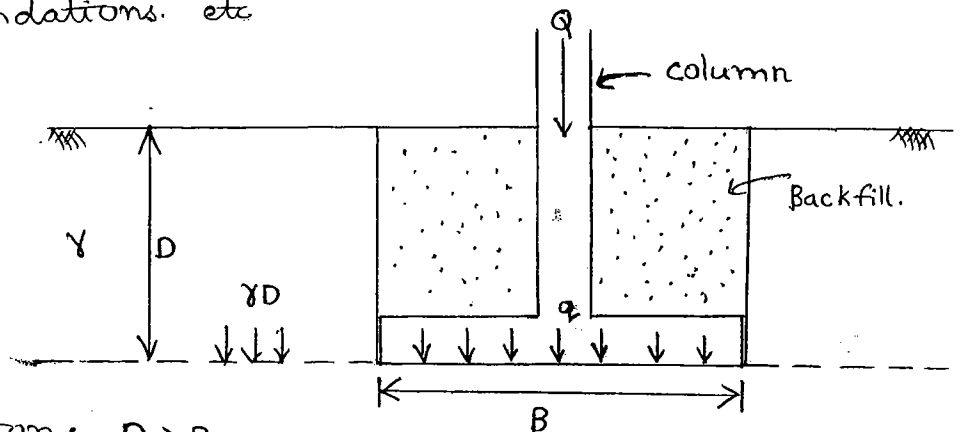


25th sept,
THURSDAY

16. BEARING CAPACITY

* Shallow Foundation : $D \leq B$

Eg: Spread footings
Raft foundations. etc



* Deep Foundation: $D > B$

Eg: Pile foundation
Well foundation.

* Original overburden pressure due to self weight of soil
 $= \gamma D$

Gross Pressure $= q$

Net Pressure, $q_n = q - \gamma D$

* Gross Ultimate BC of soil
or Ultimate BC of soil } q_u

Min. gross pressure required to cause shear failure
of soils

* Net Ultimate BC of soil, $q_{nu} = q_u - \gamma D$.

Min. net pressure required to cause shear failure
of soils.

* Net safe BC of soil, $q_{ns} = \frac{q_{nu}}{F}$ ($F=3$) (74)
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* Gross safe BC of soil
or Safe BC of soil $\left. \vphantom{\begin{matrix} * \\ * \end{matrix}} \right\} q_s = q_{ns} + \gamma D$

* Net safe settlement pressure, q_{np} .

It is the ^{max.} net pressure which the soil can carry without exceeding allowable settlement.

* Net Allowable BC of soil, $q_{na} = \text{Smaller of } q_{ns} \text{ or } q_{np}$

$q_{ns} \rightarrow$ based on shear failure criteria

$q_{np} \rightarrow$ based on settlement criteria.

It is the net pressure at which soil neither fails in shear nor undergoes excessive settlement.

$\rightarrow$ Condition to be satisfied for Design of Foundation

The external pressure on soil $\leq$ net allowable BC of soil

$$q_n \leq q_{na}$$

* If footing is backfilled,

$$q_n \approx \frac{Q}{A}$$

where $Q =$ column load.

$A =$ area of footing

* If footing is not backfilled, (raft)

$$q_n = \frac{Q}{A} - \gamma D$$

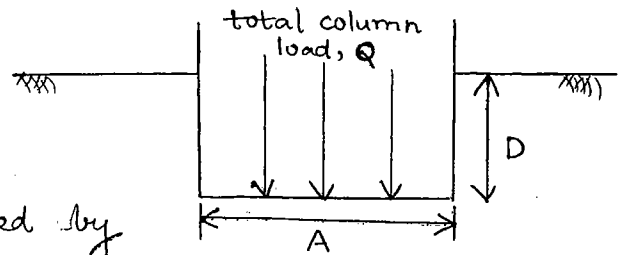
It is based on the assumption that self weight of concrete is equal to unit weight of soil ($\gamma_c = 25$; $\gamma_s = 20$)

→ Compensated Raft Foundation. (Floating Raft.)

