

# MECHANICS OF FLUIDS

Lecture 3 – Fluid Statics 2  
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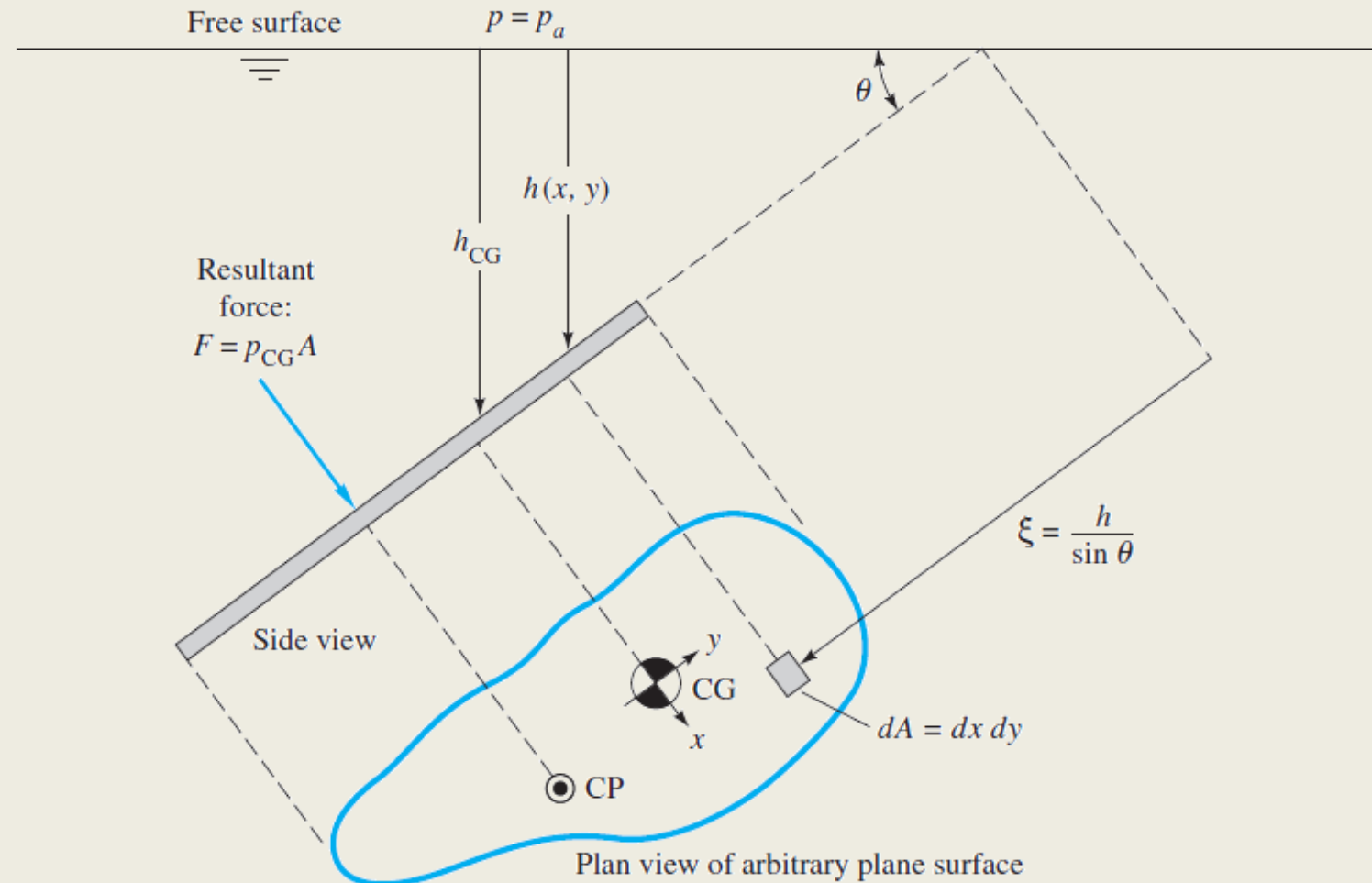
# Note

- All the art-work contents of this lecture are obtained from the following sources, unless otherwise stated:
  - *Fluid Mechanics, 8<sup>th</sup> edition, Frank M. White, McGraw-Hill, 2016.*
  - *Fluid Mechanics: Fundamental and Applications, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition, Yunus A. Cengel, John M. Cimbala, McGraw-Hill, 2014.*

# Pressure force on a plane surface

Pressure on  $dA$

$$p = p_a + \gamma h$$



# Pressure force on a plane surface

## ■ Total force on the plane

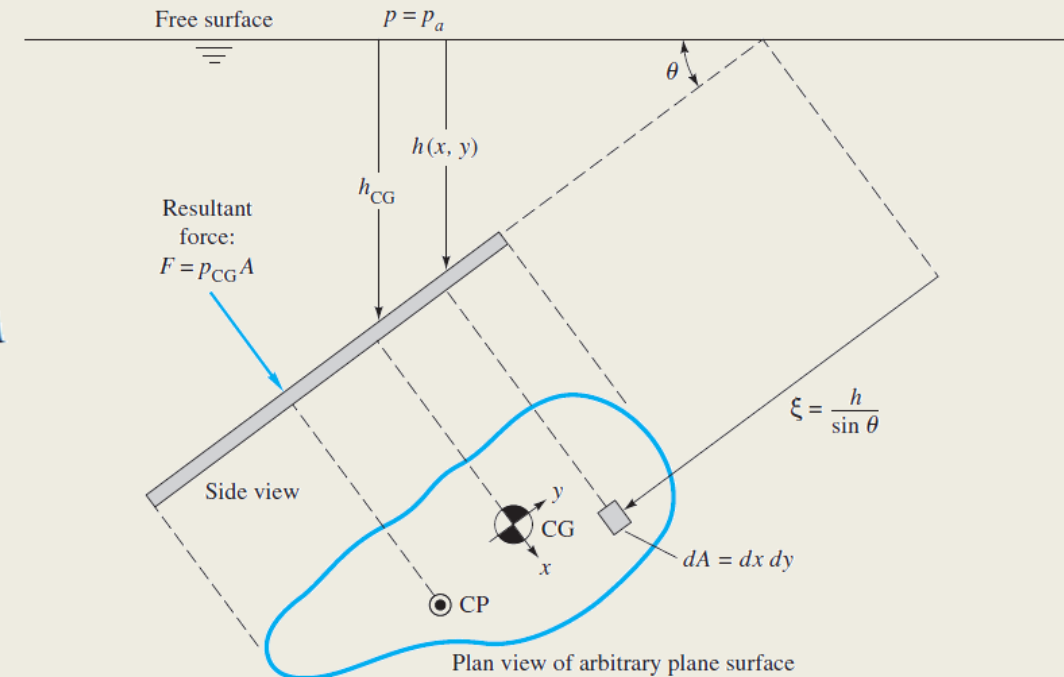
$$F = \int p \, dA = \int (p_a + \gamma h) \, dA = p_a A + \gamma \int h \, dA$$

$$h = \xi \sin \theta$$

$$F = p_a A + \gamma \sin \theta \int \xi \, dA = p_a A + \gamma \sin \theta \xi_{CG} A$$

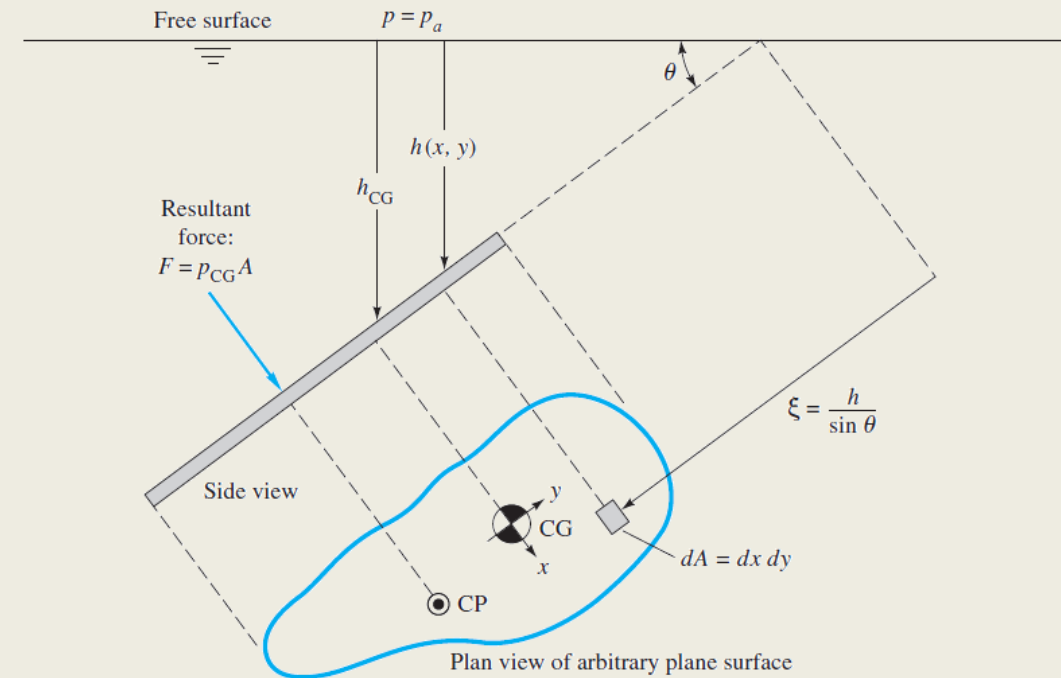
$$\xi_{CG} = \frac{1}{A} \int \xi \, dA$$

