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Geotechnical Aspects of February 6, 2023 Kahramanmaraş-Türkiye Earthquake Sequence (Mw=7.8 and Mw=7.6)

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2023 Kahramanmaraş, Türkiye, earthquake doublet



Abdelmeguid et al. (2023) – Dynamics of episodic supershear in the 2023 M7.8 Kahramanmaras/Pazarcik earthquake, revealed by near-field records and computational modeling







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Seismic Soil Liquefaction Manifestations



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Soil liquefaction sites following the February 6, 2023, Kahramanmaraş-Türkiye earthquake sequence

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Seismically induced soil liquefaction was listed as one of the major causes of damage observed in the natural and built environment during the 2023 Türkiye-Kahramanmaraş earthquak sequence. Reconnaissance field investigations were performed to collect perishable data and document the extent of damage immediately after the events. The sites with surface manifestations of seismic soil liquefaction in the form of soil ejecta, excessive foundation and ground deformations were identified and documented. The deformations were mapped, and samples from ejecta were retrieved. The ejecta samples were predominantly classified as sands with varying degrees of fines. Laboratory test results performed on liquefield soil ejecta revealed that the fines-containing liquefield ejecta samples are mostly classified as low plasticity clays (CL). Most of CL soil type ejecta were retrieved from Gölbaş-Adyaram region. The liquid limits of these samples varied in between 32 and 38%, their plasticity index values were estimated in the range of 16–23%. Surprisingly, two ejecta samples with plasticity indices higher than 30% were retrieved from Hatay airport, one of which was classified as high plasticity clay (CH). The majority of the fine-grained ejecta samples fall either on "Zone B: Testing Recommended" region of the Seed et al. (Keynote presentation, 26th Annual ASCE Los Angeles Geotechnical Spring Seminar, Long Beach, CA, 2003) susceptibility chart. Moreover, 12 out of 74 samples fall outside the susceptible limits defined by Seed et. These preliminary results suggest that clayey soils can produce liquefied ejecta when subjected to cyclic loading. Detailed site investigation and laboratory testing programs are ongoing to further investigate this rather unexpected response. Until their findings become available, the liquefaction susceptibility of silty-clayey soils' mixtures is recommended to be assessed conservatively with caution.

Keywords Liquefaction · Grain size · Atterberg limits · Low plasticity · Kahramar earthquake · Susceptibility

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Table 2 A summar	y of the site	coordinates an	ıd soil	classification	characteristic	of the e	ejecta sam	ples from	Region A	A
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Sample ID#	Latitude (*)	Longitude (*)	Color	USCS Soil Type	Gravel Content (%)	Sand Content (%)	Fines Content (%)	D10 (mm)	D30 (mm)	D₀ (mm)	Liquid Limit (%)	Plastic Limit (%)	Plasticity Index	Uniformity Coefficient Cu	Coefficient of Curvature Cc
14	36.782708	36.205458	Brown	SM	1.0	58.5	40.5	<0.075	<0.075	0.12	-	-	-	-	-
15	36.821216	36.174943	Dark Brown	SP	0.3	97.0	2.7	0.09	0.15	0.21	-	-	-	2.3	1.2
16	36.821368	36.174806	Dark Brown	SP	0.0	94.8	5.2	0.09	0.16	0.24	-	-	-	2.7	1.2
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Table 3 A summary of site coordinates and soil classification of the samples from Region B

Sample ID #	Latitude (°)	Longitude (°)	Color	USCS Soil Type	Gravel Content (%)	Sand Content (%)	Fines Content (%)	D10 (mm)	D30 (mm)	Dø (mm)	Liquid Limit (%)	Plastic Limit (%)	Plasticity Index	Uniformity Coefficient Cu	Coefficient of Curvature Cc
3	36.593344	36.185508	Gray	ML	0.0	9.1	90.9	<0.075	<0.075	<0.075		NP		-	-
8	36.597441	36.192487	Black	ML	0.0	45.2	54.8	<0.075	<0.075	0.08		NP		-	-
9	36.597441	36.192487	Black	-	0.1	43.4	56.4	<0.075	<0.075	0.08	-	-	-	-	-
22	36.589542	36.176742	Black	SM	0.0	74.9	25.1	<0.075	0.09	0.18		NP	h	-	-
0.0	36 590614	36 173581	Black		0.0	60.9	391	<0.075	<0.075	017					

