

CLOSURES

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BY DEFINITION, A FUNCTION OBJECT
RESTS INSIDE A METHOD

SAY WE HAVE A NESTED
FUNCTION OBJECT

CLOSURES

OUTER METHOD

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"REFERENCING ENVIRONMENT"

REMEMBER THIS EQUATION, AND WE
WILL BE JUST FINE!

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THIS SEEMS LIKE MAGIC - AND IT IS.

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LET'S APPLY OUR EQUATION TO AN EXAMPLE

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LET'S GO BACK TO THE GREETING EXAMPLE

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WE HAVE A METHOD THAT
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WHEN THE GREETING METHOD
IS CALLED IT RETURNS A
FUNCTION OBJECT

WHICH IS A CLOSURE

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```

METHOD IS CALLED HERE,
WITHIN THE METHOD THE
CURRDATE VARIABLE IS CREATED

A CLOSURE IS RETURNED AND
STORED IN GREETENGLISH

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```

HERE THE GREETING METHOD

HAS CEASED TO EXIST

BUT, THE CLOSURE CAN STILL
USE THE CURRDATE VARIABLE

CLOSURE = NESTED FUNCTION +
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"REFERENCING"

WHY ARE CLOSURES SO IMPORTANT?
ITS BECAUSE CLOSURES CARRY
THE ENVIRONMENT AROUND
THEM WHEREVER THEY GO

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WHY ARE CLOSURES SO IMPORTANT?

IN A DISTRIBUTED ENVIRONMENT,
CLOSURES MAKE IT EASIER TO SHIP
CODE TO DIFFERENT NODES IN A CLUSTER

CURRYING

CURRYING

LET'S SAY WE ARE PLAYING A
GAME CALLED "IN SIGHT"

