

BSc and MSci EXAMINATIONS (MATHEMATICS)

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1. (a) (i) Using the geometric series we have

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$$(2^{-4} + 2^{-5} + 2^{-6}) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 2^{-6k} = \frac{7}{64} \frac{1}{1 - 2^{-6}} = \frac{7}{64} \frac{64}{63} = \frac{1}{9}.$$

The exponent is  $-4 = 11 - 15$  hence the bits are:

0 01011 1100011100

- (ii) We have

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$$(1/9 * (1 + \delta_1) - 1)(1 + \delta_2) = -8/9 + \underbrace{\delta_1/9 - 8/9\delta_2 + \delta_1\delta_2/9}_{\delta}$$

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where

$$|\delta| \leq \epsilon_m/2(1/9 + 8/9 + 1/9) \leq \epsilon_m$$

i.e.  $c = 1$ .

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- (b) (i) We have

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$$f(x+h) = f(x) + f'(x)h + \frac{f''(t_1)}{2}h^2$$

$$f(x-h) = f(x) - f'(x)h + \frac{f''(t_2)}{2}h^2$$

where  $t_1, t_2 \in [-h, h]$ . Thus we have

$$\frac{f(x+h) + f(x-h) - 2f(x)}{2h^2} = \frac{f''(t_1) + f''(t_2)}{4}$$

hence the error is bounded by

$$Mh(1/2 + 1)/3 = Mh/2.$$

- (ii) We have

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$$g(h) \oplus g(0) = (f(h) + f(0) + \delta_h + \delta_0)(1 + \delta^1) = f(h) + f(0) + \underbrace{(f(h) + f(0))\delta^1 + (\delta_h + \delta_0)(1 + \delta^1)}_{\delta^2}$$

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where  $|\delta^2| \leq (N + 4c)\epsilon_m$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} (g(h) \oplus g(0)) \ominus 2g(-h) &= (f(h) + f(0) - 2f(-h) + \delta^2 - 2\delta_{-h})(1 + \delta_3) \\ &= f(h) + f(0) - 2f(-h) \\ &\quad + \underbrace{(f(h) + f(0) - 2f(-h))\delta_3 + (\delta^2 - 2\delta_{-h})(1 + \delta_3)}_{\delta^3} \end{aligned}$$

where  $|\delta^3| \leq (4N + 8c)\epsilon_m$ . Putting everything together we have

$$\frac{(g(h) \oplus g(0)) \ominus 2g(-h)}{3h} = \frac{f(h) + f(0) - 2f(-h)}{3h} + \frac{\delta^3}{3h} = f'(0) + Mh/2 + \frac{\delta^3}{3h}$$

hence  $A = M/2$  and  $B = 4N/3 + 8c/3$ .

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- (c) (i)

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$$\exp(\cos(1/2 + \epsilon)) = \exp(\cos(1/2) - \sin(1/2)\epsilon) = \exp(\cos(1/2) - \sin(1/2)) \exp(\cos(1/2)\epsilon)$$

- (ii) hence the derivative is  $-\sin(1/2) \exp(\cos(1/2))$ .  
A dual extension is a definition that is consistent with differentiation. Hence we have

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$$\text{erf}(a + b\epsilon) := \text{erf}(a) + \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} b \exp(-a^2) \epsilon.$$

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2. (a) Let  $K \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times (m-n)}$  be a matrix with orthonormal columns so that

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$$U = [K|Q] \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$$

is orthogonal. Then

$$A = QL = U \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0_{(m-n) \times n} \\ L \end{bmatrix}}_{\tilde{L}}$$

Thus

$$\|A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|^2 = \|U\tilde{L}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|^2 = \|\tilde{L}\mathbf{x} - U^\top \mathbf{b}\|^2 = \|L\mathbf{x} - Q^\top \mathbf{b}\|^2 + \text{const}$$

where the constant term is independent of  $\mathbf{x}$ . The first term is minimised when it is 0, and thus  $\mathbf{x} = L^{-1}Q^\top \mathbf{b}$ .

