

Math 190: Fall 2014
Homework 8
Due 5:00pm on Friday 12/12/2014

Problem 1: (Exercise 30.4 in Munkres) Prove that every compact metrizable space X has a countable basis (i.e., is second countable). (Hint: Consider finite coverings \mathcal{A}_n of X by balls of radius $1/n$.)

Problem 2: Let X be a metrizable space which has a countable dense subset (i.e., is separable). Show that X has a countable basis.

Problem 3: Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a continuous surjection. If X is Lindelöf, prove that Y is Lindelöf.

Problem 4: (Exercise 31.1 in Munkres) If X is regular, show that every pair of points in X have neighborhoods whose closures are disjoint.

Problem 5: (Exercise 31.2 in Munkres) If X is normal, show that every pair of disjoint closed sets in X have neighborhoods whose closures are disjoint.

Problem 6: (Exercise 31.3 in Munkres) Show that every order topology is regular.

Problem 7: (Exercise 32.1 in Munkres) Show that a closed subspace of a normal space is normal.

Problem 8: (Exercise 32.3 in Munkres) Show that every locally compact Hausdorff space X is regular. (Hint: Imbed X in its one-point compactification, which is compact Hausdorff and hence regular.)

Problem 9: Let M denote the Möbius band and let D denote the disk $\{(x, y) : x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$ in \mathbb{R}^2 . Let \sim denote the equivalence relation on $M \amalg D$ obtained by identifying a point on the boundary circle of M with the corresponding point on the boundary circle of D . Prove that the quotient space $(M \amalg D)/\sim$ is homeomorphic to 2-dimensional real projective space P^2 . (Hint: Think of P^2 as the sphere S^2 with antipodal points identified. Consider the ‘arctic circle’ $C = S^2 \cap \{z = 1/2\}$ and the corresponding ‘antarctic circle’ $C' = S^2 \cap \{z = -1/2\}$. Consider equivalence classes of points in the polar and tropical regions.)