

2.HYDROSTATICS

Fluid statics or **hydrostatics** is the branch of fluid mechanics that studies "fluids at rest and the pressure in a fluid or exerted by a fluid on an immersed body"

The **pressure** exerted by a fluid at equilibrium at a given point within the fluid, due to the force of gravity. **Hydrostatic pressure** increases in proportion to depth measured from the surface because of the increasing weight of fluid exerting downward force from above.

Total Pressure on a Vertically Immersed Surface.

Consider a plane vertical surface immersed in a liquid

Total area of the immersed surface

= Depth of the center of gravity of the immersed surface from the liquid surface.

w = Sp.wt of the liquid.

A = Total area of the immersed surface.

x = Depth of Centre gravity of the immersed surface from the liquid surface.

Consider a strip of thickness dx , width b at a depth x from the free surface of liquid.

- Area of strip = bdx .
- The intensity of pressure on the strip = wx
- Pressure on the Strip = Intensity of pressure \times Area of strip. = $wx \cdot bdx$.
- Hence total pressure on the Strip = $P = \int w x \cdot bdx = w \int x \cdot bdx$
- But, $\int x \cdot bdx$ = Moment of the surface area about the liquid level. = $A X$
- $P = wAX$

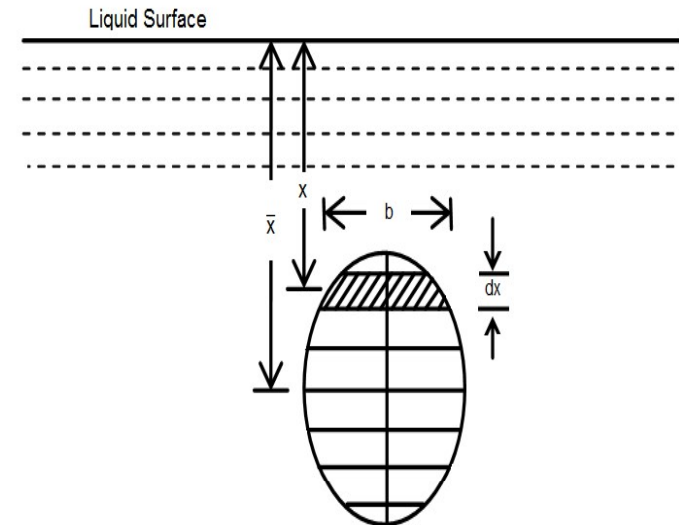


Fig 2 : Vertically immersed surface

$$\int w \sin \theta b dx$$

- **Total Pressure on a Vertically Inclined Immersed Surface.**

Consider a plane surface immersed in a liquid inclined at angle θ

Total area of the immersed surface.

= Depth of the center of gravity of the immersed surface from the liquid surface.

Consider a strip of thickness dx , width b at a distance x from the surface of liquid at an angle θ .

The intensity of pressure on the strip

$$= w \sin \theta$$

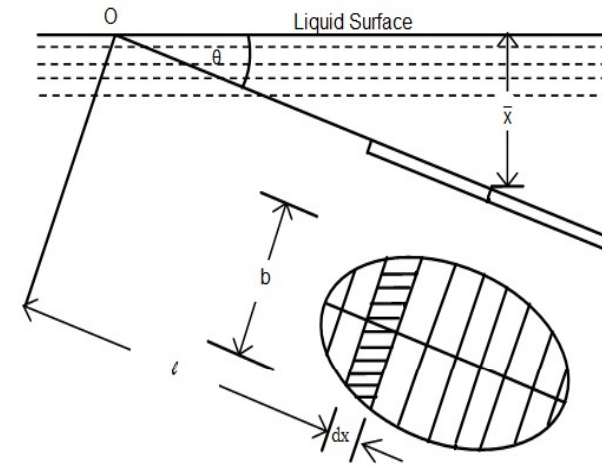


Fig 3 : Inclined immersed surface

- Area of strip = $b dx$
- Pressure on the Strip = Intensity of pressure x Area of strip = $w \sin \theta b dx$
- Hence total pressure on the body = $P = \int w \sin \theta b dx = w \sin \theta \int l b dx$
- But $\int l b dx$ is the Moment of surface area about O. = $A X / \sin \theta = w A X$

CENTRE OF PRESSURE

Divide the whole immersed the surface into small number of parallel strips .

