

**Dr. Zenor's study help for MH 650-2**

**Definition 1** Let  $X$  be a point set. The ordered pair  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  is called a topological space if

1.  $\mathcal{T}$  is a collection of subsets of  $X$ .
2.  $X$  is in  $\mathcal{T}$  and the empty set is in  $\mathcal{T}$ .
3.  $\mathcal{T}$  is closed under unions and finite intersections.

The members of  $\mathcal{T}$  are called open sets.

**Definition 2**  $P$  is a limit point of the set  $H$  if every open set containing  $P$  contains a point of  $H$  distinct from  $P$ .

A set  $H$  is closed provided it contains all of its limit points.

The interior of a set  $H$  is the union of all open subsets of  $H$ . The set  $N$  is a neighborhood of the point  $x$  if  $x$  is in the interior of  $N$ .

**Question 1** Must a finite set be closed?

**Theorem 1** The union of two closed sets is closed.

**Theorem 2** If  $\mathcal{H}$  is a collection of closed sets with a common part, then that common part is closed.

**Definition 3** A point  $P$  is a boundary point of the set  $H$  provided that every open set containing  $P$  contains a point in  $H$  and a point in  $X - H$ .

**Theorem 3** If  $R$  is an open set and  $p$  is in  $R$ , then  $p$  is not a boundary point of  $R$ .

**Question 2** Must the common part of a collection of open sets be open?

**Question 3** If a set is not open, must it be closed.

**Definition 4** If  $H$  is a set, then the closure of  $H$  is  $H$  together with all of its limit points. We will denote the closure of  $H$  by  $cl(H)$ .

**Theorem 4** If  $H$  is a set, then  $cl(H)$  is closed.

**Definition 5** The space  $X$  is  $T_1$  if  $p$  and  $q$  are distinct points, then there is an open containing  $p$  but not  $q$ .

**Theorem 5** Finite subsets of a  $T_1$  space are closed.

**Definition 5.5:** Suppose that  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  is a topological space and  $\mathcal{B}$  is a subset of  $\mathcal{T}$  such that if  $U$  is an open set containing the point  $p$ , then there is a member  $B$  of  $\mathcal{B}$  such that  $p \in B \subset U$ . Then  $\mathcal{B}$  is called a *basis* for  $\mathcal{T}$ .

**Question 4** Is  $cl(H) \cup cl(K) = cl(H \cup K)$ ?

Question: Is  $cl(H) \cap cl(K) = cl(H \cap K)$ ?

**Definition 6** The space  $X$  is Hausdorff if it is true that if  $p$  and  $q$  are distinct points, then there are mutually exclusive open sets  $U$  and  $V$  such that  $p \in U$  and  $q \in V$ .

**Question 5** *Is there a  $T_1$ -space that is not Hausdorff?*

Unless otherwise stated, we will assume that our topological spaces are Hausdorff.

**Definition 7** *The collection of sets  $\mathcal{U}$  covers the set  $H$  if each point of  $H$  is contained in a member of  $\mathcal{U}$ .*

**Definition 8** *The set  $H$  is compact if it is true that whenever  $\mathcal{U}$  is a collection of open sets covering  $H$ , then some finite subcollection of  $\mathcal{U}$  covers  $H$ .*

**Theorem 6** *If  $H$  is a compact subset of  $X$ , then  $H$  is closed.*

**Theorem 7** *If  $H$  is a compact subset of  $X$ , then every infinite subset of  $H$  has a limit point.*

**Definition 9** *The collection of sets  $\mathcal{H}$  is centered if every finite subcollection of  $\mathcal{H}$  has a point in common.*

**Theorem 8** *The set  $H$  is compact if and only if every centered collection of closed subsets of  $H$  has a nonempty intersection.*

**Definition 10** *The collection of sets  $\mathcal{H}$  is monotone if whenever  $A$  and  $B$  are in  $\mathcal{H}$ , then one is a subset of the other.*

**Theorem 9** *The space  $X$  is compact if and only if every monotone collection of nonempty closed subsets of  $X$  has a nonempty intersection.*

