

Information Geometry of Matrices and Mean

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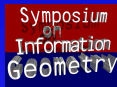
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Outline

- Generalization of means.
 - general concept of the mean
 - extension to more variables
 - extension to matrices
 - difficulties with combining these ideas together
- Means in quantum information geometry.
- More geometry related to the means.
 - examples

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For strictly positive numbers x, y
arithmetic mean

$$M_a(x, y) = \frac{x + y}{2}$$

geometric mean

$$M_g(x, y) = \sqrt{xy}$$

harmonic mean

$$M_h(x, y) = \frac{2}{\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y}}$$

Well-known inequality

$$M_h(x, y) \leq M_g(x, y) \leq M_a(x, y)$$

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Some natural questions related to means:

Is the function

$$M_{\log}(x, y) = \frac{x - y}{\log x - \log y}$$

is a mean? (*logarithmic mean*)

For more variables we have the intuition

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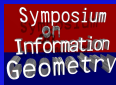
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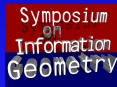
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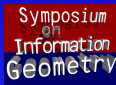
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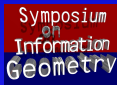
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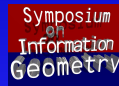
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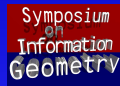
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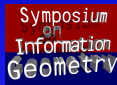
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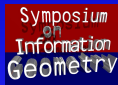
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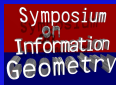
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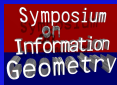
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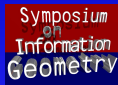
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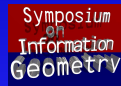
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Proof:

