

Assessing Axial Capacities of Auger Cast Piles from Measuring While Drilling BDV31-977-125

GRIP Meeting

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Introduction

- The FDOT has developed and applied measuring while drilling (MWD) of drilled shafts to assess axial shaft capacity quality control.
 - Little River, Kanapaha, Overland, Selmon Expy, and CR-250
- The process involves monitoring the torque, crowd, penetration rate, and rotational speed in real time to obtain specific energy per 1" of penetration which is then correlated to measured shaft side shear from static load tests, rock strength (q_u), and SPT N values
- The developed specific energy-side shear correlation is subsequently used for quality assurance (shaft capacities) during the installation of production shafts
 - "qu vs. e" is established or verified on a site-to-site basis

Project Background

- Recently, the FDOT has allowed the use of auger cast (ACIP) piles for bridge piers at I-395 in Miami, West Palm-Boca Raton and Delray, as well as other sites
- Like drilled shafts, ACIP piles require QA/QC of their axial capacities during production pile installation
- ACIP Piles employ an auger bit to remove limestone similar to drilled shafts
→ It is believed MWD could be used for ACIP axial capacity QA/QC
 - Assess specific energy on at least a 1" scale on planned load tests
 - Establish correlation for ACIP Piles
- Established correlations could then be used as a new method of ACIP QA/QC for production piles
- Since a large amount of data is being collected, LRFD phi assessment of different design methods should be revisited and LRFD for standard design as well as MWD approach should be assessed

Project Objectives

- Establish side shear vs. MWD specific energy correlations on a number of sites using ISO compliant MWD on ACIP Pile installations for load tested piles
- Validate MWD correlations and developed QA/QC procedures on production piles at each of the sites
- Based on pile load tests and recovered field cores/laboratory strength testing, reassess LRFD phi factors for Auger Cast Piles in South Florida
- Use the MWD specific energy vs. pile side shear correlations from load tests to establish LRFD phi factors for future south Florida axial pile capacity QA/QC

Tasks and Deliverables

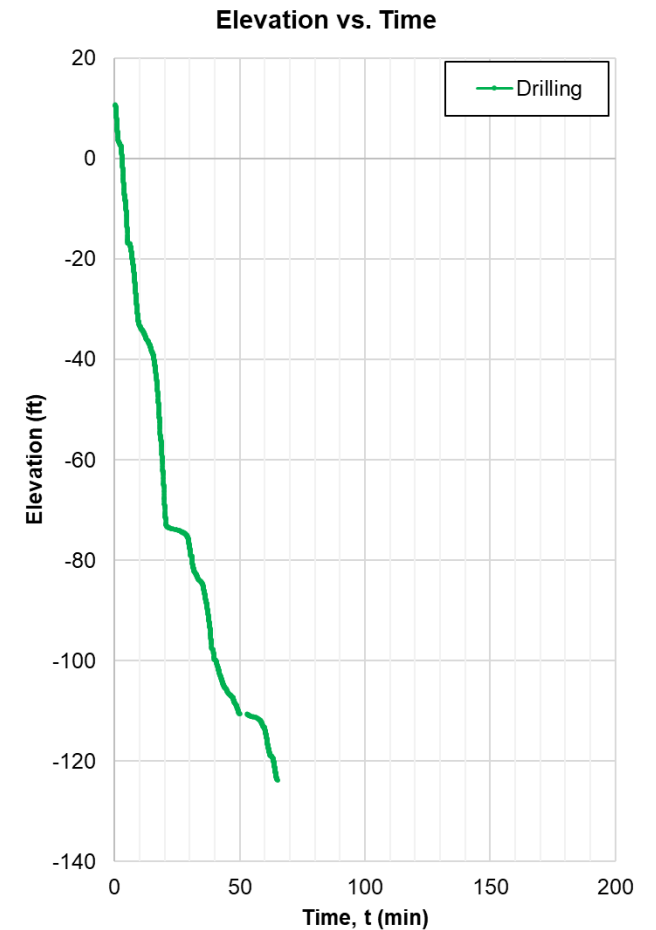
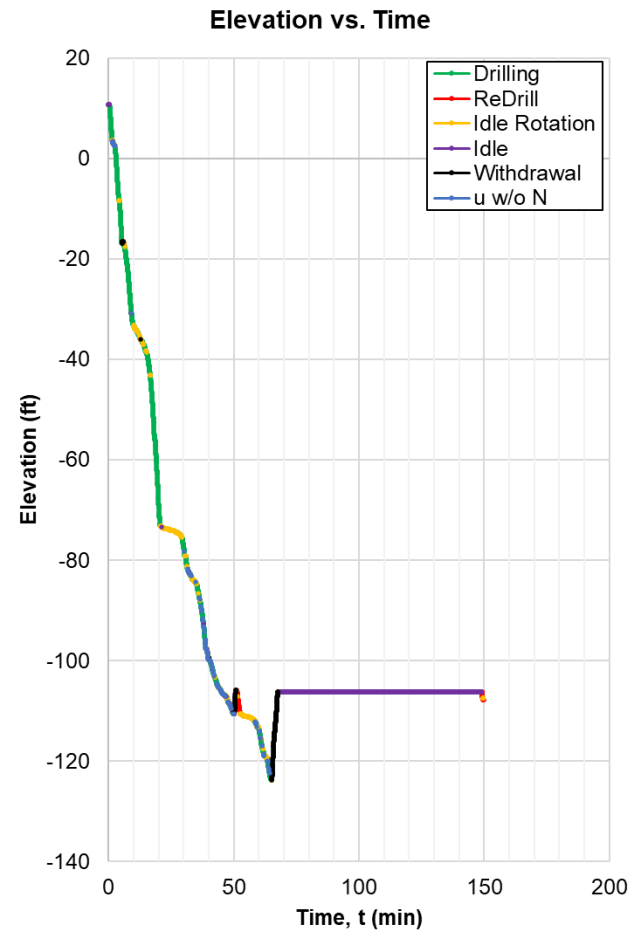
- Deliverable 1 - Establish MWD Data Reduction Criteria and Procedures for ACIP Pile Drill Rigs. (Task 1)
- Deliverable 2 - MWD Specific Energy vs. ACIP Pile Side Shear Relationships (Task 2)
- Deliverable 3 - MWD Correlation Validation for ACIP Production Pile QA/QC (Task 3)
- Deliverable 4 - LRFD Phi Assessment of FDOT Design Methods of ACIP Piles in South Florida (Task 4)
- Deliverable 5 - LRFD Phi Assessment of MWD Specific Energy for ACIP Pile Axial Capacity QA/QC (Task 5)
- Deliverable 6a - Draft Final (Task 6)
- Deliverable 6b - Closeout Meeting (Task 6)
- Deliverable 7 - Final Report (Task 7)

Task 1 – Establish MWD Data Reduction Criteria and Procedures for ACIP Drill Rigs

- The monitoring systems onboard the ACIP pile drill rigs, and the format in which the drilling parameters may be recorded and reported was unknown
 - Time or depth referenced?
- New raw data processing criteria and procedures were developed to produce a workable spreadsheet in which specific energy, rock strength, and shaft capacity may be assessed
- Processing the raw data required a program to be written in which the time-referenced-data is transformed into depth-referenced-data for compatibility with the specific energy equation
 - This increased the complexity of post processing due to the large number of time-referenced raw data points
 - The research effort first focused on properly reducing the raw data in a workable format prior to the assessment of MWD specific energy

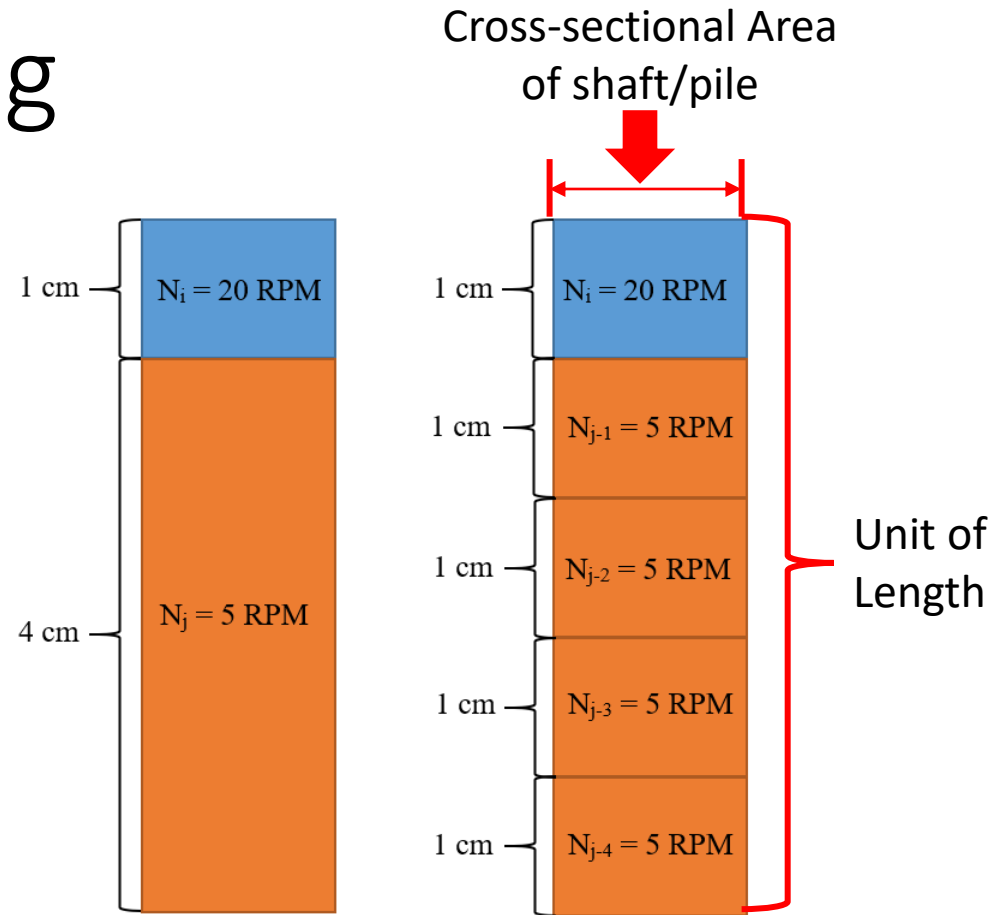
Establishing Valid Drilling Data

- The drilling operations can include 6 different types of drilling
 - **Drilling**
 - Penetration, rotation, torque, and crowd are applied simultaneously
 - **Withdrawal**
 - Auger is being withdrawn (moving upward not downward)
 - **Re-drill**
 - Re-drilling a segment that has been previously drilled (occurs after withdrawal)
 - **Idle Rotation**
 - Rotation is occurring without penetration
 - **Idle**
 - The auger is at rest
 - **u w/o N**
 - Penetration is occurring without rotation (possible void or depth sensor malfunction)
- Only **drilling** data is considered valid and used for specific energy and strength assessment
- Once the valid drilling data points have been established then proper averaging must take place



Proper Averaging

- In rock drilling, specific energy is defined as the energy required to remove/excavate a unit volume of rock
- In order to properly average specific energy over a specified length equal individual lengths of measure must be used
 - Length of shaft segment
 - Volume removed ($L_{\text{Shaft}} \times A_{\text{X-sect}}$)
- Must use weighted averaging
 - Proportional to the depth increment achieved
 - Cannot be achieved using the time-referenced measurements alone



Incorrect Averaging:

$$N_{avg} = \frac{N_i + N_j}{n} = \frac{20 \text{ RPM} + 5 \text{ RPM}}{2} = 12.5 \text{ RPM}$$

Correct Weighted Averaging:

$$N_{avg} = \frac{N_i + N_{j1} + N_{j2} + N_{j3} + N_{j4}}{n} = \frac{20 + 5 + 5 + 5 + 5}{5} = 8 \text{ RPM}$$

ACIP Analysis Program

- Easy to use and navigate
 - Used simple Microsoft Excel format
- Quickly assess layering within the pile
 - Can assess up to 30 layers within the pile at a time
- Quickly assess rock strengths and pile capacity
 - Automatically provides q_u , f_s , and capacity for the whole pile and within defined layers
- Capable of assessing time-referenced and depth-referenced data
- Quickly adjust analyses based on the drill rig used
- Track drilling operations and efficiency
 - Provides a pile summary report and plots drilling operations vs. time
- Compare multiple piles
 - Can load 10 piles into spreadsheet at a time for quick analyses of a pile group
 - Produces a data page that can be quickly dropped into GeoStat for further analyses

AME Pile Info

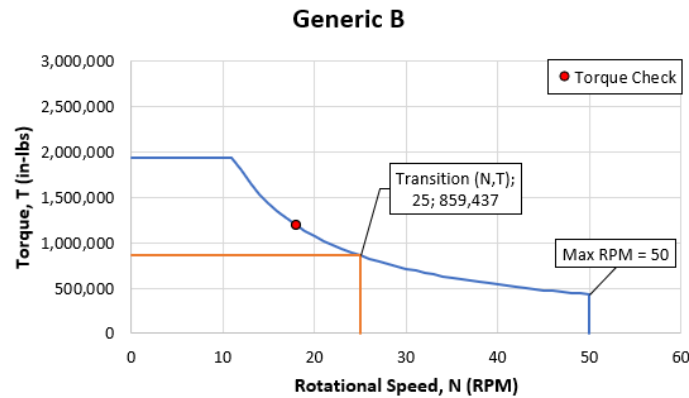
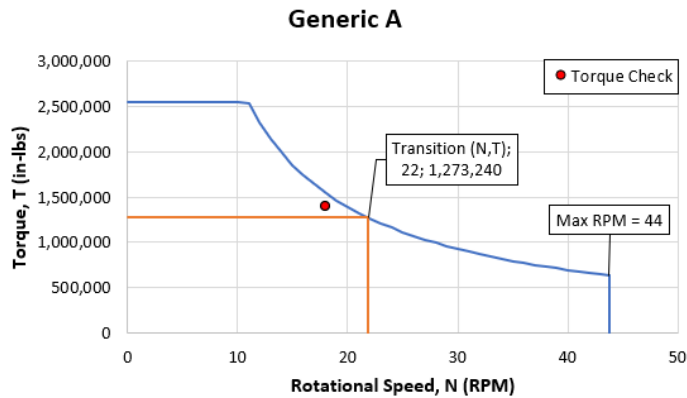
- Based on pile selected (discussed later) it will automatically import the data into the Pile Info tab
 - Can scroll through organized raw data for pile selected
- Pile info tab also allows depth referenced data to be dropped into the spreadsheet for analysis

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
1			Time	Duration (min)	Depth (ft)	Rotational Speed (RPM)	Penetration Rate (ft/min)	Torque Pressure (psi)	Crowd Pressure (psi)	
2	Input		3/25/2020 10:19:59 PM	0.00	0.00	0.0	0.00	132	-355	
3	Engineer		3/25/2020 10:20:00 PM	0.02	0.00	0.0	0.00	129	-369	
4	Michael Rodgers		3/25/2020 10:20:01 PM	0.03	0.00	0.0	0.00	114	-357	
5	Location		3/25/2020 10:20:02 PM	0.05	0.00	0.0	0.00	117	-367	
6	Miami, Florida		3/25/2020 10:20:03 PM	0.07	0.00	0.0	0.00	90	-373	
7	Project		3/25/2020 10:20:04 PM	0.08	0.00	0.0	0.00	127	-372	
8	ACIP MWD		3/25/2020 10:20:05 PM	0.10	0.00	0.0	0.00	134	-368	
9	Drill Bit Diameter (in)		3/25/2020 10:20:06 PM	0.12	0.00	0.0	0.00	116	-352	
10	30.0		3/25/2020 10:20:07 PM	0.13	0.00	0.0	0.00	135	-343	
11			3/25/2020 10:20:08 PM	0.15	0.00	0.0	0.00	123	-338	
12	Do Not Input		3/25/2020 10:20:09 PM	0.17	0.00	0.0	0.00	141	-343	
13	Pile ID		3/25/2020 10:20:10 PM	0.18	0.00	0.0	0.00	115	-355	
14	Sample Data Set		3/25/2020 10:20:11 PM	0.20	0.00	0.0	0.00	129	-368	
15	Top of Pile Elevation (ft)		3/25/2020 10:20:12 PM	0.22	0.00	0.0	0.00	1,681	-364	
16	10.74		3/25/2020 10:20:13 PM	0.23	0.00	0.0	0.00	954	-366	
17	Station		3/25/2020 10:20:14 PM	0.25	0.00	0.0	0.00	1,034	-355	
18	100+00.01		3/25/2020 10:20:15 PM	0.27	0.00	1.2	0.00	1,467	-347	
19	Offset (ft)		3/25/2020 10:20:16 PM	0.28	0.00	12.0	0.00	1,222	-349	
20	10		3/25/2020 10:20:17 PM	0.30	0.00	12.0	0.00	1,286	-358	
21	Pile Length (ft)		3/25/2020 10:20:18 PM	0.32	0.00	15.6	0.00	1,592	-375	
22	134.48		3/25/2020 10:20:19 PM	0.33	0.00	24.0	0.00	1,471	-369	
23	Pile Length (in)		3/25/2020 10:20:20 PM	0.35	0.00	25.2	0.03	1,733	-352	
24	1,613.78		3/25/2020 10:20:21 PM	0.37	0.03	24.0	0.46	1,565	-346	
25	Area of Excavation (ft²)		3/25/2020 10:20:22 PM	0.38	0.10	28.8	1.84	1,641	-312	
26	4.91		3/25/2020 10:20:23 PM	0.40	0.16	32.4	3.12	1,628	-292	
27	Area of Excavation (in²)		3/25/2020 10:20:24 PM	0.42	0.20	31.2	3.44	1,760	-260	
28	706.86		3/25/2020 10:20:25 PM	0.43	0.26	33.6	3.54	1,560	-272	
29			3/25/2020 10:20:26 PM	0.45	0.36	32.4	3.87	1,767	-276	
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Enter Drill Rig Data

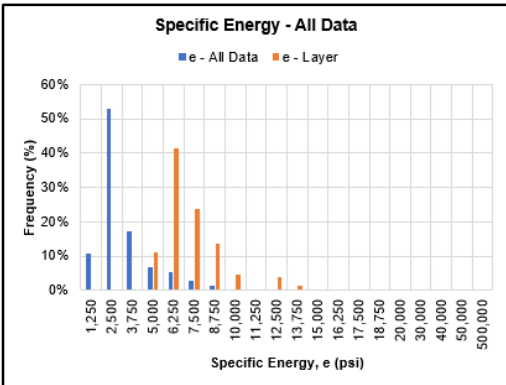
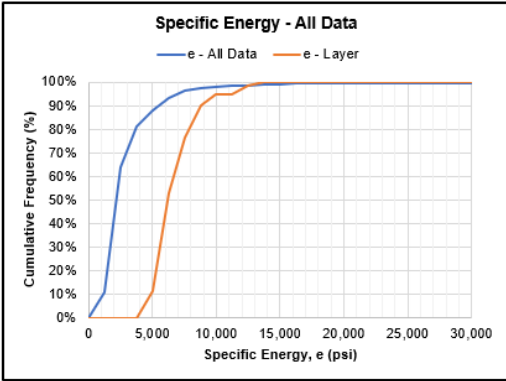
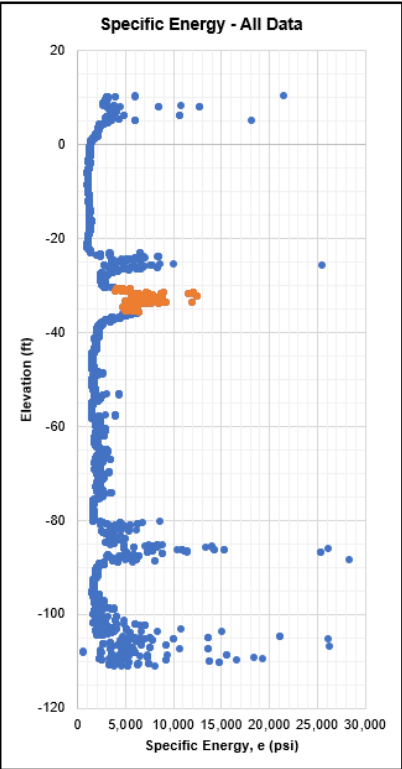
Torque Specifications										Crowd Specifications		
Drill Rig	Rig Type	Maximum Operating Pressure, OP_{Max} (psi)	Hydraulic Motor Displacement, V_g (in ³ /rev)		Hydraulic Flow Rate, Q (in ³ /min)	Gear Case Reduction		# of Motors	Select Drill Rig (1 or 2)	Specifications	Drill Rig 1	Drill Rig 2
			Max	Min		Gear 1	Gear 2			F_{Max} (lbf)	5,000	4,500
1	Generic A	5,000	10.00	5.00	35,000	160.0	80.0	2	2	Baseline Pressure, BP (psi)	0	0
2	Generic B	4,500	9.00	4.00	30,000	150.0	75.0	2		Crowd Conversion Coefficient, K_f (lbf/psi)	15.74	19.98

Drill Rig	Gear	N_{min} (RPM)	N_{max} (RPM)	T_{min} (in-lbs)	T_{max} (in-lbs)	Torque Check - Drill Rig 1		Torque Check - Drill Rig 2	
1	1	11	22	1,273,240	2,546,479	N (RPM)	P (psi)	N (RPM)	P (psi)
	2	22	44	636,620	1,273,240	18	4,500	18	4,500
2	1	11	25	859,437	1,933,733	T (in-lbf)	T (ft-lbf)	T (in-lbf)	T (ft-lbf)
	2	22	50	429,718	966,866	1,392,606	116,050.5	1,193,662	99,471.8



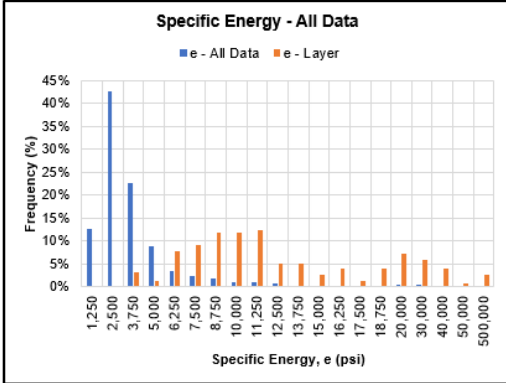
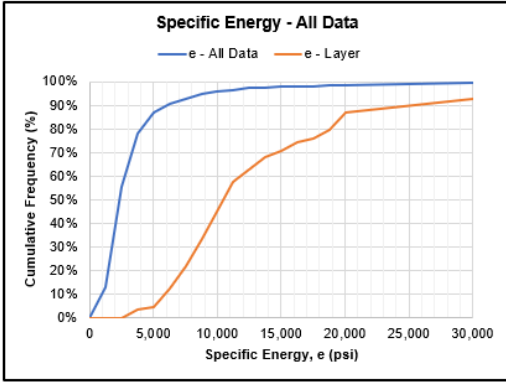
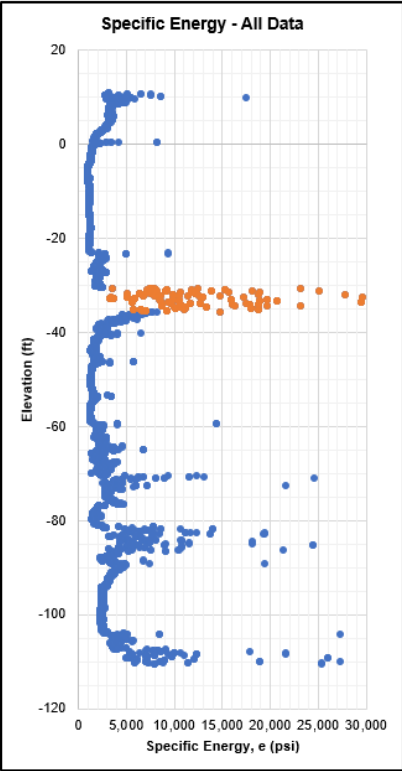
Strength Analysis Tab – Specific Energy

