

An introduction to Glimm functional

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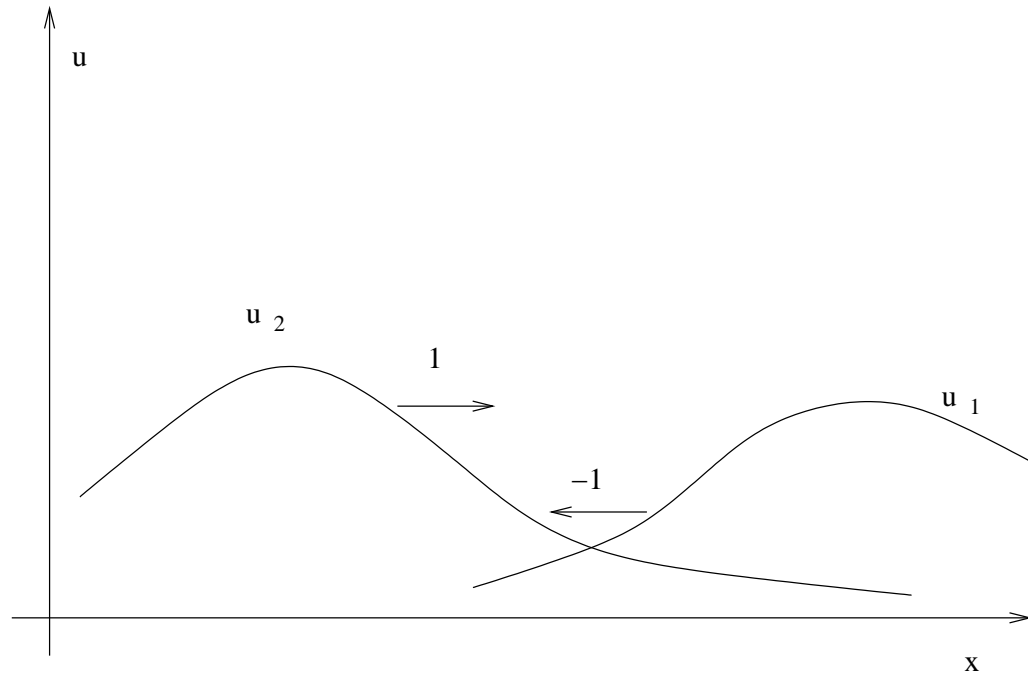
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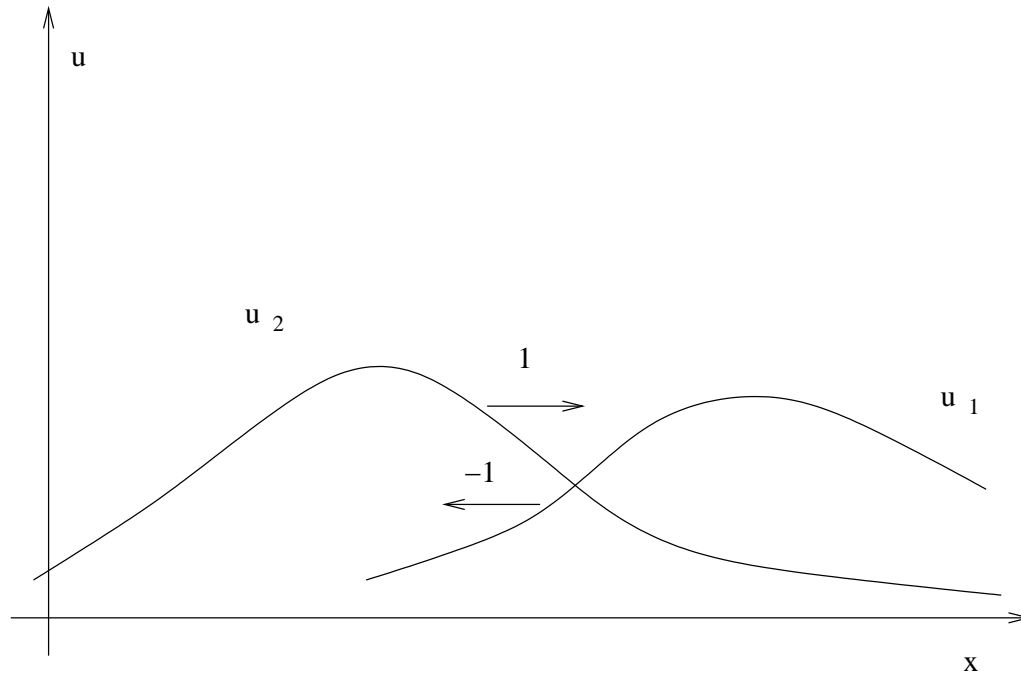
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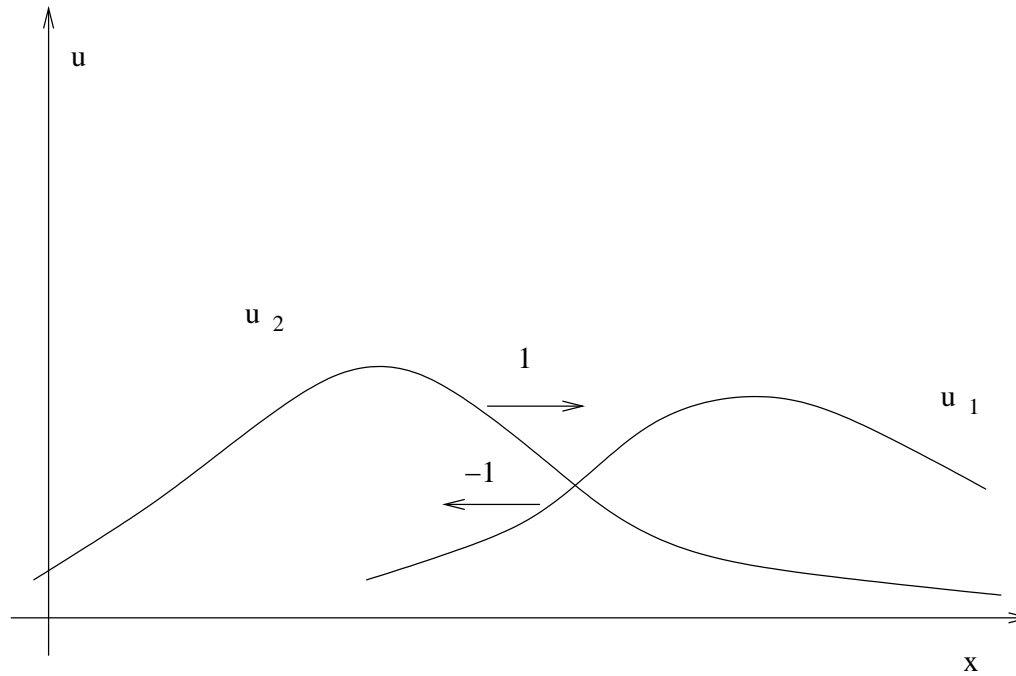
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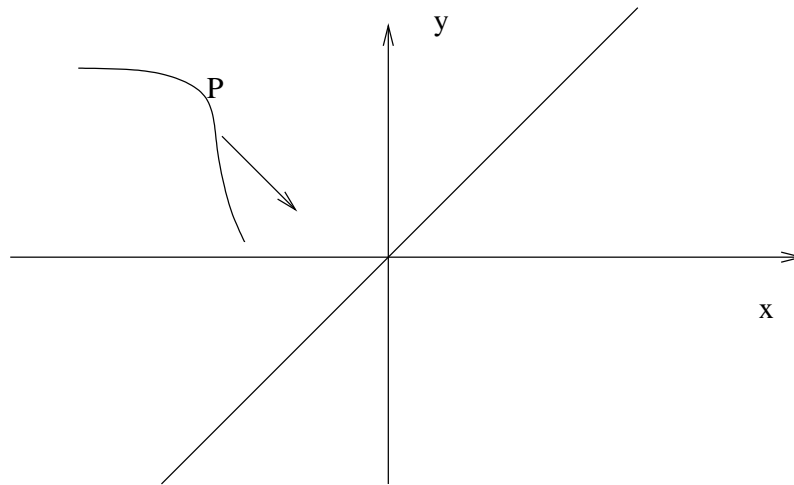
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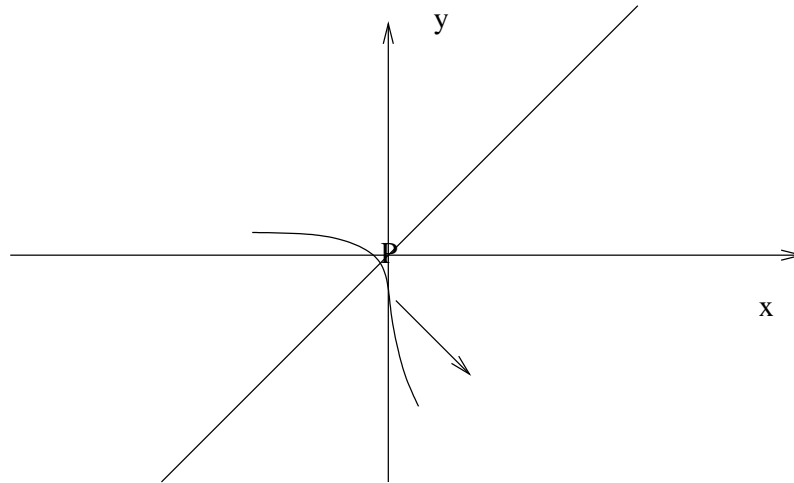


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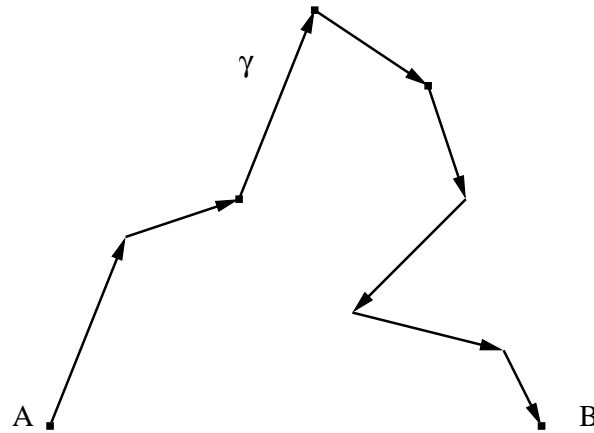
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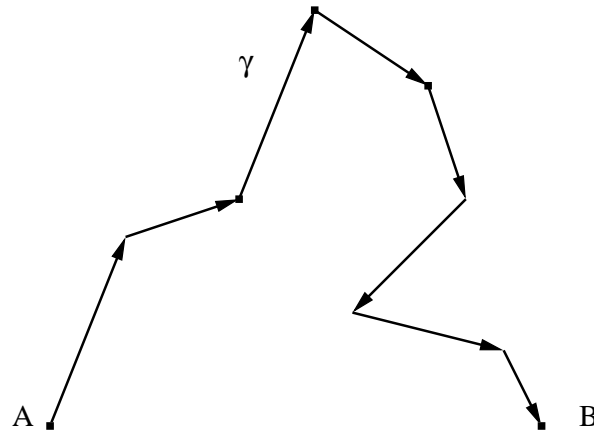
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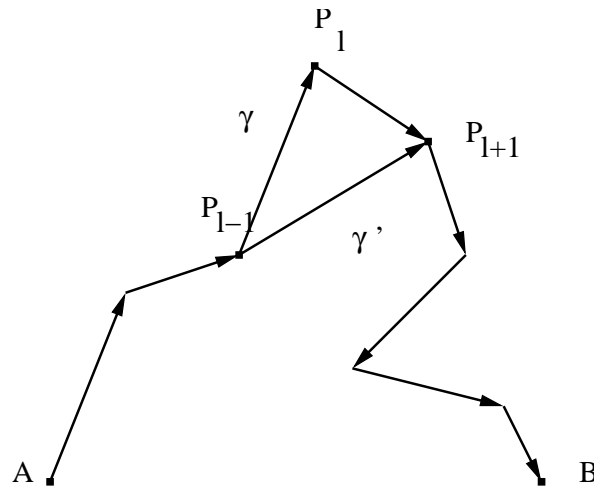


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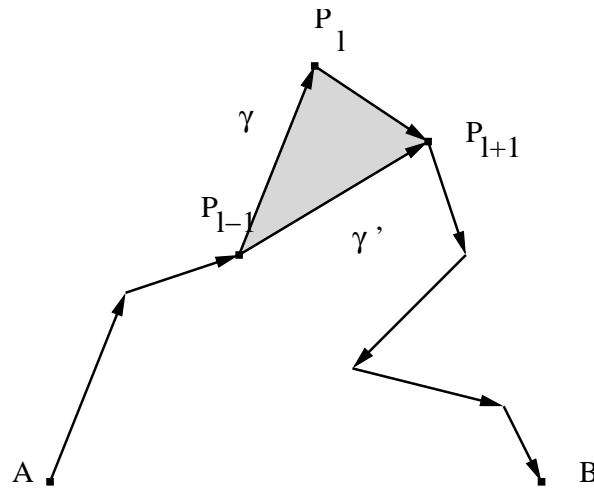


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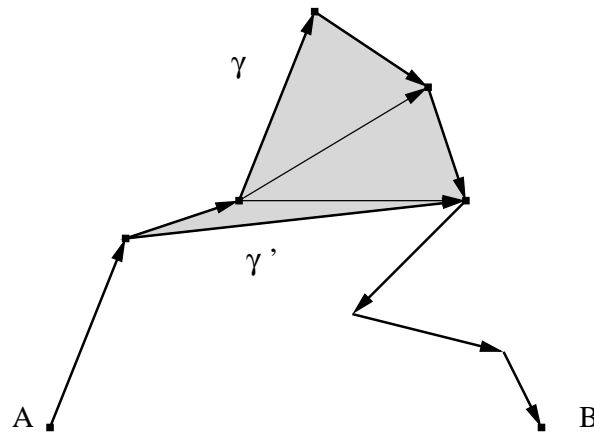


