

Math 215B Homework 4—extended version

Due Monday February 11th, 2013 by 5 pm

Please remember to write down your name and Stanford ID number (9 digits). All pages and sections refer to pages and sections in Hatcher's *Algebraic Topology*.

- (9 points) *Simplicial homology of the Klein bottle* Solve §2.1 (page 132), problem 5.
- (9 points) *Simplicial homology of another Δ -complex* Solve §2.1 (page 132), problem 6.
- (8 points) *Retracts*. Solve §2.1 (page 132), problem 11.
- (8 points) *Exact sequences*. Solve §2.1 (page 132), problem 14.
- (8 points) *Exact sequences II*. Solve §2.1 (page 132), problem 15.
- (8 points) *Relative homology, definitions*. Solve §2.1 (page 132), problem 16.
- (10 points) *Van Kampen's theorem and H_1* .
 - Let X be path-connected with basepoint, and suppose $X = A \cup B$, such that $x_0 \in A, B$ and $A \cap B$ is path-connected. What does Van Kampen's theorem for the cover imply about $H_1(X)$?
 - Use this to recompute the singular homology of the Klein bottle in 1, and verify it agrees with the simplicial computation.
- (6 points) *Computing relative homology*. Solve §2.1 (page 132), problem 17a (just the case $X = S^2$)
- (7 points) *The homology of suspensions*. The **cone** of a topological space X is defined as

$$(0.1) \quad CX := X \times [0, 1] / X \times \{0\},$$

where we recall the quotient space Y/A for A a subspace is defined as $Y/A = Y \coprod \{p\} / \sim$, with $p \sim a$ for all $a \in A$. Similarly, the **suspension** SX is defined as

$$(0.2) \quad SX := X \times [0, 1] / (X \times \{0\} \coprod X \times \{1\}).$$

Using what we have learned so far, prove an important relationship between the reduced homology of a space and its suspension, namely that $\tilde{H}_n(X) \cong \tilde{H}_{n+1}(SX)$ for all n . More generally, solve §2.1 (page 132), problem 20.

- (7 points) *Towards the homology of CW complexes*. Solve §2.1 (page 132), problem 22. This problem begins what will eventually be a more detailed understanding about the homology groups of CW complexes.