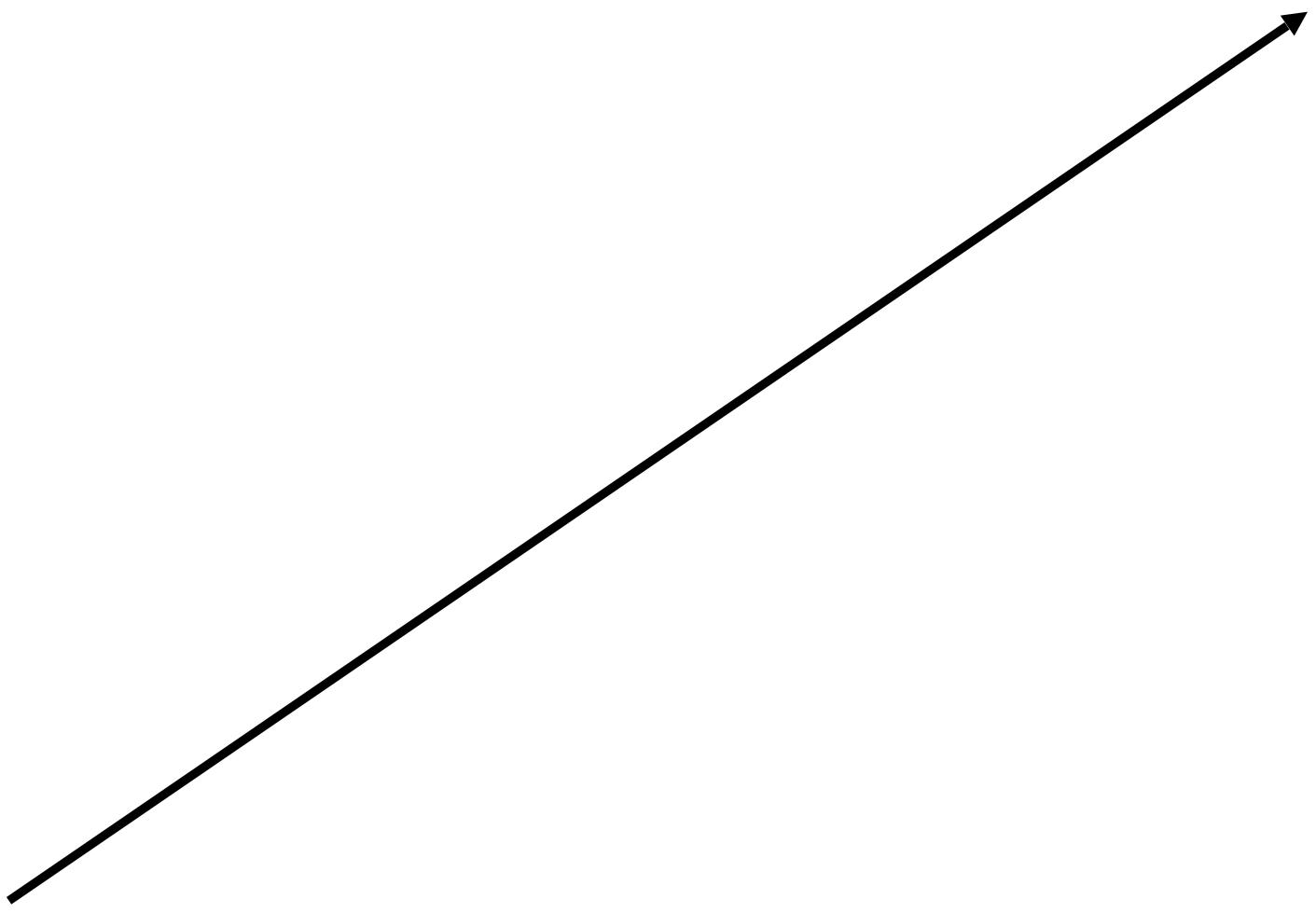


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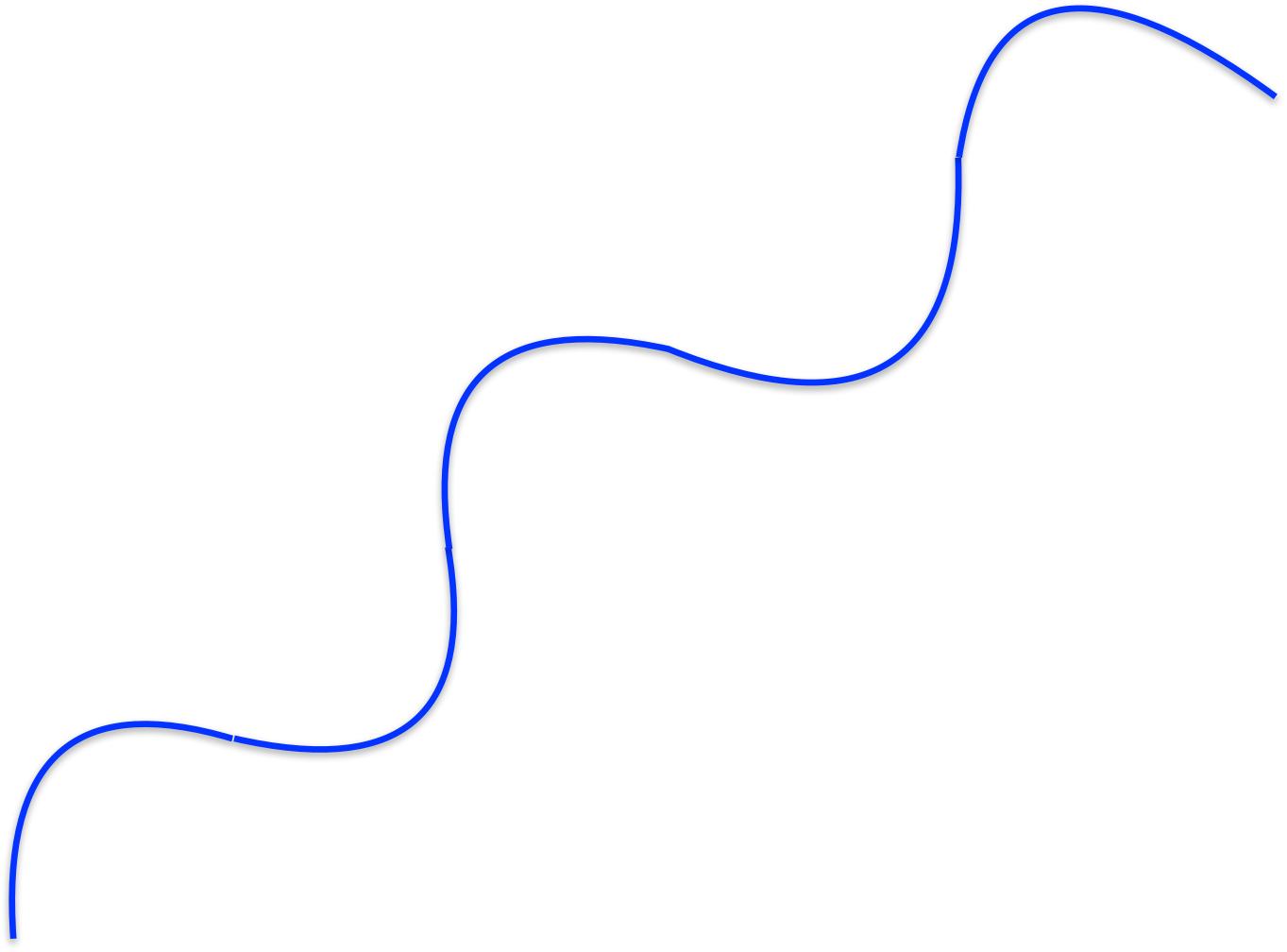
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Each year, with more workers and larger stock of capital we can (potentially) produce more

