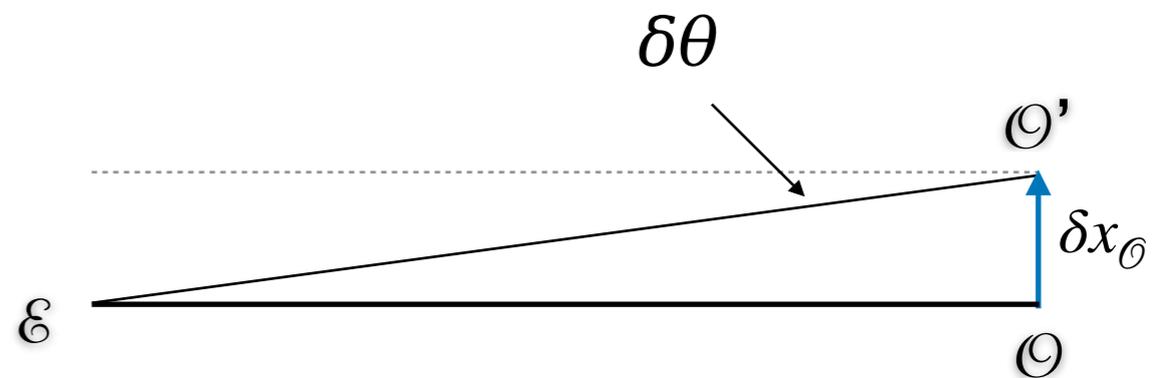
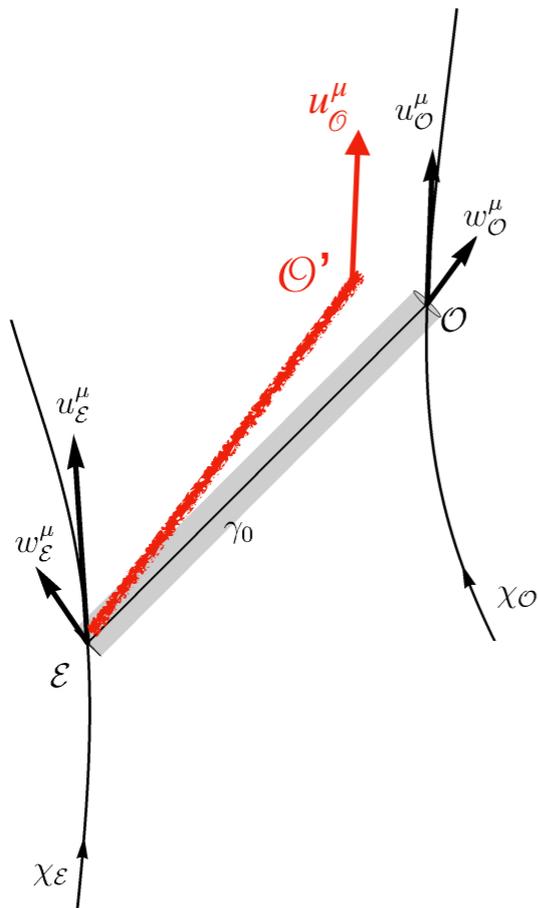


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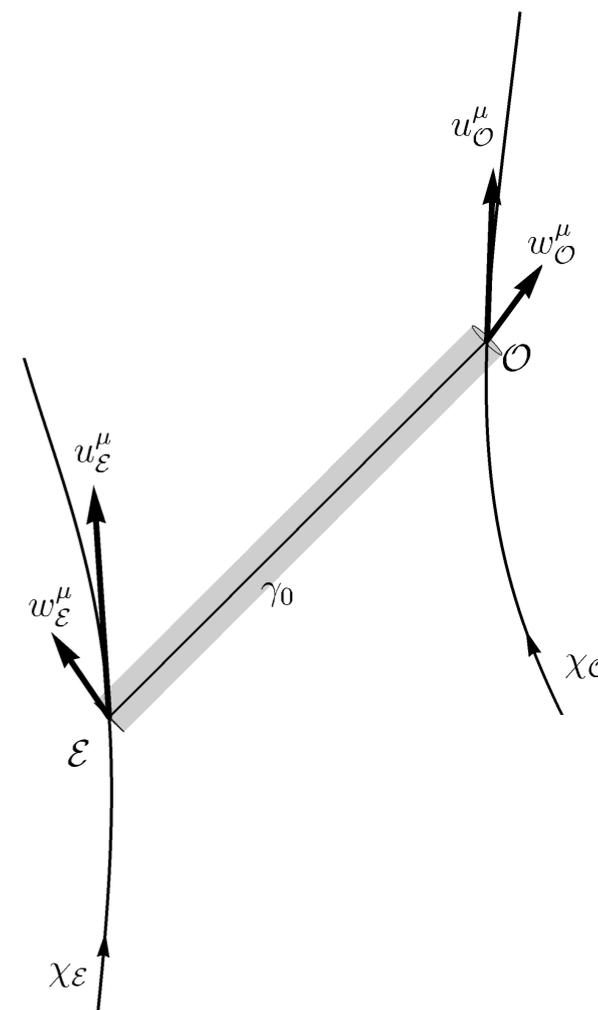
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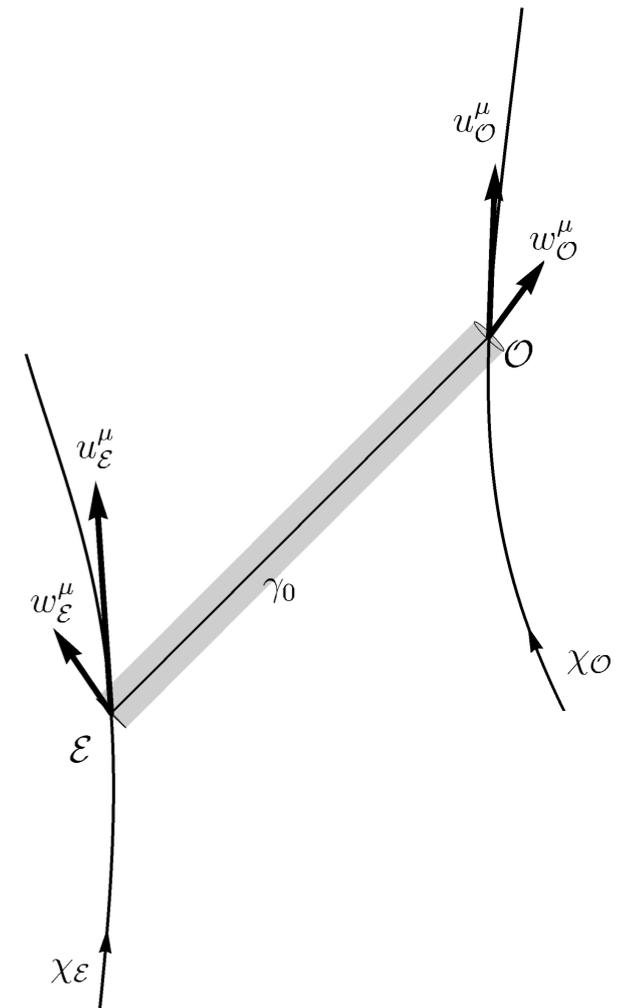
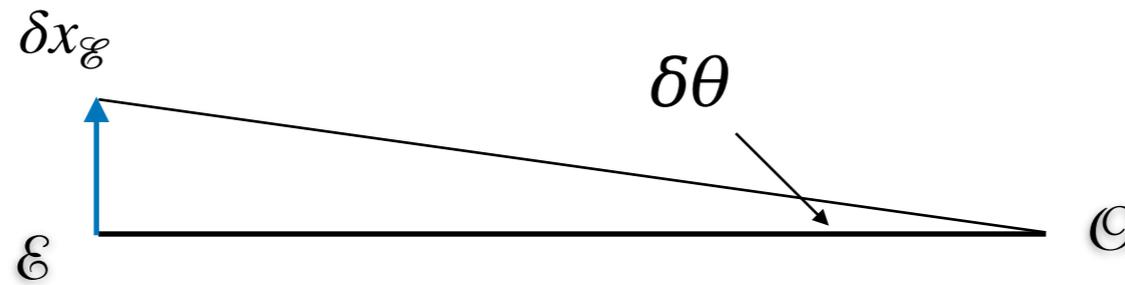
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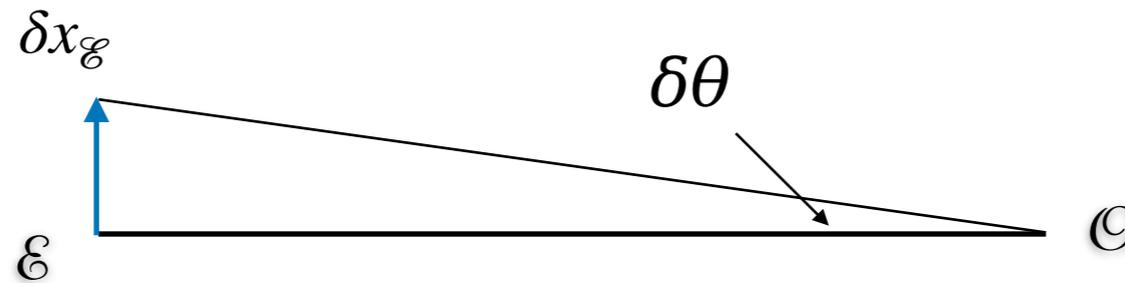
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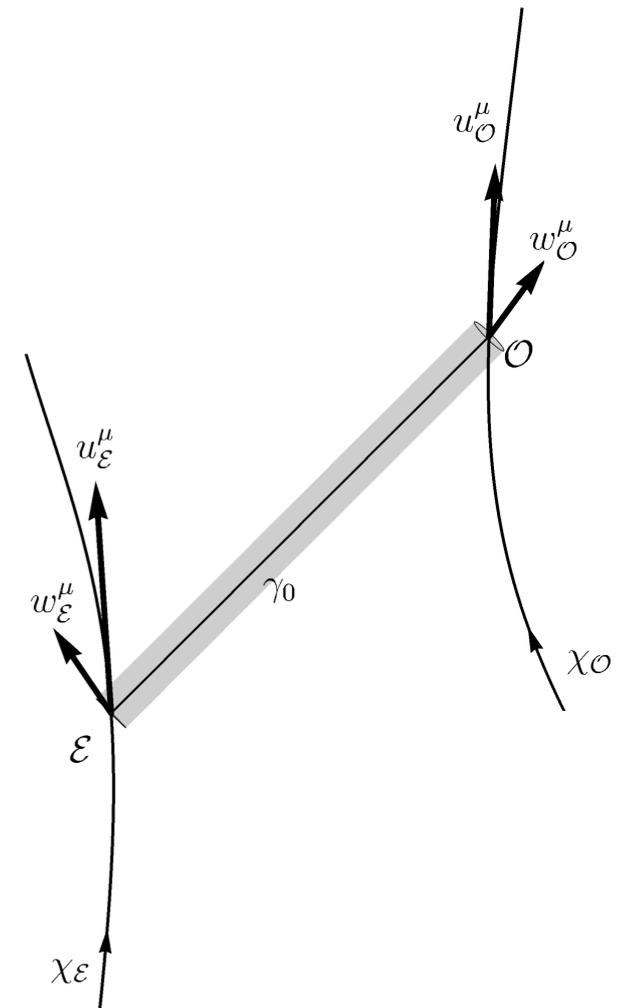


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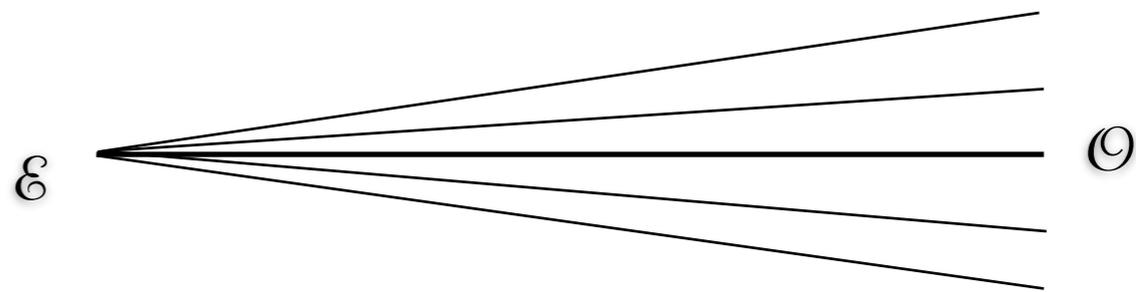


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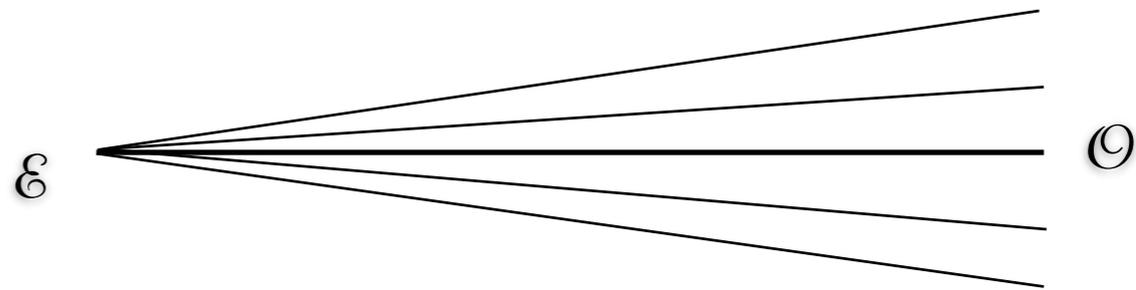


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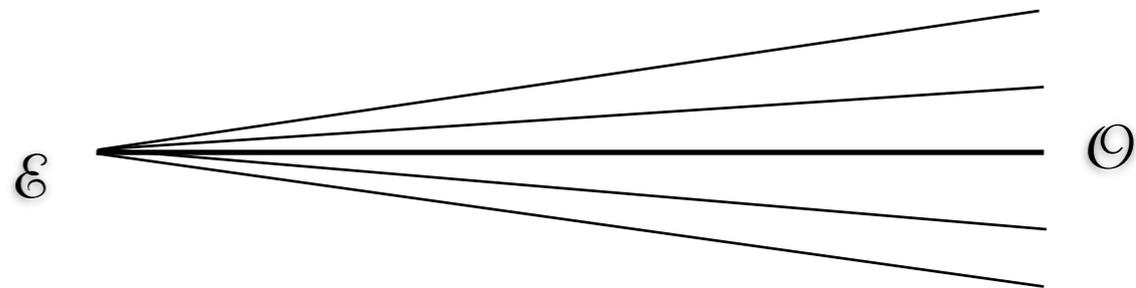
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[Etherington 1933, Penrose 1966, ... Uzun 2019]

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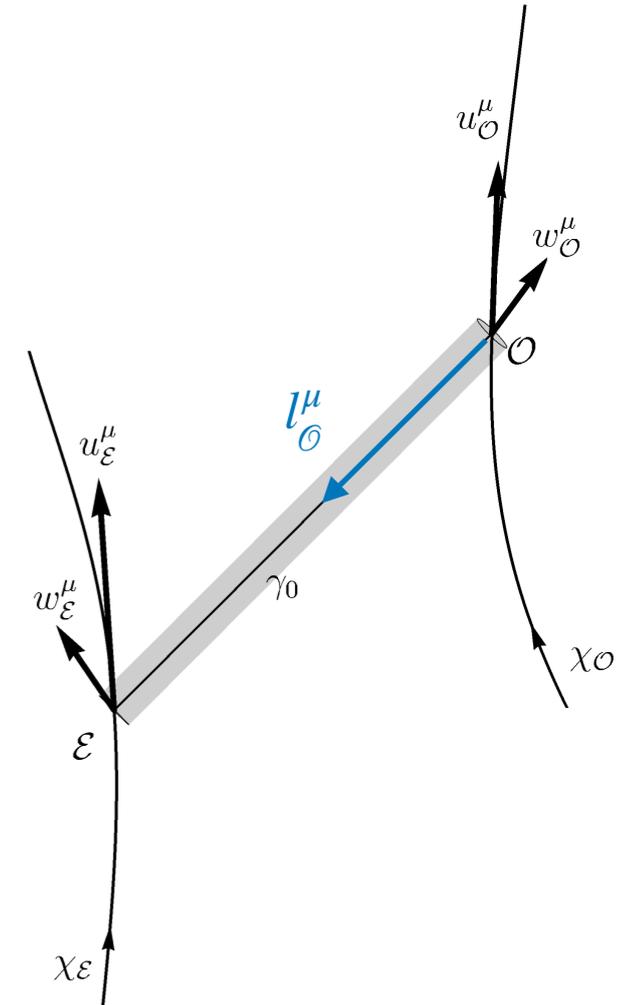
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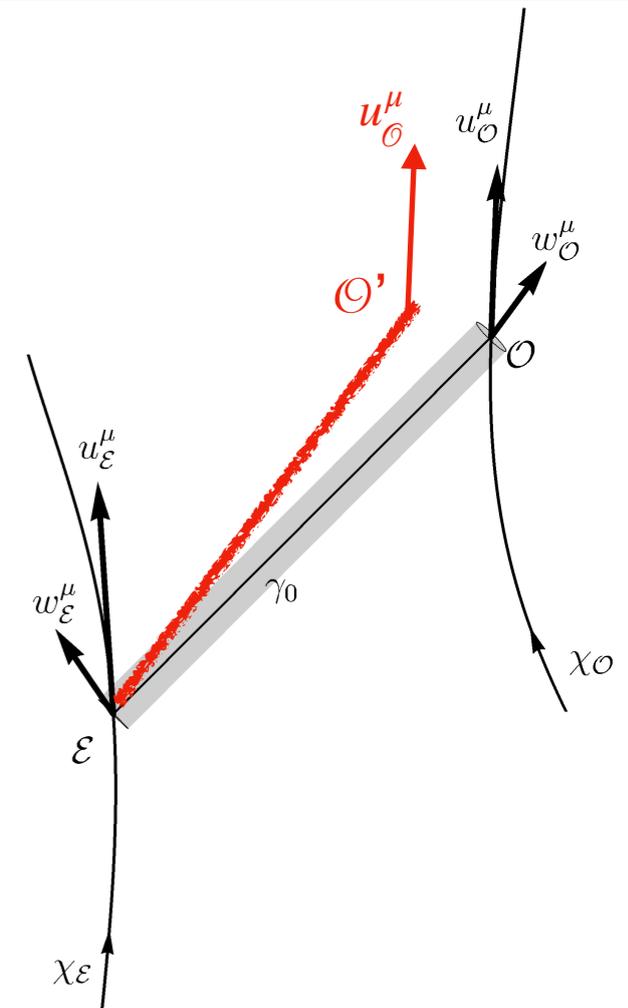