Pile			Specific Energy, e (psi) - All Data					Pile Information								
Pile	Pile Segment	ΔZ Increment (cm)	Mean	Median	Standard Deviation	Coefficient of Variation	Maximum	Minimum	Count	Pile ID	Pile Elevations (ft)		Pile Length (ft)	Layer Elevations (ft)		Drill Bit Diameter (ft)
e Threshold (psi)	e Reduction (psi/ft)	MWD Assessment								Pile 5	Top of Pile	Bottom of Pile		Top	Bottom	
5	8	1	3,095	2,134	7,286	2.35	280,309	603	3,702		10.29	-111.20	121.49	-30.7	-35.7	2.5
0	0.0	ISO Class 1														
Pile Segments and Elevations			Specific Energy, e (psi) - All Data - Layer Analysis													
Pile Segment	Elevation 1 (ft)	Elevation 2 (ft)	Mean	Median	Std. Dev.	CV	Maximum	Minimum	Count							
1	3.60	-0.7	1,812	1,928	355	0.20	2,322	1,329	131							
2	-0.7	-5.7	1,267	1,271	64	0.05	1,436	1,104	153							
3	-5.7	-10.7	1,128	1,116	38	0.03	1,264	1,072	152							
4	-10.7	-15.7	1,263	1,244	55	0.04	1,410	1,184	153							
5	-15.7	-20.7	1,271	1,286	118	0.09	1,567	1,108	152							
6	-20.7	-25.7	2,996	2,229	2,203	0.74	10,068	1,063	152							
7	-25.7	-30.7	3,862	2,903	4,165	1.08	47,387	2,398	153							
8	-30.7	-35.7	6,586	6,033	1,784	0.27	12,529	3,947	152							
9	-35.7	-40.7	3,213	2,550	1,250	0.39	6,450	2,034	153							
10	-40.7	-45.7	1,881	1,951	219	0.12	2,295	1,509	152							
11	-45.7	-50.7	1,753	1,652	295	0.17	2,723	1,473	152							
12	-50.7	-55.7	1,911	1,790	503	0.26	4,418	1,465	153							
13	-55.7	-60.7	1,953	1,857	537	0.27	3,986	1,475	152							
14	-60.7	-65.7	2,305	2,242	399	0.17	3,207	1,794	153							
15	-65.7	-70.7	2,302	2,244	385	0.17	3,481	1,756	152							
16	-70.7	-75.7	2,382	2,323	321	0.13	3,531	1,748	152							



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e Threshold (psi)	e Reduction (psi/ft)	MWD Assessment								Pile 9	Top of Pile	Bottom of Pile	121.49	Top	Bottom	
0	0.0	ISO Class 1	3,727	2,376	11,105	2.98	488,901	969	3,699		10.86	-110.63		-30.7	-35.7	2.5
Pile Segments and Elevations			Specific Energy, e (psi) - All Data - Layer Analysis													
Pile Segment	Elevation 1 (ft)	Elevation 2 (ft)	Mean	Median	Std. Dev.	CV	Maximum	Minimum	Count							
1	3.6	-0.7	2,210	1,943	916	0.41	8,251	1,497	131							
2	-0.7	-5.7	1,276	1,296	146	0.11	1,509	1,011	152							
3	-5.7	-10.7	1,131	1,160	96	0.08	1,264	969	153							
4	-10.7	-15.7	1,198	1,195	43	0.04	1,305	1,108	152							
5	-15.7	-20.7	1,253	1,258	50	0.04	1,347	1,156	152							
6	-20.7	-25.7	1,966	1,963	1,167	0.59	9,420	1,114	153							
7	-25.7	-30.7	2,063	2,014	327	0.16	3,558	1,455	152							
8	-30.7	-35.7	15,797	10,541	23,714	1.50	238,445	3,295	153							
9	-35.7	-40.7	3,950	3,461	1,789	0.45	14,874	1,973	152							
10	-40.7	-45.7	1,822	1,803	291	0.16	3,409	1,309	152							
11	-45.7	-50.7	1,623	1,398	698	0.43	5,769	1,257	153							
12	-50.7	-55.7	1,596	1,492	418	0.26	3,427	1,311	152							
13	-55.7	-60.7	1,764	1,309	1,575	0.89	14,407	1,236	153							
14	-60.7	-65.7	2,523	2,308	837	0.33	6,814	1,685	152							
15	-65.7	-70.7	3,357	2,471	9,269	2.76	116,196	1,432	152							
16	-70.7	-75.7	5,047	3,551	6,260	1.24	59,907	2,591	153							
Soil	-5.0	-20	1,187	1,202	90	0.08	1,347	969	457							



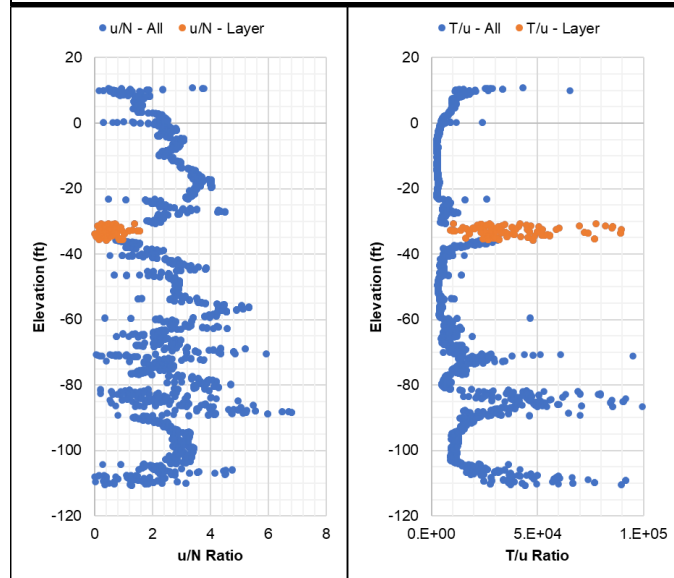
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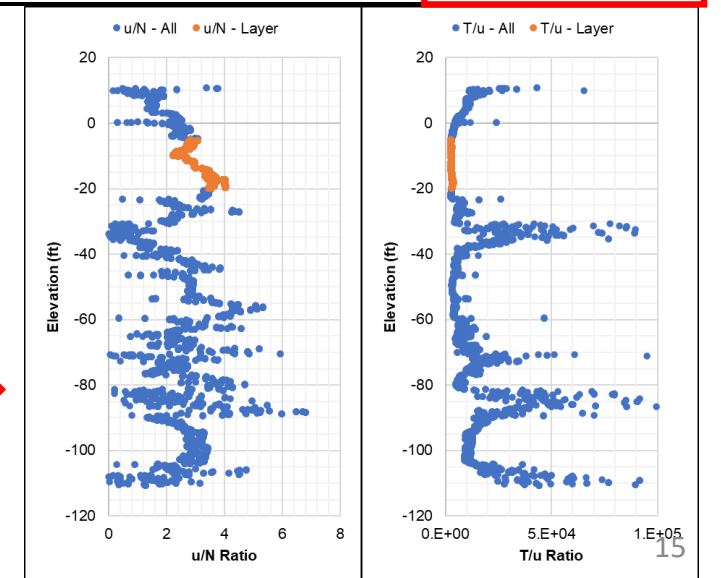
Soil Layer

Summary of Statistics - Layer						
Statistics	N (RPM)	T (in-lbs)	u (in/min)	F (lbf)	Compound	
					u/N	T/u
Mean	37.6	605,640	20.4	25,345	0.56	46,852
Median	38.4	583,913	19.3	23,527	0.49	30,684
Stand. Dev.	5.2	99,246	11.4	9,809	0.32	62,421
CV	0.14	0.16	0.56	0.39	0.58	1.33
Maximum	46.8	878,595	56.7	50,508	1.56	604,163
Minimum	25.2	436,783	0.8	1,380	0.02	9,127
Count	153	153	153	153	153	153

Summary of Statistics - Layer						
Statistics	N (RPM)	T (in-lbs)	u (in/min)	F (lbf)	Compound	
					u/N	T/u
Mean	45.8	405,382	140.8	21,108	3.10	2,857
Median	46.8	381,140	141.7	20,575	2.96	2,761
Stand. Dev.	3.1	83,881	17.2	2,207	0.50	314
CV	0.07	0.21	0.12	0.10	0.16	0.11
Maximum	50.4	580,784	165.4	26,287	4.05	3,872
Minimum	37.2	299,165	111.4	17,663	2.22	2,415
Count	457	457	457	457	457	457

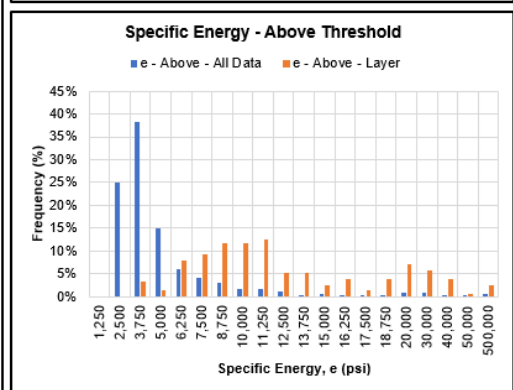
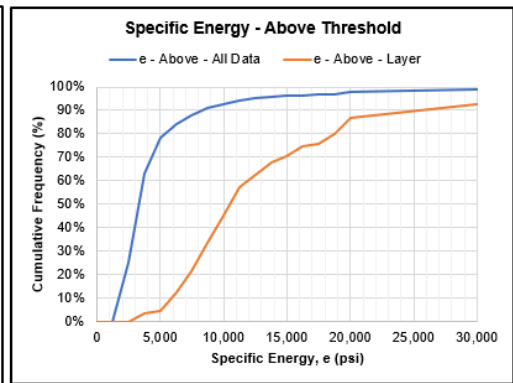
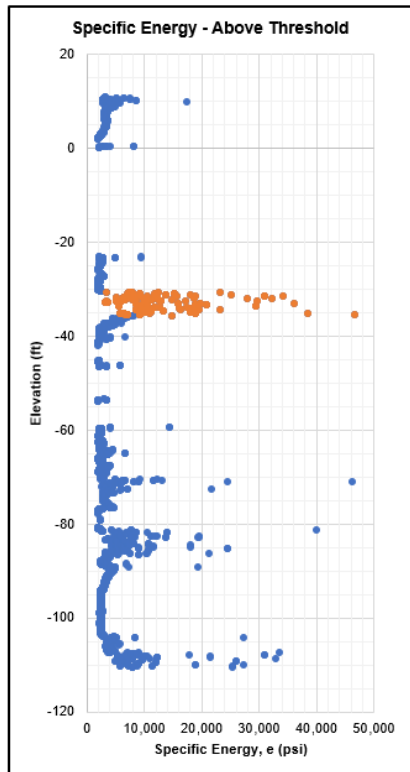


- This information is used to help discern soil/IGM from rock
- Low u/N ratio and high T/u ratio are indicative of rock layering
- High u/N ratio and Low T/u ratio are indicative of soil layering



Strength Analysis – Specific Energy – Above Threshold

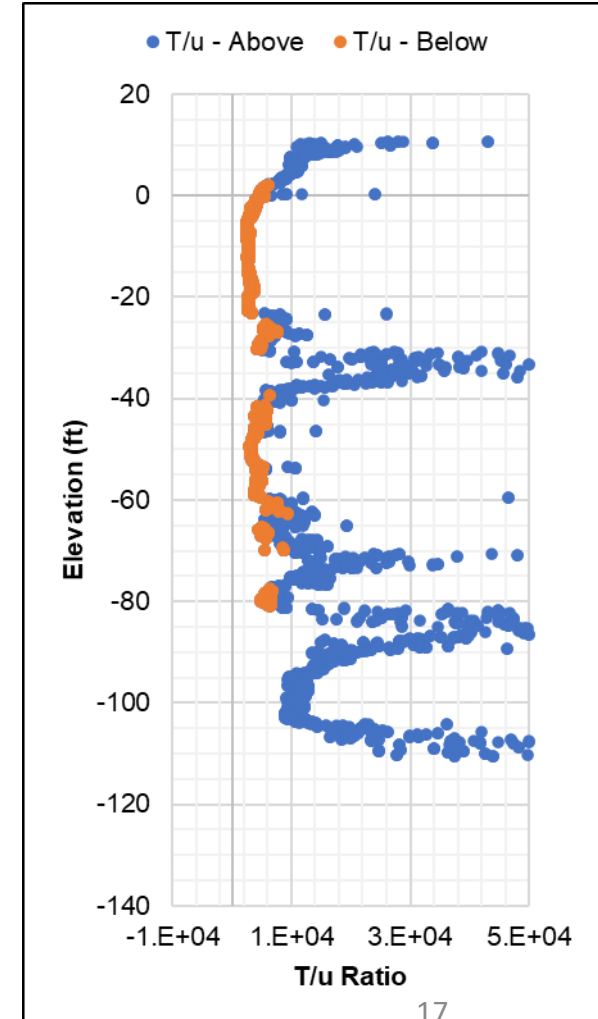
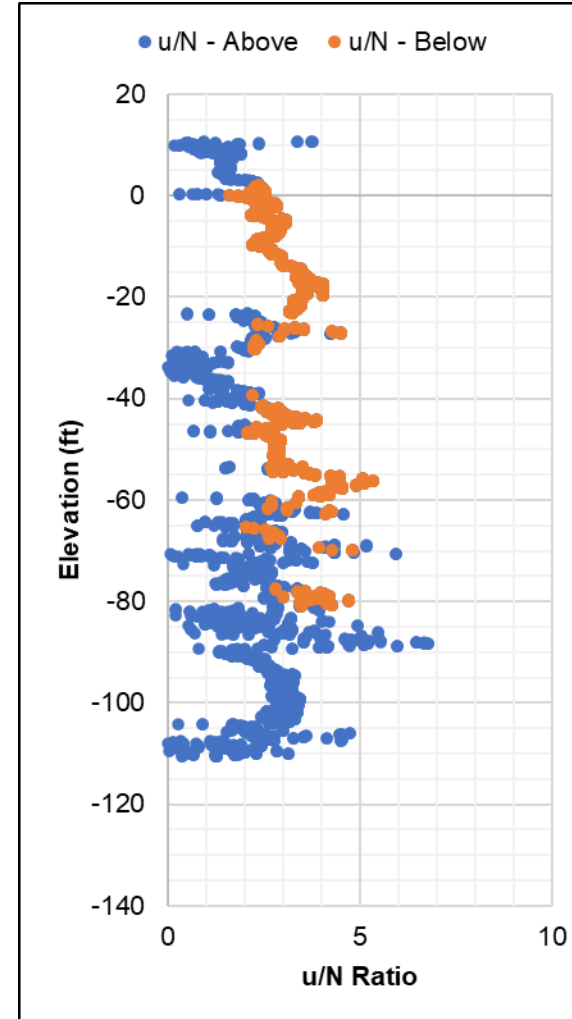
Pile			Specific Energy, e (psi) - Above Threshold - Entire Pile					Pile Information								
Pile	Pile Segment	ΔZ Increment (cm)	Mean	Median	Standard Deviation	Coefficient of Variation	Maximum	Minimum	Count	Pile ID	Pile Elevations (ft)		Pile Length (ft)	Layer Elevations (ft)		Drill Bit Diameter (ft)
e Threshold (psi)	e Reduction (psi/ft)	MWD Assessment	5,309	3,195	14,204	2.68	488,901	2,002	2,194	Pile 9	Top of Pile	Bottom of Pile	121.49	Top	Bottom	2.50
2,000	0.0	ISO Class 1									10.86	-110.63		-30.70	-35.70	
Pile Segments and Elevations			Specific Energy, e (psi) - Above Threshold - Layer Analysis													
Pile Segment	Elevation 1 (ft)	Elevation 2 (ft)	Mean	Median	Std. Dev.	CV	Maximum	Minimum	Count							
1	3.6	-0.7	2,786	2,527	1,115	0.40	8,251	2,026	59							
2	-0.7	-5.7	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0							
3	-5.7	-10.7	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0							
4	-10.7	-15.7	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0							
5	-15.7	-20.7	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0							
6	-20.7	-25.7	2,779	2,458	1,266	0.46	9,420	2,101	72							
7	-25.7	-30.7	2,289	2,292	295	0.13	3,558	2,014	77							
8	-30.7	-35.7	15,797	10,541	23,714	1.50	238,445	3,295	153							
9	-35.7	-40.7	3,990	3,558	1,785	0.45	14,874	2,162	149							
10	-40.7	-45.7	2,201	2,133	240	0.11	3,409	2,015	38							
11	-45.7	-50.7	3,548	3,388	1,425	0.40	5,769	2,179	12							
12	-50.7	-55.7	2,741	3,111	678	0.25	3,427	2,047	13							
13	-55.7	-60.7	3,498	2,487	3,078	0.88	14,407	2,192	29							
14	-60.7	-65.7	2,689	2,401	862	0.32	6,814	2,013	121							
15	-65.7	-70.7	3,717	2,567	10,279	2.77	116,196	2,015	123							
16	-70.7	-75.7	5,047	3,551	6,260	1.24	59,907	2,591	153							
Soil	-5.0	-20	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0							



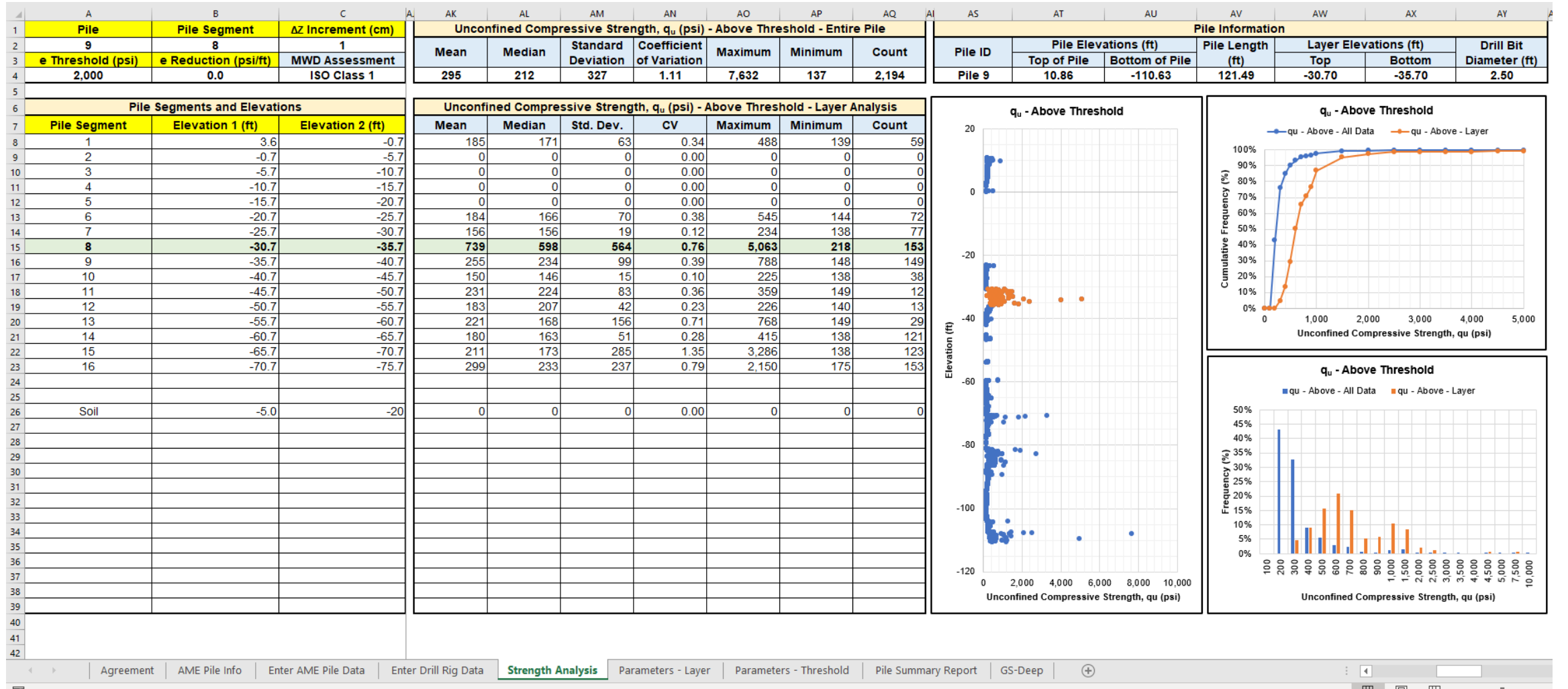
Parameters – Threshold

Summary of Statistics - Above Specific Energy Threshold						
Statistics	N (RPM)	T (in-lbs)	u (in/min)	F (lbf)	Compound	
					u/N	T/u
Mean	29.1	859,247	58.7	9,837	2.18	24,699
Median	28.8	771,657	57.5	8,912	2.14	12,660
Stand. Dev.	8.7	381,776	24.2	13,988	1.05	76,760
CV	0.30	0.44	0.41	1.42	0.48	3.11
Maximum	48.0	2,675,698	110.6	58,724	6.79	2,291,507
Minimum	1.2	293,652	0.4	-27,167	0.02	4,812
Count	2,194	2,194	2,194	2,194	2,194	2,194

Summary of Statistics - Below Specific Energy Threshold						
Statistics	N (RPM)	T (in-lbs)	u (in/min)	F (lbf)	Compound	
					u/N	T/u
Mean	41.5	488,242	127.5	17,561	3.13	3,946
Median	43.2	463,630	126.0	18,928	2.95	3,639
Stand. Dev.	6.1	127,655	22.3	6,576	0.66	1,270
CV	0.15	0.26	0.17	0.37	0.21	0.32
Maximum	50.4	1,060,084	165.4	54,495	5.33	9,308
Minimum	22.8	293,630	63.0	-1,816	1.59	2,415
Count	1,505	1,505	1,505	1,505	1,505	1,505

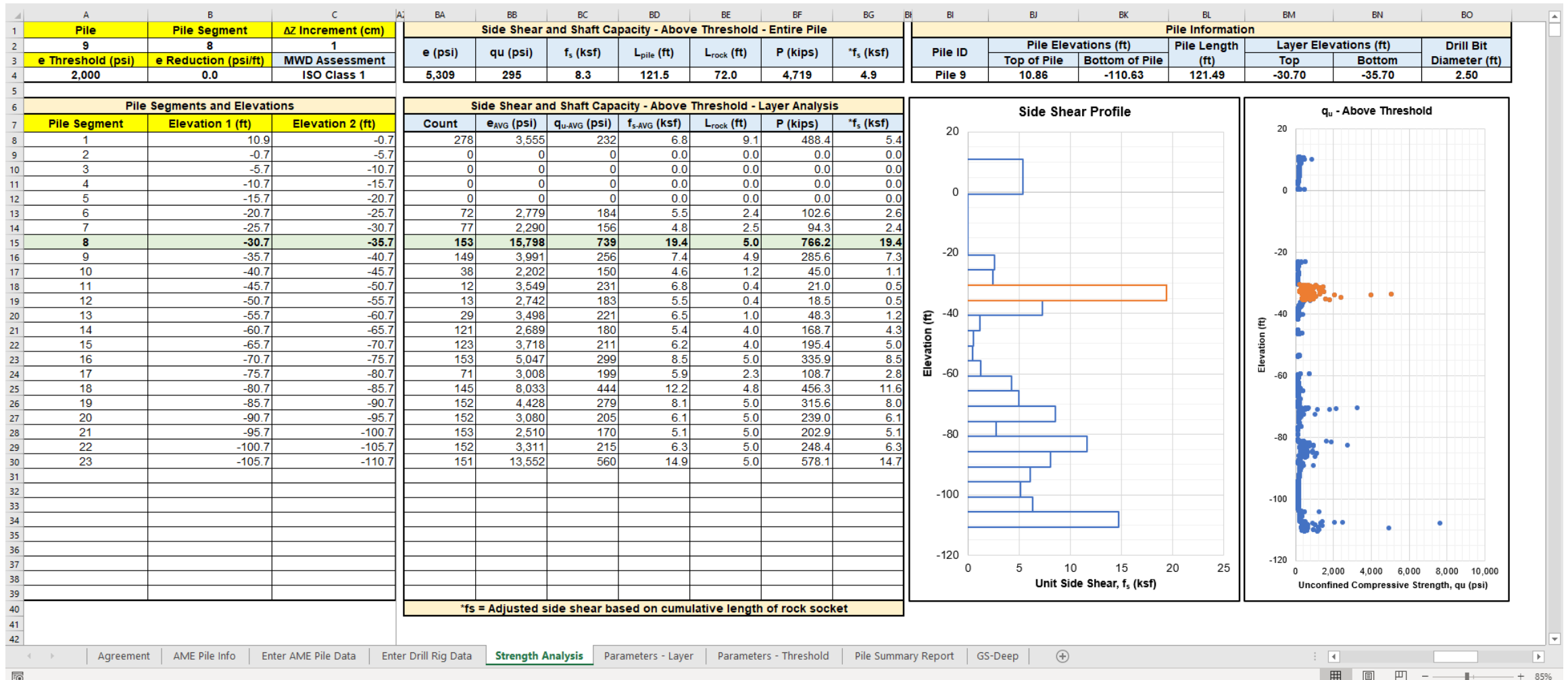


Strength Analysis – Unconfined Compressive Strength



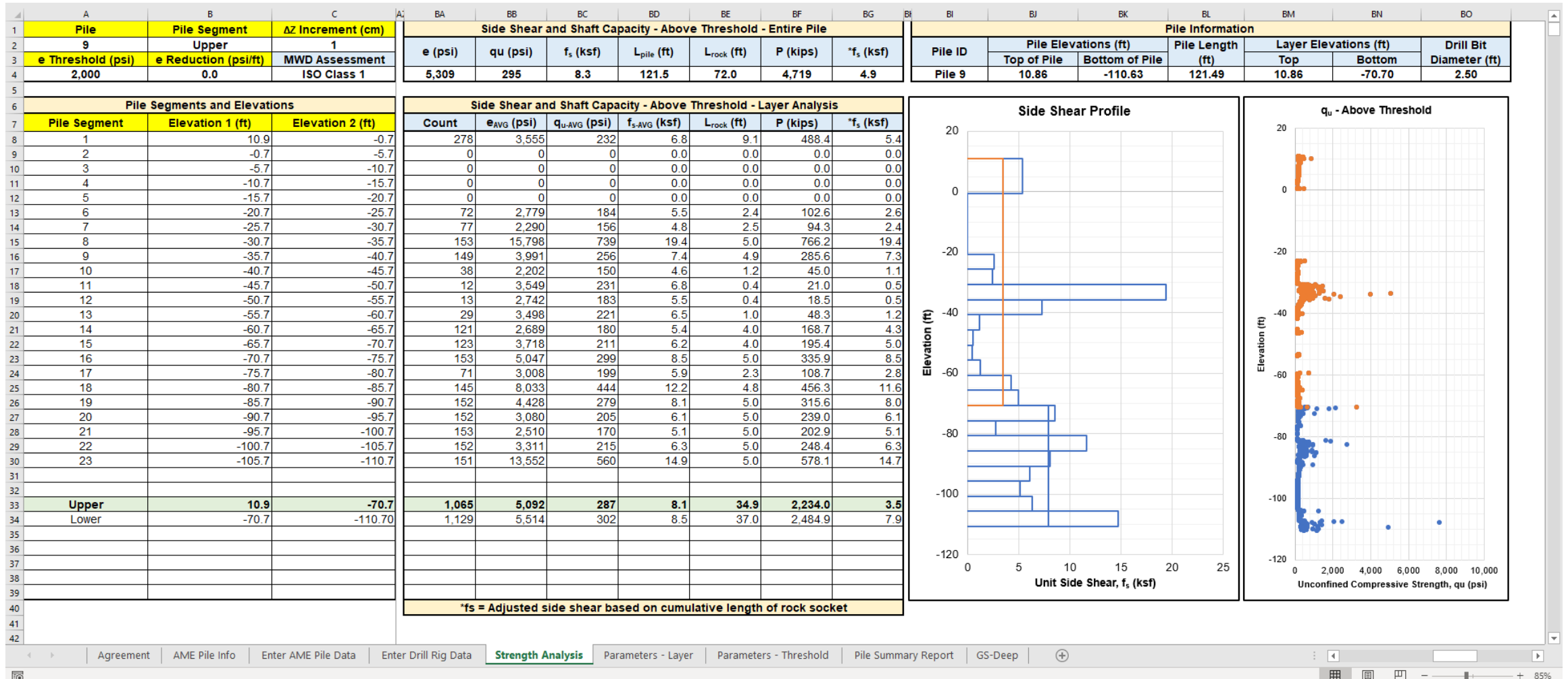
*Uses drilled shaft rock auger equation developed in Rodgers et al. (2018a, b) to estimate q_u

