

MODULE-3

- **Elastic and time dependent (Creep) behavior of rock and their determination**
- **Rock Deformability**

* Creep Behaviour of Rock Time dependent deformation - stress behaviour

(i) Creep strain

Change in strain with time without change in stress.

(ii) Creep strength

Maximum stress sustained by rock at which no failure will occur no matter how long stress is applied.

* CREEP LAW (after elastic limit)

1. GRIGG'S LAW

$$\epsilon = A + B \log t + C_p$$

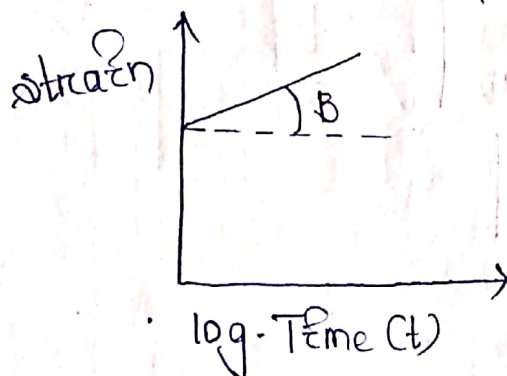
Where,

ϵ = Total strain at time (t)

A = Elastic strain

B log = Primary strain

C_p = Secondary strain



2. DBEST'S LAW

$$\epsilon_t = K \sigma^\alpha \left(\frac{t}{t_1} \right)^\alpha$$

Where,

ϵ_t = Total strain at time (t)

σ = stress difference ($\sigma_1 - \sigma_3$)

α = power function, depends on stress-strain relationship.

$\dot{\epsilon}$ = power function, depends on strain time relationship

K = Constant at t_1

t_1 = Variable depends upon stress-strain relationship.

* Rock experiences high creep = carbonate rocks (chalk, marble, limestone, sandstone, coal, shale.)

Factors Influencing Creep Behaviour

1. Nature of stress

Creep Rate is less in tension and bending than compressive load.

2. Level of stress

Creep rate and total strain depends on level of stress w.r.t yield stress (stress before breaking of rock)

$$\epsilon_p = \frac{1}{t} \left(\frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_3}{2\sigma} \right)^n$$

Where, ϵ_p = primary creep strain

$n = 1$ to 5 (at Room temperature) (20°C)

3. Type of Rock

4. Confining Pressure on Rock

Creep Rate is higher at high confining pressure.

5. Rock temperature

Creep Rate increases with temperature

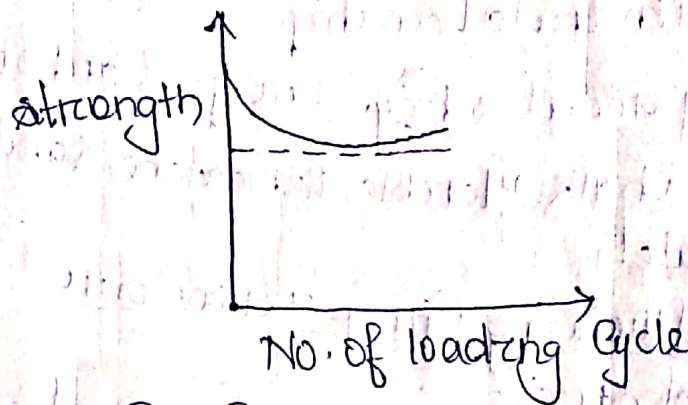
$$\epsilon_s = A \left(\frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_3}{\sigma} \right)^n \exp \left(\frac{-Q}{Kt} \right)$$

Where ϵ_s = secondary creep strain

Q = Activation energy

K = Universal Gas Constant

- t = Absolute temperature (K)
- A and n = Constants depend on rock type
6. Cyclic Loading
Creep rate increases with more loading.



7. Grain size in Rock

Fine grains are more resistance to creep at low temperature but at high temp. it is reversed.

