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NOTATIONS

The following notations are those generally used in the presented work. Other notations required for the purpose of analysis are mentioned in their appropriate places.

- a : pile radius
- A_p : pile cross sectional area.
- B_x, B_y : Dimensions of the soil element in the X and Y directions respectively.
- C : depth of point load from surface
- [DEFL]: the raft deflection matrix
- E_p : Young's modulus of pile material
- E_s : the soil modulus of elasticity
- {F} : the load vector for vertical loads at the various nodes
- {F}_e : nodal point forces vector of the element
- {F_z}_e : the shear forces at the different element nodes
- G : soil shear modulus
- [I_{pp}] : pile - pile interaction square matrix in order N_p
- [I_{ps}] : pile - soil surface interaction matrix in order N_p by N_s
- [I_{sp}] : soil surface - pile interaction matrix in order N_s by N_p
- [I_{ss}] : soil - soil interaction square matrix in order N_s
- I_{ij} : vertical displacement factor for element i due to shear stress at element j
- I_{ib} : vertical displacement factor for element i due to unit stress at the base

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- Ibb : vertical displacement factor for the base due to unit stress at the base
 - Ibj : vertical displacement factor for the base due to shear stress at element j of pile shaft.
 - [I] : the unit matrix of order (n+1) by (n+1)
 - [Is] : n+1 square matrix of soil displacement factors
 - [K]e : the element stiffness matrix
 - [Kww]e, [Kwo]e, [Kow]e, [Koo]e : the partitions stiffness matrices given in Appendix (D).
 - L : total length of pile
 - {M} : the load vector for moments at the various nodes
 - {ME}e : the moments in the X & Y directions at the element nodes
 - Mx, My : the moment of all load components along the Y and X axis respectively
 - Np : number of pile elements.
 - Ns : number of soil elements.
 - P : value of the load
 - {P} : the load vector of external applied vertical loads at the nodes in order (Np+Ns)
 - Pt : Total applied load
 - Ps : Load taken directly by the soil in direct contact with the soil
 - P_i : the vertical shear on the pile periphery at element i
 - pR_i : the displacement of the pile at element i
 - pR_{i-1}, pR_i, pR_{i+1} : the displacements of the midpoints of elements i-1, i, i+1, respectively.
 - [pI] : n+1 square matrix of coefficient for pile action.
 - {Q} : the vector of the unknown reactions in order (Np+Ns)
 - Rg : Pile group settlement with rigid pile cap
 - Rr : Raft settlement without piles

R_s : Single pile settlement
 q_i : the normal stress in the pile at element i
 $\{q\}_e$: nodal point displacement vector of the element
 S : the spacing between the two piles
 $\{S_t\}$: the total settlement vector
 $[SETT]$: influence factors matrix of order (N_p+N_s)
 sR_{ij} : vertical displacement at i due to stress p_j at j
 sR_i : vertical displacement at i
 sR_b : vertical displacement at the base
 $\{sR\}$: soil displacement vector
 $[sI]$: the soil coefficient matrix of order $(n+1)$ by $(n+1)$
 sR_{1p} : settlement of single pile
 sR_{2p} : settlement factor of two identically, equally loaded piles
 spR_j : the settlement factor at soil surface point j due to embedded concentrated load P_i at segment i
 $ssI(i,j)$: the influence settlement factor for the soil surface element due to its own unit stress
 S_{red_i} : the reduced settlement at point i
 S_{t_i} : absolute settlement at point i
 S_{p_i} : absolute settlement of plane of supports at point i
 $\{S_r\}$: the reduced settlement vector in order (N_p+N_s)
 $[SRED]$: the reduced settlement coefficients square matrix (N_p+N_s) by (N_p+N_s)
 T : Pile cap thickness
 $(T/d)_u$: Pile cap to diameter ratio shared the load equally among the individual piles in the group.
 $\{W_z\}_e$: the vertical displacement at the element nodes
 $\{W\}, \{\theta\}$: the displacements at the various nodes

Z : depth of required point to calculate settlement at it

Z_p : pile element height ($Z_p=L/n$)

$z_{Iij}, z_{Iib}, z_{Ibj}, z_{Ibb}$: are the soil coefficient factors for the effect of the second pile on the first

δz : value of settlement

ν : poisson's ratio for soil

$\{\theta\}_e$: the rotations in the X & Y directions at the element nodes

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