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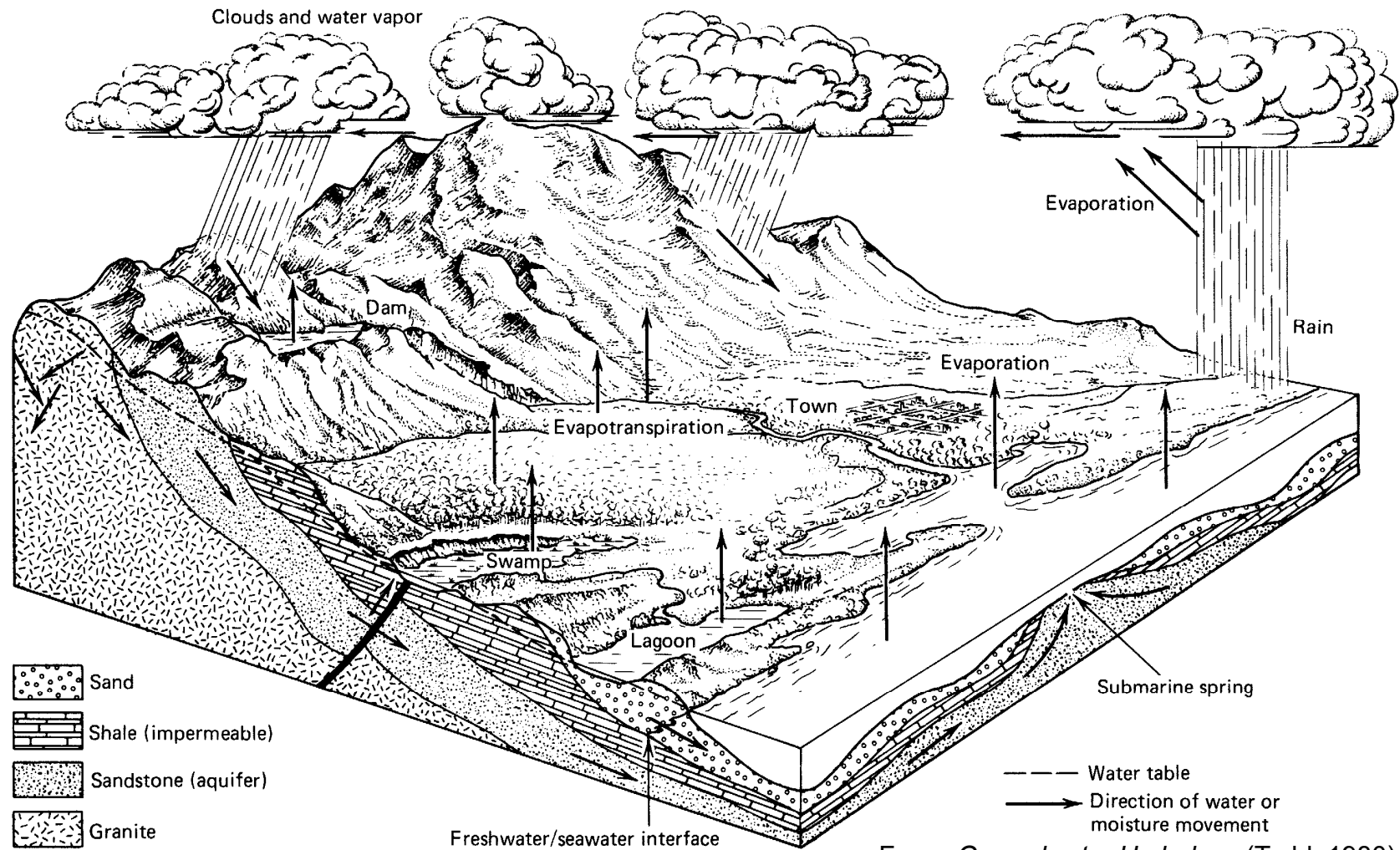


