METU - Civil Engineering Department CE464 GROUND IMPROVEMENT Fall 2016, Asst. Prof. Nejan Huvaj Sarıhan

HOMEWORK - BONUS

(+3% to your total CE464 course grade out of 100).

Due on: 6 January 2017 at 23:59.

(submit to Nejan Huvaj's office and explain how you thought and prepared the code)

You can work in groups of max. 2 people. Write a code (Matlab, C++ etc.) that calculates the compression index, C_c , and preconsolidation pressure, σ'_p , of a clay, using laboratory 1-D consolidation test data.

The code will take input data as a *.txt file, the first column of the txt file will be void ratio, the second column will be effective vertical stress (in kPa). The given data will not include unloading-reloading parts, it will only include loading data.

Code should give as the output:

- (1) Plot of the given data points in e-log σ'_v and a lines/curve passing through the data points (you don't need to show lines that are used for σ'_p calculation)
- (2) Compression index, $C_c = \dots$, Preconsolidation pressure, $\sigma'_p = \dots$ kPa

You can try your code with the example problem we worked on in class (only the loading part, and up to about 3000 kPa vertical effective stress).