

降雨や地震による地盤災害と地盤調査

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Role of geophysical survey in geotechnical seismic analysis

地盤の動的解析における物理探査の役割

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■ Recent geophysical survey

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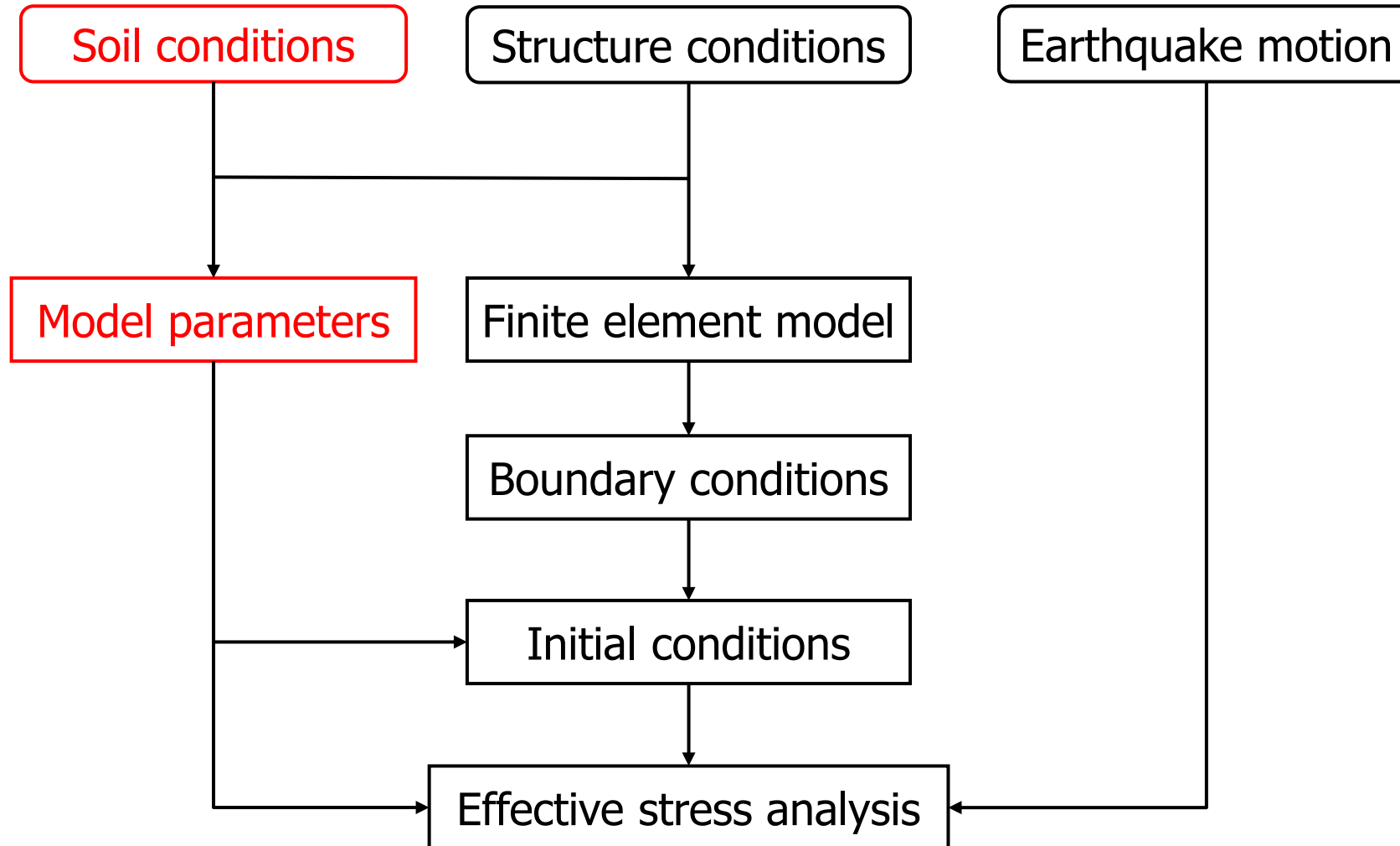
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Overview of numerical method

Soil-water-air coupled analysis

- Porous media theory at finite strain (de Boer 2000, Schrefler 2002)
 - Soil skeleton, pore water and pore air
 - Static, quasi-static and dynamic problem
- Balance equations
 - Mass and momentum balances of soil skeleton
 - Mass and momentum balances of pore water
 - Mass and momentum balances of pore air
- Constitutive models
 - Bishop's effective stress (skeleton stress)
 - Darcy flow: interaction between soil skeleton and fluid
 - Compressibility of pore water
 - Compressibility of pore air
 - Water retention curve (SWCC, WRC)
 - Constitutive model for soil skeleton
 - Cyclic elasto-plastic model, etc.
- Numerical method
 - Mixed finite element method
 - Newmark time integration

Numerical analysis flow

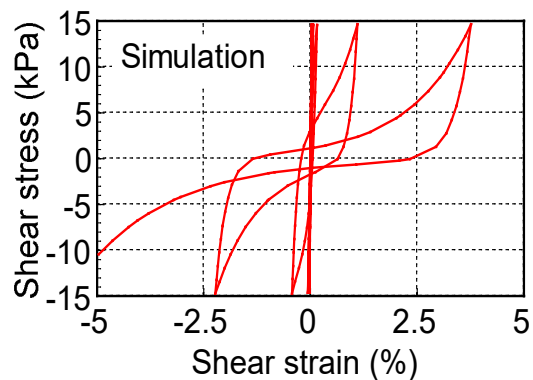
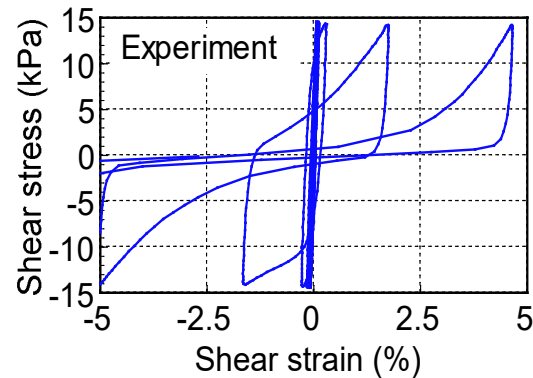


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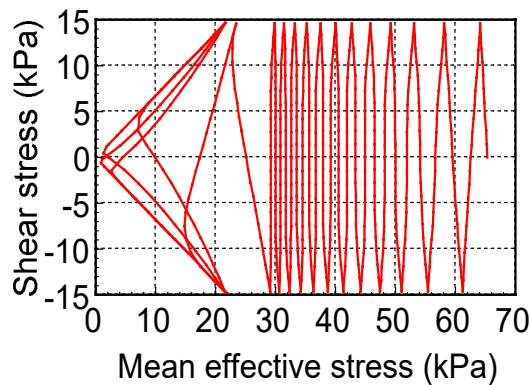
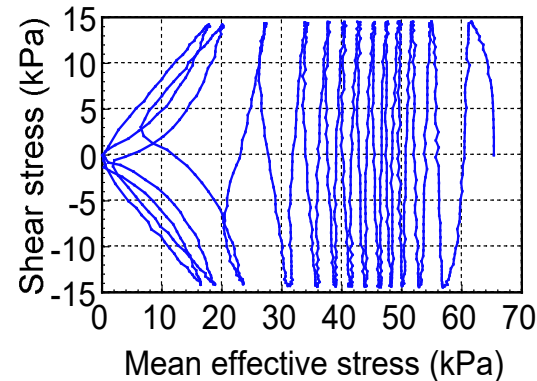
- In-situ tests
 - SPT (N-value, Soil profile, ground water)
 - PS logging (S and P wave velocity)
- Laboratory tests with disturbed samples
 - Particle size distribution test
 - Permeability test
- Laboratory tests with undisturbed samples
 - Density test
 - Consolidation test (compression and swelling indexes)
 - Shear test (friction and dilatancy angle)
 - Undrained cyclic shear test (strain-dependent shear stiffness and damping, liquefaction strength)
- When you do not have high quality undisturbed samples,
 - Give up the analysis
 - Use empirical relationship with in-situ test output

Simulation of laboratory tests

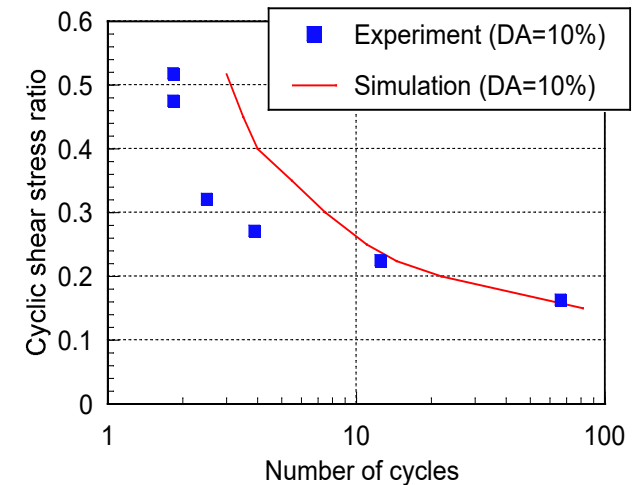
- Undrained/drained monotonic/cyclic shear tests
- Stress – strain relationship, stress path
- Strain-dependent stiffness/damping, liquefaction strength curve



