

## Examination, 5 June 2024 TMA373 and MMG801

### Read this before you start!

*I'll try to come at ca. 15:00 and 16:20. You can ask for calling me (0317723021) in case of questions.*

*Aid: Chalmers approved calculators.*

*Read all questions first and then start to answer the ones you feel most comfortable with. Some parts of an exercise may be independent of the others.*

*I tried to use the same notation as in the lecture.*

*Answers may be given in English, French, German or Swedish.*

*Write down all the details of your computations clearly so that each steps are easy to follow.*

*Do not randomly display equations and hope for me to find the correct one. Justify your answers.*

*Write clearly what your solutions are and in the nicest possible form.*

*Don't forget that you can verify your solution in some cases.*

*Use a proper pen and order your answers if possible. **Thank you!***

*Feel free to write more than one solution on one piece of paper (save paper).*

*The test has 4 pages and a total of 50 points.*

*Preliminary grading limits: 3:20-29p, 4:30-39p, 5:40-50p (Chalmers) and G:20-34p, VG:35-50p (GU). Valid bonus points will be added to the total score if needed.*

*You will be informed via Canvas when the exams are corrected.*

*Good luck!*

*Some exercises were taken from, or inspired by, materials from M. Asadzadeh, C. Cotter, P. Frey.*

### 1. Provide concise answers to the following short questions:

- (a) Give an example of an elliptic PDE. Justify your answer. (2p)
- (b) Give a nodal basis to the space of polynomials  $\mathcal{P}^{(1)}(0, 1)$  (a name is enough if you don't remember the formulas)? What is the dimension of this space? (2p)
- (c) Use (one step of) the trapezoidal rule to approximate the area under the function  $f(x) = x^2$  between  $x = 1$  and  $x = 3$ . (1p)
- (d) Give the general formula for the explicit Euler scheme, with time step  $k$ , when applied to the IVP  $\dot{y}(t) = f(y(t))$ ,  $y(0) = y_0$ . (1p)
- (e) What is an estimate for the a priori error estimate, measured in the energy norm, of the (continuous and piecewise linear) FEM with mesh size  $h$  for the model problem (Poisson's equation in 1d with homogeneous Dirichlet BC) seen in the lecture? (1p)
- (f) What is the connectivity matrix in a FEM implementation? (1p)
- (g) Give an example of a variational crime. (1p)
- (h) Draw the stability region of the implicit Euler scheme. Don't forget the axes. (1p)
- (i) Give a finite difference approximation of  $u_{yy}(x, y)$ . (1p)

2. Let  $f \in L^2(0,1)$ . Consider the BVP

$$\begin{cases} -u'' = f & \text{in } (0,1) \\ u(0) = 0, u(1) = 0. \end{cases}$$

- (a) Give the variational formulation of this BVP. Don't forget to define the test and trial spaces as well as the forms  $a(u, v)$  and  $\ell(v)$ . (3p)
- (b) Verify that the assumptions of the Lax–Milgram theorem are satisfied for this problem. What can you conclude from this? (4p)

3. Consider the boundary value problem

$$\begin{cases} -u''(x) + u(x) = 1 & \text{for } x \in (0,1) \\ u'(0) = 3, \quad u'(1) = 0. \end{cases}$$

- (a) State the variational formulation to the above problem. Don't forget to define all quantities. (2 p)
  - (b) Give the corresponding Galerkin (linear) FE problem. Don't forget to define all quantities. (2 p)
  - (c) Derive the resulting linear system of equations  $A\zeta = b$ , where the components of the vector  $\zeta$  are the coordinates of the FE solution  $u_h(x)$  in the basis of the FE space. Compute the first and last components of the vector  $b$ . (You don't need to compute the other components of the vector  $b$  and of the matrix  $A$ .) (5 p)
4. Let  $T_h = \{K\}$  be a nice triangulation of a nice domain  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ . Define the space  $V_h = \{v_h \in C^0(\Omega) : v_h|_K \in \mathcal{P}^{(1)}(K), K \in T_h\}$ . Let  $n_p$  denote the number of nodes in the triangulation  $T_h$ .

