Geophysical Fluid Dynamics

Lecture V, VI, VII: Conservation Laws

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- **2** Conservation of Mass Continuity Equation
	- Conservation Equation for a tracer
	- Advection-Diffusion
	- Diffusion
- **3** Conservation of Momentum
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	- Navier-Stokes Equations
	- Euler Equation
	- The case of a rotating frame (towards the GFD Eq.)

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- **4** Conservation of Energy
	- Kinetic, Mechanical, Potential and Total Energy
	- First and Second law of thermodynamics
	- Bernoulli's Equation Principle

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$$
\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u}) = 0
$$
 (1)

or

$$
1/\rho \frac{D\rho}{Dt} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0.
$$
 (2)

For a steady flow, it reduces to

$$
\nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u}) = 0 \tag{3}
$$

For an incompressible flow, it reduces to

$$
\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0 \tag{4}
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Continuity

$$
\rho_1 u_1 A_1 = \rho_2 u_2 A_2 \tag{5}
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so that, in this case, $u_2 > u_1$.

Conservation law for a substance/tracer

The molecular coefficient

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K = U^c \times I,
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 (6)

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where U^c is the characteristic velocity and *l* is the free molecular distance. Units are m^2s^{-1} .

If we have advection and diffusion the balance is

∂C $\frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{c}}{\partial t}$ = (Advection in - Advection out) + (Diffusion in - Diffusion out) (7)

Conservation law for a substance/tracer

$$
\boxed{\frac{DC}{Dt} = -C\nabla\mathbf{u} - K\nabla^2 C}
$$
 (8)

For incompressible / steady flows, since $\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = 0 \rightarrow \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$ so we have the Advection-Diffusion Equation

$$
\frac{DC}{Dt} = -K\nabla^2 C
$$
 (9)

If we assume no advection $(u = 0)$, then we have the *Diffusion* Equation

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\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} = -K\nabla^2 C \tag{10}
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