Math 3B: Lecture 23

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Often in real life situations we would like to study a system that includes an unknown parameter

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}t} = f(y, a)$$

The behaviour of the solution depends on a!

Example

We have been studying populations growing logistically. We also considered their behaviour under harvesting, but suppose we don't know exactly how many are harvested and we want to understand the effect of different harvesting rates.

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}N}{\mathrm{d}t} = N(1 - N) - h$$

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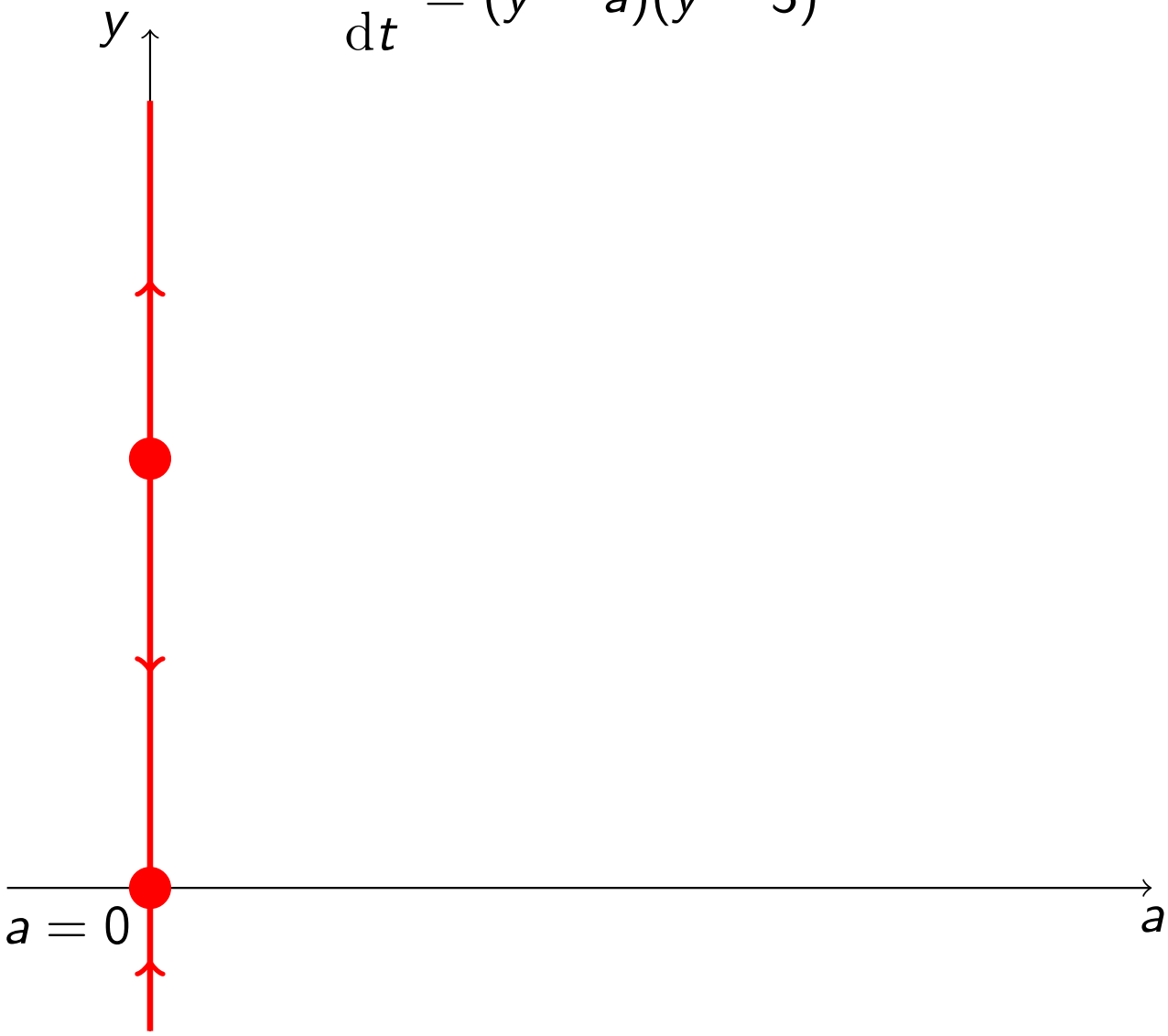

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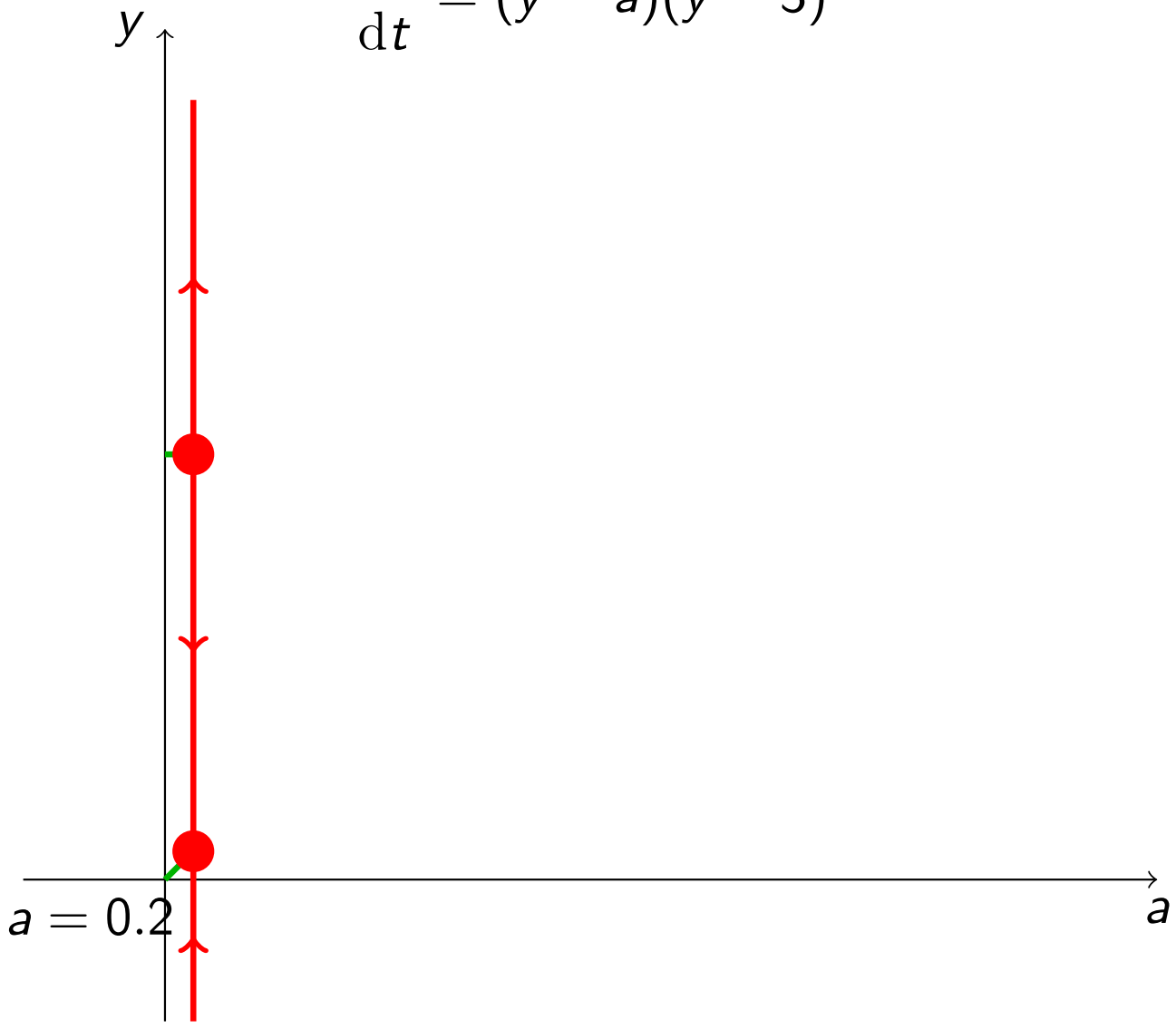

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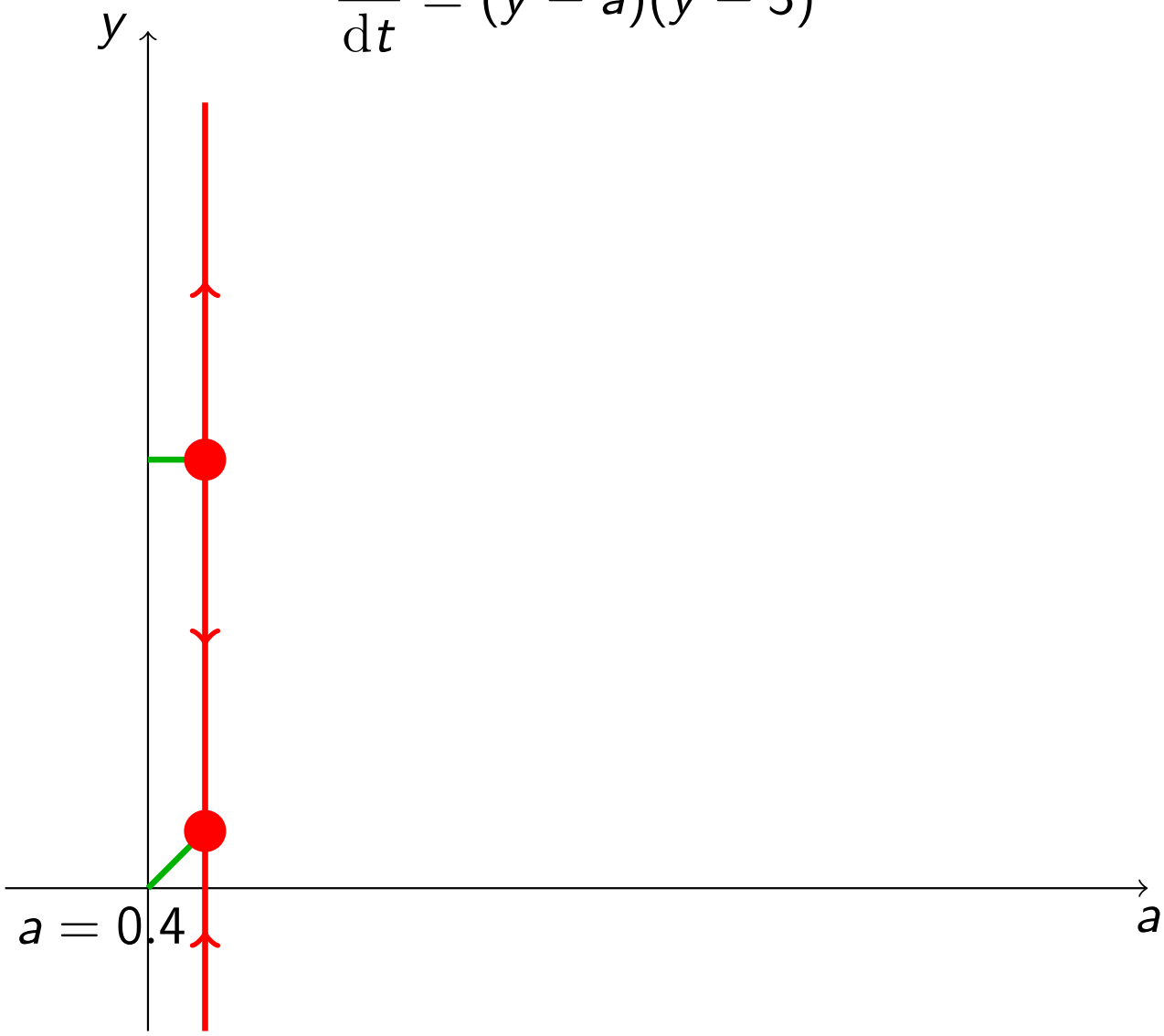

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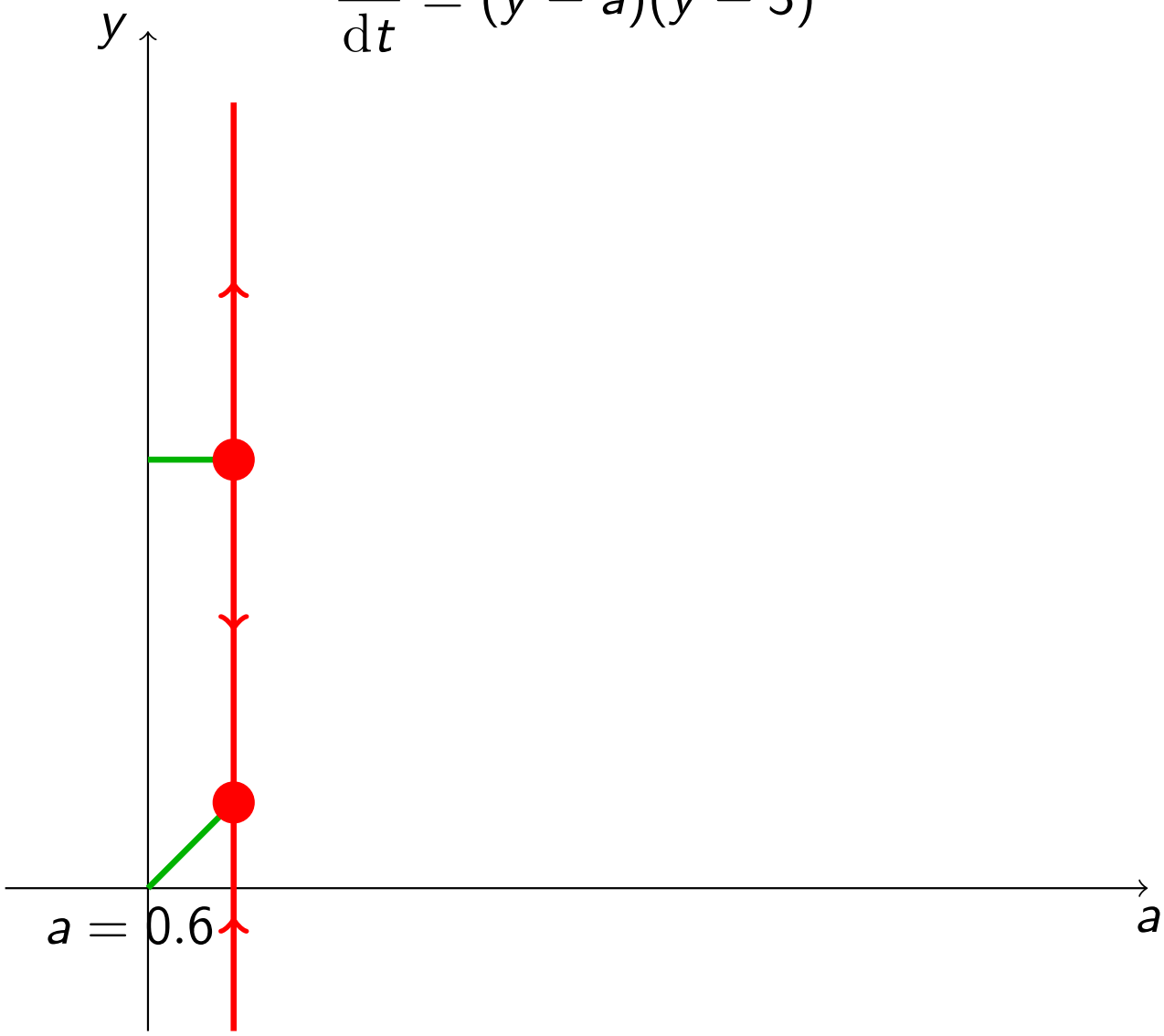

