

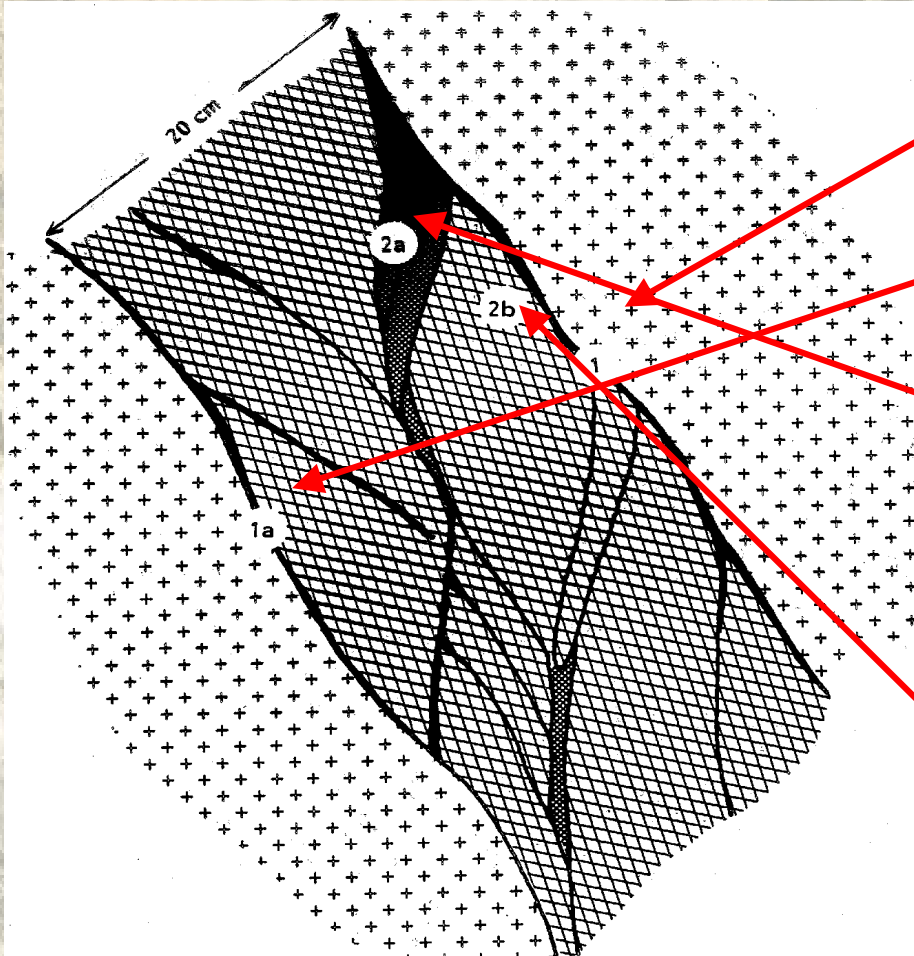
# Formation of Clay Minerals

## *Clay Mineral Neoformation and Transformation in Fault Zones*

FROM AEG SHORT COURSE "Tunnels Through Fault Rocks and Tectonic Melanges: A Short Course for Engineering Geologists and Geotechnical Engineers", Oakland, California; June 1, 2002; Instructors: Prof. Gunter Riedmueller and Prof. Wulf Schubert, Technical University of Graz, Austria and Gruppe Geotechnik Graz

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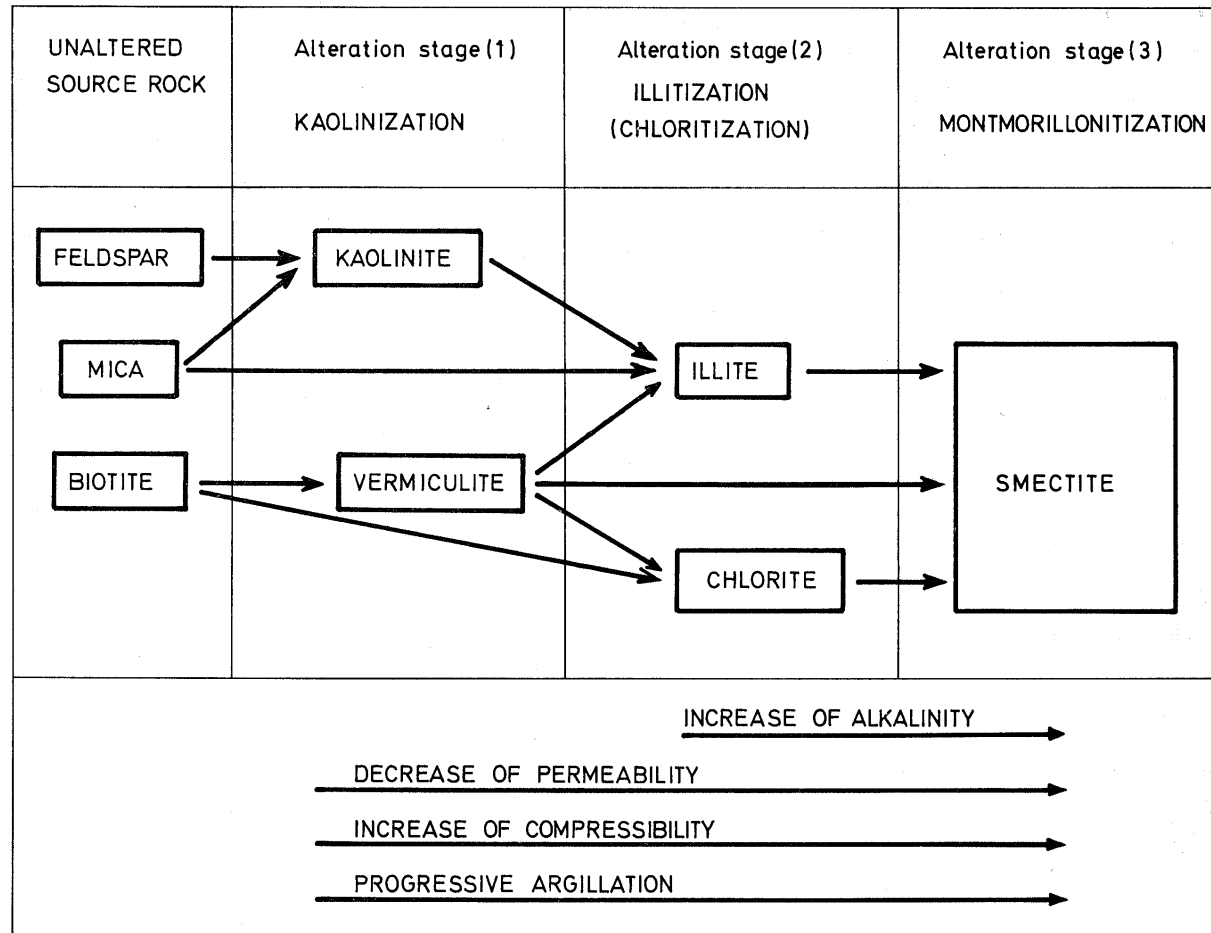
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Sample 1:	Smectite 92% Illite 8%
Sample 1a:	Smectite 87% Illite 13%
Sample 2a:	Smectite 77% Mixed Layer 3% Kaolinite 17% Illite 3%
Sample 2b:	Sample 40% Kaolinite 50% Illite 10%

