

Section 4-4

2) Calculation of Discharge in confined Aquifer using the formula for Steady radial flow & -

→ Discharge through confined aquifer can be calculated

$$Q = \frac{2.303 Q \log \frac{h}{h_w}}{2\pi m (h - h_w)}$$

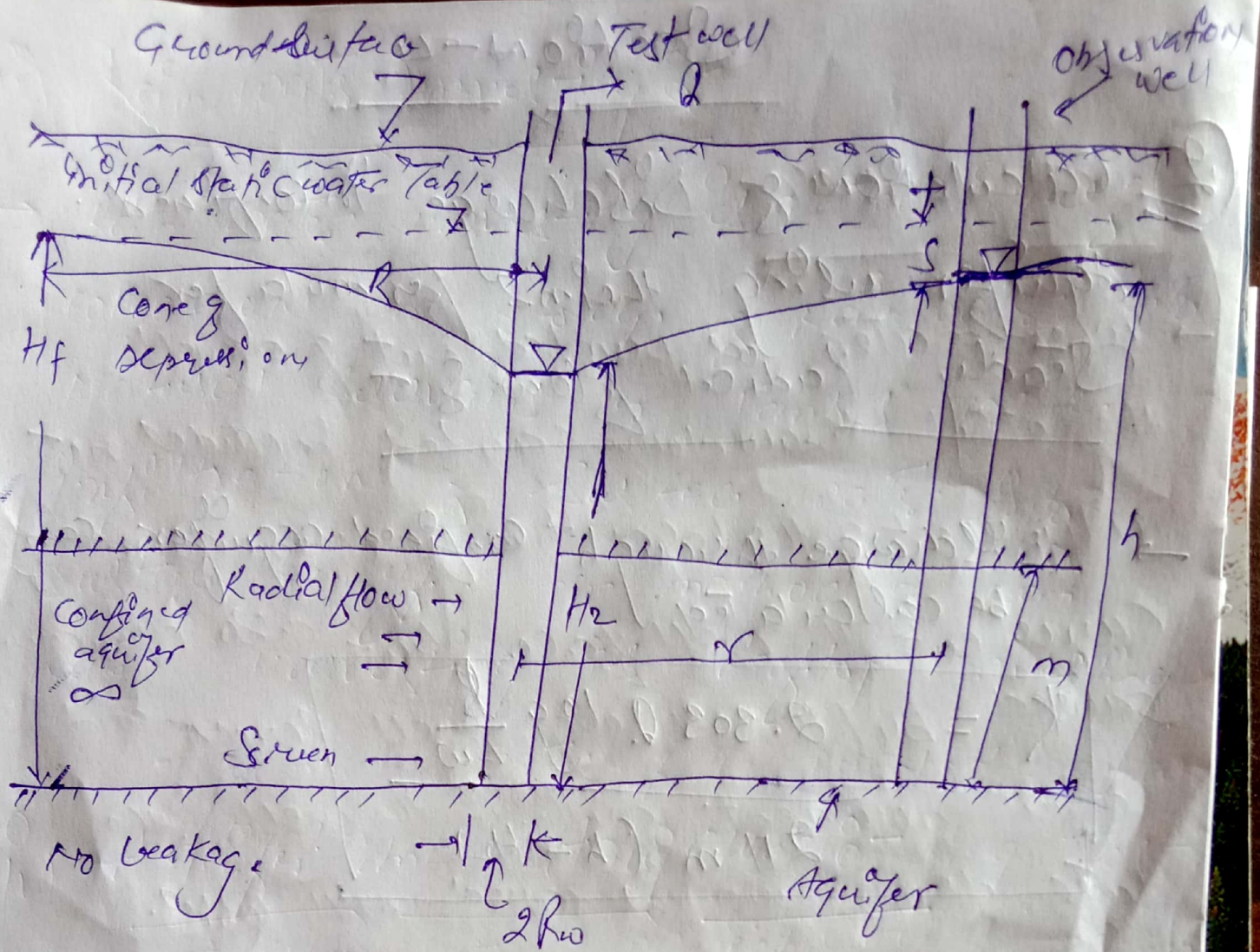
→ Consider that the recharge to aquifer within the influence zone of the pumped well equals the rate of discharge of the well -

where, k = coefficient of permeability.

m = thickness of aquifer

r_w = Radius of the well

T = Transmissibility of aquifer = $k \cdot m$



Radial flow to a well in confined aquifer.

- The above equation is called **Theim's** or **equilibrium equation** and is used to determine piezometric head at any point at a radial distance r from the centre of the well.
- If the piezometric heads in two observation wells say h_1 and h_2 at two points r_1 and r_2 distance radially away respectively

= from the centre of the pumped well are measured. During the pumping test,
→ coefficient of permeability 'K' can be easily calculated.

→ The formula can be written as follows.

($h_2 > h_1$) The above equation & method is popularly called Thieme's method.