Integrated Ground Behavior

Part A: Particle-level Phenomena & Macroscale Behavior (J. Carlos Santamarina)

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Ionic concentration pH= 7 *_acid* basic, ⁶ OH[−] H+ igodolHCI 🍐 🍃 NaOH

Minerals

OH-

O=

montmorillonite



kaolin

Al octa

Si tetra



MDL / www.soils.wisc.edu/virtual_museum/index.html

Diffuse double layer



bulk electrolyte

Mixed fluid phase



Interacting menisci:





θ non-constant



Particle Forces		#200		
Skeletal	$\underline{N} = \sigma' d^2$			
Weight	W = $(\pi G_s \gamma_w / 6) d^3$		skeletal & weight (Terzaghi)	
Buoyant	$\mathbf{U} = (\pi \gamma_{\rm w} / 6) \mathbf{d}^3$		(101_0.g)	
Hydrodyn.	$F_{drag} = 3\pi\mu v d$	fines detach	→ coarse v↑	
Capillary	$F_{cap} = \pi T_s d$	capillary		
El. attraction	$Att = \frac{A_h}{24t^2} d$	electrical		
El. repulsion	$\operatorname{Re} p = \frac{24\sqrt{c_o}}{10000} e^{-10^8 t \sqrt{c_o}} d$			
Cementation	$T = \pi \sigma_{ten} t d$	μ m	mm	
		diameter d		

Size and Surface - Surface Phenomena



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Fines migration and bridge formation



D/d=2.4



D/d=6.5



Pore size / d_{fines}

Particle Shape



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Fabric map

kaolinite



Stern potential and R_{DL} decrease van der Waals attraction prevails

Clay minerals – Differences



different faces different from edge edge contribution charge change ζ / particle thickness hiding edge DL

Coarse particles: relative size



D/d=1.37



D/d=5.3

random packing:



volume fraction of small particles

and...

Relative size and shape



Platy particles: bridging





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Small-strain stiffness: Contact-controlled

coarse grains



(Frocht, 1941)

 $V_{\rm S} = \alpha \left(\frac{\sigma'}{kP_{\rm a}}\right)^{\beta = \frac{1}{6}}$

fine grains



(N. Skipper - UCL 2002)

$$V_{s} = \alpha \left(\frac{\sigma'}{kP_{a}}\right)^{\beta < \frac{3}{4}}$$

Stiffness-Stress: contact behavior & fabric changes



Stiffness: platy particles





β**= 0.36 -** α/700



Particle shape effects

Drying – Unsaturated media



Degree of saturation S

Stress change and cementation

Load (no unloading)

Unload and reload



Strain regimes

	Small Strain	Large Strain
Deformation	at contacts	fabric changes
Stiffness	maximum	decreases
Losses	very low	large - frictional
Volume Change	minimal	potentially large
Diagenetic effects	potentially high	small in drained shear
Fabric	constant	changes towards CS
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Threshold strains - Ranges





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Stress-dependent strength and ϵ_{vol}

Chain buckling: coordination↑



Rotational frustration: coordination↓







Effect of roundness on Φ_{cv}



Evolution of internal micro-scale – 3D



Constant angle of repose?





Narsilio, Dodds, Fugle, Trott, Kim, Yun

Anisotropy in ϕ - Clays



Undrained strength anisotropy

Controlled by the generation of pore pressure

- chain buckling and skeletal stiffness
- spatial variability of e





pore size (in log scale)

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- threshold strain



Mayne and Holtz 1985

Undrained strength anisotropy

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- fabric anisotropy



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Vaid and Sivathayalan 1996

Scales





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			C _u >4, 1≤C _c ≤3	GW
COARSE	Gravel: > 50% retained sieve #4	< 5% fines	else	GP
			Below 'A' line	GM
		> 12% fines	Above 'A' line	GC
> 50%			C _u >6, 1≤C _c ≤3	SW
retained sieve #200	Sand:	< 5% fines	else …	SP
	< 50% retained	porosity	Below 'A' line	SM
sieve #4		> 12% fines	Above 'A' line	SC
FINE < 50% retained sieve #200	LL<50	60 minor	A line	ML
		$\frac{\times}{9}$ ⁵⁰	re fluid	
			СН	OL
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			Above 'A' line	SC
inherent anisotropy				ML
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