AE508 HOMEWORK 1

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Q1) For the given equation below:

$$U\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = D\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}$$

- a) Use (i) central difference approximation, (ii) forward difference approximation for the left hand side of the equation. Right hand side will be central difference approximation for both (i) and (ii).
- b) Rearrange them with cell Reynolds number, R = Uh/D, where U is velocity, h is the separation between grid points, D is the viscosity.
- c) Solve the equations numerically in terms of only R.
- d) Show the general solution for both approximations with appropriate boundary conditions.

Q2) Derive the first derivative's 3rd-order forward and backward difference approximations using polynomial fitting. Explain why these are particularly useful in certain scenarios.

Q3) Compare the truncation error of the 4th-order central-difference and 4th-order compact Padé schemes for the first derivative. Under what conditions might one prefer the compact scheme?

Q4) Analyze the performance of different finite-difference schemes (1st to 4th order) in solving the one-dimensional convection-diffusion equation. How does the choice of approximation for convection and diffusion terms affect the accuracy of the solution?

Q5) Write codes for 1D example (between slides 16-20) and 2D example (between slides 21-25) using any programming language. Apply all steps given in slides. Compare them.