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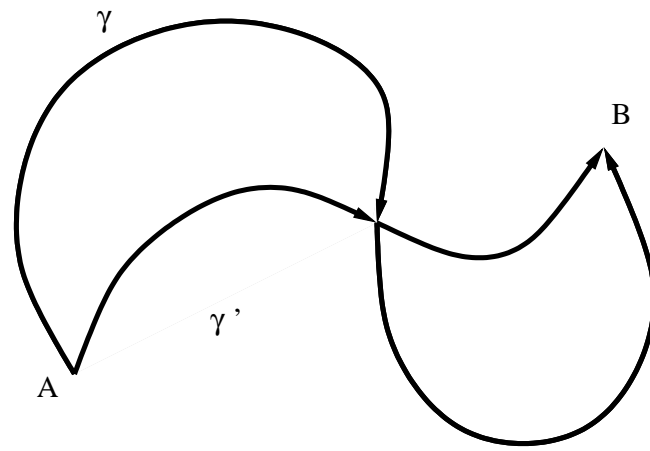
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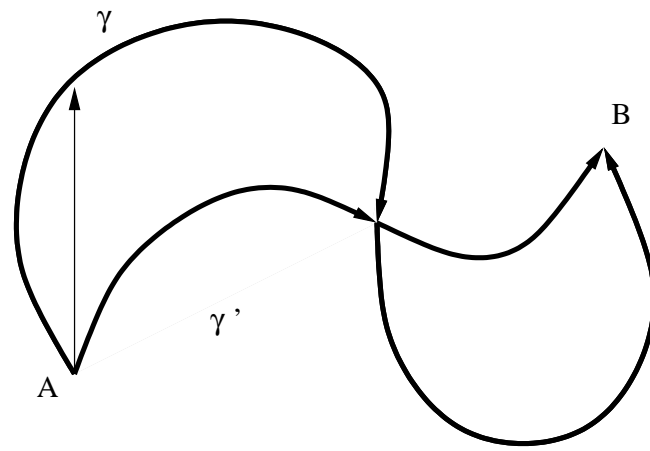
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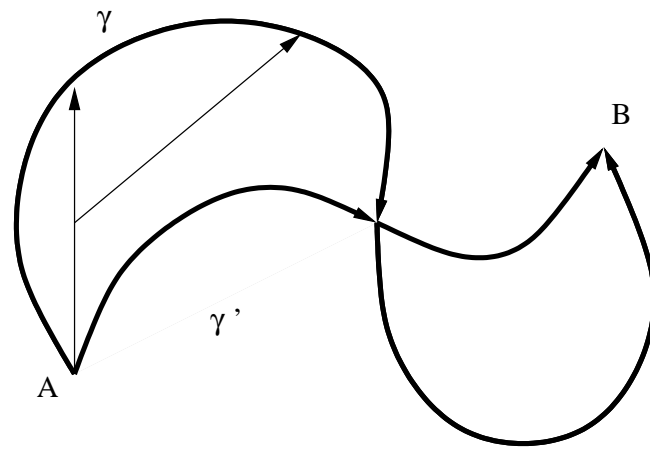
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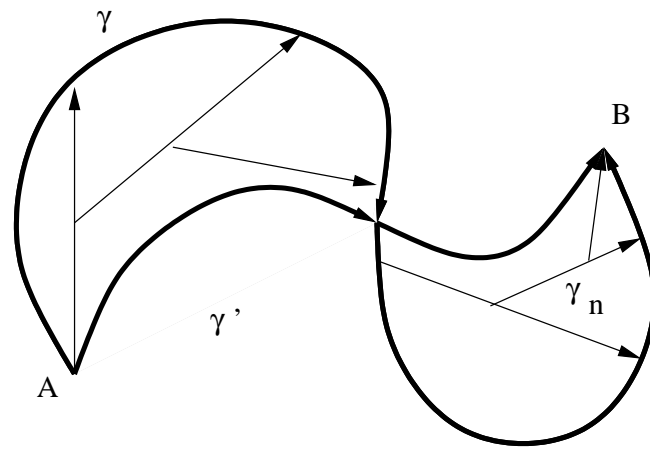
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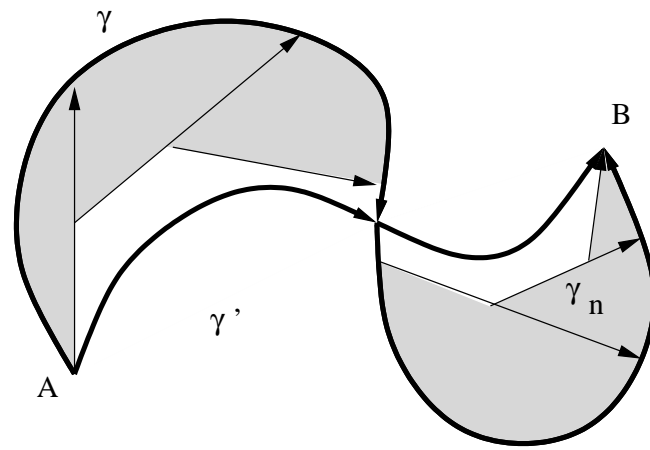
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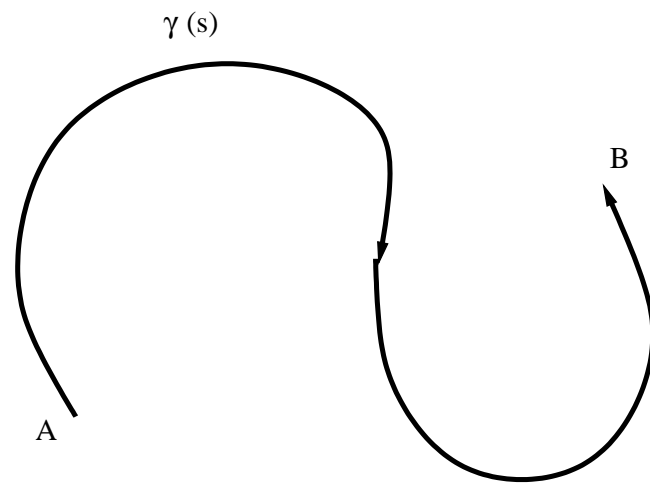


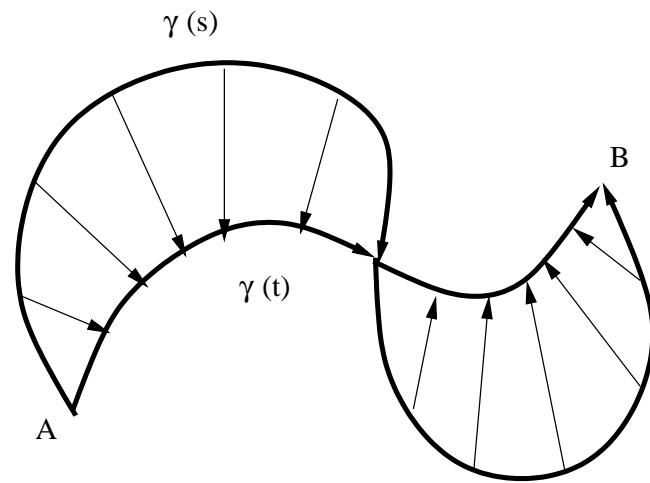


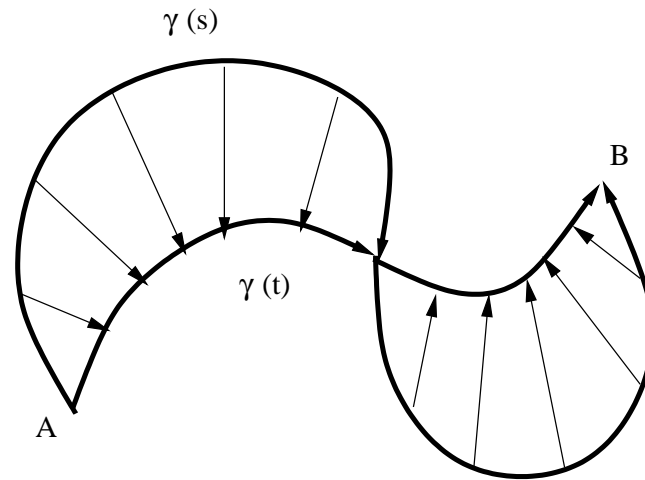




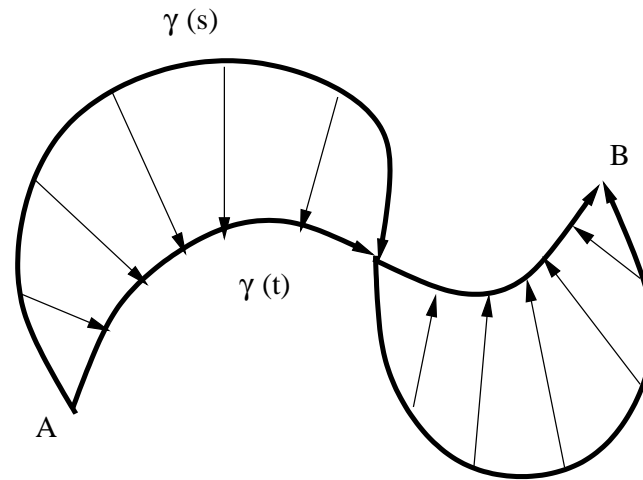








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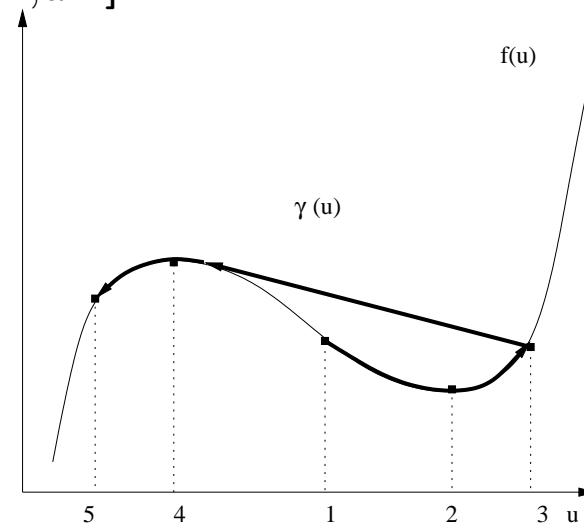
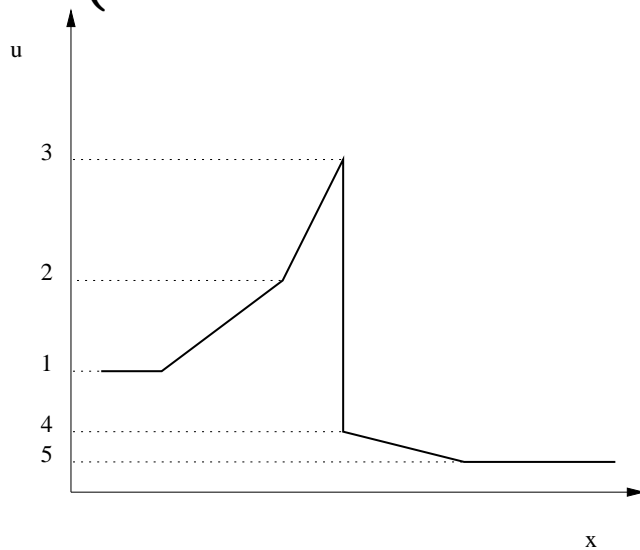
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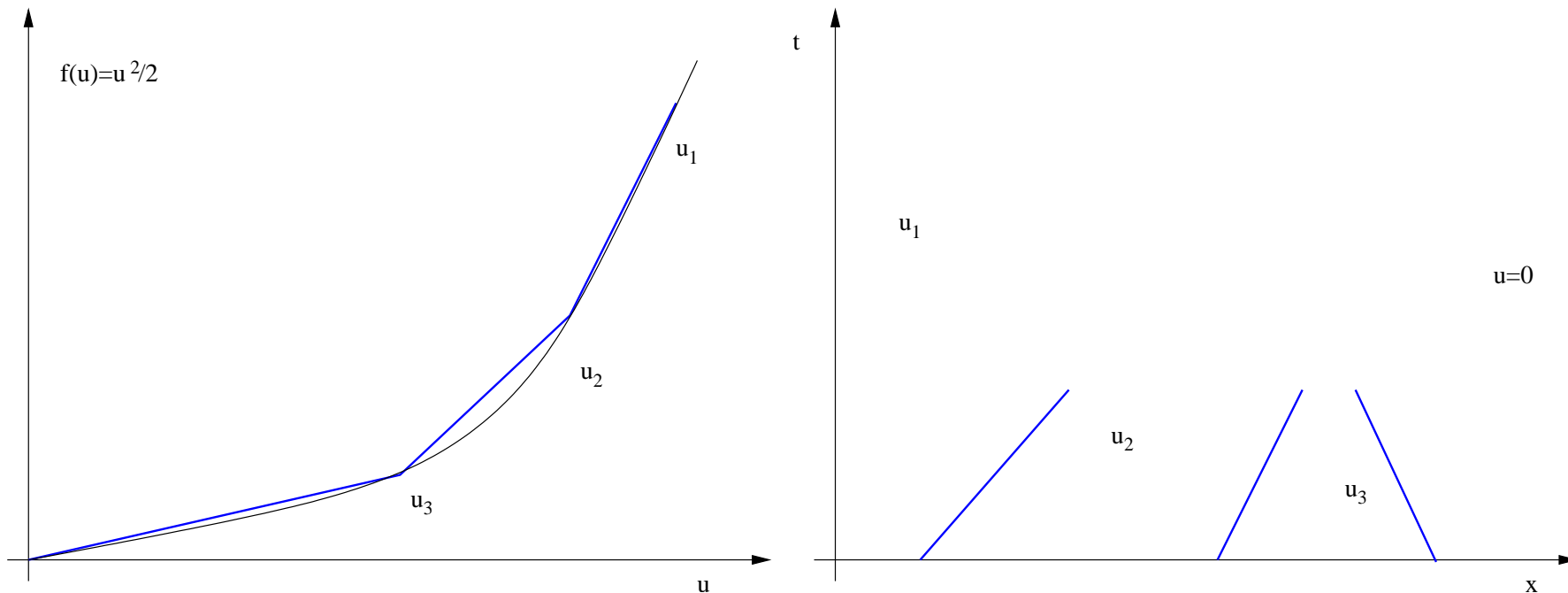
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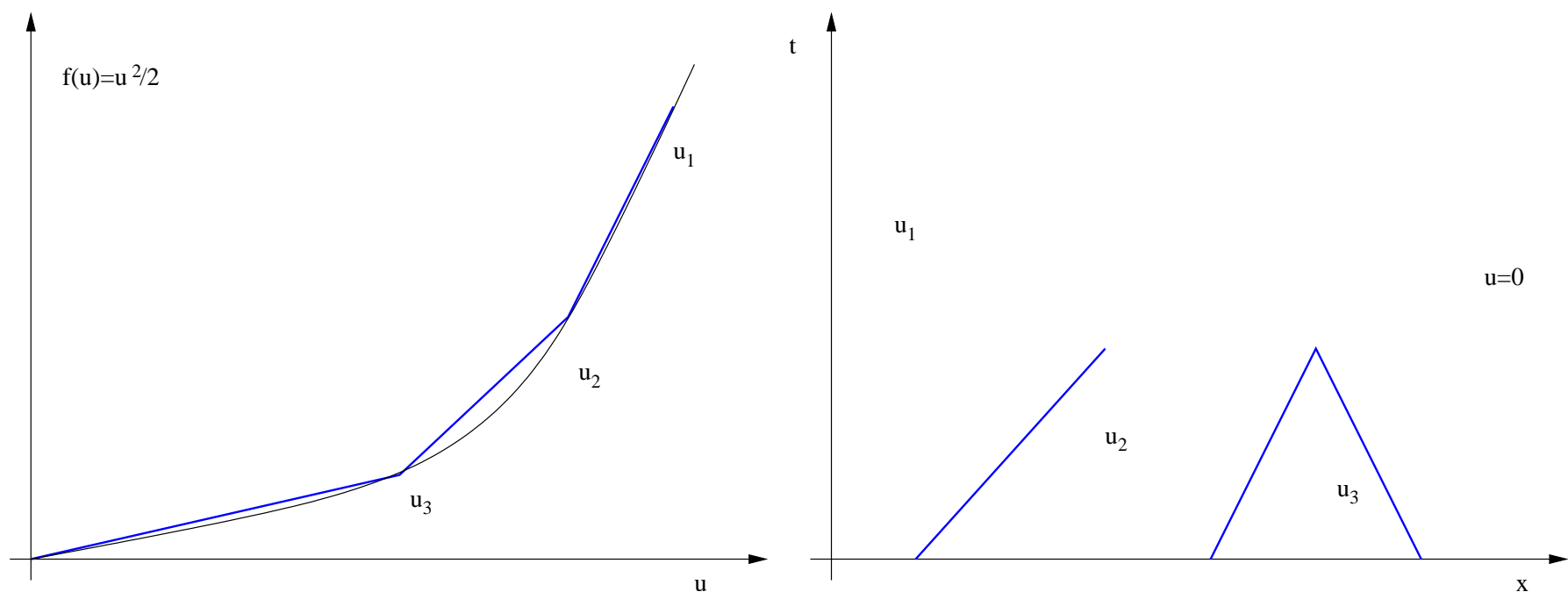
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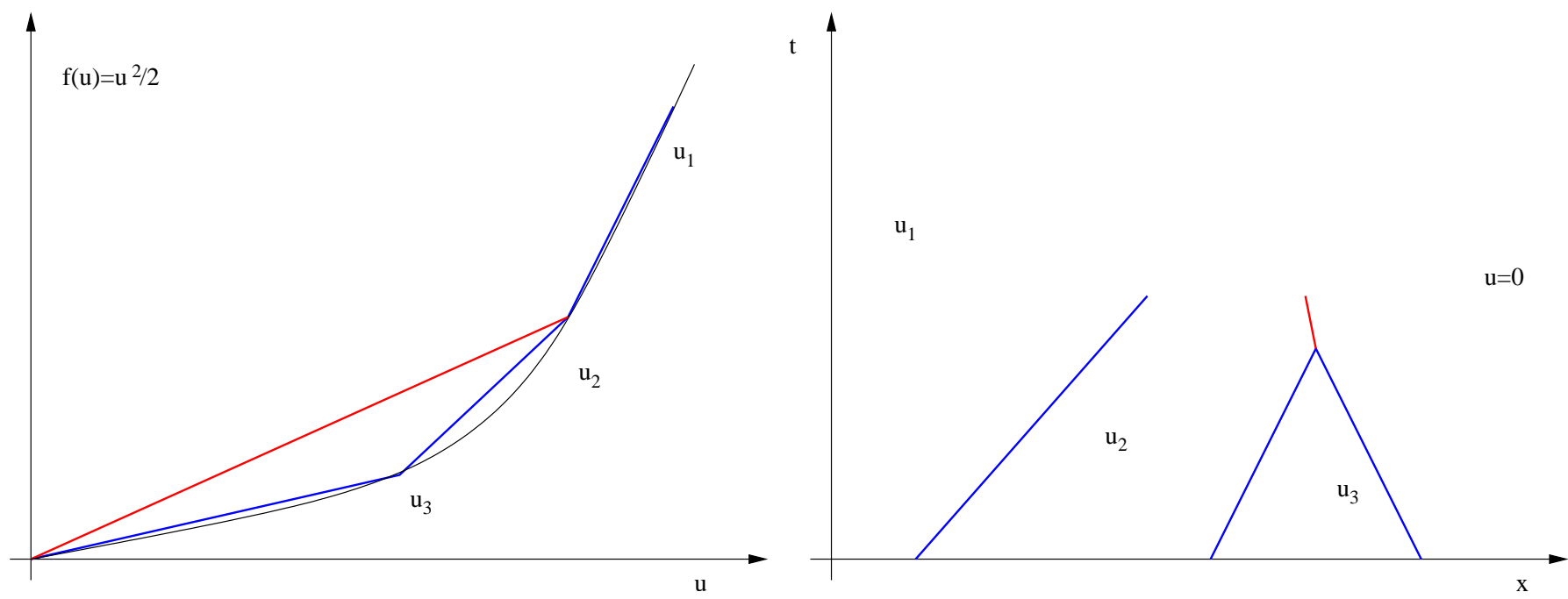
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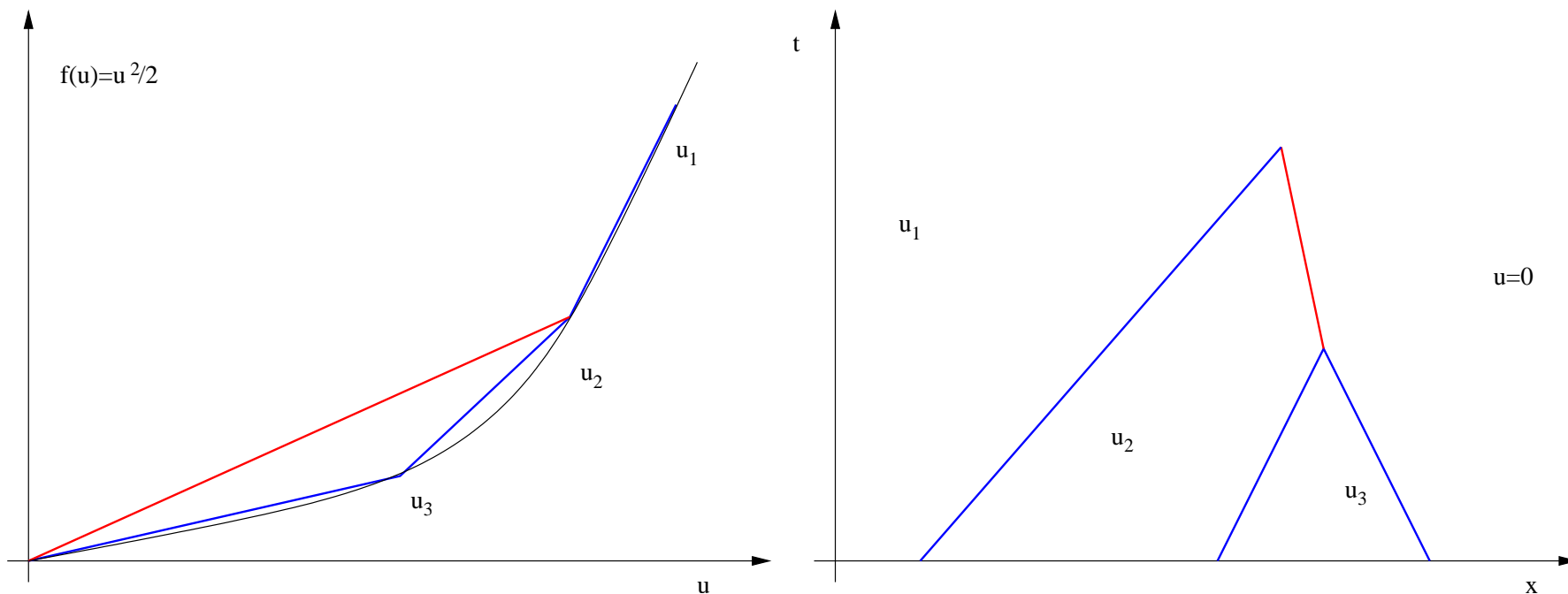
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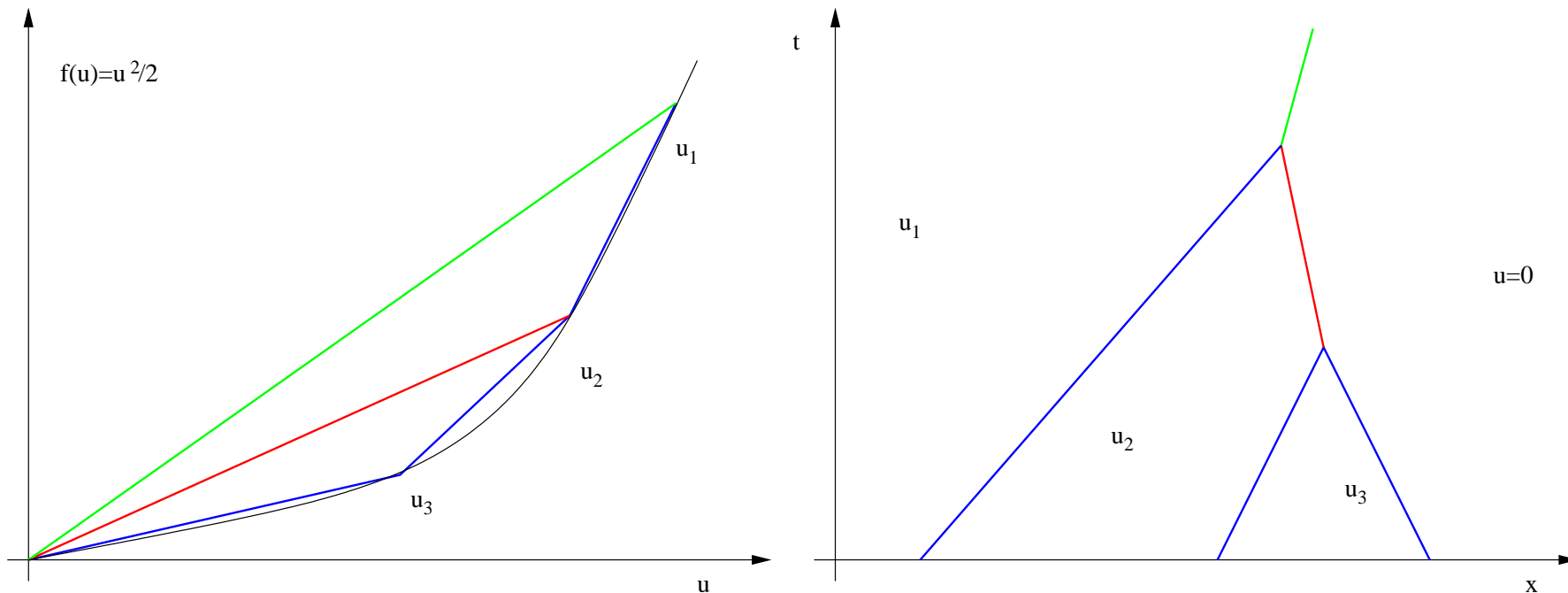
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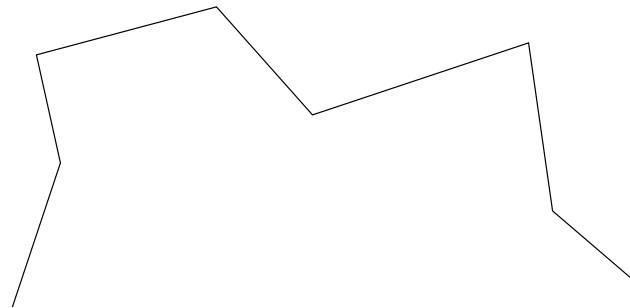
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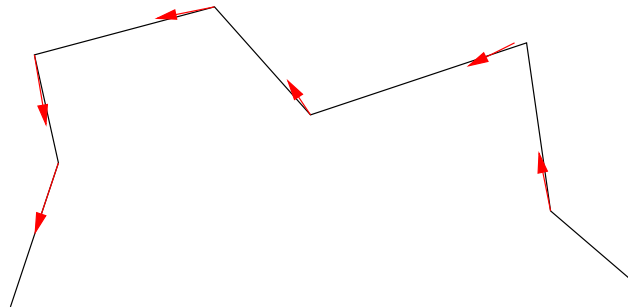


