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Modelling plastic anisotropy and destructuration – S-CLAY1 and S-CLAY1S models

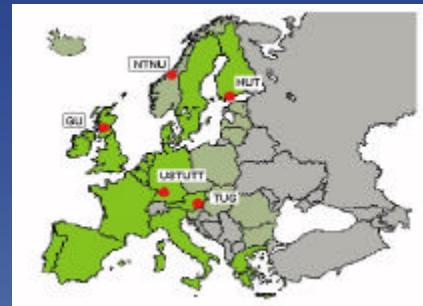
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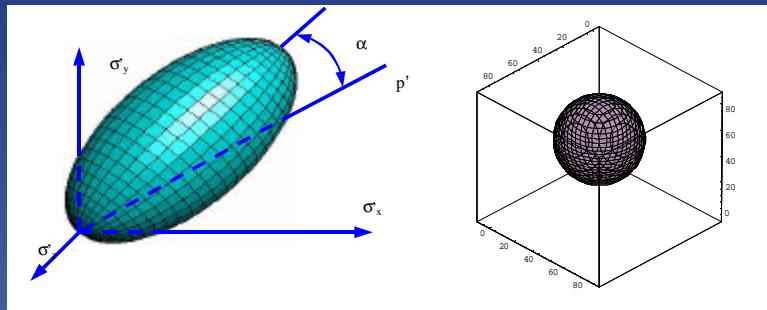
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Layout of the presentation

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- Numerical examples
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- Conclusions
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S-CLAY1 model



$$F = \frac{3}{2} \left[[\underline{\sigma}_d - p' \underline{\alpha}_d]^T \{ \underline{\sigma}_d - p' \underline{\alpha}_d \} \right] - \left[M^2 - \frac{3}{2} \{ \underline{\alpha}_d \}^T \{ \underline{\alpha}_d \} \right] [p'_m - p'] p' = 0$$

Definitions:

Deviatoric stress vector

$$\underline{\sigma}_d = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma'_x - p' \\ \sigma'_y - p' \\ \sigma'_z - p' \\ \sqrt{2}\tau_{xy} \\ \sqrt{2}\tau_{yz} \\ \sqrt{2}\tau_{zx} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$p' = \frac{\sigma'_x + \sigma'_y + \sigma'_z}{3}$$

**Deviatoric fabric tensor
(in vector form)**

$$\underline{\alpha}_d = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_x - 1 \\ \alpha_y - 1 \\ \alpha_z - 1 \\ \sqrt{2}\alpha_{xy} \\ \sqrt{2}\alpha_{yz} \\ \sqrt{2}\alpha_{zx} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{\alpha_x + \alpha_y + \alpha_z}{3} = 1$$

S-CLAY1: Hardening laws

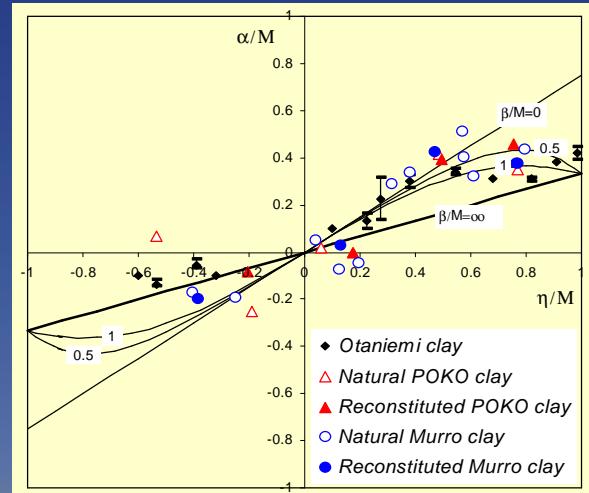
Hardening law controlling the size of the yield surface:

$$dp'_m = \frac{vp'_m de_v^p}{1 - k}$$

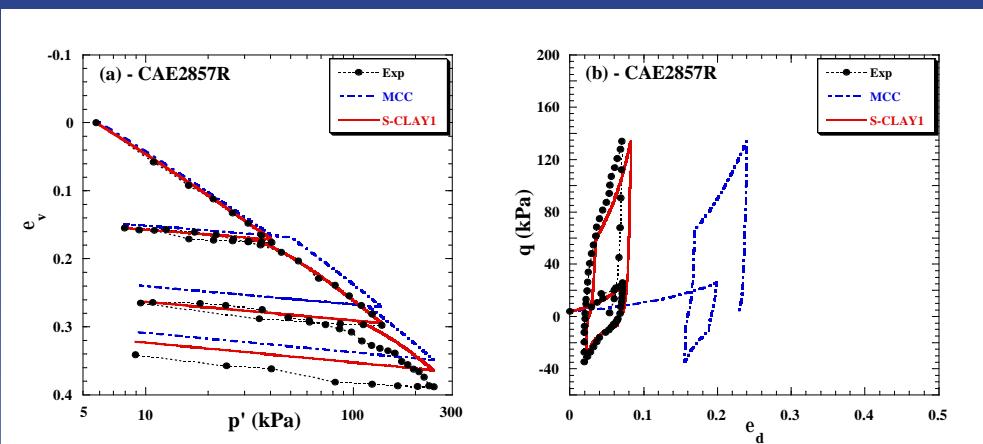
Hardening law controlling the rotation of the yield surface:

$$d\underline{\alpha}_d = m(\frac{3h}{4} - \underline{\alpha}_d)ade_v^p \hat{n} + b(\frac{h}{3} - \underline{\alpha}_d)de_d^p \hat{u} \quad h = \frac{\underline{s}_d}{p'}$$

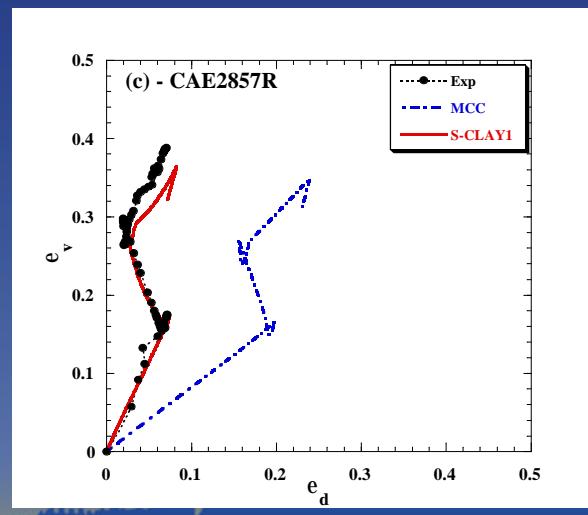
Experimental evidence



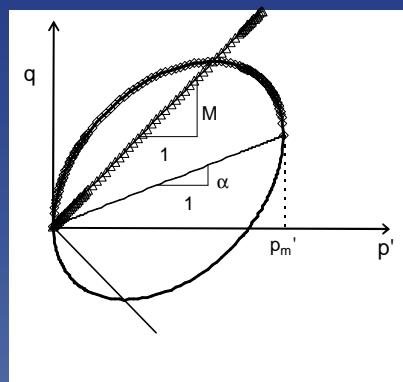
Reconstituted POKO Clay
CAD2857R ($\eta_1=0.65, \eta_2=-0.22, \eta_3=0.55$)



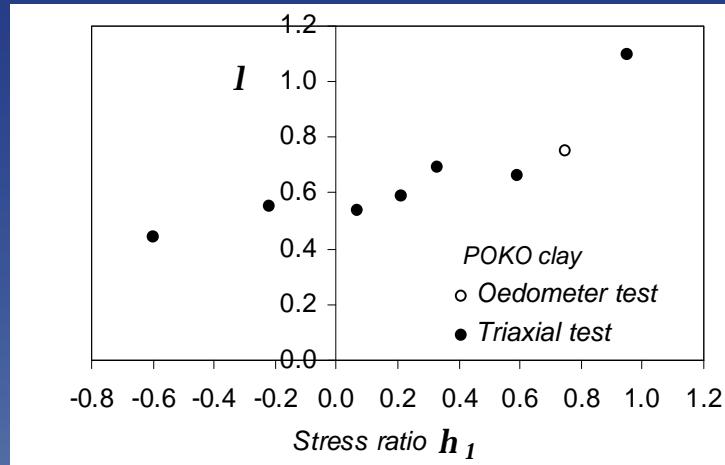
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S-CLAY1: Yield surface in triaxial stress space

