

## ChE 374–Lecture 3–Fluid Statics

- Review of pressure
    - $P = F/A$  ( $P$  is a stress)
      - \* Scalar: same in all directions
      - \* Acts normal to surfaces
    - Units: SI:  $\text{Pa} = \text{kg}/\text{ms}^2$ , Eng:  $\text{lbf}/\text{in}^2$  or  $\text{psi}$ 
      - \*  $1 \text{ atm} = 101325 \text{ Pa} = 14.7 \text{ lbf/in}^2$  (MEMORIZE THIS)
    - Absolute versus Gage pressure
      - \* Gage is relative to the atmosphere. Very practical
      - \* Absolute must always be used in the I.G. law.
      - \* Always specify which!
  - Barometric equation
    - Describes pressure variation in a fluid
- FORCE BALANCE

–  $\Delta P = \rho gh$ 
  - \* (for constant  $\rho$ )

–  $\frac{dP}{dz} = -\rho g$ .
 
  - \* Be careful of signs ( $z$  points up),  $P$  increases with depth.
  - \* No horizontal changes in pressure, because there is no horizontal gravity..
    - $P$  in same fluid at same height is the same!
    - All that matters is how much fluid is above.
  - \* More generally:  $\frac{dP}{dz} = -\rho g \rightarrow \nabla P = \rho \vec{a}$ .
- Example: Pressure at the bottom of a pool
    - Water vs. Air
      - \* Ignore variation of  $P$  with  $h$  for air for short distances.
        - Not true for air flow with density variations (like chimneys).
        - True for liquids exposed to the atmosphere  $\rightarrow$  same  $P$  even if at different heights.
    - Example: Variation of  $P$  in the atmosphere
      - Density varies.
        - \* Use ideal gas law.
        - \* How does temperature vary  $\rightarrow$  three cases: (1) isothermal, (2) adiabatic, (3) average of measurements.

## Class 3 - Fluid Statics

- $P = \frac{F}{A}$  F is The "normal" Force per area.

- P is isotropic: Same in all Directions.



Same pressure on Plate in 3 configs.

- Pressure from molecular collisions, which are random and in all directions.

### Units

$$\frac{F}{A} = \frac{N}{m^2} = Pa = \frac{kg}{ms^2} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{lbf}{in^2} = psi$$

$$1 \text{ atm} = 101325 \text{ Pa} = 14.7 \text{ psi}$$

### Absolute vs Gage

Abs  $\rightarrow$  P relative to vacuum

Gage  $\rightarrow$  P relative to atmosphere

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

$$P_{abs} = P_g + P_{atm}$$

Always Specify

psi vs psia vs psig

Thermodynamics uses  $P_{abs}$ : Ideal Gas  $P = \rho RT/M$

M  
is  $P_{abs}$

### Barometric Eqn

- Pressure Statics  $\rightarrow$  No Fluid Motion

$$\boxed{\frac{dP}{dz} = -\rho g}$$

$$\boxed{\Delta P = \rho gh}$$

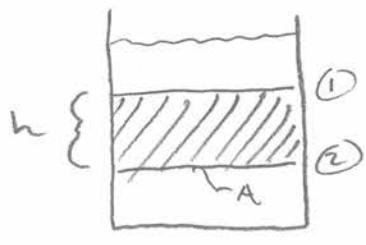
Know These.

Details  $\rightarrow$

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Force Balance:

$$\sum F = 0$$

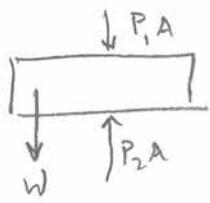


X-Dir : Pressure on Sides  
→ Cancels.

Z-Dir : Forces

\* Q: How many Forces? → 1, 2, 3, 4?

→ 3 :  $P_1, P_2, \text{ weight}$ .



$$w = \rho Ahg$$

$$\sum F = 0 \rightarrow P_2A - P_1A - \rho Ahg = 0$$

$$P_2 - P_1 = \rho gh \rightarrow \boxed{\Delta P = \rho gh}$$

- Pressure increases with Depth  $h$
- $h$  measured Down
- Assumed Const  $\rho$

- If  $\rho$  Not Const :

$$\text{Shrink to a point: } h = z_1 - z_2 = -\Delta z \\ = -(z_2 - z_1)$$

$$\Delta P = \rho gh = -\rho g \Delta z \rightarrow \frac{\Delta P}{\Delta z} = -\rho g$$

$$\lim \Delta z \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \boxed{\frac{dP}{dz} = -\rho g} \quad (\text{or } \vec{\nabla}P = \rho \vec{a})$$

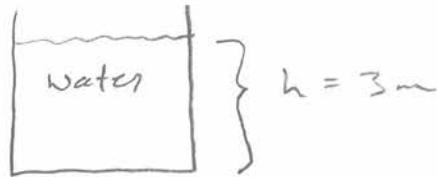
- $z$  points up!

