

ENCE 4340 Foundation Engineering Fall 2011 Homework # 2 (due: 9-26-2011)

Problem 1: Refer to Figure P5.5. Determine the average stress increase in the clay layer below the center of the foundation due to the net foundation load of 900 kN. Use the 2:1 Method.  $45^\circ$

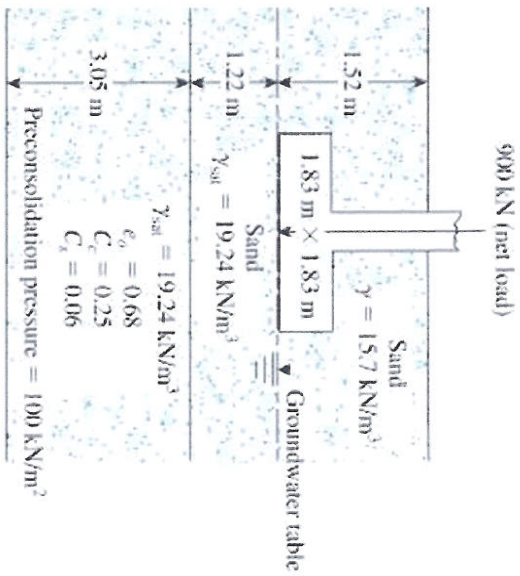


Figure P5.5

$$\Delta \sigma = \frac{Q}{B+Z} \left( \frac{L+Z}{L+Z} \right)$$

$$= \frac{(2687.7 \text{ kN/m}^2)(1.83 \text{ m})}{(1.83 + 1.22 \text{ m})(1.83 \text{ m} + 1.22 \text{ m})}$$

$$= 96.75 \text{ kN/m}^2$$

$$\Delta \sigma_{\text{mid}} = \frac{(2687.7 \text{ kN/m}^2)(1.83 \text{ m})}{(1.83 \text{ m} + 1.22 \text{ m} + 1.52 \text{ m})(1.83 \text{ m} + 1.22 \text{ m} + 1.52 \text{ m})}$$

$$= 43.0 \text{ kN/m}^2$$

$$\Delta \sigma_{\text{bot}} = \frac{(2687.7 \text{ kN/m}^2)(1.83 \text{ m})}{(1.83 \text{ m} + 1.22 \text{ m} + 3.05 \text{ m})(1.83 \text{ m} + 1.22 \text{ m} + 3.05 \text{ m})}$$

$$= 24.19 \text{ kN/m}^2$$

$$\Delta \sigma_{\text{AVG}} = \frac{1}{6} (96.75 + (4 \times 43.0) + 24.19) \text{ kN/m}^2$$

$$= 48.82 \text{ kN/m}^2$$

$g_0$  is distributed

$$\therefore g_0 = \frac{Q}{B \times L} = \frac{900 \text{ kN}}{1.83 \text{ m} \times 1.83 \text{ m}} = 2687.7$$

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Problem 2: Figure P5.7 shows an embankment load on a silty clay soil layer. Determine the stress increase at points A, B, and C, which are located at a depth of 5 m below the ground surface

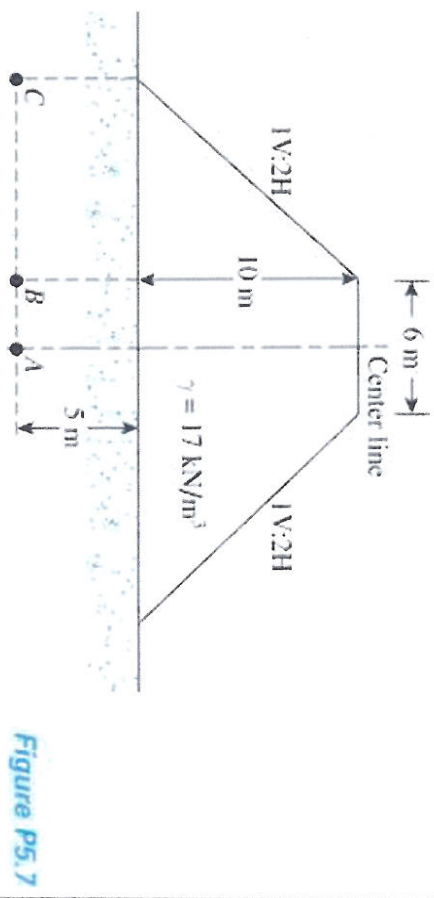


Figure P5.7

A) 
  
 Left:  $B_1 = \frac{3m}{5m} = 0.6$   
 $\frac{B_2}{Z} = \frac{20m}{5m} = 4$   
 $I' = 0.475$  (Fig. 5.11)  
 $\Delta \sigma_A = \Delta \sigma_1 + \Delta \sigma_2 = \gamma_0 (I'_L + I'_R)$   
 $\Delta \sigma_A = 170 \text{ kN/m}^2 (0.475 + 0.475) = \boxed{161.5 \text{ kN/m}^2}$

Left:  $B_1 = \frac{3m}{5m} = 0.6$   
 $\frac{B_2}{Z} = \frac{20m}{5m} = 4$   
 $I' = 0.42$   
 $\sigma_B = 170 \text{ kN/m}^2 (0.42 + 0.49) = \boxed{154.7 \text{ kN/m}^2}$  (Fig. 5-11)  
 Right:  $B_1 = \frac{6m}{5m} = 1.2$   
 $\frac{B_2}{Z} = \frac{20m}{5m} = 4$   
 $I' = 0.49$   
 Left/Right:  $B_1 = \frac{20}{5} = 4$   
 $\frac{B_2}{Z} = \frac{26}{5} = 5.2$   
 $I' = 0.5$  (Fig. 5.11)  
 Right/Right:  $B_1 = \frac{6}{5} = 0.6$   
 $\frac{B_2}{Z} = \frac{20}{5} = 4$   
 $I' = 0.42$   
 $\Delta \sigma_C = 170 \text{ kN/m}^2 [0.5 + 0.42] = \boxed{131.6 \text{ kN/m}^2}$

$\gamma_0 = \gamma H = (17)(10) = 170 \text{ kN/m}^2$