

Welcome to Copenhagen!

Schedule:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8	Registration and welcome				
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Coffee breaks at 10:00 and 14:45 (no afternoon break on Wednesday)



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Social Programme!

- **Today:** Pizza and walking tour!
 - 17:15 Pizza dinner in lecture hall
 - 18:00 Departure from lecture hall (with Metro – we have tickets)
 - 19:00 Walking tour of old university



- **Wednesday:** Boat tour, Danish beer and dinner
 - 15:20 Bus from KUA to Nyhavn
 - 16:00-17:00 Boat tour
 - 17:20 Bus from Nyhavn to NÅrrebro bryghus (NB, brewery)
 - 18:00 Guided tour of NB
 - 19:00 Dinner at NB



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- Lunch on your own – canteens and coffee on campus
- Internet connection
 - Eduroam
 - Alternative will be set up ASAP
- Emergency? Call Aasa: +4526220498
- Questions?



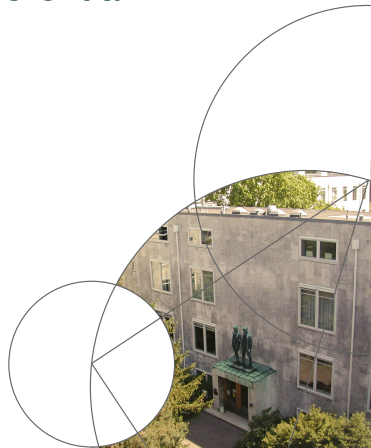


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A Very Brief Introduction to Differential and Riemannian Geometry

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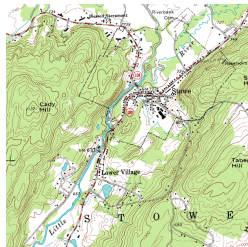
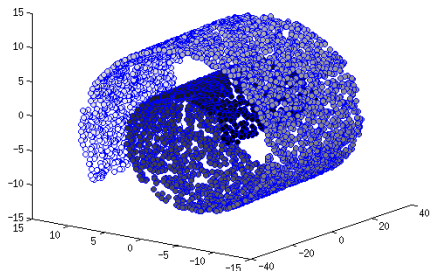
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Why do we care about nonlinearity?



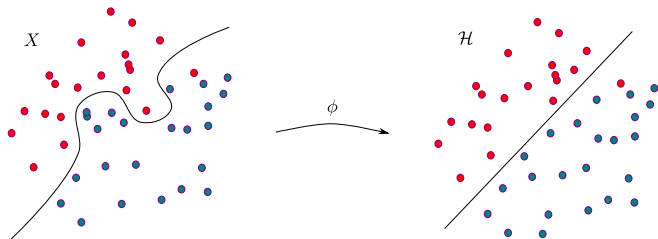
- Nonlinear relations between data objects
- True distances not reflected by linear representation

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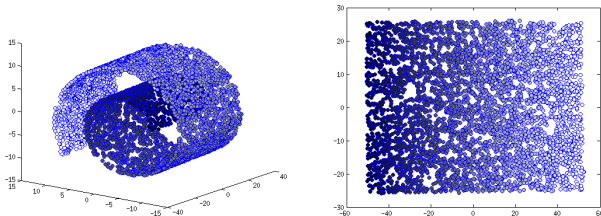
Mildly nonlinear: Nonlinear transformations between different linear representations

- Kernels!
- Feature map = nonlinear transformation of (linear?) data space X into linear feature space \mathcal{H}
- Learning problem is (usually) linear in \mathcal{H} , not in X .



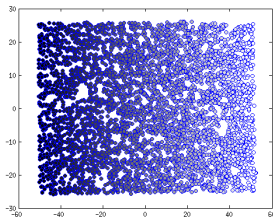
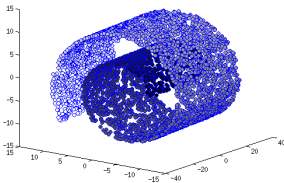
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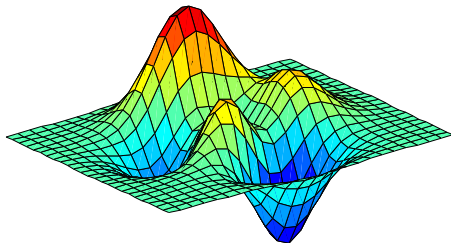
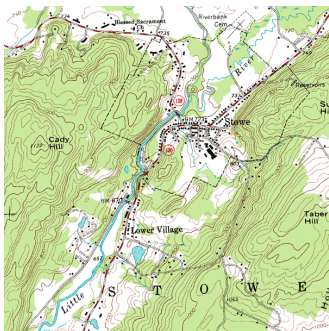


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- Searches for the folded-up *Euclidean* space that best fits the data
 - the *embedding* of the data in feature space is *nonlinear*
 - the recovered intrinsic distance structure is *linear*



More nonlinear: Data spaces which are intrinsically nonlinear



- Distances distorted in nonlinear way, varying spatially
- We shall see: the distances cannot always be linearized

