

GEOMETRY & TOPOLOGY

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PROGRAM

Part I: Point set topology [1, Ch. 1–6]

- (1) Metric spaces; topological spaces; neighborhoods. Continuity. Connectedness. Separation axioms.
- (2) Product topology. Quotient topology. Topological manifolds.
- (3) Nets, filters, ultrafilters.
- (4) Compactness. Tikhonov's theorem.
- (5) Urysohn's lemma, Tietze's theorem, Stone–Weierstrass theorem (without proofs).

Part II: Elements of algebraic topology [2, Ch. 3, 4, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17]

- (1) Winding number. Homotopy and reparametrization of paths. Dog-on-a-leash. Varying the point. Degree.
- (2) The fundamental theorem of algebra. Fixed points and retractions. Brouwer's fixed point theorem. Antipodes, Borsuk theorem, Borsuk–Ulam theorem.
- (3) Covering spaces. Liftings. G-coverings. Deck transformations.
- (4) The fundamental group and its properties. Homotopy of maps. Homotopy type.
- (5) Fundamental group and coverings. The universal covering. Coverings and subgroups of the fundamental group.
- (6) G-coverings from the universal covering. Patching coverings. The van Kampen theorem.
- (7) Triangulations of surfaces. Fundamental group and classification of compact oriented surfaces.

REFERENCES

- [1] S. WALDMANN, *Topology: An Introduction*, Springer, 2014.
- [2] W. FULTON, *Algebraic Topology: A First Course*, Springer, 2007.