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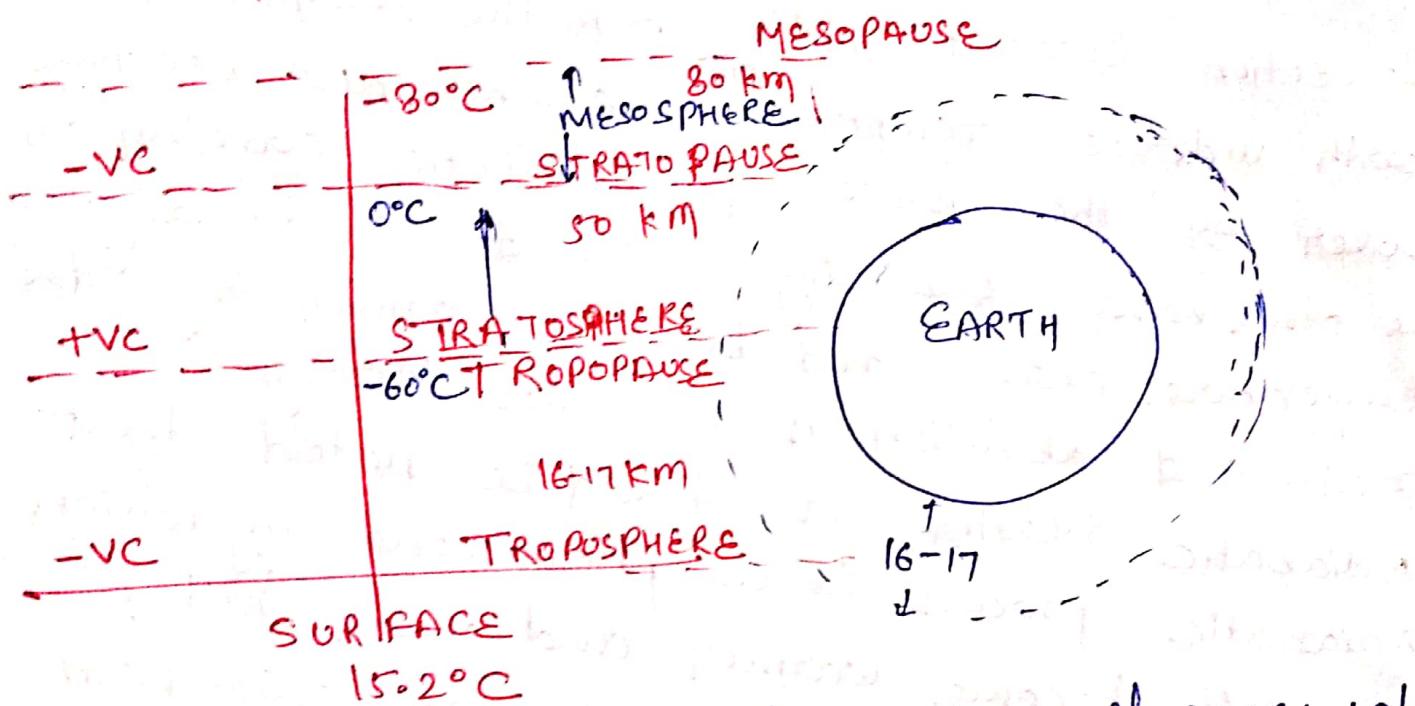
ADIABATIC COOLING & ADIABATIC HEATING

Convection currents rising from the surface of Earth undergoes temperature change and become cooler by the process of adiabatic cooling on the other hand subsiding currents also undergoes temperature change and become warmer by friction and Adiabatic Adiabatic Air parcel become warmer and cooler but, without absorption and radiation of unit heat. Similarly non-adiabatic process is a phenomena by which air-parcel undergoes a temp change by the absorption and radiation of energy. It means day warming and night cooling is a non adiabatic phenomena.

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CLIMATOLOGY

Atmosphere and Atmospheric Composition



Atmosphere is a mechanical mixture of gases not a chemical compound. This mixture contains two categories of gases that is constant and variable one suspended over the surface of earth by its gravitational attraction. Constant gases are those whose proportion or ratio does not change with elevation and regions (Nitrogen, Oxygen and Argon). On the other hand variable gass are showing deviation in their proportionality with elevation and over different surfaces.