$$\xi_{CG} \sin \theta = h_{CG}$$



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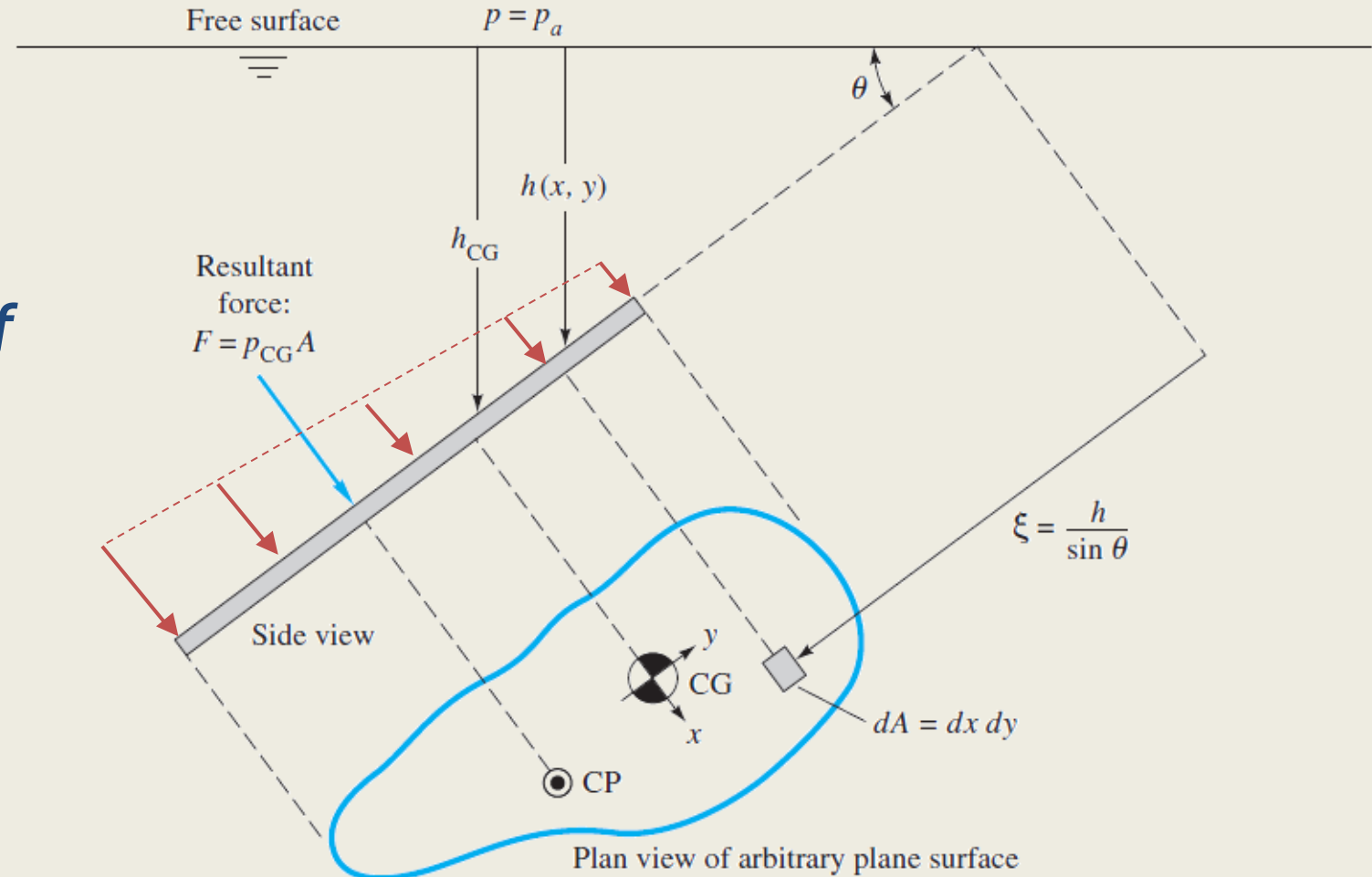
- The force is the sum of **atmospheric pressure force** plus the **column high of the liquid** from surface to the centroid of the plate.



$$F = p_a A + \gamma h_{CG} A = (p_a + \gamma h_{CG}) A = p_{CG} A$$

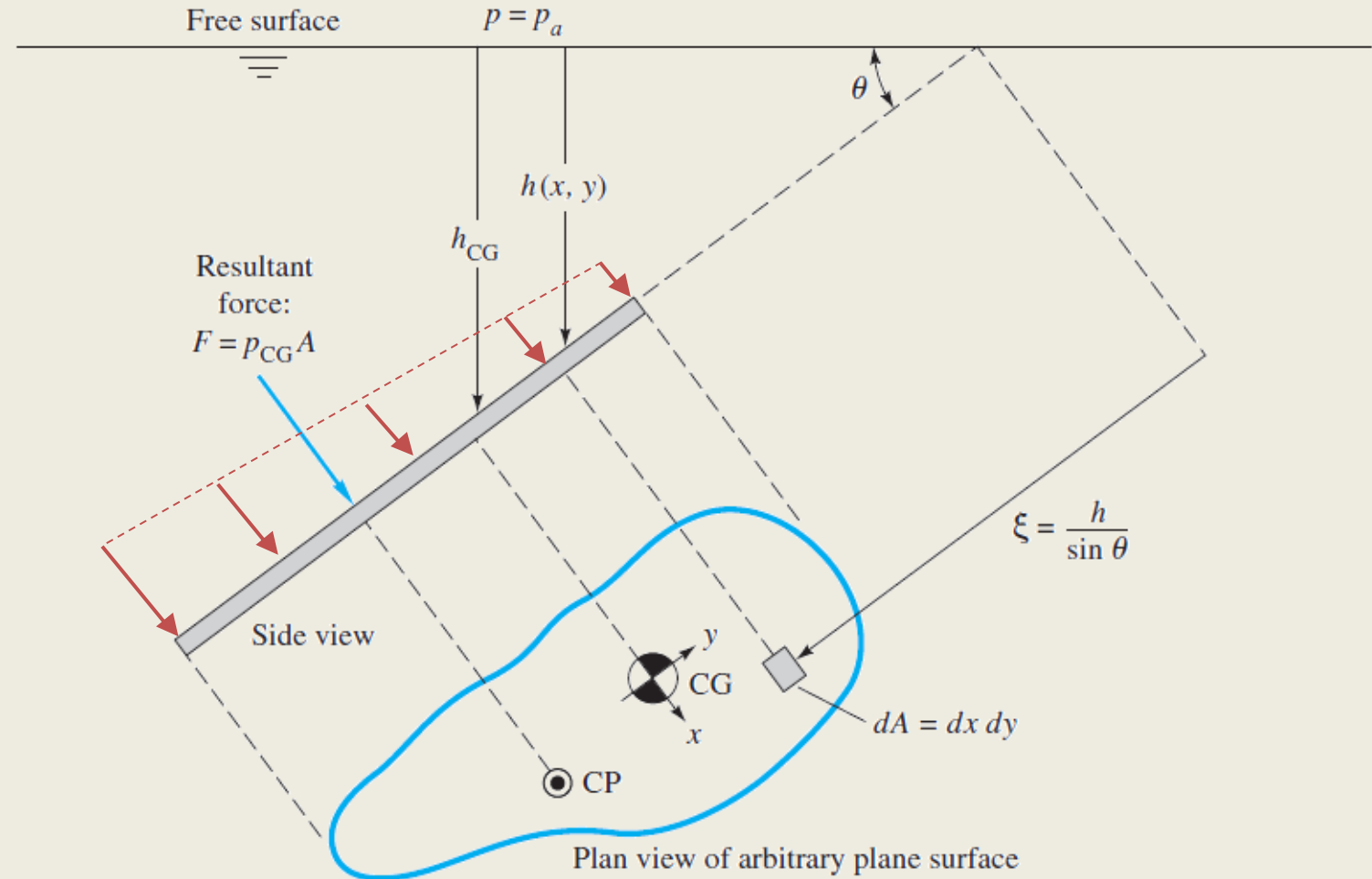
# Pressure force on a plane surface

- Center of pressure:
  - The point at which the total resultant force is acting is called the **center of pressure**



# Pressure force on a plane surface

- The total force is assumed to be acting on a point where the moment of the **total force around the CG is equal** to the sum of the moments of distributed pressure forces around the CG.



