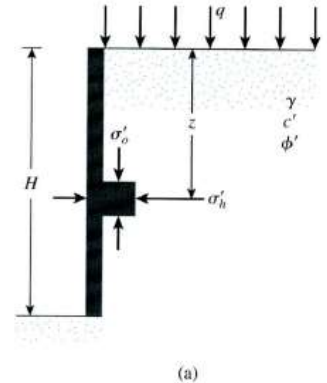


GIVEN FIND

**7.1** Refer to Figure 7.3a. Given:  $H = 3.5$  m,  $q = 20$  kN/m<sup>2</sup>,  $\gamma = 18.2$  kN/m<sup>3</sup>,  $c' = 0$ , and  $\phi' = 35^\circ$ . Determine the at-rest lateral earth force per meter length of the wall. Also, find the location of the resultant. Use Eq. (7.4) and  $OCR = 1.5$ .

$$H := 3.5 \quad q := 20 \quad \gamma := 18.2 \quad c' := 0 \quad \phi' := 35 \text{ deg} \quad OCR := 1.5$$

$$K_o := (1 - \sin(\phi')) \cdot OCR^{\sin(\phi')} = 0.538 \quad \text{Eq 7.4}$$



METHOD

1. Calculate  $K_o$  using Eq 7.4 since we have overconsolidated soil
2. Calculate effective stress (in this case equal to stress since "no water table")
3. Determine Force Eq 7.5
4. determine Location using Eq 7.6

SOLUTION

$$\text{Force due to load: } P_1 := H \cdot K_o \cdot q = 37.665 \quad \text{Force due to the soil: } P_2 := 0.5 \cdot K_o \cdot \gamma \cdot H^2 = 59.982$$

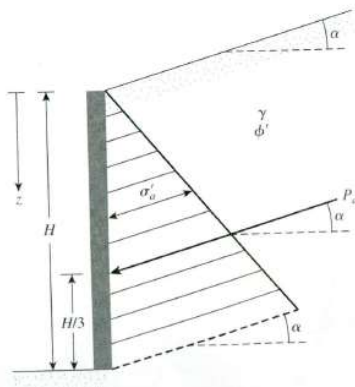
$$\text{The at-rest lateral earth force } P_o := P_1 + P_2 = 97.647$$

$$\text{Location: } \bar{z} := \frac{P_1 \cdot \left(\frac{H}{2}\right) + P_2 \cdot \left(\frac{H}{3}\right)}{P_o} = \quad \text{m}$$

GIVEN FIND

**7.6** Refer to Figure 7.10. For the retaining wall,  $H = 6$  m,  $\phi' = 34^\circ$ ,  $\alpha = 10^\circ$ ,  $\gamma = 17$  kN/m<sup>3</sup>, and  $c' = 0$ .

- a. Determine the intensity of the Rankine active force at  $z = 2$  m, 4 m, and 6 m.
- b. Determine the Rankine active force per meter length of the wall and also the location and direction of the resultant.



$$H := 6 \text{ m} \quad \phi' := 34 \text{ deg} \quad \alpha := 10 \text{ deg} \quad \gamma := 17 \frac{\text{kN}}{\text{m}^3} \quad c' := 0$$

$$\text{PART A:} \quad z_1 := 2 \text{ m} \quad z_2 := 4 \text{ m} \quad z_3 := 6 \text{ m}$$

METHOD

1. Determine the  $K_a$ , active earth-pressure coefficient using EQ 7.19
2. Determine the Rankine active pressure at any depth  $z$ , with Eq 7.20
3. Determine the active force per unit length of the wall using Eq 7.21

SOLUTION

$$K_a := \cos(\alpha) \cdot \frac{\left[ \cos(\alpha) - \sqrt{\cos(\alpha)^2 - \cos(\phi')^2} \right]}{\cos(\alpha) + \sqrt{\cos(\alpha)^2 - \cos(\phi')^2}} = 0.294$$

PART A:

$$\sigma'_1 := \gamma \cdot z_1 \cdot K_a = 10.009$$

$$\sigma'_2 := \gamma \cdot z_2 \cdot K_a = 20.017 \quad \frac{\text{kN}}{\text{m}^2}$$

$$\sigma'_3 := \gamma \cdot z_3 \cdot K_a = 30.026$$

PART B:

$$P_a := .5 \cdot \gamma \cdot H^2 \cdot K_a = 90.078 \quad \frac{\text{kN}}{\text{m}}$$

**7.7** Refer to Figure 7.10. Given:  $H = 22 \text{ ft}$ ,  $\gamma = 115 \text{ lb/ft}^3$ ,  $\phi' = 25^\circ$ ,  $c' = 250 \text{ lb/ft}^2$ , and  $\alpha = 10^\circ$ . Calculate the Rankine active force per unit length of the wall after the occurrence of the tensile crack.

