

CV3013 2021/22 Sem 1

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(a) Borehole Depth

1. Include all significantly affected strata
2. Extend below all soft/weak strata
3. If rock encountered, extend >3m to confirm bedrock
4. Check locations of utilities, services, tunnels



(b)

Parameter	SPT	FVT	PMT	CPT	DMT	PLT
Consolidation characteristics: m_v , C_c						
Stiffness properties: G , G_0			G	G_0^* (SCPTU)	G , G_0^*	YES
Drained strength properties: ϕ' , c'	YES		YES	YES	YES	YES
Undrained strength properties: c_u (in-situ)	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
Soil state properties: I_D , OCR, K_0	I_D		K_0 (via σ_{ho})	I_D , OCR (K_0)	ALL	
Permeability: k				YES [†]	YES [‡]	

Notes: *Using a seismic instrument (i.e. SCPTU or SDMT). [†]Via a dissipation test on a piezocone (CPTU or SCPTU) – i.e. stopping penetration and measuring decay of u_3 (see Further Reading). [‡]By stopping DMT expansion and measuring decay of cavity pressure (see Further Reading).

CPT is the most reliable.

- Provides continuous data
- Strong theoretical basis for interpretation
- Suitable for various types of soil (unlike PMT which is better for cohesive soils)

} unlike SPT



(c) Area ratio, C_a . The ratio between the volume of displaced soil to the

volume of sample. $C_a = \frac{V \text{ of displaced soil}}{V \text{ of sample}}$



$$(d) C_a = \frac{d_1^2 - d_3^2}{d_3^2} = \frac{48^2 - 46^2}{46^2} \times 100\% = 8.9\% < 10\% \quad \text{OK!}$$

∴ OK for undisturbed samples.

$$(e) C_a = \frac{d_4^2 - d_5^2}{d_5^2} = \frac{52^2 - 45^2}{45^2} \times 100\% = 33.5\% > 10\% \quad \text{NOT OK!}$$

∴ Not OK for undisturbed samples.

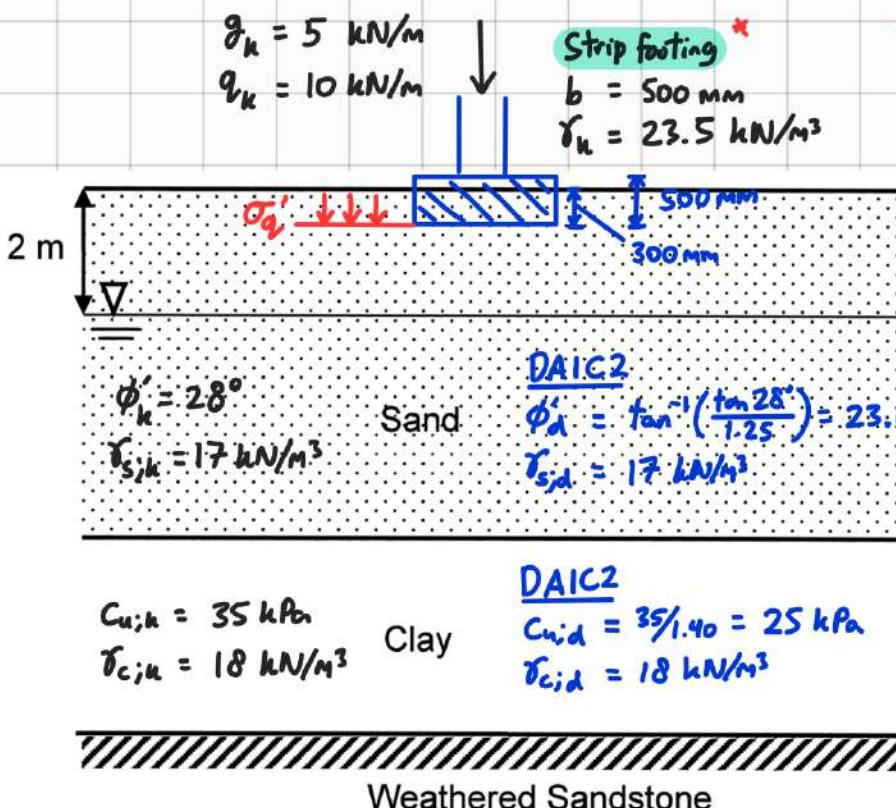
- ② (a) Limit States are the criteria a structure must satisfy to ensure its performance.
- Ultimate Limit State (ULS) → deals with forces that may cause failure (bearing capacity, shaft resistance, stability, etc.)
 - Serviceability Limit State (SLS) → deals with displacements, etc. that may affect the functionality of the structure.