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- (b) Assuming  $\alpha > 0$  write

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$$K_n^\alpha := \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 1 & & & \\ 1 & 3 & 1 & & \\ & 1 & 3 & \ddots & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & 1 \\ & & & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{\alpha} & \\ \frac{\mathbf{e}_1}{\sqrt{\alpha}} & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \\ & A_{n-1} - \frac{\mathbf{e}_1 \mathbf{e}_1^\top}{\alpha} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{\alpha} & \frac{\mathbf{e}_1^\top}{\sqrt{\alpha}} \\ & I \end{bmatrix}$$

But note that  $A_{n-1} - \frac{\mathbf{e}_1 \mathbf{e}_1^\top}{\alpha} = K_{n-1}^{3-1/\alpha}$ . Note if  $\alpha > 1$  then  $3 - 1/\alpha > 1$ . Hence by induction and the fact that  $A_n = K_n^3$  we conclude that the matrix has a Cholesky decomposition and hence is symmetric positive definite.

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- (c) (i)

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$$\|A\|_1 = \max_j \|A\mathbf{e}_j\|_1 = \max(3, 9, 7) = 9$$

$$\|A\|_\infty = \max_k \|\mathbf{e}_k^\top A\|_1 = \max(3, 9, 7) = 9$$

- (ii) Compute the PLU decomposition of,

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

We begin by permuting the first and second row as  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ , hence,

$$P_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad P_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

We then choose,

$$L_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad L_1 P_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & \frac{9}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

There is no need to permute at this stage, so  $P_2 = I_3$ , the 3-dimensional identity. Then we can choose,

$$L_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad L_2 P_2 L_1 P_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 11/2 \end{bmatrix} =: U$$

Since  $P_2 = I_3$ , this reduces to  $L_2 L_1 P_1 A = U \Rightarrow A = P_1^\top L_1^{-1} L_2^{-1} U$ . Since  $P_1$  simply permutes two rows, it is its own inverse, and  $L_1^{-1} L_2^{-1}$  is simply,

$$L := L_1^{-1} L_2^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence, we have  $A = P^\top L U$ , where,

$$P^\top = P_1^\top = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad U = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 11/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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(d) We have the system:

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$$\begin{aligned} u_1 &= 1 \\ \frac{u_2 - u_1}{h} &= at_1 \\ \frac{u_3 - u_1}{2h} &= at_1 \\ \frac{u_4 - u_2}{2h} &= at_2 \\ &\vdots \\ \frac{u_n - u_{n-2}}{2h} &= at_{n-2} \end{aligned}$$

This has the lower bidiagonal discretisation

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ -1/h & 1/h & & & \\ -1/(2h) & 0 & 1/(2h) & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & -1/(2h) & 0 & 1/(2h) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ at_1 \\ at_1 \\ \vdots \\ at_{n-2} \end{bmatrix}$$

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3. (a) We have

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$$\sin 3\theta = e^{3i\theta}/(2i) - e^{-3i\theta}/(2i)$$

hence  $\hat{f}_{-3} = -1/(2i)$  and  $\hat{f}_3 = 1/(2i)$ , and  $\hat{f}_k = 0$  otherwise.

We use these to deduce the following:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{f}_k^1 &= \hat{f}_{-3} + \hat{f}_3 = 0 \\ \hat{f}_{2p}^2 &= 0, \hat{f}_{1+2p}^2 = \hat{f}_{-3} + \hat{f}_3 = 0 \\ \hat{f}_{3p}^3 &= \hat{f}_{-3} + \hat{f}_3 = 0, \hat{f}_k^3 = 0 \text{ otherwise} \\ \hat{f}_{4p}^4 &= 0, \hat{f}_{4p+1}^4 = \hat{f}_{-3} = -1/(2i), \hat{f}_{4p+2}^4 = 0, \hat{f}_{4p+3}^4 = \hat{f}_3 = 1/(2i) \\ \hat{f}_{5p}^5 &= 0, \hat{f}_{5p+1}^5 = 0, \hat{f}_{5p+2}^5 = \hat{f}_{-3} = -1/(2i), \hat{f}_{5p+3}^5 = \hat{f}_3 = 1/(2i), \hat{f}_{5p+4}^5 = 0, \\ \hat{f}_{3+6p}^6 &= \hat{f}_{-3} + \hat{f}_3 = 0, \hat{f}_k^6 = 0.\end{aligned}$$

For  $n \geq 7$  we then have

$$\hat{f}_{-3+np}^n = \hat{f}_{-3}, \hat{f}_{3+np}^n = \hat{f}_3, \hat{f}_k^n = \hat{f}_k \text{ otherwise.}$$