GIVEN  $H := 22$   $\phi' := 25^\circ$   $\alpha := 10^\circ$   $\gamma := 115$   $c' := 250$

- METHOD
1. Determine the depth of the tensile crack using Eq 7.24
  2. Determine the factor  $c'/\gamma \cdot z$  in order to determine  $K_a$  with Table 7.2
  3. Determine  $K_a$  using Table 7.2
  4. Determine the rankine active force using equation 7.22

SOLUTION

$$z_r := \frac{2c'}{\gamma} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{1 + \sin(\phi')}}{\sqrt{1 - \sin(\phi')}} = 6.825 \quad \text{ft} \quad \text{Eq 7.24} \quad \text{factor2} := \left( \frac{c'}{\gamma \cdot H} \right) = 0.099 \quad K_a' := 0.297$$

$$\sigma'_a := \gamma \cdot H \cdot K_a' \cdot \cos(\alpha) = 739.994 \quad P_a := .5 \cdot \sigma'_a \cdot (H - z_r) = 5.615 \times 10^3 \quad \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{ft}^3}$$

GIVEN FIND

**7.8** Refer to Figure 7.12a. Given:  $H = 12 \text{ ft}$ ,  $\gamma = 105 \text{ lb/ft}^3$ ,  $\phi' = 30^\circ$ ,  $c' = 0$ , and  $\beta = 85^\circ$ . Determine the Coulomb's active force per foot length of the wall and the location and direction of the resultant for the following cases:

a.  $\alpha = 10^\circ$  and  $\delta' = 20^\circ$

b.  $\alpha = 20^\circ$  and  $\delta' = 15^\circ$

$H := 12 \text{ ft}$   $\gamma := 105$   $\phi' := 30$   $c' := 0$   $\beta := 85$

$\alpha_a := 10^\circ$   $\delta'_a := 20^\circ$   $K_{a1} := .3857$  Table 7.4

$\alpha_b := 20^\circ$   $\delta'_b := 15^\circ$   $K_{a2} := .4708$  Table 7.5

METHOD

1. Determine  $K_a$  using Table 7.4/7.5
2. Determine the active force  $P_a$  using Eq 7.25
3. Determine location of force given

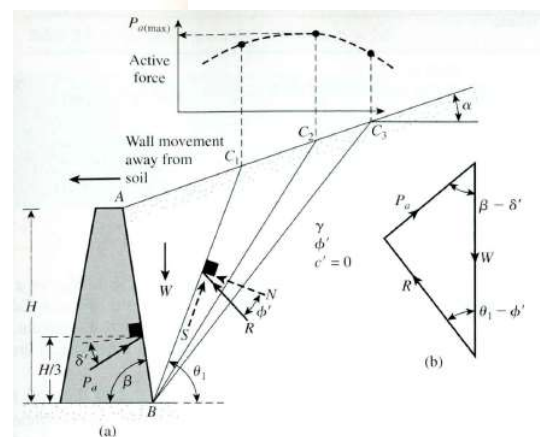


Figure 7.12 Coulomb's active pressure

## SOLUTION

### PART A:

$$P_a := .5 \cdot K_{a1} \cdot \gamma \cdot H^2 = 2.916 \times 10^3 \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{ft}}$$

$$z := \frac{H}{3} = 4 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{angle} := 90 - \beta + \delta'a = 5.349 \text{ up from horizontal}$$

### PART B:

$$P_a := .5 \cdot K_{a2} \cdot \gamma \cdot H^2 = 3.559 \times 10^3$$

$$z := \frac{H}{3} = 4 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{angle} := 90 - \beta + \delta'b = 5.262 \text{ up from horizontal}$$

## GIVEN FIND

**7.9** Refer to Figure 7.13a. Given  $H = 3.5 \text{ m}$ ,  $\alpha = 0$ ,  $\beta = 85^\circ$ ,  $\gamma = 18 \text{ kN/m}^3$ ,  $c' = 0$ ,  $\phi' = 34^\circ$ ,  $\delta'/\phi' = 0.5$ , and  $q = 30 \text{ kN/m}^2$ . Determine the Coulomb's active force per unit length of the wall.

