

## Local calibration of bulk density models for agricultural soils in an inter-Andean valley of the Peruvian Central Highlands

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### SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIALS

Table S1 compiles 66 pedotransfer functions (PTFs) and empirical models developed under different pedoclimatic conditions, relating BD to variables such as organic carbon (OC/OM), textural fractions (sand, silt, and clay), and, in some cases, soil depth. These equations provide a reference framework for comparing the performance of the locally calibrated models developed for the studied inter-Andean valley.

**Table S1** Empirical equations reported in the literature for estimating soil bulk density (BD)

Nº	Author (Year)	Equation
1	Abdelkader (2016) <sup>[1]</sup>	$BD = 1.449 \times e^{(-0.03 \times OC)}$
2	Adams (1973) <sup>[2]</sup>	$BD = \frac{100}{\frac{OM}{0.244} + \frac{100 - OM}{1.27}}$
3	Akpa et al. (2016) <sup>[3]</sup>	$BD = 1.177 + 0.00263 \times Sa - 0.0439 \times \ln(Si) + 0.00208 \times Si$
4	Alexander (1980) upland <sup>[4]</sup>	$BD = 1.66 - 0.308 \times \sqrt{OC}$
5	Alexander (1980) alluvial <sup>[4]</sup>	$BD = 1.72 - 0.294 \times \sqrt{OC}$
6	Al-Qinna & Jaber (2013) <sup>[5]</sup>	$BD = 1.228 - 0.155 \times \log_{10}(OC) + 0.008 \times Sa$
7	Benites et al. (2007) <sup>[6]</sup>	$BD = 1.5688 - 0.0005 \times (Cl \times 10) - 0.009 \times (OC \times 10)$
8	Bernoux et al. (1998) <sup>[7]</sup>	$BD = 1.398 - 0.0047 \times Cl - 0.042 \times OC$
9	Beutler et al. (2017) <sup>[8]</sup>	$BD \left( 1.6179 - 0.018 \times (C + 1)^{0.46} - 0.0398 \times (OC^{0.55}) \right)^{1.33}$

