

Thm: Any cpt surface is either homeomorphic to a sphere, a connected sum of tori, or a connected sum of projective planes.

Examples: we know

Torus : $aba^{-1}b^{-1}$

\mathbb{RP}^2 : aa

sphere : aa^{-1}

$\#_n T^2$: $a_1 b_1 a_1^{-1} b_1^{-1} a_2 b_2 a_2^{-1} b_2^{-1} \dots a_n b_n a_n^{-1} b_n^{-1}$

$\#_n \mathbb{RP}^2$: $a_1 a_1 a_2 a_2 a_3 a_3 \dots a_n a_n$

so this theorem claim that for any cpt surface, we can always show that it's one of the above.

the expression of the surface,
or the "word" of the surface

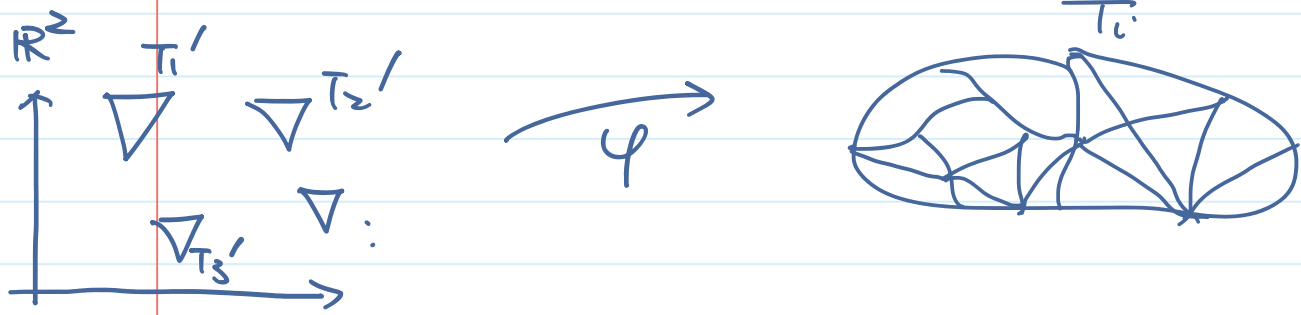
Step 1° Show that the surface is obtained from D (disc) by identifying certain paired edges on the boundary ∂D .

Striangulate S into $\bigsqcup_{i=1}^n T_i$ s.t. the triangle T_i has an edge e_i in common with at least one of the triangle T_j for some $1 \leq j < i$.

This is possible, because we can number T_i in the following way: call any Δ , T_1 , to choose T_2 , choose any Δ that has a common edge with T_1 , and call the common edge e_2 . To choose T_3 , choose any triangle that has an edge in common with T_1 or T_2 , and call this common edge e_3 . Continue this process, we are done.

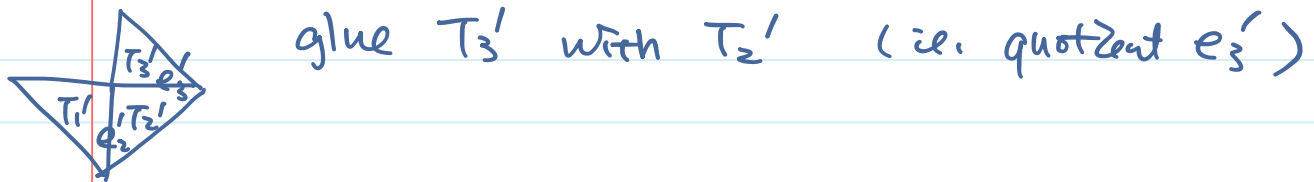
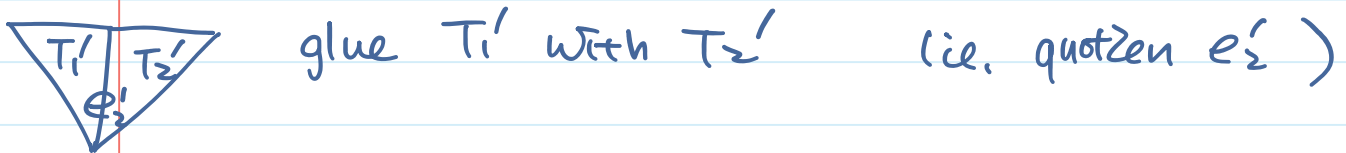
If at some point we can't continue, then it means we have at least two sets of triangles $I_1 = \{T_1, \dots, T_k\}$, and $I_2 = \{T_{k+1}, \dots, T_n\}$ s.t. any $T_i \in I_1$ has no edge or vertex in common with any $T_j \in I_2 \Rightarrow S$ is a union of two nonempty disjoint closed set $\rightarrow S$ is not connected!

