



Application of the Bootstrap Method for Optimal Sensor Location

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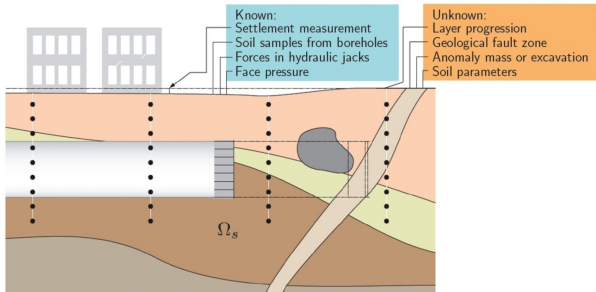
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Motivation

Overall objectives

- Development of optimised measurement concepts:
“Design of Experiment” applied to geotechnics in particular
- Identify optimal set-up including:
time, position, measurement accuracy, amount of sensors, type of measurement device
- Application of the bootstrap method for DoE





Concept “Design of Experiment”

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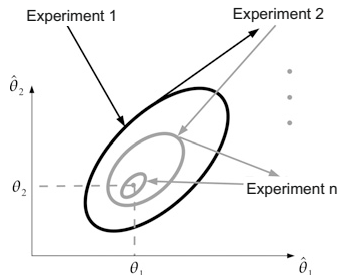
How to design an “Experiment” (Monitoring), to gain the most reliable measurements for an inverse analysis?

- Objective: identify model parameters θ , using inverse analysis: $\theta = f^{-1}(\tilde{y})$
- The more precise θ is identified, the smaller the discrepancy between model response y and measurements \tilde{y}
- Problem: inverse analysis $\theta = f^{-1}(\tilde{y})$ is being falsified by:
 - Model uncertainty
 - Measurement errors
 - Inhomogeneity of subsoil

⇒ Parameter are identified, but affected with errors (variance, COV)

- Model/system response is depending on soil parameters and “experiment”/monitoring:
 $y = f(\theta, X)$

Which X allows $f^{-1}(\tilde{y})$, in a way that $COV(\theta) = \min$?



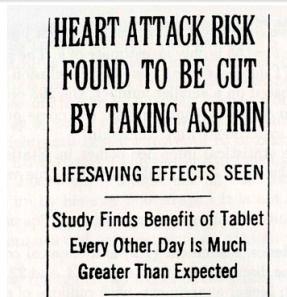
Concept of DoE-process for a two-dimensional parameters space (Schenkendorf et al., 2009)



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New York Times, 27.01.1987

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$$0.43 < \hat{\mu} < 0.70$$

- Evaluation heart strokes:

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$$\frac{119/11037}{98/11034} = 1.21 = \hat{\mu} \neq \mu$$

0.95 confidence interval:

$$0.93 < \hat{\mu} < 1.59$$

- After drawing of 1000 samples with replacement from initial population:

- 119 “ones”, 10918 “zeros”
- 98 “ones”, 10936 “zeros”

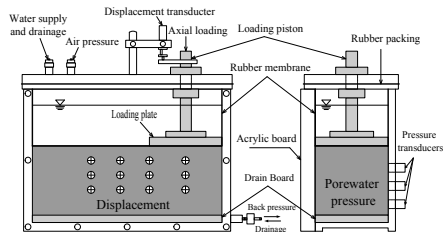
- Confidence interval based on new data: $1.04 < \hat{\mu} < 1.38$



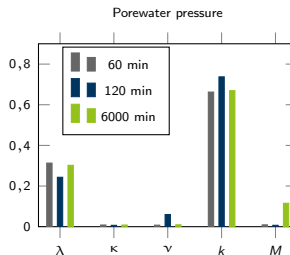
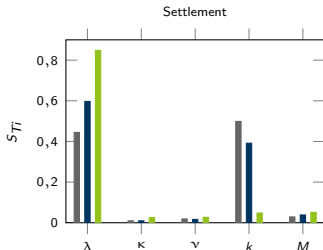
Introducing the reference experiment

Procedure

- Soft clay sample undergoes stepwise loading
- Limited drainage possibilities provoke long time consolidation behaviour
- Extensive measurement set-up allows parameter identification
- GSA allows identification of relevant parameters

