

Topology

Back Paper / Supplementary Examination

Instructions: All questions carry ten marks.

1. Give an example of a function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ that is continuous at exactly two points of \mathbb{R} . Justify your answer.
2. Define *metrizable* space. Let X be a metrizable space. Prove that there always exist a bounded metric on X which induces the given topology.
3. Let Y be a totally ordered set. Define order topology on Y . Let $f, g : X \rightarrow Y$ be two continuous functions with respect to the order topology on Y . Prove that the function $h : X \rightarrow Y$, defined by

$$h(x) = \min\{f(x), g(x)\}$$

is a continuous function.

4. Let $f, g : X \rightarrow Y$ be two continuous maps between topological spaces X and Y . Prove that the set $C = \{x \in X \mid f(x) = g(x)\}$ is a closed subset of X if Y is Hausdorff.
5. Define all separation axioms (T_1 to T_4). Define first countable and second countable spaces.
6. A map $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called *locally constant* if each point x of X has an open neighbourhood such that the restriction of f to that neighbourhood is a constant map.
 - (a) Show that any locally constant map is continuous.
 - (b) Prove that a locally constant map on a connected set is a constant map.
7. Define compact space. Prove that any compact Hausdorff space is normal.
8. Prove that product of two compact spaces is compact.