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# IMPLICATIONS OF UNSATURATED RESPONSE IN THE BEHAVIOUR OF RETAINING STRUCTURES THROUGH THE USE OF COMPUTATIONAL TOOLS



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Hay un país  
para volver:  
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Combinations  
diafragm-wall, curtain  
piles + soil nailing +  
anchors

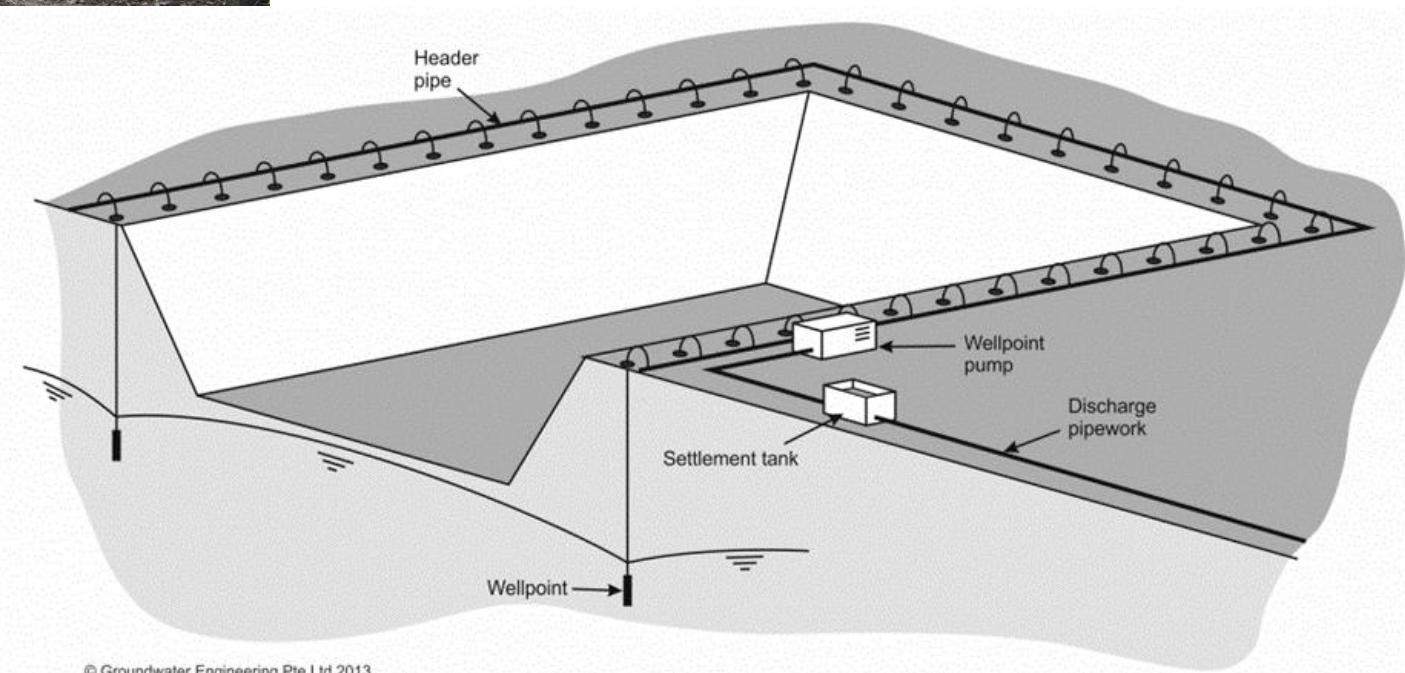
Design highly  
conservatives  
+  
Environmental  
variables



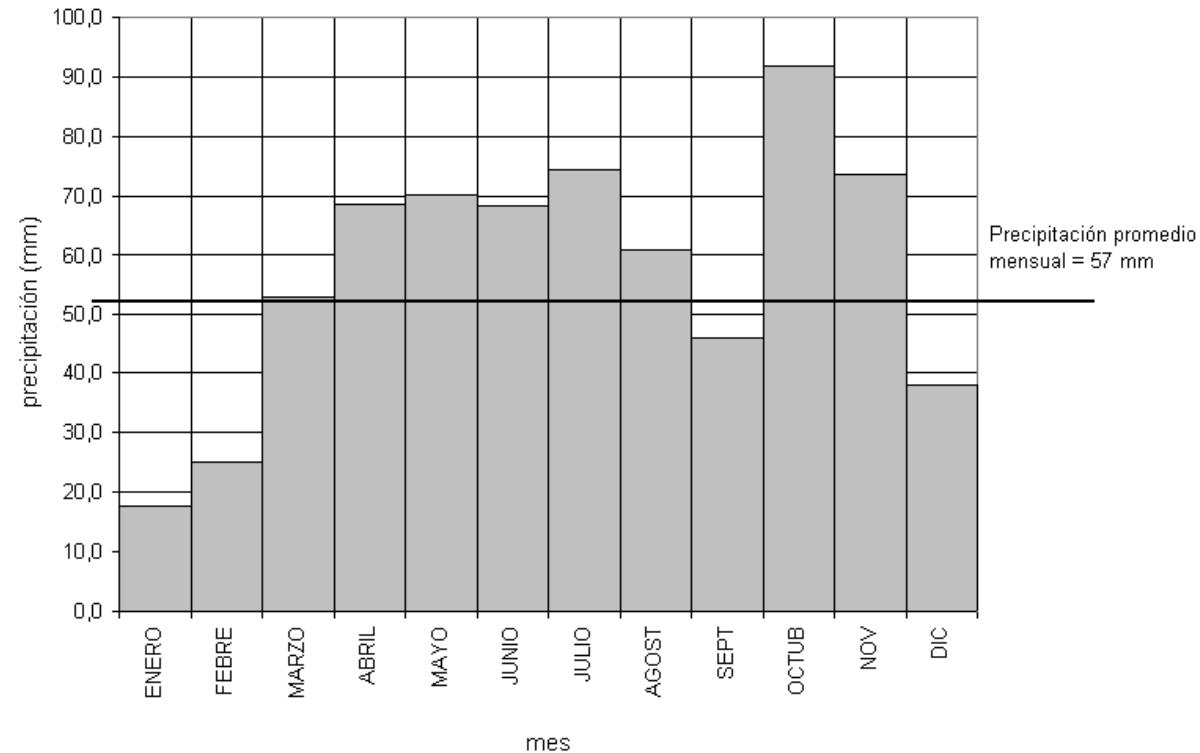


Phenomenon  
present only at  
profiles with  
deep GWL?

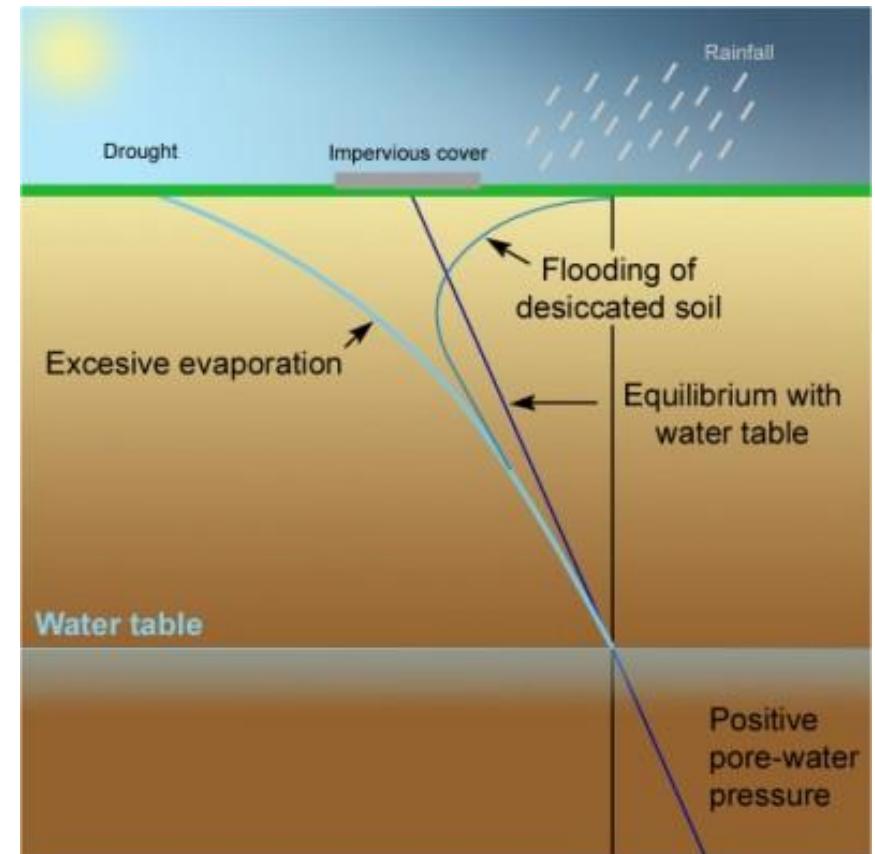
Dry or tropical  
climate?



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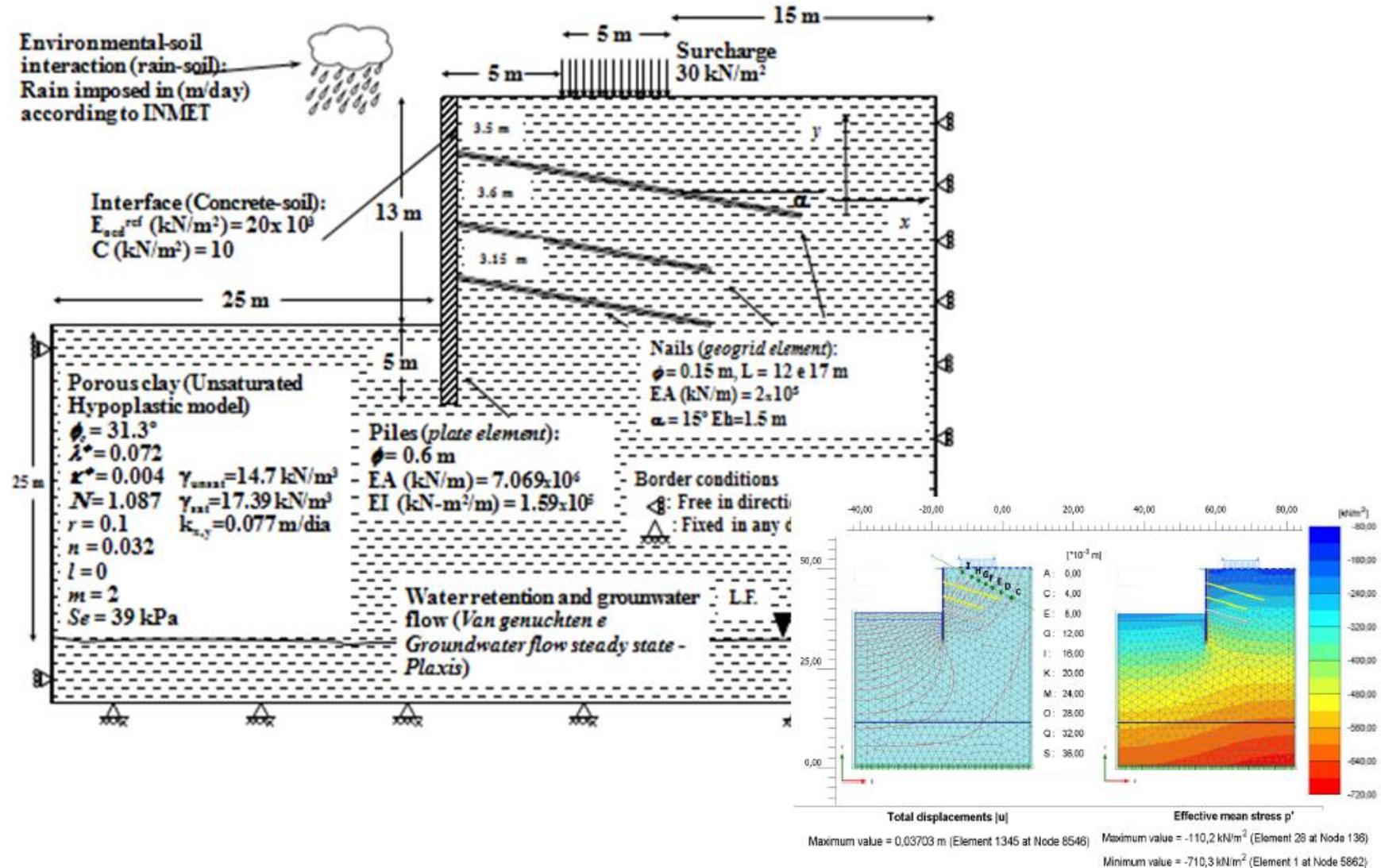
Dry and wet season very pronounced?



Global climate change??

