

Certain continua in S^n with homeomorphic complements have the same shape

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Abstract. In this paper we prove that if X_1 and X_2 are globally 1-*alg* continua in S^n ($n \geq 6$) such that X_i has the shape of codimension ≥ 3 , closed, $0 < (2m_i - n + 1)$ -connected, m -dimensional topological manifold, $i = 1, 2$, then $S^n - X_1 \approx S^n - X_2$ if and only if $\text{Sh}(X_1) = \text{Sh}(X_2)$.

1. Introduction. An interesting problem is to classify compacta in a manifold M such that the following statement holds: $\text{Sh}(X) = \text{Sh}(Y)$ if and only if $M - X \approx M - Y$, where X, Y are compacta in M .

This question has been answered affirmatively in some cases:

- (1) Z -sets in the Hilbert cube by Chapman [2].
- (2) Compacta in trivial range in R^n satisfying the small loops condition by Hollingsworth and Rushing [9] (this result generalizes [3] and [7]).
- (3) Codimension 3 continua in R^n satisfying the small loops condition and having the shape of a finite complex in trivial range by Theorem 2.4 of [5] and a remark in [11].
- (4) Globally 1-*alg* continua in S^n having the shape of finite complex K in trivial range with either (i) $\pi_1(K) = 0$ or (ii) $\pi_1(K)$ abelian and $\pi_2(K) = 0$ [11].
- (5) Globally 1-*alg* continua in S^n having the shape of either a topological group in trivial range or a S^k -like continua, for $k \neq n - 2$ by Venema [19]. (This result generalizes [14] and [6].)

In this note, we will give an affirmative answer for the class of globally 1-*alg* continua in S^n ($n \geq 6$) having the shape of a codimension 3, closed, $0 < (2m - n + 1)$ -connected topological manifold M^m .

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2. Notation and definitions. Throughout this note, we use the following notations

- (PL) \approx (PL-) homeomorphic or isomorphic,
- \simeq homotopy equivalence or homotopic,
- \sim homologous,
- $\partial V, \text{Int } V$ boundary, interior of a manifold V ,
- i or $A \subset B$ inclusion map,
- f_* induced maps on homology groups,
- H_* singular homology, \mathbb{Z} -coefficients.

For basic shape theory results, we refer to [1] and [12]. For convenience, in this paper we use both shape theories [1] and [12] as is justified in [13].

A *continuum* is a compact, connected space.

A continuum X in S^n is said to be *globally 1-alg* in S^n if for every neighborhood U of X in S^n , there is a neighborhood V of X ($V \subset U$) such that if $f: S^1 \rightarrow V - X$, $f \sim 0$ in $V - X$, then $f \sim 0$ in $U - X$.

For definitions of the *end* of a manifold, *stable end*, etc. ..., we refer to [15].

For definitions of regular neighborhood, PL-embedding, PL-homeomorphism, etc. ..., we refer to Hudson [8].

A *closed manifold* is a compact manifold without boundary.

An embedding $f: M^m \rightarrow \text{Int } Q^n$ is said to be *locally flat* if for every $x \in f(M)$, there is a neighborhood U of x in Q such that $(U, U \cap f(M)) \approx (R^m, R^m)$.

Let K be a subset of a manifold M , we say that K has a *PL-radial neighborhood* in M if there is a closed PL-manifold neighborhood W of K in M such that $W - K \approx_{\text{PL}} \partial W \times [0, 1)$.

We will use h -cobordism theorem ([17], p. 59) in PL or TOP-version in appropriate situations.

