Example 2.2 Pad foundation with inclined eccentric load on boulder clay

The square pad foundation shown in Figure 2.2a, with an embedment depth of 0.8 m, which is below any topsoil and disturbed ground, is required to support the following characteristic loads:

Permanent:	Vertical	$G_{v,k}$ = 1000 kN, excluding weight of foundation
	Horizontal	$G_{h,k} = 0$
Variable:	Vertical	$Q_{v,k} = 750 \text{ kN}$
	Horizontal	$Q_{h,k} = 500 \text{ kN}$, at 2m above the top of the foundation
Concrete weight density		$\gamma_c = 25 \text{ kN/m}^3$

The variable loads are independent or each other. Assume the variable loads are repeated several times at this magnitude.



Figure 2.2a: Pad foundation (square on plan)

The soil consists of boulder clay. A site plan showing the location of the foundation and the locations where five SPT tests were carried out is given in Figure 2.2b. N values obtained from SPT tests are plotted in Figure 2.2c, the water contents and index tests determined from samples are presented in Figure 2.2d. The soil has a bulk weight density of 21.4 kN/m³ and the ground water level is 1.0 m below the ground level. The width of the foundation when designed to Eurocode 7 is to be determined, assuming the foundation is for a conventional concrete framed structure. There is no need to consider any effects due to frost or vegetation. The foundations' design working life is 50 years.



Figure 2.2b: Example 2.2 Site plan and location of SPT tests



Figure 2.2c: SPT N values recorded at the site



Figure 2.2d: Measured water contents and index values

Design Example 2.2 BOREHOLE No. 1

Water Strikes	\ \	Vater Levels F	lecorded Duri	ng Boring			
1. None 2. 3.	Hole Depth Casing Depth Water Level			·			
Remarks							
	Scale		amples & S	& S.P.T.			
		Depth	Legend	Ref. No.	Туре	D	epth
TOP SOJ Very st gravell	L ff brown sandy y CLAY with cobbles	0.30		9998 9351	U - D	1.00	
(Rontge	er clay)			9905	D	2.00	(1.)
		2.90		9997	D	3.00	(3.)
Very stiff b gravelly CLA and boulders	iff black silty sandy y CLAY with cobbles lders (Boulder Clay)			9920	D	5.00	(4.8
				9923	D	6.00	(6. <u>:</u>
		8,00	δ']× Iφ 	9921 9924	D D	7.50 8.00	(7.8

Figure 2.2e: Borehole Log 1



Figure 2.2f: Borehole Log 2

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Design Example 2.2

BOREHOLE No. 4

Water Strikes		Water Levels Recorded During Boring									
1. 3.20 2. 3.	Hole Depth Casing Depth Water Level						••				
Remarks S	Geepage a	t 3.20) metro	es. Sea	led	off i	n Bla	ck	Bould	ler Clay	•
Description		Scale	Scale			Samples & S.P.T.					
TOPSOII	,					Legend	Ref. No.	Туре			~ ~
Firm to gravell	stiff b y CLAY (rown s Boulde	andy or Clay	,)		0.00.00	99 1 4	D	1.50) (1.80)	25
	. <i>1</i> .			3.2	0	10] 0 C D 10	9202	D	3.20	(3.30)	33
Very stiff black silty gravelly CLAY with cobbles and boulders (Boulder Clay)								(4.80)	41		
						x 1, 6 x 6 0.	9989	D	6.00	(6.30)	43
				8.00		10k + 10	9990	D	8.00	(7. 80)	47

Figure 2.2g: Borehole Log 4

Design Example 2.2

BOREHOLE No. 11

SHELL & AUGER - 450mm DIAMETER Type and Dia. of Boring Water Levels Recorded During Boring Water Strikes 6.30 8.50 1.2.80 8.50 Hole Depth 6.30 7.30 2. Casing Depth 3. Water Level Nil Nil 3.50 Total - 3 hrs. chiselling Remarks PVC pipe installed. Samples & S.P.T. Scale Description Ref. No. Type Depth Depth N Legend TOPSOIL 0.30 10096 U 10097 D 0.50 Stiff brown silty very stony 0.50 CLAY, some cobbles <u>~ x</u> 1.00 (1.00)43 ç -10098 D 1.50 $\overline{\mathbf{Q}}$ Stiff brown sandy gravelly 1.50 (Abortive) U 0. CLAY with cobbles (Boulder (2.00) 41 Clay) o ō, 3.00 0 10099 D 3.00 (3.00) 64 9 Very stiff black sandy silty gravelly CLAY, cobbles and some boulders (Boulder Clay) 10100 D ò, 4.50 (4.50) 67 σ (6.00) 97 6.50 0 (7.50) 70 x 10102 D 7.80 U. <u>Z</u>x (8.50)Borehole completed at 80 9.00 Code : U-Undisturbed Sample D-Large Disturbed Sample J-Jar Sample W-Water Sample

Figure 2.2h: Borehole Log 11

Figure 2.2i: Borehole Log 13