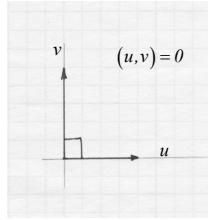


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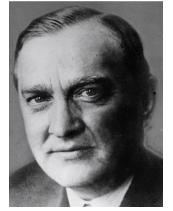
FINAL EXAM



1. (2) Banach and Hilbert Spaces.



David Hilbert
(1862–1943)



Stefan Banach
(1892–1945)

Consider the Hilbert space $L_2(0, L)$ (Chapter VI, p. 432) with the inner product $(u, v) = \int_0^L u(x)v(x)dx$.

If the function $f(x) \in L_2(0, L)$ is orthogonal to all functions $\sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right)$ for all $n = 1, 2, \dots$,

then what is this function $f(x)$? Justify your answer.

i) **Given:** $f(x)$ is orthogonal to $\sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right)$ on $(0, L)$ for all $n = 1, 2, \dots$. That means that inner product

$$\left(f(x), \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right)\right) = \int_{x=0}^L f(x)\sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right)dx = 0 \quad \text{for all } n = 1, 2, \dots$$

ii) If $f(x) \in L_2(0, L)$, then $f(x)$ can be represented by the Generalized Fourier series

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} c_k \phi_k(x), \text{ where } c_k = (f, \phi_k) = \int_{x=0}^L f(x)\phi_k(x)dx$$

over any complete set of mutually orthogonal functions $\{\phi_n(x), n = 1, 2, \dots\}$:

$$(\phi_m, \phi_n) = \int_{x=0}^L \phi_m(x)\phi_n(x)dx = 0 \quad \text{if } m \neq n$$

iii) **Facts:** a) $\left\{\sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right), n = 1, 2, \dots\right\} \in L_2(0, L)$

b) The set $\left\{\sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right), n = 1, 2, \dots\right\}$ is a complete set of mutually orthogonal functions on $(0, L)$ as a solution of the Sturm-Liouville problem: $y'' + \mu^2 y = 0$, $y(0) = 0$, $y(L) = 0$.

iv) Then $f(x) \in L_2(0, L)$ can be represented as the sine Fourier series $f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right)$,

where $a_n = \int_{x=0}^L f(x)\sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right)dx = (f(x), \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right)) = 0$ according to i).

Therefore,

$$f(x) = 0$$

General fact: Let $\{\phi_n(x), n = 1, 2, \dots\}$ be a complete set of mutually orthogonal functions:

$$(\phi_m, \phi_n) = \int_{x=0}^L \phi_m(x)\phi_n(x)dx = 0 \text{ if } m \neq n.$$

If $f(x) \notin \{\phi_n(x), n = 1, 2, \dots\}$ and $(f, \phi_n) = 0$ for all $n = 1, 2, \dots$ then $f(x) = 0$.



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Portrait of René Descartes

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Portrait of Blaise Pascal

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