

Exam1: Shallow Foundations – CEN 325**Problem 1**

Refer to the following soil profile:

- 1) Draw the total stress, pore pressure and effective stress profiles with depth for this case (assume $\gamma_w = 1 \text{ T/m}^3$).
- 2) Compute the consolidation settlement from an additional foundation load which would occur in the first clay layer.

The maximum past pressure (σ'_c) at 15m is 35 T/m^2 and the final actual stress at this depth after the foundation load has been applied is 25 T/m^2 .

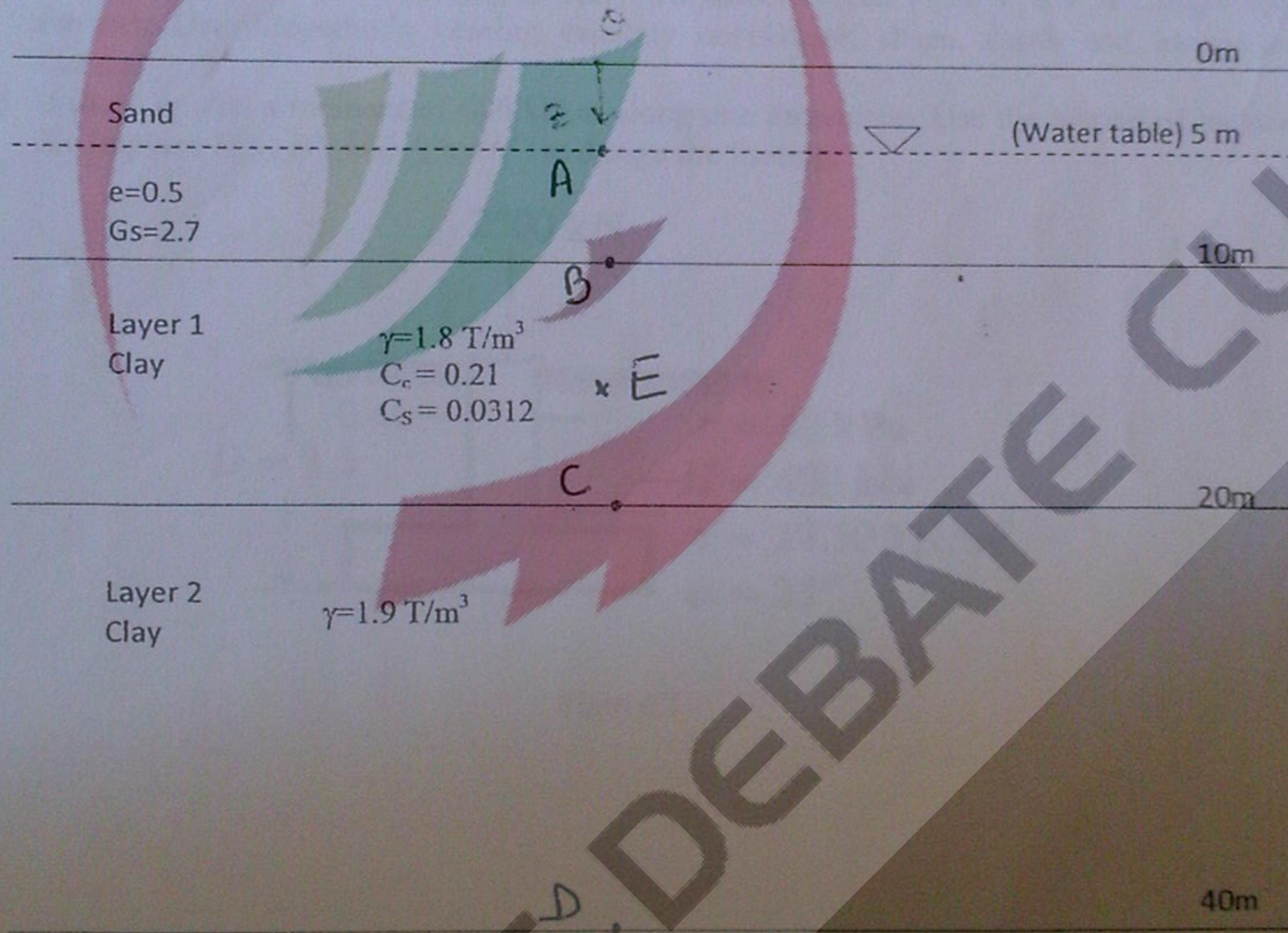


Figure 1

Problem 2

A footing of 1.5 m wide by 3 m long is founded on a stratum of sand. The vertical load is uniformly distributed; there is no horizontal load. The value of D_f is 1 m, the water table is at the base of the footing, and the friction angle from the triaxial test is 30° . For the sand above the base of the footing, the water content is 20%, and the unit weight is 17 kN/m^3 . The specific gravity of the particles of sand is 2.67:

- 1) Compute the net allowable load, Q in kPa, using the Hansen equations (for the bearing capacity coefficients and for the depth and shape factors). Use a safety factor of 3.
- 2) The problem remains the same as in part 1 except that the footing rests on overconsolidated clay at a depth of 1 m (i.e. $D_f=1\text{m}$). Assume the same unit weights as before and determine the undrained shear strength of the clay to yield the value of the net allowable load found in part 1.

Problem 3

Referring to figure 2 with a safety factor SF=5:

- 1) Find the size of square footing to carry the inclined load (with V and H components shown). Use Meyerhof's bearing capacity coefficient, shape, depth and inclination factors.
- 2) If there is also a moment of 600 kN.m along one dimension. Use the Meyerhof method (i.e. replace B by B' , and A by A') to design the footing.

