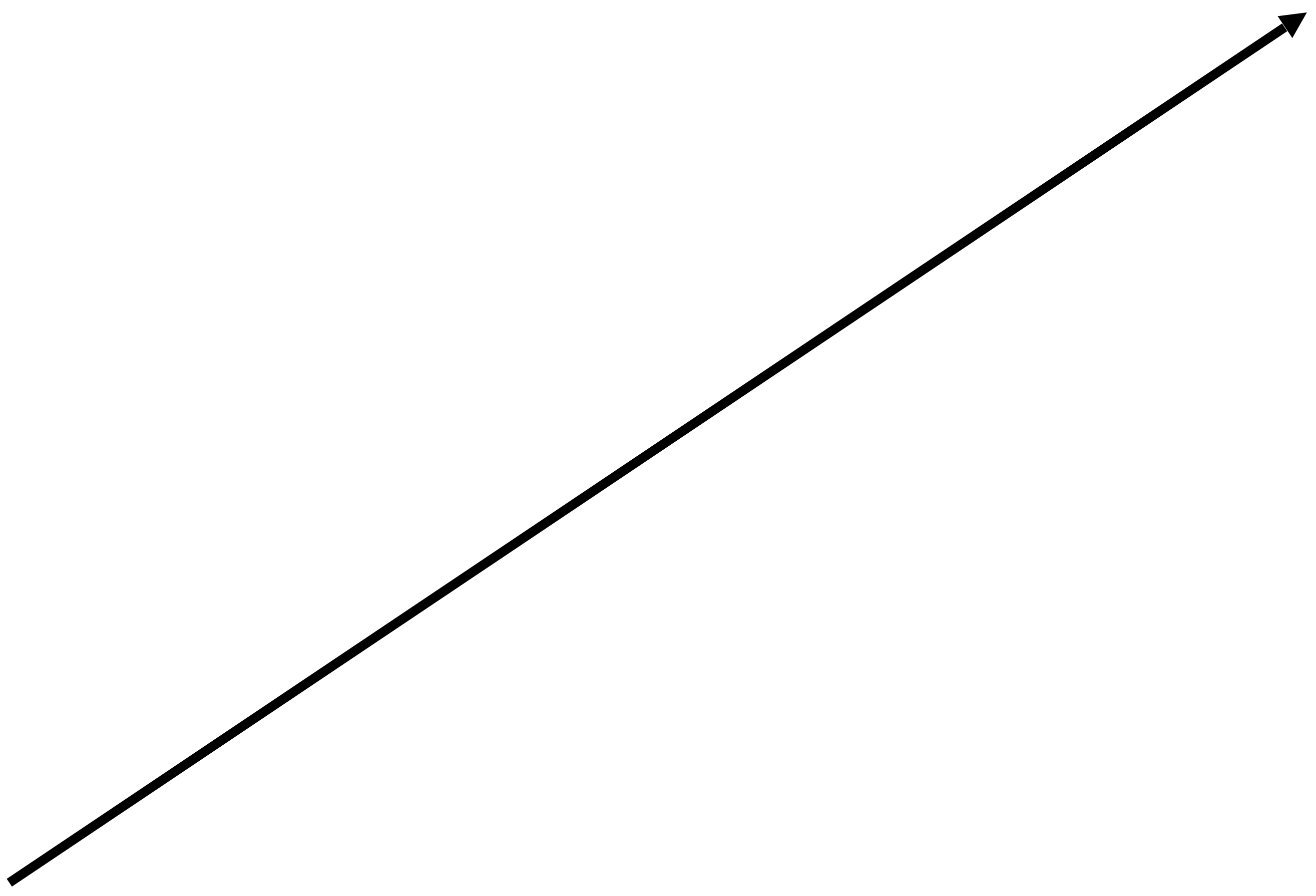




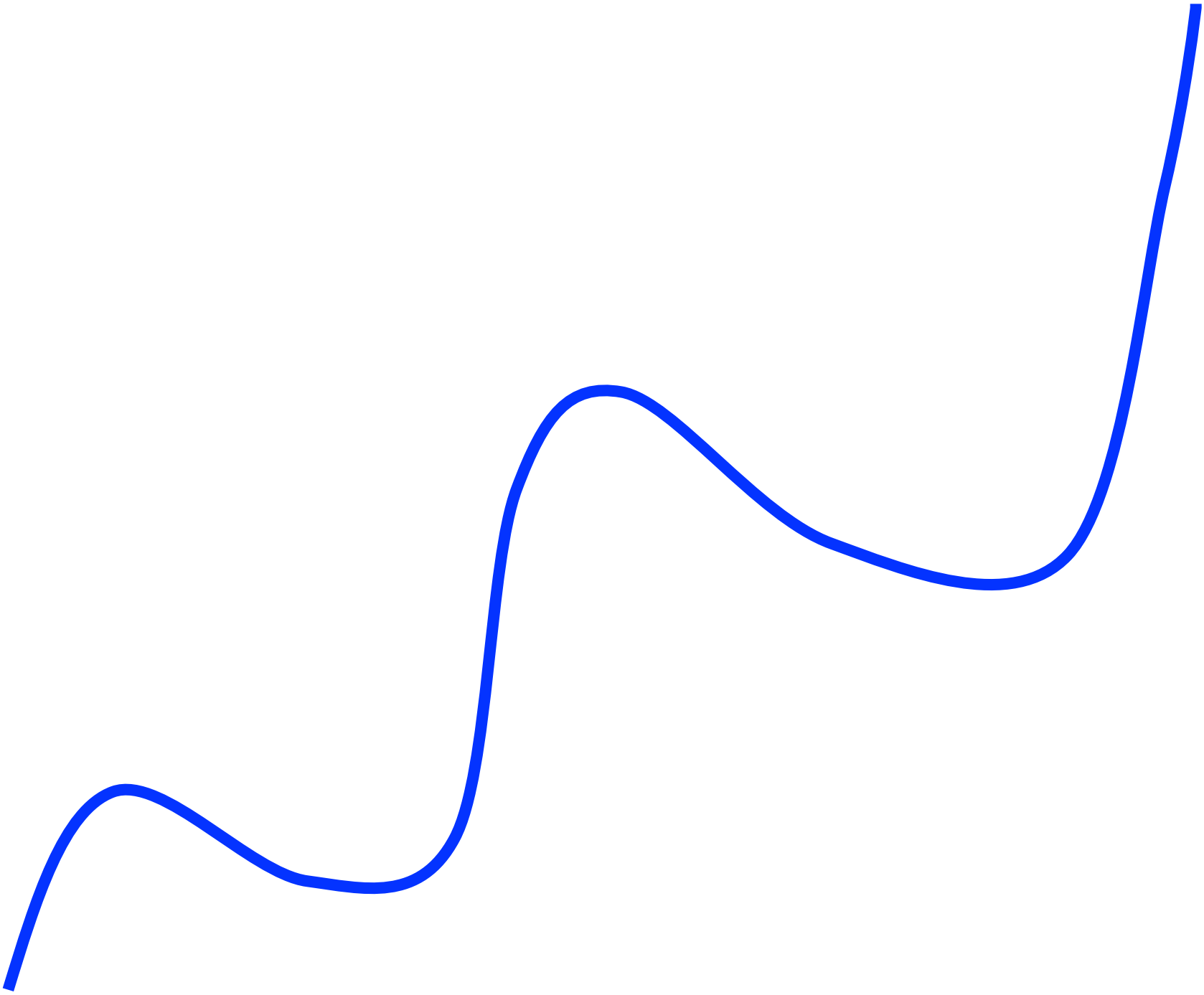