Fault Zone in Gneiss („Zentralgneis“)  
HPP MALTA – Göß Tunnel, Km 4,615

# Formation of Clay Minerals

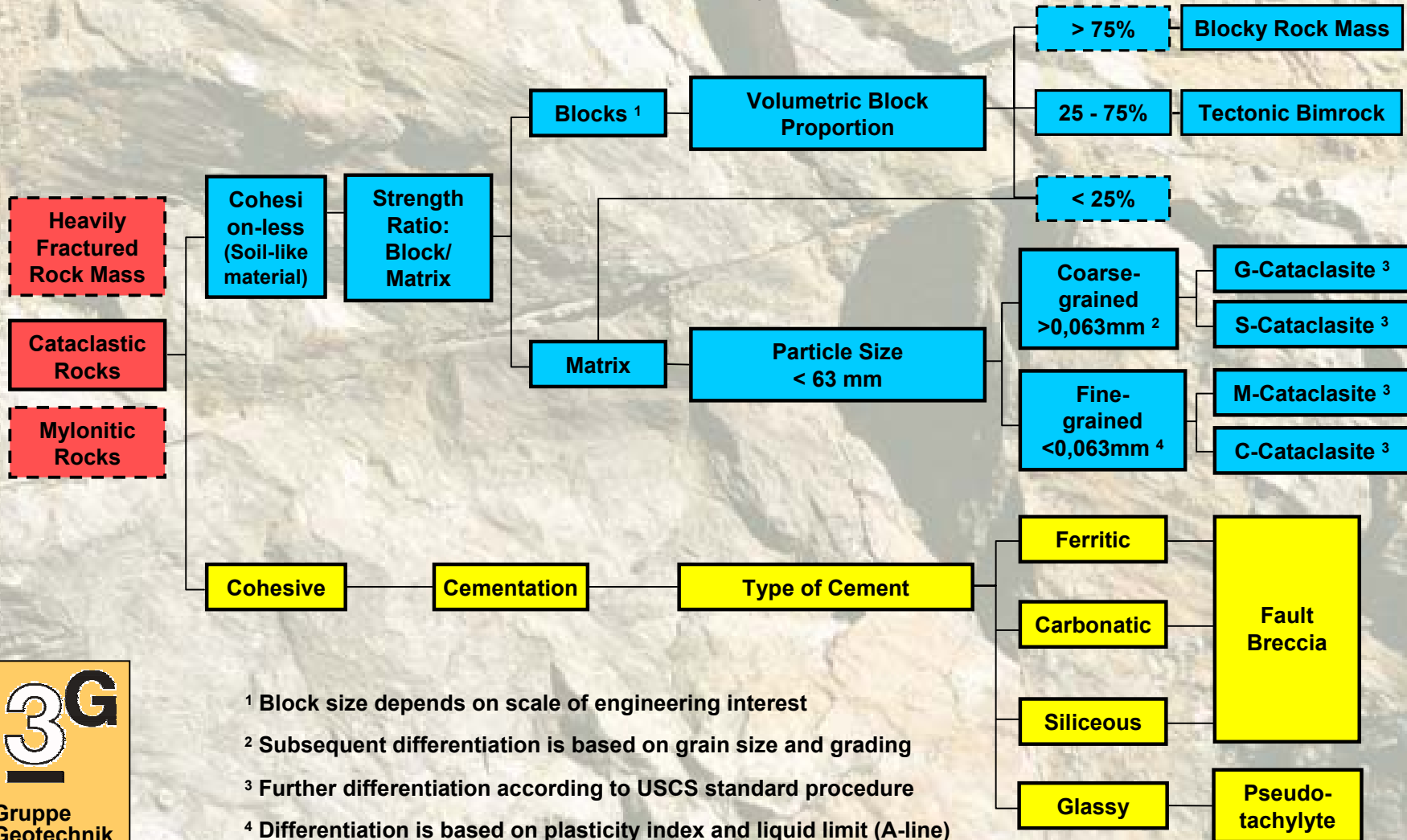


Systematic Transformations of Clay Minerals in Fault Zones  
(G. Riedmüller 1976)

# Classification

## Engineering Geological Classification of Fault Rocks

(Riedmüller et al., Felsbau 19 (2001) No. 4)



1 Block size depends on scale of engineering interest

2 Subsequent differentiation is based on grain size and grading

3 Further differentiation according to USCS standard procedure

4 Differentiation is based on plasticity index and liquid limit (A-line)



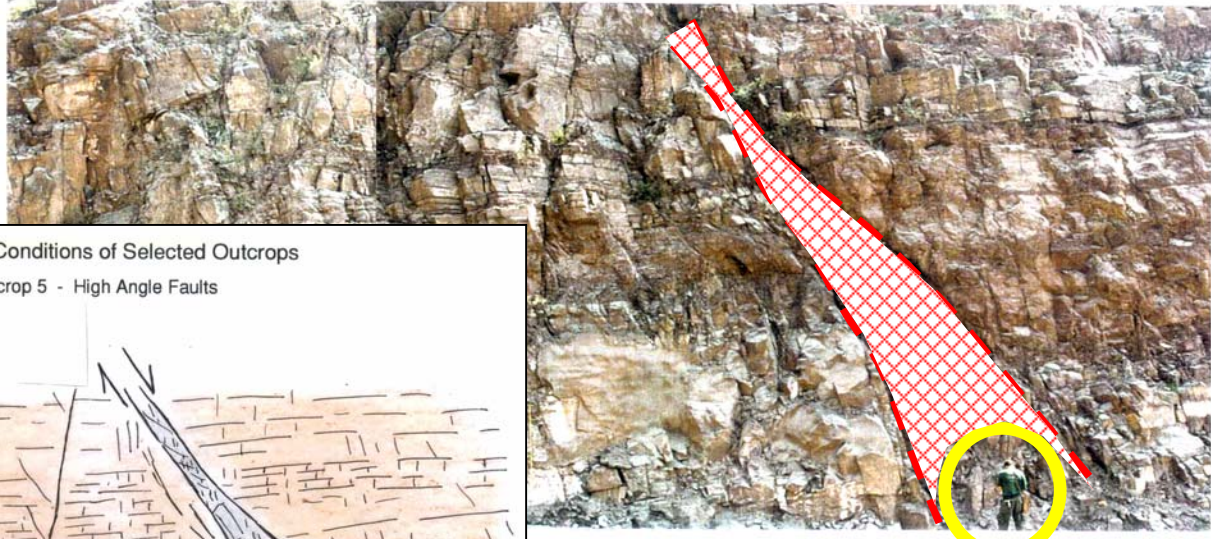
# General Procedure

- **Desk Studies**
  - Satellite Images, Aerial Photographs, Maps etc.
- **Geological Field Survey**
  - Morphological Features
  - Outcrop Studies
    - Rock Mass Characterization
    - Paleostress Analysis
- **Subsurface Investigation**
  - Trenches, Trial Pits
  - Core Drilling
  - Borehole in-situ tests
  - Geophysical Survey
- **Laboratory Analyses**
  - Mineralogical Analyses
  - Mechanical Analyses

# Outcrop Studies

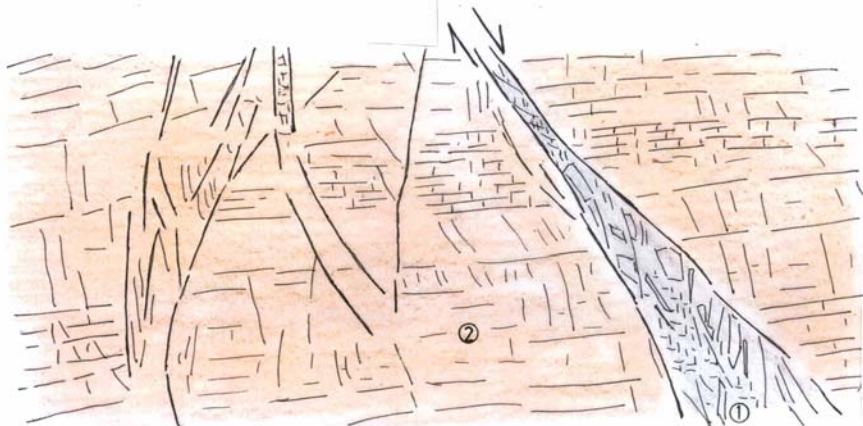
## Photographic Substantiation of Selected Outcrops

Outcrop 5 - High Angle Faults



## Geological Conditions of Selected Outcrops

Outcrop 5 - High Angle Faults



- ① FAULT ZONE WITH FAULT BRECCIA AND GOUGE
- ② PARENT ROCK HEAVILY FRACTURED

# Outcrop Studies

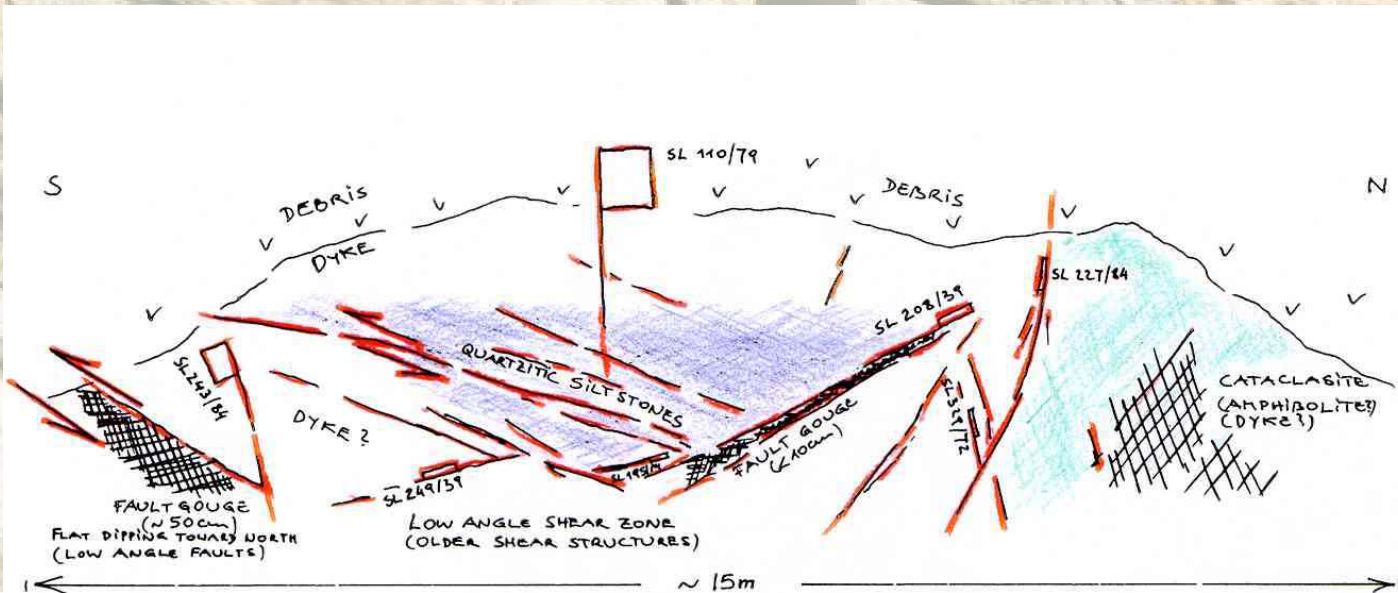
## *Paleostress Analysis*

- **Fault Slip Data**
  - P/T Method
  - Method of Right Dihedra
  
- **Extension Joints**
  - Plumose Structure

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# Outcrop Studies

## Thrust Displaced by Strike – Slip Faults



Low angle faults (SL 293/34, 290/42, 302/37, 331/42, 208/39, 249/39) displaced by conjugated faults (SL 227/84, 329/72, 91/87, 243/84, 226/86)

## *Objective of Investigation*

### **OWNER'S INTEREST:**

- **Construction schedule**
- **Construction costs**
  
- **Definition of uncertainties**
- **Geotechnical risk assessment**
- **Identification of environmental problems**

# Strategies

## Common understanding

High standards and quality for a site investigation lead to an economical and technical successful construction

# Strategies

## Quality

**QUALITY** is a relative attribute and depends upon the specific circumstance. In the sense of a technical sound and economic investigation quality is determined to be either adequate or inadequate.

