

Two-dimensional model for accumulation of pore pressure in marine sediments

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ABSTRACT

A two-dimensional 2-D porous model was developed to investigate the accumulation of pore pressure in marine sediments, in which the volume-averaged Reynolds-averaged Navier-Stokes (VARANS) equations were used as the governing equations for the wave motion and Biot's consolidation theory was used for the porous seabed. Unlike most of the previous investigations on the accumulation of pore pressure in which the amplitude of the shear stress over the wave period was used in the source term, in this study, the source term was re-defined as a time-dependent function using the phase-resolved oscillatory shear stresses. Overall good agreement of both oscillatory and residual pore pressures with previous analytical solutions and experimental data demonstrated the reliability of the model for the prediction of wave-induced pore pressure accumulation. For the case with progressive wave loadings, the liquefaction zone related to the initial incident of the wave phases was formed as a 2-D pattern during the first liquefaction wave period. This 2-D pattern became one-dimensional after one wave period, decreasing progressively, to a constant value after a number of wave cycles. For the case with standing wave loadings, a 2-D liquefaction zone occurs first in the region where the shear strains are highest. Eventually, this 2-D pattern becomes continuous, which implies that even the soil in the anti-node section can be liquefied. Compared with the seabed response under linear wave loading, the pore pressure more easily accumulates to a higher value under non-linear wave loading because of the higher peak in the shear strains. Parametric studies indicate that,

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23 both the wave characteristics and soil properties affect the maximum relative liquefaction depth
24 (z_L/h) significantly. In general, the maximum liquefaction depth increases as the wave height
25 and as the wave length increase and in shallow water within the seabed, which has a lower
26 permeability and lower relative density.

27 **Keywords:** wave-induced seabed response; residual liquefaction; phase-resolved instant shear
28 stress; porous seabed; VARANS equations; Biot's theory.

29 INTRODUCTION

30 Wave-induced seabed instability has become an increasingly important issue in the design
31 of foundations around offshore infrastructures. Two mechanisms for wave-induced liquefaction
32 have been reported in previous laboratory studies (Zen and Yamazaki 1990), depending upon
33 how the excess pore pressure is generated. One is transient (or oscillatory) liquefaction, which
34 is usually associated with unsaturated marine soils. It is momentary liquefaction that occurs
35 in the seabed under wave troughs when the encapsulated air dissipates the pressure causing
36 a sharp upwardly directed pressure gradient. The other mechanism is normally seen in fully
37 saturated soils. It is a result of the build-up of excess pore pressure caused by the volumetric
38 compaction caused by the action of cyclic wave loading. In this study, we will focus on the
39 residual liquefaction from the second mechanism.

40 Numerous laboratory experiments (Tzang 1998; Sumer et al. 1999; Sumer et al. 2012;
41 Sumer 2014) have reported the wave-induced pore pressure build-up mechanism and the ex-
42 istence of residual liquefaction. Based on wave flume tests (Sumer et al. 1999; Sumer et al.
43 2012), three primary factors have been identified that affect the accumulation of pore pressure,
44 i.e., the cyclic shear stress ratio (τ/σ'_0), the period of cyclic loading, and the number of loading
45 cycles required to reach residual liquefaction. Seed and Rahman (1978) developed a simple
46 one-dimensional (1D) finite element model for earthquake-induced liquefaction to describe the
47 buildup of pore pressure under progressive waves. This model has been further extended an-
48 alytically and numerically to examine wave-induced residual soil response. McDougal et al.
49 (1989) has investigated a set of analytical solutions for wave-induced pore pressure buildup in a

50 uniform soil layer. Cheng et al. (2001) proposed an analytical solution to re-examine the solu-
51 tion developed by McDougal et al., noting that the small error of shear stress can lead to a large
52 error in the accumulated pore pressure. Sumer and Fredsøe (2002) has developed an analytical
53 solution using Fourier transforms to evaluate the buildup of pore pressure, based on Biot's con-
54 solidation equations. Jeng et al. (2007) re-examined the wave-induced residual soil response
55 by developing both an analytical approximation and a numerical solution, thereby providing a
56 better prediction than the previous solutions (McDougal et al. 1989; Cheng et al. 2001). It is
57 noted that the Sumer and Fredsøe (2002) and the Jeng et al. (2007) models are identical, but
58 with different forms and approaches.

59 Standing waves often occurs in front of an impervious vertical wall or on the ocean side of
60 composite breakwaters, which are formed by the combination of the reflected waves meeting
61 the incoming waves. Compared with previous investigations for progressive wave-induced liq-
62 uefaction, studies on the standing wave-induced seabed liquefaction have been relatively rare.
63 One of the leading studies for standing wave induced seabed liquefaction was performed by
64 Sekiguchi et al. (1995), in which the derived a closed-form solution considering 1D poro-
65 elastoplasticity under standing waves. Sassa and Sekiguchi (2001) presented a 2-D elasto-
66 plastic constitutive model in a finite element analysis of wave-induced liquefaction in sand beds,
67 comparing the numerical solutions with experimental measurements conducted in a centrifuge
68 wave tank (Sassa and Sekiguchi 1999). Their study showed that the rotation of the principal
69 stress axes in the sand was important in the prediction of wave-induced residual soil response
70 under progressive wave loads. Overall, their results were esatisfactory, except for the maximum
71 residual pore pressure in the soil at the antinodal section. Their experiments showed that the
72 soil can liquefy at the antinodal section; however, the opposite behavior was predicted by their
73 numerical results. Recently, Kirca et al. (2013) presented the results of an experimental study
74 of the seabed residual liquefaction under standing wave loads. This is one of a few available in
75 the literature for standing wave-induced pore pressures.

76 In all the aforementioned studies, except Sassa and Sekiguchi (2001), for wave-induced

77 residual pore pressures in marine sediments, the source term was considered as a time-independent
78 function with the maximum amplitude of the oscillatory shear stress. Therefore, the oscillatory
79 and residual mechanisms were not coupled, although they affect each other. In this study, we
80 define the source term as a time-dependent function with the phase-resolved oscillatory shear
81 stress and derive the boundary value problem in 2-D. The numerical results from the present
82 model are verified using the previous analytical solution and the experimental data first. Then,
83 the effect of the nonlinear wave components on the accumulation of the wave-induced pore
84 pressure investigated. Finally, the process of the development of the liquefaction zone and the
85 effect of the wave characteristics and the soil properties on the wave-induced maximum lique-
86 faction depth is suggested.

87 **THEORETICAL FORMULATIONS**

88 The phenomenon of ocean waves propagating over a porous seabed is shown in Figure 1. It
89 is assumed that any deformations of the porous seabed are not large and therefore do not affect
90 the wave-seabed interactions. Non-linear waves are simulated by the previous wave model, and
91 the residual mechanism of the seabed response is modeled by a poro-elastic model. Both wave
92 and seabed models are integrated into a single model.

93 **Wave model**

94 The flow of the incompressible fluid is described by the based on the volume-averaged Reynolds
95 averaged Navier-Stokes (VARANS) equations (Lin and Liu 1999) for the mass conservation and
96 momentum conservation as follows:

$$\frac{\partial \langle \bar{u}_{fi} \rangle}{\partial x_i} = 0, \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \langle \bar{u}_{fi} \rangle}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \langle \bar{u}_{fj} \rangle}{n(1+c_A)} \frac{\partial \langle \bar{u}_{fi} \rangle}{\partial x_j} = \frac{1}{1+c_A} \left[-\frac{n}{\rho_f} \frac{\partial \langle \bar{p} \rangle^f}{\partial x_i} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{\partial \langle \bar{u}'_{fi} \bar{u}'_{fj} \rangle}{\partial x_j} + \frac{1}{\rho_f} \frac{\partial \langle \bar{\tau}_{fij} \rangle}{\partial x_j} + ng_i \right] - \frac{\langle \bar{u}_{fi} \rangle}{1+c_A} \left[\frac{\alpha'_f (1-n)^2}{n^2 d_{50}^2} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{\beta_f (1-n)}{n^2 d_{50}} \sqrt{\langle \bar{u}_{f1} \rangle^2 + \langle \bar{u}_{f2} \rangle^2} \right] \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

