

ARCHIMEDES (287-212 BC) Philosopher, mathematician

of Syracuse. Famous in his day for ingenious machines which captured the public's imagination. He is credited with prolonging the Roman siege of Syracuse for 3 years due to his inventions (huge parabolic mirrors to focus sunlight on Roman ships to set them afire, large cranes that toppled ships, etc.)

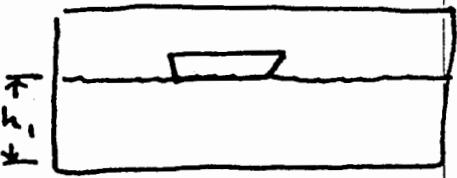
The written work for which he is remembered today include geometry, the basis for calculus, later improved + completed by Newton + Leibniz, equilibrium + other subjects in mechanics - hence his machines - and hydrostatics.

Archimedes was a favorite of King Hiero II of Syracuse + one day the king posed him the following problem:

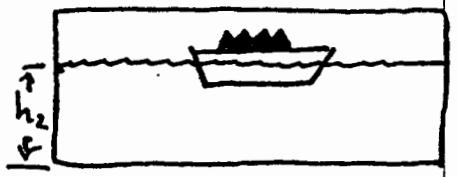
Is this crown pure gold? Archimedes took the crown down to the Public Baths and devised the following experiment:

In a tank in a small vessel he carefully measured the level of

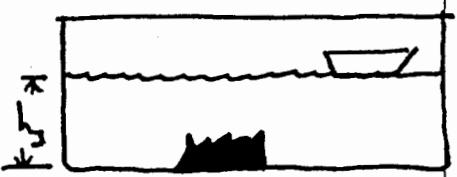
water -  $h_1$ . Then he placed the crown in the vessel and again measured the level of the water -  $h_2$ .



Finally, he placed the crown in the tank up the vessel and again measured the level of the water -  $h_3$ . Archimedes



then did a simple calculation and informed Hiero that the crown was indeed impure - possibly with silver or lead. Hiero promptly called for the execution of the goldsmith and Archimedes - so pleased was he with his new discovery - ran home shouting "Eureka!" in the nude.



Let's follow Archimedes reasoning and calculate:

He measured that:

- a) When the crown was in the vessel it must displace an amount (volume) of water equal in mass to that of the crown. He knew that buoyant

forces are created when objects are placed in fluids - the heavier the object the more water is displaced. Since the mass of the crown must be equal to the mass of water displaced

$$m = \rho V$$

mass      density      Volume

thus  $m_{\text{crown}} = m_{H_2O \text{ displaced}} = \rho_{H_2O} V_{H_2O \text{ displaced}}$

$$V_{H_2O} = (h_2 - h_1) \times l \times w$$

height

$$m_{\text{crown}} = \rho_{H_2O} \cdot (h_2 - h_1) \cdot l \cdot w$$

Now, when the crown is allowed to sink it displaces an amount of water equal to its volume, so

$$V_{\text{crown}} = (h_3 - h_1) \cdot l \cdot w$$

and

$$\rho_{\text{crown}} = \frac{m_{\text{crown}}}{V_{\text{crown}}} = \frac{\rho_{H_2O} \cdot (h_2 - h_1) \cdot l \cdot w}{(h_3 - h_1) \cdot l \cdot w}$$

Note Archimedes didn't even have to know the size of the tank.  $\rho_{H_2O} = 1 \text{ gram/cm}^3$   
and

$$\rho_{\text{crown}} = \frac{(h_2 - h_1)}{(h_3 - h_1)} \cdot 1 \text{ g/cm}^3$$

I happen to have here a copy of Archimedes lab notebook with the following measures:

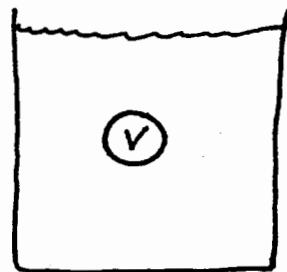
$$\left. \begin{array}{l} h_1 = 10 \text{ cm} \\ h_2 = 17.5 \text{ cm} \\ h_3 = 10.5 \text{ cm} \end{array} \right\} \text{thus } \rho_{\text{crown}} = \frac{7.5}{0.5} \text{ g/cm}^3 = 15 \text{ g/cm}^3$$

Well! The density of gold is  $19.3 \text{ g/cm}^3$  so the crown must have been polluted with some less dense metal

We can state Archimedes principle as follows:

THE BOYANT FORCE ON AN OBJECT IN A FLUID IS EQUAL TO THE WEIGHT OF THE DISPLACED FLUID

Let's think about a completely still fluid and consider a volume near the center of the fluid. There is a gravitational force

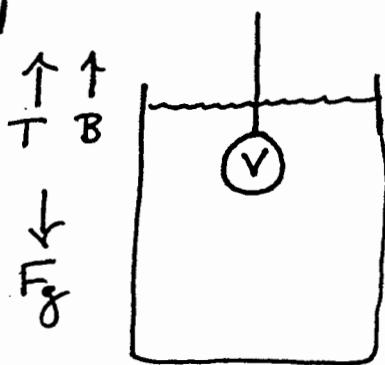


$F_g = mg = \rho V g$  acting downward on the volume. If it is not falling then there must be a force opposing

and balancing the gravitational force (weight). We call this a BUOYANT FORCE and from the above we must have that

$$B = \rho_0 g V$$

Now suppose that we suspend an object of equal volume from a string in the fluid. The object will feel the following forces



$T$  = tension in the string

$$w = F_g = \rho g V$$

$$B = \rho_0 g V - \text{buoyant force will be the same as volume of fluid}$$

Thus, for the object to be stationary

$$F_g = T + B$$

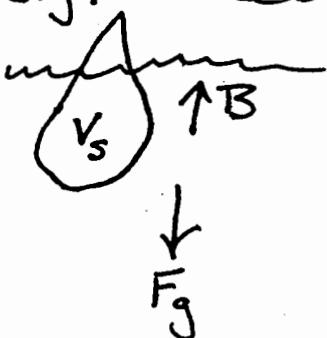
$$\rho g V = T + \rho_0 g V$$

$$\underline{T = (\rho - \rho_0) g V}$$

Thus, Archimedes might have performed his exp't with the ecan as follows. Holding the ecan on a spring scale or other means of measuring tension

float, partially submerged.

e.g. ICEBERG. If  $V_s$  is the volume submerged then



$$B = \rho_0 V_s g$$

and

$$F_g = \rho V g$$

Equating the two

$$\rho_0 V_s g = \rho V g$$

$$\rho_0 V_s = \rho V$$

$$\text{or } \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} = \frac{V_s}{V}$$

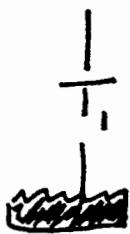
This is  
units  
we'll  
use

Ice has a density  $0.92 \text{ g/cm}^3$  ( $920 \text{ kg/m}^3$ ) whereas seawater is  $1.025 \text{ g/cm}^3$  ( $1025 \text{ kg/m}^3$ )

$$\frac{V_s}{V} = \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} = \frac{0.92}{1.025} = 0.898$$

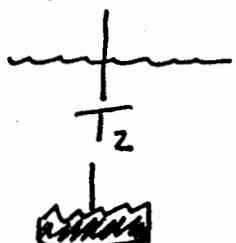
The iceberg is about 90% submerged  
Alas Titanic!

