



# UNIVERSITY OF EMBU

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TRIMESTER EXAMINATIONS

FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN  
APPLIED MATHEMATICS

SMA 642: TOPICS IN NUMERICAL ANALYSIS

DATE: AUGUST 6, 2018

TIME: 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer Question ONE and ANY other two Questions

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Explain factors considered when choosing a discretization method (3 marks)
- b) Determine the analytical solution of  $-\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} - u = -x^2$ ,  $0 < x < 1$  and  $u(0) = u(1) = 0$  (5 marks)
- c) Explain an integral wavelet transform and continuous wavelet transform of a function  $f(x) \in L^2$  to some mother wavelet  $\psi$  and also (2 marks)
- d) Explain Inverse wavelet transforms. (2 marks)
- e) Compare Finite Element Method and Finite difference Method as discretization methods. (4 marks)
- f) Use a diagram of a spring to explain stiffness (5 marks)
- g) Explain the concept of element based thinking in finite element (5 marks)
- h) Explain steps involved in solving a problem using spectral method (4 marks)

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

Solve the following problem using Finite element method and compare the solution with 1(b)

$$-\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} - u = -x^2, \quad 0 < x < 1$$
$$u(0) = u(1) = 0$$

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

Consider a one-dimensional wave-like equation  $u_{tt} - \frac{x^2}{2} u_{xx} = 0, 0 < x < 1$  and  $t > 1$  subject to initial conditions  $u(x, 0) = x, \dot{u}(x, 0) = x^2$  and boundary conditions

$u(0, t) = 0, u(1, t) = 1 + \text{Sinh}(t), t > 0$ . Use resolution level  $J=3$  of Haar wavelets to solve one dimensional wave-like equation.

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

Consider a domain  $\int_{\Omega} \chi_n(x) R dx = 0, \quad n = 0, \dots, \dots, N$ .

a) Name three mostly common spectral methods (3 marks)

b) Use the domain above to explain steps involved in solving a problem using (i) above (17 marks)

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

Derive the solution of the equation below using spectral method

$$u_t + c(x)u(x) = 0, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 2\pi \text{ and } 0 \leq t \leq 9$$

$$u(x, 0) = \exp(-100(x - 1)^2)$$

$$c(x) = \frac{1}{5} + \sin^2(x - 1)$$

$$u(0, t) = u(2\pi, t) \text{ periodic boundary condition}$$

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