
Soil Testing Parameters and GTS NX Verification

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Why is the soil parameter input important?

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- 1.1 Physical Parameters
- 1.2 Mechanical Parameters
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表 2.2 簡化土層與建議工程性質參數表(摘自中聯公司, 111 年 8 月)

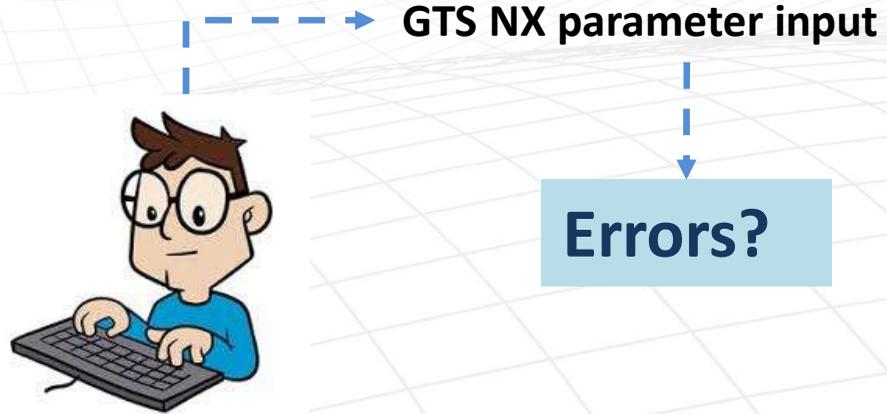
地層說明 深度	分類	N 值	γ_i t/m ³	總應力		有效應力		壓縮性質		不排水 剪力強 度Su t/m ²
				C t/m ²	ϕ 度	C' t/m ²	ϕ' 度	Cc	Cr	
一、回填覆土層 GL.-3.5±0.5m	SF	5~15 (10)	2.03	* 1	* 19	* 0	* 29	-	-	* 2.0
二、灰色粉土質黏土偶 夾薄層細砂 GL.-11.3±0.8m	CL	3~12 (4)	1.83	* 1	* 19	* 0	* 29	-	-	0.27 σ' (註3)
三、灰色粉土質細砂夾 粉土質黏土偶夾砂質粉 土 GL.-22.8±0.4m	SM ; CL	5~38 (14)	1.93	-	-	0	31	-	-	-
四、灰色粉土質黏土夾 黏土質粉土偶夾薄層砂 質粉土 GL.-27.0±1.9m	CL、 ML	5~11 (7)	1.81	1	20	0	30	0.210	0.021	0.27 σ' (註3)
五、灰色粉土質細砂夾 砂質粉土偶夾粉土質黏 土 GL.-30.7±0.5m	SM ; ML	10~33 (17)	1.93	-	-	0	32	-	-	-
六、灰色粉土質黏土偶 夾砂質粉土及有機物 GL.-38.4±1.7m	CL	6~20 (10)	1.78	2	21	0	31	0.329	0.031	0.27 σ' (註3)
七、黃棕、灰色粉土質 黏土夾粉土質細砂偶夾 砂質粉土 GL.-42.7±1.5m	CL ; SM	11~44 (28)	1.95	* 2	* 23	* 0	* 32	* 0.249	* 0.024	0.27 σ' (註3)
八、卵礫石夾棕灰色粉 土質細砂 GL.-52.9m, 孔底	GM	>50 (50)	2.20	-	-	* 1	* 38	-	-	-

In-situ soil investigation data



表 3.1 數值分析土層輸入參數表(HSsmall Model)

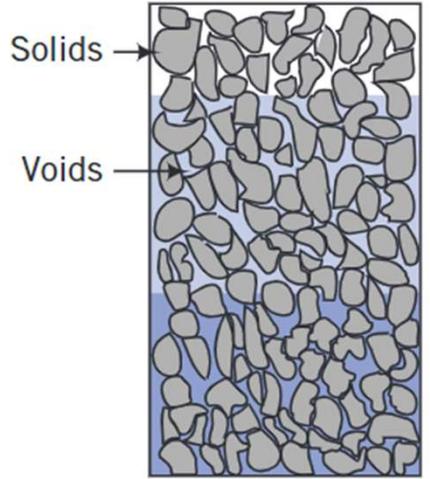
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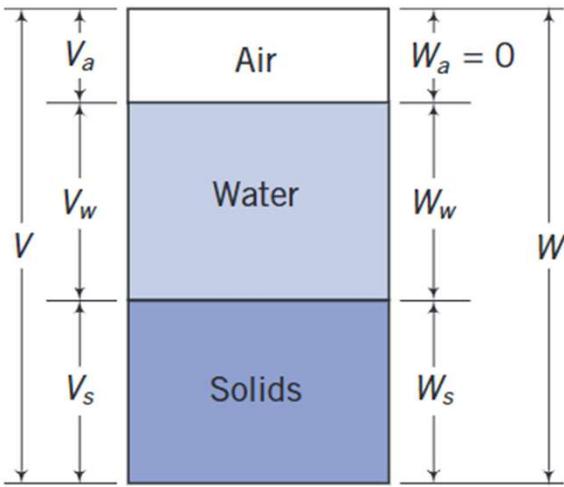
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1.1 Physical Parameters



(a) Soil

Idealization
→



(b) Idealized soil

In-situ soil
→



Sandy soil



Clay soil



chalk soil



silty soil



Peaty soil



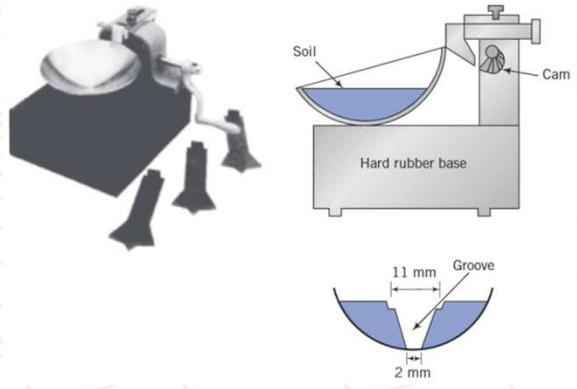
Loamy soil

Sand physical characteristics



(a) Grain sieve test

Clay physical characteristics

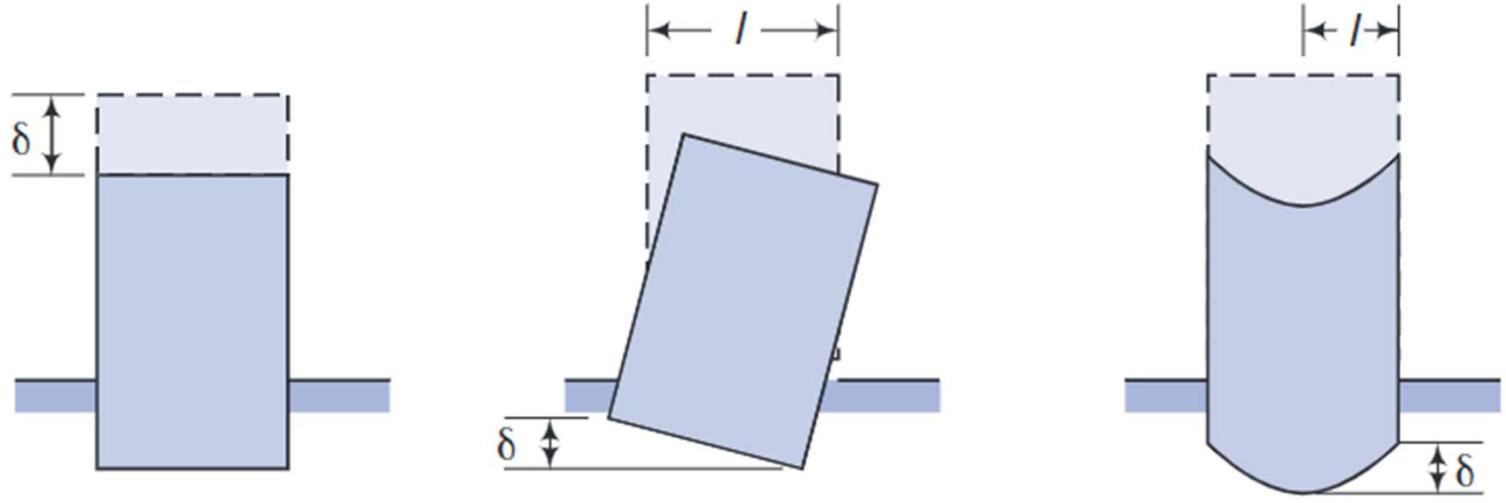


(b) Atterberg apparatus

Reference

Soil Mechanics Fundamentals – Muni Budhu (2015)

1.2 Mechanical Parameters



(a) Uniform settlement

(b) Tilt or distortion

(c) Nonuniform settlement

Testing for determining mechanical soil

Oedometer test

Direct shear test

Triaxial test

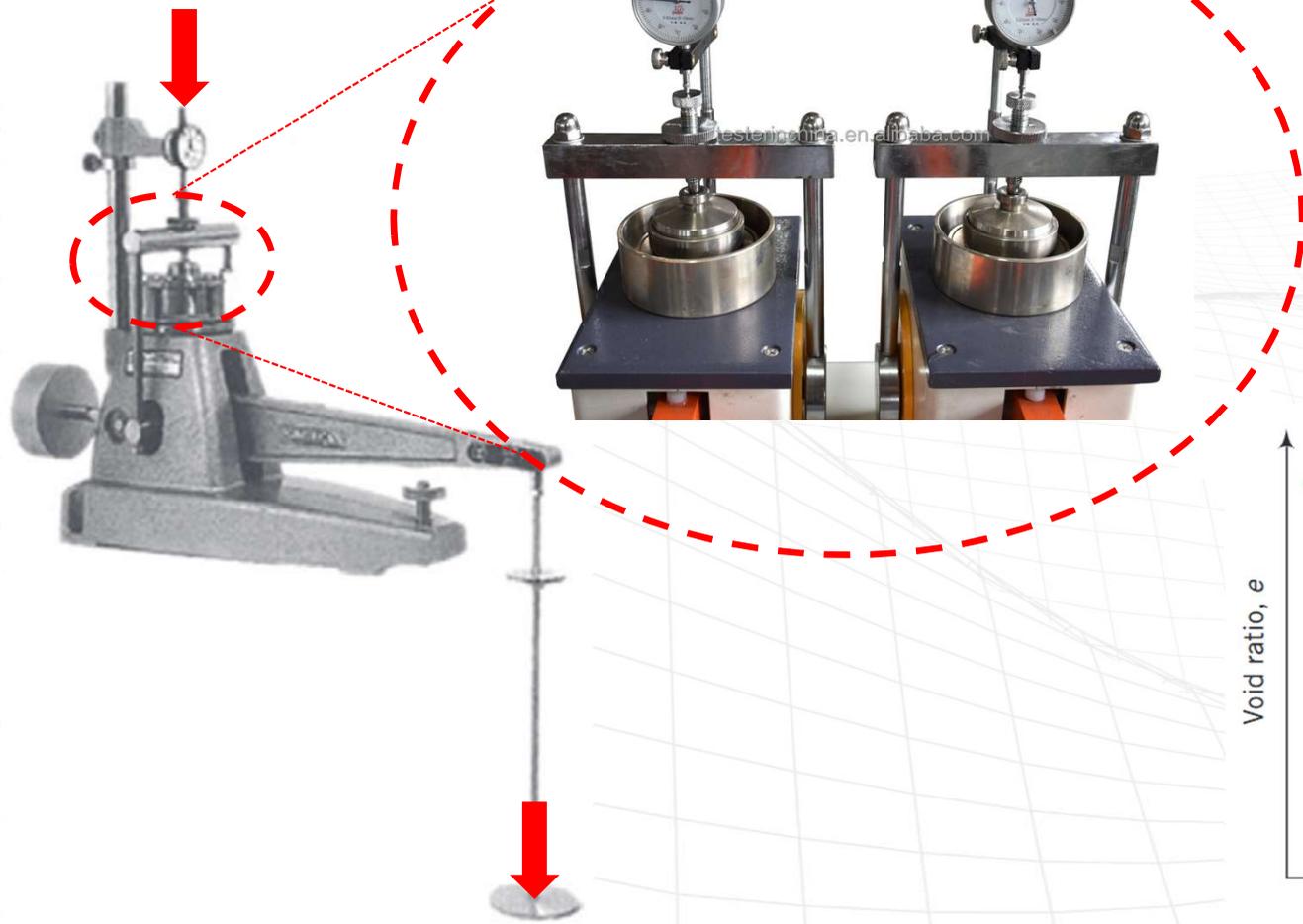
Field tests

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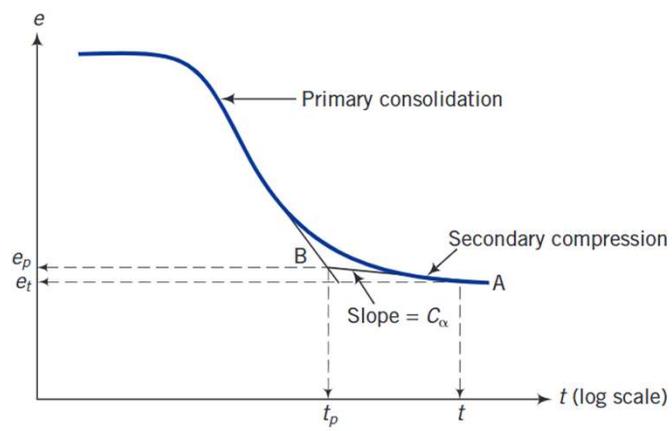
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A. Oedometer Test

