



A large, stylized blue graphic element on the left side of the slide. It consists of a thick vertical bar with several loops and a curved line extending from the top, resembling a calligraphic flourish or a stylized letter 'F'.

# Rational Functions(3)



Consider the function  $f$  defined over  $\mathbb{R}^*$  by  $f(x) = \frac{x^3 - x + 1}{x^2}$ . (C) its representative curve in an orthonormal system  $(O; \vec{i}; \vec{j})$ .

1. Calculate the limits of  $f$  at the boundaries of  $D$ .

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x^3}{x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} x = -\infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} x = +\infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = \frac{1}{0^+} = +\infty$$

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So  $x = 0$  is a vertical asymptote



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2. Determine  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$  and  $d$  so that  $f(x) = ax + b + \frac{cx+d}{x^2}$ . Deduce that the line (d) of equation  $ax + b$  is an oblique asymptote.

$$ax + b + \frac{cx+d}{x^2} = \frac{(ax+b)x^2+cx+d}{x^2} = \frac{ax^3+bx^2+cx+d}{x^2} = \frac{x^3-x+1}{x^2}$$

By comparing the numerators:

$$a = 1 \quad ; \quad b = 0 \quad ; \quad c = -1 \quad ; \quad d = 1$$

$$\text{So } f(x) = x + \frac{-x+1}{x^2}$$

$$f(x) - y = x + \frac{-x+1}{x^2} - x = \frac{-x+1}{x^2}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} \frac{-x+1}{x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} -\frac{x}{x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} -\frac{1}{x} = 0 \text{ so (d) is an oblique asymptote.}$$



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3. Study the relative position between (d) and (C).

$$f(x) - y = x + \frac{-x+1}{x^2} - x = \frac{-x+1}{x^2} \quad ; \quad -x + 1 = 0 \quad ; \quad x = 1$$

$x$	0		1	
$f(x) - y$	+		+	0 -
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(C) cuts (d)  
at (1;1)



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4. Show that  $f'(x) = \frac{(x-1)(x^2+x+2)}{x^3}$  and set up the table of variations of  $f$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{(3x^2-1)(x^2) - 2x(x^3-x+1)}{(x^2)^2} = \frac{3x^4 - x^2 - 2x^4 + 2x^2 - 2x}{x^4} = \frac{x^4 + x^2 - 2x}{x^4} = \frac{x(x^3 + x - 2)}{x^4} \\ &= \frac{x^3 + x - 2}{x^3} \end{aligned}$$

$$(x-1)(x^2+x+2) = x^3 + x^2 + 2x - x^2 - x - 2 = x^3 + x - 2$$

$$\text{So } f'(x) = \frac{(x-1)(x^2+x+2)}{x^3}$$

$$f'(x) = 0 \quad ; \quad x-1=0 \quad \text{or} \quad x^2+x+2=0$$

$$x=1$$

$$\Delta = 1^2 - 4(1)(2) = -7 < 0 \text{ so no roots}$$



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$x^2 + x + 2$	+		+	+
$x^3$	—		+	+
$f'(x)$	+		— 0 +	
$f(x)$	$+\infty$	$+\infty$	$+\infty$	

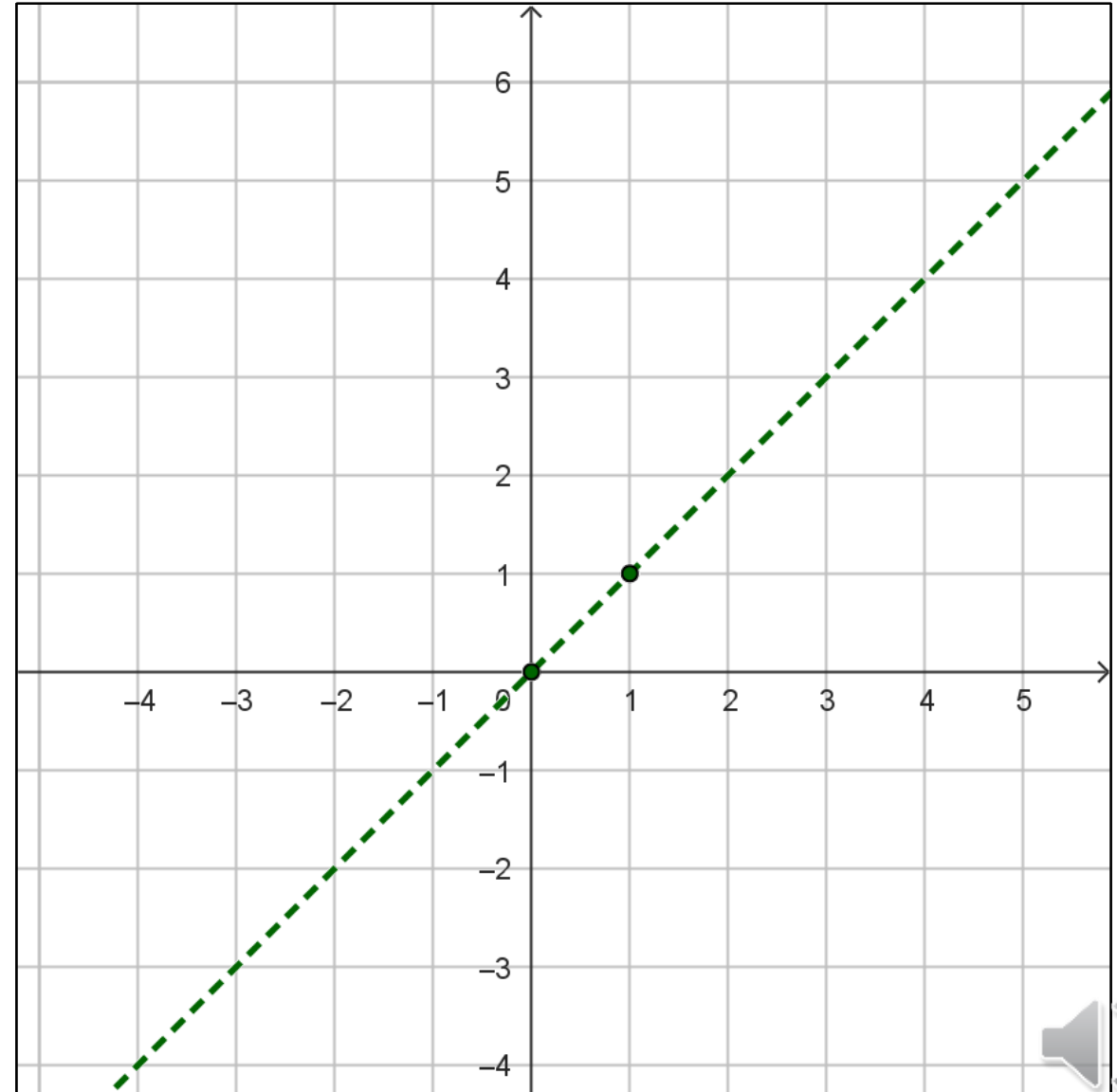
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 $x = 0$  vertical line which is  $(y'y)$   
 $y = x$  Oblique line