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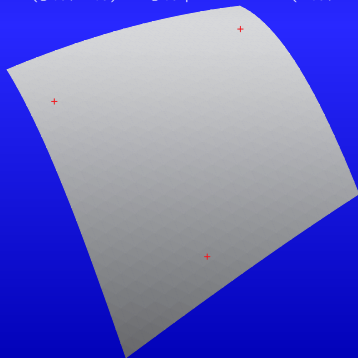
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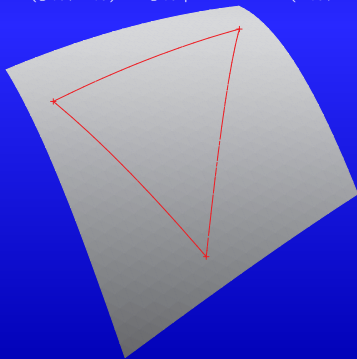
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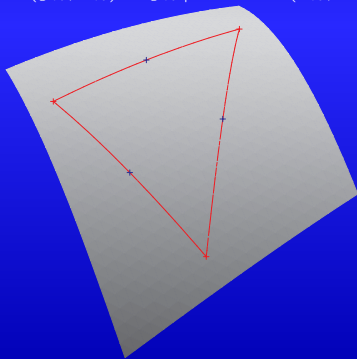
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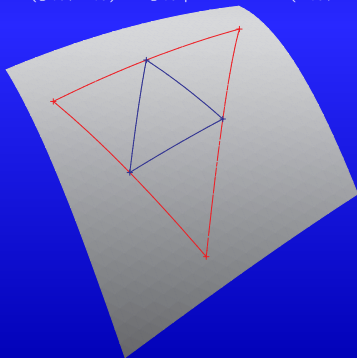
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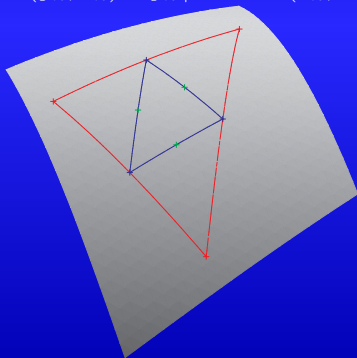
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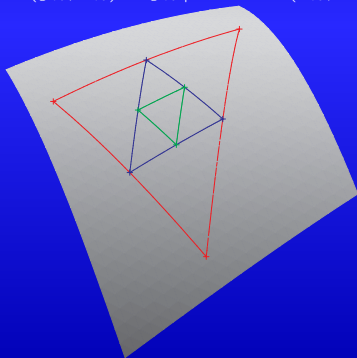
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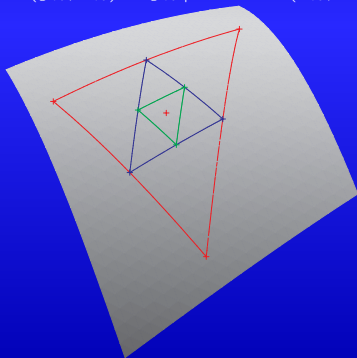
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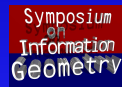
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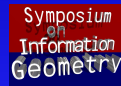
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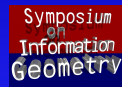
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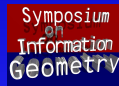
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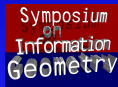
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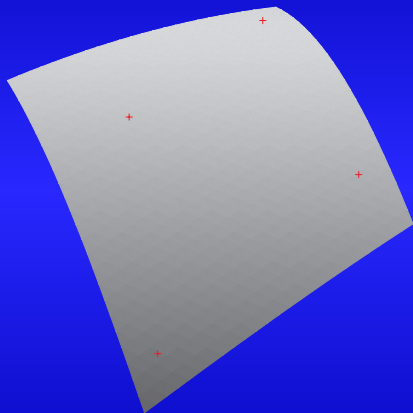
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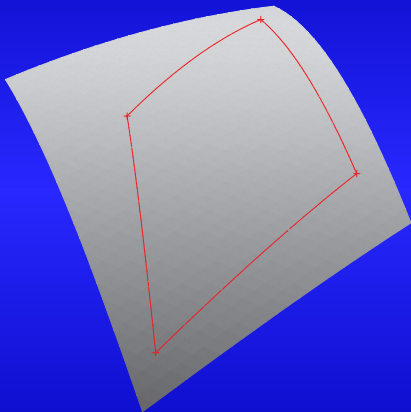
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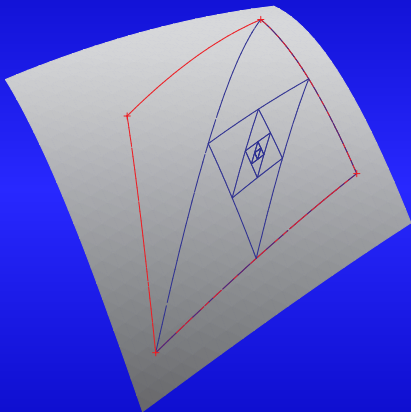
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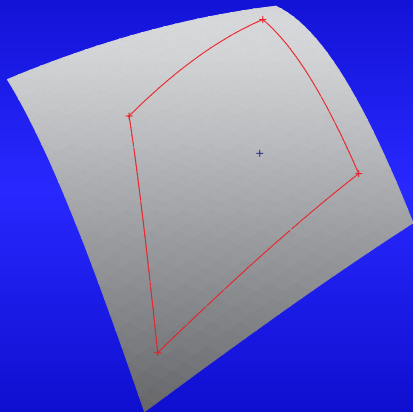
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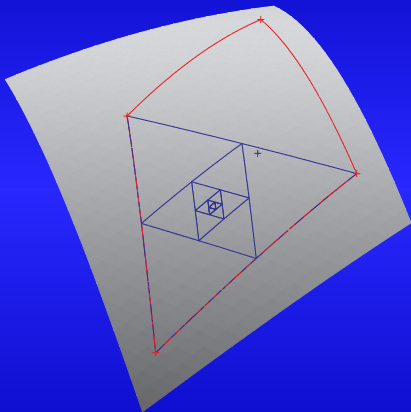
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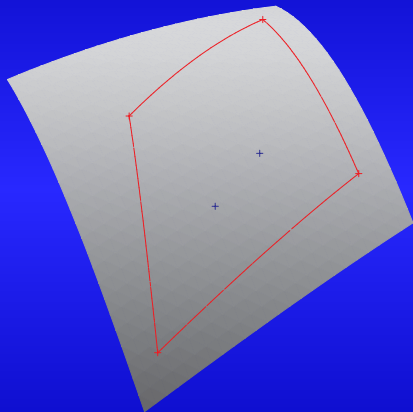
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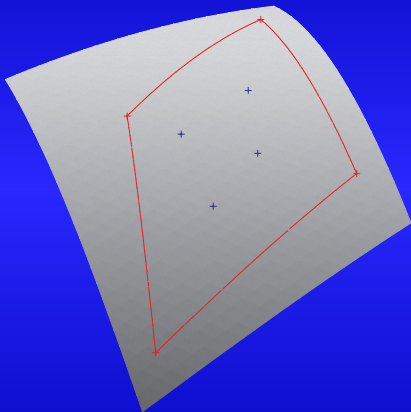
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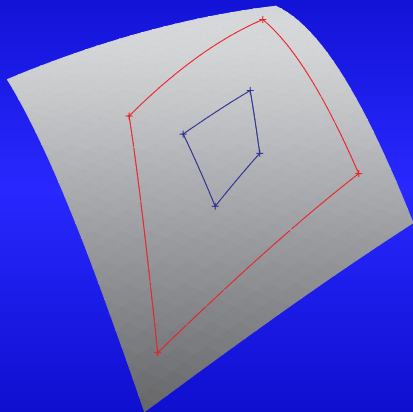
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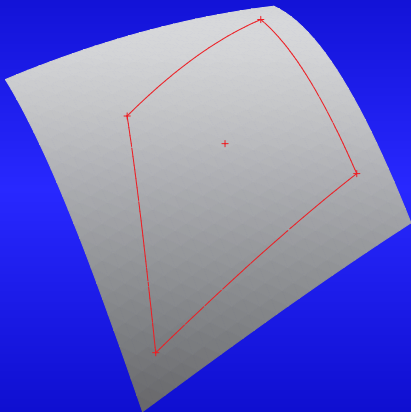
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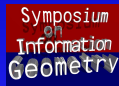
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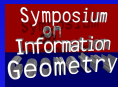
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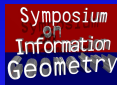
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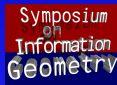
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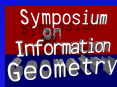
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$$f(x) = \frac{500x}{999x + 1} + \frac{500x}{x + 999}$$

