

I collaborated with Justin Wan on problem 2.

1. (a) Let $(x, y) \sim (w, z)$, then $w = \lambda x, z = \lambda^{-1}y$, so that $wz = \lambda\lambda^{-1}xy = xy$. Let $\pi : \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0, 0)\} / (\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\})$ be the quotient. Then $g(x, y) = f\pi(x, y) = xy$, is a polynomial function hence continuous. To show f is continuous, let $U \in \mathbb{R}$ be open, then $f^{-1}(U)$ is open iff $\pi^{-1}f^{-1}(U)$ by definition of quotient, but this is exactly $g^{-1}(U)$ which is open since g is continuous.

(b) $\#f^{-1}(t) = 1$, $t \neq 0$ and $\#f^{-1}(0) = 0$. Proof being $xy = 0 \iff x = 0$ or $y = 0$, so the preimages of 0 are $(1, 0)$ and $((0, 1))$. If $t \neq 0$, then $t = xy = zw$, we may write $z = \lambda x$, where $\lambda = \frac{z}{x} \neq 0$, then $xy = \lambda xw$, so that $w = \lambda^{-1}y$, proving that $\overline{(x, y)} = \overline{(z, w)}$.

(c) Let $(1, 0) \in U, (0, 1) \in V$, for open sets U, V . Then by definition of the quotient $\pi^{-1}(U)$ is open, hence by the local definition of open sets (from homework 1) we have some neighborhood of $(1, 0)$ contained in $\pi^{-1}(U)$. This implies that for some $\epsilon_x > 0$, $\{(1, r) | r < \epsilon\} \subset \pi^{-1}(U)$. Similarly, there exists some $\epsilon_y > 0$, such that $\{(r, 1) | r, \epsilon\} \subset \pi^{-1}(V)$. Now choose $r = \frac{\min(\epsilon_x, \epsilon_y)}{2}$, so that $(1, r) \in \pi\pi^{-1}(U) = U$, and $(r, 1) \in \pi\pi^{-1}(V) = V$. Then $(r, 1) \sim (r1, r^{-1}r) = (1, r)$ implies that $(r, 1) \in U \cap V$. This proves that X is not hausdorff, since $(1, 0)$ and $(0, 1)$ do not satisfy the Hausdorff condition.

(d) Consider the maps

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi : X &\rightarrow Y \\ \overline{(x, y)} &\mapsto \begin{cases} (xy, 0) & y \neq 0 \\ (xy, 1) & x \neq 0 \end{cases} \\ \tilde{\varphi} : Y &\rightarrow X \\ (s, t) &\mapsto \begin{cases} \overline{(s, 1)} & s \neq 0 \\ \overline{(0, 1)} & s = t = 0 \\ \overline{(1, 0)} & s = 0, t = 1 \end{cases}\end{aligned}$$

To check that this φ is injective (it is well defined by (a)), we only need check that $\overline{(1, 0)}, \overline{(0, 1)}$ map to separate points in Y , since part (c) guarantees the other elements are 1-1, so since these points map to 0 in the first coordinate, away from all other points, and map to separate points in Y the map is injective. To check surjectivity, $(0, 0)$ and $(0, 1)$ are mapped onto, so we can check the other points. $(x, 1) \mapsto (x, 0)$ shows surjectivity. Similarly, we check for $\tilde{\varphi}$, it is well defined since it just extends to equivalence classes. It is onto since $\overline{(0, 1)}, \overline{(1, 0)}$ are in the image, and any $(x, y) \sim (xy, 1)$ (for $x, y \neq 0$) has its equivalence class in the image. Injectivity is also clear since $(x, 1) \sim (y, 1)$ iff $x = y$ and $\overline{(1, 0)}$ is only mapped onto by one point. To see that these are inverse maps, it is immediate they are inverses in the case of $(0, 1), (0, 0) \in Y$ and $\overline{(0, 1)}, \overline{(1, 0)} \in X$. Checking this for $x, y, s \neq 0$ we have $\tilde{\varphi}\varphi(\overline{(x, y)}) = \overline{(xy, 1)} \sim (x, y)$ and $\varphi\tilde{\varphi}(s, 0) = (s, 0)$. It remains to show continuity of φ and $\varphi^{-1} = \tilde{\varphi}$.

