

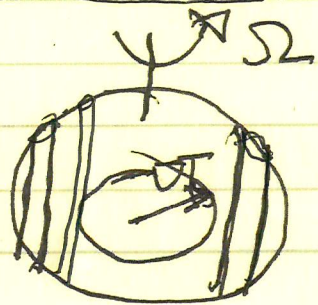
⇒ Further develop:

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## → Rotating Systems!

- Many astrophysical systems:

⇒ convection + rotation



Jupiter

- bands

- T<sub>day</sub> ~ 10 hrs

How do they interact?

- Key point: rotation changes the  
{ freezing - in law of  
{ vorticity dynamics.

Recall:

$$\partial_t \underline{\omega} - r \nabla^2 \underline{\omega} = \nabla \times \underline{v} \times \underline{\omega}$$

akin:  $\underline{E} + \frac{\underline{v} \times \underline{B}}{c} = \underline{mJ}$

induction  
eqn. for  
vorticity

$$\nabla \times \underline{E} = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \underline{B}}{\partial t}$$

then

$$\frac{\partial \underline{B}}{\partial t} - \eta \nabla^2 \underline{B} = \underline{D} \times \underline{V} \times \underline{B}$$

Compressible:  $\underline{\omega}/\rho$ ,  $\underline{B}/\rho$  frozen in  
hereafter incompressible, what of  
energetic?

Now,  $\frac{\partial \underline{\omega}}{\partial t} + \underline{V} \cdot \underline{D} \underline{\omega} - \nu \nabla^2 \underline{\omega} = \underline{\omega} \cdot \underline{D} \underline{V}$

$$\frac{d \underline{\omega}}{dt} = \underline{\omega} \cdot \underline{D} \underline{V} \rightarrow \text{note structure}$$

Consider 2 test particles at  $\underline{r}_1, \underline{r}_2$

"Frozen into" flow:

$\frac{d \underline{r}_1}{dt} = \underline{V}(\underline{r}_1, t)$

$$\frac{d \underline{u}}{dt} = -\gamma \left( \frac{\underline{u} - \underline{V}(\underline{r}, t)}{r_1} \right)$$

$\frac{d \underline{r}_2}{dt} = \underline{V}(\underline{r}_2, t)$

so let  $\underline{d} = \underline{r}_2 - \underline{r}_1$

think of as denoting filament



$$\frac{d}{dt} d\underline{l} = \underline{v}(\underline{r}_+ + \frac{d\underline{l}}{dt}, t) - \underline{v}(\underline{r}_- - \frac{d\underline{l}}{dt}, t)$$

$$\approx d\underline{l} \cdot \nabla \underline{v}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} d\underline{l} = d\underline{l} \cdot \nabla \underline{v}$$

eqn. for frozen  
in vector filament

$\Rightarrow$   $d\underline{l}$  follows the  
flow and is stretched  
by it

$\Rightarrow$   $d\underline{l}$  is vector field

"frozen into" the flow.

$$\text{Since: } \frac{d\underline{\omega}}{dt} = \underline{\omega} \cdot \nabla \underline{v}$$

has same form as  $d\underline{l}$  equation we say  
vorticity 'frozen into' the flow. Vortex  
filaments follow, and are stretched by,  
the flow.

Obviously: freezing-in  $\leftrightarrow$  Kelvin's Thm.

$\downarrow$   
local, field (vector)  
condition

$\int$   
integrated  
(oriented) scalar.

Now, in rotating fluids:

$\underline{v}_L \rightarrow \underline{v} + \underline{\Omega} \times \underline{r}$ , etc.  
 frame of lab  
 so, for  $\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{v} = 0$ ,

$\underline{\Omega} = \underline{\Omega} \underline{\hat{z}}$

centrifugal force  
↳ lab and

$$\left( \frac{\partial \underline{v}}{\partial t} + \underline{v} \cdot \underline{\nabla} \underline{v} \right) = - \underline{\nabla} \left( \frac{p}{\rho} - \frac{\underline{\Omega}^2 r^2}{2} \right)$$
 (into pressure)  
 $\rightarrow$  Coriolis force.  
 $+ \underline{v} \times 2 \underline{\Omega}$

