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- dacítico,-ca** *nf* dacitic
- danense** *adj* Danian
- danés** *adj* Danian
- daniano,-na** *adj* Danian
- daniense** *adj* Danian
- darcy** *nm* darcy
- data** *nf* date
- datación** *nf* dating, age determination
- datar** *vtr* to date, put a date on | *vintr* to date
- dato** *nm* fact, datum, record, piece of information | *nmpl* data, facts, information
- débil** *adj* weak
- debilidad** *nf* weakness
- decaedro** *nm* decahedron
- decano** *nm* decane
- decantación** *nf* decantation | *d. selectiva* selective decantation
- decapitación** *nf* stream capture
- decila** *nf* decile
- declinación** *nf* declination | *d. de la aguja* or *magnética* deviation from magnetic north
- declive** *nm* inclination, slope, incline, declivity, dip, pitch | *en d.* sloping, on a slope
- declividad** *nf* slope
- dedo** *nm* twelfth part of a *palmo*, twenty-eighth part of a *vara*
- defecto** *nm* defect | *d. de estructura* crystal defect | *d. de masa* mass defect
- deflación** *nf* deflation
- deflexión** *nf* deflection | *d. de la aguja* magnetic deviation
- deformación** *nf* deformation | strain
- deformar** *vtr* to deform | to strain
- degradación** *nf* degradation, erosion
- degradar** *vtr* to degrade
- dejar respaldo** *vtr* [Pe] to leave ore in the wall-rock of a mine
- deleznable** *adj* brittle, friable, crumbly
- deleznamiento** *nm* slakings
- deleznar** *vtr* to crumble
- delineado,-da** *adj* blocked-out (ore)
- delinear** *vtr* to block out (ore)
- delta** *nm* delta | *d. continental* inland delta | *d. glaciárico* kame delta | *d. marino* marine delta
- deltaico,-ca** *adj* deltaic
- demantoide** *adj* demantoid, uralian emerald
- demarcación** *nf* demarcation
- demarcador,-dora** *nf* demarcating, of demarcation
- demarcar** *vtr* to demarcate, delimit, mark out
- demasias** *nfpl* [Bol] land falling outside of existing mining claims
- dendriforme** *adj* dendroid
- dendrita** *nf* dendrite
- dendrítico,-ca** *adj* dendritic
- dendroide** *adj* dendroid
- dendroideo,-dea** *adj* dendroid
- densidad** *nf* density | *d. API* API gravity | *d. de probabilidad* probability density | *d. natural* natural (rock) density | *d. relativa* relative density, specific gravity
- densimetro** *nm* densimeter
- dentado,-da** *adj* jagged, serrated, toothed | dentate
- dentellado,-da** *adj* jagged, serrated, toothed | dentate
- denticulado,-da** *adj* toothed
- denudación** *nf* erosion, denudation
- denudar** *vtr* to erode, denude
- denuncia** *nf* petition for a mining claim
- denunciar** *vtr* to obtain legal possession to a mining claim
- depleción** *nf* depletion
- deposición** *nf* deposition
- depositar** *vtr* to deposit | *vpr* to settle
- depósito** *nm* deposit, sediment | deposition | reservoir, tank | stock of mercury issued to colonial silver miners on credit by the Royal Treasury | *d. aluvial* alluvial deposit | *d. de contacto* contact metamorphic deposit | *d. de minerales* mineral deposit | *d. de metal* ore deposit | *d. estratoligase* stratiform deposit | *d. glaciár* glacial deposit | *d. mural* mural deposit | *d. por deslizamiento* slump | *d. vetiforme* vetiform deposit
- deposición** *nf* deposition
- depresión** *nf* depression, hollow | gap, pass | *d. litoral* longshore trough
- depuración** *nf* purification (of water)
- depurar** *vtr* to purify
- derecho,-cha** *adj* straight | *nm* grant, concession | *d. de captura* rule of capture | *d. de mina* mineral rights
- derechos** *nmpl* tax on ore | *d. de mineraje* royalty | *d. de señoraje* duty formerly paid to the king of Spain on coining gold or silver
