

FINAL: MATH 203B  
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**Instructions:** Closed book. Give complete proofs. You may use any standard theorem provided you state it carefully. Good Luck!

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**Problem 1.** (a) Define the Fourier coefficients and Fourier series of a  $2\pi$ -periodic function  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{T})$ .

(b) Compute the Fourier coefficients of the  $2\pi$ -periodic function such that

$$f(x) = x, \quad |x| < \pi.$$

For what real values of  $s \geq 0$  is it true that  $f \in H^s(\mathbb{T})$ ?

(c) State Parseval's theorem, and deduce that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6}.$$

**Problem 2.** Use Fourier series to solve the linearized KdV equation,

$$\begin{aligned} u_t &= u_{xxx}, \\ u(x, 0) &= f(x), \end{aligned}$$

where  $u(\cdot, t) \in L^2(\mathbb{T})$ . Show that the solution operators form a strongly-continuous one-parameter unitary group in  $L^2(\mathbb{T})$ .

**Problem 3.** Let  $A : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  be a bounded linear operator on a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ . A closed linear subspace  $\mathcal{M}$  of  $\mathcal{H}$  is said to be a *reducing subspace* for  $A$  if both  $\mathcal{M}$  and  $\mathcal{M}^\perp$  are invariant subspaces of  $A$ , meaning that  $A(\mathcal{M}) \subset \mathcal{M}$  and  $A(\mathcal{M}^\perp) \subset \mathcal{M}^\perp$ . Show that  $\mathcal{M}$  is a reducing subspace for  $A$  if and only if  $PA = AP$  where  $P$  is the orthogonal projection onto  $\mathcal{M}$ .

**Problem 4.** (a) Define weak convergence in a Hilbert space.

(b) Let  $\{\mathbf{e}_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be an orthonormal set in a Hilbert space, and define

$$\mathbf{x}_n = [1 + (-1)^n] \mathbf{e}_n, \quad \mathbf{y}_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} \mathbf{e}_k, \quad \mathbf{z}_n = (-1)^n \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} \mathbf{e}_k.$$

For each of the sequences  $(\mathbf{x}_n)$ ,  $(\mathbf{y}_n)$ ,  $(\mathbf{z}_n)$  say if it converges weakly and find the weak limit if it exists.

**Problem 5.** Let  $K : L^2(0, 1) \rightarrow L^2(0, 1)$  be the integral operator defined by

$$Ku(x) = \int_0^1 e^{x-y} u(y) dy.$$

- (a) Find the range of  $K$ . Is the range of  $K$  closed? Is  $K$  compact?
- (b) Compute the adjoint operator  $K^*$ , and find its kernel.
- (c) Verify explicitly that  $Ku = f$  is solvable if and only if  $f \perp \ker K^*$ .

**Problem 6.** State the spectral theorem for compact self-adjoint operators. If  $A$  is a compact self-adjoint operator with nonnegative eigenvalues, prove that there is an operator  $B$  such that  $B^2 = A$ .