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Vector fields on S^2

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We consider vector fields on S^2 and their flows.

- As S^2 is **compact**, every vector field is **complete** $\iff$ flows are always complete $\iff$ every flow is a smooth $\mathbb{R}$ -action
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every vector field has a zero $\iff$ every flow has a fixed point.

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