

Homework 7

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Problem 1. Hatcher, 1.2.8: compute the fundamental group of the space obtained from two tori $S^1 \times S^1$ by identifying a circle $S^1 \times \{x_0\}$ in one torus with the corresponding circle $S^1 \times \{x_0\}$ in the other torus.

Proof. Let X be the space defined above. Then X is the union of two path-connected spaces with path-connected intersection, and we may apply Van Kampen's theorem: the fundamental group of X is defined as the following pushout:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi_1(S^1) & \xrightarrow{i_1} & \pi_1(S^1 \times S^1) \\ \downarrow i_2 & & \downarrow \\ \pi_1(S^1 \times S^1) & \xrightarrow{\quad r \quad} & \pi_1(X) \end{array}$$

Where the homomorphisms i_1 and i_2 are both induced by the injection

$$\begin{aligned} \iota : S^1 &\rightarrow S^1 \times S^1 \\ x &\mapsto (x, x_0) \end{aligned}$$

This takes the generating loop of $\pi_1(S^1)$ to one of the two generating loops of $S^1 \times S^1$ - say, the first, and so i_1 and i_2 can both be defined as the injection

$$\begin{aligned} i : \mathbb{Z} &\hookrightarrow \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \\ 1 &\mapsto (1, 0) \end{aligned}$$

So, our pushout diagram is the following:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{i_1} & \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \\ \downarrow i_2 & & \downarrow \\ \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{\quad r \quad} & \pi_1(X) \end{array}$$

Therefore, $\pi_1(X)$ is the free product of $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ with itself, quotiented by the identification of one copy of $\mathbb{Z} \times \{0\}$ with the other:

$$\pi_1(X) \simeq (\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}) *_{\mathbb{Z} \times \{0\}} (\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z})$$

Despite the fact that **Grp** is not in general distributive, the product and coproduct in this case commute, and so

$$\pi_1(X) \simeq \mathbb{Z} \times (\mathbb{Z} * \mathbb{Z})$$

Explicitly, this follows from the fact that, for any element in $(\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}) *_{\mathbb{Z} \times 0} (\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z})$, defined as a word formed from elements of $(\mathbb{Z} \text{ times } \mathbb{Z})_0$ and $(\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z})_1$, the first factors can be “brought out” of the word:

$$\begin{aligned} x &= (a, b)_1 \cdot (c, d)_2 \cdot \cdots \cdot (y, z)_i \\ &= (a, 0)(0, b)_1 \cdot (c, 0)(0, d)_2 \cdot \cdots \cdot (y, 0)(0, z)_i \\ &= (a + c + \cdots + y, 0) \cdot ((0, b)_1 \cdot (0, d)_2 \cdot \cdots \cdot (0, z)_i) \end{aligned}$$

So, every element of $(\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}) *_{\mathbb{Z} \times 0} (\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z})$ is determined uniquely by an element of $(\mathbb{Z} \times 0)$ and an element of $(0 \times \mathbb{Z}) * (0 \times \mathbb{Z})$. After checking that operations behave well and all elements commute that should, and using the identification $\mathbb{Z} \simeq 0 \times \mathbb{Z} \simeq \mathbb{Z} \times 0$, we have

$$\pi_1(X) \simeq \mathbb{Z} \times (\mathbb{Z} * \mathbb{Z})$$

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Problem 2. Hatcher, 1.2.11: The **mapping torus** T_f of a map $f : X \rightarrow X$ is the quotient of $X \times I$ obtained by identifying each point $(x, 0)$ with $(f(x), 1)$. In the case $X = S^1 \vee S^1$ with f basepoint-preserving, compute a presentation for $\pi_1(T_f)$ in terms of the induced map $f_* : \pi_1(X) \rightarrow \pi_1(X)$. Do the same when $X = S^1 \times S^1$.

Proof. One way we may view the mapping torus T_f is as a CW-complex obtained by affixing an $n + 1$ -cell for each n -cell C in X , which has as boundary the cell C , the product of the boundary of C with I , and its image $f(C)$.

In the case of $X = S^1 \vee S^1$, we have one 0-cell x_0 , which is mapped to x_0 and thus creates a 1-cell x_1^0 with both of its endpoints at x_0 , and two 1-cells x_1^1 and x_1^2 , which are mapped to some loops $f(x_1^1)$ and $f(x_1^2)$ in $S^1 \vee S^1$, and which give two 2-cells in X : one, x_2^1 , has boundary formed from x_1^1 , x_1^0 , and a reversed $f(x_1^1)$, and the other, x_2^2 , has boundary formed from x_1^2 , x_1^0 , and a reversed $f(x_1^2)$.

Thus there are 3 one-cells in X , all of which are loops, which give us 3 generators for the fundamental group, and 2 two-cells, which give us relations:

$$\pi_1(X) = \langle [x_1^0], [x_1^1], [x_1^2] \mid \langle [x_1^1 \cdot x_1^0 \cdot \overline{f(x_1^1)}], [x_1^2 \cdot x_1^0 \cdot \overline{f(x_1^2)}] \rangle \rangle$$

Next, we look at the case $X = S^1 \times S^1$. In this case, X has one 0-cell x_0 , two 1-cells x_1^1 and x_1^2 , and one 2-cell x_2^0 , which has as its boundary the path $x_1^1 \cdot x_1^2 \cdot \overline{(x_1^1)^{-1}} \cdot \overline{(x_1^2)^{-1}}$. The mapping torus T_f adds one 1-cell x_1^0 , with both endpoints at x_0 , two 2-cells x_2^1 and x_2^2 , with boundaries $x_1^1 \cdot x_1^0 \cdot \overline{f(x_1^1)}$ and $x_1^2 \cdot x_1^0 \cdot \overline{f(x_1^2)}$, respectively. There is also a 3-cell, which does not influence the fundamental group. These three 1-cells and three 2-cells give us a presentation of $\pi_1(X)$:

$$\pi_1(X) = \langle [x_1^0], [x_1^1], [x_1^2] \mid \langle [x_1^1 \cdot x_1^2 \cdot \overline{(x_1^1)^{-1}} \cdot \overline{(x_1^2)^{-1}}], [x_1^1 \cdot x_1^0 \cdot \overline{f(x_1^1)}], [x_1^2 \cdot x_1^0 \cdot \overline{f(x_1^2)}] \rangle \rangle$$

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