# Pressure force on a plane surface

$$F_{y_{CP}} = \int y p \, dA = \int y (p_a + \gamma \xi \sin \theta) \, dA = \gamma \sin \theta \int y \xi \, dA$$

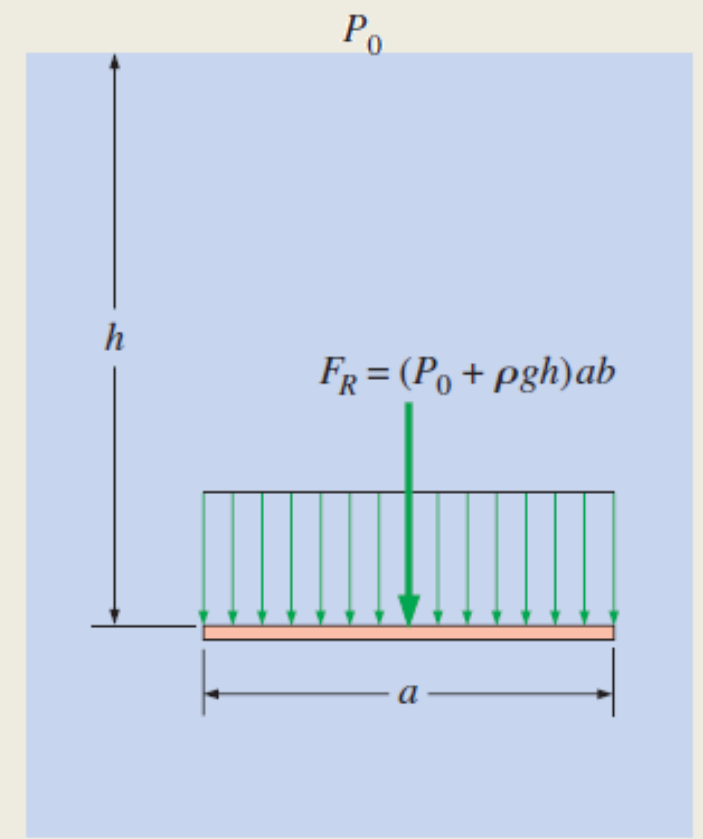
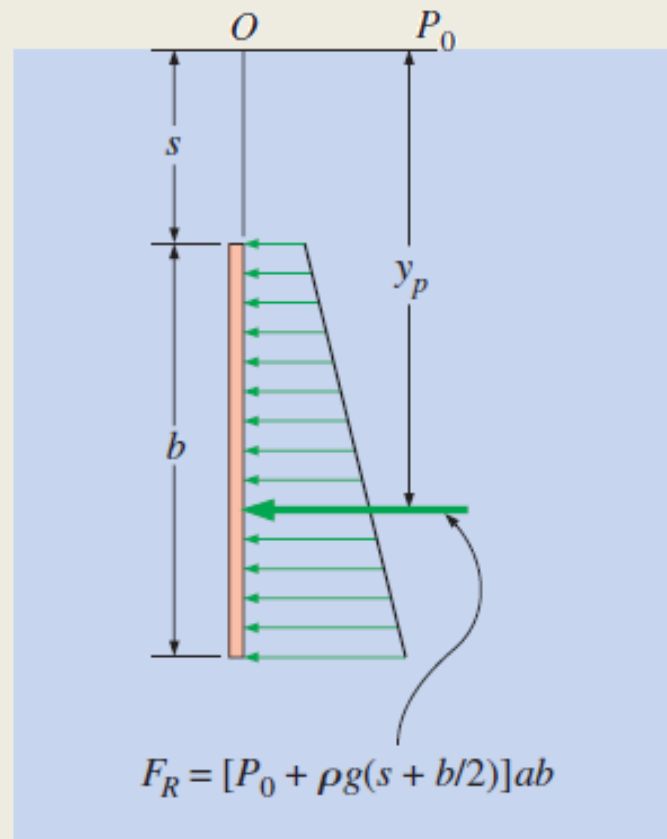
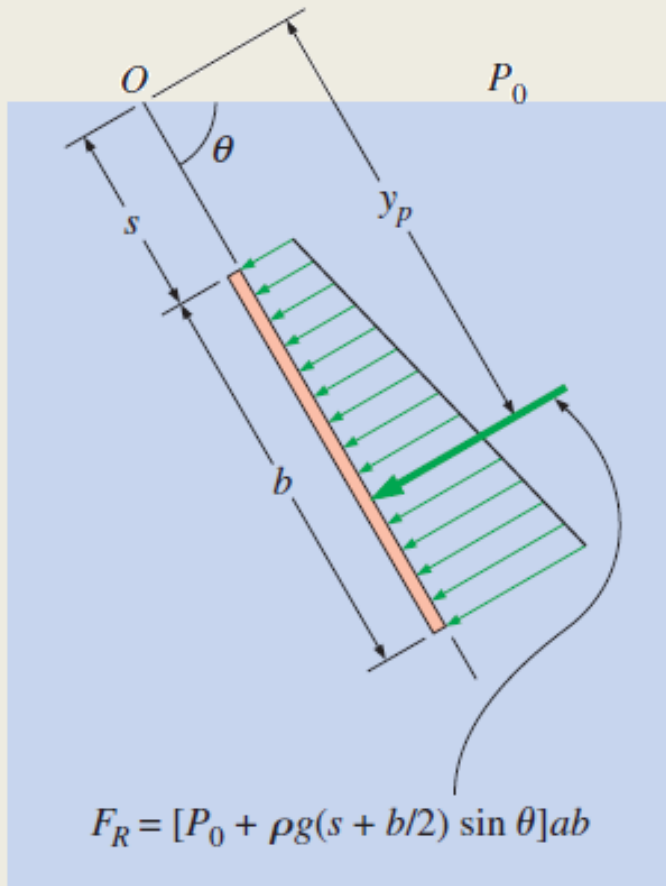
$\int p_a y \, dA = 0$ 
 $\xi = \xi_{CG} - y$

$$F_{y_{CP}} = \gamma \sin \theta \left( \underbrace{\xi_{CG}}_0 \int y \, dA - \int y^2 \, dA \right) = -\gamma \sin \theta I_{xx}$$

$$y_{CP} = -\gamma \sin \theta \frac{I_{xx}}{\rho_{CG} A}$$



# Pressure force on a plane surface



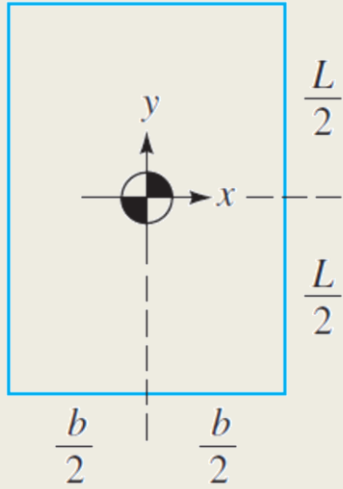
# Pressure force on a plane surface

- With a similar approach, we can find the  $x_{CP}$  (if there is asymmetry around  $y$  axis):

$$\begin{aligned} F_{x_{CP}} &= \int xp \, dA = \int x[p_a + \gamma(\xi_{CG} - y) \sin \theta] \, dA \\ &= -\gamma \sin \theta \int xy \, dA = -\gamma \sin \theta I_{xy} \end{aligned}$$

$$x_{CP} = -\gamma \sin \theta \frac{I_{xy}}{\rho_{CG} A}$$

# Pressure force on a plane surface



$$A = bL$$

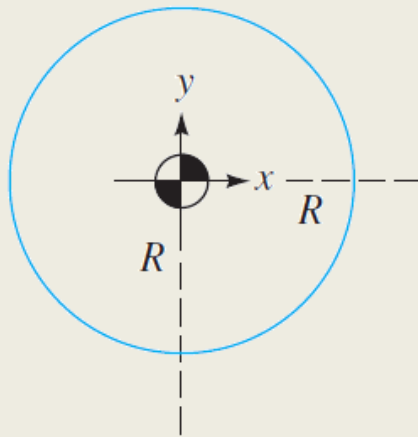
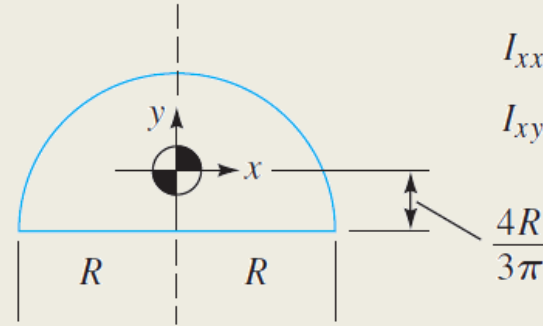
$$I_{xx} = \frac{bL^3}{12}$$

