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## 22 Abstract

In thermal-related engineering such as thermal energy structures and nuclear waste 23 24 disposal, it is essential to well understand volume change and excess pore water 25 pressure buildup of soils under thermal cycles. However, most existing thermo-26 mechanical models can merely simulate one heating-cooling cycle and fail in capturing 27 accumulation phenomenon due to multiple thermal cycles. In this study, a two surface 28 elasto-plastic model considering thermal cyclic behavior is proposed. This model is 29 based on the bounding surface plasticity and progressive plasticity by introducing two 30 yield surfaces and two loading yield limits. A dependency law is proposed by linking 31 two loading yield limits with a thermal accumulation parameter  $n_c$ , allowing the thermal 32 cyclic behavior to be taken into account. Parameter  $n_c$  controls the evolution rate of the 33 inner loading yield limit approaching the loading yield limit following a thermal loading 34 path. By extending the thermo-hydro-mechanical equations into the elastic-plastic state, 35 the excess pore water pressure buildup of soil due to thermal cycles is also accounted. 36 Then, thermal cycle tests on four fine-grained soils (natural Boom clay, Geneva clay, 37 Bonny silt and reconstituted Pontida clay) under different OCRs and stresses are 38 simulated and compared. The results show that the proposed model can well describe 39 both strain accumulation phenomenon and excess pore water pressure buildup of fine-40 grained soils under the effect of thermal cycles.

41 Keywords: fine-grained soils; strain accumulation; thermal cycles; two-surface model;
42 excess pore water pressure buildup

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## 43 **1. Introduction**

Around energy piles [1-3], nuclear waste canisters [4], buried tunnels and pipes [5], the 44 45 soils suffer from temperature effects, especially heating-cooling cycles. Observations 46 of different fine-grained soils in the laboratory and in the field [6-11] showed that 47 heating generally induced non-negligible volume change and excess pore water 48 pressure buildup. Several thermo-mechanical models were proposed to describe this 49 thermo-mechanical behavior of fine-grained soils [13-21]. Some of them extended the Cam-clay or modified Cam-clay model to the temperature effect by introducing a 50 51 shrinking yield surface [13-17]. These models could describe some basic thermo-52 mechanical behavior, but fail to describe the soil behavior in over-consolidated states. 53 In order to well describe the small thermo-mechanical elastic zone and the shear 54 softening behavior, some advanced models consider two yield surfaces based on the 55 bounding surface theory [18-21]. Hong et al. [22] made a comparison among some of 56 these advanced models, and showed that the multiple plastic hardening mechanism 57 were of paramount importance in modeling complex thermal loading behavior.

Though numerous efforts were made in thermal mechanical modeling, most existing models can only simulate the case of one thermal cycle and fail in describing the soil behavior under multiple heating-cooling cycles. As more attention has been paid to the long-term performance [11,12,25,26,27,40], the volume change and excess pore water pressure accumulation due to temperature variation can act as a significant factor influencing the safety of energy structures. Demars and Charles [23] reported a series 64 of drained thermal cycle tests on high plastic marine clays and found that permanent reduction in void ratio (a function of over-consolidation ratio) gradually reduced due to 65 66 temperature cycles (see Fig.1). Plum et al. [24] conducted an undrained heating-cooling 67 cycle tests on Newfield clay. After four thermal cycles, the accumulation of excess pore 68 water pressure was still increasing. Pastén et al. [40] experimentally observed the 69 thermally driven displacement accumulation with the number of temperature cycles and 70 developed a thermally induced ratcheting mechanism for a smooth interface. All those 71 observations show that multiple thermal cycles should be considered in thermal 72 mechanical modeling of clays. Zhou et al. [28] recently proposed a bounding surface 73 model with a memory surface to consider the thermal cyclic behavior. However, this 74 imposed memory surface actually has no effect on the accumulation behavior of 75 normally consolidated soil because this memory surface coincides with the bounding 76 surface in this circumstance. Ma et al. [29] proposed a thermal stabilization line in 77 hypoplastic modeling approach. Though three thermal parameters are introduced, the 78 proposed hypoplastic model fails to describe the strain accumulation during relatively 79 small temperature changes because it always simulates an unrealistic elastic behavior 80 before entering the elasto-plastic zone following a thermal loading path. More recently, 81 Zymnis et al. [41] proposed a simple calibration procedure for Tsinghua ThermoSoil 82 (TTS) model and studied the capabilities of simulating the long-term accumulation of 83 strains due to thermal cycles. However, those existing models for thermal cyclic 84 behavior merely considered the strain accumulation behavior under drained conditions

though the excess pore water pressure buildup due to temperature effects are at least ofequal importance from the best of the authors' knowledge.