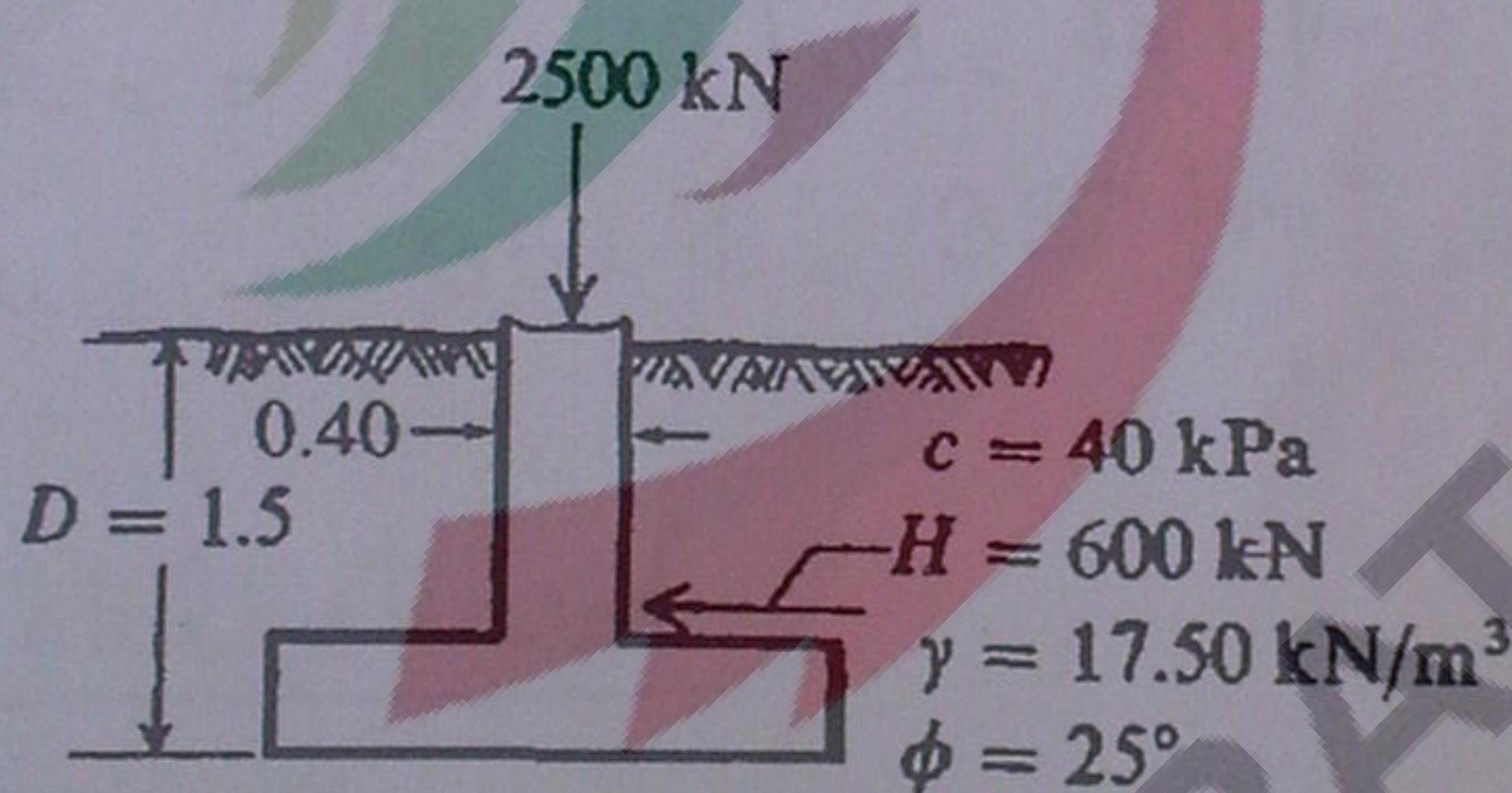


Figure 2

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1°) * Pore pressure:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} u_0 = 0 \\ u_A = 0 \\ u_B = \gamma_w \times 5 = 5 \times 1 = 5 \text{ T/m}^2 \\ u_C = (5 + 10) \times 1 = 15 \text{ T/m}^2 \\ u_D = 35 \times 1 = 35 \text{ T/m}^2 \end{array} \right.$$

* Total stresses:

$$\sigma_0 = 0$$

$$\sigma_A = 5 \times \gamma_{dsand}$$

$$② \gamma_{dsand} = \frac{G_s \gamma_w}{1+e} = \frac{2.7 \cdot 1}{1+0.5} = 1.8 \text{ T/m}^3$$

$$② \gamma_{sat sand} = \frac{G_s \gamma_w + e \gamma_w}{1+e} = \frac{2.7 \cdot 1 + 0.5 \cdot 1}{1+0.5} = 2.13 \text{ T/m}^3$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sigma_A = 5 \times 1.8 = 9 \text{ T/m}^2 \\ \sigma_B = 5 \times 1.8 + 5 \times 2.13 = 19.65 \text{ T/m}^2 \\ \sigma_C = 5 \times 1.8 + 5 \times 2.13 + 1.8 \times 10 = 37.65 \text{ T/m}^2 \\ \sigma_D = 5 \times 1.8 + 5 \times 2.13 + 1.8 \times 10 + 20 \times 1.9 = 75.65 \text{ T/m}^2 \end{array} \right. ①$$

* effective stresses:

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

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sigma'_o = 0 \\ \sigma'_A = \sigma_A = 9 T/m^2 \\ \sigma'_B = 19.65 - 5 = 14.65 T/m^2 \\ \sigma'_C = 37.65 - 15 = 22.65 T/m^2 \quad (1) \\ \sigma'_D = 75.65 - 35 = 40.65 T/m^2 \end{array} \right.$$

$\text{at } 20^\circ$ $\sigma'_c = 35 T/m^2$ at 15m

$$\sigma'_f = \sigma'_o + \Delta \sigma'$$

$$(1) \sigma'_{fe} = \sigma'_{oe} + \Delta \sigma' = 25 T/m^2$$

$$(3) \Delta \sigma' = 25 - \sigma'_{oe} = 25 - \left[\frac{18.65 T/m^2}{5 \times 1.8 + 5 \times (2.13 - 1)} + 5 \times (1.8 - 1) \right]$$

$$\Delta \sigma' = 6.35 T/m^2 \quad (1)$$

$$\sigma'_{oe} = 18.65 < \sigma'_c = 35 T/m^2 \quad (2)$$

→ overconsolidated clay.