97 where u_{fi} is the flow velocity, x_i are the Cartesian coordinates, t is the time, ρ_f is the density of
 98 water, p is the pressure, g_i is gravitational acceleration, n and d_{50} are the porosity and equivalent
 99 mean diameter of the porous material, respectively, c_A is the added mass coefficient, calculated
 100 by $c_A = 0.34(1-n)n$, $\alpha'_f = 200$ and $\beta_f = 1.1$ are empirical coefficients associated with the
 101 linear and nonlinear drag force, respectively, and τ_{fij} is the viscous stress tensor of the mean
 102 flow, which can be defined as follows:

$$\tau_{fij} = \nu_f \left(\frac{\partial \bar{u}_{fi}}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial \bar{u}_{fj}}{\partial x_i} \right) \quad (3)$$

103 where ν_f is the molecular viscosity. The over-bar represents the ensemble average in the case
 104 of waves and the prime denotes turbulent fluctuations induced by the ensemble mean. Note that
 105 because the VARANS equations are also valid for steady or unicyclic unsteady flow scenarios,
 106 in this case, the over-bar denotes time averaging rather than ensemble averaging. The symbols
 107 $\langle \rangle$ and $\langle \rangle^f$ stand for Darcy's volume averaging operator and the intrinsic averaging operator,
 108 respectively, and are defined as follows:

$$\langle a \rangle = \frac{1}{V} \int_{V_f} a dv, \quad \text{and} \quad \langle a \rangle^f = \frac{1}{V^f} \int_{V^f} a dv \quad (4)$$

109 where V is the total averaging volume, and V_f is the portion of V that is occupied by the fluid.
 110 The relationship between Darcy's volume averaging operator and intrinsic volume averaging

111 is $\langle a \rangle = n \langle a \rangle^f$. The turbulent kinetic energy (k) and the turbulent dissipation rate (ϵ_f) can be
 112 determined from the k - ϵ_f equations as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \langle k \rangle}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \langle \bar{u}_{fj} \rangle}{n} \frac{\partial \langle k \rangle}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial \langle \bar{u}_{fj} \rangle}{n} \frac{\partial \langle k \rangle}{\partial x_j} = - \frac{\langle \bar{u}'_{fi} \bar{u}'_{fj} \rangle}{n} \frac{\partial \langle \bar{u}_{fi} \rangle}{\partial x_j} \\ + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[\left(\frac{\partial \langle \nu_{et} \rangle}{\sigma_k} + \nu_e \right) \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_j} \right] - \langle \epsilon_f \rangle + n \epsilon_{f\infty} \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \langle \epsilon_f \rangle}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \langle \bar{u}_{fj} \rangle}{n} \frac{\partial \langle \epsilon_f \rangle}{\partial x_j} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[\left(\frac{\partial \langle \nu_{et} \rangle}{\sigma_\epsilon} + \nu_e \right) \frac{\partial \epsilon_f}{\partial x_j} \right] \\ - C_{1\epsilon} \frac{\langle \epsilon_f \rangle}{n \langle k \rangle} \langle \bar{u}'_{fi} \bar{u}'_{fj} \rangle \frac{\partial \langle \bar{u}_{fj} \rangle}{\partial x_j} - C_{2\epsilon} \frac{\langle \epsilon_f \rangle^2}{\langle k \rangle} + n C_{2\epsilon} \frac{\epsilon_{f\infty}^2}{k_\infty} \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

114 where ν_{et} is the eddy viscosity and ν_e is the dynamic viscosity, which can be expressed as ν_f/ρ_f .
 115 The empirical coefficients $C_{1\epsilon}$, $C_{2\epsilon}$, σ_ϵ and σ_k are 1.44, 1.92, 1.3 and 1.0, respectively, and are
 116 estimated from stationary flow experiments (Rodi 1980). The $\epsilon_{f\infty}$ and k_∞ are defined as follows:

$$\epsilon_{f\infty} = 39.0 \frac{(1-n)^{2.5}}{n} \left(\langle \bar{u}_1 \rangle^2 + \langle \bar{u}_2 \rangle^2 \right)^{1.5} \frac{1}{d_{50}} \quad (7)$$

$$k_\infty = 3.7 \frac{1-n}{\sqrt{n}} \left(\langle \bar{u}_1 \rangle^2 + \langle \bar{u}_2 \rangle^2 \right) \quad (8)$$

117 Appropriate boundary conditions are required to solve the wave field. With respect to the
 118 mean flow field, the no-slip boundary condition is imposed on the seafloor surface ($u_{fi}=0$).
 119 Neglecting the effect of air flow, the zero-stress condition is adopted on the mean free surface,
 120 ($\tau_{fij} = 0$). For the turbulence field, the log-law distribution of mean tangential velocity in the
 121 turbulent boundary layer is imposed near the rigid boundary. Both the turbulent kinetic energy
 122 (k) and its dissipation rate (ϵ_f) on the free surface are implemented with zero gradient boundary
 123 conditions, (i.e., $\frac{\partial k}{\partial n} = \frac{\partial \epsilon_f}{\partial n} = 0$, in which n is the unit normal on the free surface). The damping zone
 124 is located at two vertical boundaries which are far from the region concerned. More detailed
 125 implementations on the boundary conditions for the wave model are discussed by Lin and Liu
 126 (1999).

127 **Seabed model**

128 *Wave-induced soil response*

Based on the poro-elastic theory by Biot (1941), the governing equations for the force equilibrium in the soil can be written as follows:

$$G\nabla^2 u_s + \frac{G}{1-2\mu_s} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial u_s}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial w_s}{\partial z} \right) = \frac{\partial p_s}{\partial x}, \quad (9)$$

$$G\nabla^2 w_s + \frac{G}{1-2\mu_s} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(\frac{\partial u_s}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial w_s}{\partial z} \right) = \frac{\partial p_s}{\partial z}, \quad (10)$$

129 where (u_s, w_s) are the soil displacements in the x - and z -directions, respectively; p_s is the pore
130 pressure; μ_s is Poisson's ratio; and G is the shear modulus of the soil.

131 The wave-induced soil response consists of two components, a transient (oscillatory) com-
132 ponent and a residual (build-up) component. The total soil response can thus be expressed as
133 follows:

$$b = \tilde{b} + \bar{b}, \quad \text{where } \bar{b} = \frac{1}{T} \int b dt \quad (11)$$

134 where T is the wave period, b denotes the the wave-induced soil response variables (includ-
135 ing soil displacements, stresses and pore pressures), \tilde{b} represents the oscillatory component,
136 and \bar{b} represents the residual component. In the following sections, both components will be
137 considered.

138 *Oscillatory soil response*

139 In this study, a saturated porous seabed is assumed to be hydraulically isotropic with the
140 same permeability K in all directions. With these assumptions, the conservation of mass of
141 pore fluid yields the following:

$$\nabla^2 \tilde{p} - \frac{\gamma_w n_s \beta_s}{K} \frac{\partial \tilde{p}_s}{\partial t} = \frac{\gamma_w}{K} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{\partial \tilde{u}_s}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tilde{w}_s}{\partial z} \right), \quad (12)$$

142 where \tilde{p} is the wave-induced oscillatory pore pressure, n_x is the soil porosity, γ_w is the unit
143 weight of water in the pore, and β_s is the compressibility of the pore fluid, which is defined as

144 follows:

$$\beta_s = \frac{1}{K_w} + \frac{1-S}{P_{w0}} \quad (13)$$

145 where K_w is the true modulus of elasticity of water (taken as 2×10^9 N/m²), P_{w0} is the absolute
146 water pressure, and S is the degree of saturation.

147 The wave-induced oscillatory soil response is obtained by solving equations (9), (10) and
148 (12) with the appropriate boundary conditions. At the seabed surface ($z = 0$), the boundary
149 conditions are as follows:

$$\tilde{p}_s(x, 0; t) = P_b(x, t), \quad \tilde{\tau}_s(x, 0; t) = \tau_f(x, t), \quad \tilde{\sigma}'_{sz} = 0, \quad (14)$$

150 where p_b is the dynamic wave pressure and τ_f is the wave-induced bottom shear stresses at the
151 seabed surface.

