

Homework 2

Elijah Bernstein-Cooper
Geophysical Fluids - AOS 610
Friday, 2015/10/30

1a)

The pressure difference will be given by Bernoulli's EQ:

$$P_1 + \rho u_1^2 + g\rho h_1 = P_2 + \rho u_2^2 + g\rho h_2$$

$$P_2 - P_1 = \rho \left[\frac{u_2^2}{2} + gh_2 \right]$$

where

$$\rho = \rho_{\text{air}} = 1.2 \text{ kg} / \text{m}^3$$

$$h = 50 \text{ m}$$

$$g = 10 \text{ m} / \text{s}^2$$

$$u = 10 \text{ m} / \text{s}$$

then

$$P' = 660 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}} \frac{1}{\text{s}^2} = 660 \text{ Pa}$$

1b)

The pressure difference between upstream of the flow and at the top of the building will be

$$P' = P_2 - P_1 = \frac{\rho}{2} [u_1^2 - u_2^2]$$

we estimate $u_1 = u_2 + 1 \text{ m} / \text{s} = 9 \text{ m} / \text{s}$, then

$$P' = \frac{1.2}{2} \text{ kg} / \text{m}^3 ((9 \text{ m} / \text{s})^2 - (10 \text{ m} / \text{s})^2)$$

$$P' = -11 \text{ Pa}$$

1c)

We predict the normalized pressure in the pipe to be

$$\frac{(P_1 - P_2) d^3 \rho}{v^2 \rho^2 L} = \frac{(P_1 - P_2) d^3}{v^2 \rho L} = \frac{(660 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}} \frac{1}{\text{s}^2}) * (0.1 \text{ m})^3}{(10^{-5} \frac{\text{m}^2}{\text{s}})^2 * 1.2 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3} * 100 \text{ m}} = 5.5 \times 10^7$$

which is beyond the scope of the measured pressures in the diagram. We estimate the logarithmic slope of the relationship with finite differencing then can solve for Re

$$Re = 10^{\frac{\log(5.5 \times 10^7) - 1.5}{1.7}} = 4.7 \times 10^4$$

with an estimated Re we are able to determine the flow speed:

$$Re = \frac{uL}{\nu}$$

$$u = \frac{Re \nu}{L} = \frac{4.6 \times 10^4 \cdot 2 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}}{100 \text{ m}}$$

$$u = 9 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m/s}$$

2a)

The viscous shear is given by

$$\tau = \frac{\partial v}{\partial r} \sim \frac{v}{r}$$

$$v = \tau \cdot 2\pi 500 \text{ km}$$

$$v \sim 300 \text{ m/s}$$

2b)

The vorticity is $\omega = \nabla \times v = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial(rv)}{\partial r}$ in the k direction given the symmetry of the problem in cylindrical coordinates.

$$\phi = 1/r \cdot \frac{\partial rv}{\partial r} = \frac{v}{r} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial r}$$

where $\frac{v}{r}$ is the curvature vorticity equal to the angular frequency Ω and $\frac{\partial v}{\partial r}$ is the shear vorticity. Assuming v does not vary hugely over r,

$$\phi = \frac{2v}{r} = 2\Omega = \frac{2 \times 300 \text{ m/s}}{5 \times 10^5 \text{ m}} = 1.2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

2c)

The angular frequency is

$$\Omega = \frac{v}{r}$$

thus

$$\phi = 2\Omega = 1.2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

3a)

We can estimate the scale height by calculating the difference in heights using the energy conservation from sea level to the desired height

$$h_1 = \frac{c_v(\rho_0 T_0 - \rho_1 T_1) + P_0 - P_1}{\rho_1 g + c_v \rho_1 m \tau}$$

$$h_1 = \frac{P_0 + P_1}{\rho_1 g + c_V \rho_1 \frac{m}{\tau}}$$

$$h_1 = \frac{101325 \text{ Pa} - 50000 \text{ Pa}}{1.2 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3} \cdot 9.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2} + 700 \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}}{\text{s}^2} \cdot 1.2 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3} \cdot 6500 \frac{\text{K}}{\text{m}}}$$

$$h_2 = \frac{101325 \text{ Pa} - 100000 \text{ Pa}}{1.2 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3} \cdot 9.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2} + 700 \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}}{\text{s}^2} \cdot 1.2 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3} \cdot 6500 \frac{\text{K}}{\text{m}}}$$

Leading to a scale height of

$$h_2 - h_1 = 2.9 \text{ km}$$

Analyzing

http://weather.unisys.com/upper_air/ua_cont.php?plot=thi&inv=0&t=cur

we find the thickness over WI is 5 km. This agrees mildly with our estimated scale height.