87 In the present work, a two surface thermo-plastic model, namely ACC2-T, is 88 proposed to consider the thermal cyclic behavior based on the previous TEAM model 89 by Hong et al. [21]. The proposed model unifies the loading yield limits and the thermal 90 yield limits. To connect the inner loading yield limit and the loading yield limit, a 91 flexible dependency law is incorporated and combined with isotropic and progressive 92 hardening laws to account for multiple thermal cycles. In the dependency law, a 93 parameter  $n_c$  is introduced to control accumulation rate through the evolution rate of the 94 inner loading yield limit approaching the loading yield limit. Meanwhile, the proposed 95 model is extended to undrained condition by applying the thermo-hydro-mechanical 96 equations by Coussy [30] into the elastic-plastic state. Then, the rationale of ACC2-T 97 model is discussed in terms of elasto-plasticity and thermodynamic theories. Lastly, the 98 thermal cycle test results of four fine-grained soils (natural Boom clay, Geneva clay, 99 Bonny silt and reconstituted Pontida clay) under different OCRs and stresses are used 100 to verify the proposed model.

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## 102 **2. Model description**

103 In this section, the proposed model (ACC2-T) is presented using typical constitutive 104 variables, namely mean effective stress p', deviator stress q, temperature T and the 105 corresponding increments (dp', dq, dT). The soil behavior is assumed to be isotropic and the constitutive model is developed and formulated in the conventional triaxialconditions.

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## 109 2.1 Thermo-elastic behavior

110 In ACC2-T model, the soil deformation can be divided into thermo-elastic and thermo-111 plastic parts.

In the thermo-elastic part, the elastic law adopted in many other models [31,36,37] in isothermal conditions are extended into non-isothermal conditions for its simplicity. the total elastic volumetric strain increment associated with mechanical and thermal loading and the elastic shear strain assumed purely mechanical are calculated as follows:  $d\varepsilon_{v}^{e} = \frac{\kappa dp'}{\upsilon p'} - \alpha_{1} dT, \quad d\varepsilon_{s}^{e} = \frac{dq}{3G}, \quad G = \frac{3(1-2v)}{2(1+v)} \frac{\upsilon p'}{\kappa}$ (1)

117 where  $d\varepsilon_v^e$ ,  $d\varepsilon_s^e$  is the elastic volumetric strain increment  $(d\varepsilon_v^e = d\varepsilon_1^e + d\varepsilon_2^e + d\varepsilon_3^e)$ 118 and the elastic shear strain increment  $(d\varepsilon_s^e = \frac{2}{3}(d\varepsilon_1^e - d\varepsilon_3^e))$ .  $\kappa$  is the elastic slope in  $(v, 119 \ln p')$  plane and v is the specific volume.  $\alpha_1$  is the thermal elastic compressibility index 120 which assumed a positive constant because heating induces soil expansion. G is shear 121 modulus and v is the Poisson's ratio.

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#### 123 2.2 Thermo-plastic behavior

124 The thermo-plastic mechanism of ACC2-T model consists of two yield surfaces and 125 plastic potential surface, the dependency law, the isotropic and progressive hardening 126 laws and the flow rules.

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## 128 2.2.1 Yield surfaces and plastic potential surfaces

In ACC2-T model, two yield surfaces, namely loading surface (*fi*) and yield surface (*fy*),
with a generalized formulation [31] are implemented to model the yielding of both stiff

131 and soft clays.

132 Loading Surface: 
$$f_I = q^2 + \frac{M_f^2}{1 - k_f} \left(\frac{p'}{r\bar{p}'_{cT}}\right)^{\frac{2}{k_f}} \left(r\bar{p}'_{cT}\right)^2 - \frac{M_f^2 p'^2}{1 - k_f} = 0$$
 (2)

133 Yield Surface: 
$$f_Y = q^2 + \frac{M_f^2}{1 - k_f} \left(\frac{p'}{\bar{p}'_{cT}}\right)^{\frac{2}{k_f}} \bar{p}'_{cT}^2 - \frac{M_f^2 p'^2}{1 - k_f} = 0$$
 (3)

where  $M_f$  is the stress ratio at the apex of two surfaces,  $k_f$  is a parameter specifying the 134 shape of yield surfaces,  $\bar{p}'_{cT}$  is the pre-consolidation pressure at current temperature T 135 and r is the inverse of over-consolidation ratio (OCR) at current temperature T. The 136 conceptual plot of two yield surfaces at various temperature is given in Fig. 2(a). To 137 consider the thermo-mechanical behavior, the two surfaces are extended into three-138 dimensional plot (p', q, T) with two loading yield limits. The two loading yield limits, 139 namely the inner loading yield limit (*ILY*) and the loading yield limit (*LY*) are linked by 140 the proposed dependency law which is discussed in Yield limits and dependency law 141 section. 142