$$q_n = \frac{Q}{A} - \gamma D.$$

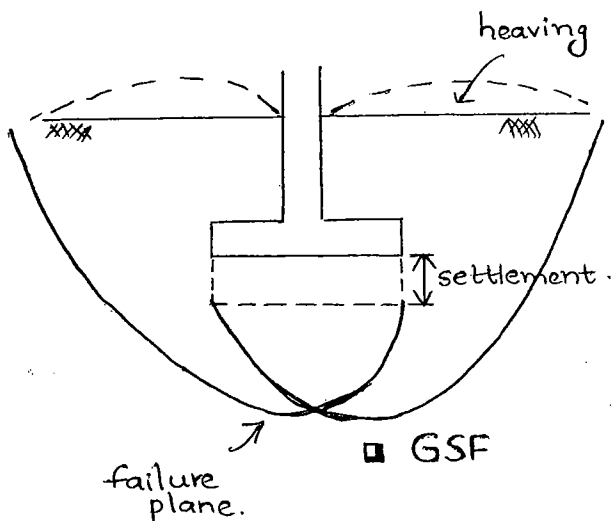
If $\gamma D = \frac{Q}{A}$; $q_n = 0$

Pressure applied is just balanced by pressure released.

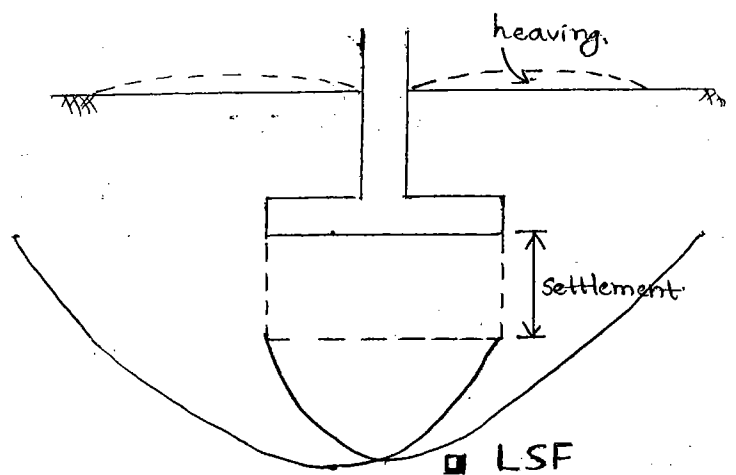


→ Types of Shear Failure:

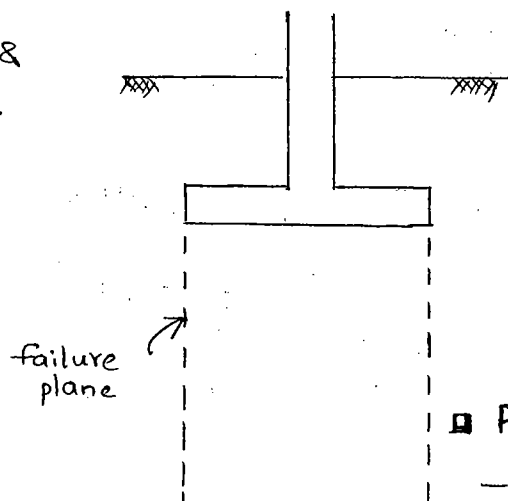
1. General Shear Failure (GSF)
2. Local Shear Failure (LSF).
3. Punching Shear Failure (PSF).



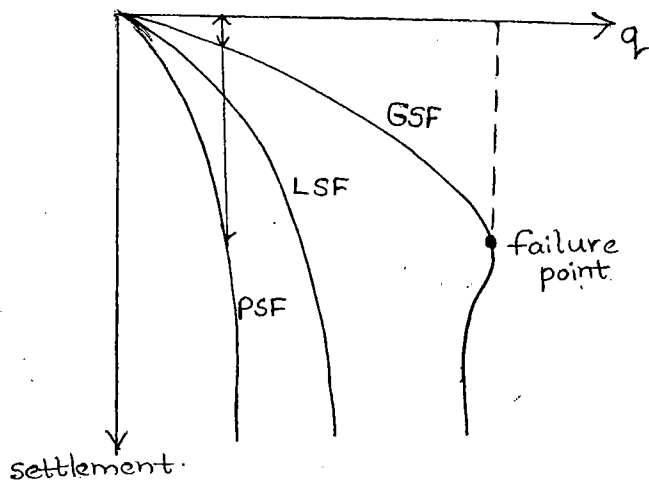
- dense sand & stiff clays.



- medium dense sand & medium clays.



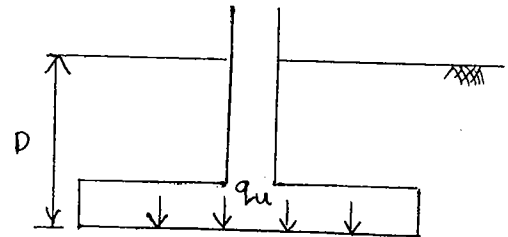
- loose sand & soft clays.



