

## An embedding of $l^2$ -manifold pairs in $l^2$

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### §0. Introduction.

An  $l^2$ -manifold is a separable manifold modelled on the separable Hilbert space  $l^2$ . A closed subset  $K$  of a space  $X$  is a  $Z$ -set in  $X$  if for each non-empty homotopically trivial open set  $U$ ,  $U-K$  is non-empty and homotopically trivial. It is known that, in an  $l^2$ -manifold pair  $(M, N)$ ,  $N$  is a  $Z$ -set in  $M$  if and only if  $N$  is a collared closed subset of  $M$  (collared in the sense of M. Brown). Then  $(M, N)$  may be considered as a manifold-with-boundary,  $N$  being the boundary.

R. D. Anderson raised the problem in [1]: *Under what condition can  $M$  be embedded in  $l^2$  such that  $N$  is the topological boundary under the embedding?* In this paper, we give an answer to this problem:

**THEOREM.** *Let  $(M, N)$  be an  $l^2$ -manifold pair with  $N$  a  $Z$ -set in  $M$ . If one of the following conditions is satisfied, there exists a closed embedding  $h: M \rightarrow l^2$  such that  $bd(h(M)) = h(N)$ .*

Condition I)  $M$  is contractible (then  $M$  is homeomorphic ( $\cong$ ) to  $l^2$ ).

Condition II)  $N = N_0 \cup N_1$  where  $N_0$  and  $N_1$  are disjoint closed and  $N_0$  is a deformation retract of  $M$ .

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### §1. Techniques of infinite-dimensional topology.

Let  $\alpha$  be an open cover of a space  $X$ . Then a map  $f: X \rightarrow X$  is said to be  $\alpha$ -limited provided that for each  $x \in X$  there exists some  $U \in \alpha$  such that  $x, f(x) \in U$ . If  $X$  is a metric space and  $K$  is a closed subset of  $X$ , then there exists an open cover  $\alpha$  of  $X-K$  such that each  $\alpha$ -limited embedding  $f: X-K \rightarrow X-K$  can be extended to an embedding  $f': X \rightarrow X$  such that  $f'|_K = id$  (Lemma 3 of [2]). Such a cover  $\alpha$  of  $X-K$  is said to be normal (with respect to  $K$ ).

In the following theorems,  $M$  and  $N$  are  $l^2$ -manifolds.

OET (OPEN EMBEDDING THEOREM):  $M$  can be embedded as an open subset of  $l^2$  ([7] or Theorem 4 of [8]).

ST (STABILITY THEOREM):  $M \times l^2 \cong M$  ([4] or [12]).

CT (CLASSIFICATION THEOREM): Every homotopy equivalence  $f: M \rightarrow N$  is

homotopic ( $\simeq$ ) to a homeomorphism (Corollary 3 of [7] or Theorem 6 of [8]).

HET (HOMEOMORPHISM EXTENSION THEOREM): For homotopic  $Z$ -embeddings  $f \simeq g: X \rightarrow M$  (i. e.  $f(X), g(X)$  are  $Z$ -sets in  $M$ ), there exists a homeomorphism  $h: M \rightarrow M$  such that  $f = hg$  ([3] or Theorem 1 and 2 of [5]).

TAE (THEOREM OF APPROXIMATION BY EMBEDDINGS): Each continuous map  $f: M \rightarrow N$  can be approximated by closed embeddings  $g: M \rightarrow N$  and open embeddings  $h: M \rightarrow N$  such that  $f \simeq g \simeq h$  (Corollary 6 of [7] and Theorem C of [9]).

TNZ (THEOREM OF NEGLIGIBILITY OF  $Z$ -SETS): Any  $Z$ -set  $K$  in  $M$  is strongly negligible in  $M$  (i. e. for each open cover  $\alpha$  of  $M$ , there exists an  $\alpha$ -limited homeomorphism  $h: M \rightarrow M - K$ ) ([2] or Corollary of [5]).

## § 2. Proof of Theorem.

Our theorem is based on the following Henderson's result in [6] for open subset of Hilbert space:

LEMMA. If  $U$  is an open subset of  $l^2$ , then  $U$  is homeomorphic to an open subset  $V$  of  $l^2$  such that

- (a)  $l^2 - V \cong l^2 - cl(V) \cong l^2$ ,
- (b)  $V \cong cl(V) \cong bd(V)$ , and
- (c) there is an open embedding  $k: bd(V) \times R \rightarrow l^2$  such that  $k(x, 0) = x$  and  $k(bd(V) \times (-\infty, 0)) = V$ , where  $R$  is the real line.

