

Please turn in the solutions on Monday, October 13, in class. Each problem here is worth 2 points.

Question 1 (Qual Exam from August 2010). The unreduced cone, cX , on a space X is given by

$$cX = X \times I / X \times 1,$$

where $I = [0, 1]$ is the unit interval. Show that cS^1 is homeomorphic to D^2 , where S^1 is the unit circle $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x^2 + y^2 = 1\}$ and D^2 is the unit disk $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$.

Question 2 (Qual Exam from August 2010). Let (X, x_0) be a space with basepoint x_0 . The reduced cone, $CX = C(X, x_0)$, is given by

$$CX = X \times I / (X \times 1 \cup x_0 \times I).$$

Let x_0 be any point on S^1 . Show that CS^1 is homeomorphic to D^2 .

Question 3 (Qual Exam from January 2010). Let \sim denote the equivalence relation on the cylinder $S^1 \times [-1, 1]$ defined by $(v, -1) \sim (v', -1)$ for all $v, v' \in S^1$, and $(v, 1) \sim (v', 1)$ for all $v, v' \in S^1$. Prove that the quotient space $S^1 \times [-1, 1] / \sim$ is homeomorphic to the unit sphere $S^2 = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1\}$.

Question 4 (Qual Exam from August 2010). Let $X = [0, 1] / (0, 1)$ and let

$$\pi: [0, 1] \longrightarrow X$$

be the quotient map.

(a) Is X Hausdorff?

Consider the complement of $\pi(0)$ in X , with the subspace topology.

(b) Is this complement of $\pi(0)$ Hausdorff?

Consider the complement of $\pi(1/2)$ in X , with the subspace topology.

(c) Is this complement of $\pi(1/2)$ Hausdorff?

Question 5 (Qual Exam from January 2008). Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a continuous function, and let $G \subset X \times Y$ be its graph, that is, the subset $G = \{(x, y) \mid y = f(x)\}$. If Y is Hausdorff, prove that G is closed in $X \times Y$.