

Course: UMA 035 (Optimization Techniques)

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Subject to

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$$3x_1 + 5x_2 \geq 15,$$

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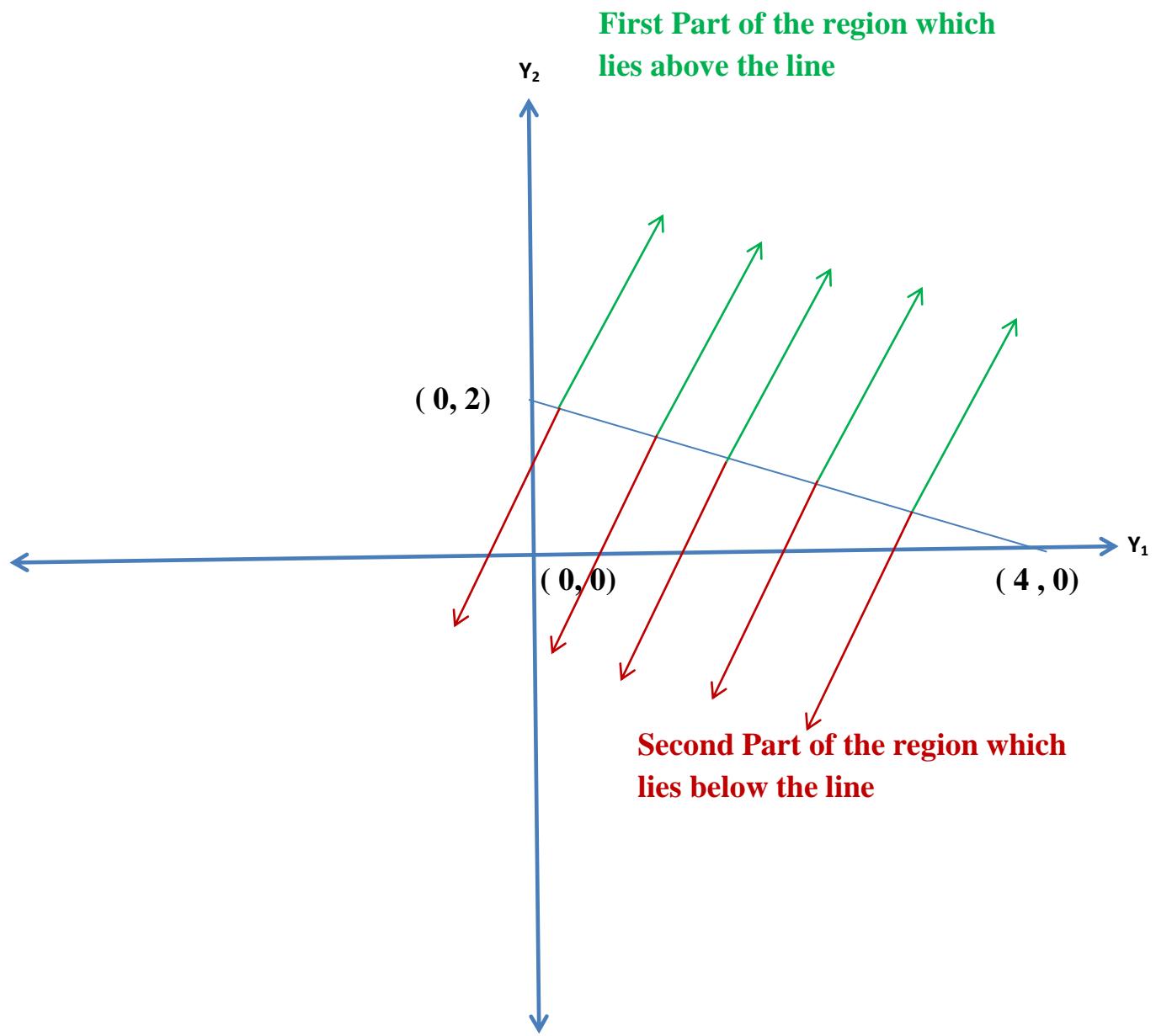
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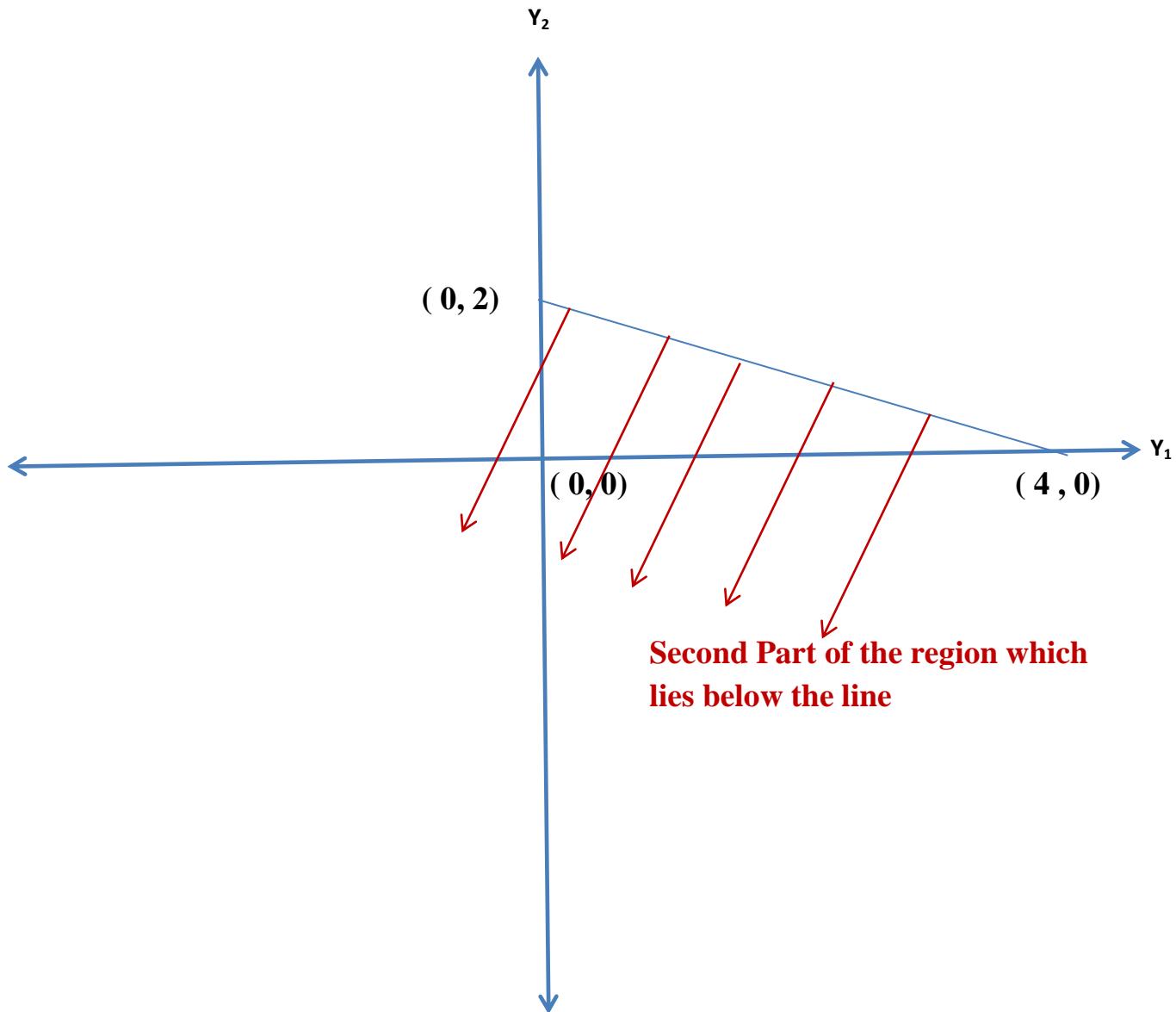
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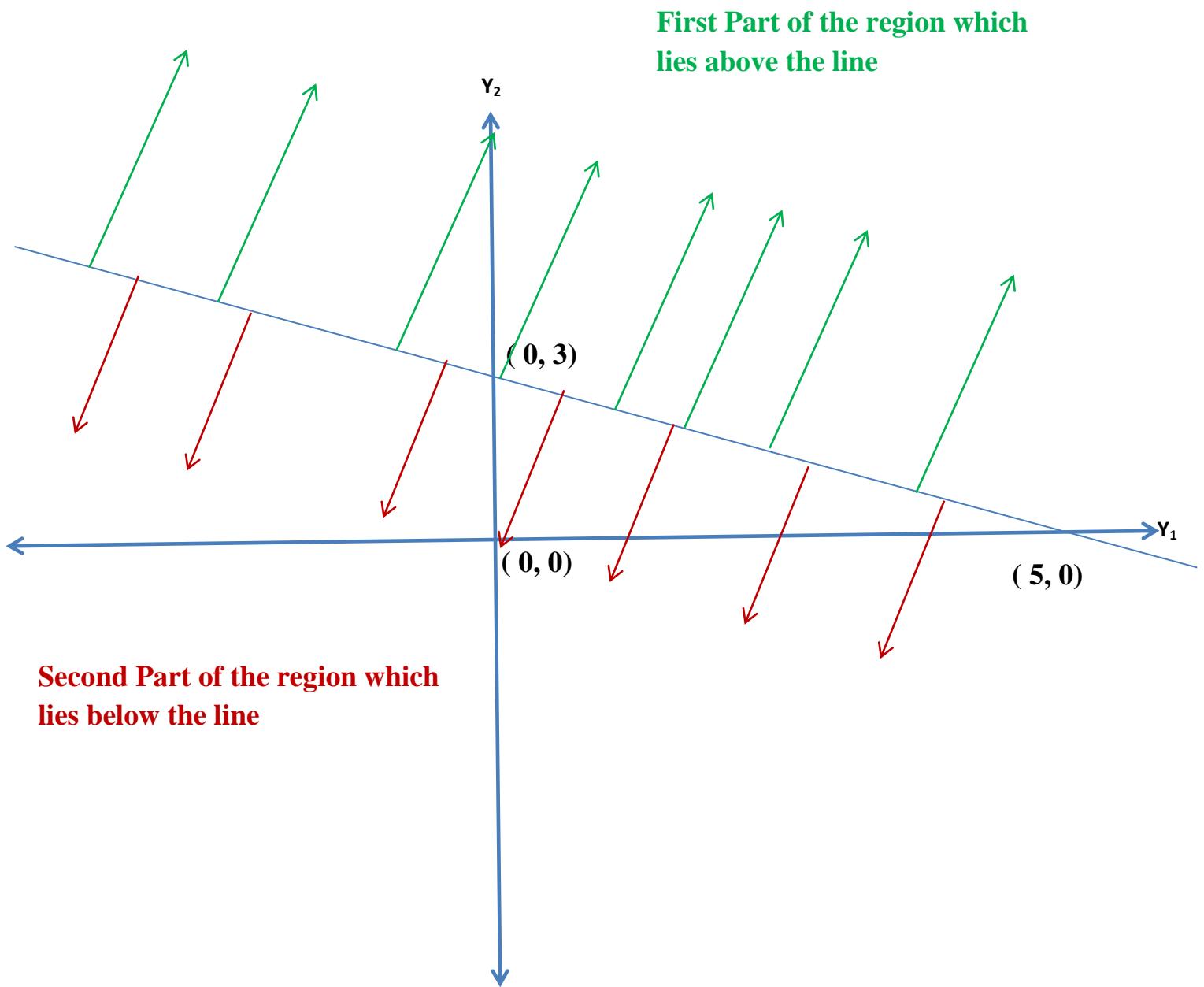
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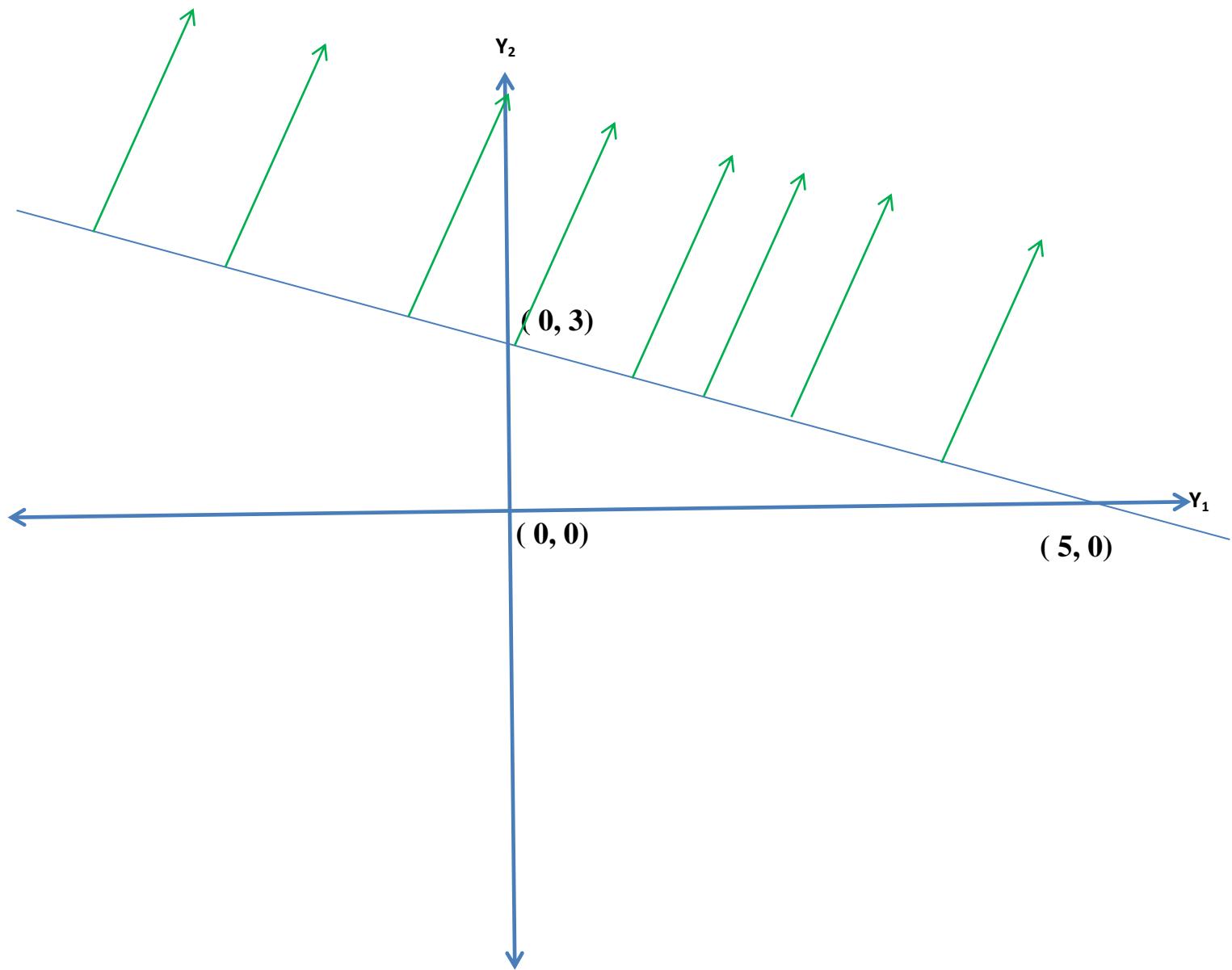
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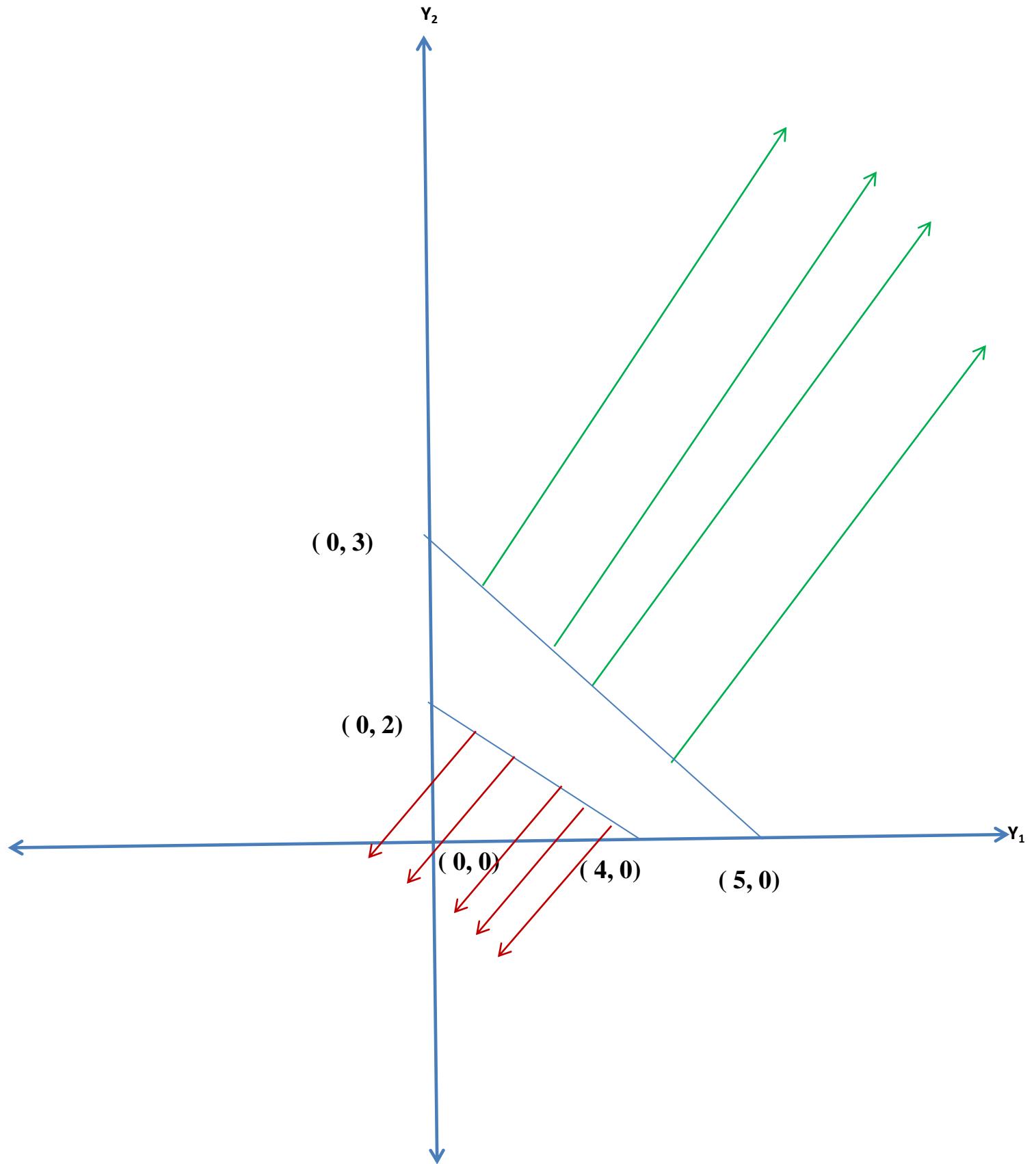
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Common region of both the constraints



