

**Static Mantle Density Distribution 1 Equation**

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**Abstract:**

The study of mantle distribution does relate to the reflecting of seismic waves, and has important meaning. Using Archimedes Principle of Sink or Buoyancy (APSB), Newton's gravitation, buoyancy, lateral buoyancy, centrifugal force and the Principle of Minimum Potential Energy (PMPE), we derive equation of static mantle density distribution. It is a set of double-integral equations of Volterra/Fredholm type. Some new results are: (1) The mantle is divorced into sink zone, neural zone and buoyed zone. The sink zone is located in a region with boundaries of a inclined line, with angle  $\alpha_1 = 35^\circ 15'$ , apex at  $O(0, 0, 0)$  revolving around the z-axis, inside the crust involving the equator. The buoyed zone is located in the remainder part, inside the crust involving poles. The neural zone is the boundary between the buoyed and sink zones. The shape of core (in sink zone) is not a sphere. (2) Potential energy inside the Earth is calculated by Newton's gravity, buoyancy, centrifugal force and lateral buoyancy. (3) The gravitational acceleration above/on the crust is tested by formula with two parameters reflecting gravity and centrifugal

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22 force, and the phenomenon of “heavier substance sinks down in vertical  
23 direction due to attraction force, and moves towards to edges in  
24 horizontal direction due to centrifugal force” is tested by **a cup of  
25 stirring coffee.**

26 **Key Words:** Structure of the Earth, Newton Gravity, Archimedes  
27 buoyancy, lateral buoyancy, Potential energy, Principle of minimum  
28 potential energy, Lagrange multipliers .

### 29 **1.Introduction**

30 Although there are many researches and books on Earth structure, e.g.,  
31 [1-5], etc. However, most studies focus on physical and chemistry  
32 properties, dynamic analysis. Seldom paper on study of mantle  
33 distribution has been found. The study of mantle distribution does relate  
34 to the reflecting of seismic waves, and has important meaning. For  
35 example, a recent paper [6] shows that the energy release of earthquake  
36 proportions to the square of Earth rotation velocity, and the calculation of  
37 energy release relates to seismic waves.

38 We study mantle density distribution in three steps, first, to derive an  
39 equation of static mantle distribution; second, to solve the equation; third,  
40 to apply the solution to crust loading analysis. The aim of this paper is to  
41 derive equation of static mantle density distribution.

42 The Newton’s law of universal gravitation is a part of classical mechanics

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43 and has basic importance for wide fields, especially in astronomy and  
44 gravity. According to Newton's gravity, all objects with mass above on  
45 crust are attracted to the ground no matted on large or small size of mass.  
46 However, **the Newton's law of universal gravitation does not consider**  
47 **the effect of environmental factors (such as media, temperature,**  
48 **pressure, motion, etc.) between the masses.** For the case of masses  
49 immersed in a fluid media, **buoyancy against gravity, it puts lighter**  
50 **object up.** Which reveals that the up or down of the object depends on  
51 the resultant force of attraction and buoyancy. Which is summarized as  
52 "Archimedes' principle of sink or buoy"(APSB) . The **buoyancy** has the  
53 same important as gravity in the study of Earth, which is emphasized in  
54 [7]. If only attraction force exists, then, all objects are attracted to the  
55 ground, the Earth becomes death. Since the buoyancy exists, as an oppose  
56 force, it keeps the system to equilibrium. The Earth being a planet with  
57 life is relying on the gravity force and buoyancy force, the later makes  
58 cycles of water to evaporation to cloud, cloud to water droplet, and water  
59 droplet to rain. The cycle brings water to everywhere on Earth to keep life  
60 existence.

61 Using APSB, Newton's universal gravitation, buoyancy, lateral buoyancy,  
62 centrifugal force and PMPE, we derive equation of static mantle density  
63 distribution. It is a set of double-integral equations of Volterra/ Fredholm

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64 type . We test gravitational acceleration above/on the crust by formula  
65 with two parameters reflecting gravity and centrifugal force,; and also test  
66 the phenomenon of “heavier substance sinks down in vertical direction  
67 due to attraction force, and moves towards to edges in horizontal  
68 direction due to centrifugal force” by a cup of stirring coffee.