$$I_{xy} = 0$$

$$A = \frac{\pi R^2}{2}$$

$$I_{xx} = 0.10976R^4$$

$$I_{xy} = 0$$



$$A = \pi R^2$$

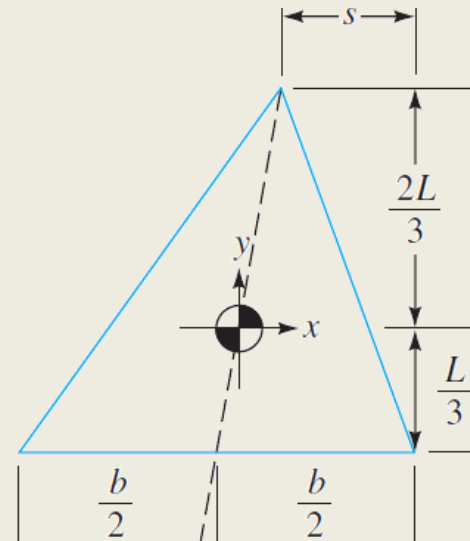
$$I_{xx} = \frac{\pi R^4}{4}$$

$$I_{xy} = 0$$

$$A = \frac{bL}{2}$$

$$I_{xx} = \frac{bL^3}{36}$$

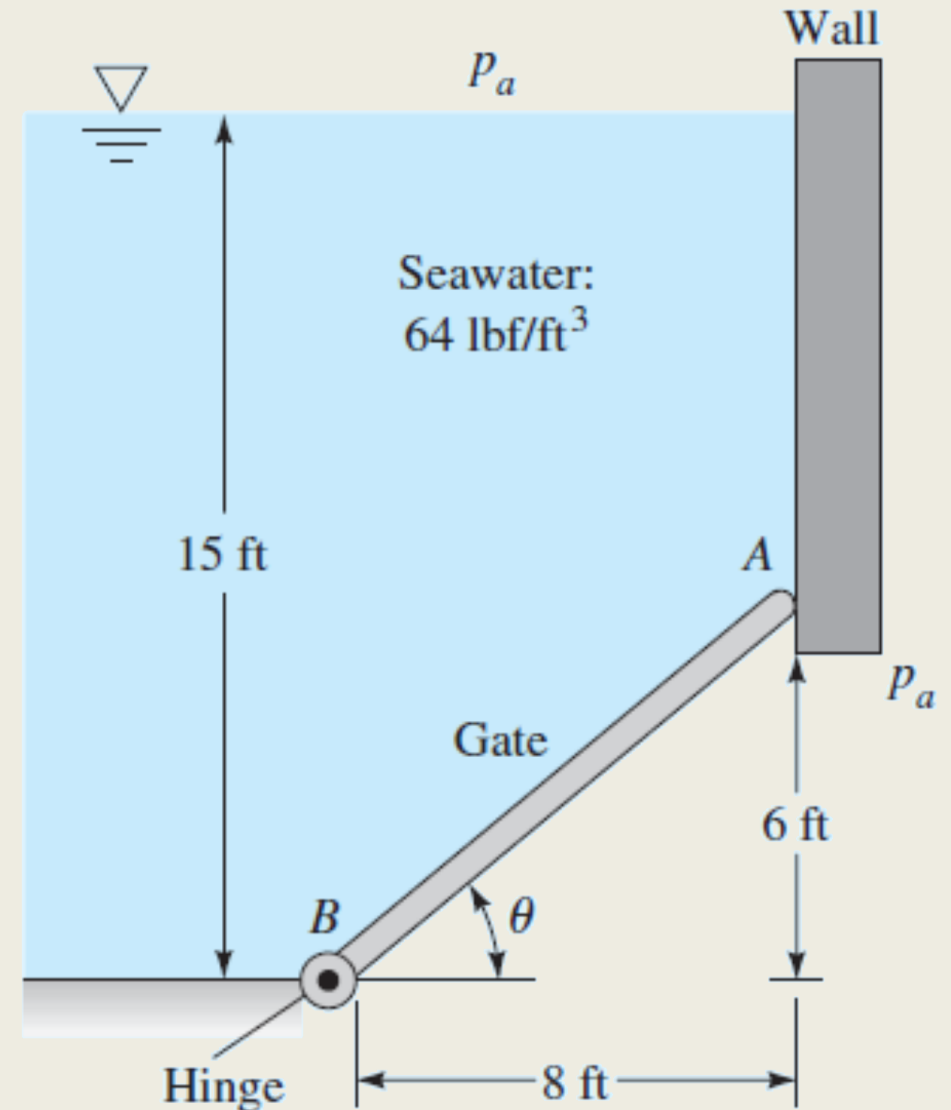
$$I_{xy} = \frac{b(b-2s)L^2}{72}$$



# Example 1

The gate shown in figure is 5 ft wide, is hinged at point  $B$ , and rests against a smooth wall at point  $A$ . Compute:

- 1) The force on the gate due to seawater pressure
- 2) The horizontal force  $P$  exerted by the wall at point  $A$
- 3) The reactions at the hinge  $B$



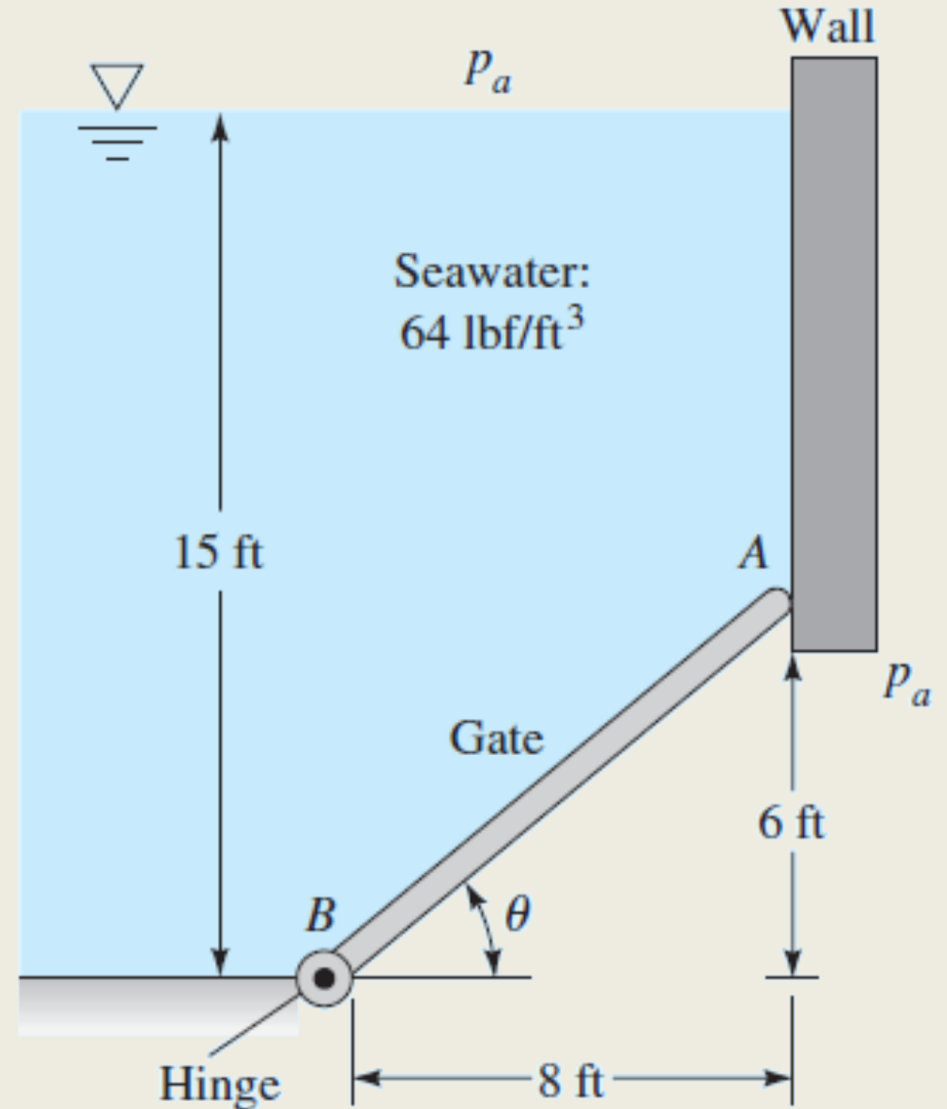
# Example 1

## ■ Part 1:

Plate area:  $A = 10 \times 5 = 50 \text{ ft}^2$

$h_{CG} = 9 + 3 = 12 \text{ ft}$

$F = \gamma h_{CG} A = 64 \text{ (lbf/ft}^3) \times 12 \text{ ft} \times 50 \text{ ft}^2$   
 $= 38400 \text{ lbf}$



