

Math 712, **Homework Set 5**, October 11, 2005  
**Due Wednesday, October 19**

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In this HW set you will write a program to implement the Crank-Nicolson scheme using the Thomas algorithm to solve a simple IBVP for the PDE  $u_t + u_x = 0$ . To that effect read Section 3.5 of the textbook. You may want to first write a program to solve a test linear system of small dimension with a tridiagonal coefficient matrix (pick numbers in Eqs. (3.5.1)-(3.5.2) in our textbook, or look for examples in the textbook you used for MATH612, Chapter 8). You should have done such a program in previous courses so this part is easy.

Once you have a handle on the Thomas algorithm, do **Problem 3.5.1** from our textbook. Produce a log-log graph of the error in the discrete  $L_2$  norm versus the mesh size  $h$  and determine the order of accuracy of the method. In addition to the mesh sizes in the problem also run your code with  $h = 1/80$  and  $h = 1/160$  in order to have a complete picture of the convergence of the scheme.

Make sure you follow the *Note*: given in the problem statement.