Table 4 A summary of site coordinates and soil classification of the samples from Region C

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Sample ID #	Latitude (*)	Longitude (*)	Color	USCS Soil Type	Grav el Cont ent (%)	Sand Content (%)	Fines Content (%)	D:0 (mm)	D∞ (mm)	Dø (mm)	Liquid Limit (%)	Plastic Limit (%)	Plasticity Index	Uniformity Coefficient Cu	Coefficient of Curvature Cc		-
1	36.350516	36.379327	Light Brown	SC or SM	0.0	78.3	21.7	<0.075	0.09	0.13	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	1.2
2	36.350916	36.379327	Light Brown	SC or SM	0.0	83.2	16.8	<0.075	0.11	0.19	-	-	-	-	-	12.7	1.3
4	36.362648	36.280920	Light Brown	SC	3.0	64.2	32.8	<0.075	0.07	0.53	32	11	21	-	-		
5	36.350916	36.379327	Brown	SM	0.0	72.2	27.8	<0.075	0.08	0.15		NP		_	_		
	36.362648	36.280920	Light Brown	CH	0.0	28.4	71.6	⊲0.075	<0.075	<0.075	56	20	36	-	-		-
	36.363890	36.283064	Brown	CL	8.5	39.7	51.8	<0.075	<0.075	0.19	48	17	31	-	-		
10	36.350916	36.379327	Brown	ML	0.0	45.3	54.7	<0.075	<0.075	0.08		NP		_			
11	36.362648	36.280920	Light Brown	SC	1.5	71.3	27.2	⊲0.075	0.13	0.64	30	11	19	-	-		
13	36.364562	36.281468	Light Brown	SC or SM	0.7	64.4	34.9	⊲0.075	<0.075	0.24		-	-	-	-		
51	36.194480	36.321980	Grayish brown	CL	1.0	41.0	58.0	<0.075	<0.075	0.08	44	16	28		-		
57	36.195355	36.328872	Yellowish brown	SC or SM	0.0	78.4	21.6	⊲0.075	0.12	0.24	_	-	-	_	-		
58	36.2451	36.35865	Light Brown	SM	0.0	72.0	28.0	⊲0.075	0.08	0.11		NP		_			
59	36.24509	36.35864	Brown	SM	0.0	77.3	22.7	<0.075	0.09	0.12		NP					
60	36.24507	36.35866	Light Brown	SM	0.0	75.2	24.8	<0.075	0.08	0.11		NP		_			
61	36.24506	36.3581	Light Brown	SC or SM	0.0	74.9	25.1	<0.075	0.08	0.12			_	_			
6	36.24527	36.35794	Light Brown	SM	0.0	81.2	18.8	<0.075	0.09	0.16		λπρ	.i			1	
68	36.245145	36.357975	Brown	SM	0.0	59.6	40.4	⊲0.075	<0.075	0.09		NP					



Seismic Soil Liquefaction Manifestations: Free Field Liquefaction Sites





Free-field soil ejecta sites at a) Payaş Dörtyol-Hatay coastal line, b) A Port facility in İskenderun, c) İskenderun-Hatay, d) Demirköprü-Hatay, e) Emiroğlu-Kahramanmaraş, f, g, h, and j) Gölbaşı-Adıyaman after Kahramanmaraş Earthquakes



Seismic Soil Liquefaction Manifestations: Free Field Liquefaction Sites





Free-field soil ejecta sites at Demirköprü-Hatay, Kumlu-Hatay and Gölbaşı-Adıyaman after Kahramanmaraş Earthquakes



