

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES
CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY

BASIC EXAMINATION
GENERAL TOPOLOGY
AUGUST 2017

Time allowed: 3 hours.

Name: _____

Problem	Points
1 (20)	
2 (20)	
3 (20)	
4 (20)	
5 (20)	
Total (100)	

1. Consider the following topological space. Let $I = [0;1]$ and let $X = I \cup \{f;g\}$. Let

$$B = \{B(x;r) \cap I \mid x \in I; r > 0\} \cup \{f;g\}$$

Here $B(x;r)$ is the interval $(x - r; x + r) \cap I$. We note that B is a basis of topology; call it \mathcal{B} . Show that

- (i) $(X; \mathcal{B})$ is compact.
- (ii) $(X; \mathcal{B})$ is normal.
- (iii) $(X; \mathcal{B})$ is first countable, but not second countable.

2. Let $Y = \prod_{x \in [0,1]} \mathbb{R}$ (that is $Y = \mathbb{R}^{[0,1]}$). Consider the product topology on Y . Consider the subset E of Y that consists of all functions f that

3. Let $(X; \tau_X)$ and $(Y; \tau_Y)$ be topological spaces and let τ be the product topology on $X \times Y$. Show that if X and Y are compact spaces then the product $(X \times Y; \tau)$ is compact too.

4. Let $(X; \tau)$ be a separable normal topological space and let $A \subseteq X$ be closed. Show that if the induced topology on A is discrete then A is at most countable.

5. Let $f \in C([0; 1]; \mathbb{R})$ be such that

$$\int_0^1 f(x)x^{2n} dx = 0$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ [$f \neq 0$]. Show that $f(x) = 0$ for all $x \in [0; 1]$.

[Hint: Show that f can be approximated by polynomials of the form $P_n(x^2)$ (so only even powers are used). Then consider $\int_0^1 (f(x) - P_n(x^2))^2 dx$.]

