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Master's Degree Comprehensive Examination in

NUMERICAL ANALYSIS
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Instructions:

- Do exactly **two problems from Part A AND two problems from Part B**. If you attempt more than two problems in either Part A or Part B, and do not clearly indicate which two are to count, only the first two problems will be counted towards your grade.
 - No notes, books, calculators, or cell phones may be used during this exam.
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PART A: Do only **TWO** problems

1. (a) [4 points] Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix and let B be an $n \times p$ matrix. Determine the number of *multiplications* (of real numbers) needed to compute the product AB . **Show your work.**

(b) Let

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- i. [8 points] Find a permutation matrix P , a unit lower triangular matrix L , and an upper triangular matrix U such that $PC = LU$.
- ii. [2 points] To solve $C\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ (where \mathbf{b} is an arbitrary 3-vector) by Gaussian elimination with partial pivoting, which operation should be performed first?
- (c) [8 points] Suppose that the LU decomposition of a matrix M is given by

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and that } \mathbf{c} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Use this LU decomposition of M with the forward/backward substitution method to solve $M\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{c}$.

- (d) [3 points] Give one advantage of the Gaussian elimination method over the Gauss-Seidel iterative method in solving a system of linear equations.

2. (a) Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & k & k \\ k & 1 & 0 \\ k & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, where k is a real number.

Determine all values of k for which

- i. [3 points] A is strictly diagonally dominant.
 - ii. [4 points] A is positive definite.
 - iii. [3 points] A is orthogonal.
 - iv. [6 points] The Jacobi iteration method applied to $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ (where \mathbf{b} is an arbitrary 3-vector) converges.
- (b) [6 points] Let $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & k & k \\ 0 & 1 & k \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, where k is a real number. Determine the values of k for which the Gauss-Seidel iteration method applied to $B\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ (where \mathbf{b} is an arbitrary 3-vector) converges.
- (c) [3 points] Give one advantage of the Gauss-Seidel method over the Gaussian elimination method in solving a system of linear equations.

3. Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ with eigenvalues $\lambda_1 = 2$ and $\lambda_2 = 3$. Let $\mathbf{q}_0 = (-1, 3)^T$.

- (a) [4 points] Find the associated eigenvectors of A .
- (b) [6 points] Will the Power Method converge when applied to the matrix A with starting vector \mathbf{q}_0 ? If yes, which eigenpair of A will it converge to? If no, explain why. Justify your answer without performing any Power Method iterations.
- (c) [7 points] Let λ be an eigenvalue of an $n \times n$ matrix B with associated eigenvector \mathbf{v} and let ρ be a real number with $\rho \neq \lambda$. Show that $1/(\lambda - \rho)$ is an eigenvalue of the matrix $(B - \rho I)^{-1}$ with associated eigenvector \mathbf{v} .
- (d) [8 points] Perform one iteration of the *inverse* Power Method *with shift* $\rho = 4$. Which eigenvector of A will this method converge to? What is the ratio of convergence?

PART B: Do only **TWO** problems

1. (a) [6 points] Given the partial differential equation (PDE)

$$xu_{xx} - yu_{yy} = \sin x,$$

determine regions in the xy -plane (values of (x, y)) such that this PDE is:

- i. elliptic
 - ii. parabolic
 - iii. hyperbolic
- (b) For the initial-boundary value problem

$$\begin{aligned}u_t &= 4u_{xx} \quad \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq 1, t > 0 \\u(x, 0) &= x(1 - x) \quad \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\u(0, t) &= 0, \quad u(1, t) = 0 \quad \text{for } t > 0\end{aligned}$$

- i. [9 points] Explain (in one sentence each) what it means for a finite difference approximation to the given initial-boundary value problem to be each of the following: consistent; stable; convergent.
 - ii. [4 points] Construct a finite difference approximation to the given initial-boundary value problem that is consistent and stable (for the values of k/h^2 that you specify). You need *not show* that your scheme is consistent or stable.
 - iii. [3 points] Is it possible for a finite difference approximation to the given initial-boundary value problem to be consistent but not stable? If so, give an example; if not, explain why not.
 - iv. [3 points] Is it possible for a consistent finite difference approximation to the given initial-boundary value problem to be stable but not convergent? If so, give an example; if not, explain why not.
2. Suppose that the function $u(x, y)$ defined on a square $[0, 3] \times [0, 3]$ satisfies

$$yu_{xx} + xu_{yy} = 0 \tag{1}$$

with boundary conditions:

$$\begin{aligned}u(x, 0) &= x, \quad u(x, 3) = 6 \\u(0, y) &= 2y, \quad u(3, y) = 3 + y\end{aligned}$$

- (a) [4 points] What are the maximum and minimum values achieved by $u(x, y)$ to the above boundary value problem? At what points (x, y) do they occur?
- (b) [10 points] Find the system of linear equations that results from solving this boundary value problem using the usual 5-point scheme with $\Delta x = \Delta y = 1$. Write your system in the form $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{b}$.

- (c) [4 points] Explain why the solution to the system of equations in part (b) exists and is unique.
- (d) [7 points] Now suppose that the boundary condition $u(x, 3) = 6$ is replaced by $u_y(x, 3) = 2x$. Write a second order accurate finite difference equation to approximate the solution at the point $(2, 3)$ in terms of $u(1, 3)$ and $u(2, 2)$.
3. (a) [6 points] The one-way wave equation

$$u_t - 3u_x = 0, \quad u(x, 0) = f(x), \quad t > 0, x > 0 \quad (2)$$

could be solved using the scheme

$$\frac{u_{i,j+1} - u_{i,j}}{k} - 3 \frac{u_{i+1,j} - u_{i,j}}{h} = 0$$

$$u_{i,0} = f(ih),$$

where $h = \Delta x$, $k = \Delta t$ and $u_{i,j} \approx u(ih, jk)$. Determine the condition for stability for the above scheme.

- (b) Suppose

$$u_x - 3xu_y = x, \quad y > 0, -\infty < x < \infty$$

$$u(x, 0) = 2x, -\infty < x < \infty.$$

- i. [7 points] Calculate the value of y so that $Q(1, y)$ is on the characteristic curve through $P(2, 0)$. Sketch the characteristic curve and label the points P and Q .
- ii. [6 points] Compute the exact value of u_Q , where Q is the point found in (i).
- iii. [6 points] Use the method of numerical characteristics to calculate the first approximations to the value of y_Q and u_Q .