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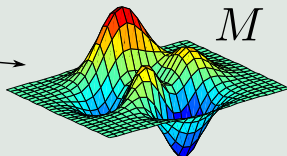
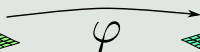
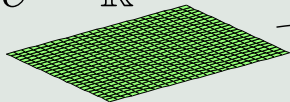


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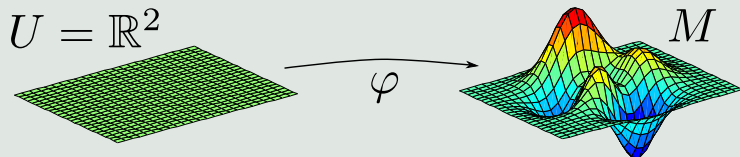
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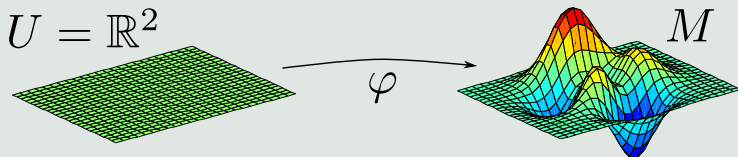
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- **What are the implications of getting the topology from U ?**

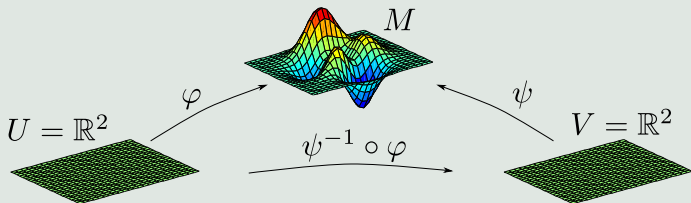


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- When $r = \infty$, f is **smooth**. Our focus.



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- What is the **meaning** of the Jacobian? The differential? How do they differ?



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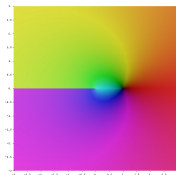


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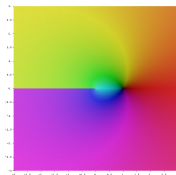


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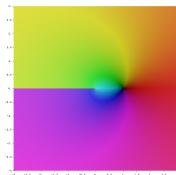
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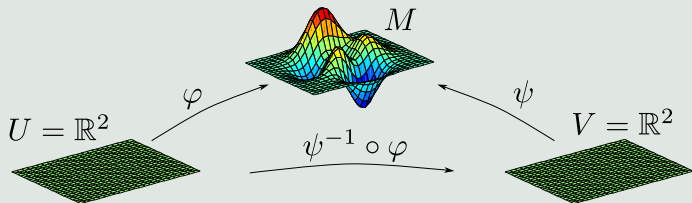


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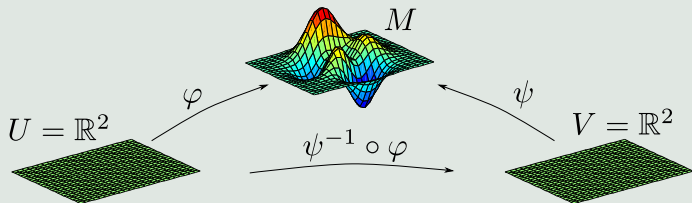


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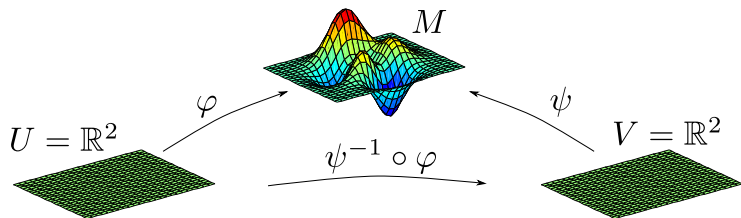
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- **What are the implications of inheriting structure through \mathcal{A} ?**



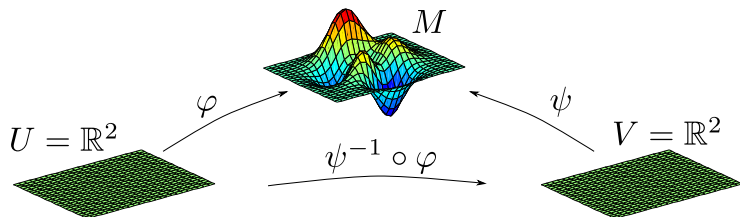
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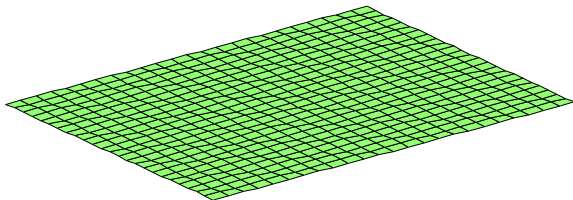
$$\varphi_j \circ \varphi_i^{-1}(x_1, \dots, x_m) = (y_1, \dots, y_m)$$

and the $m \times m$ Jacobian matrices $\left(\frac{\partial y^k}{\partial x^h} \right)_{k,h}$ are invertible.