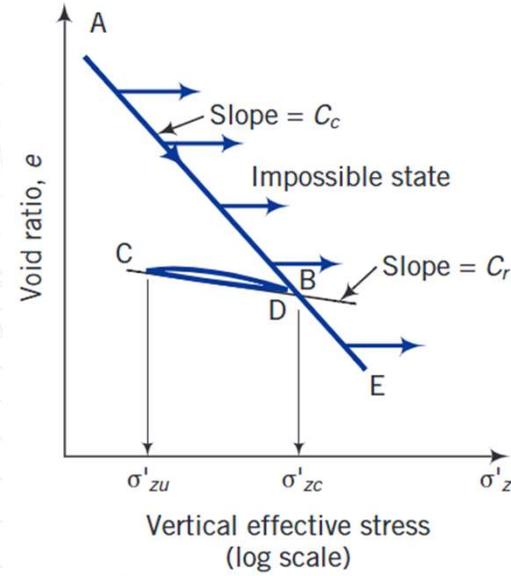
(2) Vertical loading



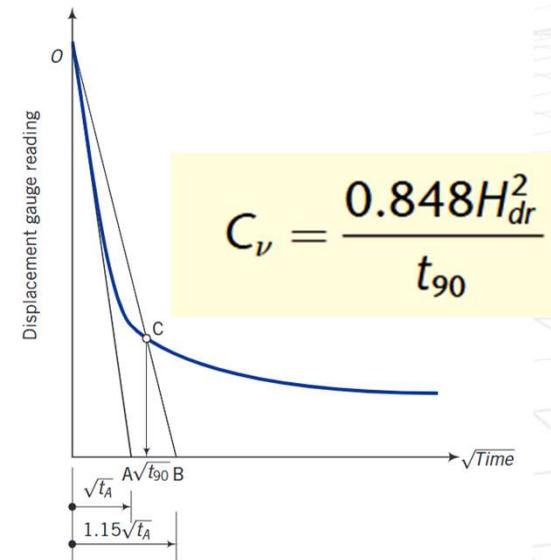
(1) Placing the load



Consolidation phases with time



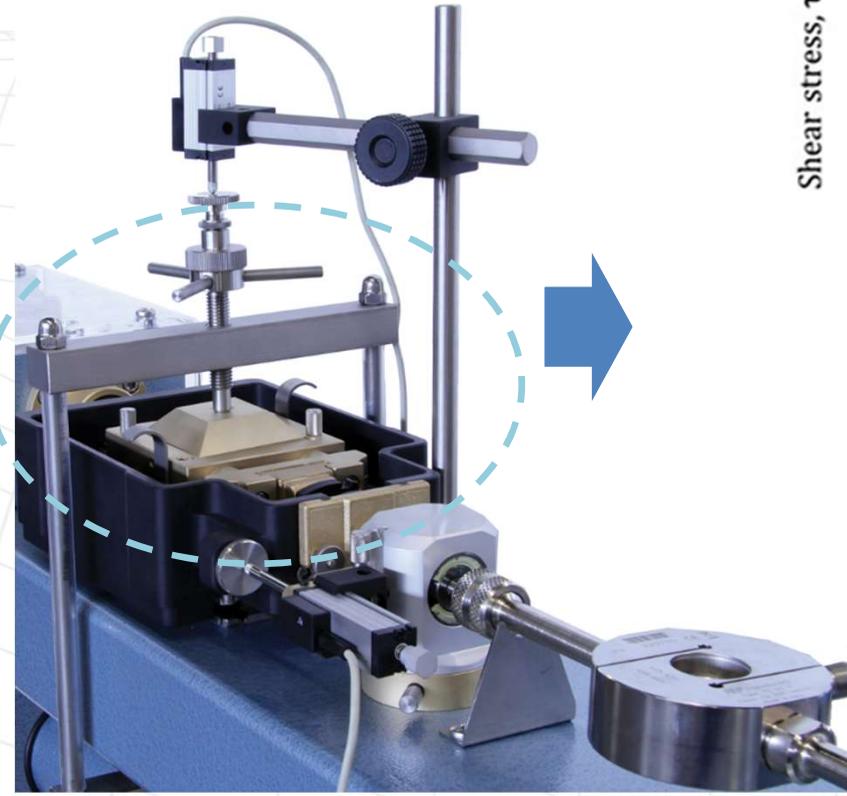
C_c & C_s determination



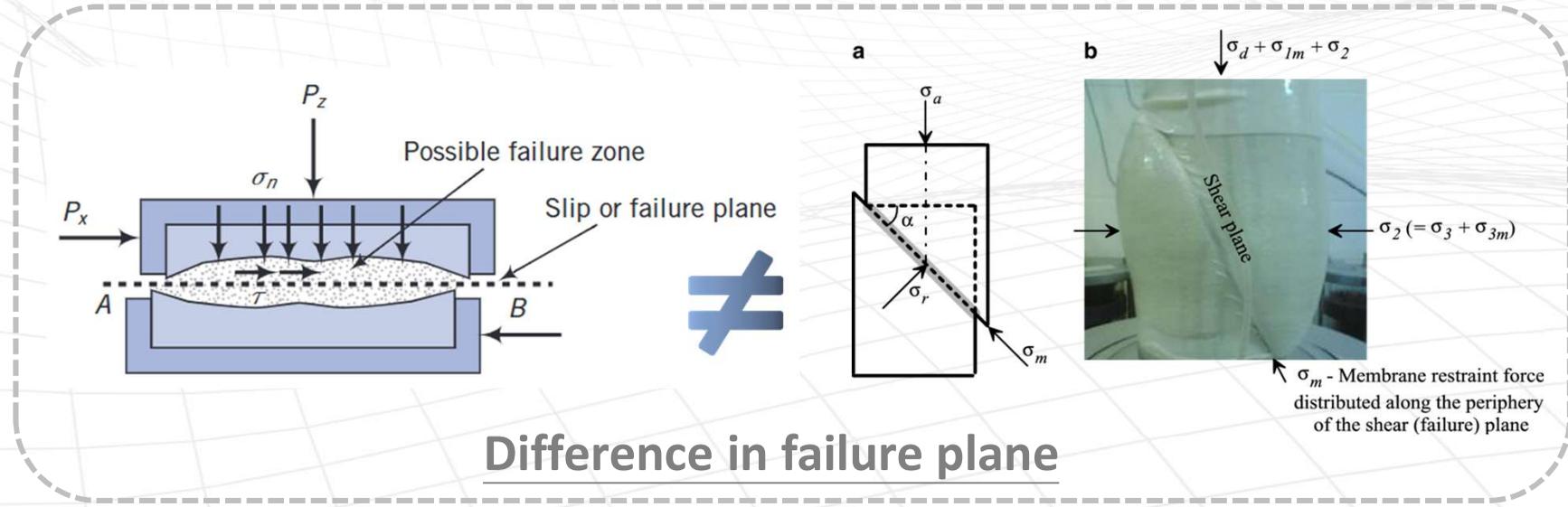
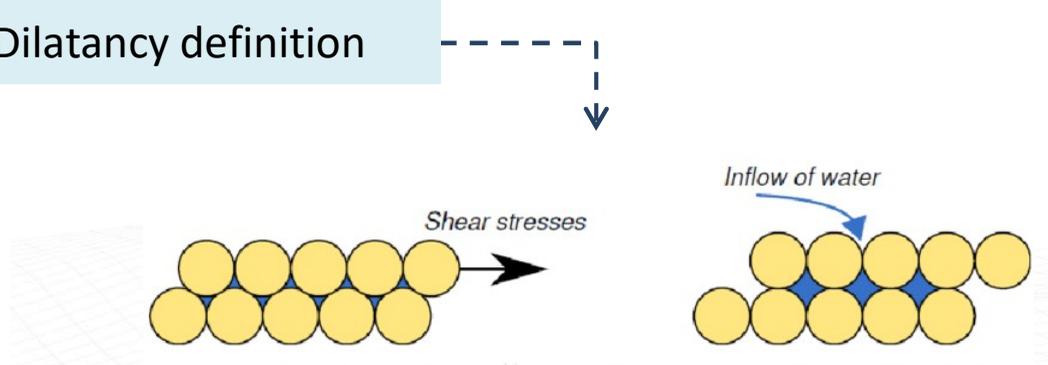
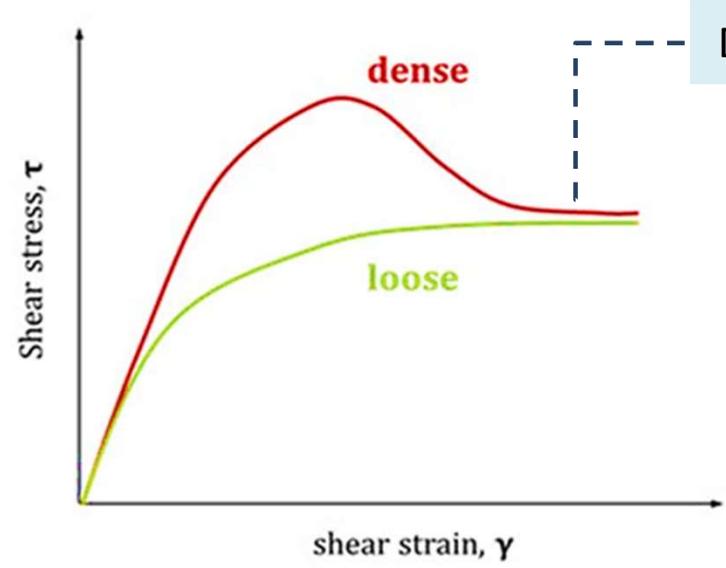
C_v determination