Strength Analysis – Side Shear and Shaft Capacity



*Uses drilled shaft side shear equation developed in Rodgers et al. (2019) to estimate f_s

Strength Analysis – Side Shear and Shaft Capacity



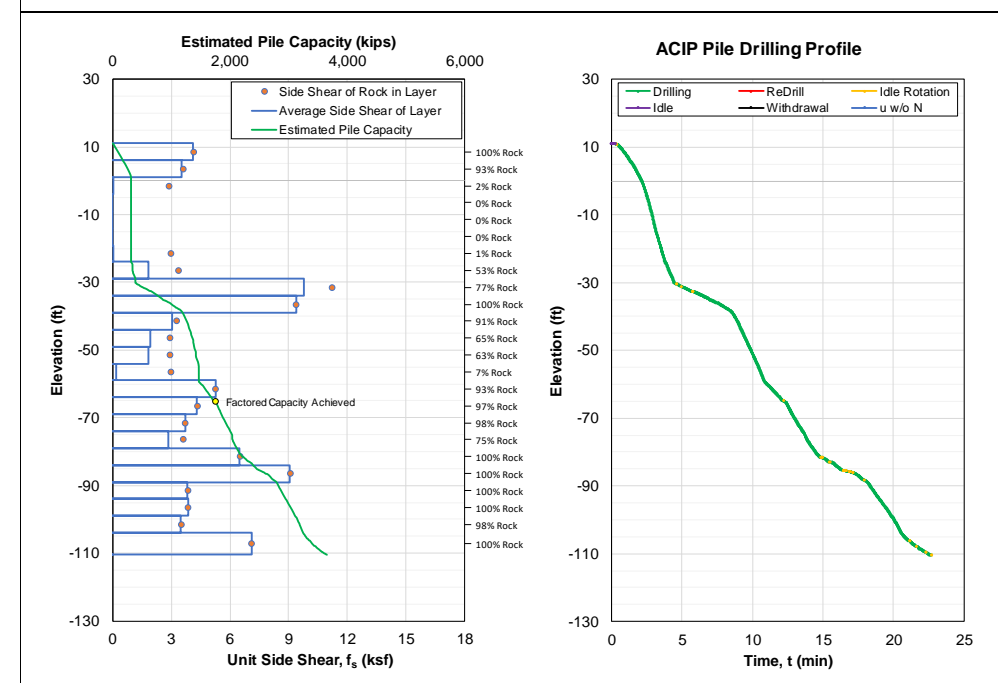


ACIP Pile - MWD Summary Report

Pile Summary Report

- Project
- Location
- Engineer
- Pile ID
- Station
- Offset
- Top and bottom Pile Elevation
- Drill Rig Identification
- Pile Diameter
- Pile Length
- Depth Increment Analyzed
- ISO-MWD Assessment Class
- Specific Energy Above the e Threshold Statistics
 - Specific energy threshold, mean, median, standard deviation, CV, maximum, minimum, and number of data points
- Unconfined Compression Strength Above e Threshold Statistics
 - q_u threshold, mean, median, standard deviation, CV, maximum, minimum, and number of data points
- ACIP Pile Capacity QA/QC
 - Pile length, total rock socket length, AVG pile side shear, unfactored pile capacity, factored pile capacity, factored design load, C/D ratio, design requirement inspection
- Pile Installation Summary
 - Time spent drilling, re-drilling time, idle rotation time, idle time, withdrawal time, penetration without rotation time, total time, drilling efficiency (i.e., drilling time / total time x 100%)
- Strength Profile (discussed later)
- Drilling Profile (discussed later)

Project		Location		Engineer		Pile ID	
UF ACIP MWD		Miami, Florida		Rodgers, McVay, Kelch		Pile Group C - Pile 1	
Station		Offset (ft)		Drill Rig		Drill Bit Diameter (in)	
100+00.01		10.00		Large Drill Rig		30	
Top of Pile Elevation (ft)		Bottom of Pile Elevation (ft)		Depth Increment Analyzed (cm)		ISO-MWD Assessment	
11.01		-110.48		1		Class 1	
Specific Energy Above Threshold, e (psi)							
Specific Energy Threshold (psi)		1,250					
Mean		3,131					
Median		1,931					
Standard Deviation		5,092					
Coefficient of Variation (CV)		1.63					
Maximum		124,766					
Minimum		1,250					
Number of Data Points		2,502					
Unconfined Compressive Strength Above Threshold, q_u (psi)							
q_u Threshold (psi)		88					
Mean		193					
Median		133					
Standard Deviation		194					
Coefficient of Variation (CV)		1.01					
Maximum		3,433					
Minimum		88					
Number of Data Points		2,502					
ACIP Pile Capacity QA/QC							
Pile Length (ft)		121.49					
Total Rock Socket Length (ft)		82.1					
Average Pile Side Shear, f_s (ksf)		3.83					
Unfactored Pile Capacity (kips)		3,652					
Factored Pile Capacity (kips)		2,191					
Factored Design Load (kips)		1,050					
C/D Ratio for LRFD $\phi = 0.6$		2.09					
Design Requirement Inspection		Passed					
Pile Installation Summary							
Drilling Time (min)		21.8					
ReDrill Time (min)		0.0					
Idle Rotation Time (min)		0.7					
Idle Time (min)		0.3					
Withdrawal Time (min)		0.0					
Penetration w/o Rotation Time (min)		0.0					
Total Time (min)		22.8					
Drilling Efficiency (%)		96%					



GeoStat Analyses

- Automatically populates rock strength data for Geostat Analyses

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
1	This tab must be populated with data prior to loading GS-Deep.												
2													
3	Depth	Soil Type	N. Blows	Unit Weight	Cu	qu	qt	qb	Em	RQD	Socket Roughness	Rock Recovery	
4		[1 2 3 4 5]								[0.0 to 1.0]	[0 1]	[0.0 to 1.0]	
5	ft m		blows/ft blows/300mm	pcf kN/m^3	tsf kPa	tsf kPa	tsf kPa	tsf kPa	ksi MPa				
6	0.03	4		114		48.0	6.7			1			1
7	0.07	4		95		15.1	2.6			1			1
8	0.10	4		95		15.1	2.6			1			1
9	0.13	4		88		9.1	1.7			1			1
10	0.16	4		88		9.1	1.7			1			1
11	0.20	4		87		8.9	1.7			1			1
12	0.23	4		85		7.8	1.5			1			1
13	0.26	4		85		7.8	1.5			1			1
14	0.30	4		86		8.0	1.5			1			1
15	0.33	4		86		8.0	1.5			1			1
16	0.36	4		86		8.0	1.5			1			1
17	0.39	4		84		6.9	1.4			1			1
18	0.43	4		84		6.9	1.4			1			1
19	0.46	4		85		7.4	1.4			1			1
20	0.49	4		85		7.4	1.4			1			1
21	0.52	4		85		7.8	1.5			1			1
22	0.56	4		85		7.8	1.5			1			1
23	0.59	4		85		7.8	1.5			1			1
24	0.62	4		84		6.9	1.4			1			1
25	0.66	4		84		6.9	1.4			1			1
26	0.69	4		84		6.9	1.4			1			1
27	0.72	4		83		6.3	1.3			1			1
28	0.75	4		83		6.3	1.3			1			1
29	0.79	4		83		6.3	1.3			1			1
30	0.82	4		81		5.5	1.1			1			1
31	0.85	4		81		5.5	1.1			1			1
32	0.89	4		82		6.2	1.2			1			1
33	0.92	4		82		6.2	1.2			1			1
34	0.95	4		82		6.2	1.2			1			1
35	0.98	4		82		6.2	1.2			1			1
36	1.02	4		81		5.6	1.1			1			1
37	1.05	4		81		5.6	1.1			1			1
38	1.08	4		81		5.6	1.1			1			1

MWD Specific Energy vs. ACIP Pile Side Shear



- Task 2 - MWD Specific Energy vs. ACIP Pile Side Shear Relationships
 - Develop correlation between MWD specific energy and ACIP unit side shear
 - Requires MWD to be conducted in the footprint of test piles with mobilized segments in order to directly compare specific energy and unit side shear
 - Only 2 of 11 test piles had MWD in the footprint
 - Test Piles A and B
 - Only 3 of 11 test piles had mobilized segments
 - Test Pile A was fully mobilized above the load test assembly (LTA), Test Pile C was fully mobilized above and below the LTA, Test Pile D was mobilized in 2 pile segments above the LTA
 - Required UF to develop correlation with Test Piles C and D using MWD data from adjacent pile groups within proximity to the test pile locations
 - All piles were subject to curing induced residual stresses
 - Required load tests to be reanalyzed in larger layers to reduce the effects of residual stresses
- Task 3 - MWD Correlation Validation for ACIP Production Pile QA/QC
 - Compare MWD data to SPT and rock core data
 - Strength characteristics and layering
 - Modeled Test Piles A and C in MultiPier to compare MWD modeled behavior versus actual pile behavior measured in the field
 - Develop specific energy threshold for QA/QC procedures
 - Removes soil and IGM from consideration in pile capacity estimates
 - Only layers of rock count towards pile capacity
 - Assess the capacity of 50 production piles
 - No pile group data around Test Pile A
 - Assess the capacity of pile groups within proximity to Test Piles B, C, and D

Residual Stresses Identified in Load Test Report

Load test reports stated that high tensile curing strains were observed by comparing pre-installation strain gauge readings to those taken before active loading of the pile at the start of testing. This plus the relatively large strain increases observed during loading indicated that the pile may have experienced curing-induced residual load and subsequent tensile micro-fracturing, resulting in highly non-linear pile rigidity.

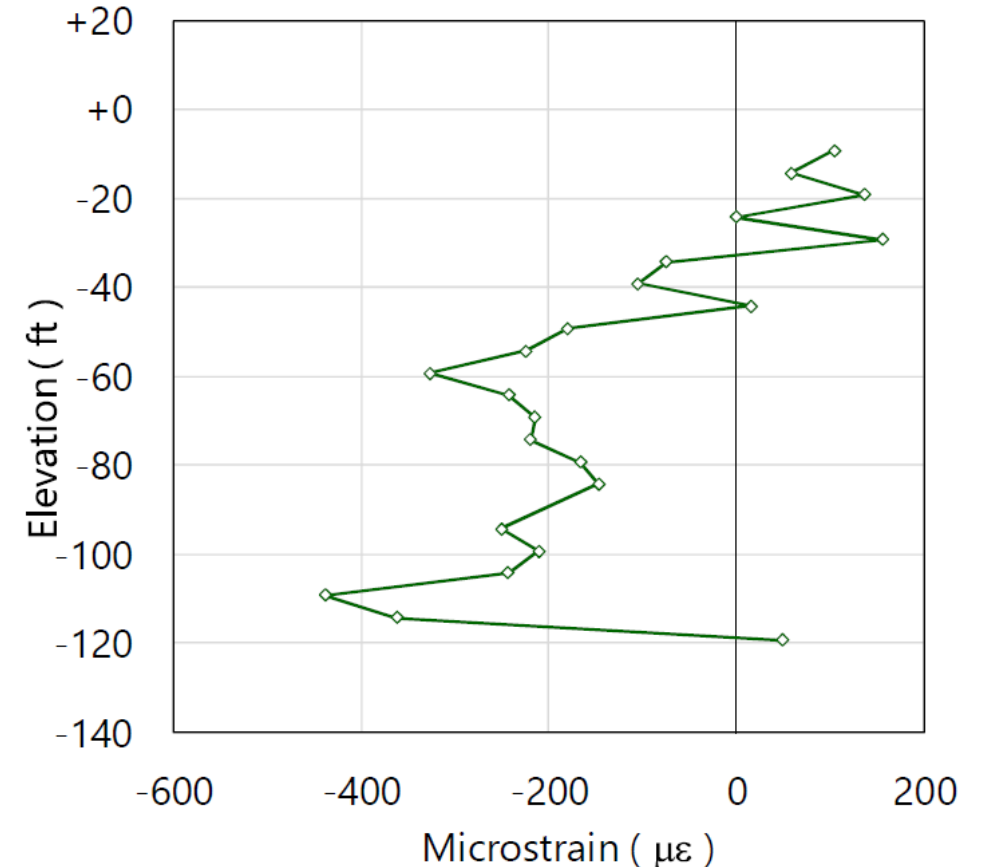
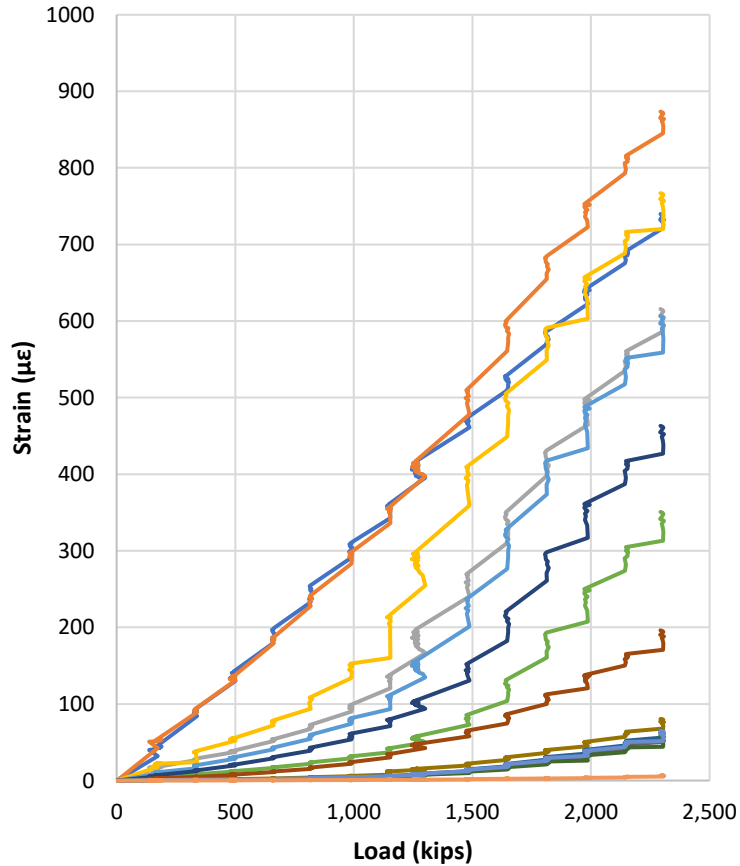


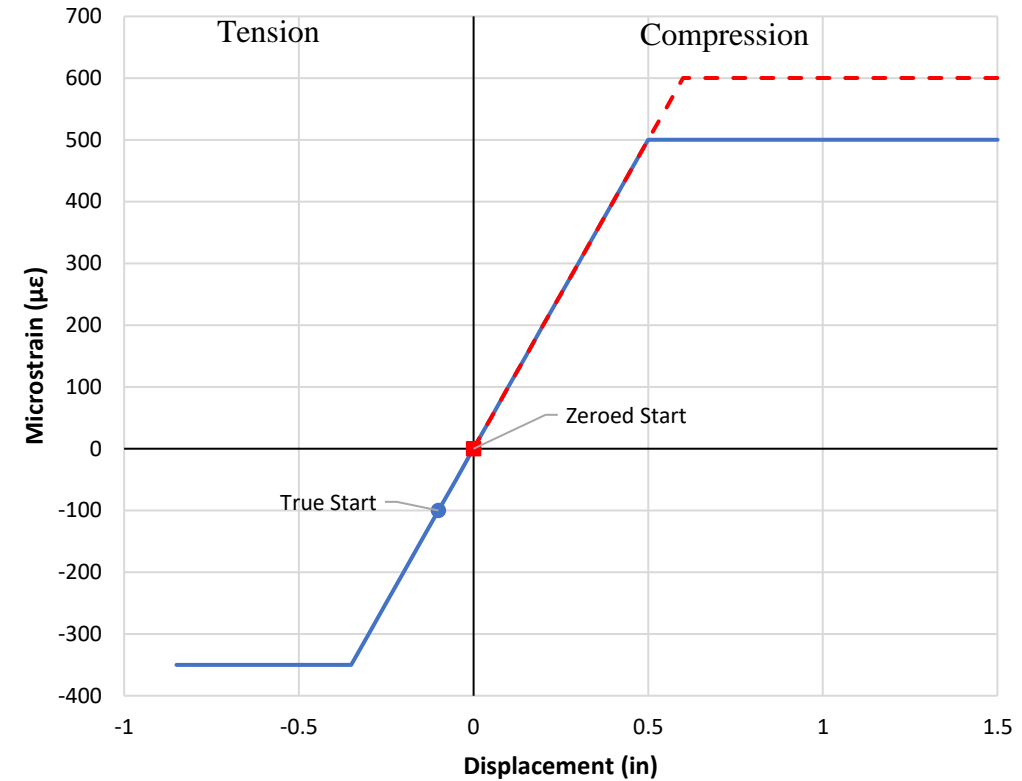
Figure 5: Strain change between installation and start of test (curing strain)

Residual Stresses Present in ACIP Piles



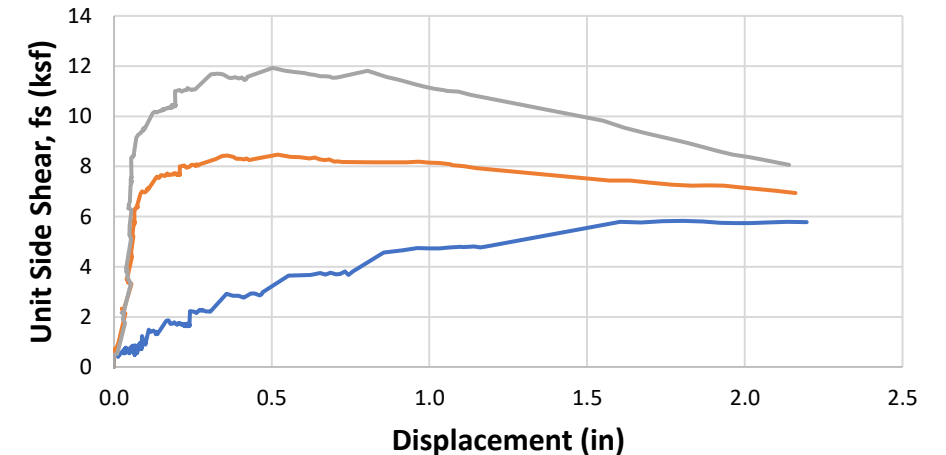
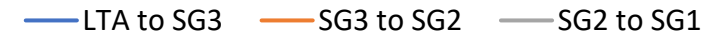
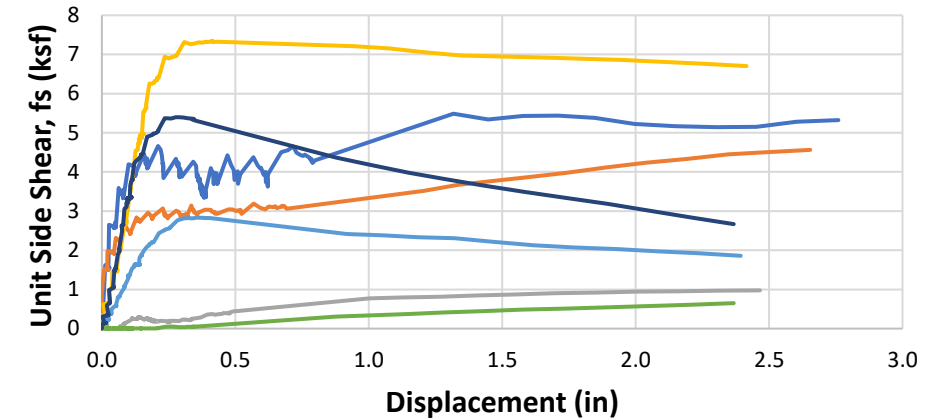
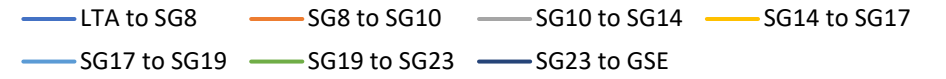
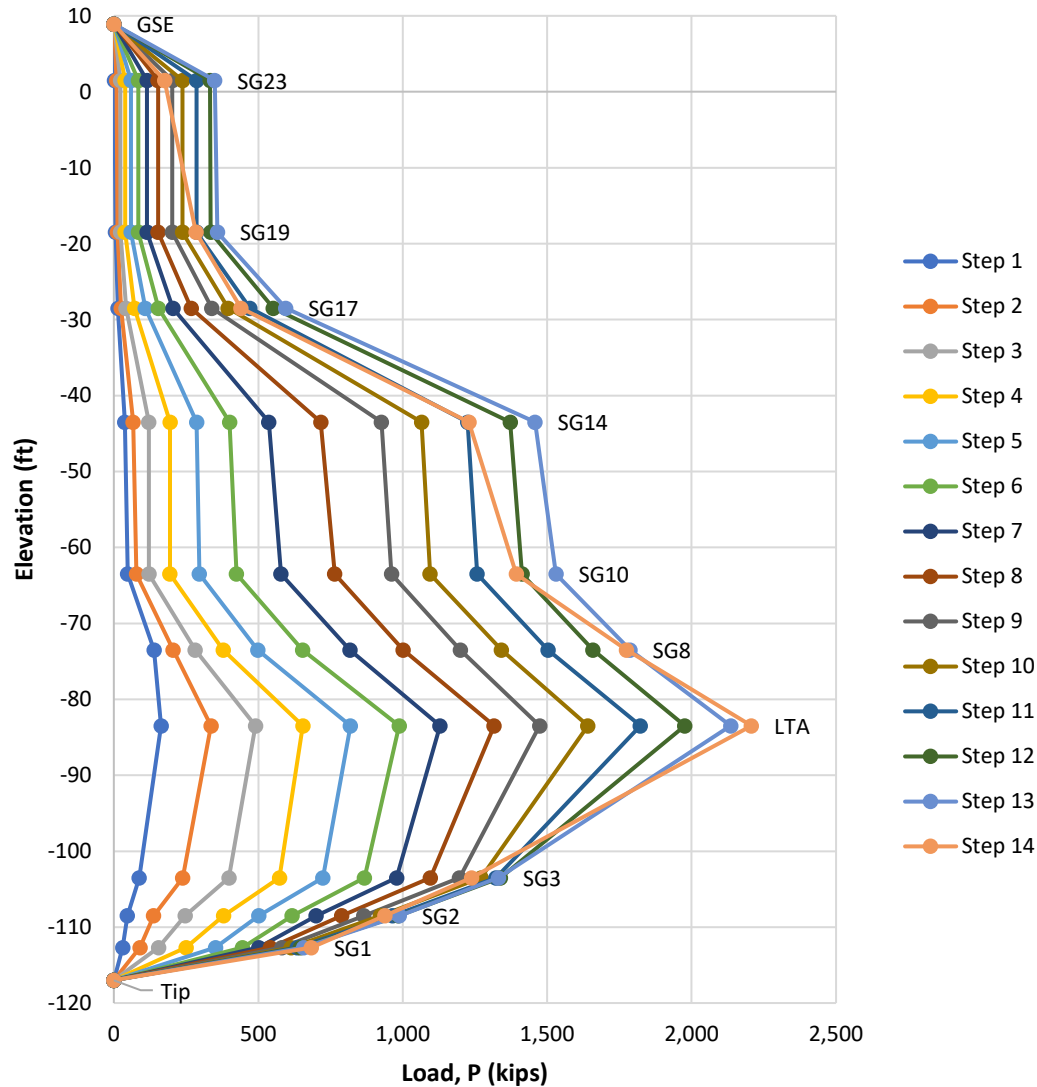
- Strain Gage Level 6
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- Strain Gage Level 18
- Strain Gage Level 19

