

Pressure

1- Notion of Pressure

On snow, a non-equipped walking man leaves deep foot prints; if he uses the skis, the prints are less deep. We say that pressure on snow becomes less.

- On what factors does the pressure depend?
- How can we show evidence of the influence of these factors?



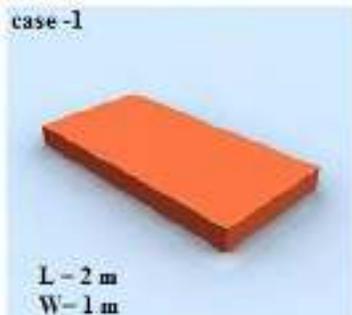
2- Definition of Pressure on a plane surface:

The force \vec{F} of magnitude F applied perpendicularly and uniformly on a plane surface (S), the **pressure** exerted is the force acting on a unit area. So The pressure expressed in Pascal's (**Pa**) and defined as the ratio of the magnitude of the pressing force F to the area of the surface of contact S :

$$P = \frac{F}{S} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} P = \text{pressure in (Pa)} \\ F = \text{force applied in (N)} \\ S = \text{contact area in (m}^2\text{)} \end{array} \right.$$

Example-1:

Consider a rectangular brick have a weight 300N have the following dimensions: $L=2\text{m}$, $W=1\text{m}$, $H=0.2\text{m}$. Calculate the pressure exerted by brick for its three different faces.



$$S = 2 \text{ m} \times 1 \text{ m} = 2 \text{ m}^2$$

$$F = 300 \text{ N}$$

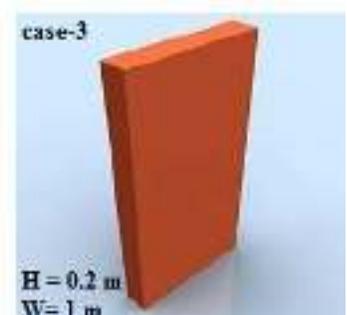
$$P = \frac{300}{2} = 150 \text{ Pa}$$



$$S = 2 \text{ m} \times 0.2 \text{ m} = 0.4 \text{ m}^2$$

$$F = 300 \text{ N}$$

$$P = \frac{300}{0.4} = 750 \text{ Pa}$$



$$S = 1 \text{ m} \times 0.2 \text{ m} = 0.2 \text{ m}^2$$

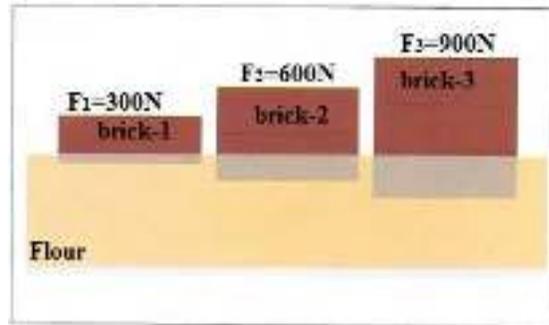
$$F = 300 \text{ N}$$

$$P = \frac{300}{0.2} = 1500 \text{ Pa}$$

- We notice that the face that has smallest surface area have the highest pressure so pressure inversely proportion to surface area at a constant force.

Example-2:

Consider a three rectangular brick have different weights 300N, 600N, 900N have the same surface area $S= 2 \text{ m}^2$ are put on flour. Calculate the pressure exerted by brick for its three different faces.



- For brick -1
 $P_1 = \frac{F_1}{S} = \frac{300}{2} = 150 \text{ pa.}$
- For brick -2
 $P_2 = \frac{F_2}{S} = \frac{600}{2} = 300 \text{ pa.}$
- For brick -3
 $P_3 = \frac{F_3}{S} = \frac{900}{2} = 450 \text{ pa.}$
- We notice that the brick that has highest weight force (brick-3) a have the highest pressure and highest depth in flour, so pressure proportion to pressing force at a constant surface area.

Revision:

- **Density:**

$$\rho = \frac{m}{V} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Or} \\ \rightarrow m = V \times \rho \\ \rightarrow V = \frac{m}{\rho} \end{array} \right. \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho = \text{density (kg/m}^3\text{)} \\ M = \text{mass (Kg)} \\ V = \text{volume (m}^3\text{)} \end{array} \right.$$

- $\rho_{\text{water}} = 1000 \text{ kg/ m}^3 = 1 \text{ g/cm}^3$
 $(\text{g/cm}^3) \xrightarrow{\times 1000} (\text{kg/m}^3)$

- **Volume:**

$$V = S \times H \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} H = \text{height(m)} \\ S = \text{surface area (m}^2\text{)} \\ V = \text{volume(m}^3\text{)} \end{array} \right.$$

- **Mass:**

$$M = V \times \rho \text{ and } V = S \times H \Rightarrow m = S \times H \times \rho$$

- **Rule of some surface area:**

- square $S = a^2$
- rectangle $S = L \times W$
- Circle $S = \pi r^2$

3- Pressure in Liquids.

