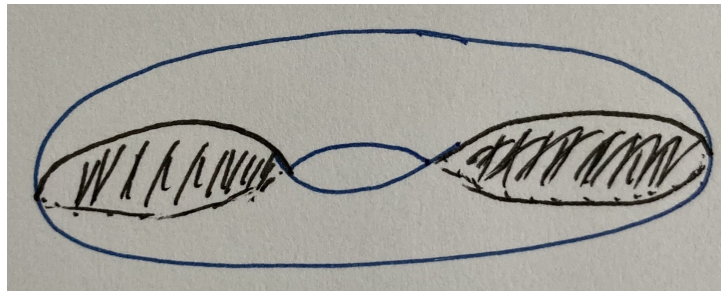


Ph.D. Examination – Topology  
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Work the following problems and show all work. Support all statements to the best of your ability. Work each problem on a separate sheet of paper.

1. Suppose  $M$  is a compact 5-manifold with  $H_0(M; \mathbb{Z}) = \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $H_1(M; \mathbb{Z}) = \mathbb{Z}_3$ , and  $H_2(M; \mathbb{Z}) = \mathbb{Z}$ . Is  $M$  orientable? What are  $H_3(M; \mathbb{Z})$ ,  $H_4(M; \mathbb{Z})$ , and  $H_5(M; \mathbb{Z})$ ?
2. Let  $M$  be a compact, connected, nonorientable 3-manifold. Prove that  $H_1(M; \mathbb{Z})$  is infinite.
3. Let  $X$  be a connected metric space with metric  $d$  and let  $p \in X$ . Prove that if  $X \setminus \{p\} \neq \emptyset$ , then  $X \setminus \{p\}$  is not compact.
4. Let  $\Sigma_g$  denote the closed surface of genus  $g$ , and let  $\Sigma_{g,r}$  denote the surface of genus  $g$  with  $r$  boundary components (i.e.,  $\Sigma_g$  with  $r$  discs removed). Which of the surfaces  $\Sigma_{g,r}$  can admit a map  $f : \Sigma_{g,r} \rightarrow \Sigma_{g,r}$  homotopic to the identity that does not have a fixed point?
5. Let  $X$  be the space obtained by filling in two discs in the torus, as shown (the discs lie inside the surface of the torus). Compute  $H_\bullet(X; \mathbb{Z})$ .



Answer the following with complete definitions, statements, or short proofs.

6. Prove or give a counterexample: If  $A \subset X$  is path-connected, then the closure  $\overline{A}$  is path-connected.
7. Compute  $\chi(\mathbb{R}P^2 \times \mathbb{C}P^3 \times S^4)$
8. Give the definition of a normal topological space. Show that a smooth manifold is a normal space.
9. Prove that a continuous bijection from a compact space to a Hausdorff space is a homeomorphism.
10. Prove that if  $m \neq n$ , then  $\mathbb{R}^m$  is not homeomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

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11. Prove that the torus  $T^2 = S^1 \times S^1$  is not homotopy equivalent to  $S^1 \vee S^1 \vee S^2$ .
12. State the Tietze Extension Theorem.
13. Describe all the connected covering spaces  $E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}P^2 \vee \mathbb{R}P^3$ .
14. Does the following exact sequence of abelian groups necessarily split? Prove or give a counterexample.

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2 \rightarrow A \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2 \rightarrow 0$$

15. Compute the integral homology of the space  $\mathbb{C}P^2 \times \mathbb{R}P^2$ .