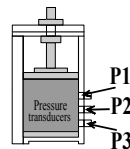
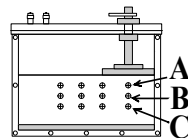
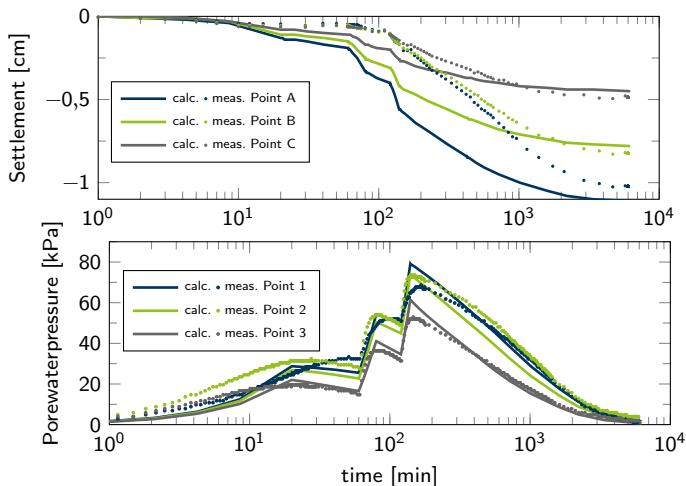


experimental setup





Optimised parameters, assuming closed boundaries



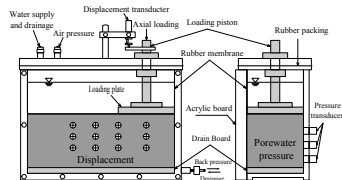


Employment of Bootstrap method:

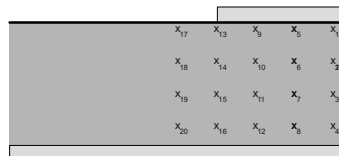
“Using sampling from the sample to model sampling from the population”

Initial situation

- Numerical model with “known” parameters:
From GSA, λ and k are of interest
- Primary design definition:
Three sensors for pore water pressure and for three displacements
- General specification of possible measurement positions:
20 possible positions assumed
 $\Rightarrow \binom{20}{3}^2 = 1,299,600$ combinations
- Known distribution type and variance of measurement devices:
Gaussian white noise, $\text{COV} = 20\%$



Initial experimental setup



Distribution of possible measurement points



Application on current subject

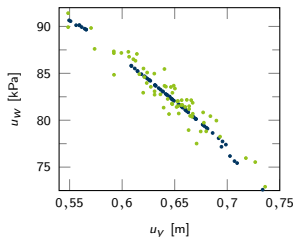
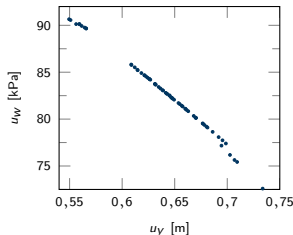
Proceeding

- 1 20 Positions $P_j(X, Y)$ are chosen as possible locations for the three sensors
- 2 Metamodel g creates output values $U(u_y, u_w)$ out of input parameters $\theta(k, \lambda)$
- 3 100 new random samples within the former ranges of U (inappropriate, "wrong", noisy)
- 4 PI is performed on each samples for different positions:

$$\theta_i = g^{-1}(U_i, P_j) \Rightarrow \bar{\theta} = \sum_{i=0}^N \theta_i$$

- 5 Covariance matrix of the identified parameters is calculated:

$$C_{\theta} = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=0}^N (\theta_i - \bar{\theta}) \cdot (\theta_i - \bar{\theta})^T$$



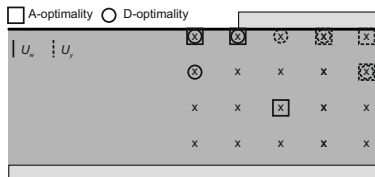
Results of numerical simulation and artificial noisy values



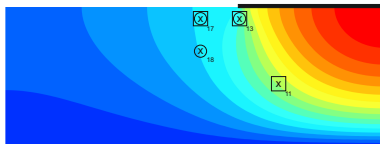
Evaluation I

Identification of Sensor positions:

- C_θ is identified for each possible combination of P_j
- To quantify the quality of the results, an optimality criterion is applied on each C_θ :
A-optimal design $\Phi_A(C_\theta) = \text{tr}(C_\theta)$
D-optimal design $\Phi_D(C_\theta) = \det(C_\theta)$
- The smaller the criterion is, the more optimal the considered combination
- The most informative sensor locations for settlements are suggested below the loading plate
- It is recommended to measure pore water pressures in the midfield of the device



