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PART I

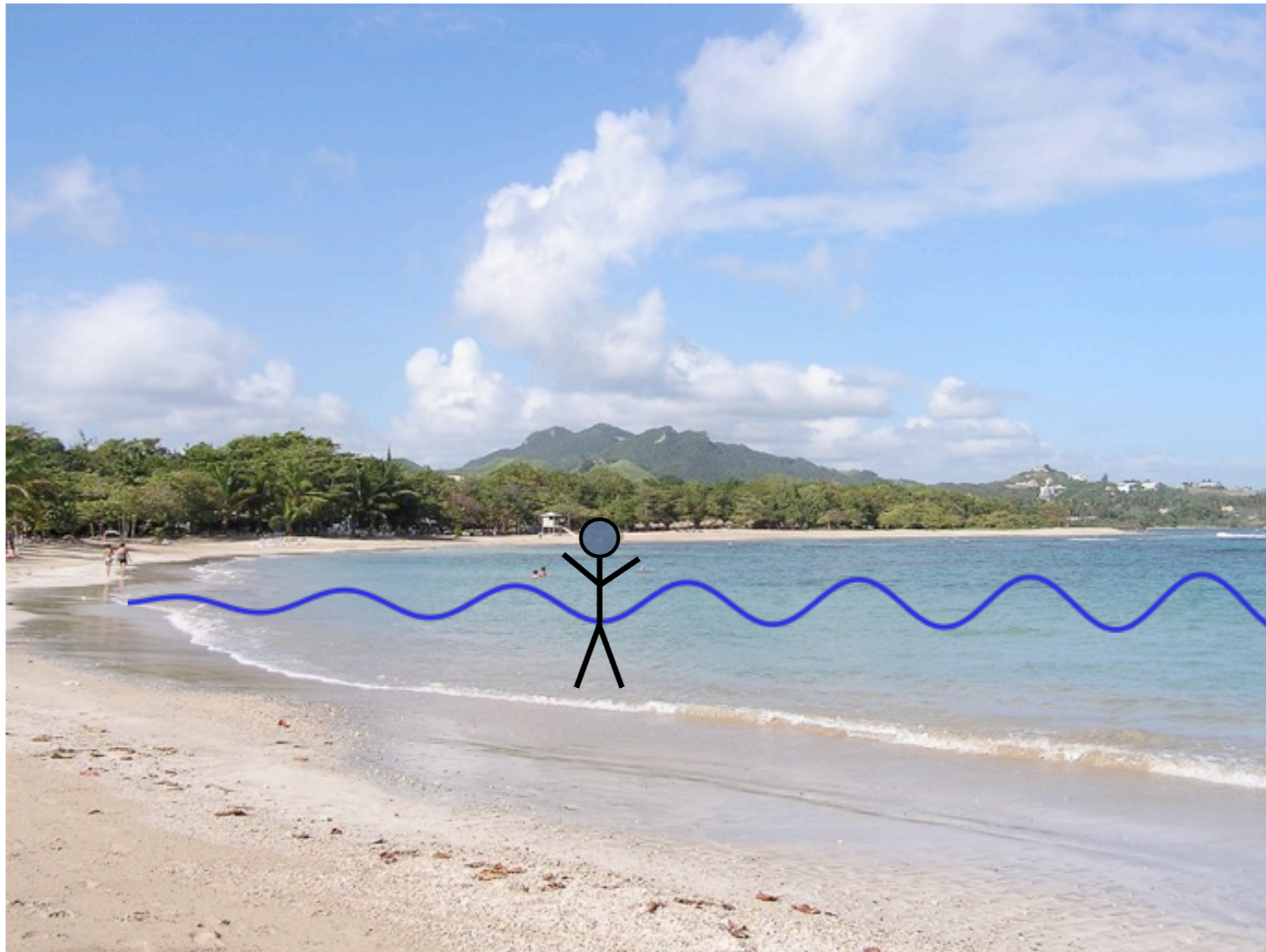
Summary

- Hello, I'm a wave
- The unit circle and the Pythagorean theorem
- The sine wave
- Period and frequency
- The Phase Angle
- The Harmonics
- Building a square wave
- The Spectrum

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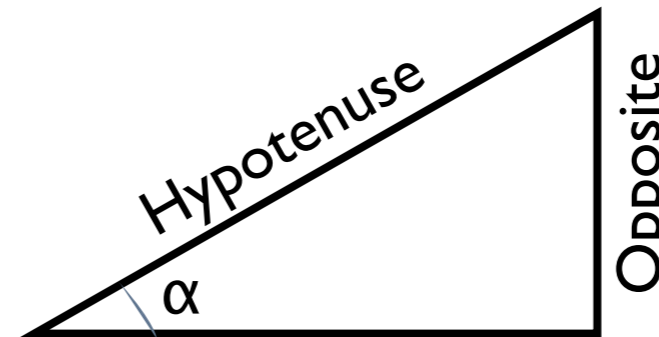


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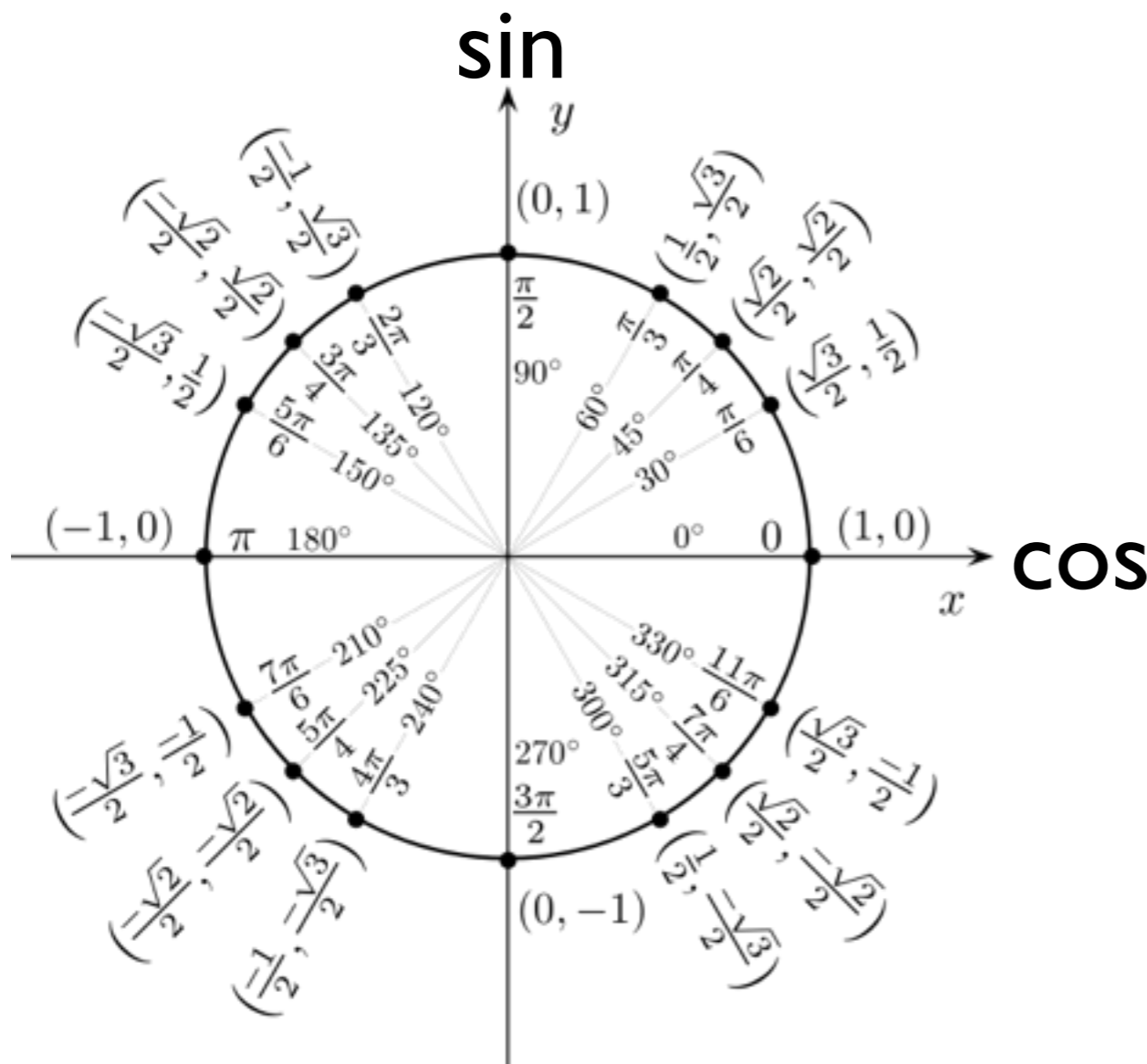


The unit circle

and the Pythagorean theorem



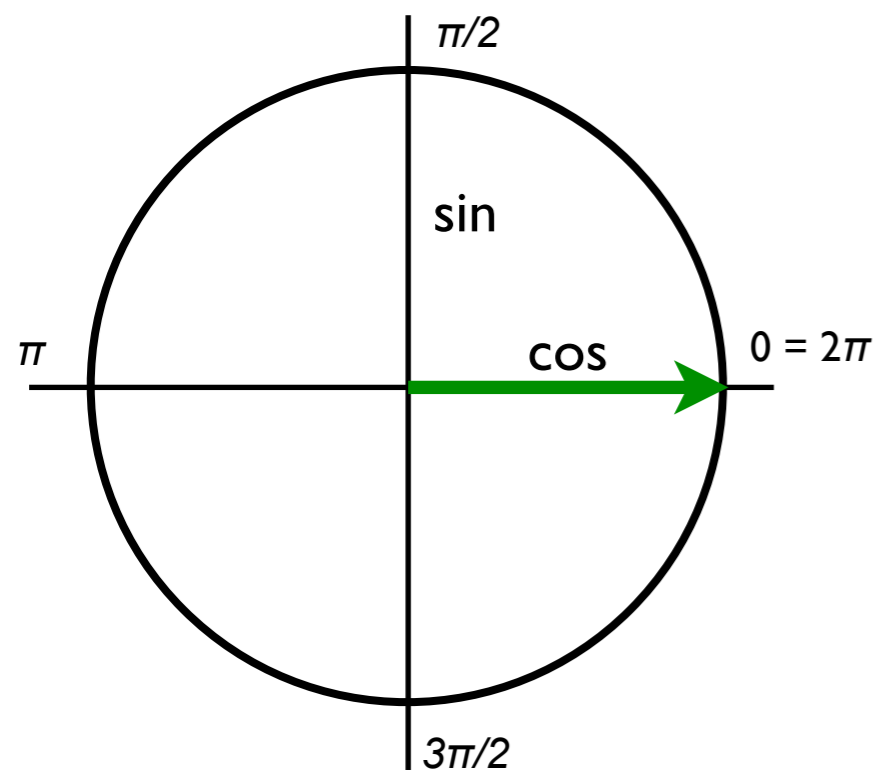
$$\sin(\alpha) = \frac{\text{Opposite}}{\text{Hypotenuse}}$$



