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Abstract

Over the past few decades, significant advances have been made in computational capabilities and the development of constitutive models for geological materials. However, the ability to provide high-quality inputs for these models, based on field investigations, has often lagged behind. To meet these challenges, a multi-disciplinary approach, combining conventional geotechnical testing methods with insights gained from geology and geophysics, is needed to improve the quality of geotechnical site investigations.

This presentation will highlight recent research efforts to advance site investigation capabilities and techniques at various scales, informing a range of geotechnical engineering applications. For individual sites, the recently developed direct-push crosshole testing method has enabled the development of high-resolution P- and S-wave velocity profiles. This method has been used to verify ground improvements and has contributed to the development of liquefaction case histories. At a deeper scale, non-invasive methods have been used to characterise the soil column above bedrock. Single-station measurements enable the estimation of the site period, a proxy for bedrock depth, and array-based measurements are used to infer the deep S-wave velocity structure. These methods have been used to characterise the soils and sedimentary basins across Aotearoa New Zealand, all of which have improved our understanding of observed earthquake ground shaking. Recent work focused on the Canterbury Plains on the South Island of New Zealand will be detailed. Similar experimental methods have been used to assess the potential for ground motion amplification on topographic features. This seminar will underscore the outcomes of these site investigation studies.