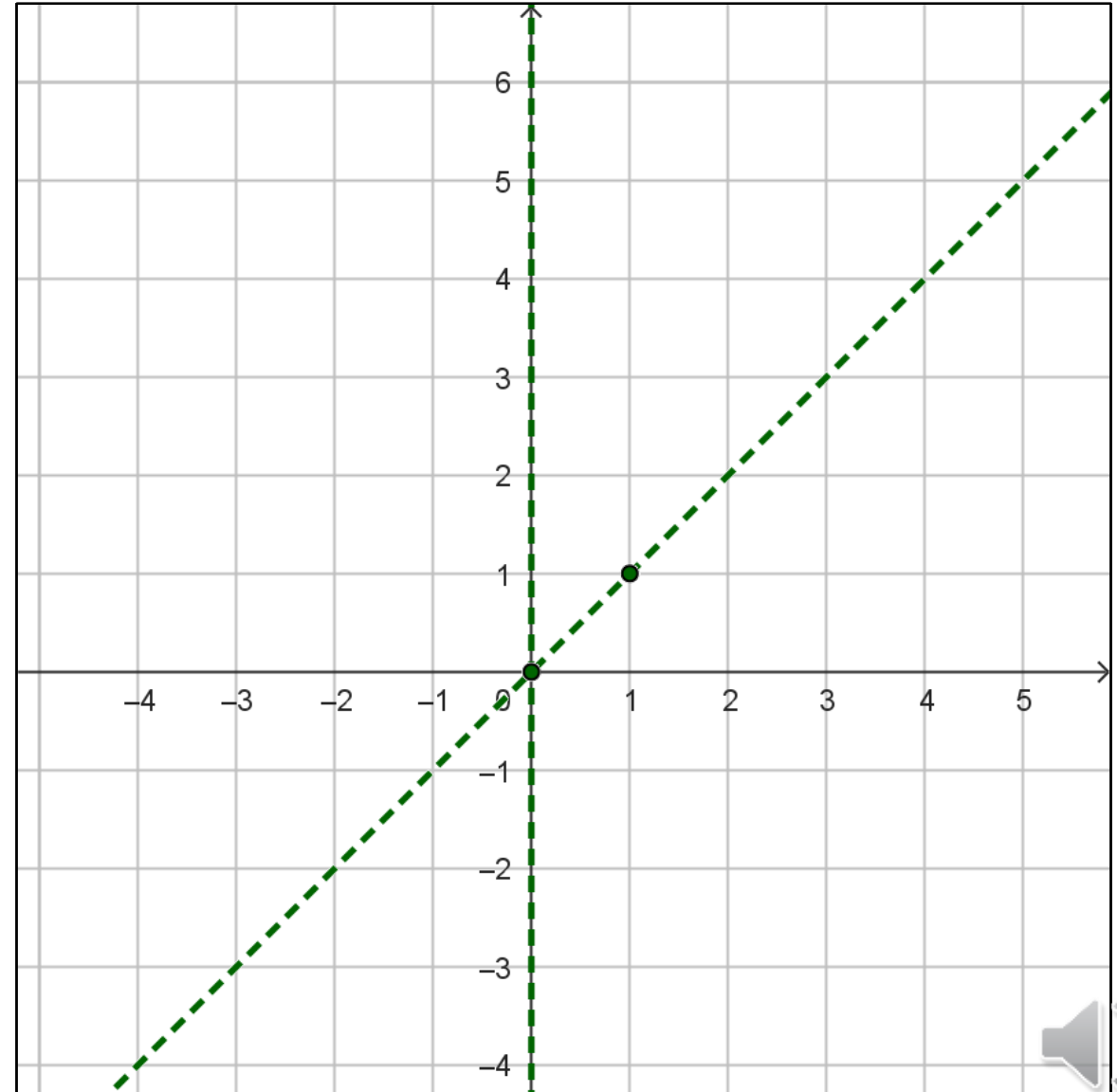




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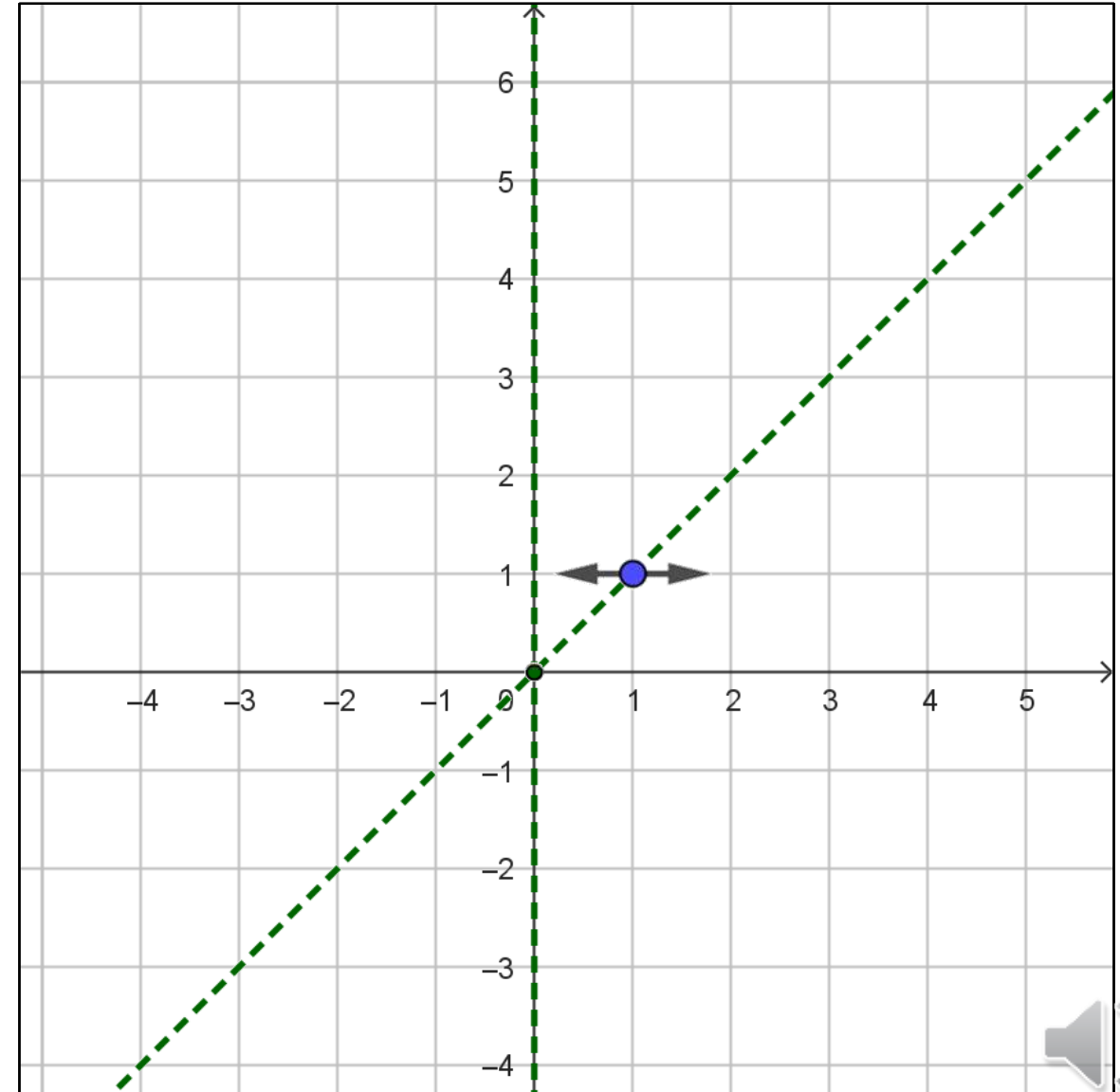
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➤ Plot the extrema

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$x^2 + x + 2$	+		+	+
$x^3$	—		+	+
$f'(x)$	+		— 0 +	
$f(x)$		$+\infty$	$+\infty$	$+\infty$

