

## Lecture 9

The mapping  $h: A \cup B \rightarrow Y$  in the gluing lemma is called the union of the maps  $f$  and  $g$ .

Definition: Let  $\{(X_i, \tau_i)\}_{i \in I}$  be ~~a~~ a collection of pairwise disjoint spaces. Give  $\bigcup_{i \in I} X_i$  the topology  $\tau$  with basis

$$\mathcal{B} = \{U \subset \bigcup_{i \in I} X_i \mid U \in \tau_i \text{ for some } i\}.$$

Then with this topology,  $\bigcup_{i \in I} X_i$  is denoted  $\bigoplus_{i \in I} X_i$ ,

and is called the discrete sum, topological sum, or coproduct.

Proposition:  $U \subset \bigoplus_{i \in I} X_i$  is open if and only if

$$U \cap X_i \in \tau_i \text{ for all } i.$$

Proof: Exercise (might be on assignment).

Remark: Note that we can define the topology on  $\bigoplus_{i \in I} X_i$  a second way: consider the inclusion maps

$$f_i: X_i \longrightarrow \bigoplus_{i \in I} X_i = \bigcup_{i \in I} X_i. \text{ The finest topology on}$$

$\bigcup_{i \in I} X_i$  making  $f_i$  continuous for all  $i$  (i.e. the final topology induced by  $\{f_i\}_{i \in I}$ ) is

$$\mathcal{T} = \left\{ U \subset \bigcup_{i \in I} X_i \mid f_i^{-1}(U) \text{ is open in } X_i \text{ for all } i \right\}.$$

But since  $f_i$  is an inclusion map,  $f_i^{-1}(U) = U \cap X_i$  so

$$\mathcal{T} = \left\{ U \subset \bigcup_{i \in I} X_i \mid U \cap X_i \text{ is open in } X_i \text{ for all } i \right\},$$

which is exactly the description of  $\mathcal{T}$  in the last proposition. This description doesn't require disjoint  $X_i$ !

Def: In more generality, if  $\mathcal{A} = \{X_i\}_{i \in I}$  is a collection of non-disjoint sets then

$$\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{A}) = \left\{ U \subset \bigcup_{i \in I} X_i \mid U \cap X_i \text{ is open in } X_i \text{ for every } i \in I \right\}$$

is called the weak topology over  $\bigcup_{i \in I} X_i$  determined by  $\mathcal{A}$ . Note.

We can use these constructions, together with the gluing lemma, to glue together disjoint spaces (not just subsets of the same space).

Def: Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be disjoint spaces, and  $A \subset X$  nonempty.

Let  $f: A \rightarrow Y$  be any map, and write  $B = f(A)$ .

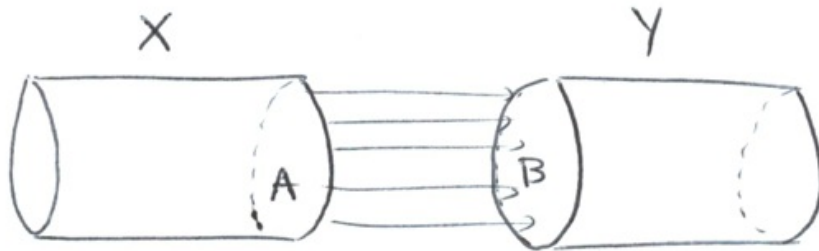
Define an equivalence relation on  $X \cup Y$  by  
 $a \sim b$  if  $f(a) = b$ , and  $x \sim x$  for all  $x \in X \cup Y$ .

So the equivalence classes are

$$\left\{ \{y\} \cup f^{-1}(\{y\}) \right\}_{y \in B}, \text{ and singletons.}$$

Then  $X \oplus Y / \sim$  is called the space obtained by gluing  $X$  and  $Y$  along  $f$ , or gluing  $X$  and  $Y$  along  $A$  and  $B$  via  $f$ . We write  $X \cup_f Y$  in place of  $X \oplus Y / \sim$ .