(a) Shear stress - shear strain relations



(b) Effective stress paths



Liquefaction resistance by in-situ sounding

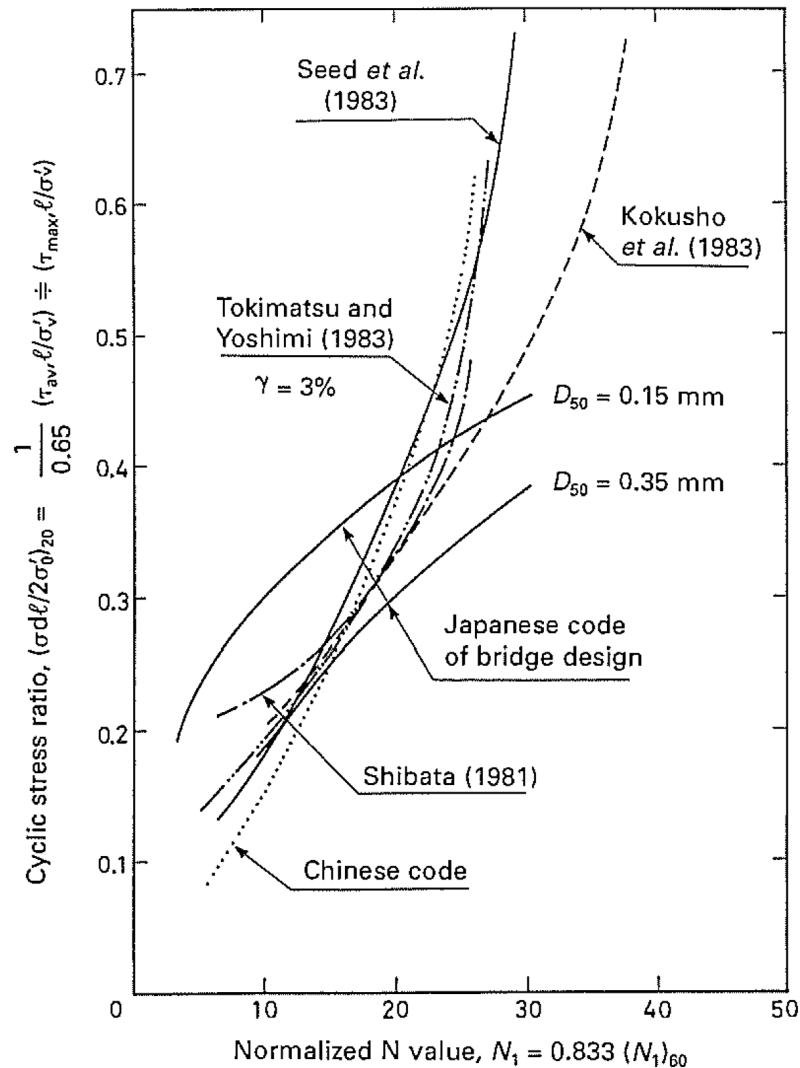


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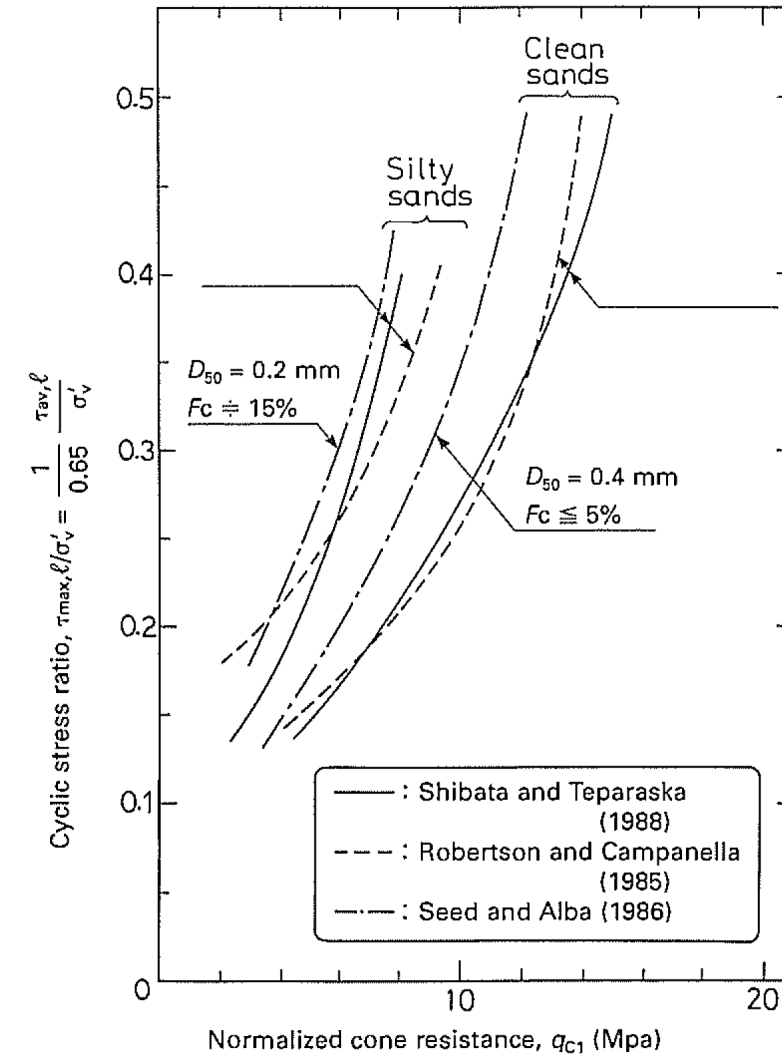


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Shear wave velocity by in-situ sounding

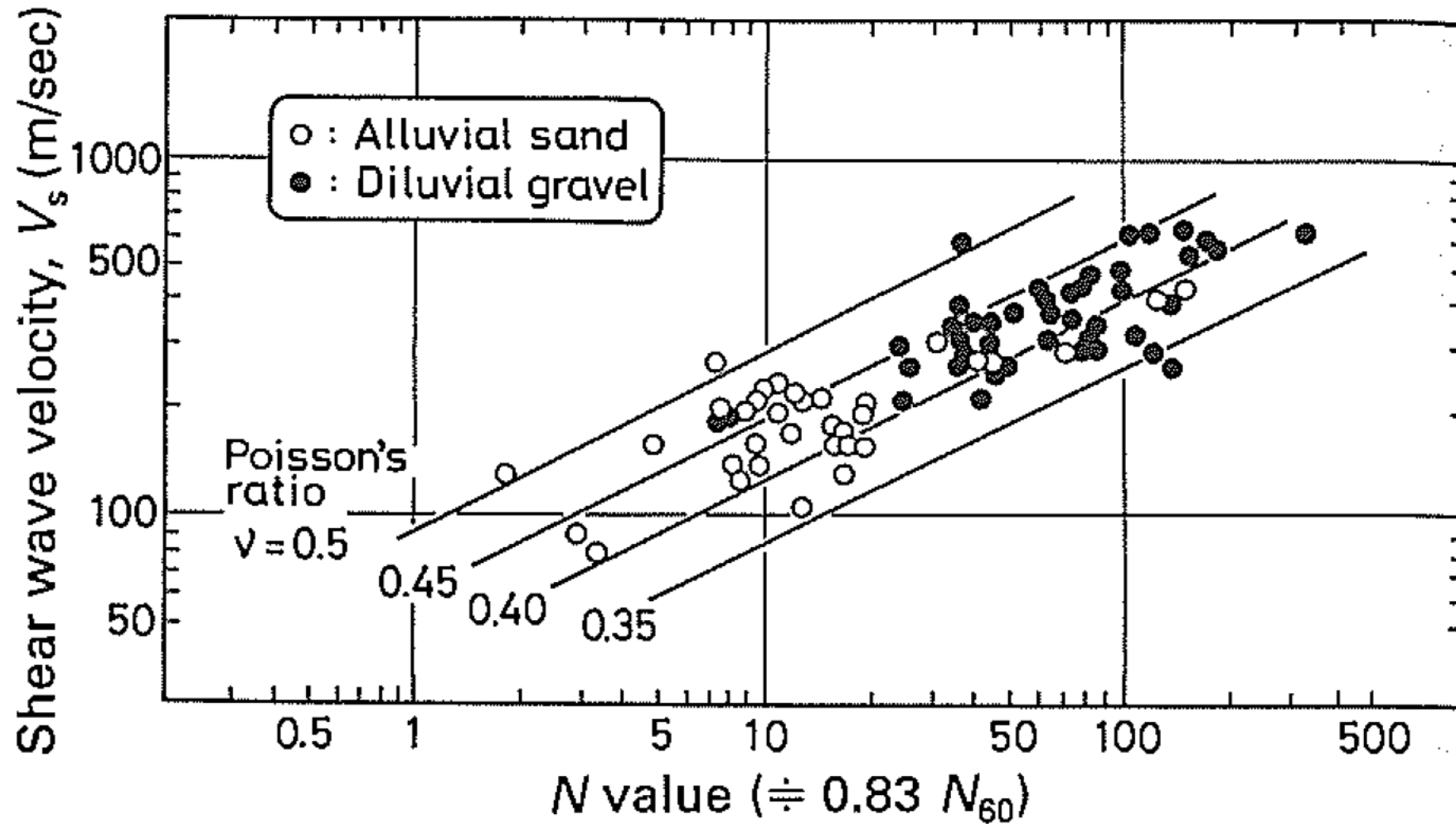


Fig. 6.32 Relation between shear wave velocity and N value of SPT (Imai and Yoshimura, 1972).

Soil dynamics

Magnitude of strain	10^{-6}	10^{-3}	10^{-1}	10^{-1}	10^{-2}	10^{-1}
Phenomena	Wave propagation, vibration		Cracks, differential settlement		Slide, compaction, liquefaction	
Mechanical characteristics	Elastic		Elasto-plastic		Failure	
Effect of Load repetition						
Effect of rate of loading						
Constants	Shear modulus, Poisson's ratio, damping				Angle of internal friction, cohesion	
In-situ measurement	Seismic wave method					
	In-situ vibration test					
	Repeated loading test					
Laboratory measurement	Wave propagation, precise test					
	Resonant column, precise test					
	Repeated loading test					

Shear wave velocity is not a very sensitive measure of liquefaction resistance.

Fig. 1.2 Variation of soil properties with strain.

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Background

The **2004 Niigata-ken Chuetsu earthquake (23rd Oct.)** caused wide-spread area damages of embankments.

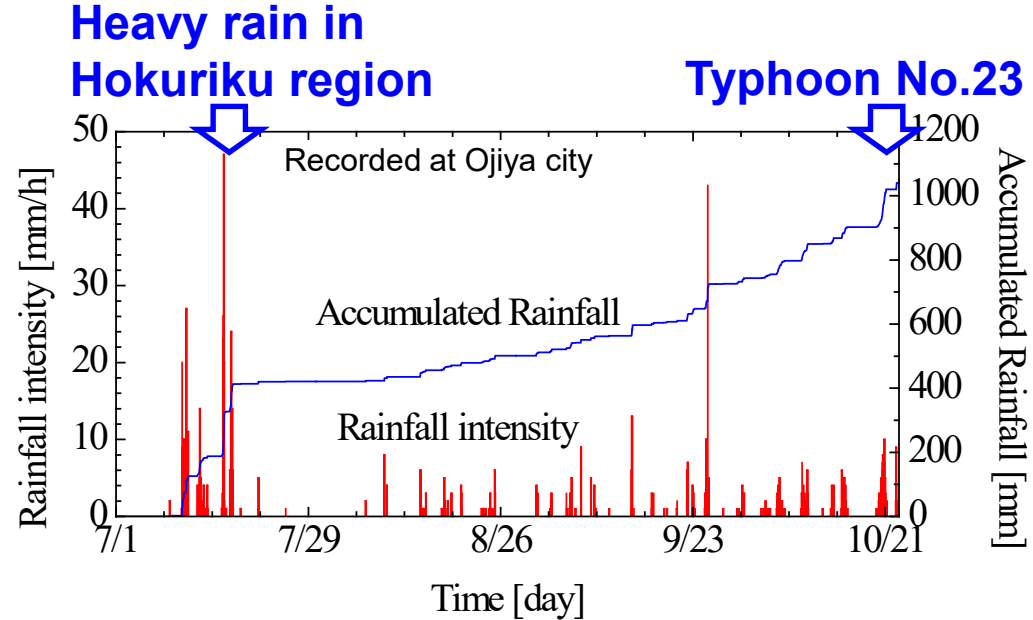


Niigata Prefecture



Purpose

- Nigata Prefecture was affected by the **rainfall** before this earthquake.



Main reason of the damages?

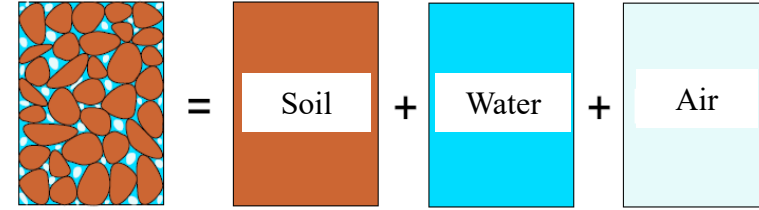
However, there are a small number of researches about seismic behavior **considering rainfall**.

Three-phase seepage-deformation coupled FE **analysis** focused on this damage was performed.

Basic function

Overall density of mixture

$$\begin{aligned}\rho &= \rho^s + \rho^w + \rho^a \\ &= (1-n)\rho^{sR} + n\{s^w\rho^{wR} + (1-s^w)\rho^{aR}\}\end{aligned}$$



Skeleton stress (e.g. Gallipol et al. 2003)

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}' = \boldsymbol{\sigma} - p^a \mathbf{I} + s^w (p^a - p^w) \mathbf{I}$$

Gallipoli, D., Gens, A., Sharma, R. and Vaunat, J.: An elasto-plastic model for unsaturated soil incorporating the effects of suction and degree of saturation on mechanical behavior, Geotechnique, Vol.53, No.1, pp.123-135, 2003.

Soil Water Characteristic Curve(Sugii et al. 2002)

$$s^w = (s_s^w - s_r^w)s_e^w + s_r^w \quad s_e^w = \left\{1 + \exp(a_{lg}p^c + b_{lg})\right\}^{-c_{lg}}$$

Sugii, T., Yamada, K. and Kondou, T. 2002. Relationship between soil-water characteristic curve and void ratio, Proceedings of International Conference, 1: 209-214.

Permeability coefficient of water and air

$$k^{ws} = k_s^w (s_e^w)^{\xi_k} \quad k^{as} = k_s^a (1 - s_e^w)^{\eta_k}$$

Constitutive model for unsaturated soil (1)

Yield function

$$f = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \|\boldsymbol{\eta} - \boldsymbol{\alpha}\| - k = 0$$

Nonlinear evolution rule

(Armstrong and Frederick, 1966)

$$\dot{\boldsymbol{\alpha}} = a \left(\frac{2}{3} b \dot{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}^p - \boldsymbol{\alpha} \dot{\epsilon}_d^p \right)$$

Armstrong. P. J. and Frederick. C.O.: A mathematical representation of the multiaxial Bauschinger effect, Technical report C.E.G.B.Report RD/B/N731, Berkeley Nuclear Laboratories, 1966.