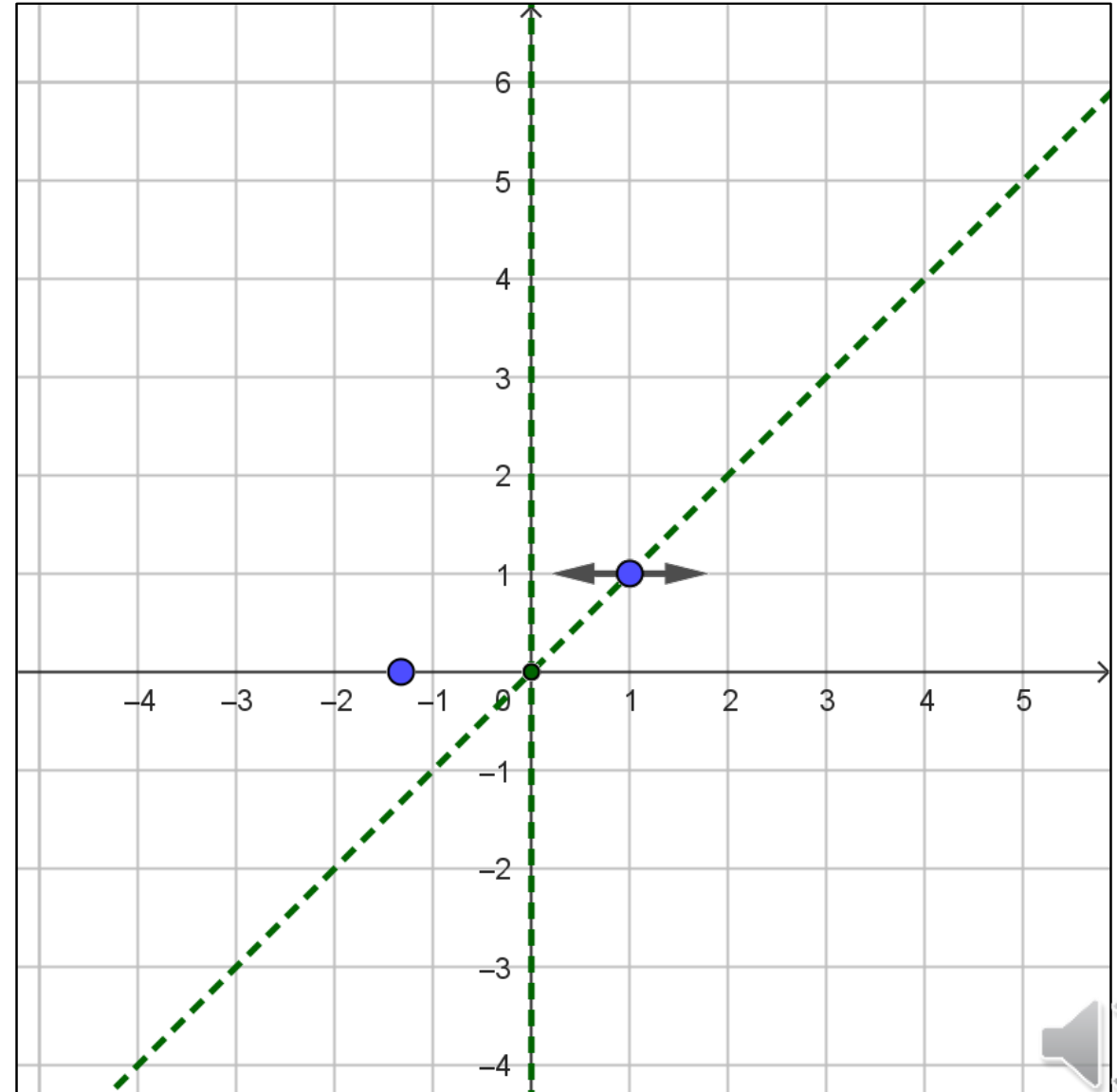
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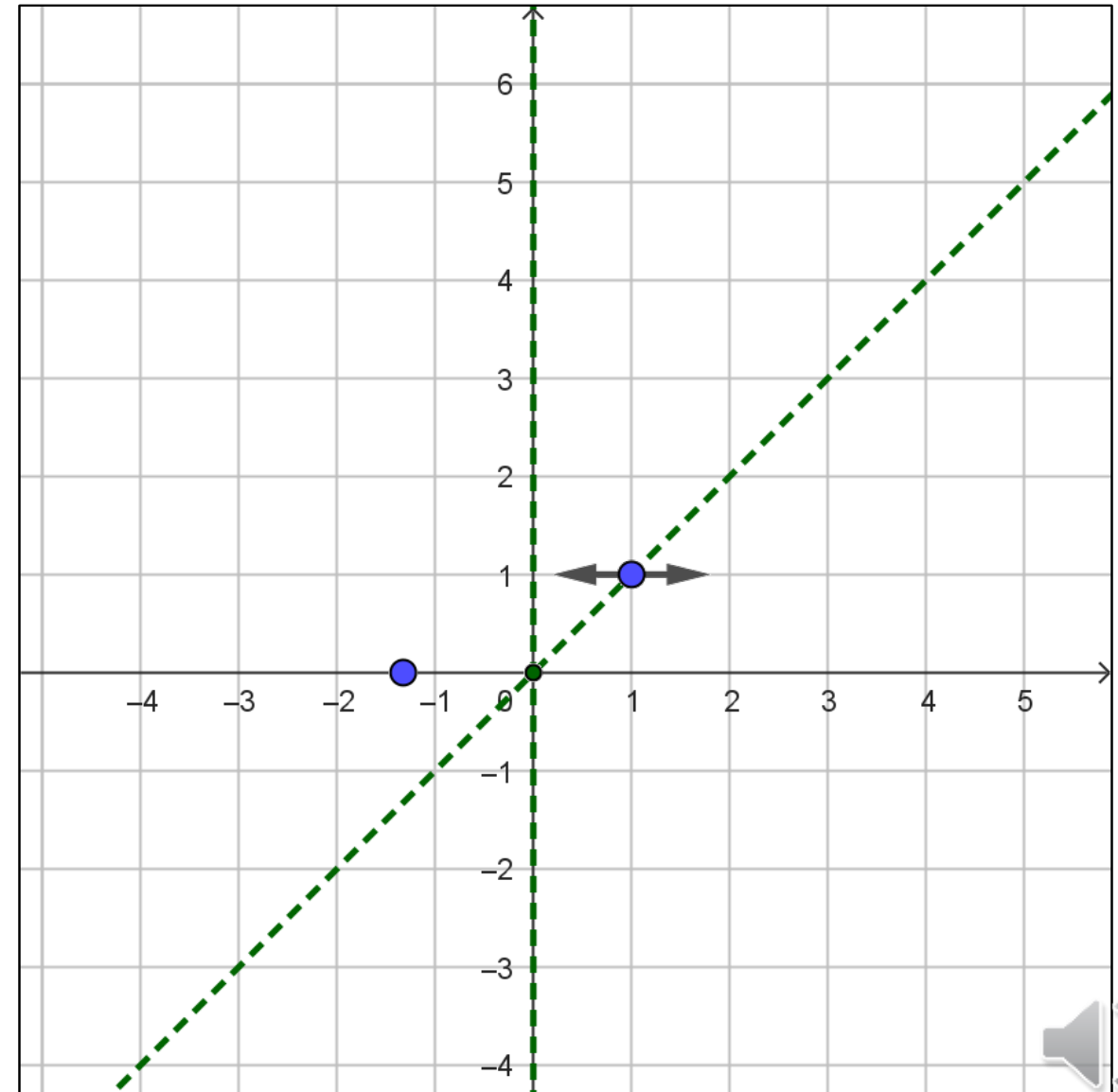
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➤ Start drawing based on the table of variations

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$x - 1$	—		—	0	+
$x^2 + x + 2$	+		+		+
$x^3$	—		+		+
$f'(x)$	+		—	0	+
$f(x)$		$+\infty$		$+\infty$	$+\infty$

