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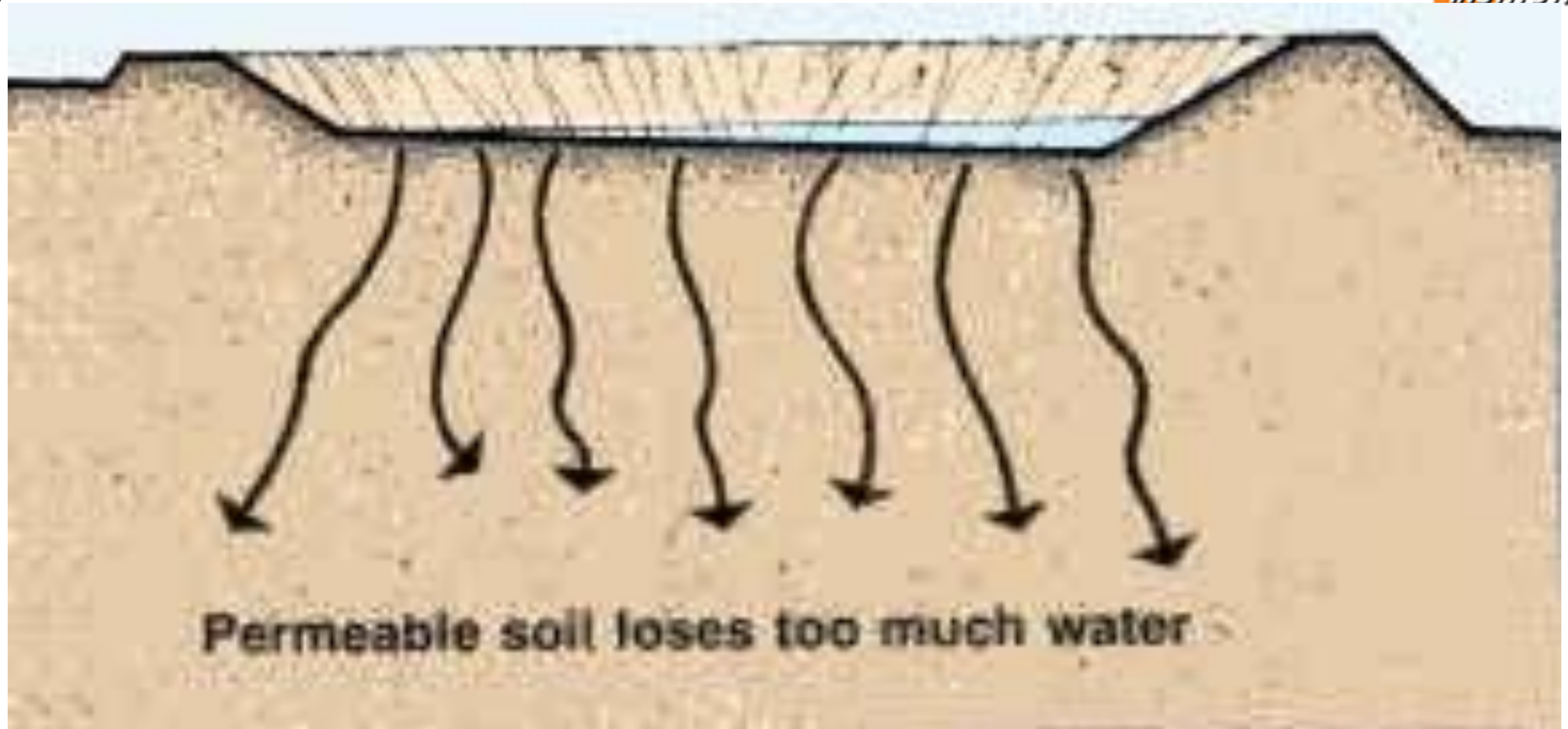
DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL ENGINEERING

