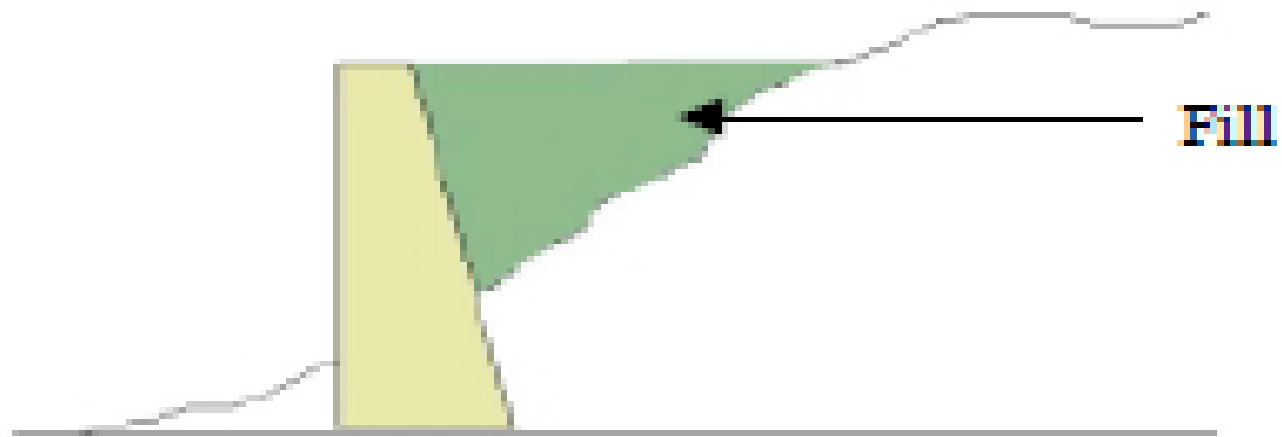


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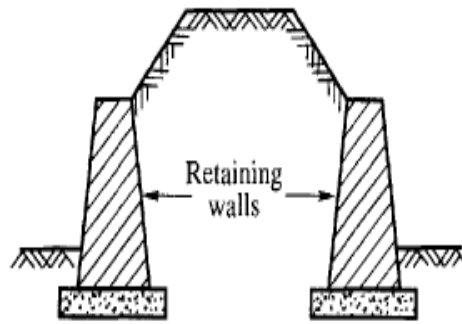
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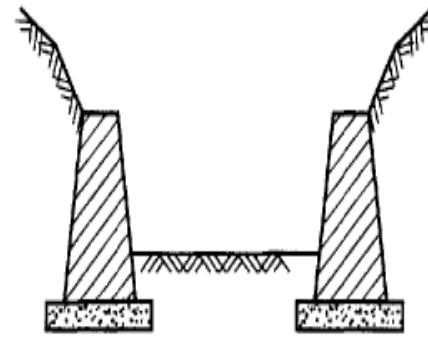
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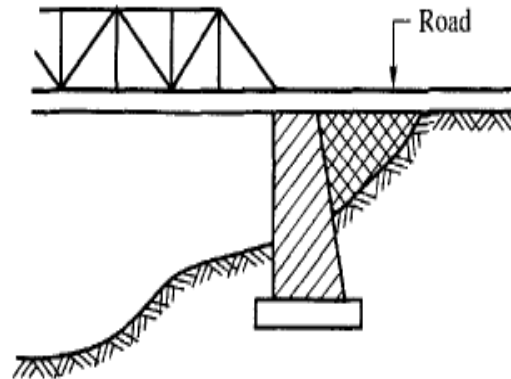
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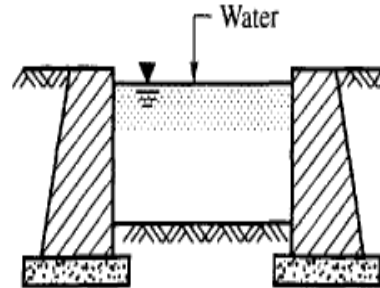
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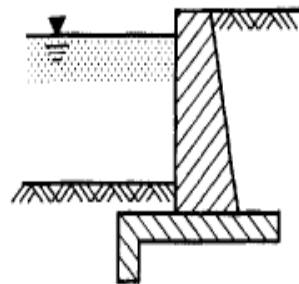
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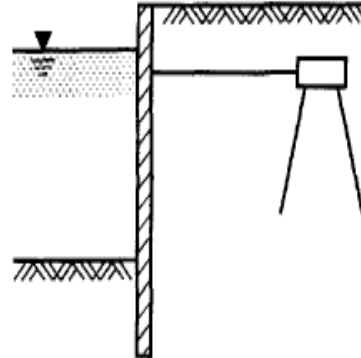
(c) A bridge abutment



(d) Water storage



(e) Flood walls



(f) Sheet pile wall





**Sheet pile wall**





# Types of retaining walls

1. Gravity retaining walls
2. Cantilever retaining walls
3. Counter fort retaining walls.



# Gravity Wall

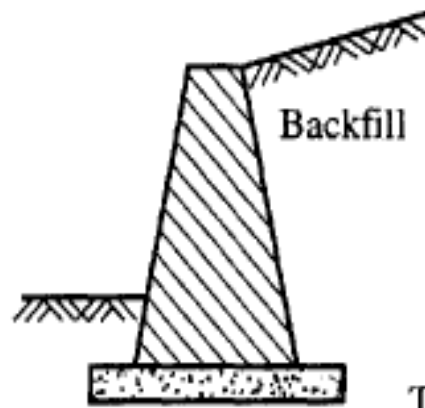


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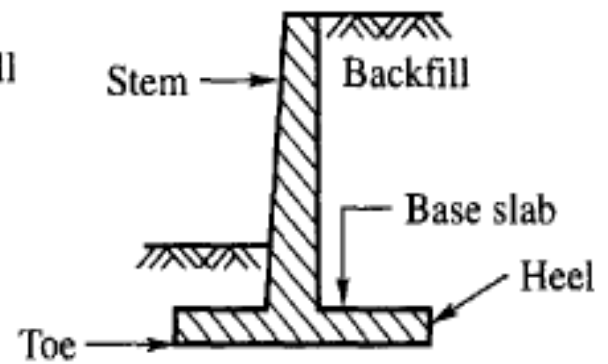




