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Laboratory stress-strain tests for developments in geotechnical engineering research and practice

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Topics:

To illustrate significant roles of laboratory stress-strain tests of geomaterial for developments in geotechnical engineering research and practice,

several recent advances in our understanding of:
1) quasi-elastic stress-strain behaviour;
2) rate-dependent stress-strain behaviour; and
3) strength and stiffness of compacted soil related to field fill compaction control and design are presented.

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Can we observe "rate-independent and reversible (i.e., elastic) behaviour" at very small strains?



(Tatsuoka & Shibuya, 1991)



Triaxial test:



Specimen (30 cm-dia. & 60 cm-high)

Well-compacted air-dried Chiba gravel (crushed well-graded angular sandstone from a quarry); D_{max} = 38 mm, D_{50} = 3.5 mm & U_c = 12.75









(Tatsuoka et al., 1999a&b)



"More linear stress-strain relations" at higher strain rates



Different by a factor of more than 1000 times

(Santucci de Magistris et al., 1999)

Essentially rate-independent & reversible (i.e., elastic) stressstrain behaviour at strains about 0.0001 % ! More rate-dependent behaviour at larger strains !



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General trends of behaviour:

1. The stress-strain relation approaches the elastic limiting line as the strain rate increases.

2. The elastic zone becomes larger as the strain rate increases.

3. The elastic zone disappears at very low strain rates.

These trends can be described by the non-linear three-component model.

The test results are interpreted and simulated by: the non-linear three-component model (Di Benedetto & Tatsuoka, 1997; Di Benedetto et al., 2002; Tatsuoka et al., 2002, 2008)



A large quasi-elastic zone develops upon the restart of ML at a constant strain rate after creep deformation.

The size becomes larger with an increase in the creep strain and the strain rate during ML.



Multiple large quasi-elastic zones develop by ageing effects (i.e., bonding) in addition to creep deformation; drained TC tests on compacted moist cement-mixed well-graded gravelly soil (model Chiba gravel)



Kinematic development of quasi-elastic zone by ageing effects in addition to creep deformation at multiple stress states





Rate-independent behaviour: summary-1

1) The elastic deformation characteristics can be evaluated by not only dynamic tests but also static tests.

'Static' & 'dynamic': terminologies for systems, not for material properties

Static Young's modulus & dynamic Young's modulus: should not be used.

Static and dynamic measurements of Young's modulus: OK !

Rate-independent behaviour: summary-2

2) Statically and dynamically measured elastic deformation properties are essentially the same with <u>fine-grained</u> geomaterials.

With heterogeneous materials (e.g., concrete, very coarsegrained geomaterials and hard rocks having dominant discontinuities), the elastic modulus from wave velocity with a short wave length could be significantly larger than the statically determined average value of a given mass.

3) The size of quasi-elastic zone increases with an increase in:

i) the strain rate and the creep strain (due to the viscous properties); and

ii) ageing effect.

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Rate-dependent stress-strain behaviour

Isotach and non-Isotach types in drained TC

- Viscous behaviour of sand in direct shear
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Summary



Isotach type: the strength during ML at constant strain rate increases with an increase in the strain rate; and.....





Isotach behaviour in drained TC on undisturbed Pleistocene clay $(e_0 = 0.81; Pl = 41.1)$ and simulation





TESRA type: the strength during ML at constant strain rate is independent of strain rate; and...



A positive stress jump upon a step increase in the strain rate decays with strain towards zero.



TESRA= Temporary Effects of Strain Rate and strain Acceleration (i.e., rate of strain rate)



TESRA behaviour in drained TC (σ'_{h} = 400 kPa); saturated loose Silica No. 8 sand



(Kiyota & Tatsuoka, 2006, S&F; Tatsuoka et al., 2008a, S&F)



Kiyota & Tatsuoka (2006), S&F

Combined type; combining Isotach & TESRA types, the strength at a constant strain rate increases with strain rate, and...

A positive stress jump upon a step increase in the strain rate decays with strain to a smaller positive non-zero value

Positive & Negative type: the strength <u>decreases</u> with an <u>increase</u> in the constant strain rate, and.....

A positive stress jump upon a step increase in the strain rate decays with strain towards a negative value.

P&N behaviour in drained TC (σ'_h = 400 kPa); air-dried dense Albany sand (poorly-graded & round; D_{50} = 0.30 mm, U_c = 2.22, G_s = 2.67, e_{max} = 1.335 & e_{min} = 0.73)

Summary: At least, four different viscous property types by a wide variety of geomaterials in TC and PSC tests

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Peak strength: essentially independent of shear displacement rate (i.e., TESRA viscosity)

Residual strength: decreases with an increase in shear displacement rate (i.e., P&N viscosity)

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1D compression changing the strain rate, saturated kaolin made from slurry (*Isotach* type) (Kawabe et al. 2009b).

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Non-Isotach behaviour in DS tests on unbound interfaces between various types of solid (i.e., rocks and others), Dieterich and Kilgore (1994)

