

# **Understanding theory of consolidation and some practical applications**

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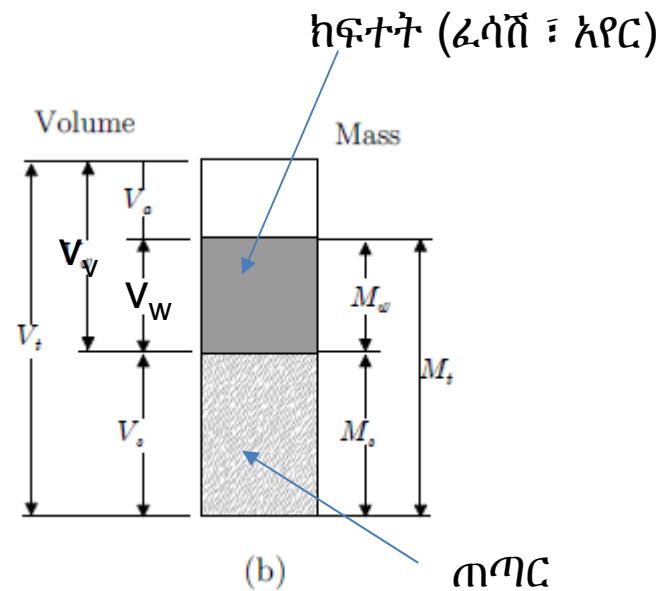
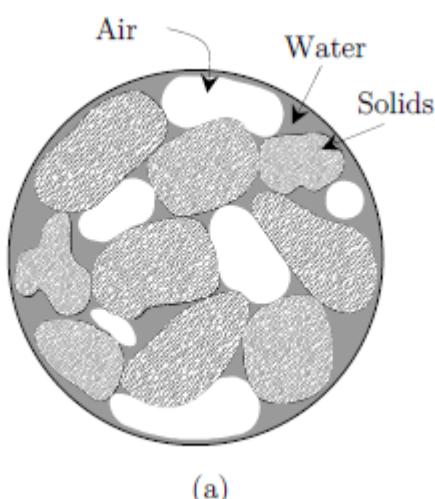
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- Engineering problems related to generation and dissipation of pore pressures
- Theory of consolidation
- Back to engineering... how to use the knowledge of consolidation to solve engineering problems related to generation and dissipation of pore pressures
- Asaoka's observational method

# Elementary mechanical behaviour of soils

## (Քօնակ մասշտաբ քվարտ տղինիք ղիշտ)

- Phase relationships (Քենդակ հարաբերություններ)



$$\text{Void ratio (անդակ հետիւն)} e = \frac{\text{Volume of voids (Հետիւն ընդունած ծավալ)} }{\text{Volume of solids (Հոռոշ ընդունած ծավալ)}}$$

# Elementary mechanical...

- Stress defn:

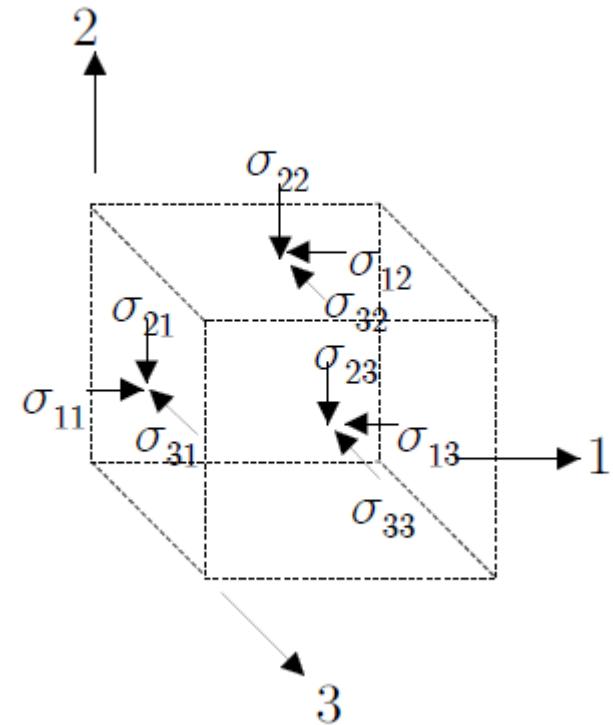
- $\text{Stress}(\sigma) = \frac{\text{Force}(F)}{\text{Area}(A)}$

- Terzaghi's effective stress principle:

- $\text{Total stress } (\sigma) = \text{effective stress } (\sigma') + \text{pore water pressure } (p)$

- Further decomposition of effective stress

- $\text{Total stress } (\sigma) = \text{effective confining pressure } (p') + \text{deviatoric stress } (q) + \text{pore water pressure } (p)$



ՀՊԸԾՔ:  $\sigma_d = \sigma_m \cdot \eta_d + \sigma_m \cdot \eta_k$   
ԹՓԼԱ  $\sigma_d = \phi_m \cdot \phi_m \cdot \sigma_d + \eta_w \cdot \eta_w$   
 $\phi_m \cdot \phi_m \cdot \sigma_d = \lambda \sigma_m \cdot \sigma_d + \lambda \eta_d \cdot \eta_d$

# Elementary mechanical...

- Strain defn:

□  $\text{Strain}(\varepsilon) = \frac{\text{Change in length}(\Delta l)}{\text{Length}(L)}$

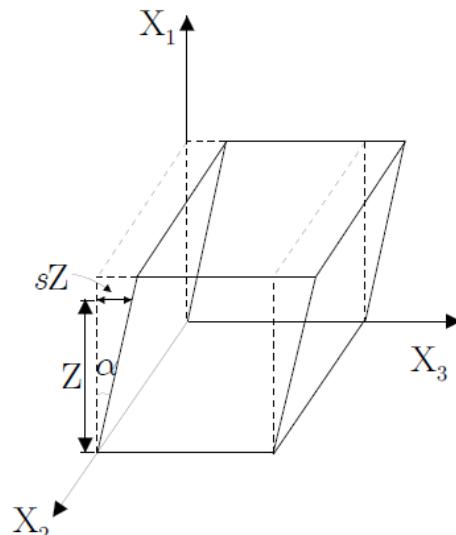
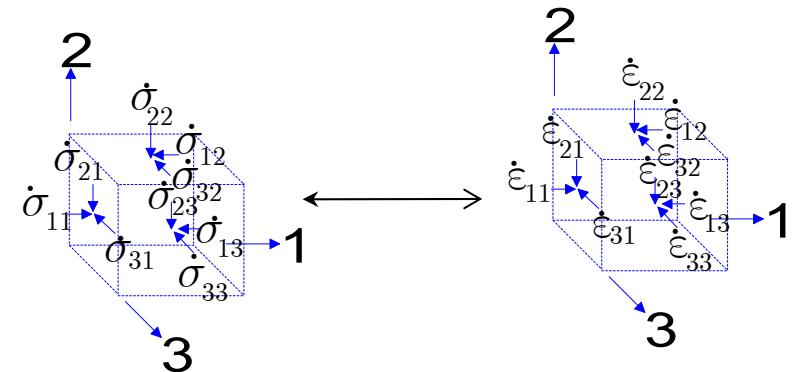
- Further decomposition of strain

□  $\text{Strain } (\varepsilon) = \text{volumetric strain } (\varepsilon_v) + \text{deviatoric strain } (\varepsilon_q)$

- Stresses cause strains

□ Effective stress increment ( $\Delta\sigma'$ ) = stiffness( $D$ ) x strain increment ( $\Delta\varepsilon$ )

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λημζή: φτζή = λφ.η σημή η ουμή

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# Elementary mechanical...

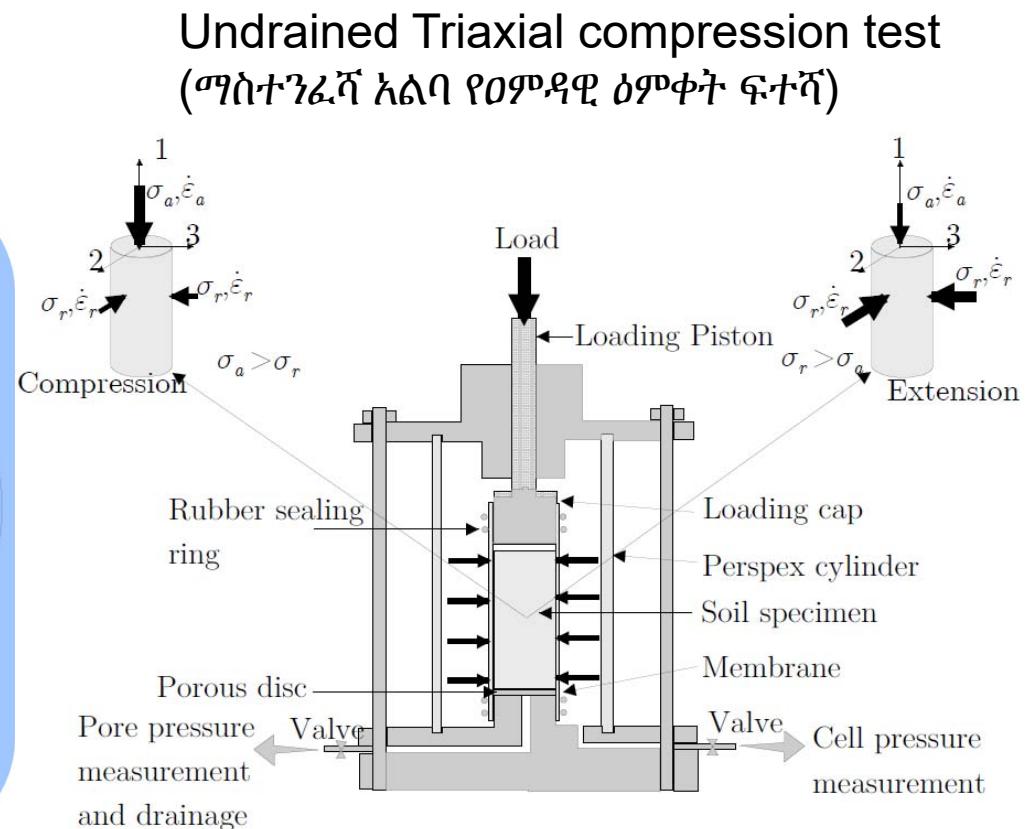
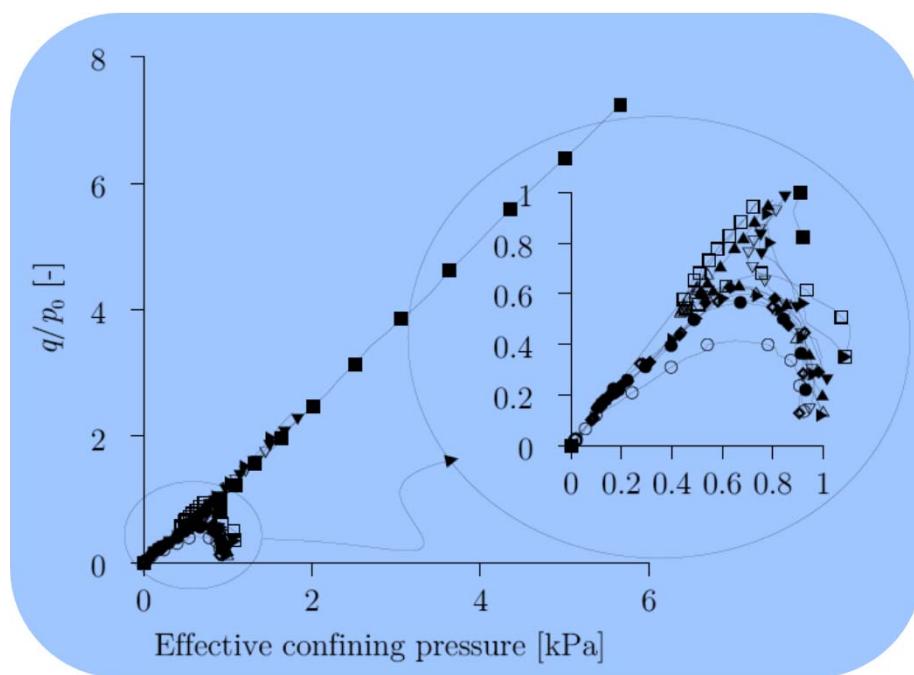
- $\tau_s = c + \sigma \tan \varphi$  (Coulomb 1776)
- $\tau_s = c + \sigma' \tan \varphi_c + \sigma' \tan \psi$  (Taylor 1948)

