

Department of Civil Engineering
CEL 222 Engg. Geology and Soil Mechanics
Major Test -II (part -soil)

Assume suitable value of missing data if necessary to solve questions.
Write units clearly

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10:30am - 12:30noon
Maximum Marks:100

Answer all questions

- Q 1. Four equations are given below. Write the meaning and units of each parameter. Also write when would you like to use these equations.

$$\rho = \frac{\Delta e}{1 + e_0} D \quad (1) \quad \rho = \left(\frac{a_v}{1 + e_0} \right) D \Delta \sigma' \quad (2)$$

$$\rho = C_c \log \left(\frac{\sigma' + \Delta \sigma'}{\sigma'} \right) \frac{D}{1 + e_0} \quad (3) \quad \rho = m_v D \Delta \sigma' \quad (4)$$

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- Q 2. For a constant head permeability test on a sand ($e = 0.46$), the values are given:

Length of specimen = 25 cm

Diameter of specimen = 6.25cm

Head difference = 45 cm

water collected in 20 min = 5 cm³

Show in the diagram above values and giving the equations, and units determine

- (i) Permeability (ii) Discharge velocity (iii) Seepage velocity

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- Q 3. The results of two drained triaxial shear tests on saturated clay follow:

Specimen	σ_3 kg/cm ²	$(\Delta \sigma_d)_f$ kg/cm ²
1	1.0	2.5
2	1.5	3.4

Determine the shear strength parameters c, ϕ, c', ϕ' (40)

- Q 4. From among the ranges of numerical values given, select the range valid for the following parameters:

a Water content, w in %

- (i) $w \leq 0$ (ii) $0 < w < 100$ (iii) $0 \leq w \leq 100$ (iv) $0 \leq w$

b Liquid limit for clayey soil

- (i) $LL < 100$ (ii) $LL > 0$ (iii) $LL = 0$ (iv) $0 < LL < 100$

c Pore water pressure u in a consolidation test at the end of consolidation

- (i) $u = 0$ (ii) $u > 0$ (iii) $u < 0$ (iv) $u = \text{Cell pressure}$
(15)