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Physics 22000 General Physics Lecture 19 - Fluids

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What's New This Time?

- Previously, we had ignored the effect of gravity on the gas particles that were described by the ideal gas model.
- In Chapter 10, our interest expands to include phenomena in which the force exerted by Earth plays an important role.
 - We will confine the discussion to static fluids fluids that are not moving.

Density

1. Measure mass of object.

cylinder.

2. Place the object in water in a graduated

• To find the density of an object or a substance, determine its mass and the ratio of the mass and volume: V

$$\rho = m$$

• To find the volume of a solid object of irregular shape, submerge it in a graduated cylinder filled with water.









Solid Water Floats in Liquid Water

- The solid form of a particular substance is almost always denser than the liquid form of the same substance, with one very significant exception: liquid water and solid ice.
 - Because ice floats on liquid water, we can assume that the density of ice is less than that of water.
 - Ice has a lower density because in forming the crystal structure of ice, water molecules spread apart.

Pressure Exerted by a Fluid

- Take a water bottle and poke four holes at the same height along its perimeter.
 - Parabolic-shaped streams of water shoot out of the holes.
 Holes punched at same level in bottle """.
 - The water inside must push out perpendicular to the wall of the bottle, just as gas pushes out perpendicular to the wall of a balloon.
 - Because the four streams are identically shaped, the pressure at all points at the same depth in the fluid is the same.





Pascal's first law at a microscopic level

- Particles inside a container move randomly in all directions.
- When we push harder on one of the surfaces of the container, the fluid becomes compressed.
- The molecules near that surface collide more frequently with their neighbors, which in turn collide more frequently with *their* neighbors.
- The extra pressure exerted at one surface quickly spreads, such that soon there is increased pressure throughout the fluid.







Example

• A hydraulic lift has a small piston with surface area 0.0020 m² and a larger piston with surface area 0.20 m². Piston 2 and the car placed on piston 2 have a combined mass of 1800 kg. What is the minimal force that piston 1 needs to exert on the fluid to slowly lift the car?











Pressure Variation with Depth

- From the observed patterns, we reason that the pressure of the liquid at the hole depends only on the height of the liquid above the hole, and not on the mass of the liquid above. We also see that the pressure at a given depth is the same in all directions.
- Pascal's first law fails to explain this pressure variation at different depths below the surface.



-Greatest pressure





Тір

• When using Pascal's second law, picture the situation. Be sure to include a vertical *y*-axis that points upward and has a defined origin, or zero point. Then choose the two points of interest and identify their vertical *y*-positions relative to the axis. This lets you relate the pressures at those two points.



Measuring Atmospheric Pressure

• Its been known since Galileo's time that a pump consisting of a piston in a long cylinder that pulls up water can lift water only 10.3 m.













Atmospheric Pressure using Mercury

TIP We now understand why pressure is often measured and reported in mm Hg and why atmospheric pressure is 760 mm Hg. The atmospheric pressure (101,000 N/m²) can push mercury of density (13,600 kg/m³) 760 mm up a column.

Example

• The bottom of a 4.0-m-tall diving bell is at an unknown depth underwater. The pressure of the air inside the bell is 2.0 atm (it was 1 atm before the bell entered the water). The average density of ocean water is slightly greater than the density of fresh water, $\rho_{ocean water} = 1027 \text{ kg/m}^3$. How high is the water inside the bell and how deep is the bottom of the bell under the water?

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