

Financial Mathematics

Numbers and sets of numbers

Factorial notation

Def'n: $0! = 1$

\forall integers $n \geq 1$,

$$n! = n(n-1)(n-2) \cdots (3)(2)(1)$$

" n factorial"

e.g.:

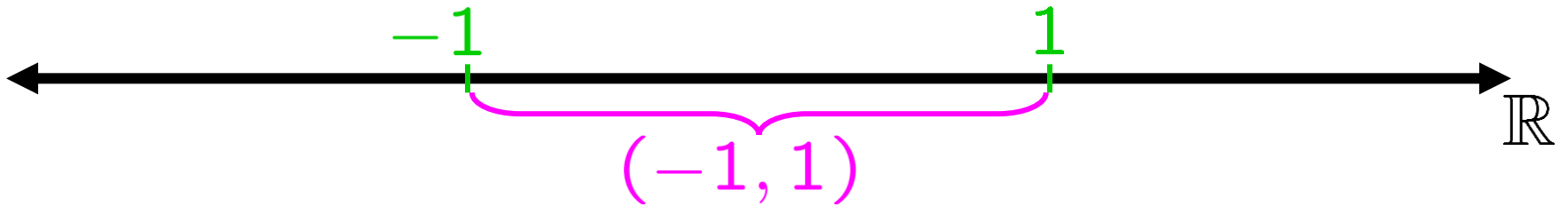
$$\begin{aligned} 1! &= 1, & 2! &= (2)(1) = 2, \\ 3! &= (3)(2)(1) = 6, & 4! &= (4)(3)(2)(1) = 24, \\ 5! &= (5)(4)(3)(2)(1) = 120 \end{aligned}$$



Intervals

“the open interval from -1 to 1 ”

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$\mathbb{R} := \{\text{real numbers}\}$ “=” \longleftrightarrow

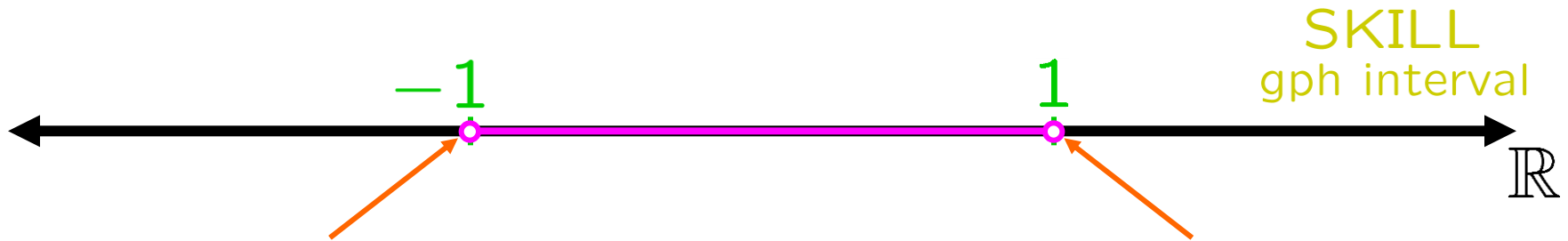
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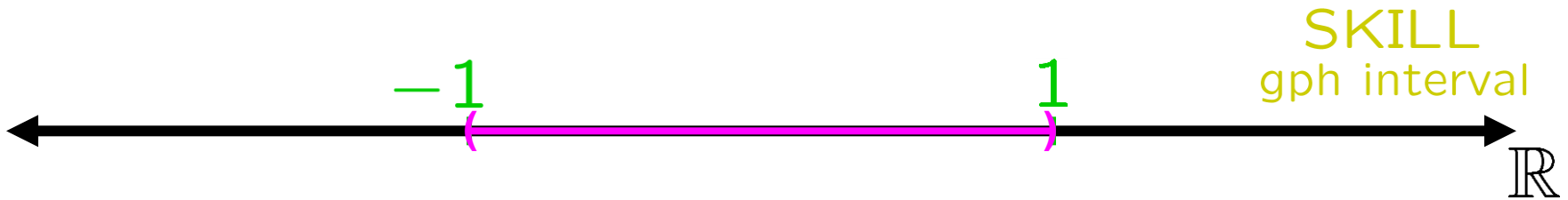
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(finite) numbers