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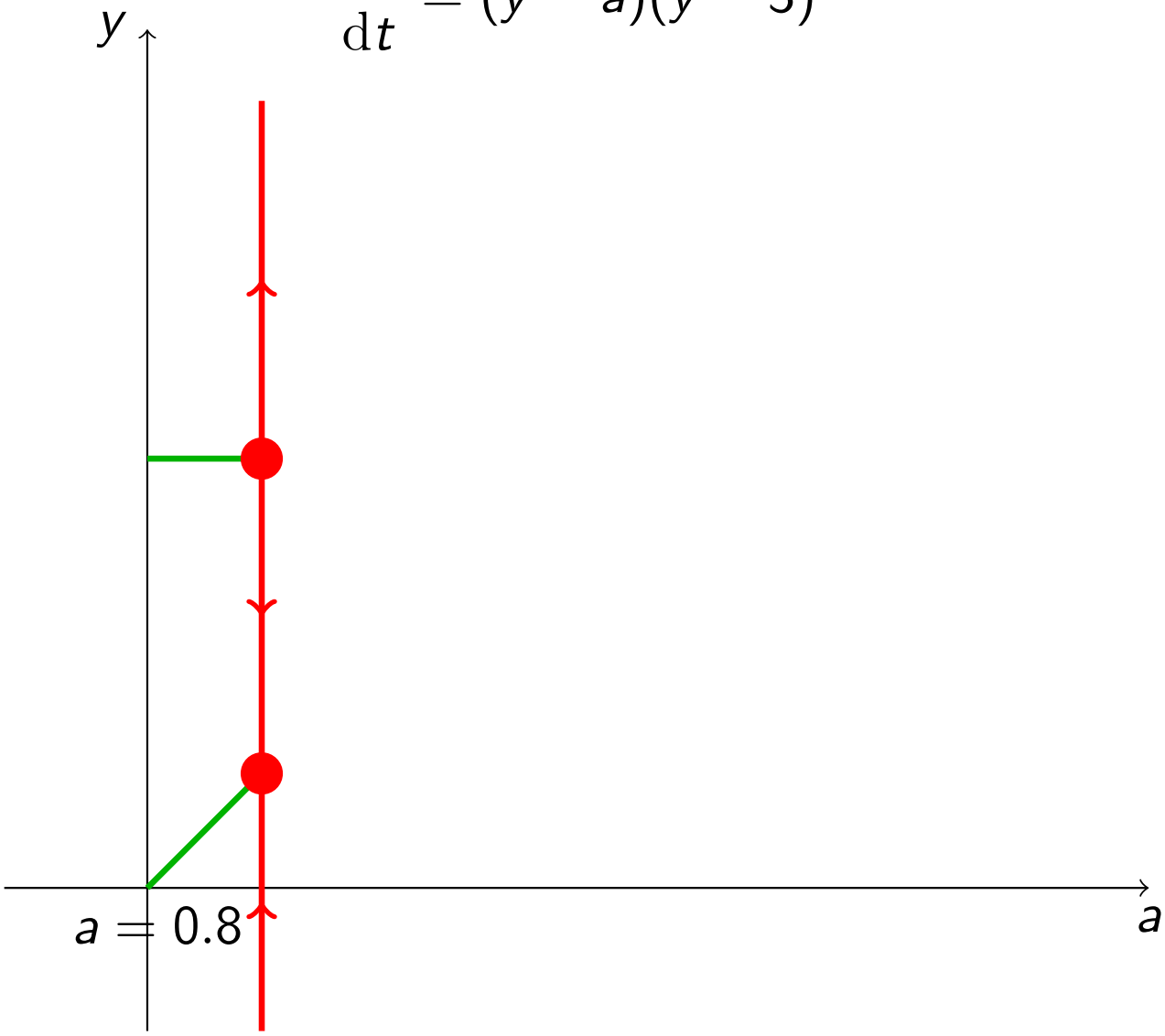

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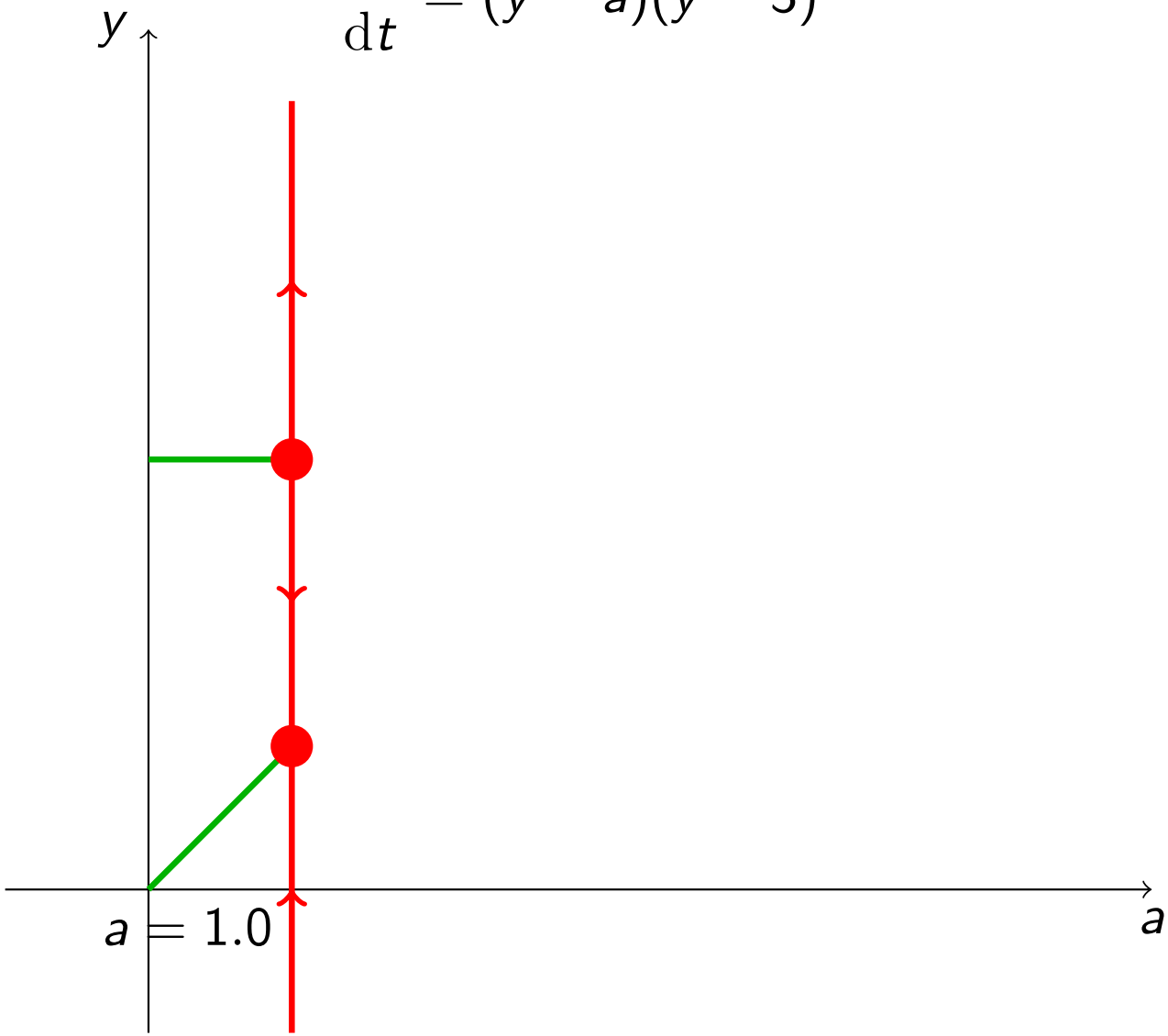

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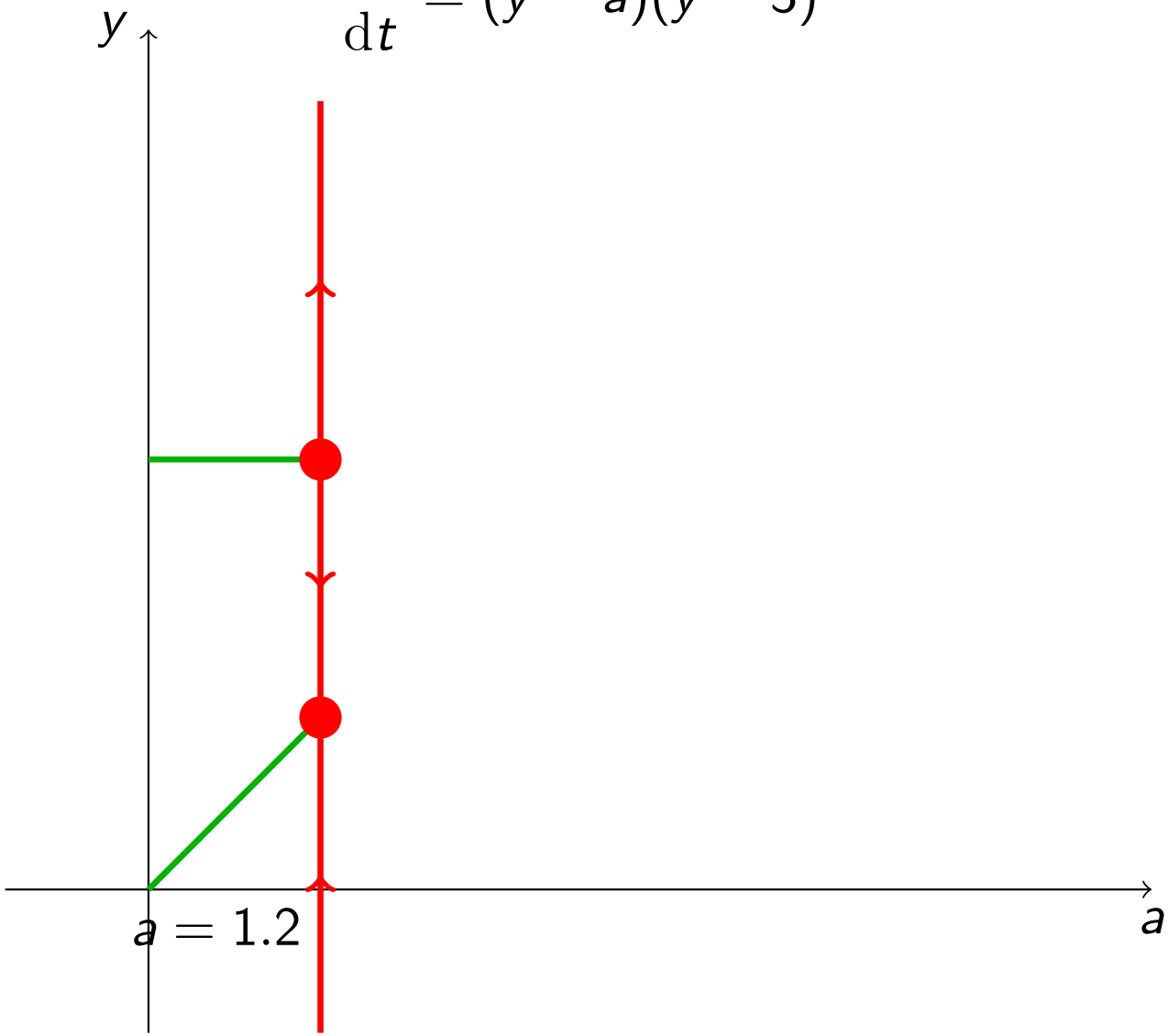

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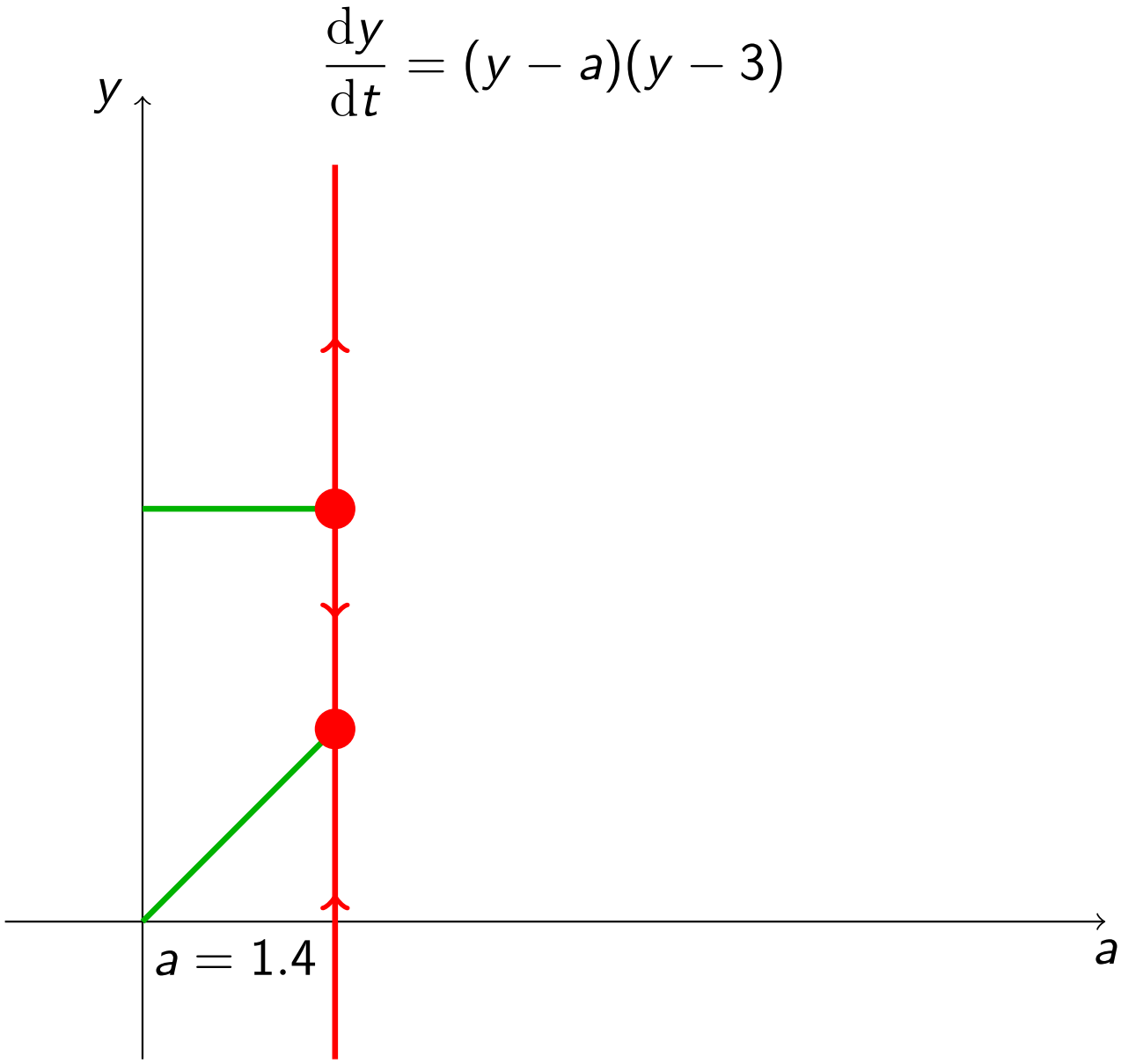

