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ABSTRACT

The objective of this study described herein was to determine the creep behaviour of frozen soil, similar to that found in the Beaufort sea, under isotropic compression. This thesis includes the evolution, distribution and properties of the permafrost in the Beaufort Sea, and a review of existing creep constitutive equations. The validity of these constitutive equations were carefully examined.

Using the method of sample preparation and laboratory testing equipment outlined in this thesis, four three-inch diameter specimens were prepared and tested. Isotropic compression creep tests were conducted on four samples with pore-fluid salinity of about 60 ppt. Multi-step loading cell pressures of 70 and 140 kpa. were applied to soil samples at three test temperatures ($-15^{\circ}C$, $-10^{\circ}C$ and $-5^{\circ}C$). Two singlestep loading tests using stress increments of 350 and 700 kpa.were also carried out.

From the test results, it was found that the sample underwent attenuating creep under isotropic compression. About 70 % of the total volume change occurred within the first four hours after stress application . About 50 % of the volume change was not recovered upon unloading. A history of loading and recovery had a strain hardening effect on the frozen soil. The saline frozen soil was non-ice-bonded at -5°C, but

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its response to isotropic compression did not seem to be qualitatively different from the ice-bonded.

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LIST OF SYMBOLS

 α = material constant c_{∞} = temperature dependent adhesion at t= $^{\infty}$ ϕ_{m} = internal friction angle at t= ∞ ϕ = internal friction angle $\theta_{c} = 1^{\circ} C$ $\varepsilon = total strain$ ε_0 = instantaneous strain ε_1 = primary creep strain ε_2 = secondary creep strain ε_3 = tertiary creep strain $\varepsilon_{\rm u}$ = volumetric strain $\varepsilon_{\perp}^{\infty}$ = ultimate volumetric strain ε_{i}^{i} = incremental volumetric strain $\dot{\epsilon}$ = strain rate $\dot{\epsilon}_{-}$ = volumetric strain rate $\dot{\varepsilon}_{i}$ = initial creep rate $\dot{\varepsilon}_{r}$ = artbitrary strain rate $\hat{\epsilon}_{ij}^{(c)}$ = creep rate tensor = time rate of infinitesimal strain tensor $\dot{\epsilon}_{\mu}$ = equivalent strain rate tensor $\delta_{ii} = kroneckor delta$ $\delta = \arctan(a_1/z)$ σ_{ij} = stress tensor σ_{a} = equivalent stress tensor σ_{c} = temperature dependent uniaxial creep parameter

 ^{O}m = mean normal stress $\sigma_1 - \sigma_3$ = principal stress difference S_{ij} = deviatoric stress tensor J_2^s = second deviatoric stress invariant J_3^s = third deviatoric stress invariant $\mathbf{\dot{J}}_{2}^{\varepsilon}$ = second deviatoric strain-rate invariant $\mathbf{j}_{2}^{\varepsilon}$ = third deviatoric strain-rate invariant A = temperature dependent deformation modulus B = temperature experimental parameter E = triaxial modulus K(t) = time dependent bulk modulus K $_{\infty}$ = ultimate secant bulk modulus K = bulk modulus J = temperature dependent experimental parameter M = experimental parameter N = experimental parameter R = universal gas constant S = material constantT = absolute temperature U = activation energy V(0) = original volume of the sample $V(0^-)$ = volume of sample just before the increment of stress V(t) = volume of sample at time t V_{∞} = volume at the end of each stress increment W = temperature exponent a = initial tangent

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- a₁ = radius of circular area
- b = reciprocal of the ultimate value of
- m = experimental creep exponent
- n = creep exponent
- p = uniform circular distributed load
- r = ratio between uniaxial compression and tension
 creep strength
- t = elapsed time
- w_{τ} = displacement in z-direction
- z = depth

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 GENERAL

In the last decade, the Beaufort Sea has become of great interest to the petroleum companies and the Canadian government, because of the large deposits of oil and natural gases discovered beneath the seabottom. During this decade offshore artificial islands were built in shallow water, not deeper than 30m., to faciliate exploration on the Beaufort Sea continental shelf. These artificial islands, for oil discovery and production purposes, rest on either ice-bonded or/ non-ice-bonded permafrost in the Beaufort Sea.

Frozen soil in thermal equilibrium provides an excellent foundation. However, if the permafrost is in thermal non-equilibrium or thawing condition, there will be a reduction in bearing strength, especially in ice-rich permafrost. Moreover, the ice-rich permafrost does creep even if they are held at a fixed temperature, and it creep even more when subjected to stress. This may cause large settlements and instability of the structures. Creep behaviour of frozen soils is important in designing structures on the permafrost. The amount of creep which occurs in permafrost during the service life of the structures depends on the state of stress, the properties of the permafrost and the thermal conditions.

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In the Beaufort Sea, the offshore permafrost temperatures range from 0 °C to -5 °C. The pore-fluid salinities of offshore permafrost are relatively higher than the onshore permafrost, and vary with soil conditions. The artificial islands constructed on the permafrost may or may not perform satisfactorily as the strength and deformation of the permafrost respond to the changes in time and thermal domain.

The geotechnical group at the University of Manitoba is currently engaged in a research program to study the longterm multiaxial creep behaviour of relatively warm saline frozen soils which simulate those beneath the Beaufort Sea. The present study is only a part of this broader investigation.

1.2 SCOPE OF STUDY

Isotropic compression tests were conducted on prepared frozen saline sandy silt. Most of the samples were tested at a relative low temperature $(-15^{\circ}C)$ and higher salinities (60 ppt) than the permafrost present in the Beaufort seabottom. The data generated from these tests is to be used for viscoelastic modelling and for pseudo- elastic modelling in Domaschuk's method of estimating settlement of artificial islands.

A brief review of the conditions of Beaufort Sea permafrost evolution and the Beaufort Sea permafrost distribution are presented in chapter 2 and chapter 3.

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Chapter 4 presents a brief review of deformation behaviour of frozen soils and the existing constitutive relationships for creep in frozen soils. This is followed by examining the validity of the hypothesis commonly used on multiaxial creep of frozen soils.

Chapter 5 presents the testing program which includes the sample preparation, testing equipment and the test results of the isotropic compression tests. Conclusions of the study and future research recommendation are presented in chapter 6.

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CHAPTER 2

BEAUFORT SEA PERMAFROST EVOLUTION

2.1 INTRODUCTION

Permafrost is known to occur onshore and offshore. The aggradation of permafrost occurs typically by freezing downward from the ground surface under cold surface conditions. The permafrost now located under the seabottom (For example Arctic ocean, Beaufort Sea) is the result of ocean transgression (Mackay, 1972; Hunter et al, 1976).

Extensive permafrost has been encountered offshore in the Beaufort Sea, and its existence has been confirmed by numerous investigators (Mackay, 1972; Judge, 1974; Hunter et al, 1976; Osterkamp et al, 1976, 1982; Morack et al, 1982; Macaulay et al, 1982). Much of the offshore permafrost in the Beaufort Sea is relict in nature. Investigations to date indicate the permafrost present in the Beaufort seabed is either degrading or aggrading, due to the presence of positive or negative seabottom temperatures.

The thickness of inland permafrost is controlled by the thermal properties of the soil,ground surface temperatures,vegetation cover, albedo,geothermal heat flow and the time of exposure to the cold surface conditions (Brown,1973). To determine the evolution and thickness of offshore permafrost more complexities must be taken into ac-

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count, such as the variation of soil conditions, sea water temperature, sea water salinity, geomorphology, the fluctuation of ocean water level and ice conditions.

The following sections outline the above complexities which influence the evolution of the subsea permafrost in the Beaufort Sea (Mackay, 1972; Judge, 1974; Markham, 1976; Hunter et al, 1976; Milne et al, 1977; Pelltier, 1979).

2.2 SEA ICE

The ice conditions are a major factor in determining the aggradation and degradation of existing offshore permafrost in the Beaufort Sea. Permafrost is sometimes encountered at shallow depths below the seabottom in the Beaufort Sea shelf, where the ice-cover extends to the sea bed during the winter. The permafrost table degrades sharply where there is a relatively warm, saline thick layer of unfrozen sea water between the ice cover and the sea bed. Extensive ice studies have been carried out in the southern Beaufort Sea by several researchers (Mackay, 1972; Markham, 1976; Milne et al, 1977; pelletier, 1979).

The ice existing in the southern continental margin of the Beaufort Sea during the winter may be divided into three zones:

1. The offshore polar pack.

This ice is mainly old ice, continuous and is usually three to four metres thick. Its near shore

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boundary usually lays over the 500 m. isobath near the edge of the continental shelf.

2. The shore-fast ice.

This ice lays along the coast, and it generally extends seaward to the 25m.isobath. It has an average thickness of two metres.

3. The multi-year ice

This ice lays between the zones of the polar pack and the shore-fast ice. It covers approximately seven-eights of the sea surface and has a thickness of one to two metres.

The multi-year ice is highly irregular, heavily ridged, highly unstable and during winter may even develop leads (Anonymous, 1970; Markham, 1976; Milne et al, 1977; Pelletier, 1979).

In the summer, ice conditions in the southern Beaufort Sea vary from year to year. The beginning of break-up could be as early as March in a "light-ice" year. The ice break-up along the coast becomes significant in mid-July. During the melting period in August, the coastal shore-fast ice gradually moves seaward with the polar pack and retreats 180 km. off the canadian coast. The retreat of the polar pack also depends on the direction of the winds. A strong northwesterly wind would drive the polar pack shoreward. Freeze-up in the Beaufort sea usually occurs in the second week of October, but it may vary from late September to early November, depending on the boundary of the polar pack ice.

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The seabottom temperature is directly related to the ice conditions in the Beaufort Sea. The boundary of warmer seabottom temperature (above 0 C) depends on the boundary of the retreat of the polar pack ice. The seabottom permafrost degradation or aggradation depends on the period of positive or negative temperature present on the seabottom. For example, an early break up of ice and a late freeze up in the Beaufort Sea, means a longer period of postive temperature may exist at the seabottom, which may cause degradation of seabottom permafrost. The winter and summer seabottom temperature will be given in a later section.

2.3 SEAFLOOR GEOMORPHOLOGY

The bathymetry of the continental shelf and slope of southeastern Beaufort Sea has been studied extensively by the Geological Survey of Canada and other researchers (Shearer et al,1971; Pelletier and Shearer,1972). As mentioned by these researchers,three distinct physiographic features are present on the floor of the Beaufort Sea (Figure 2.3.1 from Canadian hydrographic charts). These features, as described by Hunter et al (1976),Pelletier et al (1979),are as follows:

1. Continental shelf.

A wide gentle slope which extends approximately 100 km. off the Yukon coast to a depth of 100 m..

2. Continental slope.

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A steeply falling slope extends from the 100 m. isobath towards the Canada basin to a depth of 2000 m.. The Canada basin is approximately 500 km. offshore.

3. Mackenzie Canyon.

This V-shape canyon transects the steeply falling slope of the Canada basin and continental shelf slope. The headward portion of this canyon, lays immediately adjacent to the Mackenzie Bay, to the 500 m. isobath is approximately 120 km..

Other geomorphological features present on the seafloor the Beaufort Sea are submarine pingos (Shearer et of al,1971) and grooves (Pelletier and Shearer,1972). The submarine pingos occur primarly on the outer shelf, east of the Mackenzie canyon in water depths of about 11 m. Some of these ice-cored, conical pingos are 300 m. in diameter at the base and 20 m. to 50 m. in height. This type of pingo commonly has been breached by expansion within the pingo. Pingos found in the inshore area were thought to be formed on land and may have been eroded and submerged recently by the rising sea level. The submarine pingo swarms are related to the distribution of seabottom permafrost. As point out by Hunter et al, (1976), the discontineous ice-bonded permafrost is associated with the submarine pingos.

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Fig. 2.3.1 Seabottom bathymetry in the Beaufort Sea (after Pelletier, 1975).

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Fig. 2.3.2 Bottom scouring by ice projections on the continental shelf.Shaded areas depict the number of scours per km. measure perpendicular to the depth contours. Depths are in meters. (after Milne et al, 1976).

Grooves are present over a large area on the seafloor. These features were probably produced by ice scouring and occur at depths between 10 and 50 m.. They are generally linear features and have steeply dipping walls. These grooves are approximately 0.5 m. to 10 m. deep and oriented southeasterly. The grooves are more frequent and not as deep at shallow depths. Grooves discovered at depths of about 50 m.were thought to be relict (Lewis, 1975). These grooves may have some relations to the degradation of permafrost in the inshore area. Figure 2.3.2 shows the bottom scouring by subsea ice projections on the continental shelf.

2.4 SURFICIAL SEDIMENTS

The late to early Holocene sediments in the continental shelf of the Beaufort sea consist mainly of clay and silt,with some gravel and sand. Pelletier (1979) reported on the distribution of all classes of sediments as shown in Figure 2.4.1. The sand and gravel occur on the Beaufort Sea shelf west of Herschel Island, along the coast and in the Mackenzie Delta. They are also found in the isolated area across the eastern portion of the shelf. Silt occurs in a zone which varies in width from 50 km. to 100 km.and extends across the eastern portion of the shelf. It also occurs in the inshore region beyond the sands and extends to 10 m isobath. Clay and silt cover the remainder of the shelf and eastern portion of Beaufort Sea.

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Pelletier et al (1979) summarized all available data on the classes of sediments as follows:

1. Gravel distribution (Figure 2.4.2) .

The greatest concentration of gravel generally occurs in the area northwest of Herschel Island and isolated areas in the extreme eastern end of the shelf (Rodeick,1974; Lewis et al,1975; Pelletier et al, 1979).

2. Sand distribution (Figure 2.4.3) .

Sand is more widespread than gravel, with major deposits occurring in the area west of Herschel island. Other deposits lay along the coastal zones and eastern portion of the shelf. In the central part of the shelf and the Mackenzie Canyon, sand deposits comprise less than 1 % of the seabottom sediments. Over the area of inlets and bays the sands are mainly covered by mud (Lewis et al, 1974, 1976; Pelletier et al, 1979).

3. Silt distribution (Figure 2.4.4) .

Silt is predominant in the Mackenzie Bay and the coastal areas. Other concentrations are in eastern part of the shelf. In the remaining area silt constitutes less than 40 % of the bottom sediments (Lewis et al,1974,1975; Pelletier et al,1979).

4. Clay distribution (Figure 2.4.5) .

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Clay is present over the entire shelf, but its greatest concentration is in the Mackenzie Canyon and the central part of the shelf, east of the Mackenzie Canyon. Its occurrence generally decreases in a shoreward direction (Pelletier et al, 1979). Clay mineral composition of the clay size fraction (less than 2 microns) of the Beaufort Sea shelf sediments consist of Illite, and minor amounts of Smectite, Kaolinite and Chlorite (Naidu et al, 1974).



Fig.2.4.1 The distribution of main sediment types on the Beaufort shelf. The ternary textural diagram of main sediment types is after shepard,1954. (after Pelletier,1979).



Fig.2.4.2 The distribution of gravel. (after Pelletier, 1979).



Fig.2.4.3 The distribution of sand. (after Pelletier,1979).

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Fig.2.4.4 The distribution of silt (after Pelletier,1979).

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Fig.2.4.5 The distribution of clay (after Pelletier, 1979).

