## CHAPTER 2. FLUID STATICS

1. Pressure on a point. Pascal's law
2. The basic hydrostatic equation
3. Measurement of pressure
4. Forces on surfaces: plane and curved surfaces
5. Mechanics of buoyant bodies and submerged bodies

## 1. Pascal's law: pressure on a point, isotropy

$\checkmark$ Isotropy in the definition of pressure
$\checkmark$ Proof: force balance in a differential wedge of fluid


- Conclusion:

$$
\mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{s}}=\mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{x}}=\mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{y}}=\mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{z}}=\mathrm{p}
$$

Figura 1.28 Differential wedge of fluid

## 2. The basic hydrostatic equation

- The basic hydrostatic equation*
- Application to obtain the pressure field ${ }^{*}$ : (1) constant density (liquids)
- Application to obtain the pressure field *: (2) variable density


## 2. 1. The basic hydrostatic equation

$\checkmark$ Concept: $\quad \rho \overrightarrow{\mathrm{F}}=\vec{\nabla} \mathrm{p} \leadsto \rho\left(\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{x}} \hat{\mathrm{i}}+\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{y}} \hat{\mathrm{j}}+\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{z}} \hat{\mathrm{k}}\right)=\left(\frac{\partial \mathrm{p}}{\partial \mathrm{x}} \hat{\mathrm{i}}+\frac{\partial \mathrm{p}}{\partial \mathrm{y}} \hat{\mathrm{j}}+\frac{\partial \mathrm{p}}{\partial \mathrm{z}} \hat{\mathrm{k}}\right)$
$\checkmark$ Deduction. Force balance:
In a differential, static cube, centred in a point $P(x, y, z)$ with a known pressure of $p=p(x, y, z)$, downward vertical gravity


Figure 2.1 Infinitesimal element of fluid

## 2. 1. The basic hydrostatic equation

$\checkmark$ Conclusions of the force balance

- The basic hydrostatic equation:

$$
\left.\begin{array}{|c}
\hline-\frac{\partial \mathrm{p}}{\partial \mathrm{x}}=0 \\
\hline-\frac{\partial \mathrm{p}}{\partial \mathrm{y}}=0 \\
\hline
\end{array}\right\}-\frac{\mathrm{dp}}{\mathrm{dz}}=\gamma
$$

- Isobaric line: force of the external field is normal to any isobaric line
- Free surface, isobaric surfaces


### 2.2. Application to obtain the pressure field: (1) constant density (liquids)

$\checkmark$ Incompressible fluid, integration of the basic law

$$
-\frac{\mathrm{dp}}{\mathrm{dz}}=\gamma \quad \square \quad \mathrm{p}=\mathrm{p}_{0}-\gamma \mathrm{z}
$$

$\checkmark$ Use of heights and depths:

a)

Figure 2.4 Hydrostatic equation in case of constant density.
a) General reference plane; b) Reference plane in the free surface

### 2.2. Application to obtain the pressure field: (1) constant density (liquids)

$\checkmark$ Pressure, exclusive dependence on depth


Figure 2.5 Pressure into tanks with different shapes and containing different liquids
$\checkmark$ Principle of communicating vessels


Figure 2.6 Principle of communicating vessels

### 2.2. Application to obtain the pressure field: (1) constant density (liquids)

$\checkmark$ Pressures' law given in heights

$$
\mathrm{p}=\mathrm{p}_{0}-\gamma \mathrm{z} \quad \neg \quad \frac{\mathrm{p}_{0}}{\gamma}=\mathrm{z}+\frac{\mathrm{p}}{\gamma}=\mathrm{H}=\mathrm{Cte} \quad \text { ("piezometric head") }
$$



Figura 2.7 Piezometric head constancy

### 2.2. Application to obtain the pressure field: (1) constant density (liquids)

$\checkmark$ Equivalent liquid column


Figura 2.8 Mercury barometer

### 2.2. Application to obtain the pressure field: (2) variable density (gases)

$\checkmark$ Compressible fluid, integration of the basic law

$$
-\frac{\mathrm{dp}}{\mathrm{dz}}=\gamma \quad \mathrm{p}=\mathrm{p}_{0}-\int_{\mathrm{z} 0}^{\mathrm{z}} \gamma \mathrm{dz}=\mathrm{p}_{0}-\mathrm{g} \int_{\mathrm{z} 0}^{\mathrm{z}} \rho \mathrm{dz}
$$