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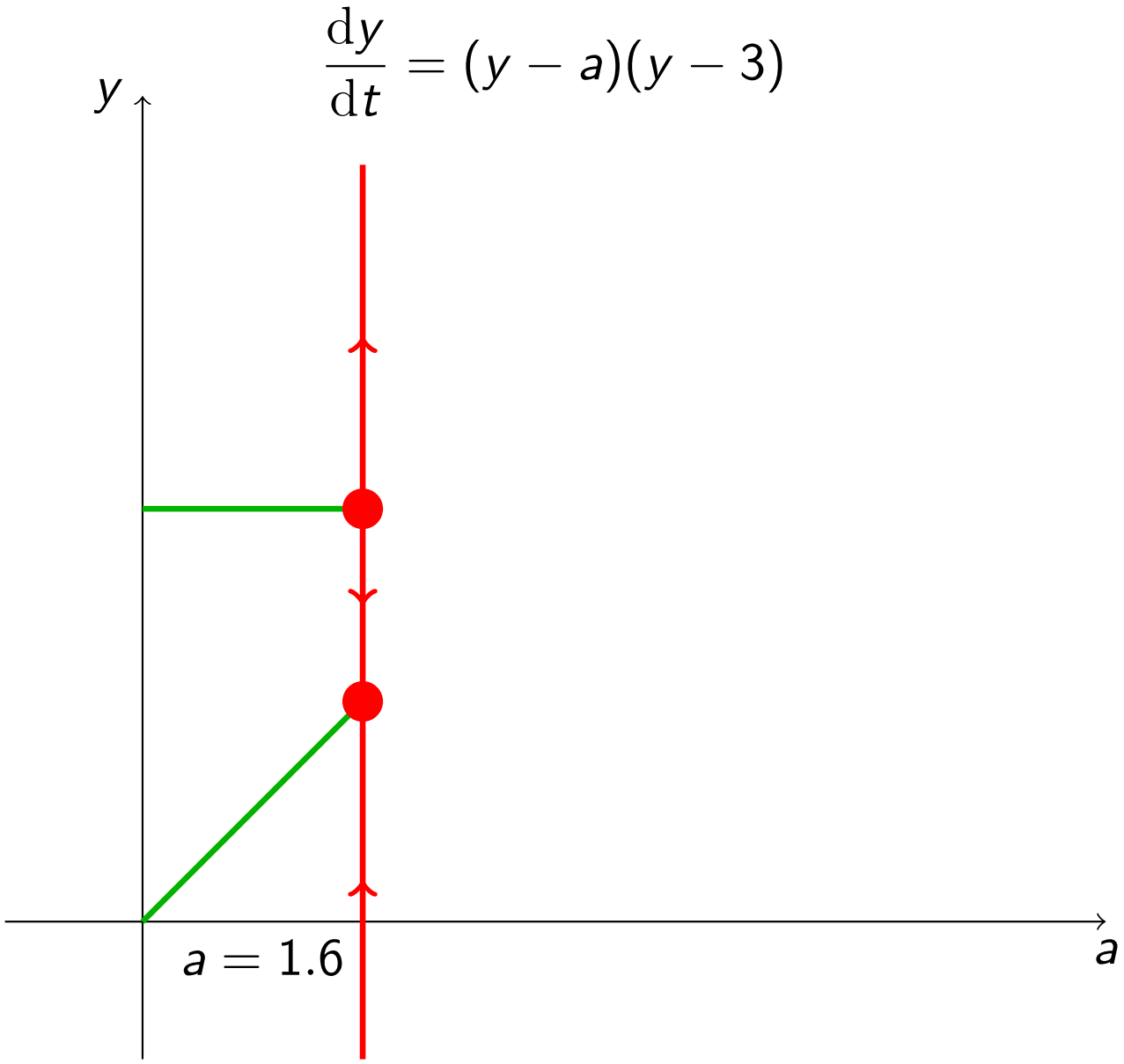

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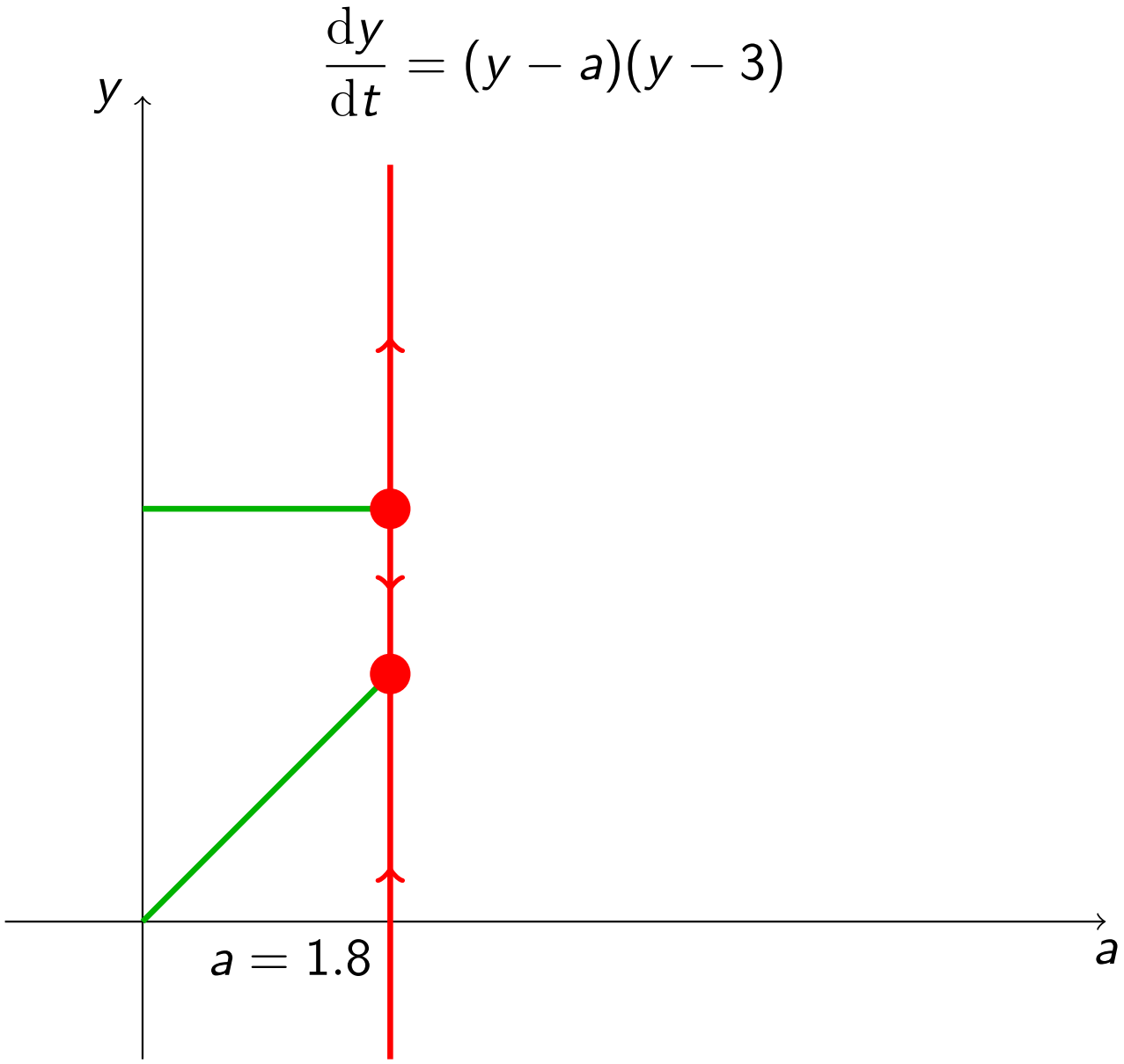

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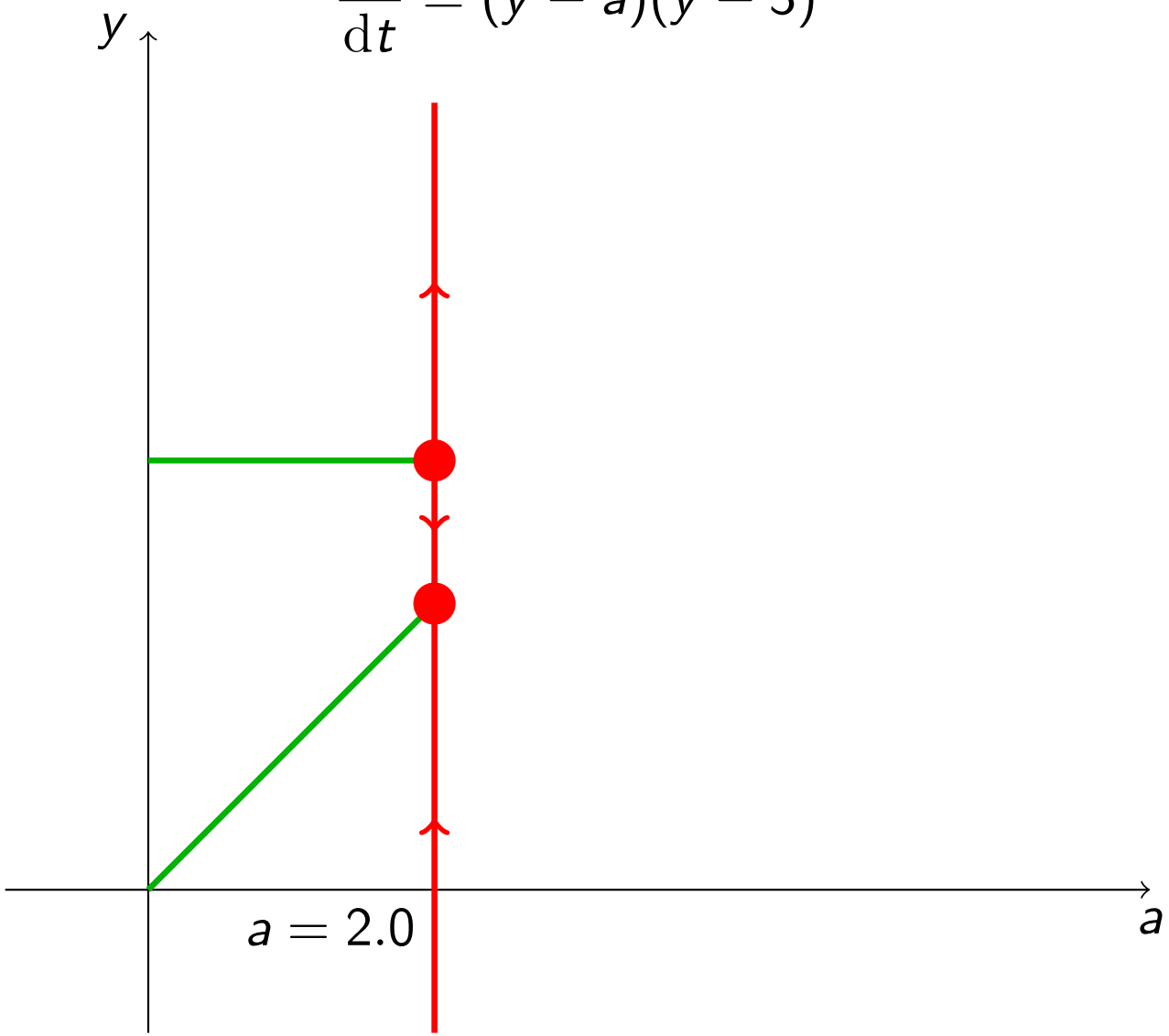

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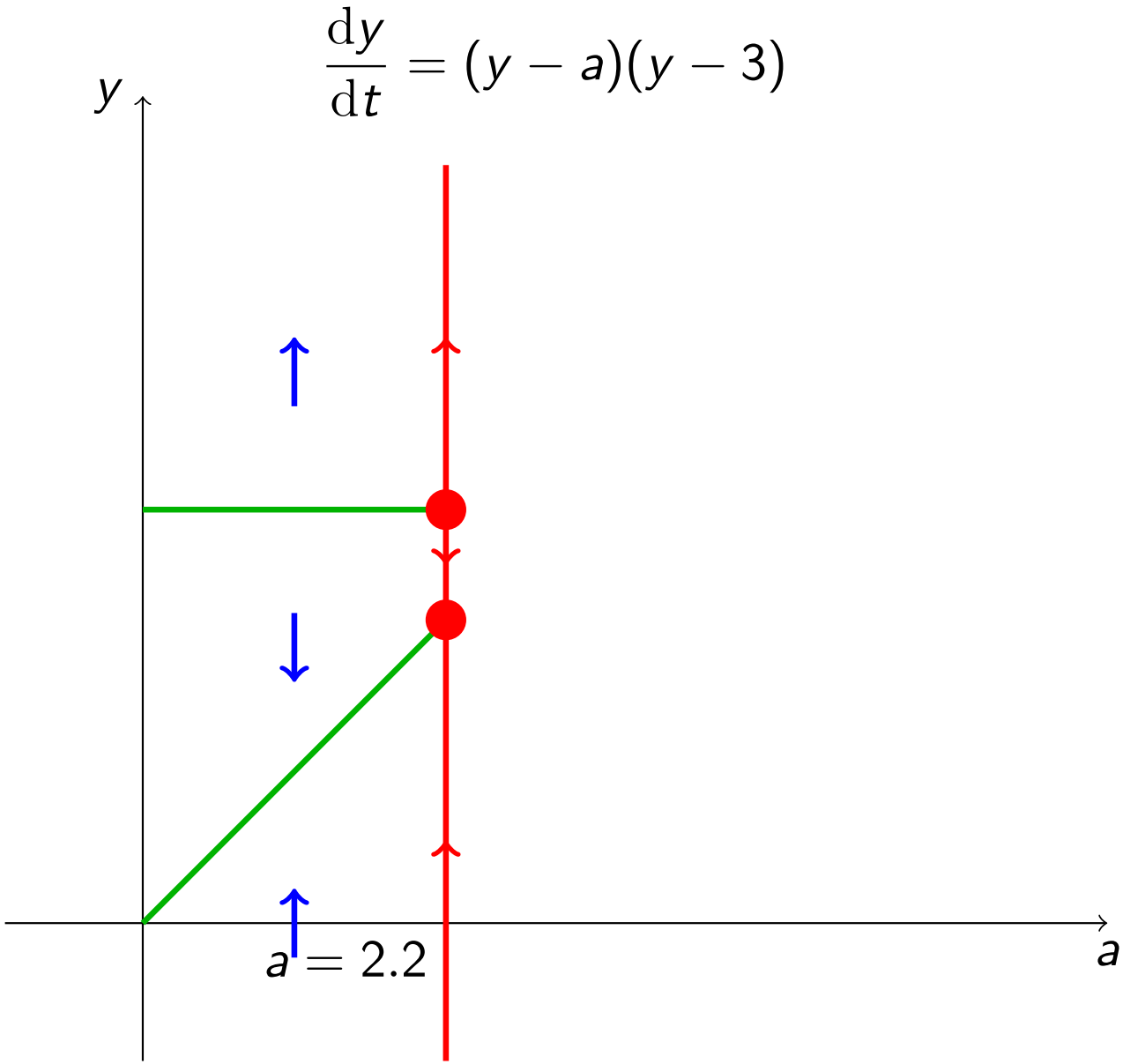