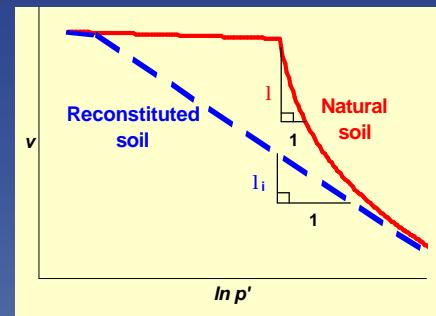


$$F = (q - ap')^2 - (M^2 - a^2)[p'_m - p']p' = 0$$

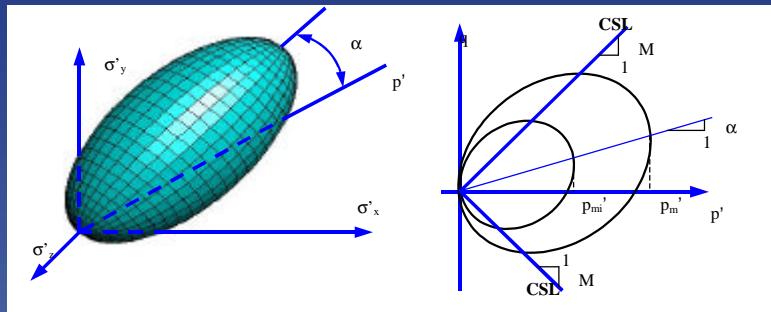


Structure of natural soils

- Soil structure consists of:
 - fabric (**anisotropy**)
 - interparticle **bonding** (**sensitivity**)
- Due to plastic straining gradual degradation of bonding (**destructuration**)



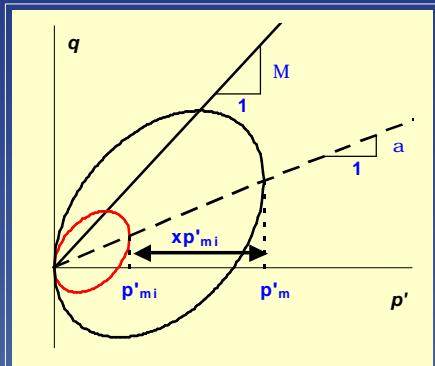
S-CLAY1S models



$$p'_m = (1 + x)p'_{mi}$$

$$F = \frac{3}{2} [\{\underline{\sigma}_d - p' \underline{\alpha}_d\}^T \{\underline{\sigma}_d - p' \underline{\alpha}_d\}] - \left[M^2 - \frac{3}{2} \{\underline{\alpha}_d\}^T \{\underline{\alpha}_d\} \right] [p'_m - p'] p' = 0$$

S-CLAY1S model



Hardening laws:

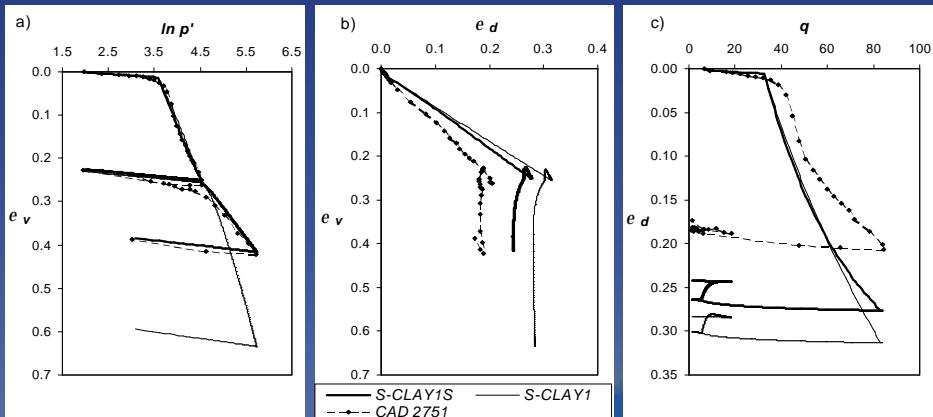
$$dp'_{mi} = \frac{vp'_{mi}}{1 - k} de_v^p$$