**Question 6** *If every infinite subset of  $X$  has a limit point, must  $X$  be compact?*

**AXIOM** Every set can be well ordered.

**Question 7** *Is  $\omega_1$  compact?*

**Question 8** *Is  $\omega_1 + 1$  compact?*

**Definition 11** *A metric function on a set  $X$  is a function  $\rho : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that*

1.  $\rho(x, y) = 0$  if and only if  $x = y$ .
2.  $\rho(x, y) = \rho(y, x)$
3.  $\rho(x, y) \leq \rho(x, z) + \rho(z, y)$ .

*A metric space is an ordered pair  $(X, \rho)$ , where  $\rho$  is a metric function on  $X$ . We will speak of a metric space  $X$  with the existence of the metric function  $\rho$  understood.*

*If  $\rho$  is a metric function on  $X$  and  $x \in X$ , then we will denote by  $B_\epsilon(x)$  the set  $\{y \in X \mid \rho(x, y) < \epsilon\}$ . We will say that the topological space  $X$  is metrizable provided that there is metric  $\rho$  on  $X$ , such that  $\{B_\epsilon(x) \mid x \in X \text{ and } \epsilon > 0\}$  is a basis for the topology on  $X$ .*

*If  $p$  is a point in the metric space  $X$  and  $H$  is a subset of  $X$ , then  $p$  is a limit point of  $H$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a point  $q$  of  $H$  such that  $0 < \rho(p, q) < \epsilon$ .*

**Question 9** *How many functions are there from  $\omega$  into  $\omega$ ?*

**Definition 12** *A space  $X$  is regular ( $T_3$ ) if whenever  $U$  is an open set containing the point  $p$ , there is an open set  $V$  containing  $p$  such that  $\text{cl}(V) \subset U$ .*

**Definition 13** The space  $X$  is locally compact provided that for every  $p$  in  $X$ , there is an open set  $U$  containing  $p$  such that  $cl(U)$  is compact

**Theorem 10** A locally compact Hausdorff space is regular.

**Theorem 11** If  $H$  and  $K$  are mutually exclusive compact subsets of  $X$ , then there are mutually exclusive open sets, one containing  $H$  and the other containing  $K$ .

**Theorem 12** The plane is locally compact.

**Question 10** Is  $\omega_1$  locally compact?

**Definition 14** A space  $X$  is Lindelöf if every open cover of  $X$  has a countable subcover.

**Definition 15** The space  $X$  is normal if whenever  $H$  and  $K$  are mutually exclusive closed sets, there are mutually exclusive open sets  $U$  and  $V$  such that  $H \subset U$  and  $K \subset V$ .

**Theorem 13** Every regular Lindelöf space is normal

**Theorem 14** Every metrizable space is normal.

**Definition 16** If  $X$  and  $Y$  are topological spaces, then the function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is continuous provided that if  $U$  is an open set in  $Y$  containing  $f(p)$ , then there is an open set  $V$  in  $X$  containing  $p$  such that  $f(V) \subset U$ .

**Theorem 15** The space is normal if and only if it is true that if  $H$  and  $K$  are mutually exclusive closed sets, then there is a continuous function  $f : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  such that  $H \subset f^{-1}(0)$  and  $K \subset f^{-1}(1)$ .

**Theorem 16** If  $X$  is normal,  $H$  is a closed subset of  $X$ , and  $f : H \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is continuous, then there is a continuous  $F : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  such that  $f(x) = F(x)$  for every  $x$  in  $H$ .

**Definition 17** The set  $H \subset X$  is dense in  $X$  if  $X = cl(H)$ . The space  $X$  is separable if there is a countable dense subset of  $X$ .

**Theorem 17** If  $X$  is metrizable, then the following are equivalent:

1.  $X$  is Lindelöf.
2.  $X$  has a countable basis.
3. Every uncountable subset of  $X$  has a limit point.
4.  $X$  is separable.
5. Every uncountable subset of  $X$  has a limit point in itself.

