

**Q1 a)**

$$(T_n f)(x) = f''(x) - n^2 f(x), x \in (-\pi, \pi), n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Using definition 6.25, which states that

Let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be a linear map between real vector spaces. The kernel is the set

$\ker(T) = \{v \in V : T(v) = 0_W\} \subset V$ . This holds true as, we are given that  $T_n$  is a linear map, it is taking functions,  $f$ , that have derivatives of all orders from the space  $F$ , and  $T_n$  is mapping from  $F$  to  $F$ .

Thus, we can setup our kernel as

$$\ker(T) = \{f \in F : f''(x) - n^2 f(x) = 0\} \subset F$$

Looking at  $f''(x) - n^2 f(x) = 0$ , this is a differential equation. We can assume the solution will be of the form  $f(x) = e^{\lambda x}$

Substituting this into the DE, we get  $\frac{d^2}{dx^2} e^{\lambda x} - n^2 e^{\lambda x} = 0$  giving  $\lambda^2 e^{\lambda x} - n^2 e^{\lambda x} = 0$

Then by factoring out  $e^{\lambda x}$  and noticing that  $e^{\lambda x} = 0$  is not a solution for any finite  $\lambda$ , then the zeros come from the polynomial  $-\lambda^2 + n^2 = 0$ . This gives  $\lambda = n$  or  $\lambda = -n$

Using these solutions, from math188, the general solution is the sum of

$f_1(x) = c_1 e^{-nx}$  and  $f_2(x) = c_2 e^{nx}$  that equates to  $f(x) = c_1 e^{-nx} + c_2 e^{nx}$  where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are arbitrary real constants

Applying this to our kernel, we get

$$\ker(T) = \{f \in F : c_1 e^{-nx} + c_2 e^{nx} = f(x), x \in (-\pi, \pi), n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}\} \subset F$$

in which  $\ker(T) = \text{span}\{e^{-nx}, e^{nx}\}$

**Q1 b)** Using part a, where we concluded that  $\ker(T) = \text{span}\{e^{-nx}, e^{nx}\}$ , then to show that this forms a basis, we need to show linear independence.

Using definition 4.20, we shall set  $Ae^{-nx} + Be^{nx} = 0$ . We can immediately notice that it is linearly independent as  $e^{nx}$  or  $e^{-nx}$  can never be  $= 0$ , (Also note here that  $n \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\}$ ) so the only solution is when  $A = B = 0$ . We can also show by using the equations

$$Ae^{-nx} + Be^{nx} = 0 \text{ and } d/dx(Ae^{-nx} + Be^{nx}) = 0 \text{ which gives}$$

$$Ae^{-nx} + Be^{nx} = 0 \text{ and } -Ane^{-nx} + Bne^{nx} = 0$$

Using equation 2, we get  $A = Be^{2nx}$ , substitute this into equation 1, and we achieve  $2Be^{nx} = 0$

and as  $e^{nx}$  cannot equal 0, thus  $B = 0$  and this also shows that  $A$  must  $= 0$  for the solution.

This means  $\{e^{-nx}, e^{nx}\}$  forms a basis for our kernel, and as there is two basis vectors, then

$$\dim(\ker(T_n)) = 2$$

Q2 a)

We should firstly convert our basis for the Kernel into an orthogonal basis, as we should notice that  $\langle e^{-nx}, e^{nx} \rangle = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-n} e^{nx} dx = 2\pi$  (As it not equal to 0, the two 'vectors' are not orthogonal). To do this, we shall use the Gram-Schmidt process.

Let  $u_1 = e^{-nx}$  and  $v_1 = e^{-nx}$  and  $v_2 = e^{nx}$  (Labelling our basis vectors here)

$$\text{Let } u_2 = v_2 - \left[ \frac{\langle v_2, u_1 \rangle}{\langle u_1, u_1 \rangle} \right] \times u_1$$

Using our definition of the inner product on F, this evaluates to

$$u_2 = e^{nx} - \frac{\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-nx} e^{nx} dx}{\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-2nx} dx} e^{-nx} = e^{nx} - \left( \frac{2\pi}{\frac{\sinh(2\pi n)}{n}} \right) e^{-nx}$$

$$\text{Note here: } \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-2nx} dx = \frac{-e^{-2\pi n} - e^{2\pi n}}{2n} = \frac{\sinh(2\pi n)}{n}$$

using the hyperbolic substitution for sinh

This expression simplifies down to

$$u_2 = e^{nx} - 2\pi n e^{-nx} \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n)$$

Thus, we have a new basis for the kernel,  $\{e^{-nx}, e^{nx} - 2\pi n e^{-nx} \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n)\}$  which indeed is orthogonal as  $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-nx} (e^{nx} - 2\pi n e^{-nx} \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n)) dx = 0$

