Mesoscale Meteorology

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Textbooks

- 1. Mesoscale Dynamics, 2007, Y.-L. Lin, Cambridge University Press, 630 pp.
- 2. Mesoscale Meteorology in Midlatitudes, 2010, P. Markowski and Y. Richardson, Wiley-Blackwell, 407 pp.

References

- Mesoscale Meteorology and Forecasting, 1986, P. S. Ray, Ed., American Meteorological Society, 793 pp.
- Dynamics in Atmospheric Physics, 1990, R. S. Lindzen, Cambridge University Press, 310 pp. Chapters 8 and 10: Internal Gravity Waves
- 3. An Introduction to Atmospheric Gravity Waves, 2002, C. J. Nappo, Academic Press, 276 pp.
- 4. Atmospheric Convection, 1994, K. A. Emanuel, Oxford University Press, 580 pp.
- 5. Cloud Dynamics, 1993, R. A. Houze, Jr., Academic Press, 573 pp.
- 6. Advances in Geophysics, 1979, Vol. 21, Academic Press. The Influence of Mountains on the Atmosphere by R. B. Smith.
- 7. Topographic Effects in Stratified Flows, 1995, P. G. Baines, Cambridge University Press, 482 pp.
- 8. Hydrodynamic Stability, 1981, P. G. Drazin and W. H. Reid, Cambridge University Press, 527 pp.

Grading

mid-term exam: 30% final exam: 30% homework: 40%

Lecture Contents

Overview

Governing equations and approximations

Some theorems for stratified flows

Atmospheric gravity waves

Orographically forced flows

Thermally forced flows

Mesoscale moist convection