- The shear strength of soil comes from interparticle cohesion, interparticle friction and interlocking
- የዕራብ ስርተታ የመቁቁም አቅም (ስክሙ ስርተታ) የሚገኘው ከቅንጣቶች መጠበቅ : በቅንጣቶች መከከል ከሚኖር ቅተንያ እና ከቅንጣቶች መቆለለፍ ነው::
- Interparticle contact increases with increasing effective confining pressure and decreases otherwise
- አማካይ ማኅ ስጋመር የቅንጣቶች ጊዜና ይጋምሏል :: ጊዜያችው ስጋመር ቅተንያችው እና መቆለለፍችው ይጋምሏል : ለቅንስ ደግሞ ይቅንስል
- Pore pressure increase leads to decreasing effective confining pressure and thus reduced shear strength
- ስለዚህም የከፍተት ወጪ ማረጋገጫ ስጋመር የቅንጣት ቅንጣት አማካይ ማኅ መቀነስን ያስከተላል : ይኝም ስርተታ የመቁቁም አቅም መቀነስን ያመጠል::

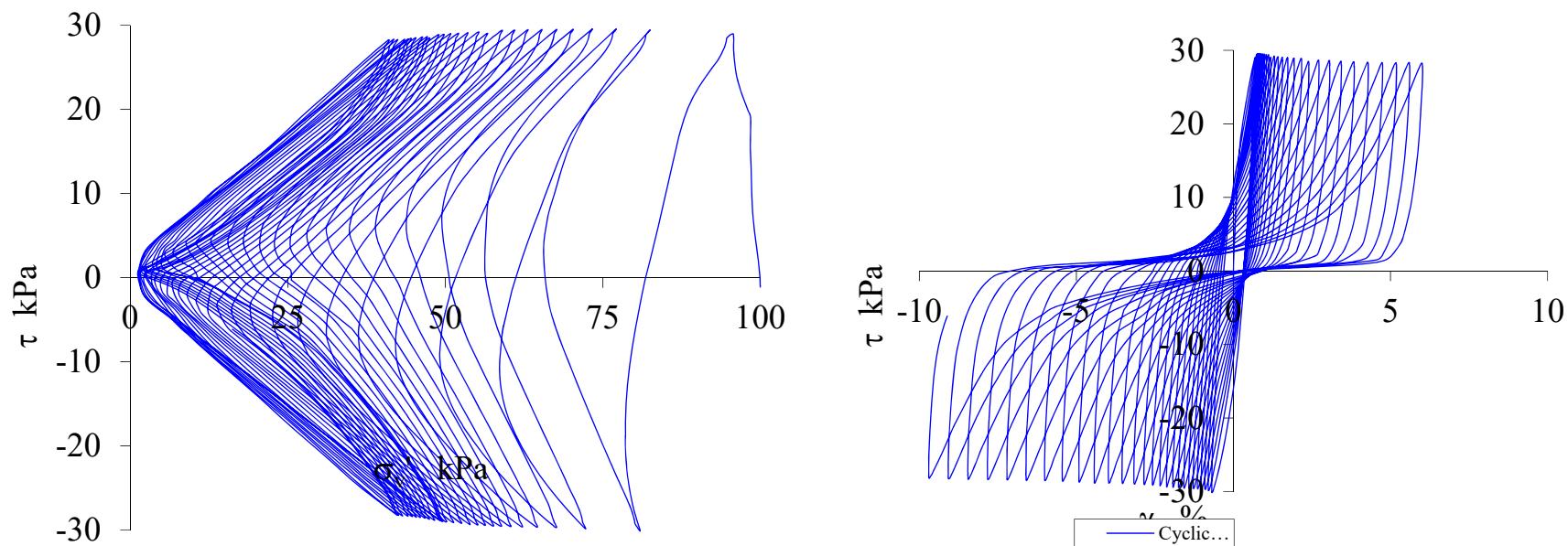
# Generation of pore pressure (የከፍተት ወጪ ግራት ማኅቀብ)

- Undrained monotonic loading of loose/contractive soils (ዘመኑ  
ወጥ እቅዱዣ መና)



# Generation of pore pressure (የከፍተት ወጪ ግራት ማሻሻል)

- Undrained cyclic loading (አገ ወውዳዊ : ተመለለሽ መሬ)



Sriskandakumar (2004)

# Dissipation of pore pressure (የክፍት ወጪ ግራት ማቅረብ)

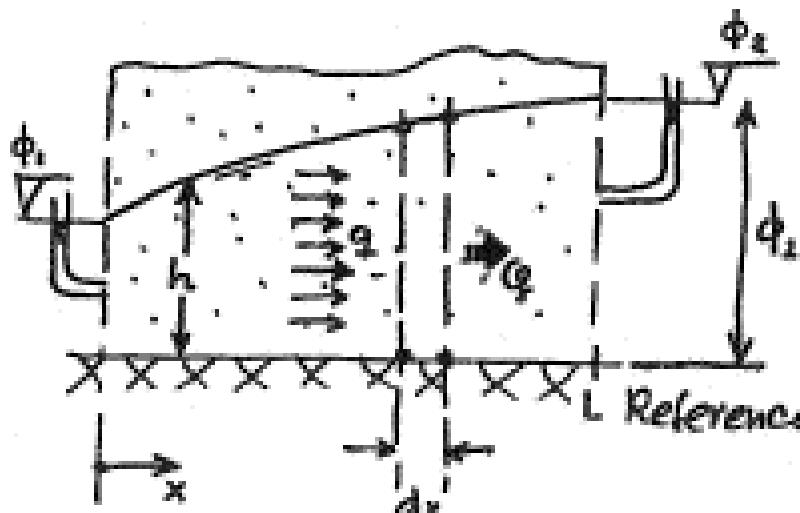
- **Darcy's flow:** Discharge is linearly proportional with pressure gradient. Continued discharge intern leads to reduction in pressure – which we call dissipation of pore pressure.
- **የዲር્સી ફોર્મુલા:** ઉસાંત સ્વાચ્છ નિરૂપ સ્થિતિ રૂપીરે મળે ફરજ ઉસાંત નિરૂપ સ્થિતિ નિયમ રૂપીરે તરીકે જી ઉફરત વર્ણાચાર નથી:: ઉગલાળાનું : ફરજ અનુભાવ ઉત્તીર્ણ : ઉસાંત સ્વાચ્છ નિરૂપ સ્થિતિ જે રીતે ફોર્મુલા ફરજ ફોર્મુલા:: ઉદ્દેશી ફરજ નાફરજ

$$-q = \frac{k}{\gamma_w} \nabla p, \nabla = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$



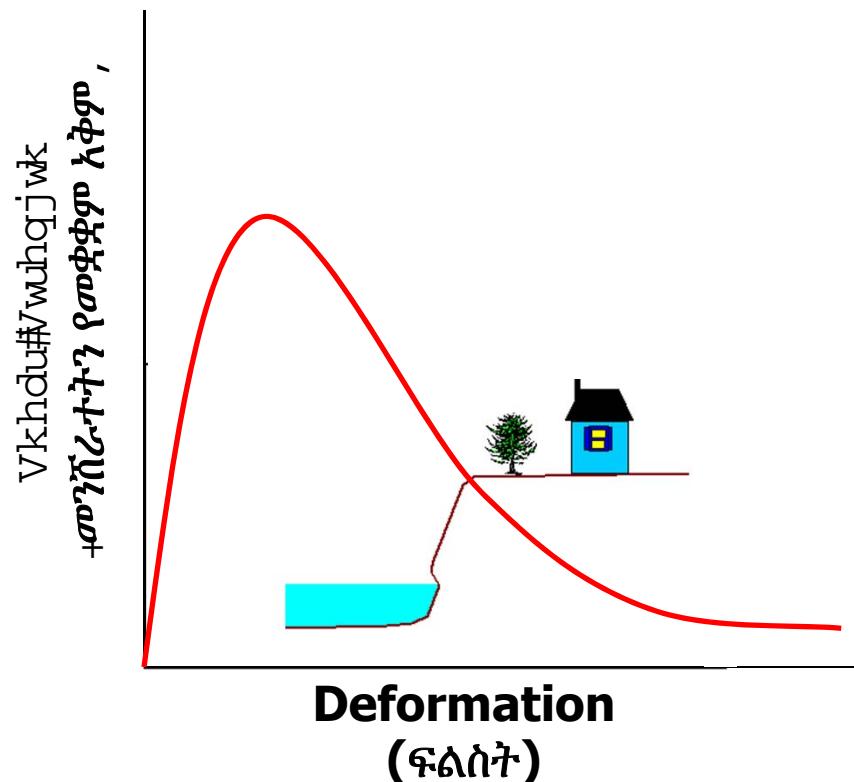
# Dissipation of pore pressure (የከፍተት ወጪ ግራት ማቅረብ)

- **Consolidation (ሰብሰብ)**- generated pore pressure can dissipate if the pore fluid can escape from high pressure areas into low pressure areas leaving the grains to move closer to each other thereby reducing the pore space between them.
- **ሰብሰብ:-** የገኘት ያዘጋጀ የከፍተት ወጪ ከከፍተኝ የገኘት ወደ ነቅተኝ የገኘት በመንቀሳቀል ምክንያት በቅንጣቶች መከከል ያለው የከፍተት መቀነስ እና የቅንጣቶች ጥገና መጨመር የሚመጣ ነው::



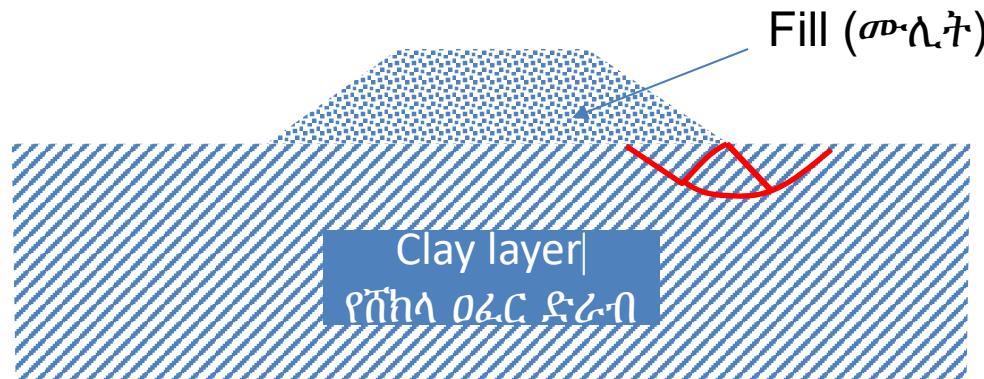
# Engineering problems due to generation of excess pore pressure

- Slope stability, liquefaction (የተዳደሩት ማስቀመጥ : መንሰራት : ፍሰት)



# Engineering problems due to generation of excess pore pressure

- Embankment failure (የግድብ ቁልል መንሰራት)



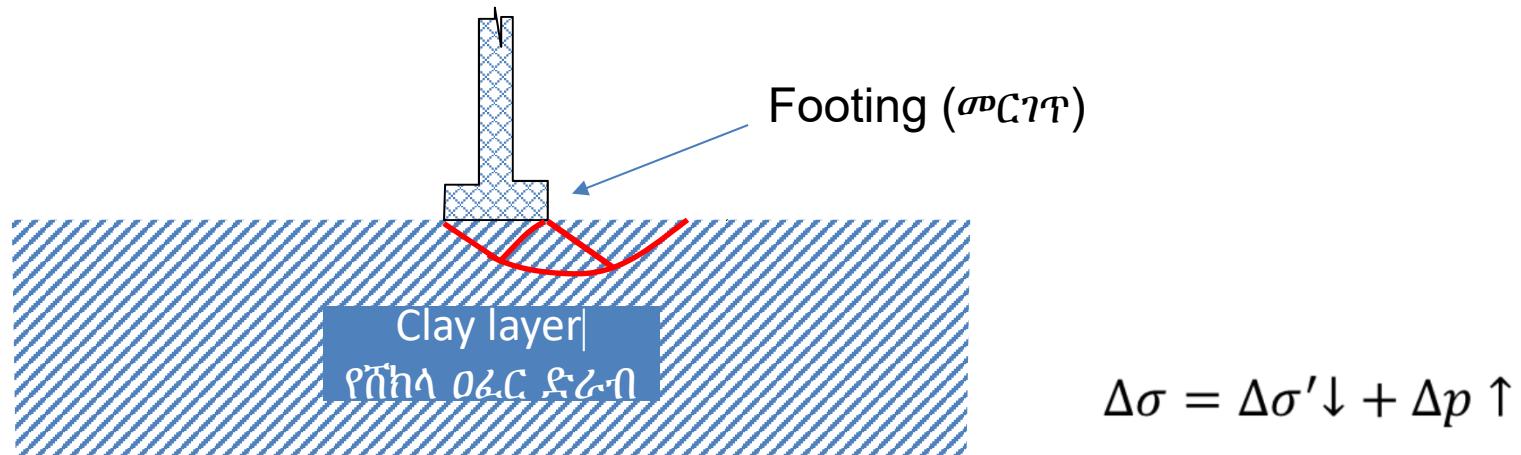
$$\Delta\sigma = \Delta\sigma' \downarrow + \Delta p \uparrow$$

