MAT 531

Geometry/Topology II

Introduction to Smooth Manifolds

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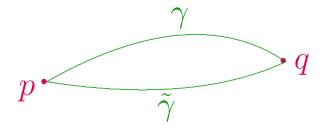
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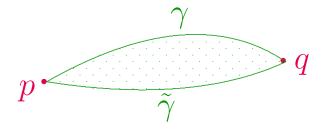
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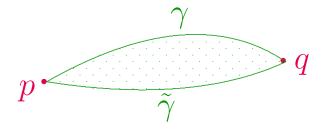
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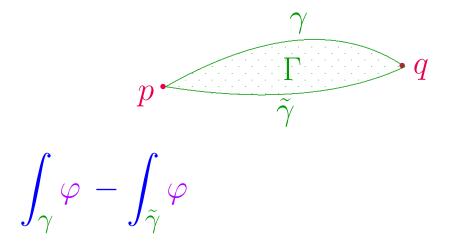
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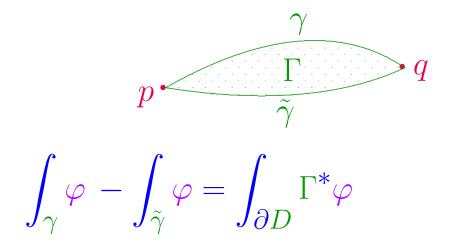
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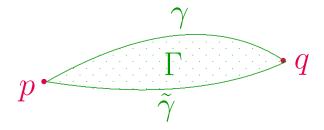
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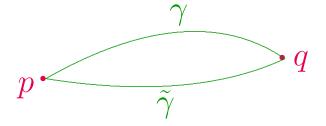
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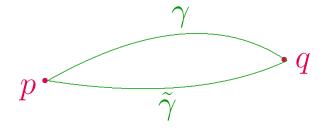


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The homotopy invariance of the degree is actually symptomatic of a more general principle...

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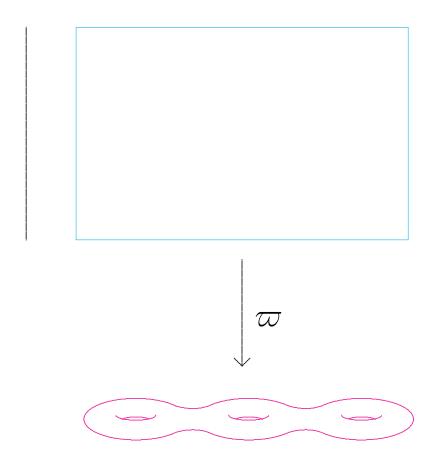
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Cartan's Magic Formula: If $\varphi \in \Omega^k(M)$, then, for any $\mathsf{V} \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$, then

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathsf{V}}\varphi = \mathsf{V}_{\mathsf{J}} d\varphi + d(\mathsf{V}_{\mathsf{J}}\varphi).$$

