

Mathematical Economics

Midterm Examination

April 27, 2017

*Please, answer the following 3 questions. **Time allowed:** one hour and 30 minutes. PLEASE PLEASE, make an effort to write in a legible and organized fashion.*

Question 1. Compact sets. Definition, properties and (fundamental) relation to continuous functions. Show that if $f : M \rightarrow N$ is continuous and M is compact, then f is a closed mapping (i.e., it maps closed sets into closed sets).

Question 2. The contraction mapping theorem. Statement, proof, and a sufficient condition.

Question 3. In a normed vector space V , define convex sets, and then prove:

1. that the (algebraic) sum of two convex sets is convex
2. that the intersection of two convex sets is convex
3. that (if $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$) the interior of a convex set is convex