$\underline{v} \cdot \underline{\nabla} \underline{v} = \underline{\nabla} (\underline{v}^2) - \underline{v} \times \underline{\omega}$

$\Rightarrow$

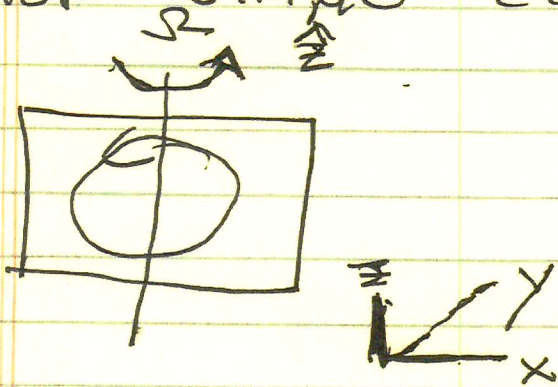
$$\frac{\partial \underline{v}}{\partial t} = - \underline{\nabla} \left( \frac{p}{\rho} + \frac{\underline{v}^2}{2} - \underline{\Omega}^2 r^2 \right)$$
 centrifugal  
 $+ \underline{v} \times \underline{\omega} + \underline{v} \times 2 \underline{\Omega}$ 
 Coriolis  
 Relative vorticity  
 planetary  
 mean vorticity

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\underline{\omega} + 2 \underline{\Omega}) = \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{v} \times (\underline{\omega} + 2 \underline{\Omega}) + \underline{v} \cdot \underline{\nabla} \underline{\omega}$$

$\therefore - \underline{\omega} + 2 \underline{\Omega}$  frozen in  
 $- \int d\mathbf{a} \cdot (\underline{\omega} + 2 \underline{\Omega})$  conserved to  $V$ .



So, for simple case:



later  
consider tilt,  
etc.  
→ GFD

$$\frac{\partial \underline{\omega}}{\partial t} + \underline{v} \cdot \nabla (\underline{\omega} + 2\underline{\Omega}) - r \nabla^2 \underline{\omega} = (2\underline{\Omega} + \underline{\omega}) \cdot \nabla \underline{v}$$

$$\frac{d\underline{\omega}}{dt} - r \nabla^2 \underline{\omega} = (2\underline{\Omega} + \underline{\omega}) \cdot \nabla \underline{v}$$

$$= 2\underline{\Omega} \frac{\partial \underline{v}}{\partial z} + \underline{\omega} \cdot \nabla \underline{v}$$

For  $\Omega \gg |\underline{\omega}|, |\nabla \underline{v}|$ ; strong rotation  
 ↓ mean vorticity

i.e. system rotation strongly compared to relative vorticity.

- motions cannot vary in direction of  $\underline{\Omega}$
- all <sup>slow</sup> steady motions in rotating, inviscid are necessarily two dimensional.

lim  $\Omega \gg$  all else  $\Rightarrow$

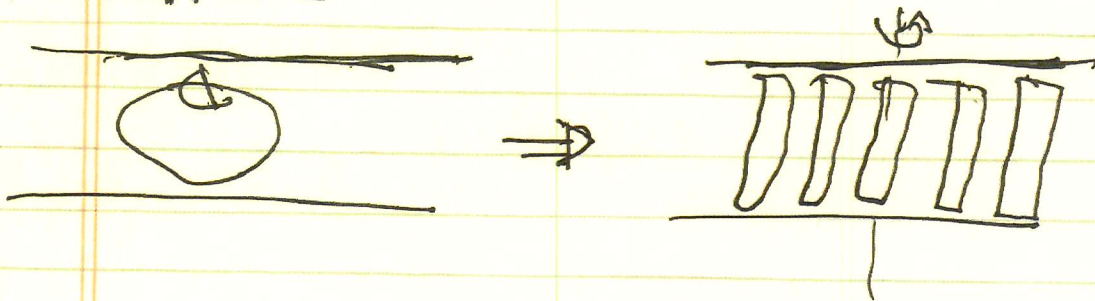
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$$2\Omega \frac{\partial \underline{v}}{\partial z} \approx \underline{\omega} \times \underline{v}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Taylor-Proudman Theorem  
(1921, 1916)

$\Rightarrow$  Rapid rotation <sup>"</sup>two-dimensionalizes" <sup>"</sup>the flow.

