

Topology  
M.Sc.(Hons.) Mathematics, Semester-IV  
Major Test

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MTL551

Max. Marks 50  
Time allowed: 03 hour

*Instructions to the students:*

i) Read each question carefully before attempting the solution.

ii) All questions carry equal marks.

1. Let  $X$  be a first countable topological space and  $A$  be a subset of  $X$ . Prove that a sequence of points of  $A$  converges to a point  $x \in X$  if and only if  $x \in \bar{A}$ . (5)
2. (a) Let  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  be continuous. Prove that there is a point  $x \in [0, 1]$  such that  $f(x) = x$ . (2)
- (b) Prove that the general linear group  $GL_n(\mathbb{R})$  as a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^{n^2}$  is not connected. (3)
3. (a) Prove that the product of two path connected topological spaces is path connected. (2)
- (b) Prove that a subspace of a completely regular space is completely regular. (3)
4. (a) Prove that a locally compact Hausdörff space is completely regular. (2)
- (b) Let  $X$  be a topological space such that for every collection  $\mathcal{C}$  of closed sets in  $X$  having the finite intersection property,  $\bigcap_{C \in \mathcal{C}} C \neq \emptyset$ . Prove that  $X$  is compact. (3)
5. Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an open covering of a metric space  $(X, d)$ . If  $X$  is compact, prove that there is a real number  $\delta > 0$  such that each subset  $A$  of  $X$  with diameter less than  $\delta$ , is contained in some member of  $\mathcal{A}$ . (5)
6. Prove that every compact Hausdörff space is normal. (5)
7. Let for any closed subspace  $A$  of a topological space  $X$ , and any continuous function  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , there is a continuous extension  $g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $g(x) = f(x)$  for all  $x \in A$ . Prove that  $X$  is normal. (5)
8. Let  $X$  be a normal space. Prove that there is a continuous map  $f : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  such that for any two disjoint closed subsets  $A$  and  $B$  of  $X$ ,  $f(A) = \{0\}$  and  $f(B) = \{1\}$ . (5)
9. Prove that a regular space with countable basis is always metrizable. (5)
10. Let  $X$  be a set with the following properties (i) For any collection  $\mathcal{A}$  of subsets of  $X$  having finite intersection property(FIP), there is a collection  $\mathcal{D} \supset \mathcal{A}$  of subsets of  $X$  such that  $\mathcal{D}$  is maximal with respect to FIP. (ii) Any finite intersection of members of  $\mathcal{D}$  is in  $\mathcal{D}$  (iii) If  $A$  is a subset of  $X$  that intersects every element of  $\mathcal{D}$  then  $A \in \mathcal{D}$ . Assuming (i), (ii), and (iii), *prove that an arbitrary product of compact topological spaces is compact.* (5)