3. Main results and details of the proof.

LEMMA 1. *Let K_i be a continuum in S^n having a radial neighborhood N_i in S^n ($i = 1, 2$). Let $\varphi: S^n - K_1 \rightarrow S^n - K_2$ be a homeomorphism. Then, there is a homotopy equivalence $f: \partial N_1 \rightarrow \partial N_2$ such that for $[\alpha] \in H_q(\partial N_1)$, $\alpha \sim 0$ in $S^n - K_1$ if and only if $f \circ \alpha \sim 0$ in $S^n - K_2$.*

Proof. We may assume that $\varphi(N_1 - K_1) \subset N_2 - K_2$. There exist homeomorphisms

$$\theta_i: \partial N_i \times [0, 1) \rightarrow N_i - K_i, \quad i = 1, 2$$

with

$$(1) \quad \theta_2(\partial N_2 \times [\frac{1}{2}, 1)) \subset \varphi(N_1 - K_1),$$

$$(2) \quad \varphi\theta_1(\partial N_1 \times [\frac{3}{4}, 1)) \subset \theta_2(\partial N_2 \times [\frac{1}{2}, 1)).$$

Let $r_i: N_i - K_i \rightarrow \partial N_i$ be the retraction where $r_i\theta_i(x, t) = x$ and

$$r'_2: \theta_2(\partial N_2 \times [\frac{1}{2}, 1)) \rightarrow \partial N'_2 \quad (\equiv \theta_2(\partial N_2 \times [\frac{1}{2}, 1)))$$

with $r'_2\theta_2(x, t) = \theta_2(x, \frac{1}{2})$, for every $x \in \partial N_2$, $\frac{1}{2} \leq t < 1$.

Let $\Psi: \partial N'_2 \rightarrow \partial N_2$ be the trivial homeomorphism, $\Psi\theta_2(x, \frac{1}{2}) = x$, for every $x \in \partial N_2$, then $r_2 = \Psi r'_2$.

Let $g_i: \partial N_i \rightarrow \theta_i(\partial N_i \times \{\frac{3}{4}\})$, and $g'_2: \partial N'_2 \rightarrow \theta_2(\partial N_2 \times \{\frac{3}{4}\})$ be the obvious map, $g'_2\theta_2(x, \frac{1}{2}) = \theta_2(x, \frac{3}{4})$ for every $x \in \partial N_2$, then $g_2 = g'_2\Psi^{-1}$. Define

$$\begin{aligned} f': \partial N_1 &\rightarrow \partial N'_2 & \text{as } r'_2\varphi g_1, \\ f: \partial N_1 &\rightarrow \partial N_2 & \text{as } r_2\varphi g_1 = \Psi f', \\ \tilde{f}: \partial N'_2 &\rightarrow \partial N_1 & \text{as } r_1\varphi^{-1}g'_2, \\ \tilde{f}': \partial N_2 &\rightarrow \partial N_1 & \text{as } r_1\varphi^{-1}g_2 = \tilde{f}\Psi^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Clearly,

$$(i) \quad g'_2 r'_2 \simeq 1_{\theta_2(\partial N_2 \times [\frac{1}{2}, 1))} \text{ in } \theta_2(\partial N_2 \times [\frac{1}{2}, 1)), \text{ and}$$

$$(ii) \quad g_1 r_1 \simeq 1_{N_1 - K_1} \text{ in } N_1 - K_1.$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{f}f' &= r_1\varphi^{-1}g'_2 r'_2\varphi g_1 \simeq r_1\varphi^{-1}\varphi g_1 \quad (\text{by (i) and (ii)}) \\ &= r_1 g_1 = 1_{\partial N_1}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} f\tilde{f}' &= r_2\varphi g_1 r_1\varphi^{-1}g_2 \simeq r_2\varphi\varphi^{-1}g_2 \quad (\text{by (ii)}) \\ &= r_2 g_2 = 1_{\partial N_2}. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, we have $\tilde{f}f' = \Psi f' \tilde{f} \Psi^{-1}$. Hence,

$$f' \tilde{f} = \Psi^{-1} \tilde{f} f' \Psi \simeq \Psi^{-1} 1_{\partial N_2} \Psi = 1_{\partial N'_2}.$$

