Notes on the function gsw_sigma2_CT_exact(SA,CT)

Potential density anomaly σ^{Θ} is defined by Eqn. (3.6.1) of IOC *et al*. (2010), namely

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma^{\Theta}\left(S_{\mathrm{A}},t,p,p_{\mathrm{r}}\right) &= \rho^{\Theta}\left(S_{\mathrm{A}},t,p,p_{\mathrm{r}}\right)-1000\ \mathrm{kg\ m^{-3}} \\ &= \hat{\rho}\left(S_{\mathrm{A}},\Theta,p_{\mathrm{r}}\right)-1000\ \mathrm{kg\ m^{-3}}.\end{aligned} \qquad (1)$$

The present function, **gsw_sigma2_CT_exact**(SA,CT), calculates potential density with a reference pressure of $2000\ \mathrm{dbar}$, and uses the full TEOS-10 Gibbs function $g\left(S_{\mathrm{A}},t,p\right)$ of IOC *et al*. (2010), being the sum of the IAPWS-09 and IAPWS-08 Gibbs functions.

This function is simply two calls to other GSW functions, as follows,

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pr2000 = 2000*ones(size(SA));
t = gsw_t_from_CT(SA,CT,pr2000);
sigma2_CT_exact = gsw_rho_t_exact(SA,t,pr2000) - 1000;
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Here follows section 3.6 of the TEOS-10 manual (IOC *et al*. (2010)).

3.6 Potential density anomaly

Potential density anomaly, σ^{θ} or σ^{Θ}, is simply potential density minus 1000 kg m^{-3},

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma^{\theta}\left(S_{\mathrm{A}},t,p,p_{\mathrm{r}}\right) = \sigma^{\Theta}\left(S_{\mathrm{A}},t,p,p_{\mathrm{r}}\right) &= \rho^{\theta}\left(S_{\mathrm{A}},t,p,p_{\mathrm{r}}\right)-1000\ \mathrm{kg\ m^{-3}} \\ &= \rho^{\Theta}\left(S_{\mathrm{A}},t,p,p_{\mathrm{r}}\right)-1000\ \mathrm{kg\ m^{-3}} \\ &= g_{P}^{-1}\left(S_{\mathrm{A}},\theta\left[S_{\mathrm{A}},t,p,p_{\mathrm{r}}\right],p_{\mathrm{r}}\right)-1000\ \mathrm{kg\ m^{-3}}.\end{aligned} \qquad (3.6.1)$$

Note that it is equally correct to label potential density anomaly as σ^{θ} or σ^{Θ} because both θ and Θ are constant during the isentropic and isohaline pressure change from p to p_{r}.