$\Rightarrow$  Cells organize on top:  
"Taylor columns" Proudman  
Pillars"  $\rightarrow$  i.e. shift in cartoon.



$\Rightarrow$  viscous boundary layer top/bottom  
 $\nu k^2 \rightarrow$  Ekman Layer

(Fluid rotating, tank not)  
may enter.

Next: Consider:  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} - \text{waves in rotating fluids} \\ - \text{Convection in rotating systems.} \end{array} \right.$



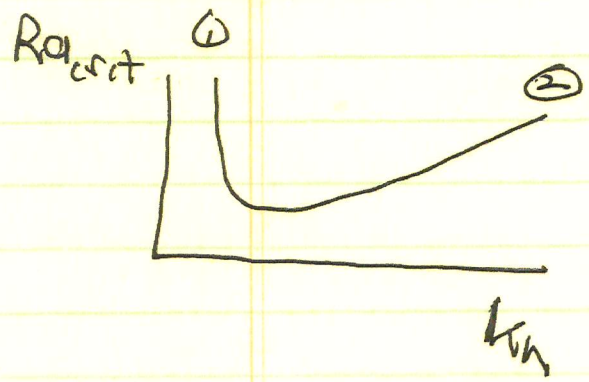
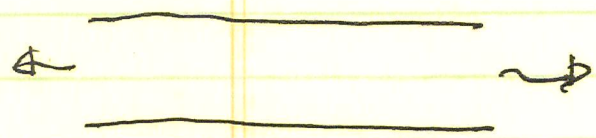
Lecture VII - More Convection

Winter 2018

Aside: Convection in tall, thin box  
(Question from LE).

Recall:  
- 'Lesson' from study of Rayleigh-Benard Convection is that boundary conditions matter!

recall case study was "short, wide" box



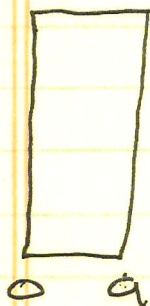
- dismissed side
- focus on stress-free no slip top, bottom.

② → increasing diffusive damping due high  $k_x$

① increasing diffusive damping due small vertical scales (~ high  $k_z$ ).

tall, thin box

Now:



→ ignore top/bottom boundary

→ no-slip on side walls is key → and only relevant case

i.e.  $v_z \Rightarrow w; w(0) = w(a) = 0$

side B.L.



side B.L. due no-slip

- long thin cell must fight no-slip b.c.'s on side wall

- higher  $k_h$  will introduce high  $k_y$  damping.

∴ - expect high  $Ra_{crit}$  due side-wall no slip, even at  $k_h \rightarrow k_h \min$ .

- curvature of  $Ra_{crit}$  vs  $k_h$  curve TBD. Speculate rather weak curvature,

- as side surface area  $\gg$  top surface area, expect top no-slip vs other's free convection not significant.



- ① → Introduction to Rotating Convection  
 — Intermezzo on Lorenz Theory.
- ② → Basics of Waves.

## A.) Convection + Rotation

- see Lecture 6 for  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Rotstern} \\ \text{Freezing-in Law} \\ \text{Taylor-Proudman Thm.} \end{array} \right.$

Key pt: For  $\Omega$  large enough  
 flow is two-dimensionalized

- Inertial Waves
- Rotating Convection

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→ Inertial Waves → (radial) buoyancy waves in rotating fluid

→ Recall Pblm 4, set 1:

Fluid rotates at  $\Omega \vec{e}_z$ ,  $k_z = 0$   
 (convenience),  $k_r, k_z \neq 0$

$$\Rightarrow \omega^2 = k_z^2 (4\Omega^2) / (k_z^2 + k_r^2)$$

and, with radial b.c., eigenvalue.

