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# Profile: Prof. Dennes T. Bergado



- ❖ **Professor of Geotechnical and Earth Resources Engineering (GTE), School of Engineering and Technology (SET), Asian Institute of Technology (AIT)**
- ❖ **Member, Soil Improvement Committee, American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) since 1995**
- ❖ **Director, Asian Center for Ground Improvement and Geosynthetics (ACSIG) since 1998**
- ❖ **Secretary-General, Southeast Asian Geotechnical Society (SEAGS) since 2001**
- ❖ **President, International Geosynthetics Society (IGS) – Thailand Chapter since 2004**

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- ❖ Executive Secretary of AIT Alumni Association (2002-2005)
- ❖ Coordinator of Geotechnical Engineering Program (2001-2004)
- ❖ Faculty Representative to the Board of Trustees from 2005 to 2007
- ❖ Director, Unified Bachelor-Master Program at AIT (2010-2012)
- ❖ Registered Civil Engineer No. 16821 (Philippines)

# ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

- ❖ **B.S. in Civil Engineering (1974), Mindanao State University, Philippines (Magna Cum Laude) (Government Scholar)**
- ❖ **M. Eng. in Soil Engineering (1976), Asian Institute of Technology, Thailand (Scholarship Sponsor: Australia)**
- ❖ **Ph.D. in Civil/Geotechnical Engineering (1982), Utah State University, U.S.A. (Fulbright Scholar)**

# RECENT INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION

- ❖ **R.M. Quigley Award for the Best Paper in the Canadian Geotechnical Journal in 2002**
- ❖ **Selected by Marquis International Who's Who in Science and Engineering for 1996**
- ❖ **Distinguished Alumni Award in 1994-1995, Utah State University, U.S.A.**

# **RECENT INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION**

- ❖ **International Shamsheer Prakash Award in 1993 for Significant Contributions in Geotechnical Engineering**
- ❖ **Distinguished AIT Alumni Award in 2006**
- ❖ **International Geosynthetic Society (IGS) Achievements Award 2006**
- ❖ **Editor-in-Chief, Lowland Technology International Journal since 2010**
- ❖ **Council Member of the International Geosynthetic Society (IGS) (2008-2012)**
- ❖ **Best Paper Award, International Symposium on Lowland Technology, Japan, 2010.**

# **RESEARCH OVERVIEW**

- ❖ **Probabilistic and reliability analyses of geotechnical properties and structures.**
- ❖ **Ground Improvement and Geosynthetics**
- ❖ **New and innovative concepts in modeling and design procedures.**
- ❖ **Use of prefabricated vertical drain (PVD) with Vacuum & Heat Preloading**
- ❖ **Recycled and lightweight geomaterials**
- ❖ **Deep cement mixing method (DCM)**
- ❖ **Vulnerability and sustainable erosion prevention and soil improvement using limited life geosynthetics (LLGs).**

# RESEARCH OVERVIEW

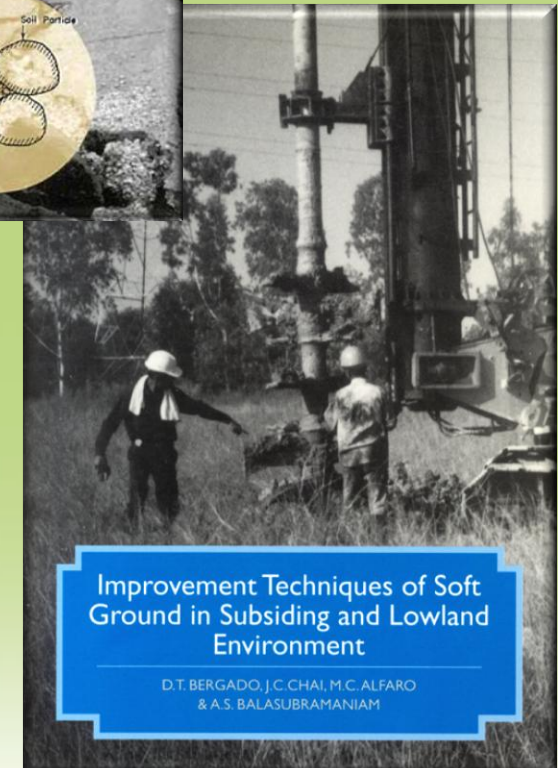
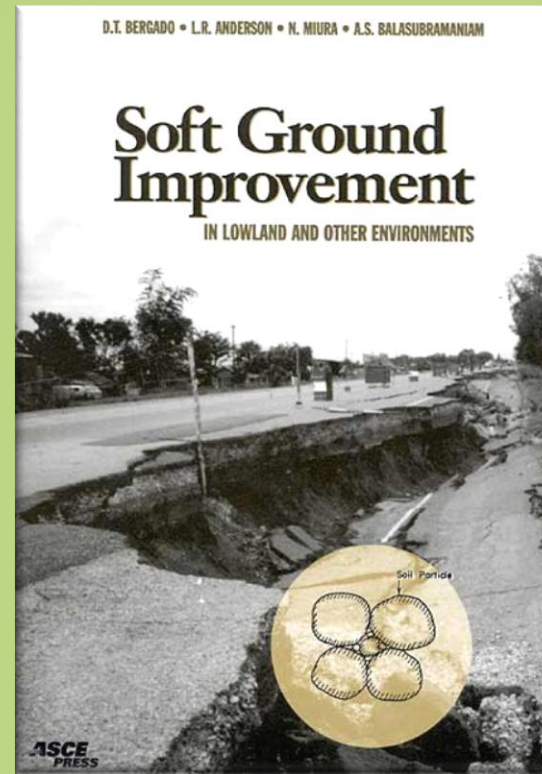


## ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

- ❖ Chapters in Book - 4
- ❖ Edited Books - 20
- ❖ Guest Editorship of Journal - 3
- ❖ Refereed Journal Articles - 129
- ❖ Conference/Invited Papers - 264
- ❖ Invited/Keynote Papers - 66
- ❖ Sponsored Research Projects - 33
- ❖ Science Citations (SCOPUS) - 708

## BOOKS PUBLISHED

- ❖ Soft Ground Improvement in Lowland and Other Environments
- ❖ Improvement Techniques of Soft Ground in Subsiding and Lowland Environment



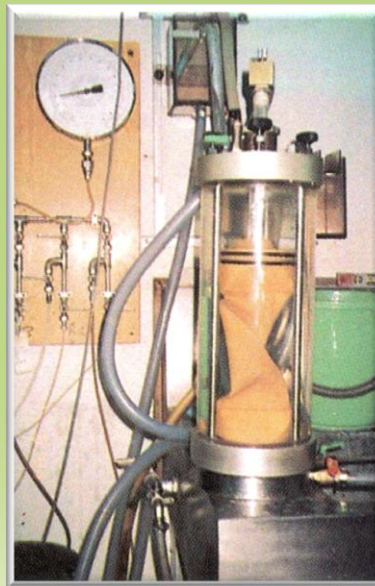


# RESEARCH INVENTIONS

Professor Bergado developed and introduced research equipments such as the Field Screw Plate Test Apparatus, Large Scale Pullout Test Apparatus, Large Scale Apparatus for Geotextile Tests as well as Large Scale Model Tests for Prefabricated Vertical Drain (PVD) with and without Vacuum and Thermal Preloading. He invented a new version of the Mechanically Stabilized Earth (MSE) Wall as well as the innovative Thermo-PVD (Prefabricated Vertical Drain). He also introduced various equipments for geosynthetic tests.



**PVD Model Test**



**PVD Discharge Test**



**Pullout Test Apparatus**

# Teaching and Research Supervision

## INTRODUCED COURSES TO AIT:

- ❖ Geotechnical Earthquake Engineering
- ❖ Soil Improvement and Geosynthetics
- ❖ Waste Containment and Lining Technology

## TEACHING OF COURSES:

- ❖ Soil Mechanics and Lab/Field Testing
- ❖ Soil Improvement and Geosynthetics
- ❖ Foundation Engineering

## RESEARCH SUPERVISION:

- ❖ Doctoral Graduates - 14
- ❖ Masters Graduates - 153



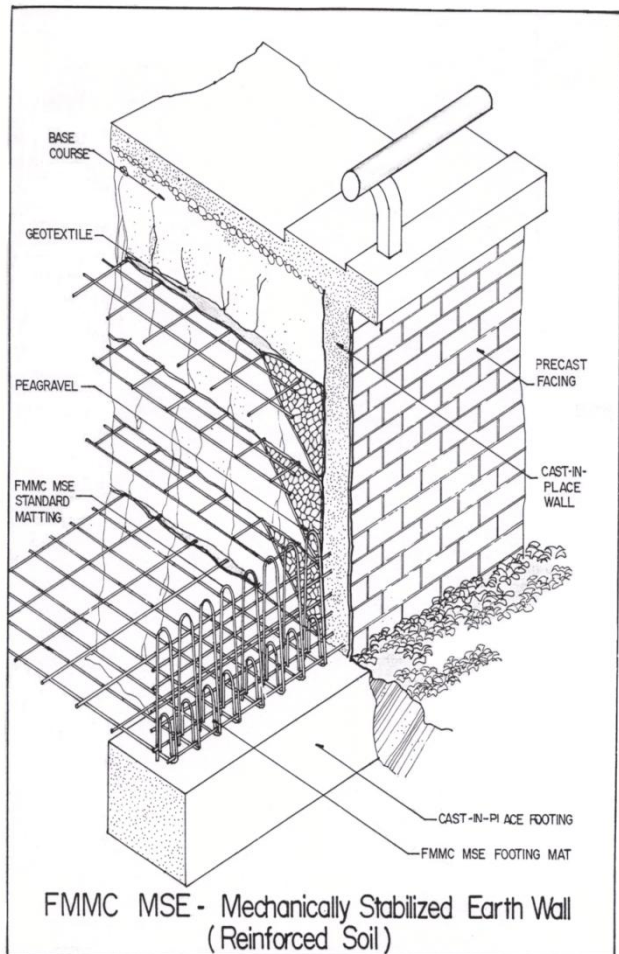
# **Main Fields of Interest**

**A. EARTH REINFORCEMENT/MECHANICALLY STABILIZED EARTH (MSE)**

**B. DEEP CEMENT MIXING (DCM) METHOD**

**C. PREFABRICATED VERTICAL DRAINS (PVDs)**

# A. EARTH REINFORCEMENT/MECHANICALLY STABILIZED EARTH (MSE)



# Selected Journal Papers on MSE

- ❖ Bergado, D.T., Long, P.V. and Srivinasu Murthy, B.R. (2002), A Case Study of Geotextile-Reinforced Embankment on Soft Ground, Geotextiles and Geomembranes, Vol. 20, No. 6, pp. 343-365.
- ❖ Bergado, D.T. and Long, P.V. (2002), LEM Back-Analysis of Geotextile Reinforced Embankments on Soft Bangkok Clay-A Case Study, Geosynthetics International, Vol. 9, No. 3., pp. 217-245.
- ❖ Bergado, D.T., Youwai, S., Teerawattanasuk, P. and Visudmedanukul, P. (2003), The Interaction Mechanism and Behavior of Hexagonal Wire Mesh Reinforced Embankment with Silty Sand Backfill on Soft Clay, Computers and Geotechnics, Vol. 30, pp. 517-534.



# Selected Journal Papers on MSE

- ❖ Teerawatanasuk, C., Bergado, D.T., and Kongkitkul, W. (2003), Numerical and Analytical Modeling on Pullout Capacity and Interaction between Hexagonal Wire Mesh and Silty Sand Backfill under In-Soil Pullout Test, *Canadian Geotechnical Journal*, Vol. 40, pp. 886-899.
- ❖ Youwai, S. and Bergado, D.T. (2004), Numerical Analysis of Reinforced Wall using Rubber Tire Chips-Sand Mixtures as Backfill Material, *Computers and Geotechnics*, Vol. 31, pp. 103-114.
- ❖ Lai, Y.P., Bergado, D.T., Lorenzo, G.A. and Duangchan, T. (2006), Full-Scale Reinforced Embankment on Deep Jet Mixing Improved Ground, *Ground Improvement*, Vol. 10, No. 4, pp. 153-164.



