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EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF MASTER OF SCIENCE (PURE MATHEMATICS)

MATH 803: GENERAL TOPOLOGY I

STREAMS: MSC (PURE MATHS)

TIME: 3 HOURS

DAY/DATE: THURSDAY 05/12/2019

11.30 A.M. – 2.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer any three questions
- Sketch maps and diagrams may be used whenever they help to illustrate your answer
- Do not write on the question paper
- This is a closed book exam, no reference materials are allowed in the examination room
- There will be No use of mobile phones or any other unauthorized materials
- Write your answer legibly and use your time wisely

QUESTION ONE (20 MARKS)

- (a) Let A be a compact subset of a Hausdorff space X and suppose $p \in X/A$, show that there exists open sets G and H such that $p \in G, A \subset H = \emptyset$ [4 marks]
- (b) Show that an open interval $A = (0, 1)$ on the real line \mathbb{R} with the usual topology is not subsequentially compact. [3 marks]
- (c) Prove that every bounded closed interval $B = [a, b]$ is countably compact. [3 marks]
- (d) Let $G \cup H$ be a disconnection of B . Show that $B \cap G$ and $B \cap H$ are separated sets [5 marks]
- (e) Let A be a subset of a Topological space X . prove that if X is sequentially compact then X is countably compact. [5 marks]

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QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- (a) Prove that every arcwise connected set A is connected [4 marks]
- (b) Explain what is meant by a subset of a topological space X being compact and hence show that every compact subset A of Hausdorff space is closed. [4 marks]
- (c) Show that a continuous image of a compact set is also compact. [4 marks]
- (d) Explain what is meant by a class $\{A_i\}$ of sets having a finite intersection property and hence show if or not the class $A = \left\{ (0, 1), \left(0, \frac{1}{2}\right), \left(0, \frac{1}{3}\right), \dots \right\}$ of intervals in \mathbb{R} has a finite intersection property [4 marks]
- (e) Let \mathcal{G} be a base for a second countable space X . Prove that \mathcal{G} is reducible to a countable base for X . [4 marks]

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- (a) Define a continuous map and show that a map is continuous if and only if the inverse image of an open set is open [5 marks]
- (b) Show that a topological space is a Hausdorff space if and only if any net has at most one limit. [5 marks]
- (c) State without proof Tietze Extension Theorem [2 marks]
- (d) Prove that a subset of a countable set is countable [4 marks]
- (e) Prove that the property of regular space is hereditary [4 marks]

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- (a) Consider the topology $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$ on $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and the topology $\tau^* = \{Y, \emptyset, \{0\}\}$ on $Y = \{u, v\}$. Determine the defining subbase of product topology $X \times Y$. [4 marks]
- (b) Prove that every projection mapping on a product space X is a bicontinuous mapping [4 marks]
- (c) Prove that a completely regular is also regular [3 marks]
- (d) State and prove the Urysohn's Lemma. [9 marks]
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