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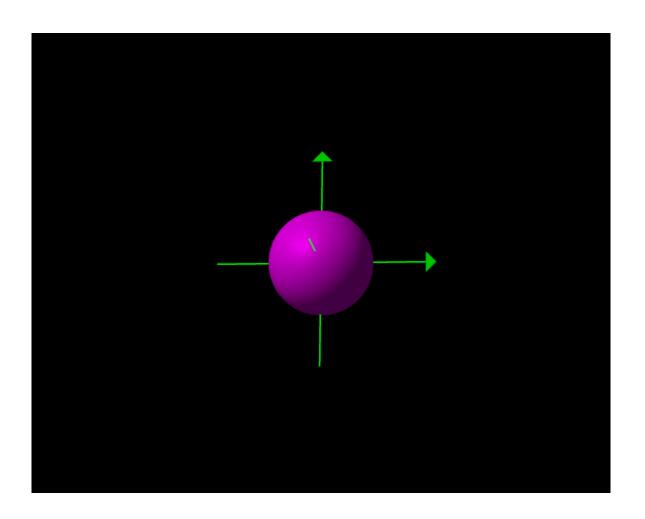
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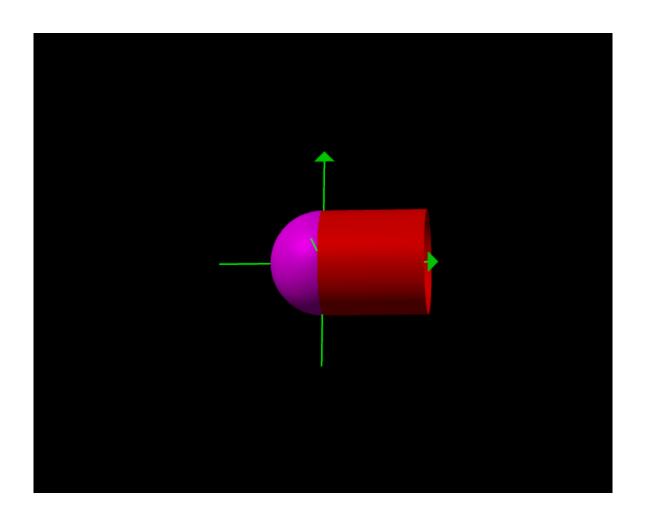
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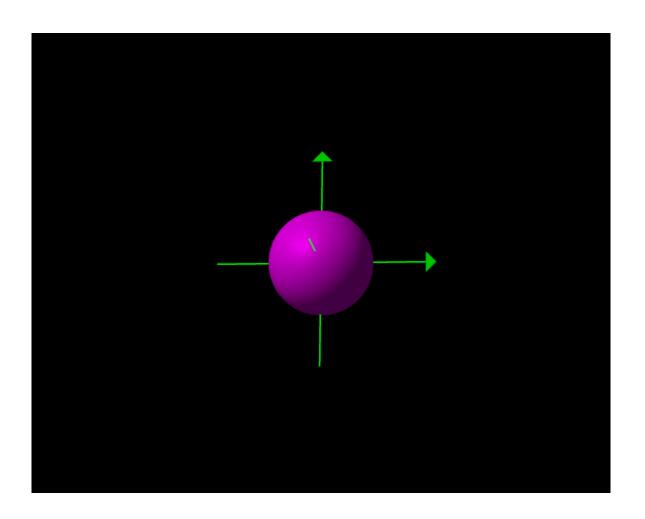
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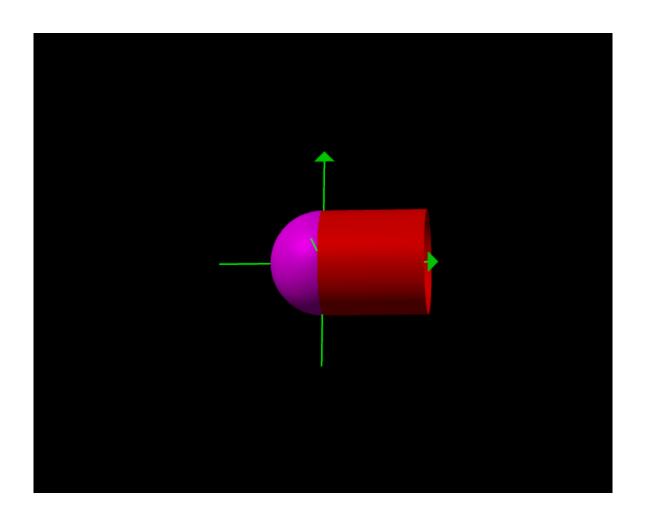
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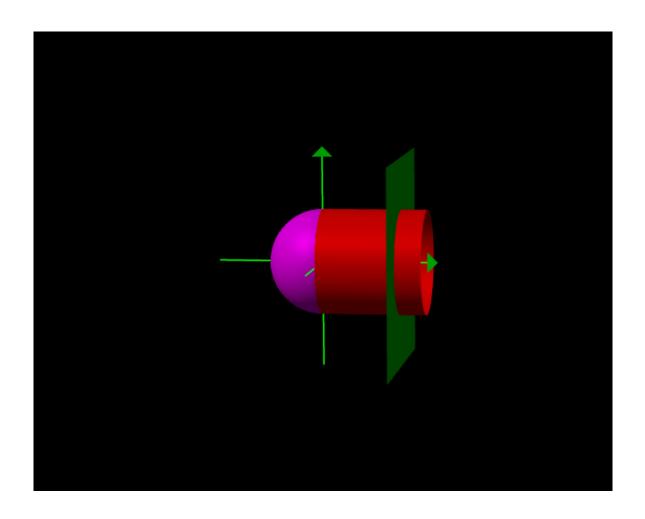
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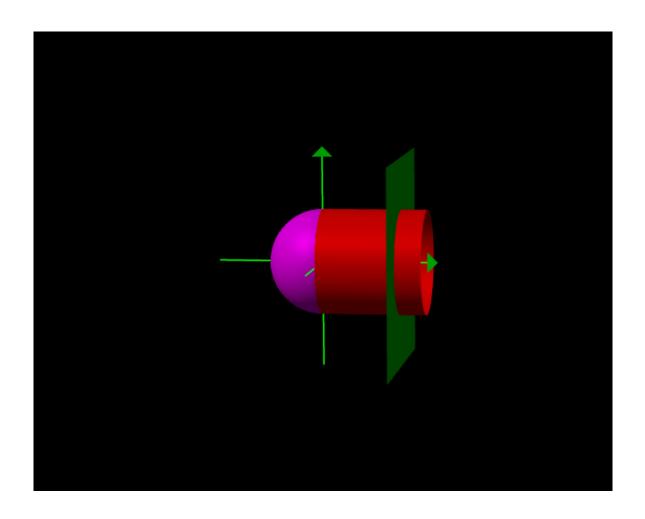
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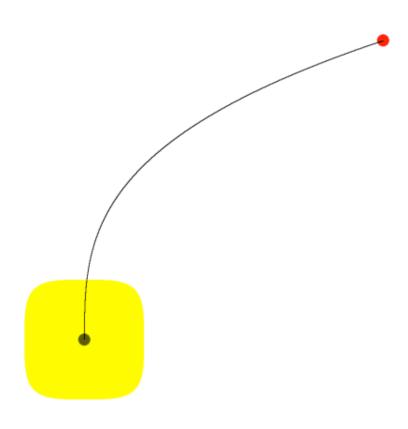
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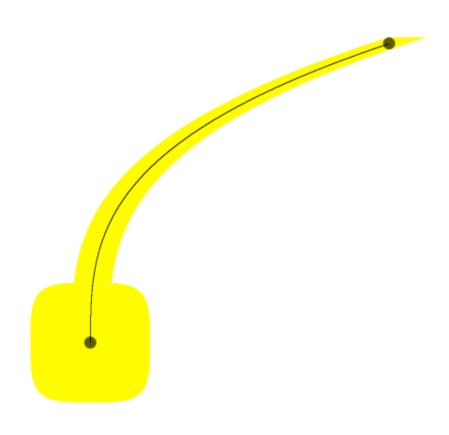
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