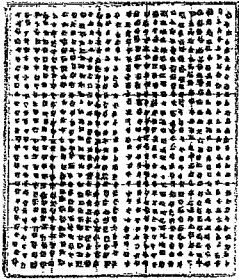
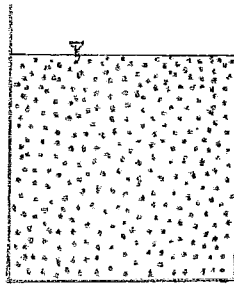


# Fluids

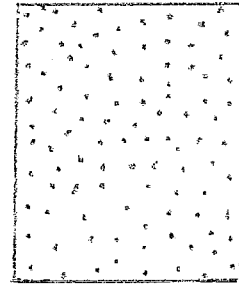
## States of Matter



Solid



Liquid

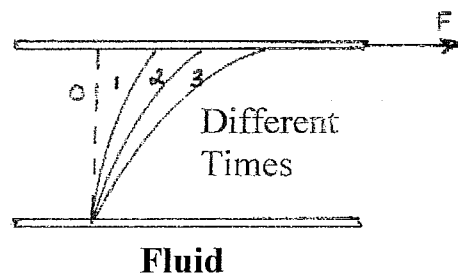
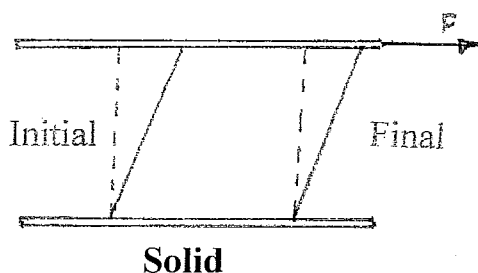


Gas

## Fluid: Liquid, Gas or Mixture

**A fluid is a substance which can move and flow and in which there can be relative motions or distortions.**

**A fluid is a substance which continually deforms under the action of a shear force. Deformations are permanent.**



# **Fluid Mechanics**

**The study of motion and forces in a fluid.**

**Fluid flows involve:**

**Fluid properties:**

**Density**

**Pressure**

**Temperature**

**Composition**

**Geometry:**

**Objects in the flow**

**Domain of the flow field**

**Kinematics:**

**Displacements**

**Particle Trajectories**

**Velocity**

**Acceleration**

**Forces:**

**Inertia**

**Pressure**

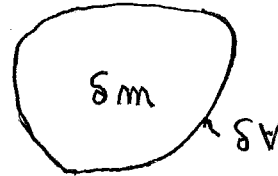
**Gravity**

**Friction**

# Density

**Density** = mass per unit volume  $= \rho = \frac{\delta m}{\delta V}$

Units =  $kg/m^3$



**Specific Weight** = weight per unit volume  $= \gamma = \frac{\delta w}{\delta V}$

Units =  $N/m^3$        $N = kg \cdot m/s^2$

$w = mg$  and  $\gamma = \rho g$  where  $g = 9.82 m/s^2$

Air at standard sea

level conditions:  $\rho = 1.22 kg/m^3$      $\gamma = 12.0 N/m^3$

Water at  $20^\circ C$ :  $\rho = 998 kg/m^3$      $\gamma = 9800 N/m^2$

**Specific Gravity** = weight of a fluid relative  
to that of water

$$s.g. = \frac{\gamma_{fluid}}{\gamma_{water}}$$

**For gasoline**  $\gamma = 6680 N/m^3$  and **s.g. = 0.682**

# Continuum

For  $\rho = \rho(x, y, z)$  
$$\rho = \lim_{\Delta V \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta m}{\Delta V}$$

For  $\Delta V < \Delta V^*$  in a real fluid there is not sufficient number of molecules in  $\Delta V$  to obtain a stable value of density.

**Continuum Model:** For  $\Delta V < \Delta V^*$  the volume is filled with material, there are no holes or voids. The molecular makeup is ignored and the material is continuous.

Valid if a small volume  $\Delta V^*$

- contains enough molecules to define the density
- the volume size  $\sqrt[3]{\Delta V^*} \ll L$ ,  
where  $L$  is a dimension in the flow field.

Instead of  $\sqrt[3]{\Delta V^*}$  we use  $\lambda$ , the mean free path.

Knudsen number  $= \frac{\lambda}{L} < 0.001$  for a continuum

Continuum model is ok for liquids and for gases if the pressure is not too low or the dimension not too small. Not valid in the upper reaches of the atmosphere, or in vacuum equipment and micro-channels.

# ENGINEERING APPLICATIONS

## Power & Thrust

Reciprocating Engines

Jet Engine

Rocket Engine

## Fluid Machinery

Pumps

Turbines

Compressors

## Heating, Ventilation, & Air Conditioning

Fans

Blowers

Heat Exchangers

## Aerodynamics

Airplanes

Automobiles

## Flow/Fluid Measuring Devices

# WHY STUDY FLUID MECHANICS

**SCIENCE:** Study the fundamentals and the phenomena of fluids and fluid motions.

Examples: Chaos, Turbulence, Microgravity, etc.

**Engineering:** Apply the principles of fluid mechanics to practical problems.

Examples: Lift and drag on a wing, power from a turbine, thrust from a rocket, etc.

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