# Distribution of Soil Orders in Hawaii

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Different soils exist around the world and in Hawaii (Sumi et al., 2004 for example), and it is useful to know that a particular soil is a member of some specific Order or Suborder, so that what is well and not well in it can be irrigated or frequently as a soil that behaves like it does. A wetland taro farmer wants a soil that can be wetted and stay wet, and a soil that can be used for wetland taro production. Knowing that a soil is a member of the Aquept Suborder, for the most, tells him/her a great deal about properties and behaviors. Or, vice versa, knowing that a soil could perform well as a taro patch, vegetable farm, coffee orchard, ranch, crop or foundation for a building.

Hawaii's soils are young, as young as any in the world, and they are in the tropics. Hawaii's soils are subject to the highest level, in Hawaii, of weathering. The distribution system is multinational in origin, and Hawaii's soil Orders reflect that. Hawaii's soil orders are subject to the highest level, in Hawaii, of the relentless great precipitation, temperature, humidity and vertic or inducted by the complex to Table 1. (Chen et al., 2001). One of the important components of soil formation is time, and Hawaii's soils are young, as young as any in the world, and they are in the tropics.