

### Revision sheet

The following exercises cover some of the topics of the lecture and will be discussed in the exercise sessions on 1 February.

**Exercise 1.** Decide whether the following statements are true or false.

- (1) The suspension homomorphism  $\Sigma: \pi_3(S^2) \rightarrow \pi_4(S^3)$  is injective.
- (2) If  $p: E \rightarrow B$  is a Serre fibration over a path-connected space  $B$ , then all fibres  $p^{-1}(b)$  for  $b \in B$  are weakly homotopy equivalent.
- (3) For all CGWH spaces  $X, Y$  and  $Z$ , there is a natural homeomorphism

$$\text{Map}(X \times Y, Z) \longrightarrow \text{Map}(X, \text{Map}(Y, Z)).$$

- (4) Every basepoint-preserving map  $\mathbb{R}P^\infty \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P^\infty$  is based homotopic to a constant map.
- (5) For any based CW-complex  $Z$ , the functor  $\langle -, Z \rangle$  from the category of based CW-complexes to the category of pointed sets is half-exact.
- (6) Let  $h_*$  and  $k_*$  be reduced homology theories defined on the category of based CW-complexes such that  $h_i(S^0) \cong k_i(S^0)$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then any isomorphism of groups  $h_0(S^0) \rightarrow k_0(S^0)$  extends to an isomorphism of homology theories  $h_* \cong k_*$ .
- (7) Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be CW-complexes. Then there exists a weak equivalence  $SP(X \vee Y) \rightarrow SP(X) \times SP(Y)$ .
- (8) Let  $p$  be a prime number. Then the class of all finitely generated abelian groups  $A$  such that  $a \mapsto p \cdot a: A \rightarrow A$  is invertible forms a Serre class.
- (9) Let  $G$  be a discrete group and  $E$  a free right  $G$ -space. Then the orbit map  $E \rightarrow E/G$  is a principal  $G$ -bundle.
- (10) There are infinitely many pairwise non-isomorphic principal  $\mathbb{Z}$ -bundles over the base space  $S^1$ .

**Exercise 2.** Assume that the following diagram is a pushout diagram in the category of topological spaces.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{f} & C \\ i \downarrow & & \downarrow j \\ B & \xrightarrow{g} & D \end{array}$$

Prove that, if  $i$  is a cofibration, then  $j$  is a cofibration. Is this statement true if we work instead in the category CGWH?

**Exercise 3.** Let  $X$  be a path-connected space and let  $\Sigma X$  denote its reduced suspension. Show that, for  $n \geq 3$ , there are isomorphisms

$$\pi_n(\Sigma X, X) \cong \pi_n(\Sigma X) \times \pi_{n-1}(X).$$

**Exercise 4.** Show that for any two abelian groups  $A, B$  and any  $n \geq 2$  there is a bijection

$$\text{Hom}(A, B) \cong \langle K(A, n), K(B, n) \rangle$$

between the set of group homomorphisms  $A \rightarrow B$  and the set of based homotopy classes of based maps  $K(A, n) \rightarrow K(B, n)$  between the corresponding Eilenberg-MacLane spaces.

**Exercise 5.** Compute  $\pi_*(\mathbb{C}P^n) \otimes \mathbb{Q}$ .

**Exercise 6.** Find maps  $f_i: X_i \rightarrow Y_i$  for  $i = 1, 2$  between simply-connected CW-complexes such that:

(a)  $f_1$  induces a surjection on  $\pi_*$  but not on  $H_*$ ,

(b)  $f_2$  induces a surjection on  $H_*$  but not on  $\pi_*$ .

(*Hint:* Only consider spheres and projective spaces. For (b), use Exercise 5 to deduce that  $\pi_7(\mathbb{C}P^2)$  is finite.)