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Answer all questions (1) ~ (5) on the separate answer sheet. The density of water is $\rho_w=1.00(\text{g/cm}^3)$ and the water unit weight is $\gamma_w=9.8(\text{kN/m}^3)$.

(1) A 1.62 (kg) of dry soil is poured into a Eureka can and displaces 600 (cm^3) of water (see Fig. 1). Find the density of soil particles ρ_s (g/cm^3).

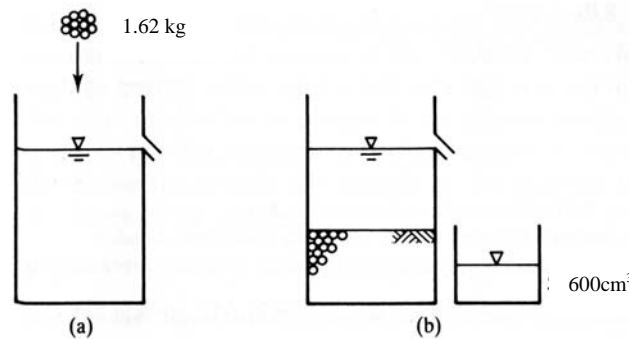


Fig.1

A 162 (g) of the same dry soil is poured uniformly into an empty impermeable metal container occupied 180 (cm^3) (see Fig.2).

The area of the inside cross section of the container is $A=30.0$ (cm^2). Find the void ratio e of the dry soil in the container.

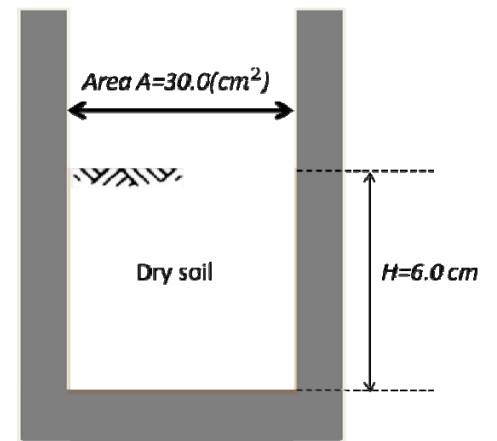


Fig.2

(2) Table 1 shows the results of the density test and water contents test of soil.

Find the density of soil particle $\rho_s(\text{g/cm}^3)$, wet density of soil $\rho_w(\text{g/cm}^3)$, water content $w(\%)$, dry density of soil $\rho_d(\text{g/cm}^3)$, void ratio e and saturation ratio $S_r(\%)$.

Types of test	Results	
Density of grains	Volume of the soil particle	11.06 cm^3
Water content	Mass of the wet specimen and container	92.58 g
Wet density	Mass of the specimen and container after drying at 105°C	78.95 g
	Mass of the container	49.32 g
	Volume of the wet specimen	26.22 cm^3

(3) Fig. 2 shows the state of stresses in an element of soil. (Positive shear stress and angles indicate counterclockwise direction.)

1) Calculate the maximum and minimum principal stresses $\sigma_1(\text{kPa})$ and $\sigma_3(\text{kPa})$.

2) Calculate the angle α (degrees) formed by the plane of the maximum principal stress and the horizontal plane.

3) The angle between plane A and horizontal plane within an element of soil is +45 degrees as shown in Fig. 2. Calculate normal and shear stresses $\sigma_A(\text{kPa})$ and $\tau_A(\text{kPa})$ acting on the plane A.