**Q2 a) Now we can use this orthogonal basis to find the closest point in the span to the constant function 1**

Our projection is given by  $\operatorname{Proj}_{\operatorname{Ker}(T_n)} P_0$

$$= \frac{\langle P_0, e^{-nx} \rangle}{\langle e^{-nx}, e^{-nx} \rangle} u_1 + \frac{\langle P_0, e^{nx} - 2\pi n e^{-nx} \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n) \rangle}{\langle e^{nx} - 2\pi n e^{-nx} \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n), e^{nx} - 2\pi n e^{-nx} \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n) \rangle} u_2$$

which evaluates to, using the definition  $\langle f, g \rangle := \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x)g(x)dx$ ,  $f, g \in F$ ,

$$\frac{\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-nx} dx}{\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-2nx} dx} u_1 + \frac{\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{nx} - 2\pi n e^{-nx} \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n) dx}{\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (e^{nx} - 2\pi n e^{-nx} \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n))^2 dx} u_2$$

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-nx} dx \text{ using the substitution } u = -nx \text{ and } du = -ndx, \text{ equals } \frac{2\sinh(\pi n)}{n}$$

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-2nx} dx \text{ using the substitution } u = -2nx \text{ and } du = -2ndx, \text{ equals } \frac{\sinh(\pi n)}{n}$$

Thus our first term becomes  $(2\sinh(\pi n) \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n)) u_1$

$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{nx} - 2\pi n e^{-nx} \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n) dx$  simplifies to  $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{nx} dx - 2\pi \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n) \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-nx} dx$  in which for the integrand  $e^{nx}$  we use the substitution  $u = nx$  and  $du = ndx$ , and for the integrand  $e^{-nx}$  we use the substitution  $u = -nx$  and  $du = -ndx$

This gives  $\frac{2\sinh(\pi n)}{n} - 2\pi \operatorname{sech}(\pi n)$

$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (e^{nx} - 2\pi n e^{-nx} \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n))^2 dx$  expands to

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} 4\pi^2 n^2 e^{-2nx} \operatorname{csch}^2(2\pi n) + e^{2nx} - 4\pi n \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n) dx$$

This evaluates to  $\frac{\sinh(2\pi n)}{n} - 4\pi^2 n \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n)$

Thus, our second term becomes  $\frac{\frac{2\sinh(\pi n)}{n} - 2\pi \operatorname{sech}(\pi n)}{\frac{\sinh(2\pi n)}{n} - 4\pi^2 n \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n)} u_2$

Our projection then becomes

$$(2\sinh(\pi n) \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n)) u_1 - \frac{\frac{2\sinh(\pi n)}{n} - 2\pi \operatorname{sech}(\pi n)}{\frac{\sinh(2\pi n)}{n} - 4\pi^2 n \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n)} u_2$$

Thus, the closest point in the kernel is

$$(2\sinh(\pi n) \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n)) e^{-nx} - \frac{\frac{2\sinh(\pi n)}{n} - 2\pi \operatorname{sech}(\pi n)}{\frac{\sinh(2\pi n)}{n} - 4\pi^2 n \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n)} (e^{nx} - 2\pi n e^{-nx} \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n))$$

Where  $x \in (-\pi, \pi)$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

**Q2 b) Now our projection is**

$$\operatorname{Proj}_{\operatorname{Ker}(T_n)} P_1 = \frac{\langle P_1, e^{-nx} \rangle}{\langle e^{-nx}, e^{-nx} \rangle} u_1 + \frac{\langle P_1, e^{nx} - 2\pi n e^{-nx} \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n) \rangle}{\langle e^{nx} - 2\pi n e^{-nx} \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n), e^{nx} - 2\pi n e^{-nx} \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n) \rangle} u_2$$

Which gives  $\frac{\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x e^{-nx} dx}{\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-2nx} dx} u_1 + \frac{\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x (e^{nx} - 2\pi n e^{-nx} \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n)) dx}{\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (e^{nx} - 2\pi n e^{-nx} \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n))^2 dx} u_2$

$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x e^{-nx} dx$  using integration by parts gives,  $\frac{2(\sinh(\pi n) - \pi n \cosh(\pi n))}{n^2}$

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x (e^{nx} - 2\pi n e^{-nx} \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n)) dx$$

Expands to  $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x e^{nx} - 2\pi n x e^{-nx} \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n) dx$  which can be solved as

$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x e^{nx} dx + -2\pi n \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n) \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x e^{-nx} dx$  in which we just integration by parts again to achieve

$$\frac{2(\pi n \coth(\pi n) - 1)(\sinh(\pi n) + \pi n \operatorname{sech}(\pi n))}{n^2}$$

Q2b) Then using our integrals previously used before  $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-2nx} dx$  and

$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (e^{nx} - 2\pi n e^{-nx} \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n))^2 dx$  our projection evaluates to

$$\frac{2 \csc(\pi n)(\sinh(\pi n) - \pi n \cosh(\pi n))}{n} (e^{-nx}) +$$

$$\frac{2(\pi n \coth(\pi n) - 1)(\sinh(\pi n) + \pi n \operatorname{sech}(\pi n))}{n^2 (\frac{\sinh(2\pi n)}{n} - 8\pi^2 n \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n))} (e^{nx} - 2\pi n e^{-nx} \operatorname{csch}(2\pi n))$$

Which is the closest point in the kernel to  $P_1$  where  $x \in (-\pi, \pi)$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$