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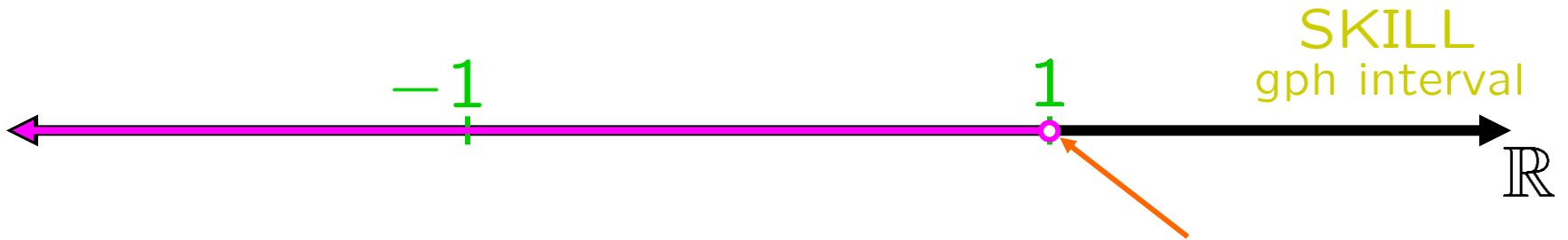
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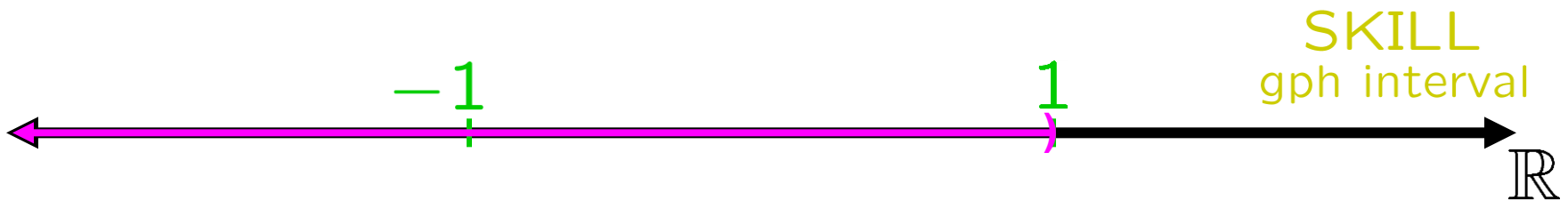


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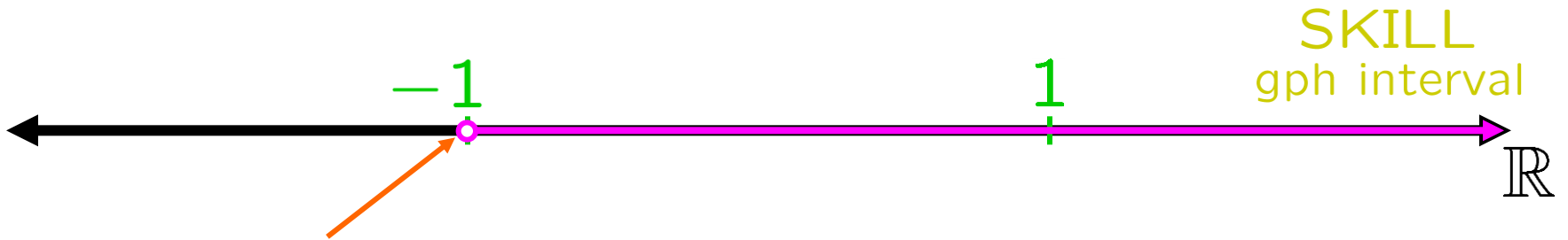
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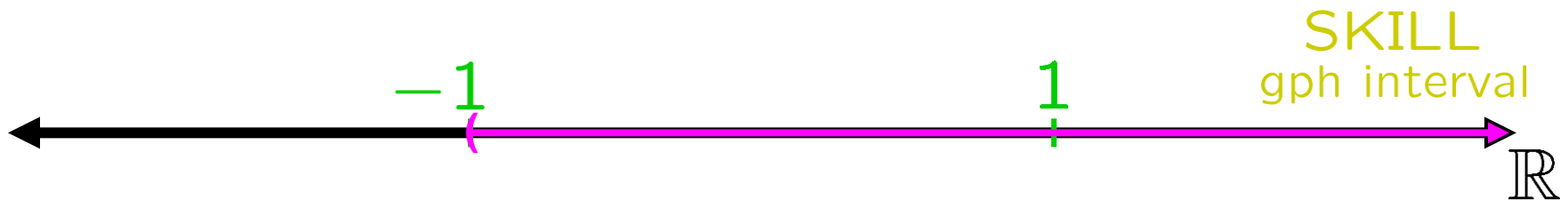