In order to describe the large strain

a is reduced according to the value of **the equivalent plastic strain $\epsilon_d^{p(n)}$**

$$a = a_0 - \frac{(a_0 - a_1)}{1 + (a_0 - a_1) \exp(-C_f \epsilon_d^{p(n)})}$$

Constitutive model for unsaturated soil (2)

Non-associated flow rule

$$\dot{\mathbf{e}}^p = \dot{\gamma} \frac{\partial \mathbf{g}}{\partial \mathbf{s}}$$

$$\dot{\varepsilon}_v^p = D \dot{\gamma} \frac{\partial g}{\partial p}$$

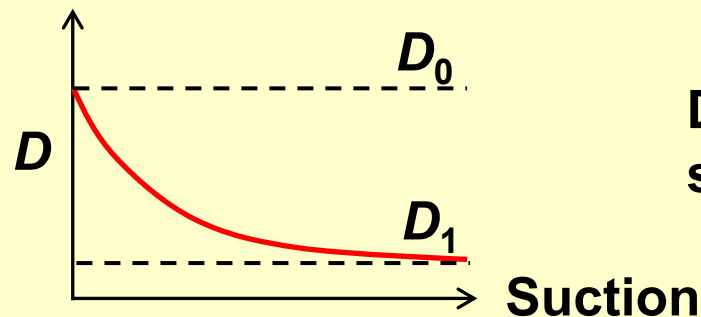
Plastic potential function

$$g = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \|\boldsymbol{\eta} - \boldsymbol{\alpha}\| + M_m \ln\left(\frac{p}{p_a}\right)$$

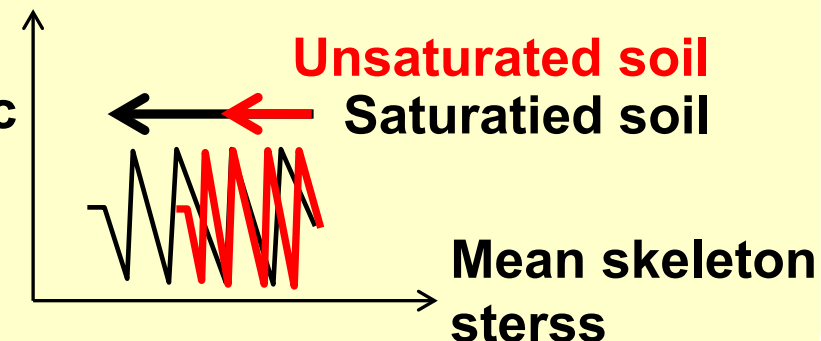
In order to describe cyclic loading of unsaturated soil

The volumetric strain ε_v^p is changed depending on the suction p^c of unsaturated soil

$$D = D_1 + (D_0 - D_1) \exp(-p^c / p_{ref}^c)$$



Deviatoric stress



Governing equations (Uzuoka and Borja, 2012)

The momentum balance equation of the overall three phase material

$$\rho \mathbf{a}^s = \text{div} \left[\boldsymbol{\sigma}' - \left\{ s^w p^w + (1 - s^w) p^a \right\} \mathbf{I} \right] + \rho \mathbf{b}$$

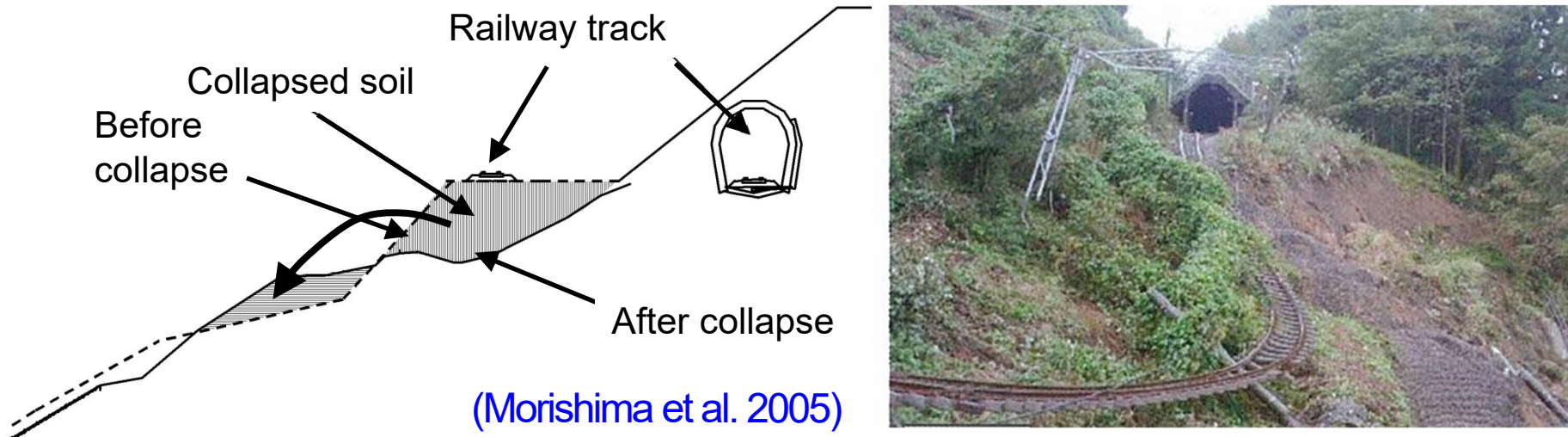
The mass and momentum balance equations of the pore water and air

$$\left(\frac{n s^w \rho^{wR}}{K^w} - n \rho^{wR} c \right) \frac{D^s p^w}{Dt} + n \rho^{wR} c \frac{D^s p^a}{Dt} + s^w \rho^{wR} \text{div} \mathbf{v}^s \\ + \text{div} \left\{ \frac{k^{ws}}{g} \left(-\text{grad} p^w + \rho^{wR} \mathbf{b}^w - \rho^{wR} \mathbf{a}^s \right) \right\} = 0$$

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Outline of damaged embankment

Embankment in vicinity Joetsu Line 220k300m



- Embankment was constructed in **a valley of the Shinano River**.
- The volume of collapsed soil was about 9,000 m³.
- The damaged area had a height of **7 m**.

Embankment material

G_s	D_{50}	U_c	F_c	ρ_d
2.629	0.134mm	11.65	23.3%	1.29g/cm³

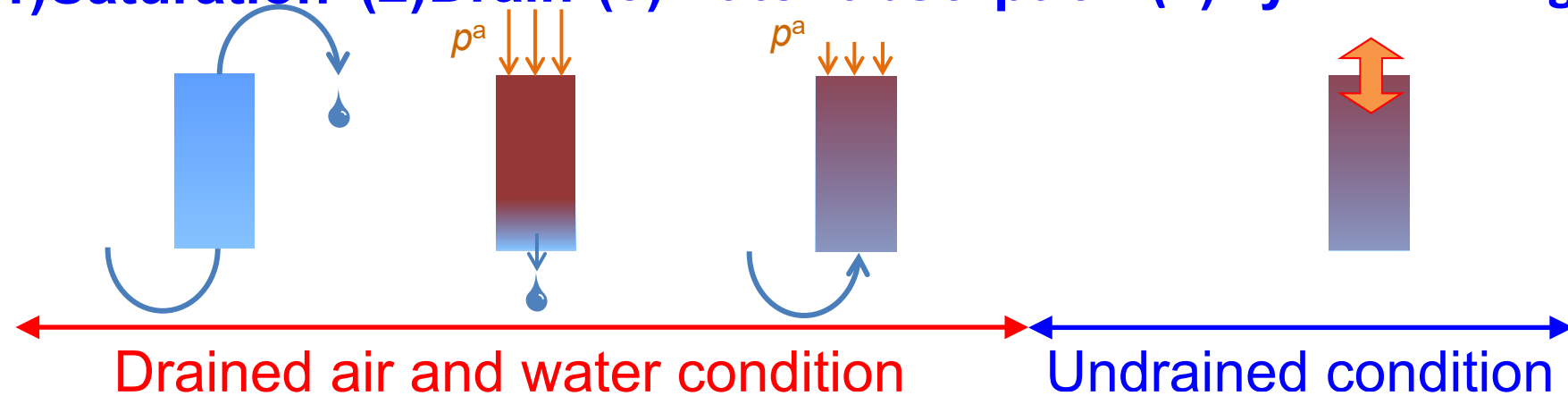
Cyclic triaxial test of embankment material

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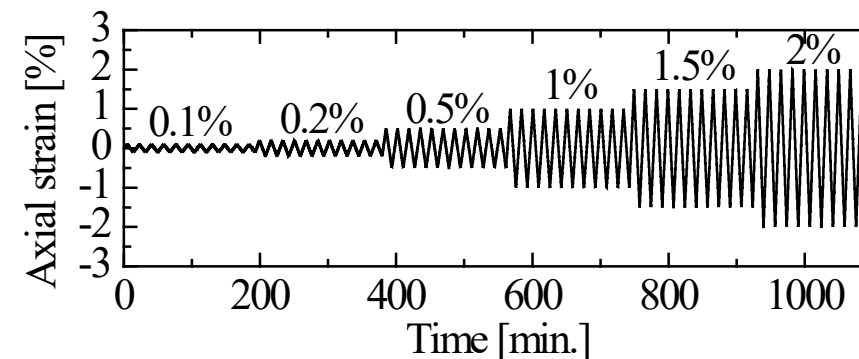
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Procedure

(1) Saturation (2) Drain (3) Water absorption (4) Cyclic loading



Input axial strain



Test cases

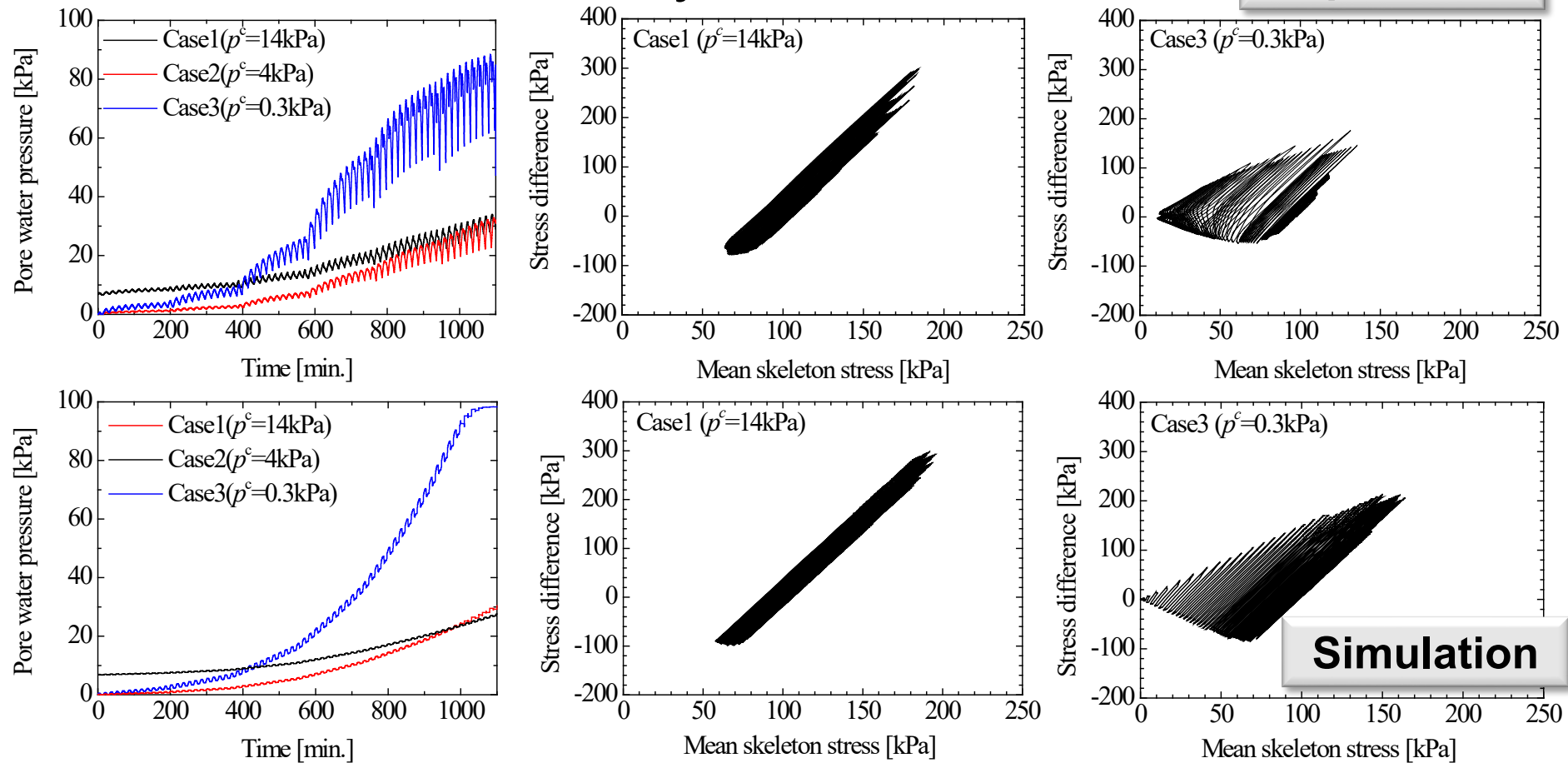
Case1: $p^c=14\text{kPa}$

Case2: $p^c=4\text{kPa}$

Case3: $p^c=0.3\text{kPa}$

Cyclic triaxial test of embankment material

The parameters of embankment material were determined from the simulations of cyclic triaxial test.