$$\sum \gamma_A Q \leq \frac{R \left(\frac{X}{\gamma_X} \right)}{\gamma_R} \quad (\text{All } \gamma \geq 1.0)$$

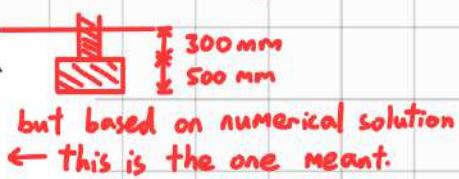
To allow for margin of error, the actions (load) Q is multiplied by γ_Q , while the material strength properties X is reduced by γ_X . The corresponding resistance R (which is dependent on X) is also reduced by γ_R .

The partial factor γ depends on the limit state considered.

(b)



* "embedded 300 mm below the ground surface" may be ambiguous as it might also mean:



(i) DA1C1

$$N_q = \frac{(1 + \sin 28^\circ)}{(1 - \sin 28^\circ)} e^{\frac{\pi \tan(28^\circ)}{\tan 28^\circ}} = 14.72$$

$$N_c = \frac{14.72 - 1}{\tan 28^\circ} = 25.8$$

$$N_\gamma = 2(14.72 - 1) \tan 28^\circ = 14.6$$

$$S_q = 1 ; S_c = \frac{1(14.72) - 1}{14.72 - 1} = 1 ; S_r = 1$$

Case 1: $d_w \leq d$	$\gamma' = \gamma - \gamma_w$
Case 2: $d < d_w < d+B$	$\gamma' = \gamma - \gamma_w \left[1 - \left(\frac{d_w - d}{B} \right) \right]$
Case 3: $d + B \leq d_w$	$\gamma' = \gamma$ (d_w = depth of GWT)

For $0.5\gamma' B s_y N_y$

$$d = 0.3 \text{ m} \quad d_w = 2 \text{ m} \geq d_w + B \rightarrow \gamma' = \gamma$$

$$d + B = 0.8 \text{ m}$$

$$\sigma'_q = 17 \times 0.3 = 5.1 \text{ kPa}$$

$$q_f = (1)(25.8)(0) + (1)(14.72)(5.1) + 0.5(17)(0.5)(1)(14.6) = 137.1 \text{ kPa}$$

$$R_d = q_f \times B = 137.1 \times 0.5 = 68.6 \text{ kN/m}$$

$$Q_d = 1.35(5 + 23.5 \times 0.5 \times 0.5) + 1.5(10) = 29.7 \text{ kN/m} < R_d \text{ OK!}$$

DA1C2

$$N_q = \frac{(1 + \sin 23^\circ)}{(1 - \sin 23^\circ)} e^{\pi \tan(23^\circ)} = 8.7$$

$$N_c = \frac{8.7 - 1}{\tan 23^\circ} = 18.1$$

$$N_r = 2(8.7 - 1) \tan 23^\circ = 6.55$$

$$S_q = 1 ; S_c = \frac{1(8.7) - 1}{8.7 - 1} = 1 ; S_r = 1$$

$$\sigma'_q = 17 \times 0.3 = 5.1 \text{ kPa}$$

$$q_f = (1)(18.05)(0) + (1)(8.7)(5.1) + 0.5(17)(0.5)(1)(6.55) = 72.2 \text{ kPa}$$

$$R_d = q_f \times B = 72.2 \times 0.5 = 36.1 \text{ kN/m}$$

$$Q_d = 1.0(5 + 23.5 \times 0.5 \times 0.5) + 1.3(10) = 23.9 \text{ kN/m} < R_d \text{ OK!}$$

$$(ii) q = (5 + 23.5 \times 0.5 \times 0.5) = 10.9 \text{ kN/m}$$

Sand

Let $z_L \approx 1 \text{ m}$,

$$\bar{N}_{60} = \frac{10}{1} = 10$$

$$I_c = \frac{1.71}{(10)^{1.4}} \times 100\% = 6.81\%$$

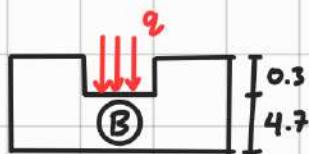
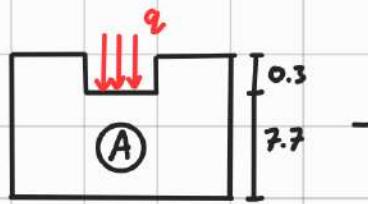
$$S = 10.9 \times (0.5)^{0.7} \times 6.81\% = 0.457 \text{ m}$$

