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Equation of state of a compressible fluid

Commonly encountered approach (ideal perfect gas) :

- equation of state relates pressure, density and temperature
- specific heat defines internal energy
- potential temperature used to characterize adiabatic transforms
- complemented by a bunch of other relationships

$$\begin{aligned}p &= \rho RT \\e &= c_v T \\ \theta &= T \left(\frac{p}{p_0} \right)^{-R/c_p} \\ c_p - c_v &= R\end{aligned}$$

Pro :

- simple
- avoids reviving bad memories about entropy, second law, Maxwell relationships, ...

Con :

- « accidental » relationships
- cumbersome for non-ideal gases (variable c_p)
- cumbersome for mixtures (moist air, salty water)
- overall *energetic consistency*

$$\begin{aligned}\pi &= c_p \left(\frac{p}{p_0} \right)^{R/c_p} \\ e + \frac{p}{\rho} &= c_p T = \theta \pi \\ \frac{1}{\rho} dp &= \theta d\pi\end{aligned}$$

Thermodynamics of a compressible fluid

Systematic approach (Ooyama, 1990 ;
Bannon, 2003 ; Feistel, 2008)

- state variables :
 - specific volume/pressure
 - specific entropy / temperature
 - mixing ratio / chemical potential (mixtures)
- All relations follow from the expression of a single thermodynamic potential

$$\begin{aligned} de(s, \alpha, r) &= Tds - p d\alpha + \mu dr \\ d(e + \alpha p) &= dh(s, p, r) = Tds + \alpha dp + \mu dr \\ d(h - Ts) &= dg(T, p, r) = -s dT + \alpha dp + \mu dr \end{aligned}$$

Pro :

- always energetically consistent
- general : variable cp, mixtures

Con :

- none
- unless you *really* hate thermodynamics

$$\begin{aligned} e(\alpha, s) &= c_v T_r \left(\frac{\alpha}{\alpha_r} \right)^{-R/C_v} \exp \frac{s}{C_v} \\ T(\alpha, s) &= \frac{\partial e}{\partial s} = \frac{e}{C_v} \\ p(\alpha, s) &= -\frac{\partial e}{\partial \alpha} = \frac{R}{C_v} \frac{e}{\alpha} \\ \alpha p &= RT \\ s &= C_p \log \frac{T}{T_r} - R \log \frac{p}{p_r} = C_p \log \frac{\theta}{T_r} \end{aligned}$$

Gibbs function for CAM-SE

See *Lauritzen et al., JAMES 2017*

- Dry air, water vapor and condensates : cloud liquid, cloud ice, rain, snow
- Gaseous phase (d,wv) is a perfect mixture of ideal perfect gases
- Condensates (cl, ci, rn, sn) have constant heat capacity and specific volume.

$$G(T, p) = \sum_{l=d,wv} N^{(l)} \left(c_p^{(l)} \left(1 - \log \frac{T}{T_0} \right) + r \log \frac{p}{p_0} \right) T - TS_{mix}(N^{(d)}, N^{(wv)})$$
$$+ \sum_{l=cl,ci,rn,sn} m^{(l)} \left(c^{(l)} \left(1 - \log \frac{T}{T_0} \right) T + \alpha^{(l)} p \right)$$

$$V(T, p) = \frac{\partial G}{\partial p} = \frac{rT}{p} \sum_l N^{(l)} + \sum_l V^{(l)}$$

$$S(T, p) = -\frac{\partial G}{\partial T} = \sum_l N^{(l)} \left(c_p^{(l)} \log \frac{T}{T_0} - r \log \frac{p}{p_0} \right) + S_{mix}(N^{(d)}, N^{(wv)})$$
$$+ \sum_l m^{(l)} c^{(l)} \log \frac{T}{T_0}$$

$$H(T, p) = G + TS = \left(\sum_l N^{(l)} c_p^{(l)} + \sum_l m^{(l)} c^{(l)} \right) T + \sum_l V^{(l)} p$$

Basic idea of Boussinesq approximations :
 pressure remains close to a fixed reference profile

$$p = \bar{p}(\Phi) + p'$$

$$\bar{\rho}(\Phi) \equiv -\frac{\partial \bar{p}}{\partial \Phi}$$

$$\bar{\rho} = \rho(\bar{p}, \bar{s})$$

$$\frac{D\dot{\mathbf{x}}}{Dt} + \text{curl} \mathbf{R} \times \dot{\mathbf{x}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p'}_{\text{Buoyancy}} = \underbrace{-\left(\frac{\bar{\rho}}{\rho} - 1\right)}_{\text{Inertia}} \mathbf{g}$$

$$\rho(\bar{p} + p', s) = \underbrace{\rho(\bar{p}, \bar{s})}_{\bar{\rho}(\Phi)} + \underbrace{\rho(\bar{p}, s) - \rho(\bar{p}, \bar{s})}_{\rho^*(\Phi, s)} + \underbrace{\rho(\bar{p} + p', s) - \rho(\bar{p}, s)}_{\simeq \rho' = c^{-2} p'}$$

**Reference density
varies with
altitude / depth**

**Warmer air rises,
colder water sinks**

**Density fluctuates due to
pressure variations caused by
flow (dynamic pressure)**

$$\frac{D\dot{\mathbf{x}}}{Dt} + \text{curl}\mathbf{R} \times \dot{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p' = -b\mathbf{g}$$