The simulations could reproduce the experiments well.

Steps of numerical simulations

Case 1

Case 2 and 3

Initial stress analysis

Seepage analysis (1)

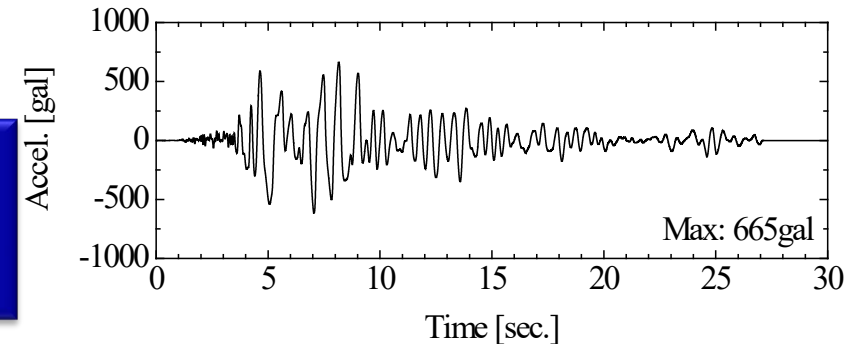
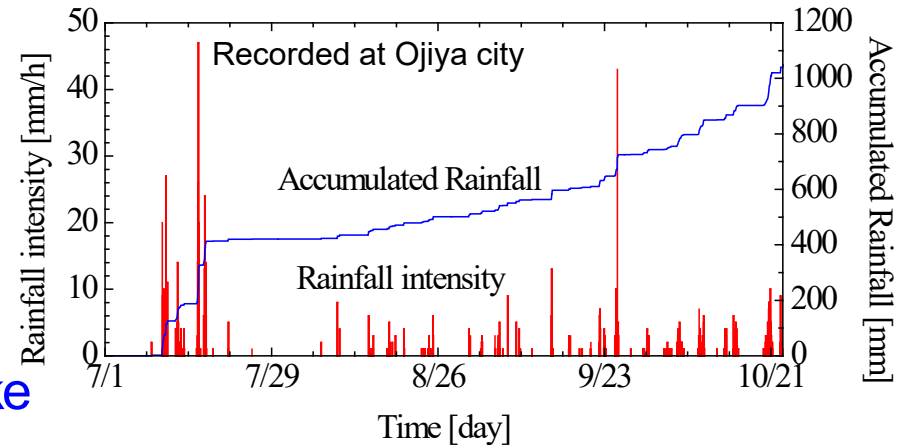
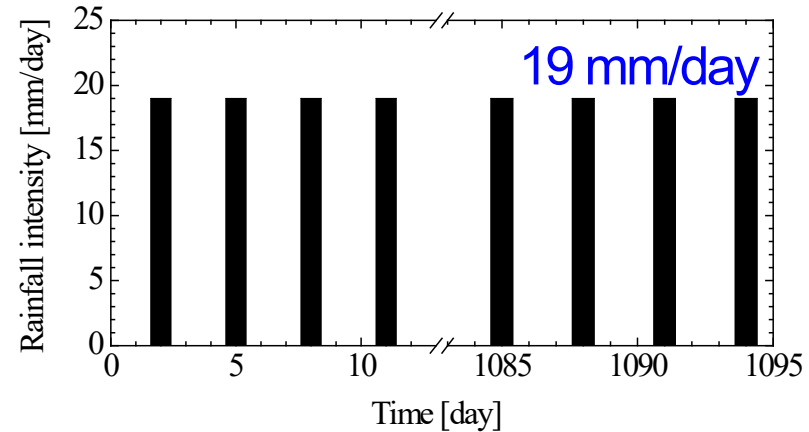
Annual rainfall

Seepage analysis (2)

Observed rainfall
before earthquake

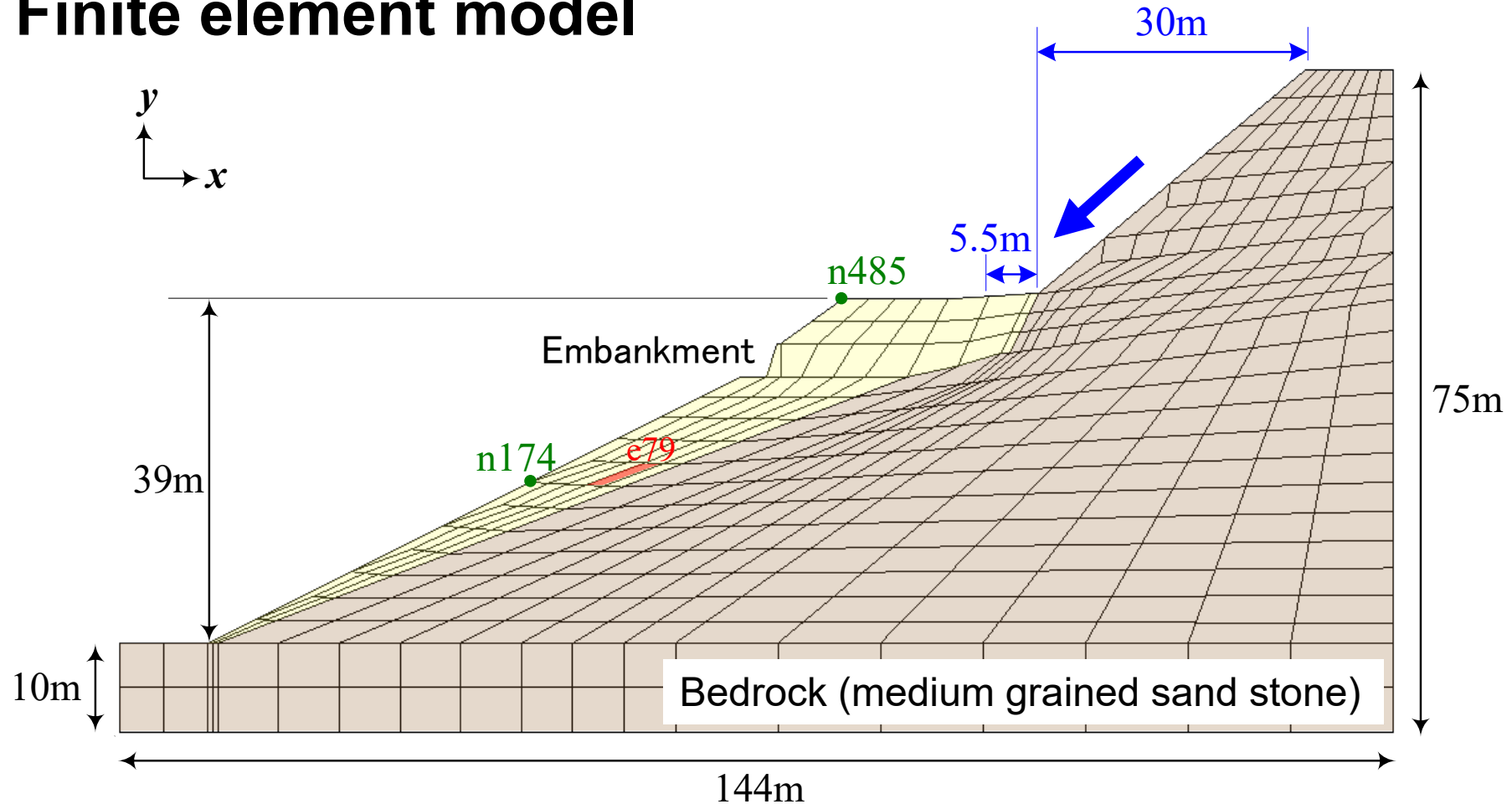
Dynamic response analysis

**Estimate influence of
rainfall to seismic resistance**



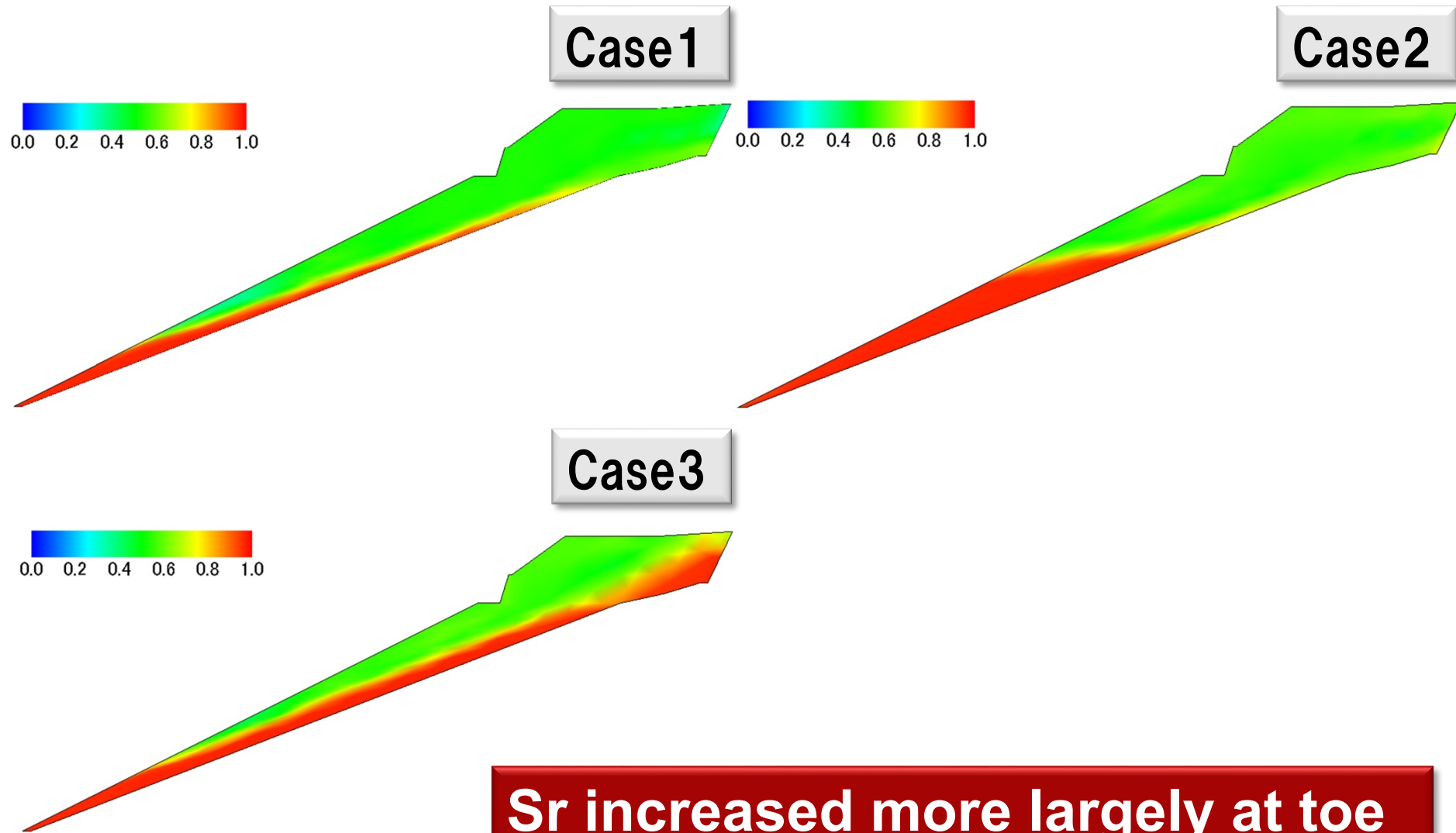
Analytical conditions

Finite element model



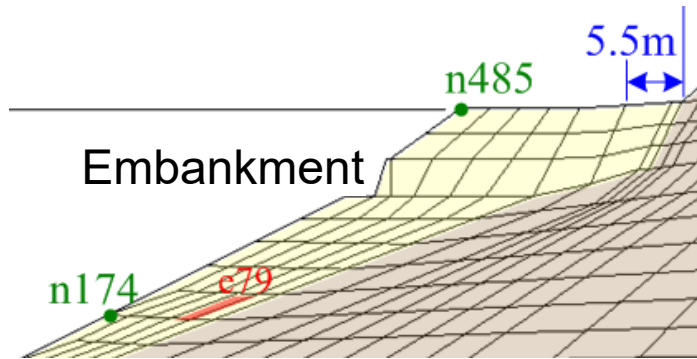
In Case 3, rainfall poured on slope surface above embankment seeped into embankment.