19CEB301- SOIL MECHANICS

III YEAR V SEM

UNIT 2 – SOIL WATER AND WATER FLOW

Topic 4 : Permeability

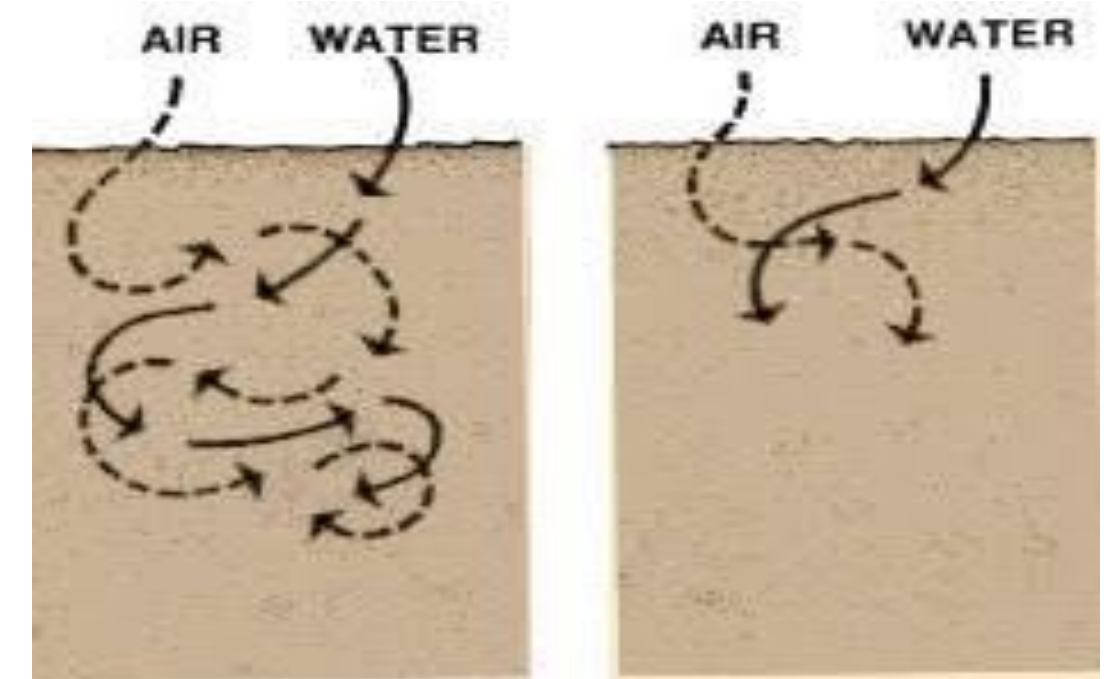




DEFINITION



- ❖ Process of permitting the flow of water through its inter connecting voids
- ❖ Water flow from region of high potential to low potential





DARCY'S LAW



- ❖ Flow is uniform and steady
- ❖ Flow is continuous
- ❖ Flow is laminar
- ❖ Reynold's number less than 1
- ❖ Velocity is directly proportional to hydraulic gradient



PERMEABILITY OF VARIOUS SOILS



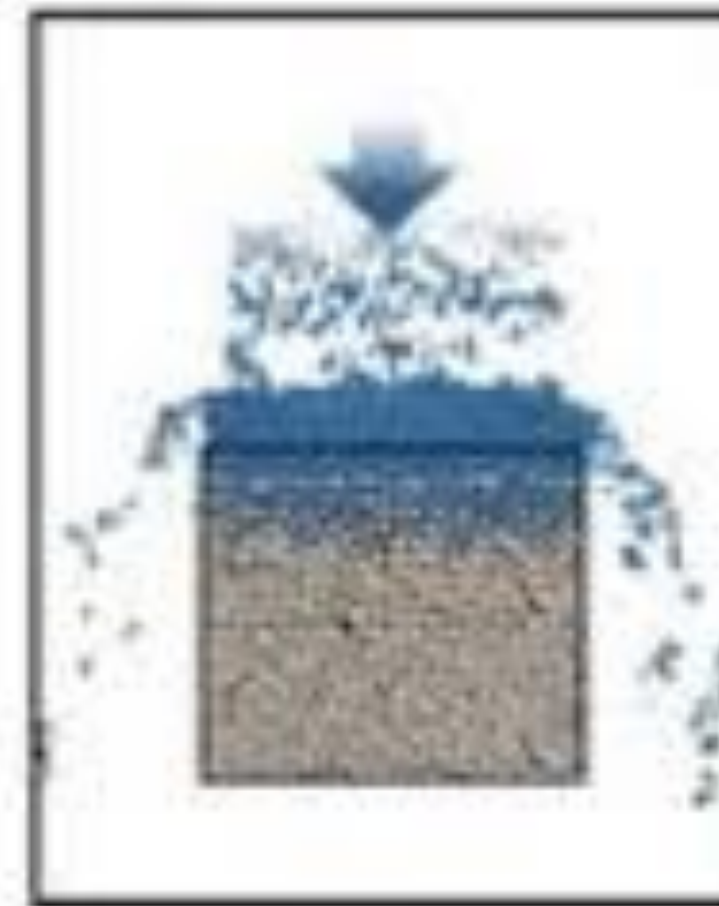
Infiltration Variations by Soil Texture



Sand



Silt



Clay

(The COMET Program)

APPLICATIONS



- ❖ Seepage of dams
- ❖ Stress computations
- ❖ Bearing Capacity
- ❖ Co-efficient of permeability



ASSESSMENT



- ❖ What is Reynold's Number ?
- ❖ What is the range of permeability for different soils?
- ❖ What is co-efficient of permeability ?



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