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## Exam [maximal number of points: 70 pt]

**1. General questions** [in total 13 pt]

- a) [3 pt] Set  $G := (-1, 1)$  and consider the usual Finite Element space

$$S_{\mathcal{T}}^1 = \text{span}\{b_i : i = 0, \dots, N+1\} \subset H^1(G),$$

where  $\mathcal{T}$  is a partition of  $\overline{G}$ . State a linear mapping  $P: L^2(G) \rightarrow S_{\mathcal{T}}^1$  such that  $P(v) = v$  for every  $v \in S_{\mathcal{T}}^1$  by specifying the coefficients of  $P(v)$  in the hat function basis  $\{b_i : i = 0, \dots, N+1\}$  for arbitrary  $v \in L^2(G)$ . Prove that  $P$  is well-defined.

- b) [2 pt] What does it mean for the  $\theta$ -scheme to be conditionally resp. unconditionally stable? For which values of  $\theta$  in the  $\theta$ -scheme are these forms of stability satisfied? State the condition if applicable.
- c) [3 pt] Let  $\{W_t : t \geq 0\}$  denote a one-dimensional Wiener process. Consider the stochastic differential equation

$$dS_t = b(t, S_t) dt + \sigma(t, S_t) dW_t, \quad S_0 = s_0,$$

with deterministic initial value  $s_0 > 0$ . Under which assumptions on the functions  $b, \sigma: \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are existence and uniqueness of a solution  $\{S_t : t \geq 0\}$  to this equation guaranteed? Provide one example which satisfies these conditions and another example which does not fulfill them.

- d) [4 pt] Let  $X$  be a Lévy process with characteristic triplet  $(\sigma^2, \nu, \gamma)$  to be used as log-price process. Let  $\sigma > 0$ . Suppose that  $\nu(dz) = k(z)dz$  and that for  $\alpha \in (0, 2)$ ,  $\beta_+ > 1$ ,  $\beta_- > 0$

$$k(z) = c \left( \frac{e^{-\beta_+|z|}}{|z|^{1+\alpha}} \mathbb{1}_{\{z>0\}} + \frac{e^{-\beta_-|z|}}{|z|^{1+\alpha}} \mathbb{1}_{\{z<0\}} \right), \quad \text{for every } z \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- i) Provide a financial interpretation of the case  $\beta_+ > \beta_-$ .
  - ii) Describe from a numerical perspective the cases  $c = 0$  and  $c > 0$ .
  - iii) Modify the density  $k(z)$  such that only upward jumps are obtained.
  - iv) Why is the value  $\alpha = 2$  not admissible?
- e) [1 pt] Consider the Black and Scholes model in one dimension. You have computed values of the price of a European put option with strike  $K = 1$  already. How can you use these values to obtain the option price for  $K \neq 1$ ?

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## 2. Black–Scholes with dividends [in total 33 pt]

Consider the Black-Scholes model with a continuously paid dividend  $\delta \geq 0$ , i.e., the stock price satisfies the following SDE

$$dS_t = (r - \delta)S_t dt + \sigma S_t dW_t, \quad S_0 = s > 0,$$

where  $r > \delta \geq 0$ ,  $\sigma > 0$ .

- a) [2 pt] State the PDE satisfied by the price  $V(t, s)$  of a European call option with maturity  $T > 0$  and strike  $K > 0$  in this market model.
- b) [3 pt] To get a numerically tractable problem, we change to time-to-maturity  $t \rightarrow T - t$  and log-price coordinates  $x = \log(s)$ , restrict the PDE to a bounded domain  $G := (-R, R)$ ,  $R > 0$  sufficiently large, and impose homogeneous Dirichlet boundary conditions. Let  $J := (0, T]$ . Derive the corresponding PDE.