## 69 **2. Method/Material , Theory/Calculation**

### 70 **2.1 Basic hypotheses, coordinates and study range**

71 (1) The Earth is assumed to be an ellipsoid with equator radius  $R_e$  and  
72 pole radius  $R_p$ :

$$73 \left(\frac{r}{R_e}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{z}{R_p}\right)^2 = 1, \quad (2.1-1)$$

74 (2)Mantle masses are co-here with continuously, fully filled, z-axial-  
75 symmetry and equatorial-plane-symmetry distributed incompressible  
76 non-isotropic liquid medium masses.

77 **Notation:** The **bold face** denotes **vector**.  $A := \{B|C\}$  means A is defined  
78 by B with property C.

79 Let  $(x, y, z)$  be the Cartesian coordinates of the geometrical center of the  
80 Earth with origin  $O(0, 0, 0)$ . The coordinates  $(x, y, z)$  is chosen that the z-  
81 axes is perpendicular to the equatorial plane  $xOy$  with  $z = 0$  at  $xOy$ .

### 82 **Cylindrical coordinates**

83 Let  $(r, \theta, z)$  be the cylindrical coordinates of the geometric center of the  
84 Earth. The relation between  $(x, y)$  and  $(r, \theta)$  is:

$$\begin{cases} x = r \cos \theta, \\ y = r \sin \theta, \end{cases} (0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi, 0 \leq r < \infty, -\infty < z < \infty) \quad (2.1-2)$$

( $\mathbf{i}$ ,  $\mathbf{j}$ ,  $\mathbf{k}$ ) and ( $\mathbf{e}_r$ ,  $\mathbf{e}_\theta$ ,  $\mathbf{k}$ ) denote the unit vectors of Cartesian and

cylindrical coordinates respectively. By hypotheses 2, a point  $f(r, \theta, z)$

independents to  $\theta$  and can be simplified by  $f(r, z)$ . In the following, we

discuss only the super semi-sphere  $z \geq 0$ .

We study the **static stable equilibrium system**.

## 2.2 Newton's law of universal gravitation, and acceleration

The Newton's law of universal gravitation of vector form is:

$$\mathbf{F}_{fg} = -G \frac{m_f m_g}{|h_{gf}|^2} \mathbf{h}_{gf} = -G \frac{m_f m_g}{|h_{gf}|^2} (\mathbf{h}_g - \mathbf{h}_f), \quad (2.2-1)$$

Where  $\mathbf{F}_{fg}$  is the force applied on point mass  $f$  exerted by point mass  $g$ , its

direction is that from  $f$  towards to  $g$ ; gravitational constant  $G = 6.674 \times$

$10^{-11}$ , N.  $(\frac{m}{kg})^2$ ;  $m_f$  and  $m_g$  are masses of center at points  $f$  and  $g$

respectively;

$$|h_{fg}| = |h_g - h_f| = \left| \sqrt{(x_g - x_f)^2 + (y_g - y_f)^2 + (z_g - z_f)^2} \right|, \quad (2.2-2)$$

$|h_{fg}|$  is the distance between points  $f$  and  $g$ ;  $\mathbf{h}_f$  and  $\mathbf{h}_g$  are vectors from

$O(0, 0, 0)$  to point  $f$  and  $g$ , respectively;

$\mathbf{h}_{gf} := \frac{\mathbf{h}_f - \mathbf{h}_g}{|h_f - h_g|}$  is the **unit vector** from point  $g$  to  $f$ .

Or,  $\mathbf{F}_{fg}$  is expressed in cylindrical components form:

$$\mathbf{F}_{fg} = F_{rfg} \mathbf{e}_r + F_{zfg} \mathbf{k}, \quad (2.2-3)$$

$$F_{rfg} = G \frac{m_f m_g}{H} (r_f - r_g), \quad (2.2-4)$$

$$105 \quad F_{zfg} = G \frac{m_f m_g}{H} (z_f - z_g), \quad (2.2-5)$$

$$106 \quad H = \left| (r_f - r_g)^2 + (z_f - z_g)^2 \right|^{3/2}, \quad (2.2-6)$$

107 **Remark 2.1** The Newton's law of universal gravitation used for masses  
 108 group f and g, needs no overlap or intersection of these two groups,  
 109 i.e.,  $m_f \cap m_g = \emptyset$  (null set).

### 110 **2.3 Buoyancy.**

111 **Archimedes's principle of buoyancy** states that any object, wholly or  
 112 partly, immersed in a fluid, is buoyed by a force equal to the weight of  
 113 the fluid displaced by the object.

