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Grain size analysis

Welcome I am Professor J.N. Mandal department of civil engineering in an institute of technology first time I showed you that sedimentation.

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Specimen calculation of sedimentation analysis:

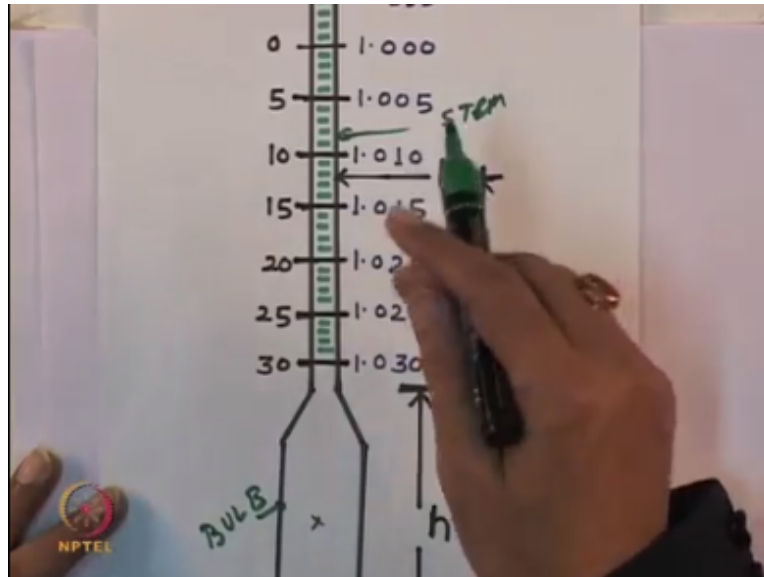
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Time t (min)	Hydro meter readin S_r	$r' = r + C_m$	Z, (cm)	$h = Z_r - V_r/2A$	$v = h/t$ (cm/min)	$R = r' - C_d$	R_w	$\sqrt{h/t}$	D (mm)	Percent finer, N	Correct ed percent finer, N'
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1	1.0145	1.0149	14.5411	13.1775	13.1775	1.0115	0.0155	3.6301	0.0468	49.07	22.43
2	1.0135	1.0139	14.8954	13.5318	6.7659	1.0105	0.0145	2.6011	0.0336	45.80	20.93
5	1.0120	1.0124	15.4268	14.0632	2.8126	1.0090	0.013	1.6771	0.0216	40.89	18.69
15	1.01	1.0104	16.1354	14.7718	0.9848	1.0070	0.011	0.9924	0.0128	34.35	15.70
30	1.0085	1.0089	16.6668	15.3032	0.5101	1.0055	0.0095	0.7142	0.0092	29.44	13.46
60	1.0075	1.0079	17.0211	15.6575	0.2610	1.0045	0.0085	0.5108	0.0066	26.17	11.96
120	1.0069	1.0073	17.3754	16.0118	0.1334	1.0035	0.0075	0.3653	0.0047	22.90	10.47
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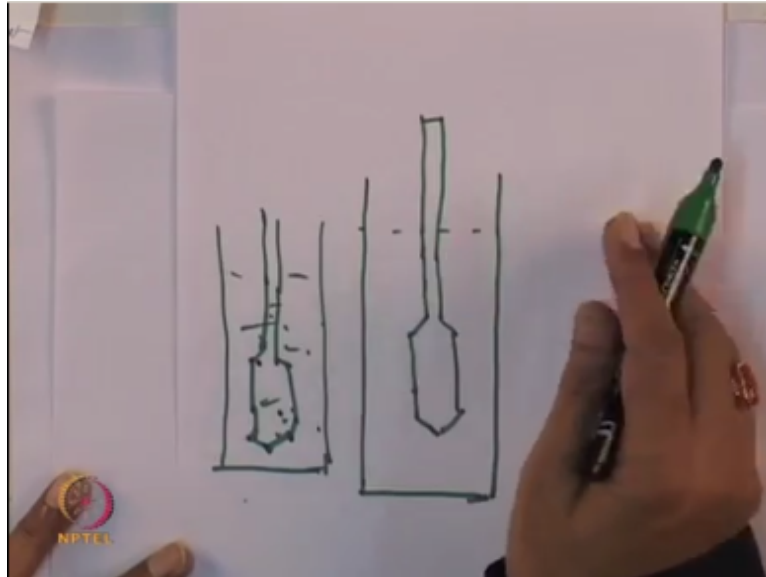
Calculation for sedimentation analysis, now we know that hydrometer and this.