**Theorem 18** If  $X$  is metrizable, then the subset  $K$  of  $X$  is compact if and only if  $K$  is closed and every infinite subset of  $K$  has a limit point.

**Definition 18** The subset  $H$  of  $X$  is a zero set if there is a continuous function  $f : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that  $H = f^{-1}(0)$ .

**Theorem 19** If  $H$  is a zero set in  $X$ , then  $H$  is closed.

**Theorem 20** *If  $X$  is metrizable then every closed subset of  $X$  is a zero set.*

**Question 11** *Must the common part of two zero sets be a zero set?*

**Question 12** *Must the union of two zero sets be a zero set?*

**Question 13** *Is every subset of a Lindelöf space Lindelöf?*

The Tangent circle space.  $X = \{(x, y) \in \mathcal{R}^2 | y \geq 0\}$  If  $y > 0$ , then a basic open set containing  $(x, y)$  is the interior of a disk containing  $(x, y)$ . If  $y = 0$ , and if  $\epsilon > 0$ , then  $\{(u, v) : \rho((u, v), (x, \epsilon)) < \epsilon\} \cup \{(x, 0)\}$  is a basic open set containing  $(x, 0)$ .

Sorgenfrey's line: The real line where basic open sets are sets of the form  $[a, b)$ .

**Question 14** *Which of the following properties does the Tangent Circle space have:*

1. *Separable?*
2. *Lindelöf?*
3. *Normal?*
4. *Regular?*
5. *Completely regular?*
6. *Locally compact?*
7. *Developable?*
8. *Strongly developable?*
9. *Metrizable?*
10. *Paracompact?*
11. *Countable basis?*

**Question 15** *Which of the following properties does the Sorgenfrey line have:*

1. *Separable?*
2. *Lindelöf?*
3. *Normal?*
4. *Regular?*
5. *Completely regular?*
6. *Locally compact?*
7. *Developable?*
8. *Strongly developable?*
9. *Metrizable?*
10. *Paracompact?*

11. Countable basis?

**Question 16** If  $A$  is a well-ordered set and  $A' = a_1 > a_2 > \dots$  is a subset of  $A$ , then how large (in cardinality) can  $A$  be? (i.e., can it be infinite?).

**Definition 19** A set  $H \subset X$  is a  $G_\delta$ -set provided that there is a sequence of open sets  $U_1, U_2, \dots$  such that  $H = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} U_i$ .  $H \subset X$  is a regular  $G_\delta$ -set provided that there is a sequence of open sets  $U_1, U_2, \dots$  such that  $H = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} U_i = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} \bar{U}_i$ .

**Definition 20** The space  $X$  is perfectly normal if  $X$  is normal and each closed subset of  $X$  is a  $G_\delta$ -set.

**Theorem 21** The continuous image of a compact space is compact.

**Theorem 22** The following statements are equivalent:

1.  $X$  is perfectly normal.
2. every closed subset of  $X$  is a regular  $G_\delta$ -set.
3. Every closed subset of  $X$  is a zero set.

**Definition 21** If  $\mathcal{U}$  and  $\mathcal{V}$  are collections of sets, then  $\mathcal{U}$  refines  $\mathcal{V}$  if for every  $U \in \mathcal{U}$  there is a  $V \in \mathcal{V}$  such that  $U \subset V$ .

**Definition 22** The collection of sets  $\mathcal{U}$  is locally finite if, for every  $x$ , there is an open set  $W$  containing  $x$  such that  $\{U \in \mathcal{U} | W \cap U\}$  is finite.

**Definition 23** The space  $X$  is paracompact if for each open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $X$ , there is a locally finite open refinement of  $\mathcal{U}$  covering  $X$ .

**Theorem 23** Every metric space is paracompact.

**Theorem 24** Every paracompact space is normal.

**Theorem 25** Every regular Lindelöf space is paracompact.

**Theorem 26** The space  $X$  is compact if and only if every infinite subset of  $X$  has a limit point and  $X$  is paracompact.