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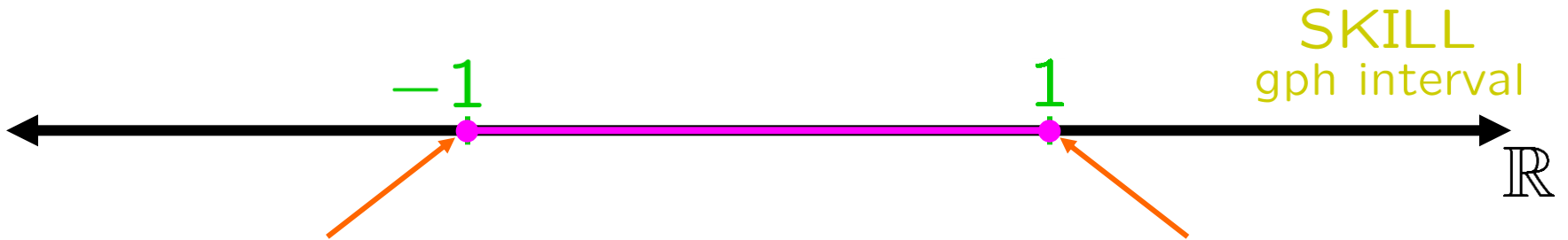
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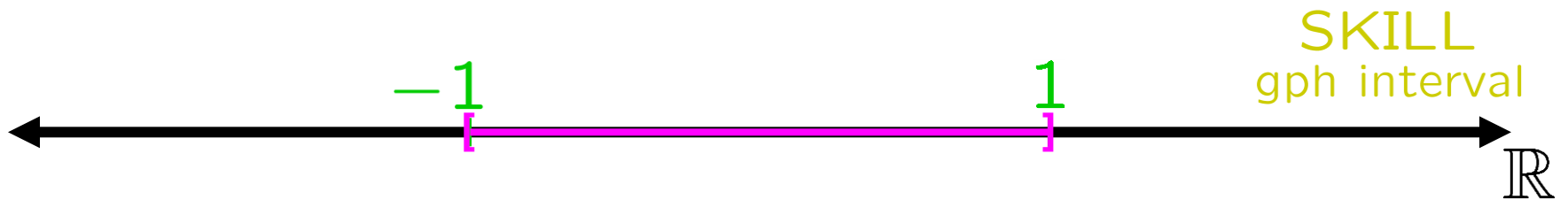


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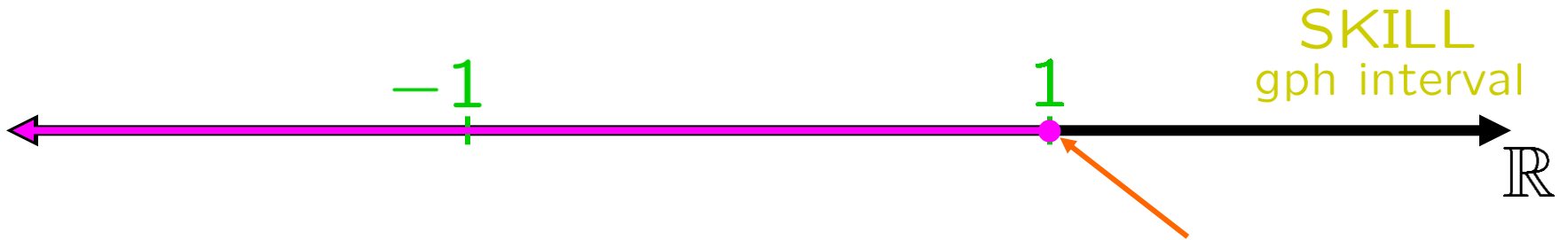
closed, bounded =: **compact**



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Intervals

Intervals of the form $[a, b]$,
with $-\infty < a < b < \infty$,
are said to be **compact**, *i.e.*, closed and bounded.

