

113. Note on Deformation Retract

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1. The main object of this note is to study a mapping which has a torus as the image space. The methods of the paper are strongly influenced by Spanier's proofs [5].

2. In this section we prepare some definitions and lemmas known in Spanier's paper on Borsuk's cohomotopy groups [5], [2].

Let \mathfrak{X} denote the space of a sequence of real numbers $y=(y_i)$ ($i=1, 2, \dots$) which are finitely non-zero (i.e. $y_i=0$ except for a finite set of integers i). \mathfrak{X} is metrized by

$$\text{dist}(y, y') = (\sum_i (y_i - y'_i)^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Definition 2.1. The sets below are defined by the corresponding condition on the right:

$$S^n = \{y \in \mathfrak{X} \mid y_i = 0 \text{ for } i > n+1 \text{ and } \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n+1} y_i^2 = 1\},$$

$$E^{n+1} = \{y \in \mathfrak{X} \mid y_i = 0 \text{ for } i > n+1 \text{ and } \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n+1} y_i^2 \leq 1\},$$

$$E_+^n = \{y \in S^n \mid y_{n+1} \geq 0\},$$

$$E_-^n = \{y \in S^n \mid y_{n+1} \leq 0\},$$

$$E_+^0 = p = (1, 0, \dots, 0, \dots),$$

$$E_-^0 = \bar{p} = (-1, 0, \dots, 0, \dots),$$

$$T^{2n} = S^n \times S^n, q = p \times p, \bar{q} = \bar{p} \times \bar{p} \quad (\text{for } n \geq 1).$$

Lemma 2.2. Let A be a deformation retract [4] of a compact space X and let $f: (X, A) \rightarrow (Y, B)$ be a map of (X, A) onto (Y, B) , which maps $X-A$ homeomorphically onto $Y-B$. Then B is a deformation retract of Y .

Lemma 2.3. Let (X, A) be a compact pair with $\dim(X-A) \leq n$. If F is any closed subset of $X \times I - A \times I$, $\dim F \leq n+1$.

Definition 2.4. Let $f: (X, A) \rightarrow (Y \times Y, (y, y))$. A map

$$F: (X \times I, A \times I) \rightarrow (Y \times Y, (y, y))$$

will be called a normalizing homotopy for f , if

$$\left. \begin{aligned} F(x, 0) &= f(x) \\ F(x, 1) &\in (Y \times y) \cup (y \times Y) \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ for all } x \in X.$$

The map $f': (X, A) \rightarrow [(Y \times y) \cup (y \times Y), (y, y)]$ defined by $f'(x) = F(x, 1)$ is called a normalization of f .

In the following $Y \vee Y$ will denote the space $(Y \times y) \cup (y \times Y)$.

Let

$$\Omega: [Y \vee Y, (y, y)] \rightarrow (Y, y)$$

be defined by

$$\begin{aligned} (y', y) &= y' && \text{for } (y', y) \in Y \times y, \\ (y, y'') &= y'' && \text{for } (y, y'') \in y \times Y. \end{aligned}$$

Definition 2.5. Let $\alpha, \beta: (X, A) \rightarrow (Y, B)$ and assume that $\alpha \times \beta: (X, A) \rightarrow (Y \times Y, (y, y))$ can be normalized. Let $f: (X, A) \rightarrow (Y \vee Y, (y, y))$ be a normalization of $\alpha \times \beta$. The sum with respect to f (denoted by $\alpha \langle f \rangle \beta$) is defined to be the composite map $\alpha \langle f \rangle \beta = \Omega f$.

Lemma 2.6. Let (X, A) be a pair with $\dim F < 2n$ any closed $F \subset X - A$. If $f: (X, A) \rightarrow (S^n \times S^n, (p, p))$, there exists a normalization g of f such that $f \simeq g \text{ rel } f^{-1}(S^n \vee S^n)$.

Lemma 2.7. Let (X, A) be a compact pair with $\dim (X - A) < 2n - 1$. If $\alpha, \beta, \alpha', \beta': (X, A) \rightarrow (S^n, p)$ with $\alpha \simeq \alpha'$ and $\beta \simeq \beta'$ and if $g: (X, A) \rightarrow (S^n \vee S^n, (p, p))$ is a normalization of $\alpha \times \beta$ and $g': (X, A) \rightarrow (S^n \vee S^n, (p, p))$ is a normalization of $\alpha' \times \beta'$, then $\Omega g \simeq \Omega g'$.

