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- MA670
 - 1. Chapter 9, #9.
 - 2. Imitate the proof of theorem 9.1 to show that if

$$K \star f(x) = \int_0^\infty K(x/y)f(y)dy/y,$$

then for $1 \leq p \leq \infty$

$$||K \star f||_{L^p(dy/y)} \le ||K||_{L^1(dy/y)} ||f||_{L^p(dy/y)}$$

Hints: The \star product is commutative. Also, it may be useful to know that dy/y is the Haar measure for the group $(0, \infty)$ with multiplication as the group product. This implies that

$$\int_0^\infty f(ax)dx/x = \int_0^\infty f(x)dx/x$$

and

$$\int_0^\infty f(1/x)dx/x = \int_0^\infty f(x)dx/x.$$

If you wish to use these hints, you should prove them as part of your solution.

3. Let \mathcal{H} be the collections of real-valued functions f such that f is absolutely continuous on [0,1], f(0) = f(1) = 0 and so that the norm on \mathcal{H} given by

$$||f|| = \left(\int_0^1 |f'(t)|^2 dt\right)^{1/2}$$

is finite.

- (a) Prove \mathcal{H} is a Hilbert space over \mathbf{R} .
- (b) Prove that

$$|f(x)| \le \|f\|.$$

Hint: Since f is absolutely continuous on [0, 1], a fundamental theorem of calculus holds.

(c) Consider

$$I(f) = \int_0^1 \frac{1}{2} (|f'(x)|^2 + p(x)f(x)^2) - f(x)F(x) \, dx$$

where $p \in L^{\infty}([0,1])$ and is nonnegative and F is in L^1 . Prove that

$$I(f) \ge \frac{1}{2} \|f\|^2 - \|F\|_{L^1} \|f\|.$$

Conclude that I(f) is bounded below on \mathcal{H} .

(d) Let f_i be a sequence in \mathcal{H} for which

$$\lim_{i \to \infty} I(f_i) = \inf_{\mathcal{H}} I(f).$$

Prove $\{f_i\}$ converges in \mathcal{H} . (Hint: Imitate the proof that projections exist in Hilbert space.)

(e) Let u be the limit of the sequence I and show that

$$I(u) = \inf_{f \in \mathcal{H}} I(f).$$

(f) Compute

$$\left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} I(u+t\phi), \qquad \phi \in \mathcal{H}.$$

Why is this derivative 0? (Hint: This is easy.)

(g) Using your answer to the previous question, show that if u has two continuous derivatives, then

$$-u'' + pu = F.$$

(h) Show that if u has two continuous derivatives and satisfies

$$-u'' + pu = F,$$

then

$$\int_0^1 u' \phi' + p u \phi - F \phi \, dx = 0, \qquad \phi \in \mathcal{H}.$$