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SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE

SMA 504 : TOPOLOGY

DATE: THURSDAY 5TH APRIL 2012

TIME: 9.00 A.M. – 12.00 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS

Attempt Question ONE and any other TWO Questions.

1.
 - (a)
 - (i) Define the Hausdorff property in a topological space. (1 Mark)
 - (ii) Let X be Hausdorff. If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a closed bijection, show that Y is also Hausdorff. (4 Marks)
 - (b)
 - (i) State what is meant by a regular space. (1 Mark)
 - (ii) Let Y be regular. Show that for each $y \in Y$ and nbd of U of y , there exists a nbd V of y with $y \in V \subset \bar{V} \subset U$. (4 Marks)
 - (c)
 - (i) State what is meant by a normal space. (1 Mark)
 - (ii) Let X be normal and let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a continuous closed surjection. Show that Y is normal. (4 Marks)
 - (d) Show that a discrete space is compact if and only if it is finite. (3 + 2 Marks)
 - (e) Show that the continuous image of a compact set is compact. (5 Marks)
 - (f)
 - (i) Define countable compactness. (2 Marks)
 - (ii) Give an example of countable compact space. (3 Marks)
2.
 - (a) Let Y be Hausdorff. If $p \in Y$, show that for each $q \in Y$, $p \neq q$ there exists open $U(p)$ such that $q \notin \bar{U}(p)$. (6 Marks)
 - (b) Use 2(a) or otherwise to show that for each $p \in Y$, $\bigcap \{ \bar{U} \mid U \text{ is a nbd of } p \} = \{p\}$. (7 Marks)
 - (c) Show that each finite set in a Hausdorff space is closed. (7 Marks)

3. (a) Let Y be normal. Show that for each closed $A \subset Y$ and open U , $A \subset U$ that is an open V such that $A \subset V \subset \overline{V} \subset U$. (8 Marks)
- (b) For such pair of disjoint closed sets A, B , show that there is an open U with $A \subset U$ and $\overline{U} \cap B = \emptyset$. (7 Marks)
- (c) Show that each pair of disjoint closed sets have nbds whose closures do not intersect. (5 Marks)
4. (a) Show that a space Y is compact iff the finite intersection property holds in Y . (4 + 4 Marks)
- (b) Show that a compact subset A of a Hausdorff space X is closed in X . (6 Marks)
- (c) Show that a finite union of compact subsets of a Hausdorff space is compact. (6 Marks)
5. Let X be arbitrary, Y Hausdorff and $f, g : X \rightarrow Y$ continuous.
- (a) Show that $\{x : f(x) = g(x)\}$ is closed. (8 Marks)
- (b) If $D \subset X$ is dense and $f|D = g|D$ then $f = g$ on X . (7 Marks)
- (c) (i) Define the term identification topology. (2 Marks)
- (ii) If $\gamma(p)$ is the identification topology determined by p , show that $\gamma(p)$ is a topology. (3 Marks)