

# Applied/Numerical Analysis Qualifying Exam

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## Cover Sheet – Applied Analysis Part

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**Combined Applied Analysis/Numerical Analysis Qualifier**  
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**Instructions:** Do any 3 of the 4 problems in this part of the exam. Show all of your work clearly. Please indicate which of the 4 problems you are skipping.

**Problem 1.** Let  $f$  be a continuous,  $2\pi$  periodic function having the Fourier series  $f(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{ikt}$ . The trapezoidal rule for numerically finding  $\int_0^{2\pi} f(t) dt$  is given by

$$Q_n(f) = \frac{2\pi}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} f(2\pi k/n).$$

- (a) Let  $S_m(t) = \sum_{k=-m}^m c_k e^{ikt}$ . Show that  $Q_n(S_{n-1}) = \int_0^{2\pi} f(t) dt$ .
- (b) Show that  $|Q_n(f) - \int_0^{2\pi} f(t) dt| \leq 2\pi \|f - S_{n-1}\|_{C[0,2\pi]}$ .
- (c) Suppose that  $|c_k| \leq |k|^{-6}$  for all  $k \neq 0$ . Estimate  $|Q_n(f) - \int_0^{2\pi} f(t) dt|$ .

**Problem 2.** Consider the Sturm-Liouville (S-L) problem

$$u'' = f, \quad u'(0) = 0, \quad u(1) + u'(1) = 0.$$

- (a) Find the Green's function,  $G(x, y)$ , for this problem.
- (b) Show that  $Gf(x) = \int_0^1 G(x, y) f(y) dy$  is compact and self adjoint on  $L^2[0, 1]$ .
- (c) Show that the eigenfunctions of the eigenvalue problem  $u'' + \lambda u, u'(0) = 0, u(1) + u'(1) = 0$  form a complete set orthogonal set in  $L^2[0, 1]$ . (Hint: Show that the null space of  $G$  is  $\{0\}$ .)

**Problem 3.** Find the first term of the asymptotic series for  $F(x) := \int_0^{\infty} e^{xt - \frac{1}{2}t^2} dt, x \rightarrow +\infty$ .

**Problem 4.** Let  $\mathcal{S}$  be Schwartz space and  $\mathcal{S}'$  be the space of tempered distributions. In addition, let the Fourier and inverse Fourier transforms be given by

$$\widehat{f}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{-i\omega t} dt \quad \text{and} \quad f(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \widehat{f}(\omega) e^{i\omega x} d\omega.$$

- (a) Define  $\mathcal{S}$  and give the semi-norm topology for it. In addition, define  $\mathcal{S}'$ .
- (b) Given that  $\mathcal{F}$  is a continuous bijection mapping  $\mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$ , define the Fourier transform of a tempered distribution.
- (c) Show that if  $T \in \mathcal{S}'$ , then  $\widehat{T^{(k)}} = (-i\omega)^k \widehat{T}$ , where  $k = 1, 2, \dots$
- (d) Let  $T(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & |t| \leq 1 \\ 0 & |t| > 1 \end{cases}$ . Show that  $T'(t) = \delta(t+1) - \delta(t-1)$ . Use (c) to find  $\widehat{T}$ .

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## NUMERICAL ANALYSIS QUALIFIER

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**Problem 1.** In this problem  $\mathbb{P}^j$  denotes the space of polynomials on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  of degree at most  $j$ .

Let  $\Omega$  be a polygonal domain with boundary  $\Gamma$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $f$  a given function in  $L^2(\Omega)$ , and  $u \in H^1(\Omega)$  the solution of

$$(1.1) \quad a(u, v) := \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \, dx + \int_{\Gamma} uv \, ds = \int_{\Omega} f v \, dx =: L(v), \quad \text{for all } v \in H^1(\Omega).$$

Let  $\mathcal{T}_h$ ,  $0 < h < 1$ , be shape regular triangulations of  $\Omega$ . The elements of this partitioning will be denoted by  $\tau$  and the edges of the elements are denoted by  $e$ . Set

$$V_h := \{v_h \in H^1(\Omega) : v_h|_{\tau} \in \mathbb{P}^1, \quad \tau \in \mathcal{T}_h\}$$

(equipped with the norm in  $H^1(\Omega)$ ) and the composite trapezoidal quadrature

$$Q_h(w) := \sum_{e \in \Gamma} \frac{|e|}{2} (w(P_1) + w(P_2)),$$

where  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are the end points of the edge  $e$ . Consider the following Galerkin FEM: find  $u_h \in V_h$  such that

$$a_h(u_h, \phi) := (\nabla u_h, \nabla \phi) + Q_h(u_h \phi) = L(\phi), \quad \forall \phi \in V_h.$$