152 At impermeable seabed bottom ($z = -h$), the boundary conditions are expressed as follows:

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{p}_s}{\partial z} = 0 = \tilde{u}_s = 0 = \tilde{w}_s. \quad (15)$$

153 *Residual soil response: Existing 1-D model*

154 By adopting the mechanism of wave-induced residual pore pressure accumulation proposed
155 by Seed and Rahman (Seed and Rahman 1978), several analytical approximations and numer-
156 ical models have been developed (Sumer and Fredsøe 2002; Jeng 2013). All of them are one-
157 dimensional 1-D models based on empirical data of pore pressure accumulation and apply to
158 elastic soil behavior using the following governing equation:

$$\frac{\partial \bar{p}_s^*}{\partial t} = c_v^* \frac{\partial^2 \bar{p}_s^*}{\partial z^2} + f^*, \quad (16)$$

159 where \bar{p}_s^* denotes the wave-induced residual pore pressure using a 1-D model and c_v^* is the

160 coefficient of consolidation, which is defined as follows:

$$c_v^* = \frac{GK}{\gamma_w} \frac{2(1-\mu)}{(1-2\mu) + (2-2\mu)nG\beta_s}. \quad (17)$$

161 In equation (16), the source term (f^*) is expressed as follows (Seed and Rahman 1978;
162 Sumer and Fredsøe 2002; Jeng 2013):

$$f^* = \frac{\partial u_g}{\partial t} = \frac{\sigma'_0}{T} \left[\frac{|\tilde{\tau}_{max}|}{\alpha_r \sigma'_0} \right]^{-\frac{1}{\beta_r}}, \quad (18)$$

163 where u_g is the generation of pore pressure (Seed and Rahman 1978), $|\tilde{\tau}_{max}|$ is the maximum
164 amplitude of the oscillatory shear stress, obtained from the solution of the Biot equations (Hsu
165 and Jeng 1994), and α_r and β_r are obtained by the large-scale simple shear test data correspond-
166 ing to the relative density (D_r) of the soil as proposed by de Alba et al. (1976). The relative
167 density, D_r , is defined as follows:

$$D_r = \frac{e_{max} - e}{e_{max} - e_{min}}, \quad (19)$$

168 where e is the void ratio, and e_{max} and e_{min} are the maximum and minimum void ratios, re-
169 spectively. The coefficients α_r and β_r in equation (18) are defined from the following empirical
170 expressions (Sumer et al. 2012):

$$\alpha_r = 0.34D_r + 0.084, \quad \beta_r = 0.37D_r - 0.46. \quad (20)$$

171 The quantity σ'_0 in equation (18) is the initial effective stress and is expressed as follows:

$$\sigma'_0 = \frac{1 + 2K_0}{3} \gamma' z, \quad (21)$$

172 where K_0 is the coefficient of lateral earth pressure, and γ' is the submerged specific weight of
173 the soil.

174 The above 1-D model for the wave-induced residual pore pressure can be solved with the

175 initial boundary condition, $\bar{p}_s^*(z, 0) = 0$ (Sumer and Fredsøe 2002; Jeng 2013).

176 *Residual soil response: New 2-D model*

177 In this study, the above 1-D model is re-derived to create a two-dimensional (2-D) as fol-
178 lows:

$$\frac{\partial \bar{p}}{\partial t} = c_v \left(\frac{\partial^2 \bar{p}}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \bar{p}}{\partial z^2} \right) + f(x, z, t). \quad (22)$$

179 where c_v is the coefficient of consolidation based on the plain-strain, which is defined as follows:

$$c_v = \frac{GK}{\gamma_w(1 - 2\mu)}. \quad (23)$$

180 The source term ($f(x, z, t)$) for the new model is defined as follows:

$$f(t) = \frac{\partial u_g}{\partial t} = \frac{\sigma'_0}{T} \left[\frac{|\tilde{\tau}_{ins}(x, z, t)|}{\alpha_r \sigma'_0} \right]^{-\frac{1}{\beta_r}}, \quad (24)$$

181 where $\tilde{\tau}_{ins}(x, z, t)$ is the phase-resolved oscillatory shear stress.

182 To solve the 2-D governing equation (22) with the new source term, appropriate boundary
183 conditions are applied, i.e., (a) at the seabed surface ($z = 0$), the residual pore pressure is
184 assumed to be zero ($\bar{p}=0$); (b) at the bottom of the porous seabed with finite thickness ($z = -h$),
185 $\frac{\partial \bar{p}_s}{\partial z} = 0$ at $z = -h$); and (c) lateral boundary conditions are assumed to be zero flux. The seabed
186 model is developed using the COMSOL Multiphysics environment (COMSOL 2010) with the
187 dynamic wave pressures obtained from the wave model (COBRAS).

188 This model reflects the effects of instant oscillatory shear stresses on the pore pressure build-
189 up, which will become a time-dependent function, However, the present model doesn't consid-
190 ers the effects of residual pore pressures on the evolutions of oscillatory shear stresses and shear
191 strains. This is the limitation of the model.

192 **Integration of wave and seabed models**

193 The flow field, including the non-linear water elevation, the velocity field and the wave
194 pressures, are determined from COBRAS. Then we extract the wave pressure along seabed
195 surface from the wave model. This wave pressure is imposed as the boundary condition at the
196 seabed surface of the seabed model. The oscillatory seabed response, including pore water
197 pressure, soil displacement and effective shear stress, is found by solving the Biot consolidation
198 equations using a finite element method. The oscillatory shear stresses are included in the
199 source term and the residual soil response are determined using equation (22).

200 COBRAS, used as the wave model, has the ability to predict non-linear waves propagating
201 over a sloping seabed (including tsunamis and breaking waves) and the interactions between
202 waves and marine structures, such as breakwaters and pipelines. Even though we only present
203 the results for the case of progressive waves and standing waves, the VARANS model (CO-
204 BRAS) is integrated with the seabed model such that the entire model. This study is part of the
205 long-term development of the numerical model for fluid-soil-structure interactions, in which the
206 structures will be included in the next project.

207 **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

208 **Validation of the present model**

209 To validate the present model, we performed the following comparisons between the present
210 model and the previous analytical solutions and experimental data.

- 211 • Comparison with 1-D laboratory experiments (Liu and Jeng 2013) for the oscillatory
212 pore pressure under progressive waves.
- 213 • Comparison with wave flume tests (Sumer et al. 2012) for residual pore pressure under
214 progressive waves.
- 215 • Comparison with wave flume tests (Tsai and Lee 1995) for oscillatory pore pressure
216 under standing waves.

- 217 • Comparison with wave flume tests (Kirca et al. 2013) for residual pore pressure under
218 standing waves.

219 In the first validation, we compare the results of our oscillatory pore pressure with the previ-
220 ous analytical solutions (Hsu and Jeng 1994) and laboratory experiments (Liu and Jeng 2013).
221 Based on Biot's poro-elastic theory, Hsu and Jeng (1994) analytically investigated the wave-
222 induced soil response in an isotropic seabed of finite thickness. This analytical solution has
223 been widely used for the validation of wave-induced oscillatory pore pressure in a porous seabed
224 without structures in the literature (Sumer and Fredsøe 2002). Recently, Liu and Jeng (2013)
225 conducted a series of 1-D laboratory experiments to investigate the vertical profile of pore pres-
226 sure distributions in marine sediments. The 1-D facility used for their experiments was set up
227 with a vertical cylinder, a 1.8 m soil layer and 0.2 m of water above the deposit. This set up
228 is an improvement on the one originally designed by Zen and Yamazaki (1990). Unlike Zen
229 and Yamazaki (1990), an additional static load was applied on the dynamic load. This allows
230 the facility to simulate the case of large waves, better simulating the natural ocean environment
231 (Liu and Jeng 2013). The numerical results for the maximum vertical oscillatory pore pressure
232 (\bar{p}/p_0) versus relative soil depth (z/h) are shown in Figure 2. As shown in the figure, the present
233 model agrees overall with both the analytical solution and the experimental data. In the com-
234 parison, we also include the comparisons between the present model and previous analytical
235 solution for effective normal stresses and shear stresses. Overall, the present model also agrees
236 with the previous analytical solution (Hsu and Jeng 1994).

