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In the present study, a finite element computer code has been developed and is capable for simulating the sequence of construction of the roller compacted concrete dams taking into account the effects of the reservoir water temperature and climatic changes. The probability of cracking can be determined where the variation of the material mechanical properties with time are incorporated using the newly efficient experimental models found in literature.

The developed code has been validated first for some numerical examples found in literature. Then the code has been verified against the monitoring temperatures measured by the installed thermocouples in a real case study in Malaysia where good agreement has been obtained between the code predicted results and monitoring temperatures. Then the developed code has been applied for the simulation of sequence of construction and operation phase taking into account the reservoir water operation affects on the upstream dam side. Realistic and identical thermal and structural responses from both the two-dimensional and the three-dimensional models have been obtained. Thus the two-dimensional model can be sufficiently
used for the analysis of gravity roller compacted concrete dams without losing or sacrificing the accuracy level.

The capability of the developed code has been demonstrated by analyzing a large roller compacted concrete dam of 169 m in height where the impact of the placement schedule on the thermal and structural response has been investigated. The obtained results show that, the placement schedule has significant effect in reducing the tensile stresses at the critical zones of high foundation restraints.

Moreover, the developed code has been applied for the determination of the thermal and structural response of an unsymmetrical double curvature arch concrete dam as a general case. The roller compacted concrete technology has been tried as an alternative to the proposed conventional method utilizing the special code for the discretization of the arch dam gorges which was modified in the present study for roller compacted concrete arch dam problem. High tensile stresses at the dam bottom and the abutment boundaries in the upstream side have been observed. In addition to small regions of high compressive stresses near the abutment sides in the downstream side. Thus, a special attention should be paid to these regions in the design of roller compacted concrete arch dams.
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LIST OF NOTATIONS AND ABBREVIATIONS

Latin Upper Case

\( A \) area
\( B_w \) block width of the dam
\( \overline{B} \) strain-displacement matrix
\( [B] \) strain-displacement matrix
\( [C] \) capacitance matrix
\( C_1, C_2, C_3 \) elasto-plastic yield surface constants
\( [D] \) global element elastic rigidity matrix
\( \overline{D} \) local elastic rigidity matrix for joint element
\( D_{ep} \) elasto-plastic rigidity matrix
\( E \) material elastic modulus
\( E_c \) concrete elastic modulus
\( \{ F \} \) vector of equilibrated nodal force
\( I_1 \) first stress invariant tensor
\( J \) Jacobian matrix
\( J_2 \) second stress invariant tensor
\( J_3 \) third stress invariant tensor
\( K_f \) foundation restraint factor
\( K_R \) structure restraint factor
\( [K] \) element stiffness matrix
\( L \) loading criterion for a joint element
\( N_i \) shape function at node \( i \)
\( Q \) heat transfer rate per unit area
\( \dot{Q} \)  
heat of hydration rate per unit volume

\( \{R\} \)  
nodal point applied external load vector

\( \{R\} \)  
unbalanced (residual) nodal load vector

\( \{T\}^e \)  
vector of element nodal temperatures

\( T \)  
temperature

\( T_{\text{ad}} \)  
adiabatic temperature rise

\( T_f \)  
the temperature of the fluid surface

\( T_{\text{max}} \)  
maximum adiabatic temperature rise

\( T_s \)  
the temperature of the solid surface

\( \{T\}^e \)  
vector of element nodal temperatures variation with time

\( V \)  
winds speed

\( W_{cr} \)  
permissible dam crack width

**Latin Lower Case**

\( a \)  
Plastic flow vector

\( a_1, a_2, a_3 \)  
Plastic flow subvectors

\( c \)  
specific heat coefficient

\( c \)  
Cohesion coefficient

\( \{d\delta\} \)  
virtual displacement vector

\( dV \)  
elemental volume

\( f_c \)  
compression strength

\( f_t \)  
tensile strength

\( h \)  
convection heat transfer coefficient

\( h_c \)  
concrete convection heat transfer coefficient

\( h_f \)  
wind convection heat transfer coefficient
\( k_n \) normal stiffness of the joint element
\( k_s \) shear stiffness of the joint element
\( k_{x}, k_{y}, k_{z} \) thermal conductivity coefficients in \( x, y, \) and \( z \) direction
\( l_{x}, l_{y}, l_{z} \) direction cosines of the outward surface normal in \( x, y, \) and \( z \) respectively
\( q \) heat flux
\( q_c \) convection heat transfer rate
\( q_r \) radiation heat transfer rate
\( t \) time
\( u \) tangential and normal displacements respectively
\( v \) tangential and normal displacements respectively
\( w \) tangential and normal displacements respectively
\( x, y, z \) cartesian coordinate system
\{p\} surface traction forces
\{g\} distributed body forces

**Greek Upper Case**

\{\Delta F\} incremental load vector
\{\Delta \delta\} incremental nodal displacements vector
\{\Delta \varepsilon\} incremental strains vector
\{\Delta \sigma\} incremental stress vector

**Greek Lower Case**

\( \alpha \) hydration heat rate parameter
\( \beta \) shear modulus reduction factor