Pore pressure increase leads to decreasing effective confining pressure and thus reduced shear strength

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# Engineering problems due to generation of pore pressure

- Bearing capacity failure (የመወረት ተሽከም ማረጋገጫ)

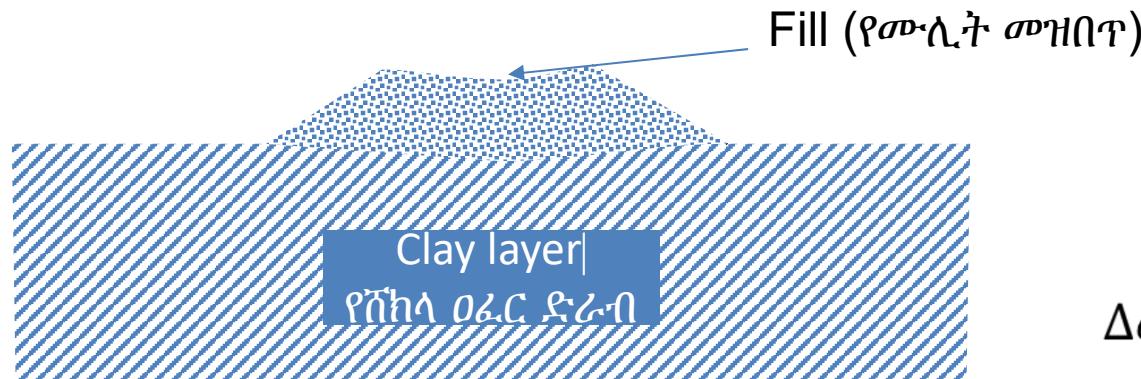


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# Engineering problems due to dissipation of pore pressure

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# Engineering problems due to dissipation of pore pressure

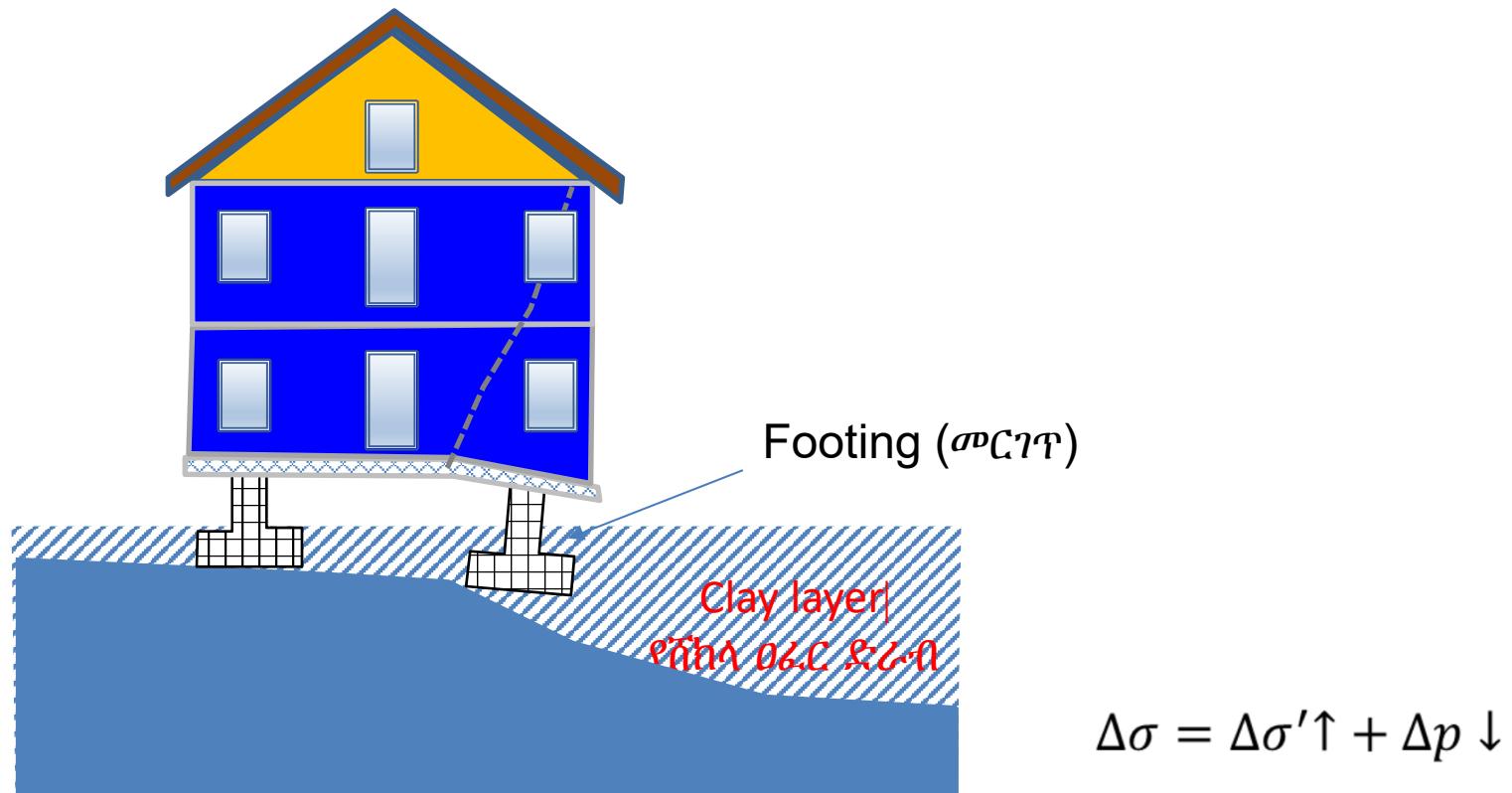
- Foundation (መመሪት)- Uniform settlement (ወጥ ነብበት)



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# Engineering problems due to dissipation of pore pressure

- Foundation (መረጃ)- Differential settlement (የዘረւոች ሌያንት)



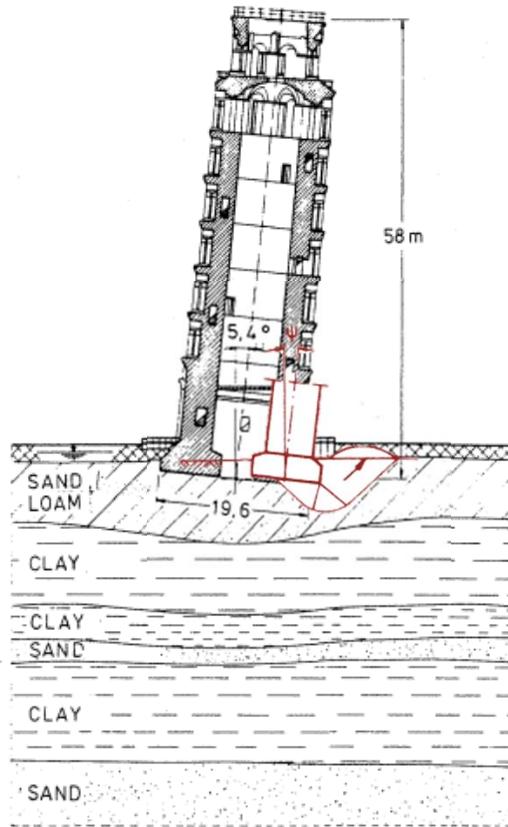
# Engineering problems due to dissipation of pore pressure

- Foundation (መመረጥ)-Tipping settlement (ማዘንበል እና ማዘመም)

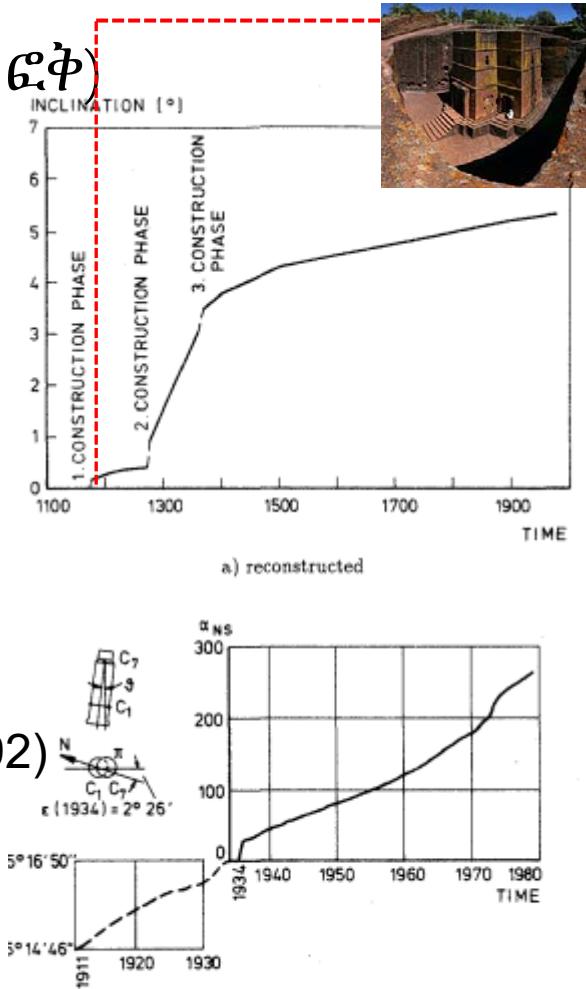


# Engineering problems due to dissipation of pore pressure

- The leaning tower of Pisa (ΤΙΓΡΑΛΩΣ ΡΤΗ ΕΓΓΙΦΑ)



Grabe and Gudehus (1992)

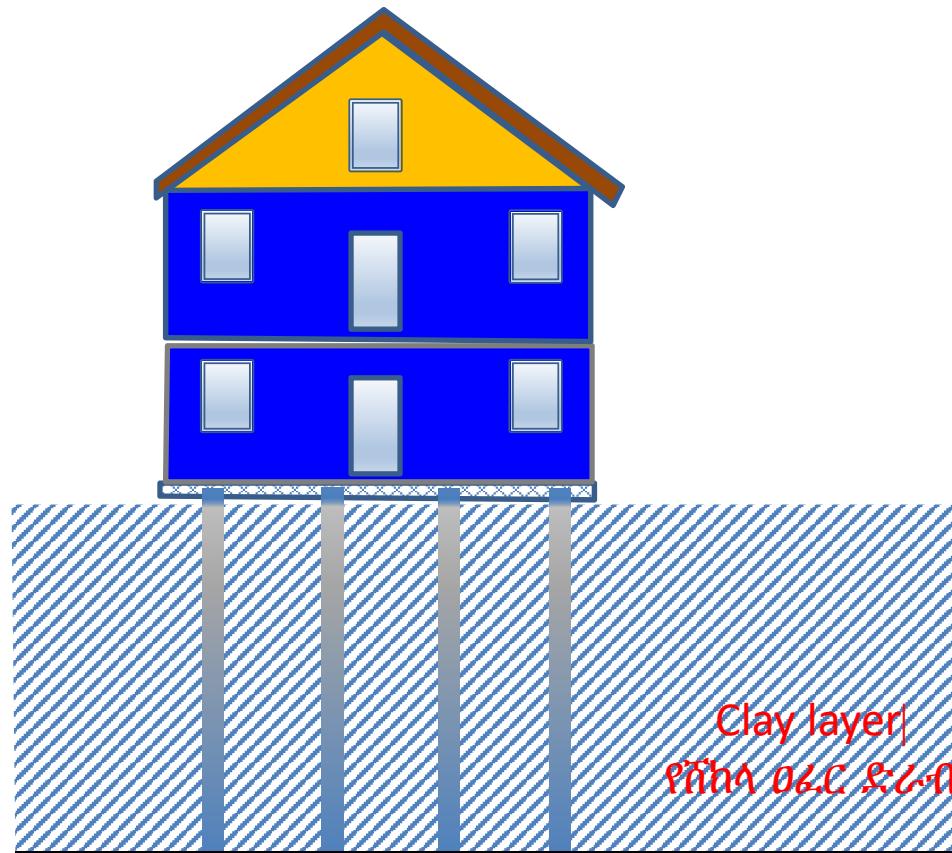


Tipping settlement?/ bearing capacity failure?