8. Moisture content in Rock

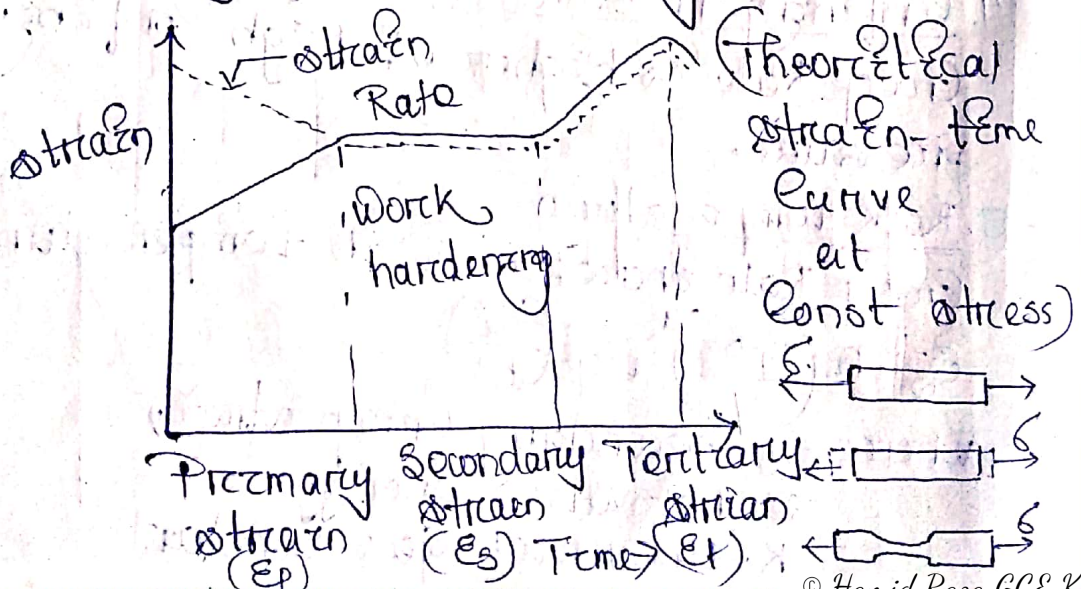
Creep rate increases with moisture content

9. Porosity

Creep rate increases with porosity.

10. Geological discontinuity

Creep rate increase $\left(\frac{d\epsilon}{dt}\right)$ with geological discontinuity.



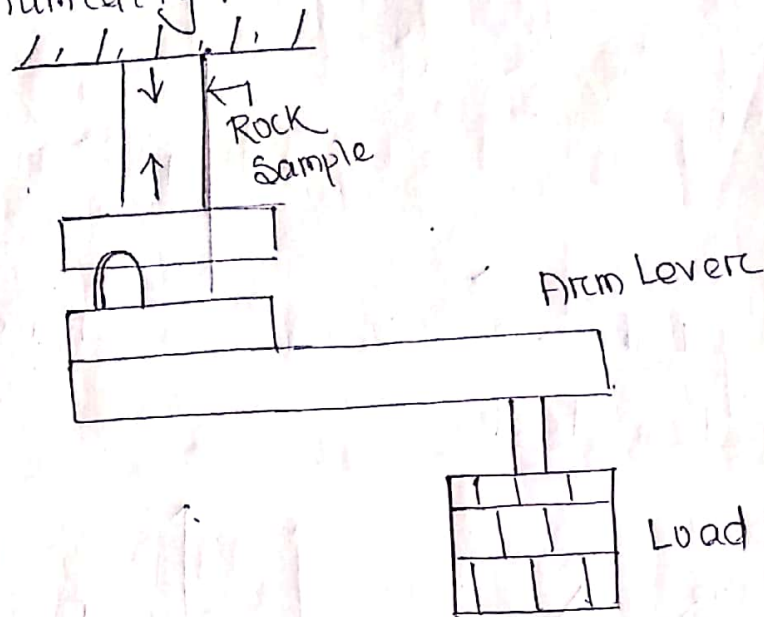
Determination of Creep Strain of Rock

There are two methods to determine the Creep Strain of Rock

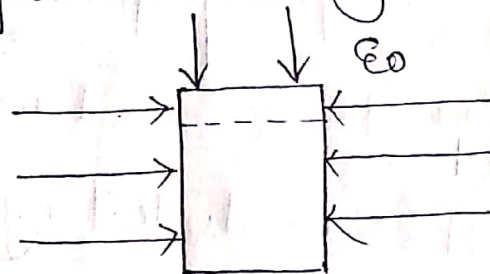
1. Laboratory Method
2. In situ Method

* Creep test apparatus is selected based on the following consideration.