10	Botula et al. (2015) <sup>[9]</sup>	$BD = 1.64581 - 0.00632 \times Cl - 0.0016 \times Sa - 0.0158 \times OC$
11	Calhoun et al. (2001) <sup>[10]</sup>	$BD = 1.673 - 0.071 \times OC - 0.0017 \times Si - 0.003 \times Cl$
12	Cienciala et al. (2006) <sup>[11]</sup>	$BD = \frac{100}{\frac{OM}{0.244} + \frac{100 - OM}{1.41}}$
13	Curtis & Post (1964) <sup>[12]</sup>	$\log_{10}(BD \times 100) = 2.09963 - 0.00064 \times \log_{10}(OM) - 0.22302 \times (\log_{10}(OM))^2$
14	De Vos et al. (2005b) <sup>[13]</sup>	$BD = 1.775 - 0.173 \times \sqrt{OM}$
15	Drew (1973) <sup>[14]</sup>	$BD = \frac{1}{0.6286 + 0.0361 \times OM}$
16	Eschner et al. (1957) <sup>[15]</sup>	$BD = 1.8014 - 0.8491 \times \log_{10}(OM + 2) + 0.0026 \times Cl$
17	Federer (1983) <sup>[16]</sup>	$BD = e^{\left(-2.314 - 1.0788 \times \ln\left(\frac{OM}{100}\right) - 0.1132 \times \left(\ln\left(\frac{OM}{100}\right)\right)^2\right)}$
18	Federer et al. (1993) <sup>[17]</sup>	$BD = \frac{0.111 \times 1.45}{\left(\frac{1.45 \times OM}{100}\right) + 0.111 \times \left(\frac{1 - OM}{100}\right)}$
19	Grigal et al. (1989) <sup>[18]</sup>	$BD = 0.075 + 1.301 \times e^{(-0.06 \times OM)}$
20	Hallett et al. (1998) <sup>[19]</sup>	$BD = 1.46 + 0.0254 \times \ln(Cl) + 0.0279 \times \ln(Sa) - 0.261 \times \ln(OC)$
21	Harrison & Boccock (1981) <sup>[20]</sup>	$BD = 1.558 - 0.728 \times \log_{10}(OM)$
22	Heuscher et al. (2005) (OC poly) <sup>[21]</sup>	$BD = 1.711 - 0.0487 \times OC^2 + 0.0059 \times OC^3 + 0.002 \times Cl$
23	Heuscher et al. (2005) (texture) <sup>[21]</sup>	$BD = 1.674 - 0.31 \times \sqrt{OC} + 0.015 \times Cl - 0.000241 \times Si^2$
24	Hollis et al. (2012) depth <sup>[22]</sup>	$BD = 1.780 - 0.379 \times \sqrt{OM} + 0.00123 \times \text{depth}$
25	Hollis et al. (2012) model 1 <sup>[22]</sup>	$BD = 0.80806 + 0.823844 \times e^{(-0.27993 \times OC)} + 0.0014065 \times Sa - 0.0010299 \times Cl$
26	Hollis et al. (2012) model 2 <sup>[22]</sup>	$BD = 0.69794 + 0.750636 \times e^{(-0.230355 \times OC)} + 0.0008687 \times Sa - 0.0005164 \times Cl$
27	Hollis et al. (2012) model 3 <sup>[22]</sup>	$BD = 1.4903 - 0.33293 \times \ln(OC)$
28	Honeysett & Ratkowsky (1989) <sup>[23]</sup>	$BD = \frac{1}{0.564 + 0.556 \times OM}$
29	Hong et al. (2013) <sup>[24]</sup>	$BD = \frac{100}{\left(\frac{OM}{0.224}\right) + \left(\frac{100 - OM}{1.017}\right)} + 0.0032 \times Sa + 0.054 \times \log_{10}(\text{depth})$
30	Hossain et al. (2015) <sup>[25]</sup>	$BD = 0.701 + 0.952 \times e^{(-0.29 \times OC)}$
31	Huntington et al. (1989) <sup>[26]</sup>	$BD = e^{\left(-2.39 - 1.316 \times \ln\left(\frac{OM}{100}\right) - 0.167 \times \left(\ln\left(\frac{OM}{100}\right)\right)^2\right)}$
32	Jeffrey (1970) <sup>[27]</sup>	$BD = 1.482 - 0.6786 \times \log_{10}(OM)$
33	Kaur et al. (2002) <sup>[28]</sup>	$BD = e^{(0.313 - 0.191 \times OC + 0.02102 \times Cl - 0.000476 \times Cl^2 - 0.00432 \times Si)}$
34	Keller & Håkansson (2010) <sup>[29]</sup>	$BD = \text{modelocuadráticocompleto}$
35	Kobal et al. (2011) <sup>[30]</sup>	$BD = 1.4842 - 0.1424 \times OC$
36	Leonaviciute (2000) <sup>[31]</sup>	$BD = 1.70398 - 0.00313 \times Si + 0.00261 \times Cl - 0.11245 \times OC$
37	Manrique & Jones (1991) <sup>[32]</sup>	$BD = 1.51 - 0.113 \times OC$