$$H := 3.5 \quad q := 30 \quad \gamma := 18 \quad \alpha := 0 \quad \beta := 85^\circ \quad c' := 0 \quad \phi' := 34^\circ \quad \frac{\delta'}{\phi'} := 0.5 \quad \delta' := \frac{34}{2} = 17$$

- METHOD**
1. Determine  $K_a$  using Table 7.5 (since  $\frac{\delta'}{\phi'} = 0.5$ )
  2. Determine  $\gamma_{eq}$  using Eq 7.28
  3. Determine the active force  $P_a$  using Eq 7.27 given the surcharge of intensity  $q$  located above the backfill

**SOLUTION**  $K_a := 0.2925$

$$\gamma_{eq} := \gamma + \left( \frac{\sin(\beta)}{\sin(\beta + \alpha)} \right) \cdot \left( 2 \cdot \frac{q}{H} \right) = 35.143 \frac{\text{kN}}{\text{m}^3}$$

$$P_a := 0.5 \cdot K_a \cdot \gamma_{eq} \cdot H^2 = 62.961$$

## GIVEN FIND

**7.10** Refer to Figure 7.14b. Given  $H = 3.3 \text{ m}$ ,  $a' = 1 \text{ m}$ ,  $b' = 1.5 \text{ m}$ , and  $q = 25 \text{ kN/m}^2$ . Determine the lateral force per unit length of the unyielding wall caused by the surcharge loading only.

$$H := 3.3 \text{ m} \quad a' := 1 \quad b' := 1.5 \quad q := 25 \frac{\text{kN}}{\text{m}^2}$$

- METHOD**
1. Determine angles  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  using Eq. 7.35 and 7.36
  2. Determine force per unit length, using Eq 7.34

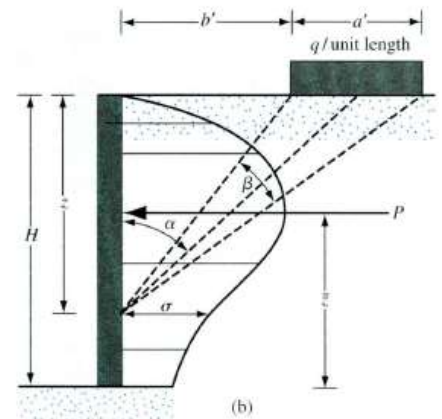
**SOLUTION**  $\theta_1' := \text{atan}\left(\frac{b'}{H}\right) = 0.427$

$$\theta_2' := \text{atan}\left(\frac{a' + b'}{H}\right) = 0.648$$

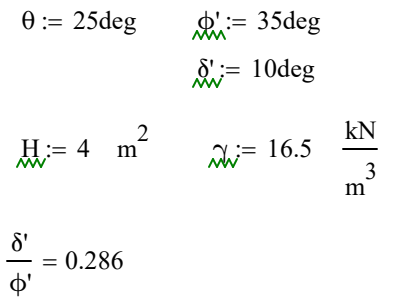
$$\theta_1 := \theta_1' \cdot \frac{180}{\pi} = 24.444$$

$$\theta_2 := \theta_2' \cdot \frac{180}{\pi} = 37.147$$

$$P := [H \cdot (\theta_2 - \theta_1)] \cdot \frac{q}{90} = 11.644 \frac{\text{kN}}{\text{m}}$$



**7.15** In Figure 7.28, which shows a vertical retaining wall with a horizontal backfill, let  $H = 4$  m,  $\theta = 25^\circ$ ,  $\gamma = 16.5$  kN/m<sup>3</sup>,  $\phi' = 35^\circ$ , and  $\delta' = 10^\circ$ . Based on Zhu and Qian's work, what would be the passive force per meter length of the wall?



**METHOD** 1. Determine  $K_p$  (passive earth-pressure coefficient for the given angles values above)

To determine R, it was necessary interpolate between the values of 0.2 and 0.4 for the angle. Also, in the textbook, a value of  $\theta=25^\circ$  is not given on the table, thus the value obtained for R was averaged given the trends on the table.

**SOLUTION**  $P_p := .5 \cdot K_p \cdot \gamma \cdot H^2 = 391.05 \frac{\text{kN}}{\text{m}}$