114 **(1)** The components of buoyancy  $\mathbf{F}_{\text{buofz}}$  in z-axis can be defined by  
 115 Newton's second law, i.e., by (2.2-5),

$$116 \quad F_{\text{buofz}} := -m_{\text{medf}} a_z = -\rho_{\text{medf}} a_z dv = -G \frac{m_{\text{medf}} m_g}{H} (z_f - z_g), \quad (2.3-1)$$

117 Where  $a_z$  is the component of acceleration in z-axis;  $\rho_{\text{medf}}$  is the density  
 118 of mass (mass per unit volume) of the media at  $f(r, z)$ ;  $dv = r d\theta dr dz$  ;  
 119  $m_{\text{medf}} = \rho_{\text{medf}} dv$ ;  $m_f = \rho_f dv$ . The substance of  $m_{\text{medf}}$  must be liquid,

120 while the substance of  $m_f$  could be gas, liquid or solid. The minus sign  
 121 means the direction of buoyancy is opposed to the attraction force.

122 **(2)**  $\mathbf{F}_{\text{buofz}}$  can also be defined by Archimedes' principle, i.e.,

$$123 \quad F_{\text{buofz}} := F_{\text{buofz}}(z) = -K_z (z - z_0), \quad (2.3-2)$$

124 Eq. (2.3-2) means that buoyancy  $\mathbf{F}_{\text{buofz}}$  is proportioned to the immersed  
 125 depth  $(z - z_0)$  of the object at  $f(r, z)$ ,  $z_0$  is the depth where

126  $F_{\text{buofz}}(z_0) = 0$ .  $K_z > 0$  is a constant. The minus sign shows the direction

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127 of buoyancy is opposed to the direction of attracted force. Obviously,  
128  $z_0 = 0$ , since by hypotheses of symmetry, there is no attraction force at  
129  $O(0,0,0)$ , thus, there is also no buoyancy.

130 **(3)** The above two definitions of buoyancy should be equivalent, then, we

131 have:

$$132 \quad K_z = G \frac{m_{medf} m_g}{H}, \quad (2.3-3)$$

$$133 \quad z_f - z_g = (z - z_0) = z, \quad (2.3-4)$$

134 According to **Archimedes's Principle of Sink or Buoy (APSB)**, there  
135 are three zones inside the Earth:

136 The sink zone,  $SIN := \{\mathcal{N}_s | \rho_f > \rho_{medf}\}$ , **heavier substance sinks down**  
137 **in vertical direction due to attraction force, and moves towards to**  
138 **edges in horizontal direction due to centrifugal force.**

139 The neural zone,  $NEU := \{\mathcal{N}_n | \rho_f = \rho_{medf}\}$ ,

140 The buoyancy zone,  $BUO := \{\mathcal{N}_b | \rho_f < \rho_{medf}\}$ , **lighter substance buoyed**  
141 **up in vertical direction due to buoyancy, and moves to the z-axis due**  
142 **to lateral buoyancy.**

143 **2.4 Extension the Archimedes' principle of buoyancy to lateral**  
144 **buoyancy.**

145 The buoyancy is firstly extended to lateral buoyancy, by **logical**  
146 **deduction**, which assumes that a rule suits for the z-axis, it is also suited  
147 for x-axis and y-axis [7]. Similar to (2.3-1) and (2.3-2), we have:

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148  $F_{\text{buofr}} = -m_{\text{medf}}a_r = -K_r(r - r_0),$  (2.4-1)

149 Where  $r_0 = 0$ , and  $F_{\text{buofr}}(r_0) = 0$ . Similar to (2.3-3) and (2.3-4), we  
150 have:

151  $K_r = G \frac{m_{\text{medf}}m_g}{H},$  (2.4-2)

152  $r_f - r_g = r,$  (2.4-3)

### 153 **2.5 Angular velocity of a point of mantle due to Earth rotation.**

154 **Proposition:** the angular velocity of a point of mantle equals that of crust.