38	Men et al. (2008) <sup>[33]</sup>	$BD = 1.386 - 0.078 \times OC + 0.001 \times Si + 0.001 \times Cl$
39	Valzano et al. (2005) <sup>[34]</sup>	$BD = 1.608 - 0.0872 \times OC$
40	Minasny & Hartemink (2011) <sup>[35]</sup>	$BD = \text{modelopfundidadtextura}$
41	Nanko et al. (2014) <sup>[36]</sup>	$BD = \frac{100}{\frac{OM}{1.14} + \frac{100 - OM}{1.153}}$
42	Palladino et al. (2022) <sup>[37]</sup>	$BD = 1.131 + 0.00299 \times Sa + 0.00512 \times Cl - 0.03881 \times OC$
43	Perie & Ouimet (2008) <sup>[38]</sup>	$BD = \text{fracciónorgánica}$
44	Prévost (2004) <sup>[39]</sup>	$BD = e^{\left(-1.81 - 0.892 \times \ln\left(\frac{OM}{100}\right) - 0.092 \times \left(\ln\left(\frac{OM}{100}\right)\right)^2\right)}$
45	Rawls et al. (2004) <sup>[40]</sup>	$x = -1.2141 + 4.23123 \times Sa/100;$ $y = -1.70126 + 7.55319 \times Cl/100;$ $z = -1.55601 + 0.507094 \times OM;$ $w = -0.0771892 + 0.256629 \times x + 0.256704 \times x^2 - 0.140911 \times x^3$ $- 0.0237361 \times y - 0.098737 \times x^2 \times y - 0.140381$ $\times y^2 + 0.0140902 \times x \times y^2 + 0.0287001 \times y^3;$ $BD = 1.36411 + 0.185628 \times (0.0845397 + 0.701658 \times w - 0.614038 \times$ $w^2 - 1.18871 \times w^3 + 0.0991862 \times y - 0.301816 \times w \times y - 0.153337 \times$ $w^2 \times y - 0.072242 \times y^2 + 0.392736 \times w \times y^2 + 0.0886315 \times y^3 -$ $0.601301 \times z + 0.651673 \times w \times z - 1.37484 \times w^2 \times z + 0.298823 \times y \times$ $z - 0.192686 \times w \times z \times y + 0.0815752 \times y^2 \times z - 0.0450214 \times z^2 -$ $0.179529 \times w \times z^2 - 0.0797412 \times y \times z^2 + 0.00942183 \times z^3)$
46	Reidy et al. (2016) <sup>[41]</sup>	$BD = 1.7059 - 0.3425 \times \sqrt{OC}$
47	Ruehlmann & Körschens (2009) <sup>[42]</sup>	$BD = (2.684 - 140.943 \times 0.008) \times e^{(-0.008 \times OC \times 10)}$
48	Saini (1966) <sup>[43]</sup>	$BD = 1.53 - 0.05 \times OM$
49	Sevastas et al. (2018) (1) <sup>[44]</sup>	$BD = 2.268 - 0.179 \times \ln(Sa) - 0.345 \times \ln(OC)$
50	Sevastas et al. (2018) (2) <sup>[44]</sup>	$BD = 2.039 - 0.563 \times OC + 0.103 \times OC^2$
51	Song et al. (2005) (1) <sup>[45]</sup>	$BD = 1.3565 \times e^{(-0.0046 \times OC \times 10)}$
52	Song et al. (2005) (2) <sup>[45]</sup>	$BD = 1.377 \times e^{(-0.0048 \times OC \times 10)}$
53	Tamminen & Starr (1994) <sup>[46]</sup>	$BD = 1.565 - 0.2298 \times \sqrt{OM}$
54	Tomasella & Hodnett (1998) <sup>[47]</sup>	$BD = 1.578 - 0.054 \times OC - 0.006 \times Si - 0.004 \times Cl$
55	Tranter et al. (2007) <sup>[48]</sup>	$BD = 1.35 + 0.0045 \times Sa + (44.7 - Sa)^2 \times 6 \times 10^{-5} + 0.060 \times \ln(\text{depth})$
56	Tremblay et al. (2002) <sup>[49]</sup>	$BD = \text{mezclamineral} - \text{orgánica}$
57	Williams (1971) <sup>[50]</sup>	$BD = 1.37 - 0.076 \times OC$
58	Wu et al. (2003) <sup>[51]</sup>	$BD = 1.2901 - 0.1229 \times \ln(OC)$
59	Yang et al. (2007) <sup>[52]</sup>	$BD = 0.29 + 1.2033 \times e^{(-0.075 \times OC)}$
60	Zinke et al. (1986) <sup>[53]</sup>	$BD = 1.446 - 0.000645 \times \text{depth} - 0.344 \times \log_{10}(OC)$
61	Dexter (2004) <sup>[54]</sup>	$BD = \frac{1}{0.59 + 0.00163 \times Cl + 0.0253 \times OM}$
62	Hallett et al. (1998) <sup>[19]</sup>	$BD = 0.87 + 0.071 \times \ln(Cl) + 0.093 \times \ln(Sa) - 0.254 \times \ln(OC)$
63	Han et al. (2012) <sup>[55]</sup>	$BD = e^{(0.5379 - 0.0653 \times \sqrt{OM})}$