Common region of both the constraints in the first quadrant

(Feasible region)

It is obvious that there is no common region in the first quadrant. So, no feasible region and hence, no optimal solution.

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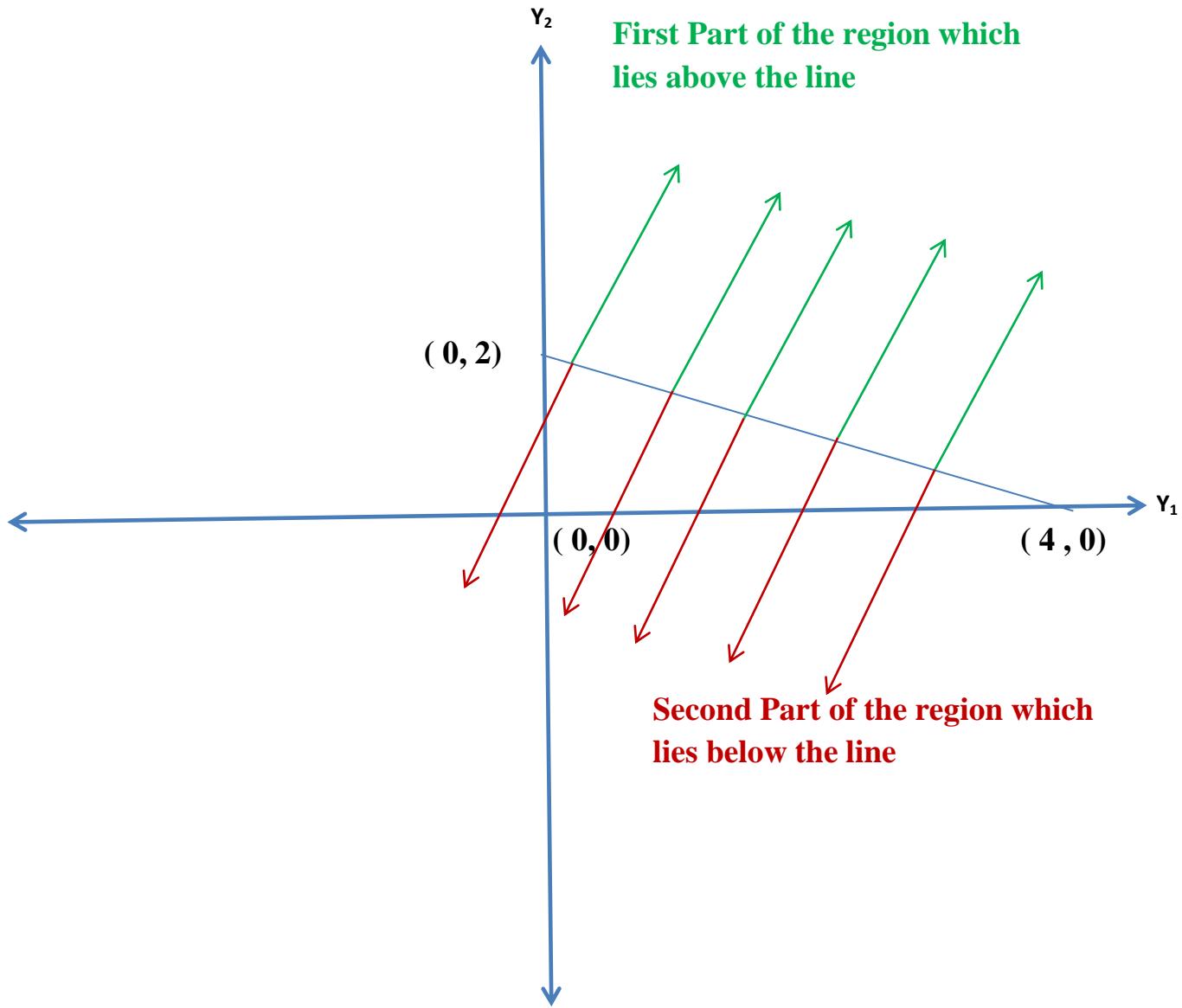
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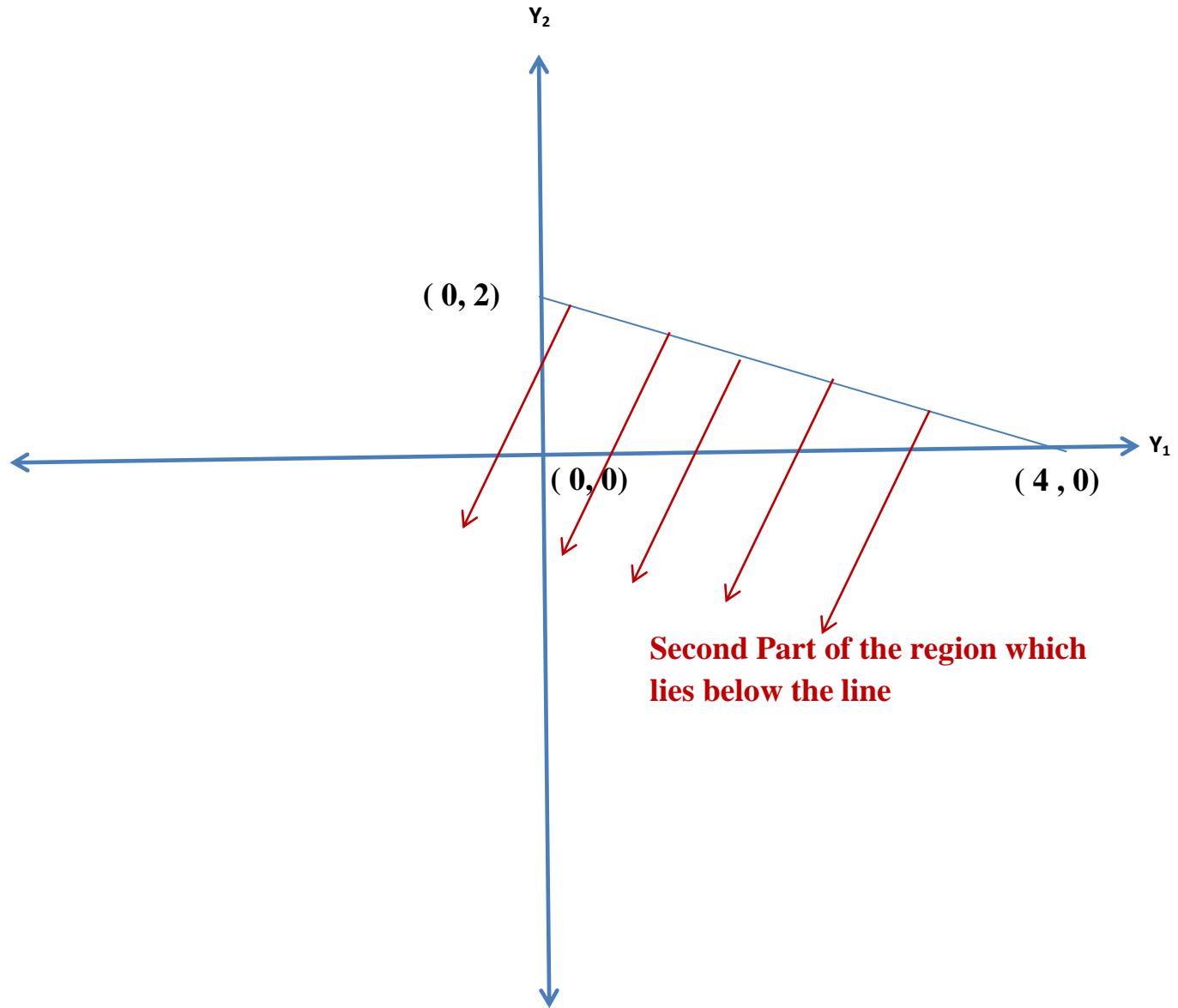
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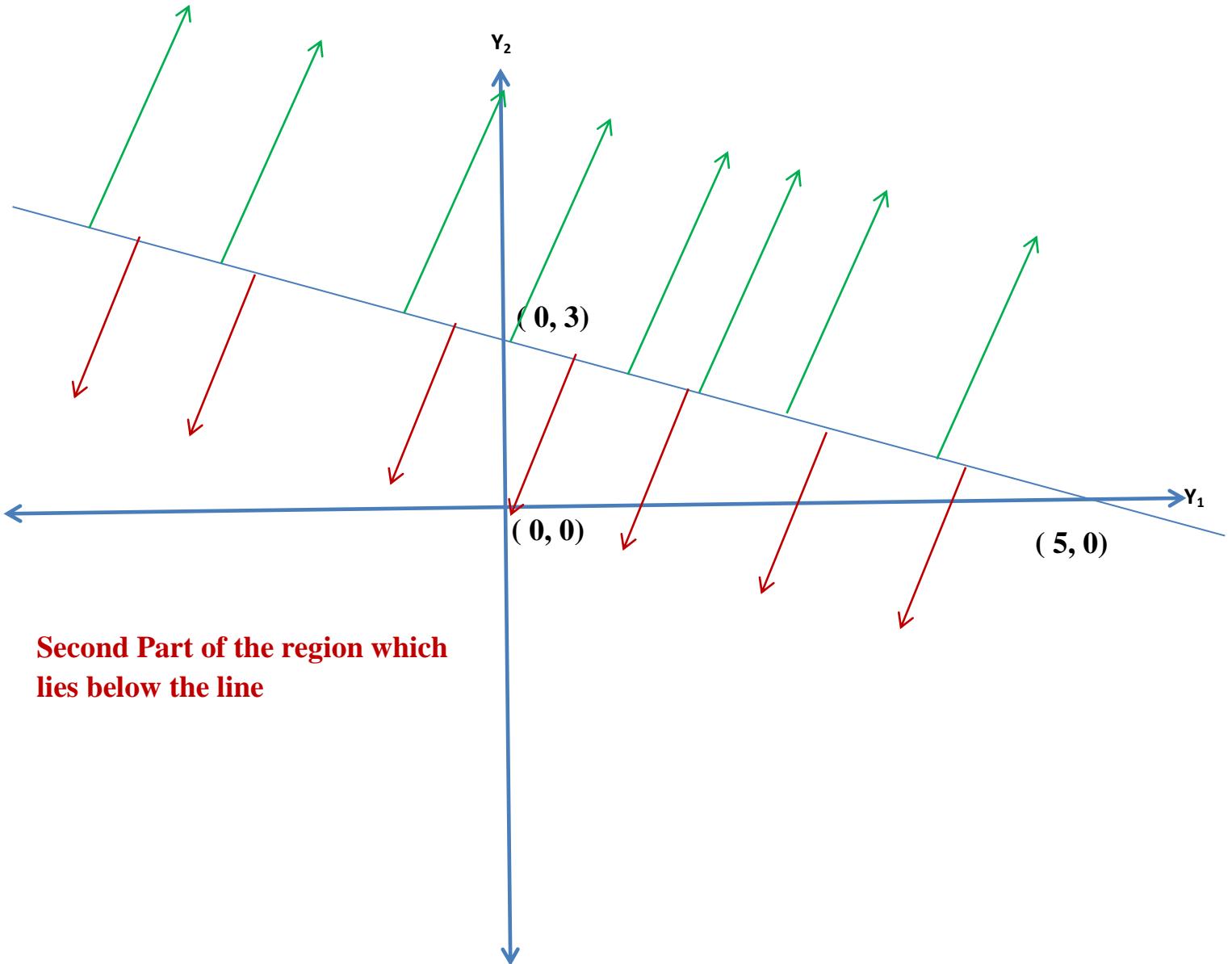
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First Part of the region which lies above the line