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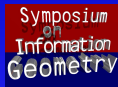
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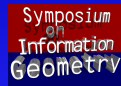
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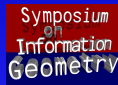
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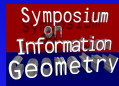
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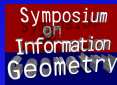
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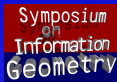
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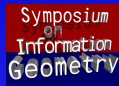
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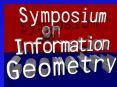
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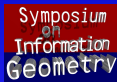
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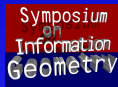
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Theorem (*Petz*): Assume that for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$ the pair (\mathcal{M}_n, g_n) is a Riemannian-manifold. If for every stochastic map T the following monotonicity property holds

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then there exists an operator monotone function $f : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with the property $f(x) = xf(x^{-1})$, such that

$$g_D(X, Y) = \text{Tr} \left(X \left(R_{n,D}^{\frac{1}{2}} f(L_{n,D} R_{n,D}^{-1}) R_{n,D}^{\frac{1}{2}} \right)^{-1} (Y) \right).$$

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$$f(x) = \frac{x-1}{\log x} : g_D^{(\text{KM})}(X, Y) = \text{Tr} \int_0^\infty X(D+t)^{-1}Y(D+t)^{-1} dt$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1+x}{2} : g_D^{(\text{SM})}(X, Y) = \text{Tr}(XZ_{D,Y}),$$

where $Z_{D,Y}$ is the solution of the equation

$$2Y = DZ_{D,Y} + Z_{D,Y}D.$$

We have the inequality

$$g_D^{(\text{SM})}(X, X) \leq g_D^{(f)}(X, X) \leq g_D^{(\text{LA})}(X, X).$$

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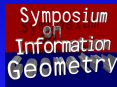
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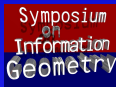
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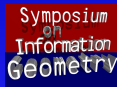
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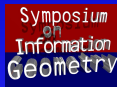
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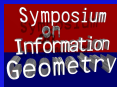
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is $\ddot{\gamma}(t) = -\frac{g'(\gamma(t))}{2g(\gamma(t))} (\dot{\gamma}(t))^2$

and its solution $\gamma(t) = C_1 + C_2 t$

which satisfies $\gamma(0) = x, \gamma(1) = y$

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2. Consider the following metric $g(t) = t^{2(p-1)}$: ($p \neq 1$)

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and its solution

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(Power-mean and Geometric Mean.)

