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Mathematics (Computational Methods)

Two hours

*Attempt all FOUR questions*

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- 1 (i) Classify the following differential equations as either elliptic, parabolic or hyperbolic:

(a)  $5\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + 6\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} + 3\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = -4\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$  (1 mark)

(b)  $-\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + 3\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} + 3\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 12$  (1 mark)

(c)  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + 4\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} + 4\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 6\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$  (1 mark)

- (ii) Use Taylor series expansions to derive the following approximations:

$$\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_{x=x_0} \approx \frac{y_1 - y_0}{h}, \quad \left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_{x=x_0} \approx \frac{y_1 - 2y_0 + y_{-1}}{h^2},$$

where  $y = y(x)$  is a continuous function and  $y_i = y(x_0 + ih)$ ,  $i = 0, \pm 1$ . In each case state the order of the error term. (6 marks)

- (iii) (a) Using the forward time and centred space (FTCS) approximation derive equations for an explicit approximation solution of the heat equation

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = 7\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2},$$

where  $u = u(x, t)$ , in the interval  $0 \leq x \leq 1$  and  $t \geq 0$ , subject to the additional conditions  $u(x, 0) = 5x^2 + 9x$ ,  $u(0, t) = 0$ ,  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(1, t) = 0$ .

The interval should be divided into 5 sections and a time-step of 0.004 should be used.

(6 marks)

- (b) Set up a table showing the values of  $u(x, t)$  at the grid points for  $t = 0$  and extend the table to include the values where  $t \leq 0.008$ . (10 marks)

- 2 (i) (a) Describe briefly how the Crank-Nicolson scheme is derived. (1 mark)
- (b) The function  $u(x, t)$  satisfies the heat conduction equation

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$$

together with the conditions

$$u(x, 0) = 2x(1 - x), \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1,$$

$$u(0, t) = 0,$$

$$u(1, t) = 0.$$

You are given that the Crank-Nicolson scheme for this heat conduction equation has the form

$$-ru_{i-1,j+1} + (2+2r)u_{i,j+1} - ru_{i+1,j+1} = ru_{i-1,j} + (2-2r)u_{i,j} + ru_{i+1,j},$$

where, in the usual notation,  $r = \frac{k}{h^2}$ .

For the case where  $h = 0.2$  and  $k = 0.04$ , formulate the Crank-Nicolson finite-difference equations for  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$  at the time-step  $j = 0$ .

Do not attempt to solve these equations. (9 marks)

2 (continued)

- (ii) (a) Let  $a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_N = b$ , and let  $f(x_i) = f_i$  for function  $f$  which is continuous on  $[a, b]$ . Describe the properties of the cubic spline interpolant  $S$  to  $f$  at the equally spaced points  $x_i$ ,  $i = 0, 1, \dots, N$ . (3 marks)
- (b) The cubic interpolant defined in the interval  $[x_i, x_{i+1}]$  has the form

$$s_i(x) = a_i(x - x_i)^3 + b_i(x - x_i)^2 + c_i(x - x_i) + d_i.$$

The coefficients of the interpolant polynomial are defined as:

$$a_i = \frac{\sigma_{i+1} - \sigma_i}{6h},$$

$$b_i = \frac{\sigma_i}{2},$$

$$c_i = \frac{f_{i+1} - f_i}{h} - \frac{h}{6}(2\sigma_i + \sigma_{i+1}),$$

$$d_i = f_i,$$

where  $h = x_{i+1} - x_i$ ,  $f_i$  is the value of the function at the  $i$ -th position,  $s''(x_i) = \sigma_i$ , where  $'$  denotes differentiation with respect to  $x$ , and  $0 \leq i \leq N$ .

Given that

$$\sigma_{i-1} + 4\sigma_i + \sigma_{i+1} = \frac{6}{h^2}(f_{i-1} - 2f_i + f_{i+1}),$$

determine the natural cubic spline approximation between the following data points

$x$	0	$\pi/8$	$\pi/4$	$3\pi/8$
$f(x)$	0	0.8058	1.7374	2.9404

Work correct to FOUR decimal places. (9 marks)

- (c) Use the cubic spline interpolant to estimate  $f(0.7)$  and  $f'(0.7)$ . (3 marks)

- 3 Use the branch and bound method to solve the following integer programming problem:

Maximise  $z = 80x_1 + 45x_2$  subject to the constraints:  $x_1 \geq 0$ ,  $x_2 \geq 0$ ,  $x_1 + x_2 \leq 7$ ,  $12x_1 + 5x_2 \leq 60$ , where  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are integers.

Your solution should include:

- An appropriate graph to represent the possible set of solutions and the slope of the objective function. (3 marks)
- The solution to the linear programming problem associated with this integer programming problem. (3 marks)
- The full solution to the integer programming problem. (15 marks)
- A tree diagram to indicate the structure of your solution. (4 marks)

Work in fractions or with 3 decimal places.

- 4 (i) (a) Find and classify the stationary point of the function

$$f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 + 8x + 8.$$

(6 marks)

- (b) Calculate an approximation to the minimum of  $f(x, y)$  using one iteration of Newton's method starting from the point  $(2, 2)$ .

(7 marks)

- (c) Describe briefly the advantages and disadvantages of the method of steepest descent and Newton's method for finding an approximation to a local minimum of a function of two variables.

(2 marks)

- (ii) Express the following constraints in a form suitable for the integer programming method:

$$\text{'Either } x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 15 \text{ or } 6x_1 - 5x_2 \leq 1\text{'}$$

(3 marks)

- (iii) You are given that

$$5x_1 - 4x_2 + 3x_3 \leq 5, \quad 11x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 \leq 6, \quad x_1 + 8x_2 - 9x_3 \leq 10.$$

Formulate the following sets of constraints in a form suitable for integer programming:

- (a) All three constraints hold.
- (b) Only one of the constraints holds.
- (c) At least two of the constraints hold. (7 marks)

End of Question Paper

## Formulae Sheet

Notation:

$$U(x_i, t_j) \equiv U_{ij}$$

Forward difference formula for  $\partial U/\partial t$ :

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial t} \approx \frac{U_{i,j+1} - U_{ij}}{\Delta t}$$

Backward difference formula for  $\partial U/\partial t$ :

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial t} \approx \frac{U_{ij} - U_{i,j-1}}{\Delta t}$$

Central difference formula for  $\partial U/\partial x$ :

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial x} \approx \frac{U_{i+1,j} - U_{i-1,j}}{2\Delta x}$$

Central difference formula for  $\partial^2 U/\partial x^2$ :

$$\frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial x^2} \approx \frac{U_{i+1,j} - 2U_{ij} + U_{i-1,j}}{\Delta x^2}$$