

Time dependence: Recall this earlier problem from class:

Using the integral form of momentum conservation, we discovered that the tension in the rope was:

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \rho g \pi d^2 y(t)$$

Obviously, the depth y is a function of time. We could now also apply the *mass* conservation equation to this problem:

$$0 = \frac{d}{dt} \int_{CV} \rho dV + \int \rho \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{A}.$$

Factoring out ρ , and substituting for the known \vec{V} :

$$0 = \rho \left(\underbrace{\frac{d}{dt} \int_{CV} dV}_{\text{Moving second term to other side...}} + \sqrt{2gy} \frac{\pi d^2}{4} \right)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{CV} \frac{\pi D^2}{4} dy = \frac{\pi D^2}{4} \frac{d}{dt} \int_{CV} dy = \frac{\pi D^2}{4} \frac{dy}{dt} = -\sqrt{2gy} \frac{\pi d^2}{4} \rightarrow \frac{dy}{dt} = -\sqrt{2gy} \frac{d^2}{D^2}.$$

This is a separable first order differential equation: $y^{\frac{1}{2}} dy = -\sqrt{2g} \frac{d^2}{D^2} dt$.

$$\text{Integrating both sides: } 2y^{\frac{1}{2}} \Big|_{y=h}^y = -\sqrt{2g} \frac{d^2}{D^2} t \Big|_0^t \rightarrow 2y^{\frac{1}{2}} - 2h^{\frac{1}{2}} = -\sqrt{2g} \frac{d^2}{D^2} t$$

$$\text{Solving for } y: y(t) = \left(h^{\frac{1}{2}} - \sqrt{\frac{g}{2}} \frac{d^2}{D^2} t \right)^2.$$

$$\text{This could be combined with the above expression for tension: } T(t) = \frac{1}{2} \rho g \pi d^2 \left(h^{\frac{1}{2}} - \sqrt{\frac{g}{2}} \frac{d^2}{D^2} t \right)^2.$$

The depth and tension are plotted here, versus time:

