



The ancient farmers took some steps to greatly **increase the surface runoff.**

Their steps included two main components:

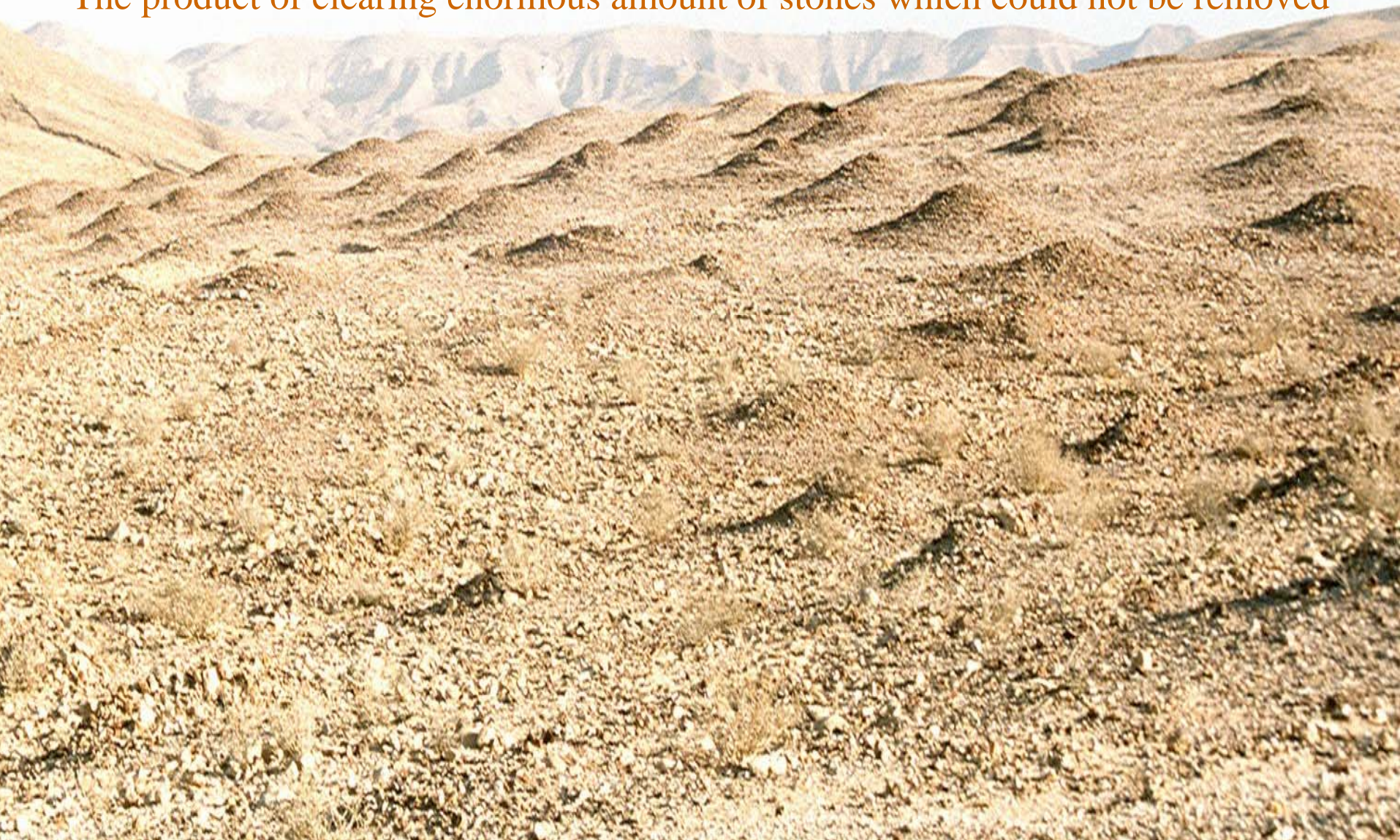
- They **cleared stones** on the slope's surface to allow **uninterrupted flow of runoff.**
- They built **accumulation ditches** along the slopes to collect the runoff **before seeping into the ground.**

They constructed **systems of terraced plots** along the wadi.

They built, in larger wadis, complex systems including **dams, diversion channels and supporting walls.**

STONE MOUNDS (*Tuleilat el Anab*)

The product of clearing enormous amount of stones which could not be removed



ACCUMULATION DITCHES



To collect the runoff before seeping into the ground



TERRACED PLOTS



SUPPORTING WALLS

