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**FACULTY OF SCIENCES**  
**DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS**  
**2021 EXAMINATION**

**Course Code: MTH423**

**Course Title: Integral Equations**

**Credit Unit: 3**

**Time Allowed: 3 Hours**

**Total: 70 Marks**

**Instruction: Answer Question Number One and Any Other Four Questions**

1. (a) i. Define the three types of Volterra integral equations **(3 marks)**  
ii. State three properties of Volterra integral equations. **(3 marks)**
- (b) . i. What is a degenerate Kernel? **(2 marks)**  
ii. When is the set of orthogonal system  $\{\phi_n\}$  said to be complete? **(4 marks)**  
iii. When is a Kernel said to be positive? **(3 marks)**  
iv. State the Hilbert-Schmidt Theorem. **(3 marks)**

- (c) Find the solution to the integral equation:

$$\frac{a}{a^2 + x^2} = \int_0^{\infty} \cos \omega x \phi(\omega) d\omega, \quad a > 0.$$

**(4 marks)**

2. (a) Solve the integral equation:

$$\int_0^x \sin x (x - y) dy = 1 - \cos \beta x.$$

**(6marks)**

- (b) Form the integral equation corresponding to the IVP:

$$y'' + 2xy' + y = 0, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = 0.$$

**(6 marks)**

3. (a) Solve the integral equation:

$$\phi(x) = \lambda \int_0^{\infty} \cos \omega x \phi(\omega) d\omega, \quad \phi(x) \text{ is an even function of } x.$$

**(6 marks)**

- (b) Obtain the solution to the integral equation:

$$\phi(x) = f(x) + \lambda \left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_0^{\infty} \cos xy \phi(y) dy.$$

**(6 marks)**

4. (a) Using  $\phi_0(x) = x$  as a first approximation, solve the integral equation:

$$\phi(x) = x + \lambda \int_0^{\infty} \phi(s) ds.$$

- (b) Solve the integral equation:

$$\phi(x) = x^2 + \lambda \int_0^{\infty} x^3 s^2 \phi(s) ds.$$

5. (a) Solve the integral equation:

$$\phi(x) = x^5 + \int_0^{\infty} x s^2 \phi(s) ds.$$

- (b) Find the solution of the integral equation:

$$u(x) = e^x + \frac{1}{e} \int_0^{\infty} u(y) dy$$

by the method of successive approximations.

6. (a) Find the eigenvalues and the corresponding eigenfunctions of the following homogeneous Fredholm integral equation

$$y(x) = \lambda \int_0^1 (\sin \pi x \cos \pi t) y(t) dt.$$

**(6 marks)**

- (b) Show that the following homogeneous Fredholm integral equation has no eigenvalues and no eigenfunctions:

$$y(x) = \lambda \int_0^1 (3x - 2)t y(t) dt.$$

**(6 marks)**