

Lecture 3: Isostacy

Logistics: Office hours

Mon 12-1 pm

Tue 4-5 pm

Wed 1-2 pm

Last time: - Center of volume & mass

$$\underline{x}_v = \frac{1}{V} \int_B \underline{x} dV, \quad \underline{x}_m = \frac{1}{M} \int_B \rho \underline{x} dV$$

- review momentum

$$\underline{L} = m \underline{v} \quad \& \quad \underline{j} = (\underline{x} - \underline{z}) \times \underline{L}$$

- force & torque

$$\underline{f} = \frac{d\underline{L}}{dt} = m \underline{a} \quad \& \quad \underline{\tau} = \frac{d\underline{j}}{dt} = (\underline{x} - \underline{z}) \times \underline{f}$$

- body forces & surface forces

Examples: Weight & Buoyancy

- traction (\underline{t}) ($\underline{t} = -p \hat{n}$)

- Hydrostatic Eqbm:

$$\underline{f} = \underline{f}_G + \underline{f}_B = (m_b = m_f) \underline{g} = \underline{c}$$

Today: - Isostacy

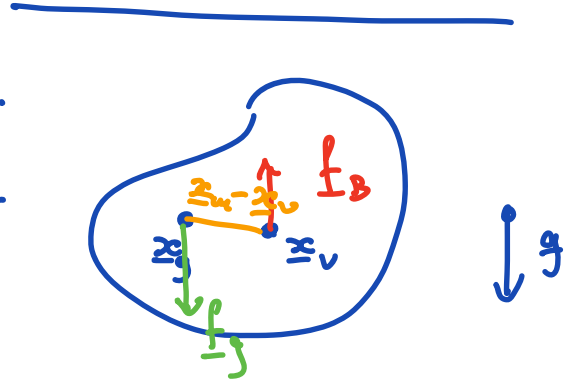
- Index notation

Hydrostatic force balance

$$\underline{\tau}_G = \underline{x}_m \times m_B \underline{g} \quad \text{mom. grav.}$$

$$\underline{\tau}_B = -\underline{x}_v \times m_f \underline{g} \quad \text{mom. buoy.}$$

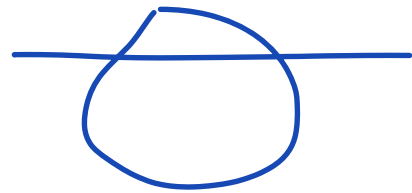
$$\text{Hydrost.: eqbm} \quad m_B = m_f \equiv m$$



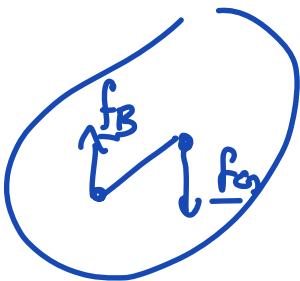
Total torque:

$$\underline{\tau} = \underline{\tau}_G + \underline{\tau}_B = \underline{x}_m \times m \underline{g} - \underline{x}_v \times m \underline{g}$$

$$\underline{\tau} = (\underline{x}_m - \underline{x}_v) \times m \underline{g}$$

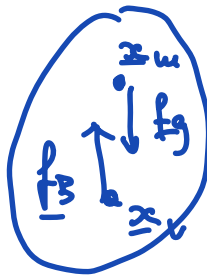


Stability of submerged body



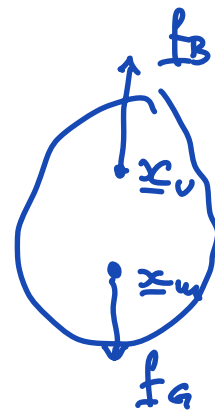
$$\underline{\tau} \neq 0$$

unstable



$$\underline{\tau} = 0$$

meta stable



$$\underline{\tau} = 0$$

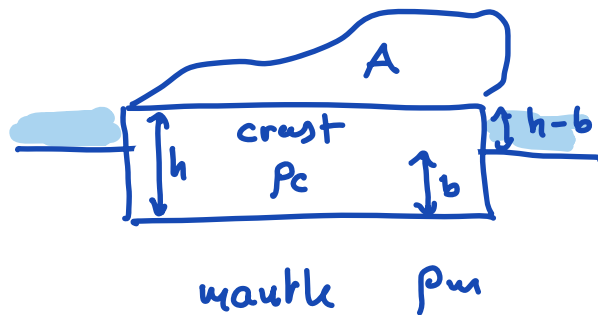
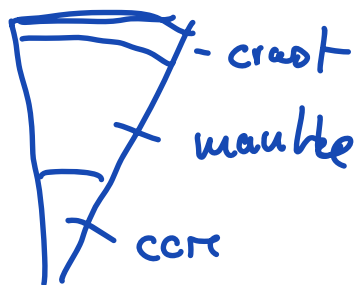
stable

