



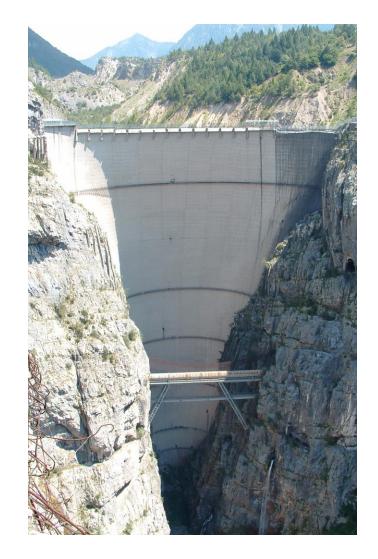




### WHY DAM MONITORING?

The most common causes of failure of operating dams are:

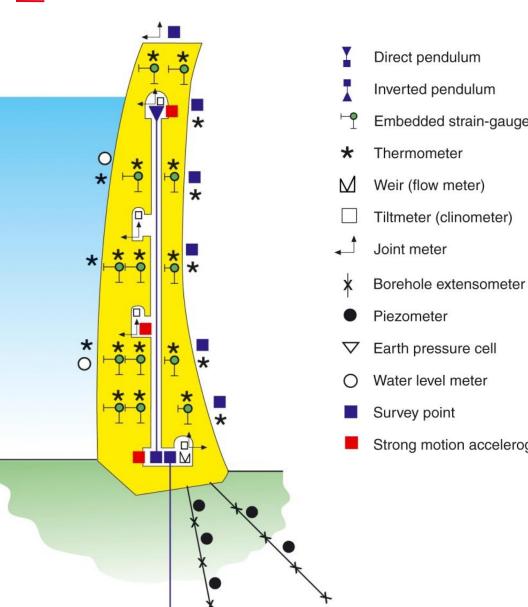
- poor construction materials
- geological instability
- landslide into reservoir
- poor maintenance
- human, computer or design error
- internal erosion (earth-fill dams)
- earthquakes
- → Inadequate monitoring system



Vajont Dam, Italy

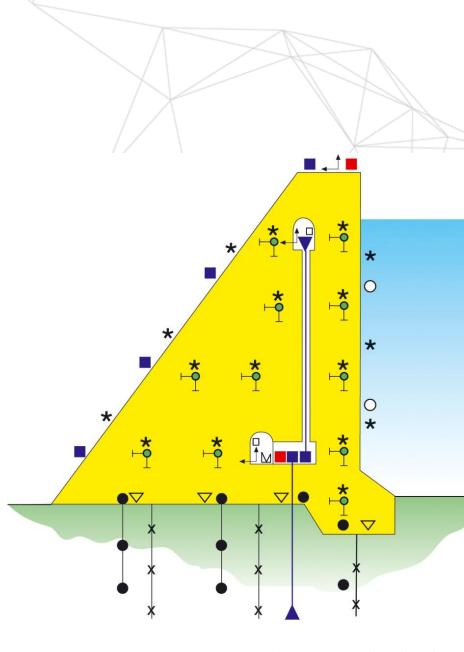


### ARCH AND GRAVITY DAMS

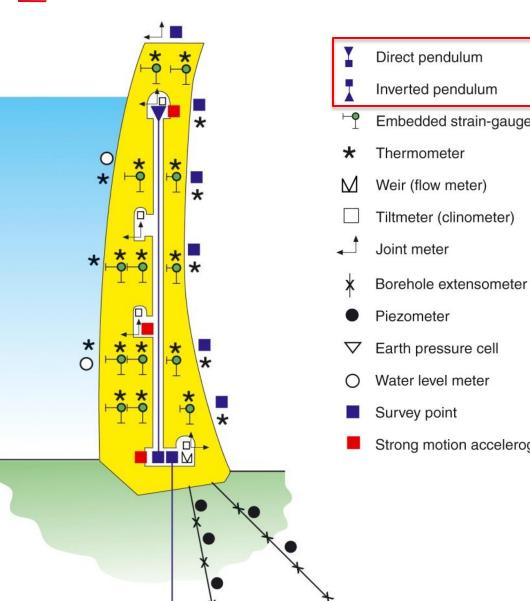


Embedded strain-gauge

Strong motion accelerograph

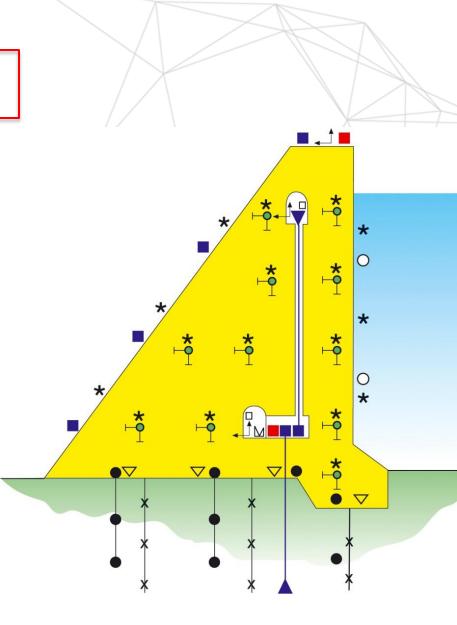


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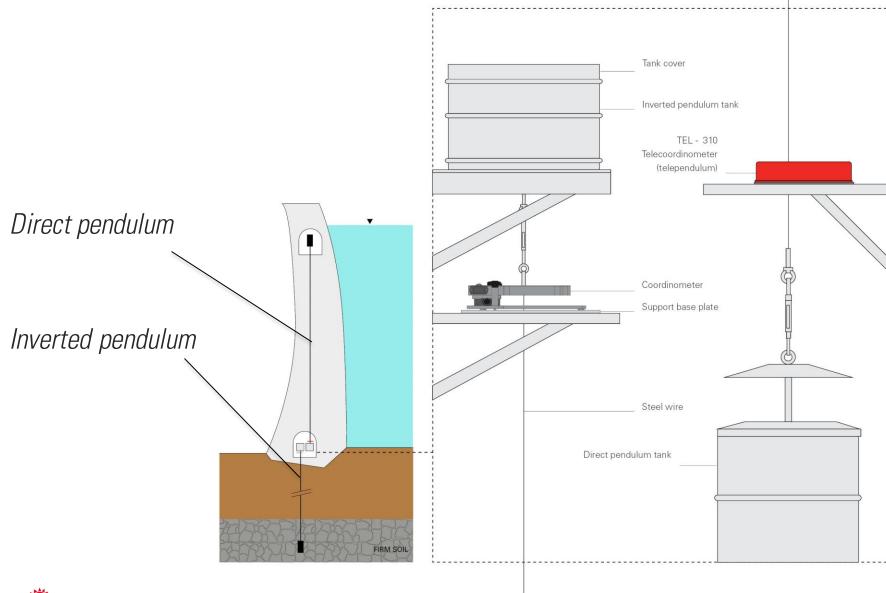


