

Two-Day Short Course on Rock Slope Stability Analyses will be taught by

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The course will be taught in a hotel in Colombo, Sri Lanka

Information on the exact venue will be provided around the end of October 2023.

Course fee: US\$ 370

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the short course are to show the applications of kinematic and limit equilibrium analyses for rock mass surface excavations. The course lecture notes which are equivalent to about 175 pages will be distributed at the start of the

course. Application of the theory will be illustrated using published journal papers for a few mine sites in the USA and a few hydropower project sites in China.

COURSE CONTENT

Part 1: Introduction to Rock Fracture Sets & Rock Block Instability; Discontinuity Shear Strength (1/2 day)

A PowerPoint presentation on rock fracture sets and rock block instability; Fracture geometry mapping & basic characterization; Shear strength of rock discontinuities; Variability of discontinuity orientation and shear strength.

Part 2: Stereographic Projection and Rock Slope Kinematic Analysis (3/5 day)

Principles of stereographic projection; Applications of stereographic projection in the mechanics of discontinuous rock; Kinematic analysis for plane sliding, wedge sliding, and toppling; Application of kinematic analysis using discontinuity data from a few hydropower project sites in China and a few mine sites in the USA to find maximum safe slope angles.

Part 3: Limit Equilibrium Analysis for Plane Sliding (2/5 day)

Two-dimensional approach including a tension crack, water forces, and rock bolt forces; Operations with vectors on the stereo net; Analysis of sliding of a block in 3D on a plane including water forces, rock bolt forces, and seismic forces – the friction circle concept.

Part 4: Limit Equilibrium Analysis for Wedge Sliding (1/2 day)

Application of the stereographic projection in defining a wedge formed by intersecting discontinuities; General analytical approach for wedge stability analysis; Illustration of effects of

water and tension cracks that may exist in the rock mass, slope face inclination, overall wedge height, and double benching in mines on the factor of safety of wedge stability through limit equilibrium analyses.

Medium of Instruction:

The medium of instruction will be English.



Who Should Attend:

Civil, Mining, and Geo-engineers and geologists who are involved in surface and underground excavations analysis, design, and construction activities associated with jointed rock masses will benefit from the short course.

Time Schedule (each day):

8:00—10:00	Lectures
10:00—10:30	Tea/Coffee break
10:30—12:30	Lectures
12:30-- 13:30	Lunch
13:30-- 15:30	Lectures
15:30-- 16:00	Tea/Coffee break
16:00-- 17:30	Lectures

Narrative Biography of Prof. Kulatilake:

Dr. Pinnaduwa H.S.W. Kulatilake is a Professor Emeritus at the University of Arizona. He is a registered Professional Civil Engineer in California. He received his B.Sc. (in 1976) in Civil Engineering from the University of Sri Lanka, Peradeniya, MS (in 1978) in Soil Engineering from the Asian Institute of Technology, Bangkok, Thailand, and Ph.D. (in 1981) in Civil Engineering (with geotechnics emphasis) from the Ohio State University, USA. He has over 40 years of experience in rock mechanics & rock engineering associated with mining, civil geotechnical and geological engineering, and applications of probabilistic and numerical methods to geoenvironmental engineering. He has written over 275 papers and is a member of several technical committees. He has an I-10 index of 111 and an H-index of 48 in Google citations. He has delivered over 40 keynote lectures and over 50 other invited lectures throughout the world on topics related to rock fracture network modeling, probabilistic geotechnics, mechanical and hydraulic properties of joints, rock slope stability, and mechanical and hydraulic behavior of rock masses. He has been a research paper reviewer for over 30 technical Journals and an editorial board member for several rock mechanics/geotechnics journals. Currently, he is the main Editor-in-Chief of the Geotechnical and Geological Engineering Journal. He is also an Associate Editor in the Geomechanics area for the Arabian Journal of Geosciences. He has taught short courses on stochastic fracture network modeling, rock slope stability analysis, Block theory, and rock joint roughness and aperture in Sweden, Mexico, Austria, USA, Canada, Hong Kong, Poland, Finland, Australia, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Egypt, Iran, Chile, China, Italy, Peru, and Tunisia. He has served over 20 years either as the primary or the sole

