

**COMPUTATIONAL FLUID DYNAMICS - 1**  
(09TTC001)

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2 Hours

Answer **THREE** questions

Only University-approved calculators are permitted

1. a) i) Simplify the following continuity and momentum equations (Cartesian form) for steady, constant density, inviscid, two-dimensional flow.

Continuity: 
$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\rho u) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(\rho v) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(\rho w) = 0$$

x – momentum:

$$\frac{\partial(\rho u)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\rho u^2) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(\rho uv) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(\rho uw) = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\tau_{xx}) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(\tau_{yx}) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(\tau_{zx})$$

y – momentum:

$$\frac{\partial(\rho v)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\rho uv) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(\rho v^2) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(\rho vw) = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\tau_{xy}) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(\tau_{yy}) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(\tau_{zy})$$

[6 marks]

- ii) Use these simplified equations to show that in such flow the total pressure  $P_t$ , defined as

$$P_t = p + \frac{1}{2}\rho(u^2 + v^2)$$

is uniform everywhere if the flow is irrotational.

[8 marks]

- b) Express the continuity and x-momentum equations, given in part (a) above, in conservative tensor notation form for incompressible flows.

[6 marks]

2. a) Write a brief note on the following mathematical types used for classification of pde's:

- Parabolic
- Hyperbolic
- Elliptic

Use graphs to support your answer.

[6 marks]

b) A non-linear 1D wave-motion in a flowing fluid is governed by the following equations:

$$\rho \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \rho u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = - \frac{\partial P}{\partial x}$$

$$\rho a^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} = 0$$

where "a" is the speed of sound.

- i) Determine the characteristic directions in (x,t) space. [8 marks]
- ii) Classify this system of equations as parabolic, hyperbolic or elliptic. [2 marks]
- iii) Draw the domain of dependence/region of influence diagram. [4 marks]

3. a) Briefly describe each of the following criteria that can be used to judge the performance of various differencing schemes applied to partial differential equations of interest in CFD:

- Consistency
- Stability
- Convergence
- Numerical Accuracy

[2 marks each]

b) Deduce, using finite-volume methods, the algebraic equation corresponding to the following steady-state, first-order pde:

$$\frac{\partial(\rho U \phi)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\rho V \phi)}{\partial y} = 0$$

Assume the two velocity components are everywhere uniform  $U=U_0$  and  $V=V_0$  (both positive) and use the following interpolating practice for the cell face values of  $\phi$ :

Second-order upwind interpolation:

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i.e.  $\phi_{i-\frac{1}{2}} = \phi_{i-1} + \left. \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \right|_{i-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \frac{\Delta x}{2}$  and use upwind approximation for  $\left. \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \right|_{i-\frac{1}{2}}$

leading to: 
$$\phi_{i-\frac{1}{2}} = \left( \frac{3}{2} \phi_{i-1} - \frac{1}{2} \phi_{i-2} \right)$$

Express the algebraic equations in the form:

$$a_P \phi_P = a_N \phi_N + a_S \phi_S + a_E \phi_E + a_W \phi_W + S$$

Under what condition is the coefficient matrix diagonally dominant?

[12 marks]

4. a) Show that the conservation equation for mechanical energy given below may be derived from the momentum equations :

$$\begin{aligned} \rho \frac{DV^2}{Dt} = & -u \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} - v \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} - w \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} + u \left( \frac{\partial \tau_{xx}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yx}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{zx}}{\partial z} \right) \\ & + v \left( \frac{\partial \tau_{xy}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yy}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{zy}}{\partial z} \right) + w \left( \frac{\partial \tau_{xz}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yz}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{zz}}{\partial z} \right) \end{aligned}$$

where:  $V^2 = \frac{1}{2}(u^2 + v^2 + w^2)$

[12 marks]

- b) Burger's equation is defined as relevant to constant density, inviscid, one-dimensional (spatial) but unsteady flow.

- i) List the simplifications which result from these assumptions.
- ii) Reduce the full version of the momentum equations to this form.
- iii) What are the properties of this equation which make it suitable as a model problem for development of numerical methods?
- iv) How could this equation be linearised?

[2 marks each]

[Note: You may use the equations presented in question 1.(a) above to answer parts a&b of this question]

5. a) State the difference between the following:

- Explicit and implicit CFD schemes.
- Finite difference and finite volume discretization methods.
- Point- and Line-Gauss-Seidel iterative methods.

[4 marks each]

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- b) Illustrate the application of the Alternating-Direction-Implicit (ADI) stability method to obtain the finite difference equation for the following unsteady 2-dimensional diffusion equation:

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} - \alpha_x \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} - \alpha_y \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

[8 marks]

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