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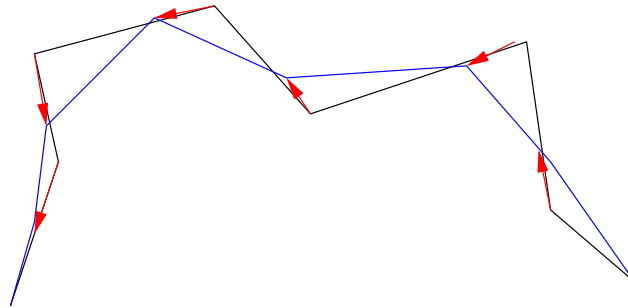


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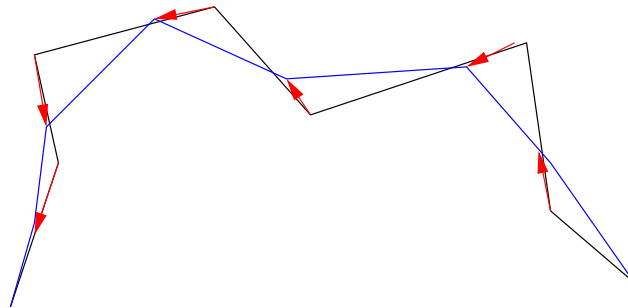


