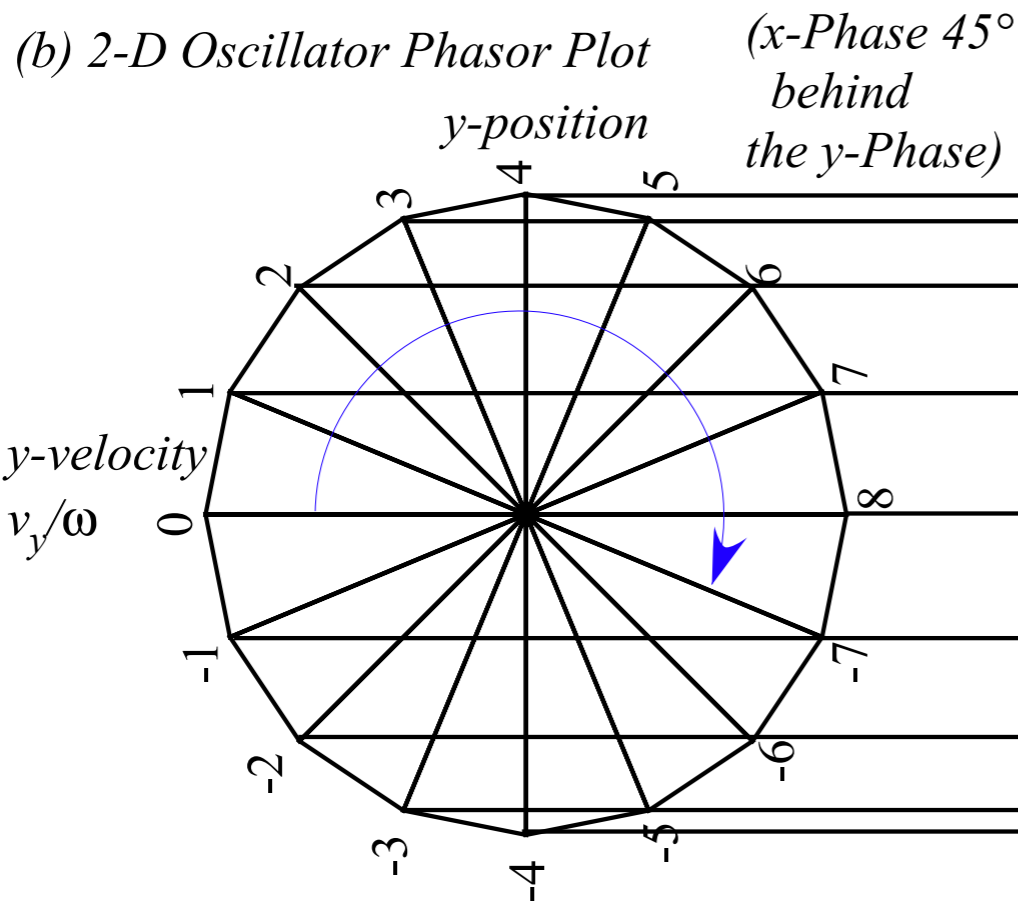
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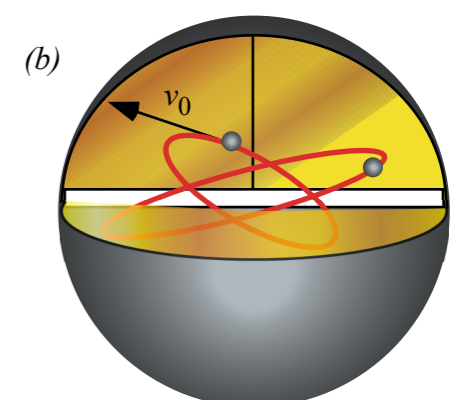
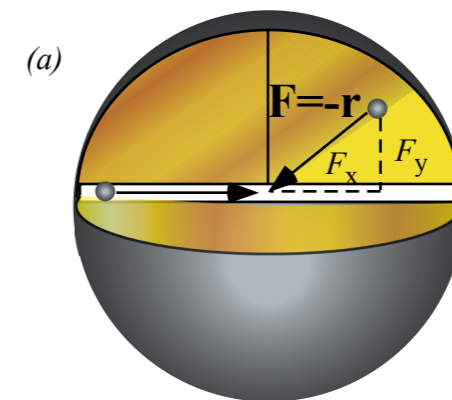
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