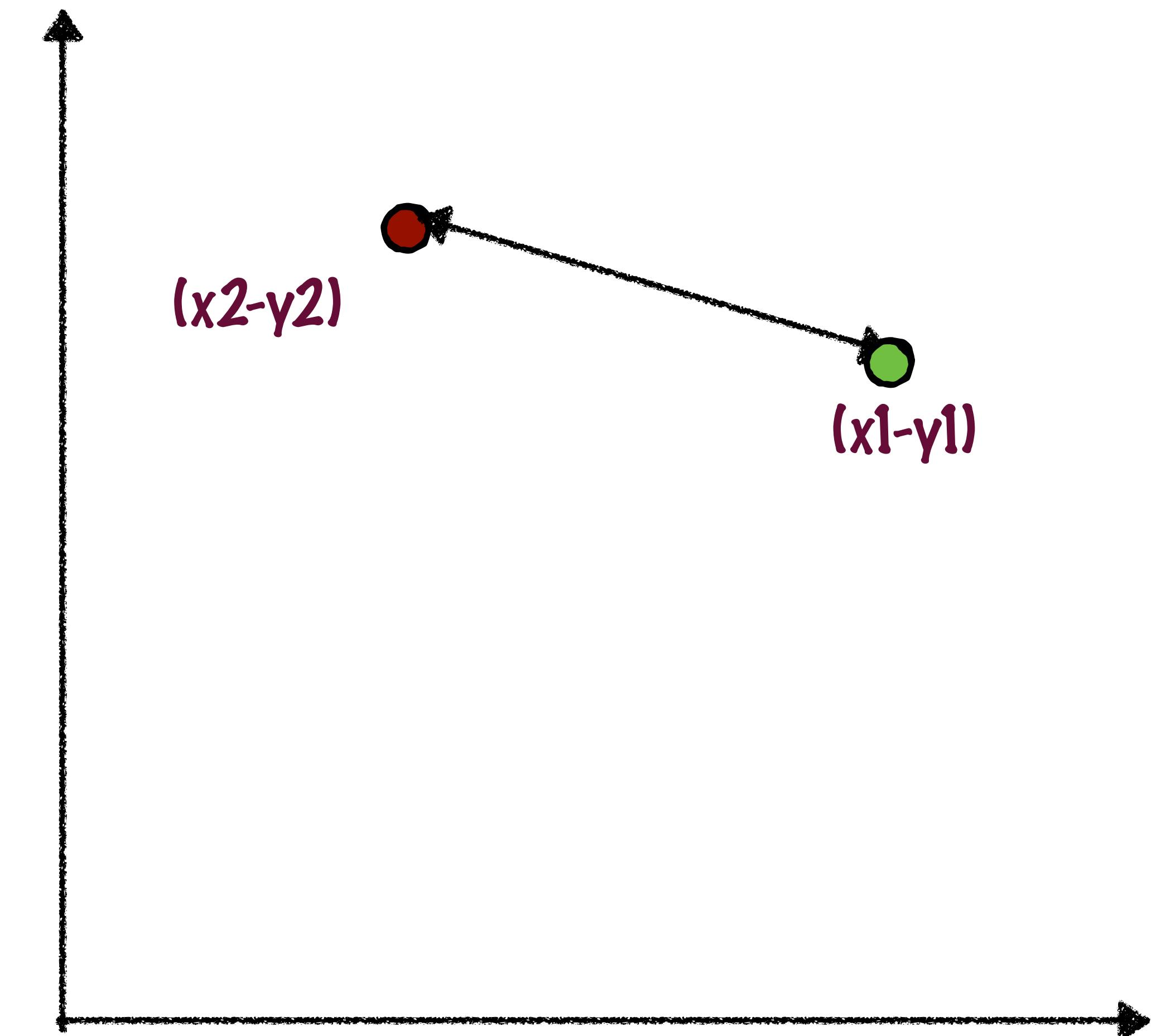
CURRYING

"IN SIGHT"

