

in S . We define the terms "tangent line" and "tangent plane". Our principal results may be stated as follows: if K is a point continuum in S and if P is a point of K , then the set of all lines tangent to K at P is a line continuum and the set of all planes tangent to K at P is a plane continuum.

SUR LES TRANSFORMATIONS DES SPHÈRES EN SPHÈRES

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L'auteur étudie les classes de transformations univoques d'une S_{n+k} en une S_n et obtient ce théorème définitif pour $k=1, 2$.

Théorème. Soit $P(n, k)$ le nombre de classes de transformations univoques de S_{n+k} en S_n . On a alors

$$P(n, 1) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{pour } n=1 \\ \infty & \text{pour } n=2 \\ 2 & \text{pour } n>2. \end{cases}$$

$$P(n, 2) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{pour } n \neq 2 \\ 2 & \text{pour } n=2. \end{cases}$$

ON HOMOLOGIES IN GENERAL SPACES

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Let F be an arbitrary r -dimensional set in R^n , and let $Z^p \sim 0$ be an arbitrary homology in F . We assume $Z^p = z_1^p, z_2^p, \dots, z_k^p, \dots$ to be a true cycle in F with a variable modulus m_k .¹ By B we denote an arbitrary carrier of Z^p , i. e. a closed subset of F containing all vertices of the cycles z_k^p for all $k=1, 2, \dots$.

We say a subset A of F destroys the homology $Z^p \sim 0$ in F if Z^p is totally $\neq 0$ in any compact subset of $F-A$. We can assume A to be a closed subset of F outside a carrier B of Z^p such that Z^p is totally $\neq 0$ in B . Then we can obtain the following theorems, which were conjectured by P. Alexandroff¹ (dimensionstheoretischer Verschlingungssatz):

Theorem H_1 . There exists always an at most $(r-h-1)$ -dimensional subset $F^{(r-h-1)}$ of F ($0 \leq h \leq r-1$) which destroys the homology $Z^h \sim 0$ in F , i. e. Z^h is totally $\neq 0$ in $F-F^{(r-h-1)}$.

¹ See P. Alexandroff, "Dimensionstheorie", Math. Annalen, 106 (1932), 161-238.