3.1- Liquid exerts a pressure on all bodies immersed in it. The pressure due to the liquid P_A at a point A at height h in a liquid at rest, and of density ρ is given by following expression:

$$P = \rho \cdot g \cdot h$$

3.2- Derivation of expression is as follow:

$$P = \frac{F}{S} = \frac{m \cdot g}{S} = \frac{\rho \cdot V \cdot g}{S} = \frac{\rho \cdot S \cdot h \cdot g}{S} \Rightarrow P = \rho \cdot g \cdot h$$



$$P = \rho \cdot g \cdot h \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Or} \\ \rightarrow \rho = \frac{P}{g \cdot h} \\ \rightarrow h = \frac{P}{\rho \cdot g} \end{array} \right. \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} p = \text{pressure at point A in (pa)} \\ \rho = \text{density of liquid in (kg/m}^3\text{)} \\ g = \text{gravity in (N/ kg)} \\ h = \text{height of liquid above point A in (m)} \end{array} \right.$$

Note: pressure of liquid can be measure by manometric gauge

3.3- Pressure is proportion to:

- a. As ρ increase, where g and h constant, P increase (density proportion to pressure)
- b. As h increase, where g and ρ constant, P increase. (height proportion to pressure)

Example:

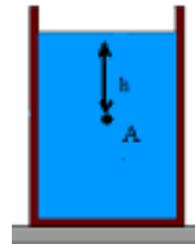
Calculate the pressure due to liquid, at point A inside the closed container.

Given: $\rho_{\text{water}} = 1\text{g/cm}^3$, $g = 10\text{N/kg}$, $h_A = 15\text{cm}$.

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$h_A = 15\text{cm} = 15/100 = 0.15\text{m}$.

$P = \rho \cdot g \cdot h = 1000 \times 10 \times 0.15 = 1500\text{pa}$



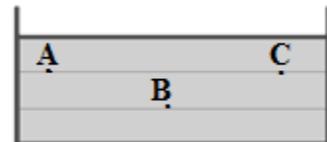
3.4- Pressure at two point in liquid:

In the same liquid and at same horizontal level pressure is the same.

Example-1:

Determine at which points the pressure is the same or different.

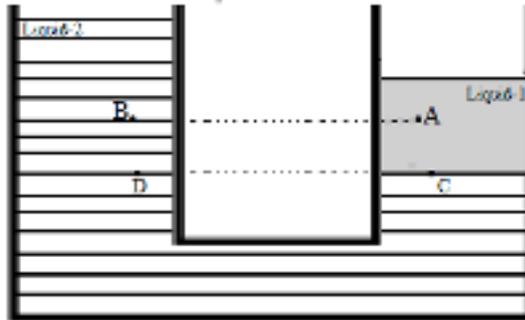
- The two point A and C are in **same horizontal level and in same liquid** so at these two-point pressure is the same ($P_A = P_C$)
- The two point A and B are not in same horizontal level so at these two-point pressure is different ($P_A \neq P_B$).



Example -2:

Consider a two different liquid in a U tube:

Determine at which points the pressure is the same or different.



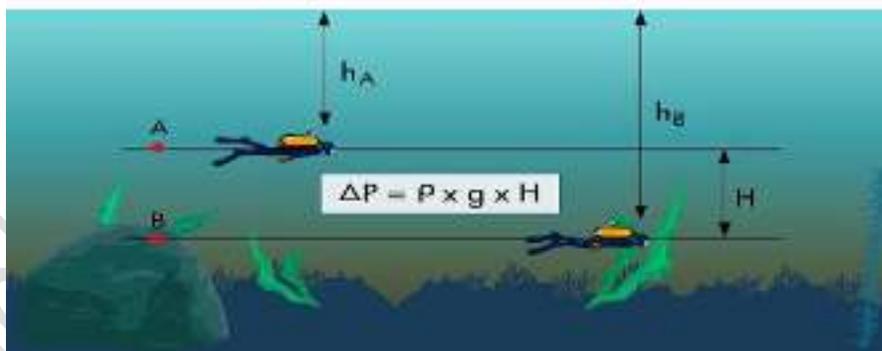
- The two-point C and D are in same horizontal level and in same liquid so the at these two-point pressure is the same ($P_C=P_D$)
- The two-point A and B are in same horizontal level but in different liquids so the at these two-point pressure is different ($P_A \neq P_B$).