Gases. Standard atmosphere (I.S.A.)


$$
\begin{aligned}
& -\frac{\mathrm{dp}}{\mathrm{dz}}=\gamma \\
& \mathrm{T}=\mathrm{T}_{0}-\mathrm{Bz}
\end{aligned} \quad \square \mathrm{p}=\mathrm{p}_{0}\left(1-\frac{\mathrm{B}}{\mathrm{~T}_{0}} \mathrm{z}\right)^{\frac{1}{\mathrm{BR}}}
$$

Figure 2.10 Temperature evolution with

$$
\mathrm{p}=\gamma \mathrm{R}^{\prime} \mathrm{T}
$$

height " $z$ " in the earth's atmosphere

## 3. Measurement of pressure

Measurement of pressure:

1. Piezometer (static pressure probe)*
2. U tube manometer*
3. Differential manometer*

### 3.1. Piezometer



$$
p_{A}=\mathrm{yh}
$$

(gauge pressure)

Figure 2.11 Piezometer

### 3.2. U tube manometer



Figure 2.12 U tube manometer

### 3.3. Differential manometer

$\checkmark$ Differential manometer: U tube


$$
\mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{A}}-\mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{B}}=\gamma_{\mathrm{m}} \mathrm{~h}+\gamma_{\mathrm{a}} \mathrm{a}-\gamma_{\mathrm{b}} \mathrm{~b}
$$

$$
\mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{A}}-\mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{B}}=\mathrm{h}\left(\gamma_{\mathrm{m}}-\gamma\right)
$$

"Equation of the differential manometer"

Figure 2.14. Two regions connected by a $U$ tube differential manometer

- "Mnemonic manometer rule":



### 3.3. Differential manometer

$\checkmark$ Differential manometer: inverted U tube


$$
p_{A}=p_{B}-\gamma_{b} b-\gamma_{m} h+\gamma_{a} a
$$

$$
p_{A}-p_{B}=h\left(y-v_{m}\right)
$$

Figure 2.16 Inverted U tube differential manometer

### 3.6. Other gauges

## $\checkmark$ Bourdon manometer



Figure 2.17 Bourdon manometer, available at the Fluid Mechanics Laboratory of the Faculty of Engineering in Bilbao. On the left hand side a typical manometer, on the right hand side manometer / vacuum meter


Figure 2.18 Details of the interior of a Bourdon manometer

## 4. Forces on surfaces

Forces on surfaces:

1. Plane surfaces*
2. Curved surfaces*

### 4.1. Forces on surfaces: plane surfaces

## $\checkmark$ CASE 1:

- Pressure forces caused by the atmosphere
- Pressure forces caused by gases
- Pressure forces caused by liquids on isobaric surfaces (parallel to free surface)

- Resulting hydrostatic force
$\mathrm{E}=\iint_{\mathrm{A}} \mathrm{pdA}=\mathrm{pA}$
- Point of application

Figure 2.20 Uniform pressure distribution

### 4.1. Forces on surfaces: plane surfaces

## $\checkmark$ CASE 2:

- Force by a liquid on an inclined surface


## Method of the formula



- Force
$\mathrm{E}=\gamma \mathrm{h}_{\mathrm{G}} \mathrm{A}=\mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{G}} \mathrm{A}$
- Point of application

$$
\mathrm{y}_{\mathrm{C}}=\frac{\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{xG}}}{\mathrm{y}_{\mathrm{G}} \mathrm{~A}}+\mathrm{y}_{\mathrm{G}}
$$

Figure 2.21 Hydrostatic pressure distribution on a plane plate

### 4.1. Forces on surfaces: plane surfaces

$\checkmark$ CASE 2:

- Force by a liquid on an inclined surface

Method of the prism


Figure 2.23 Method of the prism of pressures

### 4.2. Forces on surfaces: curved surfaces



Figure 2.24 Forces on curved surfaces


- Horizontal force:

$$
\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{h}}=\gamma \mathrm{h}_{\mathrm{G}, \mathrm{Pr} \mathrm{Pv}_{\mathrm{t}}} \mathrm{~A}_{\mathrm{Prvt}}
$$

