

Mathematics 314, Final Examination, June 4, 2005

Problem 1. 20 pts.

Describe how the fundamental group  $\pi(X, x_0)$  is defined.

Problem 2. 20 pts.

Let  $M$  and  $N$  be connected  $n$ -dimensional manifolds without boundary and let  $M\#N$  denote their connected sum.

Suppose that  $n \geq 3$  and that  $\pi(M)$  and  $\pi(N)$  are known.

What is  $\pi(M\#N)$ ? Why? Why this would not work when  $n = 2$ ?

Problem 3. 15 pts.

Remind the definition of a topological polyhedron.

Do not quote the definitions of a simplex or of a linearly independent set of points in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Problem 4. 15 pts.

Show that the torus  $T = S^1 \times S^1$  is homeomorphic to a subset of the 3-dimensional sphere  $S^3$ .

Then prove that  $T$  is not a deformation retract of  $S^3$ .

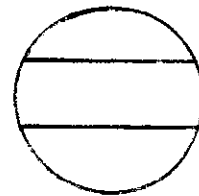
Problem 5. 15 pts.

Let  $(\tilde{X}, p)$  be a covering space of  $X$  and  $(\tilde{Y}, q)$  be a covering space of  $Y$ .

Show that  $\tilde{X} \times \tilde{Y}$  is a covering space for  $X \times Y$ .

Problem 6. 15 pts.

Find the fundamental group of the following space/figure



Time: 120 minutes.

*Good Luck!*