237 Sumer et al. (2012) conducted an experimental study for the pore pressure accumulation and
238 liquefaction in marine soils under progressive waves. The experimental data reported in Sumer
239 et al. (2012) are used here to further verify the residual component of the present numerical
240 model. Both the numerical results from the "2-D instant model", the "2-D maximum model"
241 and the 1-D analytical solutions developed by Sumer et al. (2012), are included in this compari-
242 son. Note that, the model in which the maximum shear stress over the wave period in the source
243 term are used to simulate the pore pressure accumulation is called the "2-D maximum model".

244 The maximum shear stress in the “2-D maximum model” is actually a 1-D shear stress because
245 it is independent of the x - direction, similar to the previous research (Sumer and Fredsøe 2002;
246 Jeng 2013). The model in which the phase-resolved oscillatory shear stress is used as the source
247 of pore pressure accumulation is called the “2-D instant model”. The input data are tabulated
248 in Table 1 and the numerical comparisons are presented in Figure 3. As shown in the figure,
249 there are not significant differences for the wave-induced pore pressure accumulation between
250 the “2-D maximum model” and the 1D model (Sumer et al. 2012). For the case in which the
251 phase-resolved shear stresses over the wave period are used as the source of pore pressure ac-
252 cumulation (“2-D instant model”), the residual pore pressures are relatively small during the
253 entire build-up process. However, the overall trend of the residual pore pressure of the present
254 “2-D instant model” captures the experimental data well. This comparison validates our model
255 and demonstrates the significant improvement of the prediction of the wave-induced residual
256 pore pressures in marine sediments with the new definition of the source term applied in our
257 2-D model.

258 In the third comparison, we compare the present results with the previous wave flume tests
259 (Tsai and Lee 1995) for standing wave-induced oscillatory pore pressures in a porous seabed.
260 In the experiments, the wave period (T) = 1.5 sec, the wave height (H) = 5.1 cm, the water
261 depth (d) = 0.45 m, the soil permeability (K) = 1.2×10^{-4} m/s, the porosity (n_e) = 0.38, the
262 shear modulus (G) = 2.64×10^7 N/m², the seabed thickness (h) = 0.5 m, Poisson’s ratio (μ_s) =
263 0.29, and the degree of saturation (S) = 0.98. As shown in Figure 4, overall the predictions of
264 the model agree well with the experimental data.

265 In the fourth validation, we compared the model with the recent experimental data (Kirca
266 et al. 2013) for the standing wave-induced residual pore pressure. The soil conditions for the
267 experiments were the same as the second validation (Sumer et al. 2012) and the wave period (T)
268 = 1.09 s, the wave height (H) = 10.2 cm and the water depth (d) = 0.3 m. As shown in Figure
269 5, overall the model catches the trend of the experimental data for the standing wave-induced
270 residual pore pressures.

271 In Kirca et al. (2013) experiments, the soil pit was divided into two by sealed additional
272 plate. However, in the present numerical model, the configuration of the soil is slightly different
273 from the experiments. This is the reason why the prediction of pore pressures by the model can
274 only catch the trend, compared with the experimental results. Furthermore, in the model, the
275 wave reflection was generated by a vertical wall placed at the end of the computing domain.
276 Furthermore, the vertical wall was extended downward into the seabed. This doesn't allow the
277 pressure flux go through.

278 Note that the above validations are based on works available in the literature. To the au-
279 thors' best knowledge, the experiments conducted by Kirca et al. (2013) was the only one
280 provided synchronized time series of residual pore pressure measured at different location in
281 the x -direction. This model further confirms with their experimental results (Kirca et al. 2013)

282 **Effect of nonlinear component of wave loading**

283 The flow field in most of the previous studies (Sumer and Fredsøe 2002; Jeng 2013) are lim-
284 ited to analytical linear progressive wave solutions. In real ocean environments, ocean waves,
285 especially in the shallow water zone, are always characterized as non-linear. Therefore, it is
286 necessary to examine the effect of the nonlinear component of the wave loading in the seabed
287 response, including both the oscillatory pore pressure and the residual pore pressure. With the
288 input parameters shown in Table 2, the distributions of the wave-induced pore pressure under
289 different components of wave loading versus wave cycle are shown in Figure 6(a). The total
290 pore pressure $\tilde{p} + \bar{p}$ (blue lines) and residual pore pressure \bar{p} (red lines) are illustrated in the
291 figure. As shown in the figure, the model simulates the phenomenon of wave-induced residual
292 pore pressure. The model results show that from $t = 0$, when the residual pore pressure is equal
293 to zero, the peak value of the oscillatory pore pressure for a case under a nonlinear wave load-
294 ing is higher than that for the case under a linear wave loads. This is the reason why the pore
295 pressure for a case under a nonlinear wave loading accumulates. The regions between the two
296 dashed lines in Figures 6(a) and 6(b) were selected for enlargement in Figure 6(c), and a more
297 definite comparison of the residual pore pressure between these two components of wave loads

298 are shown in Figure 6(d). As shown in the figure, the pore pressure accumulates faster for the
299 case under a nonlinear wave loading.

300 **Liquefaction zone with the present 2-D model**

301 Although residual liquefaction caused by progressive waves has been extensively investi-
302 gated, studies of standing wave-induced liquefaction are relatively rare. Sassa and Sekiguchi
303 (1999) carried out a series of centrifuge wave tests to investigate seabed liquefaction under
304 standing waves, in which the antinode of the standing wave is formed in the middle of their sed-
305 iment pit. In this study, the standing waves are obtained in front of an impervious vertical wall
306 by solving the VARANS equations with a finite difference method. The turbulence fluctuations
307 between the wave and the structure are simulated using the volume-averaged $k - \epsilon$ model. The
308 wave parameters are shown in Table 2. In this example, the antinode of the standing wave is
309 formed in the middle of the simulation domain of the integrated model, which is located at x
310 $= 744$ m with wavelength of approximately 112 m. The standing wave is used to analyze of the
311 development of the liquefaction zone and the pore pressure accumulation.

312 It is well-known that liquefaction occurs when the excess pore pressure reaches the initial
313 effective stress, i.e., $\bar{p}_s = \sigma'_0$. The source term for the residual pore pressure generation is 2-D
314 and time-dependent function in the present model. This feature directly affects the pattern of
315 the liquefaction zone. Using the input data in Table 2, Figure 7(a) shows the resulting variations
316 of wave-induced residual liquefaction zones versus the wave cycle (t/T) for various types of
317 wave loads. As shown in the figure, the liquefaction zone under progressive waves occurs as
318 a 2-D pattern during the first wave period after liquefaction ($t/T = 90$ in this example). The
319 reason there is a 2-D liquefaction zone in the first liquefaction wave period may be from the 2-D
320 phase-resolved shear stress used as the source of the pore pressure. The region where the 2-D
321 pattern occurs is related to the initial incidence of the wave phases. As the progressive wave
322 loading continues, the nature of the liquefaction zone changes from 2-D pattern to 1-D pattern
323 after one wave period. The 1-D pattern travels with the wave and reaches a constant value after
324 several wave cycles.

325 For the case of the standing waves, as shown in Figure 7(b), the liquefaction zone will
326 occur initially in the region where the shear strains are most significant, then this liquefied zone
327 extends laterally and vertically. Finally even the soil at the antinode section will be liquefied
328 after certain wave cycles. This phenomenon coincides well with what has been discussed by
329 Sassa and Sekiguchi (2001).

330 In addition to the development of liquefaction zone, it is necessary to investigate the resid-
331 ual pore pressure along x -direction with the present model. The distributions of residual pore
332 pressure along x -direction at three typical locations under different types of wave loads esti-
333 mated by the 2-D model are presented in Figures 7(c) & 7(d). The model results show that, there
334 are only minor differences in the pore pressure accumulation along x -direction under the effect
335 of progressive waves. Because the liquefaction occurs at $t/T = 90$ in this example, a more
336 definitive comparison of pore pressure accumulation along the x -direction between $t/T = 80$
337 and $t/T = 100$ is shown in Figure 7(e). The results show that the pore pressure in the soil during
338 the initial 2-D liquefaction pattern, i.e., at $(x, z) = (710, -0.5)$ & $(x, z) = (770, -0.5)$, accumulate
339 faster compared with that at location $(x, z) = (740, -0.5)$. This phenomenon is likely because the
340 difference between the residual pore pressure along x -direction under progressive waves may
341 be related to the difference of the shear strains along the x -direction induced by the initial in-
342 cidence of the wave phase. After which, every x section will experience the same progressive
343 wave loading as the wave progresses; therefore, after a long loading time, the difference in pore
344 pressure during the first wave cycle can be neglected. However, a strong x -dependence is
345 observed for the case of the standing waves, where the pore pressure can accumulate to a much
346 larger value in the location where the wave-induced shear strains are the highest, compared with
347 the shear strain in the antinode section.

