

Exam paper of “Istituzioni di Analisi Matematica”

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1. Determine for which values of the real parameter a the problem

$$\min \left\{ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \{(u - \cos x)^2 + (u - \sin x)^2\} dx : u \in C^1([-\pi, \pi]), u(0) = a \right\}$$

admits a solution (note that the condition is given in the midpoint of the interval).

2. Discuss existence, uniqueness, and regularity of functions $u : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ that are *periodic* and satisfy

$$u'' = u^3 + \sin^2 x \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

3. For every positive real numbers R , c , and α , let us set

$$I(R, c, \alpha) := \inf \left\{ \int_{B_R} (|\nabla u|^2 - cu^2) dx : u \in C^\infty(B_R) \cap H^1(B_R), \int_{B_R} u dx = \alpha \right\},$$

where B_R denotes the open ball in \mathbb{R}^3 with center in the origin and radius R .

- (a) Determine whether there exists $c > 0$ such that $I(1, c, 0) = 0$.
 - (b) Determine whether there exists $c > 0$ such that $I(1, c, 0) = -\infty$.
 - (c) Determine whether there exists $R > 0$ such that $I(R, 1, 2020) = -\infty$.
4. For every measurable function $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, let us set

$$[Tf](x) = \int_0^{\sin x} \sin(f(t)) dt \quad \forall x \in [0, 1].$$

Determine whether the restriction of T defines

- (a) a continuous mapping $L^2((0, 1)) \rightarrow L^{2020}((0, 1))$,
- (b) a compact mapping $L^{2020}((0, 1)) \rightarrow L^2((0, 1))$,
- (c) a compact mapping $C^0([0, 1]) \rightarrow C^1([0, 1])$.

Every step has to be *suitably* motivated. Every exercise is marked considering the *correctedness* of the arguments provided and the *clarity* of the presentation. Just writing the answer without explanations deserves no marks.