

# Important Abstractions from Precipitation Formulas PDF



## Formulas Examples with Units

## List of 30 Important Abstractions from Precipitation Formulas

### 1) Infiltration Indices Formulas

#### 1.1) W-Index Formulas

##### 1.1.1) Duration of Rainfall Excess given W Index Formula

Formula

$$t_e = \frac{P - R - I_a}{W}$$

Example with Units

$$4\text{h} = \frac{118\text{cm} - 48\text{cm} - 6.0\text{cm}}{16.0\text{cm}}$$

Evaluate Formula

##### 1.1.2) Initial Losses given W-Index Formula

Formula

$$I_a = P - R - (W \cdot t_e)$$

Example with Units

$$6\text{cm} = 118\text{cm} - 48\text{cm} - (16.0\text{cm} \cdot 4\text{h})$$

Evaluate Formula

##### 1.1.3) Total Storm Precipitation when W Index Formula

Formula

$$P = (W \cdot t_e) + R + I_a$$

Example with Units

$$118\text{cm} = (16.0\text{cm} \cdot 4\text{h}) + 48\text{cm} + 6.0\text{cm}$$

Evaluate Formula

##### 1.1.4) Total Storm Runoff given W Index Formula

Formula

$$R = P - I_a - (W \cdot t_e)$$

Example with Units

$$48\text{cm} = 118\text{cm} - 6.0\text{cm} - (16.0\text{cm} \cdot 4\text{h})$$

Evaluate Formula

##### 1.1.5) W-Index Formula

Formula

$$W = \frac{P - R - I_a}{t_e}$$

Example with Units

$$16\text{cm} = \frac{118\text{cm} - 48\text{cm} - 6.0\text{cm}}{4\text{h}}$$

Evaluate Formula



## 1.2) $\Phi$ -Index Formulas

### 1.2.1) Duration of Rainfall Excess given Total Runoff Depth Formula

Formula

$$t_e = \frac{P - R_d}{\phi}$$

Example with Units

$$4.3011\text{h} = \frac{118\text{cm} - 117.88\text{cm}}{0.0279}$$

Evaluate Formula 

### 1.2.2) Duration of Rainfall from Rainfall Hyetograph Formula

Formula

$$D = N \cdot \Delta t$$

Example with Units

$$18\text{h} = 6 \cdot 3\text{h}$$

Evaluate Formula 

### 1.2.3) Phi Index for Practical Use Formula

Formula

$$\phi = \frac{I - R_{24\text{-h}}}{24}$$

Example with Units

$$0.0279 = \frac{0.8\text{cm/h} - 0.13\text{cm}}{24}$$

Evaluate Formula 

### 1.2.4) Phi Index given Total Runoff Depth Formula

Formula

$$\phi = \frac{P - R_d}{t_e}$$

Example with Units

$$0.03 = \frac{118\text{cm} - 117.88\text{cm}}{4\text{h}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

### 1.2.5) Precipitation given Total Runoff Depth for Practical Use Formula

Formula

$$P = R_d + (\phi \cdot t_e)$$

Example with Units

$$117.9916\text{cm} = 117.88\text{cm} + (0.0279 \cdot 4\text{h})$$

Evaluate Formula 

### 1.2.6) Pulses of Time Interval from Rainfall Hyetograph Formula

Formula

$$N = \frac{D}{\Delta t}$$

Example with Units

$$7 = \frac{21\text{h}}{3\text{h}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

