

Fluids

I. Statics

- density, specific gravity
- pressure, Pascal's principle
- buoyancy, Archimedes principle

II. Dynamics

- laminar and turbulent flow
- flow rate and continuity
- Bernoulli's principle and equation

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Fluid Basics

- Matter can exist in various forms – solid, liquid, gas, and plasma.
- The ability to flow is the defining property of a fluid. Gases and liquids can flow and are fluid.
- Liquid fluids are not significantly compressible and maintain a fairly constant volume.
- A gas is fluid in the sense that it can flow but it is readily compressible (or expandable) and its volume can vary significantly depending on circumstance.

Density

For a given type of material in particular conditions the mass per unit volume will tend to be uniform throughout. This observation leads to the concept of density – an intrinsic property of the material.

$$\rho = \frac{m}{V}$$

where: ρ = density

V = a volume of space

m = mass of matter within
that volume

	Density (kg/m ³)	Density (g/cm ³)	Specific Gravity
Helium	0.18	0.00018	0.00018
Air	1.3	0.0013	0.0013
Wood	300 - 900	0.3 – 0.9	0.3 – 0.9
Gasoline	680	0.68	0.68
Ice	917	0.917	0.917
Water	<u>1000</u>	1.00	1.00
Granite	2700	2.7	2.7
Aluminum	2700	2.70	2.70
Iron	7800	7.8	7.8
Lead	11300	11.3	11.3
Mercury	13600	13.6	13.6
Gold	19300	19.3	19.3

Pressure

Pressure is a scalar measure of the amount of force per unit area acting perpendicular to a real or imaginary surface.

