

Chapter 12 : Buoyancy

* when an object is submerged in a fluid, there is an upward force called the buoyant force

→ Archimedes' Principle :

states that the buoyant force on an object is equal to the weight of the fluid it displaces.

→ Buoyancy : is the upward force exerted on an object that is fully or partially submerged in a fluid, resulting from the increase in pressure with depth.

* This force allows some objects to float on a liquid, while others sink.

$$F_{\text{buoyant}} = m_f g = \rho_f V_f g$$

m_f : mass of the fluid displaced

V_f : Volume of the fluid displaced.

ρ_f : fluid density.

⇒ The net downwards force on the object in the case of only the buoyant force and gravity acting is

$$F_{\text{net}} = mg - \rho_f V_f g =$$

$$= \rho_{obj} V_{obj} g - \rho_f V_f g$$

* (a) if $\rho_{obj} < \rho_f$

$$V_{disp} < V_{obj}$$

F_B (partially submerged);
 F_{weight}

(b) if $\rho_{obj} > \rho_f$

$$V_{disp} = V_{object}$$
 $(\sin k)$

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$$F_{\text{net}} = 0 = \rho_{\text{obj}} V_{\text{obj}} g - \rho_f V_{\text{disp}} g \quad \text{"floating object is stationary"}$$

$$\rho_f V_{\text{disp}} g = \rho_{\text{obj}} V_{\text{obj}} g$$

$$\boxed{\frac{V_{\text{disp}}}{V_{\text{obj}}} = \frac{\rho_{\text{obj}}}{\rho_f}}$$

* example:

$$\rho_{\text{obj}} = \frac{\rho_f}{2}$$

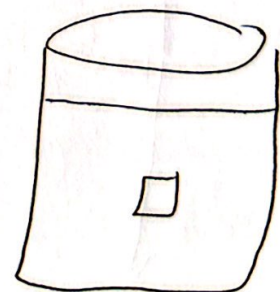
$$\frac{V_{\text{disp}}}{V_{\text{obj}}} = \frac{\frac{\rho_f}{2}}{\rho_f}$$

$$V_{\text{disp}} = \frac{1}{2} V_{\text{obj}}$$

$$\rho_{\text{obj}} = \frac{7}{8} \rho_f$$

$$V_{\text{disp}} = \frac{7}{8} V_{\text{obj}}$$

$$\rho_{\text{object}} = \rho_f \quad V_{\text{disp}} = V_{\text{obj}}$$



any submerged object has an apparent weight that is less than its actual ~~weight~~ weight

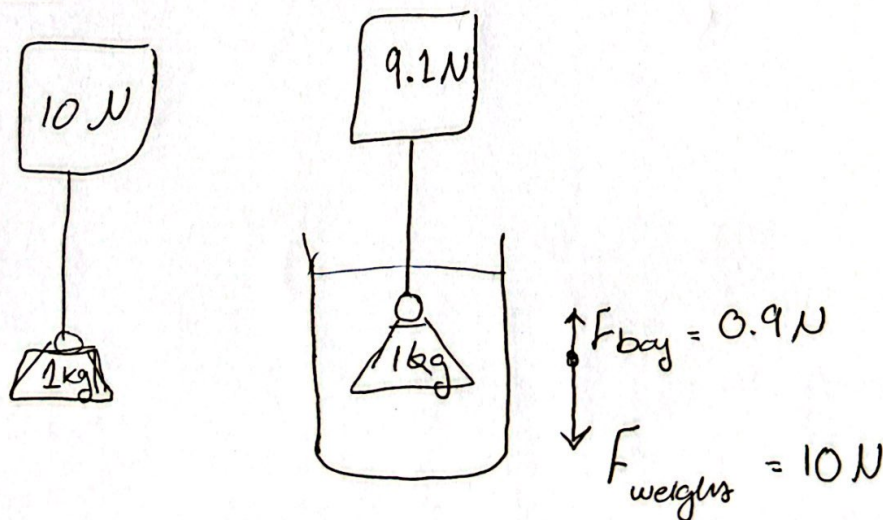
$$\text{apparent weight} = \text{actual weight} - \text{buoyant force}$$

$$\therefore \text{buoyant force} = \text{actual weight} - \text{apparent weight}$$

$$\frac{\rho_f V g}{mg} = \frac{\text{actual weight} - \text{apparent weight}}{\text{actual weight}}$$

$$= \frac{\rho_f V g}{\rho_{\text{obj}} V g} = \frac{\rho_f}{\rho_{\text{obj}}}$$

Figure 12.4



see example 12.1, 12.2, 12.3, 12.4