Introduction to the Analysis and Design of Excavations

Fundamentals of Deep Excavations

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Definition of deep excavation :

Terzaghi(1943) : Those excavation depths were larger than their widths $(H_e > B)$

Terzaghi and Peck (1967); Peck et al.(1977) : Those depths were deeper than 6 meters

Since modern geotechnical software

has done most of the job of analysis and design, which applies to all excavation depths, following the same theories, it is not meaningful to distinguish between deep and shallow excavations.



A complete deep excavation design includes a retaining system, a strutting system, a dewatering system, excavation procedure, a monitoring system, building protection, etc. Figure 1.1 illustrates the general course of deep excavation design.

Figure 1.1 Flow chart for analysis and design of an excavation







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Thank you for your attention!

The	specific	gravity:

The unit weight:

The water content:

The Atterberg limits:

The permeability:

The compression and swelling indices:

The strength characteristics

Soil type	LL	PL	PI
Kaolinite	35~100	25~35	
Illite	50~100	30~60	
Montmorillonite	100~800	50~100	
San Francisco bay mud (CH)	85~88	35~44	43~54
Boston blue clay (CL)	40~49	20~25	18~23
Chicago silty clay (CL)	30~42	17~22	14~20
London clay (CH)	70~80	24~29	47~70
Mexico city clay (MH)	425~550	57~150	300~493
Bangkok clay (CH)	76~102	29~47	23~27
Singapore marine clay (CH)	75~100	22~30	52~62
Shanghai clay (CL)	28~42	17~24	10~19
Taipei silty clay (CL)	25~40	17~24	8~16

2.5 Characteristics of drained shear strength of soils

2.6 Characteristics of undrained shear strength of saturated cohesive soils
2.6.1 Principle of undrained shear strength
2.6.2 Characteristics of undrained shear strength
2.6.3 Methods to obtain the undrained shear strength
2.7 Undrained shear strength of unsaturated cohesive soils

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A thorough understanding of the conditions of the excavation site, including:

- Shape, area and elevation of the excavation site
- Geological conditions
- Condition of groundwater
- Condition of adjacent buildings

Determine a provisional retaining method and an excavation method









Sand boiling analysis

Base shear (basal heave) analysis





The procedure of installation and of the later removal of the struts for the construction of floor slabs basically determines the locations and vertical distances of the struts.



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Clough and O'Rourke's chart





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Effective stress (drained) analysis: Effective stress (undrained) analysis: Total stress (undrained) analysis:









q=Mp'

р

Mohr-Coulomb model Duncan-Chang model HS model, HSS model

Nonlinear FE computation procedure







Well formulas:

$$s = \frac{Q}{4\pi kD} W(u) = \frac{Q}{4\pi T} W(u)$$
(9.1)
$$W(u) = \int_{u}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-u}}{u} du = -0.5772 - \ln u - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n} \frac{u^{n}}{n \times n!}$$
(9.2)
$$u = \frac{r^{2}S}{4Tt}$$
(9.3)



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Bending moment (t-m) Shear (t) -90 -60 -30 60 -60 -30 30 60 30 0 0 90 4 8-Pepth (m) -21 (m) -16-16-20-24-28

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Steel cages in diaphragm wall



Strut system

Table 11.1 Limiting values of angular distortion (Bjerrum, 1963)

Angular distortion	Type of damage
1/750	Dangerous to machinery sensitive to settlement
1/600	Dangerous to frames with diagonals
1/500	Safe limit to assure no cracking of buildings (factor of safety included)
1/300	First cracking of panel walls (factor of safety not included)
1/300	Difficulties with overhead cranes
1/250	Tilting with high rigid buildings become visible
1/150	Considerable cracking of panel and brick walls
1/150	Danger of structural damage to general buildings
1/150	Safe limit for flexible brick walls (factor of safety not included)

Type of foundation	Maximum settlement (mm)	Tilt angle	Angular distortion	Deflection ratio (hogging)	Deflection ratio (sagging)
RC raft foundation	45	1/500	1/500	0.0008	0.0012
RC individual footings	40	1/500	1/500	0.0006	0.0008
Brick individual footings	25	1/500	1/2500	0.0002	0.0004
Temporary buildings	40	1/500	1/500	0.0008	0.0012











Ground improvement





