Concept of Upthrust

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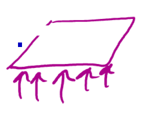
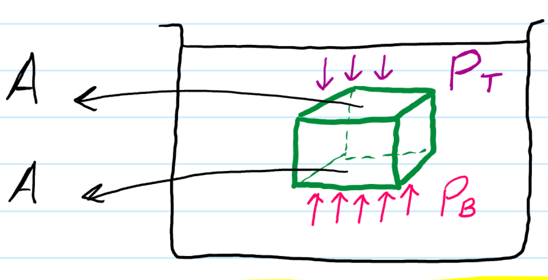


define :- Upthrust is defined as the upward force which is experienced by any object if it is immersed in a fluid.

Why Upthrust acts :-

"Pressure Increases with the depth"



P_B = Pressure exerted on the bottom face

P_T = Pressure exerted on the top face

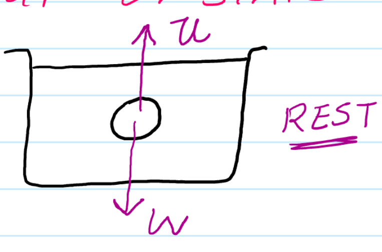
Since $P_B > P_T$

∴ This difference in Pressure b/w the top & the bottom surface exerts an upward force on the object which is known as "upthrust"

State why Upthrust :-
b/c of difference in Pressure b/w the Top and the Bottom Surfaces.

Side note

Q How do we determine whether an object will float or sink



if $W > U$ Sink

if $U > W$ float

formulas for calculating Upthrust

derivation "NOT" Required

$$U = (P_B - P_T)A \rightarrow ①$$

A = Area of Top / Bottom face (provided that the areas are identical).

Q:: What if the areas are non-identical?

Then the 1st formula is not applicable hence we use eq ②

$$U = \rho_f \cdot g \cdot V_o \rightarrow ②$$

ρ_f = density of fluid

g = acc. of free fall

V_o = Volume of the object.

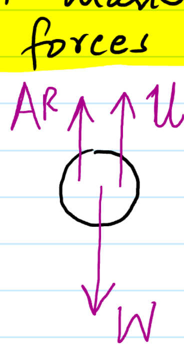
· How to represent Upthrust in a diagram

Ex. ① An object is falling in AIR at constant Speed.

O levels (i) Mark the forces on the diagram?

Equation $W = A_R$ (wrong)

· Since we have now done Upthrust.
∴ we must mark not 2 but rather 3 forces on the diagram



Equation
$W = U + A_R$.

Briefly comment on the magnitude of each force?

W = Largest

How to decide b/w A_R & U

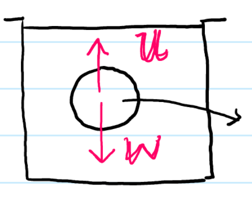
$U = \rho_f \cdot g \cdot V_o$ ∴ $U \propto \rho_f$

In this case object was falling in Air ∴ ρ_f (air) = v. Low
∴ U = smallest.

Increasing Order = U, A_R, W.

Ex. A gas molecule is stationary inside a Liquid column.

(i) Mark the forces on the diagram

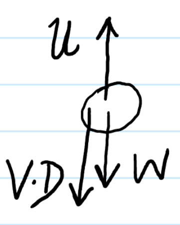


Q:: What about Air Resistance?

fluid alternate terms ::
① fluid Resistance
② drag force
③ Viscous drag.

Since stationary ∴ Viscous drag is not marked / mentioned.

(ii) Mark forces if the gas molecule is moving upwards at constant speed? → V.D (down)



Since moving upwards ∴ Viscous drag downwards

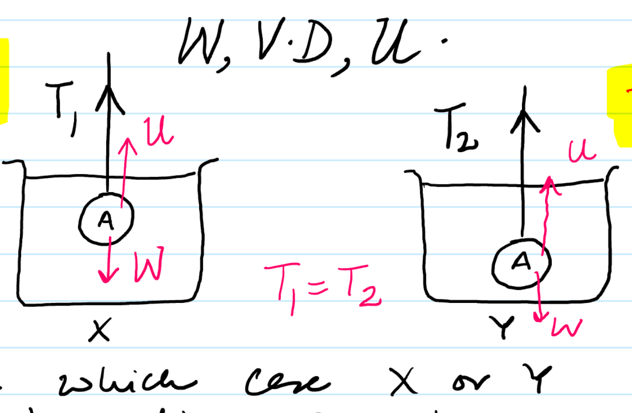
(ii) Form an Equation $W + V.D = U$

(iii) Comment on magnitude
Increasing order
U = Largest.

Compare b/w V.D and W
gas molecule ∴ W (negligable)
W = smallest

W, V.D, U.

$T_1 + U = W$

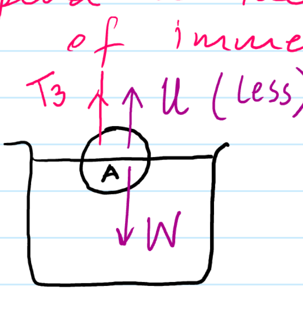


$T_2 + U = W$

Q In which case X or Y will the object experience greater upthrust. ?

$U = \rho_f \cdot g \cdot V_o$ [all are Constant].

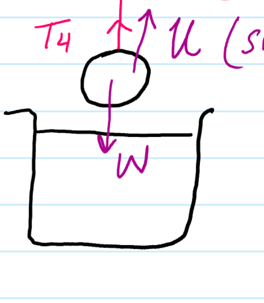
Conclusion :- Upthrust does not depend on the depth of immersion



$U = \rho_f \cdot g \cdot V_o$.

V_o immersed has reduced ∴ U also decreases.

$T_3 + U = W$
U ↓ reduces
T_3 ↓ higher than before
$T_3 > T_1$ or $T_3 > T_2$.



$T_4 + U = W$
U ↓ smallest
T_4 ↓ Larger than T_1, T_2, T_3.

Ascending order.

$T_1 = T_2, T_3, T_4$.