Dredging Processes

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4. Sand Cutting











Dredging A Way Of Life







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Dry Sand



Dry Sand Mechanism





Dry Sand Forces on the Layer Cut





Dry Sand Forces on the Blade





Dry Sand Moments







Dry Sand Resulting Equations

$$K_2 = \frac{G \cdot \sin(\beta + \varphi) + I \cdot \cos(\varphi)}{\sin(\alpha + \beta + \delta + \varphi)}$$

$$F_h = K_2 \cdot \sin(\alpha + \delta)$$

$$F_{\nu} = K_2 \cdot \cos(\alpha + \delta)$$

Saturated Sand

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Saturated Sand Forces on the Layer Cut





Saturated Sand Forces on the Blade





Saturated Sand Moments





Saturated Sand Resulting Equations

$$K_2 = \frac{W_2 \cdot \sin(\alpha + \beta + \varphi) + W_1 \cdot \sin(\varphi)}{\sin(\alpha + \beta + \delta + \varphi)}$$

$$F_h = -W_2 \cdot \sin(\alpha) + K_2 \cdot \sin(\alpha + \delta)$$

$$F_{\nu} = -W_2 \cdot \cos(\alpha) + K_2 \cdot \cos(\alpha + \delta)$$



Saturated Sand Dilatation





Saturated Sand Specific Flow







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Saturated Sand Mesh Coarse









Saturated Sand Equipotential Lines







Saturated Sand Equipotential Lines





Flow Lines







Saturated Sand







Determining the Shear Angle





The Influence of Wear





 $F_{\rm h}$

The Permeability Ratio







Saturated Sand Cutting Equations

Non-Cavitating Equations

$$F_{h} = \frac{c_{1} \cdot \rho_{w} \cdot g \cdot v_{c} \cdot h_{i}^{2} \cdot b \cdot e}{k_{m}}$$

$$F_{v} = \frac{c_{2} \cdot \rho_{w} \cdot g \cdot v_{c} \cdot h_{i}^{2} \cdot b \cdot e}{k_{m}}$$

Cavitating Equations

 $F_{h} = d_{1} \cdot \rho_{w} \cdot g \cdot (z+10) \cdot h_{i} \cdot b \qquad F_{v} = d_{2} \cdot \rho_{w} \cdot g \cdot (z+10) \cdot h_{i} \cdot b$

Cavitation Transition

$$\frac{\mathbf{d}_1 \cdot (\mathbf{z} + \mathbf{10})}{\mathbf{c}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_c \cdot \mathbf{h}_i \cdot \mathbf{e}_k} < 1$$



Cavitation







Pressure Transducers





Pore Pressures







Analytical method (parallel resistors)









Resistors



$$\frac{I}{R_{t}} = \frac{I}{R_{1}} + \frac{I}{R_{2}} + \frac{I}{R_{3}} + \frac{I}{R_{4}}$$

$$\Delta p = \rho_{w} \cdot g \cdot v_{c} \cdot e \cdot \sin(\beta) \cdot R_{t}$$



SPT value versus relative density SPT values versus relative density. 100.0 SPT = $(1.82 + 0.221 \cdot (z + 10)) \cdot 10^{-4} \cdot RD^{2.52}$ 90.0 80.0 70.0 60.0

SPT value in blows/305 mm







Normalised SPT values



The measured SPT value reduced to the SPT value at 10 m waterdepth for water saturated sand.




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Internal Friction Angle vs SPT Value





Saturated Sand Specific Energy

$$E_{s} = \frac{P_{c}}{Q_{c}} = \frac{F_{h} \cdot v_{c}}{h_{i} \cdot b \cdot v_{c}} = d_{1} \cdot \rho_{w} \cdot g \cdot (z + 10)$$

$$\mathbf{E}_{s} = \boldsymbol{\rho}_{w} \cdot \mathbf{g} \cdot \left(\mathbf{z} + \mathbf{10}\right) \cdot \mathbf{d}_{1}$$

$$\mathbf{Q} = \frac{\mathbf{P}_{a}}{\mathbf{E}_{s}} = \frac{\mathbf{P}_{a}}{\boldsymbol{\rho}_{w} \cdot \mathbf{g} \cdot (\mathbf{z} + \mathbf{10}) \cdot \mathbf{d}_{1}}$$