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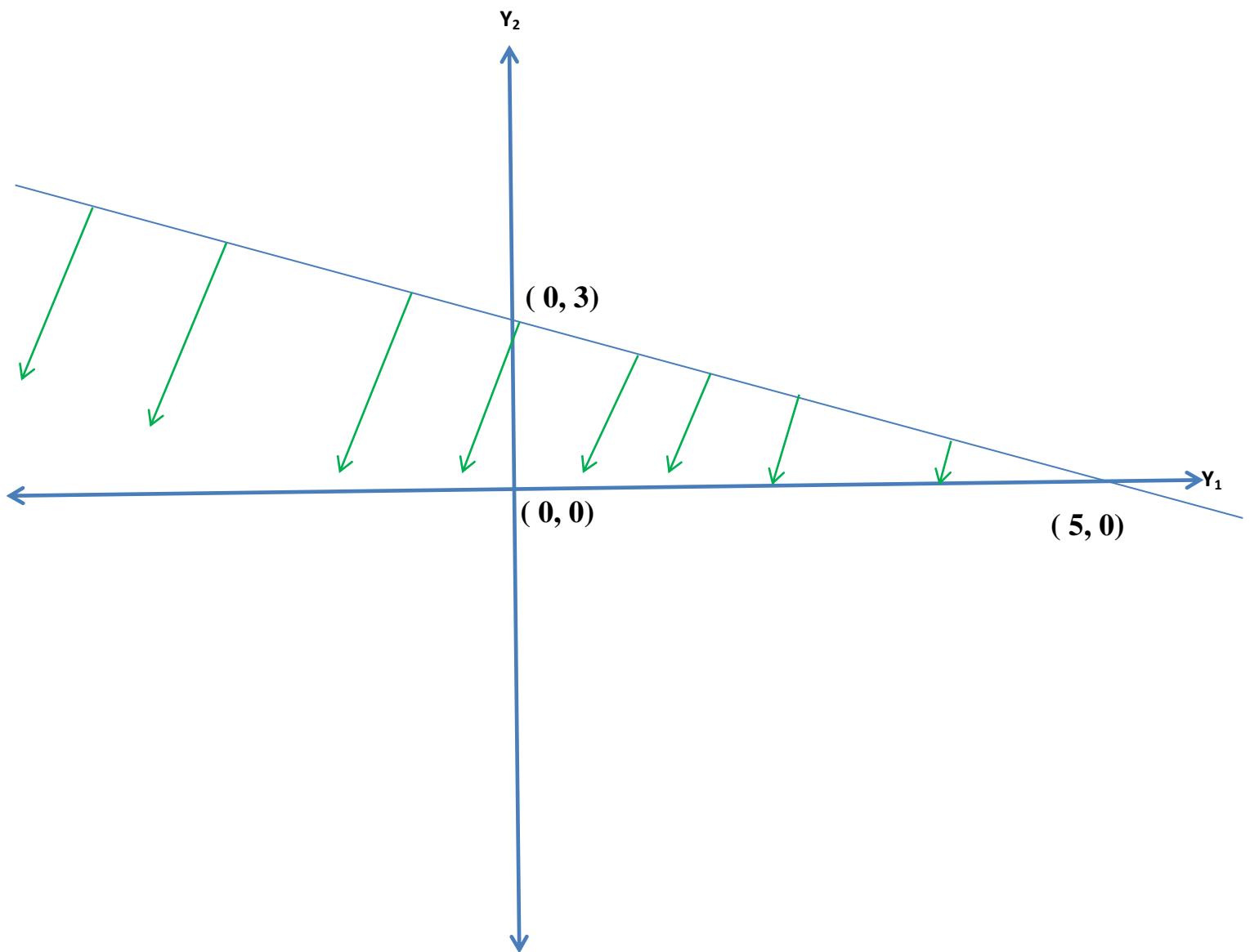
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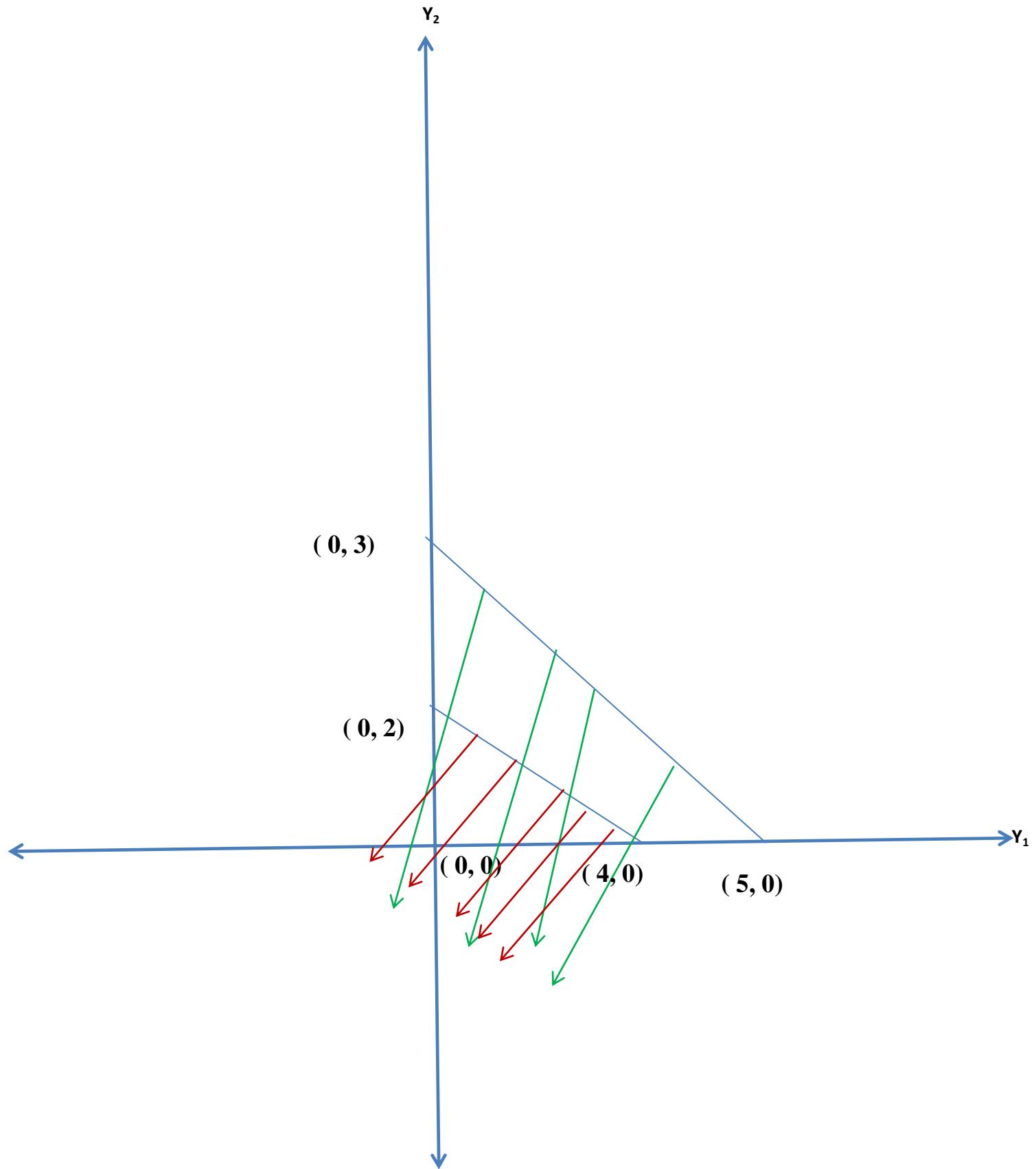
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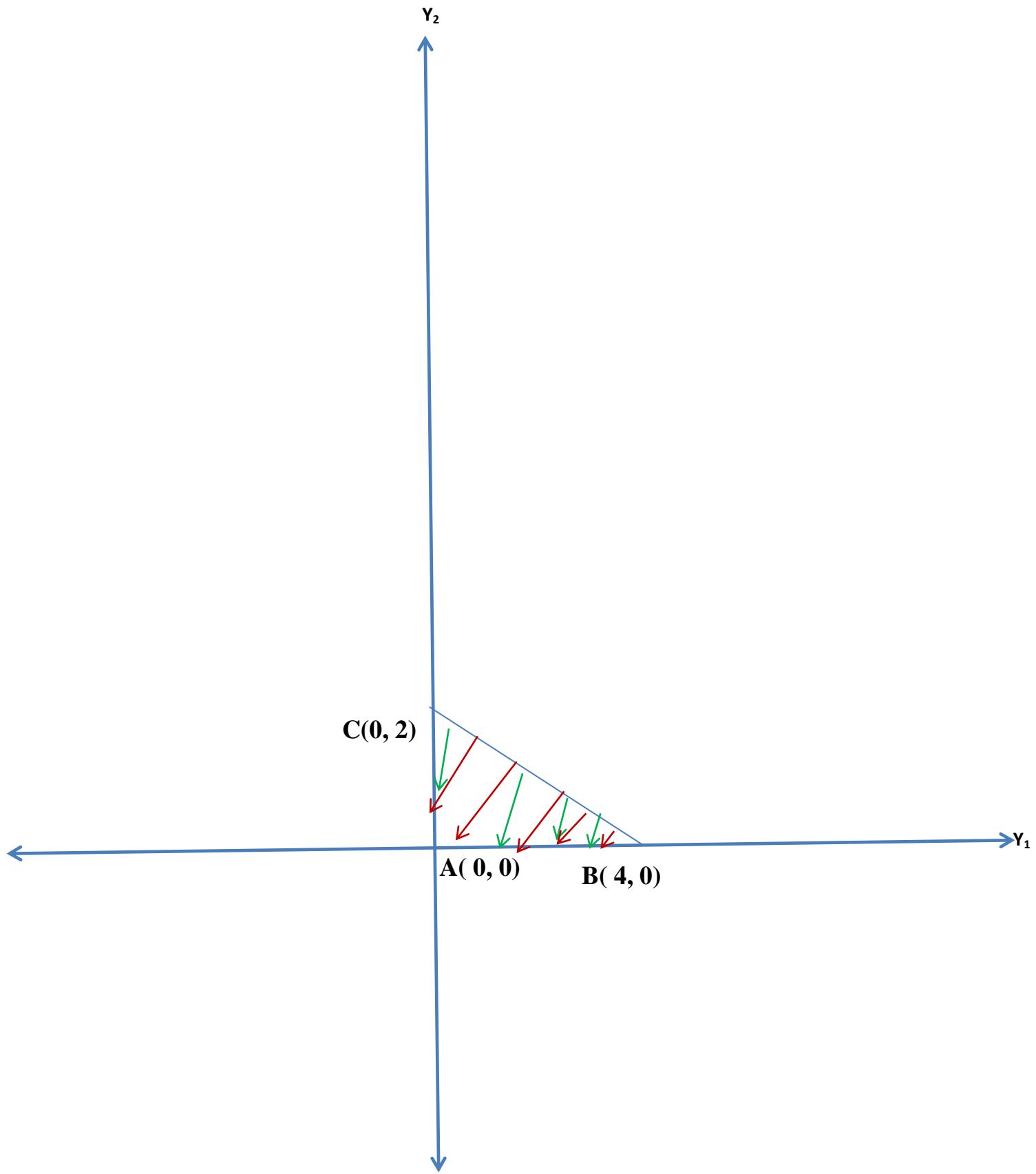


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(Feasible region)



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Extreme points or vertices or corner points

First point A (0, 0)

Second point B (4, 0)

Third point C (0, 2)

Value of the objective function $3x_1 + 2x_2$ at

- A (0,0) is $3*0+2*0=0$
- B (4,0) is $3*4+2*0=12$
- C (0,2) is $3*0+2*2=4$

Since maximum $\{0,12,4\}=12$ which is corresponding to $x_1=4$ and $x_2=0$. So, if the problem is of maximization then the