$$da_d = m_a \left(\frac{3h}{4} - a_d \right) de_v^p + b \left(\frac{h}{3} - a_d \right) de_a^p \dot{u}$$

Hardening law for destructuration:

$$dx = a \frac{\dot{e}}{\hat{e}} (0 - x) |de_v^p| + b (0 - x) |de_a^p| \dot{u} = -ax \frac{\dot{e}}{\hat{e}} |de_v^p| + b |de_a^p| \dot{u}$$

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Determination of additional parameters

Symbol	Definition	Method
α	Initial inclination of the yield curve	Estimated via ϕ'
β	Proportion constant	Estimated via ϕ'
μ	Rate of rotation	$\approx (10\dots 20) * \lambda_{K_0}$

x	Initial amount of bonding	$\approx S_t - 1$
λ_i	Slope on intrinsic compression line	Consolidation test on reconstituted soil
b	Proportion constant	For most clays 0.2
a	Rate of destructuration	Typically 8-10

S-CLAY1

S-CLAY1S

Fabric tensor for initially cross anisotropic soil

$$\underline{\alpha}_d = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_x - 1 \\ \alpha_y - 1 \\ \alpha_z - 1 \\ \sqrt{2}\alpha_{xy} \\ \sqrt{2}\alpha_{yz} \\ \sqrt{2}\alpha_{zx} \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\quad} \underline{\alpha}_d = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3}(\alpha_x - \alpha_y) \\ -\frac{2}{3}(\alpha_x - \alpha_y) \\ \frac{1}{3}(\alpha_x - \alpha_y) \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\quad} \underline{\alpha}_d = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3}(3\alpha_x - 3) \\ -\frac{2}{3}(3\alpha_x - 3) \\ \frac{1}{3}(3\alpha_x - 3) \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\quad} \underline{\alpha}_d = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\alpha}{3} \\ \frac{2\alpha}{3} \\ \frac{\alpha}{3} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\underbrace{\qquad\qquad\qquad}_{\alpha_{xy} = \alpha_{yz} = \alpha_{zx} = 0}$
 $\underbrace{\qquad\qquad\qquad}_{\alpha_x = \alpha_z}$
 $\underbrace{\qquad\qquad\qquad}_{\frac{\alpha_x + \alpha_y + \alpha_z}{3} = 1}$
 $\underbrace{\qquad\qquad\qquad}_{\alpha^2 = \frac{3}{2}\{\underline{\alpha}_d\}^T \{\underline{\alpha}_d\}}$

Implementation of the models

By following the standard procedure

$$[D^{ep}] = [D^e] - \frac{1}{\beta} [D^e] \left(\frac{\partial Q}{\partial \sigma'} \right) \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial \sigma'} \right)^T [D^e]$$

with

$$\beta = H + \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial \sigma'} \right)^T [D^e] \left(\frac{\partial Q}{\partial \sigma'} \right)$$

For S-CLAY1:

$$H = - \left[\frac{\partial F}{\partial p'_m} \frac{\partial p'_m}{\partial \varepsilon_V^P} \frac{\partial Q}{\partial p'} + \left\{ \frac{\partial F}{\partial \underline{\alpha}_d} \right\}^T \left\{ \frac{\partial \underline{\alpha}_d}{\partial \varepsilon_V^P} \right\} \left\langle \frac{\partial Q}{\partial p'} \right\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \left\{ \frac{\partial \underline{\alpha}_d}{\partial \varepsilon_d^P} \right\} \sqrt{\left\{ \frac{\partial Q}{\partial \sigma'_d} \right\}^T \left\{ \frac{\partial Q}{\partial \sigma'_d} \right\}} \right]$$