**Theorem 27** The regular space  $X$  is Lindelöf if and only if every uncountable subset of  $X$  has a limit point and  $X$  is paracompact.

**Question 17** Which of the following properties does  $\omega_1$  have:

1. Separable?
2. Lindelöf?
3. Paracompact?
4. Normal?
5. Perfectly normal?
6. Locally compact?

7. Developable?

8. Strongly developable?

**Theorem 28** Suppose that  $f : \omega_1 \rightarrow \omega_1$  is such that  $f(\alpha) < \alpha$  for all  $\alpha \in \omega_1$ . Then there is a  $\gamma$  such that  $f(\alpha) = \gamma$  for uncountably many  $\alpha$ .

**Question 18** Is every subspace of a paracompact space paracompact?

**Definition 24** The sets  $H$  and  $K$  are mutually separated if  $\bar{H} \cap K = H \cap \bar{K} = \emptyset$ .

The set  $H$  is connected if it is not the sum of two non-empty mutually separated sets. A compact and connected set is called a continuum.

If  $H$  and  $K$  are sets, then the continuum  $C$  is irreducible from  $H$  to  $K$  if  $C$  intersects both  $H$  and  $K$  and no proper subcontinuum intersects both  $H$  and  $K$ .

If  $H$  is a set and  $x \in H$ , then the component of  $x$  in  $H$  is the union of all the connected subsets of  $H$  that contains  $x$ .

**Theorem 29** If  $\mathcal{H}$  is a collection of connected sets with a point in common, then  $\cup \mathcal{H}$  is connected.

**Theorem 30** The continuous image of a connected set is connected.

**Theorem 31** If  $\mathcal{H}$  is a monotonic collection of continua, then  $\cap \mathcal{H}$  is connected.

**Theorem 32** If  $C$  is irreducible from the closed sets  $H$  and  $K$ , then every point of  $H \cap C$  is a limit point of  $C - H$ .

**Theorem 33** If  $C$  is connected, then  $\bar{C}$  is connected.

**Theorem 34** Suppose that  $H$  and  $K$  are mutually exclusive closed subsets of the compact set  $M$  and  $M$  cannot be divided into mutually exclusive closed sets  $A$  and  $B$ , one containing  $H$  and the other containing  $K$ . Then  $M$  contains a continuum  $C$  which is irreducible from  $H$  to  $K$ .

**Theorem 35** Suppose that  $C$  is a continuum,  $U$  is an open set containing  $x \in C$ , where  $C - U \neq \emptyset$ , and  $K$  is the component of  $x$  in  $C \cap U$ . The the boundary of  $U$  contains a limit point of  $K$ .

**Definition 25** If  $X$  and  $Y$  are topological spaces, then  $\mathcal{B} = \{U \times V \mid U \text{ is open in } X \text{ and } V \text{ is open in } Y\}$  is a basis for the product topology on  $X \times Y$ .

**Question 19** If  $X$  and  $Y$  have property  $\mathcal{P}$ , then must  $X \times Y$  have property  $\mathcal{P}$ ?

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|---|-------------------------------------|
| a. $\mathcal{P}$ : Compact                            | b. $\mathcal{P}$ : connected?       |
| c. $\mathcal{P}$ : normal?                            | d. $\mathcal{P}$ : Lindelöf?        |
| e. $\mathcal{P}$ : paracompact?                       | f. $\mathcal{P}$ : metrizable?      |
| g. $\mathcal{P}$ : countable bases?                   | h. $\mathcal{P}$ : separable?       |
| i. $\mathcal{P}$ : regular?                           | j. $\mathcal{P}$ : Hausdorff?       |
| k. $\mathcal{P}$ : Completely regular?                | l. $\mathcal{P}$ : locally compact? |
| m. $\mathcal{P}$ : closed sets are $G_\delta$ -sets.? | n. $\mathcal{P}$ : developable?     |
| o. $\mathcal{P}$ : strongly developable.              |                                     |

**Definition 26** A set  $H$  is perfect if every point of  $H$  is a limit point of  $H$ .

**Theorem 36** Every compact, perfect space is uncountable.

**Theorem 37** Suppose that  $C$  is a compact, perfect, metric space with a basis of open and closed sets. Then  $C$  is homeomorphic to the Cantor set.

