

PMATH 753
Candidate Final Exam Questions

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A Give a clear statment of the following theorem:

1. Hahn-Banach Theorem
2. Banach-Steinhaus Theorem
3. Open Mapping Theorem
4. Inverse Mapping Theorem
5. Closed Graph Theorem
6. Separation Theorem
7. Tychonff's Theorem
8. Alaoglu's Theorem
9. w^* -Separation Theorem
10. Goldstine's Theorem
11. Krein-Milman Theorem
12. Orthogonal Complementation Theorem
13. Riesz Representation Theorem (for Hilbert spaces)
14. Riesz-Fischer Theorem
15. Orthonormal Basis Theorem (incl. Bessel's ineq. and Parseval id.)
16. Inversion Theorems 1 & 2.
17. Spectral Radius Formula
18. Spectral Theorem (for a compact operator on a Banach space)

19. Spectral Theorem (for a compact hermitian [or normal] operator on a Hilbert space)

B Provide a proof of the following. You should be prepared to provide a definition of any term in *italics*.

1. Prove that $\mathbf{c}_0^* \cong \ell_1$ and $\ell_1^* \cong \ell_\infty$. Also show that \mathbf{c}_0 is *weak**-dense (i.e. $\sigma(\ell_\infty, \widehat{\ell}_1)$ -dense) in ℓ_∞ .
2. Prove that if \mathcal{X} is an infinite dimensional normed vector space, then $B(\mathcal{X})$ is not compact in the $\|\cdot\|$ -topology. [Use A1 to show that if \mathcal{Y} is a proper closed subspace of \mathcal{X} , $0 < \varepsilon < 1$, then there is $x \in B(\mathcal{X})$ with $\text{dist}(x, \mathcal{Y}) > 1 - \varepsilon$.]
3. If \mathcal{X} is a Banach space, then it cannot have a countable infinite *Hamel basis*. [Use Baire.]
4. Prove the Inverse Mapping Theorem. [Use A3.]
5. Prove the Closed Graph Theorem. [Use A4.]
6. If $(\mathcal{X}, \|\cdot\|)$ is a Banach space, and $\|\!\|\!\|$ is another norm which dominates $\|\cdot\|$ and for which $(\mathcal{X}, \|\!\|\!\|)$ is complete, then $\|\!\|\!\|$ is equivalent to $\|\cdot\|$.
7. Prove Goldstine's Theorem. [Hint: use A8 and A6.]
8. Let \mathcal{U} be an *ultrafilter* on \mathbb{N} . If $x \in \ell_\infty$ prove that the ultrafilter limit $\lim_{\mathcal{U}} x = \lim_{n \in U \in \mathcal{U}} x_n$ exists. [You might want to recall what ℓ_∞^* looks like; alternatively, consider the net $(x_n)_{(n,U) \in N} \subset \|x\|_\infty \mathbb{B}$ where $N = \{(n, U) : n \in U \in \mathcal{U}\}$ subject to an appropriate preordering, and use q. 20.]
9. Show that a Banach limit exists on ℓ_∞ , i.e. a norm one functional $L \in \ell_\infty^*$ such that $L(Tx) = L(x)$ for each x where $T : \mathcal{B}(\ell_\infty)$ is the back-shift operator, $T(x_1, x_2, \dots) = (x_2, x_3, \dots)$. [Either use a certain H.B.T. argument as in A2; or consider $\lim_{\mathcal{U}} \circ M$ where M is a Cesaro mean operator.]
10. Show that if \mathcal{X} is a Banach space for which $B(\mathcal{X})$ is weakly compact, then \mathcal{X} is *reflexive*. Deduce that if \mathcal{X}^* is reflexive then \mathcal{X} is reflexive too. [Use A10 and A8.]