We shall give the proof in the following three cases.

I) The case that  $M$  is contractible.

In this case,  $M \cong l^2$  by the CT. Since  $N$  can be considered as an open subset of  $l^2$  (by the OET), then by the lemma of Henderson, there exists an open subset  $V$  of  $l^2$  such that

- (a)  $l^2 - V \cong l^2 - cl(V) \cong l^2$ ,
- (b)  $V \cong cl(V) \cong bd(V) \cong N$ , and
- (c)  $bd(V)$  is collared in  $l^2 - V$  (then a  $Z$ -set in  $l^2 - V$ ).

Let  $f: M \rightarrow l^2 - V$  be a homeomorphism. Since  $f(N)$  and  $bd(V)$  are homeomorphic  $Z$ -sets in  $f(M) = l^2 - V (\cong l^2)$ , then there exists a homeomorphism  $g: f(M) \rightarrow f(M) = l^2 - V$  such that  $gf(N) = bd(V) = bd(l^2 - V) = bd(gf(M))$ .

II)-i The case that  $N$  is a deformation retract of  $M$ .

This condition is equivalent to the condition which  $N$  is a strong deformation retract of  $M$  because  $M$  is an ANR (see [10]), that is, the inclusion  $N \subset M$  is a homotopy equivalence.

By the OET, we can consider  $M$  as an open subset of  $l^2$ . Then there exist an open subset  $V$  of  $l^2$  and an open embedding  $k: bd(V) \times R \rightarrow l^2$  such that

- (a)  $V \cong cl(V) \cong bd(V) \cong M$ ,

(b)  $k(x, 0) = x$  for each  $x \in bd(V)$ , and

(c)  $k(bd(V) \times (-\infty, 0)) = V$  (hence  $k(bd(V) \times (-\infty, 0]) = cl(V)$ ).

Let  $f: M \rightarrow cl(V)$  be a homeomorphism and let  $k_t: cl(V) \rightarrow cl(V)$  be defined by  $k_t(x) = k(p_1 k^{-1}(x), (1-t) \cdot p_2 k^{-1}(x))$  where  $p_1: bd(V) \times (-\infty, 0] \rightarrow bd(V)$  and  $p_2: bd(V) \times (-\infty, 0] \rightarrow (-\infty, 0]$  are projections. By the TAE, there exists a closed embedding  $g': N \rightarrow bd(V)$  such that  $g' \simeq k_1 f|N$ , then  $g' \simeq k_0 f|N = f|N$  in  $cl(V)$ . Since  $bd(V)$  is a  $Z$ -set in  $cl(V)$  and  $g'(N)$  is closed in  $bd(V)$ , then  $g'(N)$  is a  $Z$ -set in  $cl(V)$ . By the HET, there exists a homeomorphism  $g: cl(V) \rightarrow cl(V)$  such that  $gf|N = g'$ .

Let  $d_t: M \rightarrow M$  be a strong deformation retraction of  $M$  to  $N$ . Since  $k_1: cl(V) \rightarrow bd(V)$  is a retraction and  $gfd_t f^{-1} g^{-1}: cl(V) \rightarrow cl(V)$  is a strong deformation retraction of  $cl(V)$  to  $gf(N) = g'(N) \subset bd(V)$ , then  $k_1 gfd_t f^{-1} g^{-1}|bd(V): bd(V) \rightarrow bd(V)$  is a strong deformation retraction of  $bd(V)$  to  $gf(N)$ , that is, the inclusion  $gf(N) \subset bd(V)$  is a homotopy equivalence. By the CT, there exists a homeomorphism  $h': gf(N) \rightarrow bd(V)$  which is homotopic to the inclusion. Since  $gf(N)$  and  $bd(V)$  are  $Z$ -sets in  $cl(V)$ , then there exists a homeomorphism  $h: cl(V) \rightarrow cl(V)$  which is an extension of  $h'$  (by the HET). Then  $hgf(N) = bd(V)$ . We obtain a desired embedding  $hgf: M \rightarrow l^2$ .