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This is the hydrometer and this is the bulb this position is the bulb and this is the stem, so now the hydrometer you can take the ready, so if the height of the bulb is H here to take the radii from the center of the bulb and then you can read the hydrometer R_h . Now this hydrometer here to be inserted into the cylinder one.

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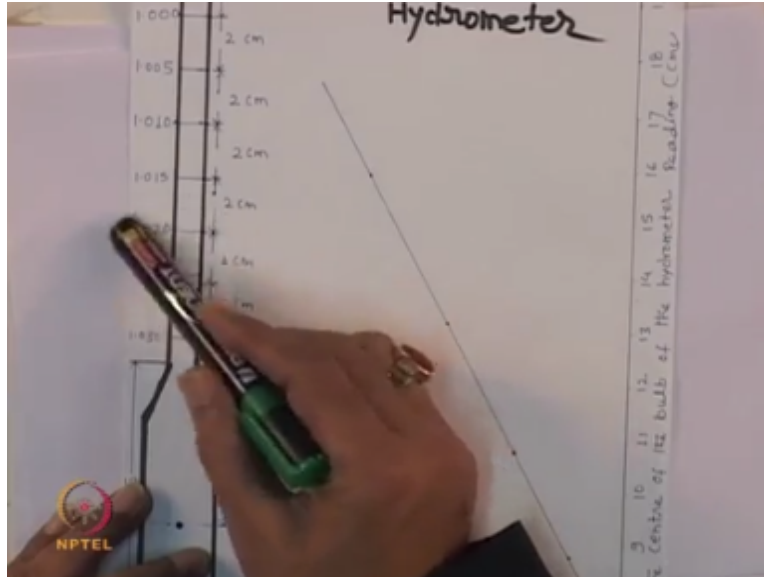


The image that water or the any liquid suspension will be there, so this is the hydrometer and this hydrometer here to insert a into this cylinder in which distill water or water suspension will be there, now we have to take the hydrometer reading this hydrometer leading you insert it and take the hydrometer leading at total a last time of half one and two minutes without removing the hydrometer, after the two minutes leading then remove the hydrometer this hydrometer is remove it without disturbance the suspension and raise it in the numbering one cylinder, so another numbering cylinder.

Is there in a distill water only should be there, this distill water so we have to press this hydrometer into this devring cylinder continuing only distill water and rearrange it by visiting motion this one okay, and if you want it to remove any soil particle that they have settle one it, then the subsequent ready after the period of 5 10 15 30 60 and 120 minutes and record heat the temperature of the soil water suspension using the thermometer and with the suspension as such for leading to be taken after 24 hour and 48 hour.

So this the table which it has been solve that after different time, it is here different hydrometer reading is taken under the different time so here to take the leading in different time and we have to measure the what should be the hydrometer reading, so how can you take the hydrometer reading we want this hydrometer reading it is necessary to calibrate the hydrometer, so how to calibrate the hydrometer so we have calibration of hydrometer is essential, so for example that this is the.

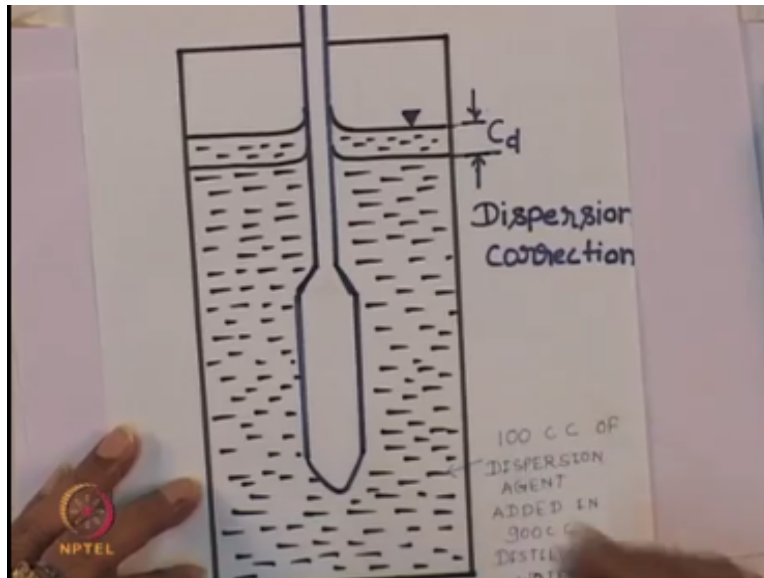
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Hydrometer and this height of this hydrometer is 12cm, so half of this about 6cm and from there it is 7cm and this hydrometer is reading 1.030 1.025 1.020 1.015 0.010 1.005 and 1.00 and 0.995 and this turns is 2cm interval so you can take any reading of hydrometer and then we can draw this from this height x axis this is height from the center of the bulb of the hydrometer reading and this is the hydrometer reading, so for example that if you want to or any hydrometer reading if you want to take at this location let us say this is $7 + 29 + 11$ and then you can read the reading 1.020.