- Exact : $\rho = \rho(p, s)$ $b = \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\rho} - 1$
- Pseudo-incompressible : $\rho = \rho^*(\Phi, s)$ $b = \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\rho^*} - 1 - \frac{\rho'\bar{\rho}}{\rho^{*2}}$
- Anelastic : $\rho = \bar{\rho}(\Phi)$ $b = \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\rho^*} - 1 - \frac{\rho'}{\bar{\rho}}$
- Depth-dependent Boussinesq : $\rho = \rho_0 = cst$ $b = \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\rho^*} - 1$
- Simple Boussinesq : $\rho = \rho_0 = cst$ $b = \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\rho_0^*} - 1$

$$\rho_0^*(s) \equiv \rho(p_0, s)$$

Fully compressible

Atmosphere

Ocean

Incompressible

All the above combinations conserve energy/momentum/potential vorticity.

$$\frac{D}{Dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\mathbf{x}}} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{x}} - \frac{1}{\rho} \nabla \left(\rho^2 \frac{\partial L}{\partial \rho} \right) = 0 \quad \frac{\partial L}{\partial p'} = 0 \quad L = K(\mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}}) - E(\mathbf{x}, \rho, s, p')$$

- Exact :

$$E = \Phi + h(\bar{p} + p', s) - \frac{\bar{p} + p'}{\rho}$$

- Pseudo-incompressible :

$$E = \Phi + h(\bar{p}, s) + \frac{p'}{\rho^*} - \frac{\bar{p} + p'}{\rho}$$

- Anelastic :

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- Depth-dependent Boussinesq :

$$E = \Phi + h(\bar{p}, s) + \frac{p'}{\rho_0} - \frac{\bar{p} + p'}{\rho}$$

- Simple Boussinesq :

$$E = \Phi \left(1 - \frac{\rho_0}{\rho_0^*(s)} \right) + \frac{p'}{\rho_0} - \frac{\bar{p} + p'}{\rho}$$

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Possible moist energies and implications for phys/dyn coupling

$$\begin{array}{cccc} \text{water} & \text{vapor} & \text{liquid} & \text{ice} \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ \rho_w & = & \rho_v & + \rho_l + \rho_s \end{array}$$

$$\rho = \rho_d + \rho_w$$

$$\mathcal{H} = \int (K + P + U) d^3x$$

Kinetic Potential Internal
↓ ↓ ↓

1) Thermodynamic equilibrium

$$S, \rho_d, \rho_w \mapsto \rho_v, \rho_l, \rho_s$$

e.g. *Bannon (2003)*

$$P + U = \rho\Phi + U(S, \rho_d, \rho_w)$$

Per unit volume

2) Out-of-equilibrium

$$P + U = \rho\Phi + U(S, \rho_d, \rho_v, \rho_l, \rho_s)$$

+ return to thermodynamic equilibrium

3) Box-averaged

$$P + U = \rho\Phi + \langle U(S, \rho_d, \rho_v, \rho_l, \rho_s) \rangle$$

4) Constant latent heat (~CAM)

$$P + U = \rho\Phi + U(S, \rho_d, \rho_v) - L_{vap}\rho_l - L_{sub}\rho_s$$

5) Passive water (LMDZ)

$$P + U = \rho_d\Phi + U(S, \rho_d) - L_{vap}\rho_l - L_{sub}\rho_s$$

Possible moist energies and implications for phys/dyn coupling

- 1) $P + U = \rho\Phi + U(S, \rho_d, \rho_w)$
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1-2 : neglects subgrid variability => CRM

3 : blurs the frontier between dynamics and physics

1-4 : precipitation changes hydrostatic surface pressure

1-4 : kinetic + potential energy lost through precipitation should be converted into heat (atmosphere); convert lost internal energy into heat (ocean) ?

4-5 : Kirchoff's law imposes $C_{pv} = C_l \Leftrightarrow dL_{vap} = (C_{pv} - C_l)dT$

5 : Evaporation/precipitation changes ocean pressure
less accurate, good enough until ... ?

Tendencies vs sources, fluxes

$$\rho C_p \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla T \right) = \underbrace{\frac{Dp}{Dt}}_{\text{Dynamics}} + \underbrace{\dot{Q} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}}_{\text{Physics}} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = -\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla T + \frac{1}{\rho C_p} \frac{Dp}{Dt} \\ \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \frac{\dot{Q} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}}{\rho C_p} \end{array} \right.$$

- This splitting of roles is typically associated with some kind of time splitting
- Makes sense from a purely mathematical point of view
- However we are not just solving equations ; these terms come with « meta-data » :
 - Fast / slow
 - Reversible / irreversible
 - Sources / fluxes
- We should use that information when designing physics/dynamics coupling
- Some physical processes perform an instantaneous reorganization of the atmospheric column : *dry static adjustment, deep/shallow convection*.
- Such processes are not described by sources/fluxes/tendencies. Can sometimes be described by other concepts : deep convection => map describing how mass of each layer gets redistributed into other layers.

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Dynamics Physics

To compute physics tendencies from sources/fluxes, one needs to make **assumptions** on **thermodynamics** (perfect gas, C_p), **geometry** (deep atm / shallow atm), choice of **prognostic variable**.

$$\rho \pi \left(\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \theta \right) = \dot{Q} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} \qquad \rho T \left(\frac{\partial s}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla s \right) = \dot{Q} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}$$

- Sources/fluxes are objective : observable / unambiguously defined independently from implementation choices
caveat : proper conventions still required, e.g. flux per unit surface / angle
- Source terms in **flux-form** have implications in terms of **total energy budget**, computing their divergence consistently would better be done by dynamics or physics-dynamics interface
- Even more the case if physics is a black-box (e.g. neural network)

The above may not be relevant for processes which quickly reorganize the atmospheric column.

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