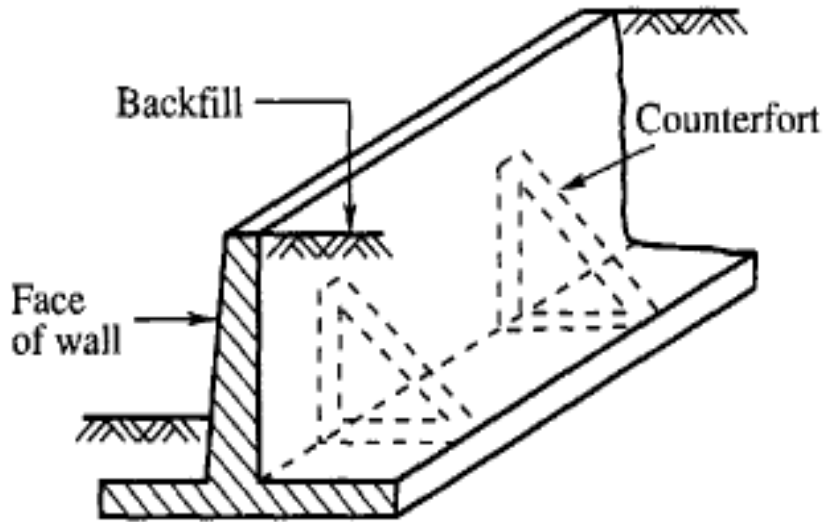
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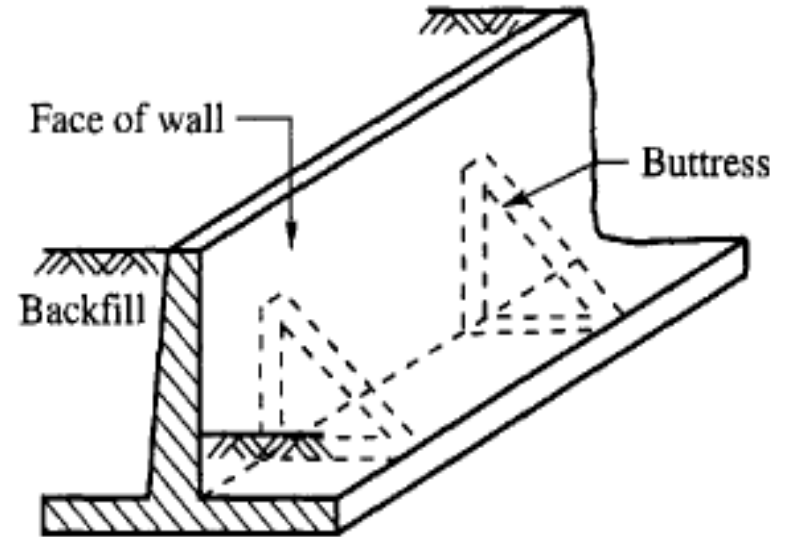
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