

CALCULUS

Standard notation

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\forall stands for **for all**
or, sometimes, **for any**

\exists stands for **there exists**
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s.t. stands for **such that**

\Rightarrow stands for **implies**

“ $A \Rightarrow B$ ” is equivalent to “**if A then B** ”.

iff and \Leftrightarrow both stand for **if and only if**

“ $A \Leftrightarrow B$ ” is equivalent to “**both $A \Rightarrow B$ and $B \Rightarrow A$** ”.

Next: basic notation in set theory

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scalar := ^{real} number

$\emptyset = \{ \}$ is the set with **no** elements

union: $\{4, 5, 6\} \cup \{5, 6, 7, 8\} = \{4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$

intersection: $\{4, 5, 6\} \cap \{5, 6, 7, 8\} = \{5, 6\}$ is not an elt of

complement: $\{4, 5, 6\} \setminus \{5, 6, 7, 8\} = \{4\}$

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The diagram shows a horizontal number line with arrows at both ends. Tick marks are labeled with 0 and 1. Below the line, there are two points labeled $-\sqrt{2}$ and $\sqrt{2}$. Arrows point from these labels to their respective positions on the number line.

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

$\mathbb{C} := \{\text{complex numbers}\}$ not used in this class

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Next: intervals

$A \subseteq B$ means: $\forall x \in A, x \in B$.

read: A "is a subset of" B

$B \supseteq A$ means: $\forall x \in A, x \in B$.

read: B "is a superset of" A

$$A \subseteq B \iff B \supseteq A$$

e.g.: $\mathbb{Z} \subseteq \mathbb{Q} \subseteq \mathbb{R} \subseteq \mathbb{C}$
 $\mathbb{C} \supseteq \mathbb{R} \supseteq \mathbb{Q} \supseteq \mathbb{Z}$

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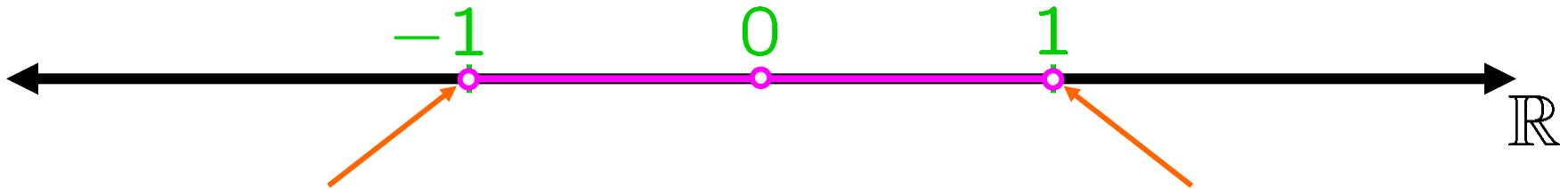
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interval

$(-1, 1) \setminus \{0\}$ is **not** an interval.



