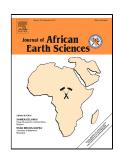
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- Brittleness and geomechanical parameters of the Asmari formation from the Khersan 2 dam site were investigated.
- There was appropriate linear and nonlinear relationships between static and dynamic parameters in dry and saturated conditions.
- The correlation of the static and dynamic parameters with porosity was greater in dry conditions than saturated conditions.
- Multiple linear analyses indicated that brittleness index had a significant correlation ($R^2 = 0.90$) with UCS, V_p and the tensile strength.
- ullet Estimation of brittleness index based on V_p had higher accuracy than that based on tensile strength and UCS.
- The correlation of brittleness index with B1, B2 and B3 concepts reveals that the best correlation of brittleness index was related to the B3 concept.
- Also, the correlation of the brittleness index with V_p , B1, B2 and B3 parameters was greater in dry conditions than saturated conditions.

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