11. Show that if \mathcal{X} is reflexive, and $\mathcal{Y} \subset \mathcal{X}$ is a closed subspace, then \mathcal{Y} is reflexive too.
12. Show that a separable reflexive Banach space has separable dual.
13. Show that in a *Hausdorff space* (X, τ) , that any *compact* subset is closed.
14. Show that if $(X, \tau), (Y, \sigma)$ are compact topological spaces with (Y, σ) Hausdorff, then a continuous bijection $\varphi : X \rightarrow Y$ is a *homeomorphism*.
15. Show that the following are homeomorphic: (i) $\{z \in \ell_{\mathbb{R}}^{\infty} : |z| = 1\}$ (w^* topology), (ii) $\{-1, 1\}^{\mathbb{N}}$ (product topology), and (iii) the Cantor set C (metric/order topology).
16. Prove that $(B(\mathcal{X}^*), w^*)$ is *metrisable* if and only if \mathcal{X} is separable.
17. Prove that in an infinite dimensional normed vector space that $\overline{S(\mathcal{X})}^w = B(\mathcal{X})$.
18. Prove that in a finite dimensional normed vector space that $\tau_{\|\cdot\|} = \sigma(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{X}^*)$.
19. Prove that any *net* has an *ultranet* as a *subnet*.
20. Prove that a topological space is *compact* if and only if every net has a *cluster point* if and only if every *ultranet converges*.
21. Prove Tychonoff's Theorem. [Use either f.i.p., ultrafilters or ultranets.]
22. Prove Alaoglu's theorem. [Use either A8, or ultranets.]
23. Compute the set of *extreme points* $\text{ext}B(\ell^1)$, and show that, $\overline{\text{conv}}^{\|\cdot\|_1} \text{ext}B(\ell^1) = B(\ell^1)$.
24. Show that if C is a complete convex set in a Euclidean space \mathcal{X} and $x \in \mathcal{X}$, then there is a unique y in C for which $\text{dist}(x, C) = \|x - y\|$. [Hint: Parallelogram Law as in proof of A12.]
25. In a Euclidean space, prove that $(x, y) = 1$, for $\|x\| = \|y\| = 1$, if and only if $x = y$. [Hint: examine proof of Cauchy-Schwarz.]
Thus if \mathcal{E} is a Euclidean space compute $\text{ext}B(\mathcal{E})$. Show that $B(\mathcal{E}) = \text{conv ext}B(\mathcal{E})$, even though \mathcal{E} may not be complete.

26. Show that none of $\mathbf{c}_0, \mathcal{C}^{\mathbb{R}}[0, 1]$ nor $L_1[0, 1]$ can be dual spaces. [Hint: Show that $\text{ext}B(\mathcal{X})$ is too small.]
27. Prove that in a Banach space, if $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is a sequence which converges to x_0 , then $\overline{\text{co}}\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is a compact set.
28. Prove that any *separable* Euclidean space admits an orthogonal sequence whose span is dense in the space. [Gram-Schmidt.]
29. Prove the Riesz-Fischer theorem which characterises Hilbert spaces amongst Euclidean spaces. [It's a good exercise to prove Bessel's inequality, while you're at it.]
30. Consider $L_2[0, 1]$ with *orthonormal basis* $(e_n)_{n=-\infty}^{\infty}$ where $e_n(t) = e^{i2\pi nt}$. Let D in $\mathcal{L}(\text{span}\{e_n\}_{n=-\infty}^{\infty})$ denote the operator of differentiation. Let $\mathcal{D} = \{f \in L_2[0, 1] : \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |n^2(f, e_n)|^2 < \infty\}$. Show that there is a unique extension of D^2 from \mathcal{D} to $L_2[0, 1]$.
Moreover, $D^2 : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow L_2[0, 1]$ has *closed graph* in $L_2[0, 1] \oplus L_2[0, 1]$.
31. Show that a sequence $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$, in a Hilbert space \mathcal{H} with orthonormal basis $(e_i)_{i \in I}$, converges weakly to $x_0 \Leftrightarrow$ each sequence $\{(x_n, e_i)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converges to (x_0, e_i) and $\sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \|x_n\| < +\infty$.
Deduce that any orthonormal sequence $\{f_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converges weakly to 0.
32. (a) Let \mathcal{H} be a separable Hilbert space with orthonormal basis $\{e_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$. Show that T in $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$ (linear operators from \mathcal{H} to \mathcal{H}) is bounded \Leftrightarrow there is an infinite matrix $[t_{ij}]$ such that for $x \in \mathcal{H}$ and $i \in \mathbb{N}$, $(Tx, y) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} t_{ij} \overline{(x, e_j)} (y, e_i)$. Moreover, $t_{ij} = (Te_j, e_i)$ for each pair i, j . [Use A15 and method from Assign. 2 q.6.]
(b) In the question above, what does the matrix for T^* look like?
33. Compute the *spectrum*, *point spectrum* and *approximate point spectrum* for any of the following \mathbb{C} -linear operators:
(a) an *idempotent* E in $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{X})$, \mathcal{X} a Banach space.
(b) a multiplication operator M_a in $\mathcal{B}(\ell_p)$, $a \in \ell_{\infty}$, $1 \leq p < \infty$.
(c) the unilateral shift operator S in $\mathcal{B}(\ell_2)$, $S(x_1, x_2, \dots) = (0, x_1, x_2, \dots)$.

