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Distinguished Public Lecture (Online) **Getting to the Right Answer:**

The Role of Constitutive Models and Numerical Schemes in Solving the Boundary-Value Problems of Soil Mechanics



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About the Speaker

Rodrigo Salgado is the Charles Pankow Professor in Civil Engineering at Purdue University and co-Director of the Center for Offshore, Foundation and Energy Engineering (COFFEE). He holds a Ph.D. and an M.S. degree from the University

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Abstract

Although soil mechanics has existed as a science for almost a century, its development has largely been based on relatively simple models that do not realistically capture soil behavior. This has led to a somewhat limited ability to obtain realistic solutions to the boundary-value problems of geotechnical engineering. As a result, analysts often resort to calibrations or a general reliance on the results of calculations combined with "engineering judgment." The tools required to perform realistic simulations are advanced constitutive models and rigorous numerical schemes. The lecture will review progress in the development of these analysis tools, and illustrate the quality of the results from performing analyses relying on their use.



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