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2.5 SEA LEVELS

The sea-level of the Beaufort Sea has changed dramatically in the past. Muller-Beck (1966) and Milliman and Emery (1968) reported that the mean sea-level in the Beaufort Sea, between 17000 and 7000 B.P., rose by approximately 130 m due to the melting of the Wisconsin continental glaciers. In highly glaciated areas the sea-level was strongly influenced by isotatic rebound. In such areas the sea level came up during early Holocene and dropped down in late Holocene (Figure 2.5.1) (Hunter et al, 1976; Pelletier et al, 1979).

Change in sea-level results in period of emergence and submergence of the Beaufort Sea shelf. About 17000 years ago,the Beaufort Sea and the Mackenzie Delta area were exposed to sub-zero temperature and permafrost aggradation occurred. Since then the sea-level has been rising, and 3000 to 4000 years ago,the permafrost was submerged under relatively warm,sea water rather than being exposed to the cold air temperature conditions (Mackay et al,1972).



Fig.2.5.1 Sea level histroy of the Beaufort Sea shelf (after Mackay,1972).

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2.6 SEABOTTOM SALINITY AND TEMPERATURE

The seabottom water temperature and salinity of the Beaufort Sea have been studied extensively. Vilks (1973) and Vilks et al (1979) have gathered all the available information on the offshore water mass structure. They reported on summer and winter relationships between temperature and depths, as well as between salinity and depths, over the Continental shelf and slope. The mean annual seabottom 0°C isotherm lays between the shoreline and a water depth of 20 m. . The winter and summer 0°C isotherm ie along the edge of the Beaufort Sea shelf (Figure 2.6.1) . The distribution of winter and summer salinities are shown in Figure 2.6.2 (Vilks, 1972; Hunter et al, 1976; Vilks, 1979) . The average salinity in the shelf area is typically about 30 ppt, but the salinity of the unfrozen sea water is higher in the winter due to salt rejection when the ice is formed.



Fig. 2.6.1 Summer and winter bottom water temperatures in the southern Beaufort Sea. (temperature contours in °c). (after Hunter et al,1976).

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CHAPTER 3

DISTRIBUTION OF SEABOTTOM PERMAFROST

IN THE SOUTHERN BEAUFORT SEA

3.1 INTRODUCTION

In the last decade, several research programs have been carried out in the Beaufort Sea shelf area. The main objectives of these programs were to study and map the permafrost underlying the Beaufort Sea shelf. Two different methods have been used in those studies, namely:

- Seismic refraction method (Hunter et al,1976; Morack et al,1982) .
- The offshore drilling method (Golden et al,1970; Hunter et al,1976; Judge et al,1976; Osterkamp et al,1982; King et al,1982).

The results from the above two methods suggest that the occurrence and distribution of offshore permafrost in the Beaufort Sea is variable. The suggested distribution of seabottom permafrost from seismic data interpretation and offshore drilling in the southern Beaufort Sea shelf is discussed in this chapter.

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3.2 SEISMIC INTERPRETATION OF SEABOTTOM PERMAFROST

IN THE BEAUFORT SEA

The seismic method used in the mapping of offshore permafrost has its limitations. It is only successfully used in areas of coarse-grained, ice-saturated sediments or areas where substantial ice lensing occurs in fine-grained sediments. For fine-grained seabottom materials, such as clays and silts, at marginally permafrost temperature (-1°C) with a high salinity and absence of ice lensing, the seismic method can not distinguish the frozen state of these materials (Hunter et al, 1976).

From the seismic interpretation, as reported by Hunter et al,(1976) (Figures 3.2.1 and 3.2.4), three permafrost zones were delineated and described as follows:

1. The continuous ice-bonded permafrost zone.

These ice-bonded sediments are confined to the eastern portion of the southern Beaufort Sea shelf (east of Richard Island). In this zone, the coarsegrained seabottom materials are dominant and abundance of fresh water has been available to form the inter-granular ice. The seabottom topography is much more rugged in this zone. The rugged topography apparent in inshore regions may be due to either the differential degradational rates resulting from river channel development at lower sea levels,or the complex distribution of grain- size and pore-water sa-

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linity in the sediments. From the seismic interpretation, Hunter et al (1976) suggested that there are at least two "seismic" layers existing in the ice-bonded permafrost zone. The upper layer occurs in the surficial 60 to 100 m., and the lower layer has been determined to be in the range of 120 to 250 m. deep. The location of the interpreted upper and lower "seismic" layers are shown in the Figures 3.2.2 and 3.2.3.

2. The discontinuous ice-bonded permafrost zone.

This type of permafrost lays between the ice-bonded and non ice-bonded permafrost zones. It may have been partially ice-bonded clays and silts. The submarine pingo swarms are associated with the discontinuous ice-bonded permafrost zone.

3. The non ice-bonded permafrost zone.

The non ice-bonded sediments occur in the western portion of the southern Beaufort Sea shelf (west of Richard Island). Most of the upper 100 metres of the seabottom materials are fine- grained clays and silts .The fine-grained seabottom materials increase in the thickness towards the west. There are no indications of ice-bonding in the sediments from seismic interpretations, but seabottom temperature data suggests that permafrost conditions exist (Figure 3.2.4). The thick, fine-grained materials probably may also be found in the seabottom north of Cape Dalhousie.

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The report by Hunter et al (1976) also pointed out several outstanding features concerning the distribution of permafrost in the southern Beaufort sea shelf. These features are as follows:

- No evidence of ice-bonded permafrost has been found in water depths in excess of 90 m..
- No ice-bonded permafrsot occurs in the offshore region with water depths greater than 20 m. west of the N-S line at approximately 135 W longitude.
- There are no correlation between interpreted boundaries and major bottom features (e.g. Mackenzie Canyon).
- Permafrost is aggrading downwards from the seafloor in the offshore and is degrading in the inshore region.



Fig.3.2.1 An interpretation of the occurrence of sub-seabottom ice-bonded permafrost from industry seismic records. (after Hunter et al,1976)

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Fig.3.2.2 Distribution and depth to the top of the upper thin discontinuous high-velocity layer. (after Hunter et al,1978)



Fig.3.2.3 Distribution and depth to the top of the lower thick continuous high-velocity layer. (after Hunter et al,1978)



Fig.3.2.4 Distribution of anomalous velocity which are higher than expected for unconsolidated sediments but lower than expected for ice-saturated sediments. (after Hunter et al,1978)

3.3 OFFSHORE DRILLING IN THE BEAUFORT SEA

Numerous exploration wells have been drilled in the shoreline area and in the shallow waters offshore at the sites of artificial islands. The drill logs of most of these holes remain confidential information. However, available information gathered from published reports is presented below.

3.3.1 A.P.O.A. DRILLING

The Arctic Petroleum Operation's Association (A.P.O.A.) shallow water drilling program on the Beaufort Sea shelf is shown in Figure 3.3.1. Figure 3.3.2 details borehole information from the drillholes which encountered permafrost. These results (Figure 3.3.2) indicate that a wide range of frozen soils, such as clay, clayey silt, silty sand, sand and gravel, are present in the shelf of the Beaufort Sea.

3.3.2 IMPERIAL OIL LTD. DRILLING

Two of the Imperial exploration wells which were reported encountered frozen materials. These two wells are Imperial Nuktak P-50 and Imperial Immerk B-48. The Imperial Nuktak P-50 is located at Hopper Island. The material encountered from the surface to a depth of 685 m. was frozen and icebonded. The Imperial Immerk B-48 hole is situated between Hopper and Pelly Islands. This well contained ice-bonded materials from 150 m. to 380 m. below the surface. The geology logs of these two wells are shown in Figures 3.3.4 and 3.3.5 (Hunter et al, 1976).

Figures 3.3.6 shows the proposed sites of artificial islands Tingmiark and Kopenoar. Figure 3.3.7 shows the drill log from the proposed site of Tingmiark. Permafrost was encountered from 34 m. to 43 m. below seabottom in the Tingmiark site. The temperature of the sediments at the 60 m. depth was -1.6 °C, indicating a total permafrost thickness considerably in excess of that depth, although no further ice-bonded permafrost was encountered. For the Kopenoar drill hole, ice-bonded sediments were encountered immediately below the sea bottom (Hunter et al, 1976).

3.3.3 G.S.C. DRILLING IN KUGMALLIT BAY

In 1974, the Geological Survey of Canada (G.S.C.) conducted a drilling program in Kugmallit Bay. Four holes were drilled at the locations shown in Figure 3.3.7. As shown in Figure 3.3.8 ,the drillholes logs indicate that sand is a dominant material type in the Kugmallit bay. The sand found in Kugmallit bay has an average density of 2.66 g/cm.³ (26.1 KN/m.³). The range of moisture contents of this sand (and gravel) was between 45 to 71 % in the frozen state,and 31 \pm 6 % in thawed state. The salinity of the pore fluid of the sand ranges from 2 to 30 parts per thousand (ppt). The clays and silts encountered in this area have an average density of 2.70 g/cm.³ (26.5 KN/m.³). The moisture contents of the

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silts and clays were about 50 ± 2 %, and the pore fluid salinities ranged from 6 to 39 ppt. Similar results have also been reported (King et al,1982) for salinities of pore water in subsea samples from the Beaufort Sea. The results, in terms of NaCl,were:

- 1. Sand : 0.02 --- 0.08 molar (1.2 --- 5 ppt).
- 2. Silt: 0.13 molar (8 ppt).
- 3. Clay: 0.3 molar (18 ppt).

Permafrost was detected in holes #1,#2 and #3. However, no permafrost was encountered in hole #4,but the hole temperature suggested the presence of permafrost below 70 m..The permafrost was encountered in holes #1,#2 and #3 at depths of 37 to 40 m.,70 m. and 61 m. respectively (Hunter et al,1976).

3.3.4 G.S.C. DRILLING IN MACKENZIE DELTA

In 1976, five experimental drillholes were drilled into the seabottom of the Beaufort Sea shelf by the G.S.C.. The locations of the five holes are shown in Figure 3.3.9. Test holes #1 and #2 were drilled in the shallow Mackenzie Bay. Holes #3,#4 and #5 were drilled on an east- west line approximately 32 km. north of Hopper Island perpendicular to a seismic boundary delineated by Hunter et al (1976). The test hole logs are shown in Figure 3.3.10. Ice-bonded permafrost was encountered in holes #1,#2 and #5. It was detected at depths of 19 m., 27 m. and 45 m. below the water surface in holes #1,#2 snd #5 respectively. Although the ground temperature recorded in these test holes were below 0°C (0 to -2 °C),no frozen soils were encountered in holes #3 and #4 to a depth of 30 m. and 60 m. respectively (Judge et al,1976).

3.3.5 PRUDHOE BAY DRILLING

In the near shore area at Prudhoe Bay the salinity of the thawed layer beneath the sea bed was found to be about 25 ppt higher than the normal sea water. A temperature of -2.4 °C corresponding to a salinity of 43 ppt was encountered at the phase boundary between the thawed layer and the ice bearing permafrost (Harrison et al, 1982).

All the available information from the seismic interpretation and offshore drilling programs is shown in Figure 3.3.11. Enough information, however, is not available to form a detailed map of the seabottom permafrost conditions in the Beaufort Sea. The data also indicated that the salinity of some non-ice-bonded, fine-grained permafrost is higher than the normal sea water (for example, 30 to 55 ppt (Harrison et al, 1982)), and this corresponds to a range of freezing point depression of 0 °C to -5°C. The ice-bonded, fine-grained or coarse-grained permafrost is related to a lower salinity.

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--- ENGINEERING BORE HOLES PERMAFROST ENCOUNTERED

• ENGINEERING BORE HOLES PERMAFROST NOT ENCOUNTERED

Fig.3.3.1 Location of A.P.O.A. shallow drillholes. (after Mackay,1972)

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Fig.3.3.2 A compilation of drilling results from A.P.O.A. report #3 for the holes encountering permafrost. Temperature measurements were obtained from samples. (after Hunter et al,1976)

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Fig.3.3.3 Generalized geology and crystal cable velocity log from I.O.E. Hooper NAKTAK c-22 (after Hunter et al,1976).

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Fig.3.3.4 Generalized geology and crystal cable velocity log from I.O.E. IMMERK B-48 (after Hunter et al,1976).

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Fig.3.3.5 Location of the two proposed drilling sites. (after Hunter et al,1976)

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Fig.3.3.6 Generalized geological log from Tingmiark drill site. 80 km. north of Tuktoyuktak. Water depth 30 m. (after Hunter et al, 1976)





Fig 3.3.7 Location of GSC drillholes in Kugmallit Bay (after Hunter et al,1976)



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Fig.3.3.8 Lithological description of GSC Kugmallit Bay drillholes. (after Hunter et al,1976).



Fig.3.3.9 Location of GSC drillholes in Mackenzie Delta. (after Judge et al,1976).

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Fig.3.3.10 Description of Mackenzie Delta drillholes. (after Judge et al,1976).



Fig.3.3.ll Location of drillholes and seismic interpretation in the southern Beaufort Sea.

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CHAPTER 4

CREEP OF FROZEN SOIL

4.1 INTRODUCTION

In the last three decades ,laboratory studies have been carried out to obtain the constitutive relationships in describing the stress- strain-time behaviour of frozen soils (Vyalov, 1962; Andersland and Alnouri, 1970; Ladanyi, 1972; Sayles, 1972; Klein and Jessberger, 1981). Many of the early studies were limited to uniaxial compression tests on frozen soils and ice. The constitutive equations describing the creep behaviour of frozen soil were obtained for uniaxial stress conditions. But these equations were generalized for complex stress conditions, such as triaxial stress state (Vyalov, 1962; Sayles, 1972; Ladanyi, 1972; Klein and Jessberger,1981). Frozen soils are often assumed to be incompressible. Based on this assumption, the hydrostatic stress should have no influence on the deformation and flow, i.e. no effect on the creep rate. Because of this assumption the creep constitutive equations in the literature often give zero strain condition is hydrostatic (Ladathe stress when nyi,1972;Andersland and Alnouri,1970; Diekmann and Jessberger,1982).

In this chapter, different constitutive equations, which describe the deformation behaviour of frozen soil are briefly reviewed.

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4.2 COMPOSITION OF FROZEN SOIL

Frozen soil is a four phase system consisting of mineral solid particles, unfrozen water, ice and gases. Each phase plays an important role in the behaviour of the frozen soil.

The shape, size and mineralogical composition of mineral solid particles are the primary factors in a frozen soil. The particle shape and size influence the contact and the surface tension between ice, unfrozen water and particles. The mineralogical composition affects the surface activity such as the exchangable cation which influences the thickness of the bonded water layer.

There are two states of unfrozen water present in the frozen soil, namely, the strongly-bonded water and the loose-The strongly-bonded water is attached to ly-bonded water. the solid particles. Interchangable cations produce an electro-molecular force which suppresses the formation of ice crystals, even at very low temperatures. The strongly- bonded water is surrounded by a layer of loosely-bonded water. Intermolecular forces are also present in this layer. The layer of loosely-bonded water is capable of releasing heat of crystallization (latent heat of fusion) at temperature below 0°C. The amount of unfrozen water present in the frozen chemisfluid soils depends the pore on try, temperature, external pressure, soil type and mineralogy.

Ice, the most important component in the frozen soil, dictates the deformation behaviour of frozen soil. The

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time, rate and temperature dependent deformation properties depend on the amount of ice present in the frozen soils. Ice present in the frozen soils is either pore ice or segregated ice or both, and is generally polycrystalline with a hexagonal ring structure. Gas and water vapour, only present in partially saturated frozen soil, influence the water content distribution.