Strain Gauge Level	Maximum Strain (µε)
7	873.6
9	767.0
6	739.8
8	615.8
10	606.3
12	463.2
11	350.9
13	196.0
15	80.5
18	65.6
16	65.0
14	60.9
17	55.9
19	6.6



***This effects the layering and T-Z curves generated which need to be accurate in order to build correlation with MWD**

Load Tests Reanalyzed in Larger Layers

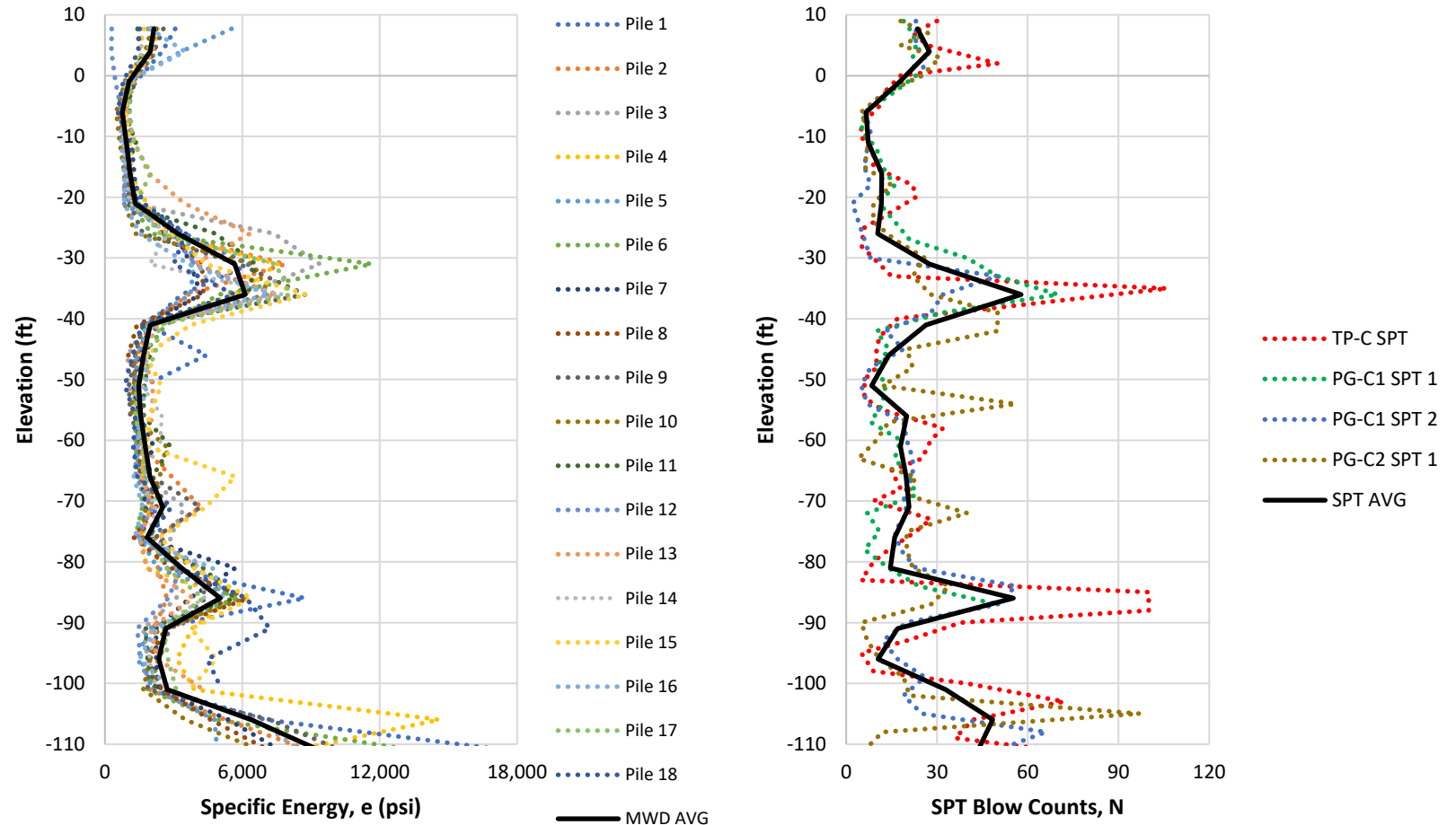


- Load test report included all raw data which allowed UF to reanalyze the load test in larger layers

MWD “e” versus SPT “N”

- Compare MWD specific energy to SPT N profile
 - Drilling resistance vs. driving resistance
 - SPT blow counts obtained within the ACIP pile group or within proximity
 - < 100 ft
- MWD profiles resemble the SPT profiles
 - Suggests MWD strengths and layering are correct

Pile groups and SPT borings in proximity to Test Pile C

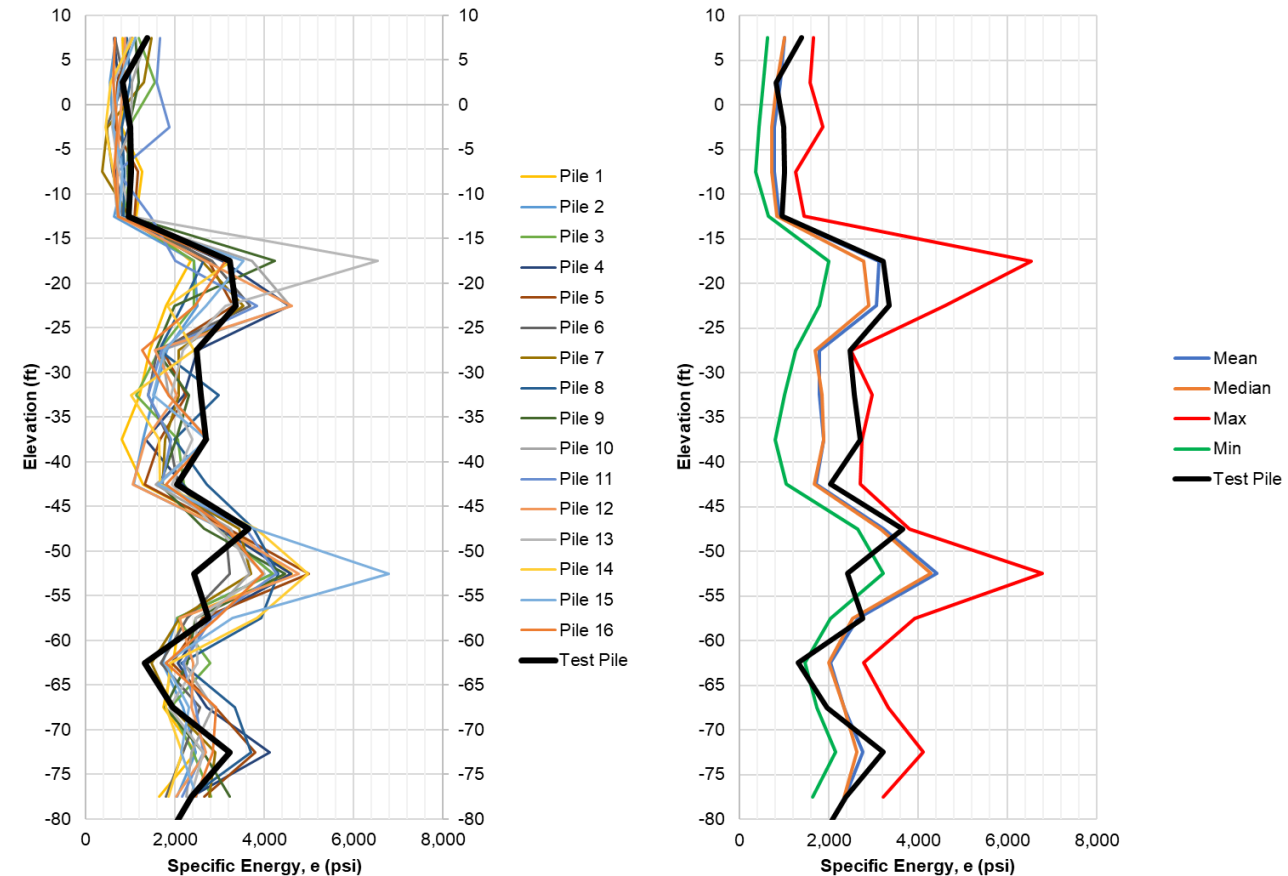


Assessing ACIP Pile Variability Over Short Distances

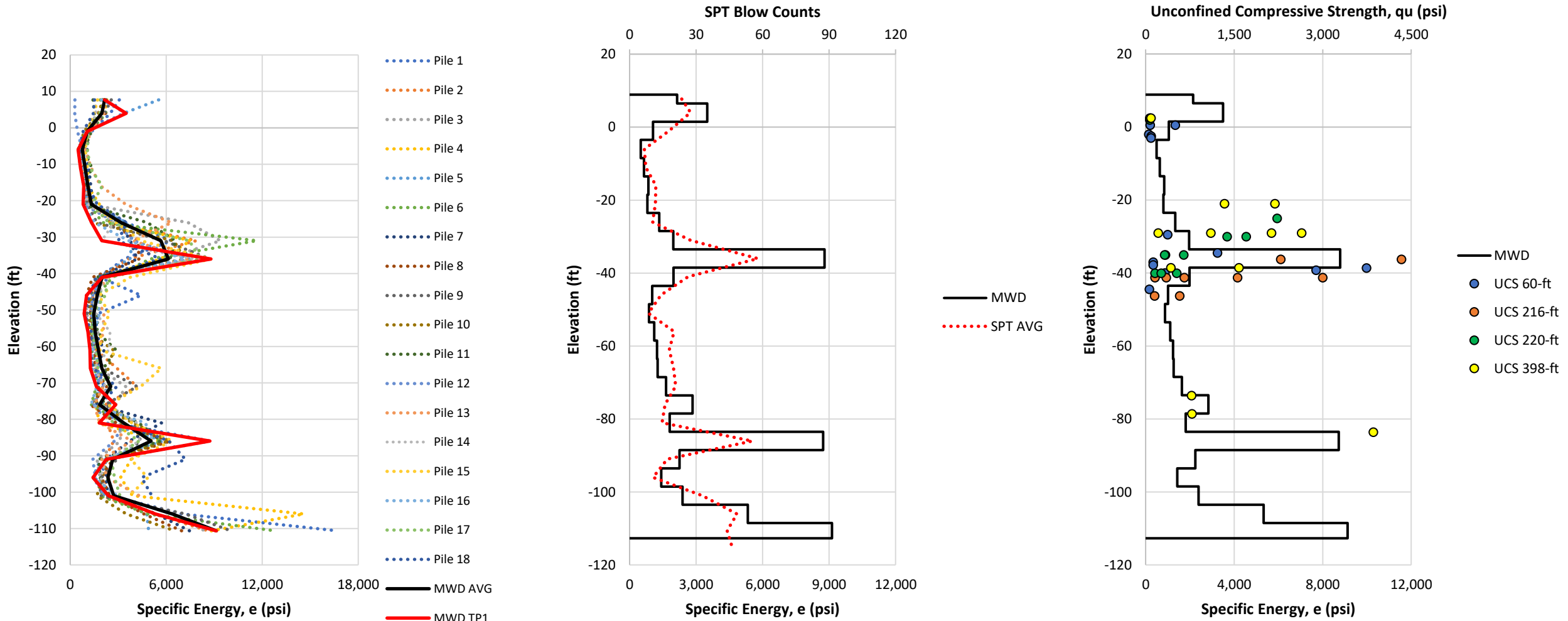
- Can we estimate test pile layering using adjacent pile group data that follows the behavior of measured test piles?
 - Required to get more data points to establish MWD specific energy – ACIP pile side shear correlation
- Compare MWD “e” from pile group to load test MWD within proximity
 - Load test MWD 50’ to 85’ from adjacent pile group
- Variability observed w/in 25’ by 25’ adjacent pile group
- Load test MWD shows similar layering as pile group MWD but does not always follow the mean
 - Test pile specific energy almost always falls within the maximum and minimum specific energy of the pile group
- Indicates MWD profile can be estimated in test pile locations without MWD in the footprint using adjacent pile group data
 - Assessed each pile in group based on original load test layering
 - Calculated mean, median, max, and min for each layer
 - Used these values to develop a theoretical test pile profile for comparison with mobilized unit side shear
 - Compared theoretical profile to SPT, rock cores, and load tests
 - Performed MultiPier simulations to compare modeled behavior to actual pile behavior measured during load tests

Test Pile B

*Not mobilized but had MWD data in footprint and in adjacent pile group

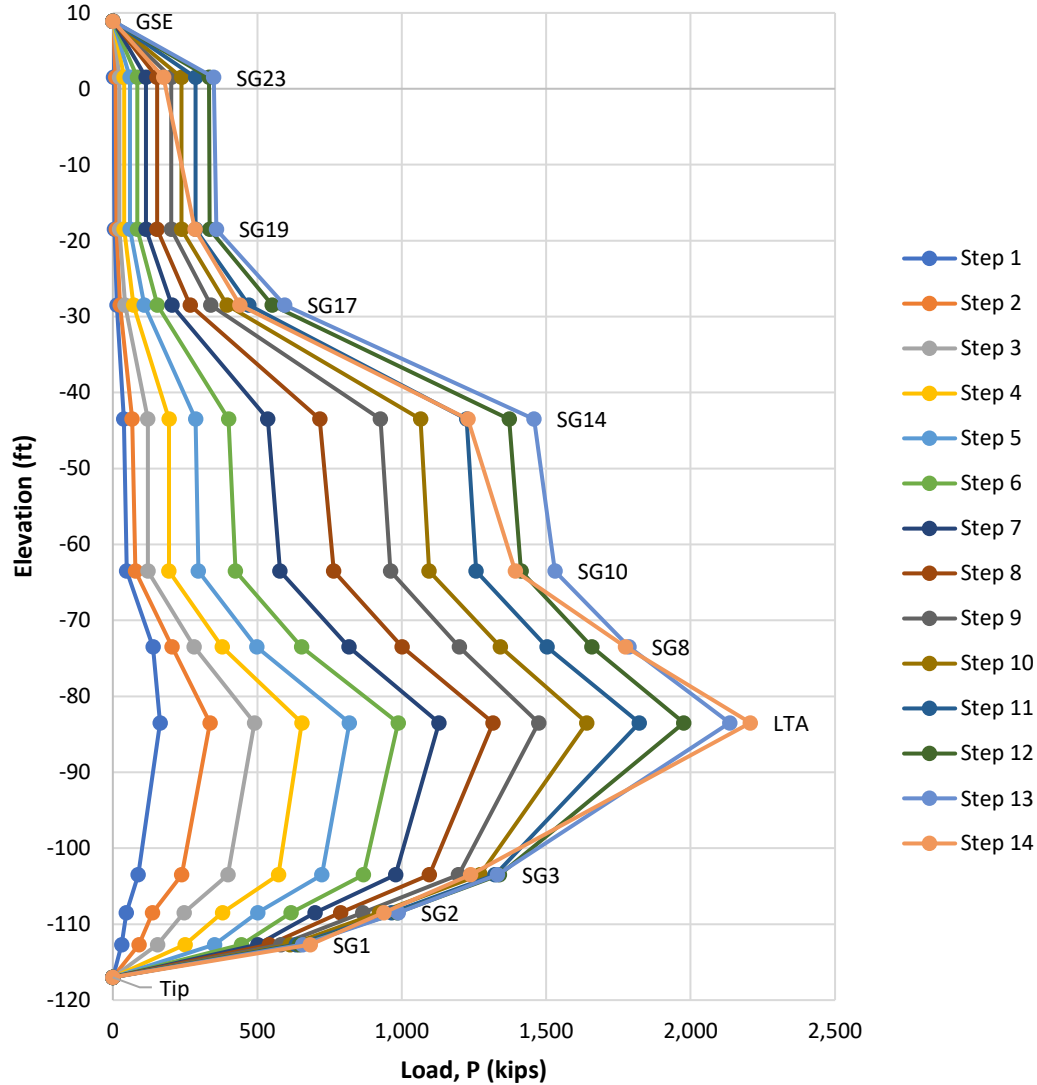


Developing MWD Profiles for Test Piles



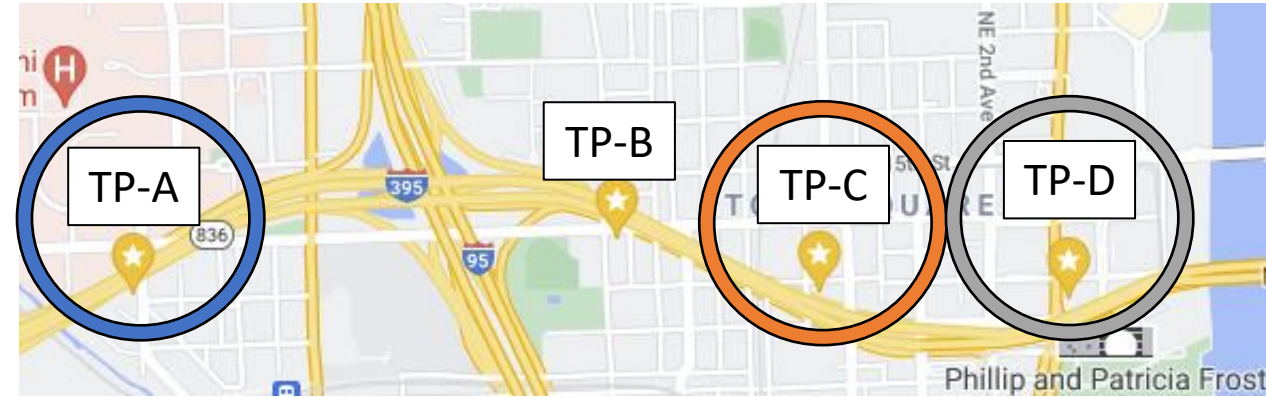
At Test Pile C - MWD, SPT, and Rock Cores all indicate similar layering

Building Correlation

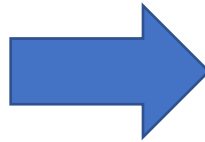


Load test layering agrees with MWD, SPT, and rock cores

Building Correlation



— MWD e
- - - Side Shear

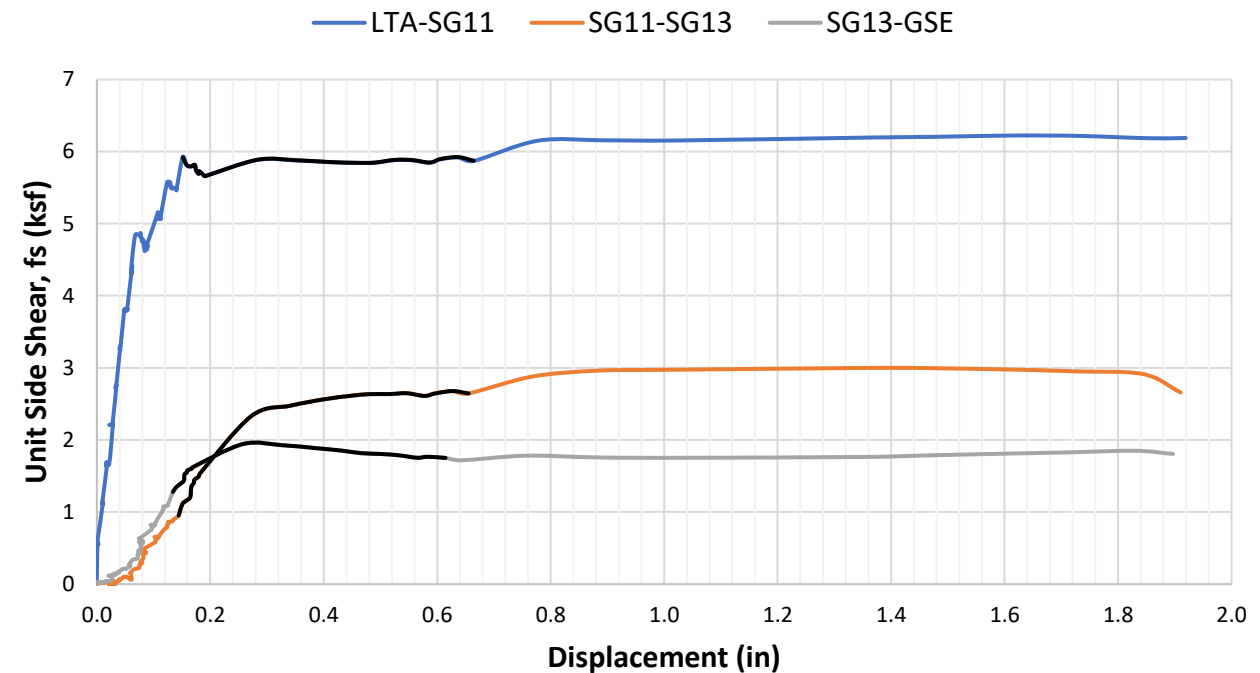
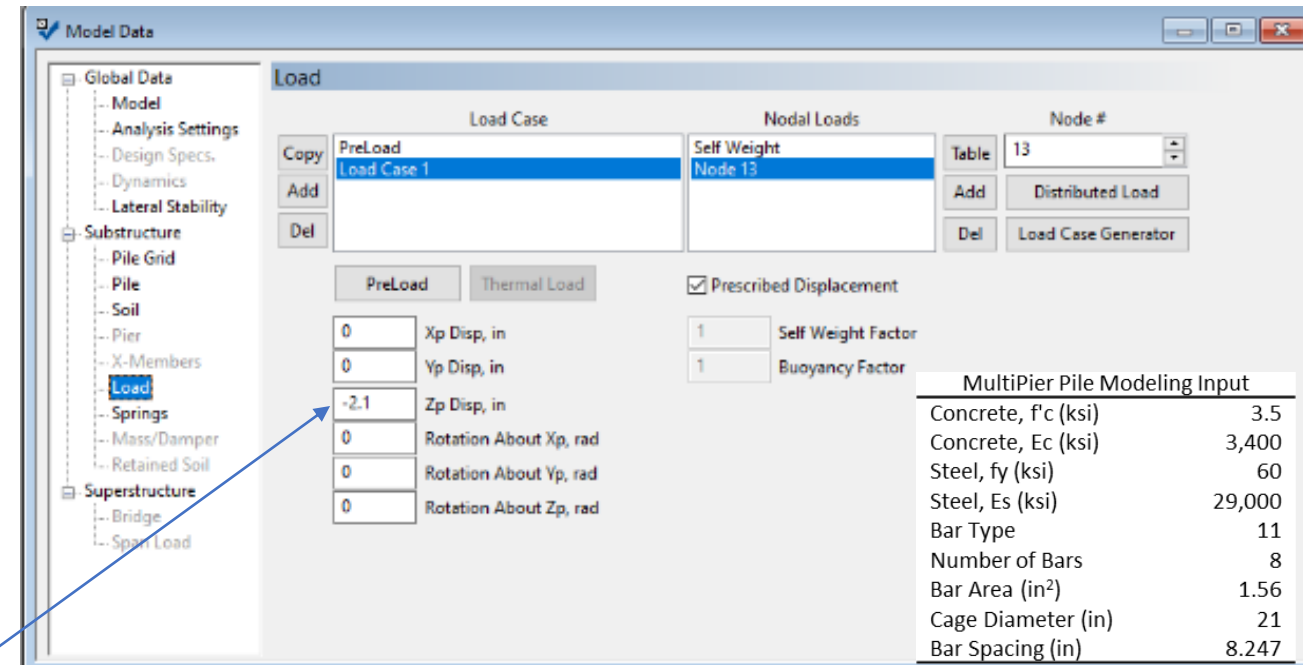


