

(b) If f is a one-to-one continuous mapping of a compact metric space (X, d_X) onto a metric space (Y, d_Y) , then show that f^{-1} is continuous on Y and hence, f is a homeomorphism of (X, d_X) onto (Y, d_Y) . (6.5)

(c) If the real-valued function f is continuous on the closed bounded interval $[a, b]$, then prove that f is uniformly continuous on $[a, b]$. (6.5)

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1. (a) (i) Define a metric space. Show that the non-negativity metric axiom is implied by the other metric axioms of coincidence, symmetry and triangle inequality.

- (ii) Let X be a non-empty set.

Define for $x, y \in X$

$$d(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = y \\ \sqrt{2} & \text{if } x \neq y \end{cases}$$

Prove that d is a metric on X . (3+3)

- (b) (i) Find the open ball in $C_R[0, 1]$ centred at $f(t) = t^2$ of radius 1. Give its geometrical interpretation.
- (ii) Show that $(3, 5)$ is an open ball in R . Find its centre and radius. (4+2)

- (b) Let (X, d_x) be a connected metric space and $f: (X, d_x) \rightarrow (Y, d_y)$ be a continuous mapping. Then show that the space $f(X)$ with the metric induced from Y is connected. (6)

- (c) Prove that the intervals are connected sets in (R, d) , the metric space of real numbers with the usual metric. (6)

6. (a) Let (X, d) be a metric space. Then prove that the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) (X, d) is compact;
- (ii) every collection of closed sets in (X, d) with empty intersection has a finite subcollection with empty intersection;
- (iii) every collection of closed sets in (X, d) with the finite intersection property has nonempty intersection. (6.5)

(c) Let T be a continuous mapping of a complete metric space into itself. Define T^n inductively by $T^1 = T$ and $T^{n+1} = T \circ T^n$. If T^k is a contraction for some positive integer k , then the equation $Tx = x$ has one and only one solution. Moreover, for any $x \in X$, the sequence $\{T^n x\}_{n \geq 1}$ converges to that solution. (6.5)

5. (a) Let (X, d) be a metric space. Then show that the following statements are equivalent:

(i) (X, d) is disconnected;

(ii) There exist two nonempty disjoint subsets A and B , both open in X , such that $X = A \cup B$;

(iii) There exist two nonempty disjoint subsets A and B , both closed in X , such that $X = A \cup B$.

(iv) There exists a proper subset of X that is both open and closed in X . (6)

(c) Suppose $X = C_R[a, b]$, the set of all continuous functions from $[a, b]$ to $\mathbb{R}$ and $d(f, g) = \sup\{|f(x) - g(x)| : x \in [a, b]; a < b\}$ be the associated metric. Then prove that (X, d) is a complete metric space. (6)

2. (a) (i) Suppose (X, d) is a metric space and F is a finite subset of X . Prove that the derived set F' of F is empty.

(ii) Let A be a finite subset of $\mathbb{R}$ with usual metric. Is A open in $\mathbb{R}$? Justify your answer. If not, then give an example of a metric space in which a finite set may be open. (2.5+4)

(b) (i) Consider the subspace $X = I \cup J$ of $\mathbb{R}$, where $I =]0, 1[$ and $J = [4, 7[$. Show that $d(\sup_x I, J) > 0$.

(ii) Find the interior and derived sets of Z and Q in $\mathbb{R}$ with usual metric. Determine which one of these sets is open or closed or none in $\mathbb{R}$. Justify your answer. (2.5+4)

- (c) (i) Is $Q \cup \{\sqrt{2}\}$ dense in $\mathbb{R}$ with usual metric?

Justify your answer.

- (ii) Give an example of a set which is open in a subspace Y of a metric space (X, d) but not open in X . Under what condition every open set in a subspace Y of a metric space (X, d) is open in X ? Justify your answer.

(2+4.5)

3. (a) Prove that a mapping $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous on X if and only if $f^{-1}(G)$ is open in X for all open subsets G of Y . (6)

- (b) Define a uniformly continuous function on a metric space. Prove that the function $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(x) = x^2$ is not uniformly continuous, whereas the function $f: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(x) = x^2$ is uniformly continuous. (6)

- (c) Let f be an isometry between metric spaces (X_1, d_1) and (X_2, d_2) . Show that f is a homeomorphism between X_1 and X_2 . Is the converse true? Justify your answer. (6)

4. (a) Show that the metrics d_1 , d_2 and d_∞ defined on $\mathbb{R}^n$ by

$$d_1(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i - y_i|;$$

$$d_2(x, y) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i - y_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}; \text{ and}$$

$$d_\infty(x, y) = \max \{|x_i - y_i| : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$$

are equivalent. (6.5)

- (b) Let $X = [0, 2\pi] \subset \mathbb{R}$ and $Y = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| = 1\}$, the unit circle in the complex plane. Consider the map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ defined by $f(t) = e^{it}$, $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$. Show that the function f is one-to-one, onto, continuous but not a homeomorphism. (6.5)