More detailed studies of the composition of frozen soil are given in Morgenstern and Anderson (1973) and Ladanyi (1981).

4.3 CLASSIFICATION OF FROZEN SOIL

There are two different classification systems of frozen soil proposed in the literature. Weaver (1979) proposed a classification of frozen soils based on the ice-grains ratio. This classification system is shown in Table 4.1. Another classification system of frozen soils proposed by Russian Permafrost Construction Standards (U.S.S.R. 1969) is based on the temperature and the type of frozen soils. The temperature and the type of frozen soils reflect the amount of unfrozen water content. This type of frozen soils classification is shown in Table 4.2.

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TABLE 4.1

FROZEN SOIL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

(Proposed by Weaver,1979)

SOIL TYPE	DESCRIPTION
Dirty Ice	<pre> applies to ice that has a low solid concentration unit wt. = 0.9 - 1.0 Mg/cu.m the soil particles present reduce the average grain size of the ice crystal resulting in higher creep rates than pure ice</pre>
Very Dirty Ice	 applies to ice that has medium to high solids concentration unit wt. = 0.9 - 1.8 Mg/cu.m very little grain to grain contact between soil particles lower secondary creep rates than polycrystalline ice because soil impedes dislocation movement
Ice-Poor Frozen Soil	<pre> applies to saturated frozen soil whose deformation patterns are characterized primary creep unit wt. = 1.7 - 2.0 Mg/cu.m</pre>
Ice-Rich Frozen Soil	 applies to soils that have a continuous network of segregated ice the overall creep response is complex and is very sensitive to the reticulate structure of the segregated ice, bulk density grain size and ground temperature

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TABLE 4.2

CLASSIFICATION OF FROZEN SOILS

(Russian Permafrost Construction Standards, 1969)

SOIL TYPE	DESCRIPTION
Hard Frozen	well cemented ice bonding low unfrozen water content for silty sand T < -0.3°C for sandy loams T < -0.6°C for clay loams T < -1.0°C for clay T < -1.5°C
Plastic Frozen	<pre> little cemented ice bonding large amount of unfrozen water content for silty sand T > -0.3°C for sandy loams T > -0.6°C for clay loams T > -1.0°C for clay T > -1.5°C</pre>

4.4 DEFORMATION BEHAVIOUR OF FROZEN SOIL UNDER CONSTANT



A typical creep curve is shown in Figure 4.4.1a, and Figure 4.4.1b shows the relationship between strain rate and time. The total strain is composed of an instantaneous component and a time dependent component, both of which contain reversible and irreversible components. In general, the total strain under a continuous increase of stress (σ) with time (t) and temperature (T) may be written in the form

$$\varepsilon = E[\sigma(t), T] + \int_{0}^{t} G[\sigma(t), T] dt \qquad (4.1)$$

For a constant stress and a constant temperature, the instantaneous component is (t=0)

$$E[\sigma, T] = \varepsilon_{0}$$
(4.2)

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And the time dependent component or creep component is

$$\int_{0}^{t} G[\sigma, T] dt = \int_{0}^{t_{1}} \frac{\partial \varepsilon_{1}}{\partial t} dt + \int_{t_{1}}^{t_{2}} \frac{\partial \varepsilon_{2}}{\partial t} dt + \int_{t_{2}}^{t_{3}} \frac{\partial \varepsilon_{3}}{\partial t} dt \dots (4.3)$$

As shown in Figure 4.4.1 ,the three time dependent functions in Eqn.(4.3) are :

- [I] Primary creep whose creep rate decreases with time.
- 2. [II] Secondary creep whose creep rate is at a minimum
- 3. [III] Tertiary creep whose creep rate increases and accelerates, and leads to ultimate failure.

The shape of the creep curve differs with respect to the stress magnitude (Figure 4.4.2) . At a stress level lower than the long-term strength, the strain is damped with time. Nondamped creep results when the stress levels in question exceeds the long-term strength. The higher the applied stress the sooner the failure occurs. The strength which relates the stress with time to failure is shown in Figure 4.4.3 . The strength loses with increasing of load durations. Vyalov (1963) defined the asymtote to the curve as the long-term strength.

The long-term strength of ice is zero. Nondamped creep results at any stress levels above zero. For ice-poor, dense frozen soils, the deformation response is characterized by damped creep. For ice-rich soils, the deformation response is either nondamped and damped dependent upon the ratio of ice to soil solid, as well as the stress magnitude (Vyalov ,1959).

According to Tsytovich (1975) the application of a constant external load may cause local stress concentration, resulting in plastic flow and melting of ice. As a result of

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this, the pressure gradient from the difference of surface tension causes the melted ice to migrate into a lower stress zone,where it again refreezes. Simultaneously,the intermolecular and ice-cementation bonds break down and mineral particles slip. The pressure melting process is accompanied by reorientation of the ice crystal,which tends to orient with thier basal plane to the slide direction. This results in a reduction in shearing resistance,i.e.,a weakening process. The strengthening process begins at the particles slip,the particles packing becoming denser and the ice-cementation bonds increasing as the melted ice refreezes. Damped creep occurs when the strengthening overcome weakening,otherwise nondamped creep results.







Fig.4.4.3 Continuous strength curve. (after Vyalov,1963).

4.5 THE CONSTITUTIVE EQUATIONS OF FROZEN SOILS

In the literature, most of the constitutive equations of frozen soils under multiaxial state of stress were derived from the following expression (Odqvist, 1966) :

$$\hat{\varepsilon}_{ii}^{c} = F (J_2^{s}, J_3^{s}) \cdot S_{ij}$$

$$(4.4)$$

where

$$\hat{\epsilon}_{ij}^{c}$$
 = creep rate tensor or
time rate of the infinitestimal
strain tensor
 S_{ij} = deviatoric stress tensor
 J_{2}^{s} = second deviatoric stress invariant
= $1/2 S_{ij} S_{ij}$
 J_{2}^{s} = third deviatoric stress invariant
= $1/3 S_{ij} S_{jk} S_{ki}$

with

$$S_{ij} = \sigma_{ij} - \frac{1}{3} \sigma_{kk} \delta_{ij}$$

where

$$\sigma_{ij}$$
 = stress tensor
 δ_{ij} = kroneckor delta

The basic assumptions used in the derivation of the constitutive equations are :

 The material is incompressible which implies that no volume change occurs during creep.

- The hydrostatic stress has no influence on the strain rates.
- The true elastic deformation is much more smaller than the sum of plastic and creep deformation (Vyalov,1963; Ladanyi,1972).

Multiaxial experimental results are rare and therefore most of the creep equations of complex stress conditions in the literature were formulated using uniaxial creep test data. The constitutive creep equation for frozen soils is commonly represented empirically by a simple power law in the form

 $\dot{\varepsilon} = A \sigma^n$ (4.5)

where

 $\dot{\epsilon}$ = axial strain rate A = temperature dependent deformation modulus σ = axial stress

n = creep exponent

For multiaxial state of stress conditions, the equation may be written as (Jyalov, 1962; Odqvist, 1966)

$$\dot{\varepsilon}_{e} = A \sigma_{e}^{n} \tag{4.6}$$

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where

$$\tilde{e}_e$$
 = equivalent strain rate tensor
 σ_e = equivalent stress tensor

The equivalent stress tensor, which is a function of deviatoric stress tensor only, is defined by the square root of the second invariant of deviatoric stress tensor multiplied by a constant. Similarly, the equivalent strain rate tensor, which is a function of shearing deformation only, is defined by the square root of the second invariant of shear strain rate tensor. Several different equivalent stress and strain rate tensors have been used in the literature, such as



Due to the stress raised exponentially in the simple power law, the different constants in the equivalent stress and strain rate tensors may result in a nonlinear relationship between stress and strain rate (Roggensack,1977). The different experimental parameter, A, may be obtained for different equivalent stress and strain rate tensors, but the end result is the same.

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Odqvist and Hult (1962) adopted the power law to generalize the creep equation for uniaxial and multiaxial state of stress,of nondamped creep behaviour of metallic materials. Assuming the validity of the Von Mises plasticity rule and the volume constancy for all plastic deformation including the creep deformation, the power law describing the steady state creep is expressed in terms of equivalent strain rate and stress as

$$\dot{\epsilon}_{e} = \dot{\epsilon}_{c} \left(\sigma_{e}/\sigma_{c}\right)^{n} \tag{4.7}$$

where

For axially symmetric state of stress, the equivalent strain rate becomes

$$\dot{\varepsilon}_{s} = \dot{\varepsilon}_{c} \left[\frac{\sigma_{1} - \sigma_{3}}{\sigma_{c}} \right]$$
(4.8)

where

$$\sigma_1 - \sigma_3$$
 = principal stress difference

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The strain rate in Equations 6 and 7 are independent of hydrostatic pressure. The hydrostatic pressures influence not only the peak strength but also the stress-strain-strain rate behaviour in the pre-failure state of unconsolidated frictional earth materials (Vyalov et al,1962; Gorodetsky,1975; Ladanyi,1972) (Figure 4.5.1). The effect of confining pressures on creep and strength on frozen sand has been studied by Sayles (1972) and Alkire and Andersland (1973). Sayles(1972) reported that the creep strain can be reduced by increasing the confining pressure. In the finding of Alkire and Andersland study, they reported that the creep strain rate decreases exponentially with an increase in confining pressures.

Vyalov (1962) proposed that the strength of frozen soils can be represented by a set of failure envelopes of Mohr circles at failure, where each envelope corresponds to a given time to failure (Fig.4.5.2).

The creep strain equation in the pre-failure state as proposed by Vyalov (1978) has taken into the account of the effect of mean normal stress.

$$\varepsilon_{e} = \left[\frac{C_{\infty}}{B}\right]^{1/m} \left[\frac{\sigma_{e} t^{\alpha}}{C_{\infty} + \sigma_{m} t_{an} \phi_{\infty}}\right]$$
(4.9)



 Fig.4.5.1 Effect of confining pressure on creep strain. (after Vyalov,1963).



Fig. 4.5.2 Mohr circle failure envelope at each given time to failure. (after Vyalov,1963).

where

$$C_{\infty}$$
 = temperature dependent adhesion at
 $t = \infty$
 ϕ_{∞} = internal friction angle at $t = \infty$
 m = experimental creep exponents
 $B = \omega (1+\theta)^k$ = temperature experimental parameter
 α = material characteristic

For uniaxial state of stress, Equation 6 transforms into

$$\varepsilon_{e} = \left[\frac{\sigma_{e} t^{\alpha}}{B}\right]^{1/m}$$
(4.10)

Ladanyi (1972) modified the equation originally proposed by Vyalov (1962) and Hult (1966) to account for the mean normal stress by using a two or a three parameter failure theory. Assuming the validity of Coulomb-Mohr failure criterion in the pre-failure state.The pre-failure steady state creep rate equation, for axial symmetry condition, was expressed in terms of mean normal stress and principal stress difference as :

$$\dot{\varepsilon}^{(c)} = \dot{\varepsilon}_{c} \left[\frac{(f+2) (\sigma_{1} - \sigma_{3}) - 3(f-1) \sigma_{m}}{3 \sigma_{c}} \right]$$
(4.11)

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where

and

$$\sigma_{c} = \sigma_{cu} f(\theta)$$

$$f(\theta) = (1 + \frac{\theta}{\theta_{c}})^{\omega}$$

$$f = \frac{1 + \sin \phi}{1 - \sin \phi}$$

$$\sigma_{\rm m} = \frac{1}{3} (\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3)$$

 $\dot{\varepsilon}_{c}$ = artbitrary strain rate σ_{c} = creep modulus for a given $\dot{\varepsilon}_{c}$ ω = temperature exponent θ_{c} = 1° C σ_{cu} = value of σ_{c} at $\dot{\varepsilon}_{c}$ obtained from uniaxial compression

Equation 11 assumes full mobilization of internal friction (f = constant) over the whole region of pre-failure state. The assumption leads to a non-zero strain rate at zero stress difference. This implies that the application of equation 8 should be limited either to strains close to failure or to those contained with a narrow range of mobilization of internal friction. The limitation may be overcome by assuming a time dependent internal friction. For frictionless soil, f = 1, the equation is the same as equation 5.

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For frozen soils with low internal friction,Ladanyi (1972) proposed to use the extended von Mises failure criterion, a three-principal-stress failure criterion, to account for the effect of mean normal stress. For the case of axial symmetry, the steady state strain rate in the pre-failure state is written as

$$\dot{\varepsilon}^{(c)} = \dot{\varepsilon}_{c} \left[\frac{(r+1) (\sigma - \sigma) - 3 (r-1) \sigma}{2 \sigma_{c}} \right]^{n} \dots (4.12)$$

where

r = the ratio between uniaxial compression
and tension creep strength

As the same discussion before,equation 12 yields a nonzero strain rate at a zero stress difference with an assumed constant strength ratio r. The limitation may be overcome by assuming the mean normal stress has no effect on the strain rate in the pre-failure state, and only the creep strength is dependent on the mean normal stress.

Andersland and Alnouri (1970) proposed the steady state strain rate equation based on the exponential law to account for the effect of mean normal stress at intermediate or high stress levels. The strain rate equation for axially symmetric state of stress is written as

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$$\dot{\varepsilon}^{(c)} = \frac{A \exp N (\sigma_1 - \sigma_3)}{F(T) \exp(M\sigma_m)}$$
(4.13)

where

A,N and M are experimental parameters and
F(T) = exp (L/T) and
L = U/R
U = activation energy
T = absolute temperature
R = universal gas constant

Again,equation 13 subject to the same limitation as equations ll and l2, if the creep exponent M is assumed to be constant.

Jessberger and Diekmann (1982) modified the equations originally proposed by Vyalov (1962) to account for the influence of confining pressure. The creep equation for axially symmetric state of stress and isothermal condition is written as

$$\overset{\bullet}{\varepsilon}(c) = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma - \sigma \\ \frac{1}{2} & 3 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ k \end{bmatrix}^{\rho} \qquad (4.14)$$

where

$$E_{k} = triaxial modulus$$
$$= (J \cdot \sigma_{3}^{n} \cdot t^{s})^{-1/\rho}$$

and

 ρ and s are material constants

j and n are temperature dependent parameters.

The creep equations proposed by Vyalov (1962),Ladanyi (1972), Andersland and Alnouri (1970), and Jessberger and Diekmann (1982) give zero strain when the stress is hydrostatic. Some recent studies show that the validity of the assumption of isochoric creep, i.e. no volume change, may have a rather restricted domain.

Baker et al (1981) conducted triaxial compression tests with volume-change measurement on frozen Ottawa sand at -6 °C. The finding of the study reported that 2 % volumetric strain developed in the sample when the axial strain was 6.5 %, and this was corresponded to a strain rate of 10^{-4} sec⁻¹. At low strain rate (< 10^{-6} sec⁻¹), the volume change was negligible.

A seperate study by Bragg and Andersland (1982) who conducted constant-stress uniaxial creep tests on frozen sand at -6 °C. The axial and volumetric strain were measured during the tests. They found that the volumetric strain developed in the sample was negligible when the axial strain was less than 2 %. But the volumetric strain could approach half the value of the axial strain when the axial strain was above 5 %.