- Optimal solution is $x_1=4$ and $x_2=0$
- The optimal value is 12

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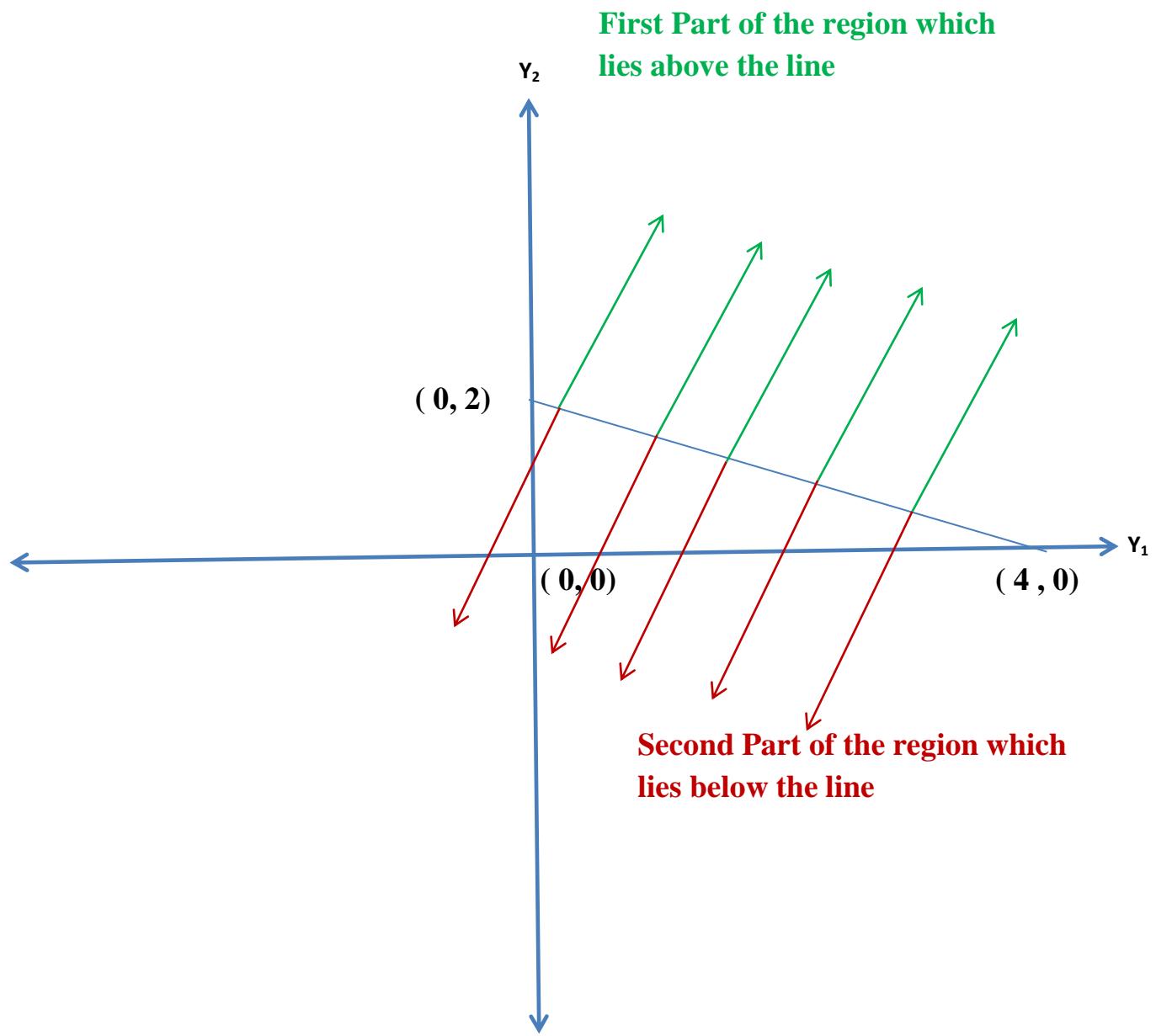
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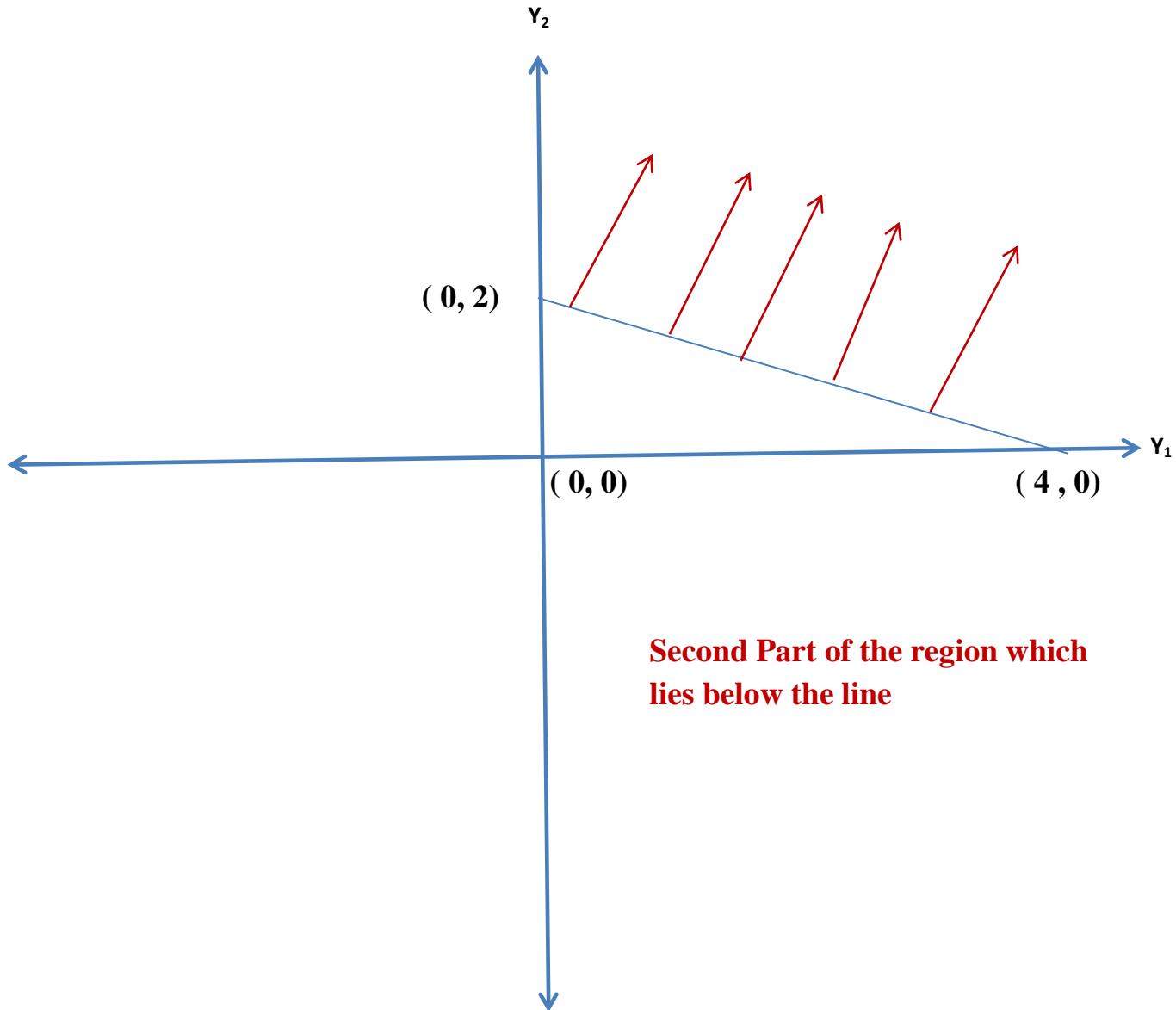
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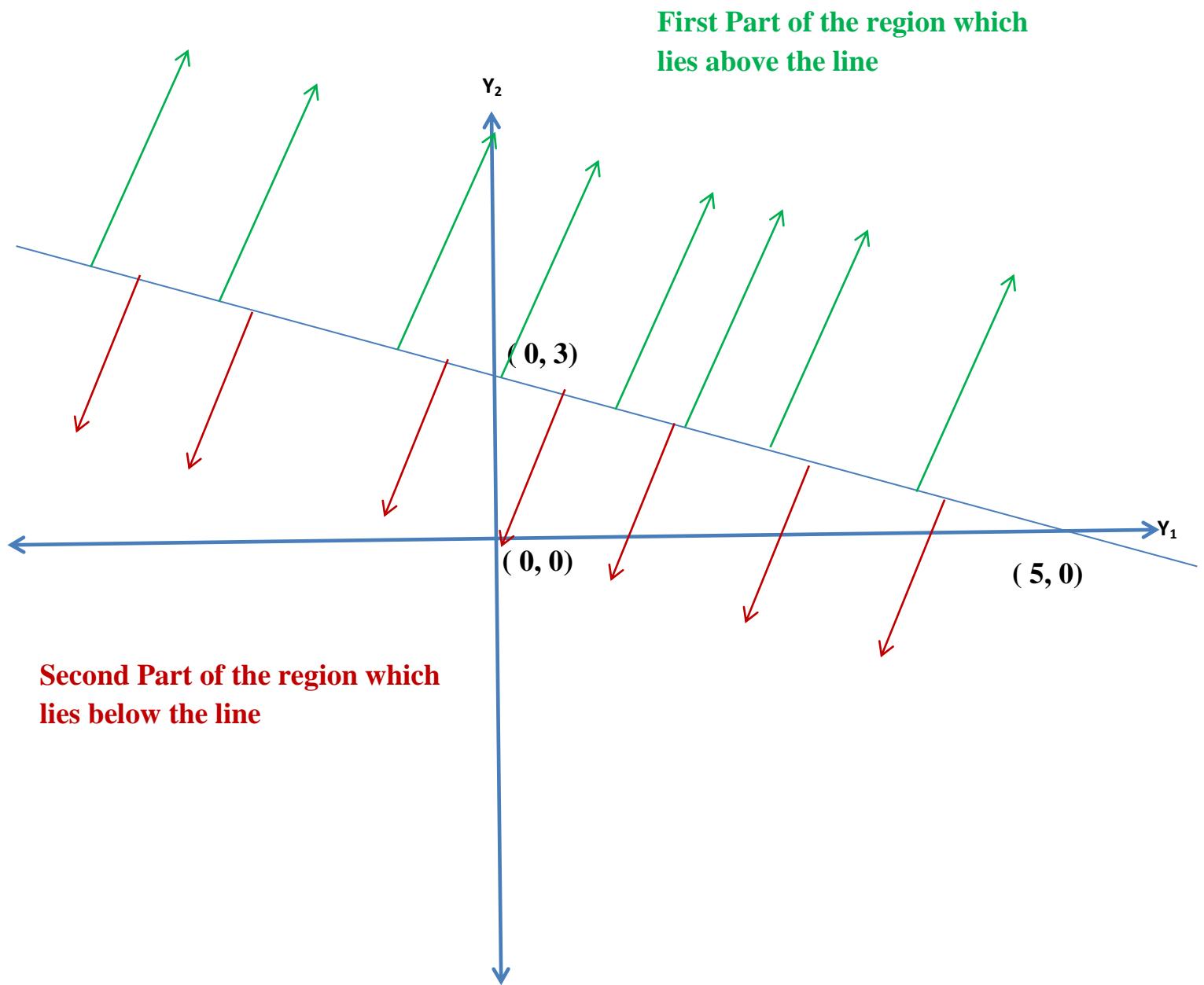
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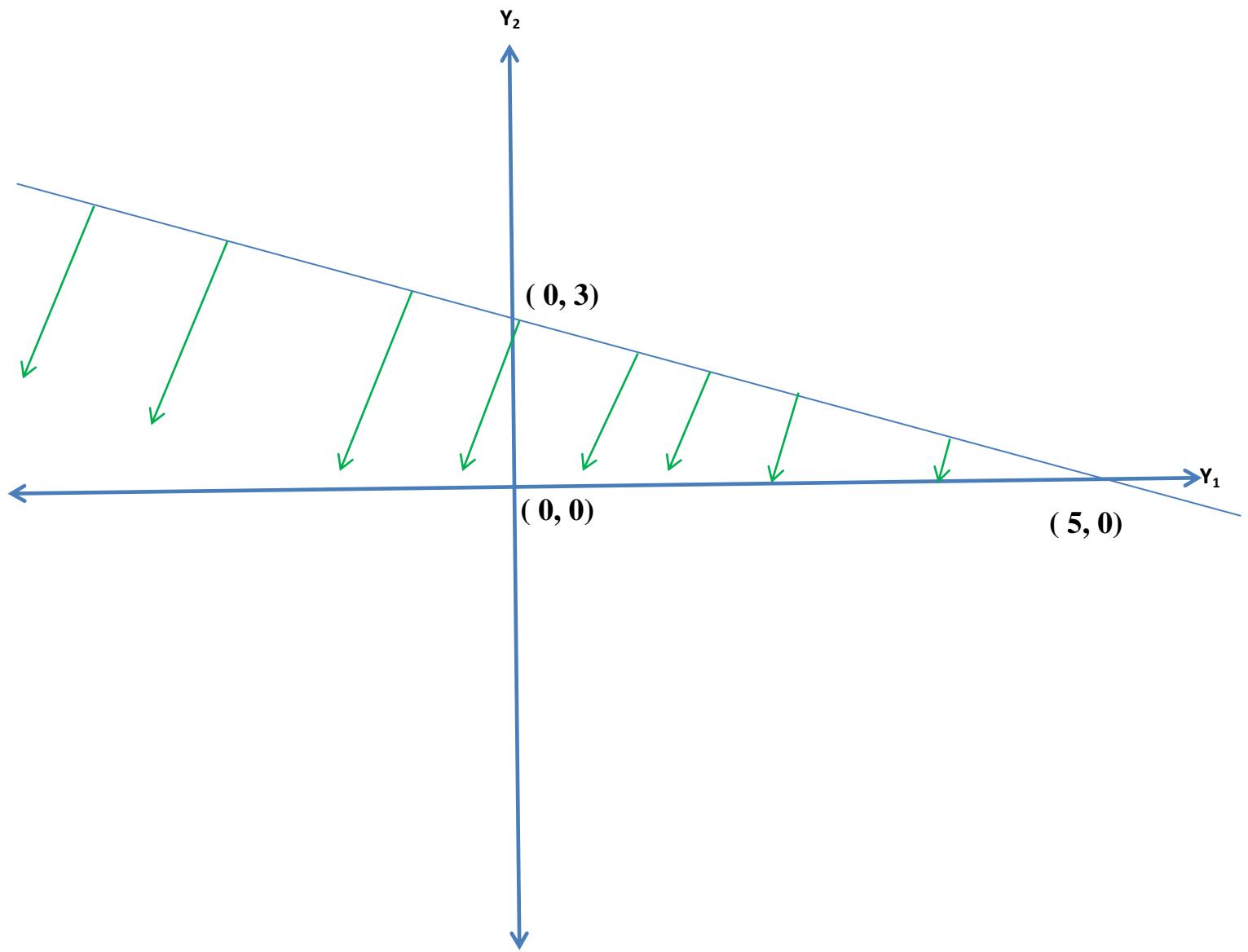
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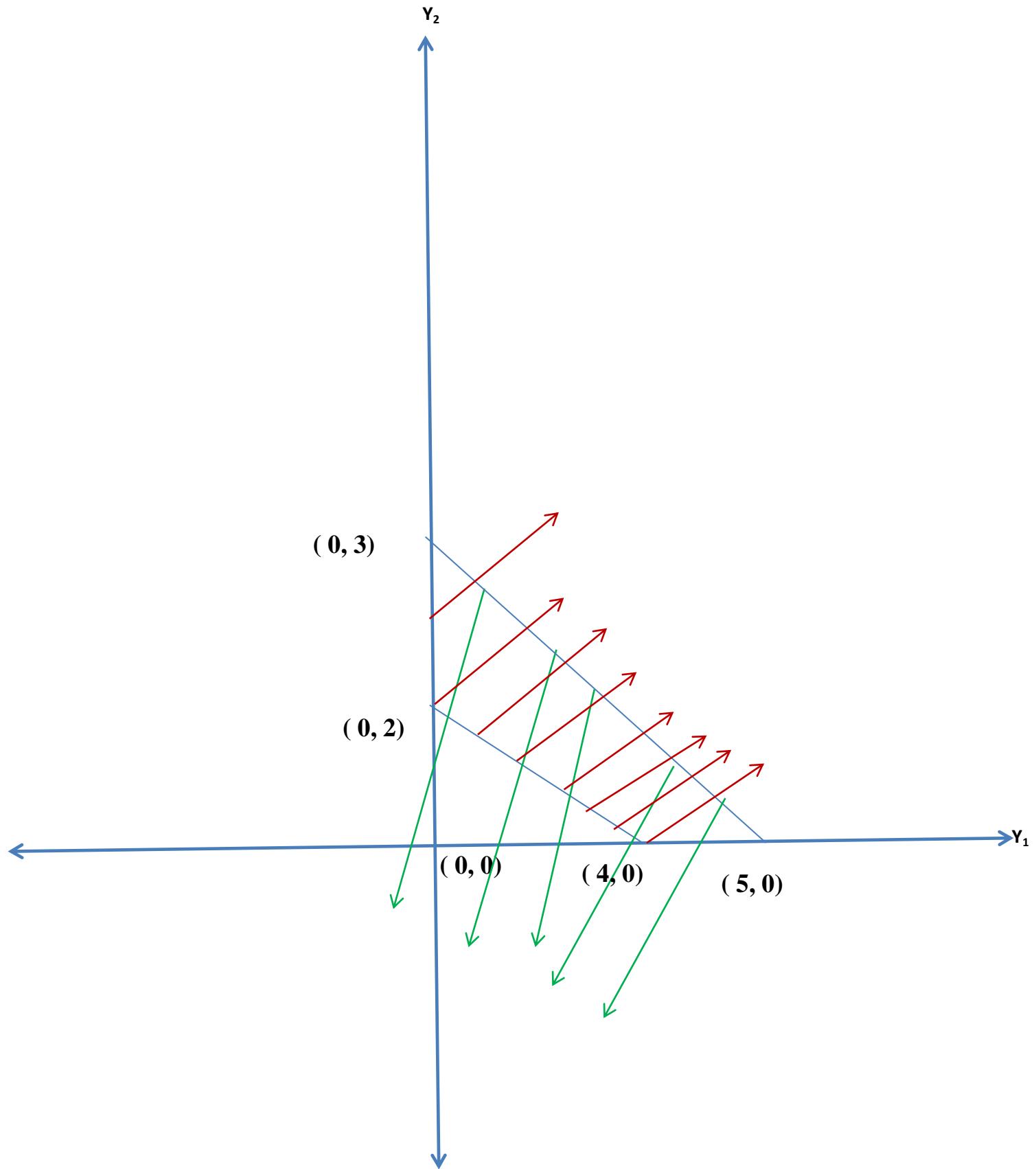
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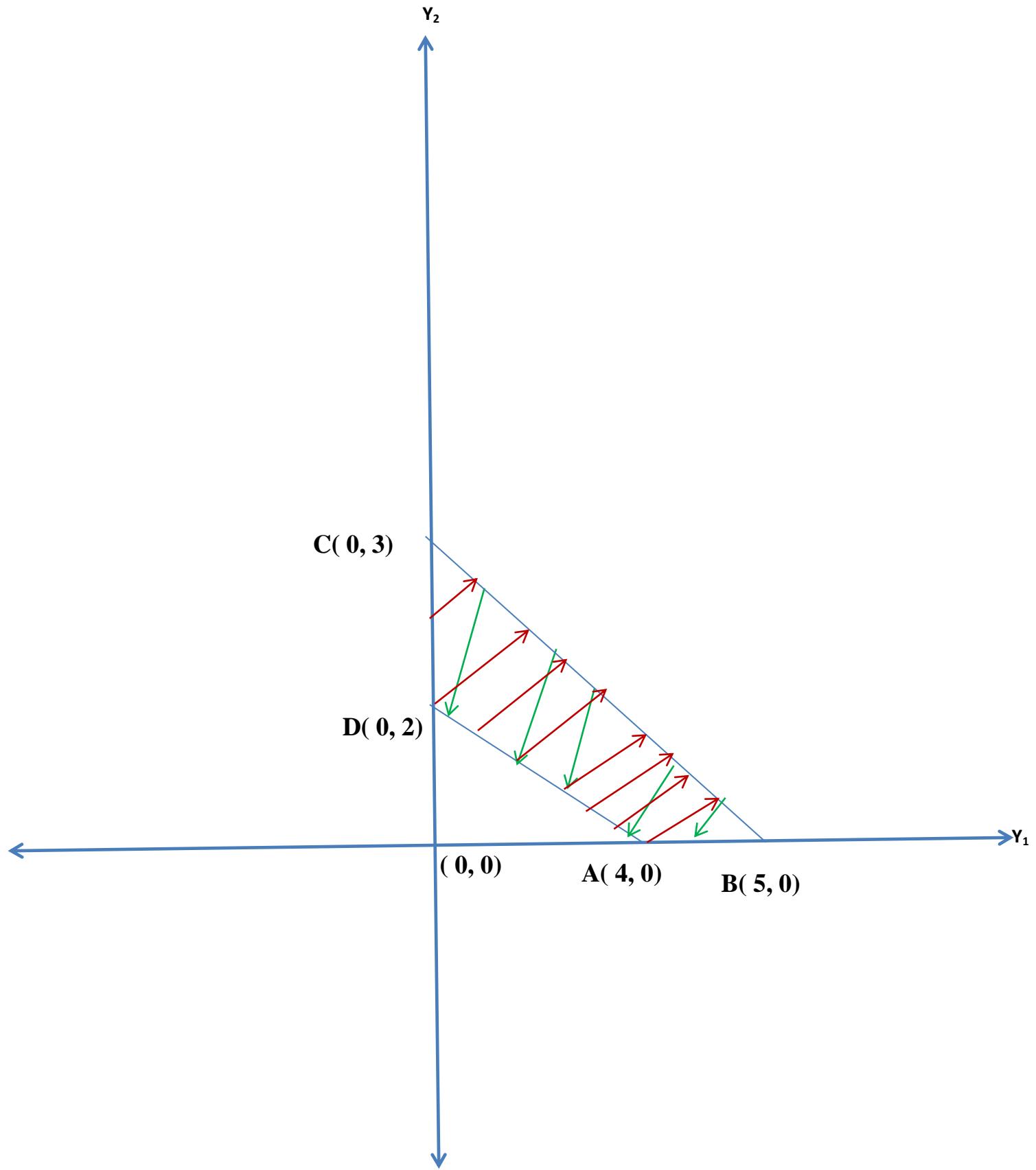


