CE 468 GEOTECHNICAL DESIGN DESIGN PROBLEM: SETTLEMENT OF FOUNDATIONS IN SAND

A machine foundation is going to be designed. A site investigation program has been undertaken, which includes several boreholes, laboratory tests and SPT and CPT. The typical borehole log and CPT data are attached. The foundation, is a strip foundation having 5.m. width (55m long), and the foundation depth is at 2m below the existing grade. The foundation level is at 2m elevation in SPT profile and 4m elevation in CPT profile. The estimated soil pressures due to the weight of the structure including the foundation weight is 1000 kN/m⁴.

SPT were conducted with double turn on cat head and using donut hammer.

Propose an idealized soil profile for the site and assign characteristic parameters to the soil layers present in the site.

Compute the sttlement of the strip footing using Burland and Burbidge method and SPT data, as well as using Schmertmans Method using CPT data, and compare the settlement predictions. Assume that the entire soil profile is cohesionless.



