

Instructions for authors

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[1] Kani, E., Schanz, W.: Diagonal quotient surfaces. *manuscripta math.* **93**, 67–108 (1997)

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