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## **Workshop Presentation Title**

## Three Dimensional Modelling of Cairo Citadel

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An inside picture for the Cairo Citadel

## **1-Introduction**

#### 1.1 Aim of the presentation

- Illustrating the steps of creating a three dimensional model of Cairo Citadel
- Demonstrating the static and dynamic response of the Citadel
- Illustrating the effect of using Vibrating Barriers
  (ViBa) on the dynamic response of the Citadel

#### **1.2 Why 3D numerical modelling of Cairo Citadel is important**

- Cairo Citadel is one of the most important monuments in Egypt
- Complexity of the Citadel geometry
- Difficulty of performing dynamic analysis for the Citadel Especially in the existence of ViBa





#### 2.1 Cairo Citadel Location

Cairo Citadel is located in Al-Mokattam area, which is at the coordinates of 30 degrees North and 31.15 degrees East.



#### Google earth snapshot for Cairo Citadel

#### 2.2 Cairo Citadel Parts

The Citadel Consists of two parts; the Mosque and the nave



2- Cairo Citadel Scanning 2.3 Cairo Citadel views ----

Vertical View in the long direction (North-Dir.)

Vertical View in the short direction (East-Dir.)



Horizontal Plane Dimensions of the mosque





Elevation Dimensions of the mosque (North-Dir.)



Elevation Dimensions of the mosque (East-Dir.)

## **2.4** Cairo Citadel Dimensions



Horizontal Plane Dimensions of the Nave

- 2.5 Cairo Citadel 3D digital model
- A digital 3D model of the Cairo Citadel was created in AutoCAD program to be imported in the structural analysis programs
- All elements of the Cairo Citadel in the AutoCAD Program were drawn as 3D-Face elements



Video for the AutoCAD model of the Cairo Citadel

#### **3- Citadel and Soil Properties**

#### 3.1 Mechanical properties of the Citadel

Samples from the stones inside the site were tested in the lab for determining the properties of the materials used in building the Citadel.

## Mechanical properties of Citadel material (Limestone)

Value	Property
kg/m3 2700	Density
GPa 47	Elastic modulus
0.2	Poisson's ratio

#### > 3.2 Mechanical properties of the Soil

Borehole with a depth of 10 meters were dug to determine the properties of the soil in citadel area.

Depth (m)	Soil Log	Material Description	Notes
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## 4- Numerical Modelling of Cairo Citadel Using Abaqus

#### 4.1 Modelling of the Citadel (mosque part)

#### Importing the DXF file to Abqus



#### Steps of importing the DXF file

## 4- Numerical Modelling of Cairo Citadel Using Abaqus

## 4.1 Modelling of the Citadel (mosque part)

#### Citadel element types

- Domes and wall elements are shell elements of type S4R: 4-node linear thin or thick shell element
- Columns are solid elements of type C3D8R: 8-node linear brick element



Converting the shell elements to solid elements

#### 4.1 Modelling of the Citadel (mosque part)

#### Mesh technique



Elements with structured and free mesh techniques

## 4- Numerical Modelling of Cairo Citadel Using Abaqus



The overall Citadel (mosque part) mesh

## 4.2 Modelling of the Soil

## 4- Numerical Modelling of Cairo Citadel Using Abaqus

#### Soil Dimensions , element types and mesh technique

- □ Soil Dimension = 250x250x40m
- Green blocks are solid elements of type
  C3D8R: 8-node linear brick element
- Yellow Blocks are semi-infinite of type CIN3D8





#### Soil mesh technique

## 4.2 Modelling of the Soil

## 4- Numerical Modelling of Cairo Citadel Using Abaqus

#### Assembling and overall mesh



Assembling constraints

Assembling overall mesh



#### **Dynamic loads**

## 4- Numerical Modelling of Cairo Citadel Using Abaqus



AQABA-EW earthquake record

Abaqus/CAE 2018 - Model Database: D:\Pyramids-Citadel\4-7-2021\Citadel on soil -4-7-2021-V2.cae [Viewport: 1]



Abaqus AQABA-EW input



## 4- Numerical Modelling of Cairo Citadel Using Abaqus

#### **Boundary Conditions**



Displacements and rotations BCs (initial step +static step)

#### Displacements and rotations BCs (dynamic step)

### **5- Cairo Citadel Analysis**

**5.1** Static response



Static Deformed shape contours for the displacement magnitude

#### **5.2** Dynamic response

#### **5- Cairo Citadel Analysis**



3D deformed shape contours video for the displacement magnitude

#### **5.2** Dynamic response

**5- Cairo Citadel Analysis** 



Side view deformed shape contours video for the displacement magnitude

#### 6.1 ViBa material and dimensions

- The ViBa Blocks materials are assumed to be concrete
- □ The ViBa Block weight is assumed to be 0.4 from the Citadel weight and accordingly the ViBa dimensions are 40x10x40m
- □ The ViBa is assumed to locate at 15m far from the Citadel
- The ViBa Blocks materials are assumed to be concrete



## 6- ViBa Modelling and its Effect

#### 6.2 ViBa constraints

The ViBa sides are tied to the surrounding soil (nodes have the same rotational DOF)



3D view of ViBa constraints

3D view of ViBa concrete Blocks (outlined with red color)



6.3 Overall Citadel mesh including the ViBa blocks

## 6- ViBa Modelling and its Effect



3D view for the Citadel overall mesh including the ViBa blocks

## 6- ViBa Modelling and its Effect

6.4 Comparison of the dynamic response of the Citadel without and with ViBa



Displacement with time for the highest node of the minaret without and with using ViBa

- A realistic three dimensional scan for the Cairo Citadel was carried out
- A digital 3D model of the Cairo Citadel was created in AutoCAD program
- **3** 3D numerical model of the Cairo Citadel (Mosque part) was created using Abqus
- Static and dynamic analysis of the Cairo Citadel was performed without and with using ViBa
- The dynamic response is mitigated 12 % using ViBa (studied case)
- □ ViBa will be a promising method to protect Ancient Monuments from earthquakes
- A comprehensive parametric study should be done to study the effect of ViBa weight, material, dimensions, and distance from the Cairo Citadel

Thank you