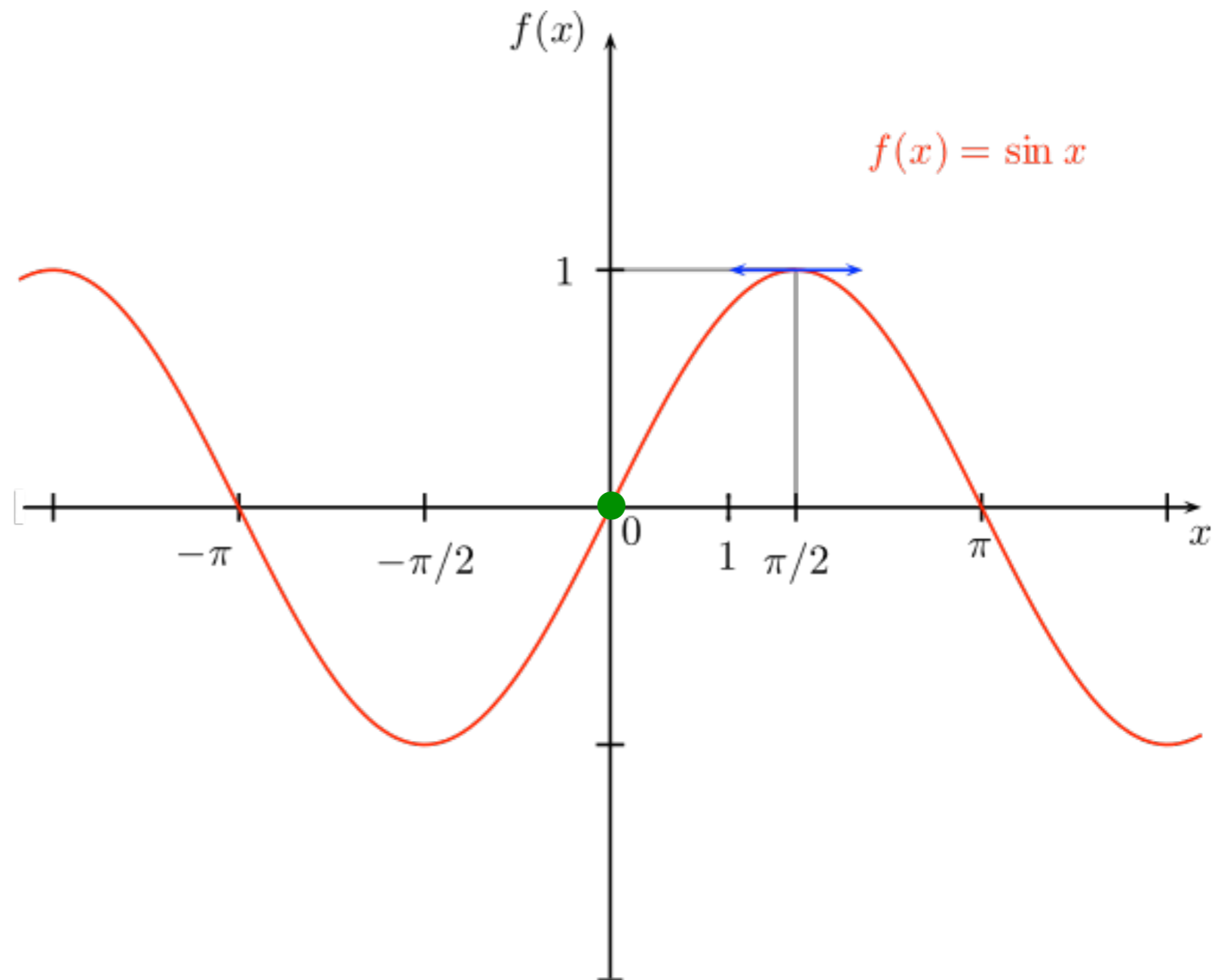
Angle	0	$\pi/6$ 30°	$\pi/4$ 45°	$\pi/3$ 60°	$\pi/2$ 90°
sin	$\frac{\sqrt{0}}{2} = 0$	$\frac{\sqrt{1}}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	$\frac{\sqrt{4}}{2} = 1$

