

## Sheet 8

**Exercise 1.** Show that  $T^2 \# \mathbb{R}P^2 = 3 \# \mathbb{R}P^2$ .

**Exercise 2.** Solve exercise 16 from Chapter 1.2. Show that there is no way to add a boundary to the surface of the exercise so that it admits a triangulation with finitely many triangles (assume that adding a boundary does not change  $\pi_1$ ).

**Exercise 3.**

1. Determine for which values of  $g, g', n$  and  $n'$  the surfaces  $g \# T^2$  with  $n$  punctures and  $g' \# T^2$  with  $n'$  punctures are homotopy equivalent.
2. Determine for which values of  $g, g', n$  and  $n'$  the surfaces  $g \# \mathbb{R}P^2$  with  $n$  punctures and  $g' \# \mathbb{R}P^2$  with  $n'$  punctures are homotopy equivalent.
3. Determine for which values of  $g, g', n$  and  $n'$  the surfaces  $g \# T^2$  with  $n$  punctures and  $g' \# \mathbb{R}P^2$  with  $n'$  punctures are homotopy equivalent.

**Exercise 4.** Given a Hausdorff topological space  $X$ , and a collection of compact subsets  $\{K_i : i \in \mathbb{N}\}$  such that

- $K_i \subset K_{i+1}^\circ$ , where  $K^\circ$  denotes the interior of  $K$  and
- $\{K_i^\circ : i \in \mathbb{N}\}$  forms an open cover of  $X$ ,

we say that an *end* of  $X$  is a collection  $\{U_i : i \in \mathbb{N}\}$  of open sets such that  $U_i$  is a connected component of  $X \setminus K_i$  and  $U_{i+1} \subset U_i$ .

Show that the number of ends of  $X$  does not depend on the particular collections  $\{K_i : i \in \mathbb{N}\}$  satisfying the conditions above.

**Exercise 5.**

1. Determine for which values of  $g, g', n$  and  $n'$  the interior of the surfaces  $g \# T^2$  with  $n$  punctures and  $g' \# T^2$  with  $n'$  punctures are homeomorphic.
2. Determine for which values of  $g, g', n$  and  $n'$  the interior of the surfaces  $g \# \mathbb{R}P^2$  with  $n$  punctures and  $g' \# \mathbb{R}P^2$  with  $n'$  punctures are homeomorphic.
3. Determine for which values of  $g, g', n$  and  $n'$  the interior of the surfaces  $g \# T^2$  with  $n$  punctures and  $g' \# \mathbb{R}P^2$  with  $n'$  punctures are homeomorphic.