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Nomenclature

Symbol	Definitions	Unit
m₁	Mass of the dried sample.....	(gm)
m₂	Apparent mass of the saturated sample weighed in liquid.....	(gm)
m₃	Mass of the saturated sample weighed in air.....	(gm)
ρ_t	Density of the solid	(gm/cm ³)
ρ_b	Bulk density of the sample.....	(gm/cm ³)
ρ_f	Density of the fluid for buoyancy.....	(gm/cm ³)
π_t	Apparent porosity.....	(%)
π_f	Closed porosity.....	(%)
π_a	Open porosity.....	(%)
d	Density of sample.....	(gm/cm ³)
m	Weight of the sample.....	(gm)
V	Volume.....	(cm ³)
T	Temperature.....	°C
t	Time.....	minute