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**Title: RECURRENT CURVATURE LINES ON EUCLIDEAN SURFACES**

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**Abstract:** Principal curvature lines on a two-dimensional surface  $M^2$  mapped into  $R^3$  by means of an immersion  $\alpha$ , with normal map  $N_\alpha$ , are those maximal regular curves  $\gamma : R \rightarrow M^2$  which solve the *Rodrigues* (quadratic, implicit) differential equation:

$$DN_\alpha(\gamma)\gamma' \wedge D\alpha(\gamma)\gamma' = 0.$$

In this talk we will provide examples of immersions  $\alpha$  with recurrent principal curvature lines oriented compact surface  $M^2$  with genus 2. Previous examples for the torus and sphere will be discussed as an initial motivation. Open problems will be stated at the end.