Fig. 2. Development of the inclination with time

# Engineering problems due to dissipation of pore pressure

- Foundation (መመሪት)- Overhanging loads (ተንጠልጣይ የሚታች)

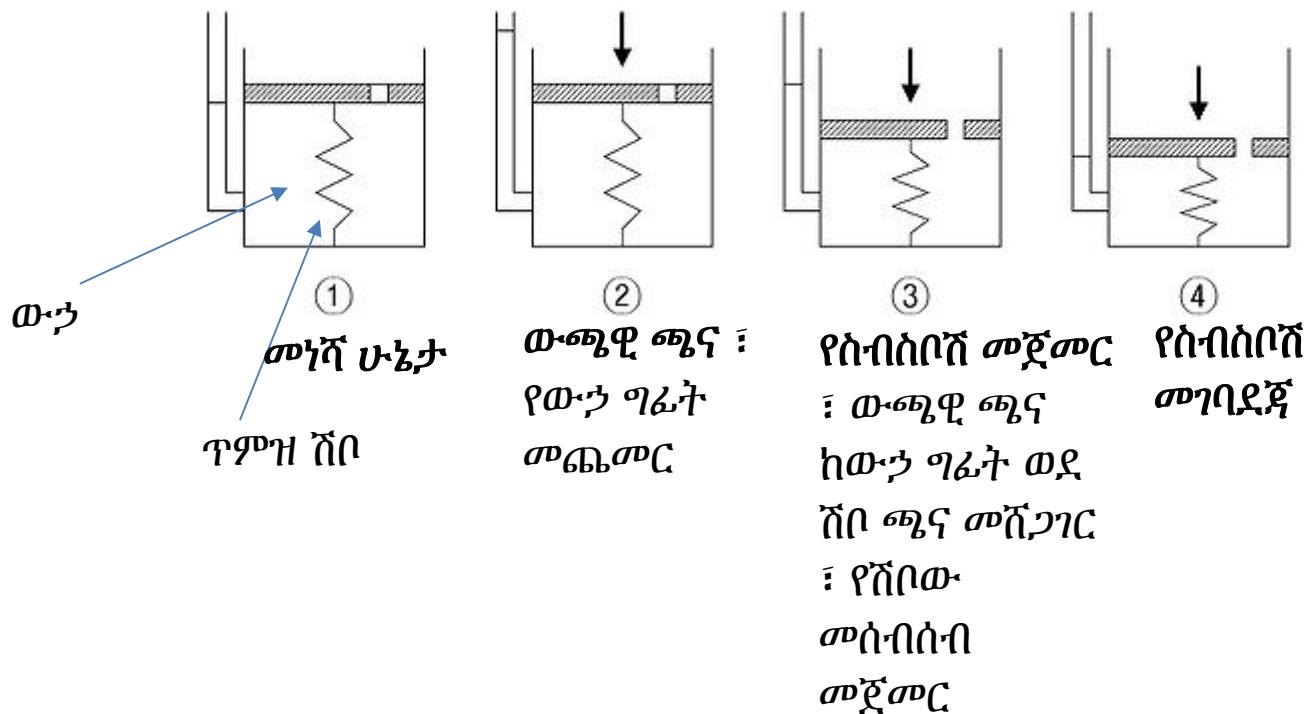


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# Theory of consolidation

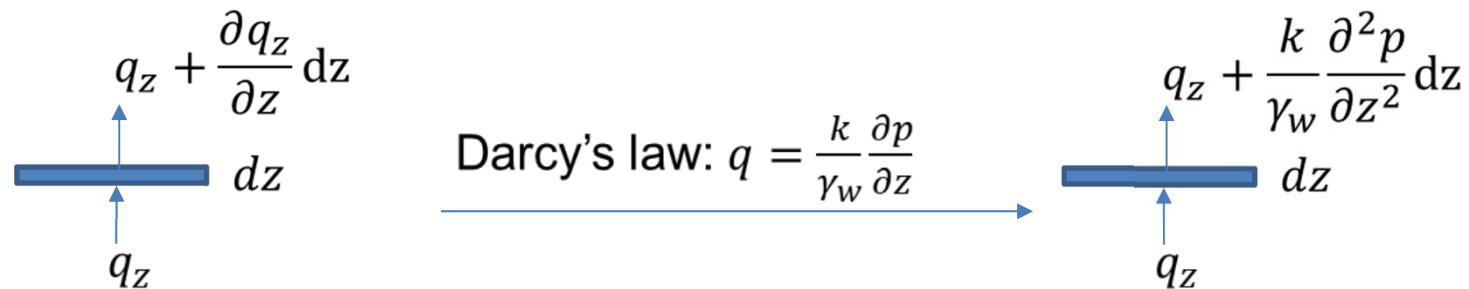
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- Spring-water system



# Continuity & Consolidation

Let us disregard compressibility of pore water and consider volume change due to flow:


$$\text{Darcy's law: } q = \frac{k}{\gamma_w} \frac{\partial p}{\partial z}$$

The net volume change ( $dQ$ ):

$$\square dQ = -\frac{k}{\gamma_w} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial z^2} dz A = -\frac{k}{\gamma_w} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial z^2} \Omega$$

$$\square \frac{dQ}{\Omega} = -\frac{k}{\gamma_w} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial z^2}$$

$$\square \frac{1}{\Omega} \frac{d\Omega}{dt} = \frac{d\varepsilon}{dt} = -\frac{k}{\gamma_w} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial z^2}$$

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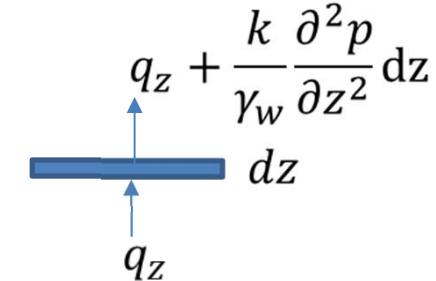
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Hook (*ceiiinosssttuu* - as the extension so is the force)

$$\square \frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{m_v} \frac{\partial \sigma'}{\partial t}$$

Terzaghi

$$\square \frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{m_v} \frac{\partial (\sigma - p)}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{m_v} \frac{\partial p}{\partial t}$$



$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial t} = c_v \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial z^2}$$

$$c_v = \frac{km_v}{\gamma_w}$$

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# Dimensionless analysis

- Normalizing various variables (Barends, 2008)

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial t} = c_v \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial z^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2(p/p_0)}{\partial(z/H)^2} / \frac{\partial(p/p_0)}{\partial(t/T)} = \frac{H^2}{c_v T} = \frac{1}{N}$$

Flow term

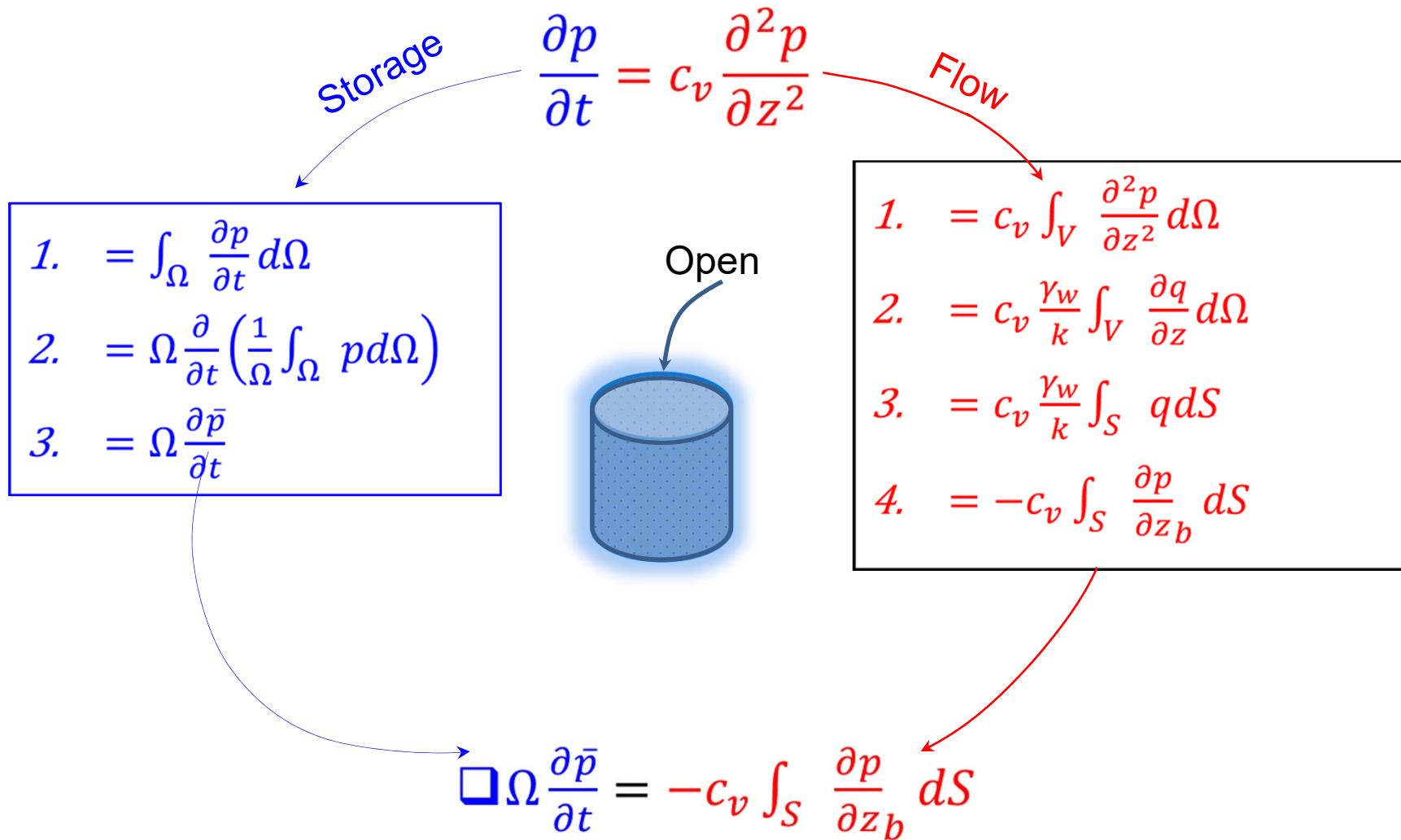
Storage term

**Question:** What does it mean when

- $N$  is significantly smaller than one?
- $N$  is significantly higher than one?

Value of $N$	Small( $\ll 1$ )	$= 1$	$\gg 1$
Implication	The flow factor is large compared to the storage factor	The flow factor is equal to the storage factor	The flow factor is small compared to the storage term
Process stage	Start of consolidation	Consolidation in full process	End of consolidation

# Approximate solution to the 1D consolidation equation



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$$\Omega \frac{\partial \bar{p}}{\partial t} = -c_v \int_S \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} ds \quad \frac{\partial p}{\partial t} = c_v \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial z^2}$$

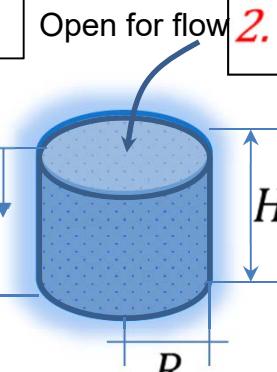
Storage

Flow

$$\text{Let } p = p_0 f(z) f(t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1. \quad \bar{p} &= \frac{1}{\pi R^2 H} \int_V p_0 f(z) f(t) 2\pi r dr dz \\ 2. \quad \Omega \frac{\partial \bar{p}}{\partial t} &= \pi R^2 p_0 \frac{\partial f(t)}{\partial t} \int_0^H f(z) dz \end{aligned}$$

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$$\square \frac{\partial f(t)}{\partial t} \int_0^H f(z) dz = -c_v f(t) \left( \frac{\partial f(z)}{\partial z} \right)_{z=0}$$

$$\square \frac{df(t)}{f(t)} = -c_v \left( \frac{\partial f(z)}{\partial z} \right)_{z=0} dt / \int_0^H f(z) dz$$

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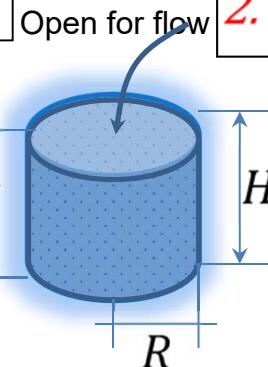
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$$\square \int_1^t \frac{f(t)}{f(t)} dt = - \int_0^t \frac{c_v \left( \frac{\partial f(z)}{\partial z} \right)_{z=0}}{\int_0^H f(z) dz} dt$$

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Storage

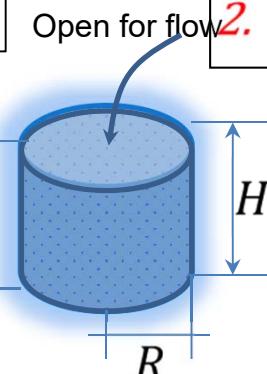
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$$1. = -2\pi p_0 c_v f(t) \left( \frac{\partial f(z)}{\partial z} \right)_{z=0} \int_S r dr$$

$$2. -\pi R^2 p_0 c_v f(t) \left( \frac{\partial f(z)}{\partial z} \right)_{z=0}$$



$$\square \ln f(t) = -\frac{c_v \left( \frac{\partial f(z)}{\partial z} \right)_{z=0}}{\int_0^H f(z) dz} t$$