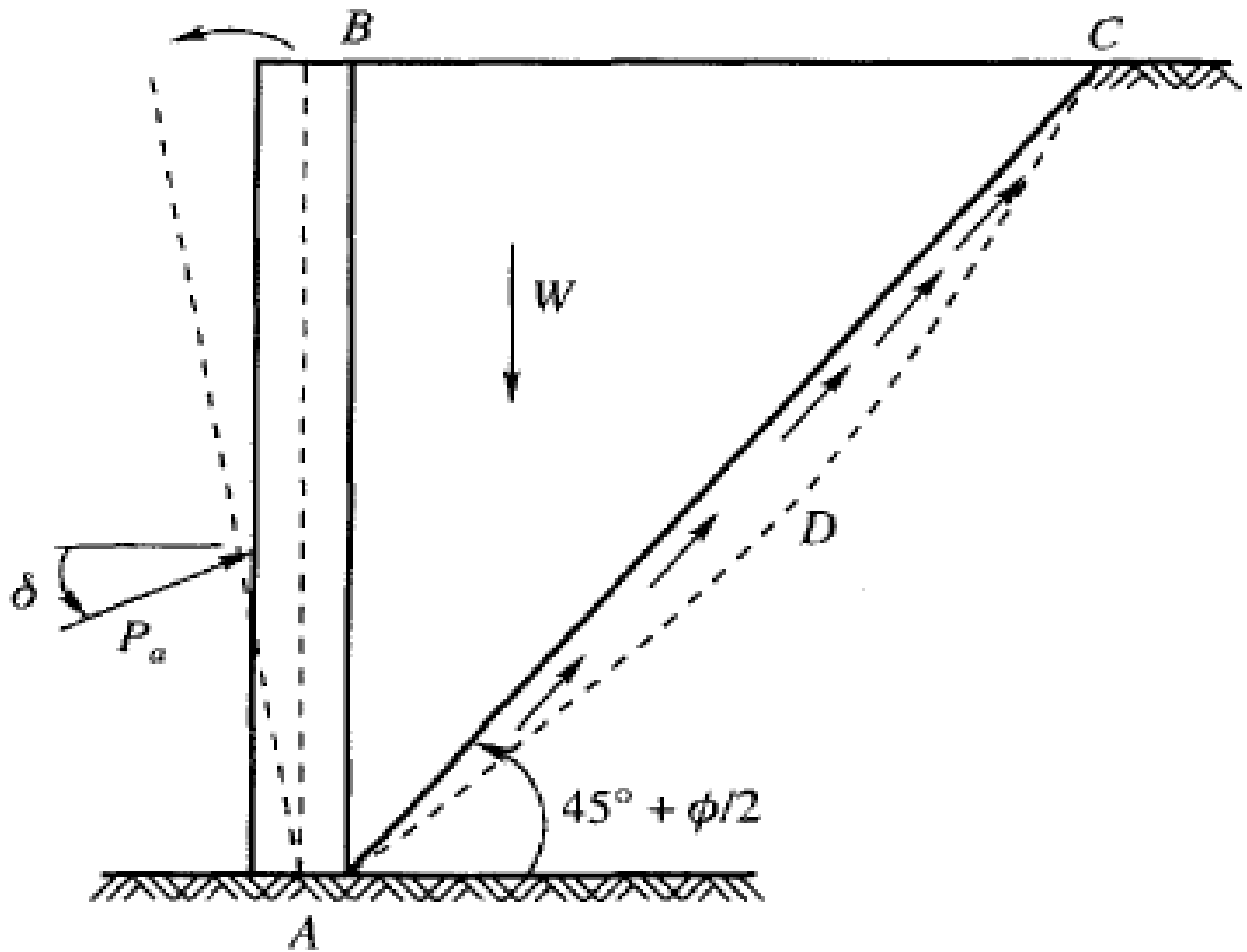
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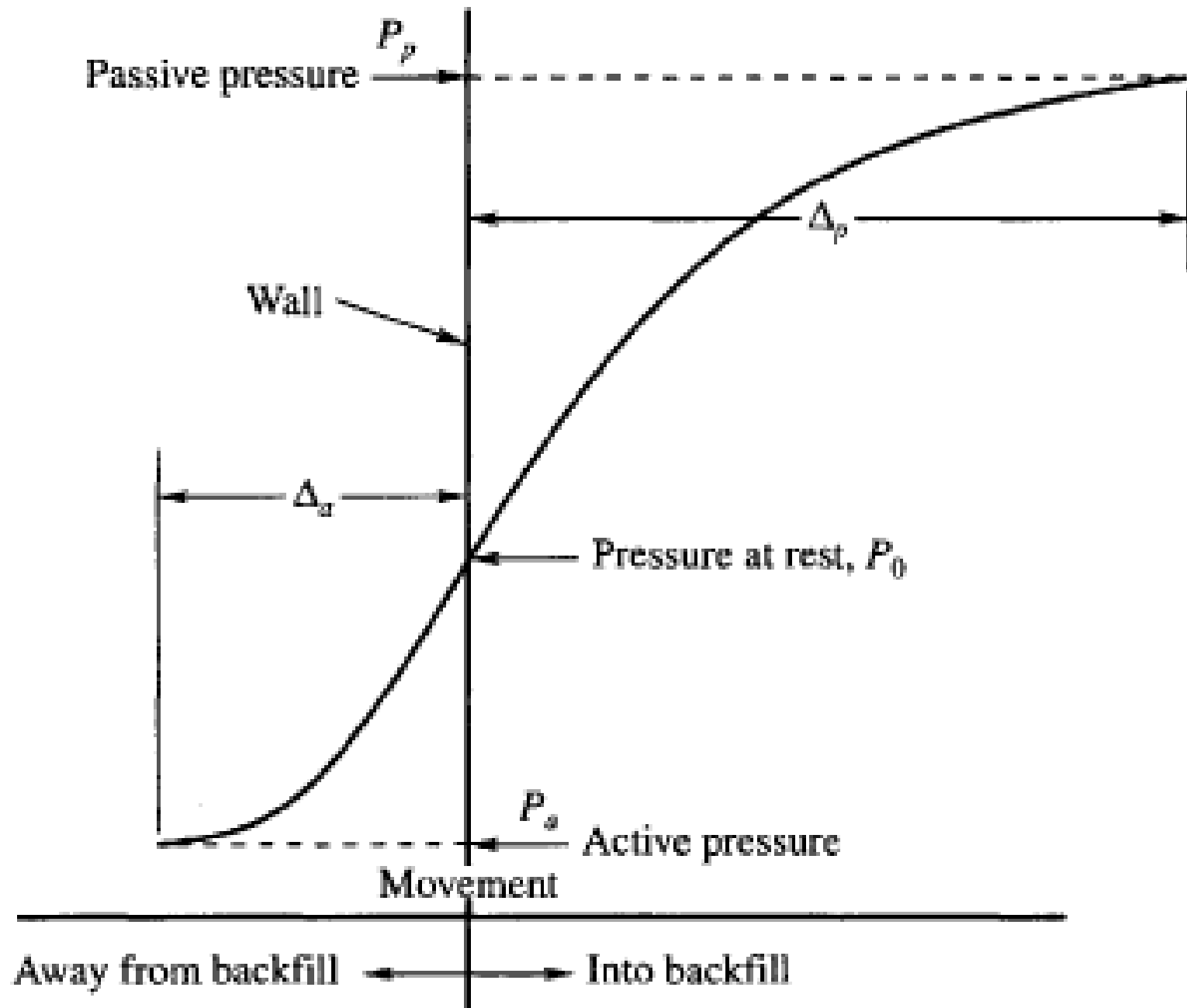
(d) Counterfort walls