II)-ii. The case that  $N = N_0 \cup N_1$  where  $N_0$  and  $N_1$  are disjoint closed and  $N_0$  is a deformation retract of  $M$ .

Similarly as in the proof of the case II)-i, there exist an open subset  $V$  of  $l^2$  and an open embedding  $k: bd(V) \times R \rightarrow l^2$  such that

- (a)  $l^2 - V \cong l^2 - cl(V) \cong l^2$ ,
- (b)  $V \cong cl(V) \cong bd(V) \cong M$ ,
- (c)  $k(x, 0) = x$  for each  $x \in bd(V)$ , and
- (d)  $k(bd(V) \times (-\infty, 0]) = cl(V)$ .

Let  $W = k(bd(V) \times [-1, 0])$ ,  $W_0 = k(bd(V) \times \{0\}) = bd(V)$  and  $W_1 = k(bd(V) \times \{-1\})$ . Since  $l^2 \times [0, 1] \cong l^2$  by Klee's theorem (Theorem III.1.3 of [11]), then by the ST,  $W \cong bd(V) \times [-1, 0] \cong M \times [0, 1] \cong M \times l^2 \times [0, 1] \cong M \times l^2 \cong M$ . Similarly as II)-i, there exists a homeomorphism  $f: M \rightarrow W$  such that  $f(N_0) = W_0$ . We may assume that  $f(N_1) \subset k(bd(V) \times [-1, -1/2])$ . Let  $r_t: [-1, 0] \rightarrow [-1, 0]$  be defined by

$$r_t(s) = \begin{cases} (1+t) \cdot s & \text{for } -1/2 \leq s \leq 0 \\ (1-t) \cdot (s+1) - 1 & \text{for } -1 \leq s \leq -1/2 \end{cases}$$

and let  $k_t: W \rightarrow W$  be defined by  $k_t(x) = k(p_1 k^{-1}(x), r_t p_2 k^{-1}(x))$  where  $p_1: bd(V) \times [-1, 0] \rightarrow bd(V)$  and  $p_2: bd(V) \times [-1, 0] \rightarrow [-1, 0]$  are projections. By the TAE, there exists a closed embedding  $g'': N_1 \rightarrow W_1$  such that  $g'' \simeq k_1 f|N_1$ , then  $g'' \simeq k_0 f|N_1 = f|N_1$  in  $W$ . Let  $g': N \rightarrow bd(W) = W_0 \cup W_1$  be defined by  $g'|N_0 = f|N_0$  and  $g'|N_1 = g''$ . Since  $g'(N)$  and  $f(N)$  are  $Z$ -sets in  $W$  and since

$g'$  is homotopic to  $f|N$ , then there exists a homeomorphism  $g: W \rightarrow W$  such that  $gf|N = g'$  (by the HET), that is,  $gf(N_0) = W_0$  and  $gf(N_1)$  is a closed subset of  $W_1$ .

Since  $W - gf(N)$  is open in  $W$ , then  $W - gf(N)$  is an  $l^2$ -manifold and  $W_1 - gf(N_1)$  is a  $Z$ -set in  $W - gf(N)$ . Let  $\alpha$  be a normal cover of  $W - gf(N)$  with respect to  $gf(N)$ . By the TNZ, there exists an  $\alpha$ -limited homeomorphism  $h': W - gf(N) \rightarrow (W - gf(N)) - (W_1 - gf(N_1))$ . Since  $\alpha$  is normal, then  $h'$  has the extension  $h: W \rightarrow W - (W_1 - gf(N_1)) = (W - W_1) \cup gf(N_1)$  such that  $h|gf(N) = id$ . Let  $H = (l^2 - V) \cup (W - W_1) \cup k(k^{-1}(gf(N_1)) \times (-\infty, -1])$  (note that  $gf(N_1) \subset W_1 = k(bd(V) \times \{-1\})$ ). It is easy to see that each point of  $H$  has an open neighbourhood homeomorphic to  $l^2$ , that is,  $H$  is an  $l^2$ -manifold. Since  $H$  is homotopically equivalent to  $l^2 - V \cong l^2$ , then  $H \cong l^2$  by the CT. Let  $j: H \rightarrow l^2$  be a homeomorphism. We obtain a desired embedding  $jhgf: M \rightarrow l^2$ .

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