

$$H = \frac{c_{dev}}{\gamma_{soil} [\sin\beta \cos\beta - \tan\phi_{dev} (\cos^2\beta - r_u)]}$$

← Use this equation

$$r_u = \frac{u}{\gamma_{soil} H}$$

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How to solve slope stability problems:

1- Given

$$\gamma_{soil} = \checkmark$$

$$\phi = \checkmark$$

$$c = \checkmark$$

$$r_u = \checkmark$$

$$F.S. = \checkmark$$

Find: H = ???

Solution

$$\tan\phi_{dev} = \frac{\tan\phi}{F.S._\phi}$$

$$c_{dev} = \frac{c}{F.S._c}$$

$$H = \frac{c_{dev}}{\gamma_{soil} [\sin\beta \cos\beta - \tan\phi_{dev} (\cos^2\beta - r_u)]}$$

2- Given

$$\gamma_{soil} = \checkmark$$

$$\phi = \checkmark$$

$$c = \checkmark$$

$$r_u = \checkmark$$

$$H = \checkmark$$

Find: F.S. = ???

Assumed FS_ϕ Calculated FS_c

1.0	2.5
2	XX
3	XX

Solution

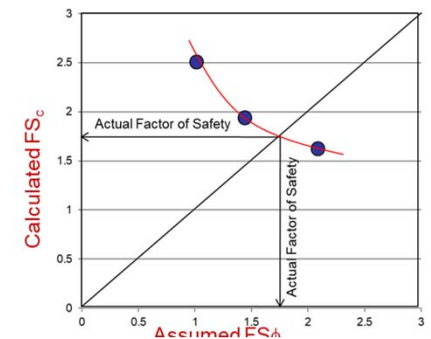
1- Assume $F.S._\phi = \dots$

$$\tan\phi_{dev} = \frac{\tan\phi}{F.S._\phi}$$

$$H = \frac{c_{dev}}{\gamma_{soil} [\sin\beta \cos\beta - \tan\phi_{dev} (\cos^2\beta - r_u)]}$$

Find $c_{dev} = \dots$ and $F.S._c = \frac{c}{c_{dev}}$

If $FS_c \neq FS_\phi$ Assume different value for FS_ϕ and repeat the trial and error



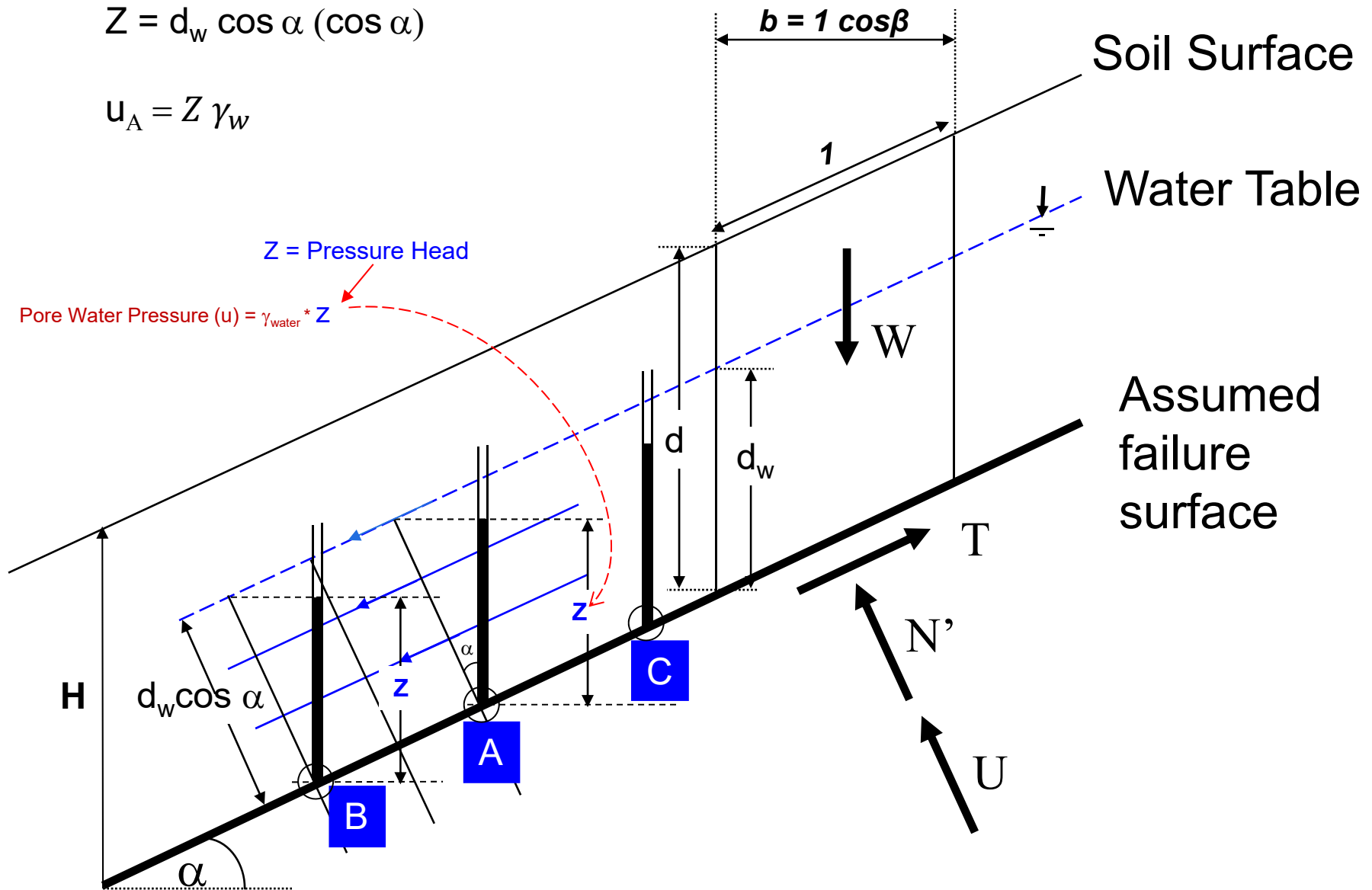
For the infinite slope shown below, what is the pore water pressure at points A, B and C ?

