

# 1<sup>st</sup> International FLAC/DEM Symposium Final Program

MONDAY, AUGUST 25

Symposium Check-in (Winter Garden) ..... 8:00 – 9:00

## MORNING SESSION Great Hall

Welcome & Opening Address – Roger Hart ..... 9:00 – 9:15

Keynote Speaker – Loren Lorig, “Using Numbers from Geology” ..... 9:15 – 10:00

Coffee break ..... 10:00 – 10:15

**Session 1-1 – Slope Stability** ..... 10:15 – 12:00

Session Chair: Patricio Gomez

Landslide stabilization using drilled shafts – D. Pradel & R. Carrillo

A study of cliffs subject to degradation by DEM (PFC<sup>2D</sup>) – S. Utili & R. Nova

On modeling of slope stability using UDEC – M. Tabbara & G. Karam

Modifications of PFC<sup>3D</sup> for rock mass fall modeling – R. Poisel & A. Preh

Lunch (Winter Garden) ..... 12:00 – 1:30

## AFTERNOON SESSIONS

### Hiawatha Room #1

**Session 1-2 – Slope Stability** ..... 1:30 – 2:20

Session Chair: Alison Ord

Influence of rock-strength spatial variability on slope stability – M. Jefferies, L. Lorig & C. Alvarez

Application of distinct element code, PFC<sup>3D</sup>, for simulating effects of tunnel failure on slope surface – S. Kuraoka & T. Makino

**Session 2 – Numerical Techniques** ..... 2:20 – 3:15

Session Chair: Alison Ord

Automatic grid generation, property rezoning & geomechanical analysis of Petrel-ECLIPSE petroleum reservoir data with FLAC<sup>3D</sup> – J. Adachi, T. Hartman, L. Lomas, R. Plumb, I. Gil, M. Sanchez & R. Taghavi

Automatic remeshing logic in large strain continuum simulations – Y. Han, P.A. Cundall & R. Hart

Coffee break ..... 3:15 – 3:30

**Session 3 –Coupled Processes\Codes** ..... 3:30 – 5:15

Session Chair: Ian Clark

Determination of aquifer and aquitard properties by inverse hydromechanical modeling – M.J. Burlingame

Thermo-hydromechanical analysis of a dam using FLAC<sup>3D</sup> software – C. Bourdeau, D. Billaux & A.F. Chraibi

Stability of a slope in unsaturated conditions – C. Detournay & R. Hart

### Hiawatha Room #3

**Session 4 – Fracture Propagation** ..... 1:30 – 2:20

Session Chair: Peter Hudleston

Effects of stress and induced cracking on the static and dynamic moduli of rock – D.O. Potyondy & J.F. Hazzard

Modeling of unrelieved rock cutting test by using PFC<sup>3D</sup> – O. Su & N.A. Akcin

**Session 5-1 – Tectonics** ..... 2:20 – 3:15

Session Chair: Peter Hudleston

Numerical experiments to investigate faulting and the dynamics of tectonic processes – T.R. Harper

Using PFC<sup>2D</sup> to investigate volcanic debris avalanche emplacement processes and deposit features with special consideration to Mexican volcanic collapse deposits – N. Thompson

Coffee break ..... 3:15 – 3:30

**Session 5-2 – Tectonics** ..... 3:30 – 5:15

Session Chair: Peter Hudleston

Numerical modeling of stress-strain state of the earth's crust of the Caspian region – I.A. Garagash & A.V. Dubovskaya

Stress distribution in the footwall of an active normal fault – T.R. Harper & T.N. Pritchard

Particle modeling of brecciation – A. Ord, B.E. Hobbs, S. Mikula & H. Sheldon

**Ice Breaker Party** (Winter Garden) ..... 6:30 – 9:30

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 26**

**MORNING SESSION**  
**Great Hall**

**Keynote Speaker – Alan Guest, "PFC, a Dream Coming True" .....8:30 – 9:00**

**Session 6-1 – Material Behavior .....9:00 – 10:00**

Session Chair: Charles Fairhurst

*Anisotropy and scale dependency in jointed rock-mass strength – A Synthetic Rock Mass Study* – D. Mas Ivars, M. Pierce, D. DeGagné & C. Darcel