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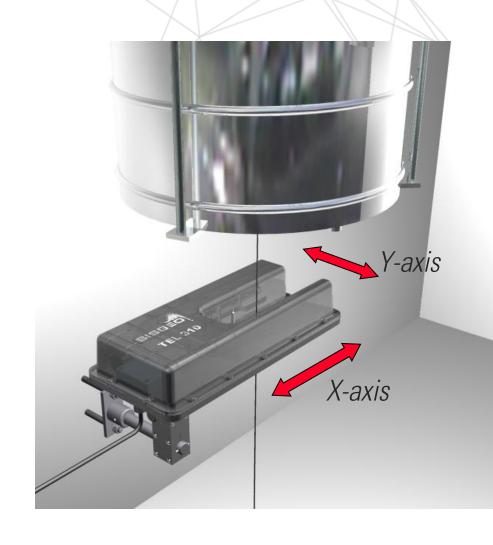
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### TEL-310 TELECOORDINOMETER (TELEPENDULUM)

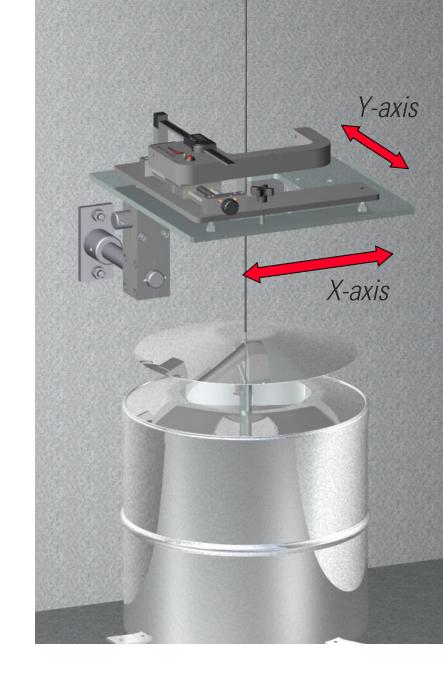
- Wide measuring range: 60x145mm;
- Waterproof components IP68 until 50kPa (5m water head);
- Remote auto-diagnostic through "log file";
- High level built-in software for data elaboration and validation.





### MANUAL COORDINOMETER

- Simple to use
- Removable in order to take readings in different location
- Suitable to substitute TEL310 telecoordinometer under service



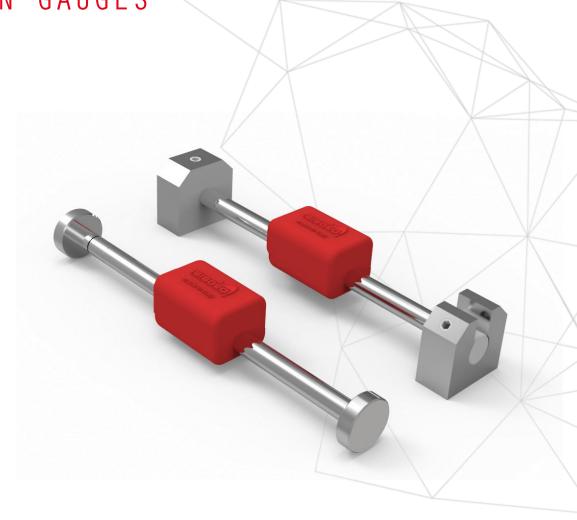


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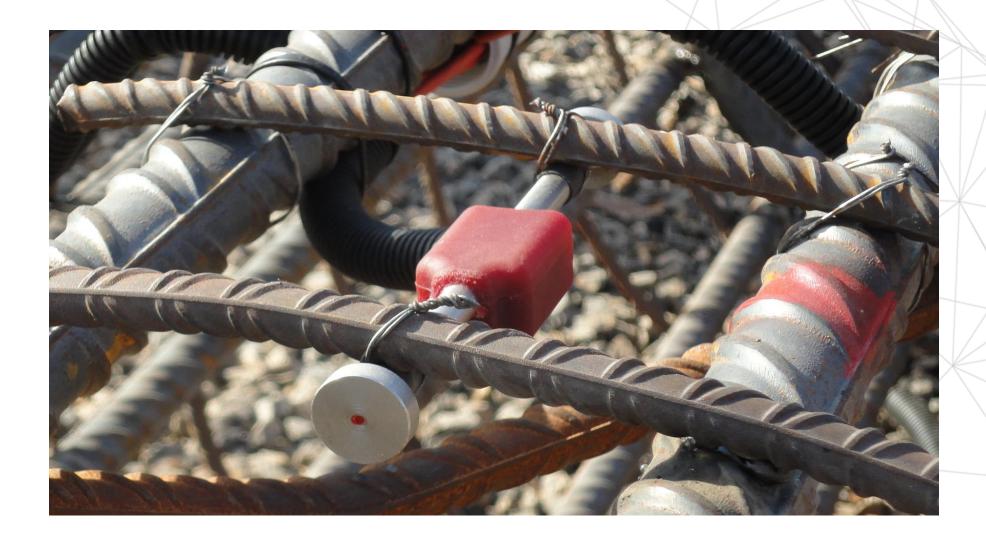
Stress monitoring into concrete structures or on metal supports.