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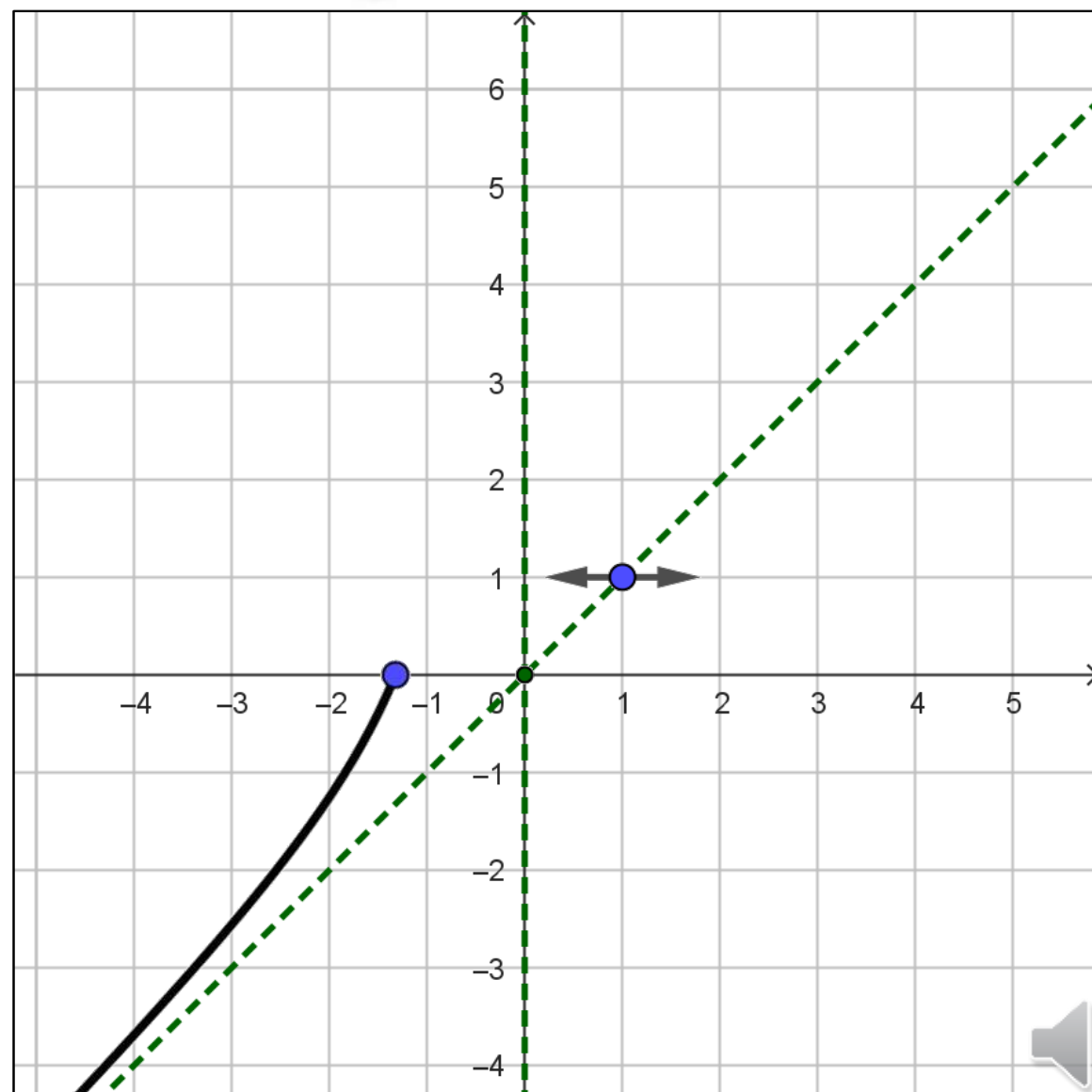
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