

Important Buoyancy Formulas PDF



Formulas Examples with Units

List of 11 Important Buoyancy Formulas

1) Angle of heel for metacentric height in experimental method Formula

Formula

$$\theta = \operatorname{atan}\left(\frac{w_1 \cdot D}{W_{fv} \cdot GM}\right)$$

Example with Units

$$8.2421^\circ = \operatorname{atan}\left(\frac{343 \text{ N} \cdot 5.8 \text{ m}}{19620 \text{ N} \cdot 0.7 \text{ m}}\right)$$

Evaluate Formula

2) Archimedes Principle Formula

Formula

$$A_{\text{bouy}} = \rho \cdot g \cdot v$$

Example with Units

$$3239.88 \text{ N} = 5.51 \text{ kg/m}^3 \cdot 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2 \cdot 60 \text{ m}^3$$

Evaluate Formula

3) Buoyant Force Formula

Formula

$$F_{\text{bouy}} = p \cdot A$$

Example with Units

$$40000 \text{ N} = 800 \text{ Pa} \cdot 50 \text{ m}^2$$

Evaluate Formula

4) Centre of Buoyancy Formula

Formula

$$B_c = \frac{d}{2}$$

Example with Units

$$0.525 \text{ m} = \frac{1.05 \text{ m}}{2}$$

Evaluate Formula

5) Meta-centric height for time period of oscillation and radius of gyration Formula

Formula

$$GM = \frac{4 \cdot (\pi^2) \cdot (k_G^2)}{(T^2) \cdot [g]}$$

Example with Units

$$0.7004 \text{ m} = \frac{4 \cdot (3.1416^2) \cdot (8 \text{ m}^2)}{(19.18 \text{ s}^2) \cdot 9.8066 \text{ m/s}^2}$$

Evaluate Formula

6) Meta-centric height in experimental method Formula

Formula

$$GM = \left(\frac{w_1 \cdot D}{W_{fv} \cdot \tan(\theta)}\right)$$

Example with Units

$$0.7002 \text{ m} = \left(\frac{343 \text{ N} \cdot 5.8 \text{ m}}{19620 \text{ N} \cdot \tan(8.24^\circ)}\right)$$

Evaluate Formula



7) Movable weight for metacentric height in experimental method Formula

Formula

$$w_1 = \frac{GM \cdot W_{fv} \cdot \tan(\theta)}{D}$$

Example with Units

$$342.9117 \text{ N} = \frac{0.7 \text{ m} \cdot 19620 \text{ N} \cdot \tan(8.24^\circ)}{5.8 \text{ m}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

8) Radius of gyration for metacentric height and time period of oscillation Formula

Formula

$$k_G = \frac{(T) \cdot \sqrt{GM \cdot [g]}}{2 \cdot \pi}$$

Example with Units

$$7.9979 \text{ m} = \frac{(19.18 \text{ s}) \cdot \sqrt{0.7 \text{ m} \cdot 9.8066 \text{ m/s}^2}}{2 \cdot 3.1416}$$

Evaluate Formula 

9) Time Period of Oscillation of Ship Formula

Formula

$$T = (2 \cdot \pi) \cdot \left(\sqrt{\frac{k_G^2}{GM \cdot [g]}} \right)$$

Example with Units

$$19.1849 \text{ s} = (2 \cdot 3.1416) \cdot \left(\sqrt{\frac{8 \text{ m}^2}{0.7 \text{ m} \cdot 9.8066 \text{ m/s}^2}} \right)$$

Evaluate Formula 

10) Volume of body in fluid for metacentric height and BG Formula

Formula

$$V_T = \frac{I}{GM + BG}$$

Example with Units

$$12.5 \text{ m}^3 = \frac{11.25 \text{ m}^4}{0.7 \text{ m} + 0.2 \text{ m}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

11) Volume of fluid displaced Formula

Formula

$$V = \frac{W}{\rho_{df}}$$

Example with Units

$$0.0326 \text{ m}^3 = \frac{32.5 \text{ kg}}{997 \text{ kg/m}^3}$$

Evaluate Formula 



Variables used in list of Buoyancy Formulas above

- **A** Area (Square Meter)
- **A_{buoy}** Archimedes Principle (Newton)
- **B_C** Centre of Buoyancy for Floating Body (Meter)
- **BG** Distance of CG from Center of Buoyancy (Meter)
- **d** Depth of Immersed Object in Water (Meter)
- **D** Distance Travelled by Weight on Vessel (Meter)
- **F_{buoy}** Buoyant Force (Newton)
- **g** Acceleration Due to Gravity (Meter per Square Second)
- **GM** Metacentric Height of Floating Body (Meter)
- **I** Moment of Inertia of Plain Floating Body (Meter⁴)
- **k_G** Radius of Gyration of Floating Body (Meter)
- **p** Pressure (Pascal)
- **T** Time Period of Oscillation of Floating Body (Second)
- **v** Velocity (Meter per Second)
- **V** Volume of Fluid Displaced by Body (Cubic Meter)
- **V_T** Volume of Body Submerged in Water (Cubic Meter)
- **W** Weight of Displaced Fluid (Kilogram)
- **w₁** Movable Weight on Floating Vessel (Newton)
- **W_{fv}** Weight of Floating Vessel (Newton)
- **θ** Angle of Heel (Degree)
- **ρ** Density (Kilogram per Cubic Meter)
- **ρ_{df}** Density of Displaced Fluid (Kilogram per Cubic Meter)

Constants, Functions, Measurements used in list of Buoyancy Formulas above

- **constant(s): pi**, 3.14159265358979323846264338327950288
Archimedes' constant
- **constant(s): [g]**, 9.80665
Gravitational acceleration on Earth
- **Functions: atan**, atan(Number)
Inverse tan is used to calculate the angle by applying the tangent ratio of the angle, which is the opposite side divided by the adjacent side of the right triangle.
- **Functions: sqrt**, sqrt(Number)
A square root function is a function that takes a non-negative number as an input and returns the square root of the given input number.
- **Functions: tan**, tan(Angle)
The tangent of an angle is a trigonometric ratio of the length of the side opposite an angle to the length of the side adjacent to an angle in a right triangle.
- **Measurement: Length** in Meter (m)
Length Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Weight** in Kilogram (kg)
Weight Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Time** in Second (s)
Time Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Volume** in Cubic Meter (m³)
Volume Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Area** in Square Meter (m²)
Area Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Pressure** in Pascal (Pa)
Pressure Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Speed** in Meter per Second (m/s)
Speed Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Acceleration** in Meter per Square Second (m/s²)
Acceleration Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Force** in Newton (N)
Force Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Angle** in Degree (°)
Angle Unit Conversion 



- **Measurement: Density** in Kilogram per Cubic Meter (kg/m^3)
Density Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Second Moment of Area** in Meter⁴ (m^4)
Second Moment of Area Unit Conversion 



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