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1. Based on the definition of potential temperature θ , derive that $\frac{T}{\theta} \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} + \frac{g}{c_p}$ where $g/c_p = \Gamma_d$ is the dry adiabatic lapse rate and explain according to stability criteria why the inversion layer is very stable for a parcel displacement. (10%)
2. From the thermal-wind equation given by $\frac{\partial \mathbf{V}_g}{\partial \ln p} = -\frac{R}{f} \mathbf{k} \times \nabla_p T$, please show that from this equation it cannot have a warm (cold) air advection if geostrophic wind in the Northern Hemisphere in turns counterclockwise (clockwise) with height. (10%)
3. Discuss gradient wind (with balanced forcings) in a low pressure system in the Northern Hemisphere ($f > 0$) and explain why the wind will be stronger in an anomalous low than in a regular low. (10%)
4. Starting from the horizontal momentum equations, please derive the vertical-vorticity equation and discuss the physical meaning of each term in the equation. (15%)
5. Starting from the steady-state horizontal momentum equations with vertical turbulent mixing in the well-mixed planetary boundary layer of depth h and assuming bulk aerodynamic formula for the surface momentum flux, please solve the boundary-layer flow and explain why this flow must cross the pressure contour toward the lower pressure according to forcing balance. (15%)
6. What is the quasi-geostrophic approximation? What is the role of a secondary circulation in a quasi-geostrophic system? (15%)
7. What is phase speed and what is group velocity? State the mechanisms of sound waves, internal gravity waves, and Rossby waves. (10%)
8. State the conditions for static instability, inertial instability, and baroclinic instability. What is available potential energy? State the energetic of baroclinic waves. (15%)