L12- FLUIDS-1

FLUIDS → STUFF THAT FLOWS

- liquids } FLUIDS
- gases } FLUIDS
- sand, snow, or grain (granular materials)

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States of Matter

- Comes in three states – solid, liquid, gas
- So far we have only dealt with *solid* objects → blocks, sticks, balls, etc.
- The study of fluids is more complicated because fluids are complicated since *they do not have any particular shape.*
- *Newton's laws can be applied to fluids*

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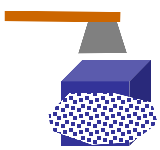
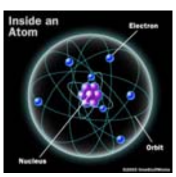
Atoms – the basic pieces of stuff





- All matter is composed of atoms (atomic hypothesis)
- If we imagine cutting an object into smaller and smaller pieces, we eventually get down to atoms
- Diameter about 10^{-10} m
- Acceptance of the atomic hypothesis evolved over about a century 1800-1900

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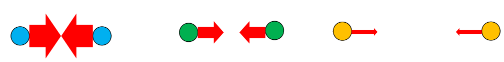
Differences between solids, liquids and gases

1. The main difference is the distance between the atoms
   - The atoms of a solid are closer to each other than the atoms in a liquid
   - the atoms in a liquid are closer to each other than the atoms in a gas, and
2. The strength of the forces between the atoms.
   - The forces between atoms in a solid are stronger than the forces between atoms in a liquid
   - The forces between atoms in a liquid are stronger than the forces between atoms in a gas



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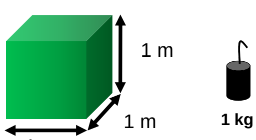
Mass Density (ρ, Greek rho)

- Density is one way to characterize matter → it depends on how close the atoms are to each other
- The mass density is the amount of mass in a unit volume of the substance
- It is measured in kilograms per cubic meter (kg/m^3) or g/cm^3 (g/cc) = 1000 kg/m^3

One cubic meter



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A few mass densities

Substance	Density (kg / m^3)
lead	11,000
water	1,000
air	1.25
aluminum	2,700
iron	2,300
mercury	13,600

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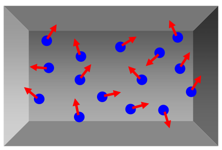
Gases: air pressure

- The air molecules (oxygen and nitrogen) in the box bounce around in all directions
- When they hit the wall they give it an impulse



- The average effect of many, many molecules hitting the walls produces a force on the wall
- The size of this force depends on the surface area of the wall – which depends on the container
- It makes more sense to give the force on a unit surface --- **PRESSURE**

Definition of pressure

- **Pressure = force per unit area**

  P = force / area = F / A
- The unit of pressure is Newtons per m^2
- One N/m^2 is called one Pascal (Pa)
- Another commonly used unit is pounds per square inch (**psi**). These are the units on a typical tire pressure gauge

The pressure in a gas

- The more molecules in the box (the number per unit volume) the larger the pressure
- The pressure of a gas is also larger if the molecules have larger speeds (faster)
- At a higher temperature the molecules have more energy and thus higher speeds
- Thus the pressure depends on 2 factors:

pressure ∝ number density x temperature

proportional to

Ideal gas law

The Earth's atmosphere

atmosphere

If the earth were a basketball, the atmosphere would be the thickness of a sheet of paper.

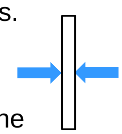
- The atmosphere is a thin layer of air surrounding the earth
- It extends upward to about 6 miles
- It is held in place by gravity.
- The moon has no atmosphere because its gravity is not strong enough to hold on to one

Atmospheric pressure

- At the earth's surface the pressure due to the atmosphere is about 100,000 N/m^2 (10^5 N/m^2) or just 1 atmosphere (atm)
- units: 1 N/m^2 = 1 Pa (Pascal)
- This means that over a 1 square meter of surface area the atmosphere exerts a force of 100,000 N/m^2 x 1 m^2 = 100,000 N
- This amounts to about 22,500 lbs or 11 tons!
- This corresponds to a mass of 10,000 kg
- *Why don't we seem to notice this force?*

The power of atmospheric pressure

- We typically do not 'feel' atmospheric pressure because it is the same on all sides (inside and outside) of objects.
- For example, the pressure is the same on both sides of a window.

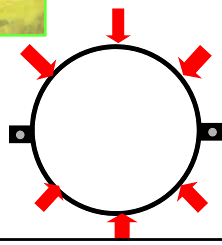


- The pressure inside our bodies is the same as the pressure outside.
- You feel atmospheric pressure on your eardrums when you go up a mountain or an elevator to the top of a tall building.

Magdeburg hemispheres

In 1654 two teams of horses try to separate the halves of a sphere with the air pumped out.