# Example 1

## ■ Part 2:

- Center of pressure

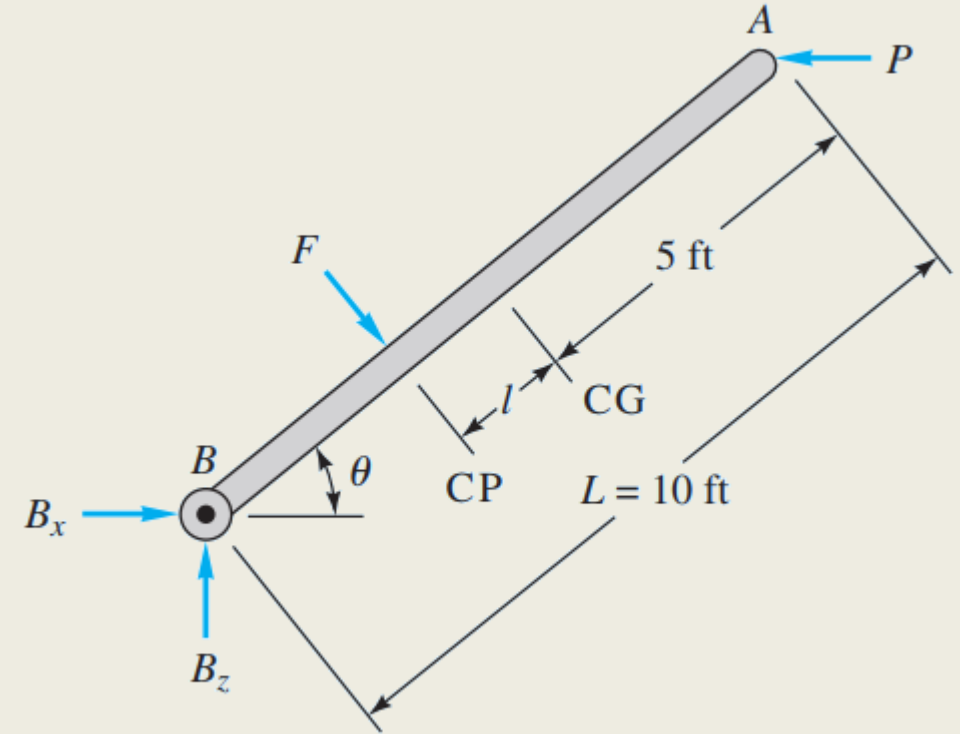
$$I_{xy} = 0 \text{ and } I_{xx} = \frac{bL^3}{12} = \frac{(5 \text{ ft})(10 \text{ ft})^3}{12} = 417 \text{ ft}^4$$

$$l = -y_{CP} = + \frac{I_{xx} \sin \theta}{h_{CG}A} = \frac{(417 \text{ ft}^4)(\frac{6}{10})}{(12 \text{ ft})(50 \text{ ft}^2)} = 0.417 \text{ ft}$$

- Calculating  $P$  by balancing moments around  $B$

$$PL \sin \theta - F(5 - l) = P(6 \text{ ft}) - (38,400 \text{ lbf})(4.583 \text{ ft}) = 0$$

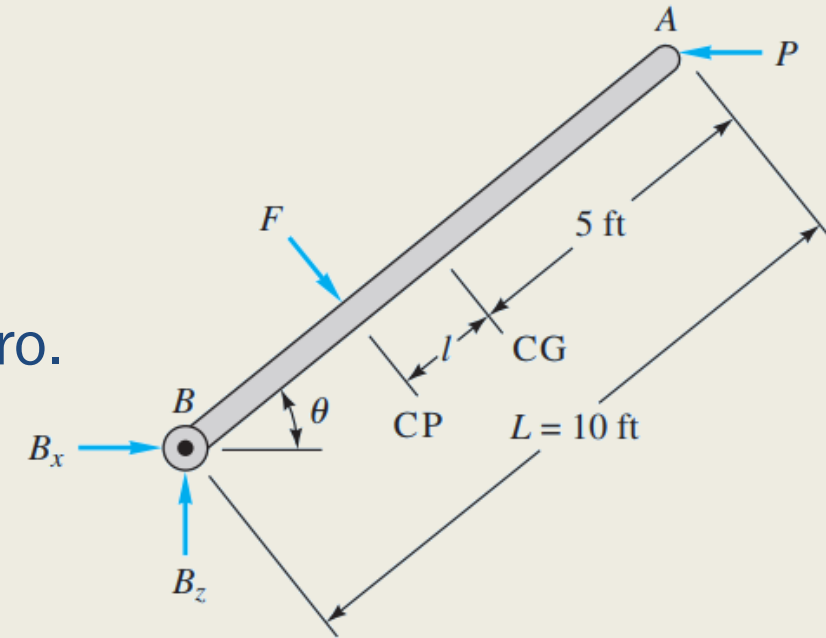
$$P = 29,300 \text{ lbf}$$



# Example 1

## ■ Part 3:

Since the gate is not moving (linearly), Sum of the horizontal and vertical forces on the gate should be zero.



$$\sum F_x = 0 = B_x + F \sin \theta - P = B_x + 38,400 \text{ lbf} (0.6) - 29,300 \text{ lbf}$$

$$B_x = 6300 \text{ lbf}$$

$$\sum F_z = 0 = B_z - F \cos \theta = B_z - 38,400 \text{ lbf} (0.8)$$

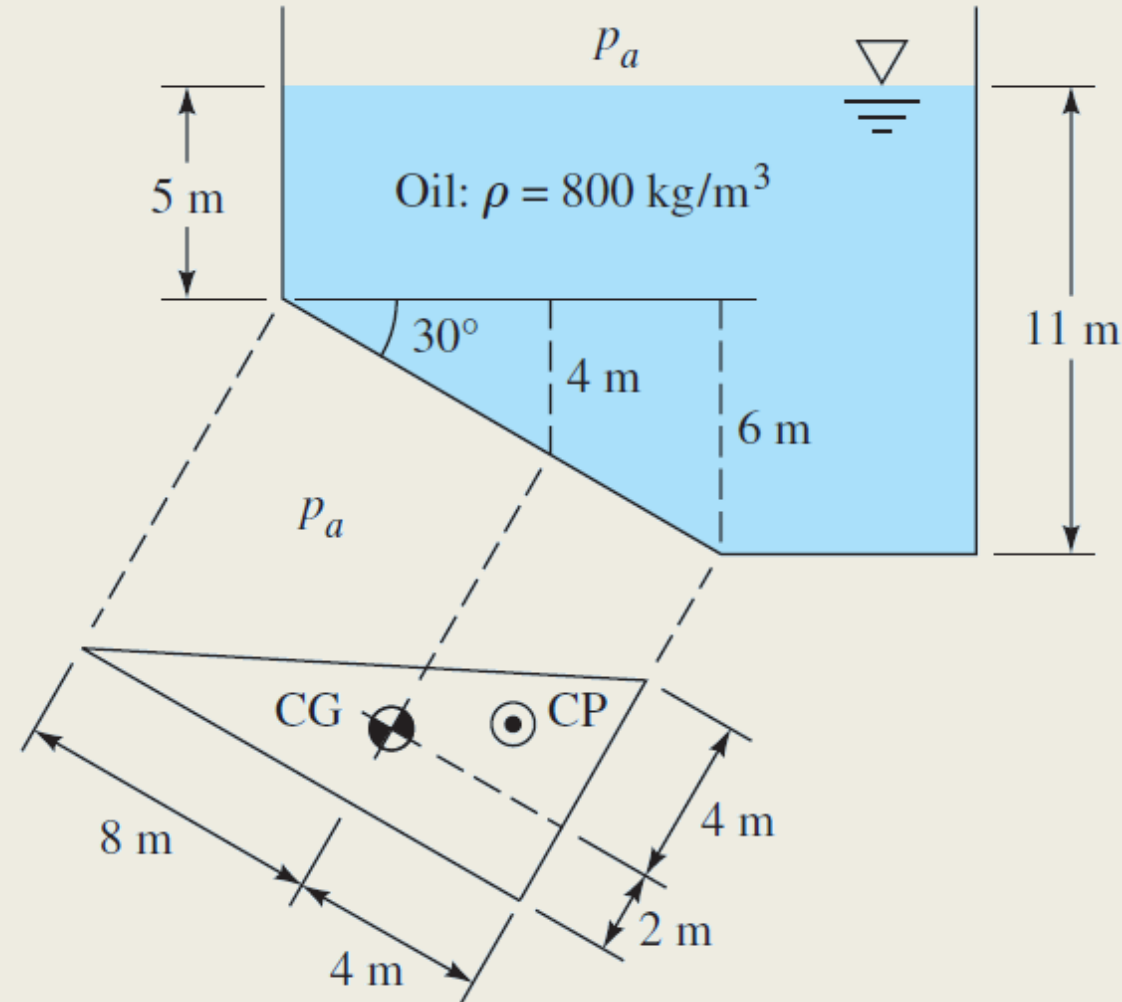
$$B_z = 30,700 \text{ lbf}$$

# Example 2

A tank of oil has a right-triangular panel near the bottom, omitting  $p_a$  find:

(a) the hydrostatic force

(b) the center of pressure on the panel





# Example 2

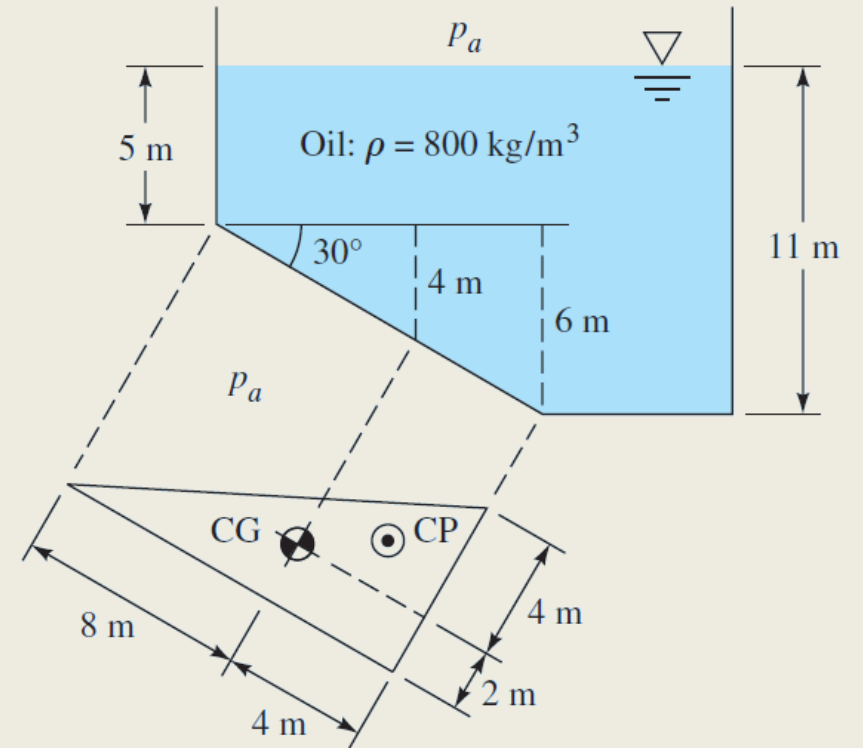
## Part A:

$$A = 0.5 \times 12\text{ m} \times 6\text{ m} = 36\text{ m}^2$$

$$h_{CG} = 5 + \frac{2}{3}6 = 9\text{ m}$$

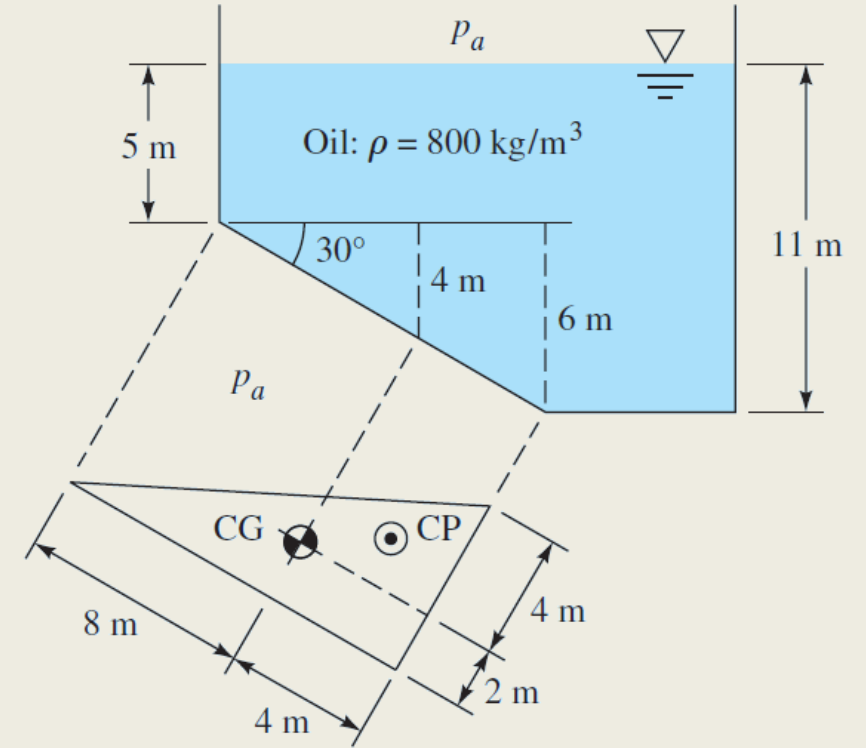
$$F = \rho g h_{CG} A = (800\text{ kg/m}^3)(9.807\text{ m/s}^2)(9\text{ m})(36\text{ m}^2)$$

$$= 2.54 \times 10^6\text{ (kg} \cdot \text{m)/s}^2 = 2.54 \times 10^6\text{ N} = 2.54\text{ MN}$$



# Example 2

## Part B:



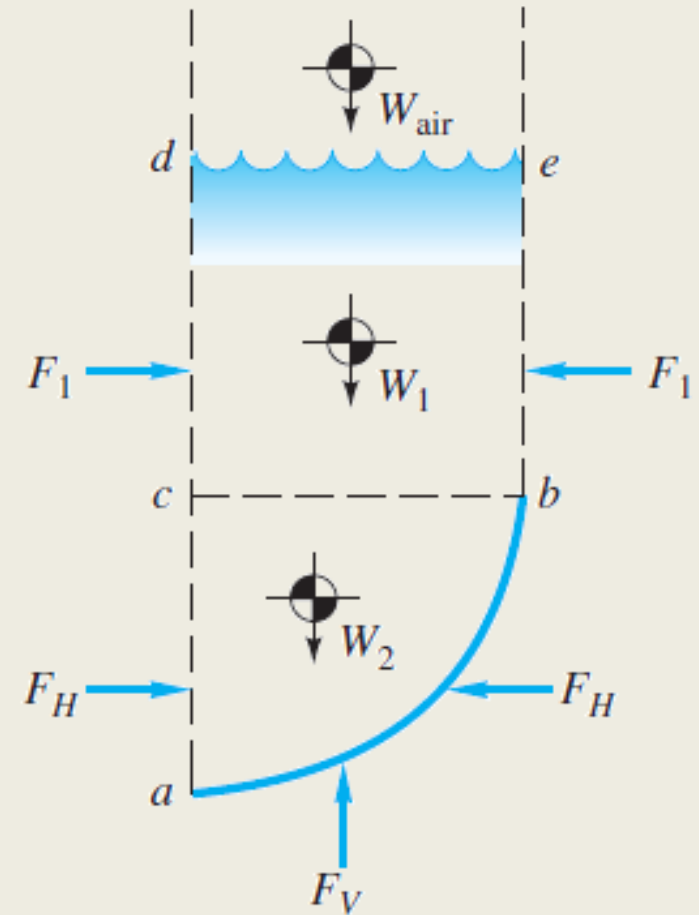
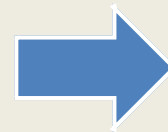
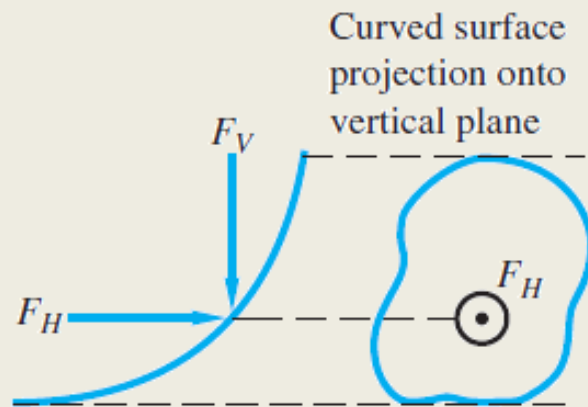
$$I_{xx} = \frac{bL^3}{36} = \frac{(6 \text{ m})(12 \text{ m})^3}{36} = 288 \text{ m}^4$$

$$I_{xy} = \frac{b(b - 2s)L^2}{72} = \frac{(6 \text{ m})[6 \text{ m} - 2(6 \text{ m})](12 \text{ m})^2}{72} = -72 \text{ m}^4$$

$$y_{CP} = -\frac{I_{xx} \sin \theta}{h_{CG}A} = -\frac{(288 \text{ m}^4)(\sin 30^\circ)}{(9 \text{ m})(36 \text{ m}^2)} = -0.444 \text{ m}$$

$$x_{CP} = -\frac{I_{xy} \sin \theta}{h_{CG}A} = -\frac{(-72 \text{ m}^4)(\sin 30^\circ)}{(9 \text{ m})(36 \text{ m}^2)} = +0.111 \text{ m}$$