### 1.2.7) Rainfall Intensity for Phi Index of Practical Use Formula

Formula

$$I = (\phi \cdot 24) + R_{24\text{-h}}$$

Example with Units

$$0.7996\text{cm/h} = (0.0279 \cdot 24) + 0.13\text{cm}$$

Evaluate Formula 

### 1.2.8) Runoff for Phi Index for Practical Use Formula

Formula

$$R_{24\text{-h}} = I - (\phi \cdot 24)$$

Example with Units

$$0.1304\text{cm} = 0.8\text{cm/h} - (0.0279 \cdot 24)$$

Evaluate Formula 



## 1.2.9) Runoff to Determine Phi Index for Practical Use Formula

Formula

$$R_{24-h} = \alpha \cdot I^{1.2}$$

Example with Units

$$38.2541 \text{ cm} = 0.5 \cdot 0.8 \text{ cm/h}^{1.2}$$

Evaluate Formula 

## 1.2.10) Time Interval of Rainfall Hyetograph Formula

Formula

$$\Delta t = \frac{D}{N}$$

Example with Units

$$3.5 \text{ h} = \frac{21 \text{ h}}{6}$$

Evaluate Formula 

## 1.2.11) Total Direct Runoff Depth Formula

Formula

$$R_d = P - (\varphi \cdot t_e)$$

Example with Units

$$117.8884 \text{ cm} = 118 \text{ cm} - (0.0279 \cdot 4 \text{ h})$$

Evaluate Formula 

## 2) Modelling Infiltration Capacity Formulas

### 2.1) Infiltration Capacity Equation Formulas

#### 2.1.1) Darcy's Hydraulic Conductivity given Infiltration Capacity Formula

Formula

$$k = f_p - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \cdot s \cdot \frac{t^{-1}}{2}$$

Example with Units

$$14.75 \text{ cm/h} = 16 \text{ cm/h} - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \cdot 10 \cdot \frac{2 \text{ h}^{-1}}{2}$$

Evaluate Formula 

#### 2.1.2) Darcy's Hydraulic Conductivity given Infiltration Capacity from Philip's Equation Formula

Formula

$$k = \frac{F_p - \left(s \cdot t^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)}{t}$$

Example with Units

$$2.9289 \text{ cm/h} = \frac{20 \text{ cm/h} - \left(10 \cdot 2 \text{ h}^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)}{2 \text{ h}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

#### 2.1.3) Equation for Infiltration Capacity Formula

Formula

$$f_p = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \cdot s \cdot t^{-\frac{1}{2}} + k$$

Example with Units

$$6.4655 \text{ cm/h} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \cdot 10 \cdot 2 \text{ h}^{-\frac{1}{2}} + 2.93 \text{ cm/h}$$

Evaluate Formula 

#### 2.1.4) Infiltration rate by Horton's equation Formula

Formula

$$f_p = f_c + (f_0 - f_c) \cdot \exp(- (K_d \cdot t))$$

Example with Units

$$19.4449 \text{ cm/h} = 15 \text{ cm/h} + (21.0 \text{ cm/h} - 15 \text{ cm/h}) \cdot \exp(- (0.15 \cdot 2 \text{ h}))$$

Evaluate Formula 



## 2.1.5) Kostiakov Equation Formula ↻

Formula

$$F_p = a \cdot t^b$$

Example with Units

$$20.0818 \text{ cm/h} = 3.55 \cdot 2^{\text{h}^{2.5}}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

## 2.1.6) Philip's Equation Formula ↻

Formula

$$F_p = s \cdot t^{\frac{1}{2}} + k \cdot t$$

Example with Units

$$20.0021 \text{ cm/h} = 10 \cdot 2^{\text{h}^{\frac{1}{2}}} + 2.93 \text{ cm/h} \cdot 2^{\text{h}}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

## 2.1.7) Sorptivity for Cumulative Infiltration Capacity is from Philip's Equation Formula ↻

Formula

$$s = \frac{F_p - k \cdot t}{t^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

Example with Units

$$9.9985 = \frac{20 \text{ cm/h} - 2.93 \text{ cm/h} \cdot 2^{\text{h}}}{2^{\text{h}^{\frac{1}{2}}}}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

## 2.1.8) Sorptivity given Infiltration Capacity Formula ↻

Formula

$$s = \frac{(f_p - k) \cdot 2}{t^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

Example with Units

$$36.9675 = \frac{(16 \text{ cm/h} - 2.93 \text{ cm/h}) \cdot 2}{2^{\text{h}^{\frac{1}{2}}}}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

## 2.1.9) Green-Ampt Equation (1911) Formulas ↻

### 2.1.9.1) Capillary Suction given Infiltration Capacity Formula ↻

Formula

$$S_c = \left( \frac{f_p}{K} - 1 \right) \cdot \frac{F_p}{\eta}$$

Example with Units

$$9.2308 = \left( \frac{16 \text{ cm/h}}{13 \text{ cm/h}} - 1 \right) \cdot \frac{20 \text{ cm/h}}{0.5}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