Picture:

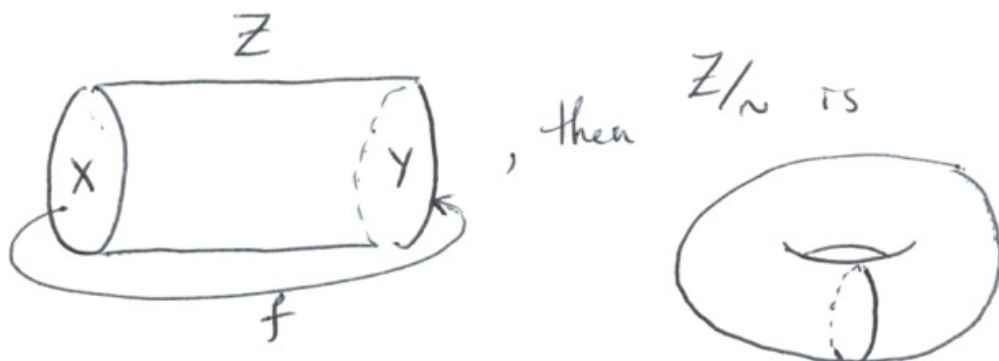


Then  $X \cup_f Y = \text{(cylinder)} \cup \text{(cylinder)}$ , with the topology you expect.

In the special case where  $X, Y \subset Z$  are disjoint subspaces and  $A = X$ , then there is an equivalence relation on  $Z$ , similar to before: Since  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  we define the equivalence classes to be

$\{ \{y\} \cup f^{-1}(y) \}_{y \in f(X)}$ , and singletons.

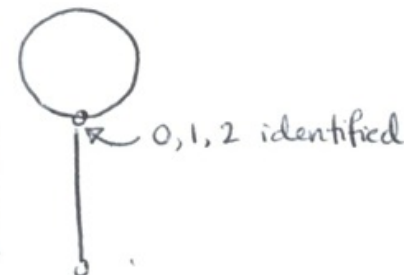
Then  $Z / \sim$  is obtained from  $Z$  by gluing  $A$  and  $B$  via  $f$ .



So  $X \cup_f Y$  comes from pasting disjoint spaces,  $Z_f$  is gluing a space to itself.

Example: Consider  $X = [0, 1]$  and  $Y = [2, 3]$ .

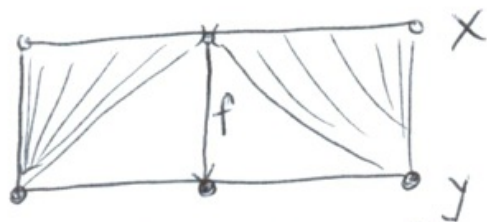
Set  $A = \{0, 1\}$  and  $f: A \rightarrow Y$  bc  $f(0) = f(1) = 2$ .

Then  $X \cup_f Y$  is the space  $X \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{circle} \\ \text{line} \end{array} \right. Y$  

We could also set  $A = X$  and define  $f: A \rightarrow Y$

by  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{if } x < \frac{1}{2} \\ 5/2 & \text{if } x = \frac{1}{2} \\ 3 & \text{if } x > \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$  (Recall:  $f$  need not be continuous in this example).

Then  $X \cup_f Y$  is a horrible space:



In particular, note that the image of  $Y$  in the quotient  $X \oplus Y / \sim$  is bad: Let  $q: X \oplus Y \rightarrow X \oplus Y / \sim$  be the quotient.

If  $U \subset X \oplus Y / \sim$  contains the image  $q(5/2)$ , then  $q^{-1}(U)$  is an open union of equivalence classes. But then  $q^{-1}(U)$  must contain an open nbhd of  $f^{-1}(5/2) = \frac{1}{2}$ ,



hence  $q^{-1}(U)$  must contain the equivalence classes  $(\frac{1}{2}, 1] \cup \{3\}$  and  $[0, \frac{1}{2}) \cup \{2\}$ . In particular, every open neighbourhood of  $q(\frac{5}{2})$  will also contain  $q(2)$  and  $q(3)$ . Thus the image of  $Y$  in  $X \oplus Y / \sim$  is bad.