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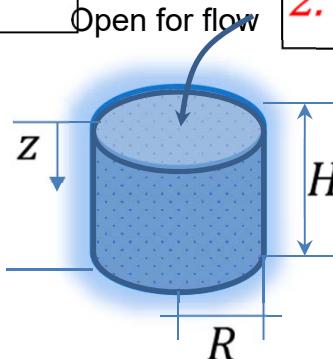
Storage

Flow

$$\text{Let } p = p_0 f(z) f(t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1. \quad \bar{p} &= \frac{1}{\pi R^2 H} \int_V p_0 f(z) f(t) 2\pi r dr dz \\ 2. \quad \Omega \frac{\partial \bar{p}}{\partial t} &= \pi R^2 p_0 \frac{\partial f(t)}{\partial t} \int_0^H f(z) dz \end{aligned}$$

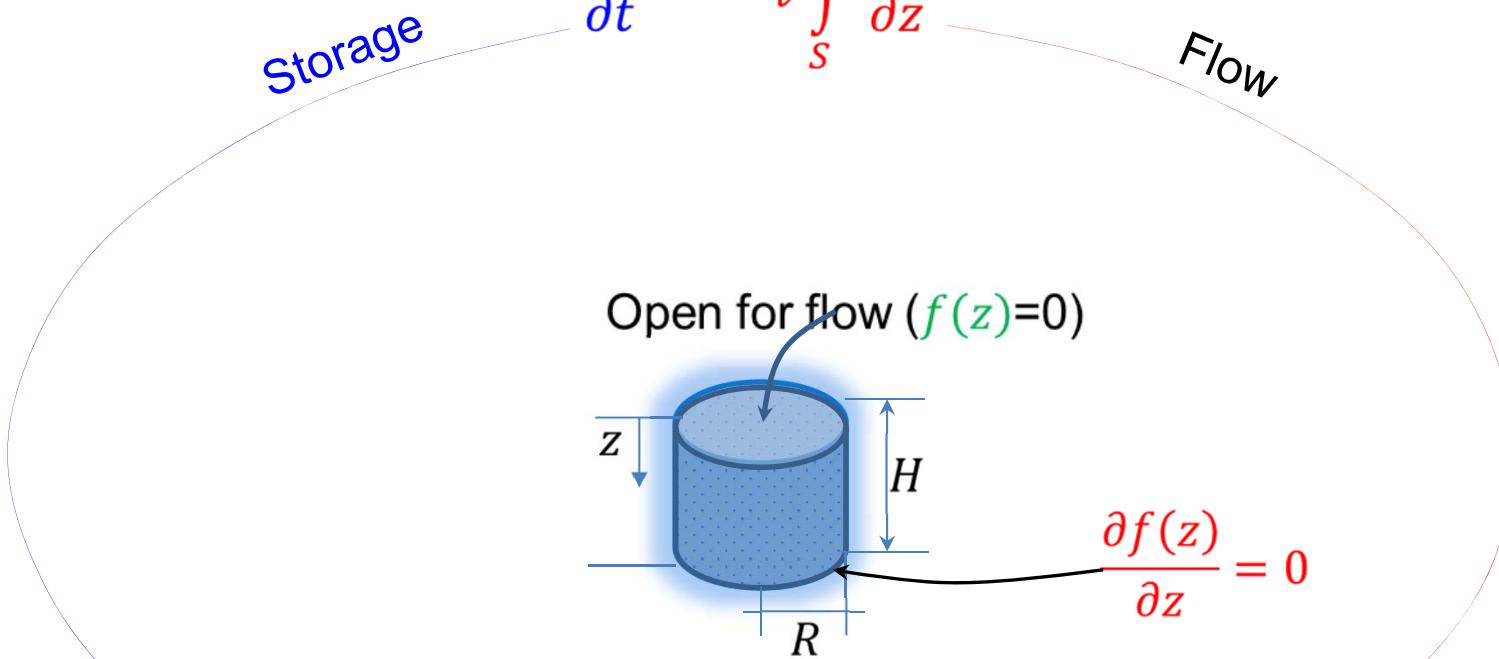
$$\begin{aligned} 1. \quad &= -2\pi p_0 c_v f(t) \left( \frac{\partial f(z)}{\partial z} \right)_{z=0} \int_S r dr \\ 2. \quad &- \pi R^2 p_0 c_v f(t) \left( \frac{\partial f(z)}{\partial z} \right)_{z=0} \end{aligned}$$



$$\square f(t) = \exp \left\{ -\frac{c_v \left( \frac{\partial f(z)}{\partial z} \right)_{z=0}}{\int_0^H f(z) dz} t \right\}$$

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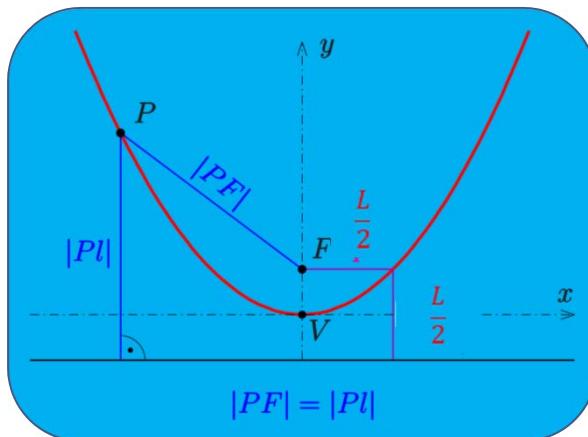
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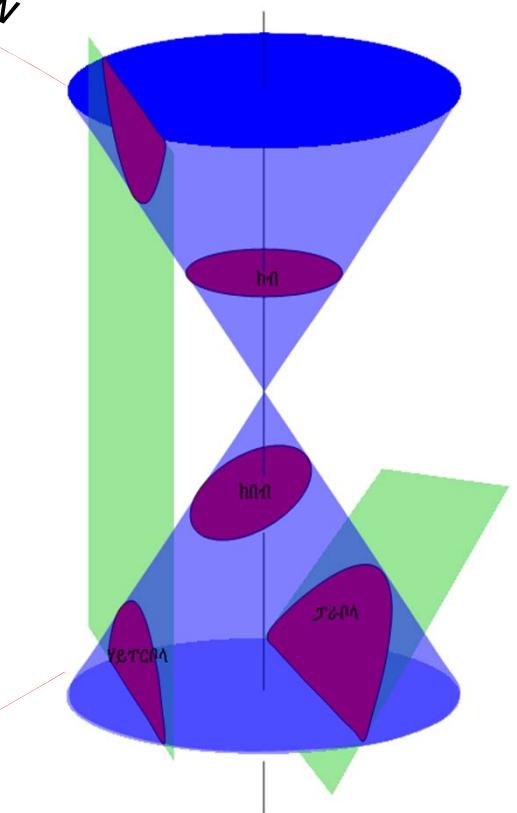
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$$Ly = x^2$$

$$p(z, t) = p_0 f(z) \exp \left\{ -\frac{c_v \left( \frac{\partial f(z)}{\partial z} \right)_{z=0} t}{\int_0^H f(z) dz} \right\}$$



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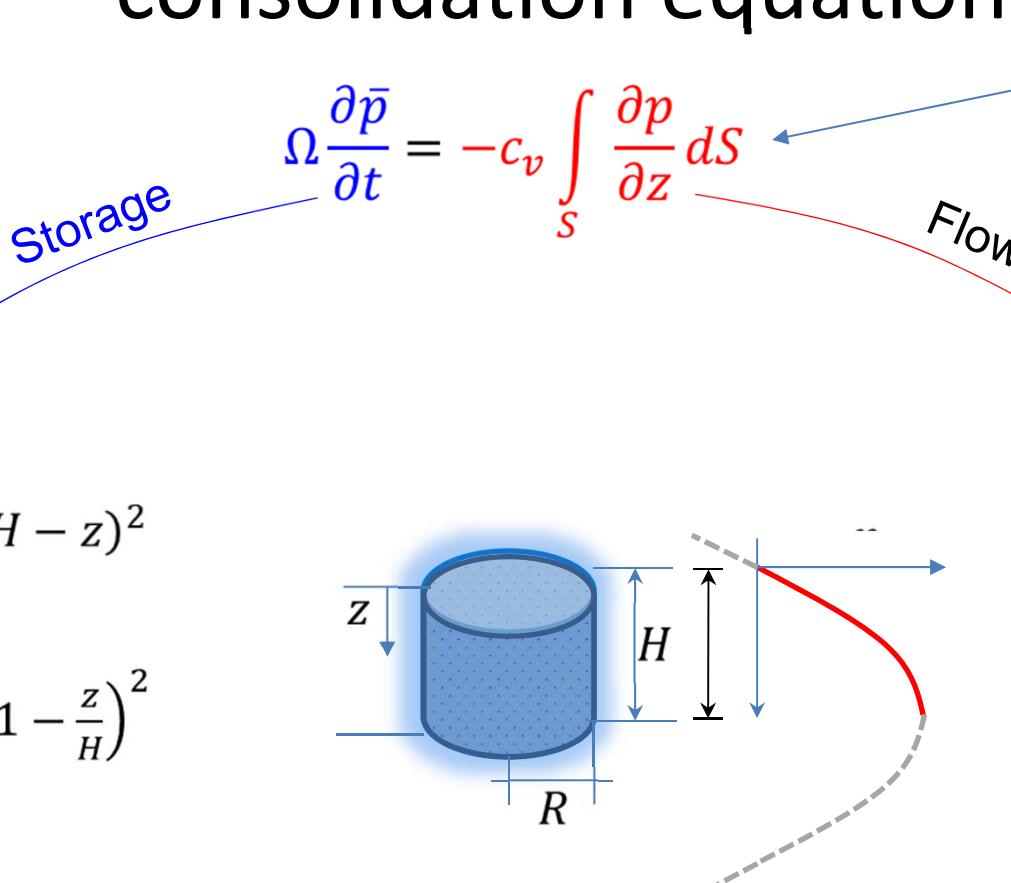


Diagram illustrating the storage and flow processes in a cylindrical soil sample of height  $H$  and radius  $R$ . The storage curve (blue) represents the vertical displacement  $z$  as a function of height, and the flow curve (red) represents the pressure  $p$  as a function of height.

**Storage:**  $Lp = H^2 - (H - z)^2$

**Flow:**  $p_{z=H} = \frac{H^2}{L}$

**Approximate Solution:**  $\frac{p}{p_{z=H}} = 1 - \left(1 - \frac{z}{H}\right)^2$

**Consolidation Equations:**

$$\Omega \frac{\partial \bar{p}}{\partial t} = -c_v \int_S \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} dS$$

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial t} = c_v \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial z^2}$$

$$f(z) = 1 - \left(1 - \frac{z}{H}\right)^2$$

$$\frac{\partial f(z)}{\partial z} = \frac{2\left(1 - \frac{z}{H}\right)}{H}$$

$$p(z, t) = p_0 f(z) \exp \left\{ -\frac{c_v \left( \frac{\partial f(z)}{\partial z} \right)_{z=0} t}{\int_0^H f(z) dz} \right\}$$

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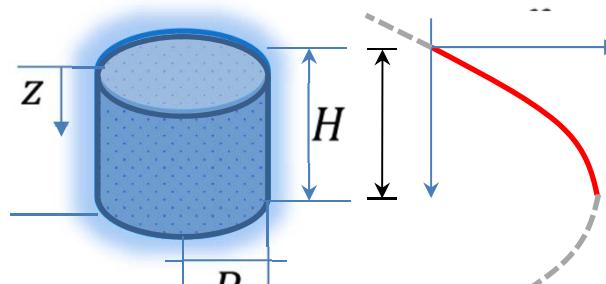
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Storage

