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**FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE**

**AND BACHELOR OF EDUCATION**

**COURSE CODE:** MAT 401

**COURSE TITLE:** TOPOLOGY I

**DATE:** 11/02/2021

**TIME:** 1 PM -4 PM

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Answer Question One and Any other TWO Questions

TIME: 2 Hours

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**QUESTION 1 (30 MARKS)**

- a) Define the following terms: limit point, interior point, closed set, boundary point and adherent point. (5 marks)
- b) Show that the intersection  $\tau_1 \cap \tau_2$  of any two topologies  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$  on  $X$  is also a topology on  $X$  (5 marks)
- c) Consider the topology  $\tau_1 = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{a, b, c, d\}, \{a, b, e\}\}$  on  $X = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$ . Determine  $B'$ , the derived set of  $B = \{b\} \subset X$ . (6 marks)
- d) Define a homeomorphism. (2 marks)
- e) Let  $X = \{1, 2, 3\}$ . Show that  $\beta = \{\{1, 2\}, \{2, 3\}\}$  cannot be a base for any topology  $X$ . (6 marks)
- f) If  $A \subset B$ , then  $\bar{A} \subset \bar{B}$ . Prove. (6 marks)

**QUESTION 2 (20 MARKS)**

- a) Define a topological space. (3 marks)
- b) The class  $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{a, b, c, d\}, \{a, b, e\}\}$  is a topology on  $X = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$ .
- List the closed subsets of  $X$  (2 marks)
  - Determine the closure of the sets  $\{a\}$ ,  $\{b\}$  and  $\{c, e\}$ . (6 marks)
  - Which sets in (ii) are dense in  $X$ ? (1 mark)
- c) Prove that if  $A \subset B$ , then every limit point of  $A$  is a limit point  $B$ . (8 marks)

**QUESTION 3 (20 MARKS)**

- a) Define a Hausdorff space. (3 marks)
- b) Prove that all metric spaces are Hausdorff spaces. (7 marks)
- c) Let  $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{a, b, c, d\}, \{a, b, e\}\}$  be a topology on  $X = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$ . Find the neighbourhood system of:
- The point  $e$  (2 marks)
  - The point  $c$  (2 marks)
- d) A set  $G$  is open if and only if it is a neighbourhood of each of its points. Prove. (6 marks)

**QUESTION 4 (20 MARKS)**

- a) Define continuity of a function between topological spaces. (2 marks)
- b) Let  $X; Y; Z$  be topological spaces, and let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  and  $g: Y \rightarrow Z$  be continuous functions. Prove that the composition  $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$  of the functions  $f$  and  $g$  is continuous. (9 marks)
- c) Let  $\{\tau_i\}$  be a collection of topologies on a set  $X$ . If a function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is continuous with respect to each  $\tau_i$ , prove that  $f$  is continuous with respect to the intersection topology  $\tau = \bigcap_i \tau_i$ . (9 marks)

**QUESTION 5 (20 MARKS)**

- a) Let  $\tau_1 = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{a, b, c, d\}, \{a, b, e\}\}$  be a topology on  $X = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$ . Let  $A = \{a, b, c\} \subset X$ . Find
- $Int(A)$ , the interior of  $A$ . (4 marks)
  - $Ent(A)$ , the exterior of  $A$ . (4 marks)
  - $\partial(A)$ , the boundary of  $A$ . (4 marks)
- b) Let  $A$  be a subset of a topological space  $X$  and  $\bar{A}$  be the closure of  $A$ . Show that  $\bar{A} = Int(A) \cup \partial(A)$ . (8 marks)