

Mock Exam		
	Course:	Numerical Analysis - Sections SIE-GC
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Do not turn the page before the start of the exam. Read carefully the instructions below.

EXAM RULES

- Write everything with a blue or black pen.
- Please write your surname, name, and sciper on **EVERY PAGE** of this document!
- All Python code and all the results (the plots and images if they are requested, too) **MUST BE TRANSCRIBED ON THESE SHEETS**, which must be submitted at the end of the exam.
- It is **NOT** possible to submit the Python/Jupyter code electronically.
- Scratch paper is provided for your personal notes, but it will not be considered for the evaluation of the exam.
- Exercise 1 is of single-choice type. It is the only exercise on this exam where you do not need to justify your answer.

AUTHORIZED MATERIAL

The only authorized material is **1 A4 cheat sheet (front and back) handwritten with pen/pencil**. No other sheets, notes or books (paper or electronics), or calculator, mobile phone, tablet, laptop or other electronic devices. The access to Internet (e-mail, websites) is prohibited.

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Username and password: Your GASPAR account

Virtual machine:

SB-MATH-WIN11

Exercise 1 - Single-choice questions

This is a single-choice exercise. **One, and only one, answer is correct for every question.** Clearly mark your answer choice with a cross.

Question 1 We want to find an approximate solution of the ordinary differential equation

$$\begin{cases} \frac{du(t)}{dt} = -2u(t) + (t + 1) \\ u(0) = u_0, \end{cases}$$

with the following scheme:

$$\begin{cases} u^{n+1} = \frac{1}{2\Delta t + 1} u^n + \Delta t \frac{(n+1)\Delta t + 1}{2\Delta t + 1} \\ u^0 = u_0. \end{cases}$$

Which scheme is it?

- ☐ Forward Euler (explicit).
- ☐ Backward Euler (implicit).
- ☐ Crank-Nicolson.
- ☐ Heun.
- ☐ None of the above.

Question 2 Consider the data

$$\begin{array}{ll} x_1 = -1 & y_1 = 12 \\ x_2 = 0 & y_2 = 12 \\ x_3 = 2 & y_3 = 6. \end{array}$$

The derivative at $x = 1$ of a quadratic polynomial (degree 2) that interpolates the data (x_i, y_i) , $i = 1, 2, 3$, is

- ☐ -3
- ☐ 0
- ☐ 1
- ☐ 5
- ☐ 11

Question 3 Consider the first-order linear differential equation system

$$\frac{d\mathbf{u}(t)}{dt} = A\mathbf{u}(t) + \mathbf{b}(t), \quad \text{with} \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (1)$$

The forward Euler method to approximate the problem (1) is

- ☐ absolutely stable if and only if $0 < \Delta t < \frac{4}{5}$
- ☐ absolutely stable if and only if $0 < \Delta t < \frac{1}{2}$
- ☐ absolutely stable if and only if $0 < \Delta t < 1$
- ☐ absolutely stable if and only if $\Delta t > 0$ (unconditionally absolutely stable)
- ☐ never absolutely stable (not stable for any $\Delta t > 0$)

Question 4 Let $f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by $f(x) = (x - 1)^3 + 2 \log(x) + 1$. We are interested in the unique fixed point $\alpha = 1$ of f . Under what condition on ω is the composite fixed point method defined for $\omega \in \mathbb{R}$ by

$$x^{(k+1)} = \phi(x^{(k)}) = (1 - \omega)x^{(k)} + \omega f(x^{(k)})$$

of order 2?

- ☐ $\omega = -1$
- ☐ $\omega = 0$
- ☐ $\omega = 1$
- ☐ $\omega = 1/2$
- ☐ none of the values of ω proposed above

Exercise 2 - Implementation

Question 1 Complete the following Python function which implements the Heun method.

```
def heun(f, u_0, T, N):  
    """  
    Solves the ordinary differential equation  
        u' = f(t,u), t in (0, T],  
        u(0) = u_0  
    using Heun's method on an equispaced grid of stepsize dt = T/N.  
  
    Parameters  
    -----  
    f : function  
        The function whose zero we search  
    u_0 : float  
        Starting value.  
    T : float > 0  
        End point.  
    N : int  
        The number of sub-intervals  
  
    Returns  
    -----  
    u : list or NumPy array  
        Approximation of the solution [u_0, u_1, u_2, ..., u_N]  
    """  
  
    dt = T / N  
    ### YOUR CODE HERE  
  
    for n in range(N):  
        ### YOUR CODE HERE  
  
    return u
```

Question 2 Complete the following Python function which implements the bisection method.

```
def bisection(f, a, b, tol):
    """
    Finds a zero of the continuous function f in the interval [a, b] with
    the bisection method. The function f must be such that f(a) and f(b)
    have opposite signs.

    Parameters
    -----
    f : function
        The function whose zero we search
    a : float
        Start point of the search interval [a, b]
    b : float > a
        End point of the search interval [a, b]
    tol : float > 0
        Tolerance to be used.

    Returns
    -----
    alpha : float
        The computed zero.
    niter : int
        Number of iterations.
    """

    alpha = a # current approximate root
    k_min = int(np.ceil(np.log2((b - a) / tol) - 1)) # number of iterations needed
    x_k = (a + b) / 2 # mid-point of current search interval
    for k in range(k_min):
        ### YOUR CODE HERE

    alpha = x_k
    niter = k + 1

    return alpha, niter
```