



FLUID STATICS

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Objectives of the Topic

Calculate pressure from a given datum

Apply the equal level or pressure principle on manometers.

Calculate the magnitude and location of forces on plane and curve surfaces that are submerged in a fluid.

Calculate the buoyant force on a body using Archimedes' principle.

Demonstrate the stability of a floating body.





Contents

Introduction

• Involved the study of fluid under static conditions (rest), No shear stress act on the fluid

Pressure

• Pressure at a point : Pascal's Law, Pressure head in fluid, Pressure transmitability, Types of pressure, Datum, Summary

Manometer

• Piezometer Tube, U-Tube, Differential, Invert-Differential

Fluid force on submerge bodies

• Introduction, Action of fluid pressure on a surface of submerged bodies, Resultant force and centre of pressure on a plane and curved surface immersed in a liquid

Buoyancy and stability of floating bodies

 Introduction, Bodies completely submerged, Archimedes principal & centre of buoyancy, Floating bodies, Stability & stability determination of submerged & floating bodies, Metacentric height concepts for floating bodies

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Pressure

- Pressure at a point
- Absolute, gauge, and vacuum pressures
- Pressure head of fluid
- Variation of pressure with depth
- Scuba diving and hydrostatic pressure
- Transmission of fluid pressure
- Pascal's law





Pressure

Pressure is defined as the amount of force exerted on a unit area of a substance or on a surface.

 $P = \frac{Force}{Area} = \frac{F}{A}$

where: P = pressure, Pa (N. m^{-2}), lb. ft⁻², psi (lb. in^{-2}), atm(1 atm= 101,300 Pa = 2,116 lb. ft⁻²), bar (1 bar = 10^{5} Pa)



Some basic pressure gages.

Pressure at a Point

- Pressure is the *compressive force* per unit area but it is not a vector. *Pressure at any point in a fluid is the same in all directions [Pascal's Law].*
- Pressure has magnitude but not a specific direction, and thus it is a scalar quantity.

Pressure (Absolute, Gauge and Vacuum)

• Absolute pressure (P_{abs})

Actual pressure at a give point

It is measured relative to absolute vacuum (absolute zero pressure)

• Atmospheric Pressure (P_{atm})

Pressure due to weight of air above it

Standard value: 1 atm equal to 101.3 kN/m², 760 mmHg, 10.35 mH₂O water (34 ftH₂O), 14.7 psi

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Fluid pressure at free surface = P_{atm}
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Pressure (Absolute, Gauge and Vacuum)

• Vacuum pressure (P_{vac})

Pressure below atmospheric pressure:

$$P_{vac} = P_{atm} - P_{abs}$$

• Gauge pressure (P_g)

Pressure that measured using pressure gauge

• Most gauge are calibrated to read zero in the atmosphere

$$P_{gauge} = P_{abs} - P_{atm}$$

+ve (above atm pressure)

-ve (below atm pressure): suction pressure of vacuum pressure

Zero pressure = atmospheric pressure

• Gauge pressure units: N/m² gauge, psig, kPa gauge, barg

Pressure (Absolute, Gauge and Vacuum)

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Pressure (Absolute, Gauge and Vacuum)

Case I

 $p_2 = \rho gh = \gamma h$ $p_a = p_{atm} + p_2$

$$p_2 = \rho g h = \gamma h \quad (\text{-ve or +ve } ????)$$
$$p_a = p_{atm} + p_2$$

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Variation of Pressure with Depth

Pressure is the same at all points on a horizontal plane in a given fluid

Pressure Head in Fluid

• Pressure is proportional to depth (P α h) :regardless of shape of container

• Pressure head:

The height of a column of fluid of specific weight γ required to give a pressure difference $P_1 - P_2$

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Pressure Head in Fluid

P exerted by a fluid is **dependent only on the vertical head**, *h*, of the fluid; it is not affected by the size & shape of the vessels

Pressure Transmissibility

- Pascal: "In a closed system, the variation of pressure at one point in the system will be transmitted to the whole system"
- Basic hydraulic system principles

Pressure Transmissibility

 The transmission of fluid pressure throughout a stationary fluid is the principle upon which many hydraulic devices are based

Note :

The pressure force exerted by the fluid is always normal to the surface at the specified points

Pressure Transmissibility (Problem 2.1)

 Dimension of hydraulic jack is shown in figure below. If a force of 100 N applied onto the jet handle, determine a maximum force F₂ would be support.