**Question 20** *Is the product of the Cantor set with itself homeomorphic to the Cantor set?*

**Question 21** *Is every ordered space normal?*

**Definition 27** *Suppose that  $(X, \rho)$  is a metric space and that  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence of points in  $X$ . Then  $\{x_n\}$  is Cauchy if, for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is an integer  $N$  such that if  $n > N$  and  $m > N$ , then  $\rho(x_n, x_m) < \epsilon$ . The space  $X$  is completely metrizable if there is a metric  $\rho$  on  $X$ , compatible with the topology on  $X$ , such that every Cauchy sequence converges.*

**Theorem 38** *Every compact metrizable space is completely metrizable.*

**Definition 28** *The set  $H \subset X$  is nowhere dense provided that  $\bar{H}$  contains no open set.*

**Theorem 39** *If  $H \subset X$  is nowhere dense, then  $X - \bar{H}$  is a dense open set.*

**Theorem 40** *If  $X$  is completely metrizable, then  $X$  is not the sum of countably many nowhere dense sets.*

**Theorem 41** *If  $X$  is locally compact, then  $X$  is not the sum of countably many nowhere dense sets.*

**Theorem 42** *If  $X$  a  $G_\delta$ -set in a compact space, then  $X$  is not the sum of countably many nowhere dense sets.*

**Definition 29** *The space  $X$  is completely regular provided that if  $U$  is an open set containing  $x \in X$ , there is a continuous function  $f : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  such that  $f(x) = 0$  and  $(X - U) \subset f^{-1}(1)$ .*

**Definition 30** *The space  $X$  is developable if there is a sequence  $\mathcal{G}_1, \mathcal{G}_2, \dots$  of collections of open sets covering  $X$  such that*

1.  $\mathcal{G}_{n+1} \subset \mathcal{G}_n$  for each  $n$ .
2. If  $U$  is an open set containing  $x$ , then there is an  $n$  such that if  $x \in G \in \mathcal{G}_n$ , then  $G \subset U$ .

*The sequence  $\mathcal{G}_1, \mathcal{G}_2, \dots$  is called a development for the topology on  $X$ .*

*The space  $X$  is strongly developable if there is a development  $\mathcal{G}_1, \mathcal{G}_2, \dots$  for  $X$  such that if  $U$  is an open set containing  $x$ , then there is an  $n$  such that if  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  are in  $\mathcal{G}_n$ ,  $x \in G_1$  and  $G_1 \cap G_2 \neq \emptyset$ , then  $G_1 \cup G_2 \subset U$ .*

**Theorem 43** *If  $H$  is a subset of the developable space  $X$ , then  $H$  is compact if and only if  $H$  is closed and every infinite subset of  $H$  has a limit point.*

**Theorem 44** *The developable space  $X$  is Lindelöf if and only if every uncountable subset of  $X$  has a limit point.*

**Theorem 45** *If  $X$  is strongly developable, then  $X$  is normal.*

**Exercise 1** *Let  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_\alpha | \alpha < \gamma\}$  be a well ordered open cover of the developable space  $X$ . Let  $\{\mathcal{G}_n\}$  be a development for  $X$ . For each  $n$  and for each  $\alpha < \gamma$ , let  $H_{(\alpha, n)} = \{x \in U_\alpha | \text{st}(x, \mathcal{G}_n) \subset U_\alpha\}$  and let  $K_{(\alpha, n)} = H_{(\alpha, n)} - \cup_{\beta < \alpha} U_\beta$ . Show that*

1. Show that  $\mathcal{K} = \{K_{(\alpha, n)} | n < \omega, \alpha < \beta\}$  covers  $X$ .
2. Show that  $\mathcal{K} = \{K_{(\alpha, n)} | n < \omega, \alpha < \beta\}$  refines  $\mathcal{U}$ .

