

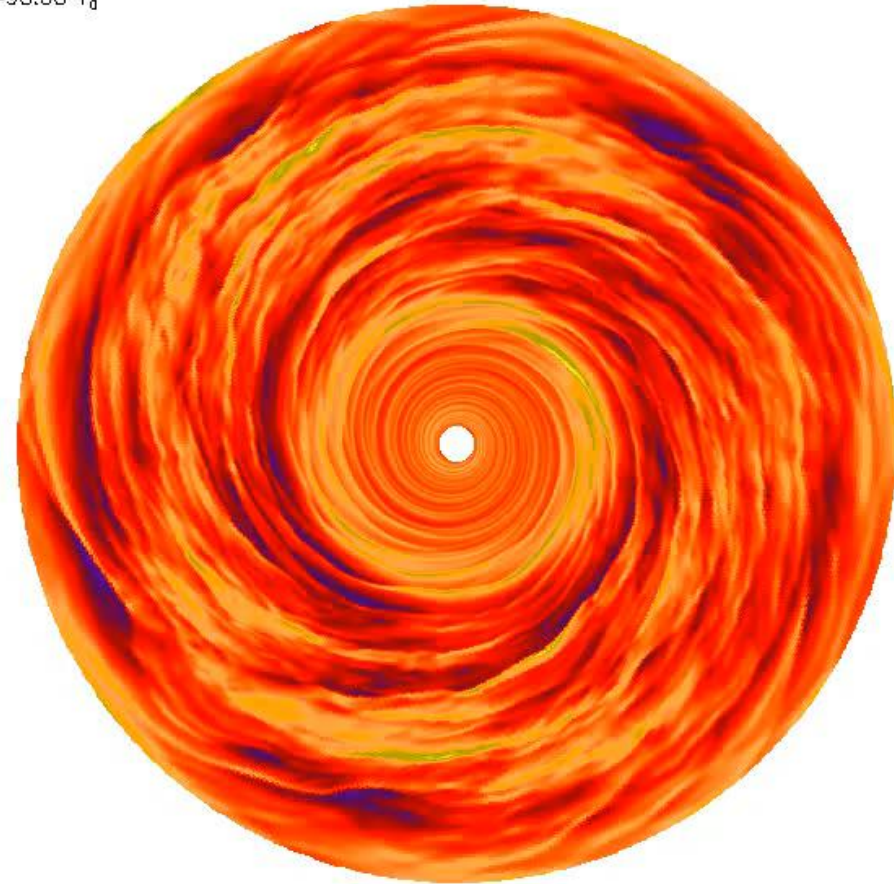
# Dynamics and Hydrodynamics

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Class hours: Tue/Thu  
10:30am - 11:45am



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Lyra, W., Turner, N. & McNally, C. 2015, A&A, 574, A10  
*Rossby wave instability does not require sharp resistivity gradients*

# Course Sequence

Class Flow	Class #	Planned
Part 1 - Basic equations	1	16-Jan Intro to hydro: Evolution equations.
	2	21-Jan Lagrangian vs Eulerian formulation.
	3	23-Jan Viscous flows; Viscous tensor, Reynolds number.
	4	28-Jan Vorticity Equation, Kelvin's vorticity theorem, baroclinicity.
	5	30-Jan Accretion disks.
	6	4-Feb Shocks, Rankine-Hugoniot jump conditions.
	7	6-Feb Point explosion, Sedov problem, Supernova Remnants.
	8	11-Feb Checkpoint A
	9	13-Feb Travel -- (cancel class, online class?)
Part 2 - Waves and instabilities	10	18-Feb Acoustic waves; Linearization. Dispersion relation.
	11	20-Feb Turbulence, Reynolds stress, Kolmogorov cascade.
	12	25-Feb Rayleigh-Taylor & Kelvin Helmholtz.
	13	27-Feb Jeans instability.
	14	4-Mar Toomre instability.
	15	6-Mar Midterm
	Spring break	
Part 3 - Stellar Dynamics	16	18-Mar Potential theory, Jeans equation.
	17	20-Mar Halo and disk potential. NFW Dark Matter Halo.
	18	25-Mar Travel -- (cancel class? online class?)
	19	27-Mar Travel -- (cancel class? online class?)
	20	1-Apr Potential of ellipsoids, Homoeoids.
	21	3-Apr Stellar Orbits.
	22	8-Apr Two-body relaxation, Dynamical Friction.
	23	10-Apr Checkpoint B
Part 4 - Numerics	24	15-Apr Discretization techniques.
	25	17-Apr Compiled languages (Fortran and C).
	26	22-Apr Spatial discretization - High order finite difference coefficients.
	27	24-Apr Time discretization - Euler and Runge-Kutta.
	28	29-Apr Von Neumann stability analysis and Courant number.
	29	1-May Diffusion, the viscosity operator, treatment of shocks.
		Final