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CHAPTER 5

TESTING PROGRAM

5.1 INTRODUCTION

This study is part of a broader investigation by the Geotechnical group at the University of Manitoba into the long-term multiaxial creep behaviour of frozen saline soils that simulate those beneath the Beaufort Sea. The seabottom permafrost in the Beaufort Sea, as mentioned in previous chapters, was either ice-bonded or non ice-bonded saline mixtures of sand, silt or clay. Because of the prohibitive cost of sampling the seabottom permafrost, artificially prepared samples were used in the first stage of the research pro-Uniform sandy silt was used , and the properties were gram. somewhat similar to sediments which have been encountered in the Beaufort seabottom. Isotropic compression tests with volume-change measurements were conducted on the samples. The data was used to model creep behaviour under isotropic compression and to obtain a psuedo-elastic bulk modulus to be used in Domaschuk's method of estimating settlements of artificial islands in the Beaufort Sea. Domaschuk'method is an extension of that which Domaschuk and Valliappan (1975) developed to provide a nonlinear approximate solution to the ultimate settlement of structures on clay. A brief review of Domaschuk's method is given in the following paragraphs.

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The constitutive equation for an isotropic linearly elastic solid may be written in terms of the bulk modulus K and shear modulus G as

$$\sigma_{ij} = K \varepsilon_{ii} \delta_{ij} + 2G (\varepsilon_{ij} - \frac{1}{3} \varepsilon_{kk} \delta_{ij}) \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots (a)$$

where

 σ_{ij} = ijth stress component ε_{ij} = ijth strain component δ_{ij} = kronecker delta $\frac{1}{3} \varepsilon_{ii}$ = mean normal strain component

Similary, displacement equations can also be written in terms of deformation parameters (K and G). For example (Domaschuk and Wade, 1969), the displacement equation of a circular loaded area on soil may be expressed in terms of K and G as

$$W_{z} = Pa_{1} \left[\frac{1}{2G} \sin \delta + \left(\frac{27K^{2}}{6K+2G} \right) \left(\frac{1-\cos\delta}{\sin\delta} \right) \right] \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots (b)$$

where

wz = displacement in z direction
p = uniform circular distributed load
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z = depth
a_l = radius of circular area
 = arctan (a_l/ z)

Strictly speaking, Equations (a) and (b) apply only to a linear elastic solid undergoing small deformations. But Domaschuk and Valliappan method stepped beyond the linear The deformation parameters (K and G) were no elasticity. longer taken as constants, but they were stress state and soil properties dependent. This method showed that the linear elasticity approach when combined with the finite element method could be used to provide a nonlinear approximate solution to the ultimate settlement of structures resting on clay. The bulk and shear moduli solutions were obtained independently by drained triaxial compression tests. Isotropic compression tests were used to determine the bulk modulus, and constant-mean-normal stress triaxial compression tests were used to determine the shear modulus. Solutions for these two parameters were developed in terms of soil properties and prevailing state of stress.

In the writer's program, only isotropic compression tests were conducted on the artificially prepared saline samples. Sample preparation, testing equipment, testing procedures and test results are presented in this chapter.

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5.2 SAMPLE PREPARATION

In order to investigate the creep behaviour of frozen saline soils under isotropic compression, the prepared samples had to be reproducible. Sample preparation techniques as described by Baker (1976) were adopted in this study. Properties which affect the mechanical behaviour of frozen soils are nonhomogeneity, grain size distribution, moisture content (unfrozen water content and / or ice content), anisotropy, density and chemical content. In the study, the frozen soil specimens were prepared to approximately the same density, salt content and moisture content.

A non-plastic glaciolacustrine silt consisting of 34 % sand,56 % silt and 10 % clay was used in the study. The grain size distribution is shown in Figure 5.2.1. This silt was classified as highly frost susceptible (Charleson,1981). The silt has specific gravity of 2.71 and a standard proctor optimum moisture content of 15 %, and a standard proctor density of 18.5 KN/m^3 .

5.2.1 METHOD OF SAMPLE PREPARATION

The method of specimen preparation, which includes compaction, saturation and freezing, is described below:

1. COMPACTION

A plexiglass split mould with two end caps, developed by Baker (1976), was modified for preparation of cylindrical frozen specimens. The

split mould assembly is shown in Figure 5.2.2 and further details are given in Appendix IV.An aluminum cylindrical rod,32 mm. in diameter and 175 mm. in length,was used as a tamper for compaction of the sample.

The sample consisting of approximately 1500 g. of dry silt,mixed with saline water (water content =15 % and salt content =1.5 % by weight of dry soil),was formed by compacting 25 mm. thick layers in the split mould. Fourty drops of the tamper for each layer was necessary to achieve the desired proctor dry density of 16.6 KN/m³. The compacted specimens was approximately 76 mm. in diameter and 210 mm. in height. The properties of the specimens after compaction are presented in Table 1.

2. SATURATION

The compacted specimens were saturated under a 610 mm. head of water. Air in the sample was removed under vacuum. The vacuum was left on for four hours or until a layer of water drawn by vacuum covered the sample. The purpose of using distilled water to saturate the sample was to dilute the pore fluid salinity to about 60 parts per thousand, which is approximately twice as high as normal sea water (30 ppt).

After compaction, a porous stone was placed on top of the compacted specimen. The top end of the split

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mould was then tightened by four bolts, and the piston with a plexiglass top cap was lowered and locked to the porous stone. The control valve was opened to allow distilled water to flow into the sample, and a low suction pressure was applied through the top. The saturation system is shown in Figure 5.2.3 . The saturation process was completed within a period of 24 hours.

3. FREEZING

All the samples were frozen in the same manner. The split mould with its compacted-saturated specimen A thin access tube was was placed in a wooden box. attached to the hose fixture at the bottom of the mould to allow collection of any water expelled from the sample due to a build up of cryostatic pressure, or to act as free water supplied to the sample during freezing process. The water level was kept the same in the access tube and in the mould to prevent drainage prior to freezing. A heating cable was placed around the mould and the access tube to prevent freezing of water in the tube and to control the temperature around the mould. The temperature of the heating cable was controlled by adjusting the transformer which supplied power to the cable. This allowed control of the rate of freezing of the specimen.

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uniaxial freezing of the speci-To ensure men, vermiculite was carefully placed around the The top end of the mould, the top cap and the mould. porous stone were removed during freezing (Figure 5.2.4) . Freezing of the specimen was carried out in a deep freezer at -25 °C. Three thermocouples were placed along the wall of the mould. One was at the bottom of the mould, while the other two were 60 mm. and 120 mm. from the bottom of the mould. Thermocouples were connected to a thermal reader with a readout accuracy of \pm 0.3 °C. The rate of freezing of the sample was determined from thermocouples readings. The average freezing rate of the specimen was about 25 mm.per day. After the samples were frozen, they were chilled to one or two degrees celcius below the proposed test temperture. No ice lens formation was observed in all of the samples with the exception of Sample A06 during freezing, but an increase in volume of specimens occurred due to the phase change.



Fig.5.2.1 Grain size distribution curve.



Fig.5.2.2 Plexiglass split mould.



Fig.5.2.3 Sample saturation system.



Fig.5.2.4 Freezing of specimen.

5.3 TESTING EQUIPMENT

A double-walled triaxial cell similar to that developed by Mitchell and Burn (1971), and later modified by Baker et al (1981), was used. Further modifications were done in the University of Manitoba, Department of Civil Engineering machine shop to suit this research program. The triaxial testing system is shown in Figure 5.3.1. Details of the design and modifications are given in the Appendix III.

The double-walled triaxial cell used is shown in Figure 5.3.2 . No drainage was provided through the pedestal, but three air-dried porous stones were placed on top of the pedestal to collect any drainage. An O-ring provided a seal between the cell base and cylinder, which was clamped to the cell base with six bolts. The inner cylinder was tightened by four steel rods with nuts on top of the cover. To ensure that no leakage occurred, an O-ring seal was placed in between the inner cylinder and top cover, as well as the inner cylinder and cell base. The outer cylinder was installed before the inner cylinder.

During most of the testing, the cell pressure was supplied by an air-line and regulator system. The air-line provided constant pressure up to 700 kpa. Pressures above this were supplied by a tank of dry-pressurized nitrogen gas. The disadvantange of using an air-line was that moisture in the air could freeze and subsequently plug the pipe. Dry air is recommended for future research. The cell pressure was moni-

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tored by pressure transducers and a calibrated digital voltmeter (DVM, electrical signal conditional). One pressure transducer was attached to one of the cell drainage leads and the other one was attached to the volume-change measurement device drainage lead. The pressure transducers were calibrated by using a gradual mercury column which, when coupled with the signal conditional DVM, provided an accuracy to within \pm 1.0 kpa. The pressure transducers were calibrated prior to each test.

The volume-change measurement device (VCMD) was designed to measure the volume displacement of the triaxial cell fluid automatically. The antifreeze (ethylene glycol) level in the VCMD was kept at the same level as in the triaxial cell. One direct current displacement transducer (DCDT or LVDT) connected to an Hp digital multimeter was used to measure the plexiglass float movement in the VCMD. The antifreeze used in the testing was compressible and sensitive to temperature. Because pressure and temperature fluctuations caused the fluid and the apparatus to contract or expand,it was necessary to calibrate the glass float movement for each temperature increment. The LVDT calibrations are given in Appendix II.



Fig.5.3.1 Triaxial apparatus assembly.

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5.4 SAMPLE TRIMMING AND BUILDING-IN PROCEDURES

In any laboratory testing program it is important to have a complete set of the necessary equipment prepared in advance. It is especially true in frozen soil testing since the time of sample exposure during trimming and building-in must be kept to a minimum. This section presents the step by step procedures used in equipment preparation, sample trimming and sample building-in.

- Sample trimming and building-in equipment was assembled.
 - A) Sample trimming equipment one hack saw one steel split mould with 76 mm. inner diameter and 152 mm. in length two weighed tares
 - B) Sample building-in equipment three 76 mm. diameter porous stones one 76 mm. diameter rubber membrane (natural) five 76 mm. diameter rubber O-rings (neoprene) one 76 mm. diameter steel top cap one membrane stretcher.
- 2. The deaired antifreeze was prepared.
- 3. The top covers of the inner and outer cylinders, the inner cylinder, the piston and the pedestal were removed from the triaxial cell.

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- 4. The deaired antifreeze and all the equipment were kept in the cold room at the test temperature for at least 24 hours prior to sample trimming.
- 5. A frozen sample was prepared.
- 6. The frozen sample was placed in the steel split mould and trimmed to the required length.
- The porous stone was removed from the bottom end of sample.
- The trimmed sample was removed from steel split mould and wrapped with saran wrap.
- 9. The sample was left in the freezing chamber for at least an hour to ensure that any thermal disturbance induced by trimming was eliminated. The sample was weighed before building-in.
- 10. The trimmings were collected for determining the ice content of the sample.
- 11. Three porous stones were placed on top of pedestal and the trimmed sample with the top cap in place was placed on the pedestal. A layer of lubricant was placed between the top cap and the sample (thickness of lubricant was about 0.5 mm. thick).
- 12. Five rubber O-rings were put on the bottom half of the membrane stretcher, along with one thin rubber membrane.
- 13. The membrane stretcher was lowered over the pedestal and the membrane was placed on the sample, with three

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O-rings at the bottom just below the porous stones and two O-rings at the top, just above the sample.

- 14. The outside of the membrane was moistened with antifreeze to eliminate any entrapped air between the Orings and membrane.
- 15. The pedestal, sample and top cap was lowered into the triaxial cell and was properly seated on the base.
 - Note : Care was taken to ensure that the pedestal, sample and top cap was slowly lowered to the bottom of the cell without dropping.

16. The inner cylinder was lowered onto the cell base.17. The inner cylinder top-cover was placed on top of the inner cylinder and was tightened with four brass screws.

- Note : Care was taken to ensure that the inner cylinder sat properly on the cell base and that the O-ring seal in the top-cover was in proper contact with the inner cylinder, otherwise leaks would occur during testing.
- 18. The inner cell was filled three-quarters full with deaired antifreeze.

19. The piston was greased with lubricant (silicone oil).

20. Four 30-mm. diameter rubber bushings were placed on the top of outer cylinder and the top-cover of the outer cylinder was put on top of them.

- 21. A measuring stick was inserted into the piston hole to record the height from the steel ball to the top of the outer cylinder top-cover. This height was marked onto the piston.
- 22. The piston was inserted into the piston hole to the ball bearing.
- 23. The rest of the inner cell was filled with antifreeze until the fluid began to flow from the bleed valve.
- 24. The bleed valve was plugged with a brass nut.
- 25. The rubber bushings were removed and the top-cover was lowered on top of the outer cylinder and it was tightened with four screws.
- 26. The volume-change measurement device was filled with deaired antifreeze to the same level as the height of the antifreeze in the triaxial cell.
- 27. A small amount of pressure, about 7 to 15 kpa., was applied to check for any leakage of system.
- 28. If no leakage was observed, the sample was ready for the first pressure increment of loading.

5.5 TESTING PROCEDURE

Single-step and multi-step cell pressure increments were applied to the samples at test temperatures of -15°C,-10 °C,and -5°C. One Sample,A02,was tested using ten pressure increments of 70 kpa.each while the temperature was held at -15°C. Before the application of each subsequent pressure increment, the sample was allowed to compress until no further volume change could be measured. After the multi-step test on the sample at -15 °C was completed, the pressure was released, and the sample was allowed to recover. Then the test temperature was raised from -15 °C to -10 °C, and the temperature of the sample was assumed to reach equilibrium after 24 hours. Another multi-step creep test, which followed the procedure of the -15 °C test described above, was conducted on Sample A02 at -10 °C. By using the same procedure, another multi-step test was repeated on Sample A02 at -5 °C.

Another sample,A06,was tested using five pressure increments of 140 kpa. each at the temperature of -15° C. Two additional tests were carried out on two other samples,A07 and A08,using pressure increments of 350 kpa. and 700 kpa. respectively. A simplified numbering system was adopted for identification of each test. The first three digits identify the sample number,and the last three digits identify the temperature and pressure increment of the test. For example,A0215-2 refers to the second pressure increment (n=2) of the multi-step test on Sample A02 conducted at -15° C.

In each test the sample properties before and after testing were determined. Hence the amount of unfrozen pore fluid was not determined and the samples were assumed to be totally frozen. All the samples were not at 100 % saturation after freezing. Details of the sample properties before and

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after testing are given in Table 5.1, and the details of the volume change and recovery are given in Table 5.2.