34. Let \mathcal{X} be an infinite dimensional complex Banach space.
- (a) Prove that if K in $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{X})$ is compact, and we have sequence $(\alpha_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset \mathbb{C}$ and subspaces $\mathcal{Y}_0 \subsetneq \mathcal{Y}_1 \subsetneq \mathcal{Y}_2 \subsetneq \dots$ such that $(\alpha_n I - K)\mathcal{Y}_n \subseteq \mathcal{Y}_{n-1}$, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = 0$.
- (b) Prove that if K is compact then $\sigma_p(K)$, if it is infinite, is a sequence converging to 0. Deduce that $\sigma(K) = \sigma_p(K) \cup \{0\}$. [I.e. prove part of A18. You may use the facts that each generalised eigenspace for a non-zero eigenvalue is finite dimensional; that in \mathbb{C} a compact set with countable boundary is itself countable; that eigenspaces corresponding to distinct eigenvalues are linearly independent; and that the boundary of the spectrum is in the approximate point spectrum.]
- (c) Show, by way of example, that for compact K we may have $\sigma_p(K) = \emptyset$.
35. Show that T in $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ (\mathcal{H} complex Hilbert space) is *normal* if and only if $\|Tx\| = \|T^*x\|$ for each x in \mathcal{H} .
36. (a) Show that for T in $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$, $\|T^*T\| = \|T\|^2$.
 (b) Show that $\|T^n\| = \|T\|^n$ if T is normal.
37. (a) Show that $\overline{\mathcal{F}(\ell_p)}^{\|\cdot\|} = \mathcal{K}(\ell_p)$ ($1 \leq p < \infty$), i.e. that the *finite rank* bounded operators on ℓ_p are norm dense in the compact operators. [Let $P_n \in \mathcal{B}(\ell_p)$ be the usual projection. Show that $\|P_n K - K\| \rightarrow 0$. Use a technique from the proof (given in class) of the fact that K^* is compact.]
 (b) Determine which multiplication operators M_a in $\mathcal{B}(\ell_p)$, $a \in \ell_{\infty}$, are compact.
38. Show that a *separable* normed vector space may be isometrically embedded into $\mathcal{B}(\ell_p)$ ($1 \leq p \leq \infty$). [Hint: first isometrically embed \mathcal{X} into ℓ_{∞} , then use multiplication operators from ℓ_{∞} .]
39. Prove the following theorem of Schauder. For a Banach space \mathcal{X} and $K \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{X})$, that $K \in \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{X})$ if and only if $K^* \in \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{X}^*)$. [For necessity, use either the proof from class, or the Arzela-Ascoli proof posted on the website.]

40. (a) Show that if $ST = TS$ in $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{X})$, then $\exp S \exp T = \exp(S + T)$.
- (b) Show that if H is a *hermitian* operator on a Hilbert space \mathcal{H} , then $\exp(iH)$ defines a unitary operator.
- (c) Prove the following theorem of Fuglede. If S in $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is *normal*, and T in $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ commutes with S , then T commutes with S^* .
41. (a) Prove that if $H \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ (\mathcal{H} a Hilbert space) is hermitian and $\lambda \in \sigma_p(H)$, then the orthogonal projection $P = P_{\ker(\lambda I - H)}$ satisfies $TP = PT$ whenever $TH = HT$ for T in $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$.
- (b) Deduce that if $H = H^*$ in $\mathcal{K}(\mathcal{H})$ with $\ker H = \{0\}$, and $TH = HT$, then there is a sequence of mutually orthogonal finite rank projections $(P_k)_{k=1,2,\dots}$ such that $Tx = \sum_{k=1,2,\dots} P_k T P_k x$ for each x in \mathcal{H} . [Use A19.]
42. Let $k \in \mathcal{C}([0, 1]^2)$, $K : L_2[0, 1] \rightarrow L_2[0, 1]$ be given by $Kf(x) = \int_0^1 k(x, y)f(y)dy$ (Lebesgue integral). Prove that $K \in \mathcal{K}(L_2[0, 1])$. Moreover, show that K is hermitian if $\overline{k(x, y)} = k(y, x)$ for x, y in $[0, 1]^2$.