- For GSF, there will be a definite failure point.
- For the same load intensity, $(\text{Settlement})_{\text{PSF}} > (\text{Settlement})_{\text{GSF}}$

→ Rankine's Theory

- Soil is cohesionless.
- Footing base is smooth.
- Plastic equilibrium.



$$q_u = \gamma D \left(\frac{1 + \sin \phi}{1 - \sin \phi} \right)^2$$

To avoid shear failure of soil, the min. depth of foundation required,

$$D_{\min} = \frac{q}{\gamma} \left(\frac{1 - \sin \phi}{1 + \sin \phi} \right)^2$$

$$D_{\min} = \frac{q}{\gamma} k a^2$$

However, as per this equation, as $D=0$, $q_u=0$; which is not possible. So this equation is not used to calculate bearing capacity.

→ Terzaghi's Theory

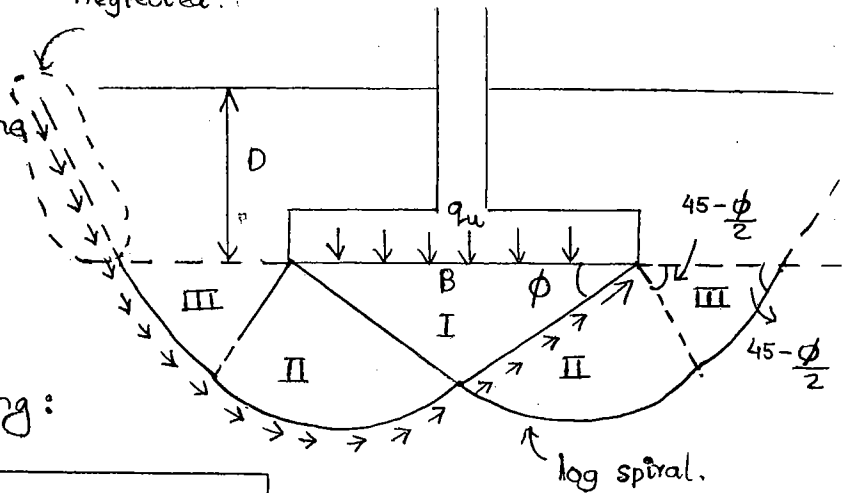
- Footing base is rough.
- shallow foundation
- Continuous footing (Strip footing, $L \gg B$)
- General Shear Failure.

Zone I: Elastic Zone

Zone II: Radial Shear Zone

Zone III: Rankine Passive Zone

neglected.



* for Continuous footing:

$$q_u = C N_c + \gamma D N_q + 0.5 \gamma B N_\gamma$$

$N_c, N_q, N_\gamma \rightarrow$ Bearing Capacity Factors of Soil.
(depends on ϕ -value only)

ϕ	N_c	N_q	N_γ

If $\phi = 0$ (Pure Clay),

$$N_c = 5.7$$

$$N_q = 1$$

$$N_\gamma = 0$$

$\therefore$ For pure clay,

$$q_u = 5.7 C + \gamma D$$

$$q_{nu} = q_u - \gamma D.$$

$$\Rightarrow q_{nu} = 5.7 C$$

q_{nu} is independent of B & D of foundation for pure clay.

$$q_u = C N_c + \gamma D N_q + 0.5 \gamma B N_\gamma$$

$$q_{nu} = q_u - \gamma D.$$

$$= C N_c + \gamma D (N_q - 1) + 0.5 \gamma B N_\gamma$$

$$\Rightarrow q_{ns} = \frac{q_{nu}}{F}$$

$$\therefore q_s = q_{ns} + \gamma D$$

* for circular footing

$$q_u = 1.3 C N_c + \gamma D N_q + 0.3 \gamma B N_\gamma$$

where, $B \rightarrow$ diameter of footing

* for square footing

$$q_u = 1.3 C N_c + \gamma D N_q + 0.4 \gamma B N_\gamma$$

0.3, 0.5, 1.3, 0.4 are called 'shape factors'

* for rectangular footing

$$q_u = \left(1 + 0.3 \frac{B}{L}\right) C N_c + \gamma D N_q + \left(1 - 0.2 \frac{B}{L}\right) 0.5 \gamma B N_\gamma$$

All the above equations are for GSF.

— For LSF, use C_m & ϕ_m to find BC of soil.

$$C_m = \frac{2}{3} C \quad \& \quad \tan \phi_m = \frac{2}{3} \tan \phi$$

$$\therefore q_u = C_m N_c' + \gamma D N_q' + 0.5 \gamma B N_\gamma'$$

N_c' , N_m' , N_γ' are based on ϕ_m value.