- ✓ Background
- ✓ Objective
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  - ✓ Atmosphere soil-interaction
  - ✓ Reference constitutive model
  - ✓ Numerical simulations
- ✓ Results
- ✓ Concluding remarks

# BACKGROUND

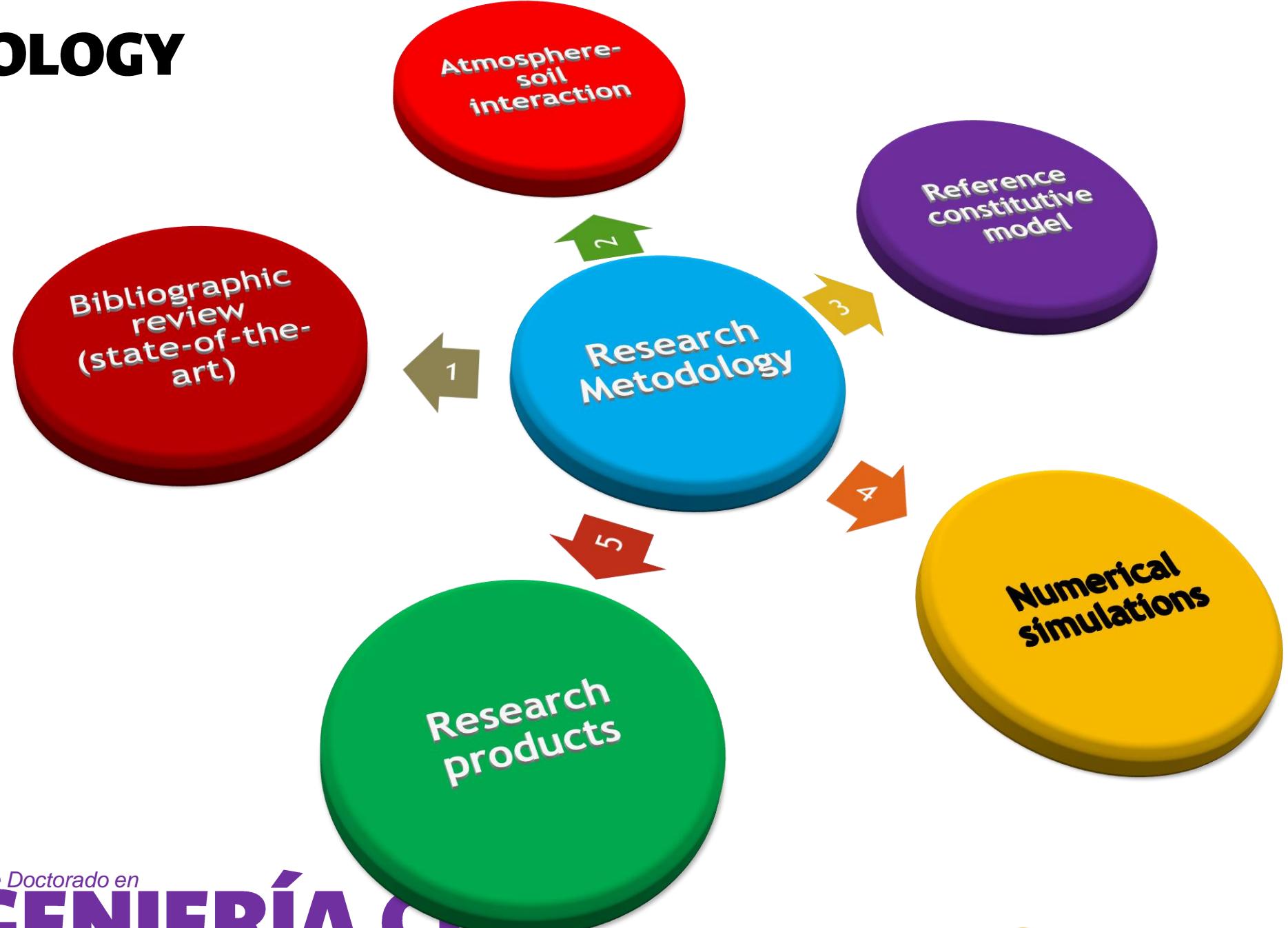


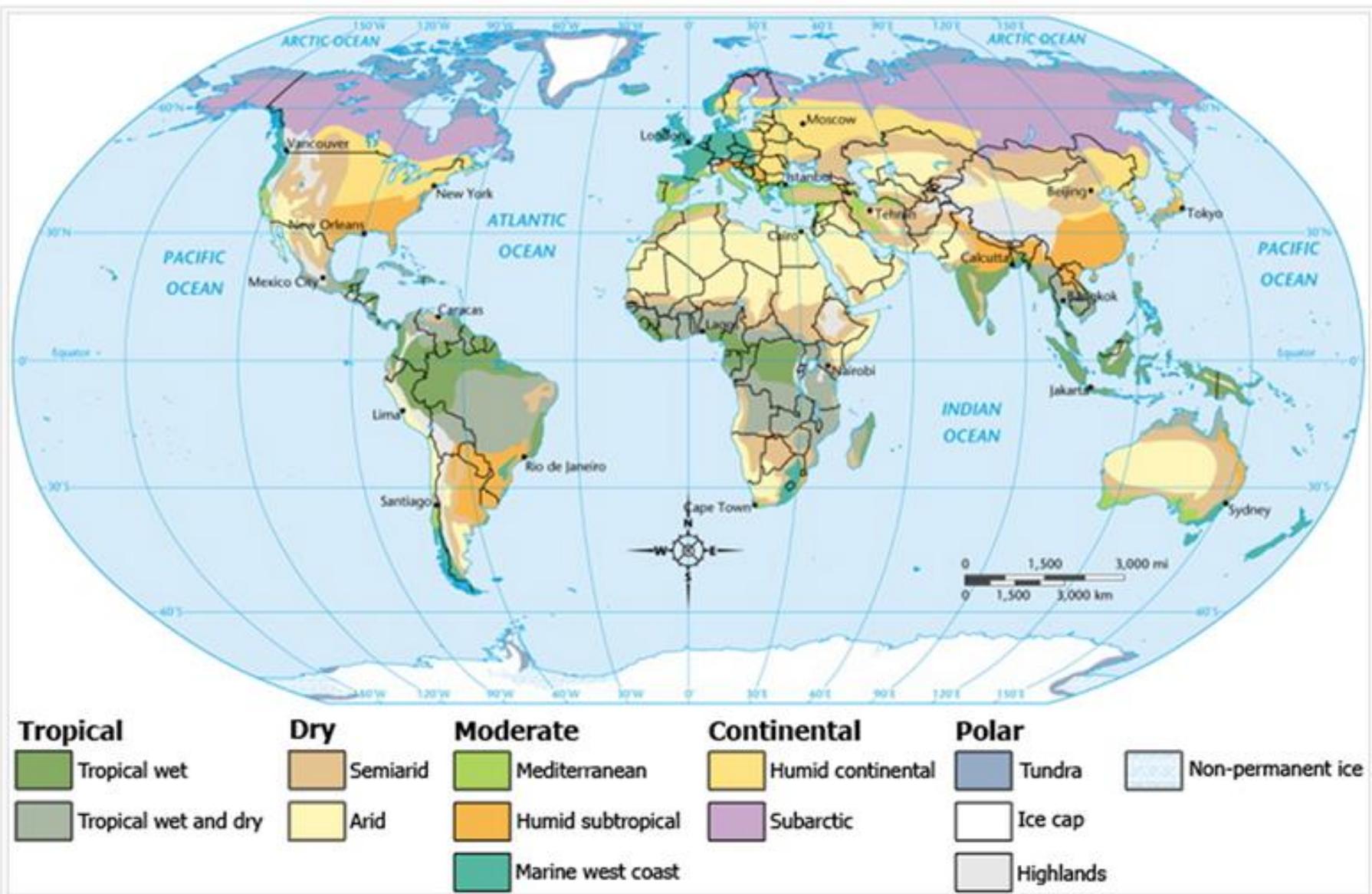