\Rightarrow hydrostatic stability

Isostasy

Application of hydrostatic eqn to Earth.

$$\rho_c < \rho_m < \rho_{\text{oce}}$$



Force balance: $\underline{F} = \underline{F}_A + \underline{F}_B = (m_c - m_m) g = 0$

mass of crust: $m_c = \rho_c h A$

mass of disp. mantle: $m_m = \rho_m b A$

$$m_c = m_m \quad \rho_c h A = \rho_m b A$$

$$b = \frac{\rho_c}{\rho_m} h$$

depth of ocean: $h - b = \left(1 - \frac{\rho_c}{\rho_m}\right) h$

Example: $h \sim 35 \text{ km}$

$$\rho_c \sim 2750 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}$$

$$\rho_m \sim 3500 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}$$

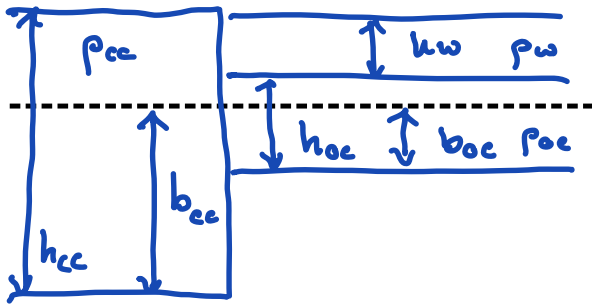
mean

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \rho_c \sim 2750 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3} \\ \rho_m \sim 3500 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3} \end{array} \right\} \frac{\rho_c}{\rho_m} \sim 0.83$$

$$\Rightarrow h - b = 5.8 \text{ km}$$

Observed depth of ocean $\sim 4 \text{ km}$

More realistic model includes oceanic crust & water.



$$\rho_{oc} \sim 2900 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}$$

$$h_{oc} \sim 6 \text{ km}$$

$$\rho_w \sim 1000 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}$$

$A_c \sim$ area of continent

$A_o \sim$ area of ocean

Geometric constraint:

$$h_{cc} - b_{cc} = h_{oc} + h_w - b_{oc}$$

Force balance on continent:

$$m_{cc} = m_m \quad \rho_{cc} h_{cc} A_c = \rho_m b_{cc} A_c$$

$$\Rightarrow b_{cc} = \frac{\rho_{cc}}{\rho_m} h_{cc}$$

Force balance on ocean:

$$\underline{f} = (m_{oc} + m_w - m_m) \underline{g} = 0$$

$$\rho_{oc} h_{oc} A_o + \rho_w h_w A_o = \rho_m b_{oc} A_o$$

3 equations for 3 unknowns: h_w

$$1) \quad \rho_{cc} h_{cc} = \rho_w b_{cc}$$

$$2) \quad \rho_{oc} h_{oc} + \rho_w h_w = \rho_w b_{oc}$$

$$3) \quad h_{cc} - b_{cc} = h_w + h_{oc} - b_{oc}$$

solve for $h_w = \frac{\rho_{cc} - \rho_w}{\rho_w - \rho_w} h_{cc} - \frac{\rho_{oc} - \rho_w}{\rho_w - \rho_w} h_{oc} \approx 6.6 \text{ km}$

Finish index notation from lecture 1

Dummy index - summation convention

$$\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} = \sum_{i=1}^3 a_i b_i = a_i b_i$$

Free index $\underline{a}_j = \underline{e}_i b_i \underline{e}_j$

$$\{\underline{e}_i\} = \{\underline{e}_1, \underline{e}_2, \underline{e}_3\}$$

Kronecker delta: $\{\underline{e}_i\}$

$$\delta_{ij} = \underline{e}_i \cdot \underline{e}_j = \begin{cases} 1 & i=j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases}$$

$$\delta_{ij} = \delta_{ji}$$

$$\underline{e}_i = \delta_{ij} \underline{e}_j$$

Scalar product: $\underline{a} = a_i \underline{e}_i$

$$\underline{b} = b_j \underline{e}_j$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} &= (a_i \underline{e}_i) \cdot (b_j \underline{e}_j) = a_i b_j \underbrace{\underline{e}_i \cdot \underline{e}_j}_{\delta_{ij}} \\ &= \delta_{ij} \overbrace{a_i}^{\rightarrow} b_j \\ &= a_i b_i = a_j b_j \end{aligned}$$

Permutation symbol (Levi-Civita)

$$\epsilon_{ijk} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } ijk \in \{123, 231, 312\} \text{ even perm. of } 123 \\ -1 & \text{if } ijk \in \{321, 213, 132\} \text{ odd perm.} \\ 0 & \text{if any repeated index} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \curvearrowright & & \textcircled{\epsilon_{213}} & & & & \\ 123 & & 213 & & 231 & & 113 \end{array}$$