$$Z = d_w \cos \alpha (\cos \alpha)$$

$$u_A = Z \gamma_w$$

$Z = \text{Pressure Head}$

Pore Water Pressure (u) = $\gamma_{\text{water}} * Z$



Solved Example:

Given:

$$\gamma = 112 \text{ pcf}$$

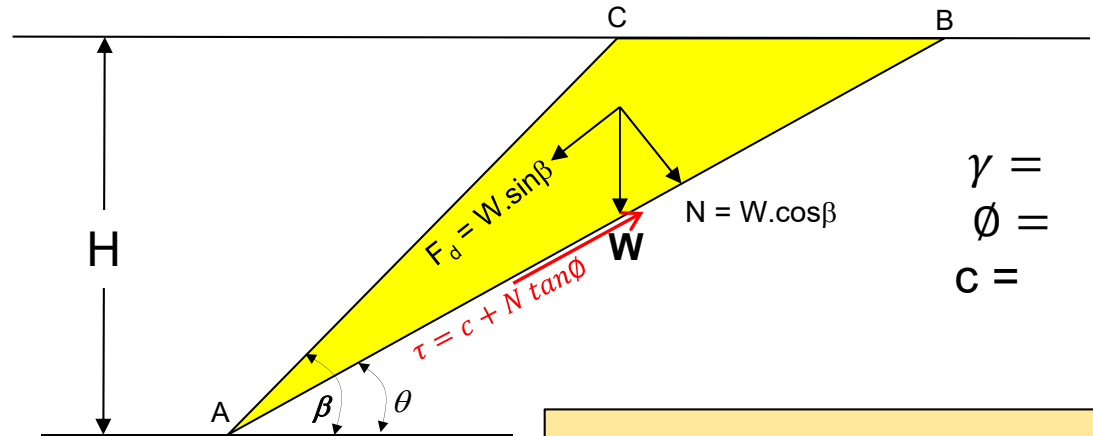
$$\beta = 55^\circ$$

$$\phi = 26^\circ$$

$$\theta = 35^\circ$$

$$c = 520 \text{ psf}$$

$$H = 8'$$



$$\gamma =$$

$$\phi =$$

$$c =$$

Find:

$$F.S. = ?????$$

Solution 2:

Since we don't know the F.S of the slope ($F.S_c = F.S_\phi$), then

1- First Trial

$$\text{Assume } F.S_\phi = 1 \dots \phi_d = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\tan \phi}{F.S} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\tan 26}{1} \right) = 26^\circ$$

2- Find $F.S_c$

$$c_d = \frac{\gamma H}{2} \left[\frac{\sin(\beta - \theta)(\sin \theta - \cos \theta \tan \phi_d)}{\sin \beta} \right] = \frac{112 \times 8}{2} \left[\frac{\sin(55 - 35)(\sin 35 - \cos 35 \tan 26)}{\sin 55} \right] =$$

$$c_d = \frac{c}{F.S_c} \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow F.S_c = \frac{520}{18.68} = 27.8$$

3- Second Trial

$$\text{Assume } F.S_\phi = 2 \dots \phi_d = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\tan \phi}{F.S} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\tan 26}{2} \right) = 13.7^\circ$$

$$H_{cr} = \frac{2c}{\gamma} \left[\frac{\sin \beta}{\sin(\beta - \theta)(\sin \theta - \cos \theta \tan \phi)} \right]$$

$$H_{des} = \frac{2c_d}{\gamma} \left[\frac{\sin \beta}{\sin(\beta - \theta)(\sin \theta - \cos \theta \tan \phi_d)} \right]$$

$$c_d = \frac{\gamma H}{2} \left[\frac{\sin(\beta - \theta)(\sin \theta - \cos \theta \tan \phi_d)}{\sin \beta} \right]$$