Therefore, f' and \tilde{f} are homotopy equivalences. Furthermore, since g_1, g'_2, r'_2, r_1 can obviously be extended to homotopy equivalences $\bar{g}_1, \bar{g}'_2, \bar{r}'_2, \bar{r}_1$ of $S^n - K_1$ and $S^n - K_2$ with

$$(a) \quad \bar{g}_1 \bar{r}_1 \simeq 1, \quad \bar{r}_1 \bar{g}_1 \simeq 1,$$

$$(b) \quad \bar{g}'_2 \bar{r}'_2 \simeq 1, \quad \bar{r}'_2 \bar{g}'_2 \simeq 1,$$

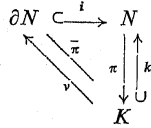
then, so can \tilde{f} and f' .

Thus, the other parts of the conclusion follow. ■

Remark. In particular, Lemma 1 is true if K_1, K_2 are finite subcomplexes of S^n .

OBSERVATION. Let K be a finite subcomplex of $S^n \subset S^{n+1}$. Then, K has a regular neighborhood of the form $N = W \times [-1, 1]$, where W is a regular neighborhood of K in S^n . In this case, let $\pi: N \rightarrow K$ be a deformation retraction induced by the collapse $N \searrow K$, and let $\nu: K \rightarrow \partial N$ defined by $\nu(x) = (x, 1)$, for every $x \in K$.

Consider the following diagram



where $\bar{\pi} = \pi|_{\partial N}$.

It is easy to prove that

- (i) $\bar{\pi}v \simeq 1_K$,
- (ii) $i \simeq k\bar{\pi}$,
- (iii) $i(v\pi) \simeq 1_N$.

(This observation is also true if K is a globally 1-*alg*, simply-connected CANR in S^n ($n \geq 6$) having the homotopy type of a finite complex of dimension $\leq n-3$.)

LEMMA 2. Let K be a finite subcomplex of R^n . Let $N = W \times [-1, 1]$, π, v be as above. Then for every $q \geq 1$, given $[\alpha] \in H_q(\partial N)$, $\alpha \sim 0$ in $R^{n+1} - K$ if and only if $[\alpha] \in v_* H_q(K)$.

Proof. The homology sequence of the pair $(N, \partial N)$ can be decomposed into split short exact sequences

$$0 \rightarrow H_{q+1}(N, \partial N) \rightarrow H_q(\partial N) \xrightarrow{i_*} H_q(N) \rightarrow 0$$

for every $q \geq 1$, since $i_*(v\pi)_* = 1_*$. Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
 H_q(\partial N) &= v_* \pi_* H_q(N) \oplus \text{Ker } i_* \\
 &= v_* H_q(K) \oplus \text{Ker } \bar{\pi}_* \quad (\pi_*, k_* \text{ are isomorphisms}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 0 \rightarrow H_{q+1}(R^{n+1}, R^{n+1} - \text{Int } N) & \xrightarrow{\approx} & H_q(R^{n+1} - \text{Int } N) & \rightarrow & 0 \\
 & \uparrow \approx & & \uparrow j_* & \\
 0 \rightarrow H_{q+1}(N, \partial N) & \xrightarrow{\partial} & H_q(\partial N) & \rightarrow & \dots
 \end{array}$$

where $j: \partial N \hookrightarrow R^{n+1} - \text{Int } N$, proves that $j_*[\text{Im } \partial]$ is an isomorphism from $\text{Im } \partial = \text{Ker } i_*$ onto $H_q(R^{n+1} - \text{Int } N) = H_q(R^{n+1} - K)$. Hence, given $[\alpha] \in H_q(\partial N)$, then $j_*[\alpha] = 0$ if and only if $[\alpha] \in v_* H_q(K)$, since $v(K)$ is contractible in $R^n \times \{1\} \subset R^{n+1} - K$. ■

THEOREM 1. Let K_1, K_2 be simply-connected subcomplexes of S^n . Then $S^{n+1} - K_1 \approx S^{n+1} - K_2$ implies $K_1 \approx K_2$.