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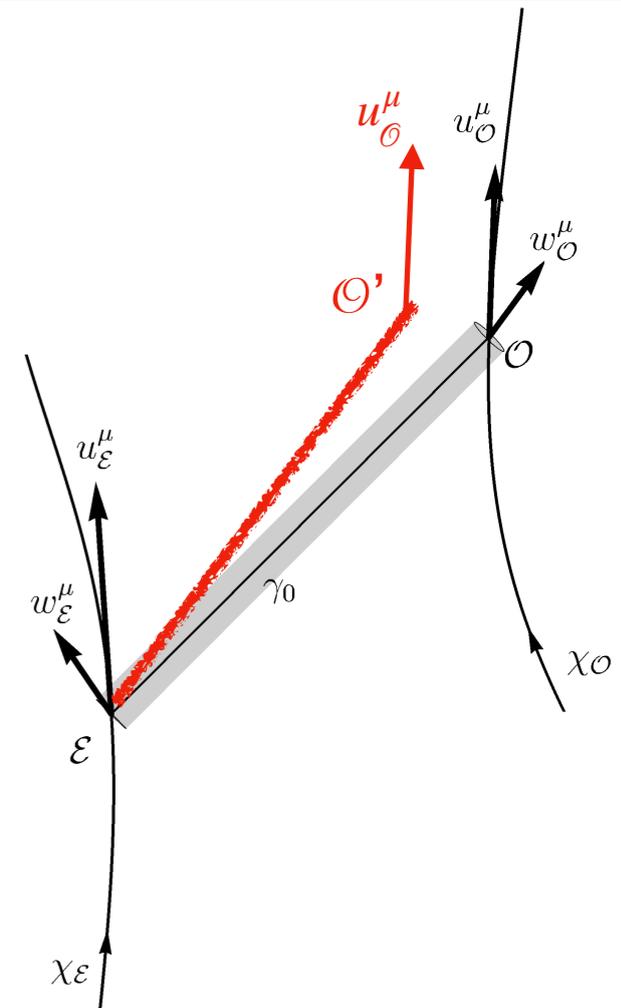
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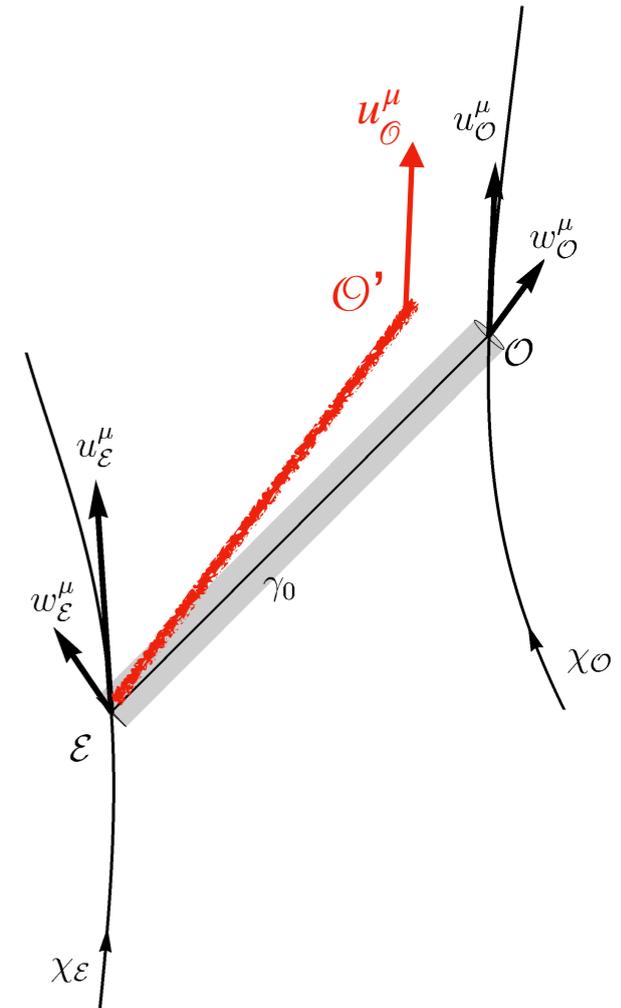
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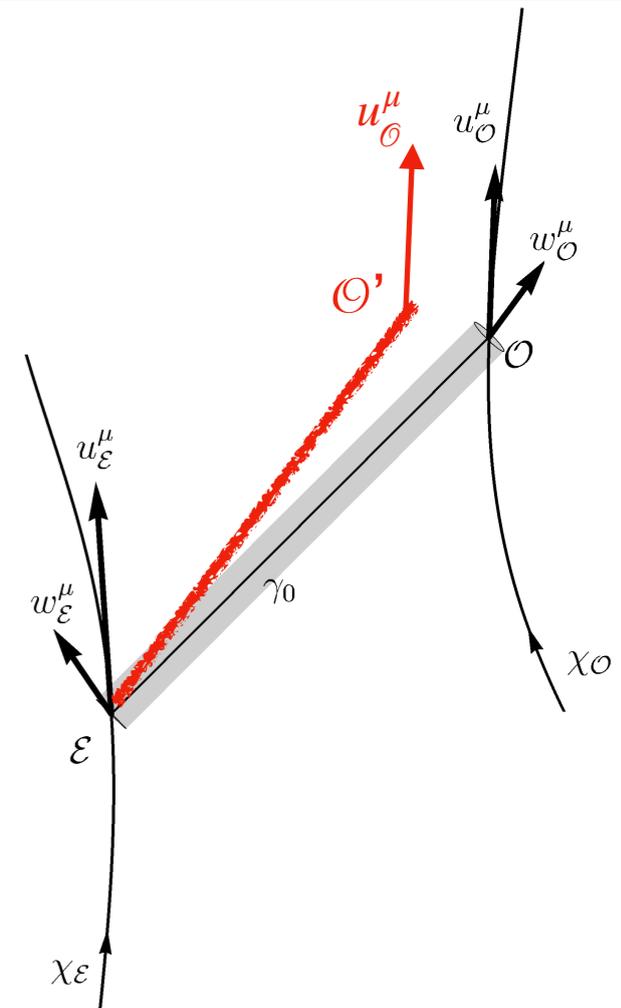
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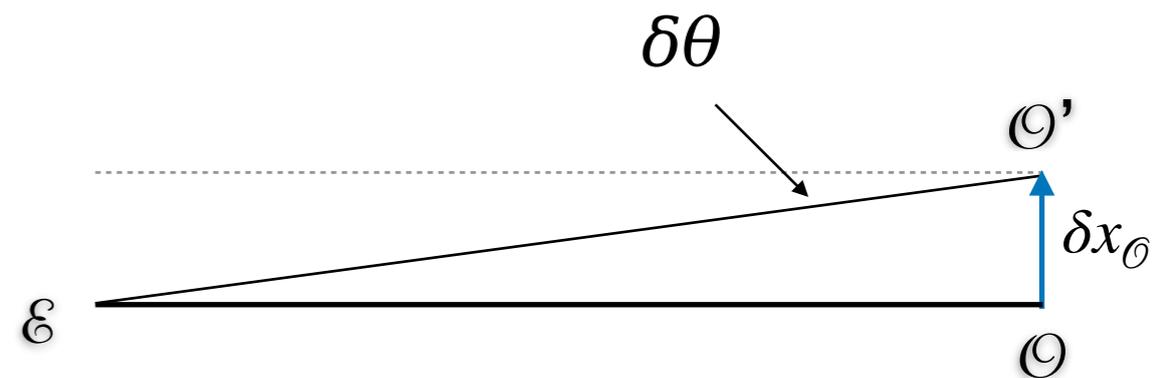
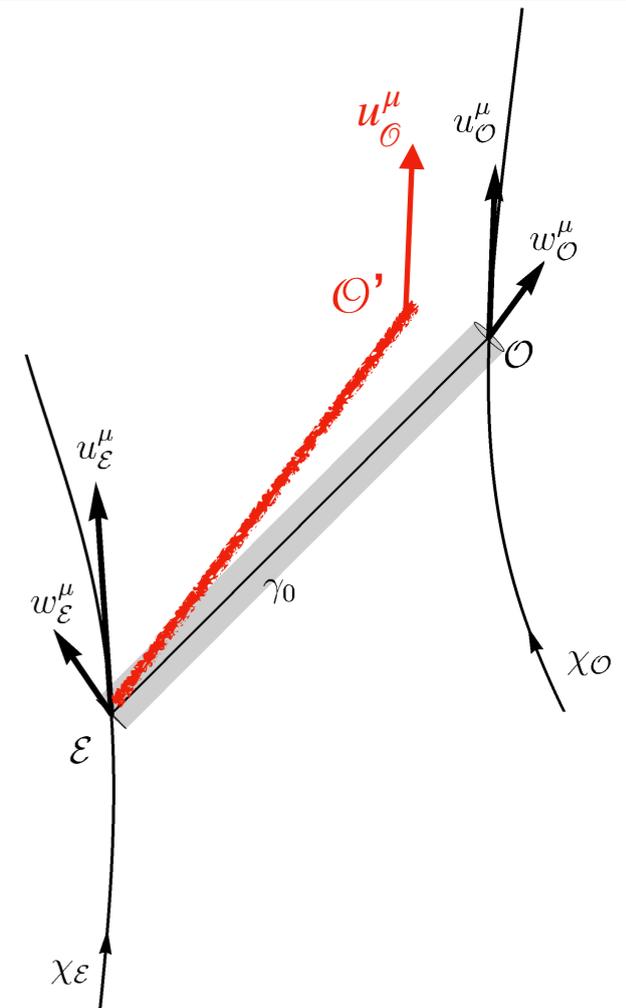