# Selected Journal Papers on MSE



- ❖ **Bergado, D.T. and Teerawattanasuk, C. (2008), 2D and 3D Numerical Simulations of Reinforced Embankments on Soft Ground, Geotextile and Geomembranes, Vol. 26, pp. 39-55.**

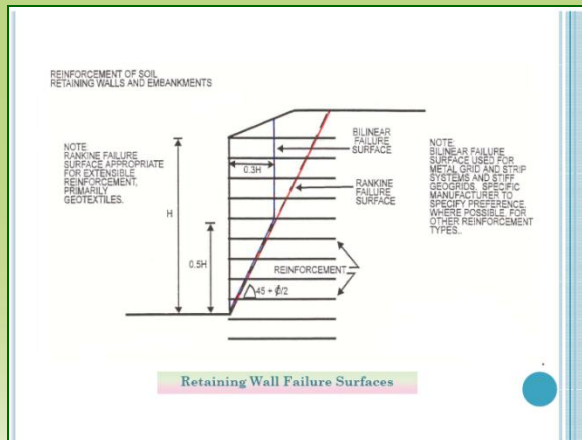
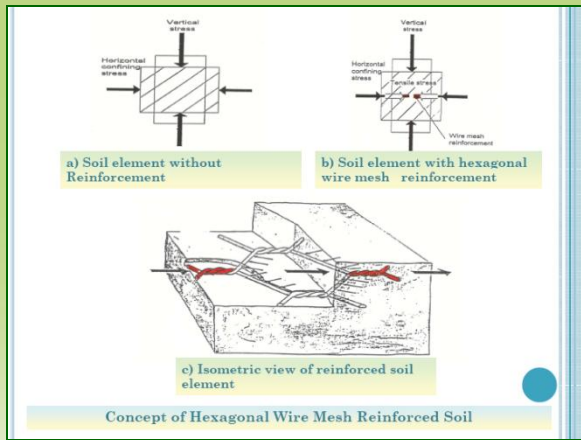
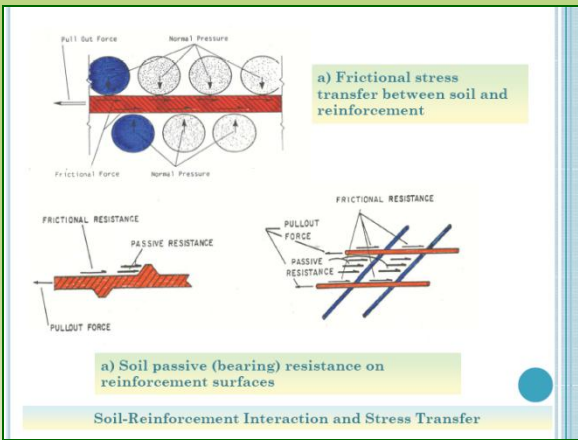
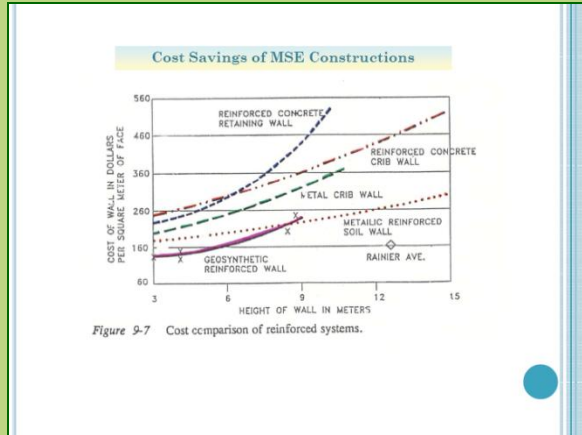
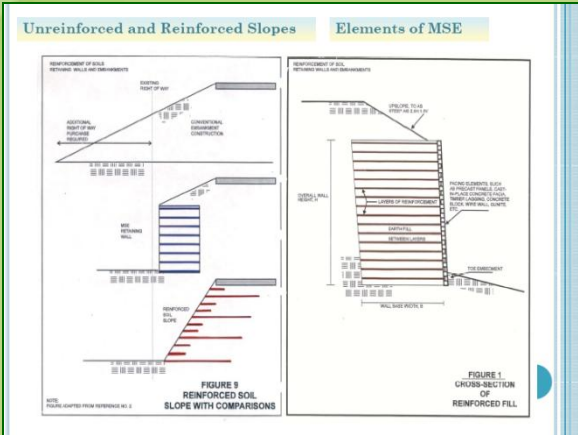
- ❖ **Tanchaisawat, T., Bergado, D.T., Voottipruex, P. (2009), 2D and 3D Simulations of Geogrid Reinforced Lightweight Embankment on Soft Clay, Geosynthetics International, Vol. 16, No. 6, pp. 420-432.**



- ❖ **Tin, N., Bergado, D.T., Anderson, L.R. and Voottipruex, P. (2010), Factors Affecting Kinked Steel Grid Reinforcement in MSE Structures, Geotextiles and Geomembranes, Vo. 29, pp. 172-180.**

- ❖ **Tin, N., Bergado, D.T., and Voottipruex, P. (2011), Modification of K-Stiffness Method in MSE Structures on Soft Ground, Geosynthetics International, Article in Press.**

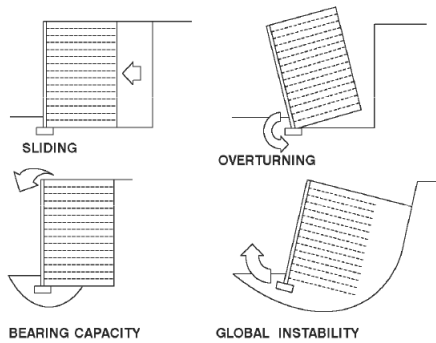
# Mechanically Stabilized Earth (MSE) and Interactions of Soil and Rigid Inclusions



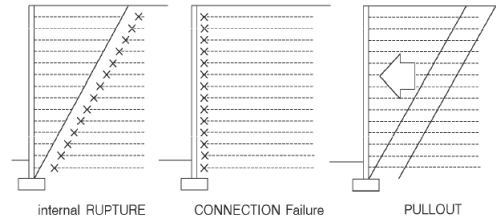


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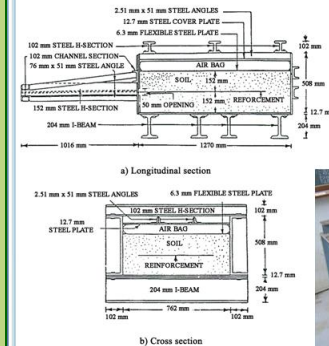
## External modes of failure



## Internal modes of failure

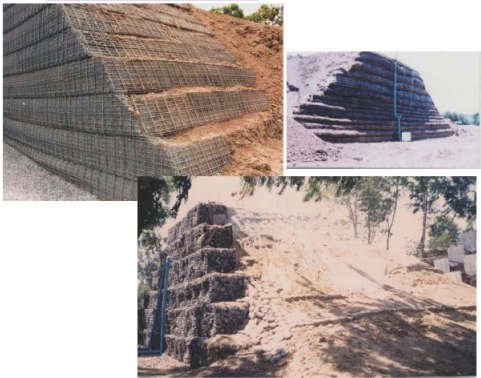


## Apparatus of the pullout test

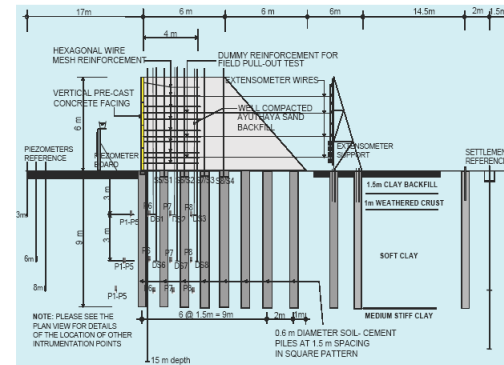


Pullout apparatus

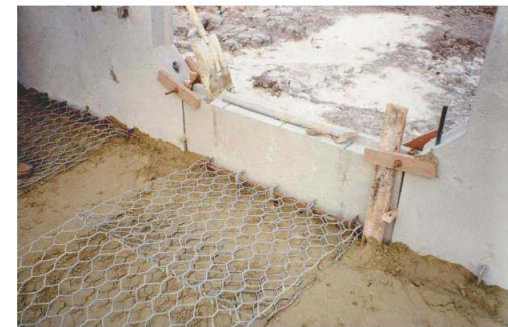
## Full Scale Test Embankments



## SECTION THRU CENTER LINE



## HEXAGONAL WIRE REINFORCEMENT CONNECTION

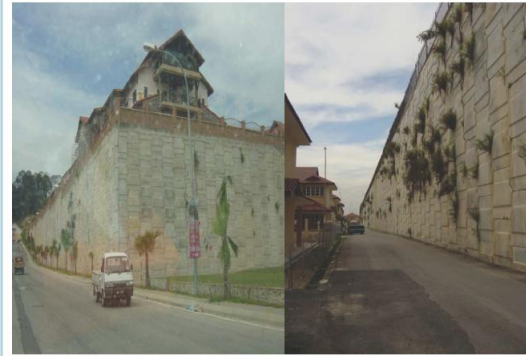


# Mechanically Stabilized Earth (MSE) and Interactions of Soil and Rigid Inclusions

THE FINISHED 6M HIGH REINFORCED EMBANKMENT



HIGH MSE PROJECT IN KUALA LUMPUR



MSE FOR BRIDGE APPROACH



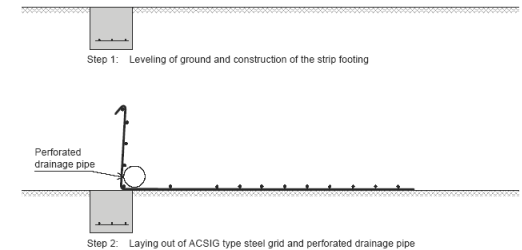
HILFIKER MSE WALL WITH STEEL GRIDS REINFORCEMENT IN PARK CITY, UTAH



MSE WITH STEEL STRIP REINFORCEMENT

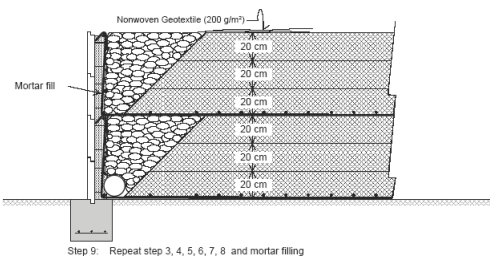


CONSTRUCTION METHOD



# Mechanically Stabilized Earth (MSE) and Interactions of Soil and Rigid Inclusions

CONSTRUCTION METHOD (CONT'D.)



PVC INSTALLATION



COMPLETION OF 1<sup>ST</sup> GRID LAYER



MORTAR FILLING OF FACING AT RIGHT APPROACH



CONCRETE FACING INSTALLATION  
STA.8+000 (FINISHING APPROACH BRIDGE)



SIDE VIEW OF MSE WALL STA. 4+000  
(FINISHING APPROACH BRIDGE)

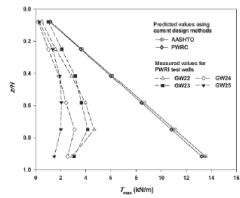


# Mechanically Stabilized Earth (MSE) and Interactions of Soil and Rigid Inclusions

## WORKING STRESS CONDITION

North American working stress design practice: factors of safety have been assigned to failure modes such as external, internal or facing stability.