— If $\phi > 36^\circ \Rightarrow$ GSF

$\phi < 28^\circ \Rightarrow$ LSF

— If failure strain $< 5\% \Rightarrow$ GSF

failure strain 10 to 20% $\Rightarrow$ LSF

20th sept, SATURDAY $\rightarrow$ Effect of Water Table on Bearing Capacity of Soil:

$$q_u = C N_c + \gamma D N_q + 0.5 \gamma B N_\gamma$$

(I)

(II)

(III)

cohesion effect

Depth effect

width effect.

1. When water table is at or above GL

$$q_u = c'N_c + \gamma' D N_q + 0.5 \gamma' B N_\gamma$$

2. When water table is at footing level.

$$q_u = c'N_c + \gamma D N_q + 0.5 \gamma' B N_\gamma$$

3. When water table is at a level ③-③

⊙ No effect of water table.

4. When water table is at level ④-④

$$q_u = c'N_c + \gamma_a D N_q + 0.5 \gamma' B N_\gamma$$

$$\gamma_a = \frac{z_{w1} \gamma + (D - z_{w1}) \gamma'}{D}$$

5. When water table is at level ⑤-⑤

$$\gamma_a = \frac{z_{w2} \times \gamma + (B - z_{w2}) \gamma'}{B}$$

$$q_u = c'N_c + \gamma D N_q + 0.5 \gamma_a B N_\gamma$$

* Approximate Method:

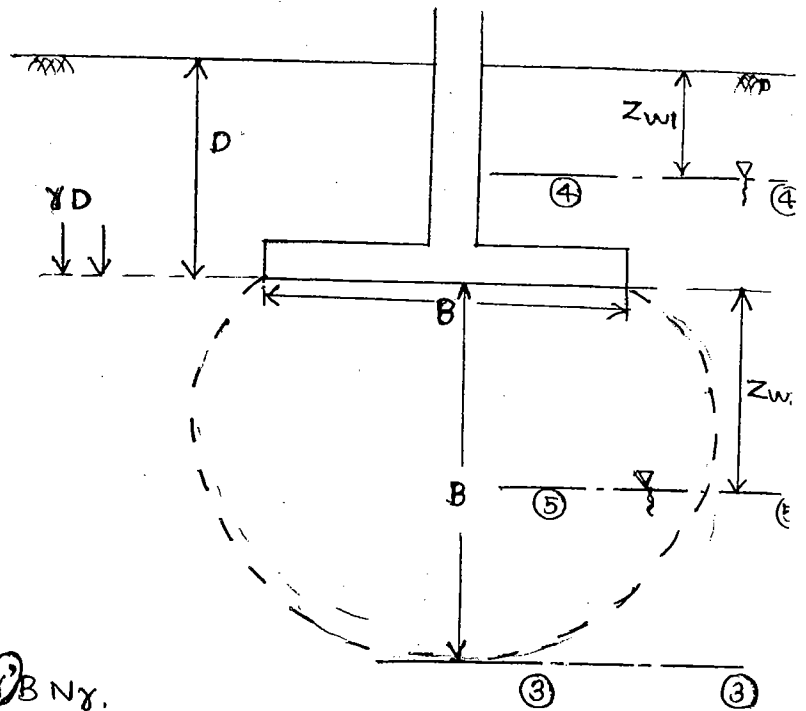
$$q_u = c'N_c + \gamma D N_q R_{w1} + 0.5 \gamma B N_\gamma R_{w2}$$

R_{w1} & $R_{w2} \rightarrow$ water table correction factors

$$R_{w1} = 0.5 \left[1 + \frac{z_{w1}}{D} \right]$$

$$R_{w2} = 0.5 \left[1 + \frac{z_{w2}}{B} \right]$$

$$0.5 \leq R_w \leq 1$$



If WT is at GL:

$$Z_{w1} = Z_{w2} = 0$$

$$R_{w1} = R_{w2} = 0.5$$

If WT at footing level: (77)

$$Z_{w1} = D ; R_{w1} = 1$$

$$Z_{w2} = 0 ; R_{w2} = 0.5$$

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If WT is below the footing:

$$R_{w1} = 1 \text{ (no correction reqd.)}$$

If WT is above footing:

$$Z_{w2} = 0$$

$$R_{w2} = 0.5$$

If WT is at a depth B below footing:

$$R_{w1} = R_{w2} = 1 \text{ (no correction reqd.)}$$

For cohesionless soils,

$$q_u = \gamma D N_q R_{w1} + 0.5 \gamma B N_\gamma R_{w2}$$

Q If WT is at or above GL, $R_{w1} = R_{w2} = 0.5$

$$q_u = \gamma D N_q \underset{R_{w1}}{(0.5)} + (0.5 \gamma B N_\gamma) \underset{R_{w2}}{(0.5)}$$

$\therefore$ for cohesionless soils, bearing capacity reduces by 50% when WT raises to GL.