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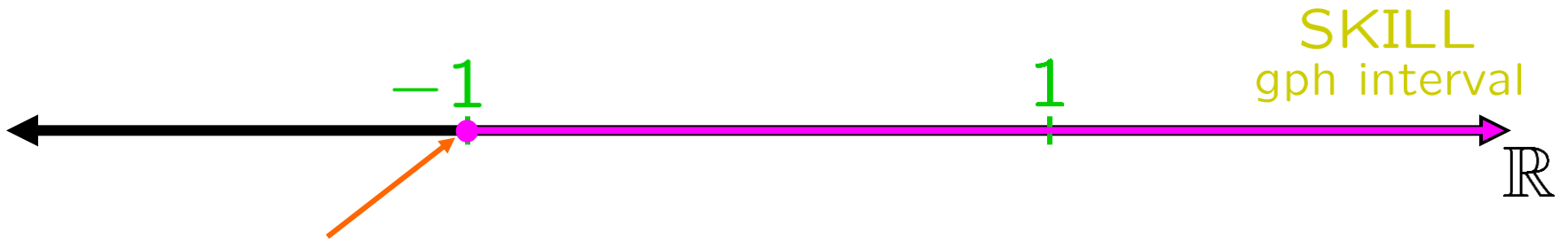
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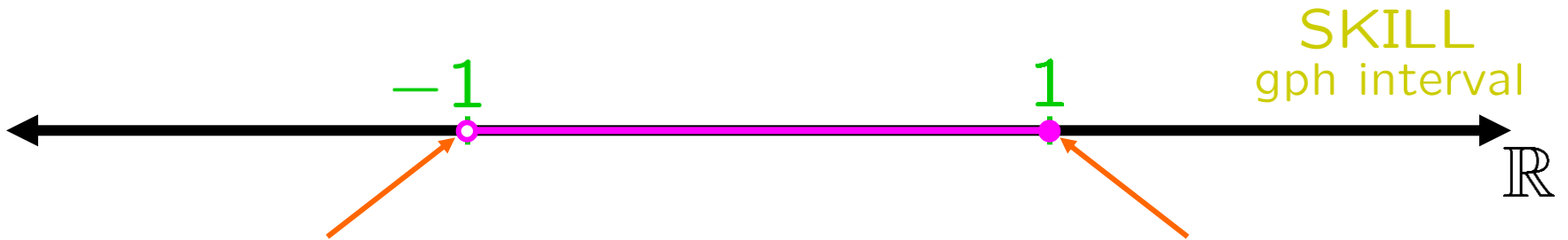
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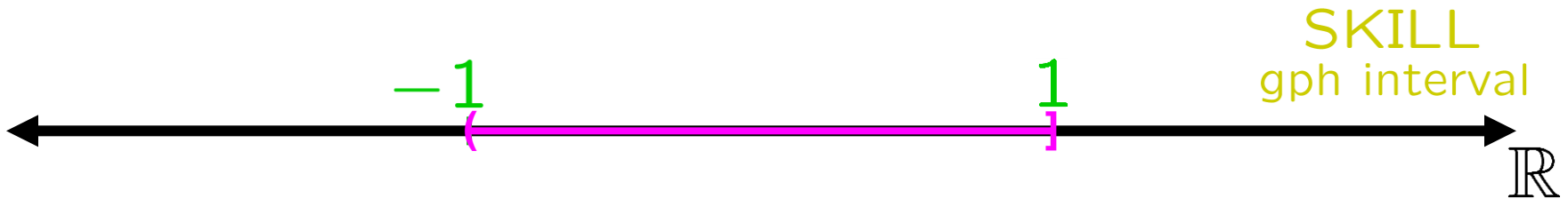