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Unit_circle_angles.svg

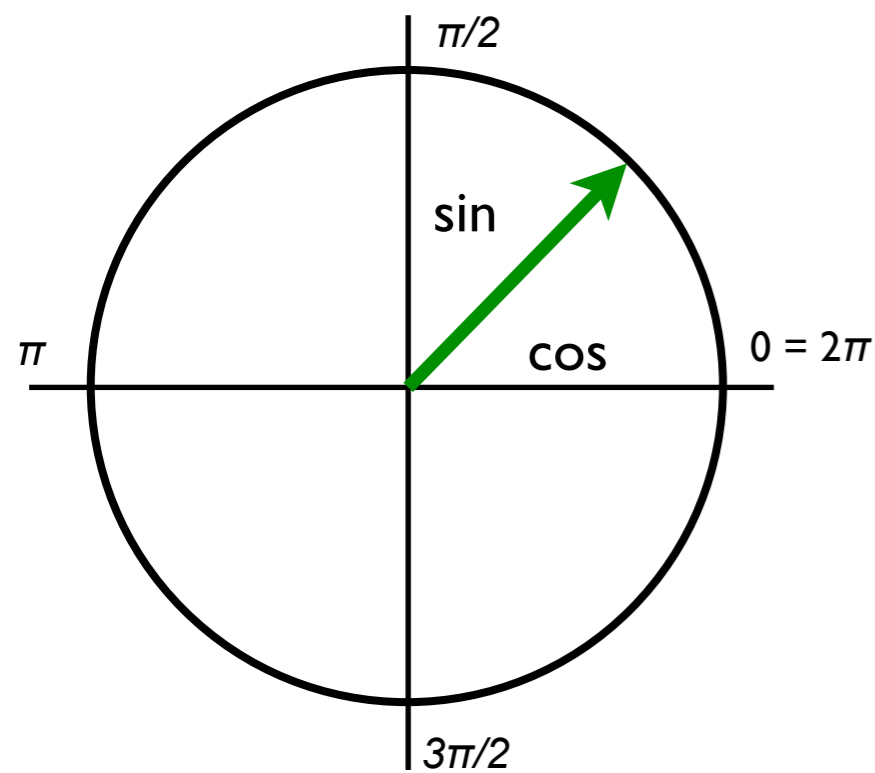
The sine wave



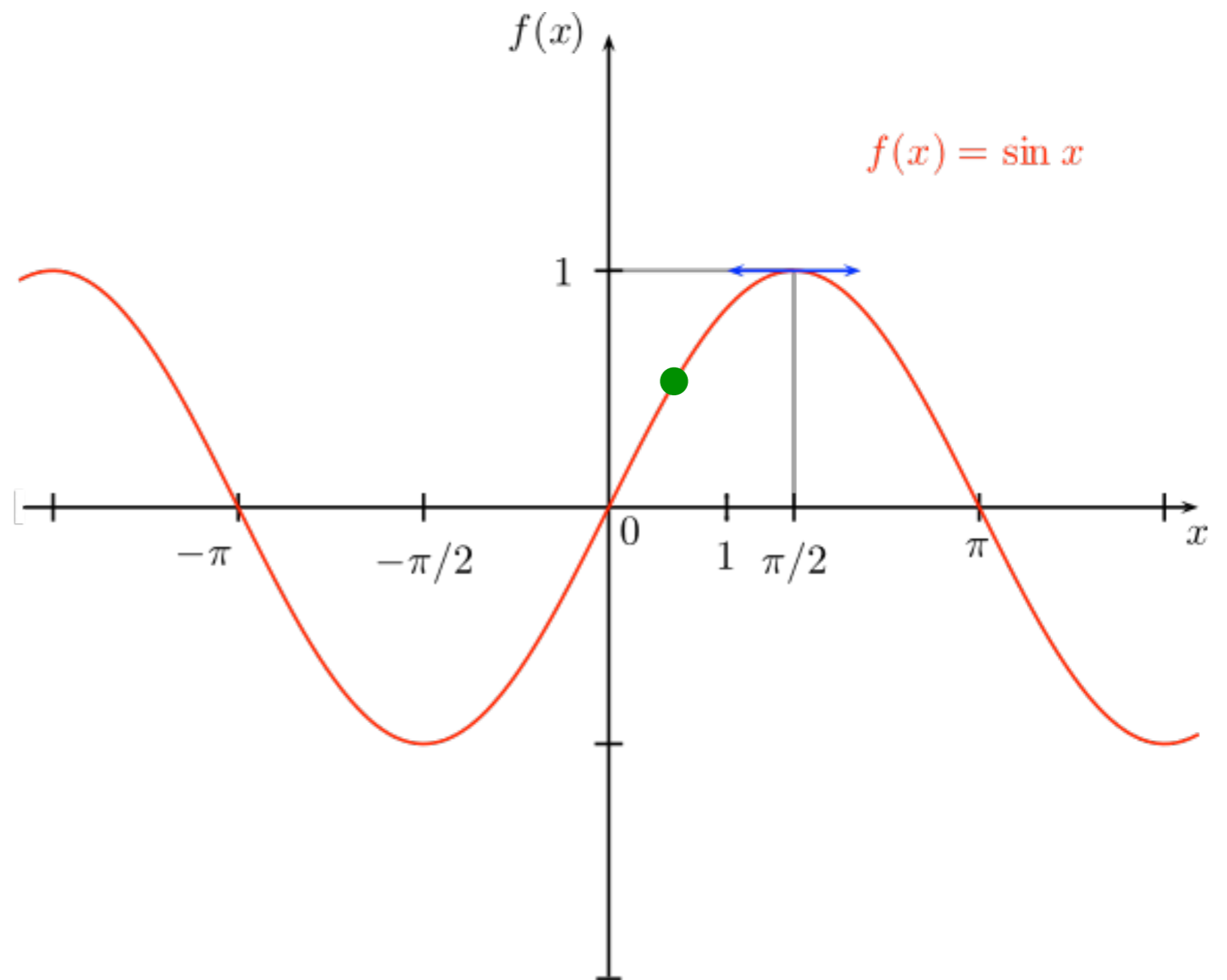
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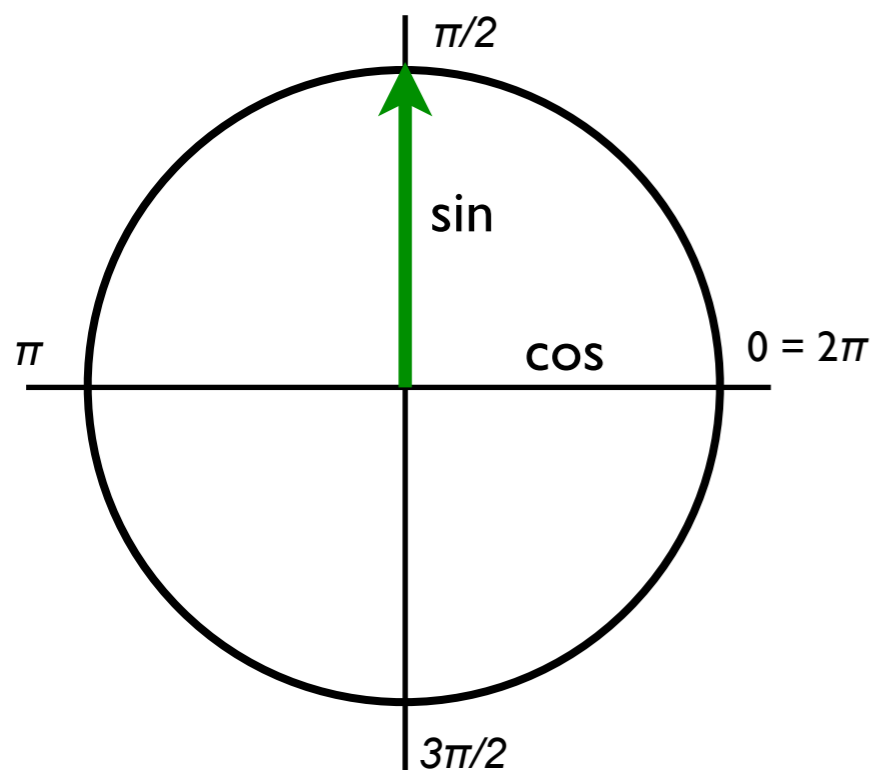
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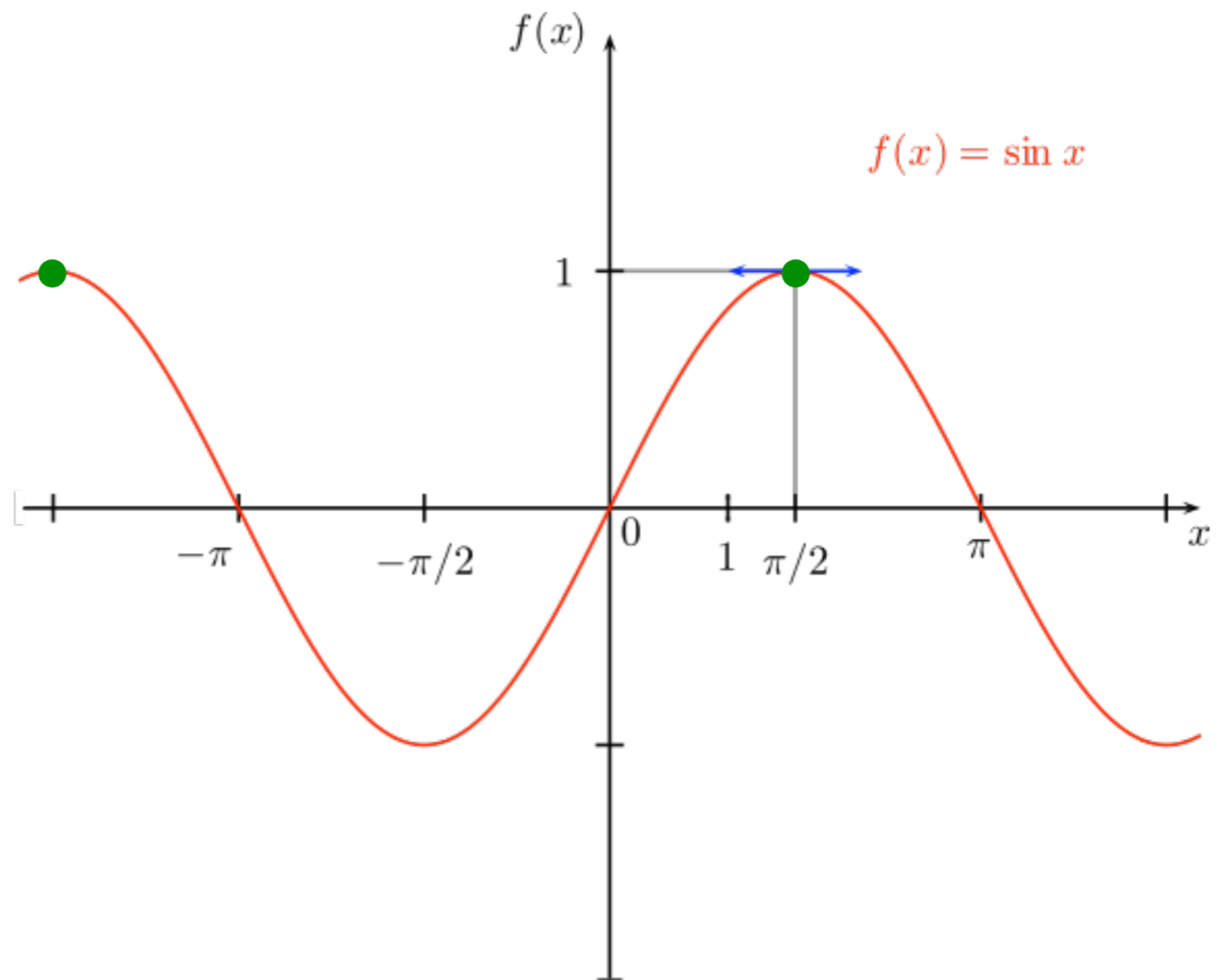
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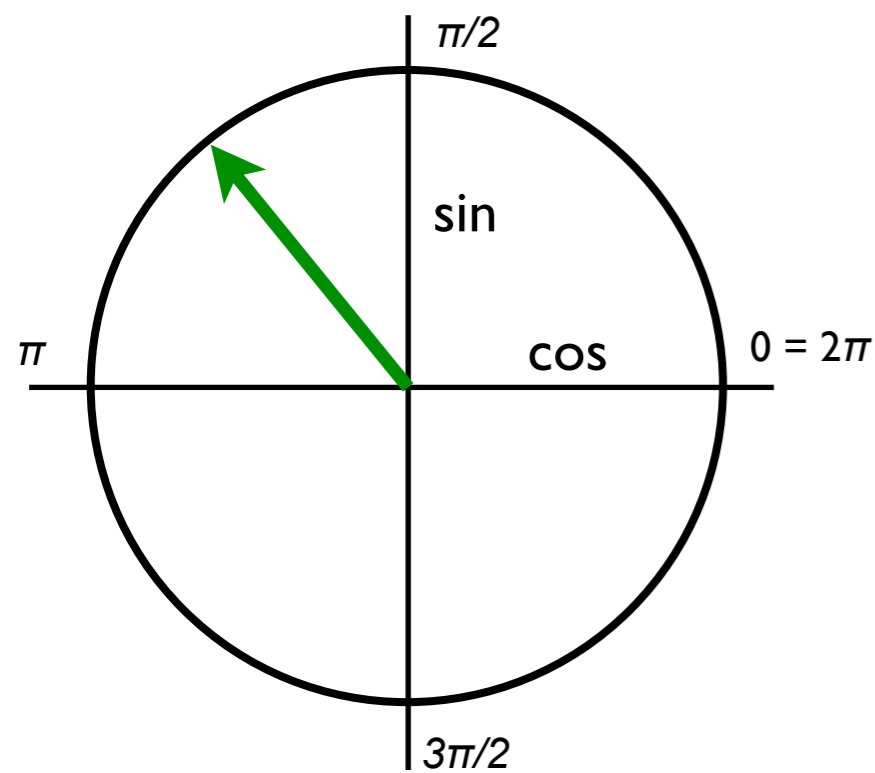
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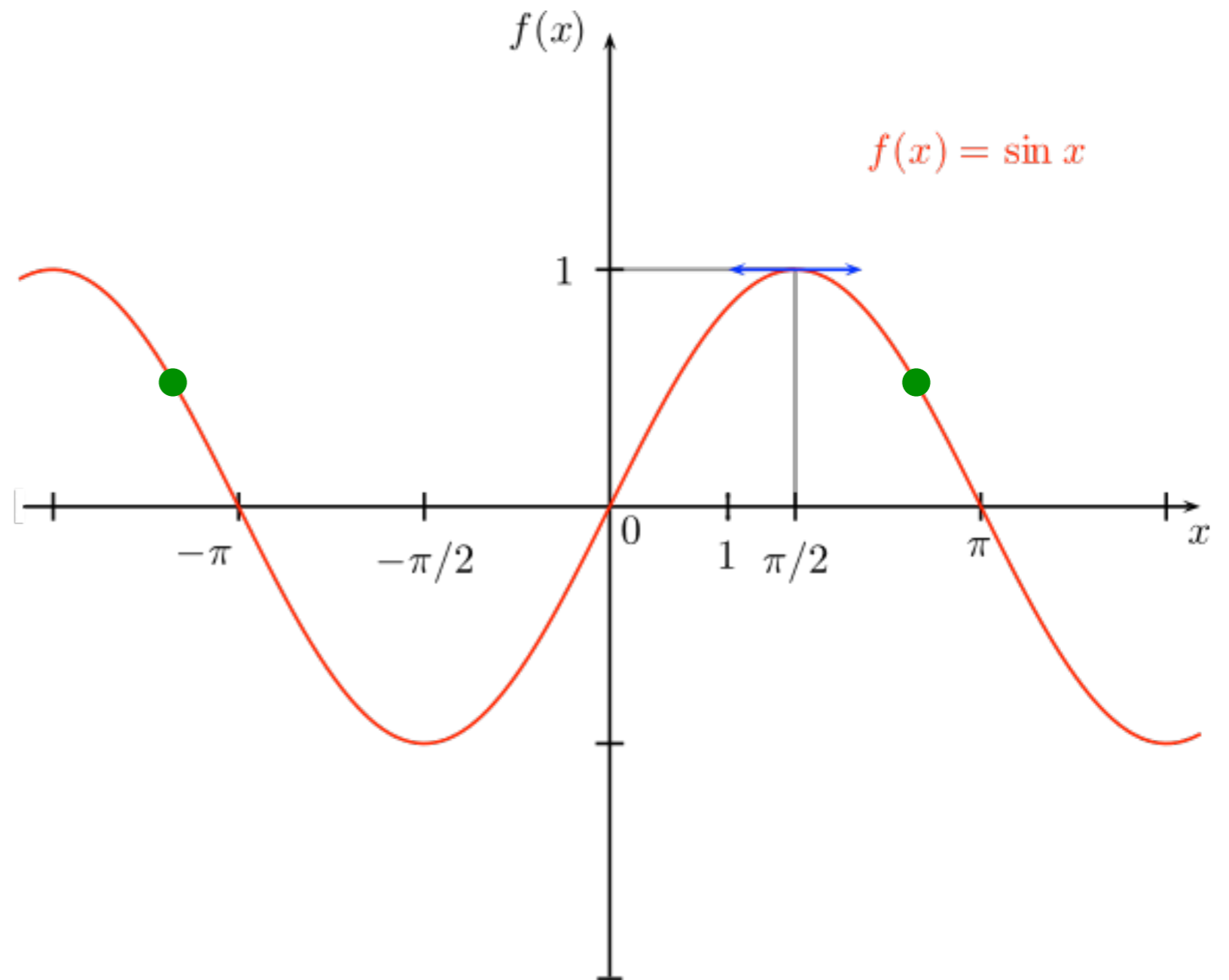
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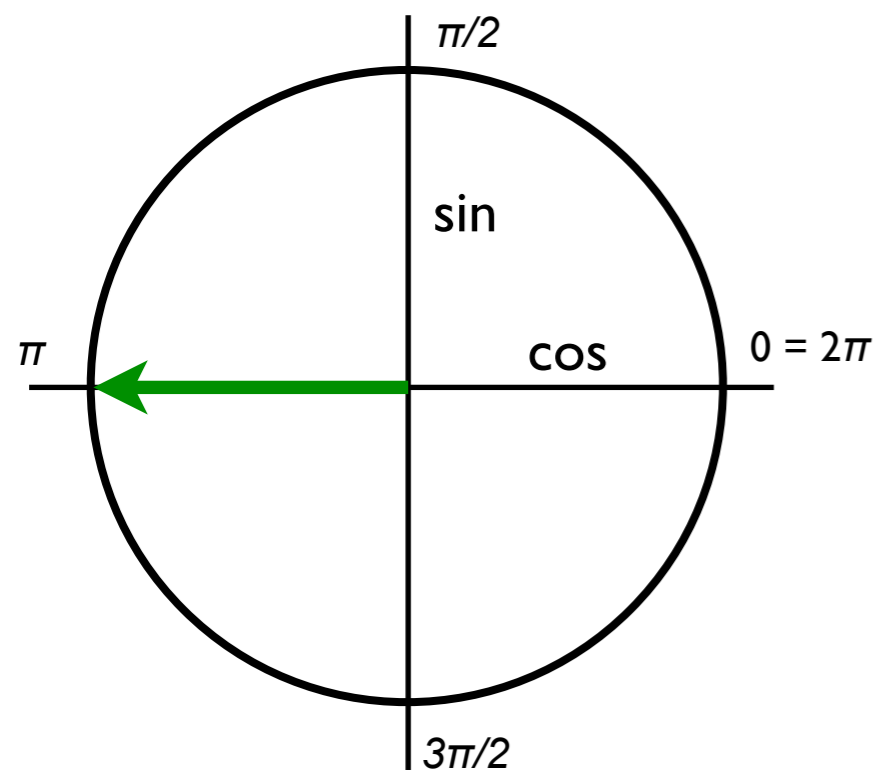
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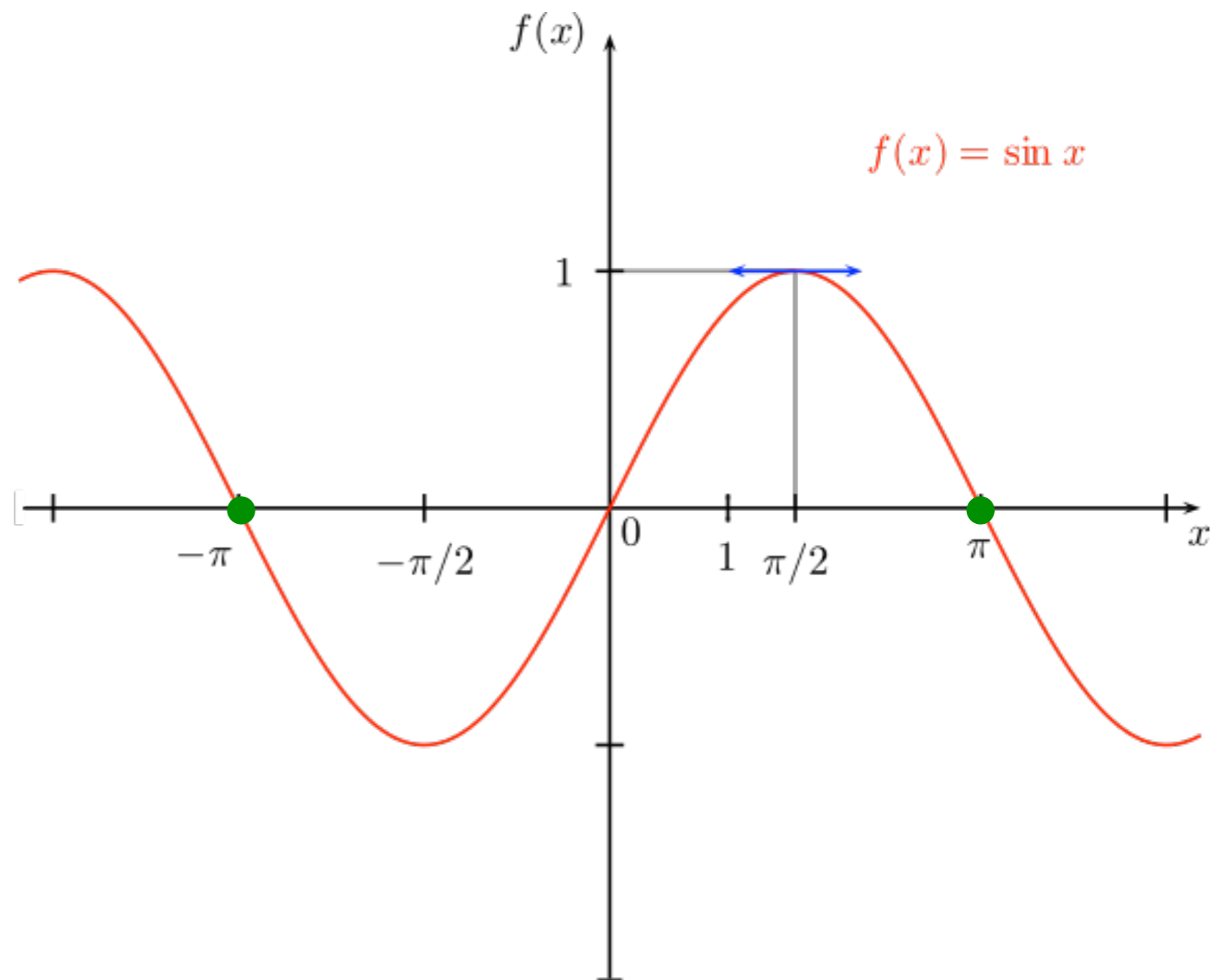
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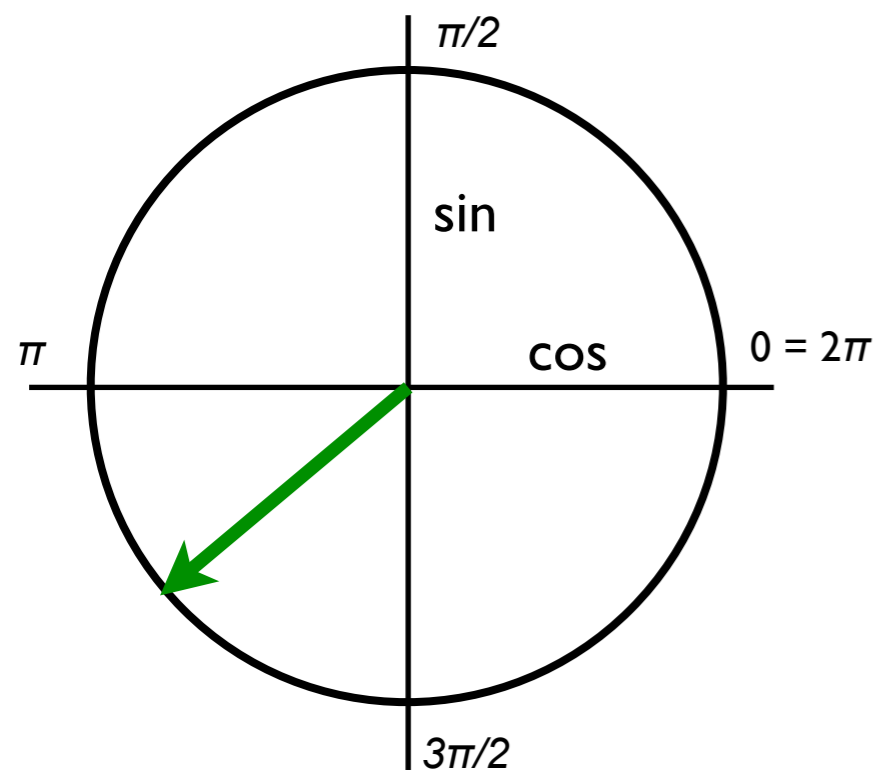
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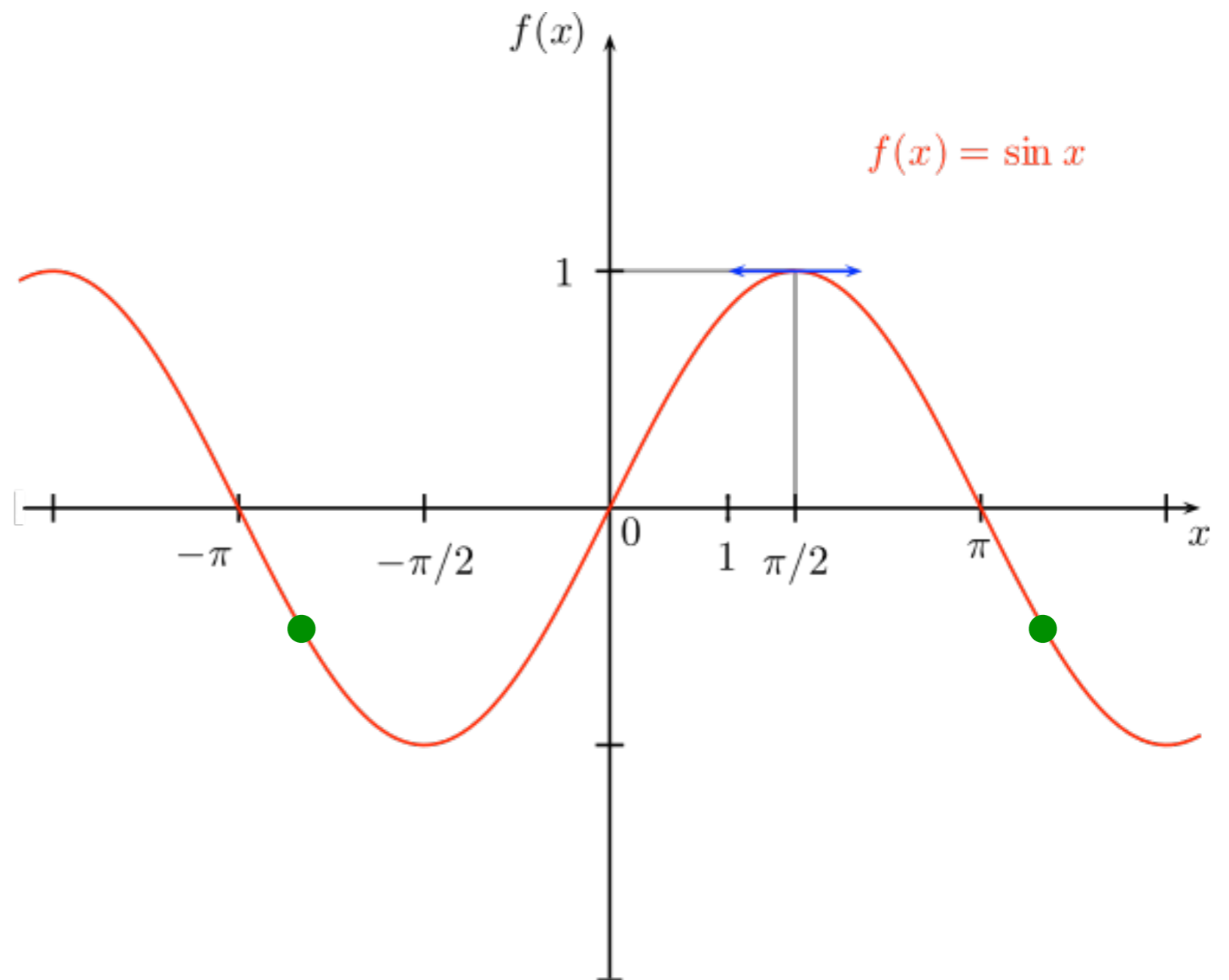