Some issues of current working stress design for geosynthetic reinforced soil retaining walls (Bathurst 2008):



The stresses at incipient collapse could not be simply considered to be the scaling of failure loads and resistance at limit equilibrium to working stress conditions using one or more factors of safety or partial factors

Predicted versus measured values of T<sub>max</sub>

## Development of K-Stiffness Method

Allen *et al.* (2003)

$$T_{\max} = \frac{1}{2} K \gamma (H + S) S_v D_{\max} \Phi_e \Phi_{\text{local}} \Phi_B \Phi_{\text{fb}}$$

- $\gamma$  = unit weight of the soil
- $H$  = height of the wall
- $S$  = equivalent height of uniform surcharge pressure  $q$  (i.e.  $S = q/\gamma$ )
- $S_v$  = tributary area

$D_{\max}$ : the load distribution factor

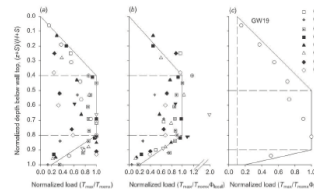


Fig b: better scatter when the local stiffness is considered

Fig c: distribution for polymer strap walls.

## DEVELOPMENT OF K-STIFFNESS METHOD

Allen *et al.* (2004)

steel reinforced soil walls

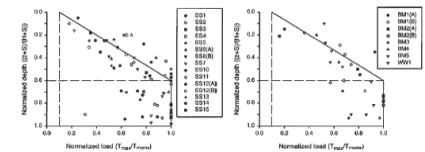
$$T_{\max} = \frac{1}{2} K \gamma (H + S) S_v D_{\max} \Phi_e \Phi_{\text{local}} \Phi_B \Phi_{\text{fb}}$$

$K = K_0 = 1 - \sin \phi_{ps}$  and  $K \geq 0.3$  ( $\phi_{ps} = 44^\circ$ ) for best correlation between  $K_0$  and  $T_{\max}$

$\Phi_{\text{local}} = 1$  because  $a = 0$  for steel reinforcement.

$\Phi_B$  could be taken as  $\Phi_B = 1$

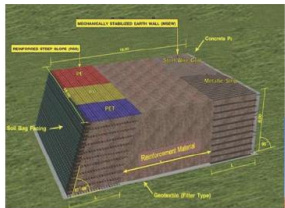
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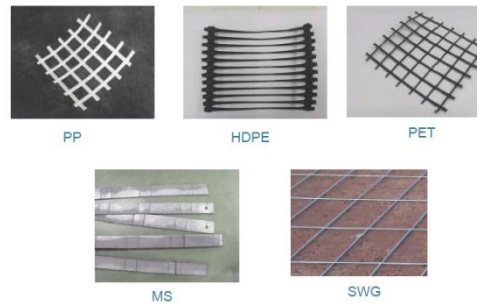
steel strip

steel bar mat and welded wire

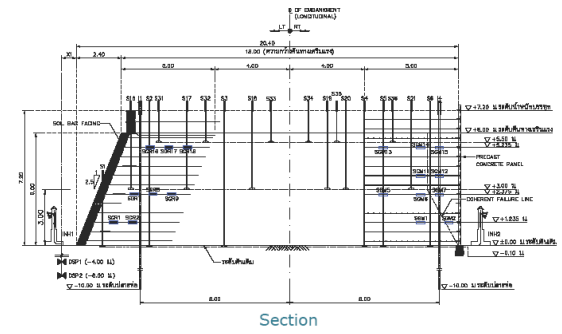
## MSE Wall/Embankment



## REINFORCING MATERIALS

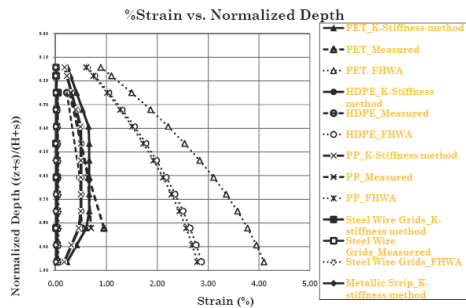


## INSTRUMENTATION



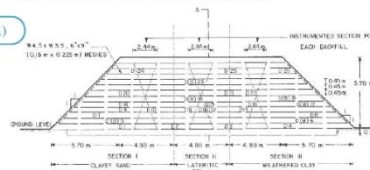
# Mechanically Stabilized Earth (MSE) and Interactions of Soil and Rigid Inclusions

Measurements and internal design by the K-stiffness method compared with internal design by FHWA structure stiffness method



DATA OBTAINED FROM PREVIOUS STUDIES OF MSE STRUCTURES AT AIT CAMPUS ON SOFT GROUND

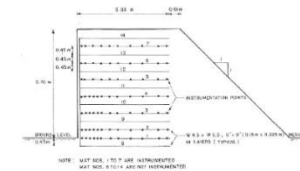
Bergado *et al.* (1991)



Front (longitudinal) section of the welded wire wall  
 Backfills: Clayey sand  
 Lateritic soil  
 Weathered clay  
 Reinforcement: welded wire mats  
 2.44 m wide and 5.0 m long, 6 x 9 in. (0.15 x 0.225 m) grid opening  
 H = 5.7m  
 L = 14.64m at the top, divided into three sections along its length

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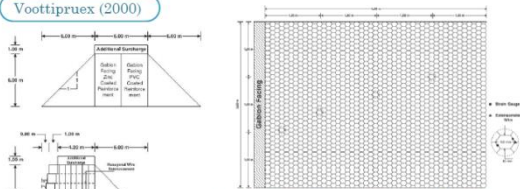


-  $S_v = 0.45m$   
 - 7 mats instrumented with self-temperature compensating electrical resistant strain gages

View of the welded wire wall along section A-A

DATA OBTAINED FROM PREVIOUS STUDIES OF MSE STRUCTURES AT AIT CAMPUS

Voottipruex (2000)

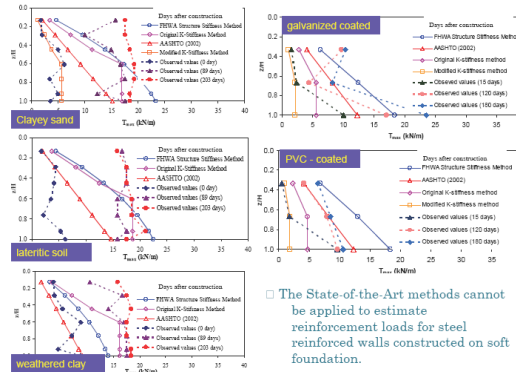


Configuration of hexagonal wire mesh reinforcement

Facing: gabion facing, 10 degree inclined  
 Reinforcement: hexagonal wire  
 galvanized coated and PVC-coated  
 Backfill: silty sand  
 H = 6m

Front section and view of the reinforced wall = 0.5m

COMPARISON OF CALCULATED AND OBSERVED VALUES

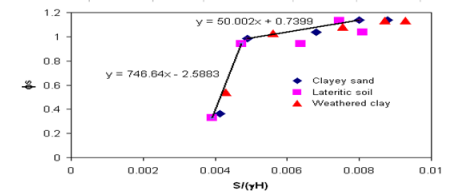


The State-of-the-Art methods cannot be applied to estimate reinforcement loads for steel reinforced walls constructed on soft foundation.

MODIFICATION OF ORIGINAL K-STIFFNESS METHOD

$$T_{max} = \frac{1}{2} K \Phi (H + S) S_v D_{max} \Phi_g \Phi_{local} \Phi_{fs} \Phi_{fs} \Phi_{fs} \Phi_{fs} \quad (\Phi_s = \text{the settlement factor})$$

$$\Phi_s(\text{back-calculated}) = \frac{T_{max}(\text{measured})}{\frac{1}{2} K \gamma (H + S) S_v \Phi_g \Phi_{local} \Phi_{fs} \Phi_{fs}}$$



If  $S/\gamma H < 0.005$ :  $\Phi_s = 746.64(S/\gamma H) + 2.59$

If  $S/\gamma H > 0.005$ :  $\Phi_s = 50(S/\gamma H) - 0.74$

Suggestion:  $D_{max} = 1$  for  $0 < z/H < 1$

# B. DEEP CEMENT MIXING (DCM) METHOD



# Selected Journal Papers on DCM Method

- ❖ **Lorenzo et. al. (2004), Fundamental Parameters of Cement-Admixed Clay - New Approach, ASCE Journal of Geotechnical and Geoenvironmental Engineering, Vol. 130, No. 10, pp. 1042-1050.**
- ❖ **Bergado et. al. (2005), Consolidation Settlement of Reinforced Embankment on Deep Mixing Cement Pile, Geotechnical Engineering Journal, Vol. 36, No. 1, pp. 77-84.**
- ❖ **Lorenzo et. al. (2006), New and Economical Method of Cement Admixed Clay for DMM Application, Geotechnical Testing Journal, Vol. 29, No. 1, pp. 54-63.**
- ❖ **Lorenzo and Bergado (2006), Fundamental Characteristics of Cement-Admixed Clay in Deep Mixing, ASCE Journal of Materials in Civil Engineering, Vol. 18, N. 2, pp. 161-174.**



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- ❖ Jamsawang et. al. (2011), Field Behavior of Stiffened Deep Cement Mixing Piles, Ground Improvement Journal, Vol. 164, Issue G-11, pp. 1-17.
- ❖ Voottipruex et. al. (2011), Numerical Simulations and Parametric Study of SDCM and DCM Piles under Full Scale Axial and Lateral Loads. Computers and Geotechnics, Vol. 38, pp. 318-329.
- ❖ Voottipruex et. al. (2011), Behavior and Simulation of Deep Cement Mixing (DCM) and Stiffened Deep Cement Mixing (SDCM) Piles under Full Scale Loading, Soils and Foundations, Vol. 51, No. 2, pp. 307-320.





# Deep Cement Mixing (DCM) Method: New Approach and Optimum Water Contents

## Mechanism of Soil-Cement Stabilization

**Hydration:**  $C_3S + H_2O = C_3S_2H_6$  (hydrated gel) +  $Ca(OH)_2$  (Hydrated lime)

**Hydrolysis:**  $Ca(OH)_2 = Ca^{++} + 2(OH)^-$   
Rise of pH (base), hence dissolves the soil silica and alumina (acidic) from the clay minerals and amorphous materials on the surface of clay

**Ion Exchange and Flocculation**  
 $Ca^{++} + Clay \rightarrow Ca^{++}$  exchanged with monovalent ions ( $K^+$ ,  $Na^+$ )

**Pozzolanic reactions:**  
with soil silica:  $Ca^{++} + 2(OH)^- + SiO_2$  (soil silica) =  $CSH$  (secondary cementing product)  
with soil alumina:  $Ca^{++} + 2(OH)^- + Al_2O_3$  (soil alumina) =  $CAH$  (secondary cementing product)

When  $pH < 12.6$ , then the following reaction occurs:  
 $C_3S_2H_6 = C_3S_2H_6$  (hydrated gel) +  $Ca(OH)_2$

## Why mixing at higher water content?

- (1) Positioning
- (2) Penetration (Remolding; water added)
- (3) Completion of penetration
- (4) Feeding of cementing agent-slurry (withdrawal)
- (5) Completion

## $q_u$ versus $e_{ot}/A_w$ Ratio

Unconfined compressive strength,  $q_u$  (kPa)

Ratio of after-curing void ratio to cement content,  $e_{ot}/A_w$

$q_u = A p_a e^B \left( \frac{e_{ot}}{A_w} \right)$   
 $A = \text{intercept (type of admixture)} = 10.33$  (dimensionless)  
 $B = f(\text{clay type, mineralogy}) = \text{slope} = -0.046$  (Bangkok) (dimensionless)  
 $p_a = \text{atmospheric pressure (kPa)}$

## Schematic Diagram for Predicting Compression Line of Cement Treated Clay (curing time: at least one month)

$e_{oi}$  = initial void ratio after curing;  
 $\sigma_{vy}$  = predicted vertical yield stress.  
 Pre-yield compression index