3. Our theorems are the following:

Theorem 3.1. In the product space $T^{2n} \times T^{2n}$, the subset $(T^{2n} \times q) \cup (q \times T^{2n})$ is a deformation retract of $T^{2n} \times T^{2n} - [(\bar{q}, \bar{q}) \cup T^{2n} \times \bar{p} \times p \cup T^{2n} \times p \times \bar{p} \cup \bar{p} \times p \times T^{2n} \cup p \times \bar{p} \times T^{2n}]$.

Proof. This is analogous to Borsuk's proof [1]. Let $f: (E^n, S^{n-1}) \rightarrow (S^n, p)$ map $E^n - S^{n-1}$ homeomorphically onto $S^n - p$. Let $f^{-1}(\bar{p}) = \bar{x}$ be the center of E^n . Define

$$\begin{aligned} g: & [E^{2n} \times E^{2n} - (\bar{x}, \bar{x}, \bar{x}, \bar{x}) \cup E^{2n} \times (E^n)^i \times S^{n-1} \cup E^{2n} \times S^{n-1} \\ & \times (E^n)^i \cup (E^n)^i \times S^{n-1} \times E^{2n} \cup S^{n-1} \times (E^n)^i \times E^{2n}, \\ & E^{2n} \times T^{2n-2} \cup T^{2n-2} \times E^{2n}] \\ & \rightarrow [T^{2n} \times T^{2n} - (\bar{q}, \bar{q}) \cup T^{2n} \times f((E^n)^i) \times p \cup T^{2n} \times p \times f((E^n)^i) \\ & \cup f((E^n)^i) \times p \times T^{2n} \cup p \times f((E^n)^i) \times T^{2n}, \\ & T^{2n} \times q \cup q \times T^{2n}] \end{aligned}$$

by

$g(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = (f(x_1), f(x_2), f(x_3), f(x_4))$, where $(E^n)^i$ is the interior of a set E^n . Then g is a map onto $T^{2n} \times T^{2n} - (\bar{p}, \bar{p}, \bar{p}, \bar{p}) \cup T^{2n} \times f((E^n)^i) \times p \cup T^{2n} \times p \times f((E^n)^i) \cup f((E^n)^i) \times p \times T^{2n} \cup p \times f((E^n)^i) \times T^{2n}$ which maps $E^{2n} \times E^{2n} - (\bar{x}, \bar{x}, \bar{x}, \bar{x}) \cup E^{2n} \times (E^n)^i \times S^{n-1} \cup E^{2n} \times S^{n-1} \times (E^n)^i \cup (E^n)^i \times S^{n-1} \times E^{2n} \cup S^{n-1} \times (E^n)^i \times E^{2n} - [E^{2n} \times T^{2n-2} \cup T^{2n-2} \times E^{2n}]$ homeomorphically onto

$$\begin{aligned} & T^{2n} \times T^{2n} - (\bar{p}, \bar{p}, \bar{p}, \bar{p}) \cup T^{2n} \times f((E^n)^i) \times p \cup T^{2n} \times p \times f((E^n)^i) \\ & \cup f((E^n)^i) \times p \times T^{2n} \cup p \times f((E^n)^i) \times T^{2n} - [T^{2n} \times q \cup q \times T^{2n}]. \end{aligned}$$

Since $E^{2n} \times E^{2n}$ is a $4n$ -cell with center $(\bar{x}, \bar{x}, \bar{x}, \bar{x})$ and the intersection of $(E^{2n} \times E^{2n})$ and $E^{2n} \times E^{2n} - [E^{2n} \times (E^n)^i \times S^{n-1} \cup E^{2n} \times S^{n-1} \times (E^n)^i \cup (E^n)^i \times S^{n-1} \times E^{2n} \cup S^{n-1} \times (E^n)^i \times E^{2n}]$ is $E^{2n} \times T^{2n-2} \cup T^{2n-2} \times E^{2n}$, it is clear that $E^{2n} \times T^{2n-2} \cup T^{2n-2} \times E^{2n}$ is a deformation retract of $E^{2n} \times E^{2n} - [(\bar{x}, \bar{x}, \bar{x}, \bar{x}) \cup E^{2n} \times (E^n)^i \times S^{n-1} \cup E^{2n} \times S^{n-1} \times (E^n)^i \cup (E^n)^i \times S^{n-1} \times E^{2n} \cup S^{n-1} \times (E^n)^i \times E^{2n}]$. Therefore, by Lemma 2.2, $T^{2n} \times q \cup q \times T^{2n}$ is a deformation retract of $T^{2n} \times T^{2n} - [(\bar{q}, \bar{q}) \cup T^{2n} \times f((E^n)^i) \times p \cup T^{2n} \times p \times f((E^n)^i) \cup f((E^n)^i) \times p \times T^{2n} \cup p \times f((E^n)^i) \times T^{2n}]$. $T^{2n} \times T^{2n} - T^{2n} \times \bar{p}$

