INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARING FULL PAPER FOR THE 4TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON EARTHQUAKE ENGINEERING

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ABSTRACT

This document describes the format instructions for preparing full papers for the 4th International Conference on Earthquake Engineering to be held in Taipei, Taiwan on October 12 and 13, 2006. It is our goal to be relatively flexible in the format, yet maintain a reasonable degree of consistency between papers in the final proceedings. The abstract can be shorter than the original abstract, since the maximum paper length is only ten pages. A good abstract should be an informative summary of the most important results. It should not be a summary of subjects covered. The abstract is of utmost importance, because it is the most widely read portion of a manuscript.

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INTRODUCTION

The papers presented at the 4th International Conference on Earthquake Engineering will be collected in the conference proceedings in a digital form (DVD-ROM) and be distributed during the conference. This document describes, and is formatted in, the desired format for the papers.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- Paper Number: On the upper right corner of this document, please remember to fill in your Paper Number. Your Paper Number is given in the abstract acceptance notification letter.
- Full Paper Submission Online: The Acrobat PDF format is required. It is recommended to use the conversion setting of "eBook" quality or other high quality conversion settings to ensure the readability and clarity of figures and photos.
- Deadline: Papers should be submitted between May 1 and July 31, 2006 (inclusive) through our online paper collection site at http://icee2006.ncree.org.tw. All papers will be acknowledged upon receipt.
- Language: All papers must be written in standard English and must conform to accepted usage, grammar and syntax.

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The general format requirements are as follows:

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- 3. Title: 16-pt bold Times New Roman, centered, all caps, with single line spacing, and should be preceded by a 3-lines space and followed by a 2-lines space.
- 4. Authors/Affiliation: 11-pt Times New Roman, with single line spacing, and should be preceded by a 2-lines space and followed by a 2-lines space and then followed by superscript footnote number(s). The title and the affiliation of the author(s), in 9 pt Times New Roman, single spacing, should be listed at the end of the first page.
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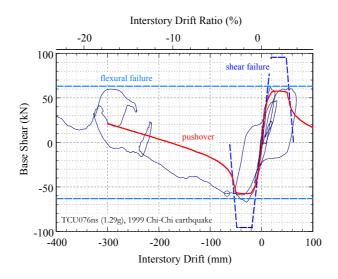


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CONCLUSIONS

Each paper is expected to concisely state the conclusions of the work. The Conclusions section should discuss the significance and applicability of the work, and not merely restate the abstract. Great care should be exercised to make explicit the limitations or conditions under which the results can be applied.

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Acknowledgments should be succinct and used only as necessary.

APPENDIX

Appendices only should be used to provide information that would otherwise interrupt the principle focus of the paper or to provide supplemental information to be read by a small portion of the readership. If more than one appendix is necessary, they should be numbered. Appendices should precede the References section.

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