# Pressure force on curved surfaces



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- **Horizontal component:**

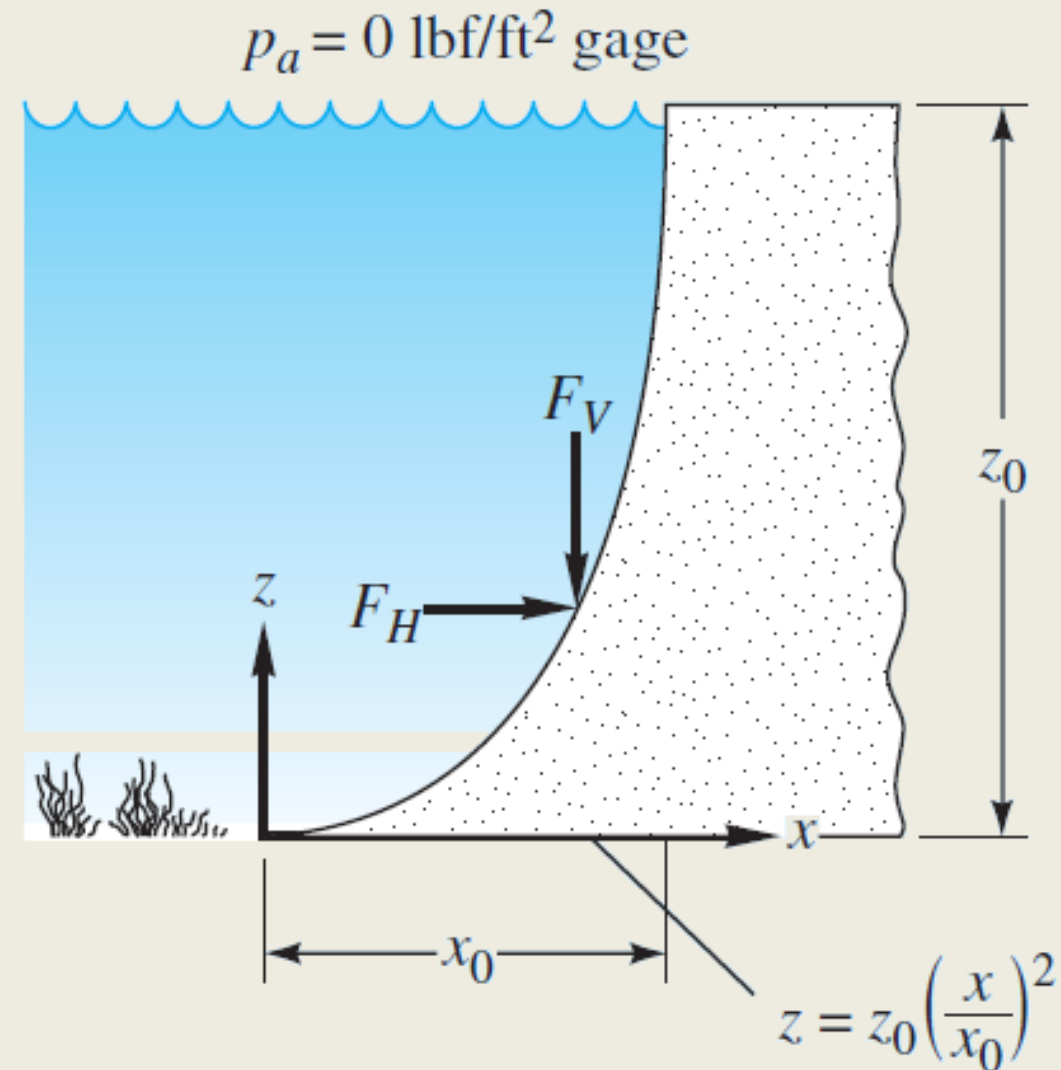
It equals the force on the plane area formed by the projection of the curved surface onto a vertical plane normal to the component.

- **Vertical component:**

It equals (in magnitude and direction) the weight of the entire column of fluid, both liquid and atmosphere, above the curved surface

# Example 3

Neglecting  $p_a$ , compute the vertical and horizontal forces on the dam with the width of 50 ft ( $x_0 = 10$  ft,  $z_0 = 24$  ft).



# Example 3

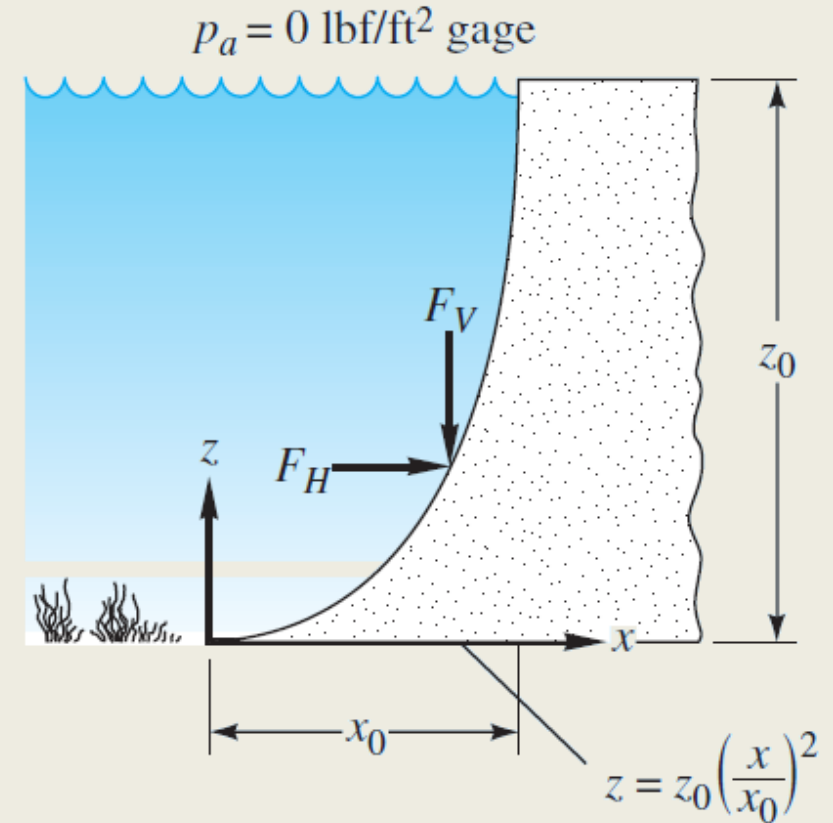
Horizontal force:

$$h_{CG} = 24/2 = 12 \text{ ft}$$

$$A_{proj} = 50 * 24 = 1200 \text{ ft}^2$$

$$F_H = \gamma h_{CG} A_{proj} = \left( 62.4 \frac{\text{lbf}}{\text{ft}^3} \right) (12 \text{ ft}) (1200 \text{ ft}^2) =$$

$$898,560 \text{ lbf} \approx 899 \times 10^3 \text{ lbf}$$



# Example 3

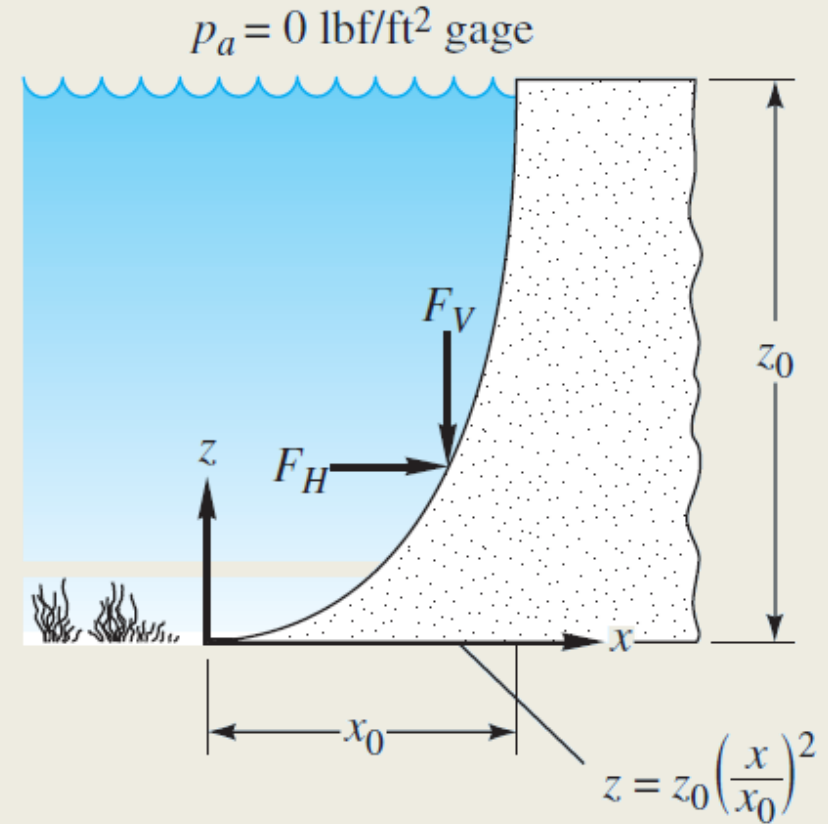
## Vertical force

$$Area = z_0 x_0 - \left( \int_0^{x_0} \frac{z_0 x^2}{x_0^2} dx \right)$$

$$Area = \frac{2}{3} z_0 x_0$$

$$F_V = \gamma A_{section} b = \left( 62.4 \frac{\text{lb}_f}{\text{ft}^3} \right) \left[ \frac{2}{3} (24 \text{ ft})(10 \text{ ft}) \right] (50 \text{ ft}) =$$

