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(2017 Admission)  
MATHEMATICS  
MAT1 C04 : Basic Topology**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

**Instructions :** Answer **any four** questions from Part – A. **Each** question carries 4 marks.

Answer **any four** questions from Part – B without omitting **any** Unit. **Each** question carries 16 marks.

**PART – A**

1. Let  $d$  be the discrete metric on a nonempty set  $X$ . Find the topology on  $X$  generated by  $d$ .
2. When is a metric space  $(X, d)$  said to be bounded? Does boundedness depend on the metric? Justify your answer.
3. Let  $X = \{1, 2, 3\}$ ,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{2, 3\}, X\}$ ,  $Y = \{4, 5\}$   $\tau_Y = \{\emptyset, \{4\}, Y\}$ . Find the defining subbasis for the product topology on  $X \times Y$ .
4. For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , Let  $X_n = \{1, 2\}$  and let  $\tau_n$  be the discrete topology on  $X_n$ . Let  $\tau$  be the product topology and  $\tau_{\mathcal{U}}$  be the box topology on  $\prod_{n \in \mathbb{N}} X_n$ . Show that  $\tau \neq \tau_{\mathcal{U}}$ .
5. Let  $\tau$  be the usual topology on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Show that  $(\mathbb{R}, \tau)$  is connected.
6. Define a totally disconnected space. Consider  $\mathbb{R}$  with usual topology. Is  $\mathbb{Q}$  with subspace topology totally disconnected? Why?

**PART – B**

**Unit – I**

7. a) Let  $X$  be an infinite set and  $\tau = \{U \in \mathcal{P}(X) : U = \emptyset \text{ or } X - U \text{ is countable}\}$ . Prove that  $\tau$  is a topology on  $X$ . In case  $X$  is finite what is  $\tau$ ?  
b) Let  $X = \{1, 2, 3\}$ . Determine whether  $\mathcal{B} = \{\{1, 2\}, \{2, 3\}\}$  is a basis for a topology on  $X$ .  
c) State and prove a necessary and sufficient condition for a subset of  $\mathcal{P}(X)$  to be a basis for a topology on  $X$ .

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8. a) Define a separable space. Give an example of a topological space which is not separable.  
 b) Prove that every separable metric space is second countable.  
 c) State and prove Baire category theorem.
9. a) Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a first countable space, let  $\langle x_n \rangle$  be a sequence in  $X$  and let  $x \in X$ . Prove that  $\langle x_n \rangle$  clusters at  $x$  if and only if there is a subsequence of  $\langle x_n \rangle$  that converges to  $x$ .  
 b) Let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \sigma)$  be topological spaces. Prove that  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is continuous if and only if  $C$  is a closed subset of  $(Y, \sigma)$ , then  $f^{-1}(C)$  is a closed subset of  $(X, \tau)$ .  
 c) Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $(Y, d)$  be a metric space. Let for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $f_n : X \rightarrow Y$  be a continuous function such that  $\langle f_n \rangle$  converges uniformly to a function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ , then prove that  $f$  is continuous.

### Unit – II

10. a) Let  $A$  be a subset of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ . Define the subspace topology  $\tau_A$  and show that  $\tau_A$  is indeed a topology on  $A$ .  
 b) Give an example of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , a subspace  $(A, \tau_A)$  of  $(X, \tau)$  and an open set in  $(A, \tau_A)$  that is not open in  $(X, \tau)$ .  
 c) Define an embedding and show that the function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  defined by  $f(x) = (x, 0)$ , for each  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  is an embedding of  $\mathbb{R}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , then  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $\mathbb{R}^2$  with their respective usual topologies.
11. a) Let  $(X_1, \tau_1)$  and  $(X_2, \tau_2)$  be topological spaces and let  $(X_1 \times X_2, \tau)$  be the product space. Prove that the projections  $\pi_i : X_1 \times X_2 \rightarrow X_i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) are continuous. Also prove that the product topology is the smallest topology for which both projections are continuous.  
 b) Define the product space of a family of topological spaces  $\{(X_\alpha, \tau_\alpha) : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ . Prove that the collection of all sets of the form  $\prod_{\alpha \in \Lambda} U_\alpha$  where  $U_\alpha \in \tau_\alpha$  for each  $\alpha \in \Lambda$  and  $U_\alpha = X_\alpha$  for all but a finite number of members of  $\Lambda$  is a basis for the product topology  $\prod_{\alpha \in \Lambda} X_\alpha$ .  
 c) Prove that the product space of two Hausdorff spaces is a Hausdorff space.





12. a) Let  $(C, \tau_C)$  and  $(D, \tau_D)$  be subspaces of the topological spaces  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \tau)$  respectively. Prove that the product topology on  $C \times D$  determined by  $\tau_C$  and  $\tau_D$  is same as the subspace topology on  $C \times D$  determined by the product topology on  $X \times Y$ .
- b) Let  $\{(X_\alpha, \tau_\alpha) : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  be an indexed family of topological spaces and let  $X = \prod_{\alpha \in \Lambda} X_\alpha$ . Prove that the product space  $(X, \tau)$  is second countable if and only if  $(X_\alpha, \tau_\alpha)$  is second countable for all  $\alpha \in \Lambda$  and  $\tau_\alpha$  is the trivial topology for all but a countable number of  $\alpha$ .

### Unit – III

13. a) Prove that a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is connected if and only if no nonempty proper subset of  $X$  is both open and closed.
- b) Define fixed point property. Prove that the closed unit interval  $[0, 1]$  has the fixed point property.
- c) Let  $\tau$  be the lower limit topology on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Is  $(\mathbb{R}, \tau)$  connected? Prove your answer.
14. a) Let  $\{(X_\alpha, \tau_\alpha) : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  be a collection of topological spaces and suppose that for each  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ ,  $X_\alpha \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $X = \prod_{\alpha \in \Lambda} X_\alpha$ . Prove that the product space  $(X, \tau)$  is connected if and only if for each,  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ ,  $(X_\alpha, \tau_\alpha)$  is connected.
- b) Prove that the fixed point property is a topological invariant.
15. a) Define a pathwise connected space. Show that the topologist's sine curve is not pathwise connected.
- b) Define a locally pathwise connected space. Prove that a topological space is locally pathwise connected if and only if each path component of each open set is open.
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