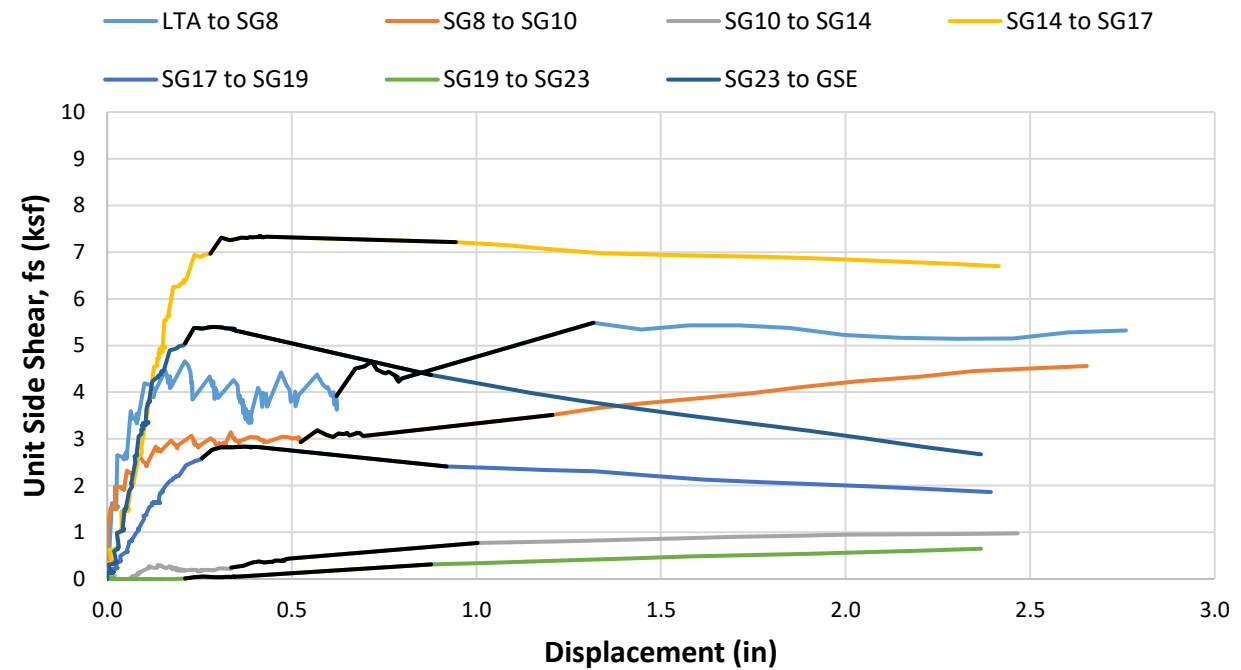
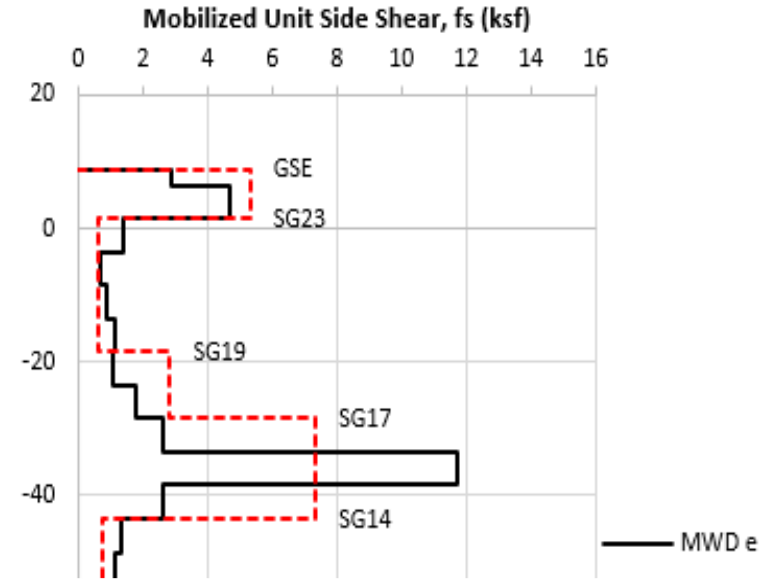
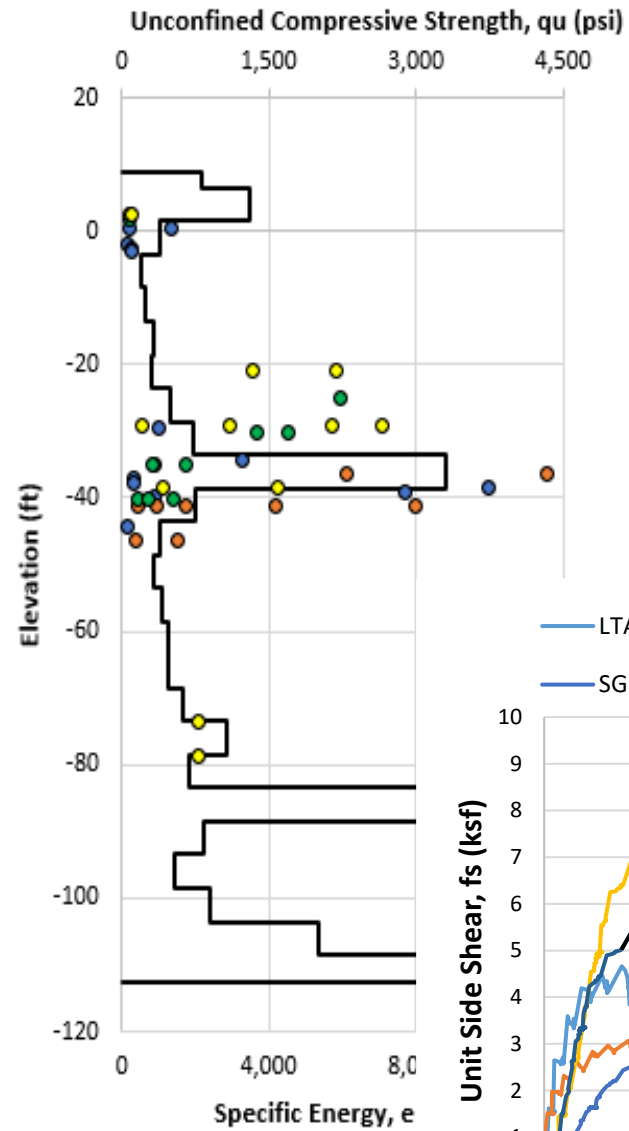
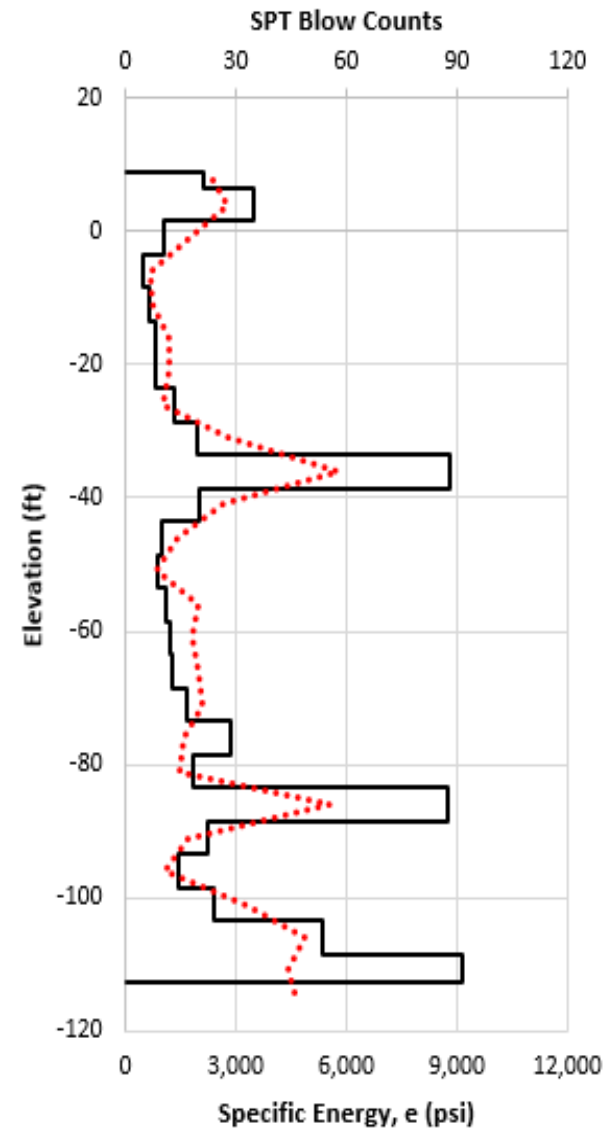
MultiPier Simulations using MWD Data

- Modeled Test Piles in MultiPier using MWD data and actual pile properties
 - Load tests were reanalyzed in larger layers
 - MWD was estimated in the footprint of two test piles used to build correlation
 - How well does the modeled pile behavior using the MWD inputs reflect the actual pile behavior measured during load tests?
 - LTA loads and expansion
 - Pile movement based on tell tales
- Modeled upper segments of mobilized Test Piles A and C
 - Upper segments were both fully mobilized
 - Isolated shear → no end bearing effects
 - ACIP pile MWD measures pile side shear

MultiPier Simulations

- Test Pile A was modeled first
 - MWD was conducted in the footprint of TP-A
 - TP-A boring indicated predominately rock
- Modeled q_u and f_s using MWD data
 - Unit weights estimated based on prior MWD correlations (Rodgers et al. 2019)
- Modeled test pile properties using load test pile rigidity and actual pile steel properties and layout
 - Pile diameters estimated from LT report and TIP data
- Used prescribed displacement based on actual LTA expansion measured during load test
 - 2.1" of upward expansion
- Modeled test pile was fully mobilized at a load of $P = 1,921$ kips
- Top of pile displacement at full mobilization was 1.87 inches
- Modeled pile behavior was in perfect agreement with the actual pile behavior
 - Pile fully mobilized after a load of $P = 1,989$ kips
 - Actual top of pile displacement was 1.87 inches





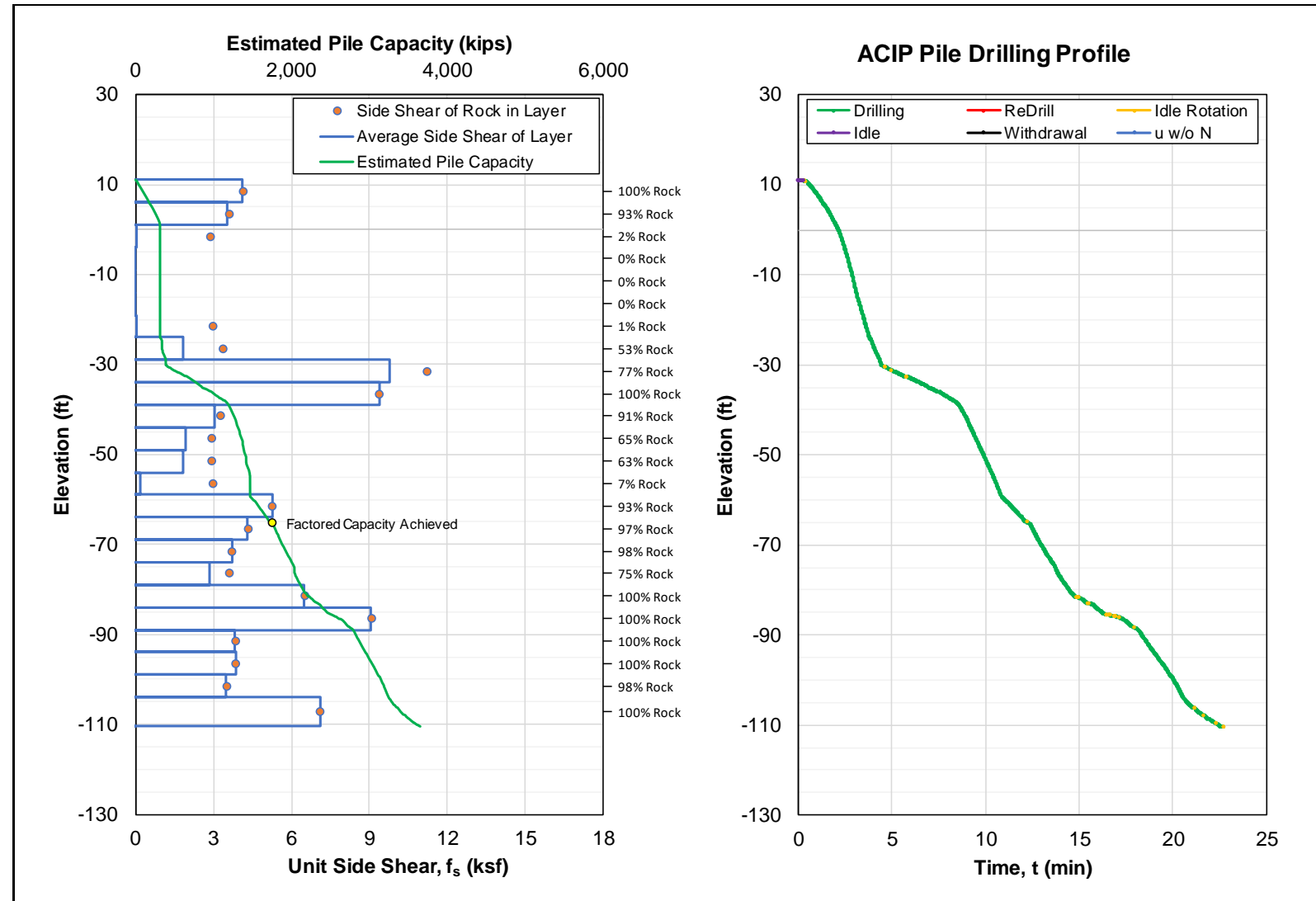
Determined Specific Energy Threshold for QA/QC

- Developed specific energy threshold for rock for MWD ACIP Pile QA/QC
 - $e = 1,250$ psi
 - Equates to $q_u = 88$ psi
- Any specific energy value less than 1,250 psi was discounted as rock
 - Does not count towards ACIP pile capacity in developed MWD QA/QC procedure
- Based on MWD and SPT data, modeled pile behavior, and prior MWD research
 - Prior MWD research indicated q_u of this strength would not count as competent rock in a true assessment of RQD → easily broken by hand
 - Simulated highly weathered / decomposed rock for MWD coring investigation
 - Core strengths ranged from 24 psi to 96 psi



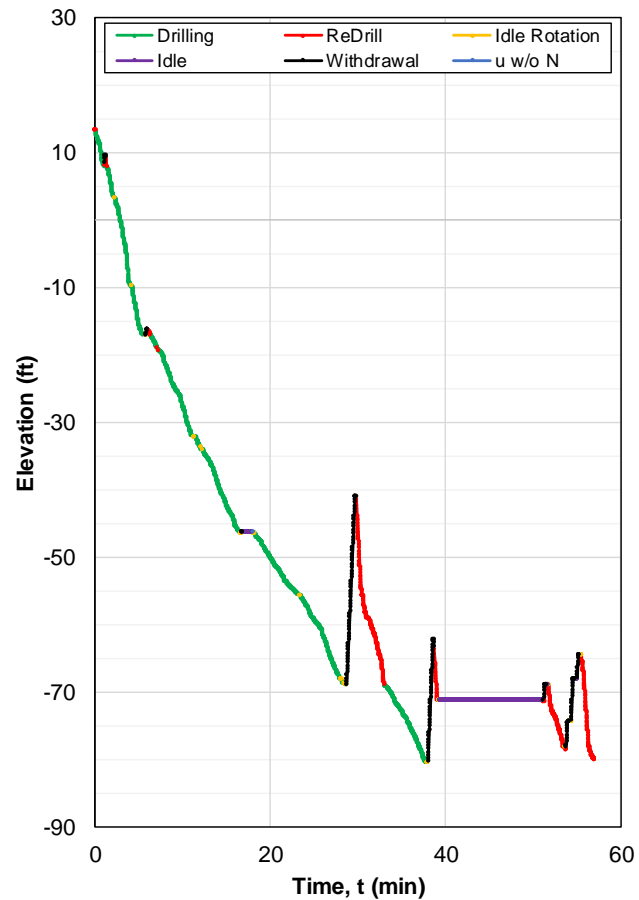
Pile Summary Report Strength and Drilling Profiles

- Indicates the side shear strength of rock in 5-ft layers
 - Orange circles
- Indicates % of rock per layer
 - Based on specific energy threshold of $e = 1,250$ psi
- Indicates average side shear per layer
 - Blue lines
 - Side shear adjusted based on % rock
 - FDOT methodology (e.g., $REC \times fs$)
- Provides pile capacity depth profile
 - Green line in strength profile
- Indicates when factored pile capacity is achieved
 - Factored Resistance > Factored Load
- Provides drilling profile
- Drilling profile closely resembles strength profile
 - Prior MWD work indicated that torque and penetration rate are the true indicators of rock strength

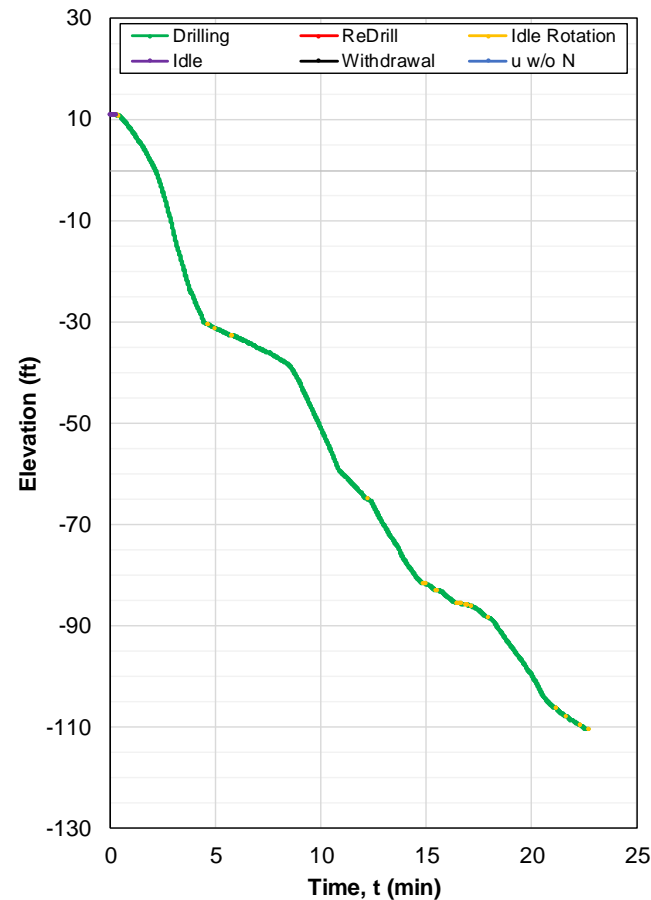


Drill Rig Performance Comparison

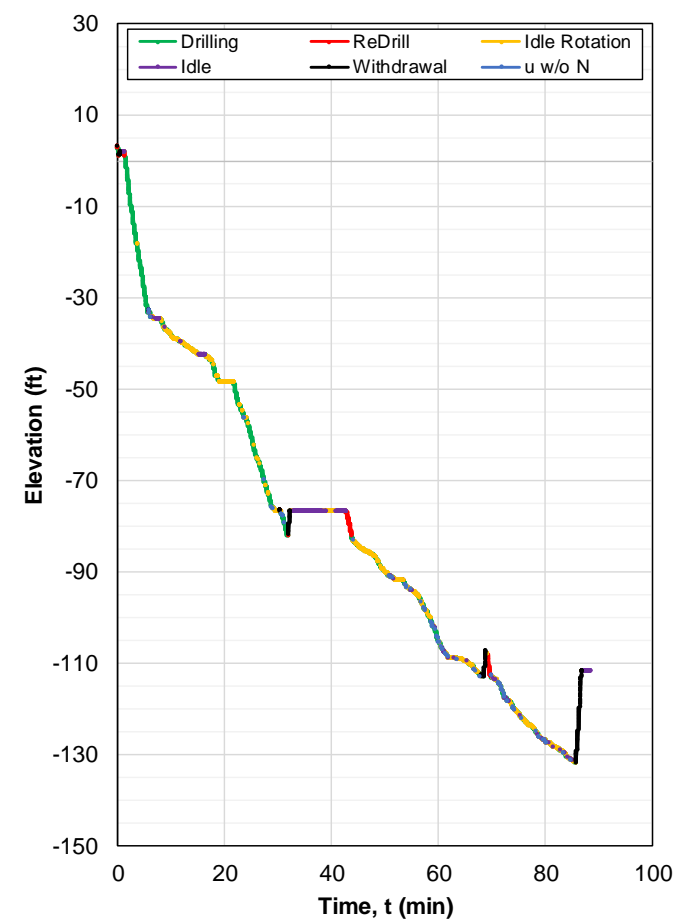
Smaller drill rig in
fs = 3.8 ksf rock



Larger drill rig in
fs = 3.8 ksf rock

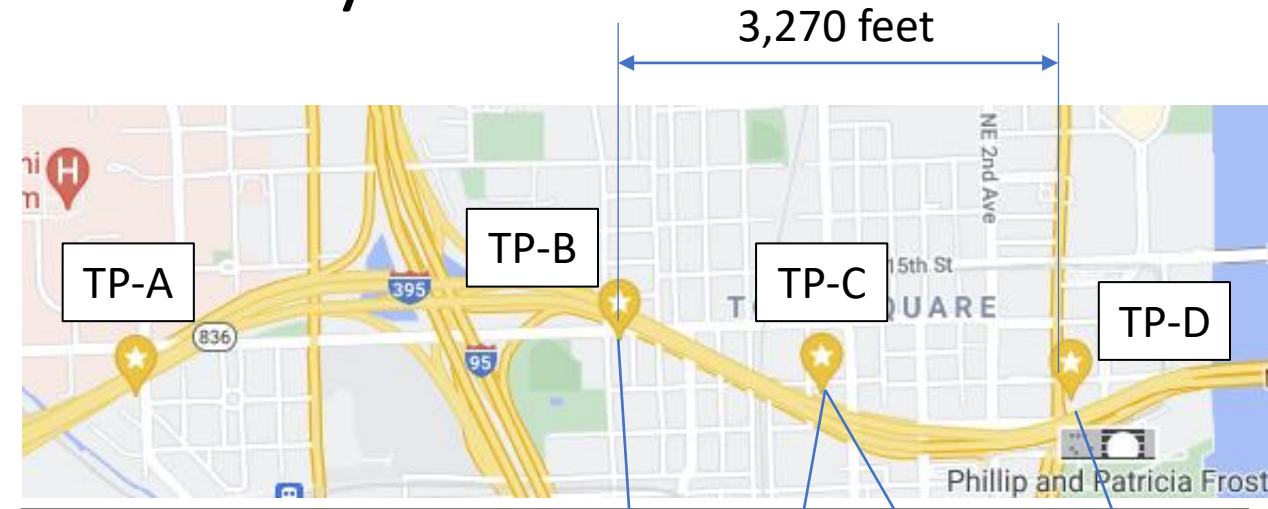


Larger drill rig in
fs = 6.2 ksf rock



QA/QC Summary

- Assessed the capacity of 50 production piles from 4 different pile groups
- All production piles assessed passed QA/QC inspection
- Observed trends of decreasing rock strength and socket length moving East to West
 - Rock socket per pile length
 - Average pile side shear
 - Factored and unfactored capacity
 - C/D Ratio

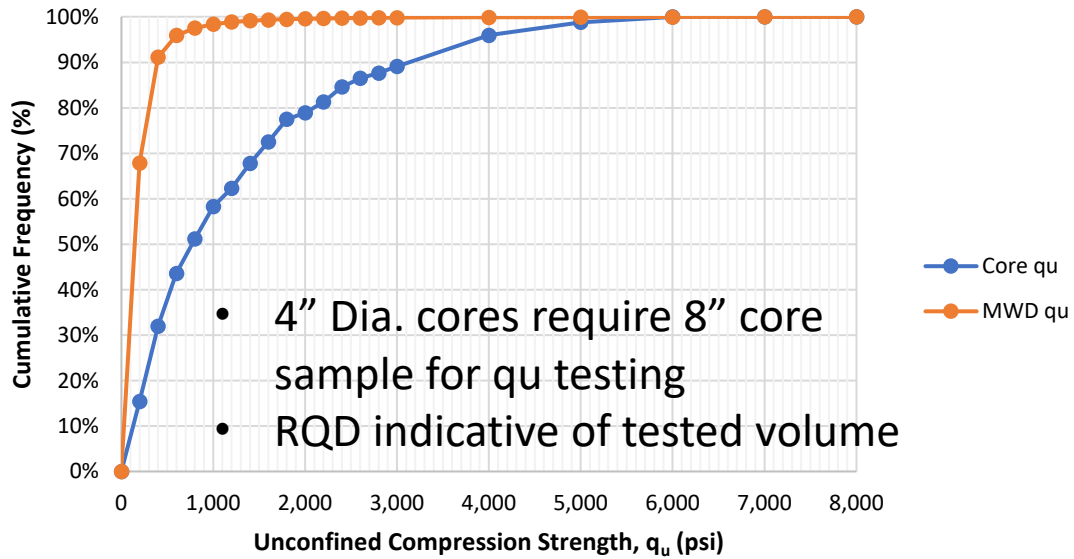


Category	Pile Group Averages			
	PG-B	PG-C2	PG-C1	PG-D
Pile Length (ft)	94.1	111.4	121.5	135.0
Total Rock Socket Length (ft)	56.8	81.0	89.0	99.2
Rock Socket per Pile Length	0.604	0.727	0.733	0.735
Pile Side Shear, fs (ksf)	3.3	4.0	4.2	5.7
Unfactored Pile Capacity (kips)	2,432	3,497	4,018	6,005
Factored Pile Capacity (kips)	1,459	2,098	2,411	3,603
Factored Design Load (kips)	1,070	980	920	1,050
C/D Ratio for LRFD $\Phi = 0.6$	1.4	2.1	2.6	3.4