$$F_s = 1.0$$

$$F_L = 1.0$$

$$F_e = 1.0 \text{ (immediate)} \quad S_{\text{sand}} = 0.457 \text{ m}$$

Clay



$$E_u;h = 6 \text{ MPa}$$

$$(A): \frac{d}{B} = \frac{0.3}{0.5} = 0.6$$

$$\frac{H}{B} = \frac{7.7}{0.5} = 15.4$$

$$\frac{L}{B} = \infty$$

$$M_0 = 0.95$$

$$M_1 = 1.55$$

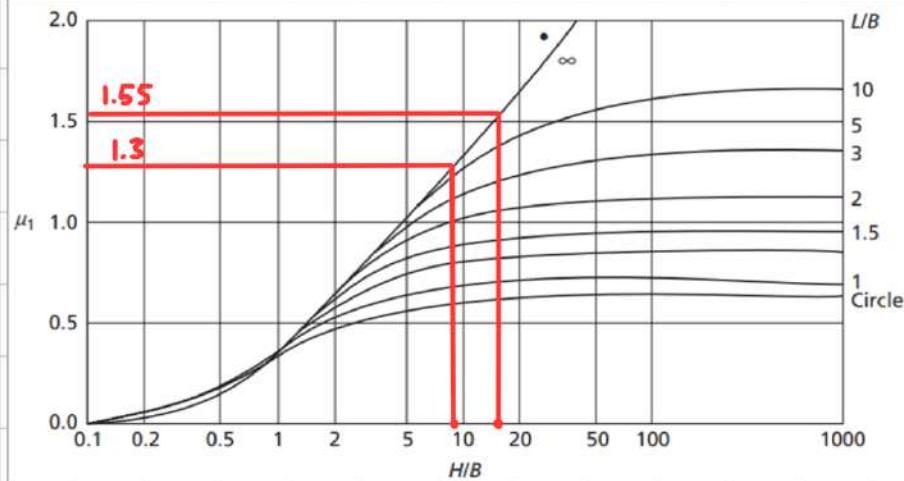
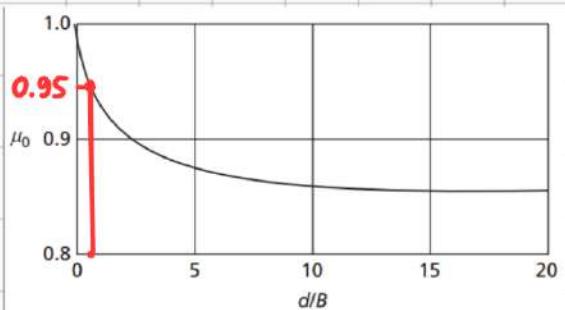
$$(B): \frac{d}{B} = \frac{0.3}{0.5} = 0.6$$

$$\frac{H}{B} = \frac{4.7}{0.5} = 9.4$$

$$\frac{L}{B} = \infty$$

$$M_0 = 0.95$$

$$M_1 = 1.3$$



$$S_A = 0.95 \times 1.55 \times \frac{10.9 \times 0.5}{6} = 1.338$$

$$S_B = 0.95 \times 1.3 \times \frac{10.9 \times 0.5}{6} = 1.122$$

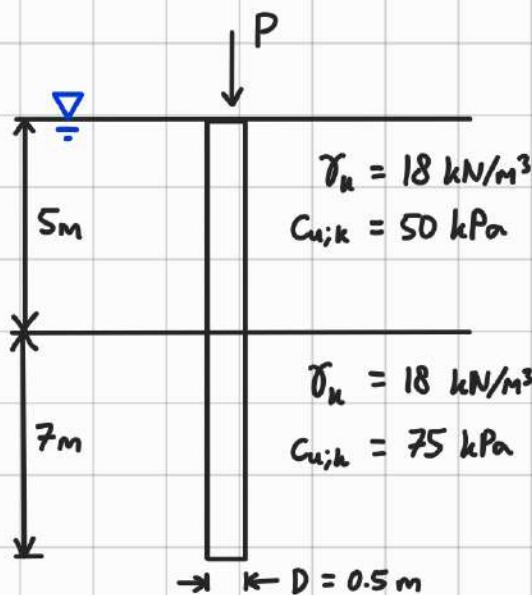
$$S_{\text{clay}} = S_A - S_B = 1.338 - 1.122 = 0.216 \text{ m}$$

$$\therefore \text{Immediate settlement} = S_{\text{sand}} + S_{\text{clay}}$$
$$= 0.457 + 0.216 = 0.673 \text{ m} > 125 \text{ mm} \quad \text{NOT OK!}$$