Table 5.2

Sample Volume change and Recovery

SAMPLE NO.	Vo (CC.)	∆V _{wt} (CC.)	V _{NR} (CC.)	ε_{V}^{∞} (%)	ε _p (%)
A0215	644.16	28.27	9.39	4.39	1.46
A0210	634.77	15.66	7.64	2.47	1.20
A0205	627.13	15.35		2.45	

 V_{NR} = Non recoverable volume change

 ε_p = Non recoverable part of the ultimate volumetric strain

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	Sam	ple Details	

[]	SAM	IPLE NO.	A0215	A0210	A0205	A0715	A0815	A0615
c	W	(%)	13.9			15.1	14.9	14.9
о м	y	(KN/m)	16.9			16.4	16.6	16.9
P A	e		0.59			0.65	0.62	0.59
C - T	S	(%)	64			63	65	68
	NaC	Cl (ppt)	97			90	91	92
В	W	(%)	22.4			20.8	17.7	18.0
E T - F E	8	(KN/m)	14.8	14.9	15.0	15.7	16.2	16.5
OS· RT	e		0.82	0.79	0.77	0.71	0.66	0.63
E .	s	(%)	81			87	79	84
-	Na	Cl (ppt)	63			67	78	77
A FT- TES- RT	W	(%)			21.7	20.3	17.6	18.0
	8	(KN/m)		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	15.6	16.1	16.5	16.8
	e		۵۵ میں جب میں بی جب میں دو 		0.72	0.66	0.63	0.66
	s	(%)			82	83	76	81

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5.6 TEST RESULTS

During the isotropic compression test, the sample volume change was recorded at regular time intervals for each stress increment and was converted to volumetric strain. The volumetric strain at any time t during the stress application was defined as

$$\varepsilon_{\mathbf{v}} = -\left[\frac{\mathbf{V}(\mathbf{t}) - \mathbf{V}(0)}{\mathbf{V}(0)}\right]$$
(5.1)

where

t = time elapsed from time t = 0V(t) = volume of sample at time t V(0) = original volume of the sample

The ultimate volumetric strain ϵ_v^∞ of a sample was defined as

$$\varepsilon_{v}^{\infty} = -\left[\frac{v_{\infty} - v(0)}{v(0)}\right]$$
(5.2)

where

 V_{∞} = the volume at the end of each stress increment
Figure 5.6.1 shows the volumetric strain-time graphs of three multi-step tests on Sample A02 under test temperatures of -15°C,-10°C and -5°C. The start of each stress increment is indicated by an arrow. Samples A07 and A08 were tested at a temperature of -15°C under isotropic stresses of 350 kpa.and 700 kpa.respectively. Figure 5.6.2 shows the volumetric strain-time graphs for Sample A0715, A0815 and the first-step of Sample A0215 which was tested at -15°C. As can be seen from Figures 5.6.1 and 5.6.2, the volumetric strains of the samples were time dependent. For each stress increment most of the volumetric strain occurred within a relatively short period of time following the stress application. This initial deformation may be attributed to the instantaneous compression of the gaseous phase, elastic compression of the solid particles and some particle reorientation.

5.6.1 EFFECT OF STRESS REPETITION

From Figure 5.6.1 , it can be seen that the volumetric strains of samples during the second stress increment were generally larger than during the first increment for all three temperatures. Thereafter the volumetric strain per stress increment generally decreased with each stress increment. One exception was the tenth stress increment for Sample A0205.

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5.6.2 EFFECT OF TEMPERATURE

Samples tested at temperatures of -15 °C and -10 °C were ice-bonded and ice-poor. Sample A02 was non ice-bonded when tested under -5°C. Figure 5.6.1 shows that Sample A02 developed much larger volumetric strain at the temperature of -15°C than at the other two warmer temperatures of -10°C and -5°C. The total volumetric strains of Sample A02 when tested at two warmer temperatures (-10 $^{\circ}$ C and -5 $^{\circ}$ C) were about 45 %less than those tested at -15°C. This is contrary to the expectation that the warmer soil would be more compressible. This apparent anomaly is attributed to the fact that Sample A02 had been subjected to a history of loading and recovery before it was tested at the two warmer temperatures. The history of loading has two major effects on the sample, a strain hardening effect and an irrecoverable volume change effect under consolidation. Because of the loading history effect, no definite conclusion could be drawn from the results regarding the influence of temperature on the compressibility of the frozen soil under isotropic compression. For the same reasons no conclusion could be made regarding the difference in the responses of ice-bonded and non icebonded materials to isotropic compression. The total volumetric strains of Samples A0215, A0210 and A0205 after the completion of multi-step tests were 4.4 % ,2.47 % and 2.45 % respectively.

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5.6.3 EFFECT OF STRESS INCREMENT

A comparison of the three single-step volumetric straintime curves in Figure 5.6.2 indicates that the sample tested at the lowest stress level (A0215) required less time to achieve complete isotropic compression than the samples (A0715 and A0815) tested at higher stress levels. The magnitude of the volumetric strain varied with the applied pressure. The larger the applied pressure , the larger the volumetric strain.

Figure 5.6.3 shows the volumetric strain of a multi-step test on Sample A06 under a test temperature of -15°C. Five steps of stress increments were applied to the sample, and each stress increment was 140 kpa.. The sample was found to have a 1 mm.thick layer of segregated ice and in this way differed from the other samples. As seen from the figure, a large instantaneous deformation occurred in the first stress increment. The total volumetric strain of Sample A06 was 4.8 percent.

5.6.4 CREEP ANALYSIS

For creep analysis, the volume change was represented by an "incremental volumetric strain". For each stress increment the "incremental volumetric strain" was defined as

$$\varepsilon_{v}^{i} = - \left[\frac{V(t) - V(0^{-})}{V(0^{-})} \right]$$
(5.3)

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where

t = time elapsed since the increment of stress in question V(t) = volume of sample at time t V(0⁻)= volume of sample just before the increment of stress

The first step incremental volumetric strain of the multi-step test is the same as the volumetric strain defined previously. The incremental volumetric strain- time graphs for the first-step of the multi-step tests at three test temperatures are shown in Figure 5.6.4. The incremental volumetric strain-time graphs of the tenth step (n = 10) at temperature -15°C, the third step (n = 3) at temperature -10 °C and the second step (n=2) at temperature -5°C are shown in Figure 5.6.5.

The incremental volumetric strain-time test data was fitted by an appropriate hyperbolic function of the form :

$$\varepsilon_{\rm v}^{\rm i} = \frac{t}{a+bt} \tag{5.4}$$

where

a = initial tangent
b = reciprocal of the ultimate
value of
$$\varepsilon_v^i$$

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Both'a' and 'b' were determined empirically for each curve. The hyperbolic function provided a good fit for the data with the exception of the first few hours after the stress application. The long-term deformation was the major concern in this study, and the hyperbolic model was to be considered suitable. Typical hyperbolic curve fittings are shown in Figures 5.6.4,5.6.5 and 5.6.6.

The results of the Sample A06 tested at a temperature of -15°C under stress increments of 140 kpa.were not used for comparative purposes, because of the samples high ice-content in relation to the other samples. The test data and incremental volumetric strain-time graphs for Samples A02, A06, A07 and A08 are given in Appendix I.

The incremental volumetric strain-time curves shown in Figures 5.6.4 , 5.6.5 and 5.6.6 indicate that with time the incremental volumetric strain initially decreased at a relatively rapid rate, then the rate of decreasing became very slow and approached zero. The creep rate $\dot{\epsilon}_v$ taken as the derivative of Eqn.(5.4) with respect to time is given by :

$$\dot{\epsilon}_{v} = \frac{\dot{\epsilon}_{i}}{(1 + bt \dot{\epsilon}_{i})^{2}}$$
(5.5)

where

 $\dot{\epsilon}_i = 1/a = initial creep rate$

The initial creep rate and parameters a and b for each curves are given in Table 5.3.

The creep rate-time curves of Sample A0215,A0615,A0715 and A0815 are shown in Figures 5.6.7 and 5.6.8. The creep rate was high right after loading, and decreased sharply as time proceeded. The long term creep rate approached zero for all the stress increments. As indicated from the figures the creep rate varied with applied pressure. The larger the applied pressure, the slower the creep rate would attenuate.

5.6.5 BULK MODULUS ANALYSIS

For the hyperbolic volumetric strain relationship, the time dependent bulk modulus is given as :

$$K(t) = \frac{\sigma_{m} (a + bt)}{t}$$
(5.6)

The values of time dependent bulk modulus computed from Eqn.(5.6) for three single-step tests were plotted against time in Figure 5.6.9. As can be seen from the figure, the bulk modulus decreased sharply in a period of time after loading (t < 30 hours), and became essentially constant. The values of bulk modulus computed from the Eqn.(5.6) for different stress increments and temperatures are given in Table 5.4.

In the previous section, ε_v^{∞} was defined as the ultimate volumetric strain of the sample under a given increase in mean normal stress. Figure 5.6.10 shows the relationship between the ultimate volumetric strain and isotropic stress for Samples A0215,A0210 and A0205. The ultimate secant bulk modulus $K_{\rm e}$ of the sample in question is defined as

$$K_{\infty} = \frac{\sigma}{\varepsilon_{x}}$$
(5.7)

Figure 5.6.11 shows the relationship of the ultimate bulk modulus with the isotropic stress for Samples A0215,A0715 and A0815. It suggests that the K_{∞} of the Sample A0215 is approximately linear with isotropic stress. The K_{∞} depends not only the ultimate isotropic stress but also on the loading history. For example, the K_{∞} of Sample A0215 at isotropic stress of 350 kpa. depends not only on the additional 70 kpa., but also on that previously applied isotropic stress of 280 kpa. . The comparison of K_{∞} on Samples A0215, A0715 and A0815 in Figure 5.6.11 suggests that the single-step loading and multi- step monotonic-increase loading might have approximately the same effect on samples. From the test data, no definite conclusion can be drawn on the effect of single-step and multi-step loading on ultimate secant bulk modulus.

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For nonlinear relationship of ultimate strain and isotropic stress, the tangent bulk modulus may be defined as

$$K = \cdot \lim_{\Delta \varepsilon_{\mathbf{u}}^{\infty} \to 0} \frac{\Delta \sigma}{\Delta \varepsilon_{\mathbf{u}}^{\infty}} = \frac{d\sigma}{d\varepsilon_{\mathbf{u}}^{\infty}}$$
(5.8)

From Figure 5.6.13, it shows that the relationship of ultimate volumetric strain with isotropic stress can approximately be represented by two linear sections. This indicates that the tangent bulk modulus is constant when the ultimate isotropic stress is below 210 kpa., and becomes another constant when the isotropic stress exceeds 210 kpa.. Yet, from the test data, no definite conclusion could be drawn for the effect of temperature and stress increment on tangent ultimate bulk modulus.

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Hyperbolic Function Parameters

SAMPLE NO.		A0215			A0210			A0205	
n		а	b		а	b		a	b
1	20.2	49.4	1.57	19.6	50.9	2.28	3.1	322.2	2.48
2	19.9	50.2	1.27	16.7	59.7	1.80	60.6	1,6.5	2.21
3	12.0	83.2	1.64	5.7	175.3	2.44	18.1	55.1	2.74
4	7.5	134.0	7.24	3.3	305.5	9.90	3.6	281.9	4.51
5	11.8	85.0	3.19	1.4	718.3	4.2	3.0	337.6	7.04
6	7.3	137.9	2.54	0.6	1596.	9.45	2.0	513.5	7.51
7	1.9	532.6	2.91	0.5	2209.	5.77	0.4	2412.	9.83
8	3.6	279.4	2.34	0.2	4977.	4.31	0.9	1106.	5.35
9	2.6	387.3	3.92	0.1	6898.	9.84	0.9	1082.	9.10
10	2.3	436.6	3.91	0.4	2391.	4.73	2.2	456.2	2.28
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Table 5.3 (Continue)

Hyperbolic Function Parameters

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SAMPLE NO.		A0715			AU815	
n		а	b		a	b
l	2.9	343.3	0.47	16.6	60.2	0.26
2	3.1	322.2	2.06	4.7	210.9	1.38

Table 5.4

Values of Long-term Bulk Modulus

_	TEMP.	SAMPLE	ISO.STRESS	K (T>30 hr.)
_	-15 C	A0815	700 kpa.	20000 kpa.
-	-15 C	A0715	350 kpa.	20000 kpa.
-	-15 C	A0215	70 kpa.	11100 kpa.
-	-10 C	A0210	70 kpa.	16100 kpa.
	-5 C	A0205	70 kpa.	17900 kpa.
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Fig. 5.6.1 The volumetric strain-time graphs of the multi-step tests on sample A02.

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Fig. 5.6.2 The volumetric strain-time graphs of the single-step loading tests.

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Fig. 5.6.3 The volumetric strain-time graphs of the multi-step test on sample A06.

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Fig. 5.6.5 The incremental volumetric strain-time graphs of the nth-step of the multi-step loading tests on sample A02.

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Fig.5.6.6 Hyperbolic curve fitting of singlestep loading test data on sample A07 and A08.



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Fig. 5.6.10 The ultimate volumetric strain vs. isotropic stress for the multi-step tests.

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Fig.5.6.ll Ultimate secant bulk modulus vs. isotropic stress at -15 $^{\rm o}{\rm C}$.

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CHAPTER 6

CONCLUSIONS AND SUGGESTIONS FOR FURTHER RESEARCH

6.1 CONCLUSIONS

An experimental study of the creep behaviour of frozen saline silt was carried out. The results of the series of tests cannot be considered definite because of the limited number of samples tested. However, several conclusions can be drawn based on the test results.

- Each of the frozen saline silt samples underwent attenuating creep when subjected to a constant hydrostatic stress. The creep curve could be approximated by an appropriate hyperbolic function.
- 2. When an additional hydrostatic stress was superimposed on a sample which had appoached equilibrium after creep under an isotropic stress ,the sample underwent a new attenuating creep .
- 3. When the frozen saline silt was allowed to rebound after a history of loading, it ultimately recovered only part of the volume change which occurred during the previous loading. The volume change recovery was generally greater than 50 percent. The test results of Sample A02 showed that up to 50 % of the volume change could remain after recovery. This fact has an important implication for any attempt at viscoelastic modelling. Moreover, a simple nonlinear hereditary-

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creep constitutive equation which ties up attenuating creep at constant stress with complete recovery after unloading would be inadequate.

- 4. A history of loading and recovery had a strain hardening effect on the frozen saline soil.
- 5. The saline silt was non ice-bonded at -5 °C ,but its reponse to isotropic compression did not seem to be qualitatively different than when it was ice-bonded.
- 6. Unfrozen pore fluid was expelled from the sample under isotropic compression at a low temperature of -15 °C. This suggests that in modelling the creep behaviour of frozen saline soils, a quasi one-phase approach might be inadequate; mixture theories should be considered.
- 7. The long-term psuedo-elastic bulk modulus did not differ substantially from the short-term bulk modulus for a constant stress, but the long-term bulk modulus should be used in designing the structure on permafrost.

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6.2 RECOMMENDATION FOR FURTHER RESEARCH

In this study, very limited investigation of creep behaviour of frozen soils was carried out. The following suggestions are made with regard to future studies on creep behaviour of frozen soils.

- It is suggested that the sample be prepared from a slurry of silt with a water content twice as high as the liquid limit followed by consolidation under a constant load.
- Further isotropic compression tests on samples with various test temperatures are required to clarify the effect of temperature on the creep behaviour of frozen soils.
- Thermocouples should be installed inside the triaxial cell to monitor the temperature of the sample during testing.
- 4. A temperature bath should be used to maintain a constant temperature of the cell fluid during testing in order to eliminate the temperature fluctuations on the sample and cell fluid.
- 5. In future studies, it is suggested that the amount of salt in the pore fluid be varied to study the effect of pore fluid salinity on the creep behaviour of frozen soils.
- 6. Further isotropic loading and unloading tests on samples are required to clarify the uncertainties of the recovery of the volume change during unloading.

 The effect of single-step and multi-step loading on creep behaviour of frozen soils requires further investigation.

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ISOTROPIC COMPRESSION TEST RESULTS



Figure I.l The incremental volumetric strain versus time for the 1st,2nd and 3rd stress increments on Sample A0215.

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Figure I.3 The incremental volumetric strain versus time for the 7th,8th and 9th stress increments on Sample A0215.






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Figure I.5 The incremental volumetric strain versus time for the 5th,6th and 7th stress increments on Sample A0210.



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TIME t (min.) x 10¹



Figure I.8 The incremental volumetric strain versus time for the 9th and 7th stress increments on Sample A0205.

