

Math 4432 - Spring 2019 Homework 3

Work all these problems and talk to me if you have any questions on them, but carefully write up and turn in **only** problems 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9. **Due: February 18**

1. The product of Hausdorff spaces is Hausdorff.
2. Show that a space X is Hausdorff if and only if $\Delta = \{(x, x) | x \in X\}$ is closed in $X \times X$.
3. Let $X = [0, 1]$, $A = \{0, 1\} \subset X$ and $Y = [4, 5]$. Define the map $f : A \rightarrow Y$ by $f(0) = 4$ and $f(1) = 5$. Show that $X \cup_f Y$ is homeomorphic to S^1 .
4. Let $X = \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$. Show that the decomposition space of X defined as

$$\mathcal{D} = \{S_r | r > 0\},$$

where $S_r = \{(x, y) | x^2 + y^2 = r^2\}$, is homeomorphic to \mathbb{R} .

5. Let $X = S^1 \times [0, 1]$ and consider the decomposition space

$$\mathcal{D} = \{\{(x, t)\} : t \in (0, 1] \text{ and } x \in S^1\} \cup \{(x, 0) : x \in S^1\},$$

that is the only non-trivial set in the decomposition is $S^1 \times \{0\}$. Prove that \mathcal{D} is homeomorphic to D^2 .

Remark: You might also want to try to show that if S^1 is replaced by S^n then the analogous decomposition space is homeomorphic to D^{n+1} .

6. Let D^2 be the unit disk in \mathbb{R}^2 and S^2 be the unit sphere in \mathbb{R}^3 . Show that the upper hemisphere of S^2 is homeomorphic to D^2 and similarly for the lower hemisphere. Use this to show that S^2 is homeomorphic to $D^2 \cup_g D^2$ for some homomorphism $g : S^1 \rightarrow S^1$ where $S^1 = \partial D^2$. Determine g .
7. Let D^2 be the unit disk in \mathbb{R}^2 . Let \mathcal{D} be a decomposition of \mathbb{R}^2 whose only non-trivial set is D^2 . Show \mathcal{D} is homeomorphic to \mathbb{R}^2 .
8. Let D be a disk and I be an interval in ∂D . If Σ is a surface and $f : I \rightarrow \partial \Sigma$ is an embedding, then show the surface

$$\Sigma \cup_f D$$

is homeomorphic to Σ .

Hint: It might be good to try to show that the space obtained from a disk and an annulus by gluing them along intervals in their boundary is homeomorphic to an annulus. You may assume, as discussed in class, that given any connected component B of $\partial \Sigma$ there is an open set U in Σ that contains B and is homeomorphic to $S^1 \times [0, 1)$.

9. Show that for any connected surface Σ and points p and q in Σ there is a homeomorphism $h : \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma$ such that $h(p) = q$.
Hint: Fix p and consider the set

$$S = \{q \in \Sigma \text{ such that there is a homeomorphism sending } p \text{ and } q\}.$$

Remark: Notice that from this problem you know for any non-empty surface there are an uncountable number of different homeomorphisms $\Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma$. Also, there are two extensions of this problem you might want to consider. 1) If M is a connected n -manifold and points p and q in M there is a homeomorphism $h : M \rightarrow M$ such that $h(p) = q$. 2) If M is a connected n -manifold, for $n > 1$, and $\{p_1, \dots, p_k\}$ and $\{q_1, \dots, q_k\}$ are two collections of distinct points in M , then there is a homeomorphism $h : M \rightarrow M$ such that $h(p_i) = q_i$ for $i = 1, \dots, k$. What happens for $n = 1$? Is there any similar statement that can be made?