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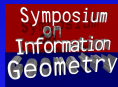
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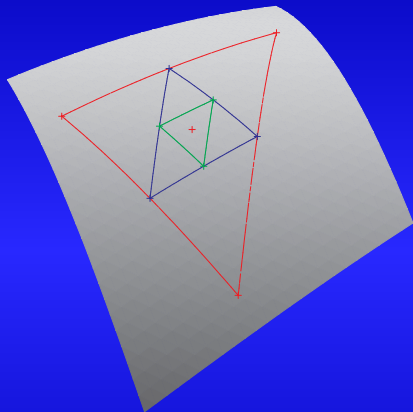
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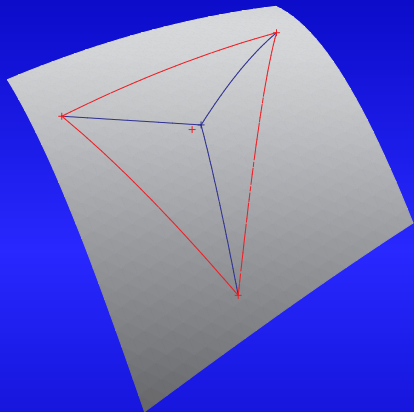
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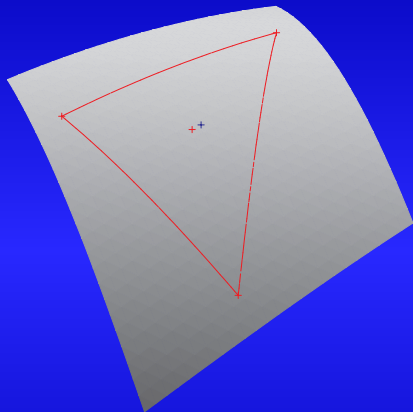
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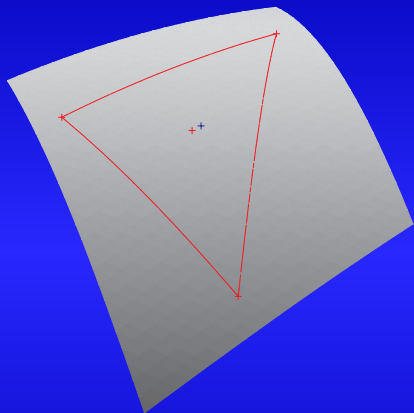
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(Fisher information metric on the space of Gaussian distributions.)

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 $\gamma_2(t) : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\ddot{\gamma}_1(t) - \dot{\gamma}_1(t) \gamma_1(t)^{-1} \dot{\gamma}_1(t) = 0$$

$$\ddot{\gamma}_2(t) + \gamma_1(t)^{-1} \dot{\gamma}_1(t) \dot{\gamma}_2(t) = 0$$

...skip the details...

$$\tilde{M}((X, \underline{x}), (Y, \underline{y})) = \left(X^{1/2} (X^{-1/2} Y X^{-1/2})^{1/2} X^{1/2}, \right.$$

$$\left. \underline{x} + \left[\exp \left(\frac{1}{2} X^{-1/2} \log(X^{-1/2} Y X^{-1/2}) X^{1/2} \right) + I_n \right]^{-1} (\underline{y} - \underline{x}) \right).$$