348 **Progressive liquefaction**

349 Sassa et al. (2001) developed an elasto-plastic constitutive model for the wave-induced
350 liquefaction in sand beds with infinite thickness in which the source term was related to the
351 rate of plastic volumetric deformation $\partial \epsilon^p / \partial t$, while the stress ratio τ / σ'_{z0} was still estimated

352 by the poro-elastic solutions considering the presence of liquefaction front. The maximum
353 liquefaction depth (z_L) increases as time increases, approaching a constant. This behavior is
354 similar to the behavior of the more sophisticated model previously developed for progressive
355 liquefaction (Sassa et al. 2001). The comparison of the distribution of maximum liquefaction
356 depths (z_L) versus time (t) between Sassa's model (Sassa et al. 2001) and the present 2-D
357 instant model are presented in Figure 8. The input data for this comparison are shown in Table
358 3. The results in Figure 8 show that the maximum liquefaction depth gradually increases and
359 approaches a constant with sufficient time. Although there is a difference in the growth trends
360 between Sassa's model and the present model, the final liquefaction depth predicted by the
361 present instant model matches fairly well with the results predicted by Sassa's elasto-plastic
362 model (Sassa et al. 2001). The stress axes rotation are neglected in the present poro-elastic
363 model as a first approximation, which have been proven to be particularly important in the
364 evaluation of the wave-induced residual liquefaction (Sassa and Sekiguchi 2001). This example
365 is only used to demonstrate that the present 2-D model is capable in the first-hand prediction of
366 the development of progressive liquefaction. For a detailed investigation, the reader still need
367 to refer to Sassa et al. (2001) model.

368 *Effects of the wave characteristics on the progression of the liquefaction depth*

369 It is well-known that wave characteristics play an important role in the evaluation of the
370 wave-induced seabed response (Jeng 2013). Among these, the water depth, the wave period
371 and the wave height are three key wave parameters considered in the present study. Figure 9(a)
372 illustrates the effect of the wave height on the progression of the liquefaction depth in time. As
373 shown in the figure, the maximum liquefaction depth increases faster and accumulate to a larger
374 value under larger wave loadings.

375 In general, a decrease in water depth (d) results in a decrease in the wave length (L). When
376 the wave height (H) is the same, a decrease in the wavelength will result in a large wave steep-
377 ness (H/L) and hence a wave that is closer to breaking, i.e., the large wave condition. Therefore,
378 a decrease of the value (d) from 20 m to 18 m causes the final liquefaction depth to more than

379 halve, as shown by the data in Figure 9(b).

380 Basically, wave length increases as the wave period increases. The shear strains from the
381 pressure also increase as the wave length increases. As a result, the pore pressure should ac-
382 cumulate to a large value. However, wave flume tests have shown (Sumer et al. 1999; Sumer
383 et al. 2012) that the pore pressure accumulation is not only related to the shear stress ratio
384 ($\tau\sigma'_z$), but also to the period of the cyclic loadings. Therefore, the effect of the wave period on
385 the wave-induced pore pressure accumulation is also examined. As shown in Figure 9(c), the
386 liquefaction depth accumulates more readily in the case with a small wave period. This occurs
387 because the pore pressure and the energy have less time to drain out in the short wave period.

388 Based on the results presented in Figure 9, it can be concluded that the liquefaction depth
389 increases more easily to accumulate under conditions of: (1) larger amplitude waves, (2) small
390 wave periods and (3) shallow water.

391 *Effects of the soil properties on the progression of the liquefaction depth*

392 In addition to the wave parameters, soil properties are also important for the wave-induced
393 pore pressure in marine sediments (Sumer and Fredsøe 2002; Jeng 2013). The buildup empirical
394 coefficient α_r and β_r are related to the relative density (D_r), while the dissipation rate of the pore
395 pressure are related to the soil permeability (K). Thus, we further examined the effects of K
396 (soil permeability) and D_r (relative density) on the build-up pattern. The seabed characteristics
397 are Poisson's ratio $\mu = 0.35$, the degree of saturation $S_r = 1$, and the seabed porosity $n = 0.425$.
398 Figures 9(d) and 9(e) illustrates the time histories of the progression of the liquefaction depth
399 in the soil with different permeability (K) and relative density (D_r). As shown in Figures 9(d)
400 and 9(e), soils with a low permeability and low relative density increase liquefaction deeper
401 because a high permeability results in a high dissipation rate, which makes the pore pressure
402 more difficult to accumulate. In addition, a decrease in the value of D_r from 0.4 to 0.3 will
403 cause the final liquefaction depth to more than halve, and less time for the soil with a higher
404 permeability to reach its final liquefaction depth.

405 CONCLUSIONS

406 In this study, with the source term is defined as 2-D and time-dependent function, a new
407 2-D model for pore pressure accumulation in marine sediment is proposed. The following
408 conclusions are based on the numerical results:

- 409 1. Both the oscillatory component and the residual mechanism are validated against exper-
410 imental data (Sumer et al. 2012; Liu and Jeng 2013). The comparison indicates that the
411 present “2-D instant model” is reliable for the prediction of the wave-induced residual
412 pore pressures in marine sediments with the new definition of the source term.
- 413 2. The residual pore pressure in the soil under nonlinear components of wave loads is
414 more likely to accumulate to a large value compared with that under linear wave loads,
415 because the magnitude of wave-induced shear strains for the case under nonlinear com-
416 ponents of wave loads is larger than that under linear wave loads.
- 417 3. In the wave field numerical modelling, standing waves were obtained in front of a im-
418 permeable seawall, in which the turbulence fluctuations induced by the wave-structure
419 interaction are simulated using the volume-averaged $k - \epsilon$ model. The antinode of the
420 standing wave in the integrated model is formed in the middle of the simulation domain.
- 421 4. For the case of progressive wave loads, the liquefaction zone occurs as 2-D pattern
422 during the first liquefaction wave period ($t/T = 90$ in the example). The region of
423 this initial 2-D liquefaction zone is related to the initial incidence of the wave phase.
424 The 2-D pattern changes from 2-D to 1-D in one wave period. This 1-D pattern travels
425 progressively with the wave, and reach a constant value after several wave cycles. For
426 the case of standing wave loads, a 2-D liquefaction zone will occur first in the region
427 where the shear strains are highest. The 2-D zone then expands laterally and vertically
428 to neighbouring points. The soil in the antinode section will eventually undergoing
429 liquefies.
- 430 5. There is no significant difference in the pore pressure accumulation in the x - direction
431 for the case under progressive wave loads. However, there is a strong x - dependence in

432 pore pressure accumulation for the case of standing wave loads. It takes a much longer
433 time for the soil in the antinode section to liquefy compared to the soil in other sections.
434 6. It is found that there is significant difference of the progress of liquefaction depth versus
435 time between the present model and Sassa's model (Sassa et al. 2001); however, the
436 final liquefaction depths are nearly the same. This indicates that our present 2-D elastic
437 model is able to predict the maximum progressive liquefaction depth. Parametric studies
438 indicate that, the seabed with lower permeability and relative density under a higher
439 energy wave with a short wave period (i.e., larger wave, short wave period, shallow
440 water) is more likely to be liquefied.

441 Note that this paper presented a new 2-D model for the wave-induced accumulation of por
442 pressures in marine sediment. This model can be further applied to other cases with marine
443 infrastructures such as offshore pipelines (Zhao et al. 2014).

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TABLE 1. Soil properties and wave characteristics used in the validations.

Seabed characteristics	Value
Soil porosity (n_e)	0.51
Poisson's ratio (μ)	0.29
Shear modulus (G)	1.92×10^6 (N/m ²)
Soil permeability (K)	1.5×10^{-5} (m/s)
Coefficient of lateral earth pressure (K_0)	0.42
Submerged specific weight of soil (γ')	8.14 (kN/m ³)
Degree of saturation (S)	1
Relative density (D_r)	0.28
Thickness (h)	0.4 (m)
Wave characteristics	Value
Wave period (T)	1.6 (s)
Wave height (H)	0.18 (m)
Water depth (d)	0.55 (m)

TABLE 2. Input data for numerical examples.