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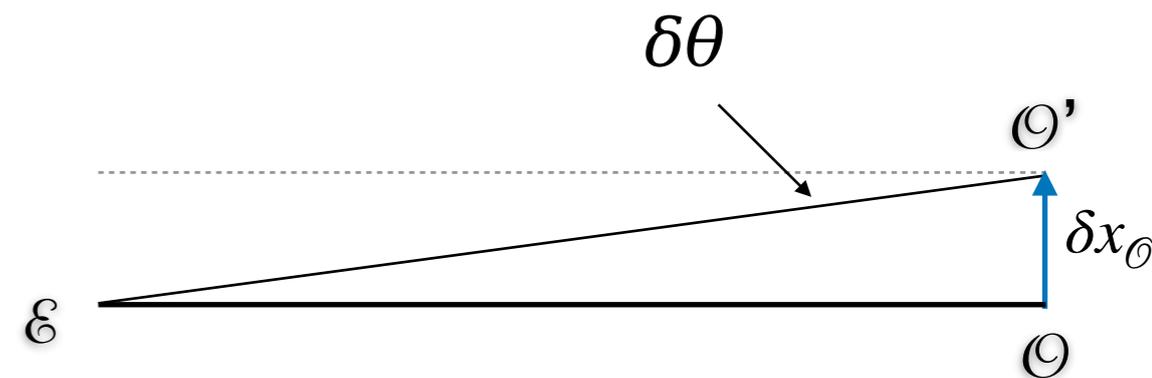
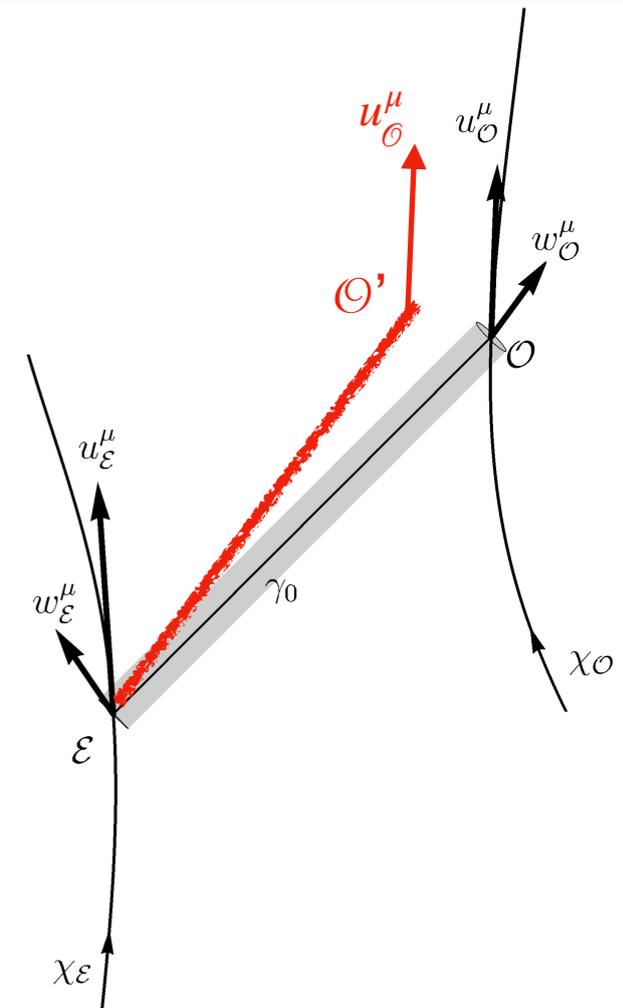
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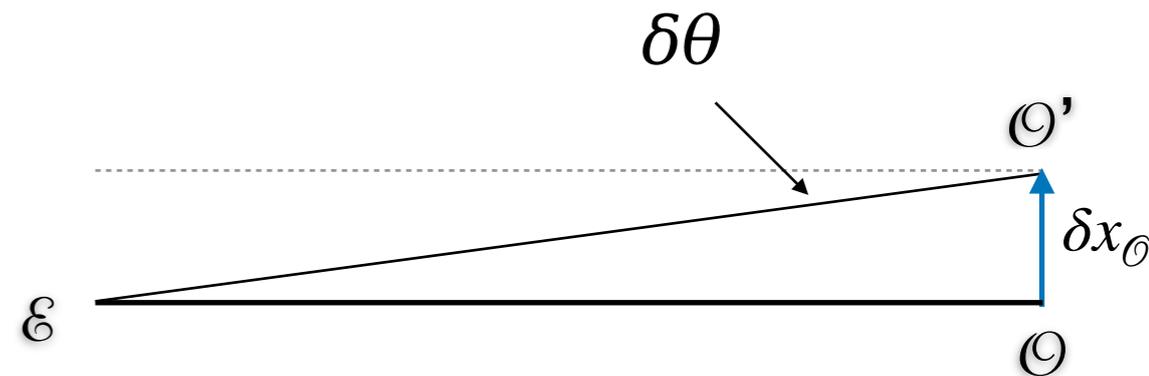
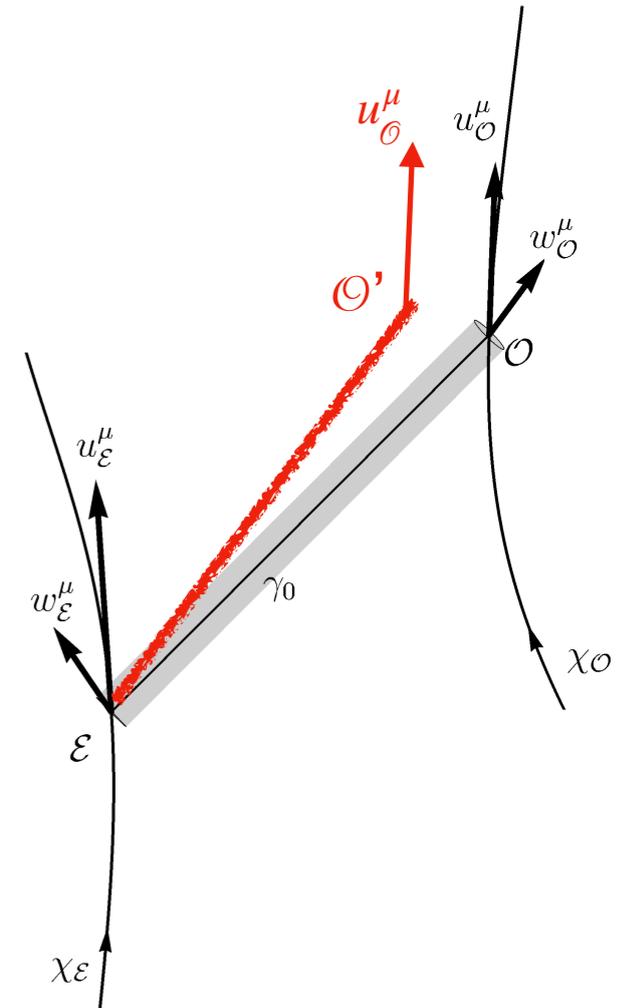
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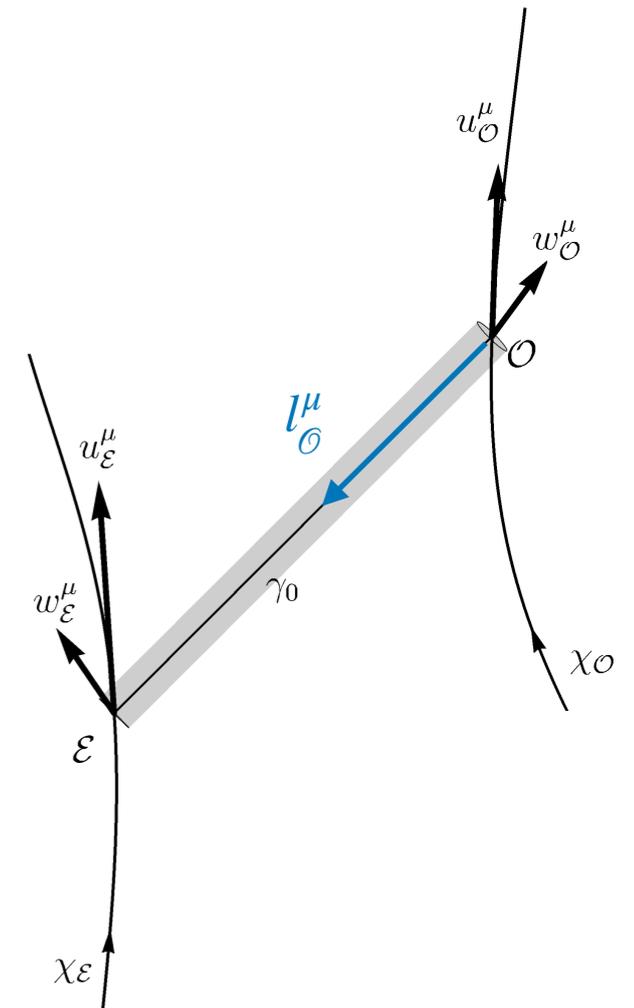
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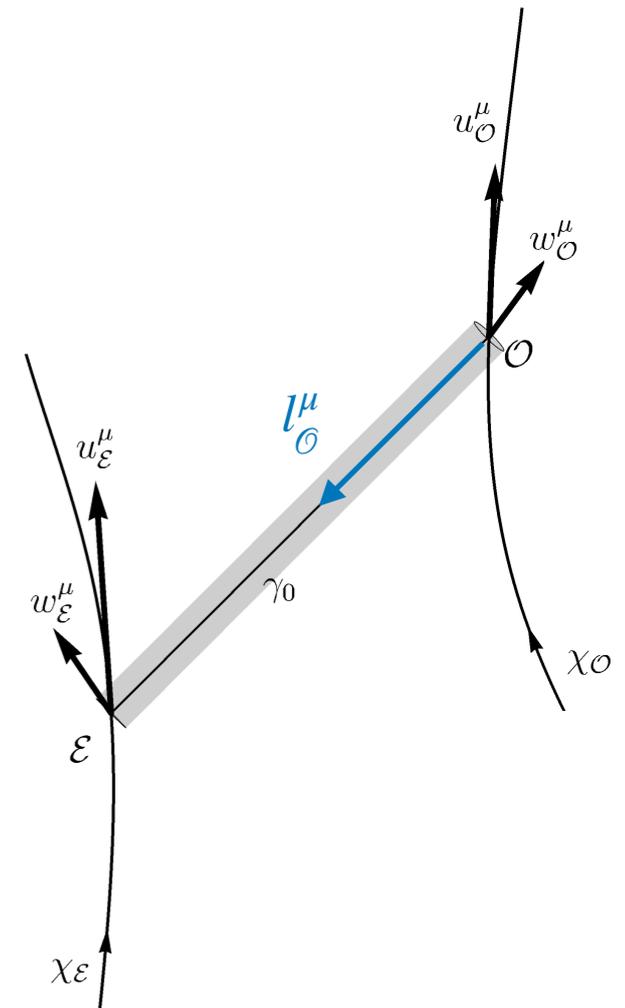
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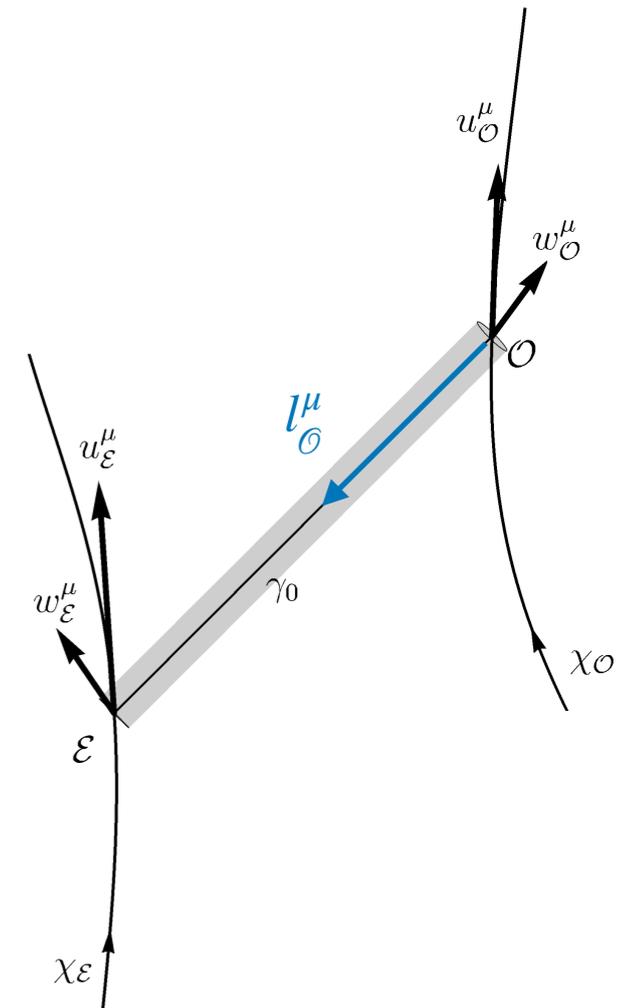
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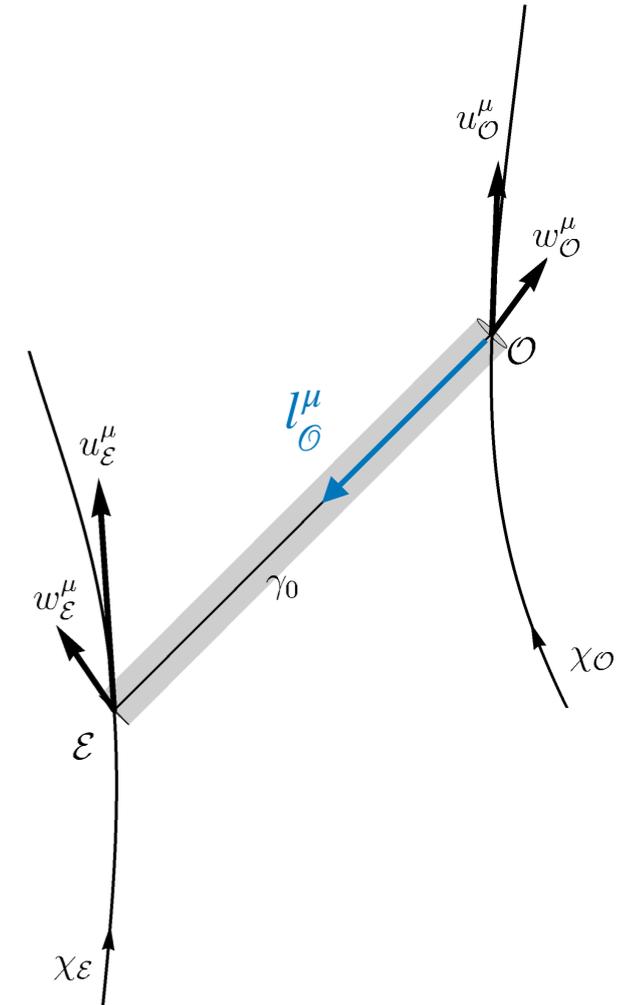
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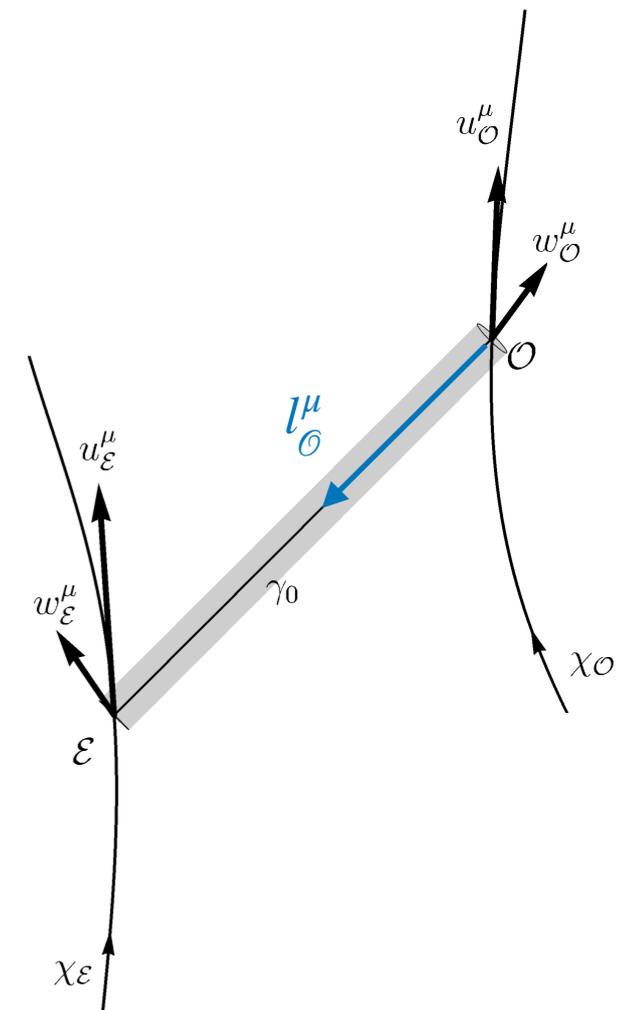
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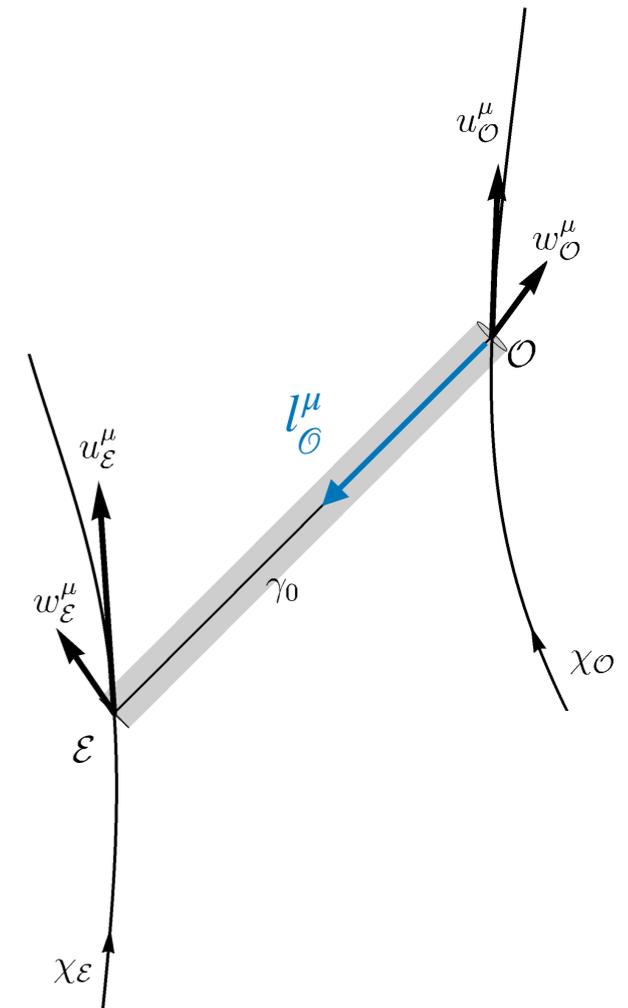
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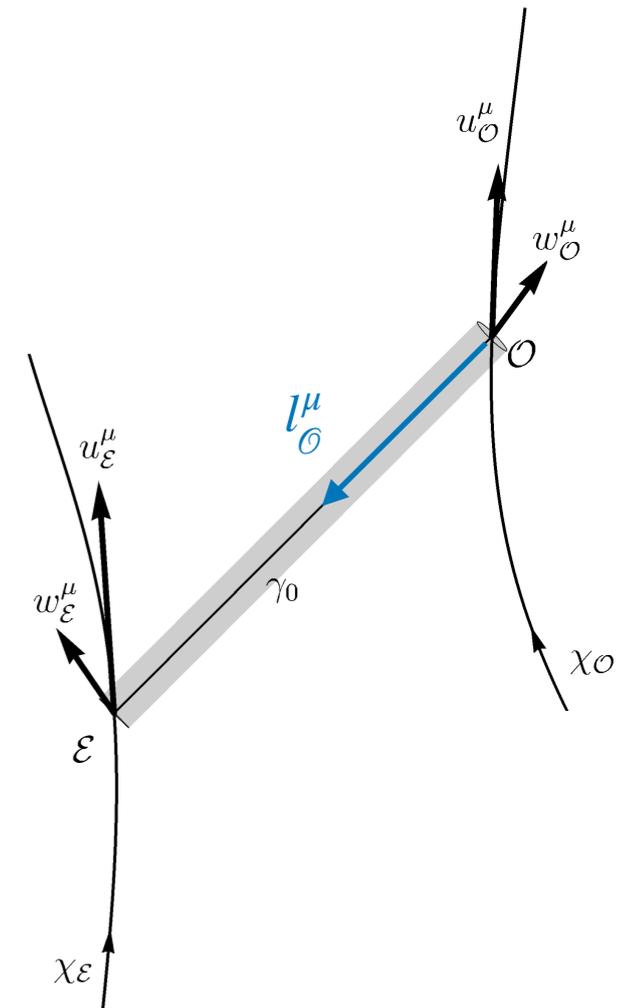
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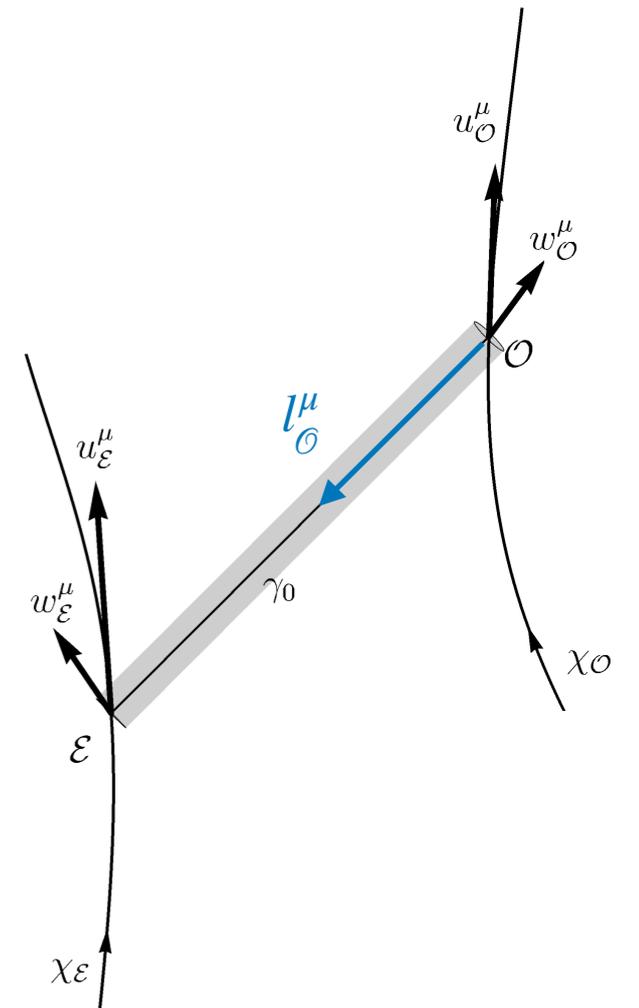
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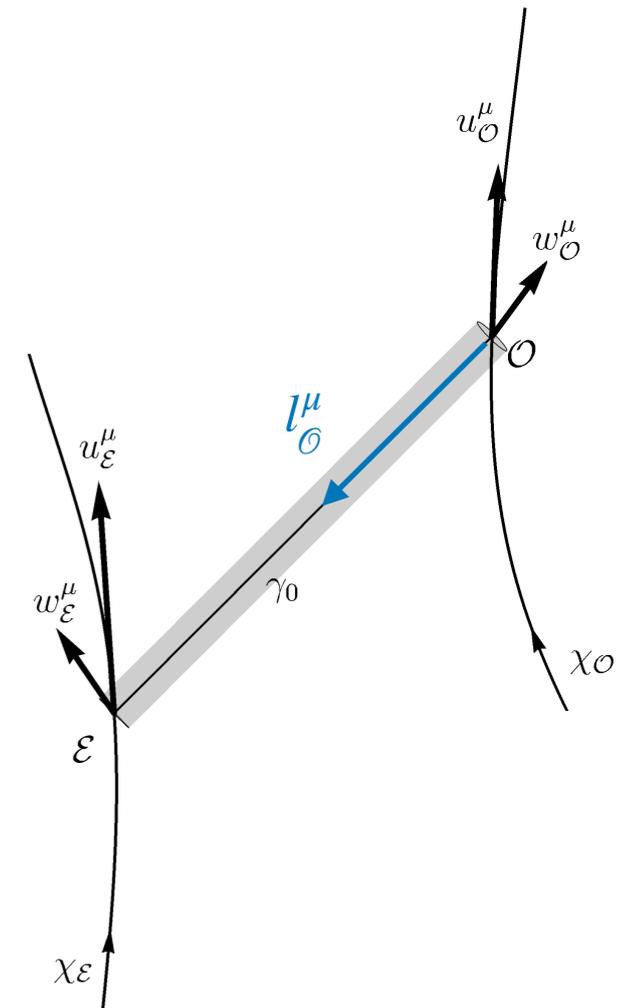
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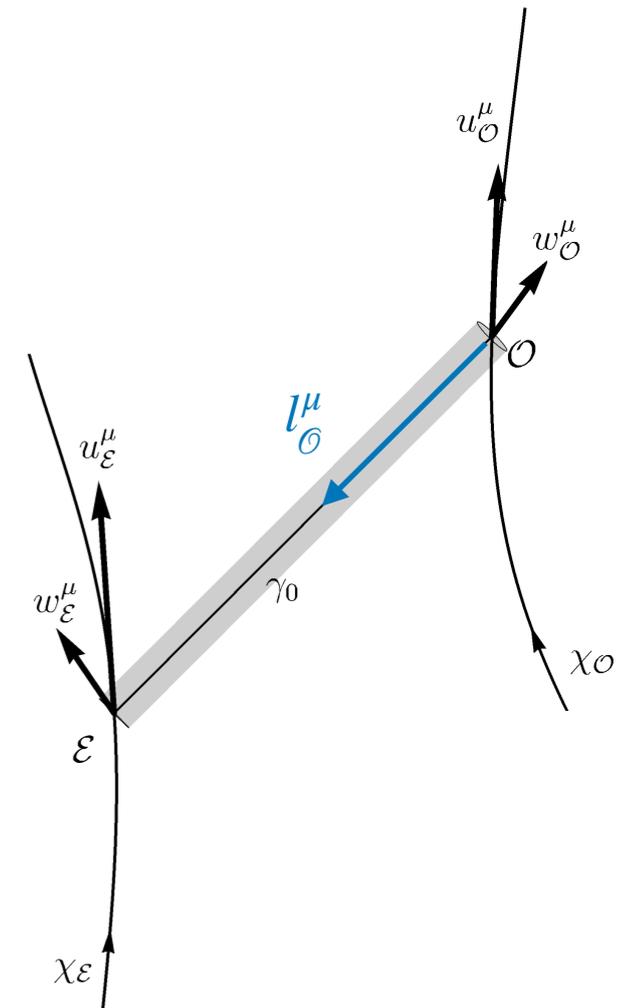
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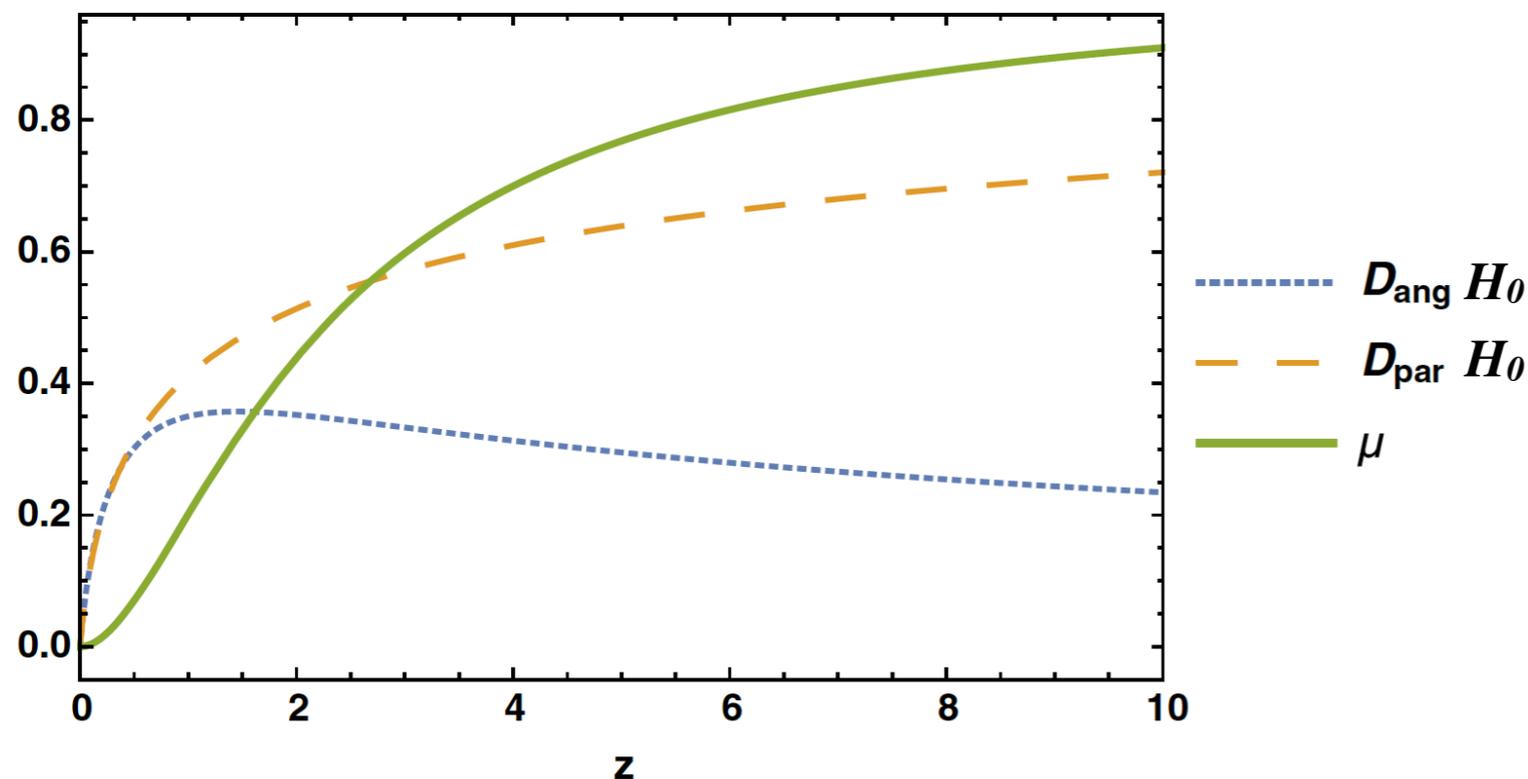
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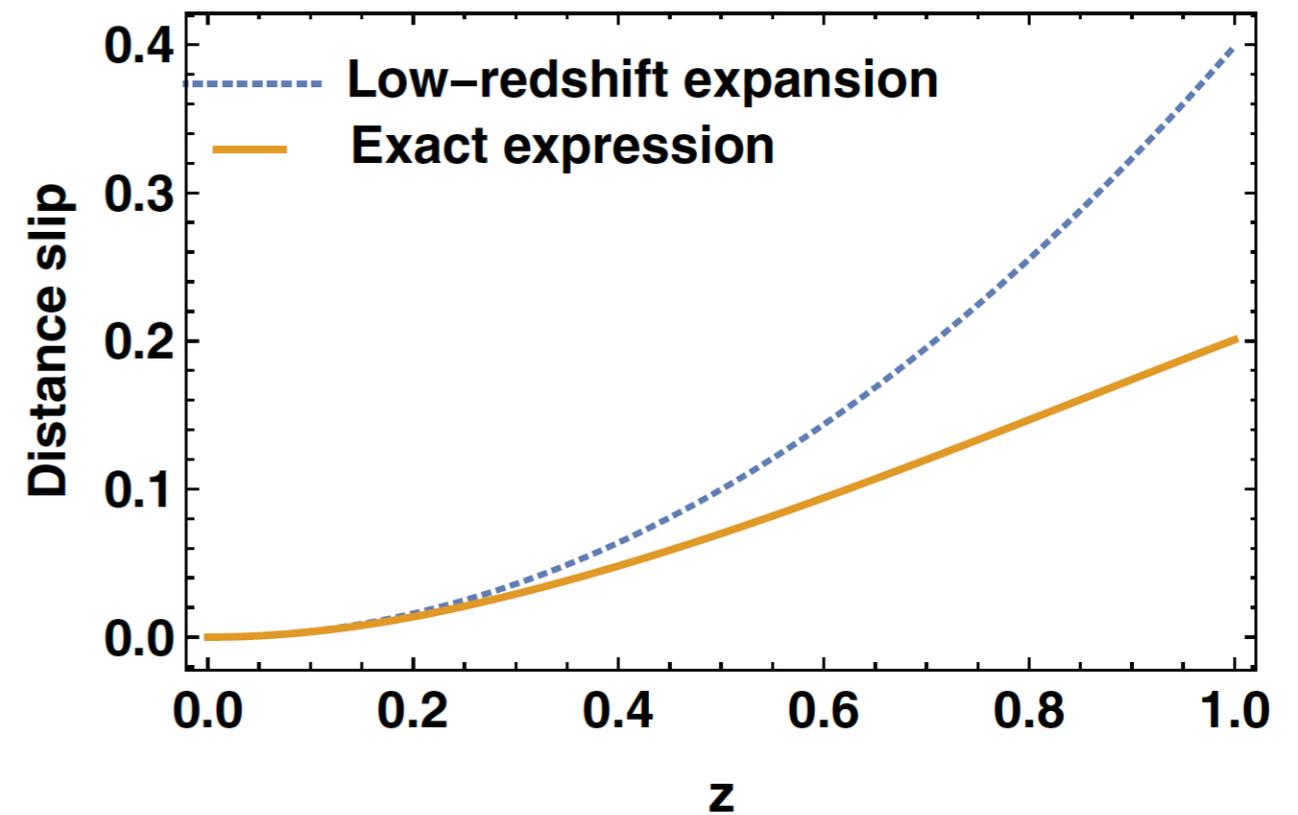
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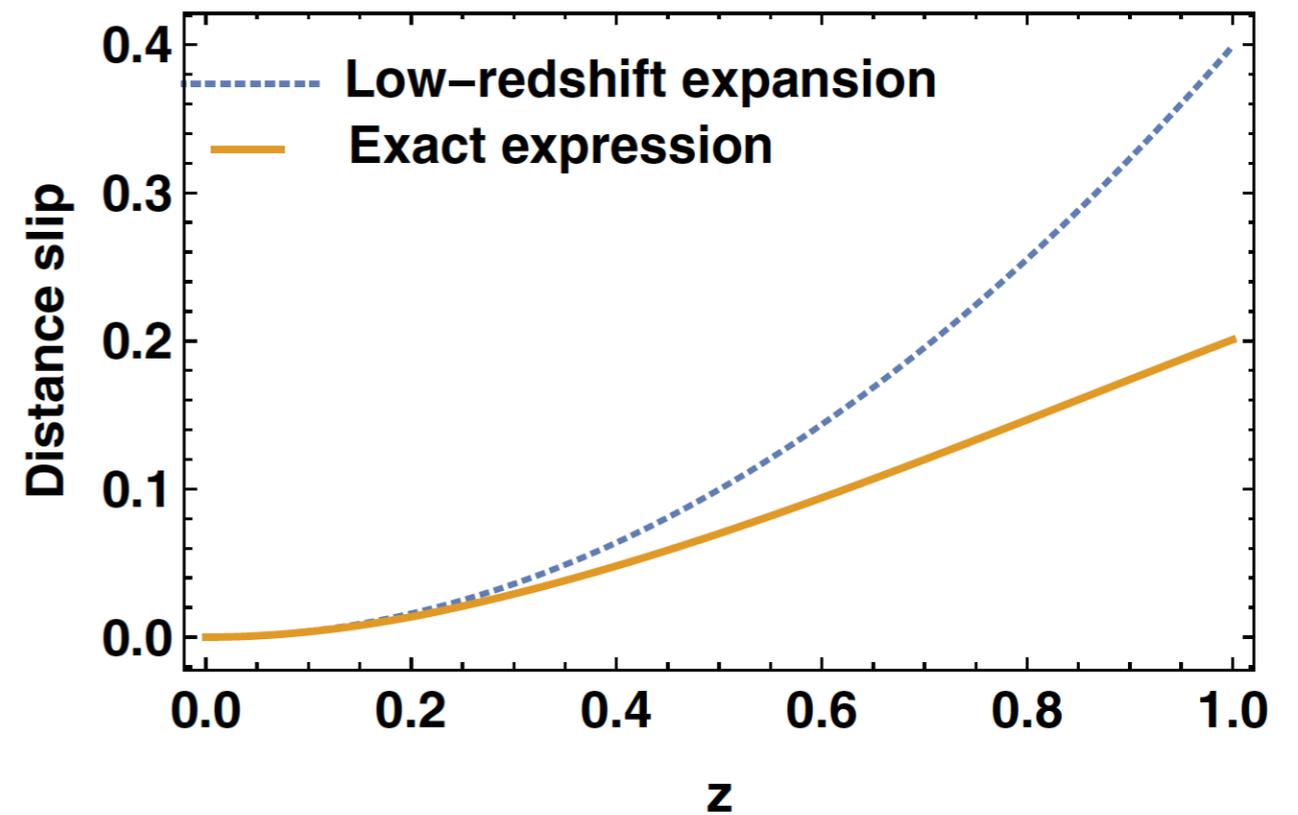