Degree of saturation before earthquake

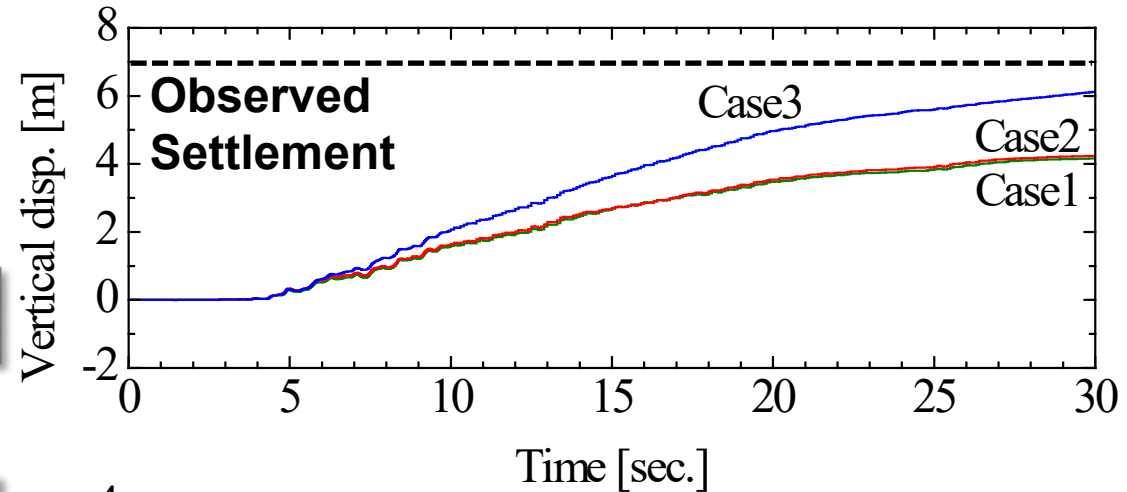


Sr increased more largely at toe in Case 2 and at top in Case 3.

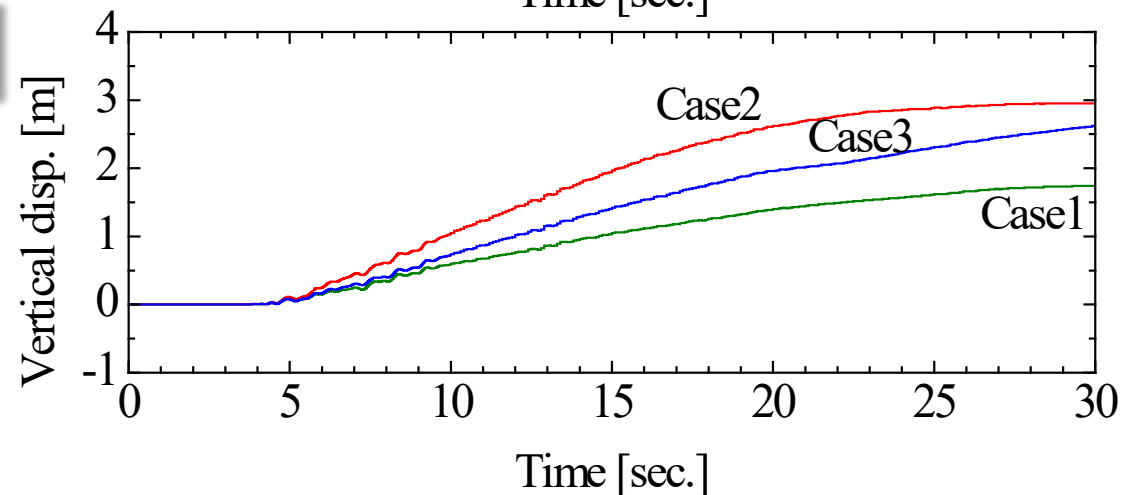
Time histories of vertical displacement



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n174



Larger displacement was obtained in Case 2 and 3.

Simulated disp. in Case 3 almost coincided with observed.

Conclusions

Three-phase seepage-deformation coupled analysis focused on damage in the 2004 Niigata-ken Chuetsu earthquake was performed.

By applying the rainfall before the earthquake,

- Degree of saturation increased more widely.
- Dynamic response analysis showed larger deformation and coincidence with measured.
- Liquefaction would occur in embankment and cause large strain.

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1.3 Objectives and methods

The study of **slope response to post-shaking rainfall** is lacking but highly demanded.

Objectives

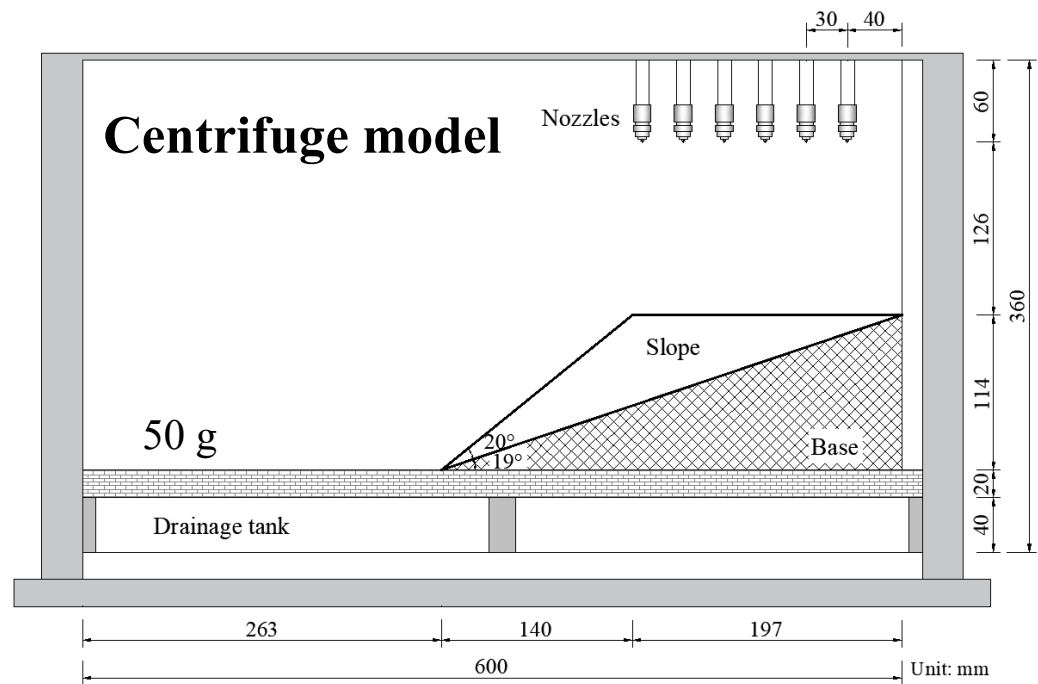
1. To examine slope's performance under **different external conditions** (rainfall; shaking and rainfall);
2. To evaluate the effect of **shaking-induced cracks** on the seepage and deformation of slope during the subsequent rainfall;
3. To evaluate the effect of **shaking intensity and rainfall intensity** on landslide kinematics;
4. To propose a method used for **FEM modeling** of slope response to post-shaking rainfall.

Methods

1. Centrifuge modeling
2. Numerical simulation

Today only centrifuge modelling is presented here.

2 Centrifuge model tests



Program

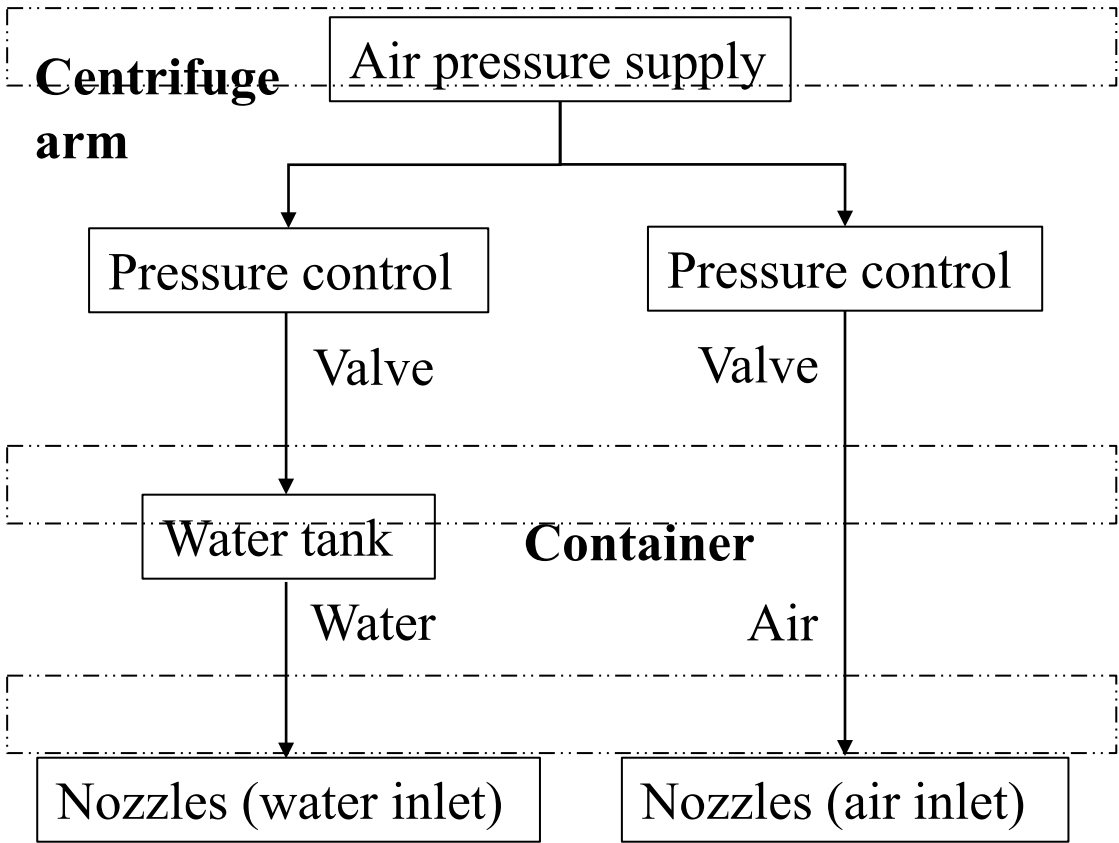
Test	Condition	Shaking intensity	Rainfall intensity
A1	Only rainfall	None	30 mm/h
A2	Shaking and rainfall	4.6 m/s ²	30 mm/h
A3	Repeatability of test A2	4.6 m/s ²	30 mm/h
B1	Only rainfall	None	9 mm/h
B2	Shaking and rainfall	4.6 m/s ²	9 mm/h
B3	Repeatability of test B2	4.6 m/s ²	9 mm/h
C1	Rainfall, shaking, and rainfall	4.6 m/s ²	9 mm/h
C2	Rainfall, shaking, and rainfall	3.0 m/s ²	9 mm/h

