

**HOMEWORK 2 – MATH 4341**  
**DUE DATE: WEDNESDAY 09/06/2023**

**Problem 1.** Suppose  $X$  is a finite set of cardinality  $n$ . Show that  $\mathcal{P}(X)$ , the power set of  $X$ , is a finite set of cardinality  $2^n$ .

**Problem 2.** Describe all topologies on the set  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ . Justify your answer.

**Problem 3.** Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be the set of all irrational numbers. We define  $\mathcal{T}$  to be the collection of all subsets  $U$  of  $\mathcal{I}$  such that either  $U = \emptyset$  or  $\mathcal{I} \setminus U$  is countable. Show that  $\mathcal{T}$  is a topology on  $\mathcal{I}$ .

**Problem 4.** Let

$$\mathcal{B}_\ell = \{[a, b) \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

Show that  $\mathcal{B}_\ell$  is a basis for a topology on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**Problem 5.** Let  $K = \{1/n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\} \subset \mathbb{R}$  and let

$$\mathcal{B}_K = \{(a, b) \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\} \cup \{(a, b) \setminus K \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

Show that  $\mathcal{B}_K$  is a basis for a topology on  $\mathbb{R}$ .