

320553(20)

BE (5th Semester)
Examination, Nov.-Dec., 2018
(New Scheme)

Geotech Engineering - I

Time Allowed : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 80

Minimum Pass Marks : 28

Note : (i) Part (a) of each question is compulsory carrying 2 marks each. Solve any **two** from remaining (b), (c), (d) carrying 7 marks each.
(ii) Take $\gamma_w = 10 \text{ kN/m}^3$, $\rho_w = 1 \text{ g/cm}^3$

Unit-I

1. (a) If the porosity of the soil sample is 20%, the void ratio is [2]
(i) 0.20 (ii) 0.80 (iii) 1.00 (iv) 0.25
(b) An airport runway fill needs $600,000 \text{ m}^3$ of the soil compacted to a void ratio of 0.75. There are two borrow pits A and B from where the required soil can be taken and transported to the site.

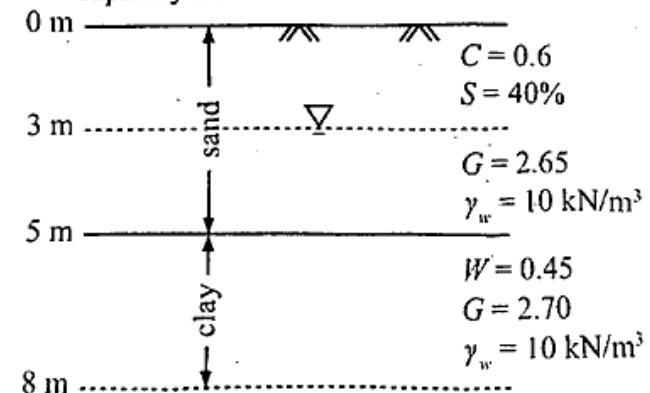
Borrow pit	In situ void ratio	Transportation cost
A	0.80	Rs 10/m ³
B	1.70	Rs 5/m ³

Which of the two borrow pits would be more economical? [7]

- (c) A partially saturated sample from a borrow pit has a natural moisture content of 15% and bulk density of 1.9 g/cc . The specific gravity of solids is 2.70. Determine the degree of saturation and void ratio. What will be the unit weight of the sample (kN/m^3) of the sample on saturation? [7]
(d) Describe liquid limit, plastic limit, shrinkage limit and plasticity index. [7]

Unit-II

2. (a) The coefficient of curvature is defined as [2]
(i) D_{60}/D_{10} (ii) D_{10}/D_{60}
(iii) $D_{30}^2/D_{60}D_{10}$ (iv) $\frac{D_{10}^2}{D_{30}^2}$
(b) Explain IS system of soil classification. [7]
(c) What is the condition, when water is flowing upward direction in soil? Explain. [7]
(d) For the subsoil conditions shown in Fig. draw the total, neutral and effective stress diagrams up to a depth of 8 m. Neglect capillary flow. [7]



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Unit-III

3. (a) According to Darcy's law for flow through porous media the velocity is proportional to [2]
 (i) effective stress (ii) hydraulic gradient
 (iii) cohesion (iv) stability number
- (b) Derive expression for average permeability: [7]
 Case 1: Parallel to bedding planes
 Case 2: Perpendicular to bedding planes.
- (c) Define MDD and OMC, during watering process in subgrade layer of highway. What are their importance? [7]
- (d) Given data:

Maximum dry density	1.8 g/cc or 1.8 g/cm ³
OMC	16%
G	2.65
ρ_w	1 g/cm ³

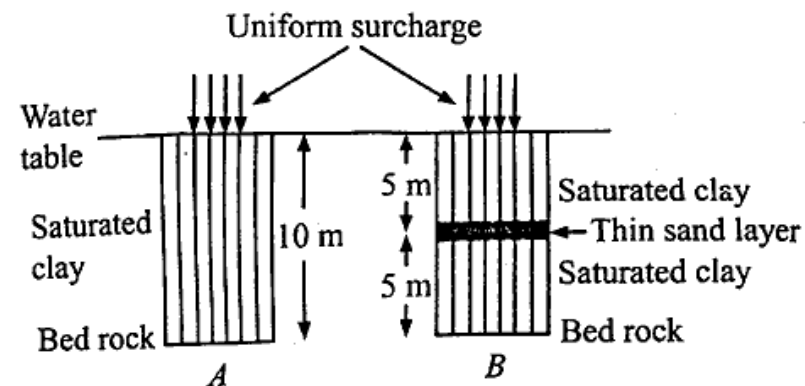
What is the degree of saturation?

What is the maximum dry density it can further compacted to? [7]

Unit-IV

4. (a) The unit of coefficient of consolidation is: [2]
 (i) cm²/gm (ii) cm²/sec
 (iii) gm/cm²/sec (iv) gm-cm/sec
- (b) Explain Newmark's influence chart. [7]
- (c) Differentiate between compaction and consolidation. [7]
- (d) According to Fig. primary consolidation at A is estimated to complete in 36 months. What would be the corresponding time for completion of primary consolidation at B? [7]

[4]



Unit-V

5. (a) For a sample of dry, cohesionless soil with friction angle ϕ , the failure plane will be inclined to the major principal plane by an angle equal to [2]
 (i) ϕ (ii) 45°
 (iii) $45^\circ - \phi/2$ (iv) $45^\circ + \phi/2$
- (b) Give lists of various methods of driving holes for subsurface investigations. [7]
- (c) Describe the test procedure of direct shear test. [7]

- (d) Given data:

Name	Value
Major principal stress	300 kN/m ²
Minor principal stress	100 kN/m ²

If, for the same soil, the minor principal stress has been 200 kN/m², determine the major principal stress for [7]

- (i) $\phi = 30^\circ$ (ii) $\phi = 0^\circ$

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