Lesson learned: Neither of these:

$$X \xrightarrow{\text{inclusion}} X \oplus Y \longrightarrow X \oplus Y / \sim$$

$$Y \xrightarrow{\text{inclusion}} X \oplus Y \longrightarrow X \oplus Y / \sim$$

is an embedding (homeomorphism onto its image).

In the first case, we had  $X$  folded on itself so the map was not injective.

In the second case, the topology on  $Y$  was terrible.

In general, though, the structure of  $Y$  is preserved:

Proposition: Suppose  $X$  and  $Y$  are topological spaces and  $A \subset X$  closed. If  $f: A \rightarrow Y$  is continuous, then

$$Y \xrightarrow{\text{inclusion}} X \oplus Y \longrightarrow X \oplus Y / \sim = X \cup_f Y$$

is an embedding.

Proof: Give the composition above a name, call it

$g: Y \rightarrow X \cup_f Y$ . The formula is  $g(y) = [y]$ .

First,  $g$  is injective: If  $g(y_1) = g(y_2)$  then  $[y_1] = [y_2]$ . The equivalence class of  $y \in Y$  is  $\{y\} \cup f^{-1}(y)$ , so if  $[y_1] = [y_2]$  then  $y_2$  is not in here.  $y_1$  is not in here.

$$\underbrace{\{y\} \cup f^{-1}(y)}_{\text{subset of } X} \quad \{y_1\} \cup f^{-1}(y_1) = \{y_2\} \cup f^{-1}(y_2)$$

so  $y_1 = y_2$ .

Also,  $g$  is continuous, since it is the composition of  $Y \xrightarrow{\text{inc.}} X \oplus Y$  (by definition of the topology on  $X \oplus Y$ ,) thus is continuous

and  $X \oplus Y \rightarrow X \oplus Y / \sim$ , also continuous by definition of the topology on  $(X \oplus Y) / \sim$ .

We show  $g$  is an embedding by checking it is a closed map.  $g: Y \rightarrow g(Y)$ .

Suppose  $B \subset Y$  is closed. Then

$$g(B) = \{[y] \in X \cup_f Y \mid y \in B\} = \{\{y\} \cup f^{-1}(y) \mid y \in B\}.$$

It follows that  $g(B)$  is closed if and only if

$\bigcup_{y \in B} (\{y\} \cup f^{-1}(y))$  is closed in  $X \oplus Y$ . But observe that

$$\bigcup_{y \in B} \{y\} \cup f^{-1}(y) = \bigcup_{y \in B} \{y\} \cup \bigcup_{y \in B} f^{-1}(y) = B \cup f^{-1}(B),$$

and  $f^{-1}(B)$  is closed in  $A$  since  $f$  is continuous.

Thus there is a closed  $C \subset X$  such that  
 $f^{-1}(B) = C \cap A$ . Therefore

$B \cup f^{-1}(B) = B \cup (C \cap A)$ , and considered as a subset  
of  $X \oplus Y$  this is closed since:

$(B \cup (C \cap A)) \cap Y = B$  is closed, and

$(B \cup (C \cap A)) \cap X = C \cap A$  is closed since  $A$  is closed.

Thus  $g(B)$  is closed in  $X \cup_f Y$ .

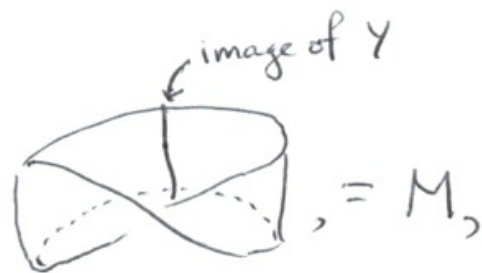
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## Lecture 10

The moral of the last proposition is:

If we want to consider spaces  $X \cup_f Y$  with reasonably nice topologies, we restrict to  $A \subset X$  closed and  $f: A \rightarrow Y$  continuous.

Example: Let  $Z = [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ . Set  $X = \{0\} \times [0, 1]$ ,  $Y = \{1\} \times [0, 1]$ , and define  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  by  $f(0, t) = (1, 1-t)$ . Schematically,



Then  $Z_f$  is a Möbius band

and the image of  $Y$  in  $Z_f$  appears as an interval which cuts  $M$  into a single untwisted strip.