155 **Proof:** Suppose that the angular velocity  $\omega_N$  of a point  $N(r, 0, z)$  of

156 mantle is different to that  $\omega_C$  of a point  $C(r+dr, 0, z)$  of crust, say,

157  $\omega_C > \omega_N$ , then, a friction force  $F_{\text{friction}}$  exists between  $C(r+dr, 0, z)$  and

158  $N(r, 0, z)$ , such that  $F_{\text{friction}}$  blocks  $\omega_C$  meanwhile drags  $\omega_N$ , until

159  $\omega_C = \omega_N$ . Similarly, the rotating angular velocity of a point of mantle is

160 equal to that of its neighborhood.  $\square$

### 161 **2.6 Potential energy inside the Earth**

162 Potential energy is known as the capacity of doing work due to an

163 object's position static changing (with zero acceleration, because the

164 work done by acceleration is calculated in kinetic energy). If a work  $w$ ,

165 done by a force  $\mathbf{F}$ , moved from point  $f(r, z)$  to point  $g(r_g, z_g)$ , then, it is

166 calculated by

167  $w = \int_f^g \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \Delta E_p = E_p(g) - E_p(f),$  (2.6-1)

168 Where  $\Delta E_p$  denotes the change of potential energy;  $d\mathbf{s}$  is the change of



169 position vector  $\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{s}[r(t), z(t)] = s_r(t)\mathbf{e}_r + s_z(t)\mathbf{k}$ , in cylindrical form is:

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$$d\mathbf{s} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{s}}{\partial t} dt = \left[ \frac{\partial s}{\partial r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial s}{\partial z} \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} \right] dt = [s'_r \dot{r} + s'_z \dot{z}] dt, \quad (2.6-2)$$

171 where  $s'_r = \frac{\partial s}{\partial r}$ ,  $\dot{r} = \frac{\partial r}{\partial t}$ ,  $s'_z = \frac{\partial s}{\partial z}$ ,  $\dot{z} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial t}$ , (2.6-3)

172 Force  $\mathbf{F}$  in cylindrical form is :

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$$\mathbf{F} = F_r \mathbf{e}_r + F_z \mathbf{k}, \quad (2.6-4)$$

174 Eq. (2.6-1) is a form of vector integration, and is now expanded to

175 cylindrical scalar form:

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$$w = \int_f^g (C_r F_r s'_r + C_z F_z s'_z) dt, \quad (2.6-5)$$

177 where  $C_r = \frac{\partial r}{\partial t} = \text{const}$ ;  $C_z = \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} = \text{const}$ ;  $s'_r = \frac{\partial s_r}{\partial r}$ ;  $s'_z = \frac{\partial s_z}{\partial z}$ ;  $F_r$  and  $F_z$

178 are components of  $\mathbf{F}$ .

### 179 **2.6.1 The incompressible fluid**

180 The incompressible fluid equation is expressed by:

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$$\frac{\partial s'_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial s'_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial s'_z}{\partial z} = 0, \quad (2.6-6)$$

182 Where the sum of components of line strain (represents the changing rate

183 of volume) is zero, i.e., the volume of liquid is incompressible. For non-

184 isotropic liquid, incompressibility is independence in any direction, then

185 (2.6-6) becomes:

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$$\frac{\partial s'_x}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial s'_y}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial s'_z}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial s'_r}{\partial r} = 0. \quad (2.6-7)$$

### 187 **2.6.2 The non-isotropic material**

188 The non-isotropic mantle means its constants  $C_r, C_z$ ; and  $K_r, K_z$  are

189 independent with each other, as well as  $r, z$ . That is :

$$190 \quad \frac{\partial C_r}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial C_z}{\partial r} = 0, \quad (2.6-8)$$

$$191 \quad \frac{\partial K_r}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial K_z}{\partial r} = 0, \quad (2.6-9)$$

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193 **2.6.3 Work done by gravity, buoyancy, lateral buoyancy and**  
 194 **centrifugal force, for  $m_f$  and  $m_{medf}$  moving from  $f(r, z)$  to  $O(0, 0, 0)$**

195 The general component form of work done by multi-forces moving from  
 196  $f(r, z)$  to  $O(0,0,0)$  is:

$$197 \quad w = \int_{f(t_1)}^{O(t_2)} \{ \sum C_r F_r s'_r \mp \sum C_z F_z s'_z \} dt = E_p, \quad (2.6-10)$$

198 where the  $x$  under the  $\sum x$  sign are each terms of the force components.

199 For the work done by multi-forces, there are two possibilities that the  
 200 total work is strengthen or weaken shown by sign  $\mp$ . By hypotheses 2,

201  $O(0,0,0)$  is the center of many masses, e.g.,  $M_s$ ,  $M_b$ , and  $M_E$ , the mass of  
 202 SIN zone, the mass of BUO zone and mass of the Earth, respectively,  
 203 therefore we use  $O(0,0,0)$  to replace  $g(r_g, z_g)$ .

