

Topology

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9.10 $\gamma := \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x^2 + y^2 = 1, z = 0\}$

$\Gamma := \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x = y = 0\}$

WTS $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \gamma \not\cong_{\text{homeo}} \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus (\gamma \cup \Gamma)$

Proof Idea: show $\pi_1(\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \gamma) \not\cong_{\text{iso}} \pi_1(\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus (\gamma \cup \Gamma))$

• $\pi_1(\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \gamma)$:

Consider the following sets: $D^2 := \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x^2 + y^2 \leq 1, z = 0\}$

$D_0^2 := \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x^2 + y^2 < 1, z = 0\}$

$T := S^1 \times D_0^2$, i.e. an open, filled torus placed in \mathbb{R}^3 s.t.

D_0^2 is a cross-section.

Set $A := \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus D^2$

$B := T$

$\Rightarrow A \& B$ are open and path-connected, furthermore their intersection $A \cap B = T \setminus D_0^2$ is also path-connected

$A \cap B$ is contractible since $T \setminus D_0^2 = (S^1 \setminus \{x_0\}) \times D_0^2$

$\cong \mathbb{R} \times D_0^2 \cong (0, 1) \times D_0^2$ which is just an open cylinder $\cong \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow$ contractible.
 \uparrow stereographic proj.

$\Rightarrow \pi_1(A \cap B) = \{0\} \Rightarrow$ by comment 2b of the lecture $\pi_1(X) = \pi_1(A) * \pi_1(B)$

$T \stackrel{\text{homotopic}}{\simeq} S^1$ as D_0^2 is contractible $\Rightarrow \pi_1(B) = \mathbb{Z}$.

$A \simeq \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{0\} \simeq S^2$ using $\begin{cases} f: S^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{0\}, f(x) = x \\ g: \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow S^2, g(x) = \frac{x}{\|x\|} \end{cases}$

then $g \circ f = \text{id}_{S^2}$, $(f \circ g)(x) = \frac{x}{\|x\|} \rightsquigarrow$ homotopic to $\text{id}_{\mathbb{R}^3}$ via $H(x, t) = tx + \frac{x}{\|x\|}(1-t)$

In the lecture we've proven that $\pi_1(S^2) = \{0\}$

$\Rightarrow \pi_1(\mathbb{R} \setminus \gamma) = \pi_1(B) * \{0\} = \pi_1(B) = \mathbb{Z}$.

• $\pi_1(\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus (\gamma \cup \Gamma))$:

First note that we can express $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \Gamma$ as $S^1 \times \mathbb{R}_+$

where we define \mathbb{R}_+ as $\{(x, z) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x > 0\}$

\Rightarrow in a similar manner we find $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus (\gamma \cup \Gamma)$ to be equal to

$S^1 \times P$ where $P := \{(x, z) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x > 0, (x, z) \neq (1, 0)\}$

$\Rightarrow \pi_1(B) = \pi_1(S^1 \times P) \stackrel{\uparrow S^1 \& P \text{ path-con.}}{=} \pi_1(S^1) \times \pi_1(P)$.

$P \simeq \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\} \simeq S^1$

\uparrow as above in case of \mathbb{R}^3

$\Rightarrow \pi_1(\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus (\gamma \cup \Gamma)) = \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \stackrel{\not\cong_{\text{iso}}}{\neq} \mathbb{Z} = \pi_1(\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \gamma) \Rightarrow$ Spaces cannot be homeomorphic \square