- Arc-weldable model
- Embedment model
- 3-D mounting available





# EMBEDMENT VIBRATING WIRE STRAIN GAUGES



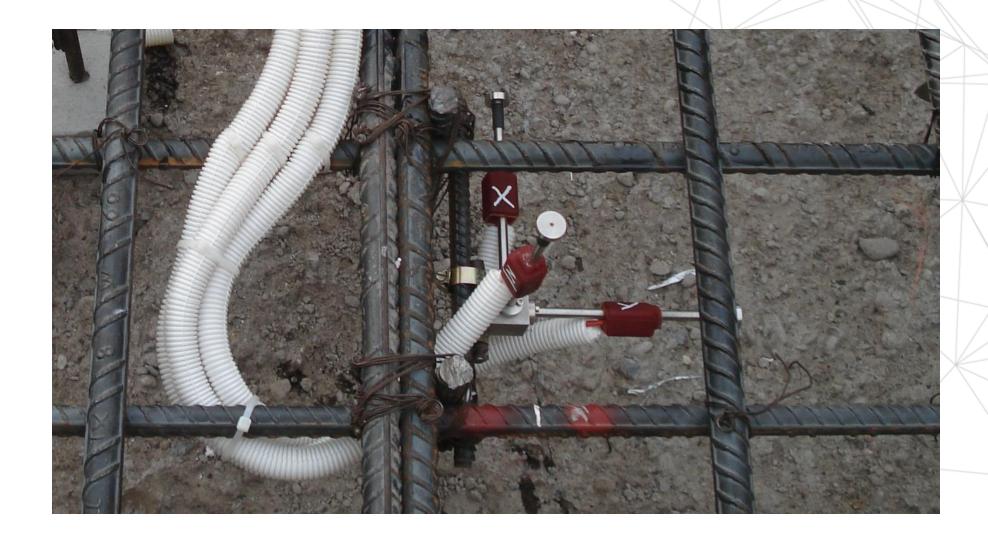


# ARC-WELDABLE VIBRATING WIRE STRAIN GAUGES





### \_\_ 3-D ROSETTE MOUNTING STRAIN GAUGES





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### TEMPERATURE GAUGES

- Concrete curing
- evaluating the influence of thermal effects on the measurements and on the structure which is monitored
- Monitor the water temperature inside boreholes, wells, basin, etc...



All models are housed in a shock resistant stainless steel body to be embedded in concrete.



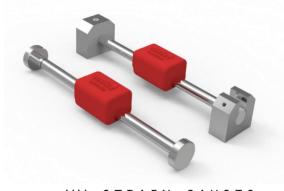
### \_\_ TEMPERATURE GAUGES





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Most Sisgeo's instruments have a built-in temperature sensor (thermistor)



VW STRAIN GAUGES



H-LEVEL SETTLEMENT GAUGES



VW CRACK METERS



VW PIEZOMETERS



MEMS IPIS



MEMS TILT METERS



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Leakage monitoring provides data for evaluation of dam long term stability





### WEIR (FLOW) METERS - V-NOTCHES

# Flow is proportional to H in function of weir JB with OVP staff gauges and channel shape Н min 4H **UPSTREAM BASIN** notch relative pressure transducer



H = water head

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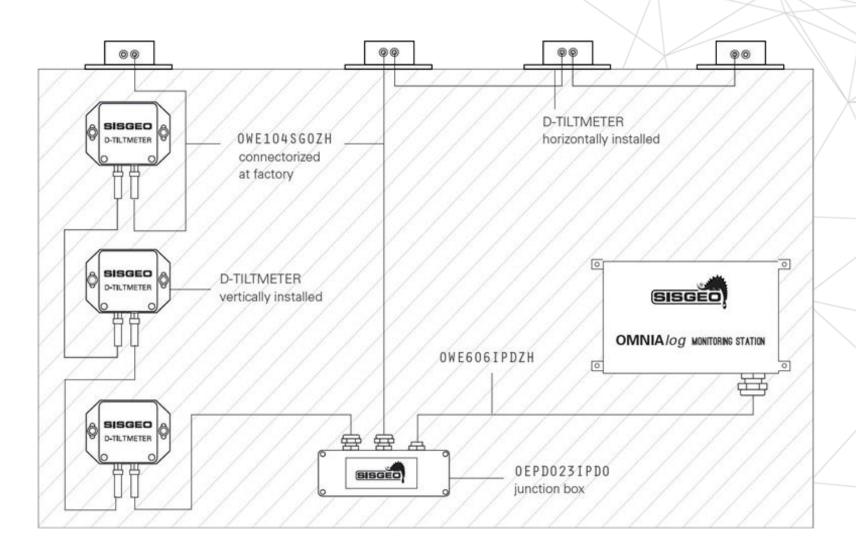
Tilt meters (or surface clinometers) are often used to monitor tilting and rotation on critical point or on a short base length, typically 1, 2 or 3m.

Tilt meters have last developed MEMS technology (self compensated sensor) and are available in both analogue (4-20mA) or digital model (RS485).





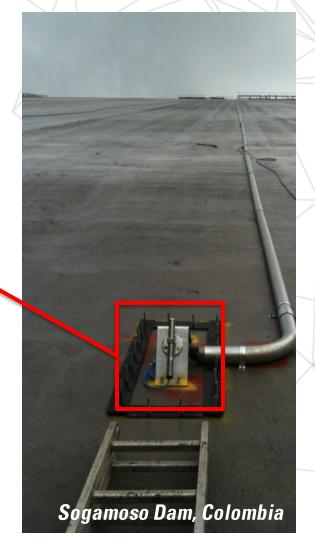
### DIGITAL TILT METERS





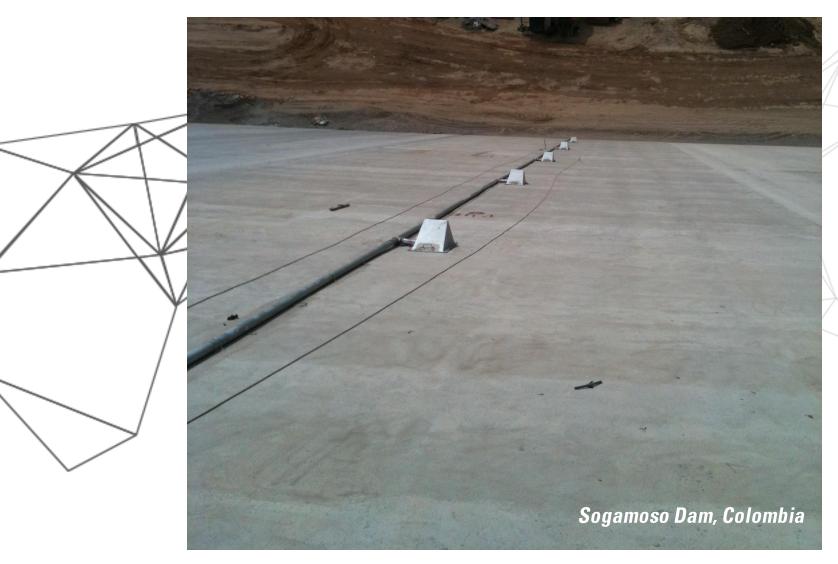
## \_\_\_ IP68 WATERPROOF TILTMETERS ON DAM UP-STREAM