This line represents how much could be produced if Unemployment was zero and excess capacity was zero

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This line represents how much was actually produced during a given year









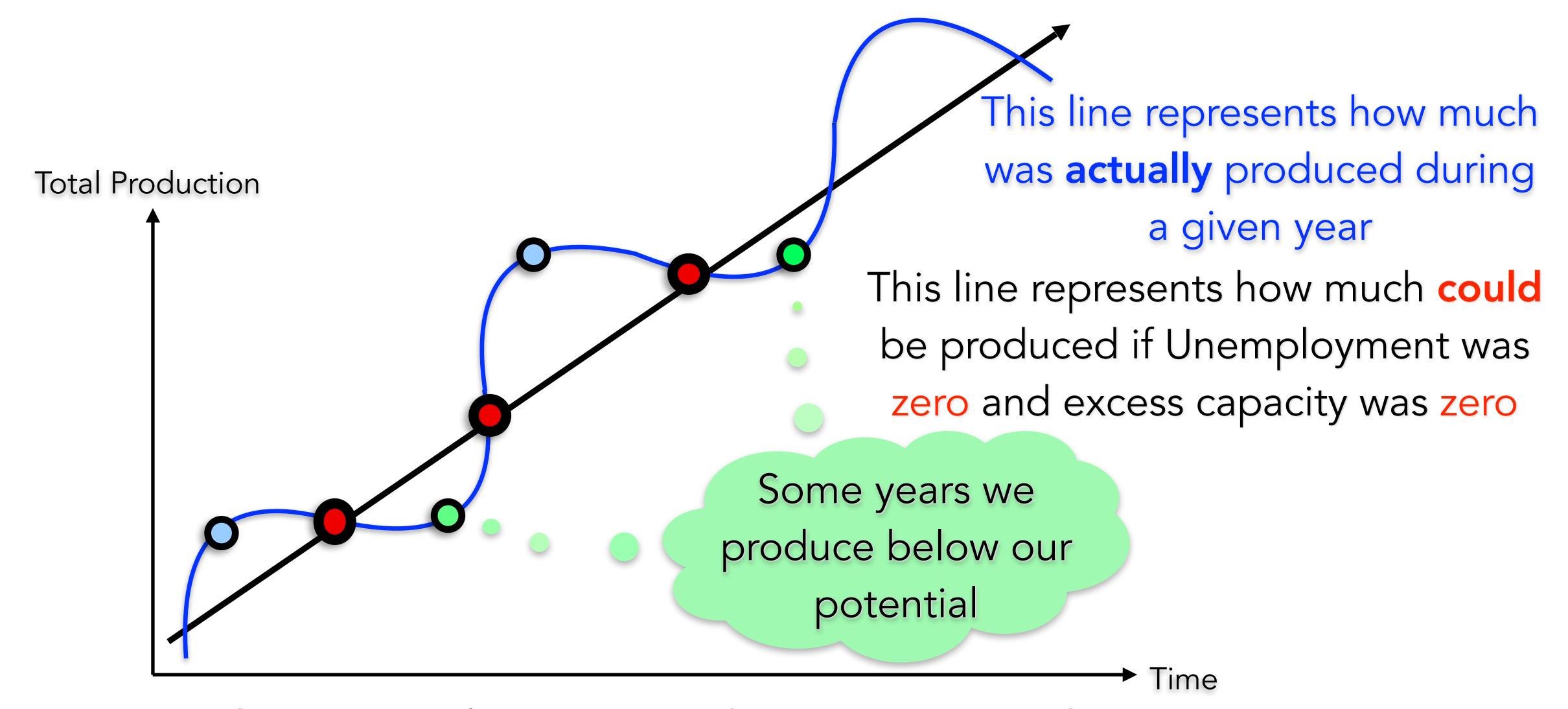








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Potential GDP = Hours worked x Labor Productivity x Labor Force