

# **Sandbox Explanation**

(With added evaluations for the Civil/Geo Engineers' Sandboxes)

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## **REALLY BIG** (almost forever) **Pile**

With the Particular Wall™ Slanted at 11° for dfa = 30°

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### **Particular Wall Short Explanation**

#1 -- A stable "Particular Pile" -- made up of flowable, loose particulate -- at rest at its natural angle of repose.

#2 -- The same pile, with an added layer of particulate. The new layer has the same angle of repose.

#3 -- Same pile, with a "step". The particulate is seen through the "step" supports -- \_\_\_\_\_ -- at its angle of repose.

#### #4 -- New layer is stable at its angle of repose. The "step" is the patented Particular Valve™\*.

**Note:** The Right Upper Edge of the Particular Valve<sup>™</sup> \* precisely sets the point where the angle of repose of the first layer starts (●)

#5 -- The Particular Valve<sup>™\*</sup> is one unit of the patented Particular Wall<sup>™\*\*</sup>. The Particular

#### Wall<sup>™\*\*</sup> retains and controls all layers.

**NOTE:** The top Particular Valves<sup>TM \*</sup> -- when left open -- will "catch" and control any future additions (such as landslides).

#### #6 -- The Particular Wall<sup>™\*\*</sup> retains the particulate

#### (R), and the soil behind it.

#### Density of (R) = or > Density of SOIL

**NOTE:** Force is even along the wall height, minimizing rotation. Center of gravity (cg) is right of center, due to the weight of particulate.

#### #7 -- The Particular Valve™ Resultant Force Vector

#### (dotted arrow) must fall within the base.

**Note:** "Baffling" -- 11° for particulate with 30° angle of repose ("dfa") -- assures an infinitely high stable wall (with gravity).

#### "Infinite" Baffle Angle Tangent = ((1-SIN(RADIANS(dfa)))/ (1+SIN(RADIANS(dfa))))

#### (1/(TAN(RADIANS(dfa))))





Engineer (almost forever pile) Evaluations

### **Particular Wall™ Explanation / Evaluation**

- -- The Particular Wall™ is built from Particular Valves™\*.
- -- Each valve is an independent and force-relieving unit (refer to Tsagareli as prior -- but not complete -- art).
- -- The customary triangular effect of force applies to each unit only -- NOT THE ENTIRE WALL.
- -- Forces on a valve at the top of a Particular Wall<sup>™\*\*</sup> are identical to those on one at the bottom.
- -- This is because the noncohesive particulate is "stopped" at its angle of repose AT EACH LEVEL.
- -- If the Particular Valve Units are baffled parallel with the Resultant Vector Angle,

the Particular Wall<sup>™\*\*</sup> can be built to any height (with gravity) -- for an "infinite" retaining wall.

#### **Spreadsheet Force Values and Calculations**

- -- Only Rankine is used for evaluation of the Particular Valve<sup>™\*</sup>.
- -- Coulomb does not apply since there is no vertical surface of friction.
- -- The necessary structure surrounding the valve is not evaluated.
- -- The vertical surfaces of the necessary structure would be evaluated conventionally.
- -- The necessary structure would shift cg, increase Ka, and increase TOTAL VERTICAL FORCE.
- -- Surcharge is not evaluated

|                                     |         | variables      |         |                                                               |
|-------------------------------------|---------|----------------|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                     | Y       | = 120.00       | pcf     | Particulate Weight                                            |
|                                     | dfa     | = 30.00        | degrees | Particulate Angle of Repose or "dfa"                          |
|                                     | н       | = 1.50         | feet    | Height of particulate in <b>Particular Valve™</b> *           |
|                                     | W       | = 3.00         | feet    | Width of particulate in <b>Particular Valve™</b> *            |
|                                     | H/2     | = 0.75         | feet    |                                                               |
|                                     | H/3     | = 0.5          | feet    |                                                               |
| H/TAN(RADIANS(dfa)) =               | D       | = 2.60         | feet    | Depth of particulate in <b>Particular Valve™</b> *            |
| (1-SIN(RADIANS(dfa)))/(1+           | SIN(RAD | IANS(dfa))) =  |         |                                                               |
|                                     | Ka      | = 0.33         |         | Rankine Coefficient                                           |
| Ka ( $\mathbf{Y}$ ) (H) (W) =       | ра      | = 60.00        | psf     | Rankine Active pressure / foot                                |
| 1/2 Ka ( $f Y$ ) (H^2) (W)=         | Ра      | = 135.00       | #       | Total Earth Pressure Force (acting at H/3 from base of valve) |
| Pa =                                | Rh      | = 135.00       | #       | TOTAL HORIZONTAL FORCE                                        |
| ((H x W x D) / 2 ) x $\mathbf{Y}$ = | Rv      | = 701.48       | #       | TOTAL VERTICAL FORCE (particulate weight in <b>Valve™*)</b>   |
| Rh / Rv                             |         | = 0.19245      | radians | Resultant Vector Angle Tangent                                |
| (DEG(ATAN(0.19245))                 |         | <u>=</u> 10.89 | degrees | Resultant Vector Angle                                        |
| SQRT(D2 + Pa^2)                     |         | = 135.02       | #       | Resultant Vector Force                                        |
| Rounding UP                         |         | <u> </u>       | degrees | Baffle for "Infinite" Particular Wall™**                      |
| D / SQRT (2) =                      | cg      | = 1.84         | feet    | From front of particulate in <b>Particular Valve™</b> *       |

Simplified Baffle for "Infinite" Particular Wall™ inserted in Excel® (result is 10.69° <sup>2</sup>/<sub>−</sub> 11°) DEGREES(ATAN((1-SIN(RADIANS("dfa"))))/(1+SIN(RADIANS("dfa")))))/(1/(TAN(RADIANS("dfa")))))

### Particular Wall<sup>™</sup> vs. Traditional Evaluation