Seismic Soil Liquefaction Manifestations: By Building Foundations





37.786694°N 37.632338°E







36.5901°N 36.1774°E



37.788°N 37.6432°E



37.788°N 37.642°E a) Gölbaşı-Adıyaman



37.788°N 37.642°E







36.5907°N 36.179°E

36.592°N 37.170°E

b) İskenderun-Hatay

Liquefaction-induced settlement observed at a) Gölbaşı-Adıyaman, and b) İskenderun-Hatay



Seismic Soil Liquefaction Manifestations: By Building Foundations







Liquefaction-induced settlement observed at Gölbaşı-Adıyaman



Seismic Soil Liquefaction Manifestations: at Harbours and Ports





Liquefaction-induced deformations at port facilities in, b) Limak Port in Iskenderun, c) Fishery Warf, d, e, and f) Iskenderun State Harbor



Seismic Soil Liquefaction Manifestations: at Harbours and Ports







Liquefaction-induced deformations at a private port in İskenderun and Fishery Warf











b) 37.156°N 36.514°E







Cetin et al. (2024) – Performance of Hydraulic Structures During February 6, 2023 Kahramanmaraş-Türkiye Earthquake Sequence (Earthquake Spectra, under review)

1	Performance of Hydraulic Structures During February 6, 2023 Kabramanmaras Türkiye Farthouske Seguence
2	Kani amamiai aş-1 ur kiye Eai urquake Sequence
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5	ABSTRACT
6	The February 6 2023, Türkiye-Kahramanmaraş earthquake sequence affected 140
7	dams, and most of them are located within Joyner and Boore, R_{jb} distance of 50
8	km. The dams were subjected to moderate to high levels of seismic intensities such
9	that the peak ground accelerations (PGA) at a comparable distance from the fault
10	rupture were estimated to vary between 0.1 to 1.3 g and 0.15 to 0.45 g during the
11	Pazarcık and Elbistan earthquakes, respectively. Although all dams could maintain
12	the water retaining capabilities, some of them suffered from moderate to large
13	permanent deformations, and the water levels at two of these dams, namely
14	Sultansuyu and Arıklıkaş, were lowered in a controlled manner, as a part of the
15	emergency response of meditation. Following the day of these earthquakes, all
16	hydraulic structures in the influence zone were surveyed, and findings were
17	reported in this study. Findings revealed that earthfill and rockfill dams were
18	observed to be more significantly damaged than the concrete dams at smaller $R_{j \boldsymbol{b}}$
19	and high PGA shaking zones. Additionally, permanent displacements consistently
20	increase with the transverse section height.
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a) 37.319°N 38.051°E Surface manifestation of liquefaction observed at a) Sultansuyu Dam and b) Arıklıkaş Dam



Seismic Soil Liquefaction Manifestations: at Hydraulic Structures





Arıklıkaş Dam



Seismic Soil Liquefaction Manifestations: at Demirköpü Bridges







Seismic Soil Liquefaction Manifestations: at Demirköprü Bridge







- Liquefaction-induced Failure of Demirköprü Bridge Pile Foundation and Retaining System Following the February 6 Kahramanmaraş Earthquake
- 3 Sequence
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Surface manifestation of liquefaction observed at Demirköprü Bridge



Seismic Soil Liquefaction Manifestations: at Karasu Bridges





Surface manifestation of liquefaction observed at Karasu Bridge



Seismic Soil Liquefaction Manifestations: at Hatay Airport





a) Airports located in the region







c) 36.3645°N 36.2815°E



d) 36.3646°N 36.2815°E



e) 36.3645°N 36.2814°E



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Surface manifestation of liquefaction observed at Hatay Airport







Surface manifestation of liquefaction observed at Hatay Airport





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a)



Cetin et al. (2024) – Ground failures and foundation performances in Adıyaman-Golbaşı (Earthquake Spectra, under review)



b) 37.794382°N 37.649608°E



c) 37.794155°N 37.649375°E

Lateral spreading and subsidence observed in Gölbaşı-Adıyaman adapted from Cetin et al. (2024)





Cetin et al. (2024) – Ground failures and foundation performances in Adıyaman-Golbaşı (Earthquake Spectra, under review)