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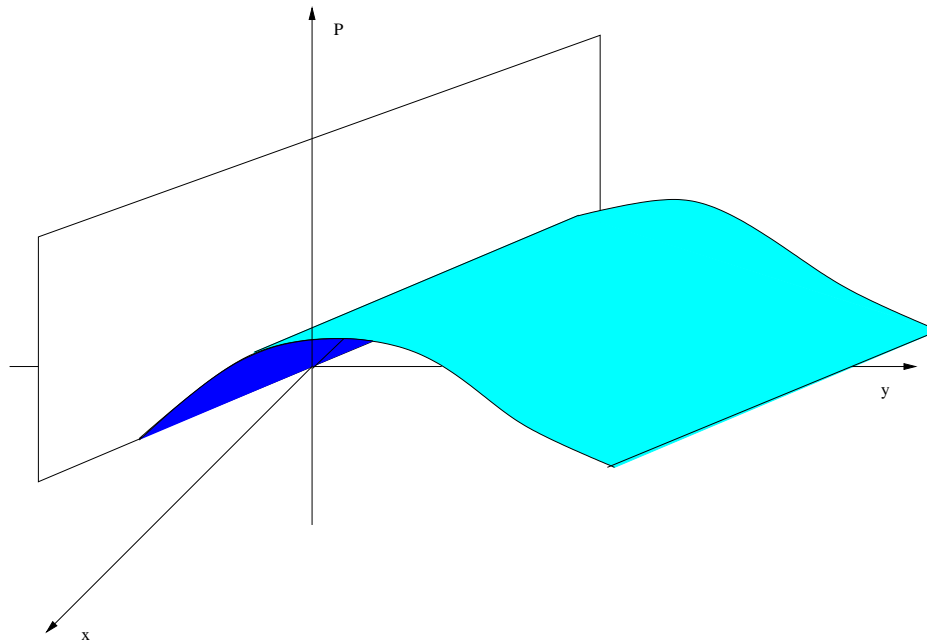
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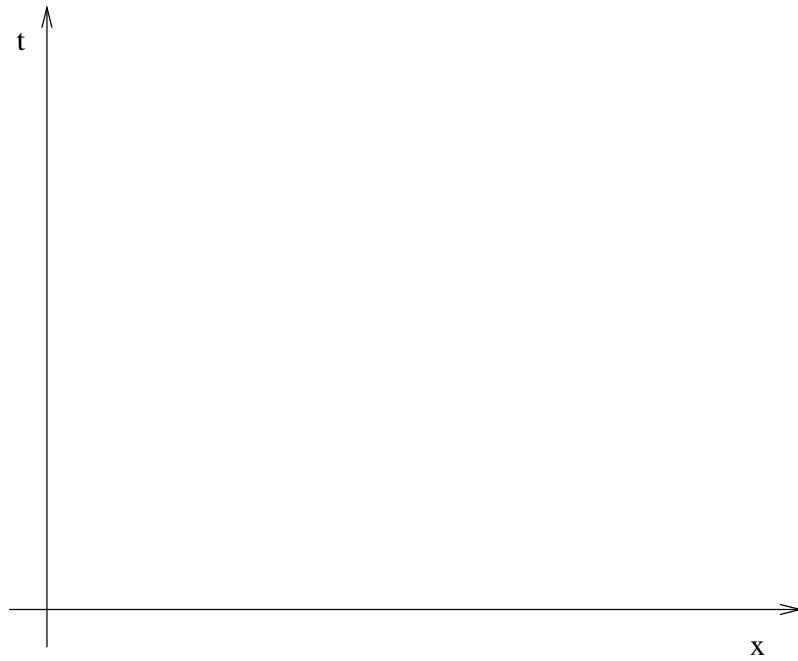
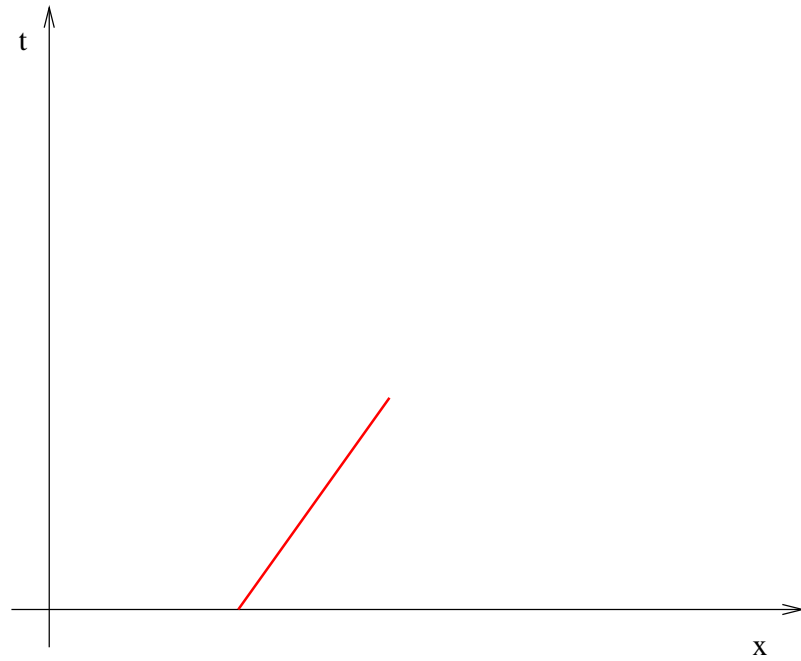
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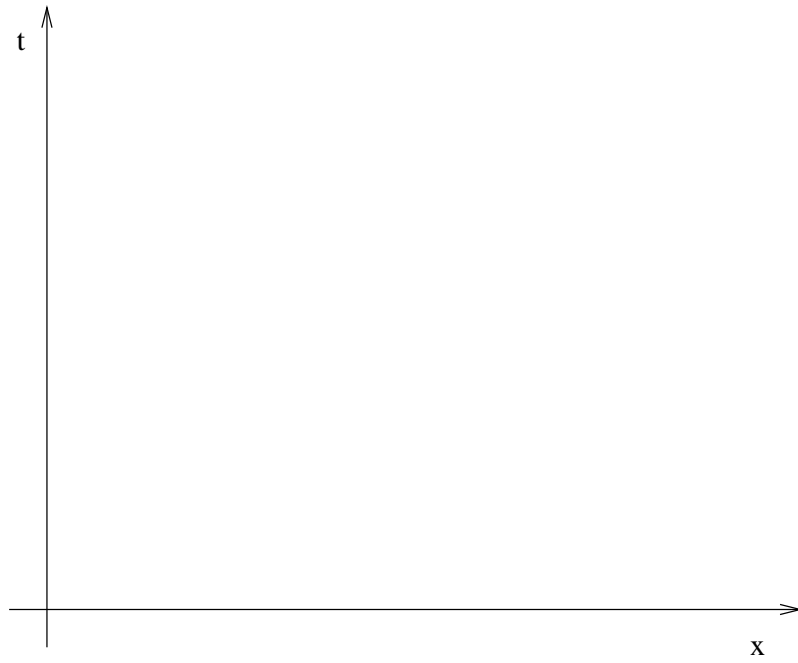
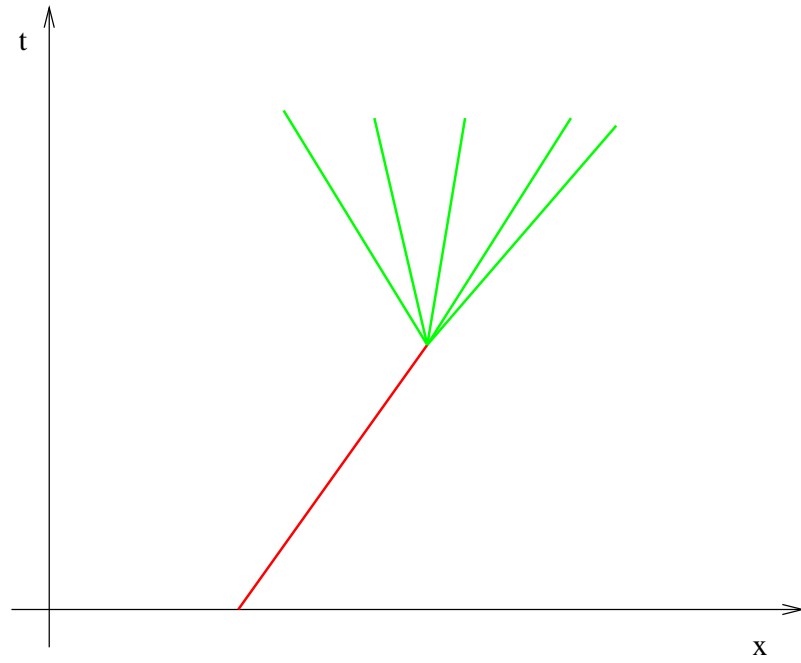
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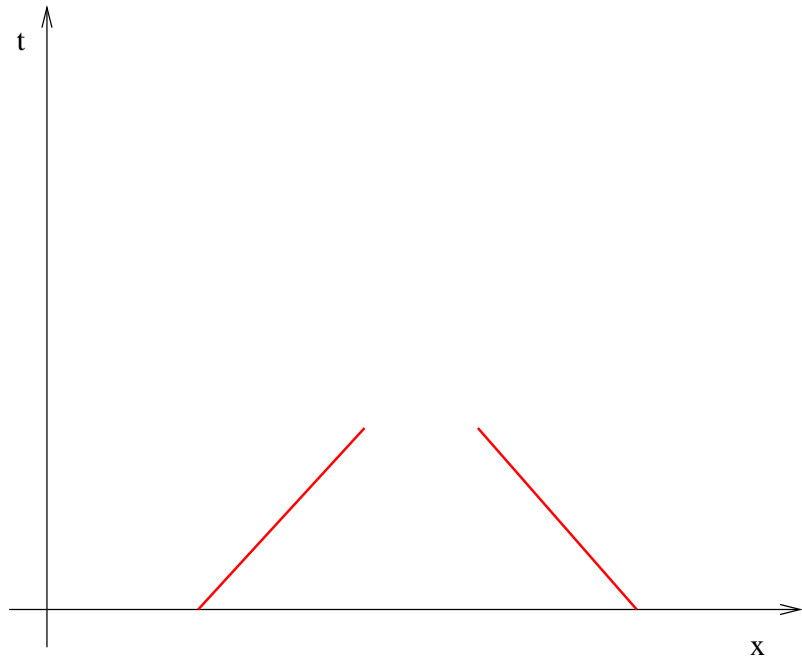
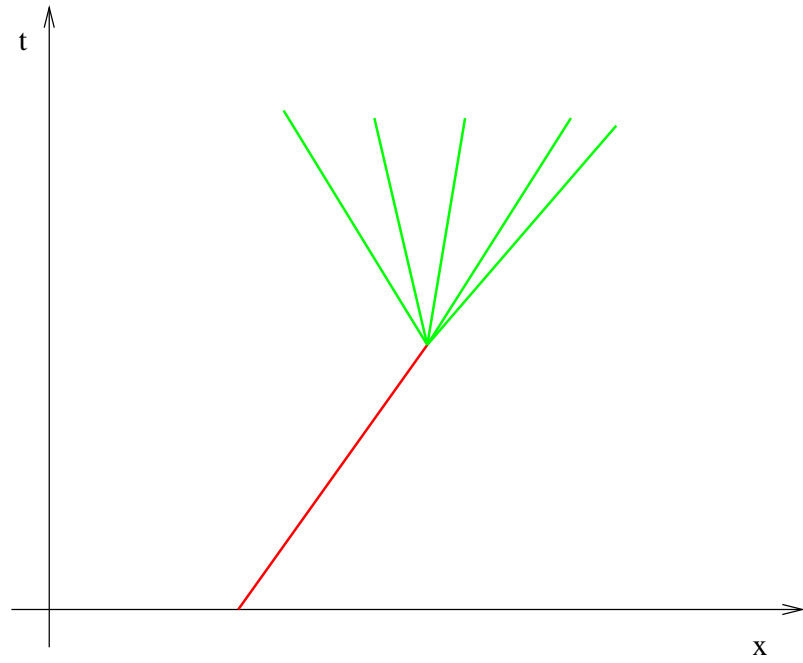
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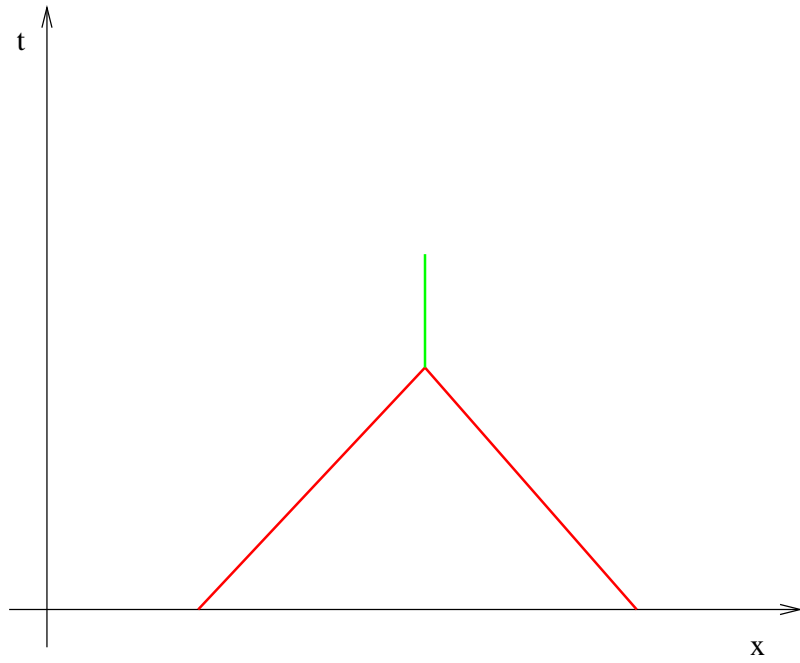
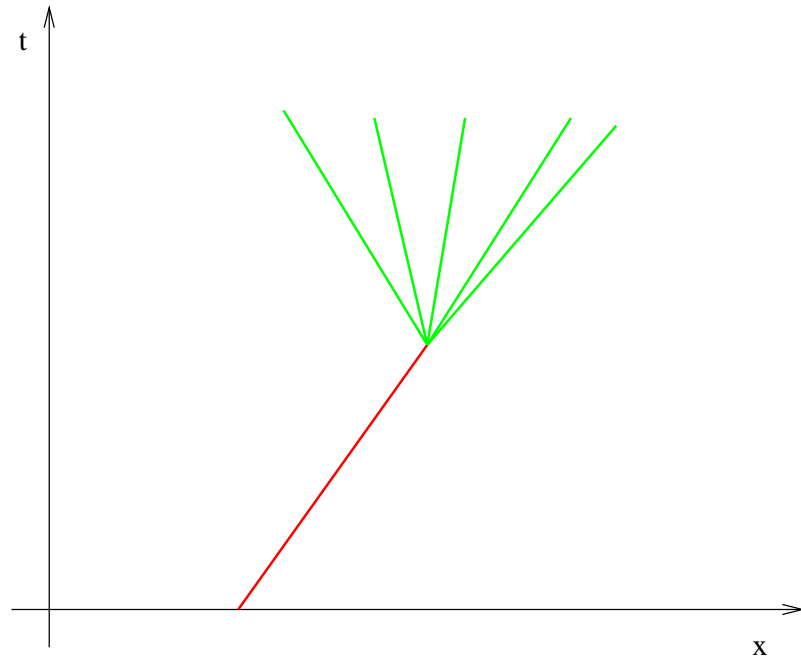
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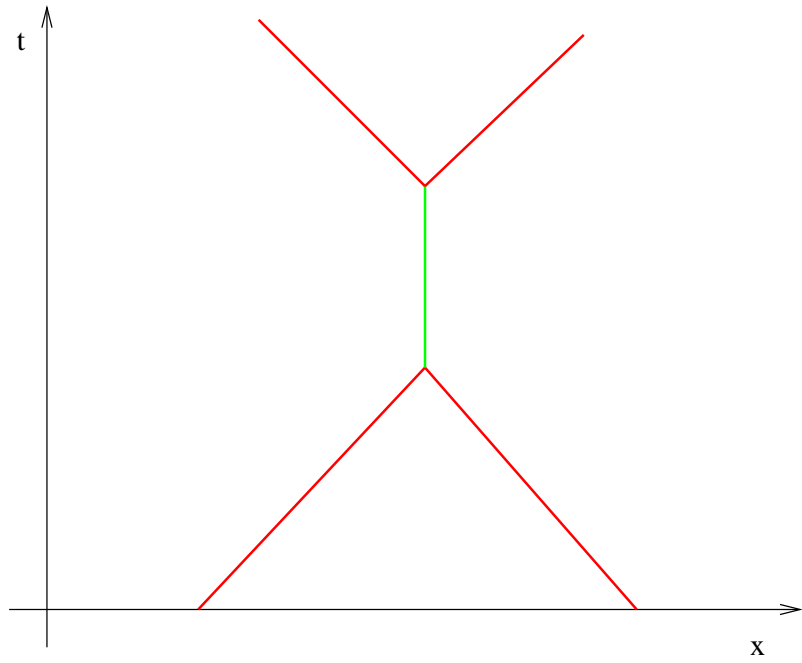
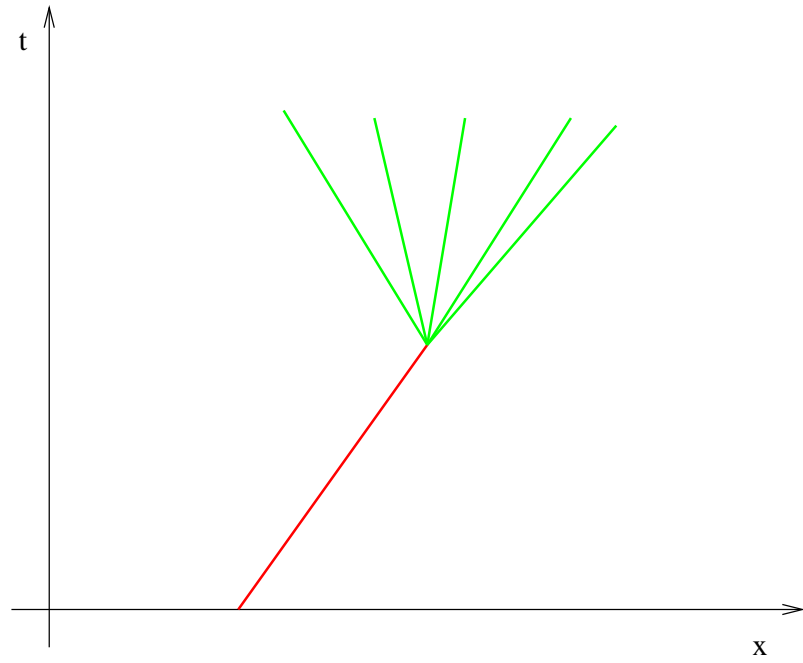
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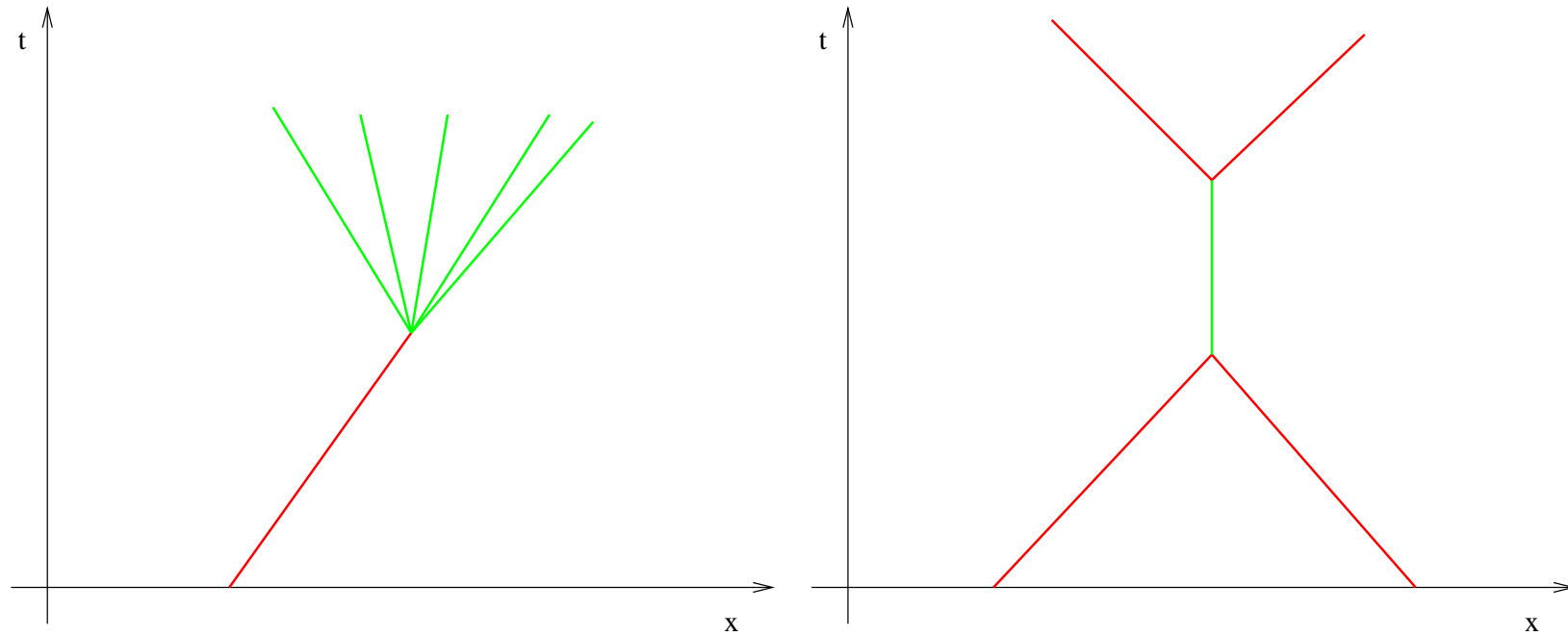












