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## CT2091

## **BSc EXAMINATION 2012**

## ANSWER BOOK

FIRST PERIOD

DATE: 2 November 2012

TIME: 09.00 – 12.00

Answer ALL Questions (Note that the questions carry unequal marks)

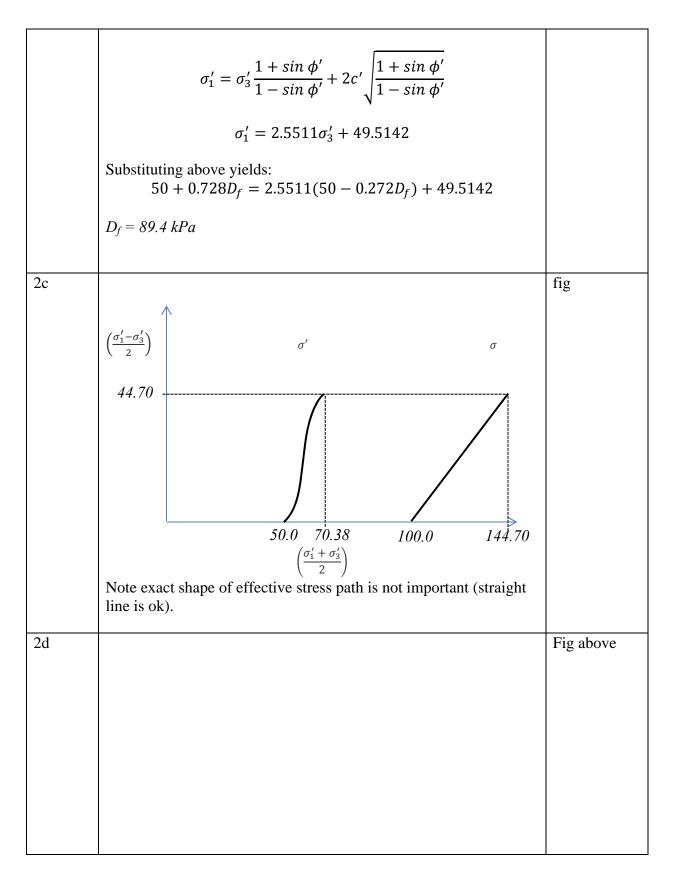
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<u>Clearly identify the answer in the answer box</u>

| Question No. | Workings  | Answer               |
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| 1a           | Dry, clean sand therefore c=0   | $\phi' = 31^{\circ}$ |
|              | Also no moisture therefore $\sigma = \sigma'$   |                      |
|              | $\sigma'_{v} = \sigma'_{n} = 250 kPa$<br>$\tau = 150 kPa$   |                      |
|              | i = 150 kP d  |                      |
|              | So $\phi' = tan^{-1} (150/250) = 31^{\circ}$  |                      |
|              | By using right angle triangles:   |                      |
|              | $\cos \phi' = \frac{\sqrt{(150^2 + 250^2)}}{\sigma'_{n,centre}}$  |                      |
|              | $\sigma'_{n,centre} = 340.2 \ kPa$  |                      |
|              | Radius of circle (from pythagorus):<br>$\sqrt{340.2^2 - (150^2 + 250^2)} = 174.9  kPa$  |                      |
|              | 350   |                      |
|              | e 250<br>and a 250<br>and and and and and and and and and and  |                      |
|              | $\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{F} \\ $ |                      |
|              | Normal effective stress at failure (kPa)  |                      |
| 1b           | Pole is found from a straight line from A to B (as we know the  | 430.4, 150<br>kPa    |
|              | plane on which the stress A is acting). The Pole is point B.  | KI U                 |
|              | Coordinates of the pole = $340.2 + (340.2-250)$ , 150 kPa   |                      |
|              | =430.4, 150 kPa   |                      |