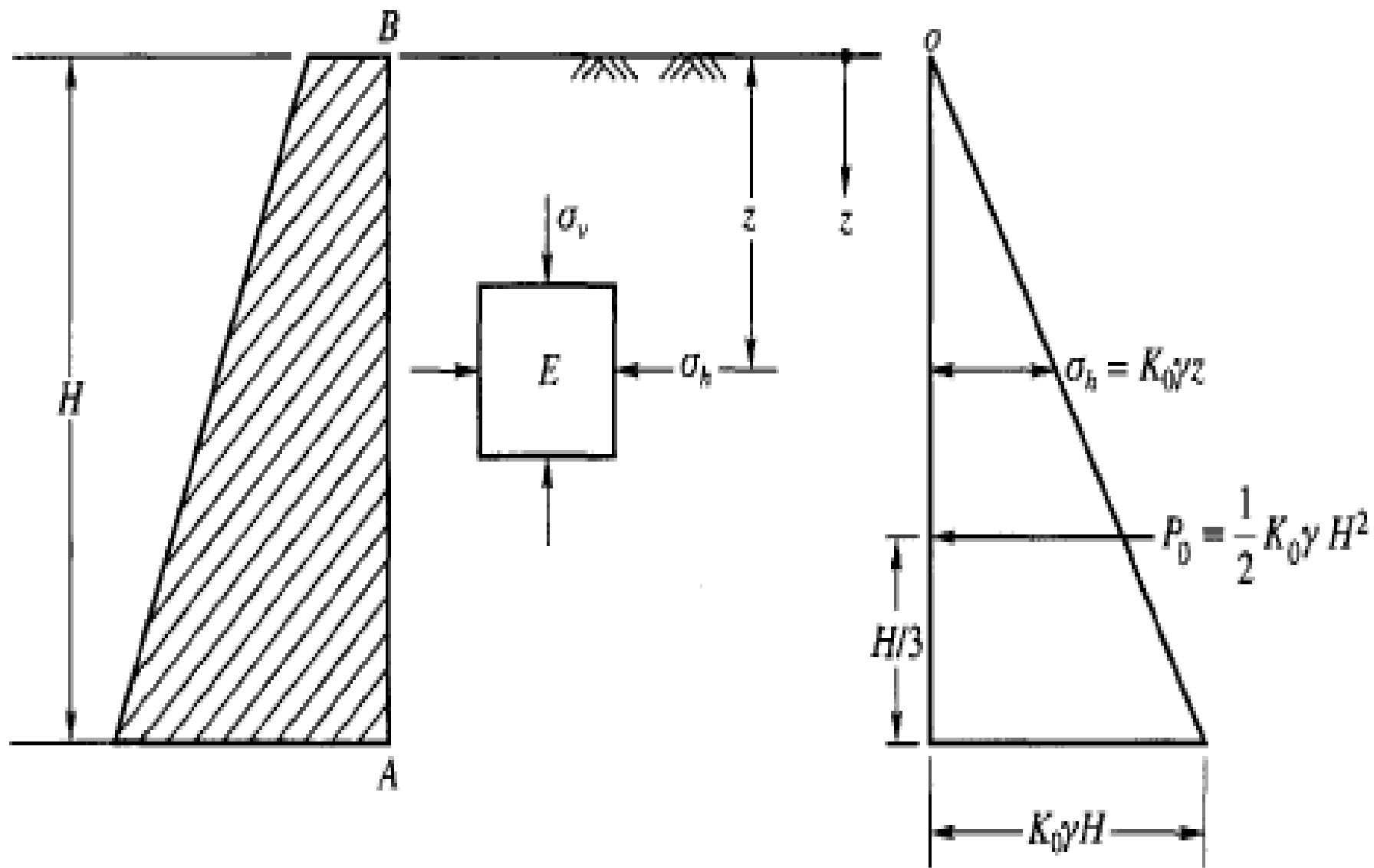


(e) Buttressed walls



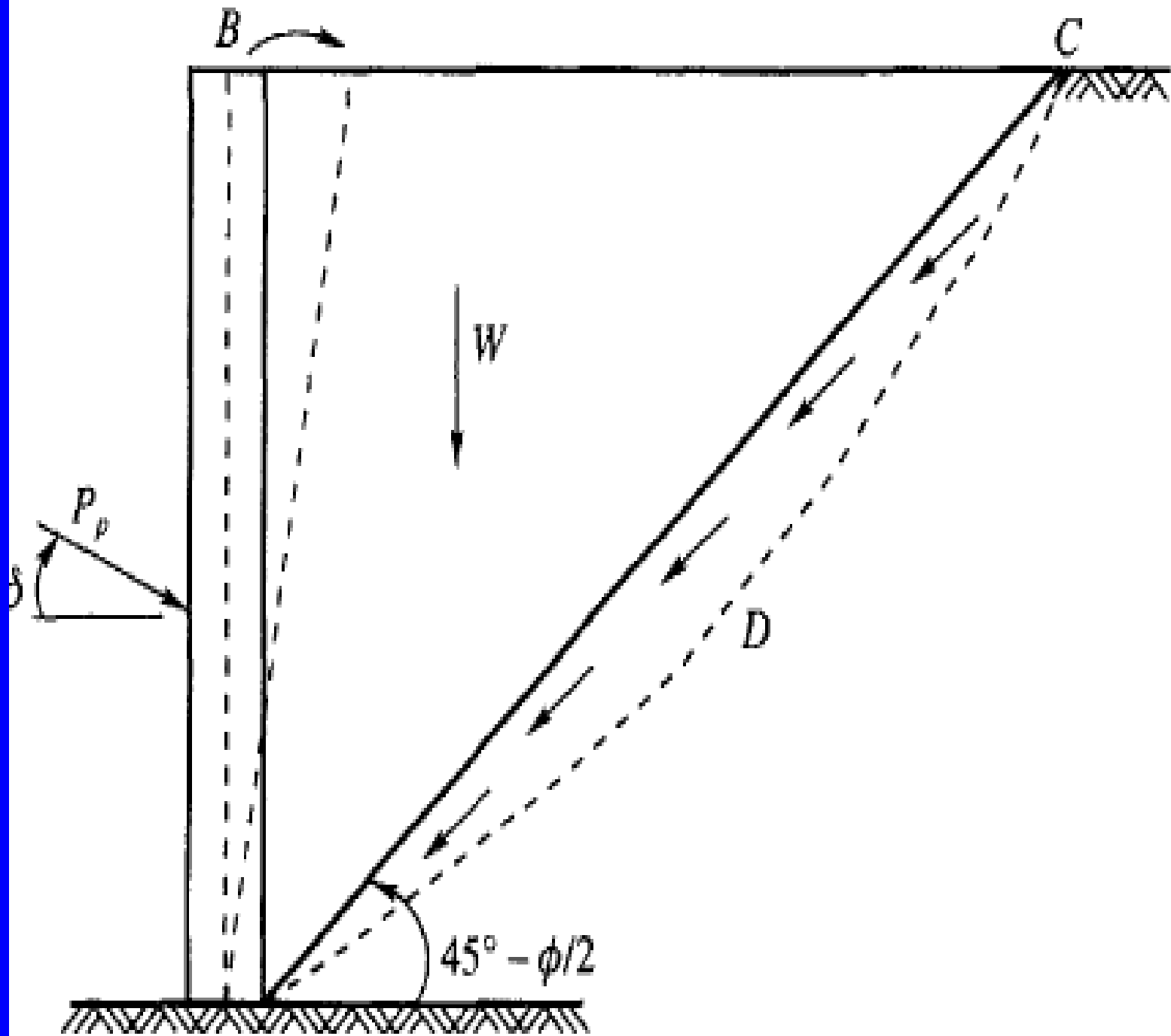
(a) Active earth pressure





(a)

(b)



# Earth Pressure Theories

- Rankine Earth Pressure Theory
- Coulomb Earth Pressure Theory

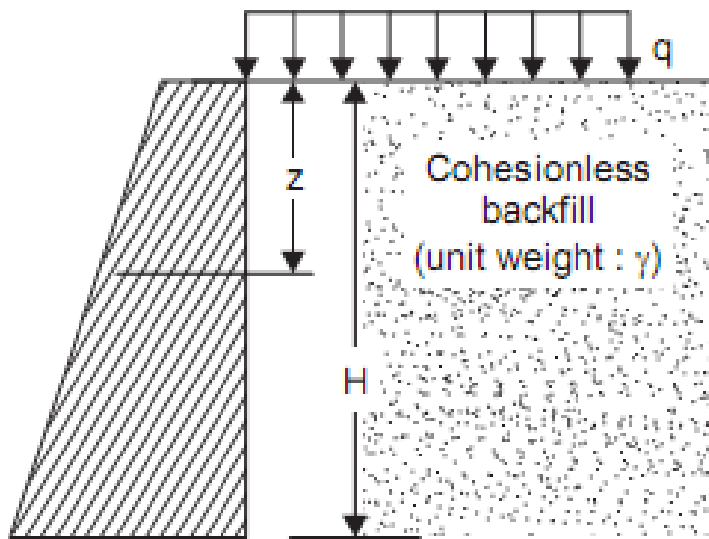


# Rankine's Theory

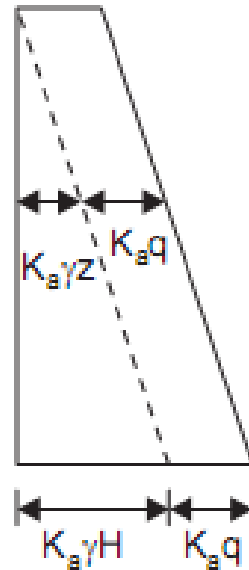
- Soil mass is semi-infinite, homogeneous, dry and cohesionless
- Friction between the wall and soil is neglected
- Lateral pressure is limited to vertical walls
- Failure along an assumed failure plane defined by  $\phi$ .

