

**DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS, IIT KHARAGPUR**  
**Integral Equations and Variational Methods,**  
**Spring 2022 \* Exam 1 \* Date: 21.02.2022 \* FM = 40**  
**Department of Mathematics**  
**Time-duration: 110 minutes \* Mode: Online**

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(1) For what values of  $\mu$  the integral equation

$$u(x) + \mu \int_0^1 e^{(x-t)} u(t) dt = 2 x e^x$$

has a solution

$$u(x) = (2x - 5) e^x.$$

[3 Marks]

(2) Reduce the Fredholm integral equation

$$u(x) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 K(x, t) u(t) dt$$
$$\text{with } K(x, t) = \begin{cases} t(1-x) + \frac{(x-1)}{2}, & 0 \leq t < x \\ x(1-t) + \frac{x}{2}, & x < t \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

to an equivalent boundary value problem.

[5 Marks]

(3) Applying the method of separable kernel, solve the following integral equation

$$y(x) = x - 3 \int_0^1 (xt^2 + x^2t) y(t) dt$$

[7 Marks]

(4) Find the solution to the integral equation

$$u(x) = \frac{3.2}{4.2} x^{0.2} + \frac{2.2}{4.2} \int_0^1 x^{0.2} t u(t) dt$$

by the method of successive approximation taking  $u_0(x) = 0$ . Find  $u_1, u_2, u_3$  and  $u_4$  and write the general term  $u_n$ . [6 Marks]

(5) (a) Find eigenvalues, eigenfunctions of the integral equation

$$u(x) = \lambda \int_{-1}^1 x e^t u(t) dt$$

(b) Find nonzero solution to the associated homogeneous integral equation.

(c) Without solving the non-homogeneous equation

$$u(x) = x^{2m-1} e^{-x} + \lambda \int_{-1}^1 x e^t u(t) dt, \quad m = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

discuss the existence of its solution. (Specify whether unique solution / no solution / infinitely many solutions would exist.) [7 Marks]

(6) Solve the Volterra integral equation

$$y(x) = x + \int_0^x (t - x) y(t) dt$$

by the method of resolvent kernel. (You must find the iterated kernels  $K_1, K_2$  and  $K_3$  and write the general form  $K_n$ ). [6 Marks]

(7) Find the solution to the integral equation

$$\int_0^x \frac{u(t) dt}{(x-t)^{\frac{1}{4}}} = x^{\frac{5}{6}} \quad (0 < \alpha, n < 1)$$

in the form

$$u(x) = \frac{a \Gamma(a) x^\mu}{\Gamma(b) \Gamma(c)},$$

write down the values of  $a, b, c, \mu$ . [6 Marks]