4a)

We estimate the 4km geostrophic wind speed over Tateno Japan with

$$u_g = -\frac{1}{\rho f} \frac{\partial P}{\partial y}$$

We estimate $\Delta P = 500 \text{ Pa}$ and $\Delta y = 5 \times 10^5 \text{ m}$ using finite differencing, leading us to an estimate of u_g

$$\Omega = 10^{-5} \text{ Hz}$$

$$u_g = -\frac{1}{1.2 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3} \cdot 2 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ s}^{-1} \cdot \sin[0.69]} \cdot 10^{-3} \frac{\frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}}{\text{s}^2}}{\text{m}}$$

$$u_g = -65 \text{ m/s}$$

Compared to the measured observations in winter (20 m/s) we are within approximation errors.

4b)

We can estimate the wind speed by relating the vertical acceleration to the temperature gradient

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = \frac{g}{fT} \frac{\partial T}{\partial x}$$

$$u = \frac{g}{fT} \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} z$$

where $\frac{\partial T}{\partial x} = \text{lapse rate} = \frac{1}{100} \frac{\text{K}}{\text{km}} = 10^{-5} \frac{\text{K}}{\text{m}}$, and $z = 5 \text{ km} = 5 \times 10^3 \text{ m}$, $f = 2 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ s}^{-1} \cdot \sin[0.75]$,

$$u = \frac{9.8 \text{ m/s}^2}{2 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ s}^{-1} \cdot \sin[0.75] \cdot 290 \text{ K}} \cdot 10^{-5} \frac{\text{K}}{\text{m}} \cdot 5 \times 10^3 \text{ m}$$

$$u = 123 \text{ m/s}$$

5a)

The coriolis and curvature terms in the horizontal momentum equations are

$$\hat{i} : \frac{du}{dt} = \frac{2uv \tan[\phi]}{z} + 2\Omega v \sin[\phi]$$

$$\hat{j} : \frac{dv}{dt} = -\frac{u^2 \tan[\phi]}{z} - 2\Omega u \sin[\phi]$$

given the following known quantities

$$\phi = 43.0667 \text{ deg}$$

$$d = 100 \text{ km} = 10^5 \text{ m}$$

$$z = 6 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$$

$$u = -\frac{1000}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

$$v = -u$$

$$\Omega = 7 \times 10^{-5} \text{ Hz}$$

we can calculate the horizontal accelerations

$$\frac{du}{dt} = \frac{2 \cdot \frac{-1000}{2^{0.5}} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \cdot \frac{1000}{2^{0.5}} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}}{6.371 \times 10^6 \text{ m}} \tan\left[43.0667 \text{ deg} \cdot \frac{\pi}{180 \text{ deg}}\right] + 2 \cdot 7 \times 10^{-5} \text{ 1/s} \cdot \frac{1000}{2^{0.5}} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \cdot \sin\left[43.0667 \text{ deg} \cdot \frac{\pi}{180 \text{ deg}}\right]$$

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{\left(\frac{1000}{2^{0.5}} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}\right)^2}{6.371 \times 10^6 \text{ m}} \tan\left[43.0667 \text{ deg} \cdot \frac{\pi}{180 \text{ deg}}\right] - 2 \cdot 7 \times 10^{-5} \text{ 1/s} \cdot \frac{-1000}{2^{0.5}} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \cdot \sin\left[43.0667 \text{ deg} \cdot \frac{\pi}{180 \text{ deg}}\right]$$

$$\frac{du}{dt} = -\frac{0.0791121 \text{ m}}{\text{s}^2}$$

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{0.140954 \text{ m}}{\text{s}^2}$$

