



Simplified modelling of a cracked composite pavement

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Figure 1 - Pictures of real cracked pavements

The Burnmister model [Burnmister, 1943] is used in the French method of pavement design (Alizé-Lcpc software). If there are cracks, the design method requires others models.

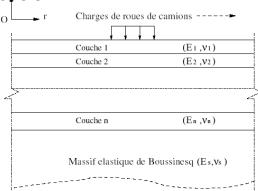


Figure 2 - The Burnmister model

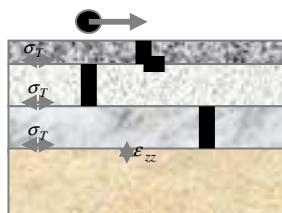


Figure 3 - cracked pavement structure

Objectives:

Mechanical study of bond between layers of composite pavements with a new model which has been built for:

- the evaluation of cracked asphalt and/or concrete pavements
- design solutions for rehabilitation
- reflective cracking study



The M4-Boussinesq model [Tran et al., 2004]

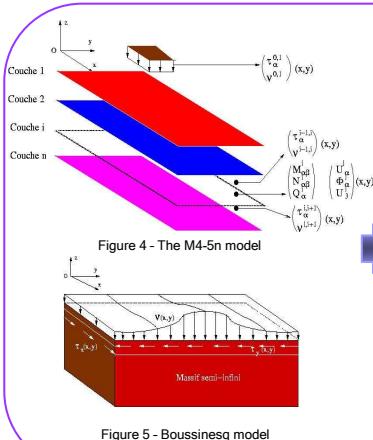


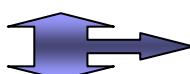
Figure 4 - The M4-5n model

Pavement multi-layers -> M4-5n model

Multi-particle model of multi-layer materials with $5n$ equilibrium equations (n : total number of layers)

[Chabot A. 1997] [Chabot, Ehrlicher, 1998]

- Polynomial approximation per layer i in z for σ_{ij}
- Hellinger-Reissner formulation (Reissner, 1950)



The Soil -> Boussinesq model

[Boussinesq, 1890]

- Analytical equations between external forces and surface displacement

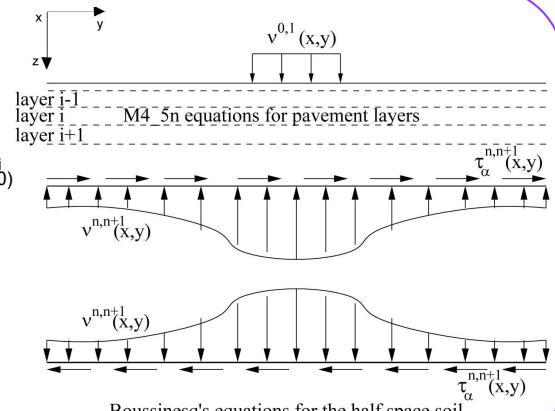


Figure 6 - Simplify modelling

The numerical method used

Main Unknowns

→ 5 displacements per layer

$$X^i = [U_1^i, U_2^i, \Phi_1^i, \Phi_2^i, \bar{U}_3^i] \quad \forall i \in [1, n]$$

$$\begin{aligned} AAX_{11} + BBX_{22} + CCX_{12} + DDX_{14} + EEX_{24} + FFX = \\ (5n \text{ equ.}) \quad GG\Sigma_1 + HH\Sigma_2 + II\Sigma + JJ \end{aligned}$$

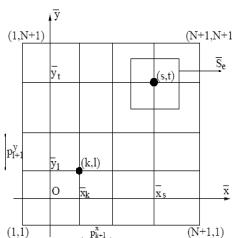


Figure 7 - The M4-B mesh

$$X = [X^1 X^2 \dots X^n]$$

$$\begin{aligned} X_{(i,j)1} + X_{(i+1,j)1} &= \frac{X_{(i+1,j)} - X_{(i,j)}}{k_{j+1}} \\ X_{(i,j)2} + X_{(i,j+1)2} &= \frac{X_{(i,j+1)} - X_{(i,j)}}{k_{j+1}} \end{aligned}$$

For the M4-5n equations -> Newmark Difference finite method

+ 3 interface stresses

$$\Sigma = [\bar{\tau}_1^{n,n+1} \bar{\tau}_2^{n,n+1} \bar{\nu}^{n,n+1}]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_S f(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{\xi}, \bar{\eta}) \Sigma(\bar{\xi}, \bar{\eta}) d\bar{\xi} d\bar{\eta} &= \sum_1^{(N+1)^2} \int_{S_n} f(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{\xi}, \bar{\eta}) \Sigma(\bar{\xi}, \bar{\eta}) d\bar{\xi} d\bar{\eta} \\ (3 \text{ equ.}) \quad &\approx \sum_1^{(N+1)^2} \Sigma(\bar{\xi}_n, \bar{\eta}_n) \int_{S_n} f(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{\xi}, \bar{\eta}) d\bar{\xi} d\bar{\eta} \end{aligned}$$