Let  $H = L^2(G)$  and  $V = H_0^1(G)$ . The variational formulation corresponding to the localized PDE in b) reads

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Find } v \in L^2(J; V) \cap H^1(J; V^*) \text{ such that for a.e. } t \in J \\ &\langle \partial_t v, u \rangle_{V^*, V} + a(v, u) = 0 \quad \forall u \in V \\ &v(0, x) = \max\{e^x - K, 0\} \text{ for every } x \in G. \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

The bilinear form  $a(\cdot, \cdot) : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is given by

$$a(\phi, \varphi) = \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2(\phi', \varphi') + \left(\frac{\sigma^2}{2} + \delta - r\right)(\phi', \varphi) + r(\phi, \varphi) \quad \forall \phi, \varphi \in V.$$

- c) [3 pt] We discretize in space using the mesh,  $-R = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_N < x_{N+1} = R$ , with equidistant points  $x_n := nh - R$ ,  $n = 0, \dots, N + 1$  and mesh width  $h := \frac{2R}{N+1}$ . We also discretize in time with time points  $t_m := mk$ ,  $m = 0, \dots, M$  and time step  $k := \frac{T}{M}$ . The  $\theta$ -scheme is used to discretize the time variable and Finite Elements is used to discretize the space variable. The used Finite Element space is spanned by the continuous hat-functions. State the matrix formulation and define precisely all parts of it. You do not have to derive it.
- d) [12 pt] Modify the template `P2_main.m` to solve the problem obtained in d) numerically and report on the convergence rate in the  $L^\infty(\tilde{G})$ -norm in the domain of interest  $\tilde{G}$  at final time  $T$  using the exact solution in `bseucalldiv.m`. Choose the parameters  $K = 1$ ,  $\sigma = 0.3$ ,  $r = 0.07$ ,  $\delta = 0.05$ ,  $T = 1$ ,  $R = 4$ ,  $\theta = 0.5$ , and  $k = h$  and  $\tilde{G} = \{x \in G \mid |e^x - K| < \frac{2K}{3}\}$ . You **can** use the routine `stiff.m` for the computation of the stiffness and mass matrices. You can also compute the stiffness and mass matrices directly.

In the following sub-exercises, we aim at sensitivities of the price  $V$ ; here with respect to the interest rate  $r$ . Let

$$w := \partial_r v$$

be the sensitivity with respect to  $r$ ; this is also referred to as the Greek Rho.

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- e) [3 pt] Derive that  $w$  is the solution of the variational formulation: Find  $w \in L^2(0, T; V) \cap H^1(0, T; V^*)$  such that  $w(0) = 0$  and for a.e.  $t \in (0, T)$

$$\langle \partial_t w, u \rangle_{V^* \times V} + a(w, u) = -(v, u) + (v', u) \quad \forall u \in V, \quad (2)$$

where  $v$  is the solution of (1).

**Hint:** Differentiate the pricing equation (1) with respect to  $r$ . Assume that all appearing derivatives are well-defined and the order of derivatives may be interchanged.

- f) [2 pt] Use the discretization as above. Show that the variational formulation (2) can be written in matrix form

$$(\mathbf{M} + k\theta\mathbf{A})\underline{w}^{m+1} - (\mathbf{M} - k(1 - \theta)\mathbf{A})\underline{w}^m = k\tilde{\mathbf{A}}(\theta\underline{v}^{m+1} + (1 - \theta)\underline{v}^m) \quad (3)$$

with  $m = 0, \dots, M - 1$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{A}}_{ji} = -(b_i, b_j) + (b'_i, b_j)$ . Note that the matrices  $\mathbf{M}$  and  $\mathbf{A}$  are the usual mass and stiffness matrix, which have been introduced in the lecture.

- g) [8 pt] Complete the MATLAB routine `P2.main.m` to compute  $w$  at the final time  $T$  (in time to maturity) using the parameter as above  $K = 1$ ,  $\sigma = 0.3$ ,  $r = 0.07$ ,  $\delta = 0.05$ ,  $T = 1$ ,  $R = 4$ ,  $\theta = 0.5$ , and  $k = h$  and  $\tilde{G} = \{x \in G \mid |e^x - K| < \frac{2K}{3}\}$ . Report on convergence rate in the  $L^\infty(\tilde{G})$ -norm in the domain of interest  $\tilde{G}$  at final time  $T$  using the exact solution in `bseurho.m`.