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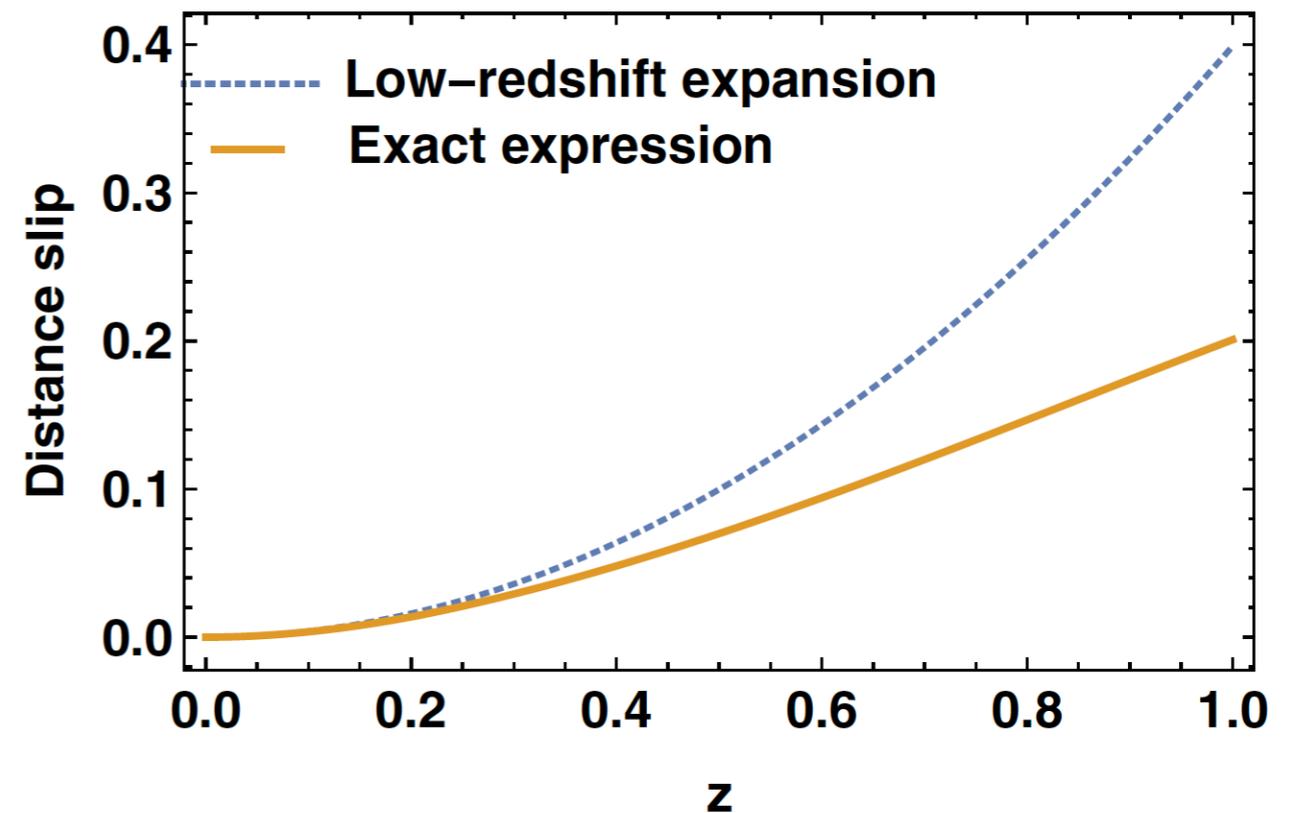
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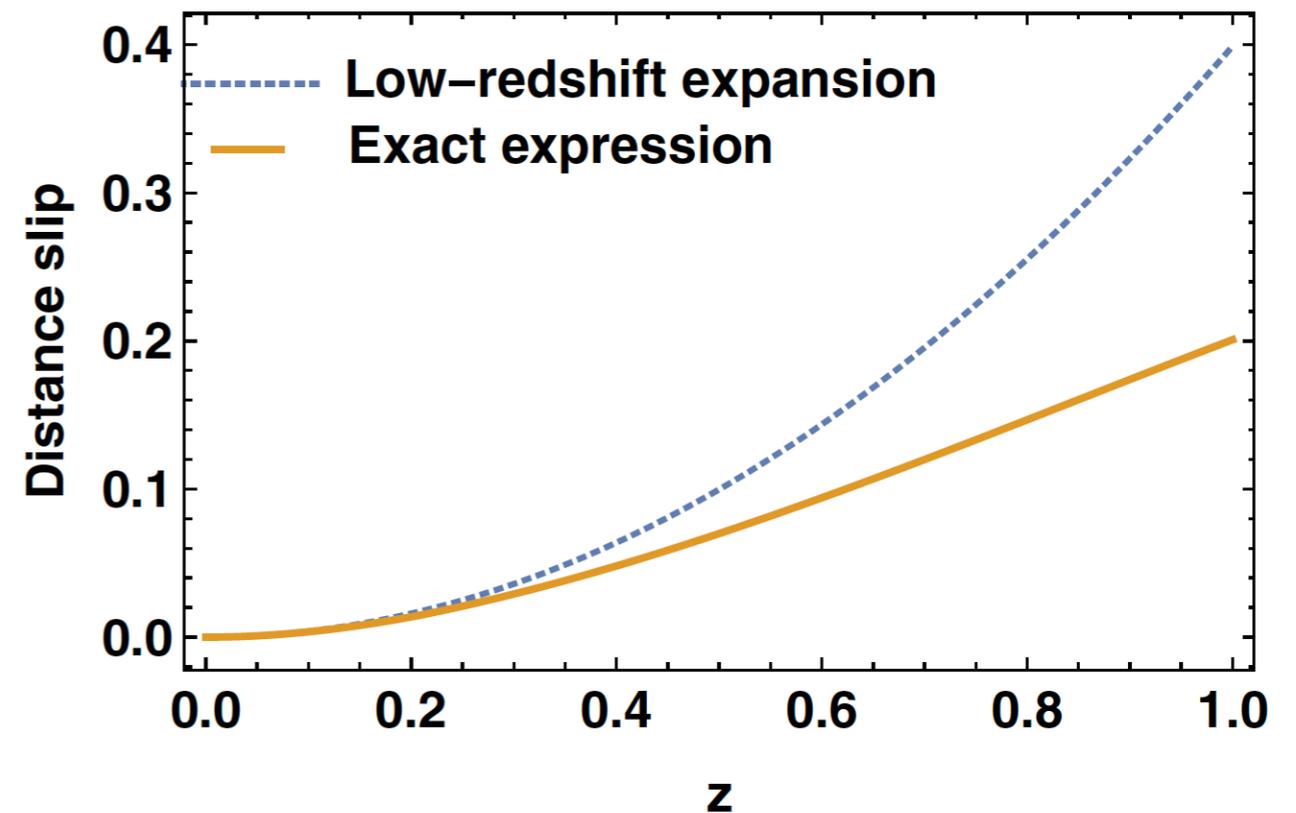
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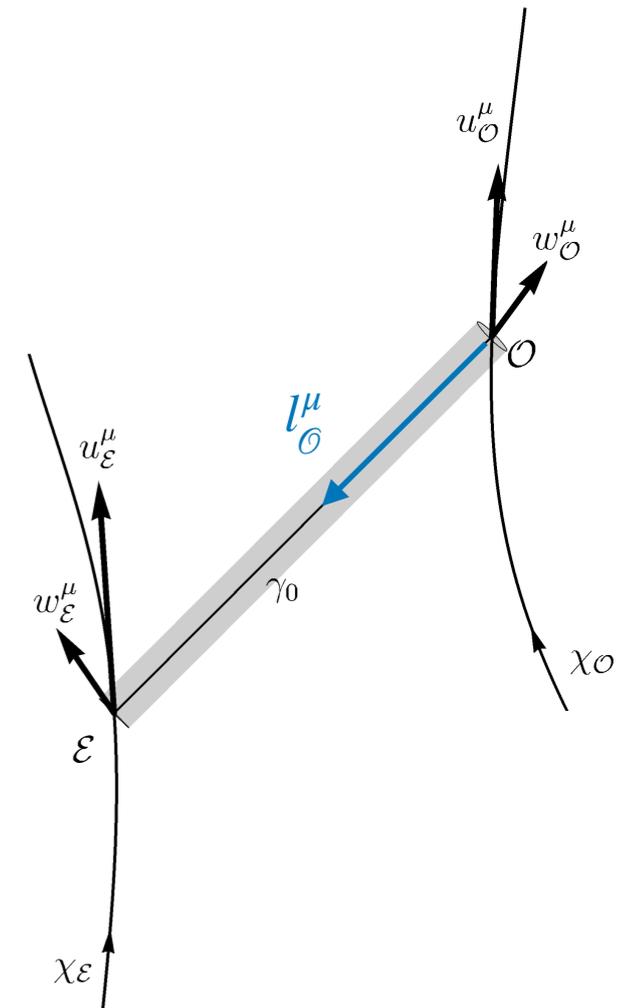
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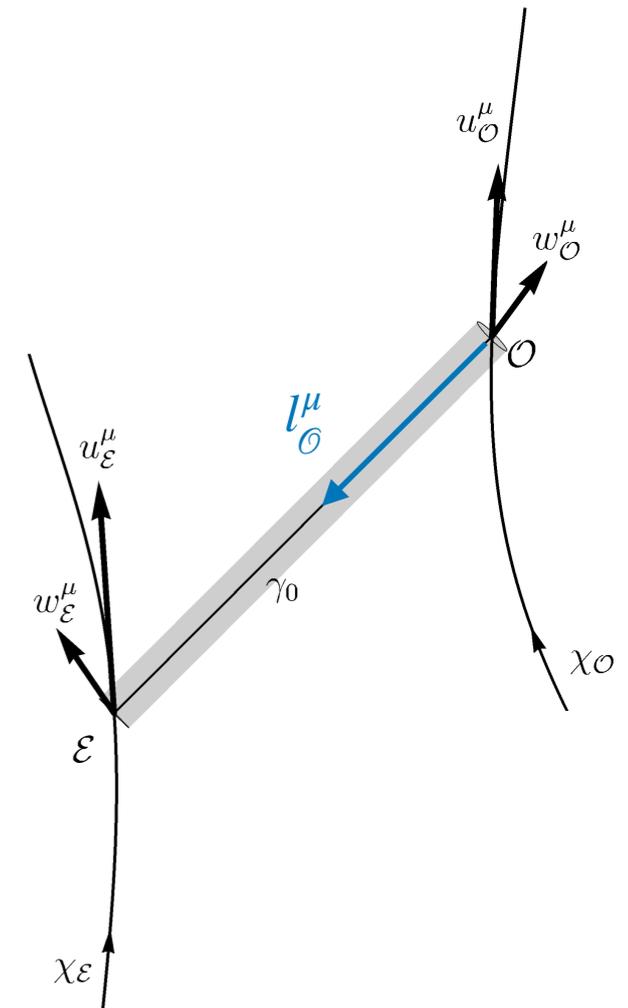
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## Rephrasing:

If the NEC holds then

both focusing of light by matter and tidal distortion of light rays makes  $D_{par}$  larger than  $D_{ang}$  at least up to the first focal point

# Distance inequality

## Sketch of the proof

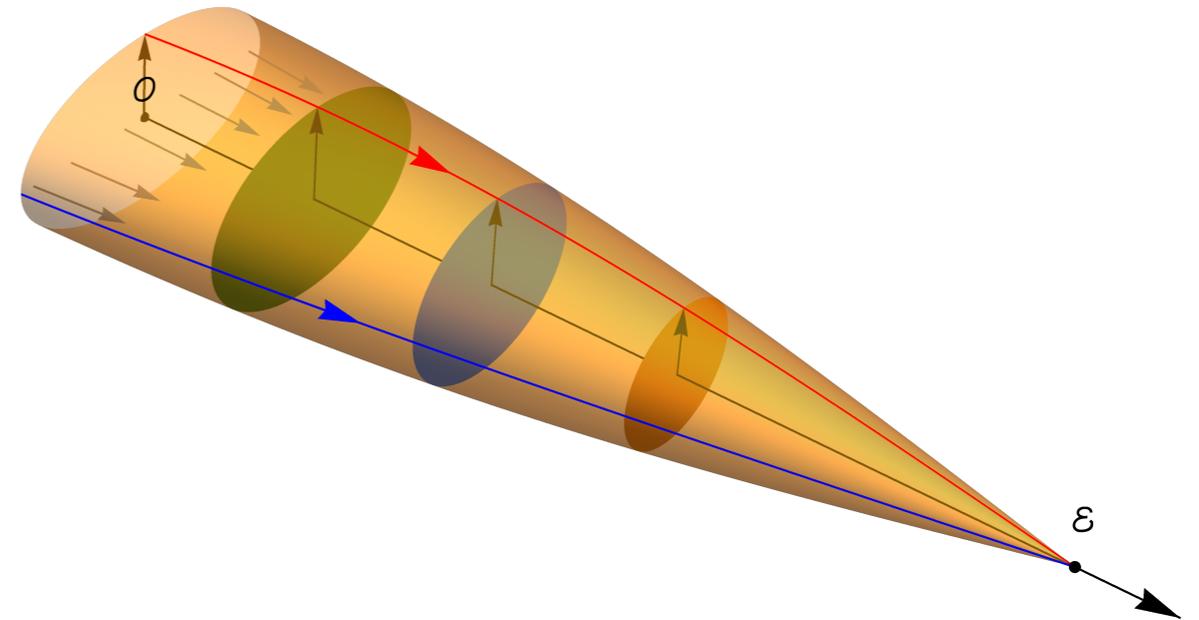
Geometry of the null congruence parallel at  $\mathcal{O}$

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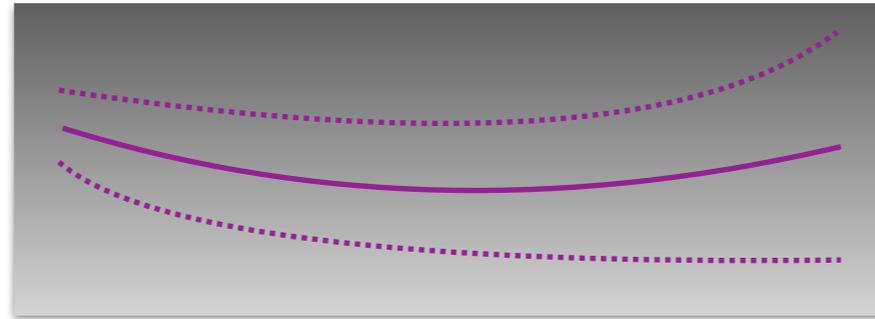
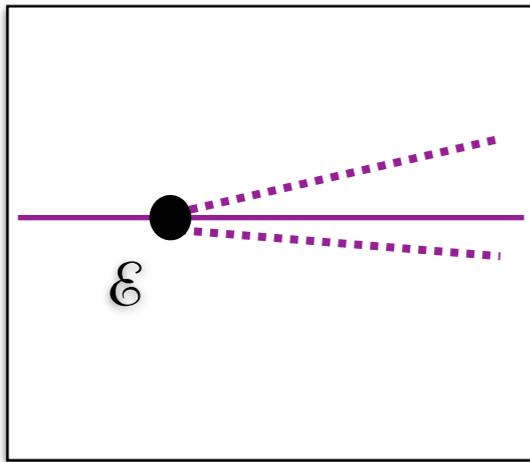
equation of state  $p = w \rho \quad w < -1$

# Summary and take-home message

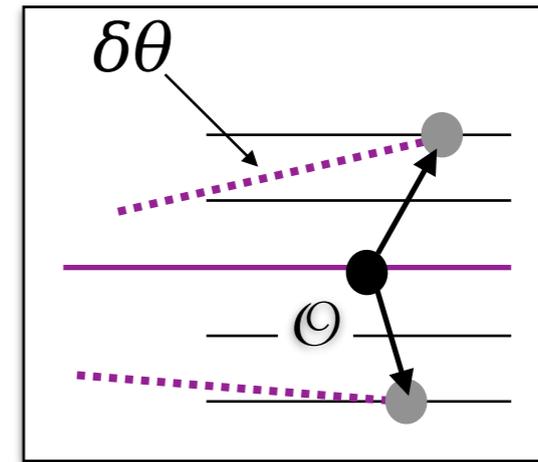
- By comparing  $D_{ang}$  and  $D_{par}$  measured to a single source we get the distance slip  $\mu$  - new (potential) observable
- Interesting properties: frame-invariance, measures curvature and matter along the line of sight
- $\mu$  very small on short distances, too difficult to measure nowadays, but...
- It can provide independent matter density measurements
- $\mu \geq 0$  if the null energy condition holds