(b) (i) Note since  $w(x) = w(-x)$  we know that  $a_n = 0$  in the 3-term recurrence. Note that

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$$\|R_0\|^2 = \int_{-1}^1 (1-x^2)dx = 4/3$$

Thus we have

$$xR_0(x) = R_1(x)$$

hence  $R_1(x) = x$ . Then

$$xR_1(x) = c_0R_0(x) + R_2(x)$$

where

$$c_0 = \langle xR_1, R_0 \rangle / \|R_0\|^2 = \frac{3}{4} \int_{-1}^1 (1-x^2)x^2 dx = 1/5.$$

Thus

$$R_2(x) = xR_1(x) - c_0R_0(x) = x^2 - 1/5.$$

(ii) Denote

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$$p_n(x) = \frac{(n+2)!}{(2(n+1))!} \frac{(-)^n}{1-x^2} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} [(1-x^2)^{n+1}].$$

We want to show (1) graded polynomials, (2) orthogonal to all lower degree polynomials and (3) right normalisation constant. To show (1) note that

$$\frac{d^n}{dx^n} [(1-x^2)^{n+1}]$$

is a degree  $2(n+1) - n = n+2$  polynomial that vanishes at  $\pm 1$ . Thus dividing by  $1-x^2$  we have a degree  $n$  polynomial. To show (2) we simple integrate by parts: let  $r_m$  be a degree  $m < n$  polynomial, then

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{-1}^1 p_n(x)r_m(x)(1-x^2)dx &= \text{const.} \int_{-1}^1 \frac{d^n}{dx^n} [(1-x^2)^{n+1}] r_m(x) dx \\ &= \underbrace{\qquad\qquad\qquad}_{\text{integrate by parts } n \text{ times}} \\ &= \text{const.} (-)^n (1-x^2)^{n+1} r_m^{(n)}(x) dx = 0.\end{aligned}$$

For (3) consider

$$\begin{aligned}(1-x^2)p_n(x) &= \frac{(n+2)!}{(2(n+1))!}(-)^n \frac{d^n}{dx^n}[(-)^{n+1}x^{2n+2} + O(x^{2n+1})] \\ &= -\frac{(n+2)!}{(2(n+1))!}(2n+2) \cdots (n+3)x^{n+2} + O(x^{n+1}) = -x^{n+2} + O(x^{n+1})\end{aligned}$$

We note by uniqueness that  $p_n(x) = cR_n(x)$  so we just need to show that  $c = 1$ . But we have

$$(1-x^2)p_n(x) = c(1-x^2)R_n(x) = -cx^{n+2} + O(x^{n+1})$$

- (c) which shows that  $c = 1$  and  $p_n(x) = R_n(x)$ .  
The two quadrature points are the roots of  $R_2(x)$ , that is:

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$$x_1 = -1/\sqrt{5}, x_2 = 1/\sqrt{5}.$$

To determine the weights we compute the integral of the Lagrange interpolating polynomial (noting that  $\int_{-1}^1 w(x)x dx = 0$  by symmetry to simplify the computation):

$$w_1 = \int_{-1}^1 w(x)\ell_1(x)dx = \int_{-1}^1 (1-x^2)\frac{x-x_2}{x_1-x_2}dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 (1-x^2)dx = \frac{2}{3}.$$

Again by symmetry  $w_2 = w_1$ . Thus we get the quadrature rule:

$$\frac{2}{3}(p(-1/\sqrt{5}) + p(1/\sqrt{5}))$$

Hint: double check its correct. For  $p(x) = 1$  we have

$$\frac{2}{3}(p(-1/\sqrt{5}) + p(1/\sqrt{5})) = \frac{4}{3} = \int_{-1}^1 (1-x^2)dx$$

For  $p(x) = x$  the integral is zero. For  $p(x) = x^2$  we have:

$$\frac{2}{3}(p(-1/\sqrt{5}) + p(1/\sqrt{5})) = \frac{4}{15} = \int_{-1}^1 (1-x^2)x^2dx$$

For  $p(x) = x^3$  the integral is also zero.

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**Review of mark distribution:**

Total A marks: 19 of 32 marks

Total B marks: 17 of 20 marks

Total C marks: 9 of 12 marks

Total D marks: 15 of 16 marks

Total marks: 60 of 80 marks

Total Mastery marks: 0 of 20 marks