YOU ARE GIVEN

1. A PERSON'S CO-ORDINATES
2. AN ITEM'S CO-ORDINATES

DETERMINE WHETHER
THE ITEM IS IN VISIBLE
RANGE OF THE PERSON

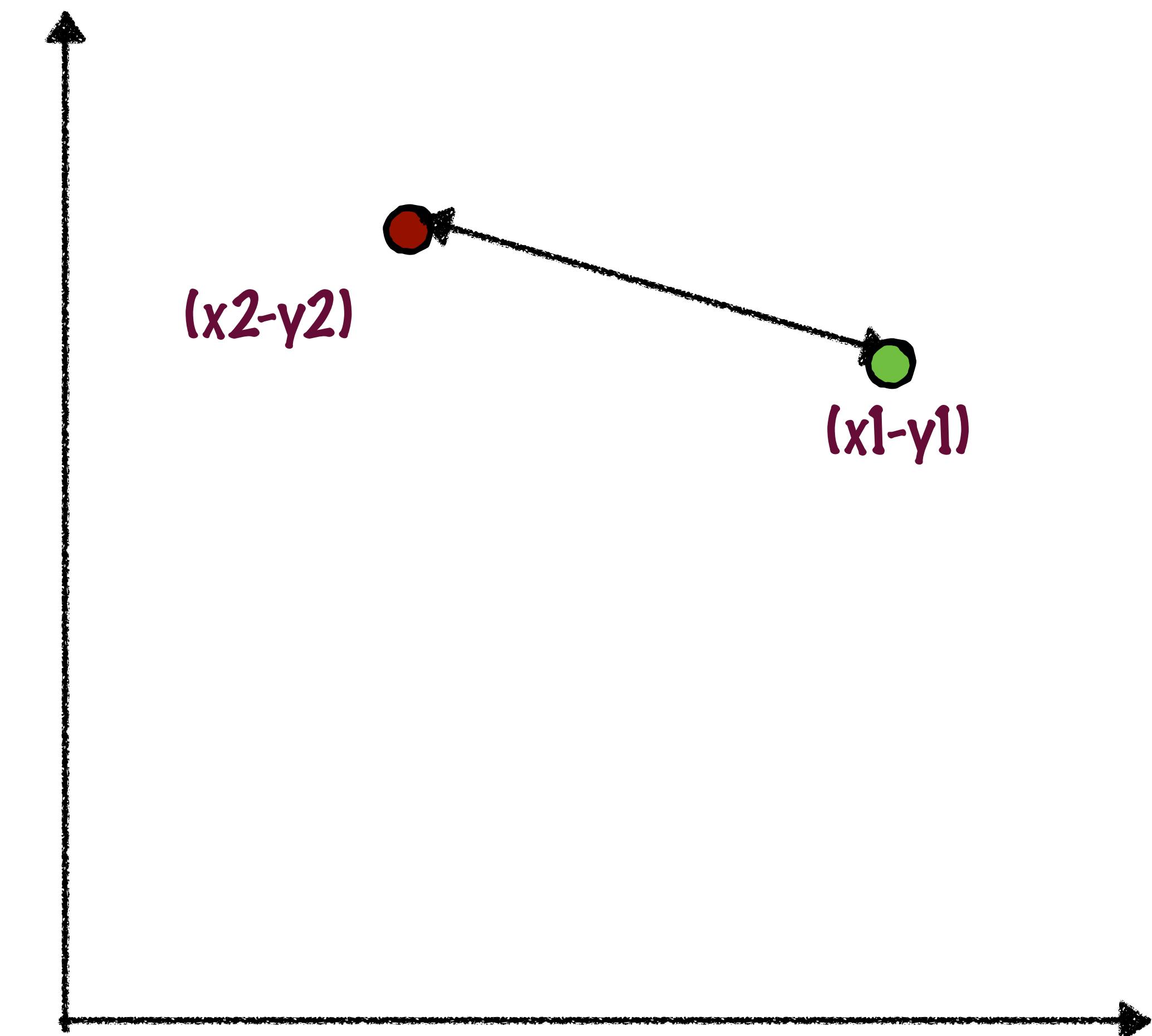


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DETERMINE WHETHER THE