**Thank you!**

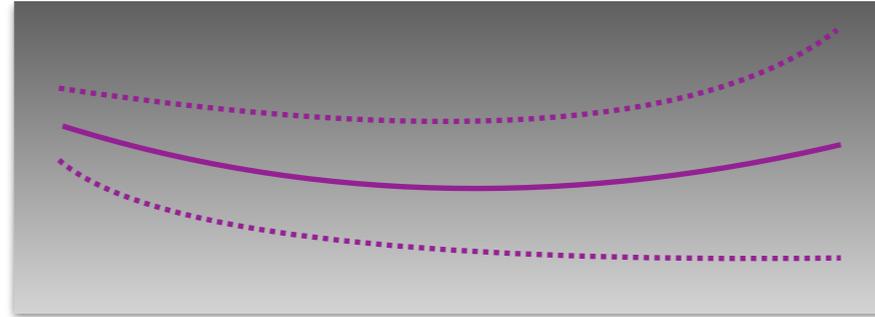
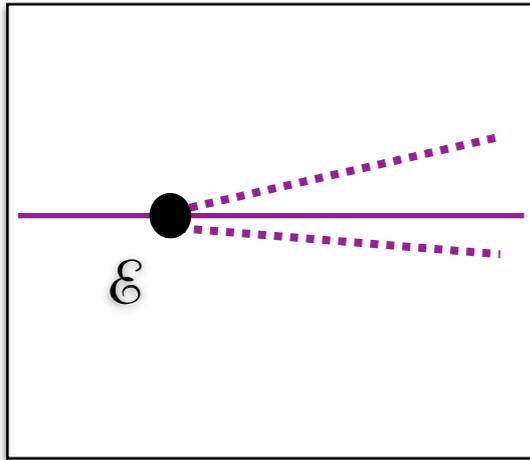
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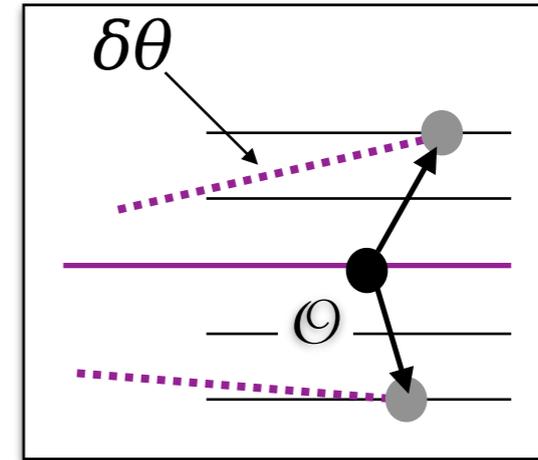
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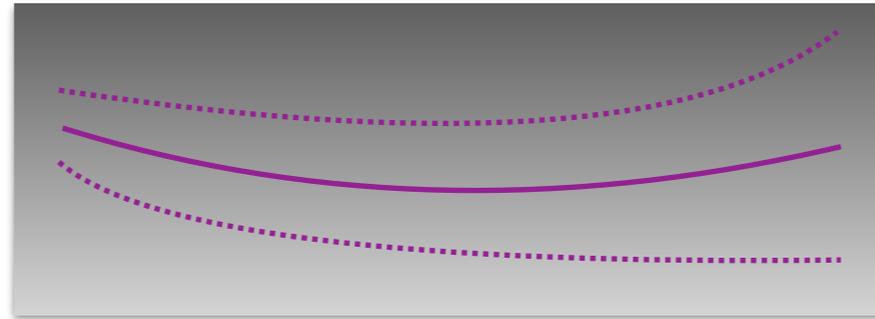
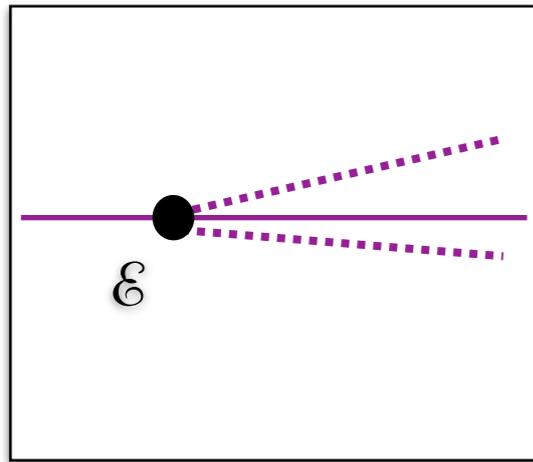


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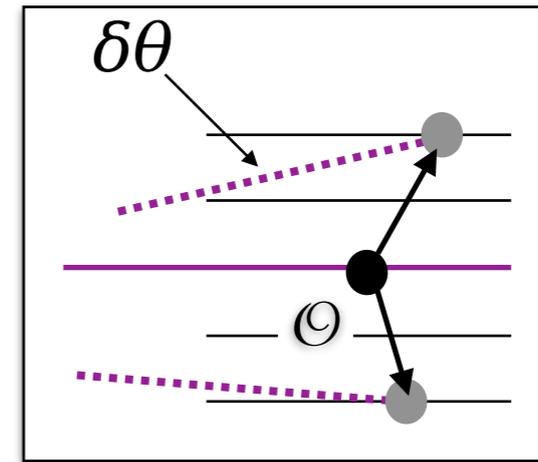


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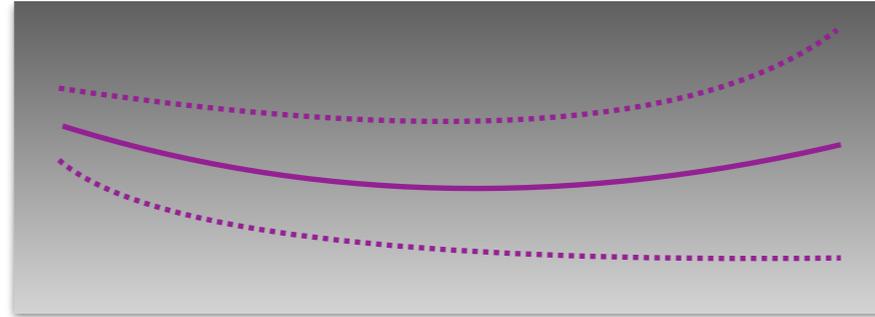
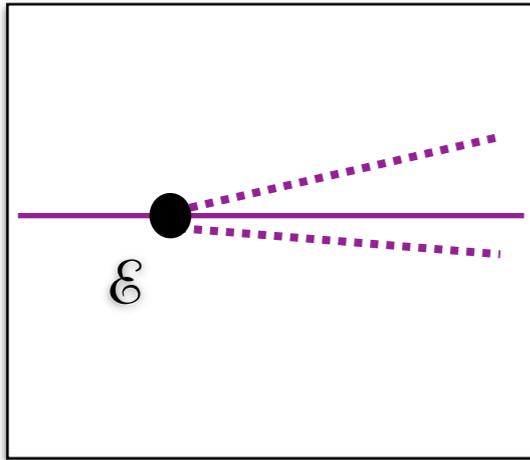
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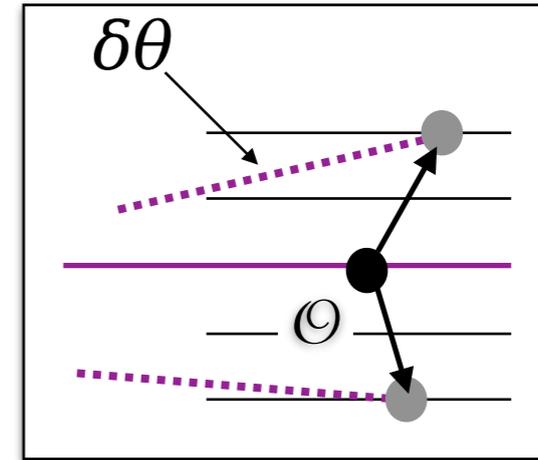
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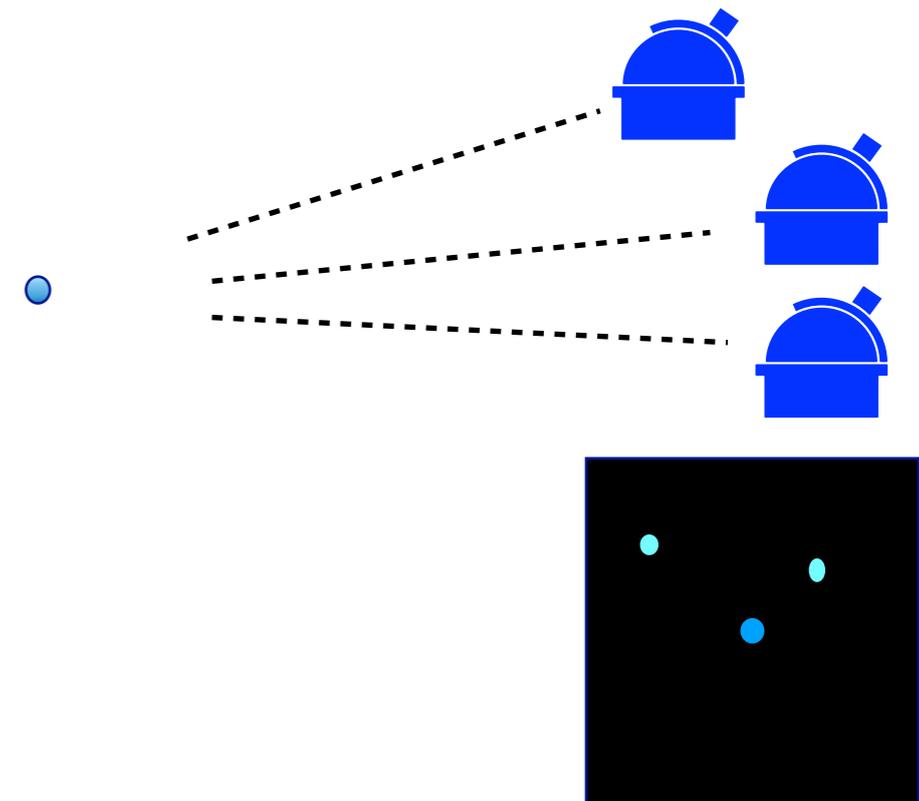


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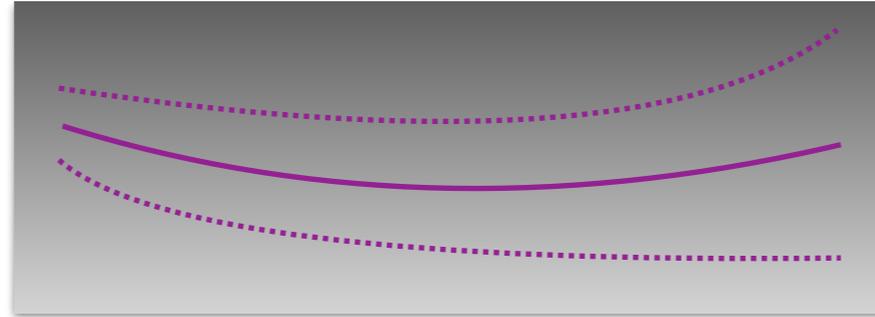
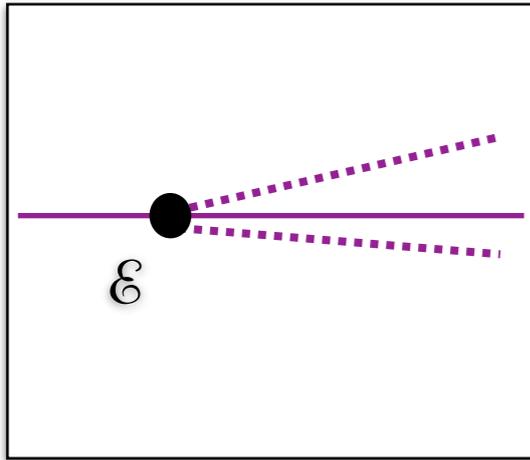