### 2.1.9.2) Cumulative Infiltration Capacity given Green-Ampt Parameters of Infiltration Model Formula ↻

Formula

$$F_p = \frac{n}{f_p - m}$$

Example with Units

$$20 \text{ cm/h} = \frac{40}{16 \text{ cm/h} - 14}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

### 2.1.9.3) Darcy's Hydraulic Conductivity given Infiltration Capacity from Green-Ampt Equation Formula ↻

Formula

$$K = \frac{f_p}{1 + \frac{\eta \cdot S_c}{F_p}}$$

Example with Units

$$13.913 \text{ cm/h} = \frac{16 \text{ cm/h}}{1 + \frac{0.5 \cdot 6}{20 \text{ cm/h}}}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻



## 2.1.9.4) Green Ampt Equation Formula

Formula

$$f_p = K \cdot \left( 1 + \frac{\eta \cdot S_c}{F_p} \right)$$

Example with Units

$$14.95 \text{ cm/h} = 13 \text{ cm/h} \cdot \left( 1 + \frac{0.5 \cdot 6}{20 \text{ cm/h}} \right)$$

Evaluate Formula 

## 2.1.9.5) Infiltration Capacity given Green-Ampt Parameters of Infiltration Model Formula

Formula

$$f_p = m + \frac{n}{F_p}$$

Example with Units

$$16 \text{ cm/h} = 14 + \frac{40}{20 \text{ cm/h}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

## 2.1.9.6) Porosity of Soil given Infiltration Capacity from Green-Ampt Equation Formula

Formula

$$\eta = \left( \frac{f_p}{K} - 1 \right) \cdot \frac{F_p}{S_c}$$

Example with Units

$$0.7692 = \left( \frac{16 \text{ cm/h}}{13 \text{ cm/h}} - 1 \right) \cdot \frac{20 \text{ cm/h}}{6}$$




Evaluate Formula 



## Variables used in list of Abstractions from Precipitation Formulas above

- **a** Local Parameter a
- **b** Local Parameter b
- **D** Duration (Hour)
- **f<sub>0</sub>** Initial Infiltration Capacity (Centimeter per Hour)
- **f<sub>c</sub>** Final Steady State Infiltration Capacity (Centimeter per Hour)
- **f<sub>p</sub>** Infiltration Capacity at Any Time t (Centimeter per Hour)
- **F<sub>p</sub>** Cumulative Infiltration Capacity (Centimeter per Hour)
- **I** Intensity of Rainfall (Centimeter per Hour)
- **I<sub>a</sub>** Depression and Interception Losses (Centimeter)
- **k** Hydraulic Conductivity (Centimeter per Hour)
- **K** Darcy's Hydraulic Conductivity (Centimeter per Hour)
- **K<sub>d</sub>** Decay Coefficient
- **m** Parameter 'm' of Infiltration Model by Green-Ampt
- **n** Parameter 'n' of Infiltration Model by Green-Ampt
- **N** Pulses of Time Interval
- **P** Total Storm Precipitation (Centimeter)
- **R** Total Storm Runoff (Centimeter)
- **R<sub>24-h</sub>** Runoff in Cm from 24h Rainfall (Centimeter)
- **R<sub>d</sub>** Total Direct Runoff (Centimeter)
- **s** Sorptivity
- **S<sub>c</sub>** Capillary Suction at Wetting Front
- **t** Time (Hour)
- **t<sub>e</sub>** Duration of Rainfall Excess (Hour)
- **W** W-Index (Centimeter)
- **α** Coefficient Depending on Soil Type
- **Δt** Time Interval (Hour)
- **η** Porosity

## Constants, Functions, Measurements used in list of Abstractions from Precipitation Formulas above

- **Functions:** **exp**, exp(Number)  
*n* an exponential function, the value of the function changes by a constant factor for every unit change in the independent variable.
- **Measurement:** **Length** in Centimeter (cm)  
Length Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Time** in Hour (h)  
Time Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Speed** in Centimeter per Hour (cm/h)  
Speed Unit Conversion 



- $\Phi$ -Index



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