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**MT 8521 – TOPOLOGY**

Time- 2 ½ hrs

Max Marks-70

This question paper contains **TWO** printed sides and **ONE** part.

**Answer any 7 questions:**

- A.** If  $A$  is a subset of a topological space  $X$ , prove that  $x \in \bar{A}$  if and only if every open set  $U$  containing  $x$  intersects  $A$ .

**B.** Let  $X = \{1,2,3\}$  and  $\mathfrak{B} = \{\{1\}, \{2,3\}, \{3\}\}$ . Show that  $\mathfrak{B}$  is a basis and find the topology generated by  $\mathfrak{B}$ . **[5m+5m]**
- A.** Define closure and interior of a set.  
If  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  and  $\tau = \{\phi, X, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{d\}, \{a, d\}, \{a, b, d\}\}$  then find

  - The interior of  $A$ , if  $A = \{a, b, c\}$
  - The closure of  $B$ , if  $B = \{d\}$

**B.** Let  $X$  be a Hausdorff space. Prove that a sequence of points in  $X$  converges to at most one point of  $X$ . **[5m+5m]**
- A.** Show that the function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $f(x) = 3x + 1$  is a homeomorphism.

**B.** If  $X$  and  $Y$  are topological spaces and if  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  then prove the following are equivalent.

  - $f$  is continuous.
  - For every subset  $A$  of  $X$ ,  $f(\bar{A}) \subset \overline{f(A)}$ .
  - For every closed set  $B$  of  $Y$ , the set  $f^{-1}(B)$  is closed in  $X$ . **[3m+7m]**
- A.** Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  and  $g: Y \rightarrow Z$  be continuous functions. Show that  $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$  is continuous.

**B.** State and prove the pasting lemma. **[3m+7m]**
- A.** Define connected space. Give an example with justification.

**B.** Prove that the union of a collection of subsets of  $X$  that have a point in common is connected. **[3m+7m]**
- A.** Show that  $(0, 1)$  is not homeomorphic to  $(0, 1]$ .

**B.** Show that a path connected set is connected.

**C.** True/False. A totally disconnected space must have the discrete topology. **[3m+5m+2m]**

7. **A.** Prove that every compact subspace of a Hausdorff space is closed.  
**B.** Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a bijective continuous function. If  $X$  is compact and  $Y$  is Hausdorff, then prove that  $f$  is homeomorphism. **[6m+4m]**
8. **A.** Show that  $\{0\} \cup \left\{\frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\right\}$  is a compact subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  with usual topology.  
**B.** Prove that the product of finitely many compact spaces is compact. **[3m+7m]**
9. **A.** Prove that a subspace of a first-countable space is first-countable.  
**B.** If  $X$  has a countable basis then prove that  
i. Every open covering of  $X$  contains a countable subcollection covering  $X$ .  
ii. There exists a countable subset of  $X$  that is dense in  $X$ . **[4m+6m]**
10. **A.** Let  $X$  be a topological space. Let one-point sets in  $X$  be closed. Prove that  $X$  is regular if and only if given a point  $x$  of  $X$  and a neighbourhood  $U$  of  $x$ , there is a neighbourhood  $V$  of  $x$  such that  $\bar{V} \subset U$ .  
**B.** Prove that every metrizable space is normal. **[5m+5m]**