- a) Capability to produce const. load for long period
- b) Arrangements for controlling temperature and humidity.



(Fig. Constant loading set up in compression)

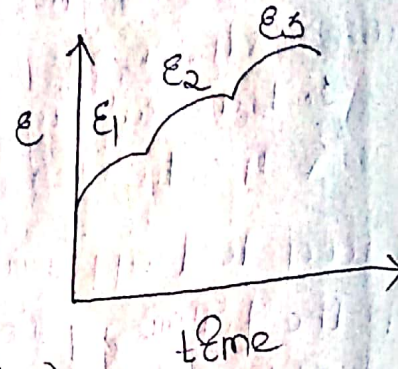
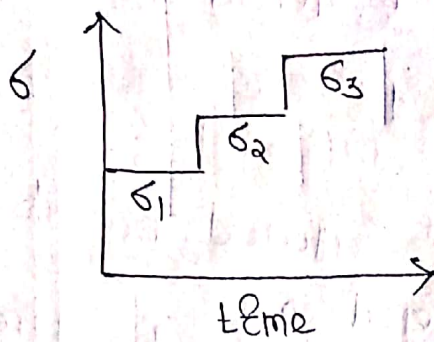


Laboratory test Triaxial test

Laboratory test is conducted by three tests

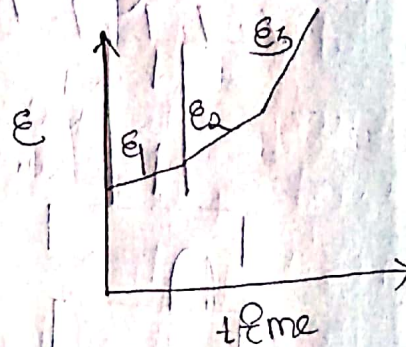
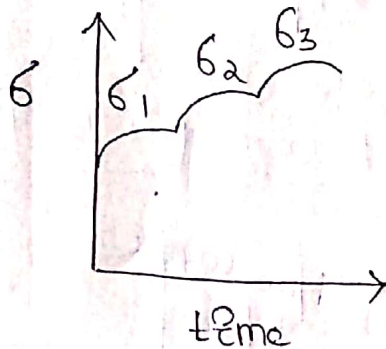
1. Constant stress test
2. Constant strain rate test
3. Relaxation test

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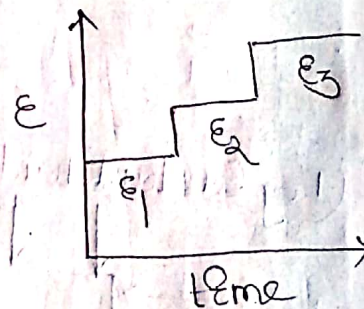
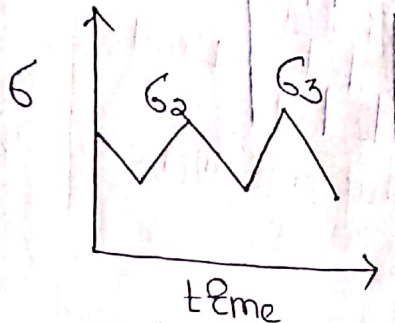


Here $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3 < ucs(\sigma_c)$

2. Constant strain rate ($\frac{d\epsilon}{dt}$) test



3. Relaxation test

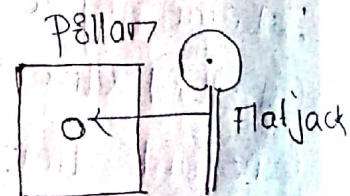
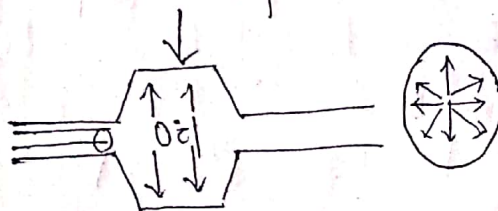


2. Insitu Creep Test

Insitu Creep Test is conducted by flat jack apparatus.

