

**Problem 1.** Prove that composition of continuous functions is continuous.

**Problem 2.** Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a function between topological spaces. Prove that the following are equivalent

1.  $f$  is continuous
2.  $f^{-1}(C) \subseteq X$  is closed for every closed set  $C \subseteq Y$ .
3. If  $\mathcal{S}$  is a subbasis for the topology of  $Y$ , then  $f^{-1}(S) \subseteq X$  is open for every  $S \in \mathcal{S}$ .

**Problem 3.** Let  $\{(X_i, \mathcal{T}_i) \mid i \in \Lambda\}$  be a collection of topological spaces and let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space. Prove that a function  $f: (X, \mathcal{T}) \rightarrow (\prod_{i \in \Lambda} X_i, \mathcal{T}_{\text{prod}})$  is continuous if and only if, for all  $j \in \Lambda$ , the coordinate function  $f_j: (X, \mathcal{T}) \rightarrow (X_j, \mathcal{T}_j)$  is continuous.<sup>1</sup>

**Problem 4.** We say that a function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  between topological spaces is *open* if  $f(U) \subseteq Y$  is open for every open  $U \subseteq X$ .

1. Assume that  $\mathcal{B}$  is a basis for the topology of  $X$ . Prove that  $f$  is open if and only if  $f(B) \subseteq Y$  is open for every  $B \in \mathcal{B}$ .
2. Assume that  $f$  is bijective. Prove that  $f$  is open if and only if  $f^{-1}: Y \rightarrow X$  is continuous.

**Problem 5.** Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a continuous function between topological spaces. Let  $A \subseteq X$  and  $B \subseteq Y$  be subspaces. Prove **two** of the following.

1. The induced topology on  $A$  is the coarsest topology on  $A$  such that the inclusion  $\iota_A: A \rightarrow X$  is continuous.
2. The restriction  $f|_A: A \rightarrow Y$  is continuous.
3. If  $f(X) \subseteq B$ , then corestriction  $f|_B: X \rightarrow B$  is continuous.

**Problem 6.** Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a function between topological spaces. Assume that  $\{U_i \mid i \in \Lambda\}$  is a collection of open sets in  $X$  such that  $X = \bigcup_{i \in \Lambda} U_i$ . Prove that  $f$  is continuous if and only if, for all  $i \in \Lambda$ , the restriction  $f|_{U_i}: U_i \rightarrow Y$  is continuous.

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<sup>1</sup>This means that the product topology is better than the box topology from a categorical perspective.