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(BSc EDUC. 3)

General Topology

MTH 3206

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TIME : 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM

TIME : 3 Hours

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## Instructions

1. *Carefully read through ALL the questions before attempting.*
  2. ANSWER FOUR (4) Questions (All questions carry equal marks).
  3. *No **names** should be written anywhere on the examination booklet.*
  4. *Ensure that your **Reg. number** and **Course** are indicated on all pages of your work.*
  5. *Ensure that your work is **clear and readable**. Untidy work will be penalized.*
  6. *Any type of examination Malpractice will lead to automatic disqualification.*
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1. (a) Topology consists of the study of the collection of objects that possess a mathematical structure. An example of such is the set of natural numbers  $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$  which has a successor function (S).
- (i) State the conditions that the successor function (S) must satisfy (Peano's Axiom). [3 Marks]
  - (ii) Which of the conditions yield the principle of mathematical induction? [1 Mark]
- (b) (i) Define the equality of two sets as used in topology. [2 Marks]
- (ii) Determine whether each of the following statements as used in topology is **True** or **False**.
- (iia) For each set  $B$ , then  $B \in 2^B$ .
  - (iib) For each set  $B$ , then  $B \subset 2^B$ .
  - (iic) There are no members of the set  $\{\emptyset\}$ . [3 Marks]
- (c) Let  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  be sets, Prove that if  $A \subset B$  and  $B \subset C$  then  $A \subset C$ . [4 Marks]
- (d) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two finite sets.
- (i) Define the cartesian product  $A \times B$ . [2 Marks]
  - (ii) Do you think  $A \times B = B \times A$ ? If No, justify your answer. [2 Marks]
- (e) A relation  $h : P \rightarrow Q$  is a function

$$P \times Q = \{(x, y), (x, z) \in h \Rightarrow y = z\}$$

i.e each object has at most one image. From this definition which of the following is a function?

- (i)  $h(x) = x^2 + 3$
- (ii)  $f(x) = \pm\sqrt{x} + 3$ . [2 Marks]

- (e) The possible characteristics of a mapping include; injective, surjective and bijective. Define with examples what each characteristic means. [6 Marks]

2. (a) With an aid of an example define what is meant by a metric space. [3 Marks]

- (b) (i) Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and let  $X$  be a set of all continuous functions  $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  for  $f, g \in X$ . Define a metric

$$d(f, g) = \int_a^b |f(t) - g(t)| dt.$$

Prove that  $(X, d(f, g))$  is a metric space. [8 Marks]

- (ii) If  $f(t) = t^2 + 1$  and  $g(t) = 1 - t^2$  on  $(0, 1)$ , use the above metric to compute the distance between  $f(t)$  and  $g(t)$ . [3 Marks]

(c) Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a function between two metric spaces  $X$  and  $Y$ .

- (i) What is meant by  $f$  being continuous at  $a \in X$ ? [2 Marks]

(ii) Let  $(X, d)$  and  $(X, d')$  be metric spaces, and assume  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is an identity function. Show that  $f$  is a continuous function. [3 Marks]

(d) (i) Differentiate between an open ball and a neighborhood of a point  $a \in X$  where  $X$  is a metric space. [4 Marks]

- (ii) What is meant by a set  $M \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  being closed and compact in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  [2 Marks]

3. (a) Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $A \subseteq X$ ;

- (i) What is meant by  $A$  being bounded? [2 Marks]

(ii) Define the diameter of  $A$ . [2 Marks]

(iii) When is  $A$  an open set? [2 Marks]

(iv) What makes  $A$  a closed set? [2 Marks]

(v) when is  $y$  a limit point of  $A$ . [2 Marks]

(b) Using clear examples show that;

- (i) It is false to generalise that the intersection of an infinite number of open sets is open. [1 Mark]

(ii) A set can be simultaneously open and closed.

[1 Mark]

(c) Let  $f : (A_1, d_1) \rightarrow (A_2, d_2)$ . Explain what is meant by  $f$  being continuous at point  $c \in A_1$  in terms of;

(i) open sets

[2 Marks]

(ii) sequences

[2 Marks]

(iii) closed sets

[2 Marks]

(d) (i) Define a homeomorphism  $g$  from metric space  $(X, d_1)$  to metric space  $(Y, d_2)$ .

[2 Marks]

(ii) Two metrics  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  are (Lipschitz) equivalent if there are constants  $K, k > 0$  such that for every  $x, y \in A$

$$kd_2(x, y) \leq d_1(x, y) \leq Kd_2(x, y)$$

Deduce that for any  $x, y \in A$

$$\frac{1}{K}d_1(x, y) \leq d_2(x, y) \leq \frac{1}{k}d_1(x, y).$$

[3 Marks]

(iii) Let  $A_1 = [0, 2\pi]$  and  $A_2 = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2, x_1^2 + x_2^2 = 1\}$  and take as metrics the restrictions of the usual metric on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Define  $f : A_1 \rightarrow A_2$  by  $f(t) = (\cos t, \sin t)$ , show that  $f$  is a continuous bijection but  $f^{-1}$  is not continuous at the point  $(1, 0)$ .

[4 Marks]

4. (a) Define and give at least two examples of a topological space.

[6 Marks]

(b) (i) What is meant by a topological space being Hausdorff?

[2 Marks]

(ii) What other name is given to a Hausdorff space?

[2 Marks]

(c) With an example, differentiate between the interior and the closure of a subset of a topological space.

[6 Marks]

(d) Prove that the subset  $A$  of a topological space  $X$  is closed if  $A = \overline{A}$ .

[4 Marks]



- (e) Prove that given a subset  $A$  of a topological space and an open set  $O$  contained in  $A$  then  $O \subset \text{interior of } O$ . [5 Marks]

5. (a) When is a topological space said to be connected? [2 Marks]
- (b) (i) Define an interval  $I$  on a real line. [2 Marks]
- (ii) Prove that a subset  $A$  of a real line that contains at least two distinct points is connected if and only if it is continuous in the interval. [10 Marks]
- (c) (i) State and prove the intermediate value theorem and an application of connectedness of topological spaces. [3 Marks]
- (ii) Using an example demonstrate the intermediate value theorem as stated in 4c(i) above. [2 Marks]
- (d) Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space,  $x, y \in X$ .
- (i) Define a path from  $x$  to  $y$ . [2 Marks]
- (ii) When is the path said to be connected? [2 Marks]
- (e) Determine whether the following statements are true.
- (i) Any path connected topological space is connected. [1 Mark]
- (ii) A connected open set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is path connected. [1 Mark]

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