

Accelerating black holes in higher-derivative theories of gravity

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But first, a quick review

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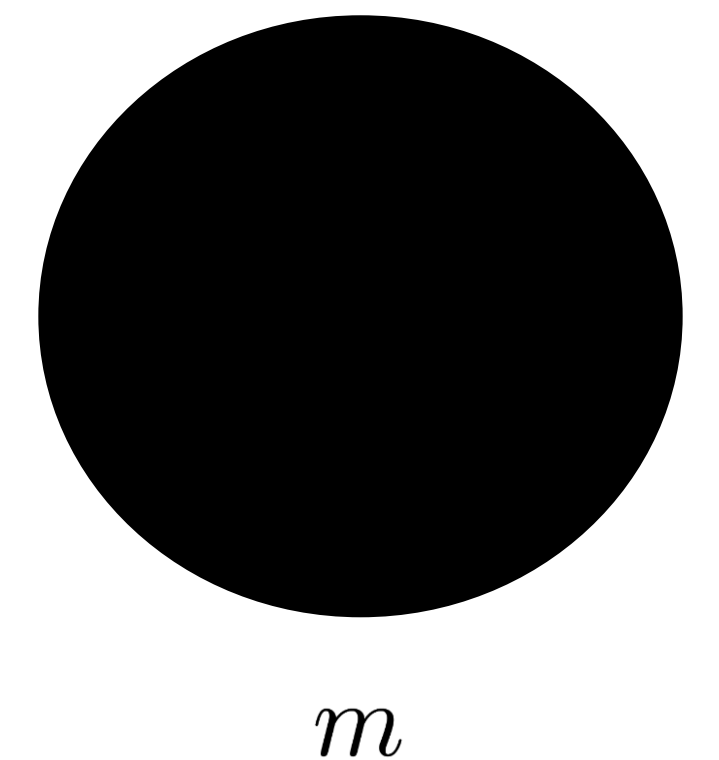
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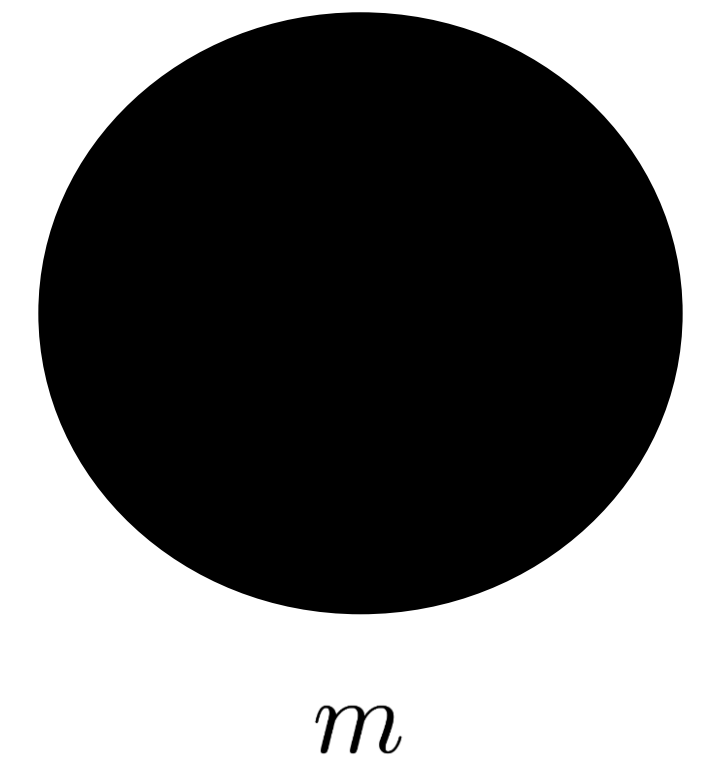
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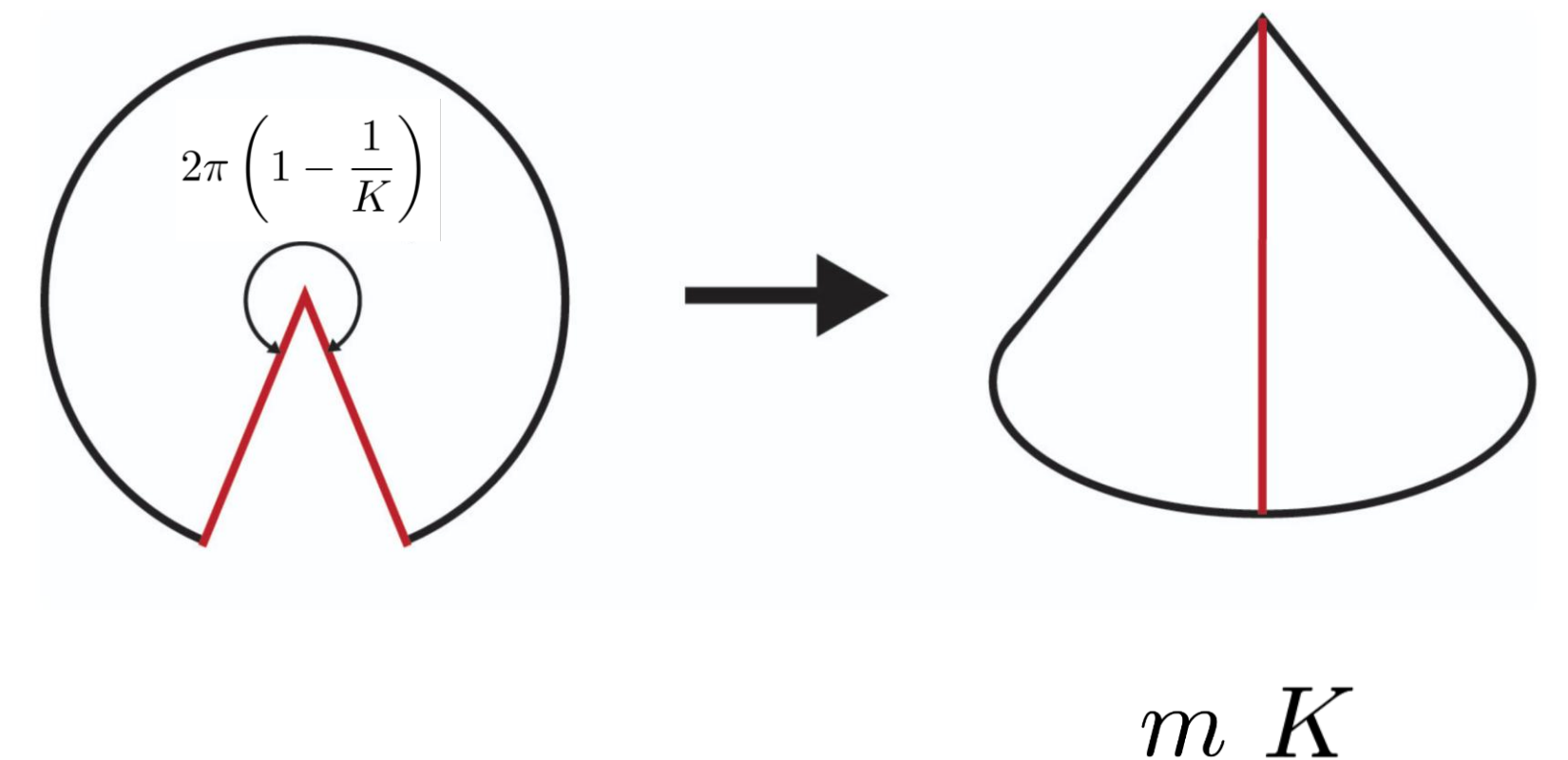
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- Schwarzschild black hole with a **conical deficit**

