

Fluid dynamics on generalized geometric backgrounds

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- Charged, multi-component gas:
 - Plasma, interacting gas including recombination / ionization.
 - Used in stellar dynamics, pre-CMB era models. . .

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 - Galaxy rotation curves
 - Accelerating expansion of the universe

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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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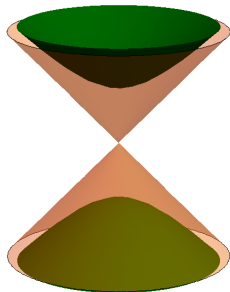
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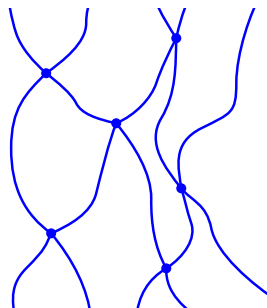


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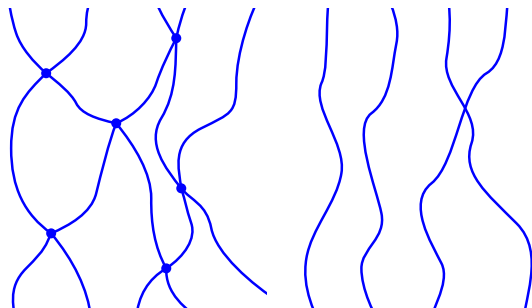
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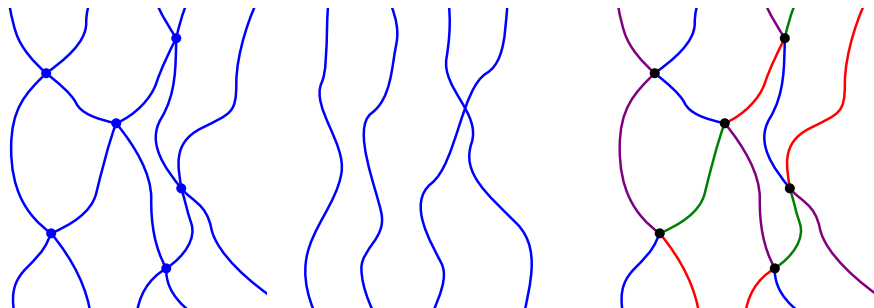
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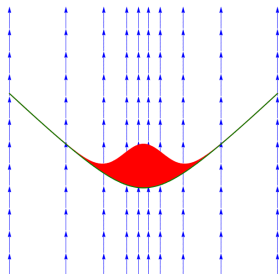
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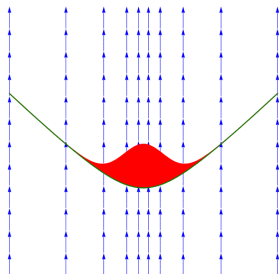
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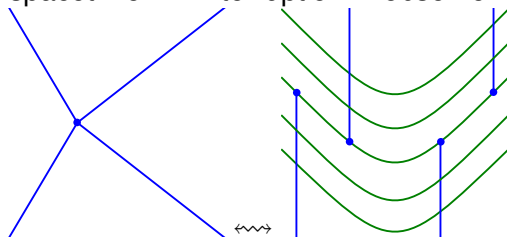
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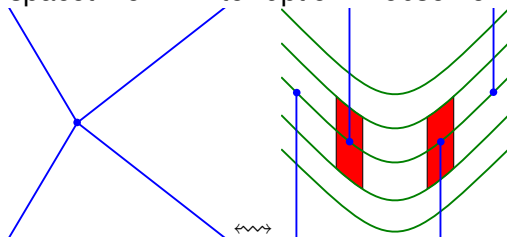
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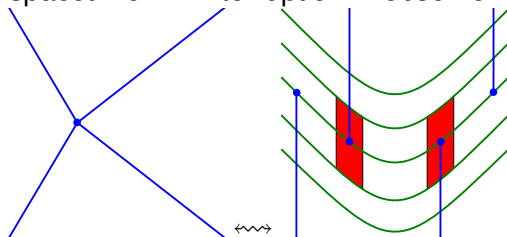
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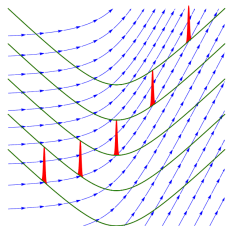
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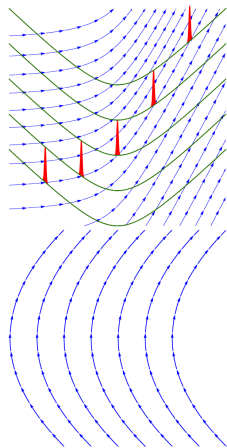
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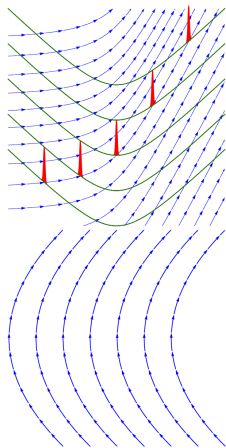