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B. Direct Shear Test



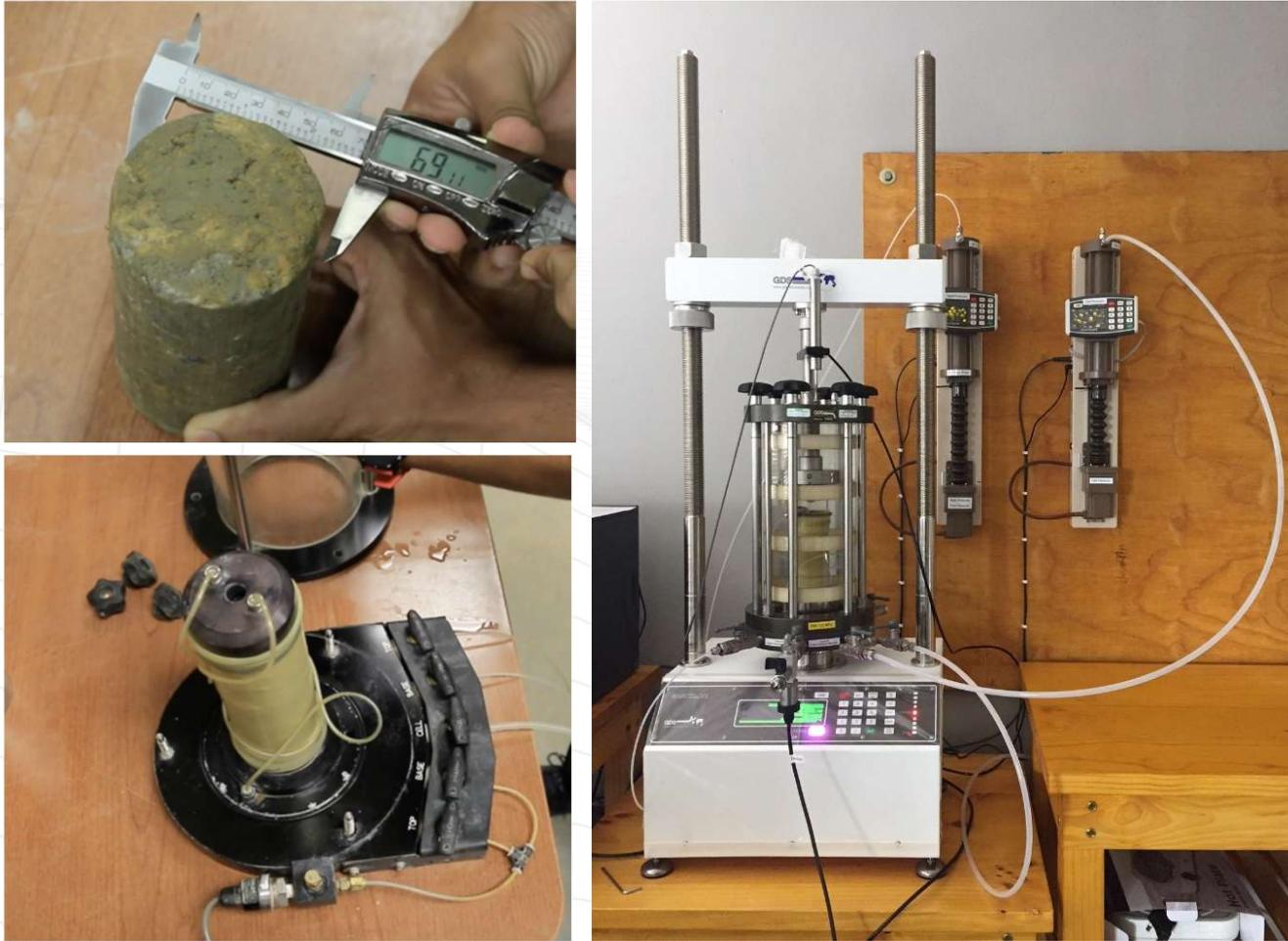
Direct shear apparatus



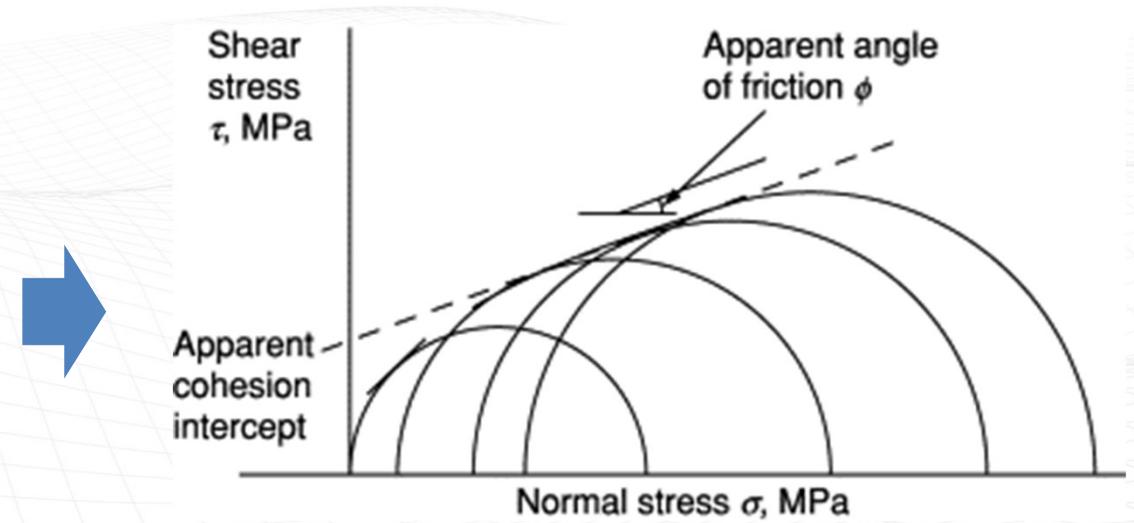
Difference in failure plane

Reference
[\(PDF\) A review on the effect of rubber membrane in triaxial tests](#)

C. Triaxial Test



(a) Triaxial test apparatus



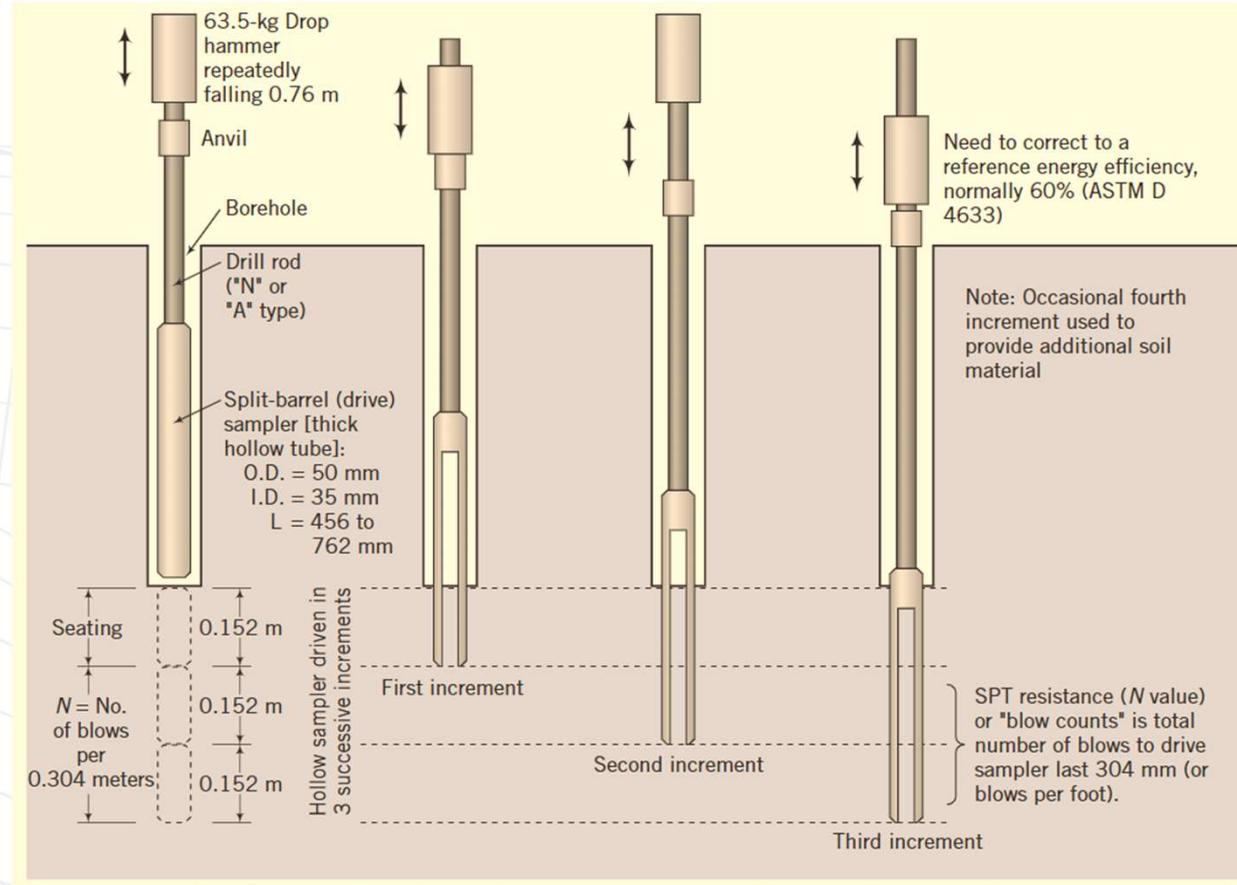
$$\tau = \sigma \tan(\phi) + c$$

(b) Results

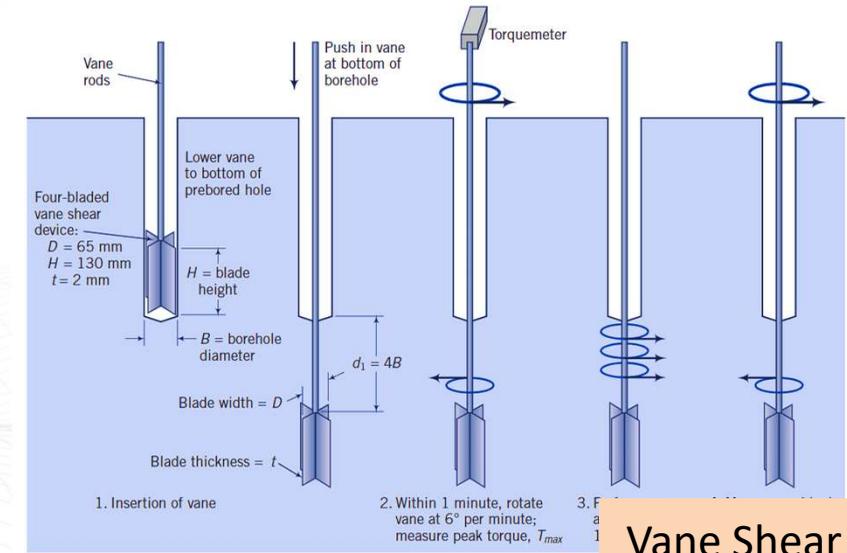
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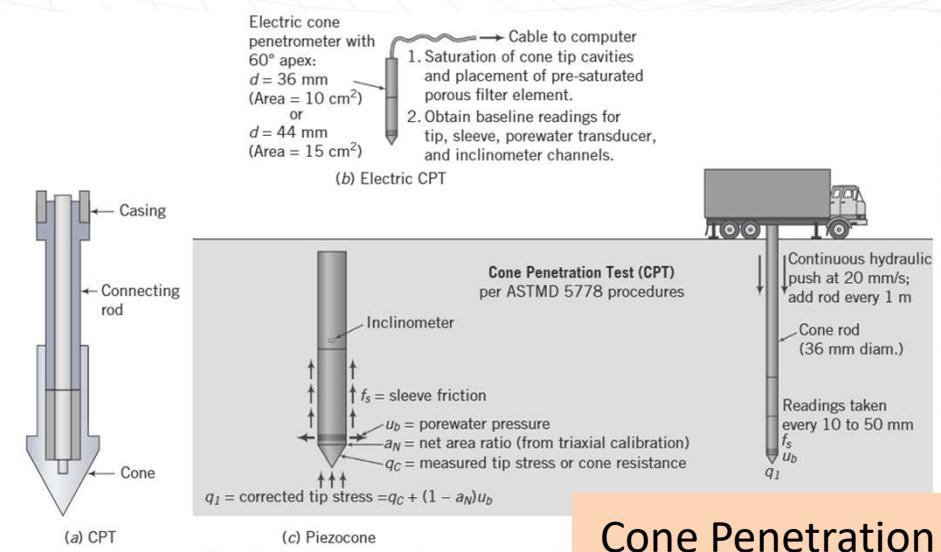
D. Field Tests



Standard Penetration Test (SPT)



Vane Shear Test (VST)



