

A simplified nonlinear calculation method to describe the settlement of pre-bored grouting planted nodular piles

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The pre-bored grouting planted nodular pile



Pile-soil interface shear test



Shear test apparatus



Failure surface of the shear test

• The failure occurred just at the contact surface between the concrete and cemented soil.

• Abrupt failure occurred when the friction reached the ultimate value.



Algorithm for the behavior of a single pile



Assumed linear model for the concrete-cemented soil interface

Assumed hyperbolic nonlinear model for the cemented soil-soil interface

• The values of the parameters in the adopted models were all determined based on the field and model test results.



Algorithm for the behavior of a single pile



• The PGPN pile is divided into (m_1+m_2) segments. The PGPN pile shaft which contains the pipe pile is divided into m_1 segments, and the shaft which contains the nodular pile is divided into m_2 segments.

• The precast pile-cemented soil interface and the cemented soil-soil interface were both considered in the proposed simplified analytical approach.

• The changing pile shaft modulus along the shaft and the existence of the enlarged cemented soil base are also considered in the approach.





Conclusions

• The proposed approach is efficient and suitable for the analysis of a single PGPN pile embedded in layered soils by considering the influence of cement paste injection, the varying pile shaft modulus and the existence of the enlarged pile base.

• Based on the calculated results, the enlarged cemented soil base is considered to be effective in promoting the behavior of a short PGPN pile, and an increase in the diameter of cemented soil is efficient in promoting the compressive bearing capacity of a long PGPN pile.

• The proposed simplified approach can also be used for the analysis of similar precast pile-cemented soil composite piles which have two interfaces of the pile shaft.

