## Chapter 14

# Fluid Mechanics 

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## Learning Goals for Chapter 14

- Understand the difference between mass and density
- Study pressure in a fluid at rest - hydrostatics
- Study buoyancy
- Study fluid in motion - hydrodynamics


## Density of a substance - definition

- Definition: Density = mass per volume; it is an intrinsic property of the substance, it does not depends on the size or shape of the object.



## Densities of common substances-Table 14.1

Table 14.1 Densities of Some Common Substances

| Material | Density $\left(\mathbf{k g} / \mathbf{m}^{\mathbf{3}}\right)^{*}$ | Material | Density $\left(\mathbf{k g} / \mathbf{m}^{3}\right)^{*}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | ---: |
| Air $\left(1 \mathrm{~atm}, 20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | 1.20 | Iron, steel | $7.8 \times 10^{3}$ |
| Ethanol | $0.81 \times 10^{3}$ | Brass | $8.6 \times 10^{3}$ |
| Benzene | $0.90 \times 10^{3}$ | Copper | $8.9 \times 10^{3}$ |
| Ice | $0.92 \times 10^{3}$ | Silver | $10.5 \times 10^{3}$ |
| Water | $1.00 \times 10^{3}$ | Lead | $11.3 \times 10^{3}$ |
| Seawater | $1.03 \times 10^{3}$ | Mercury | $13.6 \times 10^{3}$ |
| Blood | $1.06 \times 10^{3}$ | Gold | $19.3 \times 10^{3}$ |
| Glycerine | $1.26 \times 10^{3}$ | Platinum | $21.4 \times 10^{3}$ |
| Concrete | $2 \times 10^{3}$ | White dwarf star | $10^{10}$ |
| Aluminum | $2.7 \times 10^{3}$ | Neutron star | $10^{18}$ |
| *To obtain the densities in grams per cubic centimeter, simply divide by $10^{3}$. |  |  |  |

## Pressure in a fluid

- We know that an object floats in a fluid if the object's density is less than that of the fluid. => There must a force supporting the object to balance of the way of the object. Where does that force from?
- Answer: The force of fluid molecules striking the object (fluid pressure)
- Pressure $=$ force per area.
- SI unit for pressure $=\mathrm{N} /$ $\mathrm{m}^{2}=$ Pascal.


Note that pressure is a scalar-it has no direction.

## Fluid at rest - hydrostatic pressure

Although fluid pressure intrinsically depends on the speed of the fluid molecules, under static equilbirum with gravity, the fluid pressure depends only on the fluid density, its depth, and $g$.
Consider a column of fluid from surface to a depth $d$.
Let $\mathrm{p}_{o}=$ pressure at the surface due to air molcules
Let $\mathrm{p}=$ pressure at the depth d due to fluid molcules
Let $\rho=$ density of fluid (assumed $\rho=$ constant, independ of depth; approximated valid for liquids, notvalid for gas)
net $\overrightarrow{\mathrm{F}}=0 \Rightarrow p A-p_{o} A-(\rho A d) g=0 \Rightarrow \mathrm{p}=\mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{o}}+\rho g d$
$\Rightarrow$ fluid pressure increases with depth

If density does depend on depth, then need calculus:
$\Rightarrow-\mathrm{dpA}=\mathrm{mg}=(\rho \mathrm{Ady}) \mathrm{g} \Rightarrow \frac{d p}{d y}=-\rho(y) g$
$\Rightarrow$ Pressure decreases with height (same as pressure increases with depth)

## Pressure, depth, and Pascal's Law

- In a uniform fluid : "Same depth $=>$ same pressure"

The pressure at the top of each liquid
column is atmospheric pressure, $p_{0}$.


The pressure at the bottom of each liquid column has the same value $p$.

The difference between $p$ and $p_{0}$ is $\rho \mathrm{gh}$, where $h$ is the distance from the top to the bottom of the liquid column. Hence all columns have the same height.

## Pressure, depth, and Pascal's Law

Consider a practical application in Figure 14.8- Pascal's Law.


Given: $A_{1} / A_{2}=0.01$ and the weight of the car is $2,000 \mathrm{lbs}$.
What is the amount force $\left(F_{1}\right)$ need to keep the car lifted?