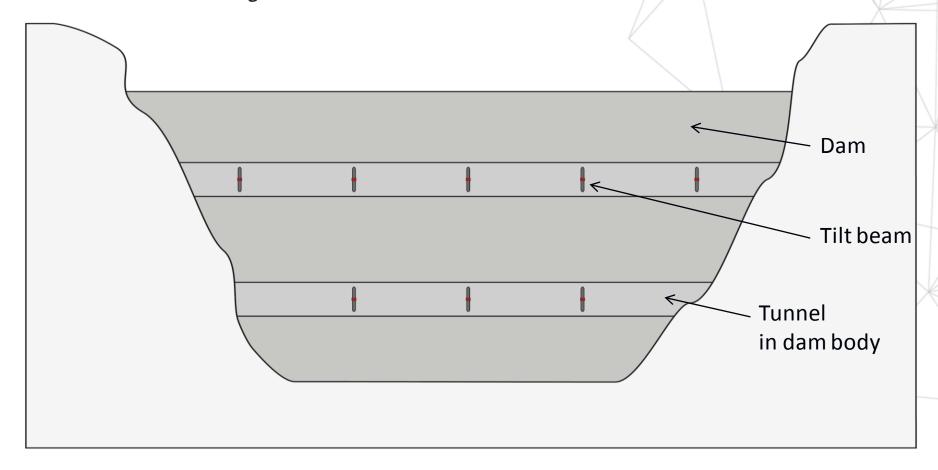
### \_\_ DAM UP-STREAM AFTER INSTALLATIONS





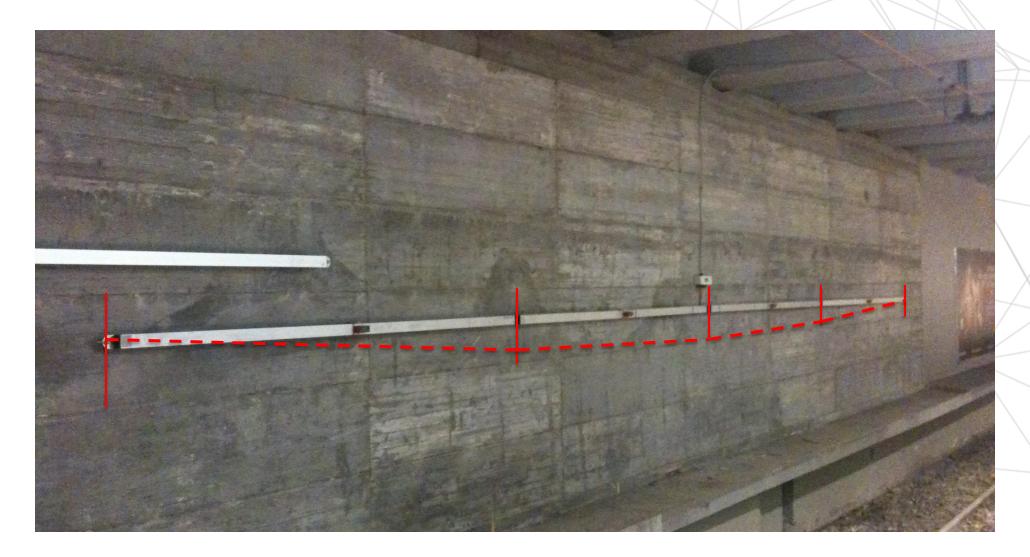
### TILT BEAM (TB) - STAND ALONE APPLICATION

Aim: measure the inclination between two points. Available beam lengths: 1, 2 or 3 meter





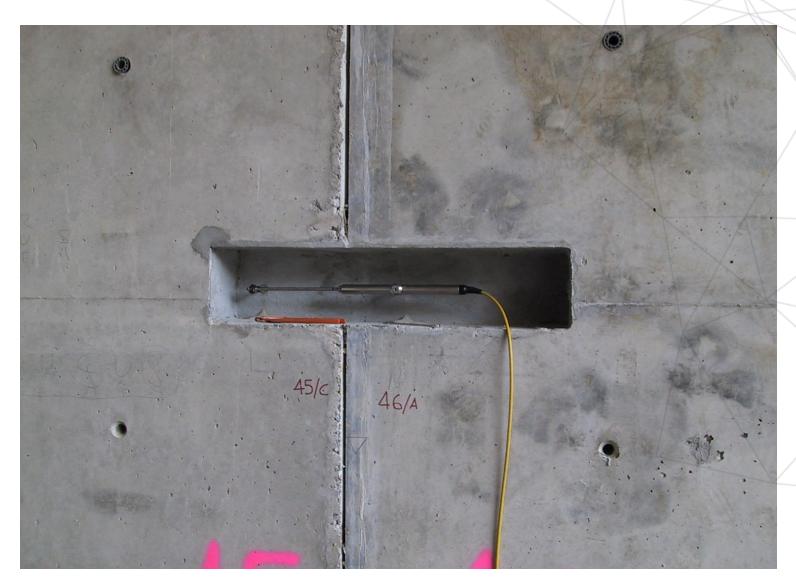
# \_\_ CHAIN OF TILT BEAMS (TB) FOR SETTLEMENT MONITORING





