

**KISII UNIVERSITY**

**TWIN TOWERS CAMPUS**

**EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PURE MATHEMATICS**

**MATH 803- GENERAL TOPOLOGY I**

**STREAM- MSC YISI**

**TIME: 3 HOURS**

**INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER QUESTION ONE COMPULSORY AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS**

**QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)**

- a) i) Define the term a  $T_1$ - space (1mk)  
ii) Prove that a topological space is a  $T_1$ - space if and only if every singleton subset of  $X$  is closed (7mks)
- b) Show that a finite subset of a  $T_1$ - space  $X$  has no accumulation points (6mks)
- c) i) What is a regular space? (2mks)  
ii) Show that every subspace of a regular space is regular (7mks)
- d) i) Define a locally compact set (1mk)  
ii) Prove that every compact space is locally compact (6mks)

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

- a) i) What is a Hausdorff space (1mk)  
ii) Show that every subspace of a Hausdorff space is also a Hausdorff space (5mks)
- b) i) Let  $X$  be a  $T_3$ -space. Prove that  $X$  is also a Hausdorff space (3mks)  
ii) Prove that every metric space  $X$  is always a Hausdorff space (5mks)
- c) Use a counter example to show that a  $T_0$ -Space is not necessarily a  $T_1$ -Space (5mks)
- d) What is a Lindelöf space (1mk)

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

- a) i) What is meant by a first countable space (2mks)  
ii) Show that any subspace  $(Y, \tau_Y)$  of a first countable space  $(X, \tau)$  is also first countable (11mks)
- b) i) What is meant by a metrizable topological space? (1mk)  
ii) State Urysohn's metrization theorem and Tietze extension theorem (4mks)  
iii) State the finite intersection property (2mks)

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

- a) i) What is a compact set (2mks)  
ii) Define a second countable space (2mks)  
iii) Let  $\mathcal{G}$  be a base for a second countable space  $X$ . Prove that  $\mathcal{G}$  is reducible to a countable base for  $X$  (10mks)
- b) Show that every subspace of a second countable space is second countable (6mks)