## Grading

*Checkpoint A (10%)*

*Midterm (20%)*

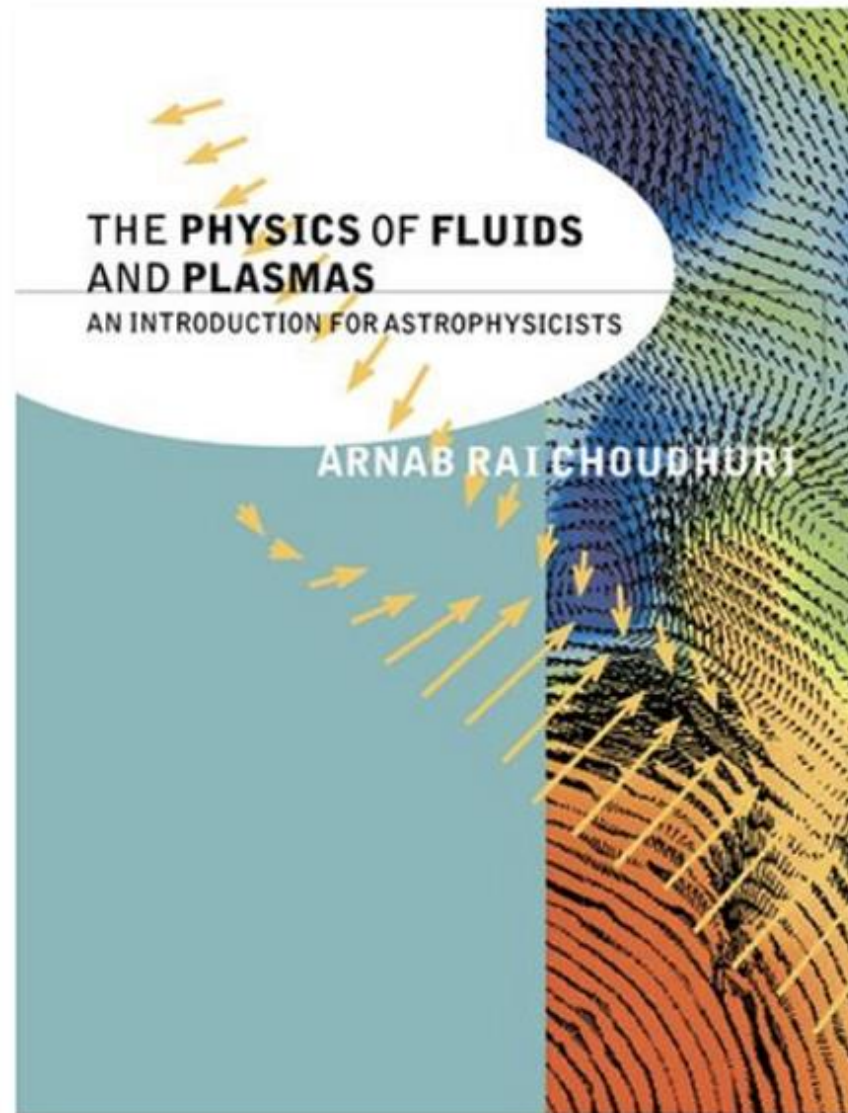
*Checkpoint B (10%)*

*Final (20%)*

*Homework Assignments (15%)*

*Project (25%)*

# Book – Part I and II



# Lecture 1 - Macroscopic view of Hydrodynamics

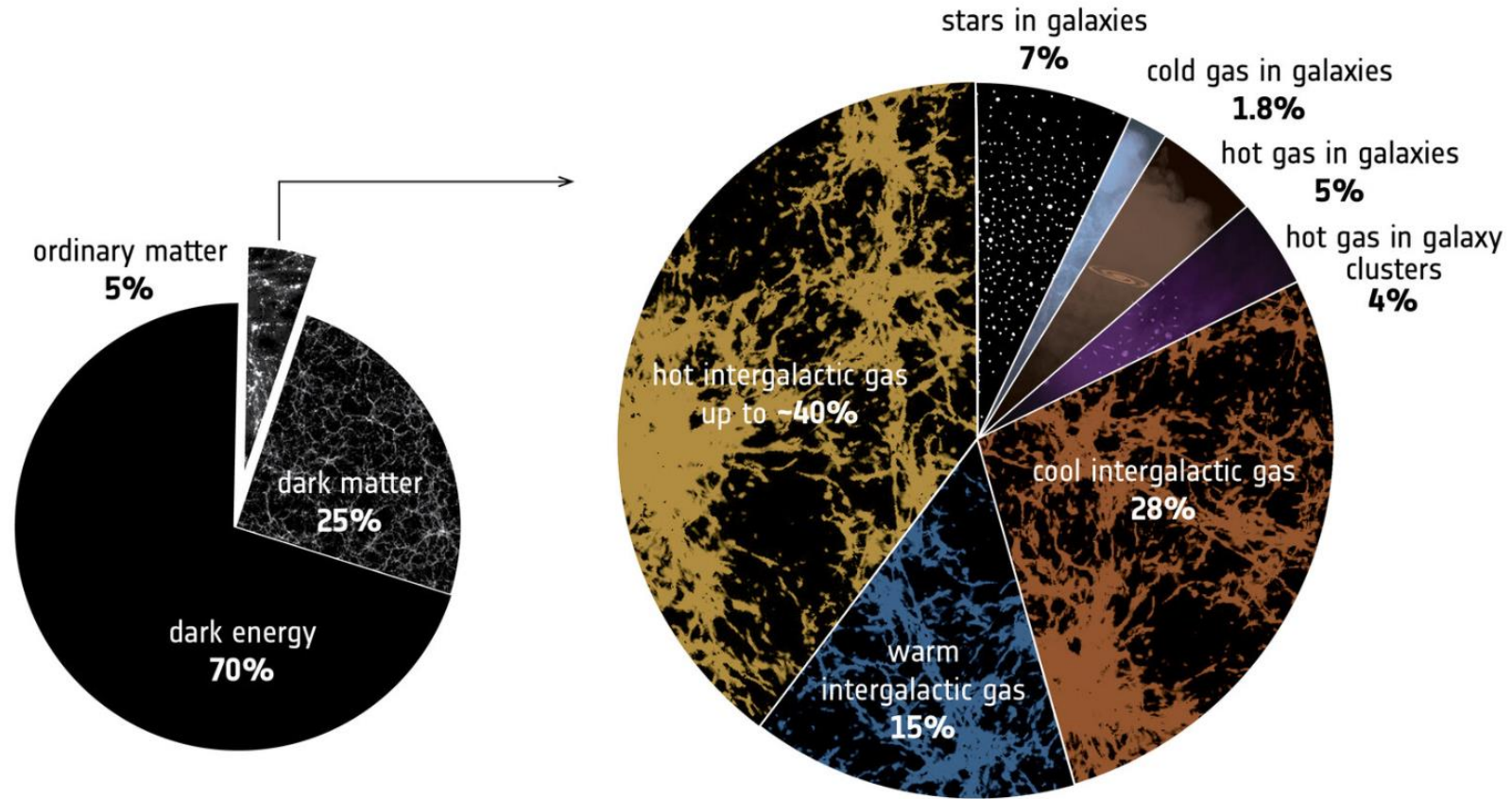
Learning Objectives:

When is a macroscopic fluid description valid.

Understand the equations of hydrodynamics from conservation laws.



## Baryonic Matter in the Universe is mostly gas



## The equations of hydrodynamics

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u}) &= 0 \\ \frac{\partial(\rho \mathbf{u})}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{u}) &= -\nabla p + \rho \mathbf{f} \\ \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (E \mathbf{u}) &= -\nabla \cdot (p \mathbf{u}) + \rho \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{f}\end{aligned}$$

Notice that if we define  $Q\mathbf{u}$  as the flux of quantity  $Q$ , they all have this form:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\text{density of quantity}) + \nabla \cdot (\text{flux of quantity}) = \text{sources} - \text{sinks}$$

Level	Description of state	Dynamical equations
0: $N$ quantum particles	$\psi(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N)$	Schrödinger's equation
1: $N$ classical particles	$\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N; \mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_N$	Newton's laws or Hamilton's equations
2: Distribution function	$f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}, t)$	Boltzmann's equation
3: Continuum model	$\rho(\mathbf{x}), u(\mathbf{x}), p(\mathbf{x})$	Hydrodynamics equations

Level 0 to 1: Separation between particles much larger than de Broglie wavelength

Level 1 to 2: when  $N$  becomes too large, then it's impractical to solve  $N \ll 1$  equations. Define then the distribution function  $f$  for the particle number density in phase space. This is only possible when the system is either collisionless or if binary collisions are the only interaction between particles.

