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Q1

$$1- \gamma_{sat} = \gamma_{dry} + \left( \frac{e}{1+e} \right) \gamma_w$$

assume  $V_s = 1$

$$e = \frac{V_v}{V_s} = V_v \rightarrow V = 1 + e$$

$$W_s = G_s \gamma_w$$

$$W' = \frac{W_w}{W_s} \rightarrow W_w = W' \cdot W_s$$

$$\gamma_{sat} = \frac{W_s + \gamma_w V_v}{V} \rightarrow \frac{W_s}{V} + \frac{\gamma_w V_v}{V} \rightarrow \left[ \gamma_{dry} + \left( \frac{e}{1+e} \right) \gamma_w \right]$$

weight	BD	Volume
	air	$e+1$
$W_w = W' \cdot W_s$	water	$V_v = e$
$W_s = \gamma_w G_s$	solid	$V_s = 1$

$$2- \gamma_{dry} = \frac{e S \gamma_w}{(1+e) w}$$

assume  $V_s = 1$   
 $V_v = e \rightarrow V = 1 + e$

$$\gamma_{dry} = \frac{W_s}{V} = \frac{G_s \gamma_w}{1+e}$$

$$\frac{W_s}{V} = \frac{W_w}{W' \cdot (1+e)} = \frac{V_v \cdot \gamma_w}{(1+e) w}$$

$$V_w = S \cdot W = S \cdot e \rightarrow \frac{S e \gamma_w}{(1+e) w}$$

	BD	Volume
	air	$V = 1+e$
$W_w = W' \cdot W_s$	water	$V_v = e$
$W_s = G_s \gamma_w$	solid	$V_s = 1$

$$e = \frac{\gamma_{sat} - \gamma_{dry}}{\gamma_{dry} - \gamma_{sat} + \gamma_w}$$

assume  $V_s = 1$

$$\gamma_{dry} = \frac{W_s}{V} = \frac{G_s \gamma_w}{1+e} \rightarrow \frac{G_s \gamma_w}{1+e} = \gamma_d \cdot V$$

$$\gamma_{sat} = \frac{W_s + W' \gamma_w}{V} = \frac{G_s \gamma_w + V_v \gamma_w}{V}$$

$$\left[ \gamma_{sat} \cdot V - V_v \gamma_w = G_s \gamma_w \right] \rightarrow V = 1 + e \rightarrow V_v = e$$

$$G_s \gamma_w = G_s \gamma_w \rightarrow \gamma_{sat} (1+e) - \gamma_w e = \gamma_d (1+e)$$

$$\rightarrow \gamma_{sat} e - \gamma_{sat} - \gamma_w e = \gamma_d + e \gamma_d \rightarrow e (\gamma_{sat} + \gamma_w + \gamma_d) - \gamma_{sat} + \gamma_d = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow e = \frac{(\gamma_{sat} - \gamma_{dry})}{(\gamma_{dry} - \gamma_{sat} + \gamma_w)}$$

	BD	Volume
	air	$V = 1+e$
$W_w = W' \cdot W_s$	water	$V_v = e$
$W_s = G_s \gamma_w$	solid	$V_s = 1$

-4  $W_{sat} = \frac{n}{w}$  assume  $V=1$

$$V_{sat} = \frac{n(1+W_{sat})}{W_{sat}} \gamma_w \rightarrow \frac{n \gamma_w + n W_{sat} \gamma_w}{W_{sat}}$$

$$W_{sat} = \frac{n \gamma_w}{\frac{n \gamma_w + n W_{sat} \gamma_w}{W_{sat}} - \frac{(n \gamma_w W_{sat})}{W_{sat}}}$$

$$W_{sat} = \frac{n \gamma_w}{\frac{n \gamma_w}{W_{sat}}} \rightarrow W_{sat} = W_{sat}$$

Q2

$W_i = 0.14$ ,  $G.S. = 2.69$ ,  $\gamma_B = 17.8 \text{ kN/m}^3$

$V_{total} = 1 \text{ m}^3$

$$\gamma_B = \frac{W}{V} \Rightarrow 17.8 = \frac{W}{1} \rightarrow W = 17.8 \text{ kN}$$

$$W = W_s + W_w \rightarrow W_w = 0.14 W_s \rightarrow 17.8 = 1.14 W_s$$

$$\Rightarrow W_s = 15.6 \text{ kN} \quad W_w = 0.14(15.6) = 2.18 \text{ kN}$$

-  $\gamma_{dry} = \frac{W_s}{V} = 15.6 \text{ kN/m}^3$

-  $e = \frac{V_v}{V_s} \Rightarrow G.S. = \frac{\gamma_s}{\gamma_w} \rightarrow 26.9 = \frac{\gamma_s}{\gamma_w}$

$$\gamma_s = \frac{W_s}{V_s} \rightarrow 26.9 = \frac{15.6}{V_s} \Rightarrow V_s = 0.58 \text{ m}^3$$

