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MATHEMATICS

(Theory Paper)

Paper Code : MAT 204

(General Topology)

Full Marks – 80

Time – Three hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

1. (a) Let B and B' be bases for the topologies T and T' respectively on X . Show that T' is finer than T if and only if for each $x \in X$ and $B \in \mathcal{B}$ with $x \in B$, there is $B' \in \mathcal{B}'$ such that $x \in B' \subseteq B$. 5
- (b) Let (X, T) be a topological space and E be a non-empty subset of X . Show that the characteristic function of E on X is continuous if and only if E is both open and closed subset of X . 5

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Or

Let $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function defined by

$$f(x) := \begin{cases} 2, & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ -2, & \text{if } x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

Check whether

(i) f is $U - U$ is continuous.

(ii) f is $T - T$ is continuous.

Where U and T are respectively the usual and lower limit topology on \mathbb{R} . $2\frac{1}{2} + 2\frac{1}{2} = 5$

(c) Let X be an infinite set and $f: \mathcal{P}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ be a function defined by

$$f(A) := \begin{cases} A, & \text{if } A \text{ is finite.} \\ X, & \text{if } A \text{ is infinite.} \end{cases}$$

Show that f satisfies the Kuratowski closure axioms. Hence find the topology induced by f . $3+2=5$

(d) Let f be a continuous open function from a topological space (X, T) onto another space (Y, T^*) . Show that T^* is the quotient topology on Y relative to f . 5

Or

Let f be a continuous closed function from a topological space (X, T) onto another space (Y, T^*) . Show that T^* is the quotient topology on Y relative to f . 5

2. (a) Let (X, T) be a second countable space with X is uncountable set. Prove that every uncountable subset of X has a limit point. Does the result is true for separable space? $4+1=5$

(b) Show that a topological space is T_1 if and only if it contains the co-finite topology. 5

Or

Let (X, T) be a T_1 -space. Show that the derived set of a finite set in X is a null set. 5

(c) Prove or disprove that in a $T_{3\frac{1}{2}}$ -space any two distinct points can be separated by continuous function. 5

(d) By applying Urysohn's lemma, show that every T_4 -space is a Tychonoff space. 5

3. (a) Prove that a compact Hausdorff space is T_4 -space. 5

Or

Show that intersection of closed and compact subset of a space is compact. Does the result is true for intersection of two compact subsets ?

4+1=5

- (b) Let (X, T) and (Y, T^*) be two topological space such that X is compact and Y is Hausdorff. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a continuous function. Show that $\overline{f(A)} = f(\overline{A})$ for every $A \subseteq X$. 5

Or

Show that every real valued continuous function from a compact space is a quotient function. 5

- (c) Let (X, T) be a topological space and (\hat{X}, \hat{T}) be its Alexandroff compactification. Show that (\hat{X}, \hat{T}) is Hausdorff if and only if (X, T) is locally compact Hausdorff. 5

- (d) Let X be a compact Hausdorff space. Then for any $x \in X$, show that $Q(x) := \bigcap \{F \subseteq X \mid x \in F \text{ and } F \text{ is clopen}\}$ is connected. 5

4. (a) For a collection of topological spaces, write a short note on the "comparison of the box and product topologies". 5

- (b) Let (Y, T^*) be a topological space and

$\left(X = \prod_{\alpha} X_{\alpha}, T \right)$ be a product space. Then

show that a function $f : Y \rightarrow X$ is continuous if and only if for each projection $\pi_{\alpha} : X \rightarrow X_{\alpha}$, the composite mapping $\pi_{\alpha} \circ f : Y \rightarrow X_{\alpha}$ is continuous. 5

- (c) Let $\{(X_{\alpha}, T_{\alpha}) \mid \alpha \in J\}$ be an arbitrary collection of normal spaces and T be the product topology on $X := \prod_{\alpha \in J} X_{\alpha}$.

Then for any be two disjoint closed subsets F_1 and F_2 of (X, T) , can you construct a continuous function $f : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ such that $f(F_1) = 1$ and $f(F_2) = 0$? Justify your answer. 1+4=5

- (d) Let $\{(X_\alpha, T_\alpha) \mid \alpha \in J\}$ be an arbitrary collection of topological spaces and T be the product topology on $X := \prod_{\alpha \in J} X_\alpha$. Show that product space is compact if and only if each space is compact. 5

Or

Let $(X := \prod_{\alpha \in J} X_\alpha, T)$ be the product space of an indexed family of spaces $\{(X_\alpha, T_\alpha) \mid \alpha \in J\}$. Show that X is connected if and only if for each $\alpha \in J$, X_α has the corresponding property. 5

(Symbols are in their usual meaning.)