

# Today

- log graph and semi-log plots
- Exponential derivative (what is  $C_a$ ?)
- Bacterial growth example
- Doubling time, half life, characteristic time
- Exponential behaviour as solution to DE

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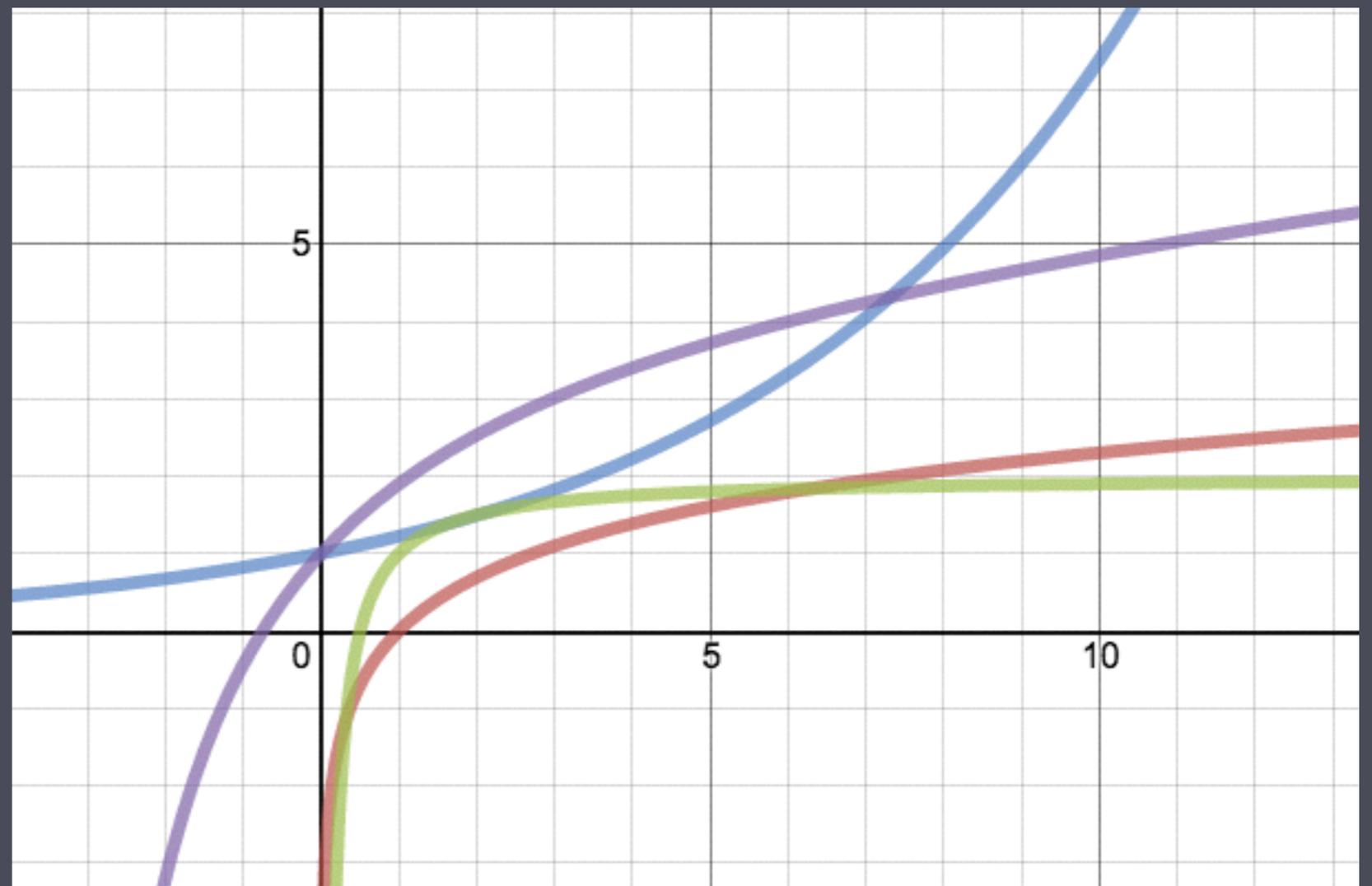
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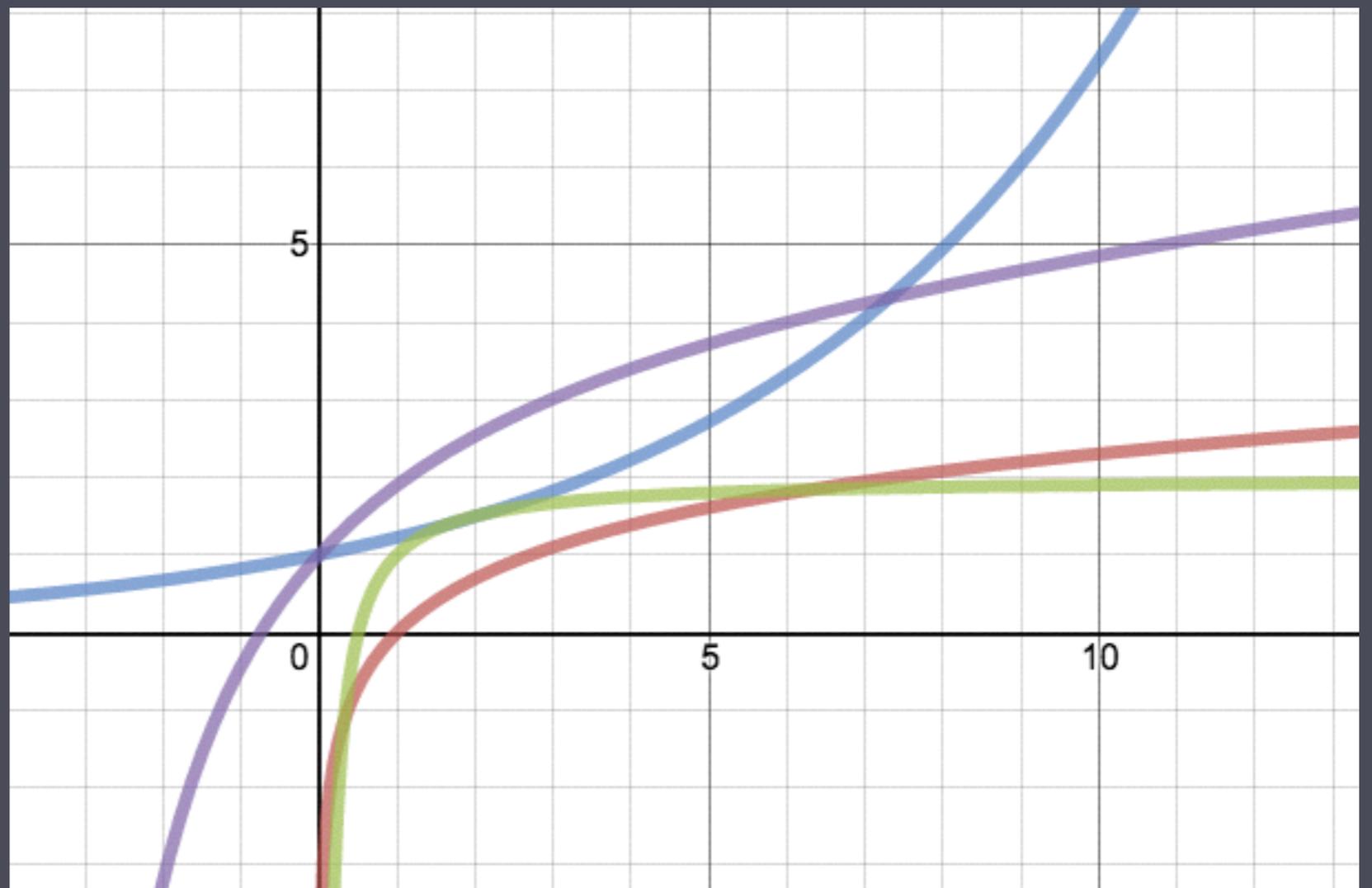