- No Horizontal  $\Delta P$  cause No horizontal gravity
- $P$  in same fluid at same height is same.



Example 1

Force at Bottom of Pool



$$\Delta P = \rho gh = \left(1000 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}\right) \left(9.81 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}\right) (3 \text{ m}) \approx 30,000 \text{ Pa}$$

$$\frac{\Delta P}{P_{\text{atm}}} = 30\%$$

Air instead?

$$\rightarrow \frac{P_{\text{air}}}{P_{\text{water}}} = \frac{1.2}{1000} \rightarrow \frac{\Delta P}{P_{\text{atm}}} \approx 0.03\%$$

$\rightarrow$  Ignore variation of  $P$  with  $h$  for air for short distances.

- When considering liquids at different heights, ignore the weight of the air.
  - Not true for hot gas vs cool gas
    - Chimney
    - Hot air balloon
    - Gas 1 vs Gas 2
- $\left. \begin{matrix} & \\ & \end{matrix} \right\} \Delta P \text{ matters here.}$

Example 2Atmosphere:  $\rho$  changes with height

Quiz See slide

- e.g. Get an expression for  $P(z)$  in atmosphere
- Assume const  $g \rightarrow$  why? (Earth  $D \approx 8000$  miles, Atmosphere  $\approx 20$  miles thick)
- Assume Isothermal

$$\frac{dP}{dz} = -\rho g \quad ; \quad \rho = M P / R T$$

$$\frac{dP}{dz} = -\alpha P \quad ; \quad \alpha = Mg / RT \text{ is const.}$$

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Integrate with B.C.  $P = P_{atm}$  at  $z = 0$

$$\frac{dP}{P} = -\alpha dz \quad (\text{sep. vars})$$

$$\int_{P_{atm}}^P \frac{dP}{P} = \int_0^z -\alpha dz' \rightarrow \ln \frac{P}{P_{atm}} = -\alpha z$$

$$\rightarrow P = P_{atm} \exp(-\alpha z)$$

$$* P = P_{atm} \exp(-Mg z / RT)$$

Optional:

ISENTROPIC: As gas expands, it does work on surrounding gas, but loses  $\rightarrow$  heat  
 $\rightarrow$  Temperature drops

Next Semester:  $T = T_1 \cdot \left(\frac{P}{P_1}\right)^\alpha$ ;  $\alpha = \frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}$ ,  $\gamma = \frac{C_p}{C_v}$   
 $\gamma = 1.4$  for air (assumed const.)

$$\frac{dP}{dz} = -\frac{Mg P_1 \alpha}{RT_1 P^\alpha} = -\underbrace{\frac{Mg P_1 \alpha}{RT_1}}_C \cdot P^{1-\alpha}$$

$$\frac{dP}{dz} = -C P^{1-\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{dP}{P^{1-\alpha}} = -C dz = P^{\alpha-1} dP$$

$$\int_{P_{atm}}^P P^{\alpha-1} dP = - \int_0^z C dz$$

Solve, insert  $C$ :

$$* P_2 = P_{atm} \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma} \right) \frac{Mg}{RT_{atm}} (z_2 - z_1) \right]^{\gamma/\gamma-1}$$

$$\rightarrow T_2 = T_{atm} \left( 1 - \left( \frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma} \right) \frac{Mg}{RT_{atm}} (z_2) \right)$$

form is  $T = T^* + B z$  is a fit

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## The "Standard" Atmosphere

$$T = T^* + \beta z$$

$$T^* = 288.15$$

$$\beta = -0.0064876 \text{ K/m}$$

$$\frac{dP}{dz} = -\frac{MPg}{R(T^* + \beta z)}$$

$$\frac{dP}{P} = -\frac{Mg}{R(T^* + \beta z)} dz$$

\* Solve  $\rightarrow P_2 = P_1 \left[ \frac{T^* + \beta z}{T^*} \right]^{-Mg/R\beta}$

See Slide: Plots  $P_{iso}$ ,  $P_{isen}$ ,  $P_{std}$  vs  $z$

Also  $T_{iso}$ ,  $T_{isen}$ ,  $T_{std}$ .

•  $P$  at 30,000 ft = 0.34 atm  $\rightarrow \approx 4\%$  !  
 = Everest

$$T_{std} \sim 240 \text{ K} = -28^\circ \text{F}$$

# Quiz

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- Develop and expression for the pressure in the atmosphere as a function of elevation:
  - $P(z)$
  - Where  $P(0) = P_{\text{atm}}$ .
  - Assume constant temperature T.
- Strategy
  - Go with what you know:
  - What do you expect to happen?
  - Draw a picture
  - What is an expression or law that relates the physics?
  - What additional information or assumptions are needed.
  - Talk to your neighbor ☺



# Temperature, Pressure in Atmosphere

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