

King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals
Department of Mathematics
MATH 578: Applied Numerical Methods-II
Final Exam: Semester 241 (120 minutes)

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Note: Use of electronic devices/smartphones are not allowed. Use both side of the exam sheet. A well-organized and tidy paper will enhance the clarity of your responses and contribute to a better overall grade points.

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Q1. Points (7): Use the Backward Finite Difference Method to find the approximate solution of

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}, \quad 0 < x < \pi, \quad t > 0;$$

subject to the condition

$$\begin{aligned} u(0, t) &= u(\pi, t) = 0, & 0 < t; \\ u(x, 0) &= \sin x, & 0 < x < \pi. \end{aligned}$$

Use $h = \frac{\pi}{4}, k = 0.1$. Perform only one iteration and find the error at $t = 0.1$ if the exact solution is

$$u(x, t) = e^{-t} \sin x.$$

Q2. Points (5 + 2):

(a) Write the key components of the Galerkin Finite element Method for the differential equations

$$\begin{aligned} -\Delta u &= f, & \text{in } \Omega, \\ u &= 0, & \text{in } \partial\Omega. \end{aligned}$$

Clearly explain the *Weak formulation*, *Finite element solution*, *Mesh* and *Linear Basis Function*, and the resulting *Linear System*.

(b) Give definition with example of the two FE solution spaces given as $H^1(\Omega)$ and $H_0^1(\Omega)$.

Q3. Points (3 + 4): Consider an equation

$$u_t + xu_x = 0, \quad (1)$$

with initial condition

$$u(x, 0) = e^{-x^2}, \quad (2)$$

(a) Find $u(x, t)$ using the Method of Characteristics.

(b) Consider the Riemann problem for the equation

$$u_t + f(u)_x = 0,$$

with $f(u) = \frac{1}{2}u^2$ and initial condition

$$u(x, 0) = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } 0 < x < 2 \\ 0 & \text{if } x > 2 \end{cases}$$

Find the solution $u(x, t)$ at $t = 1$. Illustrate your solution graphically.

Q4. Points (3 + 3 + 3):

(a) With explicit Euler method to approximate the time derivative, write the key components of the Finite Volume Method (FVM) for the equation

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + a \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0.$$

(b) Use Lax-Friedrichs numerical Flux at cell interfaces $i + \frac{1}{2}$ and $i - \frac{1}{2}$ as

$$F_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^n = \frac{1}{2} [f(u_i^n) + f(u_{i+1}^n)] - \frac{\Delta t}{2\Delta x} (u_{i+1}^n - u_i^n).$$

and

$$F_{i-\frac{1}{2}}^n = \frac{1}{2} [f(u_{i-1}^n) + f(u_i^n)] - \frac{\Delta t}{2\Delta x} (u_i^n - u_{i-1}^n).$$

where $f(u) = au$, a is a constant. Derive Lax-Friedrichs Scheme for the equation given in part (a).

(c) Use the scheme in part (b) to solve

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + a \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0,$$

for $t = 0.2$ with initial condition $u(x, 0) = \sin(2\pi x)$, $x \in [0, 1]$ and periodic boundary conditions. $\Delta x = 0.25$, $\Delta t = 0.1$ and $a = -2$.

Q5. Points (5): Use finite difference method with $h(\Delta x) = k(\Delta y) = 0.25$ and write the matrix (discrete) form of the following Laplace equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = \frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{x}, \quad 1.25 < x < 2, \quad 1.25 < y < 2,$$

subject to the boundary conditions

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, 1) &= x \ln x, & u(x, 2) &= x \ln(4x^2), & 1.25 < x < 2, \\ u(1, y) &= y \ln y, & u(2, y) &= 2y \ln(2y), & 1.25 < y < 2. \end{aligned}$$