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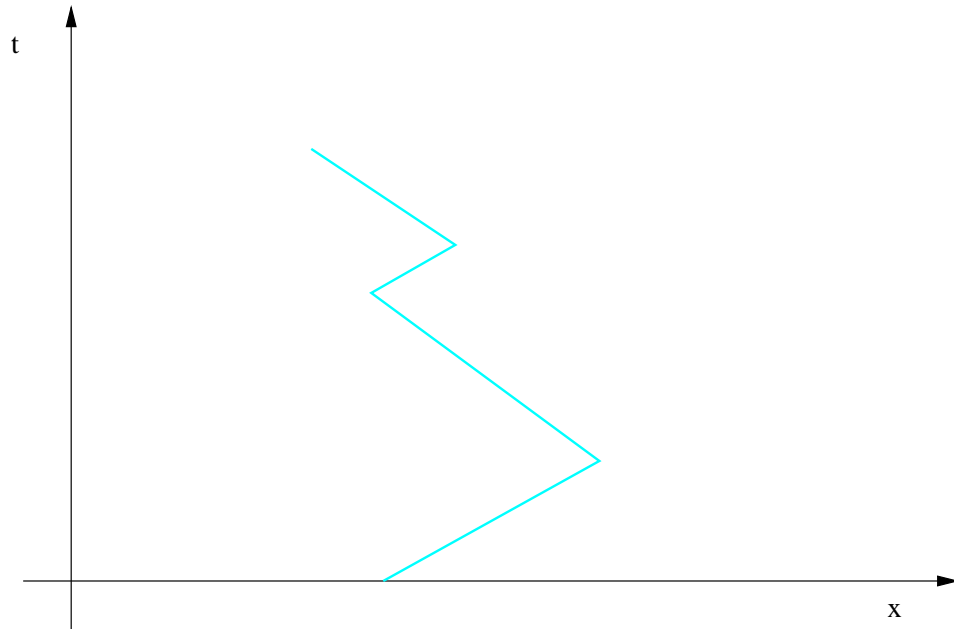
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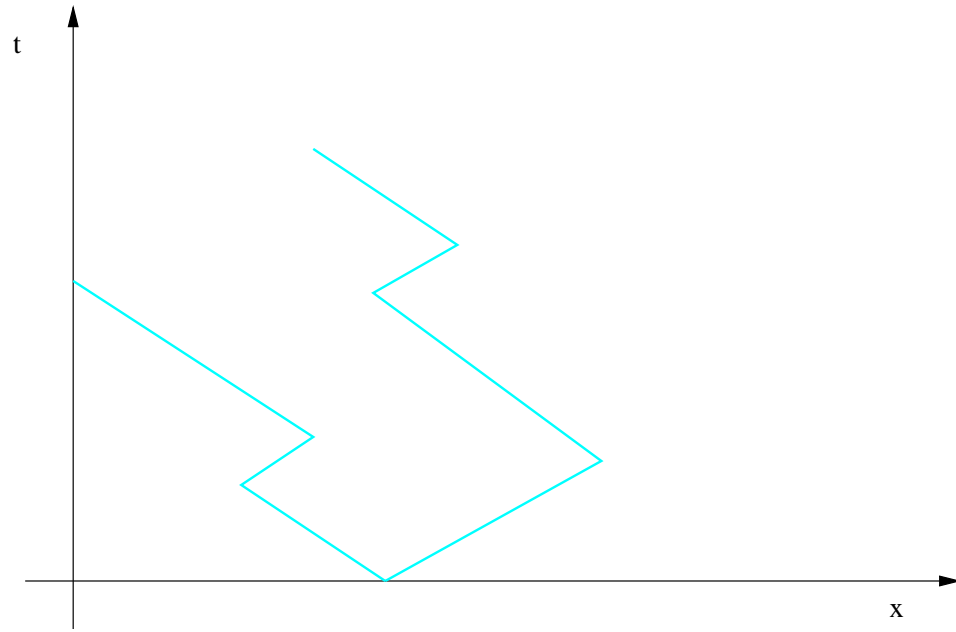
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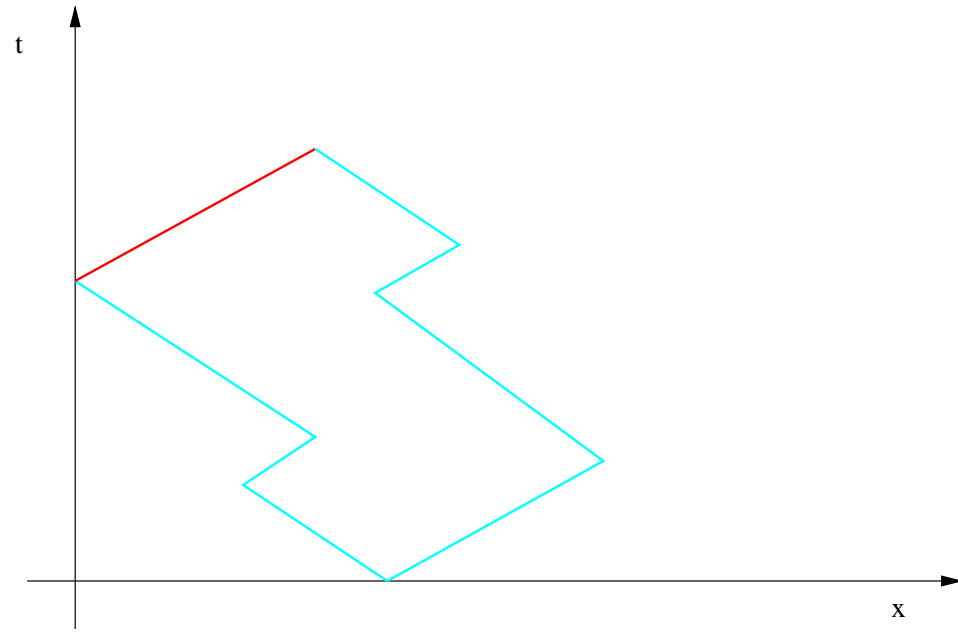
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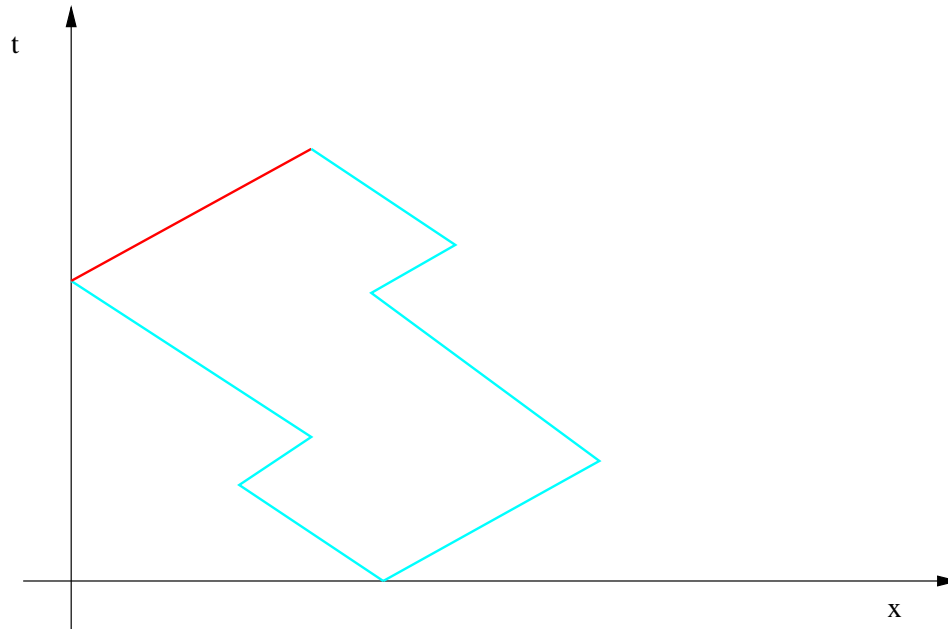
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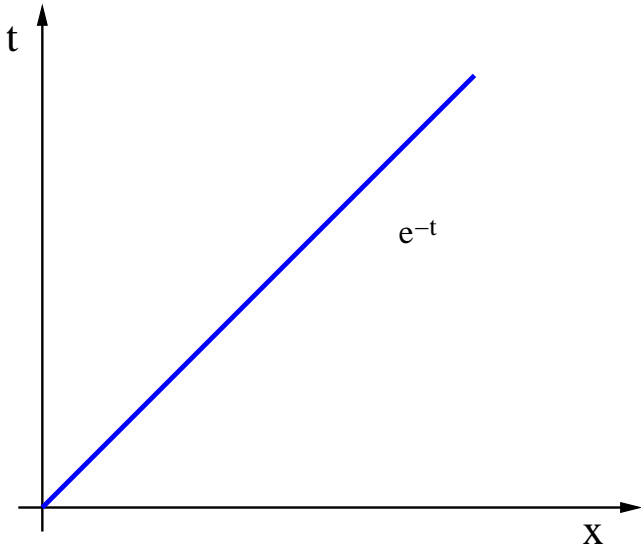
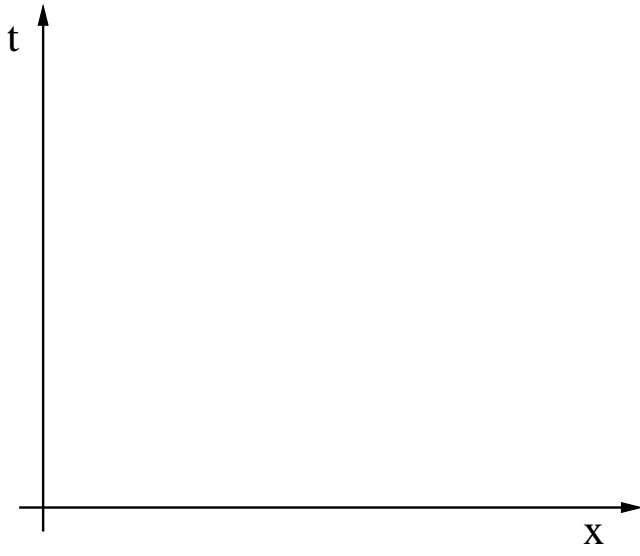
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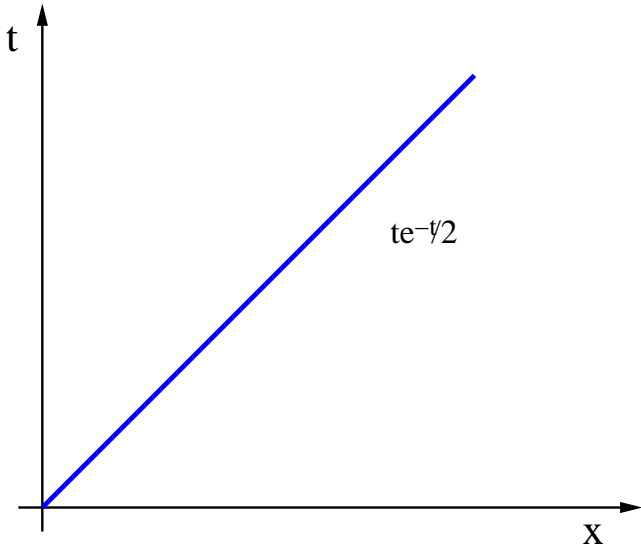
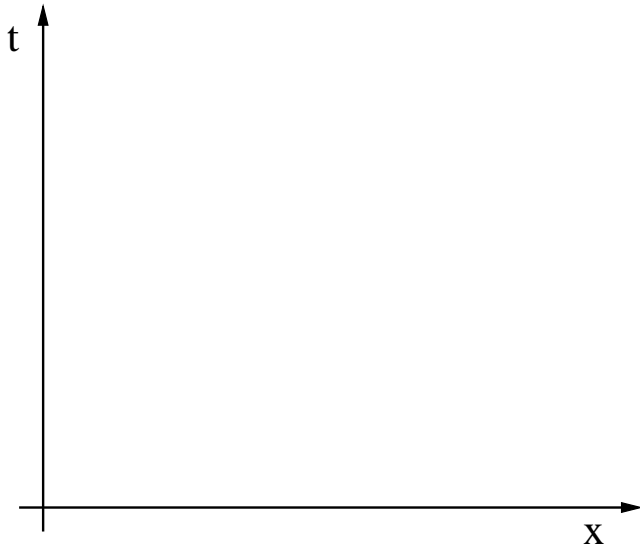
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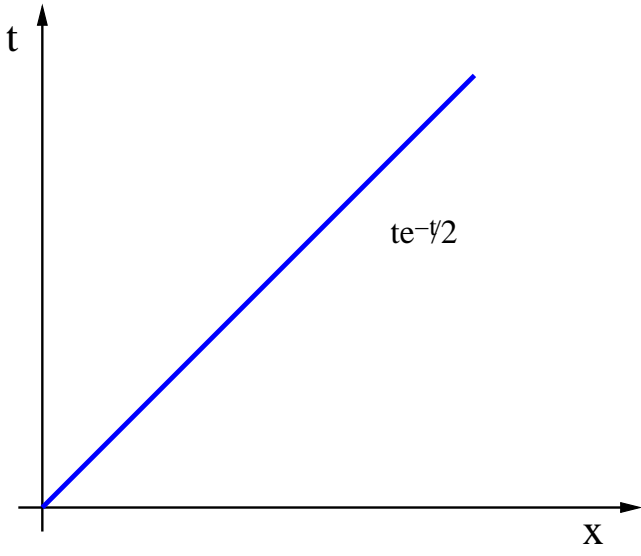
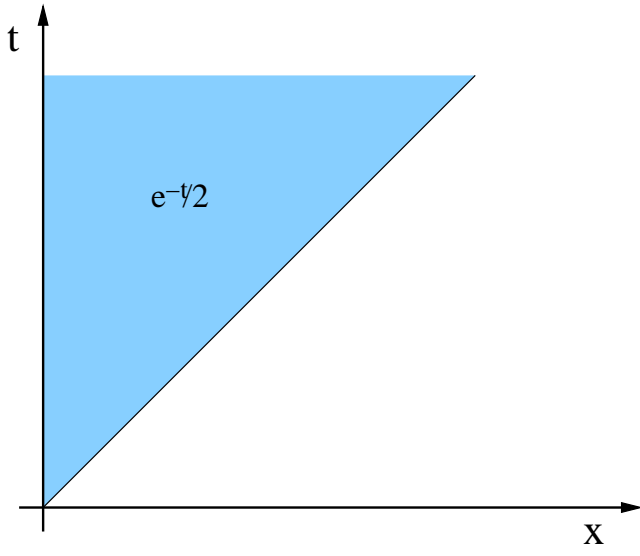
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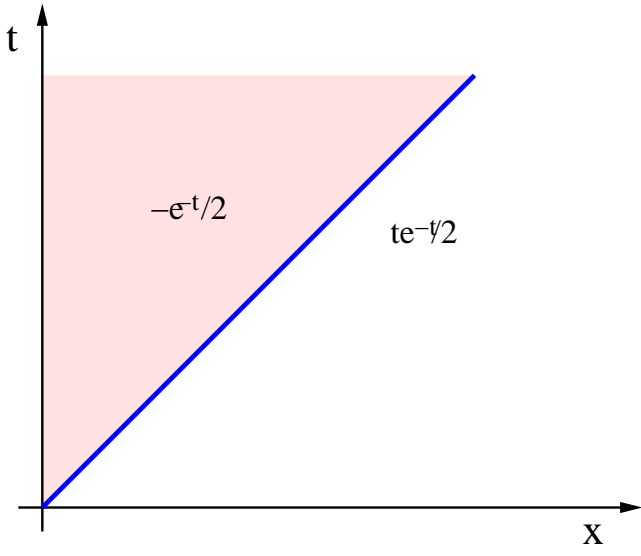
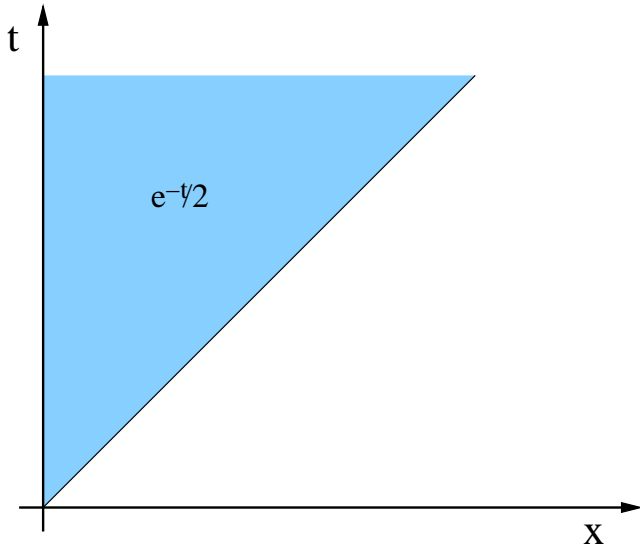
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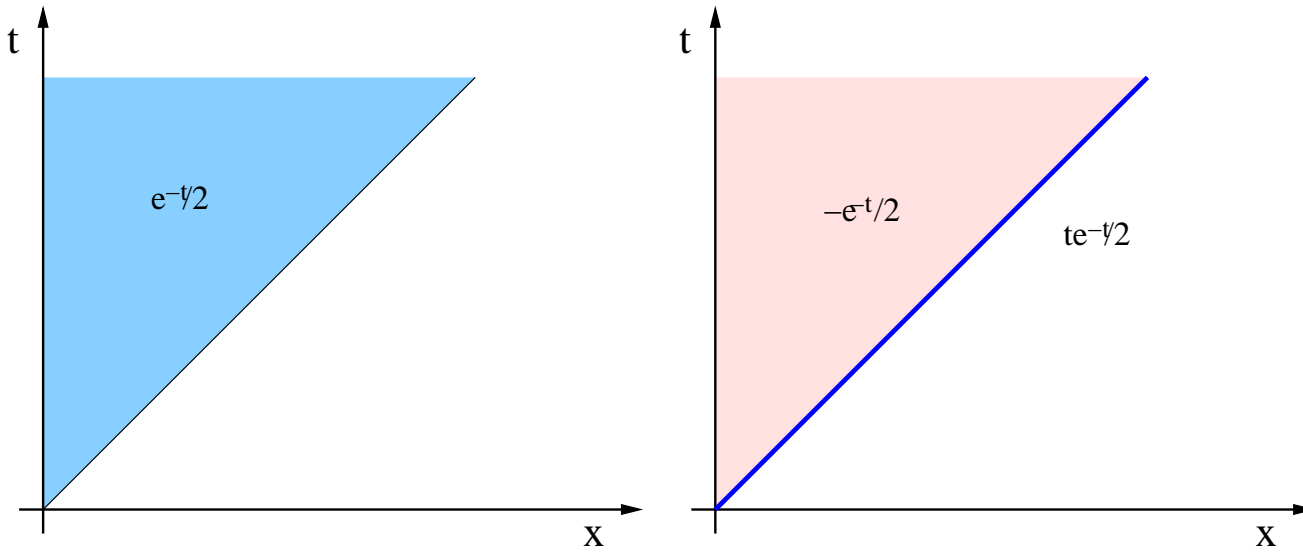
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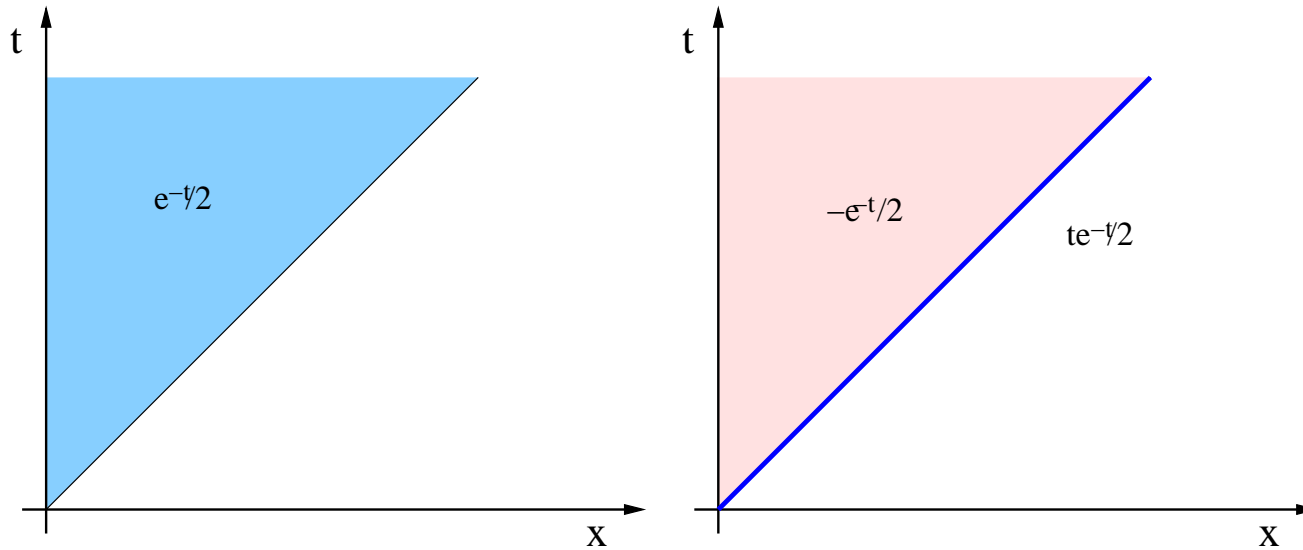