In case of cohesive soils, the effect of WT on the bearing capacity is negligible.

$$q_{nu} = 5.7 C \text{ (no '}\gamma\text{' included)}$$

→ Skempton's Theory:

— For cohesive soils only ($\phi = 0$)

$$q_{nu} = C N_c$$

— For strip footing:

$$N_c = 5 \left(1 + 0.2 \frac{D}{B} \right)$$

$$5.14 \leq N_c \leq 7.50$$

— For rectangular footing:

$$N_c = 5 \left(1 + 0.2 \frac{D}{B} \right) \left(1 + 0.2 \frac{B}{L} \right)$$

$$6.2 \leq N_c \leq 9$$

→ Plate Load Test.

— to find BC and settlements.

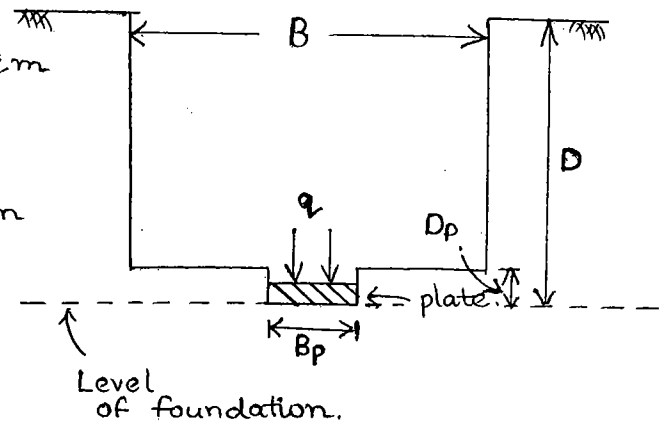
* Specifications:

Min. size of plate
= 30 cm x 30 cm

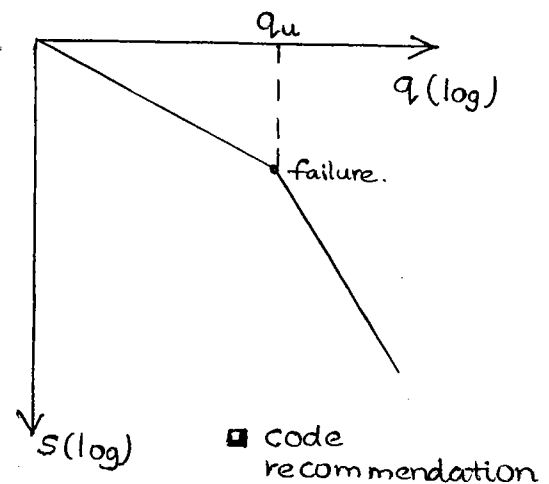
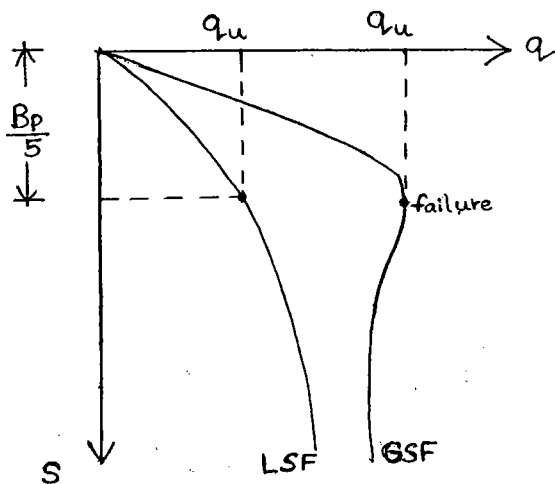
Max. size of plate
= 75 cm x 75 cm