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INCREMENTAL VOLUMETRIC STRAIN $\in_v^i(\infty)$



Figure I.9 The incremental volumetric strain versus time for the 8th and 10th stress increments on Sample A0205.

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Figure I.10 The incremental volumetric strain versus time for the 1st and 2nd stress increments on Sample A0615.



Figure I.ll The incremental volumetric strain versus time for the 3rd stress increment on Sample A0615.





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APPENDIX II

CALIBRATION OF VOLUME CHANGE MEASUREMENT DEVICE

CALIBRATION OF VOLUME MEASUREMENT DEVICE

The volume changes (ΔV) which occur in the test specimen will alter the level of fluid (Δh) in the burrette (volume measurement device).

$$\Delta V = A_{\mathbf{b}} \times \Delta \mathbf{h}$$

where $A_{b} = cross-sectional$ area of the burrette

The change of fluid level in the burrette was monitored by the glass float attached to a displacement transducer.

The displacement transducer (LVDT) of 5.08 cm.(2 inches) maximum travel and a burrette of 4.70 cm.(1.85 inches) were used. The calibration factors were found to be 0.122 v/cc. at -15° C and 0.114 v/cc at 25°C. The error of linear regression best fit curve was about 0.1 % of 30 cc.(± 0.015 cc) . For a voltmeter (LVDT) reading the corresponding volume change is

V = voltmeter reading / LVDT calibration factor

The calibration of float movement with compression of fluid was found to be temperature independent. The average total error which is the sum of errors of the linear regression and the float movement with compression of fluid was determined. The average total error for stress increments (σ) of 70 kpa was about \pm 0.05 cc., but the error for the first

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six stress increments was higher (± 0.06 cc). For stress increments of 140 kpa the average total error was approximately +0.105 cc. The average total error for stress increment of 350 kpa was found to be \pm 0.135 cc.,but the error for first increment was about ± 0.18 cc. and about ± 0.09 cc for second stress increment (700 kpa). For the stress increment of 700 kpa the average total error was about ± 0.29 cc.

The thermal expansion of the antifreeze was found to be approximately 0.6 cc $/^{\circ}$ C / 2000 cc. The temperature fluctuation cause the fluid, as well as the apparatus, to expand or contract. During the test no reading was taken during the defrosting cycles of the environment chamber, therefore, the temperature effect was assumed to be negligible. But the temperature effect has to be taken into account especially if the test is going to be carried out in warmer temperature.

The initial volume change was calculated from the follwing

v_o = (LVDT reading (from test) - LVDT reading (from calibration))

 $V_o = v_o / LVDT$ calibration factor



CALIBRATION OF VOLUME CHANGE MEASUREMENT DEVICE



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CALIBRATION OF FLOAT MOVEMENT AND COMPRESSION OF FLUID RATE OF TESTING: 215 = 70 Krz.

DATE: 7th July 82

PRESSURE KPA.	3	14-3	215	287	7:59	429	500	5,69	640	707
LVDT KEADING VOLT *10	42,49	1918	1158	748	526	4-29	32.F	308	254	244
SUM OF READING	4.3,49	6267	7455	8-207	8739	9168	9203	9811	10065	10309

RATE OF TESTING: DT=100 Kpa

PRESSURE KPA	143	284	430	569	70F
LVOT READING VOLT *10-4	6296	1907-	100%	671	1-7:5
SUM OF READING	6296	8198	9200	92-11	10366

RATE OF TESTING: DUE 350 4m

PREGSURE Kpa.	35(;	708	
WAT READING VOLT -10	81.96	1620	
SUM OF READING	8416	/52:8	

TEMPERATURE :

NOTE: THE VALUES SHOWN IN THIS TABLE ARE THE MEAN VALUE.

THE INITIAL LUDT READING FROM THE -TECT REGALTS ARE SUPSTRACTED FROM THIS TABLE LUDT READING. IN OFFEN TO OPTAIN THE "ACTUAL INITIAL READING.

RATE OF TESTING: DT= 705 Kpa.

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APPENDIX III

DETAILS OF TRIAXIAL CELL AND VOLUME CHANGE

MEASUREMENT DEVICE






MATERIAL : ALUMINUM



PART # 2A : OUTER CYLINDER TOP COVER

ATERIAL : ALUMINUM



AVAILABLE MATERIAL.

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ATERIAL : ALUMINUM



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MATERIAL : ALUMINUM

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NOTE: MACHINE O.D. SO THAT PART #3 FITS THIGHT OVER PIPE.

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MATERIAL : ALUMINUM



PART # 6 : INNER CYLINDER

MATERIAL : ALUMINUM



MATERIAL : ALUMINUM



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APPENDIX IV

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DETAILS OF PLEXIGLASS SPLIT MOULD

The unit used in this Appendix is in mm.



Plexiglass split mould.

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BOTTOM SECTION

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APPENDIX V

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PROGRAMME LISTING FOR HYPERBOLIC REGRESSION ANALYSIS

APPENDIX V

DATA INPUT FOR HYPERBOLIC REGRESSION ANALYSIS PROGRAM

INTRODUCTION

The plotting program is written in standard FORTRAN and using the University of Manitoba computer system, calcomp 750/563 incremental drum plotter. The program can plot multiple curves on one figure or single curve on each figure with multiple files. Details of input, output informations and program listing are given in the following section.

PREPARATION OF INPUT INFORMATION

All data are using free format input. Input should be presented in the order shown below as integer, real or alphanumeric data. Data present on one card should be separated by a space. Data punch on one card should always be within 80 columns.

The order of input information is as follows :

format

A) Number of data set (NSD) Integer

B) User's choice of plotting (NPLOT) Integer set the value NPLOT = 1 for one curve on each figure = 2 for multiple curves on each figure

Integer C) Option of plotting (NOPT1) set the value NOPT1 = 0 for individual curve = 1 for accumulating curve D) Testing number (5A4) column 1 - 20 alphanumeric data E) Number of curve for each data set (NC1) Integer F) Number of data point on each curve (NDC) (Maximum 10) Integer Real G) Mean pressure of each test (PR) Real H) LVDT calibration factor (COR) I) Initial reading of each stress increments (INI) Real J) Elapsed time (Q) (Maximum 300) Real K) Voltmeter reading (R) (Maximum 300) Real L) Unit weight (UWT) Real

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If the number of curve to be plotted in each data files is more than one (NC > 1), then repeat the data input from step G to step L. If the number of data set is more than one (NSD > 1), then repeat the data input from step B to step L.

OPERATIONAL PROCEDURE

The job and data control cards must be prepared and specified. The job control language (JCL) cards must be prepared as follows :

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//jobname job 'acc#,pswd,T=2m,L=5,I=20','username'
/*D800 VPLOT
// EXEC FORTHCLG,USERLIB='SYS3.VPLOTLIB'
//FORT.SYSIN DD *

- 2. Program.
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//GO.FT01F001 DD DSN=&&FT01F001,UNIT=SYSDA,
// DISP=(NEW,PASS),SPACE=(CYL,(2,2))
//GO.VWORK DD DSN=&&VWORK,UNIT=SYSDA,
// DISP=(NEW,PASS),UNIT=(CYL,(2,2))
//GO.SYSIN DD *
Data.
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/* // EXEC VPLOT The parameter of the job card are specified according to the size of the data input. For example the values of time(T),line(L),input and output count (I/O) (I) can be specified as : T=30,i.e. 30 sec.for computer time. L=3,i.e. the line print is 3000 lines. I=10,i.e. the input and output

count are 1000 units.

OUTPUT INFORMATION

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The program will print out the following information :

- 1. Number of data files.
- 2. User's choice of plotting.
- 3. oOtion of plotting .
- 4. Test sample number.
- 5. Number of curve in each data set.
- 6. Number of points in each curve.
- 7. Mean normal stress.
- 8. LVDT calibration factor.
- 9. Initial LVDT reading.
- 10. Unit weight of sample.
- 11. Table 1. The raw data
- 12. Table 2 . Hyperbolic function regressed data.
- 13. Table 3. Volume change at each stress, i.e., Time ,Vol change ,Vol Strain ,Strain Rate ,Creep Rate.
- 14. Table 4 The accumulated volume change.

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The scale on x and y axes must be selected before the job is submitted. In the program,(XSCA) and (YSCA) represent the scale set on x and y axes. For example, XSCA = 2.0 means the scale selected on x-axis is 2.0 per every inch. The (XLEN) and (YLEN) represent the length specified on x and y axes. For example, XLEN = 20.0 means the maximum length on x-axis is 20.0 inches. There is no restriction in length for xaxis,but y-axis is restricted to 10 inches. Details of the complicate plotting must refer to the Calcomp Plotter Manual.













DIMENSION A(2000), NDC(10), N1(10), V(2000), B(2), CA(2000), 10. &COR(10), INI(10), PR(10), CN1(5), IBUF(4000) 11. 12., 13. C COMMON / CNTRL/ NP, COR1, INI1, XX2, YY2, NUMT, NUMD , NPT 15. C THIS IS A SINGLE / OR MULTIPLE 16. C 17. C PLOTTING PROGRAM WITH MULTIPLE FILES 18. C ****** 19. C 20. C 21. C NP = NO. OF POINT IN EACH CURVE NUMT = TOTAL NO. OF POINT IN THE DATA FILE 22. C NUMD = TOTAL NO. TO BE PLOTTED 23. C 24. C ********** * 25. C READ IN NUMBER OF DATA FILES , NSD. 26. C 27. C 28. C ****** 29. C ****** 30. C 31. C USER'S CHOICE OF PLOTING 32. C SET THE VALUE OF NPLOT = 33. C 1 ----- FOR ONE CURVE ON EACH FIG. 34. C 35. C 2 ----- FOR MULTIPLE CURVE ON EACH FIG.* 36. C 38. C 39. C 40. READ*,NSD WRITE (6,40) NSD READ*, NPLOT 41. 42. 43. IF (NPLOT.EQ.1) GOTO 122 44. WRITE (6,200) 45. GOTO 130 46. 122 WRITE (6,190) 47. C ****** 48. C 49. C 50. C OPTION OF PLOTTING SET YHE VALUE OF NOPT = 51. C 52. C O ----- FOR SINGLE PLOT 1 ----- FOR ACCUMULATING PLOT 53. C 54. C ******* 55. C 56. C 57. 130 DO 110 JJ = 1,NSD READ*,NOPT1 58. IF (NOPT1.LT.1) GOTO 137 60. 61. WRITE (6,25) GOTO 138 137 WRITE (6,210) 62. 63. 138 READ(5,35) (CN1(N),N=1,5) WRITE(6,45) (CN1(N),N=1,5) 64. 65. 66. C 68. C 69. C READ IN NO. OF CURVE OF EACH DATA SET 70. C 72. C READ*, NC1 73. 75. WRITE (6,50) NC1

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76. C ****** 77. C 78. C READ IN NO. POINT IN EACH CURVE 79. C 80. C ******* 81. C 82. C READ*, (NDC(J), J=1, NC1)83. WRITE (6,55) (NDC(J), J=1, NC1) 84. 85. C 86. C 87. C INITIALIZE THE POINTS OF MAXIMUM AND MINIMUM * 88. C 89. C ******** 90. C 91. C XO = 0.092. X1 = 0.093. YO = 0.094. Y1 = 0.095. 96. C ******** 97. C 98. C SET POINTER IN A ARRAY TO KEEP TRACK OF THE X & Y COORD. X COORD. DATA IN X-ARRAY WILL START AT 1 ,NP+1,....ETC Y COORD. DATA IN Z-ARRAY WILL START @ 1, NP+1,....ETC 99. C 100. C 101. C * 102. C ************ 103. C 104. C NS = 1105. DO 10 I = 1, NC1106. 107. C *********** 108. C 109. C COR IS THE LVDT CALIBRATION FACTOR. 110. C THE FACTOR CONVERTS THE VOLTMETER READING ,VOLT, INTO MM. 111. C 112. C 113. C 114. C 115. C ****** 116. C 117. C * READ IN ISOTROPIC PRESSURE , PR 118. C * 119. C ******** 120. C 121. C READ*, PR(I) 122. 123. PRES = PR(I)WRITE (6,60) PRES 124. READ*, COR(I) 125. 126. C ******* 127. C 128. C INI IS THE INITIAL READING OF THE START IN CHANGE IN VOLUME. 129. C 130. C ******** 131. C 132. C 133. READ*, INI(I) COR1=COR(I) 134. INI1=INI(I) 135. WRITE (6,65) COR1 136. WRITE (6,70) INI1 137. NP = NDC(I)138. NPT = NP + 2139.

140. N1(I) = NSIF (NOPT1.GE.1) GOTO 11 141. NS = N1(I) + NPT142. GOTO 12 143. 144. 11 NS = N1(I) + NP145. C ****** 146. C 147. C CALL SUBROUTINE CORR TO READ IN THE TEST DATA 148. C 149. C AND DO THE VOLUME CHANGE CALCULATION 150. C ******** 151. C 152. C 12 CALL CORR(A(N1(I)), V(N1(I)), I , NOPT1 , CA(N1(I))) 153. 154. C ********* 155. C 156. C CALL SUBROUTINE PMAX TO DETERMINE THE MAXIMUM AND MINIMUM * 157. C VALUES OF ALL THE TEST DATA AFTER CALCULATION. 158. C 159. C ******** 160. C 161. C CALL PMAX(A(N1(I)), V(N1(I)), X0, X1, Y0, Y1) 162. 10 CONTINUE 163. WRITE (6,75) XO,X1 WRITE (6,80) YO,Y1 164. 165. IF (NOPT1.LT.1) GOTO 20 166. 167. 15 NUMT = NS - 1168. NUMD = NUMT + 2WRITE (6,85) NUMT, NUMD WRITE (6,90) 169. 170. 171. WRITE (6,95) 172. WRITE(6,96) WRITE (6,100) (N, A(N), V(N), CA(N), N = 1, NUMT) 173. 173.1 C ****** 173.2 C 174. C 175. C CALL PLOTTING PROGRAM 176. C ************ 177. C 178. C 20 CALL PLOTS(IBUF, 4000) 179. CALL PLOT(1.0, 1.0, -3) 180. 181. CALL FACTOR(1.0) 182. C ****** 182.1 C SELECT PROPER SCALE 183. C 184. C IF (NOPT1.GE.1) GOTO 26 IF (X1.GT.3200) GOTO 22 XSCA = 200 185. 186. 187. XLEN = 10.0188. GOTO 21 IF (X1.GT.6400) GOTO 23 189. 190. 22 191. XSCA = 800 192. XLEN = 8.0GOTO 21 193. 194. 23 IF (X1.GT.10000) GOTD 24 195. XSCA = 800XSCA = 12.0196. 197. GOTO 21 198. XSCA = 192024 XLEN = 17199. IF (Y1.LE.4.0) GOTO 29 21 200.