Continuity of φ : Let U be open in Y , then U is of the form $\pi(V \times \{0\} \cup W \times \{1\})$, for $W, V \subset \mathbb{R}$ open. Hence we can write it in the form of $((V \setminus \{0\} \cup W \setminus \{0\}) \times \{0\}) \cup \chi_V \cup \chi_W$,

$$\chi_V = \begin{cases} \{0, 0\} & 0 \in V \\ \emptyset & 0 \notin V \end{cases} \quad \chi_W = \begin{cases} \{0, 1\} & 0 \in W \\ \emptyset & 0 \notin W \end{cases}$$

Now since $\{(0, 0)\}^c$ and $\{(0, 1)\}^c$ are open in Y (they are images of their compliments in $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{Z}$, where points are closed since T1 follows from hausdorff), it follows that $V \setminus \{0\} \cup W \setminus \{0\}$ is open. Then $(\pi_X \varphi)^{-1}((V \setminus \{0\} \cup W \setminus \{0\}) \times 0)$ is just $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\} | xy \in V \setminus \{0\} \cup W \setminus \{0\}\}$ but this is the preimage of an open set in \mathbb{R} of the continuous polynomial function $(x, y) \mapsto xy$, this proves continuity of φ by definition of the quotient space in the case of $\chi_V = \emptyset = \chi_W$. Now in the case where atleast one of χ_V, χ_W is non-empty, assume WLOG $\chi_V \neq \emptyset$, then since V is an open set in \mathbb{R} containing 0, it must contain some open set J containing 0. Then $(\pi_X \varphi)^{-1}((J \setminus \{0\}) \times \{0\})$ is the set $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\} | xy \in J \setminus \{0\}\}$, this is an open set since $J \setminus \{0\}$ is open, so for some ϵ it contains a set of the form $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\} | 0 < xy < \epsilon\}$. Now we take

$$(\pi_X \varphi)^{-1}(0, 1) = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\} | xy = 0\} \setminus \{(0, y) | y \neq 0\} \quad (\pi_X \varphi)^{-1}(0, 0) = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\} | xy = 0\} \setminus \{(x, 0) | x \neq 0\}$$

Note that $\{(0, y) | y \neq 0\}, \{(x, 0) | x \neq 0\}$ are closed in $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\}$ since their complements are open. Now in the case where $(0, 0) \in U$, $(\pi_X \varphi)^{-1}(U)$ contains the open set $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\} | xy < \epsilon\} \setminus \{(x, 0) | x \neq 0\}$ containing $(\pi_X \varphi)^{-1}(0, 0)$. Similarly if $(0, 1) \in U$, then $(\pi_X \varphi)^{-1}(U)$ contains the open set $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\} | xy < \epsilon\} \setminus \{(0, y) | y \neq 0\}$ containing $(\pi_X \varphi)^{-1}(0, 1)$. But since $(\pi_X \varphi)^{-1}(U) \supset (\pi_X \varphi)^{-1}((V \setminus \{0, 0\} \cup W \setminus (0, 1)) \times \{0\})$ is an open set containing every other point $(\pi_X \varphi)^{-1}(U)$ is open by the local definition of continuity. This proves that φ is continuous by definition of the quotient map.

Continuity of $\tilde{\varphi}$: Let U be an open set in X now let q be any point in U , but not $\overline{(1, 0)}$. Then we can write $q = \overline{(p, 1)}$ for some p . Then since U is open, $\pi_X^{-1}(U)$ is open containing $(p, 1)$, so for some $\epsilon > 0$ (where if $p \neq 0$

we can choose $\epsilon < |p|$, it contains $(p+t, 1)$ for t such that $|t| < \epsilon$. Then in the first case where $p \neq 0$ we have $(\pi_Y \tilde{\varphi})^{-1}\{(p, 1)\} = \{(p, 0), (p, 1)\}$ is contained in the open set $\{(p+t, s) | t < \epsilon, s \in \{0, 1\}\} \subset (\pi_Y \tilde{\varphi})^{-1}(U)$ here $\epsilon < |p|$ guarantees we have $(p+t, 0)$ and $(p+t, 1)$ in the preimage dealing with both points at once. Now in the second case where $p = 0$, we still have that $\{(p+t, 0) | t < \epsilon\} \subset (\pi_Y \tilde{\varphi})^{-1}(U)$, so the preimage still contains an open set containing $(0, 0)$. This proves continuity for any U not containing $(1, 0)$. If U does contain $(1, 0)$, then $\pi_X^{-1}(U)$ is an open set containing $(1, 0)$ hence for some $\epsilon > 0$ it contains $(1, t)$ for all t , such that $|t| < \epsilon$, this means that $\pi_X(\pi_X^{-1}(U))$ contains each $(1, t) = (t, tt^{-1}) = (t, 1)$. This implies that there is some open set containing $(1, 0)$ contained in $(\pi_Y \tilde{\varphi})^{-1}(U)$, namely

$$(\pi_Y \tilde{\varphi})^{-1}(U) \supset (\pi_Y \tilde{\varphi})^{-1}(\{(1, t) | |t| < \epsilon\}) \supset \{(t, 1) | |t| < \epsilon\}$$

This implies by the local definition that $(\pi_Y \tilde{\varphi})^{-1}(U)$ is open, so by definition of the quotient $\tilde{\varphi}^{-1}(U)$ is open. We conclude that $\tilde{\varphi} = \varphi^{-1}$ is continuous along with φ , making φ a homeomorphism from X to Y .