and $\sigma'_{oe} + \Delta \sigma' = 25 < 35 \Rightarrow \text{Case I. (2)}$

$$(2) S_c = \frac{C_s H_c}{1 + e_0} \log \frac{\sigma'_{oe} + \Delta \sigma'}{\sigma'_{oe}} = \frac{0.0312 \times 10}{1 + 0.2} \log \frac{25}{18.65}$$

$$S_c = 0.0329 \text{ m}$$

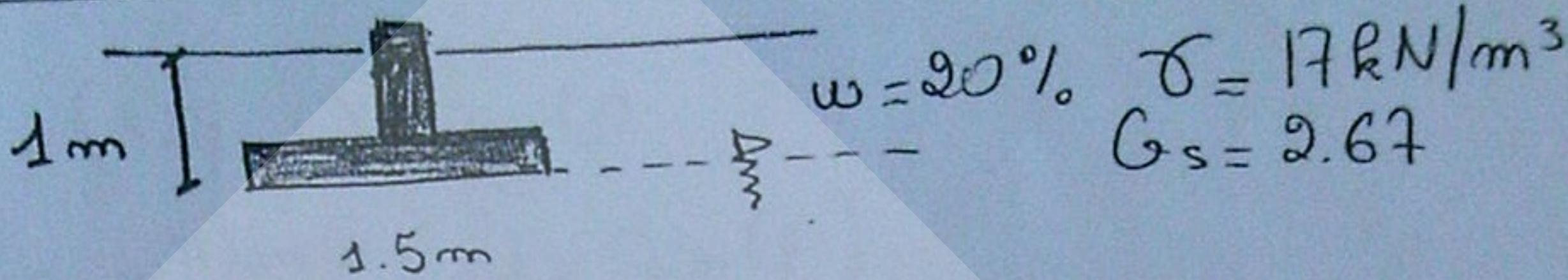
$$S_c \approx 33 \text{ mm}$$

(2)

Problem 2

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$$\varphi = 30^\circ$$

3P) 1.) find γ_{sat} :

$$\gamma_{sat} = \frac{G_s \gamma_w + e \gamma_w}{1 + e}$$

Find e : $\gamma_d = \frac{G_s \gamma_w}{1 + e} = \frac{\gamma}{1 + w} \quad (1)$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + e = (1 + w) G_s \frac{\gamma_w}{\gamma}$$

$$\Rightarrow e = (1 + w) G_s \frac{\gamma_w}{\gamma} - 1$$

$$e = 0.85 \quad (2)$$

$$\left\{ \gamma_{sat} = (G_s + e) \frac{\gamma_w}{1 + e} = 18.66 \text{ kN/m}^3 \quad (2) \right.$$

$$\left. \gamma = \gamma_{sat} - \gamma_w = 18.66 - 9.81 = 8.85 \text{ kN/m}^3 \quad (1) \right.$$

$$Q_{ult} = C N_c F_{cd} F_{cs} + q N_q F_{qd} F_{qs} + \frac{1}{2} \gamma B N_g F_{gd} F_{gs} \quad (1)$$

* Hansen factors :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} N_c = (N_q - 1) \cot \varphi \\ N_q = e^{\pi \tan \varphi} \left(\frac{1 + \sin \varphi}{1 - \sin \varphi} \right)^2 \\ N_\gamma = 1.5 N_c \tan^2 \varphi \end{array} \right.$$

$$\varphi = 30^\circ \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} N_c &= 30.14 & (1) \\ N_q &= 18.4 & (1) \\ N_\gamma &= 15.07 & (1) \end{aligned}$$

* Shape factors :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} F_{cs} = 1 + \frac{B}{L} \frac{N_q}{N_c} = 1.305 & (1) \\ F_{qs} = 1 + \frac{B}{L} \tan \varphi = 1.29 & (1) \\ F_{\gamma s} = 1 - 0.4 \frac{B}{L} = 0.8 & (1) \end{array} \right.$$

* Depth factors :

$$\frac{D_f}{B} = \frac{1}{1.5} < 1 \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} F_{cd} = 1 + 0.4 \frac{D_f}{B} = 1.266 & (1) \\ F_{qcd} = 1 + 2 \tan \varphi (1 - \sin \varphi) \frac{D_f}{B} = 1.19 & (1) \\ F_{\gamma cd} = 1 & (1) \end{array} \right.$$

