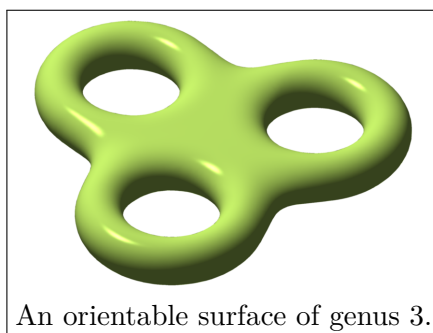


# Exercise Sheet for *Topology I*, 2017/18

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## Exercise 51 (Klein bottle)

Calculate the fundamental group of the Klein bottle.

## Exercise 52 (Calculate the fundamental group of the projective plane)

Calculate the fundamental group of  $\mathbb{RP}^2$ .

## Exercise 53 (Fundamental group $X \vee Y$ )

Let  $x \in X$  be a path-connected topological space with an open neighborhood  $U$  of  $x$  that deformation-retracts to  $x$ .

Let  $y \in Y$  be a path-connected topological space with an open neighborhood  $V$  of  $y$  that deformation-retracts to  $y$ .

Calculate  $\pi_1((X, x) \vee (Y, y), x)$ , where we identify  $x \in X \vee Y$  with the image of  $x$  of the canonical inclusion  $X \hookrightarrow X \vee Y$ !

## Exercise 54 (One circle in $\mathbb{R}^3$ )

Consider

$$A = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid z = 0, x^2 + y^2 = \frac{1}{2}\} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$$

the subspace of one circle.

We want to prove that  $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus A$  is homotopy equivalent to  $S^2$  with one diameter attached.

1. Consider the map

$$f: X = (\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \times [0, 2\pi] \times [0, \pi]) / \sim \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3, \quad (r, u, v) \mapsto (r \cos(u) \sin(v), r \sin(u) \sin(v), r \cos(v)),$$

where  $\sim$  is generated by  $(0, u, v) \sim (0, u', v')$  and  $(r, 0, v) \sim (r, 2\pi, v)$ . Prove that  $f$  is a homeomorphism.

2. Consider the subspace  $B \subset X$  given by

$$B = \{[(\frac{1}{2}, u, \frac{\pi}{2})] \in X.\}$$

Prove that  $f$  induces a homeomorphism  $X \setminus B \cong \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus A$ .

3. Prove that  $X \setminus B$  is homotopy equivalent to

$$C = \{[(r, u, v)] \in X \mid r = 1 \vee r = 0 \vee v = 0 \vee v = \pi\}.$$

(Recall Exercise 14.)

4. Conclude by using  $f$  that  $X \setminus A$  is homeomorphic to

$$\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1 \vee x = y = 0\}.$$

**Exercise 55** (Two unlinked circles in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ )

Consider

$$A = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid z = \pm 1, x^2 + y^2 = \frac{1}{2}\} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$$

the subspace of two unlinked circles. Calculate  $\pi_1(\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus A, 0)$ !

Hint: It might be useful to see that  $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus A$  is homotopy equivalent to  $D^3 \vee D^3 \setminus A$ . Where  $D^2 \vee D^2$  is given by

$$\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x^2 + y^2 + (z - 1)^2 \leq 1 \vee x^2 + y^2 + (z + 1)^2 \leq 1\}.$$

Now one can use the previous exercise. To find a good representative of  $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus A$ .

**Exercise 56** (Two linked circles in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ )

Consider

$$B = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid (z = 0, x^2 + y^2 = 1) \vee (x = 0, y^2 + (z - 1)^2 = 1)\} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$$

the subspace of two unlinked circles. Calculate  $\pi_1(\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus B, 0)$ !

Convince yourself that  $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus B$  is homotopy equivalent to  $S^2 \vee (S^1 \times S^1)$ . Having done that, you may use this, without a proof.

Remark: With this and the previous exercise, we have shown, that one can distinguish two linked circles from two unlinked circles.

**Exercise 57** (Lines through the origin in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ )

Let  $X \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  be the union of  $n$  distinct lines through the origin. Calculate the fundamental group of  $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus X$ .

Hint: Show first that  $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus X \simeq S^2 \setminus (X \cap S^2)$ .

**Exercise 58** (Fundamental group of the oriented surface of genus  $g$ )

The surface of genus  $g$  is obtained the following way. Take a regular  $4g$ -gon and identify the edges according to this formula:

$$a_1 b_1 a_1^{-1} b_1^{-1} a_2 b_2 a_2^{-1} b_2^{-1} \dots a_g b_g a_g^{-1} b_g^{-1}.$$

As you can see the surface of genus 1 is the torus.

Calculate the fundamental group of the oriented surface of genus  $g$ . (Hint: Take the enlarged boundary of the polygon as  $X_1$  and the interior as  $X_2$  and then apply Seifert-van Kampen).

Why may we say the oriented surface of genus  $g$ ?