

HOMEWORK 11

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Exercise 1 (Hatcher §2.2.29). The surface M_g of genus g , embedded in \mathbb{R}^3 in the standard way, bounds a compact region R . Two copies of R , glued together by the identity map between their boundary surfaces M_g , form a closed 3-manifold X . Compute the homology groups of X via the Mayer-Vietoris sequence for this decomposition of X into two copies of R . Also compute the relative groups $H_i(R, M_g)$.

Exercise 2 (Hatcher §2.B.3). Let $(D, S) \subset (D^n, S^{n-1})$ be a pair of subspaces homeomorphic to (D^k, S^{k-1}) with $D \cap S^{n-1} = S$. Show the inclusion $S^{n-1} \setminus S \hookrightarrow D^n \setminus D$ induces an isomorphism on homology. [Glue two copies of (D^n, D) to the two ends of $(S^{n-1} \times I, S \times I)$ to produce a k -sphere in S^n and look at a Mayer-vietoris sequence for the complement of this k -sphere.]

Exercise 3 (Hatcher §2.C.2). Use the Lefschetz fixed point theorem to show that a map $S^n \rightarrow S^n$ has a fixed point unless its degree is equal to the degree of the antipodal map $x \mapsto -x$.

Let $\mathbb{R}_+^n = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x_n \geq 0\}$.

Let $0 = (0, \dots, 0) \in \mathbb{R}_+^n \subset \mathbb{R}^n$.

For questions 1 and 2, define an n -manifold to be a Hausdorff space M such that every $x \in M$ has a neighborhood U such that either

$$(U, x) \cong (\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \quad \text{or} \quad (U, x) \cong (\mathbb{R}_+^n, 0) .$$

Define

$$\text{int}(M) = \{x \in M \mid x \text{ has a neighborhood of the first type}\} ;$$

$$\partial M = \{x \in M \mid x \text{ has a neighborhood of the second type}\} .$$

Exercise 4. Show that

- (i) $(\text{int}(M)) \cap \partial M = \emptyset$.
- (ii) $\text{int}(M)$ is an n -manifold and $\partial(\text{int}(M)) = \emptyset$.
- (iii) ∂M is an $(n-1)$ -manifold and $\partial(\partial M) = \emptyset$.

Exercise 5. Let M and N be n -manifolds without boundary, and let $f : M \rightarrow N$ be a continuous bijection. Show that f is a homeomorphism.

Exercise 6. Use the Borsuk-Ulam theorem to prove that if

$$S^n = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n+1} A_i$$

where A_i is closed in S^n , $1 \leq i \leq n+1$, then some A_i contains a pair of antipodal points.