* water table

$$d = D_f$$

$$q = \gamma D_f \quad (1)$$

$$\text{replace } \gamma \text{ by } \bar{\gamma} = \gamma_{(1)} + 0 \quad] \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Case II and Case III are} \\ \text{the same} \end{array}$$

$$Q_{ult} = 0 + 17 \times 1 \times 18.4 \times 1.192 \times 1.29$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \times 8.85 \times 1.5 \times 15.07 \times 0.8 \times 1$$

$$Q_{ult} = 560.2 \text{ kN/m}^2 \quad (2)$$

$$Q_{ell_met} = \frac{(Q_{ult} - q)A}{FS} = \frac{(560.2 - 17 \times 1) \times 1.5 \times 3}{3} \quad (2)$$

$$Q_{ell_met} = 814.8 \text{ kN} \quad (1)$$

$$Q_{ult} = C_u N_c F_{cd} F_{cs} + q N_q F_{qd} F_{qs} \quad (1)$$

$$N_q = 0 \quad \text{for } \varphi = 0 \quad N_q = 1 \quad N_c = 5.14 \quad (1)$$

$$814.8 = \frac{(Q_{ult} - q) \times A}{FS} \quad 17 \times 1$$

$$Q_{ult} = \frac{814.8 \times 3}{1.5 \times 3} + \tilde{q} = 560.2 \text{ kN/m}^2$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} F_{cs} = 1 + \frac{1.5}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{5.14} = 1.097 \quad (1) \quad F_{qs} = 1 \quad (1) \\ F_{cd} = 1.266 \quad (1) \end{array} \right.$$

$$F_{qd} = 1 \quad (1)$$

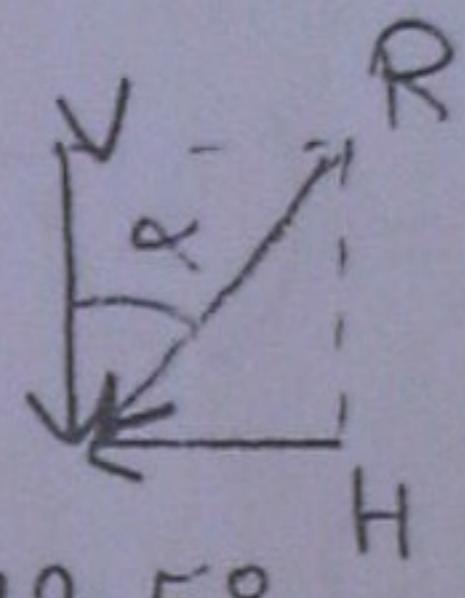
$$560.2 = C_u \times 5.14 \times 1.097 \times 1.266 + 17 \times 1 \times 1 \times 1 \quad (4)$$

$$C_u = 76.1 \text{ kN/m}^2$$

Problem 3 (35)

(24P) 10) * Inclination:

$$(2) \tan \alpha = \frac{H}{V} \Rightarrow \alpha = 13.5^\circ$$



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} F_{ci} = F_{qi} = \left(1 - \frac{\alpha^\circ}{90}\right)^2 = \left(1 - \frac{13.5}{90}\right)^2 = 0.7225 \quad (1) \\ F_{ri} = \left(1 - \frac{\alpha^\circ}{45^\circ}\right)^2 = \left(1 - \frac{13.5}{45}\right)^2 = 0.2116 \quad (1) \end{array} \right.$$

$$\varphi = 25^\circ \xrightarrow{\text{Meyerhoff}} N_c = 20.72 \quad (1)$$

$$N_q = 10.66 \quad (1)$$

$$N_\delta = 6.77 \quad (1)$$

* Shape factors

$$F_{cs} = 1 + 0.2 \frac{B}{L} \tan^2(45 + \frac{\varphi}{2}) \quad (1)$$

$$F_{qs} = F_{ss} = 1 + 0.1 \frac{B}{L} \tan^2(45 + \frac{\varphi}{2}) \quad (2)$$

square $B = L$

$$F_{cs} = 1 + 0.2 \tan^2(45 + \frac{25}{2}) = 1.493 \quad (1\frac{1}{2})$$

$$F_{qs} = F_{ss} = 1 + 0.1 \tan^2(45 + \frac{25}{2}) = 1.246 \quad (1\frac{1}{2})$$