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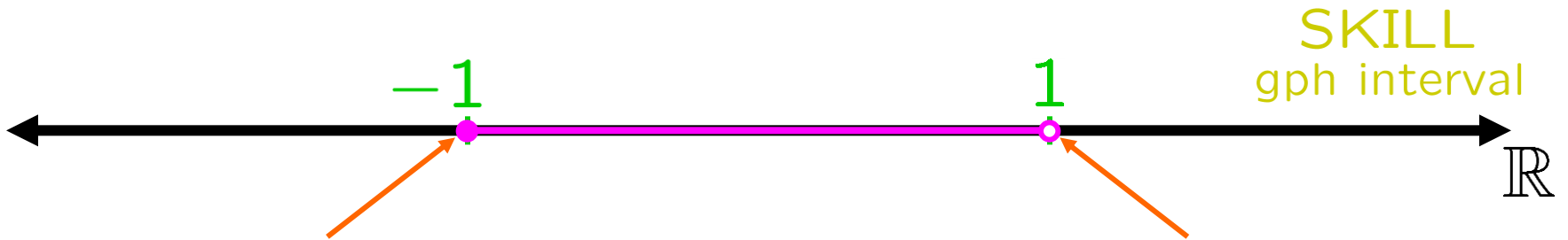
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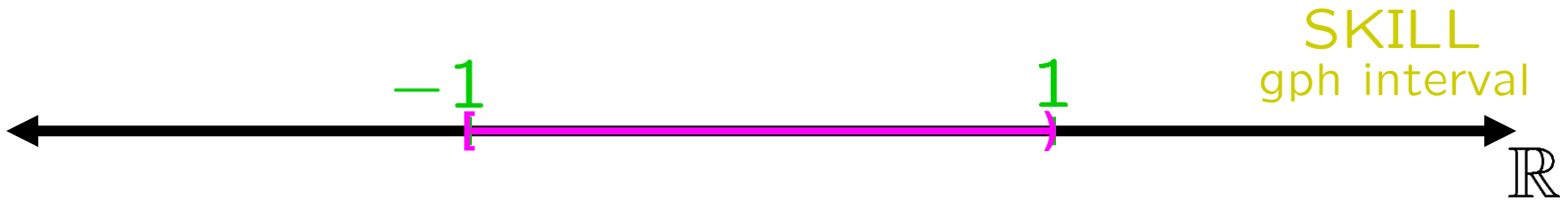


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An interval is **degenerate** if it has only one element.

$$[1, 1] = \{1\}$$

CLOSED, bounded, degenerate
compact

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gph interval



Note: \emptyset is not an interval.

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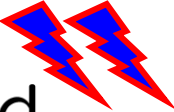
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identify interval:
open, closed, half-open,
bounded, unbounded
degenerate, non-degenerate

Note: Half-open intervals are **neither** open, **nor** closed.

Note: $\mathbb{R} = (-\infty, \infty)$ is **both** open **and** closed. 

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$\mathbb{Z} := \{\text{integers}\} = \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ picture?

$\mathbb{R} := \{\text{real numbers}\}$ **"="** 
 $= \{\text{rationals}\} \cup \{\text{irrationals}\}$

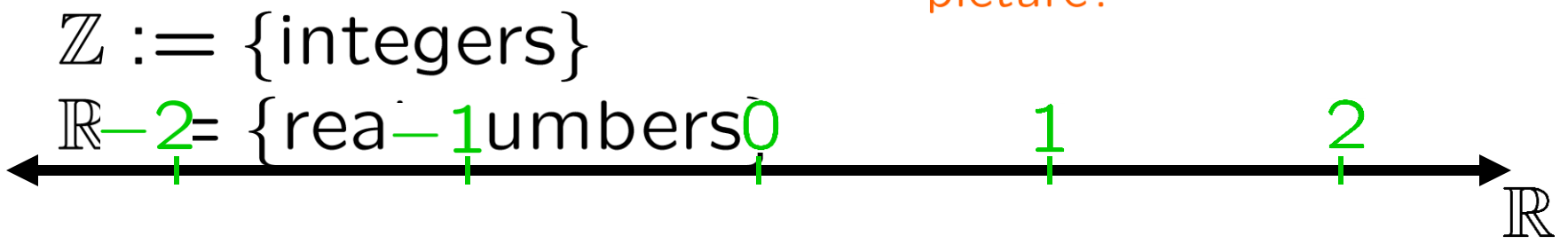
$\mathbb{Q} := \{\text{rational numbers}\}$ picture? 