Soil information

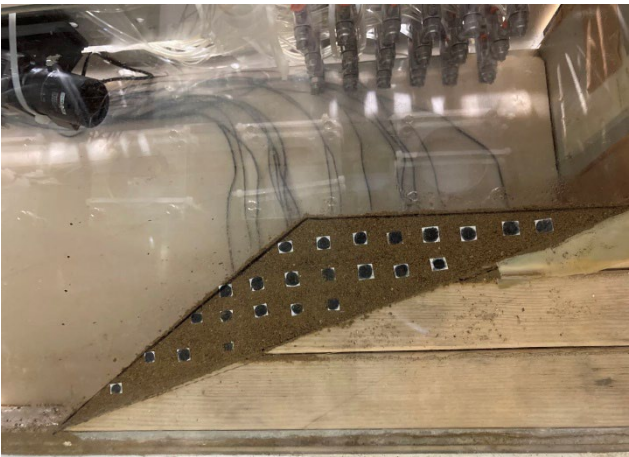
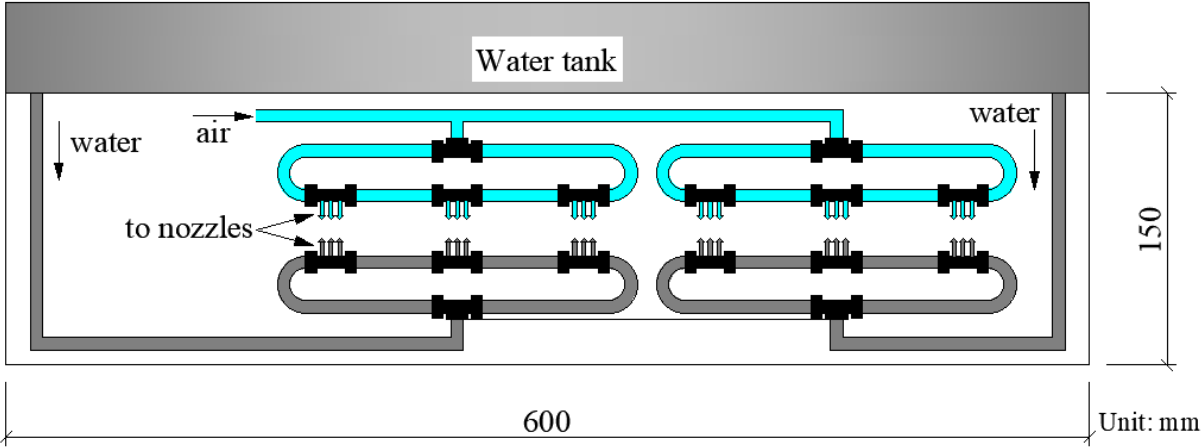
Property	Value	Property	Value
Dry density	1.50 g/cm ³	Saturation	0.35
Relative density	85 %	Permeability	4.4 mm/h (1.2E-6 m/s)
Void ratio	0.75		

2 Centrifuge model tests

Rainfall simulator



Top view of container



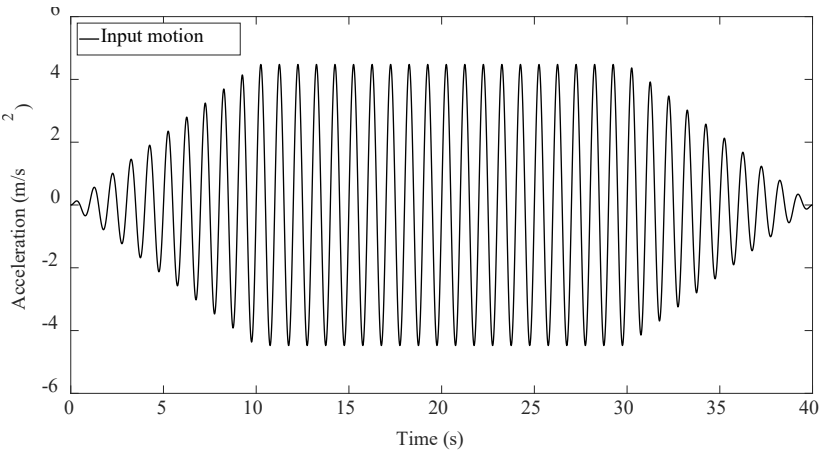
Slope model inside container

Calibration was conducted to achieve uniform rainfall

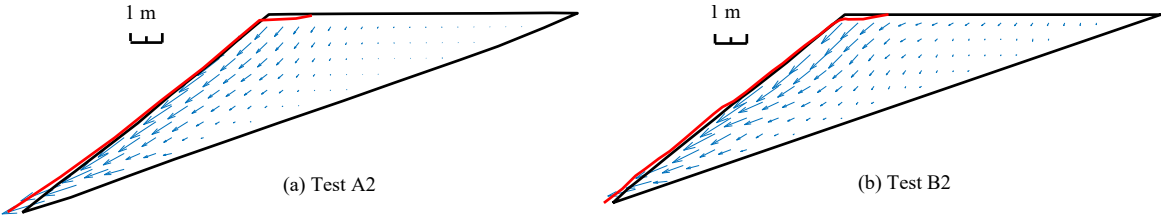
2.2 Response of slopes to shaking

Test	Shaking intensity	Rainfall intensity	Condition
A2	4.6 m/s ²	30 mm/h	Shaking and rainfall
B2	4.6 m/s ²	9 mm/h	Shaking and rainfall

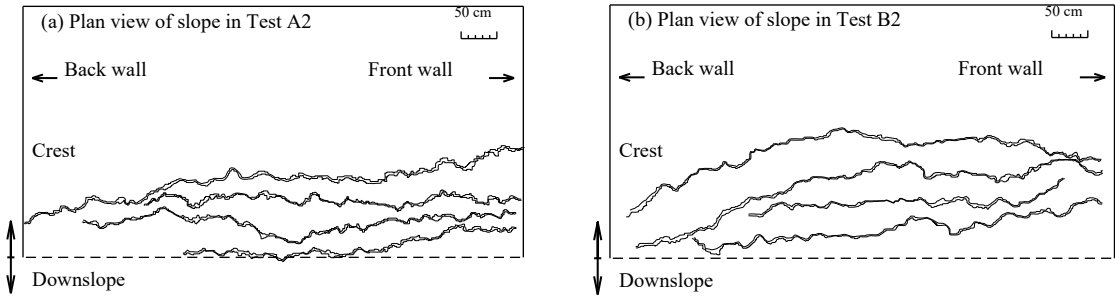
Sinusoidal input wave (1 Hz, 40 s)



● Displacement vectors



● Top view of slope crest

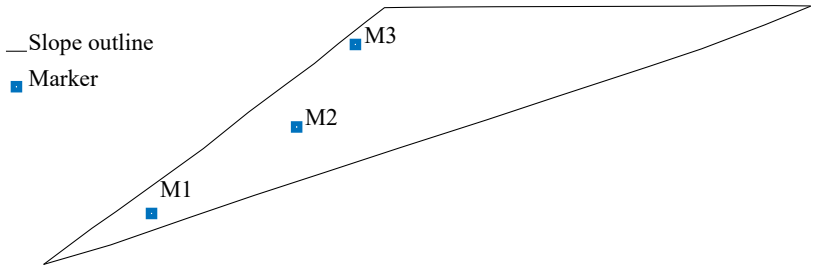
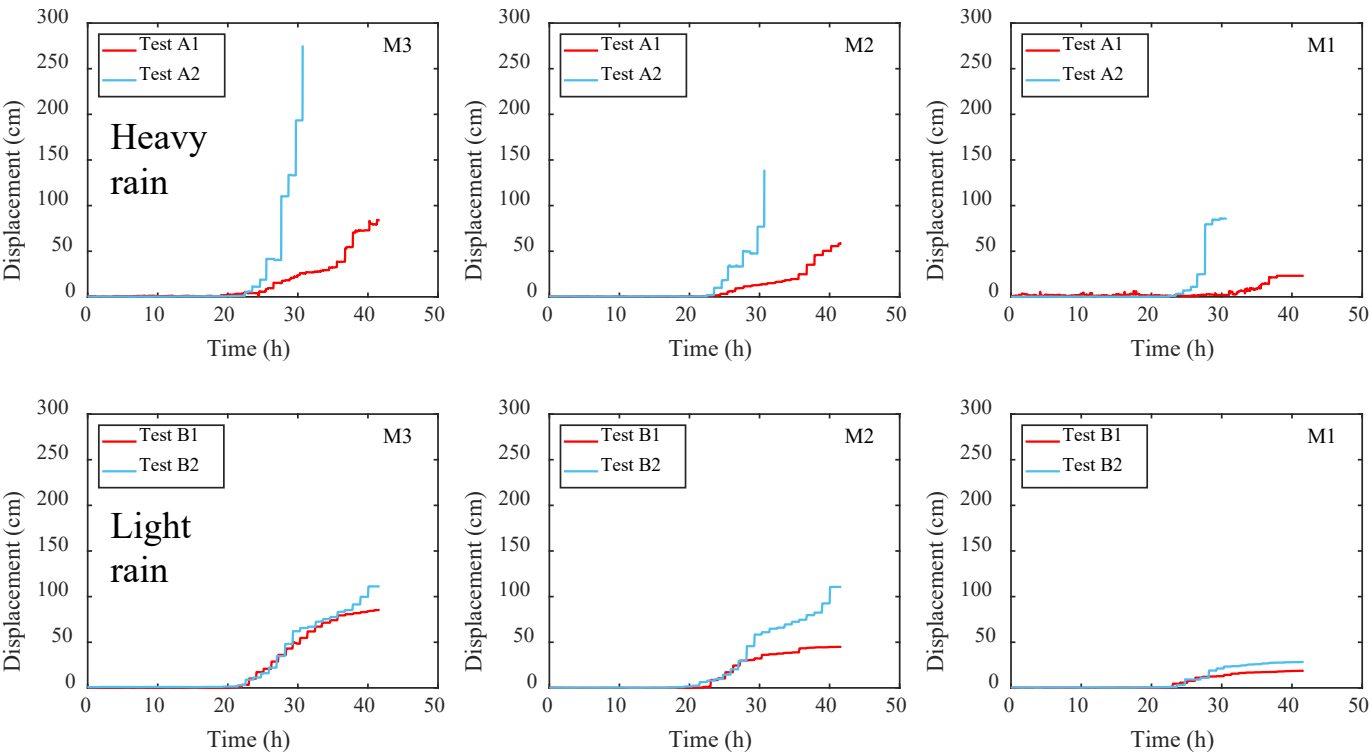


➤ Displacement discontinuity caused cracks near slope shoulder

2.3 Response of slopes to rainfall

Test	Shaking intensity	Rainfall intensity	Condition
A1	None	30 mm/h	Rainfall
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B1	None	9 mm/h	Rainfall
B2	4.6 m/s ²	9 mm/h	Shaking and rainfall

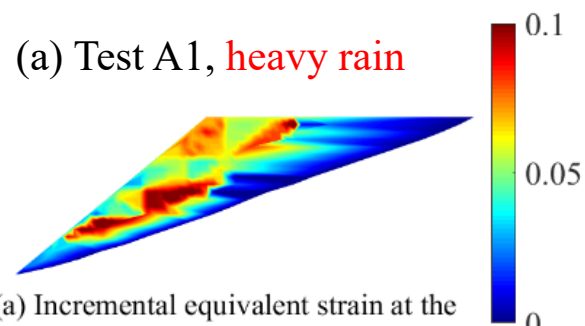
● Soil displacement during rainfall



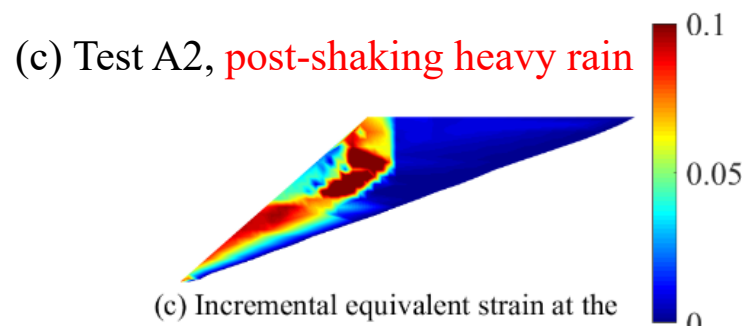
➤ Heavy rainfall accelerated the failure of slope with cracks