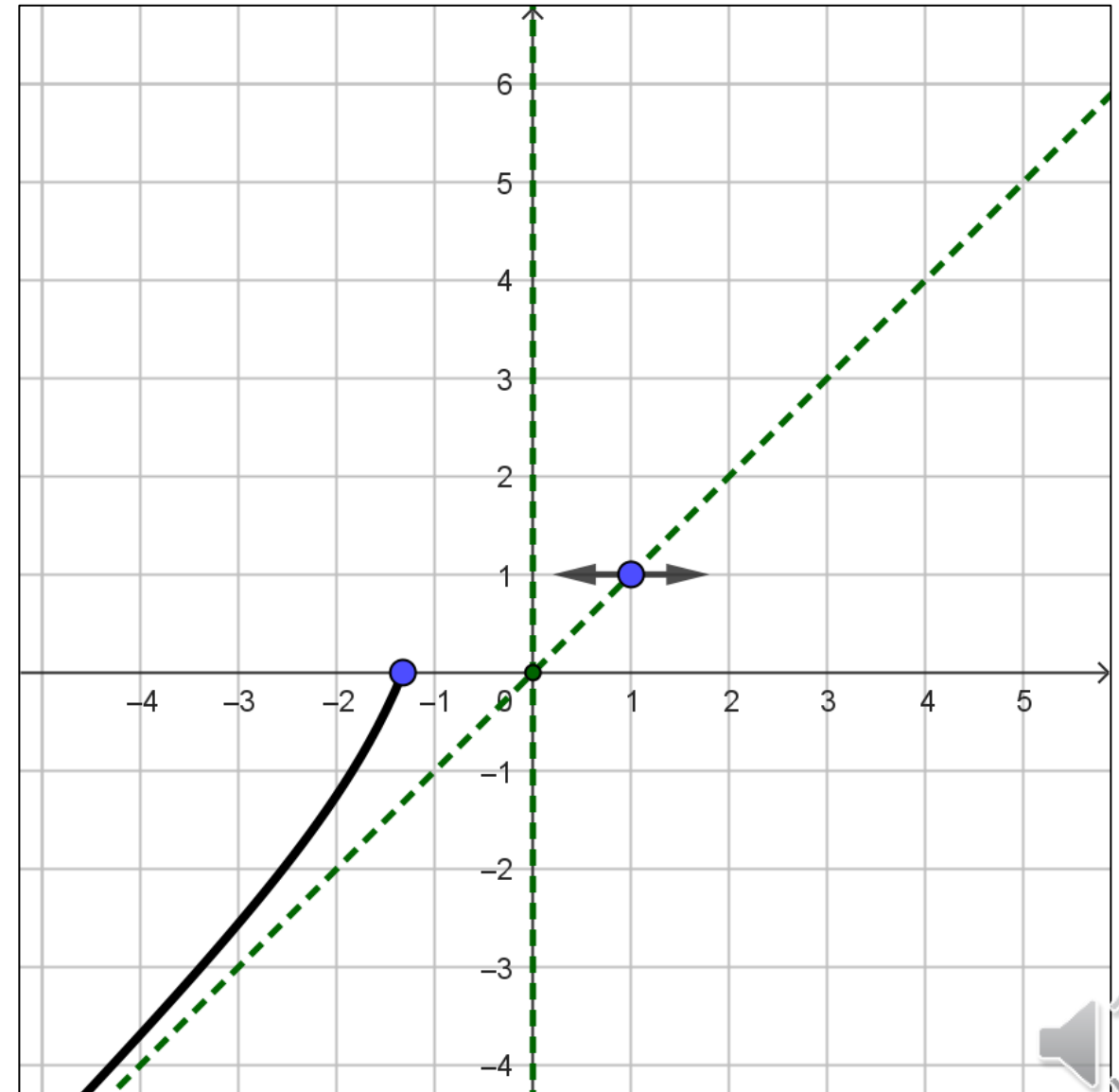
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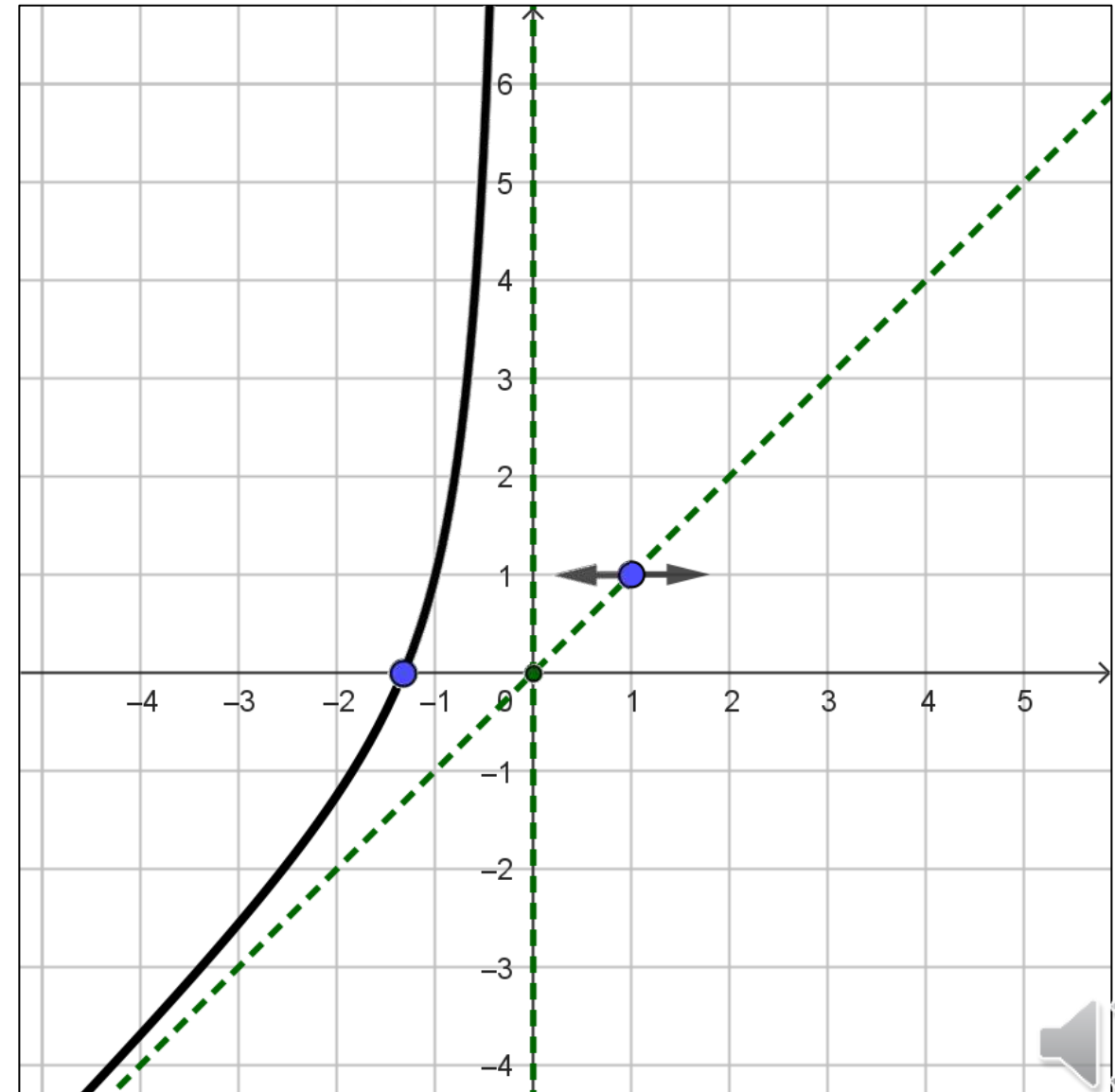