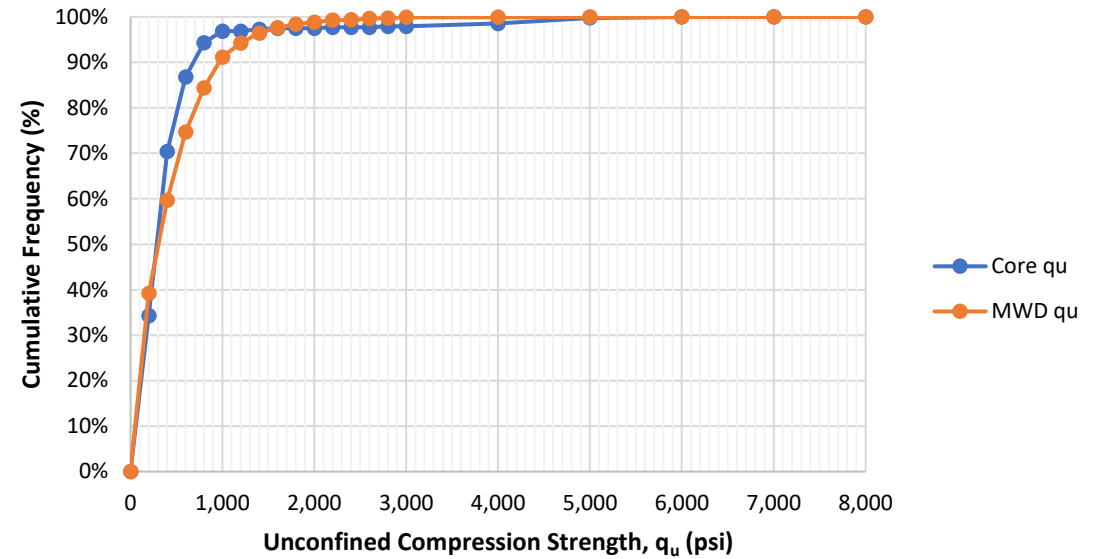
LRFD ϕ Analysis

- Task 4 – LRFD Phi Assessment of FDOT Design Methods of ACIP piles in South Florida
 - Lack of core data within the vicinity of test piles
 - Incomplete strength distribution available for LRFD analyses
 - FDOT efforts significantly increased the number of tested cores
 - At deeper depths, the majority of core samples collected were higher strength rock
 - Used RQD to adjust the strength distribution
- Task 5 – LRFD Phi Assessment of MWD Specific Energy for ACIP Pile Axial Capacity QA/QC
 - MWD was assessed as q_u strengths outside the footprint of test piles using production pile data within the vicinity (<100 ft)
 - Simulates MWD site investigation and quantifies the true strength distribution and spatial variability effects on capacity estimations
 - MWD QA/QC performed in the footprint of test piles
 - Removes the spatial variability component of pile capacity estimates
 - ϕ ranged from 0.98 to 0.76 for a Beta range of 2 to 4
 - Shows incredible potential for QA/QC

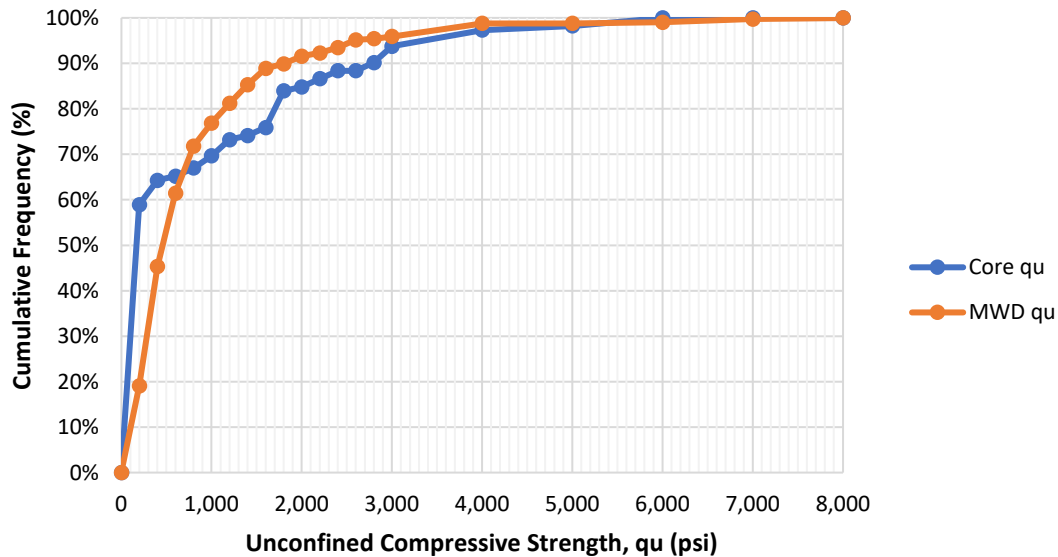
South Florida ACIP Pile Site



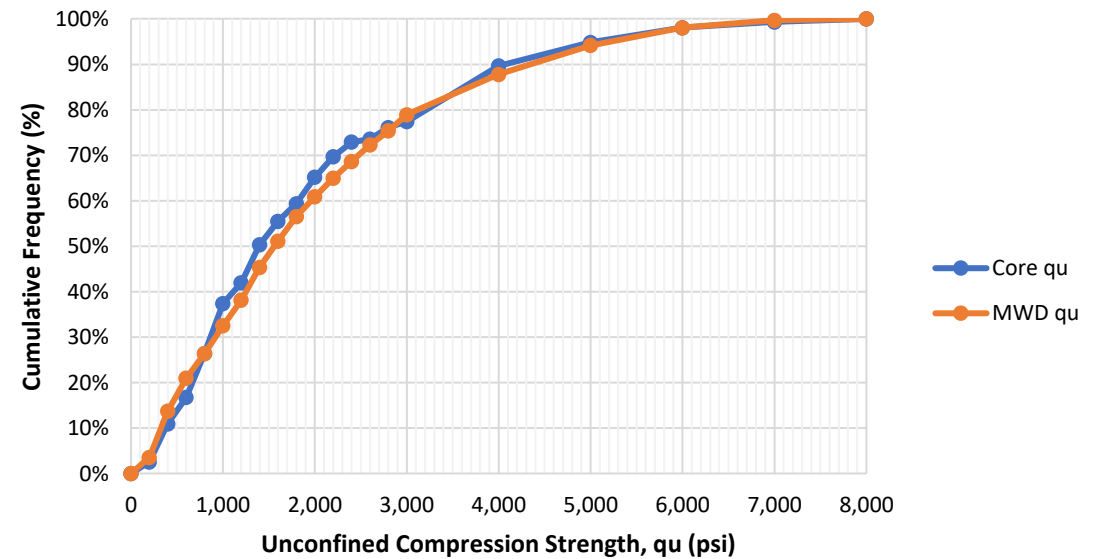
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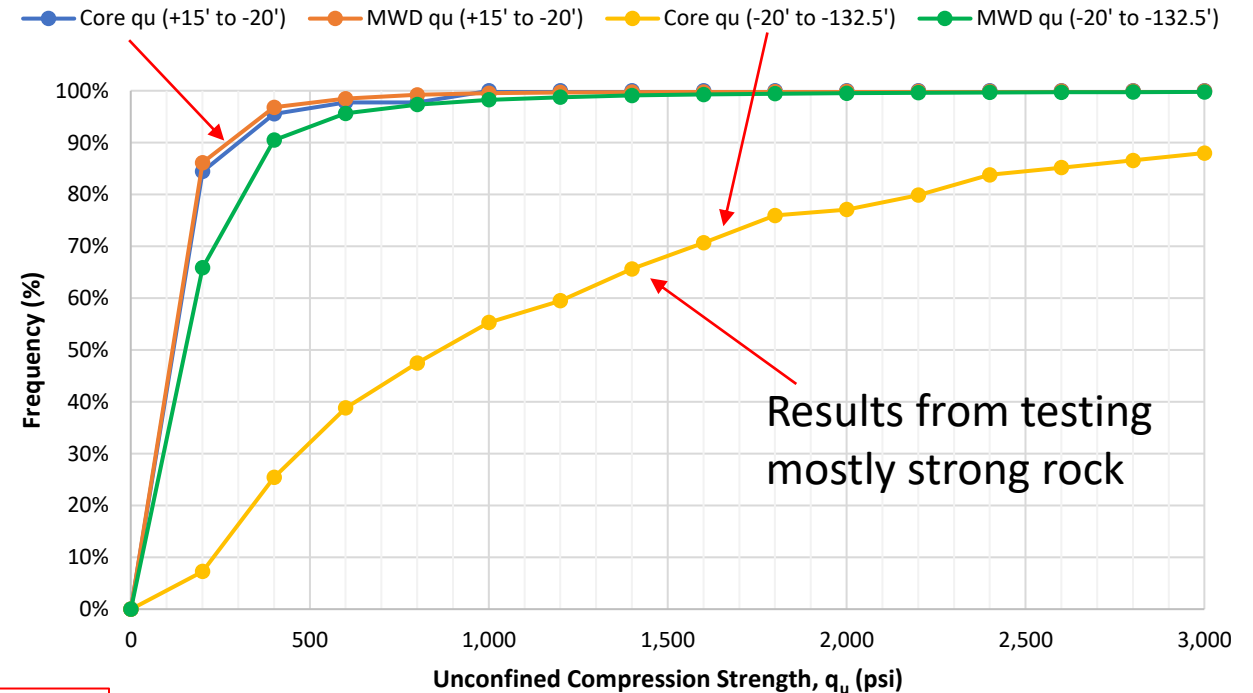


Perry



Miami vs. Fort Thompson Formation

- Cumulative frequency distributions were very similar in top 35 feet
 - Further validates MWD strengths
- Core distribution deviates from MWD below El. -20 feet
- Difference in cumulative frequency is due to core size, variable limestone formation, drilling depth, and drilling practices
 - Eccentric rotation
 - Over-crowding the bit
 - Coring outside the operational limits damages core samples and reduces REC and RQD
 - Rodgers et al. 2021 proved this
 - Lower strength rock is more effected
 - Quantified in controlled experiments



$q_u \approx 1,000$ psi
REC = 98%
RQD = 38%



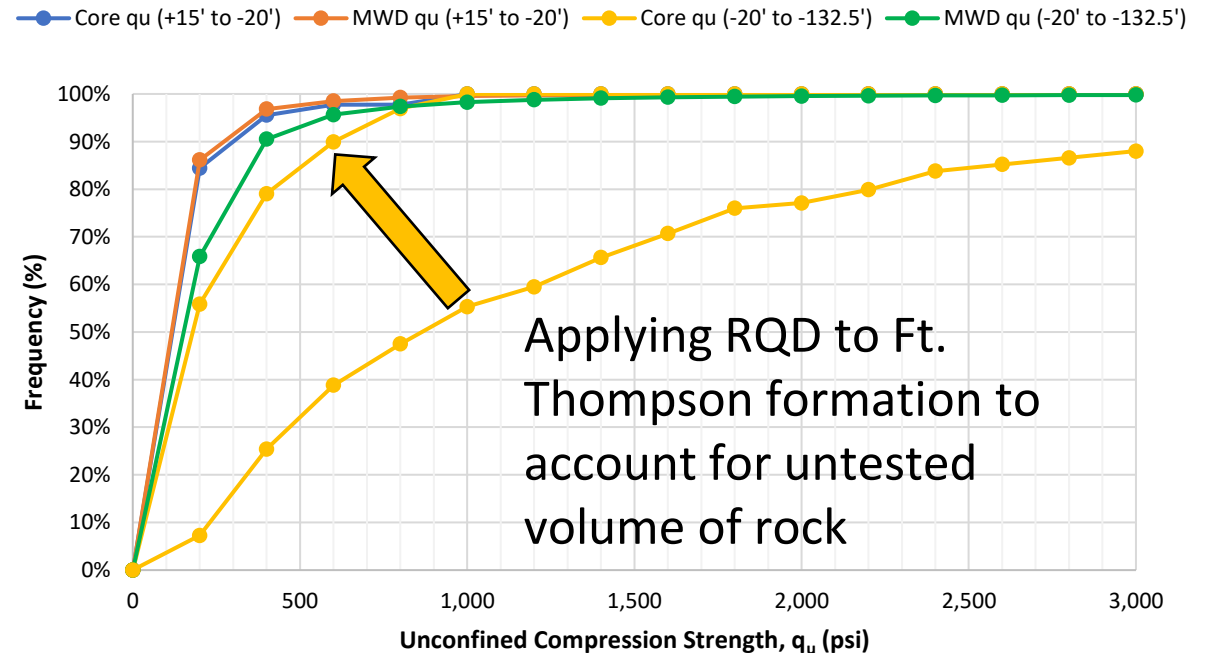
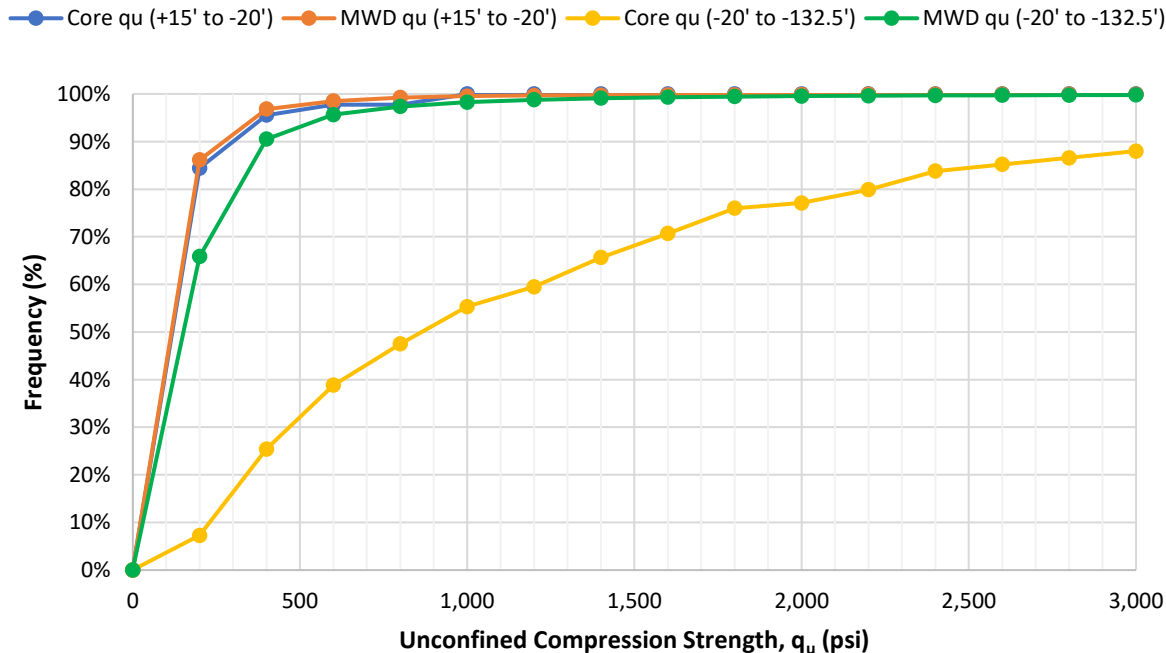
$q_u \approx 400$ psi
REC = 75%
RQD = 0%



***For rock w/ $q_u \approx 200$ psi \rightarrow REC = RQD = 0% when overcrowding**

Applying RQD to Account for Untested Volume

- AVG REC = 42%
- AVG RQD = 19% (81% of volume investigated was not tested)
 - Smallest testable sample size is 4" → RQD is more representative of tested volume
- Applied RQD to Ft. Thompson formation to account for untested volume



Why use RQD instead of REC?

- REC is indicating the volume of rock that was recovered
- RQD is indicating the volume of rock that was tested
- We know from our MWD rock coring project that when we core outside the operational limits, we damage core samples and reduce REC and RQD
 - We are not recovering or testing the entire volume of rock encountered
- We need to account for the strength of the missing volume of rock that was not testable
 - We must assume the missing strengths to be zero
- We also know from the MWD rock coring project that drilling outside the operational limits has a greater effect on lower strength rock
 - We tend to only recover the higher strength rock
- Using REC places more emphasis on the higher strength rock that was recovered and testable
 - In many cases this double counts the higher strength rock which may not provide a proportional strength reduction
- Using RQD places the proper emphasis on the higher strength rock that was testable and anything that wasn't testable is considered zero
 - This provides a proportional strength reduction to account for the missing volume of rock that was not tested

Why use RQD instead of REC?

- AVG REC = 42% *Average Core $q_u = 1,206 \text{ psi}$* 422 qu data points
- AVG RQD = 19% *Average MWD $q_u = 223 \text{ psi}$* 120,458 qu data points
- $42 / 19 = 2.21$
- We are multiplying the higher strength rock by 2.21 and then averaging this value with zero from the missing volume
- REC approach:
$$\text{Core } q_u = (1,206 \text{ psi} * 0.42) + (0 \text{ psi} * 0.58) = 507 \text{ psi}$$
- RQD approach
$$\text{Core } q_u = (1,206 \text{ psi} * 0.19) + (0 \text{ psi} * 0.81) = 229 \text{ psi}$$

LRFD Analyses

- 10 mobilized load test segments with core data in the vicinity of the ACIP test pile location
 - Signature Bridge, I-395, SR-836
 - $R_{\text{measured}}/R_{\text{predicted}} = \text{Bias } (\lambda_R)$
- 3 LRFD Methods
 - FOSM
 - Styler
 - Pre-Styler
 - Monte Carlo
 - 50,000 trials per simulation
- 6 Reliability Indexes, β
 - 2, 2.33, 2.5, 3, 3.5, 4
 - 2.33 for redundant piles and shafts
 - 3 for nonredundant piles and shafts
- $Q_{\text{DL}}/Q_{\text{LL}} = 3$
 - Based on McVay et al. (2000)
- 19 Design Methods
 - SPT, Core q_u , MWD q_u
- 342 LRFD assessments
- Developed ϕ vs. β curves
- SPT Blow Counts
 - Crapps
 - Ramos
 - Frizzi
 - Herrera
- Core q_u – Rock core strengths
 - McVay et al.
 - Gupton & Logan
 - Reese & O'Neill
 - FDOT (+/-) 1-StdDev
 - Herrera
 - Herrera using old C w/ RQD in Fort Thompson
 - Herrera using new C w/ RQD in Fort Thompson
- MWD q_u – Simulate MWD coring outside footprint
 - McVay et al.
 - Gupton & Logan
 - Reese & O'Neill
 - FDOT (+/-) 1-StdDev
 - Herrera
- MWD f_s - MWD within the footprint
 - ACIP
 - ACIP and DS rock augers
 - All MWD bored piles

FOSM (Pre-Styler)

The resistance factor, ϕ , recommended by AASHTO and FHWA is referred to as the first order second moment (FOSM). According to Barker et al. 1991 and Withiam et al. 1997, using an assumption of log-normal distribution function for resistance (R_n) and bias factors (λ_R , λ_{QD} , and λ_{QL}), the resistance factor, ϕ , can be obtained using the following equation:

$$\Phi = \frac{\lambda_R \left(\gamma_D \frac{Q_D}{Q_L} + \gamma_L \right) \sqrt{\frac{1 + COV_{QD}^2 + COV_{QL}^2}{1 + COV_R^2}}}{\left(\lambda_{QD} \frac{Q_D}{Q_L} + \lambda_{QL} \right) \exp \left(\beta_T \sqrt{\ln \left[(1 + COV_R^2) (1 + COV_{QD}^2 + COV_{QL}^2) \right]} \right)}$$

- γ_D = dead load factor = 1.25
- γ_L = live load factor = 1.75
- Q_D/Q_L = dead/live load ratio = 1 to 3
- λ_R = Resistance bias factor
- COV_R = resistance coefficient of variability
- λ_{QD} = dead load bias factor = 1.08
- λ_{QL} = live load bias factor = 1.15
- COV_{QD} = dead load coefficient of variability = 0.128
- COV_{QL} = live load coefficient of variability = 0.180
- β_T = Target reliability index = 2 to 4

Note: The provided values for each LRFD component are based on AASHTO and FHWA recommendations.

FOSM (Styler)

$$\Phi = \frac{\lambda_R \left(\gamma_D \frac{Q_D}{Q_L} + \gamma_L \right) \sqrt{\frac{1 + COV_{QD}^2 + COV_{QL}^2}{1 + COV_R^2}}}{\left(\lambda_{QD} \frac{Q_D}{Q_L} + \lambda_{QL} \right) \exp \left(\beta_T \sqrt{\ln \left[(1 + COV_R^2) (1 + COV_{QD}^2 + COV_{QL}^2) \right]} \right)}$$

$$\phi = \frac{\lambda_R \left(\gamma_D \cdot \frac{Q_D}{Q_L} + \gamma_L \right) \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1 + COV_Q^2}{1 + COV_R^2}}}{\left(\lambda_{QD} \cdot \frac{Q_D}{Q_L} + \lambda_{QL} \right) \cdot \exp \left(\beta \cdot \sqrt{\ln \left((1 + COV_R^2) \cdot (1 + COV_Q^2) \right)} \right)}$$

$$COV_Q^2 = \frac{\left(\lambda_{QD} \cdot \frac{Q_D}{Q_L} \cdot COV_{QD} \right)^2 + \left(\lambda_{QL} \cdot COV_{QL} \right)^2}{\left(\lambda_{QD} \cdot \frac{Q_D}{Q_L} \right)^2 + 2 \cdot \frac{Q_D}{Q_L} \cdot \lambda_{QD} \cdot \lambda_{QL} + \lambda_{QL}^2}$$

- COV_Q is the coefficient of variation with respect to loading as stipulated by Styler (2006) where COV_{QD} is combined with COV_{QL} into one COV term
- The first-order second-moment (FOSM) LRFD ϕ using the Styler (2006) representation of COV_Q has been shown to be within 3% of the first order reliability method (FORM) LRFD ϕ (Styler 2006)

Monte Carlo

$$g = \phi R - \gamma_{LL} LL - \gamma_{DL} DL$$

- γ_{LL} and γ_{DL} are live and dead load factors
- R is the nominal resistance bias
- LL and DL are the live load and dead load bias, respectively
- All of which are described as random variables
- Each of the random variables (R, DL, and LL) were modeled with a lognormal distribution (better PDF match than normal dist.)
- AASHTO live and dead load summary statistics were employed

Monte Carlo

$$g = \phi R - \gamma_{LL} LL - \gamma_{DL} DL$$

- The assessment of LRFD phi for associated target reliability index was performed as follows:
 - Select a resistance factor ϕ ;
 - Independently randomly generate N (50,000) trial values of LL, DL and R using Monte Carlo with bias summary statistics
 - For each trial value of LL, DL and R, the function $g(x_i)$ (shown above) was evaluated;
 - Based on all the trials, the number of cases in which $g(x_i) \leq 0$ was tallied and the probability of failure was computed as,

$$P_f = \frac{\text{count}(g(x_i))}{N}$$

- Using the inverse of the standard normal cumulative function, Φ , the reliability index, $\beta = \Phi^{-1}(P_f)$ is found;
- If the reliability index, β , is less than or larger than the target values, β_T (e.g., 2.33, 3.0, etc.), the resistance factor ϕ is adjusted upward or downward until $|\beta - \beta_T| < \textit{tolerance}$

LRFD Analyses

LRFD Analysis - ACIP Piles - South Florida Limestone - $\beta = 2.33$				
LRFD Method	Category	Design Method	ϕ	ϕ / λ
FOSM - Pre-Styler	SPT - N	Crapps	0.16	42%
		Ramos	0.16	44%
		Frizzi	0.17	41%
		Herrera	0.21	45%
	Core qu	McVay et al.	0.50	54%
		Gupton & Logan	0.42	51%
		Reese & O'neill	0.56	51%
		FDOT (+/-) 1 Std Dev	0.54	47%
	Herrera qu	Herrera Old C w/ REC	0.14	27%
		Herrera Old C w/ RQD	0.53	51%
		Herrera New C w/ RQD	0.58	52%
		Herrera w/ MWD qu	0.27	48%
	MWD qu	McVay et al.	0.58	57%
		Gupton & Logan	0.38	45%
		Reese & O'neill	0.50	45%
		FDOT (+/-) 1 Std Dev	0.68	56%
	MWD fs	ACIP Piles	0.75	75%
		ACIP & DS Rock Augers	0.75	75%
		ACIP & DS All Data	0.75	75%