For S-CLAY1S:

$$H = \left[\frac{\partial F}{\partial p'_m} \frac{\partial p'_m}{\partial \varepsilon_V^P} \frac{\partial Q}{\partial p'} + \left\{ \frac{\partial F}{\partial \underline{\alpha}_d} \right\}^T \left[\left\{ \frac{\partial \underline{\alpha}_d}{\partial \varepsilon_V^P} \right\} \left\langle \frac{\partial Q}{\partial p'} \right\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \left\{ \frac{\partial \underline{\alpha}_d}{\partial \varepsilon_d^P} \right\} \left[\left\{ \frac{\partial Q}{\partial \sigma'_d} \right\}^T \left\{ \frac{\partial Q}{\partial \sigma'_d} \right\} \right] \right] + \left\{ \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} \right\} \left[\frac{\partial x}{\partial \varepsilon_V^P} \frac{\partial Q}{\partial p'} + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\partial x}{\partial \varepsilon_d^P} \sqrt{\left\{ \frac{\partial Q}{\partial \sigma'_d} \right\}^T \left\{ \frac{\partial Q}{\partial \sigma'_d} \right\}} \right] \right]$$

To implement the model, the only thing we need is the partial derivatives.

Geometry of the embankment

Embankment parameters:
Model: Mohr Coulomb

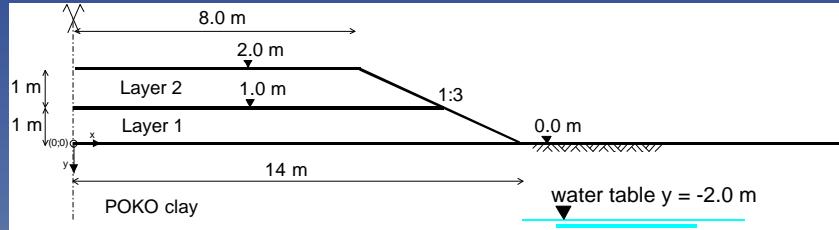
$$E=40000 \text{ kN/m}^2$$

$$v' = 0.3$$

