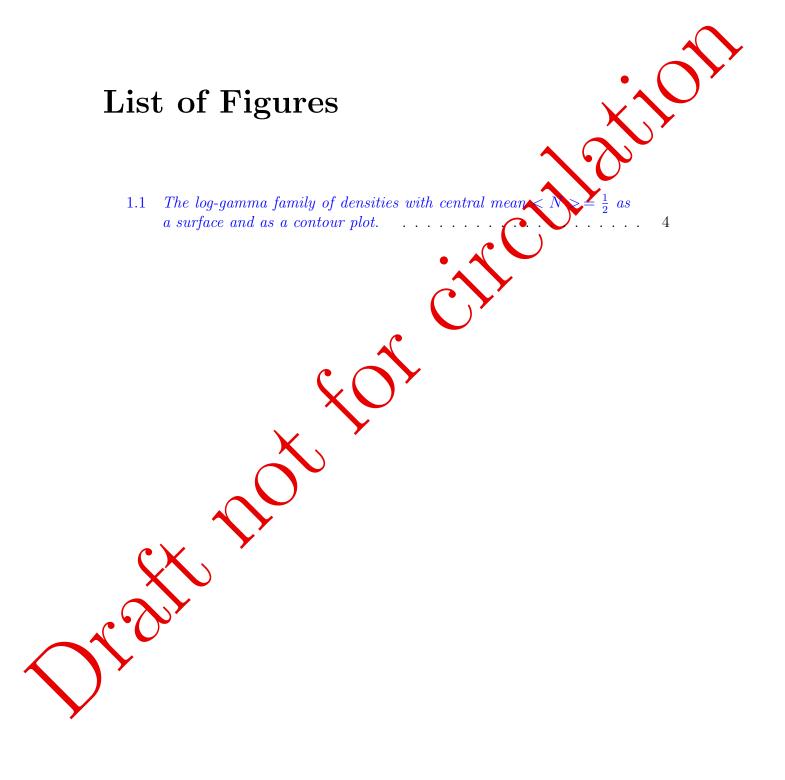
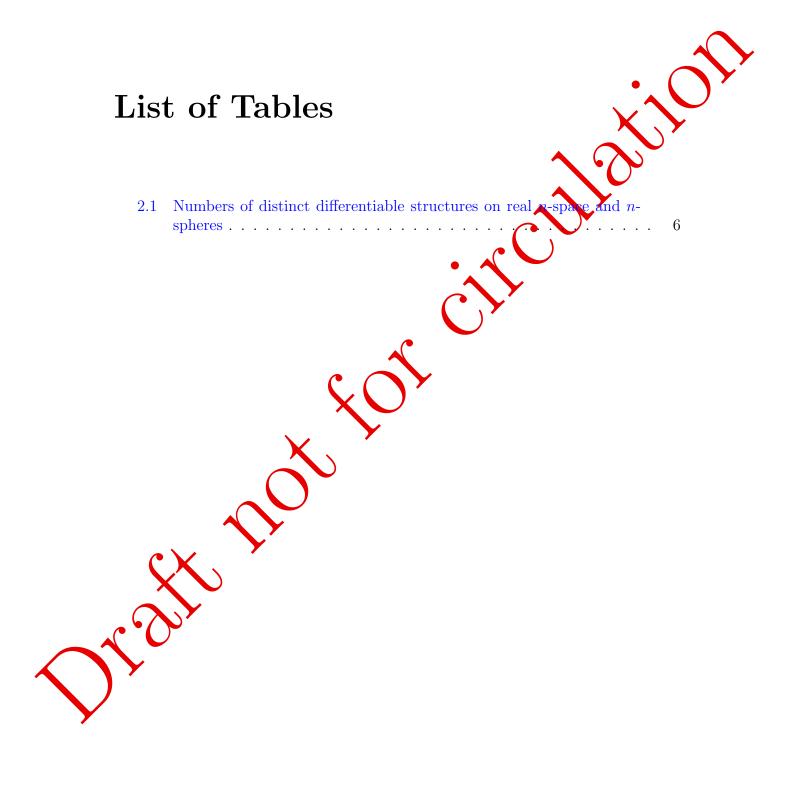
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Preface



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Basics of Extension and Lifting Problems

To boldly go where no map has gone before

Existence problems 1.1

We begin with some metamathematics. All problems about the existence of maps can be cast into one of the following two forms, which are in a sense mutually dual.

The Extension Problem Given an inclusion $A \stackrel{i}{\hookrightarrow} X$, and a map $A \stackrel{f}{\to} Y$, does there exist a map $f^{\dagger}: X \to Y$ such that f^{\dagger} agrees with f on A?

Here the appropriate source category for maps should be clear from the context and, moreover, commutativity through a candidate f^{\dagger} is precisely the restriction requirement; that is,