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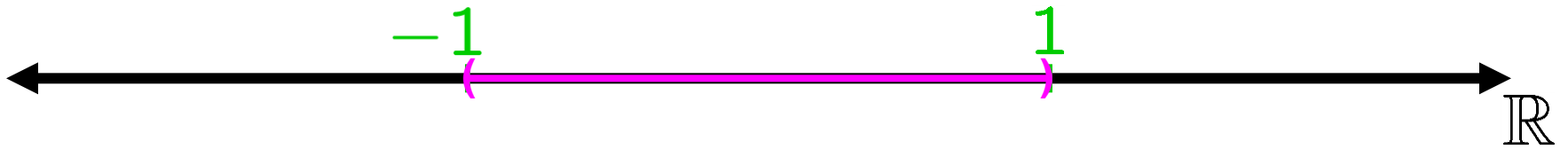
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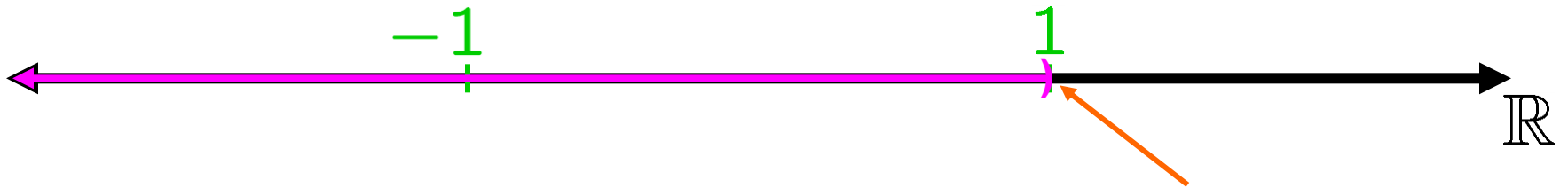
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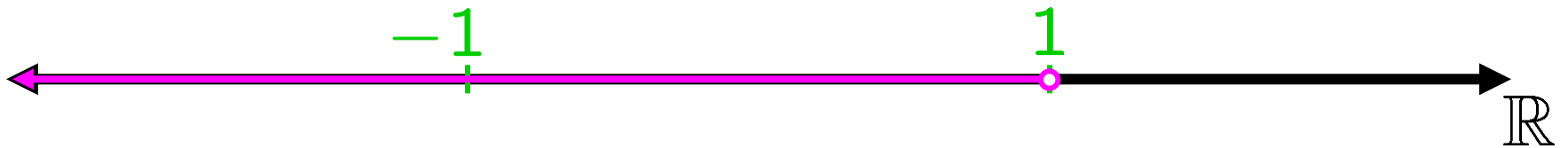
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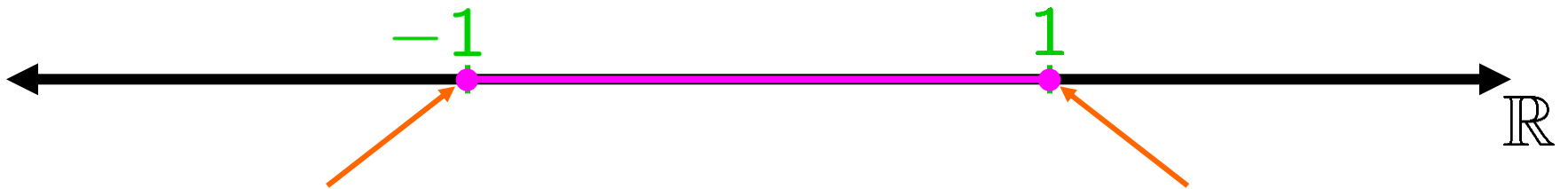
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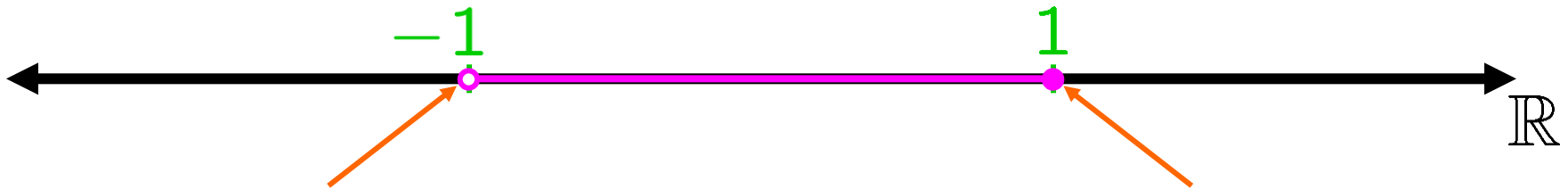
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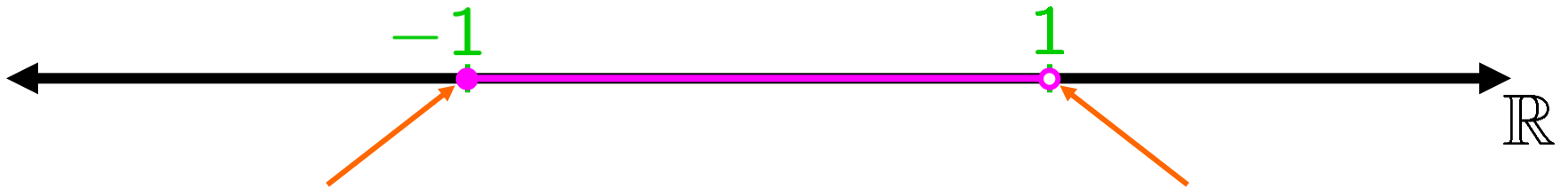
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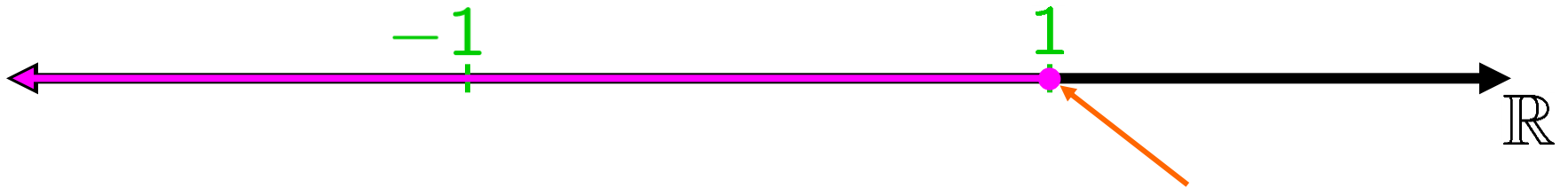
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SKILL

identify intvl:

open, closed, half-open, bdd

This is the **ONLY** interval that is both open and closed.