Proof. Let N_i be a regular neighborhood of K_i in S^{n+1} , $\bar{\pi}_i: \partial N_i \rightarrow K_i$ and $v_i: K_i \rightarrow \partial N_i$ as in Lemma 2. Let $f: \partial N_1 \rightarrow \partial N_2$ be a homotopy equivalence as in Lemma 1.

Define $h = \bar{\pi}_2 v_1: K_1 \rightarrow K_2$.

Since K_1, K_2 are simply-connected finite complexes, it suffices to show that $h_*: H_q(K_1) \rightarrow H_q(K_2)$ is an isomorphism for every $2 \leq q \leq n-2$ ([18], Theorem 7.6.25 and Corollary 7.6.24).

Consider the following commutative diagram ($2 \leq q \leq n-2$).

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 (v_1)_* H_q(K_1) \oplus \text{Ker } (\bar{\pi}_1)_* & \xrightarrow{f_*} & H_q(\partial N_1) \xrightarrow{j_*} H_q(\partial N_2) = (v_2)_* H_q(K_2) \oplus \text{Ker } (\bar{\pi}_2)_* \\
 \uparrow (v_1)_* & & (v_2)_* \uparrow (\bar{\pi}_2)_* \\
 H_q(K_1) & \xrightarrow{h_*} & H_q(K_2)
 \end{array}$$

Since $(\bar{\pi}_2)_*(v_2)_* H_q(K_2)$ is an isomorphism from $(v_2)_* H_q(K_2)$ onto $H_q(K_2)$, the proof of Theorem 1 will be complete if we can show that $f_*[(v_1)_* H_q(K_1)]$ is an isomorphism from $(v_1)_* H_q(K_1)$ onto $(v_2)_* H_q(K_2)$.

However, this property can be proved from the property of f given in Lemma 1 and the property of the subgroup $(v_i)_* H_q(K_i)$ of $H_q(\partial N_i)$, $i = 1, 2$ given in Lemma 2, for $2 \leq q \leq n-2$. ■

LEMMA 3. Let X be a globally 1-*alg* continuum in S^n , $n \geq 6$, having the shape of a simply-connected finite complex K , with $\dim K \leq n-3$. Then there is a finite subcomplex K' of S^n , $\dim K' \leq \dim K$, such that $S^{n+1} - X \approx S^{n+1} - K'$ and $\text{Sh}(X) = \text{Sh}(K')$.

Proof. By Theorem 3 [11], X has a PL-radial neighborhood W in S^n such that $W \approx K$. Let $\eta: K \rightarrow \text{Int } W$ be a homotopy equivalence. By Stallings' theorem ([8], Theorem 12.1), we have a subcomplex K' of $\text{Int } W$ with $\dim K' \leq \dim K$ and $K' \hookrightarrow \text{Int } W$ is a homotopy equivalence. Similar to the proof of Corollary 3 in [11], we can prove that W is a regular neighborhood of K' .

It is clear that $N = W \times [-1, 1]$ is a regular neighborhood of K' in S^{n+1} ; particularly, $N - K' \approx \partial N \times [0, 1]$.

Therefore, the lemma will follow if we can prove that N is also a PL-radial neighborhood of X in S^{n+1} . To prove this, it suffices to prove the following statement:

"Let $N_1 = W_1 \times [-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]$, where $W_1 = \partial W \times [\frac{1}{2}, 1] \cup X$, then $\overline{N - N_1} \approx \partial N \times [0, 1]$ ".

