

Homework #1

MEMS 0071 - Introduction to Fluid Mechanics

Assigned: August 30th, 2019

Due: September 6th, 2019

Problem #1

You are scuba diving in great lakes, which are freshwater lakes ($\rho=998$ [kg/m³]). Determine the pressure at the following depths:

- a) At the maximum depth of Lake Erie, 64 [m]
- b) At the maximum depth of Lake Huron, 229 [m]
- c) At the maximum depth of Lake Ontario, 244 [m]
- d) At the maximum depth of Lake Michigan, 302 [m]
- e) At the maximum depth of Lake Superior, 406 [m]

Problem #2

You are flying a single-engine, non-pressurized cabin Cessna 172. Determine the atmospheric pressures, in [kPa], at the following elevations above sea level (ASL), assuming the temperature of air does not change with changing elevation

- a) 5,000 [ft] ASL
- b) 10,00 [ft] ASL
- c) 12,000 [ft] ASL

Problem #3

Imagine you are in a submarine exploring the Mariana Trench, which is 10,994 [m] below sea level.

- a) What is the pressure outside the submarine?
- b) What is the pressure inside the submarine?

Problem #4

Determine the following material properties:

- a) The specific gravity, SG, of mercury ($\rho=13,600$ [kg/m³])
- b) The specific gravity of air at STP
- c) The specific gravity of castor oil ($\rho=956.1$ [kg/m³])
- d) The specific weight of water at STP
- e) The specific weight of sea water ($\rho=1,025$ [kg/m³])
- f) The specific weight of beer (SG=1.01)
- g) The specific weight of propane (SG=0.495)
- h) The specific weight of glycerin (SG=1.263)
- i) The density of glycerin (SG=1.263)

Problem #5

Determine the following material properties:

- a) The absolute pressure of a system if the gauge pressure is 200 [kPa]
- b) The gauge pressure of a system with an absolute pressure of 350 [kPa]
- c) The force generated on a 0.5 [m] by 0.75 [m] surface that is exposed to atmospheric pressure on one side and a perfect vacuum on the other