 ϕ (OD) = outer diameter = 1.5 cm

HINT

- FBD: Summing moment at point C
- Calculate P₁
- Principle of pressure transmissibility, calculate F₂

ANS: F2 = 12.22 kN

Pressure Transmissibility (Problem 2.2)

A diagram of a hydraulic jack is shown below. A force of 850 N is applied to the smaller cylinder of a hydraulic jack. The area of the small piston is 15 cm² and the area of the larger piston is 150 cm². What load W can be lifted on the larger piston

a) if the pistons are at the same level,

b) if the larger piston is 0.75 m below the smaller piston?

(*Note*: The hydraulic fluid is water)

Barometer

 Atmospheric pressure is measured by a device called a barometer; thus, the atmospheric pressure is often referred to as the barometric pressure.

The basic barometer.

• A frequently used pressure unit is the *standard atmosphere*, which is defined as the pressure produced by a column of mercury 760 mm in height at 0°C (ρ_{Hg} = 13,595 kg/m3) under standard gravitational acceleration (g = 9.807 m/s2).

$$P_{\rm atm} = \rho g h$$

Manometer

- Used to measure pressure
- Only 4 types will be consider
 - Piezometer Tube U-Tube Manometer Differential Manometer Invert-Differential Manometer
- Generally, whatever shapes and/or orientation of the manometer, the basic concepts are still the same:

pressure equilibrium concepts (needs to comprehend comprehensively)

Manometer (Piezometer Tube)

- Used the concepts of liquid head in vertical or inclined tube
- The simplest manometer

- Choose appropriate datum line
- Pressure at point 1(in the pipe system) is due to the weight of liquid in the Piezometer tube (above datum line): $p_1 = \rho gh = \gamma h$ (gauge)
- Absolute pressure: $p_1 = \gamma h + p_{atm}$ (absolute)

Manometer_Piezometer Tube (Problem 2.3)

 Based on the diagram below, determine the maximum gauge pressure of water that can be measured by a piezometer tube 2 m high? (Water mass density = 1000 kg/m³).

ANS: P1 = 20 kN/m^2

Manometer (U-Tube)

- Fabricated from 'U' shaped tube with one open-ended

e.g. $Hg/H_2OHg/Oil H_2O/Oil$

- First and foremost, choose the appropriate datum line
- Rule of thumbs: choose the lowest level of contact between the two liquids

For equilibrium

$$p_{B} = p_{C}$$
(Weight of liquid ρ_{2}
above datum line) = $(p \text{ at } x) + (Weight of liquid ρ_{1}
above datum line)
 $\begin{pmatrix} h_{2} \text{ head } p \text{ of} \\ manometer \text{ liquid } \rho_{2} \end{pmatrix} = (p \text{ at } x) + \begin{pmatrix} h_{1} \text{ head } p \text{ of} \\ flowing \text{ liquid } \rho_{1} \end{pmatrix}$

$$\rho_{2}gh_{2} = p_{x} + \rho_{1}gh_{1}$$

$$p_{x} = \rho_{2}gh_{2} - \rho_{1}gh_{1}$$

$$p_{x} = g(\rho_{2}h_{2} - \rho_{1}h_{1}) = \gamma_{2}h_{2} - \gamma_{1}h_{1} \text{ (gauge)}$$$

Manometer_U-Tube (Problem 2.4)

• A U-tube manometer as shown in figure below is used to measure the gauge pressure of fluid N of density $\rho_1 = 800 \text{ kg/m}^3$. If the manometer fluid is mercury with a density of 13600 kg/m³ (ρ_2), what will be the gauge pressure at x if $h_1 = 0.5$ m and $h_2 = 0.9$ m

Manometer_U-Tube (Problem 2.4)

• Calculate the air pressure in the tank as shown in the figure below

Manometer (Differential)

- Measure the pressure difference between 2 points in a pipeline
- Choose the lowest level of contact between the two liquids as datum

Direction of fluid flow \rightarrow

Manometer (Inverted-Differential)

- Inverted-differential or inverted u-tube manometer
- As in the previous case, it is also measuring the pressure difference between 2 points in a pipeline
- Has a reverse orientation from an ordinary differential manometer
- Choose the lowest level of contact between the two liquids as a datum