Let w =Sp.wt of the liquid.

A =Total area of the immersed surface.

\bar{x} = Depth of Centre gravity of the immersed surface from the liquid surface.

- Consider a strip of thickness dx ,width b at a depth x from the free surface of liquid.

A =Total area of the immersed surface.

The intensity of pressure on the strip= wx & Area of strip = bdx .

Pressure of the Strip(P)= Intensity of pressure \times Area= $wx.bdx$.

Moment of this pressure about the liquid surface

$$=(wx.bdx).x=wx^2bdx.$$

Now sum of all moments about the liquid surface,

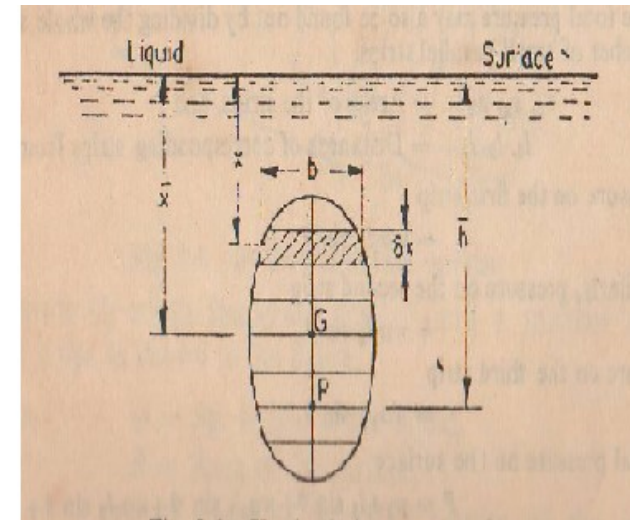
$$M=\int wx^2bdx.$$

But $\int x^2bdx=I_0$ =(Moment of Inertia of the surface liquid level, or second Moment of area).

Hence, $M=w I_0$.

We know, that sum of moments of the pressure is also equal to $P .h$

(Where h -depth of centre of Pressure from the liquid surface total pressure on the surface).



APPLICATION OF HYDROSTATICS
PRESSURE DIADRAM

A pressure Diagram may be defined as a graphical representation of the variation in the intensity of pressure over a surface. Such diagrams are very useful to find out total pressure and the centre of pressure of a liquid on vertical surface.

Pressure due to one kind of liquid on the one side.

Consider a vertical wall subjected to pressure due to one kind of liquid, on one of its sides as shown in Fig.

Let **H**=Height of liquid,

w=Specific weight of the liquid, and

P=Total pressure on the wall per unit length.

Pressure on the wall zero at the liquid surface, and will increase by a straight line law to wH at the bottom. Therefore the pressure diagram will be a triangle ABC as shown in Fig. The total pressure on the wall on per unit length,

$$P = (\text{Area of Triangle ABC}) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot H \cdot wH = \frac{1}{2} wH^2$$

This Pressure will acts at the C.G of the triangle ,i.e.at a depth of $\frac{2H}{3}$ from the liquid surface.

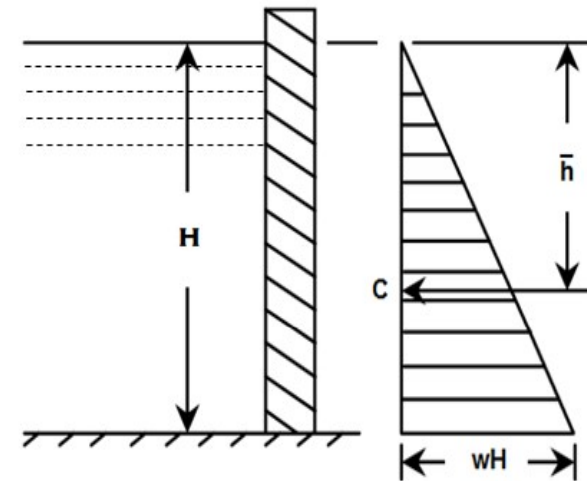


Fig : Masonry Wall