Exercise Sheet for Topology I, 2017/18

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Exercise 14 (Flat tire)

Consider the torus $T=S^1\times S^1$ with the point ((-1,0),(-1,0)) removed

$$X := S^1 \times S^1 \setminus \{((-1,0), (-1,0))\}.$$

This space is called a *punctured torus*. Now consider the subspace $Y \subset X$,

$$Y := S^1 \times \{(0,1)\} \cup \{(1,0)\} \times S^1.$$

Show that Y is a deformation retract of X.

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Exercise 15 (Homotopic to a constant map)

Given a continous map $f: S^n \to X$, from the *n*-dimensional sphere to a space X, show that the following statements are equivalent.

- (a) f is homotopic to a constant map.
- (b) There is continuous map $g: D^{n+1} \to X$, such that $g_{S^n} = f$, where we identify S^n as a subset of the n + 1-dimensional closed ball D^{n+1} .
- (c) There is continuous map $h: S^{n+1} \to X$, such that $h_{S^n} = f$, where we identify S^n as a subset (equator) of the n + 1-dimensional sphere S^{d+1} .

Exercise 16 (Homotopy Extension Property)

Given a space X and a subspace $A \subset X$. We say that the pair (X, A) has the *homotopy extension* property if for every $F: X \to Y$ and every homotopy

$$h: A \times [0,1] \to Y,$$

between F_A and some $g \colon A \to Y$ there is a homotopy

$$H\colon X\times[0,1]\to Y,$$

which restricts to *h*, i.e. $H_{A \times [0,1]} = h$.

Show that the following statements are equivalent.

- (a) (X, A) has the homotopy extension property.
- (b) $(X \times \{0\} \cup A \times I)$ is a deformation retract of $X \times I$.

Exercise 17 (Quotient of the torus)

Consider the torus $T := S^1 \times S^1$ and consider the following equivalence relation on T:

$$(x, y) \sim (y, x).$$

Let X be the quotient T/\sim . Define the Möbius strip to be the space $M := [-1,1] \times [-1,1]/\approx$, where \approx is the equivalence relation $(x,1) \approx (-x,-1)$. Show that X is homeomorphic to M. To what subset of the torus are the diagonal elements $\{[(x,x)]|(x,x) \in T\} \subset X$ mapped under a homeomorphism between X and M.