Post-yield compression line for particular cement content  
 Increasing  $A_w$

## Summary: Prediction of Strength and Compressibility

**Unconfined compression**  
**1-Dimensional compression**

Two parameters: (1) after-curing void ratio,  $e_{ot}$ , (2) cement content,  $A_w$

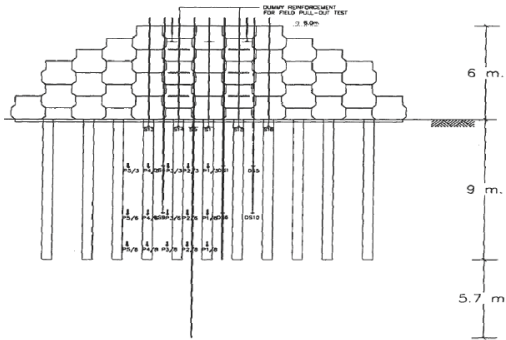
## Strength Curve and Optimum Mixing Water Content

All data points corresponding to  $C_w/LL = 0.8$  are extracted from Uddin (1995)  
 Cement content: 10%, 15%, 20%  
 20% data from Sorlalump (1996)

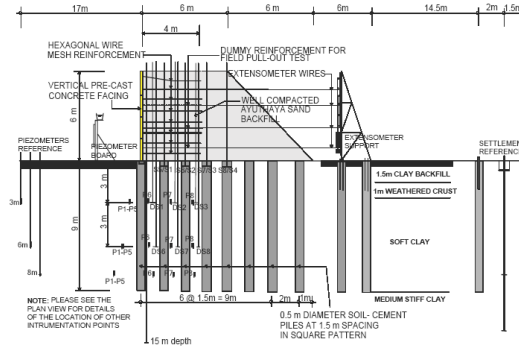
**Why  $C_w/LL$ ?**  
 To account for the effect of varying liquid limits from different types of clay.

# Deep Cement Mixing (DCM) Method: New Approach and Optimum Water Contents

Front Elevation and DMM Pile Penetration



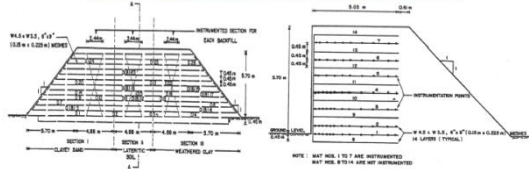
Section thru Center Line



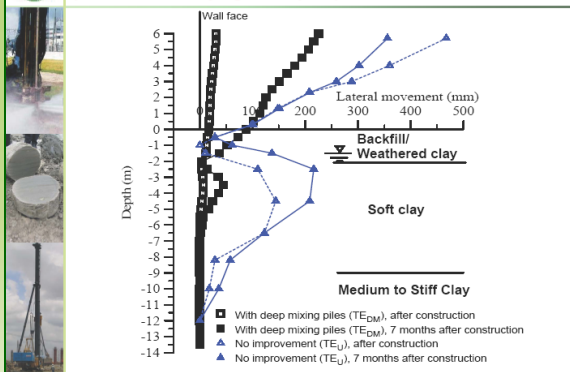
The Finished 6m High Reinforced Embankment



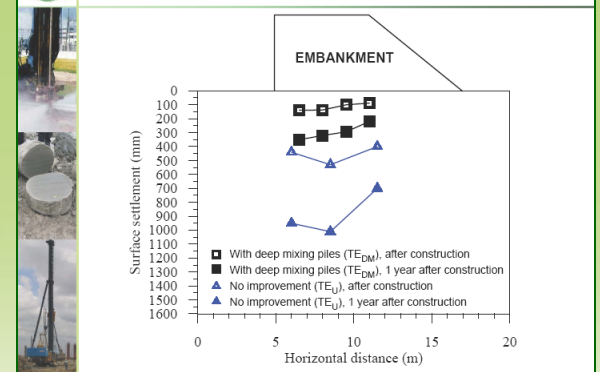
Steel-Grid MSE Embankment on Unimproved Soft Clay Foundation



Comparison of Lateral Displacement Profiles (with and without jet grouted piles)

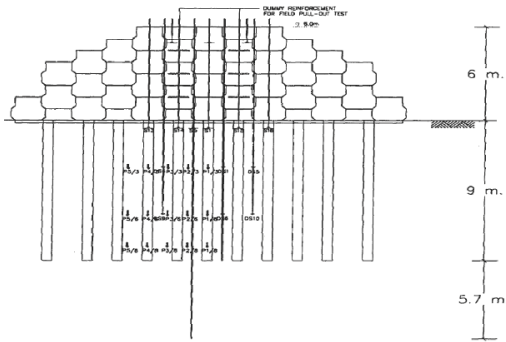


Comparison of Surface Settlements (with and without jet grouted piles)



# Deep Cement Mixing (DCM) Method: New Approach and Optimum Water Contents

Front Elevation and DMM Pile Penetration



Governing Equation for the Consolidation of Deep Mixing Improved Ground (Lorenzo and Bergado, 2003)

$$\left( \frac{\partial \bar{u}_{up}}{\partial t} \right) + \left( n^2 - 1 \right) \left( \frac{m_{v,c}}{m_{v,p}} \right) \left( \frac{C_c}{C_s} \right)_p \left( \frac{\partial \bar{u}_c}{\partial t} \right) = c_{v,p} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \bar{u}_{up}}{\partial z^2} \right)$$

$(C_c/C_s)_p$  is the ratio of the compression and swelling indices of the pile at loading condition;

$$m_{v,p} = \frac{k_{v,p}}{c_{v,p} \gamma_w} = \text{coefficient of volume change of the pile;}$$

$$m_{v,c} = \frac{k_{h,c}}{c_{h,c} \gamma_w} \approx \frac{k_{v,c}}{c_{v,c} \gamma_w} = \text{coeff. of volume change of adjacent clay;}$$

$c_{v,p}$ ;  $c_{v,c}$  = coefficient of consolidation of the pile and clay, respectively;  
 $k_{v,p}$ ;  $k_{v,c}$  = coefficient of permeability of the pile and clay, respectively;  
 $n = D_p/d_p$

Time Factors for DMM Improved Ground (after Lorenzo and Bergado, 2003)

Equal stress condition:

$$T_{v,s} = \left( \frac{\frac{m_{v,p}}{m_{v,c}}}{\frac{m_{v,p}}{m_{v,c}} + (n^2 - 1) \left( \frac{C_c}{C_s} \right)_p} \right) \left( \frac{c_{v,p} t}{H_p^2} \right)$$

Equal strain condition:

$$T_{v,s} = \left( \frac{1}{1 + (n^2 - 1) \left( \frac{C_c}{C_s} \right)_p} \right) \left( \frac{c_{v,p} t}{H_p^2} \right)$$

Calculation of Settlement vs. Time Plot

During staged construction:

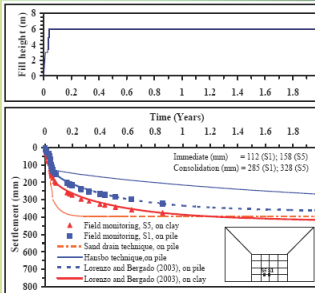
$$S_{t_{i+1}} = S_{t_i} + S_c \left( \frac{\Delta h}{H_{total}} \right)_{t_i \rightarrow t_{i+1}} + S_c \left( \frac{\Delta H}{H_{total}} \right)_{t_{i+1}} (\alpha_\sigma \bar{U}_\sigma + \alpha_\varepsilon \bar{U}_\varepsilon)_{\Delta t=t_i \rightarrow t_{i+1}}$$

After the end of staged construction:

$$S_t = S_{t=end} + [S_c - (S_{t=end} - S_c)] (\alpha_\sigma \bar{U}_\sigma + \alpha_\varepsilon \bar{U}_\varepsilon)_{\Delta t=fromend}$$

$S_e$  = elastic settlement;  $S_c$  = consolidation settlement. These are to be adjusted by trial until good agreement between the measured and projected settlement time plot is obtained.

Back-analysis of Wangnoi Embankment Surface Settlement (S1 vs. S5)



Measured parameters:

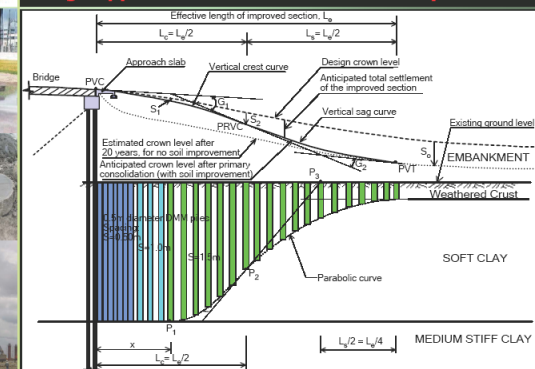
Clay:  
 $C_{vc} = 1-3 \text{ m}^2/\text{yr}$   
 $K_{vc} = 3-6 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m/s}$

DMM:  
 $C_{vp} \text{ (lab)} = 200-400 \text{ m}^2/\text{yr}$   
 $K_{vp} \text{ (lab)} = 150-200 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m/s}$

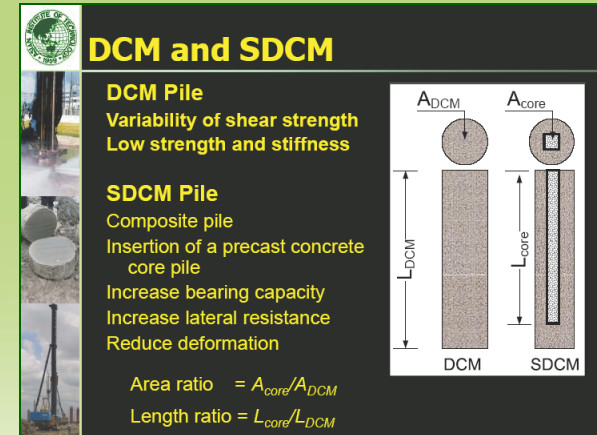
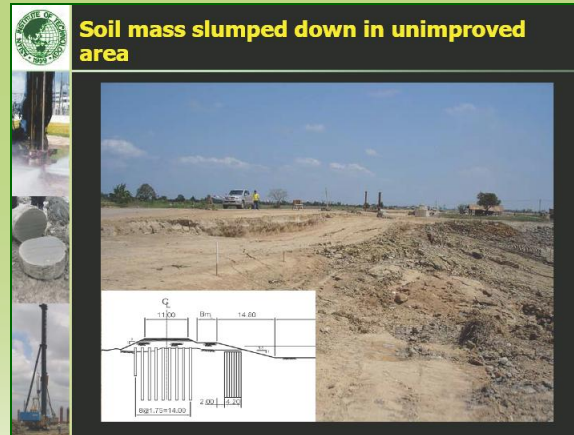
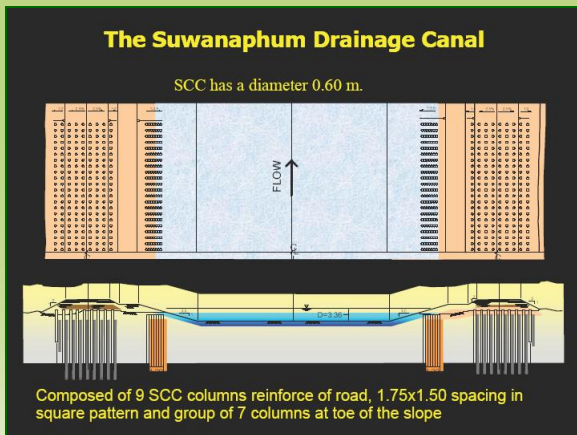
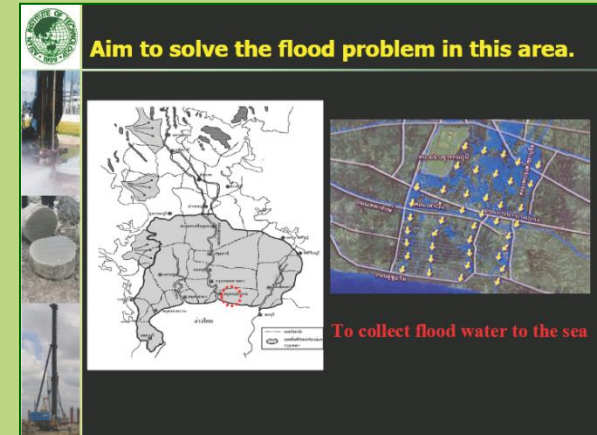
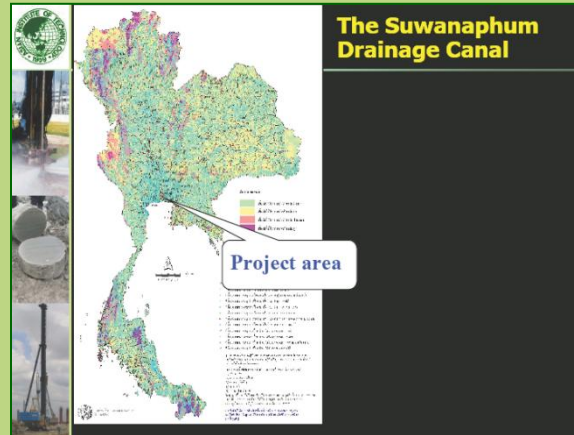
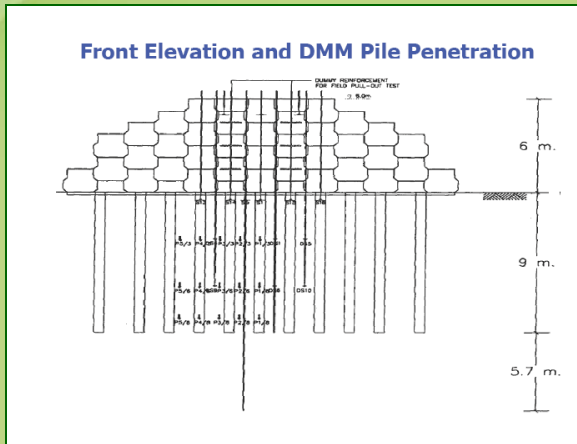
Back-analyzed:  
 $C_{vp, back} = 800 \text{ m}^2/\text{yr}$   
 $K_{vp, back} = 40$   
 $(m_{v,p}/m_{v,c}) = 0.10$   
 Best fit: 80% equal strain; 20% equal stress.