Flow

$$\square f(z) = 1 - \xi^2, \xi = 1 - \frac{z}{H}$$

$$\square \int_0^H f(z) dz = \frac{2}{3} H$$



$$\square \frac{\partial f(z)}{\partial z} = \frac{2\xi}{H}$$

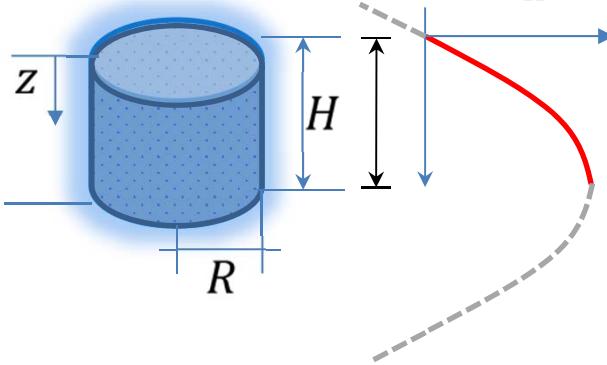
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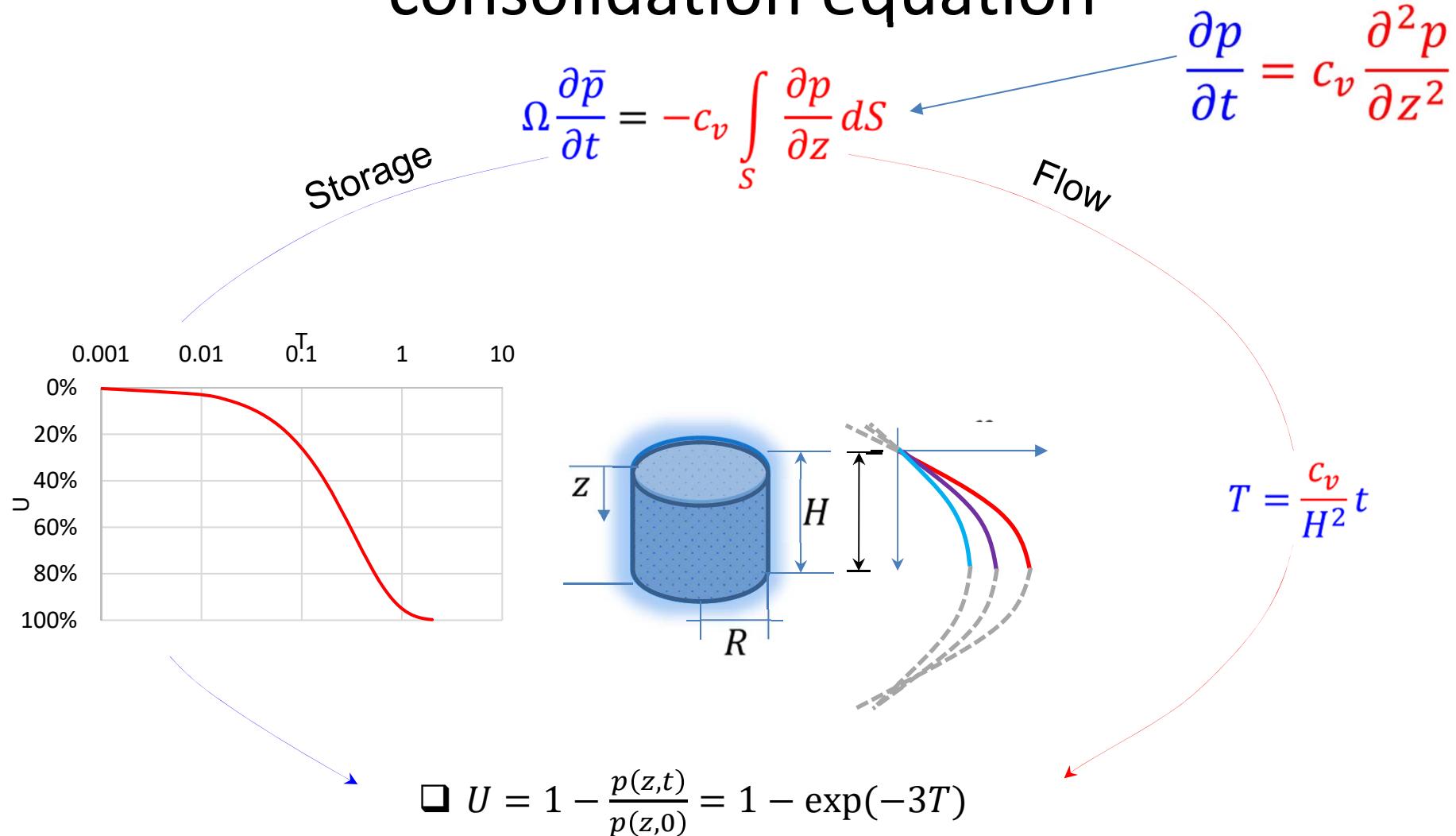
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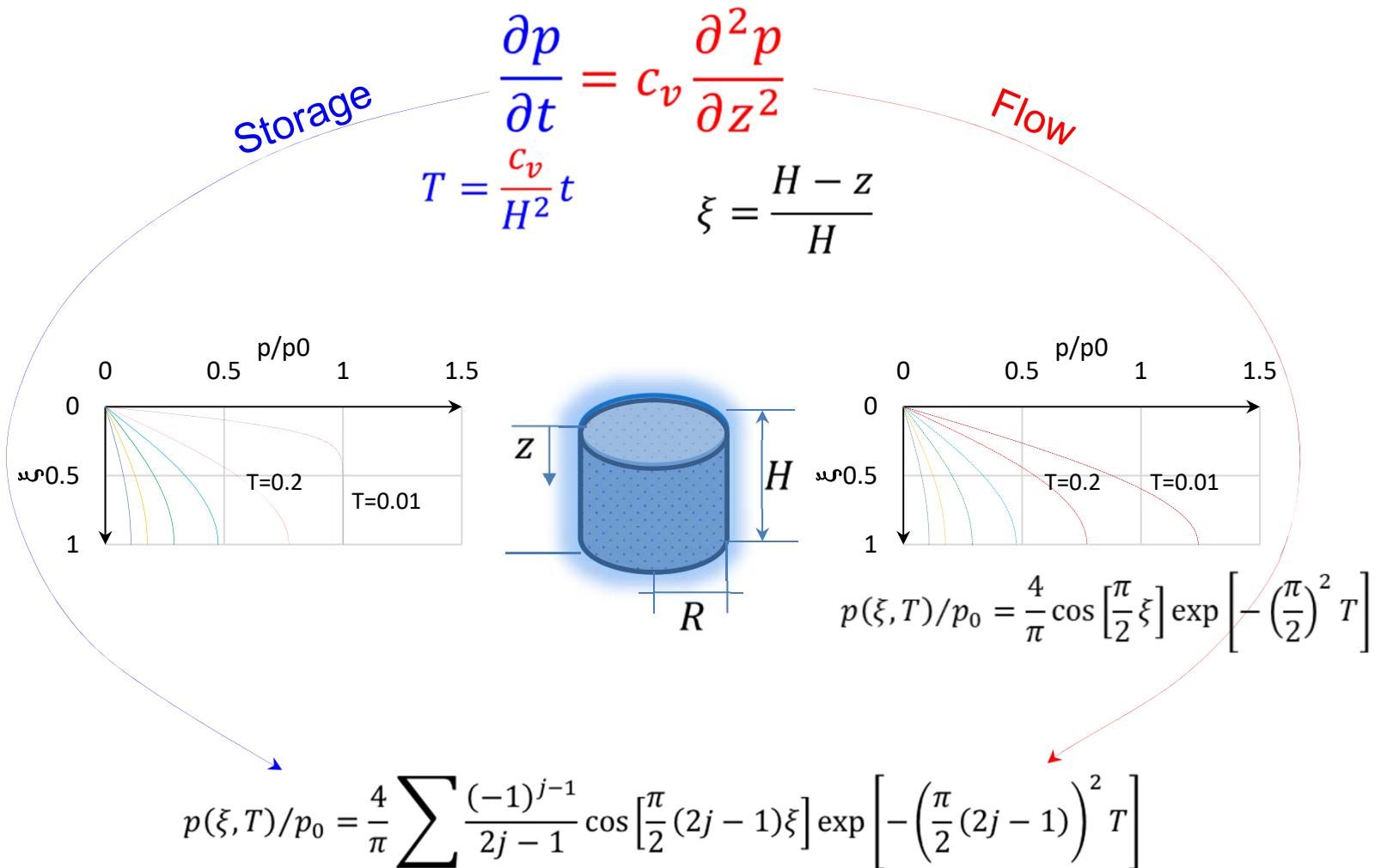
Flow

$$\square f(z) = 1 - \xi^2$$
$$\square \int_0^H f(z) dz = \frac{2}{3} H$$
$$\square \frac{\partial f(z)}{\partial z} = \frac{2\xi}{H}$$

$$p(z, t) = p_0 \{1 - \xi^2\} \exp \left\{ -3 \frac{c_v}{H^2} t \right\}$$

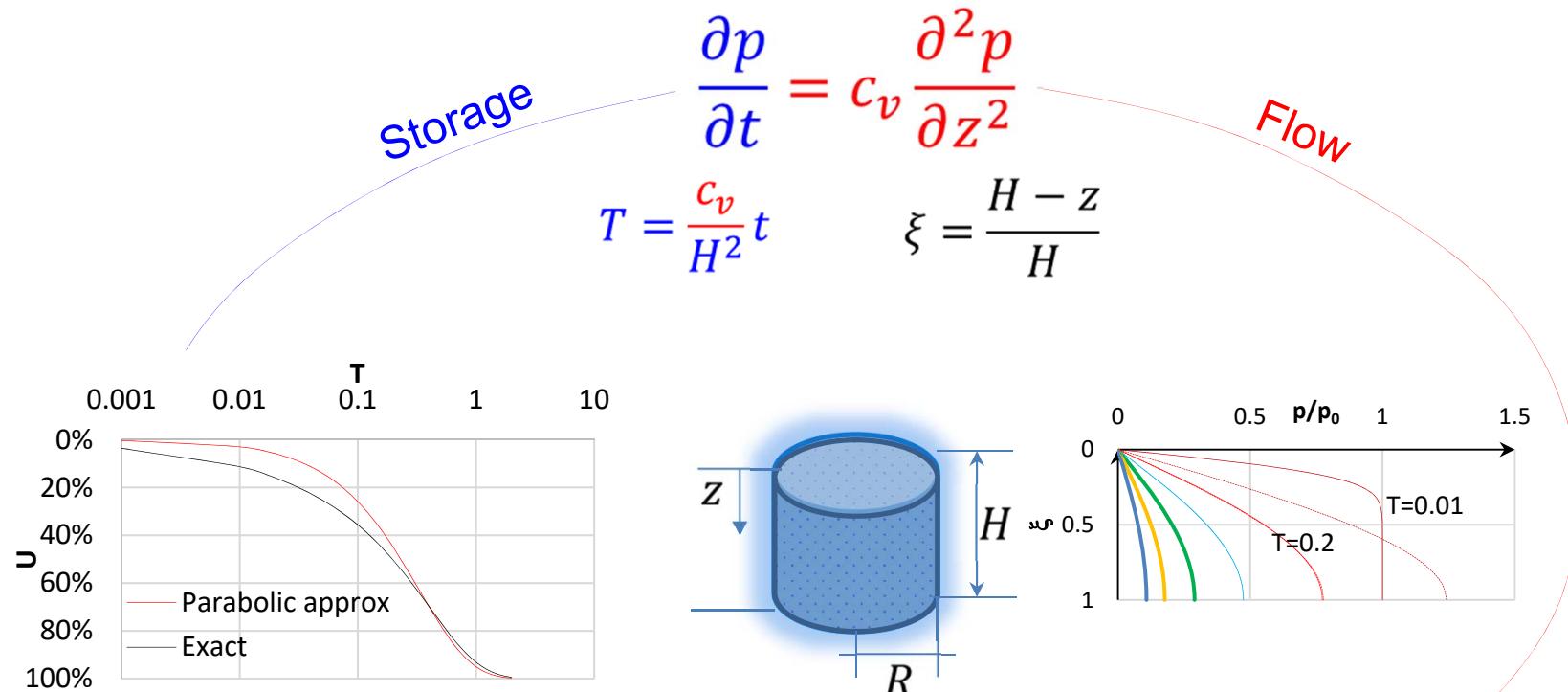
# Approximate solution to the 1D consolidation equation



# Terzaghi's exact solution to the 1D consolidation equation



# Exact solution to the 1D consolidation equation



$$\square U = \frac{s}{s_\infty} = \int_0^H \varepsilon dz / \int_0^H \varepsilon_\infty dz$$

$$= 1 - \frac{\pi^2}{8} \sum (2j-1)^2 \exp \left\{ - \left( \frac{\pi}{2} (2j-1) \right)^2 T \right\}$$

