MA3H6 Exercise sheet 6.

Please let me know if any of the problems are unclear or have typos. Please turn in a *single* worked exercise. Record your name, the date, and the problem solved. Please also write the names of people and/or references you consult.

## Exercise 6.1.

- Let X be a copy of the Möbius band. Let  $A = \partial X$  be the topological boundary of X. Find a  $\Delta$ -complex structure on X and thus on A.
- Let X be a copy of the two-torus, minus a small open disk. Let  $A = \partial X$  be the topological boundary of X. Find a  $\Delta$ -complex structure on X and thus on A.

In each of the two cases above: compute the homology groups of A and of X, the maps on homology induced by inclusion, and the relative homology groups of the pair (X, A).

## Exercise 6.2.

- Show if (X, A) is a good pair then so is (X/A, A/A). [Harder] What about the converse?
- Suppose H is the Hawaiian earring and 0 is the origin. Show  $(H, \{0\})$  is not a good pair.

**Exercise 6.3.** Prove the inclusions  $(B^n, S^{n-1}) \subset (B^n, B^n - \{0\}) \subset (\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n - \{0\})$  induce isomorphisms of relative homologies. (We used this in our proof of invariance of domain.)

**Exercise 6.4.** [Medium. See Hatcher page 133, problem 27, for definitions.] Show the inclusion  $i: (B^n, S^{n-1}) \to (B^n, B^n - \{0\})$  is not a homotopy equivalence of pairs. (This rules out one possible approach to Exercise 6.3.)

**Exercise 6.5.** Suppose  $f: B^n \to B^n$  is a fixed-point-free map. For any  $x \in B^n$ , let  $L_x$  be the straight line through x and f(x), oriented from x towards f(x). For points  $y, z \in L_x$  we write y < z if y is before z according to the orientation on  $L_x$ . Let g(x) and h(x) be the two points of  $L_x \cap S^{n-1}$ , where  $g(x) \le x < f(x) \le h(x)$ . Prove  $g: B^n \to S^{n-1}$  is well-defined, continuous, and a retraction. (This is a step of the proof of the Brouwer fixed point theorem.)

**Exercise 6.6.** [Hard. Hatcher page 133, problems 20 and 21.] Define CX, the *cone* of X, to be  $X \times I/X \times \{1\}$ . Define SX, the *suspension* of X, to be the space obtained by doubling CX across its base. That is, SX is obtained from  $X \times [-1, 1]$  by crushing  $X \times \{-1\}$  and  $X \times \{1\}$  to points.

- Prove  $SS^n$  is homeomorphic to  $S^{n+1}$ .
- Find chain maps  $s_n: C_n(X) \to C_{n+1}(SX)$  that induce isomorphisms  $s_{n*}: H_n(X) \to H_{n+1}(SX)$ .

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