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- Conical deficit of

$$\delta = 2\pi \left(1 - \frac{1}{K}\right)$$



Accelerating Black Holes in AdS

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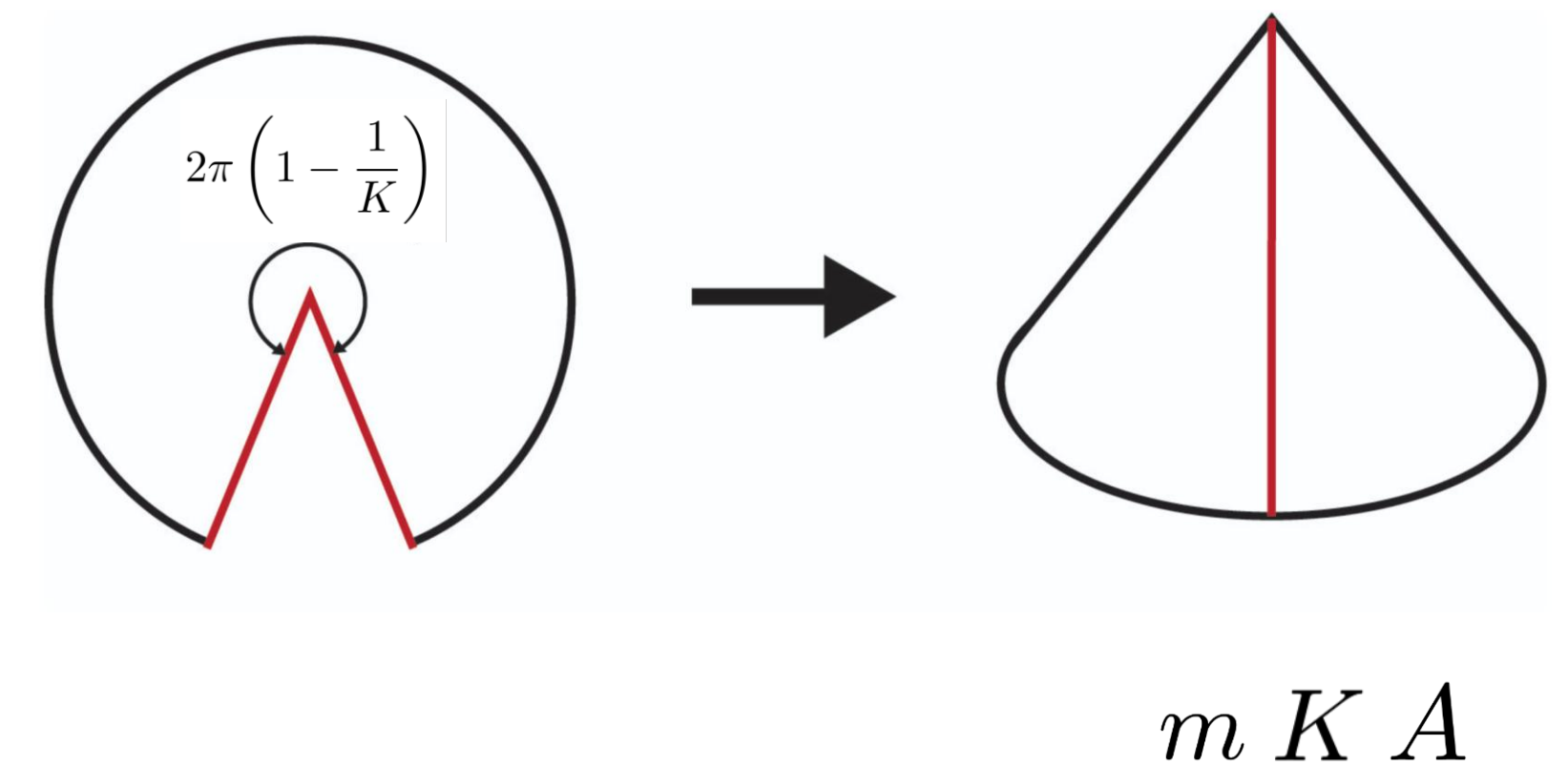
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- Described by

$$\mathcal{F}(r) = (1 - \underline{A^2 r^2}) \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r} \right) + \frac{r^2}{L^2}$$

$$\mathcal{G}(\theta) = 1 + \underline{2Am \cos \theta} \quad \omega(r, \theta) = 1 + \underline{Ar \cos \theta}$$



Part 2

Interpreting the solution

New coordinate system

- Coordinate change

$$t \rightarrow At, \quad y \rightarrow \frac{1}{Ar}, \quad x \rightarrow \cos \theta, \quad z \rightarrow \frac{\phi}{K}$$

- Metric in “**polynomial form**”

$$ds^2 = \frac{1}{\underbrace{\Omega(y, x)^2}_{\text{conformal factor}}} \left(-F(y)dt^2 + \frac{dy^2}{F(y)} + \frac{dx^2}{G(x)} + G(x)dz^2 \right)$$