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$$c_d = \frac{c}{F.S_c} \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow F.S_c = \frac{520}{18.68} =$$

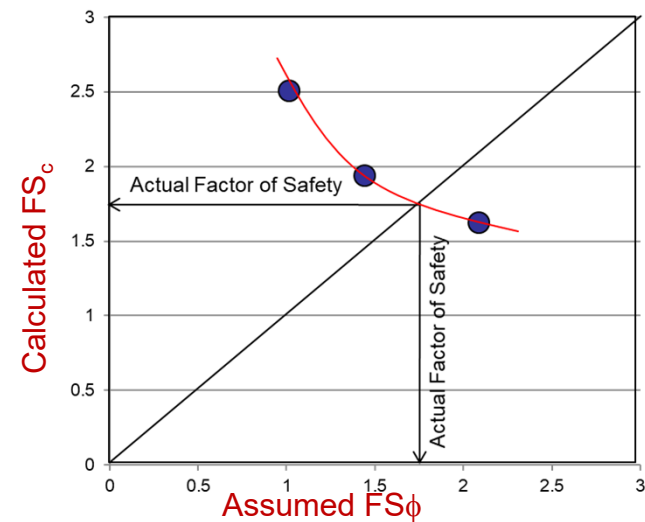
If $F.S_c \neq 2 \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow$ Assume another value for $F.S_\phi$

Trial 3

After 3 or 4 trials, draw the relationship between Assumed $F.S_\phi$ and Calculated $F.S_c$

Assumed $F.S_\phi$ Calculated $F.S_c$

1.0	2.5
2	XX
3	XX



Problem 5

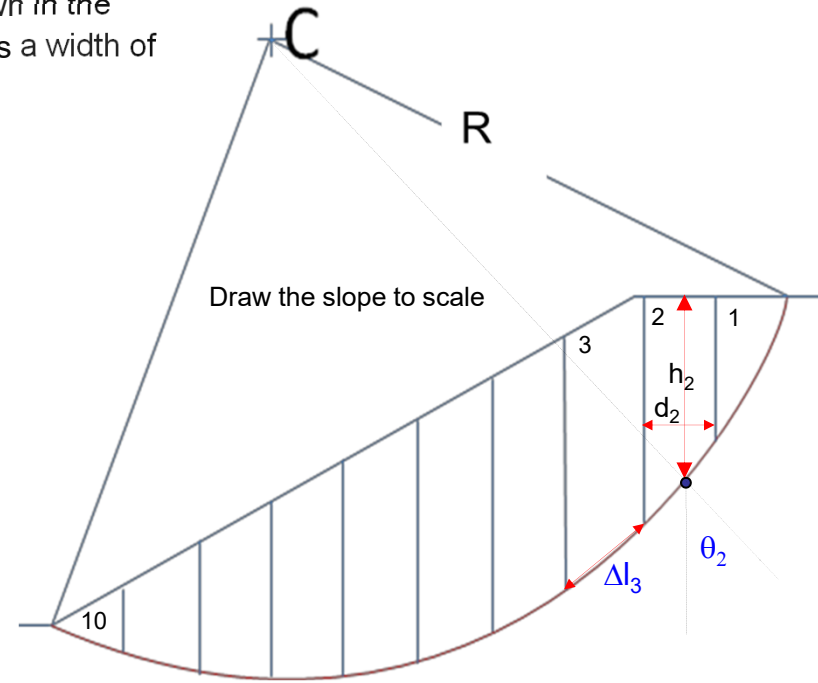
Find the factor of safety for a 20 meter high 2H - 1 V slope shown in the following figure using ordinary method of slices. Each slice has a width of 5 meters.

$$\gamma = 16 \text{ kN/m}^3$$

$$c = 20 \text{ kPa}$$

$$\phi = 20^\circ$$

$$R = 38.1 \text{ m}$$



$$W_2 = h_2 \times b_2 \times \gamma_{soil}$$

Slice	Width Δx (ft)	Ave Heig ht (ft)	Weigh t (Kips)	θ_i	$W_i \sin \theta_i$	$W_i \cos \theta_i$	u_i	Δl_i	$U_i = u_i \Delta l_i$	$N_i = W_i \cos \theta_i - U_i$
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2										
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9										
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$$F.S. = \frac{cL + \tan \phi \sum_{i=1}^{i=n} (W_i \cos \theta_i - u_i \Delta l_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^{i=n} W_i \sin \theta_i}$$