Min. thickness = 25 mm (1")

$$\frac{B}{B_p} = 5 \quad \& \quad \frac{D}{D_p} = 5$$



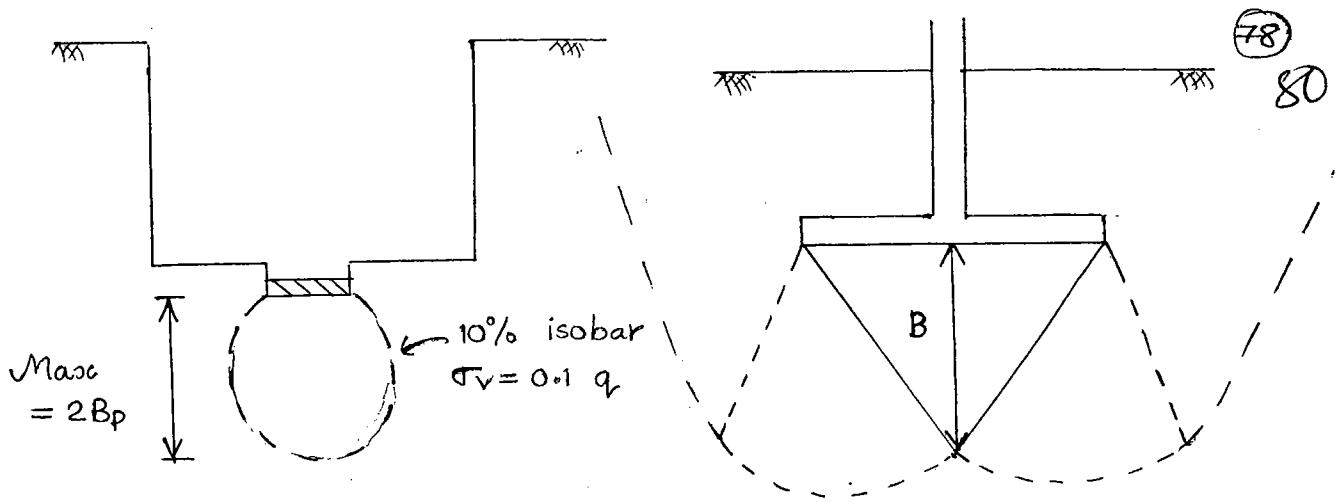
— Initially, a seating pressure of 7.5 kPa applied



Safe bearing capacity, $q_s = \frac{q_u}{F}$

* Limitations of Plate Load test:

- (i) It is a short duration test. Hence not reliable for pure clays. (consolidation settlement occurs for pure clays)
- (ii) There is a width effect. (q_u depends on B in Terzaghi's theory & Skempton's theory)
- (iii) Depth effect. (max. depth of pressure bulb in plate load test = $2B_p$)



→ Corrections for Plate Load test Results:

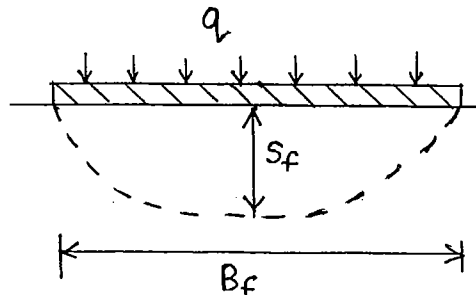
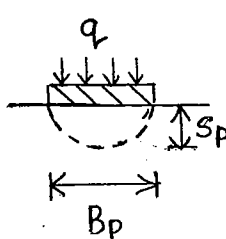
* Correction for Settlements

(i) For clays

$$\frac{S_F}{S_p} = \frac{B_F}{B_p} \Rightarrow S \propto B$$

(ii) For sands.

$$\frac{S_F}{S_p} = \left[\frac{B_F (B_p + 0.3)}{B_p (B_F + 0.3)} \right]^2 \quad B_F \text{ \& } B_p \text{ in metres}$$



□ q is same in both plate & footing

* Correction for Bearing Capacity

(i) For clays

$$q_f = q_p \quad (q_u \text{ independent of } B)$$

(ii) For sands

$$\frac{q_f}{q_p} = \frac{B_F}{B_p}$$

→ Meyerhof's Theory:

- For both shallow and deep foundations.

$$q_u = C N_c \underline{S_c d_c i_c} + \gamma D N_q \underline{S_q d_q i_q} + 0.5 \gamma B N_{\gamma} \underline{S_{\gamma} d_{\gamma} i_{\gamma}}$$

$S \rightarrow$ shape factor

$D \rightarrow$ depth factor

$i \rightarrow$ load inclination factor.

* For (DL + LL) → BC obtained by formulae can be used directly.

For $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{DL + LL + WL} \\ \text{DL + LL + EL} \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow$ above BC is increased by 25%

→ Loads for Settlement Calculation:

* For sands: DL + LL + WL or EL

For clays: Permanent loads (DL + 50% LL)

→ Settlements

* Uniform Settlement: equal settlement everywhere.