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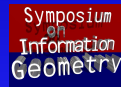
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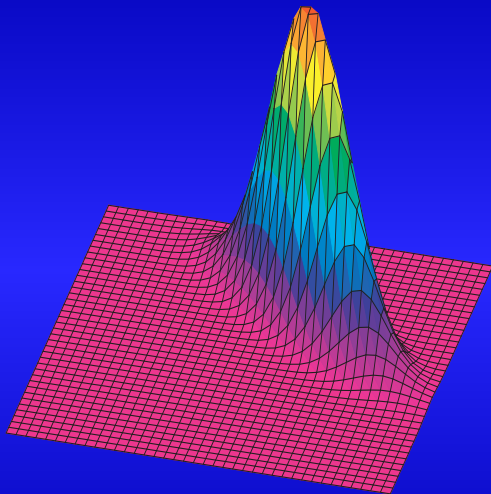
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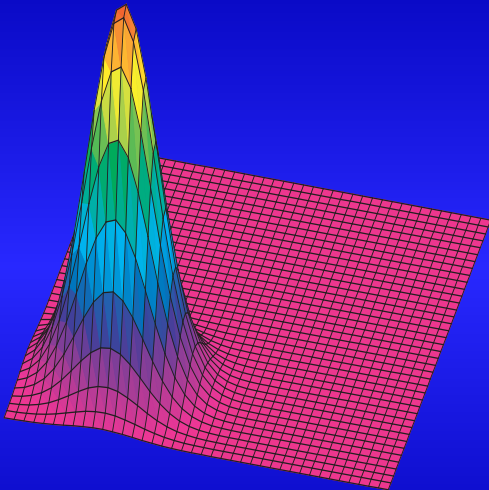
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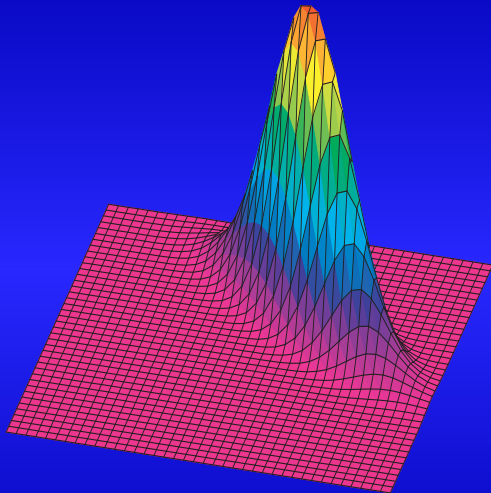
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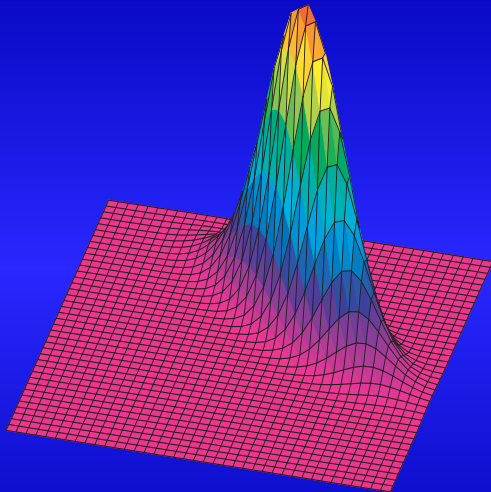
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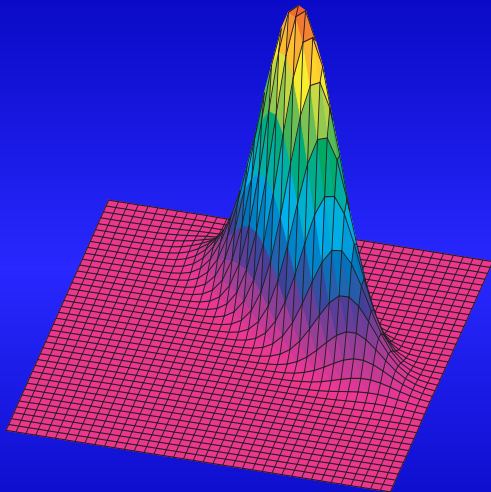
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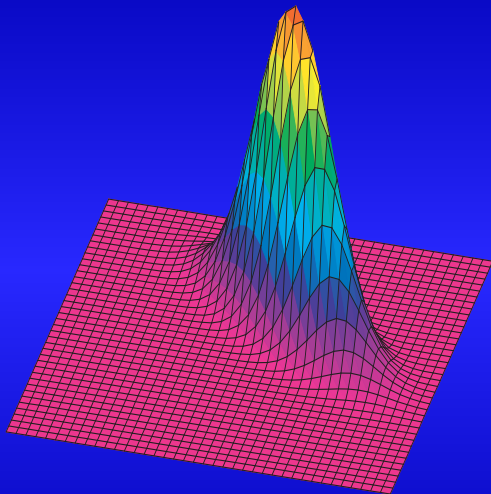
