

## Solutions to problems on chapter 14

1) Use  $c = u_0 - \frac{\beta}{\lambda^2 + \mu^2}$ , with  $u_0 = 12ms^{-1}$ ,

$$\beta = \frac{2\Omega \cos 60}{a} = \frac{2 \times 7.292 \times 10^{-5} s^{-1} \times 0.5}{6.3712 \times 10^6 m} \text{ and } \lambda^2 + \mu^2 = \left( \frac{2\pi}{10^7 m} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{2\pi}{2.5 \times 10^6 m} \right)^2.$$

This gives  $c = 10.29ms^{-1}$ .

This value is, of course, fairly close to the basic wind. This is because the y-wavelengths in this case is rather small, and this dominates the term involving the wavenumbers

$$2) L_x = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{u_0}{\beta}} \text{ with } \beta = \frac{2\Omega \cos 35}{a} = \frac{2 \times 7.292 \times 10^{-5} s^{-1} \cos 35}{6.3712 \times 10^6 m} = 1.875 \times 10^{-11} m^{-1} s^{-1}$$

Note that the length of the latitude circle is  $2\pi a \cos 35 = 3.279 \times 10^7 m$ .

$u/(ms^{-1})$	10	15	20
$L_x/km$	4590	5620	6490
No. round lat circle	7.1	5.8	5.05

3) The choice seems to be between making the number round a latitude circle 5 or 6. To make it 6 would mean decreasing the x-wavelength. The waves would then be smaller and would drift to the east (since small waves travel more slowly against the basic flow than do long waves). Adding in a variation in the y direction would reduce the total wavelength and just exacerbate this problem. Hence we need to aim at having 5 waves round a latitude circle, so that the x-wavelength would be 6558 km.

$$\text{We will need } \lambda^2 + \mu^2 = \frac{\beta}{u_0} = 2.186 \times 10^{-12} m^{-2}.$$

$$\text{So } \mu^2 = 2.186 \times 10^{-12} m^{-2} - \frac{4\pi^2}{6.558^2 10^{12} m^2}, \text{ which gives } L_y = 5580 km$$