## Measuring atmospheric pressure

Measuring atmospheric pressure using a mercury barometer.
"Same depth => same pressure"
$\mathrm{P}_{\text {outside }}=\mathrm{P}_{\text {inside }}$
$P_{\text {atm }}=P_{o}+\rho g h \cong \rho g h$
Knowing $\rho$ and g , measuring h
$\Rightarrow$ deduce $P_{\text {atm }}$.
E.g. $\rho_{\text {mercury }}=13.6 \times 10^{3} \mathrm{~kg} / \mathrm{m}^{3}, g=9.8 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}^{2}$,
$h=.76 \mathrm{~m} \Rightarrow P_{\text {atm }}=\rho g h=1.01 \times 10^{5} \mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{m}^{2}$

If the fluid in the barometer were water
(b) Mercury barometer

( $\rho=10^{3} \mathrm{~kg} / \mathrm{m}^{3}$ ), then how high is the
column of water at 1 atmospheric pressure?

## Gauge pressure

- Typically these gauges measure 'gauge pressure'
- When the absolute presssure of gas inside is 1 atmospheric pressure, the gauge reads zero.
- The gauge reading represent pressure above atmospheric pressure.



## Buoyancy and Archimedes Principle

- The buoyancy force (B) comes from the net effect that the pressure pushing up from the bottom of the object is greater the pressure pushing down on an object from the top (remember: pressure increases with depth).
- Numerically the buoynacy force equals to the weight of the displaced fluid
- $B=\rho_{\text {fluid }} V_{d} g, V_{d}=$ volume of fluid displaced.
- An object floats if the buoyancy force (B) balances the weight

An object floats when $B=w$
$\Rightarrow \rho_{\text {fluid }} V_{d} g=\rho_{\text {object }} V_{o} g$
$\Rightarrow \frac{\rho_{\text {object }}}{\rho_{\text {fluid }}}=\frac{V_{d}}{V_{o}}$
Example: If the displaced volume is $1 / 2$ of the object volume then the density of the object is $1 / 2$ the density of the fluid. Since the displaced volume cannot be greater than the object's volume, an object float when $\rho_{\text {object }}<\rho_{\text {fluid }}$.
(b) Fluid element replaced with solid body of the same size and shape


The forces due to
pressure are the same, so the body

## Measuring the density of a liquid

- A hydrometer measures the density of a liquid by how much it floats on the liquid; the scale on hydrometer is calibrated against a liquid with known density (such as water)
- This device is based on the buoyancy principle - see next slide.
(b) Using a hydrometer to measure the density of battery acid or antifreeze


The weight at the bottom makes the scale float upright

## Weighing an elephant using Archimedes Principle

- A rectangular boat with cross-sectional area $=20 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ is floating on water. After an elephant stepped into the boat, the boat sinks down by 0.15 m . Find the weight of the elephant. (Given the density of water is $10^{3} \mathrm{~kg} / \mathrm{m}^{3}$ ).


## There is a buoyancy even when the object sinks

- Example 14.5.
- A $15-\mathrm{kg}$ gold statue is being raised from a sunken ship. What is the tension in the cable when the statue is at rest and fully submerged in seawater?
(a) Immersed statue in equilibrium (b) Free-body diagram of statue


Given:

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\rho_{\text {gold }}=19.3 \times 10^{3} \mathrm{~kg} / \mathrm{m}^{3} ; \quad \rho_{\text {seawaerer }}=1.03 \times 10^{3} \mathrm{~kg} / \mathrm{m}^{3}
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## Surface tension

- How is it that water striders can walk on water (although they are more dense than the water)?
- Refer to Figure 14.15 for the water strider and then Figures 14.16 and 14.17 to see what's occurring from a molecular perspective.


Molecules in a liquid are attracted by neighboring molecules.


Water pressure $p$


Air pressure $p_{0}$

## Fluid flow - types

- The flow lines at left in Figure 14.20 are laminar.
- The flow at the top of Figure 14.21 is turbulent.



## Fluid flow -flow rate and conservation of mass

Flow rate $=$ mass of fluid crossing an area $/$ time $\Rightarrow$ Flow rate $=\rho \mathrm{Av}$

Conservation of mass => flow rate remain the same at different part of the pipe.
$\Rightarrow \rho_{1} \mathrm{~A}_{1} \mathrm{v}_{1}=\rho_{2} \mathrm{~A}_{2} \mathrm{v}_{2}$

Gases are very compressible $\Rightarrow \rho_{1}$ and $\rho_{2}$ can be quite different.

