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2020_1 EXAMINATIONS

Course Code: MTH402

Course Title: General Topology II

Credit Unit: 3

Time Allowed: 3 Hours

Instruction: Attempt Number One (1) and Any Other Four (4) Questions

1. (a) Define a topological space. (3 marks)
 (b) Show that the intersection $\tau = \bigcap_{\alpha} \tau_{\alpha}$ of topologies $\{\tau_{\alpha} \in \Delta \text{ on } X\}$ is itself a topology in X , where Δ is some indexing set. (14 marks)
 (c) Let X and Y be two topological spaces. Let \mathbf{B} be the collection of all sets of the form $U \times V$, where U is an open subset of X and V is an open subset of Y . i.e.,
 $\mathbf{B} := \{U \times V : U \text{ is open in } X \text{ and } V \text{ is open in } Y\}$.
 Show that \mathbf{B} is basis for topology on $X \times Y$. (3 marks)
 (d) Let Y be a subspace of X . If U is open in Y and Y is open in X , show that U is open in X . (2 marks)
2. (a) Define the following terms: (3 marks)
 (i) basis for a topology on a set X . (3 marks)
 (ii) topology generated by a basis. (3 marks)
 (b) Let \mathbf{B} and \mathbf{B}^0 be bases for the topologies τ and τ^0 respectively on X . Show that the following are equivalent:
 i. τ^0 is finer than τ . (3 marks)
 ii. For each $x \in X$ and each element $B \in \mathbf{B}$ containing x , there exists a basis element $B^0 \in \mathbf{B}^0$ such that $x \in B^0 \subset B$. (3 marks)
3. (a) Let d be a metric on the set X . Show that the collection of all r - balls $B_d(x, r)$, for $x \in X$ and $r > 0$ is a basis for a topology on X , called the metric topology induced by d . (6 marks)
 (b) Prove that the collection
 $S = \{\pi_1^{-1}(U) : U \text{ is open in } X\} \cup \{\pi_2^{-1}(V) : V \text{ is open in } Y\}$
 is a subbasis for the product on $X \times Y$. (6 marks)
4. (a) Let Y be a subspace of X . Show that a set A is closed in Y if and only if it equals the intersection of a closed set of X with Y . (6 marks)
 (b) Let A be a subset of the topological space X . Prove that:

(i) The $x \in \bar{A}$ if and only if every open set U containing x intersects A .

(ii) Supposing the topology of X is given by a basis, then $x \in \bar{A}$ if and only if every basis element B containing x intersects A . **(6 marks)**

5. (a) Let A be a subset of the topological space X . Let A^0 be the set of all limit points of A . Show that $\bar{A} = A \cup A^0$. **(6 marks)**

(b) State whether each of the following is a Hausdorff space or not:

(i) Every metric topology. **$\left(1\frac{1}{2}\right)$ marks)**

(ii) Every discrete space. **$\left(1\frac{1}{2}\right)$ marks)**

(iii) The real line \mathbb{R} with the finite complement topology. **$\left(1\frac{1}{2}\right)$ marks)**

(iv) \mathbb{R} with the usual topology. **$\left(1\frac{1}{2}\right)$ marks)**

6. (a) Show that if X is a Hausdorff space, then for all $x \in X$, the singleton set $\{x\}$ is closed. **(7 marks)**

(b) Let X be a Hausdorff space, then a sequence of points of X converges to at most one point of X . (i.e., if a sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X , a Hausdorff space, converges, the limit is unique. **(5 marks)**