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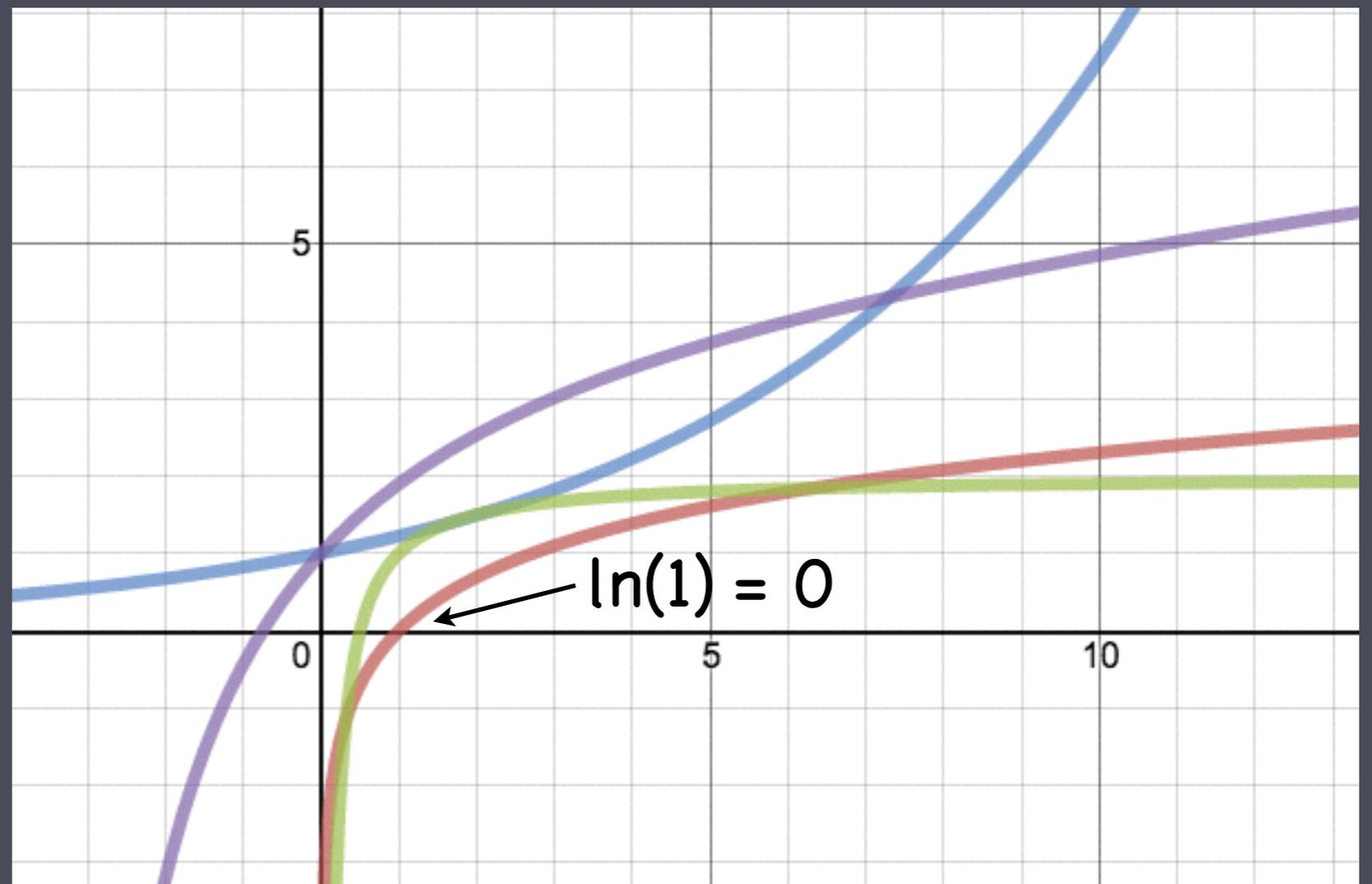
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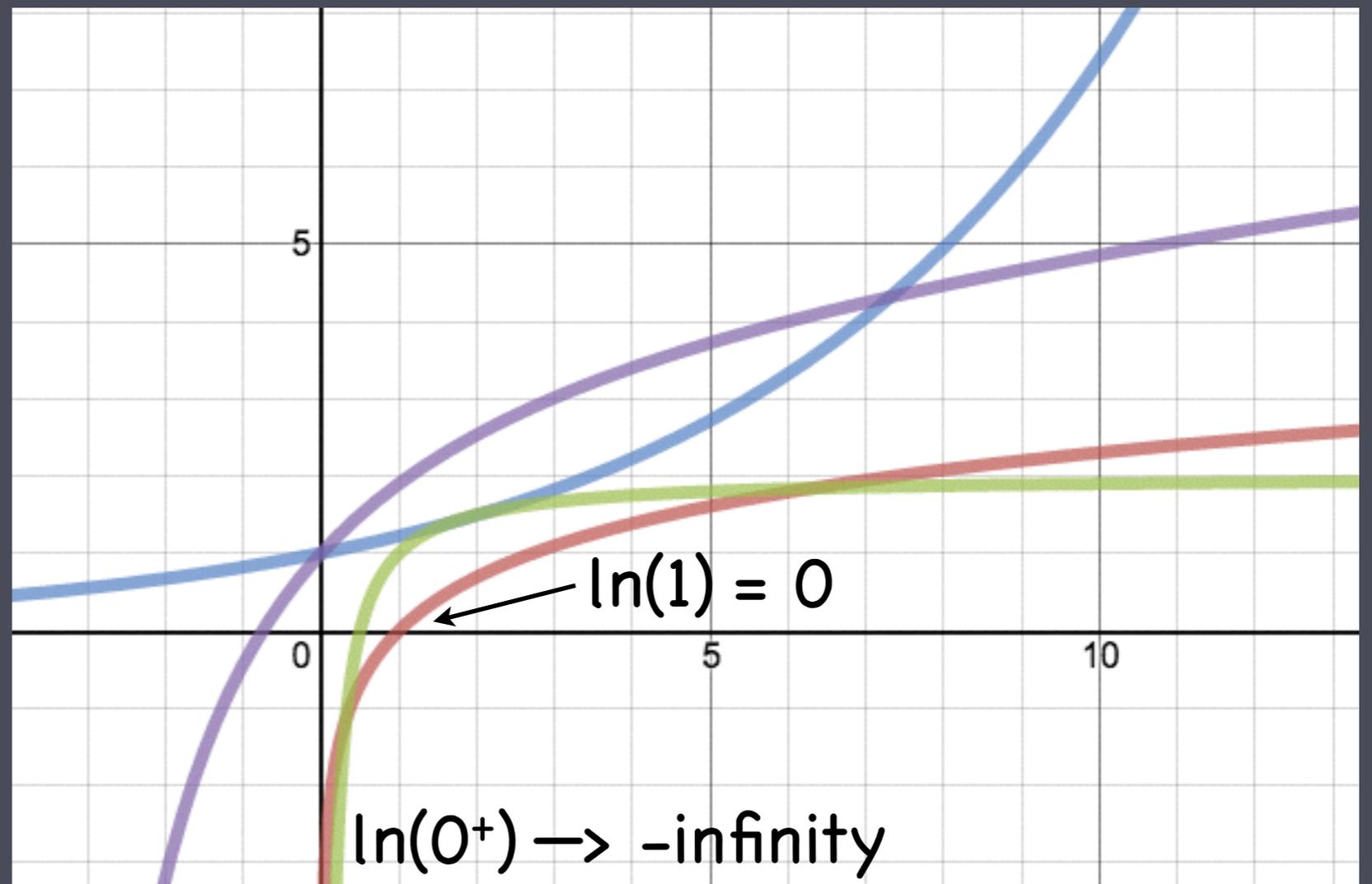
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