Then S can be obtained from D (disc) by identifying certain paired edges on ∂D by the following reason:



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排 \downarrow (gluing
or quotient)

polygon is obtained as a quotient space of T'



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ie. glue 在一起

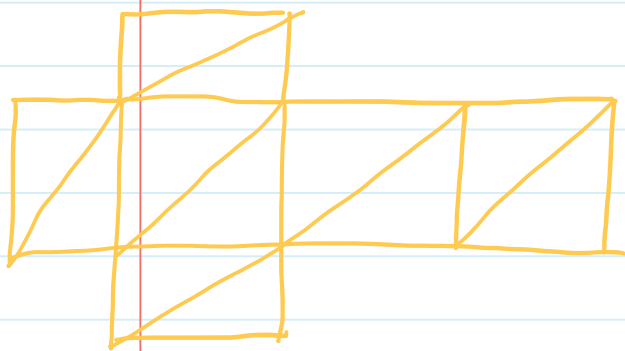
let D denote the resulting quotient space of T'

Then $\varphi: T' \longrightarrow S$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & \nearrow \varphi \\ T' & \downarrow \sim & \\ T'/\sim & = & D \end{array}$$

induces a map φ onto S
and S has the quotient
topology induced by φ

The reason that $D := T'/\sim$ is topologically a disc
is the following:



T_1' & T_2' are both top.
equiv. to disc, so the
quotient space of $T_1' \cup T_2' / \varphi^+(e_2)$

called it D_2 , is again a
top. disc.

Now we form the next quotient space D_3 by $T_3' \sqcup D_2 / \varphi^+(e_3)$
so this again is a top. disc.

Continue this process, we get $D = D_n = T_n' \sqcup D_{n-1} / \varphi^+(e_n)$
is a top. disc.

clearly S is obtained from D by identifying certain
paired edges on ∂D , b/c S is cpt, i.e. without bdy,
i.e. each edge is an interior edge, so they must appear
as pair with opposite orientation.

Step 2°: Eliminate adjacent edge of first kind
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first kind: $a a^{-1}$ or $a^{-1} a$

second kind: aa or $a^{-1}a^{-1}$

If there are at least 4 edges in total (in the expression)

we can eliminate the first kind:



so we can eliminate all the adjacent first kind, unless

① it's a first kind with only 2 edges: $a a^{-1}$, then we can't continue, and this is exactly S^2 . ② or

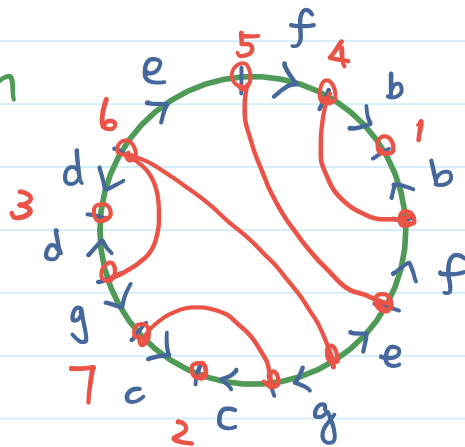
it's $aa^{-1}bb$, and by eliminating aa^{-1} , we end up with one second type bb , and this is exactly \mathbb{RP}^2 .

So now we are left with second kind of more than one pair, or mixed with first kind but not adjacent.

Step 3: transforming to a polygon sit. all vertices must be identified to a single vertex:

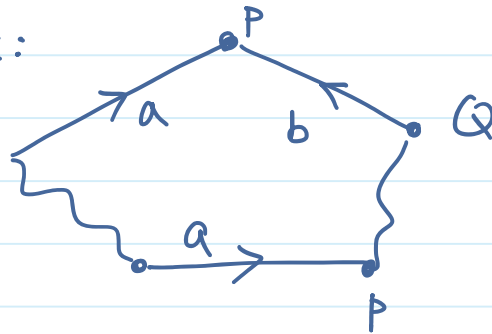
Introducing the idea of "equivalent vertices"

