

Revealing Facts of Hydrodynamic Pressure: Law of Isotropic Pressure

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Abstract: The channel flow, pipeline flow, flow of water in pumps to reach the water to the water tank on the top of the roof, ship hull design, oceanography, hydropower system and many other systems and branches of fluid mechanics which deals with the study of moving fluids are working on the base of the law of hydrodynamic pressure. The law could be stated by the three main equations i-e $p=p_x$, $p=p_y$ and $p=p_z$. Taking pressures p_x, p_y, p_z in YZ, ZX and XY planes after that applying Newton's second law of motion and using the volume of Tetrahedron we can easily conclude the pressure acting along the force F_x, F_y and F_z . The manuscript describes the effect of these forces in presence of pressure on moving fluids.

Introduction:

Hydrodynamics is a branch of fluid mechanics in which the flow of incompressible fluids is discussed in motion. "The pressure due to the random motion of molecules, these molecules exerts a pressure on fluid which is called Hydrodynamic pressure". The foundational axioms of dynamic pressure are based on conservation law of mass, conservation of linear momentum (Newton's second law of motion), and conservation law of energy. Leidenfrost has a great contribution to understand the hydrodynamic pressure. After Leidenfrost, Kistemaker studied the phenomena⁵ and he edit the experiments and research of Leidenfrost. The marine engineers and architectures work on the hydrodynamic pressure and have designed the bodies of ships and boats \ The pressure exhibits a wide spectrum of applications and is responsible for the flight of aircrafts into air (Figure 1).

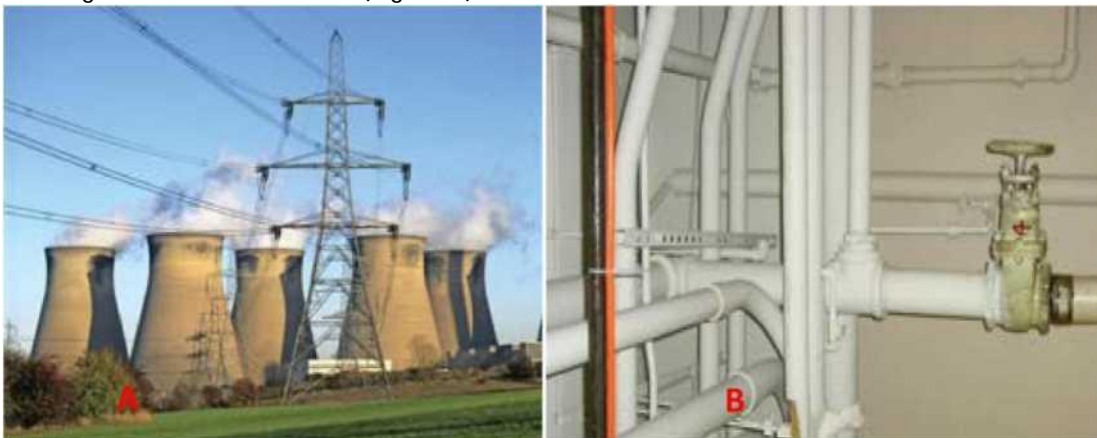




Figure 1: Some important applications of the Law of Hydrodynamic Pressure. The pressure plays a key role in power plants (A), piping an plumbing system (B) and wind turbines (C).

Studies of hydrodynamic pressure have given rise to Law of Hydrodynamic Pressure, which is equally applicable in fluid dynamics as well as in aerodynamics. In fact, the basic concepts of Aerodynamics are taken from Hydrodynamics e.g. the flow of air over the wings of an aircraft or over the surface of an automobile^{2, 3}. The laminar and turbulent flow is also based upon hydrodynamic pressure which is ver important with respect to the shapes of ships and aircrafts (Figure 2). Moreover, hydrodynamic pressure has wide uses in the field of pharmacy and medical such as causes and cure of blood pressure⁴. Whenever we will talk about the air pressure or water pressure we must have to know the concepts of hydrodynamic pressure in detail. This manuscript describes the details of Law of hydrodynamic pressure in a simple way.



