

01. Degree of consolidation is
- Directly proportional to time and inversely proportional to drainage path
 - Directly proportional to time and inversely proportional to square of drainage path
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02. Time factor for a clay layer is
- A dimensional parameter
 - Directly proportional to permeability of soil
 - Inversely proportional to drainage path
 - Independent of thickness of clay layer

03. If the time required for 50% consolidation of a remoulded sample of clay with single drainage is t , then the time required to consolidate the same degree of consolidation but with double drainage is
- $t/4$
 - $t/2$
 - $2t$
 - $4t$

04. Clay layer A with single drainage and coefficient of consolidation C takes 6 months to achieve 50% consolidation. The time taken by clay layer B of the same thickness with double drainage and coefficient of consolidation $C/2$ to achieve the same degree of consolidation is
- 3 months
 - 6 months
 - 12 months
 - 24 months

05. Coefficient of consolidation for clays normally
- Decreases with increase in liquid limit
 - Increase with increase in liquid limit
 - First increases and then decreases with increase in liquid limit
 - Remains constant at all liquid limits

06. Direct measurement of permeability of the specimen at any stage of loading can be made

- Only in fixed ring type consolidometer
 - Only in floating ring type consolidometer
 - Both (a) and (b)
 - None of the above
07. Compressibility of sandy soils is
- Almost equal to that of clayey soils
 - Much greater than that of clayey soils
 - Much less than that of clayey soils
 - None of the above

08. Select the correct statements.

- Coefficient of compressibility of an over-consolidated clay is less than that of a normally consolidated clay
- Coefficient of compressibility of an over-consolidated clay is greater than that of a normally consolidated clay
- Coefficient of compressibility is constant for any clay
- None of the above

09. Coefficient of compressibility is

- Constant for any type of soil
- Different for different types of soils and also different for a soil under different states of consolidation
- Different for different types of soils but same for a soil under different states of consolidation
- Independent of type of soil but depends on the stress history of soil

10. The ultimate consolidation settlement of a structure resting on a soil

- Decreases with the increase in the initial voids ratio
- Decreases with the decrease in the plastic limit
- Increase with the increase in the initial voids ratio
- Increases with the decrease in the porosity of the soil

11. The ultimate consolidation settlement of a soil is

- Directly proportional to the voids ratio
- Directly proportional to the compression index
- Inversely proportional to the compression index
- None of the above

12. A normally consolidated clay settled 10 mm when effective stress was increased from 100 kN/m^2 to 200 kN/m^2 . If the effective stress is further increased from 200 kN/m^2 to 400 kN/m^2 then the settlement of the same clay is

- 10 mm
- 20 mm
- 40 mm
- None of the above

13. Coarse grained soils are best compacted by a

- Drum roller
- Rubber tyred roller
- Sheep's foot roller
- Vibratory roller

14. With the increase in the amount of compaction energy

- Optimum water content increases but maximum dry density decreases
- Optimum water content decreases but maximum dry density increases
- Both optimum water content and maximum dry density increases
- Both optimum water content and maximum dry density decreases.

15. The maximum dry density upto which any soil can be compacted depends upon

- Moisture content only
- Amount of compaction energy only
- Both moisture content and amount of compaction energy
- None of the above

16. Relationship between dry density γ_d , percentage air voids n_a , water content w and specific gravity G of any soil is

- $\gamma_d = \frac{(1+n_a)G\gamma_w}{1+wG}$
- $\gamma_d = \frac{(1+n_a)G\gamma_w}{1-wG}$
- $\gamma_d = \frac{(1-n_a)G\gamma_w}{1+wG}$
- $\gamma_d = \frac{(1-n_a)G\gamma_w}{1-wG}$

17. For better strength and stability the fine grained soils and coarse grained soils are compacted respectively as

- Dry of OMC and wet of OMC
- Wet of OMC and dry of OMC
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18. Select the incorrect statements.

- a. Effective cohesion of a soil can never have a negative value
- b. Effective angle of internal friction for coarse grained soils is rarely below 30° .
- c. Effective angle of internal friction for a soil increase as state of compactness increases.
- d. Effective angle of internal friction is a complicated function of mineralogy and clay size content.

19. For a loose sand sample and a dense sand sample consolidated to the same mineralogy stress

- a. Ultimate strength is same and also peak strength is same
- b. Ultimate strength is different but peak strength is same
- c. Ultimate strength is same but peak strength of dense sand is greater than that of loose sand
- d. Ultimate strength is same but peak strength of loose sand is greater than that of dense sand

20. The shear strength of a soil

- a. Is directly proportional to the angle of internal friction of the soil
- b. Is inversely proportional to the angle of internal friction of the soil
- c. Decreases with increase in normal stress
- d. Decreases with decrease in normal stress

21. In a consolidated drained test on a normally consolidated clay, the volume of the soil sample during shear

- a. Decreases
- b. Increases
- c. Remains unchanged
- d. First increases and then decreases

22. skempton's pore pressure coefficient B for saturated soil is

- a. 1
- b. Zero
- c. Between 0 and 1
- d. Greater than 1

23. Shear strength of a soil is a unique function of

- a. Effective stress only
- b. Total stress only
- c. Both effective stress and total stress
- d. None of the above

24. In a deposit of normally consolidated clay

- a. Effective stress increase with depth but water content of soil and undrained strength decrease with depth
- b. effective stress and water content increase with depth but undrained strength decreases with depth
- c. Effective stress and undrained strength increases with depth but water content decreases with depth
- d. Effective stress, water content and undrained strength decrease with depth

25. Select the incorrect statement. effective angle of shearing resistance

- a. Increases as the size of particles increases
- b. Increases as the soil gradation improves
- c. Is limited to a maximum value of 45°
- d. Is rarely more than 30° for fine grained soil

26. Unconfined compressive strength test is

- a. Undrained test
- b. Drained test
- c. Consolidated undrained test
- d. Consolidated drained test

27. A cylindrical specimen of saturated soil failed under an axial vertical stress of 100kN/m^2 when it was laterally unconfined. The failure plane was inclined to the horizontal plane at an angle of 45° the value of cohesion and angle of interval friction for the soil are respectively

- a. 0.5 N/mm^2 and 30°
- b. 0.05 N/mm^2 and 0°
- c. 0.2 N/mm^2 and 0°
- d. 0.05 N/mm^2 and 45°

28. In an unconfined compression test on a clay specimen of initial volume V and length L, the area of cross-section at failure is taken as

- a. $\frac{V}{L-\Delta L}$
- b. $\frac{V+\Delta V}{L-\Delta L}$
- c. $\frac{V-\Delta V}{L-\Delta L}$
- d. $\frac{V}{L+\Delta L}$

29. The angle that coulomb's failure envelope makes with the horizontal is called

- a. Cohesion
- b. Angle of internal friction
- c. Angle of repose
- d. None of the above

30. In a triaxial compression test on a soil specimen, the intermediate principal stress is equal to

- a. Major principal stress
- b. Minor principal stress
- c. Difference between major and minor principal stresses
- d. None of the above