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$f'(x)$	+	-
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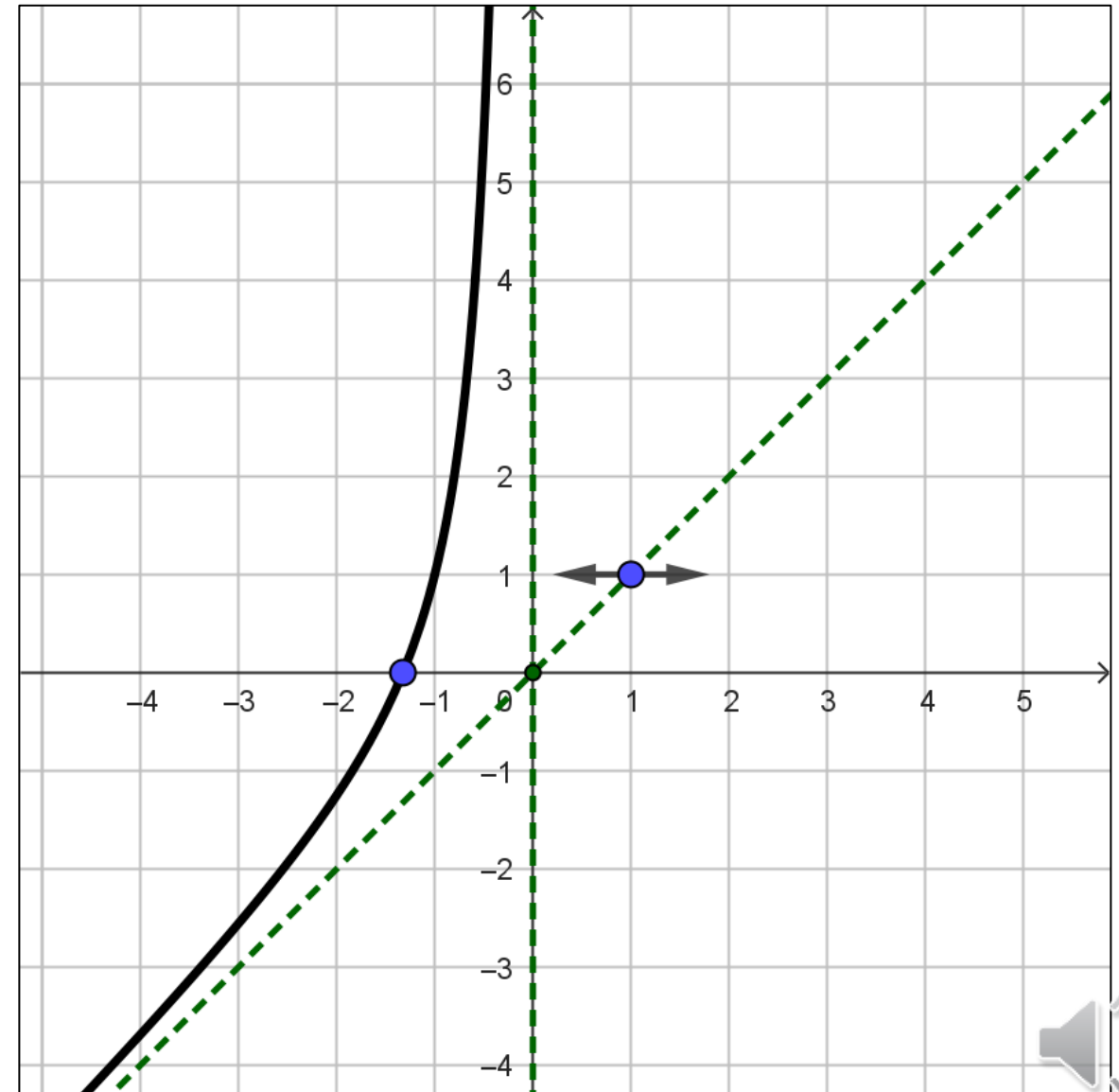
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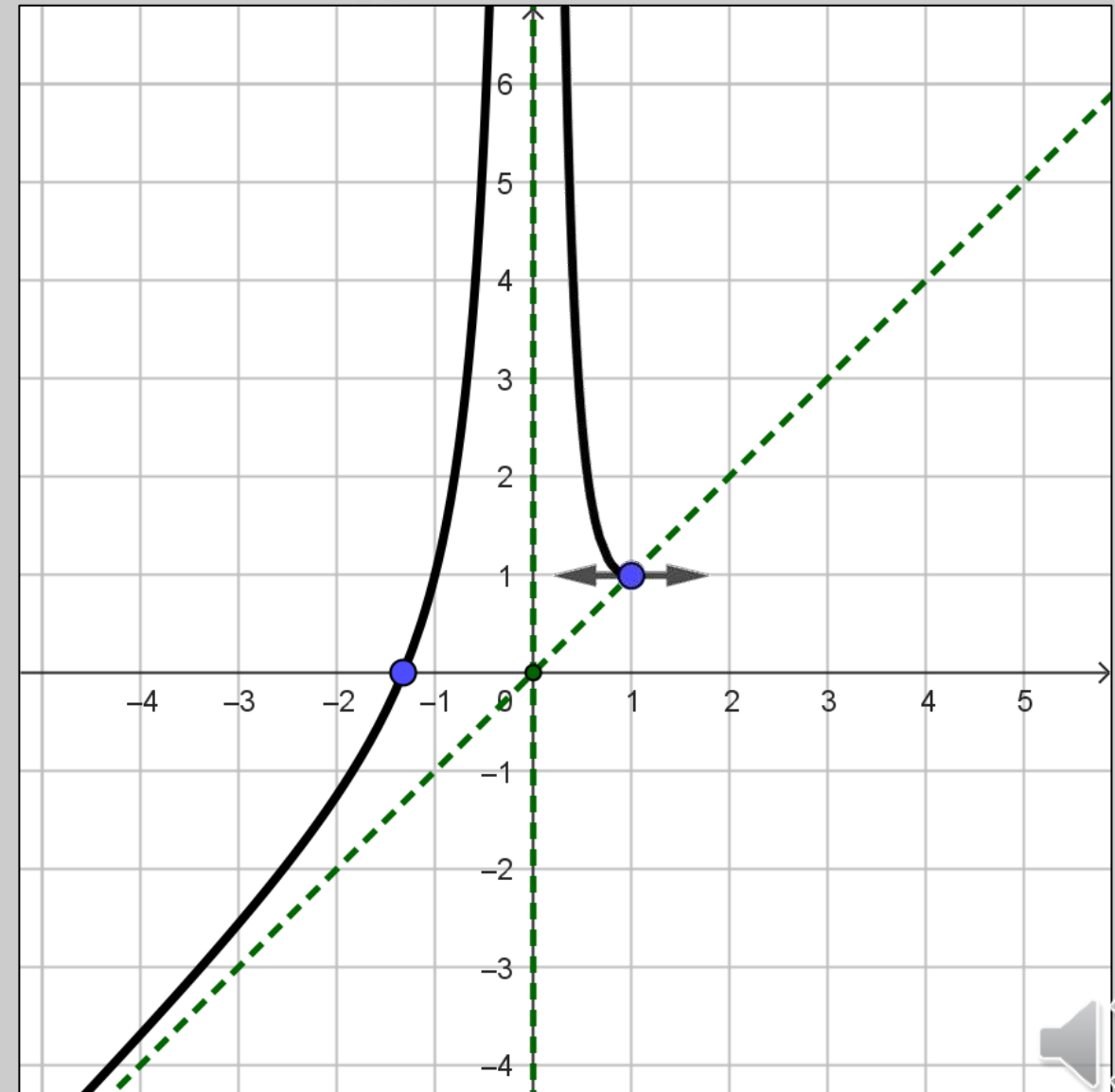