INTRODUCTION TO HYDROGEOLOGY

Surface Water and Groundwater



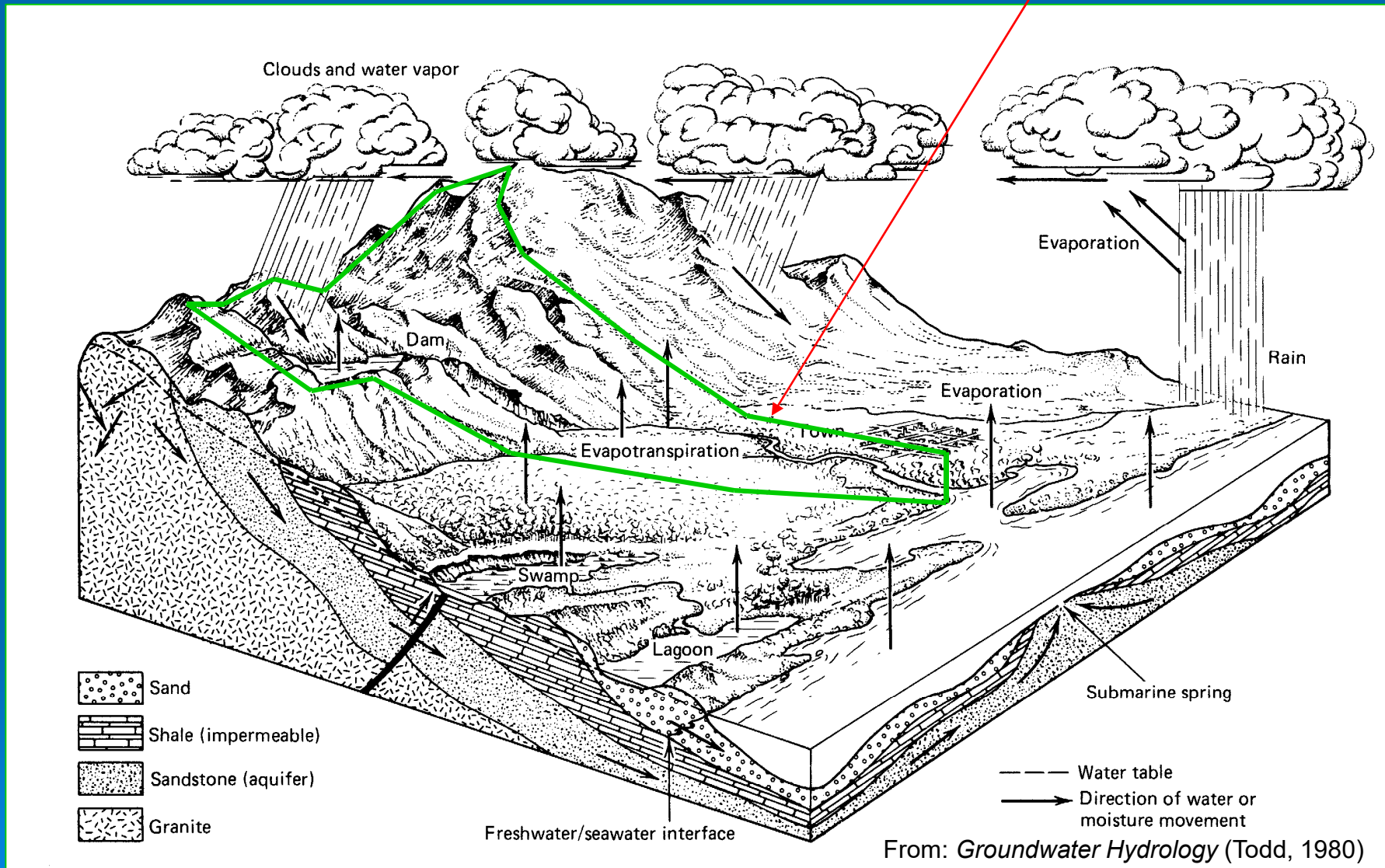
Hydrologic cycle



From: *Groundwater Hydrology* (Todd, 1980)