What is an acceptable quality investigation in one situation can be an inadequate and unacceptable investigation in another.

# Strategies

**Design  
Requirements**

**Project Phases**

**Quality Data  
Quality Analyses  
Quality Investigation**

**Complexity of  
Rock Mass**

**Complexity of  
Geology**

# Strategies

*Quality Data Collection*  
*Quality Data Analysis*

- geotechnically relevant
- statistically representative
- legally defensible

# Strategies

*Quality Data Collection  
(with adequate quality control and quality  
assessment)*

- Office Data Collection
- Field Survey
- Subsurface Exploration
- In Situ Testing
- Laboratory Testing

# Strategies

*Quality Data Analysis  
(with adequate quality control and quality  
assessment)*

- Statistical Evaluation
- Assessment of Probabilistic Confidence
- Geologic Modelling
- Kinematic Modelling
- Mechanical Modelling

# Strategies

## *Quality Site Investigation*

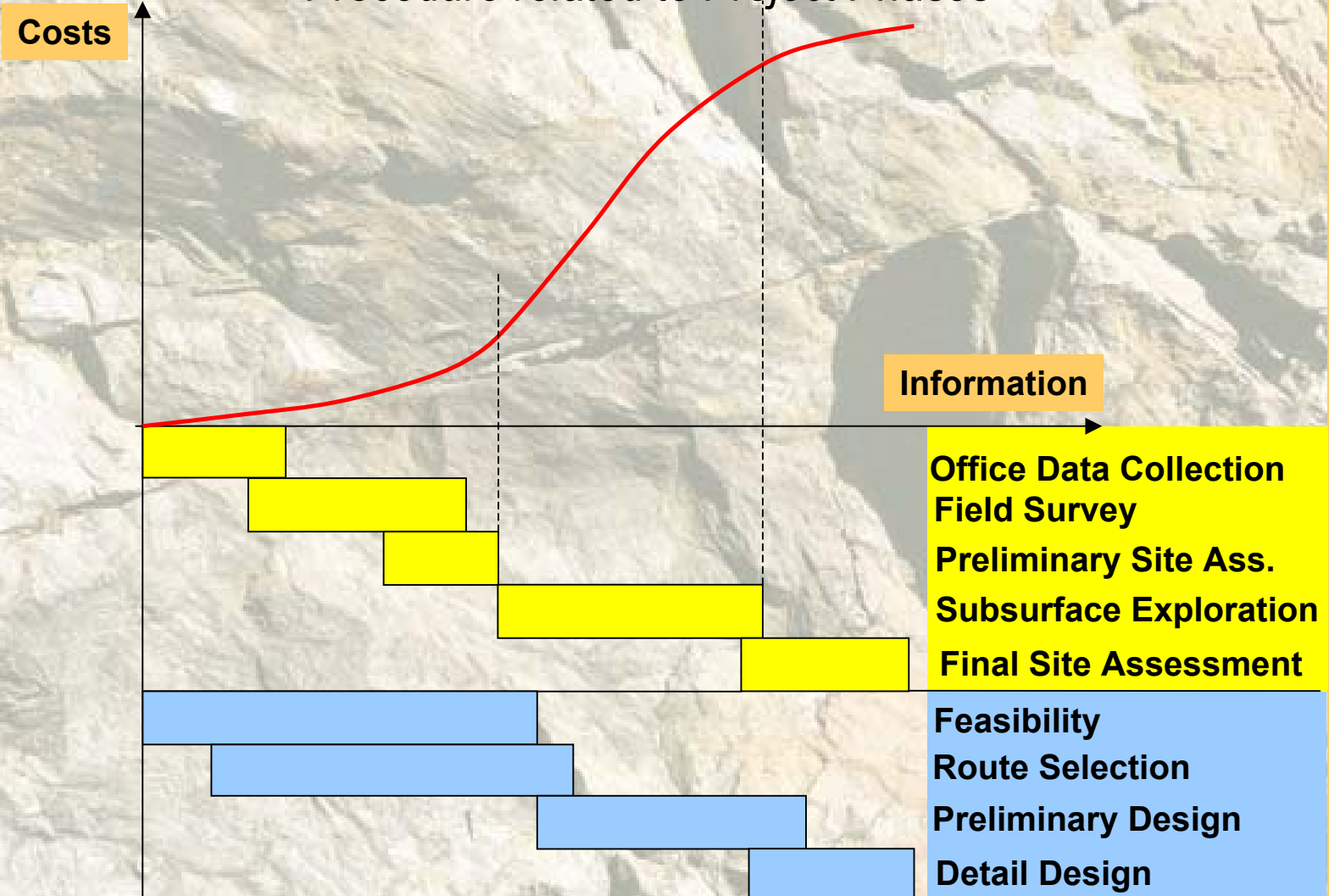
**A QUALITY INVESTIGATION needs more than just QUALITY DATA and QUALITY ANALYSES.**

It requires:

- 1. Specific sequence of investigative procedures**
- 2. Design phase and rock mass specific investigations**
- 3. Input from experienced professionals**

# Strategies

*Cost - Benefit Relation of Investigation  
Procedure related to Project Phases*



# Strategies

## *Project Phases - Geotechnical Objectives*

Pre-Feasibility Feasibility	Conceptual Design Route Selection	Preliminary Design	Detail Design Tender	Final Design Construction
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Corridor Assessment</li><li>■</li><li>Comparison of Routes</li><li>■</li><li>First Cost Estimate</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Basic Assessment of Rock Mass Behaviour, Support Systems and Construction Methods</li><li>■</li><li>Assessment of Routes</li><li>■</li><li>Cost Estimate</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Assessment of Rock Mass Behaviour, Support Systems and Construction Methods</li><li>■</li><li>Environmental Impact Assessment</li><li>■</li><li>Cost Estimate</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Detail Construction Design</li><li>■</li><li>Bill of Quantities</li><li>■</li><li>Contractual Set-Up</li><li>■</li><li>Final Cost Estimate</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Final Determination of Support and Construction Methods</li><li>■</li><li>Update of Construction Schedule and Costs</li></ul>