Immediate (mm) = 112 (S1); 158 (S5)  
 Consolidation (mm) = 285 (S1); 328 (S5)

Suggested Scheme of Deep Mixing Installation for Bridge Approach Embankment on Soft Clay Ground



# Deep Cement Mixing (DCM) Method: New Approach and Optimum Water Contents



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### Construction of Deep Mixing Piles

2.0 m spacing in square pattern  
a jet pressure of 22 MPa  
 $D_{DCM} = 0.6$  m,  $L_{DCM} = 7.0$  m.  
 $A_w = 150$  kg/m<sup>3</sup> of soil

Concrete  $f_c' = 35$ MPa  
8-Ø4mm stands  
 $f_y = 1750$  MPa  
Ø3mm stirrups  
spacing varied

### Construction of SDCM Piles

Insertion of prestressed concrete pile.  
No pushing force due to very low friction  
Curing time in-situ for 80 days.

### Arrangement of Full Scale Pile Load Test (Shinwuttiwong, 2007; Jamsawang, 2008)

6.00 m 4.00 m 6.00 m 4.00 m

0.22 m. Core 0.18 m. Core

10 piles for Compression test  
10 piles for Lateral load test  
3 piles for coring

Diameter = 0.60 m

### UC Test results of Cement-Admixed Clay

Effects of cement content on unconfined compressive strength.

### Axial compression piles

28 Cases

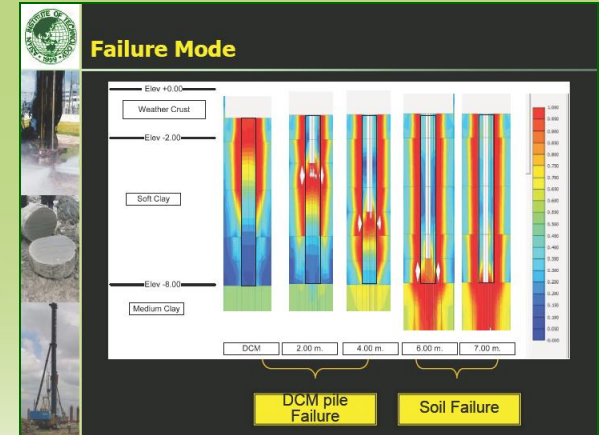
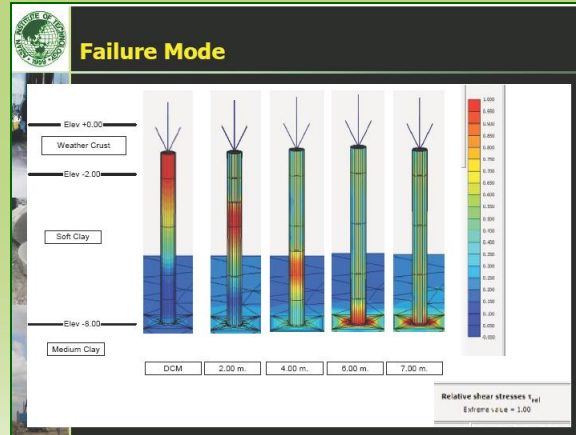
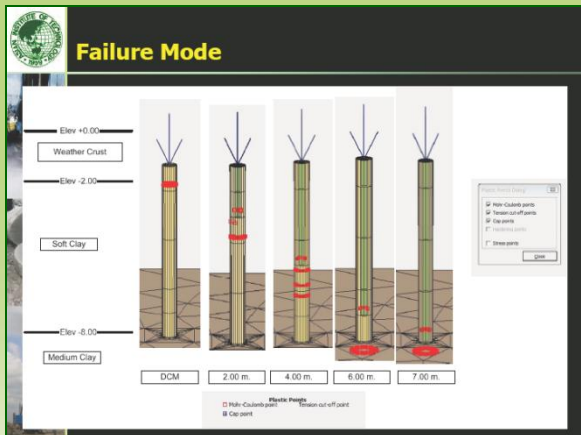
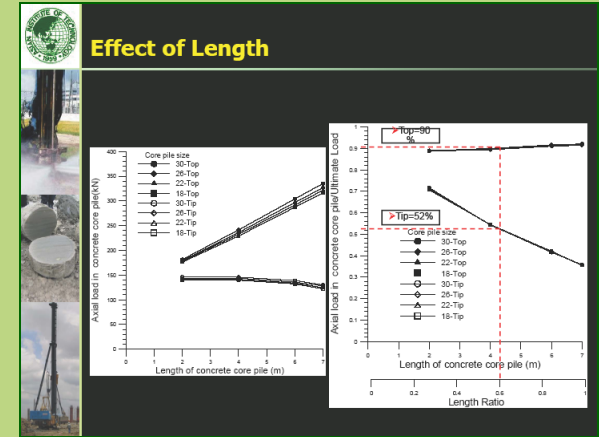
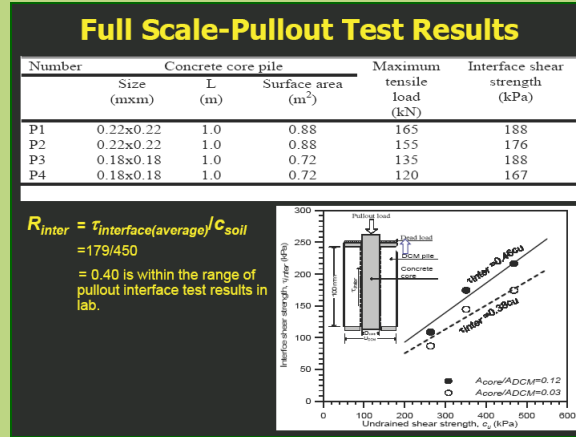
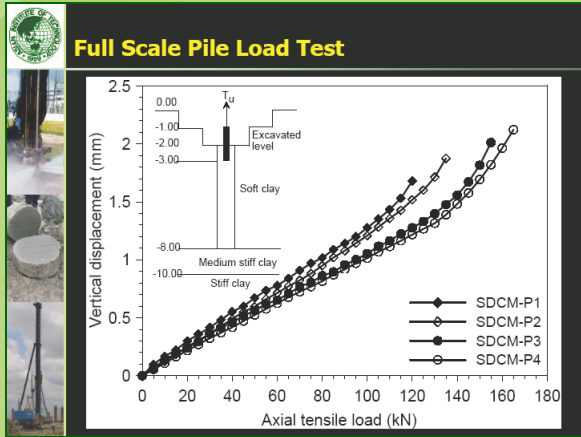
Different core size:  
0.18, 0.22, 0.26, 0.30 m.

Different length:  
1.00, 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00 m.

Based on the tangent method by Butler and Hoy (1977).

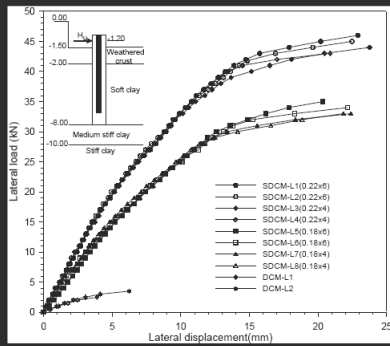
### Axial compression piles

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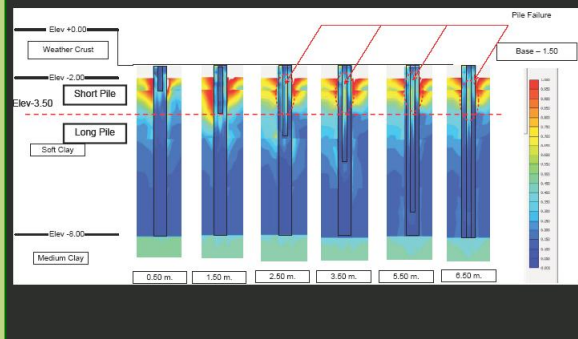


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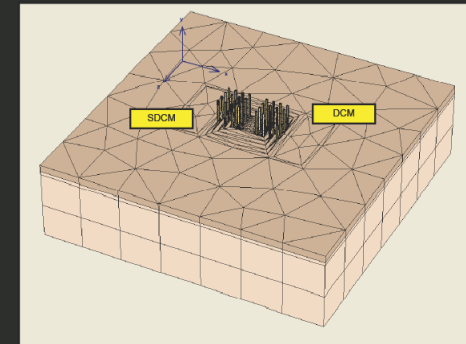
### Lateral piles



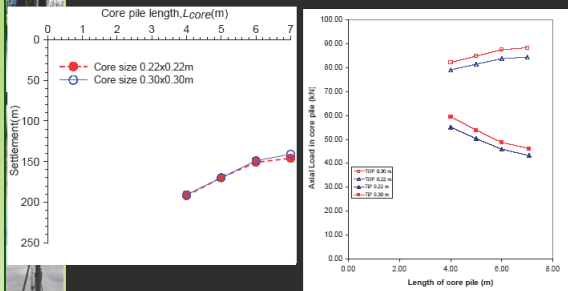
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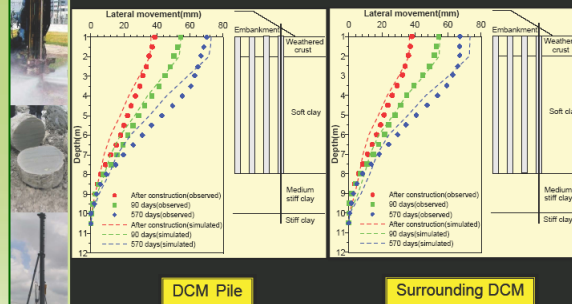
### Embankment



