



CHAPTER 11

Fluid Mechanics

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1. GASES, LIQUIDS AND DENSITY

- **A fluid** is any substance that can flow; we use the term for both liquids and gases
- **Density:** the density of a fluid is defined as its mass per unit volume.

$$\rho = \frac{m}{V} \quad (\text{The SI unit for density is } \mathbf{kg/m^3})$$

Example 11 - 1

1. If 72 Kg of a fluid measures 60 m^3 . What is its density?

$$\rho = \frac{m}{V} = \frac{72}{60} = 1.2 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

2. An oil has a density of 852 Kg/m^3 and a volume of 5 m^3 . What is its mass?

$$m = \rho V = 852 \times 5 = 4260 \text{ kg}$$

3. The density of human blood is $1025 \text{ Kg}/\text{m}^3$. What is the volume of 0.02 Kg of blood?

$$\rho = \frac{m}{V} \implies V = \frac{m}{\rho} = \frac{0.02}{1025} = 1.9 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^3$$

2. PRESSURE IN A FLUID

. The pressure (P) at that point as the normal force per unit area

$$p = \frac{F}{A}$$

. The SI unit of pressure is the Pascal, where

$$1 \text{ Pascal} = 1 \text{ Pa} = 1 \text{ N}/\text{m}^2$$

. Atmospheric pressure (atm) is the pressure of the earth's atmosphere

$$1 \text{ atmosphere (atm)} = 1.013 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$$

Example 11 - 2

1. A hose causes a force of 8000 N from the water over an area of 0.25 m^2 . Calculate the pressure

$$p = \frac{F}{A} = \frac{8000}{0.25} = 32000\text{ Pa} = 32\text{ kPa}$$

2. On a liquid enclosed in a container, a force of 30 N is applied by a piston that has an area of 10 m^2 . What is the value of the pressure exerted?

$$p = \frac{F}{A} = \frac{30}{10} = 3\text{ Pa}$$

• Pressure and Depth

➤ The pressure at a depth in a fluid of constant density is equal to the pressure of the atmosphere plus the pressure due to the weight of the fluid

$$p = p_o + \rho gh$$

where p is the pressure at a particular depth (called the absolute pressure), p_o is the atmospheric pressure, ρ is the density of the fluid, g is the acceleration due to gravity, and h is the depth.

- The excess pressure above atmospheric pressure (ρgh) is usually called gauge pressure:

$$p_g = p - p_o = \rho gh$$

Example 11 – 3

1. What is gauge pressure in a fluid with density $\rho = 800 \text{ kg/m}^3$ at a depth $h = 2.5 \text{ m}$. Given the acceleration due to gravity $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$

$$p_g = \rho gh = 800 \times 9.8 \times 2.5 = 19600 \text{ Pa} = 19.6 \text{ kPa}$$

2. The pressure at the surface ocean is atmospheric pressure $p_o = 1.01 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$. What is the absolute pressure at a depth $h = 15 \text{ m}$. Given the density of water $\rho = 1000 \text{ kg/m}^3$ and $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$

$$p = p_o + \rho gh$$

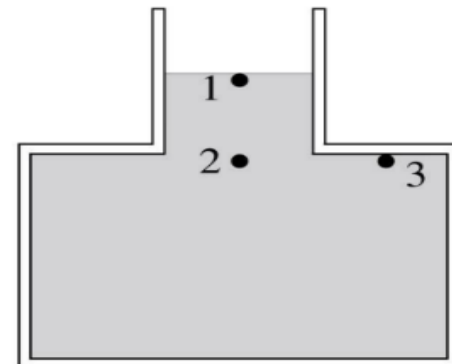
$$p = (1.01 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}) + (1000 \text{ kg/m}^3)(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)(15 \text{ m}) = 2.48 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$$

3. When the atmospheric pressure $p_o = 1.01 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$, the absolute pressure in water at a depth of is read to be $1.85 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$. Find the gauge pressure at this depth

$$p_g = p - p_o = (1.85 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}) - (1.01 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}) = 84 \text{ kPa}$$

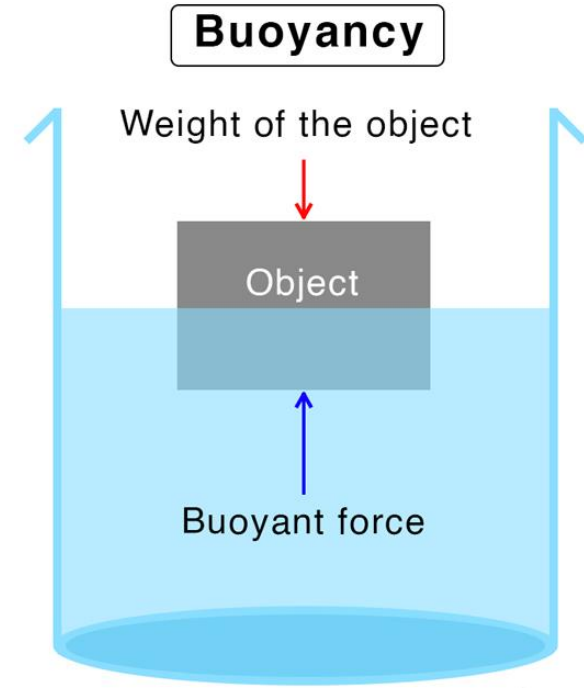
4. For the tank filled with water shown in figure compare the pressure at the points 1, 2 and 3

$$p_2 = p_3 > p_1$$



3. BUOYANCY

➤ When an object is immersed in a fluid, wholly or partially, the fluid exerts an upward force opposite its weight. This phenomenon is known as buoyancy, and the upward thrust is known as the buoyant force