# Strategies

*Analytical Procedure in Each Design Phase*

**Assessment of Geological Models**

**Rock Mass Characterisation  
Rock Mass Types**

**Stresses, Groundwater, Orientation  
Size & Shape of Tunnel**

**Mechanical Modelling  
Rock Mass Behaviour**

**Geotechnical Design Assumptions**

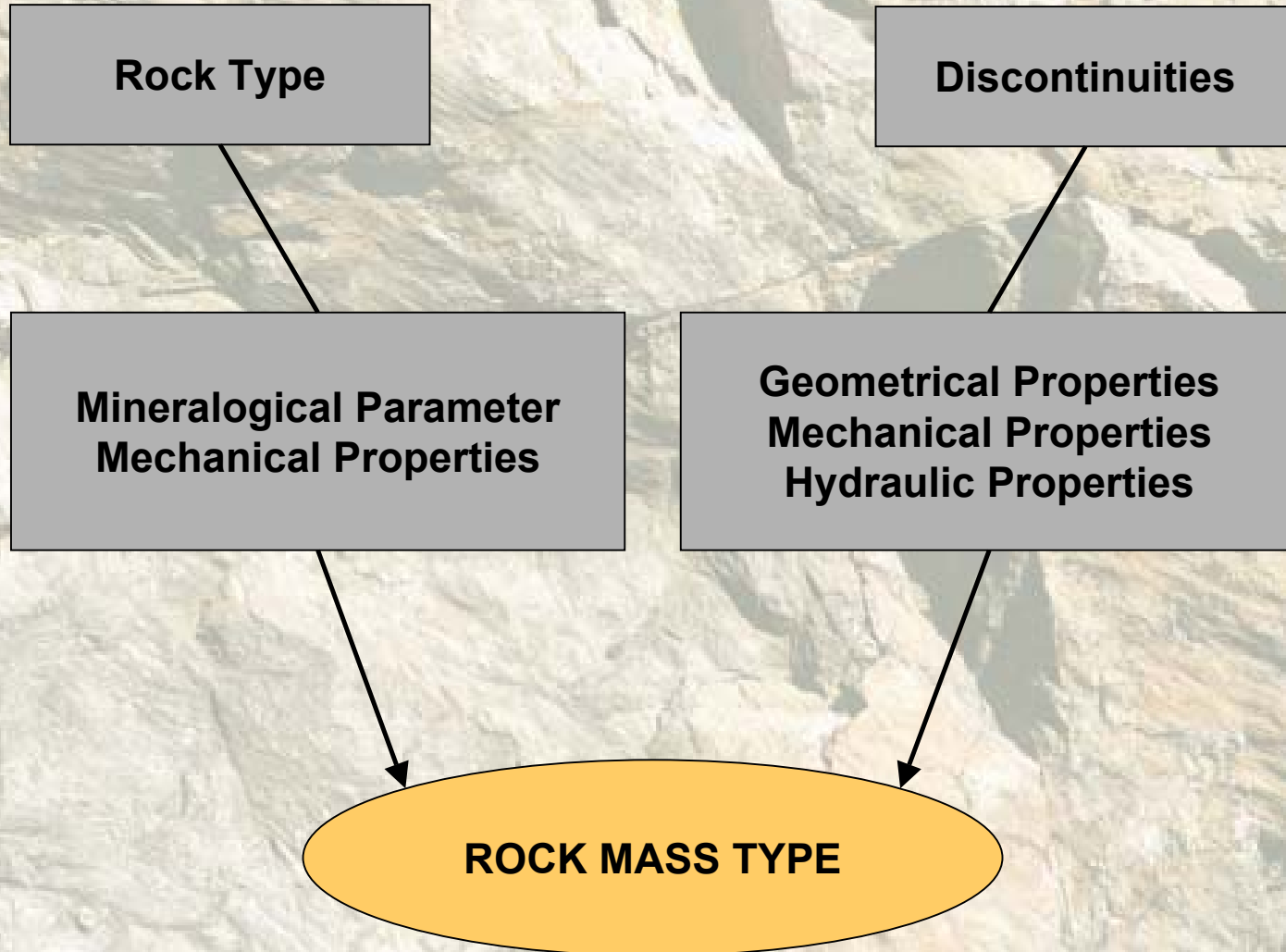
# Strategies

## *Assessment of Geological Models*

Conceptual **Geological Models** include three-dimensional interpretations of the distribution and orientation of structures and rock types. The models are presented as geological maps, vertical and horizontal sections and, most recently, as 3D-models

# Strategies

*Rock Mass Characterisation*  
*Rock Mass Types*



# Strategies

## *Definition of Rock Mass Types*

Rock Mass Types are defined by

“KEY PARAMETERS“

# Strategies

## *Key Parameters*

Key Parameters depend on

- Rock Type
- Project Phase
- Design Requirements

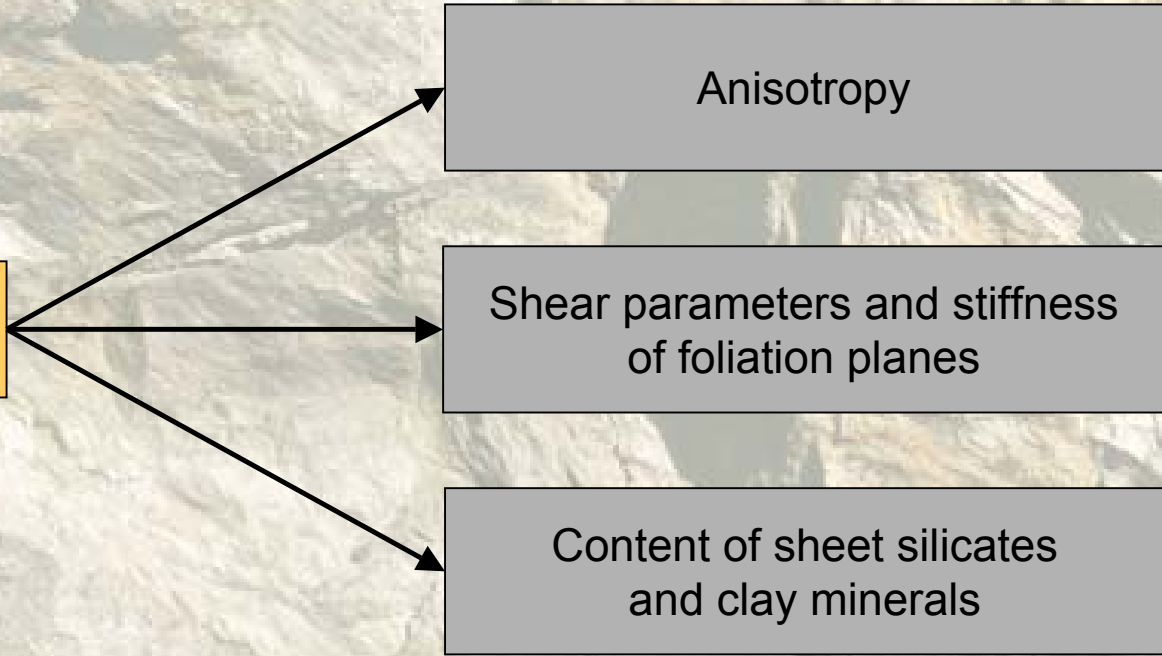
# Strategies

Rock Type



Key Parameters

Phyllite



Anisotropy

Shear parameters and stiffness  
of foliation planes

Content of sheet silicates  
and clay minerals

# Strategies

Rock Type



Key Parameters

Granite

Grain size

Texture

UCS

Joint sets (orientation, number)

Persistence, spacing

# Strategies

Basic Rock Types	Key Parameters																				
	Intact Rock Properties														Discontinuities						
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Volcanic Rocks				0	X	X						X	X		X	X		0	X	0	
Plutonic Rocks		X	X	X		0						X			X	X		0	X	0	
Fine-Grained Clastic Rocks (massive)			X				X	X	X		X	0			0	0					
Fine-Grained Clastic Rocks (bedded)	X		X				X	X	X		X			X			X			0	X
Coarse-Grained Clastic Rocks (massive)		0	X	0	0			0			X	X	X		0	0		0	0		
Coarse-Grained Clastic Rocks (bedded)	X	0	X		0		0				X	X	X	X			X				X
Carbon. Rocks		X								X	X				X	X		0	X	0	
Sulfatic Rocks		X							X	X	0										
Metam. Rocks (massive)		X	X	X		0					X				X	X		0	X		
Metam. Rocks (foliated)	X	X	X	X		0					X		X							X	X
Brittle Fault Rocks		0				0	X	X	X		X	X	X								

## LEGEND

- X** Significant Parameter
- 0** Less Important Parameter

- (1) Anisotropy
- (2) Mineral Composition
- (3) Grain Size
- (4) Texture
- (5) Porosity
- (6) Secondary Alteration
- (7) Clay Mineral Composition
- (8) Clay Content
- (9) Swelling Properties
- (10) Solution Phenomena
- (11) Cementation
- (12) Strength Properties
- (13) Ratio Matrix/Components
- (14) Orientation of Dominant Set
- (15) No. and Orientation of Sets
- (16) Fracture Frequency
- (17) Roughness
- (18) Persistence
- (19) Aperture
- (20) Infilling
- (21) Shear Strength

# Faulted Rock Mass

## ➤ **Block / Matrix Ratio**

## ➤ **Matrix Properties**

- Particle Size Distribution
- Clay Mineral Composition
- Swelling Properties
- Shear Strength

## ➤ **Block Properties**

- Lithology
- Size
- Shape
- Strength

## ➤ **Discontinuities**

- Type (shear, extension fractures etc.)
- Orientation
- Fracture Degree
- Relative Movements on Slickensides

## Key Parameters

# AUSTRIAN GUIDELINE FOR THE GEOTECHNICAL DESIGN OF UNDERGROUND OPENINGS

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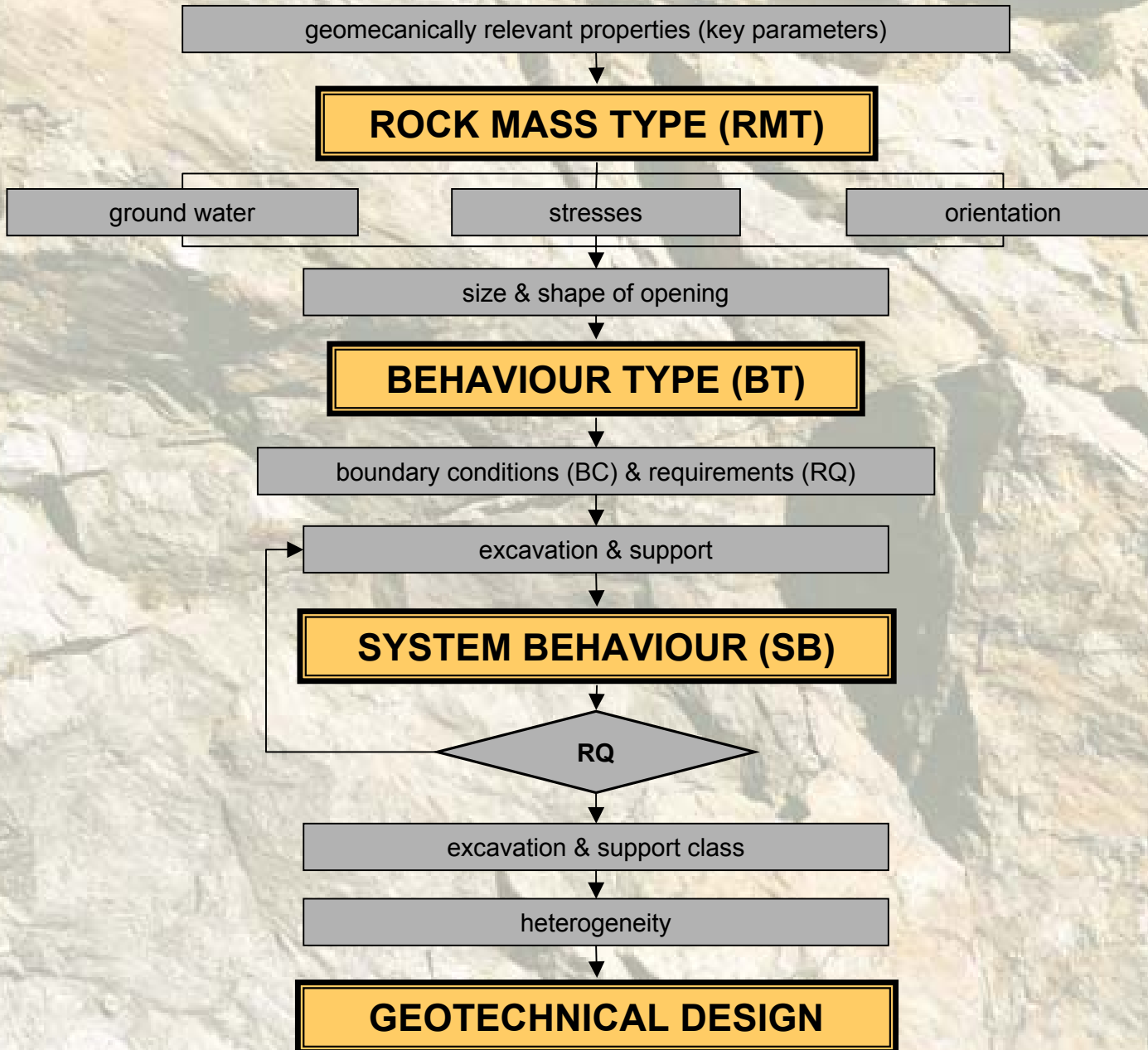
Guideline

