

**M.Sc. DEGREE (C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, FEBRUARY 2016****First Semester**

Faculty of Science

Branch : I (A) Mathematics

**MT 01 C02—BASIC TOPOLOGY**

(2012 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum Weight : 30

**Part A***Answer any five.**Each question has weight 1.*

1. Give examples : A set that is closed in the subspace may or may not be closed in the larger space.
2. Give two topologies on a topological space which are not comparable. Justify your answer.
3. Define second countable space. Show that every second countable space is separable.
4. Find a function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  that is continuous at precisely one point.
5. Prove or disprove : The interior and boundary of a connected set are connected.
6. Prove that the union of connected subspaces is also connected if they have a common point.
7. Compare Hausdorff property and separation axioms.
8. Prove that a topological space  $X$  is  $T_2$  if and only if every singleton set  $\{x\}$  is closed in  $X$ .

(5 × 1 = 5)

**Part B***Answer any five.**Each question has weight 2.*

9. Show that finite intersection of open sets is open and arbitrary intersection of open sets need not be open.
10. Explain : Axiomatic characterisation of closure operators. Also give an example of dense set.
11. Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a function from one topological space to another. Establish three equivalent conditions for  $f$  to be a homeomorphism.
12. Obtain the relationship between a compact subset and a compact space.

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13. Prove that the complement of  $Q \times Q$  in the plane  $R^2$  is connected. Also explain a chain connected metric space.
14. Define locally connected space and quotient space. Also show that every quotient space of a locally connected space is locally connected.
15. Explain the hierarchy of separation axioms.
16. Define Hausdorff space with two examples. Also prove that compact subsets in Hausdorff space are closed.

(5 × 2 = 10)

### Part C

*Answer any three.*

*Each question has weight 5.*

17. (a) For a subset  $A$  of a space  $X$  prove  $\bar{A} = A \cup A'$ .  
 (b) Characterise open sets (i.e., those which are both closed and open) in terms of boundaries.  
 (c) Characterise an open set of a topological space.
18. (a) Prove that every closed surjective map is a quotient map.  
 (b) Every continuous real-valued function on a compact space is bounded and attains its extrema. Prove.  
 (c) Explain : standard compactness argument.
19. (a) Prove that every continuous image of a compact space is compact.  
 (b) Show that compactness property is weakly hereditary.  
 (c) If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is continuous, show that its graph is homeomorphic to  $X$ .
20. (a) Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a continuous surjection prove, if  $X$  is connected then so is  $Y$ .  
 (b) Show that  $[0, 1]$  is compact.
21. (a) Give example of a space which is regular but not completely regular. Prove your result.  
 (b) Prove that every compact Hausdorff space is normal.
22. Prove that every regular Lindeloff space is normal.

(5 × 3 = 15)