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$$F(y) = - (1 - y^2) (1 - 2Amy) + \frac{1}{A^2 L^2} \quad \Omega(y, x) = A(x + y)$$
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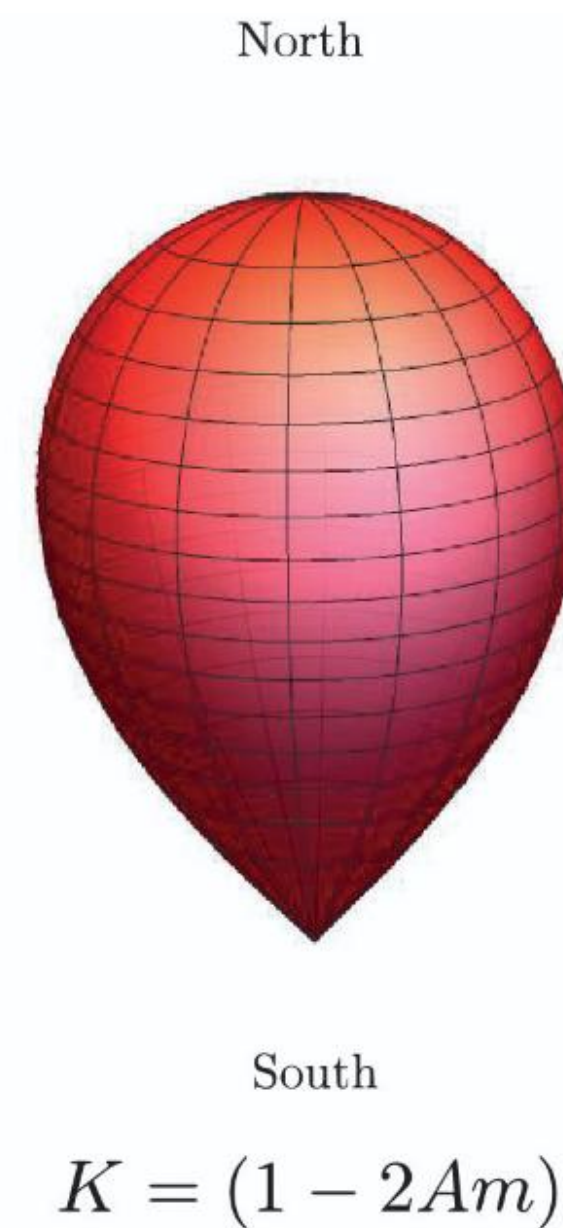
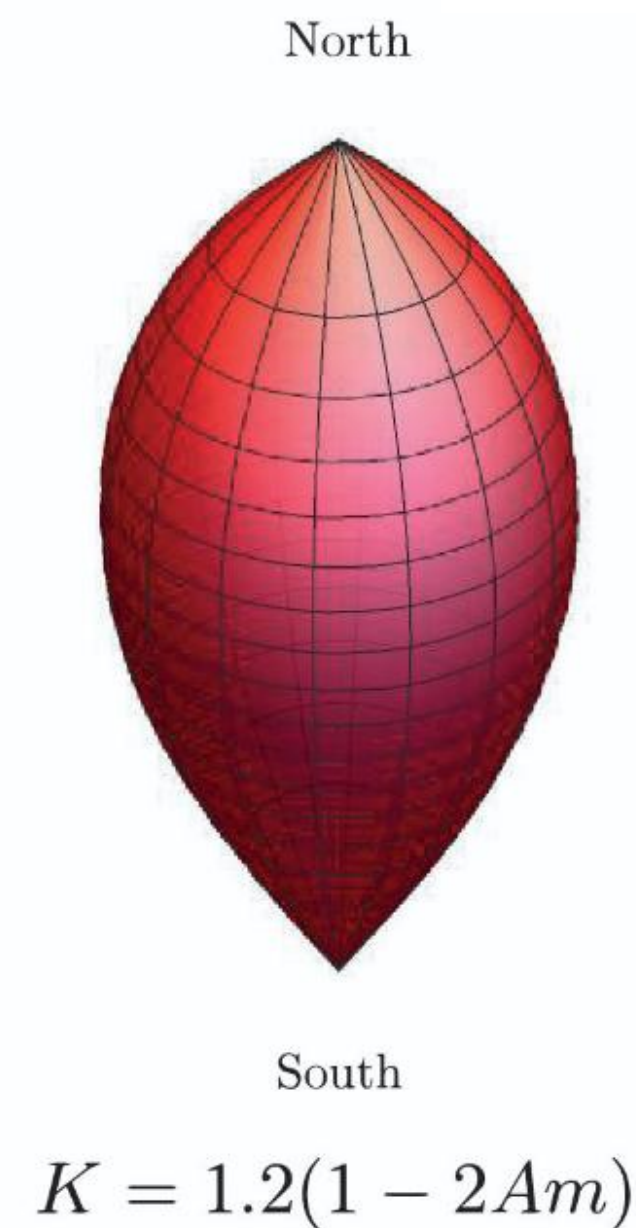
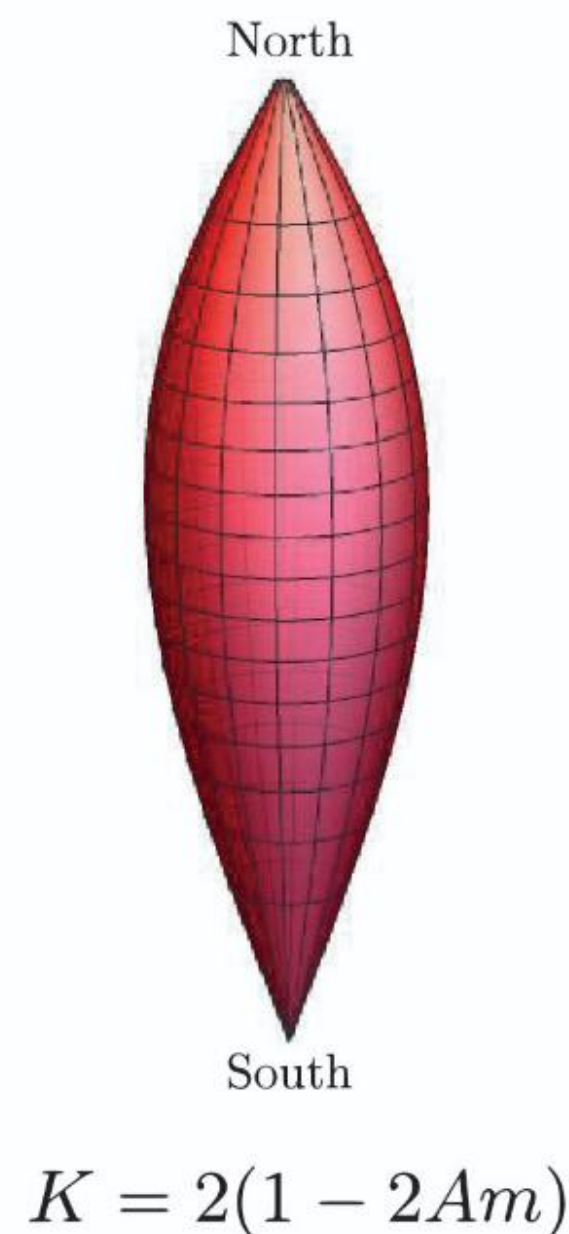
Feature 1: the conical deficit

Consider a circle around the pole which has the ratio: $\frac{\text{Circumference}}{\text{radius}} = \frac{2\pi \left. \frac{d\sqrt{G}}{dx} \right|_{x=\pm 1}}{K \left. \frac{1}{\sqrt{G}} \right|_{x=\pm 1}} = \frac{\pi}{K} \left. \frac{dG}{dx} \right|_{x=\pm 1}$

Conical deficit for each pole is given by $\delta_{\pm} = 2\pi \left(1 - \frac{2}{K} \left. \frac{dG}{dx} \right|_{x=\pm 1} \right) = 2\pi \left(1 - \frac{1 \pm 2Am}{K} \right)$

String tension

$$\mu_{\pm} = \frac{\delta_{\pm}}{8\pi}$$



Feature 2: conformal boundary

$$ds^2 = \underbrace{\frac{1}{\Omega(y, x)^2}}_{\text{conformal factor}} \left(-F(y)dt^2 + \frac{dy^2}{F(y)} + \frac{dx^2}{G(x)} + G(x)dz^2 \right)$$

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$$\Omega(y, x) = A(x + y)$$

- **Conformal infinity:** $x + y = 0$
- **Restrict ourselves to the physically most important case:**

$$x \in (-1, 1) \quad x + y > 0$$

Feature 3: acceleration horizon(s)