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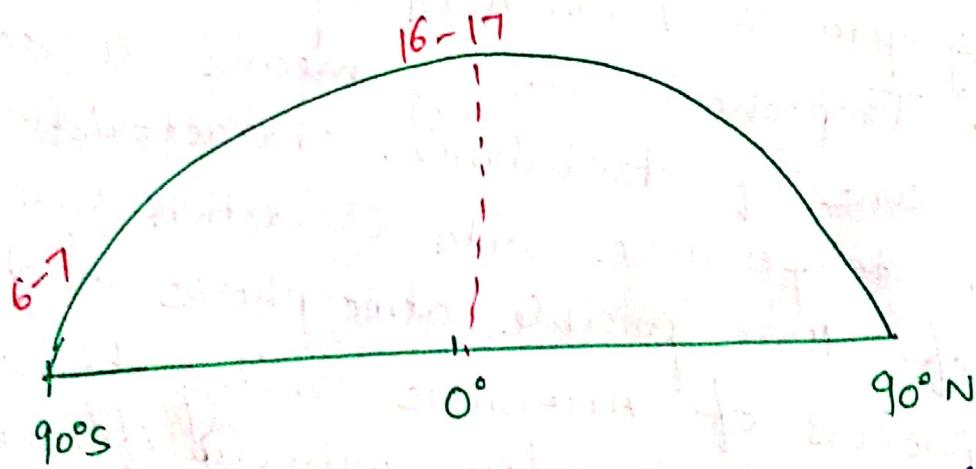
On the basis of mass, energy exchange mechanism between Earth and Atmosphere and within the layers of atmosphere, this mechanical mixture is categorised into several vertical concentric layers.

TROPOSPHERE

It is the lower most layer of atmosphere extended approximately up to 16-17 km over equator and 6-7 km over poles. Troposphere literally means a zone of mixing or zone of turbulence. characterised by decrease in temperature with elevation under the influence of three possible atmospheric factors.

1. The process of ADIABATIC Cooling by which air parcels become cooler with upliftment of heat or the heat source.
2. Moving of air parcels away from the source of heat or the heat source.
3. Decrease in the net atmospheric pressure with elevation, as a result the air parcels of upper troposphere are less compressible to move in different direction.

④ Since troposphere is the lower most layer of atmosphere the exchange of mass and energy between earth and atmosphere would be maximum in the same layer of troposphere. Subsequently all prominent climatological phenomena like evaporation, condensation, cloud formation, precipitation atmospheric circulation, etc. takes place in the same layer of troposphere.



The average elevation of troposphere is maximum over equatorial latitudes, which decreases sequentially with ever increasing latitude it is because intense thermal condition prevail throughout the year over the equator to expand the reach of tropospheric molecules upto 16 km-17 km at the same time the rate of rotation (linear velocity) is maximum over equator by which the expansion of

Troposphere could reach upto sixteen - 17 km height. On the other hand poles are featured by the presence of denser and stable air parcels and maximum impact of gravitational attraction.

STRATOSPHERE \Rightarrow It is extended upto 50 km of the surface and regarded as the intermediate layer of lower atmosphere. It is a well established notion that tropopause remain the segregating point between the zone of troposphere and stratosphere. This intermediate zone of stratosphere is further characterised by increased in temp w/ elevation under the influence of three possible atmospheric factors.

(i) Presence of a very active oxidising agent having a tendency to absorb heat in stratified manner.

(ii) Absence of ADIABATIC COOLING

(iii) Prevvalence of less denser gases molecules than troposphere. These less denser molecules able to absorb more heat by molecular contact and other factors.

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MESOSPHERE

It extends from 50-80 km and regarded as the uppermost layer of lower Atmosphere. It is also featured by decrease in temp of with elevation under the influence of three atmospheric factors.

1. The process of ADIABATIC COOLING
2. less concentration of ozone
3. Absence of any green house gases.