Methods of Applied Mathematics MATH 570a

Text: Linear Operator Theory in Science and Engineering, by A. W. Naylor and G. R. Sell

The techniques of this course provide a powerful framework for analyzing infinite dimensional problems arising in virtually every modeling problem in Applied Mathematics and the Physical Sciences in the broadest sense. The course is intended to serve primarily students of the Applied Sciences: Economics, Engineering, Physics and Applied Mathematics Majors.

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GRADING POLICY

2 Midterm exams – 40% of grade Homework – 35% Final – 25%

Class Schedule

Weeks		Chapter
1 - 3	convergence and equivalent metrics	3A
4 – 5	Countability, compactness, completeness and completions, contraction mapping theorem, integral equations	3B
6 - 7	Linear spaces, Hamel basis and dimension, function spaces, linear transformations, isometries, inverse transformations, projections, extension of linear transformations, linear functionals, hyperplanes, conjugate space,	4
8 – 9	Banach space, continuous linear transformations, spaces of linear operators, closed operators, complementary subspaces, dual spaces	5A
10 -11	Inner product and Hilbert spaces, orthonormal basis, generalized Fourier series	5B
12 -13	Continuous linear functionals, Fourier transform pair, unitary operators	5B
14 -15	Self-adjoint operators, unbounded operators, position and momentum operators, Heisenberg uncertainty principle	12 & 13