So similarly for this 11 if you go for the 11 and then we can have the hydrometer reading 1.02 like that for any location we can calculate the what will be the hydrometer reading, so this y and this hydrometer has been calibrated and for the define hydrometer you can have the different types of the calibration chart. So this is important and then you can take the reading and can determine that what will be the reading for the hydrometer, now how to calculate the meniscus correction so here.

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I am showing this is the hydrometer and this is the distill water this is the cylinder so we inserted the hydrometer if this distill water if we insert this distill water you can see here you can have some meniscus correction, so this meniscus correction is to be added so this is the C_m here in this table also this meniscus correction here it is these meniscus correction C_a in reason test here and this here having 0.0004 so this why we will do the meniscus correction, now there are the another correction which is call the dispersion correction.

So similarly for the dispersion correction, so we require to insert this hydrometer into the under of dispersing agent added in 900 still distill water so here is a dispersing agent is added into distill water and then you are having the dispersion correction with this the negative that C_d so this dispersion correction has to be subtracted, so this way that C_d has been determined so one in case of meniscus correction this is entirely the distill water in case of the dispersion correction because your are putting some dispersing agent into the distill water and with that the dispersion correction which is C_d .

And in this table also it is showing that dispersion correction here dispersion correction $C_d = 0.0034$, so this why this dispersion correction can be measure, now another important that how we have to take the hydrometer reading and what should be effective depth of hydrometer that means that h on data or each.

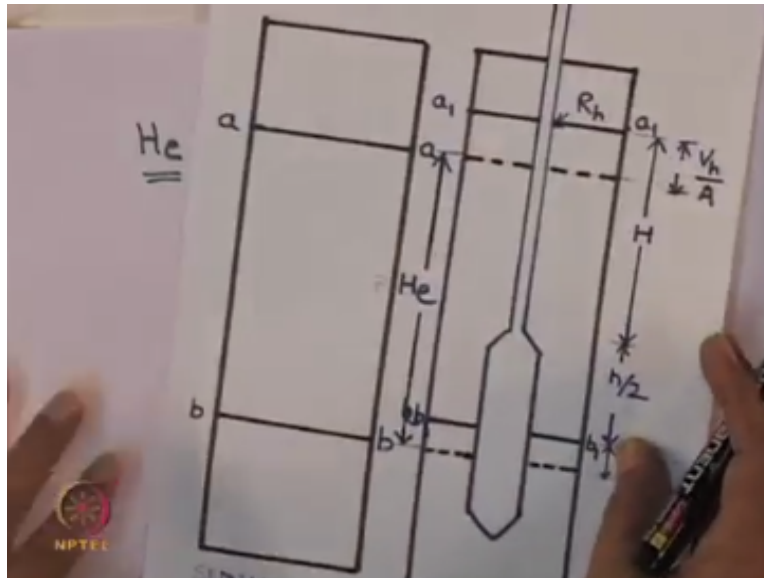
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$$H_e = \left(H + \frac{h}{2} + \frac{V_h}{2A} \right) - \frac{V_h}{A}$$

$$= H + \frac{1}{2} \left(h - \frac{V_h}{A} \right)$$

That H_e will be equal to $H + \frac{h}{2} + \frac{V_h}{2A}$ this $-\frac{V_h}{A}$ that means this will be $H + \frac{1}{2}$ of $h - \frac{V_h}{A}$, so you can calculate the effective depth H_e with this equation so this is constant half because this is hydrometer bulb this is almost the hydrometer and this is cross sectional area so this is constant so this can.