Possible solutions :

- Increase width of foundation to reduce q ,
- Perform ground improvement works on the soil (temporary surcharge, drains, compaction, etc.)
- Replace soft soil with strong fill materials

(3.) (a)



Use M1 if no negative skin friction

DA1C2 (M1)

$$\gamma_d = 18 \text{ kN/m}^3$$

$$D = 0.5 \text{ m}$$

$$C_{u;d} = 50 \text{ kPa}$$

$$\gamma_k; \text{concrete} = 23.5 \text{ kN/m}^3$$

$$\xi = 1.55$$

$$\gamma_d = 18 \text{ kN/m}^3$$

$$C_{u;d} = 75 \text{ kPa}$$

End Bearing

$$\sigma_q = (18 \times 5) + (18 \times 7) = 216 \text{ kPa}$$

$$N_c = (2 + \pi) \left(1 + 0.27 \sqrt{\frac{7}{0.5}} \right) = 10.3 > 9.0 \Rightarrow \text{use } 9.0$$

$$Q_{b;u} = \left(\frac{\pi}{4} \times 0.5^2 \right) \times [9.0 \times 75 + (18 \times 12)] = 174.9 \text{ kN}$$

$$Q_{b;k} = \frac{Q_{b;u}}{\xi} = \frac{174.9}{1.55} = 112.8 \text{ kN}$$

Shaft Resistance

Bored Pile \rightarrow non-displacement pile

Clay 1

$$30 < C_u = 50 < 150 \text{ kPa}$$

$$\alpha = 1.16 - \left(\frac{50}{185} \right) = 0.890 \Rightarrow \tau_{int} = 0.890 \times 50 = 44.49 \text{ kPa}$$

Clay 2

$$30 < C_u = 75 < 150 \text{ kPa}$$

$$\alpha = 1.16 - \left(\frac{75}{185} \right) = 0.755 \Rightarrow \tau_{int} = 0.755 \times 75 = 56.63 \text{ kPa}$$

$$Q_{s;k} = \frac{Q_{s;u}}{\xi} = \frac{44.49 \times (\pi \times 0.5 \times 5) + 56.63 \times (\pi \times 0.5 \times 7)}{1.55} = 627.2 \text{ kN}$$

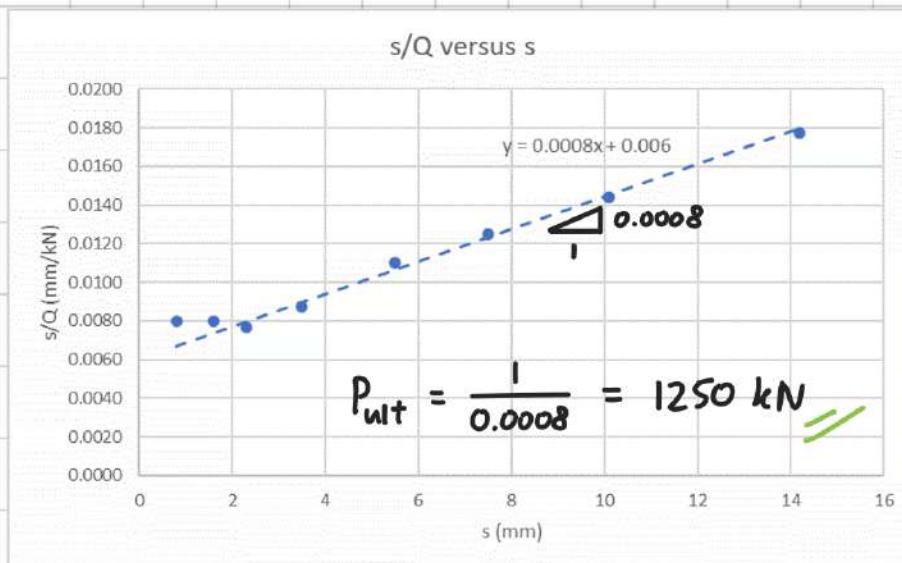
Find pile resistance

$$R_d = \frac{Q_{b;h} + Q_{s;h}}{\sigma_t} = \frac{112.8 + 627.2}{2} = 370 \text{ kN}$$

- (b)
- Single pile failure (Mode 1) : one or more piles may fail and hence reduces the foundation's load bearing capacity.
 - Block failure (Mode 2) : the whole block of soil beneath the pile cap and enclosed by the piles fail as a single pier.