* Differential Settlement: more detrimental to struct (additional moments are created)

Differential settlement $\approx$ 75% of total uniform settlement

* Permissible limits:

	Isolated Foundations	Raft Foundations. ↙ differential settlements.
Sand & Hard clay	50 mm	75 mm
Plastic clay (settlement occurs slowly for plastic clay)	75 mm.	100 mm.

01. $q_{ns} = \frac{1}{F} (C N_c) ; \text{ for clay.}$

Usually, $F \approx 3$ & $N_c = 5.7$ for clays.

$$q_{ns} = \frac{1}{3} (C \times 5.7) \approx 2C \Rightarrow \text{unconfined compressive strength.}$$

02. $B = 3 \text{ m}, \gamma_{\text{sat}} = 20 \text{ kN/m}^3, \phi = 35^\circ, C = 0, N_q = 33, N_\gamma = 34.0$
 $D = 2 \text{ m}, \gamma = 18 \text{ kN/m}^3$

(i). WT at GL

$$q_u = 1.3 C' N_c + \gamma' D N_q + 0.4 \gamma' B N_\gamma$$

$$= 0 + 10 \times 2 \times 33 + 0.4 \times 34 \times 3 \times 10 = \underline{\underline{1068 \text{ kPa}}}$$

(ii) WT at footing level

$$q_u = \gamma D N_q + 0.4 \gamma' B N_\gamma$$

$$= 18 \times 2 \times 33 + 0.4 \times 10 \times 3 \times 34 = \underline{\underline{1596 \text{ kPa}}}$$

(iii) at 1 m below footing

$$R_{w2} = 0.5 \left(1 + \frac{1}{3} \right) = 0.666$$

$$q_u = 18 \times 2 \times 33 + 0.4 \times \overset{20}{18} \times 3 \times 34 \times 0.666 \quad \left\{ \text{use accurate method} \right\}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{1460 \text{ kPa}}}$$

(iv) at 1 m below GL.

$$\gamma_a = \frac{\gamma Z_{w1} + \gamma' (D - Z_{w1})}{D} = \frac{18 \times 1 + 10 \times (2 - 1)}{2} = 14$$

$$q_u = 14 \times 2 \times 33 + 0.4 \times 10 \times 3 \times 34 = \underline{\underline{1332 \text{ kPa}}}$$

03. Strip footing $\rightarrow$ WT at footing.

$$q_{ns} = \frac{1}{F} (C N_c + \gamma D (N_q - 1) + 0.5 \gamma' B N_\gamma)$$

For short term condition: use C_u & ϕ_u

For long term condition: use C' & ϕ'

a) Short term:

$$q_{ns} = \frac{1}{2} (80 \times 6 + 16 \times 1 (1-1) + 0) \\ = \underline{\underline{240 \text{ kPa}}}$$

b) Long term:

$$q_{ns} = \frac{1}{2} (0 \times 37.2 + \frac{16}{20} \times 1 (22.5-1) + 0.5 \times 10 \times 2 \times 19.7) \\ = \underline{\underline{270.5}}$$

4. For clays:

$$q_s = \frac{1}{F} (C N_c) + \gamma D$$

$N_c = 5.7$ for rough base (Terzaghi)

$= 5.14$ for smooth base (Prandtl)

$$C = \frac{1}{2} \times q_u = 10 \text{ t/m}^2.$$

$$q_s = \frac{1}{2} (10 \times 5.14) + 2 \times 1 = \underline{\underline{27.7 \text{ t/m}^2}}$$

5. For design purpose, the condition to be satisfied:

$$q_n \leq q_{na} \quad \rightarrow \text{smaller of } q_{ns} \text{ \& } q_{np}$$

Since q_{np} is not given, $q_{na} = q_{ns}$.

$$\therefore q_n \leq q_{ns}$$

$$q_n = \frac{Q}{A} = \frac{1000}{B^2} \text{ kN/m}^2$$

$$q_{ns} = \frac{1}{F} (1.3 C N_c + \gamma D (N_q - 1) + 0.4 \gamma B N_\gamma) \\ = \frac{1}{2.5} (0.4 \times 19 \times B \times 42).$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1000}{B^2} = (0.4 \times 19 \times B \times 42) \times \frac{1}{2.5} \\ \Rightarrow B = 1.98 \text{ m} \approx \underline{\underline{2 \text{ m}}}$$