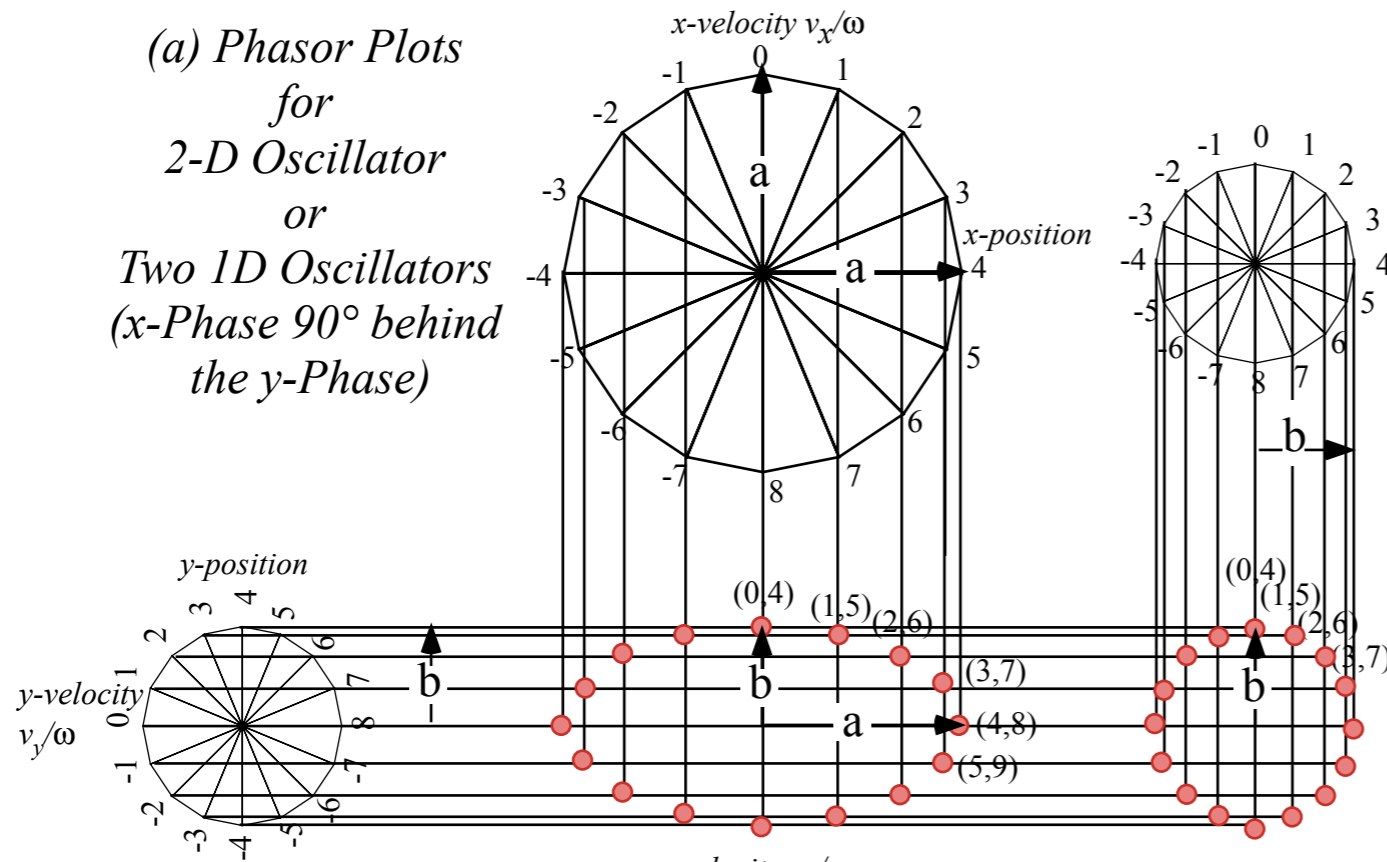
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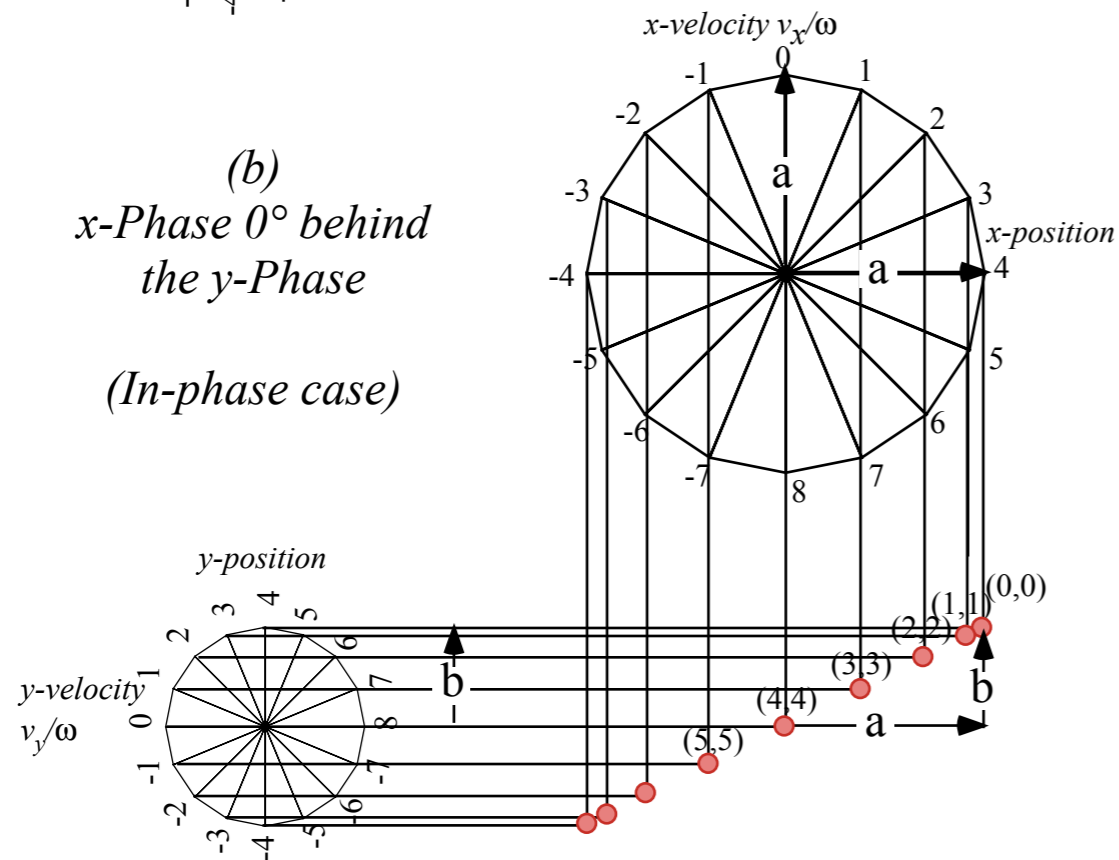




(a) Phasor Plots  
for  
2-D Oscillator  
or  
Two 1D Oscillators  
( $x$ -Phase  $90^\circ$  behind  
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(b)  
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(In-phase case)



*These are more generic examples  
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