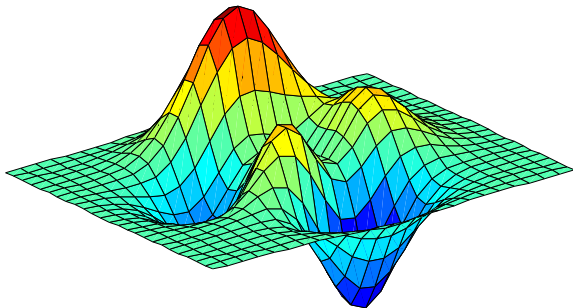
Example: Euclidean space

- The Euclidean space \mathbb{R}^n is a manifold: take $\varphi = Id$ as global coordinate system!



Example: Smooth surfaces

- Smooth surfaces in \mathbb{R}^n that are the image of a smooth map $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$.
- A global coordinate system given by f

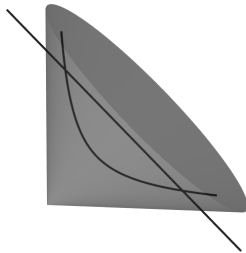
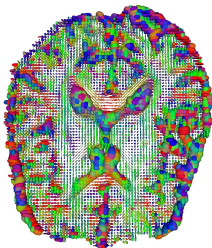
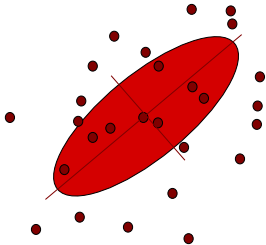


Example: Symmetric Positive Definite Matrices

- $\mathcal{P}(n) \subset GL_n$ consists of all symmetric $n \times n$ matrices A that satisfy

$$xAx^T > 0 \text{ for any } x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad (\text{positive definite – PD – matrices})$$

- $\mathcal{P}(n)$ = the set of covariance matrices on \mathbb{R}^n
- $\mathcal{P}(3)$ = the set of (diffusion) tensors on \mathbb{R}^3
- **Global chart:** $\mathcal{P}(n)$ is an open, convex subset of $\mathbb{R}^{(n^2+n)/2}$
 - $A, B \in \mathcal{P}(n) \rightarrow aA + bB \in \mathcal{P}(n)$ for all $a, b > 0$ so $\mathcal{P}(n)$ is a convex cone in $\mathbb{R}^{(n^2+n)/2}$.

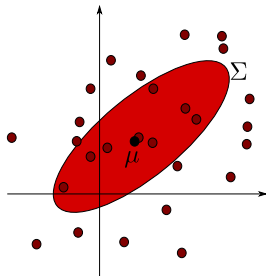


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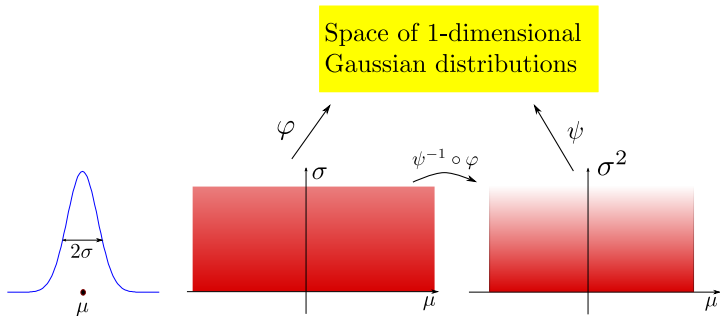
Example: Space of Gaussian distributions

- The space of n -dimensional Gaussian distributions is a smooth manifold
- **Global chart:** $(\mu, \Sigma) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{P}(n)$.



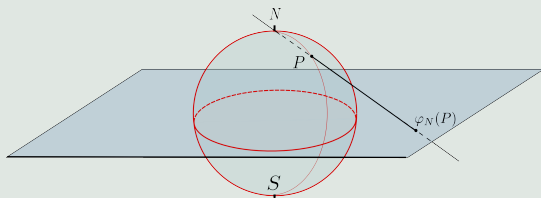
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- Also parametrized by $(\mu, \sigma^2) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_+$, mean μ , variance σ^2
- Smooth reparametrization $\psi^{-1} \circ \varphi$



In general: Manifolds requiring multiple charts

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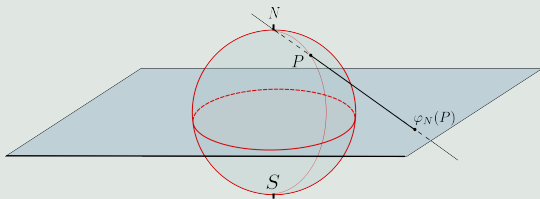
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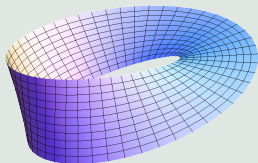
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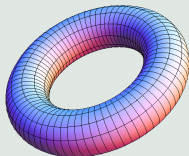
The Moebius strip



$$u \in [0, 2\pi], v \in \left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right]$$