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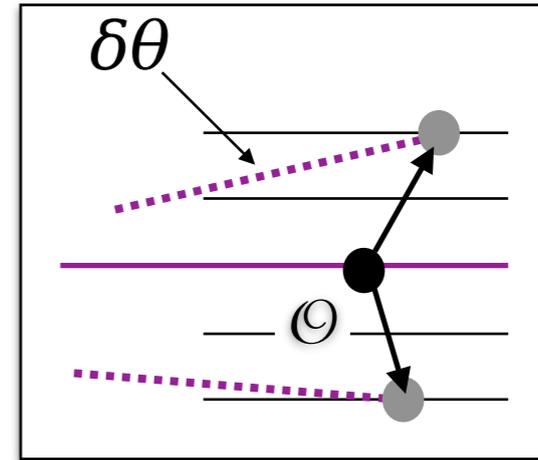
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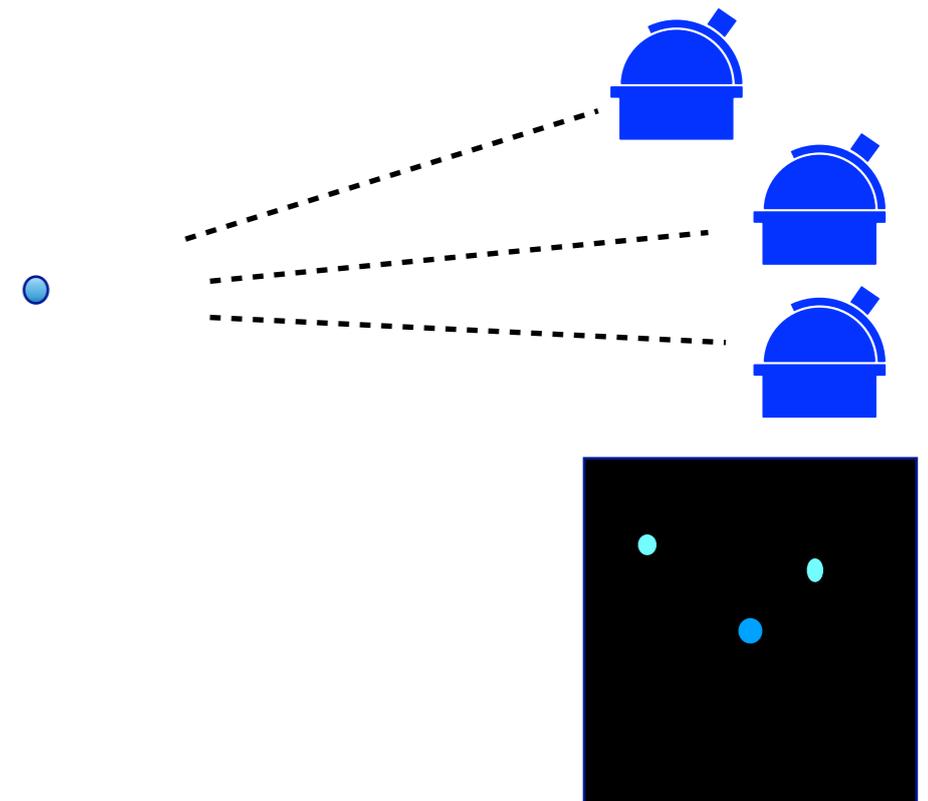
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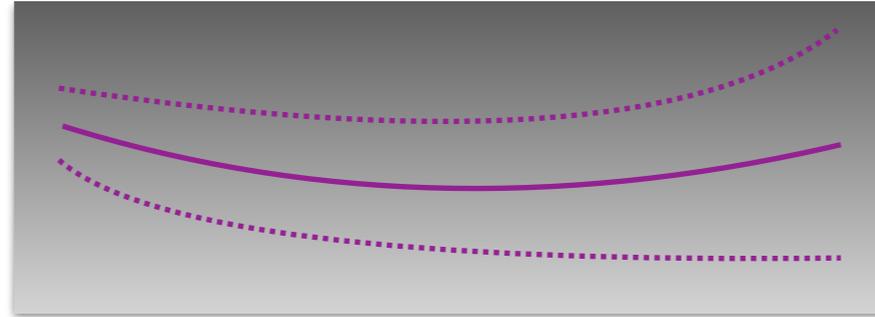
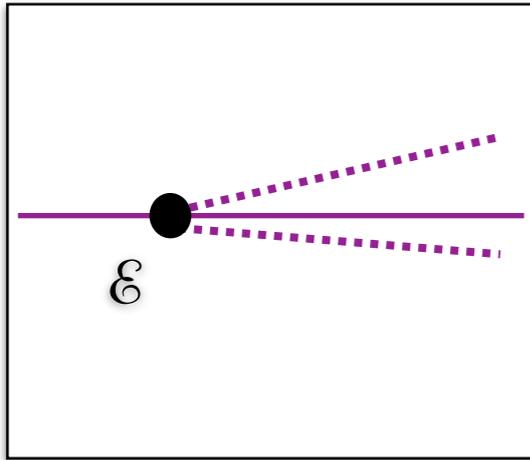
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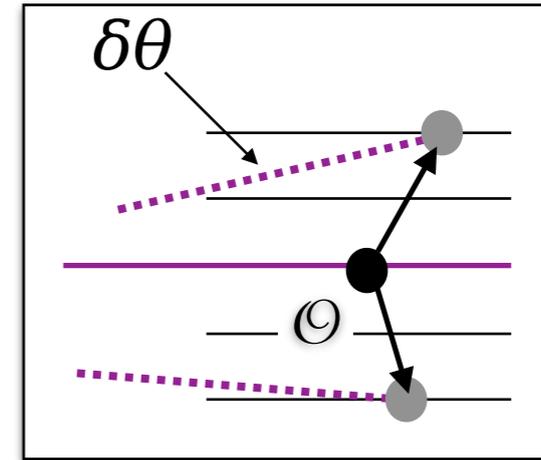
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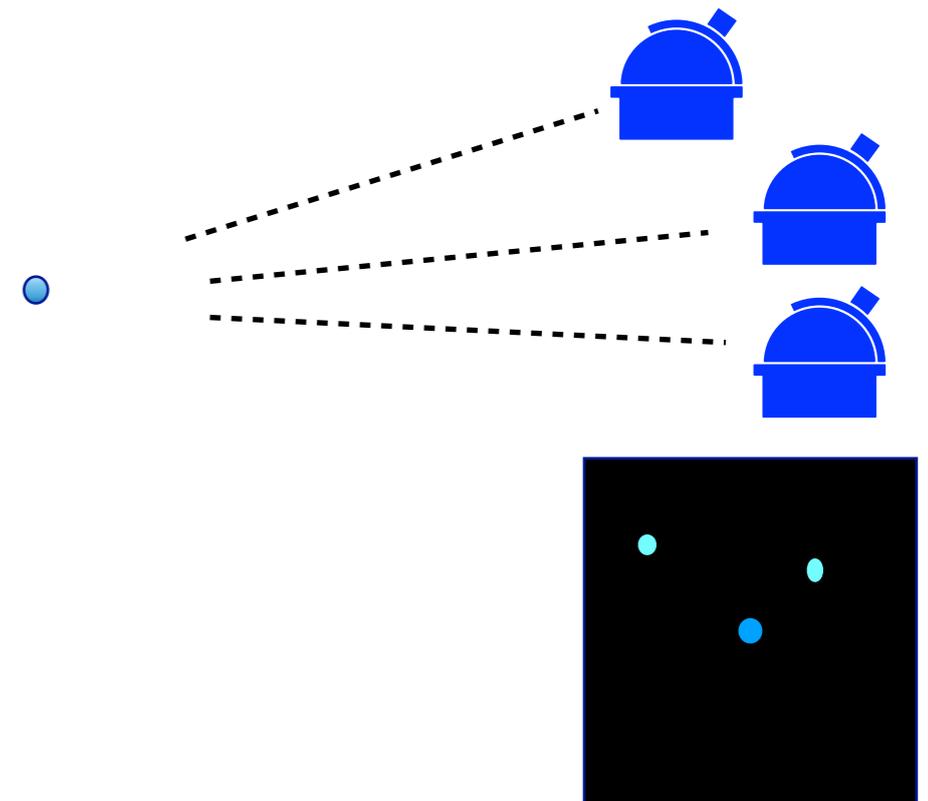
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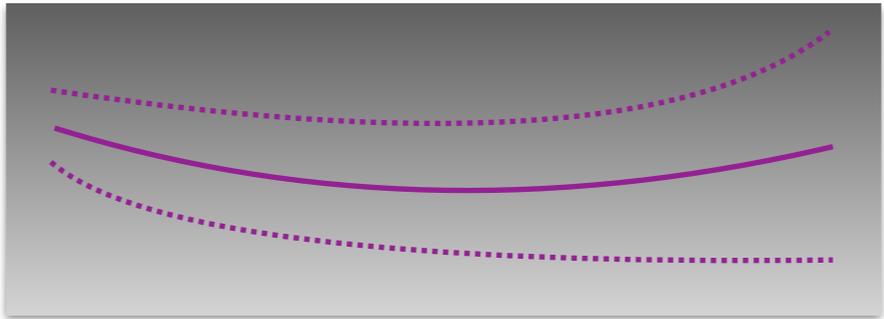
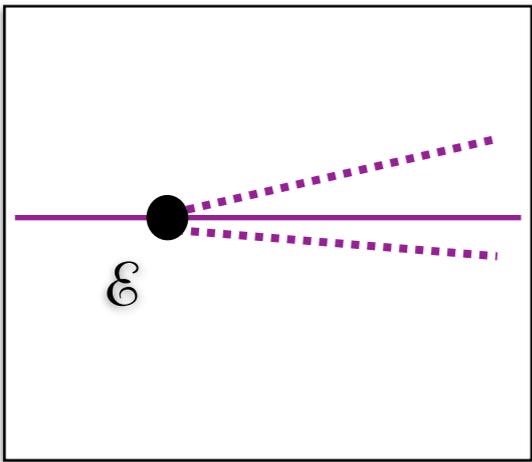
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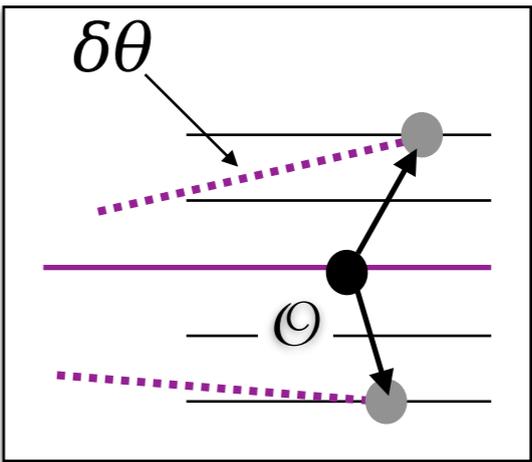
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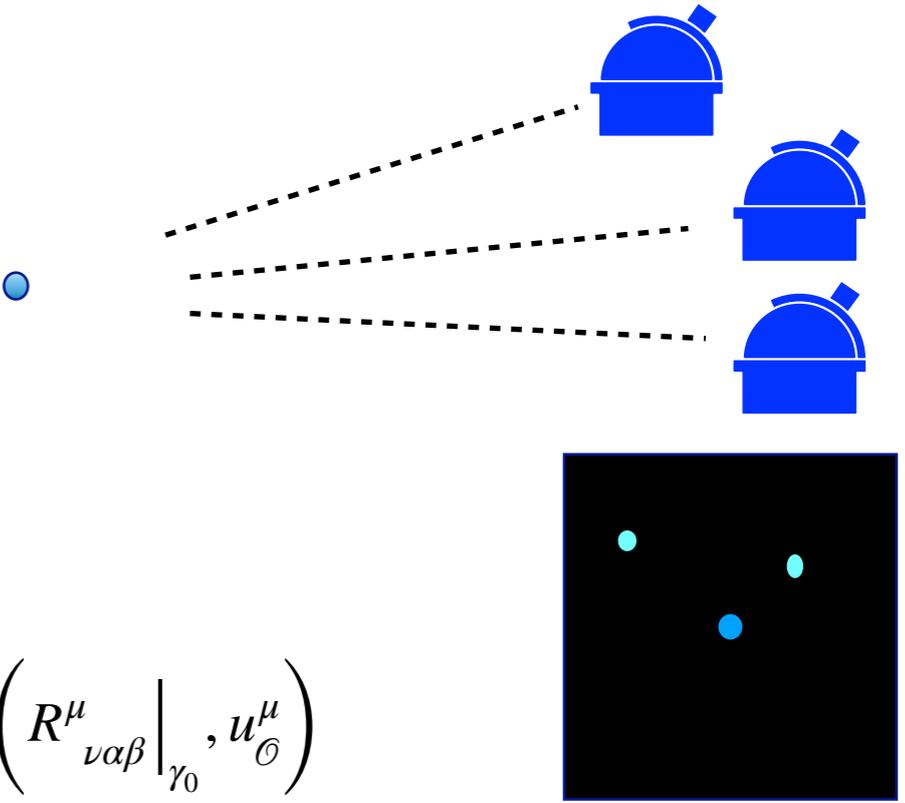
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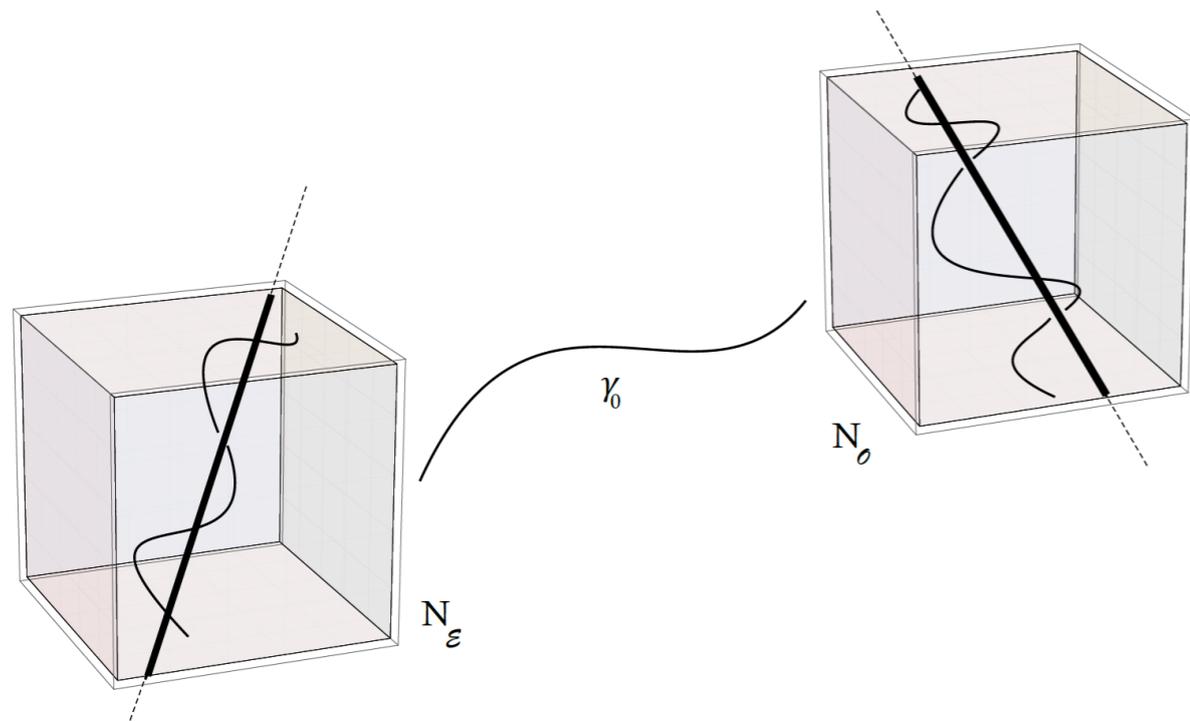
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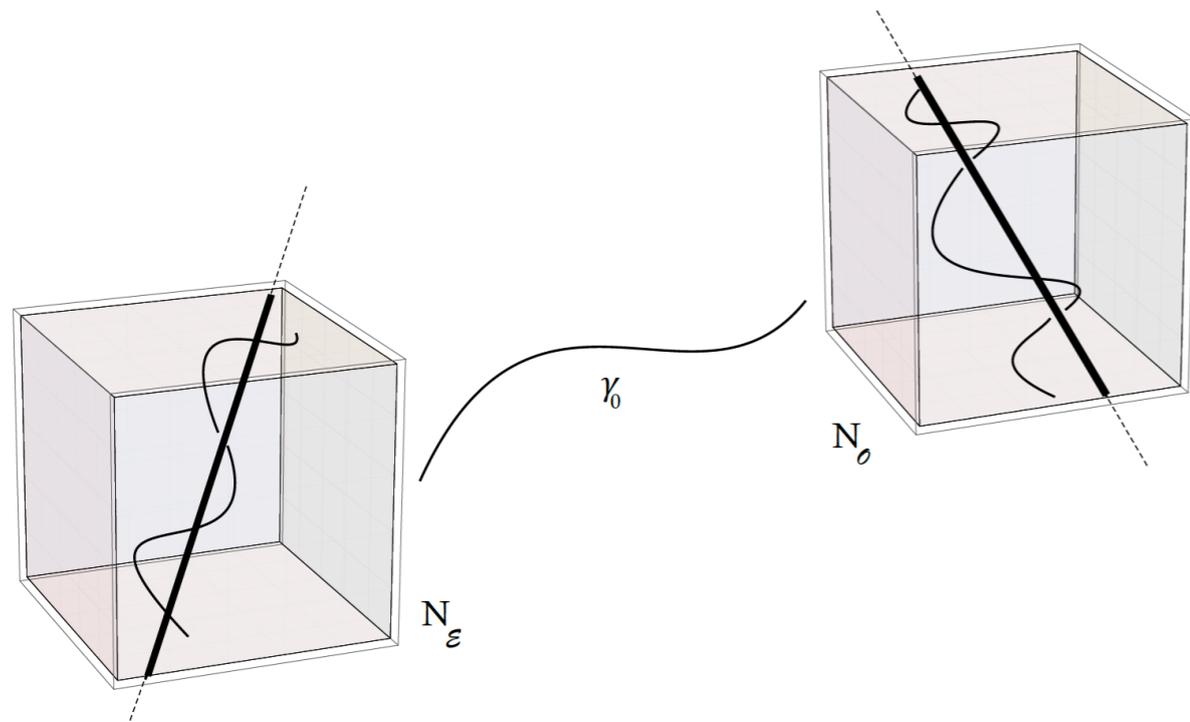
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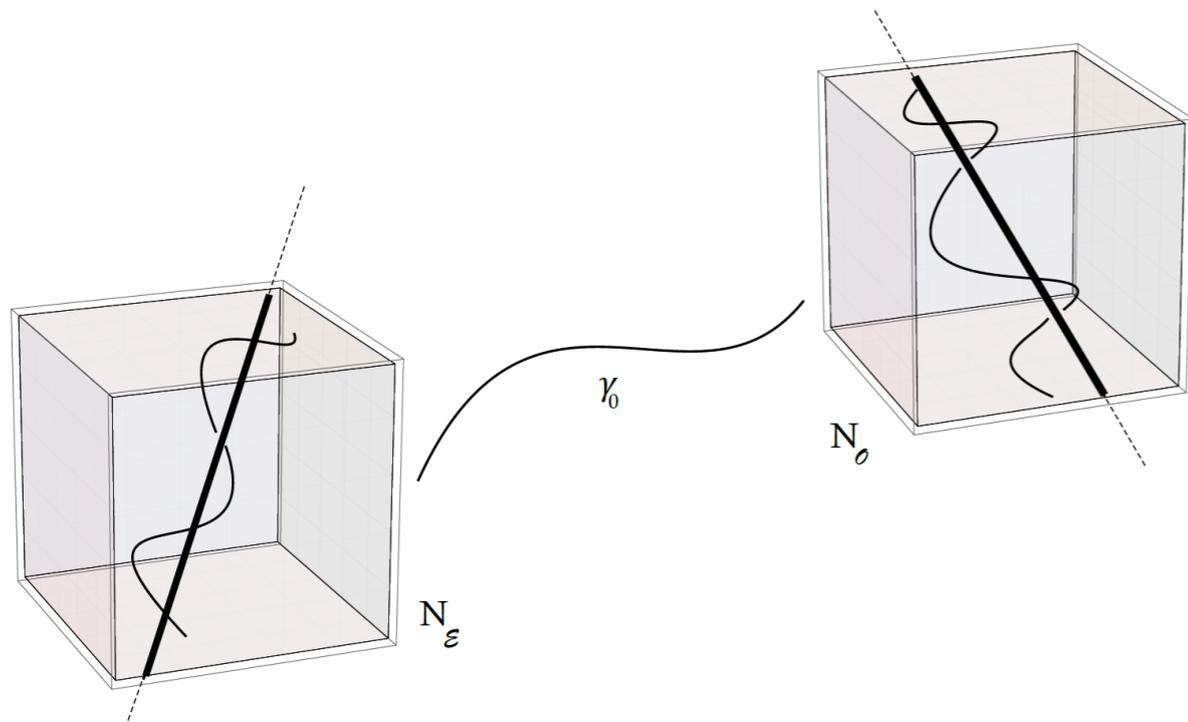
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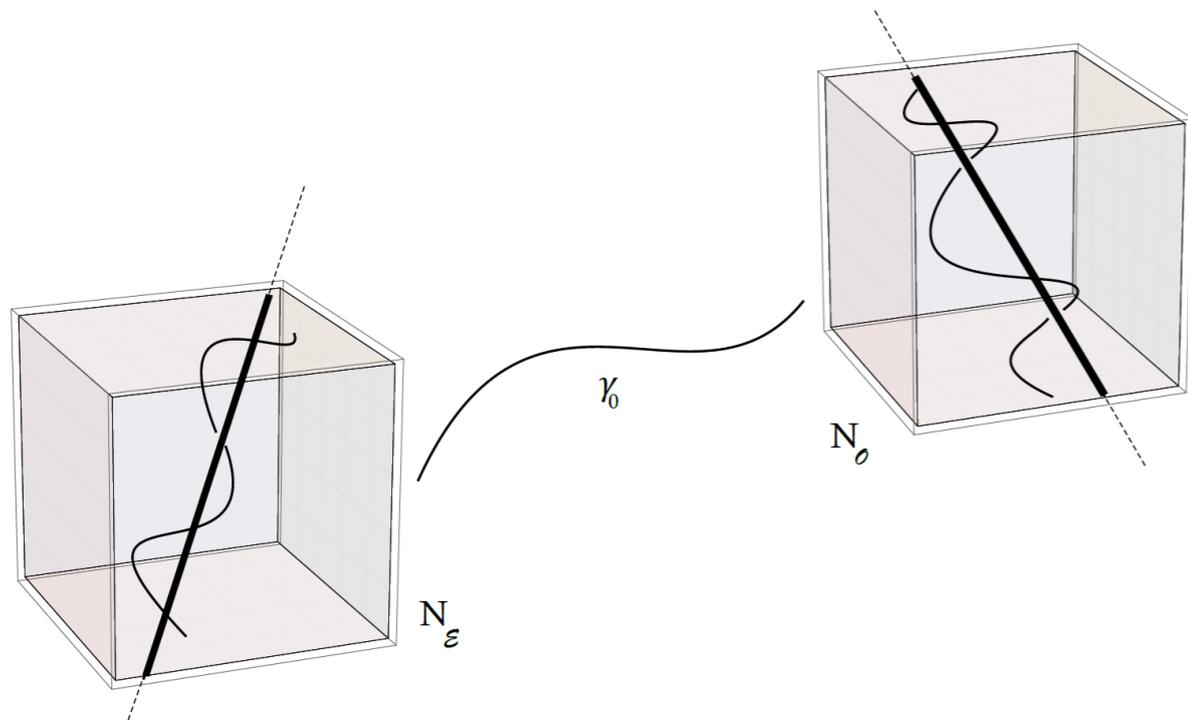