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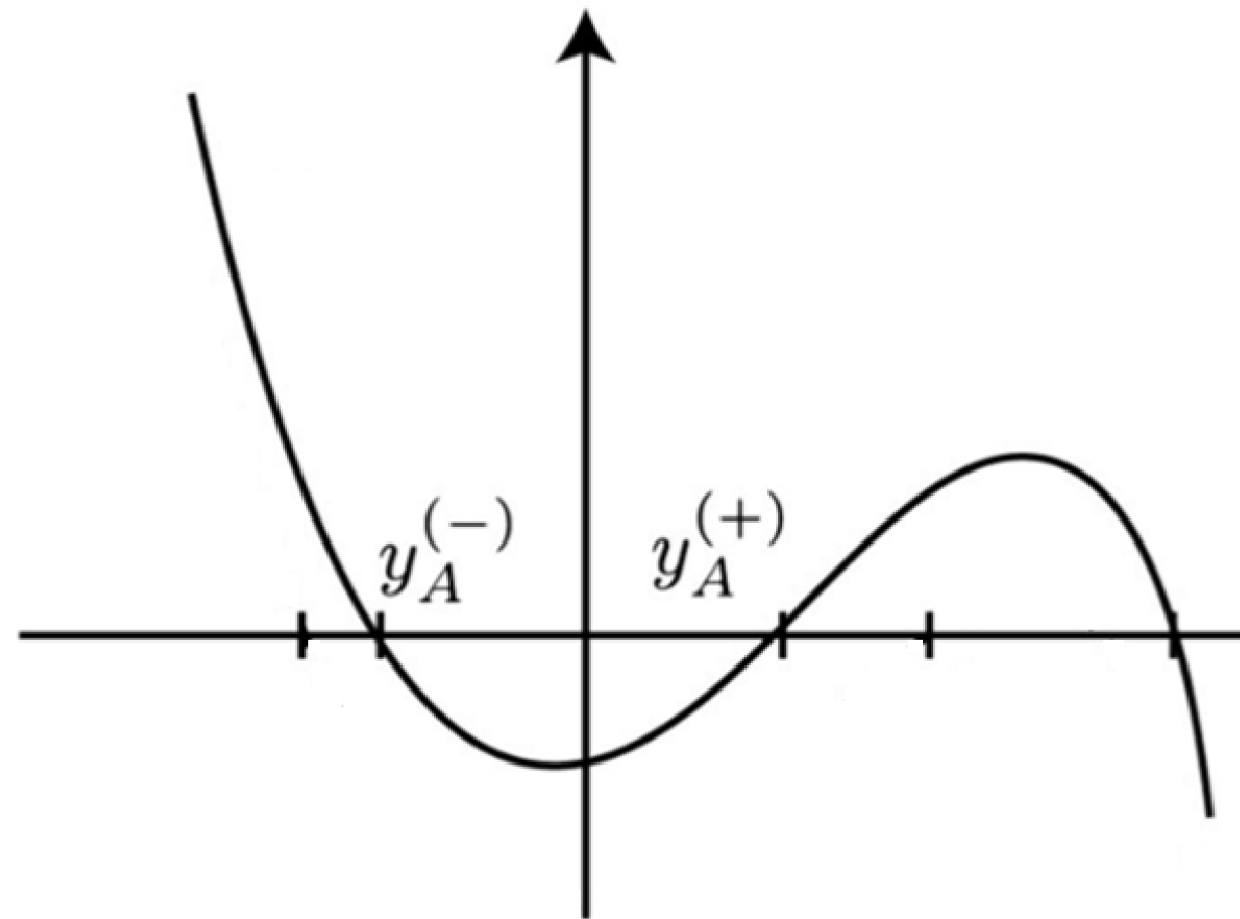
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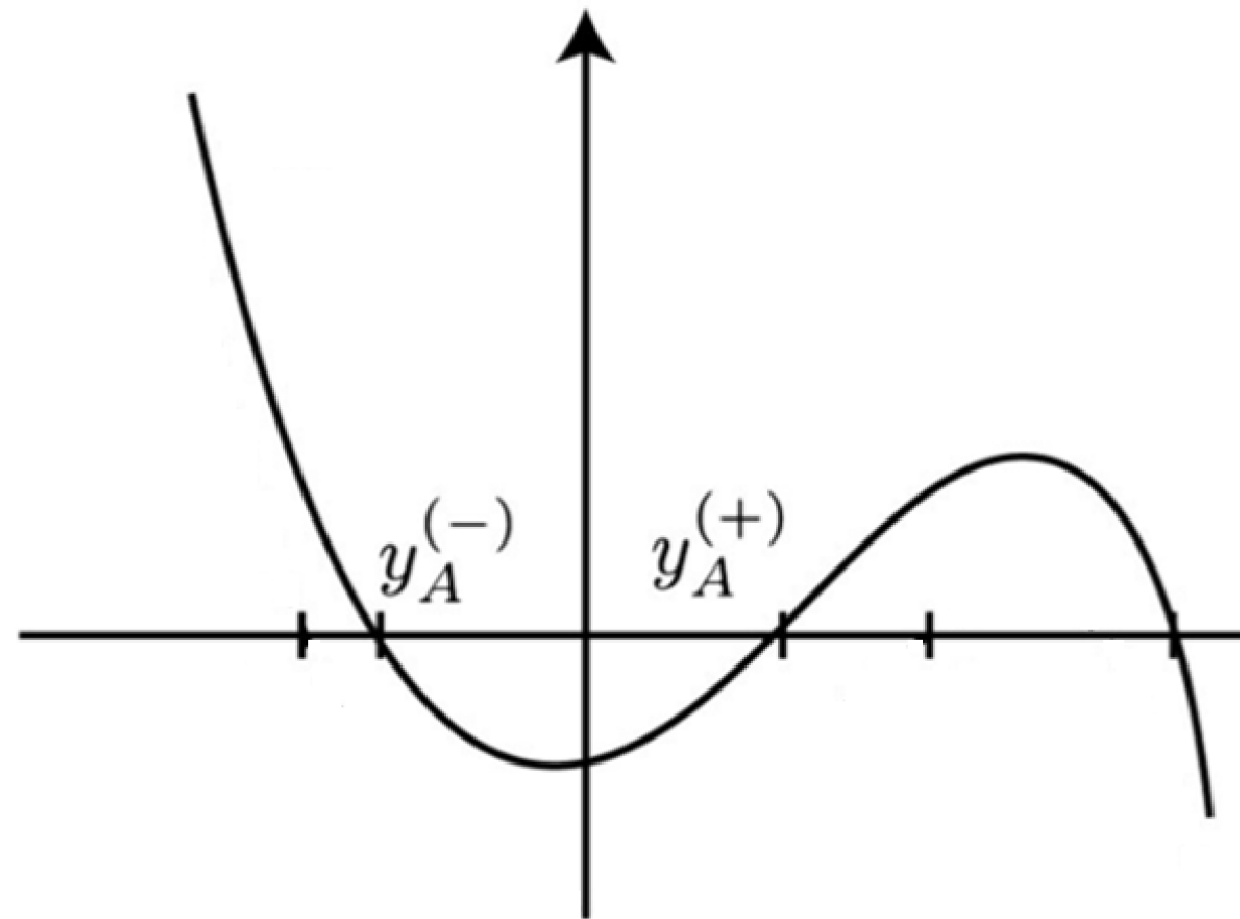
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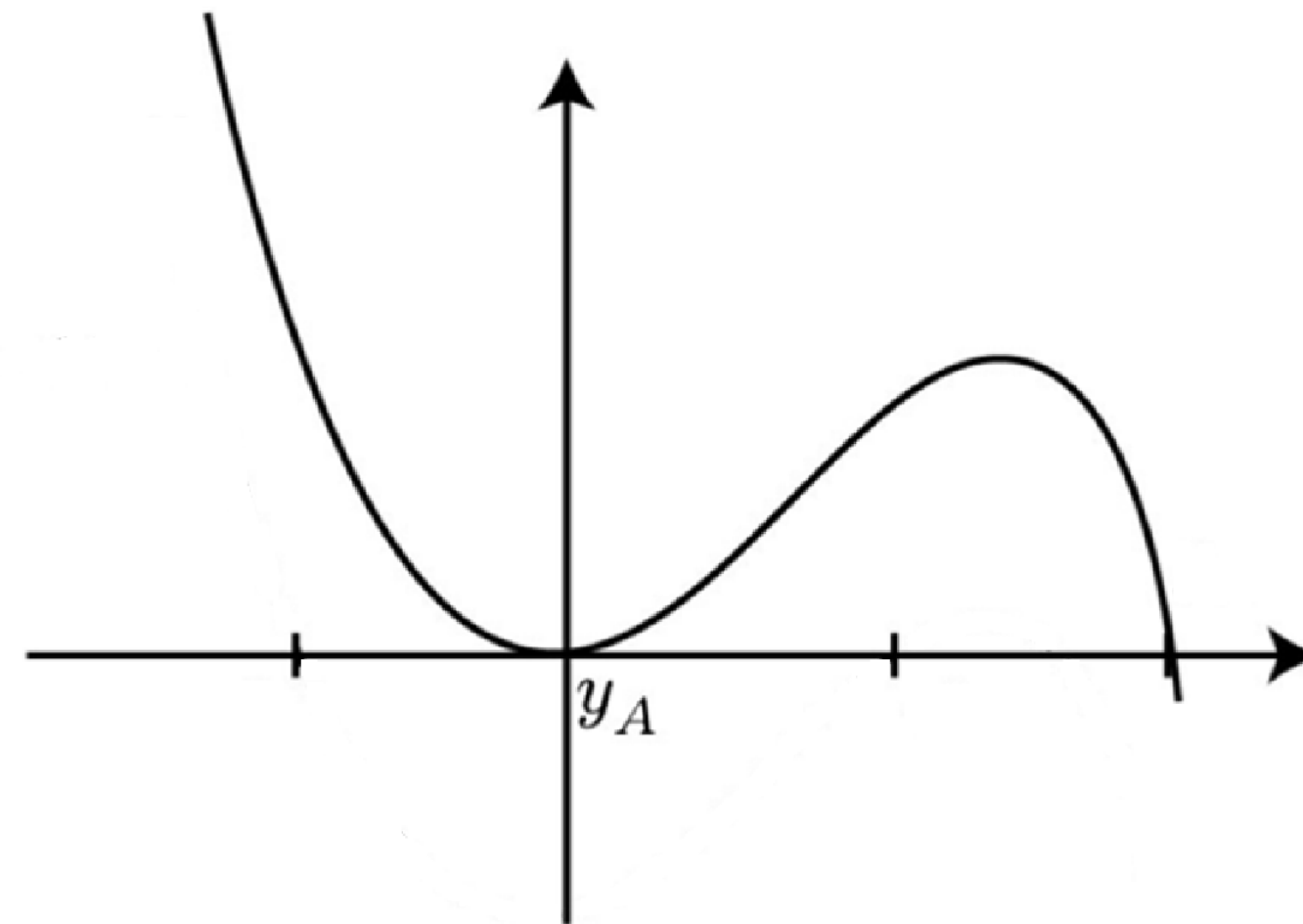