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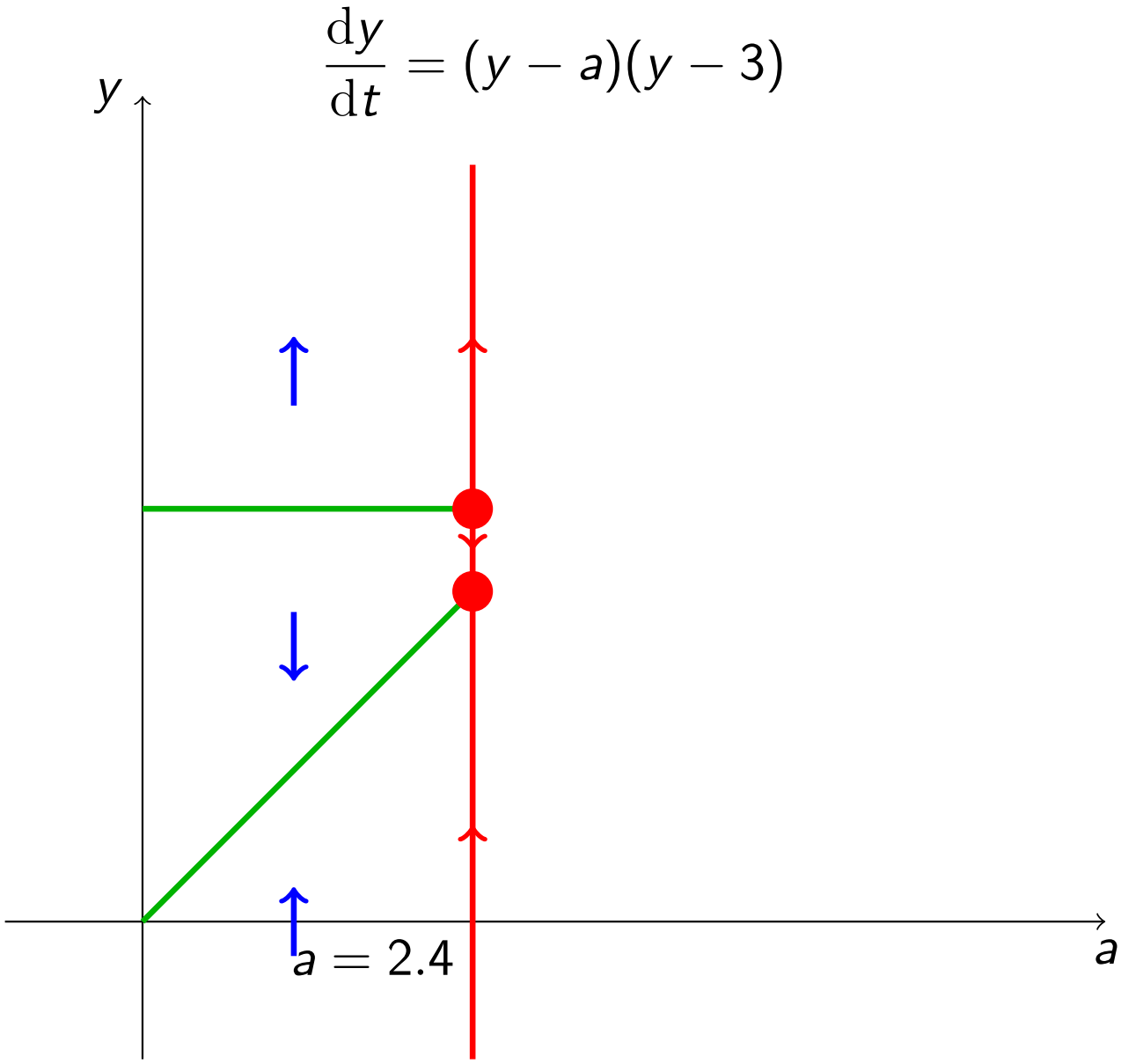

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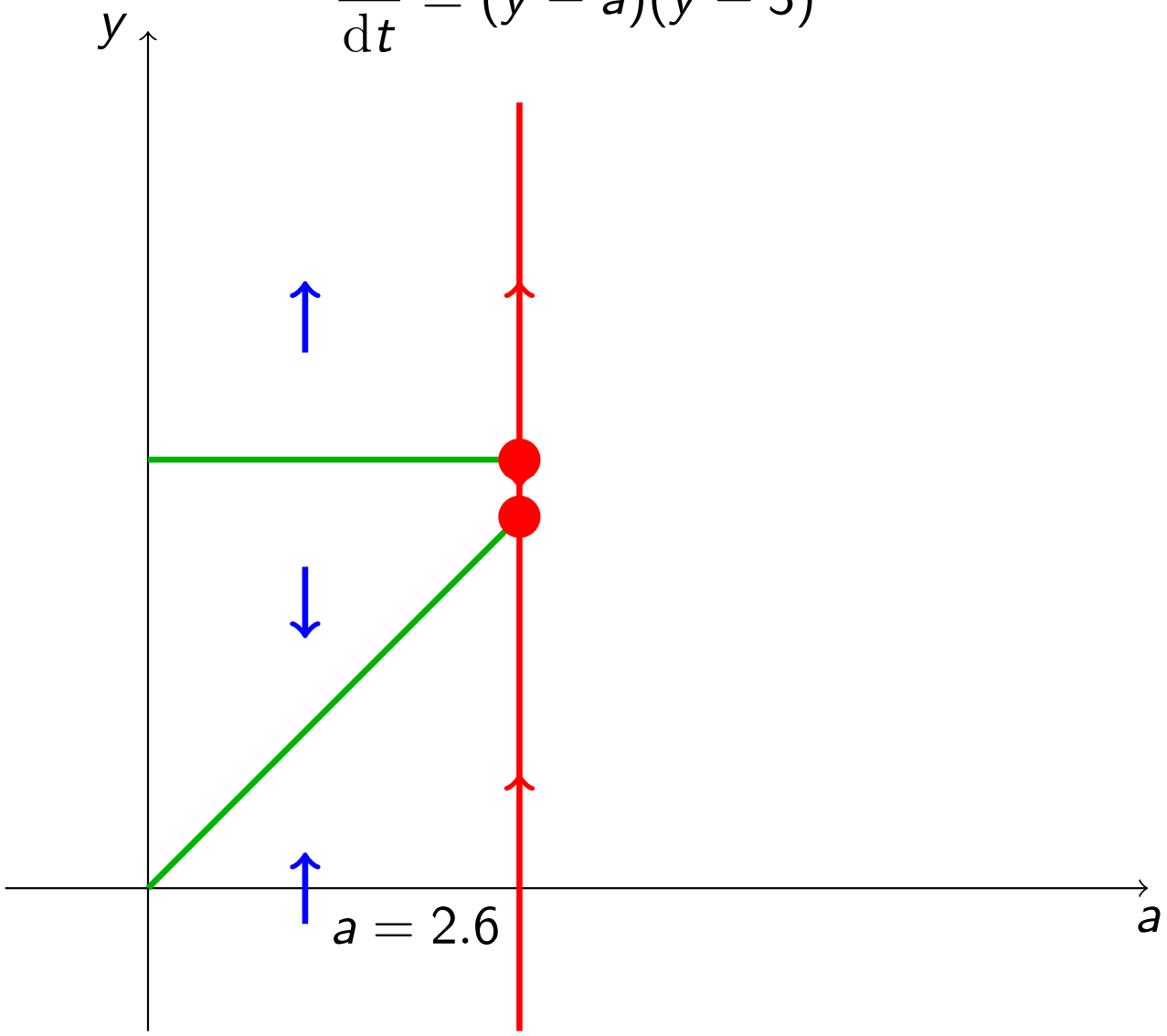

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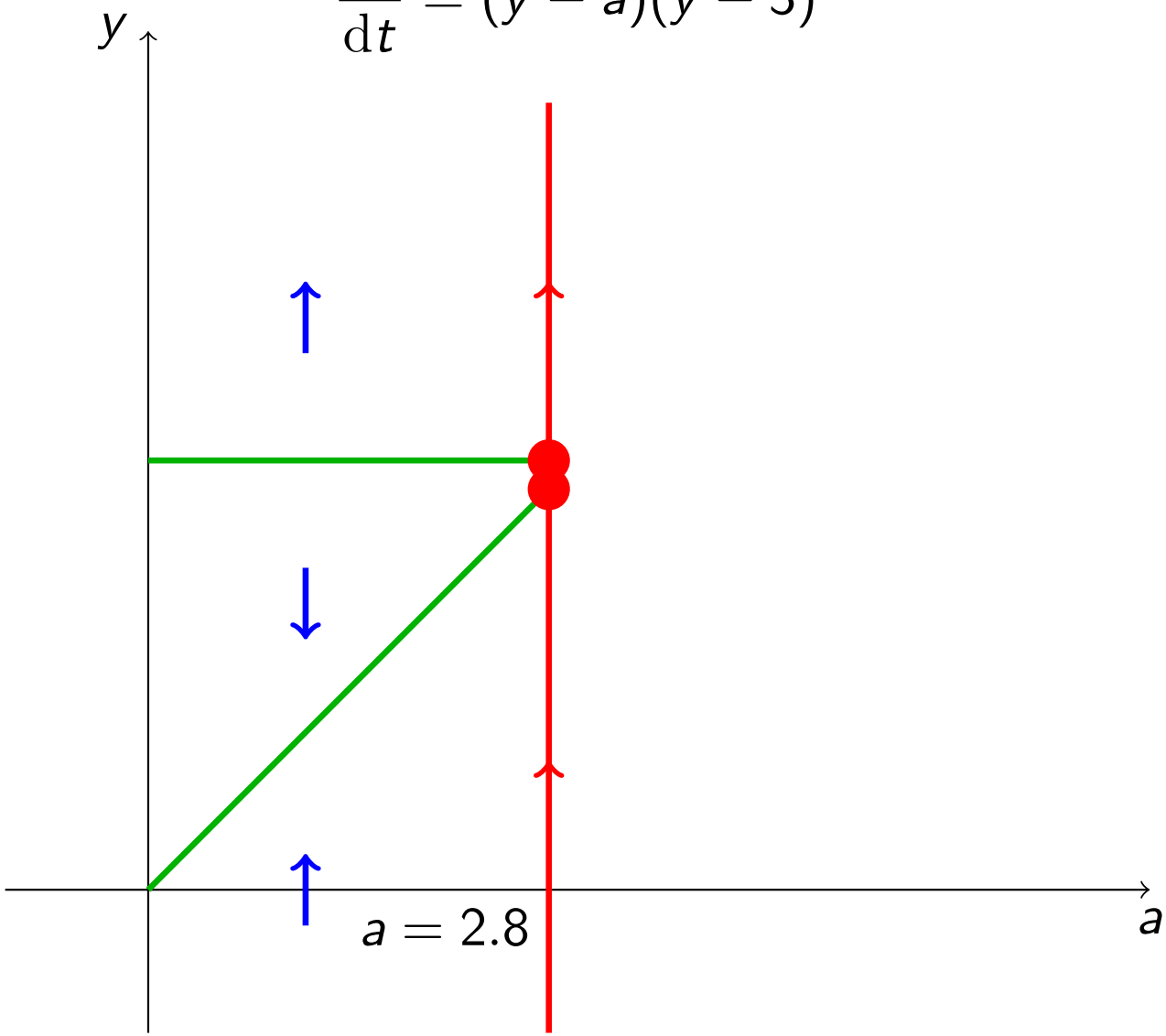

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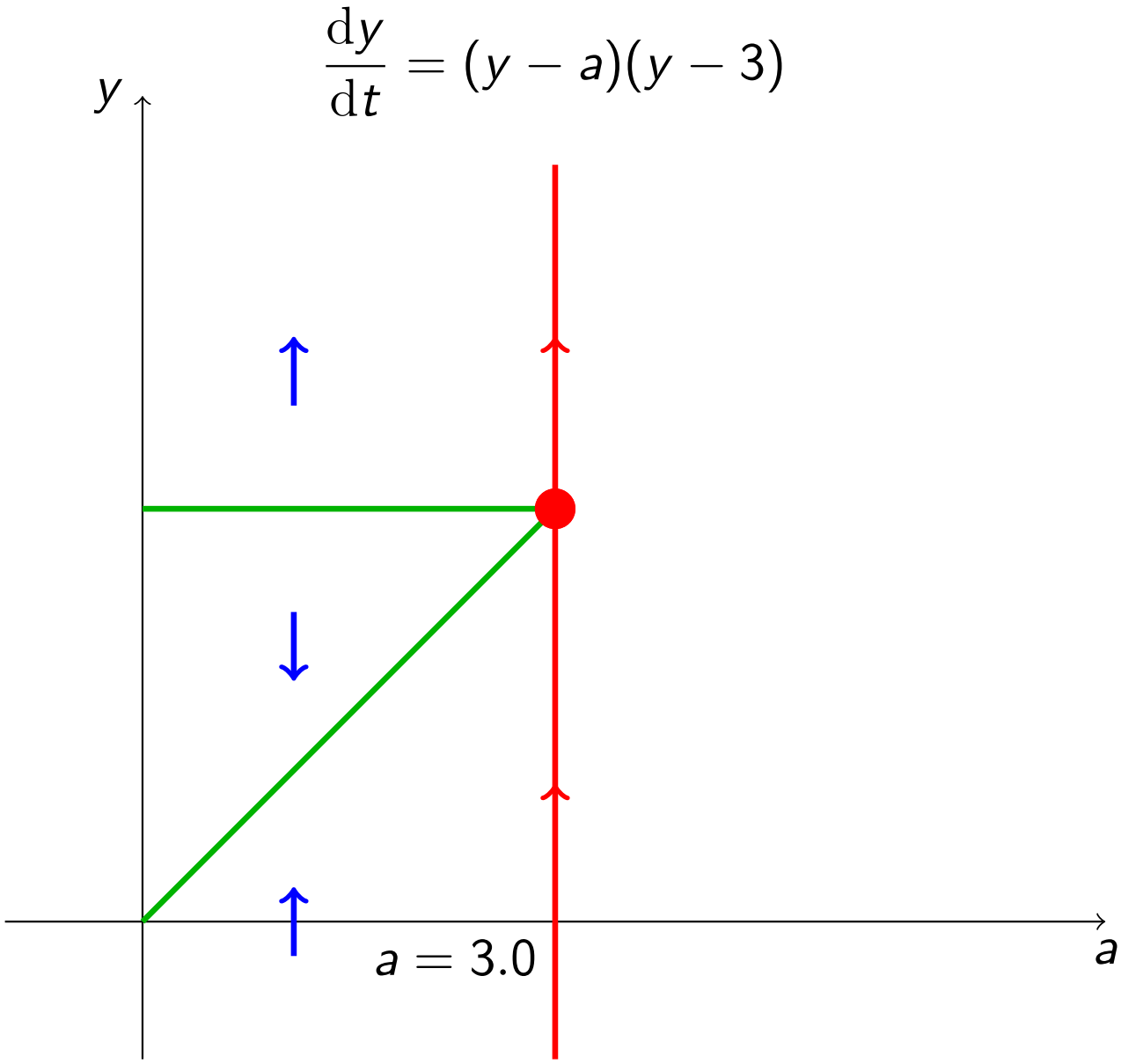