Manometer_Inverted-Differential (Problem 2.6)

- An inverted U-tube manometer as shown in figure below is used to measure the gauge pressure. If the liquids at A and B are water with density $r = 1000 \text{ kg/m}^3$, and the height differences are h = 0.3 m, a = 0.25 m and b = 0.15 m respectively. Calculate the pressure difference $p_A p_B$ if the top of the manometer is filled with
 - a. air ANS: Pair = -1962 N/m^2
 - b. oil with SG = 0.8 ANS: Poil = 392.4 N/m²

Fluid Force on Submerged Bodies

- Introduction
- Action of fluid pressure on a surface of submerged bodies
- Resultant force and centre of pressure on a plane surface immersed in a liquid
- Resultant force and centre of pressure on a curved surface immersed in a liquid
- Buoyancy and stability of floating bodies

*p*1) on immersed bodies in a liquid
2) plane & curved surfaces

Action of Fluid Pressure on a Surface of Submerged Bodies

• Resultant force

$$R = p_1 dA_1 + p_2 dA_2 + \dots + p_n dA_n = \sum (p_n dA_n)$$

- Point which R acts centre of pressure/force
- If the boundary is a plane surface, all the forces act on it will be parallel

$$\therefore R = \sum (p_n dA_n) \text{ sum of forces}$$

If the boundary is a curved surface, all the forces will act perpendicular to the surface at each point parallel forces

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Action of Fluid Pressure on a Surface of Submerged Bodies

• For curved surface:

All forces are not parallel must be combined as a vector

The forces will be divided to horizontal, R_H , and vertical, R_V , component of forces & then combined using Pythagorean theorem to determine the resultant force

$$R = F_T = \sqrt{R_H^2 + R_V^2}$$

Resultant force direction, q

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{R_V}{R_H} \right)$$

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Force Due to Statics Fluids

- Examples:-
 - 1) vertical retaining wall

Force Due to Statics Fluids

• Examples:-

2) inclined wall (dam)

The figure shows a dam 30.5 m long that retains 8 m of fresh water and is inclined at an angle Θ of 60° C . Calculate the magnitude of the Resultant force on the dam and the location of the centre of pressure (CP)

Application

Itaipú Dam on the Upper Paraná River, north of Ciudad del Este, Paraguay

Application

Aerial view of Hoover Dam on the Arizona-Nevada border

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Application

Fort Peck Dam on the Missouri River creates Fort Peck Lake, near Glasgow, northeastern Montana. Construction began in 1933 and was finished in 1940

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Application

Construction of the **Glen Canyon Dam** on the Colorado River formed Lake Powell in Arizona






Kariba Dam, on the Zambezi River at the border between Zambia and Zimbabwe







Bonneville Dam stems the Columbia River in Washington and Oregon. The dam's special fish ladders help salmon swim upstream to their spawning grounds





Application



The Fengman Dam and hydroelectric power station on the Sungari (Songhua) River, Jilin province, northeastern China





Application



Dam on the Karun River, Iran







Péligre Dam, Artibonite River, Haiti







The Three Gorges Dam spanning the Yangtze River (Chang Jiang) near Yichang, Hubei province, China







The Kenyir Dam and hydroelectric power station on Kenyir Lake, Terengganu, Malaysia

(Average annual energy output is 1,600 GWh)

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Action of Fluid Pressure on a Surface of Submerged Bodies (Problem 2.7)

• Relationship between force and the weight of fluid

An opened trapezoidal shaped tank as shown below, length of 5 m, is filled with water. Calculate:

- a) The weight of water in the tank ANS: Wwater = 245 kN
- b) Resultant force which acts at the bottom of the tank ANS: R = 196 kN





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Resultant Force and Centre of Pressure on a Plane Surface Immersed in a Liquid