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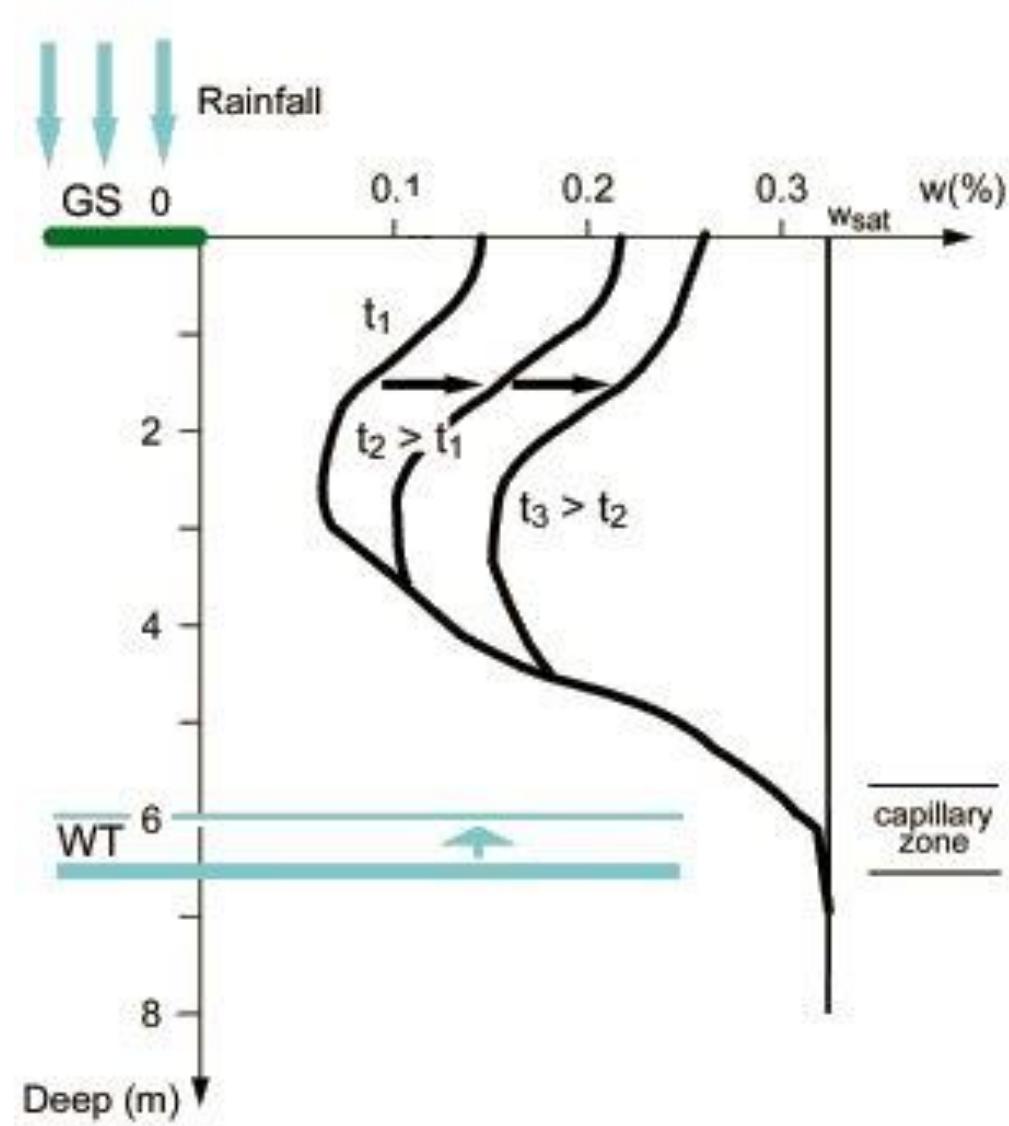
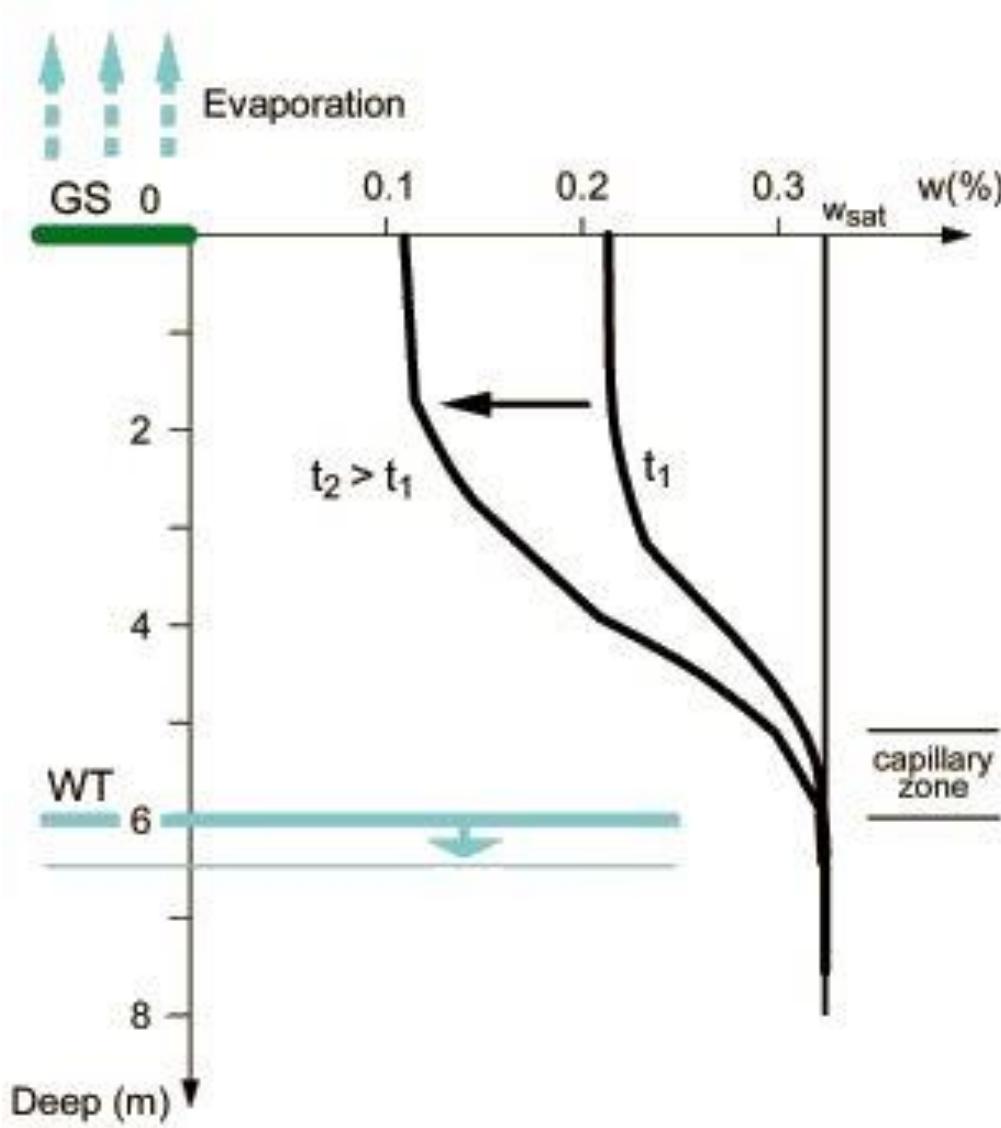
To simulate artificially by means of numerical analysis the unsaturated behaviour of excavations in residual soils, considering atmosphere-soil interaction