$$P = \frac{F}{A}$$

where: P = pressure

A = an area of a surface

F = amount of force acting
perpendicular to the surface

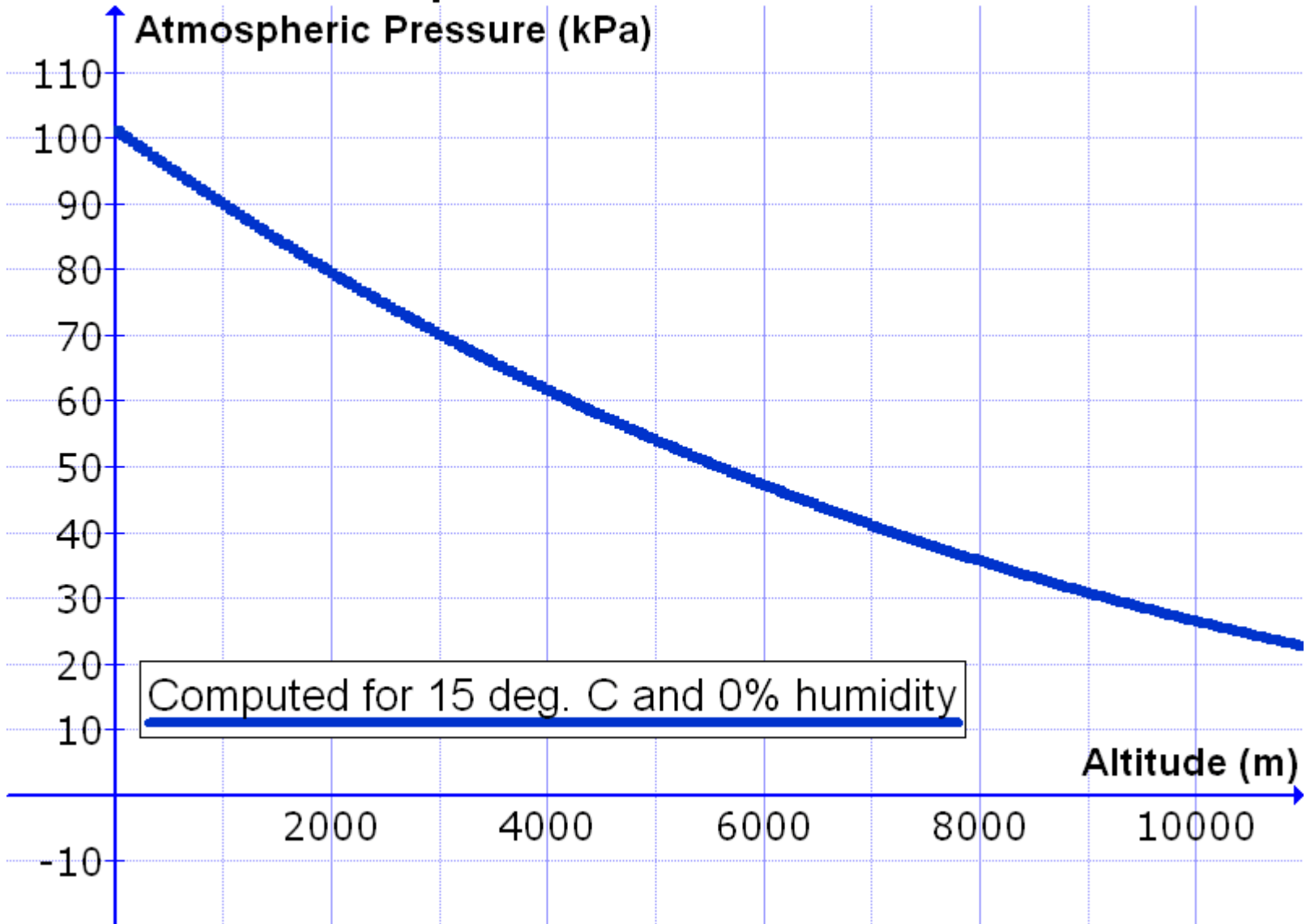
Atmospheric Pressure

- Molecules and atoms in a gaseous state bound by a gravitational field constitute the atmosphere.
- Because these particles are in a constant state of motion there is a force acting on any solid or liquid surface due to the impacts of the atoms and molecules.
- Atmospheric pressure is a measure of the net effect of the gaseous matter impacting and rebounding off of any exposed surface.

Pressure Units

- the Pascal: $1 \text{ Pa} = 1 \text{ N/m}^2$
- the bar: $1 \text{ bar} = 100000 \text{ Pa}$
- pounds per square inch: $1 \text{ psi} = 1 \text{ lbf/in}^2$
- millimeters of mercury: $1 \text{ mm-Hg} = 133 \text{ Pa}$
- the torr: $1 \text{ torr} = 1 \text{ mm-Hg}$
- the atmosphere:
 $1 \text{ atm} = 101.3 \text{ kPa}$
 $1 \text{ atm} = 14.7 \text{ psi}$
 $1 \text{ atm} = 760 \text{ torr}$

