

Functional Analysis PhD Exam Jan 2011

Do only 5 of the 8 problems

- 1) ① State the Krein-Milman Theorem and sketch the proof. *Correct*
- ② Prove that if A is an element of a Banach algebra \mathcal{U} then the spectrum of A is a non-empty closed subset of the closed disk in \mathbb{C} with center 0 and radius $\|A\|$.
- ③ State the "Function Representation Theorem" involving an abelian C^* -algebra \mathcal{U} in terms of $C(\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{U}))$, where $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{U})$ is the set of all pure states of \mathcal{U} . Sketch the proof of this theorem.
- ④ State and sketch the proof of the theorem involving $A \cong C(X)$, where A is an abelian von Neumann algebra and X is an extremely disconnected compact Hausdorff space. *Forget to mention Boolean sets*
- * ⑤ Give the main elements of the Gelfand-Neumark-Segal construction. State the theorem involving a state ρ of a C^* -algebra \mathcal{U} and a cyclic representation π_ρ of \mathcal{U} on a Hilbert space \mathcal{H}_ρ . List the main steps in the proof. *Correct*
- ⑥ Let \mathcal{U} be a C^* -algebra. State and prove equivalent conditions for $A \in \mathcal{U}^+$. *correct*
- ⑦ Let H be a self-adjoint operator on a Hilbert space. Define the Cayley transform $U(H)$ and show that $H \rightarrow U(H)$ on the self-adjoint operators is strong-operator continuous.
- ⑧ Let \mathcal{A} be the algebra of multiplications by elements of $L_\infty(S, \mathcal{S}, m)$ on $L_2 = L_2(S, \mathcal{S}, m)$. If T is a bounded operator on L_2 commuting with \mathcal{A} , show $T \in \mathcal{A}$. Assume $m(S) < \infty$. *correct*