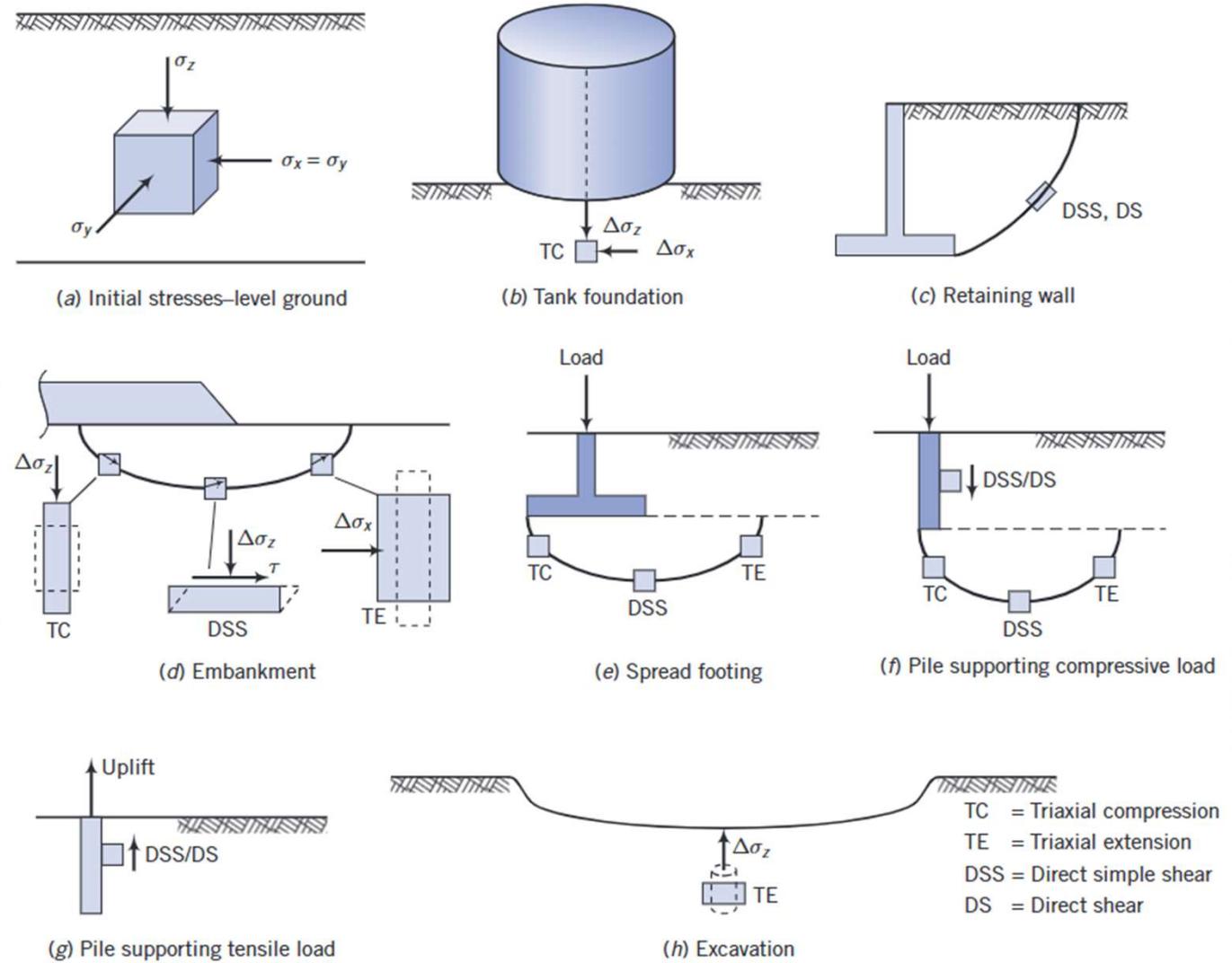
Cone Penetration Test (CPT)

Reference
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1.3 Practical Application

Practical consideration:

- Compression
- Extension
- Shearing



Fig, Practical cases and laboratory tests relation

Reference
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Part2. GTS NX Soil Constitutive Model

- 2.1 Various Constitutive Model
- 2.2 Non-linear Parameters
- 2.3 Soil Test Wizard

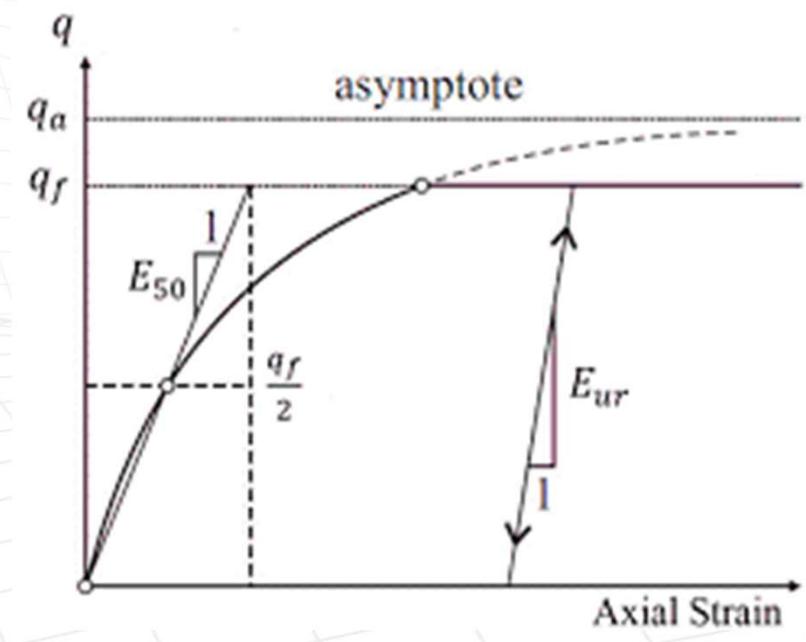
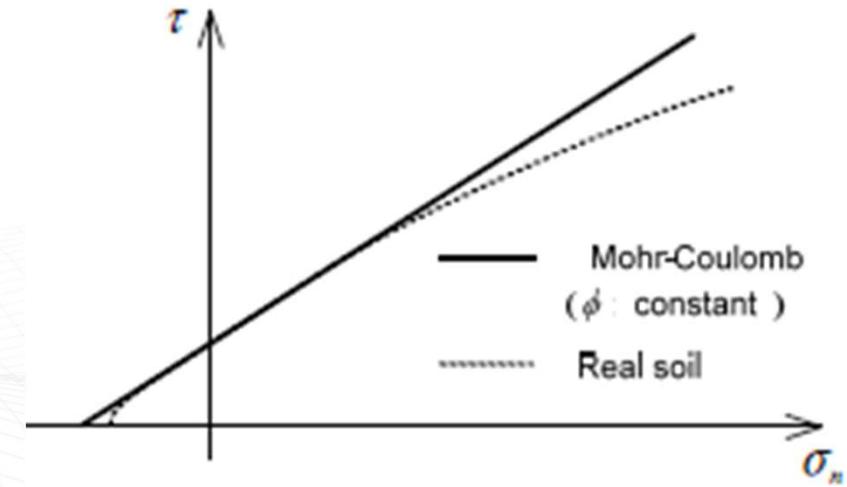
2.1 Various Constitutive Model

General Mohr-Coulomb
Hardening Soil (small strain stiffness)

Sand Modified UBCSAND
PM4Sand

Clay Soft soil (Creep)
Modified Cam Clay
Sekiguchi-Ohta(Inviscid)
Sekiguchi-Ohta(Viscid)
Generalized SCLAY1S

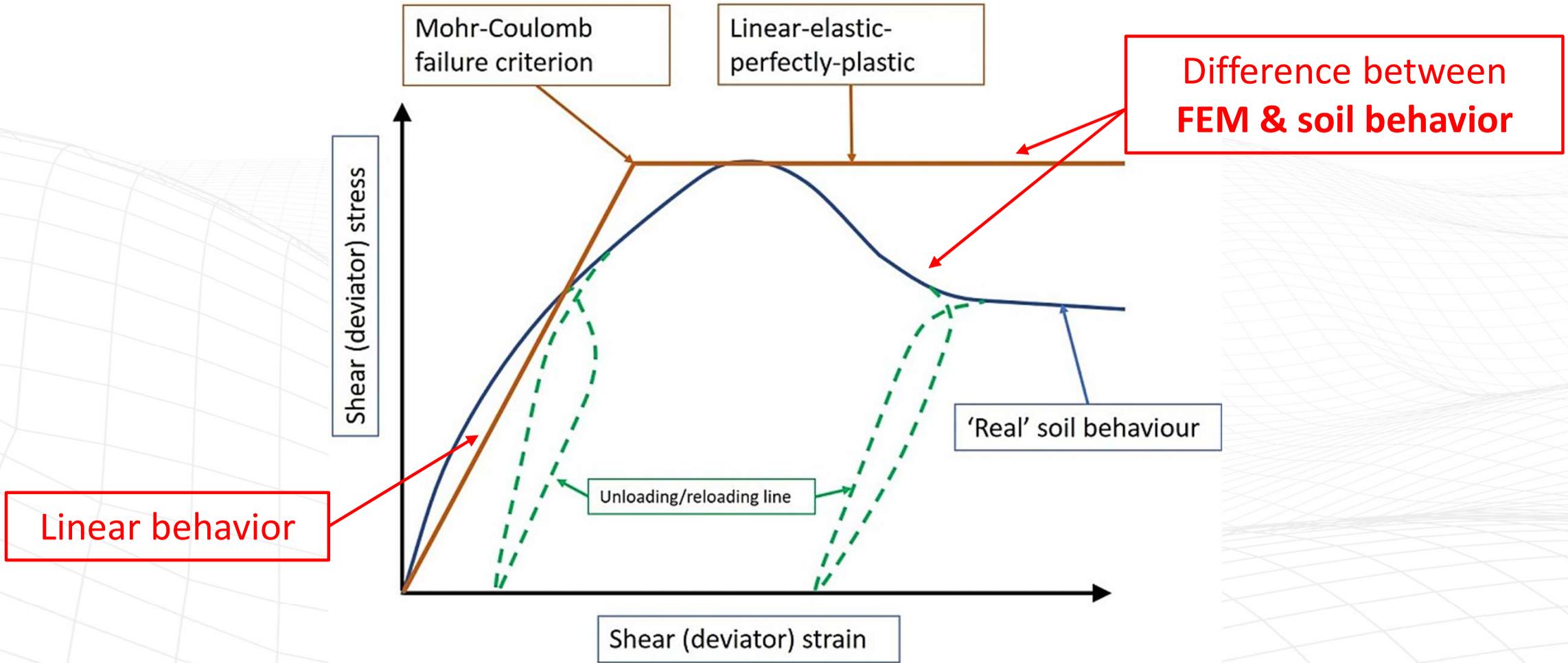
Rock (Generalized) Hoek Brown
Jointed Rock Mass
CWFS



Mohr-Coulomb

Hardening Soil Model

2.1 Various Constitutive Model

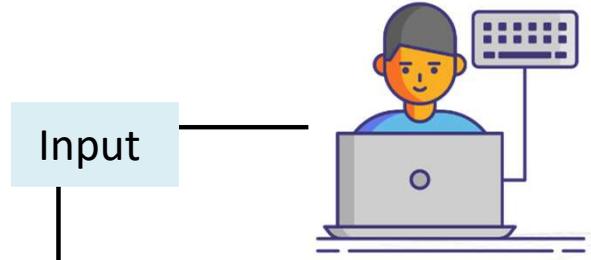
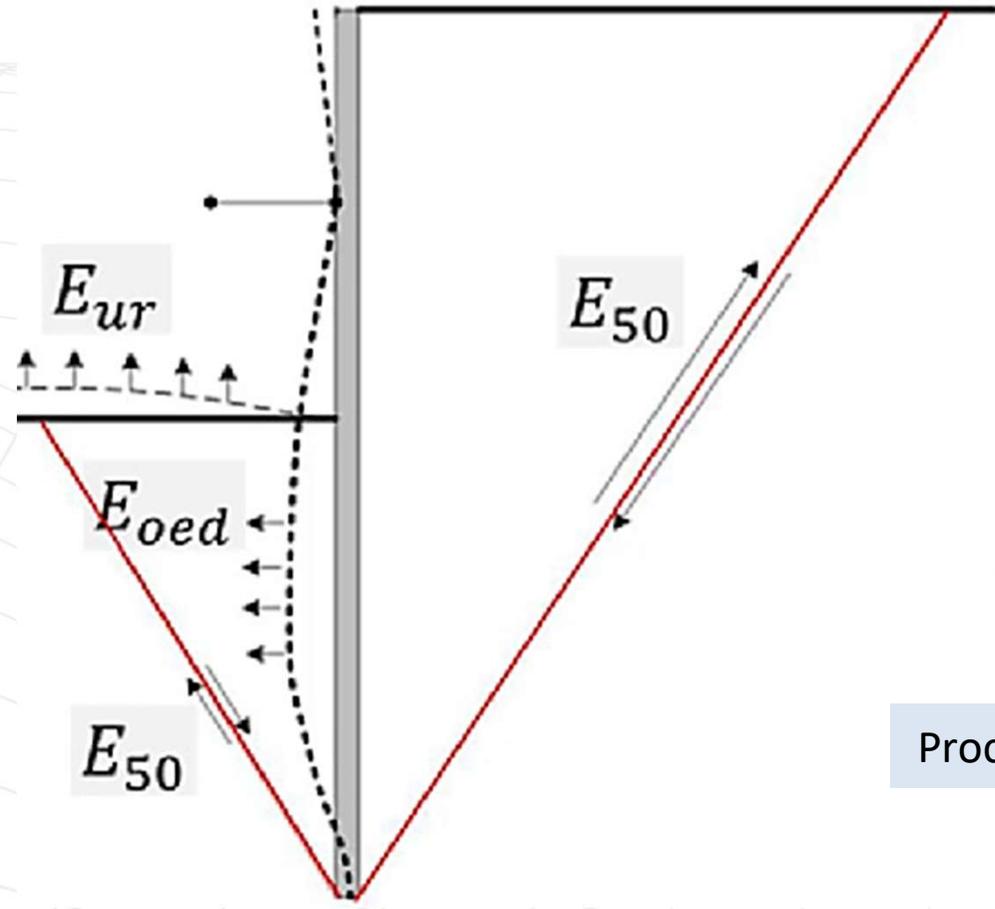