64 Bashir et al. (2025)<sup>[56]</sup>

$$BD = 1.757 - 1.782 \times \log_{10}(OM) + 0.00797 \times \left(\frac{Cl}{OM}\right)$$

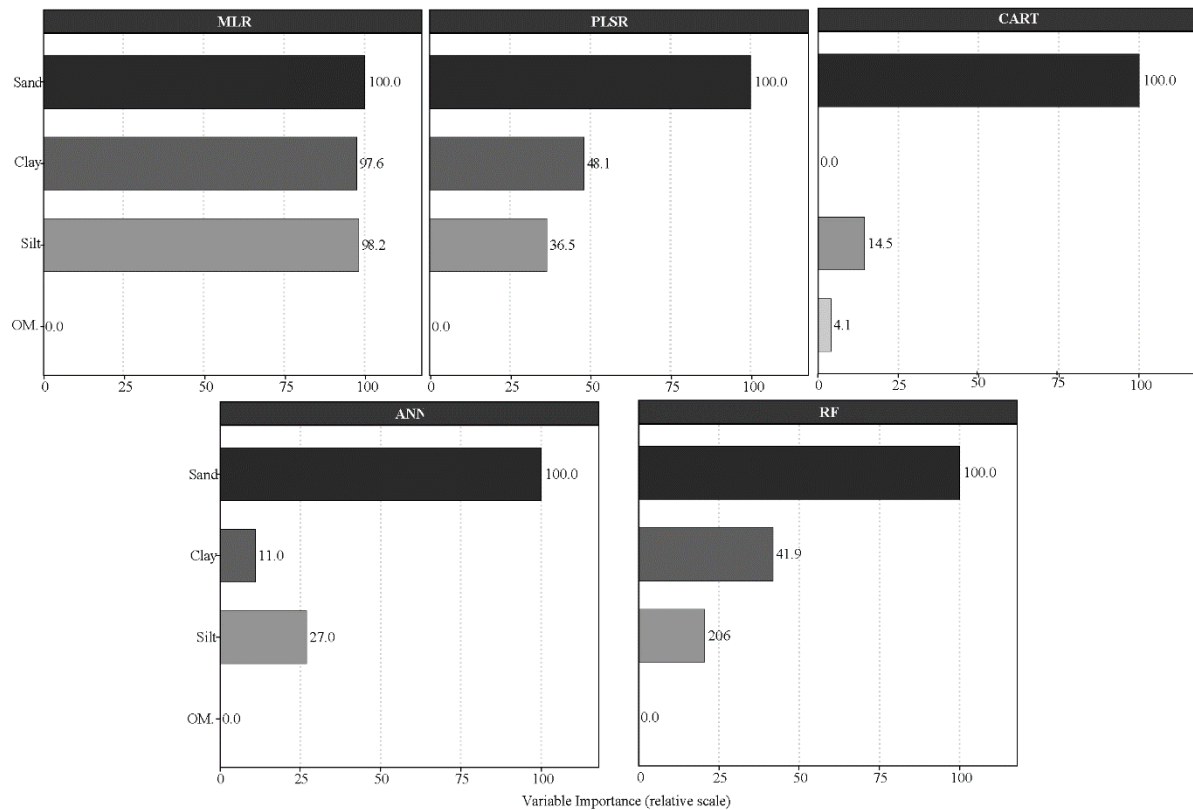
65 Salamanca Jiménez et al. (2005)  
(1)<sup>[57]</sup>