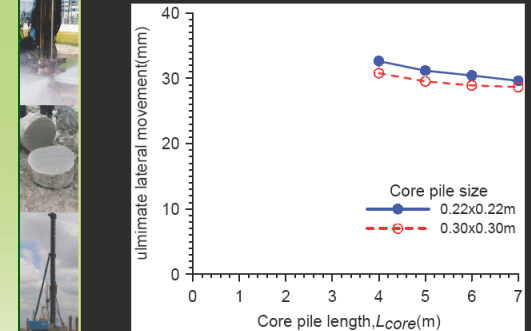
### Embankment



### Lateral movement



### Lateral movement



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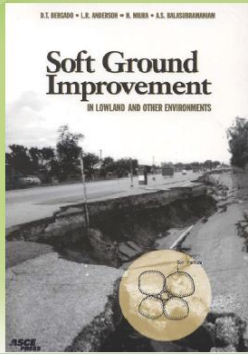


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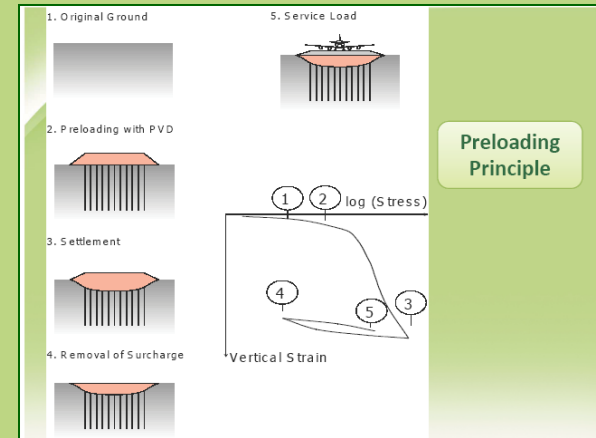
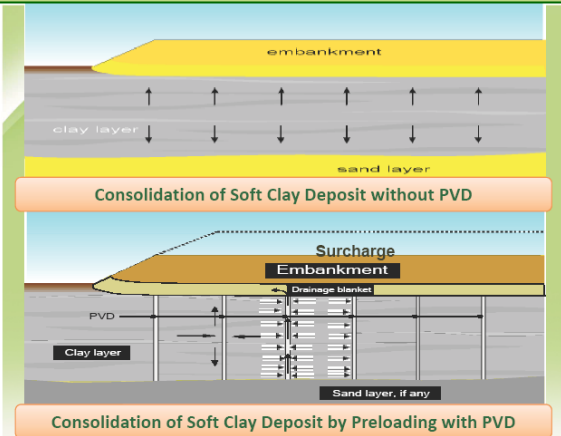
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## Soft Ground Improvement with Preloading and Prefabricated Vertical Drain (PVD)



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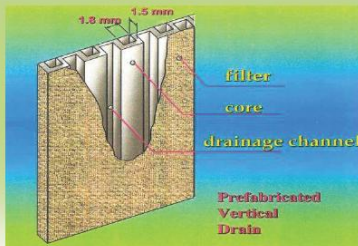
PVDs are artificially-created drainage path consisting of a central core wrapped around by a filter jacket.

### a) PVD core:

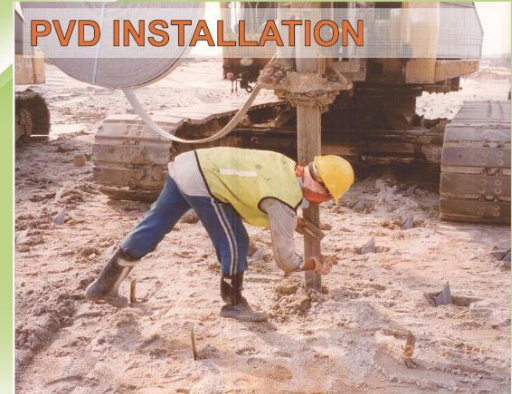
- Channels of flow
- Prevents buckling
- Supports the filter jacket

### b) Filter Jacket:

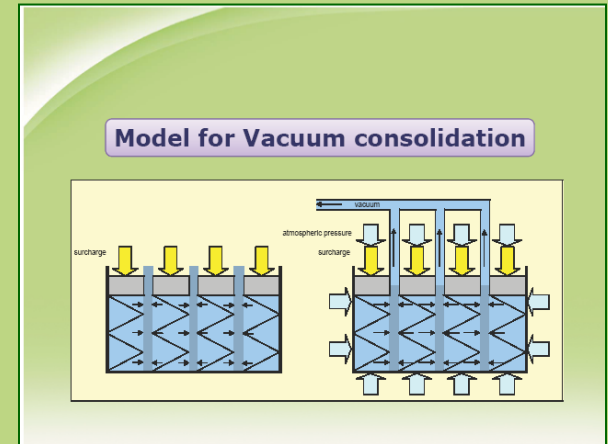
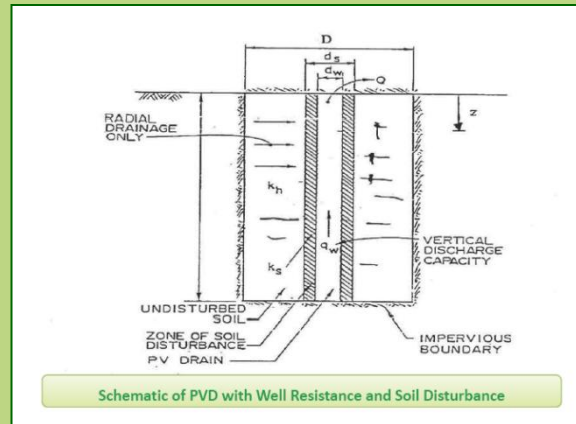
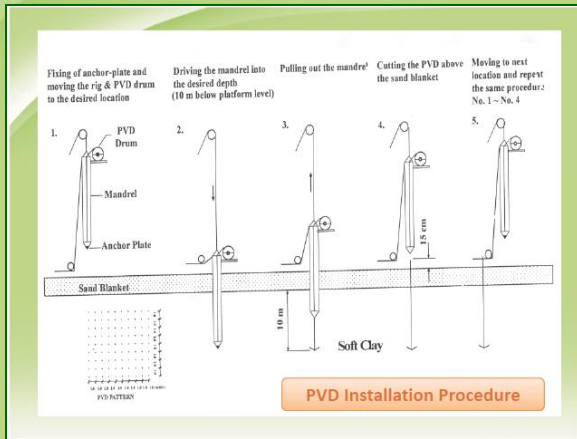
- Allow porewater to pass but minimize fine clay particles
- Reacts against lateral pressures



## PVD Installation at Second Bangkok International Airport



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**Test apparatus**

Constant head method was employed using modified flexible wall permeameter setup

$$k = \frac{q}{i}$$

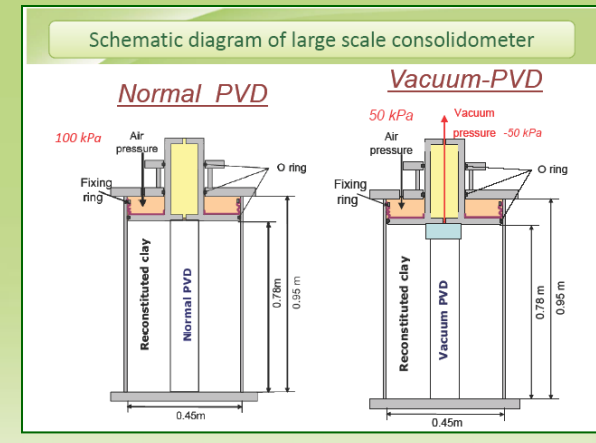
where  $q$  is the flow flux at the steady state condition and  $i$  is the applied hydraulic gradient to create flow through the soil.

**Predicting the temperature effect on hydraulic permeability**

The effect of temperature on the hydraulic permeability can be predicted as follows:

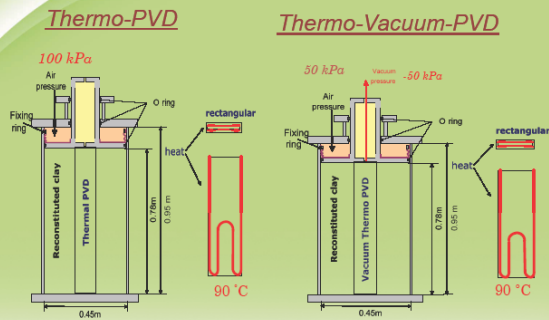
$$\frac{k(T)}{k(T_s)} = \frac{\mu(T_s) \gamma_w(T)}{\mu(T) \gamma_w(T_s)}$$

Raising the soil temp. from 22 to 90°C increases its permeability about 3 to 4 times

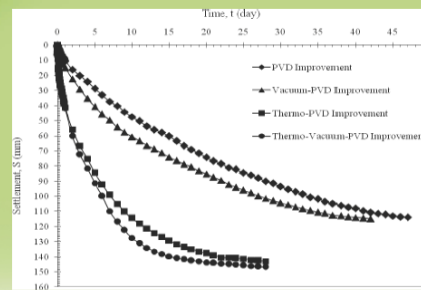


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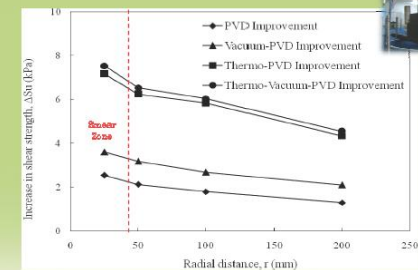
Schematic diagram of large scale consolidometer



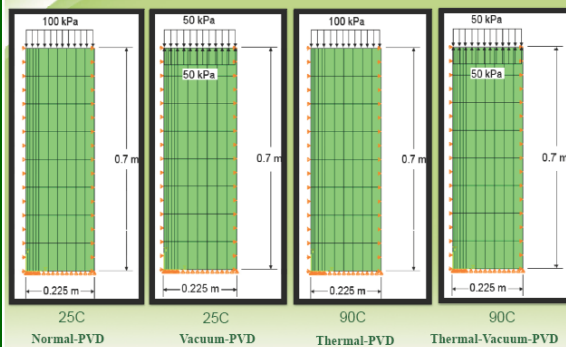
Comparison of all settlement behavior



Comparison of Shear strength increase after consolidation test



MODEL OF PVD PRELOADING IN THE LABORATORY



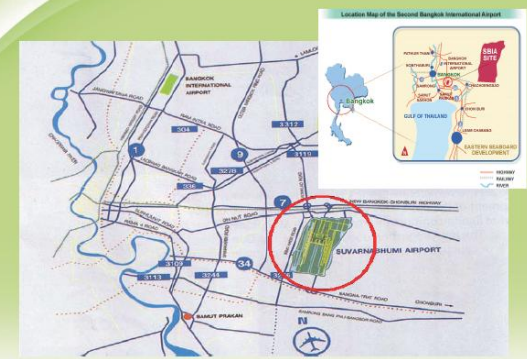
Summary of changes in flow parameters

Flow parameters	Normal PVD	Vacuum-PVD	Thermo-PVD	Thermo-Vacuum-PVD
$C_v$ (m <sup>2</sup> /yr)	1.93	2.23	4.17	4.38
$k_v/k_c$	3.00	2.70	1.40	1.10

Comparison of  $C_v$  and  $k_v/k_c$  values in percent for all tests sample compared with normal PVD