Recall the expression
we saw earlier:



total
7 equivalent
classes

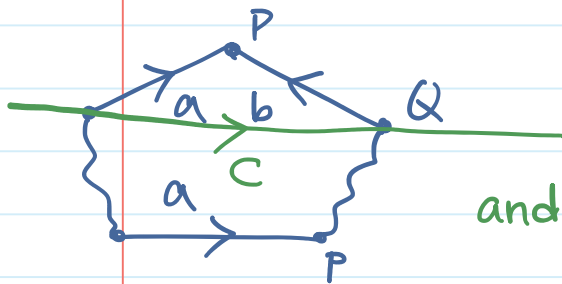
so now suppose there are at least two different classes
then at least we have an adjacent pair of vertices which
are not equivalent:



by step 2 we have
eliminated $a \neq b$
 $\therefore b \neq a$,

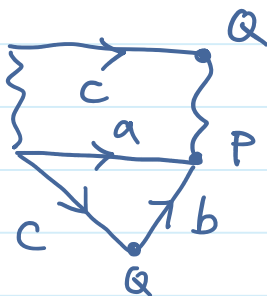
this is also not $a \neq b$
b/c we said we have
two different classes
of vertex so $p \neq Q$
and if this is $a \neq b$
then $Q \neq P$!

now cut thru



and glue along a and if this is $a \neq b$
then $Q \neq P$!

\Rightarrow



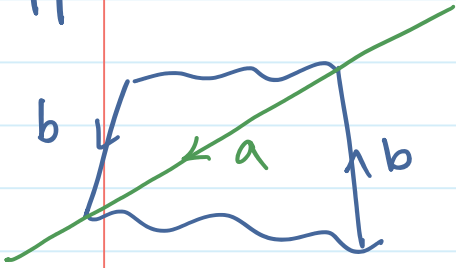
$\therefore \#\{p\} = 1$, while $\#\{Q\} = 1$

(i.e. number of vertex of equiv. class p)

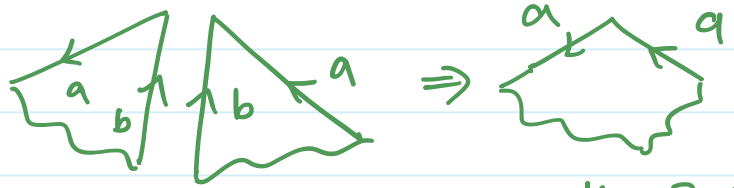
continue this process, (along the way, we may need to perform
step 2 again b/c edges move in step 3), eventually $\{p\}$ becomes
an empty set, and continue this we get only one eq. class of vertex.

Step 4: make any pair of edges of the second kind adjacent.

Suppose not:



b not adjacent, then cut along a and glue b, we get



continue this, until all pairs of edges of the 2nd kind are adjacent.

now adj. 2nd kind.

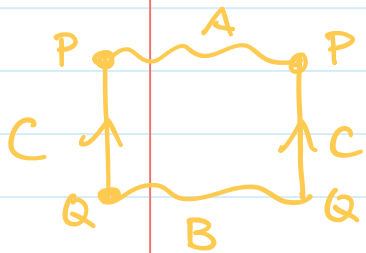
$$\cong \#_n \mathbb{R}P^n$$

If there is no first kind in the expression, then we are done, and the surface is $a_1 a_1 a_2 a_2 \dots a_n a_n$

If there is first kind existing somewhere, say c, then \exists at least one other pair of edges of first kind s.t. these two pairs separate one another,

$$e. \dots c - \dots d - \dots c^{-1} - \dots d^{-1} - \dots$$

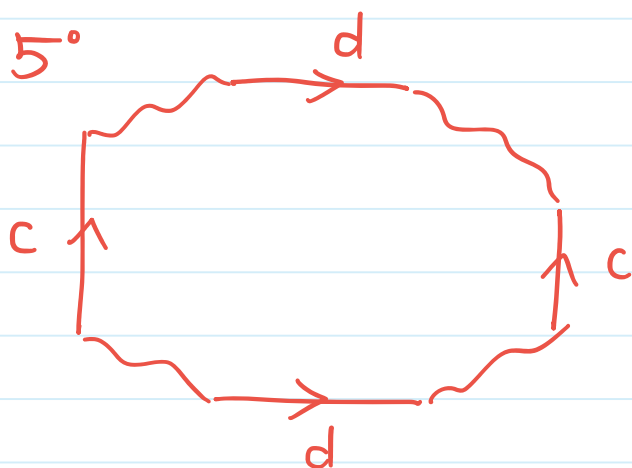
The reason is the following, if not, then



and all edges in A identify within A, all edges in B identify within B, then P and Q have no chance to be equivalent, but this contradict to step 3 that we have only one equiv. vertex.

