

3.6] The value for the absolute pressure will always be greater than that for gage pressure.

TRUE $P_{abs} = P_{gage} + P_{atm}$
 P_{atm} is always positive

3.7] As long as you stay on the surface of Earth, the atmospheric pressure will be 14.7 psia.

FALSE P_{atm} depends on height above sea level. The P_{atm} in Denver, CO is lower than P_{atm} in Norfolk, VA

3.8] The pressure in a certain tank is -55.8 Pa (abs)

FALSE P_{abs} can not be below zero. Zero absolute pressure is a perfect vacuum.

3.9] The pressure in a tank is -4.65 psig.

TRUE $P_{abs} = 14.7 \text{ psia} - 4.65 \text{ psig}$
 $P_{abs} > 0$

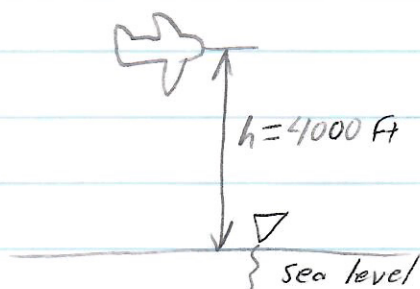
3.10] The pressure in a tank is -150 kPa (gage)

FALSE $P_{abs} = 101.3 \text{ kPa (atm)} - 150 \text{ kPa (gage)}$
 $P_{abs} < 0$ which is not possible.

3.11) If you were to ride in an open cockpit airplane at an elevation of 4000 ft above sea level, what would P_{atm} be?

Purpose Compute the atmospheric pressure at 4000 ft

Drawing



Data Fluid = air

$h = \text{elevation above sea level} = 4000 \text{ ft}$

Procedure We will solve this problem by referencing the air properties table in the back of the book.
Appendix E / Table E.3

@ 4000 ft, $P_{atm} = 12.7 \text{ psia}$

3.13) Expressed as gage pressure, what is the pressure at the surface of a glass of milk?

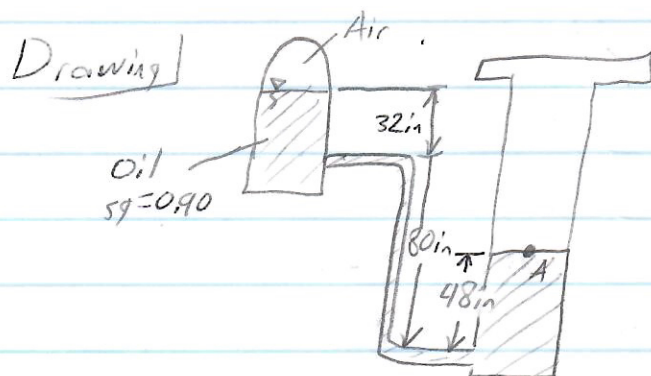
At any fluid surface that is open to atmosphere,

$$P_{abs} = P_{atm}$$

$$P_{gage} = P_{abs} - P_{atm} \text{ so } P_{gage} = 0$$

3.41) The figure shows an elevated tank that is used to pressurize a lift cylinder. Calculate P_{air} to make $P_A = 180 \text{ psig}$.

Purpose | Compute the required air pressure.



Design Considerations | Incompressible fluid
Isothermal process

Data + Variables | $sg(\text{oil}) = 0.90$

$$P_A = 180 \text{ psig}$$

$h = \text{from drawing}$

Procedure | Move from P_A to P_{air} with the equation

$$\Delta P = \gamma h.$$

Calcs | $P_A = \gamma(-4.0 \text{ ft}) + \gamma(6.66 \text{ ft}) + \gamma(2.66 \text{ ft}) + P_{air}$

$$\gamma_{oil} = 0.90 \cdot \gamma_{water} = 0.90 \cdot 62.4 \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{ft}^3} = 56.2 \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{ft}^3}$$

Plug in values:

$$180 \text{ psig} = 56.2 \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{ft}^3} (-4.0 \text{ ft} + 6.66 \text{ ft} + 2.66 \text{ ft}) + P_{air}$$