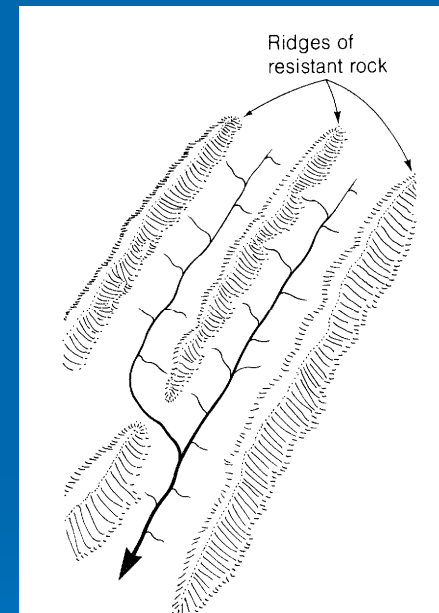
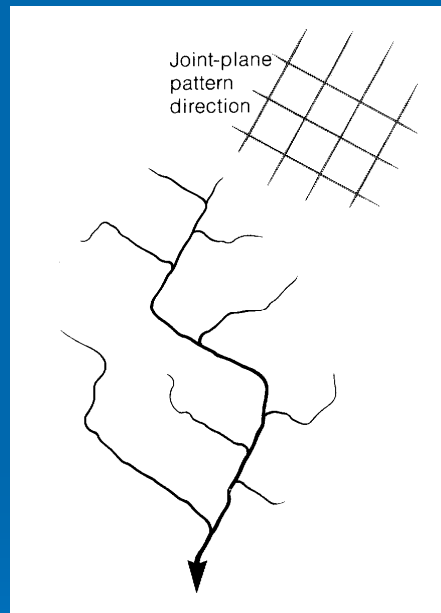
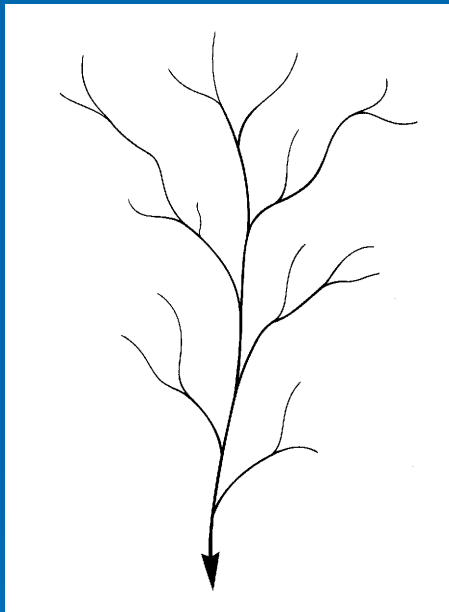
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Drainage basin



Stream Systems

Important to karst since conduits function as streams
Morphology reflects hydrologic and geologic conditions



From : *Earth* (Press & Siever, 1978)

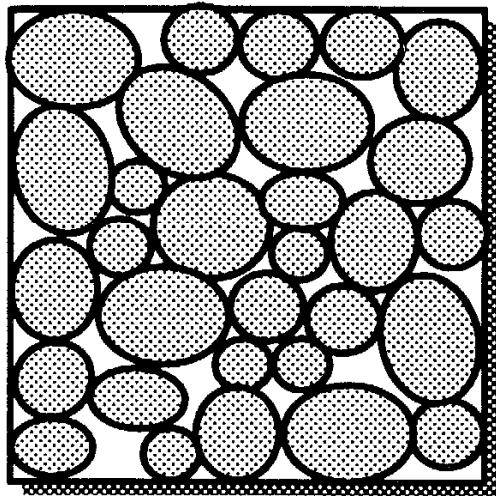
Groundwater

What is an aquifer?

Major types of aquifers: Porous media, fracture, and karst aquifers

Primary Porosity

Sand Aquifer

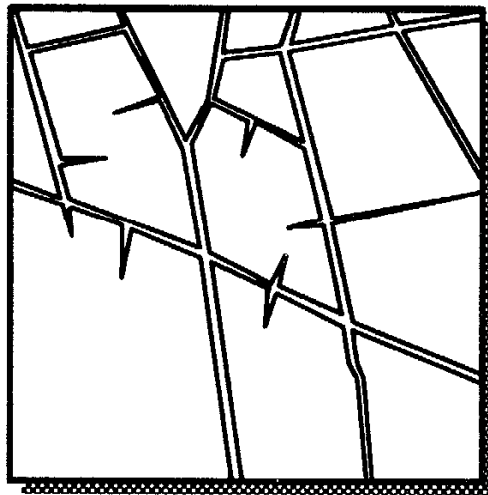


Intergrain Openings

From: *Groundwater: a primer* (Moore et al., 1995)