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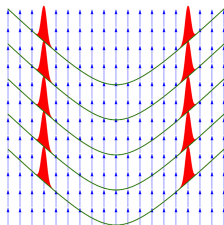
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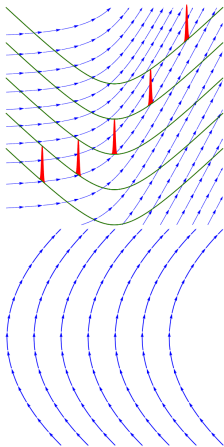
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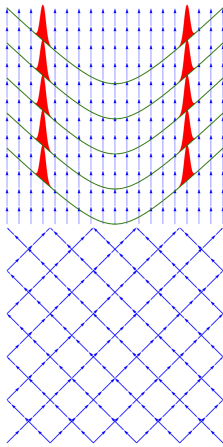
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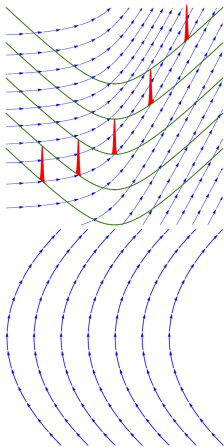


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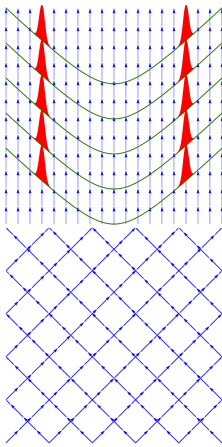
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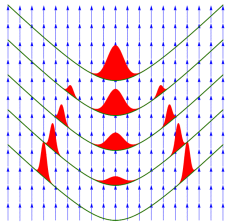
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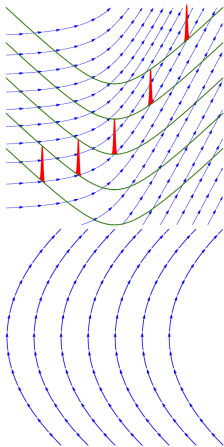
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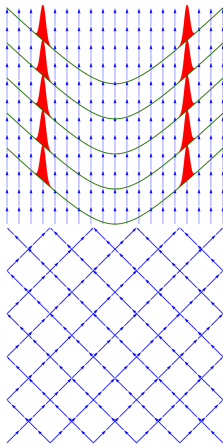
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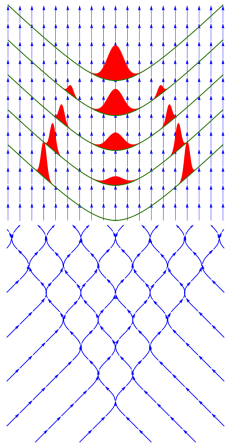
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