06. Since q_{np} not given,

$$q_n \leq q_{ns}.$$

$$\text{or } q \leq q_s$$

$$q = \frac{300}{B \times 1} \text{ kN/m}^2$$

$$q_n = q - \gamma D = \frac{300}{B} - 18 \times 1$$

$$q_{ns} = \frac{1}{F} (C N_c) = \frac{1}{3} (60 \times 5.7) = 114$$

$$\frac{300}{B} - 18 = 114.$$

$$\therefore B = \underline{\underline{2.27 \text{ m}}}$$

* For cohesionless soil $\rightarrow$ use ϕ to decide GSF & LSF

For cohesive soil. $\rightarrow$ use C to decide GSF & LSF

For $c-\phi$ soil $\rightarrow$ use strain to decide GSF & LSF

07. Elastic settlement, $S_i = \frac{q_n}{E_s} B (1-\mu^2) I.$

$$\boxed{S_i \propto q_n}$$

$$\therefore \frac{S_2}{S_1} = \frac{q_2}{q_1}$$

$$\frac{10}{25} = \frac{q_2}{7.2/0.3^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow q_2 = \underline{\underline{32 \text{ t/m}^2}}$$

08. $q_n = q - \gamma D.$

$$0 = 150 - 20 D$$

$$\Rightarrow D = \underline{\underline{7.5 \text{ m}}}$$

q. $B_p = 0.3 \text{ m}$, $B_F = 1.5 \text{ m}$

$q_p = 6 \text{ t/m}^2$, $q_f = 9$

For sands,

$$\frac{q_f}{q_p} = \frac{B_F}{B_p}$$

$$\frac{q_f}{6} = \frac{1.5}{0.3} \Rightarrow q_f = 30 \text{ t/m}^2$$

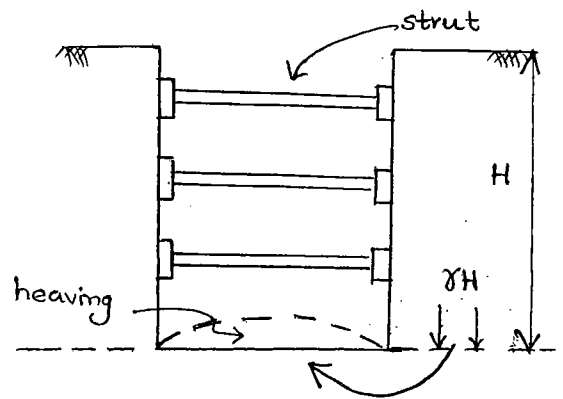
Load = area $\times q_f = 1.5^2 \times 30 = \underline{\underline{67.5 \text{ tons}}}$

→ Braced Excavations - Heave Failure of Bottom

Factor of safety against heave failure, $F = \frac{CN_c}{\gamma H}$

$N_c = 5.7$ (Terzaghi).

$= 5 \left(1 + 0.2 \frac{D}{B} \right)$; Skempton's theory

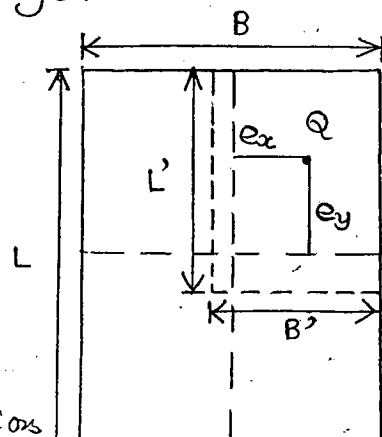


10. $N_c = 5 \left(1 + 0.2 \times \frac{5}{2.5} \right) = \underline{\underline{7}} \quad (D = H)$

FOS = $\frac{CN_c}{\gamma H} = \frac{20 \times 7}{20 \times 5} = \underline{\underline{1.4}}$

Bearing Capacity of Eccentric Footings:

For eccentric footings, modified dimensions (reduced) are to be taken to calculate the bearing capacity. The reduced dimensions are taken in such a manner that the load acting point should become the CG of modified dimensions.



$$B' = 2 \left(\frac{B}{2} - e_x \right) \quad \& \quad L' = 2 \left(\frac{L}{2} - e_y \right)$$

Accordingly the modified dimensions B' , L' , A' are shown below: 83

$$B' = B - 2e_x$$

$$L' = L - 2e_y$$

$$A' = B' L'$$

$$\therefore q_u = \left(1 + 0.3 \frac{B'}{L'}\right) C N_c + \gamma D N_q + 0.5 \gamma B' N_\gamma \left(1 - 0.2 \frac{B'}{L'}\right)$$

$$\text{Safe load capacity, } Q_{\text{safe}} = A' q_s$$