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Differential geometry provides an aesthetically appealing and often revealing view of statistical inference. Beginning with an elementary treatment of one-parameter statistical models and ending with an overview of recent developments, this is the first book to provide an introduction to the subject that is largely accessible to readers not already familiar with differential geometry. It also gives a streamlined entry into the field to readers with richer mathematical backgrounds. Much space is devoted to curved exponential families, which are of interest not only because they may be studied g