Example. Let  $X = S^2 \setminus \text{disk}$ ,  $A = \partial X$ . Specifically

$$X = \{(x, y, z) \mid x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1, z \leq \sqrt{3}/2\} \text{ and}$$

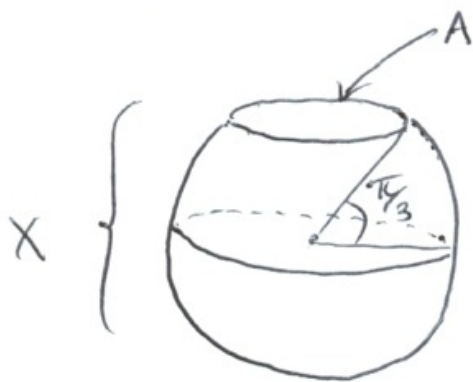
$$A = X \cap \{(x, y, z) \mid z = \sqrt{3}/2\}.$$

Let  $Y = Z_f = [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \sim$  from the previous example.

In spherical coordinates,  $A = \{(r, \theta, \phi) \mid r=1, \phi = \pi/3, \theta \in [0, 2\pi]\}$ .

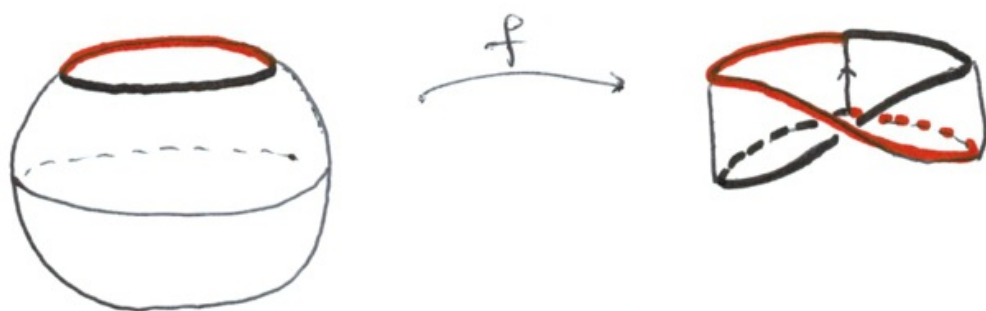


Picture:



Define  $f: A \rightarrow Y$  by  $f(r, \theta, \phi) = \begin{cases} [(\frac{\theta}{\pi}, 0)] & \text{if } 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi \\ [(\frac{\theta-\pi}{\pi}, 1)] & \text{if } \pi \leq \theta \leq 2\pi \end{cases}$

In pictures,



The resulting space is a sphere with an attached Möbius band, sewn along a circle  $S^1$ .

Fact:  $X \cup_f Y$  is homeomorphic to the real projective plane. The sewing of  $Y$  is sometimes called a "cross cap".

Some of the types of spaces we construct in this way are (§4.4). Manifolds and CW-complexes.

Definition: A space  $X$  is a manifold (an  $n$ -manifold)

if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (i)  $X$  is Hausdorff.
- (ii)  $X$  is second countable.
- (iii) For every  $x \in X$  there's an open nbhd  $U$  of  $x$  such that  $U$  is homeomorphic to  $B^n = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \sum x_i^2 < 1\}$ .

Here,  $n$  is the dimension of the manifold  $X$ .

Note that the dimension is well-defined if and only if  $\mathbb{R}^n \cong \mathbb{R}^m \Rightarrow n=m$ .

This follows from

Theorem (Invariance of Domain, Brouwer 1912).

If  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is open and  $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is an embedding, then  $f(U)$  is open in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

(Proof is well beyond this course, uses algebraic topology).

Corollary:  $\mathbb{R}^n \cong \mathbb{R}^m$  iff  $n=m$ .

Proof: Let  $g: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  be a homeomorphism and suppose WLOG that  $n < m$ .

Let  $\emptyset \neq U \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  be an open set, then  $g^{-1}(U)$  is open, nonempty.