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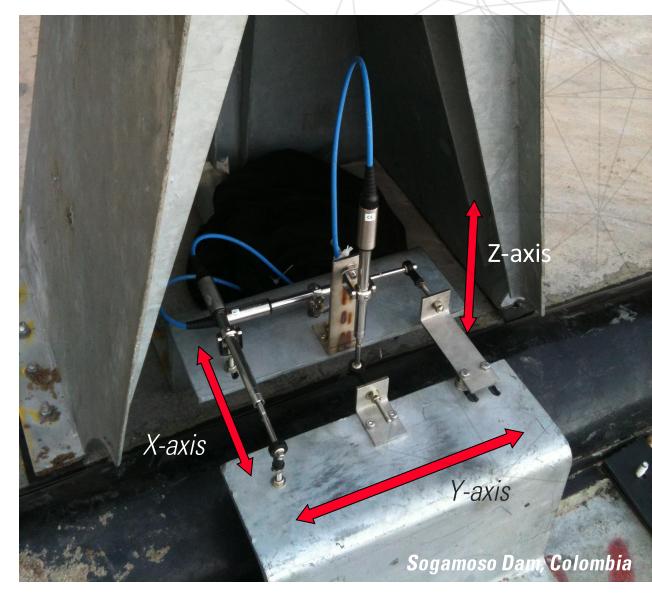
# JOINT METER ON STRUCTURAL JOINT





### 3-D JOINT METERS

With different model of steel supports, joint meters could be installed to measure constructive joint movements in three directions (3-D)





### MULTIPOINT BOREHOLE EXTENSOMETERS (MPBX) Direct pendulum Inverted pendulum Embedded strain-gauge Thermometer \* Weir (flow meter) \* Tiltmeter (clinometer) Joint meter Borehole extensometer \* Piezometer \* Earth pressure cell \* Water level meter \* \* Survey point Strong motion accelerograph $\nabla$

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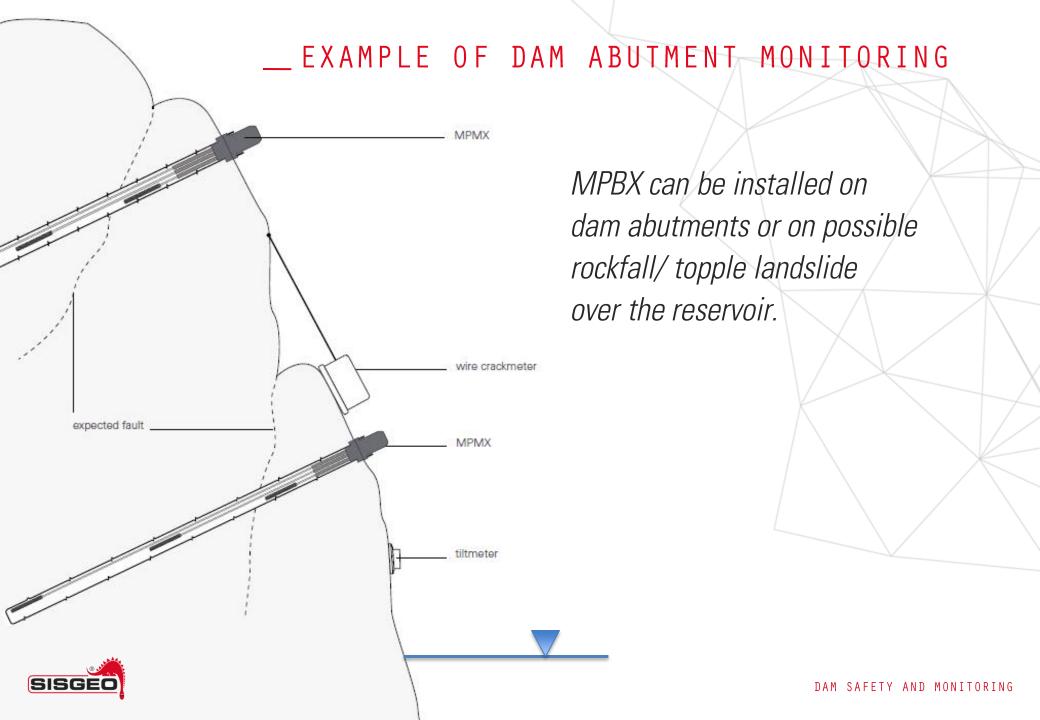
### Available with:

- Fiber Glass rods
- Stainless steel rods



Number of rods for each extensometer: from 2 to 6 (7 points on request)

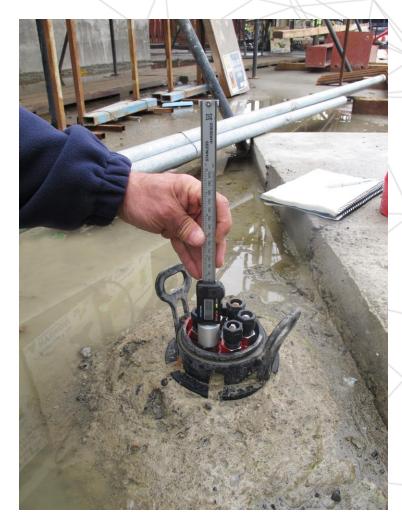




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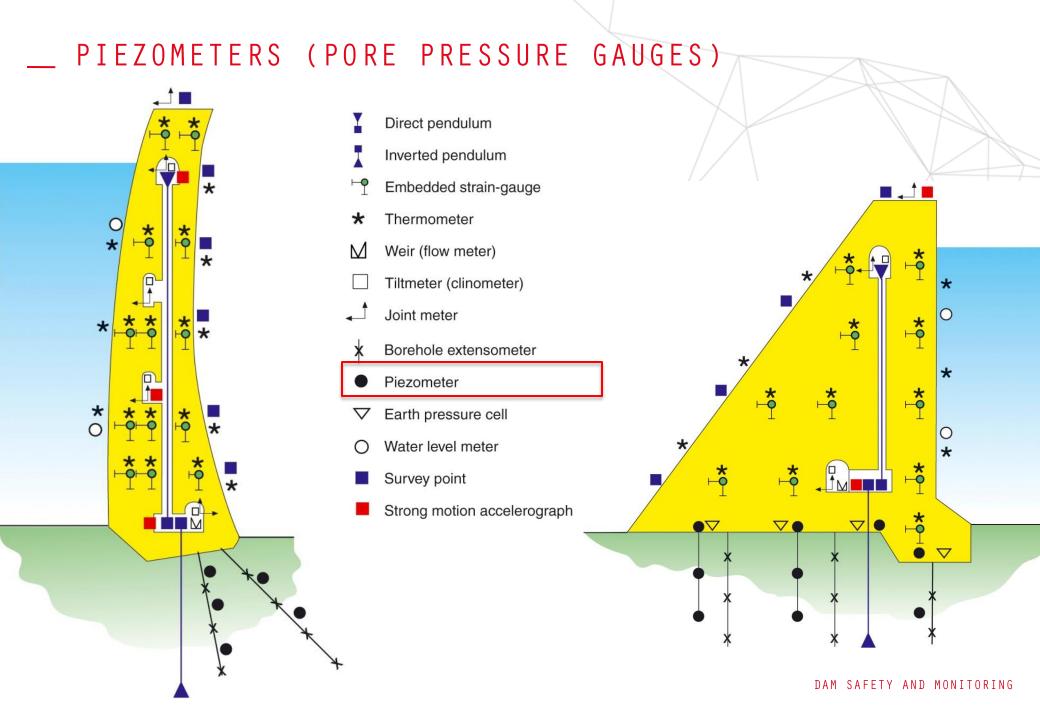