Let K'' be a finite subcomplex of W_1 contained in $\text{Int } W_1$, with $K'' \approx K$ and $\dim K'' \leq \dim K$ such that W_1 is a regular neighborhood of K'' in S^n as above. It is clear that N and N_1 are regular neighborhoods of K'' in S^{n+1} . The statement follows by the uniqueness of regular neighborhoods ([16], Corollary 2.16.2). ■

THEOREM 1'. Let X and Y be globally 1-*alg* continua in S^n ($n \geq 6$) having the shape of simply connected finite complexes K_1, K_2 , with $\dim K_i \leq n-3$, $i = 1, 2$. Then, $S^{n+1} - X \approx S^{n+1} - Y$ implies $\text{Sh}(X) = \text{Sh}(Y)$.

Proof. By Lemma 3, we have $S^{n+1} - X \approx S^{n+1} - K'_1$ and $S^{n+1} - Y \approx S^{n+1} - K'_2$, where K'_1, K'_2 are subcomplexes of S^n with $\dim K'_i \leq \dim K_i$ and $K'_i \approx K_i$, $i = 1, 2$. Hence, $S^{n+1} - X \approx S^{n+1} - Y$ implies that $S^{n+1} - K'_1 \approx S^{n+1} - K'_2$.

The result follows from Theorem 1. ■

Now we start to prove the main result.

Consider a simply-connected topological manifold M . Since M is a CANR, M is dominated by a finite simplicial complex. Therefore, by Theorem A [20], M satisfies the condition F_n for every n . On the other hand, M^m also satisfies the condition D_m ; hence, by Theorem F [20], $M \simeq K$, where K is a finite CW-complex with $\dim K = \max\{3, m\}$.

In the case $n \geq 6$ and $m \leq n-3$, then $\dim K \leq n-3$. Combining this observation with Theorem 3 of [11], we have the following lemma.

LEMMA 4. *Let M be a codimension 3, closed, simply connected locally flat topological submanifold of S^n ($n \geq 6$), then M has a PL-radial neighborhood W in S^n with $W \simeq M$.* ■

COROLLARY. *Let X and Y be globally 1-*alg* continua in S^n ($n \geq 6$) having the shape of a closed, $0 < (2m-n+1)$ -connected topological manifold M^m ($m \leq n-3$). Then $S^n - X \approx S^n - Y$.*

Proof. By Weller's embedding theorem [21], we may assume that M is a locally flat topological submanifold of S^n . Hence, it will suffice to show that $S^n - X \approx S^n - M$.

By Theorem 3 [11] and the observation above, X has a PL-radial neighborhood W , which has the homotopy type of M .

Let $f: M \rightarrow \text{Int } W$ be a homotopy equivalence. By Weller's embedding theorem [21], we can assume that f is a locally flat embedding of M into $\text{Int } W \subset S^n$. Now, by topological unknotting theorem [21], it suffices to show that $S^n - X \approx S^n - f(M)$.

Let V be a PL-radial neighborhood of $f(M)$ in S^n such that $V \subset \text{Int } W$ and $f(M) \subset V$ is a homotopy equivalence. Let $H = W - \text{Int } V$.

CLAIM. *H is a PL h -cobordism.*

It is clear that H is a PL-manifold with $\partial H = \partial W \cup \partial V$ and $\pi_1(\partial W) = \pi_1(\partial V) = 0$. Moreover, since $f(M) \subset V$ and $f(M) \subset W$ are homotopy equivalences, $V \subset W$ is a homotopy equivalence. Therefore, $H_*(H, \partial V) = 0$ by the excision theorem. Hence, $\pi_*(H, \partial V) = 0$ since $\pi_1(H) = 0$ and [18], Theorem 7.5.4. Theorem 3.2 of [4] shows that H strong deformation retracts onto ∂V .

On the other hand, it is clear that $\partial V \subset H - \partial W$ is a homotopy equivalence and that the PL-manifold $H - \partial W$ has a unique tame end ε (∂W is locally flat) with $\pi_1(\varepsilon) = 0$. Thus, we can apply Theorem 1.6 of [16] to conclude that

$$H - \partial W \stackrel{\text{PL}}{\approx} \partial V \times [0, 1].$$

Now employing this fact and a collar of ∂W in H , it follows that H strong deformation retracts onto ∂W .