204 Substituting (2.2-3) , (2.2-4) and (2.2-5) into (2.6-5), for the sink zone,

205 we have

$$206 \quad w = (m_f - m_{medf}) \int_f^O \{ G \frac{M_b}{H} [C_r r s'_r + C_z z s'_z] \mp \omega_c^2 [C_r r s'_r] \} dt = -E_p(f),$$

207 (2.6-11)

$$208 \quad E_p(O) = 0, \quad (2.6-12)$$

209 **2.7 Principle of Minimum Potential Energy (PMPE)**

210 The PMPE states that the necessary and sufficient conditions of a system  
 211 in stable equilibrium is its potential energy at minimum.

212 The actually distributed mantle density must be that which makes the  
 213 potential energy to be minimum. The sufficient condition is trivial, we

214 focus on necessary condition.

215 **In the SIN zone**, by (2.6-11), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{m_f, m_{medf}, r, z} & -E_p(m_f, m_{medf}, r, z) \\ & = (m_f - m_{medf}) \int_f^0 \left\{ -G \frac{M_b}{H} [C_r r s'_r + C_z z s'_z] \mp \right. \end{aligned}$$

$$\left. \omega_c^2 [C_r r s'_r] \right\} dt, \quad (2.7-1)$$

$$217 \quad \text{Subject to } \int_0^{V_s} (\rho_f + \rho_{medf}) dv_s = M_s = \rho_{ms} V_s, \quad (2.7-2)$$

$$218 \quad \rho_{ms} = \frac{M_s}{V_s}, \quad (2.7-3)$$

219 Where  $dv_s = r d\theta dr dz$ ;  $\rho_{ms}$ ,  $M_s = M_s(V_s)$  and  $V_s$  are the mean density,  
220 mass and volume of SIN zone respectively. Here,  $E_p(m_f, m_{medf}, r, z)$  is  
221 defined as the function of four independent variables.  $M_s$  is a function of  
222  $V_s$ .

223 **Remark 2.2** Since  $f(r, z)$ , the location of  $m_f$  and  $m_{medf}$  in SIN zone,  
224 overlays with the location of mass group  $M_s$ , while  $M_b$  has no overlay  
225 with  $f(r, z)$ , therefore  $M_b$  is used instead of  $M_s$  shown in (2.6-11).

226  $M_b = M_b(V_b)$  is a function of  $V_b$ .

227 Eq. (2.7-1) and (2.7-2) forms a constraint optimization problem. Using  
228 Lagrange multipliers method to transform it to un-constraint optimization  
229 problem [8]. Construct a new function  $Y$ ,

$$230 \quad Y = E_p(m_f, m_{medf}, r, z) + K[\int_0^{V_s} (\rho_f + \rho_{medf}) dv_s - M_s], \quad (2.7-4)$$

231 The necessary condition of  $Y$  to be minimum are:

$$232 \quad \frac{\partial Y}{\partial m_f} = 0, \quad (2.7-5)$$

$$233 \quad \frac{\partial Y}{\partial m_{medf}} = 0, \quad (2.7-6)$$

$$234 \quad \frac{\partial Y}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial E_p}{\partial z} = 0, \quad (2.7-7)$$

$$235 \quad \frac{\partial Y}{\partial r} = \frac{\partial E_p}{\partial r} = 0, \quad (2.7-8)$$

236 Adding (2.7-5) and (2.7-6), we get  $k = 0$ .

237 Subtracting (2.7-6) and (2.7-5), we have

$$238 \quad \int_f^0 \left\{ -G \frac{M_b}{H} [C_r r s'_r + C_z z s'_z] \mp \omega_c^2 (C_r r s'_r) \right\} dt = 0, \quad (2.7-9)$$