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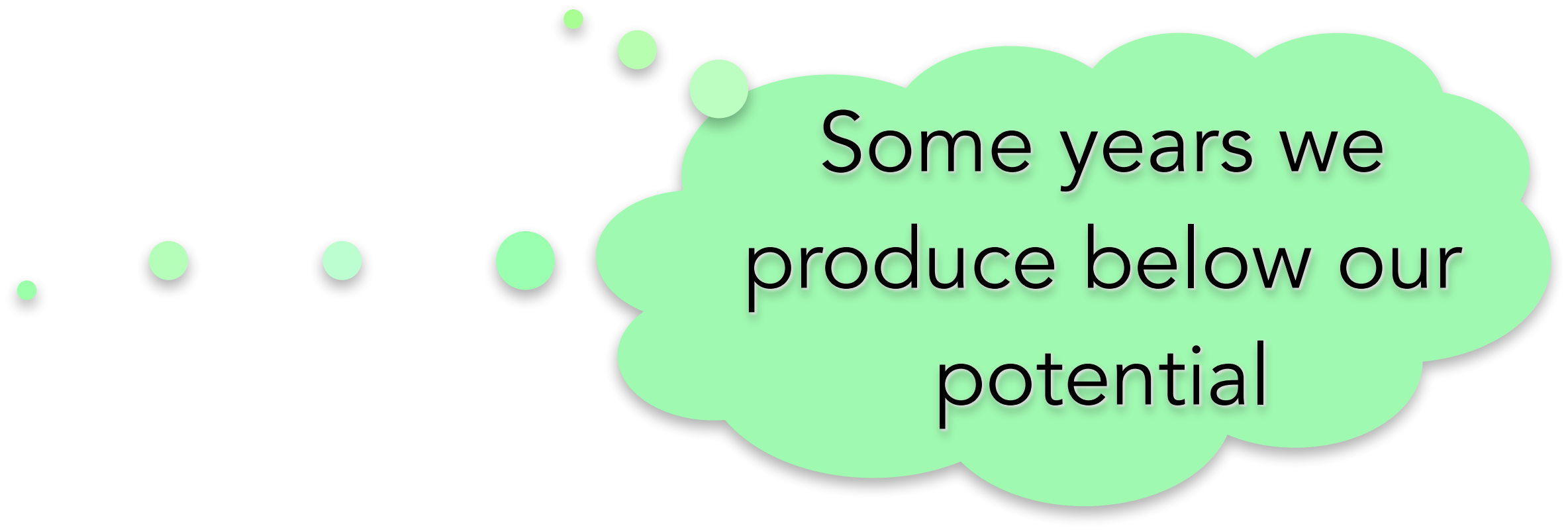