Most liquids are not very compressible, $\rho_{1} \approx \rho_{2}$. If we approximate liquids as "imcompressible" ( $\rho_{1}=\rho_{2}$ ), then $\mathrm{A}_{1} \mathrm{v}_{1}=\mathrm{A}_{2} \mathrm{v}_{2}$.


The conservation of mass equation is also called the continuity equation.

An incompressible fluid flows through a pipe of varying radius (shown in cross-section). The flow rate at point $P$ is $10 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}$. What is the flow rate at point Q?

radius $2 R$

## Bernoulli' s equation-assumes laminar flow

- Similar to work-kinetic energy theorem:

Work = change of kinetic energy

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\begin{aligned}
& \left(-\mathrm{P}_{2} A_{2} d s_{2}+P_{1} A_{1} d s_{1}\right)+\left(m g y_{1}-m g y_{2}\right)=\frac{1}{2} m v_{2}^{2} \\
& \left(\text { Note }: m=\rho A_{1} d s_{1}=\rho A_{2} d s_{2} \Rightarrow A_{1} d s_{1}=A_{2} d s_{2}\right) \\
& \Rightarrow\left(-P_{2}+P_{1}\right)+\left(\rho g y_{1}-\rho g y_{2}\right)=\frac{1}{2} \rho v_{2}^{2}-\frac{1}{2} \rho v_{1}^{2} \\
& \Rightarrow P_{1}+\rho g y_{1}+\frac{1}{2} \rho v_{1}^{2}=P_{2}+\rho g y_{2}+\frac{1}{2} \rho v_{2}^{2}
\end{aligned}
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An incompressible fluid flows through a pipe of varying radius (shown in cross-section). The flow rate at point $P$ is $10 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}$. The density of the fluid is $10^{3} \mathrm{~kg} / \mathrm{m}^{3}$.

(a) Which point has a radius $2 R$ higher pressure? P or Q
(b) What is the pressure difference?

## The Venturi meter (Bernoulli's Eq.+ continuity Eq.)

- Consider Example 14.9.


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\begin{aligned}
& A_{1} v_{1}=A_{2} v_{2} \\
& \Rightarrow v_{2}>v_{1}
\end{aligned}
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Bernoulli's equation
$\Rightarrow P_{2}<P_{1}$
$\frac{1}{2} \rho v_{1}^{2}+P_{1}=\frac{1}{2} \rho v_{2}^{2}+P_{2}$
$P_{1}-P_{2}=\frac{1}{2} \rho v_{2}^{2}-\frac{1}{2} \rho v_{1}^{2}$
$P_{1}-P_{2}=\frac{1}{2} \rho\left(\frac{A_{1}}{A_{2}}\right)^{2} v_{1}^{2}-\frac{1}{2} \rho v_{1}^{2}$
$P_{1}-P_{2}=\frac{1}{2} \rho\left[\left(\frac{A_{1}}{A_{2}}\right)^{2}-1\right] v_{1}^{2}$
Measure the pressure difference $=>$ find $\mathrm{v}_{1}$

A large bucket filled with water has a small hole at the bottom. The depth of water is 0.5 m . What is the velocity of the water coming out the hole?

## Lift on an airplane wing

## (a) Flow lines around an airplane wing

The flowlines of air moving over the top of the wing are crowded together, so the flow speed is

## - Refer to Conceptual Example 14.10.



An equivalent explanation: The wing's shape imparts a net downward momentum to the air, so the reaction force on the airplane is upward.
(b) Computer simulation of airflow around an airplane ving


Image of air parcels flowing around a wing, showing that the air goes much faster over the top than over the bottom (and that air parcels which are together at the leading edge of the wing do not meet up at the trailing edge!)

## Viscosity and turbulence-Figures 14.28, 14.29

- In real fluids (as compared to idealized model), molecules can attract or repel one another and can interact with container walls give rise to viscosity. Molecular interactions can also result in turbulence.


Cross section of a cylindrical pipe.


The velocity profile for
viscous fluid flowing in the pipe has a parabolic shape.

## A curve ball (Bernoulli's equation applied to sports)

- Bernoulli' s equation allows us to explain why a curve ball would curve.
(a) Motion of air relative
to a nonspinning ball


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(c) Force generated when a spinning ball moves through air

A moving ball drags the adjacent air with
it. So, when air moves past a spinning ball:

(b) Motion of a spinning ball

This side of the ball moves opposite to the airflow.


This side moves in the
direction of the airflow.
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(e) Spin causing a curve ball to be deflected sideways