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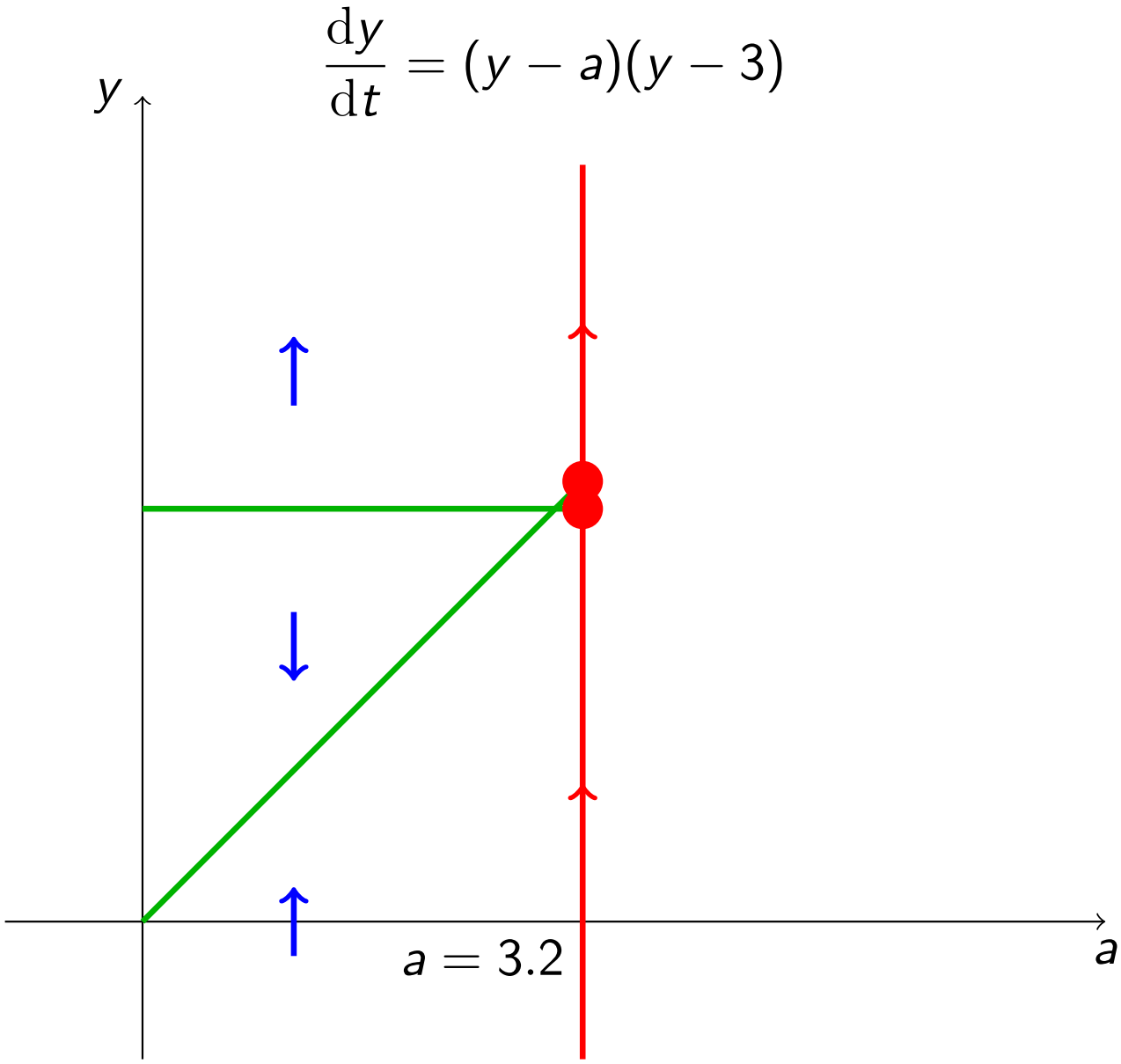

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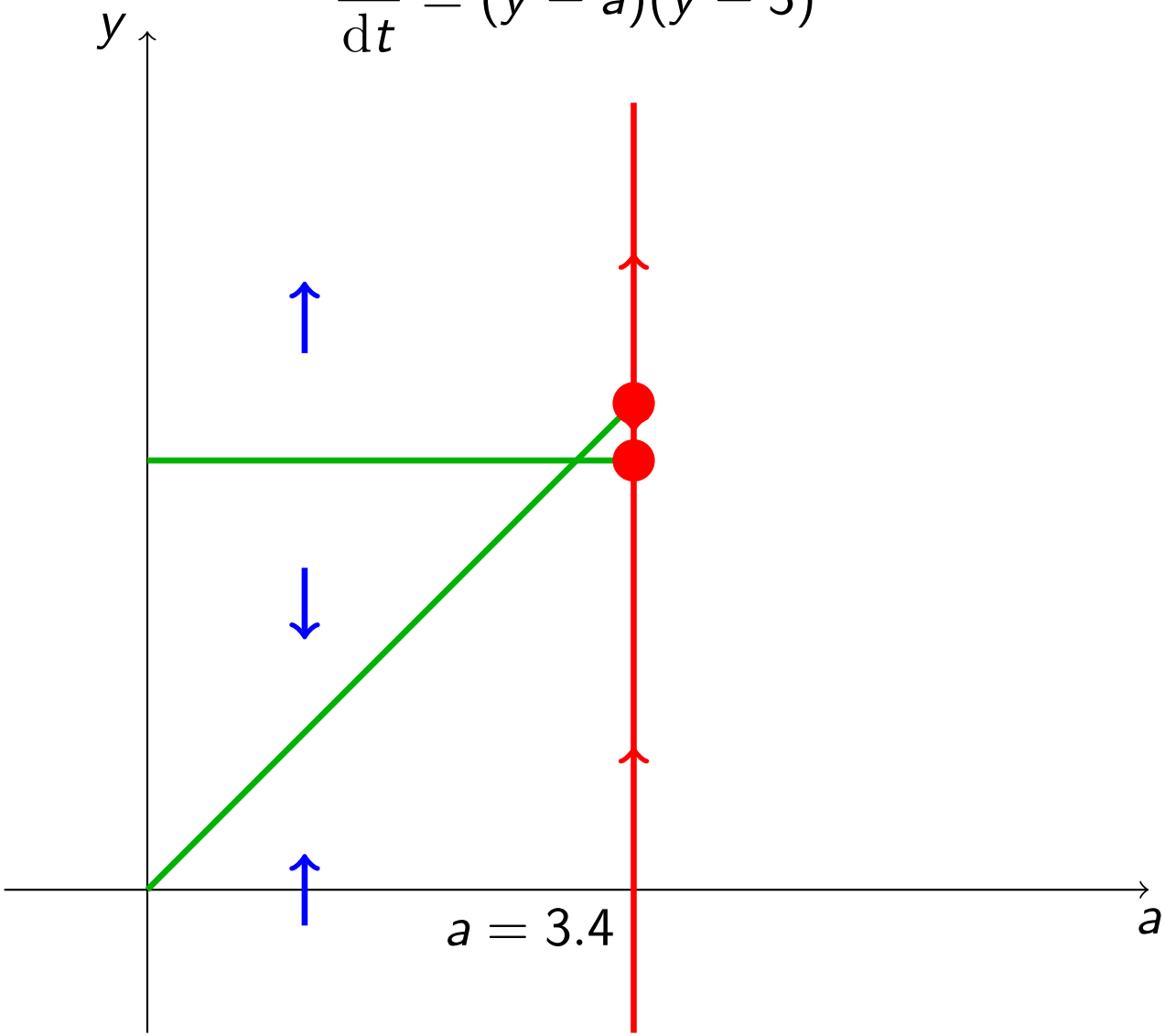

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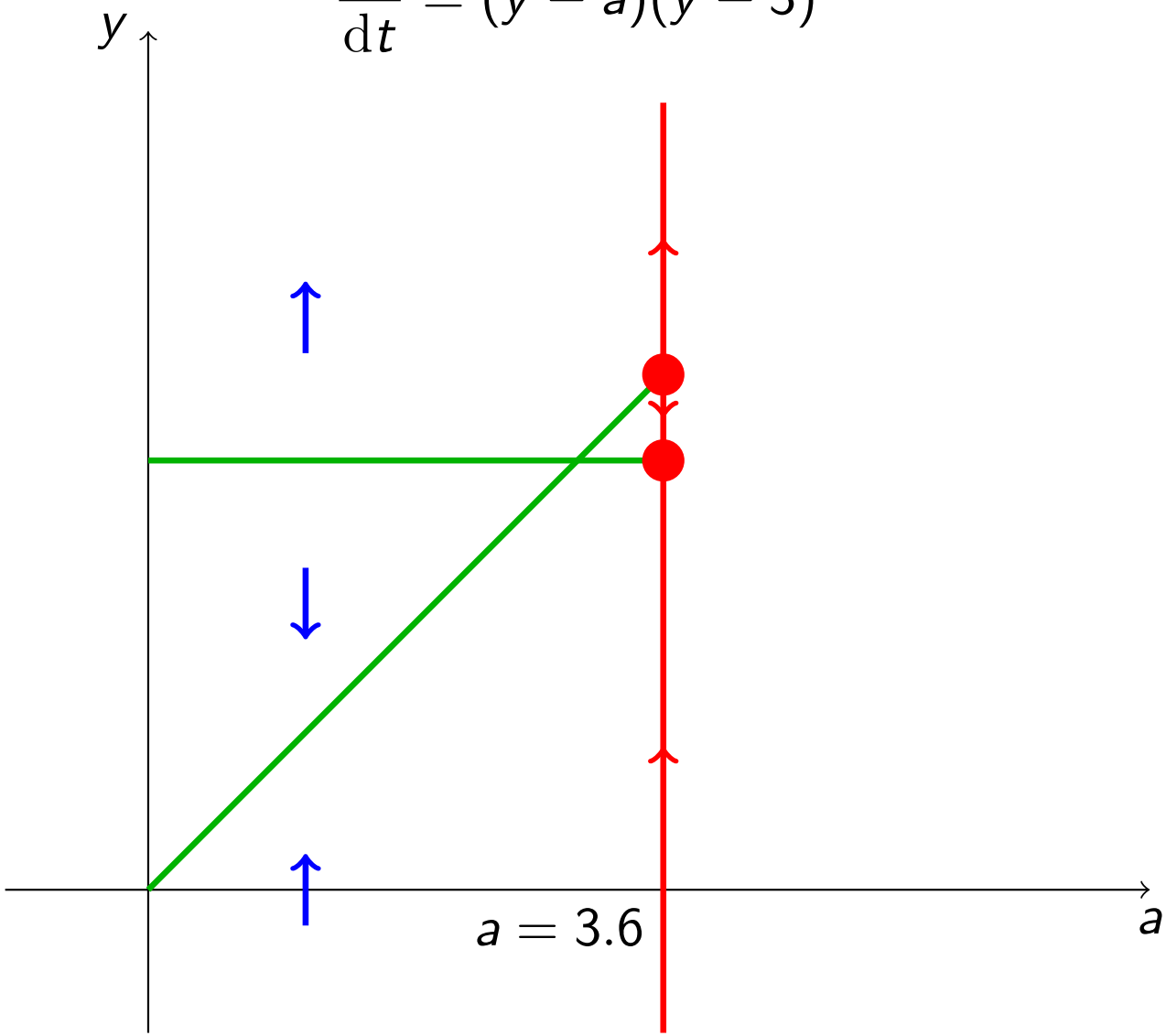

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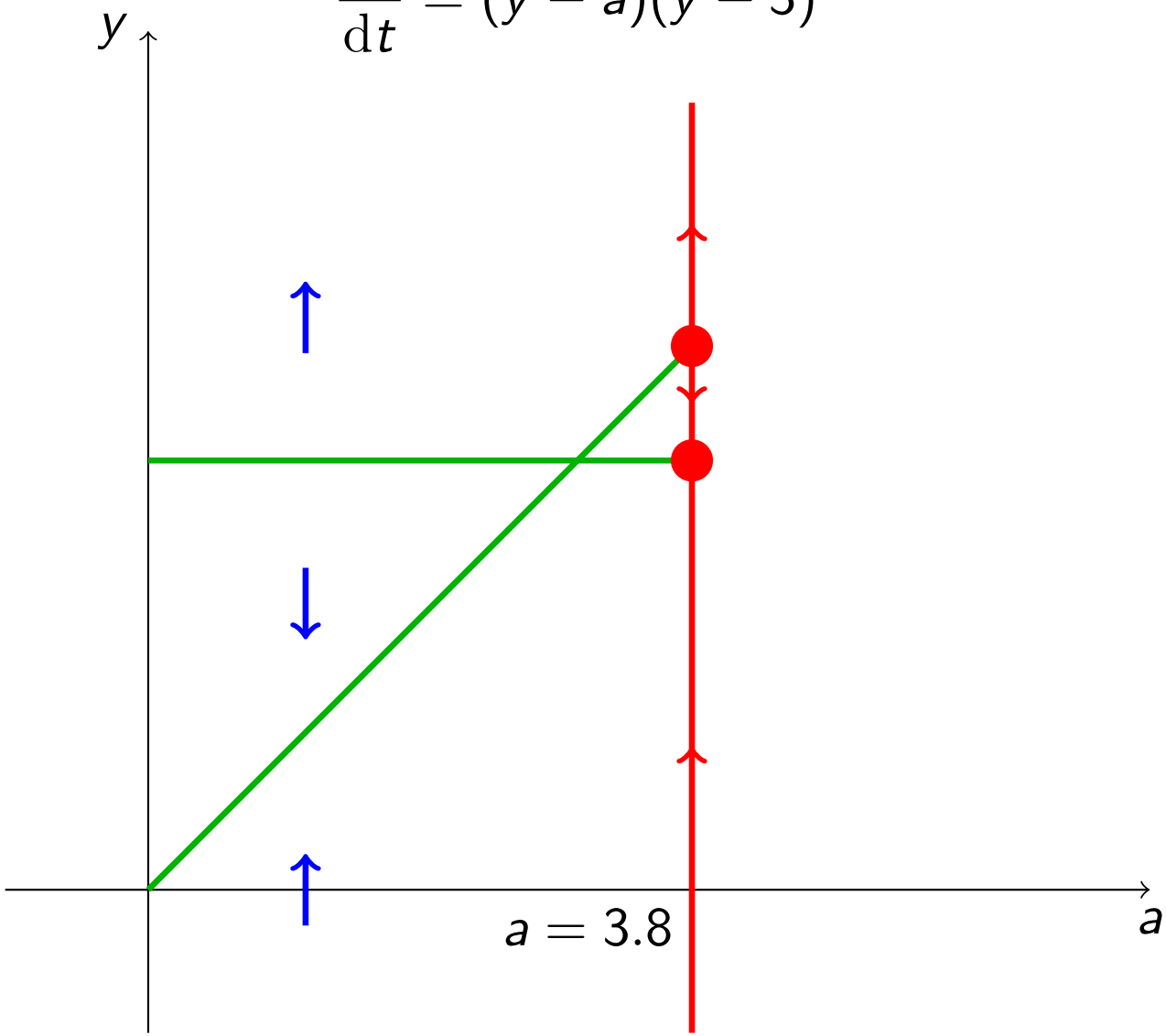

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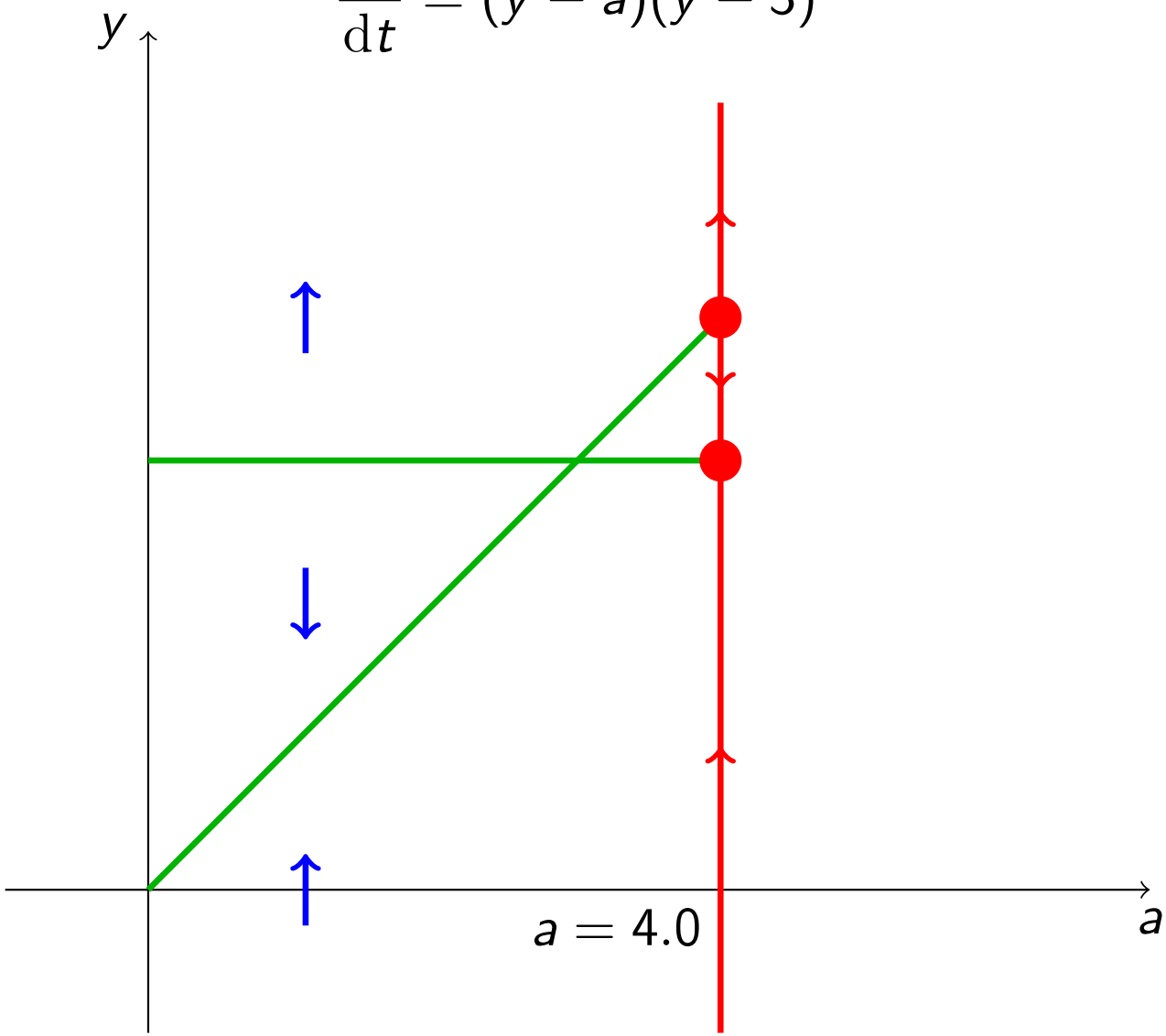