→ Quick derivations:

- From vorticity equation (T-P thm.)  
linearization:

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{\omega}}{\partial t} + \underline{v} \cdot \nabla (\underline{\omega} + 2\underline{\Omega}) = 2\underline{\Omega} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \underline{\tilde{v}}$$

$+ \tilde{\omega} \cdot \nabla \underline{\tilde{v}}$

so

$$\partial_t \tilde{\omega}_z = 2\underline{\Omega} \partial_z \tilde{v}_z$$

and, from EOM

$$\frac{\partial \underline{\tilde{v}}}{\partial t} + \tilde{\omega} \cdot \nabla \underline{\tilde{v}} = -\nabla \psi^* + \underline{v} \times 2\underline{\Omega} \hat{z}$$

$$\nabla \times \nabla \times \underline{v} \Rightarrow$$

$$\partial_t \nabla (\nabla \cdot \underline{\tilde{v}}) - \partial_t \nabla^2 \underline{\tilde{v}} = 0$$

$$+ \nabla \times \nabla \times [\underline{v} \times 2\underline{\Omega} \hat{z}]$$

$$\Rightarrow -\partial_t \nabla^2 \underline{\tilde{v}} = \text{[crossed out terms]}$$

$$\nabla \times (2\underline{\Omega} \partial_z \underline{\tilde{v}}) - \underline{\tilde{v}} \cdot \nabla 2\underline{\Omega} \hat{z}$$



$\infty, \approx$

$$-\partial_t \nabla^2 \tilde{U}_z = 2\Omega \partial_z \tilde{\omega}_z$$

axial gradient  
in  $\tilde{\omega} \Rightarrow$  axial  
acceleration

and:

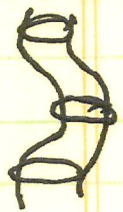
$$\partial_t \tilde{\omega}_z = 2\Omega \partial_z \tilde{U}_z$$

stretching vortex  
 $\Rightarrow$  vorticity  
fluctuation

$\Rightarrow$  vertical wave dispersion relation

$$\omega^2 = k_z^2 4\Omega^2 / (k_r^2 + k_z^2)$$

- physics is rotating flow vortex lines don't like being bent ( $k_z \neq 0$ )
- $\Rightarrow$  imposes energy penalty for motions with finite  $k_z$
- $\Rightarrow$  (+) definite contribution to  $dW$
- rough picture is one of gyroscopic restoring force (conservation  $L_z$ )

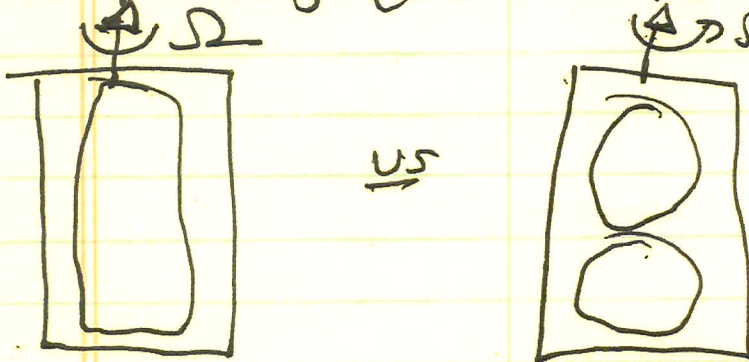


- analogous to Alfvén waves and field line bending in MHD
- $\omega^2 = k_r^2 V_A^2$

- aside: - backward wave:  $V_{gr} < 0$   
 -  $\omega = 0$  finite  $k_z$  modes (sheet layers).

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$\Rightarrow$  as convection necessitates cellular overturning (i.e. finite  $k_z$ ),



low  $k_z$  ( $k_z \text{ min}$ ) motions favored

$\Rightarrow$  tracks T-P thm. conclusion of 2D-ization of the flow.

$\rightarrow$  suggests that rotation is (strong) stabilizing effect on convection.

\* Also suggests that another dimensionless number enters comparing rotation to viscous dissipation  $\Rightarrow$  naturally:

$$\overline{Ta} = 4 \Omega^2 d^4 / \nu^2 \sim \frac{(2\Omega)^2}{(\nu/d)^2} \quad d \equiv \text{box size}$$

Taylor Number



~ Taylor number captures natural competition between rotation and viscous diffusion.

~  $Ta$  joins  $Ra$ ,  $Pr$  as key parameters in convective stability theory

~  $Ra_{crit} = Ra_{crit}(Pr, Ta)$  is now

stability threshold problem.

N.B.  $Ra$ ,  $Ta$  both involve  $\gamma$  but are distinct -  $\alpha g \Delta T / d$  vs  $\Omega^2$ .