ITEM IS IN VISIBLE RANGE OF
THE PERSON

THE VISIBLE RANGE IS A
CONSTANT DEFINED FOR A
PERSON

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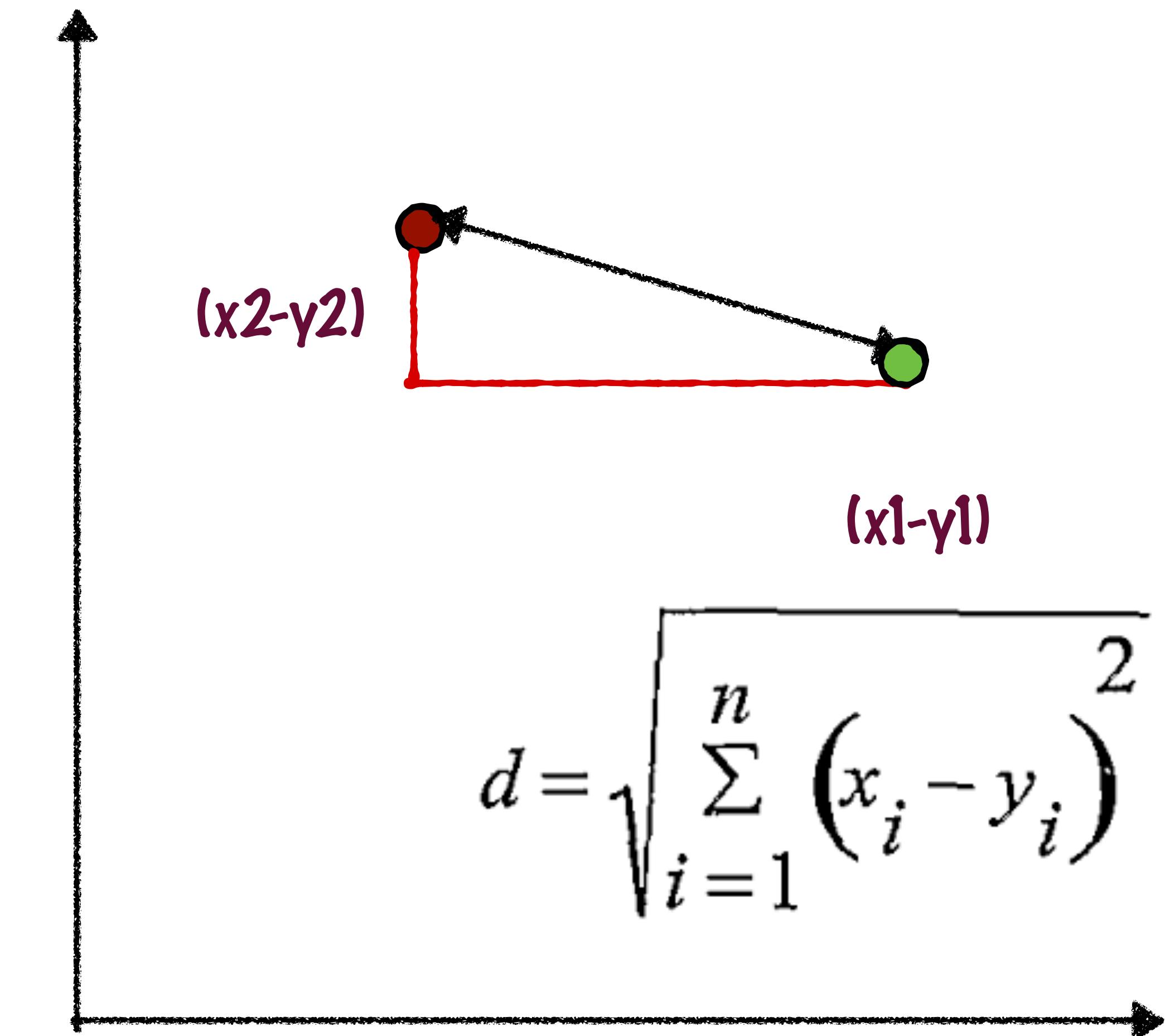


