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## A NOTE ON EMBEDDINGS MANIFOLDS INTO TOPOLOGICAL GROUPS PRESERVING DIMENSIONS

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#### **1. INTRODUCTION**

In this paper, we assume that all spaces are Tychonoff. It is well-known that topological groups are Tychonoff (e.g., see [7, p. 29]). In [2], Bel'nov proved that every spaces X can be embedded into a homogeneous space  $H_X$  such that ind  $H_X = X$ , Ind  $H_X = \text{Ind } X$  and dim  $H_X = \dim X$  in the case when the corresponding dimension of X is finite. Also, Bel'nov asked whether every spaces X can be embedded into a topological group G with dim  $G \leq \dim X$  (see [9]). Shakhmatov proved that if  $n \neq 0, 1, 3, 7$ , then the n-dimensional sphere  $S^n$  can not be embedded into an n-dimensional topological group, and he showed that in the case dim X = 0, the answer to this question is positive [9]. In [6], Kimura proved that if a topological group G contains the bouquet  $S^1 \vee S^1$  of two circles, then dim  $G \ge 2$ , which implies that in the case dim X = 1, the answer is negative. In [5], the author proved that if G contains the one point union  $S^n \vee I$  of the n-dimensional sphere  $S^n$  and an arc I, then dim  $G \ge n+1$  (n = 1, 2, ...), which implies that in the case dim  $X \ge 1$ , the question is negative.

Also, in [9, p.182] Shakhmatov asked whether  $S^7$  can be embedded into a topological group G with dim G = 7. Note that  $S^n (n = 0, 1, 3)$  is a topological group,  $S^7$  is an H-space but not a topological group, and  $S^n (n \neq 0, 1, 3, 7)$  is not an H-space (see [1]). To prove his above result, Shakhmatov essentially used the Adams' theorem that  $S^n (n \neq 0, 1, 3, 7)$  is not an H-space. Naturally, the following problem will be raised: What kinds of manifols can be embedded into topological groups preserving dimensions?

In this paper, we prove that if a topological group G contains the one point union  $\mathbb{D}^n \vee I$  of an *n*-ball  $\mathbb{D}^n$  and an arc I, then dim  $G \ge n+1$ . The case n = 1 is a negative answer to a question of Kimura [6, (4.5) Question]. Next, we prove the following theorem: Let M be an *n*-dimensional compact manifold without boundary. Then M

can be embedded into an *n*-dimensional topological group if and only if M is itself a topological group. Hence  $S^7$  can not be embedded into a topological group G with dim G = 7 or ind G = 7 or Ind G = 7.

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#### 2. EMBEDDINGS INTO TOPOLOGICAL GROUPS AND DIMENSIONS.

Let R be the real line and Let  $\mathbf{D}^n$  be the n-ball  $\{(x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \leq 1\}$ . Let I be the unit interval [0, 1] in R. Also, let  $S^n$  be the n-dimensional sphere  $\{(x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_{n+1}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \mid \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} x_i^2 = 1\}$  and let  $p = (1, 0, \ldots, 0) \in S^n$ . By identifying the point  $* = (0, 0, \ldots, 0) \in \mathbf{D}^n$  and  $0 \in I$ , we obtain the one point union  $(\mathbf{D}^n \vee I, *)$  of  $(\mathbf{D}^n, *)$  and (I, 0).

Then we have the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.1.** Let G be a topological group. If G contains  $\mathbf{D}^n \vee I$   $(n \ge 1)$ , then  $\dim G \ge n+1$ .

To prove (2.1), we need the following well-known result (e.g., see [3, (3.2.10) Theorem]).

**Theorem 2.2.** A normal space X satisfies the inequality dim  $X \leq n$   $(n \geq 0)$  if and only for every closed subset A of X and each mapping  $f: A \to S^n$  there is an (continuous) extension  $F: X \to S^n$  of f over X.

Proof of (2.1). Suppose, on the contrary, that there is a topological group G with contains  $\mathbf{D}^n \vee I$  and dim  $G \leq n$ . Let  $h: \mathbf{D}^n \vee I \to G$  be an embedding. Since G is homogeneous, we may assume that h(\*) = e is the unit element of the group G. We may assume that  $\mathbf{D}^n$  and I are naturally the subsets of  $\mathbf{D}^n \vee I$ . Let  $\varphi: \mathbf{D}^n \times I \to G$  be the homotopy defined by