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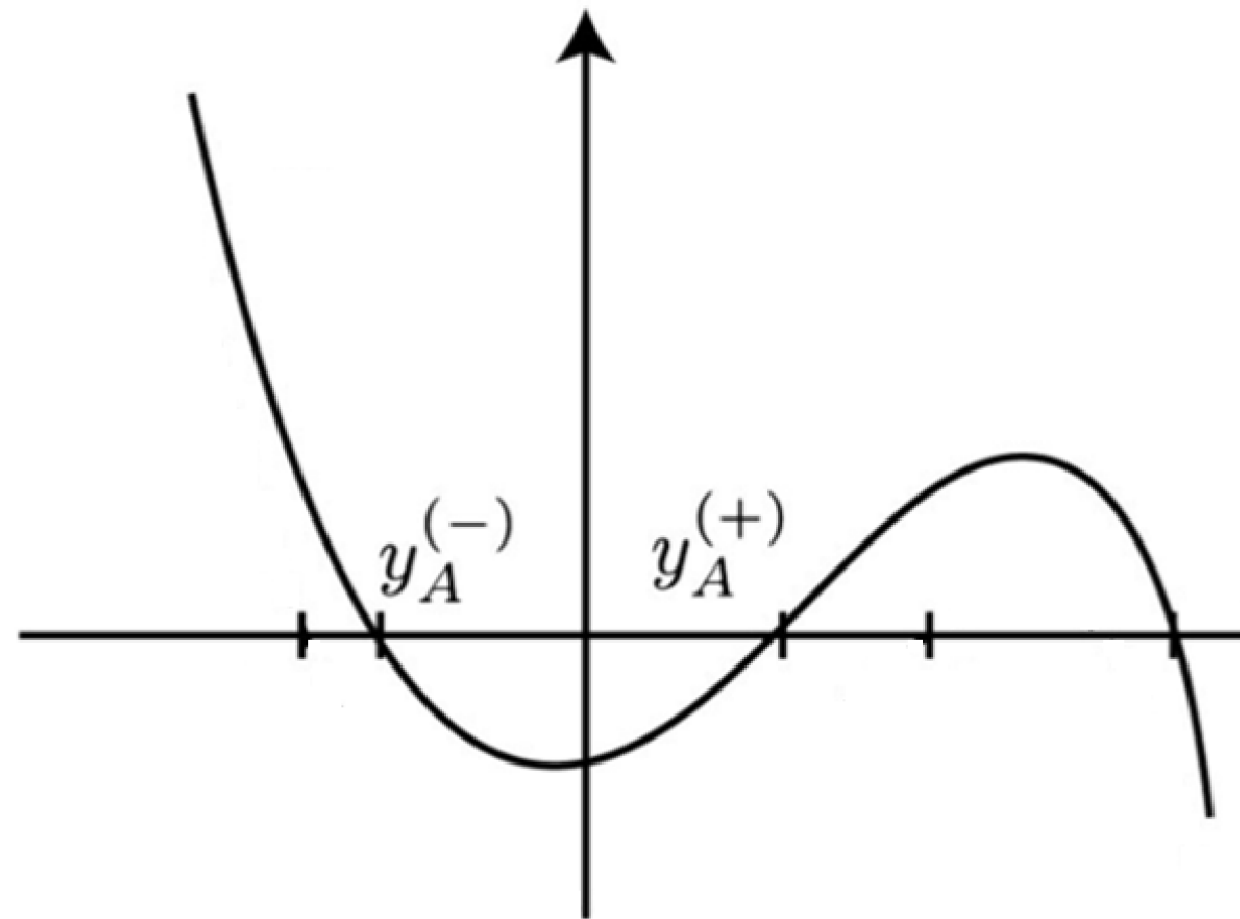
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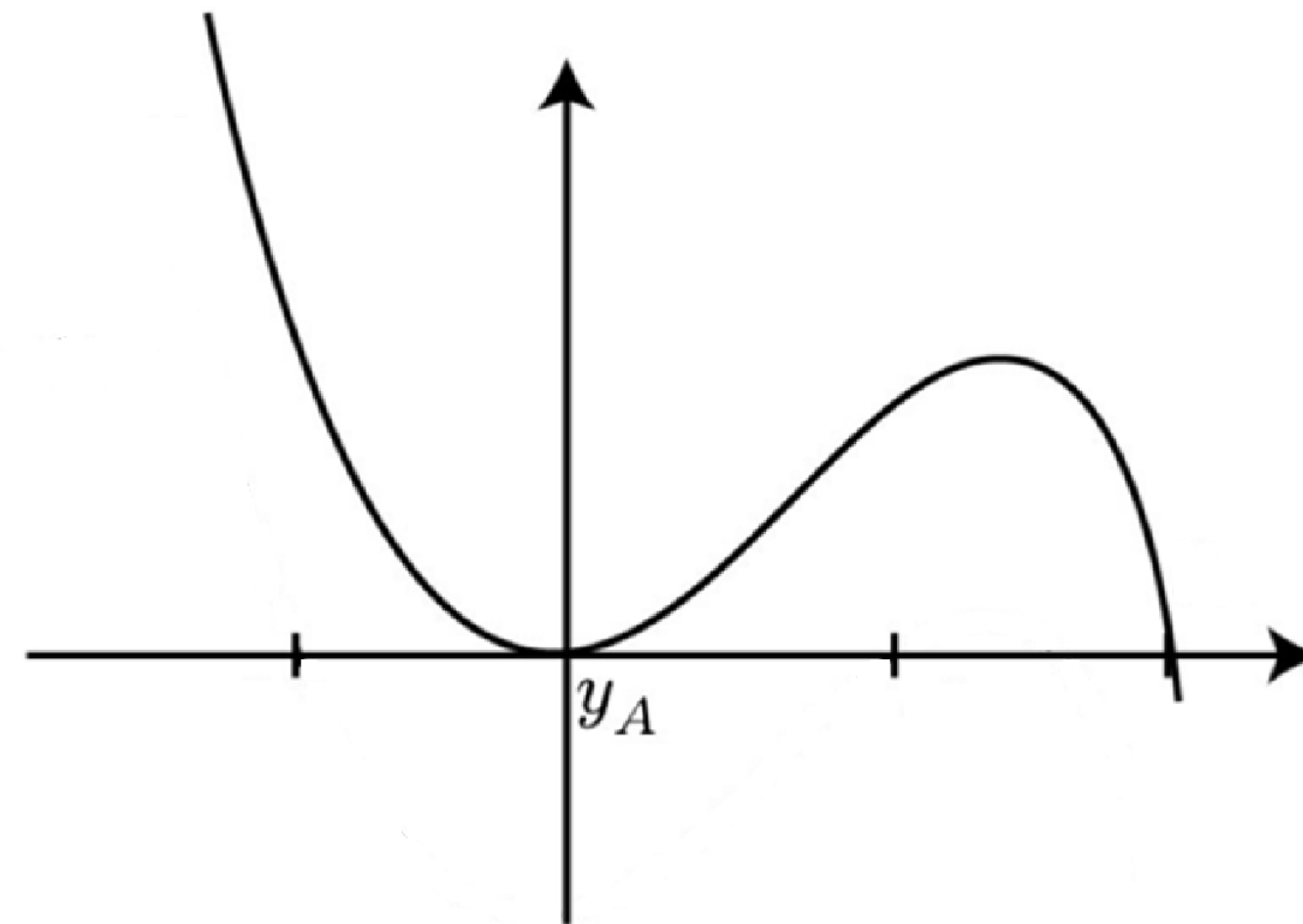
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