Can combine stationary convection and inertial wave calculations to obtain basic equations:

$$\partial_t \theta = \partial_z W + K \nabla^2 \theta$$

$$\partial_t \nabla^2 W = g \alpha \nabla_h^2 \theta + \gamma \nabla^2 \nabla^2 W - 2\Omega \partial_z \omega_z$$

$$\partial_t \omega_z = -2\Omega \partial_z W$$

(derive)

notation as before.

For ideal stability:

$$\omega^2 = \left[ -g \alpha \beta k_h^2 + (4 - \Omega^2) k_z^2 \right] / k^2$$

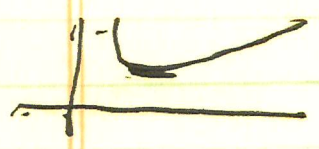
- favors high  $k_h$ , low  $k_z$  cells
- ⇒
- Taylor columns (thin) and Proudman pillars, as shown in movies.
- stabilizing effect of rotation evident

For viscous, conductive stability with rotation, then:

$$Ra_{crit} = Ra_{crit}(Ta, \alpha_{min}), \text{ for } Pr \gg 1,$$

↓  
 $k_h h$

One can further specify  $Ra_{crit}$  as  $Ra_{crit}$  minimum (vs  $\alpha = k_h h$ )

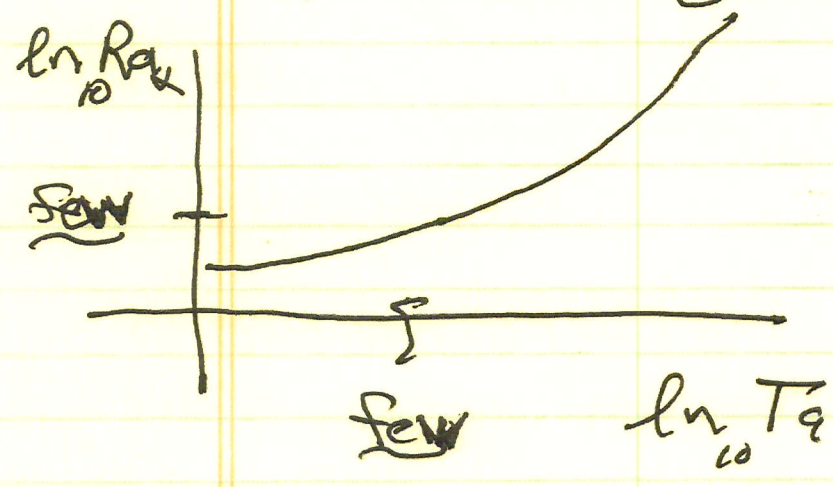




$R_{ex} = R_{ex}(T_a)$

Taylor # dependence

For all cases { no-slip stress free



{ demonstrates stabilizing effect rotation.

→ can develop variational principle for exchange-of-stabilities case. Need also treat over-stable limit.

→ Cultural Aside : Magnetoconvection

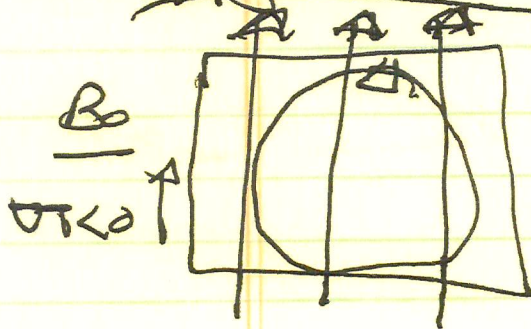
Dynamo-generated magnetic fields can feed back on convection. A particular example is sunspots (i.e. dark - lower T ? - convection weakened), which are

N.B.: Comment on dissipation effects.

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associated with strong magnetic fields

⇒ Magnetocoupling



- similar to rotation problem, with 'bending element' due  $B_0$   
⇒ i.e. energy penalty

- Alfvén wave replaces inertial wave.

- expulsion can occur, etc.

Enough linear stability theory!

Intermezzo

Commentary: Landau Equations / Law.

← to date, linear stability

→ Nonlinear evolution??

⇒ difficult problem, especially for turbulence...

⇒ seek characterize weakly-nonlinear evolution, i.e. Far flow shear / tilt instability (stabilized by viscosity)