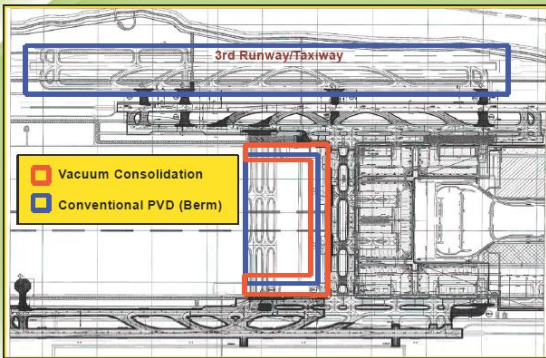
Percent Compared with normal PVD	% increased $C_v$	% decreased $k_v/k_c$
Vacuum PVD	15.54	10.00
Thermo-PVD	116.06	53.33
Thermo-Vacuum PVD	126.94	63.33

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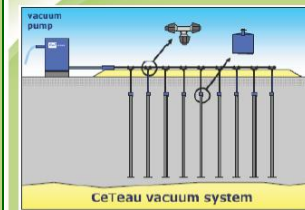
MODEL OF PVD PRELOADING IN THE FIELD CONDITION



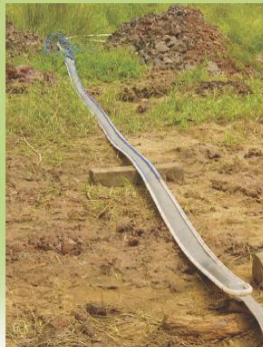
Beaudrain-S PVD Installation



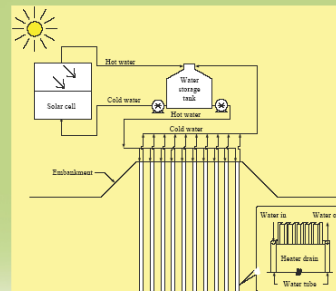
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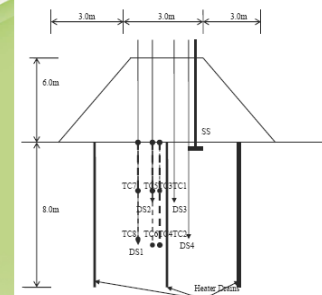
Thermo-PVD



Schematic Diagram of Field Scale Tests (Heated Test Site)



Cross Section of Test Embankment (Heated Test Site)



- Legend:
- DS1 Deep settlement gauges at depth 3.0 m, 0.15m from drain.
  - DS2 Deep settlement gauges at depth 6.0 m, 0.30m from drain.
  - DS3 Deep settlement gauges at depth 3.0 m, 0.30m from drain.
  - DS4 Deep settlement gauges at depth 6.0 m, 0.15m from drain.
  - TCS1,2 Thermo-couples at depths of 3.0m, and 6.0m, inner tube.
  - TC 3,4 Thermo-couples at depths of 3.0m, and 6.0m, outer tube.
  - TCS5,6 Thermo-couples at depths of 3.0m, and 6.0m, 0.10m from drain.
  - TCS7,8 Thermo-couples at depths of 3.0m, and 6.0m, 0.30m from drain.
  - SS Surface settlement gauge

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**Heated Test Embankment**  
 Total height: 5.60 m.  
 Unit weight of the first embankment : 18.6 kN/m<sup>3</sup>



**Non-Heated Test Embankment** Total height 5.50 m.  
 Unit weight of second embankment : 19 kN/m<sup>3</sup>



## FEM SIMULATION IN THE FIELD CONDITION

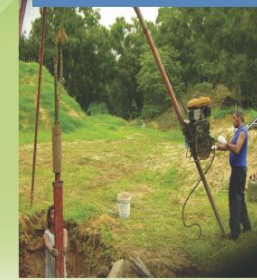
### Summary of changes in flow parameters

Type	$C_h$ (m <sup>2</sup> /yr)	$k_v/k_s$
PVDs	6.69	6.20
Thermo-PVDs	8.51	4.10

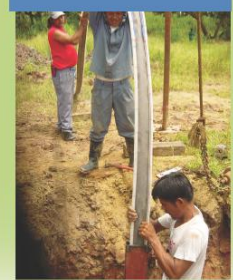
Item	Thermo-PVD improvement
Increase in $C_h$ (%)	27.20
Decrease in $k_v/k_s$ (%)	33.87

## Installation in Field

1<sup>st</sup> Mandrel installation.



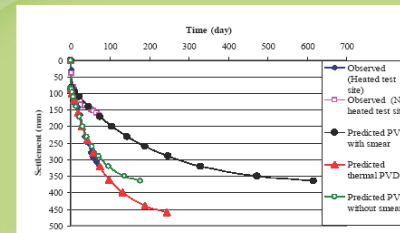
2<sup>nd</sup> Installation Thermo-PVD in mandrel



## Pipe and Pump System



## Observed and Predicted Settlements



$$C_n(\text{Thermo-PVD}) = 1.52 C_n$$

Site	$C_n$ m <sup>2</sup> /year	$k_v/k_s$
Non-heated test site	2.3	10
Heated test site	3.5	5

Therefore, the thermo-PVD system can significantly accelerate the ground improvement process.



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- ❖ Organizer, International Symposium on Geotechnical Aspects for the Second Bangkok International Airport, Bangkok, Thailand, 2006.
- ❖ Organizer, International Symposium on Ground Improvement and Geosynthetics for Human Security and Environmental Protection, Bangkok, Thailand, 2007.
- ❖ Organizer, International Symposium on Geotechnical Engineering, Ground Improvement, and Geosynthetics for Sustainable Mitigation and Adaptation to Climate Change including Global Warming, 2009.
- ❖ Organizer, International Symposium on Geotechnical and Geosynthetics Engineering: Challenges and Opportunities on Climate Change, Bangkok, Thailand, 2010.

# Organizing Conferences, Seminars, Etc.

## ORGANIZING TRAINING COURSES, SEMINARS, WORKSHOPS

- ❖ Member, Organizing Committee and Organizer of Exhibition at the Lobby of AIT Center, Annual Symposium and Short Course on Ground Improvement Tech. including Modern Piling Methods, AIT Center, 1982.
- ❖ Secretary to the Organizing Committee and Organizer of Exhibition at the Lobby of AIT Center, Annual Symposium and Short Course on Recent Developments on Laboratory and Field Testing and Analysis on Geotechnical Engineering, AIT Center, 1983.
- ❖ Member, Organizing Committee and Organizer of Exhibition at the Lobby of AIT Center, Annual Symposium and Short Course on Geotechnical Aspects of Mass and Material Transport., AIT Center, 1984.
- ❖ Member, Organizing Committee, Annual Symposium and Short Course on Environmental Geotechnics and Problematic Soils and Rocks, AIT Center, 1985.
- ❖ Member, Organizing Committee, Annual Symposium and Short Course on Computer Aided Design and Monitoring in Geotechnical Engineering, AIT, Bangkok, Thailand, 1986.

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- ❖ Co Chairman, Organizing Committee, Short Course and Seminar on Ground Improvement, Jakarta, Indonesia, 1988.
- ❖ Member, Organizing Committee, Seminar Coastal Dev., Bangkok, 1989.
- ❖ Co Chairman, Organizing Committee, Short Course on Mechanically Stabilized Earth and Its Application, Jakarta, 1990.
- ❖ Course Director, Short Course on Soil/Ground Improvement Techniques, 18 October-12 November 1993, AIT, Bangkok, Thailand.
- ❖ Course Director, Short Course on Soil/Ground Improvement Techniques, 7 to 11 November 1994, AIT, Bangkok, Thailand.
- ❖ Course Director, Short Course on Soil/Ground Improvement Techniques, 6 to 12 December 1995, AIT, Bangkok, Thailand.
- ❖ Course Director, Short Course on Soil Improvement and Geosynthetics, 2 to 7 December 1996, AIT, Bangkok, Thailand.
- ❖ Course Director, Short Course on Building Geotechnics, 21 to 23 April 1997, School of Building, Housing and Planning, University of Sains Malaysia, Penang, Malaysia.

# Organizing Conferences, Seminars, Etc.

## ORGANIZING TRAINING COURSES, SEMINARS, WORKSHOPS

- ❖ Course Director, Short Courses on Ground Improvement and Mechanically Stabilized Earth, 11 to 17 December 1997, AIT, Bangkok, Thailand.
- ❖ Course Director, Short Course on Mechanically Stabilized Earth, AIT Center, 20 November 2001.
- ❖ Course Director, Short Course on Ground Improvement using PVD, AIT Center, 21 November 2001.
- ❖ Organizer, Seminar 2002 on Geoenvironmental Engineering: Assessment and Remediation of Contaminated Sites, AIT Center.
- ❖ Course Director, Short Course on Designing with Geosynthetics, KMUTT Campus, December, 2002.
- ❖ Course Director, Short Course on Geosynthetic Applications, AIT Conference Center, December 2003.
- ❖ Organizer, Applications Seminar, The Augeo Pile/BeauDrain System and Geosynthetics, Amari Atrium Hotel, March 2004.
- ❖ Course Director, Pre-Conference Short Course on Dam Safety Risk Assessment, AIT Conference Center, November 2004.

# Organizing Conferences, Seminars, Etc.

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- ❖ Course Director, Professors Training Course for Geosynthetics, AIT Conference Center, December 2005.
- ❖ Organizer, One Day Workshop on Earth Reinforcement, Bangkok, Thailand, December 2005.
- ❖ Organizer, One Day Seminar on Geosynthetics and Applications, Angeles University, Philippines, 2006.
- ❖ Organizer, One Day Seminar on Environmental Geotechnics and Waste Management, Cagayan de Oro City, Philippines, 2007.
- ❖ Organizer, One Day Short Course on Geosynthetics and PLAXIS Software Applications, Bangkok, Thailand, 2009.
- ❖ Lecturer, Int'l. Training Course on Rural Road Development and Maintenance, Sripatum Univ. 2009.
- ❖ Organizer, Short Course on Geosynthetics Applications and Case Histories, Bangkok, Thailand, 2010.



# Future Activities

## SGCC2011

### International Symposium on Sustainable Geosynthetics and Green Technology for Climate Change (Retirement Symposium for Prof. Dennes T. Bergado)

7 to 8 December 2011 | Bangkok, Thailand

#### VENUE

Viphavadee Ballroom C, Sofitel Centara Grand Bangkok, 1695 Phaholyothin Rd., Chatuchak 10900 Bangkok, Thailand



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Participant/Presenter	150	5,000	3,000
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### SGCC2011 International Symposium on Sustainable Geosynthetics & Green Technology for Climate Change (Retirement Symposium for Prof. D.T. Bergado) 7 and 8 December 2011 – Bangkok, Thailand

#### Call for Papers



#### Organized by:



#### INTRODUCTION

Signs of abnormal weather and climate change are evident nowadays, including rain-triggered landslides, riverbank and coastal erosions, flooding, rising sea levels, and many more. Geosynthetics are now being increasingly used for many applications in civil/geotechnical engineering including road and railway embankments, retaining walls, slope and erosion protection, drainage/filtration and seepage control, approach embankments, waste containment and lining, geo-containers and geogags, etc.

Thus, this international Symposium on Sustainable Geosynthetics and Green Technology for Climate Change (SGCC2011) will be held from 7 to 8 December 2011 at the Grand Centara Convention Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand. This Symposium is hosted by the Asian Center for Soil Improvement and Geosynthetics (ACSIG) in the Geotechnical and Earth Resources Engineering Program (GTE) under the School of Engineering and Technology (SET) at the Asian Institute of Technology (AIT), the Southeast Asian Geotechnical Society (SEAGS), the International Geosynthetics Society - Thailand Chapter (IGS-Thailand), and Suranaree University of Technology (SUT), under the auspices of the International Geosynthetics Society (IGS).