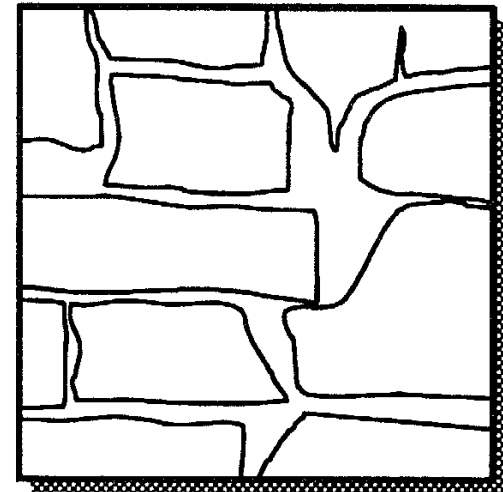
Secondary Porosity

Granite Aquifer



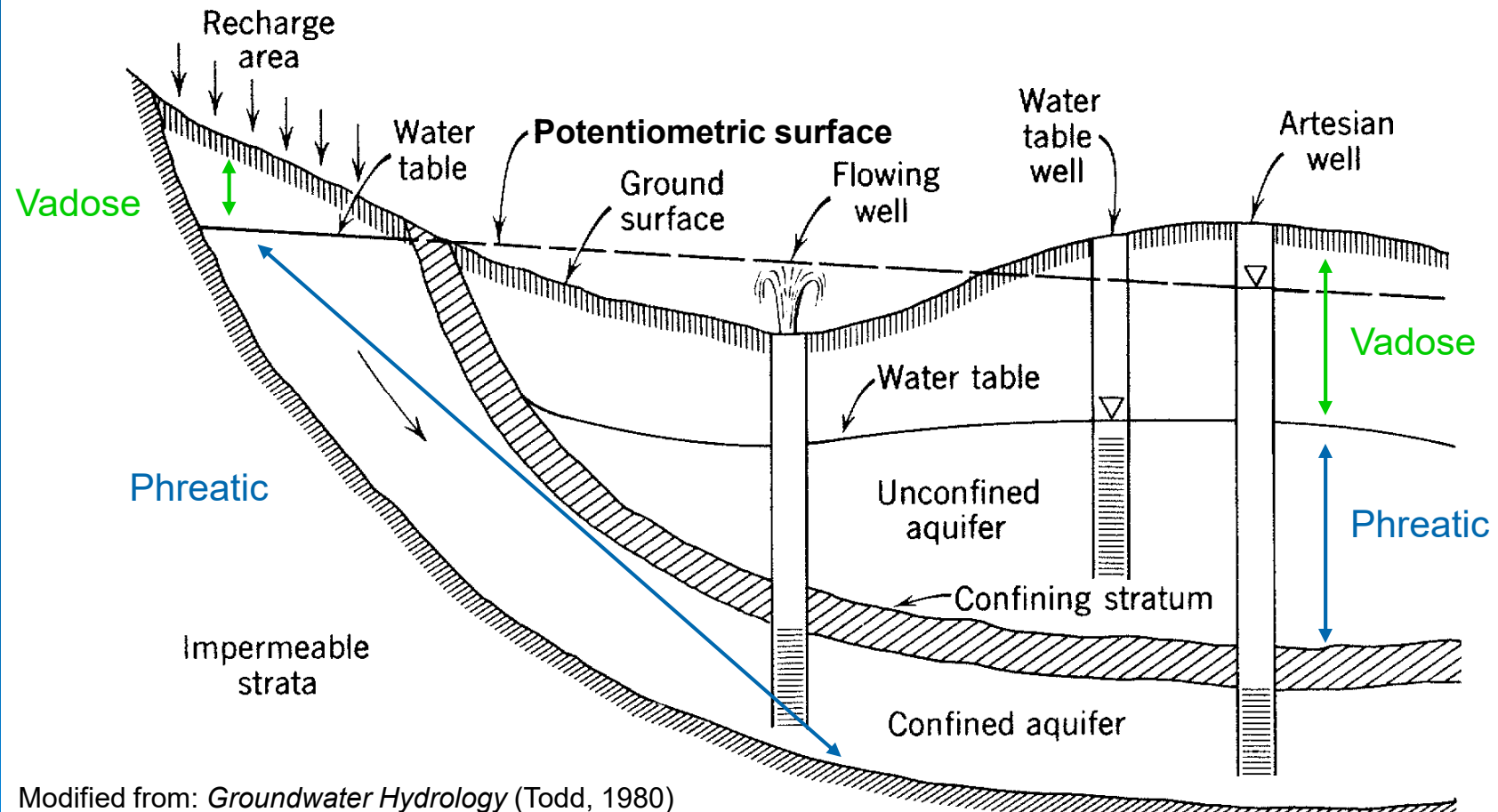
Fracture Openings

Limestone Aquifer