*Simulation of rock-mass strength anisotropy and scale effects using a Ubiquitous Joint Rock Mass (URJM) model* – B. Sainsbury, M. Pierce & D. Mas Ivars

*Determination of specific rockmass failure envelope via PFC and its subsequent application using FLAC* – D. Saiang

**Coffee break.....10:00 – 10:15**

**Session 6-2 – Material Behavior .....10:15 – 12:00**

Session Chair: Charles Fairhurst

*Special presentation by Martin Schöpfer – The impact of porosity and crack density on the elasticity, strength and friction of bonded particle models for rock* – M.P.J. Schöpfer, S. Abe, C. Childs & J.J. Walsh

*Investigation of core stress memory using discrete particle modeling* – S. Gorodkov, R.M. Holt & L. Li

*Numerical prediction of a centrifuge model – implications to rock engineering using FLAC* – M. Tsesarsky & M.L. Talesnick

*The Cysoil model: a simple strain hardening constitutive model for soft and stiff soils* – C. Detournay & P. Cundall

*Implementation and three dimensional example applications of a bounding surface hypo-plasticity model for sand as a C++ UDM for FLAC<sup>3D</sup>* – F.G. Ma & Z.L. Wang

**Lunch (Winter Garden).....12:00 – 1:30**

**AFTERNOON SESSIONS**

**Hiawatha Room #1**

**Session 7-1 – Mining.....1:30 – 3:15**

Session Chair: Richard Brummer

*Initialization of non-uniform stress for complex geology and topographic conditions* – J.R. Killian, P.F. Cicchini & S.C. Schmelter

*Stresses under coal stockpiles during drawdown* – I.H. Clark

*Ore pass stability analysis at the Brunswick Mine using PFC<sup>3D</sup>* – K. Esmaeli, J. Hadjigeorgiou, M. Grenon & R. Harrisson

*Calibration of large-scale three-dimensional non-linear numerical models of underground mines using microseismic data* – P.P. Andrieux, M.R. Hudyma, C.P. O'Connor, H. Li, L. Cotesta & R.K. Brummer

**Coffee break.....3:15 – 3:30**

**Session 7-2 – Mining.....3:30 – 4:30**

Session Chair: Richard Brummer

*Application of global-local modeling to mining rock mechanics problems* – J. Sjöberg & L. Malmgren

*3DEC numerical modeling of the Tindaya Mountain Project* – M. Senís & P. Varona

*Numerical analysis of strata behavior in the vicinity of a longwall panel in a coal seam mined with roof caving* – M. Kwaśniewski

**Hiawatha Room #3**

**Session 8-1 – Fabric .....1:30 – 3:15**

Session Chair: Martin Schöpfer

*Relating PFC parameters to rock properties for application to reservoir scale geomechanics* – H.T. Alassi & R.M. Holt

*A grain scale PFC<sup>3D</sup> model* – L. Li, I. Larsen & R.M. Holt

*Investigation of the air void effect on asphalt mixture using 2D and 3D DEM* – S. Adhikari, Z. You, Q. Dai & Y. Liu

*3D microstructural modeling* – M. Herbst, H. Konietzky & K. Walter

*A new method of microparameter determination for PFC<sup>2D</sup> synthetic rock model generation* – J. Yoon, S. Jeon, O. Stephansson, A. Zang & G. Dresen

**Coffee break .....3:15 – 3:30**

**Session 8-2 – Fabric .....3:30 – 4:30**

Session Chair: Martin Schöpfer

*Role of interfacial strength properties in determining bulk mechanical properties in block-in-matrix rocks* – S.-H. Yoo & Y. Park

*Modeling granular particle shape using discrete element method* – N. Das, B. Sukumaran & A.K. Ashmawy

*Evolution of shape fabrics in deforming rigid-object bearing systems: a distinct element method approach* – Y. Park, K.-S. Kim, C. Lee & Y. Park

**Special Event & Banquet – Charles Fairhurst (speaker) .....6:00 – 12:00**

Tour, Reception & Dinner at **Mill City Museum** (<http://www.millcitymuseum.org/>).