SGCC2011 will also serve as the Retirement Symposium of Prof. Dennes T. Bergado. Prof. D.T. Bergado started his research on probabilistic analyses of geotechnical properties and structures. Subsequently, he branched out to Ground Improvement and Geosynthetics. He established the ACSIG and initiated IGS-Thailand. He published 2 books, more than 100 journal articles, and more than 200 conference papers mainly in this area. He pioneered the use of prefabricated vertical drain (PVD) in soft Bangkok clay with subsequent combinations of vacuum and heat preloading with notable applications in the Second Bangkok-International Airport as well as the Outer Ring Roads and Motorway Projects. He also did sustainable research work on recycled and lightweight geomaterials such as rubber tire chips mixed with sand. Currently, his research projects involve new and creative ideas regarding deep cement mixing method (DCM) such as optimum mixing water contents, fundamental parameters as well as reinforced DCM called SDCM piles. His recent research works consist of risk reduction, sustainable mitigation of rain-triggered landslides, root reinforcement and soil erosions as well as ecological ground improvement and limited life geosynthetics (LLGs).

#### CALL FOR PAPERS

Abstracts on the following themes are particularly welcome:

- Roads/Railways/Transport Applications
- Flood Control/Reservoirs/Hydraulic Applications
- Mining/Waste Containment/Environmental Protection
- Ground Improvement/Remediation/Case Studies
- Reinforced Slopes/Walls and Geohazard Mitigations
- Geosynthetic for Renewable Energy
- Geo-Containers and Geogags
- Behavior of Unsaturated Soils/Rain-Triggered Landslides
- Earthquake Engineering/Geophysics
- Foundation Engineering/Retaining Walls
- Laboratory/Field Tests/Durability of Geosynthetics
- Sustainable Limited Life Geosynthetics (LLGs)
- Case Histories and Geosynthetics Innovations
- Sustainable Geosynthetics Engineering/Applications

#### IMPORTANT DATES

Deadline for Abstract Submission: 30 July 2011  
 Notification of Abstracts Acceptance: 15 August 2011  
 Deadline for Manuscript Submission: 1 October 2011  
 Notification of Manuscript Acceptance: 15 October 2011  
 Deadline for Author Registration: 1 November 2011  
 SGCC2011: 7 to 8 December 2011

#### LANGUAGE

English will be the official language of this symposium.

#### KEYNOTE GUESTS AND INVITED LECTURES

The Keynote Guests and Invited Lectures will be mainly represented by the provincial colleagues and friends, as well as the successful former students of Prof. D.T. Bergado. Other interested presenters are very much welcome.

#### THE ORGANIZERS

The Asian Institute of Technology (AIT) is an international post graduate institute founded in 1959, and is Asia's pioneer institution established to help meet the region's growing need for advanced learning in engineering, science, technology and management, research and capacity building. Recognized for its multi-national, multi-cultural ethos, the Institute operates as a self-contained international community at its campus located 40 km north of Bangkok city center, Thailand. To further achieve an efficient and effective delivery of its mission in Asia and the Pacific Region, several Outreach Centers have been established in mobilized in AIT. This includes the Asian Center for Soil Improvement and Geosynthetics (ACSIG).

ACSIG acts as catalyst in the advancement of soil/ground improvement techniques and the subsequent effective utilization of geosynthetics for environmental preservation and to mitigate existing geotechnical problems in Asia and the Pacific through competence, updated and sustainable education, research and outreach activities.

The International Geosynthetics Society (IGS) is a non-profit organization dedicated to the scientific and engineering development of geosynthetics and associated technologies. The IGS-Thailand Chapter (IGS-Thailand) was established in 2002 to meet the local needs and disseminate further the geosynthetics and associated technologies in Thailand and beyond.

The Southeast Asian Geotechnical Society (SEAGS) was founded in 1967 by Dr. Za-Cheh Moh as a regional society encompassing countries or territories in Southeast Asia, to promote the cooperation among engineers, geologists and other scientists in Southeast Asia for the advancement of knowledge in geotechnical engineering. Dr. Ooi Teik Ann now serves as the SEAGS President while Prof. Dennes T. Bergado serves as the Secretary-General.


Suranaree University of Technology (SUT) is a public autonomous university under the Royal Thai Government supervision. From its first operation in 1993 to 2008, SUT has so far produced 11 classes of Bachelors, 8 classes of Masters, and 8 classes of doctoral graduates. SUT is determined to achieve excellence in learning and teaching activities, and progress as a research university by strengthening its research activities. In addition, SUT also places high importance on academic services and preservation of arts and culture on a continual basis.


# Future Activities



## GEOSYNTHETICS ASIA 2012 5th Asian Regional Conference on Geosynthetics

10 to 14 December 2012  
Bangkok, Thailand

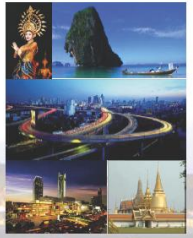
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<p>Tentatively, GA2012 will be held in Centara Grand and Bangkok Convention Centre at Central World - a fully integrated and innovative hotel, convention venue, retail, and leisure complex ideally situated in the heart of Bangkok.</p> <p>Transportation Options to / from the Hotel &amp; BCC: Suvarnabhumi International Airport: 25 kilometres or 30 minutes by car via expressway or by Suvarnabhumi Airport Railway Link through Phaya Thai BTS Station Chidlom BTS Station: 1 kilometre or 10 minutes by walking via Sky-Walk Siam BTS Station: 1.5 kilometres or 15 minutes by walking via Sky-Walk Makasa City Terminal: 2 kilometres or 10 minutes by car (connected with Suvarnabhumi Airport Railway Link)</p>  <p>Abstracts are limited to 500 words. According to the International Geosynthetic Society regulations, participants may have only one paper as first authors (no limit for co-authorship papers). Chapters of ISG may submit up to 10 "Case Histories of Geosynthetic Engineering Practices" in addition to individual submissions.</p>	<p>The Registration Fees which covers the Conference Proceedings, Lunch and Coffee Breaks are as follows:</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Participants</td> <td>US\$ 500</td> </tr> <tr> <td>KCS Member</td> <td>US\$ 450</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Corporate Member (up to 5 each member)</td> <td>US\$ 450</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Early Bird Registration</td> <td>20% discount</td> </tr> </table> <p><b>Registration Form</b></p> <p>Name: _____ Title of Paper: _____ Mailing Address: _____ Telephone: _____ Facsimile: _____ E-mail: _____</p> <p><b>Method of Payment</b></p> <p>• Bank Transfer (add 3%)          Account Name: Asian Institute of Technology          Account Number: 353-9-00001-3          Bank Address: Siam Commercial Bank, Ronglue Luang Branch, AIT Campus, Ronglue Luang, Pathumthani 12120, Thailand</p> <p>• Credit Card (add 5%)  <input type="checkbox"/> American Express (4-digit personal code: _____)  <input type="checkbox"/> Visa Card    <input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard</p> <p>Amount to be charged: _____          Card Number: _____          Expiry Date: _____          Cardholder's Name: _____          Cardholder's Signature: _____</p> <p>Contact Information:          GA2012 Secretariat          Phone: +66-2-524-5523, Fax: +66-2-524-6550          E-mail: ig-chaibai@ait.ac.th or acsig@ait.ac.th          Conference Chairman: Prof. Dennis T. Bergado          E-mail: bergado@ait.ac.th          website: www.set.ait.ac.th/acsig/GA2012/</p>	Participants	US\$ 500	KCS Member	US\$ 450	Corporate Member (up to 5 each member)	US\$ 450	Early Bird Registration	20% discount
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**BULLETIN NO. 4**  
"Geosynthetics for Sustainable Adaptation to Climate Change"



Organized by:  
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INTRODUCTION	CONFERENCE THEME	LOCAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE																																																								
<p>The International Geosynthetic Society—Thailand Chapter (IGS-Thailand), under the auspices of International Geosynthetic Society (IGS), organizes the Fifth Asian Regional Conference on Geosynthetics or Geosynthetics Asia 2012, which is scheduled from 10 to 14 December 2012 at Grand Centara Convention Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand. GA2012 will be hosted by the Asian Center for Soil Improvement and Geosynthetics (ACSIG) in the Geotechnical and Earth Resources Engineering (GTE) Program under the School of Engineering and Technology (SET) at the Asian Institute of Technology (AIT). The theme of this Conference is "Geosynthetics for Sustainable Adaptation to Climate Change".</p> <p>The effect of climate change including global warming is not only limited in causing landslide disasters but also in increasing the frequency of occurrence of a variety of natural disasters. The intergovernmental panel on climate change (IPCC) reported that residences of many more millions of people are projected to be flooded every year through the 2080's because of rising sea level. Among at risk are low-lying and densely populated areas. Moreover, recent news items have identified that insurance companies are blaming bad weather slacking down their profit forecasts by millions of dollars. Consequently, the insurance companies have been forced to raise the insurance premium to recoup their losses.</p>	<p><b>1. Keynote Lectures</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Keynote 1: Embankments on Soft Ground and Ground Improvement</li> <li>• Keynote 2: Riverbank and Coastal Protection</li> <li>• Keynote 3: Geosynthetics for Environmental Protection</li> <li>• Keynote 4: Reinforced Earth Structures</li> <li>• Keynote 5: Geosynthetics Innovation for Sustainable Engineering</li> </ul> <p><b>2. Theme Lectures</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Geosynthetics for Climate Change due to Global Warming (Erosion Slopes, Landslide Rehabilitation/Walk, Green Control)</li> <li>b. Sustainable Infrastructure including Limited Life Geosynthetics (LLGs) (Green Geosynthetics, Bioplastics, Natural Fibers, Renewable, Durability)</li> <li>c. Geosynthetics for Human Security (Food Control, Road and Subways, Storm Levees and Canals)</li> <li>d. Geosynthetics for Food and Agriculture (Fertilizer Control, Aquaponics, Fresh)</li> <li>e. Geosynthetics for Water Conservation (Lining Systems, Geotextures, Reservoirs)</li> <li>f. Geosynthetics for Leisure Activities and Sports (Artificial Lakes, Golf Courses, Race Tracks)</li> <li>g. Geosynthetics for Waste Disposal and Mining Activities (Geomembranes, Geosynthetic Clay Liners, Interface Sheet Pile)</li> <li>h. Geosynthetics for Coastal and Riverbank Protection (Dynesand, Fiberglass, Geotextiles, Geotubes)</li> <li>i. Geosynthetics for Soft Ground Improvement (Preloaded Vertical Drains, Vertical/Horizontal/Oblique Preloading)</li> <li>j. Case Histories and Innovations (Geosynthetic Interaction, Seismic Rehabilitation, Rehabilitation, Innovation)</li> </ol> <p><b>3. Special Sessions</b>                  The IGS Technical Committees will be requested to organize Special Sessions (to be combined with selected theme).</p> <p><b>4. Country Reports</b>                  These reports are aimed at increasing IGS members awareness on geosynthetic activities in developing countries and will target the formation of potential new chapters and geosynthetic interest groups. Representatives from Malaysia, Philippines, Indonesia, Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, and Myanmar are encouraged to present their reports.</p> <p><b>5. Case Histories</b>                  Each Asian Chapters of IGS to present 2 to 3 Case Histories.</p> <p><b>6. Student Presentations</b>                  Student representatives from each Asian IGS Chapter to present papers.</p>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Prof. Dennis T. Bergado</td> <td>Thailand</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dr. Sompop Youwatt</td> <td>Thailand</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mr. Nuttapong Kovitayatham</td> <td>Thailand</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dr. Suttakorn Sornalump</td> <td>Thailand</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dr. Mantri Dechaisakulom</td> <td>Thailand</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dr. Fanich Vootipruex</td> <td>Thailand</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dr. Tip Poon Lai</td> <td>Malaysia</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dr. Pham Van Long</td> <td>Vietnam</td> </tr> </table> <p><b>INTERNATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE</b></p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Prof. Guangjun Li</td> <td>China</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Prof. Rajagopal</td> <td>India</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mr. Gouy Tjin Liong</td> <td>Indonesia</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dr. Hiroshi Miki</td> <td>Japan</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Prof. H.Y. 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