

# Groundwater Analytical Formulae For Radial Flow To A Well

| <u>Theis Equation</u><br>Theis (1935)  | <u>Consistent Units</u><br>(length, time)  | <u>Traditional Units</u><br>(ft, gpm, gpd/ft, days)                             |
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|  | $T = \frac{QW(u)}{4\pi s}$ $u = \frac{r^2 S}{4Tt}$ $S = \frac{4Tut}{r^2}$  | $T = \frac{114.6QW(u)}{s}$ $u = \frac{1.87r^2 S}{Tt}$ $S = \frac{Tut}{1.87r^2}$ |
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| <u>Jacob Approximation</u><br>Cooper and Jacob (1946)  | $s = \frac{0.183Q}{T} \log\left(\frac{2.25Tt}{r^2 S}\right)$   | $s = \frac{264Q}{T} \log\left(\frac{0.3Tt}{r^2 S}\right)$                       |
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| <u>Time-Drawdown</u>   | $T = \frac{0.183Q}{\Delta s \text{ per log cycle } t}$ $S = \frac{2.25Tt_0}{r^2}$  | $T = \frac{264Q}{\Delta s \text{ per log cycle } t}$ $S = \frac{0.3Tt_0}{r^2}$  |
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| <u>Distance-Drawdown</u>   | $T = \frac{0.366Q}{\Delta s \text{ per log cycle } r}$ $S = \frac{2.25Tt}{r_0^2}$  | $T = \frac{528Q}{\Delta s \text{ per log cycle } r}$ $S = \frac{0.3Tt}{r_0^2}$  |
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| <u>Recovery Analysis</u><br>Theis (1935)   | $T = \frac{0.183Q}{\Delta s \text{ per log cycle } t / t'}$ <p>                     t = Time Since Pumping Began<br/>                     r = Radial Distance<br/>                     W(u) = Well Function<br/>                     t' = Time Since Pumping Ceased                 </p> | $T = \frac{264Q}{\Delta s \text{ per log cycle } t / t'}$                       |
| T = Transmissivity<br>Q = Flow Rate<br>s = Drawdown<br>S = Storage Coefficient<br>t <sub>0</sub> = Time at Zero Drawdown<br>r <sub>0</sub> = Distance at Zero Drawdown |  |   |