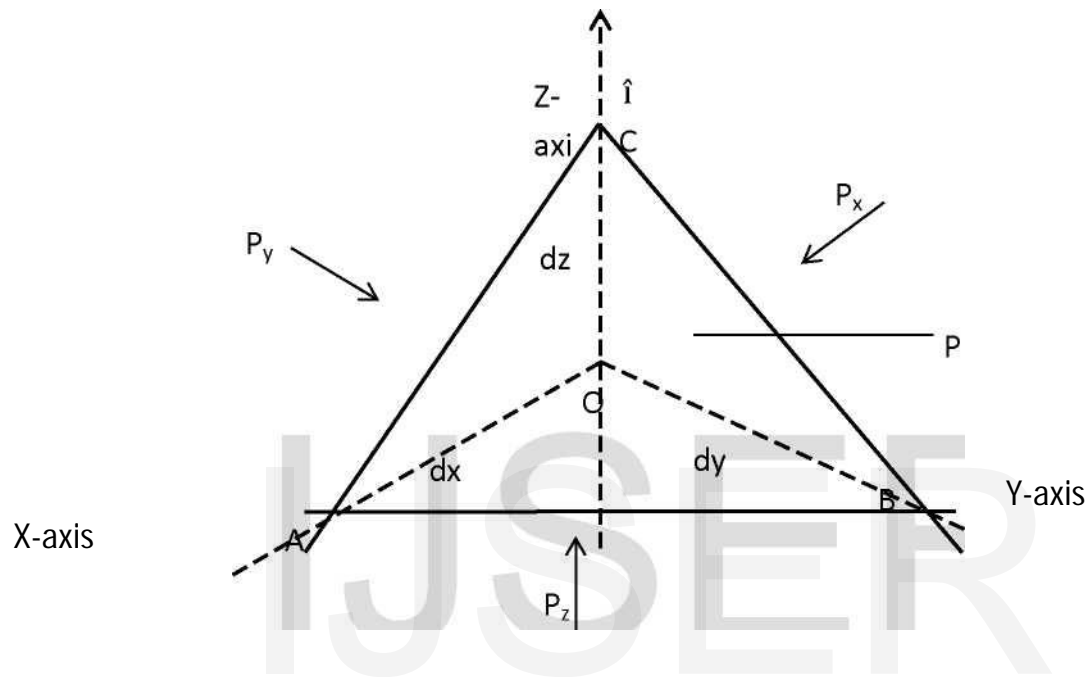
Figure 2: Showing the objects i-e (A) Boats, (B) Aircrafts and (C) Wind blades, which are designed by considering hydrodynamic pressure.

Key words:

Pressure, dynamics, gravitational forces, volume of tetrahedron.

Mathematical form:

Consider the motion of an inviscid fluid in the form of tetrahedron OABC. Let the fluid moving with velocity V and let its density be ρ .



The Normal vector to side ABC is

$$AB \times AC \quad (1)$$

In triangle OAB

$$OA + AB = OB$$

$$dxi + AB = dyj$$

$$AB = dyj - dxi$$

In triangle OAC

$$OA + AC = OC$$

$$dxi + AC = dzk$$

Put in equation (1)

$$AB \times AC = (dyj - dxi) \times (dzk - dxi)$$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} \times \overrightarrow{AC} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ -dx & dy & 0 \\ -dx & 0 & dz \end{vmatrix} = (dydz)\hat{i} - (-dx dz)\hat{j} + (dxdy)\hat{k}$$

Let p_x, p_y, p_z & p be the pressure per unit area on the faces $\overrightarrow{OBC}, \overrightarrow{OAC}, \overrightarrow{OAB}$ & \overrightarrow{ABC} respectively.

