

HOMEWORK 2  
DUE SATURDAY, FEB 21 AT 2 PM. (SUBMIT TO GRADESCOPE.)

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**Problem 1.** (8 points) Recall from Lectures 7 and 8 that if  $u_j = U(jh)$ , the  $Z$ -transform  $\hat{u}(\xi)$  is related to the Fourier transform  $\hat{U}(\kappa) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} U(x)e^{-ix\kappa} dx$  via

$$h\hat{u}(h\kappa) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{U}\left(\kappa - \frac{2\pi}{h}m\right).$$

Suppose that for  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\hat{U}(\kappa)$  satisfies

$$(a) \quad |\hat{U}(\kappa)| \leq \frac{C_r}{1 + |\kappa|^r}, \quad (b) \quad |\hat{U}(\kappa)| \leq Ce^{-\rho|\kappa|},$$

where  $r \geq 2$ ,  $C_r > 0$ ,  $C > 0$  and  $\rho > 0$  are constants. Show that for  $|\kappa| \leq \pi/h$ ,  $|h\hat{u}(h\kappa) - \hat{U}(\kappa)|$  is bounded by

$$(a) \quad \frac{C_r h^r}{4\pi^{r-2}}, \quad (b) \quad \frac{2Ce^{-\rho\pi/h}}{1 - e^{-2\rho\pi/h}}. \quad \text{Hints: } \left|\kappa \pm \frac{2\pi}{h}m\right| \geq \frac{2\pi m - \pi}{h}, \quad \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2m-1)^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{8}.$$


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**Problem 2.** (6 points) A circulant matrix is constant along diagonals with entries that “wrap around”

$$A_{jk} = \begin{cases} r_{k-j} & k \geq j, \\ r_{N+k-j} & k < j \end{cases}; \quad N = 4 \text{ example: } \begin{pmatrix} r_0 & r_1 & r_2 & r_3 \\ r_3 & r_0 & r_1 & r_2 \\ r_2 & r_3 & r_0 & r_1 \\ r_1 & r_2 & r_3 & r_0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

For convenience, we will index our matrices starting at zero. Show that  $AU = U\Lambda$ , with

$$U_{jk} = e^{2\pi ijk/N}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 \leq j \leq N-1 \\ 0 \leq k \leq N-1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_0 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_{N-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

and  $\lambda_k = \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} r_j e^{2\pi ijk/N}$ .

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**Problem 3.** (16 points) Use the Crank-Nicolson scheme to solve the equation

$$u_t = \alpha u_{xx} - \beta u_x, \quad \alpha = \frac{1}{512}, \quad \beta = \frac{33}{32} \quad (\star)$$

on the interval  $[0, 1]$  with periodic boundary conditions and initial conditions

$$u(x, 0) = g(x), \quad g(x) = (\sin \pi x)^{100}.$$

For the spatial discretization, replace the right-hand side of  $(\star)$  by  $\alpha D_x^+ D_x^- u - \beta D_x^0 u$ , and then use the trapezoidal rule in time.

- (a) Plot  $u(x, T)$  versus  $x$ , with  $T \in \{0, 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 1\}$ , all on the same plot. (Use enough gridpoints in time and space so that these plots stop changing if you further refine the mesh.)
- (b) Plot  $u(0, t)$  for  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ . (Again use enough gridpoints and timesteps in your Crank-Nicolson scheme to get an accurate plot.)
- (c) Compute (i.e., derive a simplified formula for) the amplification factor of the scheme and demonstrate that the scheme is unconditionally stable.
- (d) Find a PDE satisfied by  $v(x, t) = u(x + \beta t, t)$ . Note that  $v(x, 0) = g(x)$ .
- (e) Derive a formula for the exact solution  $v(x, t)$  expressed in terms of the Fourier coefficients  $c_k$  of  $g(x) = \sum_{k=-50}^{50} c_k e^{2\pi i k x}$ . Compute the  $c_k$  numerically by sampling  $g(x)$  on a uniform grid with 128 gridpoints and applying the FFT. Also write down the formula for the exact solution  $u(x, t)$ .
- (f) Evaluate  $u(1/2, 1)$  with as much accuracy as you can get in double-precision using your formula in (e) for  $u(x, t)$ .
- (g) Compute the error  $e_h = u_h(1/2, 1) - u(1/2, 1)$ , where  $u_h(x, t)$  is the numerical solution from Crank-Nicolson with the refinement path  $k = h$ . Plot  $\log_{10} |e_h|$  versus  $\log_{10} h$  to show that the scheme converges at second order.