

**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: 20–29p, 4: 30–39p, 5: 40–.

1. Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be a bounded domain, with boundary  $\Gamma$ . Consider the diffusion-reaction problem,

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

with  $f \in L^2(\Omega)$  and  $0 \leq c \leq \beta < \infty$ .

- Derive the weak form.
- Formulate the finite element method and derive an error estimate in energy norm  $\|\nabla(u - u_h)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}$ .
- Is there a negative constant  $c < 0$  such that the bilinear form  $a(u, v) = (\nabla v, \nabla v) + (cv, v)$  is still coercive? (Motivate your answer)

2. Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be a bounded domain, with boundary  $\Gamma$ , and  $I = (0, T)$ . Consider the initial value problem,

$$\begin{cases} \dot{u} - \Delta u + \gamma u = 0, & \text{in } \Omega \times I, \\ u = 0, & \text{on } \Gamma \times I, \\ u(\cdot, 0) = v, & \text{in } \Omega, \end{cases}$$

with  $v \in L^2(\Omega)$  and  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$ .

- Express the solution in terms of the eigenfunctions and eigenvalues of  $-\Delta$ .
- How does the  $L^2(\Omega)$  norm of the solution for a fixed time  $t$  depend on the parameter  $\gamma$ .
- Show that  $\int_0^t \|\dot{u}(s)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 ds$  is bounded for all  $t \geq 0$ .

3. Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  be a bounded domain, with boundary  $\Gamma$ , and let  $I = (0, T)$ . Consider the semi-linear parabolic problem,

$$(1) \quad \begin{cases} \dot{u} - \Delta u = f(u) := u - u^3, & \text{in } \Omega \times I, \\ u = 0, & \text{on } \Gamma \times I, \\ u(\cdot, 0) = v, & \text{in } \Omega. \end{cases}$$

Assume  $\|v\|_{H^1(\Omega)} \leq R_0$ .

- Let  $\|u(t)\|_{H^1(\Omega)} \leq R$  and  $\|w(t)\|_{H^1(\Omega)} \leq R$  for  $0 \leq t \leq T$ . Show that,

$$\|f(u) - f(w)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq C(R)\|u - w\|_{H^1(\Omega)}, \quad t \in [0, T].$$

*Hint: The inequality  $\|w\|_{L^p(\Omega)} \leq C\|w\|_{H^1(\Omega)}$  holds for  $1 \leq p \leq 6$ .*

- The solution to equation (2) can be written using the parabolic solution operator  $E(t)$  (the solution operator to equation (3)), in the following way,

$$u(t) = E(t)v + \int_0^t E(t-s)f(u(s)) ds.$$

Let  $Su(t) = E(t)v + \int_0^t E(t-s)f(u(s)) ds$ ,  $\mathcal{B} = \{w : \max_{0 \leq t \leq \tau} \|w(t)\|_{H^1(\Omega)} \leq R\}$ , and show that  $S : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  for sufficiently large  $R$  and small  $\tau$ .

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(c) Show that  $S$  is also a contraction mapping (and therefore has a fixed point  $u = Su$ ), i.e. show

$$\max_{t \in [0, \tau]} \|Su - Sw\|_{H^1(\Omega)} \leq \gamma \max_{t \in [0, \tau]} \|u - w\|_{H^1(\Omega)},$$

where  $\gamma < 1$ , for sufficiently small  $\tau$ .

4. Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be a bounded domain, with boundary  $\Gamma$ , and  $I = (0, T)$ . Consider the initial value problem,

$$(2) \quad \begin{cases} \dot{u} - \Delta u = 0, & \text{in } \Omega \times I, \\ u = 0, & \text{on } \Gamma \times I, \\ u(\cdot, 0) = v, & \text{in } \Omega, \end{cases}$$

with  $v \in L^2(\Omega)$ .

(a) Formulate the Galerkin finite element method with Backward Euler time-stepping for the problem.

(b) Show that the  $L^2(\Omega)$  norm of the solution is bounded by the initial value for all  $t \geq 0$ .

(c) Assume we have a problem with a smooth solution for all times discretized using FEM-Backward Euler with continuous piecewise linear basis functions. Further assume we can evaluate the error in  $L^2(\Omega)$  norm for a fixed time  $t$ . How will the error change with the time-step  $k$  and the mesh parameter  $h$  respectively?

5. Let  $\Omega = [0, 1]^2$  be the unit square. Show that for all  $v \in C^1(\bar{\Omega})$ ,

$$\|v\|_{L^2(\partial\Omega)} \leq C \|v\|_{H^1(\Omega)}.$$

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