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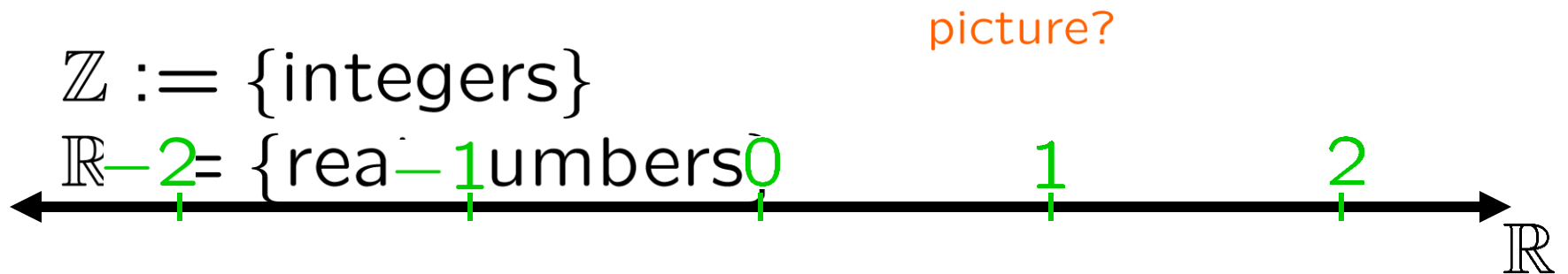
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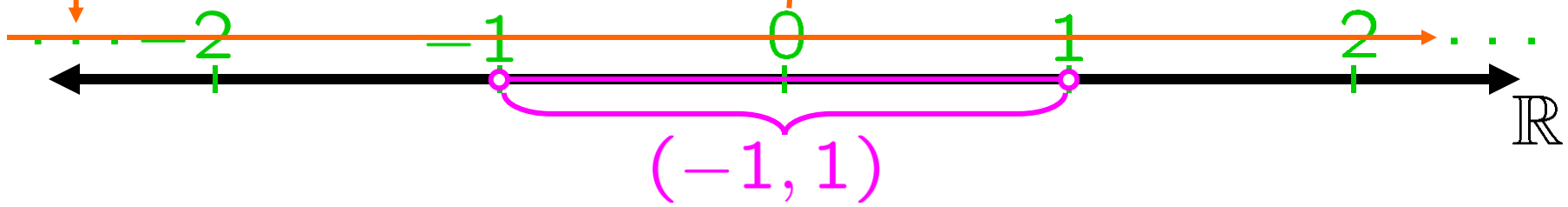
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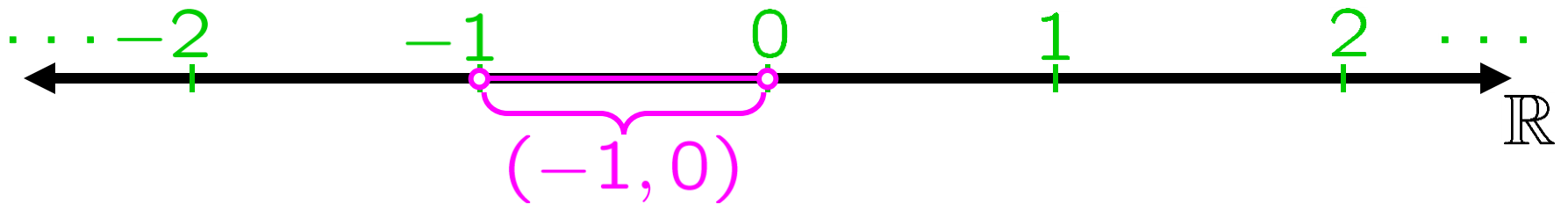
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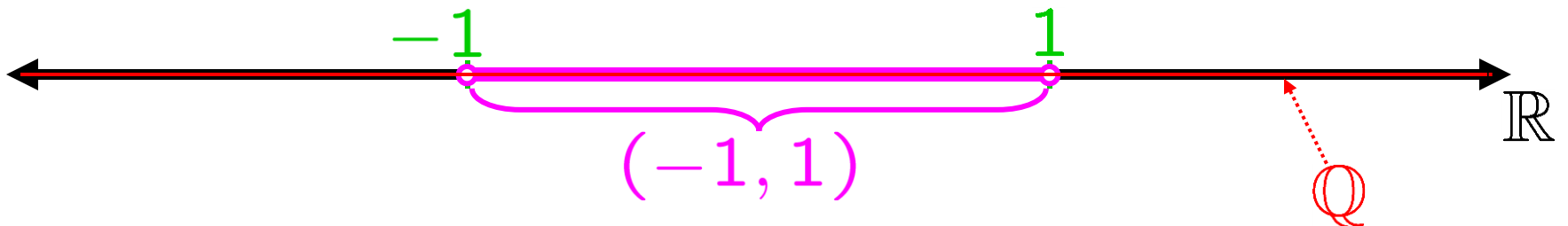


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$\mathbb{Q} := \{\text{rational numbers}\}$ is **dense** in \mathbb{R} .

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Picture \mathbb{Q}

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with

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