3.5- Principle of hydrostatic

The difference of pressure between two points A and B in a liquid at rest is given by the fundamental principle of hydrostatic.

$$\Delta P = P_B - P_A = \rho \times g \times (h_B - h_A) = \rho \times g \times H$$

Where H is the distance between point A and B



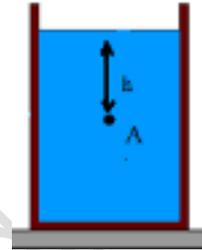
4- Atmospheric pressure:

The only pressure present on surface of a liquid is atmospheric pressure, and the instrument used to measure atmospheric pressure is **Barometer**. knowing that P_{atm} equivalent to pressure of mercury of height 76 cm. ($P_{atm} = P_{Hg}$ of height 76 cm.) so $P_{atm}=103360pa$

5- Total pressure:

The pressure P_A exerted from liquid at point A and also there is a pressure on surface of a liquid that it is contact with air which is atmospheric pressure P_{atm} , so total pressure P_t at point A it given by the following expression:

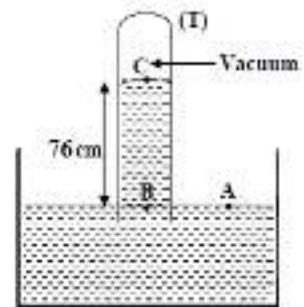
$$P_t = P_A + P_{atm}$$



Example-1:

A group filled the tube (T) completely with mercury of density $\rho_{Hg} = 13600 \text{ kg/m}^3$, then turned it upside down and immersed it in a container containing mercury. The level of the mercury dropped down and settled at 76 cm above the free surface of the mercury that is found in the container. Given $g = 10 \text{ N/kg}$

- 1- What is the value of the pressure P_C at C? Why?
- 2- Determine, in Pascal, the value of the pressure P_{Hg} exerted by mercury at B.
- 3- Determine, in Pascal, the value of the total pressure P_B at B.
- 4- The pressure at A and the pressure at B have the same value. Why?
- 5- Deduce the value of the atmospheric pressure P_{atm} .



solution:

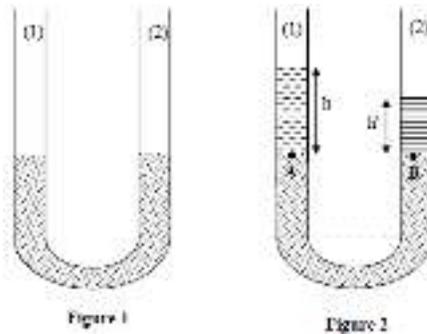
given: $h=76\text{cm}=0.76\text{m}$, $\rho_{Hg} = 13600 \text{ kg/m}^3$, $g = 10 \text{ N/kg}$.

- 1- $P_C = 0\text{pa}$, since above point C there is vacuum and vacuum don't exert any pressure.
- 2- $P_{Hg} = \rho_{Hg} \cdot g \cdot h = 13600 \times 10 \times 0.76 = 103360 \text{ pa}$.
- 3- Above point B there is mercury and vacuum so total pressure at point B is:
 $P_t = P_{Hg} + P_{vacuum}$
 $P_B = P_{Hg} + P_C = 103360 + 0 = 103360 \text{ pa}$.
- 4- The two point A and B are in same horizontal level and in same liquid so the at these two-point pressure is the same ($P_A = P_B$), $P_A = 103360 \text{ pa}$.
- 5- Point A is at surface of liquid so pressure that exerted at point A equal to atmospheric pressure ($P_A = P_{atm}$) $\Rightarrow P_{atm} = 103360 \text{ pa}$.

Example-2:

Consider a U tube containing a certain amount of water (figure 1).

Given: atmospheric pressure: $P_{atm} = 76$ cm of mercury; Density of mercury: $\rho_{Hg} = 13600$ kg/m³ and $g = 10$ N/kg.



- 1- Calculate, in Pa the atmospheric pressure P_{atm} .
- 2- We want to determine the density ρ' of a certain liquid (L) that does not mix with water. For this reason, we pour in branch (1) of the tube an amount of oil to a height $h = 20$ cm and of density $\rho_{oil} = 900$ kg/m³ and in branch (2) a certain amount of (L) to a height $h' = 16$ cm. The surfaces of separation (water-oil) and (water-liquid) are at the same horizontal plane. (Figure 2)
 - a) Determine, in Pa, the value of the pressure P_{oil} at A exerted by oil.
 - b) Determine, in Pa, the value of the total pressure P_A at A.
 - c) Deduce, in Pa, the value of the total pressure at B.
 - d) Give the expression of the total pressure P_B at B as a function of ρ' .
 - e) Deduce the value of ρ' .

solution:

given: $h=76$ cm= 0.76 m, $\rho_{Hg} = 13600$ kg/m³, $g = 10$ N/kg.