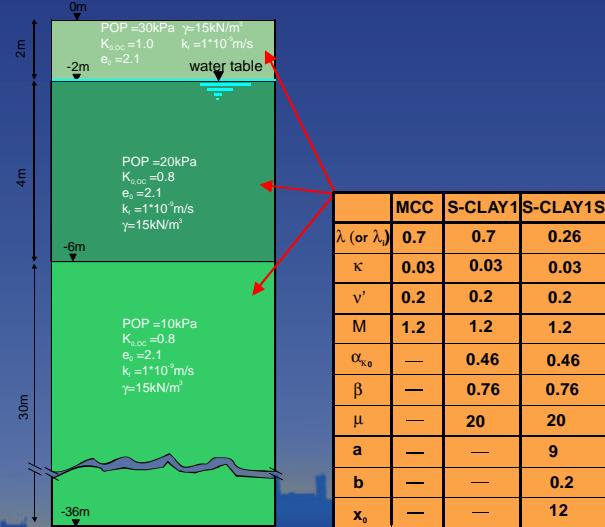
$$\phi' = 38^\circ$$

$$c' = 1 \text{ kN/m}^2$$

$$\gamma = 20 \text{ kN/m}^3$$

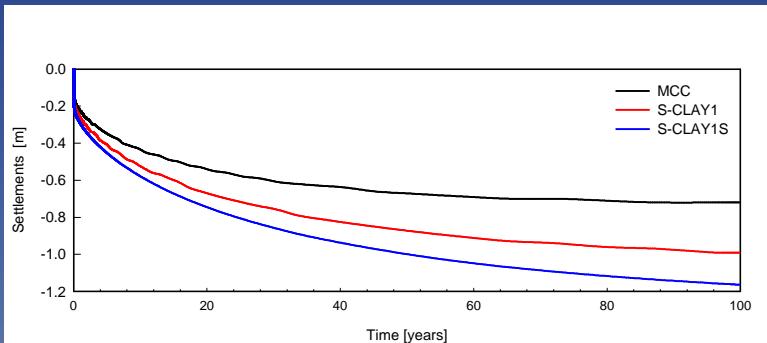


Soil profile, parameter values



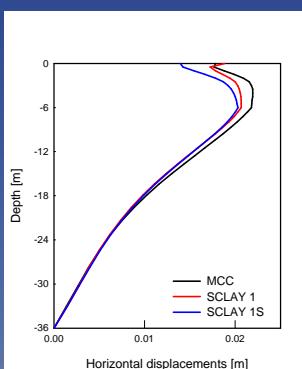
Time settlement curve

Under centreline

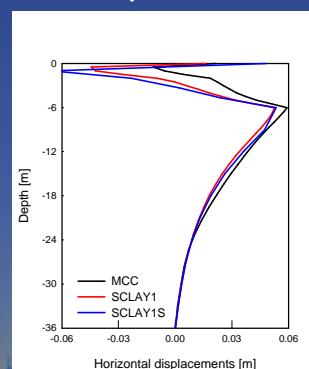


Horizontal displacements

After construction

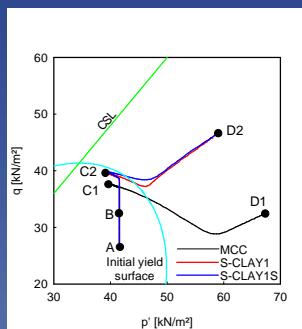


After 100 years consolidation

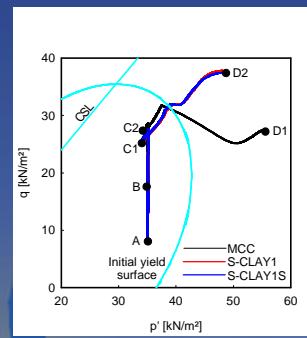


Stress paths on the centreline

4m below ground level



8m below ground level



Murro Test Embankment

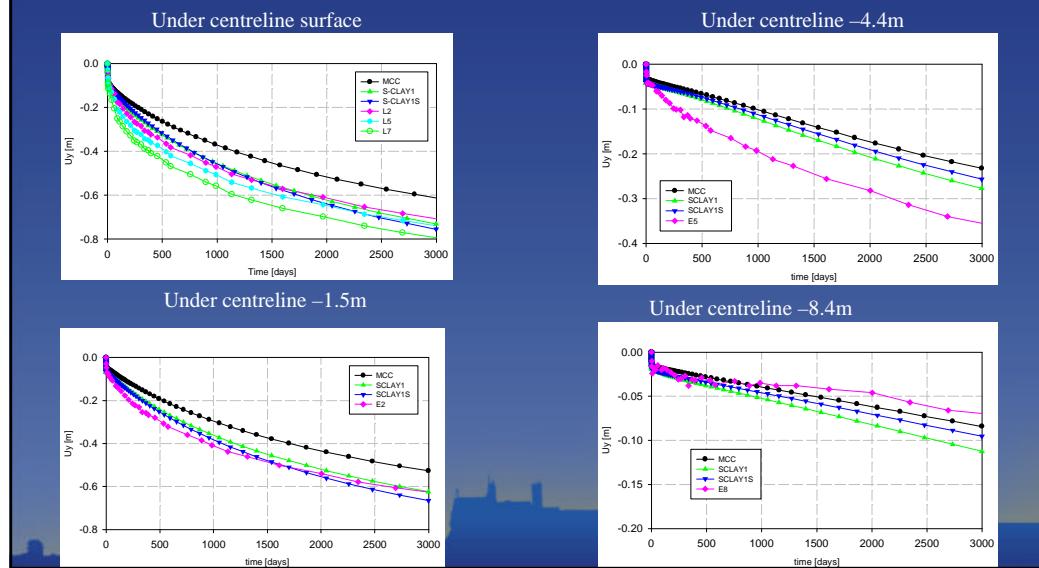
- Soil parameters

Layer	Depth [m]	γ [kN/m ³]	e_0	POP [kPa]	M	κ	λ	$\lambda_{intrinsic}$	μ	X	a	b	k_x [m/s]	k_y [m/s]
1a	0-1.0	15.8	1.4	20	1.6	0.01	0.16	0.07	45	4	9	0.2	2.47E-09	1.90E-09
1b	1.0-1.6	15.8	1.4	10	1.6	0.01	0.16	0.07	45	4	9	0.2	2.47E-09	1.90E-09
2	1.6-3.0	15.5	1.8	1	1.6	0.03	0.5	0.24	25	8	9	0.2	2.47E-09	1.90E-09
3	3.0-6.7	14.9	2.4	1	1.6	0.036	0.5	0.24	20	8	9	0.2	2.06E-09	1.55E-09
4	6.7-10.0	15.1	2.1	1	1.6	0.03	0.4	0.18	25	10	9	0.2	1.27E-09	1.05E-09
5	10.0-15.0	15.5	1.8	1	1.6	0.034	0.38	0.16	25	9	9	0.2	7.93E-10	6.34E-10
6	15.0-23.0	15.9	1.6	1	1.6	0.034	0.14	0.7	30	9	9	0.2	1.20E-09	9.51E-10