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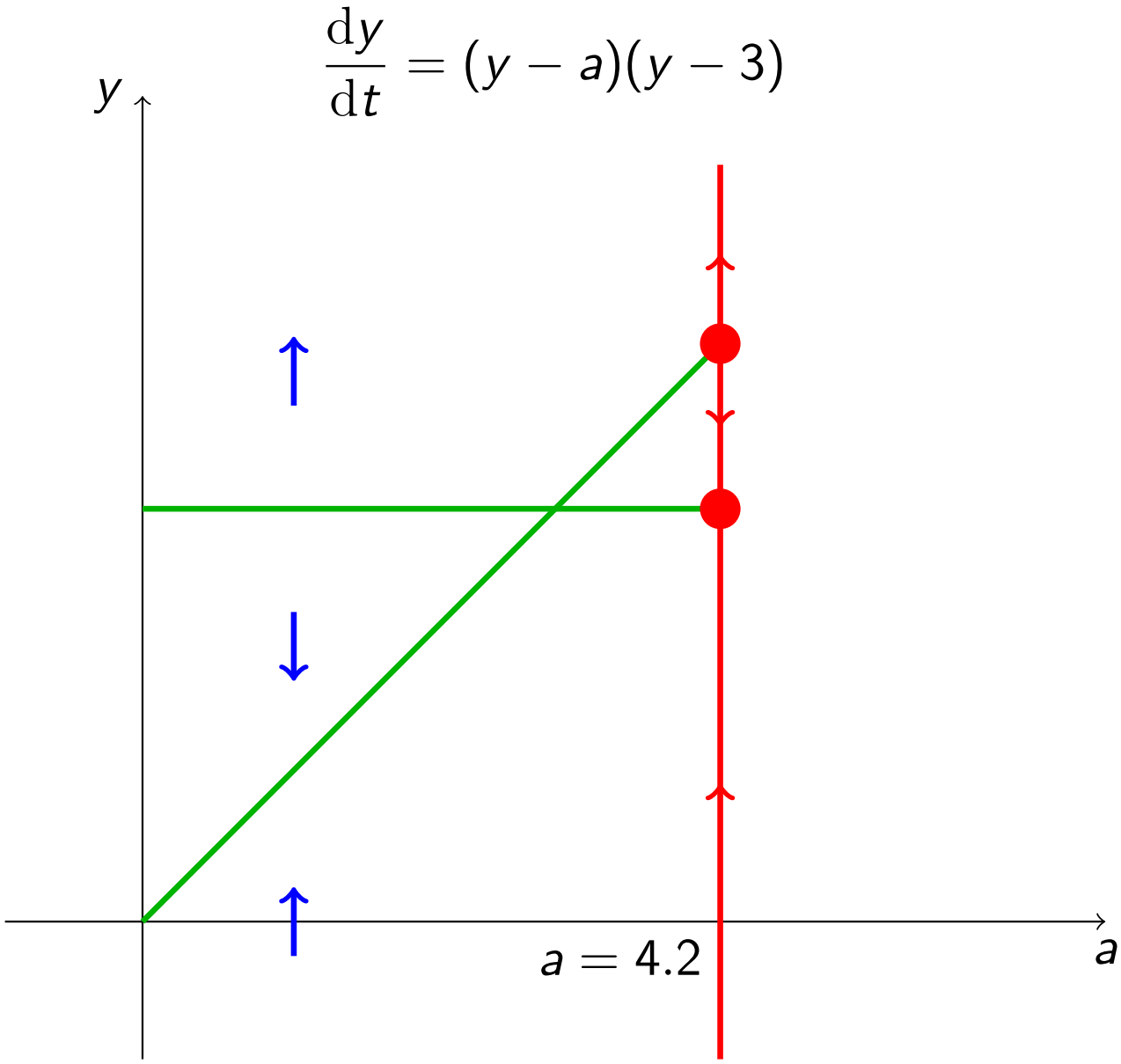

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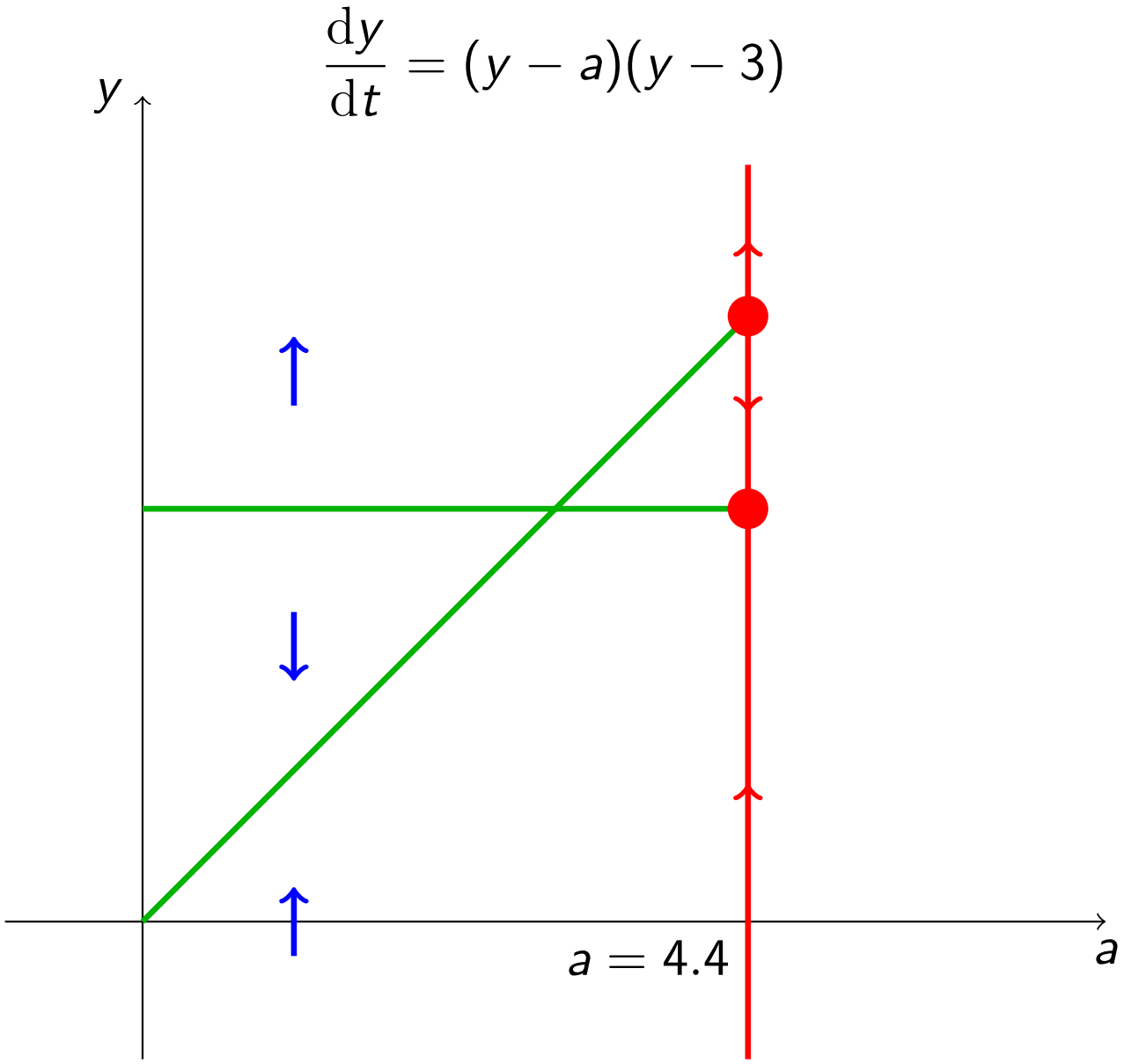

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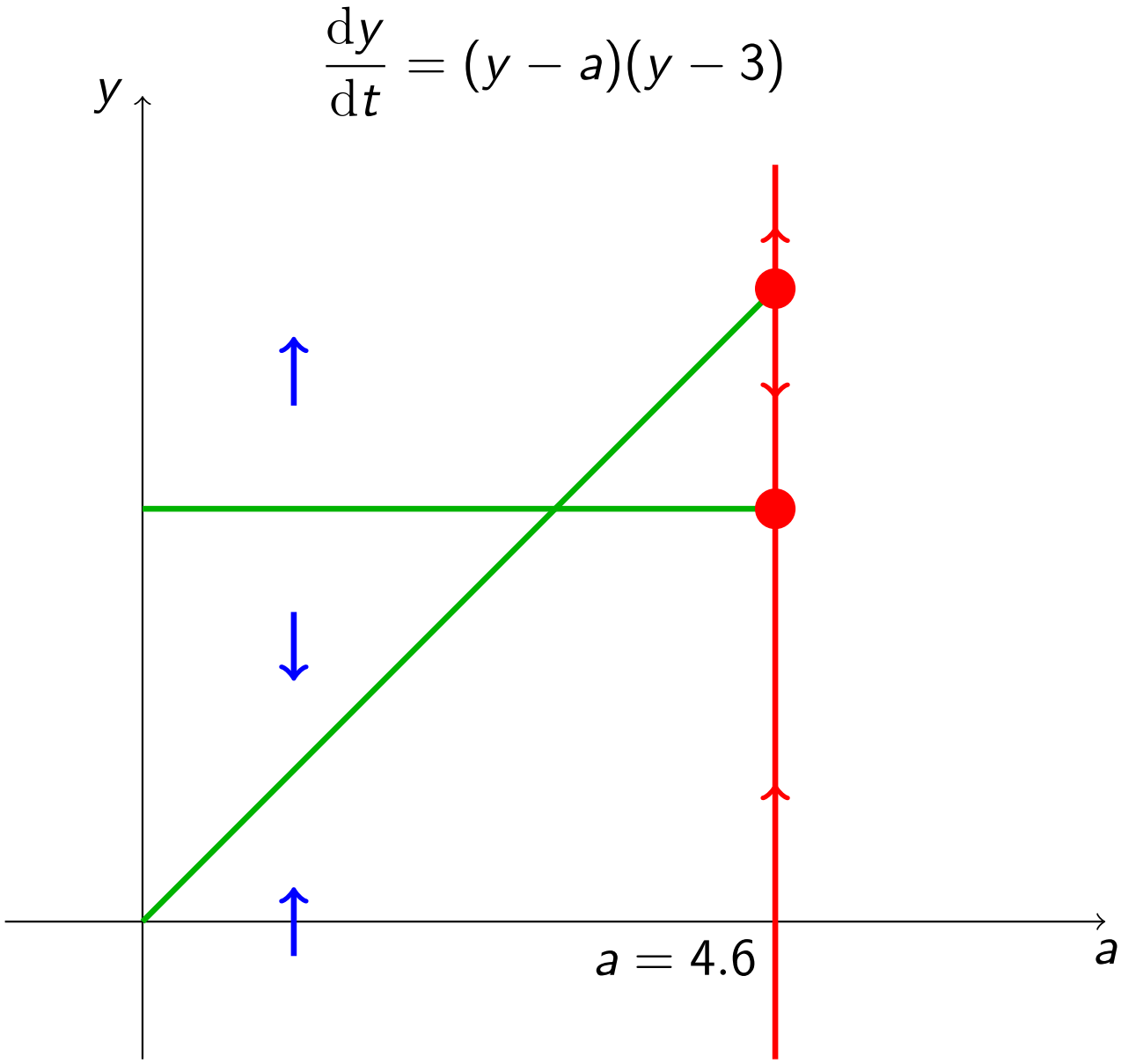

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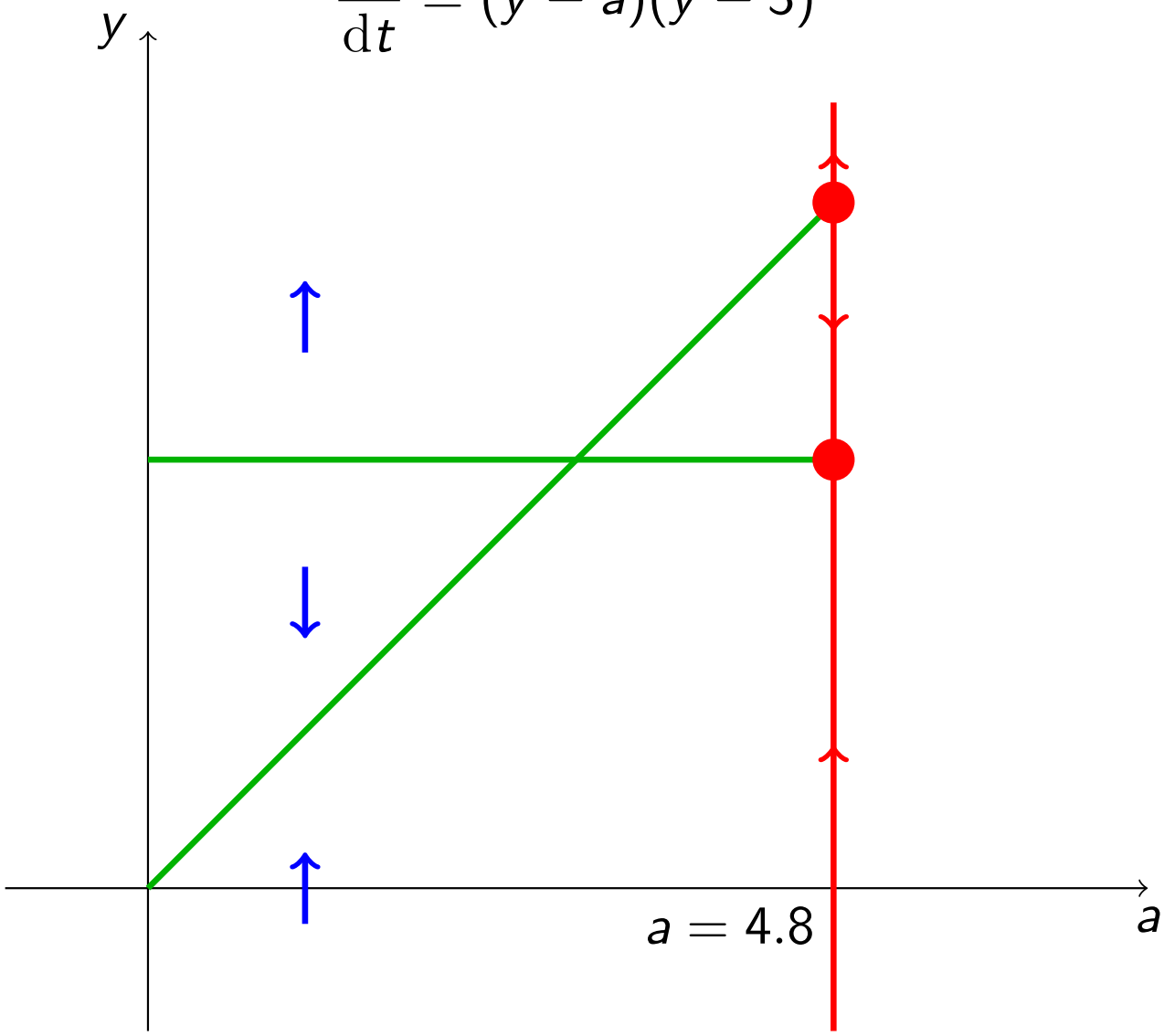

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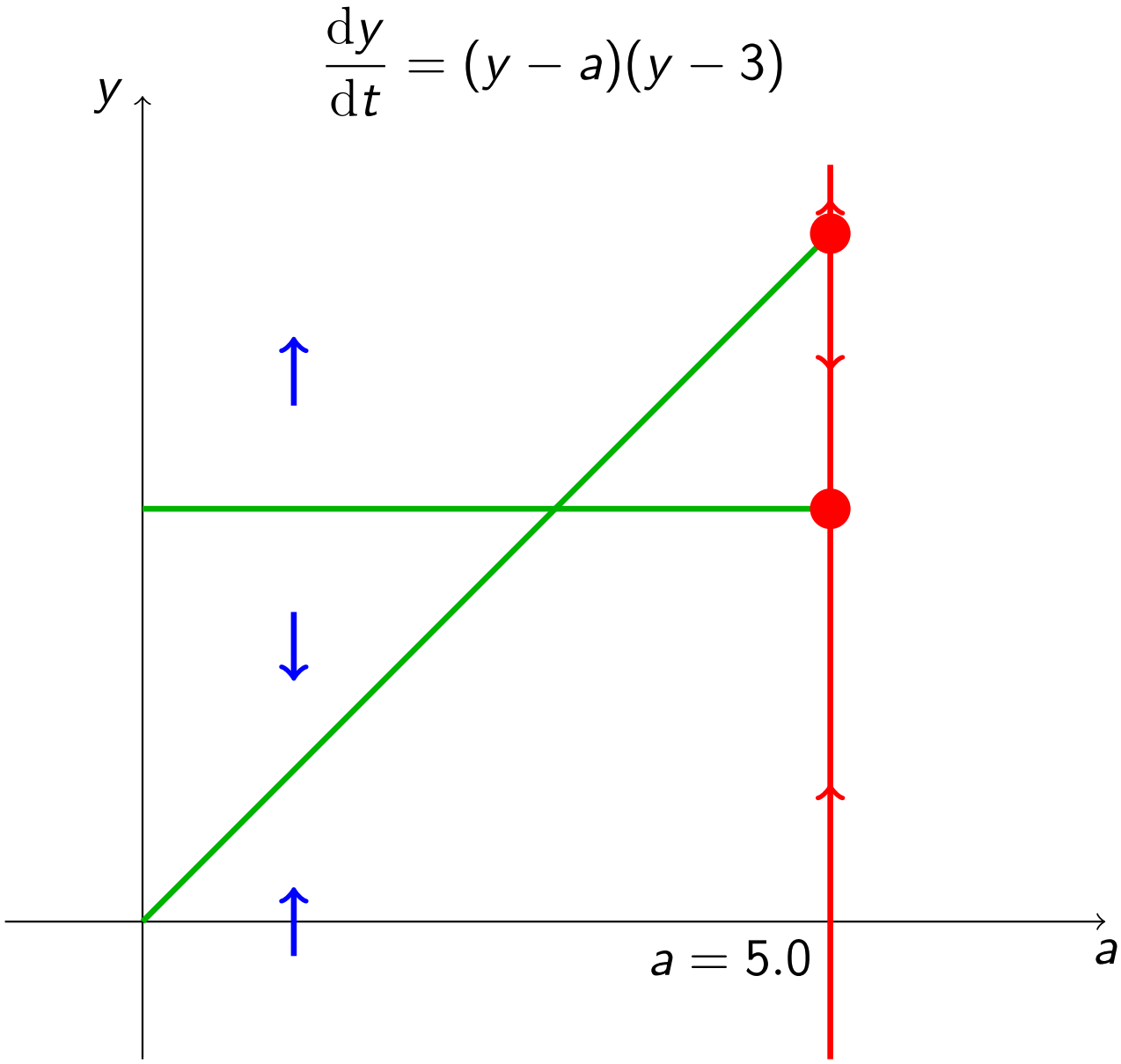

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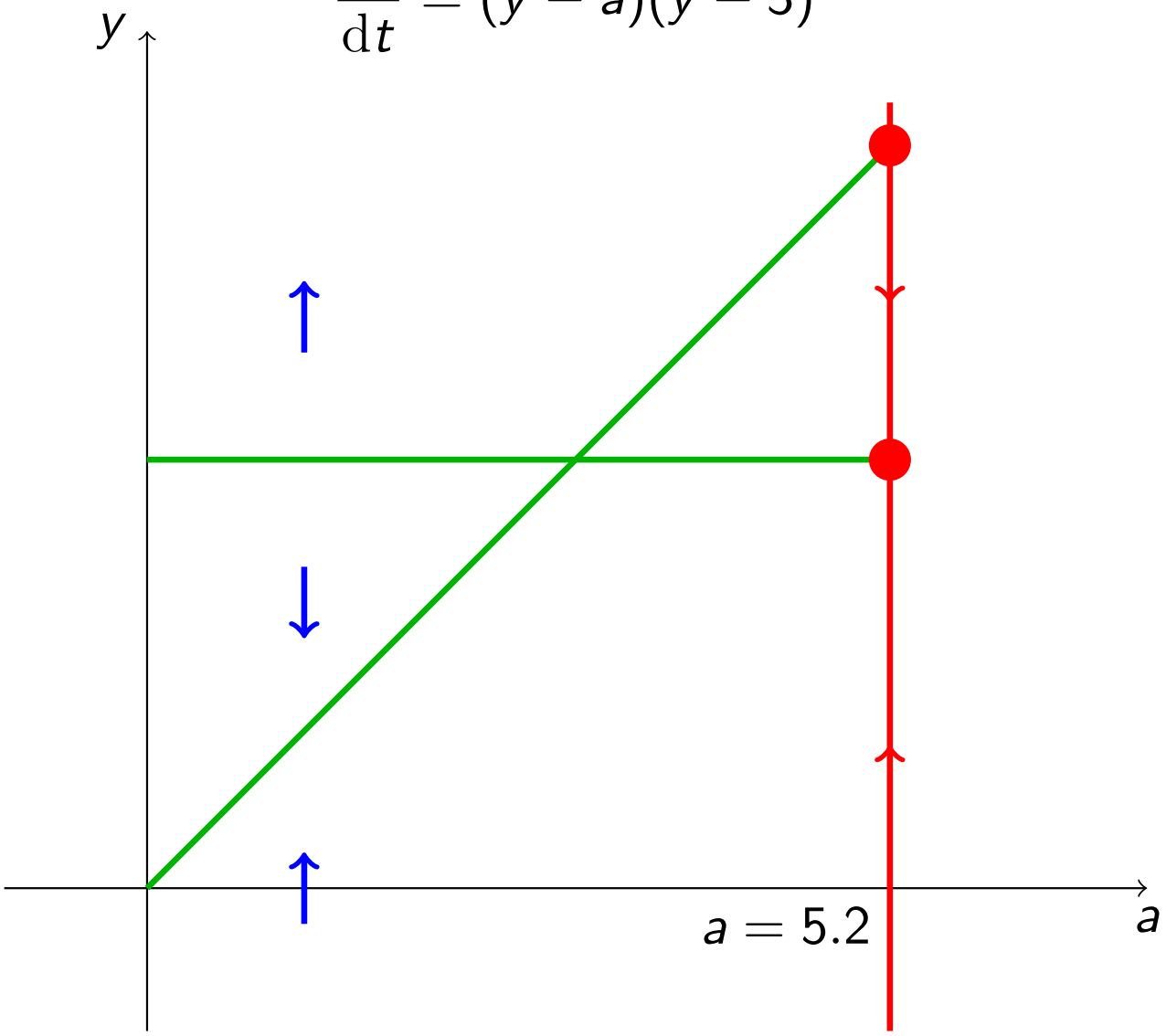

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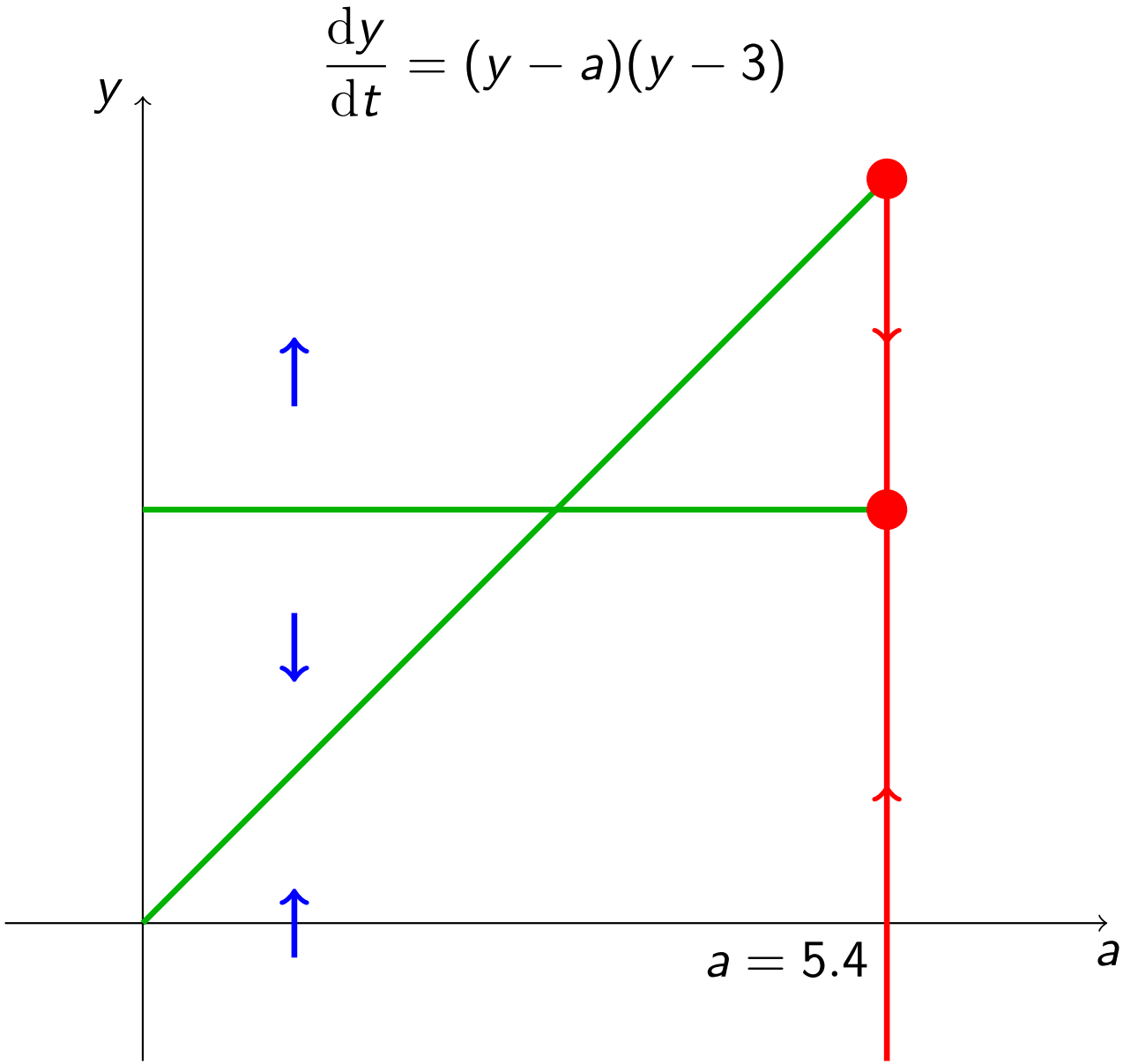

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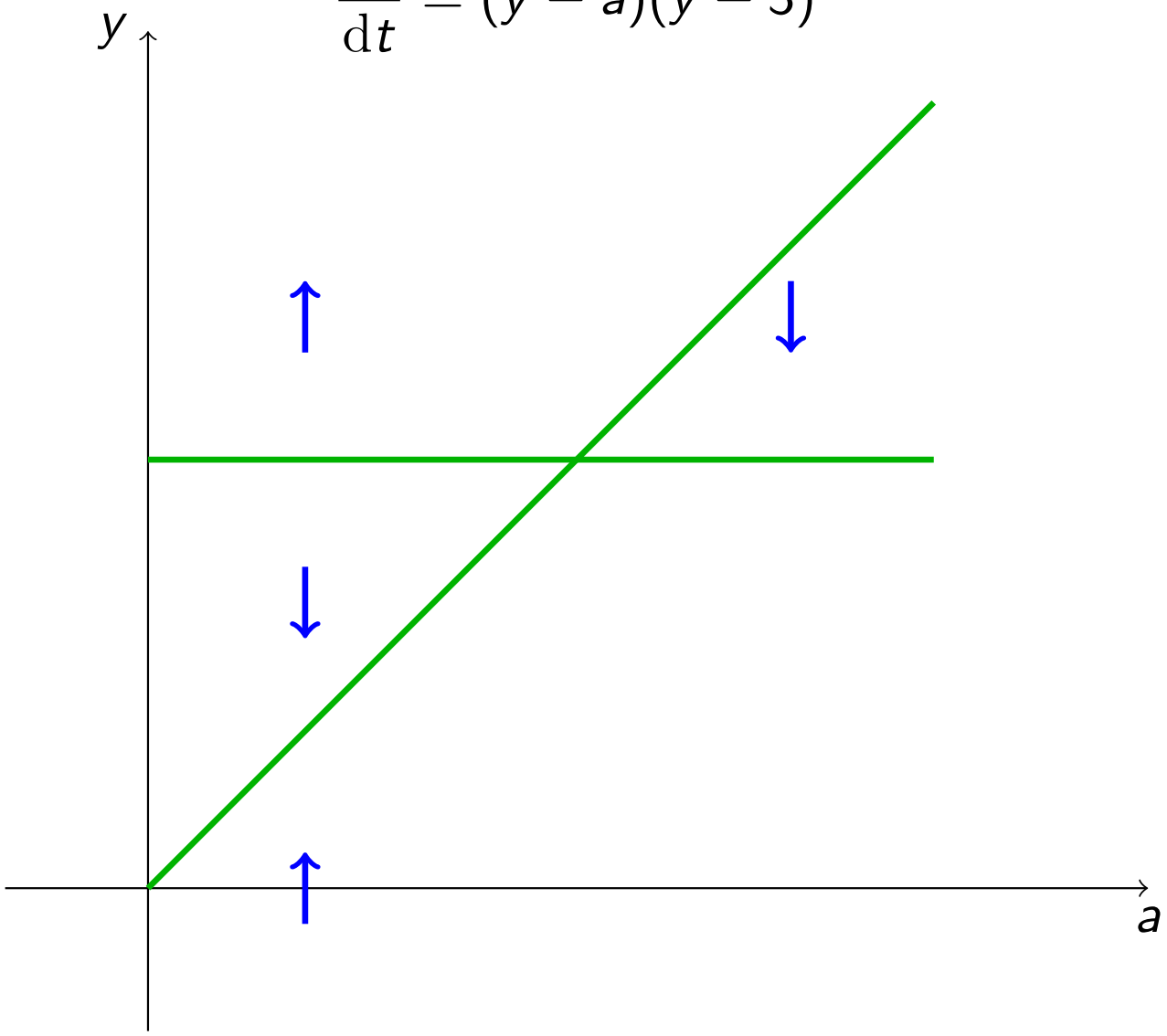