# METHODOLOGY







# REFERENCE CONSTITUTIVE MODEL

A hypoplastic model for mechanical response of unsaturated soils (Masín & Khalili, 2008)

$$\overset{\circ}{\mathbf{T}} = f_s(\mathcal{L} : \mathbf{D} + f_d \mathbf{N} \|\mathbf{D}\|) + \mathbf{H}$$

Saturated parameters of the model

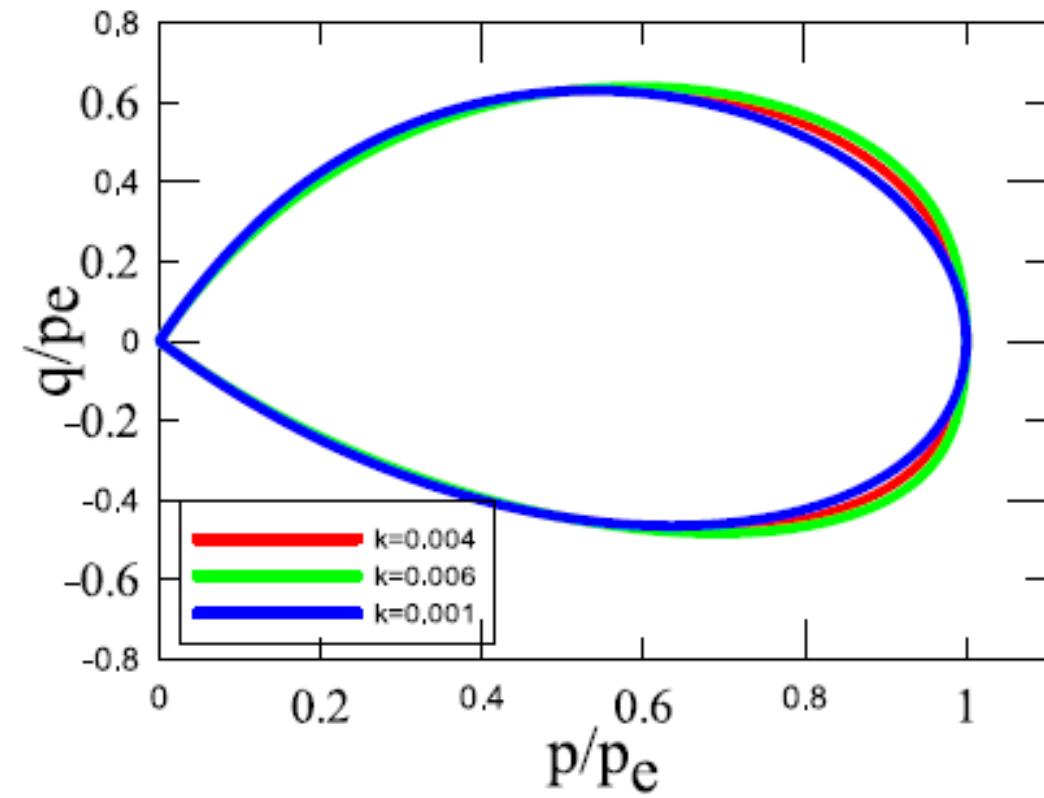
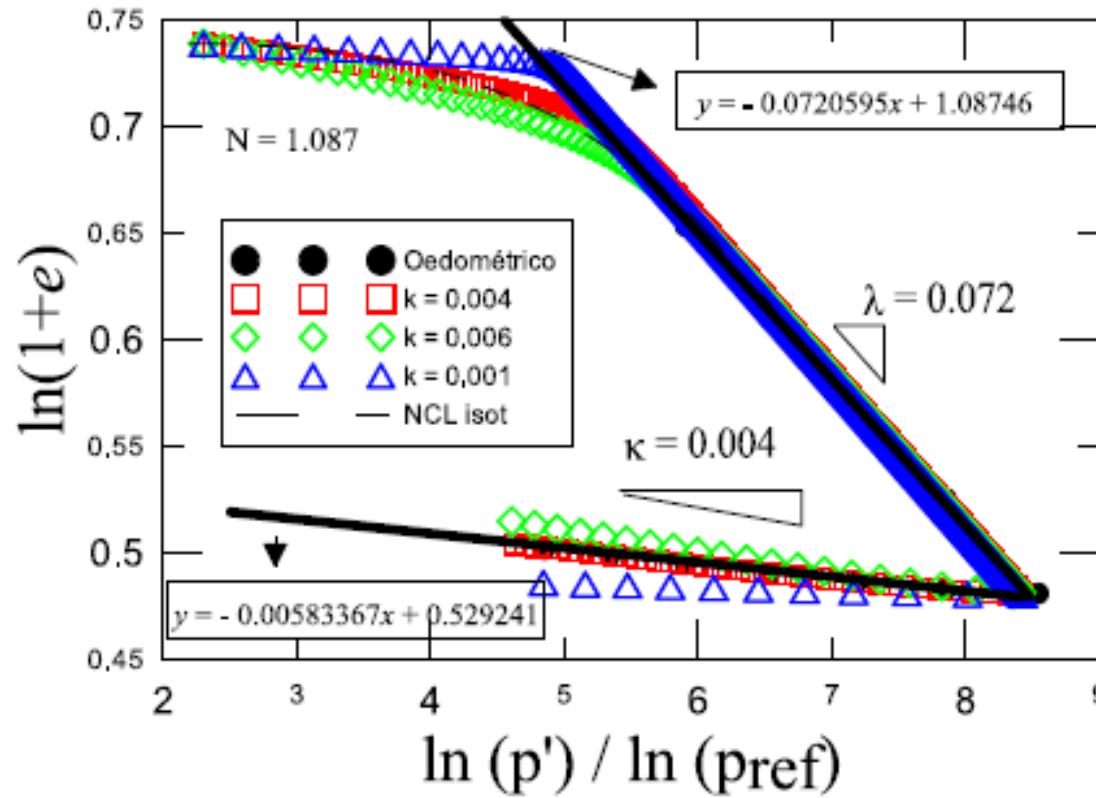
$\lambda^*$	$\kappa^*$	$N$	$\phi_c$	$r$
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Unsaturated parameters of the model

