

# Compressibility (rock)

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A measure of rock volume change due to pressure  $p$  variation:

$$(1) \quad c_r = \frac{1}{V} \frac{\partial V}{\partial p}$$

It stays constant for small pressure variations ( $c_r(p) = \text{const}$ ) but for a wide range pressure variations the dependence on ambient pressure  $c_r(p)$  can not be neglected

The typical values are in  $0.5 \div 1.5 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ kPa}^{-1}$  but may go higher for poorly consolidated rocks.

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