Resultant Force and Centre of Pressure on a Plane Surface Immersed in a Liquid

- Symbols and meaning
 - R = resultant force

 $\rho =$ fluid density

A = plane surface area

- h = depth
- h_C = depth of object centroid centre from horizontal axis, measured from free fluid surface
- h_R = depth of the centre of R acts on an object from horizontal axis, measured from free fluid surface
- Y_C = object's centroid coordinate measured from X axis perpendicular to object location (from free fluid surface)
- Y_R = centre coordinate of *R* acts on an object from *X* axis perpendicular to object location (from free fluid surface)
- X_{C} = object's centroid coordinate measured from Y axis perpendicular to object location (from free fluid surface)
- X_R = centre coordinate of *R* acts on an object from *Y* axis perpendicular to object location (from free fluid surface)
- I, I_{XC}, I_{XYC} = second moment of area / moment inertia





Geometric Properties of some Common Shapes







Geometric Properties of some Common Shapes







(c)



 $I_{xyc} = -0.01647 R^4$

 $A = \frac{\pi R^2}{4}$

(e)





Total Submerged Plane Areas







Resultant Force and Centre of Pressure on a Plane Surface Immersed in a Liquid (Problem 2.8)

A rectangular shaped plate with a dimension of 10 m wide by 35 m long, is immersed 25 m deep vertically in a water as shown in figure below. Find the resultant force that acts on the plate and its centre of action from a surface



ANS: R = 146 MN h_R = 44.90 m





Resultant Force and Centre of Pressure on a Plane Surface Immersed in a Liquid (Problem 2.9)

If the same plate (Problem 2.9) is tilted to 30° angle from the liquid surface (as shown below), determine R and Y_R



ANS: R = 115.88 MN h_R = 34.58 m





Resultant Force and Centre of Pressure on a Curved Surface Immersed in a Liquid

- Forces are not parallel
- Forces act on the curved surface have to be combine vectorially
- There are 2 components of the resultant force R
 - 1. Horizontal component, R_H
 - o This force acts horizontally from vertical axis
 - o Mathematically

 $R_{\rm H} = \rho g h_{\rm C} A = \gamma h_{\rm C} A$

- 2. Vertical component, R_v
 - This force acts vertically from horizontal axis due to the weight of fluid above the curved surface
 - o Mathematically

$R_{V} = \rho g V = \gamma V$

- Forces are combined using Pythagorean theorems $R = \sqrt{R_H^2 + R_V^2}$
- The direction of R, θ , is solved by using trigonometry law



Curved surface





Distribution of Force on a Submerged Curve Surface









Distribution of Force on a Submerged Curve Surface

Aims

To determine the horizontal force $F_{\rm H}$ and the vertical force $F_{\rm V}$ exerted on the fluid by the curved surface and their resultant force $F_{\rm R}$





Resultant Force and Centre of Pressure on a Curved Surface Immersed in a Liquid (Problem 2.10)

A sluice gate consists of quadrant of a circle of radius 1.5 m pivoted at O. Determine the magnitude and direction of the resultant force on the gate. The width of the gate is 3 m



ANS: R = 61.65 kN Thetha = 57.52 deg.





Resultant Force and Centre of Pressure on a Curved Surface Immersed in a Liquid (Problem 2.11)

The figure below shows a part of the water tank of a quadrant circle of 9 m radius. Calculate the magnitude and direction of the resultant force on the curved surface from the horizontal axis. (Given $g = 14715 \text{ N/m}^3$)



ANS: R =2.87 MN Thetha = 49.65 deg.





Resultant Force and Centre of Pressure on a Curved Surface Immersed in a Liquid (Problem 2.12)

Calculate $R_{\rm H},\,R_{\rm V},\,R$ and θ act on the curved surface of the quarter circle. The length of the object is 1.5 m







Buoyancy and Stability of Floating Bodies

- Introduction
- Bodies completely submerged
- Archimedes principal & centre of buoyancy
- Floating bodies
- Stability of submerged bodies
- Stability determination of submerged bodies
- Stability of floating bodies
- Metacentric height concepts for floating bodies





Introduction

- Another important aspect need to consider in fluid static is hydrostatic pressure, which is the neat force, which acts on any submerged or floating bodies in a fluid
- This force is known as buoyancy force, occurred due to the increase of p with h
- The neat horizontal p on a body of completely submerged or floating is equal to zero due to pressure forces on each side are equal





Body Completely Submerged

- Weight of submerged body, $w \implies V_{IJKLI}$
- Force due to weight of fluid, **F**_w

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 $\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{W}} = \gamma_{\text{fluid}} V_{\text{fluid}} = \gamma_{\text{fluid}} V_{\text{HILKMH}}$