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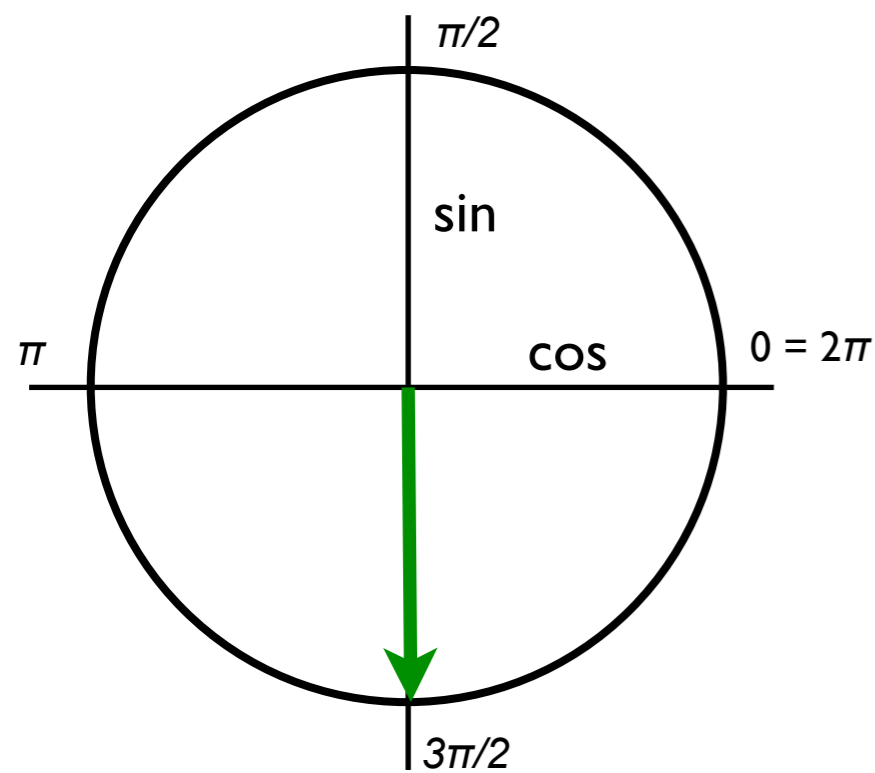
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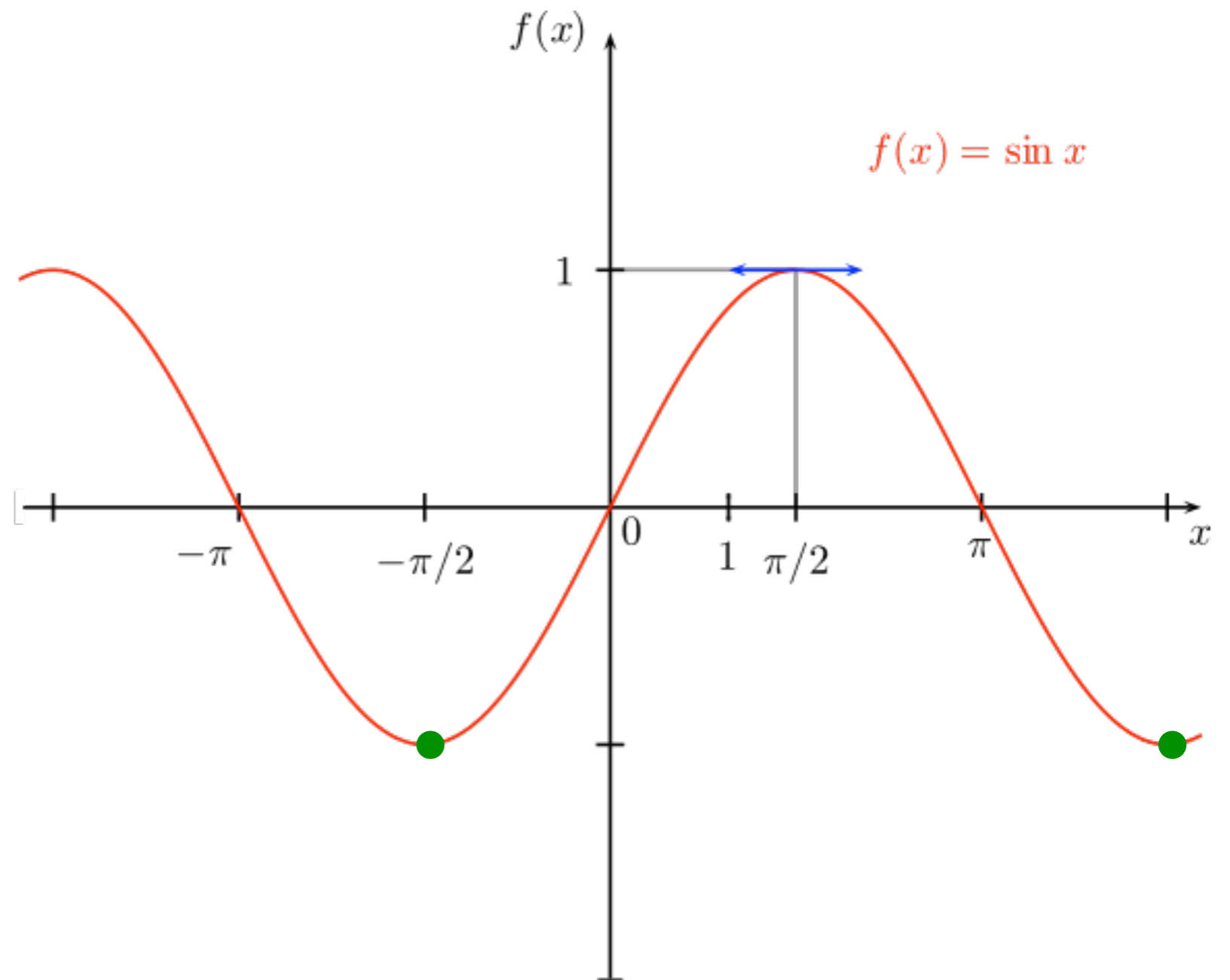
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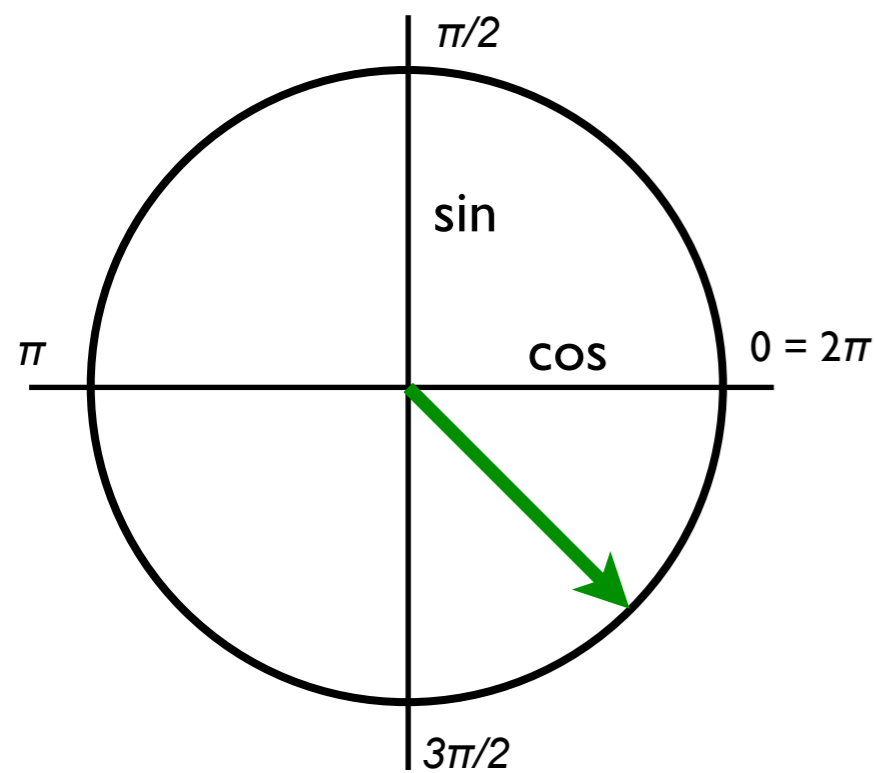
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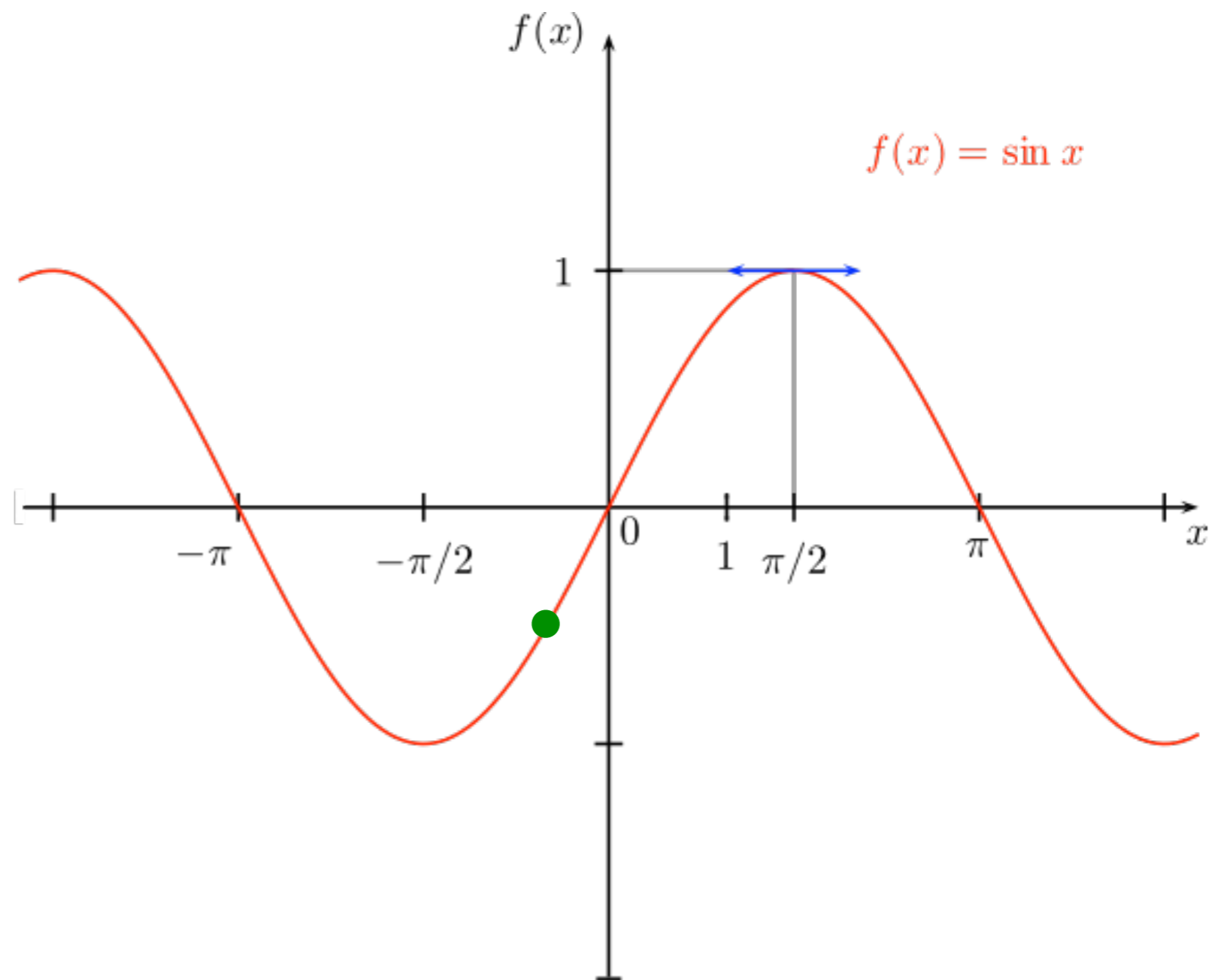
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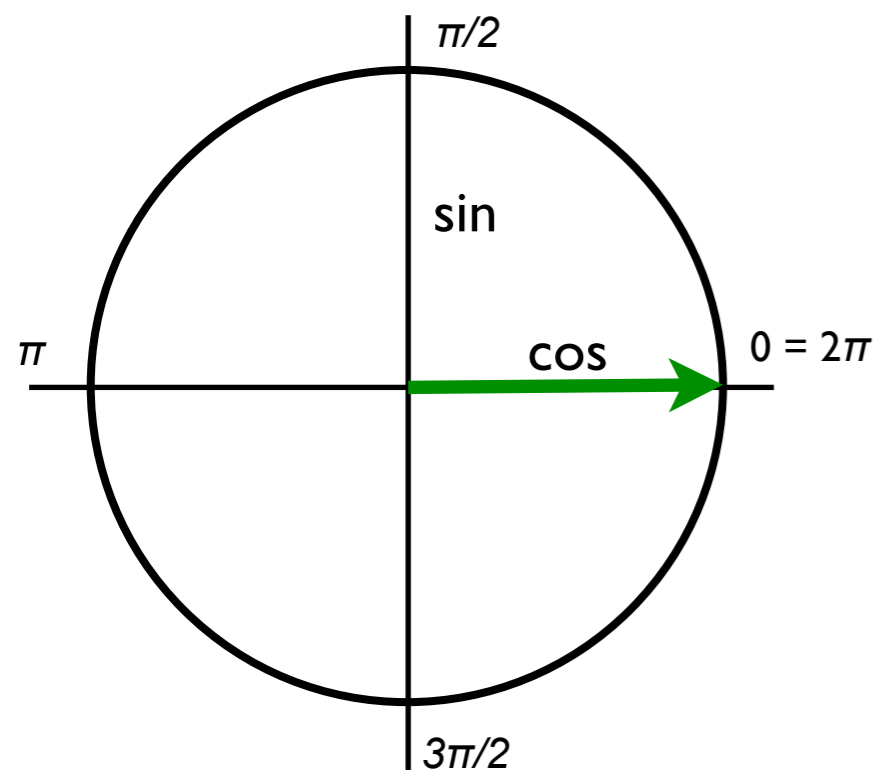
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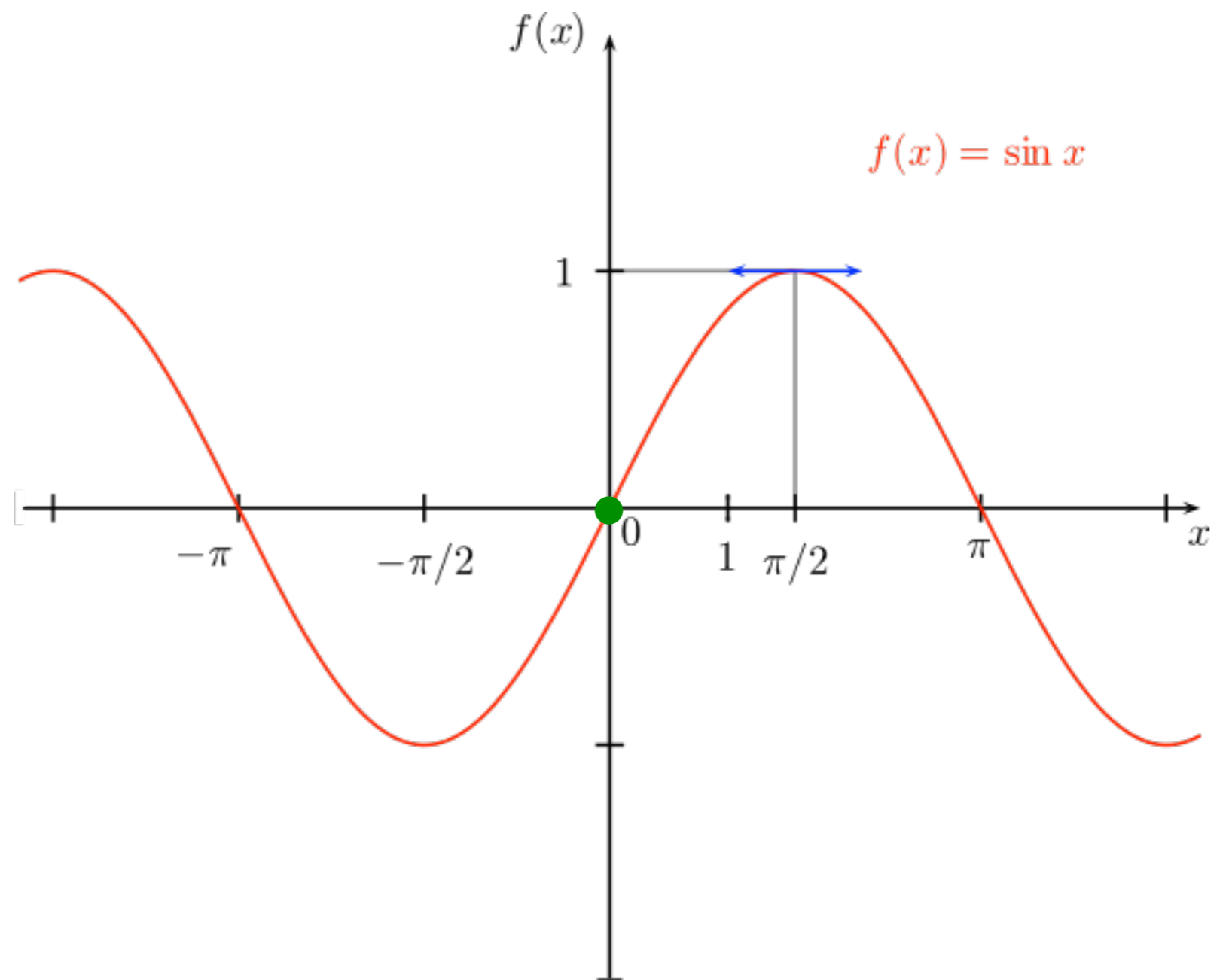
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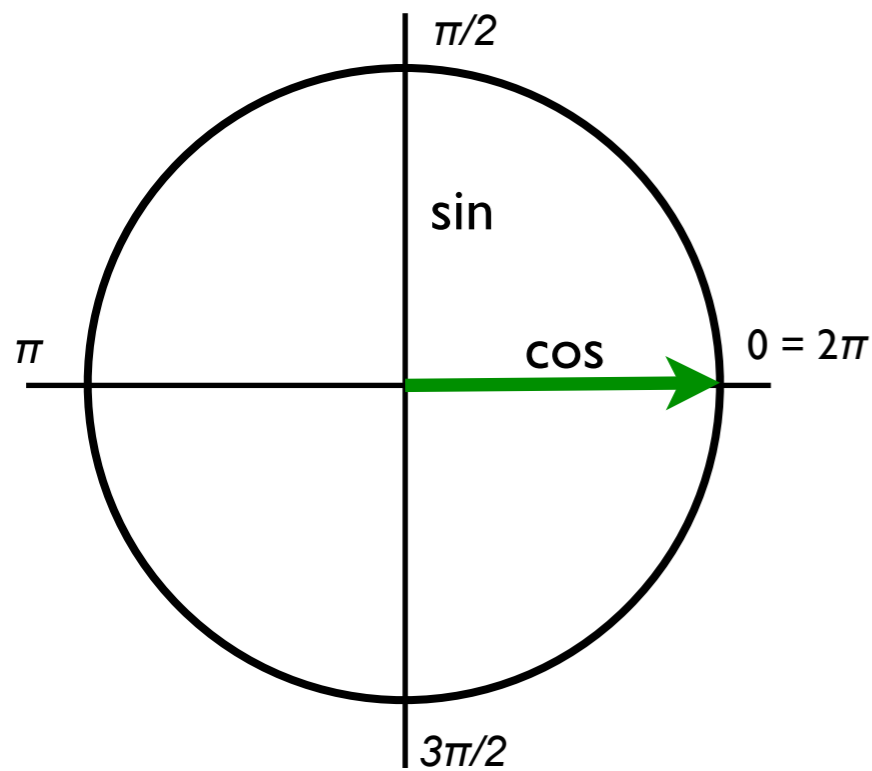
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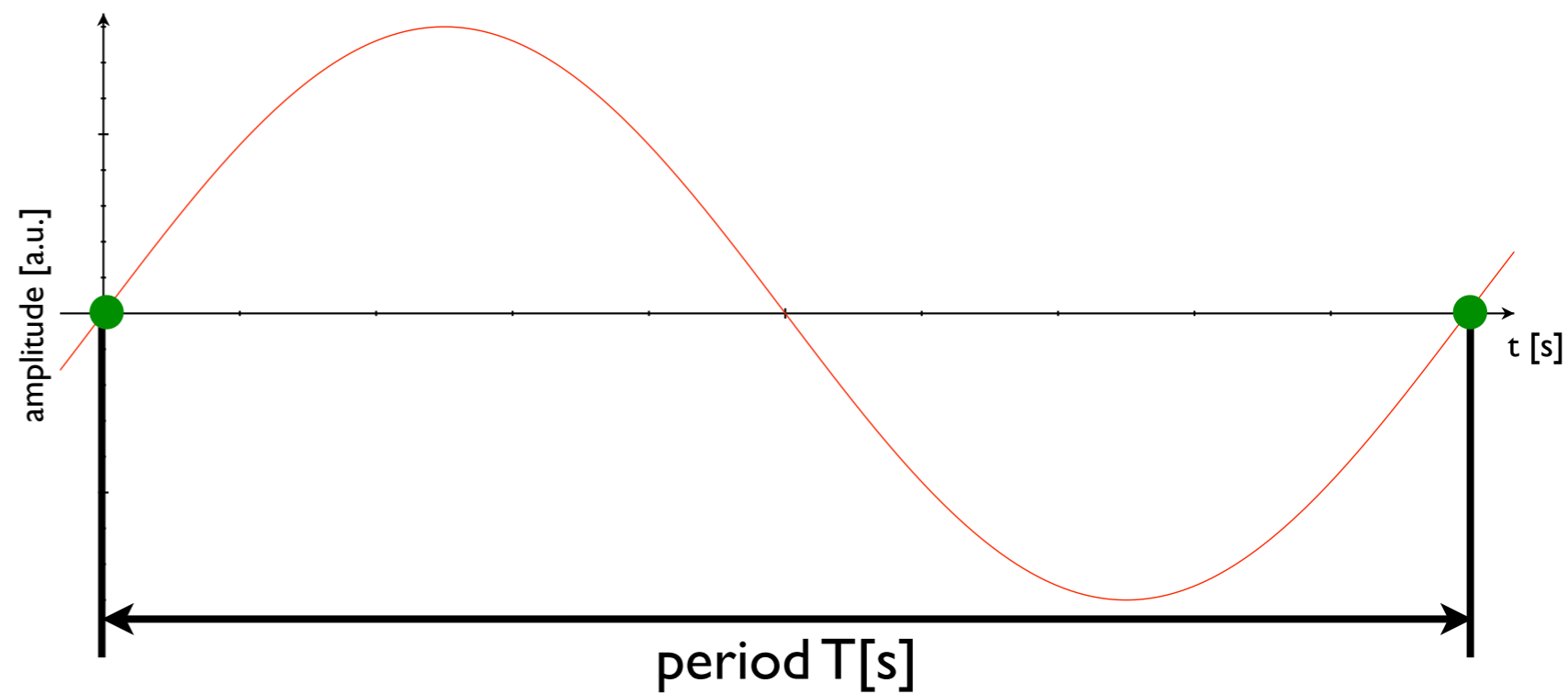
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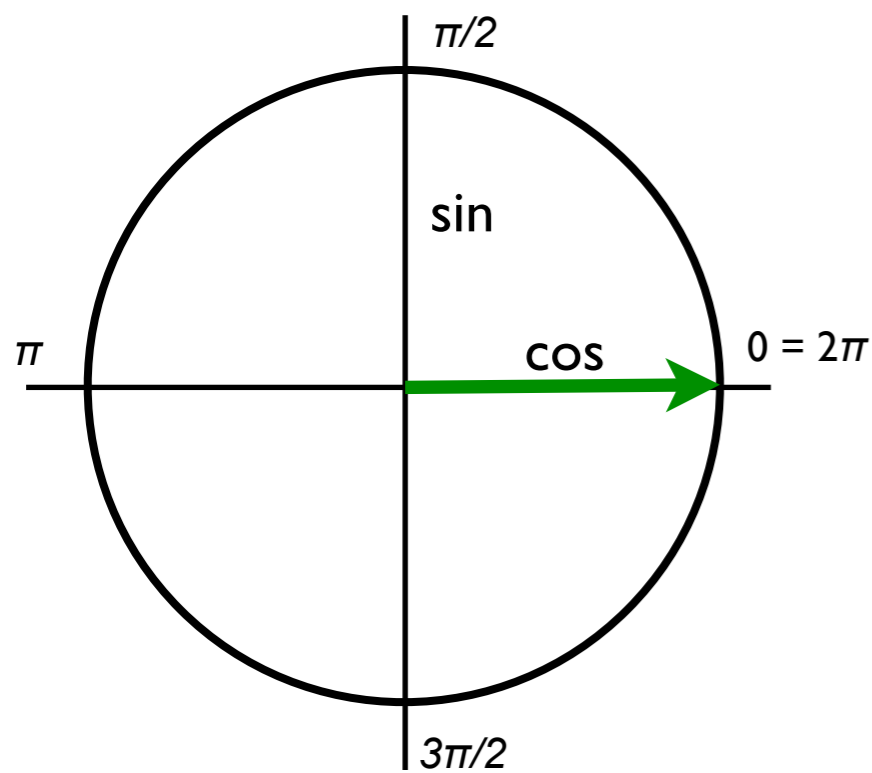
Period and frequency



