

**NANYANG TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY**

**SEMESTER I EXAMINATION 2024-2025**

**MH4700 - NUMERICAL ANALYSIS II**

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TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES.**

1. This examination paper contains **FIVE (5)** questions and comprises **FOUR (4)** printed pages.
2. Answer **ALL** questions. The marks for each question are indicated at the beginning of each question.
3. Begin each question on a **FRESH** page of the answer book.
4. This is a **CLOSED BOOK** exam.
5. Candidates may use calculators. However, they should systematically write down the steps in their working.

**Question 1****(20 Marks)**

Consider the differential equation

$$Y'(t) = f(t, Y(t)), \quad Y(t_0) = Y_0.$$

- (i) Use Taylor series, find coefficients  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  so that the Runge-Kutta method

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + h[a f(t_i, y_i) + \frac{1}{3} f(t_i + bh, y_i + ch f(t_i, y_i))]$$

is of second order accuracy.

- (ii) Show that this method is not absolutely stable.  
 (iii) How do you use Richardson's extrapolation to improve the accuracy of the method?

**Question 2****(20 Marks)**

Consider the differential equation

$$Y'(t) = f(t, Y(t)), \quad Y(t_0) = Y_0.$$

- (i) Use interpolation to derive the trapezoidal method

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + \frac{h}{2}[f(t_i, y_i) + f(t_{i+1}, y_{i+1})].$$

- (ii) Use Taylor series to find coefficients  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  so that the method

$$y_{i+1} = y_{i-1} + h[af(t_{i+1}, y_{i+1}) + bf(t_i, y_i) + cf(t_{i-1}, y_{i-1})]$$

is of the best possible level of accuracy.

Show that the best possible level of accuracy is  $O(h^4)$ .

How do you choose the initial values  $y_0$  and  $y_1$  so that this level of accuracy is achieved?

**Question 3****(15 Marks)**

Consider the heat equation

$$\begin{aligned} u_t &= u_{xx} + f(x, t), \quad x \in (0, 1), \quad t > 0, \\ u(0, t) &= a(t), \quad u(1, t) = b(t), \quad t > 0, \\ u(x, 0) &= g(x), \quad x \in (0, 1). \end{aligned}$$

- (i) Derive an implicit finite difference method with truncation error  $O(\Delta t) + O((\Delta x)^2)$  for the equation.
- (ii) Write the method in the matrix form.

**Question 4****(10 Marks)**

Consider the equation

$$u_t + au_x = 0, \quad a > 0.$$

Let  $r = a\Delta t/\Delta x$ . Prove that the Crank-Nicholson scheme

$$-\frac{r}{4}v_{j-1}^{m+1} + v_j^{m+1} + \frac{r}{4}v_{j+1}^{m+1} = \frac{r}{4}v_{j-1}^m + v_j^m - \frac{r}{4}v_{j+1}^m$$

is unconditionally stable.

**Question 5****(35 Marks)**

Consider the wave equation

$$\begin{aligned} u_{tt} &= u_{xx}, \quad x \in (0, 1), \quad t > 0, \\ u(0, t) &= u(1, t) = 0, \quad t > 0, \\ u(x, 0) &= f(x), \quad u_t(x, 0) = g(x), \quad x \in (0, 1). \end{aligned}$$

- (i) Derive the finite difference method

$$\frac{v_j^{m+1} - 2v_j^m + v_j^{m-1}}{(\Delta t)^2} = \frac{v_{j-1}^m - 2v_j^m + v_{j+1}^m}{(\Delta x)^2}.$$

- (ii) Use von Neumann method to derive the stability condition for the method in part (i).
- (iii) Let  $\mathbf{A}$  be the matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{(\Delta x)^2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Show that the method

$$\mathbf{v}^{m+1} - 2\mathbf{v}^m + \mathbf{v}^{m-1} = -\frac{(\Delta t)^2}{4} \mathbf{A} (\mathbf{v}^{m+1} + 2\mathbf{v}^m + \mathbf{v}^{m-1})$$

is unconditionally stable. Here  $\mathbf{v}^m = [v_1^m, \dots, v_n^m]^\top$ .

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