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So from this hydrometer reading we can say here this is your what you call H and this $h/2$, and this $Vh/2A$ this is $Vh / 2A$ and then $- Vh$ because we are taking the reading from here to here so $- Vh / A$ so that is why the $H_e = H + \frac{1}{2} h - \frac{Vh}{2A}$ so this is the immersion of the hydrometer so this is the effect of the hydrometer immersion here to take the reading from this equation, so this value hydrometer reading that this shown here that we that particular time let us having that H_e or the z value above 16 something okay, so we can measure that what should be the hydrometer reading also we require some temperature correction so because we have considered the temperature correction.

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Sr. No.	temperature in °C	Water η in poises
1	20 °C	0.01000
2	21 °C	0.009810
3	22 °C	0.009579
4	23 °C	0.009358
5	24 °C	0.009142
6	25 °C	0.008937
7	26 °C	0.008737
8	27 °C	0.008545
9	28 °C	0.008360
10	29 °C	0.008179
11	30 °C	0.008007
12		0.007840
13		0.007679
14		0.007523
		0.007371

Or we can determine that viscosity of water at different temperature so if the temperature is just 28°C and then viscosity of water 10.008360 and this viscosity I can also show you later that this value has been added, so viscosity is added that is equal to η and that depend upon what will be the temperature because if we insert the for meter into the suspension liquid and take the measurement of the temperature and you can add if is more than 27°C or if it is less the we can subtractive.

So you can do all the correction that means we required for the meniscus correction we require for the dispersion correction will measure the a temperature and you determine what should be the viscosity of the water okay , and that particular temperature now here to calculate that what should be the H that is $z / \sqrt{h} / 2$ here and then that you can calculate for a particular time so we can calculate that h, now we have to calculate that t that us H / t that is cm / m, so this can be.

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$$V = \frac{h}{t} = \frac{14.7718}{15} = 0.9847$$
 Dispersion Correction,

$$R = 1.0104 - 0.0034$$

$$= 1.0070 \quad (C_d = 0.0034)$$

That this can be calculated that is h/t and here h/z value here calculating here this value we are calculating so we know that what is h that is h this V okay this is B value we know that what is the h , we know that what is the time so we can calculate the V/h so V/h is equal to $h = 14.7718$ and this divided by that is 15 minutes time so this will be above 0.9847, so this is the V so here that v is showing above 0.98, now we have to correct the applying the dispersion correction in for dispersion correction.

So dispersion correction we say $R = 1.0104 - 0.0034$ so this will be 1.0070 because that dispersion corrections here we given 0.0034 so here that here the dispersion correction is 00C4 so it can be that 0034 and so R will be equal to 1.0014 that means whatever the reading we have taken here 1.0 0.04 and $-$ this dispersion correction that is basic C_d so align the dispersion correction, so we can correct this dispersion correction now we have to calculate what should be the vertical diameter that is.

So this dispersion correction then also we can calculate that what will be the R value also that water value is this one that is that $R_w = 0.996$ so this $R_e - R_w$ is 0.0016 now we have calculate this particle diameter that d so particle diameter particle diameter d .
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particle Diameter:

$$D = 10 \times \sqrt{\frac{18 \times \eta}{980 \times 60 \times (G_s - 1)}} \times \sqrt{\frac{h}{t}}$$

$$= 10 \times \sqrt{\frac{18 \times 0.00836}{980 \times 60 \times (2.54 - 1)}} \times \sqrt{0.9847}$$

$$= 0.128$$

Can be written as $10 \times \sqrt{18 \times \eta / 980 \times 60 \times G_s - 1} \times \sqrt{h / t}$ so that means this is $10 \times \sqrt{18 \times 0.00836}$ which I showed you or from this at a particular this temperature this viscosity is measure η is 0.00836 so this value $18 \times 0.00836 / 980 \times 60 \times (2.54 - 1) \times \sqrt{0.9847}$ already we have calculated this is here so we can calculate this 0.128 this is the particle diameter

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Then we can calculate particle diameter this will be correlate diameter is 0.01 and 0.128 this particle diameter is shown now we have to calculate the percent finer now we have calculate the percent finer that means percentage finer is diginitive at them. So percent finer so this percent from the $N = G_s/G_s - 1 * V_s/W_s * (R - R_w) * 100$.

