

**Math 1410: HW 11:**

1. Prove that the connected sum of a torus with the projective plane is homeomorphic to the connected sum of 3 projective planes. (Hint: play around with hexagon gluing diagrams.)
2. Let  $\Gamma$  be a finite graph embedded in  $\mathbf{R}^3$  in such a way that all the edges are line segments and all vertices have degree 1 or 3. Let  $N_\epsilon(\Gamma)$  be the set of points  $p \in \mathbf{R}^3$  within  $\epsilon$  of  $\Gamma$ . Prove that the boundary of  $N_\epsilon(\Gamma)$  is a surface provided that  $\epsilon$  is sufficiently small.
3. Prove that any finite connected sum of tori is homeomorphic to the kind of surface defined in problem 2.
4. Let  $\Sigma$  be a connected sum of 2 tori, made from an octagon gluing diagram. Let  $p$  be the center of the octagon. Prove that there is a continuous unit vector field on  $\Sigma - \{p\}$ .
5. Think of the projective plane as an octahedron with its antipodal points identified. This gives a triangulation of the projective plane with 4 triangles, 6 edges, and 3 vertices. Compute the simplicial homology of the projective plane with respect to this triangulation, using both  $\mathbf{Z}$  and  $\mathbf{Z}/2$  coefficients.
6. Triangulate the connected sum of  $n \geq 2$  tori as you like and compute its simplicial homology with  $\mathbf{Z}$  coefficients. Hint: start with  $n = 2, 3$  and see if you can find the pattern.