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1006-57-52 **Patrick M Gilmer*** (gilmer@math.lsu.edu). Arf invariants of links and and real algebraic curves. Preliminary report.

We give a generalization of a theorem of Fiedler's which prohibits some schemes for nodal maximal curves. This is obtained as a corollary of a more general result which is stated in terms of the Arf invariant of associated links. (Received January 30, 2005)