To calculate the time traveled we use the displacement EQ

$$x = ut + at^2$$

$$y' = x' = \frac{d}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Thus the time without deflection is

$$t = \frac{x'}{u} = \frac{d}{u} = 10^2 \text{ s}$$

With the curvature terms, we need to account for acceleration in the displacement of the missile:

$$\Delta x = x' - \left(ut + \frac{du}{dt} t^2\right) = -\frac{10^5}{2^{0.5}} \text{ m} - \left(-\frac{1000}{2^{1/2}} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \cdot 10^2 \text{ s} - \frac{0.07911 \text{ m}}{\text{s}^2} \cdot (10^2 \text{ s})^2\right)$$

$$\Delta y = y' - \left(vt + \frac{dv}{dt} t^2\right) = \frac{10^5}{2^{0.5}} \text{ m} - \left(\frac{1000}{2^{1/2}} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \cdot 10^2 \text{ s} + \frac{0.1409 \text{ m}}{\text{s}^2} \cdot (10^2 \text{ s})^2\right)$$

$$\Delta x = 800 \text{ m}$$

$$\Delta y = -1400 \text{ m}$$

6a)

The evolution of the mixing ratio will be determined by the continuity equation

$$\frac{\partial n}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial n}{\partial x} = S$$

where S is the source, n is the number density of ozone, and u is the wind speed along the x direction.

$$S = -(2 \times 10^{-4}) \text{ ppbv} / \text{s}$$

$$u = \frac{20}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ knots} = 0.03637 \text{ m} / \text{s}$$

$$n_{\text{madison},0} = 50 \text{ ppbv}$$

$$n_{\text{milwaukee},0} = 100 \text{ ppbv}$$

$$d = 125 \text{ km} = 1.25 \times 10^5 \text{ m}$$

$$\Delta t = 6 \text{ hours} = 21600 \text{ s}$$

Assuming that the rate at which the number density of ozone changes over time is constant, we can solve for an evolving ozone density:

$$n(t_1) = n(t_0) + \Delta t \left(S - u \frac{\Delta n}{\Delta x} \right)$$

$$n_{\text{madison}}(t = 6 \text{ hours}) = n_{\text{madison},0} + \Delta t \left(S - u \frac{n_{\text{milwaukee}} - n_{\text{madison}}}{d} \right)$$

$$n_{\text{madison}}(t = 6 \text{ hours}) = 54 \text{ ppbv}$$

7a)

$$\bar{P} = \bar{\rho} k \bar{T}$$

$$P = \bar{P} + P'$$

$$\rho = \bar{\rho} + \rho'$$

$$T = \bar{T} + T'$$

$$P = (\bar{P} + P') k (\bar{T} + T')$$

$$P = \bar{\rho} k \bar{T} + \rho' k \bar{T} + \bar{\rho} k T' + \rho' k T'$$

but $\rho' k T'$ will be small

$$P = \bar{P} + \rho' k \bar{T} + \bar{\rho} k T'$$

$$\frac{P + \bar{P}}{\bar{P}} = 1 + \frac{\rho' k \bar{T}}{\bar{P}} + \frac{\bar{\rho} k T'}{\bar{P}}$$

$$\frac{P + \bar{P}}{\bar{P}} = 1 + \frac{\rho' k \bar{T}}{\bar{\rho} k \bar{T}} + \frac{\bar{\rho} k T'}{\bar{\rho} k \bar{T}}$$

$$\frac{P}{\bar{P}} = \frac{\rho'}{\bar{\rho}} + \frac{T'}{\bar{T}}$$

7b)

$$\text{We would like to } \frac{P'}{\bar{P}} \ll \frac{T'}{\bar{T}}$$

Examining forecast maps for 250hPa and 200hPa maps, where $P' = 25 \text{ hPa}$ and $\bar{P} = 225 \text{ hPa}$, we find

$T' = 40 \text{ deg C}$ and $\bar{T} = 20 \text{ deg C}$ at 11,000 m. So

$$\frac{P}{\bar{P}} = \frac{25}{225} \ll \frac{40}{20} = \frac{T}{\bar{T}}$$

which leads us to believe the Boussineq approximation holds on synoptic scales.

Below are the maps I used:

http://tempest.aos.wisc.edu/wxp_images/gfs104_12UTC/gblav_c250_h000.gif

http://tempest.aos.wisc.edu/wxp_images/gfs104_12UTC/gblav_c200_h000.gif