143 The plastic potential surface  $g_l$  takes the same form as for loading surface, but with 144 different parameters  $M_g$  and  $k_g$ :

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$$g_I = q^2 + \frac{M_g^2}{1 - k_g} \left(\frac{p'}{r\beta}\right)^{\frac{2}{k_g}} (r\beta)^2 - \frac{M_g^2 p'^2}{1 - k_g} = 0$$
 (4)

146 and it leads to a dilatancy equation in the case of triaxial compression:

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$$\frac{d\varepsilon_{v}^{p}}{d\varepsilon_{s}^{p}} = \frac{\frac{\partial g_{I}}{\partial p'}}{\frac{\partial g_{I}}{\partial q}} = \frac{M_{g}^{2} - \eta^{2}}{k_{g}\eta}$$
(5)

where  $d\varepsilon_v^p$  is the plastic volumetric strain increment,  $d\varepsilon_s^p$  is the plastic shear strain 148 increment,  $\eta$  denotes the stress ratio q/p',  $M_g$  defines the critical stress ratio at failure 149 where no further volumetric strain increment develops,  $k_g$  is a constant parameter which 150 controls the ratio of plastic volumetric strain increment and plastic shear strain 151 increment and  $\beta$  is the size parameter. Typically, an unassociated flow rule is adopted 152 for modeling complex mechanical behaviors. However, when  $M_g = M_f$  and  $k_g = k_f$ , an 153 associated flow rule would be recovered. When  $k_g = k_f = 2$ , elliptical surfaces like 154 modified Cam-clay model are recovered. 155

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157 2.2.2 Hardening laws

In ACC2-T model, two plastic hardening mechanisms fixed to reference temperature *T*<sub>0</sub> are adopted to control the evolution of yield surface and loading surface.

160 In the isotropic hardening rule, as same as in Modified Cam-clay model, the 161 evolution of pre-consolidation pressure  $\overline{p}'_{c0}$  at reference temperature  $T_0$  is linked to the 162 plastic volumetric strain increment:

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$$d\bar{p}_{c0}' = \frac{\upsilon}{\lambda - \kappa} \bar{p}_{c0}' d\varepsilon_{\nu}^{p}$$
(6)

164 where  $\lambda$  is the normal consolidation slope in ( $\nu$ , ln p') plane and  $d\overline{p}'_{c0}$  is the increment 165 of pre-consolidation pressure. It means the evolution of yield surface is dominated by 166 the plastic volumetric strain.

167 The progressive hardening variable  $dr_0$ , at reference temperature  $T_0$ , is defined with 168 a combined volumetric and shear plastic strain as follows:

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$$dr_0 = \frac{\upsilon}{\lambda - \kappa} s \left( 1 - r_0 \right) \left( d\varepsilon_{\nu}^p + A_d d\varepsilon_s^p \right)$$
(7)

170 where  $r_0$  is the inverse of over-consolidation ratio (OCR) at current temperature  $T_0$  and 171  $dr_0$  is the increment. *s* is a material constant which controls the hardening rate of loading 172 surface in approaching yield surface.  $A_d$  is a material constant which controls the 173 contribution of shear plastic strain.

In this progressive hardening rule, parameter  $r_0$  is always less than or equal to 1 (0 < 174  $r_0 \leq 1$ ). When the loading surface is completely inside the yield surface ( $0 < r_0 < 1$ ), it 175 means the soil is over-consolidated. Within the hardening process, plastic strain 176 increases and the loading surface begins to move towards the yield surface  $(dr_0 > 0)$ . 177 When  $r_0 = 1$ , the loading surface and the yield surface coincide. The soil turns into 178 normally consolidated state as the same case of MCC model. Note that the loading 179 surface could not run out of the yield surface  $(r_0 > 1)$  for the fact that if  $r_0 > 1$ ,  $dr_0 < 0$ 180 holds. With such a combined volumetric-deviatoric hardening law, the inclusion of 181 shear hardening part ( $d\varepsilon_s^p > 0$ ) would lead to a positive plastic modulus (h > 0) even 182 when the effective stress state  $(d\varepsilon_v^p = 0)$  reach the critical state line (CSL). As a 183 consequence, the stress point lying on the loading surface can cross the CSL, 184

hardening continues to a stress point  $(d\varepsilon_v^p < 0, d\varepsilon_s^p > 0, h = 0)$  and then the stress point  $(d\varepsilon_v^p < 0, d\varepsilon_s^p > 0, h < 0)$  would move back to the CSL. This approach allows to predict shear softening behavior and it is often the case of highly over-consolidated states of soil.