Located just a few blocks from The Depot hotel, the museum chronicles the flour milling industry that dominated world flour production for roughly a half-century and fueled the growth of Minneapolis, recognized across the nation and around the world as "Mill City." Built within the ruins of a National Historic Landmark, the Washburn A Mill, the museum will provide a multi-sensory, interactive journey. The story of flour milling - and its impact on Minneapolis, the nation and the world - comes to life in this one-of-a-kind museum.

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27**

**MORNING SESSION**  
**Great Hall**

**Keynote Speaker – Peter Byrne**, “State of the Art Dynamic Liquefaction Analysis Procedures” ..... **8:30 – 9:00**

**Session 9-1 – Underground Construction** ..... **9:00 – 10:00**

Session Chair: Huanchun Zhu

*Engineering evaluation of design concepts for a large span urban underground station cavern in weak rock based on design analysis – J.C. Sharp, S.C. Bandis, C.A. Schinas, R.N. MacKean & S.P. Watson*

*Numerical analysis of tunnel Cenkova using FLAC<sup>3D</sup> – J. Likar & J. Čadež*

*Analysis of live loads on culverts using FLAC<sup>3D</sup> – D.L. Petersen, G. Li & C.R. Nelson*

**Coffee break** ..... **10:00 – 10:15**

**Session 9-2 – Underground Construction** ..... **10:15 – 12:00**

Session Chair: Huanchun Zhu

*The application of FLAC<sup>3D</sup> on Picote II Underground Powerhouse – C. Esteves, N. Plasencia & C. Lima*

*Numerical modeling of a subway construction accident: case history and analysis – B. Liu, T. Li & Y. Han*

*Simulation of the excavation of a tunnel using an EPB machine – M. Senís, P. Varona & P. Velasco*

*Protection measures of monumental buildings during the excavation of a tunnel with an EPB machine – M. Senís, P. Varona & P. Velasco*

*Research on simulation of rupture of rock mass around tunnels based on PFC – T. Wang, Q. Sheng, Y.H. Zhang & W. Qin*

**Lunch (Winter Garden)** ..... **12:00 – 1:30**

**AFTERNOON SESSIONS**

**Hiawatha Room #1**

**Session 10 – Dynamics** ..... **1:30 – 3:30**

Session Chair: Wolfgang Roth

*Analysis of a seismically induced highway embankment failure during the 2007 Noto earthquake – P. Kitayodom, A. Murata, Y. Sasa, E. Shimamoto, T. Matsumoto & M. Kitaura*

*Validity of the pseudostatic surface assumption for evaluating seismically-induced deformation in slopes – P.M. Strenk & J. Wartman*

*Seismic earth pressures on below-grade U-shape walls – E. Zhai & B. O'Neill*

*Modeling and monitoring of hammer piling induced vibrations – B. Ni, K. Carr, M. Thomas & P.J. Millar*

*Wave propagation in cross-anisotropic soils with dynamic FLAC – G. Inci & K. Rao*

*Modeling shock and detonation waves with FLAC – P.A. Cundall & C. Detournay*

**Hiawatha Room #3**

**Session 11 – Retaining Wall** ..... **1:30 – 2:40**

Session Chair: Gilles Buchet

*Bulkhead wall design on very soft clay ground – C. Dai*

*Installation of a triple anchored excavation wall in sand using the Cysoil model – C. Detournay & Y. Han*

*A FLAC model for classical earth pressure problems – J.S. Shiao, C.J. Thomas & C.A. Smith*

**Session 12 – Foundation** ..... **2:40 – 3:30**

Session Chair: Gilles Buchet

*Differential settlements with FLAC<sup>3D</sup> – G. Inci & J. Glastonbury*

*Foundation located near slope ~ A FLAC study – J.S. Shiao, J.F. Watson & C.A. Smith*

**Symposium Closure (Hiawatha Room #1)** ..... **3:30 – 3:45**