$\mathbb{C} := \{\text{complex numbers}\}$ **"="** 

$\mathbb{R} := \{\text{real numbers}\}$

$\mathbb{Z} := \{\text{integers}\}$

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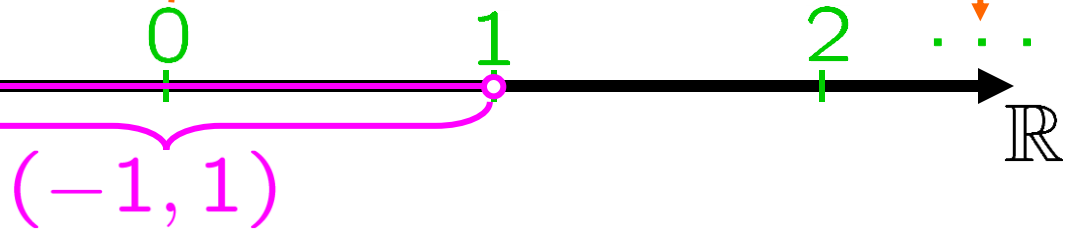
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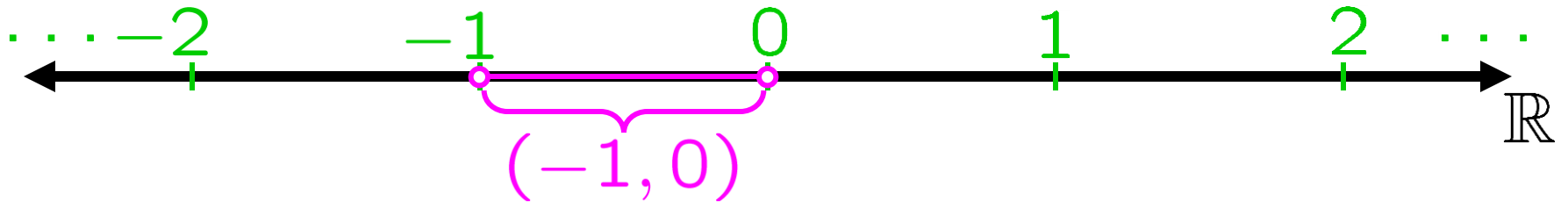
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$$\mathbb{Z} \cap (-1, 0) = \emptyset$$

\mathbb{Z} is disjoint from $(-1, 0)$.

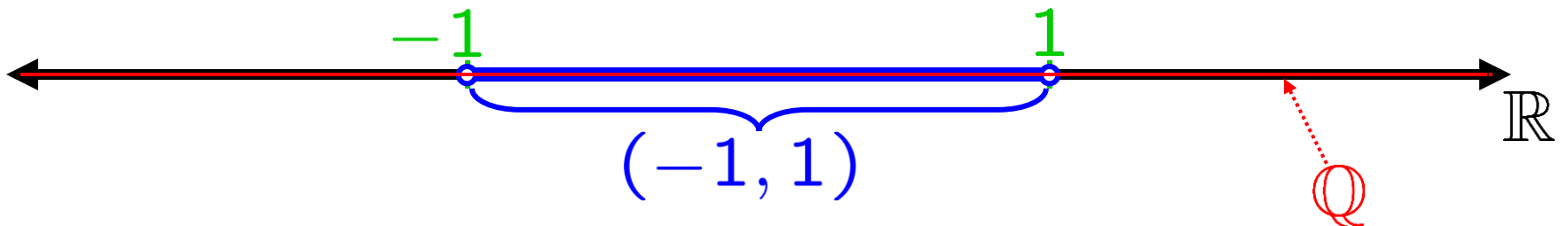


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$\mathbb{Q} := \{\text{rational numbers}\}$ is **dense** in \mathbb{R} .

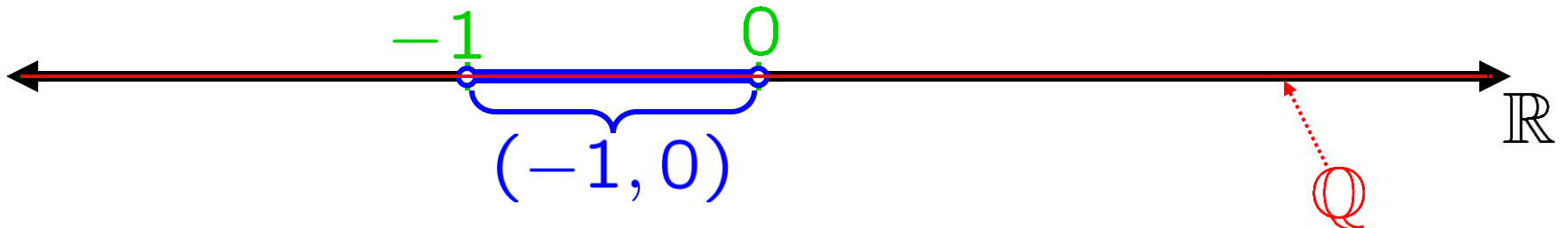
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Picture \mathbb{Q}

has non- \emptyset
intersection
with



meets every
open interval



Extended Real Numbers

Definition:

An **extended real number** is
a real number or $\underbrace{+\infty}_{\infty}$ or $-\infty$.

