

Matematik Chalmers

**TMA026/MMA430 Partial differential equations II**  
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Inga hjälpmedel. Kalkylator ej tillåten. No aids or electronic calculators are permitted.

You may get up to 10 points for each problem plus points for the hand-in problems.

Grades: 3: 20p–29p, 4: 30p–39p, 5: 40p–, G: 20p–34p, VG: 35p–

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1. Consider the Poisson equation in one dimension on the unit interval  $\Omega = (0, 1)$ : find  $u(x)$  such that

$$\begin{cases} -(a(x)u'(x))' = f(x), & \text{in } \Omega, \\ u(0) = u(1) = 0, \end{cases}$$

where  $f \in L^2(\Omega)$  and  $a \in C^1(\Omega)$  such that  $a \geq a_0 > 0$ .

- (a) Write the problem on weak form and bound the  $H^1(\Omega)$  norm of  $u$  in terms of data.
- (b) Bound the  $H^2(\Omega)$  semi-norm of  $u$  in terms of data.
- (c) Assume now that  $a$  is rapidly varying in space, i.e.  $a'(x) \approx \epsilon^{-1}$  for some small  $\epsilon$ . How does this affect the  $H^1$  and  $H^2$  norms respectively and how does it affect the approximation error between the solution  $u$  and its interpolant  $I_h u$  computed on a uniform mesh of mesh size  $h$ ?

2. Consider the convection-diffusion equation on a bounded convex domain  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  with boundary  $\Gamma$ : find  $u$  such that,

$$\begin{cases} -\epsilon \Delta u + b \cdot \nabla u = f, & \text{in } \Omega, \\ u = 0, & \text{on } \Gamma, \end{cases}$$

where  $b = [1, 0]^T$ ,  $f \in L^2(\Omega)$ , and  $\epsilon$  is a given (small) number.

- (a) Show existence and uniqueness of weak solution using the Lax-Milgram Lemma.
- (b) Bound the  $H^1(\Omega)$  and the  $H^2(\Omega)$  semi norms in terms of  $f$  and  $\epsilon$ .

3. Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  be a bounded domain with boundary  $\Gamma$ . Consider the eigenvalue problem:

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u = \lambda u, & \text{in } \Omega, \\ u = 0, & \text{on } \Gamma, \end{cases}$$

- (a) Write the problem on weak form and derive the finite element approximation using continuous piecewise linear basis functions on a triangulation.
- (b) Show that the discrete eigenvalues are greater than or equal to the exact ones. The min-max principles can be used without proof.
- (c) What is the convergence order for the eigenvalue error if the problem is posed on a convex domain (no proof is needed)?

4. State and prove the parabolic maximum principle.

5. Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  be a domain, with boundary  $\Gamma$ . Let  $u$  solve,

$$\begin{cases} \dot{u} - \Delta u = f(u) := u - u^3, & \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T), \\ u = 0, & \text{on } \Gamma \times (0, T), \\ u(\cdot, 0) = v, & \text{in } \Omega, \end{cases}$$

- (a) Show that for any  $u, v \in \{w \in H^1(\Omega) : \|w\|_{H_0^1(\Omega)} < R\}$  it holds  $\|f(u) - f(v)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq C(R)\|u - v\|_{H^1(\Omega)}$ .
- (b) *A priori boundedness*: Show that any solution  $u$  can be bounded in the  $H^1(\Omega)$ -norm for all  $t > 0$  in terms of the initial data  $v$ .  
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