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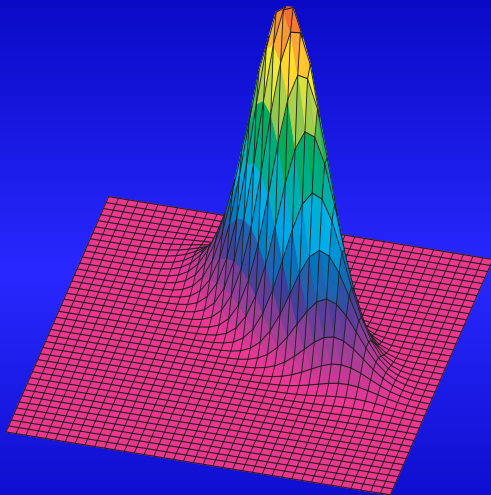
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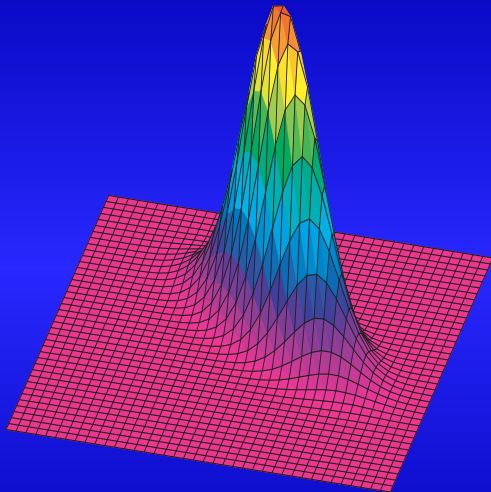
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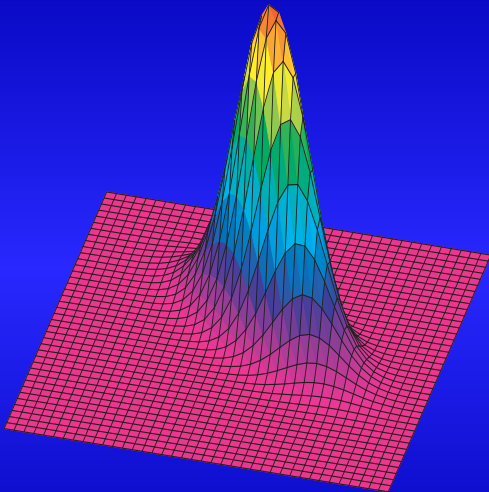
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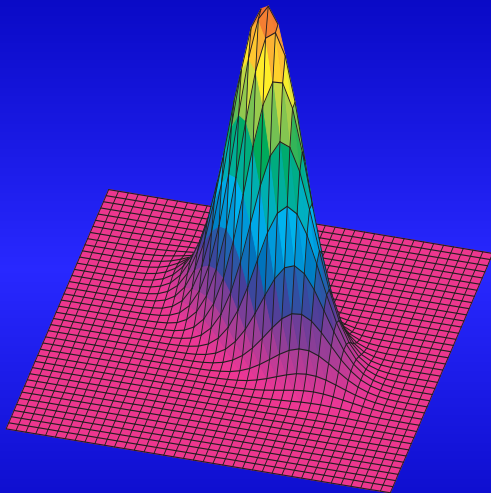
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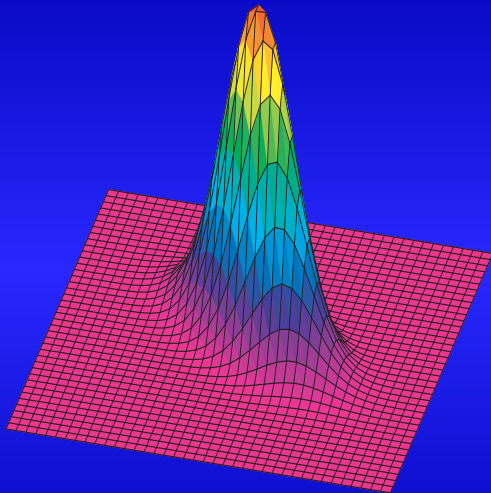
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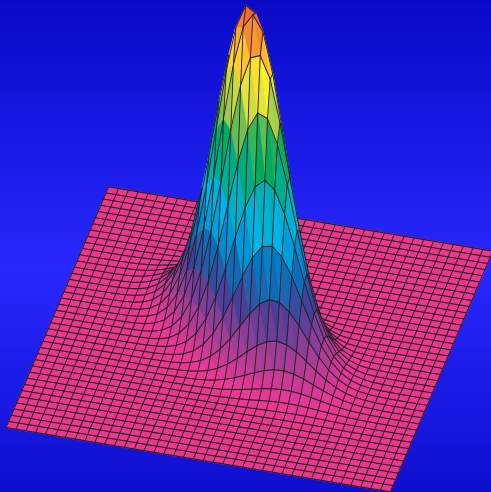
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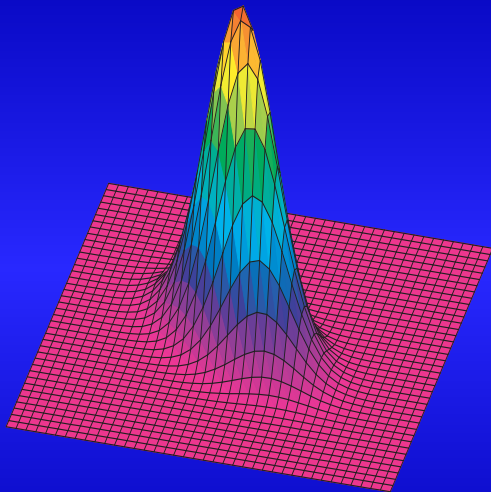