- deriva** *nf* drift | *d. de (los) continentes* continental drift
- derivar** *vtr* to calculate | *vintr* to incline, drift, trend
- derivación** *nf* offset

- derramamiento** *nm* runoff
derramarse *vpr* to overflow, run-off
derrame *nm* declivity, slope, incline | sill | overflow, runoff
derretido,-da *adj* melted, molten
derretimiento *nm* melting, thawing
derretir *vtr* to melt, thaw, melt down | *vpr* to melt, become molten, thaw
derribar *vtr* to break ground
derribo *nm* breaking ground
derrocado,-da *adj* caved
derrubiar *vtr* to erode, undermine, wash away
derrubio *nm* alluvium | erosion, undermining, washing away | *d. estriado* striated pebbles | *d. glacial* glacial drift
derrumbadero *nm* precipice, cliff
derrumbamiento *nm* caving, collapse of workings | landslide | slumping | *d. de tierra* landslide
derrumbarse *vpr* to cave in, fall in, collapse
derrumbe *nm* caving, collapse of workings | landslide | *d. de montaña* rockfall
derrumbo *nm* precipice | [Col] landslide
desagregación *nf* desaggregation, disintegration
desagregado,-da *adj* disintegrated
desaguadero *nm* drain, outlet
desaguator *nm* drain, canal, outlet
desaguamdo *nm* drainage, draining | drain, outlet
desaguar *vtr* to drain, empty, run off | *v intr* to flow, drain into | *vpr* to drain
desagüe *nm* drainage, draining | drain, outlet
desahucio *nm* [Bol] annullment of a mining claim for failure to pay taxes
desalación *nf* desalinization
desalar *vtr* to desalinate
desalinización *nf* desalinization
desalinizar *vtr* to desalinate
desamontar *vtr* to unpile
desamparar *vtr* to abandon a mine or working
desamparo *nm* abandonment of a mine or working
desaparación del mineral *nf* pincning out
desarenar *vtr* [Col] to wash away sand in a placer working
desarollar *v tr* develop | to unroll, unfold (a map) | *vpr* to develop, be developed | to unroll, unfold (a map)
desarrollo *nm* development | expansion (of a mathematical expression) | unrolling (of a map)
desazogadera *nf* retort used to volatilize and recover mercury from amalgam
desazogar *vtr* to volatalize and recover mercury
desbarrancadero *nm* precipice
desbocado,-da *adj* overflowing (river)
desbordamiento *nm* overflow, overflowing
desbordar *vintr/pr/tr* to overflow, flood
desborde *nm* overflowing
descalaminado *nm* removal of calamine
descalaminar *vtr* to remove calamine from
descalcificación *nf* decalcification
descalcificar *vtr* to decalcify | *vpr* to become decalcified
descarbonatar *vtr* to decarbonate
descarburación *nf* decarbonization, decarbonizing
descarburante *adj* decarbonizing, decarburizing | *nm* decarbonization, decarbonizing
descarburar *vtr* to decarbonate, decarburize
descargar *vtr* to discharge | *vintr* to flow | *d. en* to flow into
descendencia *nf* descendance
descendente *adj* downslope
descendiente *adj* descending | descendent, descendant
descenso *nm* subsidence
descoagulante *adj* liquefying
descoagular *vtr* to liquify, dissolve
descogollar *vtr* [Col] to work the *cogollo* or upper part of a vein
descolorante *adj* bleaching
descolorar *vtr* to bleach | *vpr* to be bleached
descolorido,-da *adj* bleached | *nm* bleaching
descolorimiento *nm* bleaching
descolorir *vtr* to bleach | *vpr* to be bleached
descomponer *vtr/pr* to decompose | to resolve (a force) | to split up (a fraction) | to break down
descomposición *nf* decomposition | resolution (of a force) | factoring
descompresión *nf* decompression
descomprimir *vtr* to decompress
descompuesto,-ta *adj* decomposed
desconchase *vpr* to spall, exfoliate
describir *vtr* to trace | to describe
