

# Exam paper of “Istituzioni di Analisi Matematica”

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1. Prove that there exists a sequence of functions  $u_n : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  of class  $C^\infty$  such that

- $\{u_n\}$  is an orthonormal basis of  $L^2((0, 1))$ ,
- $u_n(0) = u_n(1) = 0$  for every positive integer  $n$ ,
- for every positive integer  $n$ , there exists a negative real number  $\lambda_n$  such that

$$(\cos x \cdot u'_n(x))' = \lambda_n u_n(x) \quad \forall x \in [0, 1].$$

2. Discuss existence, uniqueness and regularity of solutions to the boundary value problem

$$u'' = -1 + \sqrt{u}, \quad u(0) = 1/2, \quad u(2020) = 1.$$

3. For every positive real number  $R$ , let  $B_R$  denote the ball in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with center in the origin and radius  $R$ . For every real number  $p > 1$ , and every real number  $r \in (0, 1)$ , let us set

$$I(p, r) := \inf \left\{ \int_{B_1 \setminus B_r} (|\nabla u|^p + u^{2020}) \, dx : u \in C^\infty(B_1), \, u(x) = 1 \text{ for every } x \in B_r \right\}.$$

- Prove that  $I(p, r) > 0$  for every  $p > 1$  and every  $r \in (0, 1)$ ,
- Prove that for every  $p > 1$  there exists

$$\ell(p) := \lim_{r \rightarrow 0^+} I(p, r).$$

- Determine the values of  $p > 1$  such that  $\ell(p) = 0$ .

4. For every measurable function  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , let us define  $Tf : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  as

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

Determine whether the restriction of  $T$  defines

- a bounded operator  $C^0([0, 1]) \rightarrow C^0([0, 1])$  (in case, compute the norm of the operator),
- a bounded operator  $L^2((0, 1)) \rightarrow L^\infty((0, 1))$  (in case, compute the norm of the operator),
- a compact operator  $L^2((0, 1)) \rightarrow C^0([0, 1])$
- an open mapping  $L^2((0, 1)) \rightarrow L^{2020}((0, 1))$ .

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.