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DETERMINE WHETHER THE
ITEM IS IN VISIBLE RANGE OF
THE PERSON

YOU CAN COMPUTE THE
DISTANCE BETWEEN THE 2
POINTS

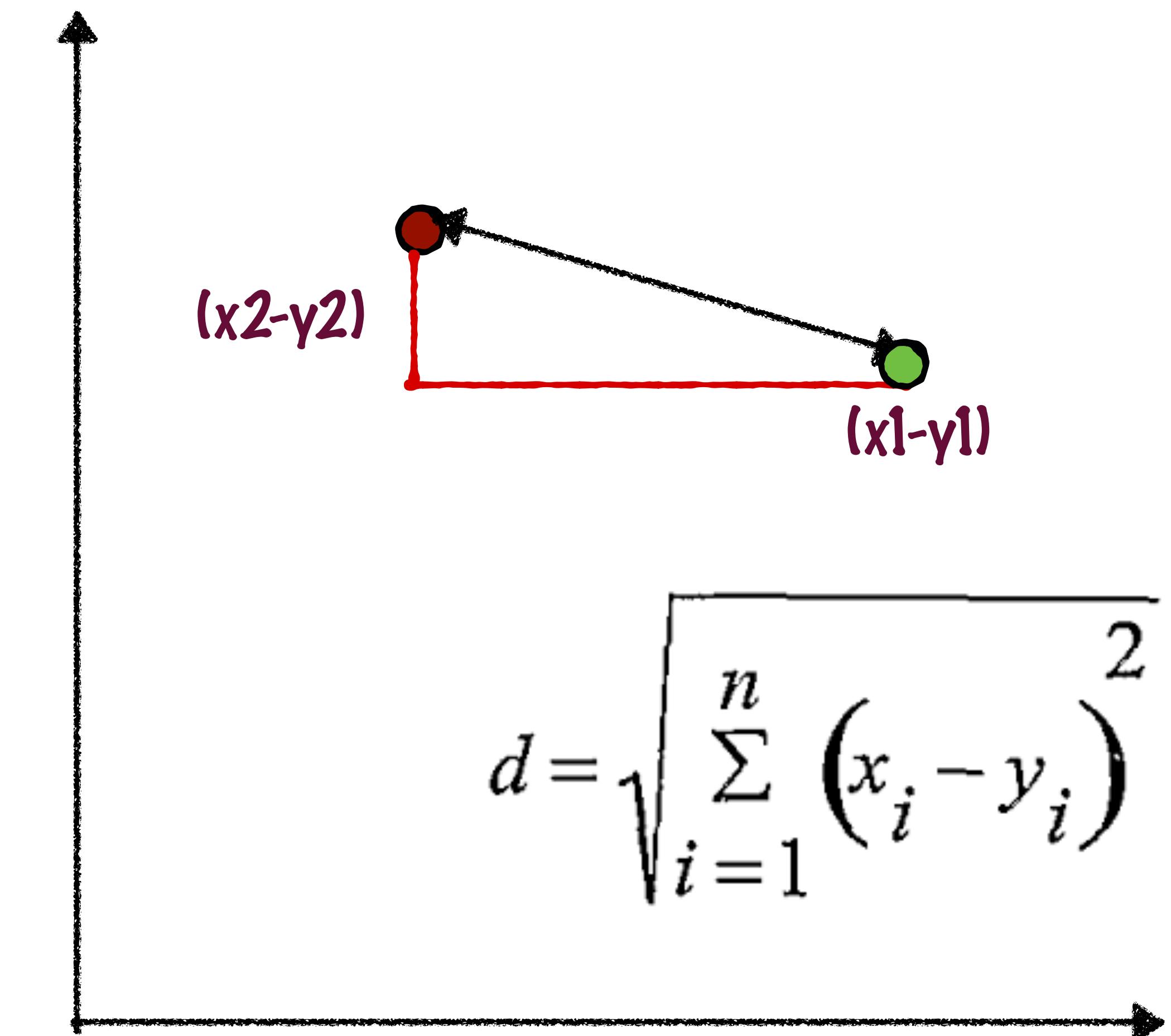


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DETERMINE WHETHER THE
ITEM IS IN VISIBLE RANGE OF
THE PERSON

COMPARE THE DISTANCE
TO THE VISIBLE RANGE
TO SEE IF THE ITEM IS
"IN SIGHT"



CURRYING

"IN SIGHT"

FIRST LET'S SET UP
CLASSES TO
REPRESENT
PERSONS AND ITEMS

CURRYING

"IN SIGHT"

```
class Person(xc: Double, yc: Double, r: Double) {  
  
    val x = xc  
    val y = yc  
    val range = r  
}
```

A PERSON IS DESCRIBED BY
THEIR (X,Y) CO-ORDINATES
AND THEIR VISIBLE RANGE

CURRYING

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SCALA HAS SHORTHAND TO
CREATE SUCH A CLASS

```
case class Person(  
    x: Double,  
    y: Double,  
    range: Double)
```

CURRYING

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"IN SIGHT"

CASE CLASSES ARE SPECIAL TYPE
OF CLASSES THAT BE SETUP USING
JUST A CONSTRUCTOR

SCALA WILL INFER THAT THE
CLASS ENCAPSULATES VARIABLES
WITH THE SAME NAMES AS
THOSE DEFINED THE CONSTRUCTOR

CURRYING

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```

"IN SIGHT"

CASE CLASSES AUTOMATICALLY
COME WITH `toString`,
`hashCode` AND SOME OTHER
METHODS IMPLEMENTED

ALONG WITH BEING SYNTACTIC
SUGAR, CASE CLASSES ALSO HELP
WITH PATTERN MATCHING, BUT WE
WON'T GO INTO THAT HERE

CURRYING

“IN SIGHT”

BACK TO OUR INSIGHT FUNCTION

```
case class Person(x: Double, y: Double, range: Double);
```

```
case class Item(x: Double, y: Double);
```

```
val inSight
= (person: Person, item: Item) => {
    pow( person.x-item.x, 2 ) + pow( person.y-item.y, 2 ) <= pow(person.range, 2)
}
```

```
val p1 = new Person(0,1,2)
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```
val i1 = new Item(1,1)
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CURRYING

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SET UP BOTH THE PERSON
AND ITEM CLASSES

CURRYING

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SET UP A FEW PERSON
AND ITEM OBJECTS

CURRYING

“IN SIGHT”

```
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case class Item(x: Double, y: Double);
```

```
val inSight
```

```
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A FUNCTION THAT RETURNS
TRUE IF THE ITEM IS IN THE
PERSON'S VISIBLE RANGE

