## Computational Topology $\frac{1}{2}$ Problem Set 1

- 1. Determine which of the following is a proper topology for the integers  $\mathbb{Z}$ . If the set is not a proper topology, then give the additional elements to make the set a proper topology and provide justification why the given elements should be added.
  - (a) Let  $\mathbb{Z}_O$  denote the odd integers and  $\mathbb{Z}_E$  denote the even integers.  $\mathbb{T} = \{\emptyset, \mathbb{Z}_O, \mathbb{Z}_E, \mathbb{Z}\}$

(b) Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_k$  denote the integers that whose absolute value is less than k (i.e. |x| < k).  $\mathbb{T} = {\mathbb{Z}_k \mid k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ 

2. Let  $(\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{T})$  be a topological space. Suppose that  $\{n, n+1\} \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\} \subset \mathbb{T}$ . Prove that  $\mathbb{T}$  is the discrete topology.

3. Let  $X=\{1,2,3,4\}$ . Now consider two different topologies for X,  $\mathbb{T}=\{\emptyset,\{2\},\{1,2\},\{3,4\},X\}$  and  $\mathbb{S}=\{\emptyset,\{1\},\{2,3\},\{1,4\},X\}$ . Show that  $(X,\mathbb{T})$  and  $(X,\mathbb{S})$  are homeomorphic.

- 4. (Python Question)
  - (a) Create a python script that intake a list of vertices and outputs a random simplicial complex from the given vertices.
  - (b) Modify your script to compute the Euler Characteristic for the generated complex.
  - (c) Generate 100 complexes from a list of 10 vertices and record each Euler Characteristic.
  - (d) Find the average Euler Characteristic from part d and plot the results in a histogram and a box plot plot. Discuss your findings.