2.3 Response of slopes to rainfall

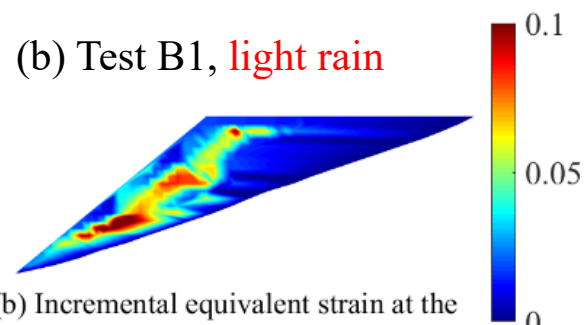
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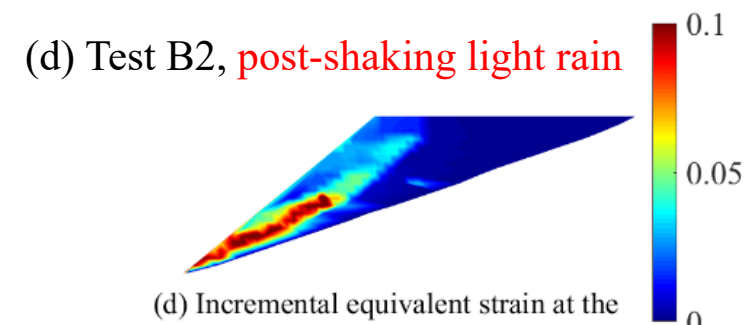
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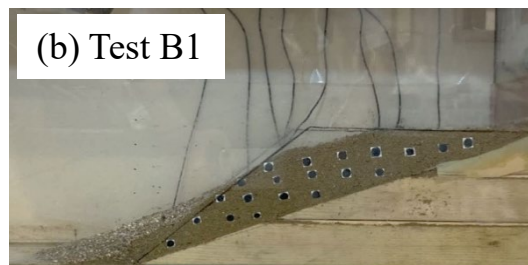
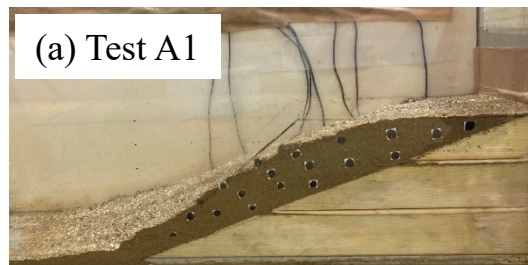


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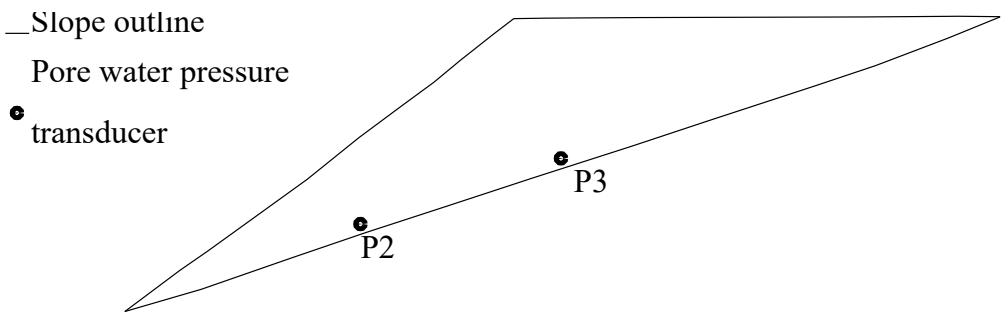
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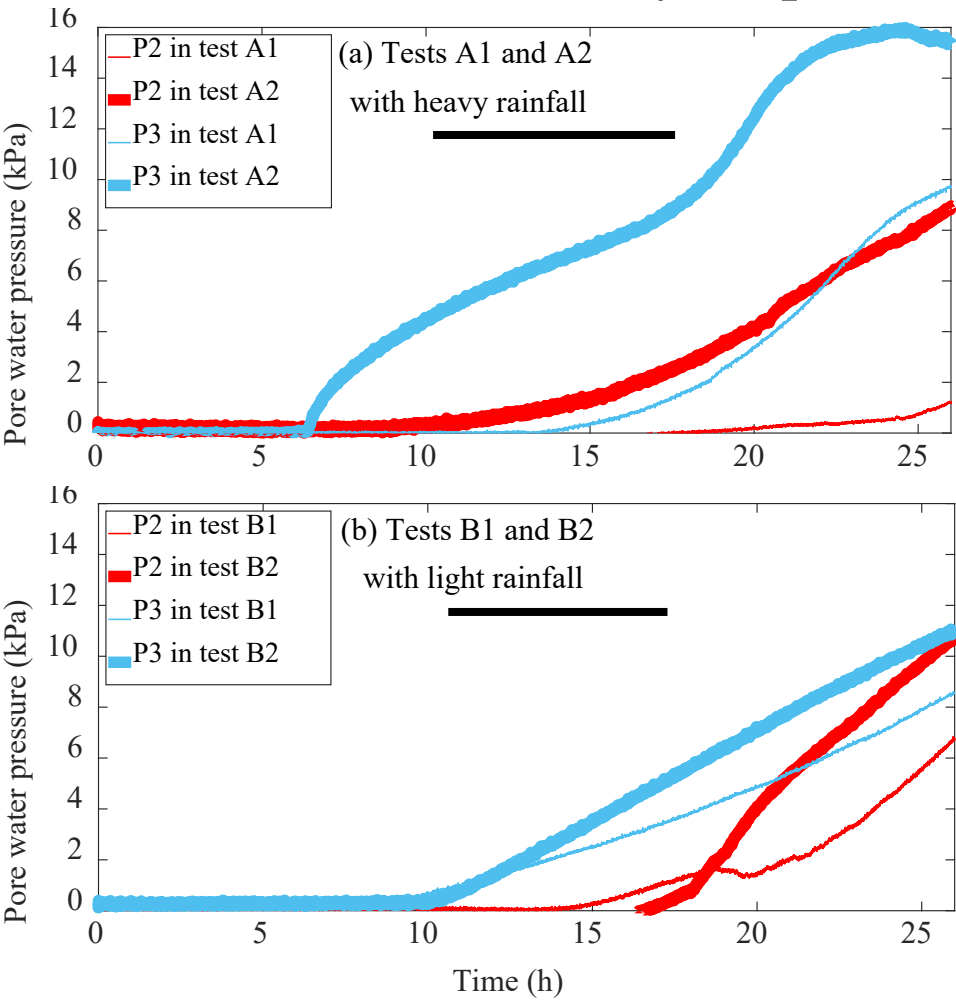
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2.3 Response of slopes to rainfall

Test	Shaking intensity	Rainfall intensity	Condition
A1	None	30 mm/h	Rainfall
A2	4.6 m/s ²	30 mm/h	Shaking and rainfall
B1	None	9 mm/h	Rainfall
B2	4.6 m/s ²	9 mm/h	Shaking and rainfall



● Effect of rainfall intensity on preferential flow



➤ Preferential flow due to cracks was evident during heavy rainfall

4 Conclusions

Experiments

1. Once shaking caused cracks on the slope surface, the pattern and severity of the slope failure caused by the following rainfall became different, compared with the slope subject to only rainfall.
2. Shaking-induced cracks changed landslide features during rainfall and heavy rainfall accelerated the failure of slope with cracks.
3. The effect of cracks on preferential flow depended on the rainfall intensity.

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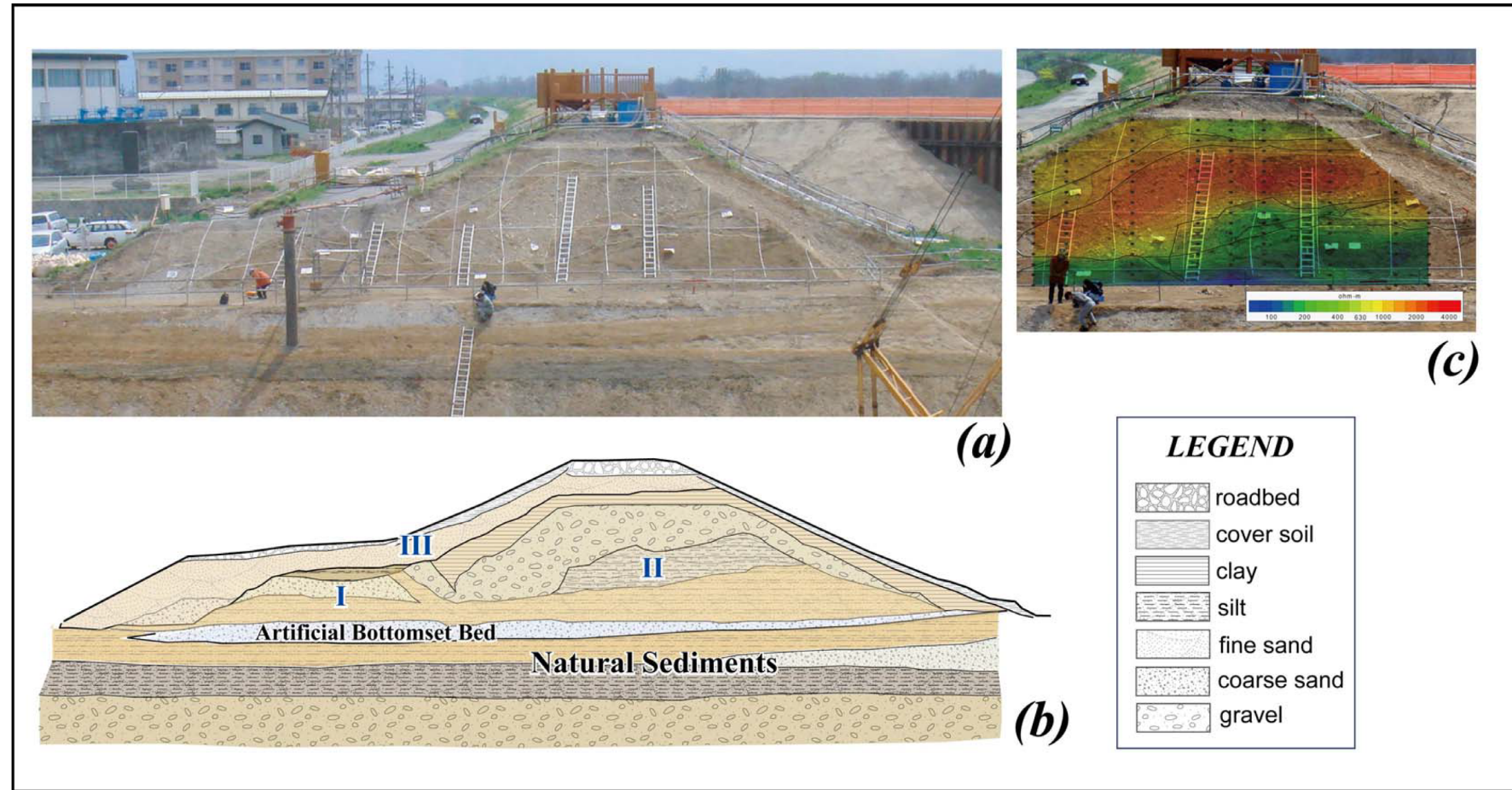


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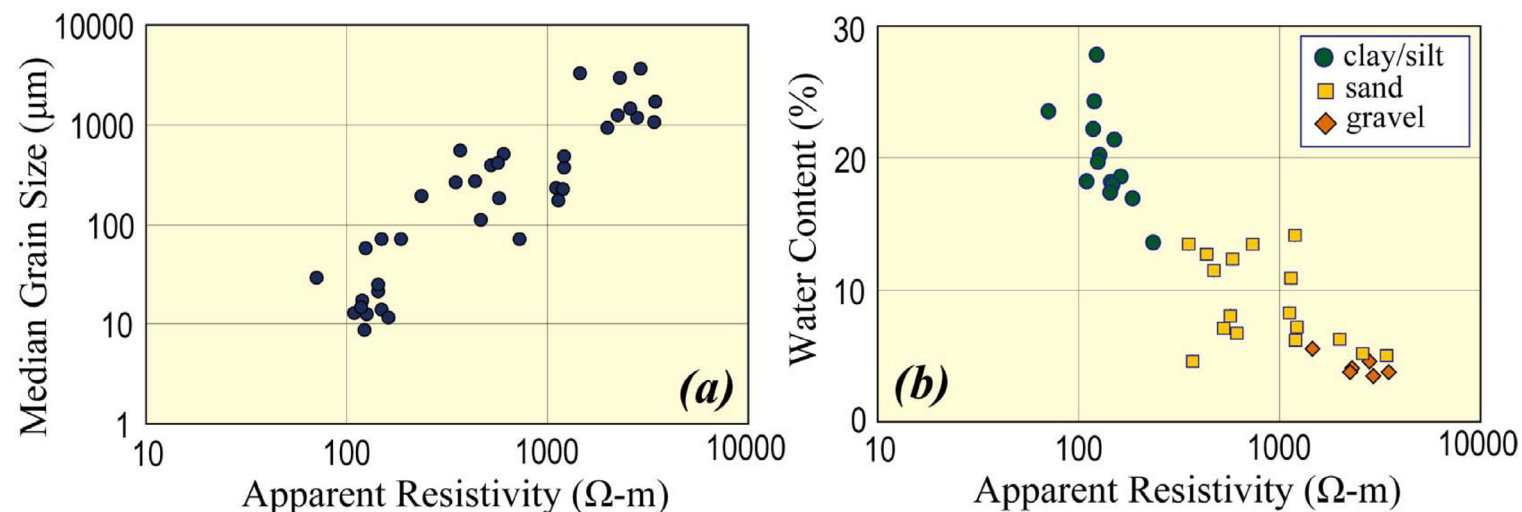


