

Math 511

Operator theory and applications

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Course Information

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<http://www.math.ubc.ca/~rfroese/math511>
will be updated throughout the term.

Problem sets

I will post problem sets here periodically throughout the term. Your grade in the course will be based on these.

Prerequisites

- A course in measure theory at the level of UBC's Math 420/507, and the basics of Hilbert and Banach spaces (which we will review).

(Optional) Text

- Reed and Simon, *Methods of Modern Mathematical Physics, Vol I*: This is an excellent book, but very expensive, so it is not required.

Topics

1. Review of Hilbert spaces and Banach spaces

- Definitions, examples, strong and weak convergence.

2. Bounded operators on Hilbert space

- Topologies, adjoints, self-adjoint operators, resolvents and spectrum, spectral radius, unitary operators, (partial) isometries, positive operators, polar decomposition, spectral theorem for bounded self-adjoint operators.

3: Unbounded operators

- Closed operators, extensions, adjoints, resolvents and spectrum, symmetric and self adjoint operators, spectral theorem, unitary groups and Stone's theorem, quadratic forms

4: Compact operators

- Definitions, analytic Fredholm theorem, trace ideals, trace, determinant and Lidski's theorem, $g(p)f(x)$