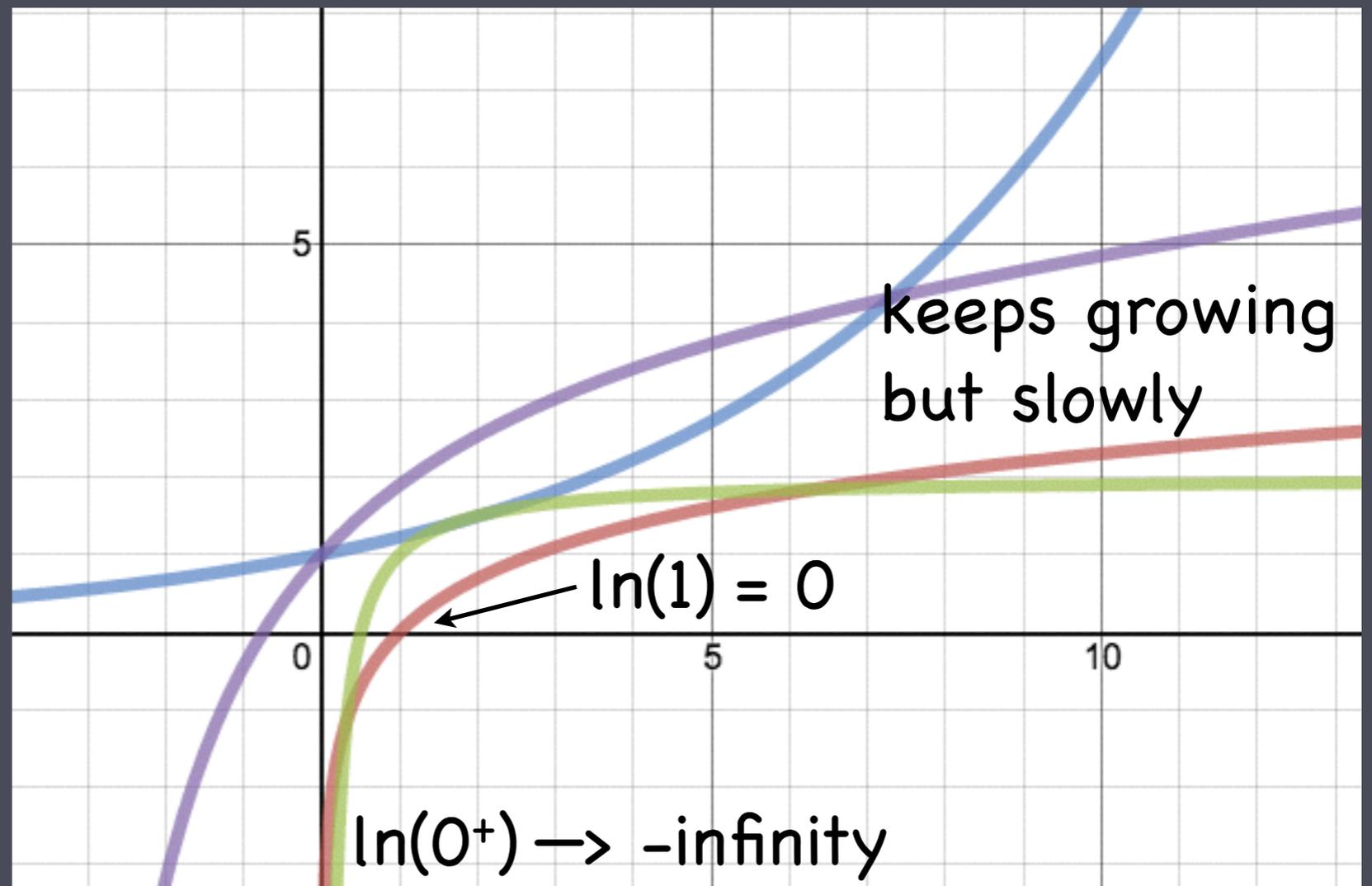
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←---this is what OSH 5 asks you to use

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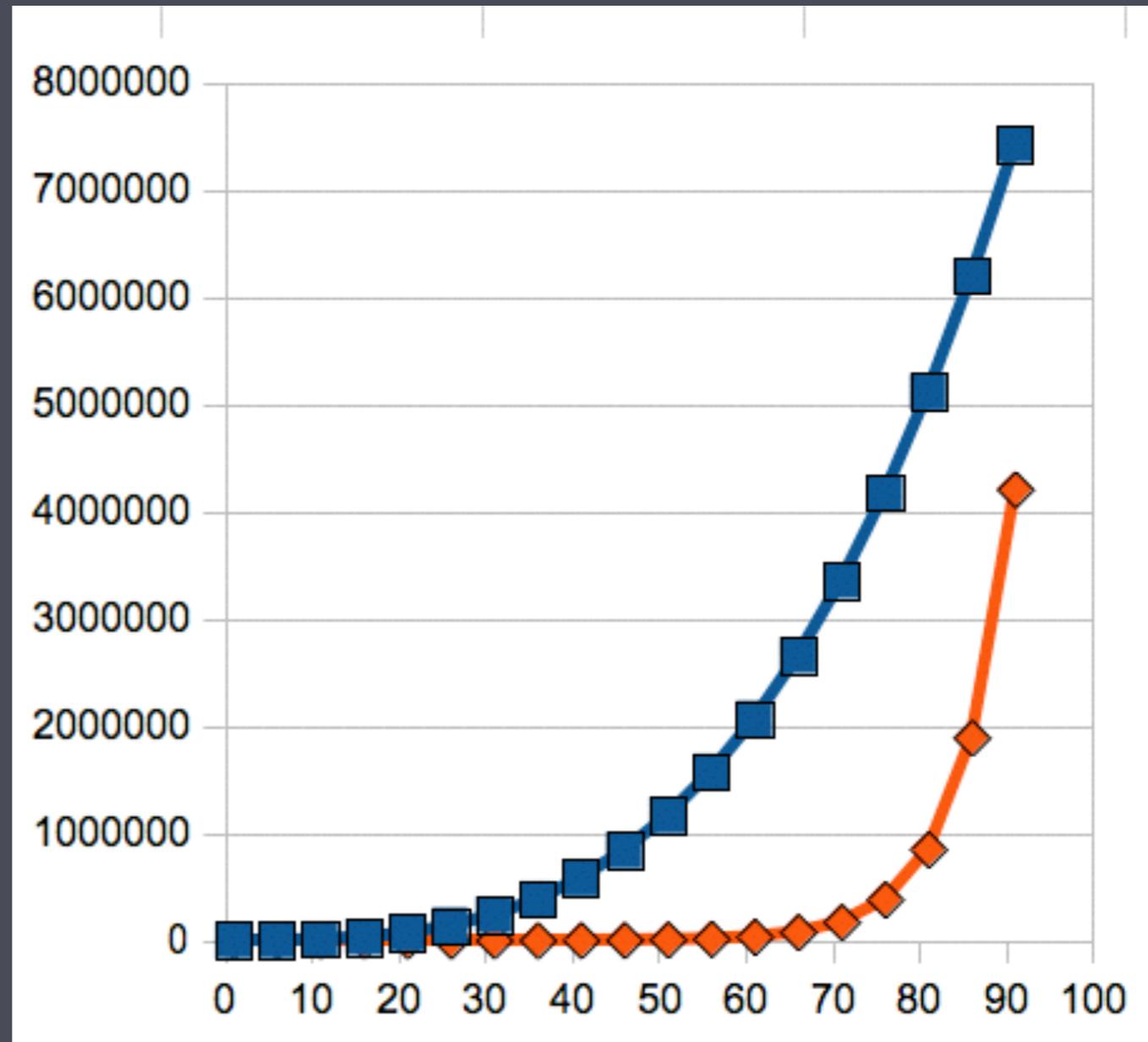
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# Regular, log-log and semi-log plots

Two data sets.

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Exponential function?