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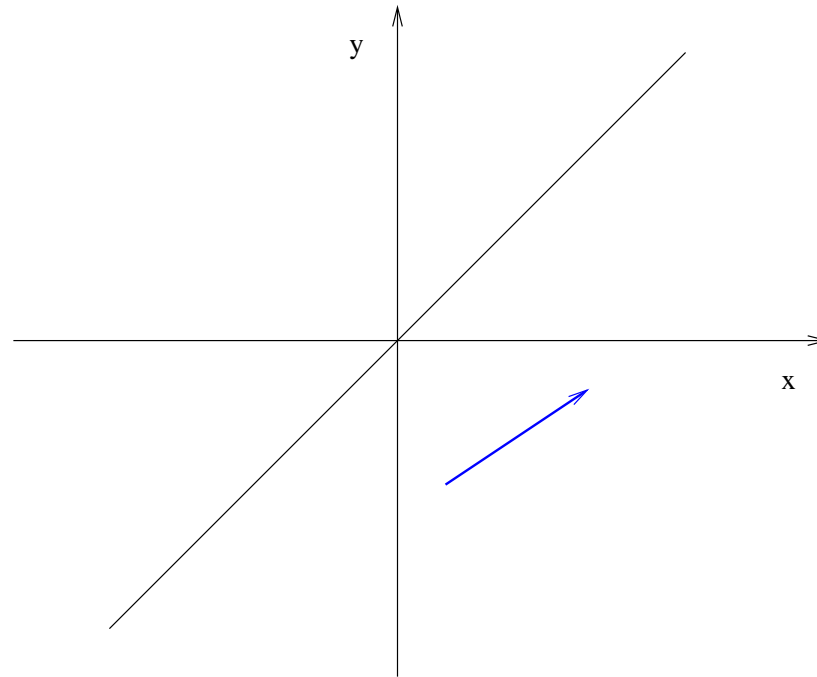
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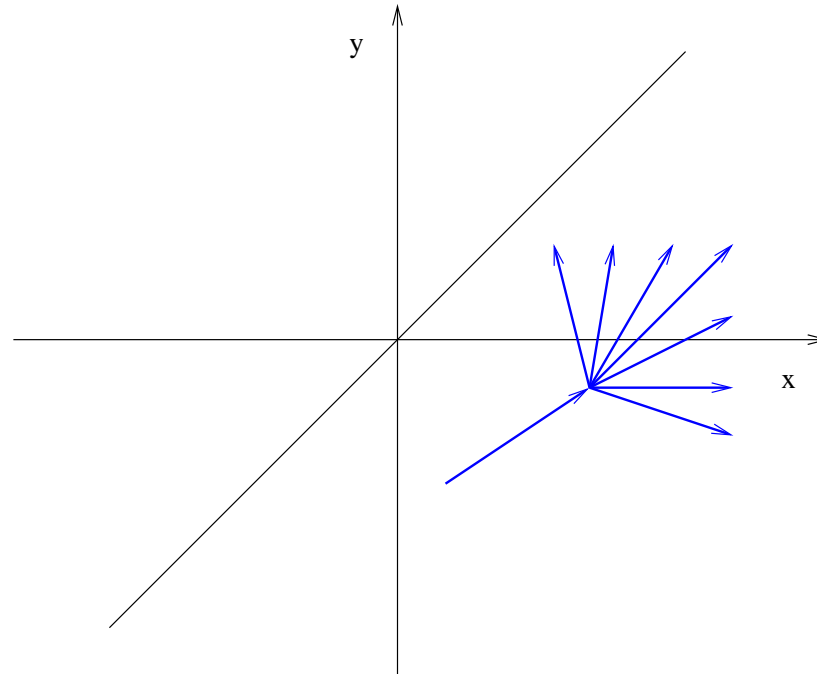
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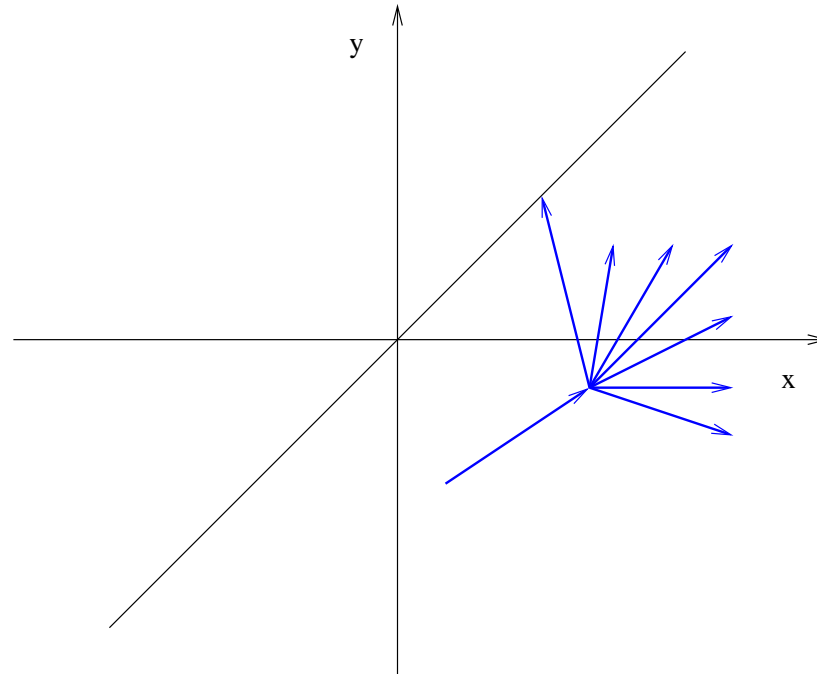
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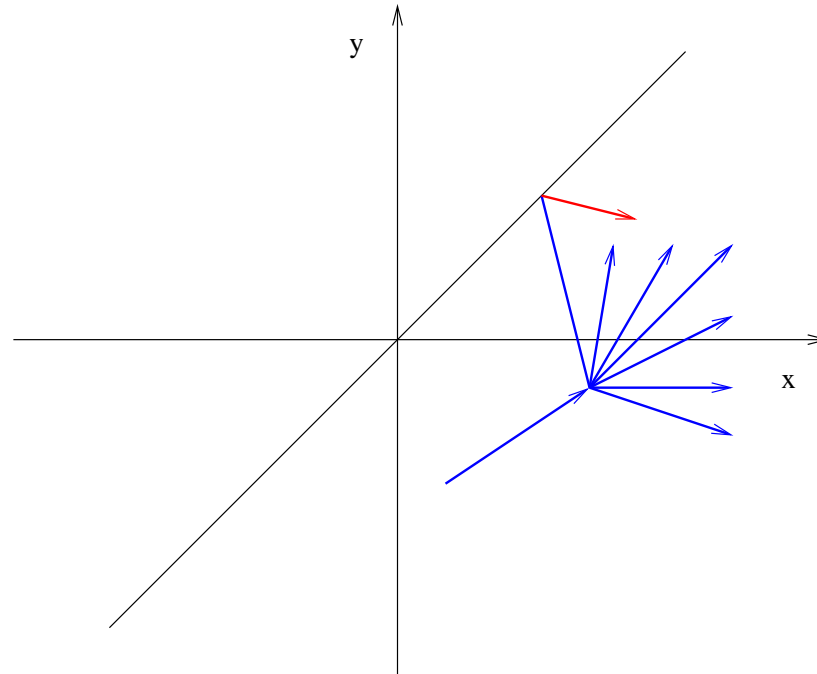
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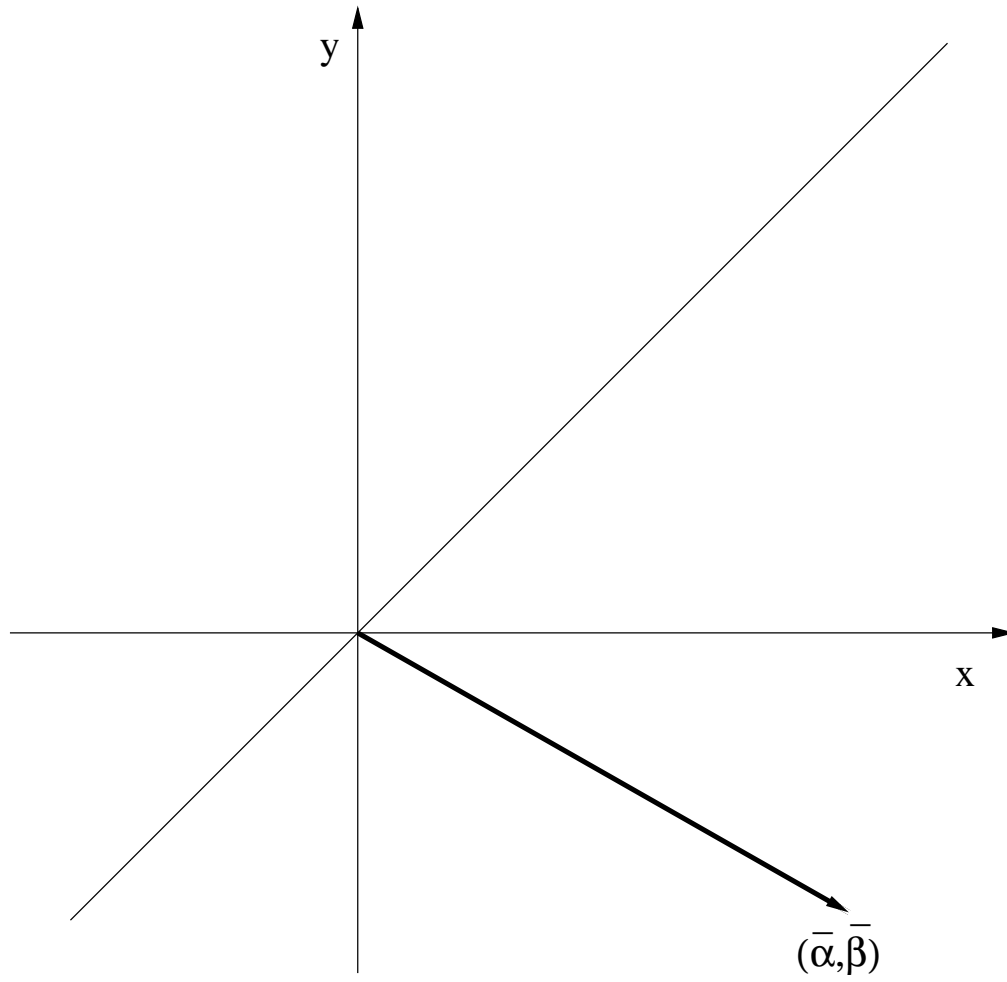
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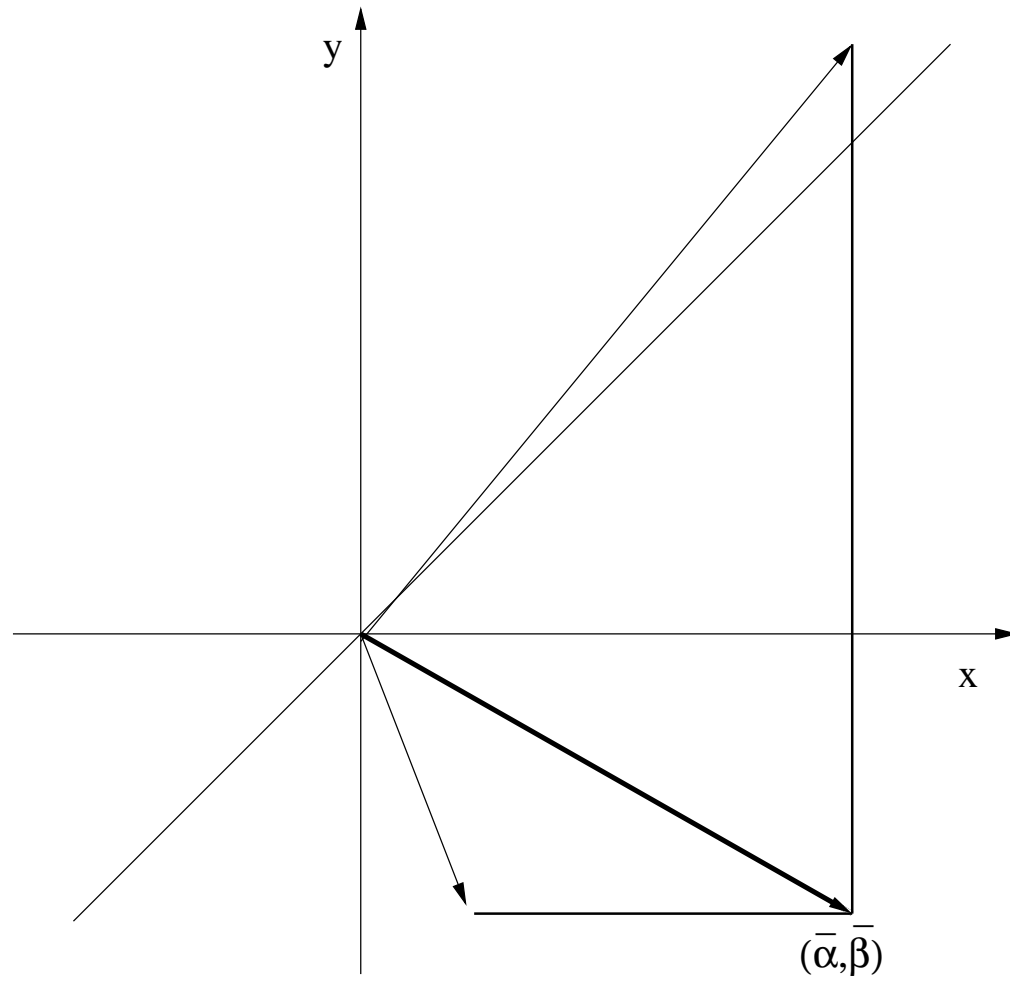
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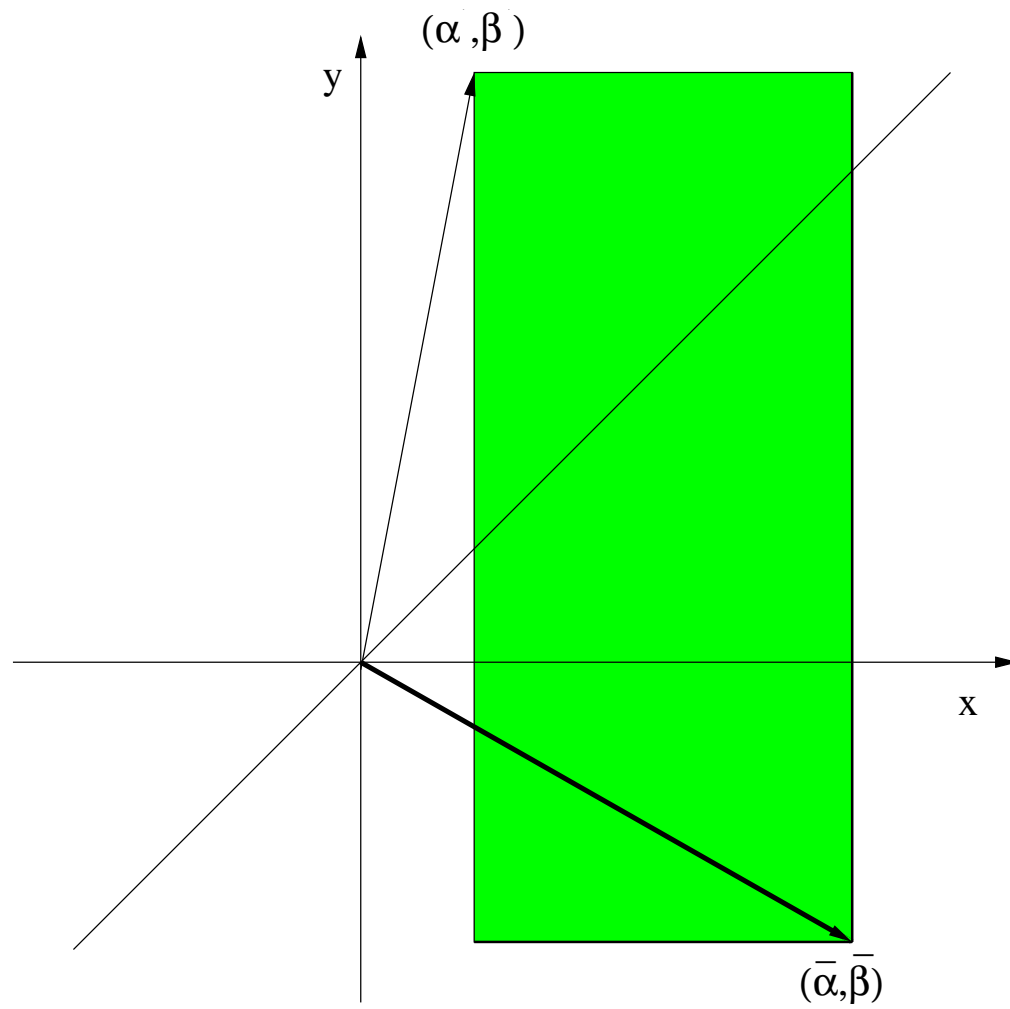
