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Visualizing Soil Structure Interaction and Flow, Non-intrusively

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Abstract

Measurement of three-dimensional deformation patterns and flow characteristics within a soil continuum are usually limited by the fact that soil sensors do not provide a continuous image of the measured continuum. Additionally, soil sensors exhibit static and dynamic characteristics that are different from those of the surrounding soils and therefore can change the response of the measured continuum. This seminar presents a novel physical-modeling methods to study flow and soil-structure problems. The method employs transparent synthetic soils that represent the macroscopic behavior of natural soils. Digital image correlation (DIC, also known as particle image velocimetry (PIV)) techniques are employed to quantify the meso-scale response of granular soils to high-speed penetration, non-intrusively. Advances in individual particle tracking and imaging of micro-scale phenomena are also introduced. Finally, recent developments in measurement of flow phenomena in transparent soils are presented.

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