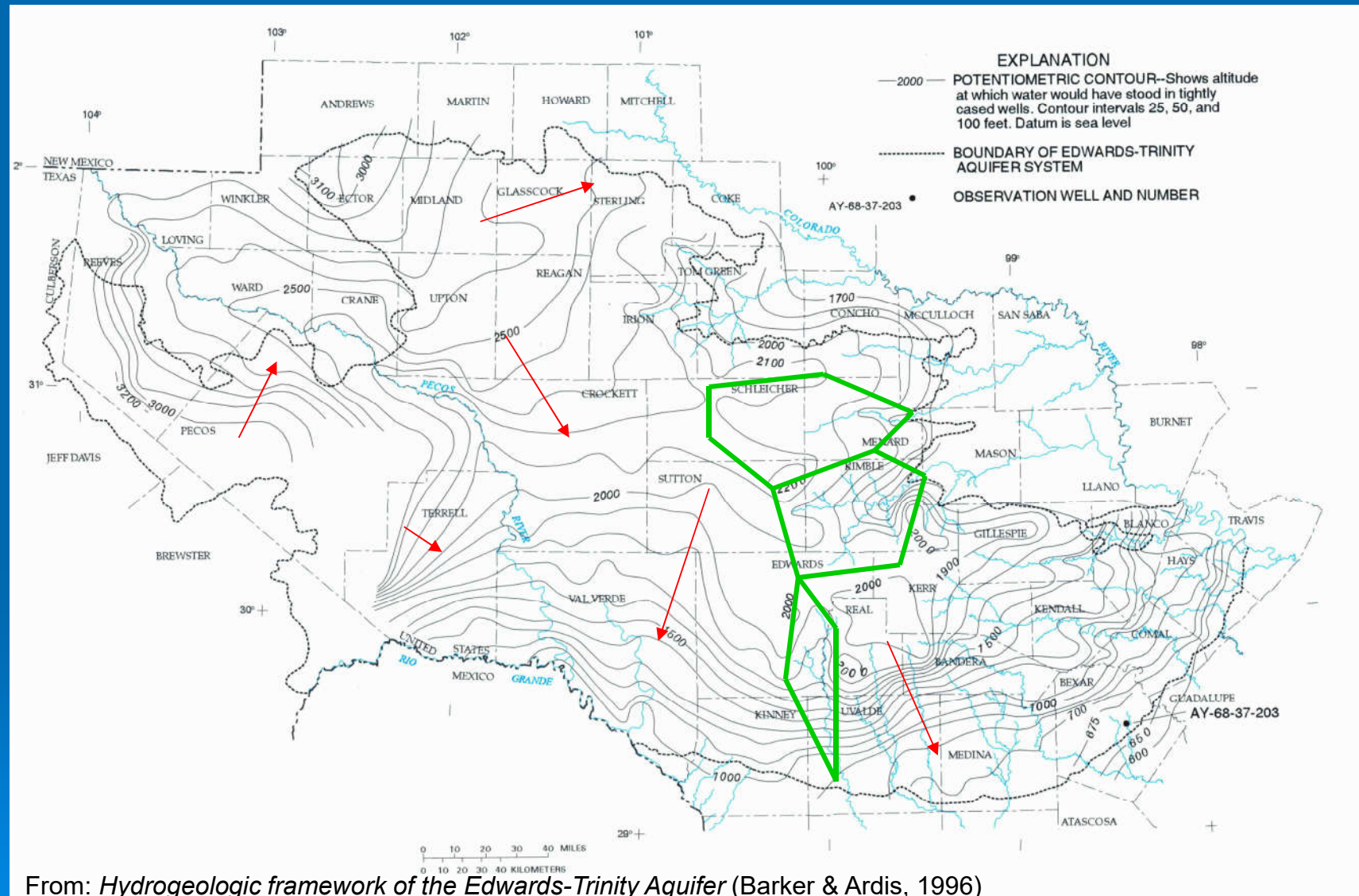


Solution Openings

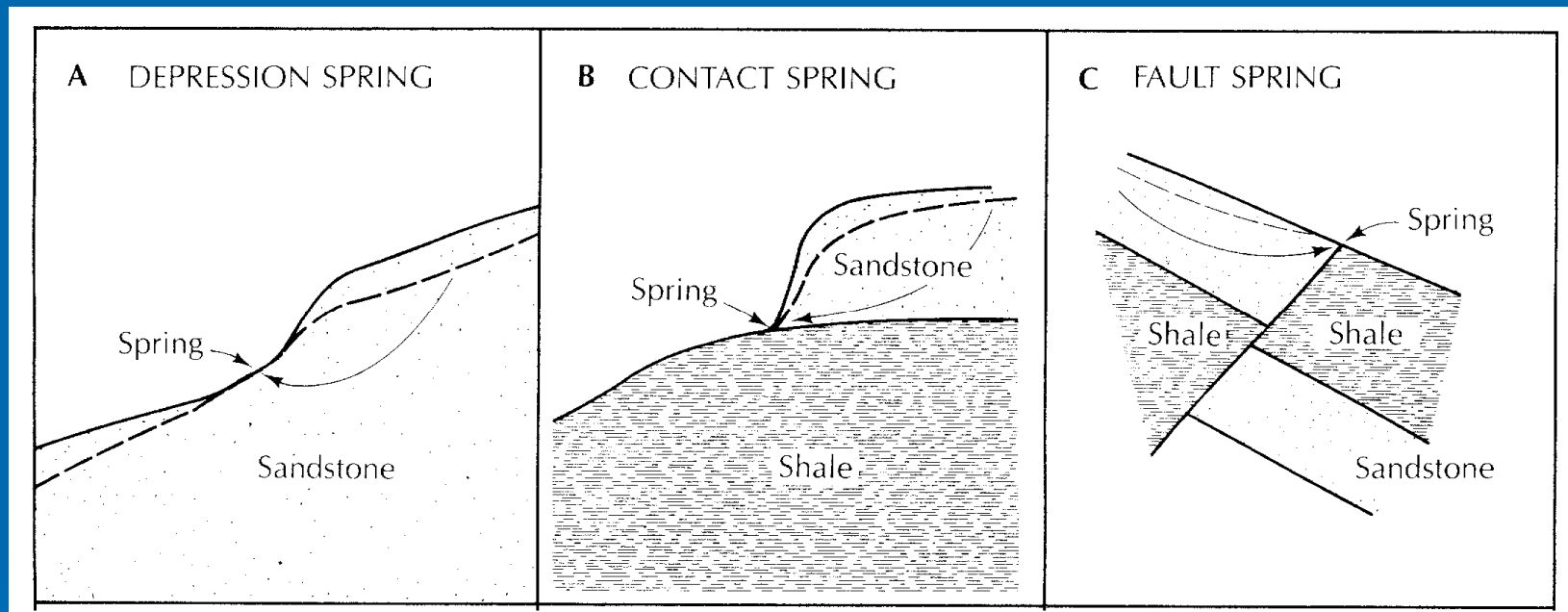
Aquifer types, zones, and surfaces



Water table map: groundwater flows perpendicular to the contours



Spring locations: determined by topography and/or geology



Water budget

$$\text{Precipitation} = \text{ET} + \text{Infiltration} + \text{Runoff}$$

