

SOIL SUCTION, WATER CONTENT, AND SPECIFIC VOLUME

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PROJECT _____ BORING/SAMPLE/DEPTH _____ DATE _____

SOIL SUCTION	PSYCHROMETER NO.																			
	SAMPLE CONTAINER NO.																			
	WATER CONTENT INCREMENT (0, +, -)																			
	THERMOCOUPLE OUTPUT	t, MILLIVOLTS																		
		T*, °C																		
	PSYCHROMETER OUTPUT	E _T , MICROVOLTS																		
	E** _{25°C} , MICROVOLTS																			
SOIL SUCTION †, TONS/FT ²		T																		
WATER CONTENT	TARE NO.																			
	WEIGHT IN GRAMS	TARE PLUS WET SOIL																		
		TARE PLUS DRY SOIL																		
		WATER		W _w																
		TARE																		
		DRY SOIL		W _s																
WATER CONTENT, PERCENT		w																		
WEIGHT-VOLUME RELATIONS	TEST TEMPERATURE OF WATER, °C																			
	WEIGHT IN GRAMS	WET SOIL AND WAX IN AIR																		
		WET SOIL		W																
		WAX																		
		WET SOIL AND WAX IN WATER																		
		DRY SOIL ††		W _s																
	SPECIFIC GRAVITY OF SOIL		G _s																	
	VOLUME IN CC	WET SOIL AND WAX †																		
		WAX																		
		WET SOIL		V																
		DRY SOIL = W _s / G _s		V _s																
	DENSITY PCF	WET DENSITY = (W/V) 62.4		γ _m																
		DRY DENSITY = (W _s /V) 62.4		γ _d																
	VOID RATIO = (V - V _s) / V _s		e																	
	POROSITY, % = [(V - V _s) / V] x 100		n																	
DEGREE OF SATURATION, % = [V _w / (V - V _s)] x 100		s																		
SPECIFIC VOLUME = 1 / γ _d		v _T																		

* T °C = t/0.0395

** E₂₅ = E_T / (0.325 + 0.027T)

† SEE INDIVIDUAL PSYCHROMETER CALIBRATION LINE

†† IF NOT MEASURED DIRECTLY, MAY BE COMPUTED AS FOLLOWS: $W = \frac{W}{1 + 0.01 W}$ VOLUME OF WAX = $\frac{\text{WEIGHT OF WAX}}{\text{SPECIFIC GRAVITY AT WAX}}$

‡ VOLUME OF WET SOIL AND WAX = $\frac{(\text{WEIGHT OF WET SOIL AND WAX IN AIR}) - (\text{WEIGHT OF WET SOIL AND WAX IN WATER})}{\text{DENSITY OF WATER AT TEST TEMPERATURE}}$