1c  $\sigma'_{1} = 340.2 + 174.9 = 515.1 \, kPa$   $\sigma'_{3} = 340.2 - 174.9 = 165.3 \, kPa$ Directions defined by Mohr's circle and Pole.  $\theta_{1} = tan^{-1} \left(\frac{515.1 - 430.4}{150}\right) = 29.5^{\circ}$   $\sigma'_{1}$  acts at 29.5° to horizontal  $\sigma'_{3}$  acts at 60.5° to horizontal

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| No.<br>2a    | Test 1 $Test 1$ $Test 1$ $Test 1$ $Test 1$ $Test 1$ $Test 2$ $T$ | c'=15.5 kPa<br>φ'=25.9° |
| 2b           | $Test \ 3 \qquad \begin{array}{c} 100 + D_{f} & \underline{Test \ 3} \\ p_{f} = 50 + 0.85 x 0.32 x \ D_{f} \\ = 50 + 0.272 \ D_{f} \\ \sigma'_{1} = 100 + D_{f} - 50 - 0.272 \ D_{f} \\ \sigma'_{3} = 100 - 50 - 0.272 \ D_{f} \end{array}$  | $D_f = 89.4$<br>kPa     |



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| 3a              |   |          |
| 3b              | Note no tension anchor so passive horizontal equilibrium must be satisfied by earth pressures.  | d=6.68 m |
|                 | $K'_{p} = \frac{1 + \sin\phi'}{1 - \sin\phi'} = 3$ $K'_{a} = \frac{1 - \sin\phi'}{1 + \sin\phi'} = 0.33$ Forces:<br>Active forces:<br>From effective stress soil, $\frac{1}{2}K_{a}\gamma'(4 + d)^{2}$<br>From water, $\frac{1}{2}K_{0}\gamma'(4 + d)^{2}$<br>Passive forces:<br>From effective stress soil, $\frac{1}{2}K_{p}\gamma'd^{2}$ |          |
|                 | From water, $\frac{1}{2}K_0\gamma'(3+d)^2$<br>FoS = 1.5, so must multiply active forces by 1.5.<br>Therefore equating:  |          |
|                 | $0.75 \times 0.33 \times (20 - 10) \times (4 + d)^{2} + 7.5(4 + d)^{2} = 15d^{2} + 5(3 + d)^{2}$ $0 = 15d^{2} + 5(3 + d)^{2} - 9.975(4 + d)^{2}$ $0 = 10.025d^{2} - 49.8d - 114.6$  |          |
|                 | d=6.68 m (note that this is deeper than h)  |          |

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| Horizontal equilibrium can include tension anchor, therefore<br>rotation equilibrium is important at the tension anchor.  | FoS = 1.24  |
| Forces:<br>Active forces and location of action below anchor:<br>From effective stress soil, $\frac{1}{2}K_a\gamma'(4+3)^2 = 81.7kN$ at 2.7m<br>From water, $\frac{1}{2}K_0\gamma'(4+3)^2 = 245 kN$ at 2.7m |   |
| Passive forces:<br>From effective stress soil, $\frac{1}{2}K_p\gamma'3^2 = 135 \ kN$ at 4.0m<br>From water, $\frac{1}{2}K_0\gamma'(3+3)^2 = 180 \ kN$ at 3.0m   |   |
| Moments:<br>Overturning:<br>$81.7 \times 2.7 + 245 \times 2.7 = 871 \ kNm$<br>Resisting:<br>$135 \times 4 + 180 \times 3 = 1080 \ kNm$  |   |
| FoS = 1080/871 = 1.24   |   |
| Tension anchor via horizontal equilibrium:<br>$T = 81.7 + 245 - 135 - 180 = 11.7 \ kN$  | $T = 11.7 \ kN$   |
|   | rotation equilibrium is important at the tension anchor.<br>Forces:<br>Active forces and location of action below anchor:<br>From effective stress soil, $\frac{1}{2}K_a\gamma'(4+3)^2 = 81.7kN$ at 2.7m<br>From water, $\frac{1}{2}K_0\gamma'(4+3)^2 = 245 kN$ at 2.7m<br>Passive forces:<br>From effective stress soil, $\frac{1}{2}K_p\gamma'3^2 = 135 kN$ at 4.0m<br>From water, $\frac{1}{2}K_0\gamma'(3+3)^2 = 180 kN$ at 3.0m<br>Moments:<br>Overturning:<br>$81.7 \times 2.7 + 245 \times 2.7 = 871 kNm$<br>Resisting:<br>$135 \times 4 + 180 \times 3 = 1080 kNm$<br>FoS = 1080/871 = 1.24<br>Tension anchor via horizontal equilibrium: |