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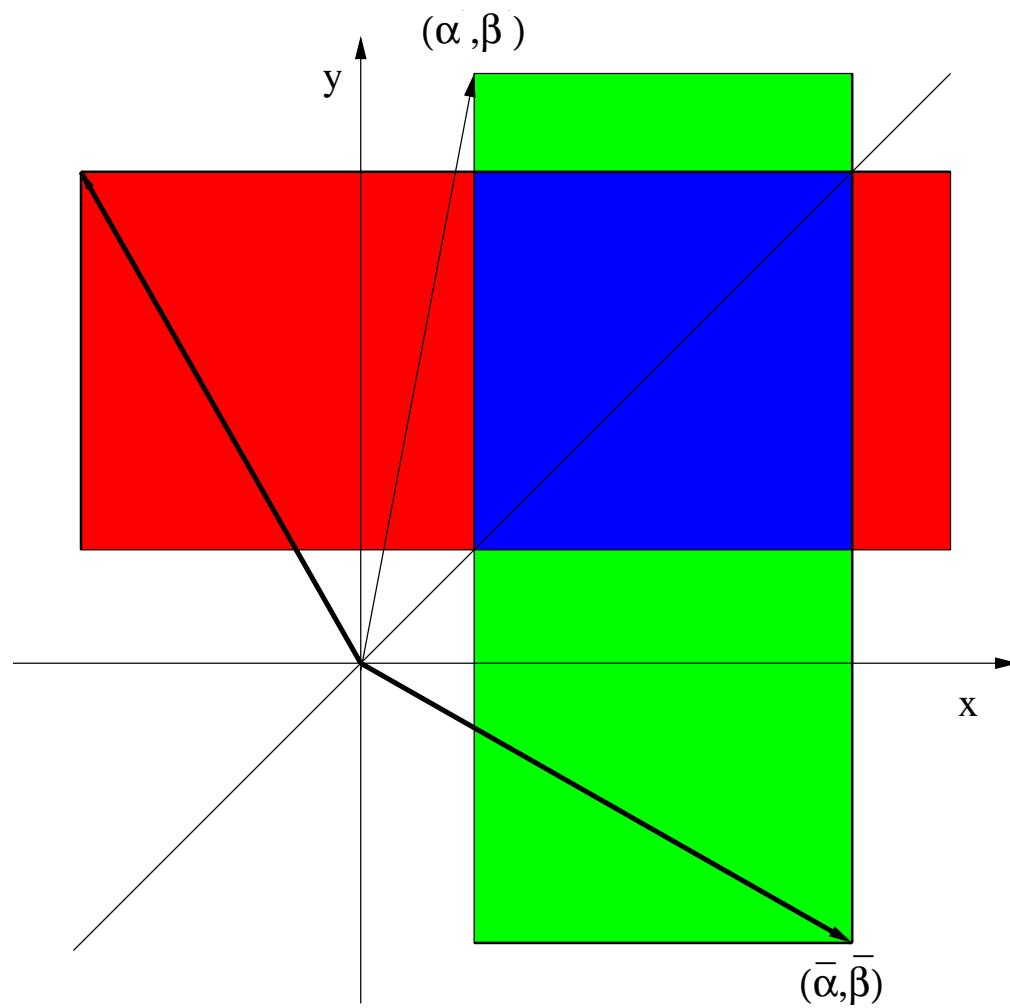
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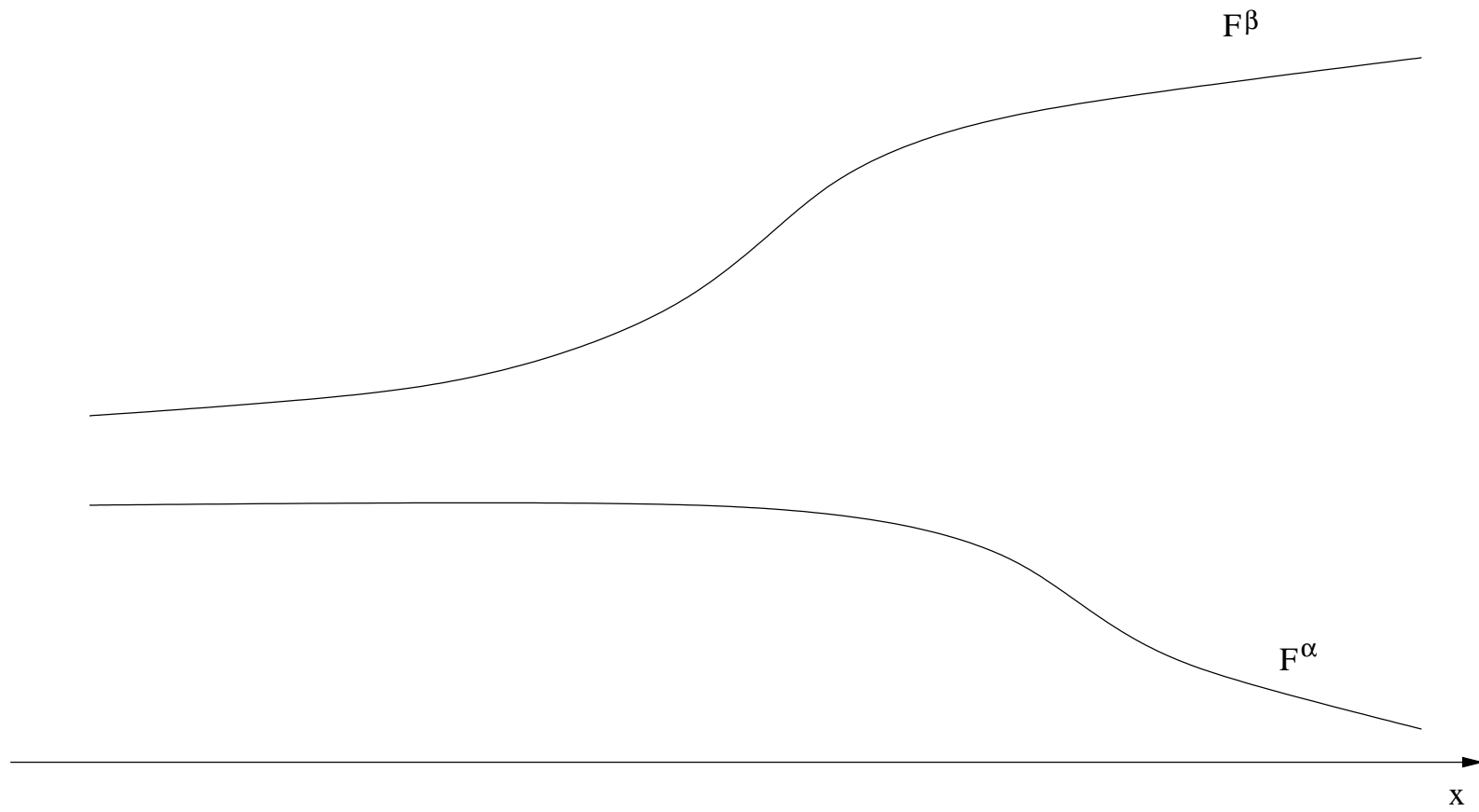
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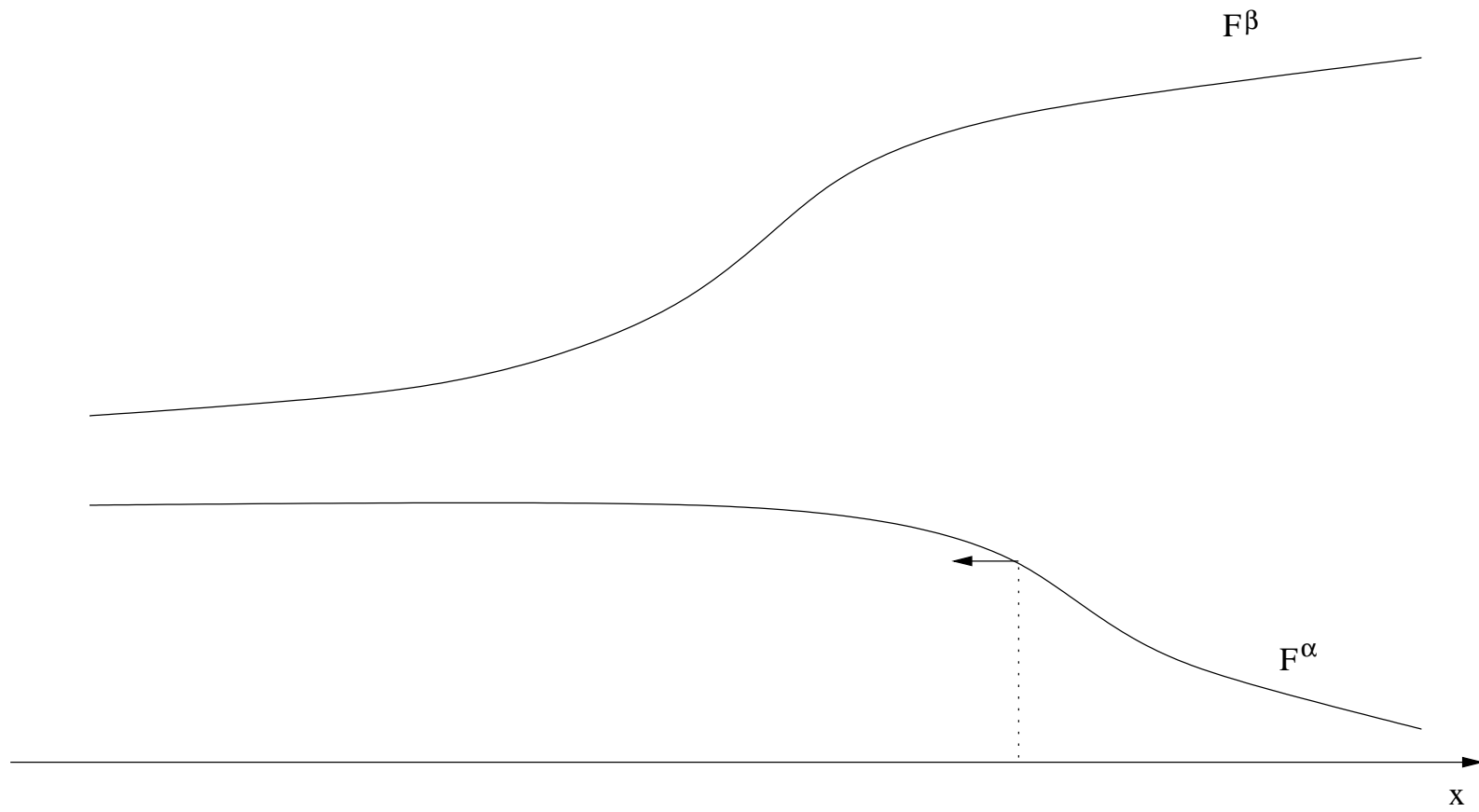
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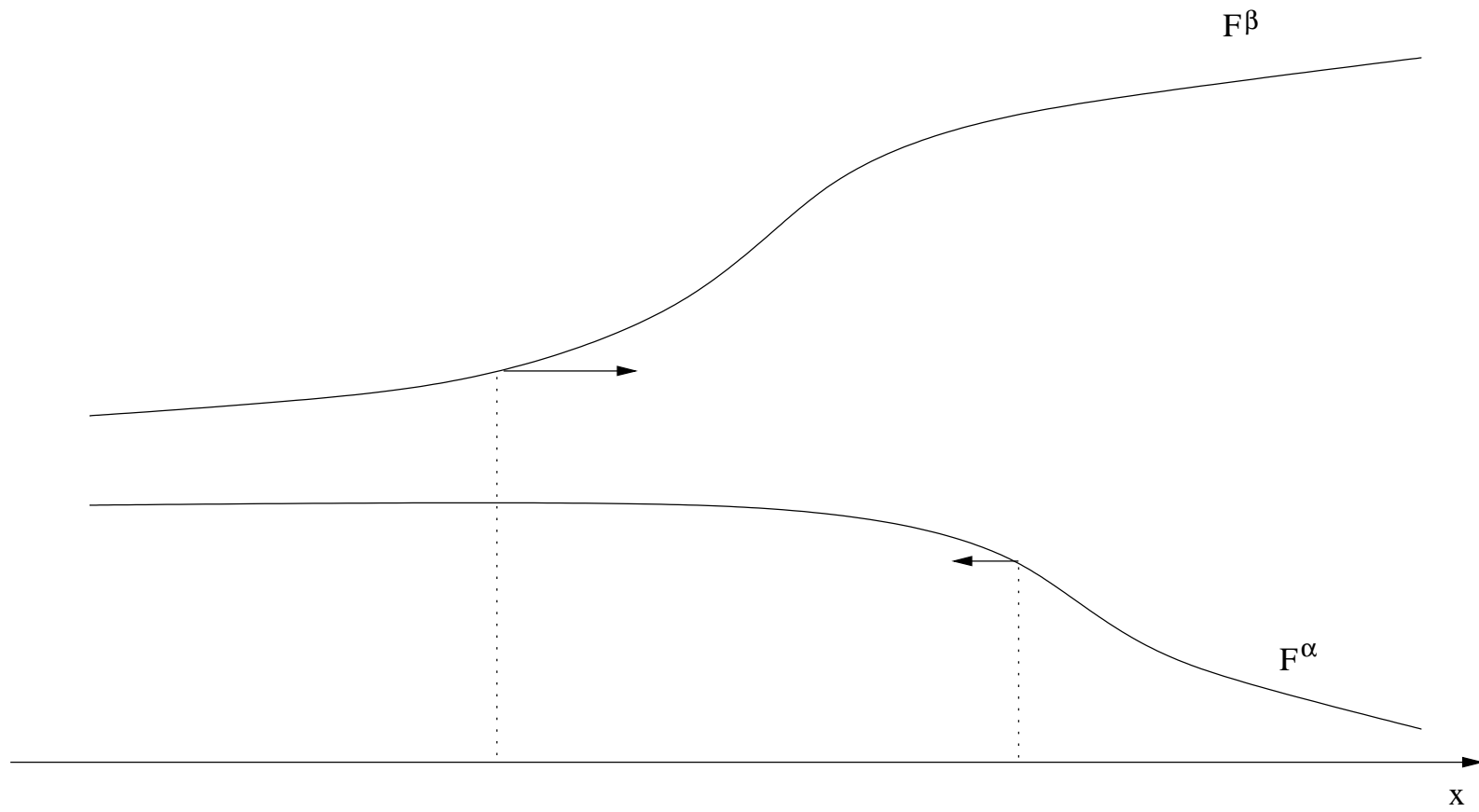
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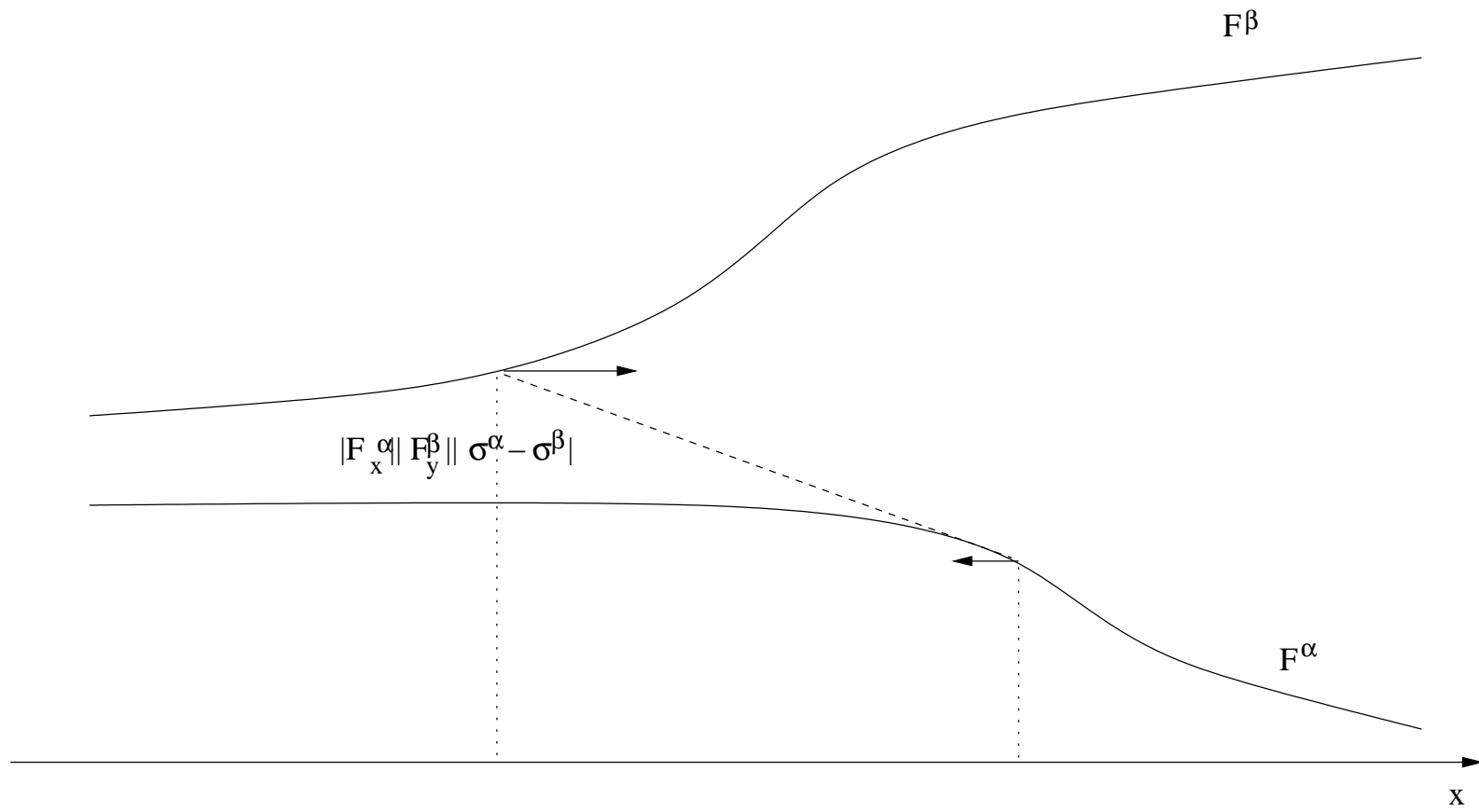
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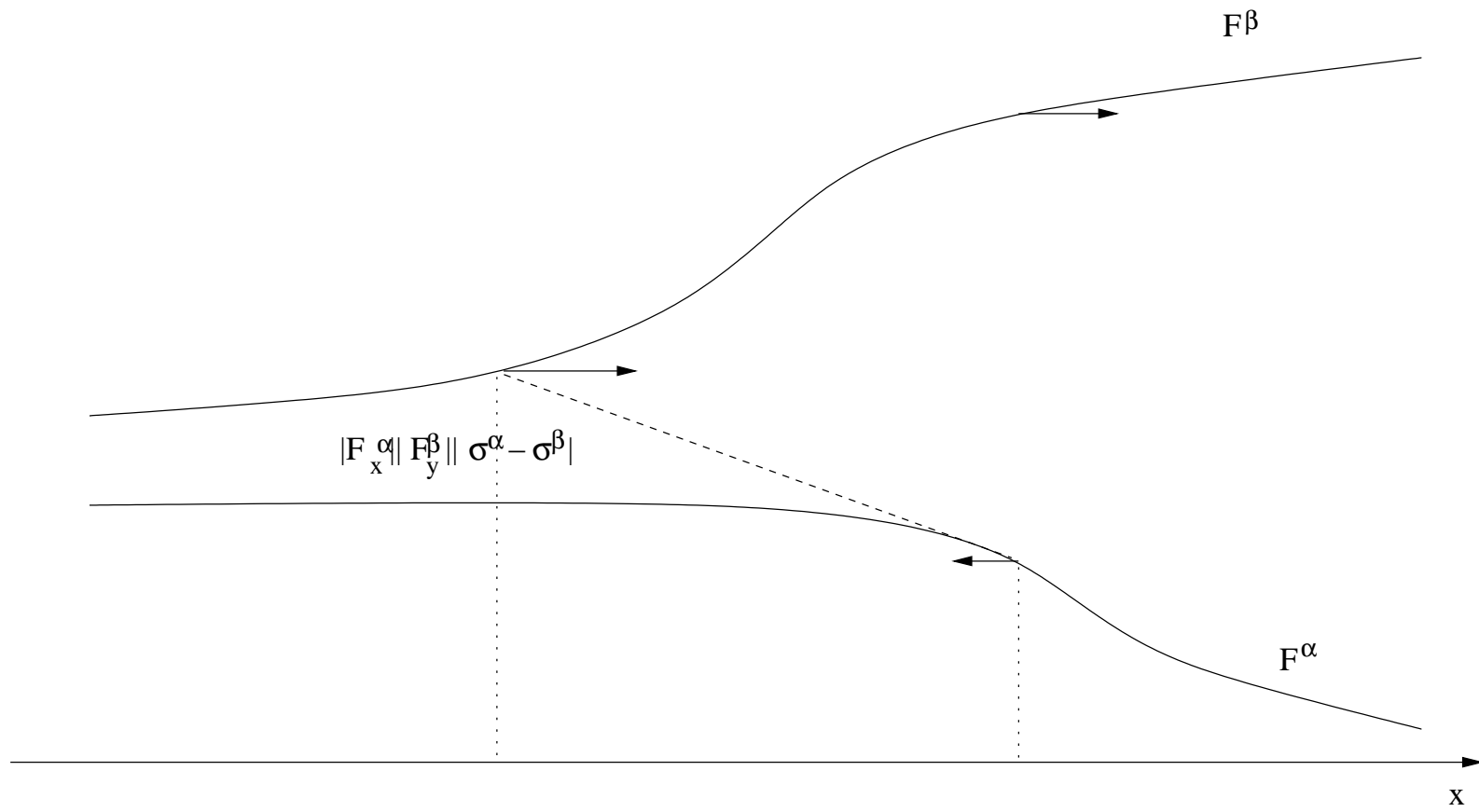
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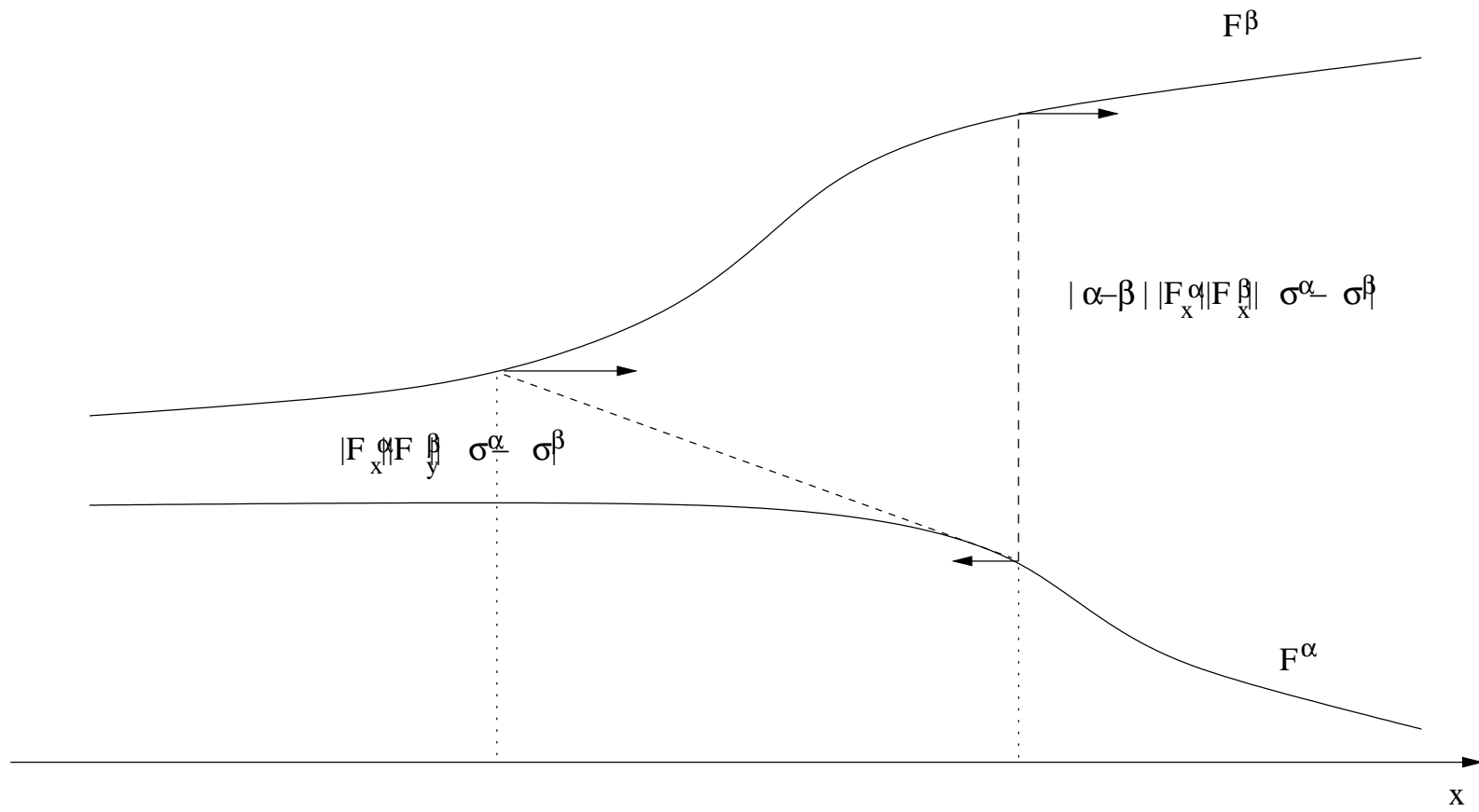