For the Boussinesq equations -> Half Analytic method

Linear system - use of Matlab software

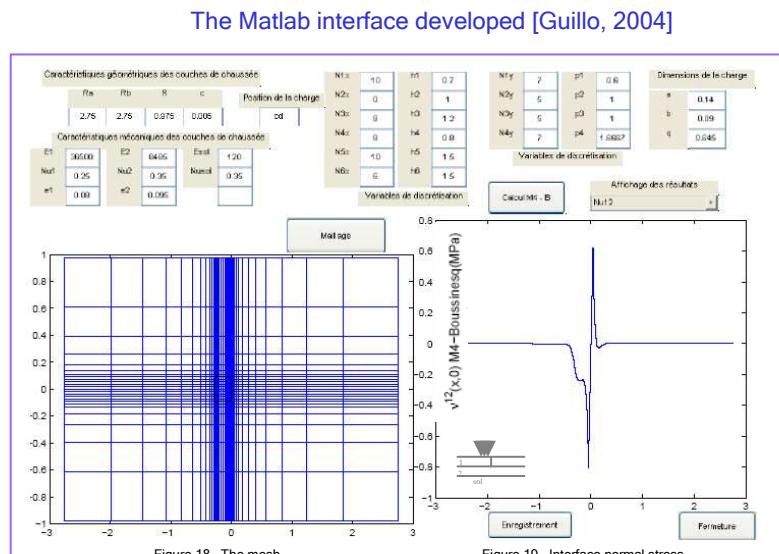
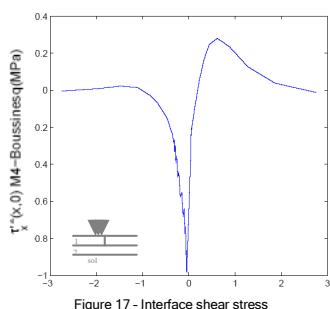
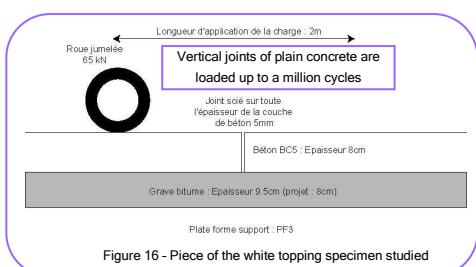
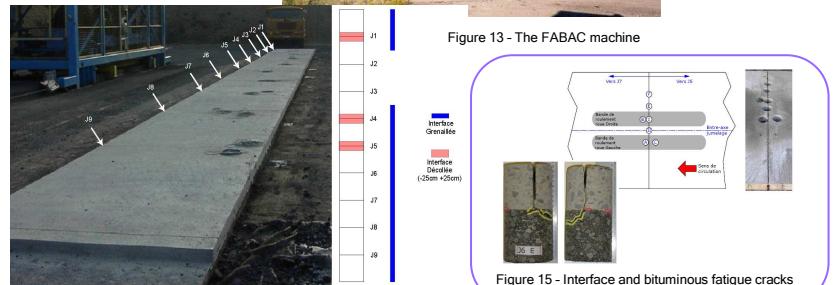
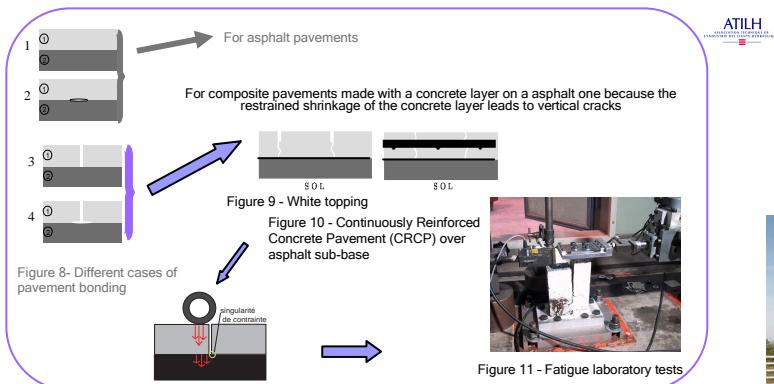
$$K_1 X = K_2 \Sigma + K_3$$

$$K_4 X = K_5 \Sigma + K_6$$

$$X = [X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{N+1, N+1}] \quad 5n(N+1)^2$$

$$\Sigma = [\Sigma_{1,1}, \Sigma_{1,2}, \dots, \Sigma_{N+1, N+1}] \quad 3(N+1)^2$$

Study of adhesion between concrete and asphalt [Pouteau et al., 2004]



Conclusions:

To make a proper analysis of crack initiation and propagation in cracked pavement structures, a simplified model (named the multi-particle model of multi-layer materials, M4) linked to the Boussinesq model for the soil has been developed [Tran et al., 2004]. To study the bond of composite pavement structures, an in-situ experiment has been performed using an accelerating pavement loading facility [pouteau et al., 2004]. It shows different kinds of crack propagations: cracks at the interface between the layers and cracks through the materials. With that so-called M4-Boussinesq model, the initial mechanical fields of that in-situ experiment has been calculated.

Modelling prospects:

- ✓ ϵ_{xx} and ϵ_{yy} strain comparisons with the model and the FABAC sensors
- ✓ Fortran or C++ Programming of the M4-Boussinesq model
- ✓ Introduce delamination cracks