* Depth factors:

$$\begin{aligned} f \geq 10^\circ & \left[F_{cd} = 1 + 0.2 \frac{D_f}{B} \tan(45 + \frac{\varphi}{2}) = 1 + \frac{0.471}{B} \right] \quad (1\frac{1}{2}) \\ & F_{qd} = F_{sd} = 1 + 0.1 \frac{D_f}{B} \tan(45 + \frac{\varphi}{2}) = 1 + \frac{0.235}{B} \quad (1\frac{1}{2}) \end{aligned}$$

$$Q_{all} = \frac{q_{ult} \times A}{3} = 2500 \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{2500 \times 3}{B^2} = c N_c F_{cs} F_{cd} F_{ci} + Q N_q F_{qs} F_{qd} F_{qi} + \frac{1}{2} \gamma B N_g F_{ss} F_{sd} F_{gi}$$

$$\frac{2500 \times 3}{B^2} = 40 \times 20.72 \times 1.493 \left(1 + \frac{0.471}{B} \right) \times 0.7225$$

$$+ 17.5 \times 1.5 \times 10.66 \times 1.246 \times \left(1 + \frac{0.235}{B} \right) \times 0.7225$$

$$+ 0.5 \times 17.5 \times 6.77 \times 1.246 \times \left(1 + \frac{0.235}{B} \right) \times 0.2116$$

By trial and error for $B = \text{m}$

$$Q_{\text{ult}} \approx 12602.13 \text{ kN} > 2500 \times 5 = 12500 \text{ kN}$$

$\boxed{\text{so } B = 3.125 \text{ m}} \quad (4)$

$\text{P} \leftarrow 2^\circ$ $M = 600 \text{ kN.m}$

$$e_B = \frac{M}{Q=V} = \frac{600}{2500} = 0.24 \text{ m} \quad (1)$$

$$B' = B - 2 \times 0.24 = B - 0.48 \quad (1)$$

$$A' = B' \times L = (B - 0.48) \times B \quad (1)$$

* inclination factors are the same as 1

$$\left\{ F_{q,1^\circ} = F_{c,1^\circ} = 0.7225 \right.$$

$$F_{\gamma,1^\circ} = 0.46 \quad (1)$$

* Depth factors are the same as 1

$$\left\{ F_{cd} = 1 + 0.471/B \right.$$

$$F_{qd} = F_{rd} = 1 + 0.235/B \quad (1)$$

* shape factors $\rightarrow B$ by B'

$$F_{cs} = 1 + 0.2 \frac{(B - 0.48)}{B} \tan^2(45 + \frac{25}{2})$$

$$F_{qs} = F_{ss} = 1 + 0.2 \frac{(B - 0.48)}{B} \tan^2(45 + \frac{25}{2})$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} F_{cs} = 1 + 0.49 \frac{(B - 0.48)}{B} \quad (1) \\ F_{qs} = F_{ss} = 1 + 0.246 \frac{(B - 0.48)}{B} \quad (1) \end{array} \right.$$

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$$\frac{2500 \times 3}{(B - 0.48) \times B} = 40 \times 20.72 \times 0.7225 \times \left(1 + 0.471 \frac{B}{B} \right) \times \left(1 + 0.49 \frac{B}{B} (B - 0.48) \right)$$

$$+ 17.5 \times 1.5 \times 10.66 \times 0.7225 \times \left(1 + 0.235 \frac{B}{B} \right) \times \left(1 + 0.246 \frac{B}{B} (B - 0.48) \right)$$

$$(2)$$

$$+ 0.5 \times 17.5 \times (B - 0.48) \times 6.77 \times 0.2116 \times \left(1 + 0.235 \frac{B}{B} \right) \left(1 + 0.246 \frac{B}{B} (B - 0.48) \right)$$

Trial and error

$$\text{for } [B = 3.4 \text{ m}] \quad Q_{ult} = 126.86 > 2500 \times 5$$

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