

**Take-home Final exam. Problem 1. Due Thursday, May 16, 11:59 PM**

- All codes must be written by you from scratch. All codes must be linked to the pdf file.
- Every student must work independently.
- You should submit a single pdf file with your solutions and link your codes to it.
- You should type your solutions. I will deduct 10% of your score for a handwritten solution.
- You can use any course materials and any textbooks. You are not allowed to use help of other people and of Chat GPT.

1. (10 pts) Consider the van der Pol oscillator

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} - \mu(1 - x^2)\frac{dx}{dt} + x = 0. \quad (1)$$

Introduce  $y = \frac{dx}{dt}$  and rewrite it as a system of two ODEs for  $x$  and  $y$ . This oscillator is famous due to its stable limit cycle. As the parameter  $\mu$  increases, the ODE system becomes more and more stiff. You will need to use the DIRK2 method for integrating

this ODE system:  $\begin{array}{c|cc} \gamma & \gamma & 0 \\ 1 & 1-\gamma & \gamma \\ \hline & 1-\gamma & \gamma \end{array}$  where  $\gamma = 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ . Then DIRK2 is L-stable and 2nd-order accurate.

In all cases, use  $(x = 2, y = 0)$  as the initial condition. At large enough  $\mu$ , this point lies close enough to the limit cycle.

- (a) Set  $\mu = 10^2$ ,  $T_{\max} = 200$ , and choose time step  $h = 10^{-3}$ . Implement the DIRK2 method and integrate the ODE. Measure the CPU time. Plot  $x$  and  $y$  versus  $T$  in Figure 1 and  $y$  versus  $x$  in Figure 2.

Try to increase  $\mu$  to  $10^3$  while leaving all other settings unchanged and plot the same graphs. It should be clear that the numerical solution with a constant time step that is small enough so that the figure in the  $xy$ -plane looks nice and for a time long enough so that the whole period is displayed will take too long.

- (b) Make the time step adaptive using the approach illustrated on page 22 in `ODEsolvers.pdf`. Set `atol = rtol = 1e-5`, propose one more vector  $b$  in the Butcher array that makes the method 1st order, introduce the automatic error estimate  $e$  and the step acceptance criterion

$$\|e\| < \text{atol} + \text{rtol} \cdot \|[x, y]\|. \quad (2)$$

Propose an algorithm that increases, leaves the same, or decreases the time step depending on the relationship between  $\|e\|$  and  $\text{atol} + \text{rtol} \cdot \|[x, y]\|$ . Use the resulting solver to integrate the ODE with  $\mu = 10^6$  on the time interval  $[0, 2 \cdot 10^6]$ . Measure the CPU time. Plot  $x$  and  $y$  versus  $T$  in Figure 1 and  $y$  versus  $x$  in Figure 3.

2. (10 pts) Consider the following Boundary Value Problem (BVP) in 2D:

$$\nabla \cdot (e^{-\beta V(x,y)} M(x,y) \nabla u) = 0, \quad (x,y) \in \Omega \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial n} = 0, \quad u \in \Gamma_N \quad (4)$$

$$u(\partial A) = 0, \quad u(\partial B) = 1, \quad (5)$$

The domain  $\Omega$  is the square  $[-1, 1]^2$  with two removed circles  $A$  and  $B$  of radii 0.2 centered at  $(-0.5, -0.1 \sin(0.5\pi))$  and  $(0.5, 0.1 \sin(0.5\pi))$  respectively. The scalar function  $V(x, y)$  and the matrix function  $M(x, y)$  are given, respectively, by

$$V(x, y) = \cos(2\pi x) + (y - 0.1 \sin(\pi x))^2,$$

$$M(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 + 0.5 \cos(\pi x) & 0.5 \sin(\pi x) \\ 0.5 \sin(\pi x) & 1 + 0.5 \cos(\pi x) \end{bmatrix}.$$

The boundary  $\Gamma_N$  is the outer boundary of the square. Set  $\beta = 1$ .

- Derive an integral equation formulation for the problem (3)–(5) similar to Eq. (66) in `elliptic.pdf`.
- Triangulate the domain  $\Omega$  and plot your triangulation.
- Adapt the FEM solver for this problem and solve it. Explain how you compute the entries of the stiffness matrix. Plot the FEM solution using `plt.tricontourf` in Python or `trisurf` and `view(2)` in Matlab.

3. (10 pts) Consider the following traffic model

$$\rho_t + [\rho v(\rho)]_x = 0, \quad \text{where} \quad v(\rho) = 1 - \rho^2. \quad (6)$$

The function  $\rho(t, x)$  is the density of the traffic, and the function  $v(\rho(t, x))$  is the velocity of the traffic. The initial density is given by

$$\rho(0, x) = \rho_0(x) = \begin{cases} 0.1, & x < 0 \\ 0.1 + 0.8x, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0.9, & x > 1 \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

- Find the equation of characteristics and plot them starting at  $x_0 = -2, -1.9, -1.8, \dots, 2$ .
- Find the time at which the shock first forms.
- Find the shock speed at large times.
- Solve the equation numerically using Godunov's method on the computational domain  $x \in [-2, 2]$  for time  $t \in [0, 10]$ . You must choose an appropriate numerical flux function. Write out this flux function in your pdf file. Plot the numerical solution at time  $t = 1, 2, \dots, 10$ .