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Fourth point (0, 2)

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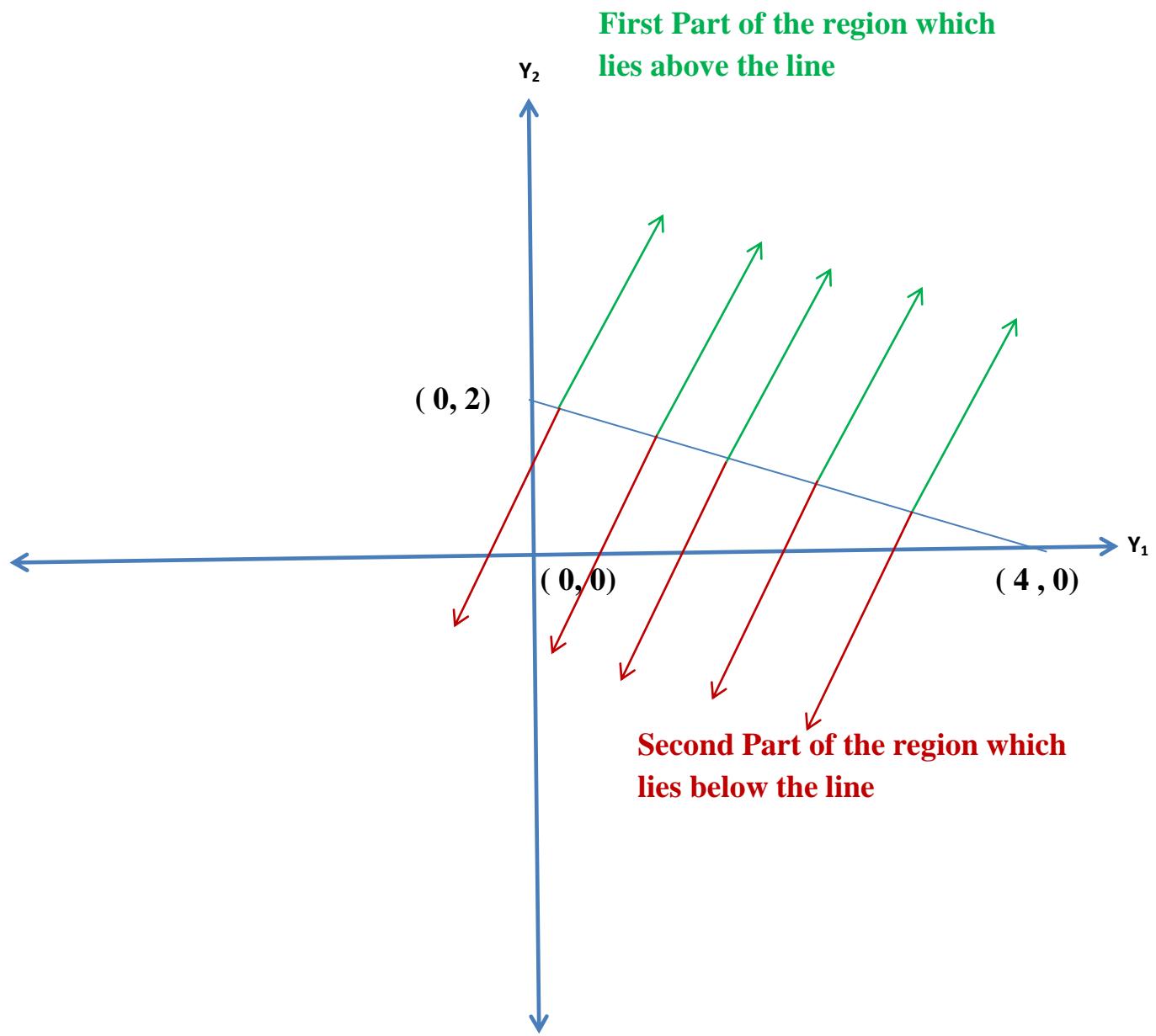
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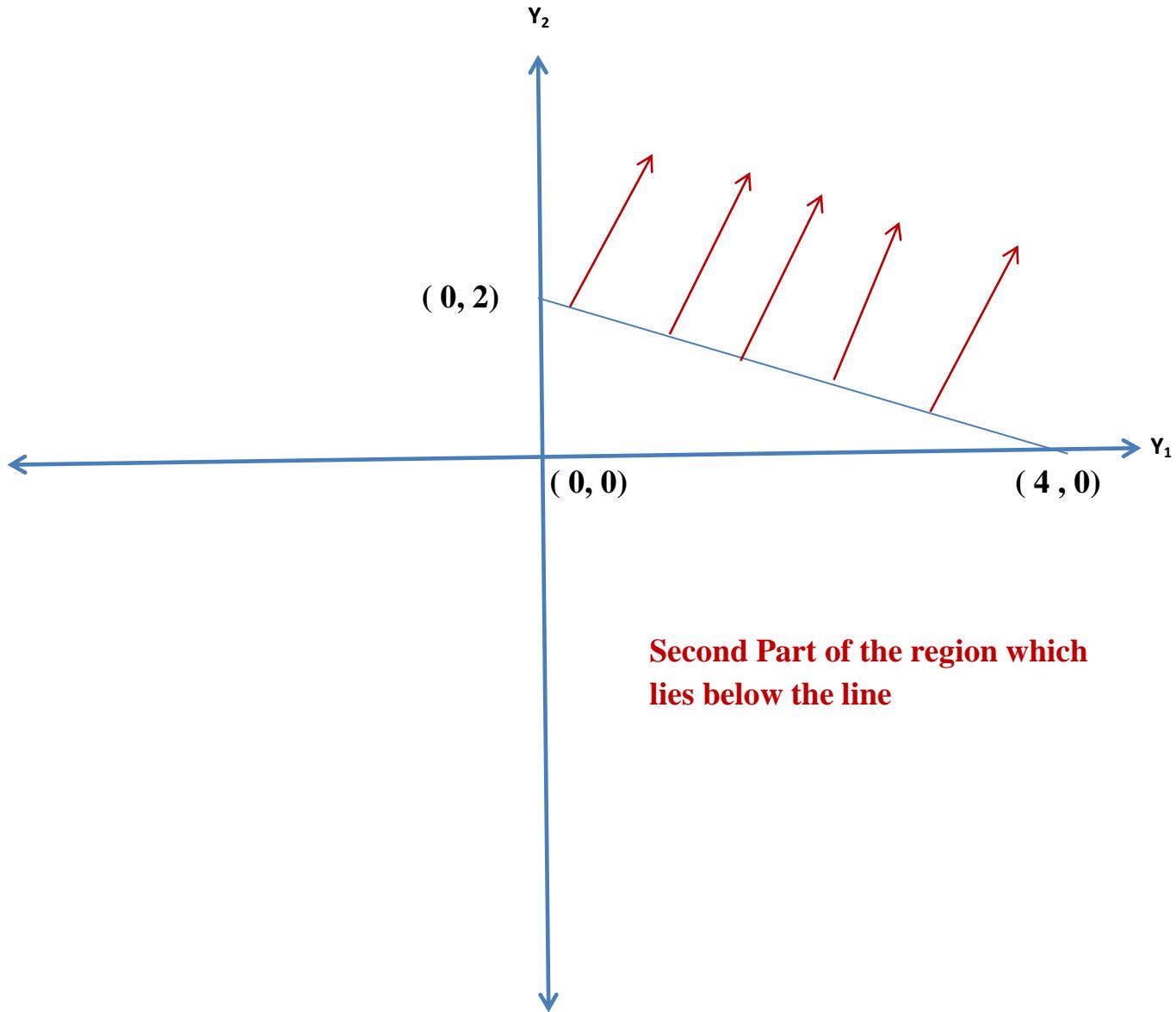
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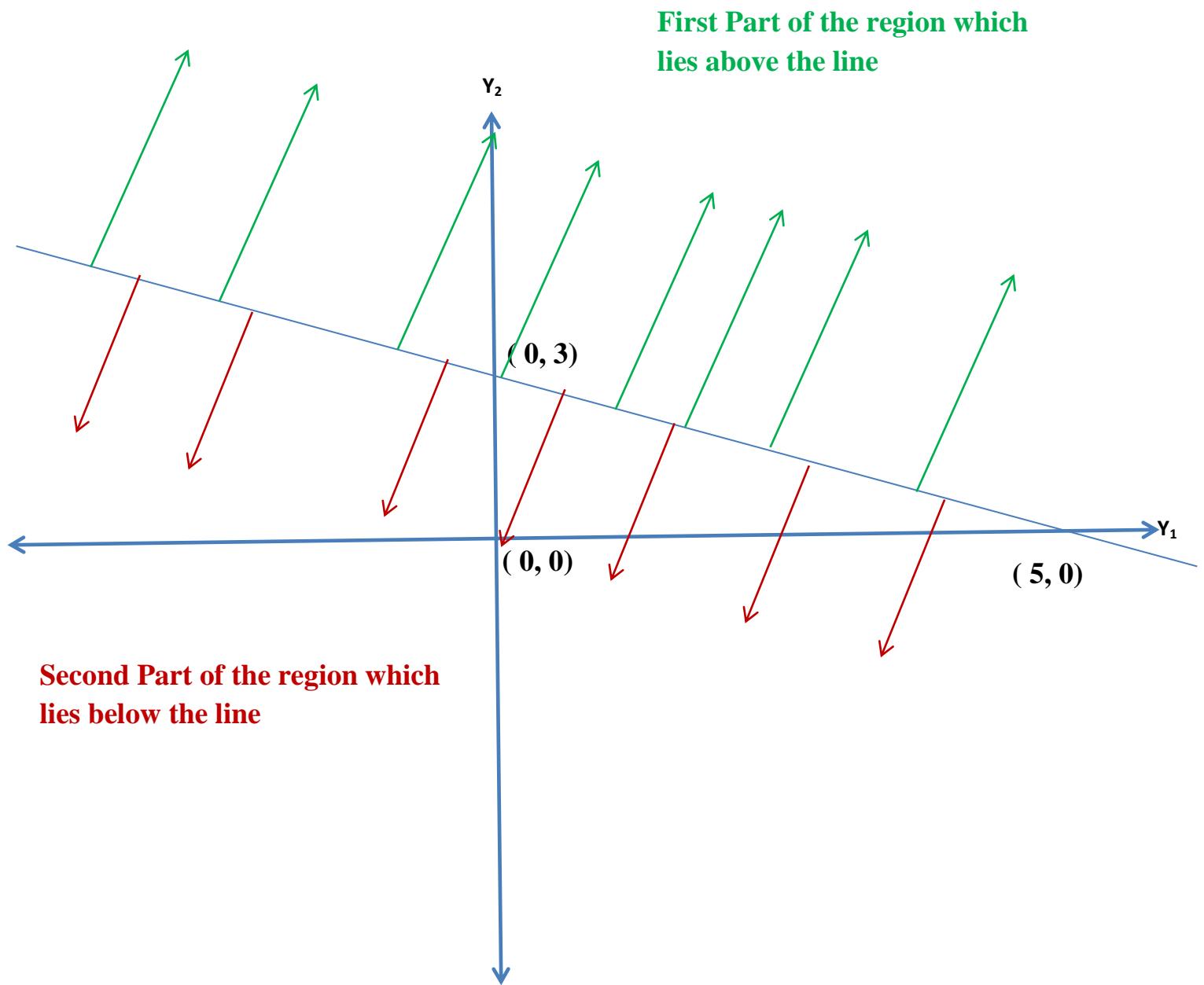
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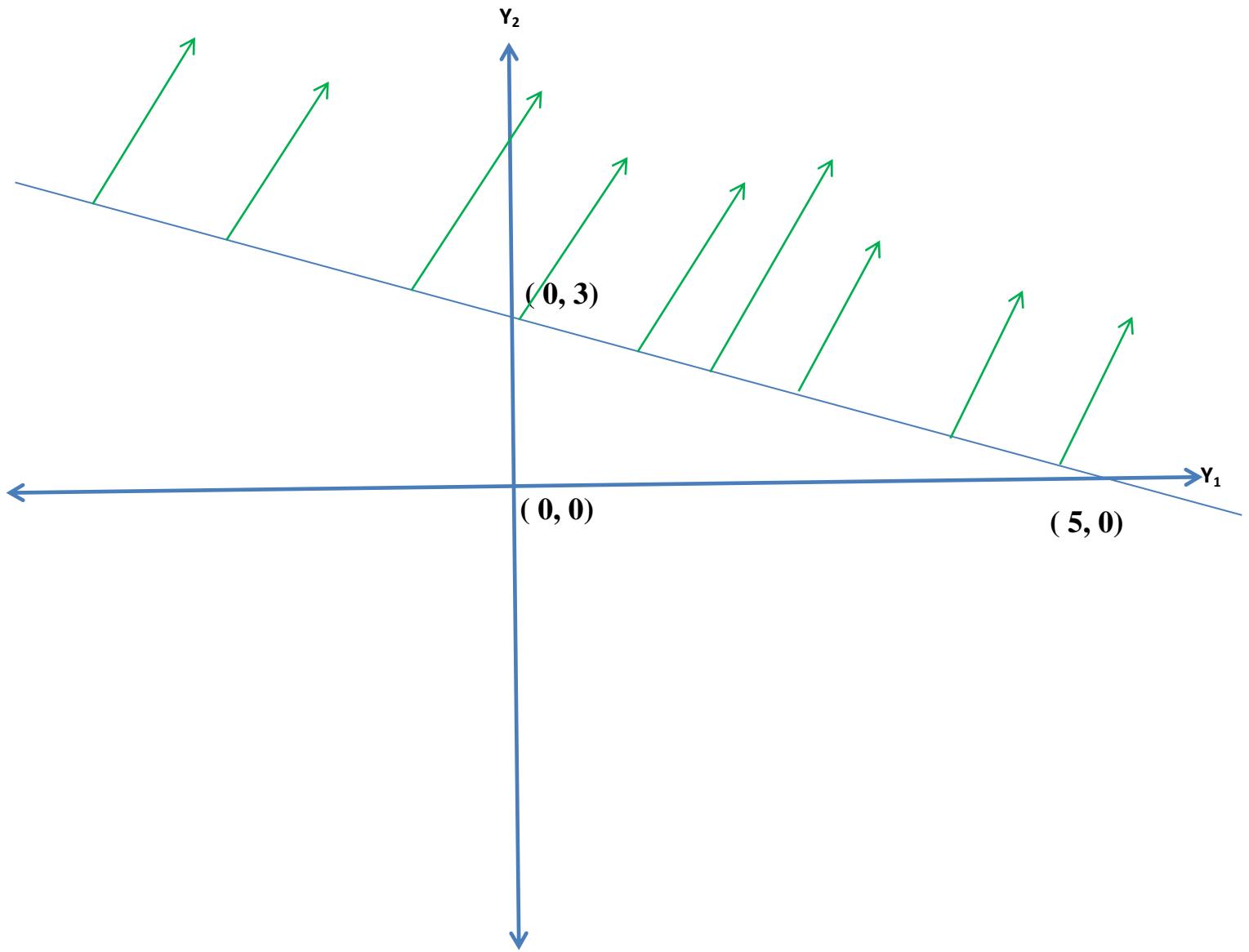
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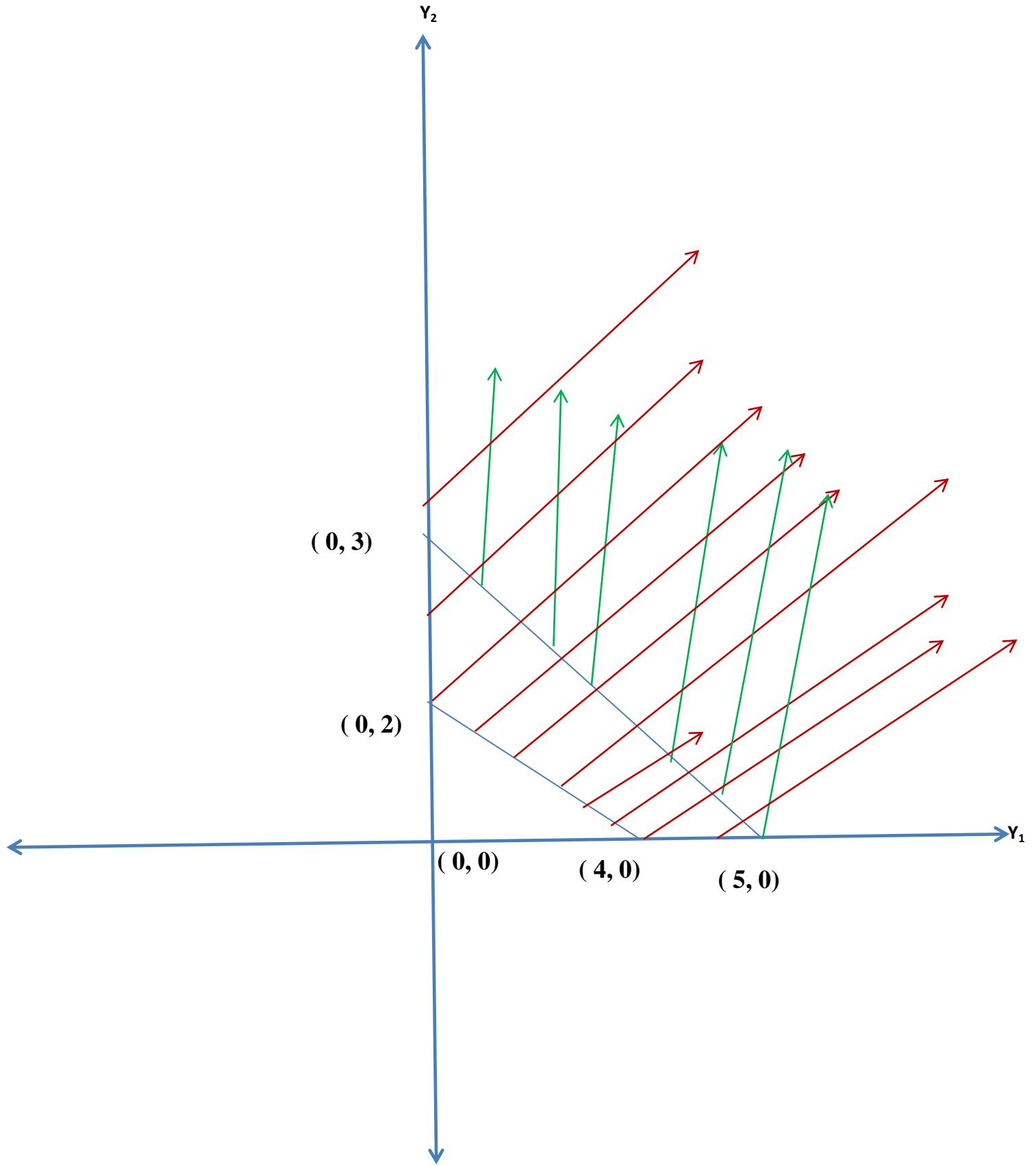
