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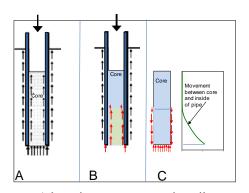


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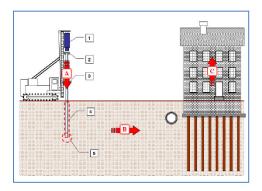
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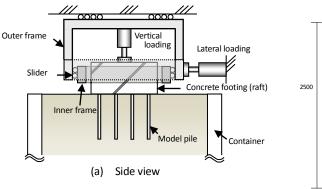
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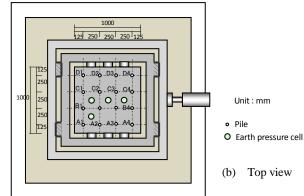


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## June-2015 Issue: Pile Foundation Edited By San-Shyan Lin, Charng Hsien Juang and Robert Liang

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His professional services include:

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- Co-Editor in Chief, Engineering Geology (2012-present)
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- Editorial Board, Journal of GeoEngineering (2006-present)
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## SPECIAL FEATURE STORY ON "Liquefaction Problems in the 21st Century"

by Prof Ikuo Towhata

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Towhata, I. (1999). Air photographs of the Niigata city immediately after the earthquake in 1964, Japanese Geotechnical Society, ISBN4-88644-054-1.

Towhata, I. (2008) Geotechnical Earthquake Engineering, ISBN 978-3-540-35782-7, pringer Verlag-Berlin Heidelberg.

Towhata, I. and Jiang, Y.-J., 2010. Geotechnical Aspects of 2008 Wenchuan earthquake, China, Chapter 8, Advances in Earthquake Geotechnical Engineering, Springer.

Professor Towhata has won many awards and among them the Japanese Geotechnical Society; Technological Development Award in 2015; Japan Society of Civil Engineers; Best book publication award in 2009; Japanese Geotechnical Society, Award for the Best Paper of the Year 2003; 2004 and the best twelve papers out of 600 at GeoEng2000 Conference at Melbourne in 2000

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#### **PREFACE**

The theme of the 2015 June issue is Pile Foundations. The guest editors for this special issue are Professor San-Shyan Lin at National Taiwan Ocean University, Taiwan, Prof. Charng Hsein Juang at Clemson University, USA, and Prof. Robert Liang at Akron University, USA contributed to the editorial management. Prof. A.S. Balasubramaniam as the Editor-in-Chief and Dr. Teik Aun Ooi as the President of SEAGS strongly supported the launch of this special issue on Pile Foundations.

The topics and scope covered in this special issue are comprehensive and interdisciplinary, ranging from back-analysis of pile load test, piled-raft analysis, ground vibration caused by impact pile driving, analysis of bi-direction-cell test, effect of aging on barrette pile, comparison on dynamic response of a single pile using different approaches, response of "plug" in open-toe pipe pile, effect of toe grouting of IGM socketed drilled shaft, reliability-based design on foundation and ultimate resistance of drilled shaft by probabilistic approach. The issue is comprised of twelve papers with a selection of the authors from seven countries involving Canada, Japan, Lebanon, Sweden, Taiwan, Thailand and USA.

Niazi and Mayne develops new sets of shear stiffness reduction curves from the back-analyses of 299 static axial pile load tests from 61 sites towards the implementation of a non-linear load-displacement response method for pile foundations. Subsequently, the elastic continuum solution is exploited by them to present a methodology for drawing the stiffness reduction curves as functions of depth. These curves are further utilized in modeling the pile as a stack of smaller shaft segments embedded in multi-layered soils. Hamada et al. presents static cyclic lateral loading tests on large-scale piled raft foundations carried out to investigate the influence of vertical load and pile spacing ratios during earthquakes. Yamashita et al. applies and modifies the simple method proposed by Clancy and Randolph (1996) on piled raft analysis. Four case histories in Japan are examined through comparisons with the field monitoring results. Massarsch and Fellenius describe the application of the Swedish standard which regulates permissible ground vibrations caused by driving of piles, sheet piles, or ground compaction. Fellenius explains how to use the bidirectional-cell test data on a pile to establish the load distribution for the pile, which enabled determining the distribution of the effective-stress beta-coefficients for the pile response Teparaksa presents testing process and discusses the result of different barrette pile static load tests, especially on aging effect on pile capacity. Lu and Chang presents a case study on dynamic behaviors of coal ash soils obtained in a landfilled field in north Taiwan and also the dynamic interaction of a single pile foundation sitting in the landfills. Fellenius recommends how to analyze the response of an open-toe pile. A comparison is also provided between the results of a simulated static loading test on a closed-toe and an open-toe pipe pile. Lin et al. presents the axial performance of two heavily instrumented drilled shafts, with and without toe grouting, socket in intermediate geomaterials in Taipei city. Abdallah et al. presents the results of a comprehensive investigation that is conducted to study the effect of choosing different proof-load test programs on the reliability of piles. Luo et al. evaluates and compares existing probabilistic approaches for determining the ultimate resistance of drilled shafts in sands considering the spatial variability of soil properties.

We consider that this special issue presents and illustrates the outcome of some of the state-of-the-art research on pile foundations, and hope that it will make an important contribution to this growing field in the years to come.

San-Shyan Lin Charng Hsein Juang Robert Liang

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The lead editor of the June 2015 Issue on Piled Foundation is Prof. San Shyan Lin with team members Prof. Charng Hsein Juang and Prof. Robert Liang. Prof. San Shyan Lin is of immense help to the SEAGS-AGSSEA Journal as a Member of the Team of Editor in Chief. It is worthy to mention that the Taiwan Geotechnical Society is the most active supporter of all SEAGS-AGSSEA activities including the Journal. There were many Issues of the Journal editted by members of CTGS (Chinese Taipei Geotechnical Society). They also contribute many articles and this is a most welcome culture which should be a model example to follow by other AGSSEA member countries. Gradually, we have been very successful in engaging members of AGSSEA to contribute to the journal and take much of the responsibility in contributing articles, engaged in reviewing and other aspects related to the journal. The country issues in 2016 and the Anniversary Issues in 2017 will further enhance the success in the active participation of AGSSEA members in the journal.

In the preface, Prof. San Shyan Lin and his team has already covered adequately the contents of the papers from an international set of prestigious authors and all articles were also reviewed by experts in the field. Details of the reviewers will be assembled in the December Issue for all the articles published in 2015. SEAGS-AGSSEA Journal is always very practice oriented and this well reflected in the contributions contained in this issue as well.

There are twelve excellent papers written by well known authors from : USA, Japan, Sweden, Canada, Thailand, Taiwan and other countries. No doubt, this Issue will be most useful to our Profession and all those who are engaged in Pile Foundation Research and Practice. Sincere thanks to all who have contributed to the success of this issue of our journal under the able leadership of Prof. San Shyan Lin

We are grateful to Professor Ikuo Towhata for his contribution of Special Feature Story on "Liquefaction Problems in the 21st Century" in this issue.

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