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MAIN CAMPUS

COURSE CODE: SMA 805

COURSE TITLE: General Topology I

EXAM VENUE: STREAM: (MSc. PURE MATHEMATICS)

DATE: EXAM SESSION: 2.00 – 5.00 PM

TIME: 3.00 HOURS

Instructions:

- 1. Answer any THREE questions only.**
- 2. Candidates are advised not to write on the question paper.**
- 3. Candidates must hand in their answer booklets to the invigilator while in the examination room.**

QUESTION ONE 20 MARKS

- a) If $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and τ is a topology on X , with $\{a\} \in \tau$, $\{b\} \in \tau$ and $\{c\} \in \tau$. Prove that τ is a discrete topology. (7 marks)**
- b) Let (X, τ) be any topological space. Verify that the intersection of any finite number of members of τ is a member in τ . (7 marks)**
- c) List all possible topologies of the set $Y = \{a, b, c\}$. (6 marks)**

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Let \mathcal{B} be a basis for a topology τ on a non-empty set X . If \mathcal{B}_1 is a collection of subsets of X such that $\tau \supseteq \mathcal{B}_1 \supseteq \mathcal{B}$. Prove that \mathcal{B}_1 is also a basis for τ . (8 marks)
- b) Let $C[0, 1]$ be the set of all continuous real-valued functions on $[0, 1]$. Show that the collection \mathcal{M} where $\mathcal{M} = \{m(f, \epsilon) : f \in C[0, 1] \text{ and } \epsilon \text{ is a positive number}\}$ and $m(g, \epsilon) = \{g : g \in C[0, 1] \text{ and } \int_0^1 |f - g| < \epsilon\}$ is a basis for a topology τ on $C[0, 1]$. (12 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Let (X, τ) be any topological space. Prove that any arbitrary intersection of closed subsets of X are closed and finite union of closed subsets of X are closed. (8 marks)
- b) Let $X = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$ and $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{a, b, e\}\}$. List the members of the induced topologies τ_Y on $Y = \{a, c, e\}$ and τ_Z on $Z = \{b, c, d, e\}$. (4 marks)
- c) Show that a topological space (X, τ) is a τ_1 -space if and only if every subset consisting of one point is closed. (8 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) State and prove the following : (6 marks)
- Urysohn's lemma
 - Tietze's extension theorem.
- b) Show that if A is a closed subspace of a Lindelöf space (X, τ) then (A, τ_A) is also Lindelöf. (6 marks)
- c) Let (X, τ) be a topological space and R be an equivalence relation on X . Suppose X/R has the identification topology τ^* . Prove that the identification map $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X/R, \tau^*)$ is continuous. (8 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Show that any two open intervals in \mathbb{R} are homeomorphic. (7 marks)
- b) Show that any 2^{nd} countable space is first countable. (6 marks)
- c) Let (X, τ_X) and (Y, τ_Y) be two topological spaces. Show that $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous if and only if $f^{-1}(B) \in \tau_X$ for all $B \in \mathcal{B}$ where \mathcal{B} is a basis for τ_Y . (7 marks)