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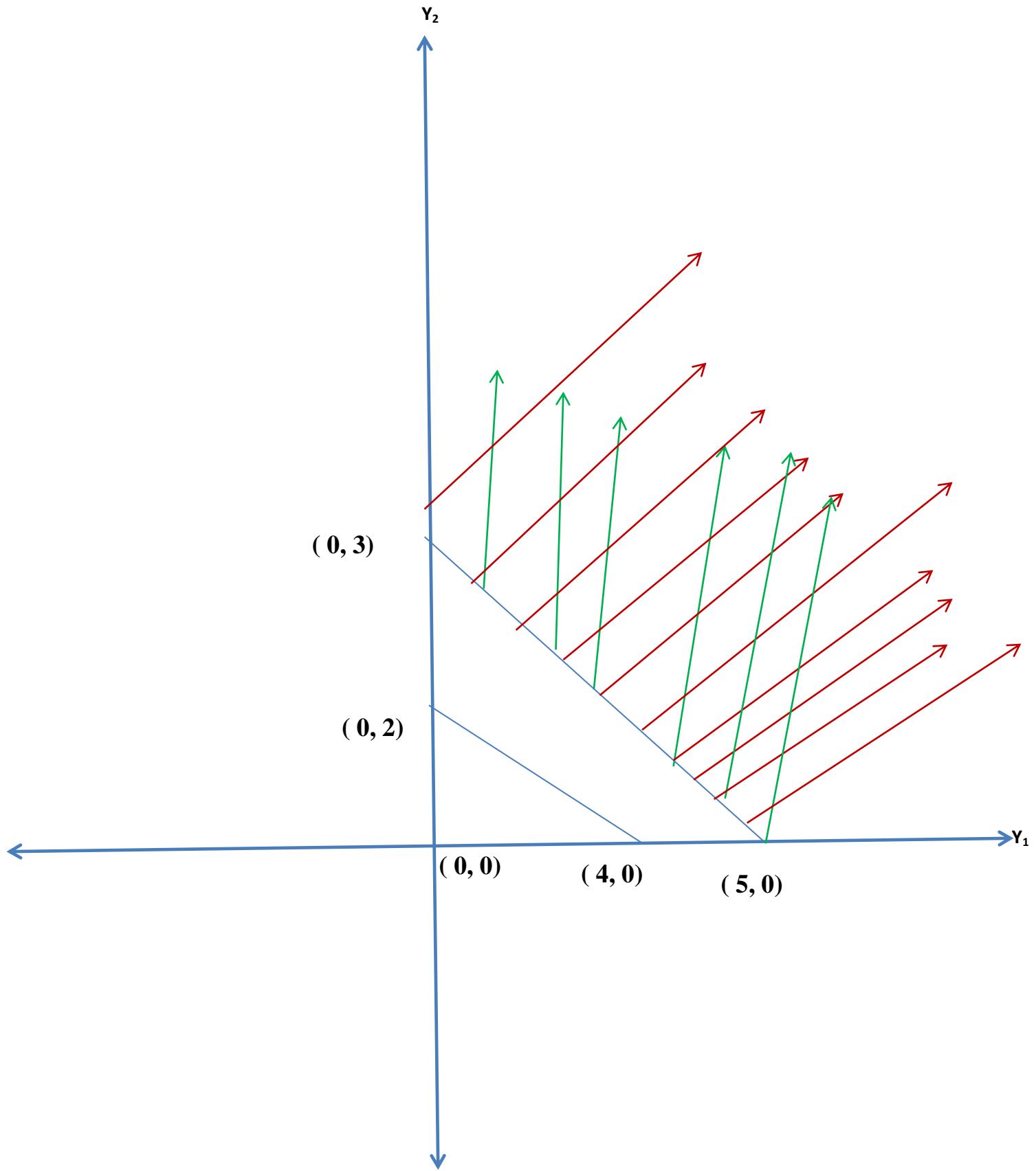


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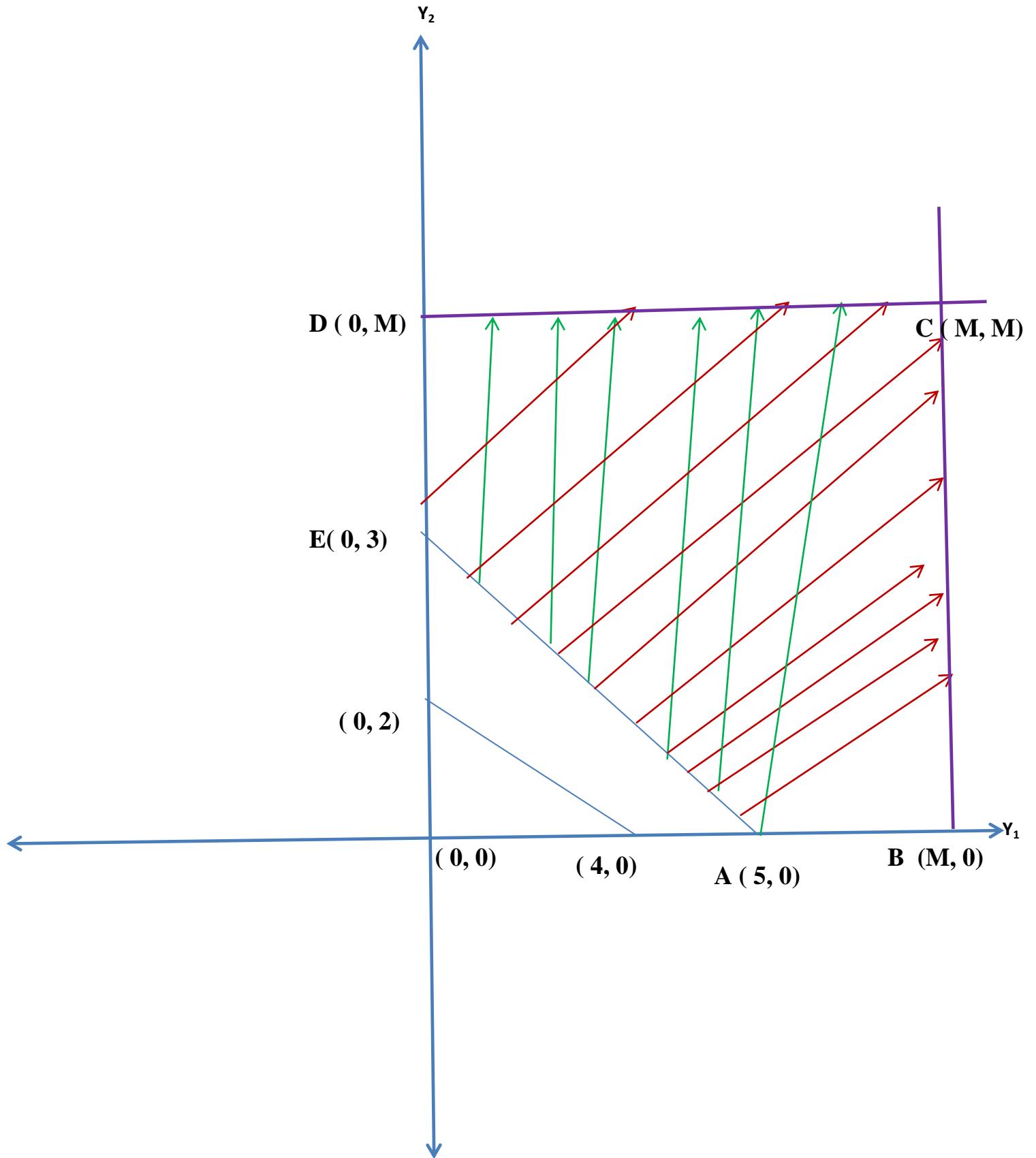
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- A (5,0) is $3*5+2*0=15$
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- D (0, M) is $3*0+2*M=2M$
- E (0, 3) is $3*0+2*3=6$

Since maximum {15,3M,5M,2M,6}=5M which is depending upon M. So, if the problem is of maximization then the problem has unbounded optimal solution.