$$\varphi(x,t)=h(x)\cdot h(t)$$

for  $x \in \mathbf{D}^n$  and  $t \in I$ , where the symbol  $\cdot$  denotes the group composition of G. Choose a neighborhood U of  $\varphi(\partial \mathbf{D}^n \times \{0\})$  in G and a neighborhood V of  $\varphi(*,0)$ (= h(\*)) in G such that  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ , where  $\partial \mathbf{D}^n$  denotes the manifold boundary. Then, take a sufficiently small positive number t such that  $\varphi(\partial \mathbf{D}^n \times [0,t]) \subset U$  and  $\varphi(\{*\} \times [0,t]) \subset V$ . Since  $\varphi(\mathbf{D}^n \times \{t\})$  is an n-ball and  $\varphi(*,t)$  is not contained in  $\varphi(\mathbf{D}^n \times \{0\})$ , we can choose a small n-ball B in  $\varphi(\mathbf{D}^n \times \{t\}) \cap V$  such that  $\varphi(*,t) \in B$ and  $B \cap \varphi(\mathbf{D}^n \times \{0\}) = \emptyset$ . Note that  $B \cap (\varphi(\partial \mathbf{D}^n \times [0,t]) \cup \varphi(\mathbf{D}^n \times \{0\})) = \emptyset$ . Define a map  $f: \varphi(\mathbf{D}^n \times \{0.t\}) \cup \varphi(\partial \mathbf{D}^n \times [0,t]) \to S^n$  as follows: If x is not contained in B, f(x) = p, and  $f|B: (B, \partial B) \to (B/\partial B, *') \equiv (S^n, p)$  is the natural quotient map which is obtained from B by shriking the boundary  $\partial B$  to a point \*'. Note that  $\varphi(\mathbf{D}^n \times I)$  is compact metrizable. Since dim  $G \leq n$ , dim  $\varphi(\mathbf{D}^n \times [0,t]) \leq n$ .

By (2.2), we have an extension  $F: \varphi(\mathbf{D}^n \times [0,t]) \to S^n$  of f. Put  $H' = F\varphi$ :  $\mathbf{D}^n \times I \to S^n$ . Note that  $H'(\partial \mathbf{D}^n \times [0,t]) = *$ . Hence we obtain a homotopy  $H: S^n \times [0,t] \to S^n$  induced by H' such that  $H_0$  is a constant map and  $H_t$  is homotopic to the identity map of  $S^n$ , where  $H_s(x) = H(x,s)$  for  $0 \leq s \leq t$  and  $x \in S^n$ . Since  $S^n$  is not contractible, this is a contradiction.

Remark 2.3. By (2.1), the one point union  $\mathbf{D}^n \vee I(n \ge 1)$  can not be embedded into an *n*-dimensional topological group and dim $(\mathbf{D}^n \vee I) = n$ . Hence the one point union  $\mathbf{D}^n \vee I(n \ge 1)$  is the simplest example which gives a negative answer to the question of Bel'nov. The case n = 1 is a negative answer to the question of Kimura [6, (4.5) Question]. Also, in the proof of (2.1) we get a contradiction to assume that dim  $\varphi(\mathbf{D}^n \times I) \le n$ . Since  $\varphi(\mathbf{D}^n \times I)$  is compact and metrizable, we can conclude that  $\mathbf{D}^n \vee I$  can not be embedded into a topological group G such that ind  $G \le n$  or Ind  $G \le n$  or dim  $G \le n$ .

The following lemma is trivial.

**Lemma 2.4.** Let G be a topological group. If P is the path component containing the unit element of G, then P is a subgroup of G.

The following is the main theorem of this paper.

**Theorem 2.5.** Let M be a n-dimensional compact manifold without boundary  $(n \ge 1)$ . Then M can be embedded into an n-dimensional topological group G if and only if M is itself a topological group.

Proof. Suppose that M is not a topological group. We may assume that M is path connected and M contains the unit element e of G. Suppose, on the contrary, that G is an n-dimensional topological group G containing M. Let P is the path component of G which contains the unit element e of G. Then P is also a topological group (see (2.4)) and  $P \supset M$ . Since M is not a topological group,  $P - M \neq \emptyset$ . Take a point  $x_0 \in P - M$ . Since P is path connected, there is an arc A in P from  $x_0$  to a point  $y_0$  of M such that  $A \cap M = \{y_0\}$ . Since M is an n-dimensional manifold without boundary, there is a subset K of P which is homeomorphic to  $\mathbb{D}^n \vee I$ . Let  $\varphi: \mathbb{D}^n \times I \to P$  be the homotopy as in the proof of (2.1). Then we see that  $\varphi(\mathbb{D}^n \times I)$  is compact and matrizable with dim  $\varphi(\mathbb{D}^n \times I) \ge n+1$ . Hence dim  $G \ge n+1$ . This is a contradiction. The converse assertion is obvious.

**Remark 2.6.** It is well known that an *n*-dimensional sphere  $S^n$  is a topological group if and only if n = 0, 1, 3. Hence  $S^n (n \neq 0, 1, 3)$  can not be embedded into an *n*-dimensional topological group. The case n = 7 is a negative answer to a question of Shakhmatov [9, p. 182]. Also, by the proof of (2.5), we can conclude that if M is an *n*-dimensional compact manifold without boundary which is contained in an *n*-dimensional topological group G, then M is a path component of G.

In the theory of topological groups (see [7]), the structure of locally compact topological groups has been studied by may mathematicians. Especially, the following is well known as a positive answer to Hilbert's fifth problem: A locally compact topological group which is finite-dimensional and locally (path) connected is a Lie group, in particular, a manifold without boundary (see [7, (4.10.1) Theorem]). In the theory of locally compact topological groups, the property of being locally compact is essential (see [7] and [4]).

Now, we will give the proof of the following without the assumption of locally compactness.

Corollary 2.7. If G is an n-dimensional topological group which contains an n-ball and G is locally path connected, then G is a Lie group.

**Proof.** By (2.1), we know that G does not contain  $\mathbf{D}^n \vee I$ . Since G is homogeneous and locally path connected, we can see that G is an *n*-dimensional manifold, which implies that G is locally compact. Hence G is a Lie group.

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