

M.Sc. (CBCS) DEGREE EXAMINATION,
APRIL 2023

Third Semester

Mathematics — Core

TOPOLOGY — I

(For those who joined in July 2021 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ which one of the following is a topology on X
- (a) $\{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{c, d\}\}$
 (b) $\{X, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$
 (c) $\{\emptyset, X, \{a, b\}, \{c, d\}\}$
 (d) $\{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, c, d\}\}$

5. In \mathbb{R} , define $d(x, y) = |x - y|$. Then $B(3, 0.7)$ is

- (a) $(3, 3.7)$ (b) $(2.3, 3.7)$
 (c) $(-0.7, 0.7)$ (d) $(3.7, 4.4)$

6. The standard bounded metric \bar{d} corresponding to d is defined by

- (a) $\max\{1, d(x, y)\}$
 (b) $\min\{d(x, y), d(y, x)\}$
 (c) $\min\{1, d(x, y)\}$
 (d) $1 + d(x, y)$

7. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and let $I = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$ then

- (a) $(\{a, b\}, \{c, d\})$ is a separation of X
 (b) $(\{a\}, \{b, c, d\})$ is a separation of X
 (c) $(\{a\}, \{b\})$ is a separation of X
 (d) X has no separation

8. Which one of the following is an open covering for \mathbb{R} ?

- (a) $\{(n, n+1)/n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ (b) $\{(n-1, n)/n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$
 (c) $\{(n, n+2)/n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ (d) $\{[n, n+1]/n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

2. $[0, 2)$ is

- (a) open in \mathbb{R} but not open in \mathbb{R}_l
 (b) open in \mathbb{R}_l but not open in \mathbb{R}
 (c) open in \mathbb{R}_l and open in \mathbb{R}
 (d) not open in \mathbb{R}_l and not open in \mathbb{R}

3. If $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined by $f(x) = 3x + 1$, then $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is the inverse of f is

- (a) $g(y) = 3y - 1$
 (b) $g(y) = -3y + 1$
 (c) $g(y) = \frac{1}{3}(y - 1)$
 (d) $g(y) = 3(y - 1)$

4. Let $f: A \rightarrow X \times Y$ be given by the equation $f(a) = (f_1(a), f_2(a))$ where $f_1: A \rightarrow X$ and $f_2: A \rightarrow Y$ are two functions. If $U \times V$ is a basis element for the product topology of $X \times Y$, then $f^{-1}(U \times V)$ is

- (a) $f_1^{-1}(U) \cap f_2^{-1}(V)$ (b) $f_1^{-1}(U) \cup f_2^{-1}(V)$
 (c) $f_1(U) \cap f_2(V)$ (d) $f_1(U) \cup f_2(V)$

9. A space X is said to be limit point compact is
- (a) every point is a limit point
 (b) every infinite subset of X has a limit point
 (c) every subset of X has a limit point
 (d) every finite subset of X has a limit point

10. The one-point compactification of the real line \mathbb{R} is

- (a) S^1
 (b) S^2
 (c) the extended complex plane
 (d) \mathbb{C}

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Let \mathcal{B} and \mathcal{B}' be bases for the topologies τ and τ' respectively on X . Prove that τ' is finer than τ if and only if for each $x \in X$ and each basis element $B \in \mathcal{B}$ containing x , there is a basis element $B' \in \mathcal{B}'$ such that $x \in B' \subseteq B$.

Or

- (b) Prove that every finite point set in a Hausdorff space X is closed.

12. (a) State and prove the pasting lemma.

Or

(b) Let $\{X_\alpha\}$ be an indexed family of spaces. Let $A_\alpha \subset X_\alpha$ for each α . If πX_α is given either the product or the box topology, prove that $\pi \overline{A_\alpha} = \overline{\pi A_\alpha}$.

13. (a) Let d and d' be two metrics on the set X , and let τ and τ' be the topologies they induce, respectively. Prove that τ' is finer than τ if and only if for each x in X and each $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that $B_{d'}(x, \delta) \subset B_d(x, \varepsilon)$.

Or

(b) State and prove the sequence lemma.

14. (a) Prove that the image of a connected space under a continuous map is connected.

Or

(b) Prove that every compact subspace of a Hausdorff space is closed.

15. (a) Give an example of a limit point compact space which is not compact.

Or

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17. (a) Let X and Y be topological spaces, let $f: X \rightarrow Y$. Prove that the following are equivalent.

(i) For every closed set B of Y , the set $f^{-1}(B)$ is closed in X

(ii) f is continuous

(iii) for every subset A of X , one has $f(\overline{A}) \subseteq \overline{f(A)}$.

Or

(b) If each space X_α is a Hausdorff space, prove that πX_α is a Hausdorff space in both the box and product topologies.

18. (a) Define a suitable metric D on R^m and show that D induces the product topology on R^m .

Or

(b) Show that R^m in the box topology is not metrizable.

19. (a) Prove that a finite Cartesian product of connected space is connected.

Or

(b) Prove that the product of two compact spaces is compact.

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(b) Let X be a Hausdorff space. Prove that X is exactly compact if and only if given x in X and given a neighborhood U of x , there is a neighborhood V of x such that \overline{V} is compact and $\overline{V} \subset U$.

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

16. (a) Define a topology. Write down any three topologies on $X = \{a, b, c\}$. Define the finite complement topology on a set X and show that it is a topology on X .

Or

(b) Let X be a topological space. Prove that

(i) \emptyset and X are closed

(ii) arbitrary intersections of closed sets are closed

(iii) finite unions of closed sets are closed

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20. (a) Define a limit point compact space and a sequentially compact space. If X is metrizable, prove that if X is limit point compact then it is sequentially compact.

Or

(b) If X is a locally compact Hausdorff space that is not itself compact, then prove that X has a one-point compactification Y .

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