

Short review of force & momentum

object with mass m and velocity \underline{v}

\Rightarrow Linear momentum: $\underline{L} = m \underline{v}$

Newtown's first law: "Principle of inertia"

"In fixed frame every object preserves its motion (momentum) unless acted upon by a force."

$$\text{Force: } \underline{f} = \frac{d\underline{L}}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt}(m\underline{v}) = m \frac{d\underline{v}}{dt} = m \underline{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\underline{f} = m \underline{a}}$$

Newton's second law

Units of force: $[F = \frac{ML}{T^2}]$ general base units

$$\text{Newton: } N = \frac{kg \cdot m}{s^2}$$

Body Forces

Any force that not due to physical contact is a body force and acts on the entire body.

Example: gravitational body force

$$\underline{b}_g = \rho g$$

$$\left[\frac{M}{L^3} \frac{L}{T^2} = \frac{M}{L^2 T^2} \right]$$

⇒ body force field has units of force volumne

If a body force acts on a body B the net or resultant body force is:

$$\Sigma_b[B] = \int_B \underline{b}(x) dV$$

units of force $\left[\frac{ML}{T^2} \right]$

Resultant force due to Gravity

$$f_G = \Sigma_b[B] = \int \rho_b g dV \quad \text{if } g \text{ is constant}$$

$$= \int_B \rho_b g dV = m_b g$$

$$\underline{f}_G = m_b g$$

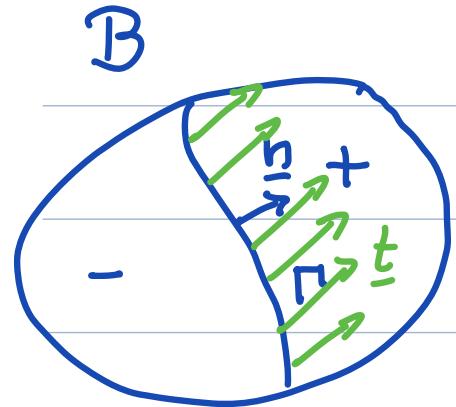
↔ Weight of body

Surface/Contact Forces

arise due to the physical contact between bodies. Forces along imaginary surfaces within a body are called internal forces while forces along the bounding surface of a body are external.

Internal surface forces hold a body together. External surface forces describe the interaction with the environment.

Traction Field



Consider an arbitrary surface Γ in B with unit normal $\underline{n}(x)$ that defines the positive and negative sides of B .

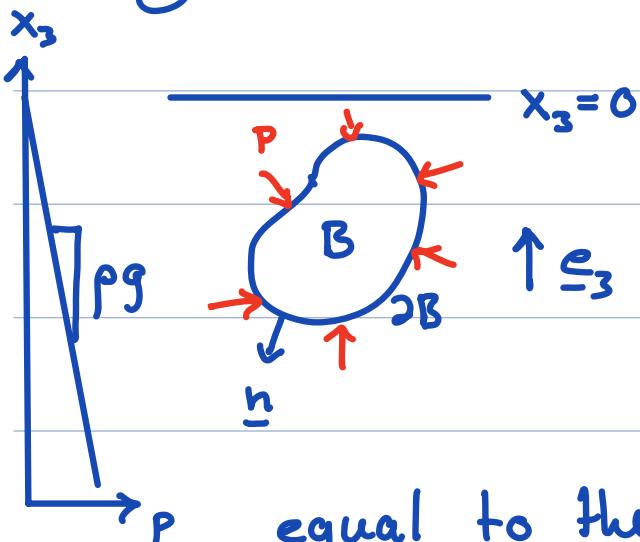
The force per unit area exerted by material on the pos. side upon material on the neg. side is given by the traction field \underline{t}_n for Γ .

The resultant force due to a traction field

on Γ is

$$\underline{\Gamma}_S[\Gamma] = \int_{\Gamma} \underline{t}_n(x) dA$$

Buoyancy: Resultant hydro static surface force



Any object, wholly or partially submerged in a fluid is buoyed up by a force

equal to the weight of the fluid displaced by the body (Archimedes principle).

Hydrostatic pressure: $p = -\rho_f g x_3$

Hydrostatic traction on ∂B : $\underline{t} = -p\underline{n}$

Resulting surface force:

$$\underline{f}_B = \sum_s [\partial B] = \int_{\partial B} \underline{t} dA = - \int_B \underline{p} \underline{n} dA$$

need to convert this to volume integral

\Rightarrow Gradient theorem

$$\int_{\partial \Omega} \phi \underline{n} dA = \int_{\Omega} \nabla \phi dV \rightarrow \text{HW}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{f}_B = - \int_{\partial B} \underline{p} \underline{n} dA = - \int_B \nabla p dV$$

where $\nabla p = \nabla(-\rho_f g x_3) = -\rho_f g e_3 = \rho_f g$

$$\underline{f}_B = - \int_B \rho_f g dV = - g \underbrace{\int_B \rho_f dV}_{V_B} = - m_f g$$

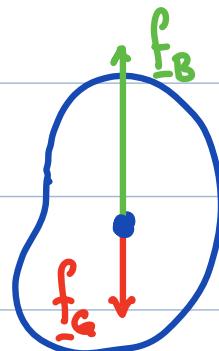
$$\boxed{\underline{f}_B = - m_f g}$$

Buoyancy force is minus the weight of
the displaced fluid (Archimedes ✓)

~ 250 BCE ?

Hydrostatic force balance

Total resultant force \underline{f} on
a submerged body in a
gravitational field is the
sum of weight and buoyancy.



$$\underline{f} = \underline{f}_G + \underline{f}_B = \underline{r}_b[B] + \underline{r}_s[\partial B]$$

$$= \int_B \rho_b g dV - \int_{\partial B} p n dS$$

substituting:

$$\underline{f} = \int_B (\rho_b - \rho_f) g dV = (m_b - m_f) g$$

$\rho_f > \rho_b$: \underline{f} points up \rightarrow body rises (pos. buoyancy)

$\rho_f < \rho_b$: \underline{f} points down \rightarrow body sinks (neg. buoyancy)

$\rho_f = \rho_b$: $\underline{f} = 0$ \rightarrow body is neutrally buoyant

Note: The integrated expression assumes $g = \text{const.}$

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