Level 2 to 3: Through frequent binary collisions, the system relaxes to the Maxwell-Boltzmann distribution. This occurs if the mean-free path is small compared to the length scale of the system. Otherwise, a distribution function needs to be applied (in this case a continuity equation still can be used, but the “fluid” contains no pressure).



## Interstellar Medium



Number density:  $10 \text{ cm}^{-3}$

Mean free path:  $\lambda = 1/n\sigma = 10^{14} \text{ cm} \sim 10 \text{ AU}$

Typical scales: 100 pc

*Hydro is applicable!*

# Atmosphere



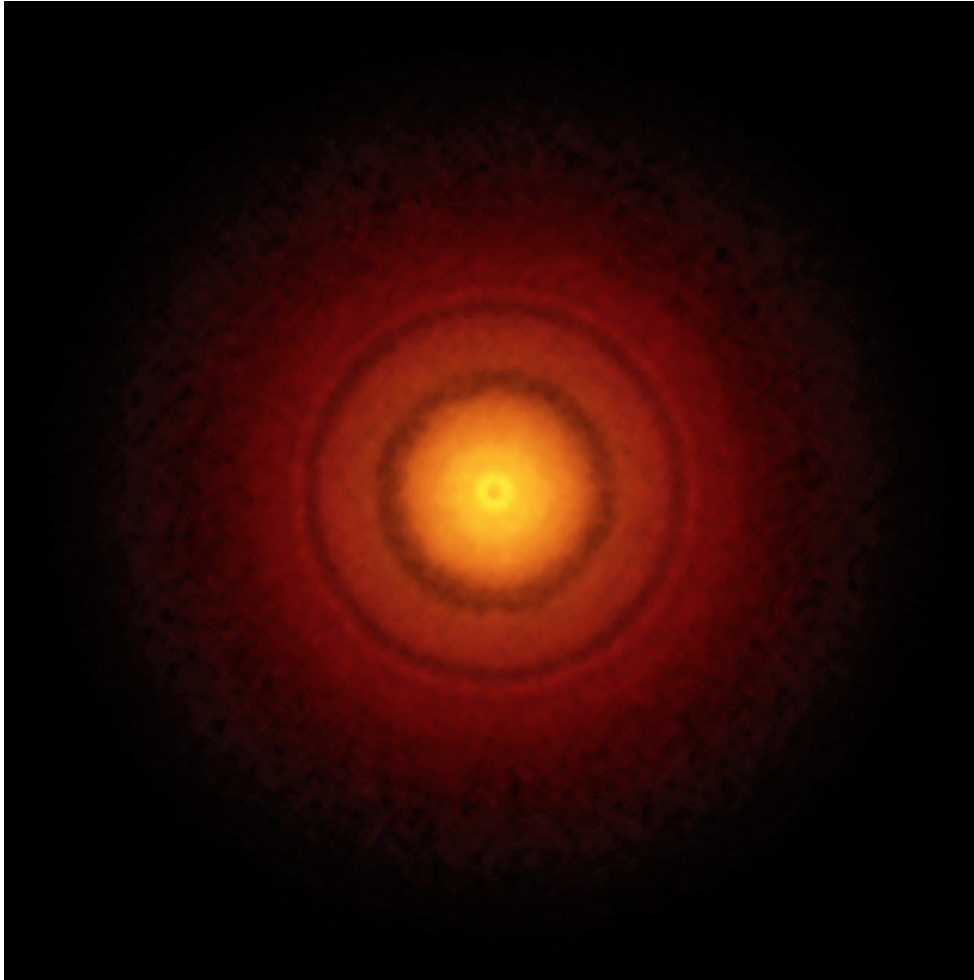
Number density:  $10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