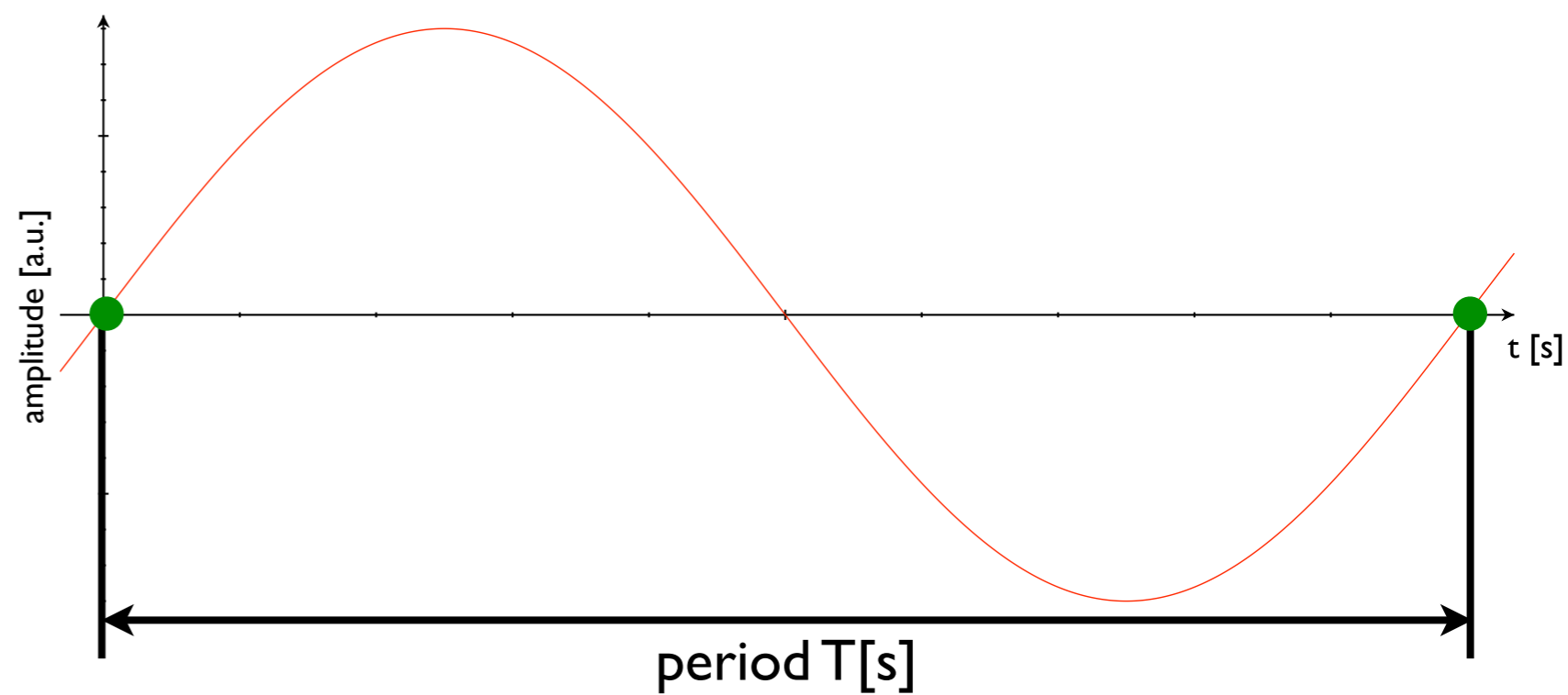
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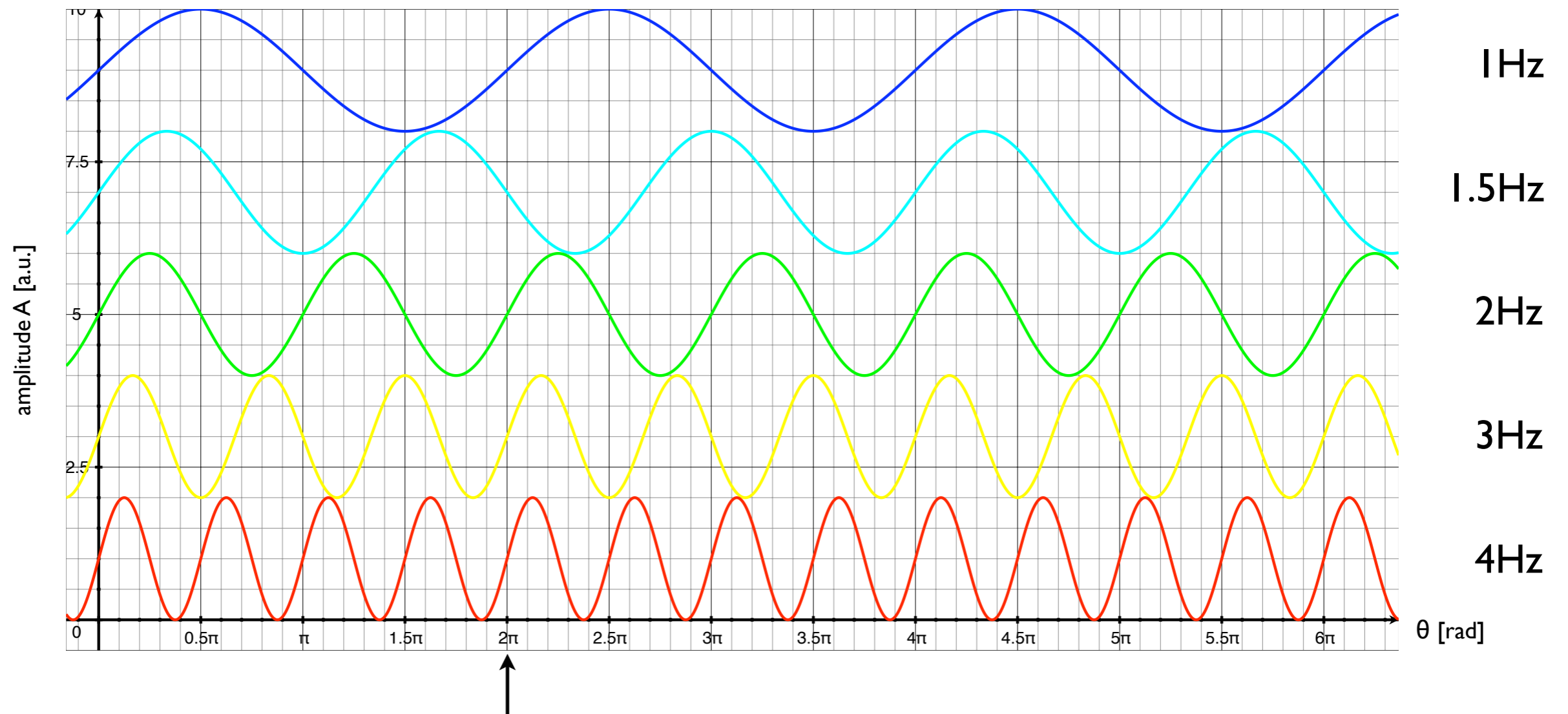