Atmospheric Pressure vs. Altitude





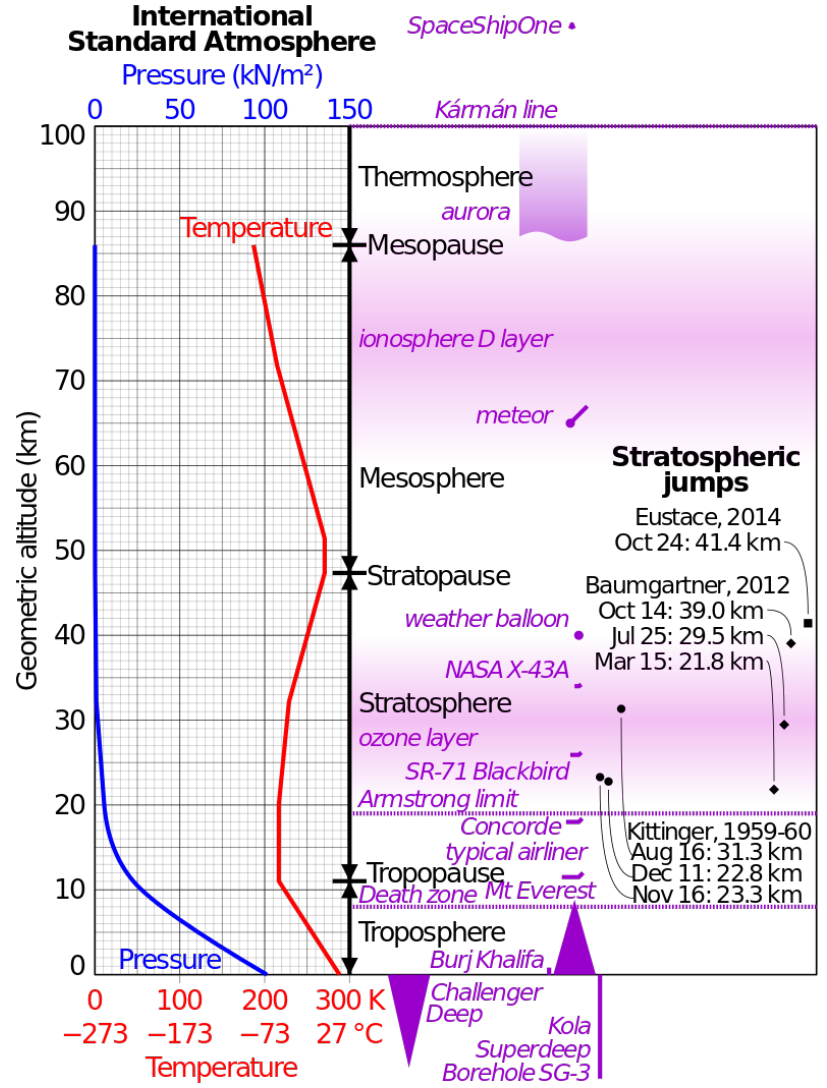
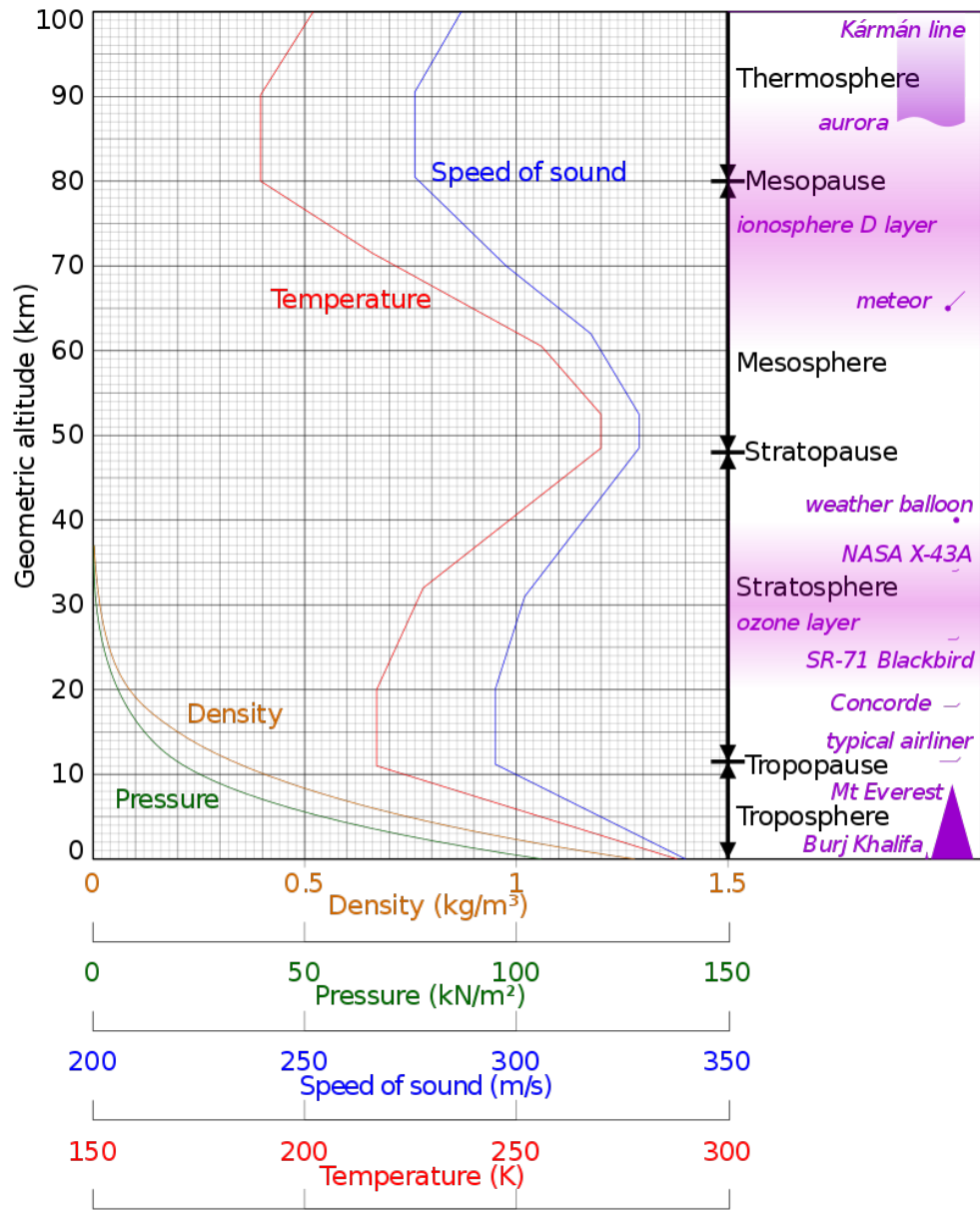
14000 ft