201. YSCA = 1.0YLEN = 8202. 203. GOTO 30 205. 29 YSCA = 0.5YLEN = 4206 GOTO 30 207. X5CA = 2400208. 26 XLEN = 20209. YSCA = 0.8211. YLEN = 8.0212. 213. C *********** 214. C 215. C PLOTTING PROGRAM REQUIRES TWO MORE SPACES WHICH ARE NP+1, NP+2 216. C 217. C OR NUMT+1, NUMT+2 218. C 219. C 30 B(1) = 0.0220. B(2) = XSCA221. 222. C ******* 223. C 224. C 225. C CALL SUBROUTINE AXIS AND SET TITLE ON COORDINATES 226. C ******** 227. C 228. C CALL AXIS(0.0,0.0,21HACCUMULATED TIME MIN,-21,XLEN,0.0,B(1),B(2)) 229. B(1) = 0.0230. B(2) = YSCA231. CALL AXIS(0.0,0.0, 19HVOLUMETRIC-STRAIN %, 19, YLEN, 90., B(1), B(2)) 232. 233. YY = YLEN + 0.5CALL SYMBOL(2.0, YY, 0.14, 24HVOLUME-CHANGE-TIME CURVE, 0.0, 24) 234. XX = XLEN + 1235. CALL SYMBOL(XX,2.0,0.14,15H TEST NO. =,0.0,15) 236. CALL SYMBOL(XX, 1.5, 0.14, 15HMEAN PRESSURE =, 0.0, 15) 237. XX = XX + 2238. CALL SYMBOL(XX,2.0,0.14,CN1,0.0,20) 239. IF (NOPT1.GE.1) GOTO 1 240. XX = XX + 2.0241 CALL SYMBOL(XX, 1.5, 0.14, 4HKPA., 0.0, 4) 1 IF (NOPT1.GE.1) GOTO 2 242. 243. 244. J = 1 NP = NDC(J)245. CALL DRAW3(A(N1(J)), V(N1(J)), XSCA , YSCA , J) 246. 247. JK = J + 1CALL DRAW4(A(N1(J)),CA(N1(J)),XSCA,YSCA,JK) NXSP = XLEN * 4 248 249. NYSP = YLEN * 4 250. CALL GRID(0.0,0.0,0.25,0.25,NXSP,NYSP) 251. IF (NPLOT.EQ.2) GOTO 4 252. CALL PLOT(0.0,0.0,999) 253. J = J + 14 253.1 IF (J.LE.NC1) GOTO 20 253.2 254. CONTINUE IF (NPLOT.EQ.1) GOTO 110 255. CALL PLOT(0.0,0.0,999) 256. 257. GOTO 110 258. 2 DO 31 N = 1, NUMTA(N) = A(N)259. V(N) = V(N)260. 261. C CA(N) = CA(N)262. CONTINUE 31 CALL DRAW1(A ,V ,XSCA,YSCA, JJ) CALL DRAW2(A ,CA ,XSCA,YSCA,JJ) 263. 264. C

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NXSP = XLEN*4
265. C 3
           NYSP = YLEN*4
266. C
            CALL GRID(0.0,0.0,0.25,0.25,NXSP,NYSP)
267. C
            IF (NPLOT.EQ.2) GOTO 110
268.
            CALL PLOT(0.0,0.0,999)
269.
           FORMAT( 5A4 )
FORMAT('1', 5X, 30HNUMBER OF DATA FILES -----.5X, I2,/)
       35
270.
271.
       40
            FORMAT('O', 5X, 42HYOU ARE PLOTTING ONE CURVE ON EACH FIGURE .. /)
272.
      190
            FORMAT('0', 5X, 45HYOU ARE PLOTTING MULTIPLE CURVES ON EACH FIG.,/)
273.
      200
            FORMAT('1', 5X, 17HACCUMULATED PLOT.)
274.
       25
           FORMAT('1', 5X, 12HSINGLE PLOT.)
275.
      210
            FORMAT('O', 5X, 30HTEST SAMPLE NO. -----, 5X, 5A4 )
276.
       45
           FORMAT('O', 5X, 30HND. OF CURVE IN EACH DATA SET-, 5X, I5 )
FORMAT('O', 5X, 1018 )
277.
       50
278.
       55
           FORMAT('1', 5X, 30HMEAN NORMAL STRESS ------.5X, F6.1,/)
FORMAT('0', 5X, 30HLVDT CALIBRATION FACTOR -----.5X, F10.8)
279.
       60
280.
       65
           FORMAT('O', 5X, 30HINITIAL LVDT READING ------, 5X, 110 )
FORMAT('O', 5X, 30HMINIMUM VALUE OF X -----, 1X, F10.5,
281.
       70
       75
282.
           &30HMAXIMUM VALUE DF X -----, 1X, F10.1)
283.
       80 FORMAT('O', 5X, 30HMINIMUM VALUE DF Y ------, 1X, F10.5,
284.
           &30HMAXIMUM VALUE OF Y -----, 1X, F15.8)
285.
       85 FORMAT('O', 5X, 30HTOTAL NUMBER OF PLOT DATA----, IG, 4X,
286.
           &30HREQUIRE SPACE FOR PLOTER ----. IG )
       90 FORMAT('1',5X,10H TABLE 4 ,/)

95 FORMAT('0', T24,'TIME',T44,'VOLUME CHANGE',T71,'HYP.REG',/)

96 FORMAT('0', T23,'(MIN)',T49,'(CC.)',T72,'(CC.)',/)

100 FORMAT('0', 5X,15,8X,F10.2,10X,F15.4,8X,F15.4)
287.
288.
289.
290.
291.
      100
      110
            CONTINUE
292.
            IF (NPLOT.EQ.1) GOTO 115
293.
            CALL PLOT(0.0,0.0,999)
294.
           CALL PLOT(0.0,0.0,9999)
295.
      115
            STOP
296.
297.
            END
            SUBROUTINE CORR( X, Y, I , NOPT1 , HY )
298.
            COMMON /CNTRL/NP,COR1,INI1,XX2,YY2 ,NUMT,NUMD,NPT
299.
300. C
       ********
301. C
302. C
         THIS SUBROUTINE CONVERT LVDT-VOLT READING INTO MM
303. C
         AND DO THE VOLUME CHANGE CALCULATION
304. C
305. C
         306. C
307. C
            DIMENSION X(300), Y(300), CH(300), HY(300), R(300), Q(300), Y2(300),
308.
           &Y1(300), VD(300), TI(300), CR(300), EINV(300)
309.
310. C
         311. C
312. C
         READ IN X & Y COORDINATE
313. C
         X = TIME OR STRESS
314. C
         Y = VOLUME CHANGE
315. C
        R & Q ARE RAW DATA OF THE TEST
316. C
         Q IS THE ELAPESD TIME
317. C
         R IS THE LVDT READING
318. C
319. C
         *****
320. C
321. C
            READ*, ( Q(II), II=1, NP)
322.
            READ*, ( R(II), II=1, NP)
323.
            READ*,UWT
324.
            WRITE (6,56) UWT
325.
            WRITE (6,15)
326.
            WRITE (6,20)
WRITE (6,21)
327.
328
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WRITE (6,25) (N, Q(N), R(N), N = 1, NP) 329. 330. C ******* 331. C 332. C COR IS THE LVDT-CALIBRATION FACTOR 333. C 334. C INI IS THE INITIAL READING OF THE TEST 335. C 336. C ******* 337. C 338. C DO 10 J=1,NP 339. X(J) = Q(J)340. CH(J) = ABS(INI1 - R(J)) * COR1341. IF (CH(J).GE. 10E-8) GOTO 1 342. CH(J) = 0.0343. $Y_2(J) = (CH(J) / UWT)$ 344. 1 IF (Y2(J).LE.10E-8.OR.X(J).LE.10E-8) GOTO 2 345. Y1(J) = Y2(J) / X(J)346. GOTO 3 347. Y1(J) = 0.02 348. K = J - 1 IF (K.GT.O) GOTO 4 349. 3 350. VO(J) = 0.0351. TI(J)=0.0 352. 353. GOTO 6 VO(J) = Y2(J) - Y2(K)TI(J) = X(J) -X(K) 354. 4 355. IF (VD(J).LT. 10E-8) GOTO 12 356. 6 CR(J) = VO(J) / TI(J)357. GOTO 10 358. 12 CR(J) = 0.0359. 10 CONTINUE 360. CALL HYRG(Q, Y2, HY) 361. DO 11 J = 1, NP362. IF (I.LE.1) GOTO 5 363. $\chi(J) = XX2 + \chi(J)$ 364. Y(J) = YY2 + Y2(J)365. HY(J) = HY2 + HY(J)366. GOTO 11 367. Y(J) = Y2(J)368. 5 X(J) = X(J)369. HY(J) = HY(J)370. CONTINUE 371. 11 XX2 = X(NP)372. YY2 = Y(NP)373. HY2 = HY(NP)374. WRITE(6,40) 375. WRITE (6,42) 376. WRITE (6,43) WRITE (6,46) (N,Q(N),CH(N),Y2(N),Y1(N),CR(N),N = 1,NP) 377. 378. IF (NOPT1.LE.O) GOTO 60 379 WRITE (6,50) WRITE (6,54) 380. 381. WRITE (6,55) WRITE (6,45) (N, X(N), Y(N) ,HY(N) , N = 1,NP) 15 FORMAT('1', 5X,9H TABLE 1) 20 FORMAT('0', T8,'NO.',T20,'ELAPSED TIME',T38,'LVDT READING',/) 21 FORMAT('0', T8,'NO.',T20,'ELAPSED TIME',T38,'LVDT READING',/) 25 FORMAT('0', T8,'NO.',T41,'(VOLT)',/) 25 FORMAT('0', 5X,I5,7X,F10.2,10X,F10.1) 40 FORMAT('1', 5X,42HTABLE 3 VOLUME CHANGE AT EACH STRESS CC.,/) 45 FORMAT('0',5X,I5,5X,F10.2,10X,F10.4,5X,F10.4) 42 FORMAT('0', T8 'NO.', T17 'TIME',T25,'VOLUME',T34,'VOL STR'. WRITE (6,55) 382. 383. 384. 385. 386. 387. 388. 389. 42 FORMAT('O',T8,'NO.',T17,'TIME',T25,'VOLUME',T34,'VOL STR', & T43,'STR RATE',T54,'CREEP RATE',/) 43 FORMAT(' ',T17,'(MIN)',T26,'(CC)',T36,'(%)',T44,'(%/MIN)', 390. 391. 392.

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& T55, '(%/MIN)',/)
393.
       46 FORMAT('0',5X,14,3X,F8.2,3X,F7.4,3X,F6.4,3X,E8.2,3X,E8.2 )
50 FORMAT('1', 5X,44H TABLE 4 ACCUMULATED TIME AND VOLUME CHANGE,/)
394.
395.
           FORMAT('0', T8, 'NO', T20, 'ELAPSED TIME', T39, 'VOL STRAIN', T53, 'HYP.
396.
       54
         & REG',/)
397.
           FORMAT('0',5X,30HUNIT WEIGHT (KN/100CU.M) -----,5X,F10.6)
FORMAT(' ',T24,'(MIN)',T42,'(%)',T57,'(%)',/)
398.
        56
399.
       55
           RETURN
       60
400.
401.
           END
           SUBROUTINE PMAX( X, Y, XO, X1, YO, Y1)
402.
          COMMON / CNTRL/ NP, COR1, INI1, XX2, YY2, NUMT, NUMD , NPT
403.
          DIMENSION X(NPT), Y(NPT)
404.
405. C
        ********
406. C
407. C
       THIS PROGRAM IS TO DETERMINE THE MAXIMUM AND MINIMUM
408. C
        VALUES OF ALL CORRECTED DATA
409. C
410. C
       AMIN1 AND AMAX1 ARE THE IBM BUILD-IN FUNCTION
411. C
       XO, YO ARE THE MINIMUM VALUES
412. C
       X1.Y1 ARE THE MAXIMUM VALUES
413. C
414. C
        *******
415. C
416. C
          DO 10 J=1,NP
417.
          XO = AMINt(XO, X(J))
418.
           X1 = AMAX1(X1,X(J))
419.
           YO = AMIN1(YO, Y(J))
420
           Y1 = AMAX1(Y1, Y(J))
421.
       10 CONTINUE
422.
           RETURN
423.
           FND
424.
           SUBROUTINE HYRG( T, VOLCH, TSD
                                          )
425.
           COMMON / CNTRL/ NP, COR1, INI1, XX2, YY2, NUMT, NUMD , NPT
426.
          DIMENSION T(300), VOLCH(300), XCAST(300), YRSDS(300), EDSD(300), HYRGOO10
427.
          &TSD(300),TT(300),TTSD(300),CSR(300)
                                                                            HYRG0020
428.
429. C
              430. C
431. C
        THIS IS A HYPERBOLIC FUNCTION APPROXIMATION PROGRAM.
432. C
        LEAST SQUARE CURVE FITTING METHOD IS USED TO OBTAIN
433. C
        THE HYPERBOLIC REGRESSION CURVE
434. C
435. C
        *******
436. C
437. C
        *****
438. C
439. C
        THIS PROGRAM CAN BE USED WITH MULTIPLE FILES
440.1 C
441. C
442. C
          RF = FAILURE RATIO
           N = NO. OF DATA POINT IN EACH DATA SET
443. C
         SMX = SUM OF XI = SUM OF T(I)
444. C
        SM2X = SUM OF SQUARE OF XI = SUM OF T(I)*T(I)
445. C
446. C
         SMY = SUM OF YI = SUM OF VOLCH(I)
        SXY = SUM OF ( XI * YI ) = SUM OF ( T(I) * VOLCH(I))*
447. C
         T(I) = TIME
448. C
        VOLCH = VOLUME CHANGE
449. C
450. C
        ******
451. C
452. C
                                                                            HYRG0040
453.
           L = 1
           N = NP
454.
                                                                            HYRGO080
           DO 20 I = 1, N
455.
           IF ( T(I).LE.O.O ) XCAST(I)=0.0
456
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457		IF (VOLCH(I), E0.0.0) GOTO 15	
458		FDSD(I) = T(I) / VO(CH(I))	HYRGOO90
450		$x_{CAST}(1) = T(1)$	HYRGO100
455.		$V_{PSDS}(I) = EDSD(I)$	HYRGO110
460.			
401.	45		
462.	15	EDSD(1) = 0.0	
463.		$\operatorname{YRSDS}(1) = 0.0$	
464.	20	CONTINUE	
465.		K = 1	HYRGUIJU
466.		MM = 1	HYRGO140
467.	30	CALL SUM(N, XCAST, K, 1, SMX)	HYRG0170
468.		CALL SUM(N, XCAST, K, 2, SM2X)	HYRG0180
469.		CALL SUM(N. YRSDS, K. 1, SMY)	HYRGO190
470		CALL SUMXY (N. XCAST, YRSDS, K. SMXY)	HYRGO200
471		O = N - K + 1	HYRGO210
470		W = 1 (0 × SM2Y) = (SMY × SMY)	HYRG0220
472.		D = (Q + 3mzA) = (3mA + 3mA)	HYRG0230
4/3.		AN = (SMT + SM2A) - (SMA + SMAT)	
474.		BN = (Q * SMXY) + (SMY * SMX)	
475.		A = AN / D	HTRG0250
476.		B = BN / D	HYRG0260
477.		G = 1.0 / A	HYRGO270
478.		US = 1.0 / B	HYRGO280
479.		WRITE (6,120)	HYRGO440
480		WRITE (6.150)	HYRGO470
481		WRITE (6,160)	HYRGO480
401.			HYRG0490
402.			HYRGOSOO
483.		DU / 0 I = 1, N	
484.		SD(1) = ((G + (1(1))) / (1.0 + (B + G + (1(1)))))	LIVECOEDO
485.	70	CONTINUE	HTRG0520
486.		DO 80 I = 1, N	HYRG0530
487.		WRITE (6,180) T(I), VOLCH(I), TSD(I)	HYRG0540
488.	80	CONTINUE	HYRG0550
489.		WRITE (6,190) A	HYRG0560
490		WRITE (6.200) B	HYRG0570
491		WRITE (6 210) G	HYRG0580
401.			HYRG0590
492.			HYRGOGOO
493.			
494.		DO B1 I = 2, N	
495.			
496.		TT(K) = T(I) - T(K)	
497.		TTSD(K) = TSD(I) - TSD(K)	
498.		CSR(K) = TTSD(K)/TT(K)	
499.	81	CONTINUE	
500		RETURN	
501	120	FORMAT (/)	HYRGO670
507	150	FORMAT (11' T40 (TIME' T53, (VOL, CHANGE', T68, (VOL, CHANGE')	HYRG0710
502.	160	FORMAT (138 (OBSERVED) / T53 (OBSERVED) / T68, (HYP.REGN))	HYRG0720
503.	170	$\begin{array}{c} \text{FORMAT} (134, (MIN) + 77, (9), 172, (9), (1) \\ \text{FORMAT} (134, (MIN) + 77, (9), 172, (9), (1) \\ \end{array}$	HYRG0730
504.	170	$\begin{array}{c} FORMAT (141, MIN, 157, (77, 172, (77, 77, 77)) \\ FORMAT (101, 90) \\ FO$	HYRG0740
505.	180	FURMAL ('0', 30X, F15.2, 2F15.4) (10.5)	
506.	190	FORMAT (/ / / /, 45X, 'INTERCEPT A(=1/GU)=', FIU.5,/ /)	
507.	200	FORMAT (45X, 'SLOPE B=', F8.5,/ /)	
508.	210	FORMAT (45X, 'PARAMETER GD=', F15.3,/ /)	HYRGOTTO
509.	220	FORMAT (45X, 'ULTIMATE VOL.CHANGE=',F10.4,/ /)	HYRG0780
510.		END	HYRG0790
511		SUBROUTINE SUM(N, X, J, L, SM)	HYRG0800
512		DIMENSION X(100)	HYRGO810
513		SM = 0.0	HYRGO820
514			HYRGO830
514.		$CM = CM \pm V(T) ** i$	HYRG0840
515.	10		HYRGORSO
516.	10		HYPGOREO
517.		KE I UKN	
518.			
519.		SUBROUTINE SUMXY(N, X, Y, J, SXY)	HIRGUSSO
520.		DIMENSION X(100), Y(100)	HYRGO890