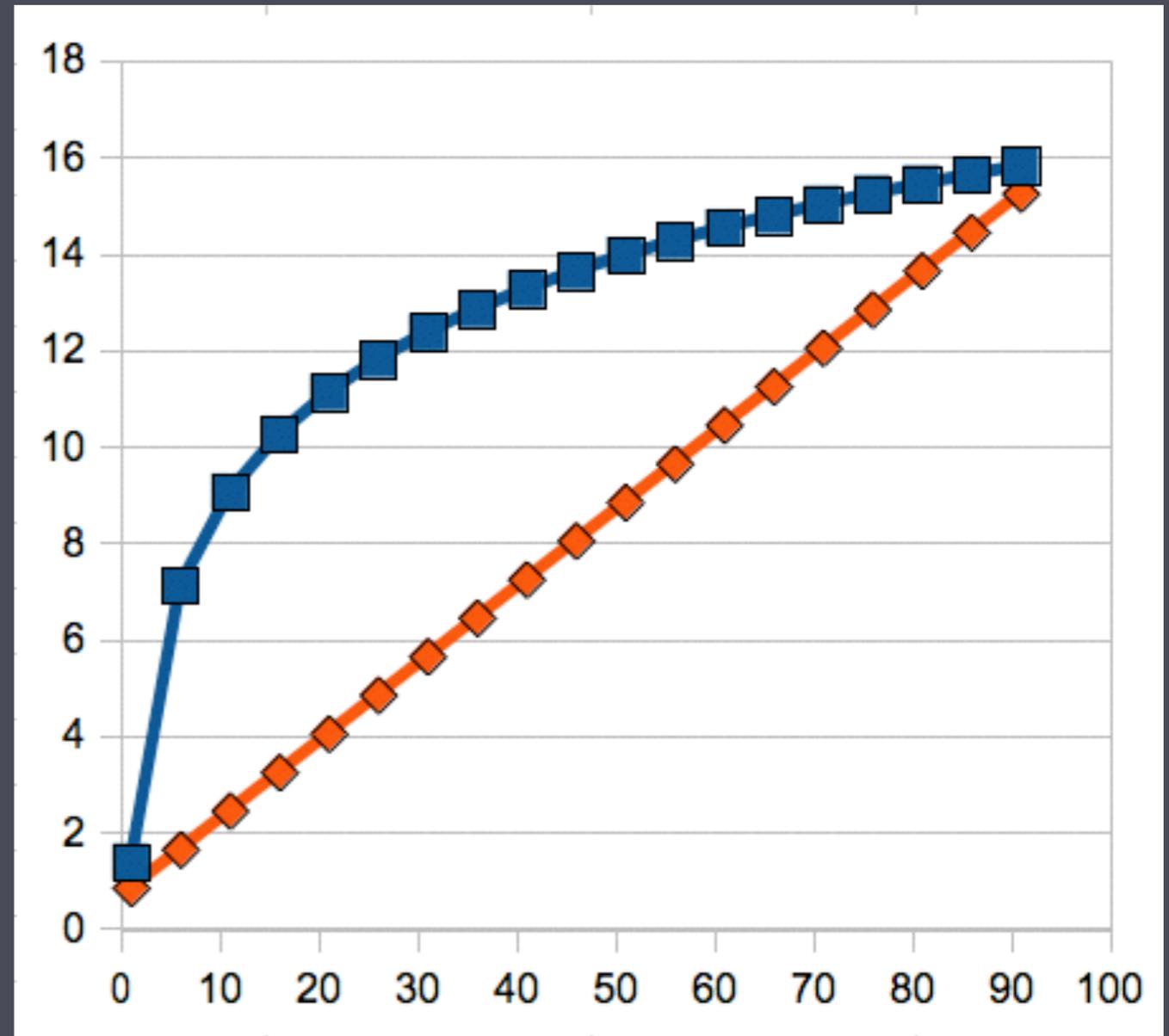
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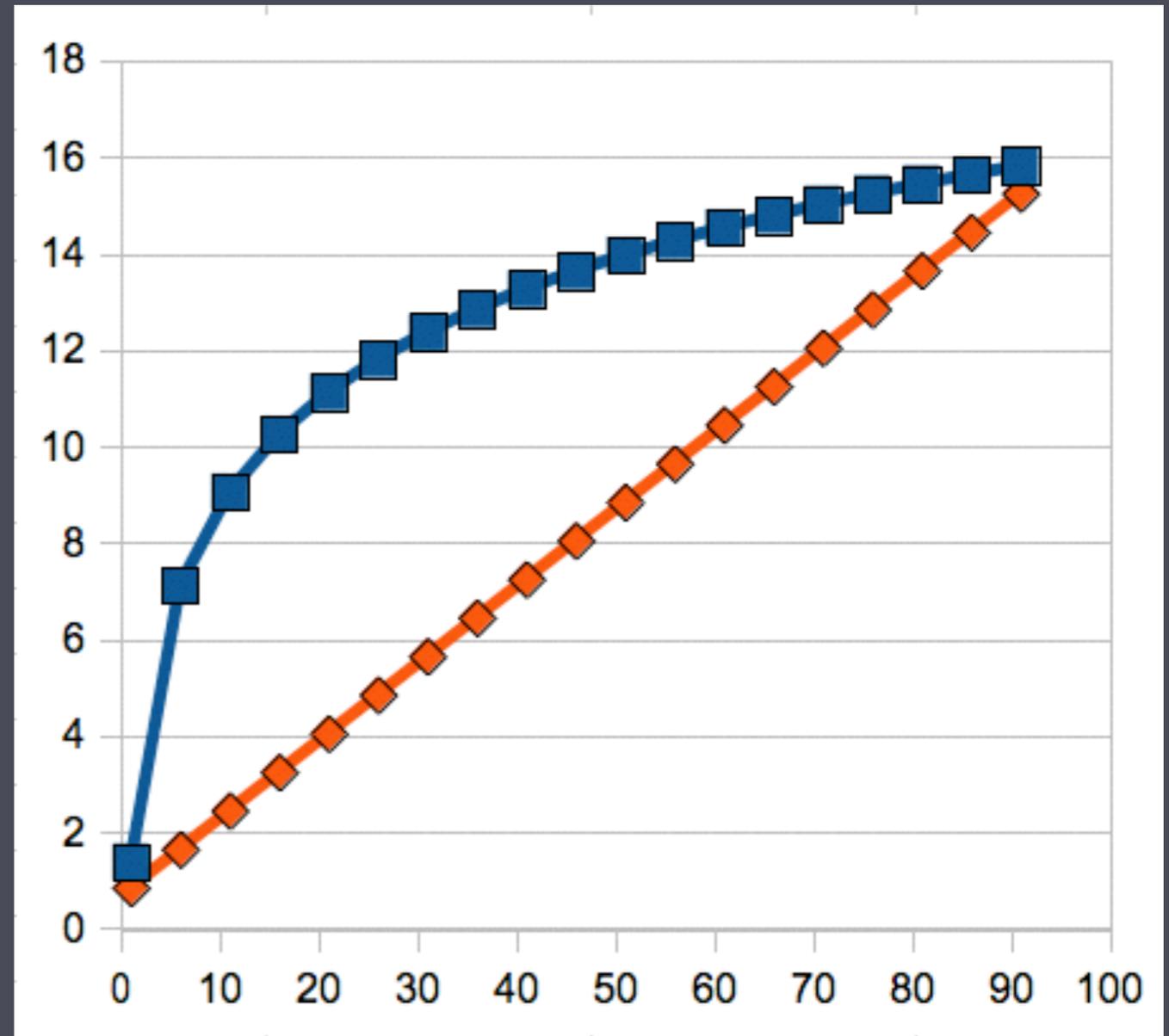
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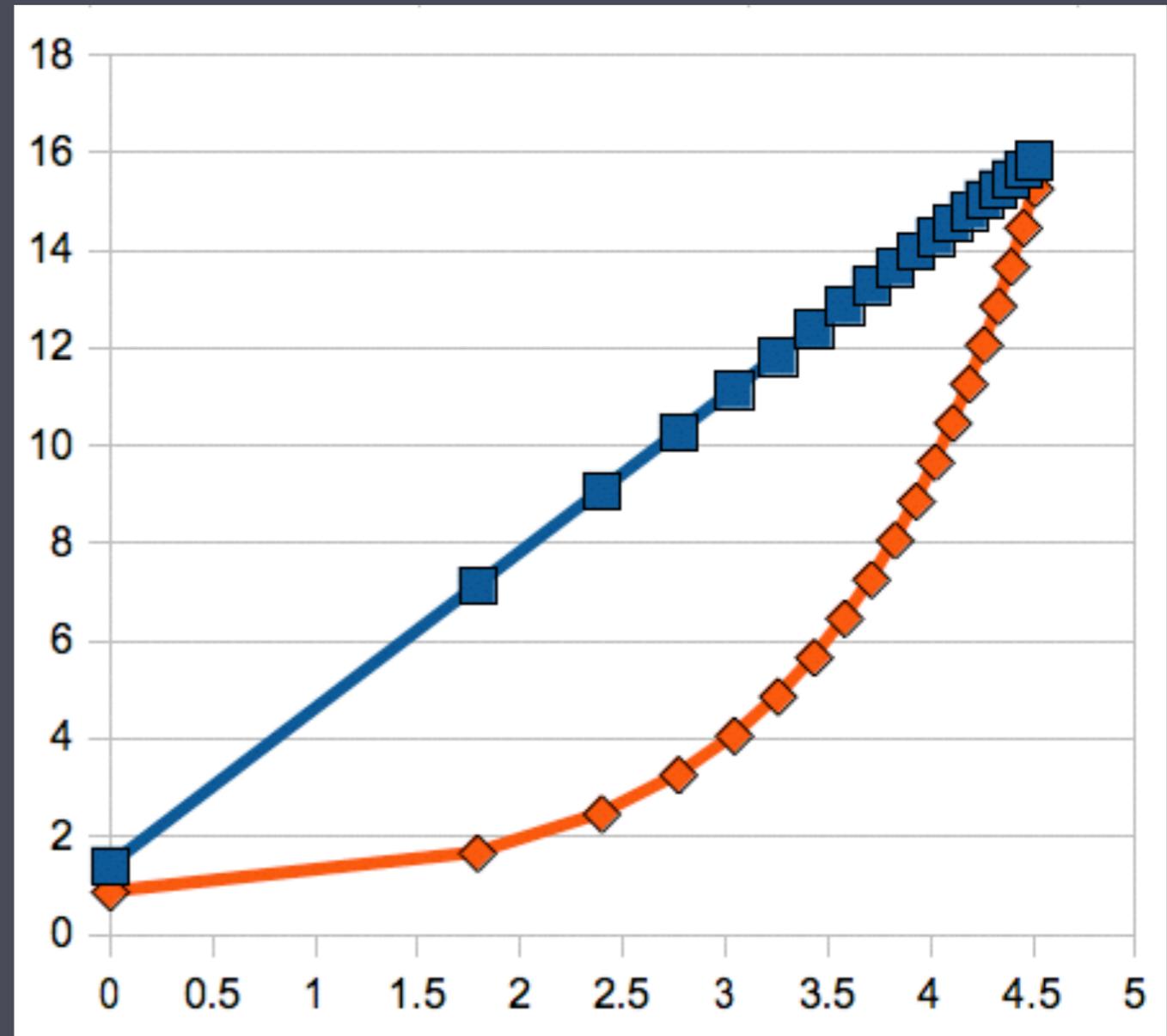