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# OBJECTIVE

- Transparent, consistent procedure for the design and construction of tunnels
- Design phases, rock mass types and influencing factors have to be considered
- Decisions during construction have to be based on objective and systematic collection, evaluation and interpretation of quality data



# KEY PARAMETERS

Basic Rock Types	Key Parameters																				
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Plutonic Rocks		x	x	x		o						x			x	x		o	x	o	
Fine-Grained Clastic Rocks (massive)			x				x	x	x		x	o			o	o					
Fine-Grained Clastic Rocks (bedded)	x		x				x	x	x		x			x			x			o	x
Coarse-Grained Clastic Rocks (massive)		o	x	o	o			o			x	x	x		o	o		o	o		
Coarse-Grained Clastic Rocks (bedded)	x	o	x		o		o				x	x	x	x			x				x
Carbon. Rocks		x								x		x			x	x		o	x	o	
Sulfatic Rocks		x							x	x		o									
Metam. Rocks (massive)		x	x	x		o						x			x	x		o	x		
Metam. Rocks (foliated)	x	x	x	x		o						x		x						x	x
Brittle Fault Rocks		o				o	x	x	x		x	x	x								

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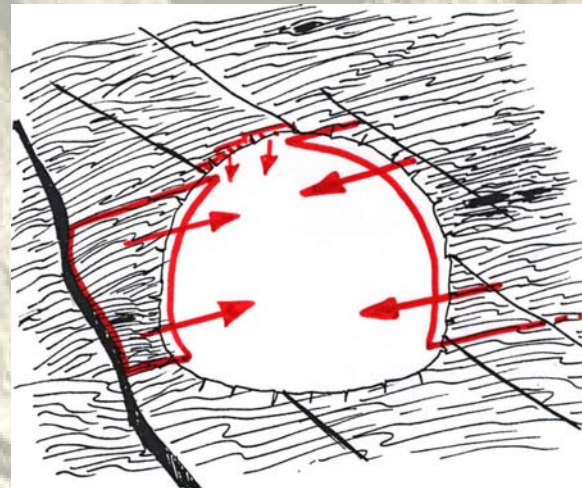
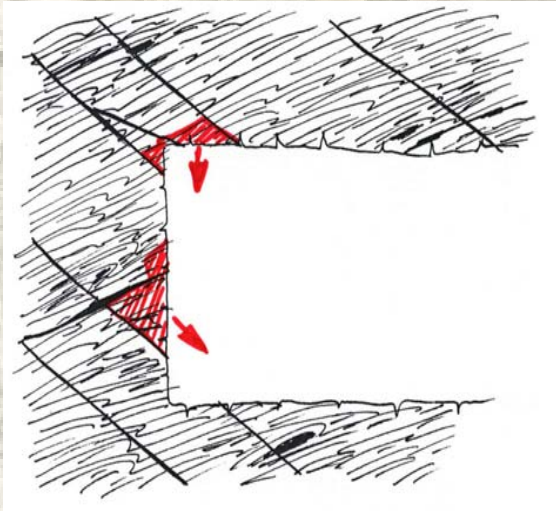
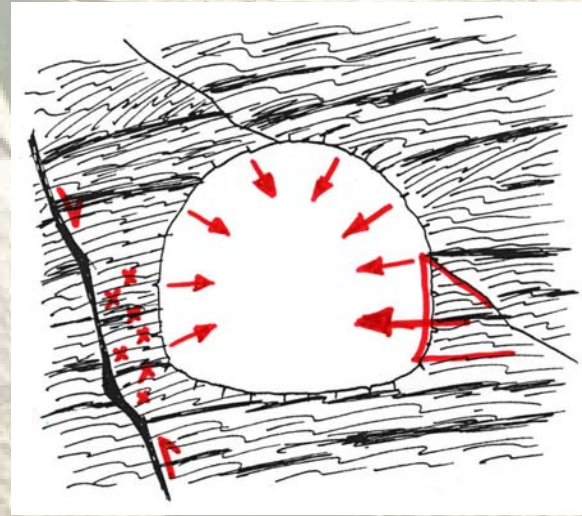
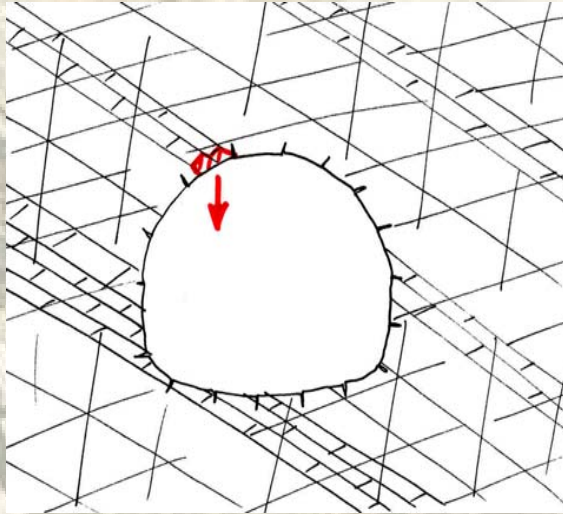
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# BASIC BEHAVIOUR TYPES

Basic Behavior Type		Description
1	Stable	Stable rock mass with small local gravity induced falling or sliding of blocks
2	Stable with the potential of discontinuity controlled block fall	Deep reaching discontinuity controlled, gravity induced falling and sliding of blocks, occasional local shear failure
3	Shallow shear failure	Shallow stress controlled shear failures in combination with discontinuity and gravity controlled failure of the rock mass
4	Deep seated shear failure	Deep seated, stress induced shear failures and large deformations
5	Rock burst	Sudden and violent failure of the rock mass, caused by highly stressed rock and the rapid release of accumulated strain energy
6	Buckling failure	Buckling of rocks with a narrowly spaced discontinuity set, frequently associated with shear failure
7	Shear failure under low confining pressure	Potential for excessive overbreak and progressive shear failure with the development of dead loads, caused mainly by a deficiency of side pressure
8	Raveling ground	Flow of cohesionless dry or moist material
9	Flowing ground	Flow of material with high water content
10	Swelling	Time dependent volume increase of the rock mass, caused by physical- chemical reactions of rock and water in combination with stress relief, leading to inward movement of the tunnel perimeter
11	Rock mass with frequently changing deformation characteristics	Rapid variations of stresses and deformations, caused by block-in matrix situation of a tectonic melange (brittle fault)

# BEHAVIOUR TYPES (examples)



# TRANSFER OF GEOLOGICAL MODELS INTO GEOTECHNICAL DESIGN

**GEOLOGICAL LONGITUDINAL SECTION**

**ROCK MASS TYPES**

stepwise assigned (e.g. 20 m intervals)

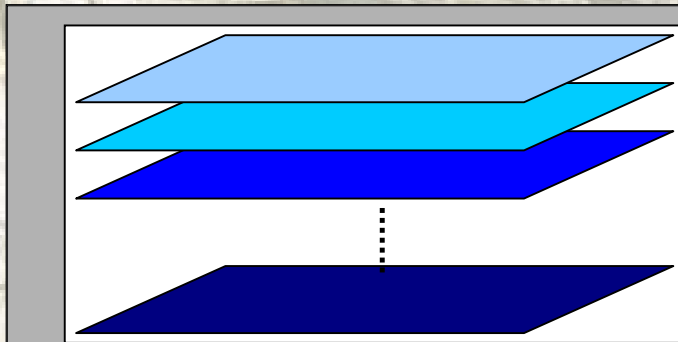
**ANALYTICAL CALCULATIONS**

for each 20 m step

Input: influencing factors, geotechnical properties  
Output: displacements, depths of broken zones, etc.