Suggested measurement points for $\Phi(C_\theta) = \min$



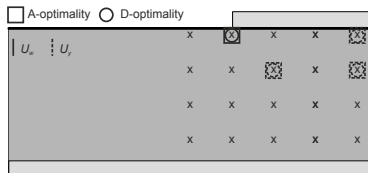
Suggested pwp-sensors with pwp-distribution



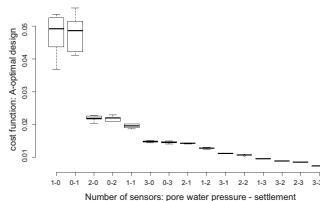
Evaluation II

How many sensors should be used?

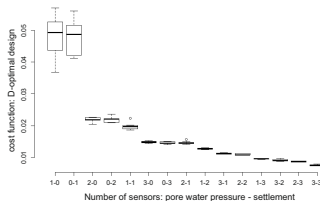
- Variation of the number of sensors, from [0, 0] to [3, 3]
- Identification of optimal positions in each case
- Normalised cost function $\Phi(C_\theta)$ allows comparison of different set-ups



Suggested measurement points for set-up 1-3



Cost function values, using $\Phi_A(C_\theta)$



Cost function values, using $\Phi_D(C_\theta)$

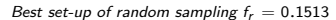


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- Iterative exploration of design space (inspired by subset simulation)

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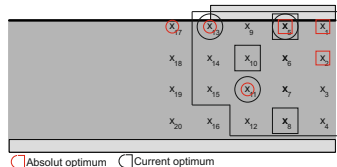
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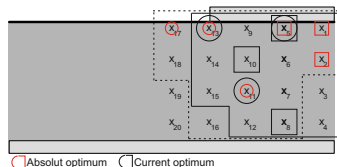
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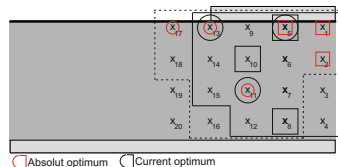
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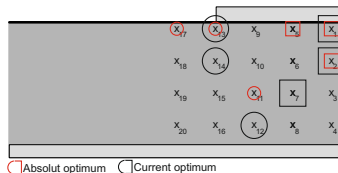
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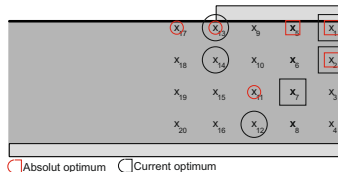
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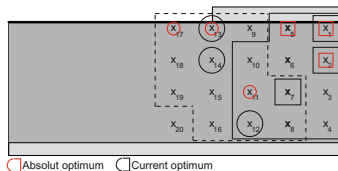
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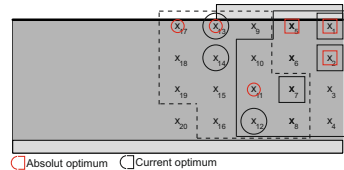
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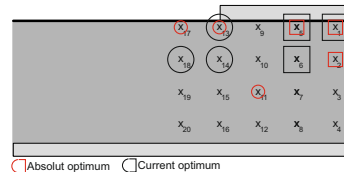
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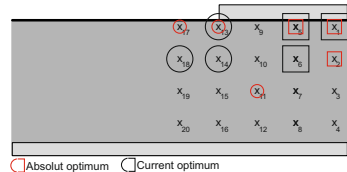
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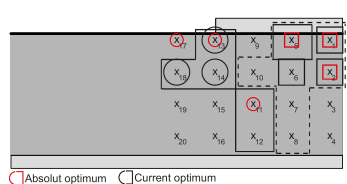
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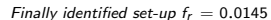
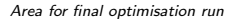


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Outlook

Conclusion

- Approach to reduce uncertainties in geotechnical investigation by creating a rational measurement design
- Application to a well documented experiment
- Considerable reduction of computational effort

Next steps

- Further consideration of measurement uncertainties (higher order uncertainty)
- Application of Sequential Bayesian DoE or Bayesian learning for DoE
- Application to 3D-Tunneling problems \Rightarrow time dependency
- Further improvement and validation of statistical methods to reduce computational efforts



Thank you for your attention!



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