

# Fluid dynamics with cosmological symmetry on Finsler spacetimes

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  - **Similarly: replacing flat spacetime by curved spacetime led to GR.**

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- Finsler function  $F : TM \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ .
- Parametrization invariance requires homogeneity:

$$F(x, \lambda y) = \lambda F(x, y) \quad \forall \lambda > 0 .$$

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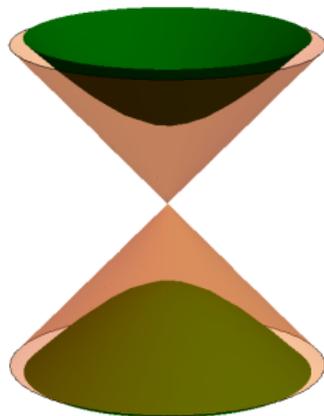
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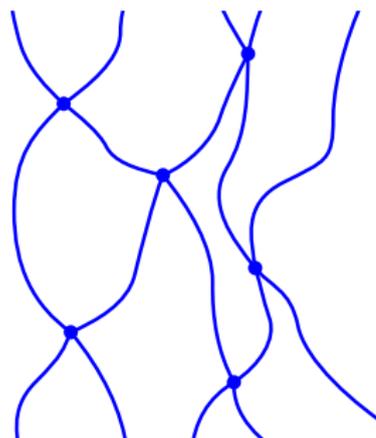