Since minimum {15,3M,5M,2M,6}=6 which is corresponding to $x_1=0$ and $x_2=3$. So, if the problem is of minimization then the

- Optimal solution is $x_1=0$ and $x_2=3$
- The optimal value is 6

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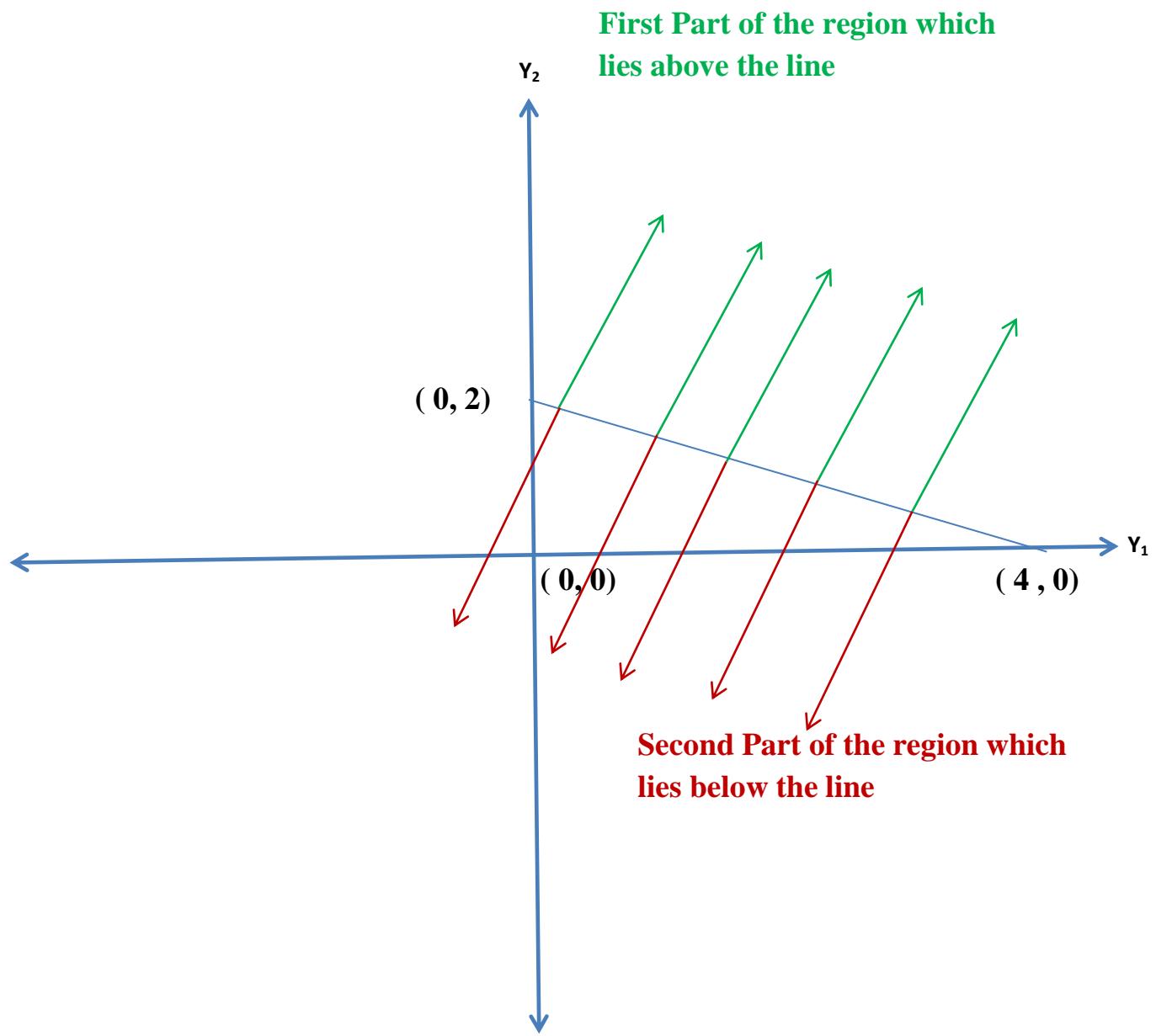
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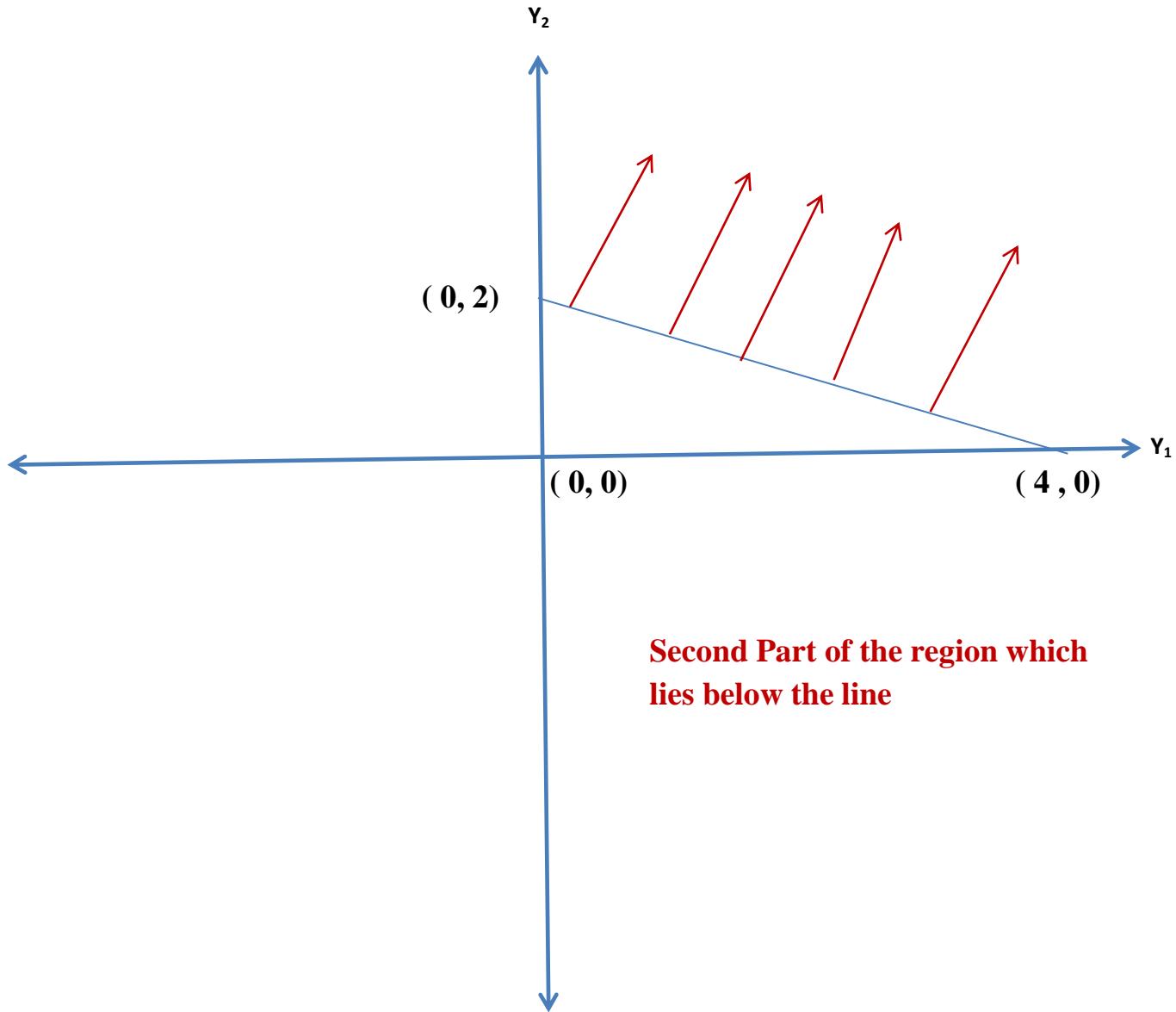
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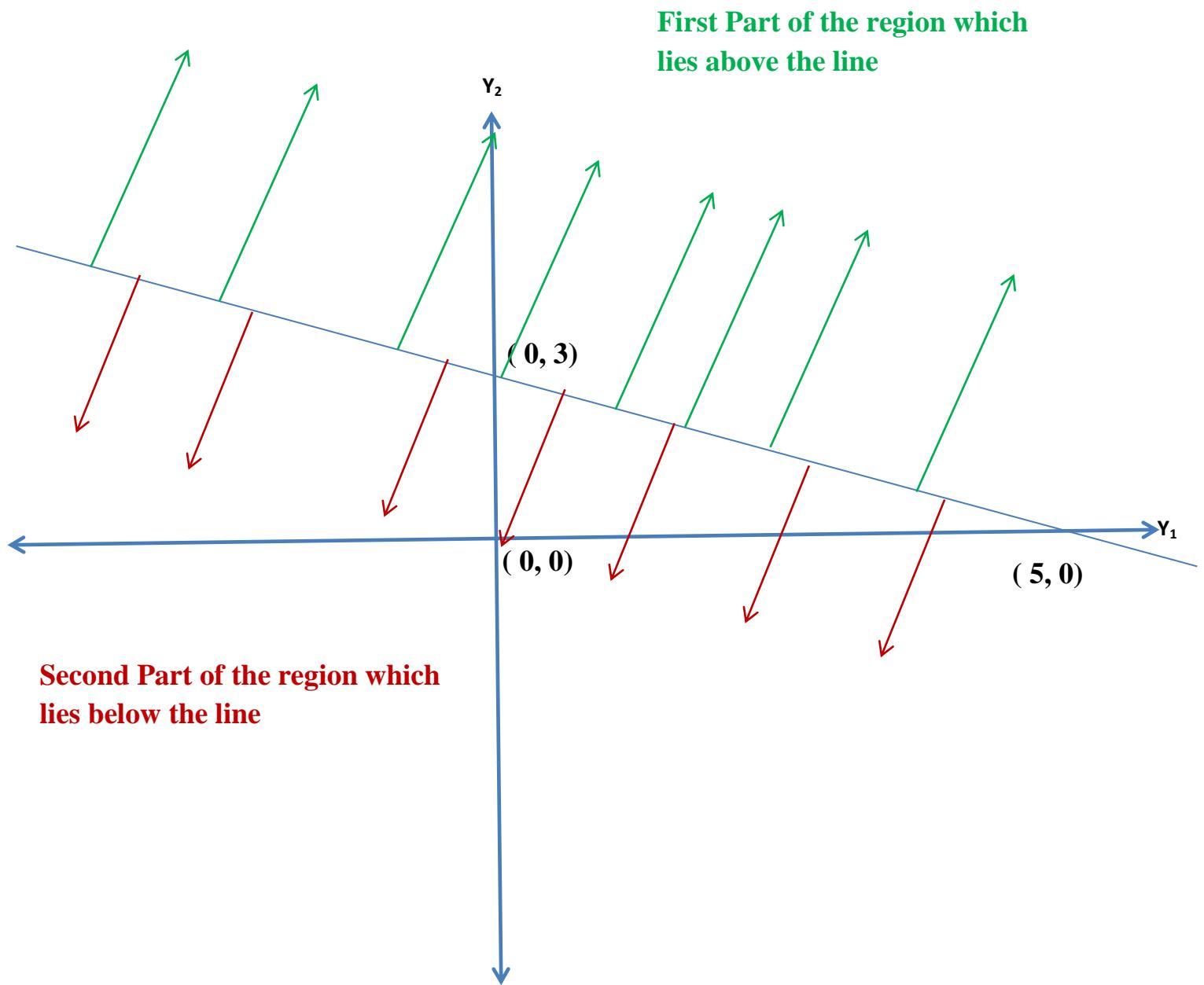
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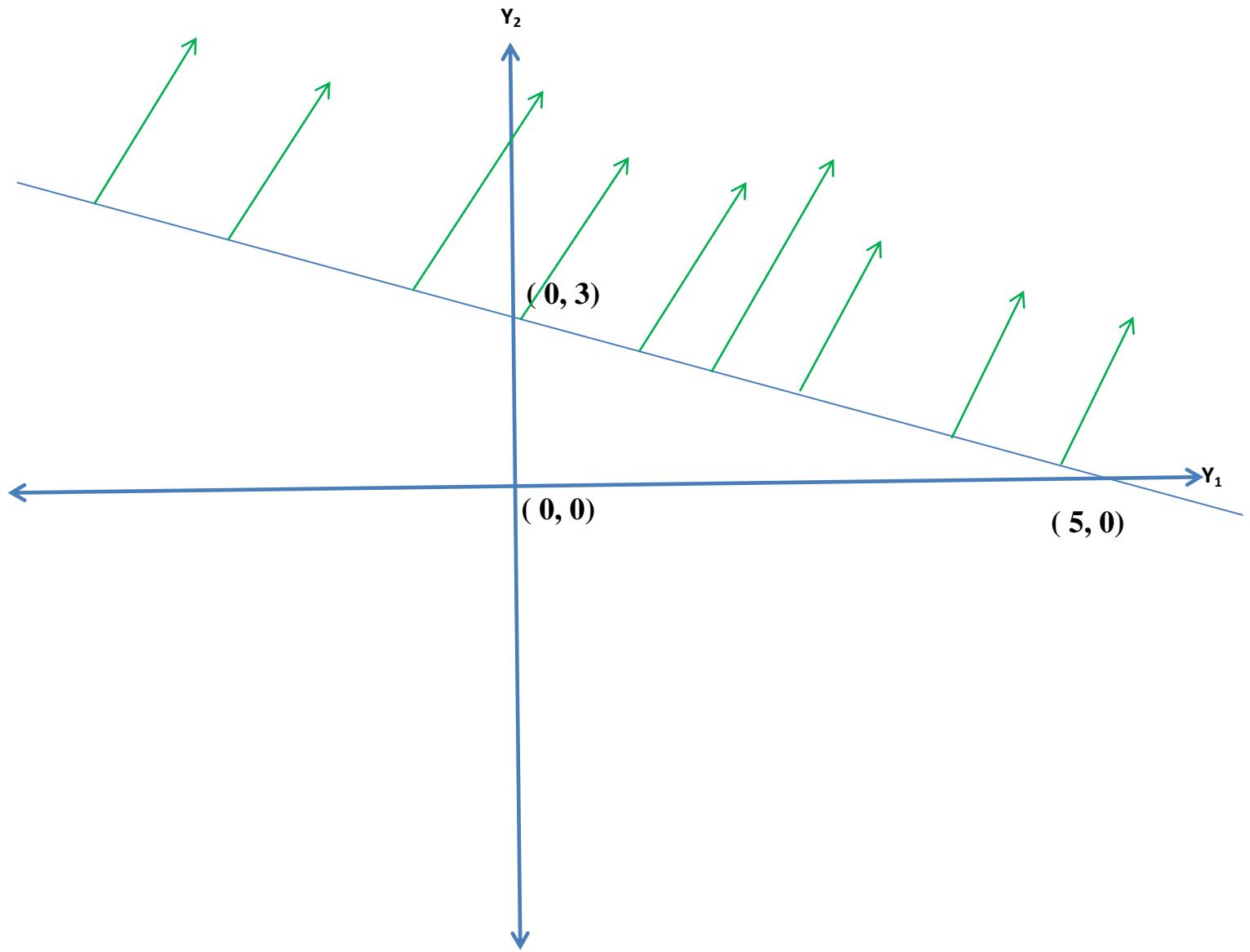
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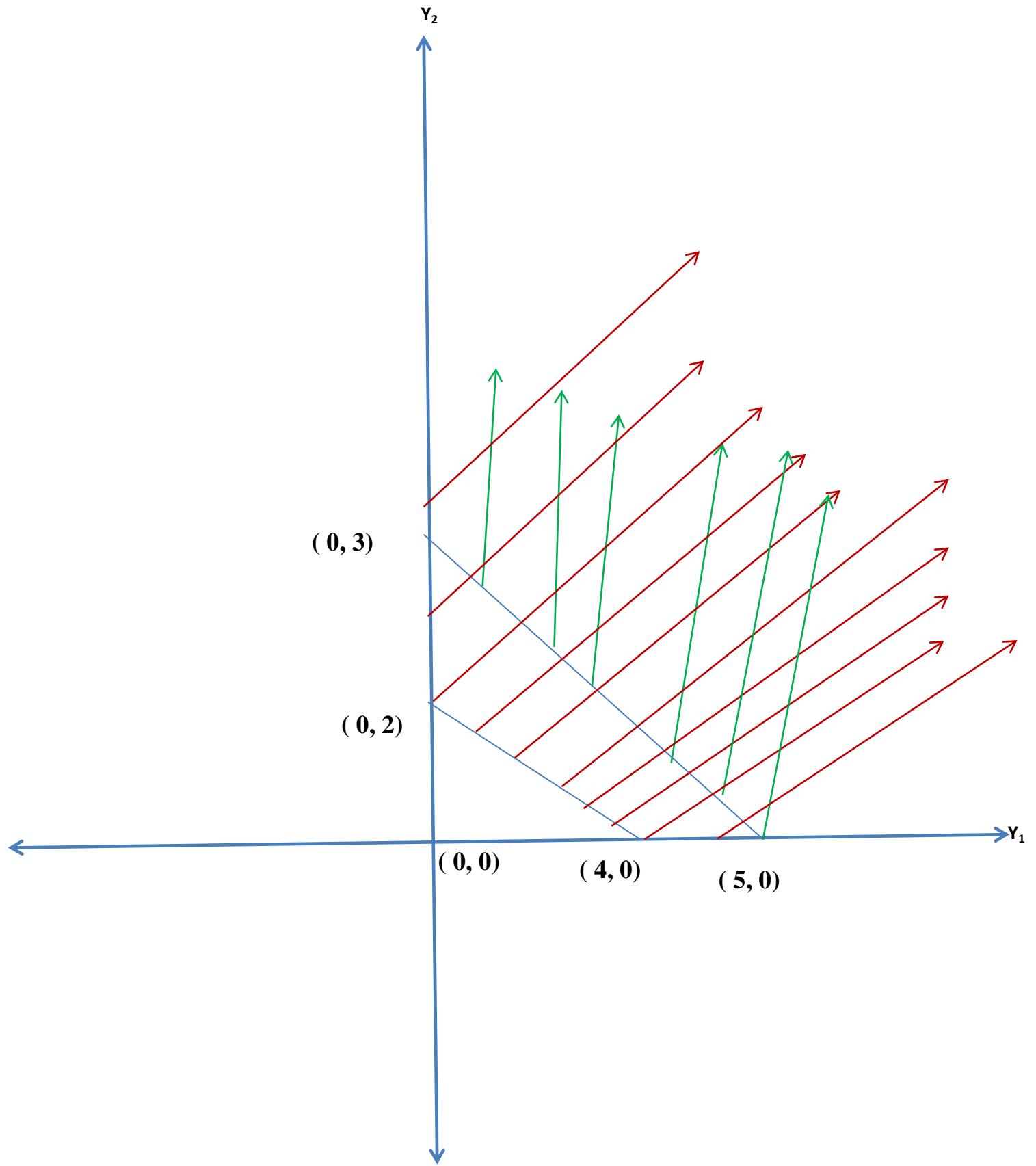
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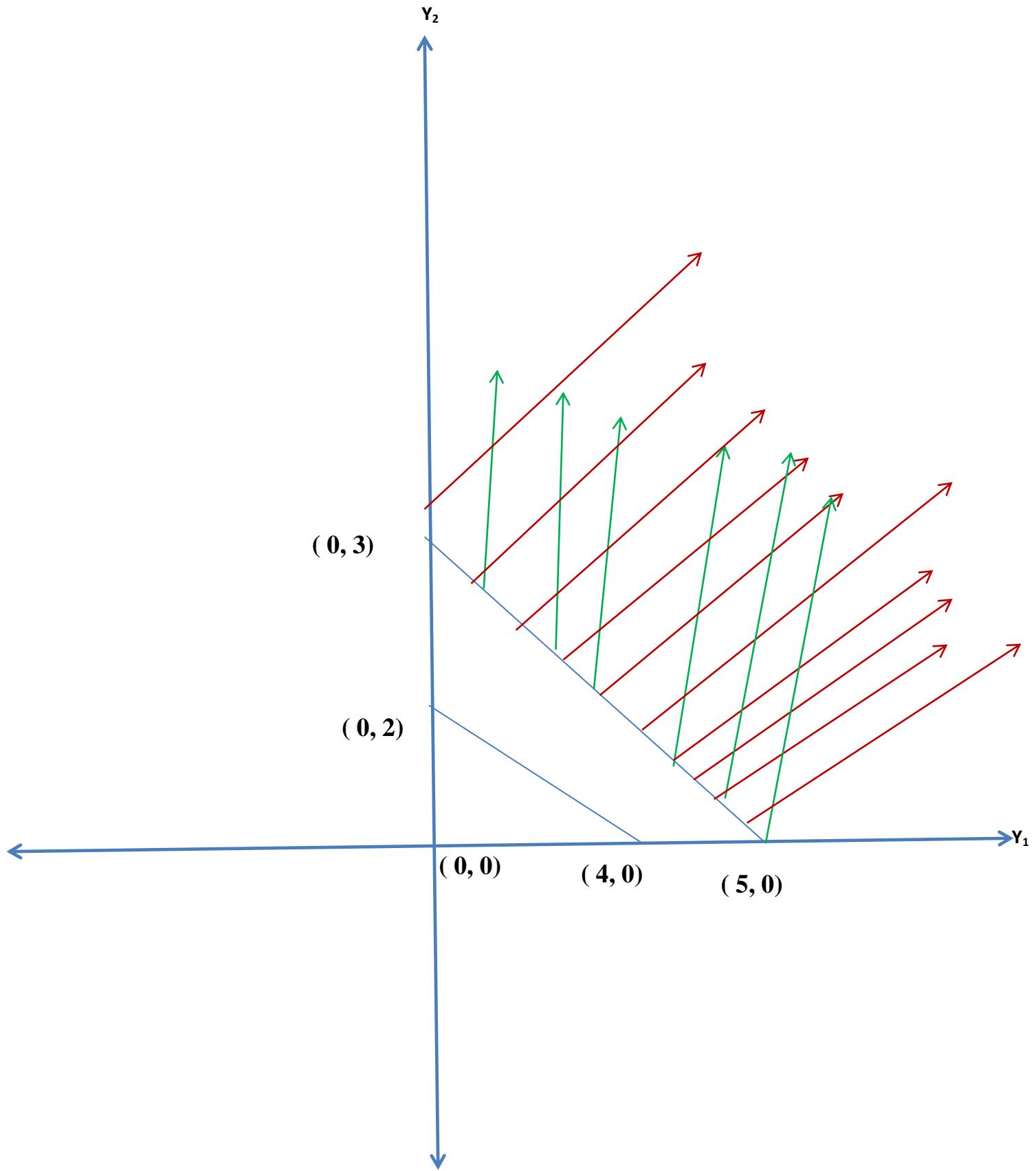