examiner for the geological engineering professional exam conducted by the Arizona State Board of Technical Registration. He was a Visiting Professor at the Royal Institute of Technology and Lulea University of Technology in Sweden as part of his sabbatical leave. Also, he was a Visiting Research Fellow at the Norwegian Geotechnical Institute, for another part of his sabbatical leave. Due to his contributions to teaching, research, consulting, and service activities, he was elected to the Fellow Rank of the American Society of Civil Engineers at the relatively young age of 45. In 2002, he received Distinguished Alumnus Award from the College of Engineering, Ohio State University, and the Outstanding Asian American Faculty Award from the University of Arizona in recognition of his achievements and contributions made to the advancement of his profession. In December 2005, Eurasian National University, Kazakhstan conferred him "Honorary Professorship". In August 2007, he organized and ran a successful International Conference on Soil & Rock Engineering in Sri Lanka. In January 2009, he organized and ran a high-quality International Conference on Rock Joints and Jointed Rock Masses in Tucson, Arizona. He was the guest editor for two special issues published in the Jour. of Geotechnical and Geological Engineering. He received the "Kwang-Hua Visiting Professorship" for 2009-2010 from the College of Engineering, Tongji University, China. He was a Recipient of a "Guest Professorship" from Wuhan University, China during 2010-2013. In 2013 and 2016, he received Peter Cundall awards. In 2020-2021, he received Lushan Award from China. Recently (2019-2022) he was a recipient of the 1000 Talent program funding from the Chinese government to work as a Distinguished Professor of Rock Mechanics and Rock Engineering at a Chinese University.

Registration Conditions:

The course fee must be paid in full by the registration deadline of October 15, 2023. The course fee includes course notes, lunch, and refreshments for morning and afternoon tea/coffee breaks. The number of applicants for each course is limited and acceptance will be on a first-come, first-served basis. If the course is canceled, then the full short course fee will be refunded. **No refund will be given after October 15, 2023. Non-arrivals at the course will be liable to pay the full course fee and no refund will be given. However, substitutions will be allowed.**





**Registration Form
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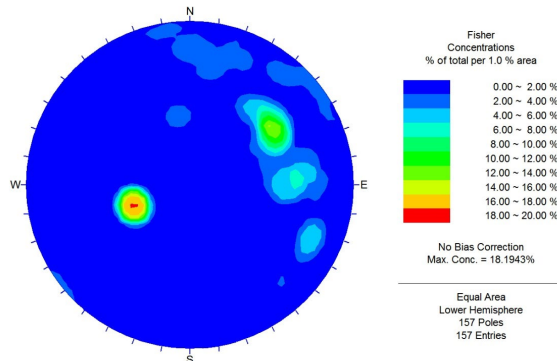
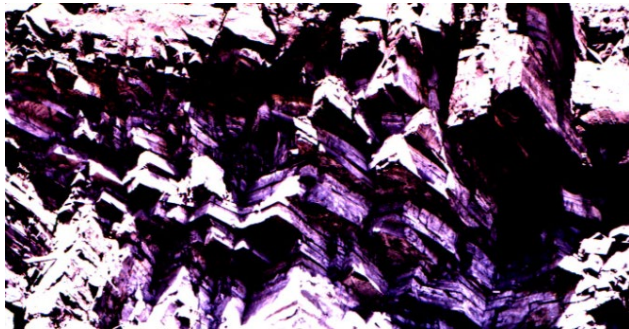
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I have read and agree to the conditions of entry
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Signature : _____ Date: _____

Option 3: Through MoneyGram—needed information will be provided later upon receiving the completed Registration form.

Registration for the Short Course on Rock Slope Stability Analyses also can be done by visiting the website: www.SLRMES.org



Methods of Payment:

Option 1: Wire transfer: The name of the bank, swift code, routing number & account number will be provided later upon receiving the completed Registration form.

Option 2: Through Western Union—needed information will be provided later upon receiving the completed Registration form.