 $d_1 = -0.185 + 0.666 \cdot e^{0.0444 \cdot \phi}$ 30 degree blade angle

$$d_1 = +0.304 + 0.333 \cdot e^{0.0597 \cdot \varphi}$$
 45 degree blade angle

 $d_1 = +0.894 + 0.154 \cdot e^{0.0818 \cdot \phi}$ 60 degree blade angle





$$E_{s} = \frac{P_{c}}{Q_{c}} = \frac{F_{h} \cdot v_{c}}{h_{i} \cdot b \cdot v_{c}} = d_{1} \cdot \rho_{w} \cdot g \cdot (z + 10)$$



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m³/hour



Production in Sand, 45 Degree Blade



Production per 100 kW 10000 1000 100 -10 100 SPT Waterlevel 0 m Waterlevel 5 m Waterlevel 10 m Waterlevel 15 m Waterlevel 20 m Waterlevel 25 m Waterlevel 30 m





Experiments



Laboratory Side View





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A Model Rock Cutterhead





Model Cutter Heads



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Cutting Blade Mounted







The Inclined Blade







Blades Mounted









Mounting System

- 4. Auxiliary Frame
- 6. Middle Blade Mounting
- 7. Dynamometer Middle Blade
- 8. Mounting Point Middle Blade
- 9. Side Blade Mounting
- 10. Dynamometers Horizontal Force Side Blades
- 11. Dynamometer Vertical Force Side Blades
- 12. Mounting Point Side Blade



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Dimensions







Camera





Window in Blade









Egaliser





Vibration Devices







Raw Data







Pore Pressures Long Blade



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Pore Pressures Short Blade





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Pore Pressures Start Cavitation





Pore Pressures Cavitation





Cutting Forces Horizontal Force





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Cutting Forces Vertical Force





Verification of Cutting Theory





100

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25 mm

30

50 mm

15

45

60

100 mm

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Cutting velocity in cm/s

25 mm

90

105

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50 mm

120

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135

100 mm

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0

150



Snow Plough Effect 0 Degrees





Snow Plough Effect 45 Degrees





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How to determine friction







Saturated Sand With Wedge



Definitions







Forces on the Layer Cut





Forces on the Wedge





Forces on the Blade










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Path of Pore Water Flow





Specific Flow













Equi Potential Lines







Flow Lines







Pore Pressure Distribution







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Parallel Resistors







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Moment as Function of the Wedge Angle









Front view of the carriage.





The blade mounted with the camera outside.









The window in the blade.









The camera behind the blade.







The forces on the wedge at 60 degrees.







The forces on the wedge at 120 degrees





The force diagrams at different blade angles (non-cavitating).





The wedge angle Teta and the shear angle Beta versus the blade angle Alpha (Phi=30 deg., non-cavitating)





The horizontal and vertical forces versus the blade angle Alpha (Phi=30 deg, non-cavitating)





The wedge angle Teta and shear angle Beta versus the blade angle Alpha (Phi=40 deg., non-cavitating)





The horizontal and vertical forces versus the blade angle Alpha (Phi=40 deg., non-cavitating)





The wedge angle Alpha, shear angle Beta and soil/interface friction angle Delta (Phi=30 deg., cavitating).





The cutting forces with and without the wedge (Phi=30 deg., cavitating).





The wedge angle Teta, shear angle Beta and soil/interface friction angle Delta (Phi=40 deg., cavitating).





The cutting forces with and without the wedge (Phi=40 deg., cavitating).



Phi=40 degrees, Delta=27 degrees

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The transition of cutting forces with and without the wedge.

No cavitation:

$$\alpha = 90 - \frac{2}{3} \cdot \varphi$$

Cavitation:

$$\alpha = 90 - 0.014 \cdot \phi^2$$





Questions?

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