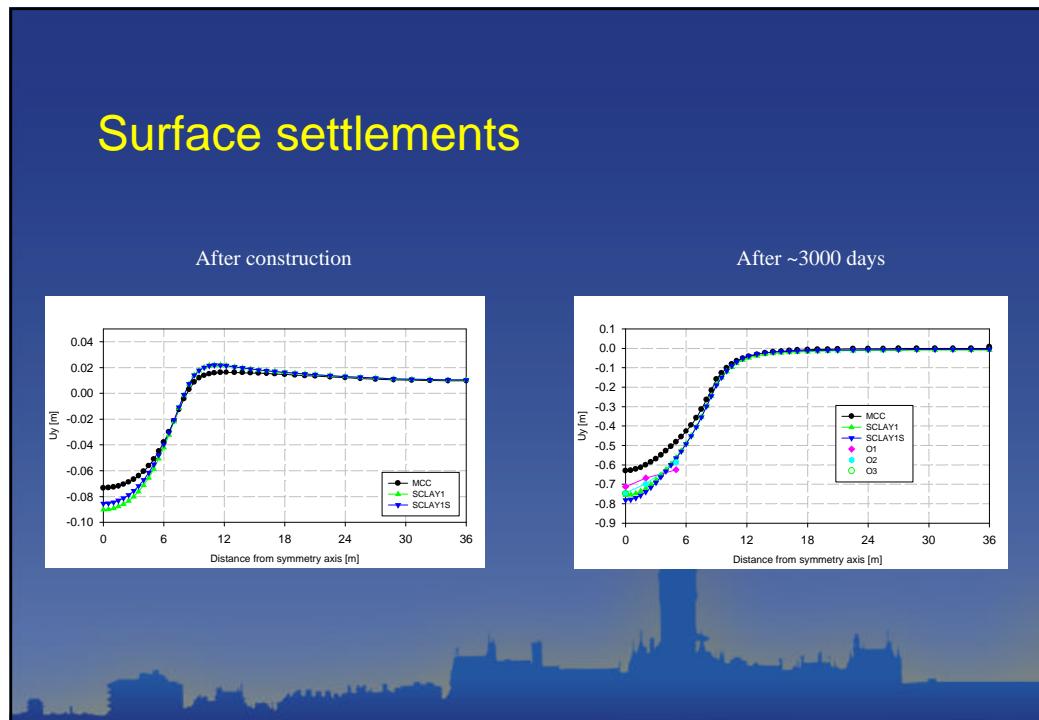
- Embankment parameters

E [MPa]	γ [kN/m ³]	v	ϕ' [°]	c' [kPa]
40	19.6	0.35	40	2

Time settlement curve



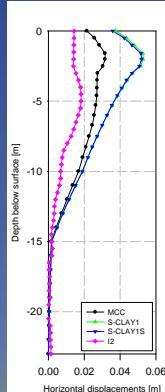
Surface settlements



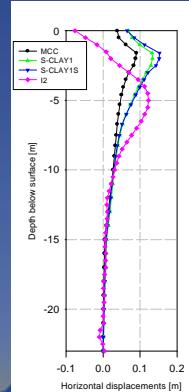
Horizontal displacements

Under the toe of the embankment

After construction

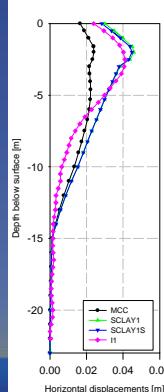


After ~3000 days

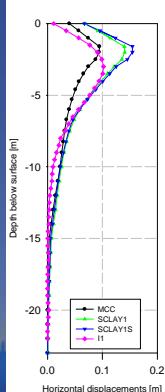


Under the edge of the embankment

After construction

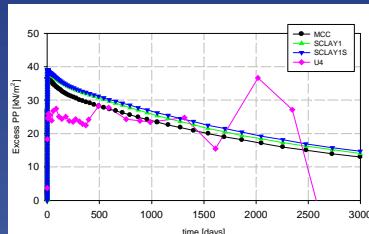


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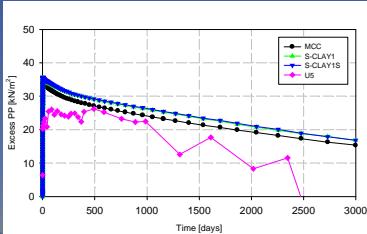


Time versus excess pore pressure

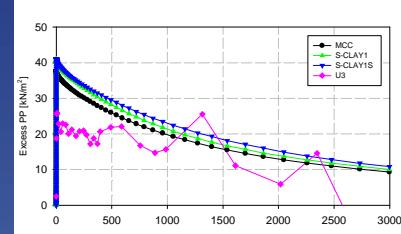
~ under centreline -5.5m



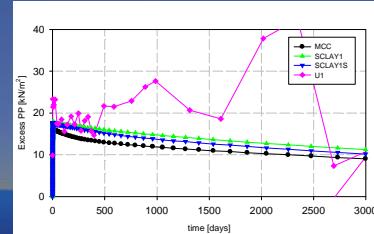
~ under centreline -7.5m