Fix numbers  $a_{n+1}, a_{n+2}, \dots, a_m \in \mathbb{R}$  and define

$c: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  by  $c(x_1, \dots, x_n) = (x_1, \dots, x_n, a_{n+1}, \dots, a_m)$ .

Then  $\text{cog}^{-1}: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is an embedding, and the invariance of domain theorem implies that  $\text{cog}^{-1}(U)$  is open. However this is not possible, the image of  $c: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is  $\mathbb{R}^n \times \{a_{n+1}\} \times \dots \times \{a_m\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$ , which has empty interior. Contradiction.

E.g. If  $m=2$  and  $n=1$  then the image of  $c$  would be  $\mathbb{R} \times \{a_2\}$ , a horizontal line



Remarks: Some texts allow manifolds to be non-Hausdorff. This does not immediately follow from the most crucial property, which is (iii).

E.g. Consider  $\mathbb{R} \times \{0\} \oplus \mathbb{R} \times \{1\} \underset{\sim}{=} X$

where  $(x, 0) \sim (y, 1)$  whenever  $x = y$  and  $x < 0$ .

So we have

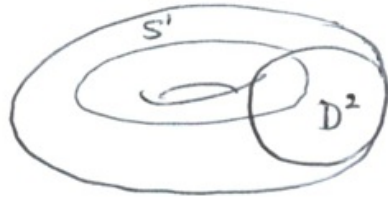


a "double zero". The two zeros  $(0, 0)$  and  $(0, 1)$  are not Hausdorff separated, but every point in  $X$  has a neighbourhood homeomorphic to  $(-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$ .

Example: The real projective plane is a 2-manifold, so is the torus



Example: Consider the solid torus  $D^2 \times S^1$



Take two disjoint solid tori  $X = D^2 \times S^1 \times \{0\}$  and  $Y = D^2 \times S^1 \times \{1\}$ . Let  $A \subset X$  be the surface of  $X$ , specifically  $A = \partial D^2 \times S^1 \times \{0\}$ . Note that  $\partial D^2 \cong S^1$ , so we can define a map  $f: A \rightarrow Y$  by  $f(x, y, 0) = (y, x, 1)$ . This glues the two surfaces of  $X$  and  $Y$  by "switching coordinates".

Picture:



The resulting space cannot be drawn in 3d. It is the 3-sphere (homeomorphic to it, at least)

$$S^3 = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) \in \mathbb{R}^4 \mid x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 + x_4^2 = 1\}.$$



Definition: A CW-complex is constructed by gluing cells. An  $n$ -cell is

$$D^n = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2 \leq 1\}$$

ie. a 0-cell is a point, a 1-cell is  $[-1, 1]$ , a 2-cell is the unit disk, etc.

A CW-complex  $X$  is constructed as follows:

Begin with a discrete space, the 0-skeleton of  $X$ , written  $X^0$ .

Attach 1-cells to  $X^0$  via maps

$f: \partial[-1, 1] = \{-1, 1\} \rightarrow X^0$ . Such maps are always continuous since  $\{-1, 1\}$  is a discrete space. The resulting space is the 1-skeleton  $X^1$ .

E.g.



Assuming we have constructed the  $n$ -skeleton  $X^n$ , the  $(n+1)$ -skeleton is obtained by attaching  $(n+1)$ -cells  $D^{n+1}$  via continuous  $f: \partial(D^{n+1}) = S^n \rightarrow X^n$ .

If this procedure terminates, the dimension of  $X$  is the dimension of the highest dimensional cell.

Equivalently:

Def: A CW complex is a space  $X$  and a collection of disjoint open cells  $\{e_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$  whose union is  $X$ , satisfying

(1)  $X$  is Hausdorff

(2) For each  $e_\alpha$  an  $m$ -cell, there exists a continuous map  $f_\alpha: D^m \rightarrow X$  mapping  $D^m$  homeomorphically onto  $e_\alpha$  and carrying  $\partial D^m$  into a finite union of open cells of dimension less than  $m$ .

(3) A set  $F \subset X$  is closed in  $X$  if  $F \cap \bar{e}_\alpha$  is closed in  $\bar{e}_\alpha$  for each  $\alpha \in A$ .