2. Take $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus (0, 0)$, and S^2 the unit sphere centered at the origin, then $H(x, t) = \frac{x}{1+t(|x|-1)}$ is a strong deformation retract of \mathbb{R}^3 onto S^2 , hence $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{\text{pt}\}$ is homotopic to S^2 .

Let J be the filled Torus (i.e. $D^2 \times S^1$), and let $D_{\text{Lat}}, D_{\text{Long}}$ denote the latitudinal and longitudinal discs respectively. Then we may write $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{\text{pt}\} = T^2 \sqcup (J^\circ \setminus \{\text{pt}\}) \sqcup (J^c)^\circ$. I will show that $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{\text{pt}\}$ strong deformation retracts onto $(J \setminus \{\text{pt}\}) \cup D_{\text{Long}}$, then show that $(J \setminus \{\text{pt}\}) \cup D_{\text{Long}}$ strong deformation retracts onto $T \cup D_{\text{Lat}} \cup D_{\text{Long}}$, the proof follows by transitivity of homotopy equivalence.

For the first equivalence, we can let P be the x, y plane, with $J \setminus \{\text{pt}\}$ embedded in $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{\text{pt}\}$ at height zero (wlog the point doesn't have height 0). Then we can strong deformation retract $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{\text{pt}\}$ by projecting the z -axis onto $P \cup (J \setminus \{\text{pt}\})$. Now given a point $p = (x_p, y_p, z_p)$, let (x_p, y_p, z_0) be the closest point to it in $P \cup (J \setminus \{\text{pt}\}) \cap \{(x_p, y_p, z) | z \in \mathbb{R}\}$. the homotopy can be written as $H((x, y, z), t) = (x, y, z + t(z_0 - z))$ for z_0 continuously depending on z (continuous since $P \cup J$ is smooth). Now we can deformation retract $P \cup (J \setminus \{\text{pt}\})$ onto $J \setminus \{\text{pt}\} \cup D_{\text{Long}}$, the retract H is defined to be constant on $J \setminus \{\text{pt}\} \cup D_{\text{Long}}$, then assuming the radius from the origin to the outer edge of the torus is R we only need to define it on points of $P \setminus D_R^2$, where D_R^2 denotes the disc of radius R . On such points, define $H(p, t) = \frac{p}{1+tR(|p|-1/R)}$. Transitivity of homotopy equivalence proves that $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{\text{pt}\} \simeq_H (J \setminus \{\text{pt}\}) \cup D_{\text{Long}}$.

Now note to show a strong deformation retract of $(J \setminus \{\text{pt}\}) \cup D_{\text{Long}}$ onto $T^2 \cup D_{\text{Lat}} \cup D_{\text{Long}}$, it will suffice to show one exists from $J \setminus \{\text{pt}\}$ onto $T^2 \cup D_{\text{Lat}}$, since $\partial D_{\text{Long}} \subset T^2$ implies that T^2 remaining fixed in our homotopy allows us to fix D_{Long} in our homotopy. Now we may identify $J \setminus \{\text{pt}\} = \frac{D^2 \times I \setminus \{\text{pt}\}}{(x, 1) \sim (x, 0)}$. Considering the cylinder centered at the origin, with origin removed, i.e. $D^2 \times I \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$, we can write a homotopy to $\partial(D^2 \times I)$, namely for each point p , let q_p be the intersection of the ray from the origin through p with $\partial(D^2 \times I)$. It is clear that q_p varies continuously with respect to p , so we write the homotopy $H(p, t) = \frac{p}{1+t(|\frac{p}{q_p}|-1)}$. Then since a strong deformation retract of the space induces a strong deformation retract of the quotient space, we get that

$$J \setminus \{\text{pt}\} = \frac{D^2 \times I \setminus \{\text{pt}\}}{(x, 1) \sim (x, 0)} \simeq_H \frac{\partial(D^2 \times I)}{(x, 1) \sim (x, 0)} = \frac{S^1 \times I \cup D \times \{0\}}{(x, 1) \sim (x, 0)} = T^2 \cup D_{\text{Lat}}$$

Now as previously mentioned, since this map is a strong deformation retract, it induces one on $J \setminus \{\text{pt}\} \cup D_{\text{Long}}$ to $T^2 \cup D_{\text{Long}} \cup D_{\text{Lat}} = X$. Meaning by transitivity we have $S^2 \simeq_H \mathbb{R}^3 - \{\text{pt}\} \simeq_H X$.