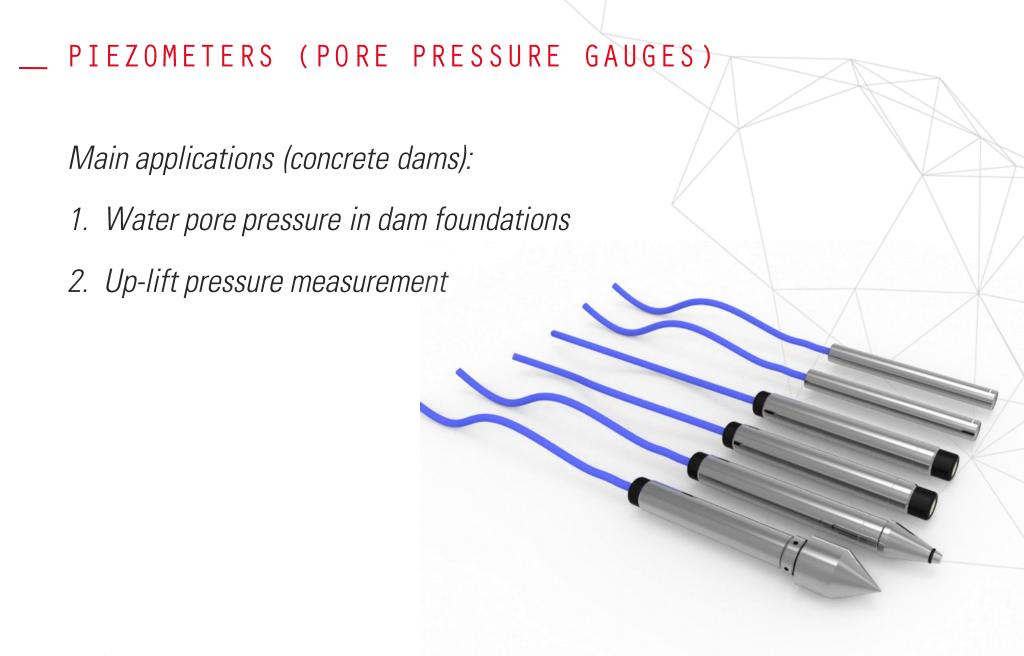
MPBX on dam abutment



MPBX in dam lower tunnel





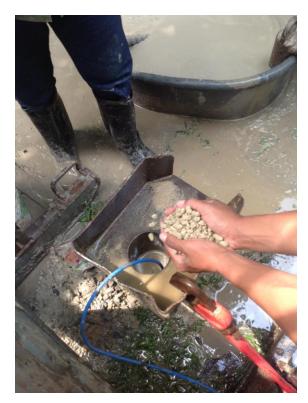




### PORE PRESSURE: INSTALLATION PHASES



Insert the transducer in the borehole



Filling with bentonite pellets (sealing)



Take zero reading



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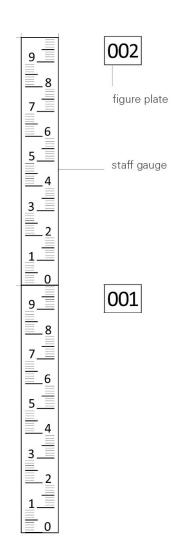
They are installed in order to monitor the pressure applied from the growth of the dam body.

The main application is in earth fill dams or embankments



### WATER LEVEL METER (WATER BASIN LEVEL) Direct pendulum Inverted pendulum Embedded strain-gauge Thermometer \* Weir (flow meter) \* Tiltmeter (clinometer) Joint meter Borehole extensometer \* Piezometer \* Earth pressure cell \* Water level meter \* \* Survey point Strong motion accelerograph DAM SAFETY AND MONITORING

### WATER BASIN LEVEL - STAFF GAUGES







### WATER BASIN LEVEL - ULTRASONIC GAUGE





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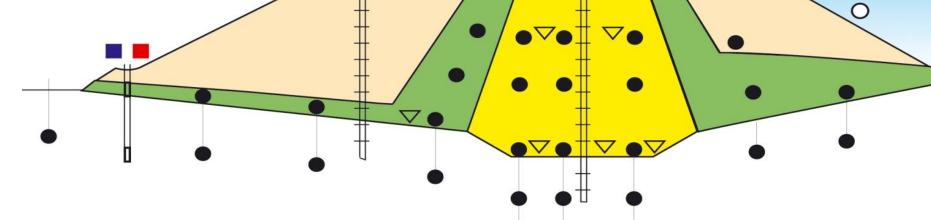
### STRONG MOTION ACCELEROGRAPH