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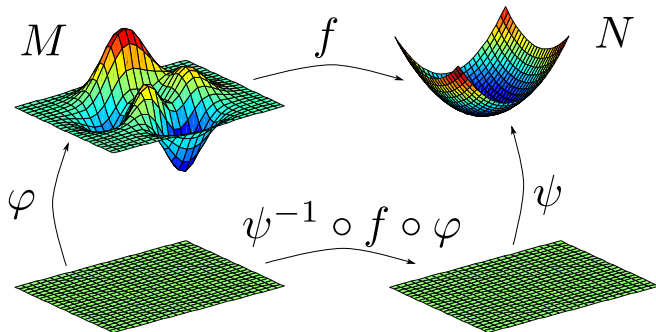


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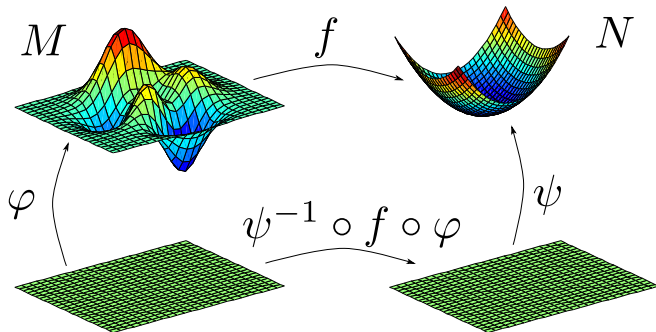
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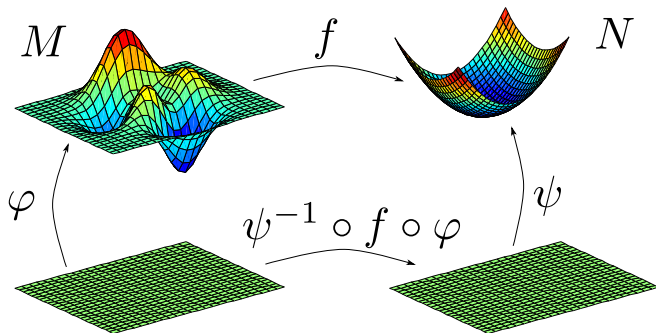
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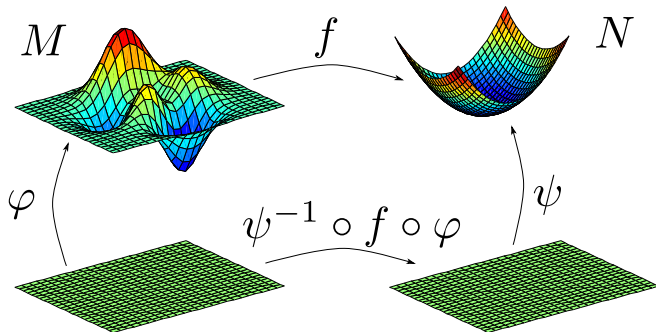


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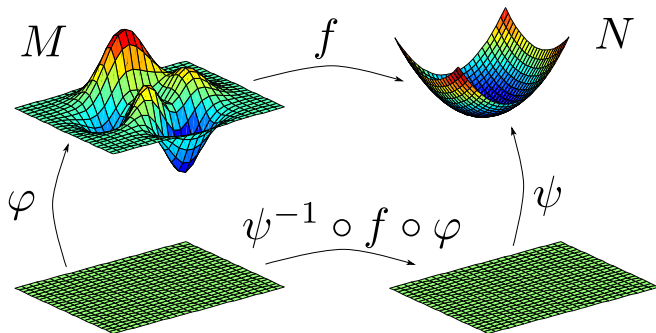
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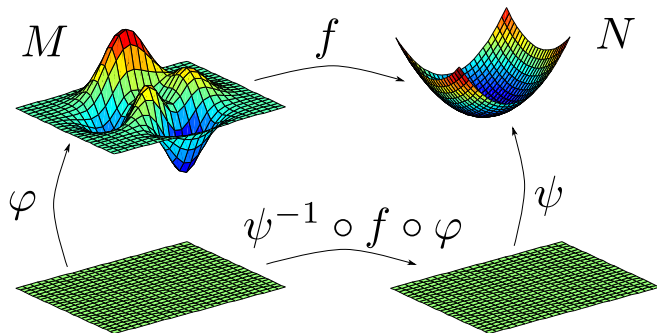
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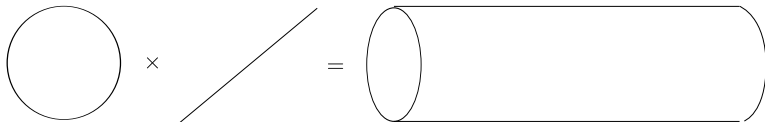
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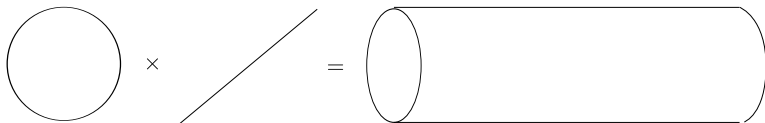
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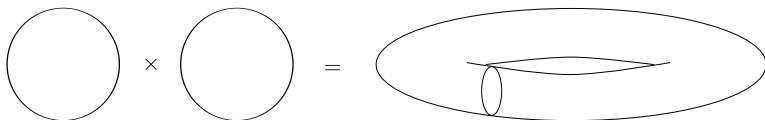