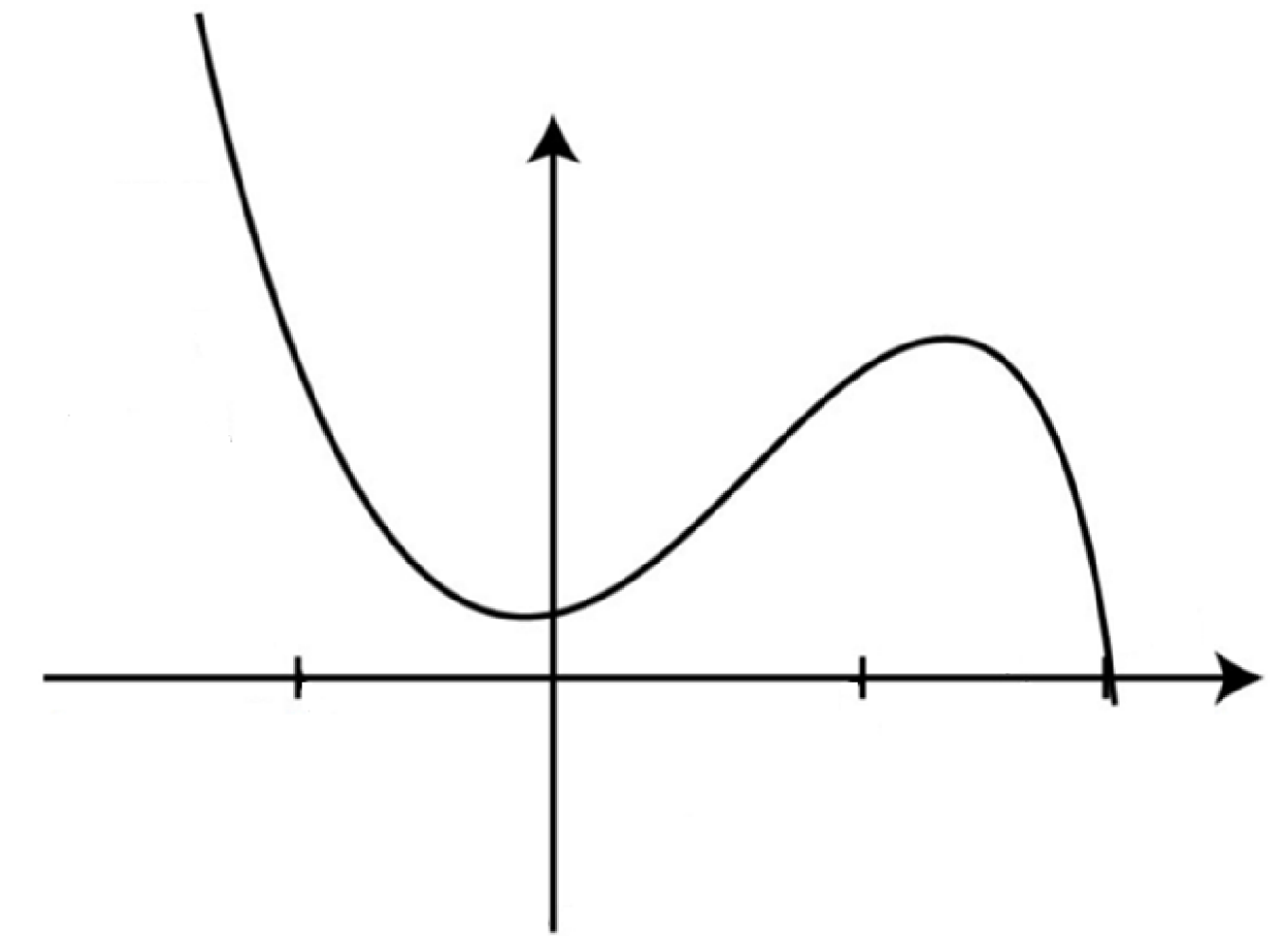
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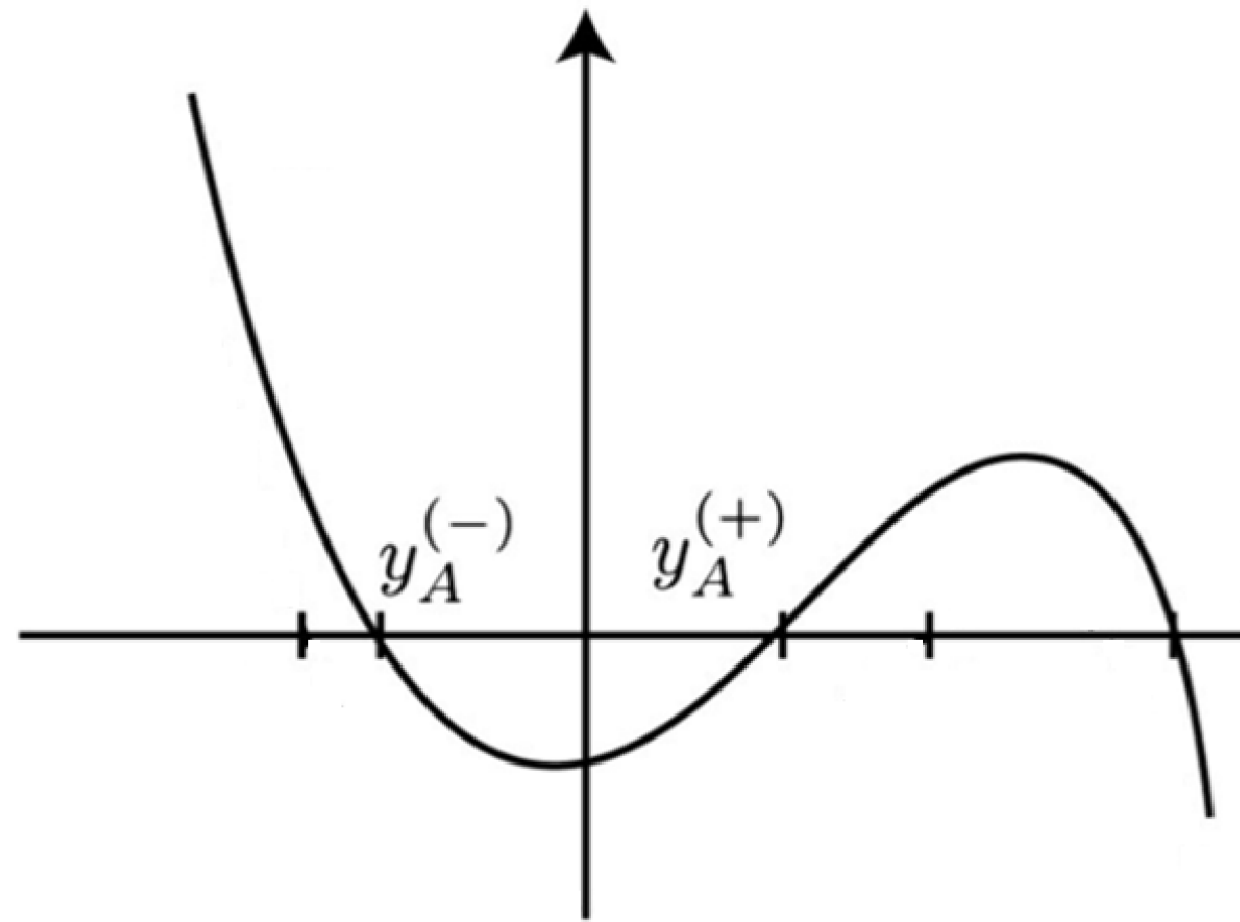
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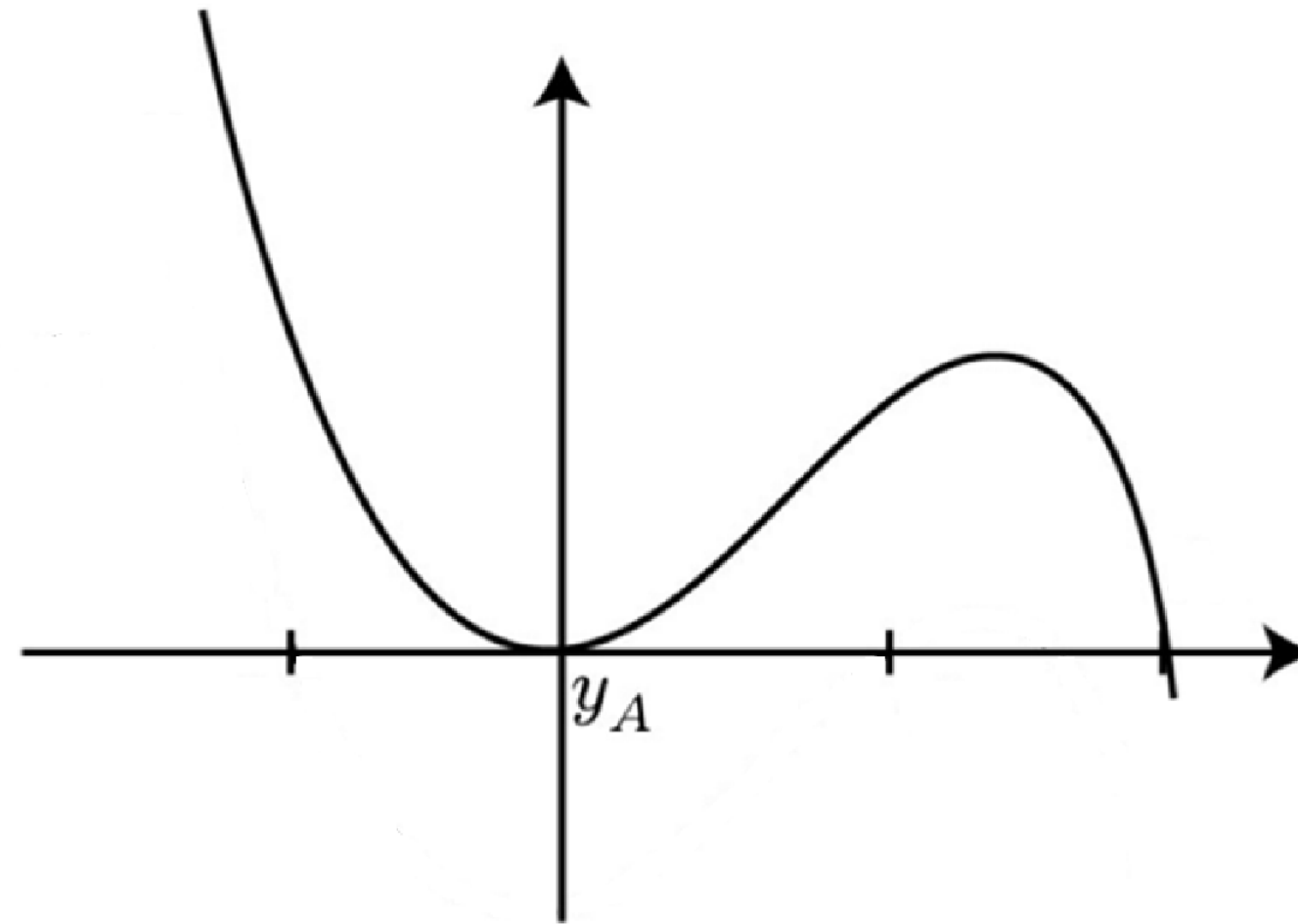