So you know that G_s is 2.54 /2.54-1*1000 and this divide by 52.8*R value as R_w values also we called as also recorded this is the area we can nearly we can take that R_w value this I R and this R- R_w and R_w value is given 0.96 so this is R- R_w value so this is R this is R_w value. So you can write this 1. 007-0.996 * 100 for this we can determine that should be the in value at the 34.35.

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Percent fines:-

$$N = \frac{G_s}{G_s - 1} \times \frac{V_s}{W_s} (R - R_w) \times 100$$

$$= \frac{2.54}{2.54 - 1} \times \frac{1000}{52.8} (1.007 - 0.996) \times 100$$

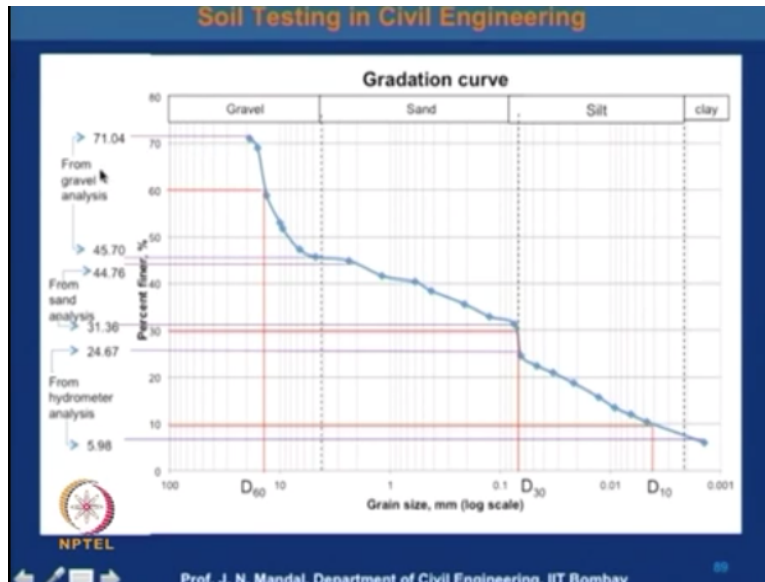
$$= 34.35$$

$$N' = \frac{N \times N_s}{100} = \frac{34.35 \times 45.7}{100}$$

$$= 15.7$$

So you have to type the $N' = N \times N_s / 100$ so this N value 34.35 which we have 45.7 s divided by 100. So this 15.7 so this in the N value as 16.70 this shows that I am showing that 1 of the particular time it will we can calculate the what should be the effective correlation and we can calculate by the data by the age per year we can calculate the V and we can calculate R then $R - R_w$ and then this diameter.

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So for the different line that we are calculating and it note that percent diameter also so how this table now from this table you can draw what will be the this side of the density so Gensen distribution curve it like this and this part is for the glummer analysis and this part for the sand analysis and then this part is for the hybrid ten analysis.

So this is the relationship between the grain size of this axis in millimeter giving in the side and this is the final percentage so how this relation curve is knowing that percentage that travel and what percentage of the sand is there in this side sample so this gradation curve is very important.

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Effective size = D_{10}
Uniformity Coefficient = C_u
 $= \frac{D_{60}}{D_{10}}$
Coefficient of Curvature (C_v)
 $= \frac{(D_{30})^2}{D_{10} \times D_{60}}$

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So how this gradation curve we can determine from the different parameters and some of the parameters is called that effective size is equal to D_{10} we can calculate that uniformity that coefficient and μ is equal to D_{60}/D_{10} . We can calculate also the coefficient of curvature and that is $D_{30}^2/D_{10} \times D_{60}$.

So how this gradation curve it can calculate 60% of this or 40% of this curve and 10% of the curve this is the detail and then you have to see the value will be here then we can calculate that what will be a correlation and what will be the curvature.

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Chapter 5: ATTERBERG LIMIT TEST

Aim and objective:

- To determine the range of moisture content which exhibits certain consistency of a given sample

Introduction :

- In 1911, Swedish scientist Atterberg reported an extensive study on the plasticity of soil.
- In the progressive transition from liquid state to solid state, the soil undergoes dramatic change in consistency.
- All limits are expressed as water contents.



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And also from this part we can also calculate that what should be the double so this double percentage so as well gravel 4.75mm and above and at the sand 0.075mm to 4.75mm and for the silt this is 0.075mm to 0.002 mm and clay as 2 micro that is 0.002mm and less. And you have these derivations so you can determine what is the percentage of gravel sand clay from this derivation. Thank you

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