### EMBANKMENT DAMS

- Piezometer (pore pressure)
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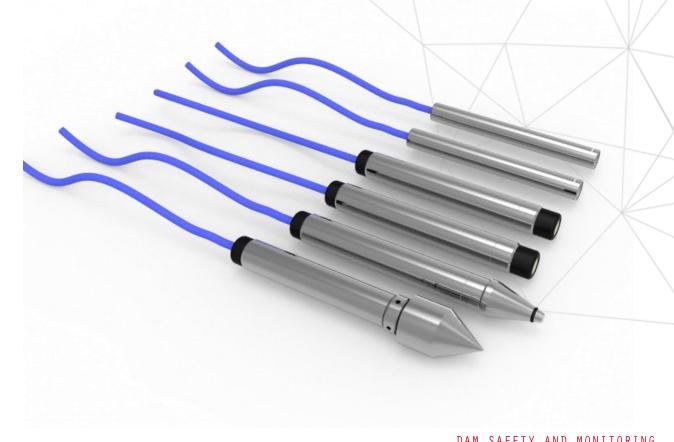
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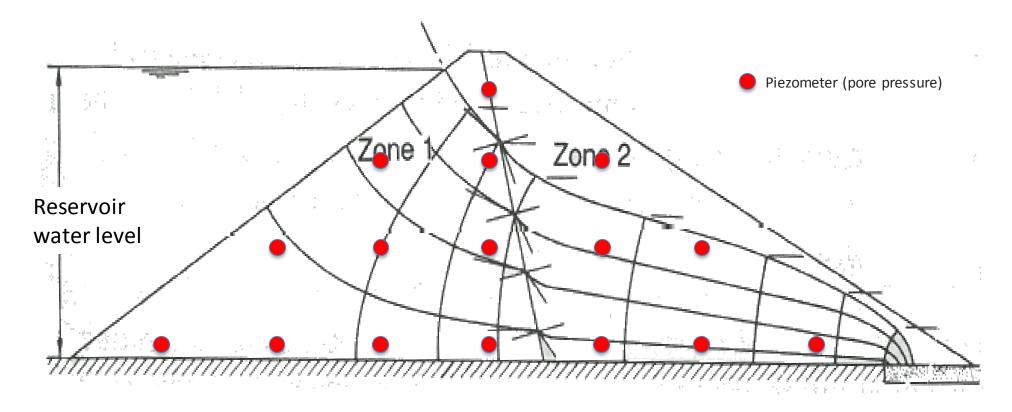
Main application (embankment dam):

Pore pressure behaviour in dam body and foundations





### \_ PIEZOMETERS (PORE PRESSURE)



Example of water filtration in homogeneus embankment dam with drainage. VW piezometer monitor pressure in different points.



### PIEZOMETERS (PORE PRESSURE IN FOUNDATION)





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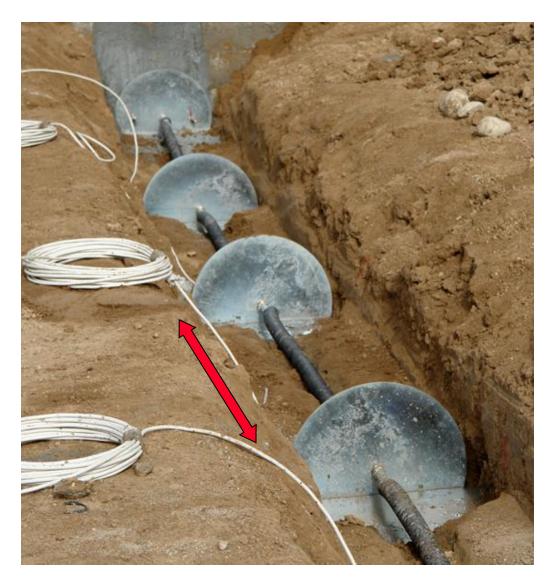




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#### EMBANKMENT EXTENSOMETER



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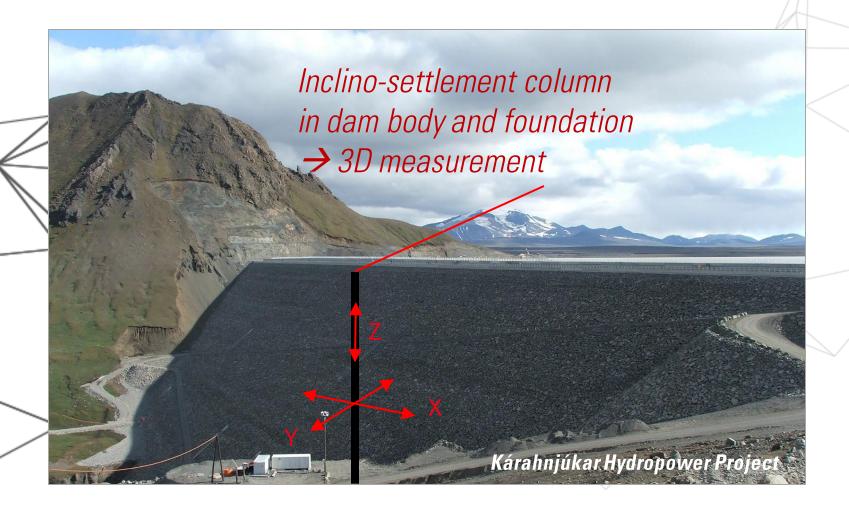
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# INCLINO-SETTLEMENT COLUMN lockable top cap **EMBANKMENT** telescopic section embankment ring **FOUNDATION** spider magnet ring FIRM SOIL datum reference



