

**Homework 8**  
**Due: June 5, 2023**

1. Considering the evolution equations of variables  $\mathbf{Q}^\alpha$  given by

$$\begin{cases} \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{Q}^\alpha + \frac{1}{\tau^\alpha} \mathbf{Q}^\alpha = \frac{d}{dt} \tilde{\mathbf{S}}_{\text{iso}}^\alpha, & \alpha = 1, \dots, m. \\ \mathbf{Q}^\alpha|_{t=0} = \mathbf{Q}_0^\alpha, \end{cases}$$

a. Derive the closed form solutions for the above equations, which take the form of hereditary integral

$$\mathbf{Q}^\alpha = \exp\left(-\frac{t}{\tau^\alpha}\right) \mathbf{Q}_0^\alpha + \int_{0^+}^t \exp\left(-\frac{t-s}{\tau^\alpha}\right) \frac{d}{ds} \tilde{\mathbf{S}}_{\text{iso}}^\alpha ds.$$

b. Obtain the following one-step, unconditionally stable and second-order accuracy recurrence update formula for  $\mathbf{Q}_{n+1}^\alpha$  as

$$\mathbf{Q}_{n+1}^\alpha = \exp(\xi^\alpha) \tilde{\mathbf{S}}_{\text{iso } n+1}^\alpha + \exp(\xi^\alpha) (\exp(\xi^\alpha) \mathbf{Q}_n^\alpha - \tilde{\mathbf{S}}_{\text{iso } n}^\alpha),$$

where  $\xi^\alpha := -\Delta t_n / 2\tau^\alpha$ , and  $\tau^\alpha$  is the relaxation time for the  $\alpha$ -th process.

c. In the derivation of the above recurrence update formula, a mid-point rule is applied for the exponential term in the time interval. There exists an alternate second-order accurate recurrence update formula by applying the mid-point rule to the stress rate in the integral, see Page 355 Eq (10.3.15) in J.C. Simo and T.J.R. Hughes, “Computational Inelasticity”, Springer Science & Business Media, 2006. Invoke that strategy and obtain the recurrence formula

$$\mathbf{Q}_{n+1}^\alpha = \exp(2\xi^\alpha) \mathbf{Q}_n^\alpha - \frac{1 - \exp(2\xi^\alpha)}{2\xi^\alpha} (\tilde{\mathbf{S}}_{\text{iso } n+1}^\alpha - \tilde{\mathbf{S}}_{\text{iso } n}^\alpha).$$