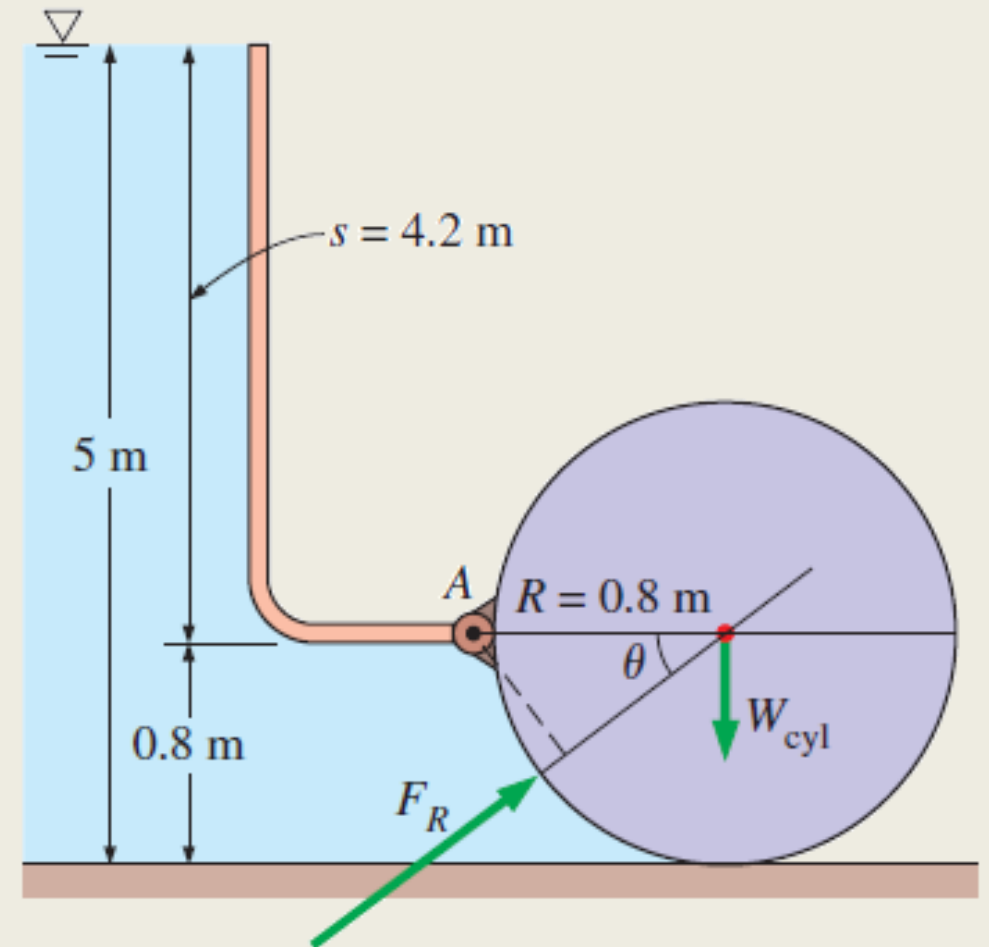
$$499,200 \text{ lb}_f \approx 499 \times 10^3 \text{ lb}_f$$



# Example 4

A long solid cylinder of radius 0.8 m hinged at point A is used as an automatic gate. When the water level reaches 5 m, the gate opens by turning about the hinge at point A. Determine:

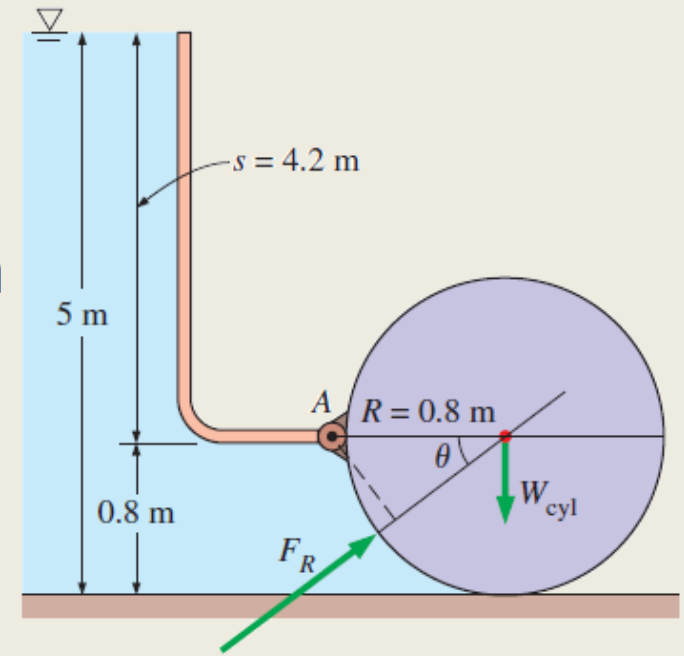
- the hydrostatic force acting on the cylinder and its line of action when the gate opens
- the weight of the cylinder per m length of the cylinder.



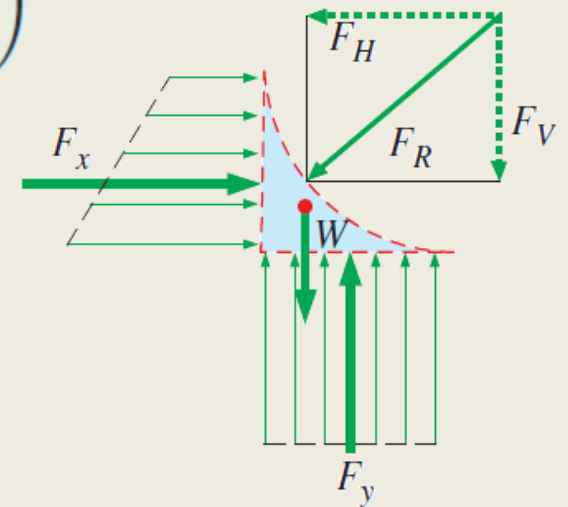


# Example 4

The horizontal force is the pressure force acting on the vertical projection of the cylinder (per 1 m of depth):



$$\begin{aligned}
 F_H = F_x &= P_{avg} A = \rho g h_C A = \rho g (s + R/2) A \\
 &= (1000 \text{ kg/m}^3)(9.81 \text{ m/s}^2)(4.2 + 0.8/2 \text{ m})(0.8 \text{ m} \times 1 \text{ m}) \left( \frac{1 \text{ kN}}{1000 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m/s}^2} \right) \\
 &= 36.1 \text{ kN}
 \end{aligned}$$



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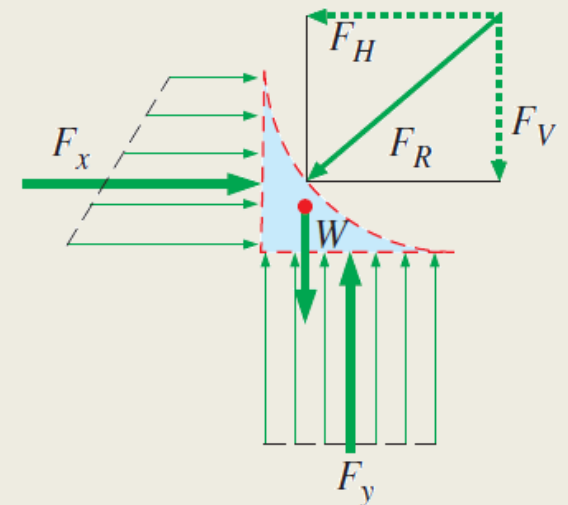
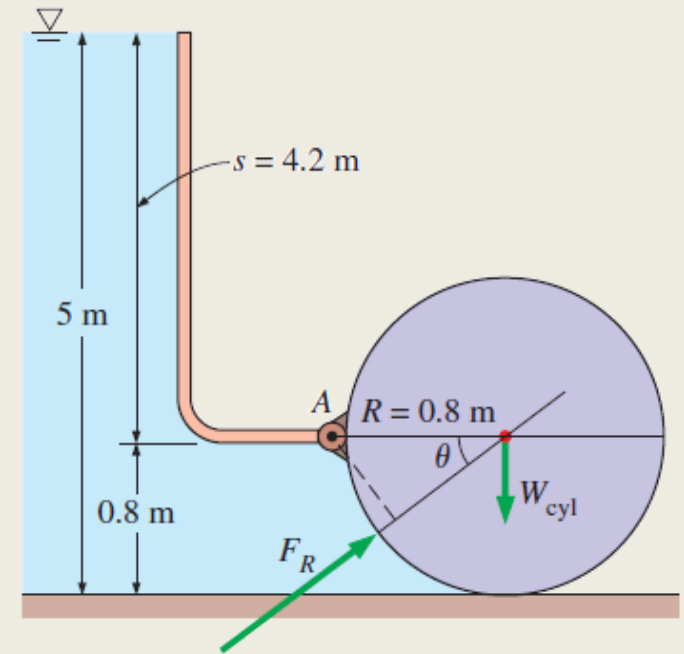
The vertical force is the weight of the fluid column above the surface. The volume above the surface is (per 1 m of depth):

$$\text{Vol} = (4.2 \times 0.8 + \pi/4 \times 0.8^2) \times 1 = 3.8624 \text{ m}^3$$

$$F_v = \text{Vol} \times \gamma = 3.8624 \text{ m}^3 \times 1000 \text{ kg/m}^3 \times 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2 = 37890 \text{ kg.m/s}^2 = 37.89 \text{ kN}$$

$$F_R = \sqrt{F_H^2 + F_V^2} = \sqrt{36.1^2 + 37.9^2} = \mathbf{52.3 \text{ kN}}$$

$$\tan \theta = F_V/F_H = 37.9/36.1 = 1.05 \rightarrow \theta = 46.4^\circ$$



# Example 4

Part (b): taking a moment around point A and equating it to zero (equilibrium):

$$F_R R \sin \theta - W_{\text{cyl}} R = 0 \rightarrow$$

$$W_{\text{cyl}} = F_R \sin \theta = (52.3 \text{ kN}) \sin 46.4^\circ = \mathbf{37.9 \text{ kN}}$$

