

*MAT 531*

*Geometry/Topology II*

*Introduction to Smooth Manifolds*

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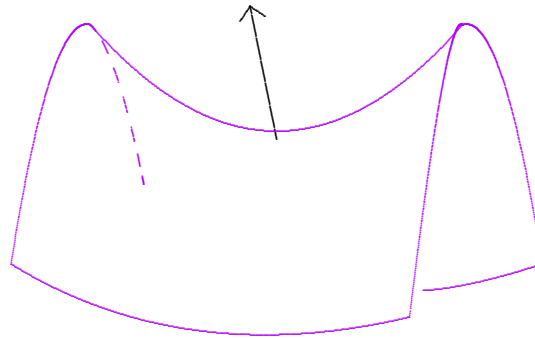
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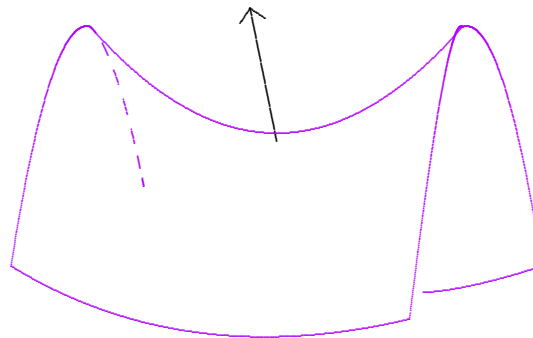


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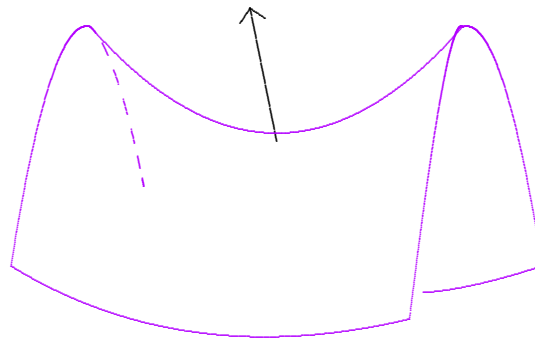


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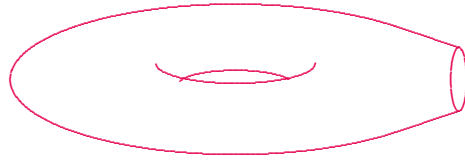
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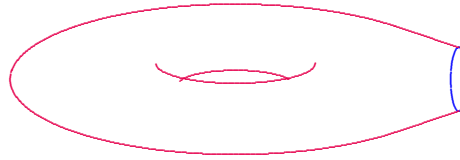
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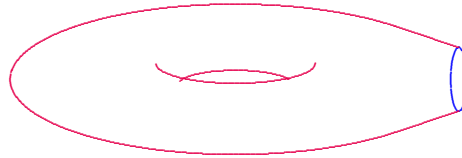
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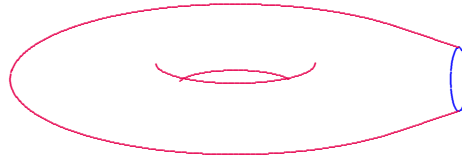
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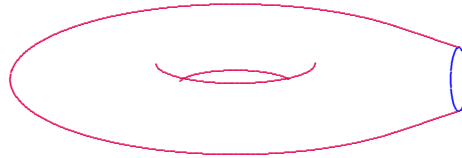


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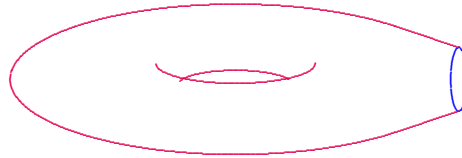
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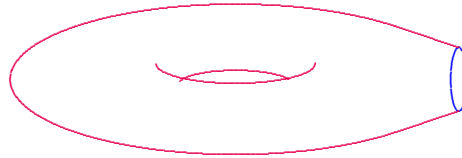
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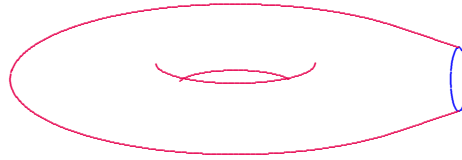
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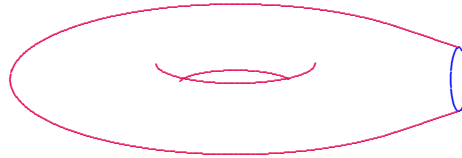


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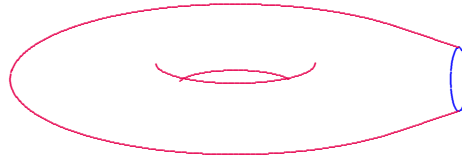
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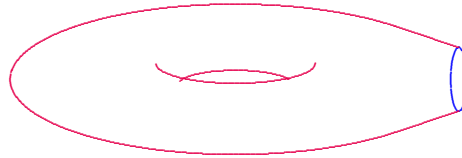
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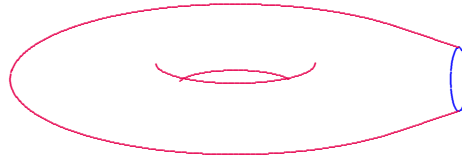
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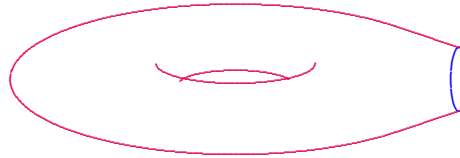
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I made this out some weeks ago with ref<sup>cc</sup> to electromagnetism. With ref<sup>cc</sup> to an elastic solid, the cond<sup>n</sup> may be expressed thus – the resultant axis of rotation at any point of the surface must be perp<sup>r</sup> to the normal.

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1 Stokes (11).

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3 Stokes included the equation in this postscript on the Smith's prize examination for 1854 (the year Maxwell took the examination), and it has become known as Stokes's Theorem. (See Larmor's footnote in Stokes's *MPP*, v, 320-1.)

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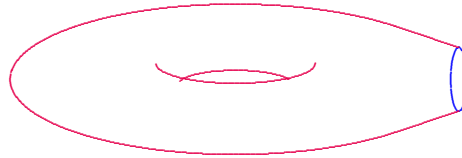
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