Mean free path:  $\lambda = 1/n\sigma = 10^{-4} \text{ cm}$

Typical scales: m-km

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## Protoplanetary Disk



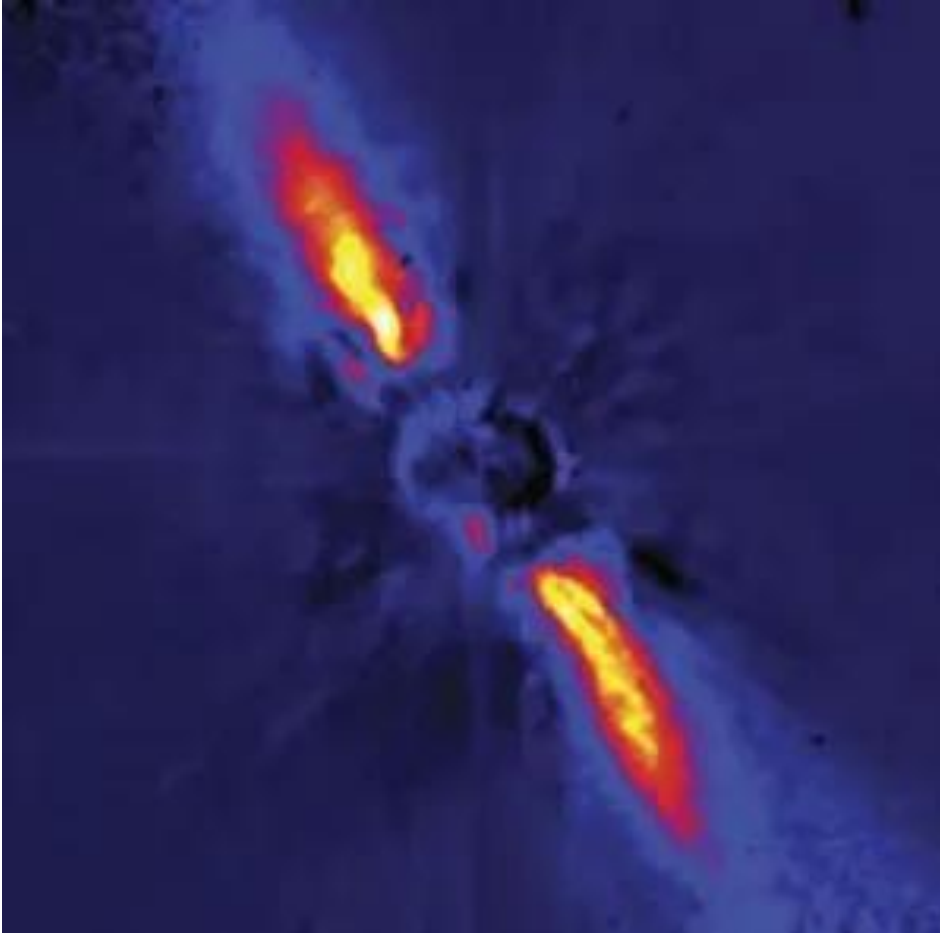
Number density:  $10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

Mean free path:  $\lambda = 1/n\sigma = 1 \text{ cm}$

Typical scales: AU

*Hydro is applicable!*

## Gas in Debris Disks



Number density:  $100 \text{ cm}^{-3}$

Mean free path:  $\lambda = 1/n\sigma = 10^{13} \text{ cm} \sim 1 \text{ AU}$

Typical scales: 10 AU

Borderline...  
Proceed with caution.

## Cometary Tail



Number density:  $100 \text{ cm}^{-3}$

Mean free path:  $\lambda = 1/n\sigma = 10^{13} \text{ cm} \sim 1 \text{ AU}$

Typical scales:  $10^9\text{-}10^{10} \text{ cm}$

Hydrodynamics not applicable



## Consider a typical fluid

The Rio Grande in Las Cruces





## ... and define a fluid element

A fluid element is a region over which we can define local variables (density, velocity, temperature, etc).



To be uniform, this patch must be

- Small enough that we can ignore systematic variations across it for any variable

$Q$  we are interested in:  
 $l_{\text{patch}} \ll Q / |\nabla Q|$

- large enough to contain sufficient particles to ignore fluctuations due to the finite number of particles