1) Before submersion



$$T_1 = F_g = \rho g V$$

2) After submersion



$$T_2 = (\rho - \rho_0) g V$$

$$\frac{T_2}{T_1} = \frac{(\rho - \rho_0) g V}{\rho g V} = \frac{\rho - \rho_0}{\rho}$$

or

$$\rho = \frac{\rho_0 T_1}{T_1 - T_2}$$

Suppose  $T_1 = 15 N$     $T_2 = 14 N$

$$\rho = \rho_0 \frac{15}{15-14} = 15\rho_0 = \underline{15 g/cm^3}$$

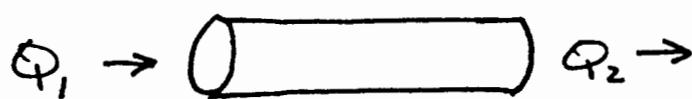
Same result.

What if  $\rho < \rho_0$

(If we place this in the eqn we see  $T$  comes out negative. Actually there is a net buoyant force upwards. The object will rise to the surface and

Thus armed we continue with our discussion of fluid mechanics and a new principle embodied in BERNOULLI'S EQN which deals, in part, with fluid flow

Consider a pipe ( or tube or ... )



into which we introduce a volume of fluid

( incompressible in this case ),  $Q_1$  ( $m^3$ ) per second. We call this the flow rate

If the fluid cannot be compressed, can't take a detour in the pipe, then it must come out the other end. That is to say that the flow rate out of the tube  $Q_2$  must equal the flow rate into the tube ( e.g. garden hose )

### EQN OF CONTINUITY

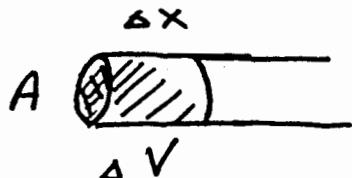
Flow rate in = flow rate out

$$Q_1 = Q_2$$

Nothing deep or earth-shaking about that! It will turn out to be helpful + more general to write this is somewhat

different form :

Suppose in a time  $\Delta t$  we introduce a volume  $\Delta V$  of fluid into our tube so that it fills a length of tube  $\Delta x$  as shown



$$\text{Then } \Delta V = \Delta x A$$

The velocity of the fluid will be

$$v = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t}$$

and the flow rate will be

$$Q = \frac{\Delta V}{\Delta t} = A \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} = Av$$

We can now write the eqn of continuity somewhat differently

$$\underline{A_1 v_1 = A_2 v_2}$$

Consider now a tube with a constriction



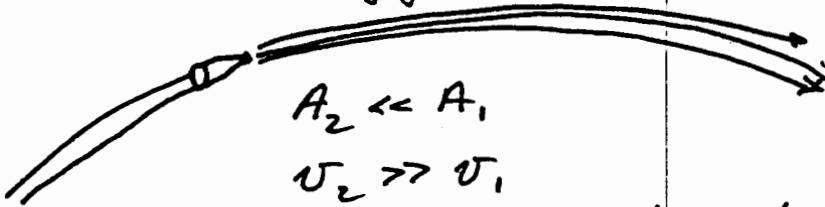
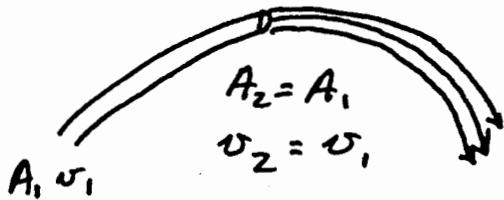
If we introduce fluid into  $A_1$  with velocity  $v_1$ , then the eqn of continuity requires

the same volume to emerge from  $A_2$  in the same time

$$v_2 = \frac{A_1}{A_2} v_1$$

If  $A_1 > A_2$  then  $v_2 > v_1$

e.g. Garden hose with nozzle



Same volume of water reaches the plants, but it's moving w/  
much higher velocity

Above is an example of STREAMLINE FLOW

We say that a flow is streamline if the fluid motion is uniform and streams of fluid do not cross. If motion is irregular and not continuous we refer to the case as TURBULENT FLOW. Needless to say, streamline flow is much easier to treat quantitatively than turbulent flow. In particular, in streamline flow eqn of continuity holds

$A v$  is the same everywhere in the flow.