• Upthrust force acts on the surface body, $\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{R}}$

 $\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{R}} = \gamma_{\text{fluid}} V_{\text{fluid}} = \gamma_{\text{fluid}} V_{\text{HIJKMH}}$

• $F_R > F_W$, therefore, the neat vertical pressure force $(F_R - F_W)$ acts on the submerged bodies



$$F_{\rm B} = F_{\rm R} - F_{\rm W} = \gamma_{\rm fluid} V_{\rm body}$$

Neat vertical force @ buoyancy force





Body Completely Submerged

- Archimedes principle: The upthrust force (upward vertical force due to the fluid) on a body immersed in a fluid is equal to the weight of fluid displaced
- The buoyancy force will act through the centre of centroid of the displaced fluid which is known as centre of buoyancy
- Generally, buoyancy force does not equal to the weight of immersed body due to that immersed body has upward or downward acceleration which depends on g of the body either bigger or smaller than g of the fluid
- For floating body, there is no upward acceleration. Buoyancy force for floating body is equal to its own weight. In other words, a floating body replaces its own weight with the weight of fluid when it floats





Floating Bodies



Body apparent weight
$$= \gamma_{\text{body}} V_{\text{body}} - \gamma_{\text{air}} V_{\text{air}}$$

In engineering calculations, g_{air} can be neglected

Body apparent weight = Body's weight = $\gamma_{body}V_{body}$





Floating Bodies (Problem 2.13)

By using pressure-depth relationships ($p = \gamma h$), shows that buoyancy force on a solid cylinder which is completely immersed is equal to the weight of fluid replaced by the cylinder. (Neglect the weight of the cylinder)







Floating Bodies (Problem 2.13)

The top of the cylinder is marked with 1 & at the bottom is marked with 2, the cross-sectional area is A, and volume is V_{cylinder}







Floating Bodies (Problem 2.14)

A spherical buoy is fastened to the bottom of the river (fresh water) with a cable, as shown in figure below. The buoy was designed to float in water. At one time, the river water level has risen and submerges the buoy. If the buoy is 1 m diameter and 750 kg/m³ density, calculate the tension force that acts on the cable



ANS: T = 1285 N





Stability of Submerged Bodies

• Submerged body is said stable:

When small amount of **F** (disturbance) applied on a body during its stability state, the body will turn back to its previous position

- Example
 - Air balloon (which is completely floats/submerged in the air) wind blow disturbance)
 - Submarine (which is completely submerged in the water) current disturbance





Stability Determination of Submerged Bodies

• For completely submerged body, to be stable







Stability Determination of Submerged Bodies





Stability Determination of Submerged Bodies (Problem 2.15)

 An air balloon system is shown in figure below. Due to a cross wind blowing, the air balloon is turning clockwise through the 10° angle from stability state. If the weight of the air balloon system is 2500 lb and the distance, *L*, between the gravity centre and buoyancy centre is 18 ft, determine the magnitude and direction of the coupling moment produced



ANS: M_coupling = 7830 ft.lb anticlockwise





Stability of Floating Bodies

- The analysis is more complex compared to completely submerged bodies
 - The buoyancy centre position will shift with the body shapes when turning force is applied
 - Generally, to be more stable, the body's buoyancy centre must lie below the centre of gravity. (Note: It's depends on the shape of the object. Will be discuss in Metacentric height concepts)
- Consider the situation below:







Metacentric Height Concepts for Floating Bodies

• Metacentric height:

Used as a parameter to measure the stability of floating bodies 📫 quantitatively



GM – Directly measure the stability of floating bodies due to coupling moment produced is directly proportional to the height of meta centre

 $M_{\text{coupling}} = w \overline{\text{GM}} \sin \theta$ innovative • entrepreneurial • global





Metacentric Height Concepts for Floating Bodies

• Determine magnitude of GM \implies M_{coupling}






Metacentric Height Concepts for Floating Bodies (Problem 2.16)

A cylindrical block of wood which has a dimension of 1 ft long and 3 inches diameter, is placed vertically in water as shown in figure below. If the wood has a specific gravity of 0.5, determine whether the cylindrical block of wood is stable or not?







Summary (Fluid Force on Submerged Bodies-Plane Surface)







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Summary (Fluid Force on Submerged Bodies-Curve Surface)



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