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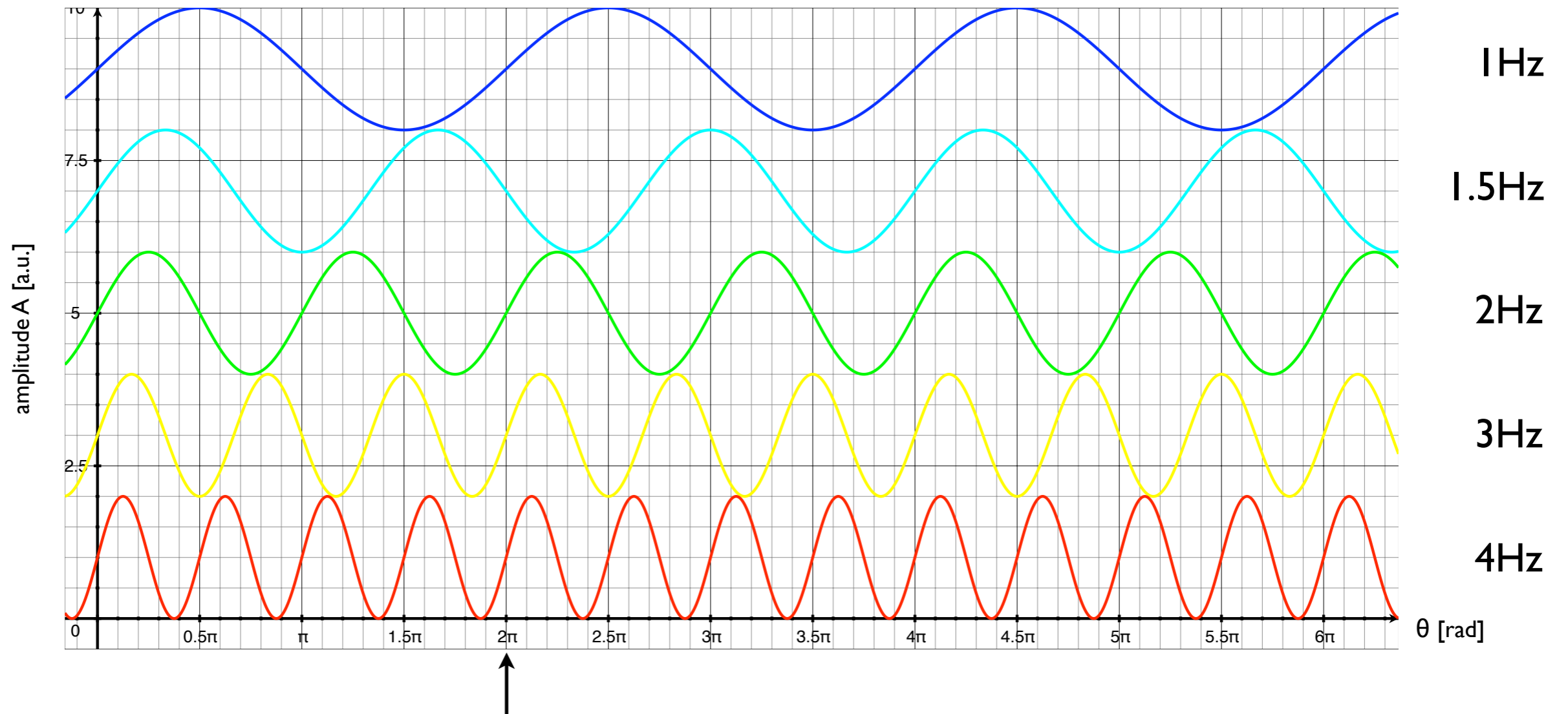