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| 4a              | Use the Brinch Hansen method.  |            |
|                 | 1  | FoS = 2.26 |
|                 | $p_c = cN_c i_c s_c + qN_q i_q s_q + \frac{1}{2}\gamma' BN_\gamma i_\gamma s_\gamma$ |            |
|                 | No inclination.  |            |
|                 | Calculate N factors: $1 + \sin \phi$   |            |
|                 | $N_q = \frac{1 + \sin\phi}{1 - \sin\phi} \exp(\pi \tan\phi) = 6.40$                  |            |
|                 | $N_c = (N_q - 1) cot \phi = 14.83$   |            |
|                 | $N_{\gamma} = 2(N_q - 1)\tan\phi = 3.93$   |            |
|                 | Calculate shape factors:   |            |
|                 | $s_c = 1 + 0.2 \frac{B}{L} = 1.1$  |            |
|                 | $s_q = 1 + \frac{B}{L}\sin\phi = 1.17$   |            |
|                 | $s_{\gamma} = 1 - 0.3 \frac{B}{L} = 0.85$  |            |
|                 | Load:  |            |
|                 | Weight of concrete, $= A\gamma d = 20 \times 10 \times 25 \times 2.5 = 12500 \ kN$   |            |
|                 | Weight of soil, $= A\gamma d = 20 \times 10 \times 20 \times 2.5 = 10000 \ kN$       |            |
|                 | Total = 12500 + 10000 + 50000 = 72500 kN (from applied                               |            |
|                 | load)  |            |
|                 | Pore pressure, $p = 10 \times 5 = 50 \ kPa$  |            |
|                 | Load $= \frac{W}{A} - p = \frac{72500}{200} - 50 = 312.5  kPa$                       |            |
|                 | Surcharge (note effective stress usage), q:  |            |
|                 | $q = \gamma' d = 50 \ kPa$   |            |
|                 | $p_c = cN_cs_c + qN_qs_q + \frac{1}{2}\gamma'BN_\gamma s_\gamma = 705 \ kPa$         |            |
|                 | FoS = 705 / 313 = 2.26   |            |
| 4b              | Again use the Brinch Hansen method.  | FoS = 1.16 |
|                 | $p_c = cN_c i_c s_c + qN_q i_q s_q + \frac{1}{2}\gamma' BN_\gamma i_\gamma s_\gamma$ | 100 - 1.10 |
|                 | In this case need the inclinations factors:  |            |

|    | Horizontal stress, t:<br>$t = \frac{F}{area} = \frac{7500}{200} = 37.5 \ kPa$ Vertical load, p:<br>Total = 12500 + 10000 + 30000 = 52500 \ kN (from applied |         |
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|    | load)   |         |
|    | Pore pressure, $p = 10 \times 5 = 50 \ kPa$   |         |
|    | [don't penalise for omitting pore pressure in load]   |         |
|    | Load $= \frac{W}{A} - p = \frac{52500}{200} - 50 = 212.5  kPa$  |         |
|    | $i_c = 1 - \frac{t}{c + p \tan \phi} = 0.57$  |         |
|    | $i_q = i_c^2 = 0.33$<br>$i_\gamma = i_c^3 = 0.19$   |         |
|    | $p_c = 246 \ kPa$   |         |
|    | FoS = 246/213 = 1.16  |         |
| 4c | FoS reduces as shape factors, $N_{c}$ and $N_{q}$ reduce (B/L) gets smaller.  | reduces |