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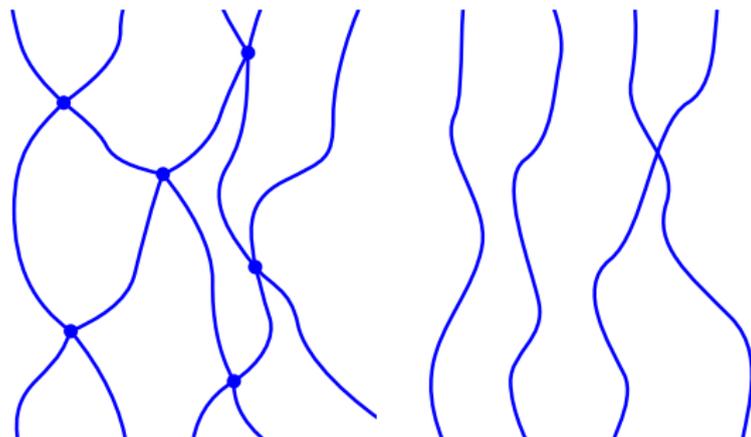
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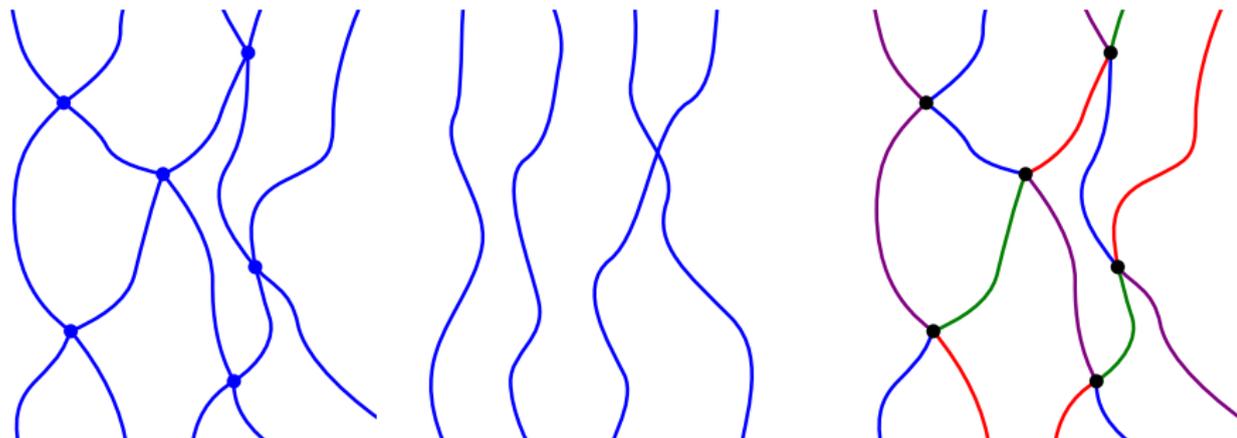
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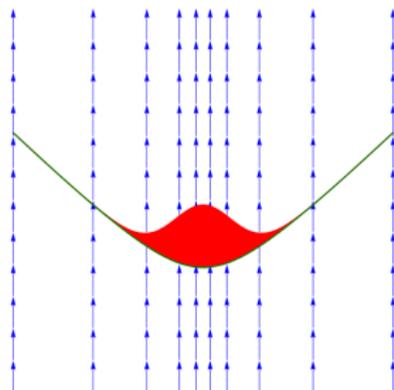
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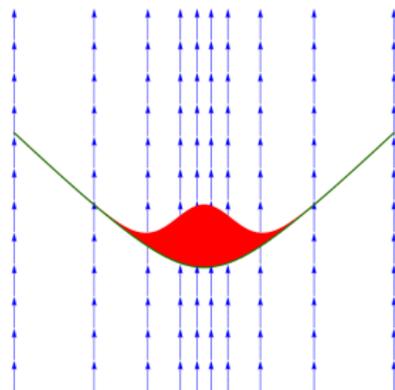
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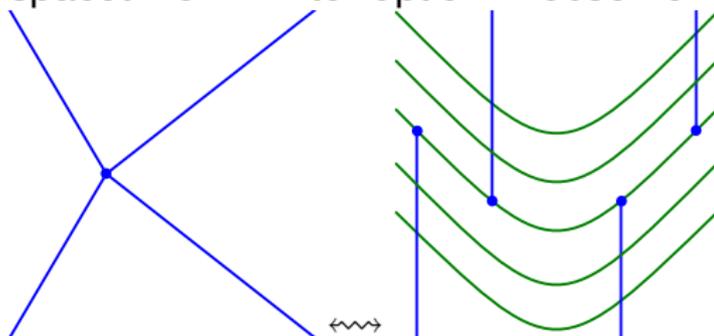