# DETERMINATION OF BEHAVIOUR TYPES

OUTPUT OF ANALYTICAL  
CALCULATIONS

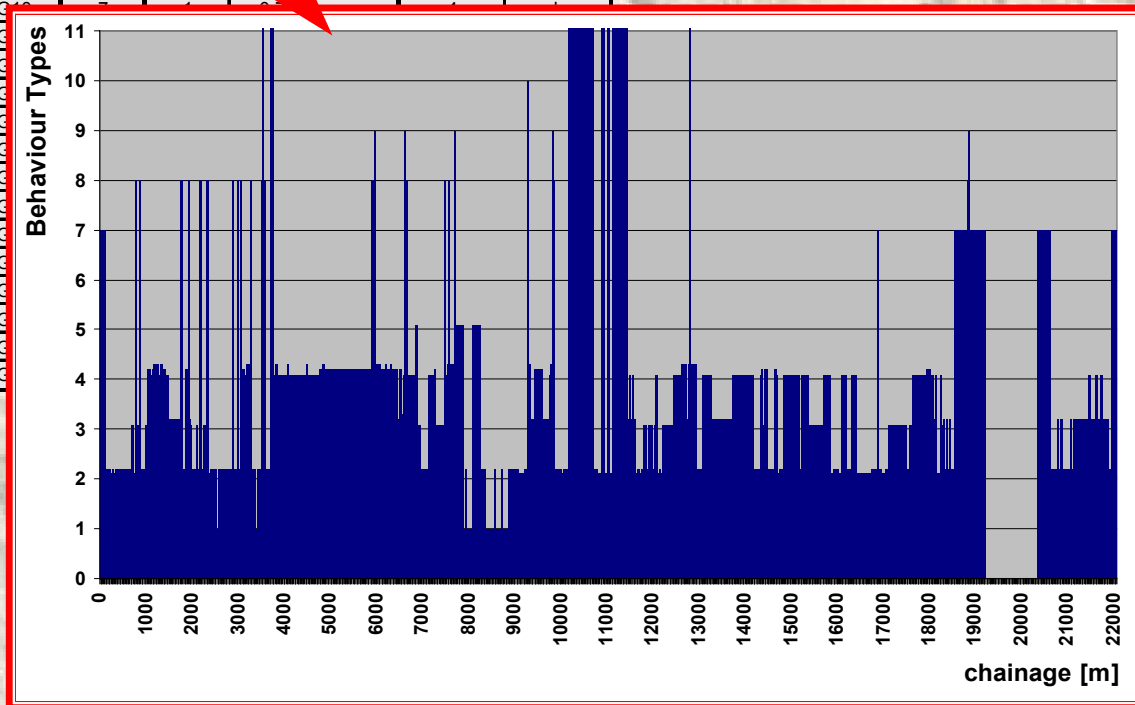


eleven parameter groups for the  
determination of the basic  
**BEHAVIOUR TYPES**

**BEHAVIOUR TYPE**  
determined for each 20 m step

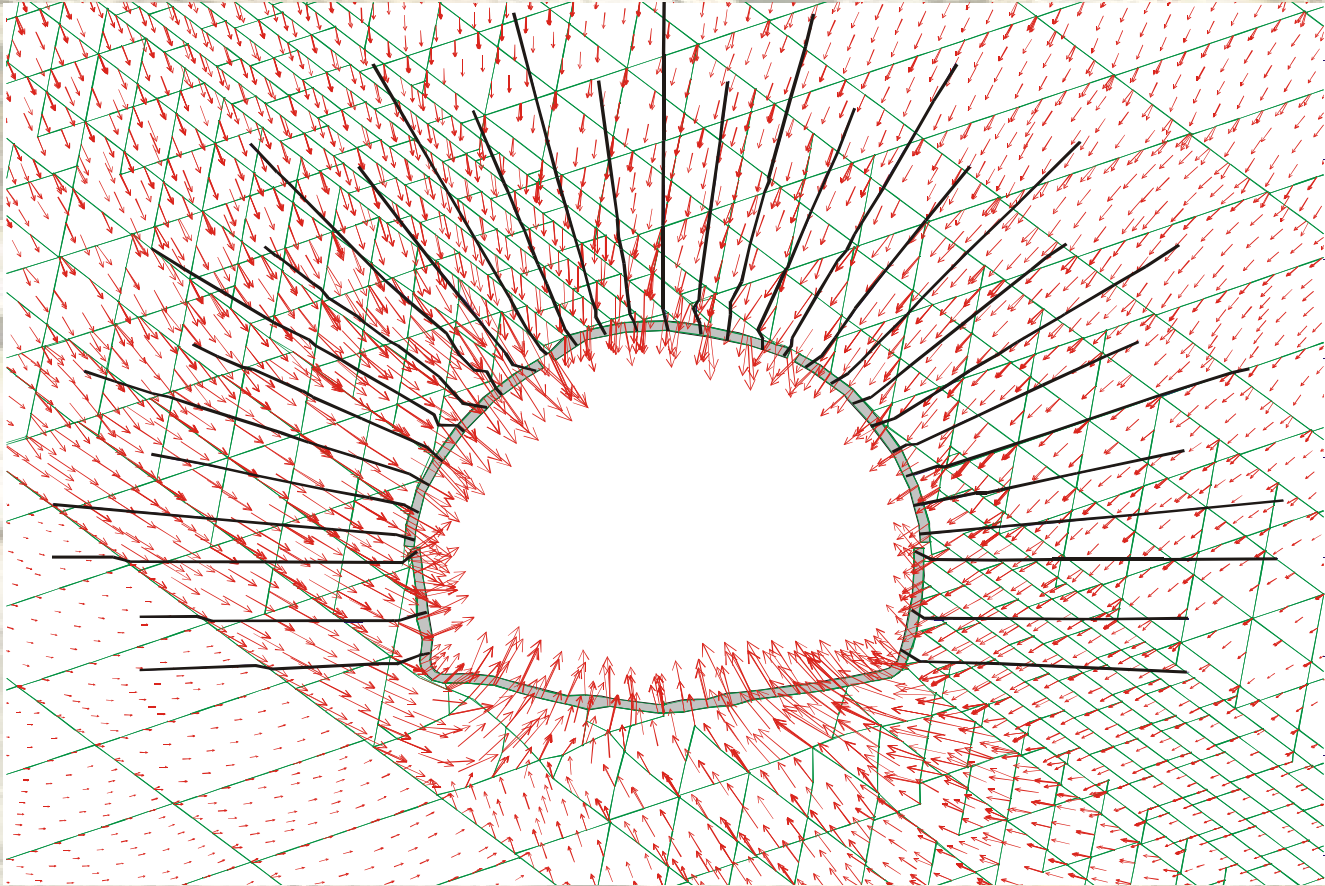
# DETERMINATION OF BEHAVIOUR TYPES

chainage from	to	Rock Mass Type	Behaviour Type	Displacement Category	Support Pressure	System Behaviour	Excavation Category	Support Class
0	20	G10	7	1	0.7	c	4	b
20	40	G10	7	1	0.7	c	4	b
40	60	G10	7	1	0.7	c	4	b
60	80	G10	7	1	0.7	c	4	b
80	100	G10	7	1	0.7	c	4	b
100	120	G10	7	1	0.7	c	4	b
120	140	G10	7	1	0.7	c	4	b
140	160	G10	7	1	0.7	c	4	b
160	180	G10	7	1	0.7	c	4	b
180	200	G10	7	1	0.7	c	4	b
200	220	G10	7	1	0.7	c	4	b
220	240	G10	7	1	0.7	c	4	b
240	260	G10	7	1	0.7	c	4	b
260	280	G10	7	1	0.7	c	4	b
280	300	G10	7	1	0.7	c	4	b
300	320	G10	7	1	0.7	c	4	b



