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科目：數值方法

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1. (20 points) Let  $I(f)$  be a definite integral defined by

$$I(f) = \int_0^1 f(x) dx,$$

and consider the quadrature formula

$$Q(f) = \alpha_1 f(0) + \alpha_2 f(1) + \alpha_3 f'(0)$$

for approximation of  $I(f)$ . Determine the coefficients  $\alpha_j$  for  $j = 1, 2, 3$  in such a way that  $Q$  has the degree of exactness  $r = 2$ .

Here the degree of exactness  $r$  is to find  $r$  such that

$$Q(x^k) = I(x^k) \quad \text{for } k = 0, 1, \dots, r, \quad \text{and } Q(x^j) \neq I(x^j) \quad \text{for } j > r.$$

2. (20 points) Consider the initial-value problem for the ordinary differential equation in the form:

$$\frac{du}{dt} = f(t, u(t)) \quad \text{with } u(t_0) = u_0, \quad t > t_0, \quad (1a)$$

where  $f(t, u(t))$  satisfies a suitable Lipschitz continuous condition with respect to  $u$  for the existence and uniqueness of the solution. Suppose that we want to use a two-step linear multistep method of the form

$$U_{n+2} + AU_{n+1} + BU_n = hCf_{n+1} \quad (1b)$$

for solving (1a) approximately, where  $U_n$  and  $f_n$  are the approximate solution of  $u$  and  $f$  at time  $t_n$ , respectively;  $h$  is the time step.

- (a) (10 points) For what values of  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  is the method (1b) with  $O(h^2)$  truncation error?  
(b) (10 points) Assess the zero-stability of the method found in part (a).

3. (20 points) Consider the forward in time and central in space finite-difference method of the form

$$U_j^{n+1} = U_j^n + \frac{Dk}{h^2} (U_{j+1}^n - 2U_j^n + U_{j-1}^n), \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, m, \quad (2)$$

for solving the heat equation

$$u_t = Du_{xx}, \quad D \in \mathbf{R}_+, \quad t > 0$$

with the initial condition

$$u(x, 0) = u_0(x)$$

over a periodic domain of length one:  $x \in [0, 1]$ . Here  $U_j^n \approx u(x_j, t_n)$  is the numerical approximation of the solution  $u(x, t)$  at the spatial and temporal locations  $x_j = jh$  and  $t_n = nk$ , respectively;  $h = 1/m$  denotes the mesh size and  $k$  denotes the time step.

- (a) (10 points) Show that the method (2) is consistent and stable under the condition  $\mu = Dk/h^2 \leq 1/2$ , and hence is convergent as the mesh is refined.
- (b) (10 points) Show that the method (2) satisfies the discrete maximum principle

$$\|U^n\|_\infty \leq \|U^0\|_\infty \quad \forall n \geq 0$$

under the constraint  $\mu = Dk/h^2 \leq 1/2$ , where  $U^n = [U_1^n, U_2^n, \dots, U_m^n]^T$ .

4. (40 points) Let  $z$  be an  $m \times 1$  vector,  $v = \|z\|_2 e_1 - z$ , and  $P = I - 2\frac{vv^T}{v^T v}$ .
- (a) (8 points) Show that  $P$  is symmetric and orthogonal.
  - (b) (8 points) Show that  $Pz = \|z\|_2 e_1$  and give a geometric explanation of the operation  $Pz = \|z\|_2 e_1$ .
  - (c) (10 points) Write a pseudocode that applies the fact  $Pz = \|z\|_2 e_1$  to perform a QR factorization of an  $m \times n$  matrix where  $m > n$ .
  - (d) (7 points) Estimate the computational complexity of the pseudocode in part (c).
  - (e) (7 points) Explain how you can apply a QR factorization to solve a general linear least square problem and a linear system problem.