3. Show that for each  $n$ , if  $A \subset \beta$ , then  $\cup\{K_{(\alpha,n)}|\alpha \in A\}$  is closed.

4. Show that for each  $n$ , if  $\alpha_1 \neq \alpha_2$ , then  $K_{(\alpha_1,n)} \cap K_{(\alpha_2,n)} = \emptyset$ .

**Exercise 2** Suppose that  $H$  and  $K$  are mutually exclusive closed sets and  $\{U_n\}_{n<\omega}$  and  $\{V_n\}_{n<\omega}$  are open covers of  $H$  and  $K$ , respectively, such that, for each  $n$ ,  $\bar{U}_n \cap K = \emptyset$  and  $\bar{V}_n \cap H = \emptyset$ . Then there are mutually exclusive open sets  $U$  and  $V$ , with  $H \subset U$  and  $K \subset V$ .

**Definition 31** The space  $X$  is collectionwise normal if it is true that if  $\mathcal{H}$  is a discrete collection of closed sets, then there is a collection of mutually exclusive open sets  $\{O(H)|H \in \mathcal{H}\}$  such that  $H \subset O(H)$ .

**Theorem 46** A paracompact space is collectionwise normal.

**Theorem 47** A strongly developable space is collectionwise normal.

**Theorem 48** If  $X$  is collectionwise normal and  $\mathcal{H}$  is a discrete collection of closed sets, then there is a discrete collection of open sets  $\{O(H)|H \in \mathcal{H}\}$  such that  $H \subset O(H)$ , for each  $H \in \mathcal{H}$ .

**Theorem 49** A strongly developable space is paracompact.

**Theorem 50** A strongly developable space is metrizable.

**Definition 32**  $H \subset X$  is a retract of  $X$  if there is a continuous function  $r : X \rightarrow H$  such that  $r(x) = x$  for all  $x \in H$ .

**Theorem 51** A retract of  $X$  is closed.

**Lemma:** If  $X$  is normal and  $I$  is a homeomorphic image of  $[0,1]$  lying in  $X$ , then  $I$  is a retract of  $X$ .

**Theorem 52** If  $K$  is a homeomorphic copy of  $[0,1]^n$  lying in the normal space  $X$ , then  $K$  is a retract of  $X$ .

**Definiton A 1** Given that  $f, g : [0, 1] \rightarrow X$  are continuous functions such that  $f(0) = f(1) = p_0 = g(0) = g(1)$  then  $f \sim g$  means that there is a continuous function  $F : [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow X$  such that  $F(x, 0) = f(x)$  and  $F(x, 1) = g(x)$  and  $F(0, x) = F(1, x) = p_0$ .

**Theorem A 1**  $f \sim g$  is an equivalence relation.

**Definiton A 2**  $[f \oplus g] = [f] \oplus [g]$  where  $f \oplus g = \begin{cases} f(2x) & 0 \leq x \leq 1/2 \\ g(2x - 1) & 1/2 \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$

**Theorem A 2**  $[f] \oplus [id] = [f]$ .

**Question A 1**  $[f \oplus g] = [g \oplus f]$ ?

**Question A 2** What does  $[-f]$  equal?

**Theorem A 3** Show that  $[f] \oplus [g] = [f \oplus g]$  is well-defined.

**Theorem A 4** If  $f \sim -f$  then  $f \sim id$ .

**Theorem A 5** The operation  $\oplus$  is associative.

**Theorem A 6**  $[f] \oplus [-f] = [id]$  and  $[-f] \oplus [f] = [id]$ .

**Theorem A 7** If  $H$  is a retract of  $Y$  and  $x_0 \in H$  then  $H_1(X, x_0)$  is epimorphic to  $H_1(H, x_0)$ .

**Theorem A 8**  $H_1(X, x_0) \oplus H_1(Y, y_0)$  is isomorphic to  $H_1(X \times Y, (x_0, y_0))$ .