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### 3. Multi-scale stochastic volatility models [in total 24 pt]

Consider the uncorrelated multi-scale model for  $(S_t, Y_t)$ , where the process  $\{Y_t, t \geq 0\}$  follows a mean-reverting Ornstein–Uhlenbeck process, i.e.,

$$dS_t = rS_t dt + \xi(Y_t)S_t dW_t^1 \quad (4a)$$

$$dY_t = \alpha(m - Y_t) dt + \beta dW_t^2, \quad (4b)$$

where  $\alpha, \beta, m, r \geq 0$  are constants,  $\xi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  is a deterministic function,  $W_t^1, W_t^2$  are two independent standard Brownian motions.

- a) [2 pt] Show that the infinitesimal generator  $\mathcal{A}^{\text{MS}}$  corresponding to the (log-price) process  $(X_t, Y_t) = (\ln S_t, Y_t)$  for the model in (4) is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}^{\text{MS}} f(x, y) &= \frac{1}{2} \xi(y)^2 \partial_{xx} f(x, y) + \frac{1}{2} \beta^2 \partial_{yy} f(x, y) \\ &\quad + \left( r - \frac{1}{2} \xi(y)^2 \right) \partial_x f(x, y) + \alpha(m - y) \partial_y f(x, y). \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

From now on, we consider the **Stein–Stein model**, with

$$r := 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \xi(y) := |y|. \quad (6)$$

We want to find the option price

$$V(t, x, y) = \mathbb{E} [g(e^{X_T}) \mid X_t = x, Y_t = y],$$

for some payoff function  $g: \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

Let  $G_R$  be a bounded domain  $G_R = (-R_1, R_1) \times (0, R_2)$  and consider the *localized* pricing equation in log-price and time to maturity, i.e., for  $u(t, x, y) = V(T - t, x, y)$ ,

$$\partial_t u - \mathcal{A}^{\text{MS}} u = 0 \quad \text{in } (0, T) \times G_R, \quad u(0, x, y) = g(e^x) \quad \text{in } G_R, \quad (7)$$

where the operator  $\mathcal{A}^{\text{MS}}$  is given by (5), with  $r$  and  $\xi$  as in (6).

We impose boundary conditions on  $\Gamma_D := \{-R_1, R_1\} \times (0, R_2)$  and  $\Gamma_N = \partial G_R \setminus \Gamma_D = (-R_1, R_1) \times \{0, R_2\}$ , as follows

$$u = 0 \quad \text{on } (0, T) \times \Gamma_D, \quad \partial_y u = 0 \quad \text{on } (0, T) \times \Gamma_N.$$

Assuming (6) the corresponding variational formulation reads

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Find } u &\in L^2(0, T; V) \cap H^1(0, T; V^*) \text{ such that } u(0, x, y) = g(e^x) \text{ and} \\ &(\partial_t u, v)_{L^2(G_R)} + a^{\text{St}}(u, v) = 0 \quad \forall v \in V, \quad \text{a.e. in } (0, T), \end{aligned}$$

where  $V := \overline{\{v \in C^\infty(G_R) \mid v = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_D\}}^{\|\cdot\|_V}$ , with norm

$$\|v\|_V^2 := \|y \partial_x v\|_{L^2(G_R)}^2 + \|\partial_y v\|_{L^2(G_R)}^2 + \|v\|_{L^2(G_R)}^2,$$

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and the bilinear form  $a^{\text{St}}: V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} a^{\text{St}}(v, w) := & \frac{1}{2}(y^2 \partial_x v, \partial_x w)_{L^2(G_R)} + \frac{1}{2}\beta^2(\partial_y v, \partial_y w)_{L^2(G_R)} \\ & + \frac{1}{2}(y^2 \partial_x v, w)_{L^2(G_R)} - \alpha m(\partial_y v, w)_{L^2(G_R)} + \alpha(y \partial_y v, w)_{L^2(G_R)}. \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