Total Production







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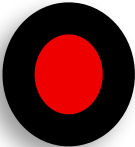






















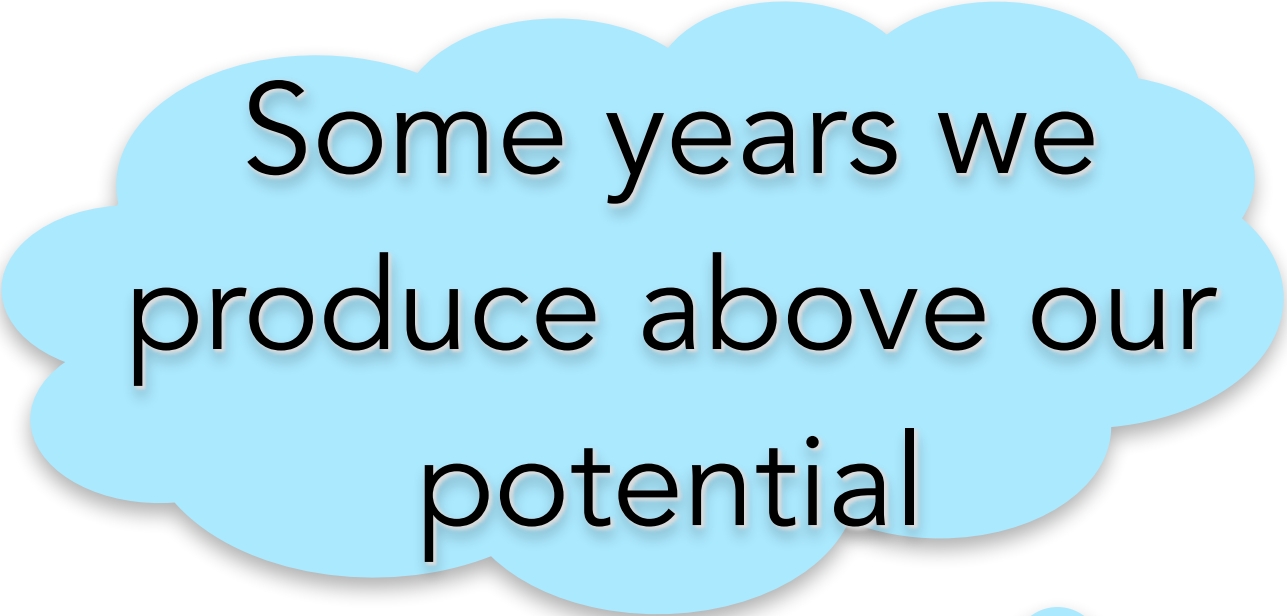
Potential GDP

Each year, population grows: there are more workers

Each year, we build more factories and add more equipment: larger stock of capital

