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First Semester M.Sc. Degree Examination, May 2022

Mathematics

MM 214 — TOPOLOGY – I

(2020 Admission Onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 75

PART – A

Answer any **five** questions. Each question carries **3** marks.

1. Compute the distance from  $a = (-2, 1)$  and  $b = (3, 4)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  with respect to the following three metrics.
  - (a) usual metric
  - (b) taxicab metric
  - (c) max metric
2. In the plane  $\mathbb{R}^2$  describe the open ball with center 0 and radius 1 with respect to the following metrics.
  - (a) Usual metric
  - (b) Taxicab metric
3. Define metrically equivalent spaces and show that metric equivalence is an equivalence relation.

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4. Define a nowhere dense subset of a metric space and give two examples of nowhere dense sets in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .
5. Determine the smallest and largest topologies on any set  $X$ .
6. For a subset  $A$  of a topological space  $X$ , prove that  $A$  is open if and only if  $\text{bdy}(A) \subset (X - A)$ .
7. If  $\mathbb{R}$  is the space of real numbers with finite complement topology, is  $\mathbb{R}^2$  connected or disconnected? Justify your answer.
8. Find the one-point compactification of the real line  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**(5 × 3 = 15 Marks)**

### PART – B

Answer **all** questions. **Each** question carries **12** marks.

9. (A) (a) State and prove the Minkowski inequality. 6  
 (b) With usual notations prove that  $C[a, b]$  is a metric space with  $\rho$  defined by  $\rho(f, g) = \int_a^b |f(x) - g(x)| dx$ . 6

OR

- (B) (a) Prove that a sequence in a metric space cannot converge to more than one limit. 6  
 (b) If  $A$  is a subset of a metric space  $X$ , prove that  $\bar{A}$  is a closed set and is a subset of every closed set containing  $A$ . 6
10. (A) Prove that the following statements are equivalent for a function  $f$  from metric space  $(X, d)$  to metric space  $(Y, d')$  :  
 (i)  $f$  is continuous  
 (ii) For each sequence  $(x_n)$  converging to  $a$  in  $X$ ,  $(f(x_n))$  converges to  $f(a)$



(iii) For each open set  $O$  in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(O)$  is open in  $X$

(iv) For each closed set  $C$  in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(C)$  is closed in  $X$ . 12

OR

(B) (a) Show that every metric space is topologically equivalent to a bounded metric space. 6

(b) State and prove the Cantor's Intersection theorem. 6

11. (A) (a) Prove that the Hilbert space is separable. 6

(b) Prove that a family  $\mathcal{B}$  of subsets of a set  $X$  is a basis for some topology for  $X$  if and only if both of the following conditions hold :

(i) The union of the members of  $\mathcal{B}$  is  $X$

(ii) For each  $B_1, B_2$  in  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $x \in B_1 \cap B_2$  there is a member  $B_x$  of  $\mathcal{B}$  such that  $x \in B_x \subset B_1 \cap B_2$ . 6

OR

(B) (a) Prove that the following are topological properties :

(i) Separability

(ii) First Countability

(iii) Second Countability 6

(b) Define the Zariski topology. Show that  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with Zariski topology is not Hausdorff. 6

12. (A) Prove that the following statements are equivalent for a topological space  $X$

(i)  $X$  is disconnected

(ii)  $X$  is the union of two disjoint, non-empty closed sets



- (iii)  $X$  is the union of two separated sets
- (iv) There is a continuous function  $f$  from  $X$  onto a discrete two point space  $\{a, b\}$
- (v)  $X$  has a proper subset  $A$  which is both open and closed.
- (vi)  $X$  has a proper subset  $A$  such that  $\bar{A} \cap \bar{X} = \phi$ . 12

OR

- (B) (a) Prove that connected subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$  are precisely the intervals. 6
  - (b) Prove that every closed and bounded interval has the fixed point property. 6
13. (A) (a) Prove that a space  $X$  is compact every if and only if every family of closed sets in  $X$  with the finite intersection property has nonempty intersection. 6
- (b) Let  $(X, d)$  be a compact metric space,  $(Y, d')$  a metric space and  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  a continuous function. Prove that  $f$  is uniformly continuous. 6

OR

- (B) Prove that the following are equivalent for a subset  $A$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- (i)  $A$  is compact.
  - (ii)  $A$  has the Bolzano-Weierstrass property.
  - (iii)  $A$  is countably compact.
  - (iv)  $A$  is closed and bounded. 12

(5 × 12 = 60 Marks)