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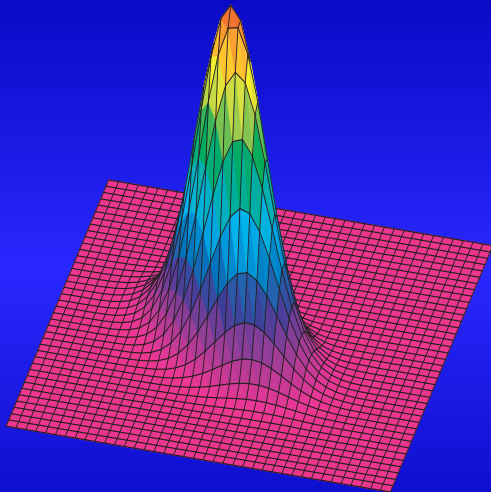
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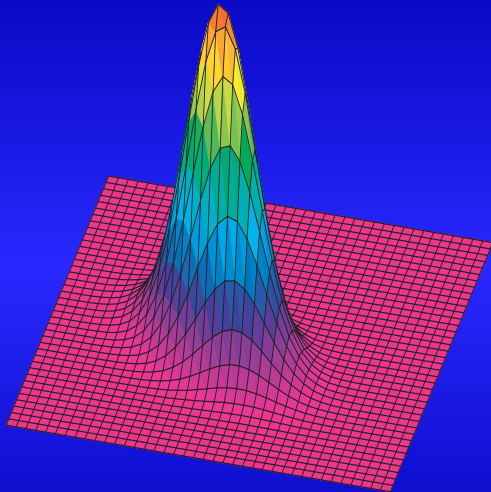
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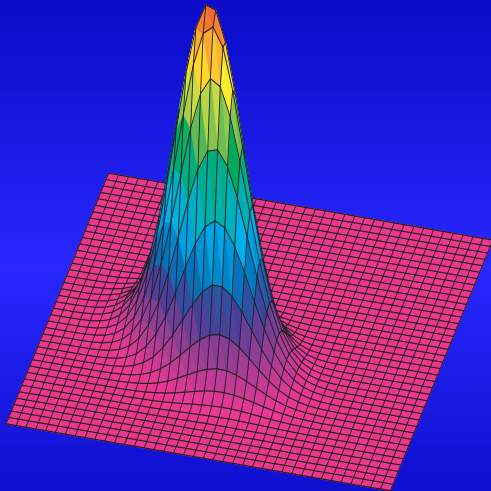
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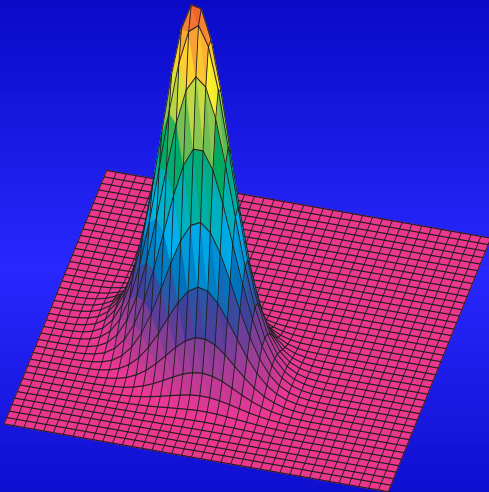
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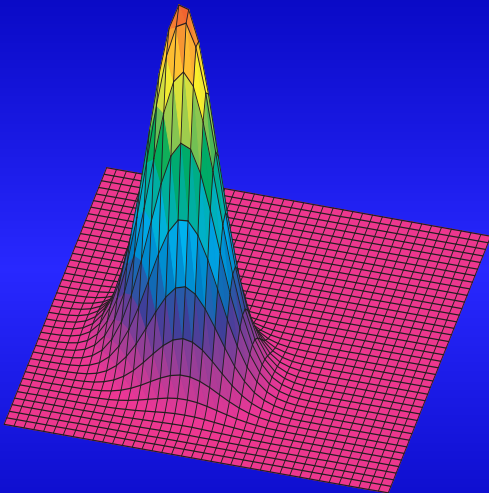
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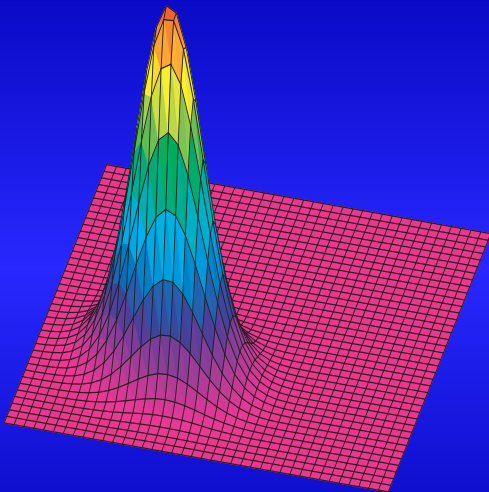
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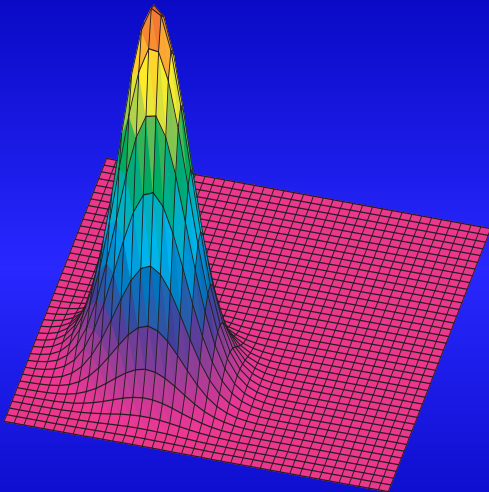