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THE FUNCTION TAKES A
PERSON AND AN ITEM

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THE SQUARE OF THE
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CURRYING "IN SIGHT"
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WE CALL THE FUNCTION TO
CHECK WHETHER EACH ITEM
IS WITHIN VISIBLE RANGE

CURRYING

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“IN SIGHT”

THE SAME ARGUMENT IS
PASSED IN WITH EACH
FUNCTION CALL

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"IN SIGHT"

IMAGINE THIS FUNCTION DID
SOME COMPLEX CALCULATIONS
WITH THE MEMBERS OF P1
THAT CALCULATION WOULD
HAVE TO BE REPEATED
EVERY TIME

CURRYING

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"IN SIGHT"

WHAT IF WE COULD HAVE A
FUNCTION SPECIFIC TO THE
PERSON?

THIS IS EXACTLY THE
IDEA BEHIND CURRYING

CURRYING

“IN SIGHT”

```
val inSightCurried = (person: Person) => (item: Item ) => inSight(person, item)
```

INSIGHTCURRIED IS A
FUNCTION

CURRYING

“IN SIGHT”

```
val inSightCurried = (person: Person) => (item: Item ) => inSight(person, item)
```

IT TAKES A PERSON AS AN
ARGUMENT

CURRYING

“IN SIGHT”

```
val inSightCurried = (person: Person) => (item: Item ) => inSight(person,item)
```

RETURNS ANOTHER
FUNCTION

CURRYING

“IN SIGHT”

```
val inSightCurried = (person: Person) => (item: Item ) => inSight(person,item)
```

```
val inSightForP1= inSightCurried(p1)
```

A NEW FUNCTION OBJECT
WHICH ONLY NEEDS 1
ARGUMENT

CURRYING

"IN SIGHT"

```
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```

```
val inSightForP1= inSightCurried(p1)
```

```
inSightForP1(i1)  
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```

USE THIS TO FIND WHETHER
EACH OF THE ITEMS ARE IN
VISIBLE RANGE OF P1

CURRYING

LET'S SUMMARIZE
WHENEVER YOU HAVE A FUNCTION
WITH MULTIPLE ARGUMENTS

$$(x, y, z) \Rightarrow F(x, y, z)$$

YOU CAN CREATE A CHAIN OF FUNCTIONS,
EACH WITH ONLY 1 ARGUMENT

$$x \Rightarrow y \Rightarrow z \Rightarrow F(x, y, z)$$

CURRYING

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FIRST FUNCTION TAKES
ONLY X AS AN ARGUMENT

CURRYING

x => y => z => F(x, y, z)

RETURNS A FUNCTION
WHICH TAKES Y AS AN
ARGUMENT

THIS FUNCTION TAKES Y

CURRYING

x => y => z => F(x, y, z)

RETURNS A FUNCTION
WHICH TAKES Z AS AN
ARGUMENT

THIS FUNCTION TAKES Z

CURRYING

x => y => z => F(x, y, z)

RETURNS A VALUE

THIS PROCESS OF CONVERTING
A FUNCTION INTO A CHAIN OF
FUNCTIONS IS CALLED CURRYING

CURRYING

```
x => y => z => F(x,y,z)
```

**CURRYING IS A COMMONLY
USED FUNCTIONAL
PROGRAMMING CONSTRUCT**

CURRIED METHODS

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CURRIED METHODS CAN TAKE MULTIPLE
ARGUMENTS

IF ONLY 1 ARGUMENT IS
GIVEN, THEY RETURN A
FUNCTION OBJECT

CURRIED METHODS

```
def curriedSum(x: Int)(y: Int) = x + y
```

A CURRIED METHOD TO COMPUTE
THE SUM OF 2 INTEGERS

```
scala> curriedSum(1)(2)
res1: Int = 3
```

Curried Methods

```
def curriedSum(x: Int)(y: Int) = x + y
```

PARTIALLY APPLYING THIS METHOD
RETURNS A FUNCTION OBJECT

```
scala> val twoPlus = curriedSum(2)_
```

```
twoPlus: Int => Int = <function1>
```