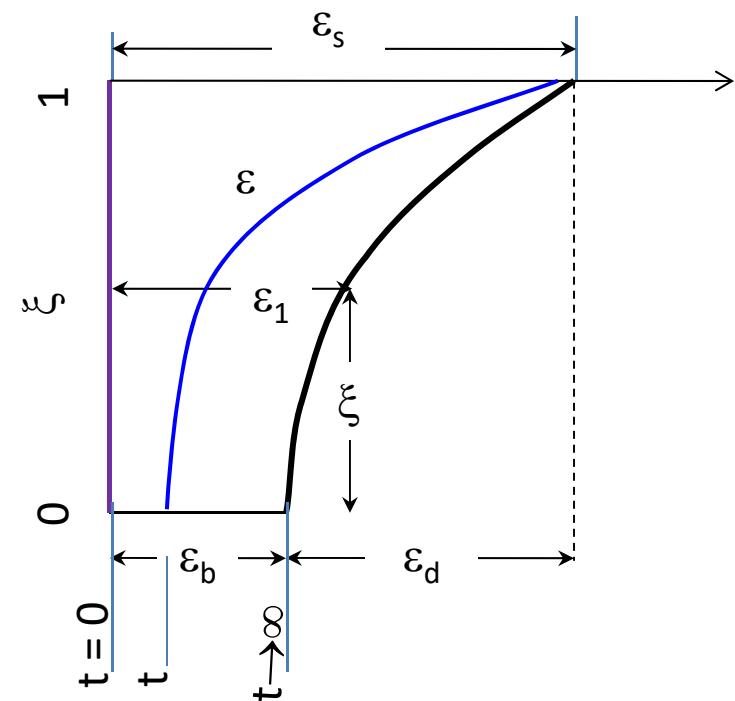
# Some limitations of the classical 1DC Theory

$$\square p(\xi, T)/p_0 = \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{j-1}}{2j-1} \cos \left[ \frac{\pi}{2} (2j-1) \xi \right] \exp \left[ - \left( \frac{\pi}{2} (2j-1) \right)^2 T \right]$$

- It is not at all logical to aim at a solution of pore pressure as long as our practical aim is to obtain settlements (Janbu, 1965).
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- The classical theory does not take none-linearity of stress-strain behavior into account.
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- For nonlinear stress-strain (which is naturally true for soils) the degree of consolidation has to be obtained from strain-depth distribution (Janbu, 1969).
  - የዕራፍ ማከናከሮ በትርሃሱ የሆነው አርቶ የሆነ የሚኖር ወጥረት አምድና ክውጥረት ጥልቀት ስርጓች (አምድና) መግኘት አለበት
- **The total stress can be time dependent.**
  - መፈጸም ማኖር ቤት ጥንቃቄ ለሆነ ይችላል
- **Consolidation may not be 1D.**
  - የዕራፍ ማከናከሮ ለመቀት በአውታረ አንድ ለመቀት መፈጸም በመለ ለይገልጥ ይችላል::

# Janbu's strain based 1DC Theory

- Strain distn  $t \rightarrow \infty$ 
  - $\varepsilon_1 = \varepsilon_s - \varepsilon_d(1 - \xi^r)$
- Basic strain based differential equation
  - $\frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial T} = \frac{\partial^2 \varepsilon}{\partial \xi^2} - r(r-1)\varepsilon_d \xi^{r-2}$
- Solution
  - $\varepsilon(t) = \varepsilon_1 - \sum C_N \cos(N\xi) \exp(-N^2 T)$ 
    - $C_N = \frac{2\varepsilon_s}{N} \sin N - 2r\varepsilon_d \frac{\sin^{r+1} N}{N^{r+1}}$
    - $N = \frac{\pi}{2}(2j-1)$



# Janbu's...

- Degree of consolidation

$$\square U = \int_0^1 \varepsilon d\xi / \int_0^1 \varepsilon_1 d\xi = \frac{U_0 - f_s F(T)}{1 - f_s}$$

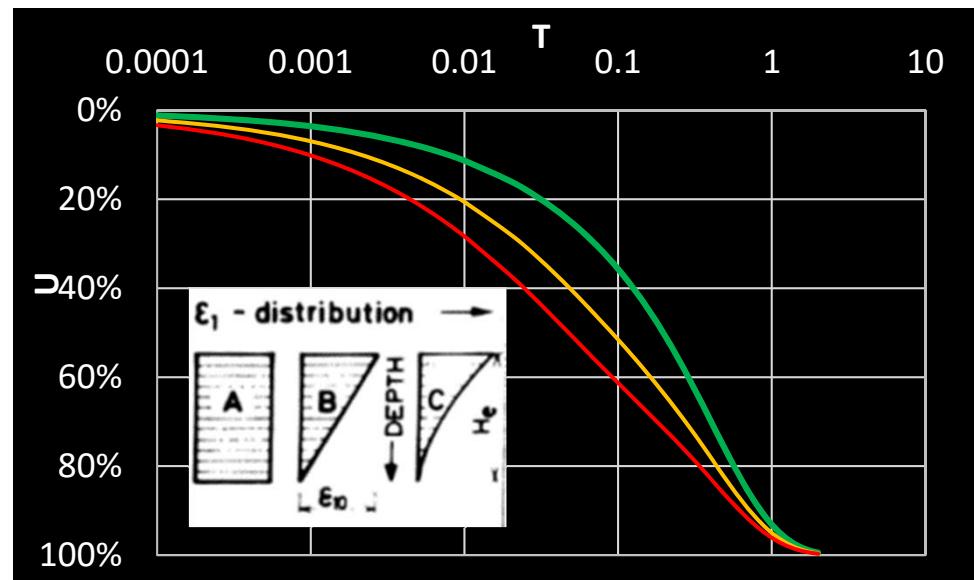
where:

$$- U_0 = 1 - 2 \sum \frac{\sin^2 N}{N^2} \exp(-N^2 T)$$

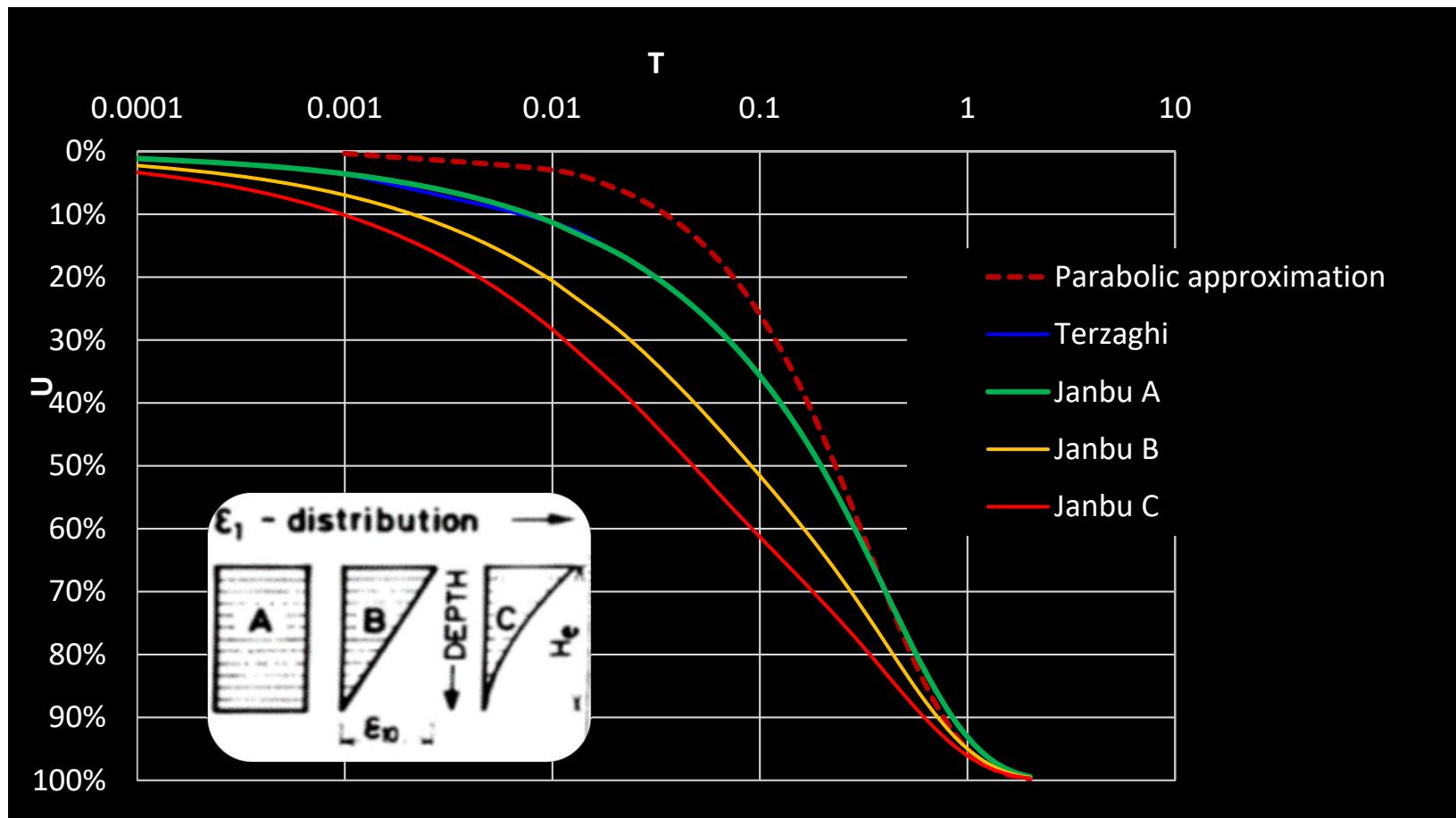
$$- f_s = \frac{r \varepsilon_d}{(1+r) \varepsilon_s}$$

$$- F(T) = 1 - 2(r+1) \sum \frac{\sin^{2+r} N}{N^{2+r}} \exp(-N^2 T)$$

$$- N = \frac{\pi}{2} (2j - 1)$$



# Janbu's...



# Back to engineering

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- How do we use our knowledge of consolidation to solve practical problems?
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# Applying preloading

## ਹਿੱਸਾ ਸਾਲਾਂ ਸਾਲਾਂ

- Heaping a soil and let the soil under consolidate for sometime
- Remove the soil heap
- Implement the actual construction.
- This improves the bearing capacity of the underlying soil. It also reduces the consolidation settlement after construction

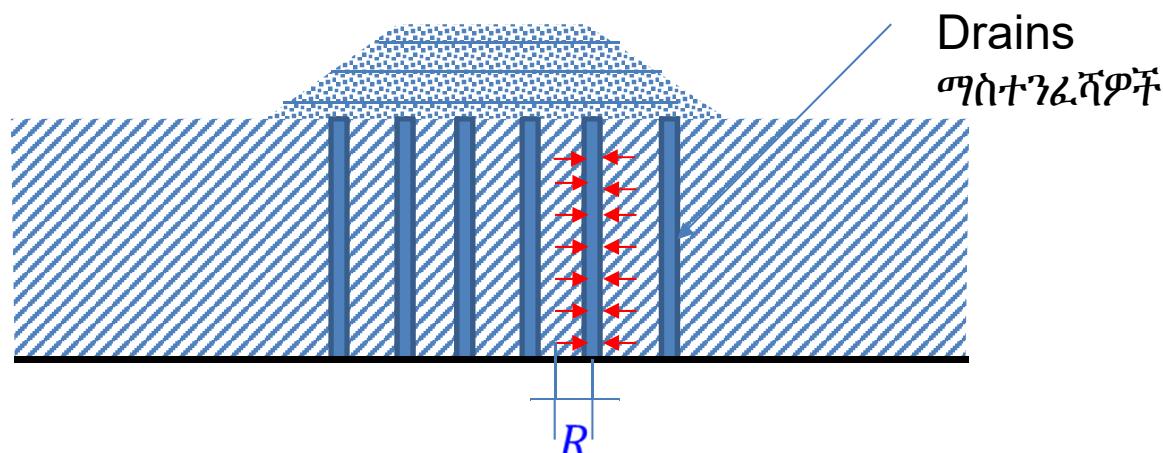


# Applying drains

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- Install drains to accelerate the consolidation process and improve the bearing strength of the soil.