239 Since  $f(r, \theta, z)$  can be arbitrary chosen, by Newton-Leibniz formula, the  
240 integrand of (2.7-9) must be zero, we have:

$$241 \quad M_b = \mp \frac{\omega_c^2}{G} H \frac{(C_r r s'_r)}{(C_r r s'_r + C_z z s'_z)} = \mp \frac{\omega_c^2}{G} H \left( 1 + \frac{C_z z s'_z}{C_r r s'_r} \right)^{-1} = \mp \frac{\omega_c^2}{G} H, \quad (2.7-10)$$

$$242 \quad H = [r^2 + z^2]^{3/2}, \quad (2.7-11)$$

243 Eq. (2.7-7) gives:

$$244 \quad r^2 + z^2 = 3z \frac{C_r r s'_r + C_z z s'_z}{C_z (s'_z + z \frac{\partial s'_z}{\partial z})} = 3z \left( z + \frac{C_r r s'_r}{C_z s'_z} \right), \quad (2.7-12)$$

245 Where  $\frac{\partial s'_r}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial^2 s_r}{\partial z \partial r} =$  shearing strain  $= 0$ , because liquid can not

246 resistance skew strain (shearing strain). And  $\frac{s'_r}{s'_z} = \frac{\partial s}{\partial r} \frac{\partial z}{\partial s} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial r} = 0$ .

247 Therefore (2.7-12) becomes:

$$248 \quad r^2 - 2z^2 = 0, \quad (2.7-13)$$

249 The solutions of (2.7-13) are:  $r_{1,2} = \mp \sqrt{2} z_1$ .

$$250 \quad r_1 = r_2 = \sqrt{2} z_1, \quad (2.7-14)$$

$$251 \quad \tan \alpha_1 = \frac{z_1}{r_1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad \alpha_1 = 35^\circ 15', \quad (2.7-15)$$

252 Substituting (2.7-14) into (2.7-10), we have

$$253 \quad M_b(V_b) = \frac{\omega_c^2}{G} [3z_1^2]^{3/2} = 3\sqrt{3} \frac{\omega_c^2}{G} (z_1)^3 = \rho_{mb} V_b, \quad (2.7-16)$$

254 Where  $\rho_{mb} = 3\sqrt{3} \frac{\omega_c^2}{G}$  is the mean value of density of BUO zone.

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256 Eq. (2.7-8) gives:

$$257 \quad M_b = \mp \frac{\omega_c^2}{G} H \frac{C_r \left( s_r + r \frac{\partial s_r}{\partial r} \right)}{C_r \left( s_r + r \frac{\partial s_r}{\partial r} \right) - 3r(r^2 + z^2)^{-1} (C_r r s_r' + C_z z s_z')}, \quad (2.7-17)$$

258 Where  $\frac{\partial s_z}{\partial r} = \frac{\partial^2 s_z}{\partial r \partial z} = 0$ , and  $\frac{s_z'}{s_r'} = 0$ , then (2.7-17) becomes:

$$259 \quad M_b = \mp \frac{\omega_c^2}{G} H \frac{1}{1 - 3r^2(r^2 + z^2)^{-1}}, \quad (2.7-18)$$

260 Comparing (2.7-10) and (2.7-18), we check two possibilities, at first, we

261 use " + " sign, we have

$$262 \quad 1 - 3r^2(r^2 + z^2)^{-1} = 1,$$

$$263 \quad \text{Or } r = 0, \text{ and } z = 0, \quad (2.7-19)$$

264 Second, we use " - " sign, we have

$$265 \quad 1 - 3r^2(r^2 + z^2)^{-1} = -1,$$

$$266 \quad \text{Or } r^2 = 2z^2, \quad (2.7-20)$$

267 Eq. (2.7-20) is the same as (2.7-13), thus its solution is the same as (2.7-

268 15), i.e.,

$$269 \quad r_1 = \sqrt{2}z_1, \quad (2.7-21)$$

270 Now, all the necessary conditions (2.7-5) ---(2.7-8) are satisfied by (2.7-

271 10), (2.7-15), and (2.7-19) or (2.7-21).

272 Eq. (2.7-19) means only one point  $(r, z) = (0, 0)$  satisfies all necessary

273 conditions, while (2.7-21) means points in a line with  $\alpha_1 = 35^\circ 15'$  satisfy

274 all necessary conditions. Now, we summarize the SIN zone, which is

275 located inside the line with inclined angle  $\alpha_1 = 35^\circ 15'$  and inside the

276 crust including equator, i, e.,

277  $[r \geq (\tan \alpha_1)z] \cap \left[ \frac{r^2}{R_e^2} + \frac{z^2}{R_p^2} \leq 1 \right].$  □

278 **In NEU zone**,  $m_f = m_{medf}$ . The boundary of NEU zone is determined by  
 279 equilibrium equations at any point  $(r_n, z_n)$  on the boundary of NEU.