$m$	$l$	$n$	$S_e$
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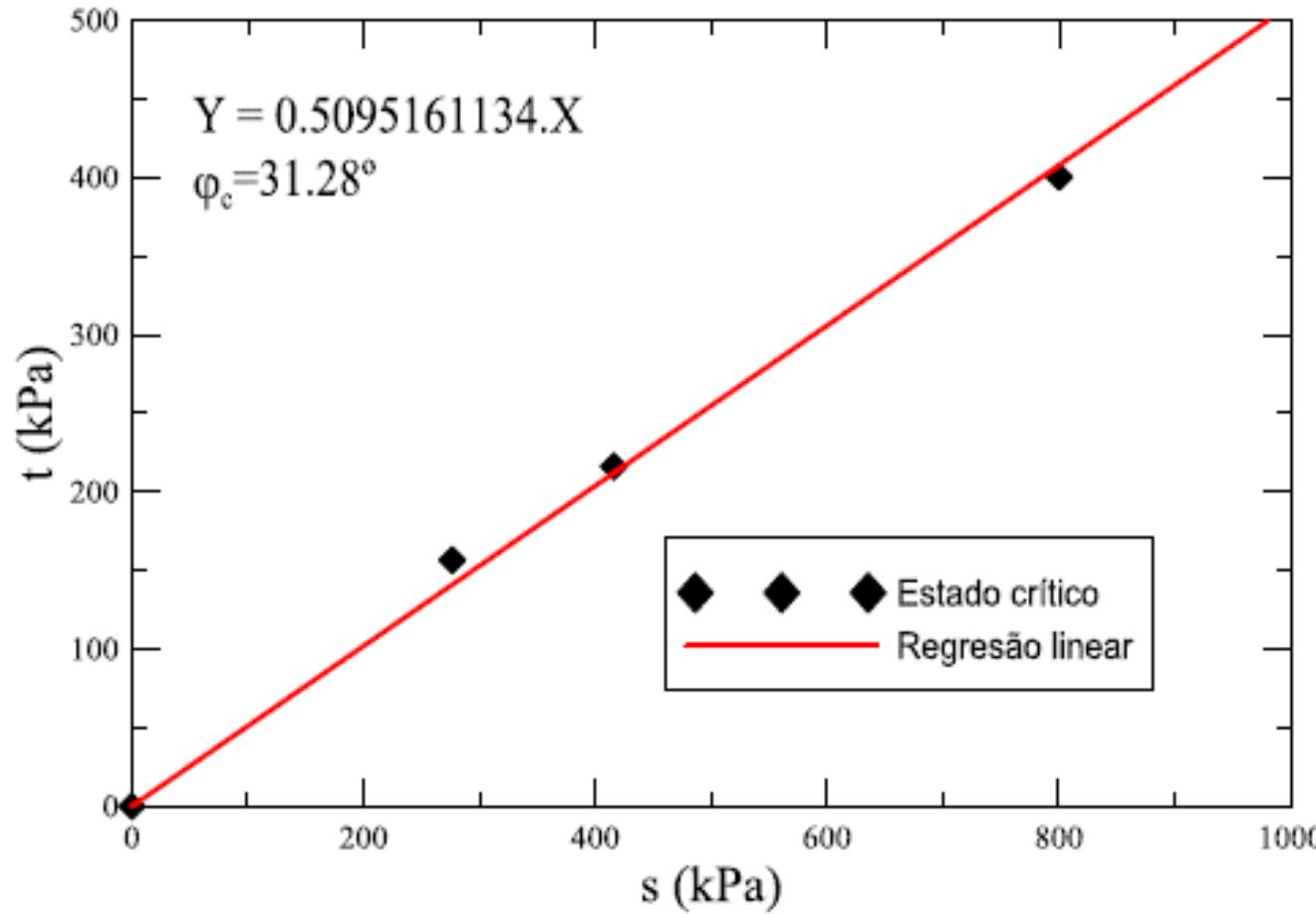
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## Calibration parameters



