

1. Suppose  $\alpha, \beta$ , and  $\gamma$  are continuous on  $[a, b]$  and  $\alpha \neq 0$ . Given  $x_0, v_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ , and  $f \in C[a, b]$ , show that there exists a unique  $u \in C^2[a, b]$  such that

$$\alpha u'' + \beta u' + \gamma u = f$$

satisfying  $u(b) = x_0$  and  $u'(b) = v_0$ .

2. Suppose  $\{u_k\}$  is an orthonormal basis for a Hilbert space  $X$ , let  $\{b_k\} \in \ell_2$ , and let  $\{c_k\}$  be a bounded sequence in  $C^2[a, b]$ . Show that

$$v(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k c_k(t) u_k$$

is a well defined function from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $X$ . Moreover, it is differentiable and

$$v'(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k c'_k(t) u_k$$

You should decide for yourself what differentiability means in this context.

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4. Let  $T : L^2_{\omega} \rightarrow L^2_{\omega}$  be the compact operator we constructed in class for solving the equation

$$-\frac{1}{\omega} Lu = f \tag{1}$$

together with separated boundary conditions. We showed that if  $f$  is continuous then  $Tf$  is a  $C^2$  solution of this problem. Now show that if  $f \in L^2_{\omega}$ , then  $u$  solves equation (1) in the sense of distributions, and that  $u \in H^2([a, b])$ . Hint: approximate  $f$  with continuous functions.

5. Suppose  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is open and  $f \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\Omega)$ . Show that the map  $T_f : \mathcal{D}(\Omega) \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$  given by

$$T_f(\phi) = \int_{\Omega} f \phi$$

is an element of  $\mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$ .

The following problem is part of the take-home final. You can start thinking about it now.

6. Suppose  $p \in C^1[a, b]$ . Show that given  $f \in L^2[a, b]$ , and  $T > 0$ , there exists a function  $u : [0, T] \rightarrow L^2[a, b]$  such that

1.  $u(0) = f$ .
2.  $u$  is continuous on  $[0, T]$ .
3.  $u$  is differentiable on  $(0, T]$ .
4.  $\frac{d}{dt}u = (pu)'$ ; the derivative on the right is in the sense of distributions.
5. For all  $t > 0$ ,  $u(t, a) = 0 = u(t, b)$ .