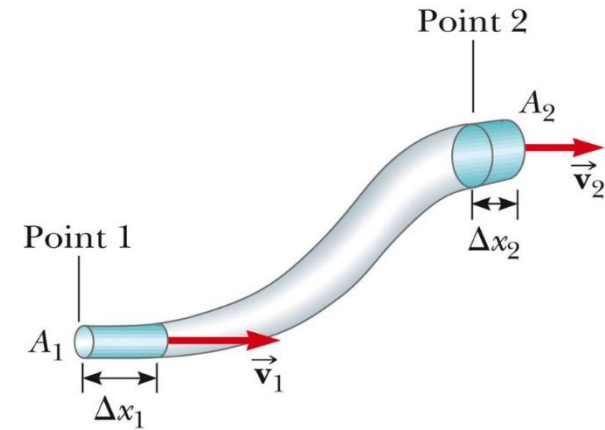
➤ The buoyant force on an object fully submerged in a liquid depends on the object's volume and the density of the liquid

4. FLUID FLOW

➤ **The Continuity Equation:** the mass of a moving fluid doesn't change as it flows. This leads to an important quantitative relationship called **the continuity equation**

$$A_1 v_1 = A_2 v_2 \quad (\text{continuity equation, incompressible fluid})$$

A_1 and A_2 are the cross-sectional area at points 1 and 2



Example 11 – 4

Water with a speed $v_1 = 1.5 \text{ m/s}$ enters through a first pipe of cross-sectional area $A_1 = 3.14 \text{ cm}^2$. The water then flows through a second, connected pipe of cross-sectional area $A_2 = 0.78 \text{ cm}^2$. Find the flow speed in the Second pipe

$$v_2 = \frac{A_1}{A_2} v_1 = \frac{3.14 \text{ cm}^2}{0.78 \text{ cm}^2} (1.5 \text{ m/s}) = 6.0 \text{ m/s}$$

➤ **The flow rate** : Flow rate Q is defined as the quantity of fluid that is passing through a cross-section of a pipe in a specific period of time. Flow rate and velocity are related by:

$$Q = Av \quad (\text{The SI unit of the flow rate is } m^3/s)$$

where A is the cross-sectional area of the flow and v is its average velocity

Example 11 – 5

1- The flow rate of water through a pipe is $10 m^3/s$ and the velocity of the flow is $5 m/s$. Find the cross-sectional area of the pipe

$$Q = Av \implies A = \frac{Q}{v} = \frac{10}{5} = 2 m^2$$

2- A pipe with a cross-sectional area of $3 m^2$ contains water that flows at an average velocity of $2 m/s$. Calculate the flow rate of water in the pipe.

$$Q = Av = 3 \times 2 = 6 m^3/s$$

5. BERNOULLI'S EQUATION

- **Bernoulli's equation:** Bernoulli's equation states that for a moving fluid, the pressure plus the total mechanical energy is constant everywhere in the fluid.

$$\underbrace{p}_{\text{pressure head}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}\rho v^2}_{\text{Kinetic head}} + \underbrace{\rho gh}_{\text{potential head}} = \text{constant}$$

p is the pressure, ρ the fluid density, v the fluid velocity, and h the elevation

- **Limitation on the use of the Bernoulli equation:**

Bernoulli's equation can be used for the following conditions:

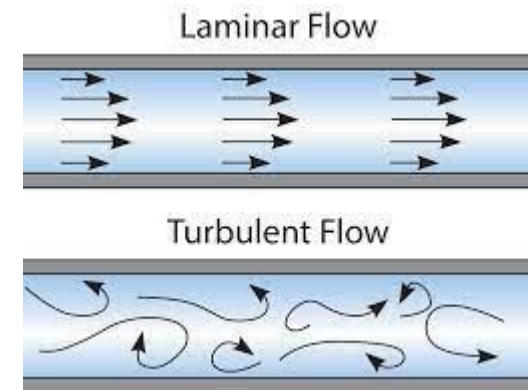
- 1- The fluid is incompressible, then its density remains constant.
- 2- The fluid is non-viscous (no mechanical energy is lost)
- 3- The flow is streamline (laminar), not turbulent.
- 4- the velocity of the fluid at any point does not change during the period observation (steady flow)

6. VISCOSITY AND TURBULENCE

Viscosity is internal friction in a fluid. Viscous forces oppose the motion of one portion of a fluid relative to another.

Turbulence: When the speed of a flowing fluid exceeds a certain critical value, the flow is no longer laminar. Instead, the flow pattern becomes extremely irregular and complex, and it changes continuously with time;

This irregular, chaotic flow is called turbulence.



Example 11 –6 Answer check

1. Bernoulli's equation is only valid for

A- incompressible fluid	B- non-viscous fluid	C- steady flow	D- laminar flow	E- all of the above
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2. The term " ρgh " in the Bernoulli's equation is known as

A- kinetic head	B- pressure head	C- velocity head	D- potential head	E- density head
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3. $A_1 v_1 = A_2 v_2$ expresses the

A- continuity equation	B- momentum equation	C- energy equation	D- pressure equation	E- Bernoulli's equation
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4. Fluid offer resistance to motion due to internal friction, this property is called:

A- buoyancy	B- viscosity	C- continuity	D- density	E- specific gravity
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5. when is a fluid flow called turbulent:

A- high viscosity of fluid
B- the speed of a flowing fluid exceeds a certain critical value
C- the density of the fluid is low
D- the fluid is at rest
E- all the above