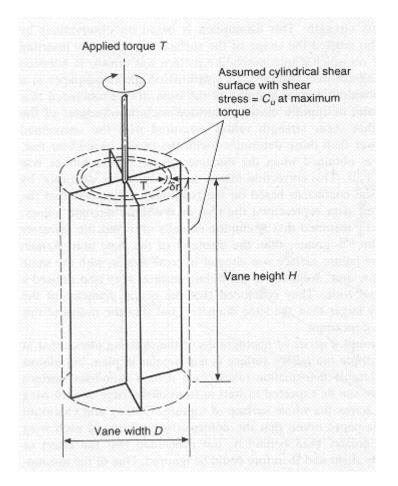
## 3.6 Field Vane Shear Test (FVT)

## (1) General

- To determine undrained strength (+sensitivity) of cohesive soils
- Once the vane has been pushed into the ground, it is rotate at a slow rate (≤0.1 deg/s) with measurement of torsional shear force.



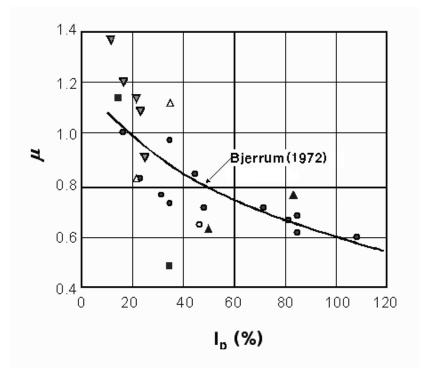
(2) Determination of  $S_u$ 

$$s_u = \frac{M_{\max}}{\frac{\pi D^2 H}{2} + \frac{\pi D^3}{6}}$$

-For a vane blade with H=2D

$$s_u = \frac{T}{3.67D^3}$$

-Correction s<sub>u</sub> with PI



 $s_u' = \mu \cdot s_{u0}$ 

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