- (a) Derive the strong form of problem (1.1) assuming that the solution  $u$  is smooth.  
 (b) Consider as given the coercivity of  $a(\cdot, \cdot)$  in  $H^1$ , i.e. for some constant  $c_0 > 0$  and for all  $u \in H^1(\Omega)$  we have  $a(u, u) \geq c_0 \|u\|_{H^1(\Omega)}^2$ . Show that there is a constant  $\alpha_0 > 0$ , independent of  $h$ , such that

$$Q_h(v^2) \geq \alpha_0 \int_{\Gamma} v^2 \, ds \quad \forall v \in V_h$$

and deduce the (uniform) coercivity of  $a_h(\cdot, \cdot)$  in  $V_h$ .

- (c) Prove that there is a constant  $\alpha_1 > 0$ , independent of  $h$ , satisfying

$$\|u_h - u\|_{H^1(\Omega)} \leq \alpha_1 \left\{ \inf_{v_h \in V_h} \|u - v_h\|_{H^1(\Omega)} + \sup_{w_h \in V_h} \frac{|a(u, w_h) - a_h(u, w_h)|}{\|w_h\|_{H^1(\Omega)}} \right\}.$$

**Problem 2.** Given  $T > 0$ , consider the following parabolic initial boundary value problem for  $u(x, t)$ :

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{aligned} u_t(x, t) - u_{xx}(x, t) + u(x, t) &= 0, \quad \text{for } x \in (0, 1), \quad 0 < t \leq T, \\ u(0, t) &= 0, \quad u_x(1, t) + u(1, t) = g(t), \quad 0 < t \leq T, \\ u(x, 0) &= u_0(x), \quad x \in (0, 1), \end{aligned}$$

where  $g(t)$  is a given function of  $t \in (0, T]$  and  $u_0(x)$  is a given function of  $x \in (0, 1)$ .

- (a) Consider the following weak form of (2.1): find  $u(x, t)$  such that for any fixed  $t > 0$ ,  $u(t) \in V$  and satisfies

$$\int_0^1 u_t(x, t) \phi(x) \, dx + a(u(t), \phi) = L(t, \phi), \quad 0 < t \leq T, \quad \forall \phi \in V,$$

What are the space  $V$ , the bilinear form  $a(\cdot, \cdot)$ , and the linear form  $L(t, \cdot)$  corresponding to the above problem?

- (b) Consider a partition of the interval  $(0, 1)$  into  $N$  equal elements with size  $h = 1/N$ . Let  $V_h \subset V$  be the finite element space of continuous piecewise linear functions over the partitioning. Introduce the semi-discrete Galerkin method and compute the global stiffness matrix corresponding to the bilinear form  $a(\cdot, \cdot)$  for  $N = 2$ .
- (c) Given an integer  $M > 0$ , define  $k = T/M$  and  $t_n = kn$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, M$ . Let  $U_h^n \in V_h$  be an approximation of  $u(\cdot, t_n)$  obtained by the fully implicit scheme in time (we take  $g(t) = 0$ ):

$$\int_0^1 (U_h^n(x) - U_h^{n-1}(x)) \phi(x) dx + k a(U_h^n, \phi) = 0, \quad \forall \phi \in V_h, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots, M,$$

with  $U_h^0$  determined through the initial data. Derive an *a priori* estimate for  $\max_{n=1, \dots, M} \|U_h^n\|_V$  through  $U_h^0$ .

**Problem 3.** Consider the unit segment  $K = [0, 1]$  and let  $P$  be the set of functions that are piecewise quadratic over the intervals  $[0, \frac{1}{2}] \cup [\frac{1}{2}, 1]$  and are of class  $C^1$  over  $K$ . Functions in  $P$  are continuous and their first derivatives are continuous at  $\frac{1}{2}$ . Let  $\Sigma = \{\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_4\}$  be defined for  $p \in P$  as  $\sigma_1(p) = p(0)$ ,  $\sigma_2(p) = p'(0)$ ,  $\sigma_3(p) = p(1)$ ,  $\sigma_4(p) = p'(1)$ . Prove that the triple  $(K, P, \Sigma)$  is a finite element. Compute the shape functions associated with the degrees of freedom in  $\Sigma$ .