# Rankine's Theory

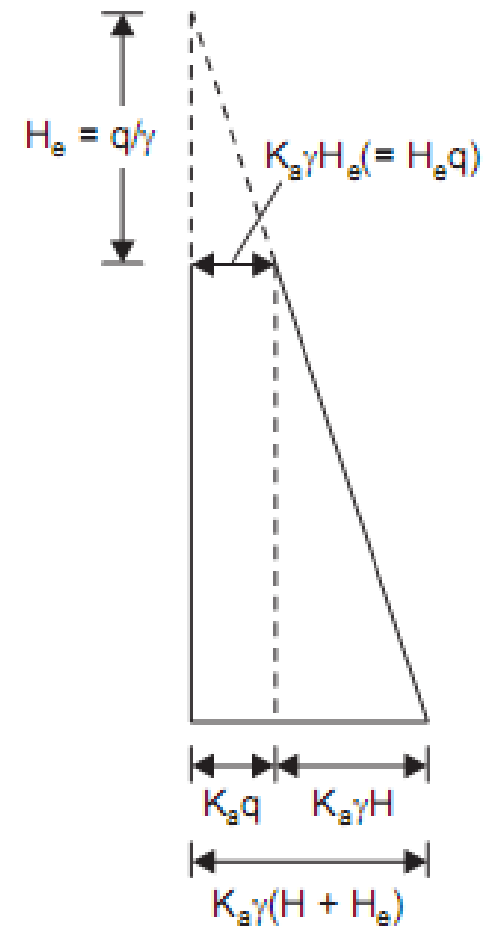
- Lateral pressure varies linearly with depth and the resultant pressure is located
- one-third of the height ( $H$ ) above the base of the wall
- Resultant force is parallel to the backfill surface
- The wall yields about the base sufficiently for the active pressure conditions to develop



(a) Wall with uniform surcharge

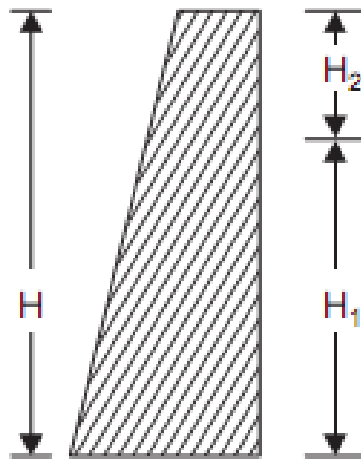


(b) Lateral pressure diagram



(c) Alternative manner of showing lateral pressure

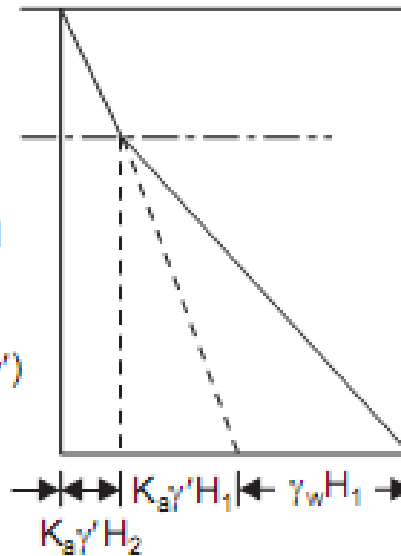
## Effect of uniform surcharge on lateral pressure



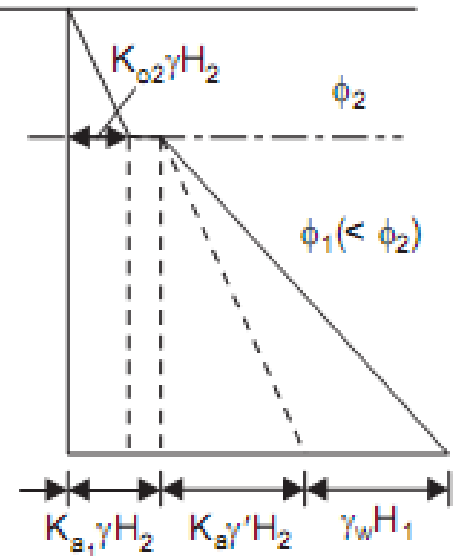
(a) Partly submerged backfill

Moist sand ( $\gamma$ )

Saturated sand  
(effective unit wt. :  $\gamma'$ )

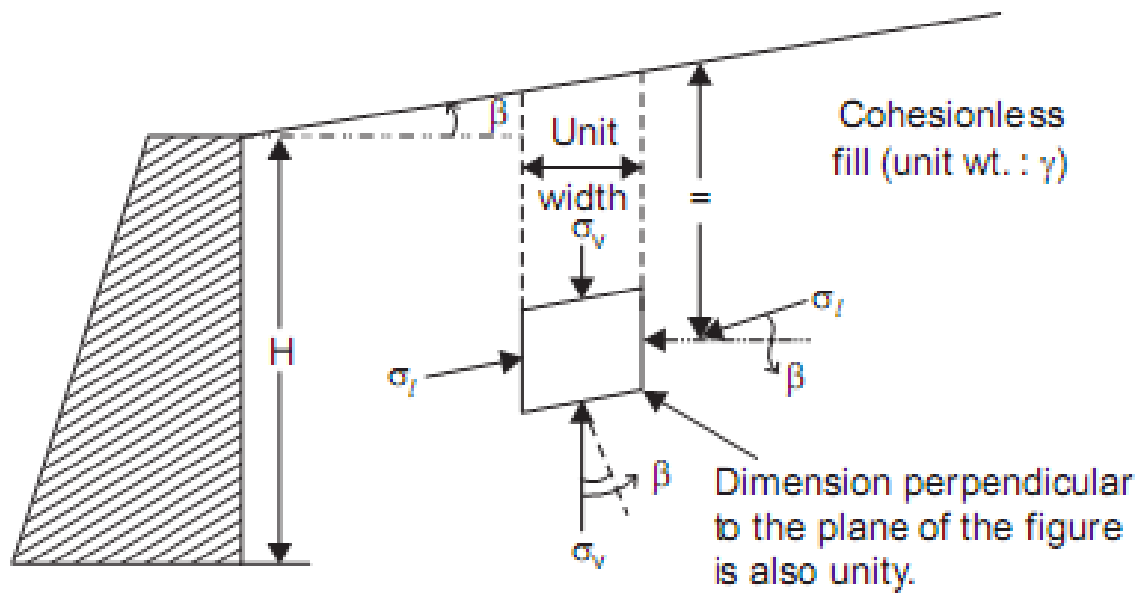


(b) Lateral pressure for partly submerged backfill

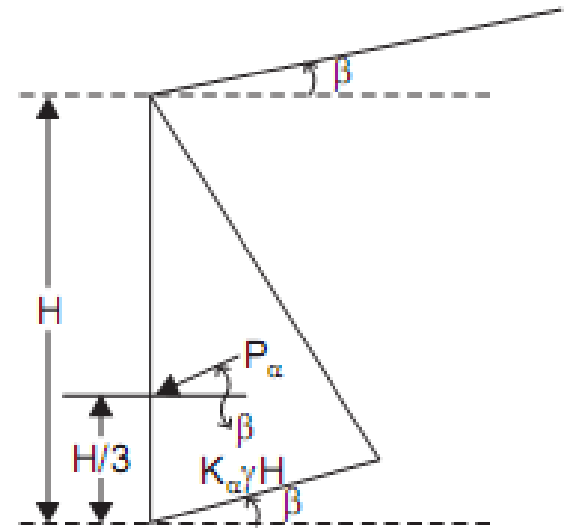


(c) Partly submerged backfill with different friction angles above and below the water table