### INCLINO-SETTLEMENT COLUMN





# INCLINO-SETTLEMENT COLUMN: INCLINOMETER SURVEY





# INCLINO-SETTLEMENT COLUMN: SETTLEMENT MEASUREMENT



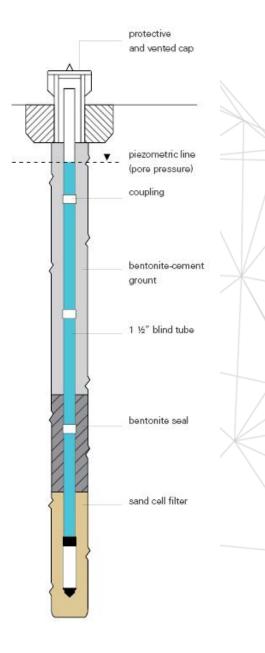


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### WATER LEVEL METER



Relative pressure transducer





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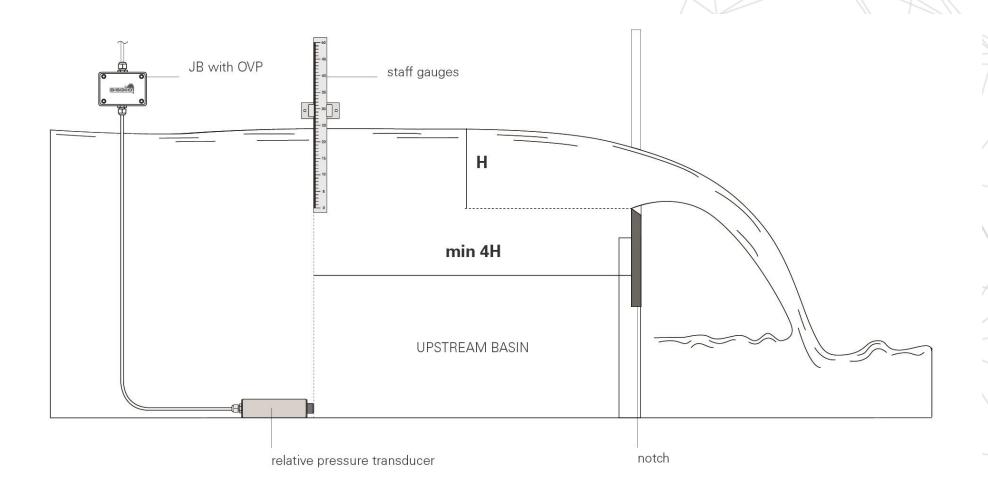
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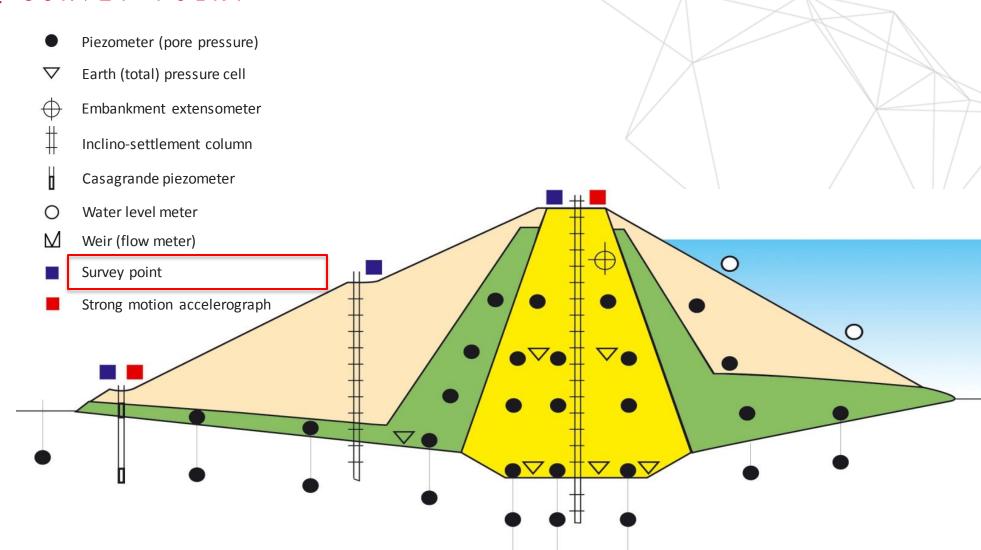


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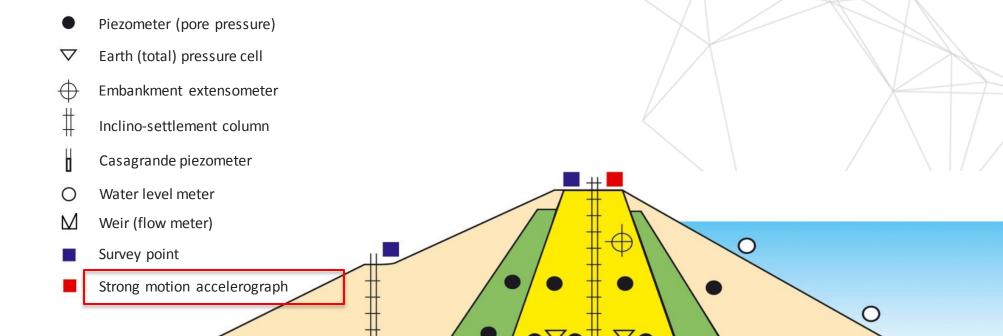
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### SURVEY POINT





### \_\_ STRONG MOTION ACCELEROGRAPH





#### DAM MONITORING: DATA ACQUISITION SYSTEM

Instruments installed in the dam body provide automatic real-time monitoring by means of OMNIAlog datalogger.

With an internet 3G router, OMNIAlog can provide remote system management, data pushing on a server and alarms.



Wadi Daiqa DAM, OMAN



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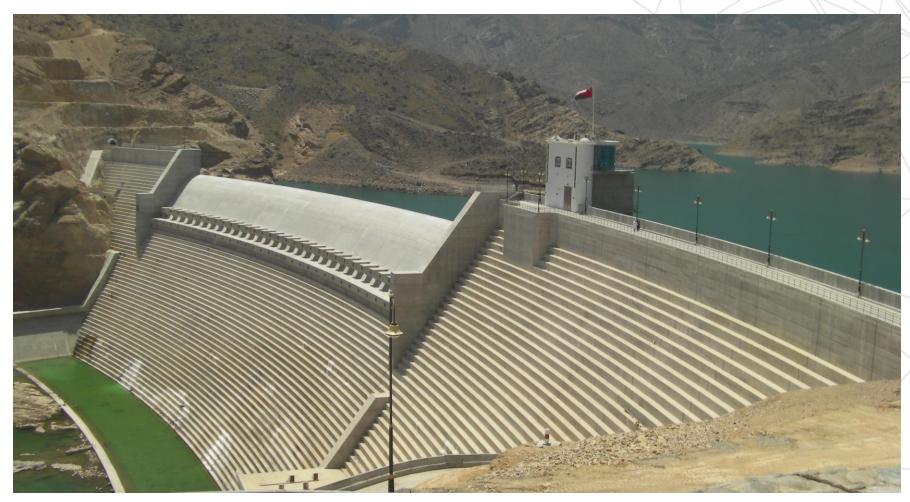
OMNIAlog Module



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#### METEOROLOGICAL STATION



Typical meteorological parameters needed in dam monitoring include:

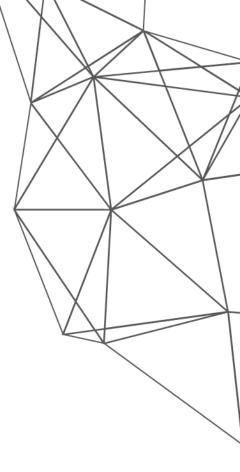
- rain fall
- wind speed and direction
- atmospheric pressure
- air temperature and humidity
- evaporation





### THANKS FOR WATCHING







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