$$BD = 1.79 - 0.02 \times HCC + 0.00008 \times HCC^2$$

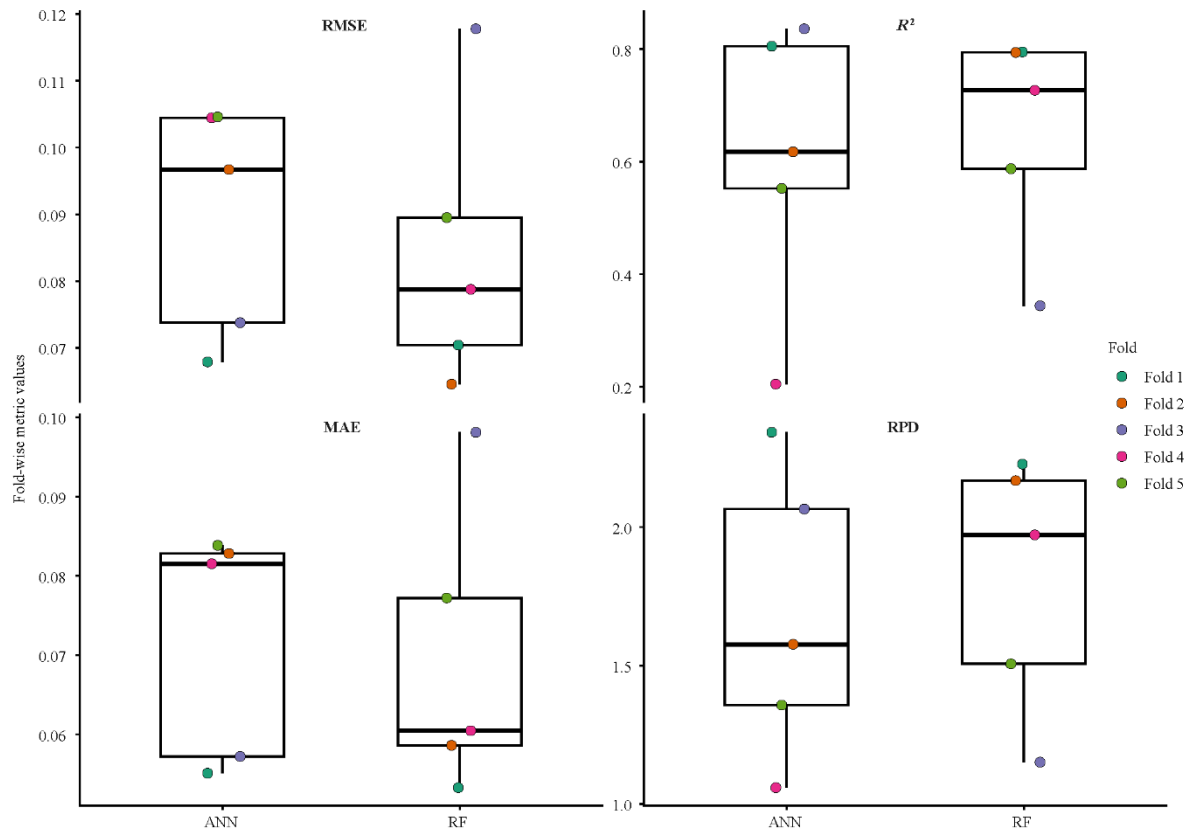
66 Salamanca Jiménez et al. (2005)  
(2)<sup>[57]</sup>

$$BD = 1.77 - 0.14 \times OM + 0.006 \times OM^2 - 0.00008 \times OM^3$$

Note: BD, bulk density; OM, soil organic matter; OC, organic carbon; C, carbon; Sa, sand; Si, silt; Cl, clay; depth, soil depth; and HCC, hygroscopic coefficient of humidity.



**Fig. S1** Relative importance of predictor variables across five models evaluated for soil bulk density (BD) estimation: multiple linear regression (MLR), partial least squares regression (PLSR), classification and regression tree (CART), artificial neural network (ANN), and random forest (RF). Variable importance is expressed on a relative scale (0–100).



**Fig. S2** Distribution of root mean square error (RMSE), coefficient of determination ( $R^2$ ), mean absolute error (MAE), and ratio of performance to deviation (RPD) across the five folds for the artificial neural network (ANN) and random forest (RF) models under fivefold cross-validation. Colored points represent individual fold results (Folds 1–5).

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