(c)

Q (kN)	s (mm)	s/Q (mm/kN)
100	0.8	0.0080
200	1.6	0.0080
300	2.3	0.0077
400	3.5	0.0088
500	5.5	0.0110
600	7.5	0.0125
700	10.1	0.0144
800	14.2	0.0178



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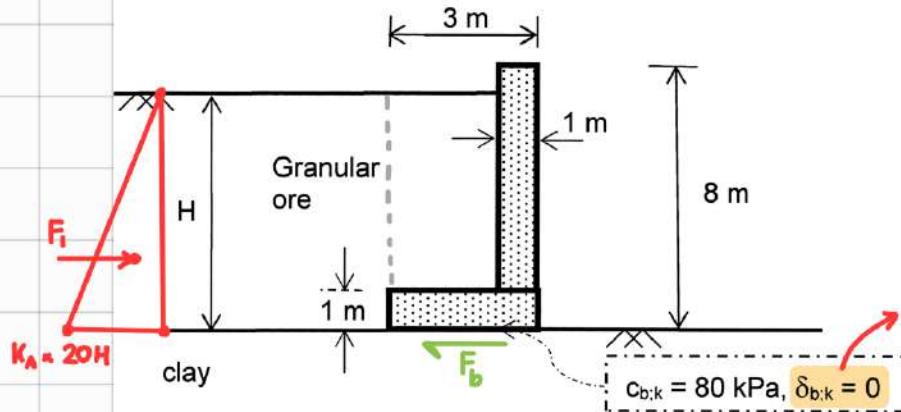
(a) (i) DA1C1

$$\gamma_{ore;d} = 20 \text{ kN/m}^3$$

$$\phi'_{ore;d} = 36^\circ$$

$$\gamma_{c;k} = 25 \text{ kN/m}^3$$

$$K_a = \frac{1 - \sin 36^\circ}{1 + \sin 36^\circ} = 0.260$$



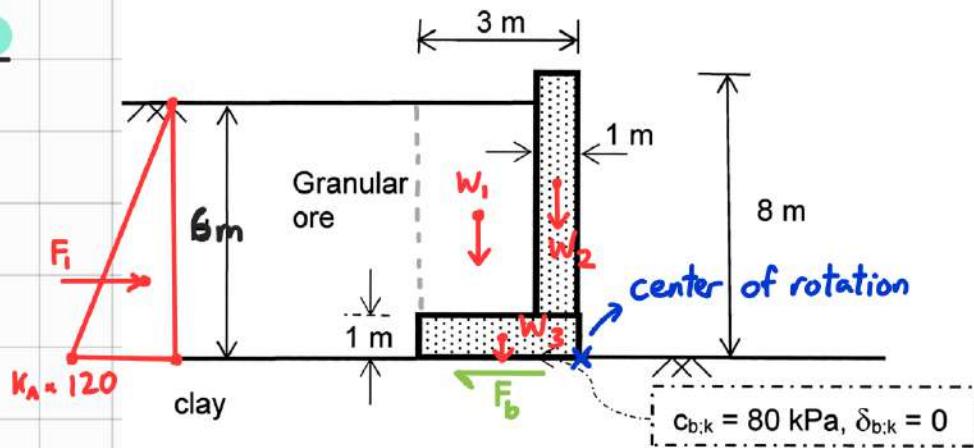
$$F_i = 0.260 \times \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 20H \times H \right) = 2.6 H^2 \text{ kN}$$

$$F_b = 80 \times 3 = 240 \text{ kN}$$

$$ODF = \frac{R_d}{E_d} = \frac{240}{1.35 \times 2.6 H^2} = 1.2 \Rightarrow 240 = 4.212 H^2$$

$$H = 7.55 \text{ m}$$

(ii) DA1C1



$$F_i = 0.260 \times \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 120 \times 6 \right) = 93.6 \text{ kN}$$

$$F_b = 80 \times 3 = 240 \text{ kN}$$

$$W_1 = 20 \times (2 \times 5) = 200 \text{ kN}$$

$$W_2 = 25 \times (1 \times 7) = 175 \text{ kN}$$

$$W_3 = 25 \times (3 \times 1) = 75 \text{ kN}$$

$$M_i = 93.6 \times \left(\frac{1}{3} \times 6 \right) = 187.2 \text{ kNm}$$

$$M_b = 0$$

$$M_{W_1} = 200 \times 2 = 400 \text{ kNm}$$

$$M_{W_2} = 175 \times 0.5 = 87.5 \text{ kNm}$$

$$M_{W_3} = 75 \times 1.5 = 112.5 \text{ kNm}$$

$$ODF = \frac{R_d}{E_d} = \frac{1.0 (400 + 87.5 + 112.5)}{1.35 \times 187.2} = 2.37 > 1.0 \quad \text{OK!}$$