Therefore, W is a PL-radial neighborhood of $f(M)$ in S^n by the product structure of H , and the statement $S^n - X \approx S^n - f(M)$ is proved. ■

THEOREM 2. *Let X_1 and X_2 be globally 1-*alg* continua in S^n ($n \geq 6$) having the shape of codimension 3, closed, $0 < (2m_1 - n + 1)$ -connected topological manifolds $M_i^{m_i}$, $i = 1, 2$ (respectively). Then, $S^n - X_1 \approx S^n - X_2$ if and only if $\text{Sh}(X_1) = \text{Sh}(X_2)$.*

Proof. (i) The "if part" is the previous corollary.

(ii) The proof of the "only if part", by Theorem 1, will complete if we can show that there exist finite complexes M'_1, M'_2 in S^{n-1} , with $\dim M'_i \leq n-3$, such that $M_i \simeq M'_i$ ($i = 1, 2$) and $S^n - M'_1 \approx S^n - M'_2$.

Hence, it suffices to show that $S^n - X_i \approx S^n - M'_i$ with such M'_i 's.

For the case $n \geq 6$ and $m = n-3$, every $0 < (2m-n+1)$ -connected, closed manifold has the homotopy type of the m -sphere, by the Poincaré duality theorem and the Whitehead theorem. Hence $S^n - X \approx S^n - S^{n-3}$ by the previous corollary.

The case $n = 6$ and $m \leq n-4$, is trivial.

For the case $n \geq 7$, $m \leq n-4$, we may assume that M_i is a locally flat submanifold of S^{n-1} ($n-1 \geq 6$) by Weller's embedding theorem [21]. Finally, by the "if part" and Lemma 3, $S^n - X_i \approx S^n - M_i \approx S^n - M'_i$, as desired. ■

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Commutative rings in which every proper ideal is maximal

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Abstract. We will give the full description of commutative rings in which every proper principal ideal is a prime ideal.

Introduction. Perticani studied in [2] the class of commutative rings with identity in which every proper ideal is maximal. He gave a full description of such a ring R only in the case when R has at least two different proper ideals. In the case where R has only one proper ideal he reduced the problem of characterizing such rings to the one of the computation of cohomology groups. In this paper we will give a full description in both cases. The first case is a trivial conclusion of the Chinese Remainder Theorem and the second will follow very easily from the Cohen Structure Theorem of complete local rings.

All throughout R denotes a commutative ring with identity. We have the same notation as in [3]. The following lemma shows that three classes of rings with pathological properties are only one class and we do not use it in the following.

PROPOSITION 1. *Let R be a ring. Then the following are equivalent:*

1. every proper ideal is maximal,
2. every proper ideal is a primeideal,
3. every proper principal ideal is a primeideal.

Proof. $1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3$ is trivial. To see that $3 \rightarrow 1$ let A be a proper ideal of R and $a \in A$, $a \neq 0$. Suppose $bc \in A$. If $bc \neq 0$, then $b \in (bc) \subseteq A$ or $c \in (bc) \subseteq A$. If $bc = 0$, then $b \in (a) \subseteq A$ or $c \in (a) \subseteq A$. It follows that R/A is an integral domain. Clearly R/A is a regular ring. Therefore A is a maximal ideal. Q.E.D.

Call a ring R a *max-ring* if every proper ideal is maximal.

LEMMA 2 (see Theorem 1.1 and Theorem 1.4 of [2]). *Suppose R is a max-ring and R contains at least two different proper ideals then R is isomorphic to a product of two fields.*

Proof. Let A_1, A_2 be proper ideals of R and $A_1 \neq A_2$. It follows immediately that $A_1 \cap A_2 = (0)$. Since A_1, A_2 are comaximal it follows from the Chinese