Seabed characteristics	Value
Soil porosity (n_e)	0.425
Poisson's ratio (μ)	0.35
Shear modulus (G)	5×10^6 (N/m ²)
Soil permeability (K)	10^{-4} (m/s)
Coefficient of lateral earth pressure (K_0)	0.41
Submerged specific weight of soil (γ')	10.73 (kN/m ³)
Degree of saturation (S)	1
Relative density (D_r)	0.2
Thickness (h)	50 (m)
Wave characteristics	Value
Wave period (T)	10 (s)
Wave height (H)	5 (m)
Water depth (d)	16 (m)

TABLE 3. Soil and wave characteristics for verification with Sassa's model.

Seabed characteristics	Value
Soil porosity (n_e)	0.425
Poisson's ratio (μ)	0.35
Shear modulus (G)	5×10^6 (N/m ²)
Soil permeability (K)	1.5×10^{-4} (m/s)
Coefficient of lateral earth pressure (K_0)	0.41
Submerged specific weight of soil (γ')	10.73 (kN/m ³)
Degree of saturation (S)	1
Relative density (D_r)	0.27
Wave characteristics	Value
Wave period (T)	10 (s)
Wave height (H)	6.5 (m)
Water depth (d)	20 (m)

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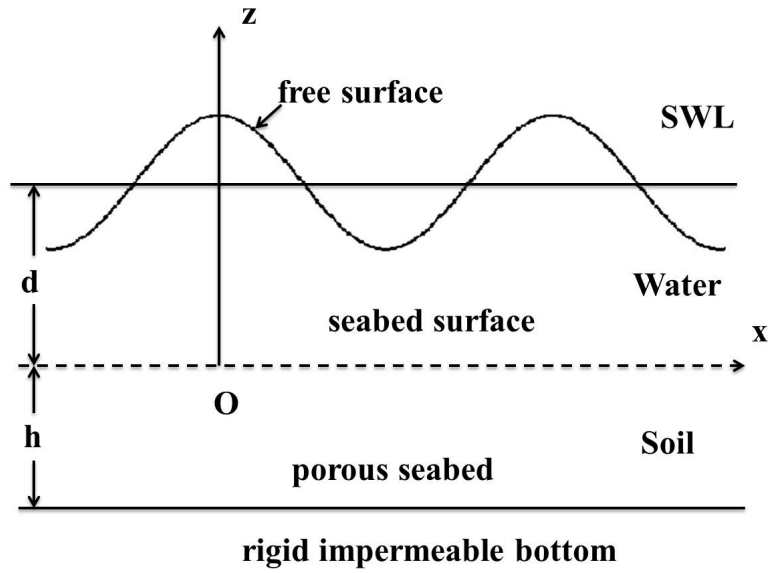


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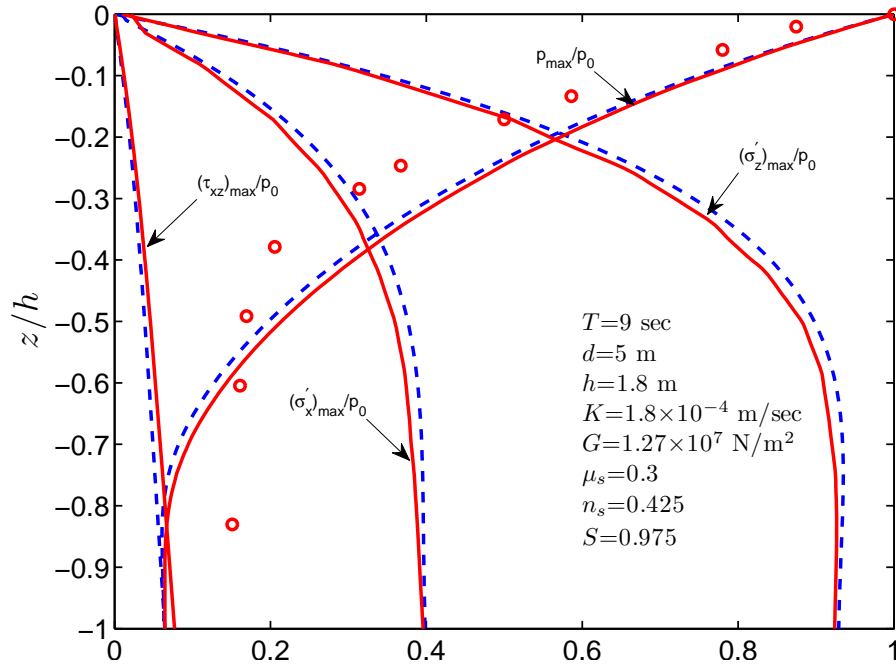


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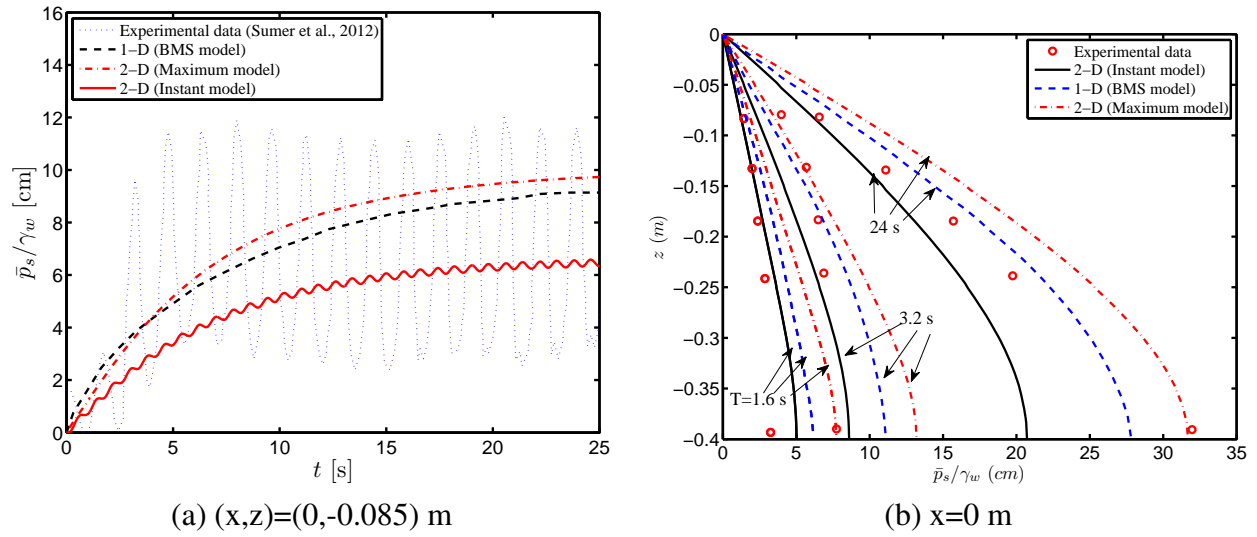