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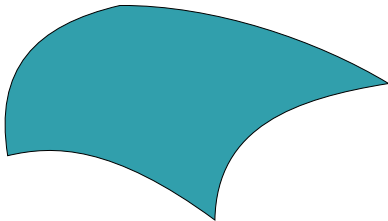
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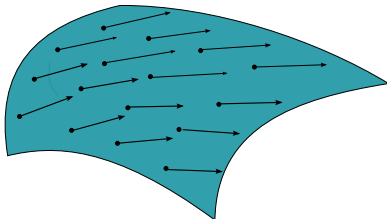
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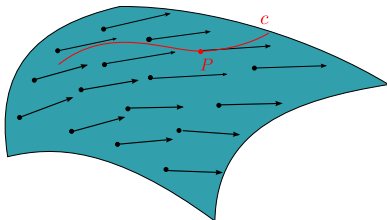
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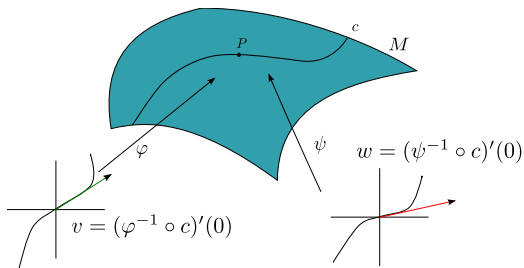
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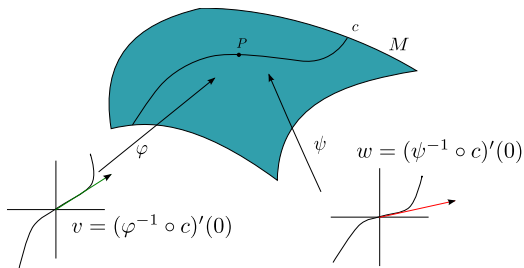
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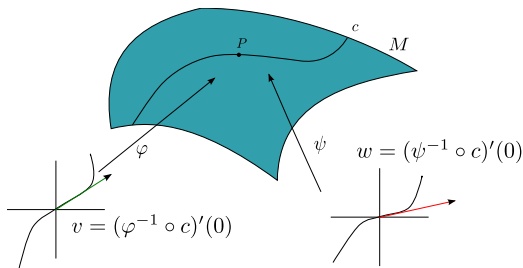
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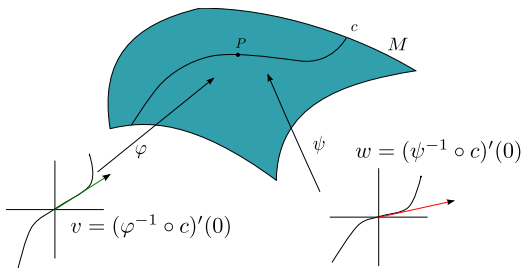
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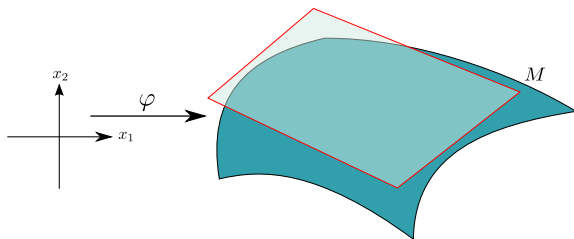
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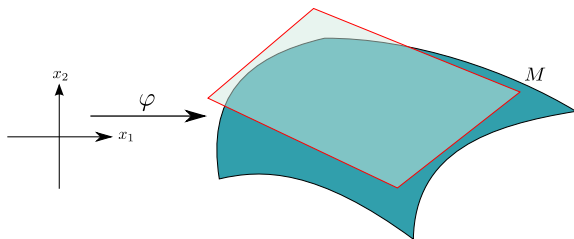
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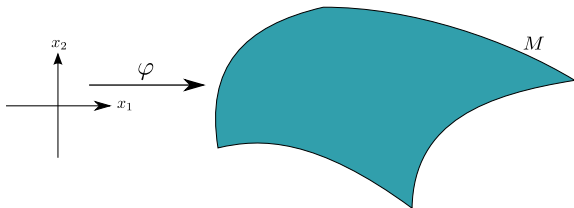
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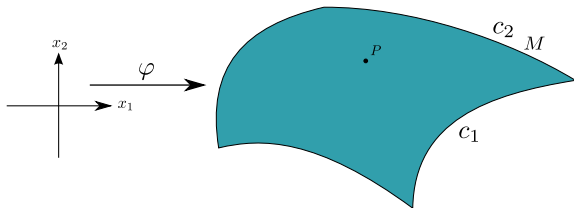
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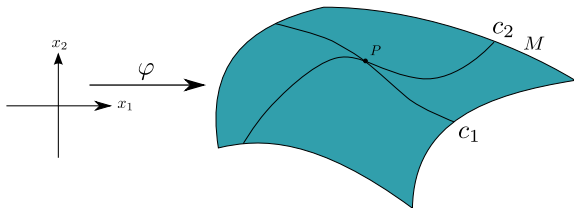
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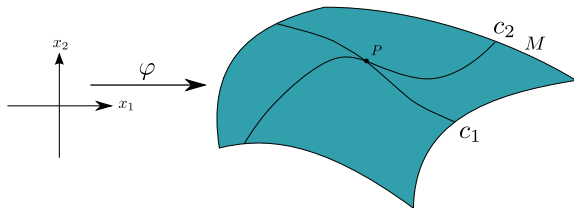


