

Final Examination

This take-home exam is due at 3 pm on Tuesday, May 8. You may consult any written or online source. You may *not* consult any person, either a fellow student or faculty member, except your instructor

- (5 pts.)** Let T be a bounded self-adjoint operator on a Hilbert space \mathcal{H} . In addition, suppose that 0 is in the continuous spectrum of T . If D is the range of T , show that $H = T^{-1}$, with domain H being D , is a self-adjoint operator.
- Let $Lu = -r^{-2} \frac{d}{dr} r^2 \frac{du}{dr}$, $0 < r < \infty$, with boundary conditions $r^2 u' \rightarrow 0$ and u bounded as $r \rightarrow 0$, and similar conditions as $r \rightarrow +\infty$.
 - (5 pts.)** Show that L is (formally) self adjoint in the inner product $\langle u, v \rangle = \int_0^\infty u(r) \overline{v(r)} r^2 dr$.
 - (10 pts.)** Find the Green's function for L .
 - (15 pts.)** Use Stone's formula (or the book's contour technique) to find the associated spectral transform. In addition, you may make use of any asymptotic formulas required in the problem.
- (15 pts.)** Problem 6(a), section 7.5, p. 333 in the text.
- (10 pts.)** Consider $E_1(x) = \int_x^\infty t^{-1} e^{-t} dt$, $x > 0$. Find the asymptotic expansion for $E_1(x)$ as $x \rightarrow +\infty$. (Hint: show that $E_1(x) = e^{-x} \int_0^\infty (1+t)^{-1} e^{-xt} dt$.)
- (10 pts.)** Problem 11(a), section 10.3, p. 465 in the text.
- (15 pts.)** Consider $f(x) = \int_0^2 e^{ix(t^2-2t)} dt$, $x > 0$. Use the method of steepest descent to show that $f(x) = e^{i(\pi/4-x)} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{x}} (1 + \mathcal{O}(x^{-1/2}))$ as $x \rightarrow +\infty$.
- (15 pts.)** Prove this version of the principle of stationary phase: For all $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, let $F(\lambda) := \int_{-\infty}^\infty e^{i\lambda h(t)} g(t) dt$, where $g \in C^{(2)}(\mathbb{R})$, $g, g' \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$, $g(0) \neq 0$, and where $h \in C^{(3)}(\mathbb{R})$ is real valued, and satisfies $h'(0) = 0$, $h''(t) > 0$ for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$. Then, $F(\lambda) \sim \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{\lambda h''(0)}} g(0) e^{i\lambda h(0) + i\pi/4}$ as $\lambda \rightarrow +\infty$.