

Homework assignment 3

Deadline 2017-10-12

Problem 1: Set

$$A(f)(x) = \int_0^\pi \sin(x-y) f(y) dy, \quad 0 \leq x \leq \pi.$$

Find the operator norm of A regarded as an operator on

1. the Banach space $C([0, \pi])$,
2. the Hilbert space $L^2([0, \pi])$.

Problem 2: Assume that T is a self-adjoint operator on a Hilbert space E that satisfies $T^3 = T^2$. Show that T is an orthogonal projection operator. Is that true if T instead satisfies $T^4 = T^3$?

Problem 3: Let E be a complex Hilbert space with a complete ON-sequence $(e_n)_{n=1}^\infty$. Let $(\alpha_n)_{n=1}^\infty$ be a sequence of complex numbers and set

$$A(x) = \sum_{n=1}^\infty \alpha_n \langle x, e_n \rangle e_n, \quad x \in E.$$

Give necessary and sufficient conditions on the sequence $(\alpha_n)_{n=1}^\infty$ such that

1. $A(x) \in E$ for every $x \in E$,
2. $A \in \mathcal{B}(E, E)$ and give an expression for $\|A\|$ in terms of the α_n 's,
3. A self-adjoint,
4. $A \in \mathcal{K}(E, E)$ (i.e. A compact),
5. A 1-1.

All statements in the five cases must be proved.

Problem 4: Analyse existence and uniqueness for solutions to the following BVP:

$$\begin{cases} u''(x) - u(x) = \lambda \arctan(u(x^2)), & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ u(0) = 2, u(1) = 1, & u \in C^2([0, 1]) \end{cases}$$

Here λ is a real number and all functions are real-valued. What can be said for different values of λ ? Note that the boundary conditions are not homogeneous.