MAT 552

Introduction to

Lie Groups and Lie Algebras

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Theorem. Let g be a Riemannian metric on M.

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Proof also works if g is just pseudo-Riemannian:

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Of course, such curves can more generally be defined on any manifold with affine connection ∇ .

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Example. Let **G** be a Lie group, and let *g* be a bi-invariant pseudo-Riemannian metric.

Same conclusion: geodesics through **e** are the

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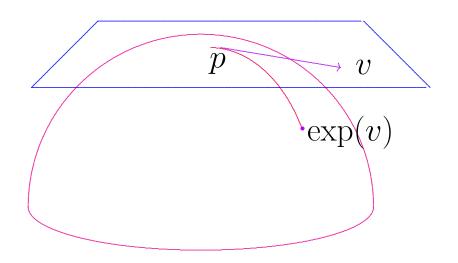
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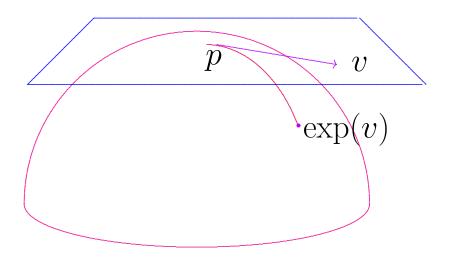
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Any of these implies

• any $p, q \in M$ joined by a minimizing geodesic segment.