Advanced Constitutive Models for Geomaterials					
Module-No./Abbreviation	Credits	Workload		Frequency	Duration
CE-W06/ACMG	3 CP	90 h	2 nd Sem.	Summer	1 Semester
				term	
Courses			Contact hours	Self-Study	Group Size: No Restrictions
Advanced Constitutive Models for Geomaterials			2 SWS (30 h)	60 h	No Restrictions

Prerequisites

Fundamental knowledge in soil mechanics and numerical simulation in Geotechnics

Learning goals / Competences

Within the module CE-WP09 (Numerical Simulation in Geotechnics and Tunneling), some basic and advanced constitutive models for geomaterials are introduced. In this course, further advanced constitutive models will be introduced and their relevance for different geotechnical applications will be discussed. One main objective of this course is to study the influence of different constitutive models on the numerical results for various geotechnical applications.

After successfully completing the module, the students are able to

- follow the mathematical formulation and implementation of advanced constitutive models,
- model the material behavior of soil using suitable, complex constitutive models,
- select suitable numerical methods and constitutive models for practical questions and assess limitations according to the selected approaches.

Content

The course extends the existing knowledge on soil behavior and its mathematical description:

- Hardening Soil, Hardening Soil Small Strain
- Modified Cam-Clay
- Softsoil Creep (SSC) model
- Hypoplasticity
- Viscohypoplasticity
- Bounding surface plasticity models SaniSand / SaniClay
- Calibration process of advanced constitutive models
- Effects of the constitutive model on the FE-prediction (selected examples)

Teaching methods / Language

Lecture (1h / week), Exercises (1h / week) / English

Mode of assessment

Final student project with oral presentation (30 min, 100%)

Requirement for the award of credit points

Project work and final presentation

Module applicability

MSc. Computational Engineering

Weight of the mark for the final score

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Further information