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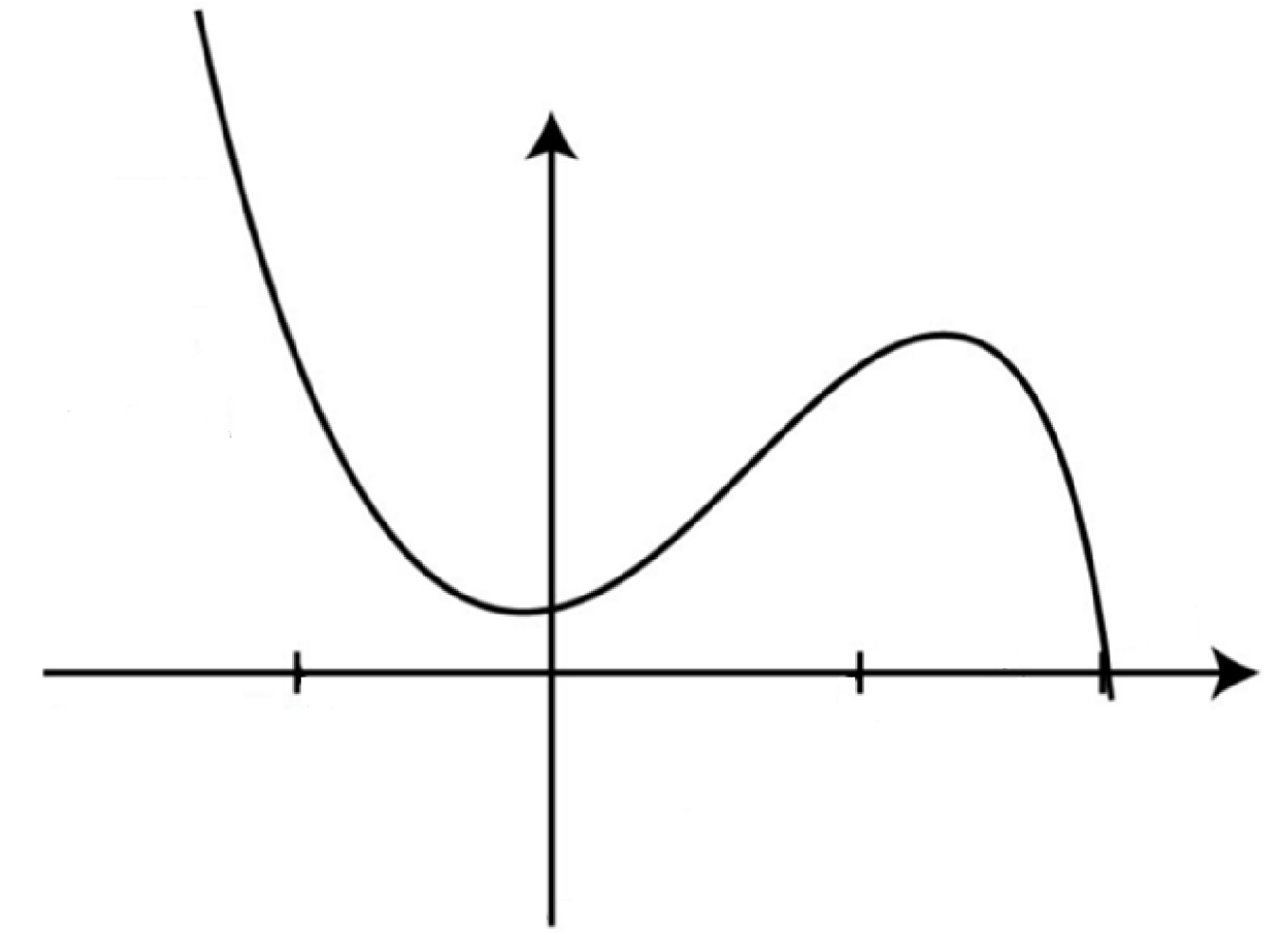
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- Goals of this talk:
 - Are there accelerating black hole solution in this theory?
 - How do we deal with the boundary conditions?

