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Appendix 2E: Optimization Seepage and Stability Analyses

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Constant Total Head Seepage Exit Boundary

Material Properties Legend

Material	Kh ft/sec	Kv/Kh	Color
Rock Fill	3.28*10 ⁻²	0.25	
Seafloor Deposits	3.28*10 ⁻⁷	0.1	
Soft Lacustrine	3.28*10 ⁻⁷	0.1	
Stiff Lacustrine	3.28*10 ⁻⁷	0.1	
Stone Column	3.28*10 ⁻²	0.25	
Membrane		Impervious	





Total Head Contours Legend



PROJECT ND	Seepage Analysis Option A – Sand Dam with
ses	Stone Columns
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Phi: 17	C-Rate of Increase: 15.4
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PROJECT	Seismic Stability Analysis Option A – Sand Dam with
Analyses	Stone Columns
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Constant Total Head Seepage Exit Boundary

Material Properties Legend

Material	Kh ft/sec	Kv/Kh	Color
Rockfill	3.28*10 ⁻²	0.25	
Fine Rockfill	3.28*10 ⁻²	0.25	
Filter Blanket	1.77*10 ⁻⁴	1	
Sand Gravel Core	3.28*10 ⁻⁴	0.25	
Slurry Wall	3.28*10 ⁻⁸	1	
Seafloor Deposits	3.28*10 ⁻⁷	0.1	
Soft Lacustrine	3.28*10 ⁻⁷	0.1	
Stiff Lacustrine	3.28*10 ⁻⁷	0.1	
Jet-grouted Lacustrine	4.92*10 ⁻⁸	1	

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	Option B - Rockfill with Jet Grouted
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Constant Total Head Seepage Exit Boundary

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PROJECT	Seismic Stability Analysis
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Constant Total Head Seepage Exit Boundary

Material Properties Legend

Material	Kh ft/sec	Kv/Kh	Color
Rockfill	3.28*10 ⁻²	0.25	
Fine Rockfill	3.28*10 ⁻²	0.25	
Filter Blanket	1.77*10 ⁻⁴	1	
Sand Gravel Core	3.28*10 ⁻⁴	0.25	
Slurry Wall	3.28*10 ⁻⁸	1	
Seafloor Deposits	3.28*10 ⁻⁷	0.1	
Soft Lacustrine	3.28*10 ⁻⁷	0.1	
Stiff Lacustrine	3.28*10 ⁻⁷	0.1	





Total Head Contours Legend





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	Option D - Modified Rock Notches Dam
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PROJECT	Seismic Stability Analysis Option D - Modified Rock Notches Dam
Analyses	With Maximum Seismic Filters
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Constant Total Head Seepage Exit Boundary

Material Properties Legend

Material	Kh ft/sec	Kv/Kh	Color
Soft Lacustrine	3.28*10 ⁻⁷	0.1	
Stiff Lacustrine	3.28*10 ⁻⁷	0.1	
Seafloor Deposits	3.28*10 ⁻⁷	0.1	
SCB Slurry Wall	3.28*10 ⁻⁸	1	
Sand/Gravel Type A	3.28*10 ⁻⁴	0.25	
Sand/Gravel Type B	3.28*10 ⁻⁴	0.25	

XY Gradient ixy Contours Legend

Total Head Contours Legend



PROJECT	Seepage Analysis Option E – Optimized Mid-Sea Barrier
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PROJECT	Static Stability Analysis Option E – Optimized Mid-Sea Barrier
Analyses	Without Stone Columns
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Constant Total Head Seepage Exit Boundary

Material Properties Legend

Material	Kh ft/sec	Kv/Kh	Color
Soft Lacustrine	3.28*10 ⁻⁷	0.1	
Stiff Lacustrine	3.28*10 ⁻⁷	0.1	
Seafloor Deposits	3.28*10 ⁻⁷	0.1	
SCB Slurry Wall	3.28*10 ⁻⁸	1	
Sand/Gravel Type A	3.28*10 ⁻⁴	0.25	
Sand/Gravel Type B	3.28*10 ⁻⁴	0.25	

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PROJECT	Seepage Analysis Option E – Optimized Mid-Sea Barrier
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Constant Total Head Seepage Exit Boundary

Material Properties Legend

Material	Kh ft/sec	Kv/Kh	Color
Soft Lacustrine	3.28*10 ⁻⁷	0.1	
Stiff Lacustrine	3.28*10 ⁻⁷	0.1	
Seafloor Deposits	3.28*10 ⁻⁷	0.1	
SCB Slurry Wall	3.28*10 ⁻⁸	1	
Sand/Gravel Type A	3.28*10 ⁻⁴	0.25	
Sand/Gravel Type B	3.28 [*] 10 ⁻⁴	0.25	

XY Gradient ixy Contours Legend



Total Head Contours Legend



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Yield Acceleration of Lined Landfills

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Abstract

A simplified block analysis to evaluate yield accelerations of a refuse mass founded on a weak interface is presented. Comparison with results obtained from conventional slope stability evaluations indicate excellent agreement. The simplified solution reduces independent variables to interface friction angle, backfill slope, face slope, and height and length of the refuse mass. Design charts are presented for two typical landfill configurations; backslopes of 2 and 4 horizontal (h) to 1 vertical (v) and face slopes of 2h:1v during staged construction.

INTRODUCTION

Current environmental legislation requires that modern waste disposal facilities be constructed with liners that retard the migration of contaminants. The liners are generally constructed with low permeability materials or geosynthetics that have low interface shear strength (Yegian and Lahlaf 1992; Seed and Mitchell 1990; Martin et al. 1984). Often, interfaces in the liners have low friction angles with little to no cohesion. Under static conditions, because of the relative flat configuration of the bottom of the landfill, low shear stresses are mobilized across the liner, resulting in acceptable and often high static factors of safety. During an earthquake, however, inertial forces in the refuse mass may result in the mobilization of shear stresses in excess of the dynamic shear strengths of the liner materials.

To evaluate the magnitude of displacements that can accrue across the interface when shear strength is exceeded, the Newmark method is often used (Newmark 1965). For a given mass, limit equilibrium methods are used to evaluate the yield acceleration. The yield acceleration is the value of acceleration that, when multiplied by the total weight of the sliding mass, gives a large enough inertial driving force to make the factor of safety equal to one. To evaluate total displacement, the anticipated induced accelerations in excess of the yield acceleration can be integrated with respect to time to evaluate relative velocities, which can then be integrated to evaluate displacements.

In the present technical note, a simplified limit equilibrium method is presented and used to evaluate horizontal yield accelerations for a generalized lined landfill. The results of this analysis are compared to the results of conventional slope stability calculations, indicating excellent agreement. Example design charts to evaluate yield accelerations for typical staged-construction landfills using the simplified method are presented. Charts such as these, together with site specific estimates of induced accelerations, can be used to estimate seismically induced displacements. The method and the charts can be used to confirm the results of conventional stability analyses, typically requiring several hours of engineering effort. They can also be used directly for evaluating preliminary designs. The method can be augmented to account for different landfill configurations, such as sloping bases.

PROBLEM FORMULATION

Fig. 1 [Figure] shows the general configuration of a landfill of height, H, consisting of a block resting on a lined backfill slope at an inclination of s_1 horizontal to 1 vertical, a lined main block of length, L, and a lined face slope at an inclination of s_2 horizontal to 1 vertical. The liner interface is at the bottom of each block, and the blocks are composed of refuse of unit weight γ .

For the analysis, the following assumptions are made:

- 1. Only failures at the liner are considered.
- 2. Blocks act as rigid bodies.
- 3. Shear strength at the interface is uniformly mobilized.

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4. Vertical interblock forces are small and are ignored.

5. Foundation accelerations, *a*, expressed as the ratio of earthquake acceleration to gravitational acceleration, do not change the normal stress on the failure surface.

6. Strength along the failure surface can be described by the Mohr-Coulomb criterion, with a friction angle, ϕ , and no cohesion intercept.

7. Foundation acceleration is primarily horizontal.

Fig. 2 [Figure] shows free-body diagrams for each block and solutions for each of the individual forces acting on the blocks.