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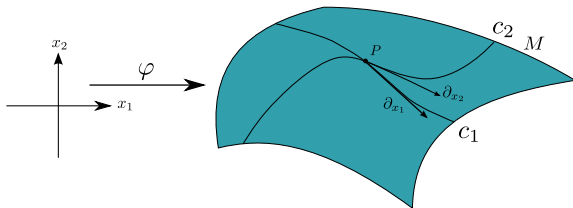


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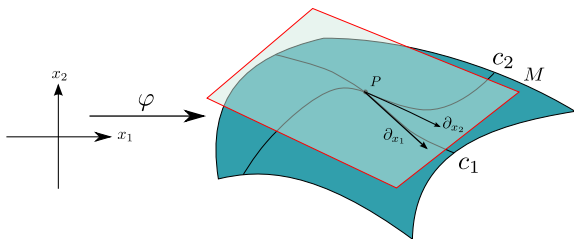


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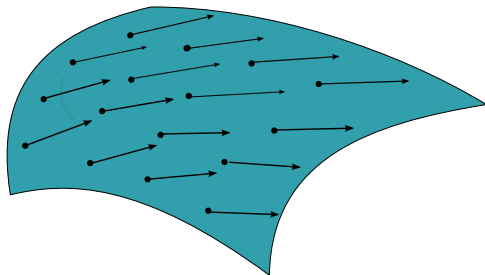
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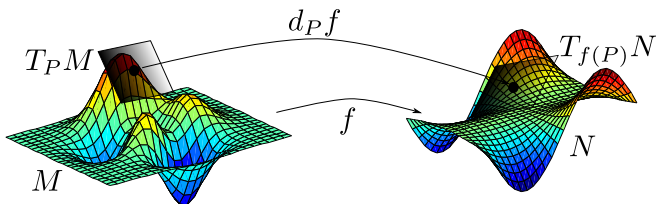
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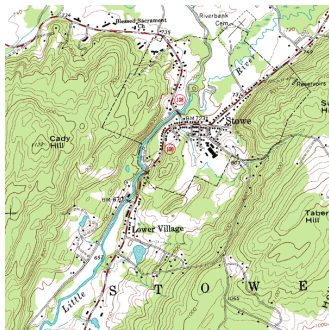
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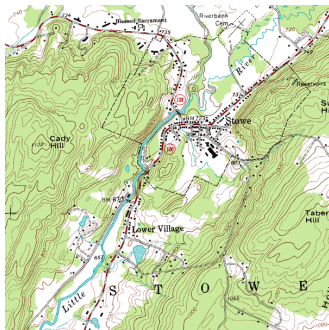


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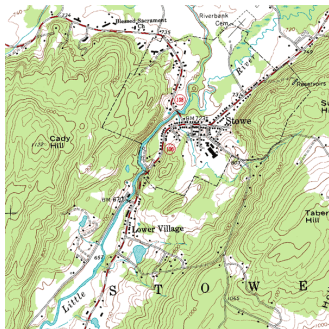


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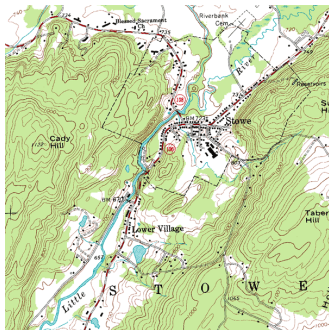


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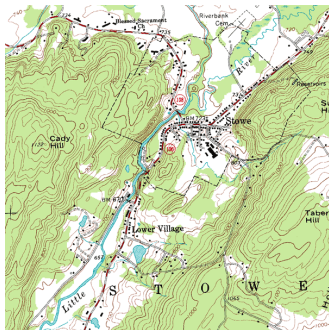


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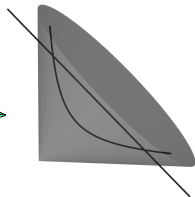
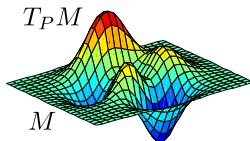
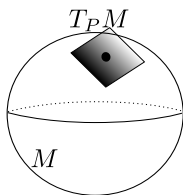


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Example: Induced Riemannian metric on submanifolds of \mathbb{R}^n

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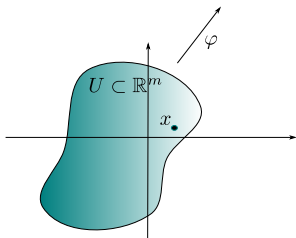
- Frobenius metric on $\mathcal{P}(n)$
 - $\mathcal{P}(n)$ is a convex subset of $\mathbb{R}^{(n^2+n)/2}$
 - The Euclidean inner product defines a Riemannian metric on $\mathcal{P}(n)$



Example: Fisher information metric

- Smooth manifold $M = \varphi(U)$ represents a family of probability distributions (M is a *statistical model*), $U \subset \mathbb{R}^m$
- Each point $P = \varphi(x) \in M$ is a probability distribution
 $P: \mathcal{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0}$

$M =$ probability distributions P on set \mathcal{Z}
 $P: \mathcal{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0} \quad \int_{\mathcal{Z}} P(z) dz = 1$



- The *Fisher information metric* of M at $P_x = \varphi(x)$ in coordinates φ defined by:

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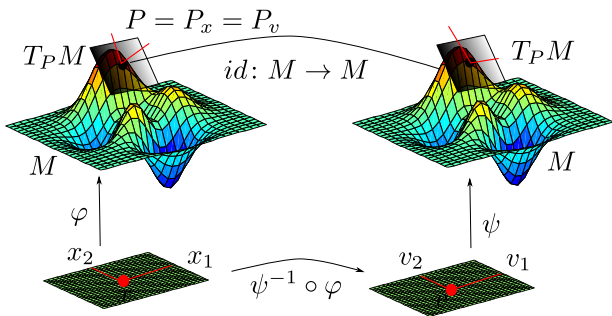
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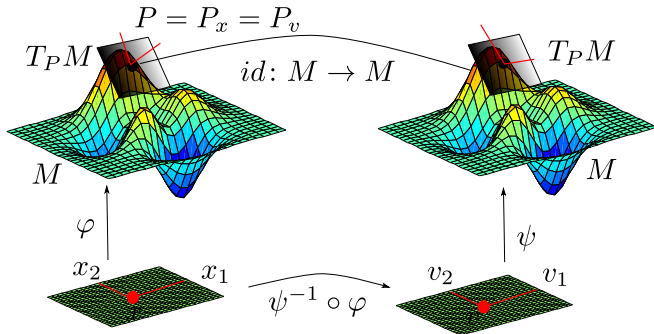
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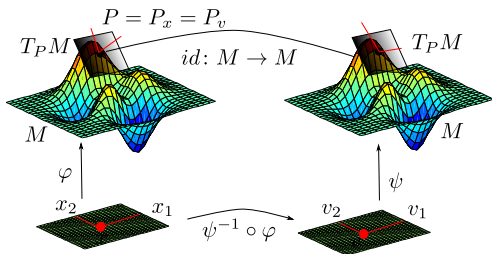


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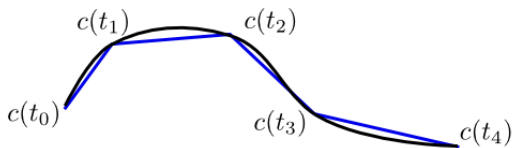


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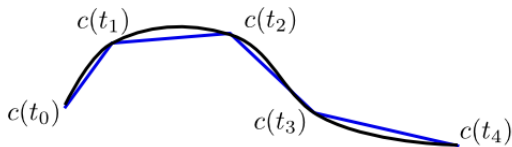


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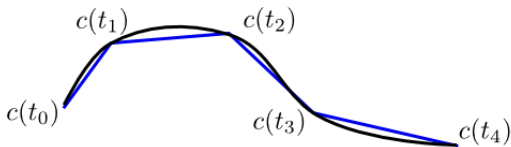


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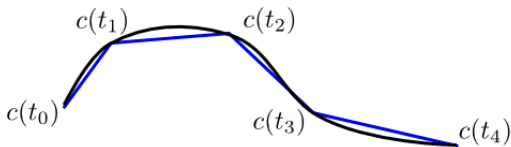


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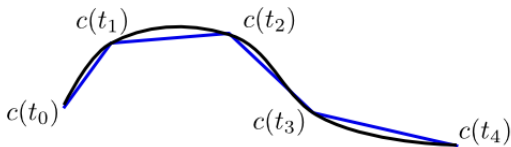


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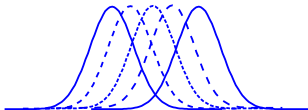
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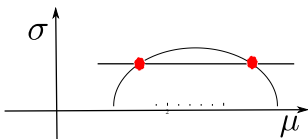
- Space parametrized by $(\mu, \sigma) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_+$
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Middle figure from Costa et al, Fisher information distance: a geometrical reading



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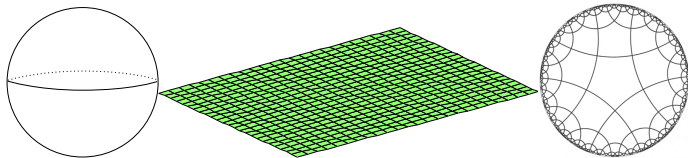
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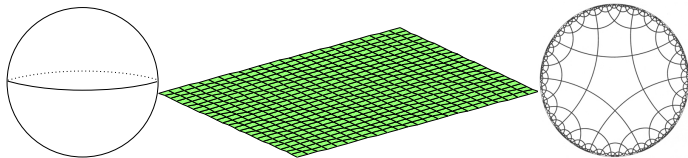
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 - Flat model space: Euclidean plane
 - Negatively curved model spaces: Hyperbolic space of curvature $\kappa < 0$



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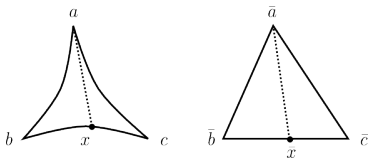


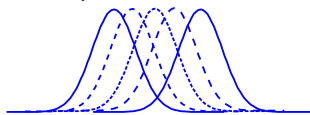
Figure : **Left:** Geodesic triangle in a negatively curved space. **Right:** Comparison triangle in the plane.

- A $CAT(\kappa)$ space is a metric space in which geodesic triangles are "thinner" than for their comparison triangles in the model space M_κ ; that is, $d(x, a) \leq d(\bar{x}, \bar{a})$.
- A locally $CAT(\kappa)$ space has curvature bounded from above by κ .
- Geodesic triangles are useful for intuition and proofs!

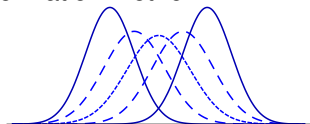


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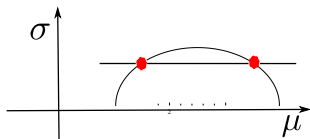


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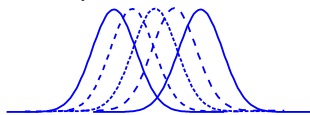
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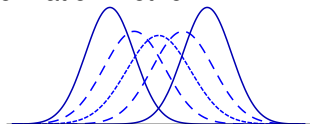


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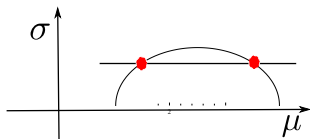


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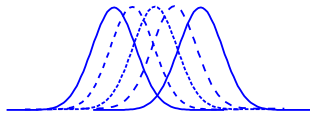
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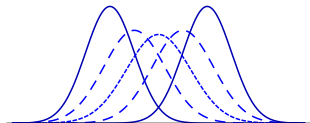


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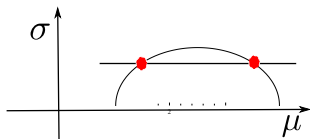


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- You will see these again with Stefan!



Relation to sectional curvature

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- Stronger notion of sectional curvature (requires a little more Riemannian geometry)

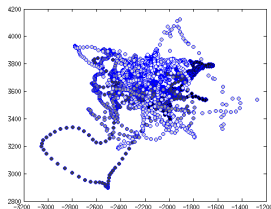
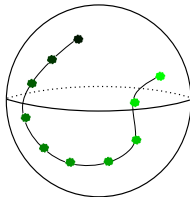
Theorem

A smooth Riemannian manifold M is (locally) $CAT(\kappa)$ if and only if the sectional curvature of M is $\leq \kappa$. □



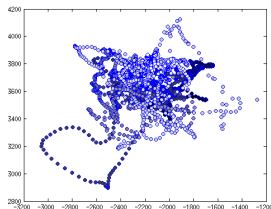
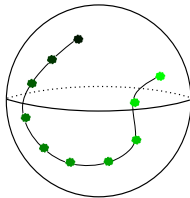
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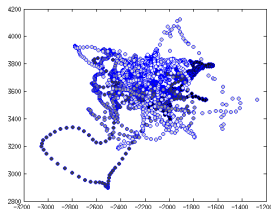
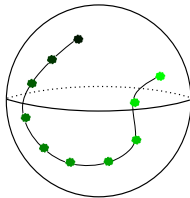
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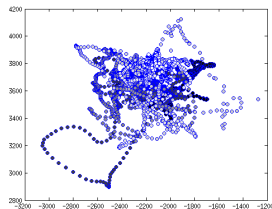
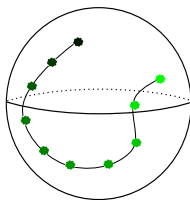
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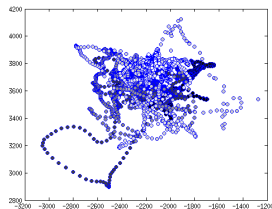
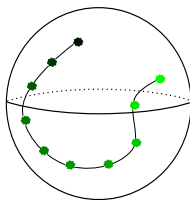
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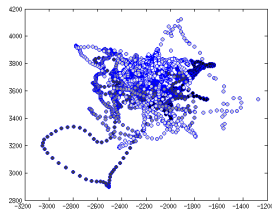
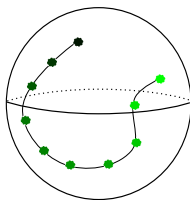
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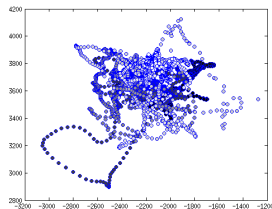
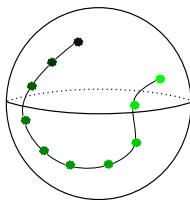
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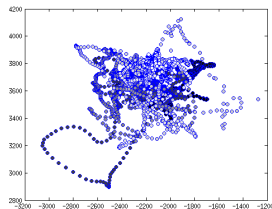
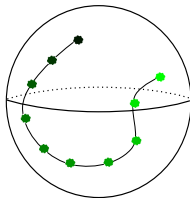
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A message from Stefan for tomorrow's practical

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