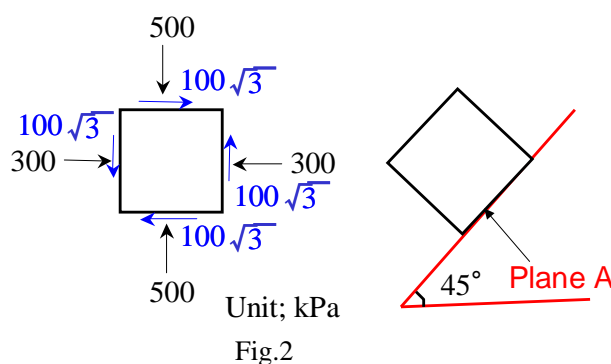


Fig.2

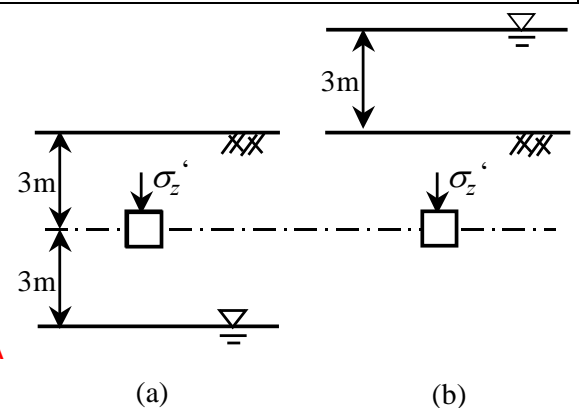


Fig.3

(4) The deep clay deposit in Fig.3 has unit weight $\gamma_{\text{sat}}=20(\text{kN/m}^3)$ and the soil remains saturated if the pore pressures become negative.

1) When water table is 6 m below ground level as shown in Fig.3(a), find the normal effective stress $\sigma'_{zA}(\text{kN/m}^2)$ at a depth of 3m .

2) When water table is 3 m above ground level as shown in Fig.3(b), find the normal effective stress $\sigma'_{zB}(\text{kN/m}^2)$ at a depth of 3m.

(5) Fig.4 shows the one-dimensional water flow in the sand specimen. Datum line of potential water head z is at the central depth of the sand specimen.

Find the total water head $h_a(\text{m})$, $h_b(\text{m})$ and water flow volume $Q(\text{m}^3/\text{s})$.

End of questions.

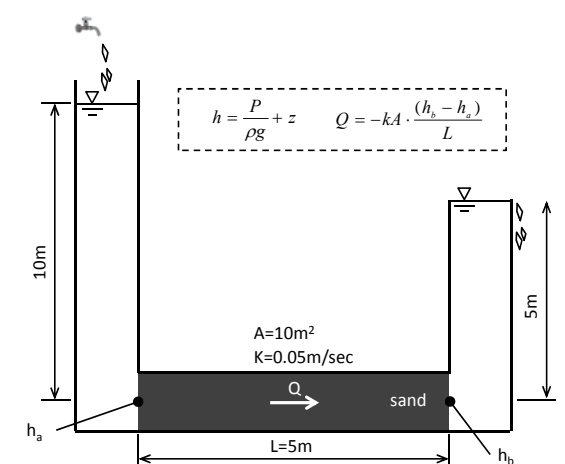


Fig.4

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Question No. (1)

$$\rho_s = \frac{1620(\text{g})}{600(\text{m}^3)} = 2.7(\text{g}/\text{cm}^3), \quad e = \frac{v_v}{v_s} = \frac{120}{60} = 2.0$$

Question No. (2)

$$\rho_s = 2.68(\text{g}/\text{cm}^3), \rho_t = \frac{92.58 - 49.32}{26.22} = 1.65(\text{g}/\text{cm}^3), w = \frac{m_w}{m_s} \times 100 = 46.0(\%),$$

$$\rho_d = \frac{m_s}{V} = 1.13(\text{g}/\text{cm}^3), e = \frac{V_v}{V_s} = 1.37, Sr = \frac{13.63}{15.16} \times 100 = 89.9(\%)$$

Question No. (3)

$$(1)\sigma_1 = 600(\text{kPa}), \sigma_3 = 200(\text{kPa}), (2)\alpha = +30(^{\circ}), (3)\sigma_A = 400 + 100\sqrt{3} = 573.2(\text{kPa}),$$

$$\tau_A = 100(\text{kPa})$$

Question No. (4)

$$(1)\sigma'_{zA} = 20.0 \times 3 - (-9.8 \times 3) = 89.4 (\text{kN}/\text{m}^2),$$

$$(2)\sigma'_{zB} = 9.8 \times 3 + 20.0 \times 3 - 9.8 \times 6 = 30.6(\text{kN}/\text{m}^2)$$

Question No. (5)

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$$h_a = 10(\text{m}), h_b = 5(\text{m}), Q = 0.05 \times 10 \times \frac{10^{-5}}{5} = 0.5(\text{m}^3/\text{s})$$