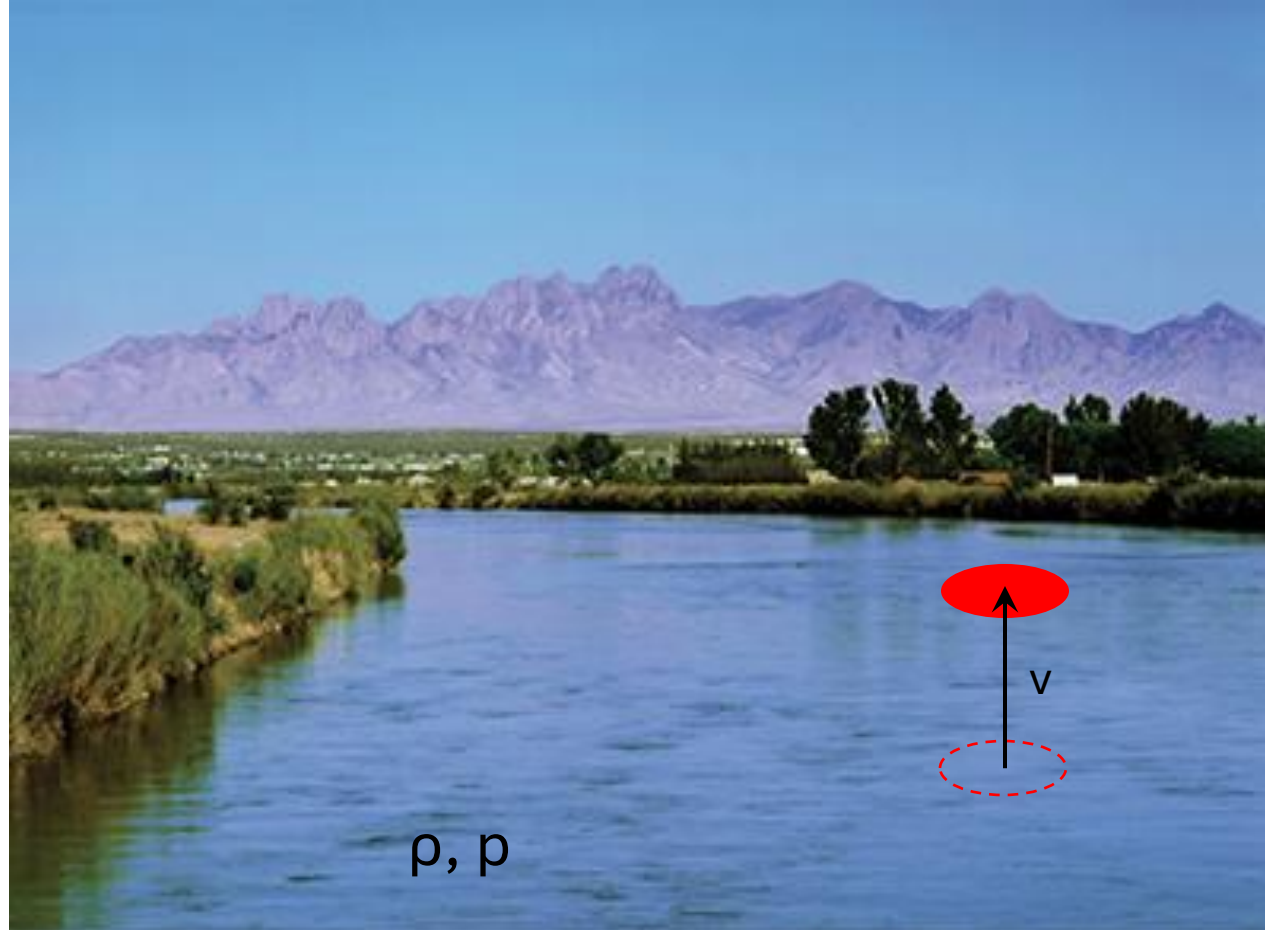
$$n l_{\text{patch}}^3 \gg 1$$

- Much bigger than mean free path:

$$l_{\text{patch}} \gg l_{\text{mfp}}$$

## Coherent motion

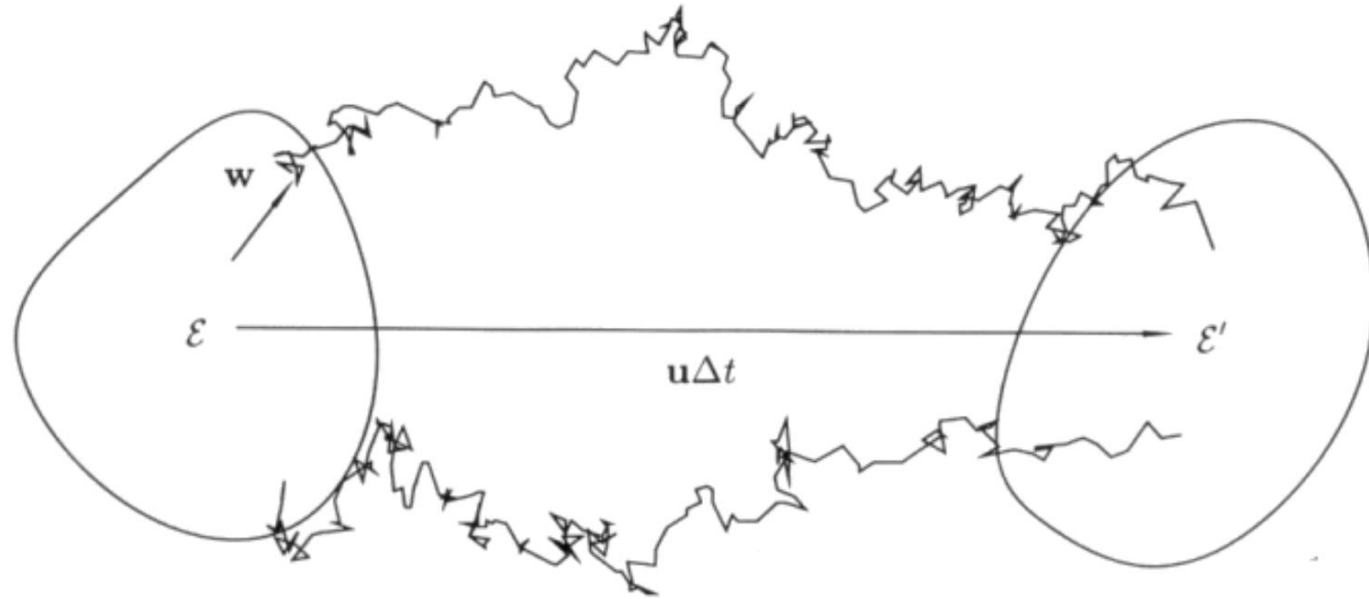
- The fluid is described by local macroscopic variables (e.g., density, temperature, bulk velocity).
- The dynamics of the fluid is governed by internal forces (e.g. pressure gradients) and external forces (e.g. gravity).
- The changes of macroscopic properties in a fluid element are described by conservation laws.



## Bulk velocity

The fluid element moves with a bulk velocity, the mean flow velocity.

The individual particles move with the mean flow velocity, plus a random velocity component.



## Control Volume

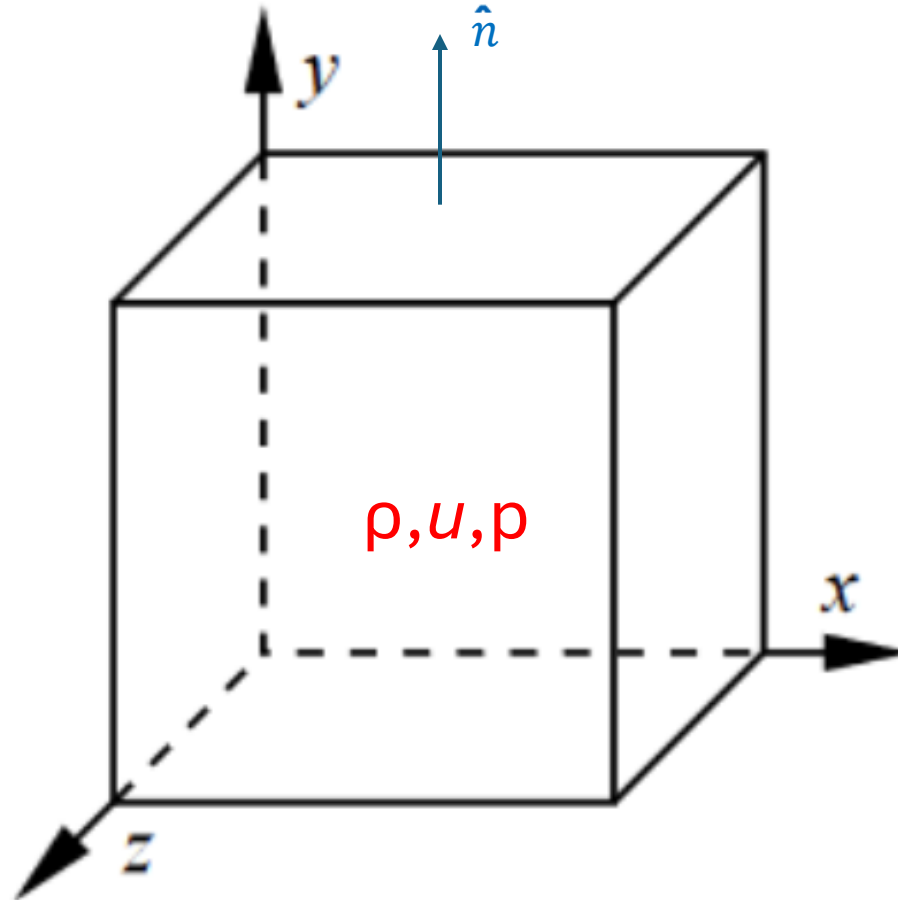
3D generalization of fluid patch.

Unit length cube

$$l_{\text{mfp}} \ll L \ll Q / |\nabla Q|$$
$$n L^3 \gg 1$$

The time rate of change of a quantity inside this volume:

- Changes of this quantity (volumetric contributions)
- Surface effects (net transport across the surface)



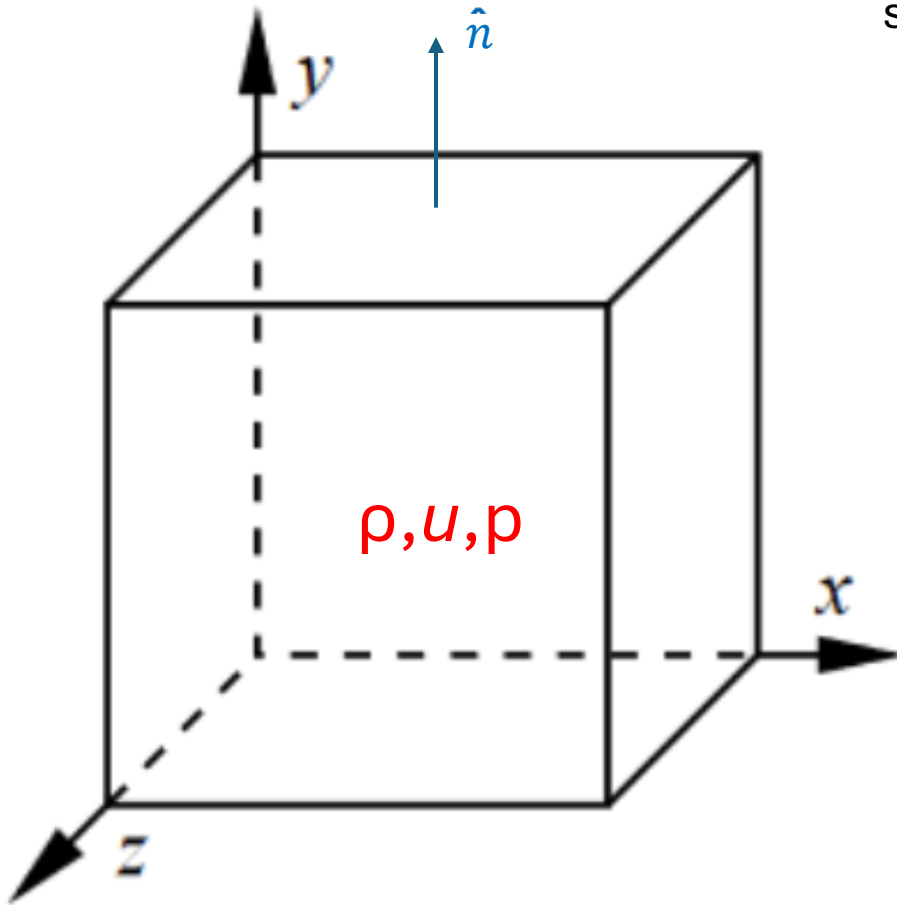
$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_V \rho dV = - \oint_A \rho \mathbf{u} \cdot d\mathbf{A}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_V \rho dV = - \int_V \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u}) dV$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u}) = 0$$

## Continuity Equation (Mass Conservation)

Apply mass conservation to the cube. There is no mass creation or annihilation. The change in mass is equal to the mass flux across the surfaces.



$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_V \rho dV = - \oint_A \rho \mathbf{u} \cdot d\mathbf{A}$$

Use Gauss' theorem

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_V \rho dV = - \int_V \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u}) dV$$

Use Leibniz' rule for differentiation under the integral, and put all under the same integrand

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u}) = 0$$

## Euler Equation (Momentum Conservation)

Apply momentum conservation to the cube. Now there are sources of momentum: the forces. These forces can be body forces (e.g. gravity) and surface forces (pressure).

The change in momentum is equal to the momentum flux across the surfaces, plus surface and body forces.

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_V (\rho \mathbf{u}) dV = - \oint_A (\rho \mathbf{u}) \mathbf{u} \cdot d\mathbf{A} - \oint_A \mathbf{P} \cdot d\mathbf{A} + \int_V \rho \mathbf{f} dV$$

Mathematically, the body force has to be expressed by a 2<sup>nd</sup> rank tensor to dot with the area and produce a vector. For a pure normal force (pressure),  $\mathbf{P}_{ij} = p \delta_{ij}$ .

Applying Gauss theorem, we put all terms under the same volume integral, to find Euler's equation

$$\frac{\partial(\rho \mathbf{u})}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{u}) = -\nabla p + \rho \mathbf{f}$$