189 With these isotropic and progressive hardening rules, the plastic modulus and190 increment stress-strain relationship of ACC2-T model are obtained in Appendix A.

191 Under loading and heating processes, two hardening variables  $\overline{p}'_{c0}$  and  $r_0$  are 192 activated with the evolution of plastic strain. However, under unloading and cooling 193 processes, pure elastic strain develops with a fixed value of  $\overline{p}'_{c0}$ . Due to ACC2-T model 194 strictly adhering to the principle that the stress point is always lying on the loading 195 surface, the value of  $r_0$  could be re-calculated by a simple Newton-Raphson Method 196 with unconditional stability.

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## 198 2.2.3 Yield limits and dependency law

In the two surface models, the loading surface and the yield surface are geometrically similar in (p', q) plane with a corresponding radial mapping rule. In previous TEAM model [21], two yield limit mechanisms, namely thermal yield limits (ITY, TY) and loading yield limits (ILY, LY) are adopted to model the thermal behavior. These yield limit mechanisms in TEAM model (see Fig.3(a)) enable the thermal elastic response in reloading path to occur before entering the elasto-plastic zone. Therefore, the TEAM model could not simulate the strain accumulation phenomenon due to temperature variations. In order to overcome this shortcoming and extend the model to the case of
multiple thermal cycles, the loading yield limits (*ILY*, *LY*) are unified to consider both
the thermal yield and loading yield mechanisms. Meanwhile, a new dependency law is
proposed to connect *ILY* and *LY*.

210 In the dependency law, the pre-consolidation pressure  $\bar{p}'_{cT}$  at current temperature T

211 takes the original form and it would decrease with the increase of temperature:

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$$\bar{p}'_{cT} = \bar{p}'_{c0} \exp\left[-\alpha_0 (T - T_0)\right]$$
 (8)

where  $\overline{p}'_{c0}$  is pre-consolidation pressure at reference temperature  $T_0$ ;  $\alpha_0$  is a material constant controlling the thermal plastic behavior.

215 The other part of the dependency law *r* is defined as below:

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$$r = \frac{1}{OCR} = \frac{p'}{\overline{p}'} = \frac{q}{\overline{q}} = \frac{p'_{cT}}{\overline{p}'_{cT}}$$
(9)

where (p', q),  $(\overline{p}', \overline{q})$  is the corresponding stress point in loading surface and yield surface at current temperature *T*, respectively.

- 219 Unlike TEAM model with the assumption that  $r = r_0$ , ACC2-T model takes the form
- that would make *ILY* not necessarily homologous to *LY* any longer (see Fig.3(b)):

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$$r = r_0 \exp\left[-\alpha_0 (r_0^{n_c} - 1)(T - T_0)\right]$$
 (10)

where  $n_c$  is a thermal parameter which controls the strain accumulation rate under multiple thermal cycles.

The combined dependency law made up by  $\bar{p}'_{cT}$  and *r* then is expressed by:

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$$r\bar{p}'_{cT} = r_0 \bar{p}'_{c0} \exp\left[-\alpha_0 r_0^{n_c} (T - T_0)\right]$$
 (11)

In the proposed law, the shape of *ILY* is governed by the key thermal accumulation

227 parameter  $n_c$ . Parameter  $n_c$  controls the evolution rate of *ILY* approaching *LY* by the two isotropic and progressive hardening rules. In order to illustrate the plastic mechanism 228 under the thermal path, two cases in the isotropic states, namely  $n_c < 0$  and  $n_c = 0$ , are 229 230 compared in Fig.4. Both two cases are at initial stress state A, then heated up to stress 231 state B and finally cooled down to stress state A. Under the heating path from A to B, the *ILY* without  $n_c$  ( $n_c = 0$ ) would induce a increment of  $\Delta r_1$ . For the case of  $n_c < 0$ , it 232 would induce a increment of  $\Delta r_1 + \Delta r_2 + \Delta r_3$  if the shape of *ILY* is fixed. However, with 233 the effect of  $n_c$ , the original ILY (see Fig.4(b), dotted line I) would gradually turn into 234 solid line II with a actual increment of  $\Delta r_1 + \Delta r_2$ . The larger increment  $\Delta r_1 + \Delta r_2$  in 235 236 hardening variable dr<sub>0</sub> would mean larger plastic volumetric strain increments than the case of  $n_c = 0$ . Under the cooling path from B to A, the mechanical response is purely 237 238 elastic and the shape of *ILY* would turn from II into I. For the case of  $n_c > 0$ , the 239 increment in hardening variable  $dr_0$  would induce smaller strain increments than  $n_c = 0$ . 240 Under multiple thermal cycles, the value of  $r_0$  would be smaller and smaller.