## Submerged Backfill and Stratified Backfill

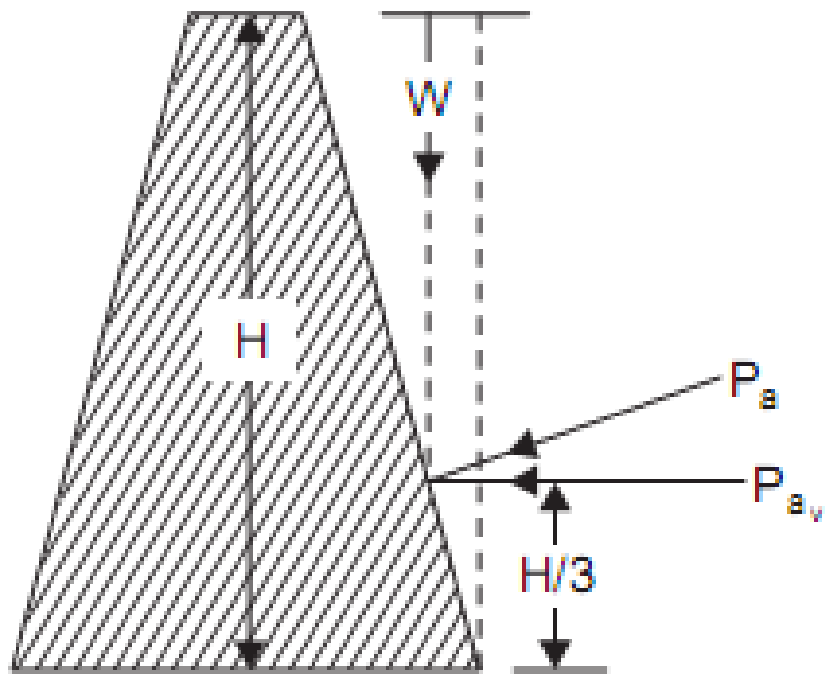


(a) Conjugate stresses on an element

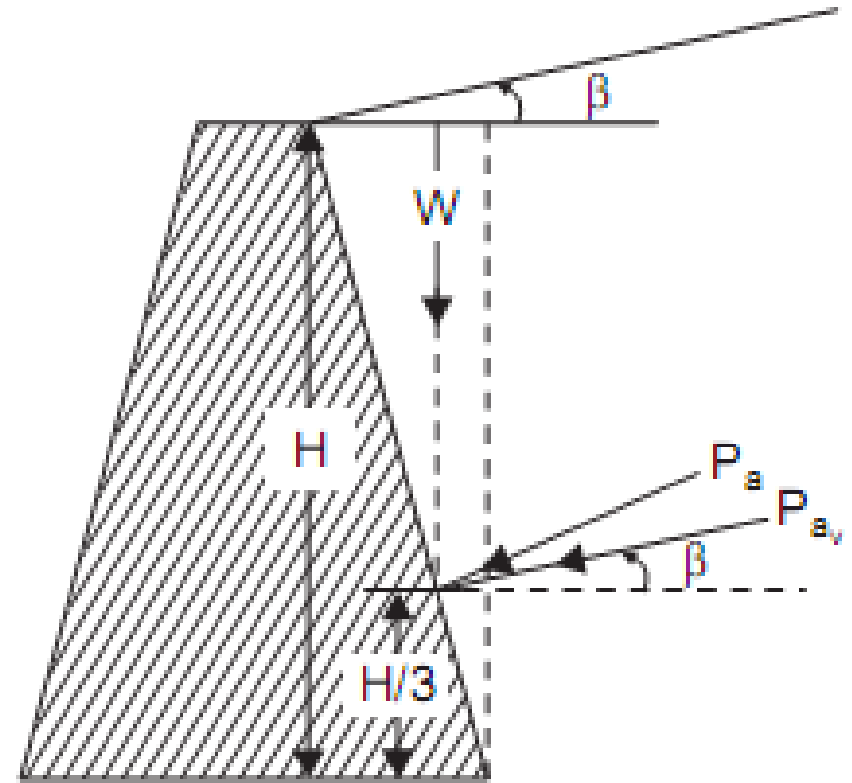


(c) Active pressure distribution

## Inclined Surcharge or Sloping Backfill



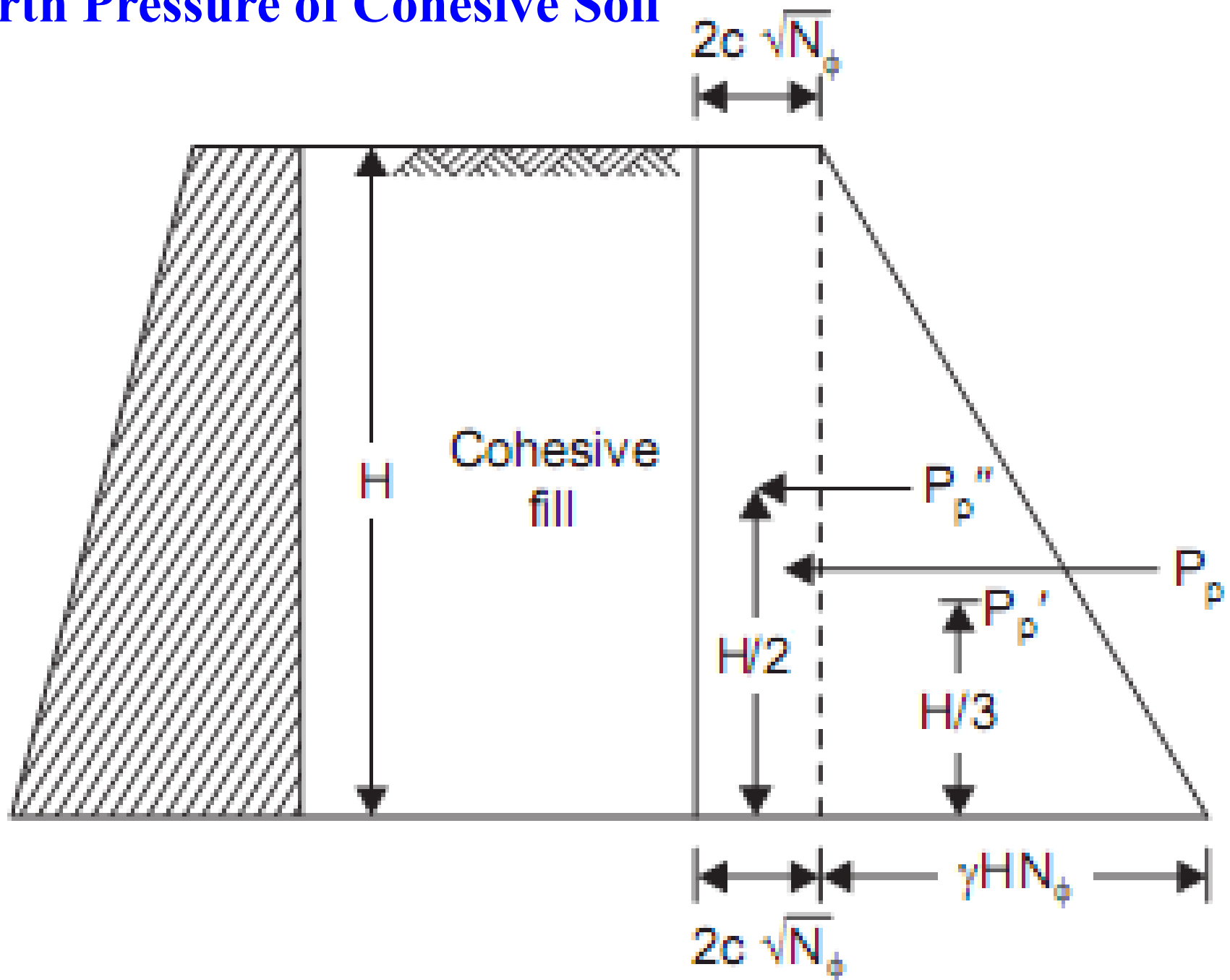
(a) Inclined back of wall—  
Horizontal backfill