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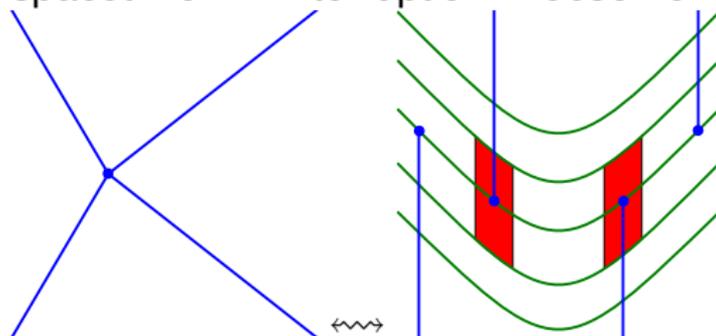
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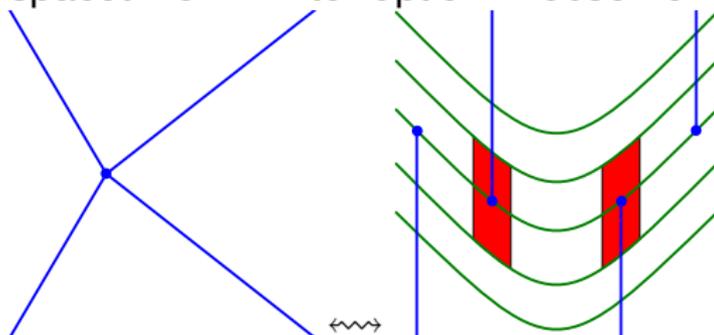
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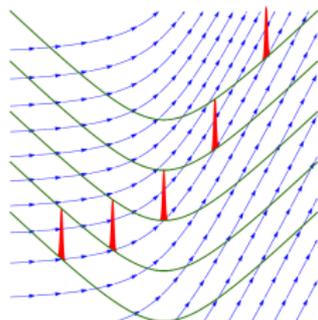
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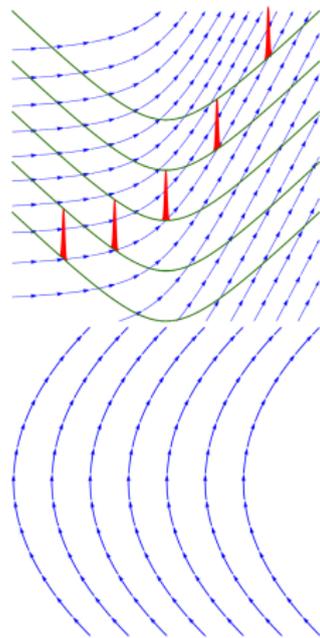
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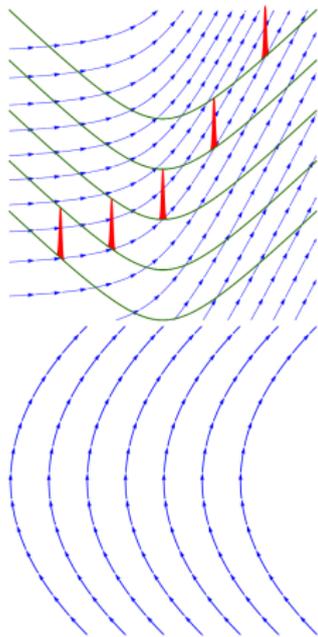