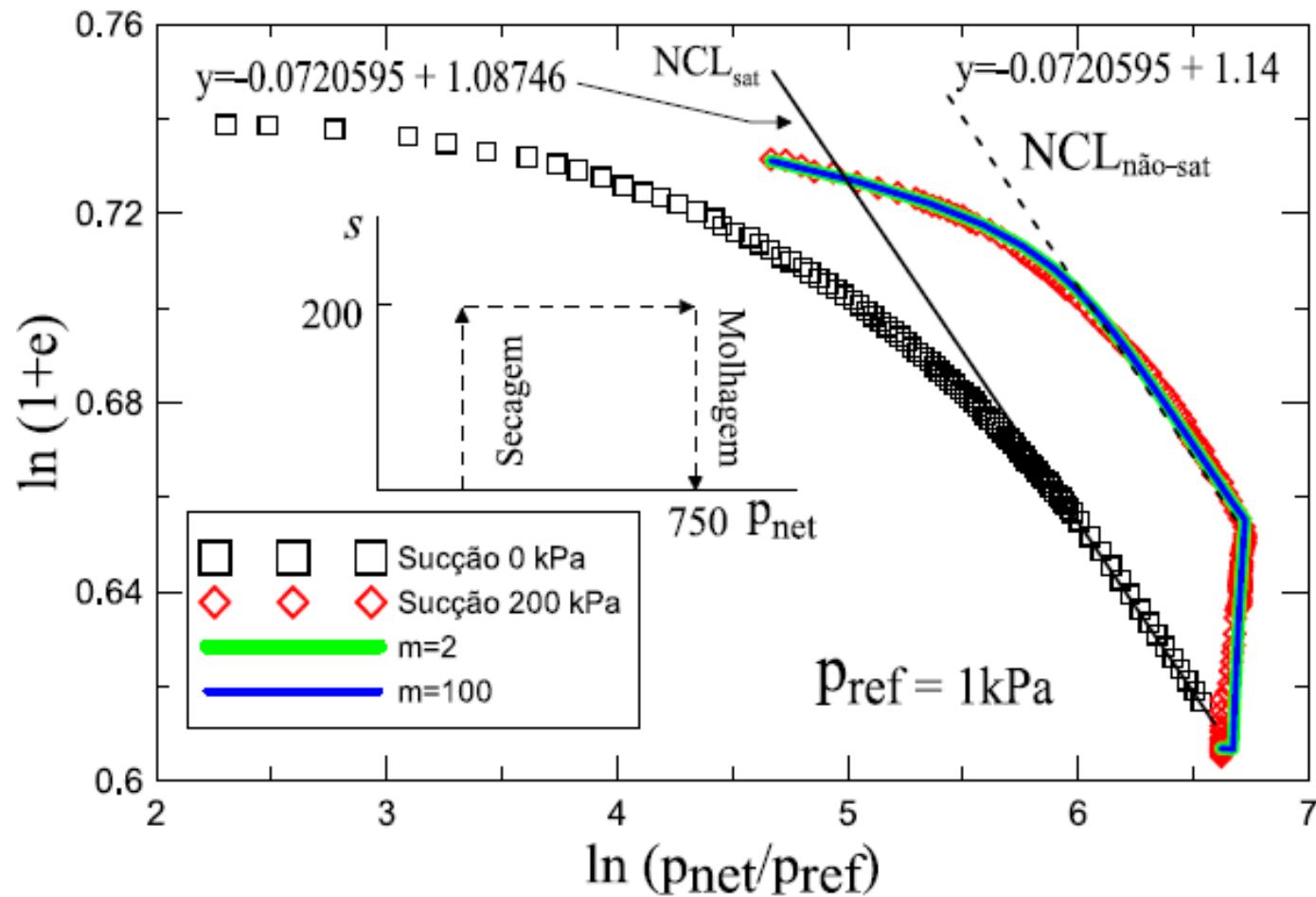
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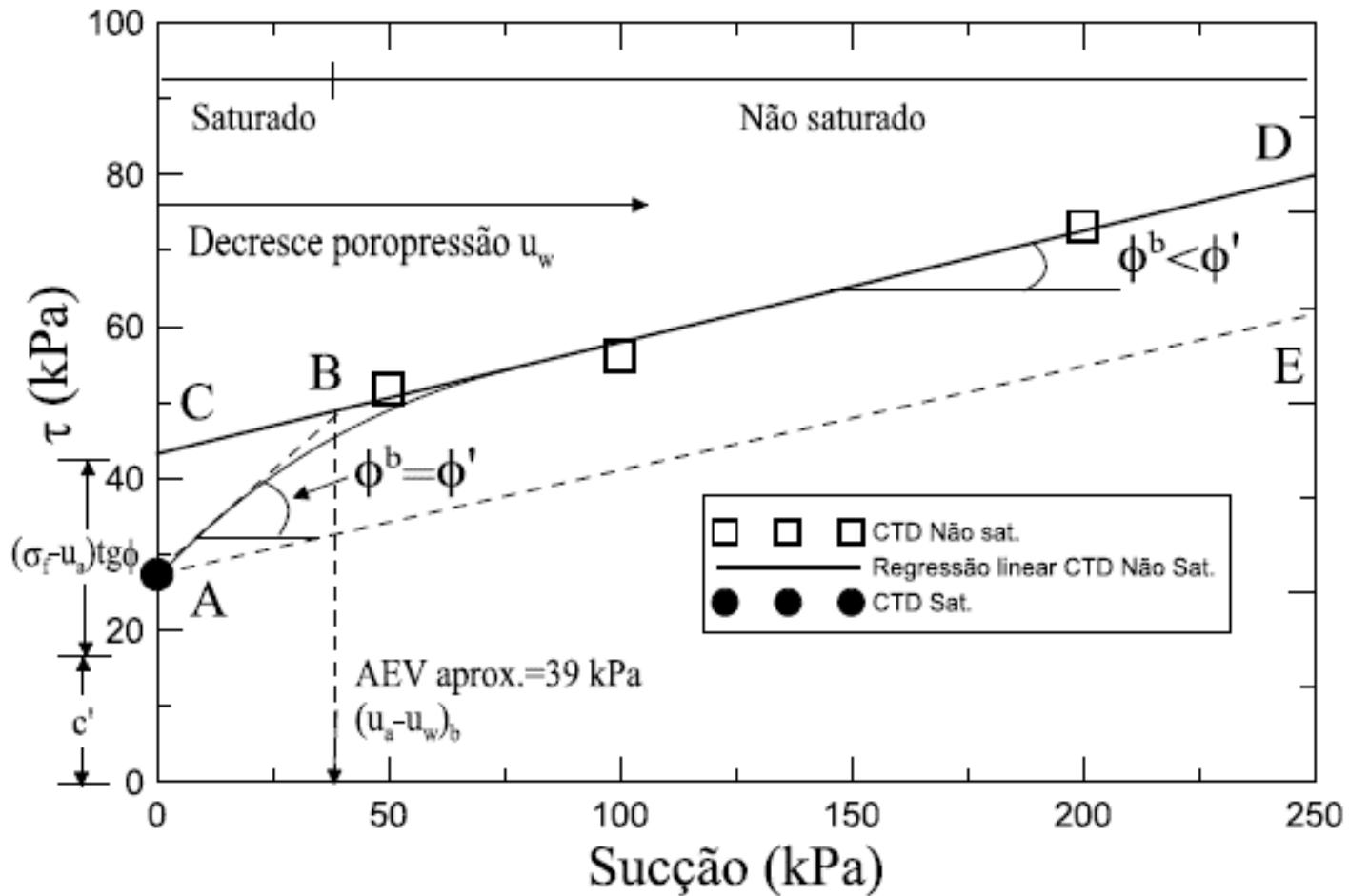
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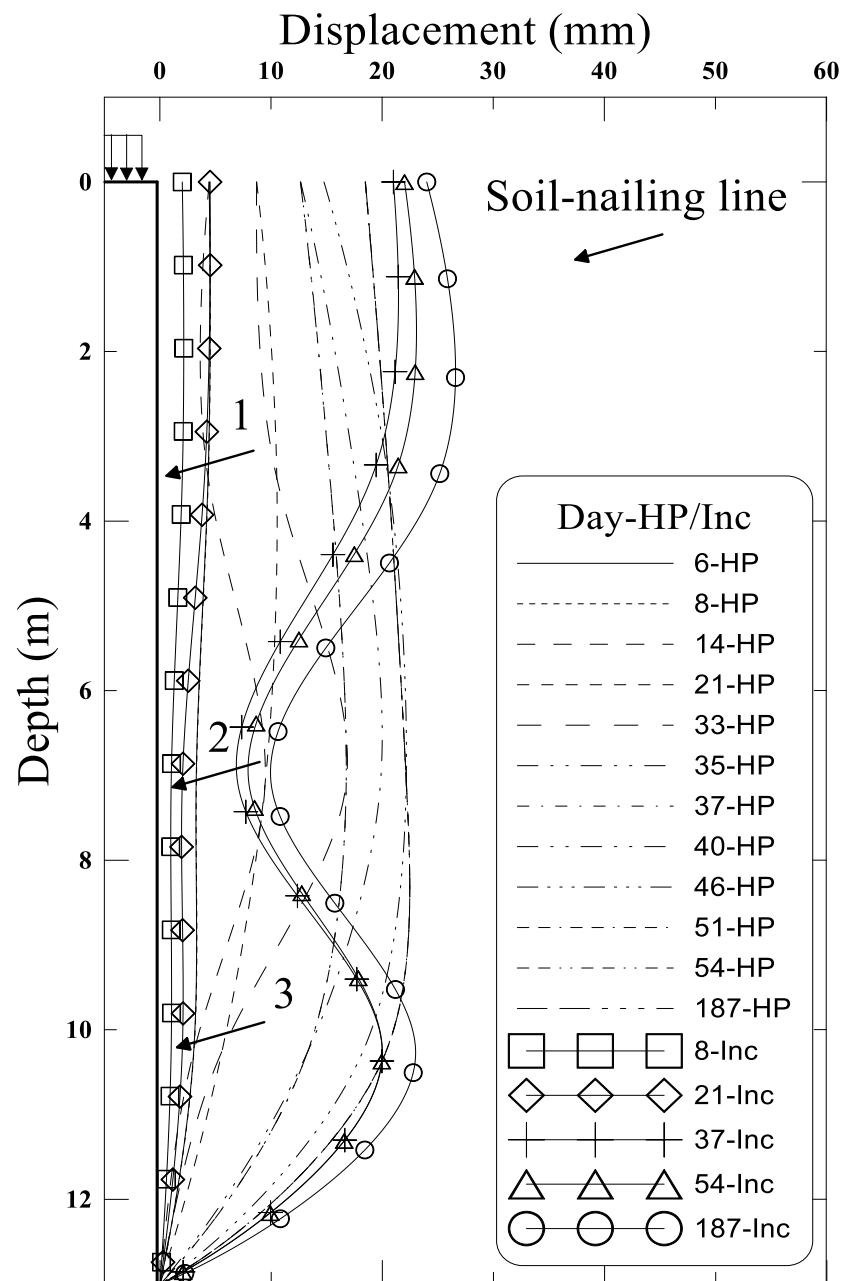
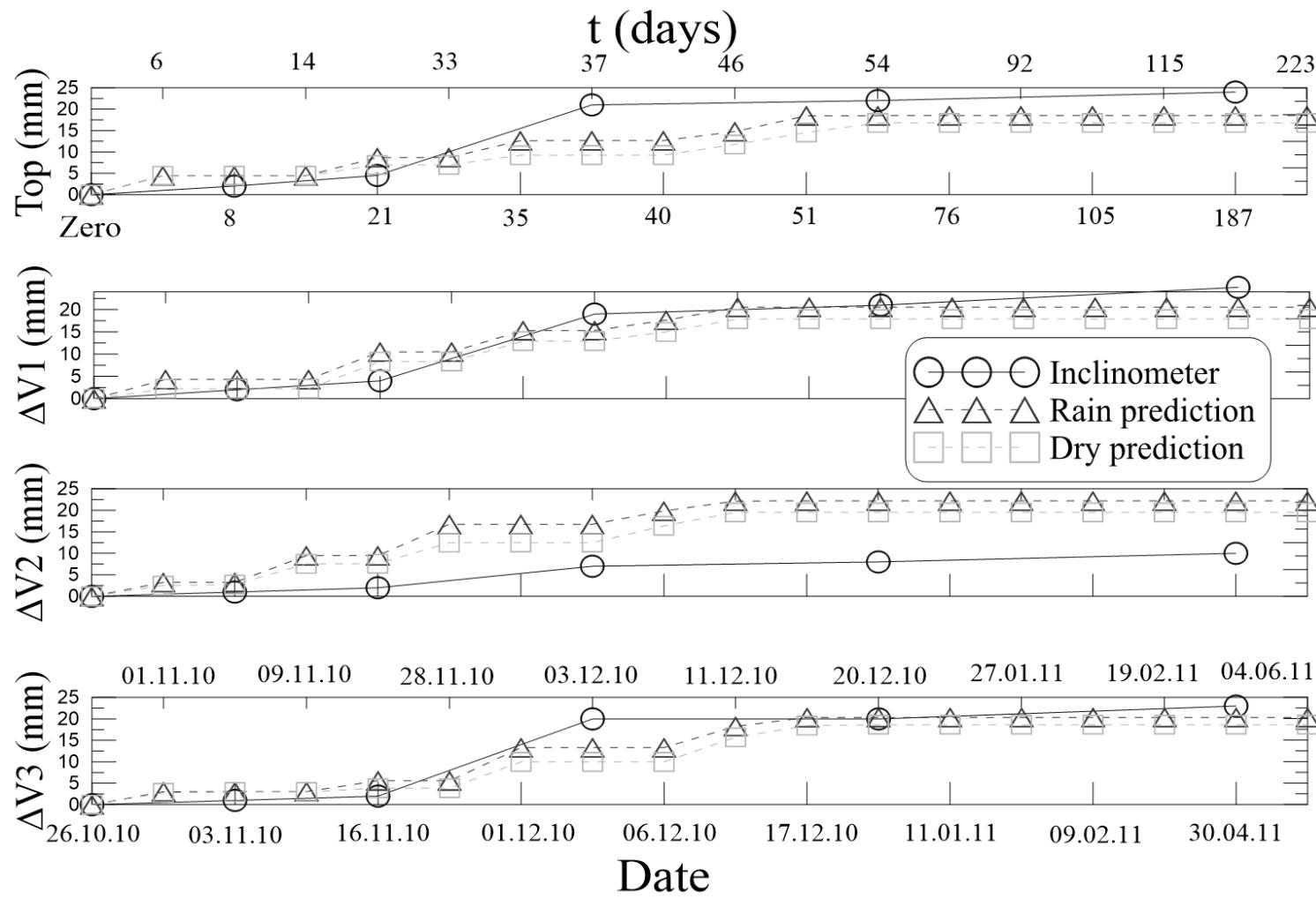