Lateral spreading and subsidence observed in Gölbaşı-Adıyaman adapted from Cetin et al. (2024)







Lateral spreading observed in Hatay-İskenderun













Lateral spreading observed in Hatay-İskenderun



Landslides and Rockfalls





b) 36.16130°N 36.22024°E

c) 36.18559°N 36.23610°E

- A total of 3673 coseismic landslides associated with these events
- Over 90% of mapped landslides occurred within a 20km-wide zone along the fault rupture.

a) Spatial distribution of coseismic landslides overlain by the Kahramanmaraş Earthquakes fault rupture and PGA recordings for M>5.5 modified from Gorum et al. (2023),

b, c) transitional slide in Tepehan Village, and

d) rockfalls reported in Karamağara-Gölbaşı



Landslides and Rockfalls





Landslide observed in Tepehan-Hatay and Rockfalls observed in Karamağara-Gölbaşı-Adıyaman

Earthquake Engineering Research Institute Permanent Ground/Soil Displacements and/or Deformations: Fault Offsets





a) Sentinel-2 deformation analyses provided by COMET after Cetin and Ilgac (2023), b) fault offsets mapped b) across the Erkenek Dam, in c) Çelikhan, d) Pazarcık, e) Islahiye, and f) Balkar







a)







e)

c)

Erkenek Dam

d)





Gölbaşı-Malatya Highway a) 37.86332°N 37.7675°E b) 37.86332°N 37.7675°E Ceyhan-İskenderun

Gölbaşı-Adıyaman

Malatya-Gölbaşı Highway

c) 37.90435°N 37.8117°E

d) 36.684°N 36.218°E

Highway

Retaining wall performance after the Kahramanmaraş Earthquakes: a) Stonewall, b) Cantilever, c, and d) anchored walls









Bahçe-Osmaniye







Permanent Ground/Soil Displacements Deformations: at Earthfill and Rockfill



<u>Dams</u>







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Kartalkaya Dam

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- The February 6, 2023 Kahramanmaraş-Turkiye Earthquake sequence yielded valuable and unique lessons for the earthquake and geotechnical engineering community, particulary in the following areas:
- A. Seismic Hazard Assessment:
 - Source Characterization: The sequence highlighted the importance of considering the possibility of multiple fault segments rupturing
 within a short timeframe, which may not have been adequately accounted for in seismic hazard assessments.
 - Ground Motion Prediction Equations (GMPEs): It revealed discrepancies between the predicted and recorded ground motion intensities, especially in proximity to the fault rupture, emphasizing the need for improved GMPEs.
- B. Geohazards:
 - Fault Displacements: The earthquake sequence demonstrated significant fault displacements, underscoring the need for resilient design and planning in seismically active regions.
 - Seismic Soil Liquefaction:
 - Instances of liquefaction-induced bearing capacity failures and ground deformations highlighted the vulnerability of structures built on liquefiable soils.
 - Clayey soils with PI > 20 % produced ejecta in Gölbaşı-Adıyaman and at Hatay Airport.





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- B. Geohazards:
 - Landslides and Rockfalls: The widespread occurrence of landslides and rockfalls emphasized the need for comprehensive slope stability assessments and mitigation measures. 92 lives lost due to landslides and rockfalls. Probabilistic assessment of seismically induced landslides and rockfalls needed
 - Permanent displacements in embankments and earthfill and rockfill dams subjected to high intensity shaking. A valuable database to update our current post-seismic permanent displacement predictive models.
 - Stone gravity walls performed poorly under high seismic demands. Well-designed and constructed reinforced earth walls performed exceptionally well.
 - The filter zones in earthfill and rockfill dams typically consist of liquefiable sand and gravel. Inadequate compaction in these zones lead to liquefaction and concentrated displacements at filter interfaces.





<u>15 Million Residents were affected,</u> <u>Over 50,000 lives lost,</u> <u>650,000 residential units unoccupiable</u> <u>100 Billion dollar economical loss</u>

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