

Answer to problem 1

Section 1.14 of the lecture notes.

Answer to problem 2

The average vorticity within the circle with radius r around the centre of the cyclone is

$$\bar{\zeta}(r) = \frac{C(r)}{\pi r^2},$$

where $C(r)$ is the circulation around the circle with radius r .

For $r \leq R$ this implies that

$$\bar{\zeta}(r) = \frac{2\pi r v_0 r}{\pi r^2 R} = \frac{2v_0}{R} \equiv \zeta_0 = \text{constant}.$$

The vorticity inside the radius of maximum wind (in the core of the cyclone) is constant.

For $r > R$ this implies that

$$\bar{\zeta}(r) = \frac{2\pi r v_0 R}{\pi r^2 r} = \frac{2v_0 R}{r^2}.$$

This average vorticity is an area-weighted average of the constant vorticity in the core of the cyclone and the yet unknown vorticity-profile outside the core of the cyclone, i.e.

$$\bar{\zeta}(r) = \frac{2v_0 R}{r^2} = \frac{2\pi \left(\int_0^R \zeta_0 r dr + \int_R^r \zeta(r) r dr \right)}{\pi r^2}$$

or

$$v_0 R = \int_0^R \zeta_0 r dr + \int_R^r \zeta(r) r dr = \int_0^R \frac{2v_0}{R} r dr + \int_R^r \zeta(r) r dr = v_0 R + \int_R^r \zeta(r) r dr.$$

In other words,

$$\int_R^r \zeta(r) r dr = 0$$

for all values of $r > R$, so that

$$\boxed{\zeta(r) = 0}$$

for all values of $r > R$, and

$$\boxed{\zeta(r) = \frac{2v_0}{R}}$$

for all values of $r \leq R$.

Answer to problem 3

Section 1.34 of the lecture notes.

Answer to problem 4

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Answers to problem 5 (multiple choice)

- (i) c
- (ii) b
- (iii) c
- (iv) b
- (v) a
- (vi) a