

**Math 527 - Homotopy Theory**  
**Spring 2013**  
**Homework 7, Lecture 2/27**

**Problem 3.** (Hatcher § 4.1 Exercise 14 and more)

**a.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be homotopy equivalent spaces. Assuming that  $X$  and  $Y$  admit CW-structures without  $(n + 1)$ -cells (for some  $n \geq 0$ ), show that the  $n$ -skeleta  $X_n$  and  $Y_n$  are homotopy equivalent.

**b.** Find an example of homotopy equivalent spaces  $X$  and  $Y$ , and CW-structures on  $X$  and  $Y$  such that for all  $n \geq 0$ , the  $n$ -skeleta  $X_n$  and  $Y_n$  are *not* homotopy equivalent.