280  $\sum F_z = F_{attz} + F_{buofz} = 0,$  (2.7-22)

281  $\sum F_r = F_{attr} + F_{buofr} = 0,$  (2.7-23)

282 However, since  $m_f = m_{medf}$ , we can not calculation terms in (2.7-22)  
 283 and (2.7-23) by (2.6-11). The boundary of NEU can be determined by  
 284 (2.7-15). The reason will be given in discussion section.

285 **In BUO zone**,  $\rho_{medf} > \rho_f$ , by (2.6-11), we have

286  $\min_{m_f, m_{medf}, r, z} -E_p(m_f, m_{medf}, r, z) = (m_{medf} - m_f) \int_f^0 \left\{ -G \frac{M_s}{H} [C_r r s'_r + \right.$   
 287  $C_{zzs} z \bar{r}$   
 288  $\left. \omega_c^2 [C_r r s'_r] \right\} dt,$  (2.7-24)

289 Subject to  $\int_0^{V_b} (\rho_f + \rho_{medf}) dv_b = M_b = \rho_{mb} V_b,$  (2.7-25)

290 Eq. (2.7-24) and (2.7-25) forms a constraint optimization problem. Note  
 291 that (2.7-24) and (2.7-25) are the same as (2.7-1) and (2.7-2), if  $V_s, M_s$   
 292 are replaced by  $V_b, M_b$ , respectively. Therefore, the solution of (2.7-24)  
 293 and (2.7-25) is the same as (2.7-15) with  $V_b, M_b$  instead of  $V_s, M_s$ .

294 The BUO zone is located in the remainder part off the SIN zone, i.e.,

295  $[r \leq (\tan \alpha_1)z] \cap \left[ \left( \frac{r}{R_e} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{z}{R_p} \right)^2 \leq 1 \right],$  and inside the crust including

296 poles.

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## 298 2.8 Equation of static mantle density distribution

299 In SIN zone,  $\int_0^{V_s} (\rho_{sf} + \rho_{smedf}) dv_s = M_s,$  (2.8-1)

300 In BUO zone:  $\int_0^{V_b} (\rho_{bf} + \rho_{bmedf}) dv_b = M_b,$  (2.8-2)

301  $M_s + M_b = M_E,$  (2.8-3)

302  $\int_0^{V_s} (\rho_{sf} + \rho_{smedf}) dv_s + \int_0^{V_b} (\rho_{bf} + \rho_{bmedf}) dv_b = M_E,$  (2.8-4)

303 Eq. (2.8-4) is a set integral equations of static mantle density distribution.

### 304 **3. Discussion**

#### 305 **3.1 Why the boundary of the NEU zone can be expressed by (2.7-15)?**

306 The boundary of NEU zone is determined by equilibrium equations at

307 any point  $(r_n, z_n)$  on the boundary of NEU. However, we can not

308 establish the equilibrium equations (2.7-22) and (2.7-23) by (2.6-11),

309 since  $m_f = m_{medf}$  in NEU zone.

310 Now, we prove the following equivalences:

311  $\frac{\partial E_p}{\partial z} = 0 \leftrightarrow \sum F_z = 0,$  (3-1)

312  $\frac{\partial E_p}{\partial r} = 0 \leftrightarrow \sum F_r = 0,$  (3-2)

313 **Proof:** By (2.6-10), we have

314  $\frac{\partial E_p}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial \int_f^0 \sum F_z C_z s'_z dt}{\partial z} = \sum F_z \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \int_f^0 C_z s'_z dt = \sum F_z \frac{\partial}{\partial z} C_z \int_f^0 dt = \sum F_z = 0,$   
 315 (3-3)

316 Where  $s_z = z$ ,  $s'_z = \frac{\partial s_z}{\partial z} = 1$ ,  $C_z = \frac{dz}{dt} = \text{const.}$

317 Eq.(3-3) shows that (3-1) holds. Similarly, (3-2) also holds.

318 Therefore, (2.7-7) and (2.7-8) can represent (2.7-22) and (2.7-23)

319 respectively. The solution (2.7-15) satisfies both (2.7-7) and (2.7-8),

320 therefore it can represent the boundary equation of NEU zone.  $\square$

#### 321 **3.2 Why we say the core is not a sphere?**

322 The sink zone is located inside a line with inclined angle  $\alpha_1 = 35^\circ 15'$   
 323 revolving around the z-axis and including equator, the core (inside SIN  
 324 zone) is obviously not a sphere, due to rotation of Earth.  $\square$