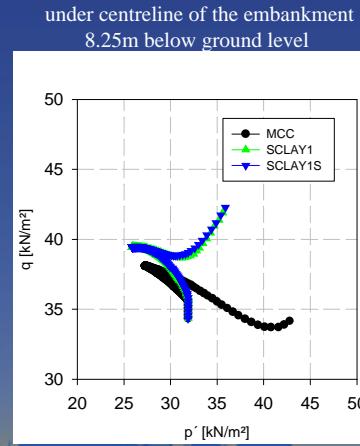
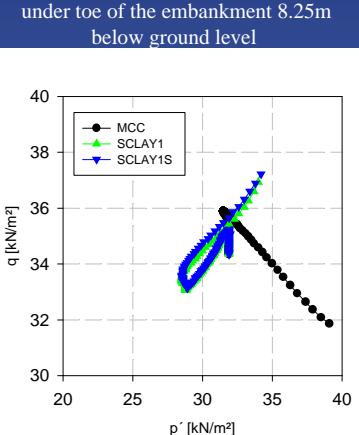
- under centreline -3.5m



~ under centreline -15m



Stress paths



Conclusions

- Two new constitutive models have been developed: S-CLAY1 (plastic anisotropy) and S-CLAY1S (plastic anisotropy and destructuration)
- Both models have been validated against series of multi-stage triaxial test on both natural and reconstituted soft clays from Finland (Otaniemi, POKO, Murro, Vanttila) and Scotland (Bothkennar)
- Both models have been implemented to SAGE Crisp
- For embankments on soft clays, the predicted vertical settlements increase and the predicted horizontal movements decrease when plastic anisotropy and destructuration are taken into account (compared to the MCC model)

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