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## UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN  
APPLIED MATHEMATICS

## MATH 929: DISTRIBUTIONS AND FOURIER ANALYSIS

STREAMS: PhD

TIME: 3 HOURS

DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 6/10/2021

8.30 A.M – 11.30 A.M

INSTRUCTIONS

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- Answer any three questions
- Adhere to the instructions on the answer booklet.

## QUESTION ONE.

- a. Solve the differential equation [7marks]

$$\ddot{y}(t) + 3\dot{y}(t) + 2y(t) = x(t) \text{ given}$$

the input signal  $x(t) = e^{-t}u(t)$  and the initial conditions  $y(0) = 1, \dot{y}(0) = 1$ :

- b. Solve the differential equation below by finite Fourier transforms [13 marks]

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}, \text{ given } u(0, t) = 0 \text{ and } u(4, t) = 0$$

and  $u(x, 0) = 2x$  where  $0 < x < 4, t > 0$ .

## QUESTION TWO

- a. Obtain the general solution to the following system of differential equations by the Mikusinski's operator [10 marks]

$$x'(t) + y(t) = t^2 + 6t + 1$$

$$y'(t) - x(t) = -3t^2 + 3t + 1$$

b. Given the ordinary differential equation

$$-u''(x) + q(x)u(x) = \lambda u(x) \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}$$

$$\begin{aligned} u_1(0, \lambda) = 0 & \quad \text{and} \quad u_2(0, \lambda) = 1 \\ u_1'(0, \lambda) = 1 & \quad u_2'(0, \lambda) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

With  $q = 0$ , Obtain

i. The Titchmarsh-Weyl  $m$ -function [5marks]

ii. Spectral transform and measure [5 marks]

### QUESTION THREE

a. Solve the differential equation [7marks]

$$\ddot{y}(t) + 3\dot{y}(t) + 2y(t) = x(t)$$

Given the input signal

$$x(t) = e^t u(t) \text{ and the initial conditions } y(0) = 1, \dot{y}(0) = 1$$

b. Solve the differential equation below by Mikusinski's operator [7marks]

$$\begin{aligned} y'(t) + 2y(t) &= 2(t+1)e^{t^2} \\ \text{with } y(0) &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

c. Obtain the solution to the integral equation [6 marks]

$$f(t) = \cos t - t - 2 - \int_0^t (t-\tau)f(\tau)d\tau.$$

### QUESTION FOUR

a. Solve the heat equation below by Fourier sine transforms [15 marks]

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = k \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$$

under the conditions

- (i)  $u(0, t) = 0$
- (ii)  $u(x, 0) = e^{-x}$
- (iii)  $u(x, t)$  is bounded.

b. Solve the differential equation below

[5 marks]

$$\frac{d}{dt} f(t) + 2f(t) = 4(1 + a^2 t) e^{a^2 t^2}$$

given that  $f(0) = 3$ .

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### QUESTION FIVE

a. Solve the transmission line equation below by Laplace transforms

[20 marks]

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = -Ri$$

$$\frac{\partial i}{\partial x} = -c \frac{\partial v}{\partial t}$$

Conditions are  $v(x, 0) = 0$

$i(x, 0) = 0$

$v(0, t) = v_0$

$v(x, t)$  finite for all  $x$  and  $t$ .