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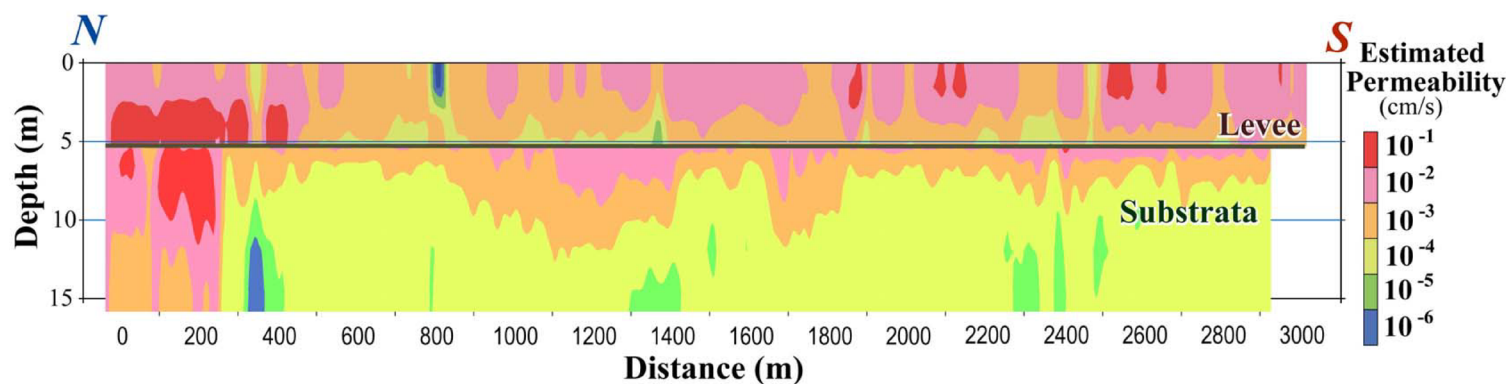


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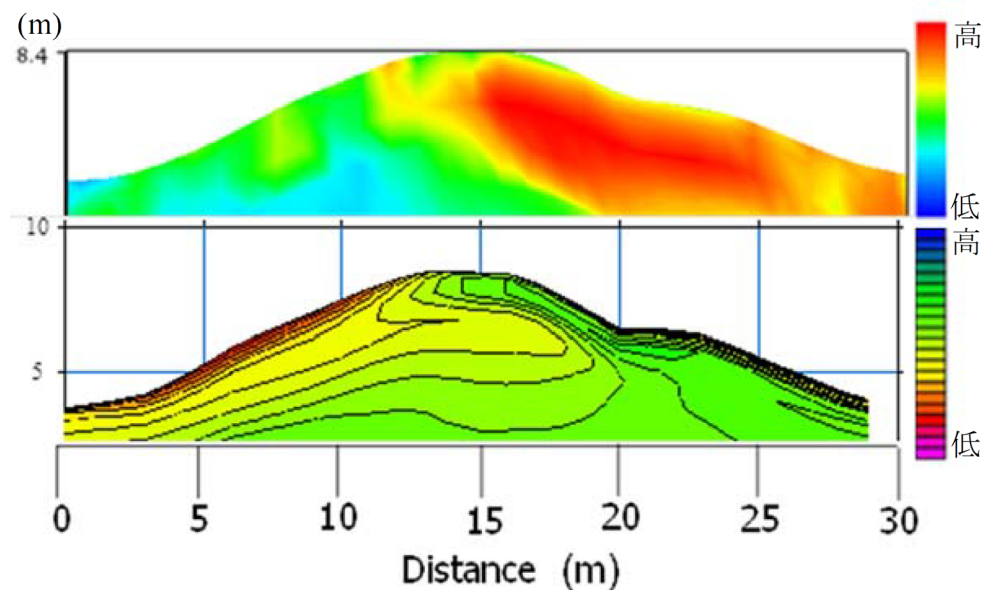


図2 調査で得られた比抵抗(上)と S 波速度断面(下)
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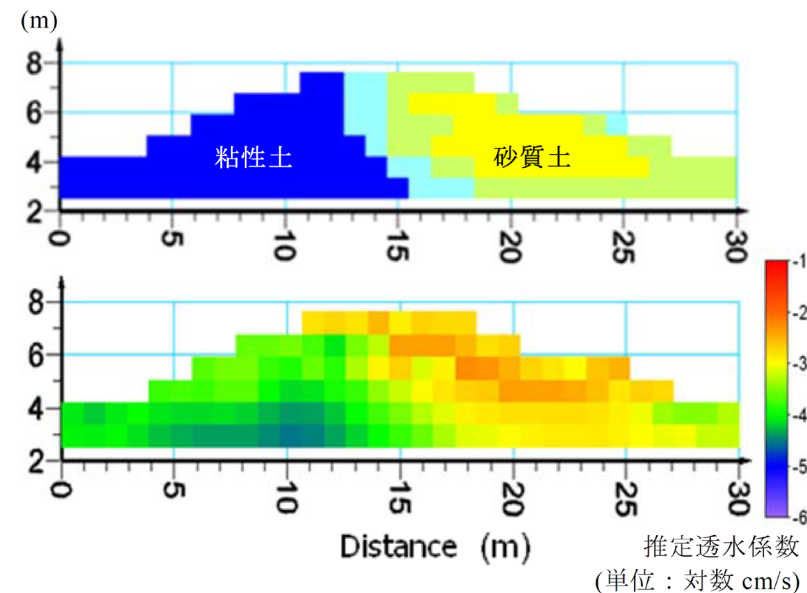


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Fig.3 Estimated Soil (upper) and permeability profiles(bottom)

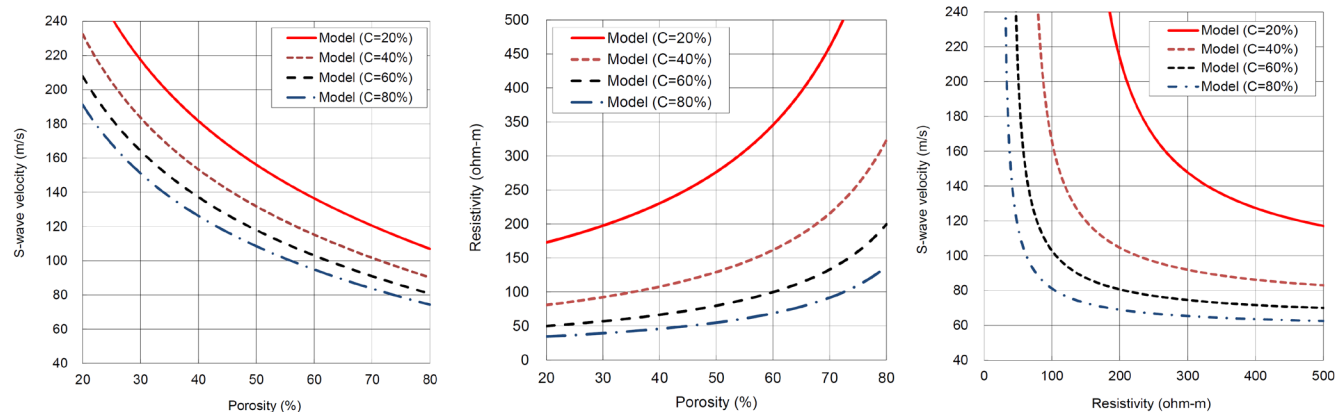


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(Takahashi et al. 2018)

Modelling time-lapse shear-wave velocity changes

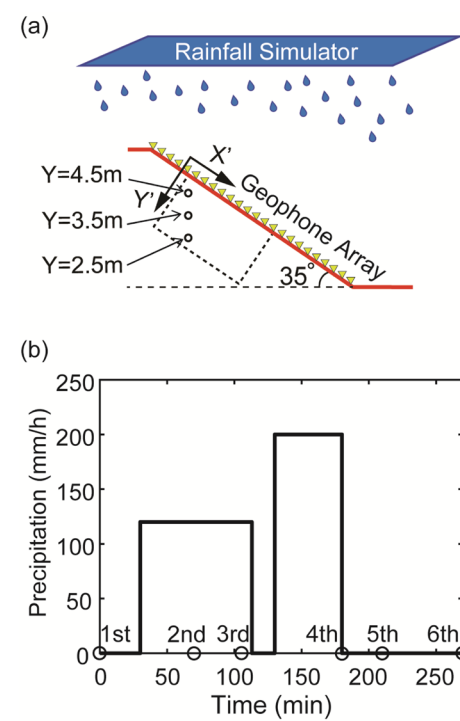


Figure 6: (a) Cross-section of the field-scale test embankment and the location of the fixed geophone array. Small open circle are the locations where the temporal changes are monitored (from time-lapse surface wave dispersion data) and shown in Figure 8(a). Dashed rectangle shows the spatial range of the V_S distribution shown in Figure 8(b). (b) The time series of rainfall in this field-scale measurement. Seismic surface wave measurements are made at the time shown by open circles in (b).

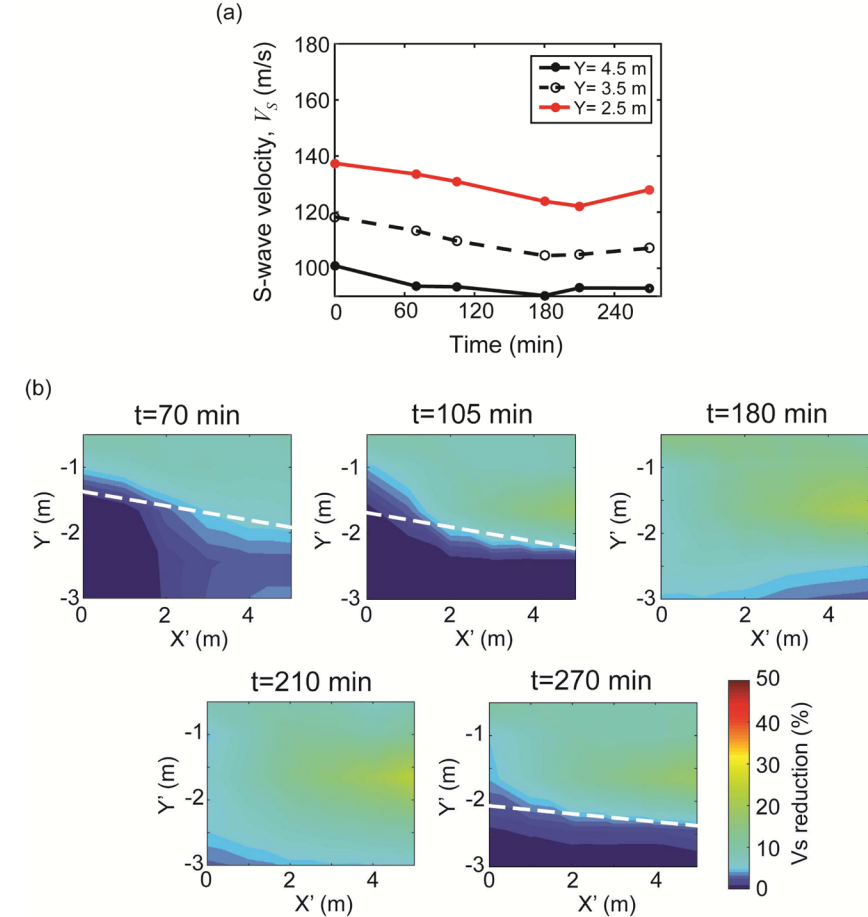


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$$R(\%) = \frac{V_S(t=0) - V_S(t)}{V_S(t=0)} \times 100.$$

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