$$1 - V_s \rightarrow 1 - 0.58 = 0.42 \text{ m}^3 = V_v$$

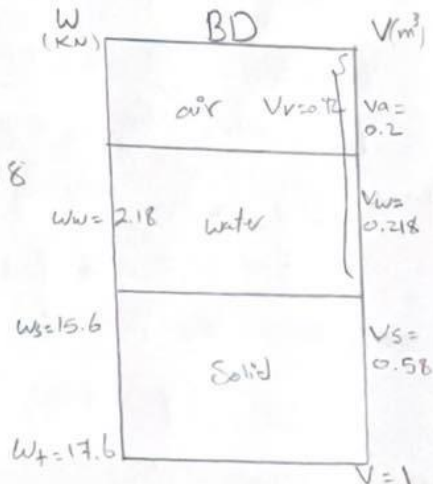
$$e = \frac{0.42}{0.58} = 0.724$$

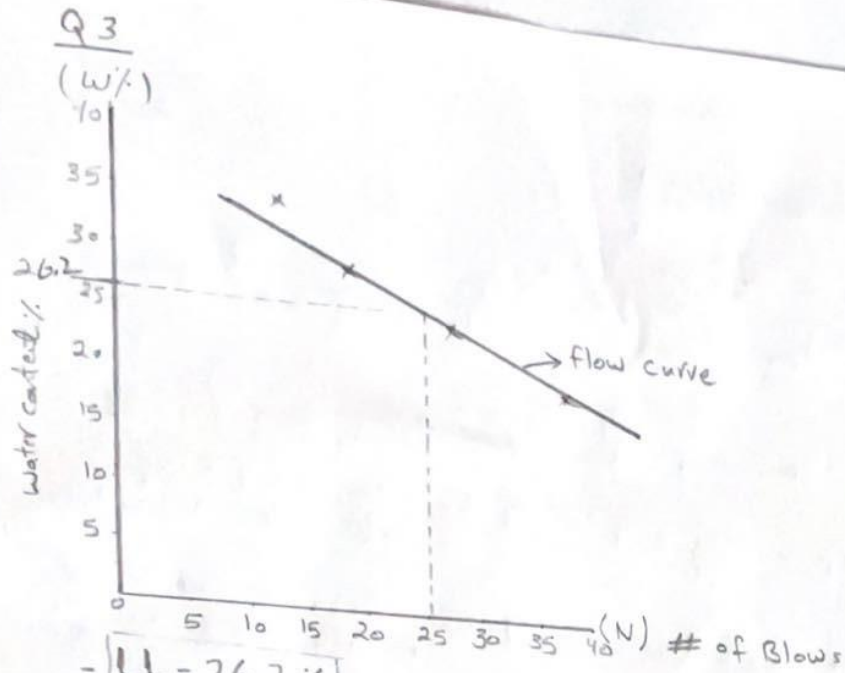
-  $S = \frac{V_w}{V_v} \Rightarrow \gamma_w = \frac{W_w}{V_w} \Rightarrow 10(W_w) = 2.18$

$$V_w = 0.218 \text{ m}^3$$

$$S = \frac{0.218}{0.42} = 0.52 \times 100$$

$$\boxed{52\%}$$





$$- LL = 26.2\%$$

$$- PI = LL - PL \rightarrow 6.5 = 26.2 - PL$$

$$(PL = 19.7\%)$$

$$- LI = \frac{23.8 - 19.7}{26.2 - 19.7} = \frac{4.1}{6.5} = 0.6307 \approx 0.631\%$$

Q4

Sample #1

$$- SL = \left( \frac{37.28}{28} \right) 100 - \left( \frac{19.3 - 16}{28} \right) (100)(1) = 32.1 - 11.8 = 20.3\%$$

$$- SR = \frac{28}{16 \times 1} = 1.75$$

Sample #2

$$- SL = \left( \frac{47.5 - 34.6}{34.6} \right) \times 100 - \left( \frac{20.6 - 13.8}{34.6} \right) \times 100 \times 1 =$$

$$\rightarrow 37.3 - 19.7 = 17.6\%$$

$$- SR = \frac{34.6}{13.8 \times 1} = 2.5$$

Q5

#1 AASHTO classification systems -

1- passing #200 &gt; 35 → Secord table

$$A-6(9.5) \text{ poor clayey soil} \quad GI = (50-35)(0.2 + 0.005(38-10)) + 0.01(50-15)(29-10) = 9.5$$

2- passing #200 &gt; 35

$$A-7-5(21) \text{ poor clayey soil} \quad GI = (80-35)(0.2 + 0.005(56-10)) + 0.01(80-15)(23-10) = 21$$

3- passing #200 &gt; 35

$$A-6(11.6) \text{ poor clayey soil} \quad GI = (65-35)(0.2 + 0.005(37-10)) + 0.01(65-15)(22-10) = 11.6$$

4- passing #200 &gt; 35

$$A-6(0) \text{ poor clayey soil} \quad GI = (45-35)(0.2 + 0.005(28-10)) + 0.01(45-15)(20-10) = 0$$

5- passing #200 &gt; 35

$$A-7-6(0.165) \text{ poor clayey soil} \quad GI = (62-35)(0.2 + 0.005(43-10)) + 0.01(62-15)(28-10) = 0.165$$

#2 USCS classification systems -

1- passing #200 &gt; 50 → plasticity chart

CL :- Inorganic clay with low plasticity.

2- passing #200 &gt; 50

CH :- Inorganic clay with High plasticity.

3- passing #200 &gt; 50

CL :- Inorganic clay with low plasticity.

4- passing #200 &lt; 50 → coarse

Sand

5- passing #200 &gt; 50 → fine

CL :- Inorganic clay with low plasticity.