Fig, Schematic of soil behavior and FEM simulation

Reference
[Determination of Model Parameters for the Hardening Soil Model](#)

2.2 Non-linear Parameters

Soil stiffness



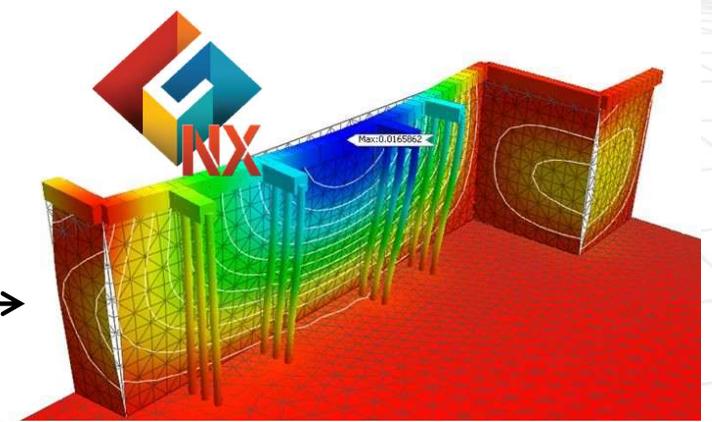
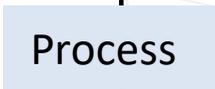
$$E_{50} = E_{50}^{ref} \left(\frac{\sigma'_3 + c' \cdot \cot \varphi'}{P_{ref} + c' \cdot \cot \varphi'} \right)^m$$

$$E_{oed} = E_{oed}^{ref} \left(\frac{\sigma'_1 + c' \cdot \cot \varphi'}{P_{ref} + c' \cdot \cot \varphi'} \right)^m$$

$$E_{ur} = E_{ur}^{ref} \left(\frac{\sigma'_3 + c' \cdot \cot \varphi'}{P_{ref} + c' \cdot \cot \varphi'} \right)^m$$

Where

- $E_{50}(ref)$ - Shear deformation
- $E_{oed}(ref)$ - Compression
- $E_{ur}(ref)$ - Loading/unloading



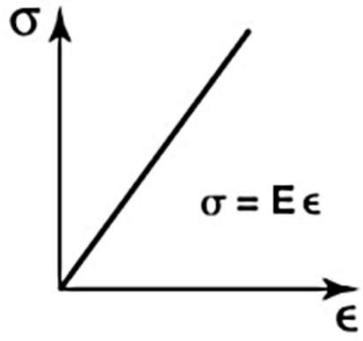
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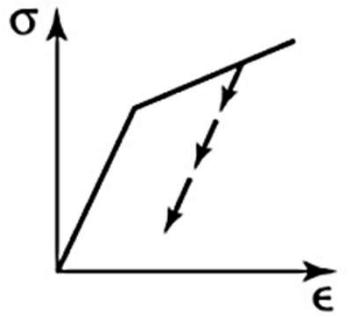
2.2 Non-linear Parameters

Different range of strains

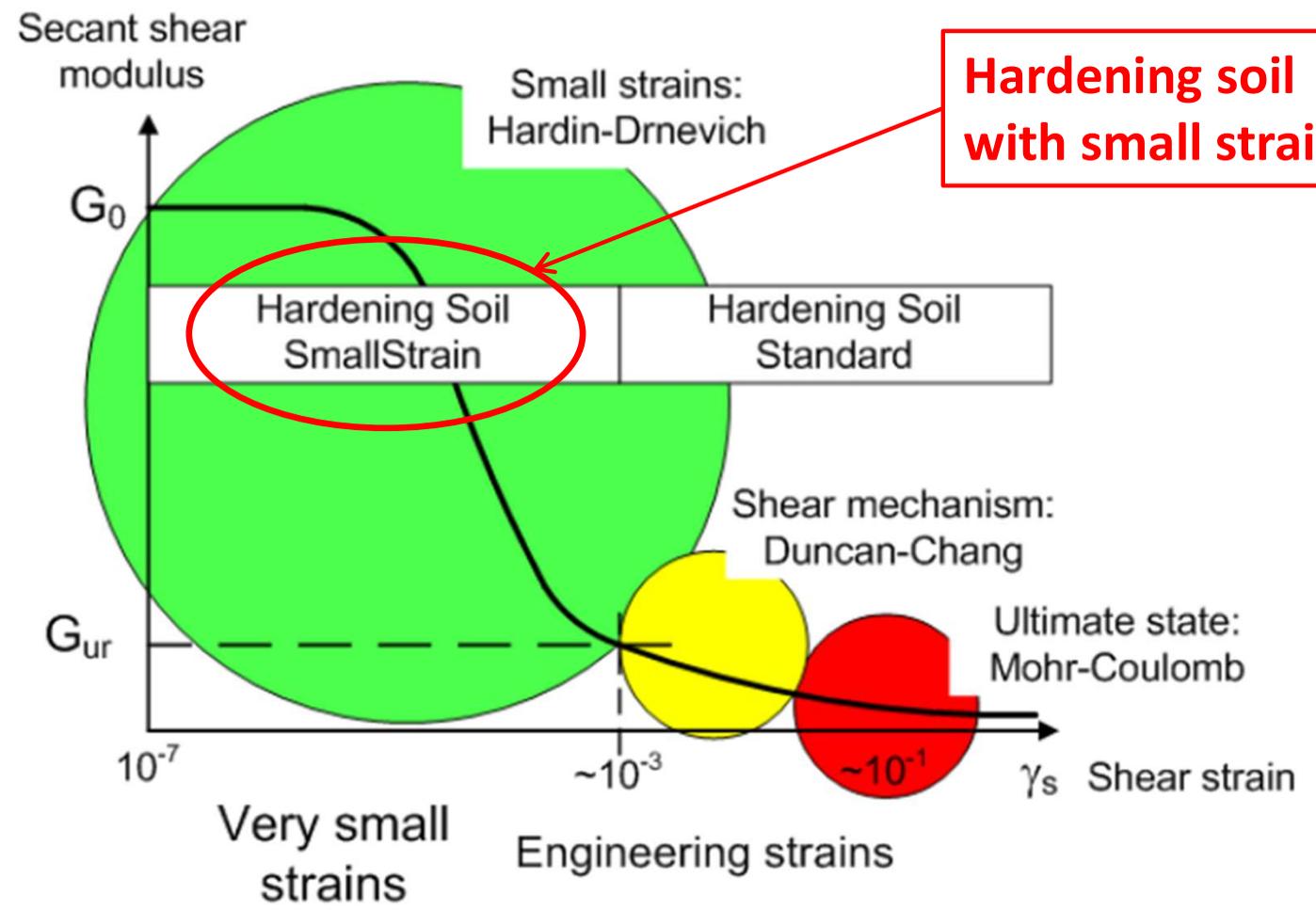
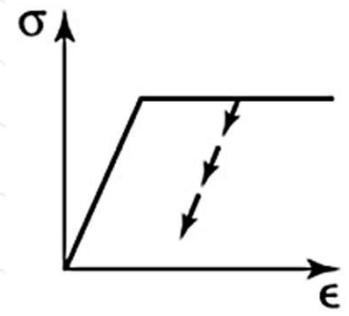
Linear Elastic



Elastic-Perfectly Plastic



Linear Hardening



Hardening soil with small strain

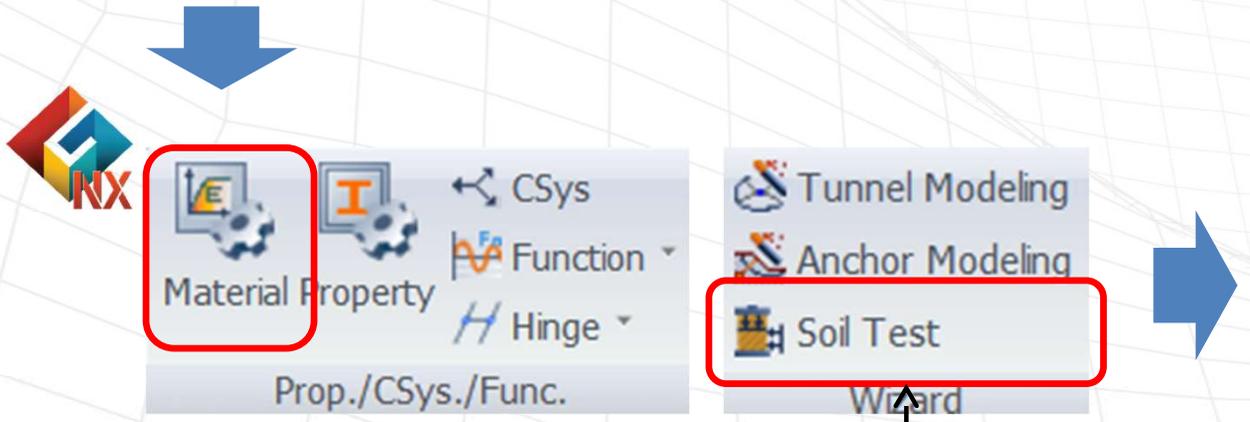
Fig, Schematic of shear strain in difference of ranges

2.4 Soil Test Wizard

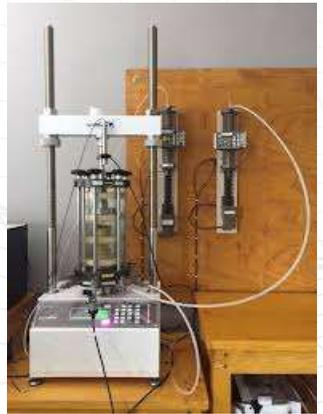
Triaxial test

表 3.1 数值分析土层输入参数表(HSsmall Model)

