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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Answer Question One and Any other TWO Questions

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**QUESTION ONE (30marks)**

a). Define the following terms

- i). A metric on a set (3 Marks)
- ii). A limit point of a topological space (2 Marks)
- iii). A quotient space (2 Marks)
- iv). A homeomorphism (2 Marks)

b). Let  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$  be two topologies on  $X = \mathbb{R}$ . Define  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$  suitably so that  $\tau_2$  is finer than  $\tau_1$ . Show that, actually,  $\tau_2$  is finer than  $\tau_1$ . (5 Marks)

c). Let  $(X, \tau_f)$  a topological space where  $\tau_f = \{U: U \subseteq X \mid X - U \text{ is finite, or all of } X\}$  Show that  $\tau_f$  is a topology. (6 Marks)

e). Find the interior of a set  $B = (-2,0] \cup \{1\}$ . (2 Marks)

f). Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be topological spaces and  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  a function. Show that if for every closed set  $B \in Y$  the set  $f^{-1}(B)$  is closed in  $X$  then  $f$  is continuous. (4 Marks)

g). Prove that a sequence of points of a Hausdorff space converge to at most one point of  $X$ . (4 Marks)

**QUESTION TWO (20marks)**

a). What do you understand by a metric topology? (2 Marks)

b). Consider a metric the usual  $d$  on  $\mathbb{R}$  and set  $A = (2,5) \subset \mathbb{R}$

(i). Show that  $A$  is bounded with respect to the metric  $d$  (2 Marks)

- (ii). Find the diameter of  $A$  (2 Marks)
- (iii). Show that  $2 \in \mathbb{R}$  is a limit point of  $A$ . (3 Marks)
- (iv). Find the closure of  $A$ . (1 Marks)
- c). Let  $X$  be a set. Prove that  $\beta$  a basis for a topology  $\tau$  on  $X$  if and only if that  $\tau$  equals the collection of all union of elements on  $\beta$ . (4 Marks)
- d). (i). What do you understand by the term the basis of a topology (2 Marks)
- ii). Describe two possible basis of the usual topology on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . (4 Marks)

### QUESTION THREE (20marks)

- a). Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two topological spaces. Define two projections  $\pi_1$  (on  $X$ ) and  $\pi_2$  (on  $Y$ ) from the product space  $X \times Y$  to  $X$  and  $Y$  respectively. If  $U \times V$  is a rectangle in  $X \times Y$ , such that  $U$  and  $V$  are open sets in  $X$  and  $Y$  respectively, express  $U \times V$  in terms of the projections  $\pi_1$  and  $\pi_2$ . (4 Marks)
- b). What is an accumulation point? Show that any point  $x \in [-1,1]$  is an accumulation point of the set  $[-1,1]$ . (4 Marks)
- c). Let  $X$  be a topological space. Prove that the following conditions holds
- i).  $\emptyset$  and  $X$  are closed (2 Marks)
- ii). Arbitrary intersection of closed sets are closed (5 Marks)
- iii). Finite union of closed sets are closed (5 Marks)

### QUESTION FOUR (20marks)

- a). Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological spaces and  $Y \subseteq X$  such that  $\tau_Y = \{Y \cap U : U \in \tau\}$ . Prove that  $\tau_Y$  is a topology on  $Y$  hence, describe the basis of that topology with respect to that of  $\tau$ . (8 Marks)
- b). Consider the set  $Z = [0,1] \cup (2,4]$
- (i). Show that  $[0,1]$  and  $(2,4]$  are both closed and open in  $Z$ . (8 Marks)
- (ii). Does  $Z$  have an isolation point? Explain (2 Marks)
- (iii). Find the closure of  $(2,4]$  in  $Z$ . (2 Marks)

### QUESTION FIVE (20marks)

a). Consider the set  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and a topology on  $X$  defined by  $\tau_X = \{\phi, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$ .

(i). Prove that  $\tau_X$  is a topology on  $X$ . (8 marks)

(ii). Find the interior of  $A = \{a, b\}$ . (3 marks)

(iii). Find all the limit points of the set  $A = \{a, b\}$ . (3 marks)

b). Let  $X$  be a metrizable topological space and  $A \subset X$ . Prove that if there is a sequence of points of  $A$  converging to  $x$  then  $x \in \bar{A}$  (closure of  $A$ ) and the converse is true. (6 marks)