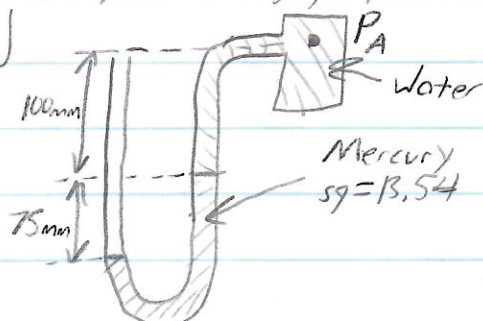
$$180 \text{ psig} = 56.2 \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{ft}^3} \cdot 5.33 \text{ ft} + P_{air}$$

$$180 - 299.5 \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{ft}^2} \left(\frac{1 \text{ ft}^2}{144 \text{ in}^2} \right) = P_{air} = 177.9 \text{ psig}$$

3.62) Water is shown in a pipe. Calculate P_A in kPa(gage)

Purpose Compute the gage pressure of P_A

Drawing



Design Considerations Incompressible and isothermal

Data and variables $sg(Hg) = 13.54$

Distances in drawing

Procedure Trace from P_A to P_{atm} with $\Delta p = \rho gh$

Calculations

$$P_A + \rho_{\text{water}} (0.1m) + \rho_{Hg} (0.075m) = P_{atm} = 0 \text{ kPa(gage)}$$

$$P_A + 9.81 \frac{\text{kN}}{\text{m}^3} (0.1m) + (13.5)(9.81 \frac{\text{kN}}{\text{m}^3})(0.075m) = 0$$

$$P_A + 0.981 \text{ kPa} + 9.93 \text{ kPa} = 0$$

$$P_A = -10.91 \text{ kPa(gage)}$$

Summary The pressure at $P_A = -10.91 \text{ kPa(gage)}$

Analysis The water pressure at P_A is less than P_{atm} .

3.83 | A barometer indicates P_{atm} to be equal to 30.65 in of mercury. Calculate the P_{atm} in psia.

Procedure | Use $P_{\text{atm}} = \gamma_{\text{hg}} h$ to solve

$$\gamma_{\text{hg}} = 848.7 \text{ lb/ft}^3$$

Calcs | $P_{\text{atm}} = 848.7 \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{ft}^3} \cdot 30.65 \text{ in} \cdot \frac{1 \text{ ft}^3}{1728 \text{ in}^3}$

$$P_{\text{atm}} = 15.05 \text{ psia}$$

3.90 | The pressure in a vacuum chamber is -68.2 kPa . Express this in mm Hg.

Procedure | Use $P_{\text{gag}} = \gamma_{\text{hg}} h$ to solve

$$\gamma_{\text{hg}} = 133.3 \text{ kN/m}^3$$

Calcs | $h = \frac{-68.2 \text{ kPa}}{133.3 \frac{\text{kN}}{\text{m}^3}} = 0.511 \text{ m}$

$$h = -0.511 \text{ m} \left(\frac{1000 \text{ mm}}{1 \text{ m}} \right)$$

$$h = -511 \text{ mm}$$

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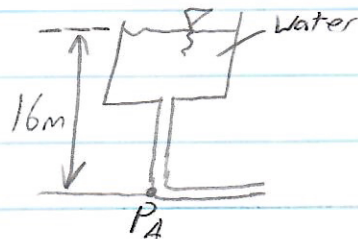
A solar heater is to be installed on the roof of a building. The tank is open to atmosphere and 16m above ground level. In a static state, what gage pressure must the plumbing at ground level be able to handle?

Purpose | Solve P_{gage} at 0m elevation

Considerations | Incompressible fluid

Procedure | Use $P = \gamma h$ to solve

Drawing |



Calcs | $\Delta P = \gamma h + P_{\text{atm}}$

$$\Delta P = 9.81 \frac{\text{kN}}{\text{m}^3} \cdot 16\text{m}$$

$$\Delta P = 157.0 \text{ kPa (gage)}$$

Summary | The pressure at ground level is 157.0 kPa (gage)

Analysis | The pressure at any point in the fluid only depends on the fluid column height and the specific weight of the fluid.