$$f = \frac{1}{T} [Hz]$$

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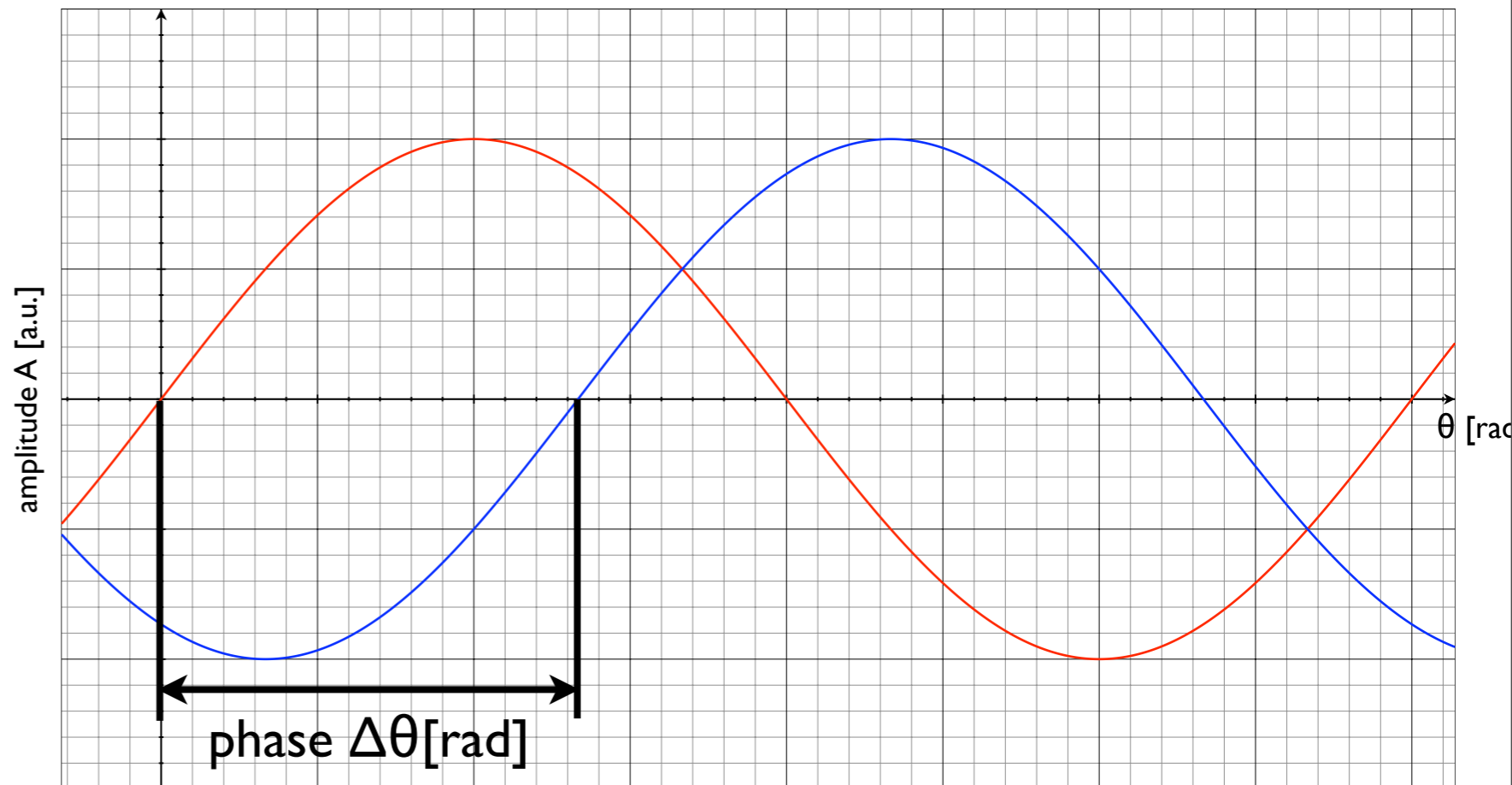
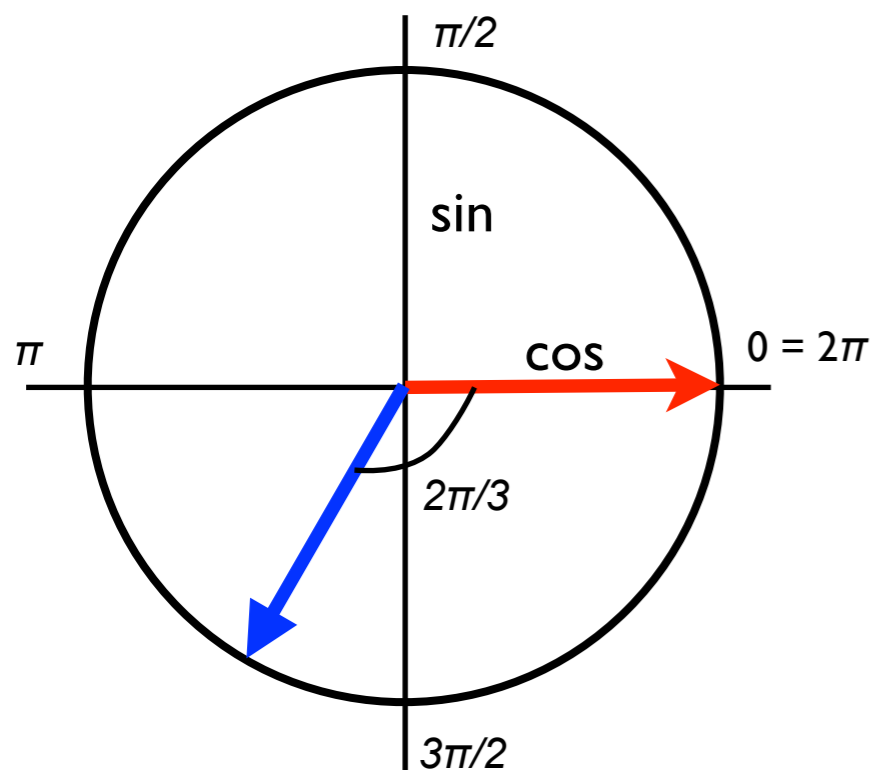


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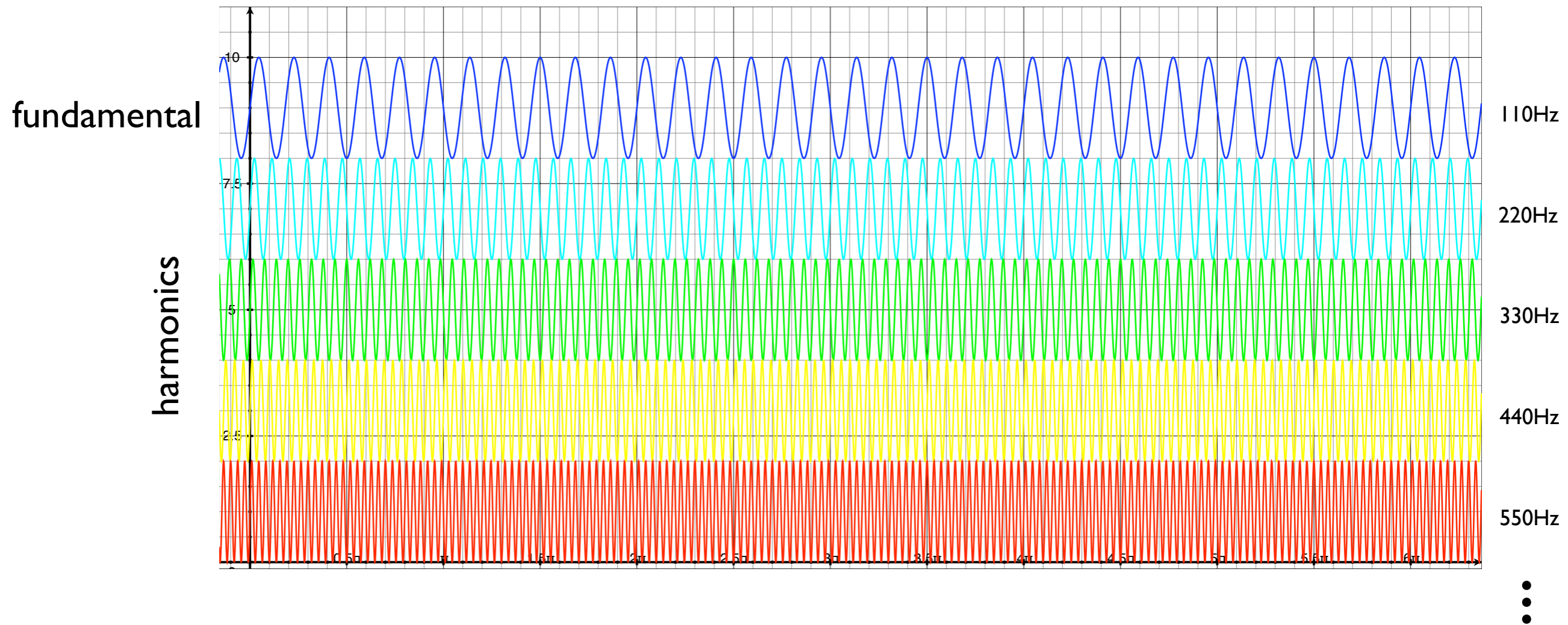