- Point of application
- Vertical force:

- Point of application

Figure 2.25 Force on a differential element of area

### 4.2. Forces on surfaces: curved surfaces

$\checkmark$ Curved three-dimensional surface


Figure 2.26 Curved three-dimensional surface
$\checkmark$ There is not any fluid above

$$
E_{\mathrm{v}}=\gamma \mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{ABDE}}
$$

Figure 2.27 Fluid below the surface


### 4.2. Forces on surfaces: curved surfaces

$\checkmark$ Pressurized containers


Figure 2.28 Pressurized container
$\checkmark$ Vertical force, addition - subtraction of volumes


Figure 2.29 Method of addition / subtraction of volumes for the analysis of vertical forces

## 5. Mechanics of buoyant and submerged bodies

1. Mechanics of buoyant and submerged bodies
$\checkmark$ Equilibrium and stability of submerged bodies*
$\checkmark$ Equilibrium and stability of partially submerged bodies*

- Calculation of the metacentric radius*
- Effect of an internal liquid mass*
- Restoring Couple*


## 5. Mechanics of buoyant and submerged bodies

$\checkmark \quad$ 1st Archimedes' principle


Figure 2.31 Body submerged in a fluid with a specific weight $Y$

$$
\uparrow \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}=\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{AFD}}-\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{ABD}}=\gamma\left(\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{AFDIH}}-\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{ABDIH}}\right)=\gamma \mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{ABDF}}
$$

## 5. Mechanics of buoyant and submerged bodies

$\checkmark$ Equilibrium of totally submerged bodies

$\mathrm{E}=\mathrm{W}$; Equilibrium situation $\left(\rho=\rho_{s}\right)$
$\mathrm{E}>\mathrm{W}$; The body floats $\left(\rho>\rho_{\mathrm{s}}\right)$
E $<\mathrm{W}$; The body sinks $\left(\rho<\rho_{s}\right)$

Figure 2.32 Equilibrium of submerged bodies
$\checkmark$ Stability of totally submerged bodies


Figure 2.33 Study of the stability of submerged bodies

## 5. Mechanics of buoyant and submerged bodies

$\checkmark$ Equilibrium of partially submerged bodies

- 2nd Archimedes' principle:

$$
\mathrm{W}=\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{s}} \mathrm{~V}=\mathrm{E}=\mathrm{\gamma} \mathrm{~V}_{\text {submerged }}
$$

$\checkmark$ Stability of partially submerged bodies

- C above G:


Figure 2.34 Stable equilibrium in buoyant bodies

## 5. Mechanics of buoyant and submerged bodies

$\checkmark$ Stability of partially submerged bodies

- G above C:


## Stability



Figure 2.36 Stability of buoyant bodies in case $C$ is below $C$

## 5. Mechanics of buoyant and submerged bodies

$\checkmark$ Stability of partially submerged bodies
Nomenclature


## 5. Mechanics of buoyant and submerged bodies

$\checkmark$ Stability of partially submerged bodies

- G below C: calculation of the position of the metacentre M



Figure 2.37 Calculation of the position of the metacentre with small heel angles in the buoyant body

$$
\int_{\mathrm{abOcd}} \mathrm{xdE}=\gamma \theta \iint_{\mathrm{A}} \mathrm{x}^{2} \mathrm{dA}=\gamma \theta \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{L}}
$$



- Metacentric radius:

$$
\overline{\mathrm{CM}}=\frac{\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{L}}}{\mathrm{~V}} \quad \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{L}}=\iint_{\mathrm{A}} \mathrm{x}^{2} \mathrm{dA}
$$

## 5. Mechanics of buoyant and submerged bodies

$\checkmark$ Stability of partially submerged bodies

- Internal liquid mass


$$
\overline{\mathrm{GG}^{\prime}}=\frac{\sum \gamma_{\mathrm{liq}} \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{FS}, \mathrm{~L}}}{\sum \mathrm{~W}}
$$

Figure 2.39 Stability in case of internal liquid mass inside the buoyant body

## 5. Mechanics of buoyant and submerged bodies

$\checkmark$ Stability of partially submerged bodies

- Restoring couple

$\mathrm{M}=\mathrm{W} \times \overline{\mathrm{GM}} \times \theta$

Figure 2.42 Restoring couple

