

<b>15-456 Computational Geometry, Spring 2013</b>	
<b>Homework 2 (60 pts)</b>	<b>Due: 26 April 2013</b>

**Guidelines:** Please justify all answers in a succinct (yet complete) manner. In particular, when presenting an algorithm the code if any should be presented at a high level. A full algorithm will contain the input, the output, and any loop invariants.

Question	Points	Score
1	5	
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5	30	
Total:	100	

(5) 1. **Homology Computation** Compute the Betti numbers of a sphere by computing the simplicial homology of a hollow tetrahedron. In addition, give the generators of the nontrivial homology groups.

(5) 2. **Triangulating a Torus** A torus can be obtained from the unit square by identifying opposite sides, as shown in Figure 1. Give a simplicial complex that represents a torus.

(30) 3. **Finding a bases for the cycle space**

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a connected 1D simplicial complex(a graph).

1. Show that the dimension of the cycle space (The kernel of  $\partial_1$ ) is the number of non-tree edges and give a bases for the space. That is let  $T$  be a spanning tree of  $G$  find a bases of the cycle space by considering the edges  $E \setminus E(T)$ .
2. Use Euler’s formula for a planar graph to determine Betti one.

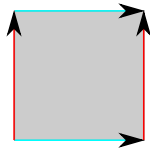


Figure 1: This representation of the torus has one 2-cell, two edges, and one vertex. In this question, you are asked to triangulate this complex.

- (30) 4. **Sauers Lemma is tight** Show that Sauers lemma is tight for each VC dimension. Specifically, provide a finite range space that has the number of ranges as claimed by Lemma 5.9 That is: for any  $\delta > 0$  there exists a finite range space  $(X, R)$  of VC dimension  $\delta$  with  $|X| = n$  such that  $|R| = \mathcal{G}_\delta(n)$ .
- (30) 5. **Another algorithm for k-center clustering** Consider the algorithm that, given a point set  $P$  and a parameter  $k$ , initially picks an arbitrary set  $C \subset P$  of  $k$  points. Next, it computes the closest pair of points  $c, f \in C$  and the point  $s$  realizing  $\|P_C\|_\infty$ . If  $d(s, C) > d(c, f)$ , then the algorithm sets  $C \leftarrow C - c + s$  and repeats this process till the condition no longer holds.
1. Prove that this algorithm outputs a  $k$ -center clustering of radius  $\leq 2opt_\infty(P, k)$ .
  2. What is the running time of this algorithm?