۰,
SXY = 0.0521. DO 10 I = J, N 522. SXY = SXY + (X(I) + Y(I))523. CONTINUE 524. 10 525. RETURN 526. END SUBROUTINE DRAW1(X, Y, XSCA, YSCA, JJ) COMMON / CNTRL/ NP, COR1, INI1, XX2, YY2, NUMT, NUMD , NPT 527. 528. 529. DIMENSION X(NUMD), Y(NUMD) 530. C THE PROGRAM IS TO PLOT THE DATA BY USING THE SUBROUTINE 531. C FLINE OR SMOOT OR ANY SELECTED PROGRAM. 532. C SEE CALCOMP PLOTTING MANUAL 533. C 534. C 535. X(NUMT+1) = 0.0X(NUMT+2) = XSCA536. Y(NUMT+1) = 0.0Y(NUMT+2) = YSCA537. 538. PRINT*, NUMT, NUMD 539. J = JJ + 1CALL FLINE(X, Y,NUMT, 1, 0, J) 540. 541. CALL SMOOT(0.0,0.0,0.0) 542. C RETURN 543 544. END SUBROUTINE DRAW2 (X , Y, XSCA, YSCA, JJ) COMMON / CNTRL/ NP,COR1,INI1,XX2,YY2,NUMT,NUMD ,NPT 545. 546 DIMENSION X(NUMD), Y(NUMD) 547. 548. J = 1 X(NUMT+1) = 0.0549. X(NUMT+2) = XSCA550. 551. Y(NUMT+1) = 0.0Y(NUMT+2) = YSCA552. CALL FLINE(X , Y , NUMT , 1 , O , J) 553. RETURN 554. 555. END SUBROUTINE DRAW3(X, Y, XSCA, YSCA, J) 556. COMMON / CNTRL/ NP.COR1, INI1, XX2, YY2, NUMT, NUMD , NPT 557. DIMENSION X(NPT), Y(NPT) 558. 559. C THE PROGRAM IS TO PLOT THE DATA BY USING THE SUBROUTINE FLINE OR SMOOT OR ANY SELECTED PROGRAM. 560. C 561. C SEE CALCOMP PLOTTING MANUAL 562. C 563. C X(NP+1) = 0.0564. 565. X(NP+2) = XSCAY(NP+1) = 0.0566. Y(NP+2) = YSCA567. J = J + 1568. CALL FLINE(X, Y, NP, 1, -1, J) CALL SMOOT(0.0,0.0,0.0) 569. 570. C 571. RETURN 572. END SUBROUTINE DRAW4 (X , Y, XSCA, YSCA, J) 573. COMMON / CNTRL/ NP, COR1, INI1, XX2, YY2, NUMT, NUMD , NPT 574. DIMENSION X(NPT), Y(NPT) 575. X(NP+1) = 0.0576. X(NP+2) = XSCA577. 578. Y(NP+1) = 0.0Y(NP+2) = YSCA579. CALL FLINE(X , Y , NP , 1 , O , J) 580. 581. RETURN 582. END

HYRGO900 HYRGO910 HYRGO920 HYRGO930 HYRGO940 HYRGO950 Example

APPENDIX VI

PROGRAMME LISTING FOR LINEAR REGRESSION ANALYSIS

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DATA INPUT FOR LINEAR REGRESSION ANALYSIS PROGRAMME

PREPARATION OF INPUT INFORMATION

All data are using free format input. Input should be presented in the order shown below as integer or real. Data present on one card should be separated by a space. Data punch on one card should always be within 80 columns. para The order of input information is as follows :

Format

1.	Number of data set (NSET)	Integer
2.	Test number (TEST)	Real
3.	Number of data points (N)	Integer
4.	Option for linear regression (OPT)	Real
	0 For ordinary linear regression	
	l For line pass through orgin	
5.	Observed data (OBX) and (OBY)	Real
	(Input x and y) (Maximum 150)	

OUTPUT INFORMATION

The program will print out the following informations :

- 1. Number of data set .
- 2. Test number .
- 3. Number of data points .
- 4. Option of regression .

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5. Data of observed (OBX) and (OBY), regressed (Y) and DIFF

Note: DIFF = (OBY - regressed (Y))

- 6. The intercept on y-axis.
- 7. Error number.

Note: Error no.= error / sum of y. error = sum of DIFF

The operational procedures and plotting procedures are the same as given in the Appendix V.

10. DIMENSION OBX(150), OBY(150), RGY(150), DIFF(150), B(2), IBUF(4000) 20. COMMON / CNTRL / NP ,NPT 30. C NSET = NO. OF DATA SET 40. C TEST = TEST NO. 50. C N = NO. OF POINTS 60. C 70. C OPT = OPTION FOR REGRESSION ANALYSIS OPT = 0FOR ORDINARY LINEAR REGRESSION 80. C 90. C = 1 FOR LINE PASSING THRU ORIGIN 100. C READ*,NSET WRITE (6,130) NSET 110. 120. 130. L = 1READ*, TEST, N, OPT 140. 10 WRITE (6,140) TEST WRITE (6,141) N WRITE (6,142) OPT 150. 160. 170. READ*,(OBX(I),OBY(I),I = 1,N) WRITE (6,150) WRITE (6,160) 180. 190. 200. WRITE (6,170) 210. XSUM = 0.0220. 230. DO 20 I = 1, N240. XSUM = XSUM + OBX(I)CONTINUE 250. 20 260. YSUM = 0.0DO 30 I = 1, N270. 280. YSUM = YSUM + OBY(I)290. 30 CONTINUE 300. XSQS = 0.0310. $DO_{40} I = 1, N$ XSQS = (XSQS + ((OBX(I)**2)))320. 330. 40 CONTINUE 340. XYSUM = 0.0350. DO 50 I = 1, NXYSUM = (XYSUM + ((OBX(I) * OBY(I))))360. 370. 50 CONTINUE 380. IF (OPT-1) 60,70,70 390. 60 X = NDEN = ((X * XSQS) - (XSUM**2)) AN = ((YSUM * XSQS) - (XYSUM * XSUM)) 400. 410. BN = ((X * XYSUM) - (XSUM * YSUM))420. A = AN / DENBB = BN / DEN 430. 440. 450. GOTO 80 70 A = 0.0460. 470. BB = XYSUM / XSQS 480. 80 ERROR = 0.0490. YYSUM = 0.0500. DO 90 I = 1, NRGY(I) = (OBX(I) * BB) + A510. DIFF(I) = (OBY(I) - RGY(I))520. 530. ERROR = ERROR + ABS(DIFF(I)) YYSUM = YYSUM + OBY(I) 540. 550. 90 CONTINUE 560. ERNOM = ERROR / YYSUM DO 100 I = 1,N WRITE (6,180) OBX(I), OBY(I), RGY(I), DIFF(I) 570. 580. 590. 100 CONTINUE WRITE (6,190) A,BB WRITE (6,200) ERROR, ERNOM 600. 610. 620. NP = NNPT = NP + 2630. 640. CALL PLOTS(IBUF,4000) -204-

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CALL PLOT(1.0,1.0,-3)
 650.
              CALL FACTOR(1.0)
 660.
              XSCA = 4.0
 670.
              XLEN = 8.0
 680.
 690.
              YSCA = 0.6
              YLEN = 8
 700.
              B(1) = 0.0
 710.
 720.
              B(2) = XSCA
              CALL AXIS(0.0,0.0,20HVOLUME ( CC. )
                                                              .,-20,XLEN,0.0,B(1),B(2))
 730.
              B(\perp) = 0.0
 740.
              B(2) = YSCA
 750.
              CALL AXIS(0.0,0.0,18HVOLTMETRE (VOLTS),18,YLEN,90.,B(1),B(2))
 760.
              YSY = YLEN - 1
 770.
              CALL SYMBOL(1.5, YSY, 0.14, 38HLINEAR REGRESSION CURVE AT -15,
 780.
                                                                                            KP
 781.
             &,0.0,23)
 790.
              CALL DRAW1 ( OBX, OBY, XSCA, YSCA )
              CALL DRAW2 ( OBX, RGY, XSCA, YSCA )
 800.
              NXSP = XLEN \star 4
 810. C
              NYSP = YLEN \star 4
 820. C
              CALL GRID(0.0,0.0,0.25,0.25,NXSP,NYSP)
 830. C
 840.
              CALL PLOT(0.0,0.0,999)
 850.
              L = L + 1
              IF ( L.LE.NSET ) GOTO 10
 860.
 870.
              CALL PLOT(0.0,0.0,9999)
 880.
              STOP
             FORMAT('1',5X,25HNUMBER OF DATA SET
FORMAT(5X,25HTEST SAMPLE NO.
                                                            =,I5,
=,F8.5,/)
 890.
        130
                                                                         /)
 900.
        140
              FORMAT(5X,25HNUMBER OF POINTS
              -,13,//
FORMAT(DA,25HOPTION FOR PLOTTING =,F5.0,/)
FORMAT(T31,'VALUES',T46,'VALUES',T61,'VALUES',T76,'DIFF')
FORMAT(T31,'OF X',T46,'OF Y',T61,'OF Y')
FORMAT(T59,'REGRESSION',//)
FORMAT(20X, 4F15.3, /)
                                                            =,15,/ )
 910.
        141
 920.
        142
 930.
        150
 940.
        160
 950.
        170
              FORMAT( 20X, 4F15.3, / )

FORMAT(//,20X,'INTERCEPT =',T41,F14.3,T59,'SLOPE',T67,F14.3,/)

FORMAT(20X,'SUM OF ERROR =',T41,F14.3,T59,'ERROR NORM =',
 960.
        180
 970.
        190
 980.
        200
 990.
             &T67,F14.3,/)
1000.
        210 FORMAT(1H1,//////)
1010.
              END
1020.
              SUBROUTINE DRAW1 ( X,Y,XSCA,YSCA )
              COMMON / CNTRL / NP , NPT
1030.
              DIMENSION X(NPT), Y(NPT)
1040.
              X(NP+1) = 0.0
1050.
1060.
              X(NP+2) = XSCA
1070.
              Y(NP+1) = 0.0
              Y(NP+2) = YSCA
1080.
1090.
              CALL FLINE( X,Y,NP,1,-1,2 )
              RETURN
1100.
1110.
              END
1120.
              SUBROUTINE DRAW2(X,Y,XSCA,YSCA)
              COMMON / CNTRL/ NP, NPT
1130.
1140.
              DIMENSION X(NPT), Y(NPT)
              X(NP+1) = 0.0
1150.
              X(NP+2) = XSCA
1160.
1170.
              Y(NP+1) = 0.0
              Y(NP+2) = YSCA
1180.
1190.
              CALL FLINE( X, Y, NP, 1, 0, 3 )
1200.
              RETURN
1210.
              END
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Example

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1. //GEOPLOT JOB ',,,T=2M,R=512K,L=5,I=20,C=0','ED YONG'
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- MSGLEVEL=(1,1) 2. //
- 3. /*D800 VPLOT
- 4. // EXEC FORTHCLG, USERLIB='SYS3.VPLOTLIB', SIZE=512K
- 5. //FORT.SYSIN DD *

PROGRAMME

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1. //GO.FT01F001 DD DSN=&&FT01F001,UNIT=SYSDA,DISP=(NEW,PASS),
 2. //
         SPACE=(CYL, (2,2))
 3. //GO.VWORK DD DSN=&&VWORK, UNIT=SYSDA, DISP=(NEW, PASS),
 4. //
         SPACE=(CYL, (2, 2))
 5. //GO.SYSIN DD *
 1.1
 2.15
         40
               0
                                                                  0.3663
 3. 0.0
          0.0027
                             0.1241
                                       1.270
                                                0.2450
                                                         1.905
                    0.635
                               0.6089
                       3.175
                                         3.810
                                                 0.7309
                                                           4.445
                                                                    0.8527
 4. 2.540
             0.4877
                                                           6.895
                                                                   1.3469
 5. 5.080
             0.9756
                       5.715
                               1.0987
                                        6.350
                                                 1.2226
                                                            9.525
                                                                    1.8474
                       8.255
                               1.5967
                                         8.890
                                                  1.7223
 6. 7.620
             1.4717
                       10.795
                                  2.0998
                                           11.430
                                                     2.2262
                                                               12.065
                                                                         2.3528
 7. 10.160
              1.9736
                                           13.970
                                                     2.7359
                                                               14.605
                                                                         2.8646
                        13.335
                                 2.6076
              2.4799
 8. 12.700
                                           16.510
                                                               17.145
                                                                         3.3852
                                                     3.2547
                                  3.1243
 9. 15.240
              2.9942
                        15.875
                                           19.050
                                                     3.7800
                                                               19.685
                                                                         3.9125
                        18.415
                                  3.6482
10. 17.180
              3.5168
                                                               22.225
                                                                         4.4496
11. 20.320
                        20.955
                                 4.1801
                                           21.590
                                                     4.3146
              4.0460
                                 4.7208
                                           24.130
                                                     4.8565
                                                               24.765
                                                                         4.9919
12. 22.860
              4.5853
                        23.495
13. /*
14. // EXEC VPLOT
15. /*
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