## 1056-53-101 Alexander Diaz and Nathan Harman\* (nateharman1234@yahoo.com), 1203 S. Fernandez Ave., Arlington Heights, IL 60005, and Sean Howe and David Thompson. Manifolds with Density as Quotients of Riemannian Manifolds.

A manifold with density is a Riemannian manifold equipped with a positive density function that weights both volume and hypersurface area. One place these come up naturally is as quotients of Riemannian manifolds by a subgroup of their isometry group. First, we use this interpretation to solve the isoperimetric problem in certain manifolds with density by looking at the problem in a suitable Riemannian manifold modulo symmetry. Second, we discuss conditions under which solving the isoperimetric problem in a Riemannian manifold can be reduced to solving it in a manifold with density of lower dimension. (Received July 27, 2009)