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**Instructions:** Closed book. You may use any standard theorem, provided you state it carefully. Good Luck!

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**Problem 1.** Which of the following Fourier series define a square-integrable function on  $\mathbb{T}$ ? Say as much as you can about the continuity and differentiability of the sums.

$$\begin{aligned}f_1(x) &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+n^4} e^{inx}, \\f_2(x) &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+n^4} e^{i(|n!|)x}, \\f_3(x) &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\log(1+n^4)} e^{inx}, \\f_4(x) &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-(1+n^4)} e^{inx}.\end{aligned}$$

**Problem 2.** Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be the Hilbert space of functions  $f : [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that

$$\int_{-1}^1 \frac{|f(x)|^2}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx < \infty,$$

with the inner-product

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{\overline{f(x)}g(x)}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx.$$

Show that the Chebyshev polynomials,

$$T_n(x) = \cos(n\theta), \quad \text{where } \cos \theta = x \text{ and } 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi,$$

$n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , form an orthogonal set in  $\mathcal{H}$ , and

$$\|T_0\| = \sqrt{\pi}, \quad \|T_n\| = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \quad n \geq 1.$$

(Hint:  $2 \cos m\theta \cos n\theta = \cos(m+n)\theta + \cos(m-n)\theta$ .) Given that  $\{T_n \mid n = 0, 1, \dots\}$  is complete, write out the expansion of  $f \in \mathcal{H}$  with respect to the Chebyshev polynomials, and say explicitly in what sense the series converges.

**Problem 3.** The Dirichlet problem for Laplace's equation in the unit disc for  $u(r, \theta)$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{r} (ru_r)_r + \frac{1}{r^2} u_{\theta\theta} &= 0, \quad \text{in } r < 1 \\ u(1, \theta) &= f(\theta), \end{aligned}$$

where  $f : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a given function, and  $(r, \theta)$  are polar coordinates. Solve this problem by expansion of  $u$  in Fourier series,

$$u(r, \theta) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} u_n(r) e^{in\theta}.$$

(Hint: try  $u_n(r) = r^k$  for suitable  $k$ .) Show that your solution can be written in  $r < 1$  as

$$u(r, \theta) = (g_r * f)(\theta),$$

where  $*$  denotes the convolution on  $\mathbb{T}$  and  $g_r : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is given by

$$g_r(\theta) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1-r^2}{1-2r \cos \theta + r^2}.$$

**Problem 4.** Let  $\Delta : \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow \ell^2(\mathbb{Z})$  be the discrete Laplacian operator defined by  $\Delta(x_n) = (y_n)$  where

$$y_n = x_{n+1} - 2x_n + x_{n-1}.$$

Determine the spectrum of  $\Delta$ , and classify its spectrum into its discrete, continuous, and residual parts.

**Problem 5.** A linear operator  $K : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  on a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$  is compact if it maps bounded sets into precompact sets. Show that  $K$  is compact if and only if it maps weakly convergent sequences into strongly convergent sequences.