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The Phase Angle



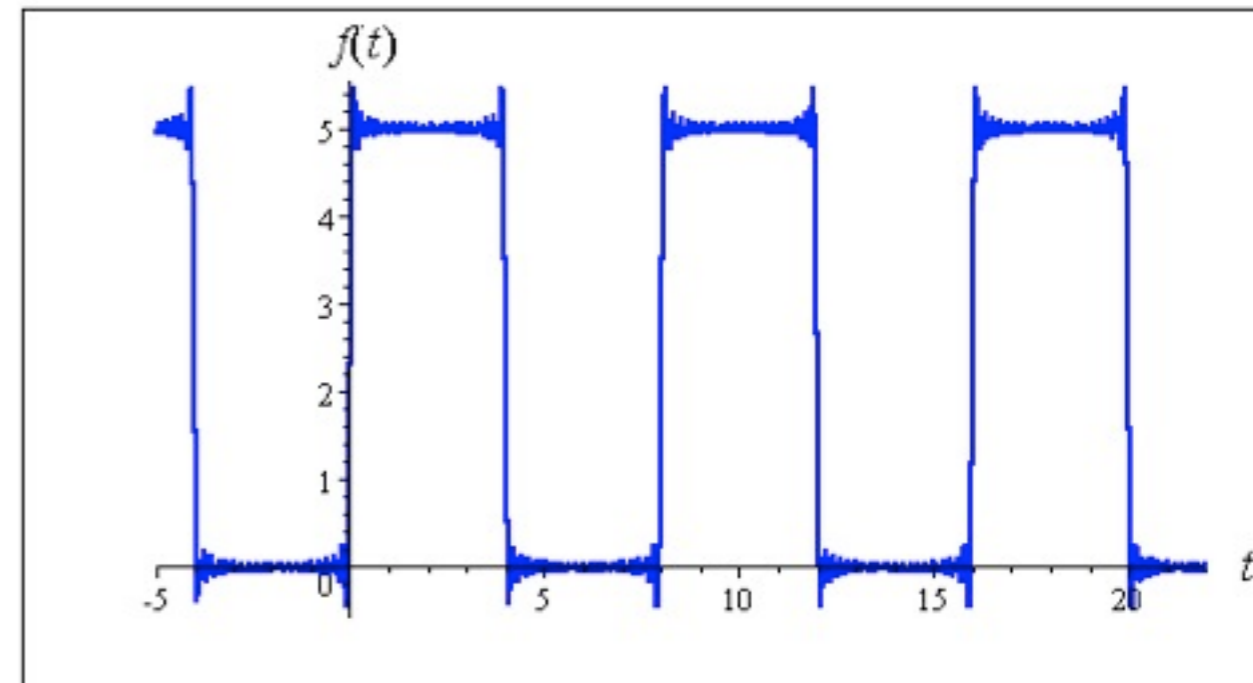
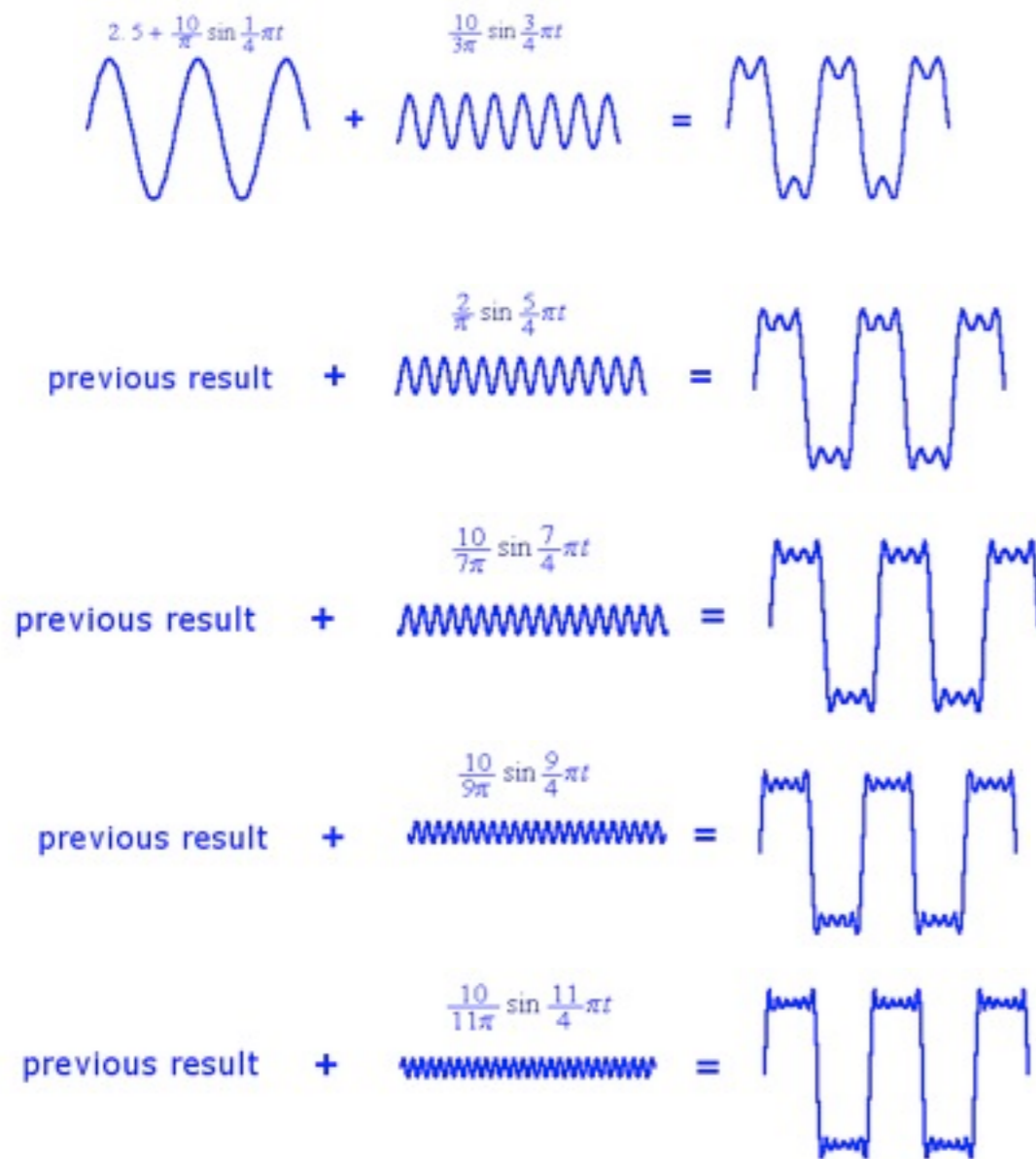
The Harmonics



A **harmonic** of a wave is a component frequency of the signal that is an integer multiple of the fundamental frequency.

For example, if the fundamental frequency is f , the harmonics have frequencies f , $2f$, $3f$, $4f$, etc

Building a square wave



$$2.5 + \frac{10}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{20} \frac{1}{(2n-1)} \sin \frac{(2n-1)\pi t}{4}$$

A square wave is based on n harmonics!

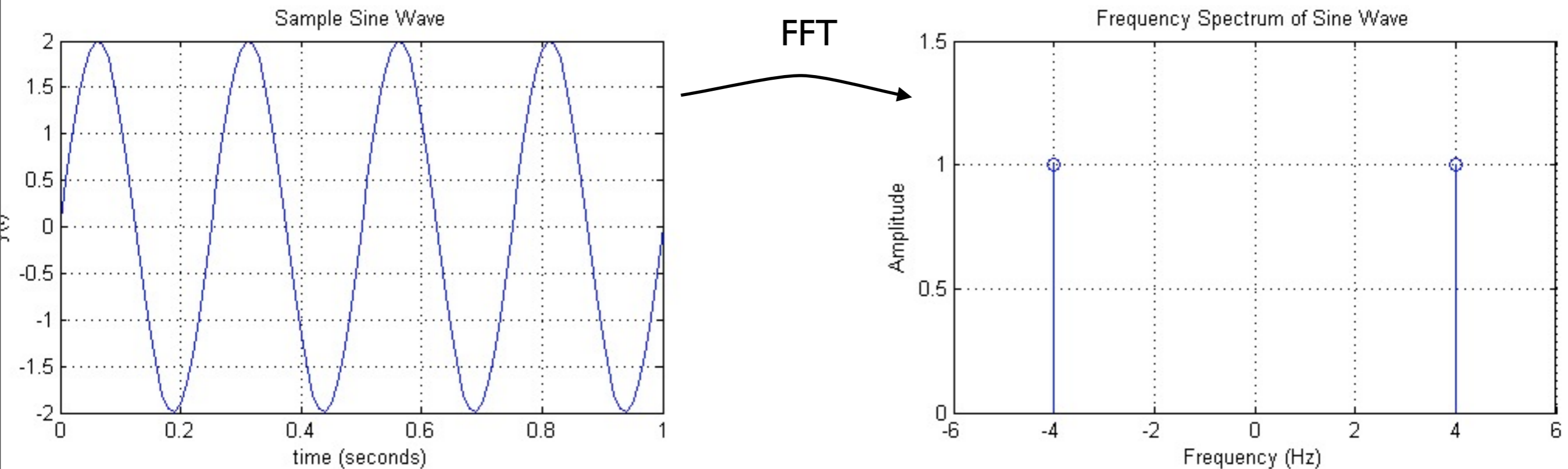
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$$\text{SquarewaveApprox} = \sum_{n=0}^{10} \frac{1}{(2 \cdot n + 1)} \cdot \sin((2n + 1) \cdot \pi)$$

**Approximated in "Audacity" using
a base frequency of 60 Hz, or
 $\sin(377x)$ for $n=0$**

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y6crWlxKB_E

The Spectrum



The Fourier Transform

We can represent a function either in the time domain or the frequency domain. It is the Fourier transform which converts between the two representations. The Fourier transform is defined by the expression:

$$F(\omega) = \int f(t)e^{-i\omega t} dt$$

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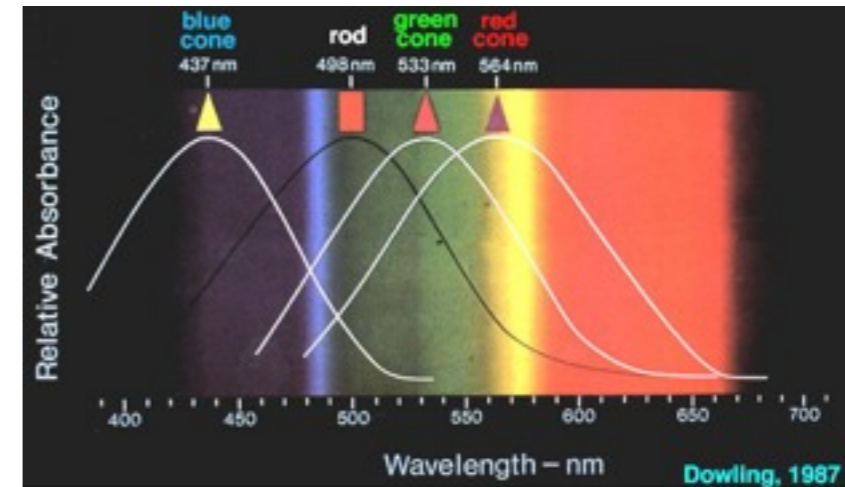
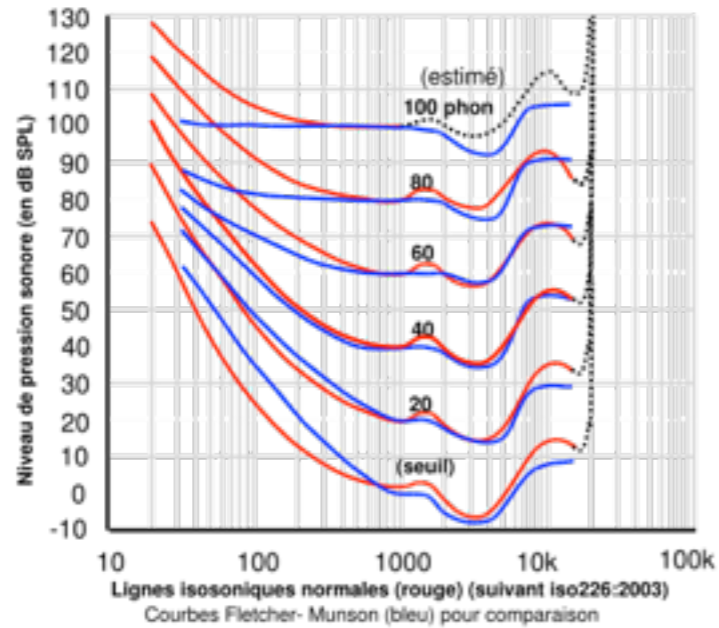


Fig. 14. The peak spectral sensitivities of the the 3 cone types and the the rods in the primate retina (Brown and Wald, 1963). From Dowling's book (1987).

$$\lambda = c * T = \frac{c}{f}$$