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Finding the Solution

The Even-Parity Ansatz

- Correction to **diagonal** terms in the metric

$$ds^2 = \frac{1}{\Omega(y, x)^2} \left\{ - (1 + \underline{\lambda_{\text{ev}} f(y, x)}) F(y) dt^2 + (1 + \underline{\lambda_{\text{ev}} h(y, x)}) \frac{dy^2}{F(y)} \right. \\ \left. + (1 + \underline{\lambda_{\text{ev}} j(y, x)}) \frac{dx^2}{G(x)} + (1 + \underline{\lambda_{\text{ev}} k(y, x)}) G(x) \frac{d\phi^2}{K^2} \right\}$$

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(A Part) of the Solution

- For example:

$$\begin{aligned} f(y, x) = & -\frac{4}{L^4} + \frac{8}{3}A^5mx \left(15 - \frac{74}{A^2L^2} + \frac{24}{A^4L^4} \right) - \frac{8A^4m^2}{3L^2}x^2 (7A^2L^2 + 96) + 88A^5mx^3 \\ & + \frac{16A^4m^2}{L^2}x^4 (A^2L^2 + 12) - 40A^6m^2x^6 + y \left[-\frac{32A^3m}{L^2} (A^2L^2 + 1) + \frac{32A^4m^2}{15L^2}x^3 (30 - 151A^2L^2) \right. \\ & \left. - 272A^6m^2x^5 \right] + y^2 \left[40A^6m^2 + \frac{A^3m}{L^2}x \left(16 - \frac{376A^2L^2}{5} \right) + \frac{64A^4m^2x^2 (8A^2L^2 + 15)}{5l^2} - \frac{968}{5}A^5mx^3 \right. \\ & \left. - \frac{1}{5}3368A^6m^2x^4 \right] + y^3 \left[48A^5m + \frac{64A^4m^2}{3L^2}x (11A^2L^2 + 3) - 144A^5mx^2 - \frac{1}{5}1568A^6m^2x^3 \right] \\ & + y^4 \left(\frac{304}{5}A^6m^2x^2 \right) + y^5 (16A^6m^2x), \end{aligned}$$

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Black Hole Thermodynamics

The First Law

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