

Tufts University
Department of Mathematics
Math 250-03 Homework 5

Due: Thursday, November 1, at 3:00 p.m. (in class).

1. (10 points) Let $A \subset B \subset C$ be normed spaces with common norm $\|\cdot\|$. Prove that if A is dense in B and B is dense in C , then A is dense in C .
2. (20 points) Prove that

$$2 \sum_{n=1}^N \sin(nx) \sin(nu) = \frac{\sin(N + 1/2)(u - x)}{2 \sin(u - x)/2} - \frac{\sin(N + 1/2)(u + x)}{2 \sin(u + x)/2}.$$

Hint: One way to do this is to write $\sin \theta = \frac{e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta}}{2i}$.

3. (30 points)
 - (a) Apply Gram-Schmidt to $\{x^n\}_{n \geq 0}$ in $L_2[0, 1]$, computing the first 3 orthonormal polynomials.
 - (b) Find the quadratic polynomial, $Q(x)$, that minimizes $\int_0^1 (\sin(\pi x) - Q(x))^2 dx$. What is $\|\sin(\pi x) - Q(x)\|^2$?
 - (c) Find the quadratic Taylor polynomial, $P(x)$, for $\sin(\pi x)$ around 0. What is $\|\sin(\pi x) - P(x)\|^2$?
4. (10 points) Show that the orthogonal complement of the set of even functions in $L_2[-1, 1]$ is the set of odd functions in $L_2[-1, 1]$.
5. (10 points) Let \mathcal{H} be a Hilbert space, and $M \subset N \subset \mathcal{H}$. Show that $N^\perp \subset M^\perp$.
6. (20 points) Consider the space $C[-1, 1]$ with inner product $\langle u, v \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 u(x)v(x)dx$. Show that the functional $f(u) = \int_0^1 u(x)dx$ is linear and continuous. For what function, $z(x)$, is $f(u) = \langle u, z \rangle$? Why does this not contradict the Riesz Representation Theorem?