LRFD Analysis - ACIP Piles - South Florida Limestone - $\beta = 2.33$				
LRFD Method	Category	Design Method	ϕ	ϕ / λ
FOSM - Styler	SPT - N	Crapps	0.18	46%
		Ramos	0.17	47%
		Frizzi	0.18	45%
		Herrera	0.23	50%
	Core qu	McVay et al.	0.56	60%
		Gupton & Logan	0.46	56%
		Reese & O'neill	0.62	56%
		FDOT (+/-) 1 Std Dev	0.59	51%
	Herrera qu	Herrera Old C w/ REC	0.14	29%
		Herrera Old C w/ RQD	0.59	57%
		Herrera New C w/ RQD	0.65	57%
		Herrera w/ MWD qu	0.30	53%
	MWD qu	McVay et al.	0.66	64%
		Gupton & Logan	0.41	49%
		Reese & O'neill	0.55	49%
		FDOT (+/-) 1 Std Dev	0.76	63%
	MWD fs	ACIP Piles	0.94	94%
		ACIP & DS Rock Augers	0.94	94%
		ACIP & DS All Data	0.94	94%

LRFD Analysis - ACIP Piles - South Florida Limestone - $\beta = 2.33$				
LRFD Method	Category	Design Method	ϕ	ϕ / λ
Monte Carlo	SPT - N	Crapps	0.17	43%
		Ramos	0.16	45%
		Frizzi	0.18	43%
		Herrera	0.22	47%
	Core qu	McVay et al.	0.54	58%
		Gupton & Logan	0.45	54%
		Reese & O'neill	0.59	54%
		FDOT (+/-) 1 Std Dev	0.57	49%
	Herrera qu	Herrera Old C w/ REC	0.13	26%
		Herrera Old C w/ RQD	0.57	55%
		Herrera New C w/ RQD	0.62	55%
		Herrera w/ MWD qu	0.29	51%
	MWD qu	McVay et al.	0.64	62%
		Gupton & Logan	0.39	47%
		Reese & O'neill	0.52	47%
		FDOT (+/-) 1 Std Dev	0.74	60%
	MWD fs	ACIP Piles	0.93	94%
		ACIP & DS Rock Augers	0.93	93%
		ACIP & DS All Data	0.94	94%

$$\beta = 2.33$$

SPT LRFD Methods

- Crapps:

$$f_s = 0.8 * N - 10.4, \quad \text{for } N \geq 11$$

- Ramos:

$$f_s = 0.4 * N + 4, \quad \text{for } 60 \geq N \geq 5$$

$$f_s = 0.2 * N + 16, \quad \text{for } N > 60$$

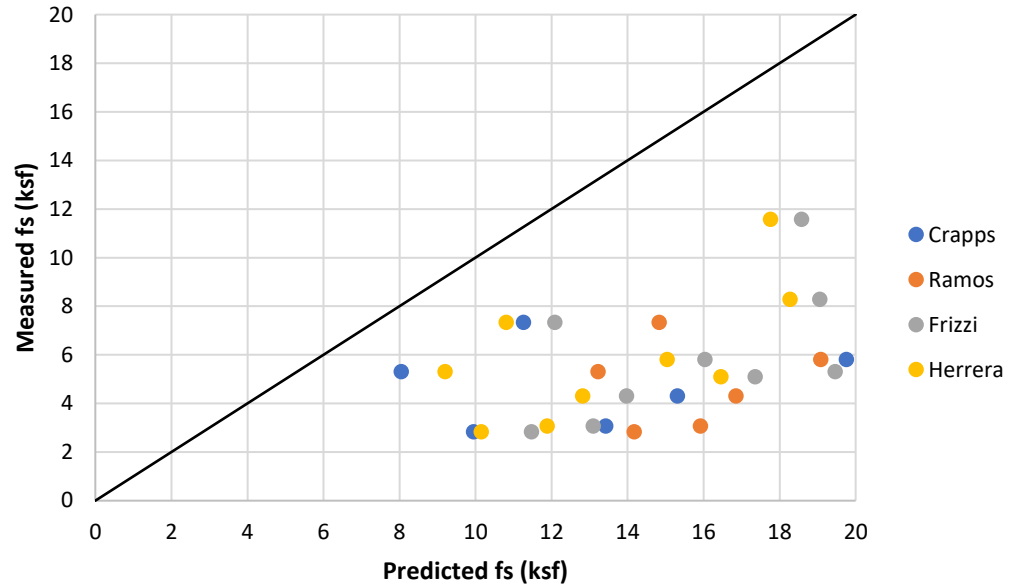
- Frizzi:

$$f_s = (0.35 * N - 1) * 2 (ksf/tsf)$$

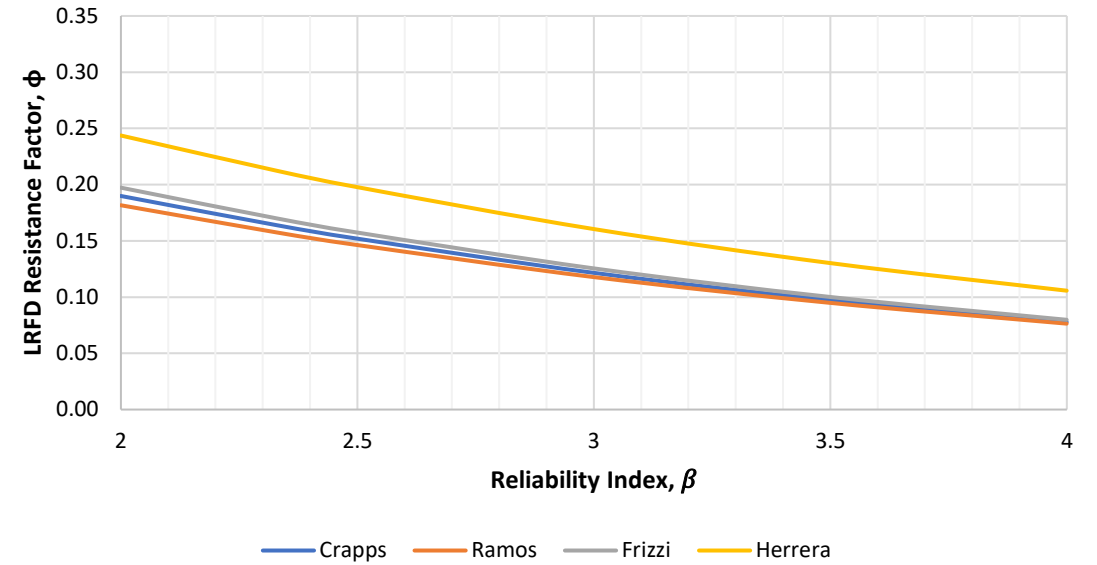
- Herrera:

$$f_s = 0.15 * N * 2 (ksf/tsf)$$

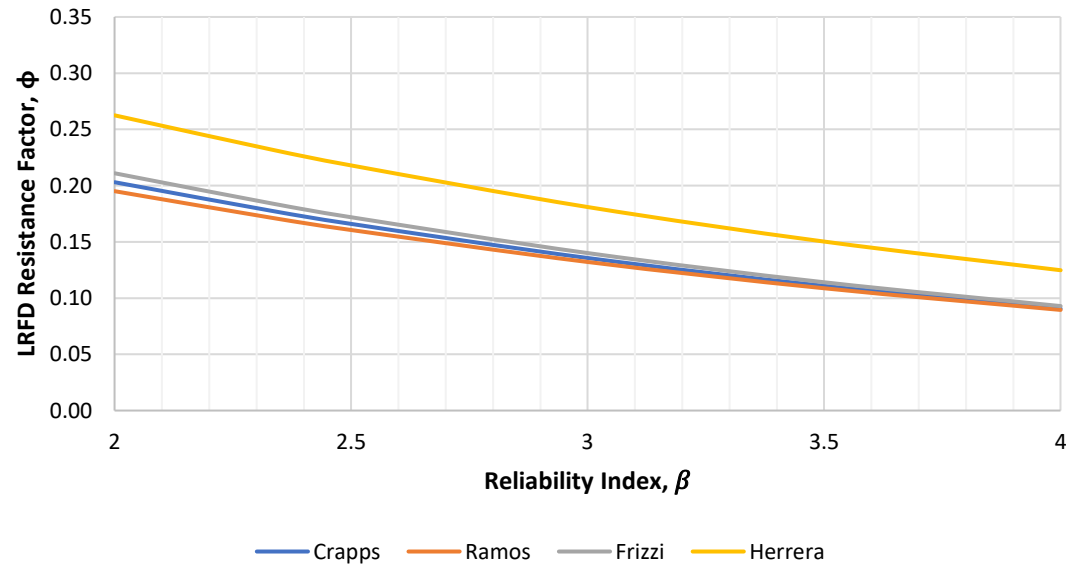
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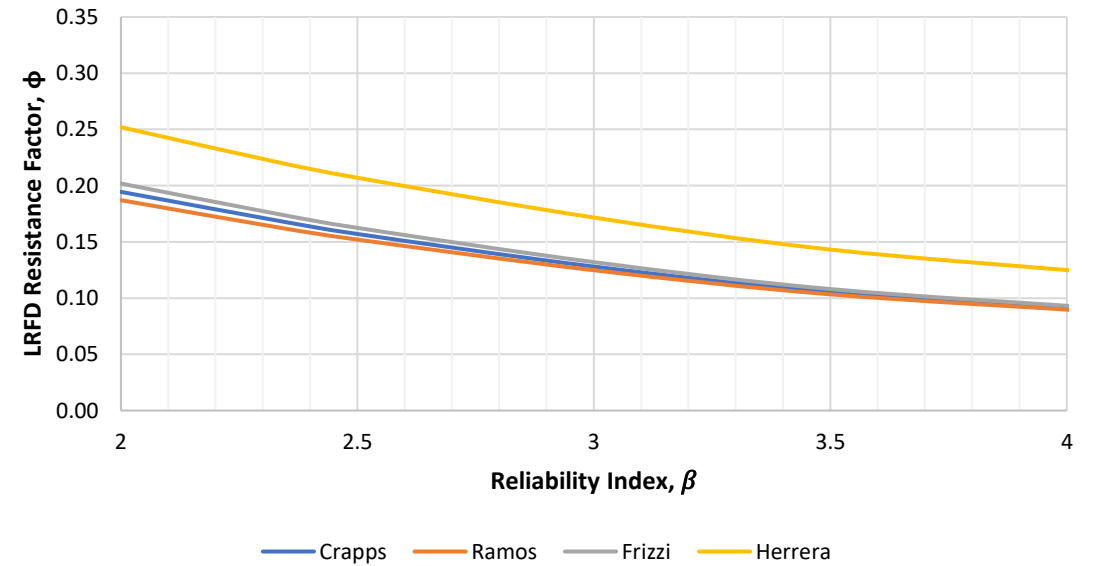
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FOSM (Styler) - SPT N



Monte Carlo - SPT N



Core qu LRFD Methods

Note: For all methods RQD was only used in Fort Thompson formation to account for untested volume of rock. REC and RQD were not used in Miami formation because the distribution did not require adjustment

- McVay et al.:

$$f_s = 1/2 * \sqrt{q_u} * \sqrt{q_t} * RQD \rightarrow FL \text{ Geomaterials EQN used to estimate } q_t$$

- Gupton and Logan:

$$f_s = 0.2 * q_u * RQD * 2 \text{ (ksf/tsf)}$$

- Reese and O'Neill:

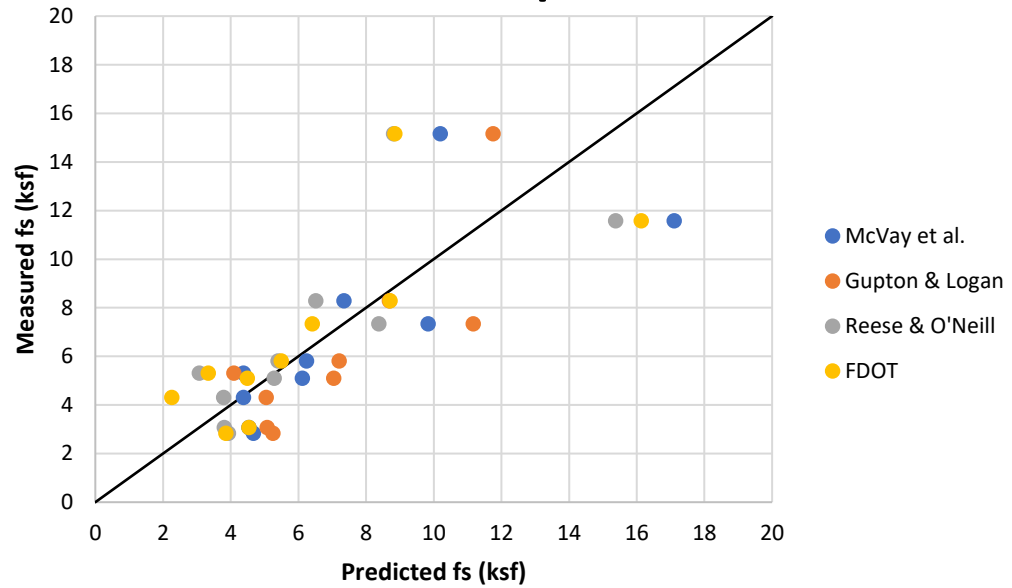
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- FDOT:

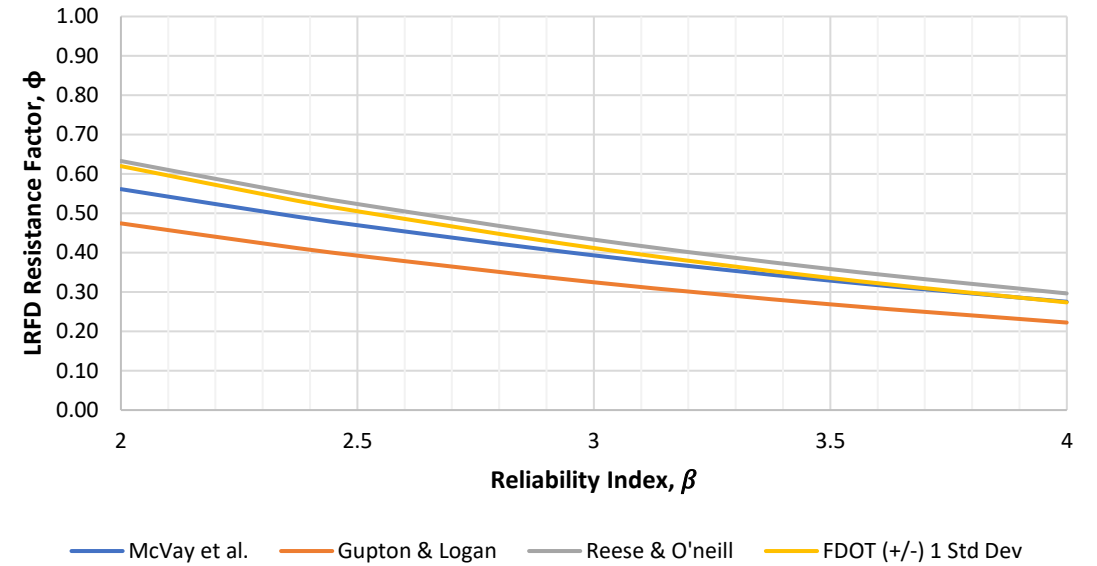
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$$f_s = 1/2 * \sqrt{q_u} * \sqrt{q_t} * RQD \rightarrow FL \text{ Geomaterials EQN used to estimate } q_t$$

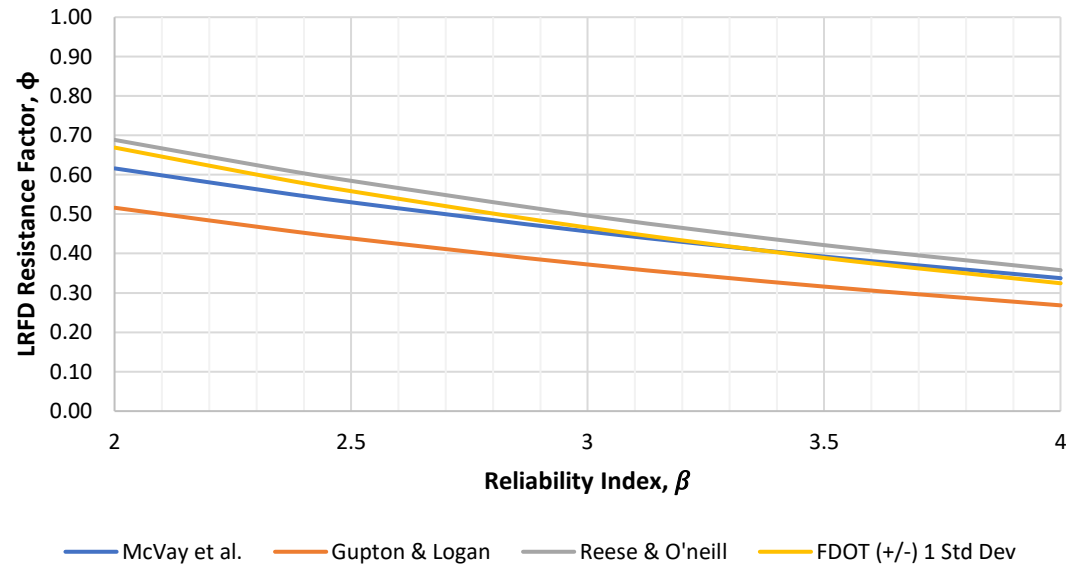
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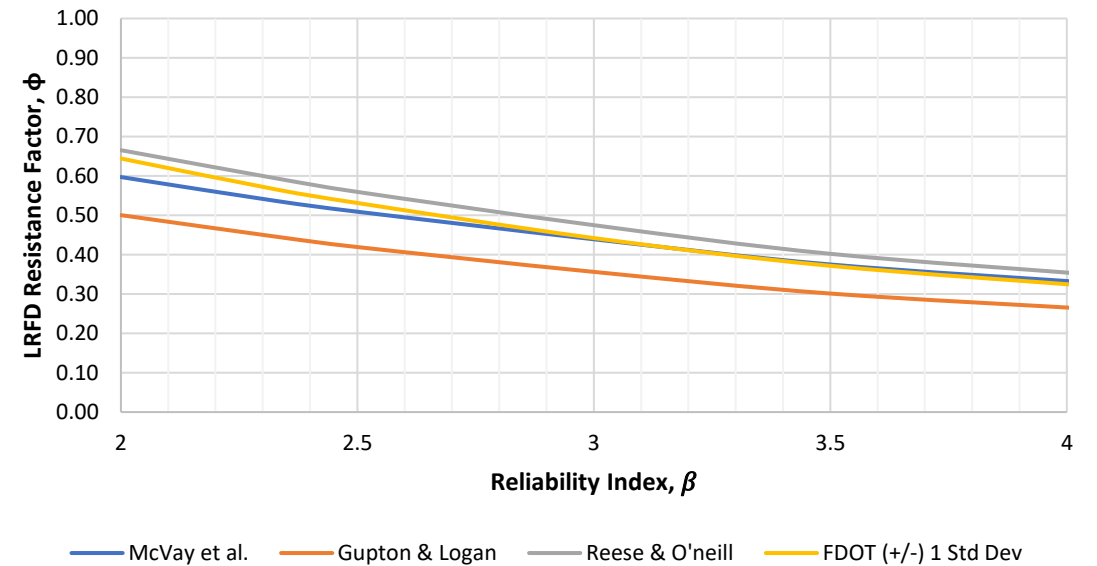
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FOSM (Styler) - Core qu



Monte Carlo - Core qu



Herrera qu LRFD Methods

- Herrera:

$$f_s = 1.111 * \sqrt{q_u} * REC * 2 (ksf/tsf) \rightarrow \text{Miami Formation}$$

$$f_s = 1.643 * \sqrt{q_u} * REC * 2 (ksf/tsf) \rightarrow \text{Fort Thompson Formation}$$

- Herrera using Old C w/ RQD in Fort Thompson:

$$f_s = 1.111 * \sqrt{q_u} * REC * 2 (ksf/tsf) \rightarrow \text{Miami Formation}$$

$$f_s = 1.643 * \sqrt{q_u} * RQD * 2 (ksf/tsf) \rightarrow \text{Fort Thompson Formation}$$

- Herrera using Old C w/ RQD in Fort Thompson :

$$f_s = 1.111 * \sqrt{q_u} * REC * 2 (ksf/tsf) \rightarrow \text{Miami Formation}$$

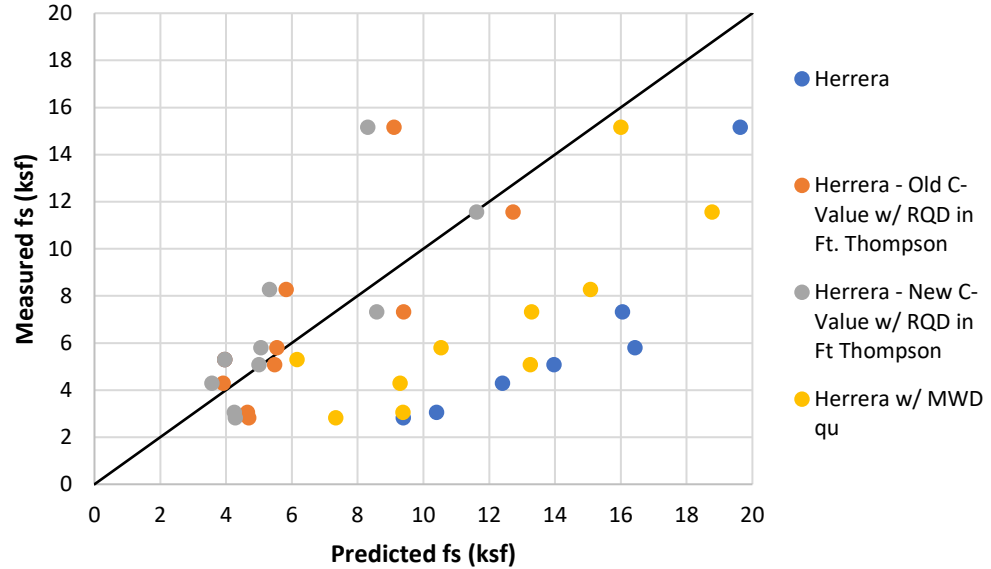
$$f_s = 1.500 * \sqrt{q_u} * RQD * 2 (ksf/tsf) \rightarrow \text{Fort Thompson Formation}$$

- Herrera using MWD q_u :

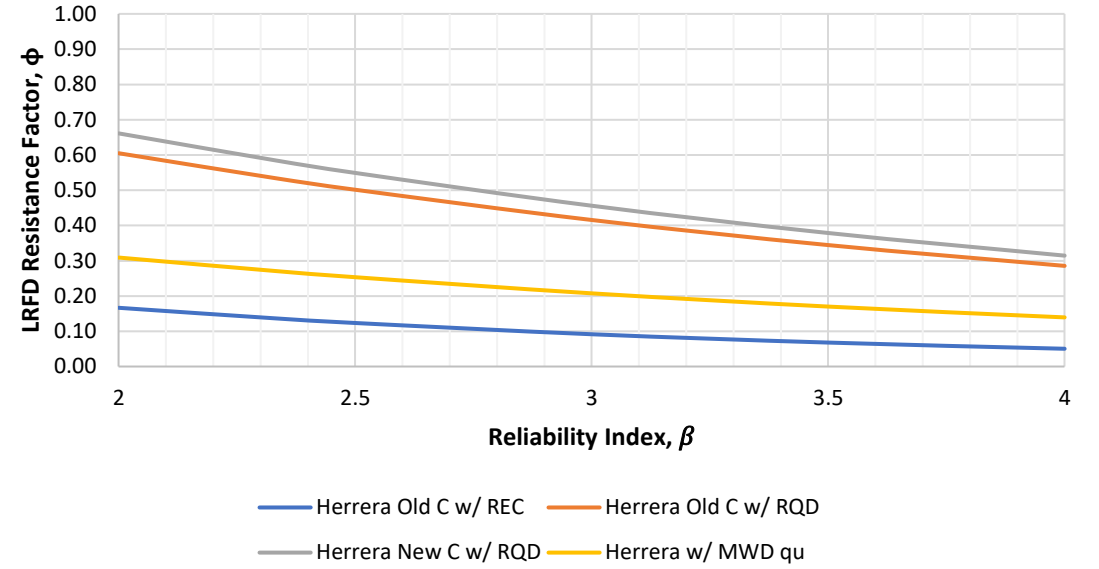
$$f_s = 1.111 * \sqrt{q_{u-MWD}} * REC_{MWD} * 2 (ksf/tsf) \rightarrow \text{Miami Formation}$$

$$f_s = 1.643 * \sqrt{q_{u-MWD}} * REC_{MWD} * 2 (ksf/tsf) \rightarrow \text{Fort Thompson Formation}$$