(b) DA1C2

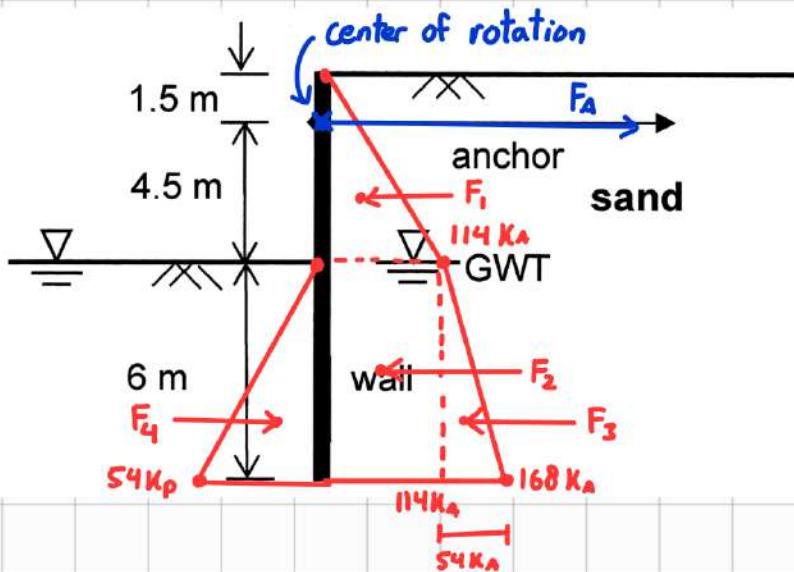
$$\gamma_h = 19 \text{ kN/m}^3 \rightarrow \gamma_d = 19 \text{ kN/m}^3$$

$$\phi'_k = 30^\circ \rightarrow \phi'_d = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\tan 30^\circ}{1.25}\right) = 24.8^\circ$$

$$K_A = \frac{1 - \sin 24.8^\circ}{1 + \sin 24.8^\circ} = 0.409$$

$$K_p = \frac{1 + \sin 24.8^\circ}{1 - \sin 24.8^\circ} = 2.445$$

Free earth support \rightarrow No force R acting at the bottom of the wall.



Note:
water pressure cancels each other due to equal GWT.

$$F_1 = 0.409 \times \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 114 \times 6 \right) = 139.9 \text{ kN}$$

$$F_2 = 0.409 \times (114 \times 6) = 279.8 \text{ kN}$$

$$F_3 = 0.409 \times \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 54 \times 6 \right) = 66.3 \text{ kN}$$

$$F_4 = 2.445 \times \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 54 \times 6 \right) = 396.1 \text{ kN}$$

$$F_A = ?$$

$$M_1 = 139.9 \times \left(4.5 \times \frac{2}{3} - 1.5 \right) = 209.9 \text{ kNm}$$

$$M_2 = 279.8 \times \left(4.5 + \frac{6}{2} \right) = 2098.5 \text{ kNm}$$

$$M_3 = 66.3 \times \left(4.5 + 6 \times \frac{2}{3} \right) = 563.6 \text{ kNm}$$

$$M_4 = 396.1 \times \left(4.5 + 6 \times \frac{2}{3} \right) = 3366.9 \text{ kNm}$$

$$M_A = 0$$

$$\text{Overturning ODF} = \frac{R_A}{E_A} = \frac{1.0 \times 3366.9}{1.0 \times (209.9 + 2098.5 + 563.6)}$$

$$= 1.172 > 1.0 \quad \text{OK!}$$

Minimum anchor force required,

$$F_{dst} = F_{stb}$$

$$1.0 \times (139.9 + 279.8 + 66.3) = 1.0 \times (396.1 + F_A)$$

$$F_A = 89.9 \text{ kN/m}$$

For 4m spacing, $F_A = 4 \times 89.9 = 359.6 \text{ kN/anchor}$