325 **3.3 Can we check “heavier substance sinks down in vertical direction**  
 326 **due to attraction force, and moves towards to edges in horizontal**  
 327 **direction due to centrifugal force” on/above crust?.**

328 One can check this phenomenon by **a cup of stirring coffee**. One can see  
 329 that heavier substance sinks down in vertical direction due to attraction  
 330 force, and moves towards to edges in horizontal direction due to  
 331 centrifugal force; while lighter substance (cream) buoyed up and moves  
 332 towards to central.  $\square$

333 **4. Test of result on/above crust by formula with G and  $\omega_c^2$ .**

334 Using spherical Earth model, the resultant force of gravitation and  
 335 centrifugal force of a point-mass  $m$  in position  $P(r, \theta, z)$  above/on crust is:

$$336 \quad \mathbf{F} = -G \frac{mM_E}{R^2} \frac{\mathbf{r}_P}{|\mathbf{r}_P|} + m\omega_c^2 r \mathbf{e}_r = m\mathbf{g}, \quad (4-1)$$

337 Where the mean radius of Earth  $R = 6.371,032$  km;  $\mathbf{r}_P$  is a vector from  
 338  $O(0, \theta, 0)$  to  $P(r, \theta, z)$ ;  $\mathbf{e}_r$  is an unit vector of cylindrical coordinates.

$$339 \quad r = R \sin \alpha, \quad (4-2)$$

340  $\alpha$  is the latitude. Substituting (4-2) into (4-1), we have

$$341 \quad \mathbf{g} = -G \frac{M_E}{R^2} \frac{\mathbf{r}_P}{|\mathbf{r}_P|} + \omega_c^2 R \sin \alpha \mathbf{e}_r, \quad (4-3)$$

342 Where the mass of Earth  $M_E = 5.976 \times 10^{21}$  kg,  $G = 6.674 \times$



343  $10^{-11}, N. \left(\frac{m}{kg}\right)^2.$

344 Example:  $\alpha = 0, g_{pole} = -G \frac{M}{R^2} = -6.674 \times 10^{11} \times \frac{5.976 \times 10^{21}}{(6.371)^2 \times 10^{12}} =$

345  $-9.826(m. s^{-2}),$  (4-4)

346 Comparing with  $g_{pole} = -9.8325 (m. s^{-2}),$  error  $\varepsilon = 0.0006610.$

347 Example:  $\alpha = \pi/2,$

348  $g_{equator} = -G \frac{M}{R^2} + \omega_c^2 R = -9.48907(m. s^{-2}),$  (4-5)

349 Comparing with  $g_{equator} = -9.78049 (m. s^{-2}),$  error  $\varepsilon = 0.029796.$

## 350 **5. Conclusion**

351 (1). Heavier substance sinks down, while lighter substance buoyed up,  
352 caused by gravity and buoyancy; Heavier substance moves towards to  
353 edge, while lighter substance moves towards to central, caused by  
354 centrifugal force and lateral buoyancy due to Earth's rotation. The mantle  
355 mass density is so distributed, based on the principle of minimum  
356 potential energy, that makes the Earth to be in a stable equilibrium. The  
357 potential energy is calculated by Newton's gravity, Archimedes  
358 buoyancy, centrifugal force and lateral buoyancy. The mantle is divorced  
359 into sink zone, neural zone and buoyed zone. The sink zone is located in  
360 a region with boundaries of a straight line,  $r = (\tan \alpha_1)z, \alpha_1 =$   
361  $35^\circ 14',$  apex at  $O(0,0,0),$  revolving around the z-axis, inside the crust  
362 involving the equator. The buoyed zone is located in the remainder part,

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363 inside the crust involving poles. The neural zone is the boundary between  
364 the buoyed and sink zones.

365 The shape of core (inside sink zone) is not a sphere.

366 (2). An integral equation of mantle density distribution is derived by

367 APSB, gravitation, buoyancy, lateral buoyancy, centrifugal force and

368 PMPE. It is a set of double-integral equations of Volterra / Fredholm

369 type.

370 (3). Potential energy inside the Earth is calculated by Newton's gravity,

371 buoyancy, centrifugal force and lateral buoyancy.

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