descripción *nf* tracing | description
descuajar *vtr/pr* to liquify, dissolve
descubierto,-ta *adj* exposed
descubridor,-ra *adj* discovered
descubrimiento *nm* discovery | *d. en suspensión* suspended discovery
descubrir *vtr* to discover
desdoblar *vtr* to unfold (a map)

- desección** *nf* dessication, drying | draining (of a marsh)
- desechado,-da** *adj* dried, dessicated | *nm* drying, dessication
- deseCADOR,-dora** *adj* drying, dessicating
- deseCAMIENTO** *nm* dessication, drying | draining (of a marsh)
- deseCante** *adj* drying, dessicating
- deseCar** *vtr/pr* to dry up, dessicate | to drain
- deseCativo,-va** *adj* drying, dessicating
- desecho** *nm* waste rock | very low grade ore | [surv] offset
- deseMbocadura** *nf* river mouth, outlet
- deseMbocar** *vintr* to flow, run
- deseNCIELAR** *vtr* [Col] to extract ore that remains between two adits
- deseNcofrado** *nm* removal of timbering from a mine
- deseNcofrar** *vtr* to remove timbering from a mine
- deseScombrar** *vtr* to muck
- deseScombro** *nm* mucking
- deseFiladero** *nm* gorge, narrow pass, defile
- deseGarramiento** *nm* tear, disjunction | [Vz] shattering, breaking up
- deseGarre** *nm* rift
- deseGasificación** *nf* degassing
- deseGastar** *vtr* to abrade, erode, wear away | to corrode
- deseGaste** *nm* abrasion, erosion, wearing away | corrosion
- deseHelarse** *vpr* to melt, thaw (ice in a river)
- deseHiele** *nm* thaw
- deseHielo** *nm* thawing, melting | ablation
- deseIerto** *nm* desert | *d. de arena* sand desert | *d. de piedra* rock desert | *d. frío* cold desert | *d. salino* salt desert
- deseIgual** *adj* uneven
- deseIgualidad** *nf* inequality
- deseIlificación** *nf* desilification
- deseIlificar** *vtr* desilicify
- deseImanación** or **deseImantación** *nf* demagnetization
- deseImanar** or **deseImantar** *vtr* to demagnetize
- deseIntegración** *nf* desintegration, decay | *d. espontánea* spontaneous fission | *d. radioactiva* radioactive or atomic decay
- deseLava** *nm* erosion | alluvium
- deseLavable** *adj* erodible
- deseLavar** *vtr* to erode
- deseLeir** *vtr* to dissolve | to dilute | *vpr* to dissolve | to be diluted
- deseleidura** *nf* dissolving | dilution
- deseleimiento** *nm* dissolving | dilution
- deseLindador** *nm* land surveyor
- deseLindamiento** *nm* delimitation, demarcation, marking of boundaries
- deseLindar** *vtr* to mark the boundaries of, delimit, demarcate, survey
- deseLinde** *nm* demarcation
- deseLiz** *nf* landslide
- deseLizamiento** *nm* landslide, slide | slip | *d. de faldeo* landslide | *d. de terreno* landslide | *d. laminar afin* affine laminar slip | *d. lento* slow slide | *d. total* net slip
- deseLizarse** *vpr* to run, flow | to slip, slide, glide
- deseMagnetización** *nf* demagnetization
- deseMagnetizar** *vtr* to demagnetize
- deseMenezable** *adj* friable | unstable
- deseMineralización** *nf* demineralize
- deseMineralizar** *vtr* to demineralize
- deseMontar** *vtr* to strip away overburden
- deseMonte** *nm* overburden | waste rock | levelled ground | rubble, excavated soil | excavation | *deseMontes de cantera* [Ch] quarry refuse
- deseMoronamiento** *nm* erosion of river banks, etc. | landslide
- deseMuestra** *nm* coring, core sampling
- deseNitrar** *vtr* to denitrate
- deseNitrificación** *nf* denitrification
- deseNitrificar** *vtr* to denitrify
- deseNivel** *nm* unevenness of ground | slope, gradient | difference in height
- deseNivelado,-da** *adj* sloping
- desePajar** *vtr* [Méx] to concentrate ores
- desePaje** *nm* [Méx] mill tailings
- desePegue** *nm* detachment, décollement
- desePeñadero,-ra** *adj* steep, precipitous | *nm* steep face, precipice, cliff
- desePerdicio** *nm* waste | spoil
- desePilado,-da** *adj* robbed of pillars
- desePilar** *vtr* to rob pillars
- desePilanamiento** *nm* robbing of pillars
- desePinta** *nf* [Ch] silver ore assaying less than 50 *diezmilésimos* in grade | [Arg] poorest grade ores, rich in pyrite
- desePlazado,-da** *adj* displaced
- desePlazamiento** *nm* displacement | slip | *d. aparente* apparent displacement or separation | *d. por fase miscible* miscible drive
- desePlazar** *vtr* to displace
- desePliegue** *nm* deployment | *d. en cruz* cross spread

- desplome** *nm* collapse | *d. de montaña* rockfall
- despojo** *nm* [Bol] debris | [Col] extraction, as from a mine
- desprender de** *vtr* to separate from
- desprendimiento** *nm* landslide
- desprovisito,-ta** *adj* devoid
- despueble** *adj* abandonment (mines) | *nm* abandonment of a mine
- despuntador** *nm* pick, pickaxe (miner's)
- desquebrajado,-da** *adj* cracked, split
- desquebrajar** *vtr* to crack, split
- destaje** or **destajo** *nm* [Bol] contract work, tutwork | [Pe] open cut
- destilación** *nf* distillation | *d. al vacío* vacuum distillation
- destilado** *nm* distillate
- desvenar** *vtr* to extract ore from a vein or mine
- desviación** *nf* deviation, departure, deflection | *d. del pozo* side tracking | *d. media* mean deviation
- desviarse** *vpr* to deviate, deflect, depart from | to branch off
- desvío** *nm* wandering (of a river) | vein which meets another, follows it for a short distance and then resumes its normal course
- desviómetro** *nm* driftmeter
- desvitrificación** *nf* devitrification
- desvitrificar** *vtr* to devitrify
- desvolcanarse** *vpr* [Col] to be covered by a lahar or mudslide | to collapse | to be destroyed
- deszafrar** *vtr* to carry away waste from a mine
- desviación** *nf* deflection
- detector** *nm* detector | *d. de agua* divining rod | *d. de gas* gas explorer
- deteriorización** *nf* deterioration
- deterioro** *nm* deterioration
- detrítico,-ca** *adj* detritic
- detrito** *nm* detritus | *d. aluvial* alluvium
- deuterico,-ca** *adj* deuteritic
- deuterio** *nm* deuterium
- devoniano,-na** *adj* Devonian
- devónico,-ca** *adj* Devonian
- dextroso,-sa** *adj* dextral
- deyección** *nf* ejection of volcanic material | ejecta | debris
- diabasa** *nf* diabase
- diabásico,-ca** *adj* diabasic
- diaclasa** *nf* joint | *d. de buzamiento* dip joint | *d. de cizalla* shear joint | *d. de contracción* joint of retreat | *d. de cortante* shear joint | *d. de dirección* strike joint | *d. de estratificación* bedding joint | *d. de inclinación* dip joint | *d. de rumbo* strike joint | *d. de tensión* tension joint | *d. de tracción* tension joint | *d. diagonal* oblique joint | *d. oblicua* oblique joint
- diacclado,-da** *adj* jointed, jointy
- diacclado** *nm* jointing | *d. angular* angular jointing
- diacclasamiento** *nm* jointing
- diafanidad** *nf* transparency
- diaforesis** *nm* diaforesis
- diagénesis** *nf* diagenesis | induration
- diagrafía** *nf* logging | *d. de amplitud* amplitude log | *d. de densidad* density log
- diagrama** *nm* diagram | *d. de barras* bar diagram | *d. de fases* phase diagram | *d. de pozo* well log | *d. de proximidad* proximity log | *d. de sectores* pie diagram
- dialaga** *nf* diagraphite
- diamagnético,-ca** *adj* diamagnetic
- diamantado,-da** *adj* diamond-like, diamond
- diamante** *nm* diamond | *d. brillante* brilliant diamond | *d. bruto* rough diamond | *d. en bruto* rough diamond | *d. falso* fake diamond | *d. negro* bort | *d. rebolludo* round rough diamond | *d. rosa* rose diamond | *d. tabla* table diamond | *d. tallado* cut diamond
- diamantífero,-ra** *adj* diamond-bearing, diamond-yielding, diamantiferous
- diamantino,-na** *adj* diamond, diamond-like | *nm* [Guanajuato, Méx] veinstone formed of hornfels and crystalline feldspar
- diamantista** *nm* diamond cutter | diamond merchant
- diapiro** *nm* diapir | *d. salino* salt dome
- diario** *nm* logbook | *d. de sondeo* drilling journal or record
- diaspora** *nf* diaspore
- diasporo** *nm* diaspore
- diasquística** *nf* dischistic, differentiated
- diasquisto** *nm* dischistic rock, differentiated dike rock
- diastrofismo** *nm* diastrophism
- diastroma** *nf* diastrophism
- diatómico,-cea** *adj* diatomaceous
- diatomea** *nf* diatom
- diatrema** *nf* diatrema | maar | *d. de explosión* diatrema
- dicroita** *nf* dichroite
- dicroísmo** *nm* dichroism
- dicroita** *nf* cordierite
- diedro,-ra** *adj* dihedral | *nm* dihedron
- dientes de perro** *nmpl* scalenohedral calcite
- diestro,-ra** *adj* dextral

- diezmilésimo** *nm* [Ch] 0.0001 grams of metal in 10 grams of ore
- diezmo** *nm* a tax of one tenth the value of metal or mineral produced
- diferencia** *nf* difference | *d. de latitud norte* northing | *d. de latitud sur* southing | *d. en longitud* meridian distance | *d. en nivel* fall, difference in level | *d. media* mean difference
- diferenciación** *nf* differentiation | *d. magmática* magmatic differentiation
- diferencial** *adj* differential
- difluencia** *nf* diffluence
- difracción** *nf* diffraction
- difractar** *vtr* to diffract
- difractivo,-va** *adj* diffractive
- difractómetro** *nm* diffractometer
- difrangente** *adj* diffractive
- difundido,-da** *adj* diffuse
- difusión** *nf* diffusion | scattering
- digestión** *nf* assimilation
- digitación** *nf* fingering
- digitado,-da** *adj* digitate, digitated
- dígito** *nm* digit
- dilatación** *nf* dilation
- dilatado,-da** *adj* dilated
- dilatar** *vtr* to dilate
- dilución** *nf* dilution
- diluido,-da** *adj* dilute
- diluir** *vtr* to dilute
- diluvio** *nm* flood, deluge
- diluvión** *nm* diluvium
- dimanar** *vintr* to flow, run
- dinámico,-ca** *adj* dynamic | *nf* dynamics
- dinamometamorfismo** *nm* dynamic metamorphism
- dinamitación** *nf* well shooting
- dineral** *nm* weight of gold of 24 *quilates* or 96 *granos* | weight of silver of 12 *dineros* or 298 *granos*
- dínero** *nm* twelfth part of a *dineral*
- dinosaurio** *nm* dinosaur
- diodo** *nm* diode
- dionisia** *nf* bloodstone (*var* of jasper) | specularite
- diópsida** *nf* diopside
- diópsido** *nm* diopside
- dióptasa** *nf* dioptase
- diorita** *nf* diorite | *d. compacta* aphanite | *d. esquistosa* greenstone
- diorítico,-ca** *adj* dioritic
- dióxido** *nm* dioxide | *d. de silicio* silicon dioxide, quartz
- dipirámide** *nm* bipyramid
- dipolo** *nm* dipole
- dique** *nm* dike | *d. anular* ring dike
- dirección** *nf* strike | trend | *d. local* local strike | *d. media* average strike | *d. principal* principal strike
- dirigirse** *vpr* to strike or trend
- disco** *nm* disc
- discoidal** *adj* disc-shaped
- disconformidad** *nf* disconformity
- discontinuidad** *nf* discontinuity
- discontinuo,-nua** *adj* discontinuous
- discordancia** *nf* unconformity | *d. angular* angular unconformity | *d. de erosión* erosional unconformity | *d. de plegamiento* | *d. paralela* disconformity
- discordante** *adj* discordant
- disfrutar** *vtr* to work, exploit or profit from a mine, vein, etc.
- disfrute** *nm* working or exploitation of a mine, vein, etc.
- disgregación** *nf* disintegration | breaking up
- disgregante** *adj* disintegrating
- disgregar** *vtr* to disintegrate
- disimetría** *nf* dissymmetry
- dislocación** *nf* dislocation, throw or a fault | fault | *d. ascendente* upthrow | *d. circular* fault pit | *d. descendente* downthrow | *d. longitudinal* strike-slip fault | *d. periférica* circular fault | *d. rumbeante* strike-slip fault | *d. transversal* cross fault | *d. vertical* vertical fault
- dislocado,-da** *adj* displaced, faulted, disrupted
- dislocar** *vtr* to displace, fault
- disminución** *nf* decrease
- disminuir** *vtr* to decrease
- disolubilidad** *nf* solubility
- disoluble** *adj* soluble
- disolución** *nf* solution
- disolvente** *nm* solvent
- disolver** *vtr* to dissolve
- dispersarse** *vpr* to die out (as for a vein)
- dispersión** *nf* dispersion | *d. de la capa* irregular surface on a bed
- disponerse en** *vpr* to be found, occur
- disposición** *nf* arrangement | bedding | *d. alternante* alternation of beds | *d. concordante* conformable bedding | *d. discordante* unconformity
- dispositivo** *nm* layout | *d. de tiro* shot pattern | *d. simétrico* split spread
- distancia** *nf* distance | *d. horizontal* de afloramientos normal horizontal separation

- distena** *nf* disthene
- distensión** *nf* distension, extension
- distribución** *nf* distribution | *d. cesurada* censored distribution | *d. compuesta* mixture distribution | *d. condicional* conditional distribution | *d. de frecuencia* frequency distribution | *d. de la muestra* sample distribution | *d. ligada* conditional distribution | *d. marginal* marginal distribution | *d. observada* observed distribution | *d. simétrica* symmetric distribution | *d. truncada* truncated distribution
- distrito** *nm* district | *d. minero* mining district
- disuelto,-ta** *adj* dissolved
- disyunción** *nf* fracture | jointing | *d. de rocas* jointing | *d. prismática* columnar jointing | *d. tabular* tabular jointing
- divergencia** *nf* divergence
- divergente** *adj* divergent | *nm* divergent
- división** *nf* joint
- divisoria** *nf* divide | *d. de vertientes* watershed
- divorcio de las aguas** *nm* divide, ridge
- dócil** *adj* free-milling, easily treated
- dodecaedro** *nm* dodecahedron
- dodecaetileno** *nm* dodecatylene
- dodecano** *nm* dodecane
- dolina** *nf* doline
- dolomía** *nf* dolostone
- dolomítico,-ca** *adj* dolomitic
- dolomitizar** *vtr* to dolomitize
- domeriano,-na** *adj* Domerian
- Domeriense** *nm* Domerian
- dominio** *nm* domain | *d. minero* mining area
- domo** *nm* dome | *d. de sal* salt dome | *d. salino* salt dome or plug | *d. volcánico* volcanic dome
- dorado,-da** *adj* golden | *nm* [Michoacan, Méx] chalcopryrite-bearing copper ore
- dorsal oceánica** *nf* mid-oceanic ridge
- dosificación** *nf* titration
- dosís** *nf* proportion (chemicals)
- downtoniano,-na** *adj* Downtonian
- downtoniense** *adj* Downtonian
- draga** *nf* dredge, dredger, dredging machine
- dragado** *nm* dredging
- dragador,-dora** *adj* dredging | *nm* dredger, dredge
- dragaje** *nm* dredging
- dragalina** *nf* [Sp] dragline
- dragalínea** *nf* [Méx] dragline
- dragar** *vtr* to dredge
- drenaje** *nm* drainage | *d. efectivo* net drainage | *d. por expansión* depletion drive drainage | *d. por expansión de gas* gas cap drive | *d. por expansión de gas libre* gas cap drive | *d. por gravedad* gravity drainage
- drusa** *nf* druse | drusy cavity or vug | *en d.* drusy
- dúctil** *adj* ductile
- ductilidad** *nf* ductility
- duna** *nf* dune | *d. continental* | *d. costera* coastal dune | *d. de playa* coastal dune | *d. descendente* falling dune | *d. falciforme* barchan dune | *d. longitudinal* longitudinal dune | *d. parabólica* parabolic dune | *d. seif* seif dune | *d. d. transversal* transverse dune *trepadora* climbing dune
- dureza** *nf* hardness | *d. del agua* water hardness
- duro,-ra** *adj* hard
- duro** *nm* [Asientos, Méx] hard copper ores with quartz gangue