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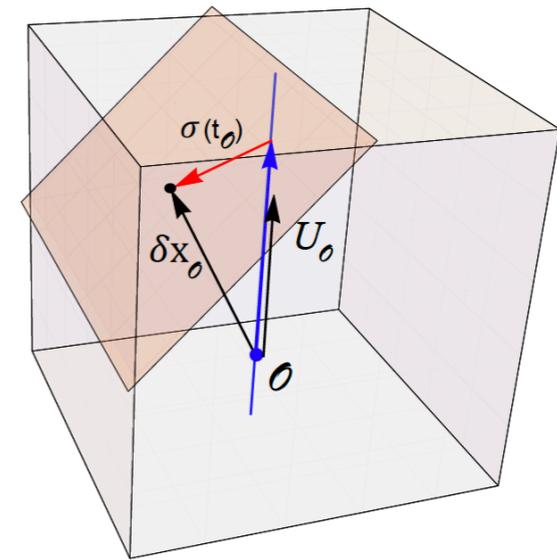
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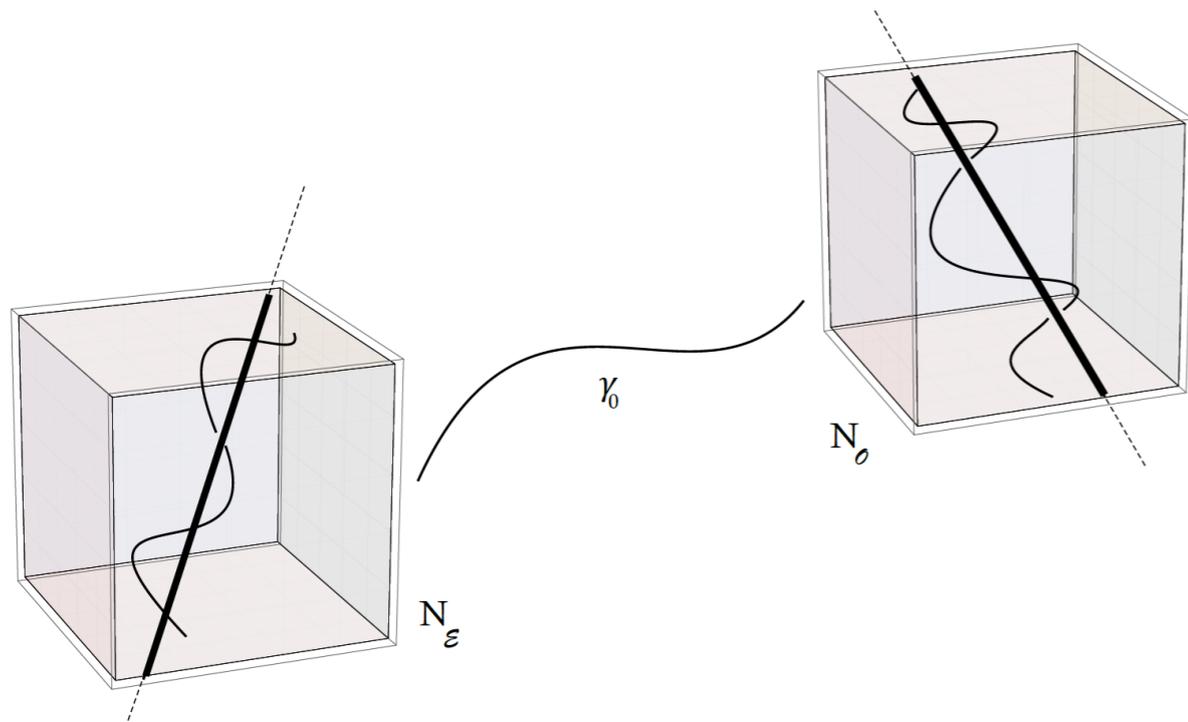
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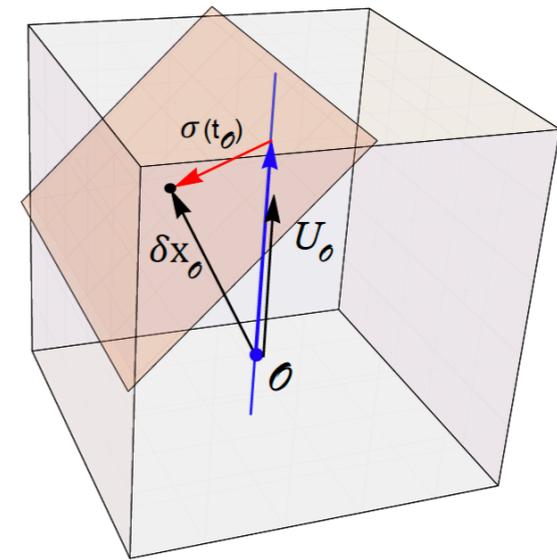
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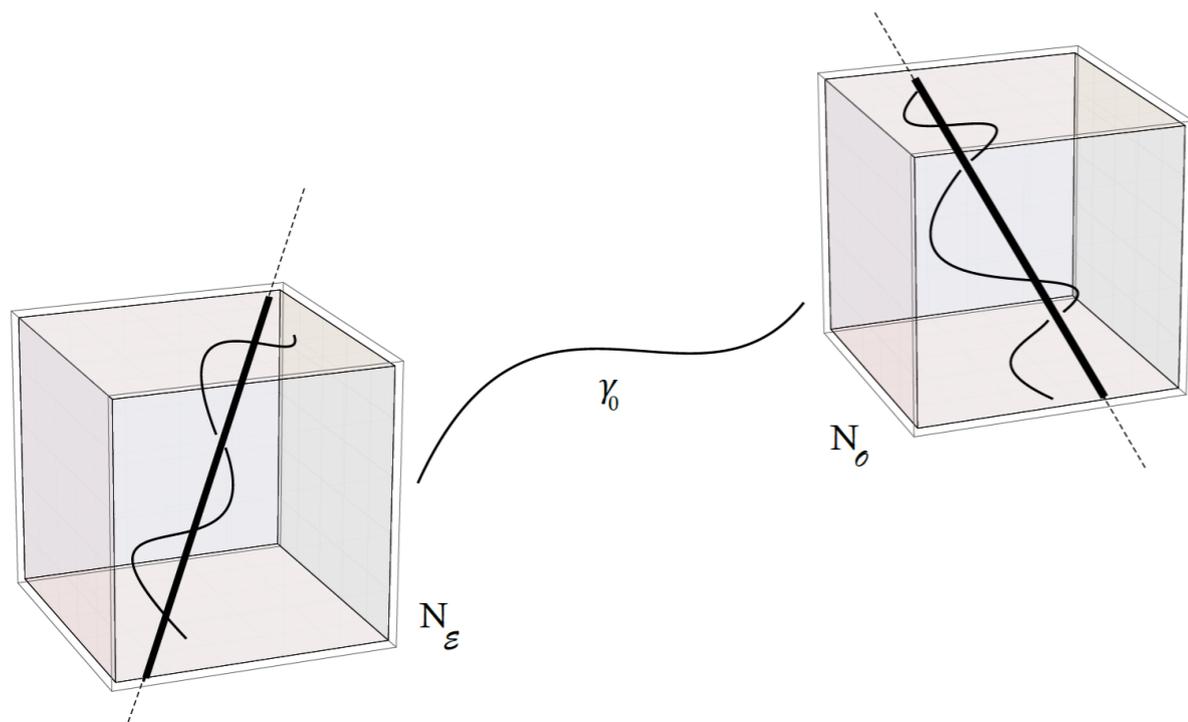
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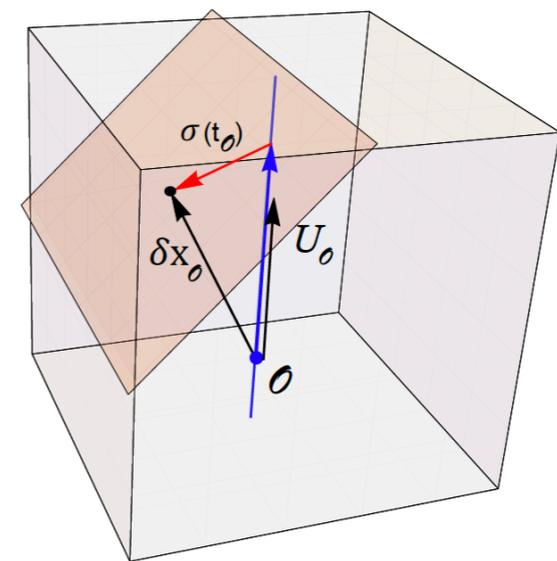
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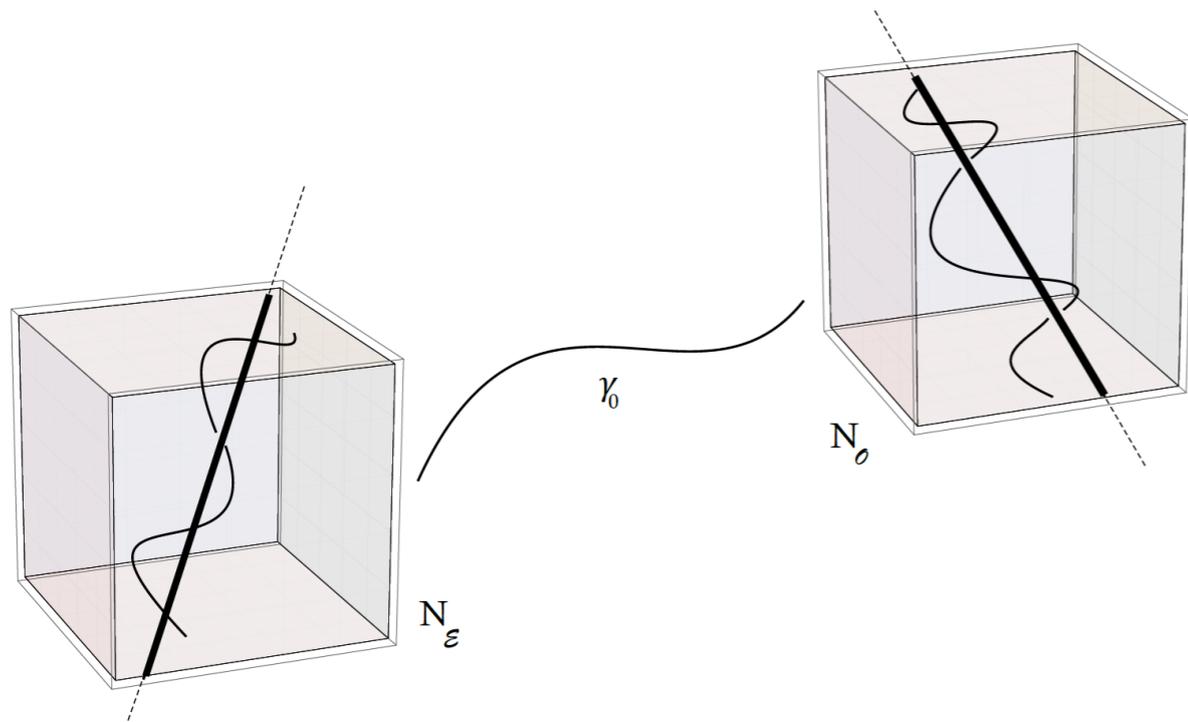
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# Parallax in a general situation



Both observer and emitter in bound systems

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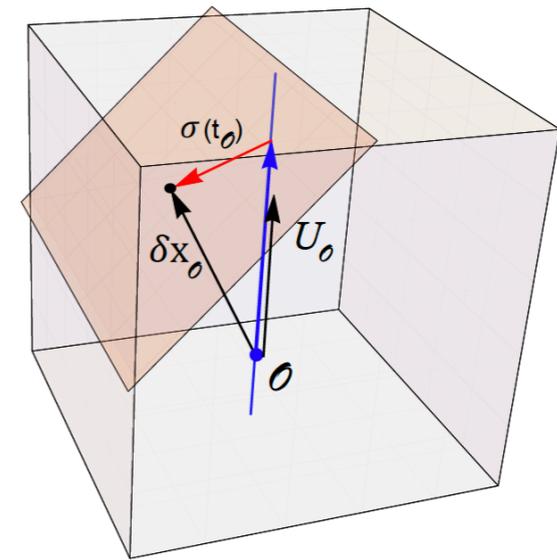
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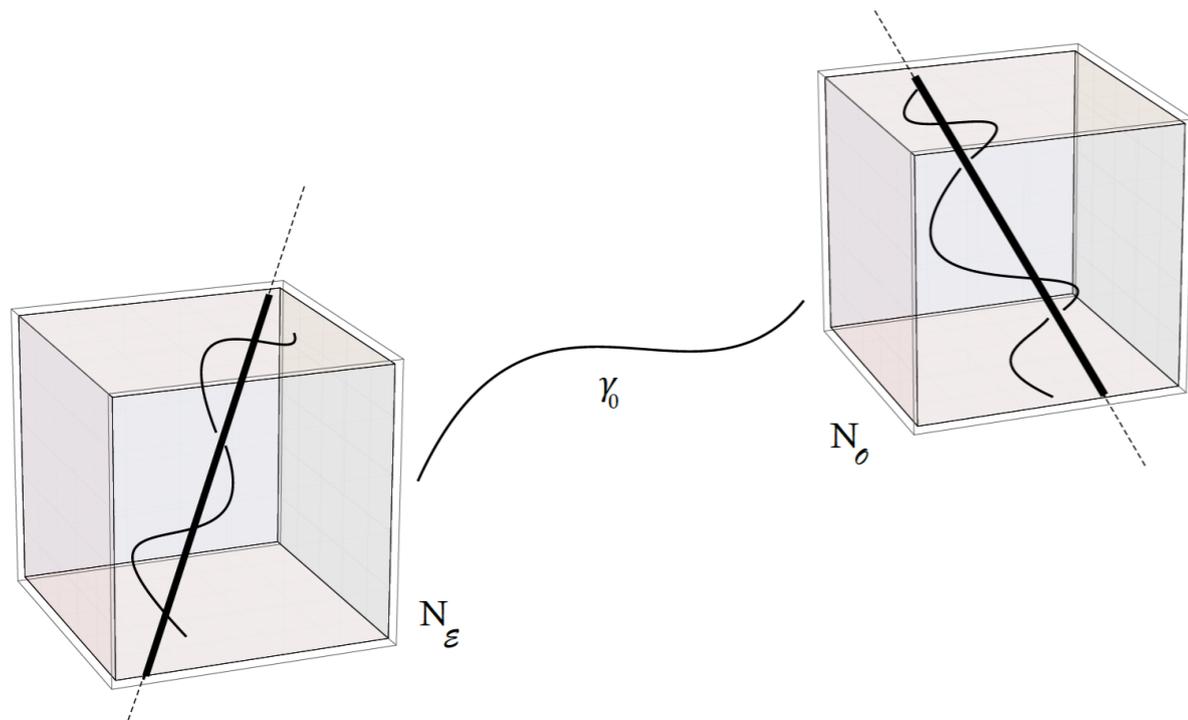
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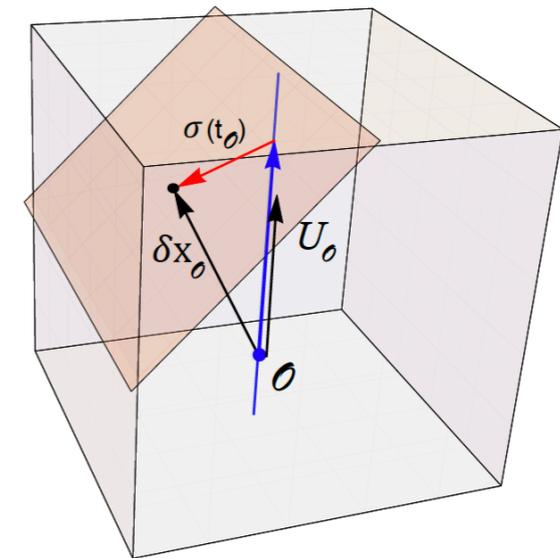
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