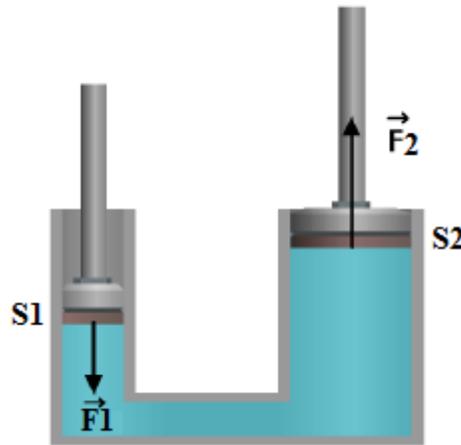
1. $P_{atm} = \rho_{Hg} \cdot g \cdot h = 13600 \times 10 \times 0.76 = 103360$ pa.
2. **Given:** in branch-1 (oil) $h = 20$ cm= 0.2 m, $\rho_{oil} = 900$ kg/m³ in branch-2 (liquid) $h' = 16$ cm= 0.16 m, $\rho' = ?$
 - a) $P_{oil} = \rho_{oil} \cdot g \cdot h = 900 \times 10 \times 0.2 = 1800$ pa.
 - b) above point A there is oil and air so total pressure at point A is:
 $P_A = P_{oil} + P_{atm} = 103360 + 1800 = 105160$ pa.
 - c) The two point A and B are in same horizontal level and in same liquid so the at these two-point pressure is the same ($P_A = P_B$), $P_B = 105160$ pa.
 - d) above point B there is a liquid and air so total pressure at point B is:
 $P_B = P_{liquid} + P_{atm}$
 $= \rho' \cdot g \cdot h' + P_{atm}$
 $= \rho' \times 10 \times 0.16 + 103360$
 $= 1.6 \rho' + 103360$
 - e) $105160 = 1.6 \rho' + 103360$
 $\rho' = (105160 - 103360) / 1.6$
 $= 1125$ kg/m³

5- Pascal's Theorem:

5.1- Definition

Liquid bodies transmit totally to all the points in this liquid and in **all directions and equally** any variation of pressure they undergo.

5.2- Hydraulic press:

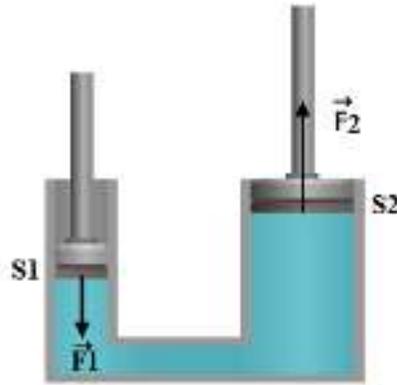


- Before pressing: ($P_A = P_{Atm}$ and $P_B = P_{Atm}$)
- After pressing: ($P_A' = P_{Atm} + \frac{F1}{S1}$ and $P_B' = P_{Atm} + \frac{F2}{S2}$).
- Variation of ΔP :
 - $\Delta P_A = P_A' - P_A = P_{Atm} + \frac{F1}{S1} - P_{Atm} = \frac{F1}{S1}$
 - $\Delta P_B = P_B' - P_B = P_{Atm} + \frac{F2}{S2} - P_{Atm} = \frac{F2}{S2}$
- **But according to pascal's theorem, Liquid must transmit ΔP from A to B, so:**

$$\Delta P_A = \Delta P_B$$
$$\frac{F1}{S1} = \frac{F2}{S2}$$

Example:

A hydraulic jack is used to lift cars. Document below shows the principle on which it works. Suppose that a downward force of magnitude $F_1 = 1\text{N}$ acts on a piston of area $S_1 = 0.01\text{ m}^2$. The area of the other piston is $S_2 = 0.5\text{ m}^2$.



- 1- State pascal's theorem.
- 2- Calculate the variation of pressure ΔP_1 transmitted through the liquid.
- 3- Write down the relation between magnitude of the two forces.
- 4- Determine the magnitude F_2 of the force acting on the other piston due to this variation.

Solution:

Given: $F_1 = 1\text{N}$, $S_1 = 0.01\text{ m}^2$, $S_2 = 0.5\text{ m}^2$.

- 1- Liquid bodies transmit totally to all the points in this liquid and in **all directions and equally** any variation of pressure they undergo.
- 2- $\Delta P_1 = \frac{F_1}{S_1} = \frac{1}{0.01} = 100\text{pa}$
- 3- **According to pascal's theorem, Liquid must transmit same variation ΔP from piston 1 to piston 2, so:**

$$\Delta P_1 = \Delta P_2$$
$$\frac{F_1}{S_1} = \frac{F_2}{S_2}$$

- 4- $\frac{F_1}{S_1} = \frac{F_2}{S_2} \Rightarrow F_2 \times S_1 = F_1 \times S_2 \Rightarrow F_2 = \frac{F_1 \times S_2}{S_1} = \frac{1 \times 0.5}{0.01} = 50\text{N}$