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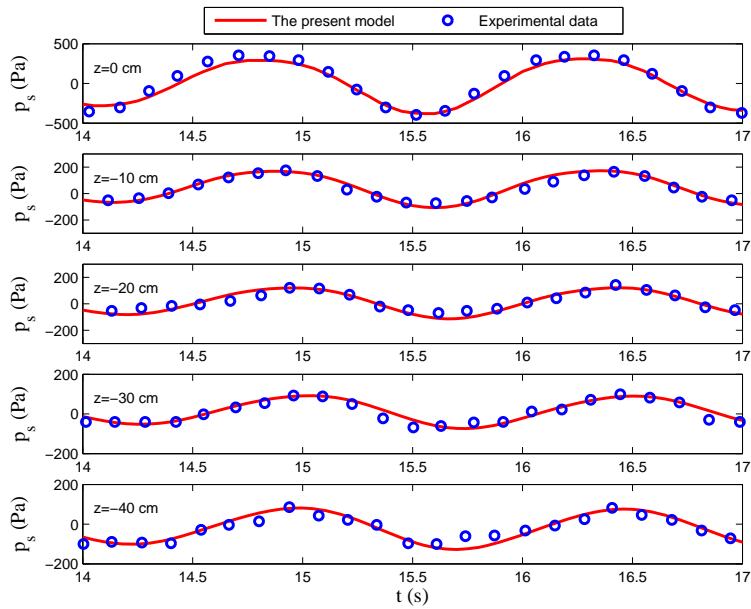
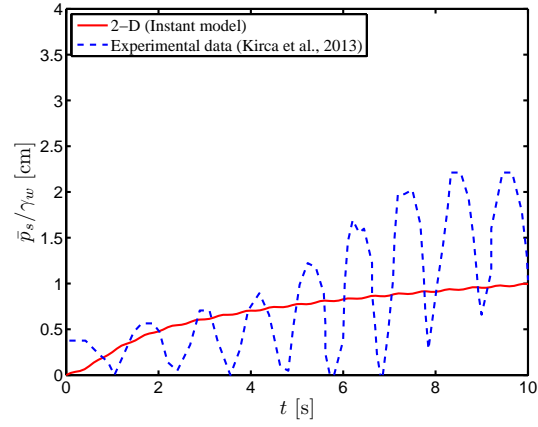
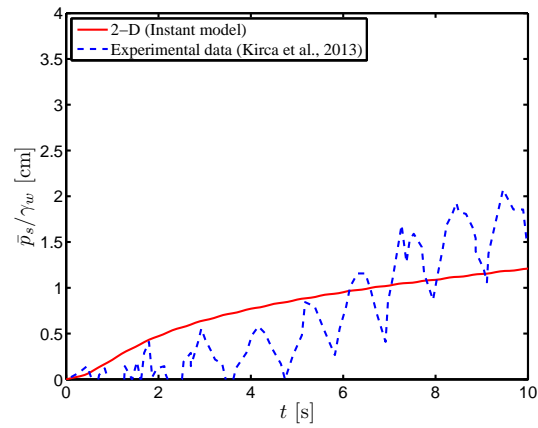


FIG. 4. The comparison of the standing wave induced oscillatory pore pressure at the nine points in the sand bed between the experimental data (Tsai and Lee, 1995) and the numerical results.



(a) $(x,z)=(0.585,-0.07)$ m



(b) $(x,z)=(0.585,-0.135)$ m

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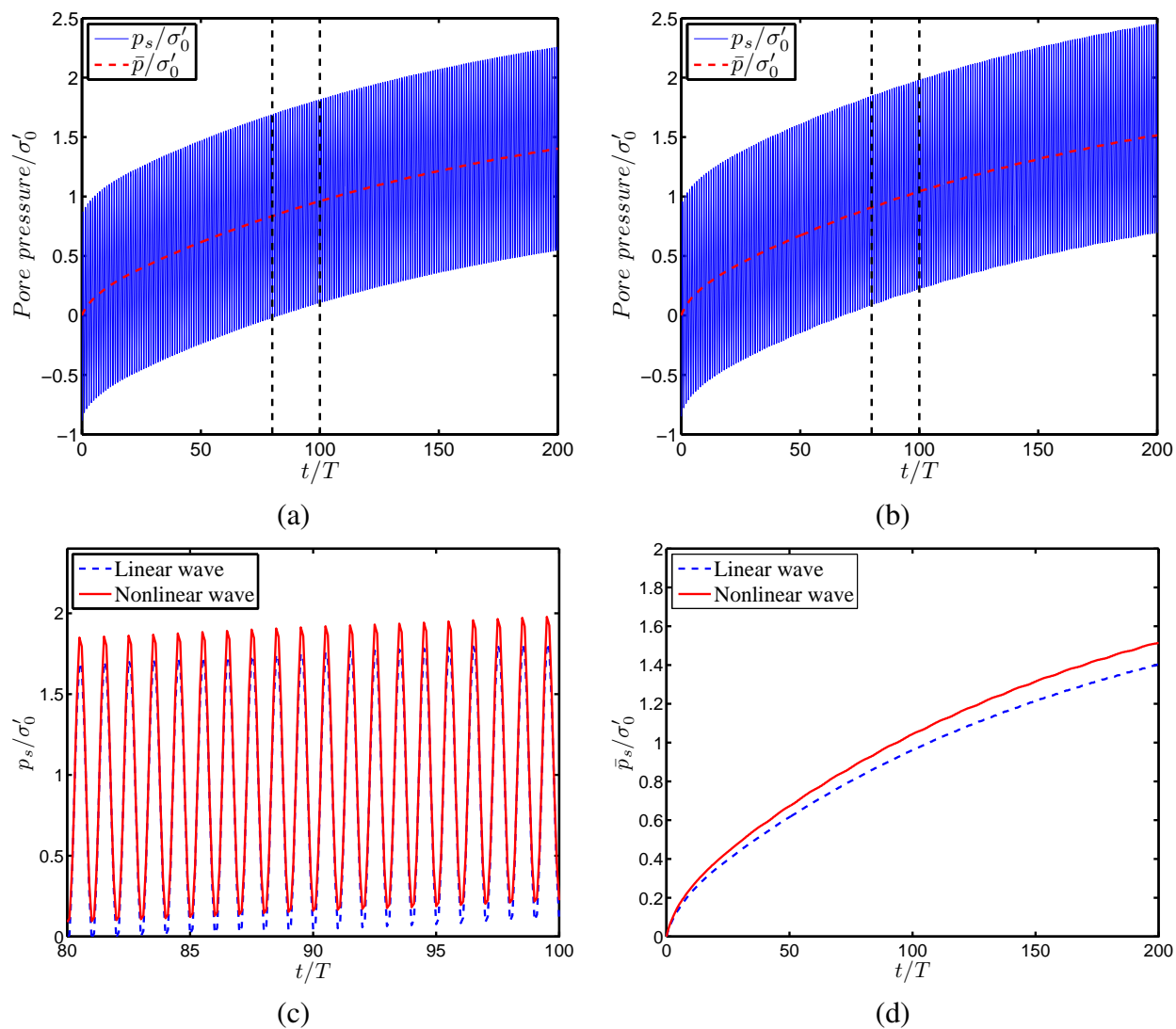
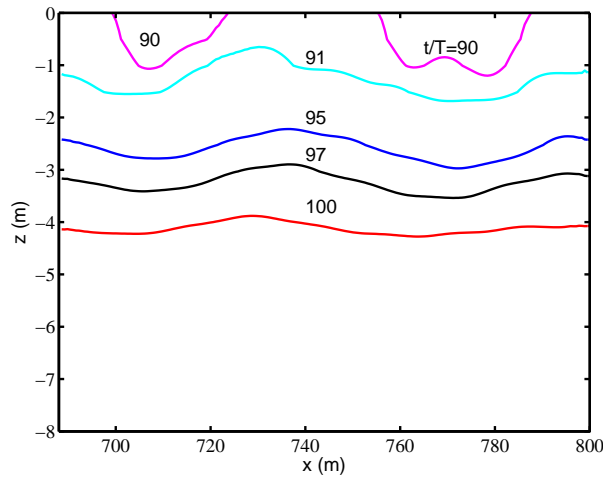
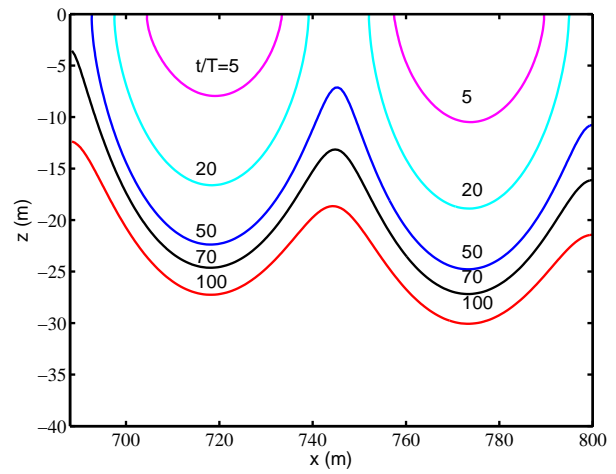