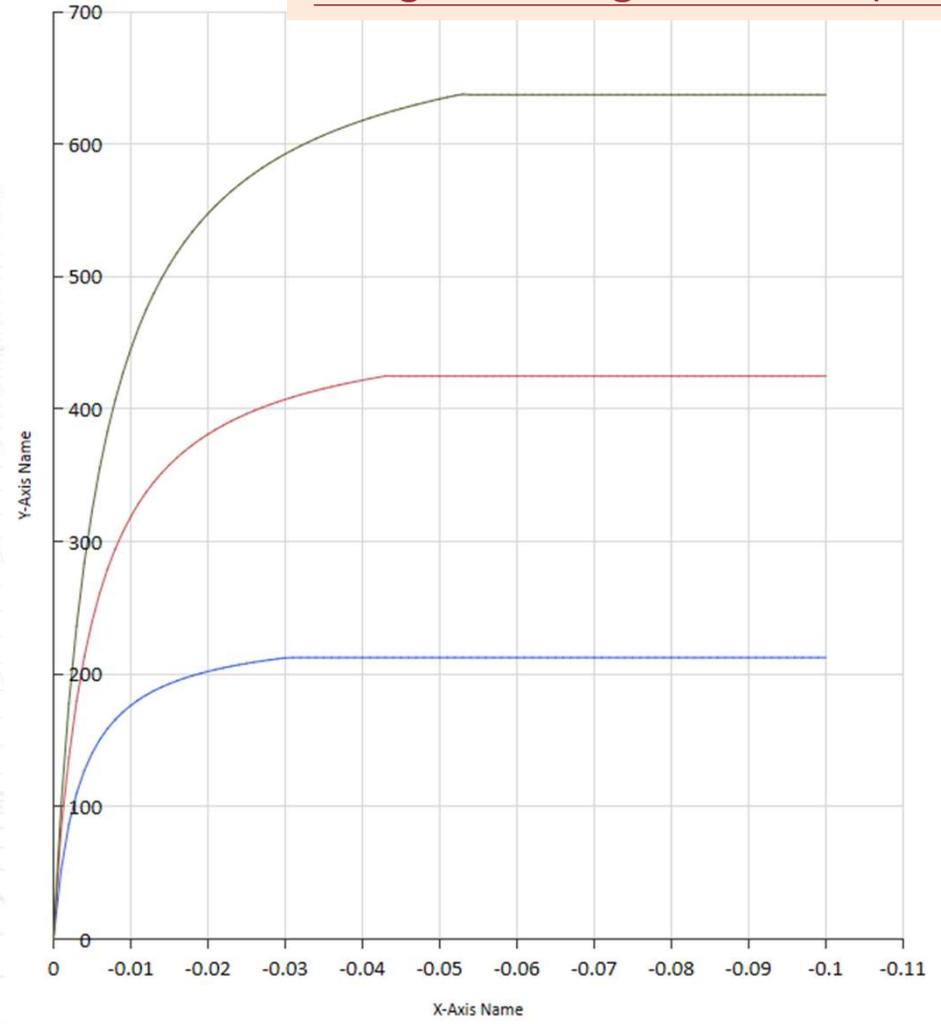
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Input in-situ soil data



Using Hardening Soil Model (HSS)!



Fig, Representation of triaxial test data by 'Soil Test' in GTS NX

2.4 Soil Test Wizard

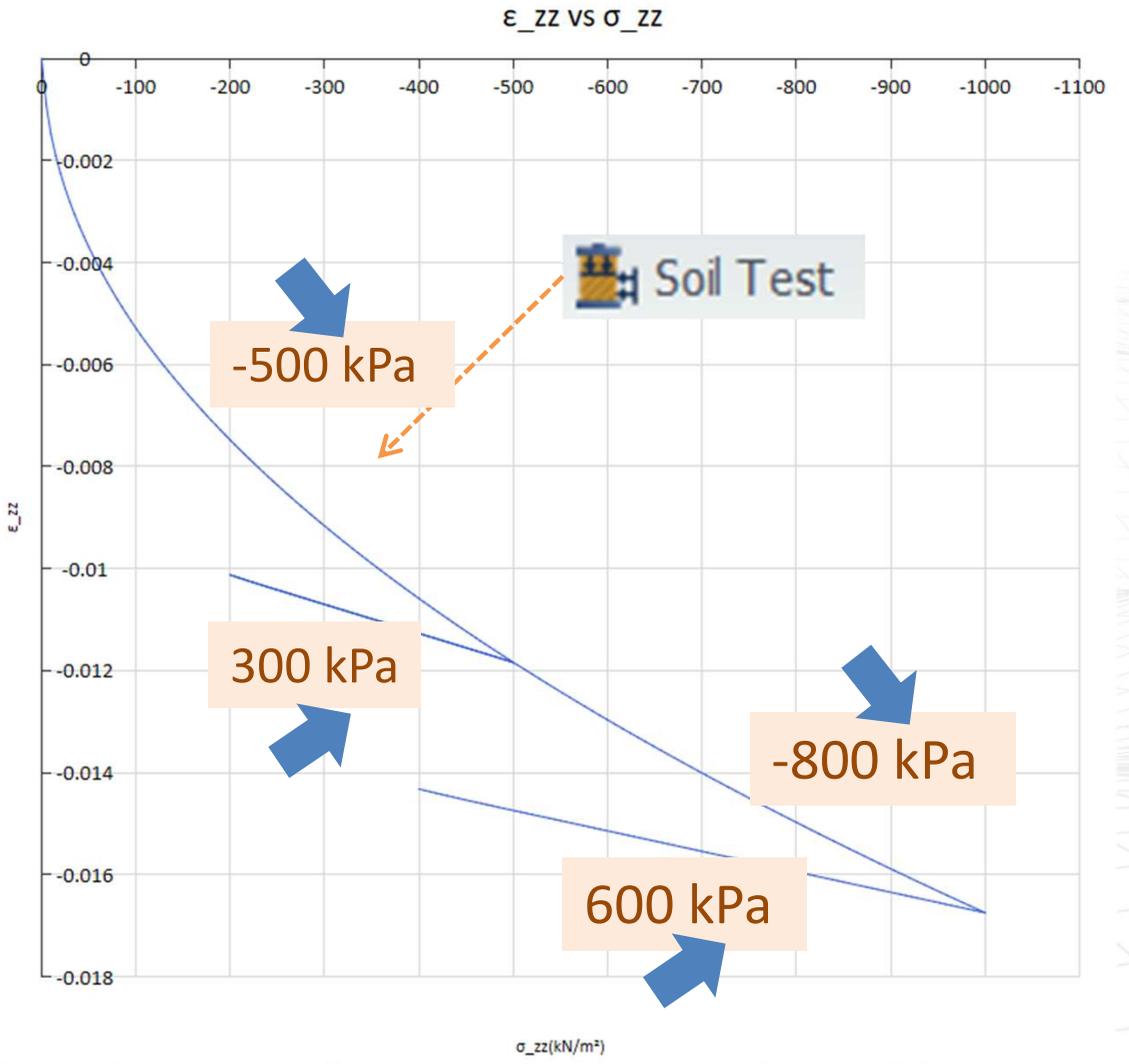
Oedometer test

Table, Stage of loading assignment

Stage Name	Inc.	Time(day)	σ_{zz} (kN/m ²)
1 Loading1	100	1.00	-500.000
2 Unloading1	100	1.00	300.000
3 Loading1	100	1.00	-800.000
4 Unloading1	100	1.00	600.000



Fig, Oedometer test



Fig, Schematic of 2 times loading/ unloading

Part3. GTS NX Verification

- 3.1 Unconfined Compressive Strength (UCS) Test
- 3.2 Oedometer Test
- 3.3 Direct Shear (DS) Test

3.1 UCS Test – Lab testing data



Specimen



Set up



During compression

RESULTS



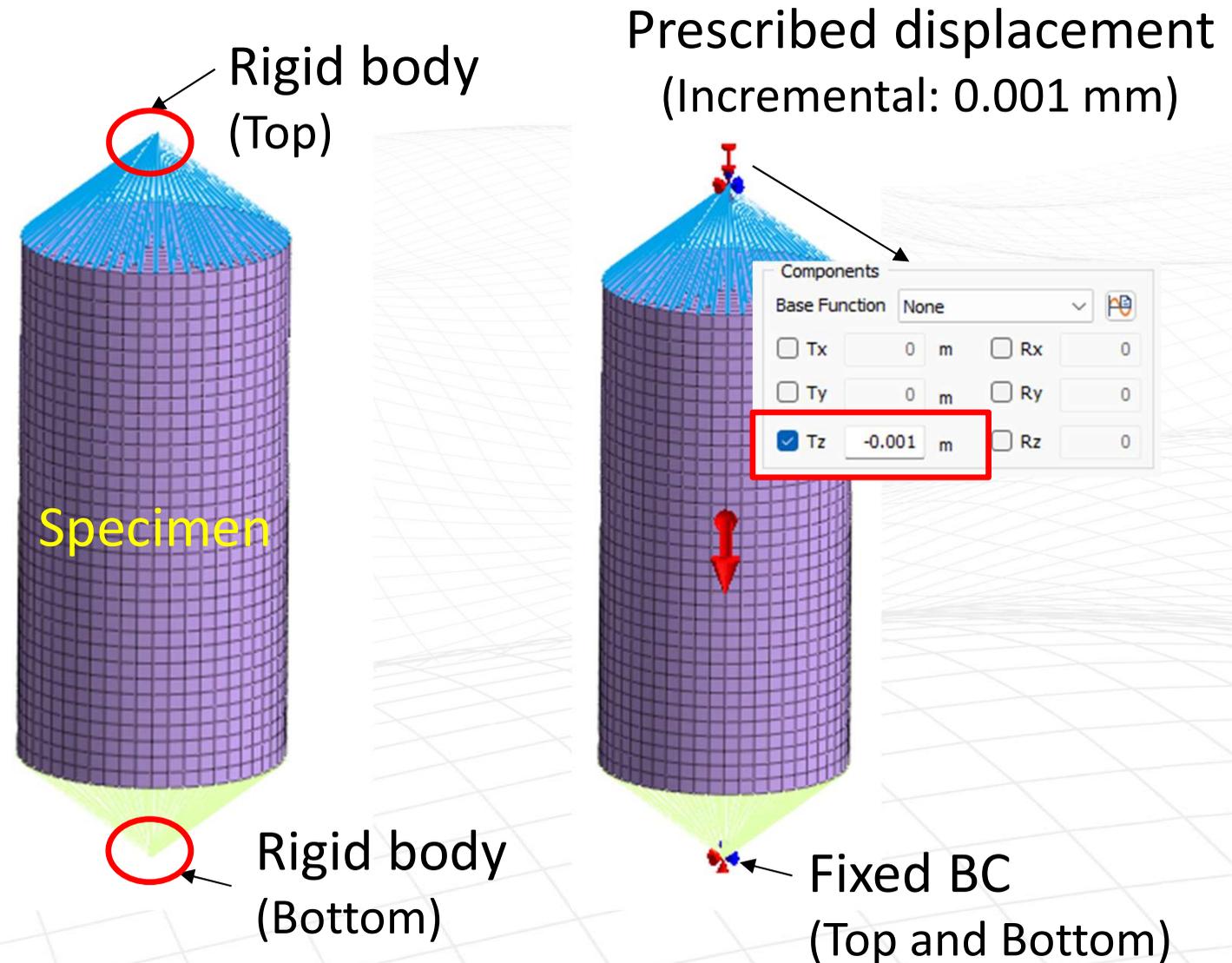
3.1 UCS Test – GTS NX simulation

UCS Test with specimen dimension:
5 cm diameter x 10 cm height (H/D=2)

