

Fluid Mechanics HW #2

Ch3

⑥ The value for the absolute pressure will always be greater than that for the gage pressure. TRUE

⑦ As long as you stay on the surface of Earth, the atmospheric pressure will be 14.7 psia. False

→ The pressure will be different when you travel from a coastal city (14.7 psi) to a mountain town (10 psi).

⑧/⑨ The pressure in a certain tank is -55.8 Pa (abs).
False → An absolute pressure will always be positive because a perfect vacuum is the lowest possible pressure.

⑩ The pressure in a certain tank is -150 kPa (gage).
False → The lowest possible pressure is -101 kPa (gage).

⑪ If you were to ride in an open-cockpit airplane to an elevation of 4000 ft above sea level, what would the atmospheric pressure be if it conforms to the standard atmosphere?

$$\Delta p = \gamma h$$

$$h = 4000 \text{ ft}$$

$$\gamma = 12.01 \text{ N/m}^3 \text{ [Appendix E]}$$

$$\Delta p = 12.01 \frac{\text{N}}{\text{m}^3} (1219.1405 \text{ ft})$$

$$3.281 \text{ ft} = 1 \text{ m} \text{ [Appendix K]}$$

$$\Delta p = 14641.8774 \text{ N/m}^2$$

$$4000 \text{ ft} \cdot \frac{1 \text{ m}}{3.281 \text{ ft}} \approx 1219.1405 \text{ m}$$

$$p_{\text{atm}} = 14.7 \text{ psia}, 101 \text{ kPa (absolute)}$$

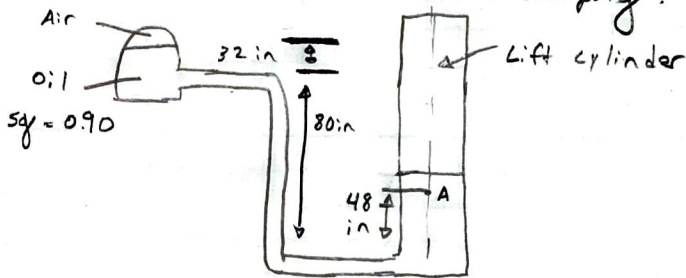
$$\Delta p = 101,000 \text{ Pa} - 14641.8774 \text{ Pa} = 86,358.1226 \text{ Pa}$$

$$86.36 \text{ kPa (absolute)}$$

⑬ Expressed as a gage pressure, what is the pressure at the surface of a glass of milk?

$$0 \text{ Pa (gage)}$$

41. The figure shows a diagram of the hydraulic system for a vehicle lift. An air compressor maintains pressure above the oil in the reservoir. What must the air pressure be if the pressure at point A must be at least 180 psig?



$$\Delta p = \gamma h$$

$$\Delta p = 8.829 \text{ kN/m}^2 (1.6256 \text{ m})$$

$$\Delta p = 14.3524 \text{ kN/m}^2$$

$$h = 80 \text{ in} - 48 \text{ in} + 32 \text{ in}$$

$$= 64 \text{ in} = 1.6256 \text{ m}$$

$$sg = \frac{\gamma_{oil}}{\gamma_{water @ 4^\circ\text{C}}} \text{ (Appendix A)}$$

$$\gamma_{oil} = sg (\gamma_{water @ 4^\circ\text{C}})$$

$$= 0.90 (9.81 \text{ kN/m}^3)$$

$$= 8.829 \text{ kN/m}^3$$

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

$$= 1241.0563 \text{ kPa (gage)}$$

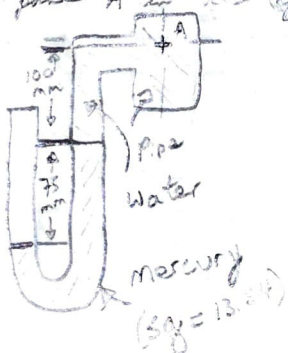
$$P_A - \Delta p = P_{air}$$

$$1241.0563 \text{ kPa} - 14.3524 \text{ kPa}$$

$$P_{air} = 1226.7039 \text{ kPa (gage)}$$

$$1226.70 \text{ kPa (gage)}$$

62. Water is in the pipe shown. Calculate the pressure at point A in kPa (gage).



$$\Delta p = \gamma h$$

$$\Delta p = 132.8274 \frac{\text{kN}}{\text{m}^2} (0.075 \text{ m})$$

$$= 9.9621 \text{ kN/m}^2$$

$$\Delta p = 7.81 \frac{\text{kN}}{\text{m}^2} (0.1 \text{ m})$$

$$= 0.981 \text{ kN/m}^2$$

$$sg = \frac{\gamma_{mercury}}{\gamma_{water @ 4^\circ\text{C}}} \text{ (Appendix A)}$$

$$\gamma_{mercury} = 13.54 (9.81 \frac{\text{kN}}{\text{m}^3})$$

$$\gamma_{mercury} = 132.8274 \frac{\text{kN}}{\text{m}^3}$$

$$(-9.9621 \text{ kPa}) + (-0.981 \text{ kPa})$$

$$= -10.9431 \text{ kPa (gage)}$$

83. A barometer indicates the atmospheric pressure to be 30.65 in of mercury. Calculate the atmospheric pressure in psia.

$$p_{atm} = \gamma h$$

$$\gamma_{\text{mercury}} = 848.7 \text{ #/ft}^3$$

$$p_{atm} = 848.7 \frac{\text{#}}{\text{ft}^3} (2.5542 \text{ ft}) \quad h = 30.65 \text{ in} \left(\frac{1 \text{ ft}}{12 \text{ in}} \right)$$

$$p_{atm} = 2167.7495 \text{ #/ft}^2 = 2.5542 \text{ ft}$$

$$= 2167.75 \text{ #/ft}^2$$

$$= \boxed{15.0538 \text{ psia}}$$

90. The pressure in a vacuum chamber is -68.2 kPa. Express the pressure in mmHg.

$$p = \gamma h$$

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

$$-68.2 \text{ kPa} = 133.3 \frac{\text{kPa}}{\text{m}} h$$

$$\frac{-68.2 \text{ kPa}}{133.3 \text{ kPa/m}} = h$$

$$h = -0.51163 \text{ m} = \boxed{-511.63 \text{ mmHg}}$$

94. A passive solar water heater is to be installed on the roof of a multi-story building. The heater tank is open to atmospheric pressure and is mounted 16 m above the ground level. On the static (non-flowing state), what gage pressure, in kPa, must the plumbing line be designed to withstand if it is connected all the way down to ground level?

$$\Delta p = \gamma h$$

$$\gamma = 9.81 \text{ kN/m}^3 \text{ [Appendix A]}$$

$$\Delta p = 9.81 \text{ kN/m}^3 (16 \text{ m}) \quad h = 16 \text{ m}$$

$$\Delta p = \boxed{156.96 \text{ kPa (gage)}}$$