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Settlement of Pile Foundation by Computer Program

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Abstract

The objective of this study is to develop the computer program capable of settlement prediction for pile foundation. The program includes the following methods,

- 1 Conventional Method
 - 1.1 Terzaghi theory
 - 1.2 Tomlinson theory
- 2 Modified theory of Elasticity Method
 - 2.1 Bowles theory
 - 2.2 Randolph theory
 - 2.3 Poulos theory

In predicting the settlement of pile foundation, the program considers only static load. Monitored data of settlement of pile foundation at Bangkok Bank building were compared with the results from program. It can be concluded as follow: settlements predicted by Terzaghi method are about 30.49% to 56.74% that more than the observed ones, while those from Tomlinson method are about 23.14% to 31.49% that less than measured settlements, results of Bowles method are about 0.40% to 10.76% of those measured. Settlement predictions by Poulos method and Randolph method are about 2.69% to 14.95% and 2.75% to 8.22% of the observed values respectively. For the case study, settlement analysis by modified theory of elasticity is

different from the measured settlements less than 7%. However, results from conventional method are different from those measured more than 10%. It can be concluded that the modified theory of elasticity is suitable to predict settlement of pile foundation.

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