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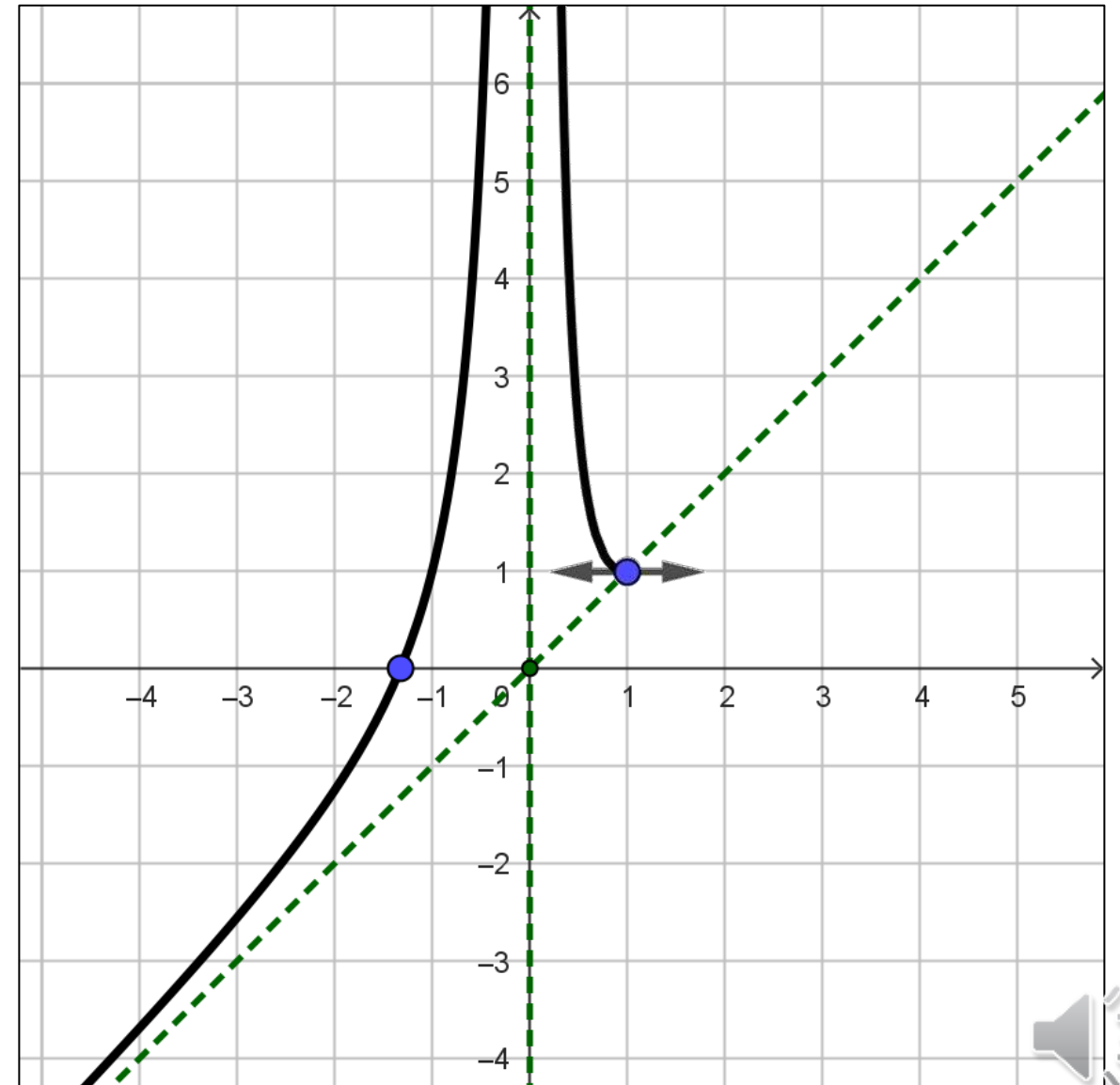
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