$$f^{\dagger}: f^{\dagger} \circ i = f^{\dagger}|_{A} = f.$$

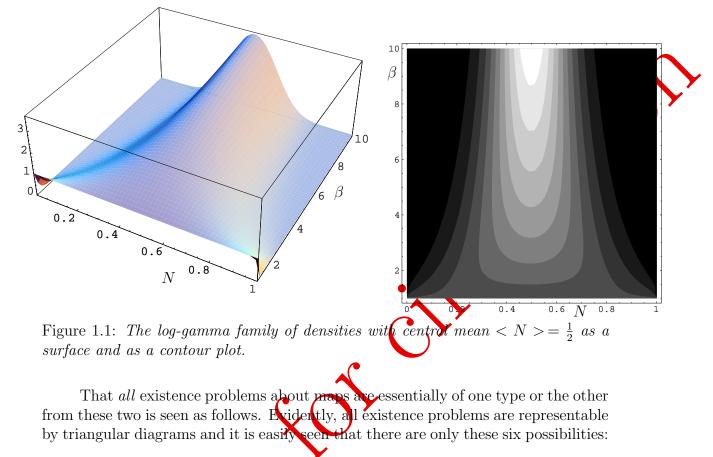
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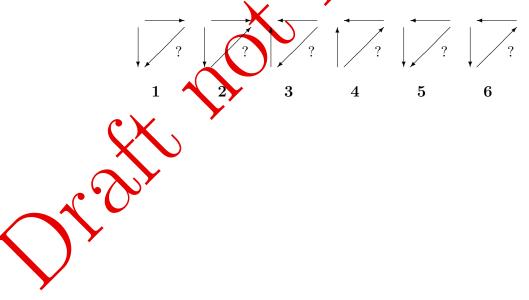
If such an f^{1} exists as specified in (1.1), then it is called an extension of f and is said to extend f. In any diagrams, the presence of a dotted arrow or an arrow arrying a ? indicates a pious hope, in no way begging the question of its existence. Note that we shall usually omit \circ from composite maps.

The Lifting Problem Given a pair of maps $E \xrightarrow{p} B$ and $X \xrightarrow{f} B$, does there exist a map

$$f^{\circ}: X \to E$$
, with $pf^{\circ} = f$? (1.2)

^{1†} suggests striving for perfection, crusading





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Chapter 2

Up to Homotopy is Good Enough

A log with nine holes—old Turkisle rider for a man

2.1 Introducing homotopy

In a topological category, a pair of maps $f g : X \to Y$ which agree on $A \subseteq X$ is said to admit a **homotopy** H from f to g relative to A if there is a map

$$X \times \mathbb{I} \xrightarrow{\mathbf{h}} Y : (x, t) \longmapsto H_t(x) \tag{2.1}$$

with $H_t(a) = H(a,t) = f(a) = g(a)$ for all $a \in A$, $H_0 = H(0,0) = f$, and $H_1 = H(0,1) = g$. Then we write $f \stackrel{H}{\to} g$ (relA).

If $A = \emptyset$ or A is dear from the context (such as A = * for pointed spaces, cf. below), then we write $f \stackrel{H}{\sim} g$, or sometimes just $f \sim g$ and say that f and g are **homotopic**.

e can also think of H in (2.1) as either of:

1-parameter family of maps

$$\{H_t: X \longrightarrow Y \mid t \in [0,1]\}$$
 with $H_0 = f$ and $H_1 = g;$ (2.2)

• a curve c_H from f to g in the function space Y^X of maps from X to Y

$$c_H: [0,1] \longrightarrow Y^X: t \longmapsto H_t.$$
(2.3)

We call f nullhomotopic or inessential if it is homotopic to a constant map. Intuitively, we picture H as a continuous deformation of the graph of f into that of g. The following is an easy exercise.

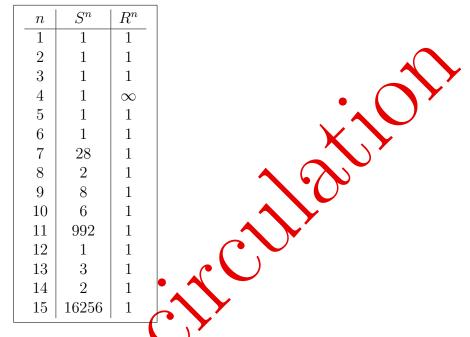
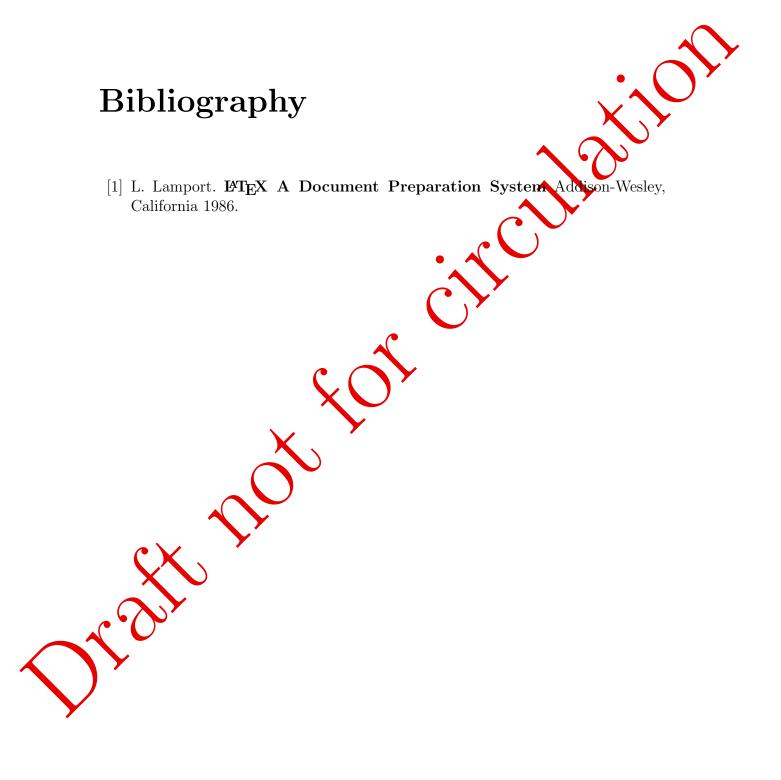


Table 2.1: Numbers of distinct differentiable structures of real *n*-space and *n*-spheres

Proposition 2.1.1 For all $A \subseteq X$, ~ (relA) is an equivalence relation on the set of maps from X to Y which agree on A.

Maps in the same equivalence class of $\sim (relA)$ are said to be **homotopic** (relA).



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