9000 ft



1000 ft



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Pressure Activity

- Work with a partner. Connect two syringes of unequal diameter with a piece of tubing.
- Does moving one plunger cause the other to move? One person hold their plunger in place while the other moves their plunger.
- Add a couple of milliliters of water inside the syringes and the tubing and remove all air (figure it out!) so that only water is enclosed.
- Repeat the experiments above. Compare the amount of force and distance moved on each side. Can you explain?

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Fluid Statics

- Although the matter is always in motion on the atomic level, if there is no flow or organized motion a fluid is at rest and it is a system of mass at equilibrium.
- Static fluids have various important properties. If fluid motion is slow and steady the same properties may be reasonably assumed true.
- Pascal's principle states that a certain amount of pressure applied to a confined fluid increases the pressure throughout the fluid by the same amount.

Compressibility

- Gases that undergo a change in pressure can have a drastically altered volume and are said to be **compressible**. Increased pressure reduces volume and the gas is compressed in size.
- Liquids that undergo a change in pressure will show an extremely small change in volume – usually insignificant. For this reason liquids are usually assumed to be **incompressible**. Changes in pressure have no perceptible effect on the volume and it remains essentially constant.

Absolute vs. Gauge Pressure

- Because the atmosphere is all around us its pressure is a constant “presence”.
- In many situations what matters is the *difference* from this atmospheric “norm”.
- A pressure gauge such as that for measuring a tire has a mechanism that responds to the difference of pressure within the tire to that out side of the tire – this is called “gauge pressure”.
- “Absolute pressure” includes the effect of atmosphere – often found by adding gauge pressure to atmospheric pressure.

Pressure vs. Gravity

Pressure within a fluid relates to gravity and depth. The increase in pressure is directly proportional to density of the fluid and depth:

$$P = P_0 + \rho gh$$

$$\Delta P = \rho gh$$

where: P = absolute pressure at depth h

P_0 = pressure at surface

ρ = density of fluid

g = gravitational field strength

h = depth

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Archimedes Principle & Buoyancy

- Anything in a fluid experiences a force related to the fluid's pressure and the area of contact.
- A floating object on the surface is held up by this force called buoyancy.
- By Archimedes principle, the volume of water displaced by a floating object has a mass equal to that of the object.
- If an object is submerged there is still a force of buoyancy, whether it floats or not.
- The force of buoyancy is the net force of a fluid acting on an object in a static situation.

Buoyancy

An object in a fluid experiences a force of buoyancy related to the density of the fluid, volume, and gravitational field strength:

$$F_b = \rho V g$$

where: F_b = force of buoyancy

ρ = density of fluid

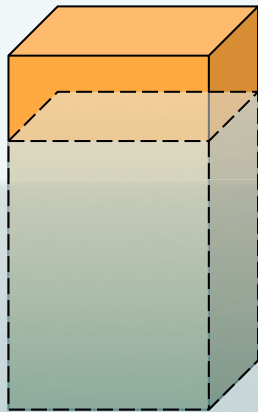
V = volume of displaced fluid

g = gravitational field strength

Understanding the “displaced volume”:

$$F_b = \rho V g$$

$$V = ?$$



floating object:
 $V =$ only the
volume below
the surface

submerged object:
 $V =$ entire volume
of object

