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Homeomorphism groups of non-compact surfaces

Abstract. It is shown that for any connected non-compact surface X the connected component $H_0(X)$ of the homeomorphism group H(X) of X, endowed with the Whitney (or graph) topology, is homeomorphic to $R^{\infty} \times l_2$.

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