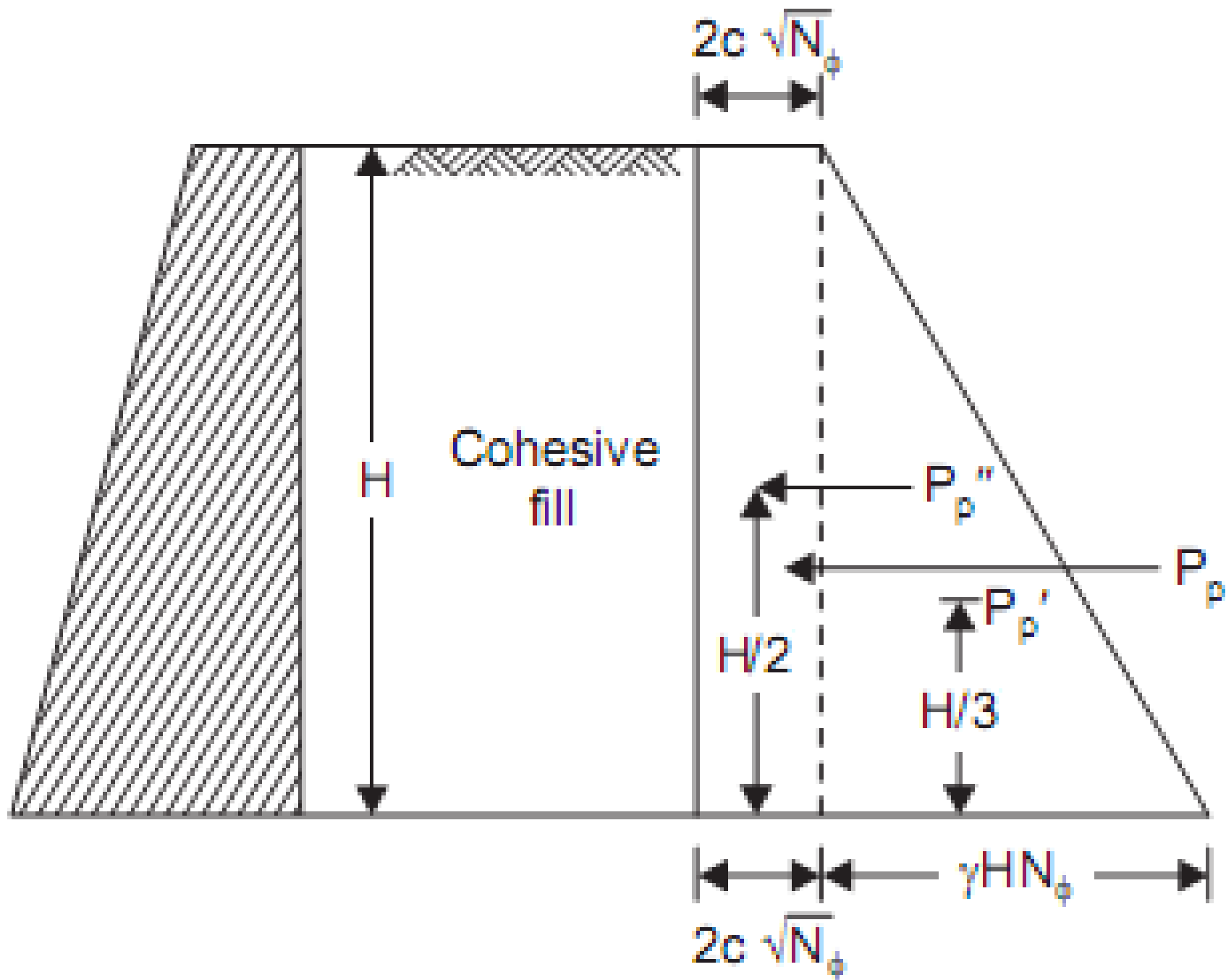


(b) Inclined back of wall—  
Inclined backfill

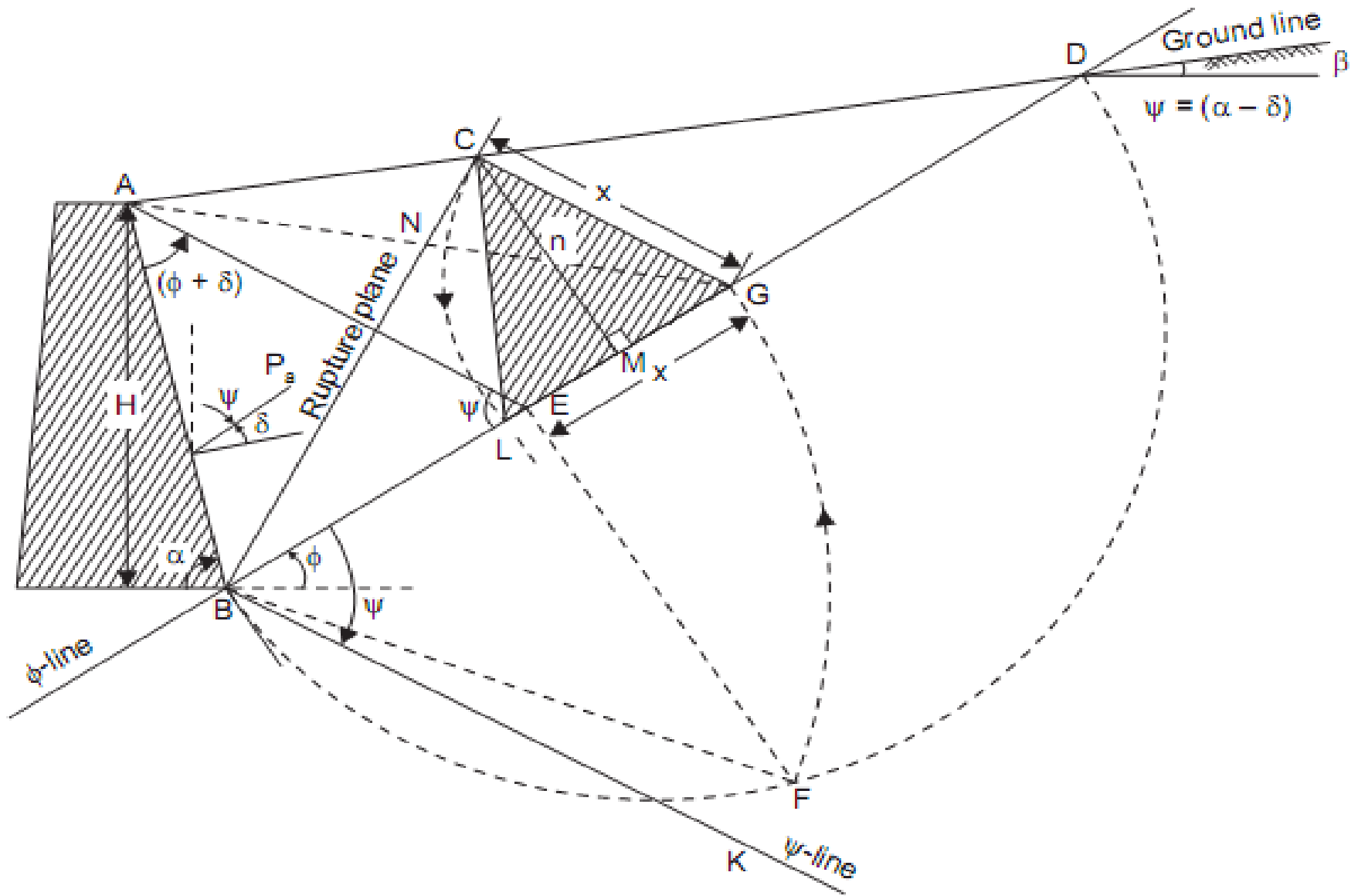
## Inclined Back of Wall

# Earth