

LAGOS CITY POLYTECHNIC, IKEJA
SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND APPLIED SCIENCE
DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE
2015/2016 SEMESTER EXAMINATION

COURSE TITLE: OPERATIONS RESEARCH I NO OF QUESTION : 5
COURSE CODE: STA 314 TIME ALLOWED: 2 HRS
FOR WHOM: HND YR I CS PT INSTRUCTIONS:
ANSWER ANY FOUR QUESTIONS

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(ii) State the steps involved in formulating linear programming problems.
- (b) A bottling company produces Fanta Orange and Fanta Lemon. Each bottle of Fanta Orange requires one (1) hour of machining, 5 hours of Labour and 3 kilogrammes of material while each bottle of Fanta Lemon requires 2 hours of machining, 4 hours of Labour and 2 kilogrammes of material.
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