When under vacuum there is about 1 ton of force holding the hemisphere's together



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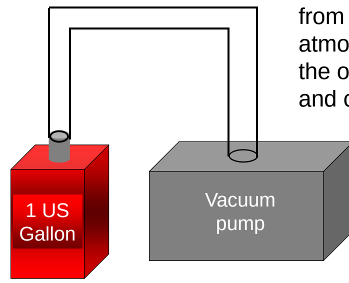
Atmospheric pressure in action



When the air is removed from inside the gas can, atmospheric pressure on the outside is unbalanced and crushes the can.

Suction cups also use atmospheric pressure to hold things together.

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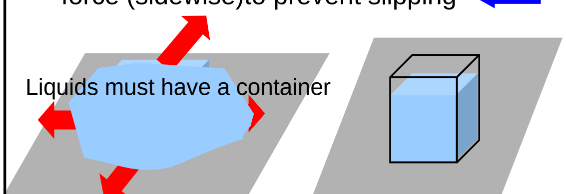
Liquids

- Liquids cannot support themselves
- one layer of a fluid cannot exert a shear force (sidewise)to prevent slipping



Liquids must have a container

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Variation of pressure with depth in a liquid

- Anybody the does scuba diving knows that the pressure increases as you dive to greater depths
- The increasing water pressure with depth limits how deep a submarine can go → crush depth
- about 2400 ft for the US Seawolf class subs, 4000 ft for titanium soviet subs.

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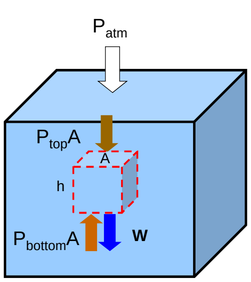
The deeper you go, the higher the pressure



- The hypothetical volume of liquid of volume A x h is *at rest*
- Thus, the net force on this volume must = 0
- → $F_{bottom} = F_{top} + W$
- Therefore: F_{bottom} must be greater than F_{top}
- The pressure on the bottom is higher than pressure on top
- Pressure increases with depth

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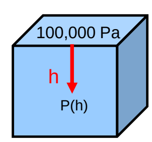
How much does P increase with depth?

- **$P(h) = P_{atm} + \rho g h$**
  where ρ is the density of the liquid (kg/m^3)
- At the surface of a body of water the pressure is 1 atm = 100,000 Pa
- As we go down into the water, at what depth does the pressure double, from 1 atm (100,000 Pa) to 2 atm (200,000 Pa)?



P(h) = 200,000 Pa = 100,000 Pa + $\rho g h$

→ $\rho g h$ = 100,000 Pa = 1000 (kg/m^3)x 10 (m/s^2) x h (m)

→ h = 10 m, or roughly 32 feet.

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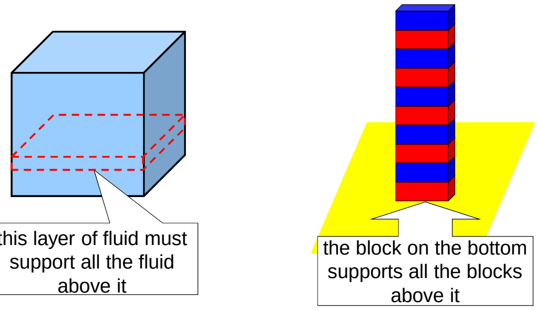
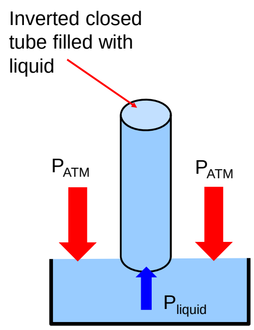
Why does pressure increase with depth?



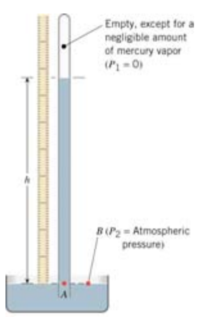
Put simply, the deeper you go, the more water you have pushing down on you from above.

Measuring atmospheric pressure - Barometers



The column of liquid is held up by the pressure of the liquid in the tank. Near the surface this pressure is atmospheric pressure, so the atmosphere holds the liquid up.

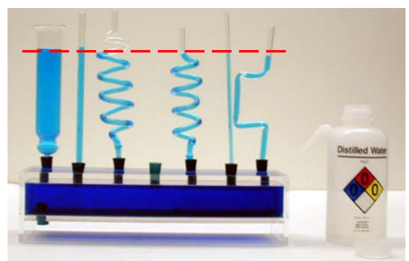
Barometric pressure



Atmospheric pressure can support a column of water 10.3 m high, or a column of mercury (which is 13.6 times as dense as water) 30 inches high → the mercury barometer

Today's weather

Pascal's Vases



- The fluid levels are the same in all each tube irrespective of their shape