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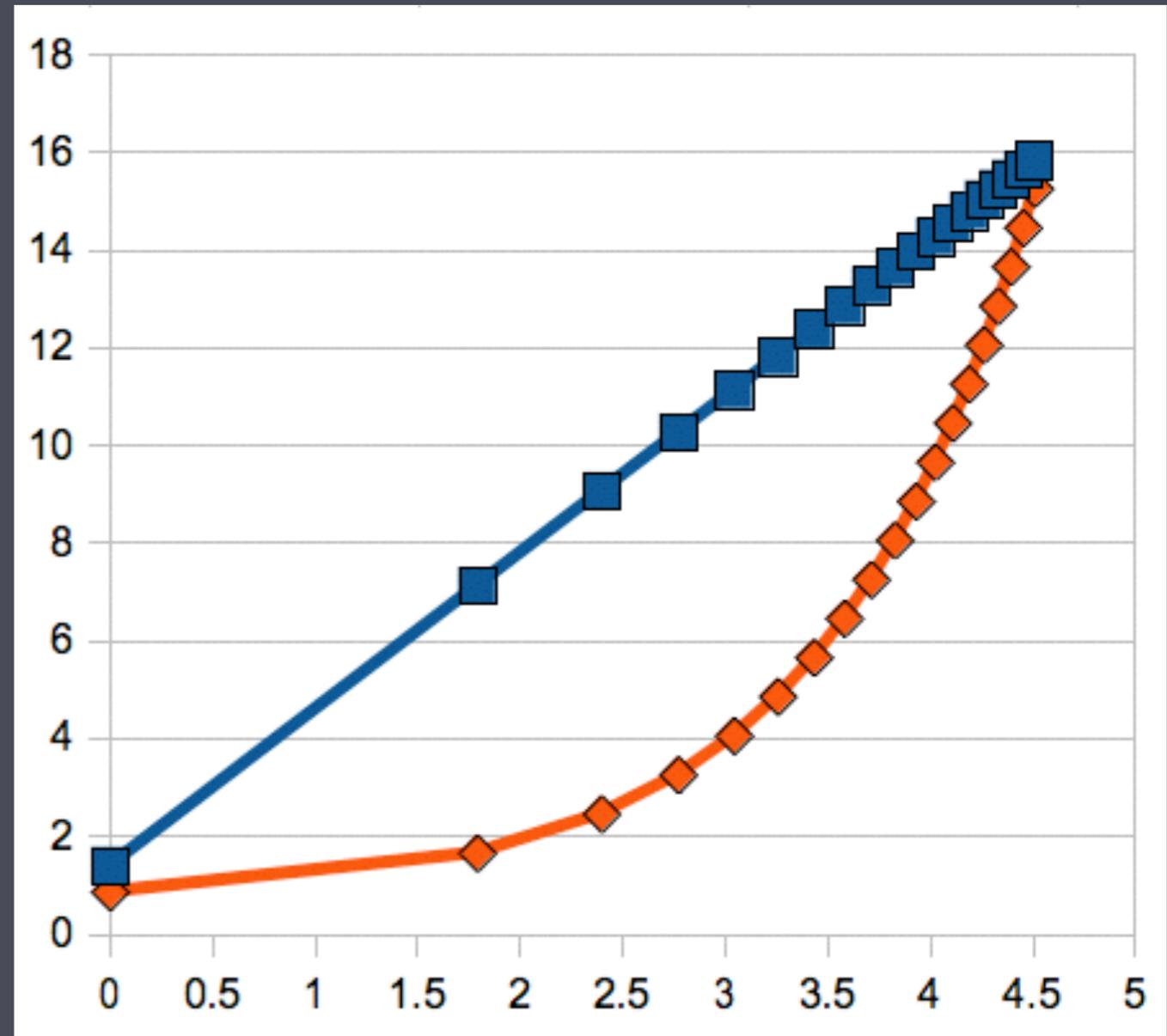
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- Recall that we got stuck on this derivative.
- Time to get unstuck...

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- This is called the **characteristic time** or **mean life**. Just like half-life but replace 2 with  $e$  (could be called  $1/e$ -life).