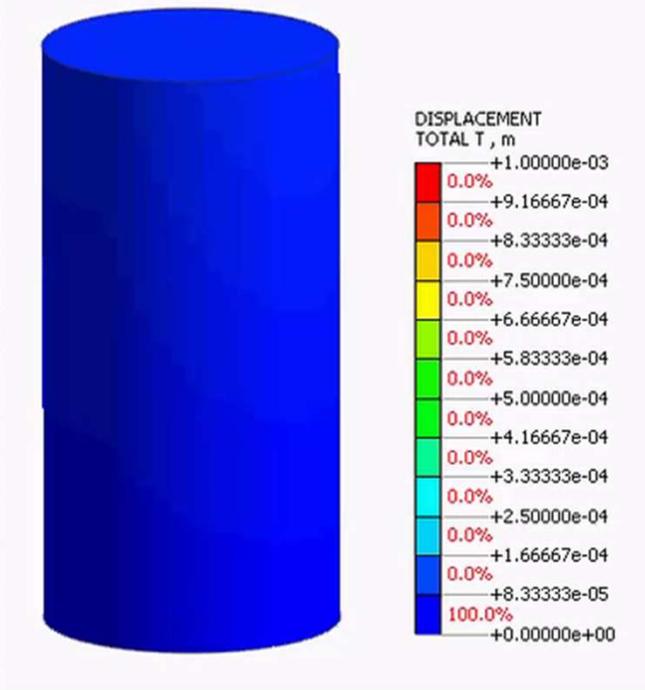
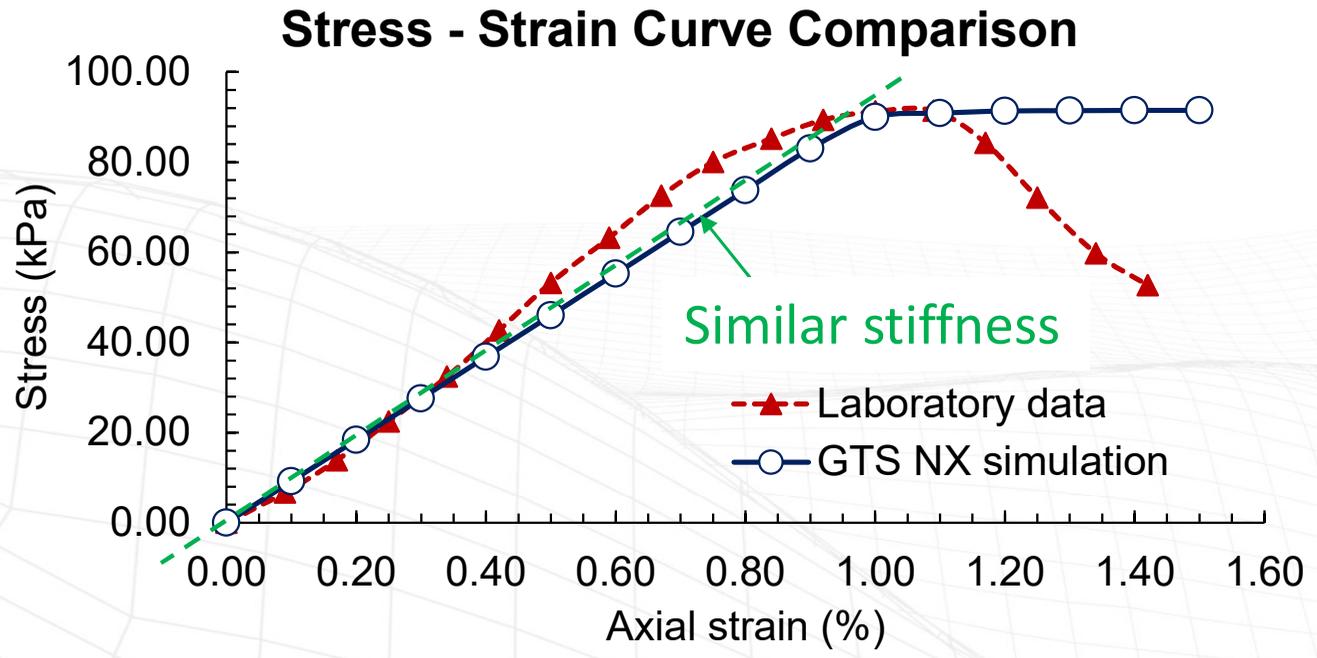
Table, Mohr-coulomb soil parameter input

Soil Parameter	Value
Mohr-coulomb model	Drain
Young's modulus (kPa)	18,000
Poisson ratio	0.3
Unit weight (unsat) (kN/m ³)	20
Unit weight (sat) (kN/m ³)	20
Cohesion (kPa)	25
Friction angle (degree)	33

Reference GTS NX file name: UCS Test_final



3.1 UCS Test – Comparison



- There are three key highlights:
- Similar peak of stress
 - Similar stiffness evolution
 - Reality soil & constitutive model is represented

3.2 Oedometer test – Lab testing data



Procedure:

- Increased loading phase: 12 ▶ 25 ▶ 50 ▶ 100
- Decreased loading phase: 100 ▶ 50 ▶ 25 ▶ 12
- Remain 24 hours for each phase

➔ RESULTS

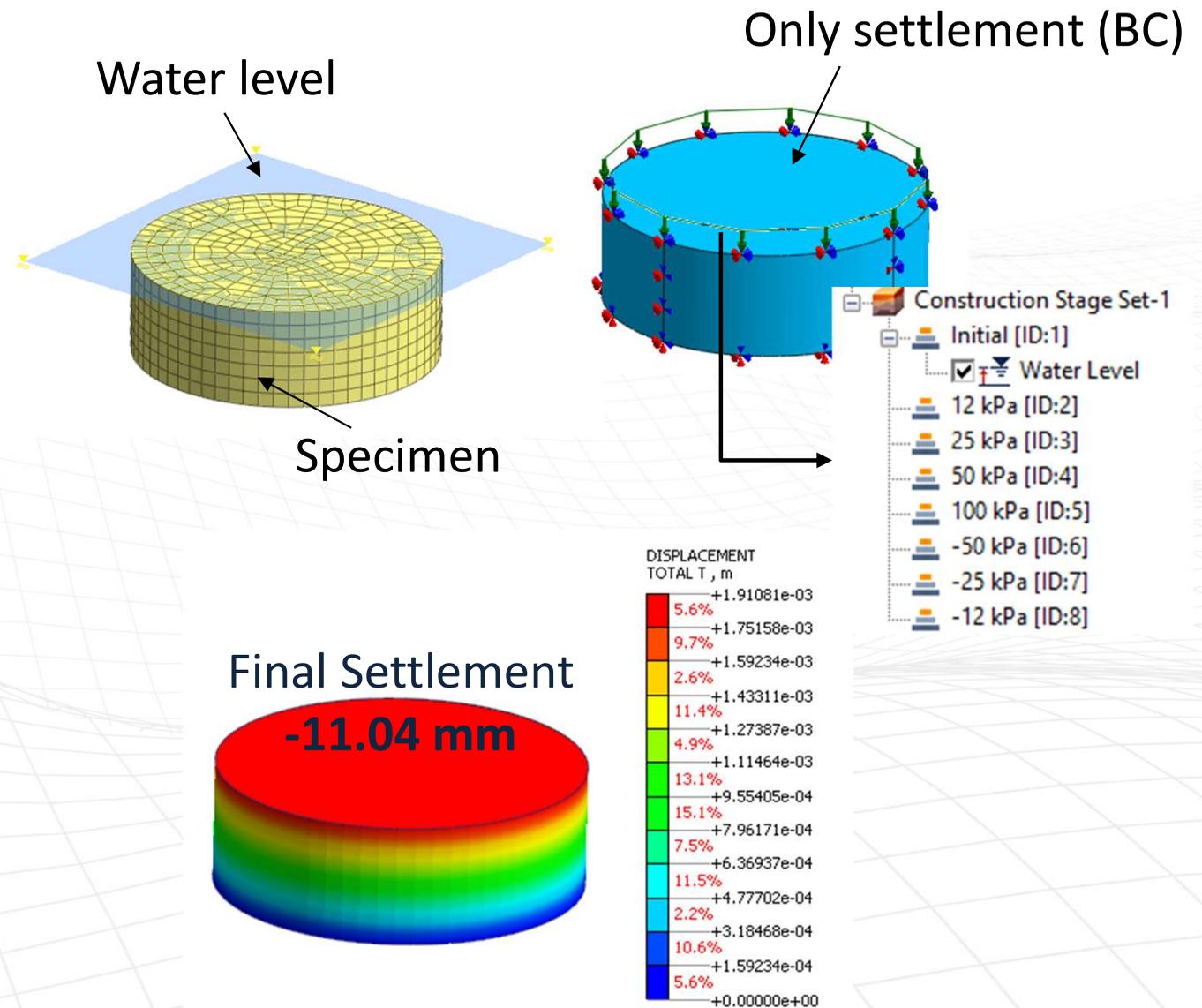


3.2 Oedometer test – GTS NX simulation

Oedometer Test with specimen dimension:
6 cm diameter x 2 cm height (D/H=3)

Table, Hardening Soil model parameter input

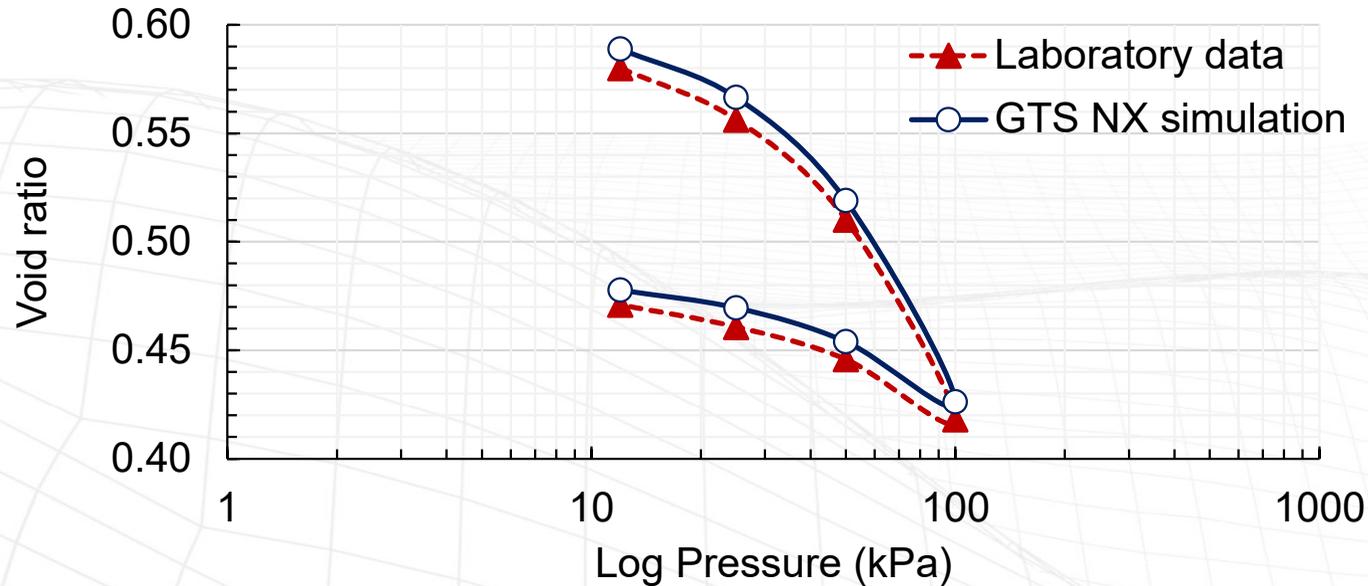
Soil Parameter	Value
Parameters	Value
Unit weight (dry/sat), γ [kN/m ³]	17/18
Cohesion, c [kN/m ²]	25
Power of stress level dependency, m	0.3
E50 (ref), [kPa]	700
Eoed (ref), [kPa]	700
Eur (ref), [kPa]	2100
Friction angle, f [°]	25
Hydraulic conductivity, k (m/s)	$1.167 \cdot 10^{-8}$
Poisson ratio, ν [-]	0.3



Reference GTS NX file name: Oedometer Test_final

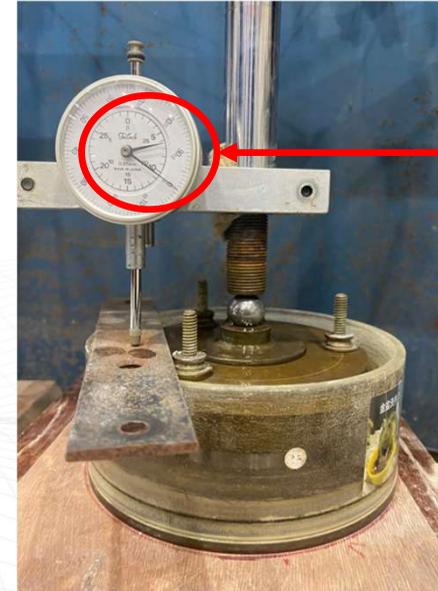
3.2 Oedometer test – Comparison

e-P Curve Comparison

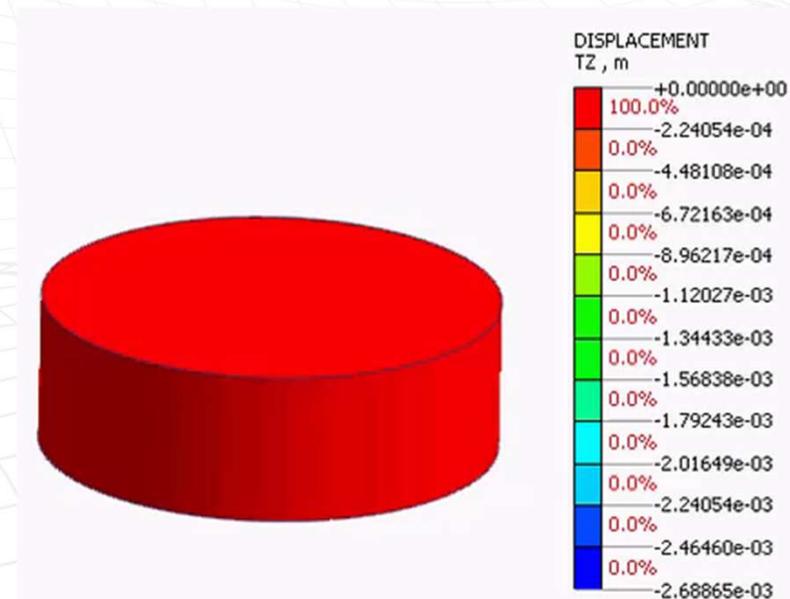


There are two key highlights:

- Similar e-log P curve is represented
- Variation in loading/unloading phase is captured by Hardening Soil Constitutive Model



Laboratory:
-11.15 mm



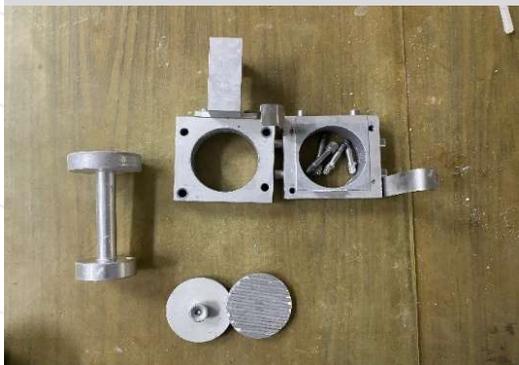
Simulation:
-11.04 mm

3.3 Direct shear test – Lab testing data



Procedure:

- Normal force: 20 kPa
- Shear force and horizontal displacement are recorded



➔ RESULTS



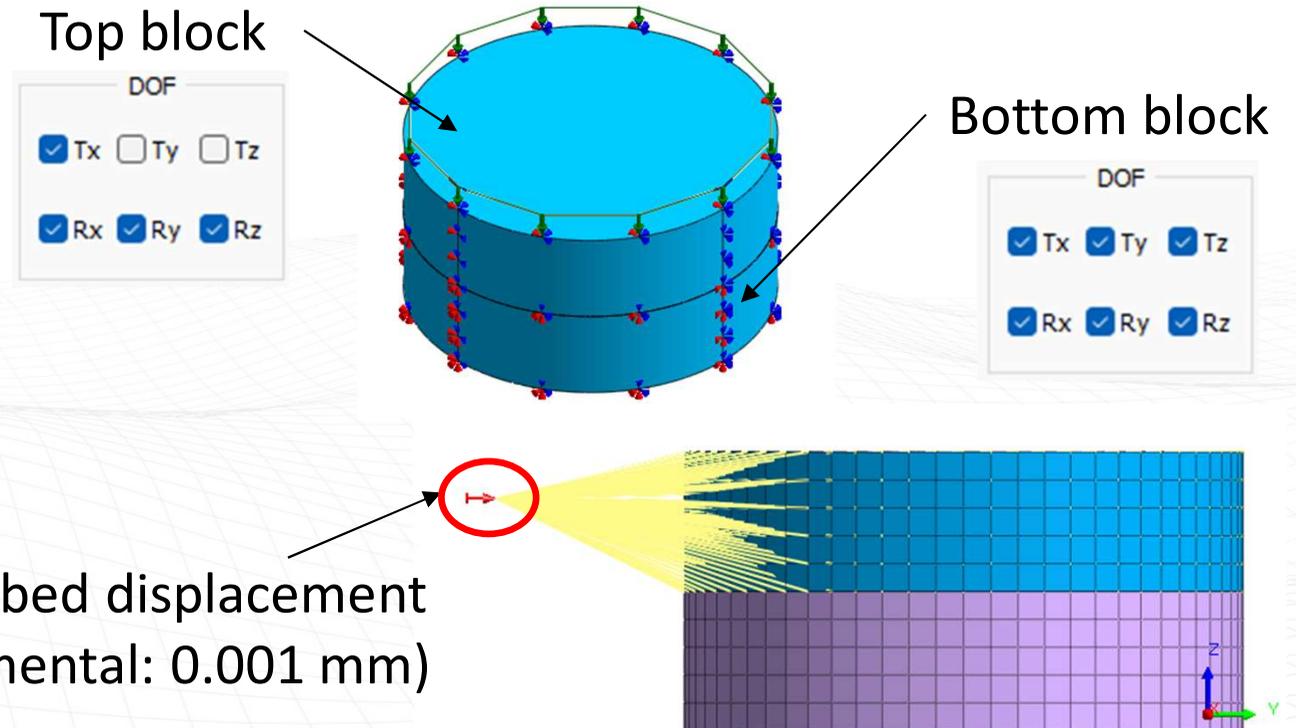
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Oedometer Test with specimen dimension:
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Table, Mohr-coulomb soil parameter input

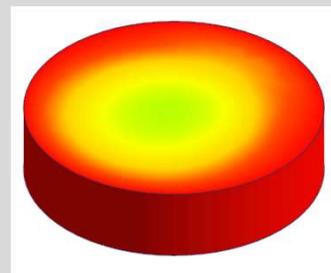
Soil Parameter	Value
Mohr-coulomb model	Drain
Young's modulus (kPa)	5,000
Poisson ratio	0.35
Unit weight (dry) (kN/m ³)	18
Unit weight (sat) (kN/m ³)	19
Cohesion (kPa)	5
Friction angle (degree)	10

Reference GTS NX file name: DS Test_final

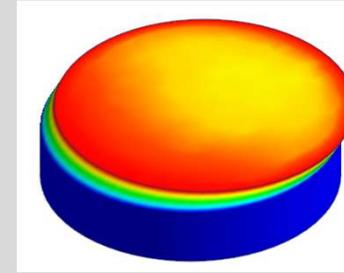


Prescribed displacement
(Incremental: 0.001 mm)

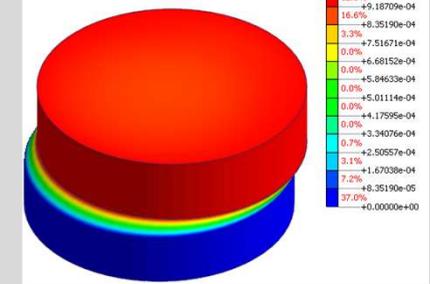
Displacement observation



Top block



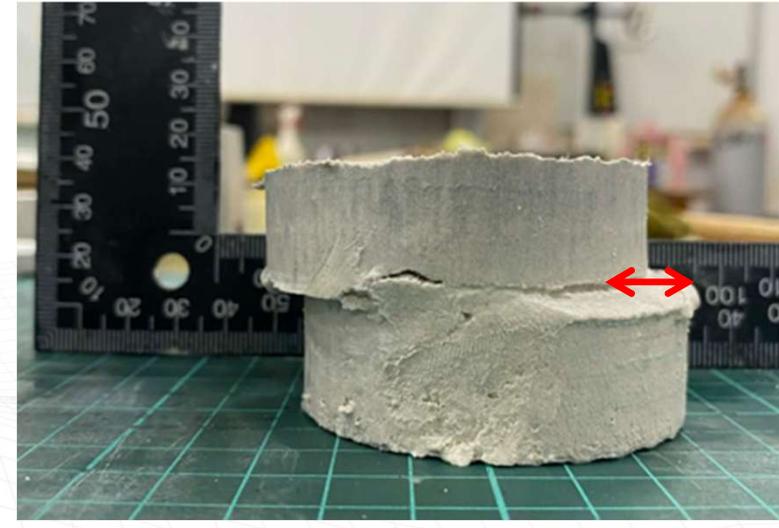
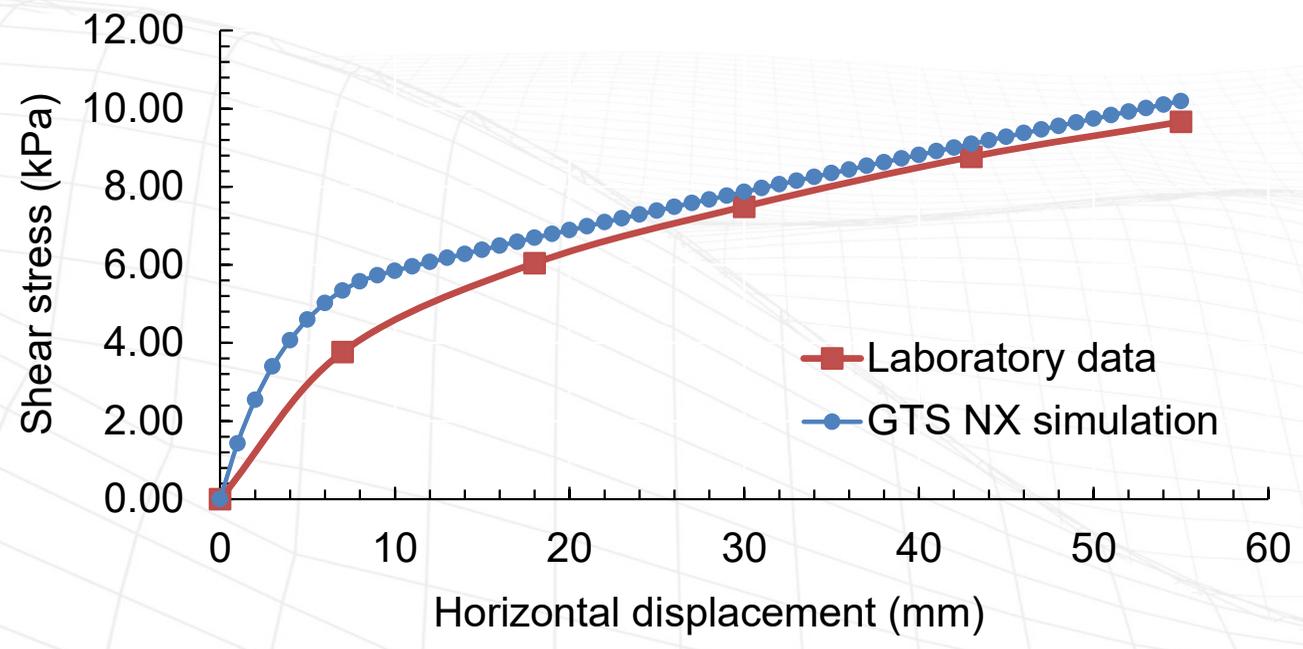
Bottom block



Full block

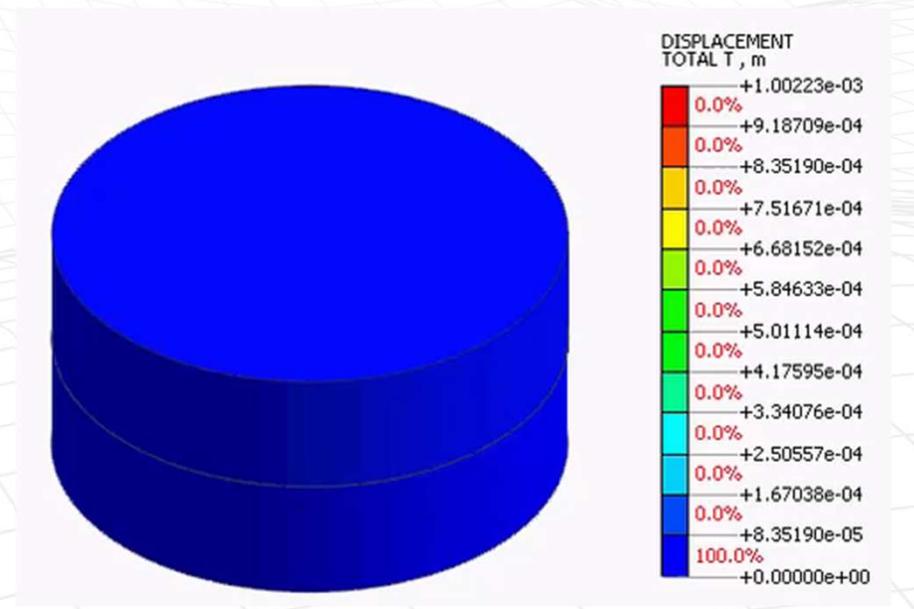
3.3 Direct shear test – Comparison

Shear Stress - Displacement Comparison



Laboratory:
Disp.: 20 mm
Shear stress: 6 kPa

Similar result



The evolution of the shear stress is captured, with the behavior is agree with the laboratory testing data.

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