

## Equations in Ocean 420

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} = -g\rho$$

Hydrostatic balance

$$\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} = g \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x}$$

Pressure gradient in a fluid with constant density

$$\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p_2}{\partial x} = g \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} + g' \frac{\partial \eta_1}{\partial x}$$

Pressure gradient in the lower layer of a two layer fluid

$$g\eta = g'\eta_1$$

The relationship between the sea surface height and interface (thermocline displacement) when the lower layer is thick and motionless

$$fv = \frac{1}{\rho_0} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x}$$

Geostrophy

$$fu = -\frac{1}{\rho_0} \frac{\partial p}{\partial y}$$

$$v(p) - v(p_0) = \frac{g}{f} \frac{\partial D}{\partial x}$$

Velocity relative to reference level from dynamic height

$$u(p) - u(p_0) = -\frac{g}{f} \frac{\partial D}{\partial y}$$

$$f(v_1 - v_2) = -g' i_2$$

Margules relation for vertical shear

$$f(u_1 - u_2) = g' i_2$$

$$f = 2\Omega \sin \Theta$$

Coriolis parameter

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = \frac{g}{f\rho_0} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial y}$$

Thermal wind

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial z} = -\frac{g}{f\rho_0} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial x}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - fv = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} - Ju$$

Simple force balance

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - fv = 0$$

Acceleration balancing Coriolis

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x}$$

Acceleration balancing pressure gradient

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -Ju$$

Acceleration balancing friction

$$0 = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} - Ju$$

Friction balancing pressure gradient

$$-fv = -Ju$$

Coriolis balancing friction

$$\tau = \mu \frac{\partial u}{\partial z}$$

Stress

$$F_{friction} = \frac{\partial \tau_{xz}}{\partial z}$$

Frictional force

$$\tau = -\rho \overline{u'w'} \approx \rho A_v \frac{d\bar{u}}{dz} = \rho u_*^2$$

Turbulent stress

$$\tau_{wind} = \rho_A C_D W_{10meters}^2$$

Wind stress

$$M_{yE} = -\frac{1}{f} (\tau_w^x - 0)$$

Mass transport in Ekman layer

$$M_{xE} = \frac{1}{f} (\tau_w^y - 0)$$

$$-fv = A_z \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2}$$

Ekman layer balance

$$fu = A_z \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial z^2}$$

$$D_e = \sqrt{\frac{2A_z}{f}}$$

Ekman layer depth

$$A_v = k u_* z$$

Eddy viscosity in log layer

$$u_*^2 = \tau / \rho$$

Relationship between the friction velocity and stress

$$u_*^2 = -\overline{u'w'} = k u_* z \frac{du}{dz}$$

Friction velocity in the log layer

$$u(z) = \frac{u_*}{k} \ln \frac{z}{z_0}$$

Velocity profile in log layer

$$C_D = \left( \frac{k}{\ln(z/z_0)} \right)^2$$

Drag coefficient in log layer

$$\underline{\tau} = \rho C_D |\underline{u}| \underline{u}$$

Stress at the top of log layer

$$\tau_{bottom} = \rho_0 C_D U_1^2$$

Bottom stress

$$-g \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} H = C_D u^2$$

Balance between pressure gradient and bottom stress

$$h \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \frac{Q}{\rho C_p}$$

$$h \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \frac{Q}{\rho C_p} - \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} (T_s - T_h)$$

Temperature balance in mixed layer

$$\frac{1}{2} \alpha g h \Delta T \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} = m_0 u_*^3 - \frac{\alpha g h}{2 \rho C} Q$$

Energy balance in mixed layer

$$h = 2 \frac{C_p \rho m_0 u_*^3}{g \alpha Q}$$

Monin-Obukhov depth

$$u = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x}$$

Stream function

$$v = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y}$$

$$\frac{DC}{Dt} = \frac{\partial C}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial C}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial C}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial C}{\partial z} = 0$$

Tracer advection

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} = A_h \left( \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial y^2} \right) + A_z \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial z^2}$$

Tracer diffusion

$$\eta(x, t) = a \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

Sea surface height in a surface gravity wave

$$C_g = \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial k}$$

Group velocity

$$C = \frac{\omega}{k}$$

Phase velocity

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x}$$

Force balance in surface gravity wave

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} - g$$

$$\omega^2 = gk \tanh kH$$

Dispersion relation for surface gravity waves

$$\omega = \sqrt{gH} k$$

Dispersion relation for long (shallow water) gravity waves

$$C = \sqrt{gH}$$

Phase speed for shallow water gravity waves

$$\omega^2 = gk$$

Dispersion relation for deep water gravity waves

$$C = \frac{\omega}{k} = \sqrt{\frac{g}{k}}$$

Phase speed for deep water gravity waves

$$C_g = \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial k} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{g}{\omega} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{g}{k}} = \frac{1}{2} C$$

Group velocity for deep water gravity waves

$$u = \frac{gk}{\omega} \cos(kx - \omega t)$$

Horizontal velocity in deep water gravity waves

$$w = \frac{gk^2}{\omega} \sin(kx - \omega t)(z + H)$$

Vertical velocity in deep water gravity waves

$$x = \frac{gk}{\omega^2} \sin \omega t$$

Particle Excursion

$$\Lambda > 20H$$

Shallow water gravity waves

$$\Lambda < 4H$$

Deep water gravity waves

$$E = \frac{1}{2} \rho g a^2$$

Energy per unit wave crest in surface gravity waves

$$\frac{E_2}{E_1} = \sqrt{\frac{H_1}{H_2}}$$

Energy for shoaling waves

$$g' = g \frac{\rho_2 - \rho_1}{\rho}$$

Reduced gravity

$$\eta = a \cos(\omega t - \phi)$$

Tidal amplitude

$$\Delta g = \frac{GM}{R^2} 2 \frac{R_E}{R}$$

Gravitational force from the moon to a unit mass on earth

$$T = \frac{4L}{n\sqrt{gH}}$$

Quarter wave oscillator period

$$L_R = \frac{\sqrt{gH}}{f}$$

Deformation radius (external, barotropic)

$$L_R = \frac{\sqrt{g'H_1}}{f}$$

Deformation radius (2 layer, internal, baroclinic)

$$\omega^2 = N^2 \cos^2 \varphi$$

Dispersion relation for internal gravity waves

$$N^2 = -\frac{g}{\rho} \frac{\partial \rho_\theta}{\partial z}$$

Buoyancy frequency

$$\omega = f$$

frequency of inertial oscillations