$\times p$ may be deformed onto $T^{2n} \times T^{2n} - T^{2n} \times f((E^n)^t) \times p$ and the similar deformations may be used for the another parts of the above set. Therefore, $T^{2n} \times q \cup q \times T^{2n}$ is a deformation retract of $T^{2n} \times T^{2n} - [(\bar{q}, \bar{q}) \cup T^{2n} \times \bar{p} \times p \cup T^{2n} \times p \times \bar{p} \cup \bar{p} \times p \times T^{2n} \cup p \times \bar{p} \times T^{2n}]$.

Theorem 3.2. In the product space $T^{2n} \times T^{2n} \times T^{2n}$, the subset $(T^{2n} \times T^{2n} \times q) \cup (T^{2n} \times q \times T^{2n}) \cup (q \times T^{2n} \times T^{2n})$ is a deformation retract of $T^{2n} \times T^{2n} \times T^{2n} - [(\bar{q}, \bar{q}, \bar{q}) \cup T^{2n} \times T^{2n} \times \bar{p} \times p \cup T^{2n} \times T^{2n} \times p \times \bar{p} \cup T^{2n} \times \bar{p} \times p \times T^{2n} \cup T^{2n} \times p \times \bar{p} \times T^{2n} \cup \bar{p} \times p \times T^{2n} \times T^{2n} \cup p \times \bar{p} \times T^{2n} \times T^{2n}]$.

Since the proof is similar to that of Theorem 3.1, it will be omitted.

Lemma 3.3. Let (E, A) be a pair with $\dim F \leq 4n - 1$ for any closed $F \subset X - A$. Given a continuous map $f: (X, A) \rightarrow (Y, B)$ into a pair (Y, B) and given an open $2n$ -simplex σ , where $T^{2n} \times \sigma \cup \sigma \times T^{2n}$ lies on Y and its closure $T^{2n} \times \bar{\sigma} \cup \bar{\sigma} \times T^{2n}$ does not meet B , there is a map $g: (X, A) \rightarrow (Y, B)$ such that $f \simeq g \text{ rel } f^{-1}(Y - T^{2n} \times \sigma \cup \sigma \times T^{2n})$ and $g(X) \subset Y - T^{2n} \times \sigma \cup \sigma \times T^{2n}$.

Proof. Let $\sigma = \bar{\sigma} - \sigma$ be the point set boundary of σ . Let $M = f^{-1}(T^{2n} \times \bar{\sigma} \cup \bar{\sigma} \times T^{2n})$ and $N = f^{-1}(T^{2n} \times \dot{\sigma} \cup \dot{\sigma} \times T^{2n})$. Then N is a closed subset of M , and $\dim M \leq 4n - 1$. The map $f|N$, which maps N into $T^{2n} \times \sigma \cup \sigma \times T^{2n}$, as an extension $f': M \rightarrow T^{2n} \times \dot{\sigma} \cup \dot{\sigma} \times T^{2n}$, because we consider the first coordinate for $f(N) \cap [\dot{\sigma} \times T^{2n}]$ and the second coordinate for $f(M) \cap [T^{2n} \times \dot{\sigma}]$ and use the methods shown by Dowker [3]. Define

$$g: (X, A) \rightarrow (Y, B)$$

by

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} f'(x) & \text{if } x \in M, \\ f(x) & \text{if } x \in X - M. \end{cases}$$

Then g is continuous and $g(X) \subset Y - T^{2n} \times \sigma \cup \sigma \times T^{2n}$. Moreover, f' and $f|M$ are two maps of (M, N) into $(T^{2n} \times \bar{\sigma} \cup \bar{\sigma} \times T^{2n}, T^{2n} \times \dot{\sigma} \cup \dot{\sigma} \times T^{2n})$ which agree on N and hence are homotopic relative to N . Let

$$F: (M \times I, N \times I) \rightarrow (T^{2n} \times \bar{\sigma} \cup \bar{\sigma} \times T^{2n}, T^{2n} \times \dot{\sigma} \cup \dot{\sigma} \times T^{2n})$$

be a homotopy between f' and $f|M$ relative to N . Define

$$G: (X \times I, A \times I) \rightarrow (Y, B)$$

by

$$G(x, t) = \begin{cases} F(x, t) & \text{if } x \in M, \\ f(x) & \text{if } x \in X - M. \end{cases}$$

Then G is a homotopy $\text{rel } f^{-1}(Y - T^{2n} \times \sigma \cup \sigma \times T^{2n})$ between f and g .