Proof that strong deformation retract induces strong deformation retract on quotient. Let H be a strong deformation retract of the topological space X , we want to show there exists a strong deformation retract \overline{H} of X/\sim , which is the quotient of H . To do so, define the equivalence relation \approx on $H \times I$, where $(x, t) \approx (y, s)$ iff $x \sim y$ and $t = s$. Then we can take π_\sim to be the quotient map $X \rightarrow X/\sim$, we have that $\pi_\sim H$ is a map from $H \times I$ to X/\sim , which is level on equivalence classes of \approx , since \approx induces no relations on I , and we are taking the quotient by \sim in the map. Hence by the universal property of quotient maps we have some map $\overline{H} : \frac{H \times I}{\approx} \rightarrow X/\sim$, which is equal to $\pi_\sim H$, hence if H was a deformation retract of X onto $Y \subset X$, then $\overline{H}(\frac{H \times I}{\approx}) \subset Y/\sim$, and Y/\sim remains fixed, since \overline{H} agrees with $H\pi_\sim$. This is equivalent to saying there exists \overline{H} making the following diagram commute:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X \times I & \xrightarrow{H} & X \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \frac{X \times I}{\approx} & \xrightarrow{\exists \overline{H}} & X/\sim \end{array}$$

then we can identify $\frac{X \times I}{\approx} = X/\sim \times I$, so that \overline{H} is in fact our desired homotopy.

Lemma. I will use the following lemma to streamline my proofs for problems 3 and 4.

If $\psi : X \rightarrow Y$ is a homeomorphism, and \sim is an equivalence relation on X , and \approx a equivalence relation on Y , such that $\psi(a) \approx \psi(b) \iff a \sim b$, then $X/\sim \simeq Y/\approx$, this says that homeomorphisms from $X \rightarrow Y$ induce homeomorphisms to the quotients when the points in the same equivalence classes induced by the quotient on Y are images of the points in the same equivalence classes induced by the quotient on X , see the diagram.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{\psi} & Y \\ \downarrow \pi_{\sim} & & \downarrow \pi_{\approx} \\ X/\sim & \xrightarrow{\bar{\psi}} & Y/\approx \end{array}$$

proof. Define $\bar{\psi} : X/\sim \rightarrow Y/\approx$, by $\bar{\psi} : \bar{x} \mapsto \overline{\psi(x)}$, this is surjective since ψ is surjective and $\bar{\psi}$ is well defined/injective by definition of \approx . We can define $\bar{\psi}^{-1} : Y/\approx \rightarrow X/\sim$, in the same way. This is the inverse of $\bar{\psi}$, since $\bar{\psi}$ and $\bar{\psi}^{-1}$ are just restrictions to equivalence classes of ψ and ψ^{-1} . To show $\bar{\psi}$ is continuous, note that $\bar{\psi} = \pi_{\approx} \psi$. Let U be open in Y/\approx , then the preimage of U under π_{\approx} is open by definition, so continuity follows from continuity of ψ . The proof for continuity of $\bar{\psi}^{-1}$ is the same.

Additional Justification for problems 3 and 4. Once again, to streamline the proofs for 3 and 4, I will explain here why the following map is a homeomorphism.

$$\begin{aligned} C_{1_{S^1}} &\xrightarrow{\psi} D^2 \\ (\theta, t) &\mapsto (\theta, 1-t) \end{aligned}$$

This map is clearly bijective, so that it will suffice to show continuity by the closed map lemma, since $C_{1_{S^1}}$ is the quotient of a compact space hence compact (Heine Borel theorem on $S^1 \times I$) and D^2 is Hausdorff. To see that the map is continuous, let $U \subset D^2$ open. If U does not contain $(0,0)$, then we can just regard ψ as a continuous map between $S^1 \times I$ and D^2 since it is unaffected by the quotient. Now examining the case where U contains $(0,0)$, by the local definition of open it must contain some neighborhood around $(0,0)$, and hence $\pi^{-1}\psi^{-1}(U)$ contains $S^1 \times \{t\}$ for t sufficiently close to 1, so that by definition of the quotient $(x,1)$ is contained in an open set in $\psi^{-1}(U)$. Then since D^2 is Hausdorff, each other point is contained in a neighborhood in U not containing $(0,0)$, so its preimage is contained in some neighborhood of $\pi^{-1}\psi^{-1}(U)$ as explained previously, this shows that $\psi^{-1}(U)$ is open by the local definition of open so we are done.

