

**Rules and format:**

- You are welcome to discuss this exam with me (David Maxwell) to ask for hints and so forth.
- If you find a suspected typo, please contact me as soon as possible and I will communicate it to the class if needed.
- You may not discuss the exam with anyone else until after the due date/time.
- You are permitted to reference any text you would like in solving these problems.
- Each problem is weighted equally.
- The due date/time is absolutely firm.

1. Text, 1.15

2. Text, 5.4. Then, taking  $\ell = 1$ , find the exact solution with  $u(x, 0) = \sin(\pi x)$ . Finally, write a code that implements the method and verifies against this initial condition that the desired rate of convergence is achieved.

3. Consider the problem

$$u_{xx} + \gamma u^4 = f(x)$$

on the interval  $0 \leq x \leq 1$  with  $u(0) = u(1) = 0$ .

a) If  $u(x) = \sin(3\pi x)$ , what is the value of  $f(x)$ ?

b) Write a code to solve this problem based on the following approach:

- Use centered differences to approximate the second derivative and derive an algebraic system to solve for a vector of unknowns  $u_i$  that approximate  $u(x_i)$ .
- Implement a numerical method to solve the system (with user-supplied right-hand side  $f$  and constant  $\gamma$ ) by applying Newton's method to approximate the solution of the algebraic system. Newton's method will be applied to a system of the form  $F(u) = 0$ , and iterations should stop when the residual norm  $\|F(u)\|$  has been reduced by  $10^{-9}$  of its original value.
- Show that with the verification case from part a), and separately with  $\gamma = 0$ , that your code exhibits  $O(h^2)$  convergence.

4. The TR-BDF2 method is an implicit second-order Runge-Kutta method of the following form.

$$\begin{aligned} u_* &= u_n + \frac{k}{4} [f(u_n) + f(u_*)] \\ u_{n+1} &= \frac{1}{3} [4u_* - u_n + kf(u_{n+1})] \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

- a) Show that this method is  $L$ -stable.
- b) Write a numerical code using TR-BDF2 as the basis for solving the heat equation  $u_t = u_{xx}$  in a Method of Lines approach. Verify, using the test case of Homework 6, problem 1c, that you observe  $O(h^2)$  convergence.
- c) Discuss the merits of this strategy versus Backwards Euler and Crank Nicolson.