## PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION: APPLIED MATHEMATICS—Part I

January 15, 2016, 1:00-2:30

Work all 3 of the following 3 problems.

- 1. Let  $A \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $B \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be closed and bounded (i.e., compact). Let  $T: C(A) \to C(B)$  be a linear map taking continuous functions on A to continuous functions on B. Suppose that T is positive  $(T \ge 0)$  in the sense that  $Tf(y) \ge 0$  for all  $y \in B$  whenever  $f(x) \ge 0$  for all  $x \in A$ .
  - (a) Prove that the map T is continuous and that  $||T|| = ||T(1)||_{L^{\infty}(B)}$ .
  - (b) Let  $T_n: C(A) \to C(B)$  be an increasing family of maps  $(T_{n+1} T_n \ge 0 \text{ for all } n)$ . Prove that  $T_n$  converges in the operator norm if and only if  $T_n(1)$  converges in the norm of C(B).

## 2. Let X be an NLS.

- (a) State what it means for a sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  in X to converge weakly to x, and show that in this case,  $||x_n||$  is uniformly bounded.
- (b) Define the weak topology on X and describe a base for the weak topology at 0.
- (c) Let H be a separable Hilbert space and  $T: H \to H$  a bounded linear operator. Suppose that  $f \in H$  and there is a sequence  $f_n \in H$  such that  $f_n \stackrel{w}{\rightharpoonup} f$  and there is a solution  $x_n$  so that  $Tx_n = f_n$  for all n. Suppose that  $x_n$  is bounded, and prove that there is  $x \in H$  such that Tx = f.

## **3.** Let H be a Hilbert space.

- (a) If M is a nonempty subset of H, show that the span of M is dense in H if and only if  $M^{\perp} = \{0\}$ .
- (b) Let  $T: H \to H$  be a bounded linear operator. Let N = N(T) be the null space of T and R(T) be the range or image of T. Let  $P: H \to N$  be orthogonal projection onto N. Show that  $S = T \circ P^{\perp}$  is a one-to-one mapping when restricted to  $N^{\perp}$  and that R(S) = R(T).