# DETERMINATION SYSTEM BEHAVIOUR

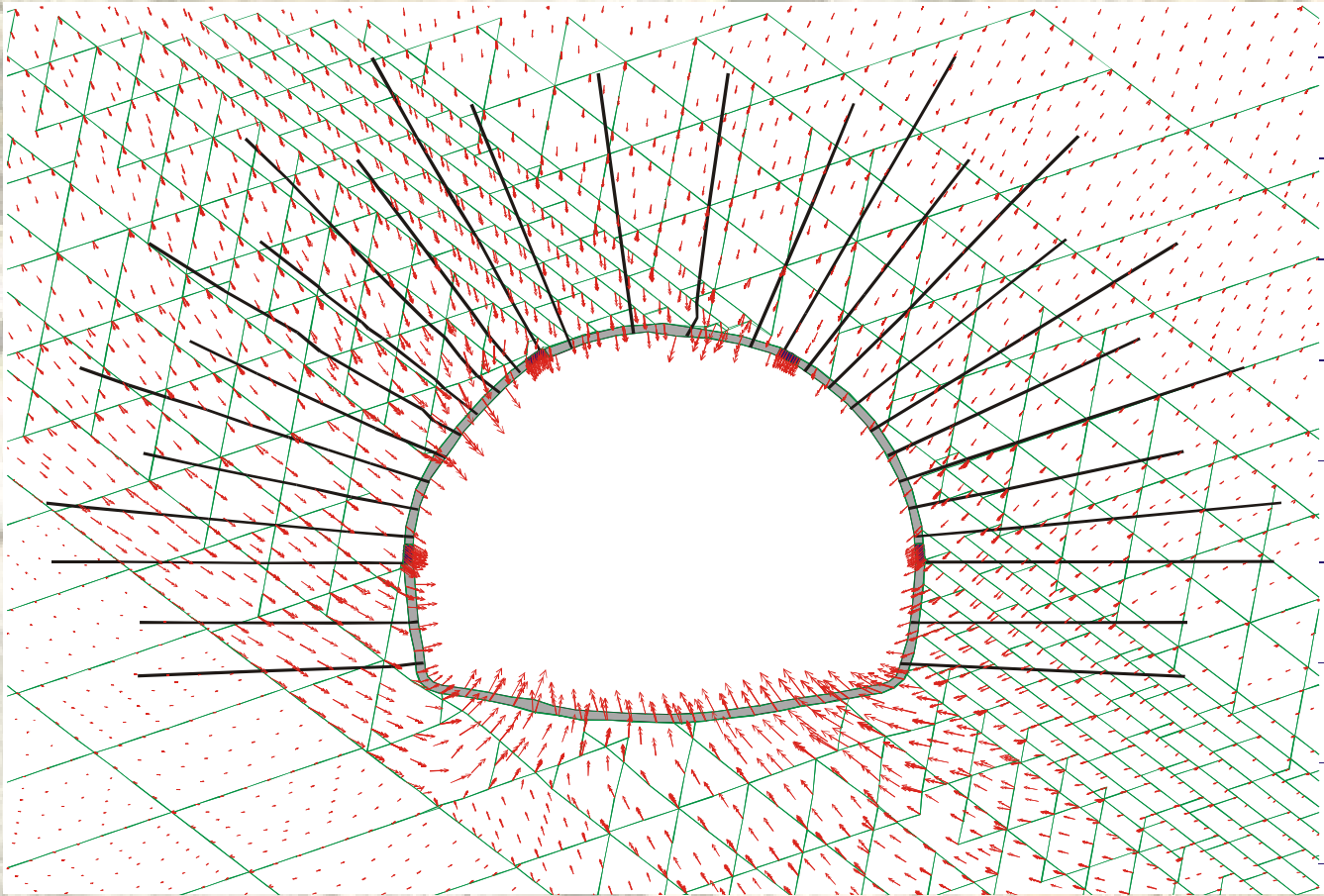
*Heavily broken primary lining*



Galgenberg Tunnel, Austria

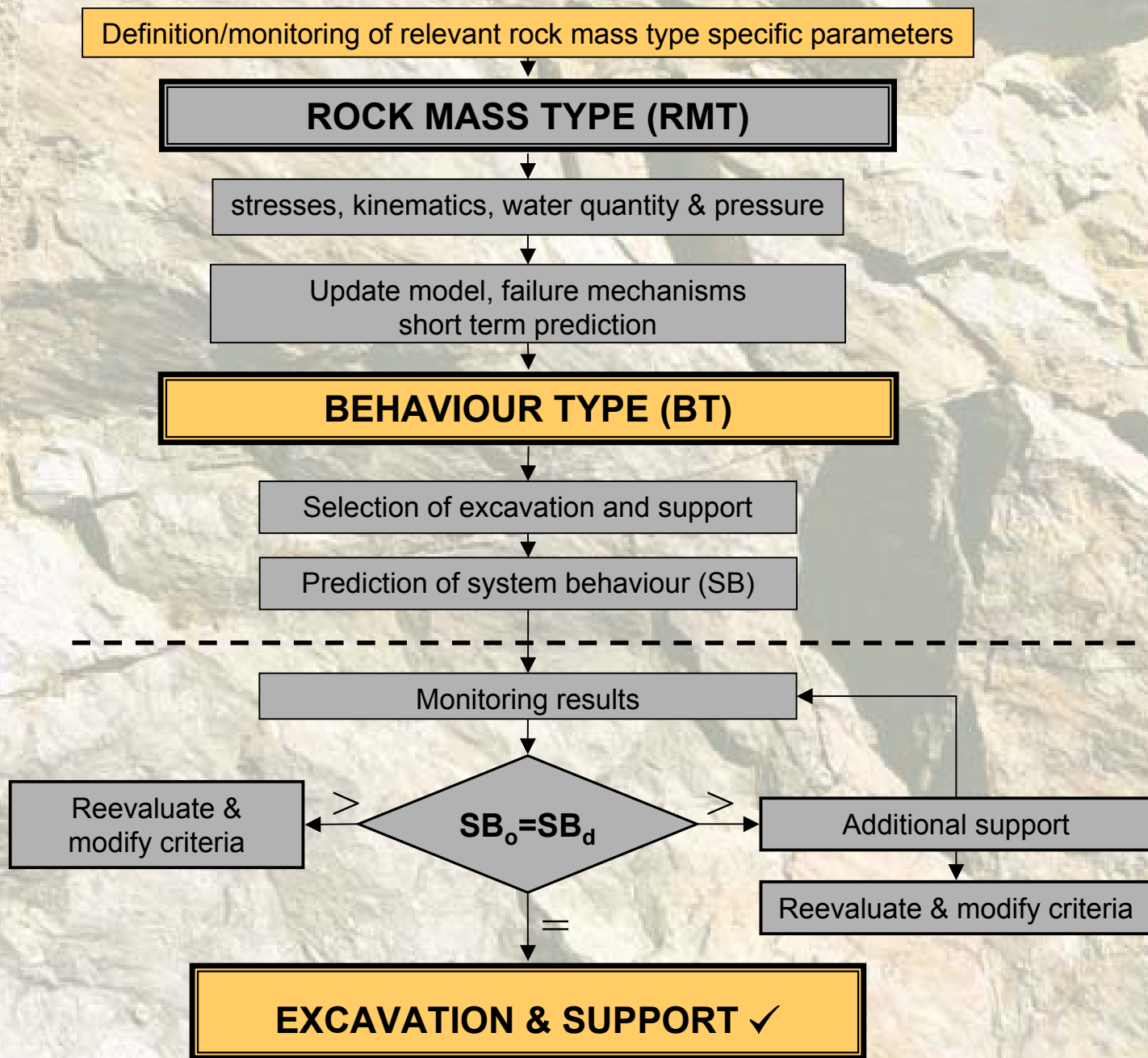
# DETERMINATION SYSTEM BEHAVIOUR

*Substantial improvement by installing LSC elements*

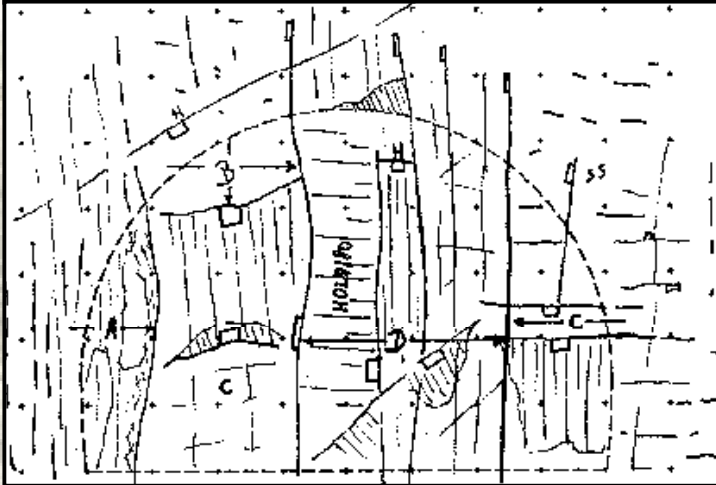


Galgenberg Tunnel, Austria

## PROCEDURE DURING CONSTRUCTION



# EXAMPLE CONSTRUCTION



area	lithology	bedding thicken.			deg. of fract.			apert. +/-	R. M. Type
		a	b	c	low	med.	high		
A	MS		X			X		+	9
B	LD	X				X		+	2
C	LD	X				X		+	2
D	LD		X			X		+	3

area	interlocked		water inflow		Behav. Type local	dominating regions
	yes	no	no < 5	> 5		
A		X	X		4	A,C
B	X		X		2	
C		X	X		3	
D		X	X		4	

**Displacement category (cm)**

<5      5-10      >10

**Behavior Type 2**

rock mass with potential for systematical and voluminous overbreak, no stress induced failures

**Support & Excavation Concept**

round length: 1.3 m  
support type: ST 3

# Case Studies

## *Conceptual (Route Selection) and Feasibility Study*



Mae Kuang Inflow Augmentation Project

# Case Studies

## *Conceptual (Route Selection) and Feasibility Study*

### **Project Data and Tasks**

Chiang Mai flood protection project. Deviation of water from the Mae Ngut reservoir through TBM tunnels

- No.1 Tunnel (length: 32.6 km, diameter 4.60 m)
- No.3 Tunnel (length: 25.0 km, diameter 4.60 m)
- No.6 Tunnel (length: 28.8 km, diameter 4.60 m)
- Main Tunnel (length: 21.7 km, diameter 5.0 m)

Geological-geotechnical field studies and consulting services, supervision of site investigation, cost estimate and comparison