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# NUMERICAL SIMULATIONS



# CONCLUDING REMARKS

According to possible implications in design when is involved the suction, it is important to highlight that the contentions depend of the interaction environment-soil, i.e. the seasonality affects in the developing of the project. In the season dry, it is clear that exist an increasing in terms of strength in the soil, due to action of the suction in the profile, even when the excavation sequences enter in the rain season does not reach critical values, among factors, by the porous configuration and the evaporation of the environment.

# OUTLOOKS

m Parâmetro	Temporária (época seca)	Temporária (época seca + chuva)	Permanente	Comentários
Coesão efetiva	$15 - 20 \text{ kN/m}^2$	$10 - 15 \text{ kN/m}^2$	$2,5 - 5 \text{ kN/m}^2$	Valores baseados principalmente no FS influenciado pela ficha da contenção
Ângulo de atrito efetivo	$25 - 27^\circ$	$25 - 27^\circ$	$25 - 27^\circ$	—
Resistência não drenada	$50 - 75 \text{ kN/m}^2$	—	—	Resposta na interface solo-tirante tende a ser não drenada, e no solo-grampo, drenada
Cargas nos grampos três primeiras linhas	$75 - 100 \text{ kN}$	$100 - 150 \text{ kN}$	$150 - 200 \text{ kN}$	Projetados com Coesão drenada (grampo)
Cargas nas ancoragens duas ultimas linhas	$150 - 200 \text{ kN}$	$200 - 250 \text{ kN}$	$250 - 300 \text{ kN}$	Projetados com Resistência não drenada (tirante) <sup>a</sup>



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