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Graphical symbols for use on detailed maps, plans and geological cross-sections – Part III : Representation of magmatic rocks

1 SCOPE AND FIELD OF APPLICATION

This International Standard provides a series of symbols and ornaments for the representation of magmatic rocks on detailed maps, especially large-scale maps, plans and geological cross-sections.

The symbols may be divided in two groups :

- 1) main types;
- 2) varia.

They are reproduced in two tables which, being derived from a logical system, may be completed easily in case of need.

2 MAIN TYPES

2.1 Principles of representation (see table 1)

The table of the main types comprises plutonic and volcanic rocks.

2.1.1 In the first column are given the plutonic rocks subdivided into eight groups, essentially according to their silica content. For each of the groups 1 to 6 two basic symbols are indicated beside column 1, under the letters *a* and *b*, while only one basic symbol is assigned to each of groups 7 and 8. Two basic symbols have been kept for the first six groups to allow, where it seems desirable, on the same sheet, the representation of rocks of similar petrographic composition but of different age, for example.

When a more detailed subdivision of the main types is required, the symbols assigned to various groups are slightly modified (see column 2 for groups 3, 4, 6 and 7). If the differentiation is to be taken still further, suitable additional symbols are to be used.

2.1.2 The dyke rocks which correspond to plutonic rocks are to be represented by the same symbols as the plutonic rocks. Special symbols for those dyke rocks are unnecessary; it is sufficient to put the respective plutonic rock symbols between the two lines which delimit the dyke. Sill rocks are represented in the same way.

2.1.3 Column 3 is reserved for volcanic rocks. The subdivision corresponds to that of the plutonic rocks.

2.2 Individual symbols

A distinction in the grain size of rocks can be shown by the smaller or greater size of the individual symbols, for example, the difference between coarse-grained syenite and fine-grained syenite can be indicated by the difference in size of the same symbol (see figures 1 and 2).

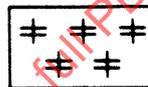


FIGURE 1 – Coarse-grained syenite

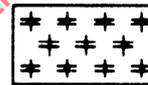


FIGURE 2 – Fine-grained syenite

To indicate porphyritic texture the ordinary symbol is replaced at intervals by a larger symbol (see figure 3).

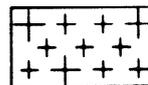


FIGURE 3 – Porphyritic granite or granite porphyry

2.2.1 Plutonic and volcanic rocks

The symbols representing plutonic rocks are derived from a cross (+) or a letter "Y" (see figure 4).

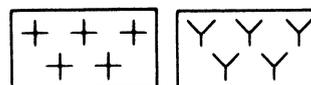


FIGURE 4 – Plutonic rocks

The symbols representing volcanic rocks are derived from a right angle placed on its point (∨) (see figure 5).

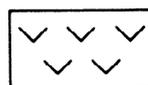


FIGURE 5 – Volcanic rocks

These basic symbols are varied in the same way according to the silica content of the rocks (see table 1).

TABLE 1 — Main types

PLUTONIC ROCKS						VOLCANIC ROCKS			
1	a	b	2		a	b	3		
Rock group	Group Symbol		More differentiated rock types		Symbol		Rock types	Symbol	
1	Alkali-granite					Alkali-rhyolite			
2	Very acid granite					Leucorhyolite			
3	Granite			1	Normal granite			Rhyolite (Liparite)	
				2	Granodiorite			Dacite	
				3	Quartz-diorite			Quartz-andesite	
4	Syenite			1	Alkali-syenite			Alkali trachyte	
				2	Syenite			Trachyte	
				3	Monzonite			Latite	
5	Diorite					Andesite			
6	Gabbro			1	Gabbro			Basalt	
				2	Norite				
				3	Anorthosite				
7	Feldspathoidal plutonic rocks			1	Nepheline-syenite		Phonolite		
				2	Essexite/Theralite		Tephrite		
				3	Ijolite		Feldspathoidal basalt		
8	Ultrabasic rock						Picrite Picrite-basalt		

2.2.2 Alkaline rocks

In the symbols for alkaline rocks, with the exception of feldspathoidal rocks, an open space is always left at the point of intersection of the lines.

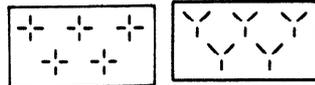


FIGURE 6 – Alkali granite



FIGURE 7 – Alkali trachyte

2.2.3 Very acid rocks

To indicate the very acid character of a rock, a point is placed at the centre of the symbol, the lines being interrupted around the point of intersection. This point indicates the high content of quartz. Figure 8 is an example.

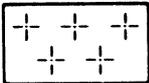


FIGURE 8 – Highly acid granite

2.2.4 Feldspathoidal rocks

The symbols are always asymmetrical, as, for example, in figure 9.

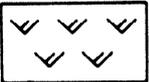


FIGURE 9 – Phonolite

2.2.5 Basic and ultrabasic rocks

With increasing basicity, the lines are thickened so that the darker appearance of the rock is reflected in the symbol. The ratio of the width of thin and thick lines shall be 1 : 3.

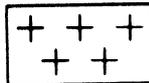


FIGURE 10 – Granite

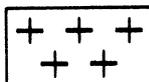


FIGURE 11 – Diorite

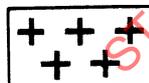


FIGURE 12 – Gabbro

The various types of ultrabasic rocks can be represented by the greater or lesser length of lines in relation to the black square, for example

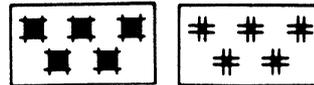


FIGURE 13 – Ultrabasic rocks

2.2.6 Paleo-volcanic and neo-volcanic rocks

Where it seems desirable to distinguish paleo-volcanic rocks from neo-volcanic rocks, the symbol for the former is underlined (see figures 14 and 15).

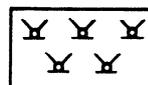


FIGURE 14 – Silicious porphyrite (ancient)



FIGURE 15 – Dacite (recent)

3 VARIA

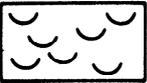
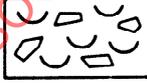
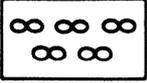
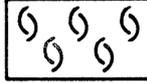
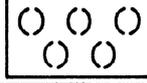
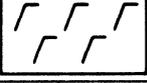
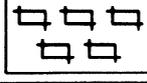
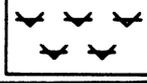
3.1 Principles of representation (see table 2)

Table 2 "Varia" is a complement to table 1 "Main types" (see clause 2). It contains symbols for magmatic rocks which are hardly suitable for the system used in the case of main types.

The table is subdivided into four different groups containing :

- a) symbols for tuffs;
- b) symbols for lavas and volcanic glasses;
- c) symbols for dyke rocks;
- d) symbols for miscellaneous volcanic rocks.

TABLE 2 - Varia

TUFFS					
101	Unconsolidated tuff (volcanic ash)		102	Tuffite (consolidated)	
103	Crystal tuff (unconsolidated)		104	Volcanic breccia (unconsolidated)	
105	Ignimbrite		106		
LAVAS AND VOLCANIC GLASSES					
201	Pumiceous Lava		202	Obsidian	
203	Perlite		204	Pumice	
DYKE ROCKS					
301	Pegmatite		302	Lamprophyre	
303	Quartz vein		304	Carbonatite	
MISCELLANEOUS VOLCANIC ROCKS					
401	Quartz-keratophyre		402	Keratophyre	
403	Diabase		404	Spilitic volcanic rocks	