Discretizing in time by the  $\theta$ -scheme with time step  $k = \frac{T}{M}$  and in space by using the finite element space

$$V_{N_x, N_y} := \text{span}\{b_i(x)b_j(y) \mid i = 1, \dots, N_x; j = 0, \dots, N_y + 1\},$$

of continuous, piecewise bilinears with respect to the two-dimensional grid  $(x_i, y_j)$ ,  $x_i = -R_1 + ih_x$ ,  $y_j = jh_y$ , with mesh width  $h_x = \frac{2R_1}{N_x+1}$ ,  $h_y = \frac{R_2}{N_y+1}$ , gives the matrix formulation

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Given } \underline{u}_N^0 \in \mathbb{R}^N, \text{ find } \underline{u}_N^m \in \mathbb{R}^N \text{ such that, for } m = 0, \dots, M-1, \\ (\mathbf{M} + k\theta\mathbf{A})\underline{u}_N^{m+1} = (\mathbf{M} - k(1-\theta)\mathbf{A})\underline{u}_N^m. \end{aligned}$$

with  $\underline{u}_N^0 = \underline{g} \otimes \underline{1}$  and  $g_i = g(e^{x_i})$ .

**b)** [4 pt] Show that the stiffness matrix has the tensor product structure

$$\mathbf{A} = \left( \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{S}^1 + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{B}^1 \right) \otimes \mathbf{M}^{y^2} + \mathbf{M}^1 \otimes \left( \frac{1}{2} \beta^2 \mathbf{S}^2 - \alpha m \mathbf{B}^2 + \alpha \mathbf{B}^y \right),$$

where the one-dimensional matrices above are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \{\mathbf{S}^1\}_{i',i} &= (b'_{i'}, b'_{i'})_{L^2(-R_1, R_1)}, & \{\mathbf{S}^2\}_{j',j} &= (b'_{j'}, b'_{j'})_{L^2(0, R_2)}, \\ \{\mathbf{B}^1\}_{i',i} &= (b'_{i'}, b_{i'})_{L^2(-R_1, R_1)}, & \{\mathbf{B}^2\}_{j',j} &= (b'_{j'}, b_{j'})_{L^2(0, R_2)}, \\ \{\mathbf{M}^1\}_{i',i} &= (b_{i'}, b_{i'})_{L^2(-R_1, R_1)}, & \{\mathbf{M}^{y^2}\}_{j',j} &= (y^2 b_{j'}, b_{j'})_{L^2(0, R_2)}, \\ & & \{\mathbf{B}^y\}_{j',j} &= (y b'_{j'}, b_{j'})_{L^2(0, R_2)}. \end{aligned}$$

**c)** [13 pt] Complete the MATLAB routine `P3_main.m` to compute the price of a European call option with the Stein–Stein model assuming (6). Set  $T = 1$ ,  $K = 1$ ,  $\alpha = 2.5$ ,  $\beta = 0.5$  and  $m = 0.06$ . To implement the weighted one-dimensional matrices you may use the routine `stiff.m`.

**d)** [5 pt] Show that, for  $\beta > 0$  and  $\alpha, m \geq 0$ , the bilinear form  $a^{\text{St}}(\cdot, \cdot)$  in (8) is continuous and satisfies a Gårding inequality with respect to  $V$ , i.e., there exist constants  $C_1, C_2, C_3 > 0$  such that

$$|a^{\text{St}}(v, w)| \leq C_1 \|v\|_V \|w\|_V, \quad a^{\text{St}}(v, v) \geq C_2 \|v\|_V^2 - C_3 \|v\|_{L^2(G_R)}^2.$$

**Hint:** The constants  $C_1, C_2, C_3 > 0$  may depend on  $\alpha, \beta, m, R_1, R_2$ .