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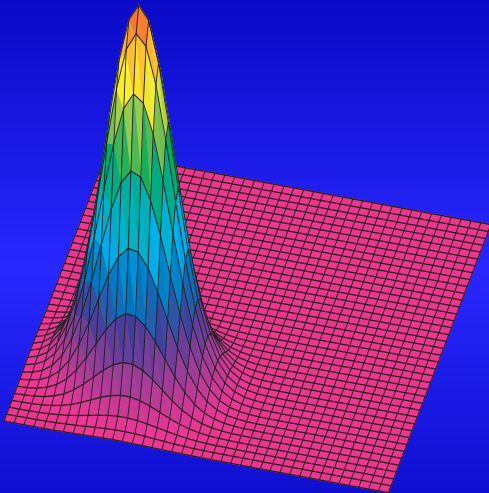
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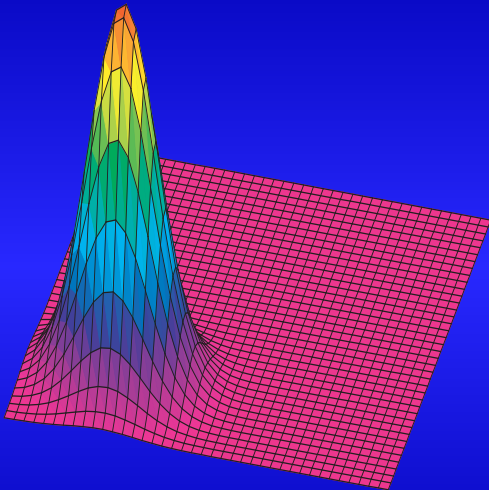
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which satisfies $\gamma(0) = X$, $\dot{\gamma}(0) = Y$

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in this case

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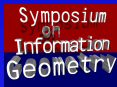
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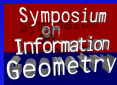
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