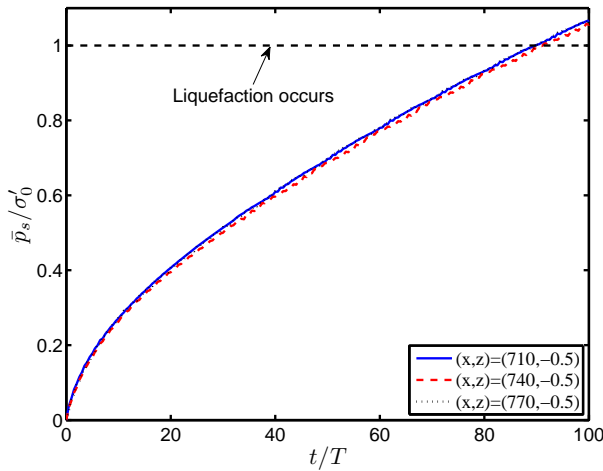
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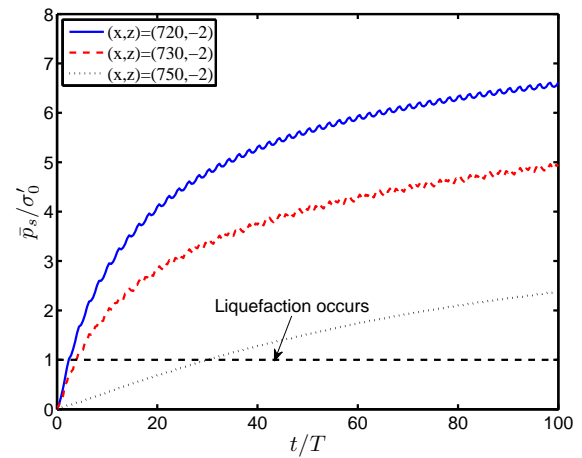
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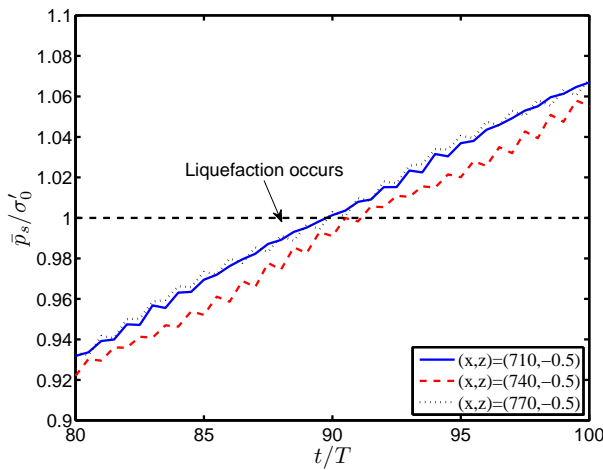
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(e) Enlarge of part (c)

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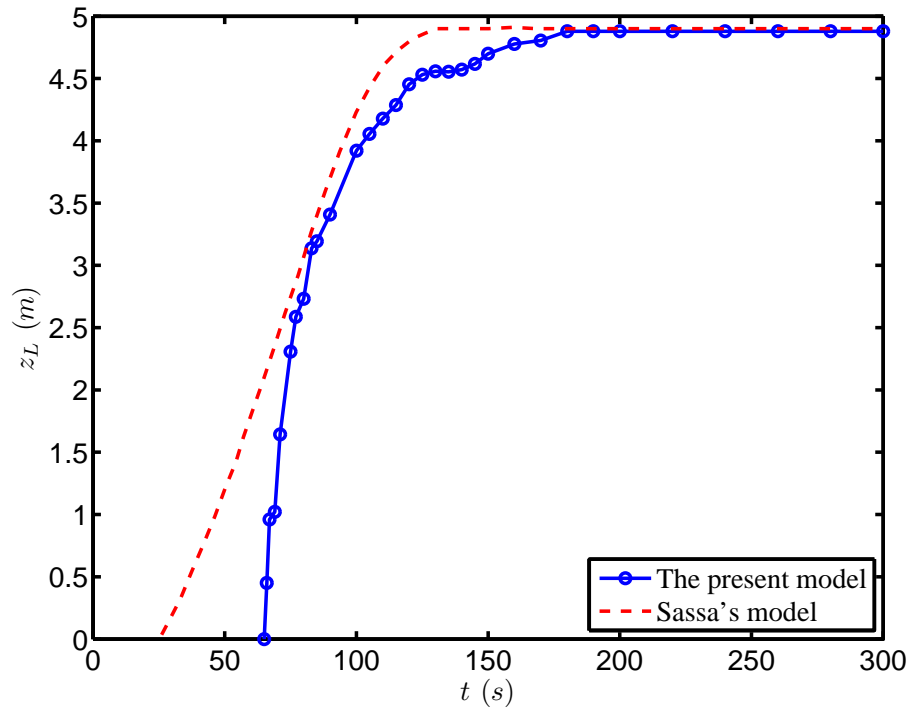
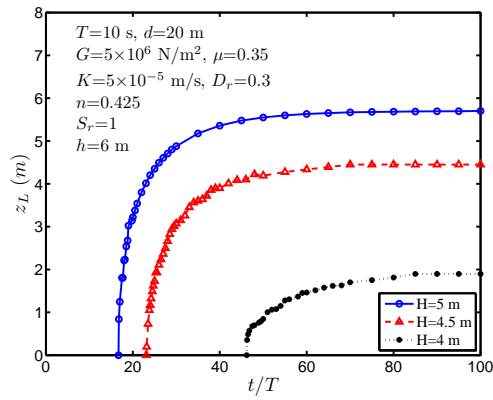
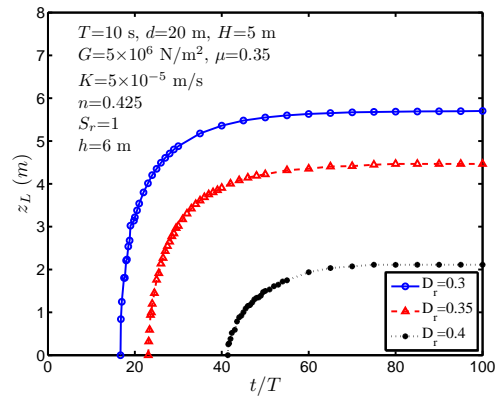


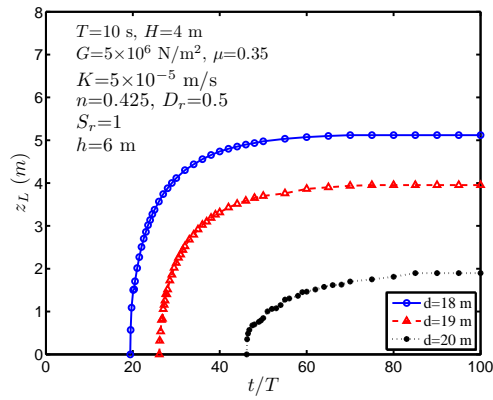
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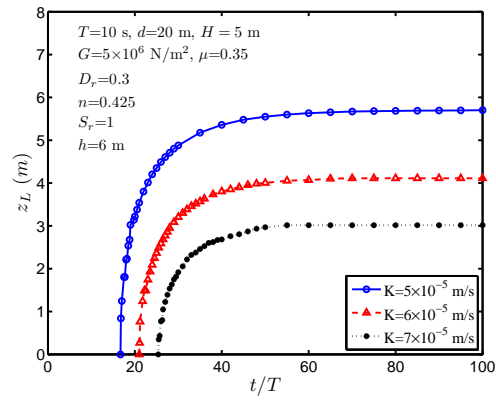
(a) wave height



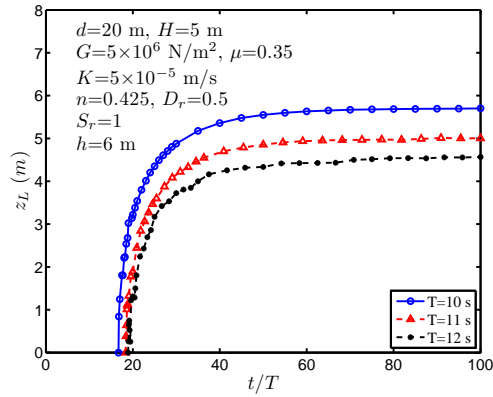
(d) relative density (D_r)



(b) water depth



(e) permeability (K)



(c) wave period

FIG. 9. Parametric studies for progress of wave-induced liquefied zone versus time for various (a)–(c) wave and (d)–(e) soil characteristics.