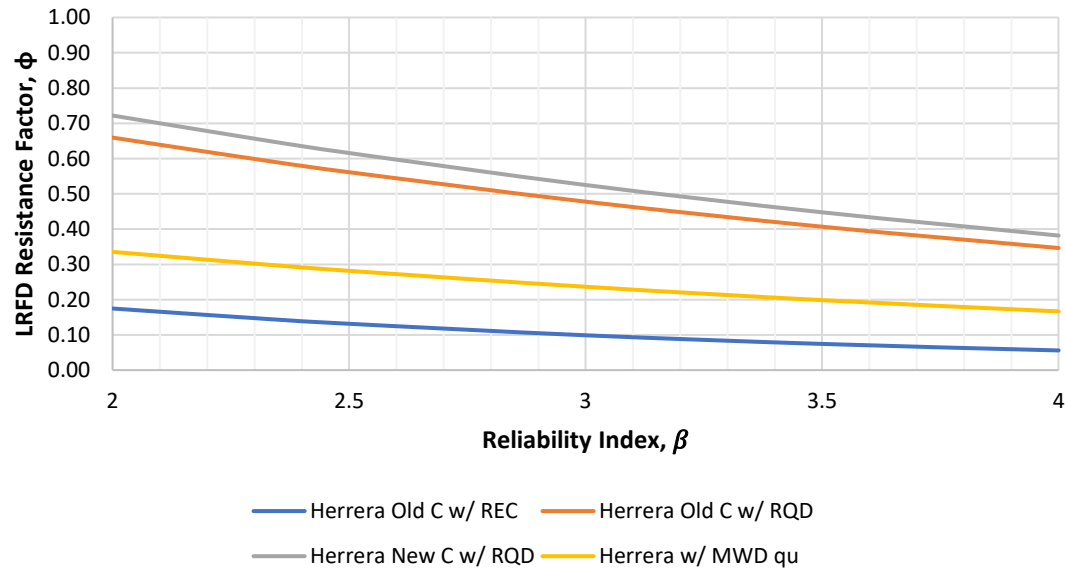
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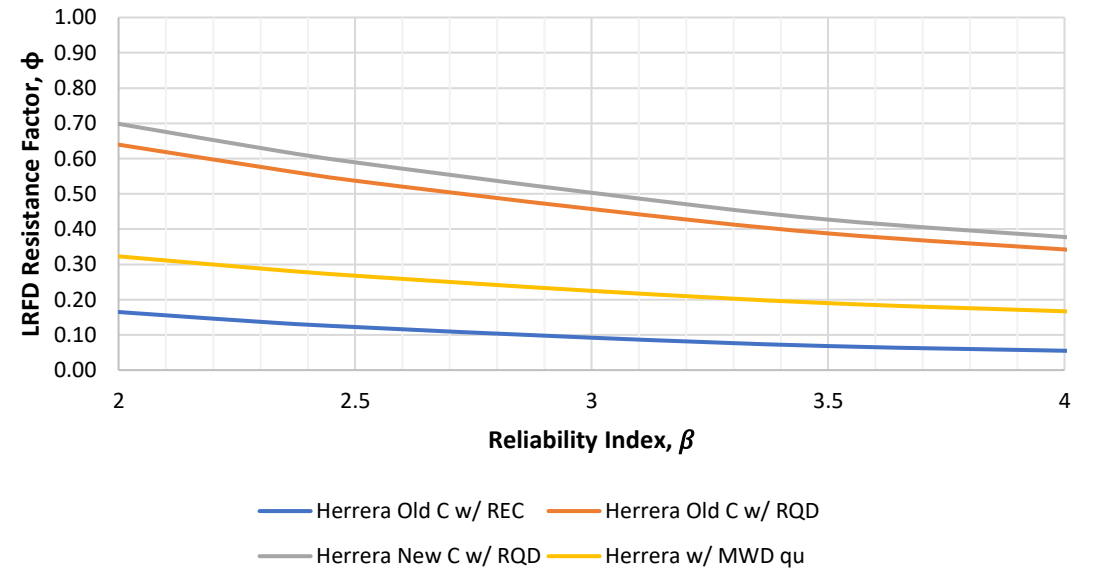
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FOSM (Styler) - Herrera qu



Monte Carlo - Herrera qu



MWD q_u LRFD Methods

Note: For all methods REC is estimated percentage of rock from MWD pile summary report where rock below 88 psi is discounted toward capacity

- McVay et al.:

$$f_s = 1/2 * \sqrt{q_u} * \sqrt{q_t} * REC \rightarrow \text{FL Geomaterials EQN used to estimate } q_t$$

- Gupton and Logan:

$$f_s = 0.2 * q_u * REC * 2 \text{ (ksf/tsf)}$$

- Reese and O'Neill:

$$f_s = 0.15 * q_u * REC * 2 \text{ (ksf/tsf)}$$

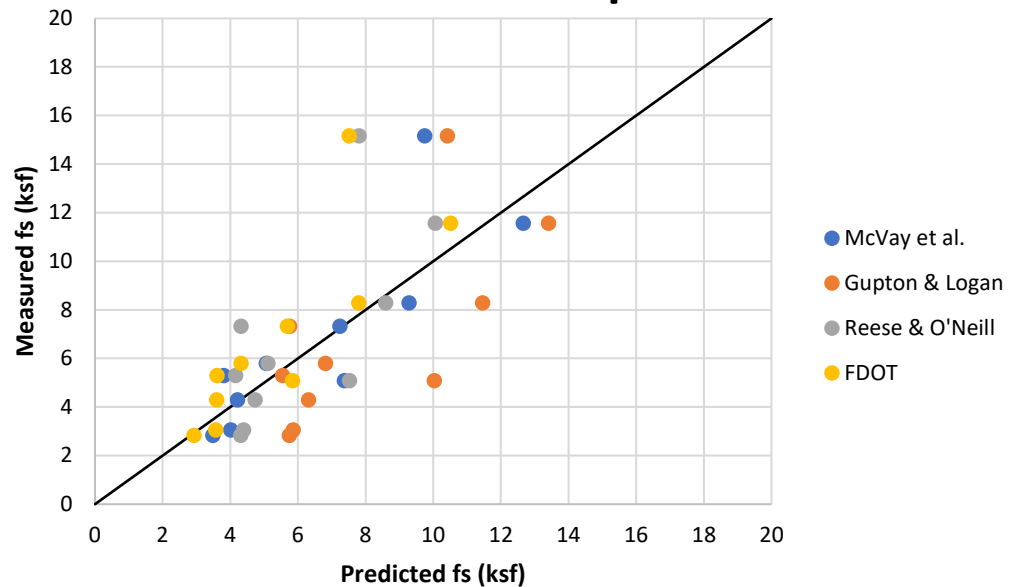
- FDOT:

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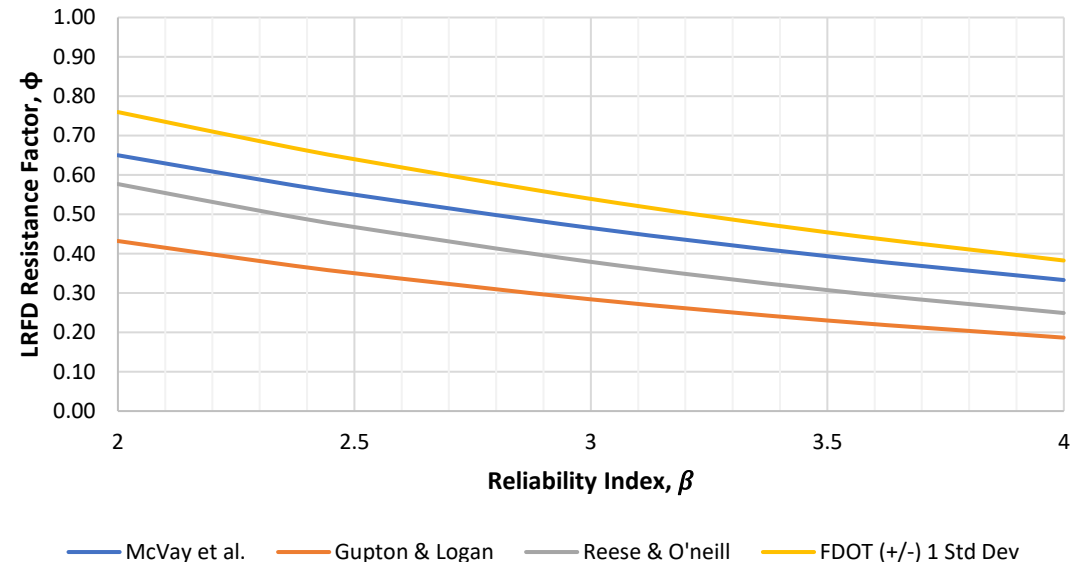
$$f_s = 1/2 * \sqrt{q_u} * \sqrt{q_t} * REC \rightarrow \text{FL Geomaterials EQN used to estimate } q_t$$

- Within 100 ft or less of test piles
- Number of data points is significantly improved per unit length due to higher resolution profiling – vertically and horizontally

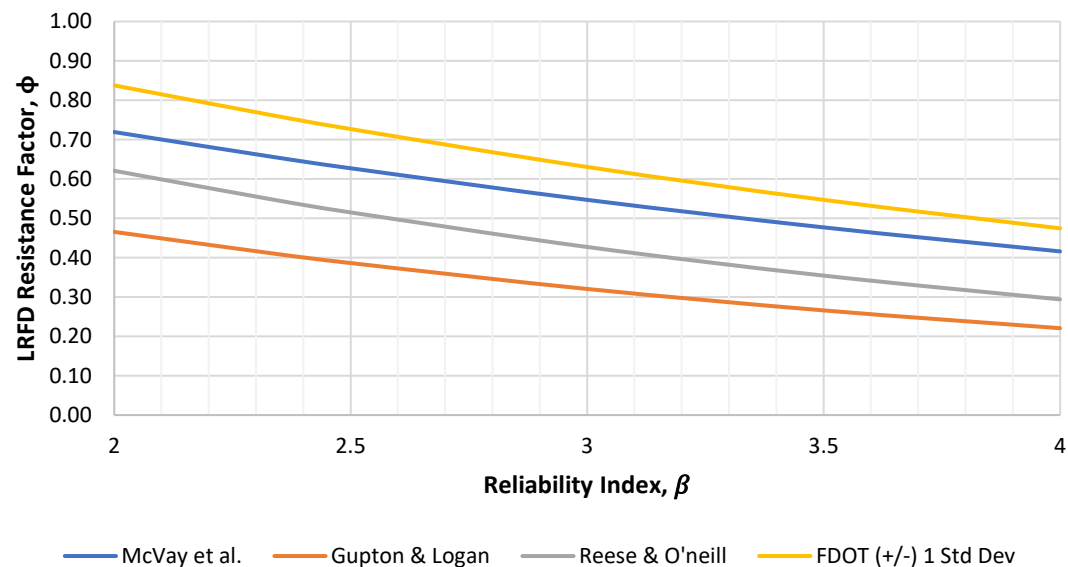
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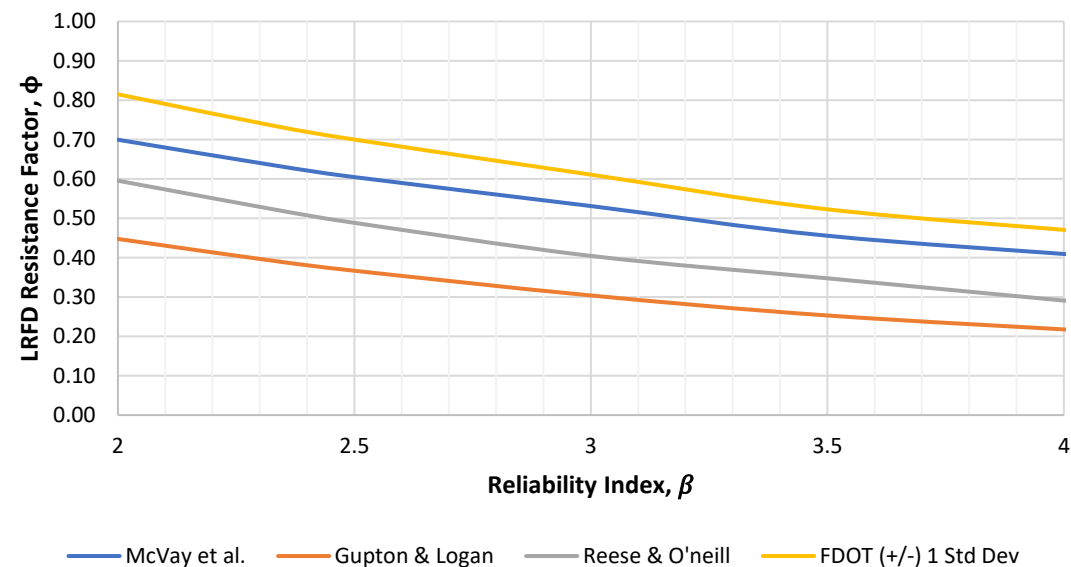
FOSM (Pre-Styler) - MWD qu



FOSM (Styler) - MWD qu



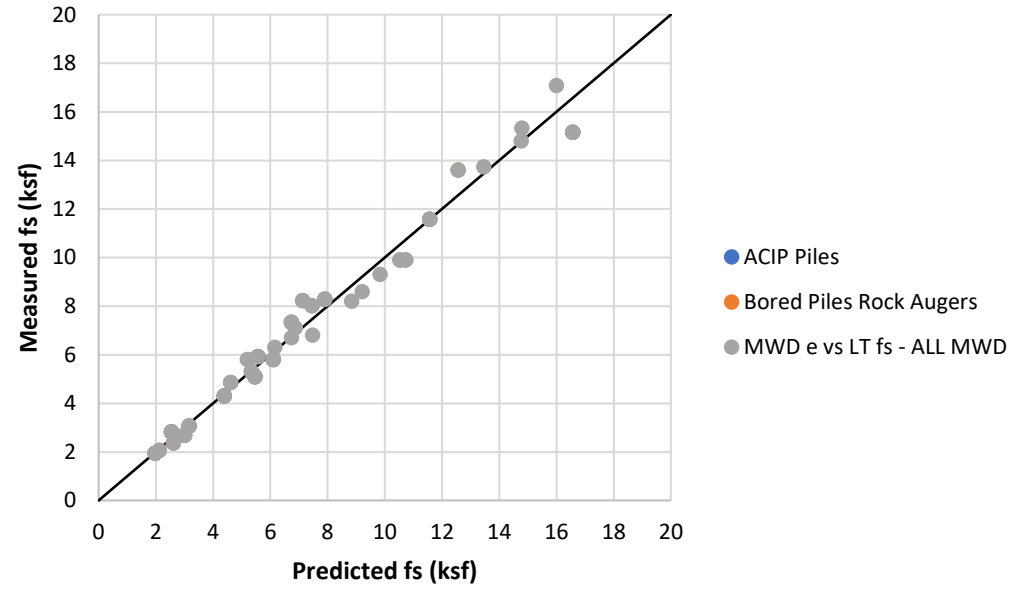
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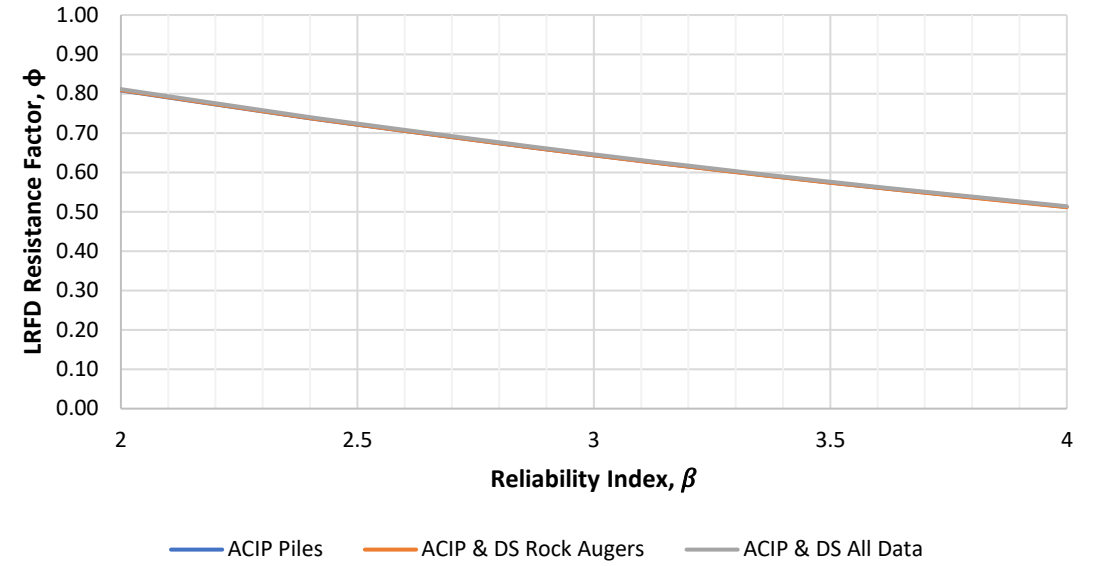
MWD fs

- MWD conducted in the footprint of test piles
 - Removes the influence of spatial variability (zonal, layering, etc.)
 - Considers only the influence of the method and method error
 - Strength assessment every 1-cm
 - Superior QA/QC
- ACIP Piles
 - 13 data points
- ACIP and Drilled Shafts w/ rock augers
 - 24 data points
- ACIP and Drilled Shafts w/ rock augers and rock buckets
 - 36 data points
 - Assess the overall MWD approach

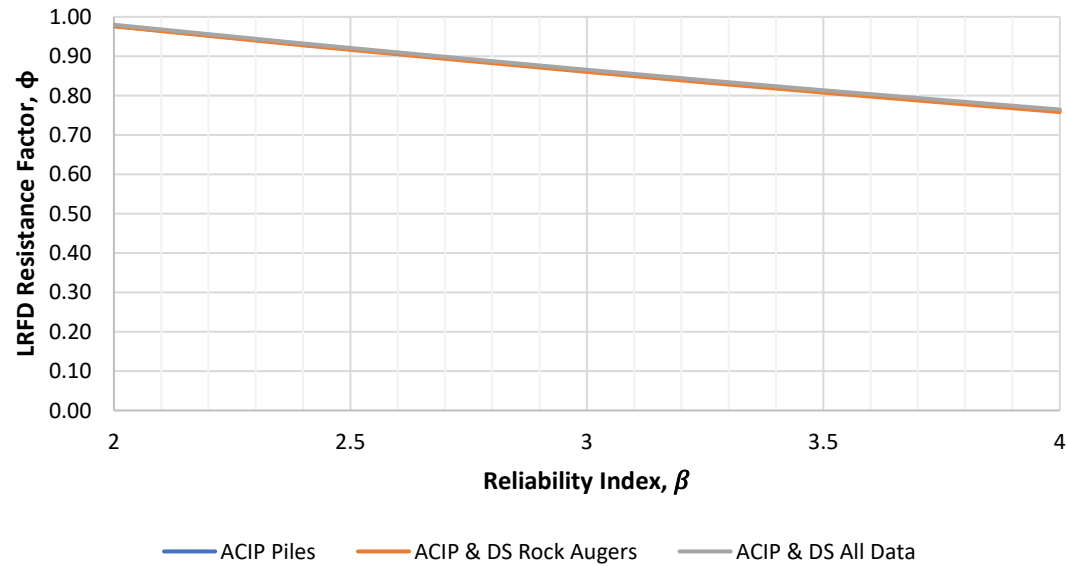
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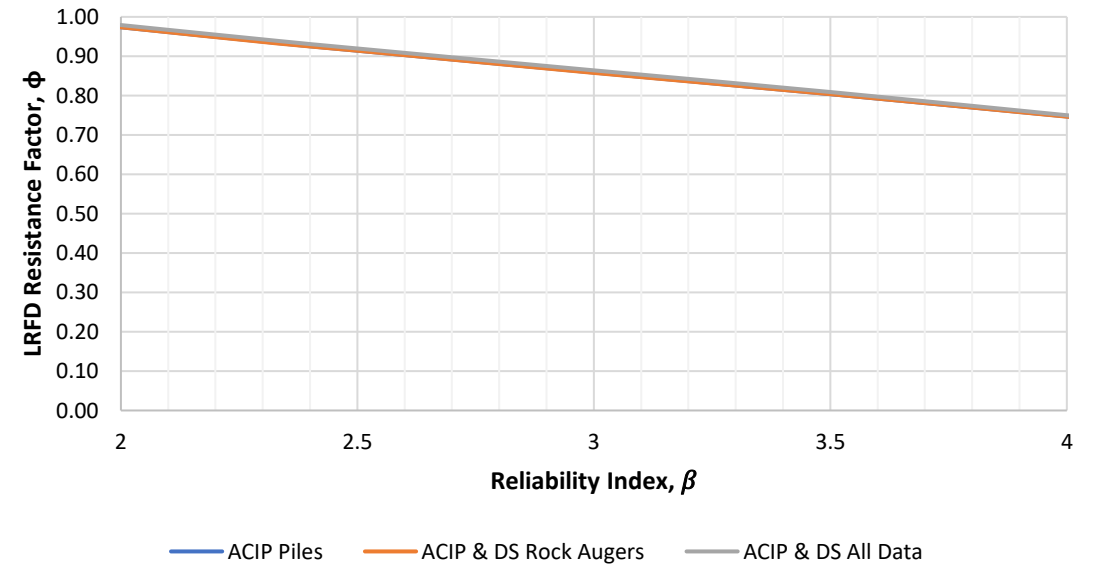
FOSM (Pre-Styler) - MWD fs



FOSM (Styler) - MWD fs



Monte Carlo - MWD fs



Conclusions

- MWD is viable for ACIP pile QA/QC
 - Specific energy has excellent sensitivity vs pile side shear
 - MWD strength assessment and layering was in agreement with SPT, rock cores, and load test data
 - MWD modeled pile behavior reflected the actual load test pile behavior
- MWD generated 285 times more q_u data than rock cores collected within the same investigated area
 - High resolution profiling
 - Provides better understanding of the strength distribution and layering at the site
- ACIP analysis spreadsheet was successfully developed
 - Assessment of rock strength, side shear, and pile capacity vs depth, drilling vs time profile that identifies where time was wasted for future optimization
 - 1-cm resolution profiling
- Based on the comparison of MWD q_u and laboratory q_u ,
 - Core strengths compare well with MWD q_u in the top 35 feet at the site
 - Core strengths at deeper depths (35 feet and below), MWD q_u indicates much lower q_u strengths compared to core q_u
- This required LRFD Phi assessment to use RQD instead of REC for the rock at lower depths
 - Comparison of rock cumulative frequency using RQD resulted in good correlation with MWD to account for missing volume
- Load testing suggests that residual stresses are developed in South Florida for ACIP piles
 - Recommend monitoring strains after the pile is cast and prior to load testing to assess residual stresses
 - All load test reports should require that the sum of the estimated side shear loads equal the applied load from the LTA for each load step

Conclusions

- LRFD Assessment was performed using site specific data with LRFD methods, FOSM Pre-Styler, FOSM Styler, and Monte Carlo
 - Methods employing rock cores show similar results as drilled shafts (FDOT, McVay, G&L, Reese and O'Neill) but higher than the original ACIP report
 - Methods that employed SPT produced the lowest phi values similar to the original ACIP report (McVay et al.), this is attributed to poor correlation between SPT blow counts and rock strength
 - MWD methods resulted in the highest phi values due to excellent correlation between specific energy, rock strength, side shear, and pile capacity
 - Significant increase in data collected and high-resolution profiling with rock strengths as low as 90 psi
 - MWD in the footprint (QA/QC procedure) provided LRFD phis above 0.8 for Beta equal to 3.5 or less (failure of 1 in 5,000)

Recommendations

- Conduct more MWD research for South Florida ACIP piles
 - Need more data to further validate the results of this research
- Collect more MWD data in the footprint of load tested ACIP piles
- Investigate using MWD coring practices in South Florida to assist with recovering more samples in formations that are difficult to core
 - MWD will provide a significant increase strength data available for design
- Investigate residual stresses that develop in South Florida ACIP piles
 - This needs to be resolved to get higher resolution load test layering
- Sampling frequencies should be increased for AME equipment
 - Currently 1 sample per second
- Develop an ACIP pile analysis program that is capable of handling greater sampling frequencies than the spreadsheet
 - Build off the programming that was developed in the ACIP pile spreadsheet

UF Load Test Recommendations

- In general, strain gauge readings should be taken immediately before (and after) every event of the piling work and not just during the actual load test. Continuous measurements would be the ideal approach. However, continuous measurements may not be feasible, currently. Therefore, readings should be conducted at the following times:
 1. After installation of the gauges while the reinforcement cage is laying on the ground (to ensure all gauges are functioning)
 2. Just prior to placing the instrumented cage into the ground (to validate the gauges are still working prior to cage placement)
 3. **When the cage has been placed into the grouted hole and the gauges have adjusted to the ground or initial grout temperature (within 1-hour)**
 4. Immediately before starting the load test
 5. After load test analysis is complete, the reported side shear in each level should be converted to load and compared to the applied load. This will ensure the measured loads within the pile do not exceed the applied load. This should be done for each load step
 6. Strain gauge data that was used to generate T-Z curves should be multiplied by segment length to obtain segment deformations that are then summed over the full pile length and compared with pile top movement, LTA movement, and tell-tale movement. The error should be within 10%
- If these measurements are not taken at the recommended intervals, and residual stresses are present within the pile, you should break up the load test into larger layers using stable strain gauge locations

Remaining Tasks

- LRFD phi assessment of FDOT design methods of ACIP piles in South Florida
- LRFD phi assessment of MWD specific energy for ACIP pile axial capacity QA/QC
- Draft Final
- Closeout Meeting
- Final Report

Questions?

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