

MATH 8660 Sec.1: Homework No.3

Due: Tuesday, September 10

Hilbert Spaces and $H^s(\Omega)$

No.1. (8 pts.) Let H denote a Hilbert space, $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ its associated inner product, and $\|\cdot\|$ its associated norm. Let $f, g \in H$.

- (a) (i) Let $g_{\parallel} = \frac{\langle g, f \rangle}{\langle f, f \rangle} f$. Show that $g_{\perp} = g - g_{\parallel}$ is orthogonal to f .
 - (ii) Use the fact that $\|g_{\perp}\| \geq 0$ to establish the Cauchy-Schwartz inequality, $|\langle g, f \rangle| \leq \|g\| \|f\|$.
- (b) Show that: $\langle f, g \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \|f\|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|g\|^2 - \frac{1}{2} \|f - g\|^2$.
- (c) Show that (Parallelogram equality): $\|f - g\|^2 + \|f + g\|^2 = 2\|f\|^2 + 2\|g\|^2$.

No.2. (4 pts.)

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 < x < \frac{1}{2} \\ 1, & \frac{1}{2} \leq x < 1 \end{cases} .$$

Using the definition of the Sobolev-Slobedetskii norm, determine the values of $s \geq 0$ such that $f \in H^s(0, 1)$.

Hint: For $0 < s < 1$, begin by showing

$$|f|_{H^s(0,1)}^2 = \int_{y=0}^1 \int_{x=0}^1 \frac{(f(x) - f(y))^2}{|x - y|^{1+2s}} dx dy = 2 \int_{y=1/2}^1 \int_{x=0}^{1/2} \frac{1}{|x - y|^{1+2s}} dx dy .$$

No.3. (8 pts.) Point singularities in \mathbb{R}^2 .

(Recall that in \mathbb{R}^1 we have that $f(x) = x^r \in H^s(0, 1)$ for $r > s - \frac{1}{2}$.)

Let $\Omega = (0, 1) \times (0, 1) \subset \mathbb{R}^2$, and $f(\mathbf{x}) = (x^2 + y^2)^{r/2}$.

- (a) Determine r such that $f(\mathbf{x}) \in L^2(\Omega)$.
 - (b) Determine r such that $f(\mathbf{x}) \in H^1(\Omega)$.
 - (c) Comment on the connection between point singularities on a function, the Hilbert space it lies in, and how it depends on the space dimension \mathbb{R}^n .
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