MAT1300, fall 2011. Homework 6, Question 3

Adapted from Guillemin and Pollack page 63.

- (a) Show that if a > 0 then the solid hyperboloid $\{x^2 + y^2 z^2 \le a\}$ is a manifold with boundary.
- (b) Determine for which values of $a \in \mathbb{R}$ the intersection of the solid hyperboloid $\{x^2+y^2-z^2 \leq a\}$ and the unit sphere $\{x^2+y^2+z^2=1\}$ is a manifold with boundary. What does this intersection look like?
- (c) For which values of a do the surfaces $\{x^2 + y^2 z^2 = a\}$ and $\{x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1\}$ intersect transversally?
- (d) Explain the relation between your answers to parts (b) and (c).