Lemma 3.4. Let (X, A) be a pair with $\dim F \leq 6n - 1$ for any closed $F \subset X - A$. Given a continuous map $f: (X, A) \rightarrow (Y, B)$ into a pair (Y, B) and given an open $2n$ -simplex σ , where $T^{2n} \times T^{2n} \times \sigma \cup T^{2n} \times \sigma \times T^{2n} \cup \sigma \times T^{2n} \times T^{2n}$ lies on Y and its closure $T^{2n} \times T^{2n} \times \bar{\sigma} \cup T^{2n} \times \bar{\sigma} \times T^{2n} \cup \bar{\sigma} \times T^{2n} \times T^{2n}$ does not meet B , there is a map $g: (X, A) \rightarrow$

(Y, B) such that $f \simeq g \text{ rel } f^{-1}(Y - T^{2n} \times T^{2n} \times \sigma \cup T^{2n} \times \sigma \times T^{2n} \cup \sigma \times T^{2n} \times T^{2n})$ and $g(X) \subset Y - T^{2n} \times T^{2n} \times \sigma \cup T^{2n} \times \sigma \times T^{2n} \cup \sigma \times T^{2n} \times T^{2n}$

Since the proof is similar to that of Lemma 3.3, it will be omitted.

Theorem 3.5. Let (X, A) be a pair with $\dim F < 4n$ for any closed $F \subset X - A$. If $f: (X, A) \rightarrow (T^{2n} \times T^{2n}, q \times q)$, there exists a normalization g of f such that $f \simeq g \text{ rel } f^{-1}(T^{2n} \vee T^{2n})$.

Proof. Consider $(T^{2n} \times T^{2n}, (q, q))$ as a simplicial pair subdivided in such a way that (q, q) is a vertex and $(\bar{q}, \bar{q}) \cup T^{2n} \times \bar{p} \times p \cup T^{2n} \times p \times \bar{p} \cup \bar{p} \times p \times T^{2n} \cup p \times \bar{p} \times T^{2n}$ is interior to $T^{2n} \times \sigma \cup \sigma \times T^{2n}$ whose closure $T^{2n} \times \bar{\sigma} \cup \bar{\sigma} \times T^{2n}$ does not meet $T^{2n} \vee T^{2n}$. By Lemma 3.3, there is a map $h: (X, A) \rightarrow (T^{2n} \times T^{2n}, (q, q))$ such that $h(X) \subset T^{2n} \times T^{2n} - T^{2n} \times \sigma \cup \sigma \times T^{2n} \subset T^{2n} \times T^{2n} - [(\bar{q}, \bar{q}) \cup T^{2n} \times \bar{p} \times p \cup T^{2n} \times p \times \bar{p} \cup \bar{p} \times p \times T^{2n} \cup p \times \bar{p} \times T^{2n}]$ and $f \simeq h \text{ rel } f^{-1}(T^{2n} \times T^{2n} - T^{2n} \times \sigma \cup \sigma \times T^{2n})$. By Theorem 3.1, $T^{2n} \vee T^{2n}$ is a deformation retract of $T^{2n} \times T^{2n} - [(\bar{q}, \bar{q}) \cup T^{2n} \times \bar{p} \times p \cup T^{2n} \times p \times \bar{p} \cup \bar{p} \times p \times T^{2n} \cup p \times \bar{p} \times T^{2n}]$, so there is a retracting deformation F' of it onto $T^{2n} \vee T^{2n}$. Then $F'h$ is a normalizing homotopy for h and if g is the resulting normalization of h , $g \simeq h \text{ rel } h^{-1}(T^{2n} \vee T^{2n}) = f^{-1}(T^{2n} \vee T^{2n})$. Therefore, $g \simeq f \text{ rel } f^{-1}(T^{2n} \vee T^{2n})$.

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