Definition: $\overline{\mathbb{R}}$:= {extended real numbers}.
 $= \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty, \infty\}$

Note:

For all $s \in \mathbb{R}$, $-\infty < s < \infty$.

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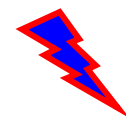
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e.g.: $(0, \infty)$ is an unbounded interval.

$\mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty, \infty\}$

$(0, \infty]$ is an extended interval,
but is not an interval.



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and write $a \leq S$,

if: $\forall s \in S$, we have $a \leq s$.

e.g.: $4 \leq (6, 7]$, $5 \leq (6, 7]$, $6 \leq (6, 7]$



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greatest lower bound

infimum

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e.g.: $9 \geq [6, 7)$, $8 \geq [6, 7)$, $7 \geq [6, 7)$
[6, 7) has no max.



e.g.: $7 = \sup [6, 7)$

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maximum

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Theorem:

Every subset of $\overline{\mathbb{R}}$ has
an inf and a sup (in $\overline{\mathbb{R}}$). 

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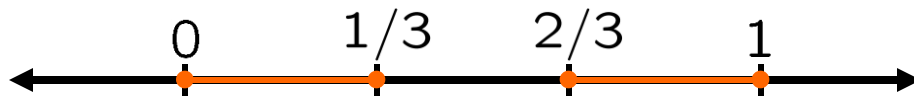
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Note: $\{1/2\} = [1/2, 1/2]$ is an interval.

(Sometimes called a **degenerate** interval.)

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are **not** allowed.

non-e.g.:



$[0, 1/3] \cup [2/3, 1]$ is **not** an interval,
although it is a finite union of intervals.

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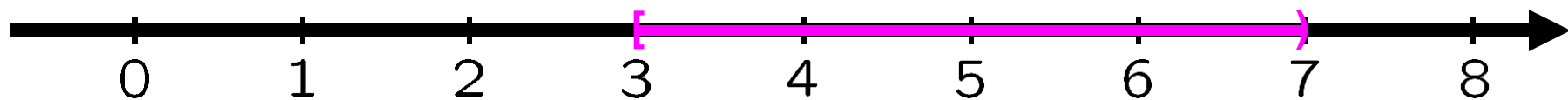
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e.g.: $|[3, 7)| = 7 - 3 = 4$
 $[3, \infty)$?



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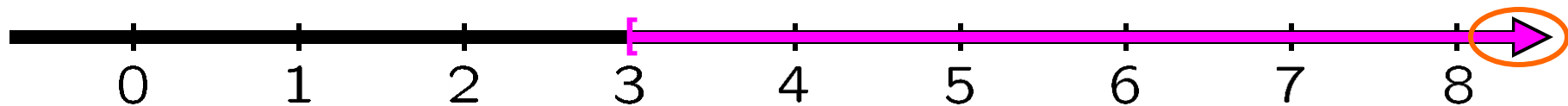
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For intervals, **bounded** \Leftrightarrow **finite length**



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the **measure** of $I_1 \amalg \dots \amalg I_n$

\forall integers $j, k \in [1, n]$,
if $j \neq k$, then $I_j \cap I_k = \emptyset$.

e.g.:

$$|[0, 1/3] \amalg [3/4, 7/8]| = |[0, 1/3]| + |[3/4, 7/8]| = (1/3) + (1/8) = 11/24$$

Warning: ~~\amalg~~

$$|[0, 2/3] \cup [1/3, 1]| \neq |[0, 2/3]| + |[1/3, 1]|$$

not disjoint



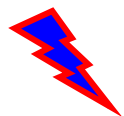
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measure of a fUofI

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express a fUofI as a
finite **DISJOINT** union of intervals

$[0, 1]$

$$1 = |[0, 2/3] \cup [1/3, 1]| \neq |[0, 2/3]| + |[1/3, 1]|$$

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$$\forall P \in \mathcal{P},$$

P is an interval.

Definition: A **partition** of a set S is a set \mathcal{P} of subsets of S such that

both $\bigcup_{P \in \mathcal{P}} P = S$

and $\forall P, Q \in \mathcal{P}, (P \neq Q \Rightarrow P \cap Q = \emptyset)$.

e.g.: $\{ \{1\}, \{2, 3, 5\}, \{4, 6\} \}$
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