

## Chapter 7 – Properties of Bulk Matter

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### 1. Introduction

So far, we treated matter as rigid. But real materials deform under forces, flow as liquids, or exist as gases.

This chapter covers elasticity, fluid mechanics, and surface phenomena — essential for understanding real-world physics.

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### 2. Elasticity

When you stretch a spring, it returns. That restoring property is elasticity.

**Hooke's Law:**

Stress  $\propto$  Strain (within elastic limit)  $\text{Stress} \propto \text{Strain}$  (within elastic limit)  
Stress =  $E \times$  Strain  $\text{Stress} = E \times \text{Strain}$

Type	Formula	Example
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Young's modulus  $Y = (F/A)/(\Delta L/L)$  Wire stretch

Bulk modulus  $K = (-\Delta P)/(\Delta V/V)$  Pressure on fluid

Shear modulus  $\eta = (F/A)/(\Delta x/L)$  Shearing metal block

Unit: N/m<sup>2</sup> (Pascal).

Elastic limit → beyond it, permanent deformation occurs.

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### 3. Fluid Pressure and Pascal's Law

Pressure = Force/Area.

Pascal's Law: External pressure applied on fluid transmits equally in all directions.

**Applications:**

- Hydraulic lift, brakes, press.
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### 4. Archimedes' Principle

A body submerged in fluid experiences upthrust equal to weight of displaced fluid.

$$F_B = \rho_f V g F_B = \rho_f V g$$

**Explains floating and sinking.**

**Condition for floatation:**  $\rho_{\text{body}} \leq \rho_{\text{fluid}}$ .

**Used in ships, hydrometers, submarines.**

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## 5. Viscosity

**Viscosity = internal friction in fluids.**

**For laminar flow, Newton's law of viscosity:**

$$F = \eta A dv/dy \quad F = \eta A dy/dv$$

**Unit:** Pa·s.

**Stoke's Law (sphere in fluid):**

$$F = 6\pi\eta rv \quad F = 6\pi\eta r v$$

**Terminal velocity:**

$$vt = 2r^2(\rho_s - \rho_f)g / 9\eta v_t = \frac{2r^2(\rho_s - \rho_f)g}{9\eta} vt = 9\eta r^2(\rho_s - \rho_f)g$$

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## 6. Streamline and Turbulent Flow

- **Streamline (laminar):** smooth, layers slide without mixing.
- **Turbulent:** irregular, eddy currents form.

**Reynolds number:**

$$Re = \rho v D \eta R_e = \frac{\rho v D}{\eta} \quad Re = \frac{\rho v D}{\eta}$$

If  $R_e < 2000 \rightarrow$  laminar;  $> 4000 \rightarrow$  turbulent.

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## 7. Surface Tension

**Cohesive forces at surface create tension acting along the surface.**

$$T = F/L = \frac{F}{L} \quad T = LF$$

**Unit:** N/m.

**Surface energy =  $T \times$  increase in area.**

**Applications:** capillarity, soap bubbles, insects walking on water.

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## 8. Capillary Rise

Liquid rises or falls in a narrow tube due to surface tension:

$$h = \frac{2T \cos \theta}{\rho g r} h = \frac{2T \cos \theta}{\rho g r} h = \rho g r \frac{2T \cos \theta}{\rho g}$$

Water ( $\theta < 90^\circ$ ) → rise, Mercury ( $\theta > 90^\circ$ ) → fall.

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### 🔥 9. Viscosity and Flow of Blood

Blood viscosity helps maintain uniform flow; too high → heart strain, too low → uncontrolled bleeding.

Thus, physics directly connects to physiology here.

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### 📋 10. Summary

1. Stress/strain describe deformation.
2. Elastic moduli: Y, K,  $\eta$ .
3. Pascal's law governs hydraulics.
4. Archimedes' principle explains buoyancy.
5. Viscosity controls flow; Reynolds number predicts turbulence.
6. Surface tension causes capillarity and drop formation.