Flipping indices changes sign

$$\epsilon_{ijk} = -\epsilon_{kji} = -\epsilon_{ikj} = -\epsilon_{jik}$$

Invariant under cyclic permutations

$$\epsilon_{ijk} = \epsilon_{jki} = \epsilon_{kij}$$

Alternative definitions

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon_{ijk} &= (\underline{e}_i \times \underline{e}_j) \cdot \underline{e}_k \\ \epsilon_{ijk} &= \det([\underline{e}_i \ \underline{e}_j \ \underline{e}_k])\end{aligned}$$

For orthonormal frame

$$\underline{e}_i \times \underline{e}_j = \epsilon_{ijk} \underline{e}_k$$

$$\underline{e}_1 \times \underline{e}_2 = \underbrace{\epsilon_{123}}_1 \underline{e}_3$$

$$\underline{e}_2 \times \underline{e}_1 = \underbrace{\epsilon_{213}}_{-1} \underline{e}_3$$

Vector product: $\underline{a} \times \underline{b} = \underline{c}$

$$\underline{a} = a_i \underline{e}_i \quad \underline{b} = b_j \underline{e}_j \quad \underline{c} = \underline{c}_k \underline{e}_k$$

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{a} \times \underline{b} &= (a_i \underline{e}_i) \times (b_j \underline{e}_j) = a_i b_j \underbrace{\underline{e}_i \times \underline{e}_j}_{\epsilon_{ijk} \underline{e}_k} \\ &= \underline{\epsilon_{ijk} a_i b_j} \underline{e}_k\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{c_k = \epsilon_{ijk} a_i b_j}$$

Triple scalar product: $(\underline{a} \times \underline{b}) \cdot \underline{c} = \alpha$

$$\underline{a} = a_i \underline{e}_i \quad \underline{b} = b_j \underline{e}_j \quad \underline{d} = d_k \underline{e}_k \quad \underline{c} = c_m \underline{e}_m$$

$$\underline{d} = \epsilon_{ijk} a_i b_j \underline{e}_k$$

$$\alpha = \underline{d} \cdot \underline{c} = (\epsilon_{ijk} a_i b_j \underline{e}_k) \cdot (c_m \underline{e}_m)$$

$$= \epsilon_{ijk} a_i b_j c_m \underbrace{\underline{e}_k \cdot \underline{e}_m}_{\delta_{km}}$$

$$= \epsilon_{ijk} a_i b_j c_m \delta_{km}$$

$$\alpha = \epsilon_{ijk} a_i b_j c_k$$

$$i=1 \quad j=2 \quad k=3$$

Frame identities

$$\underline{e}_j = \delta_{ij} \underline{e}_i \quad \underline{e}_i \times \underline{e}_j = \epsilon_{ijk} \underline{e}_k$$

consequence of orthonormal frame

Epsilon-delta identities

in any right handed frame

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon_{pq s} \epsilon_{nr s} &= \delta_{pn} \delta_{qr} - \delta_{pr} \delta_{qn} \\ \epsilon_{pq s} \epsilon_{rqs} &= 2 \delta_{pr}\end{aligned}$$

helpful in vector (calc) identities

$$\text{Example: } \underline{a} \times (\underline{b} \times \underline{c}) = (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{c}) \underline{b} - (\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b}) \underline{c} = \underline{d}$$

$$\underline{b} = b_i \underline{e}_i \quad \underline{c} = c_j \underline{e}_j \quad \underline{a} = a_q \underline{e}_q \quad \underline{d} = d_p \underline{e}_p$$

$$\underline{b} \times \underline{c} = \epsilon_{ijk} b_i c_j \underline{e}_k$$

$$(a_q \underline{e}_q) \times (\epsilon_{ijk} b_i c_j \underline{e}_k) = \epsilon_{ijk} a_q b_i c_j \underline{e}_q \times \underline{e}_k$$

$$\underline{e}_q \times \underline{e}_k = \epsilon_{qkp} \underline{e}_p$$

subst.

$$= \epsilon_{ijk} a_q b_i c_j \epsilon_{qkp} \underline{e}_p$$

$$= \underbrace{\epsilon_{ijk} \epsilon_{qkp}} a_q b_i c_j \underline{e}_p$$

$$\epsilon_{qkp} = -\epsilon_{qpk} = \epsilon_{pkq}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \epsilon_{ijk} \epsilon_{pqk} a_q b_i c_j e_p \\
&= (\delta_{ip} \delta_{jq} - \delta_{iq} \delta_{jp}) a_q b_i c_j e_p \\
&= \delta_{ip} \delta_{jq} a_q b_i c_j e_p - \delta_{iq} \delta_{jp} a_q b_i c_j e_p \\
&= a_j b_i c_j e_i - a_i b_i c_j e_j \\
&= a_j c_j (b_i e_i) \\
&\quad \underline{(a \cdot c) \underline{b} - (a \cdot b) \underline{c}}
\end{aligned}$$