(i) Compressive load with flat jack

(ii) Internal pressure



Rock Deformability

- (*) Modulus of rock deformability is different from that the Modulus of intact elasticity which is the property of rock mass.
- (*) Modulus of deformability of rock mass is different from the modulus of elasticity which is the property of intact rock.
- (*) Hence it is better that the Modulus of deformation or deformability of rock mass is evaluated by intact test.

Deformability Test

Static Test

- (*) Large static load are applied on the rock surface and the subsequent deformation is observed.
 - a) plate load test
 - b) Bore hole test
 - c) Pressure tunnel test

Dynamic Test

- (*) The Velocity of propagation of elastic wave is measured and deformation is evaluated.

a). PLATE LOAD TEST

- (*) This method consists of applying a normal load to an exposed surface of rock by means of a hydraulic jack and measuring the resulting displacement of rock surface.

$$\text{Deformation Modulus} = \delta = \frac{mp(1-\mu)}{EA}$$

δ = Avg. surface displacement of rock surface

m = Displacement coefficient

p = Total normal surface load

μ = Poisson's Ratio

E = Modulus of deformation of subgrade

A = Area of loading plate

$$I_m = \frac{K \times p \times \pi \times a (1 - \mu^2)}{V}$$

Where $K = 0.5$ (For a perfect rigid plate)
 0.54 (For a perfect flexible)

p - Applied pressure

a - Radius of plate

μ - Poisson's Ratio

V - Avg. displacement of plate

Case $\Gamma = E_m$ (If rock and surface are elastic)

2. Pressure Tunnel Test

(i) It is also known as pressure chamber test

(ii) In this test, a part of the circular tunnel is shield by concrete wall known as bulk head.

(iii) Then the shield portion is radially loaded by hydrostatic pressure / fluid pressure.

(iv) The diametrical deformation of the rock tunnel is observed which helps in determination of modulus of elasticity of rock material.

Where, d - dia of tunnel

$$\Delta d = \frac{d \times p \times (1 - \mu)}{E}$$

p - Intensity of uniform radial hydrostatic pressure

μ - Poisson's Ratio

E - Modulus of elasticity

Advantages

(i) Rock deformation can be known in any direction

(ii) The hydrostatic pressure on rock in a tunnel can be sustained for a long period of time to observe long term effect

Disadvantages

(i) It is very expensive.

(ii) It brings about tensile stress in rock and if exceeded by compressive strength of rock then radial crack can be occurred

3. Bore hole test (It is economical)

- (i) The instrument used is known as dilatometer or deformatometer.
- (ii) It consists of a shell which can be inserted in the borehole at any depth.
- (iii) The shell is filled with oil and pressure is applied to the oil.
- (iv) The shell expands laterally and pushes the wall of the borehole thus imparting pressure with the help of transducer.
- (v) The deformation of rock mass is measured by

$$\epsilon_m = 0.8 \times Q_h \times \left(\frac{D}{\Delta D} \right)^{T\phi}$$

Where Q_h = Increase in hydraulic Pressure

D = Dia of hole

ΔD = Increase in dia

$T\phi$ = A coefficient depends on Poisson's Ratio.

μ	0.1	0.2	0.25	0.3
$T\phi$	1.519	1.474	1.438	1.397

Finite Element Method (FEM)

- (i) FEM is a numerical technique to perform finite element analysis of any given physical phenomena.
- (ii) It is necessary to use mathematics for comprehensively understand and rectify any physical phenomena such as structure, flow behaviour, thermal transport and wave propagation etc.
- (iii) For the vast majority of geometry and problems are generally expressed in terms of partial differential eqn which can't be solved by analytical method.

(iv) Therefore these "discretization method" approximate "partial diff. eqn" (pde) with "numerical models" which can be solved using numerical method.

(v) The aim of numerical model can are approximation of the real eqn.

Types of Failure

- a) Rupture
- b) Brittle fracture
- c) Shear fracture

Rupture

(i) Rupture occurs when ductile material fails in tension.

(ii) It is preceded by a plastic deformation causing necking.

(iii) It is also known as cup and cone fracture.

Brittle fracture

(i) It occurs in brittle material when subject to tension and causing tensile or cleavage fracture in a plane perpendicular to the direction of tension.

Shear fracture

(i) Shear fracture occurs in brittle material when subjected to compression.

(ii) The failure plane occurs along the direction of max^m shear stress.