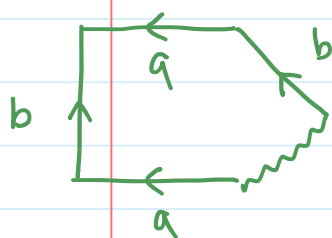
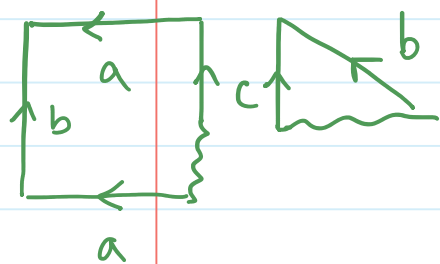
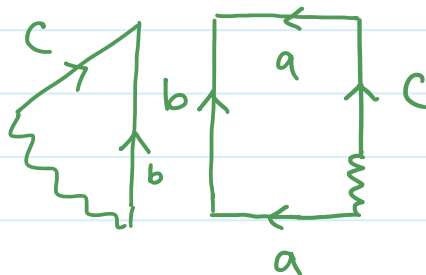
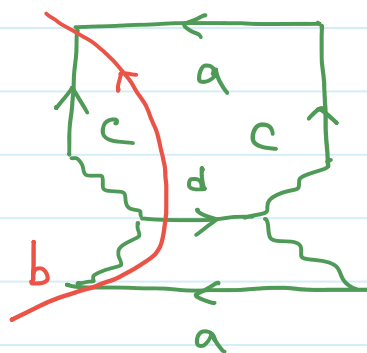
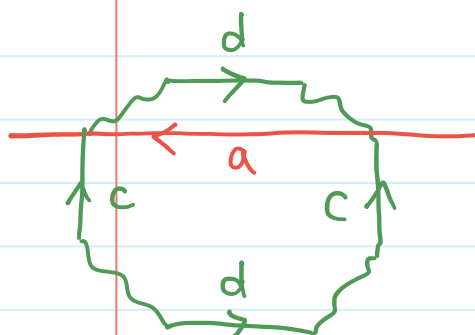
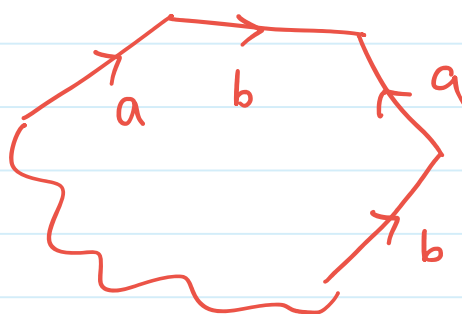
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Step 5°



can be transformed

into



done.

\Rightarrow all pairs of the first kind are in adjacent gps of four as $aba^{-1}b^{-1}$.

If there are no pairs of the second kind, then we are done and the result is $\#_n T^2$.

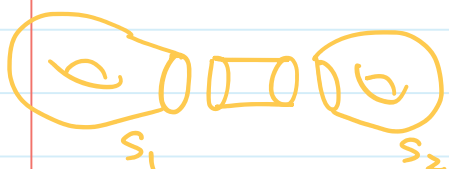
If there are pairs of the first kind and second kind, then by lemma that $T^2 \# \mathbb{R}P^2 \cong \#_3 \mathbb{R}P^2$, we

can obtain that the result is $\#_m \mathbb{R}P^2$. QED

Thm: S_1, S_2 are cpt, connected surfaces. Then S_1 is top. equiv. to S_2 iff $\chi(S_1) = \chi(S_2)$ and either both are orientable or nonorientable.

Exercise: $\chi(S_1 \# S_2) = \chi(S_1) + \chi(S_2) - 2$

$$\chi(S^2) = 2, \quad \chi(\#_n T^2) = 2 - 2n, \quad \chi(\#_m \mathbb{R}P^2) = 2 - m$$



for $S_1 \setminus D$: $E=3, F=1, V=3$

or \square $\begin{matrix} p & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & q \\ \beta \nearrow & & \searrow \gamma \\ r & \xrightarrow{\gamma} & q \end{matrix}$ $V=2, F=2, v=4$

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