- (a) Give a basis for the space  $V_h$ . (1p)
- (b) Consider a continuous function  $f$  on a triangle  $K$  with nodes  $N_i$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3$ . Denote by  $\{\varphi_j\}_j$  the hat functions on this triangle. How do you define the linear interpolant  $\pi_1 f \in \mathcal{P}^{(1)}(K)$  of  $f$ ? (1p)
- (c) Let now  $f \in H^2(\Omega)$  and denote by  $\pi_h f \in V_h$  the continuous piecewise linear interpolant of  $f$ . Show that

$$\|f - \pi_h f\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \leq Ch^4 \|f\|_{H^2(\Omega)}^2,$$

where  $C_K \leq C$  for all triangles  $K \in T_h$  and  $h = \max_K h_K$ . (2p)

*Hint: It is known that  $\|\pi_1 f - f\|_{L^2(K)} \leq C_K h_K^2 \|f\|_{H^2(K)}$ , where  $h_K$  is the largest edge of the triangle  $K$ .*

5. Let  $d = 2, 3$ . Consider  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  a nice domain, and  $g: \Gamma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  a nice function defined on the boundary  $\Gamma = \partial\Omega$  of the domain. Consider the PDE

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u = 0, & \text{in } \Omega, \\ n \cdot \nabla u + u = g, & \text{on } \Gamma, \end{cases}$$

where  $n$  is the outward unit normal to  $\Gamma$ . Show the following stability estimate:

$$\|\nabla u\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 + \frac{1}{2}\|u\|_{L^2(\Gamma)}^2 \leq \frac{1}{2}\|g\|_{L^2(\Gamma)}^2. \quad (3p)$$

*Hint: You may test the PDE with an appropriate test function and use Green's formula. The inequality  $ab \leq \frac{1}{2}a^2 + \frac{1}{2}b^2$ , for  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ , may be of interest.*

6. Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  be a nice domain,  $f, u_0: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be nice,  $T > 0$ . Consider the inhomogeneous heat equation

$$\begin{cases} u_t - \Delta u + u = f & \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T] \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \times (0, T] \\ u(x, 0) = u_0(x) & \text{in } \Omega. \end{cases}$$

- (a) Write down the variational formulation of the above PDE (define all quantities). (2p)
- (b) Formulate the finite element problem based on a cG(1) approximation on the space  $V_h^0$  (don't forget to define this space). (2p)
- (c) From the above, derive the linear system of ordinary differential equations

$$M\dot{\zeta}(t) + S\zeta(t) + M\zeta(t) = F(t), \text{ with initial value } \zeta(0).$$

Don't forget to provide the entries of the matrices  $M, S$  and of the vectors  $F(t), \zeta(0)$  (you don't need to compute the integrals). (3p)

- (d) Apply the implicit Euler scheme to the above system of ordinary differential equations. Don't forget to define all quantities. (1p)
7. Let  $\Omega = (-1, 1) \times (-1, 1)$  be the square from Figure 1. Consider the problem

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u(x) = 0 & \text{for } x \in \Omega \\ n \cdot \nabla u(x) = 0 & \text{for } x \in \partial\Omega, \end{cases}$$

where  $x = (x_1, x_2)$  and  $n$  is the outward unit normal to  $\partial\Omega$ . The goal of this exercise is to compute the stiffness matrix of the linear (cG(1)) Galerkin finite element method.

- (a) Denote by  $V_h$  the space of cG(1) FE on this triangulation of  $\Omega$ . What is the dimension of  $V_h$ ? (1p)
- (b) Using the numbering of Figure 1, define the global stiffness matrix  $A$  (no need to compute the entries of the matrix yet). Don't forget to give the dimensions of this matrix. (2p)
- (c) Using properties of the hat functions (and symmetries in the matrix  $A$ ), one observes that only some coefficients  $A_{ij} = \int_{\Omega} \nabla \varphi_i(x) \cdot \nabla \varphi_j(x) dx$  are non-zero. Explain why this is the case. (2p)
- (d) Compute the coefficients  $A_{1,1}$  and  $A_{9,9}$  of the stiffness matrix. (3p)

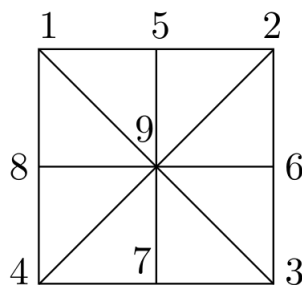


Figure 1: Courtesy from P. Frey.

8. Provide the nodal basis function  $\Phi_1(x)$  for the finite element  $(K = [0, 1], P^{(2)}(K), \Sigma)$ , where  $P^{(2)}(K)$  denotes the set of polynomials of degree less or equal to two and  $\Sigma = (L_1, L_2, L_3)$  is given by

$$L_1(f) = f'(0), \quad L_2(f) = f'(1), \quad L_3(f) = \int_0^1 f(x) \, dx. \quad (2p)$$

Hint: Determine the constants  $a, b, c$  in  $\Phi_1(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ .