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#### PREFACE

Engineers and contractors have been designing and installing pile foundations for many years. During the past three decades this industry has experienced several major improvements including newer and more accurate methods of predicting capacities, highly specialized and sophisticated equipment for pile driving, and improved methods of construction control.

In order to take advantage of these new developments, the FHWA developed a manual in connection with Demonstration Project No. 66, Design and Construction of Driven Pile Foundations. The primary purpose of the Manual was to support educational programs conducted by FHWA for transportation agencies. These programs consisted of (1) a workshop for geotechnical, structural, and construction engineers, and (2) field demonstrations of static and dynamic load testing equipment. Technical assistance on construction projects in areas covered by this Demonstration Project was provided to transportation agencies on request. A second purpose of equal importance was to serve as the FHWA's standard reference for highway projects involving driven pile foundations.

The original Manual was written by Suneel N. Vanikar with review and comment from Messrs. Ronald Chassie, Jerry DiMaggio, and Richard Cheney.

After a decade of use it was necessary that the Manual be updated and modified to include new developments that had taken place in the intervening years and to take advantage of the experience gained in using the Manual in the many workshops that were presented by Demonstration Project 66. The new version of the Manual was prepared by Goble Rausche Likins and Associates, Inc. under contract with the FHWA.

The Manual is presented in two volumes. Volume I addresses design aspects and Volume II presents topics related to driven pile installation, monitoring, and inspection.

The new Manual is intended to serve a dual purpose. First, as a workshop participant's manual for the FHWA's National Highway Institute Courses on Driven Pile Foundations. Similar to the earlier demonstration manual, this document is also intended to serve as FHWA's primary reference of recommended practice for driven pile foundations.

Upon completion of NHI Course 13221, participants will be able to:

- 1. Describe methods of pile foundation design.
- 2. Discuss driven pile construction materials and installation equipment.
- 3. Describe the timing and scope of the involvement of foundation specialists as a project evolves from concept through completion.
- 4. Perform a foundation economic analysis and determine the need for a driven pile foundation.
- 5. Recognize the pile type selection process and the advantages and disadvantages of common driven pile types.
- 6. Compute single and group capacities of driven piles to resist compression, tension and lateral loads.
- 7. Identify when and how dynamic formulas, wave equation analyses, dynamic pile testing and static load testing should be used on a project.
- 8. Discuss the components of structural foundation reports and controlling issues of specifications and contracting documents as related to a successful construction project.
- 9. Describe the concept and project influence of driveability, pile refusal, minimum and estimated pile toe elevations, soil setup and relaxation.

Upon completion of NHI Course 13222, participants will be able to:

- 1. Describe methods of driven pile construction monitoring and inspection practices and procedures.
- 2. Discuss pertinent driven pile specification and contract document issues.

- 3. Describe wave equation, dynamic testing and static testing results in terms of their application and interpretation on construction projects.
- 4. Identify the basic components and differences between various pile driving systems, associated installation equipment, pile splices and pile toe attachments.
- 5. Interpret a set of driven pile plan details and specifications.
- 6. Inspect a drive pile project with knowledge and confidence.

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#### LIST OF SYMBOLS

- A Pile cross sectional area.
- A<sub>p</sub> Pile cross section area at pile toe of an unplugged pile section.
- A<sub>s</sub> Pile shaft exterior surface area.
- A<sub>si</sub> Pile shaft interior surface area.
- $A_t$  Pile toe area.
- B Width of pile group.
- B<sub>d</sub> Projected width of pile group at depth d.
- b Pile diameter.
- b<sub>f</sub> Distance from midpoint of slope to centerline of embankment fill.
- C Wave speed of pile material.
- C<sub>f</sub> Conversion factor for cone tip resistance to sleeve friction.
- C<sub>c</sub> Compression index.
- C<sub>cr</sub> Recompression index.
- C<sub>d</sub> Pile perimeter at depth d.
- $C_{F}$  Correction factor for  $K_{\delta}$  when  $\delta \neq \phi$ .
- $C_N$  Correction factor for SPT N value.
- C<sub>s</sub> Dimensionless shape factor.
- c Cohesion.
- c' Effective cohesion.

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C <sub>a</sub>	-	Adhesion or shear stress between the pile and soil at failure.
Cu	-	Undrained shear strength or can be determined from $q_u/2$ .
C <sub>u1</sub>	-	Average undrained shear strength around pile group.
C <sub>u2</sub>	-	Undrained shear strength below pile toe level.
D	-	Pile embedded length.
D <sub>B</sub>	-	Pile embedded length into bearing stratum.
D,	-	Relative density.
d	-	Depth.
Δd	-	Length of pile segment.
E	-	Modulus of elasticity of pile material.
E,	-	Manufacturers rated hammer energy.
Es	-	Soil modulus.
е,	-	Void ratio.
e <sub>c</sub>	-	Eccentricity of applied load for free-headed pile.
e <sub>o</sub>	-	Initial void ratio.
fs	-	Cone unit sleeve friction.
fs	-	Average cone unit sleeve friction.
f' <sub>c</sub>	-	Ultimate compression strength for concrete.
f <sub>n</sub>	-	Negative unit shaft resistance over the shaft surface area.

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- f<sub>pe</sub> Effective prestress after losses.
- f<sub>s</sub> Positive unit shaft resistance over the shaft surface area.
- f<sub>si</sub> Interior unit shaft resistance.
- f<sub>so</sub> Exterior unit shaft resistance.
- f<sub>v</sub> Yield stress of pile material for steel.
- H Original thickness of stratum.
- h Ram stroke.

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- h<sub>f</sub> Height of embankment fill.
  - Moment of inertia.
- I<sub>f</sub> Influence factor for group embedment.
- j Stress exponent.
- Ratio of unit pile shaft resistance to cone unit sleeve friction for cohesionless soils.
- K<sub>c</sub> Cone bearing capacity factor.
- K<sub>h</sub> Coefficient of horizontal subgrade reaction.
- K<sub>o</sub> Coefficient of earth pressure at rest.
- K<sub>p</sub> Rankine passive pressure coefficient.
- $K_{\delta}$  Coefficient of lateral earth pressure.
- k Slope of soil modulus.

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- L Total pile length.
- $\Delta L$  Length of pile between two measuring points under no load conditions.
- $M_v$  Resisting moment of the pile.
- m<sub>n</sub> Dimensionless modulus number.
- m, Dimensionless recompression modulus number.
- N Uncorrected field SPT resistance value.
- N' Corrected SPT resistance value.
- N' Average corrected SPT resistance value.
- N<sub>b</sub> Number of hammer blows per 25 mm.
- N<sub>c</sub> Dimensionless bearing capacity factor.
- N'<sub>q</sub> Dimensionless bearing capacity factor.
- N<sub>t</sub> Toe bearing capacity coefficient.
- n<sub>1</sub> Empirical coefficient for calculating the coefficient of subgrade reaction.
- $n_2$  Empirical coefficient for calculating the coefficient of subgrade reaction.
- P<sub>m</sub> P-multiplier for p-y curve.
- p Soil resistance per unit pile length.
- Δp Change in pressure.
- p<sub>c</sub> Preconsolidation pressure.
- p<sub>d</sub> Effective overburden pressure at the center of depth increment d.

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- p<sub>f</sub> Design foundation pressure.
- p<sub>i</sub> Pressure.
- p<sub>o</sub> Effective overburden pressure.
- $\overline{p}_{o}$  Average effective overburden pressure.
- pt Total overburden pressure, also effective overburden pressure at the pile toe.
- Q Load.
- $\Delta Q$  Load increment.
- Q<sub>a</sub> Allowable design load of a pile.
- Q<sub>d</sub> Dead load on a pile.
- Q<sub>1</sub> Live load on a pile.
- Q<sub>m</sub> Maximum allowable lateral working load.
- $Q_n$  Drag load on a pile.
- Q<sub>u</sub> Ultimate pile capacity.
- Q<sub>ug</sub> Ultimate pile group capacity.
- q<sub>c</sub> Cone tip resistance.
- $\overline{q}_{c}$  Average cone tip resistance.
- q<sub>L</sub> Limiting unit toe resistance.
- q<sub>t</sub> Unit toe resistance over the pile toe area.
- q<sub>u</sub> Unconfined compressive strength.

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- $R_f$  Friction ratio or fs/q<sub>c</sub>.
- R<sub>s</sub> Ultimate pile shaft resistance.
- R<sub>t</sub> Ultimate pile toe resistance.
- R<sub>u</sub> Ultimate soil resistance.
- S Section modulus about an axis perpendicular to the load plane.
- S<sub>t</sub> Sensitivity of a cohesive soil.
- s Estimated total settlement.

#### s<sub>b</sub> - Set per blow.

- s<sub>f</sub> Settlement at failure.
- U Displacement.
- u Pore water pressure (neutral pressure).
- V Volume of soil displaced per unit length of pile.
- W<sub>g</sub> Effective weight of pile/soil block.
- w<sub>p</sub> Weight of soil plug.
- y Lateral soil (or pile) deflection.
- Z Length of pile group.
- Z<sub>d</sub> Projected length of pile group at depth d.
- z Pile spacing.
- α An empirical adhesion factor.

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- α' Ratio of pile unit shaft resistance to cone unit sleeve friction for cohesive soils.
- α<sub>t</sub> Dimensionless factor in Nordlund method (dependent on pile depth-width relationship).
- $\beta$  Beta shaft resistance coefficient.
- $\beta_{\rm h}$  Dimensionless length factor for lateral load analysis.
- Δ Elastic compression.
- $\Delta u_m$  Maximum excess pore pressure.
- $\delta$  Friction angle between pile and soil.
- e Strain.
- $\epsilon_{50}$  Strain at 1/2 maximum principal stress.
- $\eta$  Dimensionless length factor for lateral load analysis.
- $\eta_{g}$  Pile group efficiency.
- $\gamma$  Total unit weight of soil.
- $\gamma'$  Buoyant unit weight of soil.
- $\gamma_{\rm D}$  Dry unit weight of soil.
- $\gamma_{\rm f}$  Unit weight of embankment fill.
- $\gamma_{\rm w}$  Unit weight of water.
- $\sigma$  Normal or total overburden stress (pressure).
- $\sigma'$  Effective stress or ( $\sigma$  u).

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- $\sigma_a$  Maximum allowable stress in compression parallel to the wood grain.
- $\sigma'_{p}$  Preconsolidation pressure or stress.
- $\sigma'_{vc}$  Vertical consolidation stress.
- $\sigma'_1$  Effective stress after stress increase.
- $\sigma'_{o}$  Effective stress prior to stress increase.
- $\sigma'_{r}$  Constant reference stress.
- $\tau$  Shear strength of soil.
- $\phi$  Angle of internal friction of soil.
- $\phi$ ' Effective angle of internal friction of soil.
- ω Angle of pile taper from vertical.

#### 1. NEED FOR A PILE MANUAL

In 1985 the Federal Highway Administration published the first edition of this manual. The goals of that work are unchanged, so it is useful to repeat them here with modest updating.

- There exists a vast quantity of information on the subject of pile foundations which presently is not compiled in a form which is useful to most practicing engineers. There are proven rational design procedures, information on construction materials, equipment and techniques, and useful case histories. Unfortunately, much of this information is fragmented and scattered. Standard textbooks and other publications on the subject tend to be theoretically oriented; practicing design and construction engineers often find them lacking in practical aspects.
- 2. Many of the methods currently in practice often lead to unnecessarily conservative designs because they are based solely on experience and tradition with little theoretical background. Newer and more rational design procedures and techniques can be applied to provide more economical pile systems which will safely support the applied structural loads without excessive safety factors.
- 3. During fiscal year 93, FHWA and the State Transportation departments spent approximately 5.0 billion dollars for constructing, replacing, or rehabilitating bridges. Of that amount approximately 1.5 billion dollars were spent on bridge substructures and of that, at least 750 million dollars were spent on foundations. In addition, city and county governments, whose practices closely follow the State practices, spend large amounts on construction of bridges. There are opportunities for substantial savings in foundation construction costs, specifically in the area of pile foundations.

Cost savings can be achieved by the use of improved methods of design and construction technology. A minimum of fifteen percent of the substructure cost can be easily saved by utilizing such methods and, in most cases, the savings are more significant.

4. A comprehensive manual has been needed for some time to transfer available technology and to upgrade the level of expertise in pile foundations. This manual is intended to fulfill that need as well as to establish minimum design standards.

5. Design criteria for major and unusual bridge structures is becoming more complex and sophisticated. Extreme design events such as scour, debris loading, vessel impact, and seismic events produce great need for foundation performance under lateral and uplift loading, group behavior, and substructure - superstructure interaction. This new series of performance criteria frequently result in foundations which are more costly, more complex to design, and more difficult to construct.

The original manual represented a major advance in that it included the most modern technology for pile design that was available. At the same time, the manual presented this technology so that it was usable to the practicing engineer. The work was very successful helping many transportation departments to modernize their design procedures. Ten years have since elapsed. Changes in pile design, construction, and performance requirements make it necessary to update the manual.

#### 1.1 SCOPE OF MANUAL

Since most piles used for highway structures are driven piles, and to keep this manual to a manageable size, this manual is limited to driven piles. The manual has been divided into two volumes. Volume I covers the design of pile foundations and Volume II covers installation, construction control, and inspection. However, sufficient information is provided in Volume I so that spread footings and drilled/bored piles, *e.g.*, drilled shafts, auger cast piles, *etc.*, can be considered in the foundation type selection process. This manual is intended to serve as a reference to all practical aspects of the design and construction of driven pile foundations.

All aspects of pile foundation design and construction, including subsurface exploration and laboratory testing, design analysis, foundation report preparation, and construction monitoring are covered in a systematic manner. Theoretical discussions have been included only where necessary. Specific recommendations are made wherever appropriate. Workshop exercises are included to provide hands-on knowledge to workshop participants and manual users.

It is important for design and construction engineers and pile construction inspectors to be familiar with pile driving equipment, accessories and inspection procedures. A separate section on this subject is included in this manual to fulfill this need. During the period that the first edition of this manual was in use, several changes occurred in design requirements. For example, more stringent requirements for scour, vessel impact and seismic events have been implemented in design. The scour requirements make pile driveability analysis more critical. For vessel impact and seismic considerations, both pile uplift and lateral analyses are becoming more important. It has become much more common to consider the effects of soil strength changes with time in the design and construction process. In the past ten years, a better understanding of pile group behavior has been gained and this knowledge is now being put into practice. Finally, Systems International (SI) units are being adopted for highway construction and they will be used throughout the updated manual.

As with the previous document, this edition is still the basis for a course on the design of driven pile foundations. This course will continue the original goal of modernizing transportation department practice in this area. Also, new engineers continue to join transportation department organizations and require updating of their knowledge in the practical aspects of pile design and installation.

The use of Load and Resistance Factor Design (LRFD) for highway bridges has been approved by the Subcommittee for Bridges and Structures of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO). This design philosophy includes foundations and, of course, driven piles. This manual will continue to follow the working stress design philosophy but it is appropriate to include a brief discussion of LRFD here to offer a conceptual introduction to the method.

In the LRFD design approach, the traditional "Safety Factor" is divided into a number of partial safety factors on the loads, Load Factors, as well as factors on the strength, Resistance or " $\Phi$ -Factors." The Load Factors have been developed for the various loads and selected load combinations by structural engineers using probabilistic concepts. They have also developed the necessary  $\Phi$ -Factors for the various structural materials, elements, and failure modes. The results of research studies have been extensively published and discussed in the structural design community. The  $\Phi$ -Factors for foundation design have also been selected (Barker *et al.* 1991).

The general methods of Load and Resistance Factor Design have been presented in engineering schools for the past 30 years in structural design courses but it is generally a new concept to most foundation specialists.

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#### **1.2 INFORMATION SOURCES**

The information presented in this manual has been collected from several sources. The information has been condensed, modified and updated as needed. The sources include state-of-the-art technical publications, manufacturers' literature, existing Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Transportation Research Board (TRB) publications, standard textbooks, and information provided by State and Federal transportation engineers. Reference lists are provided at the end of each chapter.
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# 2. ECONOMICS OF STRUCTURAL FOUNDATIONS

Foundation design and construction involve engineering, economic, and constructability considerations pertinent to the particular site in question. The engineering considerations are addressed by determining the foundation loads and performance requirements, development of the foundation design parameters and design analysis. The design analysis coupled with past experience will provide several feasible foundation alternatives.

The next step involves an economics evaluation of potential foundations. Several foundation alternatives may be satisfactory for the subsurface conditions while also meeting superstructure requirements. However, of all the foundation alternatives, generally only one will have the least possible cost.

Last, the constructability of a potential foundation must be considered. A potential foundation solution may appear to be the most economical from purely a design perspective, but may not be most economical when limitations on construction activities are fully considered. Constructability issues such as impact on adjacent structures, equipment, access, methods, work hours, *etc.*, must be considered in design.

# 2.1 ALTERNATE FOUNDATION CONSIDERATIONS

To determine the most feasible foundation alternatives, both shallow foundations and deep foundations should be considered. Deep foundation alternatives include both piles and drilled shafts. Proprietary deep foundations systems should not be excluded as they may be the most economical alternative in a given condition. This manual covers the design and construction of driven pile foundations. Therefore, design and construction procedures for shallow foundations and drilled shafts will not be covered herein. Additional details on spread footings for highway bridges may be found in FHWA/RD-86/185 Spread Footings for Highway Bridges by Gifford *et al.* (1987). The FHWA/ADSC publication FHWA-HI-88-042 by Reese and O'Neill (1988) summarizes design methods and construction procedures for drilled shafts.

A cost evaluation of all feasible foundation alternatives is essential in the selection of the optimum foundation system. Pile foundation cost data for completed projects can be obtained from statewide average bid prices available from state transportation agencies. Foundation contractors can also provide rough estimates on foundation items.

Cost analyses of all feasible alternatives may lead to the elimination of some foundations qualified under the engineering study. Other factors that must be considered in the final foundation selection are availability of materials and equipment, local contractor and construction force experience, as well as any environmental limitations/considerations on construction access or activities.

For major projects, if the estimated costs of alternatives during the design stage are within 15 percent of each other, then alternate foundation designs should be considered for inclusion in the contract documents. If an alternate design is included in the contract documents, both designs should be adequately detailed. For example, if two pile foundation alternatives are detailed, the bid quantity pile lengths should reflect the estimated pile lengths for each alternative. Otherwise, material costs and not the installed foundation cost will likely determine the low bid. Use of alternate foundation designs will generally provide the most cost effective foundation system.

As noted earlier, proprietary pile types should not be routinely excluded from consideration. In a given soil condition, a proprietary system may be the most economical foundation type. Therefore, a proprietary system should be considered as a viable foundation alternate when design analyses indicate the cost to be within 15% of a conventional design. A conventional design alternate should generally be included with a proprietary design alternate in the final project documents to stimulate competition.

# 2.2 USE OF VALUE ENGINEERING PROPOSALS

Value engineering is a cost saving technique that can be used either in the pre-bid or post bid stage of a contract. Value engineering consists of a five step logical thought process used to obtain the desired performance for the lowest cost achievable. The five steps may be described as follows:

1. Information gathering.

2. Information analysis to understand the problem.

3. Creative thinking to arrive at alternatives giving the same performance at lower costs.

- 4. Systematic judging of the results from step 3.
- 5. Detailing of selected alternatives from step 4.

Value engineering can readily be applied to foundation engineering by allowing the use of value engineering change proposals in design or construction contracts. The obvious benefit of value engineering to the owner is a lower cost foundation. The consultant or contractor reward for an alternative foundation solution is typically a percentage of the cost savings realized by the owner.

For value engineering to be successful, the owner must be assured that the foundation performance criteria remain satisfied. This requires the owner to engage knowledgeable experts to review and comment on submittals as well as to be actively involved in resolution of technical details. In some cases, design verification testing or more sophisticated construction control may be required in order to confirm foundation performance criteria. Lastly, the review of submitted proposals must also be completed in a reasonable time period.

Significant cost savings can result from value engineering. However, the cost savings should not be achieved by acceptance of unproven pile types, splices, *etc.* Proposed substitutions should be of equivalent quality and have a documented performance record in similar foundation installation conditions.

## 2.3 DESIGN - BUILD PROPOSALS

Another potential cost saving method is the use of design - build proposals. In this approach, the owner details the general project scope and performance requirements and solicits design - build proposals. New cost effective solutions may emerge from the design - build method since multiple firms are looking at the design and construction issues rather than a single designer. The design - build method also allows contractors to use their knowledge of special equipment or procedures. In design - build projects, it is important for the owner to understand and clearly communicate the project scope, performance requirements, and desired end product as well as method of measurement for payment. Failure to do so may result in a constructed product not meeting the owners expectations or failing to meet the agreed-upon budget.

# 2.4 EXAMPLES OF COST SAVINGS BY UTILIZING MODERN DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION CONTROL PRACTICES

There are many factors which enter into the cost of a structure foundation. A failure to understand and consider any one of them will add to the total cost of the work. Use of overly conservative designs and inappropriate construction practices may result in significantly greater foundation costs. These practices are also often associated with increased risk of large change orders or claims.

Use of modern design and construction methods, techniques, and equipment can provide an efficient foundation system without compromising safety or the service life of the structure. Outdated pile foundation practices usually lead either to extremely conservative and inefficient piling systems or unsafe foundations. Opportunities for rational design, construction, and cost savings exist in several areas of pile foundations. These opportunities are summarized in Table 2-1.

Transportation agencies that are taking advantage of modern design and construction control methods have reduced foundation costs while obtaining greater confidence in the safety and the service life of their structures. The following case histories present these facts very clearly:

	TABLE 2-1 COST SAVING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PILE FOUNDATIONS								
	Factor		Inadequacy of Older Methods		Cost Saving Recommendations		Remarks		
Α.	Design structural load capacity of piles.	1.	Allowable pile material stresses may not address site specific considerations.	1.	Use realistic allowable stresses for pile materials in conjunction with adequate construction control procedures, <i>i.e.</i> , load testing, dynamic testing and wave equation.	1.	Rational consideration of Factors A and B may decrease cost of a foundation by 25 percent or more.		
В.	Design geotechnical capacity of soil and rock to carry load transferred by piles.	1. 2. 3.	Inadequate subsurface explorations and laboratory testing. Rules of thumb and prescription values used in lieu of static design may result in overly conservative designs. High potential for change orders and claims.	1. 2. 3. 4.	Perform thorough subsurface exploration including in-situ and laboratory testing to determine design parameters. Use rational and practical methods of design. Perform wave equation driveability analysis. Use design stage pile load testing on large pile driving projects to determine load capacities (load tests during design stage).	1. 2.	Reduction of safety factor can be justified because some of the uncertainties about load carrying capacities of piles are reduced. Rational pile design will generally lead to shorter pile lengths and/or smaller number of piles.		
C.	Alternate foundation design.	1.	Alternate foundation designs are rarely used even when possibilities of cost savings exist by allowing alternates in contract documents.	1.	For major projects, consider inclusion of alternate foundation designs in the contract documents if estimated costs of feasible foundation alternatives are within 15 percent of each other.	1.	Alternative designs often generate more competition which can lead to lower costs.		
D.	Plans and specifications.	1. 2.	Unrealistic specifications. Uncertainties due to inadequate subsurface explorations force the contractors to inflate bid prices.	1. 2.	Prepare detailed contract documents based on thorough subsurface explorations, understanding of contractors' difficulties and knowledge of pile techniques and equipment. Provide subsurface information to the contractor.	1. 2.	Lower bid prices will result if the contractor is provided with all the available subsurface information. Potential for contract claims is reduced with realistic specifications.		
E.	Construction determination of pile load capacity during installation.	1.	Often used dynamic formulas such as Engineering News are unreliable. Correlations between load capacities determined from Engineering News formula and static load tests indicate safety factors ranging from less than 1 ( <i>i.e.</i> failure) to about 20 ( <i>i.e.</i> excessive foundation cost).	1. 2. 3.	Eliminate use of dynamic formulas for construction control as experience is gained with the wave equation analysis. Use wave equation analysis coupled with dynamic monitoring for construction control and load capacity evaluation. Use pile load tests on projects to substantiate capacity predictions by wave equation and dynamic monitoring.	1. 2. 3.	Reduced factor of safety may allow shorter pile lengths and/or smaller number of piles. Pile damage due to excessive driving can be eliminated by using dynamic monitoring equipment. Increased confidence and lower risk results from improved construction control.		

# 1. Oregon Department of Transportation - Alsea River Bridge

The Alsea River Bridge is a 890 meter long concrete arch structure that was completed in 1991 at a cost of about \$35 million. The bridge is supported on 33 to 43 meter long piles driven through thick sand and silt deposits to an underlying siltstone bedrock. The preliminary foundation design was based on a design load of 1335 kN per pile. Approximately 29,850 linear meters of steel pipe piling was anticipated in this foundation design.

Early during the design stage of the Alsea River Bridge project, a pile load test program was conducted as part of FHWA Demonstration Project 66. The static load test frame, dynamic pile testing services, static load testing services and associated technical support were provided as part of the FHWA demonstration project. Both a 508 mm square prestressed concrete pile and a 610 mm diameter steel pipe pile with a wall thickness of 13 mm were driven and load tested.

As a result of this design stage test program, the final foundation design utilized a design load of 2670 kN or twice the design load anticipated in the preliminary design. This resulted in both the number of piles and the pile material quantity being reduced by about one half. As part of the final design, selected production piles were dynamically tested for pile capacity confirmation.

Table 2-2 summarizes the test program costs as well as the foundation savings realized from the design stage test program. The test program cost roughly \$350,000 and resulted in a net foundation cost savings of \$2.1 million or a benefit-cost ratio in excess of 6:1. The foundation cost savings do not consider the cost savings from other items such as smaller footing and cofferdam sizes or reduced construction time making the actual savings even greater. The net foundation cost savings was 6% of the total bridge cost.

TABLE 2-2 FOUNDATION COST SAVINGS FOR THE ALSEA RIVER BRIDGE					
Test Program Costs	Static Load Test	\$210,000			
	Load Frame and FHWA Technical Services	\$100,000 *			
	Dynamic Testing of Production Piles	\$40,000			
	Total Cost	\$350,000			
Foundation Savings	Elimination of 14,922 Linear Meters of Piling at \$164/m	\$2,447,000			
	Smaller Footing and Cofferdam Sizes	Not Quantified			
	Decreased Foundation Construction Time from Fewer Piles	Not Quantified			
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Total Savings	\$2,447,000			
Net Cost Savings		\$2,097,000			
Benefit - Cost Ratio		>6:1			
Net Savings as Percentage of Total Bridge Cost		6%			

\* Estimated Cost

# 2. Washington Department of Transportation - Third Lake Washington Bridge

The Third Lake Washington Bridge is a 2560 meter long bridge that carries I-90 over Lake Washington. The bridge has a total cost of approximately \$96 million with \$64 million for a floating main structure and the remainder for the approach structures that are pile supported. The approach structures were located in water depths of up to 28 meters.

The preliminary foundation design for the approach structures recommended a pile design load of 2670 kN for either 1219 mm diameter steel pipe piles with a wall thickness of 32 mm or 1372 mm diameter prestressed concrete cylinder piles. The soil profile consisted of loose sands and silts over a very dense granular glacial till. It was believed that the pile design load could be increased if pile capacity and driveability into the glacial till could be verified through a testing program. Pile driveability into the glacial till was a critical design requirement for both compression and uplift loading.

A pile load test program was conducted as part of FHWA Demonstration Project 66. The static load test frame, dynamic pile testing services, static load testing services and associated technical support were provided as part of the FHWA demonstration project. For the test program, 1219 mm closed end pipe piles were chosen in order to develop high toe resistances in the glacial till and thereby support large compression loads. Preliminary wave equation analyses indicated that a 19 mm wall thickness could be used instead of the 32 mm wall thickness. To meet uplift requirements, a short non-displacement pile section was spliced below the pipe pile closure plate. Two pipe piles were driven and statically load tested in both compression and tension as part of the test program. One of the two piles was fitted with a 3 m long H-pile section below the pipe pile closure plate and the other with a 3 m long, 1219 mm diameter open pipe section.

As a result of this design stage test program, the final foundation design utilized a design load of 4450 kN, or a 67% increase from the design load anticipated in the preliminary design. Preliminary wave equation analysis results confirmed by test program dynamic and static compression load test results made possible a 40% reduction in the pile wall thickness over the preliminary design pile section. Based on the tension load test results, the H-pile section below the pipe pile closure plate provided the higher uplift capacity and was therefore chosen for final design. The test program reduced the number of foundation piles required and lowered pile material costs. Table 2-3 summarizes the test program costs as well as the foundation savings realized from the design stage test program. The test program cost roughly \$500,000 and resulted in a net foundation cost savings of \$5 million or a benefit-cost ratio of 10:1. The foundation cost savings includes the cost savings from the increased design load and thus fewer foundation piles, the reduced pile wall thickness, and the smaller pile cap size. The net foundation cost savings was 15% of the pile supported approach structure cost. Additional information on the Third Lake Washington Bridge project may be found in Vanikar and Wilson (1986).

TABLE 2-3 FOUNDATION COST BRIDGE			SAVINGS FOR THE THIRD LAKE WASHINGTON			
Test Program Costs			2-Compression Load Tests	\$500,000		
		•	2-Uplift Load Tests			
		•	2-Reaction Pile and Frame Setups			
		•	Dynamic Testing			
Foundation Savings			Fewer Piles through 67% Increase in Pile Design Load	\$5,500,000		
		•	Reduced Material Costs Resulting from 40% Reduction in Pile Wall Thickness			
		•	Smaller Pile Cap Size			
Net Cost Savi	ngs			\$5,000,000		
Benefit - Cost Ratio				>10:1		
Net Savings as Percentage of Approach Bridge Cost				15%		

# 3. Oregon Department of Transportation - Construction Stage Load Tests

The Oregon Department of Transportation has conducted static pile load tests during the construction stage of several bridge projects. The purpose for these load tests was to determine the pile lengths needed. Table 2-4 presents a summary of the cost savings achieved on three Oregon DOT projects.

At the Denny Road Interchange Project, two 305 mm square prestressed concrete piles were load tested. The design load was 445 kN with an ultimate pile capacity of 890 kN. Static pile capacity calculations showed that 12 m long piles were needed. A 9 m long load test pile provided an ultimate capacity of approximately 1600 kN. The 9 m long piles (safety factor = 3.6) were used, providing a 3 m reduction in pile length for each of the 542 piles. The reduced pile length resulted in a net cost saving of \$55,000.

At the Allen Boulevard Interchange static analysis showed that 15 m pile lengths were needed for 305 mm square prestressed concrete piles. The ultimate pile capacity was 1245 kN for piles with a design load of 625 kN. Two piles each at two pier locations were load tested to failure. A 11 m long pile failed at 1174 kN. Another 11 m long pile and two 14 m long piles failed at loads in excess of 1780 kN. Therefore, a 12 m length was selected for production piles with an ultimate pile capacity of 1245 kN. The 3 m reduction in pile length for 516 production piles resulted in a net cost saving of \$60,000.

At the Airport Road Interchange (I-205), static analysis indicated that a pile length of approximately 40 m would be required to obtain an ultimate pile capacity of 1600 kN (design load of 800 kN) with some variations in length depending on the type of pile analyzed. The contract documents allowed the contractor the option to use HP 310x79 H-piles, 324 mm O.D. steel piles (closed ended and concrete filled) or 406 mm octagonal prestressed concrete piles. The project low bidder selected the 324 mm O.D. pipe piles. Two pipe piles were tested at each of two pier locations. At each location 30 m and 33 m long piles were load tested. The ultimate capacities of four load tested piles ranged from 1320 to 2260 kN. The final average length of production piles was 30 m compared to an estimated length of about 40 m. A net cost savings of \$135,000 was achieved on the 409 production piles.

These Oregon DOT projects were not large enough to justify the costs of separate load test programs during the design stage. However, these case histories show cost savings can be achieved from construction stage load tests.

TABLE 2-4 FOUNDATION COST SAVINGS FOR OREGON BRIDGES								
Bridge Location	No. of Pile Supported Foundation Units	Pile Size and Type	Reduction in Pile Length	Basis for Reduction in Length	Net Actual Savings	Savings % of Bridge Cost	Savings % of Pile Cost	Remarks
SR 17 Denney Road Interchange, Washington County	14	305 mm square prestressed concrete; 9 m long (combination of toe resistance and shaft resistance in very stiff silty clay).	3 m length reduction in each of 542 piles	Pile load tests with factor of safety of 3.6	\$55,000	3.1%	26.0%	More savings would have resulted from a reduction in factor of safety to 2.0.
SR 217 Allen Boulevard Interchange, Washington County	12	305 mm square prestressed concrete; 12 m long. (combination of toe resistance and shaft resistance in very stiff silty clay).	3 m length reduction in each of 516 piles.	Pile load tests with factor of safety of 2	\$60,000	1.9%	19.7%	
I-205 Airport Road Interchange, Multnomah County	. 23	324 mm O.D. steel pipe, concrete filled; 30 m long. (combination of toe resistance and shaft resistance in medium to dense sand).	9 m length reduction in each of 409 piles	Pile load tests with factor of safety of 2	\$135,000	4.1%	25.4%	

# 4. North Carolina Department of Transportation - U.S. 17 Bridges

The North Carolina DOT provided two alternate foundation designs in the contract documents for the dual U.S. 17 Bridges over the Dismal Swamp Canal. Alternate No. 1 was the standard State foundation design and consisted of 559 mm octagonal prestressed concrete piles. Alternate No. 2 consisted of 1372 mm prestressed concrete cylinder piles.

Only one contractor submitted a bid on Alternate No. 1, the standard State pile foundation design. This bid totaled 3.7 million dollars for the foundation items. Five contractors submitted bids for Alternate No. 2. These bids ranged from 2.9 to 4.4 million dollars for the foundation items. The low bid for the bridge contract was for Alternate No. 2 with the 2.9 million dollar bid for the foundation items. Hence, an apparent savings of 0.8 million dollars was achieved over the State's standard pile foundation alternate.

This case history illustrates that alternate designs generate competition and can result in cost savings.

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# 3. OVERVIEW OF PILE FOUNDATION DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION

# 3.1 DESIGN OF PILE FOUNDATIONS

As stated by Professor R. B. Peck, "driving piles for a foundation is a crude and brutal process". The interactions among the piles and the surrounding soil are complex. Insertion of piles generally alters the character of the soil and intense strains are set up locally near the piles. The nonhomogenity of soils, along with the effects of the pile group and pile shape, add further difficulties to the understanding of soil-pile interaction.

Broad generalizations about pile behavior are unrealistic. An understanding of the significance of several factors involved is required to be successful in the design of pile foundations. Because of the inherent complexities of pile behavior, it is necessary to use practical semi-empirical methods of design, and to focus attention on significant factors rather than minor or peripheral details. The foundation engineer must have a thorough understanding of foundation loads, subsurface conditions including soil/rock properties and behavior, the significance of special design events, foundation performance criteria, and current practices in foundation design and construction in the area where the work is to be done to arrive at the optimum foundation solution.

# 3.2 CONSTRUCTION OF PILE FOUNDATIONS

Construction of a successful driven pile foundation that meets the design objectives depends on relating the requirements of the static analysis methods presented on the plans to the dynamic methods of field installation and construction control. The tools for obtaining such a foundation must be explicitly incorporated into the plans and specifications as well as included in the contract administration of the project.

It is important that a pile foundation be installed to meet the design requirements for compressive, lateral and uplift capacity. This may dictate driving piles for a required ultimate capacity or to a predetermined length established by the designer. It is equally important to avoid pile damage or foundation cost overruns by excessive driving. These objectives can all be satisfactorily achieved by use of wave equation analysis, dynamic monitoring of pile driving, and static load testing. Commonly used dynamic formulas,

such as Engineering News formula, have proven unreliable as pile capacities increased and more sophisticated pile installation equipment was routinely used by contractors.

Knowledgeable construction supervision and inspection are the keys to proper installation of piles. State-of-the-art designs and detailed plans and specifications must be coupled with good construction supervision to achieve desired results.

Post construction review of pile driving results versus predictions regarding pile driving resistances, pile length, field problems, and load test capacities is essential. These reviews add to the experience of all engineers involved on the project and will enhance their skills.

# 3.3 GEOTECHNICAL INVOLVEMENT IN PILE FOUNDATION PROJECT PHASES

The input of an experienced geotechnical engineer from the planning stage through project design and construction is essential to produce a successful driven pile foundation. The geotechnical engineer who specializes in foundation design is the most knowledgeable person for selecting the pile type, estimating pile length, and choosing the most appropriate method to determine ultimate pile capacity. Therefore, the geotechnical engineer should be involved throughout the design and construction process. In some project phases, *i.e.* preliminary explorations, preliminary design, and final design, the geotechnical engineer will have significant involvement. In other project phases, such as construction, and post construction review, the geotechnical engineer's involvement may be more of a technical services role. The geotechnical engineer's involvement provides the needed continuity of design personnel in dealing with design issues through the construction stage.

# 3.4 DRIVEN PILE DESIGN-CONSTRUCTION PROCESS

The driven pile design and construction process has aspects that are unique in all of structural design. Because the driving characteristics are related to pile capacity for most soils, they can be used to improve the accuracy of the pile capacity estimate. In general, the various methods of determining pile capacity from dynamic data such as driving resistance with wave equation analysis and dynamic measurements are considerably more accurate than the static analysis methods based on subsurface

exploration information. Furthermore, pile driveability is a very important aspect of the process and must be considered during the design phase. If the design is completed, a contractor is selected, and then the piles cannot be driven, large costs can be generated. It is absolutely necessary that the design and construction phases be linked in a way that does not exist elsewhere in construction.

The driven pile design-construction process is outlined in the flow chart of Figure 3.1. This flow chart will be discussed block by block using the numbers in the blocks as a reference and it will serve to guide the designer through all of the tasks that must be completed.

## Block 1: Establish Requirements for Structural Conditions and Site Characterization

The first step in the entire process is to determine the general structure requirements.

- 1. Is the project a new bridge, a replacement bridge, a bridge renovation, a retaining wall, a noise wall, or sign or light standard?
- 2. Will the project be constructed in phases or all at one time?
- 3. What are the general structure layout and approach grades?
- 4. What are the surficial site characteristics?
- 5. Is the structure subjected to any special design events such as seismic, scour, debris, vessel impact, *etc.*? If there are special design events, the design requirements for the event should be reviewed at this stage so that these considerations can be factored into the site investigation.
- 6. Are there possible modifications in the structure that may be desirable for the site under consideration?
- 7. What are the approximate foundation loads? Are there deformation or deflection limitations beyond the usual requirements?





Figure 3.1 Driven Pile Design and Construction Process (continued)

# Block 2: Obtain General Site Geology

A great deal can be learned about the foundation requirements with even a very general understanding of the site geology. For small structures, this may involve only a very superficial investigation such as a visit to the site. The foundation design for very large structures may require extensive geologic studies.

# Block 3: Collect Foundation Experience from the Area

Frequently there is information available on foundations that have been constructed in the area. This information can be of assistance in avoiding problems. Both subsurface exploration information and foundation construction experience should be sought prior to selecting the foundation type.

# Block 4: Develop and Execute Subsurface Exploration Program

Based on the information obtained in Blocks 1-3 it is possible to make decisions regarding the necessary information that must be obtained at the site. The program must meet the needs of the design problem that is to be solved at a cost consistent with the size of the structure. The subsurface exploration program as well as the appropriate laboratory testing must be selected. The results of the subsurface exploration program and the laboratory testing are used to prepare a subsurface profile and identify critical cross sections. These tasks are covered in greater detail in Chapters 4, 5, and 6.

# Block 5: Evaluate Information and Select Foundation System

The information collected in Blocks 1-4 must be evaluated and a foundation system selected. The first question to be decided is whether a shallow or a deep foundation is required. This question will be answered based primarily on the strength and compressibility of the site soils, the proposed loading conditions, and the project performance criteria. If settlement is not a problem for the structure, then a shallow foundation will probably be the most economical solution. Ground improvement techniques in conjunction with shallow foundations should be evaluated. Shallow and deep foundation interaction with approach embankments must also be considered. If the performance of a shallow foundation exceeds the structure performance criteria, a deep foundation must be used. The design of shallow foundations and ground improvement techniques are not covered in this manual. The problem of selecting the proper foundation system is discussed in detail in Chapter 7.

Refined foundation loading information and performance criteria should be established at this time. In Block 1, this issue was considered. Probably the result of that effort has matured in the intervening time (which might be quite long for some projects) and better defined foundation loads and performance criteria should now be available. The geotechnical engineer must obtain a completely defined and unambiguous set of foundation loads and performance requirements in order to proceed through the foundation design.

#### Block 6: Deep Foundation

The decision among deep foundation types is now divided between driven piles and drilled shafts. What is really intended is the difference between driven piles and all other deep foundation systems. These other deep foundation systems have been called a drilled shaft but would also include auger cast piles, micropiles and other drilled-in deep foundation systems. The questions that must be answered in deciding between driven piles and other deep foundation systems. In addition, constructability must be considered. This manual is concerned with driven piles so the other types of deep foundations will not be discussed here. The selection of a deep foundation system is discussed in Chapter 7.

#### Blocks 7 and 8: Driven Pile - Select Driven Pile Type

At this point on the flow chart, the primary concern is for the design of a driven pile foundation. The pile type must be selected consistent with the applied load per pile. Consider this problem. The general magnitude of the column or pier loads is known from the information obtained in Blocks 1 and 5. However, a large number of combinations of pile capacities and pile types can satisfy the design requirements. Should twenty, 1000 kN capacity piles be used to carry a 20,000 kN load, or would it be better to use ten, 2000 kN capacity piles? This decision should consider both the structural capacity of a pile and the realistic geotechnical capacities of the pile type for the soil conditions at the site, the cost of the available alternative piles, and the capability of available construction contractors to drive the selected pile. Of course, there are many geotechnical factors that must also be considered. At this stage the loads must be firmly established. In Block 1, approximate loads were determined. At that time the other aspects of the total structural design were probably not sufficiently advanced to establish the final design loads. By the time that Block 5 has been reached the structural engineer should have finalized the various loads. One of the most common inadequacies that is discovered when foundation problems arise is that the design loads were never really accurately defined.

In the former use of the dynamic formula, the pile load specified was a design or working load since a factor of safety was contained in the formula. Modern methods of pile capacity determination **always** use ultimate loads with a factor of safety selected and applied. This should also be made clear in the job specifications so that the contractor has no question regarding the driving requirements.

If there are special design events to be considered, they must be included in the determination of the loads. Vessel impact will be evaluated primarily by the structural engineer and the results of that analysis will give pile design loads for this case. There may be stiffness considerations in dealing with vessel impact since the design requirement is basically a requirement that some vessel impact energy be absorbed.

Scour presents a different requirement. The loads due to the forces from the stream must be determined as specified in the AASHTO Standard Specification for Highway Bridges, Section 3.18 and this should be included in the structural engineer's load determination process. The depth of scour must also be determined as directed in AASHTO Specification, Section 4.3.5. In the design process, it must be assured that after scour the pile will still have adequate capacity.

In many locations in the country, seismic loads will be an important contributor to some of the critical pile load conditions. Since the 1971 San Fernando Earthquake, much more emphasis has been placed on seismic design considerations in the design of highway bridges. The AASHTO Standard Specifications for Highway Bridges has been substantially expanded to improve the determination of the seismic loads. Usually the structural engineer will determine the seismic requirements. Frequently the behavior of the selected pile design will affect the structural response and hence the pile design loads. In this case, there will be another loop in the design process that includes the structural engineer. The geotechnical engineer should review the seismic design requirements in Division I-A of the AASHTO Bridge Design Specification for a general understanding of the design approach.

Pile selection is covered in more detail in Chapter 8.

# Block 9: Calculate Pile Length, Capacity, and Performance

For the selected pile type, perform static analyses to determine the length necessary to provide the required compression, uplift and lateral load capacity and to meet performance criteria. The calculation of the geotechnical pile capacity and performance under load is discussed in detail in Chapter 9 and structural pile capacity is discussed in Chapter 11. It may be necessary to change pile type or number of piles at this stage.

# Block 10: Calculate Driveability

At this point, the proposed pile type and length have been chosen to meet the foundation loading and performance requirements. However, the design is not complete until it can be verified that the chosen pile can be driven to the required capacity and penetration depth at a reasonable driving resistance without excessive driving stresses. This analysis is performed using the wave equation program. All of the necessary information is available except the hammer selection. Since the hammer to be used on the job will only be known after the contractor is selected, possible hammers must be tried to make sure that the pile is driveable to the capacity and depth required. Pile driveability is introduced in Chapter 9 with additional details on the use of wave equation analysis to check pile driveability described in Chapter 17. Allowable pile driving stresses are presented in Chapter 11.

## Block 11: Design Satisfactory

At this point in the process, all aspects of the design should be reviewed and if changes are indicated, the flow chart is re-entered at some earlier point and a new design is developed.

# Block 12: Prepare Plans and Specifications, Set Field Capacity Determination Procedure

When the design has been finalized, plans and specifications can be prepared and the procedures that will be used to verify pile capacity can be defined. It is important that all of the quality control procedures are clearly defined for the bidders to avoid claims after construction is underway. Construction specifications are discussed in Chapter 12 and the preparation of the foundation report is covered in Chapter 14.

# Block 13: Contractor Selection

After the bidding process is complete, a successful contractor is selected.

# Block 14: Perform Wave Equation Analysis of Contractor's Equipment Submission

At this point the engineering effort shifts to the field. The contractor will submit a description of the pile driving equipment that he intends to use on the job for the engineer's evaluation. Wave equation analysis is performed to determine the driving resistance that must be achieved in the field to meet the required capacity and pile penetration depth. Driving stresses are determined and evaluated. If all conditions are satisfactory, the equipment is approved for driving. Some design specifications make this information advisory to the contractor rather than mandatory. Chapters 11, 12, and 17 provide additional information in this area.

On smaller projects, a dynamic formula may be used to evaluate driveability and the Gates Formula should be used. If a dynamic formula is used, then driveability and hammer selection will be based on the driving resistance only, since stresses are not determined. The use of a dynamic formula is covered in more detail in Chapter 16.

# Block 15: Set Preliminary Driving Criteria

Based on the results of the wave equation analysis of Block 14 (or the Gates Formula) and any other requirements in the design, the preliminary driving criteria can be set.

# Block 16: Drive Test Pile and Evaluate Capacity

The test pile(s) are driven to the preliminary criteria developed in Block 15. Driving requirements may be defined by penetration, driving resistance, dynamic monitoring results or a combination of these conditions. The capacity can be evaluated by driving resistance from wave equation analysis, the results of dynamic monitoring, static load test, the Gates Formula, or a combination of these. Dynamic monitoring is described in Chapter 18. Static load test procedures are discussed in greater detail in Chapter 19 and dynamic formulas are covered in Chapter 16.

# Block 17: Adjust Driving Criteria or Design

At this stage the final conditions can be set or, if test results from Block 16 indicate the capacity is inadequate, the driving criteria may have to be changed. In a few cases, it may be necessary to make changes in the design as far back as Block 8. If major changes are required, it will be necessary to repeat Blocks 14, 15, and 16.

In some cases, it is desirable to perform preliminary field testing before final design. When the job is very large and the soil conditions are difficult, it may be possible to achieve substantial cost savings by having results from a design stage test pile program, including actual driving records at the site, as part of the bid package.

#### Block 18: Construction Control

After the driving criteria is set, the production pile driving begins. Quality control and assurance procedures have been established and are applied. Construction inspection items are discussed in greater detail in Chapter 24. Problems may arise and must be handled as they occur in a timely fashion.

# 3.5 COMMUNICATION

Good communication between all parties involved in the design and construction of a pile foundation is essential to reach a successful completion of the project. In the design stage, communication and interaction is needed between the structural, geotechnical, geologic, hydraulic, and construction disciplines, as well as with consultants, drill crews and laboratory personnel. In the construction stage, structural, geotechnical and construction disciplines need to communicate for a timely resolution of construction issues as they arise. Figures 3.2 and 3.3 highlight some of the key issues to be communicated in the design and construction stages.

DESIGN STAGE COMMUNICATION						
Subject	Structural	Geotechnical	Hydraulic	Construction	Field Crews	Laboratory
Preliminary Structure Loads and Performance Criteria.	x	XX	X			
Determination of Scour Potential.	x	   	X		     	
Determination of Special Design Event Requirements.	x	 	X	 	     	
Review of Past Construction Problems in Project Area.	x	 	X	  x	2 	
Implementation of Subsurface Exploration and Testing Programs.	x		×	     1   	   	×
Determination of Pile Type, Length and Capacity.	×	  X				
Effect of Approach Fills on Design.	×	х	         			       
Prepare Plans and Specifications.	X	 	     X	X		       

Figure 3.2 Design Stage Communication

CONSTRUCTION STAGE COMMUNICATION						
Subject		Structural	Geotechnical	Construction		
Establish Appropriate Methods of Construct and Quality Assurance.	ction Control	X	X	——Х		
Perform Wave Equation Analysis of Contra System to Establish Driving Criteria.	actors Driving	X	X	——Х		
Perform Static Load Test(s) and/or Dynam and Adjust Driving Criteria.	nic Monitoring	X	×	X		
Resolve Pile Installation Problems / Constr	ruction Issues.	X	Х	——Х		

Figure 3.3 Construction Stage Communication



#### 4. SUBSURFACE EXPLORATIONS

The design of a structure's foundation requires adequate knowledge of the subsurface conditions at the construction site. If the designer has the appropriate information, then an economical foundation system can be designed. The absence of a thorough foundation study or adequate geotechnical data often leads to (1) a foundation system with a large factor of safety which is generally a more expensive foundation and in some cases one that may be difficult to construct, or to (2) an unsafe foundation, or to (3) construction disputes and claims.

A thorough foundation study consists of a subsurface exploration program (which includes borings, sampling, groundwater measurements, and in-situ testing); laboratory testing; geotechnical analysis of all data; a determination of design properties; and design recommendations. This chapter covers the subsurface exploration portion of a foundation design study in a concise manner. A more detailed treatment of this chapter's subject matter may be found in the AASHTO Manual on Subsurface Investigations (1988). Chapter 5 of this manual focuses on in-situ testing which is also considered part of a subsurface exploration, and Chapter 6 discusses laboratory testing. This chapter assumes that a decision with regard to the foundation type, *i.e.*, shallow or deep has not yet been made.

## 4.1 SUBSURFACE EXPLORATION PHASES

There are three major phases in a subsurface exploration program. These phases are (1) planning the exploration program (office work), (2) completing a field reconnaissance survey, and (3) performing a detailed site exploration program (boring, sampling, and in-situ testing). Each phase should be planned so that a maximum amount of information can be obtained at a minimum cost. Each phase also adds to, or supplements, the information from the previous phase. Table 4-1 lists the purpose of each exploration phase.

TABLE 4-			1 SUBSURFACE EXPLORATION PHASES				
Phase	Activity		Pur	pose	Remarks		
1.	Planning exploratic (Office W	the on ork).	Α.	<ul> <li>Obtain structure information.</li> <li>Determine: <ol> <li>Type of structure.</li> <li>Preliminary location of piers and abutments.</li> <li>Loading and special design events.</li> <li>Allowable differential settlement and other performance criteria.</li> <li>Any special features and requirements.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	See Table 4-2 for sources of information.		
			В.	Obtain drilling records for nearby structures and from local well drillers. Perform literature reviews including maintenance records, pile driving records, scour history, etc.			
			D. Ob	Review FHWA deep foundation load test data base. tain overall picture of subsurface conditions			
	<u> </u>	••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	lin t	the area.	L		
2.	Field Rec Survey	connaissance	B.	<ul> <li>ify information gained from the office phase</li> <li>plan the detailed subsurface exploration.</li> <li>Observe, verify and collect information</li> <li>regarding: <ol> <li>Topographic and geologic features.</li> <li>New and old construction in the area including utilities. Performance of existing structures.</li> <li>Drilling equipment required, cost, and access for the equipment.</li> </ol> </li> <li>If appropriate, conduct geophysical testing</li> </ul>	Field reconnaissance is often conducted by a multi- disciplined team.		
	Detaile	Cubourfor-		to obtain preliminary subsurface information.			
J.	Explorati	SUDSUITACE on	De ph mc pe is Th fol	<ul> <li>e subsurface exploration should provide the lowing:</li> <li>1. Depth and thickness of strata (subsurface profile).</li> <li>2. In-situ field tests to determine soil design parameters.</li> <li>3. Samples to determine soil and rock design parameters.</li> <li>4. Groundwater levels including perched, regional, and any artesian conditions</li> </ul>	For major structures, the pilot boring program is often supplemented with control and verification boring programs.		

# 4.1.1 Planning the Exploration Program (office work)

The purpose of this phase is to obtain information about the proposed structure and general information on the subsurface conditions. The structural information can be obtained from studying the preliminary structure plan prepared by the bridge design office and by meeting with the structural designer. Approach embankment preliminary design and performance requirements can be obtained from the roadway office. General information about the subsurface conditions can be obtained from a variety of sources listed in Table 4-2. The planning phase prepares the engineer for the field reconnaissance survey, and identifies possible problems and areas to scrutinize.

# 4.1.2 Field Reconnaissance Survey

The purpose of this phase is to substantiate the information gained from the office phase and to plan the detailed site exploration program. The field reconnaissance for a structure foundation exploration should include:

- a. Inspection of nearby structures to determine their performance with the particular foundation type used.
- b. Inspection of existing structure footings and stream banks for evidence of scour (for stream crossings) and movement. Large boulders in a stream are often an indication of obstructions which may be encountered in pile installations.
- c. Visual examination of terrain for evidence of landslides.
- d. Recording of the location, type and depth of existing structures which may be affected by the new structure construction.
- e. Relating site conditions to proposed boring operations. This includes recording the locations of both overhead and below ground utilities, site access, private property restrictions, and other obstructions.
- f. Recording of any feature or constraint which may impact the constructability of potential foundation systems.

Table 4-3 contains an example of a field reconnaissance form modified from the AASHTO Foundation Investigation Manual (1978) for recording data pertinent to a site.

TABLE 4-2 SOURCES OF SUBSURFACE INFORMATION AND USE						
Source No.	Source	Use				
1.	Preliminary structure plans prepared by the bridge design office.	<ol> <li>Determine:</li> <li>Type of structure.</li> <li>Preliminary locations of piers and abutments.</li> <li>Footing loads and special design events.</li> <li>Allowable differential settlement and performance criteria.</li> <li>Any special features and requirements.</li> </ol>				
2.	Construction plans and records for nearby structures.	Foundation type, old boring data, construction information including construction problems.				
3.	Topographic maps prepared by the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey (USC and GS), United States Geological Survey (USGS) and State Geology survey.	Existing physical features shown; find landform boundaries and determine access for exploration equipment. Maps from different dates can be used to determine topographic changes over time.				
4.	County agricultural soil survey maps and reports prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA).	Boundaries of landforms shown; appraisal of general shallow subsurface conditions.				
5.	Air photos prepared by the United States Geological Survey (USGS) or others.	Detailed physical relief shown; gives indication of major problems such as old landslide scars, fault scarps, buried meander channels, sinkholes, or scour; provides basis for field reconnaissance.				
6.	Well drilling record or water supply bulletins from state geology or water resources department.	Old well records or borings with general soils data shown; estimate required depth of explorations and preliminary cost of foundations.				
7.	Geologic maps and Geology bulletins.	Type, depth and orientation of rock formations.				
8.	FHWA deep foundation load test data base.	Locate prior load test by geologic province, state, city, or geologic coordinates, provides information on soil and pile types.				

# TABLE 4-3 EXAMPLE FIELD RECONNAISSANCE REPORT FORM

Bridge Foundation Investigation Field Reconnaissance Report Department of Transportation

Project No:	County Sta. No
Reported By:	Date
1. Staking of Line Well Staked Poorly Staked (We ca Request Division to F	8. Bridge Site - Continued Cut Section - m an work) Fill Section - m Restake If Stream Crossing:
2. Bench Marks In Place: Yes No Distance from bridge - m	Can Cable Be Stretched Across Stream?
3. Property Owners Granted Permission: Yes No Remarks on Back	How Long?         Is Outboard Motorboat Necessary?         Current:         Swift       Moderate         Describe Streambanks scour.
4. Utilities Will Drillers Encounter Underground or Overhead Utilities? Yes No Maybe At Which Holes? What Type? Who to See for Definite Location	If Present Bridge Nearby:         Type of Foundation         Any Problems Evident in Old Bridge Including         Scour         (describe on back)         Is Water Nearby for Wet Drilling - m         Are Abandoned Foundations in Proposed         Alignment?
<ol> <li>Geologic Formation</li> <li>Surface Soils Sand Clay Sandy Cla Muck Silt Other</li> </ol>	9. Ground Water Table Close to Surface - m nearby Wells - Depth - m Intermediate Depth - m Artesian head - m
7. General Site Description Topography Level Rolling Hill Valley Swamp Groundcover Cleared Farmed Buildin Heavy Woods Light Woo Other Remarks on Back	10. Rock       Boulders Over Area? Yes No         side       Definite Outcrop? Yes No         Gullied       (show sketch on back)         What kind?       What kind?         gs       11. Special Equipment Necessary
8. Bridge Site Replacing Widening Relocation Check Appropriate Equipment Truck Mounted Drill Rig Track Mounted Drill Rig Failing 1500 Truck Mounted Skid Rig Skid Rig Rock Coring Rig	12. Remarks on Access     (Describe any Problems on Access)     13. Debris and Sanitary Dumps     Stations     Remarks
Wash Boring Equipment Water Wagon Pump Hose m	Reference: Modified from 1978 AASHTO Foundation Investigation Manual

# 4.1.3 Detailed Site Exploration

The purpose of any boring program is not just to drill a hole, but to obtain representative information on the subsurface conditions, to recover disturbed and undisturbed soil samples, and to permit in-situ testing. This information provides factual basis upon which all subsequent steps in the pile design and construction process are based. It's quality and completeness are of paramount importance. Each step in the process directly or indirectly relies on this data.

The first step in this phase is to prepare a preliminary boring, sampling, and in-situ testing plan. For major structures, pilot borings are usually performed at a few select locations during the preliminary planning stage. These pilot borings establish a preliminary subsurface profile and thus identify key soil strata for testing and analysis in subsequent design stage borings. During the design stage of major structures, a two phase boring program is recommended. First, control borings are performed at key locations identified in the preliminary subsurface profile to determine what, if any, adjustments are appropriate in the design stage exploration program. Following analysis of the control boring data, verification borings are then performed to fill in the gaps in the design stage exploration program.

# 4.2 GUIDELINES FOR MINIMUM STRUCTURE EXPLORATION PROGRAMS

The cost of a boring program is comparatively small in relation to the foundation cost. For example, the cost of one 60 mm diameter boring is less than the cost of one 305 mm diameter pile. However, in the absence of adequate boring data, the design engineer must rely on extremely conservative designs with high safety factors. At the same time, the designer assumes enormous risk and uncertainty during the project's construction.

The number of borings required, their spacing, and sampling intervals depend on the uniformity of soil strata and loading conditions. Erratic subsurface conditions require closely spaced borings. Structures sensitive to settlements or subjected to heavy loads require detailed subsurface knowledge. In these cases borings should be closely spaced. Rigid rules for number, spacing, and depth of borings cannot be established. However, the following are general "guidelines" useful in preparing a boring plan.
- 1. A minimum of one boring with sampling should be performed at each pier or abutment. The boring pattern should be staggered at opposite ends of adjacent footings. Pier and abutment footings over 30 m in length require borings at the extremities of the substructure units.
- 2. Estimate required boring depths from data gathered in the planning and field reconnaissance phases. Confirmation of boring depth suitability for design purposes should be made by the geotechnical engineer as soon as possible after field crews initiate a boring program. Although less preferred, it may be possible for field crews to adjust boring depths using a resistance criteria such as: "Structure foundation borings shall be terminated when a minimum SPT resistance of 50 blows per 300 mm has been maintained for 7.5 m". (This rule is intended for preliminary guidance to drillers. For heavy structures with high capacity piles, the borings must go deeper. A resistance criteria may also be inappropriate in some geologic conditions such as sites with boulder fields.)
- 3. All borings should extend through unsuitable strata, such as unconsolidated fill, peat, highly organic materials, soft fine grained soils and loose coarse-grained soils to reach hard or dense materials. Where stiff or dense soils are encountered at shallow depths, one or more borings should be extended through this material to a depth where the presence of underlying weaker strata cannot affect stability or settlement of the structure.
- 4. Standard Penetration Test (SPT) samples should be obtained at 1.5 m intervals or at changes in material with the test data recorded in accordance with AASHTO T206. Undisturbed tube samples should be obtained in accordance with AASHTO T207 at sites where cohesive soils are encountered. The location and frequency of undisturbed soil sampling should be based on project requirements.
- 5. When rock is encountered at shallow depths, additional borings or other investigation methods such as probes, test pits, or geophysical tests may be needed to define the rock profile. When feasible, borings should extend a minimum of 3 m into rock having an average core recovery of 50% or greater with an NX-core barrel (54 mm diameter core).

- 6. Drill crews should maintain a field drilling log of boring operations. The field log should include a summary of drilling procedures including SPT hammer type, sample depth and recovery, strata changes, and visual classification of soil samples. The field log should also include pertinent driller's observations such as location of ground water table, boulders, loss of drilling fluids, artesian pressures, *etc.* Disturbed and undisturbed soil samples as well as rock cores should be properly labeled, placed in appropriate storage containers (undisturbed tube samples should be sealed in the field), and properly transported to the soils laboratory.
- 7. The water level reading in a bore hole should be made during drilling, at completion of the bore hole, and a minimum of 24 hours after completion of the bore hole. Long term readings may require installation of an observation well or piezometer in the bore hole. More than one week may be required to obtain representative water level readings in low permeability cohesive soils or in bore holes stabilized with some drilling muds.
- 8. All bore holes should be properly backfilled and sealed following completion of the subsurface exploration program, data collection, and analysis. Bore hole sealing is particularly important where groundwater migration may adversely effect the existing groundwater conditions (aquifer contamination) or planned construction (integrity of tremie seals in future cofferdams).

These guidelines should result in subsurface exploration data that clearly identify subsurface stratigraphy and any unusual conditions, allow laboratory assessments of soil strength and compressibility, and document the groundwater table conditions. This information permits a technical evaluation of foundation options and probable costs.

## 4.3 METHODS OF SUBSURFACE EXPLORATION

The most widely used method of subsurface exploration is drilling holes into the ground from which samples are collected for visual classification and laboratory testing. Table 4-4 summarizes the advantages and disadvantages of four commonly used soil boring methods, as well as rock coring, test pits and geophysical methods.

Γ	TABLE 4-4 METHODS OF SUBSURFACE EXPLORATIONS*										
	Method	Depth	Type of Samples Taken	Advantages	Disadvantages	Remarks					
1. 2.	Seismic Resistivity	Usually less than 30 m.	No samples are taken.	<ol> <li>Less expensive than borings.</li> <li>Complements borings.</li> <li>Data obtained very quickly.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Indirect method of exploration, no samples are taken.</li> <li>Interpretation of data is critical and requires substantial experience.</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Main uses are described in AASHTO (1988). Additional limitations of seismic methods are: <ol> <li>Soil layers must increase in seismic velocities with depth.</li> <li>The layer must be thick.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>					
3.	Wash Boring	Depends on the equipment. Most equipment can drill to depths of 30 m or more.	Disturbed and undisturbed.	<ol> <li>Borings of small and large diameter.</li> <li>Equipment is relatively inexpensive.</li> <li>Equipment is light.</li> <li>Washwater provides an indication of change in materials.</li> <li>Method does not interfere with permeability tests.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Slow rate of progress.</li> <li>Not suitable for materials containing stones and boulders.</li> </ol>	Hole advanced by a combination of the chopping action of a light bit and jetting action of the water coming through the bit.					
4.	Rotary Drilling	Depends on the equipment. Most equipment can drill to depths of 60 m or more.	Disturbed and undisturbed.	<ol> <li>Suited for borings 100 to 150 mm in diameter.</li> <li>Most rapid method in most soils and rock.</li> <li>Relatively uniform hole with little disturbance to the soil below the bottom of hole.</li> <li>Experienced driller can detect changes based on rate of progress.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Drilling mud if used does not provide an indication of material change as the washwater does.</li> <li>Use of drilling mud hampers the performance of permeability tests.</li> </ol>	Hole advanced by rapid rotation of drilling bit and removal of material by water or drilling mud. Rock coring is performed by rotary drilling.					
5.	Auger Borings	Depends on the equipment. Most equipment can drill to depths of 30 to 60 m.	Disturbed and undisturbed.	<ol> <li>Boring advanced without water or drilling mud.</li> <li>Hollow stem auger acts as a casing.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Difficult to detect change in material.</li> <li>Heavy equipment required.</li> <li>Water level must be maintained in boring equal to or greater than existing water table to prevent sample disturbance.</li> </ol>	Hole advanced by rotating and simultaneously pressing an auger into the ground either mechanically or hydraulically.					
6.	Continuous Sample Method of Advance	Depends on the equipment.	Disturbed and undisturbed.	Almost continuous record of the soil profile can be obtained.	Generally much slower in soils and more expensive than other methods.	Boring advanced by wash method, rotary drilling or auger method and continuous samples are taken.					
7.	Rock Coring	Rotary drilling equipment is used to drill to depths of 60 m or more.	Continuous rock cores.	Helps differentiate between boulders and bedrock.	Can be slow and fairly expensive.	Several types of core barrels are used including wire line core barrels for deep drilling.					
8.	Test Pits	Usually less than 6 m.	Disturbed samples and undisturbed block samples.	Least sample disturbance. Valuable in erratic soil deposits such as old fills, landfills, and residual soil deposits.	<ol> <li>Limited depth.</li> <li>Slower and expensive.</li> </ol>	Power equipment used to excavate the pits. Test pits should be located so as not to disturb bearing stratum if footing foundations are feasible.					

\* Excluding in-situ tests.

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## 4.4 SOIL AND ROCK SAMPLING

One of the main purposes of a subsurface exploration program is to obtain **quality** soil and rock samples. Quality samples are important because soil identification and stratification, strength, and compressibility are all evaluated from samples recovered in the exploration program.

Soil samples are divided into two categories, disturbed and undisturbed. Disturbed samples are those which have experienced large structural disturbance during sampling operations and may be used for identification/classification tests. The primary disturbed sampling method is the split barrel sampler used in the Standard Penetration Test (SPT). The penetration resistance values obtained from the Standard Penetration Test are called N values. These N values provide an indication of soil density or consistency and shear strength. The recommended test procedures outlined in AASHTO T206 should be rigidly followed so that consistent, reliable SPT N values are obtained. SPT N values are commonly used for design of pile foundation design in granular soils. SPT N values are NOT RECOMMENDED for pile design in cohesive soils.

Undisturbed samples are those in which structural disturbance is kept to an absolute minimum. Undisturbed samples are used for consolidation tests and strength tests such as direct shear, triaxial shear and unconfined compression as well as for determining unit weight. Strength tests provide shear strength design parameters which are used in static analysis methods for pile foundation design. Consolidation tests provide parameters needed to estimate settlements of embankments, spread footings, or pile groups. Unit weight information is used in determining the effective overburden pressure.

Rock cores obtained from borings allow a qualitative evaluation of rock mass and distinguish between boulders and bedrock. Rock Quality Designation (RQD) values determined from cores indicate rock soundness and characteristics and may thereby be useful in estimating the compressive strength of the rock mass. Unconfined compression tests may also be performed on recovered, high quality core samples.

### 4.4.1 Disturbed Soil Samplers

The split barrel sampler (Figure 4.1) used in the Standard Penetration Test (SPT) is the primary disturbed soil sampler. The SPT test consists of driving a 51 mm O.D. (35 mm I.D.) split-spoon sampler into the soil with a 64 kg mass dropped 760 mm. The sampler is generally driven 450 mm, and the blow count for each 150 mm increment is recorded. The number of blows required to advance the sampler from a penetration depth of 150 mm to a penetration depth of 450 mm is the SPT resistance value, N.

The SPT hammer type and operational characteristics can have a significant influence on the resulting SPT N values. There are two main hammer types currently in use in the US, the safety hammer and the automatic hammer. A third hammer type, the donut hammer, was used almost exclusively prior to about 1970. However, it is seldom used now due to safety considerations. Figure 4.2 provides illustrations of the three SPT hammer types. The pile design charts and methods provided in Chapter 9 that use SPT N values are based on safety hammer correlations.

Finno (1989), reported on the results of a pile capacity prediction symposium. For this event, two soil borings were drilled less than 10 m apart in a uniform sand soil profile. SPT N values were obtained using a safety hammer in one boring and an automatic hammer in the other boring. Figure 4.3 presents a plot of the SPT N values versus depth from these two borings. The SPT N values from the safety hammer range from 1.9 to 2.7 times the comparable N value from the automatic hammer. This significant variation in N values clearly indicates that the type of SPT hammer used should be recorded on all drilling logs.

Cheney and Chassie (1993) list the following common errors that can influence SPT test results:

- 1. Effect of overburden pressure. Soils of the same density will give smaller SPT N values near the ground surface.
- 2. Variations in the 760 mm free fall of the drive weight, since this is often done by eye on older equipment using a rope wrapped around a power takeoff (cathead) from the drill motor. Newer automatic hammer equipment does this automatically.
- 3. Interference with the free fall of the drive weight by the guides or the hoist rope. New equipment eliminates rope interference.



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- 4. Use of a drive shoe that is badly damaged or worn from too many drivings to "refusal" (SPT N values exceeding 100).
- 5. Failure to properly seat the sampler on undisturbed material in the bottom of the boring.
- 6. Inadequate cleaning of loosened material from the bottom of the boring.
- 7. Failure to maintain sufficient hydrostatic pressure in the borehole during drilling or during drill rod extraction. Unbalanced hydrostatic pressures between the borehole drill water and the ground water table can cause the test zone to become "quick". This can happen when using the continuous-flight auger with the end plugged and maintaining a water level in the hollow stem below that in the hole.

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- 8. SPT results may not be dependable in gravel. Since the split-spoon inside diameter is 35 mm, gravel sizes larger than 35 mm will not enter the spoon. Therefore, soil descriptions may not reflect actual gravel content of the deposit. Also, gravel pieces may jam the end of the spoon which may get plugged and cause the SPT blow count to be erroneously high.
- 9. Samples retrieved from dilatant soils (fine sands, sandy silts) which exhibit unusually high blow count should be examined in the field to determine if the sampler drive shoe is plugged. Poor sample recovery is a indication of plugging.
- 10. Careless work on the part of the drill crew.

The use of reliable qualified drillers and adherence to recommended sampling practice cannot be overemphasized. State agencies which maintain their own drilling personnel and equipment achieve much more reliable, consistent results than those who routinely let boring contracts to the low bidder.

A correction of field N values is also necessary to account for the effects of overburden pressures when estimating physical properties in cohesionless soils. The corrected N' value is determined by multiplying the field N value by the correction factor obtained from Figure 4.4 All N' values referred to in this manual are the corrected values. Correlations of cohesive soil physical properties with N values are crude and, therefore, correction of N values in cohesive soils is not necessary.

The corrected N' values and uncorrected N values (blows /300 mm) may be used to estimate the relative density of cohesionless soils and consistency of cohesive soils, respectively. Table 4-5 contains an empirical relationship between N' value, and the relative density, angle of internal friction and unit weight of granular soils. It is emphasized that for soils containing gravel sized particles, this table may yield unreliable results. In those cases, the correlations should be used for rough estimation purposes only. Static analysis procedures to calculate the ultimate capacity of pile foundations in cohesionless soils using SPT N' values are presented in Chapter 9.



Table 4-6 contains an empirical relationship between the uncorrected N value and the unconfined compressive strength and saturated unit weight of cohesive soils. The undrained shear strength is one half of the unconfined compressive strength. Correlations of N values to undrained shear strength of clays is crude and unreliable for design. It should be used only for preliminary estimating purposes. Undisturbed cohesive samples should be obtained for laboratory determination of accurate shear strength and unit weight.

## 4.4.2 Undisturbed Soil Samplers

Several types of undisturbed soil samplers are used in conjunction with boring operations.

- a. Thin wall open tube (Figure 4.5).
- b. Piston sampler.
- c. Hydraulic piston sampler.

Table 4-7 provides a summary of various undisturbed soil samplers, and their advantages and disadvantages.

Great care is necessary in extraction, handling, and in transporting undisturbed samples to avoid disturbing the natural soil structure. Tubes should be pressed and not hammered. Proper storage and transport should be done with the tube upright and encased in an insulated box with cushioning material. Each tube should be physically separated from adjacent tubes.

#### 4.4.3 Rock Core Samplers

Rock Core Samplers (core barrels) are available in various diameters and length. The most widely used types are:

- a. Single tube.
- b. Double tube, rigid type (Figure 4.6).
- c. Double tube, swivel type (Figure 4.6).
- d. Wire line barrels.

TABLE 4-5 EMPIRICAL VALUES FOR Φ, D,, AND UNIT WEIGHT OF GRANULAR SOILS BASED ON CORRECTED N' (after Bowles, 1977)									
Description		Very Loose	Loose	Medium	Dense	Very Dense			
Relative density D,		0 - 0.15	0.15 - 0.35	0.35 - 0.65	0.65 - 0.85	0.85 - 1.00			
Corrected standard penetration no. N'		0 to 4	4 to 10	10 to 30	30 to 50	50+			
Approximate angle of internal friction $\phi$ *		25 - 30°	27 - 32°	30 - 35°	35 - 40°	38 - 43°			
Approximate range of moist unit weight (γ) kN/m <sup>3</sup>	The second s	11.0 - 15.7	14.1 - 18.1	17.3 - 20.4	17.3 - 22.0	20.4 - 23.6			

Correlations may be unreliable in soils containing gravel. See discussion in Section 9.5 of Chapter 9.

\* Use larger values for granular material with 5% or less fine sand and silt.

TABLE 4-6 EMPIRICAL VALUES FOR UNCONFINED COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH (q,) AND CONSISTENCY OF COHESIVE SOILS BASED ON UNCORRECTED N (after Bowles, 1977)									
Consistency	Very Soft	Soft	Medium	Stiff	Very Stiff	Hard			
q <sub>u</sub> , kPa	0 - 24	24 - 48	48 - 96	96 - 192	192 - 384	384+			
N, Standard penetration resistance	0 - 2	2 - 4	4 - 8	8 - 16	16 - 32	32+			
$\gamma$ (saturated), kN/m <sup>3</sup>	     15.8 - 18.8	   15.8 - 18.8	17.3 - 20.4	     18.8 - 22.0	18.8 - 22.0	18.8 - 22.0			
The undrained shear strength is 1/2 of the unconfined compressive strength.									

Correlations are unreliable. Use for preliminary estimates only.



Figure 4.6 Rigid and Swivel Type Double Tube Core Barrels (after FHWA, 1972)

	TABLE 4-7 UNDISTURBED SOIL SAMPLES										
Sampler	Soil Types Suitable for Sampler	Advantages	Disadvantages	Remarks							
Thin wall open tube sampler Figure 4.5.	Soils having some cohesion unless they are too hard or too gravelly for sampler penetration	<ol> <li>Small area ratio of tube permits obtaining sample with minimum disturbance.</li> <li>Procedure is simple and requires very little time.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Excess or disturbed soil may enter the sampler and cause disturbance. Excess material prevents accurate measurement of recovery length.</li> <li>When using in a bore hole filled with water or drilling fluid, an excess hydrostatic pressure will develop over the sample.</li> <li>Check valve may clog, and may not reduce the hydrostatic pressures.</li> </ol>	Not suited for use in boulders, gravels and coarse soils.							
Samplers with stationery pistons.	Soft soils	<ol> <li>Disturbed soil is prevented from entering the tube which decreases sample disturbance.</li> <li>Atmospheric and hydrostatic pressures over sample area are reduced, which increases</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>The apparatus is complicated to use.</li> <li>The insertion, clamping and withdrawal of the rods is time consuming.</li> </ol>	When a piston sampler is needed, the fixed piston sampler is preferable to other types of piston							
		<ol> <li>Any downward movement of the sample creates a partial vacuum over the sample and reduces the danger of losing the sample.</li> <li>Much easier to determine recovery ratio since the length of rods can be easily measured.</li> </ol>		sample disturbance.							
Samplers with free pistons.	Stiff soils	<ol> <li>Entrance of disturbed and mixed soil is prevented when the sampler is lowered into position.</li> <li>Recovery ratio is easily determined.</li> <li>The piston is more effective than check value in reducing pressure over the sample.</li> <li>Easier to operate than the fixed piston.</li> </ol>	Additional weight is placed on the soil sample by the weight of the drill rods.	Similar to the fixed piston sampler with the exception that the piston is not fixed when the sample is taken; it is free to ride on top of the sample.							
Samplers with retracted pistons.	Stiff soils	<ol> <li>The sampler is simpler in construction and operation than the stationary or free piston sampler as the piston head is held in place by a screw-type connection.</li> <li>The piston prevents the entrance of disturbed soil into the tube when the tube is being placed into position for sampling.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>The retraction of the piston may cause failure in soft soils as the soil may flow into the sampler.</li> <li>The soil displaced during the positioning of the piston sampler may flow into the sampler when the piston is withdrawn.</li> <li>If there is water leakage into the drill rod, excess hydrostatic pressure will develop over the sample.</li> </ol>	Piston is withdrawn just before the beginning of the actual sampling process.							
Hydraulic piston sampler.	Soft soils	Eliminates need for center rod required to hold piston on a conventional piston-type sampler. This results in less time required to retrieve a sample.	<ol> <li>There are no means to determine the amount of penetration of the sampling tube into the soil stratum, since there are no visible signs of movement at the top of the hole.</li> <li>Percent recovery is hard to establish, particularly for short pushes which do not fill the sampler. The weight of water in the drill steel causes the sampler to extend to its full length during retrieval from the hole.</li> </ol>	The sampling technique is the same as for the stationary piston sampler. The activation of the sampling tube is performed by water pressure applied to the sampler through its attached drill steel.							

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Double tube or wire line core barrels which are capable of recovering rock cores of at least 54 mm in diameter should be used in subsurface exploration for structural projects.

# 4.5 GROUND WATER MONITORING

Accurate ground water level information is needed for the estimation of soil densities, determination of effective soil pressures and for the preparation of effective soil pressure diagrams. This information is vital for performing foundation design. Water levels will also indicate the construction difficulties which may be encountered in excavations and the level of dewatering effort required.

In most structure foundation explorations, water levels should be monitored during drilling of the boring, upon completion of the boring, and 24 hours after the completion of boring. More than one week may be required to obtain representative water level readings in low permeability cohesive soils or in bore holes stabilized with some drilling muds. In these cases, an observation well or piezometer should be installed in a boring to allow long term ground water monitoring.

# 4.6 SUBSURFACE PROFILE DEVELOPMENT

A subsurface profile is a visual representation of subsurface conditions interpreted from subsurface explorations and laboratory testing. Uncertainties in the development of a subsurface profile usually indicate that additional explorations and/or laboratory testing are required.

The profile should be developed in stages. First, a rough profile is established from the drillers logs. This helps discover any obvious gaps while the drilling crew is at the site so that additional work can be performed immediately. When borings are completed and laboratory classification and moisture content data is received, the initial soil profile should be revised. Soil stratification and accurate soil descriptions are established at this stage. Overcomplication of a profile by noting minute variations between adjacent soil samples should be avoided. A vertical scale of 10 mm equal to 1 to 3 m and a horizontal scale equal to the vertical scale are recommended.

After the soil layer boundaries and descriptions have been established, a determination of the extent and details of additional laboratory testing, such as consolidation and shear

strength tests, is made. The final soil profile should include the average physical properties of the soil deposits including unit weight, shear strength, *etc.*, as well as a visual description of each deposit. The observed ground water level and the presence of items such as boulders, voids, and artesian pressures should also be noted. A well developed soil profile is necessary to design a cost-effective foundation.

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## 5. IN-SITU TESTING

In-situ testing provides soil parameters for the design of structure foundations especially in conditions where standard drilling and sampling methods cannot be used to obtain high quality undisturbed samples. Undisturbed samples from non-cohesive soils are difficult to obtain, trim, and test in the laboratory. Soft saturated clays, saturated sands and intermixed deposits of soil and gravel are also difficult to sample without disturbance. Therefore, representative strength test data is difficult to obtain on these soils in the laboratory. To overcome these difficulties, test methods have been developed to evaluate soil properties, especially strength and compressibility, in-situ.

Primary in-situ tests that provide data for foundation design are the cone penetration test (CPT), the cone penetration test with pore pressure measurements (CPTU), and the vane shear. Other lesser used in-situ testing devices include the pressuremeter test (PMT), the dilatometer test (DMT), and the dynamic cone penetrometer test. Specific pile design procedures using cone penetration test data are discussed in Chapter 9 of this manual.

The intent of this chapter is to provide a brief summary of in-situ test methods used for deep foundation design. For CPT/CPTU testing a brief summary of the equipment, operation, application, advantages and disadvantages is also provided. The applicability, advantages and disadvantages of all the in-situ testing methods are also briefly summarized in Table 5-1. For a detailed discussion of a particular in-situ testing method, the reader is referred to the publications listed at the end of this chapter.

## 5.1 CONE PENETRATION TEST (CPT) AND (CPTU)

The cone penetration test (CPT) was first introduced in the U.S. in 1965. By the mid 1970's, the electronic cone began to replace the mechanical cone. In the early 1980's, the piezo-cone or cone penetration test with pore pressure measurements (CPTU) became readily available. Since that time, the CPT/CPTU has developed into one of the most popular in-situ testing devices. Part of this popularity is due to the CPT's ability to provide large quantities of useful data quickly and at an economical cost. Depending upon equipment capability as well as soil conditions, 100 to 350 m of penetration testing may be completed in one day.

	TABLE 5-1 SUMMARY OF IN-SITU TEST METHODS									
Type of Test	Best Suited for	Not Applicable for	Information that can be Obtained for Pile Foundation Design		Advantages		Disadvantages	Remarks		
Cone Penetration Test (CPT)	Sand, silt, and clay	Gravel, very dense deposits, rubble fills, and rock.	Continuous evaluation of subsurface stratigraphy. Correlations for determination of in- situ density and friction angle of sands, undrained shear strength of clays, and liquefaction potential.	1. 2. 3. 4.	Cone can be considered as a model pile. Quick and simple test. Can reduce number of borings. Relatively operator independent.	1. 2. 3.	Does not provide soil samples. Should be used in conjunction with soil borings in an exploration program. Local correlations can be important in data interpretation.	Well suited to the design of axially <del>loaded piles.</del> ASTM D-3441.		
Cone Penetration Test with Pore Pressure Measurements (CPTU)	Sand, silt, and clay	Gravel, very dense deposits, and rubble fills.	Finer delineation of continuous subsurface stratigraphy compared to CPT. Correlations for determination of in-situ density and friction angle of sands, undrained shear strength of clays, and liquefaction susceptibility.	1. 2. 3.	Same advantages as CPT. Pore pressure measurements can be used to assess soil setup effects. Can help determine if penetration is drained or undrained.	1. 2.	Same disadvantages as CPT. Location and saturation of porous filter can influence pore pressure measurements.	Probably best in- situ test method for the design of axially loaded piles. ASTM D-3441.		
Pressuremeter Test (PMT)	Sand, silt, clay and soft rock.	Organic soils and hard rock.	Bearing capacity from limit pressure and compressibility from pressuremeter deformation modulus.	1. 2.	Tests can be performed in and below hard strata that may stop other in-situ testing devices. Tests can be made on non- homogenous soil deposits.	1. 2. 3.	Bore hole preparation very important. Limited number of tests per day. Limited application for axially loaded pile design.	Good application for laterally loaded pile design. ASTM D-4719.		
Dilatometer Test (DMT)	Low to medium strength sand and clay	Dense deposits, gravels and rock.	Correlations for soil type, earth pressure at rest, overconsolidation ratio, undrained shear strength, and dilatometer modulus.	1. 2.	Quick, inexpensive test. Relatively operator independent.	1. 2. 3.	Less familiar test method. Intended for soils with particle sizes smaller than fine gravel. Limited application for axially loaded pile design.	May be potentially useful for laterally loaded pile design. ASTM standard in progress.		
Vane Shear Test	Soft clay	Silt, sand, and gravel	Undrained shear strength.	1. 2.	Quick and economical. Compares well with unconfined compression test results at shallow depths.	1.	Can be used to depths of only 4 to 6 m without casing bore hole.	Test should be used with caution in fissured, varved, and highly plastic clays. AASHTO T223.		
Dynamic Cone Test	Sand and gravel	Clay	Qualitative evaluation of soil density. Qualitative comparison of stratigraphy.	1.	Can be useful in soil conditions where static cone (CPT) reaches refusal.	1. 2.	An unknown fraction of resistance is due to side friction. Overall use is limited.	Not recommended for final pile design. No AASHTO or ASTM standard.		

### 5.1.1 Equipment Description and Operation

Cone penetration testing can be separated into two main categories:

- a. Electronic cones.
- b. Mechanical cones.

Electronic cones are now the dominant cone type used in cone penetration testing. Hence, mechanical cones will not be discussed further in this chapter. Electronic cones may be further divided into two primary types, the standard friction cone (CPT), and the piezo-cone (CPTU).

In the CPT test, a cone with a 1000 mm<sup>2</sup> base and a 60° tip attached to a series of rods is continuously pushed into the ground. Typically, a hydraulic ram with 45 to 180 kN of thrust capability is used to continuously advance the cone into the ground at a rate of 20 mm/sec. A friction sleeve with a surface area of 15000 mm<sup>2</sup> is located behind the conical tip. Built in load cells are used to continuously measure the cone tip resistance,  $q_c$ , and the sleeve friction resistance, fs. The friction ratio,  $R_f$ , is the ratio of fs/q<sub>c</sub> and is commonly used in the interpretation of test results.

The piezo-cone (CPTU), is essentially the same as the standard electronic friction cone and continuously measures the cone tip resistance,  $q_c$ , and the sleeve friction resistance, fs, during penetration. In addition to these values, the piezo-cone includes porous filter piezo-elements that may be located at the cone tip, on the cone face, behind the cone tip, or behind the friction sleeve. These porous filter elements are used to measure pore pressure, u, during penetration.

A general schematic of a cone penetrometer is presented in Figure 5.1. Typical penetration depths for a 45 kN and 180 kN thrust capability are presented in Tables 5-2 and 5-3, respectively. Additional information on CPT/CPTU testing and analysis may be found in FHWA-SA-91-043, The Cone Penetrometer Test, by Briaud and Miran (1991). Test procedures may be found in ASTM D-3441, Standard Test Method for Deep Quasistatic, Cone and Friction Cone Penetration Tests of Soil.



	TABLE 5-2	2 DRILL R	RIG WITH 45 KN PUSH CAPACITY					
			Soil					
		Clay			Sand			
Depth m	Soft	Stiff	Hard	Loose	Medium	Dense		
1	*	*	*	*	*			
3	*	*		*	*			
4	*	*			*			
6	*			*	*			
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	TABLE 5-	3 TRUCK	K WITH 180 KN PUSH CAPACITY					
	···· ·································		Soil					
		Clay	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		Sand			
Depth m	Soft	Stiff	Hard	Loose	Medium	Dense		
4	*	*	*	*	*	*		
9	*	*	*	*	*	*		
18	*	*	*	*	*	*		
27	*	*		*	*			
36	*			*	1			
46	*			*				
61	*							
76	*							
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Tables 5-2 and 5-3 (modified from Briaud and Miran, 1991)

# 5.1.2 Interpretation of CPT/CPTU Test Results

- a. CPT/CPTU data can provide a continuous profile of the subsurface stratigraphy. A simplified soil classification chart for a standard electronic friction cone is presented in Figure 5.2. Typical CPT test results are presented in Figure 5.3.
- b. From correlations with CPT/CPTU data, evaluations of in-situ relative density,  $D_r$ , and friction angle,  $\phi$ , of cohesionless soils as well as the undrained shear strength,  $c_u$ , of cohesive soils can be made. Correlations for determination of other soil properties, liquefaction susceptibility, and estimates of SPT values may also be determined. The accuracy of these correlations may vary depending upon geologic conditions. Correlation confirmation with local conditions is therefore important.

## 5.1.3 Advantages and Disadvantages of CPT/CPTU Tests

The primary advantage of CPT/CPTU testing is the ability to rapidly develop a continuous profile of subsurface conditions more economically than any other subsurface exploration or in-situ testing tools. Determination of in-situ soil strength parameters from correlations with CPT/CPTU data is another advantage. The CPT/CPTU test can also reduce the number of conventional borings needed on a project, or focus attention on discrete zones for detailed soil sampling and testing. Lastly, CPT/CPTU results are relatively operator independent.

Limitations of CPT/CPTU testing include the inability to push the cone in dense or coarse soil deposits. To penetrate dense layers, cones are sometimes pushed in bore holes advanced through the dense strata. Another limitation is that soil samples are not recovered for confirmation of cone stratigraphy. Local correlations are also important in data interpretation.





### 5.2 PRESSUREMETER TEST - (PMT)

The pressuremeter test (PMT) is an in-situ device used to evaluate soil and rock properties. The pressuremeter has been used in Europe for many years and was introduced into the U.S. in the mid 1970's. The pressuremeter imparts lateral pressures to the soil, and the soil shear strength and compressibility are determined by interpretation of a pressure-volume relationship. The test allows a determination of the load-deformation characteristics of soil in axi-symmetric conditions. Deposits such as soft clays, fissured clays, sands, gravels and soft rock can be tested with pressuremeters.

The utilization of test results is based upon semi-empirical correlations from a large number of tests and observations on actual structures. For piles subjected to lateral loads, the pressuremeter test is a useful design tool and is well suited to determination of p-y curves. For design of vertically loaded piles, the pressuremeter test has limited value. Pile design procedures using pressuremeter data have been developed and may be found in FHWA-IP-89-008, The Pressuremeter Test for Highway Applications, by Briaud (1989). Details on test procedures may be found in ASTM D-4719, Standard Test Method for Pressuremeter Testing in Soils.

#### 5.3 DILATOMETER TEST - (DMT)

The dilatometer test is an in-situ testing device that was developed in Italy in the early 1970's and first introduced in the U.S. in 1979. Like the CPT, the DMT is generally hydraulically pushed into the ground although it may also be driven. When the DMT can be pushed into the ground with tests conducted at 200 mm increments, 30 to 40 m of DMT sounding may be completed in a day. The primary utilization of the DMT in pile foundation design is the delineation of subsurface stratigraphy and interpreted soil properties. However, it would appear that the CPT/CPTU is generally better suited to this task than the DMT. The DMT may be a potentially useful test for design of piles subjected to lateral loads. Design methods in this area show promise, but are still in the development stage. For design of axially loaded piles, the dilatometer test has limited direct value.

### 5.4 VANE SHEAR TEST

The vane shear test is an in-situ test for determining the undrained shear strength of soft to medium clays. Figure 5.4 is a schematic drawing of the essential components. The test consists of forcing a four-bladed vane into undisturbed soil and rotating it until the soil shears. Two shear strengths are usually recorded, the peak shearing strength and the remolded shearing strength. These measurements are used to determine the sensitivity of clay. This allows analysis of the soil resistance to be overcome during pile driving in clays. It is necessary to measure skin friction along the steel connector rods which must be subtracted to determine the actual shear strength. The vane shear test generally provides the most accurate undrained shear strength values for clays with undrained shear strengths less than 50 kPa. The test procedure has been standardized in AASHTO T223-74 and ASTM D-2573.

## 5.5 DYNAMIC CONE TEST

There are two types of dynamic penetrometers with conical points. The dynamic cone type that is most often used has a shaft diameter that is smaller than the cone diameter. Theoretically, due to the cone being larger than the shaft, the penetrometer measures only point resistance. A lesser used cone type has a shaft and cone of the same diameter. This type of dynamic cone penetrometer records both skin friction and point resistance, but the two components cannot be analyzed independently. Equations have been developed for determining bearing capacity of pile foundations by using the dynamic cone test data, but are not used extensively. The dynamic cone penetrometer is not recommended for final foundation design.



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## 6. LABORATORY TESTING

The trend to higher capacity piles and greater pile penetration depths required for special design events reinforces the importance of accurately determining soil shear strength and consolidation properties. For cohesionless materials, the SPT and CPT will be the primary tools for strength and compressibility analysis. These tests should be complemented with appropriate laboratory index tests. For cohesive soils, the use of SPT resistance values for estimation and evaluation of soil shear strength and compressibility cannot be recommended as the basis for a final design. In cohesive soils, traditional laboratory tests on undisturbed samples yield the best results for evaluation of strength and compressibility properties.

In laboratory testing, the <u>quality</u> of test results is far more important than the <u>quantity</u> of test results. Inaccurate test results may lead to misjudgments in the design stage and/or problems in the construction stage. Owners and designers of structure foundations have a quality assurance responsibility over activities affecting the quality of laboratory test results. Quality control procedures for in-house or consultant laboratories should be in place for:

- Handling and storage of soil samples.
- Sample preparation for testing.
- Establishment of, and adherence to testing procedures.
- Documentation of equipment calibration and maintenance.
- Training and qualification of laboratory personnel.
- Laboratory test result review and checking.
- Reporting of laboratory test results.

The purpose of this chapter is to present a summary of laboratory tests performed to determine basic soil properties as well as soil shear strength and consolidation properties. For detailed information on laboratory testing, additional references are listed at the end of this chapter.

## 6.1 TYPES OF TESTS

Laboratory tests can be generally categorized as follows:

- 1. Soil classification and index tests.
- 2. Shear strength tests.
- 3. Consolidation tests.
- 4. Electro chemical classification tests.

The following subsections briefly describe each type of test. Table 6-1 summarizes the advantages, disadvantages and applications of soil classification, strength and compressibility tests.

## 6.1.1 Classification and Index Tests

For foundation design, soils are usually classified according to the Unified Soil Classification system. The classification of soil determines the type of material, its general characteristics, and whether any further testing for consolidation and strength properties are needed. The following tests are useful in classifying soils:

- a. Moisture content (AASHTO T265).
- b. Particle size analysis (mechanical and hydrometer analysis) AASHTO T88.
- c. Atterberg limits (liquid and plastic limits) AASHTO T89 and T90.
- d. Unit weight (AASHTO T38).

#### 6.1.2 Shear Strength Tests

The shear strength of a soil is a measure of the soil's ability to resist sliding along internal surfaces within the mass.

	TABLE 6-1 LABORATORY TESTS ON SOILS FOR FOUNDATION DESIGN												
Test Category	Test	Classification or Design Parameters Provided by Test	Advantages	Disadvantages	Direct* Applications	Standard Test Procedure	Soil Types best suited for						
Classification and Index	Liquid limit	Liquid limit	Assists in correct soil classification.		Classification	AASHTO T89-68	Cohesive soils and silts						
lests (both	Plastic limit	Plastic limit	Assists in correct soil classification.		Classification	AASHTO T90-70	Cohesive soils and silts						
disturbed and undisturbed samples used	Moisture Moisture content C content j		Can assist in soil shear strength judgements and water table determination.		Classification	AASHTO T265-79	Cohesive soils and silts						
unless noted)	Particle size analysis (mechanical and hydrometer analysis)	Grain size curves	Assists in soil classification.		Classification	AASHTO T88-72	Cohesive and cohesionless soils						
-	Unit weight (Undisturbed <del>samples only)</del>	Dry density	Can assist in soil shear strength judgements.		Effective stress computations.	AASHTO T38	Cohesive soils						
Shear strength (undisturbed samples used)	Triaxial compression test (UU, CU, or CD tests **)	Cohesion c or c'; Angle of internal friction $\phi$ or $\phi'$ . (In terms of total or effective stresses).	<ol> <li>Models in-situ conditions better than other two tests.</li> <li>Drainage control</li> <li>Pore water pressure can be measured.</li> <li>More accurate than other two methods.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Expensive.</li> <li>Complicated test procedure.</li> <li>Difficult to use for sands and silts.</li> </ol>	Static capacity calculations for deep foundations.	AASHTO T234-70	Cohesive soils						
	Direct shear test	Cohesion, c'; Angle of internal friction, $\phi'$ . (In terms of effective stresses).	Simple and quick test.	<ol> <li>Predetermined failure plane.</li> <li>Poor drainage control.</li> </ol>	Static capacity calculations for deep foundations.	AASHTO T236-72	Cohesionless soils (sands and silts)						
	Unconfined compression test	Unconfined compression strength and shear strength.	<ol> <li>Simple, quick, inexpensive test to measure strength of cohesive soils.</li> <li>More uniform stresses and strains on sample than direct shear test.</li> <li>Failure surface tends to develop at weakest portion of samples unlike the forced shear plane of direct shear test.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>No lateral confining pressure during test.</li> <li>Pore water pressures and saturation cannot be controlled.</li> <li>Test results, especially with depth, are conservative and misleading due to release of confining stress when sample is removed from below ground and tested.</li> </ol>	Static capacity calculations for deep foundations.	AASHTO T208-70	Cohesive soils						
Consolidation (undisturbed samples used)	Consolidation	Compression index. Recompression index. Coefficient of secondary compression. Coefficient of consolidation. Preconsolidation pressure. Swelling index.			Computation of foundation settlement and time rate of settlement.	AASHTO T216-74	Cohesive soils						

\* - All test results permit empirical and engineering judgement guidance with regard to pile installation and construction monitoring.
 \*\* - UU = Unconsolidated Undrained, CU = Consolidated Undrained, and CD = Consolidated Drained.

For the design of foundations, a knowledge of the soil shear strength is essential. Shear tests on soil are performed to determine the cohesion, c, and the angle of internal friction,  $\phi$ . Cohesion is the interparticle attraction effect and is independent of the normal stress,  $\sigma$ , but considerably dependent on water content and strain rate. The internal friction angle depends on the interlocking of soil grains and the resistance to sliding between the grains.

Internal friction depends on the roughness of grains and normal stress. The shear strength of a soil is defined as follows:

$$\tau = c + \sigma \tan \phi$$

For pile foundation design, the resistance along the pile shaft and at the pile toe are a function of  $\tau$ , c and  $\phi$  parameters.

Effective stress,  $\sigma'$ , is defined as the soil grain to soil grain pressure and is equal to the total overburden pressure,  $\sigma$ , minus the pore water pressure (neutral pressure), u. This may be expressed in equation form as:

$$\sigma' = \sigma - u$$

The pore water has no shear strength and is incompressible. Only the intergranular stress (effective stress) is effective in resisting shear or limiting compression of the soil. When pore water drains from soil during consolidation, the decrease in water pressure increases the level of effective stress. Effective stress is important in both laboratory testing and in design, since it correlates directly with soil behavior. An increase in effective stress causes densification and an increase in shear strength.

Three test methods are commonly used to measure shear strength in the laboratory. In order of increasing cost and test sophistication they are as follows:

- a. Unconfined compression test (AASHTO T208).
- b. Direct shear test (AASHTO T236).
- c. Triaxial compression test (AASHTO T234).

The unconfined compression test is the most widely used laboratory test to evaluate soil shear strength. In the unconfined compression test, an axial load is applied on a cylindrical soil sample while maintaining a zero lateral or confining pressure. The axial loading is increased to failure and the shear strength is then considered to be one half the axial stress at failure. Unconfined compression tests are performed only on cohesive soil samples.

Unconfined compression tests on cohesive samples recovered from large depths or samples with a secondary structure, such as sand seams, fissures, or slickensides, can give misleadingly low shear strengths. This is due to the removal of the in-situ confining stress normally present. Triaxial compression tests provide better information on soil shear strength in these cases.

The direct shear test is performed by placing a sample of soil into a shear box which is split into two parts at mid-height. A normal load is then applied to the top of the sample and one half of the shear box is pulled or pushed horizontally past the other half. The shear stress is calculated from the horizontal force divided by the sample area and is plotted versus horizontal deformation. A plot of at least three normal stresses and their corresponding maximum shear stresses provides the shear strength parameters c and  $\phi$ . Bowles (1977) notes that the  $\phi$  values determined from triaxial tests. Direct shear tests are approximately 1.1 times the  $\phi$  values determined from triaxial tests. Direct shear tests are generally not recommended for cohesive soils due to limitations on drainage control during shear.

The most versatile shear strength test is the triaxial compression test. The triaxial test allows a soil sample to be subjected to three principal stresses under controlled conditions. A cylindrical test specimen is encased in a rubber membrane and is then subjected to a confining pressure. Drainage from the sample is controlled through its two ends. The shearing force is applied axially and increased to failure. A plot of normal stress versus shear stress is developed and parameters c and  $\phi$  are determined. In triaxial tests where full drainage is allowed during shear, or in undrained tests with pore pressure measurements during shear, the effective stress parameters c' and  $\phi$ ' can be determined.

In shear testing, the drainage, consolidation, and loading conditions are selected to simulate field conditions. Triaxial compression tests are classified according to the consolidation and drainage conditions allowed during testing. The three test types normally conducted are unconsolidated undrained (UU), consolidated undrained (CU) and consolidated drained (CD). The unconfined compression test may theoretically be considered a UU test performed with no confining pressure. Direct shear tests are usually consolidated under a normal stress then sheared either very slowly to model drained conditions, or rapidly to model undrained conditions.

Total stress and effective stress pile design methods are presented in Chapter 9. The total stress methods use undrained shear strengths. Effective stress design methods use drained shear strength data.

## 6.1.3 Consolidation Tests

To estimate the amount and rate at which a cohesive soil deposit will consolidate under an applied load of a structure, a one dimensional consolidation test (AASHTO T216) is usually performed. In this test, a saturated soil sample is constrained laterally while being compressed vertically. The vertical compression is measured and related to the void ratio of the soil. Loading the sample results in an increased pore water pressure within the voids of the sample. Over a period of time, as the water is squeezed from the soil, this excess water pressure will dissipate resulting in the soil grains (or skeleton) supporting the load. The amount of water squeezed from the sample is a function of load magnitude and compressibility of soil skeleton. The rate of pressure dissipation is a function of the permeability of the soil.

The results from the test are used to plot void ratio, e, versus pressure, p, on a semi-log scale to determine the preconsolidation pressure,  $p_c$ , and compression index,  $C_c$ . An illustration of a typical e-log p curve is presented in Figure 9.43. A plot of log time versus sample compression is used to determine coefficient of consolidation. Consolidation test results can be used to estimate magnitude and settlement rate of pile foundations in cohesive soils. A settlement design example using consolidation test data is presented in Chapter 9.
#### 6.1.4 Electro Chemical Classification Tests

The soil and groundwater can contain constituents detrimental to pile materials. Electro chemical classification tests can be used to determine the aggressiveness of the subsurface conditions and the potential for pile deterioration. These electro chemical tests include:

- a. pH (AASHTO T289).
- b. Resistivity (AASHTO T288).
- c. Sulfate ion content (AASHTO T290).
- d. Chloride ion content (AASHTO T291).

Additional discussion of the influence of environmental conditions on pile selection are presented in Section 8.8 of Chapter 8.

## 6.2 LABORATORY TESTING FOR PILE DRIVEABILITY CONSIDERATIONS

As noted earlier in this chapter, pile foundations are increasingly being driven to greater depths and greater capacities. Laboratory tests to determine the remolded shear strength of cohesive soils and the gradation and fine content of cohesionless soils are important in assessing the pile driveability and the potential soil setup effects (changes in pile capacity with time).

#### Remolded Shear Strength of Cohesive Soils

Cohesive soils may lose a significant portion of their shear strength when disturbed or remolded, as during the pile driving process. The sensitivity of a cohesive soil,  $S_t$ , is defined as:

 $S_t = (q_u \text{ undisturbed}) / (q_u \text{ remolded})$ 

Table 6-2 contains typical values of sensitivity as reported by Sowers (1979) which may be useful for preliminary estimates of remolded shear strength. Terzaghi and Peck, (1967) noted that clays with sensitivities less than 16 generally regain a portion to all of their original shear strength with elapsed time. Based upon typical sensitivity values reported by Terzaghi and Peck as well as by Sowers, the remolded shear strength of many cohesive soils during pile driving would be expected to range from about 1/4 to 1/2 the undisturbed shear strength.

TABLE 6-2 TYPICAL VALUES OF SENSITIVITY FROM SOWEF	RS (1979)
Clay of medium plasticity, normally consolidated	2-8
Highly flocculent, marine clays	10-80
Clays of low to medium plasticity, overconsolidated	1-4
Fissured clays, clays with sand seams	0.5-2

To determine site specific soil sensitivity from laboratory data, remolded soil specimens having the same moisture content as the undisturbed specimen should be tested in unconfined compression. However, the <u>best</u> assessment of the remolded shear strength of cohesive soils can be made from the field vane shear test described in Section 5.4.

## Gradation of Cohesionless Soils

The gradation and fine content of cohesionless soils are useful information in assessing pile driveability. Soils with a high fine content generally have lower angles of internal friction than soils of similar density with lower fine content. A high fine content can also affect soil drainage and pore pressures during shear, and thus, the effective stresses acting on a pile during driving. Depending upon soil density, cohesionless soils with high fine contents are also more likely to demonstrate soil setup than cohesionless soils with little or no fines. Gradation and angularity of soil grains influence the angle of internal friction.

Routine laboratory grain size analyses (mechanical and hydrometer) can quantify gradation and fine content. With this information, better engineering assessments of pile driveability and soil setup potential in cohesionless soils can be made.

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## 7. FOUNDATION DESIGN PROCEDURE

A foundation is the interfacing element between the superstructure and the underlying soil or rock. The loads transmitted by the foundation to the underlying soil must not cause soil shear failure or damaging settlement of the superstructure. It is essential to systematically consider various foundation types and to select the optimum alternative based on the superstructure requirements and the subsurface conditions.

## 7.1 FOUNDATION DESIGN APPROACH

The following design approach is recommended to determine the optimum foundation alternative.

- 1. Determine the foundation loads to be supported, structure layout, and special requirements such as limits on total and differential settlements, lateral loads, scour, seismic performance, and time constraints on construction. This step is often partially overlooked or vaguely addressed. A complete knowledge of these issues is of paramount importance.
- 2. Evaluate the subsurface exploration and the laboratory testing data. Ideally, the subsurface exploration and laboratory testing programs were performed with a knowledge of the loads to be transmitted to, and supported by the soil and/or rock materials.
- 3. Prepare a final soil profile and critical cross sections. Determine soil layers suitable or unsuitable for spread footings, pile foundations, or drilled shafts. Also consider if ground improvement techniques could modify unsuitable layers into suitable support layers.

4. Consider and prepare alternative designs.

Shallow Foundations:	a. Spread footings.
(without ground improvement)	b. Mat foundations.
Shallow Foundations:	a. Spread footings.
(with ground improvement)	b. Mat foundations.
Deep Foundations:	a. Pile foundations. b. Drilled shafts.

Table 7-1 summarizes shallow and deep foundation types and uses, as well as applicable and non-applicable soil conditions.

- 5. Prepare cost estimates for feasible alternative foundation designs including all associated substructure costs.
- 6. Select the optimum foundation alternative. Generally the most economical alternative should be selected and recommended. However, the ability of the local construction force, availability of materials and equipment, as well as environmental considerations/limitations should also be considered.

For major projects, if the estimated costs of feasible foundation alternatives (during the design stage) are within 15 percent of each other, then alternate foundation designs should be considered for inclusion in the contract documents.

TABLE 7-1 FOUNDATION TYPES AND TYPICAL USES*			
Foundation Type	Use	Applicable Soil Conditions	Non-suitable or Difficult Soil Conditions
Spread footing, wall footings.	Individual columns, walls, bridge piers.	Any conditions where bearing capacity is adequate for applied load. May use on single stratum; firm layer over soft layer, or weaker layer over firm layer. Check immediate, differential and consolidation settlements.	Any conditions where foundations are supported on soils subject to scour or liquefaction. Bearing layer located below ground water table.
Mat foundation.	Same as spread and wall footings. Very heavy column loads. Usually reduces differential settlements and total settlements.	Generally soil bearing value is less than for spread footings. Over one-half area of structure covered by individual footings. Check settlements.	Same as footings.
Pile foundations (shaft resistance, toe resistance or combination).	In groups to transfer heavy column and bridge loads to suitable soil layers. Also to resist uplift and/or lateral loads.	Poor surface and near surface soils. Soils suitable of load support 5 to 90 m below ground surface. Check settlement of pile groups.	Shallow depth to hard stratum. Sites where pile driving vibrations or heave may adversely impact adjacent facilities. Boulder fields.
Drilled shafts (shaft resistance, toe resistance or combination).	Larger column loads than for piles. Cap sometimes eliminated by using drilled shafts as column extension.	Poor surface and near surface soils. Soils and/or rock of suitable load support located 8 to 90 m below ground surface.	Deep deposits of soft clays and loose water bearing granular soils. Caving formations difficult to stabilize. Artesian conditions. Boulder fields.

\* Modified from Bowles (1977).

## 7.2 CONSIDERATION OF SPREAD FOOTING FOUNDATION

The feasibility of using spread footings for foundation support should be considered in any foundation selection process. Spread footings are generally more economical than deep foundations (piles and drilled shafts); spread footings in conjunction with ground improvement techniques should also be considered. **Deep foundations should not be used indiscriminately for all subsurface conditions and for all structures.** There are subsurface conditions where pile foundations are very difficult and costly to install, and other conditions when they may not be necessary.

## 7.3 ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEED FOR A DEEP FOUNDATION

The first difficult problem facing the foundation designer is to establish whether or not the site conditions dictate that a deep foundation must be used. Vesic (1977) summarized typical situations in which piles may be needed. These typical situations as well as additional uses of deep foundations are shown in Figure 7.1.

Figure 7.1(a) shows the most common case in which the upper soil strata are too compressible or too weak to support heavy vertical loads. In this case, deep foundations transfer loads to a deeper dense stratum and act as toe bearing foundations. In the absence of a dense stratum within a reasonable depth, the loads must be gradually transferred, mainly through soil resistance along shaft, Figure 7.1(b). An important point to remember is that deep foundations transfer load through unsuitable layers to suitable layers. The foundation designer must define at what depth suitable soil layers begin in the soil profile.

Deep foundations are frequently needed because of the relative inability of shallow footings to resist inclined, lateral, or uplift loads and overturning moments. Deep foundations resist uplift loads by shaft resistance, Figure 7.I(c). Lateral loads are resisted either by vertical deep foundations in bending, Figure 7.I(d), or by groups of vertical and battered foundations, which combine the axial and lateral resistances of all deep foundations in the group, Figure 7.I(e). Lateral loads from overhead highway signs and noise walls may also be resisted by groups of deep foundations, Figure 7.1(f).

Deep foundations are often required when scour around footings could cause loss of bearing capacity at shallow depths, Figure 7.I(g). In this case the deep foundations must extend below the depth of scour and develop the full capacity in the support zone below the level of expected scour. FHWA scour guidelines (1991) require the geotechnical analysis of bridge foundations to be performed on the basis that all stream bed materials in the scour prism have been removed and are not available for bearing or lateral support. Costly damage and the need for future underpinning can be avoided by properly designing for scour conditions.

Soils subject to liquefaction in a seismic event may also dictate that a deep foundation be used, Figure 7.1(h). Seismic events can induce significant lateral loads to deep foundations. During a seismic event, liquefaction susceptible soils offer less lateral resistance as well as reduced shaft resistance to a deep foundation. Liquefaction effects on deep foundation performance must be considered for deep foundations in seismic areas.

Deep foundations are often used as fender systems to protect bridge piers from vessel impact, Figure 7.1(i). Fender system sizes and group configurations vary depending upon the magnitude of vessel impact forces to be resisted. In some cases, vessel impact loads must be resisted by the bridge pier foundation elements. Single deep foundations may also be used to support navigation aids.

In urban areas, deep foundations may occasionally be needed to support structures adjacent to locations where future excavations are planned or could occur, Figure 7.1(j). Use of shallow foundations in these situations could require future underpinning in conjunction with adjacent construction.

Deep foundations are used in areas of expansive or collapsible soils to resist undesirable seasonal movements of the foundations. Deep foundations under such conditions are designed to transfer foundation loads, including uplift or downdrag, to a level unaffected by seasonal moisture movements, Figure 7.1(k).



Figure 7.1 Situations in which Deep Foundations may be Needed (modified from Vesic, 1977)

In many instances either a shallow or deep foundation alternative is technically feasible. Under these circumstances, an evaluation of the shallow foundation should include; (1) the dimensions and depth of shallow footings based on allowable bearing capacity, (2) the magnitude and time-rate of settlement under anticipated loads, and (3) detailed cost analysis including such factors as need for cofferdams, overall substructure cost, dewatering and foundation seals, construction time, construction risk and claims potential. A comparative analysis of feasible deep foundation alternatives should also be made. The cost analyses of feasible alternatives should have a significant role in final selection of the foundation type.

Because this manual deals only with driven pile foundations, other types of foundations will not be discussed further.

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#### 8. PILE TYPES AND GUIDELINES FOR SELECTION

The selection of a pile foundation type for a structure should be based on the specific soil conditions as well as the foundation loading requirements and final performance criteria. This chapter focuses on the characteristics of driven pile foundation types typically used for highway structures. Design data useful in the selection and design of specific pile types is included in Appendix C. Additional details on pile splices and toe protection devices are presented in Chapter 23.

### 8.1 OVERVIEW OF TYPICAL PILE TYPES

Piles can be broadly categorized in two main types: foundation piles for support of structural loads and sheet piles for earth retention systems. Discussion of sheet piles is outside the scope of this manual.

There are numerous types of foundation piles. Figure 8.1 shows a pile classification system based on type of material, configuration, installation technique and equipment used for installation. Foundation piles can also be classified on the basis of their method of load transfer from the pile to the surrounding soil mass. Load transfer can be by shaft resistance, toe bearing resistance or a combination of both.

Table 8-1 modified from NAVFAC (1982) summarizes characteristics and uses of common pile types. The table is for preliminary guidance only, and should be confirmed by local practice. In addition the design load should be determined by geotechnical engineering principles, limiting stresses in the pile material, and type and function of structure. Uncased cast in place concrete piles, although outside the scope of this driven pile manual, are included in this chapter because all feasible pile types should be considered in any selection process.



TABLE 8-1 TECHNICAL SUMMARY OF PILES*		
PILE TYPE	TIMBER	TYPICAL ILLUSTRATION
TYPICAL LENGTHS	5 m - 20 m	
MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS	ASTM-D25 AWPA-C3 (if used)	Grade
MAXIMUM STRESSES	See Chapter 11.	
TYPICAL AXIAL DESIGN LOADS	100 kN - 500 kN	300 mm - 550 mm Pile shall be Treated with
DISADVANTAGES	<ul> <li>Difficult to splice.</li> <li>Vulnerable to damage in hard driving; both pile head and toe may need protection.</li> <li>Intermittently submerged piles are vulnerable to decay unless treated.</li> </ul>	Wood Preservative © <u>Cross Section</u> 
ADVANTAGES	<ul> <li>Comparatively low in initial cost.</li> <li>Permanently submerged piles are resistant to decay.</li> <li>Easy to handle.</li> </ul>	
REMARKS	Best suited for friction piles in granular material.	

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TABLE 8-1 TECHNICAL SUMMARY OF PILES* (CONTINUED)		
PILE TYPE	STEEL - H SECTIONS	TYPICAL ILLUSTRATION
TYPICAL LENGTHS	5 m - 30 m	
MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS	ASTM - A36 or A572, Grade 50	
MAXIMUM STRESSES	See Chapter 11.	- Grade
TYPICAL AXIAL DESIGN LOADS	400 kN - 2,000 kN	Cross Section
DISADVANTAGES	<ul> <li>Vulnerable to corrosion where exposed HP section may be damaged or deflected by major obstructions.</li> <li>Not recommended as a friction pile in granular materials.</li> </ul>	
ADVANTAGES	<ul> <li>Easy to splice.</li> <li>Available in various lengths and sizes.</li> <li>High capacity.</li> <li>Small displacement.</li> <li>Able to penetrate through light obstructions.</li> <li>Pile toe protection may be needed for penetration through hard obstructions or where soft rock is present.</li> </ul>	
REMARKS	<ul><li>Best suited for toe bearing on rock.</li><li>Allowable capacity should be reduced in corrosive locations.</li></ul>	

TABLE 8-1 TECHNICAL SUMMARY OF PILES* (CONTINUED)		
PILE TYPE	STEEL PIPE PILES	TYPICAL ILLUSTRATION
TYPICAL LENGTHS	10 m - 40 m or more.	
MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS	ASTM A252 - for pipe. ACI 318 - for concrete (if filled). ASTM A36 or A572 - for core (if used).	
MAXIMUM STRESSES	See Chapter 11.	200 mm - 1220 mm Grade
TYPICAL AXIAL DESIGN LOADS	800 kN - 2,500 kN with or without concrete fill and without cores. 5,000 kN - 15,000 kN concrete filled with cores.	Cross Section of Plain Pipe Pile Shell Thickness 8 mm - 25 mm 300 mm - 900 mm
DISADVANTAGES	<ul> <li>Displacement for closed end pipe.</li> <li>Open ended not recommended as a friction pile in granular material.</li> </ul>	Cross Section of Pipe Pile with Core Socket Required for High
ADVANTAGES	<ul> <li>Best control during installation.</li> <li>Low displacement for open end installation.</li> <li>Open end pipe is best against obstructions.</li> <li>Piles can be cleaned out and driven further.</li> <li>High load capacities.</li> <li>Easy to splice.</li> </ul>	End Closure may be Flat Plate, Conical Point, or Omitted
REMARKS	<ul> <li>Provides high bending resistance where unsupported length is loaded laterally.</li> </ul>	

TABLE 8-1 TECHNICAL SUMMARY OF PILES* (CONTINUED)		
PILE TYPE	PRECAST/PRESTRESSED CONCRETE	TYPICAL ILLUSTRATION
TYPICAL LENGTHS	10 m - 15 m for precast. 15 m - 40 m for prestressed.	
MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS	ACI 318 - for concrete. ASTM - A82, A615, A722, and A884 - for reinforcing steel. ASTM - A416, A421, and A882 - for prestressing.	Grade Typical Cross Sections
MAXIMUM STRESSES	See Chapter 11.	
TYPICAL AXIAL DESIGN LOADS	400 kN - 1,000 kN for precast. 400 kN - 4,500 kN for prestressed.	
DISADVANTAGES	<ul> <li>Unless prestressed, vulnerable to handling damage.</li> <li>Relatively high breakage rate, especially when piles are to be spliced.</li> <li>High initial cost.</li> <li>Considerable displacement.</li> <li>Prestressed difficult to splice.</li> </ul>	Taper may be Omitted
ADVANTAGES	<ul><li>High load capacities.</li><li>Corrosion resistance obtainable.</li><li>Hard driving possible.</li></ul>	Note: Reinforcing may be Prestressed
REMARKS	<ul> <li>Cylinder piles are well suited for bending resistance.</li> </ul>	

TABLE 8-1 TECHNICAL SUMMARY OF PILES* (CONTINUED)		
PILE TYPE	CAST IN PLACE CONCRETE (MANDREL DRIVEN SHELL)	TYPICAL ILLUSTRATION
TYPICAL LENGTHS	3 m - 40 m, but typically in the 15 m - 25 m range.	
MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS	ACI 318 - for concrete.	
MAXIMUM STRESSES	<ul> <li>33% of 28-day strength of concrete, with increase to 40% of 28-day strength provided:</li> <li>Casing is a minimum of 12 gage thickness.</li> <li>Casing is seamless or with welded seams.</li> <li>Ratio of steel yield strength to concrete is not less than 6.</li> <li>Pile diameter not greater than 450 mm.</li> </ul>	Grade Grade- 200 mm - 450 mm
TYPICAL AXIAL DESIGN LOADS	Designed for a wide loading range but generally in the 400-1400 kN range.	Cross Section Corrugated Shell
DISADVANTAGES	<ul> <li>Difficult to splice after concreting.</li> <li>Redriving not recommended.</li> <li>Thin shell vulnerable during driving to excessive earth pressure or impact.</li> <li>Considerable displacement.</li> </ul>	Thickness 12 to 20 gage (3.3 to 0.5 mm) Sides Straight or Tapered
ADVANTAGES	<ul> <li>Initial economy.</li> <li>Tapered sections provide higher resistance in granular soil than uniform piles.</li> <li>Can be inspected after driving.</li> <li>Relatively less waste of steel.</li> <li>Can be designed as toe bearing or friction pile.</li> </ul>	
REMARKS	• Best suited as friction pile in granular materials.	

TABLE 8-1 TECHNICAL SUMMARY OF PILES* (CONTINUED)			
PILE TYPE	CAST IN PLACE CONCRETE (SHELLS DRIVEN WITHOUT A MANDREL)	TYPICAL ILLUST	RATION
TYPICAL LENGTHS	5 m - 25 m		
MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS	ACI 318 - for concrete. ASTM A252 - for steel pipe.	Grade -	300 mm - 450 mm
MAXIMUM STRESSES	See Chapter 11.	Sides -	Shell Thickness 3 mm - 6 mm Typical Cross Section
TYPICAL AXIAL DESIGN LOADS	500 kN - 1350 kN	Straight or Tapered	(Fluted Shell) 250 mm - 900 mm
DISADVANTAGES	<ul><li>Difficult to splice after concreting.</li><li>Considerable displacement.</li></ul>	→ Minimum Toe Diameter 200 m	Shell Thickness 3 mm - 6 mm Typical Cross Section (Spiral Welded Shell)
ADVANTAGES	<ul><li>Can be redriven.</li><li>Shell not easily damaged if fluted.</li></ul>		
REMARKS	• Best suited for friction piles of medium length.		

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\* Table modified and reproduced from NAVFAC DM 7.2 (1982)

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TABLE 8-1 TECHNICAL SUMMARY OF PILES* (CONTINUED)		
PILE TYPE	COMPOSITE PILES	TYPICAL ILLUSTRATION
TYPICAL LENGTHS	15 m - 65 m	
MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS	ASTM A36 or A572 - for structural section. ASTM A252 - for steel pipe. ASTM D25 - for timber. ACI 318 - for concrete.	Grade
MAXIMUM STRESSES	33% of 28-day strength of concrete. 62 MPa for structural and pipe sections if thickness is greater than 4 mm.	HP Section -
TYPICAL AXIAL DESIGN LOADS	300 kN - 1,800 kN	
DISADVANTAGES	<ul> <li>Difficult to attain good joints between two materials except for pipe composite piles.</li> </ul>	Steel — Pipe — Concrete
ADVANTAGES	<ul> <li>Considerable length can be provided at comparatively low cost for wood composite piles.</li> <li>High capacity for pipe and HP composite piles.</li> <li>Internal inspection for pipe composite piles.</li> </ul>	Filled → Steel Shell ← HP Section
REMARKS	The weakest of any material used shall govern allowable stresses and capacity.	

TABLE 8-1 TECHNICAL SUMMARY OF PILES* (CONTINUED)		
PILE TYPE	DRILLED SHAFTS	TYPICAL ILLUSTRATION
TYPICAL LENGTHS	Up to 50 m	
MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS	ACI 318 - for concrete. ASTM A82, A615, A722, and A884 for reinforcing steel.	Grade
MAXIMUM	33% of 28-day strength of concrete.	Poor Bearing Soil
STRESSES	-	
TYPICAL AXIAL DESIGN LOADS	1,500 kN - 20,000 kN	4 4 4
DISADVANTAGES	<ul> <li>Requires relatively more extensive inspection.</li> <li>Construction procedures are critical to quality.</li> <li>Boulders can be a serious problem, especially in small diameter shafts.</li> </ul>	Good Bearing Layer or Rock
ADVANTAGES	<ul> <li>Length variations easily accommodated.</li> <li>High bearing capacity and bending resistance.</li> <li>Availability of several construction methods.</li> <li>Can be continued above ground as a column.</li> <li>Can eliminate the need for cofferdam.</li> </ul>	Resistance
REMARKS	<ul> <li>Not recommended in soft clays and loose sands.</li> </ul>	

TABLE 8-1 TECHNICAL SUMMARY OF PILES* (CONTINUED)		
PILE TYPE	AUGER PLACED, PRESSURE INJECTED CONCRETE PILES (CFA PILES)	TYPICAL ILLUSTRATION
TYPICAL LENGTHS	5 m - 15 m	
MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS	ACI 318 - for concrete. ASTM A82, A615, A722, & A884 - for reinforcing steel.	
MAXIMUM STRESSES	33% of 28-day strength of concrete.	Grade Typical Cross Section
TYPICAL AXIAL DESIGN LOADS	350 kN - 700 kN	300 mm - 400 mm
DISADVANTAGES	<ul> <li>Greater dependence on quality workmanship.</li> <li>Not suitable through peat or similar highly compressible material.</li> <li>Requires more extensive subsurface exploration.</li> </ul>	Fluid Concrete Causes Expansion of Pile Diameter in Weak Soil Zones. Soil is Compacted
ADVANTAGES	<ul> <li>Economy.</li> <li>Zero displacement.</li> <li>Minimal vibration to endanger adjacent structures.</li> <li>High shaft resistance.</li> <li>Good contact on rock for end end bearing.</li> <li>Convenient for low-headroom underpinning work.</li> <li>Visual inspection of augured material.</li> </ul>	Drilled Piles can be Properly Seated in Bearing Layer.
REMARKS	<ul> <li>Best suited as a friction pile in granular material.</li> </ul>	

TABLE 8-1 TECHNICAL SUMMARY OF PILES (CONTINUED)		
PILE TYPE	DRILLED AND GROUTED MICROPILES	TYPICAL ILLUSTRATION
TYPICAL LENGTHS	20 m - 30 m	Generate Grade
MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS	ASTM C150 - for Portland cement. ASTM C595 - for blended hydraulic cement. ASTM A615 - for reinforcing steel.	
TYPICAL AXIAL DESIGN LOADS	300 kN - 1000 kN	
DISADVANTAGES	• Cost	
ADVANTAGES	<ul> <li>Low noise and vibrations.</li> <li>Small amount of spoil.</li> <li>Applicable for sites with low headroom and restricted access.</li> <li>Applicability to soil containing rubble and boulders, karstic areas.</li> </ul>	Cross Section 130 - 230 mm Grout Steel Reinforcing Bar (typically 100 - 180 mm)
REMARKS	• Can be used for any soil, rock or fill condition.	

TABLE 8-1 TECHNICAL SUMMARY OF PILES* (CONTINUED)			
PILE TYPE	PRESSURE INJECTED FOOTINGS	TYPICAL ILLUSTRATION	
TYPICAL LENGTHS	3 m - 15 m	430 mm - 660 mm 300 mm - 500 mm Grade Grad	
MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS	ACI 318 - for concrete. ASTM A252 for steel pipe.		
MAXIMUM STRESSES	33% of 28-day strength of concrete. 62 MPa for pipe shell if thickness is greater than 4 mm.		
TYPICAL AXIAL DESIGN LOADS	600 kN - 1,200 kN		
DISADVANTAGES	<ul> <li>Base of footing cannot be made in clay or when hard spots (e.g., rock ledges) are present in soil.</li> <li>When clay layers must be penetrated to reach suitable material, special precautions are required for shafts in groups.</li> </ul>		
ADVANTAGES	<ul> <li>Provides means for placing high capacity footings on bearing stratum without necessity for excavation or dewatering.</li> <li>High blow energy available for overcoming obstructions.</li> <li>Great uplift resistance if suitably reinforced.</li> </ul>		
REMARKS	<ul> <li>Best suited for granular soils where bearing is achieved through compaction around base.</li> <li>Minimum spacing 1.5 m on center.</li> </ul>		

### 8.2 TIMBER PILES

Timber piles are usually of round, tapered cross section made from tree trunks of Southern Pine or Douglas Fir driven with the small end down. Southern Pine timber piles can be found to lengths up to 23 meters, and some west coast Douglas Fir may be up to 37 meters in length. Oak and other timber types have also been used for piles, but that is infrequent today. ASTM D25, Standard Specification for Round Timber Piles, presents guidelines on minimum timber pile dimensions, straightness, knot sizes, *etc.* AWPA C3, Piles, Preservative Treatment by Pressure Process, contains penetration and retention values for the various preservatives.

Timber piles are best suited for modest loads when used as friction piles in sands, silts and clays. The taper of timber piles is effective in increasing the shaft resistance, particularly in loose sands. They are not recommended as piles to be driven through dense gravel, boulders, or till, or for toe bearing piles on rock since they are vulnerable to damage at the pile head and toe in hard driving. Overdriving of timber piles can result in the crushing of fibers or brooming at the pile head. This can be controlled by using a helmet with cushion material and/or metal strapping around the head of the pile. In hard driving situations, a metal shoe should be attached to the pile toe.

Timber piles are favored for the construction of bridge fender systems and small jetties due to the good energy absorption properties of wood.

Timber pile splices are difficult and generally undesirable. However, splice details are discussed in Chapter 23.

Durability is generally not a design consideration if a timber pile is below the permanent water table. However, when a timber pile is subjected to alternate wetting and drying cycles or located above the water table, damage and decay by insects may result. Such damage reduces the service life of timber piles significantly unless the pile is treated with a wood preservative. The most common treatments for timber piling are Creosote, Chromated Copper Arsenate (CCA) for Southern Pine, and Ammoniacal Copper Zinc Arsenate (ACZA) for Douglas Fir. Creosote cannot be used alone in southern waters because of attack by limnoria tripundtata, but should be used as part of a dual treatment with CCA or ACZA. If cracking of the pile shaft or head occurs and extends below the prescribed pile cut-off level, the initial preservative treatment will not be effective, and the trimmed end of the pile should be treated a second time.

Durability of round timber piling is a function of site-specific conditions:

- 1. Foundation piles submerged in ground water will last indefinitely.
- 2. Fully embedded, treated foundation piles partially above the ground water with a concrete cap will last 100 years or longer.
- 3. Treated trestle piles over land will last as long as utility poles in the area, *i.e.*, about 75 years in northern areas and about 40 years in the southern area of the United States.
- 4. Treated piles in fresh water will last about five to ten years less than land trestle piles in the same area.
- 5. For treated piles in brackish water, the longevity should be determined by the experience in the area.
- 6. Treated marine piles will last about 50 years in northern climates and 25 years in southern climates of the United States, Graham (1995).

#### 8.3 STEEL H-PILES

Steel H-piles consist of rolled wide flange sections that have flange widths approximately equal the section depth. In most H-pile sections, the flange and web thicknesses are the same. They are manufactured in standard sizes ranging from 200 to 360 mm. In some cases, W-sections are also used for piles. A summary of standard H-pile sections including properties needed for design is provided in Appendix C.

Steel H-piles are commonly made to conform with ASTM A36 specifications. Many of the H-piles produced today meet both the requirements of ASTM A36 and A572, Grade 50 steel. Therefore, it may be possible to use the higher strength of the Grade 50 steel if the pile can be installed to sufficient capacity as limited by the soil.

H-piles are suitable for use as toe bearing piles, and as combination shaft resistance and toe bearing piles. Since H-piles generally displace a minimum amount of soil, they can be driven more easily through dense granular layers and very stiff clays than displacement piles. In addition, the problems associated with soil heave during foundation installation are often reduced by using H-piles. However, sometimes H-piles will "plug". That is, the soil being penetrated will adhere to the web and the inside flange surfaces creating a closed-end, solid section. The pile will then drive as if it were a displacement pile below the depth of plug formation. Plugging can have a substantial effect on both driving resistance and static capacity.

Experience indicates that corrosion is not a practical problem for steel piles driven in natural soil, due primarily to the absence of oxygen in the soil. However, in fill materials at or above the water table, moderate corrosion may occur and protection may be needed. One common protection method requires the application of pile coatings before and after driving. Coal-tar epoxies, fusion bonded epoxies, metallized zinc, metallized aluminum and phenolic mastics are some of the pile coatings available. Encasement by cast in place concrete, precast concrete jackets, or cathodic protection can also provide the necessary protection for piles extending above the water table. Another design option for piles subject to corrosion is to select a heavier section than that required by the design loads, anticipating the loss of material caused by corrosion.

One advantage of H-piles is the ease of extension or reduction in pile length. This makes them suitable for nonhomogeneous soils with layers of hard strata or natural obstructions. Splices are commonly made by full penetration groove welds so that the splice is as strong as the pile in both compression and bending. The welding should always be done by properly qualified welders. Proprietary splices are also used for splicing H-piles. Chapter 23 presents information on typical splices. A steel load transfer cap is not required if the pile head is adequately embedded 305 mm into the concrete pile cap. Pile toe reinforcement using commercially manufactured cast pile shoes is recommended for H-piles driven through or into very dense soil or soil containing boulders or other obstructions. Pile shoes are also used for penetration into sloping rock surfaces. Chapter 23 provides details on available driving shoes.

The disadvantages of H-piles include a tendency to deviate when natural obstructions are encountered. Field capacity verification of H-piles used as friction piles in granular soils based on the driving resistance can also be problematic, and can result in length overruns. Length for length, steel piles tend to be more expensive than concrete piles. On the other hand, steel's high design load for a given weight can reduce pile driving costs.

#### 8.4 STEEL PIPE PILES

Pipe piles consist of seamless, welded or spiral welded steel pipes in diameters ranging from 200 to 1220 mm. Still larger sizes are available, but they are not used commonly in land or nearshore applications. Typical wall thicknesses range from 3 to 25 mm with wall thicknesses of up to 64 mm possible. Pipe piles should be specified by grade with reference to ASTM A-252. In some situations, a contractor may propose to supply used pipe not produced under ASTM standards. Pipe piles not meeting ASTM standards must be evaluated by an engineer for general condition, driveability, and weldability prior to approval. Appendix C includes a table of dimensions and design properties for pipe piles.

Steel pipe piles can be used in friction, toe bearing, a combination of both, or as rock socketed piles. They are commonly used where variable pile lengths are required since splicing is relatively easy. Common offshore or nearshore applications of pipe piles include their use as bridge foundation piles, fender systems, and large diameter mooring dolphins. With the increased ductility requirements for earthquake resistant design, pipe piles are being used extensively in seismic areas.

Pipe piles may be driven either open or closed end. If the capacity from the full pile toe area is required, the pile toe should be closed with a flat plate or a conical tip. Pipe pile shafts may be left open or filled with concrete, and they can also have a structural shape such as an H-section inserted into the concrete. Open end pipe piles can be socketed into bedrock (rock socketed piles). In driving through dense materials, open end piles may form a soil plug. The plug makes the pile act like a closed end pile and can significantly increase the pile toe resistance. The plug should not be removed unless the pile is to be filled with concrete. Most often, pipe piles are driven from the pile head. However, closed end pipe piles can also be bottom driven using a mandrel.

A closed end pipe pile is generally formed by welding a 12 to 25 mm thick flat steel plate or a conical point to the pile toe. When pipe piles are driven to weathered rock or through boulders, a cruciform end plate or a conical point with rounded nose is often used to prevent distortion of the pile toe. Open ended piles can also be reinforced with steel cutting shoes to provide protection against damage.

Typically, pipe piles are spliced using full penetration groove welds. Proprietary splicing sleeves are available and should be used only if the splice can provide full strength in bending (unless the splice will be located at a distance below ground where bending moments are small). Typical pile splices are described in Chapter 23. The discussion presented under H-piles on corrosion is also applicable to steel pipe piles.

The 'spin fin pile' is a variation of a pipe pile recently introduced along the west coast. It is a pipe pile with an outside thread made of fins that gradually wind around the lower portion of the pile. During driving the pile rotates, but in response to uplift the pile is prevented from twisting. This results in a plugging effect that increases the pile's uplift capacity.

### 8.5 PRECAST CONCRETE PILES

This general classification covers both conventionally reinforced concrete and prestressed concrete piles. Both types can be manufactured by various methods and are available in a number of different cross sections. Frequently concrete piles are cast with a hollow core. The hollow core may be used for a jet pipe (if continuous), for placing instrumentation during construction, or for determining pile damage. Precast concrete piles are usually of constant cross section but can also include a tapered section near the pile toe.

Precast concrete piles are suitable for use as friction piles when driven in sand, gravel, or clays. In boulder conditions, a short piece of structural H-section or "stinger" may be cast into or attached to the pile toe for penetrating through the zone of cobbles and boulders. A rock shoe or "Oslo point" cast into the pile toe can assist seating of concrete piles into a rock surface. Precast concrete piles are capable of high capacities when used as toe bearing piles.

Concrete piles are considered resistant to corrosion but can be damaged by direct chemical attack (from organic soil, industrial wastes or organic fills), electrolytic action (chemical or stray direct currents), or oxidation. Concrete can be protected from chemical attack by use of special cements and by special coatings as discussed in Section 8.8.

A necessary consideration when dealing with hollow core precast concrete piles driven in water includes the evaluation of internal pressures within the cylinder which can reach bursting pressures and cause vertical cracks during driving. Another concern for piles driven through water is water jet cracking. If a pile is under high tension stresses during driving, small cracks can open and close during each hammer blow. If the cracks are large enough, water can enter the cracks and subsequently be expelled at high velocities. Water jet pressures will often cause concrete deterioration near the cracks. This process can also be accelerated by the high impact compressive forces induced by driving. A high prestressing force in concrete piles can help reduce this danger by resisting tension stresses during driving and thereby reducing the risk of crack development.

### 8.5.1 Prestressed Concrete Piles

Prestressed concrete piles consist of a configuration similar to a conventional reinforced concrete pile except that the longitudinal reinforcing steel is replaced by the prestressing steel. The prestressing steel may be in the form of strands or wires which are enclosed in a conventional steel spiral and placed in tension. Prestressing steel must conform to ASTM A416, A421, and A882. Due to the effects of prestressing, these piles can usually be made lighter and longer than reinforced concrete piles of the same size.

Prestressed sections vary from the most common solid square section to a solid octagonal section. In addition, large sections are available but often these sections have internal circular voids. These piles are best suited for friction piles in sands, gravels and clays where a known pile length is required since prestressed piles can be difficult to shorten.

Prestressed piles can either be pretensioned or post-tensioned. Pretensioned piles are usually cast to their full length in permanent casting beds. Post-tensioned piles are usually manufactured in sections and assembled and prestressed to the required pile lengths at the manufacturing plant or on the job site. Figure 8.2 shows typical prestressed concrete piles. Design data for typical prestressed concrete pile sections is presented in Appendix C.



Figure 8.2 Typical Prestressed Concrete Piles (after PCI, 1993)

The primary advantage of prestressed concrete piles compared to conventional reinforced concrete piles is durability. Since the concrete is under continuous compression, hairline cracks are kept tightly closed and thus prestressed piles are usually more resistant to weathering and corrosion than conventionally reinforced piles. This characteristic of prestressed concrete removes the need for special steel coatings since corrosion is not as serious a problem as for reinforced concrete. Another advantage of prestressing is that the tensile stresses which can develop in the concrete under certain driving and handling conditions are less critical.

Prestressed concrete pile are more vulnerable to damage from striking hard layers of soil or obstructions during driving than reinforced concrete piles. This is due to the decrease in axial compression capacity which results from the application of the prestressing force.

Prestressed concrete piles cutoff and splicing problems are considered much more serious by contractors that drive them infrequently than by those that drive only this pile type. Special reinforcement required at the pile head in seismic areas can pose problems if actual lengths vary significantly from the planned length. In these cases, a splice detail must be included so that the seismic reinforcement is extended into the pile cap.

#### 8.5.2 Reinforced Concrete Piles

These piles are manufactured from concrete and have reinforcement consisting of a steel cage made up of several longitudinal bars and lateral or tie steel in the form of individual hoops or a spiral. Steel reinforcing for reinforced concrete piles is governed by ASTM A82, A615, and A884. High yield strength steel reinforcement must conform to ASTM A722 and may be used to resist uplift loads. Figure 8.3 shows a typical reinforced concrete pile.

Reinforced concrete piles as compared to prestressed piles are more susceptible to damage during handling and driving because of tensile stresses. Advantages of reinforced concrete piles include their lower net compressive stresses during driving and under service loads, and a reduced danger of pile head cracking. In addition, these piles are easier to splice than prestressed piles and thus may be used when variable pile lengths are needed. To avoid corrosion of the reinforced concrete joints, splices should be located below the ground surface, or if under water, the mudline. Segmental pile sections can be used to produce piles with varied lengths to accommodate variable soil conditions, and are easily transported to job sites.

The most common type of jointed pile is a square cross section made of high density concrete with each successive unit of shorter length. Typical pile cross sections range from 250 to 400 mm, but sizes above and below this range are produced. Joints between these pile sections can be of the mechanical type, including bayonet fittings or wedges. The joints must be well aligned or energy will be lost during driving and bending stresses may be introduced due to an eccentric connection. These piles are best suited for friction piles in sand, gravel and clay.

Another jointed reinforced concrete pile type utilizes a hexagonal section. The advantages of this cross sectional shape are an improved stress distribution over the pile section and an improved resistance to torsional loading.

Special precautions should be taken when placing piles during cold weather. If piles are driven through ice and water before reaching soil, the air and concrete may be at low temperatures relative to the soil and water. Such temperature gradients can cause concrete to crack due to nonuniform shrinkage and expansion.



Figure 8.3 Typical Details of Conventionally Reinforced Concrete Piles (after PCA, 1951)

Although most reinforced concrete piles are jointed, there are occasions when nonjointed piles are more economical due to the cost of pile segments. Often for a very large job when thousands of piles will be used, piles can be economically cast on site. Most non-jointed piles have a square cross section and are difficult to change in length. Only a few splicing procedures exist if a situation arises where a reinforced concrete pile must be lengthened. The first method of pile lengthening involves the breakdown of the projecting pile head to provide a suitable lap for reinforcing steel. Concrete is cast to form a joint. A second option is to butt the two piles together within a steel sleeve, and use an epoxy cement to join the two piles. The last lengthening method involves the use of dowel bars to be inserted into drilled holes with epoxy cement to form the joint. If piles are lengthened, the connecting pile sections must be carefully aligned, since excessive bending stresses may result if any eccentricity exists. Splicing problems tend to become less severe or even non-existent when contractors develop experience and techniques. Special reinforcement required at the pile head in seismic areas can pose problems if actual lengths vary significantly from the planned length. In these cases, a splice detail must be included so that the seismic reinforcement is extended into the pile cap.

Reinforced concrete piles are used infrequently in the United States. However, in Europe, Australia, and many Asian countries reinforced concrete piles are used routinely based on economic considerations.

#### 8.5.3 Concrete Cylinder Piles

Concrete cylinder piles are post-tensioned, hollow concrete piles which are cast in sections, bonded with a plastic joint compound, and then post tensioned in lengths containing several segments. Special concrete is cast by a process unique to cylinder piles which achieves high density and low porosity. The pile is virtually impervious to moisture. Results of chloride ion penetration and permeability tests on prestressed cylinder piles indicate that the spun cylinder piles have excellent resistance to chloride intrusion. Figure 8.4 shows the typical configuration of a cylinder pile. Appendix C provides appropriate engineering design data.

Generally cylinder piles are used for marine structures or land trestles and have high resistance to corrosion. In freeze-thaw conditions however, the long term resistance of cylindrical piles is required. The piles typically extend above ground and are designed to resist a combination of axial loads and bending moments. They are available in diameters of 915 to 1675 mm.

Cylinder piles are sometimes quite difficult to drive. However, they usually extend directly to the superstructure support level avoiding the need for a pile cap, which can result in substantial cost savings. Jetting is often used to install cylinder piles to the desired depth. When used, jetting must be controlled to minimize degradation of the lateral soil resistance.



Figure 8.4 Concrete Cylinder Pile

# 8.6 CAST IN PLACE CONCRETE PILES

Cast in place concrete piles are installed by placing concrete in a steel shell that has been driven or inserted into a bored hole in the ground. The steel shell or casing may be left in place or withdrawn after the concrete is placed. Concrete is also placed in predrilled holes that are uncased. Predetermination of pile lengths is not as critical as for precast concrete piling.

## 8.6.1 Cased Driven Shell Concrete Piles

The cased driven shell concrete pile is the most widely used type of cast in place concrete pile. There are two principal types of cased piles. One type is driven without a mandrel and the other is driven with a mandrel. A mandrel is usually a heavy tubular steel section inserted into the pile that greatly improves the pile driveability. After driving, the mandrel is removed. Shells driven without mandrels have thicknesses in the range of 3 to 64 mm. Shells driven with mandrels are much thinner, often 10 to 24 gage or 3.3 to 0.5 mm thick. The mandrel driven shells are usually corrugated circumferentially. This results in excellent frictional characteristics and increased collapse strength prior to concrete placement.
After driving, a shell pile is inspected internally along its full length before concrete is placed. Reinforcing steel is required only when the concrete in the pile may be under tension from such conditions as uplift, high lateral loads, or for unsupported pile lengths. Reinforcing steel may also be used to provide additional axial load capacity.

### a. Mandrel Driven Shell Concrete Piles

Mandrel driven shells can be used in most soil conditions except where obstacles such as cobbles and boulders are present that could damage the thin shells during driving. In addition, these thin shells are susceptible to collapse under hydrostatic pressure prior to concrete placement. They are best suited for friction piles in granular material.

The pile shells for mandrel driven piles are often produced from sections of corrugated steel and can be of constant diameter, steadily decreasing in diameter from the pile head to the pile toe, or diameter decreasing in discrete steps over the pile length. Typical tapers are on the order of 25 mm per 2.5 meter length. It is also possible to have different lengths for each section. Separate shell sections are usually screw-connected and waterproofed with an O-ring gasket. The Step Taper, Armco Hel-Cor, Republic Corwel and Guild pile are among the piles driven with mandrels.

The properties of the reusable mandrels dictate the driveability of these shell pile sections. This can result in a significant cost advantage for a mandrel driven shell pile since the mandrels result in improved pile driveability and load capacity at low material costs. Construction control of mandrel driven piles should include a wave equation analysis that accounts for the improved pile driveability from the mandrel. A dynamic formula should not be used for construction control of mandrel driven piles. Mandrel driven piles may be costly if it is necessary to drive piles to an unanticipated depth that exceeds the mandrel length available at the job site.

### b. Monotube - Cased Concrete Piles

The Monotube pile is a proprietary pile driven without a mandrel. Monotubes are longitudinally fluted and are tapered over the lower pile length. These piles are available in 3 to 9 gage shell thicknesses or roughly 6 mm to 4 mm. The fluted

and tapered design of Monotube piles has several functional advantages. The flutes add stiffness necessary for handling and driving lightweight piles. The flutes also increase the surface area while the tapered section improves the capacity per unit length in compression loading. The flutes are formed by cold working when the pile is manufactured. The cold working increases the yield point of the steel to more than 350 MPa, further improving the pile driveability. Monotube sections are spliced by a frictional connection and a fillet weld between a non-tapered extension and the lower pile section into which it is inserted. The manufacturer's recommended splicing detail should be followed. Additional design data for the Monotube pile is included in Appendix C.

### c. Pipe - Cased Concrete Piles

Another variation of the cased, cast in place pile is the concrete filled pipe pile. These pipe piles can be driven either open or closed end. Closed end piles can be driven conventionally from the pile head, can be bottom driven with a mandrel, or by a mandrel engaged at both the pile head and toe. Open end piles are usually driven from the pile head. Piles that are driven open ended, may require internal clean out if the pile will be concrete filled to some distance below grade. Before concrete placement, steel reinforcement and uplift resisting dowels can be added, as necessary. Open end pipe piles are seldom cleaned out full length unless a rock socket is planned or short pile lengths are used.

### d. Fundex Tubex or Grout-Injected Tubex Piles

The Fundex pile is a unique form of a pipe-cased, cast in place concrete pile. Instead of the pile being driven into the ground with a hammer, it is screwed into the ground with a special iron drill point which is welded to the end of the first section of pipe. A drill table then forces the pile into the ground utilizing a constant vertical load and torque. When the first pipe section reaches a depth providing sufficient headroom for the attachment of a second pipe section, the second section is welded to the first and drilling is resumed. Depending on the soil conditions, the pipe casing can be installed either grouted or non-grouted. Grouting can be used along the entire pile length or only in the bearing layer of the soil. The grout shell is created by pressure-injecting cement grout throughout the specified pile depth. Once the pile reaches its final design penetration, grouting is stopped and steel reinforcement is placed. The drill point is left in place at the toe of the pile, providing a waterproof pile toe for concrete filling of the pipe casing.

Some of the advantages of the Fundex Tubex piles include vibrationless and quiet installation, drilling equipment that can be used in confined spaces, and a removable mast that allows installation with only 6 meters of overhead clearance. In addition, the grout-injected Tubex pile can make use of a bentonite-water slurry to lessen frictional drag during installation when grout is not being injected into the soil surrounding the pile wall.

### e. Driven and Drilled-In Caisson Piles

The Drilled-In Caisson is a special type of high capacity, cased, cast in place pile used for large engineering structures. The casing of this pile is usually a heavy-walled pipe fitted with a drive shoe which is driven to bedrock and sealed off within the rock. Once the casing reaches bedrock, it is cleaned out and a socket is drilled into the rock with rotary drilling equipment. Next the rock socket is cleaned, and a steel H-shaped core or reinforcing cage is placed before filling the rock socket and cased pipe with concrete.

### 8.6.2 Uncased Concrete Piles

There are several types of cast in place piles that can be classified as uncased piles. Two principal types of uncased piles are bored piles and compacted concrete piles.

#### a. Bored Piles

Bored piles are installed by drilling or augering a hole in the ground and filling it with concrete. Bored pile installations should be performed carefully by an experienced contractor and with experienced inspection. Bored piles are susceptible to problems such as necking (smaller pile diameter at some locations along their length), grout contamination by soil, or bore hole collapse. Bored, uncased piles have a high degree of risk for structural integrity. There are several types of bored piles and they do not have the advantage of capacity determination from driving observations.

- (1) Continuous flight auger (CFA) or auger-cast piles are usually installed by turning a continuous-flight hollow-stem auger into the ground to the required depth. As the auger is withdrawn, grout or concrete is pumped under pressure through the hollow stem, filling the hole from the bottom up. Frequently vertical reinforcing steel is pushed down into the grout or concrete shaft before it hardens. Uplift tension reinforcing can be installed by placing a single high strength steel bar through the hollow stem of the auger before grouting. After reinforcing steel is placed, the pile head is cleaned of any lumps of soil which may have fallen from the auger. Then the pile head is formed with a temporary steel sleeve to protect the fresh grout from contamination, or it is formed to the ground surface above the cutoff grade and later trimmed off to the cutoff elevation.
- (2) Drilled shafts are installed by mechanically drilling a hole to the required depth and filling the hole with concrete. Sometimes an enlarged base is formed mechanically to increase the toe bearing area. Drilling slurry or a temporary liner can be used when the sides of the hole are unstable. Reinforcing steel is installed as a cage inserted prior to concrete placement. Drilled shafts are often used where large toe bearing capacities can be achieved, such as on rock or in glacial tills. They are also used where support is primarily developed through shaft resistance in granular and cohesive soils, and rock. Drilled shafts are sometimes designed with a permanent steel casing.
- (3) Drilled and grouted piles (micropiles) are installed by rotating a casing with a cutting edge into the soil or by percussion methods. Soil cuttings are removed with circulating drilling fluid. Reinforcing steel is then inserted and a sand-cement grout is pumped through a tremie. The bored hole is filled from the bottom up while the casing is withdrawn. These piles are principally used for underpinning work, seismic retrofitting and landslide stabilization. Several types of micropiles leave the casing in place for added bending resistance and axial capacity.
- (4) Preplaced aggregate piles are installed by drilling a hole to the required depth, filling the hole with coarse aggregate, pumping grout into the column of aggregate, and filling it from the bottom up.

(5) Helical Screw cast in place piles are formed using the Atlas Piling System. The helical piles are displacement piles formed using a single-start auger head with a short flight. The auger head is carried on a hollow stem which transmits a large torque and compressive force as it is screwed into the ground to the required depth. After reinforcement is placed, concrete is poured through the end of the hollow auger and the auger is slowly unscrewed and removed. This process leaves behind a screw-threaded cast in place pile with large threads which provide increased surface area for improved shaft resistance. In fact, for a given pile size and volume of concrete, pile capacities are greater than for traditionally constructed bored piles. The disadvantage of this pile type is that the restricted diameter of the reinforcement cage limits the bending capacity.

### b. <u>Compacted Concrete Pile</u>

The compacted concrete pile is installed by bottom driving a temporary steel casing into the ground using a drop weight driving on a zero slump concrete plug at the bottom of the casing. When the required depth has been reached, the steel casing is restrained from above and the concrete plug is driven out the bottom of the tube. An enlarged base is formed by adding and driving out small batches of zero slump concrete.

Steel reinforcing is then installed prior to adding more concrete to the shaft. It is suggested that widely spaced bars be used to allow the low workability mix to penetrate to the exterior of the piles. After the base is formed and reinforcement is placed, concrete continues to be added and the uncased shaft is formed by compacting the concrete with a drop weight in short lifts as the casing is being withdrawn. Alternatively, if a high workability mix is used to complete the pile, a vibrator can be clamped to the top of the tube and used to compact the concrete into place as the casing is withdrawn.

This type of driven, cast in place pile is often referred to as a Franki pile or pressure injected footing. The best site conditions for these piles are loose to medium dense granular soils.

### 8.7 COMPOSITE PILES

In general, a composite pile is made up of two or more sections of different materials or different pile types. Depending upon the soil conditions, various composite sections may be used. The upper pile section is often precast concrete, steel pipe, or corrugated shell. The lower pile section may consist of steel H, steel pipe, or timber pile. Composite piles have limited application and are generally used only under special conditions.

## 8.7.1 Precast Concrete - Steel Piles

One of the more commonly used composite piles consists of a lower section of steel H, or pipe pile embedded in an upper pile section of precast concrete. These composite sections are often used when uplift requirements dictate penetration depths that a displacement pile cannot achieve, or in waterfront construction where surficial soil layers have high corrosion potential.

### 8.7.2 Wood Composite Piles

Timber-steel or timber-concrete composite sections are sometimes used as foundation piles. It is common to have a timber section below the groundwater level with either a concrete or corrosion protected steel upper section. In the case of the composite timber-concrete pile, an untreated timber pile is first driven below the permanent ground water level, then a corrugated steel shell is connected to the pile head of the timber section with a wedge ring driven into the wood. After driving, the shell is filled with concrete to the cutoff elevation and the pile is complete.

# 8.7.3 Pipe - Corrugated Shell Piles

This composite pile consists of a pipe pile for the lower section and a corrugated shell for the upper portion of the pile. A variety of pipe and shell diameters can be used to accommodate a range of loading conditions. The pipe-shell pile is mandrel driven. The mandrel provides a guide for alignment of the two pile sections provided it extends to the pipe pile head or partially into the pipe pile. Possible pile joints include; a sleeve joint, a welded joint, and a drive-sleeve joint. Once the pipe and shell are driven and connected, they are filled with concrete to cutoff grade and any excess shell is removed.

### 8.7.4 Composite Tapered Precast Tip - (TPT)

The most common form of this composite pile consists of a round, tapered, precast concrete tip, attached at the bottom of a pile shaft. The pile shaft may consist of pipe pile or thin corrugated shell. The precast tip is driven to its designed depth with a mandrel, then the pile shaft is socketed into the precast tip and filled with concrete. Enlarged tip piles can be particularly effective if downdrag forces are present. In addition to the reduced shaft resistance created by driving the enlarged tip, the shaft can be coated or wrapped with a material to further resist downdrag. The enlarged tip provides significant toe bearing capacity.

#### 8.7.5 Polymer Composite Piles

The newest type of composite piles are polymer composite piles. These piles are generally tubular sections made from fiber reinforced polymers. Depending upon the manufacturer and intended application, the piles may be driven open ended and left unfilled, driven closed ended and filled with concrete after driving or driven as a composite fiber reinforced polymer tube with a precast concrete core. A steel core has also been used in some composite sections.

Polymer composite piles are resistant to attack from marine borers and are not subject to corrosion. In addition, many of the polymer composite piles have good energy absorption characteristics making them attractive as fender piling. The Federal Highway Administration and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Construction Engineering Research Laboratory have on-going research programs that are expected to result in material standards, specifications, and design guidance for these piling systems.

#### 8.8 DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS IN AGGRESSIVE SUBSURFACE ENVIRONMENTS

In every design, consideration should be given to the possible deterioration of the pile over its design life due to the surrounding environment. This section will address design considerations in aggressive subsurface environments where corrosion, chemical attack, abrasion, and other factors can adversely effect pile durability after installation. An assessment of the in-situ soil conditions, fill materials, and groundwater properties is necessary to completely categorize an aggressive subsurface condition. An aggressive environment can generally be identified by soil resistivity and pH tests. If either the pH or soil resistivity tests indicate the subsurface conditions are aggressive, then the pile selection and foundation design should be based on an aggressive subsurface environment. The design of pile foundations in an aggressive environment is a developing field. Therefore, a corrosion/degradation specialist should be retained for major projects with pile foundations in aggressive environments.

Whenever the pH value is 4.5 or less, the foundation design should be based on an aggressive subsurface environment. Alternatively, if the resistivity is less than 2000 ohms-cm the site should also be treated as aggressive. When the soil resistivity test results are between 2000 and 5000 ohms-cm then chloride ion content and sulfate ion content tests should be performed. If these test results indicate a chloride ion content greater than 100 parts per million (ppm) or a sulfate ion content greater than 200 ppm, then the foundation design should be based on an aggressive subsurface environment. Resistivity values greater than 5000 ohms-cm are considered non-aggressive environments are described in Chapter 6.

Contaminated soil and groundwater can cause significant damage to foundation piles in direct contact with the aggressive chemicals. Acidic groundwater is common at sites with either organic soils or industrial contamination. The subsurface exploration program should indicate if the soil or groundwater is contaminated. If industrial contamination is found, the maximum likely concentrations should be determined as well 'as an estimate of the lateral and vertical extent of the contamination.

### 8.8.1 Corrosion of Steel Piles

Steel piles driven through contaminated soil and groundwater conditions may be subject to high corrosion rates and should be designed appropriately. Corrosion of steel or steel reinforced piles may also occur if piles are driven into disturbed ground or fill, if piles are located in a marine environment, or if piles are subject to alternate wetting and drying from tidal action. Corrosion rates are a function of the ambient temperature, pH, access to oxygen, and chemistry of the aqueous environment surrounding the steel member.

For steel piles buried in fill or disturbed natural soils, a conservative estimate of the corrosion rate is 0.08 mm per year. Morley (1979) reported corrosion rates of 0.05 mm

per year for steel piles immersed in fresh water, except at the waterline in canals where the rate was as high as 0.34 mm per year. The high rate at the water line was attributed to debris abrasion and/or cell action between other parts of the structure.

For steel piles in marine environments (salt water), separate zones, each with a different corrosion rate, are present along the length of the pile. Tomlinson (1994) identifies these zones as follows:

- 1. Atmospheric zone: exposed to the damp atmospheric conditions above the highest water level but subject to airborne spray.
- 2. Splash zone: above the mean high tide, but exposed to waves, spray, and wash from passing ships.
- 3. Intertidal zone: between mean high and low tides.
- 4. Continuous immersion zone: below lowest low tide.
- 5. Underground zone: below the mudline.

Figure 8.5, after Morley and Bruce (1983), summarizes average and maximum probable marine corrosion rates in these zones as well as in the low water zone.

In corrosive environments, the designer should apply one of the design options for piles in corrosive environments discussed in Section 8.8.4. NCHRP Report 408, by Beavers and Durr (1998) provides a synthesis on the current state of practice in evaluating the predicted corrosion of steel piles in nonmarine applications. It addition, AASHTO provisional standard PP36-97 contains a recommended practice. A followup NCHRP research study on the corrosion of piles is in progress.

### 8.8.2 Sulfate and Chloride Attack on Concrete Piles

Attack on precast and cast in place concrete occurs in soils with high sulfate or chloride concentrations. Factors influencing the rate of attack of sulfates or chlorides on concrete piles include the pH of the soil, the solubility of the sulfate or chloride, the movement of the groundwater relative to the piles, and the density of the pile concrete.



The reaction between concrete and sulfate begins with sulfate ions in solution. Once the sulfate ions in the groundwater come in contact with portland cement, an expansive chemical reaction takes place. Expansion of concrete often leads to cracking and spalling which can significantly reduce the available structural capacity of a pile foundation.

One method of reducing sulfate attack is to use a dense concrete which is less permeable to sulfate ions. Other possible deterrents include using sulfate-resisting cement, using cement with 25% pozzolanic material, or creating a physical barrier between the concrete and the groundwater with some sort of pile sleeve.

Chlorides are commonly found in soils, groundwater, or industrial wastes. Instead of attacking concrete, chlorides cause corrosion of reinforcement steel with consequential expansion and bursting of concrete as the products of steel corrosion are formed. Once corrosion begins, it continues at an accelerated rate. This can lead to a loss of bond between steel and concrete and extreme reduction of pile capacity. Protective measures which can reduce corrosion include increased concrete cover around the reinforcing steel, and the use of galvanized, or epoxy coated reinforcement.

# 8.8.3 Insects and Marine Borers Attack on Timber Piles

Timber piles are subject to insect attack on land by termites and beetles, or in water by marine borers. Incidences of marine borer attack on timber piles have reemerged in some areas as previously polluted water has improved. As mentioned in Section 8.2, arsenate and creosote pressure treatments are the most effective means of protecting timber piles from premature deterioration. In southern waters, creosote must be combined with other preservative treatments because of attack by limnoria tripundata. AWPA C3, Piles, Preservative Treatment by Pressure Process, contains penetration and retention values for the various preservatives. Environmental damage from pressure treatments must be a consideration when selecting protection methods.

When designing with timber piles, the wood species is usually not specified unless a specific species of wood is more suitable for design loads and/or environmental conditions. Certain species are not suitable for preservative treatment, while others may provide increased durability. As expected, ASTM standards for timber piles vary with geologic region, as land and fresh water piles have less stringent preservative treatment requirements than piles used in marine environments. Pile specifications are based on

the type of conditioning, heating temperature, duration of heating, and retention of preservative. For example, Southern Pine piles on land or in freshwater are required to have a creosote retention of 1.9 kg/m<sup>3</sup> as compared to the retention requirement of 3.1 kg/m<sup>3</sup> for use in marine environments.

If timber piles are installed in other aggressive environments such as environments containing chemical wastes, a timber pile specialist should be consulted in determining the appropriate preservative treatment.

# 8.8.4 Design Options for Piles \$ubject to Degradation or Abrasion

When a pile must be installed in an aggressive or abrasive environment, several design options can be considered. These design options include:

- a. Use of high-yield steel in a structure designed using mild steel stress limits permits greater loss of metal before stresses become critical.
- b. A heavier steel section than required can be used to provide extra thickness (H and pipe sections). This method is not effective in running water with active bedload to scour the corroded surface.
- c. Cathodic protection of steel piles in soil below the water table or in marine environments. Note that this method of protection tends to be a costly solution and requires periodic anode replacement.
- d. Concrete encasement of steel piles above the mud line. This method may alter the impact absorbing properties of the pile.
- e. Use of copper-bearing steel is effective against atmospheric corrosion but cost is greater than conventional steel.
- f. Sleeving or encapsulating of reinforced, cast in place piles through use of metal casings or polymer or fiberglass jackets isolates contaminants from concrete.
- g. Use of a low water/cement ratio, resistant aggregate, and minimum air content consistent with the environment to improve abrasion resistance of precast concrete piles

- h. Use of a protective metallic or epoxy paint (isocyanate-cured) or fusion bonded epoxy coating on exposed sections of the pile. This method has the same limitations as (b) in running water.
- i. Use of coal-tar epoxies for corrosion protection in marine environments.

Protective coatings cannot be replaced after a pile is driven. Therefore, if a protective coating is used, the coating should be designed to be durable enough to remain undamage during pile transportation, handling, and placement in the leads for driving as well as resistant to the abrasion resulting from pile driving. The designer should also note that the shaft resistance on a coated pile may be significantly different than on an uncoated pile, depending on the coating.

# 8.9 SELECTION OF PILE TYPE

The selection of appropriate pile types for any project involves the consideration of several design and installation factors including pile characteristics, subsurface conditions and performance criteria. Pile selection should be based on the factors listed in Tables 8-1, 8-2, and 8-3. Table 8-1 summarizes typical pile characteristics and uses. Table 8-2 provides pile type recommendations for various subsurface conditions. Table 8-3 presents the placement effects of pile shape characteristics.

In addition to the considerations provided in the tables, the problems posed by the specific project location and topography must be considered in any pile selection process. Following are some of the usually encountered problems:

- 1. Driven piles may cause vibration damage.
- 2. Remote areas may restrict driving equipment size and, therefore, pile size.
- 3. Local availability of certain materials and capability of contractors may have decisive effects on pile selection.
- 4. Waterborne operations may dictate use of shorter pile sections due to pile handling limitations.

5. Steep terrain may make the use of certain pile equipment costly or impossible.

Although one pile type may emerge as the only logical choice for a given set of conditions, more often several different types may meet all the requirements for a particular structure. In such cases, the final choice should be made on the basis of a cost analysis that assesses the over-all cost of alternatives. This would include uncertainties in execution, time delays, cost of load testing programs, as well as differences in the cost of pile caps and other elements of the structure that may differ among alternatives. For major projects, alternate foundation designs should be considered for inclusion in the contract documents if there is a potential for cost savings.

ABLE 8-2* PILE TYPE SELECTION BASED ON SUBSURFACE AND HYDRAULIC CONDITIONS					
TYPICAL PROBLEM	RECOMMENDATIONS				
Boulders overlying bearing stratum	Use heavy nondisplacement pile with a point and include contingent predrilling item in contract.				
Loose cohesionless soil	Use tapered pile to develop maximum skin friction				
Negative shaft resistance	Use smooth steel pile to minimize drag adhesion; avoid battered piles. Use bitumen coating or plastic wrap (if feasible) or increase design stress.				
Deep soft clay	Use rough concrete piles to increase adhesion ar rate of pore water dissipation.				
Artesian pressure	Caution required for using mandrel driven thin-wa shells, as generated hydrostatic pressure may cause shell collapse; pile heave common to closed-end pile.				
Scour	Do not use tapered piles unless a large part of the taper extends well below scour depth; design permanent pile capacity to mobilize soil resistance below scour depth.				
Coarse gravel deposits	Use prestressed concrete piles where hard drivin is expected. In coarse soils use of H-piles and open end pipe piles often results in excessive pil- lengths.				

\* Table modified and reproduced (Cheney and Chassie, 1993).

TABLE 8-3* PILE		TYPE SELECTION PILE SHAPE EFFECTS		
SHAPE CHARACTERISTICS	PILE TYPE		PLACEMENT EFFECT	
Displacement	Closed en	d steel pipe	Increase lateral ground stress.	
	Precast co	oncrete	Densifies cohesionless soils, remolds and weakens cohesive soils temporarily.	
			Setup time for large pile groups in sensitive clays may be up to six months.	
Nondisplacement	Steel H		Minimal disturbance to soil.	
	Open end	l steel pipe	Not suited for friction piles in coarse granular soils. Piles often have low driving resistances in these deposits making field capacity verification difficult thereby often resulting in excessive pile lengths.	
Tapered	Timber Monotube	98	Increased densification of soil, high capacity for short length in granular soils.	
	Thin-wall	shells		

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## 9. STATIC ANALYSIS METHODS

Static analysis methods can be categorized as analytical methods that use soil strength and compressibility properties to determine pile capacity and performance. This chapter will focus on analysis methods for determining compression, uplift, and lateral load capacity of single piles and pile groups. Important design considerations are as follows:

- 1. Static analysis methods are an integral part of the design process. Static analysis methods are necessary to determine the most cost effective pile type and to estimate the number of piles and the required pile lengths for the design of substructure elements. The foundation designer must have a knowledge of the design loads and the structure performance criteria in order to perform the appropriate static analyses.
- 2. Many static analysis methods are available. The methods presented in this chapter are relatively simple methods that have proven to provide reasonable agreement with full scale field results. Other more sophisticated analysis methods may be used and in some cases may provide better results.
- 3. Designers should fully understand the basis for, the limitations of, and the applicability of a chosen method. A selected method should also have a proven agreement with full scale field results.

Construction procedures can have a significant influence on the behavior of pile foundations. The methods described in this chapter lead to successful designs of deep foundations only if adequate construction techniques are used. Construction inspection should be an integral part of the design and construction of any foundation. Static load tests, wave equation analysis or dynamic monitoring for construction control should, whenever possible, be used to confirm the results of a static design method. These items are discussed in greater detail in subsequent chapters.

The first few sections of this chapter will briefly cover background information. Static analysis procedures for piles subject to compression, uplift and lateral loads will be covered, as well as pile group settlement. The influence of special design events on static design will be discussed. Limited guidance on design in liquefaction susceptible soils will be provided. However, seismic design is a special design event beyond the scope of this manual. Last, the chapter will address construction issues pertinent to static design.

#### 9.1 BASICS OF STATIC ANALYSIS

The static capacity of a pile can be defined as the sum of soil/rock resistances along the pile shaft and at the pile toe available to support the imposed loads on the pile. A static analysis is performed to determine the ultimate capacity of an individual pile and of a pile group as well as the deformation response of a pile group to the applied loads. The ultimate capacity of an individual pile and of a pile group is the smaller of: (1) the capacity of surrounding soil/rock medium to support the loads transferred from the pile(s) or, (2) the structural capacity of the pile(s). Static analysis calculations of the deformation response to lateral loads and of pile group settlement are compared to the performance criteria established for the structure. Details of static analysis procedures are presented later in this chapter. Chapter 11 provides a discussion of the allowable stresses in pile materials used for determining structural capacity of piles.

The static pile capacity from the sum of the soil/rock resistances along the pile shaft and at the pile toe can be estimated from geotechnical engineering analysis using:

- 1. Laboratory determined shear strength parameters of the soil and rock surrounding the pile.
- 2. Standard Penetration Test data.
- 3. In-situ test data (i.e., CPT/CPTU).

On many projects, two static analyses are required for a design. First, a static analysis is necessary to determine the number and length of piles necessary to support the structure loads. A second static analysis may be required to determine the total driving resistance the pile will encounter during installation. This second analysis enables the design engineer to determine the necessary capability of the driving equipment. Figures 9.1 and 9.2 illustrate two situations that require two static analyses.

Figure 9.1 shows a situation where piles are to be driven for a bridge pier. In this case, the first static analysis performed should neglect the soil resistance in the soil zone subject to scour, since this resistance may not be available for long term support. The number of piles and pile lengths determined from this analysis will then be representative of the long term conditions in the event of scour. At the time of pile driving however, the scour zone will provide resistance to pile penetration. Therefore, a second static analysis is required





to estimate the total resistance encountered by the pile during driving to the embedment depth determined in the first analysis. The second static analysis includes the soil resistance in the materials above the scour depth as well as the underlying strata.

Figure 9.2 shows another frequently encountered situation in which piles are driven through loose uncompacted fill material into the natural ground. The loose fill material offers unreliable resistance and is usually neglected in determining the number of piles and the pile lengths required. A second static analysis is then performed to determine total resistance encountered by the pile during driving, which includes the resistance in the fill material. In both examples, the soil resistance to be overcome during driving will be substantially greater than the required ultimate pile capacity.

The results of multiple static analyses should be considered in the development of project plans and specifications. For example, consider a case where scour, uplift loading, or some other special design event dictates that a greater pile penetration depth be achieved than that required for support of the axial compressive loads. The static analyses indicate that 2000 kN of soil resistance must be overcome to obtain the minimum penetration depth for a 1400 kN ultimate capacity pile. This information should be conveyed in the construction documents so that the driving equipment can be properly sized and so that the intent of the design is clearly and correctly interpreted by the contractor and construction personnel. Specifying only a 1400 kN ultimate capacity pile, without including a minimum penetration requirement and the soil resistance to be overcome, can lead to construction claims.

Prior to discussing static design methods for estimating pile capacity in detail, it is desirable to review events that occur in the pile-soil system during and after pile driving as well as basic load-transfer mechanisms.

### 9.2 EVENTS DURING AND AFTER PILE DRIVING

The soil in which a pile foundation is installed is almost always disturbed. Several factors influence the degree of disturbance. These include the soil type and density, the pile type (displacement, non-displacement), and the method of pile installation (driven, drilled, jetted). For driven piles, substantial soil disturbance and remolding is unavoidable.

#### 9.2.1 Cohesionless Soils

The capacity of piles driven into cohesionless soil depends primarily on the relative density of the soil. During driving, the relative density of loose to medium dense cohesionless soil is increased close to the pile due to vibrations and lateral displacement of soil. This effect is most pronounced in the immediate vicinity of displacement piles. Broms (1966) and more recent studies found the zone of densification extends as far as 3 to 5.5 diameters away from the pile shaft and 3 to 5 diameters below the pile toe as depicted in Figure 9.3.

The increase in relative density increases the capacity of single piles and pile groups. The pile type selection also affects the amount of change in relative density. Piles with large displacement characteristics such as closed-end pipe and precast concrete increase the relative density of cohesionless material more than low displacement open-end pipe or steel H-piles.

The increase in horizontal ground stress, which occurs adjacent to the pile during the driving process, can be lost by relaxation in dense sand and gravels. The relaxation phenomena occurs as the <u>negative</u> pore pressures generated during driving are dissipated. The negative pore pressures occur because of volume change and dilation of dense sand. The phenomena can be explained by considering the following effective stress shear strength equation.

$$\tau = c + (\sigma - u) \tan \phi$$

Where:  $\tau$  = Shear strength of soil.

c = Cohesion.

 $\sigma$  = Vertical (normal) pressure.

u = Pore water pressure.

 $\phi$  = Angle of internal friction.

Negative pore pressures temporarily increase the soil shear strength, and therefore pile capacity, by changing the ( $\sigma$  - u) tan  $\phi$  component of shear strength to ( $\sigma$  + u) tan  $\phi$ . As negative pore pressures dissipate, the shear strength and pile capacity decrease.

The pile driving process can also generate high positive pore water pressures in saturated cohesionless silts and loose to medium dense fine sands. Positive pore pressures temporarily reduce the soil shear strength and the pile capacity. This phenomena is



Figure 9.3 Compaction of Cohesionless Soils During Driving of Piles (Broms, 1966)



Figure 9.4 Disturbance of Cohesive Soils During Driving of Piles (Broms, 1966)

identical to the one described below for cohesive soils. The gain in capacity with time or soil set-up is generally quicker for sands and silts than for clays because the pore pressures dissipate more rapidly in cohesionless soils than in cohesive soils.

### 9.2.2 Cohesive Soils

When piles are driven into saturated cohesive materials, the soil near the piles is disturbed and radially compressed. For soft or is generally within one pile diameter clays, there are also significant changes in secondary soil structure (closing of fissures) with remolding and loss of previous stress 9.4 illustrates the disturbance zone for piles driven in cohesive soils as observed by Broms (1966). This figure also notes the ground heave that can accompany driving displacement piles in cohesive soils.

The disturbance and radial compression generate high pore pressures (positive pore pressures) which temporarily reduce soil shear strength, and therefore the load capacity of the pile. As reconsolidation of clay around the pile occurs, the high pore pressures are diminished, which leads to an increase in shear strength and pile capacity (setup). This phenomena is opposite to "relaxation" described for cohesionless soils. The zone and magnitude of soil disturbance are dependent on the soil properties of soil sensitivity, driving method, and the pile foundation geometry. Limited data available for partially saturated cohesive soils indicates that pile driving does not generate high pore pressures and hence significant soil setup does not occur.

# 9.3 LOAD TRANSFER

The ultimate bearing capacity,  $Q_u$ , of a pile in homogeneous soil may be expressed by the sum of the shaft resistance  $R_s$  and the resistance  $R_t$ , or

$$Q_{u} = R_{s} + R_{t}$$

This may also be expressed in the form

$$\mathbf{Q}_{\mathsf{u}} = \mathsf{f}_{\mathsf{s}} \, \mathsf{A}_{\mathsf{s}} + \mathsf{q}_{\mathsf{t}} \, \mathsf{A}_{\mathsf{t}}$$

where  $f_s$  is the unit shaft resistance over the shaft surface area,  $A_s$ , and  $q_t$  is the unit toe resistance over the pile toe area,  $A_t$ . The above equations for pile bearing capacity assume that both the pile toe and the pile shaft have moved sufficiently with respect to the adjacent soil to simultaneously develop the ultimate shaft and toe resistances. Generally, the displacement needed to mobilize the shaft resistance is smaller than that required to mobilize the toe resistance. This simple rational approach has been commonly used for all piles except very large diameter piles.

Figure 9.5 illustrates typical load transfer profiles for a single pile. The load transfer distribution can be obtained from a static load test where strain gages or telltale rods are attached to a pile at different depths along the pile shaft. Figure 9.5 shows the measured axial load,  $Q_u$ , in the pile plotted against depth. The shaft resistance transferred to the soil is represented by  $R_s$ , and  $R_t$  represents the resistance at the pile toe. In Figure 9.5(a), the load transfer distribution for a pile with no shaft resistance is illustrated. In this case the full axial load at the pile head is transferred to the pile toe. In Figure 9.5(b), the axial load versus depth for a uniform shaft resistance distribution typical of a cohesive soil is illustrated. Figure 9.5(c) presents the axial load in the pile versus depth for a triangular shaft resistance distribution typical of cohesionless soils.



# 9.4 EFFECTIVE OVERBURDEN PRESSURE

The effective overburden pressure at a given depth below ground surface is the vertical stress at that depth due to the weight of the overlying soils. A plot of effective overburden pressure versus depth is called a "p<sub>o</sub> Diagram" and is used in many static pile capacity and settlement calculations. Therefore, an understanding of how to construct and use a p<sub>o</sub> Diagram is important.

Information needed to construct a  $p_o$  Diagram includes the total unit weight and thickness of each soil layer as well as the depth of the water table. The soil layer thickness and depth of the water table should be available from the project boring logs. The total unit weight of each soil layer may be obtained from density tests on undisturbed cohesive samples or estimated from Standard Penetration Test (SPT) N values in conjunction with the soil visual classification.

The first step in constructing a  $p_o$  Diagram is to calculate the total overburden pressure,  $p_t$ , versus depth. This is done by summing the product of the total unit weight times the layer thickness versus depth. Similarly, the pore water pressure, u, is summed versus depth by multiplying the unit weight of water,  $\gamma_w$ , of 9.8 kN/m<sup>3</sup>, times the water height. The effective overburden pressure,  $p_o$ , at any depth is then the total overburden pressure minus the pore water pressure at that depth.

The effective overburden pressure at any depth is determined by summing the weights of all layers above that depth as follows:

1. For soil deposits <u>above</u> the static water table:

 $p_o = (total soil unit weight, \gamma)(thickness of soil layer above the desired depth).$ 

2. For soil deposits <u>below</u> the static water table:

 $p_o = (\text{total soil unit weight}, \gamma)(\text{depth}) - (\text{unit weight of water}, \gamma_w)(\text{height of water}).$ 

This may also be expressed as the buoyant or effective unit weight,  $\gamma'$ , ( $\gamma' = \gamma - \gamma_w$ ):  $p_o = (buoyant unit weight, \gamma')$  (depth).

Figures 9.6 and 9.7 present examples of  $p_o$  diagrams for cases where the water table is above and below the ground surface level.



Figure 9.6 Effective Overburden Pressure Diagram - Water Table Below Ground Surface





## 9.5 CONSIDERATIONS IN SELECTION OF DESIGN SOIL STRENGTH PARAMETERS

Most of the static analysis methods in cohesionless soils directly or indirectly utilize the soil friction angle,  $\phi$ , in calculation of pile capacity. The soil friction angle may be determined from laboratory tests as described in Chapter 6, or may be estimated using corrected Standard Penetration Test (SPT) N values and the empirical values in Table 4-5. The designer should be aware of the many factors that can influence SPT N values discussed in Section 4.4.1 of Chapter 4 when selecting a design friction angle based on SPT values.

In coarse granular deposits, the selection of the design friction angle should be done conservatively. A comparison of ultimate pile capacities from static load test results with static analysis predictions indicates that static analyses often overpredict the shaft resistance in these deposits. This is particularly true for coarse granular deposits comprised of uniform sized or rounded particles. Cheney and Chassie (1993) recommend limiting the shearing resistance by neglecting particle interlock forces. For shaft resistance calculations in gravel deposits, this results in a maximum  $\phi$  angle of 32° for gravels comprised of soft rounded particles, and in a maximum  $\phi$  angle of 36° for hard angular gravel deposits. The  $\phi$  angle used to calculate the toe resistance is determined using normal procedures.

Static analysis methods used for design of pile foundations in cohesive soils require accurate assessment of the soil shear strength and consolidation properties. This information should be obtained from laboratory tests on undisturbed samples as described in Chapter 6 and/or from in-situ testing as described in Chapter 5. Designs based solely on strength and compressibility information estimated from SPT N values from disturbed soil samples should be avoided.

The capacity of a pile when driven in many soil formations is not the same as the long term pile capacity. This is due to the soil disturbance created during installation as described in Section 9.2 of this chapter. For design in cohesive soils, the sensitivity of the cohesive soils should be determined as discussed in Section 6.2 of Chapter 6. Knowledge of the soil sensitivity allows a more accurate static analysis of the driving resistance in cohesive soils. Increases and decreases on pile capacity with time are known as soil setup and relaxation, respectively. These time effects are discussed in greater detail in Section 9.10.1.

For a cost effective foundation design with any static analysis method, it is of paramount importance that the foundation designer logically select the soil strength parameters and include consideration of time dependent soil strength changes.

### 9.6 FACTORS OF SAFETY

Static analysis results yield an ultimate pile capacity or soil resistance. The allowable pile soil resistance (design load) is selected by dividing the ultimate pile capacity in suitable soil support layers by a factor of safety. In static analysis methods, the design load for a given pile length has typically been calculated by dividing the ultimate capacity in suitable soil support layers by a factor of safety ranging from 2 to 4. The range in the factor of safety has primarily depended upon the reliability of the particular static analysis method with consideration of the following items.

- 1. The level of confidence in the input parameters. (This is a function of the type and extent of the subsurface exploration and laboratory testing of soil and rock materials.)
- 2. Variability of the soil and rock.
- 3. Method of static analysis.
- 4. Effects of and consistency of the proposed pile installation method.
- 5. Level of construction monitoring (static load test, dynamic analysis, wave equation analysis, Gates dynamic formula).

A large number of static analysis methods are documented in the literature with specific recommendations on the factor of safety to be used with each method. These recommended factors of safety have routinely disregarded the influence of the construction control method used to complement the static analysis computation. As part of the overall design process, it is important that the foundation designer qualitatively assess the validity of the chosen design analysis method and the reliability of the geotechnical design parameters. These issues have been quantified using Load Resistance Factor Design methods in NCHRP Report 343 by Barker *et al.* (1991). However, their effects are only qualitatively addressed in this manual.

While the range in static analysis factors of safety was from 2 to 4, most of the static analysis methods recommended a factor of safety of 3. As foundation design loads have increased over time, the use of high factors of safety has often resulted in pile installation problems. In addition, experience has shown that construction control methods have a significant influence on pile capacity. Therefore, the factor of safety used in a static analysis

calculation should be based upon the construction control method specified. Provided that the procedures recommended in this manual are used for the subsurface exploration and analysis, the following factors of safety are recommended, based on the specified construction control method. These factors of safety are discussed in greater detail in Chapter 12.

Construction Control Method	Factor of Safety
Static load test with wave equati	on analysis 2.00
Dynamic testing with wave equa	tion analysis 2.25
Indicator piles with wave equation	n analysis 2.50
Wave equation analysis	2.75
Gates dynamic formula	3.50

The pile design load should be supported by soil resistance developed only in soil layers that contribute to long term load support. The soil resistance from soils subject to scour, or from soil layers above soft compressible soils should not be considered. An example problem will be used to clarify the use of the factor of safety in static pile capacity calculations for determination of the pile design load as well as for determination of the soil resistance to pile driving.

Consider a pile to be driven through the soil profile described in Figure 9.8. The proposed pile type penetrates through a sand layer subject to scour in the 100 year flood overlying a very soft clay layer unsuitable for long term support and into competent support materials. Hence the soil resistances from the scour susceptible and soft clay layers do not contribute to long term load support and should not be included in the soil resistance for support of the design load. In this example, static load testing with wave equation analysis will be used for construction control. Therefore a factor of safety of 2.0 should be applied to the soil resistance calculated in suitable support layers in the static analysis. It should be noted that this approach is for scour conditions under the 100 year or overtopping flood events and that a different approach would apply for the superflood or 500 year event. Additional discussion on scour considerations is provided in Section 9.9.4 of this chapter.

In the static analysis, a trial pile penetration depth is chosen and an ultimate pile capacity,  $Q_u$ , is calculated. This ultimate capacity includes the soil resistance calculated from all soil layers including the shaft resistance in the scour susceptible layer,  $R_{s1}$ , the shaft resistance



Figure 9.8 Soil Profile for Factor of Safety Discussion

in the unsuitable soft clay layer,  $R_{s2}$  as well as the resistance in suitable support materials along the pile shaft,  $R_{s3}$ , and at the pile toe resistance,  $R_{t}$ .

$$Q_u = R_{s1} + R_{s2} + R_{s3} + R_t$$

The design load,  $Q_a$ , is the sum of the soil resistances from the suitable support materials divided by a factor of safety, FS. As noted earlier, a factor of safety of 2.0 is used in the equation below because of the planned construction control with static load testing.

$$Q_a = (R_{s3} + R_t) / (FS=2)$$

The design load may also be expressed as the sum of the ultimate capacity minus the calculated soil resistances from the scour susceptible and unsuitable layers divided by the factor of safety.

$$Q_a = (Q_u - R_{s1} - R_{s2}) / (FS=2)$$

The result of the static analysis is then the estimated pile penetration depth, D, the design load for that penetration depth,  $Q_a$  and the calculated ultimate capacity,  $Q_u$ .

For preparation of construction plans and specifications, the calculated ultimate capacity,  $Q_u$ , is specified. Note that if the construction control method changes after the design stage, the required ultimate capacity and the required pile penetration depth for the ultimate capacity will also change. This is apparent when the previous equation for the design load is expressed in terms of the ultimate capacity as follows:

$$Q_u = |R_{s1} + R_{s2} + (Q_a)(FS=2)$$

A static analysis should also be used to calculate the soil resistance during driving, or driving resistance,  $Q_D$ , that must be overcome to reach the estimated pile penetration depth necessary to develop the ultimate capacity. This information is necessary for the designer to select a pile section with the driveability to overcome the anticipated soil resistance and for the contractor to properly size equipment. Driveability aspects of design are discussed in Section 9.10.7 of this chapter.

In the driving resistance static calculation, <u>a factor of safety is not used</u>. The driving resistance is the sum of the soil resistances from the scour susceptible and unsuitable layers plus the resistance in the suitable support materials to the estimated penetration depth.

$$Q_{D} = R_{s1} + R_{s2} + R_{s3} + R_{t}$$

Soil resistances in this calculation should be the resistance at the time of driving. Hence time dependent changes in soil strengths due to soil setup or relaxation should be considered. For the example presented in Figure 9.8, the driving resistance from the unsuitable clay layer would be reduced by the sensitivity of the clay. Therefore,  $R_{s2}$  would be  $R_{s2}$  / 2 for a clay with a sensitivity of 2. The static calculation of the driving resistance at depth D would then be as follows.

$$Q_{D} = R_{s1} + R_{s2}/2 + R_{s3} + R_{t}$$

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This example problem considers only the driving resistance at the final pile penetration depth. In cases where piles are driven through hard or dense layers above the estimated pile penetration depth, the driving resistance to penetrate these layers should also be calculated. Additional information on the calculation of time dependent soil strength changes is provided in Section 9.10.1 of this chapter.

# 9.7 DESIGN OF SINGLE PILES

# 9.7.1 Bearing Capacity of Single Piles

Numerous static analysis methods are available for calculating the bearing capacity of a single pile. The following sections of this chapter will detail analysis methods for piles in cohesionless, cohesive and layered soil profiles using readily available SPT or laboratory test information. Additional methods based on cone penetration test results are also presented.

# 9.7.1.1 Bearing Capacity of Piles in Cohesionless Soils

The ultimate bearing capacity of a single pile in a cohesionless soil is the sum of shaft and toe resistances ( $Q_u = R_s + R_t$ ). The calculation assumes that the shaft resistance and toe bearing resistance can be determined separately and that these two factors do not affect each other. Many analytical and empirical methods have been developed for estimating pile capacity in cohesionless materials. Table 9-1 describes some of the available methods. Each of the methods presented in Table 9-1 is also discussed in subsequent subsections.

## 9.7.1.1a Meyerhof Method Based on Standard Penetration Test (SPT) Data

Existing empirical correlations between Standard Penetration Test (SPT) results and static pile load tests can be used for preliminary estimates of static pile capacity for cohesionless soils. These correlations are based on the analyses of numerous pile load tests in a variety of cohesionless soil deposits. The Meyerhof (1976) method is quick and is easy to use. However, because the method is based on SPT test data which can be influenced by numerous factors, this method should only be used for preliminary estimates and not for final design.

TABLE 9-1 METHODS OF STATIC ANALYSIS FOR PILES IN COHESIONLESS SOILS							
Method	Approach	Method of Obtaining Design Parameters	Advantages	Disadvantages	Remarks		
Method based on Standard Penetration Test (SPT) data.	Empirical	Results of SPT tests.	Widespread use of SPT test and input data availability. Simple method to use.	Non reproducibility of N values. Not as reliable as the other methods presented in this chapter.	Due to non reproducibility of N values and simplifying assumptions contained in the method, use should be limited to preliminary estimating purposes.		
Nordlund Method.	Semi- empirical	Charts provided by Nordlund. Estimate of soil friction angle is needed.	Allows for increased shaft resistance of tapered piles and includes effects of pile-soil friction coefficient for different pile materials.	No limiting value on unit shaft resistance is recommended by Nordlund. Soil friction angle often estimated from SPT data.	Good approach to design that is widely used. Method is based on field observations. Details provided in Section 9.7.1.1b.		
Effective Stress Method.	Semi- empirical	Soil classification and estimated friction angle for $\beta$ and N <sub>t</sub> selection.	$\beta$ value considers pile-soil friction coefficient for different pile materials. Soil resistance related to effective overburden pressure.	Results effected by range in $\beta$ values and in particular by range in N <sub>t</sub> chosen.	Good approach for design. Details provided in Section 9.7.1.3.		
Methods based on Cone Penetration Test (CPT) data.	Empirical	Results of CPT tests.	Testing analogy between CPT and pile. Reliable correlations and reproducible test data.	Limitations on pushing cone into dense strata.	Good approach for design. Details provided in Section 9.7.1.7.		
Meyerhof (1976) reported that the average unit shaft resistance,  $f_s$ , of driven displacement piles, such as closed-end pipe piles and precast concrete piles, in kPa is:

$$f_s = 2\overline{N}' \le 100 \text{ kPa}$$

The average unit shaft resistance of driven nondisplacement piles, such as H-piles, in kPa is:

where  $\overline{N}$ ' is the average corrected SPT resistance value, in blows per 300 mm, along the embedded length of pile. Typically, the soil profile is delineated into 3 to 6 meter thick layers, and the average unit shaft resistance is calculated for each soil layer.

Meyerhof (1976) recommended that the unit toe resistance,  $q_t$ , in kPa for piles driven into sands and gravels may be approximated by:

$$q_{t} = 400\overline{N'}_{O} + \frac{(40\overline{N'}_{B} - 40\overline{N'}_{O})D_{B}}{b} \le 400\overline{N'}_{B}$$

Where:  $\overline{N}'_{O}$  = Average corrected SPT N' value for the stratum overlying the bearing stratum.

 $\overline{N'}_{B}$  = Average corrected SPT N' value of the bearing stratum.

 $D_{B}$  = Pile embedment depth into the bearing stratum in meters.

b = Pile diameter in meters.

The limiting value of  $400\overline{N'_B}$  is reached when the embedment depth into the bearing stratum reaches 10 pile diameters. The above equation applies when the pile toe is located near the interface of two strata with a weaker stratum overlying the bearing stratum. For piles driven in a uniform cohesionless stratum, the unit toe resistance can be calculated as follows:

$$q_t = \frac{40\overline{N'}_B D_B}{b} \le 400\overline{N'}_B$$

It is recommended that the average corrected SPT N' value,  $\overline{N'}_{B}$ , be calculated by averaging N' values within the zone extending 3 diameters below the pile toe. For piles driven into non-plastic silts, Meyerhof recommended the unit toe resistance, q<sub>t</sub>, be limited to  $300\overline{N'}_{B}$  instead of the  $400\overline{N'}_{B}$  given in the above equation.

#### STEP BY STEP PROCEDURE FOR USING METHOD BASED ON SPT DATA

STEP 1 Correct SPT field N values for overburden pressure.

Use correction factors from Figure 4.4 to obtain corrected SPT N' values.

STEP 2 Compute the average corrected SPT N' value,  $\overline{N}$ ', for each soil layer.

Along the embedded length of pile, delineate the soil profile into layers based on soil density indicated by N'. The individual soil layers should be selected between 3 and 6 meters thick.

STEP 3 Compute unit shaft resistance, f<sub>s</sub> (kPa) for driven, displacement piles from:

$$f_s = 2\overline{N}' \le 100 \text{ kPa}$$

for driven, non-displacement piles such as H-piles, use:

 $f_s = \overline{N}' \le 100 \text{ kPa}$ 

STEP 4 Compute ultimate shaft resistance, R<sub>s</sub> (kN).

$$R_s = f_s A_s$$

Where:  $A_s$  = Pile shaft surface area. = (Perimeter)(embedded length).

For H-piles in cohesionless soils, the "box" area should generally be used for shaft resistance calculations. Additional discussion on the behavior of open pile sections is presented in Section 9.10.5.

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STEP 5 Compute average corrected SPT N' values,  $\overline{N}'_{O}$  and  $\overline{N}'_{B}$ , near pile toe.

In cases where the pile toe is situated near the interface of a weaker stratum overlying the bearing stratum, compute the average corrected SPT N' value for the stratum overlying the bearing stratum,  $\overline{N'}_{O}$ , and the average corrected SPT N' value for N' value for the bearing stratum,  $\overline{N'}_{B}$ .

In uniform cohesionless soils, compute the average corrected SPT N' value by averaging N' values within the zone extending 3 diameters below the pile toe.

STEP 6 Compute unit toe resistance, q<sub>t</sub> (kPa).

For weaker stratum overlying the bearing stratum compute q<sub>t</sub> from:

$$q_{t} = 400\overline{N'}_{O} + \frac{(40\overline{N'}_{B} - 40\overline{N'}_{O})D_{B}}{b} \le 400\overline{N'}_{B}$$

For piles in a uniform cohesionless deposit compute q<sub>t</sub> from:

$$q_{t} = \frac{40\overline{N}'_{B}D_{B}}{b} \le 400\overline{N}'_{B}$$

For piles driven into non-plastic silts, the unit toe resistance,  $q_t$ , should be limited to  $300 \overline{N'}_B$  instead of  $400 \overline{N'}_B$ .

STEP 7 Compute ultimate toe resistance, R<sub>t</sub> (kN).

$$\mathsf{R}_{\mathsf{t}} = \mathsf{q}_{\mathsf{t}} \mathsf{A}_{\mathsf{t}}$$

Where:  $A_t = Pile$  toe area.

For steel H and unfilled open end pipe piles, use only steel cross section area at pile toe unless there is reasonable assurance and previous experience that a soil plug will form at the pile toe. Additional discussion on plug formation in open pile sections is presented in Section 9.10.5. The assumption of a soil plug would allow the use of a box area at H pile toe and total pipe cross section area for open end pipe pile.

STEP 8 Compute ultimate pile capacity, Q<sub>u</sub> (kN).

$$Q_u = R_s + R_t$$

STEP 9 Compute allowable design load, Q<sub>a</sub> (kN).

$$Q_a = \frac{Q_u}{Factor of Safety}$$

Use Factor of Safety based on the construction control method specified as described in Section 9.6.

In using the Meyerhof method, it should be remembered that it is intended to be used only for preliminary capacity and length estimates. Limiting values often apply for the unit shaft and toe resistances and they should be used. It should also be remembered that the Standard Penetration Test is subject to many errors. Thus, judgment must be exercised when performing capacity calculations based on SPT results.

### 9.7.1.1b Nordlund Method

The Nordlund Method (1963) is based on field observations and considers the shape of pile taper and its soil displacement in calculating the shaft resistance. The method also accounts for the differences in soil-pile coefficient of friction for different pile materials. The method is based on the results of several load test programs in cohesionless soils. Several pile types were used in these test programs including timber, H, closed end pipe, Monotubes and Raymond step taper piles. These piles, which were used to develop the method's design curves, had pile widths generally in the range of 250 to 500 mm. The Nordlund Method tends to overpredict pile capacity for piles with widths larger than 600 mm.

According to the Nordlund Method, the ultimate capacity,  $Q_u$ , of a pile in cohesionless soil is the sum of the shaft resistance,  $R_s$  and the toe resistance,  $R_t$ . Nordlund suggests the shaft resistance is a function of the following variables:

- 1. The friction angle of the soil.
- 2. The friction angle on the sliding surface.
- 3. The taper of the pile.
- 4. The effective unit weight of the soil.
- 5. The pile length.
- 6. The minimum pile perimeter.
- 7. The volume of soil displaced.

These factors are considered in the Nordlund equation as illustrated in Figure 9.9.

The Nordlund Method equation for computing the ultimate capacity of a pile is as follows:

$$Q_{u} = \sum_{d=0}^{d=D} K_{\delta} C_{F} p_{d} \frac{\sin (\delta + \omega)}{\cos \omega} C_{d} \Delta d + \alpha_{t} N'_{q} A_{t} p_{t}$$

Where: d

D = Embedded pile length.

= Depth.

 $K_{\delta}$  = Coefficient of lateral earth pressure at depth d.

 $C_{F}$  = Correction factor for  $K_{\delta}$  when  $\delta \neq \phi$ .

 $p_d$  = Effective overburden pressure at the center of depth increment d.

 $\delta$  = Friction angle between pile and soil.

 $\omega$  = Angle of pile taper from vertical.

 $\phi$  = Soil friction angle.

$$C_d$$
 = Pile perimeter at depth d.

- $\Delta d$  = Length of pile segment.
- $\alpha_t$  = Dimensionless factor (dependent on pile depth-width relationship).
- $N'_{q}$  = Bearing capacity factor.
- $A_t = Pile$  toe area.
- $p_t$  = Effective overburden pressure at the pile toe.

For a pile of uniform cross section ( $\omega = 0$ ) and embedded length D, driven in soil layers of the same effective unit weight and friction angle, the Nordlund equation becomes:

$$Q_u = (K_{\delta} C_F p_d \sin \delta C_d D) + (\alpha_t N'_q A_t p_t)$$



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The soil friction angle  $\phi$  influences most of the calculations in the Nordlund method. In the absence of laboratory test data,  $\phi$  can be estimated from corrected SPT N' values. Therefore, Figure 4.4 in Chapter 4 should be used for correcting field N values. The corrected SPT N' values may then be used in Table 4-5 of Chapter 4 to estimate  $\phi$ .

Nordlund developed this method in 1963 and updated it in 1979 and has not placed a limiting value on the shaft resistance. However, Nordlund has recommended that the effective overburden pressure,  $p_t$ , used for computing the pile toe resistance be limited to 150 kPa.

## STEP BY STEP PROCEDURE FOR USING NORDLUND METHOD

Steps 1 through 6 are for computing the shaft resistance and steps 7 through 9 are for computing the pile toe resistance.

- STEP 1 Delineate the soil profile into layers and determine the  $\phi$  angle for each layer.
  - a. Construct p<sub>o</sub> diagram using procedure described in Section 9.4.
  - b. Correct SPT field N values for overburden pressure using Figure 4.4 from Chapter 4 and obtain corrected SPT N' values. Delineate soil profile into layers based on corrected SPT N' values.
  - c. Determine  $\phi$  angle for each layer from laboratory tests or in-situ data.
  - d. In the absence of laboratory or in-situ test data, determine the average corrected SPT N' value,  $\overline{N}$ ', for each soil layer and estimate  $\phi$  angle from Table 4-5 in Chapter 4.
- STEP 2 Determine  $\delta$ , the friction angle between pile and soil based on displaced soil volume, V, and the soil friction angle,  $\phi$ .
  - a. Compute volume of soil displaced per unit length of pile, V.
  - b. Enter Figure 9.10 with V and determine  $\delta/\phi$  ratio for pile type.
  - c. Calculate  $\delta$  from  $\delta/\phi$  ratio.

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- STEP 3 Determine the coefficient of lateral earth pressure,  $K_{\delta}$ , for each  $\phi$  angle.
  - a. Determine  $K_{\delta}$  for  $\phi$  angle based on displaced volume, V, and pile taper angle,  $\omega$ , using either Figure 9.11, 9.12, 9.13, or 9.14 and the appropriate procedure described in Step 3b, 3c, 3d, or 3e.
  - b. If the displaced volume is 0.0093, 0.093, or 0.930 m<sup>3</sup>/m which correspond to one of the curves provided in Figures 9.11 through 9.14 and the  $\phi$  angle is one of those provided, K<sub> $\delta$ </sub> can be determined directly from the appropriate figure.
  - c. If the displaced volume is 0.0093, 0.093, or 0.930 m<sup>3</sup>/m which correspond to one of the curves provided in Figures 9.11 through 9.14 but the  $\phi$  angle is different from those provided, use linear interpolation to determine K<sub> $\delta$ </sub> for the required  $\phi$  angle. Tables 9-2a and 9-2b also provide interpolated K<sub> $\delta$ </sub> values at selected displaced volumes versus  $\phi$  angle for uniform piles ( $\omega = 0^{\circ}$ ).
  - d. If the displaced volume is other than 0.0093, 0.093, or 0.930 m<sup>3</sup>/m which correspond to one of the curves provided in Figures 9.11 through 9.14 but the  $\phi$  angle corresponds to one of those provided, use log linear interpolation to determine K<sub> $\delta$ </sub> for the required displaced volume. An example of this procedure may be found in Appendix F.2.1.2. Tables 9-2a and 9-2b also provide interpolated K<sub> $\delta$ </sub> values at selected displaced volumes versus  $\phi$  angle for uniform piles ( $\omega = 0^{\circ}$ ).
  - e. If the displaced volume is other than 0.0093, 0.093, or 0.930 m<sup>3</sup>/m which correspond to one of the curves provided in Figures 9.11 through 9.14 and the  $\phi$  angle does not correspond to one of those provided, first use linear interpolation to determine K<sub> $\delta$ </sub> for the required  $\phi$  angle at the displaced volume curves provided for 0.0093, 0.093, or 0.930 m<sup>3</sup>/m. Then use log linear interpolation to determine K<sub> $\delta$ </sub> for the required displaced volume. An example of this procedure may be found in Appendix F.2.1.2. Tables 9-2a and 9-2b also provide interpolated K<sub> $\delta$ </sub> values at selected displaced volumes versus  $\phi$  angle for uniform piles ( $\omega = 0^{\circ}$ ).

STEP 4 Determine the correction factor,  $C_F$ , to be applied to  $K_{\delta}$  if  $\delta \neq \phi$ .

Use Figure 9.15 to determine the correction factor for each  $K_{\delta}$ . Enter figure with  $\phi$  angle and  $\delta/\phi$  value to determine  $C_{F}$ .

STEP 5 Compute the average effective overburden pressure at the midpoint of each soil layer, p<sub>d</sub> (kPa).

Note: A limiting value is not applied to p<sub>d</sub>.

STEP 6 Compute the shaft resistance in each soil layer. Sum the shaft resistance from each soil layer to obtain the ultimate shaft resistance, R<sub>s</sub> (kN).

 $R_s = K_{\delta} C_F p_d \sin \delta C_d D$ (for uniform pile cross section)

For H-piles in cohesionless soils, the "box" area should generally be used for shaft resistance calculations. Additional discussion on the behavior of open pile sections is presented in Section 9.10.5.

- STEP 7 Determine the  $\alpha_t$  coefficient and the bearing capacity factor, N'<sub>q</sub>, from the  $\phi$  angle near the pile toe.
  - a. Enter Figure 9.16(a) with  $\phi$  angle near pile toe to determine  $\alpha_t$  coefficient based on pile length to diameter ratio.
  - b. Enter Figure 9.16(b) with  $\phi$  angle near pile toe to determine, N'<sub>a</sub>.
  - c. If  $\phi$  angle is estimated from SPT data, compute the average corrected SPT N' value over the zone from the pile toe to 3 diameters below the pile toe. Use this average corrected SPT N' value to estimate  $\phi$  angle near pile toe from Table 4-5.
- STEP 8 Compute the effective overburden pressure at the pile toe, p<sub>t</sub> (kPa).

**Note:** The limiting value of  $p_t$  is 150 kPa.

STEP 9 Compute the ultimate toe resistance, R<sub>t</sub> (kN).

a. 
$$R_t = \alpha_t N'_q A_t p_t$$

b. limiting  $R_t = q_L A_t$ 

q<sub>L</sub> value is obtained from:

- 1. Entering Figure 9.17 with  $\phi$  angle near pile toe determined from laboratory or in-situ test data.
- 2. Entering Figure 9.17 with  $\phi$  angle near the pile toe estimated from Table 4-5 and the average corrected SPT N' near toe as described in Step 7.

c. Use lesser of the two  $R_t$  values obtained in steps a and b.

For steel H and unfilled open end pipe piles, use only steel cross section area at pile toe unless there is reasonable assurance and previous experience that a soil plug will form at the pile toe. Additional discussion on plug formation in open pile sections is presented in Section 9.10.5. The assumption of a soil plug would allow the use of a box area at H pile toe and total pipe cross section area for open end pipe pile.

STEP 10 Compute the ultimate pile capacity, Q<sub>u</sub> (kN).

$$Q_{u} = R_{s} + R_{t}$$

STEP 11 Compute the allowable design load, Q<sub>a</sub> (kN).

$$Q_a = \frac{Q_u}{Factor of Safety}$$

The factor of safety used in the calculation should be based upon the construction control method to be specified. Recommended factors of safety were described in Section 9.6.



Nordlund, 1979)







Figure 9.12 Design Curve for Evaluating  $K_{\delta}$  for Piles when  $\phi = 30^{\circ}$  (after Nordlund, 1979)



Figure 9.13 Design Curve for Evaluating K<sub> $\delta$ </sub> for Piles when  $\phi = 35^{\circ}$  (after Nordlund, 1979)



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Table 9-2(a) Design Table for E 0.0930 m <sup>3</sup> /m			or E	valuating K <sub><math>\delta</math></sub> for Piles when $\omega$ = 0° and V = 0.0093 to							
φ	Displaced Volume (V), m³/m										
	0.0093	0.0186	0.0279	0.0	)372	0.0465	0.0558	0.0651	0.0744	0.0837	0.0930
25	0.70	0.75	0.77	0	.79	0.80	0.82	0.83	0.84	0.84	0.85
26	0.73	0.78	0.82	0	.84	0.86	0.87	0.88	0.89	0.90	0.91
27	0.76	0.82	0.86	0	.89	0.91	0.92	0.94	0.95	0.96	0.97
28	0.79	0.86	0.90	0	.93	0.96	0.98	0.99	1.01	1.02	1.03
29	0.82	0.90	0.95	0	.98	1.01	1.03	1.05	1.06	1.08	1.09
30	0.85	0.94	0.99	1	.03	1.06	1.08	1.10	1.12	1.14	1.15
31	0.91	1.02	1.08	1	.13	1.16	1.19	1.21	1.24	1.25	1.27
32	0.97	1.10	1.17	1	.22	1.26	1.30	1.32	1.35	1.37	1.39
33	1.03	1.17	1.26	1	.32	1.37	1.40	1.44	1.46	1.49	1.51
34	1.09	1.25	1.35	1	.42	1.47	1.51	1.55	1.58	1.61	1.63
35	1.15	1.33	1.44	1	.51	1.57	1.62	1.66	1.69	1.72	1.75
36	1.26	1.48	1.61	1	.71	1.78	1.84	1.89	1.93	1.97	2.00
37	1.37	1.63	1.79	1	.90	1.99	2.05	2.11	2.16	2.21	2.25
38	1.48	1.79	1.97	2	2.09	2.19	2.27	2.34	2.40	2.45	2.50
39	1.59	1.94	2.14	2	2.29	2.40	2.49	2.57	2.64	2.70	2.75
40	1.70	2.09	2.32	2	2.48	2.61	2.71	2.80	2.87	2.94	3.00

Table 9-2(b) Design Table for Evaluating $K_{\delta}$ for Piles when $\omega = 0^{\circ}$ and V = 0.093 to 0.930 m <sup>3</sup> /m										
φ	Displaced Volume (V), m <sup>3</sup> /m									
	0.093	0.186	0.279	0.372	0.465	0.558	0.651	0.744	0.837	0.930
25	0.85	0.90	0.92	0.94	0.95	0.97	0.98	0.99	0.99	1.00
26	0.91	0.96	1.00	1.02	1.04	1.05	1.06	1.07	1.08	1.09
27	0.97	1.03	1.07	1.10	1.12	1.13	1.15	1.16	1.17	1.18
28	1.03	1.10	1.14	1.17	1.20	1.22	1.23	1.25	1.26	1.27
29	1.09	1.17	1.22	1.25	1.28	1.30	1.32	1.33	1.35	1.36
30	1.15	1.24	1.29	1.33	1.36	1.38	1.40	1.42	1.44	1.45
31	1.27	1.38	1.44	1.49	1.52	1.55	1.57	1.60	1.61	1.63
32	1.39	1.52	1.59	1.64	1.68	1.72	1.74	1.77	1.79	1.81
33	1.51	1.65	1.74	1.80	1.85	1.88	1.92	1.94	1.97	1.99
34	1.63	1.79	1.89	1.96	2.01	2.05	2.09	2.12	2.15	2.17
35	1.75	1.93	2.04	2.11	2.17	2.22	2.26	2.29	2.32	2.35
36	2.00	2.22	2.35	2.45	2.52	2.58	2.63	2.67	2.71	2.74
37	2.25	2.51	2.67	2.78	2.87	2.93	2.99	3.04	3.09	3.13
38	2.50	2.81	2.99	3.11	3.21	3.29	3.36	3.42	3.47	3.52
39	2.75	3.10	3.30	3.45	3.56	3.65	3.73	3.80	3.86	3.91
40	3.00	3.39	3.62	3.78	3.91	4.01	4.10	4.17	4.24	4.30





Figure 9.16 Chart for Estimating α<sub>t</sub> Coefficient and Bearing Capacity Factor N'<sub>q</sub> (Chart modified from Bowles, 1977)



for Cohesionless Soils (after Meyerhof, 1976)

# 9.7.1.2 Bearing Capacity of Piles in Cohesive Soils

The ultimate bearing capacity of a pile in cohesive soil may also be expressed as the sum of the shaft and toe resistances or  $Q_u = R_s + R_t$ . The shaft and toe resistances can be calculated from static analysis methods using soil boring and laboratory test data in either total stress or effective stress methods. The  $\alpha$ -Method is a total stress method that uses undrained soil shear strength parameters for calculating static pile capacity in cohesive soil. The  $\alpha$ -Method will be presented in Section 9.7.1.2a. The effective stress method uses drained soil strength parameters for capacity calculations. Since the effective stress method may be used for calculating static pile capacity in cohesive as well as cohesionless soils, this method will be presented in Section 9.7.1.3. Alternatively, in-situ CPT test results can also be used to calculate pile capacity in cohesive soils from cone sleeve friction and cone tip resistance values. CPT based methods are discussed in Section 9.7.1.7. An overview of design methods for cohesive soils is presented in Table 9-3.

The shaft resistance of piles driven into cohesive soils is frequently as much as 80 to 90% of the total bearing capacity. Therefore, it is important that the shaft resistance of piles in cohesive soils be estimated as accurately as possible.

# 9.7.1.2a Total Stress - *α*-Method

For piles in clay, a total stress analysis is often used where ultimate capacity is calculated from the undrained shear strength of the soil. This approach assumes that the shaft resistance is independent of the effective overburden pressure and that the unit shaft resistance can be expressed in terms of an empirical adhesion factor times the undrained shear strength.

The unit shaft resistance,  $f_s$ , is equal to the adhesion,  $c_a$ , which is the shear stress between the pile and soil at failure. This may be expressed in equation form as:

$$f_s = c_a = \alpha c_u$$

in which  $\alpha$  is an empirical adhesion factor for reduction of the average undrained shear strength,  $c_u$ , of undisturbed clay along the embedded length of the pile. The coefficient  $\alpha$  depends on the nature and strength of the clay, pile dimension, method of pile installation, and time effects. The values of  $\alpha$  vary within wide limits and decrease rapidly with increasing shear strength.

TABLE 9-3 METHODS OF STATIC ANALYSIS FOR PILES IN COHESIVE SOILS						
Method	Approach	Method of Obtaining Design Parameters	Advantages	Disadvantages	Remarks	
α-Method (Tomlinson Method).	Empirical, total stress analysis.	Undrained shear strength estimate of soil is needed. Adhesion calculated from Figures 9.18 and 9.19.	Simple calculation from laboratory undrained shear strength values to adhesion.	Wide scatter in adhesion versus undrained shear strengths in literature.	Widely used method described in Section 9.7.1.2a.	
Effective Stress Method.	Semi- Empirical, based on effective stress at failure.	$\beta$ and N <sub>t</sub> values are selected from Table 9-4 based on drained soil strength estimates.	Ranges in $\beta$ and N <sub>t</sub> values for most cohesive soils are relatively small.	Range in N <sub>t</sub> values for hard cohesive soils such as glacial tills can be large.	Good design approach theoretically better than undrained analysis. Details in Section 9.7.1.3.	
Methods based on Cone Penetration Test data.	Empirical.	Results of CPT tests.	Testing analogy between CPT and pile. Reproducible test data.	Cone can be difficult to advance in very hard cohesive soils such as glacial tills.	Good approach for design. Details in Section 9.7.1.7.	

It is recommended that Figure 9.18 generally be used for adhesion calculations, unless one of the special soil stratigraphy cases identified in Figure 9.19 is present at a site. In cases where either Figures 9.18 or 9.19 could be used, the inexperienced user should select and use the smaller value obtained from either figure. All users should confirm the applicability of a selected design chart in a given soil condition with local correlations between static capacity calculations and static load tests results.

In Figure 9.18, the adhesion,  $c_a$ , is expressed as a function of the undrained shear strength,  $c_u$ , with consideration of both the pile type and the embedded pile length, D, to pile diameter, b, ratio. The embedded pile length used in Figure 9.18 should be the minimum value of the length from the ground surface to the bottom of the clay layer, or the length from the ground surface to the pile toe.

Figure 9.19 presents the adhesion factor,  $\alpha$ , versus the undrained shear strength as a function of unique soil stratigraphy and pile embedment. The adhesion factor from these soil stratigraphy cases should be used only for determining the adhesion in a stiff clay layer in that specific condition. For a soil profile consisting of clay layers of significantly different consistencies such as soft clays over stiff clays, adhesion factors should be determined for each individual clay layer.

Figure 9.19(a) may be used to select the adhesion factor when piles are driven through a sand or sandy gravel layer and into an underlying stiff clay stratum. This case results in the highest adhesion factors as granular material is dragged into the underlying clays. The greater the pile penetration into the clay stratum, the less the influence of the overlying granular stratum on the adhesion factor. Therefore, for the same undrained shear strength, the adhesion factor decreases with increased pile penetration into the clay stratum.

Figure 9.19(b) should be used to select the adhesion factor when piles are driven through a soft clay layer overlying a stiff clay layer. In this case, the soft clay is dragged into the underlying stiff clay stratum thereby reducing the adhesion factor of the underlying stiff clay soils. The greater the pile penetration into the underlying stiff clay soils, the less the influence the overlying soft clays have on the stiff clay adhesion factor. Therefore, the stiff clay adhesion factor increases with increasing pile penetration into the stiff clay soils. Last, Figure 9.19(c) may be used to select the adhesion factor for piles driven in stiff clays without any different overlying strata. In stiff clays, a gap often forms between the pile and the soil along the upper portion of the pile shaft. In this case, the shallower the pile penetration into a stiff clay stratum the greater the effect of this gap on the shaft resistance that develops. Hence, the adhesion factor for a given shear strength is reduced at shallow pile penetration depths and increased at deeper pile penetration depths.

In the case of H piles in cohesive soils, the shaft resistance should not be calculated from the surface area of the pile, but rather from the "box" area of the four sides. The shaft resistance for H-piles in cohesive soils consists of the sum of the adhesion,  $c_a$ , times the flange surface area along the exterior of the two flanges, plus the undrained shear strength of the soil,  $c_u$ , times the area of the two remaining sides of the "box", due to soil-to-soil shear along these faces. This computation can be approximated by determining the adhesion using the appropriate corrugated pile curve in Figure 9.18 and multiplying the adhesion by the H-pile "box" area. Additional information on the behavior of open pile sections is presented in Section 9.10.5.

In clays with large shrink-swell potential, static capacity calculations should ignore the shaft resistance from the adhesion in the shrink-swell zone. During dry times, shrinkage will create a gap between the clay and the pile in this zone and therefore the shaft resistance should not be relied upon for long term support.

The unit toe resistance in a total stress analysis for homogeneous cohesive soil can be expressed as:

$$q_t = c_u N_c$$

The term  $N_c$  is a dimensionless bearing capacity factor which depends on the pile diameter and the depth of embedment. The bearing capacity factor,  $N_c$ , is usually taken as 9 for deep foundations.

It should be remembered that the movement required to mobilize the toe resistance is several times greater than that required to mobilize the shaft resistance. At the movement required to fully mobilize the toe resistance, the shaft resistance may have decreased to a residual value. Therefore, the toe resistance contribution to the ultimate pile capacity in cohesive soils is sometimes ignored except in hard cohesive deposits such as glacial tills.



Figure 9.18 Adhesion Values for Piles in Cohesive Soils (after Tomlinson, 1979)



Figure 9.19 Adhesion Factors for Driven Piles in Clay (after Tomlinson, 1980)

#### STEP BY STEP PROCEDURE FOR - "@-METHOD"

STEP 1 Delineate the soil profile into layers and determine the adhesion,  $c_a$ , from Figure 9.18 or adhesion factor,  $\alpha$ , from Figure 9.19 for each layer.

Enter appropriate figure with the undrained shear strength of the soil,  $c_u$ , and determine adhesion or adhesion factor based on the embedded pile length in clay, D, and pile diameter ratio, b. Use the curve for the appropriate soil and embedment condition.

STEP 2 For each soil layer, compute the unit shaft resistance, f<sub>s</sub> (kPa).

$$f_s = c_a = \alpha c_u$$

Where:  $c_a = Adhesion$ .

STEP 3 Compute the shaft resistance in each soil layer and the ultimate shaft resistance,  $R_s$  (kN), from the sum of the shaft resistance from each layer.

$$R_s = f_s A_s$$

Where:  $A_s$  = Pile-soil surface area from pile perimeter and length.

A discussion on the behavior of open pile sections in cohesive soils is presented in Section 9.10.5.

STEP 4 Compute the unit toe resistance, q, (kPa).

$$q_t = 9 c_u$$

Where:  $c_u = Undrained$  shear strength of soil at the pile toe.

STEP 5 Compute the ultimate toe resistance, R<sub>t</sub> (kN).

 $R_t = q_t A_t$ 

Where:  $A_t = Area$  of pile toe.

For open pile sections, refer to the discussion of pile plugging presented in Section 9.10.5.

STEP 6 Compute the ultimate pile capacity, Q, (kN).

$$Q_u = R_s + R_t$$

STEP 7 Compute the allowable design load, Q<sub>a</sub> (kN).

$$Q_a = \frac{Q_u}{Factor of Safety}$$

The factor of safety in this static calculation should be based on the specified construction control method as described in Section 9.6 of this chapter.

#### 9.7.1.3 Effective Stress Method

Static capacity calculations in cohesionless, cohesive, and layered soils can also be performed using an effective stress based method. Effective stress based methods were developed to model the long term drained shear strength conditions. Therefore, the effective soil friction angle,  $\phi'$ , should be used in parameter selection.

In an effective stress analysis, the unit shaft resistance is calculated from the following expression:

$$\mathsf{f}_{\mathsf{s}}=\beta\;\overline{\mathsf{p}}_{\mathsf{o}}$$

Where:  $\beta$  = Bjerrum-Burland beta coefficient = K<sub>s</sub> tan  $\delta$ .

- $\bar{p}_{o}$  = Average effective overburden pressure along the pile shaft, (kPa).
- $K_s$  = Earth pressure coefficient.
- $\delta$  = Friction angle between pile and soil.

The unit toe resistance is calculated from:

$$q_t = N_t p_t$$

Where:  $N_t$  = Toe bearing capacity coefficient.

 $p_t$  = Effective overburden pressure <u>at the pile toe</u>.

Recommended ranges of  $\beta$  and N<sub>t</sub> coefficients as a function of soil type and  $\phi'$  angle from Fellenius (1991) are presented in Table 9-4. Fellenius notes that factors affecting the  $\beta$  and N<sub>t</sub> coefficients consist of the soil composition including the grain size distribution, angularity and mineralogical origin of the soil grains, the original soil density and density due to the pile installation technique, the soil strength, as well as other factors. Even so,  $\beta$  coefficients are generally within the ranges provided and seldom exceed 1.0.

For sedimentary cohesionless deposits, Fellenius states  $N_t$  ranges from about 30 to a high of 120. In very dense non-sedimentary deposits such as glacial tills,  $N_t$  can be much higher, but can also approach the lower bound value of 30. In clays, Fellenius notes that the toe resistance calculated using an  $N_t$  of 3 is similar to the toe resistance calculated from a traditional analysis using undrained shear strength. Therefore, the use of a relatively low  $N_t$  coefficient in clays is recommended unless local correlations suggest higher values are appropriate.

Graphs of the ranges in  $\beta$  and N<sub>t</sub> coefficients versus the range in  $\phi$ ' angle as suggested by Fellenius are presented in Figure 9.20 and 9.21, respectively. These graphs may be helpful in selection of  $\beta$  or N<sub>t</sub>. The inexperienced user should select conservative  $\beta$  and N<sub>t</sub> coefficients. As with any design method, the user should also confirm the appropriateness of a selected  $\beta$  or N<sub>t</sub> coefficient in a given soil condition with local correlations between static capacity calculations and static load tests results.

It should be noted that the effective stress method places no limiting values on either the shaft or toe resistance.

TABLE 9-4	APPROXII	ATE RANGE OF $β$ AND N <sub>t</sub> COEFFICIENTS (Fellenius, 1991)				
Soil Type		φ'	β	N <sub>t</sub>		
Clay	25	- 30	0.23 - 0.40	3 - 30		
Silt	28	- 34	0.27 - 0.50	20 - 40		
Sand	32	- 40	0.30 - 0.60	30 - 150		
Gravel	35	- 45	0.35 - 0.80	60 - 300		





### STEP BY STEP PROCEDURE FOR THE EFFECTIVE STRESS METHOD

- STEP 1 Delineate the soil profile into layers and determine  $\phi$ ' angle for each layer.
  - a. Construct p<sub>o</sub> diagram using previously described procedure in Section 9.4.
  - b. Divide soil profile throughout the pile penetration depth into layers and determine the effective overburden pressure,  $p_o$ , at the midpoint of each layer.
  - c. Determine the  $\phi$ ' angle for each soil layer from laboratory or in-situ test data.
  - d. In the absence of laboratory or in-situ data for cohesionless layers, determine the average corrected SPT N' value for each layer and estimate  $\phi$ ' angle from Table 4-5 in Chapter 4.
- STEP 2 Select the  $\beta$  coefficient for each soil layer.
  - a. Use local experience to select  $\beta$  coefficient for each layer.
  - b. In the absence of local experience, use Table 9-4 or Figure 9.20 to estimate  $\beta$  coefficient from  $\phi'$  angle for each layer.
- STEP 3 For each soil layer compute the unit shaft resistance, f<sub>s</sub> (kPa).

$$f_s = \beta p_o$$

STEP 4 Compute the shaft resistance in each soil layer and the ultimate shaft resistance,  $R_s$  (kN) from the sum of the shaft resistance from each soil layer.

$$R_s = f_s A_s$$

Where:  $A_s = Pile-soil$  surface area from pile perimeter and length.

Refer to Section 9.10.5 for additional information on the behavior of open pile sections.

STEP 5 Compute the unit toe resistance,  $q_t$  (kPa).

$$q_t = N_t p_t$$

- a. Use local experience to select  $N_t$  coefficient.
- b. In the absence of local experience, estimate N<sub>t</sub> from Table 9-4 or Figure 9.21 based on  $\phi$ ' angle.
- c. Calculate the effective overburden pressure at the pile toe, pt.

STEP 6 Compute the ultimate toe resistance, R, (kN).

$$\mathsf{R}_t = \mathsf{q}_t \: \mathsf{A}_t$$

Where:  $A_t = Area$  of the pile toe.

For open pile sections, refer to the additional information on pile plugging presented in Section 9.10.5.

STEP 7 Compute the ultimate pile capacity,  $Q_u$  (kN).

$$Q_u = R_s + R_t$$

STEP 8 Compute the allowable design load, Q<sub>a</sub> (kN).

$$Q_a = \frac{Q_u}{Factor of Safety}$$

The factor of safety in this static calculation should be based on the specified construction control method as described in Section 9.6 of this chapter.

## 9.7.1.4 Bearing Capacity of Piles in Layered Soils

The bearing capacity of piles in layered soils can be calculated by combining the methods previously described for cohesionless and cohesive soils. For example, a hand calculation combining the Nordlund method from Section 9.7.1.1b for cohesionless soil layers with the  $\alpha$ -method from Section 9.7.1.2a for cohesive soil layers could be used. The effective stress method as described in Section 9.7.1.3 could also be used for layered soil profiles. Last, the CPT based methods presented in Section 9.7.1.7 could be used in a layered soil profile.

### 9.7.1.5 Bearing Capacity of Piles Using FHWA Computer Programs

### 9.7.1.5a The SPILE Computer Program

The computer program SPILE was developed by the FHWA for calculation of pile capacities using the Nordlund and  $\alpha$ -methods previously described in this chapter. The program users manual by Urzua (1993) is entitled SPILE: A Microcomputer Program for Determining Ultimate Vertical Static Pile Capacity and is available as FHWA-SA-92-044.

In the SPILE program the user inputs the soil profile to a planned pile toe depth. For each soil layer, the user selects the way in which the soil friction angle or adhesion is calculated. Variations in pile length and pile type are easily accommodated. The program can be used for closed end pipe, timber piles, circular or square solid concrete piles, H-piles, and Monotube piles. Piles types not handled by the SPILE program include open end pipe piles, concrete cylinder piles, and octagonal concrete piles. Program results include a summary of the pile shaft and toe resistance as well as the ultimate pile capacity. Typical program results are presented in the sample problems included in Appendix F.

Users of the SPILE program may find subtle differences between hand solutions and computer program results. One of the differences is in the selection of the  $\phi$  angle in cohesionless soils. In the SPILE program, the  $\phi$  angle can either be input by the user, using engineering judgment similar to this manual, or automatically calculated by the program using a correlation between corrected SPT N' values and  $\phi$ . In addition to the possible difference between engineering judgment and the correlation used by the program, the SPILE program will also use  $\phi$  angles with two decimal places in the calculation of results rather than a  $\phi$  angle rounded to a degree or half degree that a hand solution would likely employ.

9.7.1.5b The DRIVEN Computer Program

The FHWA developed the computer program DRIVEN in 1998 for calculation of static pile capacity. In the DRIVEN program, the user inputs the soil profile consisting of the soil unit weights and strength parameters including the percentage strength loss during driving. For the selected pile type, the program calculates the pile capacity versus depth for the entire soil profile using the Nordlund and  $\alpha$ -methods in cohesionless and cohesive layers, respectively. Using the user input soil soil strength losses, the program calculates the ultimate pile capacity at the time of driving as well as during restrike. The program also generates the soil input file required for a driveability study in the GRLWEAP wave equation program.

The DRIVEN program includes several analysis options that facilitate pile design. These options include:

- Soft compressible soils: From a user input depth, the calculated shaft resistance from unsuitable soil layers is subtracted from the ultimate pile capacity calculation.
- Scourable soils: Based on a user input depth, the calculated shaft resistance from scourable soils due to local scour is subtracted from the ultimate pile capacity calculation. In the case of channel degradation scour, the reduction in pile capacity from the loss of shaft resistance in the scour zone as well as the influence of the reduced effective overburden pressure from soil removal on the capacity calculated in the underlying layers is considered.
- Pile Plugging: DRIVEN handles pile plugging based on the recommendations presented in Section 9.10.5 of this manual.

The DRIVEN program can be used to calculate the capacity of open and closed end pipe piles, H-piles, circular or square solid concrete piles, timber piles, and Monotube piles. The program results can be displayed in both tabular or graphical form. Analyses may be performed in either SI or English units and can be switched between units during analyses. The DRIVEN Program User's Manual by Mathias and Cribbs (1998) is provided in FHWA-SA-98-074.

# 9.7.1.6 Bearing Capacity of Piles on Rock

Pile foundations on rock are normally designed to carry large loads. For pile foundations which are driven to rock, which include steel H-piles, pipe piles or precast concrete piles, the exact area of contact with rock, the depth of penetration into rock as well as the quality of rock are largely unknown. Therefore, the determination of load capacity of driven piles on rock should be made on the basis of driving observations, local experience and load tests.

Rock Quality Designation (RQD) Values can provide a qualitative assessment of rock mass as shown in Table 9-5. The RQD is only for NX size or larger core samples (double tube core barrel) and is computed by summing the length of all pieces of core equal to or longer than 102 mm and dividing by the total length of the coring run. The result is multiplied by 100 to get RQD in percent. Fresh, irregular breaks should be ignored and the pieces counted as intact lengths.

TABLE 9-5 ENGINEERING CLAS	CLASSIFICATION FOR IN-SITU ROCK QUALITY				
RQD %	Rock Mass Quality				
90-100	Excellent				
75-90	Good				
50-75	Fair				
25-50	Poor				
0-25	Very Poor				

Except for soft weathered rock, the structural capacity of the pile will generally be lower than the capacity of rock to support loads for toe bearing piles on rock of fair to excellent quality as described in Table 9-5. The structural capacity, which is based on the allowable design stress for the pile material, will therefore govern the pile capacity in many cases. Small
diameter piles supported on fair to excellent quality rock may be loaded to their allowable structural capacity as described in Chapter 11. If H-piles are expected to penetrate to rock through soil deposits without obstructions and pile damage is unlikely, an allowable design stress of 0.33 times the steel yield stress should be used. Piles supported on soft weathered rock, such as shale or other types of very poor or poor quality, should be designed based on the results of pile load tests.

# 9.7.1.7 Methods Based on Cone Penetration Test (CPT) Data

When subsurface exploration programs include in-situ testing with a static cone penetrometer test (CPT), the CPT data can be used to estimate static capacity of single piles under axial loading. The CPT provides especially useful data as a "model pile" pushed into the strata expected to contribute resistance for a driven pile. The cone penetration resistance often correlates well with that of a driven full-sized pile under static loading conditions.

At sites where the cone soundings satisfactorily penetrate to the depths contemplated for driven piles, the CPT results can provide valuable information for estimating static pile capacities. At locations where a shallow stratum causes "refusal" conditions for the CPT device, it is likely that pile driveability problems could develop in the same stratum.

Two methods of analytical interpretation used to estimate static capacity of single piles under axial loading are the Nottingham and Schmertmann Method and the Laboratoire des Ponts et Chaussees or LPC Method. These CPT methods may be used to calculate pile capacities in cohesionless, cohesive, or layered soil profiles. Both methods are described in the following sections. Additional detailed information on these methods may be found in the FHWA publication FHWA-SA-9 1-043, "The Cone Penetrometer Test", by Briaud and Miran (1991).

# 9.7.1.7a Nottingham and Schmertmann Method

One empirical procedure commonly used in U.S. practice was derived from work originally published by Nottingham and Schmertmann (1975), and summarized in publication FHWA-TS-78-209, "Guidelines for Cone Penetration Test, Performance and Design" by Schmertmann (1978).

The ultimate shaft resistance,  $R_s$ , in cohesionless soils may be derived from unit sleeve friction of the CPT using the following expression:

$$R_{s} = K \left[ \frac{1}{2} (\overline{fs} A_{s})_{0 \text{ to } 8b} + (\overline{fs} A_{s})_{8b \text{ to } D} \right]$$

Where: K = Ratio of unit pile shaft resistance to unit cone sleeve friction from Figure 9.22 as a function of the full penetration depth, D.

- fs = Average unit sleeve friction over the depth interval indicated by subscript.
- $A_s$  = Pile-soil surface area over fs depth interval.
- b = Pile width or diameter.
- D = Embedded pile length.
- O to 8b = Range of depths for segment from ground surface to a depth of 8b.
- 8b to D = Range of depths for segment from a depth equal to 8b to the pile toe.

The transfer function K, relating pile shaft resistance to CPT sleeve friction, varies as a function of total pile penetration (depth of embedment/pile diameter), pile material type, and type of cone penetrometer used. No limit was imposed on sleeve friction values in the procedure originally proposed by Nottingham and Schmertmann (1975).

If cone sleeve friction data is not available,  $R_s$  can be determined from the cone tip resistance as follows:

$$\mathsf{R}_{\mathsf{s}} = \mathsf{C}_{\mathsf{f}} \ \Sigma \ \mathsf{q}_{\mathsf{c}} \ \mathsf{A}_{\mathsf{s}}$$

Where: C<sub>f</sub> is obtained from Table 9-6 and

 $q_c$  = Average cone tip resistance along the pile length.

 $A_s = Pile - soil surface area.$ 

TABLE 9-6 CPT C <sub>f</sub> VALUES	
Type of Piles	C <sub>f</sub>
Precast Concrete	0.012
Timber	0.018
Steel Displacement	0.012
Open End Steel Pipe	0.008



Implementation Package, FHWA-TS-78-209)

For shaft resistance in cohesive soils, the ultimate shaft resistance,  $R_s$ , is obtained from the sleeve friction values using the following expression:

$$R_s = \alpha' \overline{fs} A_s$$

Where:  $\alpha' = Ratio$  of pile shaft resistance to cone sleeve friction, patterned after Tomlinson's  $\alpha$ -method.

The value of  $\alpha$ ' varies as a function of sleeve friction, fs, value as shown in Figure 9.23. It is expected that this method of calculating pile shaft resistance is less appropriate in sensitive soils as the friction sleeve of the cone encounters severely disturbed soils behind the cone tip.

The estimation of pile toe ultimate capacity is described in Figure 9.24. In essence an elaborate averaging scheme is used to weight the cone tip resistance values, from 8 pile diameters above the pile toe, to as much as 3.75 pile diameters below the pile toe, favoring the lower cone tip resistance,  $q_c$ , values within the depth range. The authors make reference to a "limit" value of  $q_c$  between 5000 to 15000 kPa, that should be applied to the ultimate unit pile toe resistance,  $q_t$ , unless local experience warrants use of higher values. In the case of mechanical cone soundings in cohesive soils, the  $q_t$  value is reduced by 40 percent to account for end bearing effects on the base of the friction sleeve. As discussed in Section 9.10.5, careful consideration of soil plugging phenomena is needed in choosing the cross-sectional area over which  $q_t$  is applied for low displacement open ended pipe and H-piles.



Figure 9.23 Design Curve for Pile Side Friction in Clay (after Schmertmann, 1978)



- STEP 1 Delineate the soil profile into layers using the cone tip resistance, q, and sleeve friction, fs, values.
- STEP 2 Compute the shaft resistance for each soil layer, R<sub>s</sub> (kN).
  - a. For piles in cohesionless soils, compute ultimate shaft resistance, R<sub>s</sub>, using the average sleeve friction value for the layer, fs, and the K value. Note that K should be determined using the full pile penetration depth to diameter ratio from Figure 9.22, and not the penetration depth for the layer. Conversely, the depth d corresponds to the pile toe depth, or the depth to the bottom of the layer, whichever is less. For H-piles in cohesionless soils, the pile-soil surface area A<sub>s</sub>, should be the "box" area.

$$R_{s} = K \left[ \frac{1}{2} (\overline{fs} A_{s})_{0 \text{ to } 8b} + (\overline{fs} A_{s})_{8b \text{ to } d} \right]$$

For cohesionless layers below a depth of 8b, the above equation for shaft resistance in a layer reduces to:

$$R_s = K \overline{fs} A_s$$

For piles in cohesionless soils without sleeve friction data, compute the ultimate shaft resistance from:

$$\mathsf{R}_{\mathsf{s}} = \mathsf{C}_{\mathsf{f}} \ \Sigma \ \mathsf{q}_{\mathsf{c}} \ \mathsf{A}_{\mathsf{s}}$$

Where:

C<sub>f</sub> is obtained from Table 9-6 and

 $q_c = Average$  cone tip resistance along the pile length.

b. For piles in cohesive soils, compute the ultimate shaft resistance using the average sleeve friction value for the layer from:

$$R_s = \alpha' \ \overline{fs} \ A_s$$

Where:

 $\alpha$ ' determined from Figure 9.23.

- STEP 3 Calculate the total pile shaft resistance from the sum of the shaft resistances from each soil layer.
- STEP 4 Compute the unit pile to resistance, q<sub>t</sub> (kPa).

$$q_t = \frac{q_{c1} + q_{c2}}{2}$$

Where:  $q_{c1}$  and  $q_{c2}$  = Unit cone tip resistance.

Use procedure shown in Figure 9.24 to determine q<sub>t</sub>.

STEP 5 Determine the ultimate the resistance, R, (kN).

$$R_t = q_t A_t$$

Where:  $A_t$  = Pile toe area.

For steel H and unfilled open ended pipe piles, use only the steel cross section area at the pile toe unless there is reasonable assurance and previous experience that a soil plug would form. For a plugged condition use the "box" area of the H pile and the full cross section area for pipe pile. Additional information on the plugging of open pile sections is presented in Section 9.10.5.

STEP 6 Determine ultimate pile ¢apacity, Q<sub>11</sub> (kN).

$$Q_u = R_s + Rt$$

STEP 7 Determine allowable design load, Q<sub>a</sub> (kN).

$$Q_a = \frac{Q_u}{Factor of Safety}$$

The factor of safety in this static calculation should be based on the specified construction control method as described in Section 9.6 of this chapter.

### 9.7.1.7b Laboratoire des Ponts et Chaussees (LPC)

The LPC method was developed and presented by Bustamante and Gianeselli (1983), based on empirical criteria taking into consideration soil type, pile type, and level of cone tip resistance. The approach considers only cone tip resistance,  $q_c$ , and factors soil type, pile type, installation method, and  $q_c$ , into determination of ultimate shaft resistance along the pile, contributed layer-by-layer, based on a family of prescribed curves. The resistance at the pile toe is calculated as the product of  $q_c$  and a cone bearing factor,  $K_c$ , that varies by soil type and pile installation method.

In the LPC method, the pile is categorized based on pile type and installation procedure as indicated in Table 9-7. Next Tables 9-8(a) and 9-8(b) are used to determine the shaft resistance design curve in Figures 9.25(a) or 9.25(b) to be used for each soil layer, based on the soil type, pile category and cone tip resistance. In Table 9-8(a), the method provides no guidance on whether to use design curve 1 or 2 when  $q_c$  is between 700 and 1200 kPa. Therefore it is recommended to interpolate between curves 1 or 2 when  $q_c$  is between 700 and 1200 kPa.

The unit toe resistance is calculated from the cone bearing capacity factor,  $K_c$ , obtained in Table 9-9, times the average cone resistance,  $q_c$ , within one pile diameter below the pile toe. This may be expressed in equation from as:

$$q_t = K_c q_c$$

In order to apply the CPT design procedures, it is necessary to characterize the subsurface materials as cohesive or cohesionless. The usual approach is to identify the "soil behavior" type as a function of cone tip resistance,  $q_c$ , and friction ratio,  $R_f$ . The friction ratio is the cone sleeve friction, fs, divided by the cone tip resistance, or fs/q<sub>c</sub>. The soil classification chart presented in Figure 5.2 can then be used to characterize the soil as cohesive or cohesionless.

TABLE 9-7 DRIVEN PILE TYPE CATEGORIES FOR LPC METHOD		
Pile Type	Pile Description	Pile Installation Procedure
A	Driven prefabricated concrete piles.	Reinforced or prestressed concrete pile installed by driving or vibro-driving.
В	Driven steel piles.	Pile made of steel only and driven in place: H pile, pipe pile or any shape obtained by welding sheet-pile sections.
С	Driven prestressed concrete tube piles.	Made of hollow cylinder elements of lightly reinforced concrete assembled together by prestressing before driving. Each element is generally 1.5 to 3 m long and 0.7 to 0.9 m in diameter; the thickness is approximately 0.15 m. The piles are driven open-ended.

TABLE 9-8(a) CURVE SELECTION BASED ON PILE TYPE AND INSERTION PROCEDURES FOR CLAY AND SILT			
Curve No.	q <sub>c</sub> (kPa)	Pile Type (see Table 9-7)	Comments on Insertion Procedure
1	<700	A, B, C	
2	>1200	A, B, C	For all steel piles, experience shows that, in plastic soils, $f_s$ is often as low as curve 1. Therefore, use curve 1 in plastic soils when no previous load test data is available. For all driven concrete piles use curve 3 in low plasticity soils with sand or sand and gravel layers or containing boulders, and when $q_c$ >2500 kPa.
3	> 1200	A	For all driven concrete piles in low plasticity soils with sand or sand and gravel layers or containing boulders, and when $q_c > 2500$ kPa.

TABLE 9-8(b) CURVE SELECTION BASED ON PILE TYPE AND INSERTION PROCEDURES FOR SAND AND GRAVEL			
Curve No.	q <sub>c</sub> (kPa)	Pile Type (see Table 9-7)	Comments on Insertion Procedure
1	<3500	A, B, C	
2	>3500	A, B, C	For fine sands. Since steel piles can lead to very small values of $f_s$ in such soils, use curve 1 unless higher values can be based on load test results. For concrete piles, use curve 2 for fine sands of $q_c$ >7500 kPa.
3	>7500	A, B	For coarse gravelly sand or gravel only. For concrete piles, use curve 4 if it can be justified by a load test.
4	>7500	A	Only for coarse gravelly sand and gravel and, if justified, by load test.

TABLE 9-9 CONE BEARING CAPACITY FACTORS FOR LPC METHOD		
Type of Soil	Cone Bearing Factor, K <sub>c</sub>	
Clay-silt	0.600	
Sand-gravel	0.375	



Figure 9.25 Maximum Unit Shaft Resistance Curves for LPC Method

#### STEP BY STEP PROCEDURE FOR THE LPC METHOD

STEP 1 Delineate the soil profile into layers using the cone tip resistance, q<sub>c</sub>, and friction ratio, R<sub>f</sub>, values.

Use Figure 5.2 to characterize each layer as cohesive or cohesionless.

- STEP 2 Determine unit shaft resistance values for each soil layer, f<sub>s</sub> (kPa).
  - a. Determine the average q<sub>c</sub> value for each layer.
  - b. Use Table 9-8(a) or 9-8(b) to determine appropriate friction design curve in Figure 9.25(a), or Figure 9.25(b) based on pile type from Table 9-7 and soil characterization.
  - c. Enter Figures 9.25(a) or 9.25(b) with cone tip resistance,  $q_c$ , to determine layer unit shaft resistance,  $f_s$  (kPa).
- STEP 3 Compute the shaft resistance in each soil layer and the ultimate shaft resistance,  $R_s$  (kN), from the sum of the shaft resistance from each soil layer.

$$R_s = f_s A_s$$

- Where:  $A_s$  = Pile-soil surface area from pile perimeter and length. For H-piles, the "box" area should be used.
- STEP 4 Compute the unit pile toe resistance, q<sub>t</sub> (kPa).
  - a. Average q<sub>c</sub> value from pile toe to one diameter below pile toe.
  - b. Obtain cone bearing capacity factor, K<sub>c</sub>, from Table 9-9.
  - c. Compute unit pile toe resistance from following equation.

$$q_t = K_c q_c$$

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STEP 5 Compute the ultimate toe resistance, R<sub>t</sub> (kN).

$$R_t = q_t A_t$$

Where:  $A_t = Pile$  toe area.

- **Note:** For steel H and unfilled open ended pipe piles, use only the steel cross section area at the pile toe unless there is reasonable assurance and previous experience that a soil plug would form. For a plugged condition use the "box" area of the H pile and the full cross section area for pipe pile. Additional discussion on plugging of open pile sections is presented in 9.10.5.
- STEP 6 Compute the ultimate pile capacity, Q<sub>1</sub> (kN).

$$Q_u = R_s + R_t$$

STEP 7 Determine allowable design load, Q<sub>a</sub> (kN).

$$Q_a = \frac{Q_u}{Factor of Safety}$$

The factor of safety in this static calculation should be based on the specified construction control method as described in Section 9.6 of this chapter.

# 9.7.2 Uplift Capacity of Single Piles

The design of piles for uplift loading conditions has become increasingly important for structures subject to seismic loading. In some cases, the pile uplift capacity determines the minimum pile penetration requirements. Nicola and Randolph (1993) note that in fine grained cohesive soils, where loading is assumed to occur under undrained conditions, the shaft resistance is generally considered equal in compression and in uplift.

In noncohesive or free draining soils, the uplift capacity of a pile has been more controversial. Nicola and Randolph (1993) state that it has been customary to assume that the shaft resistance in uplift is approximately 70% of the shaft resistance in compression. Based upon a finite difference parametric study, they concluded that a reduction in shaft resistance for uplift in free draining soils should be used, and that piles have lower uplift capacity than their compression shaft resistance. Conversely, the American Petroleum Institute's (1993) recommended design practice considers the pile shaft resistance to be equal in uplift and compression loading. Likewise, Altaee, *et al.*, (1992) presented a case of an instrumented pile in sand where the shaft resistance was approximately equal in compression and uplift when residual stresses were considered.

Tomlinson (1994) notes that the shaft resistance under cyclic loading is influenced by the rate of application of load as well as the degree of degradation of soil particles at the soil-pile interface. Under cyclic or sustained uplift loading in clays, the uplift resistance can decrease from the peak value to a residual value. In sands, particle degradation or reorientation can also result in decrease in uplift capacity under cyclic or sustained uplift loading. Therefore, the designer should consider what effect, if any, sustained or cyclic uplift loading will have on soil strength degradation.

Based on the above issues, the design uplift capacity of a single pile should be taken as 1/3 of the ultimate shaft resistance calculated from any of the static analysis methods presented in this chapter except for the Meyerhof (SPT) method which should not be used. If a tensile load test is done for design confirmation, the design uplift load may be increased to 1/2 of the tensile load test failure load as defined in Chapter 19. Selection of the design uplift load should also consider the potential for soil strength degradation due to the duration or frequency of uplift loading, which may not influence the load test results.

The uplift capacity of pile groups is discussed in Section 9.8.3. Tensile load test procedures are described by Kyfor *et al.* (1992) in FHWA-SA-91-042 and in Chapter 19.

### 9.7.3 Lateral Capacity of Single Piles

In addition to axial compression and uplift loads, piles are routinely subjected to lateral loads. Potential sources of lateral loads on bridge structures include vehicle acceleration and braking forces, wind loads, wave and current forces, debris loading, ice forces, vessel impact loads, earth pressures on the backs of abutment walls, slope movements, and seismic events. These lateral loads can be of the same magnitude as axial compressive loads and therefore warrant careful consideration during design. The foundation deformation under lateral loading must also be within the established performance criterion for the structure.

Historically, designers often used prescription values for the lateral load capacity of vertical piles, or added batter piles to increase a pile group's lateral capacity when it was believed that vertical piles could not provide the needed lateral resistance. However, vertical piles can be designed to withstand significant lateral loads. Modern analysis methods should be employed in the selection of the pile type and pile section.

Coduto (1994) notes that a foundation system consisting of only vertical piles designed to resist both axial and lateral loads is more flexible, and thus more effective at resisting dynamic loads, as well as less expensive to build. Bollmann (1993) reported that the Florida Department of Transportation often uses only vertical piles to resist lateral loads, including ship impact loads because vertical piles are often less expensive than batter piles. In areas where seismic lateral shaking is a serious concern, batter piles can deliver excessively large horizontal forces to the structure during the earthquake event. This phenomena was observed during the Loma Prieta earthquake of 1989 in California and discussed in greater detail by Hadjian *et al.* (1992). In earthquake areas, lateral loads should be resisted by ductile vertical piles, and batter piles should be avoided whenever possible.

Modern analysis methods are now readily available that allow the lateral load-deflection behavior of piles to be rationally evaluated. Lateral loads and moments on a vertical pile are resisted by the flexural stiffness of the pile and mobilization of resistance in the surrounding soil as the pile deflects. The flexural stiffness of a pile is defined by the pile's modulus of elasticity, E, and moment of inertia, I. The soil resistance to an applied lateral load is a combination of soil compression and shear resistance, as shown in Figure 9.26.



Figure 9.26 Soil Resistance to a Lateral Pile Load (adapted from Smith, 1989).

The design of laterally loaded piles must evaluate both the pile structural response and soil deformation to lateral loads. The factor of safety against both ultimate soil failure and pile structural failure must be determined. In addition, the pile deformation under the design loading conditions must be calculated and compared to foundation performance criteria.

The design of laterally loaded piles requires the combined skills of the geotechnical and structural engineer. It is inappropriate for the geotechnical engineer to analyze a laterally loaded pile without a full understanding of pile-structure interaction. Likewise it is inappropriate for the structural engineer to complete a laterally loaded pile design without a full understanding of how pile section or spacing changes may alter the soil response. Because of the interaction of pile structural and geotechnical considerations, the economical solution of lateral pile loading problems requires communication between the structural and geotechnical engineer.

Soil, pile, and load parameters have significant effects on the lateral load capacity of piles. The factors influencing these parameters are as follows:

- 1. Soil Parameters
  - a. Soil type and physical properties such as shear strength, friction angle, density, groundwater level, and moisture content.
  - b. Coefficient of horizontal subgrade reaction (kN/m<sup>3</sup>). This coefficient is defined as the ratio between a horizontal pressure per unit area of vertical surface (kN/m<sup>2</sup>) and the corresponding horizontal displacement (m). For a given deformation, the greater the coefficient, the greater the lateral load resistance.
- 2. Pile Parameters
  - a. Physical properties such as shape, material, and dimensions.
  - b. Pile head conditions (rotational constraint, if any).
  - c. Method of pile placement such as driving, jetting, etc.
  - d. Group action.
- 3. Lateral Load Parameters
  - a. Static (monotonic or cyclic) or dynamic.
  - b. Eccentricity (moment coupled with shear force).

### 9.7.3.1 Lateral Capacity Design Methods

The basic design approaches for lateral pile capacity analysis of vertical piles consist of lateral load tests or analytical methods. Both of these approaches are described in greater detail in the following sections.

#### 1. Lateral Load Tests

Full scale lateral load tests can be conducted at a site during either the design or construction stage. The load-deformation data obtained is used to finalize or confirm the design for the particular site. Factors such as loading rate, cyclic (single or multi-directional) versus monotonic application of design forces, and levels of axial load components should be considered in developing appropriate field testing procedures. These tests may be time-consuming, costly, and cannot be justified on all projects. Chapter 19 provides additional details on lateral load test procedures and interpretation.

#### 2. Analytical Methods

The analytical methods are based on theory and empirical data and permit the rational consideration of various site parameters. Two common approaches are Broms' (1964a, 1964b) hand calculation method and Reese's (1984) computer solution. Both approaches consider the pile to be analogous to a beam on an elastic foundation. FHWA publication FHWA-IP-84-11 by Reese (1984) presents details of both methods.

Broms' method provides a relatively easy hand calculation procedure to determine lateral loads and pile deflections at the ground surface. Broms' method ignores the axial load on the pile. For small projects, Broms' method may be used. However, when there are definitive limits on the allowable pile movements, a more detailed load-deformation analysis may still be required.

Reese's method is a more rigorous computer analysis using the COM624P program. Reese's method permits the inclusion of more complete modeling parameters of a specific problem. The program output provides distributions versus depth of moment, shear, soil and pile moduli, and soil resistance for the entire length of pile, including moments and shears in above ground sections. For the design of all major pile foundation projects, Reese's more rigorous computer method should be used. The COM624P method is described in more detail in Section 9.7.3.3 Additional information on the COM624P program by Wang and Reese (1993) may be found in FHWA publication FHWA-SA-91-048.

## 9.7.3.2 Broms' Method

The Broms' method is a straight forward hand calculation method for lateral load analysis of a single pile. The method calculates the ultimate soil resistance to lateral load as well as the maximum moment induced in the pile. Broms' method can be used to evaluate fixed or free head conditions in either purely cohesive or purely cohesionless soil profiles. The method is not conducive to lateral load analyses in mixed cohesive and cohesionless soil profiles. For long fixed head piles in sands, the method can also overpredict lateral load capacities (Long, 1996). Therefore, for mixed profiles and for long fixed head piles in sands, the COM624P program should be used. A step by step procedure developed by the New York State Department of Transportation (1977) on the application of Broms' method is provided below.

# STEP BY STEP PROCEDURE FOR BROMS' METHOD

- STEP 1 Determine the general soil type (*i.e.*, cohesive or cohesionless) within the critical depth below the ground surface (about 4 or 5 pile diameters).
- STEP 2 Determine the coefficient of horizontal subgrade reaction, K<sub>h</sub>, within the critical depth for cohesive or cohesionless soils.

a. Cohesive Soils: 
$$K_h = \frac{n_1 n_2 80 q_u}{b}$$

Where:  $q_u =$  Unconfined compressive strength (kPa). b = Width or diameter of pile (m).  $n_1$  and  $n_2 =$  Empirical coefficients taken from Table 9-10.

b. Cohesionless Soils:

Choose  $K_h$  from the Table 9-11. (The values of  $K_h$  given in Table 9-11 were determined by Terzaghi.)

TABLE 9-10 VALUES OF COEFFICIENTS n1 AND n2 FOR COHESIVE SOILS		
Unconfined Compressive Strength, q <sub>u</sub> , (kPa)	n <sub>1</sub>	
Less than 48 kPa 48 to 191 kPa More than 191 kPa	0.32 0.36 0.40	
Pile Material	n <sub>2</sub>	
Steel Concrete Wood	1.00 1.15 1.30	

TABLE 9-11 VALUES OF K <sub>h</sub> FOR COHESIONLESS SOILS			
	K <sub>h</sub> , (kN/m³)		
Soil Density	Above Ground Water	Below Ground Water	
Loose Medium Dense	1900 8143 17644	1086 5429 10857	

STEP 3 Adjust K<sub>h</sub> for loading and soil conditions.

a. Cyclic loading (for earthquake loading) in cohesionless soil:

1.  $K_h = \frac{1}{2} K_h$  from Step 2 for medium to dense soil.

2.  $K_h = \frac{1}{4} K_h$  from Step 2 for loose soil.

- b. Static loads resulting in soil creep (cohesive soils):
  - 1. Soft and very soft normally consolidated clays  $K_h = (1/3 \text{ to } 1/6) K_h$  from Step 2.
  - 2. Stiff to very stiff clays  $K_h = (1/4 \text{ to } 1/2) K_h$  from Step 2.

STEP 4 Determine pile parameters.

- a. Modulus of elasticity, E, (MPa).
- b. Moment of inertia, I,  $(m^4)$ .
- c. Section modulus, S, (m<sup>3</sup>) about an axis perpendicular to the load plane.
- d. Yield stress of pile material, f<sub>y</sub>, (MPa) for steel or ultimate compression strength, f'<sub>c</sub>, (MPa) for concrete.
- e. Embedded pile length, D, (m).
- f. Diameter or width, b, (m).
- g. Eccentricity of applied load e<sub>c</sub> for free-headed piles *i.e.*, vertical distance between ground surface and lateral load (m).
- h. Dimensionless shape factor C<sub>s</sub> (for steel piles only):
  - 1. Use 1.3 for piles with circular cross section.
  - 2. Use 1.1 for H-section piles when the applied lateral load is in the direction of the pile's maximum resisting moment (normal to the pile flanges).
  - 3. Use 1.5 for H-section piles when the applied lateral load is in the direction of the pile's minimum resisting moment (parallel to the pile flanges).
- i.  $M_v$ , the resisting moment of the pile.
  - 1.  $M_y = C_s f_y S$  (kN-m) (for steel piles).
  - 2.  $M_v = f'_c S$  (kN-m) (for concrete piles).

STEP 5 Determine  $\beta_h$  for cohesive soils or  $\eta$  for cohesionless soils.

a. 
$$\beta_h = \sqrt[4]{K_h b/4EI}$$
 for cohesive soil, or

b. 
$$\eta = \sqrt[7]{K_h/El}$$
 for cohesionless soil.

STEP 6 Determine the dimensionless length factor.

a.  $\beta_h D$  for cohesive soil, or

- b.  $\eta D$  for cohesionless soil.
- STEP 7 Determine if the pile is long or short.
  - a. Cohesive soil:

1.  $\beta_{\rm h} D > 2.25$  (long pile).

2.  $\beta_{\rm h}$ D < 2.25 (short pile).

- Note: It is suggested that for  $\beta_h D$  values between 2.0 and 2.5, both long and short pile criteria should be considered in Step 9, and then the smaller value should be used.
- b. Cohesionless soil:

1.  $\eta D > 4.0$  (long pile).

2.  $\eta D$  < 2.0 (short pile).

3. 2.0 <  $\eta$ D < 4.0 (intermediate pile).

- STEP 8 Determine other soil parameters over the embedded length of pile.
  - a. The Rankine passive pressure coefficient for cohesionless soil,  $K_p$ .  $K_p = \tan^2 (45 + \phi/2)$  where  $\phi =$  angle of internal friction.
  - b. The average effective unit weight of soil,  $\gamma'$  (kN/m<sup>3</sup>).
  - c. The cohesion,  $c_u$ . (kPa).  $c_u = \frac{1}{2}$  the unconfined compressive strength,  $q_u$ .
- STEP 9 Determine the ultimate lateral load for a single pile, Q<sub>1</sub>.
  - a. Short Free or Fixed-Headed Pile in Cohesive Soil.

Using D/b (and  $e_{a}$ /b for the free-headed case), enter Figure 9.27, select the corresponding value of  $Q_{u}/c_{u}b^{2}$ , and solve for  $Q_{u}$  (kN).

b. Long Free or Fixed-Headed Pile in Cohesive Soil.

Using  $M_y/c_ub^3$  (and  $e_o/b$  for the free headed case), enter Figure 9.28, select the corresponding value of  $Q_u/c_ub^2$ , and solve for  $Q_u$  (kN).

c. Short Free or Fixed-Headed Pile in Cohesionless Soil.

Using D/b (and  $e_0/D$  for the free-headed case), enter Figure 9.29, select the corresponding value of  $Q_u/K_p$  b<sup>3</sup> $\gamma$  and solve for  $Q_u$  (kN).

d. Long Free or Fixed-Headed Pile in Cohesionless Soil.

Using  $M_y/b^4\gamma K_p$ , (and  $e_o/b$  for the free headed case), enter Figure 9.30, select the corresponding value of  $Q_u/K_pb^3\gamma$  and solve for  $Q_u$  (kN).

e. Intermediate Free or Fixed-Headed Pile in Cohesionless Soil.

Calculate  $Q_u$  for both a short pile (Step 9c) and long pile (Step 9d) and use the smaller value.



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Figure 9.29 Ultimate Lateral Load Capacity of Short Piles in Cohesionless Soils



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STEP 10 Calculate the maximum allowable working load for a single pile  $Q_m$ .

Calculate  $Q_m$  from the ultimate load  $Q_u$  determined in Step 9 as shown in Figure 9.31.

$$Q_{m} = \frac{Q_{u}}{2.5} (kN)$$
Ultimate (Failure) Load  $Q_{u}$ 

$$(kN)$$

$$Q_{a}$$

$$Q_{a}$$

$$Q_{a}$$

$$Adjusted Q_{a}$$

$$y \ y_{m}$$
Deflection, y (m)

Figure 9.31 Load Deflection Relationship Used in Determination of Broms' Maximum Working Load

STEP 11 Calculate the working load for a single pile, Q<sub>a</sub> (kN).

Calculate  $Q_a$  corresponding to a given design deflection at the ground surface y, (m) or the deflection corresponding to a given design load. If  $Q_a$  and y are not given, substitute the value of  $Q_m$  (kN) from Step 10 for  $Q_a$  in the following cases and solve for  $y_m$  (m):

a. Free or Fixed-Headed Pile in Cohesive Soil.

Using  $\beta_h D$  (and  $e_c/D$  for the free-headed case), enter Figure 9.32, select the corresponding value of  $yK_h bD/Q_a$ , and solve for  $Q_a$  (kN) or y (m).

b. Free or Fixed-Headed Pile in Cohesionless Soil.

Using  $\eta D$  (and e<sub>c</sub>/D for the free-headed case), enter Figure 9.33, select the corresponding value of y(El)<sup>3/5</sup>K<sub>h</sub><sup>2/5</sup>/Q<sub>a</sub>D, and solve for Q<sub>a</sub> (kN) or y (m).

STEP 12 Compare  $Q_a$  to  $Q_m$ .

If  $Q_a > Q_m$ , use  $Q_m$  and calculate  $y_m$  (Step 11).

If  $Q_a < Q_m$  use  $Q_a$  and y.

If  $Q_a$  and y are not given, use  $Q_m$  and  $y_m$ .



Figure 9.32 Lateral Deflection at Ground Surface of Piles in Cohesive Soils



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- STEP 13 Reduce the allowable load from Step 12 for pile group effects and the method of pile installation.
  - a. Group reduction factor determined by the center to center pile spacing, z, in the direction of load.



- b. Method of installation reduction factor.
  - 1. For driven piles use no reduction.
  - 2. For jetted piles use 0.75 of the value from Step 13a.
- STEP 14 Determine pile group lateral capacity.

The total lateral load capacity of the pile group equals the adjusted allowable load per pile from Step 13b times the number of piles. The deflection of the pile group is the value selected in Step 12. It should be noted that no provision has been made to include the lateral resistance offered by the soil surrounding an embedded pile cap.

### Special Note

Inspection of Figures 9.29 and 9.30 for cohesionless soils indicates that the ultimate load  $Q_u$  is directly proportional to  $\gamma$ , the effective soil unit weight. As a result, the ultimate load for short piles in submerged cohesionless soils will be about 50 percent of the value for the same soil in a dry state. For long piles, the reduction in  $Q_u$  is somewhat less than 50 percent due to the partially offsetting effect that the reduction in  $\gamma$  has on the dimensionless yield factor. In addition to these considerations, it should be noted that the coefficient of horizontal subgrade reaction  $K_h$  is less for the submerged case (Table 9-11) and thus the deflection will be greater than for the dry state.

### 9.7.3.3 Reese's COM624P Method

The interaction of a pile-soil system subjected to lateral load has long been recognized as a complex function of nonlinear response characteristics. The most widely used nonlinear analysis method is the p-y method, where p is the soil resistance per unit pile length and y is the lateral soil or pile deflection. This method, illustrated in Figure 9.34, models the soil resistance to lateral load as a series of nonlinear springs.

Reese (1984, 1986) has presented procedures for describing the soil response surrounding a laterally loaded pile for various soil conditions by using a family of p-y curves. The procedures for constructing these curves are based on experiments using full-sized, instrumented piles and theories for the behavior of soil under stress.

The soil modulus  $E_s$  is defined as follows:

$$\mathsf{E}_{\mathsf{s}} = - \frac{\mathsf{p}}{\mathsf{y}}$$

The negative sign indicates that the soil resistance opposes pile deflection. The soil modulus,  $E_s$ , is the secant modulus of the p-y curve and is not constant except over a small range of deflections. Typical p-y curves are shown in Figure 9.35. Ductile p-y curves, such as curve A, are typical of the response of soft clays under static loading and sands. Brittle p-y curves, such as curve B, can be found in some stiff clays under dynamic loading conditions.



Figure 9.34 COM624P Pile-Soil Model



Figure 9.35 Typical p-y Curves for Ductile and Brittle Soil (after Coduto 1994).

The factor most influencing the shape of the p-y curve is the soil properties. However, the p-y curves also depend upon depth, soil stress-strain relationships, pile width, water table location, and loading conditions (static or cyclic). Procedures for constructing p-y curves for various soil and water table conditions as well as static or cyclic loading conditions are provided in the COM624P program documentation by Wang and Reese (1993) FHWA-SA-91-048.

Procedures for p-y curve development cover the following soil and water table conditions:

- 1. Soft clays below the water table.
- 2. Stiff clays below the water table.
- 3. Stiff clays above the water table.
- 4. Sands above or below the water table.
The COM624P program solves the nonlinear differential equations representing the behavior of the pile-soil system to lateral (shear and moment) loading conditions in a finite difference formulation using Reese's p-y method of analysis. The strongly nonlinear reaction of the surrounding soil to pile-soil deflection is represented by the p-y curve prescribed to act on each discrete element of the embedded pile. For each set of applied boundary (static) loads the program performs an iterative solution which satisfies static equilibrium and achieves an acceptable compatibility between force and deflection (p and y) in every element.

The shape and discrete parameters defining each individual p-y curve may be input by the analyst, but are most often generated by the program. Layered soil systems are characterized by conventional geotechnical data including soil type, shear strength, density, depth, and stiffness parameters, and whether the loading conditions are monotonic or cyclic in nature.

In Version 2.0 of the COM624P, the influence of applied loads (axial, lateral and moment) at each element can be modeled with flexural rigidity varying as a function of applied moment. In this manner, progressive flexural damage such as cracking in a reinforced concrete pile can be treated more rigorously. The COM624P program code includes a subroutine (PMEIX) which calculates the value of flexural rigidity at each element under the boundary conditions and resultant pile-soil interaction conditions.

COM624P problem data is input through a series of menu-driven screens. In most cases help screens are available. Detailed information concerning the software can be found in the FHWA publication FHWA-SA-91-048, COM624P - Laterally Loaded Pile Program for the Microcomputer, Version 2.0, by Wang and Reese (1993). Part I provides a User's Guide, Part II presents the theoretical background on which the program is based, and Part III deals with System Maintenance. The appendices include useful guidelines for integrating COM624P analyses into the overall design process for laterally loaded deep foundations, and a comprehensive case study example implementing the design guidelines.

The COM624P computer printout file summarizes the input information and the analysis results. The input data summarized includes the pile geometry and properties, and soil strength data. Output information includes the generated p-y curves at various depths below the pile head and the computed pile deflections, bending moments, stresses and soil moduli as functions of depth below the pile head. This information allows an



Figure 9.36 Graphical Presentation of COM624 Results (after Reese, 1986).

analysis of the pile's structural capacity. Internally generated (or input) values of flexural rigidity for cracked or damaged pile sections are also output. Graphical presentations versus depth include the computed deflection, slope, moment, and shear in the pile, and soil reaction forces similar to those illustrated in Figure 9.36.

The COM624P analyses characterize the behavior of a single pile under lateral loading conditions. A detailed view is obtained of the load transfer and structural response mechanisms to design conditions. Considerable care is required in extrapolating the results to the behavior of pile groups (pile-soil-pile interaction, *etc.*), and accounting for the effects of different construction processes such as predrilling or jetting.

In any lateral analysis case, the analyst should verify that the intent of the modeling assumptions, all elastic behavior for example, is borne out in the analysis results. When a lateral load test is performed, the measured load-deflection results versus depth should be plotted and compared with the COM624P predicted behavior so that an evaluation of the validity of the p-y curves used for design can be made, such as that presented in Figure 9.37.



Figure 9.37 Comparison of Measured and COM624P Predicted Load-Deflection Behavior versus Depth (after Kyfor *et al.* 1992).

## STEP BY STEP PROCEDURE FOR USING THE COM624P PROGRAM

- STEP 1 Determine basic pile input parameters for trial pile.
  - a. Pile length (m).
  - b. Modulus of elasticity, E (kPa).
  - c. Distance from pile head to ground surface (m).
  - d. Number of increments for pile model (300 maximum).
  - e. Slope of the ground surface, if any. (degrees).
- STEP 2 Divide pile into segments with uniform cross sectional properties. For each segment, provide:
  - a. X-coordinate at top of segment.
  - b. Pile diameter (m).
  - c. Moment of inertia, I, (m<sup>4</sup>).
  - d. Area of pile (m<sup>2</sup>).
- STEP 3 Delineate the soil profile into layers over the maximum anticipated penetration depth of the trial pile. Soil profile delineation should include:
  - a. Location of the ground water table.
  - b. Top and bottom depth of each soil layer from the ground surface (m).
  - c. Soil layer characterization as cohesive or cohesionless.

STEP 4 Determine the required spil input parameters for each layer.

- a. Soil effective unit weights,  $\gamma'$  (kN/m<sup>3</sup>).
- b. Soil strength parameters.
  - 1. For cohesive layers:
    - cohesion,  $c_u$  (kPa), and
    - $\epsilon_{50}$ , the measured strain at  $\frac{1}{2}$  maximum principal stress from triaxial tests or an assumed value from Table 9-12.
  - 2. For cohesionless layers:
    - $\phi$  angle from laboratory, in-situ data, or SPT N values.
- c. Slope of soil modulus, k, (kN/m<sup>3</sup>) measured from laboratory or in-situ test data or assumed value from Table 9-13.
- STEP 5 Develop p-y curves for selected depths. Decide if program or user input p-y curves will be used.
  - a. Program p-y curves can be input at user selected depths. Curves are assigned to soil layers using a criteria number.
  - b. User p-y curves require input of deflection (m) and soil resistance (kN/m) coordinates for each p-y curve at user selected depths.

TABLE 9-12 REPRESENTATIVE VALUES OF $\epsilon_{50}$ FOR CLAYS					
Clay Consistency	Average Undrained Shear Strength, c <sub>u</sub> (kPa)	$\epsilon_{50}$			
Soft Clay	12 - 24	0.02			
Medium Clay	24 - 48	0.01			
Stiff Clay	48 - 96	0.007			
Very Stiff Clay	96 - 192	0.005			
Hard Clay	192 - 383	0.004			

TABLE 9-13 REPRESENTATIVE k VALUES FOR CLAYS AND SANDS						
Soil Type	Average Undrained Shear Strength, c <sub>u</sub> (kPa)	Soil Condition	k - Static Loading (kN/m <sup>3</sup> )	k - Cyclic Loading (kN/m³)		
Soft Clay	12 - 24		8,140			
Medium Clay	24 - 48		27,150			
Stiff Clay	48 - 96		136,000	54,300		
Very Stiff Clay	96 - 192		271,000	108,500		
Hard Clay	192 - 383		543,000	217,000		
Loose Sand		Submerged	5,430	5,430		
Loose Sand	;	Above Water Table	6,790	6,790		
Med Dense Sand		Submerged	16,300	16,300		
Med Dense Sand		Above Water Table	24,430	24,430		
Dense Sand		Submerged	33,900	33,900		
Dense Sand		Above Water Table	61,000	61,000		

- STEP 6 Determine the critical loading combinations and boundary conditions to be analyzed.
  - a. For each critical set of loading combination, determine the axial loads, lateral loads, and bending moments to be analyzed. Load information should be supplied by the structural engineer.
  - b. Determine if lateral load is distributed.
  - c. Determine if loading is static or cyclic.
  - d. Determine pile head restraint: free, fixed or partially fixed.
- STEP 7 Determine pile structural acceptability by finding the ultimate lateral load that produces a plastic hinge (ultimate bending moment).
  - a. In this step the lateral, axial and bending moments used in the analysis should be ultimate values.
  - b. For concrete piles, the value of I for a cracked section can be determined directly for each loading step by using the subroutine PMEIX, through identification of the properties and configuration of the steel reinforcement. Alternatively, variations in E and I can be entered as a function of depth along the pile.
- STEP 8 Determine pile acceptability based on deflection under service loads.
  - a. Use design loading conditions and not ultimate values for lateral and axial loads and bending moments.
  - b. Compare COM624P predicted movement with performance criteria.
- STEP 9 Optimize required pile section and pile penetration depth for lateral loading conditions to meet performance criteria as necessary.

## 9.8 DESIGN OF PILE GROUPS

The previous sections of this chapter dealt with design procedures for single piles. However piles for almost all highway structures are installed in groups, due to the heavy foundation loads. The next sections of this chapter will address the foundation design procedures for evaluating the axial compression capacity of pile groups as well as the settlement of pile groups under axial compression loads. The axial compression capacity and settlement of pile groups are interrelated and are therefore presented in sequence. Sections covering the design of pile groups for uplift and lateral load capacity will be presented following the axial compression capacity and settlement of pile group sections.

The efficiency of a pile group is defined as the ratio of the ultimate capacity of the group to the sum of the ultimate capacities of the individual piles comprising the group. This may be expressed in equation form as:

$$\eta_{g} = \frac{Q_{ug}}{n Q_{u}}$$

Where:

 $\eta_{a}$ 

= Pile group efficiency.

 $Q_{uq}$  = Ultimate capacity of the pile group.

n = Number of piles in the pile group.

 $Q_u$  = Ultimate capacity of each individual pile in the pile group.

If piles are driven into compressible cohesive soil or in dense cohesionless material underlain by compressible soil, then the ultimate axial compression capacity of a pile group may be less than that of the sum of the ultimate axial compression capacities of the individual piles. In this case, the pile group has a group efficiency of less than 1. In cohesionless soils, the ultimate axial compression capacities of the individual piles soils, the ultimate axial compression capacities of the individual piles comprising the group. In this case, the pile group has a group efficiency greater than 1.

The settlement of a pile group is likely to be many times greater than the settlement of an individual pile carrying the same load per pile as each pile in the pile group. Figure 9.38(a) illustrates that for a single pile, only a small zone of soil around and below the pile toe is subjected to vertical stress. Figure 9.38(b) illustrates that for a pile group, a considerable depth of soil around and below the pile group is stressed. The settlement of the pile group may be large, depending on the compressibility of the soils within the stressed zone.

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Figure 9.38 Stress Zone from Single Pile and Pile Group (after Tomlinson, 1994)

The soil medium supporting a pile group is also subject to overlapping stress zones from individual piles in the group. The overlapping effect of stress zones for a pile group supported by shaft resistance is illustrated in Figure 9.39.

# 9.8.1 Axial Compression Capacity of Pile Groups

# 9.8.1.1 Pile Group Capacity in Cohesionless Soils

In cohesionless soils, the ultimate group capacity of driven piles with a center to center spacing of less than 3 pile diameters is greater than the sum of the ultimate capacity of the individual piles. The greater group capacity is due to the overlap of individual soil compaction zones near the pile, which increases shaft resistance. Piles in groups at spacings greater than three times the average pile diameter generally act as individual piles.

Design recommendations for estimating group capacity for driven piles in cohesionless soil are as follows:

- 1. The ultimate group capacity for driven piles in cohesionless soils not underlain by a weak deposit may be taken as the sum of the individual ultimate pile capacities, provided jetting or predrilling was not used in the pile installation process. Jetting or predrilling can result in group efficiencies less than 1. Therefore, jetting or predrilling should be avoided whenever possible and controlled by detailed specifications when necessary.
- 2. If a pile group founded in a firm bearing stratum of limited thickness is underlain by a weak deposit, then the ultimate group capacity is the smaller value of either the sum of the ultimate capacities of the individual piles, or the group capacity against block failure of an equivalent pier, consisting of the pile group and enclosed soil mass punching through the firm stratum into the underlying weak soil. From a practical standpoint, block failure can only occur when the center to center pile spacing is less than 2 pile diameters, which is less than the minimum center to center spacing of 2.5 diameters allowed by AASHTO code (1994). The method shown for cohesive soils in the Section 9.8.1.3 may be used to evaluate the possibility of a block failure.
- 3. Piles in groups should not be installed at center to center spacings less than 3 times the average pile diameter. A minimum center to center spacing of 3 diameters is recommended to optimize group capacity and minimize installation problems.



Figure 9.39 Overlap of Stress Zones for Group of Friction Piles (after Bowles, 1988)

# 9.8.1.2 Pile Group Capacity in Cohesive Soils

In the absence of negative shaft resistance, the group capacity in cohesive soil is usually governed by the sum of the ultimate capacities of the individual piles, with some reduction due to overlapping zones of shear deformation in the surrounding soil. AASHTO (1993) code states that the group capacity is influenced by whether the pile cap is in firm contact with the ground. If the pile cap is in firm contact with the group act as a unit.

The following design recommendations are for estimating ultimate pile group capacity in cohesive soils. The lesser of the ultimate pile group capacity, calculated from Steps 1 to 4, should be used.

- 1. For pile groups driven in clays with undrained shear strengths of less than 95 kPa and the pile cap not in firm contact with the ground, a group efficiency of 0.7 should be used for center to center pile spacings of 3 times the average pile diameter. If the center to center pile spacing is greater than 6 times the average pile diameter, then a group efficiency of 1.0 may be used. Linear interpolation should be used for intermediate center to center pile spacings.
- 2. For piles in clays with undrained shear strengths less than 95 kPa, and the pile cap in firm contact with the ground, a group efficiency of 1.0 may be used.
- 3. For pile groups in clays with undrained shear strength in excess of 95 kPa, a group efficiency of 1.0 may be used regardless of the pile cap ground contact.
- 4. Calculate the ultimate pile group capacity against block failure using the procedure described in Section 9.8.1.3.
- 5. Piles in cohesive soils should not be installed at center to center pile spacings less than 3.0 times the average pile diameter and not less than 1 meter.

It is important to note that the driving of pile groups in cohesive soils can generate large excess pore water pressures. This can result in short term (1 to 2 months after installation) group efficiencies on the order of 0.4 to 0.8. As these excess pore pressures dissipate, the pile group efficiency will increase. Figure 9.40 presents observations on the dissipation of excess pore water pressure versus time for pile groups driven in cohesive soils. Depending

upon the group size, the excess pore pressures typically dissipate within 1 to 2 months after driving. However, in very large groups, full pore pressure dissipation may take up to a year.

If a pile group will experience the full group load shortly after construction, the foundation designer must evaluate the reduced group capacity that may be available for load support. In these cases, piezometers should be installed to monitor pore pressure dissipation with time. Effective stress capacity calculations can then be used to determine if the increase in pile group capacity versus time during construction meets the load support requirements.



Figure 9.40 Measured Dissipation of Excess Pore Water Pressure in Soil Surrounding Full Scale Pile Groups (after O'Neill, 1983)

### 9.8.1.3 Block Failure of Pile Groups

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Block failure of pile groups is generally only a design consideration for pile groups in soft cohesive soils or in cohesionless soils underlain by a weak cohesive layer. For a pile group in cohesive soil as shown in Figure 9.41, the ultimate capacity of the pile group against a block failure is provided by the following expression:

 $Q_{ug} = 2D (B + Z) c_{u1} + B Z c_{u2} N_c$ 

Where:  $Q_{\mu\alpha}$  = Ultimate group capacity against block failure.

= Embedded length of piles.

B = Width of pile group.

- Z = Length of pile group.
- $c_{u1}$  = Weighted average of the undrained shear strength over the depth of pile embedment for the cohesive soils along the pile group perimeter.
- $c_{u2}$  = Average undrained shear strength of the cohesive soils at the base of the pile group to a depth of 2B below pile toe level.
- $N_c$  = Bearing capacity factor.

If a pile group will experience the full group load shortly after construction, the ultimate group capacity against block failure should be calculated using the remolded or a reduced shear strength rather than the average undrained shear strength for  $c_{u1}$ .

The bearing capacity factor,  $N_c$ , for a rectangular pile group is generally 9. However, for pile groups with small pile embedment depths and/or large widths,  $N_c$  should be calculated from the following equation.

$$N_{c} = 5 \left[1 + \frac{D}{5B}\right] \left[1 + \frac{B}{5Z}\right] \le 9$$

When evaluating possible block failure of pile groups in cohesionless soils underlain by a weak cohesive deposit, the weighted average unit shaft resistance for the cohesionless soils should be substituted for  $c_{u1}$  in calculating the ultimate group capacity. The pile group base strength determined from the second part of the ultimate group capacity equation should be calculated using the strength of the underlying weaker layer.



Figure 9.41 Three Dimensional Pile Group Configuration (after Tomlinson, 1994)

## 9.8.2 Settlement of Pile Groups

Pile groups supported in and underlain by cohesionless soils will produce only immediate settlements. This means the settlements will occur immediately as the pile group is loaded. Pile groups supported in and underlain by cohesive soils may produce both immediate settlements and consolidation settlements that occur over a period of time. In highly over-consolidated clays, the majority of the foundation settlement will occur immediately. Consolidation settlements will generally be the major source of foundation settlement in normally consolidated clays.

Methods for estimating settlement of pile groups are provided in the following sections. Methods for estimating single pile settlements are not provided because piles are usually installed in groups.

## 9.8.2.1 Elastic Compression of Piles

The pile group settlement methods discussed in the following sections only consider soil settlements and do not include the settlement caused by elastic compression of pile material due to the imposed axial load. Therefore, the elastic compression should also be computed and this settlement added to the group settlement estimates of soil settlement. The elastic compression can be computed by the following expression:

$$\Delta = \frac{Q_a L}{A E}$$

Where:  $\Delta$  = Elastic compression of pile material, (mm).

 $Q_a = Design axial load in pile, (kN).$ 

L = Length of pile (mm).

A = Pile cross sectional area  $(m^2)$ .

E = Modulus of elasticity of pile material, (kPa).

The modulus of elasticity for steel piles is 207,000 MPa. For concrete piles, the modulus of elasticity varies with concrete compressive strength and is generally on the order of 27800 MPa. The elastic compression of short piles is usually quite small and can often be neglected in design.

#### 9.8.2.2 Settlements of Pile Groups in Cohesionless Soils

#### 9.8.2.2a Method Based on SPT Test Data

Meyerhof (1976) recommended that the settlement of a pile group in a homogeneous sand deposit not underlain by a more compressible soil at a greater depth may be conservatively estimated by the following expression:

s = 
$$\frac{0.96 p_f \sqrt{B} l_f}{\overline{N}'}$$

For silty sand, use: 
$$s = \frac{1.92 p_f \sqrt{B} l_f}{\overline{N}'}$$

Where: s	<ul> <li>Estimated total settlement (</li> </ul>	mm).
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- p<sub>f</sub> = Design foundation pressure (kPa). Group design load divided by group area.
- B = Width of pile group (m).
- $\overline{N}'$  = Average corrected SPT N' value within a depth B below pile toe level.
- D = Pile embedment depth, (m).
- $I_f$  = Influence factor for group embedment = 1 [D / 8B]  $\ge$  0.5.

For piles in cohesionless soils underlain by cohesive deposits, the method presented in Sections 9.8.2.4 should be used.

#### 9.8.2.2b Method Based on CPT Test Data

Meyerhof (1976) recommended the following relationship to estimate maximum settlements using cone penetration test results for saturated cohesionless soils.

s = 
$$\frac{42 p_f B l_f}{\overline{q_c}}$$

Where: s, p<sub>f</sub>, B, and I<sub>f</sub> are as defined in the previous method, and

 $\overline{q_c}$  = Average static cone tip resistance (kPa) within a depth of B below the pile toe level.

## 9.8.2.3 Settlement of Pile Groups in Cohesive Soils

Terzaghi and Peck (1967) proposed that pile group settlements could be evaluated using an equivalent footing situated at a depth of 1/3 D above the pile toe. This concept is illustrated in Figure 9.42. For a pile group consisting of only vertical piles, the equivalent footing has a plan area (B)(Z) that corresponds to the perimeter dimensions of the pile group as shown in Figure 9.41. The pile group load over this plan area is then the bearing pressure transferred to the soil through the equivalent footing. The load is assumed to spread within the frustum of a pyramid of side slopes at 30° and to cause uniform additional vertical pressure at lower levels. The pressure at any level is equal to the load carried by the group divided by the plan area of the base of the frustum at that level. Consolidation settlements are calculated based on the pressure increase in the underlying layers.

Consolidation settlements of cohesive soils are usually computed on the basis of laboratory tests. A typical plot of consolidation test results illustrating the relationships of the compression indices  $C_c$  and  $C_{cr}$  to void ratio, e, and pressure, p, are shown in Figure 9.43. For pressure increases less than the preconsolidation pressure,  $p_c$ , settlement is computed using a value of the compression index representing recompression,  $C_{cr}$ . For pressure increases greater than the preconsolidation pressure, settlement is computed using the compression index,  $C_c$ .

The following three equations are used to calculate settlements of cohesive soils depending upon the pressure increase and whether the soil is overconsolidated or normally consolidated. The terms used in these equations are as follows:

- s = Total settlement, (mm).
- H = Original thickness of stratum, (mm).
- $C_{cr}$  = Recompression index.
- $e_0 =$ Initial void ratio.
- p<sub>o</sub> = Effective overburden pressure at midpoint of compressible stratum prior to pressure increase, (kPa).
- $p_c$  = Estimated preconsolidation pressure, (kPa).
- $C_c$  = Compression index.
- $\Delta p$  = Average change in pressure in the compressible stratum, (kPa).



Figure 9.42 Equivalent Footing Concept



Figure 9.43 Typical e-log p Curve from Laboratory Consolidation Test

For overconsolidated cohesive soils where the pressure after the foundation pressure increase is greater than the soil preconsolidation pressure, settlements may be computed as follows:

s = H 
$$\left[\frac{C_{cr}}{1+e_0} \log \frac{p_c}{p_o}\right]$$
 + H  $\left[\frac{C_c}{1+e_0} \log \frac{p_o+\Delta p}{p_c}\right]$ 

For overconsolidated cohesive soils where the pressure after the foundation pressure increase is less than the soil preconsolidation pressure, settlements should be computed using the following equation:

s = H 
$$\left[ \frac{C_{cr}}{1+e_0} \log \frac{p_0 + \Delta p}{p_0} \right]$$

For normally consolidated cohesive soils, settlements should be computed from:

s = H 
$$\left[\frac{C_c}{1+e_0} \log \frac{p_o + \Delta p}{p_o}\right]$$

Rather than fixing the equivalent footing at a depth of 1/3 D above the pile toe for all soil conditions, the depth of the equivalent footing should be adjusted based upon soil stratigraphy and load transfer mechanism to the soil. Figure 9.44 presents the recommended location of the equivalent footing for a variety of load transfer and soil resistance conditions.



- (3) For relatively rigid pile cap, pressure distribution is assumed to vary with depth as above.
- (4) For flexible slab or group of small separate caps, compute pressures by elastic solutions.
- Figure 9.44 Pressure Distribution Below Equivalent Footing for Pile Group (adapted from Cheney and Chassie, 1993)

# STEP BY STEP PROCEDURE FOR PILE GROUP SETTLEMENT IN COHESIVE SOILS

STEP 1 Determine the new load imposed on soil by the pile group.

- a. Determine the location of the equivalent footing. For pile groups supported primarily by toe resistance, the equivalent footing is placed at the pile toe as illustrated in Figure 9.44(a). For pile groups supported primarily by shaft resistance, the equivalent footing is placed at a depth of <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> D as shown in Figure 9.44(b).
- b. Determine the dimensions of the equivalent footing. For pile groups consisting only of vertical piles, the equivalent footing (unless modified for load transfer as in Figure 9.44(b)) has the same dimensions as the length and width of the pile group from Figure 9.41. For pile groups supported primarily by shaft resistance that include batter piles, the plan area of the footing should be calculated from the dimensions of the pile group at depth <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> D, including the plan area increase due to the pile batter. For toe bearing groups with batter piles, the equivalent footing area should be the dimensions of the pile group at depth D, including the pile group at depth D.
- c. Determine the pressure distribution to soil layers below the equivalent footing up to the depth at which the pressure increase from the equivalent footing is less than 10% of existing effective overburden pressure at that depth. Remember that the equivalent footing size may be increased and the footing pressure correspondingly reduced as a result of load transfer above the footing location or in groups with batter piles. The depth at which the pressure increase is less than 10% will provide the total thickness of cohesive soil layer or layers to be used in performing settlement computations. Note that the group design load should be used in determining the pressure distribution for settlement computations, and not the ultimate group load.
- d. Divide the cohesive soil layers in the affected pressure increase zone into several thinner layers of 1.5 to 3 meter thickness. The thickness of each layer is the thickness H for the settlement computation for that layer.
- e. Determine the existing effective overburden pressure,  $p_o$ , at midpoint of each layer.

- f. Determine the imposed pressure increase, Δp, at midpoint of each affected soil layer based on the appropriate pressure distribution.
- STEP 2 Determine consolidation test parameters.

Plot results of consolidation test(s) as shown in Figure 9.43. Determine  $p_c$ ,  $e_o$ ,  $C_{cr}$  and  $C_c$  values from the consolidation test data.

STEP 3 Compute settlements.

Using the appropriate settlement equation, compute the settlement of each affected soil layer. Sum the settlements of all layers to obtain the total estimated soil settlement from the pile group. Add the elastic compression of the pile under the design load to obtain the total estimated pile group settlement.

### 9.8.2.4 Settlement of Pile Groups in Layered Soils

Piles are often installed in a layered soil profile consisting of cohesionless and cohesive soils or in soil profiles where an underlying soil stratum of different consistency is affected by the pile group loading. In these cases, group settlement will be influenced by the pressure increase in and compressibility of the affected layers. Figures 9.44(a), 9.44(c) and 9.44(d) may be used to determine the location of the equivalent footing and to evaluate the resulting pressure increase in a soil layer. The settlement of each layer is then calculated using the appropriate settlement equation presented in Section 9.8.2.3 for cohesive layers and from the following equation for cohesionless layers.

$$s = H \left[\frac{1}{C'} \log \frac{p_o + \Delta p}{p_o}\right]$$

Where:

S

- = Total layer settlement, (mm).
- H = Original thickness of layer, (mm).
- C' = Dimensionless bearing capacity index from Figure 9.45, determined from average corrected SPT N' value,  $\overline{N}$ ', for layer with consideration of SPT hammer type.
- p<sub>o</sub> = Effective overburden pressure at midpoint of layer prior to pressure increase, (kPa).
- $\Delta p$  = Average change in pressure in the layer, (kPa).



gure 9.45 Values of the Bearing Capacity Index, C', for Granular Soil (modified after Cheney and Chassie, 1993).

Cheney and Chassie (1993) report that FHWA experience with this method indicates the method is usually conservative and can overestimate settlements by a factor of 2. This conservatism is attributed to the use of the original bearing capacity index chart from Hough (1959) which was based upon SPT donut hammer data. Based upon average energy variations between SPT donut and safety hammers reported in technical literature, Figure 9.45 now includes a correlation between SPT N values from a safety hammer and bearing capacity index. This modification should improve the accuracy of settlement estimates with this method.

# STEP BY STEP PROCEDURE FOR GROUP SETTLEMENT IN LAYERED SOIL PROFILES

- STEP 1 Determine the new load imposed on soil by the pile group.
  - a. Determine the location of the equivalent footing. For pile groups supported primarily by toe resistance, the equivalent footing is placed at the pile toe as illustrated in Figure 9.44(a). For pile groups supported primarily by shaft resistance in sands underlain by cohesive soils, the equivalent footing is placed at a depth of <sup>8</sup>/<sub>9</sub> D as shown in Figure 9.44(c). For pile groups in layered soils supported by a combination of shaft and toe resistance, the equivalent footing is placed at <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> D as shown in Figure 9.44(d).
  - b. Determine the dimensions of the equivalent footing. For pile groups consisting only of vertical piles, the equivalent footing (unless modified for load transfer as in Figures 9.44(c) and 9.44(d)) has the same dimensions as the length and width of the pile group from Figure 9.41. For pile groups supported primarily by shaft resistance that include batter piles, the plan area of the footing should be calculated from the dimensions of the pile group at the equivalent footing depth that includes the plan area increase due to the pile batter. For toe bearing groups with batter piles, the equivalent footing area should be calculated from the dimensions of the pile group at depth D, including the plan area increase due to the pile batter.
  - c. Determine the pressure distribution to soil layers below the equivalent footing up to the depth at which the pressure increase from the equivalent footing is less than 10% of existing effective overburden pressure at that depth. Remember that the equivalent footing size may be increased and the footing

pressure correspondingly reduced as a result of load transfer above the footing location or in groups with batter piles. The depth at which the pressure increase is less than 10% will provide the total thickness of soil to be evaluated in the settlement computations. Note that the group design load should be used in determining the pressure distribution for settlement computations, and not the ultimate group capacity.

- d. Divide the soil layers in the affected pressure increase zone into several thinner layers of 1.5 to 3 meter thickness. The thickness of each layer is the thickness H for the settlement computation for that layer.
- e. Determine the existing effective overburden pressure,  $p_o$ , at midpoint of each soil layer.
- f. Determine the imposed pressure increase,  $\Delta p$ , at midpoint of each affected soil layer based on the appropriate pressure distribution.
- STEP 2 Determine consolidation test parameters for each cohesive layer.

Plot results of consolidation test(s) as shown in Figure 9.43. Determine  $p_c$ ,  $e_o$ ,  $C_{cr}$  and  $C_c$  values from the consolidation test data.

STEP 3 Determine bearing capacity index for each cohesionless layer.

Determine the average corrected SPT N' value,  $\overline{N}$ ', for each cohesionless layer. Use  $\overline{N}$ ' for the appropriate SPT hammer type in Figure 9.45 to obtain the bearing capacity index for each layer.

STEP 4 Compute settlements.

Using the appropriate settlement equation, compute the settlement of each affected soil layer. Sum the settlements of all layers to obtain the total estimated soil settlement from the pile group. Add the elastic compression of the pile under the design load to obtain the total estimated pile group settlement.

# 9.8.2.5 Settlement of Pile Groups Using the Janbu Tangent Modulus Approach

The previous methods of group settlement analyses assume a linear relationship between induced stress and soil strain. However in most soils, a non-linear relationship exists between stress and strain. Figure 9.46 illustrates that a stress increase at a small original stress will result in a larger strain than the same stress increase applied at a greater original stress.

Janbu (1963, 1965) proposed a tangent modulus approach that is referenced in the Canadian Foundation Engineering Manual (1985). In this method, the stress strain relationship of soils is expressed in terms of a dimensionless modulus number, m, and a stress exponent, j. Values of the modulus number can be determined from conventional laboratory triaxial or oedometer tests. The stress exponent, j, can generally be taken as 0.5 for cohesionless soils and 0 for cohesive soils.



Figure 9.46 The Non-Linear Relation Between Stress and Strain in Soil (after Fellenius, 1990)

The following four equations are used to calculate the strain for normally and over consolidated, cohesionless and cohesive soils. The terms used in these four equations are as follows:

- $\epsilon$  = Strain from the increase in effective stress.
- m<sub>n</sub> = Dimensionless modulus number.
- m<sub>nr</sub> = Dimensionless recompression modulus number.
- = Stress exponent.
- $\sigma'_1$  = New effective stress after stress increase, (kPa).
- $\sigma_{o}$  = Original effective stress prior to stress increase, (kPa).
- $\sigma'_{p}$  = Preconsolidation stress, (kPa).
- $\sigma_r$  = Constant reference stress = 100 kPa.

For normally consolidated cohesionless soils, the strain induced by an increase in effective stress may be expressed as follows:

$$\epsilon = \frac{1}{m_{n} j} \left[ \left( \frac{\sigma_{1}}{\sigma_{r}} \right)^{j} - \left( \frac{\sigma_{o}}{\sigma_{r}} \right)^{j} \right]$$

For over consolidated cohesionless soils, the following equation should be used to calculate the strain induced by an increase in effective stress:

$$\epsilon = \frac{1}{m_{n} j} \left[ \left( \frac{\sigma'_{1}}{\sigma_{r}} \right)^{j} - \left( \frac{\sigma'_{p}}{\sigma_{r}} \right)^{j} \right] + \frac{1}{m_{nr} j} \left[ \left( \frac{\sigma'_{p}}{\sigma_{r}} \right)^{j} - \left( \frac{\sigma'_{o}}{\sigma_{r}} \right)^{j} \right]$$

For cohesive soils, the stress exponent is zero, j=0. The strain induced by an increase in effective stress in a normally consolidated cohesive soil is then as follows:

$$\epsilon = \frac{1}{m_n} \ln \left[ \left( \frac{\sigma'_1}{\sigma'_o} \right) \right]$$

For over consolidated cohesive soils, the following equation should be used to calculate the strain induced by an increase in effective stress:

$$\epsilon = \frac{1}{m_{nr}} \ln \left[ \left( \frac{\sigma'_p}{\sigma'_o} \right) \right] + \frac{1}{m_n} \ln \left[ \left( \frac{\sigma'_1}{\sigma'_p} \right) \right]$$

In cohesionless soils, the modulus number can be calculated from the soil modulus of elasticity,  $E_s$  (kPa), and the previously described terms using the following equation:

$$m_n = \frac{E_s}{5\left[\sqrt{\sigma'_1} + \sqrt{\sigma'_o}\right]}$$

In cohesive soils, the modulus number,  $m_n$ , or recompression modulus number,  $m_{nr}$ , can be calculated from the initial void ratio,  $e_o$ , and the compression index,  $C_c$ , or recompression index,  $C_{cr}$ . The modulus number is calculated from:

$$m_n = 2.30 \left[ \frac{1 + e_0}{C_c} \right]$$

The recompression modulus number,  $m_{nr}$ , is calculated by substituting the recompression index,  $C_{cr}$ , for the compression index,  $C_{c}$ , in the above equation.

The Janbu tangent modulus approach is quite adaptable to calculating pile group settlements in any soil profile. For reference purposes, typical and normally conservative modulus number and stress exponent values from the Canadian Foundation Engineering Manual (1985) are presented in Table 9-14. These values may be useful for preliminary settlement estimates. A step by step procedure for this method follows.

TABLE 9-14 TYPICAL MODULUS AND STRESS EXPONENT VALUES						
Soil Type	Consistency	Range in Modulus Number	Stress Exponent			
Glacial Till	Very Dense to Dense	1000 - 300	1.0			
Gravel		400 - 40	0.5			
Sand	Dense	400 - 250	0.5			
Sand	Medium Dense	250 - 150	0.5			
Sand	Loose	150 - 100	0.5			
Silt	Dense	200 -80	0.5			
Silt	Medium Dense	80 - 60	0.5			
Silt	Loose	60 - 40	0.5			
Silty Clay & Clayey Silt	Hard - Stiff	60 - 20	0			
Silty Clay & Clayey Silt	Stiff - Firm	20 - 10	0			
Silty Clay & Clayey Silt	Soft	10 - 5	0			
Marine Clay	Soft	20 - 5	0			
Organic Clay	Soft	20 - 5	0			
Peat		5 - 1	0			

# STEP BY STEP PROCEDURE FOR PILE GROUP SETTLEMENT BY JANBU METHOD

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- e. Determine the existing effective stress,  $\sigma'_{o}$ , at midpoint of each soil layer.
- f. Determine the preconsolidation stress,  $\sigma'_{p}$ , at the midpoint of each soil layer and whether the soil layer is overconsolidated or normally consolidated.
- g. Determine the new effective stress,  $\sigma'_1$ , at midpoint of each affected soil layer based on the equivalent footing pressure distribution.

STEP 2 Determine modulus number and stress exponent for each soil layer.

Use laboratory test data to compute modulus number for each layer. Preliminary settlement estimates can be made by using assumed modulus numbers based on soil type as indicated in Table 9-14.

STEP 3 Select the appropriate strain computation equation for each layer.

Select the strain equation applicable to each layer depending upon whether the soil layer is cohesive or cohesionless, and overconsolidated or normally consolidated.

#### STEP 4 Compute settlements.

Using the appropriate strain computation equation, compute the settlement, s, of each affected soil layer of thickness, H from:  $s = (\epsilon)(H)$ . Sum the settlements of all layers to obtain the total estimated soil settlement from the pile group. Add the elastic compression of the pile under the design load to obtain the total estimated pile group settlement.

# 9.8.2.6 Settlement of Pile Groups Using the Neutral Plane Method

As the previous sections demonstrate, most of the group settlement methods select the depth of the equivalent footing based upon the assumed load transfer behavior. A preferred solution is to determine the depth of the neutral plane, and place the equivalent footing at or below the neutral plane location. The neutral plane occurs at the depth where the group dead load plus the load from negative shaft resistance is equal to the positive shaft resistance plus the toe resistance. The design should aim to locate the neutral plane in competent soils. When this is done, group settlements are usually well within acceptable limits.

The position of the neutral plane and the resulting negative shaft resistance can be determined from a static calculation. As previously stated, the neutral plane is the depth at which the sum of dead load on the pile plus the negative shaft resistance is equal to the positive shaft plus the toe resistance. Above the neutral plane, the settlement of the soil is greater than the settlement of the pile. Any shaft resistance above the neutral plane is negative shaft resistance, since by definition the soil settlement is greater than the pile settlement. Therefore, the soil settlement transfers load to the pile. Below the neutral plane, the settlement of the soil is less than the settlement of the pile and load is transferred from the pile to the soil. Therefore, pile settlement is controlled by the soil compressibility below the neutral plane.

The following step by step procedure adapted from Goudreault and Fellenius (1994) is recommended for determination of the neutral plane.

## STEP BY STEP PROCEDURE FOR DETERMINING THE NEUTRAL PLANE DEPTH

STEP 1 Perform a static capacity calculation.

- a. Determine the ultimate pile capacity, Q<sub>u</sub>, from a static capacity calculation.
- b. Plot the load transfer versus depth by subtracting the shaft resistance at a given depth from the ultimate capacity. This computation is identified as Curve A in Figure 9.47.



- STEP 2 Determine the load transfer to the pile above the neutral plane.
  - a. Determine the pile dead load, Q<sub>d</sub>.
  - b. Plot the load transfer to the pile versus depth by adding the shaft resistance at a given depth to the dead load. This computation is labeled as Curve B in Figure 9.47.
- STEP 3 Determine the depth of the neutral plane.
  - a. The depth where Curves A and B intersect is the depth of the neutral plane.
  - b. The location of the neutral plane will move if the dead load is changed or the soil resistance versus depth is altered. Hence, design or construction decisions altering the dead load, or soil resistance versus depth, will require reevaluation of the neutral plane location under the changed conditions. Preaugering, jetting, use of bitumen coatings, *etc.* are but a few of the factors that can change the soil resistance versus depth and thus the neutral plane location.

Goudreault and Fellenius (1994) note that the magnitude of group settlement between the neutral plane and the pile toe level is generally small. This is because the piles below the neutral plane act as reinforcing elements and the compression of the pile-reinforced soil is small. Therefore, for most cases they recommend calculating the pile group settlements based on locating the neutral plane at the pile toe.

The group load is distributed below the neutral plane at a slope of 1H:2V. As in the previous methods, the soil materials below the equivalent footing at the neutral plane and the depth where the pressure increase is less than 10% should be evaluated for settlement. Group settlements are generally calculated based upon the pressure increase and the resulting strain as presented for the Janbu method in Section 9.8.2.5. However, the methods presented for layered soils in Section 9.8.2.4 could also be used.
# 9.8.3 Uplift Capacity of Pile Groups

The uplift capacity of a pile group is often a significant factor in determining the minimum pile penetration requirements and in some cases can control the foundation design. A few common conditions where group uplift capacity may significantly influence the foundation design include cofferdam seals that create large buoyancy forces, cantilever segmental bridge construction, and seismic, vessel impact, or debris loading. When piles with uplift loads are driven to a relatively shallow bearing stratum, uplift capacity may control the foundation design. Current AASHTO specifications (1994) for the determination of group uplift capacity are presented in Section 9.8.3.1. The AASHTO specifications for group uplift capacity are considered relatively conservative, particularly in cohesionless soils.

In cohesionless soils, Tomlinson's method presented in Section 9.8.3.2 will yield higher group uplift capacities than AASHTO specifications and is recommended for design. Both AASHTO specifications and Tomlinson's method limit the group uplift capacity to the uplift capacity of an individual pile times the number of piles in the group. In the event this limit controls the group uplift capacity, an uplift load test may be cost effective and should be considered. With an uplift load test, a reduced safety factor is used to determine the uplift capacity. This should result in higher individual and group uplift capacities.

In cohesive soils, Tomlinson's method will yield similar results to AASHTO specifications. In the event the uplift capacity of an individual pile times the number of piles in the group limits the group uplift capacity, an uplift load test may again be cost effective and should be considered since an increase in the group uplift capacity would likely result.

# 9.8.3.1 Group Uplift Capacity by AASHTO Code

AASHTO specifications (1994) for service load design limit the uplift capacity of a pile group to the lesser value determined from any of the following:

- 1. the design uplift capacity of a single pile times the number of piles in a pile group. The design uplift capacity of a single pile is specified as 1/3 the ultimate shaft resistance calculated in a static analysis method, or 1/2 the failure load determined from an uplift load test.
- 2. <sup>3</sup>/<sub>3</sub> the effective weight of the pile group and the soil contained within a block defined by the perimeter of the pile group and the embedded length of the piles.

3. <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> the effective weight of the pile group and the soil contained within a block defined by the perimeter of the pile group and the embedded pile length plus <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> the total soil shear resistance on the peripheral surface of the pile group.

# 9.8.3.2 Tomlinson Group Uplift Method

Tomlinson (1994) states that the ultimate uplift capacity of a pile group in cohesionless soils may be conservatively taken as the effective weight of the block of soil extending upward from the pile toe level at a slope of 1H:4V, as shown in Figure 9.48. For simplicity in performing the calculation, the weight of the piles within the soil block are considered equal to the weight of the soil. Tomlinson states that a factor of safety of 1 is acceptable in this calculation since the shear resistance around the perimeter of the group is ignored in the calculation. Tomlinson also recommended that the ultimate group uplift capacity determined from this calculation not exceed the sum of the ultimate uplift capacities of the individual piles comprising the pile group divided by an appropriate safety factor. It is recommended that a factor of safety of 2 be used if the ultimate uplift capacity of an individual pile is determined from an uplift load test and a factor of safety of 3 be used if based on the shaft resistance from a static calculation.

For pile groups in cohesive soils as shown in Figure 9.49, Tomlinson recommends the group uplift capacity be calculated based upon the undrained shear resistance of the block of soil enclosed by the group plus the effective weight of the pile cap and pile-soil block. This may be expressed in equation form as:

$$Q_{ug} = 2D (B + Z) C_{u1} + W_{g}$$

Where:

- $Q_{ug}$  = Ultimate group capacity against block failure in uplift, (kN).
  - D = Embedded length of piles, (m).
  - B = Width of pile group, (m).
  - Z = Length of pile group, (m).
  - c<sub>u1</sub> = Weighted average of the undrained shear strength over the depth of pile embedment along the pile group perimeter, (kPa).

 $W_g$  = Effective weight the pile/soil block including the pile cap weight, (kN).





Tomlinson states that a factor of safety of 2 should be used with this calculation to allow for possible weakening of the soil around the pile group as a result of the pile group installation. If long term sustained uplift loading is anticipated, a factor of safety of 2.5 to 3 is recommended. Tomlinson also recommends that the ultimate group uplift capacity determined from this calculation not exceed the sum of the ultimate uplift capacities of the individual piles comprising the pile group divided by an appropriate factor of safety. It is recommended that a factor of safety of 2 be used if the ultimate uplift capacity of an individual pile is determined from an uplift load test, and a factor of safety of 3 be used if based on the shaft resistance from a static calculation.

## 9.8.4 Lateral Capacity of Pile Groups

The ability of a pile group to resist lateral loads from vessel impact, debris, wind, or wave loading, seismic events, and other sources is a significant design issue. The deflection of a pile group under a lateral load is typically 2 to 3 times larger than the deflection of a single pile loaded to the same intensity. Holloway *et al.* (1981), and Brown *et al.* (1988) reported that piles in trailing rows of pile groups have significantly less resistance to a lateral load than piles in the lead row, and therefore exhibit greater deflections. This is due to the pile-soil-pile interaction that takes place in a pile group. The pile-soil-pile interaction results in the lateral capacity of a pile group being less than the sum of the lateral capacities of the individual piles comprising the group. Hence, laterally loaded pile groups have a group efficiency of less than 1.

The lateral capacity of an individual pile in a pile group is a function of its position in the group and the center to center pile spacing. Brown *et al.* (1988) proposed a p-multiplier,  $P_m$ , be used to modify the p-y curve of an individual pile based upon the piles row position. An illustration of the p-multiplier concept is presented in Figure 9.50. For piles in a given row, the same  $P_m$  value is applied to all p-y curves along the length of the pile. In a lateral load test of a 3 by 3 pile group in very dense sand with a center to center pile spacing of 3b, Brown found the leading row of piles had a  $P_m$  of 0.8 times that of an individual pile. The  $P_m$  values for the middle and back row of the group were 0.4 and 0.3, respectively.



Figure 9.50 Illustration of p-multiplier Concept for Lateral Group Analysis

McVay, *et al.* (1995) performed centrifuge model tests on a 3 by 3 pile group having center to center pile spacings of 3b and 5b. A dense and loose sand condition were simulated in the centrifuge model tests. For the dense sand case at a center to center spacing of 3b, the centrifuge model test results were similar to Brown's field results. However, McVay also found that the  $P_m$  values were influenced by soil density and the center to center spacing. The  $P_m$  results from McVay's centrifuge tests as well as other recent results for vertical piles in 3 x 3 pile groups are summarized in Table 9-15. McVay's centrifuge tests indicated lateral load group efficiencies in sands on the order of 0.74 for a center to center pile of 3b and 0.93 for a center to center spacing of 5b. Field studies in cohesive soils have also shown that pile-soil-pile interaction occurs. Brown *et al.* (1987) reported  $P_m$  values of 0.7, 0.5, and 0.4 for the lead, second, and third row of a laterally loaded pile group in stiff clays.

The most recent work on this topic has included full scale lateral load testing of a 16 pile group in loose sand by Ruesta and Townsend (1997), and a 9 pile group in clayey silt by Rollins *et al.* (1998). A scaled model study of a cyclically laterally loaded pile group in medium clay has also been reported by Moss (1997). The center to center pile spacing, P<sub>m</sub> results, and pile head deflections reported in these studies are included in Table 9-15. NCHRP Project 24-09 entitled "Static and Dynamic Lateral Loading of Pile Groups" is also in progress (1998). The objective of this study is to develop and validate an improved design method for pile groups subjected to static and dynamic lateral loads.

Brown and Bollman (1993) proposed a p-multiplier procedure for the design of laterally loaded pile groups. It is recommended that this approach, outlined in the step by step procedure that follows, be used for the design of laterally loaded pile groups. In the future, it is anticipated that the FHWA computer program DEEP FOUNDATIONS currently under development will be the primary design tool for analysis of pile groups under axial and lateral loads. This program, which is a successor of the LPGSTAN program by Hoit and McVay (1994), will use a p-multiplier approach in evaluation of laterally loaded pile groups under axial, lateral, and combined axial and lateral loads. The new program will also be capable of analyzing driven pile and drilled shaft foundation supported sound walls, retaining walls, signs and high mast lighting structures.

TABLE 9-15 LATERALLY LOADED PILE GROUPS STUDIES							
Soil Type	Test Type	Center to Center Pile Spacing	Calculated p- Multipliers, P <sub>m</sub> For Rows 1, 2, & 3+	Reported Group Efficiency	Deflection (mm)	Reference	
Stiff Clay	Field Study	3b	.70, .50, .40		51	Brown <i>et al</i> , (1987)	
Stiff Clay	Field Study	3b	.70, .60, .50,		30	Brown <i>et al</i> , (1987)	
Medium Clay	Scale Model- Cyclic Load	3b	.60, .45, .40		600 at 50 cycles	Moss (1997)	
Clayey Silt	Field Study	3b	.60, .40, .40		25-60	Rollins <i>et al</i> , (1998)	
V. Dense Sand	Field Study	3b	.80, .40, .30	75%	25	Brown e <i>t al</i> , (1988)	
M. Dense Sand	Centrifuge Model	3b	.80, .40, .30	74%	76	McVay <i>et al</i> , (1995)	
M. Dense Sand	Centrifuge Model	5b	1.0, .85, .70	95%	76	McVay <i>et al</i> , (1995)	
Loose M. Sand	Centrifuge Model	3b	.65, .45, .35	73%	76	McVay <i>et al</i> , (1995)	
Loose M. Sand	Centrifuge Model	5b	1.0, .85, .70	92%	76	McVay <i>et al</i> , (1995)	
Loose F. Sand	Field Study	3b	.80, .70, .30	80%	25-75	Ruesta <i>et al</i> , (1997)	

## STEP BY STEP DESIGN PROCEDURE FOR LATERALLY LOADED PILE GROUPS

- STEP 1 Develop p-y curves for single pile.
  - a. Obtain site specific single pile p-y curves from instrumented lateral pile load test at site.
  - b. Use p-y curves based on published correlations with soil properties.
  - c. Develop site specific p-y curves based on in-situ test data such as pressuremeter.
- STEP 2 Perform COM624P analyses.
  - a. Perform COM624P analyses using the  $P_m$  value for each row position to develop load-deflection and load-moment data.
  - b. Based on current data, it is suggested that P<sub>m</sub> values of 0.8 be used for the lead row, 0.4 for the second row, and 0.3 for the third and subsequent rows. These recommendations are considered reasonable for center to center pile spacing of 3b and pile deflections at the ground surface of .10 to .15b. For larger center to center spacings or smaller deflections, these P<sub>m</sub> values should be conservative.
  - c. Determine shear load versus deflection behavior for piles in each row. Plot load versus pile head deflection results similar to as shown in Figure 9.51(a).
- STEP 3 Estimate group deflection under lateral load.
  - a. Average the load for a given deflection from all piles in the group to determine the average group response to a lateral load as shown in Figure 9.51(a).
  - b. Divide the lateral load to be resisted by the pile group by the number of piles in the group to determine the average lateral load resisted per pile. Enter load-deflection graph similar to Figure 9.51(a) with the average load per pile to estimate group deflection using the group average load deflection curve.

- STEP 4 Evaluate pile structural acceptability.
  - a. Plot the maximum bending moment determined from COM624P analyses versus deflection for each row of piles as illustrated in Figure 9.51(b).
  - b. Check the pile structural adequacy for each row of piles. Use the estimated group deflection under the lateral load per pile to determine the maximum bending moment for an individual pile in each row.
  - c. Determine maximum pile stress from COM624P output associated with the maximum bending moment.
  - d. Compare maximum pile stress with pile yield stress.
- STEP 5 Perform refined pile group evaluation that considers superstructure-substructure interaction.

#### 9.9 SPECIAL DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

In certain situations, additional design problems exist that must be analyzed. These special design considerations include negative shaft resistance, vertical ground movements from swelling soils, lateral squeeze of foundation soils, scour effects on pile capacity, pile heave, and seismic considerations.

#### 9.9.1 Negative Shaft Resistance or Downdrag

When piles are installed through a soil deposit undergoing consolidation, the resulting relative downward movement of the soil around piles induces "downdrag" forces on the piles. These "downdrag" forces are also called negative shaft resistance. Negative shaft resistance is the reverse of the usual positive shaft resistance developed along the pile surface. The downdrag force increases the axial load on the pile and can be especially significant on long piles driven through compressible soils. Therefore, the potential for negative shaft resistance must be considered in pile design. Batter piles should be avoided in soil conditions where large soil settlements are expected because of the additional bending forces imposed on the piles, which can result in pile deformation and damage.



igure 9.51 Typical Plots of Load versus Deflection and Bending Moment versus Deflection for Pile Group Analysis (adapted from Brown and Bollman, 1993)

Settlement computations should be performed to determine the amount of settlement the soil surrounding the piles is expected to undergo after the piles are installed. The amount of relative settlement between soil and pile that is necessary to mobilize negative shaft resistance is about 10 to 12 mm. At that movement, the maximum value of negative shaft resistance is equal to the soil-pile adhesion. The negative shaft resistance can not exceed this value because slip of the soil along the pile shaft occurs at this value. It is particularly important in the design of friction piles to determine the depth at which the pile will be unaffected by negative shaft resistance. Only below that depth can positive shaft resistance forces provide support to resist vertical loads.

The most common situation where large negative shaft resistance develops occurs when fill is placed over a compressible layer immediately prior to, or after piles are driven. This condition is shown in Figure 9.52(a). Negative shaft resistance can also develop whenever the effective overburden pressure is increased on a compressible layer through which a pile is driven; due to lowering of the ground water table as illustrated in Figure 9.52(b), for example.

Briaud and Tucker (1993) presented the following criteria for identifying when negative shaft resistance may occur. If any one of these criteria is met, negative shaft resistance should be considered in the design. The criteria are:

- 1. The total settlement of the ground surface will be larger than 100 mm.
- 2. The settlement of the ground surface after the piles are driven will be larger than 10 mm.
- 3. The height of the embankment to be placed on the ground surface exceeds 2 m.
- 4. The thickness of the soft compressible layer is larger than 10 m.
- 5. The water table will be lowered by more than 4 m.
- 6. The piles will be longer than 25 m.



Figure 9.52(a) Common Downdrag Situation Due to Fill Weight



Figure 9.52(b) Common Downdrag Situation Due to Ground Water Lowering

## 9.9.1.1 Methods for Determining Negative Shaft Resistance

Negative shaft resistance is similar to positive shaft resistance, except the direction of force is opposite. Two design approaches have been used for the design of pile foundations subject to negative shaft resistance. The traditional method has been to calculate the shaft resistance from the soil layers above the zone of consolidating soils, and add this resistance as a load the pile supports. In this approach, any of the previously discussed methods for computing positive pile shaft resistance in cohesive and cohesionless soils can be used. Newer methods of determining negative shaft resistance loads are based on the interrelationship between pile movement and the developed negative shaft resistance load, such as used in the NCHRP study entitled "Downdrag on Bitumen-Coated Piles" by Briaud and Tucker (1993).

## 9.9.1.1a Traditional Approach to Negative Shaft Resistance

The total stress  $\alpha$ -method presented in Section 9.7.1.3 is often used for computing the negative shaft resistance or drag load in cohesive soils. In this approach, the adhesion calculated from the undrained shear strength of the soil times the pile perimeter is equated to the drag load from the consolidating soil layers. Similarly, the drag load from cohesionless layers above a consolidating soil layer is calculated from the shaft resistance in the cohesionless layers.

When selecting the undrained shear strength for calculation of the negative shaft resistance adhesion in the  $\alpha$ -method, it is important to remember that the consolidating cohesive soil will have a higher undrained shear strength with time. The adhesion should be calculated using either the higher adhesion value, determined from the undrained shear strength at the time of the soil borings, or the estimated undrained shear strength of the soil after consolidation. Drag loads equal to 100% of the undrained shear strength of a soft clay, ie  $\alpha = 1$ , have been reported by Johansesen and Bjerrum (1965) for toe bearing piles driven to a relatively unyielding bearing layer. Engineering judgement should be exercised in determining drag loads so that the drag load is not grossly overestimated, resulting in an expensive foundation design, nor underestimated, resulting in a overloaded foundation.

### STEP BY STEP DESIGN PROCEDURE FOR ANALYSIS OF DOWNDRAG LOADING

- STEP 1 Establish the simplified soil profile and soil properties for computing settlement.
- STEP 2 Determine the overburden pressure increase,  $\Delta p$ , versus depth due to the approach embankment fill.

The overburden pressure increase,  $\Delta p$ , is equal to the pressure coefficient, K<sub>f</sub>, determined from the pressure distribution chart presented in Figure 9.53, multiplied by the height of fill, h<sub>f</sub>, and the unit weight of fill,  $\gamma_f$ .

The pressure distribution chart provides the pressure coefficient,  $K_f$ , at various depths below the bottom of the fill ( $xb_f$ ), and also at various distances from the centerline of the fill. The depth below the bottom of the fill is given as a multiple of " $b_f$ ", where  $b_f$  is the distance from the centerline of the fill to the midpoint of the fill side slope, as shown in Figure 9.53.

For downdrag loading settlement calculations, the overburden pressure increase,  $\Delta p$ , at various depths beneath the centerline of the fill needs to be calculated over the embedded pile length.

- STEP 3 Perform settlement computations for the soil layers along the embedded pile length.
  - a. Determine consolidation test parameters for each soil layer from laboratory consolidation test results.
  - b. Compute settlement of each soil layer using the appropriate settlement equation provided in Section 9.8.2.3 for cohesive layers or Section 9.8.2.4 for cohesionless layers.
  - c. Compute the total settlement over the embedded pile length which is equal to the sum of the settlement from each soil layer. Do not include soil settlements below the pile toe level in this computation.



STEP 4 Determine the pile length that will experience negative shaft resistance.

Negative shaft resistance occurs due to the settlement between soil and pile. The amount of settlement between soil and pile necessary to mobilize the negative shaft resistance is about 10 mm. Therefore, negative shaft resistance will occur on the pile shaft in each soil layer or portion of a soil layer with a settlement greater than 10 mm.

STEP 5 Determine magnitude of negative shaft resistance,  $Q_s^-$ .

The method used to calculate the ultimate negative shaft resistance over the pile length determined in Step 4 should be the same method used to calculate the ultimate positive shaft resistance, except that it will act in the opposite direction.

STEP 6 Calculate the ultimate pile capacity provided by the positive shaft resistance and the toe resistance,  $Q_{\mu}^{+}$ .

Positive shaft and toe resistances will develop below the depth where the relative pile-soil movements are less than 10 mm. The positive soil resistances can be calculated on the pile length remaining below the negative shaft resistance depth from Step 4 using an appropriate static analysis method for the soil type as described in this chapter.

STEP 7 Calculate the net ultimate pile capacity,  $Q_u^{NET}$ , available to resist imposed loads.

$$Q_u^{NET} = Q_u^+ - Q_s^-$$

STEP 8 Consider alternatives to obtain higher net ultimate pile capacity.

Alternatives are described in Section 9.9.1.2 and include use of preloading or wick drains to reduce settlements prior to pile installation, use of lightweight fills to reduce settlements that cause downdrag loads, use of friction reducers to reduce downdrag loads, use of higher allowable material stress, and isolation of pile from consolidating soil.

An example calculation using this step by step procedure is included in Appendix F.6.

## 9.9.1.2 Methods for Reducing Negative Shaft Resistance Forces

In situations where the negative shaft resistance on piles is large and a reduction in the pile design load is impractical, negative shaft resistance forces can be handled or reduced by using one or more of the following techniques:

### a. Reduce soil settlement

Preconsolidation of compressible soils can be achieved by preloading and consolidating the soils **prior** to pile installation. This approach is often used for bridge foundations in fill sections. Wick drains are often used in conjunction with preloading in order to shorten the time required for consolidation. Additional information on wick drains is available in "Prefabricated Vertical Drains", FHWA RD 86/168 by Rixner *et al.* (1986) and in "Ground Improvement Technology Manual" for FHWA Demonstration Project 116, Elias *et al.* (1996).

#### b. Use lightweight fill material

Construct structural fills using lightweight fill material to reduce the downdrag loads. Lightweight fill materials often used, depending upon regional availability, include geofoam, foamed concrete, wood chips, blast furnace slag, and expanded shales. Additional information on lightweight fills is available through FHWA Demonstration Project 116, Elias *et al.* (1996).

#### c. <u>Use a friction reducer</u>

Bitumen coating and plastic wrap are two methods commonly used to reduce the friction at the pile-soil interface. Bitumen coatings should only be applied to the portion of the pile which will be embedded in the negative shaft resistance zone. Case histories on bitumen coatings have reported reductions in negative shaft resistance from as little as 47% to as much as 90%. Goudreault and Fellenius (1994) suggest that the reduction effect of bitumen may be analyzed by using an upper limit of 10 kPa as the pile-soil shear resistance or adhesion in the bitumen coated zone.

One of the major problems with bitumen coatings is protecting the coating during pile installation, especially when driving through coarse soils. An inexpensive solution to this problem is to weld an over-sized collar around the pile where the bitumen ends. The collar opens an adequate size hole to permit passage of the bitumen for moderate pile lengths in fine grained soils. Bitumen coatings can present additional construction problems associated with field coating and handling. The use of bitumen coatings can be quite successful provided proper construction control methods are followed. Bitumen coatings should not be casually specified as the solution to downdrag loading.

The proper bitumen must have relatively low viscosity to permit slippage during soil consolidation, yet high enough viscosity and adherence to insure the coating will stick to the pile surface during storage and driving, and sufficient ductility to prevent cracking and spalling of the bitumen during handling and driving. Therefore, the climate at the time of pile installation should be considered in selection of the proper bitumen coating. Example specifications for bitumen coatings applied to concrete and steel piles are provided in Appendix C. Note that these are generic specifications that should be modified to meet the specific needs of each project.

Plastic wrap has proven to be an economically attractive friction reducer, particularly for abutment piles driven behind and before construction of MSE walls. Tawfig (1994) performed laboratory tests on 0.15 mm thick polyethylene sheets used as a friction reducer. The laboratory test results indicated plastic wraps reduced the pile-soil shear resistance from between 78% for a one wrap layer to 98% for a two layer wrap with mineral oil lubricant of the pile-soil shear resistance. The laboratory test attractive for a one wrap layer was about 10 kPa and only 1 kPa for the lubricated two wrap system.

#### d. Increase allowable-pile stress

In piles where the allowable pile material strength has not been fully utilized, the pile design stress can be increased to offset the negative shaft resistance load. Increased structural capacity can also be obtained by using higher strength pile materials, or in the case of pipe piles, by using an increased wall thickness. Foundation settlement at the increased loading should be computed and checked against the foundation performance criteria.

## e. Prevent direct contact between soil and pile

Pile sleeves are sometimes used to eliminate direct contact between pile and soil. Bentonite slurry has been used in the past to achieve the same purpose. These methods are generally more expensive.

## 9.9.2 Vertical Ground Movements from Swelling Soils

Detrimental vertical ground movements can also occur in swelling soils subject to seasonal moisture changes, such as expansive clays. In this case, the swell pressures can induce uplift forces on the pile. For piles driven in swelling soils, bitumen coatings on the pile shaft through the swelling soil zone is effective in reducing the uplift forces.

## 9.9.3 Lateral Squeeze of Foundation Soil

Bridge abutments supported on piles driven through soft compressible cohesive soils may tilt forward or backward depending on the geometry of the backfill and the abutment. This problem is illustrated in Figure 9.54. Large horizontal movements may cause damage to the structure. The unbalanced fill loads shown in Figure 9.54 displace the soil laterally. This lateral displacement may bend the piles, causing the abutment to tilt toward or away from the fill.

The following rules of thumb are recommended for determining whether tilting will occur, as well as estimating the magnitude of horizontal movement.

1. Lateral squeeze and abutment tilting can occur if:

 $[\gamma \text{ fill } (kN/m^3)]$  [fill height (m)] > 3 [undrained shear strength of soft soil (kPa)]

2. If abutment tilting can occur, the magnitude of the horizontal movement can be estimated by the following formula:

Horizontal Abutment Movement (mm) = 0.25 Vertical Fill Settlement (mm)



Figure 9.54 Examples of Abutment Tilting Due to Lateral Squeeze

## 9.9.3.1 Solutions to Prevent Tilting

- a. Delay installation of abutment piling until after fill settlement has stabilized (best solution).
- b. Provide expansion shoes large enough to accommodate the movement.
- c. Use steel H-piles to provide high tensile strength in flexure.
- d. Use lightweight fill to reduce driving forces.

# 9.9.4 Bearing Capacity of Piles in Soils Subject to Scour

Scour occurs as a result of flowing water eroding away soil materials from the stream bed and/or stream banks. Scour can be classified as local scour, which effect soils only in the immediate vicinity of a substructure unit, or can be classified as channel degradation scour, where stream bed materials are removed over a large area. In a flood event, loose granular

soils can be eroded away in a few hours. The time required for cohesive or cemented soils to erode is typically longer, but the scour depth of eroded soil materials can be as deep as in cohesionless deposits. As noted earlier in this chapter, the capacity of a driven pile is due to soil resistance along the pile shaft and at the pile toe. Therefore, the erosion of the soil materials providing pile support can have significant detrimental effects on pile bearing capacity and must clearly be evaluated during the design stage.

The ultimate bearing capacity of a pile in a soil deposit subject to local or channel degradation scour requires multiple static analyses. In the case of local scour, the soil resistance in the scour zone provides resistance at the time of driving that cannot be counted on for long term support. Hence, for design purposes the shaft resistance in the scour zone is ignored, but for driveability considerations it is not. For pile capacity calculations in local scour cases, only the reduction in soils resistance in the scour zone is considered, and the effective overburden pressure is unchanged.

The effects of channel degradation scour on pile capacity are more severe. In channel degradation scour, the soil resistance in the scour zone once again provides resistance at the time of driving that cannot be counted on for long term support. Therefore, the shaft resistance in the scour zone is ignored for long term pile support considerations, but not for driveability considerations. More important, pile capacity calculations in channel degradation scour cases must also include the reduction in the effective overburden pressure due to removal of the stream bed materials. This reduction in effective stresses can have a significant effect on the calculated shaft and toe resistances. Figure 9.55 provides an illustration of local and channel degradation scour.

The FHWA publication FHWA-IP-90-017, "Evaluating Scour at Bridges" by Richardson and Davis (1995), more commonly known as HEC-18, recommends the following pile design issues also be considered at bridge sites subject to scour.

- 1. A reduced number of longer (higher capacity) piles should be used rather than a larger number of shorter (lower capacity) piles. This results in a greater factor of safety against failure due to scour.
- 2. Pile caps should be situated at or below the maximum anticipated scour depth. This will limit obstruction to flood flows which can cause local scour. It may be desirable to set the pile caps at an even lower depth if the piles can be damaged by erosion or corrosion and degradation from river currents. However in deep water situations, it may be more



cost effective to situate the pile cap above the mudline and design the foundation accordingly.

- 3. Piles should be designed for additional lateral restraint and column action because of the increase in the unsupported pile length after scour. The unsupported pile length is discussed in Chapter 11.
- 4. Stub abutments founded on piles in the approach embankments should be driven below the elevation of the thalweg, which is the lowest elevation of the river bed in the river channel. In this way, structural integrity is maintained if the thalweg shifts and the approach embankment material is scoured to the thalweg elevation provided that the piles are designed for the unsupported length.

The recommended design procedure for scour is dependent on the design event. For scour depths associated with either the 100 year flood event or the overtopping flood, the procedure illustrated in Section 9.6 should be followed where the factor of safety is linked to the construction control. For the superflood, or 500 year event, HEC-18 states a minimum factor of safety of 1.0 is acceptable. This minimum factor of safety is determined by dividing the maximum pile load by the sum of the shaft and toe resistances available below the scour depth. The shaft and toe resistances should be determined from an appropriate static analysis calculation as detailed earlier in this chapter.

#### 9.9.5 Soil and Pile Heave

As noted by Hagerty and Peck (1971), whenever piles are driven, soil is displaced. This can result in both upward movement (pile heave) and lateral movements of previously driven piles. These soil movements can be detrimental to the capacity of previously driven piles as well as to adjacent facilities. Obviously, the greater the volume of soil displaced by pile driving, the greater the potential for undesirable movements of previously driven piles, or damage to adjacent structures. Heave of toe bearing piles is particularly troublesome since the pile may be lifted from the bearing stratum, thereby greatly reducing the pile capacity and increasing the foundation settlement when loaded. Haggerty and Peck noted that saturated, insensitive clays behave incompressibly during pile driving and have the greatest heave potential.

When piles are to be installed in cohesive soils, it is recommended that the potential magnitude of vertical and lateral soil movements be considered in the design stage. If calculations indicate that movements may be significant, use of an alternate low displacement pile, or specifying a modified installation procedure (such as predrilling to reduce the volume of displaced soil) should be evaluated. A step by step procedure adapted from Haggerty and Peck for estimating soil and pile heave in a saturated insensitive clay follows. The procedure assumes a regular pile driving sequence and a level foundation surface. The paper by Haggerty and Peck should be consulted for modifications to the recommended procedure for conditions other than those stated.

### STEP BY STEP PROCEDURE FOR ESTIMATING SOIL AND PILE HEAVE

- STEP 1 Calculate the estimated soil heave at the ground surface.
  - a. Divide the volume of inserted piles by the volume of soil enclosed by the pile foundation to obtain the volumetric displacement ratio.
  - b. Estimate the normalized soil heave (soil heave / pile length) from 1/2 the volumetric displacement ratio calculated in Step 1a.
  - c. Calculate the soil heave at the ground surface by multiplying the normalized soil heave in Step 1b by the average length of piles.

- STEP 2 Determine the depth of no pile-soil movement.
  - a. Figure 9.56 illustrates a depth, d, exists where the potential upward pushing and downward resisting forces on the pile shaft are equal.
  - b. Calculate the pile-soil adhesion along the entire pile shaft using  $\alpha$ -method described in Section 9.7.1.2a.
  - c. Through multiple iterations determine the depth, d, where the adhesion from the upward pushing force equals the adhesion from the downward resisting force. Remember that only shaft resistance is considered in calculating the downward resisting force.
- STEP 3 Calculate the estimated pile heave.
  - a. Calculate the percentage of pile length subject to heave from (D-d) / D where D is the embedded pile length, and d is the equilibrium depth from Step 2c.
  - b. Calculate the estimated pile heave by multiplying the estimated soil heave from Step 1c by the percentage of pile length subject to heave from Step 3a.

#### 9.9.6 Seismic Considerations

The design issues associated with pile foundation design for seismic events are significant and are beyond the scope of this manual. Other publications such as FHWA RD-86/102, Seismic Design of Highway Bridge Foundations by Lam and Martin (1986), and Division 1A - Seismic Design of AASHTO Standard Specification (1992) should be consulted for design guidance in seismically active areas. The FHWA is currently (1996) developing a geotechnical engineering circular on geotechnical earthquake engineering. This document is scheduled for publication in 1997. Pile foundation design issues in seismic events include liquefaction effects on pile capacity, ground movements, seismic induced foundation loads, and seismic induced drag loads. This manual will therefore only briefly address the identification of liquefiable soils and the consequences of liquefaction on pile foundation design.



Figure 9.56 Balance of Forces on Pile Subject to Heave (after Haggerty and Peck, 1971)

Soil types most susceptible to liquefaction can be described as saturated, very loose to medium dense, fine to medium grained sands and non-plastic silts. However, liquefaction has also occurred in saturated, very loose to medium dense gravels and certain clayey soils.

In seismically active areas where peak earthquake acceleration will be greater than 0.1g, the soil susceptibility to liquefaction should be evaluated. A commonly used procedure for identification of liquefaction susceptible soils was proposed by Seed *et al.* (1983). This liquefaction evaluation approach is detailed in the Commentary for Section 6, Division 1A of the AASHTO Standard Specifications (1992) as well as Lam and Martin (1986). If the soils are found to liquefy during the design event, the pile foundation must be designed to accommodate the loss of frictional resistance, seismic induced loads, as well as the

anticipated vertical and horizontal displacements. Alternatively, the liquefaction potential may be mitigated through ground improvement techniques.

Pile foundations in liquefiable soils must penetrate through the zone of liquefaction and develop adequate capacity in the underlying soils. Evaluation of compression and uplift capacities during the seismic event can be made by assigning residual strength properties to the liquefiable layers. Residual strengths of sands and silty sands can be approximated from SPT resistance values using a correlation proposed by Seed (1987) and updated by Seed and Harder (1990).

Following a seismic event that induces soil liquefaction, the liquefied layer will consolidate. The soil resistance in and above the liquified layer will then become additional drag load that the pile must support. The pile foundation must be structurally capable of supporting this drag load and the foundation settlement resulting from the drag load must be within the structure's performance criteria.

Liquefaction induced lateral spread can impose significant bending moments in piles driven through liquefiable soils. Therefore, piles in liquefiable soils should be flexible and ductile in order to accommodate lateral loads. The maximum bending moment of piles in liquefiable soils is often evaluated in a COM624P analysis by assigning Reese's soft clay p-y curve with low residual shear strengths and high  $\epsilon_{50}$  values to the liquefiable layer.

### 9.10 ADDITIONAL DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION CONSIDERATIONS

The previous sections of this chapter addressed routine and special event static analysis procedures for pile foundation design. However, the designer should be aware of additional design and construction considerations that can influence the reliability of static analysis procedures in estimating pile capacity. These issues include the influence of time, predrilling or jetting, construction dewatering, soil densification, and the plugging of open pile sections on pile capacity. Pile driving induced vibrations can also influence the final design and static calculation results if potential vibration levels dictate changes in pile type or installation procedures. The closing section of this chapter focuses on pile driveability. Evaluation of pile driveability is a fitting final topic of this design chapter since all the previously described analyses are meaningless if the pile cannot be driven to the required depth and capacity without damage.

## 9.10.1 Time Effects on Pile Capacity

As noted in Section 9.2, the soil is greatly disturbed when a pile is driven into the soil. As the soil surrounding the pile recovers from the installation disturbance, a time dependent change in pile capacity often occurs. Frequently piles driven in saturated clays, and loose to medium dense silts or fine sands gain capacity after driving has been completed. This phenomenon is called soil setup. Occasionally piles driven into dense saturated fine sands, dense silts, or weak laminated rocks such as shale, will exhibit a decrease in capacity after the driving has been completed. This phenomenon is called rocks such as shale, will exhibit a decrease in capacity after the driving has been completed. This phenomenon is called relaxation. Case history discussions on soil setup and relaxation may be found in Fellenius *et al.* (1989), and Thompson and Thompson (1985), respectively.

#### 9.10.1.1 Soil Setup

When saturated cohesive soils are compressed and disturbed due to pile driving, large excess pore pressures develop. These excess pore pressures are generated partly from the shearing and remolding of the soil and partly from radial compression as the pile displaces the soil. The excess pore pressures cause a reduction in the effective stresses acting on the pile, and thus a reduction in the soil shear strength. This results in a reduced pile capacity during, and for a period of time after, driving.

After driving, the excess pore pressures will dissipate primarily through radial flow of the pore water away from the pile. With the dissipation of pore pressures, the soil reconsolidates and increases in shear strength. This increase in soil shear strength results in an increase in the static pile capacity and is called soil setup. A similar decrease in resistance to pile penetration with subsequent soil setup may occur in loose to medium dense, saturated, fine grained sands or silts. The magnitude of the gain in capacity depends on soil characteristics, pile material and pile dimensions.

Because the pile capacity may increase after the end of driving, pile capacity assessments should be made from static load testing or retapping performed **after** equilibrium conditions in the soil have been re-established. The time for the return of equilibrium conditions is highly variable and depends on soil type and degree of soil disturbance. Piezometers installed within three diameters of the pile can be used to monitor pore pressure dissipation with time. Effective stress static pile capacity calculation methods can be used to evaluate the increase in capacity with time once pore pressures are quantified.

Static load testing or restrike testing of piles in fine grained soils should not be conducted until after pore pressures dissipate and return to equilibrium. In the absence of site specific pore pressure data from piezometers, it is suggested that static load testing or retapping of piles in clays and other predominantly fine grained soils be delayed for at least two weeks after driving and preferably for a longer period. In sandy silts and fine sands, pore pressures generally dissipate more rapidly. In these more granular deposits, five days to a week is often a sufficient time delay.

Rausche, *et al.* (1996) calculated general soil setup factors based on the predominant soil type along the pile shaft. The soil setup factor was defined as the static load test failure load divided by the end-of-drive wave equation capacity. These results are presented in Table 9-16. The data base for this study was comprised of 99 test piles from 46 sites. The number of sites and the percentage of the data base in a given soil condition is included in the table. While these soil set-up factors may be useful for preliminary estimates, soil setup is better estimated based on site specific data gathered from pile retapping, dynamic measurements, static load testing, and local experience.

### 9.10.1.2 Relaxation

The ultimate capacity of driven piles can also decrease with time following driving. This is known as relaxation and it has been observed in dense, saturated, fine grained soils such as non-cohesive silts and fine sands, as well as in some shales. In these cases, the driving process is believed to cause the dense soil near the pile toe to dilate (tendency for volume increase), thereby generating negative pore pressures (suction). The negative pore pressures temporarily increase the effective stresses acting on the pile, resulting in a temporarily higher soil strength and driving resistance. When these pore pressures dissipate, the effective stresses acting on the pile decrease, as does the pile capacity. Relaxation in weak laminated rocks has been attributed to a release of locked in horizontal stresses, Thompson and Thompson (1985).

Because the pile capacity may decrease (relaxation) after the end of driving, pile capacity assessments from static load testing or retapping should be made after equilibrium conditions in the soil have been re-established. In the absence of site specific pore pressure data from piezometers, it is suggested that static load testing or retapping of piles in dense silts and fine sands be delayed for five days to a week after driving, or longer if possible. In relaxation prone shales, it is suggested that static load testing or restrike testing be delayed a minimum of two weeks after driving.

TABLE 9-16 SOIL SETUP FACTORS (after Rausche et al., 1996)							
Predominant Soil Type Along Pile Shaft	Range in Soil Set-up Factor	Recommended Soil Set-up Factors*	Number of Sites and (Percentage of Data Base)				
Clay	1.2 - 5.5	2.0	7 (15%)				
Silt - Clay	1.0 - 2.0	1.0	10 (22%)				
Silt	1.5 - 5.0	1.5	2 (4%)				
Sand - Clay	1.0 - 6.0	1.5	13 (28%)				
Sand - Silt	1.2 - 2.0	1.2	8 (18%)				
Fine Sand	1.2 - 2.0	1.2	2 (4%)				
Sand	0.8 - 2.0	1.0	3 (7%)				
Sand - Gravel	1.2 - 2.0	1.0	1 (2%)				

\* Confirmation with Local Experience Recommended

Published cases of the relaxation magnitude of various soil types is quite limited. However, data from Thompson and Thompson (1985) as well as Hussein *et al.* (1993) suggest relaxation factors for piles founded in some shales can range from 0.5 to 0.9. The relaxation factor is defined as the pile capacity at the end of initial driving divided by the static load test failure load. Relaxation factors of 0.5 and 0.8 have also been observed in two cases where piles were founded in dense sands and extremely dense silts, respectively. The importance of evaluating time dependent decreases in pile capacity for piles founded in these materials cannot be over emphasized.

# 9.10.1.3 Estimation of Pore Pressures During Driving

According to Lo and Stermac (1965), the maximum pore pressure induced from pile driving may be estimated from the following equation.

$$\Delta u_{m} = \left[ (1 - K_{0}) + \left(\frac{\Delta u}{p}\right)_{m} \right] p_{i}$$

Where:  $\Delta u_m$  = Maximum excess pore pressure (kPa). K<sub>o</sub> = Coefficient of earth pressure at-rest.

p,

 $(\Delta u/p)_m$  = Maximum value of the pore pressure ratio,  $\Delta u/p$ , measured in a CU triaxial test with pore pressure measurements.

= Initial effective overburden pressure prior to pile driving (kPa).

Ismael and Klym (1979) presented a case history where the above procedure was used. They reported good agreement between measured excess pore pressures with estimates from the Lo and Stermac procedure.

Poulus and Davis (1980) summarized measurements of excess pore pressures due to pile driving from several case histories. In this compilation, the reported excess pore pressure measurements divided by the effective overburden pressure were plotted versus the radial distance from the pile surface divided by the pile radius. These results are presented in Figure 9.57 and indicate that the excess pore pressure at the pile-soil interface can approach 1.4 to 1.9 times the effective overburden pressure, depending upon the clay sensitivity.

The foundation designer should evaluate the potential change in pile capacity with time. Once pore pressures are measured or estimated, effective stress static pile capacity calculation methods can be used to quantify the probable change in pile capacity with time.

#### 9.10.2 Effects of Predrilling, Jetting and Vibratory Installation on Pile Capacity

Piles are sometimes predrilled or jetted to a prescribed depth in order to attain the pile penetration depths required, as well as to reduce other foundation installation concerns, such as ground vibrations, Jetting is usually performed in cohesionless soils that can be freely eroded by water jets. Jetting, which can be very effective in sands, is usually ineffective in cohesive soils. For clays, and other drillable materials, such as thin layers of rock, predrilling the pile locations is more effective. The predrilled hole can be slightly smaller, equal to, or slightly larger than the pile diameter.



Figure 9.57 Excess Pore Water Pressure due to Pile Driving (after Poulos and Davis, 1980)

The use of predrilling or jetting will result in greater soil disturbance than considered in standard static pile capacity calculations. Therefore, when predrilling or jetting is contemplated, the effect of either of these construction procedures on calculated compression, uplift, and lateral pile capacity should be considered. Poulos and Davis (1980) report that the ultimate shaft resistance should be reduced by 50% of the originally calculated capacity in the jetted zone if the pile is jetted and then driven to the final penetration. McClelland *et al.* (1969) reported that a decrease in shaft resistance over a predrilled depth can range from 50 to 85% of that calculated without predrilling, depending upon the size of the predrilled hole. Hence, the probable reduction in compression, uplift, and lateral capacity from jetting or predrilling should be evaluated whenever predrilling or jetting is being considered.

Agencies are often requested to allow pile installation with a vibratory pile hammer instead of an impact hammer. Mosher (1987) summarized the results from five sites where piles were installed by both impact and vibratory hammers. This study concluded that for a significant majority of the cases, piles installed in sand with a vibratory hammer had a lower ultimate capacity than impact driven piles at the same site. Mosher also concluded that time dependent soil strength changes occurred equally for both installation methods. Hence, the capacity of the vibratory installed piles did not increase to the capacity of the impact driven piles with time. However, it was also observed that impact driving a vibratory installed pile would increase the capacity of the vibratory installed pile to that of an impact driven pile.

O'Neill and Vipulanandan (1989) performed a laboratory evaluation of piles installed with vibratory hammers. This laboratory study found impact driven piles had a 25% greater unit shaft resistance and a 15 to 20% higher unit toe resistance than vibratory installed piles in medium dense to dense, uniform, fine sand. However, in very dense, uniform, fine sand, the impact driven pile had a 20 to 30% lower unit shaft resistance and approximately a 30% lower unit toe resistance than the vibratory installed pile.

These two studies indicate use of vibratory pile installation rather than impact driving will affect the ultimate pile capacity that can be achieved at a given pile penetration depth. Therefore, communication between design and construction personnel should occur, and the influence of vibratory pile installation be evaluated when it is proposed. Impact driving a specified final depth of vibratory installed piles may provide a foundation that meets the engineer's performance requirements at reduced installation cost.

# 9.10.3 Effects of Site Dewatering on Pile Capacity

When a site is dewatered during construction, a temporary increase in effective stresses will occur. This causes a corresponding temporary increase in soil shear strength that will result in piles driven in a dewatered site to develop a greater capacity at a shallower pile penetration depth as compared to the non-dewatered condition. The soil resistance to be overcome to reach a specified penetration depth will also be greater than in the non-dewatered condition. If not considered in the design stage, the selected pile type may not be driveable to the required penetration depth in the dewatered construction condition. When dewatering is terminated, the effective stresses acting on the pile will decrease as the water table rises. This will result in a decrease in the soil shear strength and a decrease

in long term pile capacity. Hence piles driven to the ultimate capacity in the dewatered condition would have less than the required ultimate capacity once dewatering was terminated.

For projects where significant dewatering is required, the effects of the dewatering on pile capacity and pile driveability should be evaluated. In these cases, multiple static analyses should be performed to determine the pile capacity and driveability requirements under the short term dewatered condition, as well as the long term pile capacity after dewatering has been terminated.

# 9.10.4 Densification Effects on Pile Capacity and Installation Conditions

As illustrated in Figure 9.3, driving a pile in cohesionless soil influences the surrounding soils to a distance of about 3 to 5 pile diameters away from the pile. The soil displacement and vibrations resulting from driving pile groups in cohesionless soils can further densify cohesionless materials. The use of displacement piles also intensify group densification effects in cohesionless soils.

Densification can result in the pile capacity as well as the resistance to pile penetration being significantly higher than that calculated for a single pile in the static capacity calculations. The added confinement provided by cofferdams or the sequence of pile installation can further aggravate a group densification problem. Piles should be installed from the center of the group outward in order to reduce group densification effects due to installation sequence. Densification can cause significant construction problems if scour, seismic, or other considerations require pile penetration depths that cannot be achieved.

Potential densification effects should be considered in the design stage. Studies by Meyerhof (1959) and Kishida (1967) indicate that an increase in the soil friction angle of up to 4 degrees would not be uncommon for piles in loose to medium dense sands. It is expected that the increase in soil friction angle would be less for dense sands or cohesionless soils with a significant fine content. Densification affects the soil resistance to be overcome during driving and should be evaluated through static analyses performed using higher soil strength parameters than used for design. Results from these static analyses may indicate that a low displacement pile should be used, the pile spacing should be increased, or that a pile installation aid should be specified in order to obtain the required pile penetration depth.

## 9.10.5 Plugging of Open Pile Sections

Open pile sections include open end pipe piles and H-piles. The use of open pile sections has increased, particularly where special design events dictate large pile penetration depths. When open pile sections are driven, they may behave as low displacement piles and "cookie cut" through the soil, or act as displacement piles if a soil plug forms near the pile toe. It is generally desired that open sections remain unplugged during driving and plugged under static loading conditions.

Stevens (1988) reported that plugging of pipe piles in clays does not occur during driving if pile accelerations (along the plug zone) are greater than 22g's. Holloway and Beddard (1995) reported that hammer blow size (impact force and energy) influenced the dynamic response of the soil plug. With a large hammer blow, the plug "slipped" under the dynamic event whereas under a lesser hammer blow the pile encountered toe resistance typically of a plugged condition. From a design perspective, these cases indicate that pile penetration of open sections can be facilitated if the pile section is designed to accommodate a large pile hammer.

Static pile capacity calculations must determine whether an open pile section will exhibit plugged or unplugged behavior. Studies by O'Neill and Raines (1991), Raines *et al.* (1992), as well as Paikowsky and Whitman (1990) suggest that plugging of open pipe piles in medium dense to dense sands generally begins at a pile penetration to pile diameter ratio of 20, but can be as high as 35. For pipe piles in soft to stiff clays, Paikowsky and Whitman (1990) reported plugging occurs at penetration-to-pile diameter ratios of 10 to 20.

The above studies suggest that plugging in any soil material is probable under static loading conditions once the penetration to pile diameter ratio exceeds 20 in dense sands and clays, or 20 to 30 in medium sands. An illustration of the difference in the soil resistance mechanism that develops on a pipe pile with an open and plugged toe condition is presented in Figure 9.58. Paikowsky and Whitman (1990) recommend that the static capacity of an open end pipe pile be calculated from the lesser of the following equations:

Plugged Condition:  $Q_{\mu} = f_{so} A_{s} + q_{t} A_{t}$ 

Unplugged Condition:

 $Q_{u} = f_{so} A_{s} + f_{si} A_{si} + q_{t} A_{p} - w_{p}$ 

Where:  $Q_u = Ultimate pile capacity, (kN).$ 

- $f_{so}$  = Exterior unit shaft resistance, (kPa).
- $A_s$  = Pile exterior surface area, (m<sup>2</sup>).
- f<sub>si</sub> = Interior unit shaft resistance, (kPa).
- $A_{si}$  = Pile interior surface area, (m<sup>2</sup>).
- $q_t = Unit toe resistance (kPa).$
- $A_t$  = Toe area of a plugged pile (m<sup>2</sup>).
- $A_p$  = Pile cross sectional area of an unplugged pile (m<sup>2</sup>).
- $w_p$  = Weight of the plug, (kN).

The soil stresses and displacements induced by driving an open pile section and a displacement pile section are not the same. Hence, a lower unit toe resistance,  $q_t$ , should be used for calculating the toe capacity of open end pipe piles compared to a typical closed end condition. The value of the interior unit shaft resistance in an open end pipe pile is typically on the order of  $\frac{1}{3}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  the exterior unit shaft resistance, and is influenced by soil type, pile diameter, and pile shoe configuration. These factors will also influence the length of soil plug that may develop.

For open end pipe piles in cohesionless soils, Tomlinson (1994) recommends that the static pile capacity be calculated using a limiting value of 5000 kPa for the unit toe resistance, regardless of the pile size or soil density. Tomlinson states that higher unit toe resistances do not develop, because yielding of the soil plug rather than bearing capacity failure of the soil below the plug governs the capacity.

For open end pipe piles driven in stiff clays, Tomlinson (1994) recommends that the static pile capacity be calculated as follows when field measurements confirm a plug is formed and carried down with the pile:

$$Q_{u} = 0.8 \ c_{a} \ A_{s} + 4.5 \ c_{u} \ A_{t}$$

Where:  $Q_u = Ultimate pile capacity, (kN).$ 

- $c_a$  = Pile adhesion from Figure 9.18 (kPa).
- $A_s = Pile-soil surface area, (m<sup>2</sup>).$
- $c_u$  = Average undrained shear strength at the pile toe (kPa).
- $A_t$  = Toe area of a plugged pile (m<sup>2</sup>).

Static pile capacity calculations for open end pipe piles in cohesionless soils should be performed using the Paikowsky and Whitman equations. Toe resistance should be calculated using the Tomlinson limiting unit toe resistance of 5000 kPa, once Meyerhof's limiting unit toe resistance, determined from Figure 9.17, exceeds 5000 kPa. For open end pipe piles in predominantly cohesive soils, the Tomlinson equation should be used.

The plugging phenomenon in H-piles can be equally difficult to analyze. However, the distance between flanges of an H-pile is smaller than the inside diameter of most open end pipe piles. Therefore, it can usually be assumed that an H-pile will be plugged under static loading conditions and the "box" area of the pile toe can used for static calculation of the toe capacity in cohesionless and cohesive soils. The toe capacity for H-piles driven to rock is usually governed by the pile structural strength, calculated based on the steel cross sectional area, and should not include the area of a soil plug, if any.

For H-piles in cohesionless soils, arching between the flanges can usually be assumed, and the "box" perimeter can be used for shaft resistance calculations. In most cohesive soils, the shaft resistance is calculated from the sum of the adhesion,  $c_a$ , along the <u>exterior</u> of the two flanges plus the undrained shear strength of the soil,  $c_u$ , times the surface area of the two remaining sides of the "box" due to soil-to-soil shear along these two faces. Figure 9.59 illustrates that calculation of H-piles in stiff clays can still be problematic. Sheared clay lumps can develop above the plug zone, in which case the shaft resistance may only develop along the flanges in the sheared lump zone.

The above discussions highlight the point that a higher degree of uncertainty often exists for static pile capacity calculations of open pile sections than for displacement piles. Soil plug formation and plug response is often different under static and dynamic loading. This can complicate pile capacity evaluations of open pile sections with all dynamic methods (wave equation, dynamic testing, and dynamic formulas). Therefore, for large diameter open end pipe piles (greater than 450 mm), or for H-piles designed due carry their load primarily in shaft resistance, a static load test is recommended for capacity verification.

### 9.10.6 Design Considerations Due to Pile Driving Induced Vibrations

Since piles are driven by impact or vibratory hammers, ground vibrations of some magnitude are almost always induced into the surrounding soils during pile installation. Damage to nearby structures can result from vibration induced soil settlements or from the




effects of vibrations on the structure itself. If a sensitive existing structure is located within approximately 150 meters of the pile driving location, vibrations or vibration induced soil densification may result in settlement damage to the existing structure. In many highway projects, vibrations are of limited concern, as surrounding structures are often greater than 150 meters from the location of pile driving.

For projects in urban areas, and for widening of existing bridges, the proximity of existing structures is often within the zone of potential damage. Careful evaluation of the pile driving procedures and/or monitoring of ground vibrations during pile installations should be performed for these projects. Wiss (1980), reported "safe" levels of ground vibration have typically been recommended between 12 and 100 mm per second. Lacy and Gould (1985) found that vibration induced soil densification settlements and structural damage can occur at peak particle velocities much less than 50 mm per second and that soil gradation is an important factor in this phenomenon. For a specific project, the ground vibration level where structural damage may occur will be dependent upon the type of soils, pile type(s), pile hammer, pile installation techniques, as well as the condition and type of existing structure.

If the potential for damaging ground vibrations is high, pile installation techniques should be specified to reduce vibration levels. Specifications could require predrilling or jetting as well as use of a different pile type or use of a specific type of pile hammer. Since predrilling and jetting influence compression, uplift, and lateral pile capacities, a determination of probable vibration levels and remediation measures should be evaluated in the design stage. A case history illustrating how a change in pile installation procedures reduced vibration induced densification and off-site settlement damage was reported by Lukas and Gill (1990).

NCHRP Project 20-5, Dynamic Effects of Pile Installations on Adjacent Structures, by Woods (1997), provides a synthesis of pile driving induced vibrations and typical mitigation practices. This synthesis noted that vibration problem management is the key to minimizing vibration damage, delays and claims. Two important elements in vibration management are a vibration specification with limits on the maximum peak particle velocity and a predriving survey of surrounding structures. An example vibration specification that details the requirements of a preconstruction survey as well as particle velocity controls is included in the NCHRP synthesis. The predriving survey needs to document conditions within the potential effected area. Woods reported that vibration damage a distance greater than one pile length away from driving is relatively uncommon but settlement damage in loose clean sands can occur up to 400 meters away. Woods also concluded that piles with low

impedances, EA/C, tend to transmit the hammer energy to the soils along the pile shaft and thus increase ground vibrations, whereas piles with higher impedances tend to more effectively transmit the hammer energy to the pile toe resulting in lower ground vibration levels. Hence, selection of a stiffer pile section at sites where vibrations are a concern may reduce vibration problems.

# 9.10.7 Pile Driveability

Greater pile penetration depths are increasingly being required to satisfy performance criteria in special design events such as scour, vessel impact, ice and debris loading, and seismic events. Therefore, the ability of a pile to be driven to the required penetration depth has become increasingly more important and must be evaluated in the design stage. Pile driveability refers to the ability of a pile to be driven to a desired penetration depth and/or capacity. All of the previously described static analysis methods are meaningless if the pile cannot be driven to the required design depth and ultimate capacity without sustaining damage. The limit of pile driveability is the maximum soil resistance a pile can be driven against without sustaining damage or a refusal driving resistance with a properly sized driving system.

Primary factors controlling the ultimate geotechnical capacity of a pile are the pile type and length, the soil conditions, and the method of installation. Since the pile type, length and method of installation can be specified, it is often erroneously assumed that the pile can be installed as designed to the estimated penetration depth. However, the pile must have sufficient <u>driveability</u> to overcome the soil resistance encountered during driving to reach the estimated or specified pile penetration depth. If a pile section does not have a driveability limit in excess of the soil resistance to be overcome during driving, it will not be driveable to the desired pile penetration depth. The failure to adequately evaluate pile driveability is one of the most common deficiencies in driven pile design practice.

In evaluating the driveability of a pile, the soil disturbance during installation and the time dependent soil strength changes should be considered. Both soil setup and relaxation have been described earlier in this chapter. For economical pile design, the foundation designer must match the soil resistance to be overcome at the time of driving with the pile impedance, the pile material strength, and the pile driving equipment.

# 9.10.7.1 Factors Affecting Driveability

A pile must satisfy two aspects of driveability. First, the pile must have sufficient stiffness to transmit driving forces large enough to overcome soil resistance. Second, the pile must have sufficient structural strength to withstand the driving forces without damage.

The primary controlling factor on pile driveability is the pile impedance, EA/C. Once the pile material is selected, and thus the pile modulus of elasticity, E, and the pile wave speed, C, only increasing the pile cross sectional area, A, will improve the pile driveability. For steel H-piles, the designer can improve pile driveability by increasing the H-pile section without increasing the H-pile size. The driveability of steel pipe piles can be improved by increasing the pipe wall thickness. For open ended pipe piles, an inside-fitting cutting shoe can improve driveability by delaying the formation of a soil plug and thereby reducing the soil resistance to be overcome. Most concrete piles are solid cross sections. Therefore, increasing the pile area to improve driveability is usually accompanied by an increase in the soil resistance to driving.

A lesser factor influencing pile driveability is the pile material strength. The influence of pile material strength on driveability is limited, since strength does not alter the pile impedance. However, a pile with a higher pile material strength can tolerate higher driving stresses that may allow a larger pile hammer to be used. This may allow a slightly higher capacity to be obtained before refusal driving conditions or pile damage occur.

Other factors that may affect pile driveability include the driving system characteristics such as ram weight, stroke, and speed, as well as the actual system performance in the field. The dynamic soil response can also affect pile driveability. Soils may have higher damping characteristics or elasticity than assumed, both of which can reduce pile driveability. Dynamic soil response is discussed in greater detail in Chapters 17 and 18.

Even if the pile structural capacity and geotechnical capacity both indicate a high pile capacity could be used, a high pile capacity may still not be obtainable because driving stresses may exceed allowable driving stress limits. A pile cannot be driven to an ultimate static capacity that is as high as the structural capacity of the pile because of the additional dynamic resistance or damping forces generated during pile driving. The allowable static design stresses in pile materials by various codes generally represent the static stress levels (pile capacity) which can be consistently developed with normal driving equipment and methods. Maximum allowable design and driving stresses are discussed in Chapter 11.

## 9.10.7.2 Methods for Determining Pile Driveability

There are three available methods for predicting and/or checking pile driveability. As design tools, all of the methods have advantages and disadvantages and are therefore presented in order of increasing cost and reliability.

## 1. Wave Equation Analysis

This method, Goble and Rausche (1986), accounts for pile impedance and predicts driving stresses as well as the relationship of pile driving resistance versus ultimate pile capacity. Wave equation analyses performed in the design stage require assumptions on the hammer type and performance level, the drive system components, as well as the soil response during driving. These shortcomings are reflected in variations between predicted and actual field behavior. Even with these shortcomings, the wave equation is a powerful design tool that can and should be used to check driveability in the design stage, to design an appropriate pile section, or to specify driving equipment characteristics. Additional information on the wave equation, including its use as a construction control tool, is presented in Chapter 17.

## 2. Dynamic Testing and Analysis

Dynamic measurements can be made during pile installation to calculate driving stresses and to estimate static pile capacity at the time of driving. Time dependent changes in pile capacity can be evaluated if measurements are made during restrike tests. Additional signal matching analysis can also provide soil parameters for refined wave equation analysis. A shortcoming of this method as a design tool is that it must be performed during pile driving. Therefore, in order to use dynamic testing information to confirm driveability or to refine a design, a test program is required during the design stage. Additional details on dynamic testing and analysis, including its use as a construction control tool, is presented in Chapter 18.

## 3. Static Load Tests

Static load tests, Kyfor *et al.* (1992), are useful for checking driveability and confirming pile capacity prior to production pile driving. Test piles are normally driven to estimated lengths and load tested. The confirmation of pile driveability through static load testing is the most accurate method of confirming driveability and pile capacity since a pile is

actually driven and load tested. However, this advantage also illustrates one of its shortcomings as a design tool, in that a test program is required during the design stage. Other shortcomings associated with static load tests for determining driveability include:

- a. cost and time delay that limit their suitability to certain projects.
- b. assessment of driving stresses and extent of pile damage, if any, sustained by the pile is not provided by the test.
- c. can be misleading on projects where soil conditions are highly variable.

Additional details on static load testing, including its use as a construction control tool, is presented in Chapter 19.

As design and construction control tools, methods 1 and 2 offer additional information and complement static load tests. Used properly, methods 1 and 2 can yield significant savings in material costs or reduction of construction delays. <u>These methods can be used to reduce the number of static load tests and also allow evaluation of increases in the maximum allowable design stresses</u>. A determination of the increase (soil setup) or decrease (relaxation) in pile capacity with time can also be made if piles are retapped after initial driving.

# 9.10.7.3 Driveability Versus Pile Type

Driveability should be checked during the <u>design stage</u> of all driven piles. It is particularly important for closed end steel pipe piles where the impedance of the steel casing may limit pile driveability. Although the designer may attempt to specify a thin-wall pipe in order to save material cost, a thin wall pile may lack the driveability to develop the required ultimate capacity or to achieve the necessary pile penetration depth. Wave equation analyses should be performed in the design stage to select the pile section and wall thickness.

Steel H-piles and open pipe piles, prestressed concrete piles, and timber piles are also subject to driveability limitations. This is particularly true as allowable design stresses increase and as special design events require increased pile penetration depths. The driveability of long prestressed concrete piles can be limited by the pile's tensile strength.

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# STUDENT EXERCISE #1 - CONSTRUCT A po DIAGRAM

For the soil profile given below, construct the total and effective overburden pressure diagrams. The water table is 5 meters below the ground surface. The unit weight of water is  $9.80 \text{ kN/m}^3$ . Construction of a  $p_o$  diagram is described in Section 9.4 of Chapter 9. The solution to this problem is presented in Appendix G.



# STUDENT EXERCISE #1 - CONSTRUCT A p. DIAGRAM - STEP BY STEP

The suggested step by step procedure is as follows:

- 1. Calculate the total overburden pressure,  $p_t$ , at the depth of each strata change and at the static water table.
- 2. Calculate the pore water pressure, u, at each depth.
- 3. Calculate the effective overburden pressure at each depth from  $p_t$ -u.
- 4. Plot  $\textbf{p}_t$  and  $\textbf{p}_o$  versus depth on the following page.



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## STUDENT EXERCISE #2 - NORDLUND CAPACITY CALCULATION

Use the Nordlund method and the step by step procedures described in Section 9.7.1.1b to calculate the ultimate capacity and the allowable design load for a 305 mm square prestressed concrete pile driven into the soil profile described below. A trial pile length of 15 meters below the bottom of the pile cap 1 meter below grade should be used. Begin the calculation with Step 2 of the step by step procedure since the data required from Step 1 has been provided in the problem. The overburden pressure diagram for this problem is included on the next page. The problem solution is presented in Appendix G.





#### STUDENT EXERCISE #2 - NORDLUND METHOD - STEP BY STEP

- STEP 1 The p<sub>o</sub> diagram, soil layer determination, and the soil friction angle,  $\phi$ , for each soil layer were presented in the problem introduction. Layer 1 has an  $\phi$  angle of 30° and layer 2 has an  $\phi$  angle of 35°.
- STEP 2 Determine  $\delta$ .
  - a. Compute volume of soil displaced per unit length of pile, V.

 $V = (0.305 \text{ m})(0.305 \text{ m})(1.0 \text{ m/m}) = 0.093 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$ 

b. Determine  $\delta/\phi$  from Figure 9.10.

 $V = 0.093 \text{ m}^3/\text{m} \rightarrow \delta/\phi =$ 

c. Calculate  $\delta$  for each soil layer.

Layer 1:  $\delta_1 =$ 

- Layer 2:  $\delta_2 =$
- STEP 3 Determine  $K_{\delta}$  for each soil layer based on displaced volume, V, and pile taper angle,  $\omega$ .

Layer 1: For  $\phi = 30^\circ$ , V = 0.093 m<sup>3</sup>/m and  $\omega = 0^\circ$ 

From Figure 9.12:  $K_{\delta} =$ 

Layer 2: For  $\phi = 35^\circ$ , V = 0.093 m<sup>3</sup>/m and  $\omega = 0^\circ$ 

From Figure 9.13:  $K_s =$ 

STEP 4 Determine correction factor,  $C_F$ , to be applied to  $K_{\delta}$  when  $\delta \neq \phi$  (Figure 9.15.)

Layer 1:  $\phi = 30^{\circ}$  and  $\delta/\phi = \rightarrow C_F =$ Layer 2:  $\phi = 35^{\circ}$  and  $\delta/\phi = \rightarrow C_F =$ 

STEP 5 Compute effective overburden pressure at midpoint of each soil layer,  $p_d$ . From  $p_o$  diagram,  $p_d$  for layer 1 is 51 kPa, and

 $p_{d}$  for layer 2 is 134.5 kPa.

STEP 6 Compute the shaft resistance for each soil layer.

 $R_s = K_{\delta} C_F p_d \sin \delta C_d D$ 

 $C_d$  = pile perimeter =

D = embedded length in layer

Layer 1:  $R_{s1} =$ 

Layer 2:  $R_{s2} =$ 

Compute the ultimate shaft resistance, R<sub>s</sub>.

$$R_{s} = R_{s1} + R_{s2} =$$

STEP 7 Determine  $\alpha_t$  coefficient and bearing capacity factor N'<sub>q</sub> from  $\phi$  angle of 35° at pile toe and Figures 9.16(a) and 9.16(b).

From Figure 9.16(a)  $\rightarrow \alpha_t =$ 

From Figure 9.16(b)  $\rightarrow$  N'<sub>a</sub> =

STEP 8 Compute effective overburden pressure at pile toe.

From effective overburden pressure diagram,  $p_t$  at 16 meters is 184 kPa. Therefore, limiting overburden pressure at pile toe of 150 kPa applies.

STEP 9 Compute the ultimate toe resistance, R<sub>t</sub>.

a. 
$$R_t = \alpha_t N'_q A_t p_t$$

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b.  $R_t = q_L A_t$  determine  $q_L$  from Figure 9.17, for  $\phi = 35^\circ$ .

c. Use lesser value of  $R_t$  from Step 9a and 9b. Therefore,  $R_t =$ 

STEP 10 Compute the ultimate pile capacity, Q<sub>u</sub>.

 $Q_u = R_s + R_t =$ 

STEP 11 Compute the allowable design load, Q<sub>a</sub> based on construction control as described in Section 9.6.

Based on construction control with static load testing  ${\rm Q}_{\rm a}{=}$ 

Based on construction control with the Gates Formula  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Q}}_a{=}$ 

# STUDENT EXERCISE #3 - $\alpha$ -METHOD PILE CAPACITY CALCULATION

Use the  $\alpha$ -Method and step by step procedure described in Section 9.7.1.2a to calculate the ultimate pile capacity and the allowable design load for a 356 mm square, prestressed concrete pile driven into the soil profile described below. The trial pile length for the calculation is 17 meters. The prestressed concrete pile has a pile-soil surface area of 1.42 m<sup>2</sup>/m and a pile toe area of 0.127 m<sup>2</sup>. Based on the soil profile, Figure 9.18 or 9.19(c) should be used to calculate pile capacity. The problem solution is presented in Appendix G. Note: the soil strengths provided are unconfined compression test results ( $c_u = q_u/2$ ).



#### STUDENT EXERCISE #3 - Q-METHOD - STEP BY STEP

STEP 1 Delineate the soil profile and determine the pile adhesion from Figure 9.18 or the adhesion factor from Figure 9.19(c).

The soil profile was delineated in the problem statement. The bottom of Layer 1 is at 9 meters. Therefore calculations for Layer 1 should be based on an embedded pile length to diameter ratio, D/b, of (9 m); / (.356 m) or 25. The bottom of Layer 2 is at 17 meters. Calculations for Layer 2 should then be based on an embedded pile length to diameter ratio, D/b, of (17 m) / (.356 m) or 48.

Using Figure 9.18, calculate the pile adhesion,  $c_a$ , for each layer:

Layer 1:  $C_{a1} =$ 

Layer 2:  $c_{a2} =$ 

or using Figure 9.19(c), calculate the adhesion on factor,  $\alpha$ , for each layer:

Layer 1:  $\alpha_1 =$ 

Layer 2:  $\alpha_2 =$ 

STEP 2 Compute the unit shaft resistance, f<sub>s</sub>, for each soil layer.

 $f_s = c_a \text{ or } \alpha (c_u)$ 

Layer 1:  $f_{s1} =$ 

Layer 2:  $f_{s2} =$ 

STEP 3 Compute the shaft resistance per layer and the ultimate shaft resistance.

The embedded pile length is 9 meters in Layer 1 and 8 meters in Layer 2. The pile-soil surface area was defined as  $1.42 \text{ m}^2/\text{m}$  in the problem statement.

Layer 1:  $R_{s1} = (f_{s1}) (A_s) (D_1) =$ 

Layer 2:  $R_{s2} = (f_{s2})(A_s)(D_2) =$ 

The ultimate shaft resistance,  $R_s$ , is the sum of the shaft resistance from each individual layer.

$$R_{s} = R_{s1} + R_{s2} =$$

STEP 4 Compute the unit toe resistance,  $q_t$  from 9  $c_u$ .

 $q_t =$ 

STEP 5 Compute the ultimate toe resistance, R<sub>t</sub>.

$$R_t = q_t A_t =$$

STEP 6 Compute the ultimate pile capacity, Q...

$$Q_u = R_s + R_t$$

STEP 7 Determine the allowable design load, Q<sub>a</sub> based on construction control method as described in Section 9.6.

Based on construction control with static load testing,  ${\rm Q}_{\rm a}$  =

Based on construction control with the Gates Formula,  ${\rm Q_a}$  =

# STUDENT EXERCISE #4 - $\alpha$ -METHOD & NORDLUND METHOD PILE CAPACITY CALCULATION IN A LAYERED SOIL PROFILE

Use the  $\alpha$ -Method described in Section 9.7.1.2a and the Nordlund Method described in Section 9.7.1.1b to calculate the ultimate pile capacity, the resistance to driving, and the allowable design load for a 324 mm O.D. closed end pipe pile driven into the soil profile described below. The trial pile length for the calculation is 19 meters below the pile cutoff elevation 1 meter below grade. The pipe pile has a pile-soil surface area of 1.02 m<sup>2</sup>/m and a pile toe area of 0.082 m<sup>2</sup>. Use Figure 9.18 to calculate the shaft resistance in the clay layer. The pile volume is 0.082 m<sup>3</sup>/m. The effective overburden at 17 m, the midpoint of the pile shaft in the sand layer is 177 kPa, and the effective overburden pressure at the pile toe is 204 kPa. The problem solution is presented in Appendix G. Note: the soil strengths provided are unconfined compression test results ( $c_u = q_u / 2$ ).



#### STUDENT EXERCISE #4 - α-METHOD & NORDLUND METHOD - STEP BY STEP

### Calculate the Shaft Resistance in the Clay Layer Using $\alpha$ -Method

STEP 1 Delineate the soil profile and determine the pile adhesion from Figure 9.18.

Layer 1:  $q_u = 260 \text{ kPa so } c_u =$ 

D/b =

Therefore  $c_a =$ 

STEP 2 Compute the unit shaft resistance, f<sub>s</sub> for each soil layer.

STEP 3 Compute the shaft resistance in the clay layer.

Layer 1:  $R_{s1} = (f_{s1})(A_s)(D_1) =$ 

#### Calculate the Shaft Resistance in the Sand Layer Using Nordlund Method

STEP 1 The  $p_o$  diagram, soil layer determination, and the soil friction angle,  $\phi$ , for each soil layer were presented in the problem introduction.

STEP 2 Determine  $\delta$ .

a. Compute volume of soil displaced per unit length of pile, V.

 $V = 0.082 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$  (per problem description)

b. Determine  $\delta/\phi$  from Figure 9.10.

 $V = 0.082 \text{ m}^3/\text{m} \rightarrow \delta/\phi = \text{ or } \delta = \phi$ 

c. Calculate  $\delta$  for each soil layer based on  $\delta = \phi$ 

Layer 2:  $\delta_2 =$ 

STEP 3 Determine  $K_{\delta}$  for each soil layer based on displaced volume, V, and pile taper angle,  $\omega$ .

Layer 2: For  $\phi = 35^\circ$ , V = 0.082 m<sup>3</sup>/m and  $\omega = 0^\circ$ 

d. From Figure 9.13:  $K_{\delta} = 1.15$  for V = 0.0093 m<sup>3</sup>/m  $K_{\delta} = 1.75$  for V = 0.093 m<sup>3</sup>/m

Using log linear interpolation  $K_{\delta} = 1.72$  for V = 0.082 m<sup>3</sup>/m

STEP 4 Determine correction factor,  $C_F$ , to be applied to  $K_{\delta}$  when  $\delta \neq \phi$  (Figure 9.15.)

Layer 2:  $\phi = 35^{\circ}$  and  $\delta/\phi = \rightarrow C_F =$ 

STEP 5 Compute effective overburden pressure at midpoint of each soil layer,  $p_d$ .

From problem description,  $p_d$  for layer 2 is 177 kPa.

STEP 6 Compute the shaft resistance for each soil layer.

 $R_s = K_\delta C_F p_d \sin \delta C_d D$ 

- $C_d$  = pile perimeter = 1.02 m<sup>2</sup>/m (given)
- D = embedded length in layer

Layer 2:  $R_{s2} =$ 

Compute the Ultimate Shaft Resistance, R<sub>s</sub>

$$R_{s} = R_{s1} + R_{s2} =$$

#### Compute the Ultimate Toe Resistance, R<sub>t</sub>

STEP 7 Determine  $\alpha_t$  coefficient and bearing capacity factor N'<sub>q</sub> from  $\phi$  angle of 35° at pile toe and Figures 9.16(a) and 9.16(b)

At pile toe depth  $\rightarrow$  D/b =

From Figure 9.16(a)  $\rightarrow \alpha_t =$ 

From Figure 9.16(b)  $\rightarrow$  N'<sub>q</sub> =

STEP 8 Compute effective overburden pressure at pile toe.

 $p_t =$ 

- STEP 9 Compute the ultimate toe resistance, R<sub>t</sub>.
  - a.  $R_t = \alpha_t N'_q A_t p_t$
  - b.  $R_t = q_L A_t$  (q<sub>L</sub> determined from Figure 9.17)
  - c. Use lesser value of R, from Step 9a and 9b. Therefore,  $R_t =$

STEP 10 Compute the ultimate pile capacity, Q<sub>u</sub>.

 $Q_u = R_s + R_t =$ 

STEP 11 Compute the allowable design load, Q<sub>a</sub>, based on construction control methods as described in Section 9.6.

Based on construction control with a static test,  $Q_a =$ 

Based on construction control using the Gates Formula,  $Q_a =$ 

## Calculation of the Resistance to Driving

The clay layer has a set-up factor of 1.75 and the sand layer has a set-up factor of 1.0.

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# STUDENT EXERCISE #5 - EFFECTIVE STRESS PILE CAPACITY CALCULATION IN A LAYERED SOIL PROFILE

Use the Effective Stress Method described in Section 9.7.1.3 to calculate the ultimate pile capacity, the resistance to driving, and the allowable design load for a 324 mm O.D. closed end pipe pile driven into the soil profile described below. The trial pile length for the calculation is 19 meters below the pile cutoff elevation 1 meter below grade. The pipe pile has a pile-soil surface area of 1.02 m<sup>2</sup>/m and a pile toe area of 0.082 m<sup>2</sup>. Use Table 9-4 or Figure 9.20 to determine  $\beta$  values for calculation of the shaft resistance and Table 9-4 or Figure 9.21 for calculation of N<sub>t</sub>. The effective overburden at the midpoint of the pile shaft in the clay layer is 85 kPa and 177 kPa at the midpoint of the sand layer. The effective overburden pressure at the pile toe is 204 kPa.

During driving, the excess pore pressure generated in the clay layer at the pile-soil interface is expected to be 1.4 times the effective overburden pressure based on Figure 9.56. Therefore, use an average effective overburden pressure of 29.5 kPa at the midpoint of the pile shaft in the clay layer to calculate the shaft resistance in the clay layer during driving.



#### STUDENT EXERCISE #5 - EFFECTIVE STRESS METHOD - STEP BY STEP

STEP 1 Delineate the soil profile and determine the  $\phi$ ' angle for each layer. The soil profile and  $\phi$ ' angle were given in the problem description.

STEP 2 Select the  $\beta$  coefficient for each soil layer.

Layer 1:  $\phi' = 27.5^\circ \rightarrow \beta_1 =$ 

Layer 2:  $\phi' = 35^\circ \rightarrow \beta_2 =$ 

STEP 3 Compute the unit shaft resistance, f<sub>s</sub>, in each layer.

Layer 1:  $f_{s1} = \beta_1 (p_0) =$ 

Layer 2:  $f_{s2} = \beta_2 (p_0) =$ 

STEP 4 Compute the shaft resistance for each layer and the ultimate shaft resistance.

The shaft resistance for each layer is as follows:

Layer 1:  $R_{s1} = (f_{s1})(A_s)(D_1) =$ 

Layer 2: 
$$R_{s2} = (f_{s2})(A_s)(D_2) =$$

The ultimate shaft resistance, R<sub>s</sub> is as follows:

$$R_{s} = R_{s1} + R_{s2} =$$

STEP 5 Compute the unit toe resistance,  $q_t$ , using Figure 9.21 and  $\phi$ ' at pile toe.

STEP 6 Compute the ultimate toe resistance, R<sub>t</sub>.

$$R_t = q_t A_t =$$

STEP 7 Compute the ultimate pile capacity, Q<sub>u</sub>.

$$\mathsf{Q}_{\mathsf{u}} \quad = \mathsf{R}_{\mathsf{s}} \, + \, \mathsf{R}_{\mathsf{t}} =$$

STEP 8 Compute the allowable design load, Q<sub>a</sub>, based on construction control method as described in Section 9.6.

Based on construction control with static load testing,  $Q_a =$ 

Based on construction control with the Gates Formula,  $Q_a =$ 

## Calculation of the Resistance to Driving

The average effective overburden pressure in the clay layer during driving is estimated to be 29.5 kPa. Therefore, the average unit shaft resistance in the clay layer at the time of driving should be calculated using this effective overburden pressure. The shaft and toe resistance from the sand layer are unchanged. The resistance at the time of driving,  $Q_{\rm D}$ , is:

$$Q_D =$$

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# STUDENT EXERCISE #6 - LPC METHOD PILE CAPACITY CALCULATION

Cone Penetration Test (CPT) data for a site identified three soil layers having the average CPT results presented below. Use the LPC Method described in Section 9.7.1.7b to calculate the ultimate pile capacity and the allowable design load for a 324 mm diameter closed end pipe pile. Use a trial pile length of 21 meters. The pipe pile has a pile-soil surface area of  $1.02 \text{ m}^2/\text{m}$  and a pile toe area of  $0.083 \text{ m}^2$ . Previous load test data is not available in the project vicinity. Use Figure 5.2 to characterize the subsurface conditions. The problem solution is presented in Appendix G.





Modified from Figure 5.2 (Simplified Soil Classified Chart for Standard Electronic Friction Cone after Robertson *et al.*, 1986)

Zone	q <sub>e</sub> ∕N	Soil Behavior Type
1)	2	sensitive fine grained
2)	1	organic material
3)	1	clay
4)	1.5	silty clay to clay
5)	2	clayey silt to silty clay
6)	2.5	sandy silt to clayey silt
7)	3	silty sand to sandy silt
8)	4	sand to silty sand
9)	5	sand
10)	6	gravelly sand to sand
11)	1	very stiff fine grained
12)	2	sand to clayey sand

#### STUDENT EXERCISE #6 - LPC METHOD - STEP BY STEP

STEP 1 Delineate the soil profile. Using the cone tip resistance, q<sub>c</sub>, and the friction ratio, R<sub>f</sub>, values in Figure 5.2, the soil profile can be characterized as follows:

Layer 1:  $q_c = 1500$  kPa and  $R_f = 3.5$ , the soil type is:

Layer 2:  $q_c = 4500$  kPa and  $R_f = 0.5$ , the soil type is:

Layer 3:  $q_c = 25000$  kPa and  $R_f = 0.5$ , the soil type is:

STEP 2 Determine the unit shaft resistance for each soil layer.

From Table 9-7, the pile type is:

The unit shaft resistance for each layer can be determine from Tables 9-8(a) and 9-8(b) along with Figures 9.25(a) and 9.25(b).

Layer 1:  $f_{s1} =$ 

Layer 2: f<sub>s2</sub> =

Layer 3:  $f_{s3} =$ 

STEP 3 Compute the shaft resistance per layer and the ultimate shaft resistance.

Layer 1: The unit shaft resistance,  $f_{s1} =$ 

The shaft resistance in this layer can be calculated from:

$$R_{s1} = (f_{s1})(A_s)(D_1) =$$

Layer 2: The unit shaft resistance,  $f_{s2} =$ 

The shaft resistance in this layer can be calculated from:

$$R_{s2} = (f_{s2})(A_s)(D_2) =$$

Layer 3: The unit shaft resistance,  $f_{s3} =$ 

The shaft resistance in this layer can be calculated from:

$$R_{s3} = (f_{s3})(A_s)(D_3) =$$

The ultimate shaft resistance,  $R_s$ , is the sum of the shaft resistance from each individual layer.

$$R_{s} = R_{s1} + R_{s2} + R_{s3} =$$

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a. The average cone tip resistance is 25000 kPa.	
b. From Table 9-9, the cone bearing capacity factor, $K_c =$	
c. The unit pile toe resistance is then:	
$q_t = K_c q_c =$	
Compute the ultimate toe resistance, R <sub>t</sub> .	ST
$R_t = q_t A_t =$	
Compute the ultimate pile capacity, Q <sub>u</sub> .	ST
$Q_u = R_s + R_t =$	
Determine the allowable design load, $Q_a$ , based on construction control method as described in Section 9.6.	ST
Based on construction control using a static test, $Q_a =$	-
Based on construction control using the Gates Formula, $Q_a =$	

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## STUDENT EXERCISE #7 - PILE GROUP SETTLEMENT IN LAYERED PROFILE

A pile group is to be installed in a fine to medium silty sand deposit that is underlain by a stiff clay layer and then a very dense fine to coarse sand layer. The pile group has a total **design** load of 16,000 kN. The pile group has a plan area of 3 m by 10 m. Use the pile group settlement method for layered soils described in Section 9.8.2.4 to calculate the settlement of the pile group depicted on the following page. For ease of calculation, compute the settlements for each soil layer below the equivalent footing depth using the layer thickness rather than breaking the profile into 1.5 to 3 m thick layers as described in Section 9.8.2.4. Also do not calculate the elastic pile deformation for this problem. Based on your calculation, is the pile group settlement acceptable?

The soil layers have the following properties:

In the zone below the equivalent footing location, the fine to medium sand has an average corrected SPT resistance value of 30 as determined using a SPT safety hammer. The existing overburden pressure at the midpoint of the sand layer below the equivalent footing location is 190 kPa and the corresponding pressure increase at this point is 133 kPa.

The stiff clay layer has an initial void ratio  $e_o$  of 0.80, a preconsolidation pressure,  $p_c$ , of 247 kPa, a compression index,  $C_c$  of 0.30 and recompression index  $C_{cr}$ , of 0.03. The existing overburden pressure at the midpoint of the clay layer is 247 kPa and the corresponding pressure increase at this depth is 54 kPa.

The underlying very dense fine to coarse sand layer has an average corrected SPT resistance value of 60 determined by a SPT safety hammer. The pressure increase is less than 10% of the effective overburden pressure at a depth of 32 meters. At the midpoint of the affected portion of the lower sand layer (30.5 m), the effective overburden pressure is 297 kPa and the pressure increase is 34 kPa.

To solve this problem you will need to calculate the sand layer settlement from the equation on page 9-114 and Figure 9.45 on page 9-115. The clay layer settlement should be calculated using the properties described above and the appropriate equation on page 9-111. (Note the terms for these equations are on page 9-108).



Remember settlement computations are based on the design load rather than ultimate loads.

#### STUDENT EXERCISE #7 - PILE GROUP SETTLEMENT - STEP BY STEP

STEP 1 Calculate the settlement of the fine to medium silty sand layer using the following equation after determining the bearing capacity index for the layer from Figure 9.45.

Layer 1: 
$$s_1 = H\left[\frac{1}{C'}\log \frac{p_0 + \Delta p}{p_0}\right] =$$

STEP 2 Calculate settlement in clay layer after determining appropriate settlement equation from page 9-111.

Layer 2: 
$$s_2 =$$

STEP 3 Calculate the settlement of the very dense, fine to coarse sand layer after determining the index value from Figure 9.45.

Layer 3: 
$$s_3 = H\left[\frac{1}{C'}\log \frac{p_0 + \Delta p}{p_0}\right] =$$

STEP 4 Compute total settlement:

$$s = s_1 + s_2 + s_3 =$$

Is the pile group settlement acceptable?

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#### STUDENT EXERCISE #8 - BROMS' METHOD LATERAL CAPACITY ANALYSIS

Perform a lateral capacity analysis using the Broms' method by following the step by step procedure outlined in Section 9.7.3.2. The pile is a 356-mm square prestressed concrete, which has been driven to a total penetration of 11 meters below grade. The subsurface conditions are presented below. Calculate the maximum allowable lateral load of the pile, and the corresponding deflection at this maximum allowable load. Evaluate the total lateral load capacity of the pile group consisting of 24 piles at 1.5 meters center to center spacing. Assume the pile is to be used in group under a pile cap (fixed head  $e_c=0$ ) with the possibility of cyclic loading during service life. The following pile properties are given: E = 27,800 MPa;  $f'_c = 34.5$  MPa;  $I=1.32 \times 10^{-3} \text{m}^4$ ; and  $S = 7.46 \times 10^{-3} \text{m}^3$ . The problem solution is presented in Appendix G.



#### EXERCISE #8 - BROMS' METHOD - STEP BY STEP

- STEP 1 Determine the general soil type within the critical depth below ground surface (about 4 or 5 pile diameters).
- STEP 2 Determine the coefficient of horizontal subgrade reaction, K<sub>h</sub>, within the critical depth based on cohesive or cohesionless soils.
- STEP 3 Adjust K<sub>h</sub> for loading and soil conditions.

 $K_h =$ 

- STEP 4 Determine pile parameters.
  - a. Modulus of elasticity, E = 27,800 MPa
  - b. Moment of inertia,  $I = 1.32 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^4$
  - c. Section modulus,  $S = 7.46 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3$
  - d. Ultimate compressive strength,  $f'_c = 34.5$  MPa
  - e. Embedded pile length, D = 11 m
  - f. Pile width, b = 0.356 m
  - g. Eccentricity of applied load,  $e_c = 0$  for fixed-headed pile
  - h. Dimensionless shape factor, C<sub>s</sub>, applied only to steel piles.
  - i. Resisting moment of pile,  $M_y = f'_c S$  for concrete piles

$$M_y =$$

STEP 5 Determine  $\eta$  for cohesionless soils.

$$\eta = \sqrt[5]{K_h/EI} =$$

STEP 6 Determine the dimensionless length factor for cohesionless soil.

 $\eta D =$ 

STEP 7 Determine if pile is long or short according to the cohesionless soil criteria.

STEP 8 Determine other soil parameters.

a. Rankine passive pressure coefficient for cohesionless soil, K<sub>p</sub>, is:

 $K_p = tan^2 (45 + \phi/2) =$ 

b. Average effective soil unit weight over embedded pile length,  $\gamma$  (kN/m<sup>3</sup>).  $\gamma$  =

STEP 9 Determine the ultimate (failure) load, Q<sub>u</sub>, for a single pile.

- a. Calculate  $\frac{M_y}{b^4 \gamma K_p} =$
- b. With solution from Step 9a, enter Figure 9.30 and determine  $Q_{\rm u}/(K_{\rm p}~b^3~\gamma)$  from fixed head curve.
- c. From Step 9b,  $Q_u/(K_p b^3 \gamma) =$  Solve for  $Q_u$

STEP 10 Calculate the maximum allowable working load for a single pile, Q<sub>m</sub>, from the ultimate load, Q<sub>u</sub>, determined in Step 9, as shown in Figure 9.31.

$$Q_m = \frac{Q_u}{2.5} =$$

STEP 11 Calculate the deflection, y, corresponding to the working load, Qa.

(Since neither the working load,  $Q_a$ , nor the design deflection at the ground surface, y, are given, use  $Q_m$  to calculate  $y_m$ .)

- STEP 12 Compare the design load  $Q_a$ , and design deflection, y, (if available) with the maximum allowable working load,  $Q_m$ , and deflection,  $y_m$ .
- STEP 13 Reduce the allowable load selected to account for group effects and method of installation based on Table on page 9-87.
  - a. Group effects.
  - b. Method of installation.
- STEP 14 Compute the total lateral load capacity of the pile group.

# 10. OVERVIEW OF DYNAMIC ANALYSIS METHODS

Dynamic analysis methods can be defined as analytical techniques for evaluating the soil resistance against which the pile is driven. A pile foundation designed to meet compression, uplift, and lateral load performance requirements using the static design methods presented in Chapter 9 is of little use if it cannot be installed as designed and without damage. The ability of a selected pile section to be driven within allowable driving stress limits to the required ultimate capacity and to the minimum pile penetration depth should be evaluated by the foundation designer during the design stage through modern dynamic analysis methods.

The soil resistance acting against the pile during driving consists of both static and dynamic resistance components. Of primary interest is the static resistance component because this is the only resistance available to support the applied loads. At the time of driving, the static resistance component is in most cases only a portion of the ultimate pile capacity. The dynamic soil resistance, or damping force, is the temporary viscous resistance to pile penetration during driving but does not provide long term support under static loading conditions.

Traditional dynamic analysis techniques have been dynamic formulas such as the Engineering News formula. Depending upon the formula used, an estimate of the allowable or ultimate pile capacity relative to the pile driving resistance at the time of driving is obtained. Unfortunately, dynamic formulas have fundamental weaknesses in that they do not adequately model the dynamics of the hammer-pile impact, the influence of axial pile stiffness, or the soil response. Dynamic formulas have also proven unreliable in determining pile capacity in many circumstances. Their continued use is not recommended on significant projects.

Wave equation analysis, Goble and Rausche (1986), is the most readily available modern dynamic analysis tool available to the foundation designer during the design stage. A detailed discussion of the wave equation method is presented in Chapter 17. Dynamic testing and analysis, Goble and Hussein (1994), Hannigan (1990) is an additional modern dynamic analysis tool that can be used if a design stage test program is planned. Additional details on dynamic testing and analysis methods are presented in Chapter 18.

These modern dynamic analysis methods not only provide an estimate of the ultimate pile capacity relative to pile driving resistance, but also include an evaluation of pile driving stresses. The proper application of modern dynamic analysis methods is to match the hammer size and pile section to the static and dynamic soil resistance to be overcome to achieve the ultimate pile capacity or to reach the specified pile penetration depth.

# 10.1 NEED FOR MODERN DYNAMIC ANALYSIS METHODS

Piles are forced into the ground by dynamic means such as impact or vibration. A successful pile foundation which meets the design objectives depends largely on relating the static analysis results presented on the plans to the dynamic methods of field installation and control. During the design and construction stage, the following site specific questions often arise:

- 1. Can the design pile section be driven to the required penetration depth and capacity with readily available pile hammers (design stage) or a proposed hammer (construction stage)?
- 2. What soil resistance must be overcome? With the anticipated or proposed hammer, what will be the maximum driving resistance required to overcome this soil resistance and what will be the maximum stresses experienced by the design pile section during driving?
- 3. If a specific hammer cannot drive the design pile section to the required depth and/or capacity within allowable driving stresses, what hammer characteristics could be specified (design stage) or obtained (construction stage) to drive the pile?

To answer these and other questions that may arise with a specific pile foundation, rational analysis of the hammer-cushion-pile-soil system through modern dynamic analysis methods is invaluable. Experience alone, however important, is not sufficient to answer the above questions.

As noted earlier, the traditional method for field verification of pile capacity has been dynamic formulas, which are discussed in greater detail in Chapter 16. Unfortunately, dynamic formulas have fundamental weaknesses and cannot reliably answer any of the above questions. Dynamic formulas do not provide pile driving stresses and, in many circumstances, have proven unreliable in determining pile capacity. Therefore, their continued use is not recommended on significant projects.

Modern dynamic analysis methods should be used in both the design and construction stages of a project. In a design stage evaluation, wave equation analyses may indicate that the contemplated pile section cannot be driven to the required pile penetration depth and/or ultimate capacity within the allowable driving stresses or within a reasonable driving resistance. A design change should then be considered. The wave equation can then be used to evaluate what changes can be made in pile size, pile type, pile material properties, hammer size, or what installation techniques can be specified to achieve the desired foundation. If a test pile program is performed during the design stage, then information from dynamic testing and analysis of test piles in conjunction with wave equation analyses can be used to evaluate design change alternatives.

If a project is designed without modern dynamic analysis methods, and then problems are detected when these methods are implemented during the construction stage, problem solutions may not be quite as easy. In this case, equipment and materials may already be on-site, thereby limiting potential solutions. For example, few cost effective options exist once a thin walled pipe pile lacking the required driveability arrives on site. In this example, it may be necessary to reduce the ultimate capacity per pile and increase the number of piles, use a pile installation aid such as predrilling, or order new piling having the necessary driveability, assuming that the hammer and crane are still suitably sized. While a construction stage problem is more complicated, modern dynamic analysis methods still offer the most rational way of determining the most cost effective solution.

## 10.2 METHODS OF MODERN DYNAMIC ANALYSIS

There are two methods of modern dynamic analysis. These include:

- a. Wave equation analysis.
- b. Dynamic testing and analysis.

The wave equation is a computer simulation of the pile driving process that models wave propagation through the hammer-pile-soil system. This computer analysis can be readily used in either the design or construction stage to rationally evaluate pile driveability, size driving equipment, calculate driving stresses, and assess ultimate pile capacity versus pile penetration resistance. These analyses are a significant improvement over the use of dynamic formulas. Two limitations of wave equation analysis involve assumptions that must be made on drive system performance and on the soil model, (*i.e.*, the soil resistance distribution, and the soil quake and damping parameters).

Dynamic testing and analysis consists of measuring strain and acceleration near the pile head during driving, or restriking using a Pile Driving Analyzer or similar data processing device conforming to ASTM D-4945 (1989). The strain and acceleration signals are used to calculate quantities such as energy transfer, pile driving stresses, and estimates of ultimate pile capacity. Further analysis of dynamic testing data using signal matching methods can also characterize the soil model. The information from dynamic testing on drive system performance and the soil model can be used to improve the accuracy of wave equation results. Dynamic testing and analysis offers a significantly better evaluation method and construction control as compared to dynamic formulas.

## 10.3 DRIVING RESISTANCE CRITERIA

The foundation designer should specify the dynamic analysis method to be used for determination of the driving resistance criteria. The driving resistance criteria usually consists of a specified penetration resistance at a given hammer stroke and, in some cases, a minimum pile penetration depth.

In the past, dynamic formulas were the primary means of establishing the driving resistance criteria. As discussed elsewhere in this manual, dynamic formulas do not provide information on pile driving stresses and, in many circumstances, have proven unreliable in determining pile capacity. Therefore, their continued use is not recommended on significant projects.

The wave equation analysis offers a rational means of establishing a relationship between the static pile capacity of a driven pile with the number of blows per 0.25 meter required by a particular hammer to drive a selected pile to an ultimate capacity in a given soil situation. The driving criteria established from wave equation analysis should be substantiated by static load tests whenever possible.

Dynamic testing and analysis of indicator or test piles allows an assessment of the static pile capacity during driving. This is also an appropriate means of establishing a driving criteria. Again, the driving criteria established by dynamic testing and analysis should be substantiated by static load tests whenever possible.

A driving criteria should also consider time dependent changes in pile capacity. Hence, lower driving resistances than required may be acceptable in soils where soil setup is expected, as are higher driving resistances in cases where relaxation is anticipated. Once again the driving criteria should be substantiated by static load tests whenever possible. In cases where time dependent soil strength changes are anticipated, load tests should be delayed an appropriate waiting period until the anticipated soil strength changes have occurred. Approximate waiting periods for various soil types were discussed in Sections 9.10.1.1 and 9.10.1.2 of Chapter 9.

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## 11. ALLOWABLE PILE STRESSES

This chapter deals with the static and dynamic structural pile capacity in terms of allowable stresses for pile materials. Any driven pile has to remain structurally intact and not be stressed to its structural limit during its service life under static loading conditions as well as under dynamic driving induced loads. Therefore, material stress limits are placed on:

1. The maximum allowable design stress during the service life.

2. The maximum allowable driving stresses.

Additional material stress limits, beyond the design and driving stress limits presented in this chapter, may apply to prevent buckling of piles when a portion of the pile is in air, water, or soil not capable of adequate lateral support. In these cases, the structural design of the pile should also be in accordance with the requirements of Sections 8, 9, 10, and 13 of AASHTO code (1994) for compression members.

## 11.1 FACTORS AFFECTING ALLOWABLE DESIGN STRESSES

Traditionally, the allowable design stress was determined by dividing the ultimate stress of the pile material by a gross factor of safety. The gross factor of safety was based on past experience and includes consideration of load and structural resistance variations. The allowable design stresses in this chapter are in conformance with AASHTO (1994) specifications.

Allowable design stresses for piles are a function of the following variables:

1. Average section strength from an acceptance test such as:

- a.  $f_y$  (yield strength) for steel piles.
- b. f'<sub>c</sub> (unit ultimate strength from 28-day cylinder test for concrete).
- c. Wood crushing strengths.

- 2. Reduction for defects such as knots in timber.
- 3. Reduction for section treatment such as preservation treatment of wood.
- 4.  $\phi$  factor which allows for variations in materials, construction dimensions, and calculation approximations. These items are partially under the engineer's control.
- 5. Load factor to account for the possibility that design service loads may be exceeded.
  - a. Among other causes, increase in load may occur due to overloads permitted on a bridge, pile mislocation, differential settlement and unaccounted negative shaft resistance or downdrag load.
  - b. Decrease in resistance offered by the pile may occur due to variability in pile material properties, corrosion, heave, or undetected driving induced damage.

## 11.2 DRIVING STRESSES

In almost all cases, the highest stress levels occur in a pile during driving. High driving stresses are necessary to cause pile penetration. The pile must be stressed to overcome the ultimate soil resistance, plus any dynamic resistance forces, in order to be driven to the required penetration depth to support the pile design load. The high strain rate and temporary nature of the loading during pile driving allow a substantially higher driving stress limitation than for the static design case. Wave equation analyses can be used for predicting driving stresses prior to installation. During installation, dynamic testing can be used to calculate driving stresses.

# 11.3 AASHTO ALLOWABLE DESIGN AND DRIVING STRESSES

The limitations on maximum allowable static design stresses for driven piles in various codes generally represent the static load capacity which can be consistently developed with traditional driving equipment and methods.

The pile material ultimate strength must be greater than the ultimate pile-soil resistance. The recommended AASHTO limits for maximum pile design stresses will generally keep the driving stresses within recommended limits.

## 11.3.1 Steel H-piles

a. Design Stresses

Table 11-1 contains the AASHTO recommended design and driving stresses for axially loaded steel H-piles in terms of the steel yield stress,  $f_y$ . AASHTO limits the maximum allowable design stress to 0.25  $f_y$ . For A-36 steel with a yield stress of 248 MPa, this results in a maximum design stress of 62 MPa. AASHTO allows the design stress to be increased to a maximum of 0.33  $f_y$  in conditions where pile damage is unlikely. However, static and/or dynamic load tests confirming satisfactory results should be performed for design at this stress level. For A-36 steel, a design stress of 0.33  $f_y$  corresponds to a design stress of 82 MPa.

b. Driving Stresses

AASHTO specifications limit the maximum compression and tension driving stresses to 0.9  $f_y$ . For A-36 steel, this results in a maximum driving stress of 223 MPa.

TABLE 11-1	MAXIMUM	ALLOWABLE STRESSES FOR STEEL H-PILES
		AASHTO (1994) Recommendations
Design Stresses	0.25 f <sub>y</sub>	
	>0.25 f <sub>y</sub>	If damage is unlikely and load tests are performed. Evaluation of load test results by the engineer confirms satisfactory results.
	0.33 f <sub>y</sub>	If damage is unlikely, and confirming load tests are performed and evaluated by engineer.
Driving Stresses	0.9 f <sub>y</sub>	
	223 MPa	for ASTM A-36 ( $f_y = 248$ MPa)
	310 MPa	for ASTM A-572 or A-690, GR50 ( $f_y = 345$ MPa)*

\* FHWA experience with allowable driving stresses of 0.9 f<sub>y</sub> for high strength steel is limited. The designer should adequately detail splice requirements for high driving stress levels.

#### 11.3.2 Steel Pipe Piles (unfilled)

a. Design Stresses

Table 11-2 summarizes the AASHTO recommended design and driving stresses for axially loaded unfilled steel pipe piles in terms of the steel yield stress,  $f_y$ . The maximum AASHTO allowable design stress is limited to 0.25  $f_y$ . For ASTM A-252, Grade 2 steel with a yield stress of 241 MPa, this results in a maximum design stress of 60 MPa. AASHTO allows the design stress to be increased to a maximum of 0.33  $f_y$  in conditions where pile damage is unlikely. However, static and/or dynamic load tests confirming satisfactory results should be performed for design at this stress level. For ASTM A-252, Grade 2 steel, a design stress of 0.33  $f_y$  corresponds to a design stress of 79 MPa.

#### b. Driving Stresses

AASHTO specifications limit the maximum driving stresses to 0.9  $f_y$ . For A-252 Grade 2 steel, this results in a maximum driving stress of 217 MPa.

TABLE 11-2 MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE STRESSES FOR UNFILLED STEEL PIPE PILES	
	AASHTO (1994) Recommendations
0.25 f <sub>y</sub>	
>0.25 f <sub>y</sub>	If damage is unlikely and load tests are performed. Evaluation of load test results by the engineer confirms satisfactory results.
0.33 f <sub>y</sub>	If damage is unlikely, and confirming load tests are performed and evaluated by engineer.
0.9 f <sub>y</sub>	
186 MPa	for ASTM A-252, Grade 1 ( $f_y = 207$ MPa)
217 MPa	for ASTM A-252, Grade 2 ( $f_y = 241$ MPa)
279 MPa	for ASTM A-252, Grade 3 ( $f_y = 310 \text{ MPa}$ )*
	UM ALLOV 0.25 f <sub>y</sub> >0.25 f <sub>y</sub> 0.33 f <sub>y</sub> 0.9 f <sub>y</sub> 186 MPa 217 MPa 279 MPa

 \* FHWA experience with allowable driving stresses of 0.9 f<sub>y</sub> for high strength steel is limited. The designer should adequately detail splice requirements for high driving stress levels.

#### 11.3.3 Steel Pipe Piles (top driven and concrete filled)

a. Design Stresses

Table 11-3 summarizes the AASHTO (1994) recommended design and driving stresses for axially loaded, top driven and concrete filled pipe piles in terms of the steel yield stress,  $f_y$ , and the concrete compressive strength,  $f'_c$ . These requirements are also applicable to Monotube piles. AASHTO limits the maximum allowable design stress to the sum of 0.25  $f_y$  on the steel cross sectional area plus 0.40  $f'_c$  on the concrete cross sectional area.

## b. Driving Stresses

Concrete filled pipe piles are generally unfilled when driven. Hence, the AASHTO recommended driving stress for unfilled steel pipe piles apply.

TABLE 11-3 MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE STRESSES FOR TOP DRIVEN, CONCRETE FILLED, STEEL PIPE PILES		
	AASHTO (1994) Recommendations	
Design Stresses	0.25 f <sub>y</sub> (on steel area) plus	
	0.40 f' <sub>c</sub> (on concrete area)	
Driving Stresses	0.9 f <sub>y</sub>	
	186 MPa for ASTM A-252, Grade 1 (f <sub>y</sub> = 207 MPa)	
	217 MPa for ASTM A-252, Grade 2 (f <sub>y</sub> = 241 MPa)	
	279 MPa for ASTM A-252, Grade 3 ( $f_y = 310$ MPa)*	

\* FHWA experience with allowable driving stresses of 0.9 f<sub>y</sub> for high strength steel is limited. The designer should adequately detail splice requirements for high driving stress levels.

## 11.3.4 Precast, Prestressed Concrete Piles

#### a. Design Stresses

Table 11-4 summarizes the AASHTO recommended design and driving stresses for axially loaded prestressed concrete piles in terms of the concrete compression strength,  $f'_c$ , and the effective prestress after losses,  $f_{pe}$ . Both  $f'_c$ and  $f_{pe}$  must be in MPa. Prestressed concrete piles fully embedded in soils providing lateral support are limited to a maximum design stress of 0.33  $f'_c$  -0.27  $f_{pe}$  on the gross cross sectional area of the concrete. The concrete must have a minimum 28 day compression strength of 34.5 MPa.

#### b. Driving Stresses

AASHTO specifications limit the maximum allowable compression driving stress to 0.85 times the concrete compressive strength,  $f'_c$ , minus the effective prestress after losses,  $f_{pe}$ . Tension driving stresses are limited to 0.25 times the square root of the concrete compressive strength plus the effective prestress after losses in normal environments, or to the effective prestress after losses in severe corrosive environments. The compression and tension driving stress limits are on the gross concrete area.

Control of driving stresses is particularly important when driving prestressed concrete piles at high driving stress levels while penetrating through dense soil layers into underlying weaker soils.

TABLE 11-4 MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE STRESSES FOR PRECAST, PRESTRESSED, CONCRETE PILES			
	AASH	ITO (1994) Recom	mendations
Design Stresses	0.33 f' <sub>c</sub> - 0.27 f <sub>pe</sub> (or	n gross concrete a	rea)
	f' <sub>c</sub> minimum of 34	.5 MPa	
	f <sub>pe</sub> generally > 5 N	MPa	
Driving Stresses	Compression Limit	< 0.85 f' <sub>c</sub> - f <sub>pe</sub>	(on gross concrete area)
	Tension Limit (1)	< 0. $25\sqrt{f'_{c}} + f_{pe}$	(on gross concrete area)
	Tension Limit (2)	$< f_{pe}$	(on gross concrete area)
	(1) - Normal Envir	onments	
	(2) - Severe Corro	osive Environments	
	Note: f' <sub>c</sub> and f <sub>pe</sub> m	ust be in MPa.	

#### 11.3.5 Conventionally Reinforced Concrete Piles

#### a. Design Stresses

Table 11-5 summarizes the AASHTO recommended design and driving stresses for axially loaded reinforced concrete piles in terms of the concrete compression strength,  $f'_{c}$ , and the yield strength of the reinforcing steel,  $f_{y}$ . The recommended maximum allowable design stress is limited to 0.33  $f'_{c}$  on the gross cross sectional area of the concrete. The concrete must have a minimum 28 day compression strength of 34.5 MPa.

#### b. Driving Stresses

AASHTO specifications limit the maximum allowable compression driving stress to 0.85  $f'_c$  and the maximum tension driving stress to 0.70  $f_v$ .

Control of driving stresses is particularly important when driving reinforced concrete piles at high driving stress levels while penetrating through dense soil layers into underlying weaker soils.

TABLE 11-5 MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE STRESSES FOR CONVENTIONALLY REINFORCED CONCRETE PILES	
	AASHTO (1994) Recommendations
Design Stresses	0.33 f' <sub>c</sub> (on gross concrete area) f' <sub>c</sub> minimum of 34.5 MPa
Driving Stresses	Compression Limit< 0.85 $f'_c$ Tension Limit< 0.70 $f_y$ (of steel reinforcement)

#### 11.3.6 Timber Piles

#### a. Design Stresses

Table 11-6 summarizes AASHTO recommended design and driving stresses for axially loaded timber piles in terms of the maximum allowable design stress in compression parallel to the grain,  $\sigma_a$ . This value varies depending upon the timber species, and for the common species listed in the table below ranges from about 5.5 MPa to 8.3 MPa. The resulting maximum design load is based upon the allowable design stress times the pile toe area.

The engineer can specify species of timber piles but can seldom specify subspecies which have a wide range of strengths. There is a large natural variability of clear wood strength and natural growth imperfections which can also significantly affect wood strength. Therefore, while a high design stress may be allowed, engineering judgement must also be used, taking into account the above factors as well as the installation conditions.

b. Driving Stresses

AASHTO specifications limit maximum allowable compression and tension driving stresses to 3 times the allowable design stress from Table 11-6.

TABLE 11-6 MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE STRESSES FOR TIMBER PILES		
	AASHTO (1994) Recommendations	
Design Stresses	5.5 to 8.3 MPa (for pile toe area depending upon species)	
	Southern Pine $\sigma_a$ = 8.3 MPaDouglas Fir $\sigma_a$ = 8.3 MPaRed Oak $\sigma_a$ = 7.6 MPaEastern Hemlock $\sigma_a$ = 5.5 MPa	
Driving Stresses	Compression Limit < 3 $\sigma_a$	
	Tension Limit $< 3 \sigma_a$	
	$\sigma_{a}$ - AASHTO allowable working stress	

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# 12. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

# 12.1 OVERVIEW OF PLAN AND SPECIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Pile foundations generally cannot be inspected after installation. Therefore, construction specifications and control are of prime importance for a successful pile foundation. Preparation of the contract plan details and construction specifications related to piling issues are the responsibility of the foundation designer in cooperation with materials and construction personnel. Project plans should include:

- Location of piles.
- Designation to identify piles.
- Pile cut off elevation.
- Estimated pile toe elevation.
- Minimum pile toe elevation.
- Required pile batter and direction.
- Orientation of H-piles.
- Ultimate pile capacity.
- Location of soil borings.
- Results of subsurface exploration.

It is the designer's responsibility to confirm that plans and specifications have been prepared using compatible language. This is particularly true in defining the required pile capacity, which is an important component of any driven pile specification. Problems can arise when modern dynamic methods, which use ultimate pile capacity, are mixed with specifications written for a dynamic formula that uses allowable pile capacity. For example, plans stating "piles shall be driven to a safe bearing of 1000 kN" may have been suitably worded when construction control was performed with the Engineering News formula, which uses the allowable design load. However, this type of wording with modern dynamic methods creates confusion and could result in piles being driven to only the design load, or to a claim for overdriving. Construction plans should therefore indicate the <u>ultimate</u> pile capacity. This ultimate capacity should include an appropriate factor of safety on the design load as well as the resistances from any unsuitable support layers.

This chapter includes a generic pile specification that was developed with input from State and Federal bridge and geotechnical engineers. The generic specification, originally released in 1985 as FHWA Geotechnical Guideline 13, has been slightly modified and updated as necessary. AASHTO (1994) contains similar specifications without commentary.

The intent of the attached generic specification is to provide designers and highway agencies with a comprehensive driven pile specification. Commentary sections are included where appropriate to explain the reasons behind development of particular sections of the specification and the relationship of the specification requirements to necessary pile design or construction activities. Note that only <u>driven</u> piles are covered by the specification. Other deep foundation types such as drilled shafts require completely different construction controls and should not be included in a driven pile specification.
A good driven pile specification should include the following basic components:

1. Pile Material Details

- Material type and section.
- Material grade and strength.
- Splice details.
- Toe protection requirement.
- Coating details.
- Transportation and handling.
- 2. Driving System Requirements
- Hammer.
- Hammer and pile cushions.
- Helmet
- Pile leads.

3. Installation Issues

- Driving sequence.
  - Pile location tolerances.
  - Pile alignment tolerances.
  - Pile cutoff.
  - Use of followers.
  - Use of jetting.
  - Use of spudding.
  - Predrilling.
  - Pile heave.
  - Pile cap connection.
  - Pile rejection criteria.

- 4. Capacity Verification
- Static load testing.
- Dynamic testing.
- Wave equation analysis.
- Dynamic formulas.

5. Basis of Payment

- Method of measurement.
- Payment items.

# 12.2 BACKGROUND AND REASONS FOR SPECIFICATION IMPROVEMENT

Older pile specifications placed the major responsibilities for pile capacity determination on the field staff. Little analysis was done in the design stage to provide accurate estimates of the required pile length to safely support the design load. Nor did many design analyses account for the actual soil resistance which had to be overcome to drive the pile to the estimated length, or the stresses generated in the pile during driving. Older specifications frequently placed the responsibility for determining what pile length to order on the contractor. Delays for reordering additional lengths or splices to reach final penetration requirements were considered incidental to the price bid for the item. This resulted in higher bid prices due to the unknown risks associated with the pile item.

Procedures, equipment, and analysis methods now exist to permit the designer to accurately establish pile section and length for any driving condition. Basic foundation design procedures are routinely followed by nearly all public agencies. Much of this design information is neither reflected in the pile specification of the agency nor utilized by the agencies construction staff. Many agencies perform detailed static analyses to determine pile length, but control the pile length actually installed in the field with the unreliable Engineering News formula. Changes are required in pile specifications to permit the cost effective use of modern construction control methods. The five areas of major change are briefly explained below as well as in commentary sections of the attached driven pile specification.

- Ordered Length Replaces Estimated Length: Public highway agencies should assume responsibility for determining and placing in the contract documents the pile length necessary to safely support the design load. Costs associated with overruns or underruns due to inaccurate length determination should not be borne by the contractor. The attached specification is based on the highway agency performing an adequate subsurface exploration and design analyses to rationally establish pile lengths during the design phase.
- 2. Ultimate Pile Capacity Replaces Design Load: Installation of piling to a predetermined length involves overcoming the design soil resistance, multiplied by the safety factor in suitable pile supporting layers, plus the resistance in any overlying layers unsuitable for long term support. The use of procedures involving design load, such as the Engineering News formula, should be replaced with ultimate load based methods. The ultimate pile load should be based on both the actual resistance to be overcome

to reach the required penetration depth and the confidence in the method of construction control to be used. The attached specification is written in terms of ultimate load.

- 3. Increased Emphasis on Approval of Driving Equipment: The use of properly sized pile driving equipment will practically insure a successful installation of properly designed piles. Conversely, improperly sized pile driving equipment insures a pile project fraught with problems, regardless of how well the pile design was done. Too small a pile hammer results in extremely difficult, time consuming driving. Too large a pile hammer increases the risk of pile damage. The attached specification places great emphasis on a formal approval procedure for the hammer and driving system. This approval procedure is the most significant change to current specifications.
- 4. Pile Capacity Control by Modern Methods Instead of Dynamic Formulas: Good piling practice dictates use of the wave equation and dynamic pile testing to replace the use of dynamic formulas to monitor pile driving on all projects. Continued use of the Engineering News formula can only result in unreliable, costly pile foundations.

Highway agencies need to utilize modern methods in both design and construction control of pile foundations. The wave equation uses ultimate soil resistances, basic soil properties, and calculated pile lengths in conjunction with driving equipment characteristics to determine the necessary pile penetration resistance for the ultimate capacity, as well as the maximum pile stresses during driving. Dynamic pile testing provides a quick, reliable field test supplement and/or alternate to static load testing, as well as a supplement to wave equation analysis. Both methods are detailed in the attached specification, with commentary containing recommended safety factors applied to the pile design load based on the method of construction control selected.

5. Separation of Payment into Fixed and Variable Cost Items Instead of Lump Sum Costs: Fair compensation for work performed in pile driving can only be accomplished by recognizing and providing bid items for contract costs which are fixed and contract costs which are variable. The currently popular payment methods used by highway agencies involve lumping fixed and variable costs into a single item. Such lump sum items, with variable contingencies, are recognized as high risk items by contractors who, to avoid a monetary loss, increase the price bid to cover the risk. The attached specification contains a list of bid items which separate the major fixed and variable costs to permit contractors to develop a low risk bid.

# 12.3 GENERIC DRIVEN PILE SPECIFICATION

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### SECTION XXX.01 DESCRIPTION

This item shall consist of furnishing and driving foundation piles of the type and dimensions designated, including cutting off or building up foundation piles when required. Piling shall conform to and be installed in accordance with these specifications, and at the location, and to the elevation, penetration and/or capacity shown on the plans, or as directed by the Engineer.

The Contractor shall furnish the piles in accordance with an itemized order list which will be furnished by the Engineer, showing the number and length of all piles. When test piles are required, the pile lengths shown on the plans are for estimating purposes only and the actual lengths to be furnished for production piles will be determined by the Engineer after the test piles have been driven. The lengths given in the order list will be based on the lengths which are assumed after cutoff to remain in the completed structure. The Contractor shall, without added compensation, increase the lengths to provide for fresh heading and for such additional length as may be necessary to suit the Contractor's method of operation.

Commentary: The objective of this specification is to provide criteria by which the Owner can assure that designated piles are properly installed and the Contractor can expect equitable compensation for work performed. The Owner's responsibility is to estimate the pile lengths required to safely support the design load. Pile lengths should be estimated based on subsurface explorations, testing and analysis which are completed during the design phase. Pile contractors who enter contractual agreements to install piles for an owner should not be held accountable or indirectly penalized for inaccuracies in estimated lengths. The Contractor's responsibility is to provide and install designated piles, undamaged, to the lengths specified by the Owner. This work is usually accomplished within an established framework of restrictions necessary to insure a "good" pile foundation. The price bid for this item of work will reflect the Contractor's estimate of both actual cost to perform the work and perceived risk.

### SECTION XXX.02 MATERIALS

Materials shall meet the requirements in the following Subsections of Section XXX - Materials:

- Portland Cement Concrete Reinforcing Steel Structural Steel Castings for Pile Shoes Steel Shells for Cast in Place Piles Timber Piles Paint / Coatings Timber Preservative and Treatment
- **Commentary:** The appropriate sections of each agency's standard specifications should be included under the XXX.02 Materials Section. A generic materials section cannot be provided herein, considering the vast combinations of materials used in piling operations and the varying control methods used by individual highway departments. The above list contains the common material components. Additions or deletions may be required to this list based on the content of individual agency standard specifications and the pile type specified.

## SECTION XXX.03. EQUIPMENT FOR DRIVING PILES

A. <u>Pile Hammers</u>. Piles may be driven with air, steam, diesel, or hydraulic hammers. Gravity hammers, if specifically permitted in the contract, shall only be used to drive timber piles. When gravity hammers are permitted, the ram shall weigh between 900 and 1600 kg and the height of drop shall not exceed 4 m. In no case shall the weight of gravity hammers be less than the combined weight of helmet and pile. All gravity hammers shall be equipped with hammer guides to insure concentric impact on the helmet. The plant and equipment furnished for air/steam hammers shall have sufficient capacity to maintain at the hammer, under working conditions, the volume and pressure specified by the manufacturer. The plant and equipment shall be equipped with accurate pressure gauges which are easily accessible to the Engineer. The weight of the striking parts of air and steam hammers shall not be less than 1/3 the weight of helmet and pile being driven, and in no case shall the striking parts weigh less than 1250 kg.

Open end (single acting) diesel hammers shall be equipped with a device such as rings on the ram to permit the Engineer to visually determine hammer stroke at all times during pile driving operations. Also, the Contractor shall provide the Engineer a chart from the hammer manufacturer equating stroke and blows per minute for the open-end diesel hammer to be used. Closed end (double acting) diesel hammers shall be equipped with a bounce chamber pressure gauge, in good working order, mounted near ground level so as to be easily read by the Engineer. Also, the Contractor shall provide the Engineer a chart, calibrated to actual hammer performance within 90 days of use, equating bounce chamber pressure to either equivalent energy or stroke for the closed-end diesel hammer to be used.

The power plant for hydraulic hammers shall have sufficient capacity to maintain at the hammer, under working conditions, the volume and pressure specified by the manufacturer. The power plant and equipment shall be equipped with accurate pressure gauges which are easily accessible to the Engineer.

Commentary: Pile inspectors frequently do not possess adequate knowledge or technical information concerning even the most basic details of the Contractor's hammer. Chapters 22 and 24 provide information on driving equipment and inspection. Highway agencies should also provide pile inspectors with basic manuals such as FHWA/RD-86/160 "The Performance of Pile Driving Systems: "Inspections Manual" or "Inspectors Manual for Pile Foundations" and "A Pile Inspectors Guide to Hammers, Second Edition" available from the Deep Foundation Institute, 120 Charlotte Place, Englewood Cliffs, NJ 07632.

Non-impact hammers, such as vibratory hammers, or driving aids such as jets, followers and prebored holes shall not be used unless either specifically permitted in writing by the Engineer or stated in the contract documents. When permitted, such equipment shall be used for installing production piles only after the pile toe elevation for the ultimate pile capacity is established by load testing and/or test piles driven with an impact hammer. The Contractor shall perform, at his cost, such load tests and/or extra work required to drive test piles as determined by the Engineer as a condition of approval of the non-impact hammers or driving aids. Installation of production piles with vibratory hammers shall be controlled according to power consumption, rate of penetration, specified toe elevation, or other means acceptable to the Engineer which assure the ultimate pile capacity equals or exceeds the ultimate capacity of the test pile. In addition, one of every ten piles driven with a vibratory hammer shall be restruck with an impact hammer of suitable energy to verify the ultimate pile capacity as in XXX.04(D).

- **Commentary:** At present no formula exists to reliably predict the capacity of piles driven with vibratory hammers. Until reliable procedures are developed for vibratory installation, special precautions must be taken to insure foundation piles installed with vibratory hammers have both adequate capacity and structural integrity. On critical projects, highway agencies should consider the use of dynamic testing during restrike to substantiate pile capacity and integrity.
- B. <u>Approval of Pile Driving Equipment</u>. All pile driving equipment furnished by the Contractor shall be subject to the approval of the Engineer. It is the intent of this specification that all pile driving equipment be sized in such a way that the project piles can be driven with reasonable effort to the ordered lengths without damage. Approval of pile driving equipment by the Engineer will be based on wave equation analysis and/or other judgments. In no case shall the driving equipment be transported to the project site until approval of the Engineer is received in writing. Prerequisite to such approval, the Contractor shall submit to the Engineer the necessary pile driving equipment information at least 30 days prior to driving piles. The form which the Contractor shall complete with the above information is shown in Figure 12.1.

Contra	act No.:		Structure Name and/or No.:	
Project:				
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	,	, <u> </u>	(Piles driven by)	<u></u>
S			Manufacturer: Model No :	
<b>C</b>			Hammer Type: Serial No :	
l e			Manufacturers Maximum Bated Energy	(Joules)
2	Dom	Hammer	Stroke at Maximum Rated Energy:	(meters)
ਵਿੱ	naiii		Range in Operating Energy: to	(Joules)
5	4, 7, 1		Range in Operating Stroke: to	(meters)
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			Wall Thickness: (mm) Taper:	
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Figure 12.1 Pile and Driving Equipment Data Form

**Commentary:** Use of wave equation analysis for approval of driving equipment can substantially reduce pile driving costs and pile driving claims by checking that the equipment mobilized to the job can drive the pile to the required penetration depth without damage. Public agencies should encourage Contractors to use wave equation analysis to select the optimum hammer for each project. In cases where disputes arise over rejection of pile driving equipment, the Engineer should request the Contractor to submit proof of the adequacy of the pile driving equipment. Such proof should consist of, but not be limited to, a wave equation analysis of the proposed driving equipment performed by a registered professional engineer. All costs of such submissions, if required, shall be the responsibility of the Contractor.

The pile and driving equipment data form should be submitted for approval even if wave equation analysis will not be used for hammer approval. The approved form should be used by the pile inspector to check the proposed hammer and drive system components are as furnished and are maintained during the driving operation. Few agencies currently supply the pile inspector with any such information on which rational inspection can be based.

The criteria, which the Engineer will use to evaluate the driving equipment from the wave equation results, consists of both the required number of hammer blows per 0.25 meter as well as the pile stresses at the required ultimate pile capacity. The required number of hammer blows indicated by the wave equation at the ultimate pile capacity shall be between 30 and 120 blows per 0.25 meter for the driving equipment to be acceptable.

In addition, for the driving equipment to be acceptable the pile stresses which are indicated by the wave equation to be generated by the driving equipment shall not exceed allowable values. For steel piles, maximum compressive driving stresses shall not exceed 90% of the minimum yield strength of the pile material. For prestressed concrete piles in normal environments, tensile stresses shall not exceed 0.25 multiplied by the square root of the concrete compressive strength,  $f'_c$  plus the effective prestress value,  $f_{pe}$ , *i.e.* (0.25  $\sqrt{f'_c} + f_{pe}$ ). Both  $f'_c$  and  $f_{pe}$  in this equation must be in MPa. For prestressed concrete piles in severe corrosive environments, tensile stresses shall not exceed f<sub>pe</sub>.

prestressed concrete piles shall not exceed 85% of the compressive strength minus the effective prestress value, *i.e.* (0.85  $f'_c - f_{pe}$ ). For timber piles, the compressive driving stress shall not exceed three times the allowable static design strength listed on the plans. These criteria will be used in evaluating wave equation results to determine acceptability of the Contractor's proposed driving system.

The Contractor will be notified of the acceptance or rejection of the driving system within 14 calendar days of the Engineer's receipt of the Pile and Driving Equipment Data Form. If the wave equation analyses show that either pile damage or inability to drive the pile with a reasonable driving resistance to the desired ultimate capacity will result from the Contractor's proposed equipment or methods, the Contractor shall modify or replace the proposed methods or equipment at his expense until subsequent wave equation analyses indicate the piles can be reasonably driven to the desired ultimate capacity, without damage. The Engineer will notify the Contractor of the acceptance or rejection of the revised driving system within 7 calendar days of receipt of a revised Pile and Driving Equipment Data Form.

During pile driving operations, the Contractor shall use the approved system. No variations In the driving system will be permitted without the Engineer's written approval. Any change in the driving system will only be considered after the Contractor has submitted the necessary information for a revised wave equation analysis. The Contractor will be notified of the acceptance or rejection of the driving system changes within 7 calendar days of the Engineer's receipt of the requested change. The time required for submission, review, and approval of a revised driving system shall not constitute the basis for a contract time extension to the Contractor.

**Commentary:** The ultimate pile capacity during driving is the soil resistance which must be overcome (including resistance from unsuitable layers and scour zone soils) to reach the pile penetration depth where the design load can be obtained with an acceptable safety factor. The safety factor selected will depend on design factors, such as quantity of subsurface information and geotechnical analysis, as well as construction factors such as the use of load tests, wave equation or dynamic formula to determine pile capacity. When proper foundation exploration procedures and static analyses such as those described in this manual are employed, the following safety factors on design load may be used, based on the pile construction control procedures specified:

Construction Control Method	Factor of Safety
Static load test with wave equation analysis	2.00
Dynamic testing with wave equation analysis	2.25
Indicator piles with wave equation analysis	2.50
Wave equation analysis	2.75
Gates dynamic formula	3.50

The ultimate pile capacity during driving is affected by:

- 1. The resistance in unsuitable soil layers overlying suitable support layers,
- 2. Temporary loss or increase in soil strength due to driving operations.
- 3. Pile installation methods which alter the in place soil resistance such as jetting, preboring, etc.

The designer must estimate the ultimate pile capacity to be encountered during driving if pile driving resistance is to be used to determine pile capacity. Only on the most routine pile projects will the ultimate pile capacity be equal to the pile design load multiplied by the design safety factor. More typically, piles are used to penetrate upper soil layers which are unsuitable for load support due to either poor soil characteristics, or future loss of load support by scour or erosion. In such cases the resistance in unsuitable layers is not considered in determining the pile penetration necessary to support the design load at the appropriate safety factor. However, the estimated ultimate pile capacity to be encountered during driving must include the resistance to be encountered in penetrating those unsuitable layers, in addition to the design load multiplied by the safety factor. This ultimate pile capacity must be shown on the contract documents to permit the Contractor to properly size the driving equipment and the Engineer to judge the acceptability of the Contractor's driving equipment. Optimum pile installation generally occurs when the ultimate pile capacity is achieved at a driving resistance near the point of maximum curvature (usually 60-100 blows per 0.25 meter) of the wave equation bearing graph. Larger driving resistances result in negligible pile penetration per blow and generally inefficient driving conditions. Excessive driving resistances can also result in damage to the pile or the driving system.

1. Alternate Approval Method: An alternate method of driving equipment approval will be used when either the contract documents contain a provision that wave equation analysis will not be used for approval of driving equipment. The alternate approval method requires that the energy of the driving equipment submitted for approval on the Pile and Driving Equipment Data form, be rated by the manufacturer at or above an appropriate minimum energy level for the ultimate pile capacity shown on the plans. The minimum energy requirements are as follows:

TABLE 12-1 ALTERNATE APPROVAL METHOD Minimum Pile Hammer Requirements		
Ultimate Pile Capacity (kN)	Minimum Manufacturers Rated Hammer Energy (Joules)*	
800 and under		
800 to 1350		
1351 to 1850		
1851 to 2400		
2401 to 2650		
2650 and over		

\* Previously published tables which included specific values were based on assumptions which might not be appropriate for local conditions and were subject to misinterpretation.

**Commentary:** A table of the minimum rated hammer energy vs. ultimate pile capacity should be developed using wave equation analyses of commonly available driving systems for the pile types, pile lengths, and pile loads routinely used by the specific agency. These analyses should model the typical soil and pile installation conditions. The wave equation results should be evaluated for driving stress levels and driving stress problems

or driving resistances at ultimate capacity less than 30 blows per 0.25 meter) and which energies are too small (driving resistances at ultimate capacity greater than 120 blows per 0.25 meter).

Once the specific table of energy values has been developed, it should only be considered for routine projects in uniform soil conditions or when the agency is in the process of phasing the wave equation analysis into standard use. Projects involving long piles or large ultimate pile capacities relative to the design load (such as scour piles or piles to be driven through embankments) should use job specific wave equation analysis to establish minimum driving equipment requirements. Piles to rock should also be evaluated by wave equation analysis to reduce the risk of pile damage from too large a hammer.

During pile driving operations, the Contractor shall use the approved system. If the Engineer determines the Contractor's hammer is unable to transfer sufficient energy to the pile, the hammer shall be removed from service until repaired to the satisfaction of the Engineer. No variations in the driving system will be permitted without the Engineer's written approval. Any changes in the driving system will be considered only after the Contractor has submitted a new Pile and Driving Equipment Data form. The Contractor will be notified of the acceptance or rejection of the proposed change in driving equipment within 7 calendar days of the Engineer's receipt of the form.

### C. Drive System Components and Accessories

1. Hammer Cushion: Impact pile driving equipment designed to be used with a hammer cushion shall be equipped with a suitable thickness of hammer cushion material to prevent damage to the hammer or pile and to insure uniform driving behavior. Hammer cushions shall be made of durable manufactured materials, provided in accordance with the hammer manufacturer's guidelines. Wood, wire rope, and asbestos hammer cushions are specifically disallowed and shall not be used. A striker plate as recommended by the hammer manufacturer shall be placed on the hammer cushion to insure uniform compression of the cushion material. The hammer cushion shall be removed from the helmet and inspected in the presence of the Engineer when beginning pile driving at each structure or after each 100 hours of pile driving, whichever is less. Any reduction of hammer

cushion thickness exceeding 25% of the original thickness shall be replaced by the Contractor before driving is permitted to continue.

- **Commentary:** For hammers requiring cushion material, mandatory use of a durable hammer cushion material which will retain uniform properties during driving is necessary to accurately relate driving resistance to pile capacity. Non-durable materials which deteriorate during driving cause erratic estimates of pile capacity and, if allowed to dissolve, result in damage to the pile or driving system.
  - 2. Helmet: Piles driven with impact hammers require an adequate helmet or drive head to distribute the hammer blow to the pile head. The helmet shall be axially aligned with the hammer and the pile. The helmet shall be guided by the leads and not be free-swinging. The helmet shall fit around the pile head in such a manner as to prevent transfer of torsional forces during driving, while maintaining proper alignment of hammer and pile.

For steel and timber piling, the pile heads shall be cut squarely and a helmet, as recommended by the hammer manufacturer, shall be provided to hold the axis of the pile in line with the axis of the hammer.

For precast concrete and prestressed concrete piles, the pile head shall be plane and perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the pile to prevent eccentric impacts from the helmet.

For special types of piles, appropriate helmets, mandrels or other devices shall be provided in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations so that the piles may be driven without damage.

3. Pile Cushion: The heads of concrete piles shall each be protected by a pile cushion. Pile cushions shall be made of plywood, hardwood, or composite plywood and hardwood materials. The minimum pile cushion thickness placed on the pile head prior to driving shall not be less than 100 mm. A new pile cushion shall be provided for each pile. In addition the pile cushion shall be replaced if, during the driving of any pile, the cushion is compressed more than one-half the original thickness or it begins to burn. The pile cushion dimensions shall match the cross sectional area of the pile top. The use of manufactured

pile cushion materials in lieu of a wood pile cushion shall be evaluated on a case by case basis.

- Commentary: A pile cushion is only needed for the protection of concrete piles. If the wave equation analysis of the Contractor's hammer indicates tension stresses exceed specification limits, the pile cushion may need to be substantially thicker than 100 mm. Pile cushion thicknesses up to 460 mm have been used to mitigate tension stresses. Compressive stresses at the pile head can be controlled with a relatively thin pile cushion. However, wood pile cushions may become overly compressed and hard after about 1000 hammer blows. The physical characteristics of manufactured pile cushion materials should be determined by standard test procedures such as the Deep Foundations Institute standard "Testing of Pile Driving Cushion Material".
  - 4. Leads: Piles shall be supported in line and position with leads while being driven. Pile driver leads shall be constructed in a manner that affords freedom of movement of the hammer while maintaining alignment of the hammer and the pile to insure concentric impact for each blow. Leads may be either fixed or swinging type. Swinging leads, when used, shall be fitted with a pile gate at the bottom of the leads and, in the case of batter piles, a horizontal brace may be required between the crane and the leads. The pile section being driven shall not extend above the leads. The leads shall be adequately embedded in the ground or the pile constrained in a structural frame such as a template to maintain alignment. The leads shall be of sufficient length to make the use of a follower unnecessary, and shall be so designed as to permit proper alignment of batter piles.
  - 5. Followers: Followers shall only be used when approved in writing by the Engineer, or when specifically stated in the contract documents. In cases where a follower is permitted, the first pile in each bent and every tenth pile driven thereafter shall be driven full length without a follower, to determine that adequate pile penetration is being attained to develop the ultimate pile capacity.

The follower and pile shall be held and maintained in equal and proper alignment during driving. The follower shall be of such material and dimensions to permit the piles to be driven to the penetration depth determined necessary from the driving of the full length piles. The final position and alignment of the first two piles installed with followers in each substructure unit shall be verified to be in accordance with the location tolerances in Section XXX.04(E) before additional piles are installed.

- **Commentary:** The use of a follower often causes substantial and erratic reductions in the hammer energy transmitted to the pile due to the follower flexibility, poor connection to the pile head, frequent misalignment, etc. Reliable correlations of driving resistance with ultimate pile capacity are very difficult when followers are used. Severe problems with pile alignment and location frequently occur when driving batter piles with a follower in a cofferdam unless a multi-tier template is used.
  - 6. Jets: Jetting shall only be permitted if approved in writing by the Engineer or when specifically stated in the contract documents. When jetting is not required in the contract documents, but approved after the Contractor's request, the Contractor shall determine the number of jets and the volume and pressure of water at the jet nozzles necessary to freely erode the material adjacent to the pile without affecting the lateral stability of the final in place pile. The Contractor shall be responsible for all damage to the site caused by unapproved or improper jetting operations. When jetting is specifically required in the contract documents, the jetting plant shall have sufficient capacity to deliver at all times a pressure equivalent to at least 700 kPa at two 19 mm jet nozzles. In either case, unless otherwise indicated by the Engineer, jet pipes shall be removed when the pile toe is a minimum of 1.5 m above prescribed toe elevation and the pile shall be driven to the required ultimate pile capacity with an impact hammer. Also, the Contractor shall control, treat if necessary, and dispose of all jet water in a manner satisfactory to the Engineer.
  - 7. Preboring: When stated in the contract documents, the Contractor shall prebore holes at pile locations to the depths shown on the plans. Prebored holes shall be of a size smaller than the diameter or diagonal of the pile cross section that is sufficient to allow penetration of the pile to the specified depth. If subsurface obstructions, such as boulders or rock layers, are encountered, the hole diameter may be increased to the least dimension which is adequate for pile installation. Any void space remaining around the pile after completion of driving shall be filled with sand or other approved material. The use of spuds,

a short strong driven member which is removed to make a hole for inserting a pile, shall not be permitted in lieu of preboring.

#### SECTION XXX.04 CONSTRUCTION METHODS

#### A. Driven Pile Capacity

- 1. Wave Equation: The ultimate pile capacity shall be determined by the Engineer, based on a wave equation analysis. Piles shall be driven with the approved driving equipment to the ordered length or other lengths necessary to obtain the required ultimate pile capacity. Jetting or other methods to facilitate pile penetration shall not be used unless specifically permitted either in the contract documents or approved by the Engineer after a revised driving resistance is established from the wave equation analysis. Adequate pile penetration shall be considered to be obtained when the specified wave equation resistance criteria is achieved within 1.5 m of the pile toe elevation, based on ordered length. Piles not achieving the specified resistance within these limits shall be driven to penetrations established by the Engineer.
- 2. Dynamic Formula: The ultimate pile capacity will only be determined by dynamic formula if either the contract documents contain a provision that dynamic formula shall be used or the Engineer approves dynamic formula use. In such cases, piles shall be driven to a penetration depth necessary to obtain the ultimate pile capacity according to the following formula:

$$R_{u} = [7\sqrt{E_{r}} \log(10N_{b})] - 550$$

- Where:  $R_u$  = the ultimate pile capacity (kN).
  - $E_r$  = the manufacturer's rated hammer energy (Joules) at the field observed ram stroke.
  - $log(10N_b) = logarithm$  to the base 10 of the quantity 10 multiplied by  $N_b$ , the number of hammer blows per 25 mm at final penetration.

The number of hammer blows per 0.25 meter of pile penetration required to obtain the ultimate pile capacity shall be calculated as follows:

$$N_{am} = 10(10^{x})$$

Where:  $x = [(R_u + 550)/(7\sqrt{E_r})] - 1$ 

Driven pile capacity should be monitored in terms of <u>ultimate</u> pile Commentary: capacity; not design load. The driving resistance at any penetration depth reflects the total capacity mobilized by the pile. This total capacity may include capacity mobilized temporarily in soil deposits unsuited for bearing, as well as suitable bearing layers. Therefore, the driving resistance should be established for the ultimate pile capacity that must be overcome in order to reach anticipated pile penetration depth. These ultimate capacities are determined by static analysis procedures. In the case of piles to be driven to a specified minimum pile toe elevation, the ultimate pile capacity must be computed by static analysis to include the capacity of all soil layers penetrated by the pile above the minimum pile toe elevation as well as the end bearing resistance at that depth. Also, the ultimate pile capacity is directly related to the maximum pile driving stress during installation. This stress is more critical than the stress caused after installation by the design load.

> Good piling practices dictate use of the wave equation in place of dynamic formulas to monitor driven pile capacity for all projects. The driving resistance and maximum pile stresses should be determined for the ultimate pile capacity. Use of the wave equation will permit the use of lower safety factors on the design load and the minimum permissible pile section to resist the driving force. This will result in significant cost reductions due to savings in pile lengths and use of smaller pile sections. FHWA recommends that all agencies phase in wave equation analysis with an ultimate goal of eliminating use of dynamic formulas on all pile projects. Wave equation analysis is discussed in greater detail in Chapter 17 of this manual.

The Engineering News formula is recognized to be the least accurate and least consistent of all dynamic formula, yet the vast majority of all States continue to use this formula. The Washington State DOT study WA-RD-163.1 "Comparison of Methods for Estimating Pile Capacity" (1988) found that the Hiley, Gates, Janbu, and Pacific Coast Uniform Building code formulas all provide relatively more dependable results than the Engineering News formula. The dynamic formula contained in this specification is the Gates formula which has been revised to reflect the ultimate pile capacity in kilonewtons. The formula in this specification already includes the 80% efficiency factor on the rated energy, E, recommended by Gates.

The Gates formula was also studied by Olson and Flaate (1967) and found to be the most consistent of the dynamic formulas studied. However, all dynamic formulas are not suited for soft cohesive soils. Engineers planning to use dynamic formula should carefully read these references to comprehend the limitations involved with their use. A design safety factor of 3.5 is recommended when using the Gates formula to determine the safe design load, i.e., if a design load of 1000 kN is required in the bearing layer, then an ultimate pile capacity of 3500 kN should be used in the Gates formula to determine the necessary driving resistance. The formula was selected for its relative accuracy, consistency and simplicity of use. However, the top priority for highway agencies should be to change from dynamic formulas to wave equation analysis.

#### B. <u>Compression Load Tests</u>

1. Static Load Tests: Compression load tests shall be performed by procedures set forth in ASTM D-1143 using the quick load test method, except that the test shall be taken to plunging failure or the capacity of the loading system. Testing equipment and measuring systems shall conform to ASTM D-1143, except that the loading system shall be capable of applying 150% of the <u>ultimate</u> pile capacity or 9000 kN, whichever is less, and that a load cell and spherical bearing plate shall be used. The Contractor shall submit to the Engineer for approval detailed plans prepared by a licensed professional engineer of the proposed loading apparatus. The apparatus shall be constructed to allow the

various increments of the load to be placed gradually, without causing vibration to the test pile. When the approved method requires the use of tension (reaction) piles, the tension piles, when feasible, shall be of the same type and diameter as the production piles, and shall be driven in the location of permanent piles except that timber or tapered piles installed in permanent locations shall not be used as tension piles.

The design load shall be defined as 50% of the failure load. The failure load for the pile shall be defined as follows: for piles 610 mm or less in diameter or width, the failure load of a pile tested under axial compressive load is that load which produces a settlement at failure of the pile head equal to:

$$s_f = \Delta + (4.0 + 0.008b)$$

Where:  $s_f =$  Settlement at failure in mm.

b = Pile diameter or width in mm.

 $\Delta$  = Elastic deformation of total pile length in mm.

For piles greater than 610 mm in diameter or width:

$$s_f = \Delta + \frac{b}{30}$$

The top elevation of the test pile shall be determined immediately after driving and again just before load testing to check for heave. Any pile which heaves more than 6 mm shall be redriven or jacked to the original elevation prior to testing. Unless otherwise specified in the contract, a minimum 3-day waiting period shall be observed between the driving of any anchor piles or the load test pile and the commencement of the load test.

**Commentary:** The pile capacity may increase (soil setup) or decrease (relaxation) after the end of driving. Therefore, it is essential that static load testing be performed <u>after</u> equilibrium conditions in the soil have re-established. Static load tests performed before equilibrium conditions have reestablished will underestimate the long term pile capacity in soil setup conditions and overestimate the long term capacity in relaxation cases. For piles in clays, specifications should require at least 2 weeks or longer to elapse between driving and load testing. In sandy silts and sands, 5 days to a week is usually sufficient. Load testing of piles driven into shales should also be delayed for at least 2 weeks after driving. Additional discussion on time dependent changes in pile capacity may be found in Section 9.10.1.

Each static load test pile should be determining the load transferred to the pile toe. Instrumentation commonly consists of strain gages and/or telltale rods mounted at varying depths from the pile toe. Also, a load cell and spherical bearing plate should be mounted between the load frame and the pile head to verify the readings from the hydraulic jack pressure gauge. Due to jack ram friction, loads indicated by a jack pressure gauge are commonly 10% to 20% higher than the actual load imposed on the pile. Last, after completion of a load test on a non production pile, the static test pile should be pulled and checked for damage. The examination of the extracted pile will determine driving damage and its effect on capacity.

When static load tests are used to control production pile driving, the time required to analyze the load test results and establish driving criteria should be specified so that the delay time to the contractor is clearly identified. Static load testing is discussed in greater detail in Chapter 19 of this manual. A more detailed specification for static load testing may be found in FHWA-SA-91-042, Static Testing of Deep Foundations.

- 2. Dynamic Load Tests: Dynamic measurements following procedures set forth in ASTM D-4945 will be taken by the Engineer during the driving of piles designated as dynamic load test piles.
- **Commentary:** When static load tests are specified, dynamic load tests are recommended to be performed on at least half the reaction piles prior to driving the static load test pile. The dynamic test results are used both to verify that the desired ultimate pile capacity can be attained at the proposed estimated static load test pile penetration depth and to fine

tune the dynamic test equipment for site soil conditions. Dynamic monitoring of the load test pile during both initial driving and during restriking after completion of the static load test are also recommended. This allows correlation of static test results with dynamic test results. Signal matching techniques using the dynamic test data can further quantify dynamic soil parameters such as soil quake and damping for the site. When dynamic tests are specified on production piles, the first pile driven in each substructure foundation is recommended to be tested. Where uniform soil conditions exist across a site, the number of dynamic tests may be reduced based on recommendations from the agency's geotechnical engineer.

This section of the specifications applies to the Contractor's activities as they relate to the dynamic testing of piles. If the dynamic tests are to be performed by an independent firm and not transportation department personnel, an additional specification section detailing analysis and reporting requirements must be added. Dynamic tests are discussed in greater detail in Chapter 18 of this manual.

Prior to placement in the leads, the Contractor shall make each designated concrete and/or timber pile available for taking of wave speed measurements and for predrilling the required instrument attachment holes. Predriving wave speed measurements will not be required for steel piles. When wave speed measurements are made, the piling shall be in a horizontal position and not in contact with other piling. The Engineer will furnish the equipment, materials, and labor necessary for drilling holes in the piles for mounting the instruments. The instruments will be attached near the head of the pile with bolts placed in masonry anchors for the concrete piles, or through drilled holes on the steel piles, or with wood screws for timber piles.

The Contractor shall provide the Engineer reasonable means of access to the pile for attaching instruments after the pile is placed in the leads. A platform with minimum size of  $1.2 \times 1.2 \text{ m}$  (1.4 sq. m) designed to be raised to the top of the pile while the pile is located in the leads shall be provided by the Contractor. It is estimated that the Engineer will need approximately 1 hour per pile to install the dynamic test equipment.

The Contractor shall furnish electric power for the dynamic test equipment. The power supply at the outlet shall be 10 amp, 115 volt, 55-60 cycle, A.C. only. Field generators used as the power source shall be equipped with functioning meters for monitoring voltage and frequency levels.

The Contractor shall furnish a shelter to protect the dynamic test equipment from the elements. The shelter shall have a minimum floor size of  $2.5 \times 2.5 \text{ m}$  (6.2 sq. m) and minimum roof height of 2 m. The inside temperature of the shelter shall be maintained above 45 degrees. The shelter shall be located within 15 m of the test location.

With the dynamic testing equipment attached, the Contractor shall drive the pile to the design penetration depth or to a depth determined by the Engineer. The Engineer will use the ultimate pile capacity estimates at the time of driving and/or restriking from dynamic test methods to determine the required pile penetration depth for the ultimate pile capacity. The stresses in the piles will be monitored during driving with the dynamic test equipment to ensure that the values determined do not exceed the values in Section XXX.03(B). If necessary, the Contractor shall reduce the driving energy transmitted to the pile by using additional cushions or reducing the energy output of the hammer in order to maintain stresses below the values in Section XXX.03(B). If non-axial driving is indicated by dynamic test equipment measurements, the Contractor shall immediately realign the driving system.

The Contractor shall wait up to 24 hours (or a longer duration specified in the contract documents) and restrike the dynamic load test pile with the dynamic testing instruments attached. It is estimated that the Engineer will require approximately ½ hour to reattach the instruments. A cold hammer shall not be used for the restrike. The hammer shall be warmed up before restrike begins by applying at least 20 blows to another pile. The maximum amount of penetration required during restrike shall be 150 mm, or the maximum total number of hammer blows required will be 50, whichever occurs first. After restriking, the Engineer will either provide the cutoff elevation or specify additional pile penetration and testing.

**Commentary:** For purposes of measurement and payment one dynamic test includes all data collected on one pile during both the initial pile driving and a restrike done up to 24 hours after the initial driving. Additional long term restrikes should be paid for as separate tests unless the restrike schedule is specifically stated in the dynamic test specification.

The restrike time and frequency should be clearly stated in the specifications and should be based on the time dependent strength change characteristics of the soil. The following restrike durations are often used:

<u>Soil Type</u>	<u>Time Delay Until Restrike</u>	
Clean Sands	1 Day	
Silty Sands	2 Days	
Sandy Silts	3-5 Days	
Silty Clays	7-14 Days*	
Shales	10-14 Days*	
*Longer times	s sometimes required.	

The restrike time interval is particularly important when dynamic testing is used for construction control. Specifying too short of a restrike time for friction piles in fine grained deposits may result in pile length overruns. However, it is sometimes difficult for long term restrikes to be accommodated in the construction schedule. In these cases, multiple restrikes are sometimes specified on selected piles with shorter term restrikes at other locations.

The time necessary to analyze the dynamic test results and provide driving criteria to the contractor once restrikes are completed should also be stated in the specifications. This is important when the testing is done by agency personnel or their consultants as well as when the testing firm is retained by the contractor. In cases where the testing is retained by the contractor, the time required for the agency to review the test results and provide driving criteria should be specified relative to the agency's receiving the test results.

3. General: On completion of the load testing, any test or anchor piling not a part of the finished structure shall be removed or cut off at least 300 mm below either

the bottom of footing or the finished ground elevation, if not located within the footing area.

C. <u>Test Piles</u> (Indicator Piles). Test piles shall be driven when shown on the plans at the locations and to the penetration depths specified by the Engineer. All test piles shall be driven with impact hammers unless specifically stated otherwise in the plans. In general, the specified length of test piles will be greater than the estimated length of production piles in order to provide for variation in soil conditions. The driving equipment used for driving test piles shall be identical to that which the Contractor proposes to use on the production piling. Approval of driving equipment shall conform with the requirements of these Specifications. The bottom of the footing before the pile is driven.

Test piles shall be driven to a driving resistance established by the Engineer at the estimated pile toe elevation. Test piles which do not attain the driving resistance specified above at a depth of 0.25 meter above the estimated pile toe elevation shown on the plans shall be allowed to "set up" for 12 to 24 hours, or as directed by the Engineer, before being redriven. A cold hammer shall not be used for redrive. The hammer shall be warmed up before driving begins by applying at least 20 blows to another pile. If the specified driving resistance is not attained on redriving, the Engineer may direct the Contractor to drive a portion or all of the remaining test pile length and repeat the "set up" redrive procedure. Test piles driven to plan grade and not having the driving resistance required, shall be spliced and driven until the required capacity is obtained.

A record of driving of the test pile will be prepared by the Engineer, including the number of hammer blows per 0.25 meter for the entire driven length, the as-driven length of the test pile, cutoff elevation, penetration in ground, and any other pertinent information. The Contractor shall provide the information listed in Figure 12.1 of Section XXX.03(B) to the Engineer for inclusion in the record. If a redrive is necessary, the Engineer will record the number of hammer blows per 25 mm of pile movement for the first 0.25 meter of redrive. The Contractor shall not order piling to be used in the permanent structure until test pile data has been reviewed and pile order lengths are authorized by the Engineer. The Engineer will provide the pile order list within 7 calendar days after completion of all test pile driving specified in the contract documents.

- **Commentary:** Test piles are particularly recommended on projects where: 1) large quantities or long length of friction piling are estimated, even if load tests are to be used at adjacent footings; 2) large ultimate soil resistance is expected in relation to the design load and, 3) where concrete piles are used.
- D. <u>Ultimate Pile Capacity</u>. Piles shall be driven by the Contractor to the penetration depth shown on the plans or to a greater depth if necessary to obtain the ultimate pile capacity. The ultimate pile capacity shall be determined by the Engineer based on one of the methods listed in Section XXX.04(A).

Jetting or other methods shall not be used to facilitate pile penetration unless specifically permitted in the contract plans or in writing by the Engineer. The ultimate pile capacity of jetted piles shall be based on driving resistances recorded during impact driving after the jet pipes have been removed. Jetted piles not attaining the ultimate pile capacity at the ordered length shall be spliced, as required, at the Contractor's cost, and driven with an impact hammer until the ultimate pile capacity is achieved, as indicated by the appropriate criteria in Section XXX.04(A).

The ultimate pile capacity of piles driven with followers shall only be considered acceptable when the follower driven piles attain the same pile toe elevation as the full length piles driven without followers, installed per Section XXX.03(C), which attained the required ultimate pile capacity.

The ultimate pile capacity of piles driven with vibratory hammers shall be based on the driving resistance recorded during impact driving after the vibratory equipment has been removed from the first pile in each group of 10 piles. Vibrated piles not attaining the ultimate pile capacity at the ordered length shall be spliced, as required, at the Contractor's cost, and driven with an impact hammer until the ultimate pile capacity is achieved, as indicated by the appropriate criteria in Section XXX.04(A). When the ultimate pile capacity is attained, the remaining 9 piles shall be installed to similar depths with similar vibratory hammer power consumption and rate of penetration as the first pile.

# E. Preparation and Driving

1. General: The heads of all piles shall be plane and perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the pile before the helmet is attached. The heads of all concrete piles shall be protected with a pile cushion as described in Section XXX.03(C).

During pile driving, the pile cushion shall be changed as described in Section XXX.03(C) before excessive compression or damage takes place. Approval of a pile hammer relative to driving stress damage shall not relieve the Contractor of responsibility for piles damaged because of misalignment of the leads, failure of cushion materials, failure of splices, malfunctioning of the pile hammer, or other improper construction methods. Piles damaged for such reasons shall be rejected and replaced at the Contractor's expense when the Engineer determines that the damage impairs the strength of the pile.

2. **Preboring:** Augering, wet-rotary drilling, or other methods of preboring shall be used only when approved by the Engineer or in the same manner as used for any indicator piles or load test piles. When permitted, such procedures shall be carried out in a manner which will not impair the capacity of the piles already in place or the safety of existing adjacent structures.

Except for end bearing piles, preboring shall be stopped at least 1.5 m above the pile toe elevation, determined from the ordered length and the pile shall be driven with an impact hammer to a driving resistance specified by the Engineer. Where piles are to be end-bearing on rock or hardpan, preboring may be carried to the surface of the rock or hardpan, and the piles shall be restruck with an impact hammer to insure proper seating.

If the Engineer determines that preboring has disturbed the capacities of previously installed piles, those piles that have been disturbed shall be restored to conditions meeting the requirements of this specification by redriving or by other methods acceptable to the Engineer. Redriving or other remedial measures shall be instituted after the preboring operations in the area have been completed. The Contractor shall be responsible for the costs of any necessary remedial measures, unless the preboring method was specifically included in the contract documents and properly executed by the Contractor.

3. Location and Alignment Tolerance: The pile head at cutoff elevation shall be within 50 mm of plan locations for bent caps supported by piles, and shall be within 150 mm of plan locations for all piles capped below final grade. The as-driven centroid of load of any pile group at cutoff elevation shall be within 5% of the plan location of the designed centroid of load. No pile shall be nearer than 100 mm from any edge of the cap. Any increase in size of cap to meet this edge distance requirement shall be at the Contractor's expense.

Piles shall be installed so that the axial alignment of the top 3 m of the pile is within 2% of the specified alignment. For piles that cannot be inspected internally after installation, an alignment check shall be made before installing the last 1.5 m of pile, or after installation is completed provided the exposed portion of the pile is not less than 1.5 m in length. The Engineer may require that driving be stopped in order to check the pile alignment. Pulling laterally on piles to correct misalignment, or splicing a properly aligned section on a misaligned section shall not be permitted.

If the location and/or alignment tolerances specified in the preceding paragraphs are exceeded, the extent of overloading shall be evaluated by the Engineer. If in the judgement of the Engineer, corrective measures are necessary, suitable measures shall be designed and constructed by the Contractor. The Contractor shall bear all costs, including delays, associated with the corrective action.

- **Commentary:** Conditions exist, such as soft overburden soils directly overlying a sloping bedrock, where final pile location and/or alignment may be beyond the contractor's control. These cases should be identified during the design stage with specifications tailored to meet the site and project requirements.
  - 4. Heaved Piles: Level readings to measure pile heave after driving shall be made by the Engineer at the start of pile driving operations and shall continue until the Engineer determines that such checking is no longer required. Level readings shall be taken immediately after the pile has been driven and again after piles within a radius of 5 m have been driven. If pile heave is observed, accurate level readings referenced to a fixed datum shall be taken by the Engineer on all piles immediately after installation and periodically thereafter as adjacent piles are driven to determine the pile heave range. All piles that have been heaved

more than 6 mm shall be redriven at the Contractor's cost, to the required resistance or penetration. Concrete shall not be placed in pile casings until pile driving has progressed beyond a radius of 5 m from the pile to be concreted. If pile heave is detected for pipe or shell piles which have been filled with concrete, the piles shall be redriven to original position after the concrete has obtained sufficient strength and a proper hammer-pile cushion system, satisfactory to the Engineer, is used.

- 5. **Installation Sequence:** The order of placing individual piles in pile groups shall be either starting from the center of the group and proceeding outwards in both directions, or starting at the outside row and proceeding progressively across the group.
- F. <u>Unsatisfactory Piles</u>. The method used in driving piles shall not subject the piles to excessive or undue abuse producing crushing and spalling of concrete, injurious splitting, splintering, and brooming of the wood, or deformation of the steel. Misaligned piles shall not be forced into proper position. Any pile damaged during driving by reason of internal defects, or by improper driving, or driven out of its proper location, or driven below the designated cutoff elevation, shall be corrected by the Contractor, without added compensation, by a method approved by the Engineer.
- **Commentary**: The following procedures may be used to correct unsatisfactory pile conditions:
  - 1. The pile may be withdrawn and replaced by a new and, when necessary, longer pile. In removing piles, jets may be used in conjunction with jacks or other devices for pulling in an effort to remove the whole pile
  - 2. A second pile may be driven adjacent to the defective pile.
  - 3. The pile may be spliced or built up as otherwise provided herein, or a sufficient portion of the footing extended to properly embed the pile.
  - 4. All piles pushed up by the driving of adjacent piles, or by any other cause, shall be redriven.

Piles which have been bent during installation shall be considered unsatisfactory unless the ultimate capacity is proven by load tests performed at the Contractor's expense. If such tests indicate inadequate capacity, corrective measures as determined by the Engineer shall be taken, such as use of bent piles at reduced capacity, installation of additional piles, strengthening of bent piles, or replacement of bent piles.

A concrete pile will be considered defective if a visible crack, or cracks, appears around the entire periphery of the pile, or if any defect is observed which, as determined by the Engineer, affects the strength or life of the pile.

- G. <u>Splices</u>. Full length piles shall always be used where practical. In no case shall timber piles be spliced. Where splices are unavoidable for steel or concrete piles, their number, locations and details shall be subject to approval of the Engineer. Splices in steel piles and steel pile casings shall be welded in conformance with Section XXX. Splices for cast in place piles shall be watertight. Splices for concrete piles shall be made by the cement dowel method as detailed on the plans unless the Engineer approves alternate splices. Mechanical splices for concrete or steel piles may be approved by the Engineer if the splice can transfer the full pile strength in compression, tension and bending. Shop drawings of any proposed mechanical splice shall be submitted to the Engineer for approval.
- H. <u>Pile Shoes</u>. Pile shoes of the type and dimensions specified shall be provided and installed when shown on the contract plans. Shoes for timber piles shall be metal and shall be fastened securely to the pile. Timber pile toes shall be carefully shaped to secure an even uniform bearing on the pile shoe. Steel pile shoes shall be fabricated from cast steel conforming to ASTM A 27.
- **Commentary:** H-pile shoes composed of steel plates welded to the flanges and webs are not recommended because this reinforcement provides neither protection nor increased strength at the critical area of the flange to web connection. Only prefabricated pile shoes made of ASTM A 27 cast steel have been proven reliable. The designer should select and detail on the plans the proper pile shoe to suit the application. Additional information on pile shoes is presented in Chapter 23 of this manual.

- <u>Cutoff Lengths</u>. The pile head of all permanent piles and pile casings shall be cutoff at the elevation shown on the plans or as ordered by the Engineer. All cutoff lengths shall become the property of the Contractor, and shall be removed by the Contractor from the site of the work.
- **Commentary:** Additional structural details for timber, steel, concrete and cast in place piles should be included by each agency in this driven pile specification, either directly or by reference to appropriate sections of the individual agency's standard specification. Typical items include: timber pile butt treatment and preservative treatment; precast concrete pile reinforcement, forming, casting, curing, and handling; steel pile field painting; cast in place pile details for shell, interior reinforcement and concrete.

## SECTION XXX.05. METHOD OF MEASUREMENT

- A. <u>Timber, Steel, and Precast Concrete Piles</u>
  - 1. Piles Furnished: The unit of measurement for payment for furnishing timber, steel, and precast concrete piles shall be the linear meter. The quantity to be paid for will be the sum of the lengths in meters of the piles, of the types and lengths ordered in writing by the Engineer, furnished in compliance with the material requirements of these specifications, stockpiled in good condition at the site of the work by the Contractor, and accepted by the Engineer. No allowance will be made for that length of piles, including test piles, furnished by the Contractor to replace piles which were previously accepted by the Engineer, but are subsequently damaged prior to completion of the contract.

When extensions of piles are necessary, the extension length ordered in writing by the Engineer will be included in the linear meters of piling furnished.

2. **Piles Driven:** The units of measurement for driving timber, steel, and precast concrete piles shall be per linear meter of piling in place measured below the cutoff elevation. The measured length will be rounded to the nearest meter.

Preboring, jetting or other methods used for facilitating pile driving procedures will not be measured and payment shall be considered included in the unit price bid for the Piles Driven pay item.

B. <u>Cast in Place Pipe or Shell Concrete Piles</u>. The quantity of cast in place pipe or shell concrete piles to be paid for will be the actual number of linear meters of steel pipe or shell piles driven, cast, and left in place in the completed and accepted work. Measurements will be made from the toe of the steel pipe or shell pile to the bottom of the cap or bottom of the footing, as the case may be.

No separate measurement will be made for reinforcing steel, excavation, drilling, cleaning of drilled holes, drilling fluids, sealing materials, concrete, casing, and or any other items required to complete the work. Preboring, jetting or other methods used for facilitating pile driving procedures will not be measured and payment shall be considered included in the unit price bid for the driven and cast in place pay item.

- C. <u>Pile Shoes</u>. The number of pile shoes measured for payment shall be those shoes actually installed on piles and accepted for payment by the Engineer.
- D. <u>Load Tests</u>. The quantity of load tests to be paid for will be the number of load tests completed and accepted, except that load tests made at the option of the Contractor will not be included in the quantity measured for payment.

Reaction and test piling which are not a part of the permanent structure will be included in the unit price bid for each load test. Reaction and test piling, which are a part of the permanent structure, will be paid for under the appropriate pay item.

- E. <u>Splices</u>. The number of splices measured for payment shall be only those splices actually made as required to drive the piles in excess of the ordered length furnished by the Engineer.
- F. <u>Furnishing Equipment for Driving Piles</u>. Payment will be made at the lump sum price bid for this item as follows: Seventy-five percent (75%) of the amount bid will be paid when the equipment for driving piles is furnished and driving of satisfactory piles has commenced. The remaining 25% will be paid when the work of driving piles is completed. The lump sum price bid shall include the cost of furnishing all

labor, materials and equipment necessary for transporting, erecting, maintaining, replacing any ordered equipment, dismantling and removing of the entire pile driving equipment. The cost of all labor, including the manipulation of the pile driving equipment and materials in connection with driving piles, shall be included in the unit price bid per linear meter for the piles to be driven. The furnishing of equipment for driving sheet piling is not included in this work. Payment for furnishing and using a follower, augers or jetting will be considered as included in the unit price bid for piles.

## SECTION XXX.06 BASIS OF PAYMENT

The accepted quantities, determined as provided above, will be paid for at the contract price per unit of measurement, respectively, for each of the particular pay items listed below that is shown in the bid schedule, which prices and payment will be full compensation for the work prescribed in this section. Payment will be made under:

#### Pay Item

Pay Unit

XXX(l)	piles, furnished	Linear meter
XXX(2)	piles, driven	Linear meter
XXX(3)	piles, driven & cast in place	Linear meter
XXX(4)	test piles, furnished	Linear meter
XXX(5)	test piles, driven	Linear meter
XXX(6)	test piles, driven & cast in place	Linear meter
XXX(7)	Pile load test (static)	Each
XXX(8)	Pile load test (dynamic)	Each
XXX(9)	Splices	Each
XXX(10)	Pile Shoes	Each
XXX(11)	Furnishing Equipment for Pile Driving	Each

Commentary: The above pile payment items have been chosen to separate the major fixed costs from the variable costs. Many highway agencies oversimplify pile payment by including all costs associated with the driving operation in the price per meter of pile installed. Contractors bidding such "simple" items need to break down the total cost of the mobilization, splices, shoes, etc., to a price per linear meter based on the total estimated quantity. If that quantity underruns, the contractor does not recover the full cost of mobilization, splices, shoes, etc. If that quantity overruns, the highway agency pays an unfair price for the overrun quantity. The use of separate items for operations of major fixed cost such as mobilization can substantially mitigate the inequitable impact of length variations. Similarly, the ordered pile length is the highway agency's responsibility. Separate payment for furnishing piles and driving piles compensates the contractor for actual materials used and installation costs, even when overruns or underruns occur.

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#### 13. PILE FOUNDATION DESIGN SUMMARY

#### 13.1 INTRODUCTION

In this chapter, the total design process will be reviewed following the procedure outlined in Chapter 3. However, this time the design process will be illustrated through a proposed bridge construction project. The Foundation Design Process flow chart presented in Figure 3.1 is repeated for convenience here as Figure 13.1. The proposed project is a bridge that will carry the imaginary Peach Freeway over Dismal Creek. This is a new freeway that is to be built in a city in the southeastern part of the United States. The alignment of the roadway has been defined and the foundation design now comes into consideration. The design process will be followed using Figure 13.1.

## 13.2 BLOCK 1 - ESTABLISH REQUIREMENTS FOR STRUCTURAL CONDITIONS AND SITE CHARACTERIZATION

The general structure requirements will now be reviewed following the list from Chapter 3, Section 3.4.

- 1. The project is a new bridge.
- 2. The structure will be constructed at one time by a single contract.
- 3. The structure layout has not been finalized at the time that the foundation engineer first becomes involved. The alignment is quite well defined but the grades have not been established.
- 4. The foundation engineer has briefly visited the proposed site. Dismal Creek is a flat, shallow stream that, at low water, is more than 30 meters wide in the vicinity of the proposed bridge. At the north end of the structure there is a bank about eight meters high while on the south end the bank slopes up quite slowly. The new bridge will probably be about 80-100 meters long with an approach embankment required for the south approach. Bridge piers will probably be located in Dismal Creek.



Figure 13.1 Driven Pile Design and Construction Process



Figure 13.1 Driven Pile Design and Construction Process (continued)

- 5. Seismic and vessel impact loads are not a design consideration. However, scour and debris loading must be considered for the bridge piers.
- 6. As yet the structure is not sufficiently defined to consider modifications in the structure due to site considerations.
- Foundation loads cannot be estimated very accurately at this time. A meeting with the bridge engineer indicates that, based on his experience, compression loads on the order of 10,000 to 15,000 kN per substructure location are likely. Typical deflection and deformation requirements are anticipated.

# 13.3 BLOCK 2 - OBTAIN GENERAL SITE GEOLOGY

Published data from the sources listed in Table 4-2 has been reviewed in the office planning stage. Geologists have also been contacted to provide information regarding the site geology. At first glance, an extensive subsurface exploration would probably not be required for this modest sized structure. However, a field reconnaissance survey of the area has been made by the foundation engineer and the project bridge engineer. Field observations of the eroded stream banks indicated that the surficial soils on the north side of Dismal Creek consist of silty sands while silty clays were noted in the south stream bank. The granular upland soils on the north approach and the cohesive lowland soils on the south approach further suggest that the subsurface explorations may be quite complex. Therefore, it would be desirable that fairly extensive subsurface exploration be made. The foundation engineer expected the site to be underlain by limestone bedrock at a depth of 30 to 50 meters, based on previous experience.

## 13.4 BLOCK 3 - COLLECT FOUNDATION EXPERIENCE FROM THE AREA

Agency files have been reviewed to determine if there are any existing soil borings in the area of the proposed bridge site. However, no previous subsurface information has been located. There are also no existing bridges in the vicinity of the planned structure to provide details on subsurface conditions or previous construction information and/or problems.

# 13.5 BLOCK 4 - DEVELOP AND EXECUTE SUBSURFACE EXPLORATION PROGRAM

Based on the information generated in Blocks 1 to 3, a subsurface exploration program was planned. The foundation engineer requested that the bridge engineer provide additional information on the planned structural configuration. Since some time had elapsed since the initial discussions regarding the proposed structural configuration, it was possible to better define the structure geometry. The proposed bridge will be supported at two abutments and two interior piers. Due to the possibly complex subsurface conditions, both a soil boring and an in-situ cone penetration test will be performed at each substructure location.

The subsurface program was performed and results of the exploration are included in Appendix E. This data was evaluated and a subsurface profile was prepared and is given in Figure 13.2.

## 13.6 BLOCK 5 - EVALUATE INFORMATION AND SELECT FOUNDATION SYSTEM

A decision must now be made regarding the foundation system that will be used. First, the foundation engineer met again with the bridge engineer to verify the final design loads and foundation locations. It was determined that the foundations will be located as anticipated at the last meeting. The Peach Freeway Bridge over Dismal Creek will be a three span structure supported at North and South Abutments and interior piers, Pier 2 and Pier 3. At the proposed bridge location, the only extreme event that must be considered is scour. The bridge is not in a region where seismic loads will influence the design and vessel impact is not a design consideration. Lateral loads will be induced by stream debris.

The foundation loads have now been well defined. The total axial compression loads have been established at 12,600 kN per substructure location. Other load conditions that include several combinations of axial and transverse loads result in axial compression, uplift, lateral, and moment loads at each substructure unit. These load combinations are too extensive to be repeated here. However, the lateral loads will range from 600 kN at the interior piers to 900 kN at the abutments, and the maximum uplift load on a pile group will be less than 1800 kN.



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The foundation performance requirements have also been established. Maximum pile group settlements less than 25 mm are required under the compression loads with maximum differential settlements between substructure units of 15 mm. Maximum horizontal deflections of up to 10 mm are permissible under lateral loading.

A hydraulics division study indicates that a shallow foundation should not be used under the two piers due to scour. In addition, settlement of a shallow foundation at Pier 3 is expected to be excessive. Therefore, the use of a shallow foundation was ruled out and a deep foundation will be required.

#### 13.7 BLOCK 6 - DEEP FOUNDATION TYPE

A decision must now be made between the use of driven piles and drilled shafts. Both driven piles and drilled shafts are commonly used in the region. However, a cost analysis indicates that a driven pile option will be more economical than drilled shafts because of the complex subsurface conditions. Therefore, a driven pile system is selected.

#### 13.8 BLOCK 7 AND 8 - SELECT DRIVEN PILE TYPE

All of the available information is now used to select a pile type as well as the number of piles and group arrangement. The limitations associated with the various design conditions are used to check the selection by analyzing the response of the pile to the applied loads. Initial design estimates and local availability of materials indicate square, precast, prestressed concrete piles will probably be the most cost effective foundation type. A 356 mm square, prestressed concrete pile is then selected. Pile groups of 24 piles arranged in three rows of eight piles each will be used at each substructure location. The maximum compressive design load is 890 kN, the design uplift load is 100 kN, and the maximum lateral load is 40 kN per pile.

# 13.9 BLOCK 9 - SELECT PILE LENGTH AND CALCULATE PERFORMANCE UNDER SPECIFIED LOADS

#### 13.9.1 Single Pile Capacity

Several static pile capacity calculations have been performed to determine the estimated pile length at each substructure unit (*i.e.*, North Abutment, Pier 2, Pier 3, and South Abutment) using the procedures presented in Chapter 9. Construction control procedures have been selected that will make a factor of safety of 2.0 appropriate. Therefore, an ultimate axial capacity of 1780 kN is required. At Piers 2 and 3, the effect of scour on the static axial capacity should also be calculated. Static pile capacity calculation details are given in Appendix F (including the scour calculation at Pier 2) and summaries of the calculations are provided in Tables 13-1 to 13-4.

The capacity calculation summaries indicate different static analysis methods will yield different results. Therefore, designers should use a method they fully understand, including the method limitations. Based upon the analyses performed, pile penetration lengths of 11.5 m are selected for the North Abutment, 14 m for Pier 2 (after scour), 13 m for Pier 3 (total stress  $\alpha$ -method so scour effect limited) and 21 m for the South Abutment (17.5 m if drag load not considered).

#### 13.9.2 Pile Group Capacity

The North Abutment piles will be driven into a dense cohesionless soil at center to center pile spacings greater than 4 diameters. Therefore, the ultimate pile group capacity for the North Abutment may be taken as the sum of the ultimate capacities of the individual piles in the group as discussed in Section 9.8.1.1. Similarly, the Pier 2 piles will be driven into a dense cohesionless soil at center to center pile spacings greater than 4 diameters. Therefore, the ultimate pile group capacity at Pier 2 may also be taken as the sum of the ultimate capacities of the individual piles in the group.

At Pier 3, the piles will be driven through cohesive soils and into a dense cohesionless layer at center to center pile spacings of 4 diameters. Since the piles will be founded in a dense cohesionless layer, the pile group capacity should be equal to the sum of the ultimate capacities of the individual piles in the group. However, the possibility of block failure should be checked in accordance with the procedures detailed in Section 9.8.1.3 particularly if the dense layer is underlain by a weaker deposit.

TABLE 13-1(a) NORTH ABUTMENT PILE CAPACITY SUMMARY FOR 11.5 m PILE EMBEDMENT			
Method Used for Estimation	Calculated	Calculated	Calculated
of Pile Capacity	Pile Shaft	Pile Toe	Ultimate
	Resistance	Resistance	Pile Capacity
	(kN)	(kN)	(kN)
Meyerhof Method - SPT Data	418	854	1,272
Nordlund Method - SPT Data	898	940	1,838
Effective Stress Method - SPT Data	537	1,294	1,831
SPILE Program - SPT Data	944	1,201	2,145
LPC CPT Program - CPT Data	780	511	1,291
Schmertmann Method - CPT Data	604	1,111	1,715

TABLE 13-1(b)NORTH ABUTMENT PILE LENGTH SUMMARY FOR A 1,780 kNULTIMATE PILE CAPACITY		
Method Used for Estimation	Calculated Pile Length for the 1,780 kN	
of Pile Capacity	Ultimate Pile Capacity	
Meyerhof Method - SPT Data	13.0 meters for 1,840 kN	
Nordlund Method - SPT Data	11.5 meters for 1,838 kN	
Effective Stress Method	11.5 meters for 1,831 kN	
SPILE Program - SPT Data	11.5 meters for 2,145 kN	
LPC CPT Program - CPT Data	13.5 meters for 1,815 kN	
Schmertmann Method - CPT Data	11.7 meters for 1,939 kN	

TABLE 13-2(a) PIER 2 PILE CAPACITY SUMMARY FOR 10.0 m PILE EMBEDMENT			
Method Used for Estimation	Calculated	Calculated	Calculated
of Pile Capacity	Pile Shaft	Pile Toe	Ultimate
	Resistance	Resistance	Pile Capacity
	(kN)	(kN)	(kN)
Meyerhof Method - SPT Data	1,134	1,676	2,810
Nordlund Method - SPT Data	984	854	1,838
Effective Stress Method	451	1,155	1,606
SPILE Program - SPT Data	992	1,106	2,098

TABLE 13-2(b) PIER 2 PILE LENGTH SUMMARY FOR A 1,780 kN ULTIMATE PILE		
Method Used for Estimation	Calculated Pile Length for the 1,780 kN	
of Pile Capacity	Ultimate Pile Capacity	
Meyerhof Method - SPT Data	1.0 meters for 2,136 kN	
Nordlund Method - SPT Data	10.0 meters for 1,838 kN	
Effective Stress Method	12.5 meters for 1,847 kN	
SPILE Program - SPT Data	10.0 meters for 2,098 kN	

TABLE 13-2(c)PIER 2 PILE CAPACITY SUMMARY BEFORE AND AFTER CHANNELDEGRADATION SCOUR BASED ON NORDLUND METHOD			
Pile Embedment	Ultimate Pile Capacity		
	Before Scour	After Scour	
10 meters	1,838 kN	1,347 kN	
14 meters	2,331 kN	1,887 kN	

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TABLE 13-3(a) PIER 3 PILE CAPACITY SUMMARY FOR 13.0 m PILE EMBEDMENT			
Method Used for Estimation	Calculated	Calculated	Calculated
of Pile Capacity	Pile Shaft	Pile Toe	Ultimate
	Resistance	Resistance	Pile Capacity
	(kN)	(kN)	(kN)
Nordlund and $\alpha$ Method - SPT Data	1,171	635	1,806
Effective Stress Method	525	1,059	1,584
SPILE Program - SPT Data	1,180	1,130	2,310
LPC CPT Program - CPT Data	1,189	841	2030
Schmertmann Method - CPT Data	1,727	1,231	2,958

TABLE 13-3(b) PIER 3 PILE LENGTH SUMMARY FOR A 1,780 kN ULTIMATE PILE CAPACITY		
Method Used for Estimation Calculated Pile Length for the 1,780		
of Pile Capacity	Ultimate Pile Capacity	
Nordlund and $\alpha$ Method - SPT Data	13.0 meters for 1,806 kN	
Effective Stress Method	14.0 meters for 1,980 kN	
SPILE Program - SPT Data	13.0 meters for 2,310 kN	
LPC CPT Program - CPT Data 12.5 meters for 1,826 kN		
Schmertmann Method - CPT Data	10.2 meters for 1,808 kN	

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Note: Strata transitions from very stiff clay to dense sand and gravel at an embedded pile length of 13 m.

TABLE 13-4(a)SOUTH ABUTMENT PILE CAPACITY SUMMARY FOR 17.5 m PILEEMBEDMENT.			
Method Used for Estimation	Calculated	Calculated	Calculated
of Pile Capacity	Pile Shaft	Pile Toe	Ultimate
	Resistance	Resistance	Pile Capacity
	(kN)	(kN)	(kN)
α Method	1,648	182	1,830
Effective Stress Method	898	715	1,613
SPILE Program	1,645	182	1,827
LPC CPT Program - CPT Data	1,361	328	1,689
Schmertmann Method - CPT Data	1,717	353	2,070

TABLE 13-4(b) SOUTH ABUTMENT PILE LENGTH SUMMARY FOR A 1,780 kN ULTIMATE PILE CAPACITY		
Method Used for Estimation	Calculated Pile Length for the 1,780 kN	
of Pile Capacity Ultimate Pile Capacity		
α Method 17.5 meters for 1,830 kN		
Effective Stress Method	18.7 meters for 1,800 kN	
SPILE Program	17.5 meters for 1,827 kN	
LPC CPT Program - CPT Data 19.5 meters for 1,807 kN		
Schmertmann Method - CPT Data 15.2 meters for 1,828 kN		

**Note:** These analyses do not consider the influence of downdrag loads on pile capacity which are discussed in Section 13.9.6.

At the South Abutment, the ultimate pile group capacity against block failure has been calculated and compared with the ultimate pile group capacity from the sum of the ultimate capacities of the individual piles times the group efficiency. Based on the design recommendations outlined in Section 9.8.1.2, a group efficiency of 1.0 was used. This calculation, included in Section F.2.4.1 of Appendix F, indicates that ultimate capacity against block failure is greater than the ultimate capacity of the group. Therefore, block failure is not a design issue.

At all four substructure locations, the group capacity meets the design requirements.

# 13.9.3 Group Settlement Calculations

The substructure of the bridge is designed to be supported on a pile group having 3 rows of piles with 8 piles in each row. The piles are arranged at 1.5 m center to center spacing with a total pile group area of 3.36 m by 10.86 m. Piles in a group are combined with a pile cap having a dimension of 4.5 m by 12 m. The maximum pile group settlement should be less than 25 mm under the compression loads with maximum differential settlements of 15 mm between substructure units.

At the North Abutment, group settlement has been calculated using the Meyerhof Method detailed in Section 9.8.2.2. Results of this calculation are given in Appendix F.3.1 and indicate that the total pile group settlement is 12.2 mm due to soil compression and elastic pile compression. This is less than the maximum allowable settlement of 25 mm.

At Pier 2, group settlement has also been calculated using the Meyerhof Method detailed in Section 9.8.2.2. Results of this calculation are given in Appendix F.3.2 and indicate that the total pile group settlement is 13.2 mm due to soil compression and elastic pile compression. This is less than the maximum allowable of 25 mm.

At Pier 3, group settlement has been calculated using the equivalent footing method for layered soils described in Section 9.8.2.4 and the Meyerhof Method detailed in Section 9.8.2.2. Results of these calculations are given in Appendix F.3.3. The calculated settlement using the equivalent footing method is 16.1 mm including soil settlement and elastic pile compression. Most of this calculated settlement (12 mm) is in the clay layer. Since the piles are supported in an underlying dense sand and gravel layer where settlements are calculated to be 3.0 mm, it is unlikely that the calculated settlement in the clay layer could develop due to the lack of strain compatibility between layers. The

Meyerhof Method calculation indicates a group settlement of 9.0 mm including soil settlement and pile compression. In this soil profile, the Meyerhof Method calculation is considered a better indicator of probable foundation performance under load. Therefore the calculated settlement at Pier 3 of 9.0 mm is less than the maximum allowable of 25 mm.

At the South Abutment, group settlement has been calculated using the equivalent footing method described in Section 9.8.2.3. Results of this calculation are provided in Appendix F.3.4 and indicate that the group settlement at the South Abutment is 28 mm including soil and pile compression. This is larger than the maximum allowable pile group settlement of 25 mm. The group settlement will even be larger after the placement of the approach embankment fill materials behind the abutment wall. The settlement from embankment construction <u>alone</u> is calculated to be 500 mm. Therefore, preloading of the South Abutment should be performed prior to pile installation.

With preloading of the South Abutment, group settlements could be kept within the foundation performance criteria. Differential settlements between substructure units have been calculated to be within the 15 mm criterion for differential settlement provided preloading at the South Abutment is performed.

#### 13.9.4 Lateral Pile Capacity Analysis

The bridge division has estimated that the group lateral loads range from 600 kN at the interior pile groups to 900 kN at the abutment pile groups. The maximum lateral load per pile is limited to 40 kN. A horizontal deflection of up to 10 mm is permissible under lateral loading.

A simple Broms' Method lateral pile capacity analysis has been performed for the North Abutment piles. This calculation, included in Appendix F.4.1, indicates that the maximum lateral load per pile is 25 kN in order to meet the 10 mm deflection requirement. This lateral load is less than desired. Therefore, the group capacity of 600 kN (24 piles at 25 kN/pile) is less than the 900 kN required, and more piles would be needed.

A more rigorous COM624P analysis was also performed to evaluate the lateral load capacity of the 356 mm square prestressed concrete pile at the North Abutment. This analysis is included in Appendix F.4.2 and indicates that the pile deflection under the 40 kN design load will be 3.8 mm. The corresponding maximum moment and shear stress are -55.2 m-kN and 14,600 kN/m<sup>2</sup>. The deflection, moment and shear stress under the design load are

acceptable. Hence, the more rigorous COM624P analysis indicates a 40 kN design lateral load could be used whereas the Broms' Method indicated only a 25 kN design load.

A COM624P analysis was also performed to evaluate the lateral load capacity of the 356 mm square prestressed concrete pile at the South Abutment. This analysis is included in Appendix F.4.5 and indicates that the pile deflection under the 40 kN design load will be 2.5 mm. The corresponding maximum moment and shear stress are -46.1 m-kN and 13, 400  $kN/m^2$ . The deflection, moment and shear stress under the design load are acceptable.

Additional COM624P analyses should be performed to evaluate Piers 2 and 3. In addition, the pile group response should be evaluated at all substructure units using the p-multiplier approach described in Section 9.8.4.

#### 13.9.5 Uplift Capacity Calculations

The maximum uplift load on a pile group is estimated to be 1,800 kN with a maximum uplift load per pile of 100 kN. A calculation of the uplift capacity of the North Abutment pile group has been performed following AASHTO Code (1994) for service load design as outlined in Section 9.8.3.1. Following this procedure, the uplift capacity of the North Abutment pile group is 2,475 kN, which is greater than the maximum uplift load of 1,800 kN. Uplift calculation results are included in Appendix F.5.1.

A calculation of the uplift capacity of the Pier 2 pile group has also been performed in Appendix F.5.2. Following this procedure, the uplift capacity of the Pier 2 pile group is 2,616 kN, which is greater than the maximum uplift load of 1,800 kN.

At Pier 3, an uplift capacity calculation in accordance with AASHTO code yielded an uplift capacity of 3,354 kN, which is greater than the maximum uplift load of 1,800 kN. Uplift calculation results for Pier 3 are included in Appendix F.5.3.

A calculation of the uplift capacity of the South Abutment pile group has also been performed. The uplift capacity of the South Abutment pile group is 4,275 kN, which is greater than the maximum uplift load of 1,800 kN. Uplift calculation result for the South Abutment are included in Appendix F.5.4.

#### 13.9.6 Negative Shaft Resistance

Piles at the South Abutment will be subjected to negative shaft resistance or downdrag loading due to soil settlement following the placement of 10 m of approach embankment material behind the abutment after pile installation. This settlement needs to be estimated prior to determining the location of the negative and positive shaft resistances along the pile. The  $\alpha$ -method is now used to estimate both the positive and negative shaft resistance components. The step by step procedure for the calculation of downdrag loading is presented in Section 9.9.1.1a.

Following this procedure, a drag load of 259 kN has been calculated. The net ultimate pile capacity for a 17.5 m embedded length available to resist imposed loads is then only 1,312 kN which is smaller than the required ultimate pile capacity. Therefore, alternatives such as preloading to reduce settlement and thereby the drag load, use of bitumen coatings to reduce pile-soil adhesion and thereby the drag load, or use of longer length piles to carry the drag load should be evaluated.

Calculations indicate use of bitumen coating to a depth of 5.5 m pile would reduce the negative shaft resistance to 78 kN. However, the net ultimate pile capacity available to resist imposed loads on a 17.5 m embedded length pile is still only 1,493 kN which is less than the required ultimate pile capacity of 1780 kN.

Calculations indicate the use of a 21 m long pile with a bitumen coating to a depth of 5.5 m would increase the ultimate pile capacity to 1,908 kN. With these 21 m long piles, the net ultimate pile capacity available to resist imposed loads is 1,830 kN. Hence, this alternate provides the required ultimate capacity. However, cost analyses of preloading, bitumen coatings, and longer piles in conjunction with meeting performance criteria requirements should be performed before making the final selection. The negative shaft resistance calculations are given in Appendix F.6.1.

A stub abutment instead of a full height abutment may also be a solution at the South Abutment. The stub abutment could be supported on a spread footing with specified embankment material and density control in the foundation area. A stub abutment with pile foundation is another alternative available for consideration.

This design problem illustrates the difficulties encountered in designing pile foundations in clay where substantial settlements occur and large drag loads are encountered by piles.

#### 13.9.7 Lateral Squeeze Evaluation

The South Abutment should be evaluated for the potential for lateral squeeze following the guidelines presented in Section 9.9.3 of Chapter 9. Following these procedures, calculations presented in Appendix F.7.1 indicate that abutment tilting can occur. If piles are placed before any soil compression occurs, calculations indicate horizontal movement of 124 mm, which is not tolerable. If piles are driven after 90% of vertical settlement has occurred, calculations indicate horizontal movements of 12.4 mm. This is greater than the performance criteria but could be tolerated if provisions were made in the bridge shoe and expansion joint design.

#### 13.9.8 Overall Design Assessment

The selected pile lengths have now been checked for compression, lateral, and uplift loading as well as settlements. With preloading at the South Abutment group capacities and settlements are satisfactory. At this point the design has been found acceptable from a geotechnical perspective to meet the performance requirements.

#### 13.10 BLOCK 10 - CALCULATE DRIVEABILITY

The driveability of the proposed pile section and lengths for the required ultimate pile capacity must now be evaluated using a wave equation program analysis. The soil resistance versus depth has been calculated for each substructure location using the DRIVEN program and then input into the GRLWEAP wave equation program. Details on the DRIVEN program are given in Chapter 9 and the GRLWEAP wave equation program is presented in Chapter 17 of Volume II.

At this stage, driveability analysis results indicate that the proposed 356 mm concrete piles would work well at the abutments. However, at the interior piers, the driveability of these displacement piles through the extremely dense sand and gravel layer may be quite difficult. The driveability results at Pier 2 are presented and discussed in greater detail in Section 17.5.5. These results indicate displacement piles would like encounter refusal driving conditions when penetrating the extremely dense sand and gravel layer. Therefore, a low displacement pile, such as an H-pile, may be necessary at the interior piers to meet pile penetration requirements dictated by scour. Therefore, the design process should return to Block 8 and evaluate an H-pile solution at the interior piers.

## 13.11 BLOCK 11 - DESIGN SATISFACTORY?

After a driveability review, H-piles are chosen for the pile foundation at the interior pier and precast concrete for the abutments. COM624P analyses for the H-piles at Piers and 3 are then performed and are presented in Appendix F.4.3. and F.4.4, respectively. To satisfy capacity requirements in the event of scour, the H-piles would need to be driven to within 1.5 meters of bedrock. Driveability results for the H-pile solution at Pier 2, presented in Section 17.5.5, indicate H-piles could be driven to bedrock. Therefore, it may also be feasible to increase the pile capacity and use fewer piles. The H-piles at the interior piers were found to meet all the design requirements including driveability. Therefore, all of the design requirements are now satisfied.

# 13.12 BLOCK 12 - PREPARE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS, SET FIELD CAPACITY DETERMINATION PROCEDURE

The foundation design report should now be prepared. This report should summarize the results of the subsurface exploration program, laboratory test data, static analyses, an specific design and construction recommendations. The report should also highlight any special notes which should be incorporated into the plans or specifications which are also prepared at this time. For example, the preloading requirement at the South Abutment to reduce foundation settlements and drag loads should be clearly stated in the project plans and specifications.

Because of the variability of the subsurface site conditions, the foundation report recommended construction control using a static load test. Wave equation analysis is also required for driving system approval. In addition, dynamic testing has been specified during initial driving and restriking of two test piles per each substructure location. These test piles are to be driven in advance of production pile driving. The required ultimate pile capacity, driving stress limits, and testing methods are then incorporated into the plans and specifications.

#### 13.13 BLOCK 13 - CONTRACTOR SELECTION

At this time the bidding process is completed, a successful contractor is selected.

# 13.14 BLOCK 14 - PERFORM WAVE EQUATION ANALYSIS OF CONTRACTOR'S EQUIPMENT SUBMISSION

The engineering effort now shifts to the field. The contractor has submitted the Pile Driving and Equipment Data form shown in Figure 12.1 for the engineer's evaluation of the proposed driving system. The design stage driveability studies were saved and can now be reanalyzed using the proposed driving system as part of the hammer approval process. Additional wave equation analyses are now performed to determine the driving resistance that must be achieved in the field to meet the required capacity and pile penetration depth. Driving stresses are also determined and checked against specification requirements. All conditions are satisfactory, and the equipment is approved for pile driving.

#### 13.15 BLOCK 15 - SET PRELIMINARY DRIVING CRITERIA

Based on the results of the wave equation analysis of Block 14 along with minimum pile penetration requirements for scour, the preliminary driving criteria is set.

#### 13.16 BLOCK 16 - DRIVE TEST PILE AND EVALUATE CAPACITY

Test piles are now driven using the preliminary driving criteria at each substructure location. Dynamic testing is performed on the test piles during initial driving and during restrike. The ultimate pile capacity is confirmed at each substructure unit by the dynamic test results and the correlating static load test.

#### 13.17 BLOCK 17 - ADJUST DRIVING CRITERIA OR DESIGN

At this stage the final conditions can be set. If test results from Block 16 had indicated the capacity was inadequate, the driving criteria may have to be changed. In a few cases, it may be necessary to make changes in the design as far back as Block 8. If major changes are required, it will be necessary to repeat Blocks 14, 15, and 16.

## 13.18 BLOCK 18 - CONSTRUCTION CONTROL

After the driving criteria is set, the production pile driving proceeds following established quality control procedures.

# 14. FOUNDATION DESIGN REPORT PREPARATION

A foundation design report should be prepared to present the results of the subsurface explorations, laboratory test data, analysis, and specific design and construction recommendations for the foundation system of a structure. The foundation report is referred to frequently during the design and construction period as well as in resolving post construction issues such as claims. It is therefore important that the foundation report be clear, concise and accurate. The foundation report is a very important document and should be prepared and reviewed accordingly.

As described in Chapter 13, the foundation design evolves as information is gathered and analyzed. Preliminary design recommendations based on, and/or transmitted with initial subsurface data does not constitute a foundation design report. A foundation design report should be developed with the full knowledge of loads, special design events, performance criteria and any site restrictions. Only with this full knowledge can a foundation design report be prepared with appropriate content and quality. The parts of a foundation design report are described in greater detail in Section 14.2.

The foundation report should be widely distributed to design, construction and maintenance engineers involved in the project. The foundation report should also furnish information regarding anticipated construction problems and solutions. This will provide a basis for the contractor's cost estimates.

The foundation design report should be completed and available to the designer prior to final design. The foundation drawings, special provisions, and foundation design report should all be cross-checked for compliance upon completion of final design documents. Conflicts between any of these documents greatly increases the potential for construction problems.

#### 14.1 GUIDELINES FOR FOUNDATION DESIGN REPORT PREPARATION

- 1. The geotechnical engineer responsible for the report preparation should have a broad enough background in geotechnical and highway engineering to have knowledge of the foundation requirements and limitations for various types of structures. This includes knowledge in specifications, construction procedures, construction methods, quality control and assurance, and structural components.
- 2. The geotechnical engineer must have a clear and complete understanding of the compression, uplift and lateral load demands, performance criteria regarding deformations and constraints or restrictions.
- 3. The report should contain an interpretation and analysis of subsurface and site data. This includes a description of analysis and results in a summarized form.
- 4. The report should contain specific engineering recommendations for design.
- 5. Recommendations should be brief, concise, and definitive.
- 6. Reasons for recommendations and their supporting data should always be included.
- 7. Extraneous data of little use to the designer or Project Engineer should be omitted.
- 8. Discussion of soil materials and subsurface conditions which may be encountered during construction should be included.
- 9. Possible design and/or construction problems should be anticipated and recommendations for their solution should be included in the report.
- 10. The report should highlight any special notes which need to be placed on the plans or in the specifications.

# 14.2 PARTS OF A FOUNDATION DESIGN REPORT

A standard format provides uniformity of report writing as well as a checklist, so that major foundation design and construction considerations are not overlooked. The Soil and Foundations Workshop Manual FHWA HI-88-009 by Cheney and Chassie (1993) contains a foundation report outline that has been modified to include information from the AASHTO manual on Subsurface Investigations (1988). This modified outline is presented below and is recommended as a report preparation guide.

#### I. Table of Contents

- II. Introduction
  - 1. Summary of proposed construction, including foundation loading conditions (vertical and horizontal, static and dynamic, various combinations).
  - 2. Summary of special design events: scour, seismic, vessel impact.
  - 3. Foundation performance criteria (total and differential settlements, lateral deformation, vibration limits).
- III. Scope of Explorations
  - 1. Field explorations (summary of dates and methods, appended results).
  - 2. Laboratory Testing (summary of types of tests, appended results).
- IV. Interpretation of Subsurface Conditions
  - 1. Description of formations.
  - 2. Soil types.
  - 3. Dip and strike of rock.
    - a. Regional.
    - b. Local.

- 4. Water table data.
  - a. Perched.
  - b. Regional.
  - c. Artesian.
- V. Design Soil Parameters
  - 1. Narrative to describe procedure for evaluating all factual data to establish design values.
    - a. Shear strength.
    - b. Compressibility.
- VI. Design Analysis
  - 1. Description of design procedures.
  - 2. Summary of results.
  - 3. Explanation of interpretation.
- VII. Geotechnical Conclusions and Recommendations
  - 1. Approach embankment considerations (primarily for fills over soft, weak subsoils).
    - a. Stability.
      - 1. Excavation and replacement of unsuitable materials.
      - 2. Counterberm.
      - 3. Stage construction, time delay.
      - 4. Other treatment methods: change alignment, lower grade, lightweight fill, etc.
      - 5. Estimated factors of safety with and without treatment: estimated costs for treatment alternates, recommended treatment.

- b. Settlement of subsoils.
  - 1. Estimated settlement amount.
  - 2. Estimated settlement time.
  - 3. Surcharge height.
  - 4. Special foundation treatment: vertical drains, soil densification, soil removal and replacement, *etc.*
  - 5. Waiting periods.
  - 6. Downdrag loads on deep foundations.
  - 7. Lateral squeeze of soft subsoils.
- c. Construction considerations.
  - 1. Select fill material: gradation and compaction requirements.
  - 2. Construction monitoring (instrumentation).
- d. Special notes.
- 2. Spread footing support.
  - a. Elevation of bottom of footing: based on frost depth, scour depth, or depth to competent bearing material.
  - b. Allowable bearing pressure: based on settlement or bearing capacity, considering soil or rock type, adjacent foundations, water table, *etc.*
  - c. Footing size used in computations.
  - d. Estimated settlement of soil supported footings.
  - e. Resistance to sliding of soil supported footings.
  - f. Excavation, structural fill, and dewatering requirements.
  - g. Special notes.

- 3. Pile foundation support.
  - a. Method of pile support: shaft resistance, toe resistance, or both. Delineation of unsuitable support layers due to compressibility, scour, or liquefaction.
  - b. Suitable pile types: reasons for choice and/or exclusion of types.
  - c. Pile toe elevations.
    - 1. Estimated toe elevation, (average estimated values from static analyses with probable variation potential).
    - 2. Specified toe elevation, (toe elevation required due to underlying soft layers, negative shaft resistance, scour, lateral or uplift loads, piles uneconomically long, *etc.*).
  - d. Estimated pile lengths.
  - e. Allowable pile design loads for compression, uplift, and lateral loading.
  - f. Estimated pile group settlement; very important for pile groups in cohesive soils and large groups in a cohesionless soil deposit underlain by compressible soils.
  - g. Test piles to establish order lengths; specify test locations for maximum utility.
  - h. Static pile load tests; specify test locations for maximum utility.
    - 1. Axial compression.
    - 2. Axial tension.
    - 3. Lateral.
  - i. Dynamic pile load tests; specify test locations and retap frequency.
  - j. Driving criteria; specify use of wave equation analysis or dynamic formula.

- k. Estimated ultimate soil resistance to overcome in order to reach estimated pile length.
- I. Preboring, pile toe reinforcement, or other requirements to reach pile penetration requirements or handle potential obstructions.
- m. Pile driving requirements: hammer size, tolerances, etc.
- n. Cofferdams and seals; seal design should consider potential conflicts between batter piles driven at alignment tolerance limits and depth of sheeting. Group densification inside sheeting for displacement piles in sands, or heave for displacement piles in clays should be considered.
- o. Corrosion effects or chemical attack; particular concern in marine environments, old dumps, areas with soil or groundwater contaminants.
- p. Effects of pile driving on adjacent construction; settlements from vibrations and development of excess pore water pressures in soil.
- q. Special notes.
- 4. Drilled shaft support.
  - a. Method of drilled shaft support: shaft resistance, toe resistance, or both. Delineation of unsuitable support layers.
  - b. Shaft diameter and configuration: straight shafts, belled, rock sockets.
  - c. Anticipated support elevation and resulting shaft length.
  - d. Specified or likely construction method: dry, casing, slurry.
  - e. Allowable shaft load for compression, uplift, and lateral loading with consideration of construction method.
  - f. Estimated settlement.

- g. Load tests; specify test locations for maximum utility.
  - 1. Axial compression (specify static, Osterberg cell, or dynamic).
  - 2. Axial tension.
  - 3. Lateral.
- h. Integrity tests; specify type, frequency, and access tube material and placement, (if required).
  - 1. Low strain pulse echo tests.
  - 2. Cross hole sonic logging.
  - 3. Down hole parallel seismic.
  - 4. High strain dynamic tests.
- i. Anticipated construction difficulties due to boulders, obstructions, groundwater, artesian conditions, unstable ground, *etc.*
- j. Special notes.
- 5. Special design considerations.
  - a. Seismic design; design earthquake ground acceleration, liquefaction potential (loose saturated sands and silts).
  - b. Lateral earth pressures against retaining walls and high bridge abutments.
- VIII. Construction Considerations
  - 1. Water table: fluctuations, control in excavation, pumping, tremie seals, etc.
  - 2. Excavations: safe slopes for open excavations, need for sheeting shoring, etc.
  - 3. Adjacent structures: protection against damage from excavation, pile driving vibrations, drilled shaft ground loss, drainage, *etc.*
  - 4. Special notes.

- VIV. Appendix: Graphic Presentations
  - 1. Map showing project location.
  - 2. Detailed plan of the site showing proposed structure(s) borehole locations and existing structures.
  - 3. Laboratory test data.
  - 4. Finished boring logs and interpreted soil profile.
- X. Report Distribution

Copies of the completed Foundation Report should be transmitted to:

- 1. Bridge design section.
- 2. Roadway design section.
- 3. Construction section.
- 4. Project engineer.
- 5. Residency or maintenance group.
- 6. Others, as required by agency policy.

#### 14.3 INFORMATION MADE AVAILABLE TO BIDDERS

The information developed during the foundation design is of value to contractors bidding on the project. Disagreement exists among owners, engineers and lawyers as to what information should be made available to the bidders. It is generally in the interest of the highway agency to release all pertinent information prior to the bid.

The finished boring logs and/or generalized soil profile should be included in the contract plans. Other subsurface information, such as soil and rock samples, results of field and laboratory testing and the foundation design report, should be made available for inspection by bidders.

Disclaimers should be used very carefully. "General" disclaimer clauses should be avoided. "Specific" disclaimer clauses are given more weight by the courts in settling contract disputes. A good example of a "specific" disclaimer is provided in the paragraph below. Refer to Cheney and Chassie (1993) for additional information.

"The observed water levels and/or conditions indicated on the subsurface profiles are as recorded at the time of exploration. These water levels and/or conditions may vary considerably, with time, according to the prevailing climate, rainfall or other factors and are otherwise dependent on the duration of and methods used in the explorations program."

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# APPENDIX B

# List of ASTM Pile Design and Testing Specifications

#### <u>DESIGN</u>

Standard Specification for Welded and Seamless Steel Pipe Piles. ASTM Designation: A 252

Standard Specification for Round Timber Piles. ASTM Designation: D 25

Standard Method for Establishing Design Stresses for Round Timber Piles. ASTM Designation: D 2899

Standard Methods for Establishing Clear Wood Strength Values. ASTM Designation: D 2555

#### **TESTING**

Standard Method for Testing Piles under Axial Compressive Load. ASTM Designation: D 1143

Standard Method for Testing Individual Piles under Static Axial Tensile Load. ASTM Designation: D 3689

Standard Method for Testing Piles under Lateral Load. ASTM Designation: D 3966

Standard Test Method for High Strain Dynamic Testing of Piles. ASTM Designation: D 4945

Standard Test Method for Low Strain Dynamic Testing of Piles. ASTM Designation: D 5882
## APPENDIX C

# Information and Data on Various Pile Types

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Approximate Pile Dimensions and Design Properties

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Designation and Outside	Wall	Area	Weight	Seci	ion Properties	6	Area of	Inside Cross	Inside	External
Diameter	Thickness	A	Meter	I	S	r	Surface	Area	volume	Index
mm	mm	mm²	N	mm⁴ x 10⁵	mm³ x 10³	mm	m²/m	mm²	m³/m	*
PP203	3.58	2,245	173	11.197	110.12	70.61	0.64	30,193	0.0301	266
	4.17	2,607	200	12.903	127.00	70.36	0.64	29,806	0.0298	422
	4.37	2,729	210	13.486	132.74	70.36	0.64	29,677	0.0296	487
	4.55	2,839	218	13.985	137.82	70.36	0.64	29,613	0.0296	548
	4.78	2,974	229	14.651	144.21	70.10	0.64	29,484	0.0293	621
	5.56	3,452	266	16.857	165.51	69.85	0.64	28,968	0.0291	874
PP219	2.77	1,884	145	10.989	100.45	76.45	0.69	35,806	0.0359	97
	3.18	2,155	166	12.570	114.55	76.45	0.69	35,548	0.0356	147
	3.58	2,426	187	14.069	128.47	76.20	0.69	35,290	0.0354	212
	3.96	2,678	206	15.484	141.42	75.95	0.69	35,032	0.0351	288
	4.17	2,813	216	16.233	148.30	75.95	0.69	34,903	0.0349	335
	4.37	2,949	227	16.982	155.02	75.95	0.69	34,774	0.0349	388
	4.55	3,065	236	17.648	160.92	75.95	0.69	34,645	0.0346	438
	4.78	3,213	247	18.481	168.79	75.69	0.69	34,452	0.0344	508
	5.16	3,465	266	19.813	180.26	75.69	0.69	34,258	0.0341	623
	5.56	3,729	287	21.269	195.01	75.44	0.69	33,935	0.0339	744
	6.35	4,245	326	24.017	219.59	75.18	0.69	33,419	0.0334	979
	7.04	4,684	360	26.389	240.89	74.93	0.69	33,032	0.0331	1,180
	7.92	5,258	404	29.344	267.11	74.68	0.69	32,452	0.0324	1,500
	8.18	5,420	417	30.177	275.30	74.68	0.69	32,258	0.0324	1,600
	8.74	5,775	444	31.967	291.69	74.42	0.69	31,935	0.0319	1,820
	9.53	6,271	482	34.506	314.63	74.17	0.69	31,419	0.0314	2,120
	10.31	6,775	520	36.920	337.57	73.91	0.69	30,903	0.0309	2,420
	11.13	7,291	559	39.417	358.88	73.66	0.69	30,452	0.0304	2,740
	12.70	8,259	633	44.121	401.48	73.15	0.69	29,484	0.0293	3,340

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Approximate Pile Dimensions and Design Properties

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Designation and	Wall	Area	Weight	Sect	ion Properties	3	Area of	Inside Cross	Inside	External
Diameter	Inickness	A	per Meter	I	S	r	Surface	Area	volume	Index
mm	mm	mm²	N	mm⁴ x 10 <sup>6</sup>	mm³ x 10³	mm	m²/m	mm²	m³/m	*
PP254	2.77	2,187	168	17.232	135.68	88.90	0.80	48,516	0.0484	62
	3.05	2,400	185	18.939	148.96	88.65	0.80	48,258	0.0482	83
	3.40	2,678	206	21.020	165.51	88.65	0.80	48,000	0.0479	116
	3.58	2,820	217	22.102	173.70	88.65	0.80	47,871	0.0479	135
	3.81	2,994	230	23.434	185.17	88.39	0.80	47,677	0.0477	163
	4.17	3,271	251	25.515	201.56	88.39	0.80	47,419	0.0474	214
	4.37	3,426	263	26.680	209.75	88.39	0.80	47,226	0.0472	247
	4.55	3,562	274	27.721	217.95	88.14	0.80	47,097	0.0472	279
	4.78	3,742	287	29.053	229.42	88.14	0.80	46,903	0.0469	324
	5.16	4,033	310	31.217	245.81	87.88	0.80	46,645	0.0467	409
	5.56	4,342	334	33.507	263.83	87.88	0.80	46,322	0.0464	515
	5.84	4,555	350	35.088	276.94	87.88	0.80	46,129	0.0462	588
	6.35	4,942	380	37.919	298.24	87.63	0.80	45,742	0.0457	719
PP273	2.77	2,349	181	21.478	157.32	95.50	0.86	56,193	0.0562	50
	3.05	2,587	199	23.559	172.06	95.50	0,86	56,000	0.0559	67
	3.18	2,690	207	24.516	180.26	95.50	0.86	55,871	0.0559	76
	3.40	2,884	222	26.223	191.73	95.25	0.86	55,677	0.0557	93
	3.58	3,032	233	27.513	201.56	95.25	0.86	55,548	0.0554	109
Į	3.81	3,226	248	29.219	214.67	95.25	0.86	55,355	0.0554	131
	3.96	3,349	258	30.343	222.86	95.25	0.86	55,226	0.0552	148
	4.17	3,516	271	31.800	232.70	95.00	0.86	55,032	0.0549	172
	4.37	3,691	284	33.299	244.17	95.00	0.86	54,839	0.0549	199
	4.55	3,832	295	34.589	254.00	95.00	0.86	54,710	0.0547	224
	4.78	4,026	310	36.212	265.47	94.74	0.86	54,516	0.0544	260
	5.16	4,342	334	38.959	285.13	94.74	0.86	54,193	0.0542	328
li i	5.56	4,679	359	41.623	306.44	94.49	0.86	53,871	0.0539	414

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Designation and	Wall	Area	Weight	Sect	ion Properties	5	Area of	Inside Cross	Inside	External
Outside Diameter	Thickness	А	per Meter	I	S	r	Exterior Surface	Sectional Area	Volume	Collapse Index
mm	mm	mm²	N	mm⁴ x 10⁵	mm <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>3</sup>	mm	m²/m	mm²	m³/m	*
PP273	5.84	4,904	377	43.704	321.19	94.49	0.86	53,677	0.0537	480
(cont a)	6.35	5,323	409	47.450	347.41	94.23	0.86	53,226	0.0532	605
	7.09	5,923	455	52.445	383.46	93.98	0.86	52,645	0.0527	781
	7.80	6,517	500	57.024	419.51	93.73	0.86	52,064	0.0522	951
	8.74	7,226	558	63.267	465.39	93.47	0.86	51,290	0.0514	1,180
	9.27	7,678	591	67.013	489.97	93.22	0.86	50,903	0.0509	1,320
	11.13	9,162	704	78.668	576.82	92.71	0.86	49,419	0.0494	1,890
	12.70	10,389	799	88.241	645.65	92.20	0.86	48,193	0.0482	2,380
PP305	3.40	3,226	248	36.587	240.89	106.68	0.96	69,677	0.0697	67
	3.58	3,387	261	38.460	252.36	106.43	0.96	69,677	0.0695	78
	3.81	3,600	277	40.791	267.11	106.43	0.96	69,677	0.0695	94
	4.17	3,936	303	44.537	291.69	106.43	0.96	69,032	0.0690	123
	4.37	4,123	317	46.618	304.80	106.17	0.96	69,032	0.0687	142
	4.55	4,291	330	48.283	317.91	106.17	0.96	68,387	0.0687	161
	4.78	4,503	346	50.780	332.66	106.17	0.96	68,387	0.0685	186
	5.16	4,852	373	54.526	357.24	105.92	0.96	68,387	0.0682	235
	5.56	5,233	402	58.689	383.46	105.92	0.96	67,742	0.0677	296
	5.84	5,484	422	61.186	403.12	105.66	0.96	67,742	0.0675	344
	6.35	5,955	458	66.181	435.90	105.66	0.96	67,097	0.0670	443
	7.14	6,646	513	74.089	485.06	105.16	0.96	66,451	0.0662	616
	7.92	7,420	568	81.581	534.22	104.90	0.96	65,806	0.0655	784
PP324	2.77	2,794	215	36.004	222.86	113.54	1.02	79,355	0.0795	30
	3.18	3,200	246	41.124	254.00	113.28	1.02	79,355	0.0793	45
	3.40	3,426	264	44.121	272.03	113.28	1.02	78,710	0.0790	56
	3.58	3,607	277	46.202	285.13	113.28	1.02	78,710	0.0788	65
	3.81	3,832	295	49.115	303.16	113.29	1.02	78,710	0.0785	78
	3.96	3,981	306	50.780	314.63	113.03	1.02	78,710	0.0785	88
	4.17	4,181	322	53.278	329.38	113.03	1.02	78,064	0.0783	103

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		PIPE PILES         Approximate Pile Dimensions and Design Properties         Section Properties											
Designation and	Wall	Area	Weight	Sect	ion Properties		Area of	Inside Cross	Inside	External			
Outside Diameter	Thickness	A	per Meter	1	S	r	Surface	Area	volume	Index			
mm	mm	mm²	N	mm⁴ x 10⁵	mm <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>3</sup>	mm	m²/m	mm²	m³/m	*			
PP324	4.37	4,387	337	55.775	345.77	113.03	1.02	78,064	0.0780	118			
(cont a)	4.55	4,562	351	58.272	358.88	113.03	1.02	78,064	0.0778	134			
	4.78	4,787	368	60.770	376.90	112.78	1.02	77,419	0.0775	155			
	5.16	5,162	397	65.765	404.76	112.78	1.02	77,419	0.0773	196			
	5.56	5,562	428	70.343	435.90	112.52	1.02	76,774	0.0768	246			
	5.84	5,839	449	73.673	455.56	112.52	1.02	76,774	0.0765	286			
	6.35	6,336	487	79.916	493.25	112.27	1.02	76,129	0.0760	368			
	7.14	7,097	546	89.074	550.61	112.01	1.02	75,484	<sup>·</sup> 0.0753	526			
Į	7.92	7,871	605	98.231	606.32	111.76	1.02	74,193	0.0745	684			
	8.38	8,323	639	103.225	639.10	111.51	1.02	74,193	0.0740	776			
	8.74	8,646	665	107.388	663.68	111.51	1.02	73,548	0.0737	848			
1	9.53	9,420	723	116.129	717.75	111.25	1.02	72,903	0.0730	1,010			
	10.31	10,131	781	124.869	771.83	111.00	1.02	72,258	0.0722	1,170			
	11.13	10,905	840	133.610	825.91	110.74	1.02	71,613	0.0715	1,350			
	12.70	12,389	955	150.676	929.15	109.98	1.02	69,677	0.0700	1,760			
PP356	3.40	3,768	290	58.272	327.74	124.47	1.12	95,484	0.0956	42			
	3.58	3,962	305	61.186	345.77	124.47	1.12	95,484	0.0953	49			
	3.81	4,213	324	65.348	367.07	124.46	1.12	94,839	0.0951	59			
	3.96	4,374	337	67.846	380.18	124.21	1.12	94,839	0.0948	66			
	4.17	4,600	354	71.176	399.84	124.21	1.12	94,839	0.0948	77			
	4.37	4,820	371	74.505	417.87	124.21	1.12	94,193	0.0946	89			
	4.55	5,013	386	77.419	434.26	124.21	1.12	94,193	0.0943	101			
	4.78	5,265	405	81.165	455.56	123.95	1.12	94,193	0.0941	117			
l	5.16	5,678	436	86.992	489.97	123.95	1.12	93,548	0.0936	147			
	5.33	5,871	451	89.906	506.36	123.95	1.12	93,548	0.0936	163			
;	5.56	6,116	470	93.652	527.66	123.70	1.12	92,903	0.0933	815			
	5.84	6,420	494	98.231	552.24	123.70	1.12	92,903	0.0928	215			
	6.35	6,968	536	106.139	598.13	123.44	1.12	92,258	0.0923	277			

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Approximate Pile Dimensions and Design Properties

Designation and	Wall	Area	Weight	Sect	ion Properties	5	Area of	Inside Cross	Inside	External
Outside Diameter	Thickness	А	per Meter	l	S	r	Exterior Surface	Sectional Area	Volume	Collapse Index
mm	mm	mm²	N	mm⁴ x 10 <sup>6</sup>	mm <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>3</sup>	mm	m²/m	mm²	m³/m	*
PP356	7.14	7,807	601	118.626	666.95	123.19	1.12	91,613	0.0916	395
(cont a)	7.92	8,646	666	130.697	735.78	122.94	1.12	90,968	0.0906	542
	8.74	9,549	732	143.184	806.24	122.68	1.12	89,677	0.0898	691
	9.53	10,389	796	155.254	873.43	122.43	1.12	89,032	0.0890	835
	11.13	12,065	926	178.563	1,006.17	121.92	1.12	87,097	0.0873	1,130
	11.91	12,839	989	190.218	1,070.08	121.67	1.12	86,451	0.0865	1,280
	12.70	13,678	1,052	201.456	1,132.35	121.41	1.12	85,806	0.0855	1,460
PP406	3.40	4,310	331	87.409	430.98	142.49	1.28	125,161	1.2542	28
	3.58	4,529	348	91.987	452.28	142.49	1.28	125,161	0.1252	33
	3.81	4,820	371	97.814	480.14	142.24	1.28	125,161	0.1249	39
	3.96	5,007	385	101.560	499.81	142.24	1.28	124,516	0.1247	44
	4.17	5,265	405	106.555	524.39	142.24	1.28	124,516	0.1244	52
	4.37	5,516	424	111.550	548.97	142.24	1.28	124,516	0.1242	60
	4.55	5,742	441	115.712	570.27	141.99	1.28	123,871	0.1239	67
	4.78	6,026	463	121.540	598.13	141.99	1.28	123,871	0.1237	78
	5.16	6,517	500	130.697	644.01	141.99	1.28	123,226	0.1232	98
	5.56	7,033	539	140.686	693.17	141.73	1.28	122,580	0.1227	124
	5.84	7,355	565	147.346	725.95	141.73	1.28	122,580	0.1224	144
	6.35	8,000	614	159.833	786.58	141.48	1.28	121,935	0.1217	185
	7.14	8,968	688	178.563	878.35	141.22	1.28	120,645	0.1207	264
	7.92	9,936	763	196.877	970.11	140.97	1.28	120,000	0.1199	362
	8.74	10,905	839	216.024	1,061.88	140.72	1.28	118,709	0.1189	487
	9.53	11,873	913	233.922	1,152.01	140.46	1.28	118,064	0.1179	617
	11.13	13,807	1,062	270.134	1,328.99	139.70	1.28	116,129	0.1159	874
	11.91	14,775	1,135	287.616	1,414.20	139.45	1.28	114,838	0.1149	1,000
	12.70	15,679	1,208	304.681	1,499.42	139.19	1.28	114,193	0.1141	1,130

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#### Approximate Pile Dimensions and Design Properties

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Designation and	Wall	Area	Weight	Sect	ion Properties	s 	Area of	Inside Cross Sectional	Inside	External Collapse
Diameter	mickness		Meter	I	S	r	Surface	Area	Volume	Index
mm	mm	mm²	N	mm⁴ x 10⁵	mm <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>3</sup>	mm	m²/m	mm²	m³/m	*
PP457	3.58	5,104	392	131.113	573.55	160.27	1.44	159,355	0.1590	23
	4.37	6,213	478	159.417	696.45	160.02	1.44	158,064	0.1580	42
	4.78	6,775	522	173.569	760.36	160.02	1.44	157,419	0.1573	55
	5.16	7,291	563	186.888	817.71	159.77	1.44	156,774	0.1568	69
	5,56	7,871	607	201.456	879.99	159.77	1.44	156,129	0.1563	87
	5.84	8,259	637	211.029	922.59	159.51	1.44	156,129	0.1558	101
	6.35	8,968	692	228.511	999.61	159.51	1.44	155,484	0.1553	129
	7.14	10,065	776	255.566	1,117.60	159.26	1.44	154,193	0.1540	184
	7.92	11,163	860	282.205	1,235.58	158.75	1.44	152,903	0.1530	253
	8.74	12,323	947	309.676	1,353.57	158.50	1.44	151,613	0.1518	341
	9.53	13,420	1,030	335.899	1,468.28	158.24	1.44	150,967	0.1508	443
	10.31	14,452	1,113	361.705	1,581.35	157.99	1.44	149,677	0.1498	559
	11.13	15,615	1,199	387.928	1,704.25	157.73	1.44	148,387	0.1485	675
	11.91	16,646	1,281	413.318	1,802.58	157.48	1.44	147,742	0.1475	788
	12.70	17,743	1,364	437.043	1,917.29	157.23	1.44	146,451	0.1465	900
PP508	3.58	5,678	436	180.644	711.20	178.31	1.60	196,774	0.1969	17
	4.37	6,904	531	219.354	863.60	178.05	1.60	195,483	0.1957	30
	4.78	7,549	581	238.917	940.62	177.80	1.60	194,838	0.1952	40
	5.16	8,130	626	257.647	1,014.36	177.80	1.60	194,838	0.1947	50
	5.56	8,775	675	277.210	1,091.38	177.55	1.60	194,193	0.1939	63
	6.35	10,002	769	314.671	1,238.86	177.29	1.60	192,903	0.1926	94
	7.14	11,226	864	352.132	1,386.35	177.04	1.60	191,613	0.1914	134
	7.92	12,452	957	389.176	1,532.19	176.78	1.60	190,322	0.1901	184
	8.74	13,678	1,054	428.718	1,687.87	176.53	1.60	189,032	0.1889	247

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Designation and	Wall	Wall Area		Section Properties			Area of	Inside Cross	Inside	External Collapse
Outside Diameter	Thickness	A	per Meter	I	S	r	Exterior Surface	Sectional Area	Volume	Collapse Index
mm	mm	mm²	N	mm⁴ x 10 <sup>6</sup>	mm <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>3</sup>	mm	m²/m	mm²	m³/m	*
PP508	9.53	14,904	1,147	462.017	1,818.96	176.28	1.60	187,742	0.1879	321
(cont a)	10.31	16,130	1,240	499.478	1,966.45	176.02	1.60	186,451	0.1866	409
	11.13	17,357	1,335	536.939	2,113.93	175.77	1.60	185,161	0.1854	515
	11.91	18,583	1,428	570.237	2,245.03	175.51	1.60	183,871	0.1841	618
	12.70	19,743	1,520	607.698	2,392.51	175.26	1.60	183,225	0.1829	719
PP559	4.37	7,613	585	292.611	1,047.13	196.09	1.76	237,419	0.2375	23
	4.78	8,323	639	318.833	1,142.18	195,83	1.76	236,774	0.2370	30
:	5.56	9,678	743	370.030	1,324.07	195.58	1.76	235,483	0.2355	47
	6.35	11,034	847	420.394	1,504.33	195.33	1.76	234,193	0.2343	70
	7.14	12,389	951	470.342	1,687.87	195.07	1.76	232,903	0.2328	100
	7.92	13,744	1,055	520.289	1,868,13	194.82	1.76	231,612	0.2315	138
	8.74	15,099	1,161	570.237	2,048.38	194.56	1.76	230,322	0.2303	185
	9.53	16,454	1,264	620.185	2,212.25	194.31	1.76	229,032	0.2288	241
	10.31	17,743	1,366	670.133	2,392.51	194.06	1.76	227,741	0.2275	306
	11.13	19,162	1,472	715.918	2,572.77	193.55	1.76	225,806	0.2260	386
	11.91	20,454	1,574	765.866	2,736.64	193.29	1.76	224,516	0.2248	475
	12.70	21,809	1,675	811.651	2,900.51	193.04	1.76	223,225	0.2235	571
PP610	4.37	8,323	639	380.436	1,248.69	213.87	1.91	283,870	0.2834	18
	4.78	9,097	698	414.983	1,361.77	213.87	1.91	282,580	0.2834	23
	5.56	10,582	812	482.828	1,579.71	213.61	1.91	281,290	0.2809	36
	6.35	12,065	925	549.425	1,802.58	213.36	1.91	279,999	0.2809	54
	7.14	13,486	1,039	611.860	2,015.61	213.11	1.91	278,064	0.2784	77
,	7.92	14,970	1,152	678.457	2,228.64	212.85	1.91	276,774	0.2759	106
	8.74	16,517	1,268	745.054	2,441.67	212.34	1.91	275,483	0.2759	142
	9.53	17,937	1,381	807.489	2,654.70	212.09	1.91	274,193	0.2734	185

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		)	PIPE PILES Approximate Pile Dimensions and Design Properties										
Designation and	Wall	Area	Weight	Sect	ion Properties		Area of	Inside Cross	Inside	External			
Diameter	Thickness	A	Meter		S	r	Surface	Area	VOIGINE	Index			
mm	mm	mm²	N	rnm⁴ x 10⁵	mm <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>3</sup>	mm	m²/m	mm²	m³/m	*			
PP610	10.31	19,421	1,493	869.924	2,867.74	211.84	1.91	272,258	0.2734	235			
(cont d)	11.13	20,904	1,608	936.521	3,080.77	211.58	1.91	270,967	0.2709	296			
	11.91	22,388	1,720	998.955	3,277.41	211.33	1.91	269,677	0.2684	364			
	12.70	23,809	1,831	1,061.390	3,474.06	211.07	1.91	267,741	0.2684	443			
PP660	6.35	13,033	1,003	699.269	2,113.93	231.14	2.08	329,677	0.3286	43			
	7.14	14,646	1,126	782.515	2,359.74	230.89	2.08	327,741	0.3286	61			
ŀ	7.92	16,259	1,249	865.761	2,621.93	230.63	2.08	326,451	0.3261	83			
	8.74	17,872	1,376	949.008	2,884.12	230.38	2.08	324,515	0.3236	112			
	9.53	19,485	1,498	1,032.254	3,129.93	230.12	2.08	323,225	0.3236	145			
	10.31	21,034	1,620	1,111.338	3,375.74	229.87	2.08	321,290	0.3211	184			
	11.13	22,711	1,745	1,194.584	3,621.54	229.62	2.08	319,999	0.3211	232			
	11.91	24,260	1,866	1,277.830	3,867.35	229.36	2.08	318,064	0.3186	286			
	12.70	25,873	1,987	1,356.914	4,113.15	229.11	2.08	316,774	0.3161	347			
	14.27	28,969	2,228	1,510.920	4,588.38	228.60	2.08	313,548	0.3135	495			
	15.88	32,132	2,472	1,669.088	5,063.60	227.84	2.08	310,322	0.3110	656			
	17.48	35,292	2,714	1,823.094	5,522.44	227.33	2.08	307,096	0.3060	814			
	19.05	38,389	2,951	1,977.099	5,981.28	226.82	2.08	303,870	0.3035	970			
PP711	6.35	14,065	1,081	874.086	2,458.06	249.17	2.23	383,225	0.3838	34			
	7.14	15,807	1,214	978.144	2,753.03	248.92	2.23	381,290	0.3813	48			
	7.92	17,486	1,346	1,082.202	3,047.99	248.67	2.23	379,999	0.3788	66			
	8.74	19,291	1,483	1,190.422	3,342.96	248.41	2.23	378,064	0.3788	89			
	9.53	20,969	1,615	1,294.480	3,637.93	248.16	2.23	376,128	0.3763	116			
	10.31	22,711	1,746	1,394.375	3,916.51	247.90	2.23	374,838	0.3737	' 147			
	11.13	24,453	1,881	1,498.433	4,211.48	247.65	2.23	372,902	0.3737	185			
	11.91	26,195	2,012	1,598.329	4,506.44	247.40	2.23	370,967	0.3712	228			

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Designation and	Wall	Area	Weight	Section Properties			Area of	Inside Cross	Inside	External
Outside Diameter	Thickness	A	per Meter	I	S	r	Exterior Surface	Sectional Area	Volume	Collapse Index
mm	mm	mm²	N	mm⁴ x 10⁵	mm <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>3</sup>	mm	m²/m	mm²	m³/m	*
PP711	12.70	27,874	2,143	1,698.224	4,785.02	246.89	2.23	369,677	0.3687	277
(cont a)	14.27	31,229	2,403	1,898.015	5,342.18	246.38	2.23	365,806	0.3587	395
	15.88	34,713	2,667	2,097.806	5,899.34	245.87	2.23	362,580	0.3612	544
	17.48	38,068	2,929	2,293.435	6,440.12	245.36	2.23	359,354	0.3587	691
	19.05	41,423	3,185	2,480.739	6,980.89	244.86	2.23	356,128	0.3562	835
PP762	6.35	15,099	1,159	1,078.039	2,818.58	266.70	2.39	440,644	0.4415	28
	7.14	16,904	1,302	1,207.071	3,162.70	266.70	2.39	439,354	0.4390	39
	7.92	18,775	1,444	1,336.103	3,506.83	266.70	2.39	437,418	0.4365	54
	8.74	20,646	1,590	1,465.135	3,850.96	266.70	2.39	435,483	0.4365	72
	9.53	22,517	1,731	1,594.166	4,178.70	266.70	2.39	433,548	0.4340	94
	10.31	24,324	1,873	1,719.036	4,522.83	266.70	2.39	431,612	0.4314	120
	11.13	26,261	2,018	1,848.068	4,850.57	266.70	2.39	429,677	0.4289	150
	11.91	28,066	2,159	1,972.937	5,178.31	264.16	2.39	427,741	0.4289	185
	12.70	29,874	2,299	2,097.806	5,506.05	264.16	2.39	426,451	0.4264	225
	14.27	33,550	2,578	2,343.383	6,145.15	264.16	2.39	422,580	0.4214	321
	15.88	37,228	2,861	2,588.959	6,800.63	264.16	2.39	418,709	0.4189	443
	17.48	40,907	3,143	2,834.536	7,439.73	264.16	2.39	415,483	0.4164	584
	19.05	44,454	3,419	3,071.788	8,062.44	261.62	2.39	411,612	0.4114	719
PP813	6.35	16,065	1,237	1,306.967	3,211.86	284.48	2.55	502,580	0.5017	23
	7.14	18,067	1,389	1,465.135	3,605.15	284.488	2.55	500,644	0.5017	32
	7.92	20,067	1,541	1,623.303	3,998.44	284.48	2.55	498,709	0.4992	44
	8.74	22,067	1,697	1,785.633	4,391.73	284.48	2.55	496,773	0.4967	60
	9.53	24,067	1,848	1,939.638	4,768.64	284.48	2.55	494,838	0.4942	77
	10.31	26,002	1,999	2,093.644	5,145.54	284.48	2.55	492,902	0.4916	98
	11.13	28,003	2,155	2,251.812	5,538.83	284.48	2.55	490,967	0.4916	124
	11.91	30,003	2,305	2,401.655	5,915.73	281.94	2.55	489,031	0.4891	152

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#### Approximate Pile Dimensions and Design Properties

Designation and	Wall	Area	Weight	Sect	ion Properties	3	Area of	Inside Cross	Inside	External
Diameter	INICKNESS	A	per Meter	1	S	r	Surface	Area	volume	Index
mm	mm	mm²	N	mm⁴ x 10⁵	mm³ x 10³	mm	m²/m	mm²	m³/m	*
PP813	12.70	31,937	2,455	2,555.661	6,292.63	281.94	2.55	487,096	0.4866	185
(cont a)	14.27	35,810	2,754	2,855.348	7,030.05	281.94	2.55	483,225	0.4841	264
	15.88	39,744	3,056	3,155.034	7,767.47	281.94	2.55	479,354	0,4791	364
	17.48	43,680	3,358	3,454.721	8,504.89	281.94	2.55	475,483	0.4741	487
	19.05	47,488	3,653	3,741.921	9,209.53	281.94	2.55	471,612	0.4716	617
PP864	6.35	17,099	1,315	1,569.192	3,637.93	302.26	2.71	568,386	0.5694	19
	7.14	19,228	1,477	1,760.659	4,080.38	302.26	2.71	566,450	0.5669	27
	7.92	21,293	1,638	1,947.963	4,522.83	302.26	2.71	564,515	0.5644	37
	8.74	23,485	1,804	2,143.592	4,965.28	302.26	2.71	562,580	0.5619	50
	9.53	25,551	1,965	2,330.896	5,391.34	302.26	2.71	559,999	0.5594	64
	10.31	27,615	2,126	2,518.200	5,833.79	302.26	2.71	558,063	0.5569	82
	11.13	29,808	2,291	2,705.504	6,276.25	302.26	2.71	556,128	0.5569	103
	11.91	31,873	2,451	2,888.646	6,702.31	302.26	2.71	554,192	0.5544	127
	12.70	33,938	2,611	3,071.788	7,111.99	299.72	2.71	551,612	0.5518	154
]	14.27	38,068	2,929	3,433.909	7,964.11	299.72	2.71	547,741	0.5468	219
	15.88	42,262	3,251	3,800.193	8,799.85	299.72	2.71	543,225	0.5443	303
	17.48	46,454	3,572	4,158.152	9,635.59	299.72	2.71	539,354	0.5393	405
	19.05	50,519	3,887	4,495.299	10,438.56	299.72	2.71	535,483	0.5343	527
	22.23	58,779	4,517	5,202.893	12,044.49	297.18	2.71	527,096	0.5268	767
	25.40	67,102	5,143	5,868.863	13,617.65	297.18	2.71	518,709	0.5192	1,010
PP914	6.35	18,130	1,393	1,868.879	4,080.38	320.04	2.87	638,708	0.6396	16
	7.14	20,325	1,564	2,093.644	4,571.99	320.04	2.87	636,128	0.6371	23
	7.92	22,582	1,735	2,318.409	5,063.60	320.04	2.87	634,192	0.6346	31
	8.74	24,840	1,912	2,547.336	5,571.60	320.04	2.87	631,612	0.6321	42

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Approximate Pile Dimensions and Design Properties

Designation and	Wall	Area	Weight	Sect	ion Properties	5	Area of	Inside Cross	Inside	External
Outside Diameter	Thickness	A	per Meter	Ι	S	r	Exterior Surface	Sectional Area	Volume	Collapse Index
mm	mm	mm²	N	mm⁴ x 10 <sup>6</sup>	mm <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>3</sup>	mm	m²/m	mm²	m³/m	*
PP914	9.53	27,098	2,082	2,772.101	6,063.21	320.04	2.87	629,676	0.6296	54
(cont'd)	10.31	29,292	2,252	2,992.704	6,538.44	320.04	2.87	627,096	0.6271	69
	11.13	31,550	2,428	3,221.631	7,046.44	320.04	2.87	625,160	0.6246	87
	11.91	33,808	2,597	3,438.072	7,521.66	320.04	2.87	623,225	0.6221	107
	12.70	36,002	2,766	3,658.674	7,996.89	320.04	2.87	620,644	0.6221	129
	14.27	40,390	3,104	4,087.393	8,947.34	317.50	2.87	616,128	0.6171	184
	15.88	44,841	3,446	4,536.923	9,897.79	317.50	2.87	611,612	0.6120	254
	17.48	49,230	3,786	4,953.154	10,831.85	317.50	2.87	607,741	0.6070	341
	19.05	53,616	4,120	5,369.385	11,749.52	317.50	2.87	603,225	0.6020	443
	22.23	62,326	4,790	6,201.848	13,568.49	314.96	2.87	594,192	0.5945	674
	25.40	70,972	5,455	7,034.311	15,338.29	314.96	2.87	585,805	0.5870	900
	31.75	87,747	6,770	8,574.367	18,845.12	312.42	2.87	568,386	0.5694	1,380
PP965	6.35	19,099	1,471	2,197.702	4,555.60	337.82	3.03	709,676	0.7124	14
	7.14	21,485	1,652	2,464.090	5,112.76	337.82	3.03	709,676	0.7099	19
	7.92	23,809	1,833	2,730.478	5,653.54	337.82	3.03	709,676	0.7074	26
	8.74	26,261	2,019	3,001.029	6,227.08	337.82	3.03	703,224	0.7049	35
	9.53	28,582	2,199	3,263.254	6,767.86	337.82	3.03	703,224	0.7023	46
	10.31	30,971	2,379	3,525.480	7,308.63	337.82	3.03	703,224	0.6998	59
	11.13	33,358	2,564	3,796.031	7,865.79	337.82	3.03	696,773	0.6973	74
	11.91	35,680	2,743	4,054.094	8,406.56	337.82	3.03	696,773	0.6973	90
	12.70	38,002	2,922	4,328.807	8,930.95	337.82	3.03	696,773	0.6923	110
	14.27	42,649	3,279	4,828.285	9,996.11	335.28	3.03	690,321	0.6898	156
	15.88	47,359	3,641	5,327.762	11,061.27	335.28	3.03	683,870	0.6848	216
	17.48	52,003	4,001	5,827.240	12,110.04	335.28	3.03	677,418	0.6798	289

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#### Approximate Pile Dimensions and Design Properties

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Designation and	Wall	Area	Weight	Sect	ion Properties		Area of	Inside Cross	Inside	External
Outside Diameter	Thickness	А	per Meter	I	S	r	Surface	Area	voiume	Index
mm	mm	mm²	N	mm⁴ x 10⁵	mm³ x 10³	mm	m²/m	mm²	m³/m	*
PP965	19.05	56,649	4,354	6,326.718	13,142.43	335.28	3.03	677,418	0.6748	376
(cont'd)	22.23	65,810	5,063	7,325.673	15,174.42	332.74	3.03	664,515	0.6647	590
	25.40	74,843	5,767	8,283.005	17,206.42	332.74	3.03	658,063	0.6572	805
	31.75	92,909	7,160	10,156.047	20,975.44	330.20	3.03	638,708	0.6396	1,230
·	38.10	110,974	8,533	11,945.842	24,744.47	327.66	3.03	620,644	0.6221	1,780
PP1016	7.92	25,098	1,930	3,188.333	6,276.25	355.60	3.20	787,095	0.7851	23
	8.74	27,679	2,126	3,508.831	6,898.95	355.60	3.20	780,644	0.7826	30
	9.53	30,131	2,316	3,812.680	7,505.28	355.60	3.20	780,644	0.7801	39
	10.31	32,583	2,505	4,120.691	8,111.60	355.60	3.20	780,644	0.7776	50
	11.13	35,099	2,701	4,453.676	8,734.31	355.60	3.20	774,192	0.7751	63
	11.91	37,551	2,890	4,745.038	9,324.24	355.60	3.20	774,192	0.7726	77
	12.70	40,002	3,078	5,036.400	9,914.17	355.60	3.20	767,740	0.7701	94
	14.27	44,906	3,454	5,619.124	11,094.04	353.06	3.20	767,740	0.7651	134
	15.88	49,874	3,836	6,243.471	12,273.91	353.06	3.20	761,289	0.7600	185
	17.48	54,842	4,215	6,826.195	13,453.78	353.06	3.20	754,837	0,7550	247
	19.05	59,681	4,588	7,408.919	14,600.87	353.06	3.20	748,386	0,7500	321
	22.23	69,682	5,336	8,574.367	16,878.68	350.52	3.20	741,934	0.7425	514
	25.40	79,360	6,078	9,698.192	19,172.86	350.52	3.20	729,031	0.7324	719
	31.75	98,070	7,549	11,904.219	23,433.50	347.98	3.20	709,676	0.7124	1,130
	38.10	116,781	9,001	14,026.999	27,530.27	345.44	3.20	696,773	0.6923	1,620
	44.45	135,492	10,433	16,024.910	31,627.03	342.90	3.20	677,418	0.6748	2,140
PP1067	7.92	26,389	2,027	3,696.135	6,931.73	373.38	3.35	864,514	0.8679	20
	8.74	29,034	2,233	4,066.581	7,619.98	373.38	3.35	864,514	0.8654	26
i	9.53	31,615	2,433	4,412.053	8,291.85	373.38	3.35	864,514	0.8629	34
	10.31	34,260	2,632	4,786.661	8,947.34	373.38	3.35	864,514	0.8604	43

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Approximate Pile Dimensions and Design Properties

Designation and	Wall	Area	Weight	Sect	ion Properties	;	Area of	Inside Cross	Inside	External
Outside Diameter	Thickness	A	per Meter	l	S	r	Exterior Surface	Sectional Area	Volume	Collapse Index
mm	mm	mm²	N	mm <sup>4</sup> x 10 <sup>6</sup>	mm <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>3</sup>	mm	m²/m	mm²	m³/m	*
PP1067	11.13	36,905	2,837	5,161.270	9,635.59	373.38	3.35	858,063	0.8579	54
(cont a)	11.91	39,486	3,036	5,494.255	10,291.08	373.38	3.35	851,611	0.8554	67
	12.70	42,067	3,234	5,827.240	10,946.56	373.38	3.35	851,611	0.8528	81
	14.27	47,229	3,630	6,534.833	12,257.52	373.38	3.35	845,160	0.8478	116
	15.88	52,390	4,030	7,242.427	13,568.49	370.84	3.35	838,708	0.8403	159
	17.48	57,616	4,430	7,950.020	14,863.07	370.84	3.35	838,708	0.8353	213
	19.05	62,713	4,822	8,615.991	16,141.26	370.84	3.35	832,256	0.8303	277
	22.23	72,908	5,608	9,947.931	18,681.25	368.30	3.35	819,353	0.8202	443
	25.40	83,231	6,390	11,279.872	21,139.31	368.30	3.35	812,902	0.8102	641
	31.75	103,232	7,939	13,818.883	25,891.56	365.76	3.35	793,547	0.7901	1,030
	38.10	123,233	9,468	16,316.272	30,643.81	363.22	3.35	767,740	0.7701	1,460
	44.45	142,589	10,978	18,688.791	35,068.32	360.68	3.35	748,386	0.7500	1,970
	50.80	161,945	12,468	20,978.064	39,328.95	360.68	3.35	729,031	• 0.7324	2,470
PP1118	8.74	30,453	2,341	4,661.792	8,373.79	391.16	3.51	948,385	0.9507	23
	9.53	33,163	2,550	5,078.023	9,111.21	391.16	3.51	948,385	0.9482	30
	10.31	35,873	2,759	5,494.255	9,832.24	391.16	3.51	941,934	0.9457	38
	11.13	38,647	2,974	5,910.486	10,586.04	391.16	3.51	941,934	0.9432	47
	11.91	41,357	3,182	6,326.718	11,323.46	391.16	3.51	941,934	0.9406	58
	12.70	44,067	3,390	6,742.949	12,044.49	391.16	3.51	935,482	0.9381	70
	15.88	54,971	4,225	8,324.629	14,928.62	388.62	3.51	929,030	0.9256	138
	19.05	65,810	5,056	9,906.308	17,698.03	388.62	3.51	916,127	0.9156	241
	22.23	76,779	5,881	11,487.987	20,483.83	388.62	3.51	903,224	0.9055	384
	25.40	87,102	6,702	12,986.420	23,269.63	386.08	3.51	896,772	0.8930	571

Pile design data converted to SI units from US units published in 1985 version of this manual.

Note: Designer must confirm section properties and local availability of selected pile section.

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Example of suggested method of designation: PP219 x 2.77



#### Approximate Pile Dimensions and Design Properties

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Designation and	Wall	Area	Weight	Sect	tion Properties	3	Area of	Inside Cross	Inside	External
Diameter	Thickness	^	Meter	1	S	r	Surface	Area	Volume	Index
mm	mm	mm²	N	mm⁴ x 10 <sup>6</sup>	mm³ x 10³	mm	m²/m	mm²	m³/m	*
PP1118	31.75	108,394	8,328	15,983.287	28,513.49	383.54	3.51	870,966	0.8729	941
(Cont a)	38.10	129,040	9,936	18,855.284	33,757.35	381.00	3.51	851,611	0.8528	1,300
	44.45	149,686	11,524	21,602.411	38,673.47	381.00	3.51	832,256	0.8303	1,810
	50.80	170,333	13,092	24,266.292	43,425.72	378.46	3.51	812,902	0.8102	2,290
	57.15	190,334	14,641	26,846.927	48,014.10	375.92	3.51	793,547	0.7901	2,770
PP1219	8.74	33,228	2,555	6,076.979	9,979.72	426.72	3.84	1,135,482	. 1.1338	18
	9.53	36,196	2,784	6,618.080	10,864.62	426.72	3.84	1,129,030	1.1313	23
	10.31	39,164	3,012	7,159.181	11,733.14	426.72	3.84	1,129,030	1.1288	29
	11.13	42,196	3,247	7,700.281	12,634.43	426.72	3.84	1,122,578	1.1263	36
	11.91	45,164	3,474	8,241.382	13,502.94	426.72	3.84	1,122,578	1.1212	45
	12.70	48,132	3,702	8,740.860	14,371.46	426.72	3.84	1,116,127	1.1187	54
1	15.88	60,004	4,615	10,863.640	17,861.90	426.72	3.84	1,109,675	1.1087	106
<u>,</u>	19.05	71,617	5,523	12,944.797	21,139.31	424.18	3.84	1,096,772	1.0962	185
	22.23	83,876	6,427	14,984.331	24,580.60	424.18	3.84	1,083,869	1.0836	295
	25.40	95,490	7,325	16,982.242	27,858.01	421.64	3.84	1,070,966	1.0711	443
l.	31.75	118,717	9,108	20,894.818	34,248.96	419.10	3.84	1,051,611	1.0485	787
	38.10	141,299	10,871	24,682.524	40,476.05	416.56	3.84	1,025,804	1.0259	1,130
	44.45	163,881	12,614	28,345.360	46,539.26	416.56	3.84	1,006,450	1.0034	1,530
	50,80	186,463	14,339	31,883.327	52,274.73	414.02	3.84	980,643	0.9808	1,970
ĺ	57.15	208,400	16,043	35,296.425	57,846.34	411.48	3.84	961,288	0.9582	2,410
í	63.50	230,336	17,729	38,626.276	63,254.07	408.94	3.84	935,482	0.9381	2,850

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	SIZE		Weight (i	N) per m		EST. CONC.
TYPE	POINT DIAMETER X BUTT DIAMETER X LENGTH	9 GA.	7 GA.	5 GA.	3 GA.	VOL. m <sup>3</sup>
F	216 mm x 305 mm x 7.62 m	248	292	350	409	0.329
3.6 mm per Meter	203 mm x 305 mm x 9.14 m	233	292	336	394	0.420
	216 mm x 356 mm x 12.19 m	277	321	379	452	0.726
	203 mm x 406 mm x 18.29 m	292	350	409	482	1.284
	203 mm x 457 mm x 22.86 m		379	452	511	1.979
J Tapor	203 mm x 305 mm x 5.18 m	248	292	336	394	0.244
6.4 mm per Meter	203 mm x 356 mm x 7.62 m	263	321	379	438	0.443
	203 mm x 406 mm x 10.06 m	292	350	409	467	0.726
	203 mm x 457 mm x 12.19 m	-	379	438	511	1.047
Y Taper	203 mm x 305 mm x 3.05 m	248	292	350	409	0.138
10.2 mm per Meter	203 mm x 356 mm x 4.57 m	277	321	379	438	0.260
	203 mm x 406 mm x 6.10 m	292	350	409	482	0.428
	203 mm x 457 mm x 7.62 m		379	452	511	0.657

## MONOTUBE PILES Standard Monotube Weights and Volumes

## Extensions (Overall Length 0.305 m Greater than indicated)

TYPE	DIAMETER + LENGTH	9 GA.	7 GA.	5 GA.	3 GA.	m³ /m
N 12	305 mm x 305 mm x 6.10 / 12.19 m	292	350	409	482	0.065
N 14	356 mm x 356 mm x 6.10 m / 12.19 m	350	423	496	598	0.088
N 16	406 mm x 406 mm x 6.10 m / 12.19 m	409	482	569	671	0.113
N 18	457 mm x 457 mm x 6.10 m / 12.19 m	-	555	642	759	0.145



#### Note: Designer must confirm section properties of selected pile section.

Pile design data converted to SI units from US units published in Monotube Pile Corporation Catalog 592.

## MONOTUBE PILES Physical Properties

	POI	NTS	BUTTS OF PILE SECTIONS								
	203 mm	216 mm		305	mm ,		356 mm				
STEEL THICKNESS	A mm²	A mm²	A mm²	l mm⁴ x 10⁵	S mm <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>3</sup>	r mm	A mm²	l mm⁴ x 10 <sup>6</sup>	S mm <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>3</sup>	r mm	
9 GAUGE 3.797 mm	2,342	2,535	3,748	42.456	267.109	106	4,355	66.181	360.515	123	
7 GAUGE 4.554 mm	2,839	3,077	4,497	50.780	319.548	106	5,252	80.749	437.535	124	
5 GAUGE 5.314 mm	3,348	3,619	5,277	60.354	376.902	107	6,129	94.485	507.999	124	
3 GAUGE 6.073 mm	3,787	4,245	5,781	61.602	396.567	103	6,839	99.479	550.605	121	
CONCRETE AREA mm <sup>2</sup>	27,290	30,518		65	,161	87,742					

	POI	NTS			BUT	TS OF PIL						
	203 mm	216 mm		406	mm		457 mm					
STEEL THICKNESS	A mm²	A mm²	A mm²	 mm⁴ x 10⁵	S mm <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>3</sup>	r mm	A mm²	/ mm⁴ x 10⁵	S mm³ x 10³	r mm		
9 GAUGE 3.797 mm	2,342	2,535	4,929	96.566	463.754	140	-	-	-	-		
7 GAUGE 4.554 mm	2,839	3,077	5,923	115.712	555.521	140	6,710	168.157	712.837	158		
5 GAUGE 5.314 mm	3,348	3,619	6,968	136.940	555.521	140	7,871	198.959	839.018	159		
3 GAUGE 6.073 mm	3,787	4,245	7,742	144.849	706.282	137	8,774	209.781	907.843	155		
CONCRETE AREA mm <sup>2</sup>	27,290	30,518		113,548 144,516								

#### Note: Designer must confirm section properties of selected pile section.

Pile design data converted to SI units from US units published in Monotube Pile Corporation Catalog 592.



# Note: Designer must confirm section properties for a selected pile. Form dimensions may vary with producers, with corresponding variations in section properties.

Data converted to SI units from US unit properties in PCI (1993), Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute Journal, Volume 38, No. 2, March-April, 1993.



Note: Designer must confirm section properties for a selected pile. Form dimensions may vary with producers, with corresponding variations in section properties.

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# **H-PILES**



				FI	ange		Distance				Elastic Properies					
Section	Area	Depth	Web	Width	Thickness					Fillet		X-X			Y-Y	
Designation	Alea	d	t <sub>w</sub>	b <sub>f</sub>	t <sub>r</sub>	Т	k	k,	а	R	1	S	r	I	S	r
mm x kg/m	mm²	mm	mm	mm	mm	mm	mm	mm	mm	mm	mm⁴ x 10 <sup>6</sup>	mm <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>3</sup>	mm	mm⁴ x 10 <sup>6</sup>	mm <sup>3</sup> x 10 <sup>3</sup>	mm
HP360 x 174 HP360 x 152 HP360 x 132 HP360 x 108	22,200 19,400 16,900 13,800	361 356 351 346	20.4 17.9 15.6 12.8	378 376 373 370	20 18 16 13	277 277 277 277 277	42 40 37 34	30.2 29.0 27.8 26.4	179 179 179 179	20 20 20 20	511 442 378 306	2,830 2,480 2,150 1,770	152 151 150 148	183 158 135 108	968 840 724 584	91 90 89 88
HP310 x 125 HP310 x 110 HP310 x 93 HP310 x 79	15,800 14,000 11,800 9,970	312 308 303 299	17.4 15.4 13.1 11.0	312 310 308 306	17 15 13 11	244 244 244 244	34 32 30 28	23.7 22.7 21.6 20.5	147 147 148 148	15 15 15 15	270 236 196 162	1,730 1,530 1,290 1,080	131 130 129 127	88 77 64 53	565 497 414 343	75 74 74 73
HP250 x 85 HP250 x 62	10,800 7,980	254 246	14.4 10.5	260 256	14 11	196 96	29 25	20.2 18.3	123 123	13 13	123 88	969 711	107 105	42 30	325 234	63 61
HP200 x 53	6,810	204	11.3	207	11	158	23	15.7	98	10	50	487	86	17	161	50

Note: Designer must confirm section properties for a selected pile.

Data obtained from FHWA Geotechnical Metrication Guidelines (1995) FHWA-SA-95-035.

## BITUMEN COATING FOR CONCRETE PILES

# (This is a generic specification that should be modified to meet the specific needs of a given project.)

<u>Description</u>. This work shall consist of furnishing and applying bituminous coating and primer to prestressed concrete pile surfaces as required in the plans and as specified herein.

### <u>Materials</u>

- A. Bituminous Coating. Bituminous coating shall be an asphalt type bitumen conforming to ASTM D946, with a minimum penetration grade 50 at the time of pile driving. Bituminous coating shall be applied uniformly over an asphalt primer. Grade 40-50 or lower grades shall not be used.
- B. Primer. Primer shall conform to the requirements of ASTM D41.

<u>Construction Requirements</u>. All surfaces to be coated with bitumen shall be dry and thoroughly cleaned of dust and loose materials. No primer or bitumen shall be applied in wet weather, nor when the temperature is below 18 degrees Celsius.

The primer shall be applied to the surfaces and allowed to completely dry before the bituminous coating is applied. Primer shall be applied uniformly at the quantity of one liter per 2.43 square meters.

Bitumen shall be applied uniformly at a temperature of not less than 149 degrees Celsius, nor more than 177 degrees Celsius, and shall be applied either by mopping, brushing, or spraying at the project site. All holes or depressions in the concrete surface shall be completely filled with bitumen. The bituminous coating shall be applied to a minimum dry thickness of 3.2 mm, but in no case shall the quantity of application be less than 3.29 liters per square meters.

Bitumen coated piles shall be stored before driving and protected from sunlight and heat. Pile coatings shall not be exposed to damage during storage, hauling or handling. The Contractor shall take appropriate measures to preserve and maintain the bitumen coating. At the time of pile driving, the bitumen coating shall have a minimum dry thickness of 3.2 mm and a minimum penetration value of 50. If necessary, the Contractor shall recoat the piles, at his expense, to comply with these requirements.

<u>Method of Measurement</u>. Bitumen coating will be measured by the square meter of coating in place on concrete pile surfaces. No separate payment will be made for primer.

<u>Basis of Payment</u>. The accepted quantities of bitumen coating will be paid for at the contract unit price per square meter, which price shall be full compensation for furnishing all labor, materials, tools, equipment, and incidentals, and for doing all the work involved in applying the bituminous coating and primer, as shown in the plans, and as specified in these specifications, and as directed by the Engineer.

Payment will be made under:

Pay Item Bitumen Coating

Pay Unit Square Meters.

## BITUMEN COATING FOR STEEL PILES

# (This is a generic specification that should be modified to meet the specific needs of a given project.)

<u>Description</u>. This work shall consist of furnishing and applying bituminous coating and primer to steel pile surfaces as required in the plans and as specified herein.

### **Materials**

- A. Bituminous Coating. Canal Liner Bitumen (ASTM D-2521) shall be used for the bitumen coating and shall have a softening point of 88 to 93 degrees Celsius, a penetration of 56 to 61 at 25 degrees Celsius, and a ductility at 25 degrees Celsius, in excess of 35.0 mm.
- B. Primer. Primer shall conform to the requirements of AASHTO M116.

<u>Construction Requirements</u>. All surfaces to be coated with bitumen shall be dry and thoroughly cleaned of dust and loose materials. No primer or bitumen shall be applied in wet weather, nor when the temperature is below 18 degrees Celsius.

Application of the prime coat shall be with a brush or other approved means and in a manner to thoroughly coat the surface of the piling with a continuous film of primer. The purpose of the primer is to provide a suitable bond of the bitumen coating to the pile. The primer shall set thoroughly before the bitumen coating is applied.

The bitumen should be heated to 149 degrees Celsius, and applied at a temperature between 93 and 149 degrees Celsius, by one or more mop coats, or other approved means, to apply an average coating depth of 9.5 mm. Whitewashing of the coating may be required, as deemed necessary by the engineer, to prevent running and sagging of the asphalt coating prior to driving, during hot weather.

Bitumen coated piles shall be stored immediately after the coating is applied for protection from sunlight and heat. Pile coatings shall not be exposed to damage or contamination during storage, hauling, or handling. Once the bitumen coating has been applied, the contractor will not be allowed to drag the piles on the ground or to use cable wraps around the pile during handling. Pad eyes, or other suitable devices, shall be attached to the pile to be used for lifting and handling. If necessary, the contractor shall recoat the piles, at his expense to comply with these requirements.

A nominal length of pile shall be left uncoated where field splices will be required. After completing the field splice, the splice area shall be brush or map coated with at least one coat of bitumen.

<u>Method of Measurement</u>. Bitumen coating will be measured by the linear meter of coating in place on the pile surfaces. No separate payment will be made for primer or coating of the splice areas.

<u>Basis of Payment</u>. The accepted quantities of bitumen coating will be paid for at the contract unit price per linear meter, which price shall be full compensation for furnishing all labor, materials, tools, equipment, and incidentals, and for doing all the work involved in applying the bituminous coating and primer, as shown in the plans, and as specified in these specifications, and as directed by the Engineer.

Payment will be made under:

Pay Item	<u>Pay-Unit</u>
Bitumen Coating	Meter.

## APPENDIX D

## Pile Hammer Information

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**Note:** GRLWEAP hammer ID numbers correspond to those contained in Version 1.996-2 of the GRLWEAP program.

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TABLE D-1 DIESEL HAMMER LISTING (sorted by Maximum Energy)											
GRLWEAP ID	Hammer Mfgr	Hammer Name E	Max. Energy kN-m	Ram Weight kN	Eq. Max. Stroke m	Hammer Type T					
81	LINKBELT	LB 180	10.98	7.70	1.43	CED					
120	ICE	180	11.03	7.70	1.43	CED					
1	DELMAG	D 5	11.16	4.89	2.28	OED					
36	DELMAG	D 6-32	14.24	5.88	2.42	OED					
82	LINKBELT	LB 312	20.37	17.18	1.19	CED					
146	MKT	DE 10	20.75	7.57	2.74	OED					
147	MKT	DE 20	21.70	8.90	2.44	OED					
2	DELMAG	D 8-22	23.87	7.83	3.05	OED					
402	BERMINGH	B200	24.41	8.90	2.74	OED					
83	LINKBELT	LB 440	24.69	17.80	1.39	CED					
122	ICE	440	25.17	17.80	1.41	CED					
141	MKT 20	DE333020	27.13	8.90	3.05	OED					
151	MKI	DA 35B	28.48	12.46	2.29	CED					
148		DE 30	30.38	12.46	2.44	OED					
41		FEC 1200	30.51	12.24	2.49	OED					
127		30-5	30.52	13.35	2.29	OED					
401		D20 B02 5	01.10 21.10	12.40	2.50	CED					
101		123 5	31.10	12.40	2.50	CED					
2			32.00	12.00	2.62						
149	MKT	DA35B SA	32.00	12.24	2.02						
150	MKT	DF 30B	32.20	12.40	2.50						
61	MITSUB.	M 14	34 24	13 22	2.59	OED					
350	HERA	1250	34.38	12 50	2.00	OFD					
101	KOBE	K 13	34.49	12.77	2.70	OFD					
84	LINKBELT	LB 520	35.69	22.56	1.58	CED					
42	FEC	FEC 1500	36.75	14.68	2.50	OED					
201	VULCANI	VUL V12	36.77	12.26	3.00	OED					
142	MKT 30	DE333020	37.98	12.46	3.05	OED					
62	MITSUB.	MH 15	38.16	14.73	2.59	OED					
4	DELMAG	D 15	38.40	14.68	2.62	OED					
403	BERMINGH	B225	39.67	13.35	2.97	OED					
123	ICE	520	41.19	22.56	1.83	CED					
351	HERA	1500	41.25	15.00	2.75	OED					
152	MKT	DA 45	41.67	17.80	2.34	CED					
37	DELMAG	D 12-32	42.50	12.55	3.39	OED					
153	MKT	DE 40	43.40	17.80	2.44	OED					
143	MKT 33	DE333020	44.76	14.68	3.05	OED					
415	BERMINGH	B250 5	48.02	13.35	3.60	OED					
161	MKI	DA 55B	51.81	22.25	2.33	CED					
202	VULCAN	VUL V18	52.97	17.66	3.00	OED					

TABLE D-1 DIESEL HAMMER LISTING (sorted by Maximum Energy)							
GRLWEAP ID	Hammer Mfgr	Hammer Name E	Max. Energy kN-m	Ram Weight kN	Eq. Max. Stroke m	Hammer Type <sup>.</sup> T	
5 128 144 160 404 410 6 124 129 38 159 63 412	DELMAG ICE MKT 40 MKT BERMINGH BERMINGH DELMAG ICE ICE DELMAG MKT MITSUB. BERMINGH	D 16-32 40-S DE333020 DA55B SA B300 B300 M D 22 640 42-S D 19-32 DE 50B M 23 B400 4.8	53.23 54.25 54.25 54.25 54.68 54.68 55.08 55.10 56.97 57.51 57.65 58.34 58.59	15.66 17.80 17.80 22.25 16.69 16.69 21.85 26.70 18.19 17.80 22.25 22.52 21.36	3.40 3.05 3.05 2.44 3.28 3.28 2.52 2.06 3.13 3.23 2.59 2.59 2.59 2.74	OED OED OED OED OED OED OED OED OED OED	
413 103 64 416 7 8 43 163 352 9 104 125	BERMINGH KOBE MITSUB. BERMINGH DELMAG FEC MKT 50 HERA DELMAG KOBE ICE	B400 5.0 K22-Est MH 25 B350 5 D 22-02 D 22-13 FEC 2500 DE70/50B 2500 D 22-23 K 25 660	61.04 61.51 63.53 64.02 65.78 65.78 67.81 67.82 68.75 69.53 69.88 70.03	22.25 21.58 24.52 17.80 21.58 21.58 24.47 22.25 25.00 21.58 24.52 33.69	2.74 2.85 2.59 3.60 3.05 3.05 2.77 3.05 2.75 3.22 2.85 2.08	OED OED OED OED OED OED OED OED OED OED	
85 405 411 44 353 203 417 162 11 10 65 45 66 12 13	LINKBELT BERMINGH BERMINGH FEC HERA VULCAN BERMINGH MKT DELMAG DELMAG MITSUB. FEC MITSUB. DELMAG DELMAG DELMAG	LB 660 B400 B400 M FEC 2800 2800 VUL V25 B400 5 DE 70B D 30 D 25-32 M 33 FEC 3000 MH 35 D 30-02 D 30-13	70.03 72.90 75.95 77.00 78.51 80.03 80.70 80.84 83.40 83.70 85.49 89.00 89.52 89.52	33.69 22.25 22.25 27.41 28.00 24.53 22.25 31.15 29.37 24.52 32.31 29.37 34.35 29.37 29.37	2.08 3.28 3.28 2.77 2.75 3.20 3.60 2.59 2.75 3.40 2.59 2.91 2.59 2.91 2.59 3.05 3.05	CED OED OED OED OED OED OED OED OED OED O	
131	ICE	70-S	94.95	31.15	3.05	OED	

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GRLWEAP ID	Hammer Mfgr	Hammer Name E	Max. Energy kN-m	Ram Weight kN	Eq. Max. Stroke m	Hammer Type T	
164 354 107 126 130 46 14 15 418 67 16 17 18 68 421 19 20 133	MKT 70 HERA KOBE ICE ICE FEC DELMAG DELMAG DELMAG DELMAG DELMAG MITSUB. BERMINGH DELMAG DELMAG ICE	E DE70/50B 3500 K 35 1070 60-S FEC 3400 D 30-23 D 30-32 B450 5 M 43 D 36 D 36-02 D 36-13 MH 45 B550 C D 36-23 D 36-32 90-S	kN-m 94.95 96.25 97.90 98.47 98.93 99.02 99.90 105.63 109.06 113.69 113.69 113.69 115.87 119.36 120.04 120.04 122.07	kN 31.15 35.00 34.35 44.50 31.15 33.29 29.37 29.37 29.37 42.10 35.29 35.29 35.29 44.72 48.95 35.29 35.29 35.29 40.05	m 3.05 2.75 2.85 2.21 3.18 2.97 3.40 3.40 3.60 2.59 3.22 3.22 3.22 3.22 2.59 2.44 3.40 3.40 3.40 3.40 3.40	T OED OED OED OED OED OED OED OED OED OED	
21 419 110 24 132 136 355 420 22 23 25 165 26 356 134 27 357 112 70 135	DELMAG BERMINGH KOBE DELMAG ICE ICE HERA BERMINGH DELMAG DELMAG DELMAG MKT 110 DELMAG HERA ICE DELMAG HERA KOBE MITSUB. ICE	D 44 B500 5 K 45 D 46-13 80-S 200-S 5000 B550 5 D 46 D 46-02 D 46-23 DE110150 D 46-32 5700 100-S D 55 6200 KB 60 MH 72B 120-S	122.67 124.84 125.81 130.93 134.77 135.64 137.50 144.05 145.37 145.37 145.37 145.37 145.37 145.37 145.37 145.75 162.76 168.91 170.50 176.58 183.31 202.15	$\begin{array}{c} 42.27\\ 34.71\\ 44.14\\ 45.12\\ 35.60\\ 89.00\\ 50.00\\ 40.05\\ 45.12\\ 45.12\\ 45.12\\ 45.12\\ 45.12\\ 45.12\\ 57.00\\ 44.50\\ 52.78\\ 62.00\\ 58.87\\ 70.75\\ 53.40\end{array}$	2.90 3.60 2.85 2.90 3.79 1.52 2.75 3.60 3.22 3.22 3.22 3.22 3.05 3.40 2.75 3.66 3.20 2.75 3.66 3.20 2.75 3.00 2.59 3.79	OED OED OED OED OED OED OED OED OED OED	
166 358	MKT 150 HERA	DE110150 7500	202.91 203.45 206.25	78.32 66.75 75.00	2.59 3.05 2.75	OED OED OED	

TABLE D-1 DIESEL HAMMER LISTING (sorted by Maximum Energy)							
GRLWEAP ID	Hammer Mfgr	Hammer Name E	Max. Energy kN-m	Ram Weight kN	Eq. Max. Stroke m	Hammer Type T	
28	DELMAG	D 62-02	206.77	60.79	3.40	OED	
29	DELMAG	D 62-12	206.77	60.79	3.40	OED	
30	DELMAG	D 62-22	206.77	60.79	3.40	OED	
113	KOBE	KB 80	235.43	78.50	3.00	OED	
359	HERA	8800	242.00	88.00	2.75	OED	
31	DELMAG	D 80-12	252.61	78.41	3.22	OED	
32	DELMAG	D 80-23	266.71	78.41	3.40	OED	
33	DELMAG	D100-13	333.47	98.03	3.40	OED	

TABLE D-2 EXTERNAL COMBUSTION HAMMER LISTING (sorted by Maximum Energy)							
GRLWEAP ID	Hammer Mfgr	Hammer Name	Max. Energy kN-m	Ram Weight kN	Eq. Max. Stroke m	Hammer Type	
$\begin{array}{c} 301\\ 302\\ 303\\ 205\\ 220\\ 521\\ 304\\ 305\\ 306\\ 171\\ 204\\ 251\\ 221\\ 307\\ 308\\ 522\\ 541\\ 309\\ 222\\ 172\\ 206\\ 252\\ 253\\ 254\\ 223\\ 311\\ 341\\ 542\\ 255\\ 310\\ 224\\ 255\\ 310\\ 224\\ 256\\ 257\\ 449\\ 515\\ 173\\ 235\\ 320\\ \end{array}$	MKT MKT VULCAN VULCAN DAWSON MKT MKT MKT CONMACO VULCAN RAYMOND VULCAN MKT ULCAN MKT VULCAN RAYMOND RA	No. 5 No. 7 VUL 02 VUL 30C HPH 1200 9B3 10B3 C5-Air C 50 VUL 01 R 1 VUL 50C C5-Steam S-5 HPH 2400 3 Tonnes 11B3 VUL 65C C 65 VUL 06 R 1S R 65C R 65CH VUL 65CA C826 Air SC 30 4 Tonnes R 0 C826 Stm VUL 80C R 80C	$\begin{array}{c} 1.36\\ 3.39\\ 5.63\\ 9.85\\ 9.85\\ 9.85\\ 11.73\\ 11.87\\ 17.78\\ 19.26\\ 20.35\\ 20.35\\ 20.35\\ 20.35\\ 20.35\\ 20.35\\ 20.35\\ 20.35\\ 20.35\\ 20.48\\ 21.97\\ 22.04\\ 23.49\\ 23.53\\ 25.97\\ 26.01\\ 26.45\\ 26.54\\ 28.75\\ 30.02\\ 31.39\\ 33.06\\ 33.10\\ 33.20\\ 33.20\\ 33.20\\ 33.20\\ 33.59\\ 33.75\\ 33.91\\ 33.91\\ 35.01\end{array}$	<ul> <li>.89</li> <li>1.78</li> <li>3.56</li> <li>13.35</li> <li>10.20</li> <li>7.12</li> <li>13.35</li> <li>22.25</li> <li>23.38</li> <li>35.60</li> <li>35</li></ul>	$\begin{array}{c} 1.52\\ 1.90\\ 1.58\\ .74\\ .74\\ 1.15\\ 1.67\\ 1.33\\ .87\\ .91\\ .91\\ .91\\ .92\\ .99\\ .99\\ 1.26\\ .80\\ 1.17\\ .90\\ .91\\ .91\\ .91\\ .91\\ .91\\ .91\\ .91\\ .91$		
225 175 207	VULCAN CONMACO VULCAN	VUL 85C C 80 VUL 08	35.25 35.27 35.27	37.91 35.60 35.60	.93 .99 .99	ECH ECH ECH	

TABLE D-2 EXTERNAL COMBUSTION HAMMER LISTING							
(sorted by Maximum Energy)							
GRLWEAP	Hammer	Hammer	Max.	Ram	Eq. Max.	Hammer	
ID	Mfgr	Name	Energy	Weight	Stroke	Туре	
			kN-m	kN	m		
312	MKT	S-8	35.27	35.60	.99	ECH	
381	BSP	HH 3	35.29	29.42	1.20	ECH	
481	JUNTTAN	ННК З	36.01	29.46	1.22	ECH	
543	BANUT	5 Tonnes	39.22	49.04	.80	ECH	
342	IHC Hydh	SC 40	39.98	24.52	1.63	ECH	
321	IHC Hyan	S 40	41.18	24.52	1.68	ECH	
313		MS-350	41.78	34.35	1.22	ECH	
430			41.99	39.24	1.07	ECH	
174		C 100	44.06	20.92	1.52	ECH	
208	VUICAN	VIII 010	44.00	44.50	.99 QQ	ECH	
236	VULCAN	VUL 506	44.08	28.92	1.52	ECH	
258	RAYMOND	R 2/0	44.08	44.50	.99	FCH	
314	MKT	S 10	44.08	44.50	.99	ECH	
506	HPSI	650	44.08	28.92	1.52	ECH	
372	FAIRCHLD	F-32	44.15	48.28	.91	ECH	
226	VULCAN	VUL 100C	44.62	44.50	1.00	ECH	
516	UDDCOMB	H4H	45.00	39.16	1.15	ECH	
544	BANUT	6 Fonnes	47.09	58.87	.80	ECH	
482			47.97	39.25	1.22	ECH	
177		VUL 1400	48.80	62.30	.78	ECH	
315	MKT		50.69	51.17	.99	ECH	
551	ICE	110-SH	50.69	02.30 51.17	.82 1.00		
552	ICE	115-SH	51.10	51 17	1.00	ECH	
441	MENCK	MHF5-5	52.48	49.05	1.01	FCH	
451	MENCK	MHF3-5	52.48	49.05	1.07	FCH	
209	VULCAN	VUL 012	52.90	53.40	.99	ECH	
178	CONMACO	C 80E5	54.25	35.60	1.52	ECH	
237	VULCAN	VUL 508	54.25	35.60	1.52	ECH	
545	BANUT	7 Tonnes	54.92	68.66	.80	ECH	
259	RAYMOND	R 3/0	55.10	55.62	.99	ECH	
517	UDDCOMB	H5H	56.25	48.95	1.15	ECH	
182			56.97	62.30	.91	ECH	
202			56.97	62.30	.91	ECH	
316	MKT	MS 500	20.03 50.60	49.04 10.05	1.20	ECH	
501	HPSI	110	09.00 50 60	40.90	1.22		
489	JUNTTAN	HHK 5A	59.00 59.79	40.90 20 NA	1.22		
483	JUNTTAN	HHK 5	59 99	49 NR	1.22	FCH	
343	IHC Hydh	SC 60	60.00	34.35	1.75	ECH	

TABLE D-2 EXTERNAL COMBUSTION HAMMER LISTING							
(sorted by Maximum Energy)							
GRLWEAP ID	Hammer Mfgr	Hammer Name	Max. Energy kN-m	Ram Weight kN	Eq. Max. Stroke m	Hammer Type	
ID 322 371 282 442 452 183 211 260 261 271 518 179 507 238 228 323 191 484 443 453	Mfgr IHC Hydh FAIRCHLD MENCK MENCK CONMACO VULCAN RAYMOND RAYMOND RAYMOND MENCK UDDCOMB CONMACO HPSI VULCAN IHC Hydh CONMACO JUNTTAN MENCK MENCK	Name S 60 F-45 MRBS 500 MHF5-6 MHF3-6 C 160 VUL 016 R 150C R 4/0 MH 68 H6H C 100E5 1000 VUL 510 VUL 200C S 70 C 160 ** HHK 6 MHF5-7 MHE3-7	Energy kN-m 60.04 61.04 61.13 62.98 62.98 66.12 66.12 66.12 66.12 66.12 66.12 66.70 67.82 67.83 71.96	Weight kN 58.86 66.75 49.04 58.86 72.31 72.31 66.75 34.35 58.74 44.50 44.50 44.50 89.00 34.35 76.81 58.87 68.67 68.67	Stroke m 1.02 .91 1.25 1.07 1.07 .91 .99 .99 1.94 1.15 1.52 1.52 1.52 1.52 1.52 1.52 1.52	Type ECH ECH ECH ECH ECH ECH ECH ECH ECH ECH	
262 180 344 184 212 231 239 317 502 383 503 490 444 485 181 553 324 283 519	RAYMOND CONMACO IHC Hydh CONMACO VULCAN VULCAN VULCAN VULCAN VULCAN MKT HPSI BSP HPSI JUNTTAN MENCK JUNTTAN CONMACO ICE IHC Hydh MENCK UDDCOMB	R 5/0 C 115E5 SC 80 C 200 VUL 020 VUL 320 VUL 512 S 20 150 HH 7 154 HHK 7A MHF5-8 HHK 7 C 125E5 160-SH S 90 MRBS 750 H8H	77.14 77.99 79.89 81.38 81.38 81.38 81.38 81.38 81.38 81.38 82.44 83.55 83.71 83.97 83.98 84.77 86.81 90.01 91.92 94.06	77.88 51.17 50.02 89.00 89.00 89.00 53.40 89.00 66.75 68.65 68.65 68.65 68.65 68.65 68.65 68.65 78.48 68.71 55.62 71.20 44.14 73.56 78.32	$\begin{array}{c} 1.07\\ .99\\ 1.52\\ 1.60\\ .91\\ .91\\ 1.52\\ .91\\ 1.52\\ 1.22\\ 1.22\\ 1.22\\ 1.22\\ 1.22\\ 1.22\\ 1.22\\ 1.22\\ 1.22\\ 1.22\\ 2.04\\ 1.25\\ 1.20\end{array}$	ECH $ECH$	

	TABLE D-2 EXTERNAL COMBUSTION HAMMER LISTING (sorted by Maximum Energy)						
GRLWEAP ID	Hammer Mfgr	Hammer Name	Max. Energy kN-m	Ram Weight kN	Eq. Max. Stroke m	Hammer Type	
445 263 446 345 385 491 504 264 508 447 520 486 185 213 232 270 505 448 284	MENCK RAYMOND MENCK IHC Hydh BSP JUNTTAN HPSI RAYMOND HPSI MENCK UDDCOMB JUNTTAN CONMACO VULCAN 9K DROP HPSI MENCK MENCK	MHF5-9 R 30X MHF5-10 SC 110 HH 9 HHK 9A 200 R 8/0 1605 MHF5-11 H10H HHK 10 C 300 VUL 030 VUL 030 VUL 030 VUL 330 9K DROP 225 MHF5-12 MRBS 800	Energy kN-m 94.47 101.73 104.97 105.01 106.03 107.64 108.51 110.2 112.58 115.46 117.84 119.93 122.07 122.07 122.07 122.07 122.07 122.07 125.96 126 53	Weight kN 88.29 133.50 98.10 67.68 88.29 88.29 89.00 111.25 73.87 107.91 98.12 98.12 98.12 133.50 111.25 107.91 98.12 133.50 135.50 135.5	Stroke m 1.07 .76 1.07 1.55 1.20 1.22 1.22 .99 1.52 1.07 1.20 1.22 .91 .91 .91 .91 3.05 1.22 1.07 1.50	ECH ECH ECH ECH ECH ECH ECH ECH ECH ECH	
285 509 386 186 240 265 346 273 487 229 454 214 233 387 286 488 287	MENCK HPSJ BSP CONMACO VULCAN RAYMOND IHC Hydh MENCK JUNTTAN VULCAN WENCK VULCAN VULCAN BSP MENCK JUNTTAN MENCK	MRBS 850 2005 HH 11 C 5200 VUL 520 R 40X SC 150 MH 145 HHK 12 VUL 400C MHF10-15 VUL 040 VUL 340 HH 14 MRBS1100 HHK 14 MRBS1500	126.53 126.53 128.99 129.59 135.64 135.64 135.64 140.12 142.15 143.92 154.08 157.39 162.76 162.76 162.76 164.92 167.90 182.00	84.37 84.64 107.91 89.00 178.00 107.91 73.56 117.75 178.00 147.12 178.00 147.12 178.00 137.33 107.91 137.37	1.50 1.52 1.20 1.52 1.52 1.52 .76 1.30 1.93 1.22 .87 1.07 .91 .91 1.20 1.55 1.22		
287 388 274 325 461 187	MENCK BSP MENCK IHC Hydh MENCK CONMACO	MHBS1502 HH 16 MH 195 S 200 MHUT 200 C 5300	183.90 188.35 191.41 199.63 199.90 203.45	147.16 156.96 98.12 97.90 117.75 133.50	1.25 1.20 1.95 2.04 1.70 1.52	ECH ECH ECH ECH ECH ECH	
	TABLE C	)-2 EXTERNAL (sorted b	COMBUSTION y Maximum En	HAMMER L ergy)	ISTING		
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GRLWEAP ID	Hammer Mfgr	Hammer Name	Max. Energy kN-m	Ram Weight kN	Eq. Max. Stroke m	Hammer Type	
241 266 347 455 510 275 389 390 511 348 230 215 234 326 288 242 327 188 290 291 391 289 276 328 462	VULCAN RAYMOND IHC Hydh MENCK HPSI MENCK BSP BSP HPSI IHC Hydh VULCAN VULCAN VULCAN VULCAN IHC Hydh MENCK VULCAN IHC Hydh CONMACO MENCK BSP MENCK MENCK IHC Hydh MENCK	VUL 530 R 60X SC 200 MHF10-20 3005 MHU 220 HH 20 HH 20 HH 20S 3505 SC 250 VUL 600C VUL 600C VUL 600C VUL 600C VUL 600C VUL 600C VUL 600C VUL 600C VUL 540 S 250 MRBS1800 VUL 540 S 280 C 5450 MRBS2502 MRBS2504 HA 30 MRBS2500 MHU 400 S 400 MHUT 400	Energy kN-m 203.45 203.45 204.81 209.81 209.32 215.76 235.44 235.44 235.44 239.16 240.04 243.01 244.14 250.44 257.46 271.27 280.11 305.18 306.47 353.16 355.52 392.74 399.58 400.29	weight kN 133.50 267.00 134.39 196.11 137.35 111.83 196.20 196.20 196.20 196.20 196.20 196.20 196.20 267.01 20.25 245.24 245.24 245.24 245.24 245.24 25.66 197.13 234.51	Stroke m 1.52 .76 1.52 1.07 1.52 1.93 1.20 1.52 1.37 .91 .91 2.04 1.50 1.49 2.11 1.52 1.25 1.25 1.25 1.25 1.20 1.25 1.74 2.03 1.71	ECH ECH ECH ECH ECH ECH ECH ECH ECH ECH	
243 245 292 392 189 329 463 277 294 246 190 293 464 295 330 465	VULCAN VULCAN MENCK BSP CONMACO IHC Hydh MENCK MENCK VULCAN CONMACO MENCK MENCK MENCK IHC Hydh MENCK	VUL 560 VUL 3100 MRBS3000 HA 40 C 5700 S 500 MHUT 500 MHUT 500 MHUT 600 MRBS4600 VUL 5100 C 6850 MRBS3900 MHUT700U MRBS5000 S 800 MHUT700A	406.91 406.91 441.30 470.88 474.73 499.54 499.89 588.17 676.74 678.18 691.74 696.28 700.06 735.60 800.05 839.83	278.13 445.00 294.28 392.40 311.50 246.08 264.95 343.36 451.27 445.00 378.25 386.53 413.09 490.52 363.00 413.09	1.46 .91 1.50 1.20 1.52 2.03 1.89 1.71 1.50 1.52 1.83 1.80 1.69 1.50 2.20 2.03		

	TABLE D-2 EXTERNAL COMBUSTION HAMMER LISTING (sorted by Maximum Energy)						
GRLWEAP	Hammer	Hammer	Max.	Ram	Eq. Max.	Hammer	
ID	Mfgr	Name	Energy kN-m	Weight kN	Stroke m	Туре	
297	MENCK	MRBS7000	856.41	685.30	1.25	ECH	
466	MENCK	MHUT1000	999.52	588.73	1.70	ECH	
331	IHC Hydh	S 1000	999.99	451.26	2.22	ECH	
278	MENCK	MHU 1000	1000.58	565.02	1.77	ECH	
247	VULCAN	VUL 5150	1017.27	667.50	1.52	ECH	
296	MENCK	MRBS6000	1029.79	588.60	1.75	ECH	
298	MENCK	MRBS8000	1176.97	784.85	1.50	ECH	
299	MENCK	MRBS8800	1294.69	863.34	1.50	ECH	
332	IHC Hydh	S 1600	1597.52	694.20	2.30	ECH	
279	MENCK	MHU 1700	1666.80	922.17	1.81	ECH	
280	MENCK	MHU 2100	2099.09	1138.31	1.84	ECH	
300	MENCK	MBS12500	2145.53	1226.33	1.75	ECH	
333	IHC Hydh	S 2300	2298.99	1008.37	2.28	ECH	
248	VULCAN	VUL 6300	2441.45	1335.00	1.83	ECH	
281	MENCK	MHU 3000	2945.54	1618.73	1.82	ECH	
334	IHC Hydh	S 3000	2997.72	1477.40	2.03	ECH	

		TABLE D-3 COM (sorted by GR	plete hamm Ilweap ID Nu	ER LISTING umbers)		
GRLWEAP	Hammer	Hammer	Max.	Ram	Eq. Max.	Hammer
ID	Mfgr	Name	Energy	Weight	Stroke	Туре
			KIN-III	KIN	III .	
1	DELMAG	D 5	11.16	4.89	2.28	OED
2	DELMAG	D 8-22	23.87	7.83	3.05	OED
3		D 12	32.00	12.24	2.62	OED
4		D 15	38.40	14.68	2.62	OED
5		D 10-32	53.23	15.66	3.40	OED
7			55.U8 65.79	21.85	2.52	OED
8		D 22-02	00.70	21.58	3.05	OED
a		D 22-13	60.52	21.00	3.05	
10		D 22-23	83.40	21.00	3.22	OED
10		D 30	80.84	24.02	3.40 2.75	
12	DELMAG	D 30-02	89.52	29.07	2.75	
13		D 30-13	89.52	29.07	3.05	
14		D 30-23	99.92	29.07	3.00	
15	DELMAG	D 30-32	99.90	29.37	3.40	
16	DELMAG	D 36	113 69	35.29	3.22	
17	DELMAG	D 36-02	113.69	35.29	3.22	
18	DELMAG	D 36-13	113.69	35.29	3.22	OFD
19	DELMAG	D 36-23	120.04	35.29	3.40	OFD
20	DELMAG	D 36-32	120.04	35.29	3.40	OFD
21	DELMAG	D 44	122.67	42.27	2.90	OED
22	DELMAG	D 46	145.37	45.12	3.22	OED
23	DELMAG	D 46-02	145.37	45.12	3.22	OED
24	DELMAG	D 46-13	130.93	45.12	2.90	OED
25	DELMAG	D 46-23	145.37	45.12	3.22	OED
26	DELMAG	D 46-32	153.49	45.12	3.40	OED
27	DELMAG	D 55	168.91	52.78	3.20	OED
28	DELMAG	D 62-02	206.77	60.79	3.40	OED
29	DELMAG	D 62-12	206.77	60.79	3.40	OED
30	DELMAG	D 62-22	206.77	60.79	3.40	OED
31	DELMAG	D 80-12	252.61	78.41	3.22	OED
32	DELMAG	D 80-23	266.71	78.41	3.40	OED
33	DELMAG	D100-13	333.47	98.03	3.40	OED
36	DELMAG	D 6-32	14.24	5.88	2.42	OED
37	DELMAG	D 12-32	42.50	12.55	3.39	OED
38	DELMAG	D 19-32	57.51	17.80	3.23	OED
41	FEC	FEC 1200	30.51	12.24	2.49	OED
42	FEC	FEC 1500	36.75	14.68	2.50	OED
43	FEC	FEC 2500	67.81	24.47	2.77	OED
44	FEC	FEC 2800	75.95	27.41	2.77	OED
45	FEC	FEC 3000	85.49	29.37	2.91	OED

	1	ABLE D-3 COM (sorted by GF	plete hamm RLWEAP ID Nu	ER LISTING umbers)		
GRLWEAP ID	Hammer Mfgr	Hammer Name	Max. Energy kN-m	Ram Weight kN	Eq. Max. Stroke m	Hammer Type
$\begin{array}{c} 46\\ 61\\ 62\\ 63\\ 64\\ 65\\ 66\\ 67\\ 68\\ 70\\ 71\\ 81\\ 82\\ 83\\ 84\\ 85\\ 101\\ 103\\ 104\\ 107\\ 110\\ 112\\ 113\\ 120\\ 121\\ 122\\ 123\\ 124\\ 125\\ 126\\ 127\\ 128\\ 129\\ 130\\ 131\\ \end{array}$	FEC MITSUB. MITSUB. MITSUB. MITSUB. MITSUB. MITSUB. MITSUB. MITSUB. MITSUB. MITSUB. LINKBELT	FEC 3400 M 14 MH 15 M 23 MH 25 M 33 MH 35 M 43 MH 45 MH 72B MH 80B LB 180 LB 312 LB 440 LB 520 LB 660 K 13 K22-Est K 25 K 35 K 45 K 35 K 45 KB 60 KB 80 180 422 440 520 640 660 1070 30-S 40-S 42-S 60-S 70-S	N-m   99.02   34.24   38.16   58.34   63.53   83.70   89.00   109.06   115.87   183.31   202.91   10.98   20.37   24.69   35.69   70.03   34.49   61.51   69.88   97.90   125.81   176.58   235.43   11.03   31.36   25.17   41.19   55.10   70.03   98.47   30.52   54.25   56.97   98.93   94.95	KN 33.29 13.22 14.73 22.52 24.52 32.31 34.35 42.10 44.72 70.75 78.32 7.70 17.18 17.80 22.56 33.69 12.77 21.58 24.52 34.35 44.14 58.87 78.50 7.70 17.80 12.56 24.52 34.35 44.14 58.87 78.50 7.70 17.80 1	m 2.97 2.59 2.85 2.85 2.85 2.85 2.85 2.85 2.85 2.85 2.85 2.85 2.85 2.85 3.00 3.00 1.43 1.76 1.41 1.83 2.06 2.21 2.29 3.05 3.13 3.18 2.05	OED OED OED OED OED OED OED OED OED OED
132 133		80-S 90-S	134.77 122.07	35.60 40.05	3.05 3.79 3.05	OED OED OED
134 135 136 141	ICE ICE ICE MKT 20	100-S 120-S 200-S DE333020	162.76 202.15 135.64 27.13	44.50 53.40 89.00 8.90	3.66 3.79 1.52 3.05	OED OED OED OED

	Т	ABLE D-3 COM (sorted by GR	plete hamm Ilweap ID Nu	ER LISTING umbers)		
GRLWEAP ID	Hammer Mfgr	Hammer Name	Max. Energy kN-m	Ram Weight kN	Eq. Max. Stroke	Hammer Type
110		DEssesses	AL N-111	IN IN	111	
142	MKT 30	DE333020	37.98	12.46	3.05	OED
143	MKT 40	DE333020	44.76	14.68	3.05	OED
144		DE333020	54.25	17.80	3.05	OED
140			20.75	7.57	2.74	OED
147	MKT		21.70	8.90	2.44	OED
140	MKT	DA35B SA	30.00	12.40	2.44	OED
150	MKT	DF 30B	32.20	12.40	2.09	
151	MKT	DA 35B	28 48	12.40	2.09	
152	MKT	DA 45	41 67	17.40	2.23	
153	MKT	DE 40	43 40	17.00	2.04	
159	MKT	DE 50B	57.65	22.25	2.59	
160	MKT	DA55B SA	54.25	22 25	2 44	
161	MKT	DA 55B	51.81	22.25	2.33	CED
162	MKT	DE 70B	80.70	31.15	2.59	OFD
163	MKT 50	DE70/50B	67.82	22.25	3.05	OED
164	MKT 70	DE70/50B	94.95	31.15	3.05	OED
165	MKT110	DE110150	149.20	48.95	3.05	OED
166	MKT150	DE110150	203.45	66.75	3.05	OED
171	CONMACO	C 50	20.35	22.25	.91	ECH
172	CONMACO	C 65	26.45	28.92	.91	ECH
173	CONMACO	C 550	33.91	22.25	1.52	ECH
174	CONMACO	C 565	44.08	28.92	1.52	ECH
175	CONMACO	C 80	35.27	35.60	.99	ECH
176	CONMACO	C 100	44.08	44.50	.99	ECH
177	CONMACO	C 115	50.69	51.17	.99	ECH
1/8	CONMACO	C 80E5	54.25	35.60	1.52	ECH
1/9	CONMACO	C 100E5	67.82	44.50	1.52	ECH
180		C 115E5	77.99	51.17	1.52	ECH
101		0 12565	84.77	55.62	1.52	ECH
102	CONMACO	C 140	56.97	62.30	.91	ECH
103		C 160	66.12	72.31	.91	ECH
104	CONMACO	C 200	81.38	89.00	.91	ECH
190		C 500	122.07	133.50	.91	ECH
187		$C_{5200}$	100.04	89.00	1.52	ECH
188	CONMACO	C 5450	203.40	133.00	1.52	ECH
189	CONMACO	C 5700	000.10 171 72	200.20	1.52	ECH
190	CONMACO	C 6850	474.73 601 71	372 25	1.02	
191	CONMACO	C 160 **	70 22	76 91	1.03 01	
201	VULCAN	VUL V15	36.77	12.26	3.00	OED

	Т	ABLE D-3 COM (sorted by GR	Plete Hamm Lweap ID Nu	ER LISTING umbers)	······	
GRLWEAP ID	Hammer Mfgr	Hammer Name	Max. Energy kN-m	Ram Weight kN	Eq. Max. Stroke m	Hammer Type
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		TABLE D-3 COMI (sorted by GR	plete hamm Lweap ID Nu	ER LISTING umbers)		
GRLWEAP	Hammer	Hammer	Max.	Ram	Eq. Max.	Hammer
ID	Mfgr	Name	Energy	Weight	Stroke	Туре
			kN-m	kN	m	
248	VULCAN	VUL 6300	2441.45	1335.00	1.83	ECH
251	RAYMOND	R 1	20.35	22.25	.91	ECH
252	RAYMOND	R 1S	26.45	28.92	.91	ECH
253	RAYMOND	R 65C	26.45	28.92	.91	ECH
254	RAYMOND	R 65CH	26.45	28.92	.91	ECH
255	RAYMOND	R 0	33.06	33.38	.99	ECH
256	RAYMOND	R 80C	33.20	35.60	.93	ECH
257	RAYMOND	R 80CH	33.20	35.60	.93	ECH
258	RAYMOND	R 2/0	44.08	44.50	.99	ECH
259	RAYMOND	R 3/0	55.10	55.62	.99	ECH
260	RAYMOND	R 150C	66.12	66.75	.99	ECH
261	RAYMOND	R 4/0	66.12	66.75	.99	ECH
262	RAYMOND	R 5/0	77.14	77.88	.99	ECH
263	RAYMOND	R 30X	101.73	133.50	.76	ECH
264	RAYMOND	R 8/0	110.20	111.25	.99	ECH
265	RAYMOND	R 40X	135.64	178.00	.76	ECH
200		H 60X	203.45	267.00	.76	ECH
270		9K DROP	122.07	40.05	3.05	ECH
271	MENCK	IVIEI 68	66.70	34.35	1.94	ECH
272	MENCK		94.17	49.04	1.92	ECH
273	MENCK	MH 105	142.13	73.50	1.93	ECH
275	MENCK	MHLL 220	191.41	98.12	1.95	ECH
276	MENCK	MHU 400	215.70	225.66	1.93	ECH
277	MENCK	MHU 600	582.14	242.00	1./4	ECH
278	MENCK	MHU 1000	1000.17	545.50	1.71	ECH
279	MENCK	MHU 1700	1666.80	022.17	1.//	ECH
280	MENCK	MHU 2100	2000.00	1138 31	1.01	ECH
281	MENCK	MHU 3000	2035.03	1618 73	1.04	ECH
282	MENCK	MBBS 500	61 13	49.04	1.02	ECH
283	MENCK	MRBS 750	91 92	73 56	1.25	ECH
284	MENCK	MRBS 800	126.53	84.37	1.20	FCH
285	MENCK	MRBS 850	126.53	84.37	1.50	FCH
286	MENCK	MRBS1100	167.42	107.91	1.55	FCH
287	MENCK	MRBS1502	183.90	147.16	1 25	FCH
288	MENCK	MRBS1800	257.46	171.68	1.50	FCH
289	MENCK	MRBS2500	355.52	284.49	1.25	FCH
290	MENCK	<b>MRBS2502</b>	306.47	245.24	1.25	ECH
291	MENCK	MRBS2504	306.47	245.24	1.25	ECH
292	MENCK	MRBS3000	441.30	294.28	1.50	ECH
293	MENCK	MRBS3900	696.28	386.53	1.80	ECH

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294 295 296 297 298 299 300 301 302 303 304 305 306 307 308 309 310 311 312 313 314 315 316 317 320	MENCK MENCK MENCK MENCK MENCK MENCK MKT MKT MKT MKT MKT MKT MKT MKT MKT MK	MRBS4600 MRBS5000 MRBS6000 MRBS8000 MRBS8800 MBS12500 No. 5 No. 6 No. 7 9B3 10B3 C5-Air C5-Steam S-5 11B3 C826 Stm C826 Air S-8 MS-350 S 10 S 14 MS 500 S 20 S 35	kN-m 676.74 735.60 1029.79 856.41 1176.97 1294.69 2145.53 1.36 3.39 5.63 11.87 17.78 19.26 21.97 22.04 25.97 33.10 28.75 35.27 41.78 44.08 50.89 59.68 81.38 35.01	kN 451.27 490.52 588.60 685.30 784.85 863.34 1226.33 .89 1.78 3.56 7.12 13.35 22.25 22.25 22.25 22.25 22.25 22.25 35.60 35.80 35	m 1.50 1.50 1.75 1.25 1.50 1.50 1.50 1.52 1.90 1.58 1.67 1.33 .87 .99 .99 .99 1.17 .93 .81 .99 1.22 .99 .82 1.22 .91 1.00	
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ID 343 344 345 346 347 348 350 351 352 353 354 355 356 357 358 359 371 372 381 382 381 382 384 385 386 387	Mfgr IHC Hydh IHC Hydh IHC Hydh IHC Hydh IHC Hydh IHC Hydh IHC Hydh HERA HERA HERA HERA HERA HERA HERA HERA	Name SC 60 SC 80 SC 110 SC 150 SC 200 SC 250 1250 1250 1500 2500 2800 3500 5000 5700 6200 7500 8800 F-45 F-32 HH 3 HH 5 HH 7 HH 8 HH 9 HH 11 HH 14	Energy kN-m 60.00 79.89 105.01 140.12 204.81 240.04 34.38 41.25 68.75 77.00 96.25 137.50 156.75 170.50 206.25 242.00 61.04 44.15 35.29 58.83 82.44 94.27 106.03 129.59 164.02	Weight kN 34.35 50.02 67.68 107.91 134.39 174.62 12.50 15.00 25.00 28.00 35.00 57.00 62.00 75.00 88.00 66.75 48.28 29.42 49.04 68.65 78.50 88.29 107.91 137.22	Stroke m 1.75 1.60 1.55 1.30 1.52 1.37 2.75 2.75 2.75 2.75 2.75 2.75 2.75 2.7	Type ECH ECH ECH ECH ECH ECH ECH OED OED OED OED OED OED OED OED OED OED
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TABLE D-3 COMPLETE HAMMER LISTING (sorted by GRLWEAP ID Numbers)						
GRLWEAP ID	Hammer Mfgr	Hammer Name	Max. Energy	Ram Weight	Eq. Max. Stroke	Hammer Type
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416	BERMINGH	B350 5	64.02	17.80	3.60	OED
41/	BERMINGH	B400 5	80.03	22.25	3.60	OED
418	BERMINGH	B450 5	105.63	29.37	3.60	OED
419	BERMINGH	B500 5	124.84	34.71	3.60	OED
420	BERMINGH	B550 5	144.05	40.05	3.60	OED
421	BERMINGH	B550 C	119.36	48.95	2.44	OED
441	MENCK	MHF5-5	52.48	49.05	1.07	ECH
442	MENCK	MHF5-6	62.98	58.86	1.07	ECH
443	MENCK	MHF5-7	73.48	68.67	1.07	ECH
444	MENCK	MHF5-8	83.97	78.48	1.07	ECH
445	MENCK	MHF5-9	94.47	88.29	1.07	ECH
446	MENCK	MHF5-10	104.97	98.10	1.07	ECH
447	MENCK	MHF5-11	115.46	107.91	1.07	ECH
448	MENCK	MHF5-12	125.96	117.72	1.07	ECH
449	MENCK	MHF3-3	33.59	31.39	1.07	ECH
450	MENCK	MHF3-4	41.99	39.24	1.07	ECH
451	MENCK	MHF3-5	52.48	49.05	1.07	ECH
452	MENCK	MHF3-6	62.98	58.86	1.07	ECH
453	MENCK	MHF3-7	73.48	68.67	1.07	ECH
454	MENCK	MHF10-15	157.39	147.12	1.07	ECH
455	MENCK	MHF10-20	209.81	196.11	1.07	ECH
461	MENCK	MHUT 200	199.90	117.75	1.70	ECH
462	MENCK	MHUT 400	400.29	234.51	1.71	ECH
463	MENCK	MHUT 500	499.89	264.95	1.89	ECH
464	MENCK	MHU1700U	700.06	413.09	1.69	ECH
465	MENCK	MHU [700A	839.83	413.09	2.03	ECH
466	MENCK	MHU11000	999.52	588.73	1.70	ECH
481	JUNITAN	HHK 3	36.01	29.46	1.22	ECH
482	JUNITAN	HHK 4	47.97	39.25	1.22	ECH
483	JUNITAN	HHK 5	59.99	49.08	1.22	ECH
484	JUNITAN	HHK 6	71.96	58.87	1.22	ECH
485	JUNITAN	HHK 7	83.98	68.71	1.22	ECH
486	JUNITAN	HHK 10	119.93	98.12	1.22	ECH
487	JUNTTAN	HHK 12	143.92	117.75	1.22	ECH
488	JUNTTAN	HHK 14	167.90	137.37	1.22	ECH
489	JUNTTAN	HHK 5A	59.79	49.04	1.22	ECH
490	JUNTTAN	HHK 7A	83.71	68.66	1.22	ECH
491	JUNTTAN	HHK 9A	107.64	88.29	1.22	ECH
501	HPSI	110	59.68	48.95	1.22	ECH
502	HPSI	150	81.38	66.75	1.22	ECH
503	HPSI	154	83.55	68.53	1.22	ECH

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# APPENDIX E

# Subsurface Exploration Results for Peach Freeway Design Problem

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CONE PENETRATION TEST RESULTS	E-11

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Regio	n	6				I	Hammer Fall-Casing Line Baseline Hammer Fall-Sampler Station 1223 + 88										
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Date	Start	1	0-1-1	995		;	SPT Hammer Type Safety Hammer Water	Tbl. Ele	v <u>92.0</u>	m							
Date	Finis	h	10-2	!-1 <b>99</b>	5		Core Barrel Type Double Tube Date	10-3-	1995								
Backi	ill/Se	ale	1 <u> </u>	10-3-	1995		Drill Rig Type Rotary Depth	4.0 m	p.m.								
	BLC	WS	ON				BOIL RESORIDION	a.,	γ.	w.							
NO.	PEF	1150	) m m		DEI	PIH	SOIL DESCRIPTION	90 10		С С							
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Date	Finis	h _	10-3-	199	5		Core Barrel Type <u>Double Tube</u> Date	<u>10-3-1</u>	995					
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Coun	ty	ame	5			Hammer Fall-Sampler Station	<u>1226 + 13</u>							
Projec	ct _	Pea	ch Fi	(88W)	ay	Wt. of Hammer-Casing Oliset								
Dete	lure Start	ע	10.4	.100		PT Hammer Type Safety Hammer Water Tbl. Elev. 87.0 m								
Date	Finis	h –	10-4	4.199	95	Core Barrel Type Double Tube Date	10-4-1995							
Backf	ill/Se	ale		0-4-	1995	Drill Big Type Botary Time	<u>5:00 p.m.</u>							
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					DEPTH	SOIL DESCRIPTION								
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UD-5					<b>9</b> - 30		316 16.7 22							
							(3.30) (106)							
UD-6							311 16.3 23							
							(3.25) (104)							
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UD-7					40		316 16.7 22							
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UD-8							326 17.0 21							
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SS-6	19	19	22	41										
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SS-7	21	24	26	50	- 65									
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SUBS	SURF	AC	E E)	(PLC	ORATION LO	G	BORING NO. S-4	SHEET NO.	_1_	OF 2	2					
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Count	tyJ ct	ame Pea	S ch F	-		H V	tammer Fall-Sampler	Ammer Fail-Sampler Station 1227 + 38								
Struct	ture	Dis	smal	Rive	r	v	/t. of Hammer-Sampler 64 kg Surface Elev. 91.0 r									
Date	Start	_1	0-5-1	995		8	PT Hammer Type Salety Hammer Water Tbl. Elev. 90.5 m									
Date	Finis	h	<u>10-</u>	5-19	95	0	Core Barrel Type Double Tube	Time 5	10-6-1 m.q 00:	aa2						
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	SAMPLER DEPTH				DEPTH		SOIL DESCRIPTION		<b>q</b> <sub>u</sub>	Ϋ́D	Wc					
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	150	300	450	N			(Lsf) (pcf)									
UD-1						•			62	13.9	35					
					1 -  -		MEDIUM SILTY CLAY		(0.65)	(89)						
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00-2					2 -				60	13.6	38					
									(0.63)	(87)						
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									00	14.1	- 34					
									(0.68)	(90)						
UD-4						1			67	14.4	32					
					Ĭ				(0.70)	(92)						
					6 - 20				(0.70)	(52)						
UD-5			_						69	14.6	31					
					7 -		······································		(0.72)	(93)						
UD-6	┠				- 25				170	44.0						
000					8 -		STIFF SILTY CLAY		172	14.9	30					
									(1.79)	(95)						
UD-7					9 - 30				182	15.7	27					
									/1 90	(100)						
									(1.09)	(100)						
UD-8									192	16.3	24					
									(2.00)	(104)						
110-0				<b>—</b>	12											
55-3					│				188	16.0	26					
					13 -				(1.96)	(102)						
UD-10					45				192	16.3	24					
					14				(2 00)	/10.4	-7					
-					15 -				(2.00)	(104)						
UD-11					50				190	16.2	25					
					16 -				(1.98)	(103)						
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00-12					17 - 55				316	16.7	22					
							VERY STIFF SILTY CLAY		(3.30)	(106)						
UD-13									310	16 E	22					
		_						ſ	0.04	10.5	23					
					19 -				(3.24)	(105)						
UD-14					20 - 65				326	17.0	21					
					20 - 00				79.40)	/109)						

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Count	ty <u>J</u>	ame	5			ŀ	Hammer Fall-Sampler Stati	on _	1227	+ 38				
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Date	Start	1	0-5-1	995	L		PT Hammer Type <u>Safety Hammer</u> Water Tbl. Elev. 90.5							
Date	Finis	h	10	-5-19	95		Core Barrel Type <u>Double Tube</u> Date		0-6-19	95				
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UD-15					21-	]	STIFF TO VERY STIFF		335	16.8	21			
					22 -	<u></u> [ / ]	SILIY CLAY		(3.50)	(107)				
		L	L		22				(0.00)	(107)				
UD-16					23 -	75			340	17.0	20			
						$\Gamma'^{3}$			(3.55)	(108)				
					24 -	4								
00-17		<u> </u>				- 80			350	17.1	19			
					25 -	4			(3.65)	(109)				
UD-18									245	17.0	20			
		-			26 -	85			345	17.0	20			
					~7	1			(3.60)	(108)				
UD-19					27 -	1			350	17.2	19			
					28	- 90			(3.65)	(110)				
					20 -					(1.0)				
UD-20					29 -				354	17.3	18			
				1 1		- <sup>95</sup>			(3.70)	(110)				
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File Number: 202	Date: 8/21/89
Operator: DM HOLLOWAY	On Site Location: Peach Freeway CPT-1
Cone Type: 186	Comment: 93/2/1001

## SUMMARY SHEET

'a' for calculating Qt:	0.800
Value for Water Table (in m):	4.000
Valid Zone Classification based on:	R <sub>f</sub>
Missing unit weight to start depth:	15.720
Method for calculating s <sub>u</sub> :	Nk
Value of the constant Nk:	15.000
Define Zone 6 for Sand Parameters?	Yes
Sand Compressibility for calc D <sub>r</sub> :	All sands

Soil Behavior Type Zone Numbers for R<sub>f</sub> Zone and Bq Zone Classification

Zone #I	= Sensitive fine grained	Zone #7	= Sand with some silt
Zone #2	= Organic material	Zone #8	= Fine sand
Zone #3	= Clay	Zone #9	= Sand
Zone #4	= Silty clay	Zone #10	= Gravelly sand
Zone #5	= Clayey silt	Zone #11	= Very stiff fine grained *
Zone #6	= Silty sand	Zone #12	= Sand to clayey sand *
* Over	consolidated and/or cemen	ited	

**NOTE:** For 8011 classification,  $R_f$  values > are assumed to be 8.

**NOTE:** Since U2 (pore pressure) has not been defined, Qt cannot be calculated, therefore, the value of Qt has been made equal to q<sub>c</sub>.

NOTE: ---- means out of range.

PEACH FREEWAY CPT-1											
Depth	q <sub>c</sub>	fs	R <sub>f</sub>	OS	EOS	R <sub>f</sub> Zone	SPT N	SPT N1	Dr	Su	s <sub>u</sub> /EOS
(meter)	Average (bars)	Average (bars)	(%)	Average (bars)	Average (bars)	(zone #)	(blow/.3 m)	(blow/.3 m)	(%)	(bars)	(ratio)
0.25	49.900	0.195	0.391	0.054	0.054	8	12	18	89		
0.50	46.867	0.190	0.405	0.103	0.103	8	12	18	78		
0.75	43.900	0.180	0.410	0.152	0.152	8	11	17	71		
1.00	42.633	0.167	0.391	0.201	0.201	8	11	17	66		
1.25	38.650	0.150	0.388	0.251	0.251	8	10	15	60		
1.50	33.600	0.130	0.387	0.299	0.299	7	11	17	54		
1.75	32.450	0.145	0.447	0.346	0.346	7	11	17	51		
2.00	34.700	0.157	0.451	0.393	0.393	7	12	18	51		
2.25	34.250	0.165	0.482	0.440	0.440	7	11	17	49		
2.50	34.400	0.220	0.640	0.487	0.487	7	11	17	47	<b></b>	
2.75	32.150	0.150	0.467	0.534	0.534	7	11	17	44		
3.00	36.633	0.180	0.491	0.582	0.582	7	12	18	47		
3.25	44.200	0.245	0.554	0.630	0.630	8	11	15	51		
3.50	58.667	0.267	0.455	0.679	0.679	8	15	20	58		
3.75	67.250	0.360	0.535	0.728	0.728	8	17	21	61		
4.00	63.733	0.393	0.617	0.777	0.777	8	16	19	58		
4.25	49.750	0.305	0.613	0.826	0.802	8	12	14	51		
4.50	41.733	0.263	0.631	0.874	0.825	7	14	16	45		
4.75	48.500	0.250	0.515	0.922	0.849	8	12	13	49		
5.00	43.733	0.223	0.511	0.972	0.874	8	11	12	46		
5.25	40.200	0.200	0.498	1.020	0.897	7	13	14	43		
5.50	39.667	0.193	0.487	1.067	0.920	7	13	13	42		
5.75	41.350	0.215	0.520	1.115	0.943	8	10	10	43		
6.00	42.400	0.217	0.511	1.164	0.968	8	11	11	43		
6.25	43.950	0.250	0.569	1.213	0.993	8	11	11	44		
6.50	44.600	0.283	0.635	1.261	1.016	7	15	14	44		
6.75	41.550	0.225	0.542	1.309	1.039	7	14	13	42		
7.00	32.767	0.170	0.519	1.356	1.061	7	11	10	35		
7.25	29.100	0.150	0.515	1.403	1.084	7	10	9	31		
7.50	26.567	0.123	0.464	1.450	1.107	7	9	8	28		
7.75	26.350	0.125	0.474	1.497	1.129	7	9	8	28		
8.00	28.900	0.160	0.554	1.544	1.152	7	10	9	30		
8.25	29.950	0.160	0.551	1.591	1.175	7	10	9	31		
8.50	31.033	0.183	0.591	1.639	1.197	7	10	8	31		
8.75	31.400	0.145	0.462	1.686	1.220	7	10	8	31		

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Depth	q <sub>c</sub>	fs	R,	OS	EOS	R <sub>f</sub> Zone	SPT N	SPT N1	Dr	s <sub>u</sub>	s <sub>u</sub> /EOS
(meter)	(bars)	(bars)	(%)	(bars)	(bars)	(zone #)	(blow/.3 m)	(blow/.3 m)	(%)	(bars)	(ratio)
9.00	32.833	0.147	0.447	1.733	1.242	7	11	9	33		
9.25	32.100	0.140	0.436	1.780	1.265	7	11	9	32		
9.50	36.133	0.150	0.415	1.827	1.288	7	12	10	35		
9.75	42.700	0.195	0.457	1.875	1.311	8	11	9	39		
10.00	32.867	0.123	0.375	1.923	1.335	7	11	9	32		
10.25	29.150	0.130	0.446	1.971	1.358	7	10	8	28		
10.50	31.500	0.133	0.423	2.018	1.380	7	11	8	30		
10.75	33.350	0.105	0.315	2.065	1.403	7	11	8	31		
11.00	35.100	0.143	0.408	2.112	1.425	7	12	9	32		
11.25	42.650	0.195	0.457	2.160	1.449	8	11	8	38		
11.50	54.300	0.290	0.534	2.209	1.474	8	14	10	44		
11.75	53.500	0.445	0.832	2.258	1.498	8	13	9	44		
12.00	51.333	1.207	2.351	2.308	1.523	6	21	15	42		
12.25	58.350	1.215	2.082	2.356	1.546	7	19	13	46		
12.50	56.700	1.140	2.011	2.403	1.569	7	. 19	13	45		
12.75	55.000	1.165	2.118	2.451	1.593	6	22	15	44		
13.00	50.200	1.163	2.317	2.500	1.617	6	20	13	41		
13.25	46.500	0.990	2.129	2.549	1.642	6	19	13	38		
13.50	47.267	0.843	1.784	2.597	1.665	7	16	10	39		
13.75	47.300	0.590	1.247	2.645	1.688	7	16	10	39		
14.00	62.467	0.973	1.558	2.692	1.711	7	21	13	46		
14.25	106.350	1.525	1.434	2.740	1.734	8	27	17	61		
14.50	127.733	1.110	0.869	2.789	1.759	9	26	16	66		
14.75	149.800	1.110	0.741	2.838	1.784	9	30	19	71		
15.00	162.900	2.047	1.256	2.887	1.808	8	41	25	73		
15.25	196.200	1.715	0.874	2.936	1.833	9	39	24	78		
15.50	203.300	1.477	0.726	2.985	1.857	9	41	25	79		
15.75	170.900	1.155	0.676	3.035	1.882	9	34	20	74		
16.00	168.633	1.153	0.684	3.084	1.907	9	34	20	73		
16.25	173.950	1.240	0.713	3.133	1.931	9	35	20	74		
16.50	208.867	1.610	0.771	3.182	1.956	9	42	24	79		
16.75	224.800	1.605	0.714	3.231	1.980	9	45	26	81		
17.00	252.367	1.877	0.744	3.280	2.005	9	50	28	84		
17.25	260.650	1.840	0.706	3.329	2.030	9	52	29	85		
17.50	249.233	2.083	0.836	3.378	2.054	9	50	28	83		

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Depth	qc	fs	R <sub>f</sub>	OS	EOS	R <sub>f</sub> Zone	SPT N	SPT N1	Dr	s <sub>u</sub>	s <sub>u</sub> /EOS
(meter)	Average (bars)	Average (bars)	(%)	Average (bars)	Average (bars)	(zone #)	(blow/.3 m)	(blow/.3 m)	(%)	(bars)	(ratio)
17.75	252.400	2.275	0.901	3.428	2.079	9	50	28	84		
18.00	305.000	2.860	0.938	3.477	2.103	9	61	33	89		
18.25	297.400	2.555	0.859	3.526	2.128	9	59	32	88		
18.50	254.833	2.123	0.833	3.575	2.153	9	51	27	83		
18.75	214.850	1.705	0.794	3.624	2.177	9	43	23	78		
19.00	148.067	1.310	0.885	3.673	2.202	9	30	16	67		
19.25	139.100	1.125	0.809	3.722	2.226	9	28	15	66		
19.50	162.450	1.390	0.856	3.771	2.251	9	32	17	70		
19.75	173.100	1.450	0.838	3.821	2.276	9	35	18	71		
20.00	214.933	1.657	0.771	3.870	2.300	9	43	22	78		
20.25	236.350	1.165	0.493	3.919	2.325	9	47	24	80		
20.50	204.867	1.427	0.696	3.968	2.349	9	41	21	76		
20.75	214.700	1.515	0.706	4.017	2.374	9	43	22	77		
21.00	221.533	1.477	0.667	4.066	2.399	9	44	22	78		
21.25	201.300	1.015	0.504	4.115	2.423	9	40	20	75		
21.50	192.700	0.710	0.368	4.164	2.448	9	39	20	74		
21.75	154.550	0.465	0.301	4.214	2.472	9	31	16	67		
22.00	186.733	0.577	0.309	4.263	2.497	9	37	19	72		
22.25	172.050	0.615	0.357	4.312	2.522	9	34	17	70		
22.50	180.900	0.713	0.394	4.361	2.546	9	36	18	71		
22.75	180.450	0.615	0.341	4.410	2.571	9	36	18	71		
23.00	209.567	2.040	0.973	4.459	2.595	9	42	21	75		
23.25	255.250	2.870	1.124	4.508	2.620	9	51	26	81		
23.50	286.267	1.450	0.507	4.558	2.646	10	48	24	84		
23.75	267.100	1.085	0.406	4.610	2.672	10	45	23	82		
24.00	213.833	0.607	0.284	4.661	2.699	10	36	18	75		
24.25	195.400	0.615	0.315	4.711	2.724	9	39	20	72		
24.50	183.033	0.630	0.344	4.760	2.749	9	37	19	70		
24.75	205.600	0.395	0.192	4.810	2.774	10	34	17	74		
25.00	197.667	0.590	0.298	4.860	2.800	9	40	20	72		
25.25	198.400	0.730	0.368	4.909	2.825	9	40	20	72		
25.50	203.167	0.617	0.304	4.958	2.849	9	41	21	73		
25.75	164.050	0.675	0.411	5.008	2.874	9	33	17	67		
26.00	197.300	0.653	0.331	5.057	2.898	9	39	20	72		
26.25	219.850	0.645	0.293	5.107	2.924	10	37	19	75		

PEACH FREEWAY CPT-1											
Depth	q <sub>c</sub>	fs	R <sub>f</sub>	OS	EOS	R <sub>f</sub> Zone	SPT N	SPT N1	Dr	S <sub>u</sub>	s <sub>u</sub> /EOS
(meter)	(bars)	(bars)	(%)	(bars)	(bars)	(zone #)	(blow/.3 m)	(blow/.3 m)	(%)	(bars)	(ratio)
26.50	204.100	0.700	0.343	5.157	2.950	9	41	21	72		
26.75	205.200	0.770	0.375	5.206	2.974	9	41	21	73		
27.00	185.200	0.600	0.324	5.255	2.999	9	37	19	69		
27.25	196.050	0.480	0.245	5.304	3.023	9	39	20	71		
27.50	211.900	0.753	0.356	5.353	3.048	9	42	21	73		
27.75	167.800	0.440	0.262	5.402	3.073	9	34	17	66		
28.00	175.400	0.593	0.338	5.452	3.097	9	35	18	67		
28.25	169.000	0.400	0.237	5.501	3.122	9	34	17	66		
28.50	198.167	0.560	0.283	5.550	3.146	9	40	20	71		
28.75	213.100	0.755	0.354	5.599	3.171	9	43	22	73		
29.00	194.933	0.837	0.429	5.648	3.196	9	39	20	70		
29.25	222.300	1.285	0.578	5.697	3.220	9	44	22	74		
29.50	351.033	1.137	0.324	5.747	3.246	10	59	30	87		
29.75	282.400	1.410	0.499	5.798	3.272	10	47	24	80		
30.00	179.367	0.430	0.240	5.849	3.298	9	36	18	67		
30.25	207.250	0.805	0.388	5.898	3.323	9	41	21	71		
30.50	248.033	1.580	0.637	5.947	3.347	9	50	25	76		
30.75	425.400	2.005	0.471	5.997	3.373	10	71	36	92		



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File Number: 203Date: 8/22/89Operator: DM HOLLOWAYOn Site Location: Peach Freeway CPT-3Cone Type: 186Comment: 93/2/1001

## SUMMARY SHEET

'a' for calculating Qt:	0.800
Value for Water Table (in m):	0.000
Valid Zone Classification based on:	R <sub>f</sub>
Missing unit weight to start depth:	15.720
Method for calculating s <sub>u</sub> :	Nk
Value of the constant Nk:	15.000
Define Zone 6 for Sand Parameters?	Yes
Sand Compressibility for calc D <sub>r</sub> :	All sands

Soil Behavior Type Zone Numbers for R<sub>f</sub> Zone and Bq Zone Classification

Zone #I	= Sensitive fine grained	Zone #7	= Sand with some silt
Zone #2	= Organic material	Zone #8	= Fine sand
Zone #3	= Clay	Zone #9	= Sand
Zone #4	= Silty clay	Zone #10	= Gravelly sand
Zone #5	= Clayey silt	Zone #11	= Very stiff fine grained *
Zone #6	= Silty sand	Zone #12	= Sand to clayey sand *
* Overc	consolidated and/or cement	ted	

**NOTE:** For 8011 classification,  $R_f$  values > are assumed to be 8.

NOTE: Since U2 (pore pressure) has not been defined, Qt cannot be calculated, therefore, the value of Qt has been made equal to  $Q_c$ .

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	PEACH FREEWAY CPT-3										
Depth	q <sub>c</sub>	fs	R <sub>f</sub>	OS	EOS	R <sub>f</sub> Zone	SPT N	SPT N1	D,	Su	s <sub>u</sub> /EOS
(Meter)	Average (bars)	Average (bars)	(%)	Average (bars)	Averge (bars)	(zone #)	(blow/.3 m)	(blow/.3 m)	(%)	(bars)	(ratio)
0.25	12.400	0.110	0.887	0.051	0.027	6	5	8	60		
0.50	11.867	0.117	0.983	0.098	0.049	6	5	8	50		
0.75	13.900	0.155	1.115	0.145	0.072	6	6	9	49		
1.00	12.633	0.157	1.240	0.193	0.094	6	5	8	42		
1.25	13.650	0.150	1.099	0.240	0.117	6	5	8	41		
1.50	13.600	0.137	1.005	0.287	0.140	6	5	8	39		
1.75	12.450	0.145	1.165	0.334	0.162	6	5	8	34		
2.00	121.367	0.490	0.404	0.382	0.186	9	24	36	97		
2.25	339.750	1.265	0.372	0.432	0.211	10	57	86	125		
2.50	384.400	1.287	0.335	0.483	0.238	10	64	96	127		
2.75	427.650	2.150	0.503	0.534	0.265	10	71	107	128		
3.00	236.633	2.180	0.921	0.585	0.290	9	47	71	110		
3.25	34.200	2.245	6.564	0.634	0.315	3	34	51		2.238	7.108
3.50	35.333	2.267	6.415	0.683	0.339	3	35	53		2.311	6.805
3.75	27.250	1.810	6.642	0.732	0.364	3	27	41		1.768	4.856
4.00	33.733	1.660	4.921	0.781	0.389	3	34	51		2.198	5.653
4.25	34.750	1.655	4.763	0.830	0.413	4	23	35		2.262	5.472
4.50	41.733	2.363	5.663	0.879	0.438	3	42	63		2.725	6.221
4.75	38.500	1.900	4.935	0.928	0.462	3	39	59		2.506	5.416
5.00	40.400	2.133	5.281	0.978	0.487	3	40	60		2.629	5.396
5.25	40.200	2.200	5.473	1.027	0.512	3	40	60		2.613	5.104
5.50	39.667	2.193	5.529	1.076	0.536	3	40	60		2.573	4.798
5.75	41.350	2.365	5.719	1.125	0.561	3	41	62		2.682	4.782
6.00	42.400	2.317	5.464	1.174	0.585	3	42	61		2.748	4.695
6.25	43.950	2.250	5.119	1.223	0.610	3	44	62		2.848	4.669
6.50	44.600	2.283	5.120	1.272	0.635	3	45	62		2.889	4.551
6.75	41.550	2.225	5.355	1.321	0.659	3	42	56		2.682	4.068
7.00	32.767	2.170	6.623	1.371	0.684	3	33	43		2.093	3.061
7.25	29.100	2.150	7.388	1.420	0.708	3	29	37		1.845	2.605
7.50	26.567	2.123	7.992	1.469	0.733	3	27	33		1.673	2.283

PEACH FREEWAY CPT-3											
Depth	q₀ Average	fs Average	R,	OS Average	EOS Averge	R <sub>t</sub> Zone	SPT N	SPT N1	D,	s <sub>u</sub>	s <sub>u</sub> /EOS
(Meter)	(bars)	(bars)	(%)	(bars)	(bars)	(zone #)	(blow/.3 m)	(blow/.3 m)	(%)	(bars)	(ratio)
15.50	195.967	1.477	0.754	3.041	1.520	9	39	27	81		
15.75	180.900	1.155	0.638	3.090	1.545	9	36	25	78		
16.00	170.967	1.153	0.675	3.139	1.569	9	34	23	76		
16.25	181.450	1.240	0.683	3.188	1.594	9	36	24	78		
16.50	203.867	1.610	0.790	3.237	1.619	9	41	27	81		
16.75	194.800	1.605	0.824	3.286	1.643	9	39	26	80		
17.00	205.700	1.877	0.912	3.336	1.668	9	41	27	81		
17.25	220.650	1.840	0.834	3.385	1.692	9	44	28	83		
17.50	219.233	2.083	0.950	3.434	1.717	9	44	28	82		
17.75	212.400	2.275	1.071	3.483	1.742	9	42	27	81		
18.00	208.333	2.527	1.213	3.532	1.766	9	42	26	80		
18.25	197.400	1.555	0.788	3.581	1.791	9	39	24	79		
18.50	194.833	1.790	0.919	3.630	1.815	9	39	24	78		
18.75	209.850	1.705	0.812	3.679	1.840	9	42	25	80		
19.00	194.733	1.310	0.673	3.729	1.865	9	39	23	78		
19.25	204.100	1.125	0.551	3.778	1.889	9	41	24	79		
19.50	217.450	1.390	0.639	3.827	1.914	9	43	25	81		
19.75	273.100	1.450	0.531	3.877	1.939	10	46	27	87		
20.00	505.050	1.545	0.306	3.928	1.966	10	84	48			



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File Number: 8 0	Date: 8/19/89
Operator: DM HOLLOWAY	On Site Location: Peach Freeway CPT-4
Cone Type: 186	Comment: 93/2/1001

## SUMMARY SHEET

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	PEACH FREEWAY CPT-4										
Depth	٩c	fs	R,	OS	EOS	R <sub>f</sub> Zone	SPT N	SPT N1	D,	su	s <sub>u</sub> /EOS
(Meter)	Average (bars)	Average (bars)	(%)	Average (bars)	Averge (bars)	(zone #)	(blow/.3 m)	(biow/.3 m)	(%)	(bars)	(ratio)
0.25	56.040	2.612	4.661	0.054	0.054	4	37	56		3.732	69.071
0.50	29.040	0.964	3.320	0.103	0.103	5	15	23		1.929	18.700
0.75	12.560	0.417	3.320	0.151	0.151	4	8	12		0.827	5 468
1.00	6.480	0.345	5.327	0.198	0.198	3	6	9		0.419	2.110
1.25	8.820	0.463	5.252	0.246	0.221	3	9	14		0.572	2.586
1.50	8.240	0.457	5.544	0.293	0.244	3	8	12		0.530	1.174
1.75	6.900	0.325	4.713	0.340	0.266	3	7	11		0.437	1.642
2.00	5.960	0.208	3.487	0.387	0.289	3	6	9		0.372	1.286
2.25	5.160	0.189	3.663	0.434	0.312	3	5	8		0.315	1.011
2.50	4.520	0.110	2.442	0.481	0.334	3	5	8		0.269	0.806
2.75	5.560	0.085	1.536	0.527	0.355	1	3	5		0.336	0.946
3.00	6.720	0.208	3.098	0.572	0.376	3	7	11		0.410	1.091
3.25	6.780	0.258	3.808	0.619	0.398	3	7	11		0.411	1.032
3.50	7.680	0.336	4.370	0.666	0.421	3	8	12		0.468	1.111
3.75	7.900	0.329	4.162	0.713	0.443	3	8	12		0.479	1.080
4.00	10.220	0.459	4.495	0.761	0.467	3	10	15		0.631	1.350
4.25	12.000	0.648	5.397	0.810	0.492	3	12	18		0.746	1.517
4.50	10.800	0.599	5.544	0.860	0.516	3	11	17		0.663	1.284
4.75	10.040	0.577	5.745	0.909	0.541	3	10	15		0.609	1.126
5.00	11.100	0.495	4.456	0.958	0.565	3	11	17		0.676	1.196
5.25	10.840	0.421	3.880	1.007	0.590	3	11	16		0.656	1.111
5.50	9.040	0.268	2.962	1.055	0.614	4	6	8		0.532	0.867
5.75	6.360	0.108	1.701	1.102	0.636	4	4	5		0.351	0.551
6.00	9.740	0.469	4.811	1.149	0.659	3	10	13		0.573	0.869
6.25	13.120	0.637	4.852	1.198	0.683	3	13	17		0.795	1.165
6.50	13.420	0.448	3.337	1.246	0.706	4	9	11		0.812	1.149
6.75	13.160	0.411	3.125	1.293	0.729	4	9	11		0.791	1.086
7.00	16.120	0.537	3.330	1.340	0.751	4	11	13		0.985	1.311
7.25	35.860	1.482	4.133	1.388	0.775	4	24	28		2.298	2.965
7.50	34.820	1.692	4.859	1.437	0.800	3	35	40		2.226	2.783
	PEACH FREEWAY CPT-4										
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Depth	q <sub>c</sub> Average	fs Average	R <sub>f</sub>	OS Average	EOS Averge	R, Zone	SPT N	SPT N1	D,	Su	s <sub>u</sub> /EOS
(Meter)	(bars)	(bars)	(%)	(bars)	(bars)	(zone #)	(blow/.3 m)	(blow/.3 m)	(%)	(bars)	(ratio)
7.75	41.900	2.076	4.955	1.486	0.824	3	42	47		2.694	3.269
8.00	44.460	2.370	5.331	1.535	0.849	3	44	48		2.862	3.371
8.25	45.780	2.494	5.448	1.585	0.873	3	46	49		2.946	3.373
8.50	42.960	2.622	6.103	1.634	0.898	3	43	45		2.755	3.068
8.75	31.400	2.582	8.223								
9.00	25.280	1.944	7.690	1.683	0.898	3	25	26	****	1.573	1.752
9.25	24.700	1.738	7.036	1.732	0.923	3	25	26		1.531	1.660
9.50	24.920	1.578	6.332	1.781	0.947	3	25	25		1.543	1.628
9.75	25.980	1.758	6.767	1.830	0.972	3	26	26		1.610	1.657
10.00	31.420	2.184	6.951	1.879	0.996	3	31	30		1.969	1.976
10.25	28.120	1.938	6.892	1.928	0.021	3	28	27		1.746	1.710
10.50	35.760	2.010	5.621	1.978	0.046	3	36	34		2.252	2.154
10.75	28.640	1.676	5.852	2.027	0.070	3	29	27		1.774	1.658
11.00	33.540	1.884	5.617	2.076	0.095	3	34	31		2.098	1.916
11.25	22.160	1.320	5.957	2.125	0.119	3	22	20		1.336	1.193
11.50	19.440	1.182	6.080	2.174	0.144	3	19	17		1.151	1.006
11.75	27.160	1.564	5.758	2.223	0.169	3	27	23		1.662	1.423
12.00	27.240	1.530	5.617	2.272	0.193	3	27	23		1.665	1.395
12.25	25.480	1.788	7.017	2.321	0.218	3	25	21		1.544	1.268
12.50	21.400	1.464	6.841	2.371	0.242	3	21	17		1.269	1.021
12.75	34.800	1.734	4.983	2.420	0.267	3	35	28		2.159	1.704
13.00	19.540	1.338	6.847	2.469	0.292	3	20	16		1.138	0.881
13.25	16.000	1.062	6.638	2.518	0.316	3	16	13		0.899	0.683
13.50	16.300	1.030	6.319	2.567	1.341	3	16	12		0.916	0.683
13.75	21.620	1.442	6.670	2.616	1.365	3	22	17		1.267	0.928
14.00	31.480	2.244	7.128	2.665	1.390	3	31	23		1.921	1.382
14.25	61.400	2.602	4.238	2.714	1.415	5	31	23		3.912	2.766
14.50	45.740	2.640	5.772	2.764	1,439	3	46	34		2.865	1.991
14.75	41.460	2.466	5.948	2.813	1.464	3	41	30		2.576	1.760
15.00	45.200	2.240	4.956	2.862	1.488	4	30	21		2.823	1.896
15.25	54.840	3.188	5.813	2.911	1.513	3	55	39		3.462	2.288

	PEACH FREEWAY CPT-4										
Depth	q <sub>c</sub>	fs Average	R <sub>r</sub>	OS Average	EOS	R, Zone	SPT N	SPT N1	D,	su	s <sub>u</sub> /EOS
(Meter)	(bars)	(bars)	(%)	(bars)	(bars)	(zone #)	(blow/.3 m)	(blow/.3 m)	(%)	(bars)	(ratio)
15.50	44.960	2.530	5.627	2.960	1.538	3	45	31		2.800	1.821
15.75	43.120	2.408	5.584	3.009	1.562	3	43	30		2.674	1.712
16.00	42.380	2.494	5.885	3.058	1.587	3	42	28		2.621	1.652
16.25	33.980	1.820	5.356	3.107	1.611	3	34	23		2.058	1.277
16.50	29.100	1.292	4.440	3.157	1.636	4	19	13		1.730	1.057
16.75	34.500	1.968	5.704	3.206	1.661	3	35	23		2.086	1.256
17.00	45.820	2.352	5.133	3.255	1.685	3	46	30		2.838	1.684
17.25	55.860	3.070	5.496	3.304	1.710	3	56	36		3.504	2.049
17.50	53.160	2.690	5.060	3.353	1.734	4	35	22		3.320	1.914
17.75	62.300	2.602	4.177	3.402	1.759	5	31	19		3.927	2.232
18.00	37.040	2.150	5.805	3.451	1.784	3	37	23		2.239	1.255
18.25	46.560	2.264	4.863	3.500	1.808	. 4	31	19		2.871	1.588
18.50	64.020	3.082	4.814	3.550	1.833	4	43	26		4.031	2.199
18.75	32.000	1.844	5.763	3.599	1.857	3	32	19		1.893	1.019
19.00	30.440	1.768	5.808	3.648	1.882	3	30	18		1.786	0.949
19.25	28.940	1.534	5.301	3.697	1.907	3	29	17		1.683	0.883
19.50	42.220	2.222	5.263	3.746	1.931	3	42	24		2.565	1.328
19.75	30.340	1.482	4.885	3.795	1:956	3	30	17		1.770	0.905
20.00	27.260	1.326	4.864	3.844	1.980	3	27	15		1.561	0.788
20.25	36.500	1.944	5.326	3.893	2.005	3	37	21		2.174	1.084
20.50	30.500	1.482	4.859	3.943	2.030	3	31	17		1.770	0.872
20.75	33.600	1.936	5.762	3.992	2.054	3	34	19		1.974	0.961
21.00	39.780	2.348	5.902	4.041	2.079	3	40	22		2.383	1.146
21.25	27.360	1.592	5.819	4.090	2.103	3	27	15		1.551	0.738
21.50	22.380	1.064	4.754	4.139	2.128	3	22	12		1.216	0.571
21.75	18.540	0.782	4.218	4.188	2.153	3	19	10		0.957	0.444
22.00	46.920	2.124	4.527	4.237	2.177	4	31	16		2.846	1.307
22.25	116.780	5.476	4.689	4.288	2.204	11	117	62			
22.50	71.180	3.778	5.308	4.341	2.232	11	71	37			
22.75	61.100	2.856	4.674	4.393	2.259	4	41	21		3.780	1.674
23.00	38.180	1.962	5.139	4.442	2.284	3	38	19		2.249	0.985

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(Meter)	(bars)	(bars)	(%)	(bars)	(bars)	(zone #)	(blow/.3 m)	(blow/.3 m)	(%)	(bars)	(ratio)
23.25	33.420	1.898	5.679	4.491	2.308	3	33	17		1.929	0.836
23.50	46.080	2.788	6.050	4.540	2.333	3	46	23		2.769	1.187
23.75	43.620	2.644	6.061	4.589	2.357	3	44	22		2.602	1.104
24.00	46.060	1.416	4.711	4.638	2.382	3	30	15		1.695	0.712
24.25	68.280	3.522	5.158	4.689	2.408	11	68	34			
24.50	51.380	3.012	5.862	4,740	2.435	3	51	26		3.109	1.277
24.75	51.620	3.144	6.091	4.790	2.460	3	52	26		3.122	1.269
25.00	39.188	1.978	5.046	4.839	2.484	3	39	20		2.290	0.922
25.25	36.660	1.674	4.566	4.888	2.509	4	24	12		2.118	0.844
25.50	51.300	2.602	5.072	4.937	2.533	4	34	17		3.091	1.220
25.75	54.840	3.222	5.875	4.986	2.558	3	55	28		3.324	1.299
26.00	60.740	2.974	4.896	5.035	2.583	4	40	20		3.714	1.438
26.25	54.660	2.224	4.069	5.084	2.607	5	27	14		3.305	1.268
26.50	52.220	2.088	3.998	5.133	2.632	5	26	13		3.139	1.193
26.75	50.380	3.148	6.249	5.183	2.656	3	50	25		3.013	1.134
27.00	48.320	1.854	3.837	5.232	2.681	5	24	12		2.873	1.071
27.25											
27.50	61.950	3.197	5.161	5.283	2.683	11	62	31			
27.75	61.100	2.856	4.674	5.334	2.710	4	41	21		3.718	1.372
28.00	0.180	1.962	5.139	5.383	2.734	3	38	19		2.186	0.800
28.25	38.420	1.898	4.582	5.432	2.759	4	28	14		2.399	0.870
28.50	41.080	2.788	5.799	5.481	2.783	3	48	24		2.840	1.020
28.75	121.620	2.644	2.174	5.529	2.807	7	41	21	58		
29.00	306.060	1.416	0.463	5.578	2.832	10	51	26	85		
29.25	394.280	3.522	0.893	5.629	2.857	9	79	40	92		
29.50	457.380	3.012	0.659	5.679	2.883	10	76	38	96		
29.75	495.620	3.144	0.634	5.730	2.909	10	83	42	98		
30.00	699.567	2.203	0.315	5.781	2.936	10	117	59			

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### F.1 INTRODUCTION

The various design methods presented in Chapter 9 of the manual will be illustrated by applying these methods to foundation design problems for the Peach Freeway Bridge over Dismal Creek. In many real design problems, additional analyses beyond those presented in these example problems would be used to complete the actual foundation design. For example, group lateral load capacity evaluations are not completed at each substructure location in these example problems.

The Peach Freeway Bridge over Dismal Creek will be a three span structure supported at North and South Abutments and interior piers, Pier 2 and Pier 3. One soil boring and one cone penetration test were performed for each substructure location. The subsurface exploration results were included in Appendix E of this manual. The cone penetration test at Pier 2, CPT-2, encountered shallow refusal and therefore, a log of CPT-2 is not included in Appendix E. The subsurface profile developed from the subsurface exploration and laboratory testing program results is presented in Figure F.1.

The "bridge division" has estimated that the maximum compression loads per substructure unit will be 12,600 kN. Each substructure location will be supported on a pile group having three rows of eight piles per row. For abutment pile groups, fewer piles are often required in the middle and rear rows as compared to the front row. The maximum design compression load on any pile will be 890 kN. Lateral loads will range from 600 kN at the interior piers to 900 kN at the abutments with a maximum lateral load per pile of 40 kN. The maximum uplift load on a pile group will be 1,800 kN with a maximum uplift load per pile of 100 kN. Maximum pile group settlements less than 25 mm are required under the compression loads and horizontal deflections of up to 10 mm are permissible under lateral loading. The pile location plan for each substructure location is presented in Figure F.2.

Initial design estimates and local availability of materials indicate square, precast, prestressed concrete piles will probably be the most cost effective foundation type. This pile type should work well at the abutments because they will develop significant load support through both shaft and toe resistance. However, at the interior piers, the driveability of these displacement piles through the extremely dense sand and gravel layer will need to be carefully evaluated. A low displacement pile may be necessary at the interior piers to meet pile penetration requirements.



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Figure F.2 Pile Foundation Plan

Section F.2 of this Appendix presents static capacity calculations using the applicable methods at each substructure location. Pile group settlement computations for each substructure location are provided in Section F.3. Section F.4 presents lateral pile capacity analyses performed for the North Abutment using both the Brom's Method and the COM624P program. Lateral capacity analysis for Pier 2, Pier 3 and the South Abutment using the COM624P program are also presented. Group uplift computation at each substructure location following AASHTO code are presented in Section F.5. Last, special design considerations of negative shaft resistance and lateral squeeze are presented for the South Abutment in Sections F.6 and F.7, respectively.

### F.2 STATIC AXIAL PILE CAPACITY CALCULATIONS

The design load per pile group will be 12,600 kN. The bridge office has determined that the maximum axial design load to be imposed on a single pile will be 890 kN. (At the abutments, the design load on piles in the front row will be 890 kN, whereas the middle and rear rows of piles will have smaller design loads). Construction control will be based on static load test results and a factor of safety of 2.0 will be used on the design load. Therefore, static capacity calculations will be used to evaluate the required pile lengths for a 1780 kN ultimate pile capacity at each substructure location.

Several static axial capacity calculations and computer solutions will be used to determine the required pile length at each substructure unit (*i.e.*, North Abutment, Pier 2, Pier 3, and South Abutment). At Pier 2 location, the effect of scour on the static axial capacity will also be calculated. At all substructure location, pile group capacity will be evaluated. At the South Abutment location, the ultimate pile group capacity against block failure will be calculated and compared with the ultimate pile group capacity from the sum of the ultimate capacities of the individual piles.

The static capacity calculations for each substructure location are presented in the following sections.

## F.2.1 North Abutment - Soil Boring S-1 (Cohesionless Soil)

## F.2.1.1 Static Axial Pile Capacity Calculations by Meyerhof SPT Method

For the soil profile interpreted from Soil Boring S-1 shown in Figure F.3, perform a Meyerhof method pile capacity calculation for an embedded length of 11.5 meters. The pile top is 3 meters below the existing ground surface. The step-by-step method outlined in Section 9.7.1.1a should be followed.





#### STEP 1 Correct SPT field N values for overburden pressure.

Effective overburden pressures,  $p_o$ , are needed to correct SPT field N values. The method for calculating the effective overburden pressure is explained in Section 9.4. First, the soil profile should be delineated into layers based on soil type and density indicated by the corrected SPT N' value. However, since the corrected SPT N' value has yet to be calculated, the SPT field N' value should be used to estimate soil unit weights. Re-adjust the soil unit weight (if necessary) after the corrected SPT N' value has been obtained. The empirical correlation between soil unit weight and corrected SPT N' value is presented in Table 4-5. The effective overburden pressure diagram is presented below in Figure F.4.



Figure F.4 Effective Overburden Pressure Diagram - North Abutment

## STEP 1 (continued)

Use correction factors from Figure 4.4 (Chapter 4) to obtain corrected SPT N' values.

Depth	p₀	Field	Correction	Corrected SPT N'
		SPT N value	Factor	(Field SPT N x
(m)	(kPa)			Correction Factor)
0.8	13.2	4	1.65	.7
2.0	33.0	4	1.35	5
3.5	57.8	6	1.17	7
5.0	72.7	6	1.12	7
6.5	82.8	8	1.08	9
8.0	93.9	13	1.02	13
9.5	105.6	15	0.98	15
11.0	117.3	11	0.95	10
12.5	129.0	15	0.91	14
14.0	140.7	18	0.87	16
15.5	155.4	40	0.85	34
17.0	170.1	39	0.82	32
18.5	184.8	41	0.80	33
20.0	199.5	43	0.78	34
21.5	214.2	41	0.74	30
23.0	228.9	44	0.72	32
24.5	243.6	45	0.70	32
26.0	258.3	48	0.68	33
27.5	273.0	42	0.67	28
29.0	287.7	44	0.64	28
30.5	302.4	49	0.63	31

STEP 2 Compute the average corrected SPT N' value,  $\overline{N}$ ', for each soil layer.

Along the pile embedded length, the soil profile is delineated into three layers. Layer 1 is loose silty fine sand that is 4 meters thick, layer 2 is medium dense silty fine sand that is 7 meters thick, and layer 3 is dense sand and gravel that is 0.5 meter thick.

 $\overline{N}_{1}^{\prime} = \frac{7 + 7 + 9}{3} = 8$ (Layer 1 - depth 3 to 7 m; Loose silty fine sand)  $\overline{N}_{2}^{\prime} = \frac{13 + 15 + 10 + 14 + 16}{5} = 14$ (Layer 2 - depth 7 to 14 m; Medium dense silty fine sand)  $\overline{N}_{3}^{\prime} = 34$ (Layer 3 - depth 14 to 14.5 m; Dense sand and gravel)

STEP 3 Compute the unit shaft resistance, f<sub>s</sub> (kPa), for each layer using the equation for driven displacement piles:

 $f_{s} = 2\overline{N}' \le 100 \text{ kPa}$ Layer 1:  $f_{s-1} = 2(8) = 16 \text{ kPa}$ Layer 2:  $f_{s-2} = 2(14) = 28 \text{ kPa}$ Layer 3:  $f_{s-3} = 2(34) = 68 \text{ kPa}$ 

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STEP 4 Compute the ultimate shaft resistance, R<sub>s</sub> (kN).

$$\begin{array}{rcl} {\sf R}_{s} & = {\sf f}_{s} \,{\sf A}_{s} \\ \mbox{Layer 1:} & {\sf R}_{s1} & = 16 \,{\sf kPa}\,\,(\,4\,)(\,0.356\,\,m\,)(\,4\,\,m\,) & = \,91 \,{\sf kN} \\ \mbox{Layer 2:} & {\sf R}_{s2} & = \,28 \,{\sf kPa}\,\,(\,4\,)(\,0.356\,\,m\,)(\,7\,\,m\,) & = \,279 \,{\sf kN} \\ \mbox{Layer 3:} & {\sf R}_{s3} & = \,68 \,{\sf kPa}\,\,(\,4\,)(\,0.356\,\,m\,)(\,0.5\,\,m\,) & = \,48 \,{\sf kN} \\ \mbox{Total:} & {\sf R}_{s} & = \,{\sf R}_{s1}\,\,+\,\,{\sf R}_{s2}\,\,+\,{\sf R}_{s3} & = \,91 \,{\sf kN}\,\,+\,\,279 \,{\sf kN}\,\,+\,\,48 \,{\sf kN} \\ & = \,418 \,{\sf kN} \end{array}$$

STEP 5 Compute the average corrected SPT N' values,  $\overline{N}'_{O}$  and  $\overline{N}'_{B}$ , near pile toe.

The soil near the pile toe is a dense sand and gravel. Since the pile toe is situated near the interface of a weaker stratum overlying the bearing stratum, the average corrected SPT N' value for both the bearing stratum,  $\overline{N'}_{B}$ , and the overlying stratum,  $\overline{N'}_{O}$ , need to be calculated.

Average corrected SPT N' value for the overlying stratum:

$$\overline{N'}_{0} = \frac{13 + 15 + 10 + 14 + 16}{5} = 14$$

Average corrected SPT N' value for the bearing stratum:

STEP 6 Compute the unit toe resistance, q<sub>t</sub> (kPa).

Since a weaker stratum overlies the bearing stratum:

$$q_{t} = 400 \overline{N}'_{O} + \frac{(40\overline{N}'_{B} - 40\overline{N}'_{O}) D_{B}}{b} \le 400\overline{N}'_{B}$$
  
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STEP 6 (continued)

$$= 400 (14) + \frac{\{40 (34) - 40 (14)\} (0.5)}{0.356} \le 400 (34)$$

= 6,724  $\leq$  13,600  $\rightarrow$  so q<sub>t</sub> = 6,724 kPa

STEP 7 Compute the ultimate toe resistance, R<sub>t</sub> (kN).

$$R_t = q_t A_t = 6,724 \text{ kPa} (0.356 \text{ m})(0.356 \text{ m})$$

= 854 kN

STEP 8 Compute the ultimate pile capacity, Q<sub>u</sub> (kN).

$$Q_u = R_s + R_t$$

= 418 kN + 854 kN

$$=$$
 1,272 kN

- **Note:** The ultimate capacity according to the Meyerhof method is less than the required 1780 kN ultimate capacity. The Meyerhof method would require a pile penetration depth of 13 meters for a 1,780 kN capacity.
- STEP 9 Compute allowable design load,  $Q_a$  (kN).

$$Q_a = \frac{Q_u}{Factor of Safety} = \frac{1,272 \text{ kN}}{Factor of Safety}$$

**Note:** Factor of Safety should be selected based on the construction control method to be specified. Recommended factors of safety are described in Section 9.6.

#### F.2.1.2 Static Axial Pile Capacity Calculations by Nordlund Method

For the soil profile interpreted from Soil Boring S-1 as shown in Figure F.3. Perform a Nordlund method pile capacity calculation for an embedded length of 11.5 meters. Use the step-by-step method outlined in Section 9.7.1.1b.

STEP 1 Delineate the soil profile into layers and determine the  $\phi$  angle for each layer.

- a. Construct  $p_o$  diagram using procedure described in Section 9.4. This is completed in Figure F.4.
- b. Correct SPT field N values for overburden pressure using Figure 4.4 from Chapter 4 and obtain corrected SPT N' values. For Soil Boring S-1, this has been done in the previous example (see Section F.2.1.1, Step 1).
- c. Determine the  $\phi$  angle for each layer from laboratory tests or in-situ data.

Since the  $\phi$  angle is not provided by either laboratory or in-situ data, it should be determined using the average corrected SPT N' value,  $\overline{N}$ ', as calculated below.

d. In the absence of laboratory or in-situ test data, determine the average corrected SPT N' value N' for each soil layer and estimate to and a from Table:4-5 iniiChapter 4.

As the example in Section F.2.1.1, the soil profile along the pile embedded length is delineated into three layers of 4.0, 7.0, and 0.5 meters thick. The average corrected SPT N' value for each soil layer is as follow.

Layer 1:	$\overline{N}_1' = 8$	(Layer 1 - depth 3 to 7 m; Loose silty fine sand)
Layer 2:	$\overline{N}_2$ = 14	(Layer 2 - depth 7 to 14 m; Medium dense silty fine sand)
Layer 3:	$\overline{N}_{3}$ = 34	(Layer 3 - depth 14 to 14.5 m; Dense sand and gravel)

STEP 1 (continued)

Use the average corrected SPT N' value for each soil layer to estimate  $\phi$  angle from Table 4-5 in Chapter 4.

Layer 1: $\phi_1 = 29^\circ$ for $\overline{N}_1' = 8$ Layer 2: $\phi_2 = 31^\circ$ for $\overline{N}_2' = 14$ Layer 3: $\phi_3 = 36^\circ$ for $\overline{N}_3' = 34$ 

- STEP 2 Determine  $\delta$ , the friction angle between pile and soil based on displaced soil volume, V, and the soil friction angle,  $\phi$ .
  - a. Compute the volume of soil displaced per unit length of pile, V. Since this is a uniform cross section ( $\omega = 0^{\circ}$ ) pile,

 $V = (0.356 \text{ m}) (0.356 \text{ m}) (1.0 \text{ m/m}) = 0.127 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$ 

For a non-uniform pile cross section ( $\omega \neq 0^{\circ}$ ), the pile should be divided into sections and the volume for each section should be calculated.

b. Enter Figure 9.10 with V and determine  $\delta/\phi$  ratio for pile type.

For a precast, prestressed concrete pile with V =  $0.127 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$ ,

 $\delta/\phi = 0.84$ 

c. Calculate  $\delta$  from  $\delta/\phi$  ratio.

Layer 1:  $\delta_1 = 0.84 (29^\circ) = 24.4^\circ$ 

- Layer 2:  $\delta_2 = 0.84 (31^\circ) = 26.0^\circ$
- Layer 3:  $\delta_3 = 0.84 (36^\circ) = 30.2^\circ$

- STEP 3 Determine the coefficient of lateral earth pressure,  $K_{\delta}$ , for each  $\phi$  angle.
  - a. Determine  $K_{\delta}$  for  $\phi$  angle based on displaced volume, V, and pile taper angle,  $\omega$ , using either Figure 9.11, 9.12, 9.13, or 9.14 and the appropriate procedure described in Step 3b, 3c, 3d, or 3e.

The pile taper angle,  $\omega$ , = 0°.

For Layer 1:

 $\phi_1 = 29^\circ$  and  $V = 0.127 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$ , therefore use Step 3e.

First, use linear interpolation to determine  $K_{\delta}$  for the required  $\phi$  angle of 29° at the given displaced volume curves of 0.093 and 0.93 m<sup>3</sup>/m.

For  $V = 0.093 \ m^3/m$ :

$\phi = 25^{\circ}$	$K_{\delta} = 0.85$	(from Figure 9.11)
$\phi = 29^{\circ}$	$K_{\delta} =$	(using linear interpolation)
$\phi = 30^{\circ}$	$K_{\delta} = 1.15$	(from Figure 9.12)

Using linear interpolation to determine  $K_{\delta}$  for  $\phi = 29^{\circ}$ :

$$K_{\delta} = 0.85 + \frac{(29 - 25)}{(30 - 25)} (1.15 - 0.85)$$

= 1.09

For V = 0.93 m<sup>3</sup>/m:  $\phi = 25^{\circ}$  K<sub> $\delta$ </sub> = 1.00 (from Figure 9.11)  $\phi = 29^{\circ}$  K<sub> $\delta$ </sub> = (using linear interpolation)  $\phi = 30^{\circ}$  K<sub> $\delta$ </sub> = 1.45 (from Figure 9.12)

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Using linear interpolation to determine  $K_{\delta}$  for  $\phi = 29^{\circ}$ :

$$K_{\delta} = 1.0 + \frac{(29 - 25)}{(30 - 25)} (1.45 - 1.0)$$

Then use log linear interpolation to determine  $K_{\delta}$  for  $\phi$  = 29° and V = 0.127 m³/m.

$$V = 0.093 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$$
  $K_{\delta} = 1.09$   
 $V = 0.127 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$   $K_{\delta} =$  (using log linear interpolation)  
 $V = 0.93 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$   $K_{\delta} = 1.36$ 

Log linear interpolation for V =  $0.127 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$ :

$$K_{\delta 1} = 1.09 + \frac{\log (0.127) - \log (0.093)}{\log (0.93) - \log (0.093)} (1.36 - 1.09)$$

Table 9-2b can be used to check the above calculations. From Table 9-2b, for  $\phi = 29^{\circ}$ :

$$V = 0.093 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$$
  $K_{\delta} = 1.09$  (from Table 9-2b)  
 $V = 0.127 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$   $K_{\delta} = 1.13$  (from log linear interpolation)  
 $V = 0.186 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$   $K_{\delta} = 1.17$  (from Table 9-2b)

For Layer 2:

 $\phi_2 = 31^\circ$  and V = 0.127 m<sup>3</sup>/m, therefore use Step 3e.

First, use linear interpolation to determine  $K_{\delta}$  for the required  $\phi$  angle of 31° at the given displaced volume curves of 0.093 and 0.93 m<sup>3</sup>/m.

For V = 0.093 m<sup>3</sup>/m:  

$$\phi = 30^{\circ}$$
 K <sub>$\delta$</sub>  = 1.15 (from Figure 9.12)  
 $\phi = 31^{\circ}$  K <sub>$\delta$</sub>  = (using linear interpolation)  
 $\phi = 35^{\circ}$  K <sub>$\delta$</sub>  = 1.75 (from Figure 9.13)

Using linear interpolation to determine  $K_{\delta}$  for  $\phi = 31^{\circ}$ :

$$K_{\delta} = 1.15 + \frac{(31 - 30)}{(35 - 30)} (1.75 - 1.15)$$

For  $V = 0.93 \ m^3/m$ :

$$\begin{split} \phi &= 30^{\circ} & K_{\delta} &= 1.45 \quad (\text{from Figure 9.12}) \\ \phi &= 31^{\circ} & K_{\delta} &= \quad (\text{using linear interpolation}) \\ \phi &= 35^{\circ} & K_{\delta} &= 2.35 \quad (\text{from Figure 9.13}) \end{split}$$

Using linear interpolation to determine  $K_{\delta}$  for  $\phi = 31^{\circ}$ :

$$K_{\delta} = 1.45 + \frac{(31 - 30)}{(35 - 30)} (2.35 - 1.45)$$

= 1.63

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#### STEP 3 (continued)

Then use log linear interpolation to determine  $K_{\delta}$  for  $\phi$  = 31° and V = 0.127 m³/m.

$$\begin{split} V &= 0.093 \ m^3/m & K_{\delta} = 1.27 \\ V &= 0.127 \ m^3/m & K_{\delta} = & (using log linear interpolation) \\ V &= 0.93 \ m^3/m & K_{\delta} = 1.63 \end{split}$$

Log linear interpolation for V =  $0.127 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$ :

$$K_{\delta 2} = 1.27 + \frac{\log (0.127) - \log (0.093)}{\log (0.93) - \log (0.093)} (1.63 - 1.27)$$
$$= 1.32$$

Table 9-2b can be used to check the above calculations. From Table 9-2b, for  $\phi = 31^{\circ}$ :

$$\begin{split} V &= 0.093 \ m^3/m & K_{\delta} = 1.27 \quad (\text{from Table 9-2b}) \\ V &= 0.127 \ m^3/m & K_{\delta} = 1.32 \quad (\text{from log linear interpolation}) \\ V &= 0.186 \ m^3/m & K_{\delta} = 1.38 \quad (\text{from Table 9-2b}) \end{split}$$

STEP 3 (continued)

For Layer 3:

 $\phi_3 = 36^\circ$  and V = 0.127 m<sup>3</sup>/m, therefore use Step 3e.

First, use linear interpolation to determine  $K_{\delta}$  for the required  $\phi$  angle of 36° at the given displaced volume curves of 0.093 and 0.93 m<sup>3</sup>/m.

For V = 0.093 m<sup>3</sup>/m:  

$$\phi = 35^{\circ}$$
 K <sub>$\delta$</sub>  = 1.75 (from Figure 9.13)  
 $\phi = 36^{\circ}$  K <sub>$\delta$</sub>  = (using linear interpolation)  
 $\phi = 40^{\circ}$  K <sub>$\delta$</sub>  = 3.00 (from Figure 9.14)

Using linear interpolation to determine  $K_{\delta}$  for  $\phi$  = 36°:

$$K_{\delta} = 1.75 + \frac{(36 - 35)}{(40 - 35)} (3.00 - 1.75)$$

For  $V = 0.93 \ m^3/m$ :

$$\begin{split} \phi &= 35^{\circ} & \mathsf{K}_{\delta} &= 2.35 \quad (\text{from Figure 9.13}) \\ \phi &= 36^{\circ} & \mathsf{K}_{\delta} &= \quad (\text{using linear interpolation}) \\ \phi &= 40^{\circ} & \mathsf{K}_{\delta} &= 4.30 \quad (\text{from Figure 9.14}) \end{split}$$

Using linear interpolation to determine  $K_{\delta}$  for  $\phi = 36^{\circ}$ :

$$K_{\delta} = 2.35 + \frac{(36 - 35)}{(40 - 35)} (4.30 - 2.35)$$

= 2.74

STEP 3 (continued)

Then use log linear interpolation to determine  $K_{\delta}$  for  $\phi$  = 36° and V = 0.127 m³/m.

$$V = 0.093 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$$
  $K_{\delta} = 2.00$   
 $V = 0.127 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$   $K_{\delta} =$  (using log linear interpolation)  
 $V = 0.93 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$   $K_{\delta} = 2.74$ 

Log linear interpolation for V =  $0.127 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$ :

$$K_{\delta 3} = 2.00 + \frac{\log (0.127) - \log (0.093)}{\log (0.93) - \log (0.093)} (2.74 - 2.00)$$
$$= 2.10$$

Table 9-2b can be used to check the above calculations. From Table 9-2b, for  $\phi = 36^{\circ}$ :

V = 0.093 m <sup>3</sup> /m	$K_{\delta} = 2.00$	(from Table 9-2b)
$V = 0.127 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$	K <sub>δ</sub> = 2.10	(from log linear interpolation)
V = 0.186 m³/m	K <sub>δ</sub> = 2.22	(from Table 9-2b)

STEP 4 Determine the correction factor,  $C_{F}$ , to be applied to  $K_{\delta}$  if  $\delta \neq \phi$ .

Use Figure 9.15 to determine the correction factor for each K<sub> $\delta$ </sub>. Enter figure with  $\phi$  angle and  $\delta/\phi$ =0.84 to determine C<sub>F</sub>.

Layer 1:	For $\phi_1 = 29^\circ$	$\rightarrow$	$C_{F1} = 0.96$
Layer 2:	For $\phi_2 = 31^\circ$		$C_{F2} = 0.94$
Layer 3:	For $\phi_3 = 36^\circ$	$\rightarrow$	$C_{F3} = 0.93$

STEP 5 Compute the average effective overburden pressure at the midpoint of each soil layer,  $p_d$  (kPa). (Note: a limiting value is not applied to  $p_d$ ).

The effective overburden pressure at the midpoint of each soil layer is equal to the average effective overburden pressure of that layer. The effective overburden pressure versus depth for the North Abutment has been computed and tabulated in the previous example (see Section F.2.1.1, Step 1). The effective overburden pressure diagram for the North Abutment is presented in Figure F.4. Since the effective overburden pressure is non linear in layer 1, this layer should be split at the water table location into layer 1a and layer 1b. The effective overburden pressure is then calculated at the midpoint of each of these layers.

Layer 1a:	P <sub>d1a</sub>	= 57.8 kPa	(midpoint of layer 1a - at depth of 3.5 m)
Layer 1b:	P <sub>d1b</sub>	= 76.1 kPa	(midpoint of layer 1b - at depth of 5.5 m)
Layer 2:	p <sub>d2</sub>	= 113.4 kPa	(midpoint of layer 2 - at depth of 10.5 m)
Layer 3:	p <sub>d3</sub>	= 143.1 kPa	(midpoint of layer 3 - at depth of 14.25 m)

STEP 6 Compute the shaft resistance in each soil layer. Sum the shaft resistance from each soil layer to obtain the ultimate shaft resistance,  $R_s$  (kN).

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$$R_{s} = K_{\delta} C_{F} p_{d} \sin \delta C_{d} D \qquad (for uniform pile cross section)$$
where :  $C_{d} = (4) (0.356 \text{ m}) = 1.424 \text{ m}$ 
Layer 1a:  $R_{s1a} = 1.13 (0.96) (57.8 \text{ kPa}) (\sin 24.4^{\circ}) (1.424 \text{ m}) (1 \text{ m})$ 

$$= 37 \text{ kN}$$
Layer 1b:  $R_{s1b} = 1.13 (0.96) (76.1 \text{ kPa}) (\sin 24.4^{\circ}) (1.424 \text{ m}) (3 \text{ m})$ 

$$= 146 \text{ kN}$$
Layer 2:  $R_{s2} = 1.32 (0.94) (113.4 \text{ kPa}) (\sin 26.0^{\circ}) (1.424 \text{ m}) (7 \text{ m})$ 

$$= 615 \text{ kN}$$

Layer 3:  $R_{s3} = 2.10 (0.93) (143.2 \text{ kPa}) (\sin 30.2^{\circ}) (1.424 \text{ m}) (0.5 \text{ m})$ = 100 kN

Total: 
$$R_s = R_{s1a} + R_{s1b} + R_{s2} + R_{s3}$$
  
= 37 kN + 146 kN + 615 kN + 100 kN  
= 898 kN

STEP 7 Determine the  $\alpha_t$  coefficient and the bearing capacity factor, N'<sub>q</sub>, from the  $\phi$  angle near the pile toe.

Since the  $\phi$  angle is not provided by either laboratory tests or in-situ data, the  $\phi$  angle can be estimated from Table 4-5 using the average corrected SPT N' value over the zone from the pile toe to 3 diameter below the pile toe (1.065 meters). The soil near the pile toe is a dense sand and gravel.

$$\overline{N}'_{toe} = 34 \qquad \rightarrow \qquad \phi_{toe} = 36^{\circ}$$

a. Enter Figure 9.16(a) with  $\phi$  angle near pile toe to determine  $\alpha_t$  coefficient based on pile length to diameter ratio.

(D/b) = (11.5 m) / (0.356 m) = 32.3

For  $\phi_{toe} = 36^{\circ}$  and (D/b) = 32.3  $\rightarrow \alpha_t = 0.68$ 

b. Enter Figure 9.16(b) with  $\phi$  angle near pile toe to determine N'<sub>a</sub>.

For 
$$\phi_{toe} = 36^{\circ} \rightarrow N'_a = 75$$

STEP<sub>-8</sub> Compute the effective overburden pressure at the pile toe, p, (kPa).

The effective overburden pressure at the pile toe should be limited to a maximum of 150 kPa.

The effective overburden pressure at the pile toe,  $p_t$ , has been computed in the previous example (Section F.2.1.1, Step 1):

$$p_t = 145.6 \text{ kPa} < 150 \text{ kPa} \rightarrow \text{OK}$$

STEP 9 Compute the ultimate toe resistance,  $R_t$  (kN).

a. 
$$R_t = \alpha_t N_q' A_t p_t$$
  
= 0.68 (75) (0.356 m)(0.356 m) (145.6 kPa)  
= 943 kN

b. limiting  $R_t = q_L A_t$ 

Using the estimated  $\phi = 36^{\circ}$  and Figure 9.17, the limiting unit toe resistance is:

 $q_{L} = 7,400 \text{ kPa}$ 

Therefore,

 $R_t = 7,400 \text{ kPa} (0.356 \text{ m})(0.356 \text{ m}) = 940 \text{ kN}$ 

c. Use lesser of the two R<sub>t</sub> values obtained in steps a and b which is:

 $R_t = 940 \text{ kN}$ 

STEP 10 Compute the ultimate pile capacity, Q<sub>u</sub> (kN).

$$Q_u = R_s + R_t$$

= 898 kN + 940 kN = 1,838 kN

STEP 11 Compute the allowable design load,  ${\rm Q}_{\rm a}$  (kN).

$$Q_a = \frac{Q_u}{Factor of Safety} = \frac{1,838 \text{ kN}}{Factor of Safety}$$

**Note:** Factor of Safety should be selected based on the construction control method to be specified. Recommended factors of safety are described in Section 9.6.

#### F.2.1.3 Static Axial Pile Capacity Calculations by Effective Stress Method

For the soil profile interpreted from Soil Boring S-1 as shown in Figure F.3. Perform an Effective Stress method pile capacity calculation for an embedded length of 11.5 meters. Use the step-by-step method outlined in Section 9.7.1.3.

- STEP 1 Delineate the soil profile into layers and determine  $\phi'$  angle for each layer.
  - a. Use the procedure described in Section 9.4 to construct a  $p_o$  diagram.

For Soil Boring S-1, the  $p_o$  diagram has been constructed in Section F.2.1.1 - Step 1 and also presented in Figure F.4.

b. Divide the soil profile throughout the pile penetration depth into layers and determine the effective overburden pressure, p<sub>o</sub>, at the midpoint of each layer.

As the example in Section F.2.1.1, the soil profile along the pile embedded length is delineated into three layers of 4.0, 7.0, and 0.5 meter thick. Since the effective overburden pressure is non linear in layer 1, this layer should be split at the water table location into layer 1a and 1b. The average effective overburden pressure of each layer is equal to the effective overburden pressure at the midpoint of that layer, as follows.

Layer 1a: p <sub>o1a</sub>	= 57.8 kPa	(midpoint of layer 1a - at depth of 3.5 m)
Layer 1b: p <sub>o1b</sub>	= 76.1 kPa	(midpoint of layer 1b - at depth of 5.5 m)
Layer 2: p <sub>o2</sub>	= 113.4 kPa	(midpoint of layer 2 - at depth of 10.5 m)
Layer 3: p <sub>o3</sub>	= 143.1 kPa	(midpoint of layer 3 - at depth of 14.25 m)

c. Determine the  $\phi$ ' angle for each soil layer from laboratory or in-situ test data.

Since the  $\phi$ ' angle is not provided by either laboratory or in-situ test data, the average corrected SPT N' value will be used to estimate the  $\phi$ ' angle.

STEP 1 (continued)

d. In the absence of laboratory or in-situ test data for cohesionless soil layers, determine the average corrected SPT N' value for each soil layer and estimate the  $\phi$ ' angle from Table 4-5 in Chapter 4.

As in the previous example (Section F.2.1.1), the average corrected SPT N' value and the soil type for each soil layer is as follows.

Layer 1:	N <sub>1</sub> ' = 8	(Layer 1 - depth 3 to 7 m; Loose silty fine sand)
Layer 2:	N <sub>2</sub> ' = 14	(Layer 2 - depth 7 to 14 m; Medium dense silty fine sand)
Layer 3:	₩ <sub>3</sub> ' = 34	(Layer 3 - depth 14 to 14.5 m; Dense sand and gravel)

Use the average corrected SPT N' value for each soil layer to estimate  $\phi$ ' angle from Table 4-5 in Chapter 4.

Layer 1:  $\phi_1' = 29^\circ$  for  $\overline{N}_1' = 8$ Layer 2:  $\phi_2' = 31^\circ$  for  $\overline{N}_2' = 14$ Layer 3:  $\phi_3' = 36^\circ$  for  $\overline{N}_3' = 34$ 

STEP 2 Select the  $\beta$  coefficient for each soil layer.

a. Use local experience to select  $\beta$  coefficient for each layer.

Assume no local experience.

- STEP 2 (continued)
  - b. In the absence of local experience, use Table 9-4 or Figure 9.20 to estimate  $\beta$  coefficient from  $\phi$ ' angle for each layer.

Use the soil type, the estimated  $\phi$ ' angle, and Table 9-4 or Figure 9-20 to estimate the  $\beta$  coefficient for each layer.

Layer 1:	$\beta_{1} = 0.30$	(For loose silty fine sand with $\phi_1$ = 29°)
Layer 2:	$\beta_2 = 0.33$	(For medium dense silty fine sand with $\phi_2'$ = 31°)
Layer 3:	$\beta_3 = 0.40$	(For dense sand and gravel with $\phi_3$ = 36°)

STEP 3 For each soil layer compute the unit shaft resistance,  $f_s$  (kPa).

STEP 4 Compute the shaft resistance in each soil layer and the ultimate shaft resistance,  $R_s$  (kN), from the sum of the shaft resistance from each soil layer.

 $R_s = f_s A_s$ 

where  $A_s =$  Pile-soil surface area from pile perimeter and length

Layer 1a:  $R_{s1a} = 17.34 (4) (0.356 m) (1 m) = 25 kN$ Layer 1b:  $R_{s1b} = 22.83 (4) (0.356 m) (3 m) = 98 kN$  STEP 4 (continued)

Layer 2:  $R_{s2} = 37.42 (4) (0.356 \text{ m}) (7 \text{ m}) = 373 \text{ kN}$ Layer 3:  $R_{s3} = 57.24 (4) (0.356 \text{ m}) (0.5 \text{ m}) = 41 \text{ kN}$ Total:  $R_s = R_{s1a} + R_{s1b} + R_{s2} + R_{s3}$  = 25 kN + 98 kN + 373 kN + 41 kN= 537 kN

STEP 5 Compute the unit toe resistance, q, (kPa).

 $q_t = N_t p_t$ 

a. Use local experience to select N<sub>t</sub> coefficient.

Assume no local experience.

b. In the absence of local experience, estimate N<sub>t</sub> coefficient from Table 9-4 or Figure 9.21 based on  $\phi$ ' angle.

Table 9-4 or Figure 9.21 are a function of soil type and the  $\phi$ ' angle. The soil type for each layer can be obtained from the soil boring. The  $\phi$ ' angle for each layer can be obtained from laboratory tests or in-situ data. In the absence of either laboratory or in-situ test data, the  $\phi$ ' angle should be estimated from Table 4-5 in Chapter 4 using the average corrected SPT N' value,  $\overline{N}$ ', over the zone from the pile toe to 3 diameter below the pile toe (1.065 meters). The soil near the pile toe is a dense sand and gravel.

$$\overline{N}'_{toe} = 34 \qquad \rightarrow \qquad \phi'_{toe} = 36^{\circ}$$

Use the soil type, the estimated  $\phi$ ' angle, and Table 9-4 or Figure 9-21 to estimate the N, coefficient.

$$N_t = 70$$
 (For dense sand and gravel with  $\phi'_{toe} = 36^\circ$ )

c. Calculate the effective overburden pressure at the pile toe, pt.

The effective overburden pressure at the pile toe,  $p_t$ , has been computed in the previous example (Section F.2.1.1, Step 1):

 $p_{t} = 145.6 \text{ kPa}$ 

The unit toe resistance, q<sub>t</sub> is:

STEP 6 Compute the ultimate toe resistance, R<sub>t</sub> (kN).

 $R_t = q_t A_t$ = 10,192 (0.356 m) (0.356 m) = 1,294 kN

STEP 7 Compute the ultimate pile capacity, Q<sub>u</sub> (kN).

 $Q_u = R_s + R_t$ = 537 kN + 1,294 kN = 1,831 kN

STEP 8 Compute the allowable design load, Q<sub>a</sub> (kN).

 $Q_a = \frac{Q_u}{Factor of Safety} = \frac{1,831 \text{ kN}}{Factor of Safety}$ 

Note: Factor of Safety should be selected based on the construction control method to be specified. Recommended factors of safety are described in Section 9.6.

F.2.1.4	Static Axial Pile	Capacity	/ Calculations b	y SPILE	Computer	Program
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			In SI Units	s: To	tal Side Friction	n .	•	944	k١
				Ultimat	e Static Pile Ca	apacity	:	482.18	
				Limiting	g End Bearing	Resistance	:	275.63	
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(psf)	,	-nyio		(ft*ft)	Nq			(Kips)	
Effective Stress a	t I	nternal Friction	SPT Value	Pile End Area	Bea Cap Fac	aring Dacity Itor		End Bearing Resistance	
			POINT	RESISTANCE C	ONTRIBUTION				
					Total Si	de Friction	:	212.20	
2 3 4	Cohesionles Cohesionles Cohesionles	33 35 35 35 35	  			24.20 26.09 31.41		33.09 143.46 27.58	
1	Cohesionle	\$\$	(psf)			Angle		(Kips) 8 07	
Layer	Soil Type		Undrained Shea Strenath	ar Adhesic	n Pile Taper	Sliding Friction		Skin Resistance	
3 4	Cohesionles Cohesionles	S S	22.96 1.64	2434.32 3055.06	31.00* 37.31*	13.33* 34.36*		4.67 4.67	
1 2	Cohesionles Cohesionles	s s	3.28 9.85	1205.40 1620.63	28.82* 28.29*	6.90* 7.36*		4.67 4.67	
Layer	Soil Type		Thickness (ft)	Effective Stress (psf)	Internal Friction Angle	N-SPT		Pile Perimeter (ft)	
			SKIN	FRICTION CON	ITRIBUTION				
Depth of Depth to Width of Type of F	Top of Pile Water Table pile Pile	= 9 = 13 = 0 = Pre	84 ft. .10 ft. .00 in. cast Concrete I	Pile	length	= 37.73	ft.		:
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## F.2.1.5 Static Axial Pile Capacity Calculations by LPC CPT Method - Computer Program

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Peach Freeway CPT-1 at North Abutment -- 356 mm-square PCPS Concrete Pile

Installation Method: Depth to Water Table: 9 - Driven Prefabricated Piles (Concrete)

4.0 meter

Pile No.	Toe Area	Perimeter	
	(m²)	(m)	
1	0.127	1.424	

Depth to Bottom of Layer	Soil Type
(m)	
14.021	5
30.785	7

Depth	Cone Tip Resistance
(m)	(kPa)
0.0	3,926.20
5.0	3,926.20
10.0	3,399.48
11.5	3,591.00
13.0	5,171.04
14.0	5,075.28
15.0	13,071.24
16.0	15,369.48
17.0	20,588.40
18.0	23,078.16
20.0	19,199.88
23.0	17,188.92
24.0	24,466.68
27.0	18,050.80
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Depth	Unit Friction	Toe Bearing	Shaft Resistance	Toe Resistance	Ultimate Capacity
(m)	(kPa)	(kPa)	(kN)	(kN)	(kN)
0.00	60.66	2,355.70	0.0	298.0	298.0
5.00	36.96	1,474.70	347.4	186.4	533.8
10.00	17.05	1,292.76	539.5	163.7	703.2
11.50	35.96	1,484.28	596.0	187.7	783.7
13.00	40.75	2,312.60	678.3	292.2	970.6
14.00	40.46	3,413.84	735.7	431.5	1,167.2
15.00	62.72	4,677.88	824.7	591.1	1,415.8
16.00	63.58	6,171.73	914.5	780.6	1,695.1
17.00	65.60	7,340.00	1,006.1	928.3	1,934.4
18.00	66.55	7,986.38	1,099.1	1,010.1	2,109.2
20.00	65.07	7,445.34	1,287.7	941.6	2,229.3
23.00	64.30	7,411.82	1,563.5	936.7	2,500.2
24.00	67.08	8,158.75	1,657.3	1,031.5	2,688.8
27.00	64.64	6,846.84	1,938.0	866.0	2,804.0

Note: Depth is referenced from the original ground surface.

## F.2.1.6 Static Axial Pile Capacity Calculations by Schmertmann Method

Depth	fs(avg)	Unit	Increment	Shaft	q <sub>c</sub> (avg)	q <sub>c1</sub> (min)	q <sub>c2</sub>	Toe	Ultimate
		Friction	Friction	Resistance				Resistance	Capacity
(m)	(bars)	(bars)	(kN)	(kN)	(bars)	(bars)	(bars)	(kN)	(kN)
12.00	1.21	1.03	35.86	286	51.33				
12.25	1.22	1.03	36.00	322	58.35				
12.50	1.14	0.97	33.78	356	56.70				
12.75	1.17	0.99	34.52	390	55.00				
13.00	1.16	0.99	34.46	425	50.20	47.37	23.63	430	855
13.25	0.99	0.84	29.34	454	46.50				
13.50	0.84	0.72	24.98	479	47.27				
13.75	0.59	0.50	17.48	497	47.30				
14.00	0.97	0.83	28.83	526	62.47				
14.25	1.53	1.30	45.19	571	106.35				
14.50	1.11	0.94	32.89	604	127.73				
14.75	1.11	0.94	32.89	637	149.80				
15.00	2.05	1.74	60.66	697	162.90	173.94	68.33	1,467	2,164
15.25	1.72	1.46	50.82	748	196.20				
15.50	1.48	1.26	43.77	792	203.30				
15.75	1.16	0.98	34.23	826	170.90	169.20	98.38	1,620	2,446
16.00	1.15	0.98	34.17	860	168.63				
16.25	1.24	1.05	36.75	897	173.95				
16.50	1.61	1.37	47.71	945	208.87	216.83	129.36	2,096	3,041
16.75	1.61	1.36	47.56	992	224.80				
17.00	1.88	1.60	55.62	1,048	252.37				
17.25	1.84	1.56	54.53	1,102	260.65	252.40	173.18	2,577	3,679
17.50	2.08	1.77	61.73	1,164	249.23				
17.75	2.28	1.93	67.42	1,231	252.40				
18.00	2.86	2.43	84.75	1,316	305.00				
18.25	2.56	2.17	75.71	1,392	297.40		1		
18.50	2.12	1.80	62.91	1,455	254.83				
18.75	1.71	1.45	50.52	1,505	214.85				
19.00	1.31	1.11	38.82	1,544	148.70				

Location: Peach Freeway CPT-1 at North Abutment.

**Note:** Depth is referenced from the original ground surface.

### F.2.1.7 Summary of North Abutment Capacity Calculation Results

Method Used for Estimation	Calculated	Calculated	Calculated
of Pile Capacity	Pile Shaft	Pile Toe	Ultimate
	Resistance	Resistance	Pile Capacity
	(kN)	(kN)	(KN)
Meyerhof Method - SPT Data	418	854	1,272
Nordlund Method - SPT Data	898	940	1,838
Effective Stress Method - SPT Data	537	1,294	1,831
SPILE Program - SPT Data	944	1,201	2,145
LPC CPT Program - CPT Data	780	511	1,291
Schmertmann Method - CPT Data	604	1,111	1,715

Summary of Pile Capacity Estimates with an Embedded Pile Length of 11.5 meters

Summary of Pile Length Estimates for the 1,780 kN Ultimate Pile Capacity

Method Used for Estimation	Calculated Pile Length for the 1,780 kN
of Pile Capacity	Ultimate Pile Capacity
Meyerhof Method - SPT Data	13.0 meters for 1,840 kN
Nordlund Method - SPT Data	11.5 meters for 1,838 kN
Effective Stress Method	11.5 meters for 1,831 kN
SPILE Program - SPT Data	11.5 meters for 2,145 kN
LPC CPT Program - CPT Data	13.5 meters for 1,815 kN
Schmertmann Method - CPT Data	11.7 meters for 1,939 kN

The ultimate pile group capacity at the North Abutment may be taken as the sum of the ultimate capacities of the individual piles in the group as discussed by the design recommendation for estimating group capacity in cohesionless soil presented in Section 9.8.1.1.

# F.2.2 Pier 2 - Soil Boring S-2 (Cohesionless Soil)

#### F.2.2.1 Static Axial Pile Capacity Calculations by Meyerhof SPT Method (before scour)

For the soil profile interpreted from Soil Boring S-2 as shown in Figure F.5. Perform a Meyerhof method pile capacity calculation for an embedded length of 10 meters. Assume that scour has not occurred. Use the step-by-step method outlined in Section 9.7.1.1a.



Figure F.5 Interpreted Soil Profile from Soil Boring S-2 at Pier 2

STEP 1 Correct SPT field N values for overburden pressure.

Effective overburden pressures,  $p_o$ , are needed to correct SPT field N values. The method for calculating the effective overburden pressure is explained in Section 9.4 and an example was presented earlier in Section F.2.1.1. The effective overburden pressure diagram and the soil layers are presented in Figure F.6 below.



Figure F.6 Effective Overburden Pressure Diagram - Pier 2

# STEP 1 (continued)

Use correction factors from Figure 4.4 (Chapter 4) to obtain corrected SPT N' values.

Depth	p <sub>o</sub>	Field	Correction	Corrected SPT N'
		SPT N value	Factor	(Field SPT N x
(m)	(kPa)			Correction Factor)
2.0	10.2	7	1.75	12
3.5	17.9	7	1.65	12
5.0	25.5	9	1.43	13
6.5	42.6	85	1.28	109
8.0	59.7	96	1.16	111
9.5	76.0	31	1.09	34
11.0	90.7	35	1.04	36
12.5	105.4	32	0.98	31
14.0	120.1	33	0.95	31
15.5	134.8	38	0.90	34
17.0	149.5	34	0.87	30
18.5	164.2	39	0.83	32
20.0	178.9	41	0.81	33

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#### STEP 2 Compute the average corrected SPT N' value, $\overline{N}$ ', for each soil layer.

Along the pile embedded length, the soil profile is delineated into two layers. Layer 1 is extremely dense sand and gravel that is 4 meters thick, and layer 2 is dense sand and gravel that is 6 meters thick.

$$\overline{N}_1' = \frac{109 + 111}{2} = 110$$
 (Layer 1 - depth 5 to 9 m;  
Extremely dense sand and gravel)

$$\overline{N}_2' = \frac{34 + 36 + 31 + 31}{4} = 33$$
 (Layer 2 - depth 9 to 15 m;  
Dense sand and gravel)

STEP 3 Compute unit shaft resistance, f<sub>s</sub> (kPa), using the equation for driven displacement piles:

$$f_{s} = 2\overline{N}' \leq 100 \text{ kPa}$$

Layer 1:  $f_{s1} = 2 (110) = 220 \text{ kPa}$ , so use  $f_{s1} = 100 \text{ kPa}$ 

Layer 2:  $f_{s2} = 2(33) = 66 \text{ kPa}$ 

STEP 4 Compute ultimate shaft resistance, R<sub>s</sub> (kN).

$$R_{s} = f_{s} A_{s}$$
Layer 1: 
$$R_{s1} = 100 \text{ kPa} (4)(0.356 \text{ m})(4 \text{ m}) = 570 \text{ kN}$$
Layer 2: 
$$R_{s2} = 66 \text{ kPa} (4)(0.356 \text{ m})(6 \text{ m}) = 564 \text{ kN}$$

Total: 
$$R_s = R_{s1} + R_{s2} = 570 \text{ kN} + 564 \text{ kN}$$
  
= 1,134 kN

STEP 5 Compute average corrected SPT N' value,  $\overline{N}'_{O}$  and  $\overline{N}'_{B}$  near pile toe.

When the pile is embedded to more than 10 pile diameters into the bearing stratum, the effect of overlying stratum becomes irrelevant. The unit toe resistance is governed by the limiting unit toe resistance of the bearing stratum that is  $400\overline{N'_{B}}$ .

The average corrected SPT N' value for the bearing stratum should be calculated from the average N' value within the zone extending 3 pile diameters below the pile toe or in this case 1.065 meter. The average corrected SPT N' value for the bearing stratum which consists of dense sand and gravel is:

$$\overline{N}'_{B} = \frac{34 + 36 + 31 + 31 + 34}{5} = 33$$

STEP 6 Compute unit toe resistance, q<sub>t</sub> (kPa).

$$q_t = \frac{40\overline{N}'_B D_B}{b} \le 400\overline{N}'_B$$

$$= \frac{40N'_{B}(6m)}{0.356m} = 674\overline{N'}_{B}, \text{ so use } q_{t} = 400\overline{N'}_{B}$$

$$q_t = 400 (33) = 13,200 \text{ kPa}$$

STEP 7 Compute ultimate toe resistance, R<sub>t</sub> (kN).

$$R_t = q_t A_t = 13,200 \text{ kPa} (0.356 \text{ m})(0.356 \text{ m})$$
$$= 1,676 \text{ kN}$$

STEP 8 Compute ultimate pile capacity,  $Q_u$  (kN).

$$Q_u = R_s + R_t$$
  
= 1,134 kN + 1,676 kN  
= 2,810 kN

STEP 9 Compute allowable design load,  ${\rm Q_a}$  (kN).

$$Q_a = \frac{Q_u}{Factor of Safety} = \frac{2,810 \text{ kN}}{Factor of Safety}$$

**Note:** Factor of Safety should be selected based on the construction control method to be specified. Recommended factors of safety are described in Section 9.6.

### F.2.2.2 Static Axial Pile Capacity Calculations by Nordlund Method (before scour at 10 m)

For the soil profile interpreted from Soil Boring S-2 as shown in Figure F.5. Perform a Nordlund method pile capacity calculation for an embedded length of 10 meters. Assume that scour has not occurred. Use the step-by-step method outlined in Section 9.7.1.1b.

- STEP 1 Delineate the soil profile into layers and determine the  $\phi$  angle for each layer.
  - a. Construct  $p_o$  diagram using the procedure described in Section 9.4. This is completed in Figure F.6.
  - b. Correct SPT field N values for overburden pressure using Figure 4.4 from Chapter 4 and obtain corrected SPT N' values. For Soil Boring S-2, this has been done in the previous example (see Section F.2.2.1, Step 1).
  - c. Determine  $\phi$  angle for each layer from laboratory tests or in-situ data.

Since the  $\phi$  angle is not provided by either laboratory or in-situ data, it should be determined using the average corrected SPT N' value,  $\overline{N}$ ', as calculated below.

d. In the absence of laboratory or in-situ test data, determine the average corrected SPT N' value,  $\overline{N}$ ', for each soil layer and estimate  $\phi$  angle from Table 4-5 in Chapter 4.

As the example in Section F.2.2.1, the soil profile along the pile embedded length is delineated into two layers of 4, and 6 meters thick. The average corrected SPT N' value for each soil layer is as follows:

Layer 1:	<u>N</u> <sub>1</sub> ' = 110	(Layer 1 - depth 5 to 9 m; Extremely dense sand and gravel)
Layer 2:	N <sub>2</sub> ' = 33	(Layer 2 - depth 9 to 15 m; Dense sand and gravel)

Use the average corrected SPT N' value for each soil layer to estimate  $\phi$  angle from Table 4-5 in Chapter 4.

STEP 1 (continued)

Based on Table 4-5, the  $\phi$  angle is indicated to be as high as 43° when N' is greater than 50. However, as discussed in Section 9.5, in soil layers with greater than 50% gravel the  $\phi$  angle for shaft resistance calculations should be limited to:

36° for hard angular gravel, and 32° for soft rounded gravel.

A limiting friction angle should be used for layer 1.

Layer 1:  $\phi_1 = 36^\circ$  limiting friction angle for hard angular gravel

For layer 2, the friction angle is computed from Table 4-5:

Layer 2:  $\phi_2 = 35^\circ$  for  $\overline{N}_2' = 33$ 

- STEP 2 Determine  $\delta$ , the friction angle between pile and soil based on displaced soil volume, V, and the soil friction angle,  $\phi$ .
  - a. Compute volume of soil displaced per unit length of pile, V. Since this is a uniform cross section ( $\omega = 0^{\circ}$ ) pile,

 $V = (0.356 \text{ m})(0.356 \text{ m})(1.0 \text{ m/m}) = 0.127 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$ 

For a non-uniform pile cross section ( $\omega \neq 0^{\circ}$ ), the pile should be divided into sections and the volume for each section should be calculated.

b. Enter Figure 9.10 with V and determine  $\delta/\phi$  ratio for pile type.

For a precast, prestressed concrete pile with V =  $0.127 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$ 

 $\delta/\phi = 0.84$ 

STEP 2 (continued)

c. Calculate  $\delta$  from  $\delta/\phi$  ratio.

Layer 1:  $\delta_1 = 0.84 (36^\circ) = 30.2^\circ$ 

Layer 2:  $\delta_2 = 0.84 (35^\circ) = 29.4^\circ$ 

STEP 3 Determine the coefficient of lateral earth pressure,  $K_{\delta}$ , for each  $\phi$  angle.

a. Determine K<sub>s</sub> for  $\phi$  angle based on displaced volume, V, and pile taper angle,  $\omega$ , using either Figure 9.11, 9.12, 9.13, or 9.14 and the appropriate procedure described in Step 3b, 3c, 3d, or 3e.

The pile taper angle,  $\omega$ , = 0°.

For Layer 1:

 $\phi_1 = 36^\circ$  and  $V = 0.127 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$ , therefore use Step 3e.

A step by step procedure for determining  $K_{\delta}$  using the linear interpolation and the log linear interpolation is presented in Section F.2.1.2 - Step 3.

For 
$$\phi_1 = 36^\circ$$
,  $\omega = 0^\circ$ , and V = 0.127 m<sup>3</sup>/m:

 $K_{\delta 1} = 2.10$ 

For Layer 2:

 $\phi_2 = 35^\circ$  and V = 0.127 m<sup>3</sup>/m, therefore use Step 3d.

A step by step procedure for determining  $K_{\delta}$  using the log linear interpolation is presented in Section F.2.1.2 - Step 3.

For 
$$\phi_2 = 35^\circ$$
,  $\omega = 0^\circ$ , and V = 0.127 m<sup>3</sup>/m

$$K_{\delta 2} = 1.83$$

STEP 4 Determine the correction factor,  $C_{F}$ , to be applied to  $K_{\delta}$  if  $\delta \neq \phi$ .

Use Figure 9.15 to determine the correction factor for each K<sub> $\delta$ </sub>. Enter figure with  $\phi$  angle and  $\delta/\phi$ =0.84 to determine C<sub>F</sub>.

Layer 1: For  $\phi_1 = 36^\circ \longrightarrow C_{F1} = 0.92$ Layer 2: For  $\phi_2 = 35^\circ \longrightarrow C_{F2} = 0.93$ 

STEP 5 Compute the average effective overburden pressure at the midpoint of each soil layer,  $p_d$  (kPa). (Note: a limiting value is not applied to  $p_d$ ).

The effective overburden pressure at the midpoint of each soil layer is equal to the average effective overburden pressure of that layer. The effective overburden pressure versus depth for Pier 2 has been computed and tabulated in the previous example (see Section F.2.2.1 - Step 1). The effective overburden pressure diagram for Pier 2 is presented in Figure F.6.

Layer 1:  $p_{d1} = 48.3 \text{ kPa}$  (midpoint of layer 1 - at depth of 7.0 m) Layer 2:  $p_{d2} = 100.5 \text{ kPa}$  (midpoint of layer 2 - at depth of 12.0 m)

STEP 6 Compute the shaft resistance in each soil layer. Sum the shaft resistance from each soil layer to obtain the ultimate shaft resistance, R<sub>s</sub> (kN).

STEP 6 (continued)

Total:  $R_s = R_{s1} + R_{s2}$ 

= 267 kN + 717 kN = 984 kN

STEP 7 Determine the  $\alpha_t$  coefficient and the bearing capacity factor, N'<sub>q</sub>, from the  $\phi$  angle near the pile toe.

Since the  $\phi$  angle is not provided by either laboratory tests or in-situ data, the  $\phi$  angle can be estimated from Table 4-5 using the average corrected SPT N' value over the zone from the pile toe to 3 diameter below the pile toe (1.065 meters). The soil near the pile toe is a dense sand and gravel.

 $\overline{N}'_{toe} = 34 \longrightarrow \phi_{toe} = 36^{\circ}$ 

a. Enter Figure 9.16(a) with  $\phi$  angle near pile toe to determine  $\alpha_t$  coefficient based on pile length to diameter ratio.

(D/b) = (10.0 m) / (0.356 m) = 28.1

For  $\phi_{\text{toe}} = 36^{\circ}$  and (D/b) = 28.1  $\rightarrow \alpha_{\text{t}} = 0.69$ 

b. Enter Figure 9.16(b) with  $\phi$  angle near pile toe to determine N'<sub>a</sub>.

For  $\phi_{\text{toe}} = 36^{\circ} \rightarrow \text{N'}_{a} = 75$ 

STEP 8 Compute the effective overburden pressure at the pile toe, pt (kPa).

The effective overburden pressure at the pile toe should be limited to a maximum of 150 kPa.

The effective overburden pressure at the pile toe,  $p_t$ , has been computed in the previous example (Section F.2.2.1, Step 1):

 $p_t = 129.9 \text{ kPa} < 150 \text{ kPa} \rightarrow \text{OK}$ 

STEP 9 Compute ultimate toe resistance,  $R_t$  (kN).

a. 
$$R_t = \alpha_t N'_q A_t p_t$$
  
= 0.69 (75) (0.356 m)(0.356 m) (129.9 kPa)  
= 854 kN

b. limiting  $R_t = q_L A_t$ 

Using the estimated  $\phi = 36^{\circ}$  and Figure 9.17, the limiting unit toe resistance is:

 $q_{L} = 7,400 \text{ kPa}$ 

Therefore,

 $R_t = 7,400 \text{ kPa} (0.356 \text{ m})(0.356 \text{ m}) = 940 \text{ kN}$ 

c. Use lesser of the two  $\mathsf{R}_{\mathsf{t}}$  values obtained in steps a and b which is:

 $R_{t} = 854 \text{ kN}$ 

STEP 10 Compute the ultimate pile capacity,  $Q_{\mu}$  (kN).

$$Q_u = R_s + R_t$$

= 984 kN + 854 kN = 1,838 kN

STEP 11 Compute the allowable design load,  $\rm Q_a$  (kN).

 $Q_a = \frac{Q_u}{Factor of Safety} = \frac{1,838 \text{ kN}}{Factor of Safety}$ 

**Note:** Factor of Safety should be selected based on the construction control method to be specified. Recommended factors of safety are described in Section 9.6.

# F.2.2.3 Static Axial Pile Capacity Calculations by Nordlund Method (after scour at 10 m)

For the soil profile interpreted from Soil Boring S-2 after scour as shown in Figure F.7. Perform a Nordlund method pile capacity calculation for an embedded length of 10 meters. Assume that channel degradation scour has removed the 5 meter thick loose silt layer. Use the step-by-step method outlined in Section 9.7.1.1b.





- STEP 1 Delineate the soil profile into layers and determine the  $\phi$  angle for each layer.
  - a. Construct  $p_o$  diagram using procedure described in Section 9.4. This is completed in Figure F.6.
  - b. Correct SPT field N values for overburden pressure using Figure 4.4 from Chapter 4 and obtain corrected SPT N' values. For Soil Boring S-2, this was done in the previous example (see Section F.2.2.1, Step 1).
    - Note: Although scour has eroded the 5 meter thick loose silt layer, the original overburden pressure (with the loose silt layer still in place) should be used when correcting the SPT field N values.
  - c. Determine  $\phi$  angle for each layer from laboratory tests or in-situ data.

Since the  $\phi$  angle is not provided by either laboratory or in-situ data, it should be determined using the average corrected SPT N' value,  $\overline{N}$ ', as calculated below.

d. In the absence of laboratory or in-situ test data, determine the average corrected SPT N' value,  $\overline{N}$ ', for each soil layer and estimate  $\phi$  angle from Table 4-5 in Chapter 4.

As the example in Section F.2.2.2, the soil profile along the pile embedded length is delineated into two layers of 4, and 6 meters thick. The average corrected SPT N' value for each soil layer is as follow.

Layer 1:	<b>N</b> ¦ = 110	(Layer 1 - depth 5 to 9 m below existing ground surface; Extremely dense sand and gravel)
Layer 2:	$\overline{N}_2$ = 33	(Layer 2 - depth 9 to 15 m below existing ground surface; Dense sand and gravel)

Use the average corrected SPT N' value for each soil layer to estimate  $\phi$  angle from Table 4-5 in Chapter 4.

STEP 1 (continued)

As discussed in Section F.2.2.2 - Step 1, a limiting friction angle should be used for the hard angular gravel of layer 1.

Layer 1:  $\phi_1 = 36^\circ$  from limiting friction angle

For layer 2, the friction angle is computed from Table 4-5:

Layer 2:  $\phi_2 = 35^{\circ}$  for  $\overline{N}_2^{,} = 33$ 

- STEP 2 Determine  $\delta$ , the friction angle between pile and soil based on displaced soil volume, V, and the soil friction angle,  $\phi$ .
  - a. Compute volume of soil displaced per unit length of pile, V. Since this is a uniform cross section ( $\omega = 0^{\circ}$ ) pile,

 $V = (0.356 \text{ m})(0.356 \text{ m})(1.0 \text{ m/m}) = 0.127 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$ 

For a non-uniform pile cross section ( $\omega \neq 0^{\circ}$ ), the pile should be divided into sections and the volume for each section should be calculated.

b. Enter Figure 9.10 with V and determine  $\delta/\phi$  ratio for pile type.

For a precast, prestressed concrete pile with V =  $0.127 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$ 

 $\delta/\phi = 0.84$ 

c. Calculate  $\delta$  from  $\delta/\phi$  ratio.

Layer 1:  $\delta_1 = 0.84 (36^\circ) = 30.2^\circ$ 

Layer 2:  $\delta_2 = 0.84 (35^\circ) = 29.4^\circ$ 

- STEP 3 Determine the coefficient of lateral earth pressure,  $K_{\delta}$ , for each  $\phi$  angle.
  - a. Determine K<sub>s</sub> for  $\phi$  angle based on displaced volume, V, and pile taper angle,  $\omega$ , using either Figure 9.11, 9.12, 9.13, or 9.14 and the appropriate procedure described in Step 3b, 3c, 3d, or 3e.

The pile taper angle,  $\omega_{1} = 0^{\circ}$ .

For Layer 1:

 $\phi_1 = 36^\circ$  and  $V = 0.127 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$ , therefore use Step 3e.

A step by step procedure for determining  $K_{\delta}$  using the linear interpolation and the log linear interpolation is presented in Section F.2.1.2 - Step 3.

For 
$$\phi_1 = 36^\circ$$
,  $\omega = 0^\circ$ , and V = 0.127 m<sup>3</sup>/m:

$$K_{\delta 1} = 2.10$$

For Layer 2:

 $\phi_2 = 35^\circ$  and V = 0.127 m<sup>3</sup>/m, therefore use Step 3d.

A step by step procedure for determining  $K_{\delta}$  using the log linear interpolation is presented in Section F.2.1.2 - Step 3.

For  $\phi_2 = 35^\circ$ ,  $\omega = 0^\circ$ , and V = 0.127 m<sup>3</sup>/m:

 $K_{\delta 2} = 1.83$ 

STEP 4 Determine the correction factor,  $C_{F}$ , to be applied to  $K_{\delta}$  if  $\delta \neq \phi$ .

Use Figure 9.15 to determine the correction factor for each K<sub> $\delta$ </sub>. Enter figure with  $\phi$  angle and  $\delta/\phi$ =0.84 to determine C<sub>F</sub>.

Layer 1: For  $\phi_1 = 36^\circ \rightarrow C_{F1} = 0.92$ 

Layer 2: For  $\phi_2 = 35^\circ \rightarrow C_{F2} = 0.93$ 

STEP 5 Compute the average effective overburden pressure at the midpoint of each soil layer,  $p_d$  (kPa). (Note: a limiting value is not applied to  $p_d$ )

The effective overburden pressure at the midpoint of each layer is equal to the average effective overburden pressure of that layer. The effective overburden pressure diagram for Pier 2 after scour is presented in Figure F.8. The purpose of this example is to illustrate how scour reduces the average effective overburden pressures, and hence the pile shaft and toe resistance.

Layer 1:  $p_{d1} = 22.8 \text{ kPa}$  (midpoint of layer 1 - at depth of 7.0 m below existing ground surface)

Layer 2:  $p_{d2} = 75.0 \text{ kPa}$ 

(midpoint of layer 2 - at depth of 12.0 m below existing ground surface)



Figure F.8 Effective Overburden Pressure Diagram - Pier 2 after Scour

STEP 6 Compute the shaft resistance in each soil layer. Sum the shaft resistance from each soil layer to obtain the ultimate shaft resistance, R<sub>s</sub> (kN).

$R_{s}$	$= K_{\delta} C_{\delta}$	<sub>=</sub> p <sub>d</sub> sinδ C <sub>d</sub> D	(for uniform pile cross section)
	where :	$C_{d} = (4) (0.356 n)$	n) = 1.424 m
Layer 1:	R <sub>s1</sub>	= 2.10 ( 0.92 )( 22	.8 kPa )( sin 30.2° )( 1.424 m )( 4 m )
		= 126 kN	
Layer 2:	$R_{s2}$	= 1.83 ( 0.93 )( 75	.0 kPa )( sin 29.4° )( 1.424 m )( 6 m )
		= 535 kN	
Total:	$R_{s}$	$= R_{s1} + R_{s2} =$	126 kN + 535 kN
		$= 661 \text{ kN} \rightarrow as$	s compared to 984 kN before scour.

STEP 7 Determine the  $\alpha_t$  coefficient and the bearing capacity factor, N'<sub>q</sub>, from the  $\phi$  angle near the pile toe.

As in Section F.2.2.2,

 $\overline{\text{N}'}_{\text{toe}} = 34 \qquad \rightarrow \qquad \phi_{\text{toe}} = 36^{\circ}$ 

a. Enter Figure 9.16(a) with  $\phi$  angle near pile toe to determine  $\alpha_t$  coefficient based on pile length to diameter ratio.

(D/b) = (10.0 m) / (0.356 m) = 28.1

For  $\phi_{\text{toe}} = 36^{\circ}$  and (D/b) = 28.1  $\rightarrow \alpha_{\text{t}} = 0.69$ 

b. Enter Figure 9.16(b) with  $\phi$  angle near pile toe to determine N'<sub>a</sub>.

For  $\phi_{toe} = 36^{\circ} \rightarrow N'_{\alpha} = 75$ 

STEP 8 Compute the effective overburden pressure at the pile toe, pt (kPa).

The effective overburden pressure at the pile toe should be limited to a maximum of 150 kPa.

The effective overburden pressure at the pile toe,  $p_t$ , after scour has been computed and shown in Figure F.8:

 $p_t = 104.4 \text{ kPa} < 150 \text{ kPa} \rightarrow \text{OK}$ 

STEP 9 Compute the ultimate toe resistance, R<sub>t</sub> (kN).

a. 
$$R_t = \alpha_t N_q' A_t p_t$$

= 0.69 (75) (0.356 m) (0.356 m) (104.4 kPa)

= 686 kN

b. limiting  $R_t = q_L A_t$ 

Using the estimated  $\phi = 36^{\circ}$  and Figure 9.17, the limiting unit toe resistance is:

$$q_{l} = 7,400 \text{ kPa}$$

Therefore,

 $R_t = 7,400 \text{ kPa} (0.356 \text{ m}) (0.356 \text{ m})$ 

= 940 kN

c. Use lesser of the two R<sub>t</sub> values obtained in steps a and b which is:

 $R_t = 686 \text{ kN} \Rightarrow \text{as compared to 854 kN before scour.}$ 

STEP 10 Compute the ultimate pile capacity,  $\boldsymbol{Q}_{u}$  (kN).

$$Q_u = R_s + R_t$$
  
= 661 kN + 686 kN  
= 1,347 kN → as compared to 1,838 kN before scour.

Note: After scour has occurred, the factor of safety is only:

Factor of Safety = 
$$\frac{Q_u}{Design Load}$$
 =  $\frac{1,347 \text{ kN}}{890 \text{ kN}}$  = 1.51

#### F.2.2.4 Static Axial Pile Capacity Calculations by Nordlund Method (before scour at 14 m)

For the soil profile interpreted from Soil Boring S-2 as shown in Figure F.5. Perform a Nordlund method pile capacity calculation for an embedded length of 14 meters. Assume that scour has not occurred. Use the step-by-step method outlined in Section 9.7.1.1b.

- STEP 1 Delineate the soil profile into layers and determine the  $\phi$  angle for each layer.
  - a. Construct  $p_o$  diagram using procedure described in Section 9.4. This is completed in Figure F.6.
  - b. Correct SPT field N values for overburden pressure using Figure 4.4 from Chapter 4 and obtain corrected SPT N' values. For Soil Boring S-2, this has been done in a previous example (see Section F.2.2.1, Step 1).
  - c. Determine  $\phi$  angle for each layer from laboratory tests or in-situ data.

Since the  $\phi$  angle is not provided by either laboratory or in-situ data, it should be determined using the average corrected SPT N' value,  $\overline{N}$ ', as calculated below.

d. In the absence of laboratory or in-situ test data, determine the average corrected SPT N' value,  $\overline{N}$ ', for each soil layer and estimate  $\phi$  angle from Table 4-5 in Chapter 4.

The soil profile along the pile embedded length is delineated into two layers of 4, and 10 meters thick. The average corrected SPT N' value for each soil layer is as follow.

$$\overline{N}_1^{\prime} = 110$$
 (Layer 1 - depth 5 to 9 m;  
Extremely dense sand and gravel)

$$\overline{N}_{2}' = \frac{34 + 36 + 31 + 31 + 34 + 30 + 32}{7} = 33$$

(Layer 2 - depth 9 to 19 m; Dense sand and gravel) STEP 1 (continued)

Use the average corrected SPT N' value for each soil layer to estimate  $\phi$  angle from Table 4-5 in Chapter 4.

As discussed in Section F.2.2.2 - Step 1, a limiting friction angle should be used for the hard angular gravel of layer 1.

Layer 1:  $\phi_1 = 36^\circ$  from limiting friction angle

For layer 2, the friction angle is computed from Table 4-5:

Layer 2:  $\phi_2 = 35^\circ$  for  $\overline{N}_2' = 33$ 

- STEP 2 Determine  $\delta$ , the friction angle between pile and soil based on displaced soil volume, V, and the soil friction angle,  $\phi$ .
  - a. Compute volume of soil displaced per unit length of pile, V. Since this is a uniform cross section ( $\omega = 0^{\circ}$ ) pile,

 $V = (0.356 \text{ m})(0.356 \text{ m})(1.0 \text{ m/m}) = 0.127 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$ 

b. Enter Figure 9.10 with V and determine  $\delta/\phi$  ratio for pile type.

For a precast, prestressed concrete pile with  $V = 0.127 \text{m}^3/\text{m}$ 

 $\delta/\phi = 0.84$ 

c. Calculate  $\delta$  from  $\delta/\phi$  ratio.

Layer 1:  $\delta_1 = 0.84 (36^\circ) = 30.2^\circ$ 

Layer 2:  $\delta_2 = 0.84 (35^\circ) = 29.4^\circ$ 

- STEP 3 Determine the coefficient of lateral earth pressure,  $K_{\delta}$ , for each  $\phi$  angle.
  - a. Determine K<sub>s</sub> for  $\phi$  angle based on displaced volume, V, and pile taper angle,  $\omega$ , using either Figure 9.11, 9.12, 9.13, or 9.14 and the appropriate procedure described in Step 3b, 3c, 3d, or 3e.

The pile taper angle,  $\omega$ , = 0°.

For Layer 1:

 $\phi_1 = 36^\circ$  and  $V = 0.127 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$ , therefore use Step 3e.

A step by step procedure for determining  $K_{\delta}$  using the linear interpolation and the log linear interpolation is presented in Section F.2.1.2 - Step 3.

For  $\phi_1 = 36^\circ$ ,  $\omega = 0^\circ$ , and  $V = 0.127 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$ :

 $K_{\delta 1}$  = 2.10

For Layer 2:

 $\phi_2 = 35^\circ$  and  $V = 0.127 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$ , therefore use Step 3d.

A step by step procedure for determining  $K_{\delta}$  using the log linear interpolation is presented in Section F.2.1.2 - Step 3.

For  $\phi_2 = 35^\circ$ ,  $\omega = 0^\circ$ , and V = 0.127 m<sup>3</sup>/m:

 $K_{\delta 2} = 1.83$ 

STEP 4 Determine the correction factor,  $C_{F}$ , to be applied to  $K_{\delta}$  if  $\delta \neq \phi$ .

Use Figure 9.15 to determine the correction factor for each K<sub> $\delta$ </sub>. Enter figure with  $\phi$  angle and  $\delta/\phi$ =0.84 to determine C<sub>F</sub>.

Layer 1: For  $\phi_1 = 36^\circ \rightarrow C_{F1} = 0.92$ 

Layer 2: For  $\phi_2 = 35^\circ \rightarrow C_{F2} = 0.93$ 

STEP 5 Compute the average effective overburden pressure at the midpoint of each soil layer,  $p_d$  (kPa). (Note: a limiting value is not applied to  $p_d$ ).

The effective overburden pressure at the midpoint of each soil layer is equal to the average effective overburden pressure of that layer. The effective overburden pressure versus depth for the Pier 2 has been computed and tabulated in a previous example (see Section F.2.2.1 - Step 1). The effective overburden pressure diagram for Pier 2 is presented in Figure F.6.

Layer 1:  $p_{d1} = 48.3 \text{ kPa}$  (midpoint of layer 1 - at depth of 7.0 m) Layer 2:  $p_{d2} = 120.1 \text{ kPa}$  (midpoint of layer 2 - at depth of 14.0 m)

STEP 6 Compute the shaft resistance in each soil layer. Sum the shaft resistance from each soil layer to obtain the ultimate shaft resistance, R<sub>s</sub> (kN).

 $R_s = K_{\delta} C_F p_d \sin \delta C_d D$  (for uniform pile cross section)

where :  $C_d = (4) (0.355 \text{ m}) = 1.424 \text{ m}$ 

Layer 1:  $R_{s1} = 2.10 (0.92) (48.3 \text{ kPa}) (\sin 30.2^{\circ}) (1.424 \text{ m}) (4 \text{ m})$ 

= 267 kN

Layer 2:  $R_{s2} = 1.83 (0.93)(120.1 \text{ kPa})(\sin 29.4^{\circ})(1.424 \text{ m})(10 \text{ m})$ = 1,429 kN

Total:  $R_s = 267 \text{ kN} + 1,429 \text{ kN}$ 

STEP 7 Determine the  $\alpha_t$  coefficient and the bearing capacity factor, N'<sub>q</sub>, from the  $\phi$  angle near the pile toe.

Since the  $\phi$  angle is not provided by either laboratory tests or in-situ data, the  $\phi$  angle can be estimated from Table 4-5 using the average corrected SPT N' value over the zone from the pile toe to 3 diameter below the pile toe (1.065 meters). The soil near the pile toe is a dense sand and gravel.

$$\overline{N}'_{toe} = 33 \longrightarrow \phi_{toe} = 35^{\circ}$$

a. Enter Figure 9.16(a) with  $\phi$  angle near pile toe to determine  $\alpha_t$  coefficient based on pile length to diameter ratio.

$$(D/b) = (14.0 \text{ m}) / (0.356 \text{ m}) = 39.3$$

For  $\phi_{\text{toe}} = 35^{\circ}$  and (D/b) = 39.3  $\rightarrow \alpha_{\text{t}} = 0.66$ 

b. Enter Figure 9.16(b) with  $\phi$  angle near pile toe to determine N'<sub>a</sub>.

For 
$$\phi_{\text{toe}} = 35^{\circ} \rightarrow \text{N'}_{a} = 65$$

STEP 8 Compute the effective overburden pressure at the pile toe, p, (kPa).

The effective overburden pressure at the pile toe should be limited to a maximum of 150 kPa.

The effective overburden pressure at the pile toe,  $p_t$ , has been computed in the previous example (Section F.2.2.1, Step 1):

 $p_t = 169.1 \text{ kPa} > 150 \text{ kPa} \rightarrow \text{ so use } p_t = 150 \text{ kPa}$ 

STEP 9 Compute the ultimate toe resistance, R<sub>t</sub> (kN).

a. 
$$R_t = \alpha_t N_q' A_t p_t$$
  
= 0.66 ( 65 ) ( 0.356 m )( 0.356 m ) ( 150.0 kPa )  
= 817 kN

b. limiting  $R_t = q_L A_t$ 

Using the estimated  $\phi = 35^{\circ}$  and Figure 9.17, the limiting unit toe resistance is:

$$q_{l} = 5,000 \, \text{kPa}$$

Therefore,

c. Use lesser of the two R<sub>t</sub> values obtained in steps a and b which is:

 $R_{t} = 635 \text{ kN}$ 

STEP 10 Compute the ultimate pile capacity, Q<sub>u</sub> (kN).

$$Q_u = R_s + R_t$$

$$=$$
 1,696 kN + 635 kN  $=$  2,331 kN

STEP 11 Compute allowable design load, Q<sub>a</sub> (kN).

$$Q_a = \frac{Q_u}{Factor of Safety} = \frac{2,331 \text{ kN}}{Factor of Safety}$$

Note: Factor of Safety should be selected based on the construction control method to be specified. Recommended factors of safety are described in Section 9.6.

#### F.2.2.5 Static Axial Pile Capacity Calculations by Nordlund Method (after scour at 14 m)

For the soil profile interpreted from Soil Boring S-2 after scour as shown in Figure F.7. Perform a Nordlund method pile capacity calculation for an embedded length of 14 meters. Assume that scour has removed the 5 meter thick loose silt layer. Use the step-by-step method outlined in Section 9.7.1.1b.

- STEP 1 Delineate the soil profile into layers and determine the  $\phi$  angle for each layer.
  - a. Construct  $p_o$  diagram using procedure described in Section 9.4. This is completed in Figure F.6.
  - b. Correct SPT field N values for overburden pressure using Figure 4.4 from Chapter 4 and obtain corrected SPT N' values. For Soil Boring S-2, this has been done in the previous example (see Chapter F.2.2.1 - Step 1).
    - Note: Although scour has eroded the 5 meter thick loose silt layer, the original overburden pressure (with the loose silt layer still in place) should be used when correcting the SPT field N values.
  - c. Determine  $\phi$  angle for each layer from laboratory tests or in-situ data.

Since the  $\phi$  angle is not provided by either laboratory or in-situ data, it should be determined using the average corrected SPT N' value,  $\overline{N}$ ', as calculated below.

d. In the absence of laboratory or in-situ test data, determine the average corrected SPT N' value,  $\overline{N}$ ', for each soil layer and estimate  $\phi$  angle from Table 4-5 in Chapter 4.

The soil profile along the pile embedded length is delineated into two layers of 4, and 10 meters thick. The average corrected SPT N' value for each soil layer is as follow.

 $\overline{N}_1$  = 110 (Layer 1 - depth 5 to 9 m; Extremely dense sand and gravel) STEP 1 (continued)

$$\overline{N}_2' = \frac{34 + 36 + 31 + 31 + 34 + 30 + 32}{7} = 33$$

(Layer 2 - depth 9 to 19 m; Dense sand and gravel)

Use the average corrected SPT N' value for each soil layer to estimate  $\phi$  angle from Table 4-5 in Chapter 4.

As discussed in Section F.2.2.2 - Step 1, a limiting friction angle should be used for the hard angular gravel of layer 1.

Layer 1:  $\phi_1 = 36^\circ$  from limiting friction angle

For layer 2, the friction angle is computed from Table 4-5:

Layer 2:  $\phi_2 = 35^\circ$  for  $\overline{N}_2' = 33$ 

- STEP 2 Determine  $\delta$ , the friction angle between pile and soil based on displaced soil volume, V, and the soil friction angle,  $\phi$ .
  - a. Compute volume of soil displaced per unit length of pile, V. Since this is a uniform cross section ( $\omega = 0^{\circ}$ ) pile,

 $V = (0.356 \text{ m})(0.356 \text{ m})(1.0 \text{ m/m}) = 0.127 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$ 

b. Enter Figure 9.10 with V and determine  $\delta/\phi$  ratio for pile type.

For a precast, prestressed concrete pile with V =  $0.127 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$ 

 $\delta/\phi = 0.84$ 

c. Calculate  $\delta$  from  $\delta/\phi$  ratio.

Layer 1:  $\delta_1 = 0.84 (36^\circ) = 30.2^\circ$ 

Layer 2:  $\delta_2 = 0.84 (35^\circ) = 29.4^\circ$ 

#### STEP 3 Determine the coefficient of lateral earth pressure, $K_{\delta}$ , for each $\phi$ angle.

a. Determine  $K_{\delta}$  for  $\phi$  angle based on displaced volume, V, and pile taper angle,  $\omega$ , using either Figure 9.11, 9.12, 9.13, or 9.14 and the appropriate procedure described in Step 3b, 3c, 3d, or 3e.

The pile taper angle,  $\omega$ , = 0°.

For Layer 1:

 $\phi_1 = 36^\circ$  and  $V = 0.127 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$ , therefore use Step 3e.

A step by step procedure for determining  $K_{\delta}$  using the linear interpolation and the log linear interpolation is presented in Section F.2.1.2 - Step 3.

For 
$$\phi_1 = 36^\circ$$
,  $\omega = 0^\circ$ , and V = 0.127 m<sup>3</sup>/m:

$$K_{\delta 1} = 2.10$$

For Layer 2:

 $\phi_2 = 35^\circ$  and V = 0.127 m<sup>3</sup>/m, therefore use Step 3d.

A step by step procedure for determining  $K_{\delta}$  using the log linear interpolation is presented in Section F.2.1.2 - Step 3.

For  $\phi_2 = 35^{\circ}$ ,  $\omega = 0^{\circ}$ , and V = 0.127 m<sup>3</sup>/m:

 $K_{\delta 2} = 1.83$ 

STEP 4 Determine the correction factor,  $C_{F}$ , to be applied to  $K_{\delta}$  if  $\delta \neq \phi$ .

Use Figure 9.15 to determine the correction factor for each K<sub> $\delta$ </sub>. Enter figure with  $\phi$  angle and  $\delta/\phi$ =0.84 to determine C<sub>F</sub>.

Layer 1: For  $\phi_1 = 36^\circ \rightarrow C_{F1} = 0.92$ 

Layer 2: For  $\phi_2 = 35^\circ \rightarrow C_{F2} = 0.93$ 

STEP 5 Compute the average effective overburden pressure at the midpoint of each soil layer,  $p_d$  (kPa). (Note: a limiting value is not applied to  $p_d$ ).

The effective overburden pressure at the midpoint of each soil layer is equal to the average effective overburden pressure of that layer. The effective overburden pressure diagram for Pier 2 after scour is presented in Figure F.8.

Layer 1:  $p_{d1} = 22.8 \text{ kPa}$  (midpoint of layer 1 - at depth of 7.0 m) Layer 2:  $p_{d2} = 94.6 \text{ kPa}$  (midpoint of layer 2 - at depth of 14.0 m)

STEP 6 Compute the shaft resistance in each soil layer. Sum the shaft resistance from each soil layer to obtain the ultimate shaft resistance, R<sub>s</sub> (kN).

 $R_s = K_{\delta} C_F p_d \sin \delta C_d D$  (for uniform pile cross section) where :  $C_d = (4) (0.356 \text{ m}) = 1.424 \text{ m}$ 

Layer 1: 
$$R_{s1} = 2.10 (0.92)(22.8 \text{ kPa})(\sin 30.2^{\circ})(1.424 \text{ m})(4 \text{ m})$$
  
= 126 kN

Layer 2:  $R_{s2} = 1.83 (0.93)(94.6 \text{ kPa})(\sin 29.4^{\circ})(1.424 \text{ m})(10 \text{ m})$ = 1,126 kN

Total:  $R_s = R_{s1} + R_{s2}$ = 126 kN + 1,126 kN = 1,252 kN STEP 7 Determine the  $\alpha_t$  coefficient and the bearing capacity factor, N'<sub>q</sub>, from the  $\phi$  angle near the pile toe.

Since the  $\phi$  angle is not provided by either laboratory tests or in-situ data, the  $\phi$  angle can be estimated from Table 4-5 using the average corrected SPT N' value over the zone from the pile toe to 3 diameter below the pile toe (1.065 meters). The soil near the pile toe is a dense sand and gravel.

$$\overline{N}'_{toe} = 33 \longrightarrow \phi_{toe} = 35^{\circ}$$

a. Enter Figure 9.16(a) with  $\phi$  angle near pile toe to determine  $\alpha_t$  coefficient based on pile length to diameter ratio.

(D/b) = (14.0 m) / (0.356 m) = 39.3

For  $\phi_{\text{toe}} = 35^{\circ}$  and (D/b) = 39.3  $\rightarrow \alpha_{\text{t}} = 0.66$ 

b. Enter Figure 9.16(b) with  $\phi$  angle near pile toe to determine N'<sub>a</sub>.

For  $\phi_{toe} = 35^{\circ} \rightarrow N'_{a} = 65$ 

STEP 8 Compute the effective overburden pressure at the pile toe, p, (kPa).

The effective overburden pressure at the pile toe should be limited to a maximum of 150 kPa.

The effective overburden pressure at the pile toe,  $p_t$ , after scour has been computed and shown in Figure F.8:

$$p_t = 143.6 \text{ kPa} < 150 \text{ kPa} \rightarrow \text{OK}$$

STEP 9 Compute the ultimate toe resistance, R<sub>t</sub> (kN).

a. 
$$R_t = \alpha_t N_q' A_t p_t$$
  
= 0.66 ( 65 ) ( 0.356 m )( 0.356 m ) ( 143.6 kPa )  
= 782 kN

b. limiting  $R_t = q_L A_t$ 

Use the estimated  $\phi = 35^{\circ}$  and Figure 9.17, the limiting unit toe resistance is:

$$q_L = 5,000 \text{ kPa}$$
  
 $R_t = 5,000 \text{ kPa} (0.356 \text{ m})(0.356 \text{ m})$   
 $= 635 \text{ kN}$ 

c. Use lesser of the two R<sub>t</sub> values obtained in steps a and b which is:

 $R_{t} = 635 \text{ kN}$ 

STEP 10 Compute the ultimate pile capacity, Q<sub>u</sub> (kN).

 $Q_{u} = R_{s} + R_{t}$ 

= 1,252 kN + 635 kN = 1,887 kN

STEP 11 Compute allowable design load, Q<sub>a</sub>.

 $Q_a = \frac{Q_u}{Factor of Safety} = \frac{1,887 \text{ kN}}{Factor of Safety}$ 

Note: Factor of Safety should be selected based on the construction control method to be specified. Recommended factors of safety are described in Section 9.6.

#### F.2.2.6 Static Axial Pile Capacity Calculations by Effective Stress Method (before scour)

For the soil profile interpreted from Soil Boring S-2 as shown in Figure F.5. Perform an Effective Stress method pile capacity calculation for an embedded length of 10 meters. Assuming that scour has not occurred. Use the step-by-step method outlined in Section 9.7.1.3.

- STEP 1 Delineate the soil profile into layers and determine  $\phi$ ' angle for each layer.
  - a. Use the procedure described in Section 9.4 to construct a  $p_o$  diagram.

For Soil Boring S-2, the  $p_o$  diagram has been constructed in Section F.2.2.1 - Step 1 and also presented in Figure F.6.

b. Divide the soil profile throughout the pile penetration depth into layers and determine the effective overburden pressure, p<sub>o</sub>, at the midpoint of each layer.

As for the example in Section F.2.2.1, the soil profile along the pile embedded length is delineated into two layers of 4 and 6 meters thick. The average effective overburden pressure of each layer is equal to the effective overburden pressure at the midpoint of that layer as follows.

Layer 1:  $p_{o1} = 48.3 \text{ kPa}$  (midpoint of layer 1 - at depth of 7.0 m) Layer 2:  $p_{o2} = 100.5 \text{ kPa}$  (midpoint of layer 2 - at depth of 12.0 m)

c. Determine the  $\phi$ ' angle for each soil layer from laboratory or in-situ test data.

Since the  $\phi$ ' angle is not provided by either laboratory or in-situ test data, the average corrected SPT N' value will be used to estimate the  $\phi$ ' angle.

d. In the absence of laboratory or in-situ test data for cohesionless soil layers, determine the average corrected SPT N' value for each soil layer and estimate the  $\phi$ ' angle from Table 4-5 in Chapter 4.
STEP 1 (continued)

As in the previous example (Section F.2.2.1), the average corrected SPT N' value and the soil type for each soil layer are as follows.

Layer 1:	<b>N</b> ₁ = 110	(Layer 1 - depth 5 to 9 m; Extremely dense sand and gravel)
Layer 2:	$\overline{N}_2$ = 33	(Layer 2 - depth 9 to 15 m; Dense sand and gravel)

Use the average corrected SPT N' value for each soil layer to estimate  $\phi$ ' angle from Table 4-5 in Chapter 4.

Layer 1:  $\phi_1' = 36^{\circ}$  (From limiting friction angle; see discussion in Section F.2.2.2 - Step 1)

Layer 2:  $\phi_2' = 35^\circ$  for  $\overline{N}_2' = 33$ 

STEP 2 Select the  $\beta$  coefficient for each soil layer.

a. Use local experience to select  $\beta$  coefficient for each layer.

Assume no local experience.

b. In the absence of local experience, use Table 9-4 or Figure 9.20 to estimate  $\beta$  coefficient from  $\phi$ ' angle for each layer.

Use the soil type, the estimated  $\phi$ ' angle, and Table 9-4 or Figure 9-20 to estimate the  $\beta$  coefficient for each layer.

Layer 1:  $\beta_1 = 0.42$  (For extremely dense sand and gravel with  $\phi'_1 = 36^\circ$ )

Layer 2:  $\beta_2 = 0.39$  (For dense sand and gravel with  $\phi_2 = 35^\circ$ )

STEP 3 For each soil layer compute the unit shaft resistance, f<sub>s</sub> (kPa).

$$f_s = \beta p_o$$

Layer 1:  $f_{s1} = 0.42 (48.3 \text{ kPa}) = 20.29 \text{ kPa}$ 

Layer 2:  $f_{s2} = 0.39 (100.5 \text{ kPa}) = 39.20 \text{ kPa}$ 

STEP 4 Compute the shaft resistance in each soil layer and the ultimate shaft resistance,  $R_s$  (kN) from the sum of the shaft resistance from each soil layer.

$$R_s = f_s A_s$$

where  $A_s =$  Pile-soil surface area from pile perimeter and length

Layer 1: 
$$R_{s1} = 20.29 (4) (0.356 m) (4 m)$$

= 116 kN

Layer 2:  $R_{s2} = 39.20 (4) (0.356 m) (6 m)$ 

Total:  $R_s = R_{s1} + R_{s2}$ = 116 kN + 335 kN = 451 kN

STEP 5 Compute the unit toe resistance,  $q_t$  (kPa).

$$q_t = N_t p_t$$

a. Use local experience to select N<sub>t</sub> coefficient.

Assume no local experience.

#### STEP 5 (continued)

b. In the absence of local experience, estimate N<sub>t</sub> coefficient from Table 9-4 or Figure 9.21 based on  $\phi$ ' angle.

Table 9-4 or Figure 9.21 are a function of soil type and the  $\phi$ ' angle. The soil type for each layer can be obtained from the soil boring. The  $\phi$ ' angle for each layer can be obtained from laboratory tests or in-situ data. In the absence of either laboratory or in-situ test data, the  $\phi$ ' angle should be estimated from Table 4-5 in Chapter 4 using the average corrected SPT N' value,  $\overline{N}$ ', over the zone from the pile toe to 3 diameter below the pile toe (1.065 meters). The soil near the pile toe is a dense sand and gravel.

$$\overline{N}'_{toe} = 34 \qquad \rightarrow \qquad \phi'_{toe} = 36^{\circ}$$

Use the soil type, the estimated  $\phi$ ' angle, and Table 9-4 or Figure 9-21 to estimate the N<sub>t</sub> coefficient.

$$N_t = 70$$
 (For dense sand and gravel with  $\phi'_{toe} = 36^\circ$ )

c. Calculate the effective overburden pressure at the pile toe, pt.

The effective overburden pressure at the pile toe,  $p_t$ , has been computed in the previous example (Section F.2.2.1, Step 1):

The unit toe resistance,  $q_t$  is:

STEP 6 Compute the ultimate toe resistance, R<sub>t</sub> (kN).

$$R_t = q_t A_t$$
  
= 9,093 (0.356 m) (0.356 m)  
= 1,155 kN

STEP 7 Compute the ultimate pile capacity,  $Q_{\mu}$  (kN).

 $Q_u = R_s + R_t$ = 451 kN + 1,155 kN = 1,606 kN

- Note: The ultimate capacity according to the Effective Stress method is less than the required 1780 kN ultimate capacity. The Effective Stress method would require a pile penetration depth of 12.5 meters for a 1780 kN capacity.
- STEP 8 Compute the allowable design load, Q<sub>a</sub> (kN).

 $Q_a = \frac{Q_u}{Factor of Safety} = \frac{1,606 \text{ kN}}{Factor of Safety}$ 

**Note:** Factor of Safety should be selected based on the construction control method to be specified. Recommended factors of safety are described in Section 9.6.

F.2.2.7 Static Axial Pile Capacity Calculations by SPILE Computer Program (before scour)

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Project Name : File Name : Date :	BORING S-2 S2 6/14/95	Client Projec Comp	t Manager : uted by :	FHWA Ma	nual
Depth of Top of Pile Depth to Water Table Width of pile Type of Pile	= 16.39 ft. = 0.00 ft. = 0.00 in. = Precast Concrete Pi	Pile le le	ngth	= 32.81 ft.	
,	skin f	RICTION CONT	RIBUTION		
Layer Soil Type	Thickness (ft)	Effective Stress (psf)	Internal Friction Angle	N-SPT	Pile Perimeter (ft)
1 Cohesionless 2 Cohesionless 3 Cohesionless	0.01 13.13 19.67	534.48 1011.26 2103.55	30.92* 36.00 35.00	13.06*  	4.67 4.67 4.67
Layer Soil Type	Undrained Shear Strength (psf)	Adhesion	Pile Taper	Sliding Friction Angle	Skin Resistance (Kips)
1 Cohesionless 2 Cohesionless 3 Cohesionless		 	 	26.03 30.30 29.46	0.01 60.96 162.14
			Total	Side Friction	: 223.11
	POINT RE	ESISTANCE CON	ITRIBUTION		
Effective Inte Stress at Frie pile Tip An (psf) (ft*	ernal SPT ction Value gle 'ft)	Pile End Area	Bearir Capa Facto Nq	ng City r	End Bearing Resistance (Kips)
2719.22 37	.24* 34.13	1.36	94.4	14	248.54
		Limiting	End Bearing	Resistance	299.21
		Ultimate	Static Pile	Capacity	471.65
	In SI Units:	Total End Ultim	Side Friction Bearing Resis ate Static Pile	tance e Capacity	992 kN 1,106 kN 2,098 kN

kΝ

### F.2.2.8 Summary of Pier 2 Capacity Calculation Results

Method Used for Estimation	Calculated	Calculated	Calculated
of Pile Capacity	Pile Shaft	Pile Toe	Ultimate
	Resistance	Resistance	Pile Capacity
	(kN)	(kN)	(kN)
Meyerhof Method - SPT Data	1,134	1,676	2,810
Nordlund Method - SPT Data	984	854	1,838
Effective Stress Method	451	1,155	1,606
SPILE Program - SPT Data	992	1,106	2,098

Summary of Pile Capacity Estimates with an Embedded Pile Length of 10.0 meters

Summary of Pile Length Estimates for the 1,780 kN Ultimate Pile Capacity

Method Used for Estimation	Calculated Pile Length for the 1,780 kN	
of Pile Capacity	Ultimate Pile Capacity	
Meyerhof Method - SPT Data	1.0 meters for 2,136 kN	
Nordlund Method - SPT Data	10.0 meters for 1,838 kN	
Effective Stress Method	12.5 meters for 1,847 kN	
SPILE Program - SPT Data	10.0 meters for 2,098 kN	

Note: All analyses do not consider scour effects on ultimate capacity.

Summary of Pile Capacity Estimates Before and After Channel Degradation Scour Based on Nordlund Method

Pile Embedment	Ultimate Pile Capacity		
	Before Scour	After Scour	
10 meters	1,838 kN	1,347 kN	
14 meters	2,331 kN	1,887 kN	

Similar to the North Abutment, the ultimate pile group capacity at Pier 2, may also be taken as the sum of the ultimate capacities of the individual piles in the group. The design recommendation for estimating group capacity in cohesionless soil, presented in Section 9.8.1.1, should be referred to for detail considerations.

### F.2.3 Pier 3 - Soil Boring S-3 (Cohesive and Cohesionless Soil)

F.2.3.1 Static Axial Pile Capacity Calculations by Nordlund and  $\alpha$ -Method

For the soil profile interpreted from Soil Boring S-3 as shown in Figure F.9. Perform a static pile capacity calculation using the Nordlund and  $\alpha$  methods for an embedded length of 13 meters. Use the Nordlund method for the cohesionless soil layer and  $\alpha$ -Method for the cohesive soil layer. Use the appropriate portions of the step-by-step methods outlined in Section 9.7.1.1b and 9.7.1.2a.



Figure F.9 Interpreted Soil Profile from Soil Boring S-3 at Pier 3

- STEP 1 Delineate the soil profile into layers. Determine the  $\phi$  angle for the cohesionless layer, and the undrained shear strength,  $c_u$ , for the cohesive layer.
  - a. Construct p<sub>o</sub> diagram using procedure described in Section 9.4.

Effective overburden pressures,  $p_o$ , are needed to correct SPT field N values. The method for calculating the effective overburden pressure is explained in Section 9.4. A working example is presented in Section F.2.1.1. The effective overburden pressure diagram and soil layers are presented in Figure F.10.



Figure F.10 Effective Overburden Pressure Diagram - Pier 3

### STEP 1 (continued)

b. Correct SPT field N values for overburden pressure using Figure 4.4 from Chapter 4 and obtain corrected SPT N' values.

Depth	p <sub>o</sub>	Field	Correction	Corrected SPT N'
		SPT N value	Factor	(Field SPT N x
(m)	(kPa)			Correction Factor)
2.0	10.2	7	1.80	13
2.5	15.5	83	1.63	135
15.5	149.0	38	0.87	33
17.0	164.6	46	0.83	38
18.5	180.2	41	0.80	33
20.0	195.3	50	0.77	39

Along the pile embedded length, the soil profile is delineated into three layers. Layer 1 is extremely dense sand and gravel that is 1.0 meter thick (cohesionless), layer 2 is stiff silty clay that is 3.0 meters thick (cohesive), and layer 3 is very stiff silty clay that is 9.0 meters thick (cohesive).

For the cohesionless soil layer, determine the average corrected SPT N' value,  $\overline{N}$ ', for the layer and estimate the  $\phi$  angle from Table 4-5 in Chapter 4.

Layer 1:	$\overline{N}_{1}^{\prime} = 135$	(Layer 1 - depth 2 to 3 m;
		Extremely dense sand and Gravel)

For N' > 50, the  $\phi$  angle computed by Table 4-5 can be as high as 43°. However, a limiting friction angle (as discussed in Section F.2.2.2 - Step 1) will govern for soil layer 1 since this layer contains hard angular gravel.

Layer 1:  $\phi_1 = 36^\circ$  from limiting friction angle

#### STEP 1 (continued)

For the cohesive soil layer, determine the average undrained shear strength,  $c_u$  for each soil layer.

Layer 2:  $c_{u2} = \frac{91 + 120}{2} = 106 \text{ kPa}$  (Layer 2 - depth 3 to 6 m; Stiff silty clay)

Layer 3: 
$$c_{u3} = \frac{139 + 154 + 158 + 156 + 158 + 163}{6} = 155 \text{ kPa}$$

(Layer 3 - depth 6 to 15 m; Very stiff silty clay)

- STEP 2 Compute the shaft resistance at soil layer 1 (cohesionless) using Nordlund method.
  - a. (Nordlund Step 2): Determine  $\delta$ , the friction angle between pile and soil based on displaced soil volume, V, and the soil friction angle,  $\phi$ .

(i) Compute volume of soil displaced per unit length of pile, V.

Since this is a uniform cross section ( $\omega = 0^{\circ}$ ) pile,

 $V = (0.356 \text{ m})(0.356 \text{ m})(1.0 \text{ m/m}) = 0.127 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$ 

(ii) Enter Figure 9.10 with V and determine  $\delta/\phi$  ratio for pile type.

For a precast, prestressed concrete pile with V =  $0.127 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$ ,

$$\delta/\phi = 0.84$$

(iii) Calculate  $\delta$  from  $\delta/\phi$  ratio.

Layer 1:  $\delta_1 = 0.84 (36^\circ) = 30.2^\circ$ 

- STEP 2 (continued)
  - b. (Nordlund Step 3): Determine the coefficient of lateral earth pressure,  $K_{\delta}$ , for each  $\phi$  angle.
    - (i) Determine  $K_{\delta}$  for  $\phi$  angle based on displaced volume, V, and pile taper angle,  $\omega$ , using either Figure 9.11, 9.12, 9.13, or 9.14 and the appropriate procedure described in Step 3b, 3c, 3d, or 3e.

For  $\phi_1 = 36^\circ$  and V = 0.127 m<sup>3</sup>/m, therefore use Step 3e.

A step by step procedure for determining  $K_{\delta}$  using the linear interpolation and the log linear interpolation is presented in Section F.2.1.2 - Step 3.

For  $\phi_1 = 36^\circ$ ,  $\omega = 0^\circ$ , and V = 0.127 m<sup>3</sup>/m:

 $K_{\delta 1}$  = 2.10

c. (Nordlund - Step 4): Determine the correction factor,  $C_F$ , to be applied to  $K_{\delta}$  if  $\delta \neq \phi$ .

Use Figure 9.15 to determine the correction factor for each K<sub> $\delta$ </sub>. Enter figure with  $\phi$  angle and  $\delta/\phi$ =0.84 to determine C<sub>F</sub>.

Layer 1: For  $\phi_1 = 36^\circ \rightarrow C_{F1} = 0.92$ 

 d. (Nordlund - Step 5): Compute the average effective overburden pressure at the midpoint of each soil layer, p<sub>d</sub> (kPa). (Note: a limiting value is not applied to p<sub>d</sub>).

The effective overburden pressure at the midpoint of the soil layer is equal to the average effective overburden pressure of that layer. The effective overburden pressure diagram for Pier 3 is presented in Figure F.10.

Layer 1:  $p_{d1} = 15.5 \text{ kPa}$  (midpoint of layer 1 - at depth of 2.5 m)

STEP 2 (continued)

e. (Nordlund - Step 6): Compute the shaft resistance in soil layer 1.

 $\begin{aligned} R_{s} &= K_{\delta} C_{F} p_{d} \sin \delta C_{d} D & (\text{for uniform pile cross section}) \\ \text{where} : C_{d} &= (4) (0.356 \text{ m}) = 1.424 \text{ m} \\ \text{Layer 1:} R_{s1} &= 2.10 (0.92) (15.5 \text{ kPa}) (\sin 30.2^{\circ}) (1.424 \text{ m}) (1 \text{ m}) \\ &= 22 \text{ kN} \end{aligned}$ 

- STEP 3 Compute the shaft resistance at soil layers 2 and 3 (cohesive) using  $\alpha$ -method.
  - a. ( $\alpha$ -Method Steps 1 and 2): Determine the adhesion,  $c_a$ , from Figure 9.18 or adhesion factor,  $\alpha$ , from Figure 9.19 for the cohesive soil layer.

An extremely dense sand and gravel overlying stiff silty clay of soil layer 2 agrees with the soil stratigraphy shown in Figure 9.19a. The depth to pile diameter ratio is:

(D/b) = (3.0 m) / (0.356 m) = 8.43

For  $c_{u2} = 106$  kPa and (D/b) = 8.43, the adhesion factor interpolated from Figure 9.19a is:

 $\alpha = 1.0$ 

The adhesion is:

 $C_{a2} = \alpha C_{u2}$ 

$$=$$
 1.0 (106 kPa)  $=$  106 kPa

Therefore, the unit shaft resistance of soil layer 2 is :

Layer 2:  $f_{s2} = c_{a2} = 106 \text{ kPa}$ 

For soil layer 3, Figure 9.19 and 9.18 should be used to compute the adhesion of the very stiff silty clay. Depending on the thickness of the extremely dense sand and gravel of soil layer 1 and the thickness of the stiff silty clay of soil layer 2, the soil stratigraphy for soil layer 3 may also agree with that of Figure 9.19a. However, it is reasonable to assume here that the pile would not be able to drag the sand and gravel far enough from soil layer 1 through the stiff silty clay of soil layer 2 to reach soil layer 3. Therefore, soil layer 3 should not be affected by the sand and gravel from soil layer 1 and hence, the adhesion should be determined from Figure 9.19c or 9.18. The depth, D, to pile diameter, b, ratio is:

$$(D/b) = (9.0 \text{ m}) / (0.356 \text{ m}) = 25.28$$

Interpolating the adhesion factor from Figure 9.19c, for  $c_{u3} = 155$  kPa and (D/b) = 25.28:

 $\alpha = 0.35$ 

The adhesion is therefore:

$$c_{a3} = \alpha c_{u3}$$
  
= 0.35 (155 kPa)  
= 54.3 kPa

For comparison, using Figure 9.18 for concrete pile with (D/b) = 25.35 and  $c_{u3}$  = 155 kPa, the adhesion obtained from the interpolation between curves is:

 $c_{a3} = 54.7 \text{ kPa} \rightarrow \text{similar to Figure 9.19c.}$ 

Therefore,

Layer 3:  $f_{s3} = c_{a3} = 54.3 \text{ kPa}$ 

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STEP 3 (continued)

 b. (α-Method - Step 3): Compute the ultimate shaft resistance in soil layer 2 and soil layer 3.

Layer 2: 
$$R_{s2} = f_{s2} A_s$$
  
= 106.0 kPa (4)(0.356 m)(3 m) = 453 kN  
Layer 3:  $R_{s3} = f_{s3} A_s$   
= 54.3 kPa (4)(0.356 m)(9 m) = 696 kN

STEP 4 Sum the shaft resistance from each soil layer to obtain the ultimate shaft resistance, R<sub>s</sub> (kN).

Total:  $R_s = R_{s1} + R_{s2} + R_{s3}$ 

= 22 kN + 453 kN + 696 kN = 1,171 kN

STEP 5 Compute the ultimate toe resistance using Nordlund method.

Use Nordlund method, since the soil at pile toe is dense sand and gravel (cohesionless).

(i) (Nordlund - Step 7): Determine the  $\alpha_t$  coefficient and the bearing capacity factor, N'<sub>g</sub>, from the  $\phi$  angle near the pile toe.

Since the  $\phi$  angle is not provided by either laboratory tests or in-situ data, it can be estimated from Table 4-5 using the average corrected SPT N' value over the zone from the pile toe to 3 diameter below the pile toe (1.065 meters).

$$\overline{N}'_{toe} = 33 \qquad \rightarrow \qquad \phi_{toe} = 35^{\circ}$$

- STEP 5 (continued)
  - a. Enter Figure 9.16(a) with  $\phi$  angle near pile toe to determine  $\alpha_t$  coefficient based on pile length to diameter ratio.

(D/b) = (13.0 m) / (0.356 m) = 36.52

For  $\phi_{\text{toe}} = 35^{\circ}$  and (D/b) = 36.52  $\rightarrow \alpha_{\text{t}} = 0.67$ 

b. Enter Figure 9.16(b) with  $\phi$  angle near pile toe to determine N'<sub>a</sub>.

For  $\phi_{\text{toe}} = 35^{\circ} \rightarrow \text{N'}_{a} = 65$ 

 (ii) (Nordlund - Step 8): Compute the effective overburden pressure at the pile toe, p<sub>t</sub> (kPa).

The effective overburden pressure at the pile toe should be limited to a maximum of 150 kPa.

The effective overburden pressure at the pile toe,  $p_t$ , has been computed in Figure F.10:

 $p_t = 143.8 \text{ kPa} < 150 \text{ kPa} \rightarrow \text{OK}$ 

(iii) (Nordlund - Step 9): Compute the ultimate toe resistance, Rt (kN).

a.  $R_t = \alpha_t N'_a A_t p_t$ 

= 0.67 ( 65 ) ( 0.356 m )( 0.356 m ) ( 143.8 kPa ) = 795 kN

b. limiting  $R_t = q_L A_t$ 

Using the estimated  $\phi = 35^{\circ}$  and Figure 9.17, the limiting unit toe resistance is:

$$q_{L} = 5,000 \text{ kPa}$$

STEP 5 (continued)

Therefore,

$$R_t = 5,000 \text{ kPa} (0.356 \text{ m})(0.356 \text{ m})$$

= 635 kN

c. Use lesser of the two R<sub>t</sub> values obtained in steps a and b which is:

 $R_{t} = 635 \text{ kN}$ 

STEP 6 Compute the ultimate pile capacity, Q<sub>u</sub> (kN).

$$Q_u = R_s + R_t$$
  
= 1,171 kN + 635 kN  
= 1,806 kN

- **Note:** In reality, the pile toe will not stop at the top of the bearing stratum. The pile toe will be driven further into the dense sand and gravel bearing stratum and therefore the ultimate toe resistance of the pile is expected to be higher than 635 kN.
- STEP 7 Compute the allowable design load, Q<sub>a</sub> (kN).

$$Q_a = \frac{Q_u}{Factor of Safety} = \frac{1,806 \text{ kN}}{Factor of Safety}$$

Note: Factor of Safety should be selected based on the construction control method to be specified. Recommended factors of safety are described in Section 9.6.

### F.2.3.2 Static Axial Pile Capacity Calculations by Effective Stress Method

For the soil profile interpreted from Soil Boring S-3 as shown in Figure F.9. Perform an Effective Stress method pile capacity calculation for an embedded length of 13 meters. Use the step-by-step method outlined in Section 9.7.1.3.

STEP 1 Delineate the soil profile into layers and determine  $\phi'$  angle for each layer.

a. Use the procedure described in Section 9.4 to construct a  $p_o$  diagram.

For Soil Boring S-3, the  $p_o$  diagram has been constructed in Section F.2.3.1 - Step 1 and also presented in Figure F.10.

b. Divide the soil profile throughout the pile penetration depth into layers and determine the effective overburden pressure, p<sub>o</sub>, at the midpoint of each layer.

As the example in Section F.2.3.1, the soil profile along the pile embedded length is delineated into three layers of 1, 3, and 9 meters thick. The average effective overburden pressure of each layer is equal to the effective overburden pressure at the midpoint of that layer as follows.

Layer 1:	p <sub>o1</sub>	= 15.5 kPa	(midpoint of layer 1 - at depth of 2.5 m)
Layer 2:	p <sub>o2</sub>	= 35.5 kPa	(midpoint of layer 2 - at depth of 4.5 m)
Layer 3:	p <sub>o3</sub>	= 97.0 kPa	(midpoint of layer 3 - at depth of 10.5 m)

c. Determine the  $\phi$ ' angle for each soil layer from laboratory or in-situ test data.

Since the  $\phi$ ' angle is not provided by either laboratory or in-situ test data, the average corrected SPT N' value will be used to estimate the  $\phi$ ' angle.

d. In the absence of laboratory or in-situ test data for cohesionless soil layers, determine the average corrected SPT N' value for each soil layer and estimate the  $\phi$ ' angle from Table 4-5 in Chapter 4.

STEP 1 (continued)

For cohesionless soil layer 1, the average corrected SPT N' value and the soil type for each soil layer is as follows.

Layer 1:  $\overline{N}_1$  = 135 (Layer 1 - depth 2 to 3 m; Extremely dense sand and gravel)

Use the average corrected SPT N' value for soil layer 1 to estimate the  $\phi$ ' angle from Table 4-5 in Chapter 4.

Layer 1:  $\phi_1' = 36^{\circ}$  (Limiting friction angle is used; See discussion in Section F.2.2.2 - Step 1)

For the cohesive soil layers 2 and 3, the effective friction angle is obtained from from the laboratory triaxial test.

Layer 2:  $\phi_2' = 27^\circ$ 

Layer 3:  $\phi_3' = 29^{\circ}$ 

- STEP 2 Select the  $\beta$  coefficient for each soil layer.
  - a. Use local experience to select  $\beta$  coefficient for each layer.

Assume no local experience.

b. In the absence of local experience, use Table 9-4 or Figure 9.20 to estimate  $\beta$  coefficient from  $\phi$ ' angle for each layer.

Use the soil type, the estimated  $\phi$ ' angle, and Table 9-4 or Figure 9-20 to estimate the  $\beta$  coefficient for each soil layer.

Layer 1:  $\beta_1 = 0.40$  (For extremely dense sand and gravel with  $\phi'_1 = 36^\circ$ )

Layer 2:  $\beta_2 = 0.29$  (For stiff silty clay with  $\phi'_2 = 27^\circ$ )

STEP 2 (continued)

Layer 3:  $\beta_3 = 0.38$  (For stiff silty clay with  $\phi'_3 = 29^\circ$ ) For each soil layer compute the unit shaft resistance,  $f_s$  (kPa). STEP 3  $f_s = \beta p_o$ Layer 1:  $f_{s1} = 0.40$  (15.5 kPa) = 6.20 kPa Layer 2:  $f_{s2} = 0.29 (35.5 \text{ kPa}) = 10.30 \text{ kPa}$ Layer 3:  $f_{s3} = 0.38 (97.0 \text{ kPa}) = 36.86 \text{ kPa}$ Compute the shaft resistance in each soil layer and the ultimate shaft resistance, STEP 4 R<sub>s</sub> (kN), from the sum of the shaft resistance from each soil layer.  $R_s = f_s A_s$ where  $A_s =$  Pile-soil surface area from pile perimeter and length  $R_{s1} = 6.20 (4) (0.356 m) (1 m)$ Layer 1: = 9 kN  $R_{s2} = 10.30 (4) (0.356 m) (3 m)$ Layer 2: = 44 kN  $R_{s3} = 36.86 (4) (0.356 m) (9 m)$ Layer 3: = 472 kN  $R_{s} = R_{s1} + R_{s2} + R_{s3}$ Total: = 9 kN + 44 kN + 472 kN

= 525 kN

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STEP 5 Compute the unit toe resistance,  $q_t$  (kPa).

 $q_t = N_t p_t$ 

a. Use local experience to select N<sub>t</sub> coefficient.

Assume no local experience.

b. In the absence of local experience, estimate  $N_t$  coefficient from Table 9-4 or Figure 9.21 based on  $\phi$ ' angle.

Table 9-4 or Figure 9.21 are a function of soil type and the  $\phi'$  angle. The soil type for each layer can be obtained from the soil boring. The  $\phi'$  angle for each layer can be obtained from laboratory tests or in-situ data. In the absence of either laboratory or in-situ test data, the  $\phi'$  angle should be estimated from Table 4-5 in Chapter 4 using the average corrected SPT N' value,  $\overline{N}'$ , over the zone from the pile toe to 3 diameter below the pile toe (1.065 meters). The soil near the pile toe is a dense sand and gravel.

$$\overline{N}'_{toe} = 33 \longrightarrow \phi'_{toe} = 35^{\circ}$$

Use the soil type, the estimated  $\phi$ ' angle, and Table 9-4 or Figure 9-21 to estimate the N<sub>t</sub> coefficient.

 $N_t = 58$  (For dense sand and gravel with  $\phi'_{toe} = 35^\circ$ )

c. Calculate the effective overburden pressure at the pile toe, pt.

The effective overburden pressure at the pile toe,  $p_t$ , has been computed in a previous example (Section F.2.3.1, Step 1):

$$p_t = 143.8 \text{ kPa}$$

STEP 5 (continued)

The unit toe resistance, q<sub>t</sub> is:

$$q_t = N_t p_t$$
  
= 58 (143.8 kPa) = 8,340 kPa

STEP 6 Compute the ultimate toe resistance, Rt (kN).

 $R_t = q_t A_t$ = 8,340 (0.356 m) (0.356 m) = 1,059 kN

STEP 7 Compute the ultimate pile capacity, Q<sub>u</sub> (kN).

$$Q_u = R_s + R_t$$
  
= 525 kN + 1,059 kN = 1,584 kN

- **Note:** The ultimate capacity according to the Effective Stress method is less than the required 1780 kN ultimate capacity. As discussed in the Nordlund method, in reality the pile toe will not be stopped at the top of the bearing stratum. The pile toe will be driven further into the dense sand and gravel bearing stratum, and therefore, the ultimate toe resistance of the pile is expected to be higher than 1,059 kN. The Effective Stress method would require a pile penetration depth of 14.0 meters for a 1780 kN capacity.
- STEP 8 Compute the allowable design load, Q<sub>a</sub> (kN).

$$Q_a = \frac{Q_u}{Factor of Safety} = \frac{1,584 \text{ kN}}{Factor of Safety}$$

Note: Factor of Safety should be selected based on the construction control method to be specified. Recommended factors of safety are described in Section 9.6.

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			SKIN	FRICTION CONTR	RIBUTION		
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1 2 3 4	Cohesionle Cohesionle Cohesive Cohesive	SS SS	0.02 3.27 9.85 29.52	212.54 323.39 742.23 2033.55	30.73* 36.00 	12.42*   	4.67 4.67 4.67 4.67
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3016.5	56	36.76*	32.53	1.36	87	.93	254.14
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				Ultimate	Static Pile	Capacity :	519.34
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# F.2.3.4 Static Axial Pile Capacity Calculations by LPC CPT Method - Computer Program

L.P.C. CPT Method

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Peach Freeway CPT-3 at Pier 3 -- 356 mm-square PCPS Concrete Pile

Installation Method: Depth to Water Table: 9 - Driven Prefabricated Piles (Concrete)

e: 0.0 meter

Pile No.	Toe Area	Perimeter
	(m²)	(m)
1	0.127	1.424

Depth to Bottom of Layer	Soil Type
(m)	
1.9	4
3.0	7
15.0	2
20.0	7

Depth	Cone Tip Resistance
(m)	(kPa)
0.0	1,244.9
2.0	1,244.9
3.0	33,228.7
7.0	3,715.5
11.0	2,848.9
12.0	4,117.7
13.0	4,237.4
14.0	4,472.0
15.0	4,256.5
16.0	17,715.6
17.0	18,816.8
18.0	20,588.4
19.0	19,056.2
19.5	19,678.7
20.0	23,940.0

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### L.P.C. CPT Method Peach Freeway CPT-3 at Pier 3 -- 356 mm-square PCPS Concrete Pile

Depth	Unit Friction	Toe Bearing	Shaft Resistance	Toe Resistance	Ultimate Capacity
(m)	(kPa)	(kPa)	(kN)	(kN)	(kN)
0.00	38.21	746.93	0.0	94.3	94.3
2.00	11.54	2508.91	105.4	317.1	422.6
3.00	70.38	2796.19	163.7	353.6	517.3
7.00	60.14	2231.21	505.7	282.0	787.7
11.00	58.03	1972.66	842.0	249.5	1091.5
12.00	61.14	2236.00	926.5	282.9	1209.4
13.00	61.43	2537.64	1013.7	320.7	1334.4
14.00	62.00	4108.10	1101.3	519.5	1621.3
15.00	61.48	6655.32	1189.4	841.1	2030.5
16.00	64.49	5860.51	1281.0	740.6	2021.6
17.00	64.93	7124.54	1373.1	900.7	2273.8
18.00	65.60	7306.49	1465.6	923.8	2389.5
19.00	65.02	7847.53	1558.6	991.9	2549.6
19.50	65.26	8062.99	1604.8	1019.5	2624.3
20.00	66.84	8259.30	1652.0	1044.4	2696.4

Note: Depth is referenced from the original ground surface.

Depth	fs(avg)	Unit	Increment	Shaft	q <sub>c</sub> (avg)	q <sub>c1</sub> (min)	q <sub>c2</sub>	Toe	Ultimate
		Friction	Friction	Resistance				Resistance	Capacity
(m)	(bars)	(bars)	(kN)	(kN)	(bars)	(bars)	(bars)	(kN)	(kN)
10.00	1.99	0.80	27.77	1,050	32.87				
10.25	1.93	0.77	26.93	1,077	29.15				
10.50	2.13	0.85	29.76	1,107	31.50				
10.75	2.36	0.94	32.86	1,140	33.35				
11.00	2.24	0.90	31.29	1,171	35.10	38.88	29.68	416	1,587
11.25	2.20	0.88	30.63	1,202	42.65				
11.50	2.29	0.92	31.95	1,234	44.30	42.19	21.49	386	1,620
11.75	2.45	0.98	34.12	1,268	43.50				
12.00	2.54	1.02	35.44	1,303	41.33	42.34	33.71	461	1,764
12.25	2.22	0.89	30.91	1,334	43.35	43.86	34.25	474	1,808
12.50	2.21	0.88	30.79	1,365	45.03	44.03	35.44	482	1,847
12.75	2.17	0.87	30.20	1,395	45.00				
13.00	2.26	0.91	31.58	1,427	43.53	43.32	37.30	489	1,916
13.25	2.74	1.10	38.23	1,465	46.50			k.	
13.50	2.84	1.14	39.67	1,504	47.27	43.39	39.34	502	2,006
13.75	2.59	1.04	36.14	1,541	47.30				
14.00	2.47	0.99	34.51	1,575	45.80	42.46	40.82	505	2,080
14.25	2.13	0.85	29.66	1,605	41.35				
14.50	2.21	0.88	30.84	1,636	43.07	44.93	41.35	523	2,159
14.75	2.21	0.88	30.84	1,666	46.80				
15.00	2.05	1.74	60.69	1,727	130.90	161.05	41.95	1231	2,958
15.25	1.62	1.37	47.88	1,775	191.20				
15.50	1.48	1.26	43.79	1,819	195.97				
15.75	1.16	0.98	34.25	1,853	180.90				
16.00	1.15	0.98	34.19	1,887	170.97				

Location: Peach Freeway CPT-3 at Pier 3.

Note: Depth is referenced from the original ground surface.

### F.2.3.6 Summary of Pier 3 Capacity Calculation Results

Method Used for Estimation	Calculated	Calculated	Calculated
of Pile Capacity	Pile Shaft	Pile Toe	Ultimate
	Resistance	Resistance	Pile Capacity
	(kN)	(kN)	(kN)
Norlund and $\alpha$ Method - SPT Data	1,171	635	1,806
Effective Stress Method	525	1,059	1,584
SPILE Program - SPT Data	1,180	1,130	2,310
LPC CPT Program - CPT Data	1,189	841	2030
Schmertmann Method - CPT Data	1,727	1,231	2,958

Summary of Pile Capacity Estimates with an Embedded Pile Length of 13.0 meters

Summary of Pile Length Estimates for the 1,780 kN Ultimate Pile Capacity

Method Used for Estimation	Calculated Pile Length for the 1,780 kN		
of Pile Capacity	Ultimate Pile Capacity		
Norlund and $\alpha$ Method - SPT Data	13.0 meters for 1,806 kN		
Effective Stress Method	14.0 meters for 1,980 kN		
SPILE Program - SPT Data	13.0 meters for 2,310 kN		
LPC CPT Program - CPT Data	12.5 meters for 1,826 kN		
Schmertmann Method - CPT Data	10.2 meters for 1,808 kN		

The ultimate pile group capacity at Pier 3 should be calculated based on Steps 1 to 3 of the design recommendations presented in Section 9.8.1.2, since most of the soil along the pile embedded length is cohesive type. One of the design recommendations for estimating the ultimate pile group capacity in cohesive soil is to calculate the ultimate pile group capacity against block failure using the procedure described in Section 9.8.1.3. The ultimate pile group capacity should be governed by the lesser of the ultimate pile group capacity calculated from steps 1 to 3 of the design recommendations presented in Section 9.8.1.3. An example calculations of the ultimate pile group capacity against block failure of the ultimate pile group capacity against block failure for the south Abutment is presented in Section F.2.4.1 - Step 8.

## F.2.4 South Abutment - Soil Boring S-4 (Cohesive Soil)

### F.2.4.1 Static Axial Pile Capacity Calculations by α-Method

For the soil profile interpreted from Soil Boring S-4 as shown in Figure F.11. Perform the  $\alpha$ -method pile capacity calculation for an embedded length of 17.5 meters. Use the stepby-step method outlined in Section 9.7.1.2a.



Figure F.11 Interpreted Soil Profile from Soil Boring S-4 at the South Abutment

STEP 1 Delineate the soil profile into layers and determine the adhesion,  $c_a$  from Figure 9.18 or adhesion factor,  $\alpha$  from Figure 9.19 for each layer.

Enter appropriate figure (based on soil stratigraphy) with the undrained shear strength of the soil,  $c_u$ , and determine adhesion or adhesion factor based on the ratio of embedded pile length in clay, D, and pile diameter, b.

Along the pile embedded length, the soil profile is delineated into three layers. Layer 1 is medium silty clay that is 5.5 meters thick, layer 2 is stiff silty clay that is 9.5 meters thick, and layer 3 is very stiff silty clay that is 2.5 meters thick.

Determine the average undrained shear strength, c<sub>u</sub> for each soil layer.

Layer 1:  $c_{u1} = \frac{31 + 30 + 33 + 34 + 35}{5} = 33 \text{ kPa}$ (Layer 1 - depth 1.5 to 7 m; Medium silty clay) Layer 2:  $c_{u2} = \frac{86 + 91 + 96 + 94 + 96 + 95}{6} = 93 \text{ kPa}$ (Layer 2 - depth 7 to 16.5 m; Stiff silty clay)

Layer 3:  $c_{u3} = \frac{158 + 155}{2} = 157 \text{ kPa}$  (Layer 3 - depth 16.5 to 19.0 m; Very stiff silty clay)

The soil stratigraphy of layers 1, 2, and 3 matches that of Figures 9.19c or 9.18. In fact, for concrete piles, the adhesion obtained from Figure 9.18 should be the same as the adhesion factor from Figure 9.19c times the undrained shear strength. Figure 9.18 and the depth to pile diameter ratio, D/b, will be used here to determine the adhesion for soil layers 1, 2, and 3.

STEP 1 (continued)

For soil layer 1:

(D/b) = (5.5 m) / (0.356 m) = 15.45

Interpolating from Figure 9.18 for  $c_{u1} = 33$  kPa and (D/b) = 15.45:

 $c_{a1} = 33 \text{ kPa}$ 

For soil layer 2:

(D/b) = (15 m) / (0.356 m) = 42.13

Interpolating from Figure 9.18, for  $c_{u2} = 93$  kPa and (D/b) = 42.13:

 $c_{a2} = 85 \text{ kPa}$ 

For soil layer 3:

(D/b) = (17.5 m) / (0.355 m) = 49.16 Interpolating from Figure 9.18, for  $c_{u3}$  = 157 kPa and (D/b) = 49.16:  $c_{a3}$  = 67 kPa

STEP 2 For each soil layer, compute the unit shaft resistance, f<sub>s</sub> (kPa).

 $f_{s} = c_{a}$ Layer 1:  $f_{s1} = c_{a1} = 33 \text{ kPa}$ Layer 2:  $f_{s2} = c_{a2} = 85 \text{ kPa}$ Layer 3:  $f_{s3} = c_{a3} = 67 \text{ kPa}$ 

STEP 3 Compute the shaft resistance in each soil layer and the ultimate shaft resistance,  $R_s$  (kN) from the sum of the shaft resistance from each layer.

 $R_s = f_s A_s$ 

where  $A_s =$  Pile-soil surface area from perimeter and length

Layer 1: 
$$R_{s1} = 33 \text{ kPa} (4)(0.356 \text{ m})(5.5 \text{ m})$$

Layer 2:  $R_{s2} = 85 \text{ kPa} (4)(0.356 \text{ m})(9.5 \text{ m})$ 

Layer 3:  $R_{s3} = 67 \text{ kPa} (4)(0.356 \text{ m})(2.5 \text{ m})$ = 239 kN

Total: 
$$R_s = R_{s1} + R_{s2} + R_{s3}$$
  
= 259 kN + 1,150 kN + 239 kN = 1,648 kN

STEP 4 Compute the unit toe resistance, q<sub>t</sub> (kPa).

 $q_t = 9 c_u$ 

Where:  $c_u$  = undrained shear strength of soil at the pile toe.

At the pile toe  $c_u = \frac{155 + 163}{2} = 159 \text{ kPa}$ 

STEP 4 (continued)

Therefore, the unit toe resistance is:

STEP 5 Compute the ultimate toe resistance, R<sub>t</sub> (kN).

$$R_t = q_t A_t$$
  
= 1,431 kPa (0.356 m)(0.356 m)  
= 182 kN

STEP 6 Compute the ultimate pile capacity, Q<sub>u</sub> (kN).

$$Q_u = R_s + R_t$$
  
= 1,648 kN + 182 kN  
= 1,830 kN

STEP 7 Compute the allowable design load, Q<sub>a</sub> (kN).

$$Q_a = \frac{Q_u}{Factor of Safety} = \frac{1,830 \text{ kN}}{Factor of Safety}$$

**Note:** Factor of Safety should be selected based on the construction control method to be specified. Recommended factors of safety are described in Section 9.6.

The group capacity in a cohesive soil should be checked for block failure.

STEP 8 Investigate the possibility of a block failure of pile groups as discussed in Section 9.8.1.3.

Block failure of pile groups should be considered in the design of pile groups in soft cohesive soils or in cohesionless soils underlain by a weak cohesive layer. For a pile group in cohesive soil, the ultimate capacity of the pile group against block failure can be expressed as:

 $Q_{ug} = 2D (B+Z) C_{u1} + B Z C_{u2} N_c$ 

Where:

- D = embedded lengths of piles = 17.5 m.
- B = width of pile group = 3.36 m.
- Z = length of pile group = 10.86 m
- $c_{u1}$  = the weighted average of the undrained shear strength over the depth of pile embedment for the cohesive soils along the pile group perimeter

Layer 1: 
$$c_{u1-1} = 33 \text{ kPa}$$
  
Layer 2:  $c_{u1-2} = 93 \text{ kPa}$   
Layer 3:  $c_{u1-3} = 157 \text{ kPa}$ 

 $c_{u2}$  = average undrained shear strength of the cohesive soils at the base of the pile group to a depth of 2B below pile toe level

= 
$$\frac{155 + 162 + 168}{3}$$
 = 162 kPa

 $N_c$  = bearing capacity factor = 9

STEP 8 (continued)

The group shaft resistance against block failure is 2D (B+Z)  $c_{u1}$ :

Layer 1: 
$$2(5.5 \text{ m})(3.36 \text{ m} + 10.86 \text{ m})(33 \text{ kPa}) = 5,162 \text{ kN}$$
  
Layer 2:  $2(9.5 \text{ m})(3.36 \text{ m} + 10.86 \text{ m})(93 \text{ kPa}) = 25,127 \text{ kN}$   
Layer 3:  $2(2.5 \text{ m})(3.36 \text{ m} + 10.86 \text{ m})(157 \text{ kPa}) = 11,163 \text{ kN}$ 

The group toe resistance against block failure is:

$$B Z c_{u2} N_c = 3.36 m (10.86 m) (162 kPa) (9)$$

Therefore,

$$Q_{ug} = 5,162 \text{ kN} + 25,127 \text{ kN} + 11,163 \text{ kN} + 53,202 \text{ kN}$$
  
= 94,654 kN

The ultimate pile group capacity in cohesive soil should be taken as the lesser of the ultimate pile group capacity calculated from Steps 1 to 4 as described in Section 9.8.1.2. Steps 1 and 2 take into account the pile center to center spacing and the undrained shear strength of the cohesive soil. For the South Abutment soil strength and pile spacing, this results in a group efficiency of 1.0. Therefore, the ultimate pile group capacity is the calculated ultimate pile capacity of 1,830 kN time the 24 piles in the group or 43,920 kN. The ultimate pile group capacity against block failure, Q<sub>ug</sub>, calculated above is equal to 94,654 kN. Therefore, block failure is not a problem. The ultimate pile group capacity of 43,920 kN is in excess of the required ultimate pile group capacity of 42,720 kN.

### F.2.4.2 Static Axial Pile Capacity Calculations by Effective Stress Method

For the soil profile interpreted from Soil Boring S-4 as shown in Figure F.11. Perform an Effective Stress method pile capacity calculation for an embedded length of 17.5 meters. Use the step-by-step method outlined in Section 9.7.1.3.

STEP 1 Delineate the soil profile into layers and determine  $\phi'$  angle for each layer.

a. Use the procedure described in Section 9.4 to construct a  $p_o$  diagram.

For Soil Boring S-4, the p<sub>o</sub> diagram is presented below in Figure F.12.

b. Divide the soil profile throughout the pile penetration depth into layers and determine the effective overburden pressure, p<sub>o</sub>, at the midpoint of each layer.

As the example in Section F.2.4.1, the soil profile along the pile embedded length is delineated into three layers of 5.5, 9.5, and 2.5 meter thick. The average effective overburden pressure of each layer is equal to the effective overburden pressure at the midpoint of that layer as follows.

Layer 1:	p <sub>o1</sub>	= 44.0 kPa	(at depth of 4.25 meters)
Layer 2:	p <sub>o2</sub>	= 115.4 kPa	(at depth of 11.75 meters)
Layer 3:	p <sub>o3</sub>	= 174.6 kPa	(at depth of 17.75 meters)

c. Determine the  $\phi$ ' angle for each soil layer from laboratory or in-situ test data.

The effective frictional angle for each layer was obtained from the laboratory triaxial test.

Layer 1:	$\phi_{1} = 27^{\circ}$
Layer 2:	φ' <sub>2</sub> = 29°
Layer 3:	$\phi_3'$ = 30°


Figure F.12 Effective Overburden Pressure Diagram - South Abutment

- STEP 2 Select the  $\beta$  coefficient for each soil layer.
  - a. Use local experience to select  $\beta$  coefficient for each layer.

Assume no local experience.

b. In the absence of local experience, use Table 9-4 or Figure 9.20 to estimate  $\beta$  coefficient from  $\phi$ ' angle for each layer.

Use the soil type, the estimated  $\phi$ ' angle, and Table 9-4 or Figure 9-20 to estimate the  $\beta$  coefficient for each soil layer.

Layer 1:	$\beta_1 = 0.30$	(For medium silty clay with $\phi_1' = 27^\circ$ )
Layer 2:	$\beta_2 = 0.35$	(For stiff silty clay with $\phi_2^{,*}$ = 29°)
Layer 3:	$\beta_3 = 0.40$	(For very stiff silty clay with $\phi_3^{\prime} = 30^{\circ}$ )

STEP 3 For each soil layer, compute the unit shaft resistance, f<sub>s</sub> (kPa).

$$f_s = \beta p_c$$

 $R_s = f_s A_s$ 

Layer 1:  $f_{s1} = 0.30 (44.0 \text{ kPa}) = 13.20 \text{ kPa}$ Layer 2:  $f_{s2} = 0.35 (115.4 \text{ kPa}) = 40.39 \text{ kPa}$ Layer 3:  $f_{s3} = 0.40 (174.6 \text{ kPa}) = 69.84 \text{ kPa}$ 

STEP 4 Compute the shaft resistance in each soil layer and the ultimate shaft resistance,  $R_s$  (kN) from the sum of the shaft resistance from each soil layer.

Layer 1: 
$$R_{s1} = 13.20 (4) (0.356 m) (5.5 m)$$
  
 $= 103 kN$   
Layer 2:  $R_{s2} = 40.39 (4) (0.356 m) (9.5 m)$   
 $= 546 kN$   
Layer 3:  $R_{s3} = 69.84 (4) (0.356 m) (2.5 m)$   
 $= 249 kN$   
Total:  $R_{s} = R_{s1} + R_{s2} + R_{s3}$   
 $= 103 kN + 546 kN + 249 kN$ 

= 898 kN

STEP 5 Compute the unit toe resistance, q<sub>t</sub> (kPa).

$$q_t = N_t p_t$$

a. Use local experience to select N<sub>t</sub> coefficient.

Assume no local experience.

b. In the absence of local experience, estimate N<sub>t</sub> coefficient from Table 9-4 or Figure 9.21 based on  $\phi$ ' angle.

Based on the laboratory triaxial test, the undrained frictional angle is:

 $\phi'_{\text{toe}} = 30^{\circ}$ 

Use the soil type, the estimated  $\phi$ ' angle, and Table 9-4 or Figure 9-21 to estimate the N<sub>t</sub> coefficient.

 $N_{t} = 30$ 

c. Calculate the effective overburden pressure at the pile toe, pt.

The effective overburden pressure at the pile toe,  $p_t$ , has been computed in Figure F.12:

 $p_t = 187.7 \text{ kPa}$ 

The unit toe resistace,  $q_t$  is:

$$q_t = N_t p_t$$
  
= 30 (187.7 kPa)  
= 5,631 kPa

STEP 6 Compute the ultimate toe resistance, R<sub>t</sub> (kN).

$$R_{t} = q_{t} A_{t}$$

$$= 5,631 \text{ kPa} (0.356 \text{ m}) (0.356 \text{ m})$$

$$= 715 \text{ kN}$$

STEP 7 Compute the ultimate pile capacity, Q<sub>u</sub> (kN).

 $Q_u = R_s + R_t$ = 898 kN + 715 kN = 1,613 kN

STEP 8 Compute the allowable design load, Q<sub>a</sub> (kN).

$$Q_a = \frac{Q_u}{Factor of Safety} = \frac{1,613 \text{ kN}}{Factor of Safety}$$

Note: Factor of Safety should be selected based on the construction control method to be specified. Recommended factors of safety are described in Section 9.6.

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		SKIN FRI	CTION CONTR	RIBUTION		
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1 Cohesive 2 Cohesive 3 Cohesive		18.04 31.17 8.20	925.09 2431.58 3680.83		  	4.67 4.67 4.67
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				Total S	ide Friction :	369.82
		POINT RES	ISTANCE CON	TRIBUTION		
Effective Stress at pile Tip	Undrained Shear Strength	SPT Value	Pile End Area	Bearir Caj Factor	ig pacity	End Bearing Resistance
(psf)	(psf)		(ft*ft)	Nq		(Kips)
3957.58	3339.00		1.36			40.90
		-	Ultimate	Static Pile C	apacity :	410.72

In SI Units:

Total Side Friction:1,645kNEnd Bearing Resistance:182kNUltimate Static Pile Capacity:1,827kN

### F.2.4.3 Static Axial Pile Capacity Calculations by LPC CPT Method - Computer Program

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L.P.C. CPT Method Peach Freeway CPT-4 at South Abutment -- 356 mm-square PCPS Concrete Pile

Installation Method: Depth to Water Table:

9 - Driven Prefabricated Piles (Concrete) 1.00 meter

Pile No.	Toe Area	Perimeter
	(m²)	(m)
1	0.127	1.424

Depth to Bottom of Layer	Soil Type
(m)	
7.0	1
29.0	2
30.0	8

Depth	Cone Tip Resistance
(m)	(kPa)
0.0	1,149.1
3.5	1,149.1
7.0	1,053.4
10.0	3,255.8
15.0	2,872.8
16.0	4,438.5
17.0	3,433.0
18.0	4,989.1
19.0	4,141.6
20.0	4,021.9
21.0	3,361.2
22.0	3,064.3
23.0	6,875.6
24.0	5,266.8
26.0	4,979.5
28.0	5,027.4
28.5	4,309.2
29.0	20,492.6
30.0	48,981.2

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L.P.C. CPT Method Page 2/2 Peach Freeway CPT-4 at South Abutment -- 356 mm-square PCPS Concrete Pile

Depth	Linit Eriction	Too Bearing	Shaft	Тое	Ultimate
Deptit		TUE Dearing	Resistance	Resistance	Capacity
(m)	(kPa)	(kPa)	(kN)	(kN)	(kN)
0.00	35.81	689.47	0.0	87.2	87.2
3.50	35.81	689.47	178.4	87.2	265.6
7.00	31.22	1292.76	345.2	163.2	508.4
10.00	59.04	1953.50	596.9	246.9	843.8
15.00	58.08	2025.32	1013.3	256.2	1269.5
16.00	61.91	2164.18	1098.7	273.6	1372.2
17.00	59.47	2542.43	1185.0	321.2	1506.1
18.00	63.25	2513.70	1272.1	318.0	1590.2
19.00	61.19	2590.31	1360.6	327.8	1688.5
20.00	60.90	2312.60	1447.4	292.2	1739.6
21.00	59.28	2168.96	1532.8	274.4	1807.2
22.00	58.56	2666.92	1616.4	337.6	1954.0
23.00	67.85	3011.65	1706.3	380.8	2087.0
24.00	63.92	3385.12	1800.1	427.9	2228.0
26.00	63.20	3026.02	1981.1	382.5	2363.7
28.00	63.35	8637.55	2160.8	1092.4	3253.3
28.50	61.57	9576.00	2205.3	1210.8	3416.1
29.00	101.07	9576.00	2263.1	1210.8	3473.9
30.00	76.37	9576.00	2371.7	1210.8	3582.4

Note: Depth is referenced from the original ground surface.

F.2.4.4 Static Axial Pile Capacity Calculations by Schmertmann Method

Depth	fs(avg)	Unit	Increment	Shaft	q <sub>c</sub> (avg)	q <sub>c1</sub> (min)	q <sub>c2</sub>	Toe	Ultimate
		Friction	Friction	Resistance				Resistance	Capacity
(m)	(bars)	(bars)	(kN)	(kN)	(bars)	(bars)	(bars)	(kN)	(kN)
15.00	2.24	0.90	31.22	1,191	45.20				
15.25	3.19	1.28	44.44	1,235	54.84			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
15.50	2.53	1.01	35.27	1,271	44.96	33.90	20.38	329	1,599
15.75	2.41	0.96	33.57	1,304	43.12				
16.00	2.49	1.00	34.76	1,339	42.38	32.13	25.23	347	1,686
16.25	1.82	0.73	25.37	1,364	33.98				
16.50	1.29	0.58	20.26	1,385	29.10	31.80	27.41	358	1,743
16.75	1.97	0.79	27.43	1,412	34.50	40.16	28.48	416	1,828
17.00	2.35	0.94	32.78	1,445	45.82	43.94	29.55	445	1,890
17.25	3.07	1.23	42.80	1,488	55.86	<u> </u>			
17.50	2.69	1.08	37.49	1,525	53.16	40.59	29.83	426	1,951
17.75	2.60	1.04	36.27	1,561	62.30				
18.00	2.15	0.86	29.97	1,591	37.04	34.39	28.94	383	1,975
18.25	2.26	0.91	31.56	1,623	46.56				
18.50	3.08	1.23	42.96	1,666	64.02	33.90	28.94	380	2,046
18.75	1.84	0.74	25.71	1,692	32.00				L
19.00	1.77	0.72	25.26	1,717	30.44	29.32	28.94	353	2,070
19.25	1.53	0.66	22.99	1,740	28.94				
19.50	2.22	0.89	30.98	1,771	42.22	30.27	28.94	358	2,129
19.75	1.48	0.62	21.69	1,793	30.34				
20.00	1.33	0.60	20.80	1,813	27.26	29.92	27.26	346	2,160
20.25	1.94	0.78	27.10	1,841	36.50				
20.50	1.48	0.62	21.69	1,862	30.50	23.62	18.54	255	2,117
20.75	1.94	0.77	26.99	1,889	33.60				
21.00	2.35	0.94	32.73	1,922	39.78	22.78	18.54	250	2,172
21.25	1.59	0.67	23.30	1,945	27.36				
21.50	1.06	0.52	18.17	1,963	22.38	19.50	18.54	230	2,194
21.75	0.78	0.45	15.53	1,979	18.54				

Location: Peach Freeway CPT-4 at South Abutment.

Note: Depth is referenced from the original ground surface.

Depth	fs(avg)	Unit	Increment	Shaft	q <sub>c</sub> (avg)	q <sub>c1</sub> (min)	q <sub>c2</sub>	Toe	Ultimate
		Friction	Friction	Resistance				Resistance	Capacity
(m)	(bars)	(bars)	(kN)	(kN)	(bars)	(bars)	(bars)	(kN)	(kN)
22.00	2.12	0.85	29.61	2,090	46.92	47.34	18.54	399	2,407
22.25	5.48	4.65	162.21	2,171	116.78				
22.50	3.78	3.21	111.91	2,283	71.18	42.20	22.26	390	2,673
22.75	2.86	1.14	39.81	2,323	61.10				
23.00	1.96	0.78	27.35	2,350	38.18	34.17	22.38	342	2,692
23.25	1.90	0.76	26.46	2,376	33.42				
23.50	2.79	1.12	38.87	2,415	46.08	34.99	24.30	359	2,774

Location: Peach Freeway CPT-4 at South Abutment (continued).

Note: Depth is referenced from the original ground surface.

# F.2.4.5 Summary of South Abutment Capacity Calculation Results

Method Used for Estimation	Calculated	Calculated	Calculated
of Pile Capacity	Pile Shaft	Pile Toe	Ultimate
	Resistance	Resistance	Pile Capacity
	(kN)	(kN)	(kN)
a Method	1,648	182	1,830
Effective Stress Method	898	715	1,613
SPILE Program - SPT Data	1,645	182	1,827
LPC CPT Program - CPT Data	1,361	328	1,689
Schmertmann Method - CPT Data	1,717	353	2,070

Summary of Pile Capacity Estimates with an Embedded Pile Length of 17.5 meters

Summary of Pile Length Estimates for the 1,780 kN Ultimate Pile Capacity

Method Used for Estimation	Calculated Pile Length for the 1,780 kN				
of Pile Capacity	Ultimate Pile Capacity				
α Method	17.5 meters for 1,830 kN				
Effective Stress Method	18.7 meters for 1,800 kN				
SPILE Program - SPT Data	17.5 meters for 1,827 kN				
LPC CPT Program - CPT Data	19.5 meters for 1,807 kN				
Schmertmann Method - CPT Data	15.2 meters for 1,828 kN				

The ultimate pile group capacity at the South Abutment should be calculated based on the lesser of the ultimate pile group capacity calculated from Steps 1 to 4 of the design recommendations presented in Section 9.8.1.2. The ultimate pile group capacity based on the design recommendations is equal to 43,920 kN which is in excess of the required ultimate pile group capacity of 42,720 kN.

# F.3 GROUP SETTLEMENT CALCULATIONS

The substructure of the bridge is designed to be supported on a pile group having three rows of piles with 8 piles in each row. The piles are arranged at 1.5 m center to center spacing with a total pile group area of 3.36 m by 10.86 m. Piles in a group are combined with a pile cap having a dimension of 4.5 m by 12 m.

The bridge division has estimated that the maximum compression loads per substructure unit are 12,600 kN. The maximum pile group settlement should be less than 25 mm under the compression loads.

Calculations of pile group settlement will be demonstrated for pile groups embedded in both cohesionless, cohesive, and combined layers of cohesionless and cohesive soils. The pile groups at the North Abutment and Pier 2 has a cohesionless soil profile. The pile groups at Pier 3 has a combined layers of cohesionless and cohesive soils, and the pile groups at the South Abutment has a cohesive soil profile.

### F.3.1 North Abutment - Meyerhof Method Based on SPT Test Data

The soil profile interpreted from Soil Boring S-1 for the pile group at the North Abutment was shown in Figure F.3. Calculate the immediate settlement of pile group using the Meyerhof method based on SPT test data for an embedded pile length of 11.5 meters. Use the method outlined in Section 9.8.2.2a.

STEP 1 Calculate total pile group settlement due to soil compression.

Meyerhof recommended that the settlement of a pile group in a homogeneous sand deposit not underlain by a more compressible soil at a greater depth may be conservatively estimated by the following expression:

s = 
$$\frac{0.96 \text{ p}_{\text{f}} \sqrt{B} \text{ I}_{\text{f}}}{\overline{\text{N}}'}$$

Where:

p<sub>f</sub> = foundation pressure (kPa). Group load divided by group area.
 Notes: settlement should be calculated for the design load to be imposed on the pile group, and <u>not</u> the ultimate or allowable pile group capacities.

$$= \frac{12,600 \text{ kN}}{(3.36 \text{ m})(10.86 \text{ m})} = 345 \text{ kPa}$$

B = the width of pile group = 3.36 m

 $\overline{N}'$  = average corrected SPT N' value within a depth B below pile toe level.

$$= \frac{34 + 32 + 33}{3} = 33$$

D = pile embedment depth = 11.5 m

 $I_{f}$  = influence factor for group embedment.

 $= 1 - [D / 8B] \ge 0.5$ 

= 1 - [(11.5 m) / 8 (3.36 m)] = 0.572

Therefore,

s = estimated total pile group settlement due to soil compression.

$$= \frac{0.96 (345 \text{ kPa}) \sqrt{3.36} (0.572)}{33} = 10.52 \text{ mm}$$

**Note:** For silty sand, a different equation should be used as indicated in Section 9.8.2.2a.

STEP 2 Calculate the elastic compression of pile material under design load on each pile as described in Section 9.8.2.1.

The design load on each pile = 890 kN. The elastic compression of each pile can be calculated with the following expression:

$$\Delta = \frac{Q_a L}{A E}$$

Where:

L = Length of pile (mm) = 11,500 mm

A = Pile cross sectional area ( $m^2$ ) = 0.127  $m^2$ 

 $E = Modulus of elasticity of pile material (kPa) = 27.8 \times 10^6 kPa$ 

 $Q_a =$  Design axial load in pile (kN), as discussed below.

Because of the shaft resistance, the axial load transferred to the pile varies along the pile length. For this reason, the average axial load in each pile segment should be calculated. The pile is divided into four segments according to the number of soil layers used in shaft resistance computations presented in Section F.2.1.2 (Nordlund Method). The first segment is 1 meter length, the second is 3 meters, the third is 7 meters, and the fourth is 0.5 meters. The shaft resistance as calculated using the Nordlund method for the first, second, third, and fourth segment is 37 kN, 146 kN, 615 kN, and 100 kN, respectively. The average axial load transferred to each pile segment is equal to the axial load transferred to the mid length of each pile segment as shown in Figure F.13. The average axial load transferred is used to calculate the elastic compression of the pile segment. The total elastic compression of the pile is equal to the sum of elastic compression from each pile segment.

Pile segment 1a: 
$$\Delta_{1a} = \frac{(872 \text{ kN})(1000 \text{ mm})}{(0.127 \text{ m}^2)(27,800,000 \text{ kPa})} = 0.247 \text{ mm}$$



Figure F.13 Calculation of Axial Load Transfer to the Pile at the North Abutment

Pile segment 1b: 
$$\Delta_{1b} = \frac{(780 \text{ kN})(3000 \text{ mm})}{(0.127 \text{ m}^2)(27,800,000 \text{ kPa})} = 0.663 \text{ mm}$$

Pile segment 2: 
$$\Delta_2 = \frac{(400 \text{ kN})(7000 \text{ mm})}{(0.127 \text{ m}^2)(27,800,000 \text{ kPa})} = 0.793 \text{ mm}$$

Pile segment 3: 
$$\Delta_3 = \frac{(46 \text{ kN})(460 \text{ mm})}{(0.127 \text{ m}^2)(27,800,000 \text{ kPa})} = 0.006 \text{ mm}$$

Total:  $\Delta = \Delta_{1a} + \Delta_{1b} + \Delta_2 + \Delta_3$ 

= 0.247 mm + 0.663 mm + 0.793 mm +0.006 mm = 1.709 mm

STEP 3 Compute total pile group settlement.

 $\Delta$ (total) =  $\Delta$ (soil compression) +  $\Delta$ (elastic pile compression)

= 10.52 mm + 1.709 mm

= 12.23 mm or 0.012 m

**Note:** Total pile group settlement is less than the maximum allowable settlement of 25 mm.

# F.3.2 Pier 2 - Meyerhof Method Based on SPT Test Data

The soil profile interpreted from Soil Boring S-2 for the pile group at Pier 2 was shown in Figure F.5. Calculate the immediate settlement of pile group using the Meyerhof method based on SPT test data for an embedded pile length of 10 meters. Use the method outlined in Section 9.8.2.2a.

STEP 1 Calculate total pile group settlement due to soil compression.

Meyerhof recommended that the settlement of a pile group in a homogeneous sand deposit not underlain by a more compressible soil at a greater depth may be conservatively estimated by the following expression:

$$s = \frac{0.96 p_f \sqrt{B} I_f}{\overline{N}'}$$

Where:

p<sub>f</sub> = foundation pressure (kPa). Group load divided by group area.
 Notes: settlement should be calculated for the design load to be imposed on the pile group, and <u>not</u> the ultimate or allowable pile group capacities.

$$= \frac{12,600 \text{ kN}}{(3.36 \text{ m})(10.86 \text{ m})} = 345 \text{ kPa}$$

B = the width of pile group = 3.36 m

 $\overline{N}'$  = average corrected SPT N' value within a depth B below pile toe level

$$= \frac{34+30+32}{3} = 32$$

D = pile embedment depth = 10 m

I<sub>f</sub> = influence factor for group embedment

= 1 - [D / 8B]  $\ge$  0.5

= 1 - [(10 m) / 8(3.36 m)] = 0.628

Therefore,

s = estimated total pile group settlement due to soil compression

$$= \frac{0.96 (345 \text{ kPa}) \sqrt{3.36} (0.628)}{32} = 11.91 \text{ mm}$$

- **Note:** For silty sand, a different equation should be used as indicated in Section 9.8.2.2a.
- STEP 2 Calculate the elastic compression of pile material under design load on each pile.

The design load on each pile = 890 kN. The elastic compression of each pile can be calculated with the following expression:

$$\Delta = \frac{Q_a L}{A E}$$

Where:

L = Length of pile (mm) = 10,000 mm

A = Pile cross sectional area (m<sup>2</sup>) =  $0.127 \text{ m}^2$ 

 $E = Modulus of elasticity of pile material (kPa) = 27.8 \times 10^6 kPa$ 

 $Q_a =$  Design axial load in pile (kN), as discussed below.

Because of the shaft resistance, the axial load transferred to the pile varies along the pile length. For this reason, the average axial load in each pile segment should be calculated. The pile is divided into two segments according to the

number of soil layers presented in Figure F.5. The first segment is 4 meters length and the second is 6 meters. The shaft resistance as calculated using the Nordlund method (as presented in Section F.2.2.2) for the first and second segment is 267 kN and 717 kN, respectively. The average axial load transferred to each pile segment is equal to the axial load transferred to the mid length of each pile segment as described earlier in Section F.3.1 and shown in Figure F.14. The average axial load transferred is used to calculate the elastic compression of the pile segment. The total elastic compression of the pile is equal to the sum of elastic compression from each pile segment.

Pile segment 1: 
$$\Delta_1 = \frac{(757 \text{ kN})(4000 \text{ mm})}{(0.127 \text{ m}^2)(27,800,000 \text{ kPa})} = 0.858 \text{ mm}$$

Pile segment 2: 
$$\Delta_2 = \frac{(312 \text{ kN})(5213 \text{ mm})}{(0.127 \text{ m}^2)(27,800,000 \text{ kPa})} = 0.461 \text{ mm}$$

Total:

$$\Delta = \Delta_1 + \Delta_2$$

= 0.858 mm + 0.461 mm = 1.319 mm

STEP 3 Compute total pile group settlement.

 $\Delta$ (total) =  $\Delta$ (soil compression) +  $\Delta$ (elastic pile compression)

= 11.91 mm + 1.319 mm

- = 13.23 mm or 0.013 m
- **Note:** Total pile group settlement is less than the maximum allowable settlement of 25 mm.



### F.3.3 Pier 3 - Equivalent Footing Method for Layered Soils

For the pile group at Pier 3 and the soil profile interpreted from Soil Boring S-3 as shown in Figure F.9. Calculate the immediate settlements of pile groups using the equivalent footing method for layered soils for an embedded pile length of 13 meters. Use the stepby-step method outlined in Section 9.8.2.4.

- STEP 1 Determine the new load imposed on soil by the pile group.
  - a. Determine the location of the equivalent footing.

The location of the equivalent footing is based on the shaft and toe resistance condition and the soil profile. Figure 9.44 should be used to determine the location of the equivalent footing and the pressure distribution. The soil profile for Soil Boring S-3, and the shaft and toe resistance combination match that in Figure 9.44(d), and therefore the equivalent footing is placed at depth of  $\frac{2}{3}$  D from the bottom of the pile cap as shown in the figure.

Depth of Equivalent Footing:

- below the pile cap  $= \frac{2}{3} (13.0 \text{ m}) = 8.67 \text{ m}$
- or below the existing ground = 8.67 m + 2.0 m = 10.67 m
- b. Determine the dimensions of the equivalent footing.

All the piles in the pile group are vertical, and the pile group has a dimension of 3.36 meters by 10.86 meters. To account for load transfer, the equivalent footing has a modified dimension that spreads as a pyramid with a side slope of 1H:4V, as shown in Figure 9.44(d). Since the equivalent footing is 8.67 meters below the pile cap, the equivalent footing dimensions are:

The width of the equivalent footing, B<sub>1</sub> = 3.36 m + 2 
$$\left(\frac{8.67 \text{ m}}{4}\right)$$
  
= 7.70 m  
The length of the equivalent footing, Z<sub>1</sub> = 10.86 m + 2  $\left(\frac{8.67 \text{ m}}{4}\right)$   
= 15.20 m

c. Determine the pressure distribution to soil layers below the equivalent footing up to the depth at which the pressure increase from the equivalent footing is less than 10% of existing effective overburden pressure at that depth.

The pressure distribution diagram below the equivalent footing is presented in Figure F.15. Note, the pressure distribution area increases with depth below the equivalent footing which results in a pressure reduction with depth below the equivalent footing. The dimension of the pressure distribution surface also spreads as a pyramid with depth but with a side slope of 1H:2V.

For example, at depth of 0.67 meter below the equivalent footing (or 11.34 meters below the existing ground surface), the pressure distribution surface has the following dimensions:

Width of pressure distribution surface,  $B_2 = 7.70 \text{ m} + 2\left(\frac{0.67 \text{ m}}{2}\right) = 8.37 \text{ m}$ Length of pressure distribution surface,  $Z_2 = 15.20 \text{ m} + 2\left(\frac{0.67 \text{ m}}{2}\right) = 15.87 \text{ m}$ 

Area of pressure distribution surface,  $A_2 = (B_2) (Z_2) = (8.37 \text{ m}) (15.87 \text{ m})$ 

$$= 132.8 \text{ m}^2$$

Therefore, at depth of 0.67 meter below the equivalent footing the pressure increase due to the imposed design load is:

$$\Delta p = \left(\frac{12,600 \text{ kN}}{132.8 \text{ m}^2}\right) = 94.88 \text{ kPa}$$

The pressure increase at other locations below the equivalent footing is summarized in Table F-1. The limestone bedrock was reached before the imposed pressure increase becomes less than 10% of existing effective overburden pressure. Therefore for settlement calculation, the total soil thickness up to the bedrock will be used.

d. Divide the cohesive soil layers in the affected pressure increase zone into several thinner layers of 1.5 to 3 meter thickness. The thickness of each layer is the thickness H for the settlement computation for that layer.

For this example, the soil is divided into 1.5 meter thick layers as presented in column 3 of Table F-2. The soil layer boundaries are presented in column 2 of Table F-2.

e. Determine the existing effective overburden pressure,  $\ensuremath{p_o}\xspace$ , at the midpoint of each layer.

The midpoint location of each soil layer below the existing ground is presented in column 4 of Table F-2. The effective overburden pressure,  $p_o$ , at the midpoint of each layer is presented in column 5 of Table F-2.



Figure F.15 Pressure Distribution Below Equivalent Footing for Pile Group at Pier 3

Table F-1 Summary of Pressure Distribution Below Equivalent Footing								
Depth	Depth	Load Dis	tribution	Surface	Imposed	Effective	(Δp) 100%	
Below	Below	Width	Length	Area	Pressure	Overburden	$\left(\frac{p_{o}}{p_{o}}\right)$ 100%	
Existing	Equivalent	B <sub>2</sub>	Z <sub>2</sub>	$(B_2)(Z_2)$	Increase	Pressure		
Ground	Footing				Δр	p₀		
(m)	(m)	(m)	(m)	(m²)	(kPa)	(kPa)	(%)	
10.67	0.00	7.70	15.20	117.0	107.66	98.77	109.0	
11.34	0.67	8.37	15.87	132.8	94.88	105.74	89.7	
12.75	2.08	9.78	17.28	169.0	74.56	120.40	61.9	
14.25	3.58	11.28	18.78	211.8	59.48	136.00	43.7	
15.75	5.08	12.78	20.28	259.2	48.62	151.53	32.1	
17.25	6.58	14.28	21.78	311.0	40.51	166.98	24.3	
18.75	8.08	15.78	23.28	367.4	34.30	182.43	18.8	
19.75	9.08	16.78	24.28	407.4	30.93	192.73	16.1	

Note: Equivalent Footing is at 10.67 meters below existing ground.

### STEP 1 (continued)

f. Determine the imposed pressure increase,  $\Delta p$ , at the midpoint of each affected soil layer based on the appropriate pressure distribution surface.

The imposed pressure increase,  $\Delta p$ , at the midpoint of each affected soil layer is presented in column 6 of Table F-2. Calculations of the imposed pressure increase based on the pressure distribution area were presented earlier in Step 1c.

STEP 2 Determine consolidation test parameters for the cohesive soil layer.

The laboratory consolidation test results on the undisturbed samples of stiff silty clay from layer 2 and very stiff silty clay from layer 3 were plotted on the "log pressure, p *versus* void ratio, e" (similar to Figure 9.43).

Table F-2 Settlement Calculations									
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		
Soil	Soil	Soil	Depth of	Effective	Imposed	(p <sub>o</sub> +Δp)	Layer		
Туре	Layer	Layer	Midpoint	Overburden	Pressure		Settlement		
	Below	Thickness	Below	Pressure	Increase				
	Existing		Existing	at Midpoint	at Midpoint				
	Ground		Ground	p₀	Δр				
	(m)	(m)	(m)	(kPa)	(kPa)	(kPa)	(m)		
Layer 3	10.67 - 12.00	1.33	11.34	105.74	94.88	200.62	0.0048		
p <sub>c</sub> =297 kPa; e <sub>0</sub> =0.54	12.00 - 13.50	1.50	12.75	120.40	74.56	194.96	0.0041		
$C_c = 0.20; C_{cr} = 0.020$	13.50 - 15.00	1.50	14.25	136.00	59.48	195.48	0.0031		
Layer 4									
N'=33; C'=146	15.00 - 16.50	1.50	15.75	151.53	48.62	200.15	0.0012		
<u>N</u> ′ =38; C′ =173	16.50 - 18.00	1.50	17.25	166.98	40.51	207.49	0.0008		
∏'=33; C'=146	18.00 - 19.50	1.50	18.75	182.43	34.30	216.73	0.0008		
Ñ'=39; C'=180	19.50 - 20.00	0.50	19.75	192.73	30.93	223.66	0.0002		
					Total Settlem	nent =	0.0150		

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The following consolidation test parameters were obtained from the plot.

Soil Layer 3 (very stiff silty clay): Preconsolidation pressure,  $p_c = 297$  kPa Initial void ratio,  $e_0 = 0.54$ Compression index,  $C_c = 0.20$ Recompression index,  $C_{cr} = 0.020$ 

STEP 3 Determine bearing capacity index for each cohesionless layer.

Determine the average corrected SPT N' value,  $\overline{N}$ ', for each cohesionless layer. Use  $\overline{N}$ ' for the appropriate SPT hammer type in Figure 9.45 to obtain the bearing capacity index for each layer.

Soil Layer 4:

Layer 15.0 - 16.5:	$\overline{N}$ ' =33 from Safety Hammer; C'=146 from Figure 9.45
Layer 16.5 - 18.0:	$\overline{N}$ ' =38 from Safety Hammer; C'=173 from Figure 9.45
Layer 18.0 - 19.5:	$\overline{N}$ ' =33 from Safety Hammer; C'=146 from Figure 9.45
Layer 19.5 - 20.0:	$\overline{N}$ ' =39 from Safety Hammer; C'=180 from Figure 9.45

STEP 4 Compute settlement due to soil compression.

Compute settlement of each cohesive soil layer using the following equations:

 $s = H \left[ \frac{C_{cr}}{1 + e_0} \log \frac{p_o + \Delta p}{p_o} \right] \qquad \text{when } p_o + \Delta p \le p_c$  $= H \left[ \frac{C_{cr}}{1 + e_0} \log \frac{p_c}{p_o} \right] + H \left[ \frac{C_c}{1 + e_0} \log \frac{p_o + \Delta p}{p_c} \right] \qquad \text{when } p_o + \Delta p > p_c$ 

For example, the soil layer increment 10.67 m to 12.00 m corresponds to:

$$(p_o + \Delta p) = 200.62 \text{ kPa} < p_c = 297 \text{ kPa}$$

Therefore, layer settlement as shown in column 8 of settlement calculations table:

$$s = H \left[ \frac{C_{cr}}{1 + e_0} \log \frac{p_0 + \Delta p}{p_0} \right]$$
$$= 1.33 \left[ \frac{0.020}{(1 + 0.54)} \log \left( \frac{200.62}{105.74} \right) \right] = 0.0048 \text{ m}$$

Compute settlement of each cohesionless soil layer using the following equations:

$$s = H \left[ \frac{1}{C'} \log \frac{p_o + \Delta p}{p_o} \right]$$

For the soil layer increment 15.0 m to 16.5 m corresponds to soil layer 3:

Therefore, the settlement for the soil layer increment as shown in column 8 of Table F-2 is:

$$s = 1.50 \left[ \frac{1}{146} \log \left( \frac{200.15}{151.53} \right) \right] = 0.0012 m$$

Following similiar procedures, the total estimated pile group settlement due to soil compression is equal to the sum of settlements of all layers, or the sum of column 8 of Table F-2 and is equal to 0.0150 meter or 15.0 mm.

STEP 5 Calculate the elastic compression of pile material under design load on each pile. (See Section 9.8.2.1)

Note, for elastic compression calculations, it is assumed that all piles in the group are loaded with the 890 kN design load. This assumption is conservative because piles in the middle and rear rows have smaller loads. The elastic compression of each pile can be calculated with the following expression:

$$\Delta = \frac{Q_a L}{A E}$$

Where:

L = Length of pile (mm) = 13,000 mm

A = Pile cross sectional area ( $m^2$ ) = 0.127  $m^2$ 

 $E = Modulus of elasticity of pile material (kPa) = 27.8 \times 10^6 kPa$ 

 $Q_a =$  Design axial load in pile (kN), as discussed below.

Because of shaft resistances, the axial load transferred to the pile varies along the length of the pile. Therefore, for elastic compression calculations the pile should be divided into segments with the average axial load in each segment calculated. For this example, the pile is divided into three segments based on the soil layers presented in Figure F.9. The first segment is 1.0 meter length, the second is 3.0 meters, and the third is 9.0 meters. The shaft resistance as calculated using the Nordlund method for the cohesionless soil layer and the  $\alpha$ -method for the cohesive soil layer (as presented in Section F.2.3.1) for the first, second, and third segment is 22 kN, 453 kN, and 696 kN, respectively.

The average axial load transferred to each pile segment is equal to the axial load transferred to the mid-length of the segment, as shown in Figure F.16. The average axial load is used to calculate the elastic compression of each pile segment. Figure F.16 also shows that there is 868 kN to be transferred to soil layer 2, and 415 kN to be transferred to soil layer 3 which is capable of supporting up to 696 kN over the 9.0 meter layer thickness. Therefore, the 415 kN load will be fully transferred to the soil at depth of ( 415 kN / 696 kN) times ( 9.0 meters ), or 5.366 meters below the top of layer 3, or the 890 kN total load will be fully transferred to the soil at depth of 9.366 meters below the pile cap. In other words, the lower 3.634 meters of the pile will not be subjected to any load or elastic compression.

Pile segment 1:  $\Delta_1 = \frac{(879 \text{ kN})(1,000 \text{ mm})}{(0.127 \text{ m}^2)(27,800,000 \text{ kPa})} = 0.249 \text{ mm}$ 



Pile segment 2: 
$$\Delta_2 = \frac{(642 \text{ kN})(3,000 \text{ mm})}{(0.127 \text{ m}^2)(27,800,000 \text{ kPa})} = 0.546 \text{ mm}$$

Pile segment 3: 
$$\Delta_3 = \frac{(208 \text{ kN})(5,366 \text{ mm})}{(0.127 \text{ m}^2)(27,800,000 \text{ kPa})} = 0.316 \text{ mm}$$

Total:  $\Delta = \Delta_1 + \Delta_2 + \Delta_3$ 

= 0.249 mm + 0.546 mm + 0.316 = 1.111 mm

**Note:** The elastic pile compression is small relative to the soil compression (15.0 mm), and therefore it is usually ignored.

STEP 6 Compute total pile group settlement.

 $\Delta$ (total) =  $\Delta$ (soil compression) +  $\Delta$ (elastic pile compression)

= 15.0 mm + 1.111 mm = 16.111 mm or 0.016 m

The total pile group settlement is smaller than the maximum allowable pile group settlement of 25 mm.

The Meyerhof method for settlement calculations based on SPT test data (Section 9.8.2.2a) will be performed on the following to compare with settlement calculated above.

STEP 1 Calculate total pile group settlement due to soil compression.

Meyerhof recommended that the settlement of a pile group in a homogeneous sand deposit not underlain by a more compressible soil at greater depth may be conservatively estimated by the following expression:

$$s = \frac{0.96 p_f \sqrt{B} I_f}{\overline{N}'}$$

Where:

p<sub>f</sub> = foundation pressure (kPa). Group load divided by group area. Notes:
 settlement should be calculated for the design load to be imposed on the pile group, and not the ultimate or allowable pile group capacities.

 $= \frac{12,600 \text{ kN}}{(3.36 \text{ m})(10.86 \text{ m})} = 345 \text{ kPa}$ 

B = the width of pile group = 3.36 m

 $\overline{N}'$  = average corrected SPT N' value within a depth B below pile toe level

$$= \frac{33 + 38 + 33}{3} = 35$$

D = pile embedment depth = 
$$13 \text{ m}$$

I, = influence factor for group embedment

= 1 - [D / 8B]  $\ge$  0.5

= 1 - [(13 m) / 8(3.36 m)] = 0.516

Therefore,

s = estimated total pile group settlement due to soil compression

The settlement estimated using the Meyerhof method (8.95 mm) is less than the settlement calculated based on the equivalent method (15.2 mm). In this soil profile, the equivalent footing method calculates most of the foundation settlement (12 mm) to occur in the clay layer with minimal settlement of the underlying sand layer in which the piles are founded. It is unlikely that the magnitude of settlement calculated in the clay layer would occur due to the lack of strain compatibility between the layers. Therefore, the Meyerhof method is a better estimate of group settlement in this profile.

#### F.3.4 South Abutment - Equivalent Footing Method

For the pile group at the South Abutment and the soil profile interpreted from Soil Boring S-4 as shown in Figure F.11. Calculate the immediate settlements of pile groups using the equivalent footing method for an embedded pile length of 17.5 meters. Use the step-by-step method outlined in Section 9.8.2.3.

STEP 1 Determine the new load imposed on soil by the pile group.

a. Determine the location of the equivalent footing.

The location of the equivalent footing is based on the shaft and toe resistance condition and the soil profile. Figure 9.44 should be used to determine the location of the equivalent footing and the pressure distribution. The soil profile for Soil Boring S-4 matches Figure 9.44(b), and therefore the equivalent footing is placed at depth of  $\frac{2}{3}$  D from the bottom of the pile cap as shown in the figure.

Depth of Equivalent Footing:

-	below the pile cap	=	⅔ (17.5 m) =	11.67 m	

- or below the existing ground = 11.67 m + 1.50 m = 13.17 m
- b. Determine the dimensions of the equivalent footing.

All the piles in the pile group are vertical, and the pile group has a dimension of 3.36 meters by 10.86 meters. To account for load transfer, the equivalent footing has a modified dimension that spreads as a pyramid with a side slope of 1H:4V, as shown in Figure 9.44(b). Since the equivalent footing is 11.67 meters below the pile cap, the equivalent footing dimensions are:

The width of the equivalent footing, 
$$B_1 = 3.36 \text{ m} + 2 \left(\frac{11.67 \text{ m}}{4}\right)$$
  
= 9.20 m

The length of the equivalent footing,  $Z_1 = 10.86 \text{ m} + 2 \left(\frac{11.67 \text{ m}}{4}\right)$ = 16.70 m

c. Determine the pressure distribution to soil layers below the equivalent footing up to the depth at which the pressure increase from the equivalent footing is less than 10% of existing effective overburden pressure at that depth.

The pressure distribution diagram below the equivalent footing is presented in Figure F.17. Note, the pressure distribution area increases with depth below the equivalent footing which results in a pressure reduction with depth below the equivalent footing. The dimension of the pressure distribution surface also spreads as a pyramid with depth but with a side slope of 1H:2V.

For example, at depth of 0.17 meter below the equivalent footing (or 13.34 meters below the existing ground surface), the pressure distribution surface has the following dimensions:

Width of pressure distribution surface, 
$$B_2 = 9.20 \text{ m} + 2 \left(\frac{0.17 \text{ m}}{2}\right) = 9.37 \text{ m}$$

Length of pressure distribution surface,  $Z_2 = 16.70 \text{ m} + 2\left(\frac{0.17 \text{ m}}{2}\right) = 16.87 \text{ m}$ 

Area of pressure distribution surface,  $A_2 = (B_2) (Z_2) = (9.37 \text{ m}) (16.87 \text{ m})$ 

$$= 158.1 \text{ m}^2$$

Therefore, at depth of 0.17 meter below the equivalent footing the pressure increase due to the imposed design load is:

$$\Delta p = \left(\frac{12,600 \text{ kN}}{158.1 \text{ m}^2}\right) = 79.71 \text{ kPa}$$



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The pressure increase at other locations below the equivalent footing is summarized in Table F-3. The imposed pressure increase becomes less than 10% of existing effective overburden pressure at depth of 11.58 meters below the equivalent footing or 24.75 meters below the existing ground.

d. Divide the cohesive soil layers in the affected pressure increase zone into several thinner layers of 1.5 to 3 meter thickness. The thickness of each layer is the thickness H for the settlement computation for that layer.

For this example, the soil is divided into 1.5 meter thick layers as presented in column 3 of Table F-4. The soil layer boundaries are presented in column 2 of Table F-4.

e. Determine the existing effective overburden pressure, p<sub>o</sub>, at the midpoint of each layer.

The midpoint location of each soil layer below the existing ground is presented in column 4 of Table F-4. The effective overburden pressure,  $p_o$ , at the midpoint of each layer is presented in column 5 of Table F-4.

f. Determine the imposed pressure increase,  $\Delta p$ , at the midpoint of each affected soil layer based on the appropriate pressure distribution surface.

The imposed pressure increase,  $\Delta p$ , at the midpoint of each affected soil layer is presented in column 6 of Table F-4. Calculations of the imposed pressure increase based on the pressure distribution area were presented earlier in Step 1c.

Table F-3 Summary of Pressure Distribution Below Equivalent Footing								
Depth	Depth	Load Distribution Surface			Imposed	Effective	(Δp) 100%	
Below	Below	Width	Length	Area	Pressure	Overburden	$\left(\frac{1}{p_{o}}\right)$ 100%	
Existing	Equivalent	B <sub>2</sub>	Z <sub>2</sub>	$(B_2)(Z_2)$	Increase	Pressure	:	
Ground	Footing				Δρ	p₀		
(m)	(m)	(m)	(m)	(m²)	(kPa)	(kPa)	(%)	
13.17	0.00	9.20	16.70	153.5	82.08	129.15	63.6	
13.34	0.17	9.37	16.87	158.1	79.71	130.80	60.9	
14.25	1.08	10.28	17.78	182.8	68.94	139.63	49.4	
15.75	2.58	11.78	19.28	227.1	55.48	154.18	36.0	
17.25	4.08	13.28	20.78	276.0	45.66	169.33	27.0	
18.75	5.58	14.78	22.28	329.3	38.26	185.08	20.7	
20.25	7.08	16.28	23.78	387.1	32.55	200.83	16.2	
21.75	8.58	17.78	25.28	449.5	28.03	216.58	12.9	
23.25	10.08	19.28	26.78	516.3	24.40	232.33	10.5	
24.75	11.58	20.78	28.28	587.7	21.44	248.08	8.6	

Note: Equivalent Footing is at 13.17 meters below existing ground.

STEP 2 Determine consolidation test parameters.

The laboratory consolidation test results on the undisturbed samples of stiff silty clay from layer 2 and very stiff silty clay from layer 3 were plotted on the "log pressure, p *versus* void ratio, e" (similar to Figure 9.43). The following consolidation test parameters were obtained from the plot.

Soil Layer 2:

Preconsolidation pressure,  $p_c = 200 \text{ kPa}$ Initial void ratio,  $e_0 = 0.80$ Compression index,  $C_c = 0.30$ Recompression index,  $C_{cr} = 0.030$ 

Table F-4 Settlement Calculations								
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Soil	Soil	Soil	Depth of	Effective	Imposed	(p <sub>o</sub> +Δp)	Layer	
Туре	Layer	Layer	Midpoint	Overburden	Pressure		Settlement	
	Below	Thickness	Below	Pressure	Increase			
	Existing		Existing	at Midpoint	at Midpoint			
	Ground		Ground	p₀	Δр			
	(m)	(m)	(m)	(kPa)	(kPa)	(kPa)	(m)	
Layer 2	13.17 - 13.50	0.33	13.34	130.80	79.71	210.51	0.0022	
p <sub>c</sub> =200 kPa; e <sub>0</sub> =0.80	13.50 - 15.00	1.50	14.25	139.63	68.94	208.57	0.0085	
C <sub>c</sub> =0.30; C <sub>cr</sub> =0.030	15.00 - 16.50	1.50	15.75	154.18	55.48	209.66	0.0079	
Layer 3	16.50 - 18.00	1.50	17.25	169.33	45.66	214.99	0.0020	
p <sub>c</sub> =297 kPa	18.00 - 19.50	1.50	18.75	185.08	38.26	223.34	0.0016	
e <sub>o</sub> =0.54	19.50 - 21.00	1.50	20.25	200.83	32.55	233.38	0.0013	
C <sub>c</sub> =0.20	21.00 - 22.50	1.50	21.75	216.58	28.03	244.61	0.0010	
C <sub>cr</sub> =0.020	22.50 - 24.00	1.50	23.25	232.33	24.40	256.73	0.0008	
	24.00 - 25.50	1.50	24.75	248.08	21.44	269.52	0.0007	
	Total Settlement = 0.0260							
STEP 2 (continued)

Soil Layer 3:

Preconsolidation pressure,  $p_c = 297$  kPa Initial void ratio,  $e_0 = 0.54$ Compression index,  $C_c = 0.20$ Recompression index,  $C_{cr} = 0.020$ 

STEP 3 Compute settlement due to soil compression.

Compute settlement of each soil layer using the following equations:

$$s = H \left[ \frac{C_{cr}}{1 + e_0} \log \frac{p_o + \Delta p}{p_o} \right] \qquad \text{when } p_o + \Delta p \le p_c$$
$$= H \left[ \frac{C_{cr}}{1 + e_0} \log \frac{p_c}{p_o} \right] + H \left[ \frac{C_c}{1 + e_0} \log \frac{p_o + \Delta p}{p_c} \right] \qquad \text{when } p_o + \Delta p > p_c$$

For example, the soil layer increment 13.17 m to 13.50 m corresponds to:

$$(p_o + \Delta p) = 210.51 \text{ kPa} > p_c = 200 \text{ kPa}$$

Therefore, layer settlement as shown in column 8 of settlement calculations table:

$$s = H \left[ \frac{C_{cr}}{1 + e_0} \log \frac{p_c}{p_o} \right] + H \left[ \frac{C_c}{1 + e_0} \log \frac{p_o + \Delta p}{p_c} \right]$$
$$= 0.33 \left[ \frac{0.030}{(1 + 0.80)} \log \left( \frac{200}{130.80} \right) \right] + 0.33 \left[ \frac{0.30}{(1 + 0.80)} \log \left( \frac{210.51}{200} \right) \right] = 0.0022 \text{ m}$$

For the soil layer increment 16.50 m to 18.00 m corresponds to soil layer 3:

$$(p_{o} + \Delta p) = 214.99 \text{ kPa} < p_{c} = 297 \text{ kPa}$$

### STEP 3 (continued)

Therefore, the settlement for the soil layer increment as shown in column 8 of Table F-4 is:

$$s = H \left[ \frac{C_{cr}}{1 + e_0} \log \frac{p_o + \Delta p}{p_o} \right]$$

$$= 1.5 \left[ \frac{0.020}{(1+0.54)} \log \left( \frac{214.99}{169.33} \right) \right] = 0.0020 \text{ m}$$

Following similiar procedures, the total estimated pile group settlement due to soil compression is equal to the sum of settlements of all layers, or the sum of column 8 of Table F-4 and is equal to 0.0260 meter or 26.0 mm.

STEP 4 Calculate the elastic compression of pile material under design load on each pile as described in Section 9.8.2.1a.

Note, for elastic compression calculations, it is assumed that all piles in the group are loaded with the 890 kN design load. This assumption is conservative because piles in the middle and rear rows have smaller loads. The elastic compression of each pile can be calculated with the following expression:

$$\Delta = \frac{Q_a L}{A E}$$

Where:

- L = Length of pile (mm) = 17,500 mm
- A = Pile cross sectional area ( $m^2$ ) = 0.127  $m^2$
- $E = Modulus of elasticity of pile material (kPa) = 27.8 \times 10^6 kPa$
- $Q_a$  = Design axial load in pile (kN), as discussed below.

### STEP 4 (continued)

Because of shaft resistances, the axial load transferred to the pile varies along the length of the pile. Therefore, for elastic compression calculations the pile should be divided into segments with the average axial load in each segment calculated. For this example, the pile is divided into three segments based on the soil layers presented in Figure F.11. The first segment is 5.5 meters length, the second is 9.5 meters, and the third is 2.5 meters. The shaft resistance as calculated using the  $\alpha$ -method (as presented in Section F.2.4.1) for the first, second, and third segment is 259 kN, 1,150 kN, and 239 kN, respectively.

The average axial load transferred to each pile segment is equal to the axial load transferred to the mid-length of the segment, as shown in Figure F.18. The average axial load is used to calculate the elastic compression of each pile segment. Figure F.18 also shows that there is 631 kN to be transferred to soil layer 2 which is capable of supporting up to 1,150 kN over the 9.5 meter layer thickness. Therefore, the 631 kN load will be fully transferred to the soil at depth of ( 631 kN / 1,150 kN) times ( 9.5 meters ), or 5.213 meters below the top of layer 2, or the 890 kN total load will be fully transferred to the soil at depth of 10.713 meters below the pile cap. In other words, the lower 6.787 meters of the pile will not be subjected to any load or elastic compression.

Pile segment 1: 
$$\Delta_1 = \frac{(761 \text{ kN})(5,500 \text{ mm})}{(0.127 \text{ m}^2)(27,800,000 \text{ kPa})} = 1.186 \text{ mm}$$

Pile segment 2: 
$$\Delta_2 = \frac{(316 \text{ kN})(5,213 \text{ mm})}{(0.127 \text{ m}^2)(27,800,000 \text{ kPa})} = 0.467 \text{ mm}$$

Total:  $\Delta = \Delta_1 + \Delta_2$ 

= 1.186 mm + 0.467 mm = 1.653 mm

**Note:** The elastic pile compression is small relative to the soil compression (26.0 mm), and therefore it is usually ignored.



Figure F.18 Calculation of Axial Load Transfer to the Pile at South Abutment

STEP 5 Compute total pile group settlement.

 $\Delta$ (total) =  $\Delta$ (soil compression) +  $\Delta$ (elastic pile compression)

= 26.0 mm + 1.653 mm

= 27.653 mm or 0.028 m

The total pile group settlement is larger than the maximum allowable pile group settlement of 25 mm. The total settlement will even be larger after the placement of the approach embankment fill materials behind the abutment wall, as discussed in Section F.6. Therefore, preloading of the South Abutment should be performed prior to pile installation. The interaction of the approach embankment fill with the South Abutment foundation is discussed in greater detail in Section F.6.

# F.4 LATERAL PILE CAPACITY ANALYSIS

The bridge division estimated that the group lateral loads range from 600 kN at the interior pile groups to 900 kN at the abutment pile groups. The maximum lateral load per pile is limited to 40 kN. A horizontal deflection of up to 10 mm is permissible under lateral loading.

## F.4.1 Broms' Method - North Abutment

Perform a lateral pile capacity analysis for a pile at the North Abutment using Soil Boring S-1 as shown in Figure F.3. Perform the analysis based on an embedded pile length of 11.5 meters. Use the step by step procedure for the Broms' method outlined in Section 9.7.3.2.

STEP 1 Determine the general soil type within the critical depth below ground surface (about 4 or 5 pile diameters).

For pile diameter of 0.356 meter, the critical depth below the ground surface is about 1.42 to 1.78 meters. Based on the soil conditions for the North Abutment shown in Figure F.3, the general soil type within the critical depth below the ground surface is a loose silty fine sand cohesionless soil.

STEP 2 Determine the coefficient of horizontal subgrade reaction, K<sub>h</sub>, within the critical depth based on cohesive or cohesionless soils.

For cohesionless soils, choose the  $K_h$  from Table 9-11 based on soil density and ground water table. For a <u>loose</u> silty fine sand,  $K_h$  is either 1,086 or 1,900 kN/m<sup>3</sup> depending on whether the ground water table is below or above the critical depth, respectively. When the ground water table is within the critical depth region, a linear interpolation between these two values should be used to calculate  $K_h$ .

Assuming the critical depth is at 1.60 meters depth below the bottom of the excavation. Based on Figure F.3, the ground water table is at 1.0 meter below the bottom of the excavation. Therefore, using a linear interpolation, the coefficient of horizontal subgrade reaction,  $K_{\rm h}$ , is:

STEP 2 (continued)

$$K_{h} = 1,086 + \frac{1.00}{1.60} (1,900 - 1,086) = 1,595 \text{ kN/m}^{3}$$

STEP 3 Adjust  $K_h$  for loading and soil conditions.

Assuming that a cyclic loading exists at the site. For cyclic loading in loose cohesionless soils:

$$K_h = 1/4 K_h$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} (1,595) = 399 \text{ kN/m}^3$$

# STEP 4 Determine pile parameters.

a.	Modulus of elasticity, E	=	27,800 MPa
b.	Moment of inertia, I	=	1.32 x 10 <sup>-3</sup> m⁴
C.	Section modulus, S	=	7.46 x 10 <sup>-3</sup> m <sup>3</sup>
d.	Ultimate compressive strength, $f'_c$		34.5 MPa
e.	Embedded pile length, D	=	11.5 m
f.	Pile width, b	Ξ	0.356 m
g.	Eccentricity of applied load, e <sub>c</sub>	=	0 for fixed-headed pile
h.	Dimensionless shape factor, $C_s$ , app	lied	only to steel piles.
i.	Resisting moment of pile, M <sub>y</sub>	=	f' <sub>c</sub> S for concrete piles
		=	34.5 MPa (7.46 x 10 <sup>-3</sup> m <sup>3</sup> )
		=	257.4 kN-m

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STEP 5 Determine  $\eta$  for cohesionless soils.

$$\eta = \sqrt[5]{K_{\rm h}/El} = \sqrt[5]{\frac{399 \text{ kN/m}^3}{(27.8 \times 10^6 \text{ kN/m}^2) (1.32 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^4)}}$$
$$= 0.405 \text{ m}^{-1}$$

STEP 6 Determine the dimensionless length factor for cohesionless soil.

$$\eta D = 0.405 \text{ m}^{-1} (11.5 \text{ m}) = 4.66$$

STEP 7 Determine if pile is long or short according to the <u>cohesionless</u> soil criteria.

Since  $\eta D = 4.66$  is greater than 4.0, the pile is long.

- STEP 8 Determine other soil parameters.
  - a. Rankine passive pressure coefficient for cohesionless soil,  $\mathsf{K}_\mathsf{p}$ , is:

$$K_p = \tan^2 (45 + \phi/2)$$

where  $\phi$  is the average soil friction angle along the embedded pile length.

As shown in Figure F.3, the soil profile along the embedded pile length is divided into three layers. As discussed in Section F.2.1.2, the soil friction angle,  $\phi$ , from each layer is calculated using the corrected SPT N' value and Table 4-5.

Layer 1 (4 m depth):	$\overline{N}_{1}^{\prime} = 8$	>	$\phi_1 = 29^\circ$
Layer 2 (7 m depth):	$\overline{N}_2$ = 14	<b>→</b>	$\phi_2$ = 31°
Layer 3 (0.5 m depth):	<b>N</b> ¦ = 34	<del>-</del>	$\phi_3$ = 36°

The average  $\phi$  angle is calculated from the weighted  $\phi$  angle based on the thickness of each layer.

STEP 8 (continued)

The average  $\phi$  angle is:

$$\phi = \frac{29^{\circ} (4 \text{ m}) + 31^{\circ} (7 \text{ m}) + 36^{\circ} (0.5 \text{ m})}{11.5 \text{ m}} = 30.5^{\circ}$$

Therefore, the Rankine passive pressure coefficient,  $K_{\mbox{\tiny p}}$  , is:

$$K_p = \tan^2 (45 + \phi/2)$$
  
=  $\tan^2 (45 + 30.5/2) = 3.06$ 

b. Average effective soil unit weight over embedded length of pile,  $\gamma$  (kN/m<sup>3</sup>).

The average effective soil unit weight,  $\gamma$ , will also be calculated from the weighted  $\gamma$  of each layer based on the thickness of each layer.

$$\gamma = \frac{16.5 \text{ kN/m}^3 (1 \text{ m}) + 6.7 \text{ kN/m}^3 (3 \text{ m}) + 7.8 \text{ kN/m}^3 (7 \text{ m}) + 9.8 \text{ kN/m}^3 (0.5 \text{ m})}{11.5 \text{ m}}$$

= 8.36 kN/m<sup>3</sup>

STEP 9 Determine the ultimate (failure) lateral load, Q<sub>u</sub>, for a single pile.

The pile will be used in a group under a pile cap, therefore it is considered a fixed headed pile. For a long fixed headed pile in a cohesionless soil, Figure 9.30 should be used to calculate the ultimate load. First  $M_y/(b^4\gamma K_p)$  must be calculated.

$$\frac{M_y}{b^4 \gamma K_p} = \frac{257.4 \text{ kN} - \text{m}}{(0.356 \text{ m})^4 (8.36 \text{ kN/m}^3) (3.06)} = 626$$

Enter Figure 9.30 with this value to the fixed head curve to obtain  $Q_u/K_p b^3 \gamma = 190$ .

So,

$$Q_u = 190 \text{ K}_p b^3 \gamma$$
  
= 190 (3.06) (0.356 m)<sup>3</sup> (8.36 kN/m<sup>3</sup>)  
= 219 kN

STEP 10 Calculate the maximum allowable working load for a single pile, Q<sub>m</sub>, from the ultimate load, Q<sub>u</sub>, determined in Step 9, as shown in Figure 9.31.

$$Q_m = \frac{Q_u}{2.5} = \frac{219 \text{ kN}}{2.5} = 88 \text{ kN}$$

STEP 11 Calculate the deflection, y, corresponding to the desired design load,  $\rm Q_a$  of 40 kN.

For fixed headed pile in cohesionless soil, enter Figure 9.33 with  $\eta D = 4.66$  to obtain y(El)<sup>3/5</sup> K<sub>h</sub><sup>2/5</sup>/Q<sub>a</sub>D. This results in

$$y(EI)^{3/5} K_{h}^{2/5} / Q_{a}D = 0.21$$

The calculated deflection y is:

 $y = 0.21 \text{ Q}_{a} \text{ D} / (\text{EI})^{3/5} \text{ K}_{h}^{2/5}$ = 0.21 (40 kN) (11.5 m)/(27.8x10<sup>6</sup> kN/m<sup>2</sup>)<sup>3/5</sup> (1.32x10<sup>-3</sup> m<sup>4</sup>)<sup>3/5</sup> (399 kN/m<sup>3</sup>)<sup>2/5</sup> = 0.016 m or 16 mm

Therefore, the desired design load of 40 kN will cause the pile head to deflect 16 mm at the ground surface which exceeds the bridge division's allowable deflection of 10 mm. Therefore, the maximum design load that will not exceed the 10 mm deflection should be determined.

 $y = 0.21 \text{ Q}_{a} \text{ D} / (\text{EI})^{3/5} \text{ K}_{h}^{2/5}$ .01= 0.21 (Q<sub>a</sub>) (11.5 m) / (21x10<sup>6</sup> kN/m<sup>2</sup>)<sup>3/5</sup> (1.32x10<sup>-3</sup> m<sup>4</sup>)<sup>3/5</sup> (399 kN/m<sup>3</sup>)<sup>2/5</sup> Q<sub>a</sub> = 0.01 (27.8x10<sup>6</sup> kN/m<sup>2</sup>)<sup>3/5</sup> (1.32x10<sup>-3</sup> m<sup>4</sup>)<sup>3/5</sup> (399 kN/m<sup>3</sup>)<sup>2/5</sup> / (0.21)(11.5 m) = 24.9 kN

STEP 12 Compare the design load  $Q_a$ , and design deflection, y, with the maximum allowable working load,  $Q_m$ , and deflection,  $y_m$ .

The maximum design load of 24.9 kN determined from the design deflection is less than the maximum allowable working load of 87 kN.

- STEP 13 Reduce the maximum allowable load to account for group effects and method of installation.
  - a. Group effects.

The center to center pile spacing, z, is designed to be 1.5 meters.

(z/b) = (1.5 m) / (0.356 m) = 4.21

Using the reduction factor table and linear interpolation:

reduction factor = 0.532

So,  $Q_m = 0.532 Q_m = 0.532 (88 \text{ kN}) = 47 \text{ kN}$ 

b. Method of installation.

No reduction is required for driven piles. So,  $Q_m = 47$  kN.

STEP 14 Compute the total lateral load capacity of the pile group.

The total lateral load capacity of the pile group is equal to the adjusted allowable load per pile from Step 13b times the number of piles.

Total Pile Group Lateral Load Capacity = 24 (47 kN) = 1,128 kN

However, this group lateral load <u>cannot</u> be acheived at the deflection limit required by the bridge division and therefore a lower group load must be used.

To meet the 10 mm deflection requirements, a design lateral load of 25 kN per pile must be used. This lateral load is less than desired. Therefore, the group capacity of 600 kN (24 piles at 25 kN/pile) is insufficient, and more piles would be required.

# F.4.2 COM624P Analysis - North Abutment

A COM624P analysis was performed to evaluate the lateral load capacity of the 356 mm square prestressed concrete pile at the North Abutment. The concrete pile was driven 11.5 m into the dense sand and gravel stratum as depicted in Figure F.3.

The North Abutment concrete pile was analyzed considering full fixity at the base of the pile cap. The geometric and elastic properties of the pile were input along with the relevant soil properties and stratigraphic information. Soil input parameters were obtained from Table 9-12. Moment-dependent flexural rigidity (concrete cracking effects) are included explicitly in the analyses. In order to rigorously evaluate the moment-stiffness relationship (implementing calculations via the PMEIX subroutine), the longitudinal reinforcement (4 No. 8 bars) was also characterized with respect to cross-section geometry and steel properties. The p-y curves were generated by the program assuming cyclic loading conditions were The program calculated internally the flexural rigidity along the pile as a function applied. of bending moment and axial force (assumed full 890 kN compression load) for each applied lateral load level. Ten equal 20 kN increments of load were applied to a maximum of 200 kN. For 40, 80, 120, 160, and 200 kN steps, the full sets of computed values were saved for presentation, while at the intermediate steps only the summary information was retained.

An echo print of the input file is presented on the following page. This is followed by the input and output summary of the PMEIX subroutine results for calculation of the ultimate bending resistance and flexural rigidity of the pile. Last, COM624P generated summaries of the problem input and output are provided. For selected lateral loads, Figures F.19 to F.22 provide graphical presentations of deflection, movement, shear, and soil reaction versus depth.

The COM624P solutions for the North abutment indicate the pile deflection under the 40 kN design load will be 3.8 mm. The corresponding maximum moment and shear stress are -55.6 m-kN and 14,700 kN/m<sup>2</sup>, respectively. The deflection, moment and shear stress under the design load are acceptable. Hence, the more rigorous COM624P analysis indicates a 40 kN design lateral load could be used whereas the Broms' method indicated only a 24.9 kN design load. Additional COM624P analyses should be performed to evaluate group response using the p-multiplier approach described in Section 9.8.4.

North Abutment - Echo of Input File

ULTIMATE BENDING RESISTANCE AND FLEXURIAL RIGIDITY . . . . . . . . . . . . . WIDTH = .36 M DEPTH = .36 M CONCRETE COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH = 41370.00 KN REBAR YIELD STRENGTH = 248220.00 KN/ M\*\*2 MODULUS OF ELASTICITY OF STEEL = 206850000.00 NUMBER OF REINFORCING BARS = 4 NUMBER OF ROWS OF REINFORCING BARS = 2 COVER THICKNESS = .076 M SOUASEL LOAD CAPACITY = 4810.00 KM KN/ M\*\*2 KN/ M\*\*2 COVER THICKNESS = .076 M SQUASH LOAD CAPACITY = 4812.99 KN AREA OF DISTANCE TO REINFORCEMENT CENTROIDAL AXIS M\*\*2 ROW NUMBER .000600 1 .1020 .000600 2 -.1020 OUTPUT RESULTS FOR AN AXIAL LOAD = 890.00 KN MAX STR M/M EI PHI KN-M\*\*2 1/M MOMENT N AXIS M-KN .00022 224.368 .00023 4.579 .00000 .000001 .000 .000 38.908 .00000 37020. 4.579 .000051 .00042 .001051 74.839 36489. .002051 .00058 .284 91.417 103.156 112.645 29963. .237 .003051 .00072 25464. 22302. .00085 .004051 .00097 .005051 .191 121.010 128.596 135.593 .006051 19998. .178 18238. .007051 .00119 .168 16842. .008051 .00129 .160 142.083 .009051 .00140 15698. .154 145.181 147.090 14444. 13310. .010051 .00149 .148 .142 148.618 12332. .012051 .00165 .137 .013051 149.678 11469. .133 10724. 150.685 .129 .00181 151.842 10088. .015051 .00189 .00197 .016051 .123 153.714 154.229 .017051 9015.0 8544.1 .00212 .00219 .00227 .018051 .118 154.441 8106.7 .115 .019051 155.064 7733.5 .020051 .113 7394.1 .021051 155.653 .00235 .112 7065.3 .00242 155.797 .110 .023051 156.165 .108 .024051 156.452 6505.0 .00258 .107 .025051 .026051 .027051 6245.4 156.452 .00266 .106 156.591 156.601 6010.9 5789.1 .00273 . 105 .00281 .104 .028051 156.970 156.970 5595.9 .103 5403.2 .00297 .102 5403.2 5223.4 5055.2 4897.5 4749.3 156.970 .030051 .00306 .102 156.970 .031051 .00314 .101 156.970 .032051 .00322 .100 156.970 .00329 .033051 .100 .00338 156.970 4609.8 .034051 .099 156.970 4478.3 .035051 .099 4354.1 156.970 .036051 .00354 .098 4236.6 156.970 .00363 .098 .037051 156.970 .038051 4125.2 .00371 .098 156.970 4019.6 .039051 .00380 .097 156.970 3919.2 .040051 .00388 .097

FHWA North Abut. - 355 mm-sq PSC Fixed-Head/Cyclic/Crack Modeled

#### Input and Output Summary from PMEIX Subroutine

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North Abutment - COM624P Problem Input Summary

FHWA North Abut. - 355 mm-sq PSC Fixed-Head/Cyclic/Crack Modeled

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	THE	OVERALL	LATER	AL FOR	CE Ī	[MBALANCE		=	.255	Ē-10	ΚN	

North Abutment - COM624P Problem Output

FHWA North Abut. - 355 mm-sq PSC Fixed-Head/Cyclic/Crack Modeled

#### UNITS--METR

### OUTPUT SUMMARY

PILE HEAD DEFLECTION = MAXIMUM BENDING MOMENT = MAXIMUM TOTAL STRESS =	.382E-02 M 556E+02 M- .147E+05 KN	KN / M**2		
NO. OF ITERATIONS MAXIMUM DEFLECTION ERROR	= 7 = .386E-06	М		
COMPUTED LATERAL FORCE AT COMPUTED SLOPE AT PILE HEA	PILE HEAD AD	= .6 = .0	0004E+02 0000E+00	KN M/ M
THE OVERALL MOMENT IMBALAN THE OVERALL LATERAL FORCE	NCE IMBALANCE	=6 =3	23E-02 M 67E-10 K	- KN N
PILE HEAD DEFLECTION = MAXIMUM BENDING MOMENT = MAXIMUM TOTAL STRESS =	.590E-02 M 890E+02 M- .192E+05 KN	KN / M**2		
NO. OF ITERATIONS MAXIMUM DEFLECTION ERROR	= 690E-06	М		
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# SUMMARY TABLE

LATERAL LOAD C (KN)	BOUNDARY CONDITION BC2	AXIAL LOAD ( KN)	YT ( M)	ST ( M/ M)	MAX. MOMENT (M-KN)	MAX. STRESS ( KN/ M**2)
.200E+02 .400E+02 .600E+02 .800E+02 .100E+03 .120E+03 .140E+03 .160E+03 .180E+03 .200E+03	.000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00	.890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03	.234E-02 .382E-02 .590E-02 .881E-02 .121E-01 .153E-01 .212E-01 .615E-01 .867E-01 .149F+00	.000E+00 189E-17 .000E+00 754E-17 .000E+00 .000E+00 .302E-16 .603E-16	234E+02 556E+02 890E+02 117E+03 139E+03 168E+03 218E+03 300E+03 362E+03 430E+03	.103E+05 .147E+05 .230E+05 .260E+05 .300E+05 .368E+05 .481E+05 .565E+05 .658E+05







Figure F.21: North Abutment - Plot of Shear versus Depth as a Function of Lateral Load



Lateral Load

# F.4.3 COM624P - Pier 2 H-pile, X-X Axis and Y-Y Axis

As discussed in Chapter 13, wave equation driveability analyses at the internal piers indicated a potential driveability problem for 356 mm concrete piles. Therefore, low displacement HP 360x152 H-piles were chosen for the pile foundations at the interior piers.

For the selected H-pile section at Pier 2, COM624P solutions for lateral loading in the major (X-X) and minor (Y-Y) axis directions were obtained. These analyses again assumed full fixity at the base of the pier. At Pier 2, it was assumed that near-surface scour protection prevented removal of materials below the pier base in this case. In the full design process a number of other variables such as partial rotational constraint or extreme scour depth could be evaluated. The presence of the extremely dense sand and gravel stratum in the upper 4 m of the soil profile introduced a considerably stiffer soil response in comparison with that modeled at the North Abutment. Table 9-13 only has dense sand, therefore the slope of soil modulus for this extremely dense sand and gravel was assumed to be 50,000 kN/m<sup>3</sup>. As in the previous example, the detailed results were saved only for every other lateral load increment up to the maximum lateral load evaluated of 220 kN.

COM624P analysis of lateral loading in the X-X and Y-Y axis are presented on the following pages. The analysis output includes an echo print of the input file followed by the COM624P generated summaries of the problem input and output. The output includes a summary table of deflection, moment, shear, and soil reaction versus lateral load. For selected lateral loads in the X-X axis, Figures F.23 to F.26 provide graphical presentations of deflection, moment, shear, and soil reaction versus depth. These graphical presentations for loads in the Y-Y axis are presented in Figure F.27 to F.30.

The COM624P analyses indicate the performance of the H-pile is acceptable when laterally loaded in either axis. The maximum deflection under the 40 kN design load is less than 2 mm.

Additional COM624P analyses should be performed to evaluate group response using the p-multiplier approach described in Section 9.8.4.

FHWA PIER2,	HP360X152	X-X AXIS/FI	XED-HEAD CYCLIC
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Pier 2 X-X Axis - Echo of Input File

FHWA PIER2, HP3	860X152 X-X A	XIS/FIXED-HE	EAD CYCLIC			
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	Х	DIAMETER	MOMENT OF		AREA	
	M . 00	М	M**4		M**2	
	14.00	.356	.400E-03		.194E-01	
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INPUT CODES OUTPT = 7 KCYCL = 7 KBC = 2 KPYOP = 7 INC = 2	1 2 2 1 2					

Pier 2 X-X Axis - COM624P Problem Input Summary

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FHWA PIER2, HP360X152 X-X AXIS/FIXED-HEAD CYCLIC

UNITS--METR

# OUTPUT INFORMATION

GENERATED P-Y CURVES THE NUMBER OF CURVE THE NUMBER OF POINTS	IS S ON EACH	CURVE	=	5 17	
DEPTH BELOW GS	DIAM	PHI	GAMMA	А	В
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## Pier 2 X-X Axis - COM624P Problem Output

FHWA PIER2, HP360X152 X-X AXIS/FIXED-HEAD CYCLIC

UNITS--METR

### PILE LOADING CONDITION

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÷ •	X M	DEFLECTION	MOMENT	TOTAL STRESS KN/ M**2	SHEAR	SOIL RESIST KN/ M	FLEXURAL RIGIDITY KN- M**2
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	ČŎMI The	PUTED SLOP Overail M	OMENT THRALA		=	.38722E-18	KN M/M
	THE	OVERALL L	ATERAL FORCE	IMBALANCE	=	.996E-11	r- kn KN

# Pier 2 X-X Axis - COM624P Problem Output

FHWA PIER2, HP360X152 X-X AXIS/FIXED-HEAD CYCLIC

UNITS--METR

#### OUTPUT SUMMARY

PILE HEAD DEFLECTION =	.819E-03 M
MAXIMUM BENDING MOMENT =	472E+02 M- KN
MAXIMUM TOTAL STRESS =	.669E+05 KN/ M**2
NO. OF ITERATIONS	= 5
MAXIMUM DEFLECTION ERROR	= .372E-05 M

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COMPUTED LATERAL FORCE AT PILE HEAD=.60000E+02KNCOMPUTED SLOPE AT PILE HEAD=.15489E-17M/ MTHE OVERALL MOMENT IMBALANCE=.102E-10M- KNTHE OVERALL LATERAL FORCE IMBALANCE=.102E-10KNPILE HEAD DEFLECTION=.151E-02MMAXIMUM BENDING MOMENT=.772E+02M- KNMAXIMUM TOTAL STRESS=.803E+05KN / M\*\*2NO. OF ITERATIONS=6MAXIMUM DEFLECTION ERROR=.434E-05

## SUMMARY TABLE

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LATERAL LOAD (KN)	BOUNDARY CONDITION BC2	AXIAL LOAD ( KN)	YT ( M)	ST ( M/ M)	MAX. MOMENT ( M- KN) (	MAX. STRESS KN/ M**2)
.400E+02 .600E+02 .800E+03 .100E+03 .120E+03 .140E+03 .160E+03 .180E+03 .200E+03	.000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00	.890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03	.819E-03 .151E-02 .231E-02 .322E-02 .419E-02 .524E-02 .636E-02 .753E-02 .874E-02 .874E-02	.387E-18 .155E-17 155E-17 310E-17 .000E+00 310E-17 .000E+00 310E-17 .000E+00	- 472E+02 - 772E+02 - 109E+03 - 142E+03 - 176E+03 - 211E+03 - 247E+03 - 283E+03 - 320E+03 - 357E+03	.669E+05 .803E+05 .944E+05 .109E+06 .124E+06 .140E+06 .156E+06 .172E+06 .188E+06 205E+06



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3.0000 4.0000					
5.0000 10					
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1 80 0 100	0000	0.000	0 890 0 890	.0000	
1 120 0 140	0000	0.000	D 890 D 890	.0000	
1 160 0 180	0.0000	0.000	0 890 0 890	.0000	
1 200 0 220	).0000	0.000	0 890 0 890	.0000	

UNITSMETR				
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14.00 SOILS INFORMATION X-COORDINATE AT THE SLOPE ANGLE AT THE G 2 LAYER(S) OF SOIL	GROUND SURFACE ROUND SURFACE	=	.00 M .00 DEG.	
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X AT THE TOP OF THE X AT THE BOTTOM OF T VARIATION OF SOIL MO	LAYER = HE LAYER = DULUS, k =	4.00 14.00 .339E+05	M M KN/ M**3	
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FINITE DIFFERENCE PARAME NUMBER OF PILE INCRE TOLERANCE ON DETERMI MAXIMUM NUMBER OF IT MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE DE	ETERS MENTS NATION OF DEFLE ERATIONS ALLOWE FLECTION	CTIONS D FOR PILE	= = ANALYSIS = =	100 .100E-04 M 100 .20E+01 M
INPUT CODES OUTPT = 1 KCYCL = 0 KBC = 2 KPYOP = 1 INC = 2				

FHWA PIER2, HP360X152 Y-Y AXIS/FIXED-HEAD CYCLIC

Pier 2 Y-Y Axis - COM624P Problem Input Summary

FHWA PIER2, HP360X152 Y-Y AXIS/FIXED-HEAD CYCLIC

UNITS--METR

## OUTPUT INFORMATION

DEPTH BELOW GS         DIAM M         PHI M         GAMMA KN/ M**3         A           1.00         .38         36.0         .1E+02         .97         .           Y         P         M         KN/ M         .000         .000           .001         21.842         .001         25.705         .002         28.274           .002         30.251         .003         31.880         .003         .31.880           .003         .31.880         .004         .34.502         .004         .34.502           .004         .34.502         .004         .34.502         .004         .35.602           .005         .37.518         .006         .38.367         .006         .39.160           .014         .50.660         .390         .50.660         .766         .50.660           .766         .50.660         .766         .50.660         .766         .50.660	GENERATED P-Y CURVES The Number of Curve The Number of Points	IS ON EACH	CURVE	=	5 17	
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### Pier 2 Y-Y Axis - COM624P Problem Output
UNITS--METR

### PILE LOADING CONDITION

	LAT SLO AXI	ERAL LOAD PE AT PILE AL LOAD AT	AT PILE HEAD HEAD PILE HEAD	= = =	.400E+02 .000E+00 .000E+00	KN M/M KN	
	X	DEFLECTION	MOMENT	TOTAL STRESS	SHEAR	SOIL RESIST	FLEXURAL RIGIDITY
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# Pier 2 Y-Y Axis - COM624P Problem Output

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OUTPUT SUMMARY

PILE HEAD DEFLECTION = .122E-02 M MAXIMUM BENDING MOMENT = .432E+02 M-KN MAXIMUM TOTAL STRESS = .865E+05 KN/M\*\*2 NO. OF ITERATIONS = .338E-05 M COMPUTED LATERAL FORCE AT PILE HEAD = .60000E+02 KN COMPUTED SLOPE AT PILE HEAD = .00000E+00 M/M THE OVERALL MOMENT IMBALANCE = .219E-11 M-KN THE OVERALL LATERAL FORCE IMBALANCE = .107E-10 KN PILE HEAD DEFLECTION = .232E-02 M MAXIMUM BENDING MOMENT = .713E+02 M-KN MAXIMUM TOTAL STRESS = .113E+06 KN/M\*\*2 NO. OF ITERATIONS = .7 MAXIMUM DEFLECTION ERROR = .465E-05 M \*\*\*

## SUMMARY TABLE

LATERAL LOAD ( (KN)	BOUNDARY CONDITION BC2	AXIAL LOAD ( KN)	YT ( M)	ST ( M/ M)	MAX. MOMENT ( M- KN) (	MAX. STRESS KN/ M**2)
.400E+02 .600E+02 .800E+03 .120E+03 .140E+03 .160E+03 .180E+03 .200E+03 .200E+03	.000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00	.890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03	. 122E - 02 .232E - 02 .362E - 02 .509E - 02 .668E - 02 .839E - 02 .102E - 01 .121E - 01 .140E - 01 .160E - 01	774E-18 .000E+00 .310E-17 .310E-17 .000E+00 .000E+00 .620E-17 .620E-17 .000E+00	432E+02 713E+02 101E+03 132E+03 164E+03 197E+03 231E+03 264E+03 298E+03 333E+03	.865E+05 .113E+06 .141E+06 .200E+06 .231E+06 .263E+06 .294E+06 .326E+06 .359E+06



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## F.4.4 COM624P - Pier 3 H-pile, X-X Axis and Y-Y Axis

As discussed in Chapter 13, wave equation driveability analyses at the internal piers indicated a potential driveability problem for 356 mm concrete piles. Therefore, low displacement HP 360x152 H-piles were chosen for the pile foundations at the interior piers.

COM624P solutions for lateral loading of the selected H-pile section at Pier 3 in both the major (X-X) and minor (Y-Y) axes directions were also obtained. The same assumptions used for Pier 2 also apply to Pier 3. The four meter extremely dense sand and gravel layer at Pier 2 decreases to one meter at Pier 3 location. The same assumed slope soil modulus (50,000 kN/m<sup>3</sup>) was used for the extremely dense sand and gravel layer. Soil parameters for the cohesive soil layers were obtained from Tables 9-12 and 9-13.

COM624P analysis of lateral loading in the X-X and Y-Y axes are presented on the following pages. The analysis output includes an echo print of the input file followed by the COM624P generated summaries of the problem input and output. The output includes a summary table of deflection, moment, shear, and soil reaction versus lateral load. For selected lateral loads in the X-X axis, Figures F.31 to F.34 provide graphical presentations of deflection, moment, shear, and soil reaction versus depth. These graphical presentations for loads in the Y-Y axis are presented in Figure F.35 to F.38. Note, the maximum lateral load analyzed was only 170 kN because a sudden failure occurred at 180 kN.

The COM624P analyses indicate the performance of the H-pile subjected to lateral loading is acceptable in either axis. The maximum deflection under the 40 kN design load is less than 1 mm.

Additional COM624P analyses should be performed to evaluate group response using the p-multiplier approach described in Section 9.8.4.

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# Pier 3 X-X Axis - Echo of Input File

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Pier 3 X-X Axis - COM624P Problem Input Summary

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## OUTPUT INFORMATION

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### Pier 3 X-X Axis - COM624P Problem Output

UNITS--METR

### PILE LOADING CONDITION

LATERAL LOAD AT	PILE HEAD	=	.400E+02	KN	
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AXIAL LOAD AT P	ILE HEAD	=	.000E+00	KN	
X DEFLECTION M M	MOMENT M- KN	TOTAL STRESS KN/ M**2	SHEAR KN	SOIL RESIST KN/ M	FLEXURAL RIGIDITY KN- M**2
.00 .646E+03 .26 .629E+03 .52 .586E+03 .78 .523E+03 1.04 .450E+03 1.30 .372E+03 1.30 .372E+03 2.08 .163E+03 2.08 .163E+03 2.08 .163E+03 2.08 .163E+03 2.08 .163E+03 2.08 .163E+04 3.12 .133E+04 3.12 .133E+04 3.12 .133E+04 3.38 -253E+05 3.64 .123E+04 4.16 .189E+04 4.16 .189E+04 4.16 .189E+04 4.16 .189E+04 4.68 .162E+04 4.468 .162E+04 4.68 .162E+04 5.20 .106E+04 5.20 .106E+04 5.46 .791E+05 5.72 .551E+05 5.598 .353E+05 6.24 .198E+05 6.50 .840E+06 6.50 .840E+06 6.50 .840E+06 7.28 .707E+06 7.54 .811E+06 7.54 .811E+06 7.54 .811E+06 7.54 .811E+06 7.54 .811E+06 8.58 .494E+06 8.58 .494E+06 8.58 .494E+06 8.58 .494E+06 8.58 .494E+06 8.58 .494E+06 9.62 .101E+06 9.62 .101E+06 9.62 .101E+06 9.62 .101E+06 9.62 .101E+06 9.62 .101E+06 9.62 .101E+06 9.66 .296E+07 10.14 .917E+08 10.40 .296E+07 11.44 .341E+07 11.44 .341E+07 11.96 .230E+07 11.44 .341E+07 11.96 .230E+07 11.96 .230E+07 11.96 .230E+07 11.96 .230E+07 12.22 .164E+07 12.48 .957E+08 13.00 .408E+08	440E+02 336E+02 234E+02 234E+02 497E+01 .7165E+02 .123E+02 .123E+02 .123E+02 .127E+02 .127E+02 .127E+02 .127E+02 .127E+02 .128E+01 .7686E+01 .586E+01 .428E+01 .281E+01 .428E+00 188E+00 188E+00 510E+00 510E+00 510E+00 279E+00 361E+00 279E+00 138E+00 279E+00 138E+00 279E+00 236E-01 .226E-01 .226E-01 .226E-01 .226E-01 .206E-01 .206E-01 .206E-01 .206E-02 .445E-02 .679E-02 .445E-02 .679E-02 .445E-02 .679E-02 .445E-02 .679E-02 .445E-02 .679E-02 .445E-02 .188E-04 .200E+04	**************************************	**************************************	**************************************	**************************************
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Pier 3 X-X Axis - COM624P Problem Output

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### OUTPUT SUMMARY

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# SUMMARY TABLE

LATERAL LOAD C (KN)	BOUNDARY CONDITION BC2	AXIAL LOAD ( KN)	YT ( M)	ST ( M/ M)	MAX. MOMENT ( M- KN) (	MAX. STRESS KN/ M**2)
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### Pier 3 X-X Axis - COM624P Problem Output









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# Pier 3 Y-Y Axis - Echo of Input File

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Pier 3 Y-Y Axis - COM624P Problem Input Summary

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AS =.58	AC =.30	Y, M .000 .000 .001 .001 .001 .001 .002 .002	P, KN .00 12.6 25.3 38.0 50.7 63.4 76.1 88.8 101.5 114.2 119.1 112.2 80.1 48.0 15.8	I/ M 997 994 992 899 886 883 881 755 883 755 883 757 166 76	
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### Pier 3 Y-Y Axis - COM624P Problem Output

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PILE LOADING CONDITION

	LAT SLO AXI	ERAL LOAD PE AT PILE AL LOAD AT	AT PILE HEAD HEAD PILE HEAD	=	.400E+02 .000E+00 .000E+00	KN M/M KN	
	X I M	DEFLECTION	MOMENT M. KN	TOTAL STRESS	SHEAR	SOIL RESIST	FLEXURAL RIGIDITY
1111122233334444455556666777788888999990000111112223	00000000000000000000000000000000000000	.932E-03 .932E-03 .824E-03 .714E-03 .589E-03 .462E-03 .342E-03 .342E-03 .342E-03 .342E-03 .342E-04 .467E-05 .150E-04 .467E-05 .150E-04 .248E-04 .248E-04 .221E-04 .222E-07 .102E-05 .115E-05 .222E-07 .102E-06 .224E-06 .224E-07 .161E-07 .260E-07 .108E-07 .260E-07 .108E-07 .260E-07 .108E-07 .260E-08 .309E-08 .331E-08 .349E-08	401E+02 297E+02 195E+02 980E+01 123E+01 .524E+01 .116E+02 .121E+02 .121E+02 .121E+02 .987E+01 .801E+01 .608E+01 .429E+01 .553E+00 545E-01 .553E+00 545E-01 .554E+00 560E+00 560E+00 560E+00 560E+00 515E+00 515E+00 733E-01 .294E-01 .294E-01 .294E-01 .294E-01 .294E-01 .294E-01 .294E-01 .294E-01 .294E-01 .294E-01 .294E-01 .294E-01 .294E-01 .294E-01 .294E-01 .294E-01 .294E-01 .294E-01 .294E-02 .633E-02 .588E-03 .588E-03 .595E-03 .595E-03 .2	**************************************	**************************************		**************************************
	THE	OVERALL MC	MENT IMBALA	NCE IMBALANCE	=	.332E-11 M .155E-11 I	м/м I-KN KN

# Pier 3 Y-Y Axis - COM624P Problem Output

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OUTPUT SUMMARY

PILE HEAD DEFLECTION =	.932E-03	M
MAXIMUM BENDING MOMENT =	401E+02	M- KN
MAXIMUM TOTAL STRESS =	.835E+05	KN/ M**2
NO. OF ITERATIONS	=	5
MAXIMUM DEFLECTION ERROR	= .573E-(	05 M

COMPUTED LATERAL FORCE AT PILE HEAD= .60000E+02 KN<br/>= .83400E-18 M/ MCOMPUTED SLOPE AT PILE HEAD= .83400E-18 M/ MTHE OVERALL MOMENT IMBALANCE<br/>THE OVERALL LATERAL FORCE IMBALANCE= -.948E-11 M- KN<br/>= .160E-10 KNPILE HEAD DEFLECTION<br/>MAXIMUM BENDING MOMENT = -.620E+02 M<br/>MAXIMUM TOTAL STRESS<br/>= .104E+06 KN/ M\*\*2NO. OF ITERATIONS<br/>MAXIMUM DEFLECTION ERROR<br/>= .783E-05 M

# SUMMARY TABLE

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LATERAL LOAD C (KN)	BOUNDARY ONDITION BC2	AXIAL LOAD ( KN)	YT ( M)	ST ( M/ M)	MAX. MOMENT ( M- KN) (	MAX. STRESS KN/ M**2)
.400E+02 .600E+02 .800E+03 .120E+03 .130E+03 .130E+03 .140E+03 .150E+03 .160E+03 .170E+03	.000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00	.890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03	.932E - 03 .147E - 02 .202E - 02 .258E - 02 .313E - 02 .343E - 02 .383E - 02 .436E - 02 .514E - 02 .638E - 02	.000E+00 .834E-18 167E-17 167E-17 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .000E+00 .334E-17 334E-17	401E+02 620E+02 840E+02 106E+03 128E+03 140E+03 153E+03 167E+03 185E+03 207E+03	.835E+05 .104E+06 .125E+06 .146E+06 .166E+06 .166E+06 .189E+06 .203E+06 .219E+06 .240E+06

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# F.4.5 COM624P Analysis - South Abutment

A COM624P analysis was performed to evaluate the performance of the 356 mm square prestressed concrete pile under lateral load at the South abutment. Unlike the North Abutment, the soil at the South abutment consists of only cohesive type. Again, soil parameters were obtained from Tables 9-12 and 9-13.

The same assumptions and analysis options as the North abutment were used. Ten lateral loads were analyzed, as follows: 20, 40, 60, 80, 90, 100, 110, 120, 130, and 140 kN. However, for presentation only the 40, 80, 100, 120, and 140 kN were retained. Note, a sudden failure occurred when the lateral load exceed 140 kN.

An echo print of the input file is presented on the following page. This is followed by the input and output summary of the PMEIX subroutine results for calculation of the ultimate bending resistance and flexural rigidity of the pile. Last, COM624P generated summaries of the problem input and output are provided. For selected lateral loads, Figures F.39 to F.42 provide graphical presentations of deflection, movement, shear, and soil reaction versus depth.

The COM624P solutions for the South abutment indicate the pile deflection under the 40 kN design load will be 2.5 mm. The corresponding maximum moment and shear stress are -46.1 m-kN and 13,400 kN/m<sup>2</sup>, respectively. The deflection, moment and shear stress under the design load are acceptable.

Additional COM624P analyses should be performed to evaluate group response using the p-multiplier approach described in Section 9.8.4.

FHWA South Abut	355 mm-s	q PSC I	Fixed-Head/Cyc	lic/Crack	Modeled
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South Abutment - Echo of Input File

FHWA South Abut. - 355 mm-sq PSC Fixed-Head/Cyclic/Crack Modeled UNITS--METR

\*\*\*\*\*\*\* \*\*\*\*\*\* ULTIMATE BENDING RESISTANCE AND FLEXURIAL RIGIDITY WIDTH = .36 M DEPTH = .36 M CONCRETE COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH = 41370.00 KN/ M\*\*2 REBAR YIELD STRENGTH = 248220.00 KN/ M\*\*2 MODULUS OF ELASTICITY OF STELL = 206850000.00 KN/ NUMBER OF REINFORCING BARS = 4 NUMBER OF ROWS OF REINFORCING BARS = 2 COVER THICKNESS = .076 M SQUASH LOAD CAPACITY = 4812.99 KN KN/ M\*\*2 ROW AREA OF REINFORCEMENT DISTANCE TO CENTROIDAL AXIS NUMBER M\*\*2 1 .000600 .1020 2 .000600 -.1020 OUTPUT RESULTS FOR AN AXIAL LOAD = 890.00 KN MOMENT ΕI PHI MAX STR N AXIS KN- M\*\*2 M- KN 1/ M M/ M М .000 .00000 .000001 .00022 224.368 .000 .00000 .000051 .00023 4.579 .398 .284 37020. 36489. 38.908 .001051 .00042 74.839 .00058 91.417 103.156 29963. 25464. .003051 .237 .004051 .00085 .209 112.645 22302. .005051 .00097 .191 19998. .006051 00108 .178 128.596 135.593 142.083 18238. .007051 .00119 .168 16842. .008051 .00129 .160 15698. .009051 .00140 . 154 145.181 .00149 14444. .010051 .148 13310. 12332. .011051 .00157 .142 148.618 .00165 .137 149.678 150.685 11469. .013051 .00173 . 133 10724. .014051 .00181 .129 151.842 152.586 153.714 154.229 10088. .015051 .126 .00189 9506.3 .016051 .00197 9015.0 .017051 .00205 .120 8544.1 .018051 .00212 .118 154.441 155.064 8106.7 7733.5 .019051 .00219 .115 .020051 .00227 .113 155.653 7394.1 7065.3 .021051 .00235 .112 .022051 .00242 .110 6774.8 156.165 .00250 .108 6505.0 156.452 .024051 .00258 .107 156.452 6245.4 .025051 .00266 .106 156.591 6010.9 .026051 .00273 .105 156.601 156.970 5789.1 5595.9 .027051 .00281 .104 .028051 .00289 .103 156.970 156.970 156.970 .029051 5403.2 .00297 .102 5223.4 5055.2 .030051 .00306 .102 .031051 .00314 . 101 156.970 4897.5 .032051 .00322 .100 156.970 156.970 4749.3 .033051 .00329 .100 4609.8 .034051 .00338 .099 156.970 4478.3 .035051 .00346 .099 4354.1 156.970 .036051 .00354 .098 4236.6 4125.2 156.970 .037051 .00363 .098 156.970 .038051 .00371 .098 156.970 4019.6 .039051 00380 .097 156.970 3919.2 .040051 .00388 .097

THE ULTIMATE BENDING MOMENT AT A CONCRETE STRAIN OF 0.003 IS : .157E+03 M- KN

Input and Output Summary from PMEIX Subroutine

UNITSMETR					
*********** PILE DEFLE( *********	CTION, BENDING I N P U T	MOMENT, SHE, 	AR & SOIL F	RESISTANCE N	
THE LOADING IS NO. OF CYCLES : PILE GEOMETRY / PILE LENGTI MODULUS OF	CYCLIC = .20E+02 AND PROPERTIES H ELASTICITY OF 1 SECTION	= PILE = (\$)	21.00   .278E+08	M KN/ M**2	
	X M	DIAMETER M	MOMENT OF INERTIA M**4	AREA M**2	
	.00 21.00	.355	.130E-02	.126E+00	
SOILS INFORMAT X-COORDINA SLOPE ANGL 3 LAYER(S) LAYER 1	ION TE AT THE GROU E AT THE GROUN OF SOIL	IND SURFACE	= =	.00 M .00 DEG.	
THE LAYER X AT THE T X AT THE B VARIATION LAYER 2	IS A SOFT CLAY OP OF THE LAYE OTTOM OF THE L OF SOIL MODULU	, :R = .AYER = JS, k =	.00 5.50 .272E+05	M M KN/ M**3	
THE LAYER X AT THE T X AT THE B VARIATION LAYER 3	IS A STIFF CLA OP OF THE LAYE OTTOM OF THE L OF SOIL MODULU	Y BELOW THE R = AYER = JS, k =	WATER TABLE 5.50 15.00 .543E+05	M M KN/ M**3	
THE LAYER X AT THE T X AT THE B VARIATION DISTRIBUTI	IS A STIFF CLA OP OF THE LAYE OTTOM OF THE L OF SOIL MODULU ON OF EFFECTIV	AY BELOW THE R = AYER = JS, k = <u>/E_UNIT WEIG</u> H	WATER TABLE 15.00 21.00 .109E+06 IT WITH DEPT	M M KN/ M**3 H	
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DISTRIBUTI	ON OF STRENGTI 6 PO	H PARAMETERS	WITH DEPTH		
	X, M 00 5.50 5.50 15.00 15.00 21.00	C, KN/ M**2 .330E+02 .330E+02 .930E+02 .930E+02 .930E+02 .161E+03 .161E+03	PHI,DEGR .000 .000 .000 .000 .000 .000	EES E50 .100E-01 .700E-01 .700E-02 .700E-02 .500E-02 .500E-02	
FINITE DIFFERE NUMBER OF TOLERANCE MAXIMUM NL MAXIMUM NL INPUT CODES OUTPT = KCYCL =	NCE PARAMETERS PILE INCREMEN ON DETERMINAT JMBER OF ITERA LOWABLE DEFLEC 1 0	S TS ION OF DEFLEC TIONS ALLOWED CTION	CTIONS D FOR PILE A	= .1( NALYSIS = .	100 DOE-05 M 100 10E+01 M
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FHWA South Abut. - 355 mm-sq PSC Fixed-Head/Cyclic/Crack Modeled

South Abutment - COM624P Problem Input Summary

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OUTPUT INFORMATION

NERATED P-Y CURVES THE NUMBER OF CURVE IS THE NUMBER OF POINTS ON EACH CURVE					
DEPTH BELOW GS M 1.00	DIAM M .355	C KN/ M**2 .3E+02	GAMMA KN/M* .9E+C	E5 **3 01 .100	0 E-01
		Y, M .000 .002 .004 .007 .009 .011 .013 .016 .018 .020 .022 .024 .022 .024 .027 .071 .133 .178	F	<pre>P, KN/ M .000 5.491 17.296 21.791 24.945 27.456 29.576 31.429 33.086 33.592 35.977 37.263 38.466 39.598 27.695 11.118 11.118</pre>	
COMPUTED LATERAL FO	ORCE AT P	ILE HEAD	=	.19997E+0	)2 KN
THE COMPUTED HORIZONTAL	FORCE A	RNING ****	HEAD EXC	CEEDS	
TOLERANCE. THE ERROR COMPUTED SLOPE AT I	IS .154 PILE HEAD	E - 03	=	10326E-1	7 M/M
THE OVERALL MOMENT THE OVERALL LATERAN	IMBALANC FORCE I	E MBALANCE	=	.243E-02 271E-12	M- KN KN
THE OVERALL I	MOMENT IM	RNING **** BALANCE EXC	EEDS TO	LERANCE	
PILE HEAD DEFLECTION MAXIMUM BENDING MON MAXIMUM TOTAL STRE	ON = MENT = - SS =	.101E-02 M .158E+02 M .923E+04 K	  - KN (N/ M**2		
NO. OF ITERATIONS MAXIMUM DEFLECTION	= ERROR =	13 688E-06	B 5 M		
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South Abutment - COM624P Problem Output

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PILE LOADING CONDITION

	LAT SLO AXI	ERAL LOAD PE AT PILE AL LOAD AT	AT PILE HEAD HEAD PILE HEAD	= = =	.400E+02 .000E+00 .000E+00	KN M/M KN	
± ± .	X I	DEFLECTION	MOMENT	TOTAL STRESS KN/ M**2	SHEAR KN	SOIL RESIST KN/ M	FLEXURAL RIGIDITY KN- M**2
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	THE	OVERALL M	OMENT IMBALA		=	.619E-04 N	1. KN
	1115	OVERALL L	AICHAL FURCE	IMPALANCE	= -	.366E-11 k	(N

South Abutment - COM624P Problem Output

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#### OUTPUT SUMMARY

PILE HEAD DE MAXIMUM BEND MAXIMUM TOTA	FLECTION = ING MOMENT = L STRESS =	.254E-02 461E+02 .134E+05	M M- KN KN/ M**2		
NO. OF ITERA MAXIMUM DEFL	TIONS ECTION ERROR	= .679E-	14 06 M		
COMPUTED LAT COMPUTED SLO	ERAL FORCE AT PE AT PILE HE	PILE HEAD AD	=	.59997E+02 .00000E+00	KN M/ M
THE OVERALL THE OVERALL	MOMENT IMBALA LATERAL FORCE	NCE IMBALANCE	= =	.380E-02 M- .222E-11 KN	KN
PILE HEAD DE MAXIMUM BEND MAXIMUM TOTA	FLECTION = ING MOMENT = L STRESS =	.490E-02 809E+02 .181E+05	M M- KN KN/ M**2		
NO. OF ITERA MAXIMUM DEFL	TIONS ECTION ERROR	= = .652E-	14 06 M		
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# SUMMARY TABLE

	LATERAL LOAD (KN)	BOUNDARY CONDITION BC2	AXIAL LOAD ( KN)	YT ( M)	ST (M/M)	MAX. MOMENT ( M- KN)	MAX. STRESS ( KN/ M**2)
	.200E+02 .400E+02 .600E+02 .800E+02 .900E+02	2 .000E+00 2 .000E+00 2 .000E+00 2 .000E+00 2 .000E+00	.890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03	.101E-02 .254E-02 .490E-02 .847E-02 .105E-01	103E-17 .000E+00 .000E+00 .413E-17 .413E-17	158E+02 461E+02 809E+02 111E+03 122E+03	.923E+04 .134E+05 .181E+05 .222E+05 .238E+05 .255E+05
(1,1,2,2,2,2,2,2,2,2,2,2,2,2,2,2,2,2,2,2	.110E+03 .120E+03 .130E+03 .130E+03	3 .000E+00 3 .000E+00 3 .000E+00 3 .000E+00 3 .000E+00	.890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03 .890E+03	. 157E-01 .177E-01 .216E-01 .262E-01	.000E+00 .000E+00 .826E-17 .826E-17	149E+03 168E+03 187E+03 215E+03	.274E+05 .301E+05 .326E+05 .364E+05

### South Abutment - COM624P Problem Output







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## F.5 GROUP UPLIFT LOAD CALCULATIONS

The maximum uplift load on a pile group is estimated to be 1,800 kN with a maximum uplift load per pile of 100 kN.

## F.5.1 North Abutment - AASHTO Code (1994)

For the pile group at the North Abutment and the soil profile interpreted from Soil Boring S-1 as shown in Figure F.3. Perform an uplift capacity calculations based on the AASHTO Code for service load design. Use the method outlined in Section 9.8.3.1.

According to AASHTO specifications (1994), the uplift capacity of a pile group should be limited to the lesser value determined from any of the following.

 The design uplift capacity of a single pile times the number of piles in a pile group. The design uplift capacity of a single pile is specified as 1/3 the ultimate shaft resistance calculated in a static analysis method or 1/2 the failure load determined from an uplift load test.

The ultimate shaft resistance for a single pile as calculated from a static analysis using the Nordlund method is 898 kN. The design uplift capacity is:

- = 1/3 (ultimate shaft resistance)
- = 1/3 (898 kN)
- = 299 kN

The design group uplift capacity based on criterion 1 is:

- = (uplift capacity of a single pile) (number of piles in a group)
- = 299 kN (24)
- = 7,176 kN

North Abutment - AASHTO Code (1994) (continued)

2. Two-thirds (%) of the effective weight of the pile group and the soil contained within a block defined by the perimeter of the pile group and the embedded length of the piles.

Bouyant unit weight of concrete =  $24 \text{ kN/m}^3$  -  $9.8 \text{ kN/m}^3$  =  $14.2 \text{ kN/m}^3$ 

Effective weight of pile group (24 piles):

= 497 kN

Effective weight of soil:

= (Layer 1+Layer 2+Layer 3) (Gross Area of Pile Group - Pile Area)

=  $[16.5 \text{ kN/m}^3 (1.0 \text{ m}) + 6.7 \text{ kN/m}^3 (3.0 \text{ m}) + 7.8 \text{ kN/m}^3 (7.0 \text{ m}) +$ 

9.8 kN/m<sup>3</sup> (0.5 m) ] { (3.36 m) (10.86 m) - 24 (0.356 m) (0.356 m) }

=  $[16.5 \text{ kN/m}^2 + 20.1 \text{ kN/m}^2 + 54.6 \text{ kN/m}^2 + 4.9 \text{ kN/m}^2]{36.49 \text{ m}^2 - 3.04 \text{ m}^2}$ 

=  $[96.1 \text{ kN/m}^2]$  { 33.45 m<sup>2</sup> } = 3,215 kN

The effective weight of the pile group and the soil contained within a block defined by the perimeter of the pile group and the embedded length of the pile is equal to 497 kN plus 3,215 kN, or 3,712 kN.

The design group uplift capacity based on criterion 2 is:

= ⅔ (3,712 kN)

= 2,475 kN

North Abutment - AASHTO Code (1994) (continued)

3. One-half (1/2) the effective weight of the pile group and the soil contained within a block defined by the perimeter of the pile group and the embedded pile length plus 1/2 the total soil shear resistance on the peripheral surface of the pile group.

The effective weight of the pile group and the soil contained within a block defined by the perimeter of the pile group, as calculated in criteria 2 above, is equal to 3,712 kN.

The total soil shear resistance on the peripheral surface of the pile group is calculated from the following equation.

Unit shear resistance of cohesionless soil =  $p_d \tan \phi$ 

Where:

 $p_d$  is the effective overburden stress at depth d, and

 $\phi$  is the friction angle of the soil.

Note:  $p_d \tan \phi$  is used for a soil-to-soil failure.

As calculated in Section F.2.1.2:

Layer 1a:  $p_{d1a} = 57.8 \text{ kPa}$  (midpoint of layer 1a - 1 m thick)  $\phi_{1a} = 29^{\circ}$ Layer 1b:  $p_{d1b} = 76.1 \text{ kPa}$  (midpoint of layer 1b - 3 m thick)  $\phi_{1b} = 29^{\circ}$ Layer 2:  $p_{d2} = 113.4 \text{ kPa}$  (midpoint of layer 2 - 7 m thick)  $\phi_2 = 31^{\circ}$  North Abutment - AASHTO Code (1994) (continued)

Layer 3: 
$$p_{d3} = 143.1 \text{ kPa}$$
 (midpoint of layer 3 - 0.5 m thick)  
 $\phi_3 = 36^{\circ}$   
Thus,  
Layer 1a:  $R_{s1a} = 57.8 \text{ kPa}$  (tan 29°) (3.36 m + 10.86 m) (1 m) (2)  
 $= 911 \text{ kN}$   
Layer 1b:  $R_{s1a} = 76.1 \text{ kPa}$  (tan 29°) (3.36 m + 10.86 m) (3 m) (2)  
 $= 3,599 \text{ kN}$   
Layer 2:  $R_{s2} = 113.4 \text{ kPa}$  (tan 31°) (3.36 m + 10.86 m) (7 m) (2)  
 $= 13,565 \text{ kN}$   
Layer 3:  $R_{s3} = 143.1 \text{ kPa}$  (tan 36°) (3.36 m + 10.86 m) (0.5 m) (2)  
 $= 1,478 \text{ kN}$   
Total soil shear resistance  $= R_{s1a} + R_{s1b} + R_{s2} + R_{s3}$ 

= 911 kN + 3,599 kN + 13,565 kN + 1,478 kN

= 19,553 kN

The design group uplift capacity based on criterion 3 is:

$$= \frac{1}{2} (3,712 \text{ kN}) + \frac{1}{2} (19,553 \text{ kN})$$

= 1,856 kN + 9,777 kN = 11,633 kN

According to AASHTO specifications (1994), the uplift capacity of this pile group is limited to 2,475 kN. This is greater than the maximum uplift load in the pile group of 1,800 kN.

#### F.5.2 Pier 2 - AASHTO Code (1994)

For the pile group at Pier 2 and the soil profile interpreted from Soil Boring S-2 as shown in Figure F.5. Perform an uplift capacity calculations based on the AASHTO Code for service load design. Use the method outlined in Section 9.8.3.1.

According to AASHTO specifications (1994), the uplift capacity of a pile group should be limited to the lesser value determined from any of the following.

 The design uplift capacity of a single pile times the number of piles in a pile group. The design uplift capacity of a single pile is specified as 1/3 the ultimate shaft resistance calculated in a static analysis method or 1/2 the failure load determined from an uplift load test.

The ultimate shaft resistance for a single pile as calculated from a static analysis using the Nordlund method is 984 kN. The design uplift capacity is:

- $= \frac{1}{3}$  (ultimate shaft resistance)
- $= \frac{1}{3} (984 \text{ kN})$
- = 328 kN

The design group uplift capacity based on criterion 1 is:

- = (uplift capacity of a single pile) (number of piles in a group)
- = 328 kN (24)
- = 7,872 kN

Pier 2 - AASHTO Code (1994) (continued)

2. Two-thirds (%) of the effective weight of the pile group and the soil contained within a block defined by the perimeter of the pile group and the embedded length of the piles.

Effective weight of pile group (24 piles):

$$=$$
 24 (0.356 m) (0.356 m) (10.0 m) (24 kN/m<sup>3</sup> - 9.8 kN/m<sup>3</sup>)

= 432 kN

Effective weight of soil:

=  $[11.4 \text{ kN/m}^3 (4.0 \text{ m}) + 9.8 \text{ kN/m}^3 (6.0 \text{ m})]$ 

{ (3.36 m) (10.86 m) - 24 (0.356 m) (0.356 m) }

= 
$$[45.6 \text{ kN/m}^2 + 58.8 \text{ kN/m}^2]{36.49 \text{ m}^2 - 3.04 \text{ m}^2}$$

= 
$$[104.4 \text{ kN/m}^2] \{ 33.45 \text{ m}^2 \}$$

= 3,492 kN

The effective weight of the pile group and the soil contained within a block defined by the perimeter of the pile group and the embedded length of the pile is equal to 432 kN plus 3,492 kN, or 3,924 kN.

The design group uplift capacity based on criterion 2 is:

- = <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> (3,924 kN)
- = 2,616 kN

#### Pier 2 - AASHTO Code (1994) (continued)

3. One-half (<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>) the effective weight of the pile group and the soil contained within a block defined by the perimeter of the pile group and the embedded pile length plus <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> the total soil shear resistance on the peripheral surface of the pile group.

The effective weight of the pile group and the soil contained within a block defined by the perimeter of the pile group, as calculated in criteria 2 above, is equal to 3,924 kN.

The total soil shear resistance on the peripheral surface of the pile group is calculated from the following equation.

Unit shear resistance of cohesionless soil =  $p_d \tan \phi$ 

Where:

p<sub>d</sub> is the effective overburden stress at depth d, and

 $\phi$  is the friction angle of the soil.

Note:  $p_d \tan \phi$  is used for a soil-to-soil failure.

As calculated in Section F.2.2.2:

Layer 1: 
$$p_{d1} = 48.3 \text{ kPa}$$
 (midpoint of layer 1 - 4 m thick)  
 $\phi_1 = 36^{\circ}$   
Layer 2:  $p_{d2} = 100.5 \text{ kPa}$  (midpoint of layer 2 - 6 m thick)  
 $\phi_2 = 35^{\circ}$ 

Pier 2 - AASHTO Code (1994) (continued)

Thus,

Layer 1:  $R_{s1} = 48.3 \text{ kPa} (\tan 36^{\circ}) (3.36 \text{ m} + 10.86 \text{ m}) (4 \text{ m}) (2)$ = 3,992 kN Layer 2:  $R_{s2} = 100.5 \text{ kPa} (\tan 35^{\circ}) (3.36 \text{ m} + 10.86 \text{ m}) (6 \text{ m}) (2)$ = 12,008 kN

Total soil shear resistance =  $R_{s1} + R_{s2}$ 

= 3,992 kN + 12,008 kN

= 16,000 kN

The design group uplift capacity based on criterion 3 is:

 $= \frac{1}{2} (3,924 \text{ kN}) + \frac{1}{2} (16,000 \text{ kN})$ 

= 9,962 kN

According to AASHTO specifications (1994), the uplift capacity of this pile group is limited to 2,616 kN. This is greater than the maximum uplift load in the pile group of 1,800 kN.

## F.5.3 Pier 3 - AASHTO Code (1994)

For the pile group at Pier 3 and the soil profile interpreted from Soil Boring S-3 as shown in Figure F.9. Perform an uplift capacity calculations based on the AASHTO Code for service load design. Use the method outlined in Section 9.8.3.1.

According to AASHTO specifications (1994), the uplift capacity of a pile group should be limited to the lesser value determined from any of the following.

 The design uplift capacity of a single pile times the number of piles in a pile group. The design uplift capacity of a single pile is specified as 1/3 the ultimate shaft resistance calculated in a static analysis method or 1/2 the failure load determined from an uplift load test.

The ultimate shaft resistance for a single pile as calculated from a static analysis using the Nordlund method and  $\alpha$ -Method is 1,171 kN. The design uplift capacity is:

- $= \frac{1}{3}$  (ultimate shaft resistance)
- $= \frac{1}{3} (1,171 \text{ kN})$
- = 390 kN

The design group uplift capacity based on criterion 1 is:

- = (uplift capacity of a single pile) (number of piles in a group)
- = 390 kN (24)

= 9,360 kN

Pier 3 - AASHTO Code (1994) (continued)

2. Two-thirds (%) of the effective weight of the pile group and the soil contained within a block defined by the perimeter of the pile group and the embedded length of the piles.

Effective weight of pile group (24 piles):

$$=$$
 24 (0.356 m) (0.356 m) (13.0 m) (24 kN/m<sup>3</sup> - 9.8 kN/m<sup>3</sup>)

= 562 kN

Effective weight of soil:

= [ 133.6 kN/m<sup>2</sup> ] { 33.45 m<sup>2</sup> }

= 4,469 kN

The effective weight of the pile group and the soil contained within a block defined by the perimeter of the pile group and the embedded length of the pile is equal to 562 kN plus 4,469 kN, or 5,031 kN.

The design group uplift capacity based on criterion 2 is:

- = <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> ( 5,031 kN )
- = 3,354 kN

Pier 3 - AASHTO Code (1994) (continued)

3 One-half (1/2) the effective weight of the pile group and the soil contained within a block defined by the perimeter of the pile group and the embedded pile length plus 1/2 the total soil shear resistance on the peripheral surface of the pile group.

The effective weight of the pile group and the soil contained within a block defined by the perimeter of the pile group, as calculated in criteria 2 above, is equal to 5,031 kN.

The total soil shear resistance on the peripheral surface of the pile group is calculated from the following equation.

Unit shear resistance of cohesionless soil =  $p_d \tan \phi$ 

Unit shear resistance of cohesive soil =  $c_u$ 

Where:

p<sub>d</sub> is the effective overburden stress at depth d,

 $\phi$  is the friction angle of the soil, and

c<sub>u</sub> is the average undrained shear strength of the soil.

Note:  $p_d \tan \phi$  is used for a soil-to-soil failure.

As calculated in Section F.2.3.1:

Layer 1:	p <sub>d1</sub>	= 15.5 kPa	(midpoint of layer 1 - 1 m thick)
	$\phi_1$	= 36°	
Layer 2:	C <sub>u2</sub>	= 106 kPa	(layer 2 - 3 m thick)
Layer 3:	C <sub>u3</sub>	= 155 kPa	(layer 3 - 9 m thick)

Pier 3 - AASHTO Code (1994) (continued)

Thus,

Layer 1:	R <sub>s1</sub>	= 15.5 kPa (tan 36°) (3.36 m + 10.86 m) (1 m) (2)
		= 320 kN
Layer 2:	$R_{s2}$	= 106 kPa (3.36 m) (10.86 m) (3 m) (2)
		= 9,044 kN
Layer 3:	$R_{s3}$	= 155 kPa (3.36 m) (10.86 m) (9 m) (2)
		= 39,674 kN

Total soil shear resistance = 
$$R_{s1} + R_{s2} + R_{s3}$$
  
= 320 kN + 9,044 kN + 39,674 kN  
= 49,038 kN

The design group uplift capacity based on criterion 3 is:

 $= \frac{1}{2} (5,031 \text{ kN}) + \frac{1}{2} (49,038 \text{ kN})$ = 27,035 kN

According to AASHTO specifications (1994), the uplift capacity of this pile group is limited to 3,354 kN. This is greater than the maximum uplift load in the pile group of 1,800 kN.

## F.5.4 South Abutment - AASHTO Code (1994)

For the pile group at the South Abutment and the soil profile interpreted from Soil Boring S-4 as shown in Figure F.11. Perform an uplift capacity calculations based on the AASHTO Code for service load design. Use the method outlined in Section 9.8.3.1.

According to AASHTO specifications (1994), the uplift capacity of a pile group should be limited to the lesser value determined from any of the following.

1. The design uplift capacity of a single pile times the number of piles in a pile group. The design uplift capacity of a single pile is specified as 1/3 the ultimate shaft resistance calculated in a static analysis method or 1/2 the failure load determined from an uplift load test.

The ultimate shaft resistance for a single pile as calculated from a static analysis using the  $\alpha$ -Method is 1,648 kN. The design uplift capacity is:

- $= \frac{1}{3}$  (ultimate shaft resistance)
- $= \frac{1}{3} (1,648 \text{ kN})$
- = 549 kN

The design group uplift capacity based on criterion 1 is:

- = (uplift capacity of a single pile) (number of piles in a group)
- = 549 kN (24)
- = 13,176 kN

South Abutment - AASHTO Code (1994) (continued)

2. Two-thirds (%) of the effective weight of the pile group and the soil contained within a block defined by the perimeter of the pile group and the embedded length of the piles.

Effective weight of pile group (24 piles):

= 756 kN

Effective weight of soil:

- = (Layer 1+Layer 2+Layer 3) (Gross Area of Pile Group Pile Area)
- =  $[9.2 \text{ kN/m}^3 (5.5 \text{ m}) + 9.7 \text{ kN/m}^3 (9.5 \text{ m}) + 10.5 \text{ kN/m}^3 (2.5 \text{ m})]$

{ (3.36 m) (10.86 m) - 24 (0.356 m) (0.356 m) }

- =  $[50.6 \text{ kN/m}^2 + 92.2 \text{ kN/m}^2 + 26.3 \text{ kN/m}^2]{36.49 \text{ m}^2 3.04 \text{ m}^2}$
- =  $[169.1 \text{ kN/m}^2] \{ 33.45 \text{ m}^2 \}$
- = 5,656 kN

The effective weight of the pile group and the soil contained within a block defined by the perimeter of the pile group and the embedded length of the pile is equal to 756 kN plus 5,656 kN, or 6,412 kN.

The design group uplift capacity based on criterion 2 is:

- = ¾ (6,412 kN)
- = 4,275 kN

South Abutment - AASHTO Code (1994) (continued)

3. One-half (<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>) the effective weight of the pile group and the soil contained within a block defined by the perimeter of the pile group and the embedded pile length plus <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> the total soil shear resistance on the peripheral surface of the pile group.

The effective weight of the pile group and the soil contained within a block defined by the perimeter of the pile group, as calculated in criteria 2 above, is equal to 6,412 kN.

The total soil shear resistance on the peripheral surface of the pile group is calculated from the following equation.

Unit shear resistance of cohesive soil  $= c_{\mu}$ 

Where:  $c_u$  is the average undrained shear strength of the soil.

As calculated in Section F.2.4.1:

Layer 1:	C <sub>u1</sub>	= 33 kPa	(layer 1 - 5.5 m thick)
Layer 2:	C <sub>u2</sub>	= 93 kPa	(layer 2 - 9.5 m thick)
Layer 3:	C <sub>u3</sub>	= 157 kPa	(layer 3 - 2.5 m thick)

Thus,

Layer 1: 
$$R_{s1} = 33 \text{ kPa} (3.36 \text{ m} + 10.86 \text{ m}) (5.5 \text{ m}) (2)$$
  
= 5,162 kN  
Layer 2:  $R_{s2} = 93 \text{ kPa} (3.36 \text{ m} + 10.86 \text{ m}) (9.5 \text{ m}) (2)$   
= 25,127 kN

South Abutment - AASHTO Code (1994) (continued)

Layer 3: 
$$R_{s3} = 157 \text{ kPa} (3.36 \text{ m} + 10.86 \text{ m}) (2.5 \text{ m}) (2)$$
  
= 11,163 kN

Total soil shear resistance = 
$$R_{s1} + R_{s2} + R_{s3}$$

= 41,452 kN

The design group uplift capacity based on criterion 3 is:

 $= \frac{1}{2} (6,412 \text{ kN}) + \frac{1}{2} (41,452 \text{ kN})$ 

= 23,932 kN

According to AASHTO specifications (1994), the uplift capacity of this pile group is limited to 4,275 kN. This is greater than the maximum uplift load in the pile group of 1,800 kN.

## F.6 NEGATIVE SHAFT RESISTANCE CALCULATIONS

## F.6.1 South Abutment - $\alpha$ -Method

Piles at the South Abutment will be subjected to negative shaft resistance due to soil settlement following the placement of 10 m of approach embankment material behind the abutment after pile installation. This settlement needs to be estimated prior to determining the location of the negative and positive shaft resistances along the pile. The  $\alpha$ -method is used to estimate both the positive and negative shaft resistance components. The step-by-step procedure for the analysis of downdrag loading is outlined in Section 9.9.1.1a. The soil profile for the South Abutment interpreted from Soil Boring S-4 is presented in Figure F.11.

STEP 1 Establish the simplified soil profile and soil properties for computing settlement.

Schematic of the South Abutment showing the approach embankment backfill material and the soil profile is presented in Figure F.43.

STEP 2 Determine the overburden pressure increase, Δp, due to the approach embankment fill placed behind the abutment.

The overburden pressure increase,  $\Delta p$ , is calculated using the pressure coefficient, K<sub>f</sub>, determined from the pressure distribution chart presented in Figure F.44. The pressure distribution chart calculates the pressure coefficient, K<sub>f</sub>, at various depths below the bottom of the fill (*x*b<sub>f</sub>), and also at various distances from the centerline of the fill. The depth below the bottom of the fill is given as a multiple of "b<sub>f</sub>", where b<sub>f</sub> is the distance from the centerline of the fill to the midpoint of the fill slope, as shown in Figure F.44. Given:

The top width of the fill = 12 m

Side slope of the fill = 2H:1V

The height of the fill,  $h_f = 10 \text{ m}$ 

Thus, 
$$b_f = \left(\frac{12 \text{ m}}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{10 \text{ m}}{2}\right) 2 = 16 \text{ m}$$



Figure F.43 Schematic of South Abutment Showing the Backfill Material and Soil Profile



Figure F.44 Pressure Distribution Chart

#### STEP 2 (continued)

For settlement calculations, the overburden pressure increase,  $\Delta p$ , at various depths beneath the centerline of the fill needs to be calculated. The overburden pressure increase is equal to the pressure coefficient, K<sub>f</sub>, multiplied by the unit weight of the fill,  $\gamma_f$ , and the height of the fill, h<sub>f</sub>. The unit weight of the fill,  $\gamma_f$ , is 20 kN/m<sup>3</sup>. The height of the fill, h<sub>f</sub>, is 10 meters. Table F-5 shows the overburden pressure increase,  $\Delta p$ , at various depths beneath the bottom of the fill. The effective overburden pressure diagram in Figure F.45 shows the effective overburden pressure, p<sub>o</sub>, before the backfill is placed, and the effective pressure, p<sub>o</sub> +  $\Delta p$ , after the backfill placement.

For example at depth 3.2 meters below existing ground, the overburden pressure increase,  $\Delta p$ , is equal to:

 $\Delta p = 0.5 (20 \text{ kN/m}^3) (10 \text{ m}) = 100 \text{ kPa}$ 

Table F-5 Overburden Pressure Increase Computations - South Abutment								
Depth Below Existing Ground	Pressure Coefficient	$\Delta p = K_f \gamma_f h_f$						
(m)	K <sub>r</sub>	(kPa)						
Existing Ground Surface = 0	0.50	100.0						
$0.2b_{f} = 3.2 \text{ m}$	0.50	100.0						
$0.4b_{f} = 6.4 \text{ m}$	0.50	100.0						
0.6b <sub>f</sub> = 9.6 m	0.50	100.0						
0.8b <sub>f</sub> = 12.8 m	0.40	80.0						
1.0b <sub>f</sub> = 16.0 m	0.40	80.0						
$1.2b_{f} = 19.2 \text{ m}$	0.35	70.0						
1.6b <sub>f</sub> = 25.6 m	0.30	60.0						



Figure F.45 Effective Overburden Diagram - Original and Original+Increase

- STEP 3 Perform settlement computations for the soil layers along the embedded pile length.
  - a. Determine consolidation test parameters for each soil layer from laboratory consolidation test results.

The laboratory consolidation test results on the undisturbed samples were plotted on the "log pressure, p *versus* void ratio, e" (similar to Figure 9.43). The following consolidation test parameters were obtained from the plot.

Soil Layer 1:	Preconsolidation pressure, $p_c = 67$ kPa Initial void ratio, $e_0 = 0.94$ Compression index, $C_c = 0.34$ Recompression index, $C_{cr} = 0.030$				
Soil Layer 2:	Preconsolidation pressure, $p_c = 200 \text{ kPa}$ Initial void ratio, $e_0 = 0.80$				

Compression index,  $C_c = 0.30$ Recompression index,  $C_{cr} = 0.030$  Soil Layer 3: Preconsolidation pressure,  $p_c = 297$  kPa Initial void ratio,  $e_0 = 0.54$ Compression index,  $C_c = 0.20$ Recompression index,  $C_{cr} = 0.020$ 

 b. Compute settlement of each soil layer using the appropriate settlement equation provided in Section 9.8.2.3 for cohesive layers or Section 9.8.2.4 for cohesionless layers.

The following equations apply to cohesive layers (see Section 9.8.2.3):

$$s = H \left[ \frac{C_{cr}}{1+e_0} \log \frac{p_o + \Delta p}{p_o} \right] \qquad \text{when } p_o + \Delta p \le p_c$$
$$= H \left[ \frac{C_{cr}}{1+e_0} \log \frac{p_c}{p_o} \right] + H \left[ \frac{C_c}{1+e_0} \log \frac{p_o + \Delta p}{p_c} \right] \qquad \text{when } p_o + \Delta p > p_c$$

The settlement of each layer is summarized in the settlement computations in Table F-6. An example of settlement calculation has been presented earlier in Section F.3.

b. Compute the total settlement over the embedded pile length which is equal to the sum of the settlement from each soil layer.

Based on the settlement calculation table, the calculated settlement is 0.499 meters. Because the total long term settlement of the clay is very high (0.499 m), it is assumed that preloading of soil will be performed by placing additional temporary surcharge for the necessary time period <u>prior</u> to pile installation. It is also assumed that 90% consolidation of clay will be achieved prior to pile installation. Therefore, after installation, the piles will only be subjected to the 10% consolidation settlement left as shown in column 9 of the settlement calculation table, or a total settlement of 0.0499 meter or 49.9 mm.

Table F-6 Settlement Calculations Table - South Abutment										
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Soil	Soil	Soil	Depth of	Effective	Imposed	(p <sub>o</sub> +Δp)	Layer	10%	Depth	Relative
Туре	Layer	Layer	Midpoint	Overburden	Pressure		Settle-	of	Below	Soil
	Below	Thick-	Below	Pressure	Increase		ment	Layer	Existing	Movement
	Existing	ness	Existing	at Midpoint	at Midpoint			Settle-	Ground	due to 10%
	Ground		Ground	p。	Δρ			ment		Settlement
	(m)	(m)	(m)	(kPa)	(kPa)	(kPa)	(m)	(m)	(m)	(m)
Layer 1									0.0	0.0499
p <sub>c</sub> =67kPa; e <sub>0</sub> =0.94	0.0 - 3.0	3.0	1.50	18.7	100.0	118.7	0.156	0.0156	3.0	0.0343
C <sub>c</sub> =0.34; C <sub>cr</sub> =0.030	3.0 - 7.0	4.0	5.00	50.9	100.0	150.9	0.255	0.0255	7.0	0.0088
Layer 2	7.0 - 10.5	3.5	7.75	76.6	100.0	176.6	0.021	0.0021	10.5	0.0067
p <sub>c</sub> =200kPa; e <sub>0</sub> =0.80	10.5 - 13.5	3.0	12.00	117.8	85.0	202.8	0.015	0.0015	13.5	0.0052
$C_c = 0.30; C_{cr} = 0.030$	13.5 - 16.5	3.0	15.00	146.9	80.0	226.9	0.034	0.0034	16.5	0.0018
Layer 3	16.5 - 19.5	3.0	18.00	177.2	73.8	251.0	0.006	0.0006	19.5	0.0012
p <sub>c</sub> =297kPa; e <sub>0</sub> =0.54	19.5 - 22.5	3.0	21.00	208.7	67.2	275.9	0.005	0.0005	22.5	0.0007
$C_c = 0.20; C_{cr} = 0.020$	22.5 - 25.5	3.0	24.00	240.2	62.5	302.7	0.007	0.0007	25.5	0.0000
Total Settlement         =         0.499         0.0499										

#### STEP 4 Determine the pile length that will experience negative shaft resistance.

Negative shaft resistance occurs due to the settlement between soil and pile. The amount of settlement between soil and pile necessary to mobilize the negative shaft resistance is about 10 mm. Therefore, negative shaft resistance will occur on the pile shaft in each soil layer or portion of a soil layer with a settlement greater than 10 mm.

Column 11 of Table F-6 presents the settlement between soil and pile due to the 10% consolidation settlement at various locations along the pile embedded length. The existing ground surface will experience a total consolidation settlement of 0.0499 meter. At a depth of 3 meters below the existing ground surface, a lesser total settlement will occur which is equal to the total settlement at the existing ground surface minus the consolidation settlement of the top 3 meter soil layer, or 0.0343 meter, as shown in column 11 of the table.

The table also shows that the settlement between soil and pile due the 10% consolidation settlement at 7 meters depth below existing ground is already less than 10 mm which is the minimum required to mobilized the negative shaft resistance. The 7 meter depth also happens to be the end of soil layer 1. Therefore, the pile segment above the 7 meter depth will be subjected to the negative shaft resistances (downdrag) from soil layer 1 while the pile segment below the 7 meter depth will provide the positive shaft resistances (or capacity) to sustain loads from the structure and the negative shaft resistances (downdrag).

### STEP 5 Determine magnitude of negative shaft resistance, $Q_s^-$ .

The method used to calculate the ultimate negative shaft resistance over the pile length determined in Step 4 should be the same method used to calculate the ultimate positive shaft resistance, except that it will act in the opposite direction.

As calculated in Step 4 above, the negative shaft resistance will be caused by soil layer 1 which is a medium silty clay. The pile length in soil layer 1 is 5.5 meters. The ultimate positive shaft resistance in soil layer 1 has been calculated with the  $\alpha$ -method in Section F.2.4.1 and is equal to:

$$R_{s1} = 259 \text{ kN}$$

STEP 5 (continued)

Therefore, the ultimate negative shaft resistance is equal to:

 $Q_{s} = 259 \text{ kN}$ 

STEP 6 Calculate the ultimate pile capacity provided by the positive shaft resistance and the toe resistance,  $Q_u^+$ .

Positive shaft and toe resistances will develop below the depth where the relative pile-soil movements are less than 10 mm. The positive soil resistances can be calculated on the pile length remaining below the negative shaft resistance depth from Step 4 using an appropriate static analysis method for the soil type.

The ultimate pile capacity will be provided by the shaft resistance from soil layers 2 and 3, and the toe resistance, as calculated in Section F.2.4.1. The shaft resistance provided by each of soil layer and the ultimate positive shaft resistance is as follows:

Layer 2:  $R_{s2}^{+} = 1,150 \text{ kN}$ 

Layer 3:  $R_{s3}^{+} = 239 \text{ kN}$ 

Total:

 $R_{s}^{+} = R_{s2}^{+} + R_{s3}^{+}$ 

= 1,150 kN + 239 kN

$$=$$
 1,389 kN

Also as calculated in Section F.2.4.1, the ultimate toe resistance is equal to:

$$R_{t} = 182 \text{ kN}$$

STEP 6 (continued)

Hence, the ultimate pile capacity is equal to:

$$Q_u^+ = R_s^+ + R_t$$
  
= 1,389 kN + 182 kN = 1,571 kN

STEP 7 Calculate the net ultimate pile capacity,  $Q_u^{NET}$ , available to resist imposed loads.

$$Q_u^{NET} = Q_u^+ - Q_s^-$$

$$=$$
 1,571 kN - 259 kN  $=$  1,312 kN

The net ultimate pile capacity is smaller than the required ultimate pile capacity of 1780 kN. Therefore, alternatives to obtain higher pile capacities must be considered.

STEP 8 Consider alternatives to obtain higher net ultimate pile capacity.

Alternatives are described in Section 9.9.1.2 and include use of preloading or wick drains to reduce settlements prior to pile installation, use of lightweight fills to reduce settlements that cause downdrag loads, use of friction reducers to reduce downdrag loads, use of higher allowable material stress, and isolation of pile from consolidating soil.

Three alternatives will be further investigated on the following.

<u>Alternate 1</u>: Use bitumen coating on piles to reduce negative shaft resistance.

According to Goudreault and Fellenius (1994), the maximum pile adhesion,  $c_a$ , used in the static pile capacity calculation should be limited to 10 kPa when the pile is coated with bitumen.

According to the  $\alpha$ -method presented in Section F.2.4.1, the pile adhesion from soil layer 1,  $c_{a1}$ , is equal to 33 kPa. If the 5.5 m pile length in layer 1 is coated with bitumen, the pile adhesion will become 10 kPa, and therefore the positive or negative shaft resistance is equal to:

$$R_{s1}^{*} = Q_{s}^{-} = 10 \text{ kPa} (4) (0.356 \text{ m}) (5.5 \text{ m})$$

The net ultimate pile capacity available to resist imposed loads is equal to:

$$Q_u^{NET} = Q_u^+ - Q_s^-$$

= 1,571 kN - 78 kN = 1,493 kN

This is still less than the required ultimate bearing capacity (1780 kN).

- Notes: 1. Bitumen coating should be applied only to the top 5.5 m of the pile.
  - 2. Batter piles should be avoided if possible.

<u>Alternate 2</u>: Use longer piles driven to a stiffer or denser noncompressible layer.

Try an extra pile embedded length of 3.5 meters or a total pile embedded length of 21.0 meters. This extra pile embedded length will increase the shaft resistance from soil layer 3 and the toe resistance.

The average undrained shear strength of soil layer 3 is equal to:

$$c_{u3} = \frac{158 + 155 + 163 + 168}{4} = 161 \text{ kPa}$$

$$(D/b) = (20.5 \text{ m}) / (0.356 \text{ m}) = 57.58$$

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#### STEP 8 (continued)

Using Figure 9.18 and for  $c_{u3} = 161$  kPa and (D/b) = 57.58, the pile adhesion is:

 $c_{a3} = 66 \text{ kPa}$  and therefore  $f_{s3} = 66 \text{ kPa}$ 

Hence,

The ultimate positive shaft resistance:

$$R_{s}^{+} = R_{s2}^{+} + R_{s3}^{+}$$
  
= 1,150 kN + 564 kN  
= 1,714 kN

The average undrained shear strength of soil at the pile toe is equal 170 kPa. The unit toe resistance,  $q_t$ , is:

$$q_t = 9 c_u$$

= 9 ( 170 kPa ) = 1,530 kPa

The ultimate toe resistance, R<sub>t</sub>, is equal to:

$$R_t = 1,530 \text{ kPa} (0.356 \text{ m})(0.356 \text{ m})$$

= 194 kN

### STEP 8 (continued)

The ultimate pile capacity is equal to:

$$Q_u^+ = R_s^+ + R_t$$
  
= 1,714 kN + 194 kN  
= 1,908 kN

The net ultimate pile capacity available to resist imposed loads, with an increased pile length to 20.5 meters and a bitumen coating on the top 5.5 meter of the pile:

$$Q_u^{NET} = Q_u^+ - Q_s^-$$
  
= 1,908 kN - 78 kN  
= 1,830 kN

This alternate provides the required ultimate capacity, but a cost analysis of alternatives 1 and 2 and a combination of both alternatives should be performed before making the selection.

<u>Alternate 3</u>: A stub abutment instead of a full height abutment may be a better choice for the south abutment. The stub abutment could be supported on a spread footing with specified embankment material and density control in the foundation area. A stub abutment with pile foundation is another alternative available for consideration.

This design problem illustrates the difficulties encountered in designing pile foundations in clay where substantial settlements occur and large downdrag loads are encountered by piles.

### F.7 LATERAL SQUEEZE CALCULATIONS

#### F.7.1 South Abutment - Investigation of Lateral Squeeze

Use the guidelines presented in Section 9.9.3 of Chapter 9.

STEP 1 Determine if abutment tilting can occur.

The backfill material properties:

$$\gamma_{\rm f}$$
 = 20 kN/m<sup>3</sup>.

 $h_f = 10$  meters.

Any tilting which may occur will take place on the top soil layer which is the medium silty clay. The average undrained shear strength,  $c_u$ , of the medium silty clay layer is 33 kPa.

Abutment tilting will occur if the following condition govern:

 $\gamma_{f} h_{f} > 3 c_{u}$ 20 kN/m<sup>3</sup> (10 m) > 3 (33 kPa) 200 kPa > 99 kPa

Hence, abutment tilting can occur.

STEP 2 Determine the magnitude of horizontal movement.

Two cases will be investigated on the following.

<u>Case 1:</u> If piles are placed before any soil compression occurs.

The computations performed previously for negative shaft resistance indicated the vertical fill settlement is equal to 0.495 meter.

Estimated horizontal movement = 0.25 (0.495 m) = 0.124 m

This horizontal movement is <u>not</u> tolerable as it is greater than the 10 mm allowable by the bridge division.

<u>Case 2:</u> If piles are driven after 90% of vertical settlement has occurred.

Estimated vertical fill settlement after 90% settlement has occurred is 0.0495 meter.

Estimated horizontal movement = 0.25 (0.0495 m) = 0.0124 m

This movement is also larger than the 10 mm allowed by the bridge division. Because the estimated movement is close, provisions can be made in the bridge shoe and expansion joint design so this movement is tolerable.

# APPENDIX G

# Student Exercise - Solutions

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## STUDENT EXERCISE #1 - CONSTRUCT A po DIAGRAM

For the soil profile given below, construct the total and effective overburden pressure diagrams. The water table is 5 meters below the ground surface. The unit weight of water is  $9.80 \text{ kN/m}^3$ . Construction of a  $p_o$  diagram is described in Section 9.4 of Chapter 9.



# STUDENT EXERCISE #1 - SOLUTION FOR A $p_{\ensuremath{\mathsf{o}}}$ DIAGRAM

Depth	Layer Thickness	Unit Weight of Layer Soil	Overburden Pressure from Layer	Total Overburden Pressure at	Unit Weight of Water	Pore Water Pressure from Layer	Total Pore Water Pressure at	Effective Overburden Pressure
(m)	t (m)	γ (kN/m³)	t(γ) (kPa)	Depth p <sub>t</sub> =Σ t(γ) (kPa)	γ <sub>w</sub> (kN/m³)	t(γ <sub>w</sub> ) (kPa)	Depth u=Σ t(γ <sub>w</sub> ) (kPa)	p₀=p₁-u (kPa)
0	0	15.0	0	0		0	0	0
5	5	15.0	75	75		Q	0	75
10	5	15.0	75	150	9.8	49	49	101
20	10	17.5	175	325	9.8	98	147	178
35	15	20.0	300	625	9.8	147	294	331


### STUDENT EXERCISE #2 - NORDLUND CAPACITY CALCULATION

Use the Nordlund method and the step by step procedures described in Section 9.7.1.1b to calculate the ultimate capacity and the allowable design load for a 305 mm square prestressed concrete pile driven into the soil profile described below. A trial pile length of 15 meters below the bottom of the pile cap 1 meter below grade should be used. Begin the calculation with Step 2 of the step by step procedure since the data required from Step 1 has been provided in the problem. The overburden pressure diagram for this problem is included on the next page.





#### STUDENT EXERCISE #2 - SOLUTION FOR NORDLUND CAPACITY CALCULATION

STEP 1 The  $p_o$  diagram, soil layer determination, and the soil friction angle,  $\phi$ , for each soil layer were presented in the problem introduction.

STEP 2 Determine  $\delta$ .

a. Compute volume of soil displaced per unit length of pile, V.

 $V = (0.305 \text{ m}) (0.305 \text{ m}) (1.0 \text{ m/m}) = 0.093 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$ 

b. Determine  $\delta/\phi$  from Figure 9.10.

 $V = 0.093 \text{ m}^3/\text{m} \rightarrow \delta/\phi = 0.75 \text{ or } \delta = 0.75\phi$ 

c. Calculate  $\delta$  for each soil layer based on  $\delta = 0.75\phi$ .

Layer 1:  $\delta_1 = 0.75 (30^\circ) = 22.50$ 

Layer 2:  $\delta_2 = 0.75 (35^\circ) = 26.25$ 

STEP 3 Determine  $K_{\delta}$  for each soil layer based on displaced volume, V, and pile taper angle,  $\omega$ .

Layer 1: For  $\phi = 30^{\circ}$ , V = 0.093 m<sup>3</sup>/m and  $\omega = 0^{\circ}$ 

From Figure 9.12:  $K_{\delta} = 1.15$ 

Layer 2: For  $\phi = 35^{\circ}$ , V = 0.093 m<sup>3</sup>/m and  $\omega = 0^{\circ}$ 

From Figure 9.13:  $K_{\delta} = 1.75$ 

STEP 4 Determine correction factor, C<sub>F</sub>, to be applied to K<sub>s</sub> when  $\delta \neq \phi$  (Figure 9.15.)

Layer 1:  $\phi = 30^{\circ}$  and  $\delta/\phi = 0.75 \rightarrow C_F = 0.90$ Layer 2:  $\phi = 35^{\circ}$  and  $\delta/\phi = 0.75 \rightarrow C_F = 0.85$ 

STEP 5 Compute effective overburden pressure at midpoint of each soil layer,  $p_d$ . From  $p_o$  diagram,  $p_d$  for layer 1 is 51 kPa, and  $p_d$  for layer 2 is 134.5 kPa.

STEP 6 Compute the shaft resistance for each soil layer.

 $\begin{aligned} R_{s} &= K_{\delta} \ C_{F} \ p_{d} \ \sin \delta \ C_{d} \ D \\ C_{d} &= pile \ perimeter = 1.22 \ m^{2}/m \\ D &= embedded \ length \ in \ layer \\ Layer 1: \ R_{s1} &= 1.15 \ (0.90) \ (51 \ kPa) \ (sin \ 22.5^{\circ}) \ (1.22 \ m^{2}/m) \ (4 \ m) \\ &= 99 \ kN \\ Layer 2: \ R_{s2} &= 1.75 \ (0.85) \ (134.5 \ kPa) \ (sin \ 26.25^{\circ}) \ (1.22 \ m^{2}/m) \ (11 \ m) \\ &= 1188 \ kN \end{aligned}$ 

Compute the ultimate shaft resistance, R<sub>s</sub>

$$R_s = R_{s1} + R_{s2} = 99 \text{ kN} + 1188 \text{ kN} = 1287 \text{ kN}$$

STEP 7 Determine  $\alpha_t$  coefficient and bearing capacity factor N'<sub>q</sub> from  $\phi$  angle of 35° at pile toe and Figures 9.16(a) and 9.16(b).

From Figure 9.16(a)  $\rightarrow \alpha_t = 0.67$ 

From Figure 9.16(b)  $\rightarrow N'_a = 65$ 

STEP 8 Compute effective overburden pressure at pile toe.

From effective overburden pressure diagram,  $p_t$  at 16 meters is 184 kPa. Therefore, limiting overburden pressure at pile toe of 150 kPa applies.

STEP 9 Compute the ultimate toe resistance, R<sub>t</sub>.

a.  $R_t = \alpha_t N'_q A_t p_t$ 

= (0.67) (65) (0.09 m<sup>2</sup>) (150 kPa) = 588 kN

b.  $R_t = q_L A_t$  from Figure 9.17,  $q_L$ =5000 kPa for  $\phi$ =35°.

= (5000 kPa) (0.09 m<sup>2</sup>) = 450 kN

c. Use lesser value of R, from Step 9a and 9b. Therefore,  $R_t = 450$  kN.

STEP 10 Compute the ultimate pile capacity, Q.,.

$$Q_u = R_s + R_t = 1287 \text{ kN} + 450 \text{ kN} = 1737 \text{ kN}$$

STEP 11 Compute the allowable design load, Q<sub>a</sub>.

The allowable design load is  $Q_u$ /Factor of Safety based on construction control method as described in Section 9.6. Therefore, the allowable design load would range from 496 to 868 kN depending upon construction control method specified.

## STUDENT EXERCISE #3 - $\alpha$ -METHOD PILE CAPACITY CALCULATION

Use the  $\alpha$ -Method and step by step procedure described in Section 9.7.1.2a to calculate the ultimate pile capacity and the allowable design load for a 356 mm square, prestressed concrete pile driven into the soil profile described below. The trial pile length for the calculation is 17 meters. The prestressed concrete pile has a pile-soil surface area of 1.42 m<sup>2</sup>/m and a pile toe area of 0.127 m<sup>2</sup>. Based on the soil profile, Figure 9.18 or 9.19(c) should be used to calculate pile capacity. Note: the soil strengths provided are unconfined compression test results (c<sub>u</sub> = q<sub>u</sub>/2).



## STUDENT EXERCISE #3 - SOLUTION FOR $\alpha$ -METHOD CAPACITY CALCULATION

STEP 1 Delineate the soil profile and determine the pile adhesion from Figure 9.18 or the adhesion factor from Figure 9.19(c).

The soil profile was delineated in the problem statement. The bottom of Layer 1 is at 9 meters. Therefore calculations for Layer 1 should be based on an embedded pile length to diameter ratio, D/b, of (9 m) / (.356 m) or 25. The bottom of Layer 2 is at 17 meters. Calculations for Layer 2 should then be based on an embedded pile length to diameter ratio, D/b, of (17 m) / (.356 m) or 48.

Using Figure 9.18, the pile adhesion for each layer is as follows;

- Layer 1:  $q_u = 110$  kPa so  $c_u = 55$  kPa. For a D/b of 25, a pile adhesion of 55 kPa is obtained by interpolating between the two curves for a concrete pile.
- Layer 2:  $q_u = 260 \text{ kPa so } c_u = 130 \text{ kPa}$ . For a D/b of 48, the D > 40b curve for a concrete pile should be used. This results in a pile adhesion of 80 kPa.

Using Figure 9.19(c), the adhesion factor,  $\alpha$ , for each layer is as follows;

- Layer 1:  $q_u = 110$  kPa so  $c_u = 55$  kPa. For a D/b of 25, a pile adhesion factor of 0.95 is obtained by interpolating between the D=10b and D > 40b curves.
- Layer 2:  $q_u = 260 \text{ kPa so } c_u = 130 \text{ kPa}$ . For a D/b of 48, the D > 40b curve should be used and an adhesion factor of 0.60 is obtained.
- STEP 2 Compute the unit shaft resistance, f<sub>s</sub> for each soil layer.
  - Using Figure 9.18, the unit shaft resistance equals the pile adhesion and is therefore 55 kPa for Layer 1 and 80 kPa for Layer 2.

Using Figure 9.19(c), the unit shaft resistance equals the adhesion factor times the undrained shear strength or  $f_s = \alpha (c_u)$ . For Layer 1,  $\alpha (c_u)$  is 0.95 (55 kPa) which results in a unit shaft resistance of 52 kPa. For Layer 2,  $\alpha (c_u)$  is 0.60 (130 kPa) results in a unit shaft resistance of 78 kPa.

STEP 3 Compute the shaft resistance per layer and the ultimate shaft resistance.

The embedded pile length is 9 meters in Layer 1 and 8 meters in Layer 2. The pile-soil surface area was defined as  $1.42 \text{ m}^2/\text{m}$  in the problem statement.

Using Figure 9.18, the shaft resistance for each layer is as follows;

Layer 1: The unit shaft resistance,  $f_{s1}$ , is 55 kPa. The pile-soil surface area,  $A_s$  is 1.42 m<sup>2</sup>/m and the length of pile in Layer 1,  $D_1$  is 9 meters. Therefore, the shaft resistance in this layer can be calculated from:

$$R_{s1} = (f_{s1}) (A_s) (D_1)$$

= (55 kPa) (1.42 m<sup>2</sup>/m) (9 m) = 703 kN

Layer 2: The unit shaft resistance,  $f_{s2}$ , is 80 kPa. The pile-soil surface area,  $A_s$  is 1.42 m<sup>2</sup>/m and the length of pile in Layer 2,  $D_2$  is 8 meters. Therefore, the shaft resistance in this layer can be calculated from:

$$R_{s2} = (f_{s2})(A_s)(D_2)$$
  
= (80 kPa)(1.42 m<sup>2</sup>/m)(8 m) = 909 kN

The ultimate shaft resistance,  $R_s$ , is the sum of the shaft resistance from each individual layer.

$$R_s = R_{s1} + R_{s2}$$

= 703 + 909 = 1612 kN

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Using Figure 9.19(c), the shaft resistance for each layer is as follows;

Layer 1: The unit shaft resistance,  $f_{s1}$ , is 52 kPa. The pile-soil surface area,  $A_s$  is 1.42 m<sup>2</sup>/m and the length of pile in Layer 1,  $D_1$  is 9 meters. Therefore, the shaft resistance in this layer can be calculated from:

$$R_{s1} = (f_{s1})(A_s)(D_1)$$
  
= (52 kPa)(1.42 m<sup>2</sup>/m)(9 m) = 665 kN

Layer 2: The unit shaft resistance,  $f_{s2}$ , is 78 kPa. The pile-soil surface area,  $A_s$  is 1.42 m<sup>2</sup>/m and the length of pile in Layer 2,  $D_2$  is 8 meters. Therefore, the shaft resistance in this layer can be calculated from:

$$R_{s2} = (f_{s2})(A_s)(D_2)$$
  
= (78 kPa)(1.42 m<sup>2</sup>/m)(8 m) = 886 kN

The ultimate shaft resistance,  $R_s$ , is the sum of the shaft resistance from each individual layer.

 $R_s = R_{s1} + R_{s2}$ = 665 + 886 = 1551 kN

STEP 4 Compute the unit toe resistance, q<sub>t</sub>.

The unit toe resistance is calculated from  $q_t = 9 c_u$ . Since the undrained shear strength at the pile toe is 130 kPa, the unit pile toe resistance is 9 (130 kPa) or 1170 kPa.

STEP 5 Compute the ultimate toe resistance, R<sub>t</sub>.

The ultimate toe resistance is calculated from:

$$R_t = q_t A_t$$
  
= (1170 kPa)(0.127 m<sup>2</sup>) = 149 kN

Using Figure 9.18, the ultimate pile capacity is as follows:

$$Q_u = R_s + R_t$$
  
= 1612 + 149 = 1761 kN

Using Figure 9.19(c), the ultimate pile capacity is as follows:

$$Q_u = R_s + R_t$$
  
= 1551 + 149 = 1700 kN

The lesser of the two ultimate pile capacities of 1700 kN should be selected.

STEP 7 Determine the allowable design load, Q<sub>a</sub>.

 $Q_a = Q_u / (Factor of Safety)$ 

Based on the construction control method specified, the factor of safety could range from 2.0 to 3.5. Therefore, the allowable design load could range from 486 to 850 kN.

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# STUDENT EXERCISE #4 - α-METHOD AND NORDLUND METHOD PILE CAPACITY CALCULATION IN A LAYERED SOIL PROFILE

Use the  $\alpha$ -Method described in Section 9.7.1.2a and the Nordlund Method described in Section 9.7.1.1b to calculate the ultimate pile capacity, the resistance to driving, and the allowable design load for a 324 mm O.D. closed end pipe pile driven into the soil profile described below. The trial pile length for the calculation is 19 meters below the pile cutoff elevation 1 meter below grade. The pipe pile has a pile-soil surface area of 1.02 m<sup>2</sup>/m and a pile toe area of 0.082 m<sup>2</sup>. Use Figure 9.18 to calculate the shaft resistance in the clay layer. The pile volume is 0.082 m<sup>3</sup>/m. The effective overburden at 17 m, the midpoint of the pile shaft in the sand layer is 177 kPa, and the effective overburden pressure at the pile toe is 204 kPa. Note: the soil strengths provided are unconfined compression test results ( $c_u = q_u/2$ ).



# STUDENT EXERCISE #4 - SOLUTION FOR $\alpha$ -METHOD AND NORDLUND METHOD CAPACITY CALCULATION IN A LAYERED SOIL PROFILE

#### Calculate the Shaft Resistance in the Clay Layer Using $\alpha$ -Method

STEP 1 Delineate the soil profile and determine the pile adhesion from Figure 9.18.

The soil profile was delineated in the problem statement. The bottom of Layer 1 is at 14 meters. Therefore calculations for Layer 1 should be based on an embedded pile length to diameter ratio, D/b, of (14 m) / (.324 m) or 43.

Using Figure 9.18, the pile adhesion for each layer is as follows;

Layer 1:  $q_u = 260$  kPa so  $c_u = 130$  kPa. For a D/b of 43, a pile adhesion of 70 kPa is obtained for a smooth steel pile.

STEP 2 Compute the unit shaft resistance, f<sub>s</sub> for each soil layer.

The unit shaft resistance equals the pile adhesion and is therefore 70 kPa for Layer 1.

STEP 3 Compute the shaft resistance in the clay layer.

The embedded pile length is 13 meters in Layer 1. The pile-soil surface area was defined as  $1.02 \text{ m}^2/\text{m}$  in the problem statement.

Therefore, the shaft resistance for the clay layer is as follows;

Layer 1: The unit shaft resistance,  $f_{s1}$ , is 70 kPa. The pile-soil surface area,  $A_s$  is 1.02 m<sup>2</sup>/m and the length of pile in Layer 1,  $D_1$  is 13 meters. Therefore, the shaft resistance in this layer can be calculated from:

$$R_{s1} = (f_{s1})(A_s)(D_1)$$

 $= (70 \text{ kPa})(1.02 \text{ m}^2/\text{m})(13 \text{ m}) = 928 \text{ kN}$ 

### Calculate the Shaft Resistance in the Sand Layer Using Nordlund Method

- STEP 1 The  $p_o$  diagram, soil layer determination, and the soil friction angle,  $\phi$ , for each soil layer were presented in the problem introduction.
- STEP 2 Determine  $\delta$ .
  - a. Compute volume of soil displaced per unit length of pile, V.

 $V = 0.082 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}$  (per problem description)

b. Determine  $\delta/\phi$  from Figure 9.10.

 $V = 0.082 \text{ m}^3/\text{m} \rightarrow \delta/\phi = 0.62 \text{ or } \delta = 0.62\phi$ 

c. Calculate  $\delta$  for each soil layer based on  $\delta = 0.62\phi$ .

Layer 2:  $\delta_2 = 0.62 (35^\circ) = 21.70$ 

STEP 3 Determine  $K_{\delta}$  for each soil layer based on displaced volume, V, and pile taper angle,  $\omega$ .

Layer 2: For  $\phi = 35^{\circ}$ , V = 0.082 m<sup>3</sup>/m and  $\omega = 0^{\circ}$ 

d. From Figure 9.13:  $K_{\delta} = 1.15$  for V = 0.0093 m<sup>3</sup>/m  $K_{\delta} = 1.75$  for V = 0.093 m<sup>3</sup>/m

Using log linear interpolation  $K_{\delta} = 1.72$  for V =0.082 m<sup>3</sup>/m

STEP 4 Determine correction factor,  $C_F$ , to be applied to  $K_{\delta}$  when  $\delta \neq \phi$  (Figure 9.15.)

Layer 2: 
$$\phi = 35^{\circ}$$
 and  $\delta/\phi = 0.62 \rightarrow C_{F} = 0.78$ 

STEP 5 Compute effective overburden pressure at midpoint of each soil layer, p<sub>d</sub>.

From problem description, p<sub>d</sub> for layer 2 is 177 kPa.

STEP 6 Compute the shaft resistance for each soil layer.

$$R_{s} = K_{\delta} C_{F} p_{d} \sin \delta C_{d} D$$

$$C_{d} = \text{pile perimeter} = 1.02 \text{ m}^{2}/\text{m}$$

$$D = \text{embedded length in layer}$$

$$\text{Layer 2: } R_{s2} = 1.72 (0.78) (177 \text{ kPa}) (\sin 21.70^{\circ}) (1.02 \text{ m}^{2}/\text{m}) (6 \text{ m})$$

$$= 537 \text{ kN}$$

Compute the Ultimate Shaft Resistance, R<sub>s</sub>

$$R_s = R_{s1} + R_{s2} = 928 \text{ kN} + 537 \text{ kN} = 1465 \text{ kN}$$

### Compute the Ultimate Toe Resistance, R<sub>t</sub>

STEP 7 Determine  $\alpha_t$  coefficient and bearing capacity factor N'<sub>q</sub> from  $\phi$  angle of 35° at pile toe and Figures 9.16(a) and 9.16(b) based on D/b of 62.

From Figure 9.16(a)  $\rightarrow \alpha_t = 0.67$ 

From Figure 9.16(b)  $\rightarrow N'_{g} = 65$ 

STEP 8 Compute effective overburden pressure at pile toe.

The effective overburden pressure at the pile toe was given as 204 kPa in the problem description. Therefore, limiting overburden pressure at pile toe of 150 kPa applies.

STEP 9 Compute the ultimate toe resistance, R<sub>t</sub>.

a. 
$$R_t = \alpha_t N'_q A_t p_t$$
  
= (0.67) (65) (0.082 m<sup>2</sup>) (150 kPa) = 536 kN

b.  $R_t = q_1 A_t$  from Figure 9.17,  $q_L = 5000$  kPa for  $\phi = 35^{\circ}$ .

= (5000 kPa) (0.082 m<sup>2</sup>) = 410 kN

c. Use lesser value of R<sub>t</sub> from Step 9a and 9b. Therefore,  $R_t = 410$  kN.

STEP 10 Compute the ultimate pile capacity, Q<sub>u</sub>.

$$Q_u = R_s + R_t = 1465 \text{ kN} + 410 \text{ kN} = 1875 \text{ kN}$$

STEP 11 Compute the allowable design load, Q<sub>a</sub>.

The allowable design load is  $Q_u$ /Factor of Safety based on construction control method as described in Section 9.6. Therefore, the allowable design load would range from 536 to 938 kN depending upon construction control method specified.

#### Calculation of the Resistance to Driving

The clay layer has a set-up factor of 1.75. Therefore, the resistance from the clay layer at the time of driving is (928 kN) / (1.75) or 530 kN. The shaft and toe resistance from the sand layer are unchanged and are 537 and 410 kN, respectively. Therefore, the resistance at the time of driving,  $Q_{\rm p}$ , is:

$$Q_{D} = 530 \text{ kN} + 537 \text{ kN} + 410 \text{ kN} = 1477 \text{ kN}.$$

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## STUDENT EXERCISE #5 - EFFECTIVE STRESS PILE CAPACITY CALCULATION IN A LAYERED SOIL PROFILE

Use the Effective Stress Method described in Section 9.7.1.3 to calculate the ultimate pile capacity, the resistance to driving, and the allowable design load for a 324 mm O.D. closed end pipe pile driven into the soil profile described below. The trial pile length for the calculation is 19 meters below the pile cutoff elevation 1 meter below grade. The pipe pile has a pile-soil surface area of 1.02 m<sup>2</sup>/m and a pile toe area of 0.082 m<sup>2</sup>. Use Table 9-4 or Figure 9.20 to determine  $\beta$  values for calculation of the shaft resistance and Table 9-4 or Figure 9.21 for calculation of N<sub>t</sub>. The effective overburden at the midpoint of the pile shaft in the clay layer is 85 kPa and 177 kPa at the midpoint of the sand layer. The effective overburden pressure at the pile toe is 204 kPa.

During driving, the excess pore pressure generated in the clay layer at the pile-soil interface is expected to be 1.4 times the effective overburden pressure based on Figure 9.56. Therefore, use an average effective overburden pressure of 29.5 kPa at the midpoint of the pile shaft in the clay layer to calculate the shaft resistance in the clay layer during driving.



## STUDENT EXERCISE #5 - SOLUTION FOR EFFECTIVE STRESS METHOD PILE CAPACITY CALCULATION IN A LAYERED SOIL PROFILE

STEP 1 Delineate the soil profile and determine the  $\phi$ ' angle for each layer.

The soil profile and  $\phi$ ' angle were given in the problem description.

STEP 2 Select the  $\beta$  coefficient for each soil layer.

Based on the given  $\phi$ ' angles, the clay layer would have a  $\beta$  coefficient of 0.30 and the sand layer would have a  $\beta$  coefficient of 0.40.

STEP 3 Compute the unit shaft resistance,  $f_s$ , in each layer.

The unit shaft resistance for each layer is as follows:

Layer 1:  $f_{s1} = \beta_1 (p_o) = 0.30 (85 \text{ kPa}) = 25.5 \text{ kPa}$ 

Layer 2:  $f_{s2} = \beta_2 (p_o) = 0.40 (177 \text{ kPa}) = 70.8 \text{ kPa}$ 

STEP 4 Compute the shaft resistance for each layer and the ultimate shaft resistance.

The shaft resistance for each layer is as follows:

Layer 1:  $R_{s1} = (f_{s1})(A_s)(D_1)$ = (25.5 kPa)(1.02 m<sup>2</sup>/m)(13 m) = 338 kN Layer 2:  $R_{s2} = (f_{s2})(A_s)(D_2)$ = (70.8 kPa)(1.02 m<sup>2</sup>/m)(6 m) = 433 kN

The ultimate shaft resistance, R<sub>s</sub> is as follows:

 $R_{s} = R_{s1} + R_{s2} = 338 \text{ kN} + 433 \text{ kN} = 771 \text{ kN}$ 

STEP 5 Compute the unit toe resistance, q<sub>t</sub>.

$$q_t = N_t p_t$$

From Figure 9.21 and a  $\phi$ ' angle of 35°, N<sub>t</sub> = 55. The effective overburden pressure at the pile toe, p<sub>t</sub>, was given as 204 kPa.

 $q_t = (55) (204 \text{ kPa}) = 11,220 \text{ kPa}$ 

STEP 6 Compute the ultimate toe resistance, R<sub>t</sub>.

 $R_t = q_t A_t = (11,220 \text{ kPa})(0.082 \text{ m}^2) = 920 \text{ kN}$ 

STEP 7 Compute the ultimate pile capacity, Q<sub>u</sub>.

$$Q_u = R_s + R_t = 771 \text{ kN} + 920 \text{ kN} = 1691 \text{ kN}$$

STEP 8 Compute the allowable design load, Q<sub>a</sub>.

The allowable design load is  $Q_u$ /Factor of Safety based on construction control method as described in Section 9.6. Therefore, the allowable design load would range from 483 to 845 kN depending upon construction control method specified.

#### Calculation of the Resistance to Driving

The average effective overburden pressure in the clay layer during driving is estimated to be 29.5 kPa. Therefore, the average unit shaft resistance in the clay layer at the time of driving should be calculated using this effective overburden pressure. The shaft and toe resistance from the sand layer are unchanged. The resistance at the time of driving,  $Q_{\rm p}$ , is:

$$f_{s1} = \beta_1 (p_o) = 0.30 (29.5 \text{ kPa}) = 8.85 \text{ kPa}$$

 $R_{s1} = (f_{s1})(A_s)(D_1) = (8.85 \text{ kPa}) (1.02 \text{ m}^2/\text{m})(13 \text{ m}) = 117 \text{ kN}$ 

 $Q_{D} = 117 \text{ kN} + 433 \text{ kN} + 920 \text{ kN} = 1470 \text{ kN}$ 

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# STUDENT EXERCISE #6 - LPC METHOD PILE CAPACITY CALCULATION

Cone Penetration Test (CPT) data for a site identified three soil layers having the average CPT results presented below. Use the LPC Method described in Section 9.7.1.7b to calculate the ultimate pile capacity and the allowable design load for a 324 mm diameter closed end pipe pile. Use a trial pile length of 21 meters. The pipe pile has a pile-soil surface area of  $1.02 \text{ m}^2/\text{m}$  and a pile toe area of  $0.083 \text{ m}^2$ . Previous load test data is not available in the project vicinity. Use Figure 5.2 to characterize the subsurface conditions.



### STUDENT EXERCISE #6 - LPC METHOD SOLUTION

- STEP 1 Delineate the soil profile. Using the cone tip resistance, q<sub>c</sub>, and the friction ratio, R<sub>f</sub>, values in Figure 5.2, the soil profile can be characterized as follows:
  - Layer 1:  $q_c = 1500$  kPa and  $R_f = 3.5$ . This data plots in Zone 4 of Figure 5.2 which characterizes the soil as a silty clay to clay.
  - Layer 2:  $q_c = 4500$  kPa and  $R_f = 0.5$ . This data plots in Zone 8 of Figure 5.2 which characterizes the soil as a sand to silty sand.
  - Layer 3:  $q_c = 25000$  kPa and  $R_f = 0.5$ . This data plots on the borderline of Zones 9 and 10 of Figure 5.2 which characterizes the soil as a sand to gravely sand.
- STEP 2 Determine the unit shaft resistance for each soil layer. From Table 9-7, the pile type is type B.
  - Layer 1: The soil type is clay and  $q_c$  is 1500 kPa. Therefore, Table 9-8(a) should be used and indicates Curve 2 based on  $q_c$  value. However, the table comments section indicates to use Curve 1 for steel piles when no previous load test data is available. Enter Figure 9.25(a) with a  $q_c$  value of 1500 kPa. Curve 1 then indicates a unit shaft resistance of 35 kPa.
  - Layer 2: The soil type is sand and  $q_c$  is 4500 kPa. Therefore, Table 9-8(b) should be used and indicates Curve 2 based on  $q_c$  value. However, the table comments section indicates to use Curve 1 for steel piles when no previous load test data is available. Enter Figure 9.25b with a  $q_c$  value of 4500 kPa. Curve 1 then indicates a unit shaft resistance of 30 kPa.
  - Layer 3: The soil type is gravelly sand and  $q_c$  is 25000 kPa. Therefore, Table 9-8(b) should be used and indicates Curve 3 based on  $q_c$  value. Enter Figure 9.25(b) with a  $q_c$  value of 25000 kPa. Curve 3 then indicates a unit shaft resistance of 130 kPa.



Modified from Figure 5.2 (Simplified Soil Classified Chart for Standard Electronic Friction Cone after Robertson *et al.*, 1986)

Zone	q₀/N	Soil Behavior Type
1)	2	sensitive fine grained
2)	1	organic material
3)	1	clay
4)	1.5	silty clay to clay
5)	2	clayey silt to silty clay
6)	2.5	sandy silt to clayey silt
7)	3	silty sand to sandy silt
8)	4	sand to silty sand
9)	5	sand
10)	6	gravelly sand to sand
11)	1	very stiff fine grained
12)	2	sand to clayey sand

- STEP 3 Compute the shaft resistance per layer and the ultimate shaft resistance.
  - Layer 1: The unit shaft resistance,  $f_{s1}$ , is 35 kPa. The pile-soil surface area,  $A_s$  is 1.02 m<sup>2</sup>/m and the length of pile in Layer 1,  $D_1$  is 8 meters. Therefore, the shaft resistance in this layer can be calculated from:

$$R_{s1} = (f_{s1})(A_s)(D_1)$$
  
= (35 kPa)(1.02 m<sup>2</sup>/m)(8 m) = 286 kN

Layer 2: The unit shaft resistance,  $f_{s2}$ , is 30 kPa. The pile-soil surface area,  $A_s$  is 1.02 m<sup>2</sup>/m and the length of pile in Layer 2,  $D_2$  is 10 meters. Therefore, the shaft resistance in this layer can be calculated from:

$$R_{s2} = (f_{s2})(A_s)(D_2)$$
  
= (30 kPa)(1.02 m<sup>2</sup>/m)(10 m) = 306 kN

Layer 3: The unit shaft resistance,  $f_{s3}$ , is 130 kPa. The pile-soil surface area,  $A_s$  is 1.02 m<sup>2</sup>/m and the length of pile in Layer 3,  $D_3$  is 3 meters. Therefore, the shaft resistance in this layer can be calculated from:

$$R_{s3} = (f_{s3})(A_s)(D_3)$$
  
= (130 kPa)(1.02 m<sup>2</sup>/m)(3 m) = 398 kN

The ultimate shaft resistance,  $R_s$ , is the sum of the shaft resistance from each individual layer.

 $R_s = R_{s1} + R_{s2} + R_{s3}$ = 286 + 306 + 398 = 990 kN STEP 4 Compute the unit pile toe resistance, q<sub>t</sub>.

- a. The average cone tip resistance is 25000 kPa.
- b. From Table 9-9, the cone bearing capacity factor,  $K_c$ , is 0.375.
- c. The unit pile toe resistance is then:

 $q_t = K_c q_c$ 

= 0.375 (25000 kPa) = 9375 kPa.

STEP 5 Compute the ultimate toe resistance, R<sub>t</sub>.

$$R_t = q_t A_t$$
  
= (9375 kPa)(0.083 m<sup>2</sup>) = 778 kN

STEP 6 Compute the ultimate pile capacity, Q<sub>u</sub>.

$$Q_u = R_s + R_t$$
  
= 990 + 778 = 1768 kN

STEP 7 Determine the allowable design load, Q<sub>a</sub>.

 $Q_a = Q_u / (Factor of Safety)$ 

Based on the construction control method specified, the factor of safety could range from 2.0 to 3.5. Therefore, the allowable design load could range from 505 to 884 kN.

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## STUDENT EXERCISE #7 - PILE GROUP SETTLEMENT IN LAYERED PROFILE

A pile group is to installed in a fine to medium silty sand deposit that is underlain by a stiff clay layer and then a very dense fine to coarse sand layer. The pile group has a total **design** load of 16,000 kN. The pile group has a plan area of 3 m by 10 m. Use the pile group settlement method for layered soils described in Section 9.8.2.4 to calculate the settlement of the pile group depicted on the following page. For ease of calculation, compute the settlements for each soil layer below the equivalent footing depth using the layer thickness rather than breaking the profile into 1.5 to 3 m thick layers as described in Section 9.8.2.4. Also do not calculate the elastic pile deformation for this problem. Based on your calculation, is the pile group settlement acceptable?

The soil layers have the following properties:

In the zone below the equivalent footing location, the fine to medium sand has an average corrected SPT resistance value of 30 as determined using a SPT safety hammer. The existing overburden pressure at the midpoint of the sand layer below the equivalent footing location is 190 kPa and the corresponding pressure increase at this point is 133 kPa.

The stiff clay layer has an initial void ratio  $e_o$  of 0.80, a preconsolidation pressure,  $p_c$ , of 247 kPa, a compression index,  $C_c$  of 0.30 and recompression index  $C_{cr}$ , of 0.03. The existing overburden pressure at the midpoint of the clay layer is 247 kPa and the corresponding pressure increase at this depth is 54 kPa.

The underlying very dense fine to coarse sand layer has an average corrected SPT resistance value of 60 determined by a SPT safety hammer. The pressure increase is less than 10% of the effective overburden pressure at a depth of 32 meters. At the midpoint of the affected portion of the lower sand layer (30.5 m), the effective overburden pressure is 297 kPa and the pressure increase is 34 kPa.

To solve this problem you will need to calculate the sand layer settlement from the equation on page 9-114 and Figure 9.45 on page 9-115. The clay layer settlement should be calculated using the properties described above and the appropriate equation on page 9-111 (Note the terms for these equations are on page 9-108.)



Remember settlement computations are based on the design load rather than ultimate loads.

#### STUDENT EXERCISE #7 - PILE GROUP SETTLEMENT SOLUTION

STEP 1 Calculate the settlement of the fine to medium silty sand layer using the following equation after determining the bearing capacity index for the layer from Figure 9.45.

Based on Figure 9.45, the fine to medium silty sand layer has a bearing capacity index value of 95 for an average corrected SPT N value of 30 from a SPT safety hammer.

The settlement of the sand layer is then calculated using the following equation:

Layer 1: 
$$s_1 = H \left[ \frac{1}{C'} \log \frac{p_0 + \Delta p}{p_0} \right]$$

$$s_1 = (6 \text{ m}) \left[ \frac{1}{95} \log \frac{190 + 133}{190} \right] = 0.0145 \text{ m} = 14.5 \text{ mm}$$

STEP 2 Calculate settlement in clay layer after determining appropriate settlement equation from page 9-111.

The clay layer is normally consolidated and the pressure increase is greater that the preconsolidation pressure. The settlement of the 6 meter thick layer can then be calculated as follows:

Layer 2: 
$$s_2 = H \left[ \frac{C_c}{1+e_0} \log \frac{p_0 + \Delta p}{p_0} \right]$$

$$s_2 = (6 \text{ m}) \left[ \frac{0.30}{1+0.80} \log \frac{247 + 54}{247} \right] = 0.0858 \text{ m} = 85.8 \text{ mm}$$

STEP 3 Calculate the settlement of the very dense, fine to coarse sand layer after determining the index value from Figure 9.45.

Based on Figure 9.45, the very dense, fine to coarse sand layer has a bearing capacity index value of 250 for an average SPT safety hammer corrected N value of 60.

The settlement of the lower sand layer is then calculated using the following equation:

Layer 3: 
$$s_3 = H\left[\frac{1}{C'}\log \frac{p_0 + \Delta p}{p_0}\right]$$

$$s_3 = (3 \text{ m}) \left[ \frac{1}{250} \log \frac{297 + 34}{297} \right] = 0.0005 \text{ m} = 0.5 \text{ mm}$$

STEP 4 Compute total settlement:

$$s = s_1 + s_2 + s_3 = 14.5 + 85.8 + 0.5 = 100.8 \text{ mm}$$

The total soil settlement of 100.8 mm is excessive.

### STUDENT EXERCISE #8 - BROMS' METHOD LATERAL CAPACITY ANALYSIS

Perform a lateral capacity analysis using the Broms' method by following the step by step procedure outlined in Section 9.7.3.2. The pile is a 356-mm square prestressed concrete, which has been driven to a total penetration of 11 meters below grade. The subsurface conditions are presented below. Calculate the maximum allowable lateral load of the pile, and the corresponding deflection at this maximum allowable load. Evaluate the total lateral load capacity of the pile group consisting of 24 piles at 1.5 meters center to center spacing. Assume the pile is to be used in group under a pile cap (fixed head  $e_c=0$ ) with the possibility of cyclic loading during service life. The following pile properties are given: E = 27,800 MPa;  $f'_c = 34.5$  MPa;  $I=1.32 \times 10^{-3} \text{m}^4$ ; and  $S = 7.46 \times 10^{-3} \text{m}^3$ .



### EXERCISE #8 - BROMS' METHOD LATERAL CAPACITY ANALYSIS SOLUTION

STEP 1 Determine the general soil type within the critical depth below ground surface (about 4 or 5 pile diameters).

For pile diameter of 0.356 meter, the critical depth below the ground surface is about 1.42 to 1.78 meters (or an average of 1.60 meters). Therefore, the general soil type within the critical depth below the ground surface is cohesionless soil described as medium silty fine sand.

STEP 2 Determine the coefficient of horizontal subgrade reaction, K<sub>h</sub>, within the critical depth based on cohesive or cohesionless soils.

For cohesionless soils, choose the  $K_h$  from Table 9-11 based on soil density and ground water table. For a <u>medium</u> silty fine sand,  $K_h$  is around 8,143 kN/m<sup>3</sup> when the ground water table is below the critical depth.

STEP 3 Adjust K<sub>h</sub> for loading and soil conditions.

For cyclic loading in medium dense cohesionless soils:

$$K_{h} = \frac{1}{2} K_{h}$$

 $= \frac{1}{2} (8,143) = 4072 \text{ kN/m}^3$ 

STEP 4 Determine pile parameters.

- a. Modulus of elasticity, E = 27,800 MPa
- b. Moment of inertia,  $I = 1.32 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^4$
- c. Section modulus,  $S = 7.46 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3$
- d. Ultimate compressive strength,  $f'_c = 34.5$  MPa

- e. Embedded pile length, D = 11 m
- f. Pile width, b = 0.356 m
- g. Eccentricity of applied load,  $e_c = 0$  for fixed-headed pile
- h. Dimensionless shape factor, C<sub>s</sub>, applied only to steel piles.
- i. Resisting moment of pile,  $M_y = f'_c S$  for concrete piles

STEP 5 Determine  $\eta$  for cohesionless soils.

$$\eta = \sqrt[5]{K_{\rm h}/El} = \sqrt[5]{\frac{4,072 \text{ kN/m}^3}{(27.8 \times 10^6 \text{ kN/m}^2) (1.32 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^4)}}$$

 $= 0.644 \text{ m}^{-1}$ 

STEP 6 Determine the dimensionless length factor for cohesionless soil.

$$\eta D = 0.644 \text{ m}^{-1} (11 \text{ m}) = 7.09$$

STEP 7 Determine if pile is long or short according to the cohesionless soil criteria. Since  $\eta D = 7.09$  which is greater than 4.0 therefore the pile is long. STEP 8 Determine other soil parameters.

a. Rankine passive pressure coefficient for cohesionless soil, K<sub>p</sub>, is:

 $K_{p} = \tan^{2} (45 + \phi/2)$ 

where  $\phi$  is the average soil friction angle along the embedded pile length.

Therefore, the Rankine passive pressure coefficient,  $K_p$ , is:

$$K_{p} = \tan^{2} (45 + \phi/2)$$

$$= \tan^2 (45 + 35/2) = 3.69$$

b. Average effective soil unit weight over embedded length of pile,  $\gamma$  (kN/m<sup>3</sup>).

Since the water table is below the bottom of the pile, the average effective soil unit weight,  $\gamma$ , is total weight of 18.8 kN/m<sup>3</sup>

STEP 9 Determine the ultimate (failure) load, Q<sub>u</sub>, for a single pile.

The pile will be used in group under a pile cap, *i.e.*, fixed headed pile. Figure 9.30 should be used to calculate the ultimate load of a long fixed headed pile.

$$\frac{M_y}{b^4 \gamma K_p} = \frac{257.4 \text{ kN-m}}{(0.355 \text{ m})^4 (18.8 \text{ kN/m}^3) (3.69)} = 234$$

From the fixed head curve in Figure 9.30,  $Q_u/K_pb^3\gamma = 95$ . Therefore,

$$Q_u = 95 K_p b^3 \gamma = 95 (3.69) (0.355 m)^3 (18.8 kN/m^3) = 295 kN$$
STEP 10 Calculate the maximum allowable working load for a single pile, Q<sub>m</sub>, from the ultimate load, Q<sub>u</sub>, determined in Step 9, as shown in Figure 9.31.

$$Q_m = \frac{Q_u}{2.5} = \frac{295 \text{ kN}}{2.5} = 118 \text{ kN}$$

STEP 11 Calculate the deflection, y, corresponding to the working load, Q<sub>a</sub>.

Since neither the working load,  $Q_a$ , nor the design deflection at the ground surface, y, are given,  $Q_m$  should be used to calculate  $y_m$ . For fixed headed pile in cohesionless soil with  $\eta D = 7.09$ , and using Figure 9.33 results in

 $y(EI)^{3/5} K_{h}^{2/5} / Q_{a}D = 0.13$ 

Replace  $Q_a$  with  $Q_m$  to calculate for  $y_m$ :

$$y_{m} = 0.13 \text{ Q}_{m} \text{ D} / (\text{EI})^{3/5} \text{ K}_{h}^{2/5}$$
  
= 0.13(118 kN)(11 m) / [(27.8x10<sup>6</sup> kN/m<sup>2</sup>) (1.32x10<sup>-3</sup> m<sup>4</sup>)]<sup>3/5</sup> (4,072 kN/m<sup>3</sup>)<sup>2/5</sup>  
= 0.011 m or 11.0 mm

Therefore, the maximum allowable working load of 118 kN will cause the pile head to deflect 11.0 mm at the ground surface.

STEP 12 Compare the design load Q<sub>a</sub>, and design deflection, y, (if available) with the maximum allowable working load, Q<sub>m</sub>, and deflection, y<sub>m</sub>.

Q<sub>a</sub> and y are not known.

- STEP 13 Reduce the allowable load selected to account for group effects and method of installation.
  - a. Group effects.

The center to center pile spacing, z, is designed to be 1.5 meters.

(z/b) = (1.5 m) / (0.356 m) = 4.21

Using the reduction factor table and linear interpolation:

Reduction factor = 0.535

So,  $Q_m = 0.535 Q_m = 0.535 (118 \text{ kN}) = 63 \text{ kN}$ 

b. Method of installation.

No reduction is required for driven piles. So,  $Q_m = 63$  kN.

STEP 14 Compute the total lateral load capacity of the pile group.

The total lateral load capacity of the pile group is equal to the adjusted allowable load per pile from Step 13b times the number of piles.

Total pile group lateral load capacity = 24 (63 kN) = 1,512 kN

Pile group deflection as calculated in Step 11 is equal to 11.0 mm.

**Note:** The lateral resistance from the soil surrounding the embedded pile cap has not been taken into account.