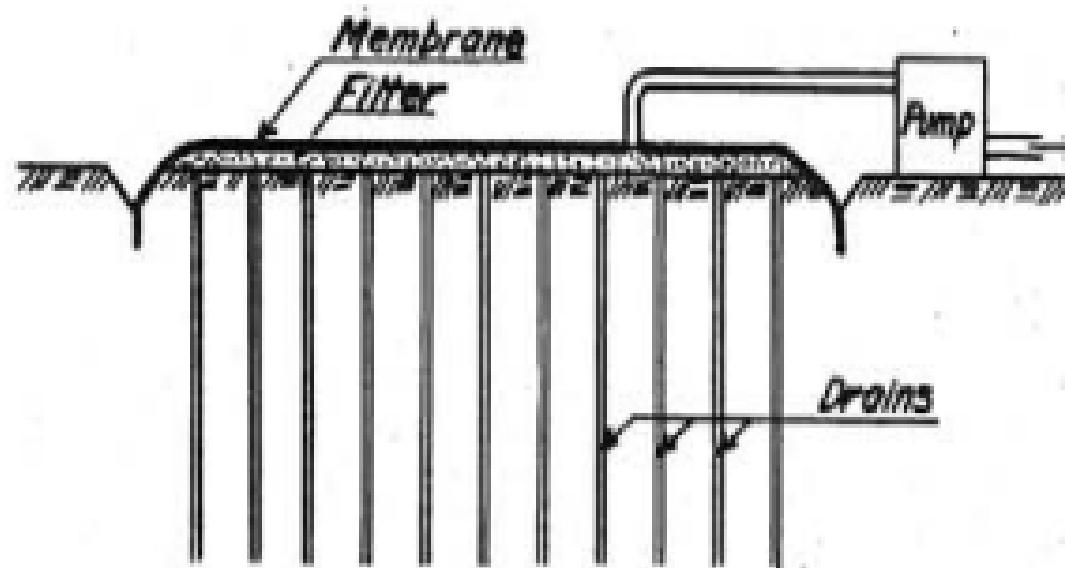
$$\square U \approx 1 - \exp\{-4T\}, T = \frac{c_r}{R^2} t$$



# Applying drains

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- Vacuum preloading to accelerate the consolidation process



Kjelleman (1952)

# Asaoka's observational method

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Basic differential equation:

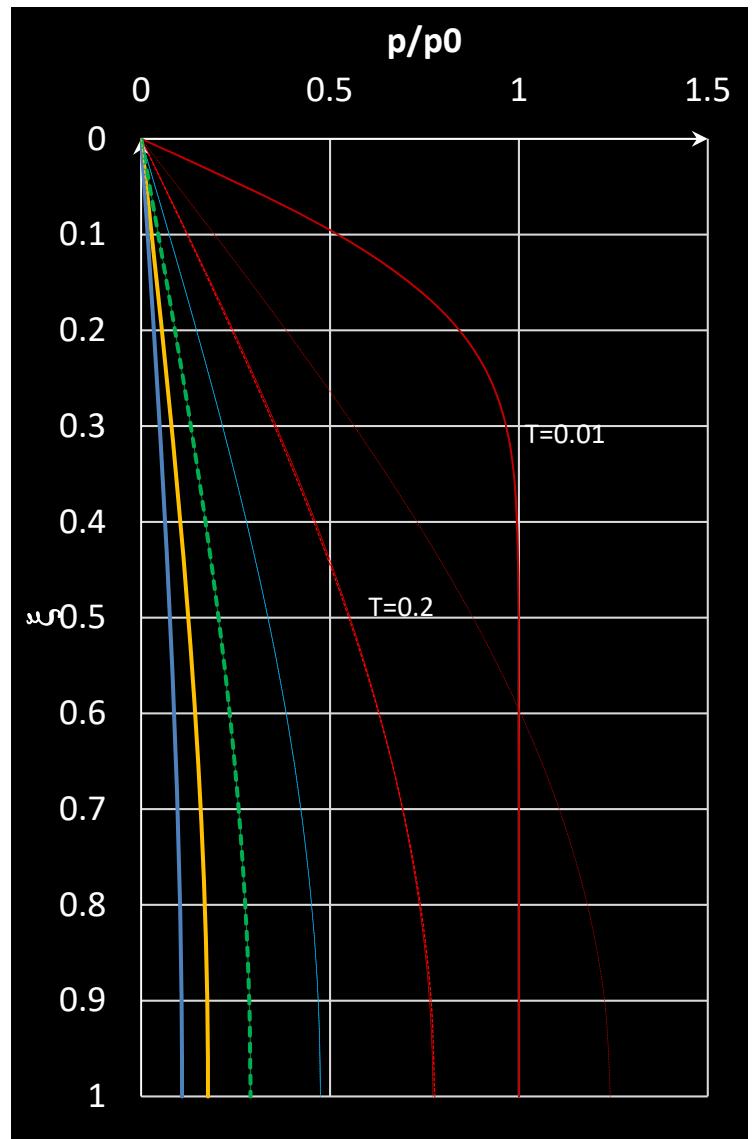
$$\square \frac{\partial p}{\partial t} = c_v \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial z^2}$$

The solution in terms of pore pressure

$$\square \frac{p}{p_0} = \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{j-1}}{2j-1} \cos\left(\frac{(2j-1)\pi z}{2h}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{(2j-1)^2 t}{4h^2}\right)$$

For larger values of time, *i.e.*, for  $\frac{ct}{h^2} > 0.2$  the higher order terms vanish, and the equation may be approximated by the first term:

$$\square \frac{p}{p_0} \approx \frac{4}{\pi} \cos\left(\frac{\pi z}{2h}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{\pi^2}{4h^2} c_v t\right)$$



# First order approximation

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The strain may then be obtained as:

$$\square \quad \varepsilon = \frac{p_0}{M} \left( \frac{p}{p_0} - 1 \right) = \frac{p_0}{M} \left( \frac{4}{\pi} \cos \left( \frac{(h-z)\pi}{2h} \right) \exp \left( -\frac{\pi^2}{4h^2} c_v t \right) - 1 \right)$$

The displacement is then found by integrating the strain over the depth:

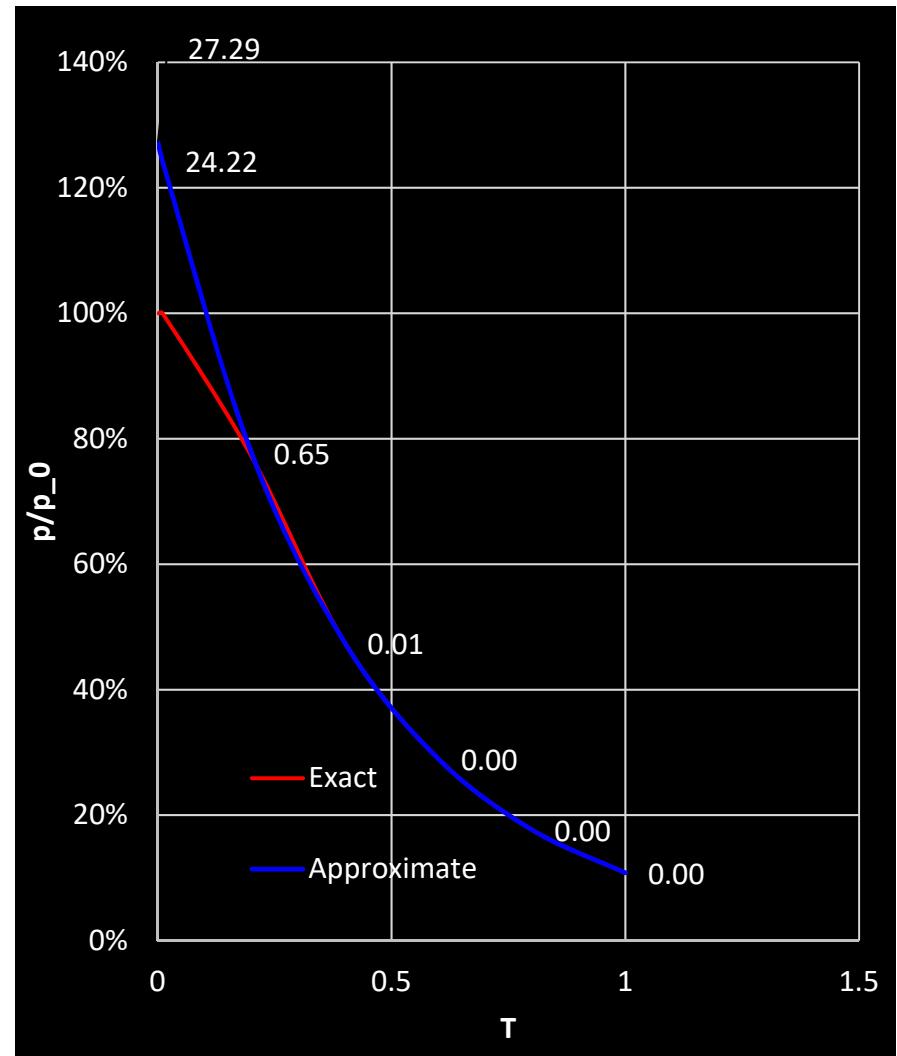
$$\square \quad S = - \int_0^h \varepsilon dz = \frac{p_0}{M} h \left( 1 - \frac{8}{\pi^2} \exp \left( -c_v \frac{\pi^2}{4h^2} t \right) \right)$$

Simplifying:

$$\square \quad S = S_\infty (1 - \delta \exp(-\beta t)), \quad \delta = \frac{8}{\pi^2}, \quad \beta = c_v \frac{\pi^2}{4h^2}, \quad S_\infty = \frac{p_0}{M} h$$

First order autoregressive form (in which  $b = \exp(-\beta \Delta t)$ )

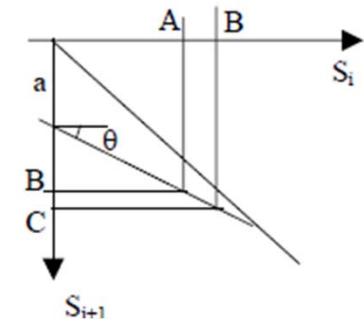
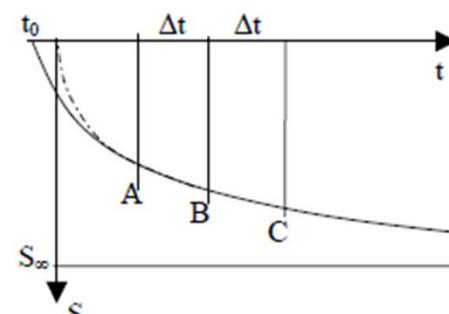
$$\square \quad S_t = a + b S_{t-1}, \quad a = S_\infty (1 - b)$$



# Asaoka's graphical method using first order approximation

- Let us have  $n+1$  settlement observations,  $(u_0, u_1, \dots, u_n)$  generated by a constant external load.
- Using these observations plot  $n$  points  $(u_k, u_{k-1})$  for  $k=1, 2, \dots, n$  on the  $(u_j, u_{j-1})$  coordinate system
- The plot will be linear and tends towards the end of consolidation and therefore enables us to predict future settlements (note that the  $(u_k, u_{k-1})$  plot for the end of will have a slope of 45 degrees for the end of consolidation.)
- From the plot of observation points  $(u_k, u_{k-1})$  one finds  $a$  and  $\theta$

- Basis (first order approximation):
  - $S_i = a + bS_{i-1}$
- From the plot:
  - $S_\infty = \frac{a}{1-b}$ ,  $b = \tan \theta$
  - $\frac{c_v}{H^2} = \frac{4(1-b)}{\pi^2 \Delta t}$



# Asaoka-Reliability – In a Bayesian framework

The aim of this part is to adopt the Bayesian framework for the prediction of the parameters  $a$  and  $b = \tan\theta$  conditioned on measurements. Asaoka claims that the method has an advantage in that “the predicted value is given with its reliability”

$$S(t_{i+1}) = a + b \cdot S(t_i) + \epsilon_i$$

where  $\epsilon_i$  is a random noise. Asaoka proposes  $\epsilon_i$  to be Gaussian distributed with a 0-mean value.

The usual procedure is as follows:

- Assume prior distributions (Asaoka suggested using a Gaussian distribution.) We could also assume non-informative priors such as uniform distributions, say  $P(a)$ ,  $P(b)$ , and  $P(\sigma)$  if we wish to start from “I don’t know.”
- Define a likelihood function:  $P(S(t_{i+1})|a, b, S(t_i), \sigma) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{((t_{i+1})-(a+b \cdot S(t_i)))^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$ , where  $\sigma^2$  is the variance of the measurement errors. The joint likelihood for all observations is the product of the likelihoods for individual data points, i.e.,  $L(a, b, \sigma|Data) = \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} P(S(t_{i+1})|a, b, S(t_i), \sigma)$
- Find the posterior distributions for  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $\sigma$  using Baye’s theorem:  $P(a, b, \sigma|Data) \propto L(a, b, \sigma|Data) \cdot P(a) \cdot P(b) \cdot P(\sigma)$ . The posterior distribution combines the prior beliefs about  $a$  and  $b$  with evidence provided by the observed data to give updated estimates of these parameters.
- Predict the ultimate settlement:  $S_\infty^{(j)} = \frac{a^{(j)}}{1-b^{(j)}}$

# Recap

- ❑ Elementary mechanical behaviour of soils
- ❑ Generation and dissipation of pore pressure
- ❑ Engineering problems related to generation and dissipation of pore pressures
- ❑ Theory of consolidation
- ❑ Back to engineering... how to use knowledge of consolidation to solve engineering problems related to generation and dissipation of pore pressures
- ❑ Asaoka's observational method

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