Pressure of Cohesive Soil

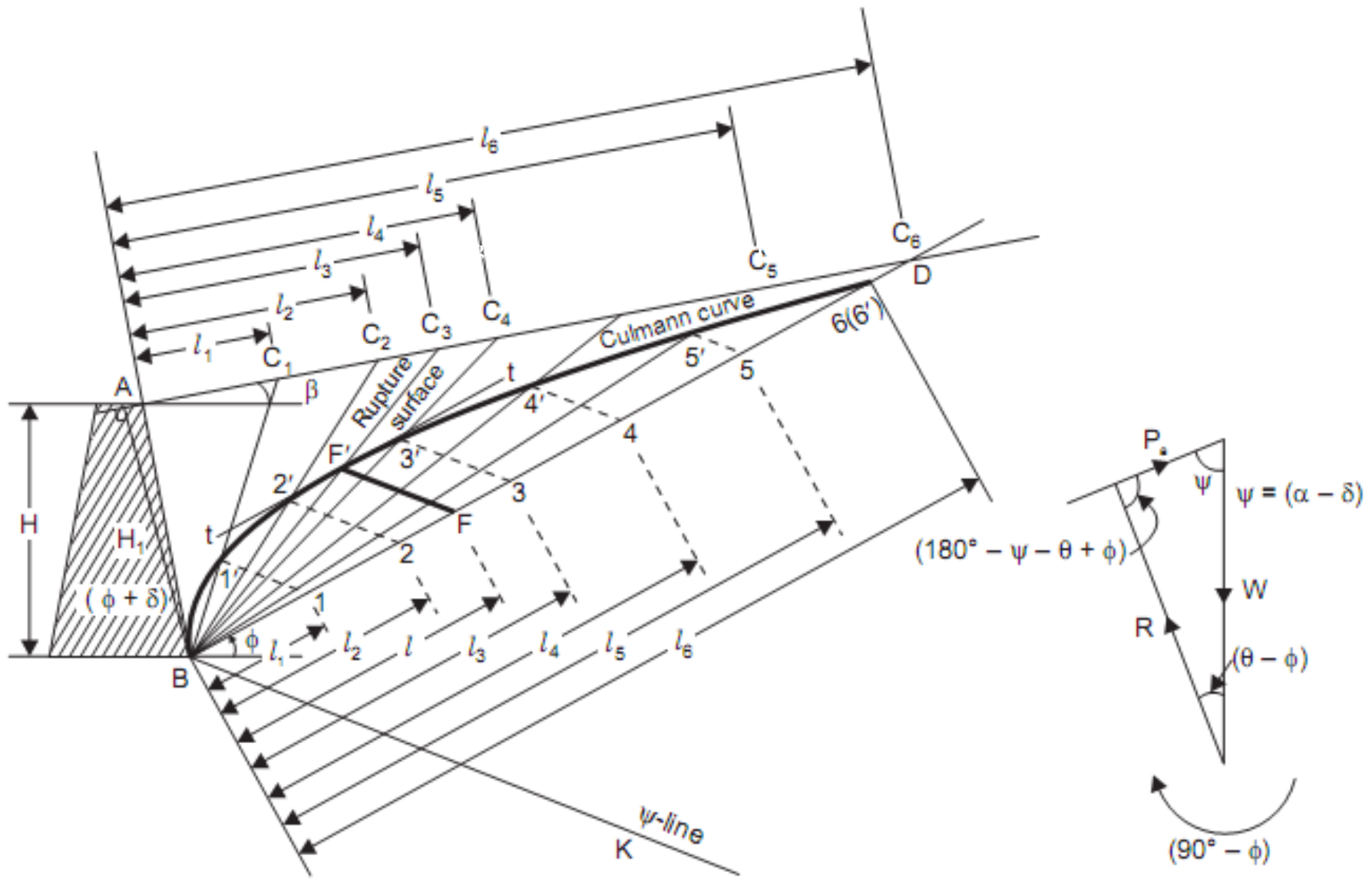








Rebhann's graphical method



(a) Culmann curve

(b) Force triangle

# Culmann's graphical method