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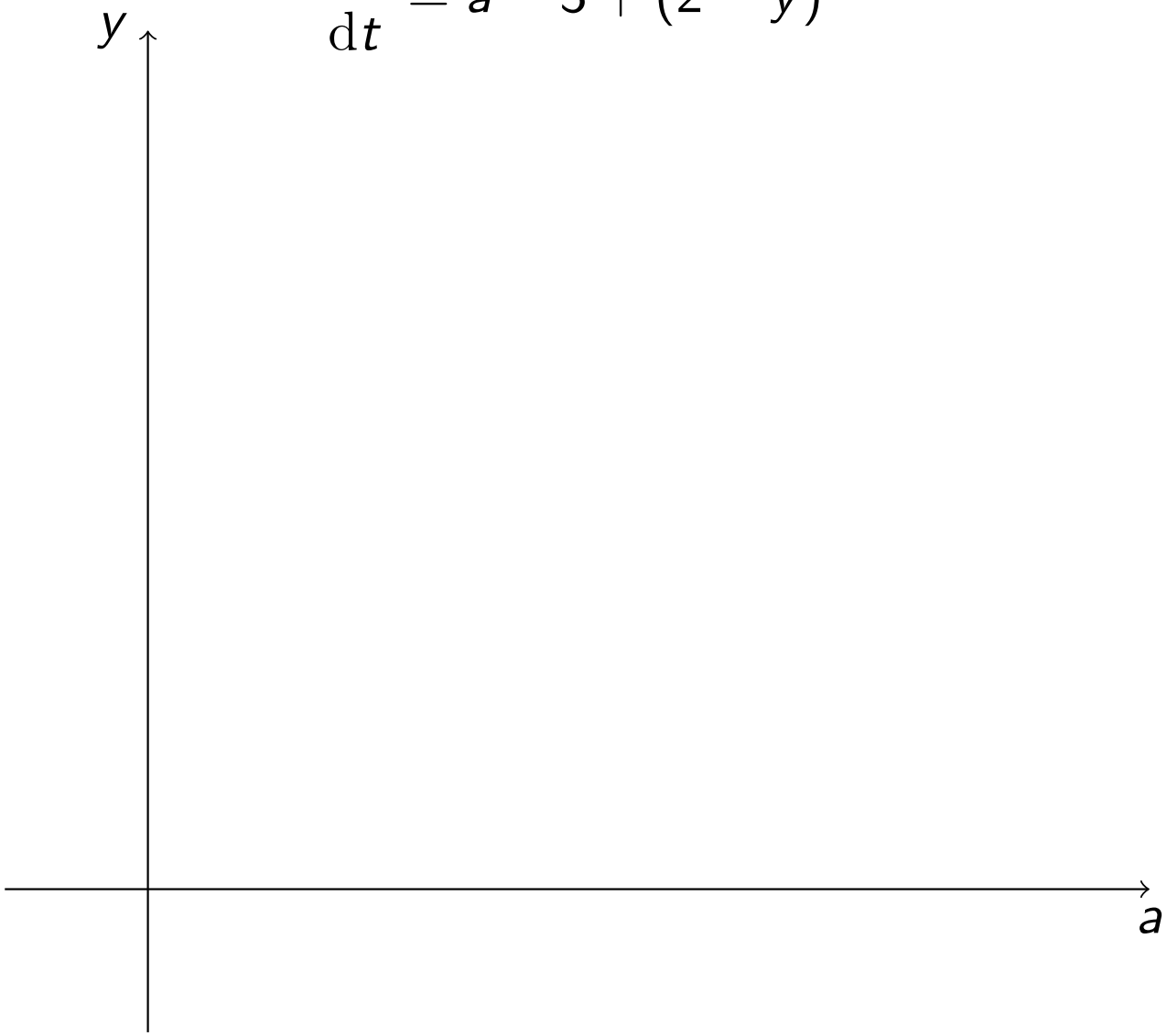

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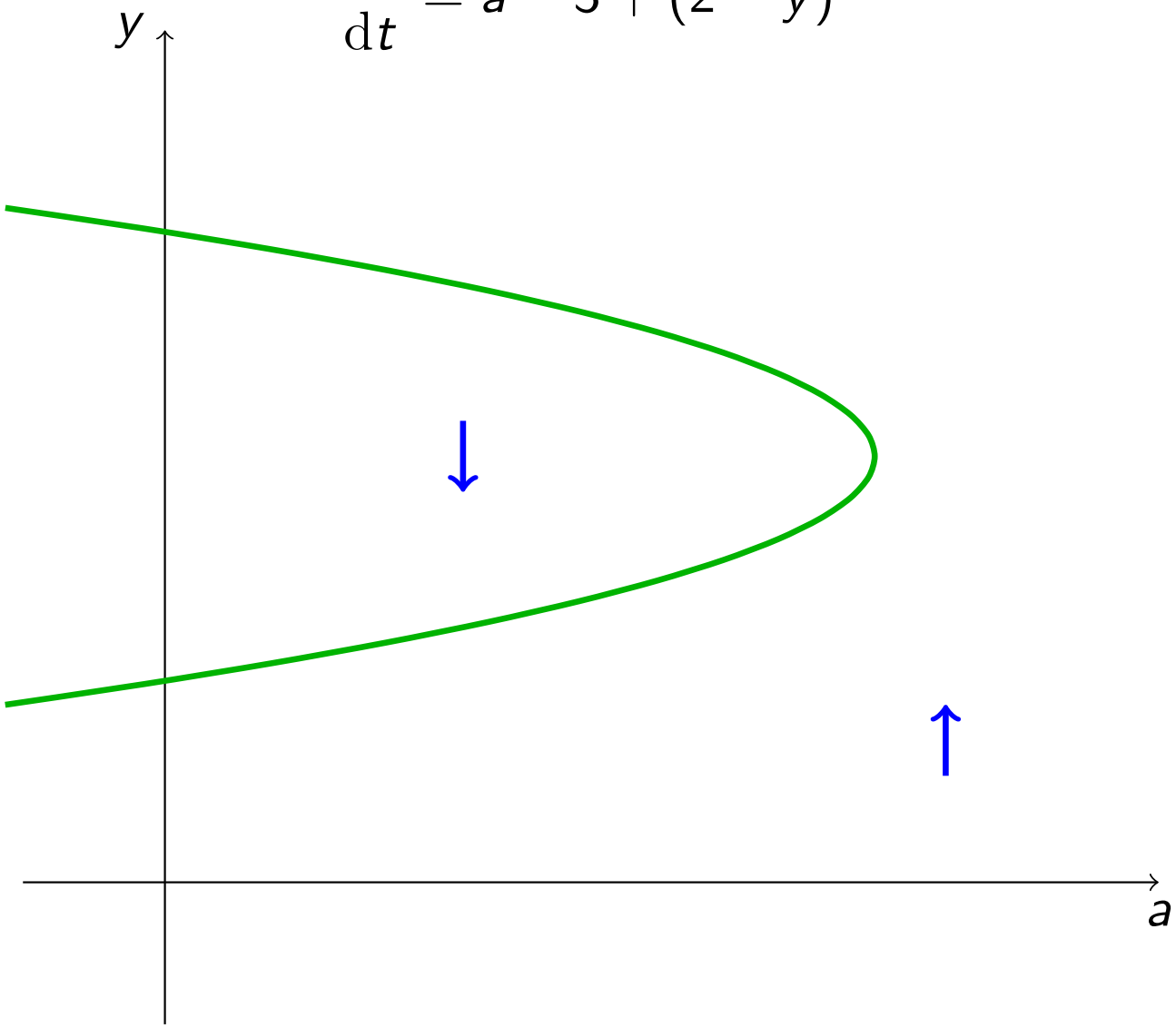

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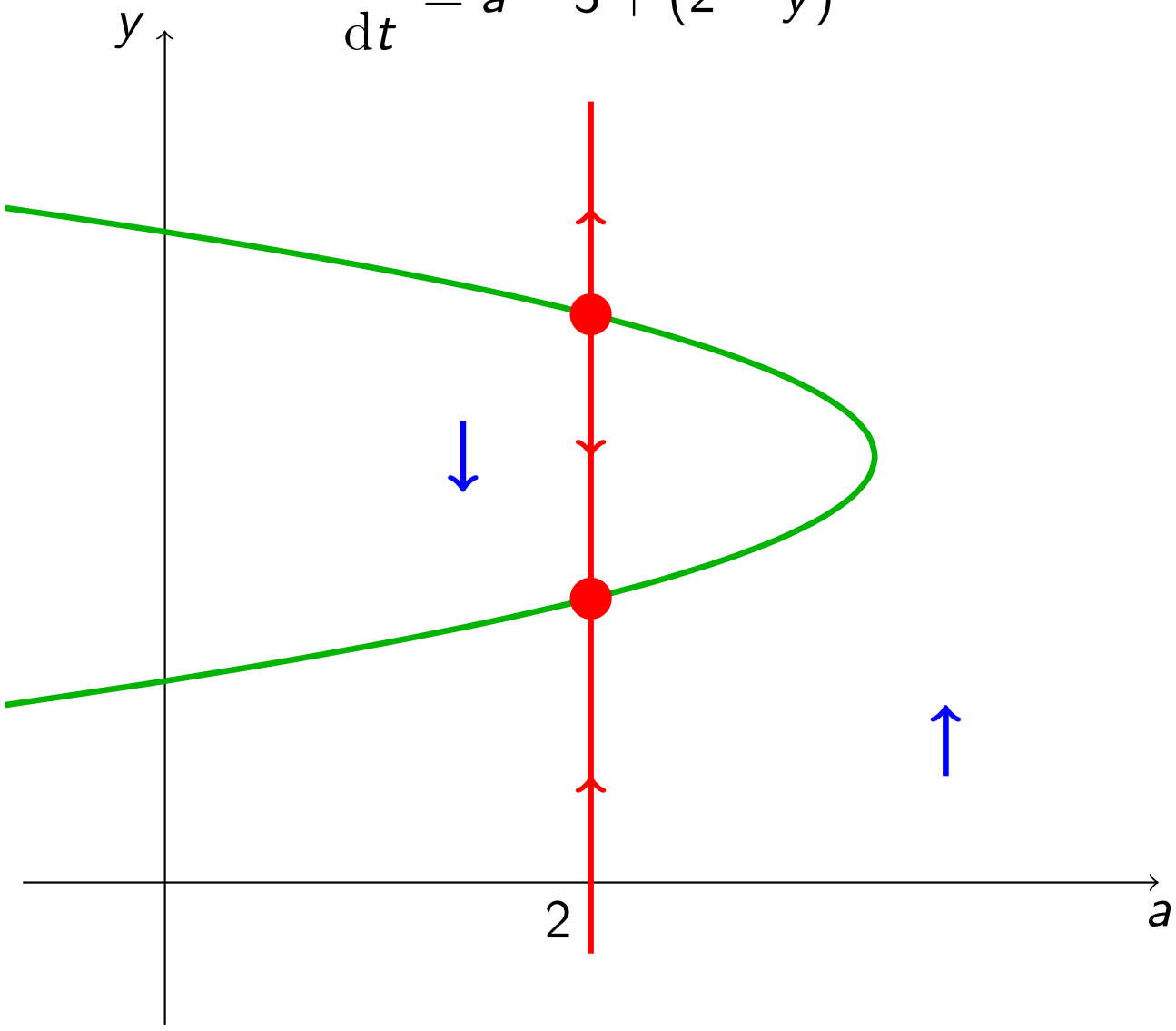

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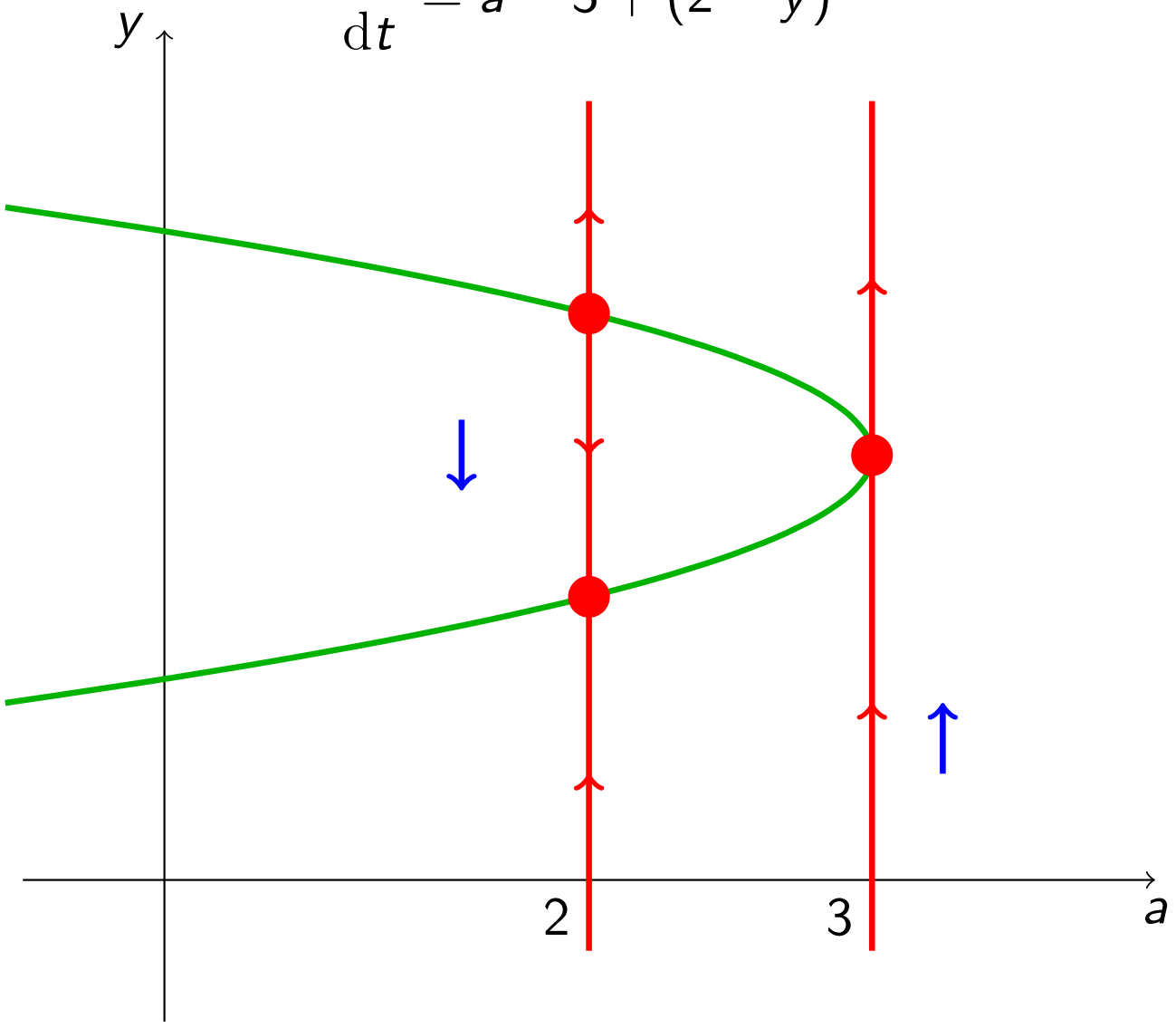

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