Homework 12

1. Let X be the figure-eight graph and Y the theta graph. Describe maps $f: X \to Y$ and $g: Y \to X$ that are homotopy inverses.

2. Construct an explicit deformation retraction from $\mathbb{R}^n - \{\mathbf{0}\}$ to S^{n-1} .

3. Show that the retract of a contractible space is contractible.

4. Construct a 2–dimensional cell complex that contains both a annulus $S^1 \times I$ and a Möbius band as deformation retracts.

5. Show that S^{∞} is contractible.