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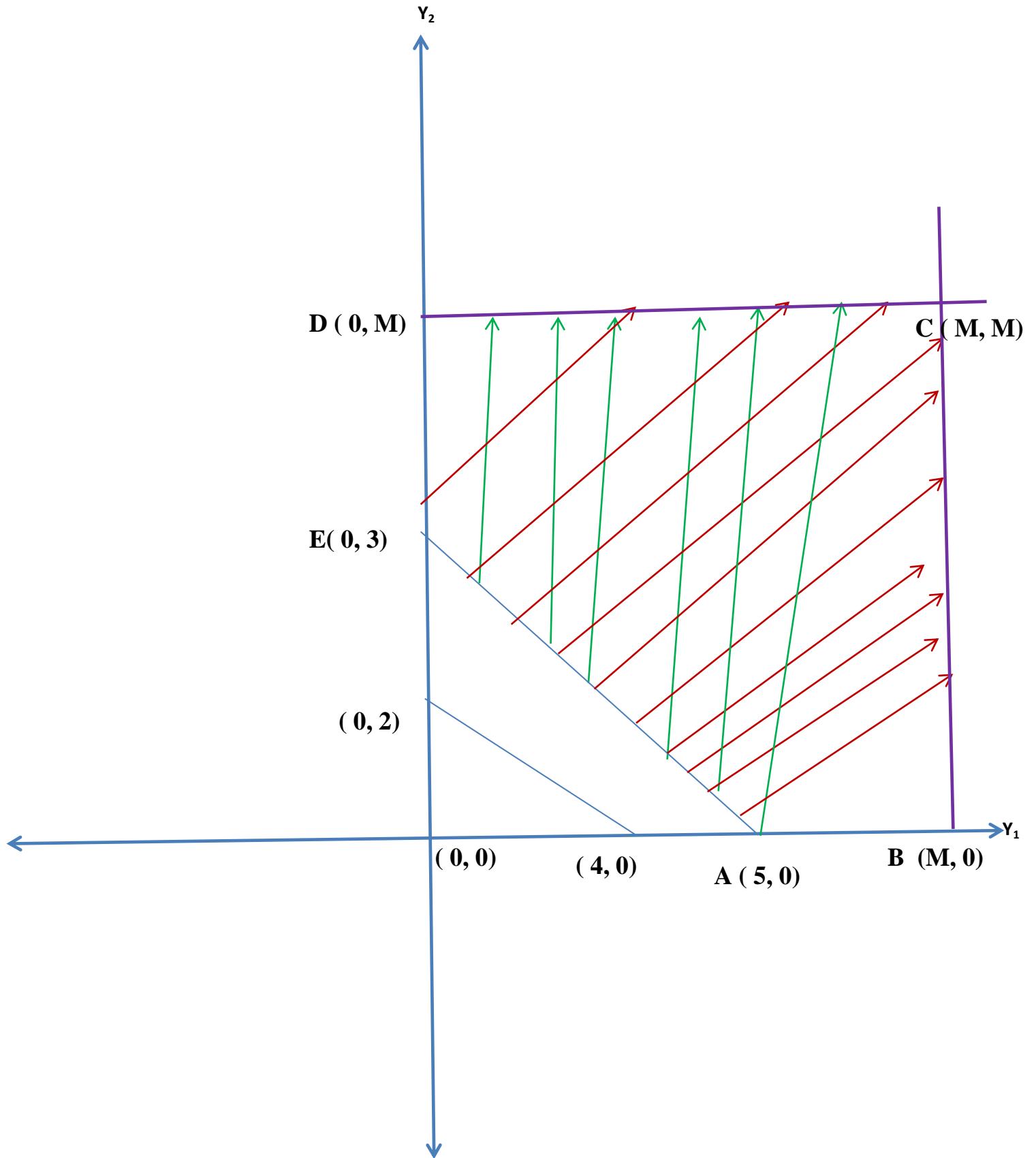
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Value of the objective function $6x_1 + 10x_2$ at

- A (5,0) is $6*5+10*0=30$
- B (M,0) is $6*M+10*0=6M$
- C (M,M) is $6*M+10*M=16M$
- D (0, M) is $6*0+10*M=10M$
- E (0, 3) is $6*0+10*3=30$

Since maximum {30,6M,16M,10M,30}=16M which is depending upon M.

So, if the problem is of maximization then the problem has unbounded optimal solution.

Since minimum {30,6M,16M,10M,30}=30 which is corresponding to

- $x_1=5$ and $x_2=0$

and

- $x_1=0$ and $x_2=3$

So, if the problem is of minimization then the optimal solutions are

➤ $x_1=5$ and $x_2=0$

➤ $x_1=0$ and $x_2=3$

and

the optimal value is 30.

As discussed earlier if two optimal solutions will exist then infinite number of optimal solutions exists which can be obtained as follows:

First optimal solution	Second optimal solution	Alternative optimal solutions
$x_1=5$	$x_1=0$	$x_1=a*5+b*0$
$x_2=0$	$x_2=3$	$x_2=a*0+b*3$

where,

➤ $a \geq 0$

➤ $b \geq 0$

➤ $a+b=1$

For example:

If $a=1/2$ and $b=1/2$ then the alternative solution is $x_1=a*5+b*0 = 5/2+0=5/2$

and $x_2=a*0+b*3=0+3/2=3/2$.

If $a=1/3$ and $b=2/3$ then the alternative solution is $x_1=a*5+b*0 = 5/3+0= 5/3$
and $x_2= a*0+b*3=0+(2/3)*3=2$.

Remark

Alternative solution of a LPP may exist only if a constraint of the LPP will be parallel to the objective function of the LPP i.e.,

Coefficient of first variable in objective function / Coefficient of first variable in a constraint = Coefficient of second variable in objective function / Coefficient of second variable in the same constraint

In the above LPP,

Coefficient of x_1 in the objective function = 6

Coefficient of x_1 in the second constraint = 3

Coefficient of x_2 in the objective function = 10

Coefficient of x_2 in the second constraint = 5

It is obvious that

$6/3 = 10/5$

It is pertinent to mention that if the problem is of maximization then no alternative solution exists. But if the problem is of minimization then alternative optimal solutions exist.

Hence, if the condition will be satisfied then alternative optimal solution may or may not exist.

But, if the condition will not be satisfied then it is sure that alternative optimal solution will not exist.