


 Faculty of Sciences

PHY1352 Physics of fluids

[45h+22.5h exercises] 6 credits

This course is taught in the 1st semester

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Language: French
Level: First cycle

Aims

To be acquainted with the basic principles of fluid mechanics (kinematics; budget of mass, momentum and energy) and understand the main flow regimes, i.e. the compressible, incompressible and geophysical flows.

Main themes

Fundamentals: continuous media, Eulerian and Lagrangian descriptions, budget of mass, budget of momentum, budget of energy and entropy, non-inertial frame, dynamic similarity

Ideal flows: dimensionless parameters, acoustic waves, compressible flows, shock waves, nonlinear waves

Incompressible flows: Boussinesq approximation, energy method, 1D flows, lubrication, boundary layers, notions of turbulence

Geophysical flows: geohydrodynamic equations, dimensionless parameters, inertia oscillations, Ekman layer, shallow-water equations, Poincaré and Kelvin waves

Other information (prerequisite, evaluation (assessment methods), course materials recommended readings, ...)

Main reference

Kundu P.K. and I.M. Cohen, 2004 (3rd ed.), Fluid Mechanics, Elsevier

Additional references

Anderson J.D., 1998, A History of Aerodynamics, Cambridge University Press

Batchelor, G.K., 1967, An Introduction to Fluid Dynamics, Cambridge University Press

Frisch U., 1995, Turbulence, Cambridge University Press

McWilliams J.C., 2006, Fundamentals of Geophysical Fluid Dynamics, Cambridge University Press

Pope S.B., 2000, Turbulent Flows, Cambridge University Press

Tennekes, H. and J.L. Lumley, 1972, A First Course in Turbulence, MIT Press

Tritton, D.J., 1988, Physical Fluid Dynamics, Oxford University Press

Vallis G.K., 2006, Atmospheric and Oceanic Fluid Dynamics, Cambridge University Press

Van Dyke, M., 1988, An Album of Fluid Motion, The Parabolic Press

Whitham, G.B., 1974, Linear and Nonlinear Waves, Wiley

Other credits in programs

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