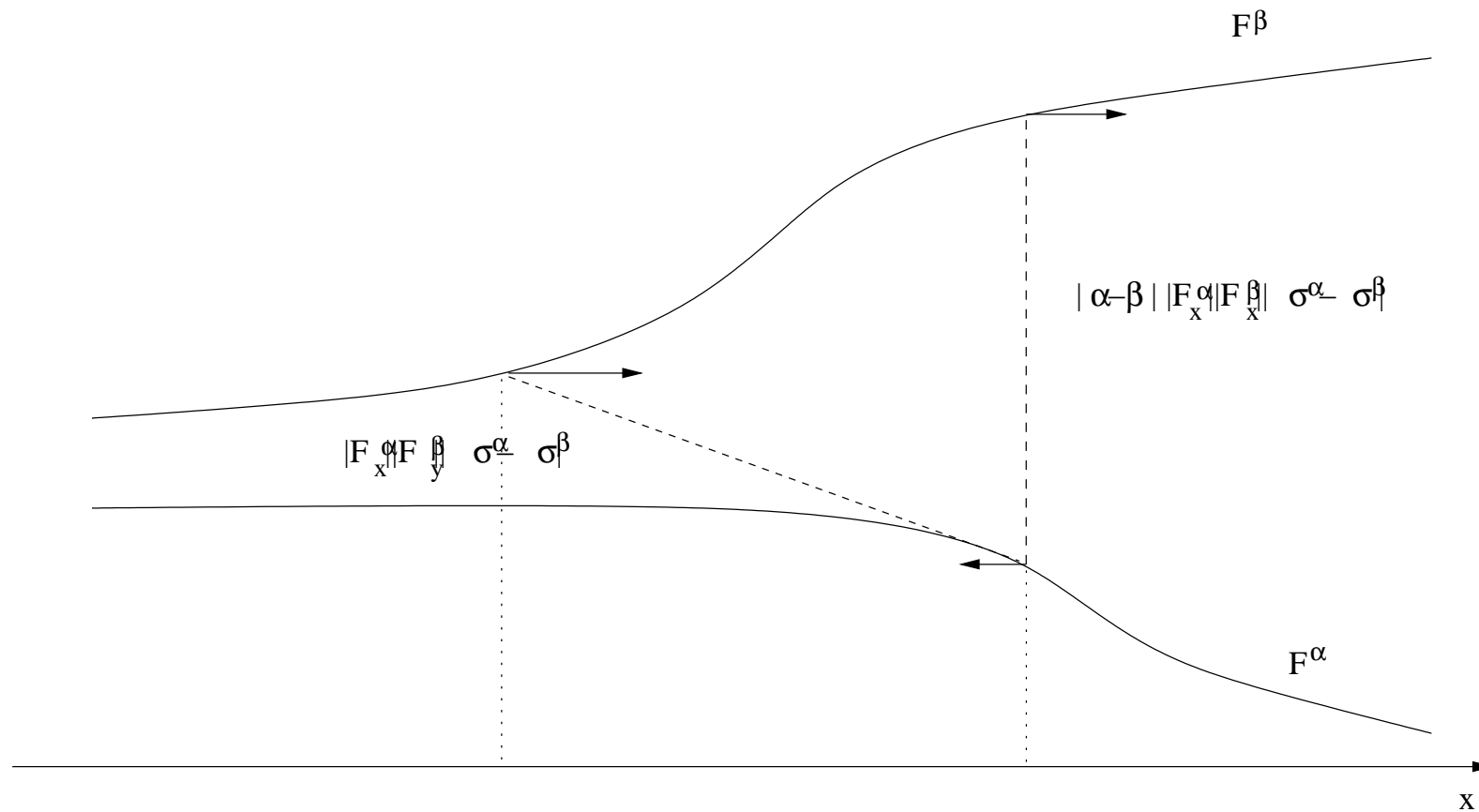












The interaction functional is the sum of the products of all waves in F^α , F^β multiplied by their speed.

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