3. We use the equivalent definition of \mathbb{RP}^2 as D^2/\sim , identifying $e^{ix} \sim e^{-ix}$. Now writing out the mapping cone,

$$C_f \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} S^1 \times I \sqcup S_Y^1 / ((e^{ix}, 0) \approx e_Y^{2ix}, (e^{ix}, 1) \approx (e^{iy}, 1))$$

Now consider $x, y \in [0, 2\pi)$ we can notice $(e^{ix}, 0) \approx (e^{iy}, 0) \iff e^{2ix} = e^{2iy}$. WLOG we can assume $x < y$, so that $y = x + r$, $0 < r < 2\pi$. Then with these restrictions $e^{2ix} = e^{2i(x+r)} \iff r = \pi$, so that the equivalence relation identifies $e^{ix} \approx e^{ix+\pi} = e^{-ix}$.

Now define consider the map $C_{1_{S^1}} \xrightarrow{\psi} D^2$, $(\theta, t) \mapsto (\theta, 1-t)$, this map is a homeomorphism as explained previously. Additionally, the antipodal points on the boundaries of $S^1 \times \{0\}$ and ∂D^2 remain antipodal under this map. So the lemma gives us $D^2/\sim \simeq C_{1_{S^1}}/\approx = C_f$

4. Note that the triangle is homeomorphic to the disc. We can inscribe the triangle in a circle with radius R . Then for each point p , let q be the intersection of the ray through p and the origin with the boundary of the triangle. For each of these points we can map $p \mapsto \frac{Rp}{|q|}$ this is a homeomorphism since q varies smoothly with p and we have inverse $p \mapsto \frac{|q|p}{R}$, where q comes from inscribing the triangle in the circle, which is also continuous. It follows that the equivalence relation induced on D^2 is $e^{ix} \sim e^{ix} e^{\frac{2\pi}{3}} \sim e^{-ix}$, which can be seen by the picture and lemma. So that the dunce cap can be written as D^2/\sim .

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Now consider the maps 1_{S^1} and

$$\begin{aligned} f : S^1 &\rightarrow S^1 \\ e^{ix} &\mapsto \begin{cases} e^{3ix} & 0 \leq x < \frac{4\pi}{3} \\ e^{-3ix} & \frac{4\pi}{3} \leq x < 2\pi \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Take the mapping cone

$$C_f = \frac{S^1 \times I \sqcup S^1}{(x, 0) \sim f(x), (x, 1) \sim (y, 1)}$$

For each x , we have $f^{-1}(x) = \{e^{ix/3}, e^{i(x+2\pi)/3}, e^{-ix/3}\}$, so the equivalence relation induced by $(x, 0) \sim f$ can be seen to be $e^{ix/3} \sim e^{i(x+2\pi)/3} \sim e^{-ix/3}$. We can then take the map $C_{\mathbf{1}_{S^1}} \xrightarrow{\psi} D^2$, where $(x, t) \mapsto (x, 1-t)$, this is a homeomorphism as explained previously. Since C_f is a quotient of $C_{\mathbf{1}_{S^1}}$ by the image of quotients in D^2/\sim via $\psi^{-1}(D^2)$, the lemma implies that $C_f \simeq D^2/\sim$ the dunce cap.

We have that $C_{\mathbf{1}_{S^1}}$ is contractible, using the homotopy $H((x, t), s) = (x, t(1-s))$, so it will suffice to show that $C_f \simeq_H C_{\mathbf{1}_{S^1}}$, and we have proven in class that homotopic maps have homotopic cones. I will show $f \sim \rho \sim \mathbf{1}_{S^1}$, where

$$\rho : e^{ix} \mapsto \begin{cases} e^{3ix} & 0 < x < 2\pi/3 \\ 1 & 2\pi/3 \leq x < 2\pi \end{cases}$$

I will provide H_1 for the first equivalence $f \sim \rho$ and H_2 for the second $\rho \sim \mathbf{1}_{S^1}$.

$$H_1(x, t) : \begin{cases} x \mapsto f(x) & x < \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{3}t \text{ or } x > \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{3}t \\ x \mapsto f(\frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{3}t) & \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{3}t \leq x \leq \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{3}t \end{cases}$$

$$H_2(x, t) : \begin{cases} x \mapsto f(\frac{x}{1+2t}) \end{cases}$$