To solve for the horizontal yield acceleration, the sum of the driving forces (DF) due to the mass of the refuse and the inertial forces (IF) which must be overcome to horizontally accelerate the mass are set equal to the resisting forces (RF) due to full mobilization of friction at the liner interface in the horizontal direction. The driving force is given by the following expression:

 $DF = N_1 \sin \theta_1 = \gamma \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_1 (s_1 H^2/2)$

The sum of the inertial forces is given by

 $\mathbb{IF} = I_1 + I_2 + I_3 = a\gamma[(s_1 + s_2)H^2/2 + HL]$

The sum of the resisting forces is given by

 $RF = R_1 \cos \theta_1 + R_2 + R_3 = \gamma \tan \phi[(s_1 H^2/2) \cos^2 \theta_1]$

 $+HL + (s_2H^2/2)]$

Setting DF + IF = RF, and solving for *a*, acceleration:

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 $a = \frac{\left(\frac{s_1 H}{2} \cos^2 \theta_1 + L + \frac{s_2 H}{2}\right) \tan \phi - \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_1 \frac{s_1 H}{2}}{((s_1 + s_2)/2) H + L}$

Since frictional strength at the liner interface and the inertial and gravity driving forces in the refuse mass are directly proportional to the refuse weight, unit weight of refuse drops out of the equation.

Results from this simplified analysis have been compared to results from conventional slope-stability calculations. Fig. 3 [Figure \clubsuit] shows calculated yield accelerations for four landfill configurations: backslopes of 4h:1v and 2h:1v, fillslopes of 2h:1v, heights of 40 units, and lengths of 100, 180, 320, and 400 units. Yield accelerations were evaluated using the program UTEXAS3 (Wright 1990) and the simplified analysis. For the slope stability calculations, Spencer's method and noncircular failure surfaces located at the base of the refuse mass were used. Liner strengths were modeled using a thin layer of frictional material (ϕ equal to 8°, 10°, 12°, 15°, 20°, 25°, and 30°) with no cohesive strength. Review of the results indicates that the simplified method gives slightly lower estimates of yield acceleration.

Typically, when designing a landfill, the backfill slope and fill-face slope are prescribed. Yield acceleration for the landfill during staged filling can then be expressed as a function of liner friction angle, and the ratio of landfill stage length to stage height. Fig. 4 [Figure] presents example charts for evaluating yield accelerations for two typical landfill configurations: backfill slopes of 2 and 4h to 1v and fill slopes of 2h to 1v. Charts such as these can be developed for other landfill configurations, or the equations can be used directly.

Review of these charts indicate that when length-to-height ratios are high, yield acceleration is primarily a function of interface friction angle and becomes asymptotic to the tangent of the friction angle. At low length-to-height ratios, backfill slope has a significant impact on yield acceleration, with steeper slopes having lower yield accelerations. These results also indicate that yield accelerations for failures along landfill liners are likely to be low, with a high likelihood of deformation during seismic loading. In seismically active areas, such as the western United States, if deformation of the liner is excessive, or unacceptable, design of the staged landfill will have to incorporate additional stabilizing features. These might include base-slope buttresses, toe buttresses, or symmetrical filling plans. For landfills with sloped bases, such as canyon landfills, yield accelerations will be even larger. Mitigation of seismic deformation along the liner will likely be a key design constraint.

CONCLUSION

A simplified block analysis has been presented for evaluating the horizontal yield acceleration of a lined refuse mass. For typical liners that have interfaces with only frictional dynamic strength, yield acceleration is found to be a function of interface friction angle, backfill slope, face slope, and height and length of the refuse mass. Comparisons with conventional slope stability computations indicate good to slightly conservative results.

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Assumptions

Shear strength at interface is uniformly mobilized. Vertical interblock forces are minimal and are ignored. Unit weight of refuse - γ Minimum friction angle at interface - given by ϕ . Seismic acceleration does not change normal stress on failure plane. Blocks act as rigid bodies.

FIG. 1. General Configuration of Idealized Landfill and Analytical Assumptions

Yield Acceleration of Lined Landfills

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Free body Diagrams:



Solutions for Weight (W), Normal (N), Limit Shear (R) and Inertial (I) Forces:

FIG. 2. Free Body Diagrams of Landfill Blocks and Resolution of Forces

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$$1*(s_{2}H^{2}/2)\gamma$$

 $R_3 = N_3 \tan \phi$

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FIG. 3. Comparison of Simplified Solution to Spencer's Solution for Fill Slopes of 2h:1v and Backfill Slopes of the Following: (a) 2h:1v; (b) 4h:1v

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FIG. 4. Design Charts for Evaluating Yield Accelerations for Lined Landfills with Liner Strengths of 8°, 10°, 12°, 15°, 20°, and 25°, Fill Slopes of 2h:1v and Backfill Slopes of (a) 2h:1v and (b) 4h:1v. (Yield acceleration is for failures at liner only; other failure modes, such as through foundation or refuse mass, should also be considered.)