Each year, with more
workers and larger stock of
capital we can (potentially)
produce more

This line represents how much **could**
be produced if Unemployment was
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Some years we
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This line represents how much
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Potential GDP

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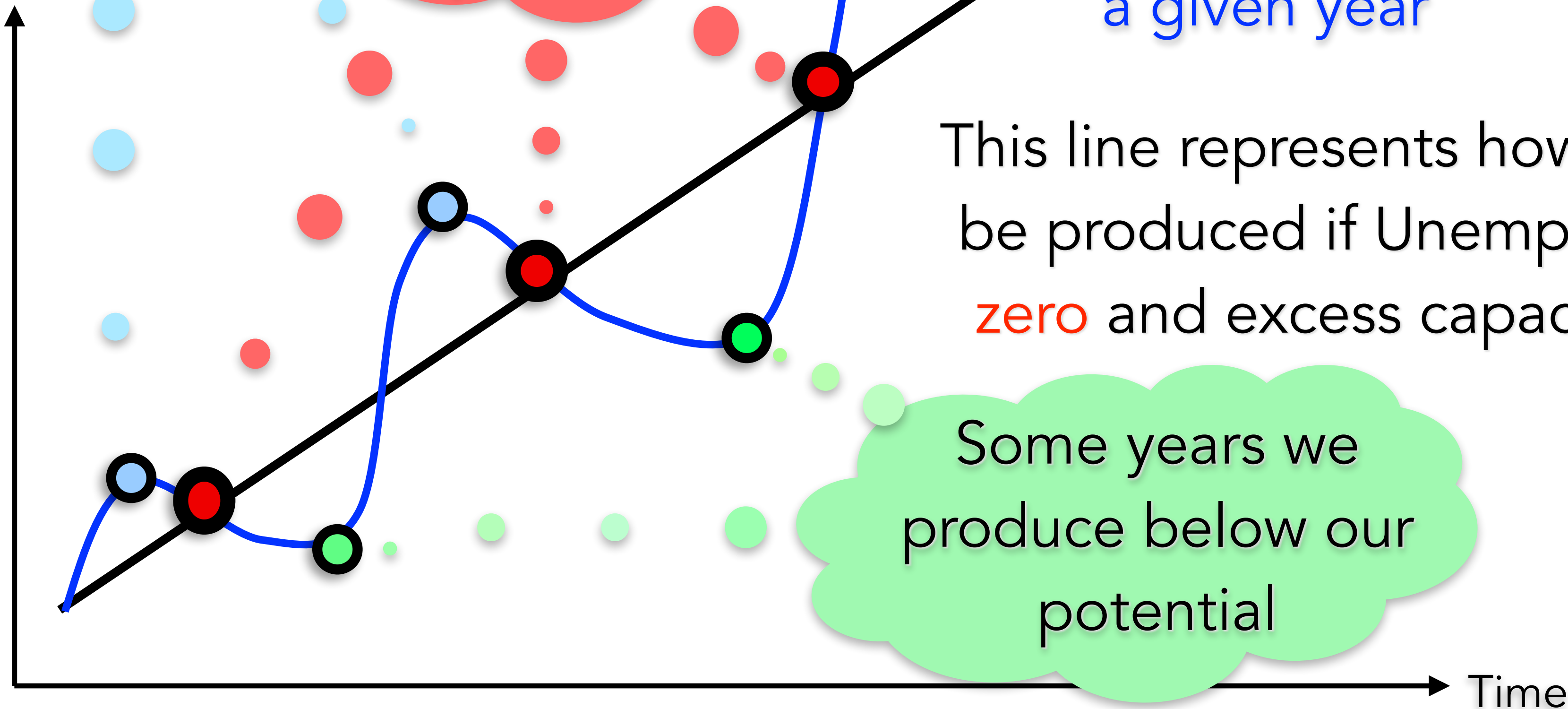
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$$\text{Potential GDP} = \text{Hours worked} \times \text{Labor Productivity} \\ \times \text{Labor Force}$$