$$P = F/A \quad \Rightarrow \quad p_x A_x = F_x$$

$$p_y = F_y/A_y \quad \Rightarrow \quad F_y = p_y A_y$$

$$P = F/A \quad \Rightarrow \quad F = pA$$

Area of triangle OBC, OAC, OAB & ABC are

$$A_x = 1/2 dydz$$

$$A_y = 1/2 dxdy$$

$$A = 1/2 (\overrightarrow{AB} \times \overrightarrow{AC})$$

$$A = 1/2 (dxdz\hat{i} + dx dz\hat{j} + dxdy\hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow F_x = p_x (1/2 dydz)$$

$$\Rightarrow F_y = p_y (1/2 dxdz)$$

$$\Rightarrow F_z = p_z (1/2 dxdy)$$

$$F = p 1/2 (dydz\hat{i} + dx dz\hat{j} + dxdy\hat{k})$$

Now

$$F = F_x \hat{i} + F_y \hat{j} + F_z \hat{k}$$

$$1/2 p (dydz\hat{i} + dx dz\hat{j} + dxdy\hat{k}) = 1/2 p_x dydz\hat{i} + 1/2 p_y dx dz\hat{j} + 1/2 p_z dxdy\hat{k}$$

$$1/2 p dydz\hat{i} + 1/2 p dx dz\hat{j} + 1/2 p dxdy\hat{k} - 1/2 p_x dydz\hat{i} - 1/2 p_y dx dz\hat{j} - 1/2 p_z dxdy\hat{k} = 0$$

$$1/2 (p - p_x) dydz\hat{i} + 1/2 (p - p_y) dx dz\hat{j} + 1/2 (p - p_z) dxdy\hat{k} = 0$$

Due to these forces the fluid element may be subjected to the body forces (gravitational forces).

Let \vec{F} be the body forces per unit mass within tetrahedron.

The volume of tetrahedron is:

$$V = 1/6 (dxdydz)$$

The total force acting on tetrahedron is $\vec{F}.m$

$$\vec{F}.m = 1/2 (p - p_x) dydz\hat{i} + 1/2 (p - p_y) dx dz\hat{j} + 1/2 (p - p_z) dxdy\hat{k} + \vec{F}.m$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(p - p_x) dydz\hat{i} + \frac{1}{2}(p - p_y) dx dz\hat{j} + \frac{1}{2}(p - p_z) dx dy\hat{k} + \vec{F}\rho v$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(p - p_x) dydz\hat{i} + \frac{1}{2}(p - p_y) dx dz\hat{j} + \frac{1}{2}(p - p_z) dx dy\hat{k} + \vec{F}\rho dx dy dz$$

Newton's second law of motion⁴

$$\vec{F} = \overline{m\vec{a}}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(p - p_x) dydz\hat{i} + \frac{1}{2}(p - p_y) dx dz\hat{j} + \frac{1}{2}(p - p_z) dx dy\hat{k} + \frac{1}{6}\vec{F}\rho dx dy dz = \rho v dv/dt$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(p - p_x) dydz\hat{i} + \frac{1}{2}(p - p_y) dx dz\hat{j} + \frac{1}{2}(p - p_z) dx dy\hat{k} = \frac{1}{6}\rho dx dy dz dv/dt$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(p - p_x) dydz\hat{i} + \frac{1}{2}(p - p_y) dx dz\hat{j} + \frac{1}{2}(p - p_z) dx dy\hat{k} = \frac{1}{6}\rho dx dy dz dv/dt - \frac{1}{6}\vec{F}\rho dx dy dz$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}\rho (dv/dt - \vec{F}) dx dy dz$$

Comparing coefficients of "x" components

$$\frac{1}{2}(p - p_x) dydz = \frac{1}{6}\rho (dv_x/dt - F_x)$$

As $dx \rightarrow 0$

$$\frac{1}{2}(p - p_x) = 0$$

$$p - p_x = 0$$

Similarly comparing the coefficients of 'y' & 'z', we get,

$$p - p_y = 0$$

$$p - p_z = 0$$

Hence,

$$\Rightarrow p = p_x$$

$$\Rightarrow p = p_y$$

$$\Rightarrow p = p_z$$

Conclusion:

Equations (A), (B) and (C) show that the pressure due to random motion of molecules is equal to the pressure that molecules of the moving body exerts upon the fluid.

$$p = p_x \text{ (A)}$$

$$p = p_y \text{ (B)}$$

$$p = p_z \text{ (C)}$$

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