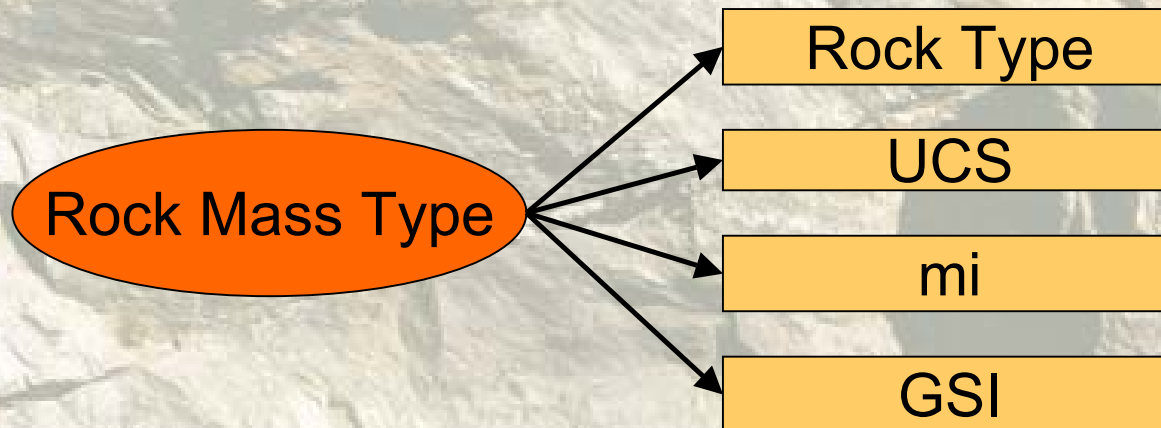
### **Geology**

Paleozoic and Mesozoic shale, sandstone, limestone and Triassic granitic intrusions were subjected to intense thrusting. Tertiary tectonic events generated pull-apart-basins filled with gravels and sands

Mae Kuang Inflow Augmentation Project

# Case Studies

## *Mae Kuang Inflow Augmentation Project*

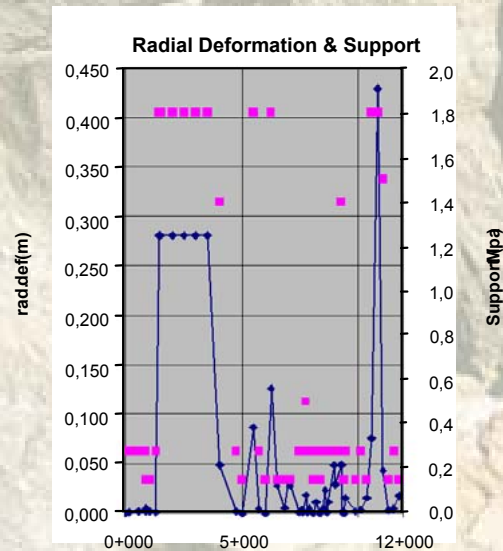
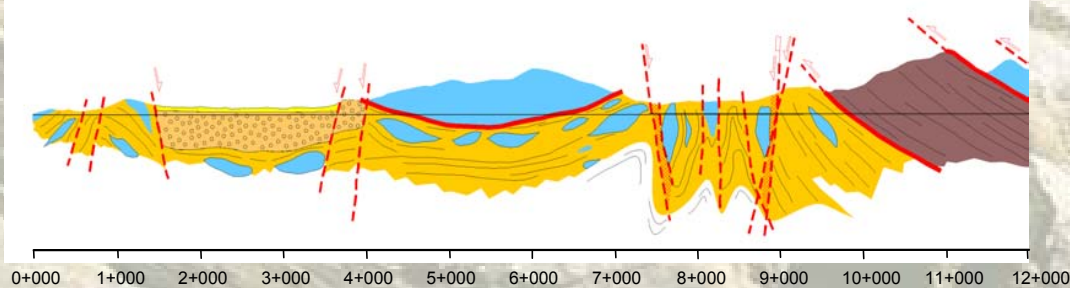


Parameters for Analytical Calculation

# Case Studies

## Mae Kuang Inflow Augmentation Project

### Geological Profile of Route No. 3 Tunnel



Results of Analytical Calculation

# Case Studies

## Mae Kuang Inflow Augmentation Project

coh	s	mb	a	E	my	pcr	D <sub>pr</sub> (m)/R <sub>eq,5</sub>	R <sub>R</sub> (m)/R <sub>eq-2,5</sub>	R <sub>R</sub> (m)/R <sub>eq-5</sub>
4.64	0.0039	2.52	0.50	10000	0.30	-2.42	0.00	0.0010	0.0010
29.12	0.1889	17.56	0.50	118569	0.10	-17.22	0.00	0.0002	0.0002
29.12	0.1889	17.56	0.50	118569	0.10	-17.51	0.00	0.0001	0.0001
0.35	0.0000	0.17	0.63	1257	0.40	4.71	7.28	0.9809	0.0809
15.01	0.1084	4.90	0.50	56234	0.10	-8.98	0.00	0.0004	0.0004
15.01	0.1084	4.90	0.50	56234	0.10	-8.93	0.00	0.0004	0.0004
15.01	0.1084	4.90	0.50	56234	0.10	-9.14	0.00	0.0003	0.0003
15.01	0.1084	4.90	0.50	56234	0.10	-9.14	0.00	0.0003	0.0003
1.29	0.0004	1.15	0.50	2000	0.25	2.21	0.45	0.0096	0.0096
5.25	0.0013	1.17	0.50	6887	0.10	-1.31	0.00	0.0025	0.0025
5.25	0.0013	1.17	0.50	6887	0.10	-1.52	0.00	0.0023	0.0023
29.12	0.1889	17.56	0.50	118569	0.10	-17.64	0.00	0.0001	0.0001
0.35	0.0000	0.17	0.63	1257	0.40	3.53	4.06	0.0288	0.0288
1.29	0.0004	1.15	0.50	2000	0.25	1.37	0.15	0.0061	0.0061
15.01	0.1084	4.90	0.50	56234	0.10	-9.14	0.00	0.0003	0.0003
5.25	0.0013	1.17	0.50	6887	0.10	-0.12	0.00	0.0034	0.0034
5.25	0.0013	1.17	0.50	6887	0.10	0.30	0.01	0.0037	0.0037
4.64	0.0039	2.52	0.50	10000	0.30	1.37	0.15	0.0040	0.0040
4.64	0.0039	2.52	0.50	10000	0.30	2.70	0.31	0.0052	0.0052
10.16	0.0007	2.36	0.50	6668	0.10	-1.64	0.00	0.0063	0.0063
1.52	0.0013	1.64	0.50	3557	0.25	5.43	1.45	0.0227	0.0227
2.03	0.0013	2.11	0.50	3976	0.25	4.52	1.00	0.0166	0.0166
0.62	0.0004	0.99	0.50	1414	0.35	5.96	3.47	0.1009	0.1009
1.29	0.0004	1.15	0.50	2000	0.25	4.44	1.15	0.0240	0.0240
0.35	0.0000	0.17	0.63	1257	0.40	8.47	21.62	0.8037	0.8037
0.35	0.0000	0.17	0.63	1257	0.40	8.25	20.63	0.7233	0.7233
10.16	0.0007	2.36	0.50	6668	0.10	-3.95	0.00	0.0041	0.0041
5.25	0.0013	1.17	0.50	6887	0.10	1.21	0.14	0.0045	0.0045
15.01	0.1084	4.90	0.50	56234	0.10	-6.59	0.00	0.0007	0.0007
15.01	0.1084	4.90	0.50	56234	0.10	-6.59	0.00	0.0007	0.0007
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15.01	0.1084	4.90	0.50	56234	0.10	-6.12	0.00	0.0007	0.0007
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5.25	0.0013	1.17	0.50	6887	0.10	1.64	0.22	0.0051	0.0051
1.29	0.0004	1.15	0.50	2000	0.25	5.41	1.42	0.0327	0.0327
1.52	0.0013	1.64	0.50	3557	0.25	4.21	1.16	0.0160	0.0160
0.35	0.0000	0.17	0.63	1257	0.40	8.90	23.65	0.9857	0.9857
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0.62	0.0004	0.99	0.50	1414	0.35	5.96	3.47	0.1009	0.1009
10.16	0.0007	2.36	0.50	6668	0.10	-5.38	0.00	0.0027	0.0027
0.62	0.0004	0.99	0.50	1414	0.35	2.99	1.66	0.0300	0.0300
1.52	0.0013	1.64	0.50	3557	0.25	0.24	0.00	0.0025	0.0025
1.29	0.0004	1.15	0.50	2000	0.25	-1.13	0.00	-0.0016	0.0000
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0.35	0.0000	0.17	0.63	1257	0.40	-0.34	0.00	-0.0042	0.0000
10.16	0.0007	2.36	0.50	6668	0.10	-7.28	0.00	0.0008	0.0008
2.03	0.0013	2.11	0.50	3976	0.25	0.46	0.08	0.0037	0.0037
0.62	0.0004	0.99	0.50	1414	0.35	2.20	1.38	0.0185	0.0185
1.52	0.0013	1.64	0.50	3557	0.25	1.39	0.36	0.0051	0.0051
0.62	0.0004	0.99	0.50	1414	0.35	2.71	1.70	0.0254	0.0254

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Geotechnical Rating for No.3 Tunnel

Investigation

## Case Studies

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### Geotechnical Ratings:

<b>Tunnel No.1:</b>	<b>51,757</b>
<b>Tunnel No.3:</b>	<b>66,585</b>
<b>Tunnel No.6:</b>	<b>59,926</b>
<b>Main Tunnel:</b>	<b>32,866</b>

Construction costs of No. 1 Tunnel are  
10% less than No.3 Tunnel