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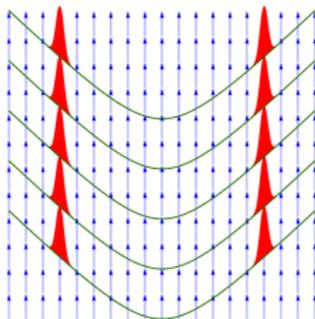
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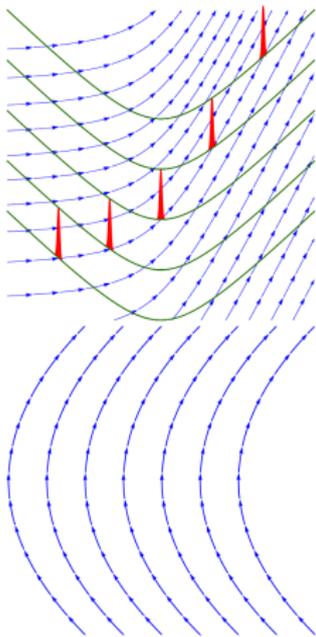
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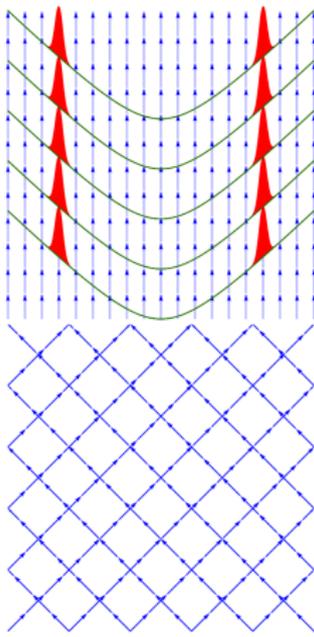
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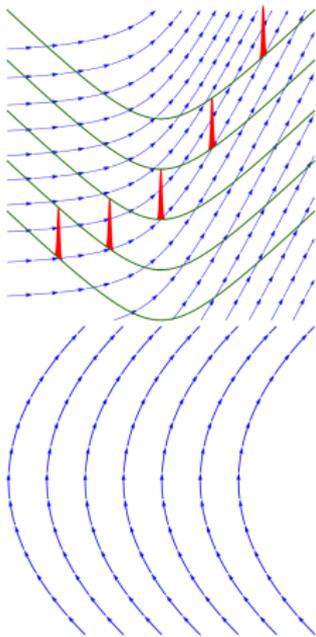
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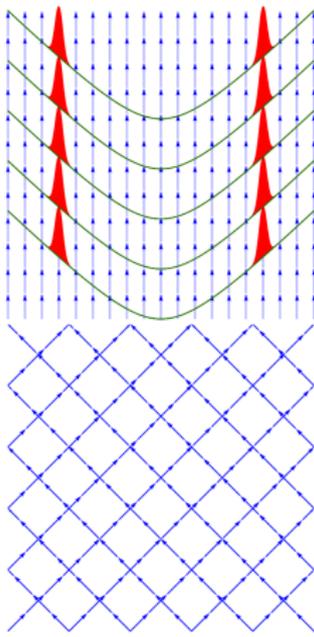
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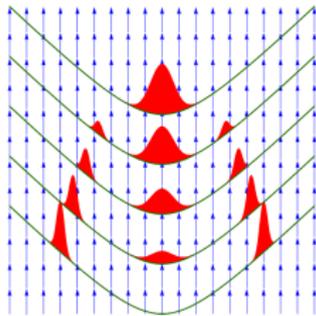
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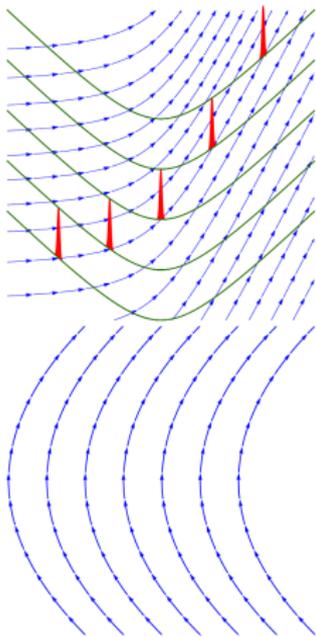
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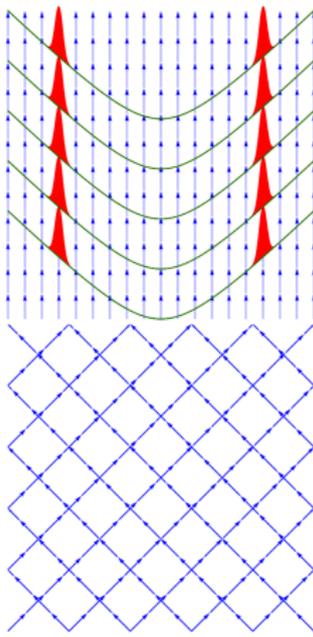
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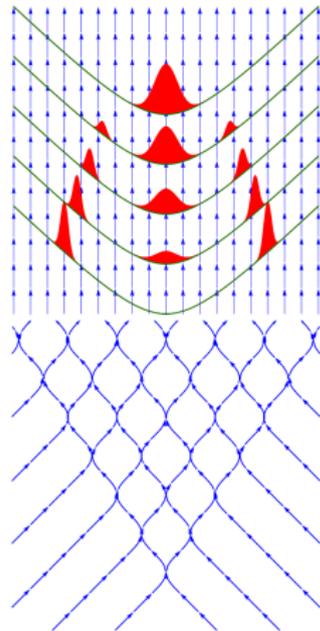
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# Symmetry generating vector fields

- Spherical coordinates  $(x^a) = (t, r, \theta, \varphi)$ .
- Generators of cosmological symmetry:

$$\xi_1 = \sqrt{1 - kr^2} \left( \sin \theta \cos \varphi \partial_r + \frac{\cos \theta \cos \varphi}{r} \partial_\theta - \frac{\sin \varphi}{r \sin \theta} \partial_\varphi \right),$$

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⚡ Canonical lifts to  $TM$  are lengthy in induced coordinates  $(x^a, y^a)$ .

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⇒ Describe Finsler geometry using these non-induced coordinates.

# Tangent bundle geometry

- Tangent structure:

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- Cotangent structure:  $J^*_A{}^B = J^B{}_A$ .
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