Under such a unique dependency law, the evolution rate of *ILY* is actually the evolution rate of strain accumulation. With a proper selection of parameter  $n_c$  in the dependency law, ACC2-T model allows the strain accumulation under the effect of multiple thermal cycles to be modelled. Some important features about the dependency law and parameter  $n_c$  are summarized below:

1. When the current temperature *T* is equal to the reference temperature  $T_0$ , *r* becomes equal to  $r_0$ . It means that  $n_c$  would have no effect on the stress-strain relationship at

248 reference temperature  $T_0$ .

2. When soil turns into the normal consolidated state ( $r_0 = 1$ ), r is also equal to 1. In that 249 250 case, *ILY* would coincide with *LY*. It means that  $n_c$  would have no effect on the behavior 251 of normal consolidated soils under either isothermal or non-isothermal condition. 252 3. When  $n_c$  is equal to zero (bold line in Fig. 3(b)), r becomes equal to  $r_0$ . In that case, 253 a similarity between *ILY* and *LY* would be recovered. This is just the case of *ILY* and *LY* 254 used in TEAM model [21]. 255 4. Theoretically, the value of  $n_c$  can be chosen from negative infinity to positive infinity. 256 When  $n_c$  tends to positive infinity, *ILY* would tend to be the dotted line in Fig. 3(b). 257 When  $n_c$  tends to negative infinity, *ILY* would tend to approach the temperature axis T 258 in Fig. 3(b). A larger  $n_c$  represents a quicker strain accumulation rate which would 259 induce smaller total volumetric strain accumulation under the effect of thermal cycles. 5. Any possible r is smaller than 1. During the heating process, the hardening 260 mechanism enables  $r_0$  to approach 1. Thus, r would also have its limit value of 1 which 261 implies that the over-consolidation ratio of soil is always larger than or equal to 1. 262 263

# **3. Loading path independence**

After the description of the proposed model extended to thermal cyclic behavior, it is essential to discuss the rationale of ACC2-T model in terms of elasto-plastic theory and thermodynamic theory as Hong et al. [22] did on three existing thermo-mechanical models [19,20,25,28,29]. The verification of loading path independence is made up by both the thermo-elastic and thermo-plastic part. The schematic plot is given in Fig.5. Heating is treated as a special isotropic loading. Therefore, merely isotropic condition (q=0) is considered during the derivation. The thermo-elastic part is discussed as below and the derivation in thermo-plastic regime is attached in Appendix B.

In the thermo-elastic mechanism (Eq.3) of ACC2-T model, the bulk modulus 273  $K = \frac{\upsilon p'}{\omega}$  is independent of temperature, and thermal elastic compressibility index  $\alpha_1$ 274 is also independent of mean effective stress. Such elastic volumetric strain in ACC2-T 275 model is surely loading path independent in (p', T) plane. Note that the thermo-elastic 276 mechanism leads to loading path dependent in (p', q) plane since the Maxwell symmetry 277 278 relations are not satisfied. A possible way is to extend a hyperelastic law [39] into non-279 isothermal conditions. For simplicity of parameter calibration, merely this thermo-280 elastic mechanism is considered here.

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## **4. Analysis and determination of model parameters**

The proposed ACC2-T model contain fifteen parameters ( $\lambda$ ,  $\kappa$ ,  $\overline{p}'_{c0}$ , v,  $M_f$ ,  $k_f$ ,  $M_g$ ,  $k_g$ , s,  $r_0$ ,  $A_d$ ,  $\alpha_0$ ,  $\alpha_1$ ,  $T_0$ ,  $n_c$ ). Five of them ( $\lambda$ ,  $\kappa$ ,  $\overline{p}'_{c0}$ , v,  $M_g$ ) are commonly defined in MCC model. ( $M_f$ ,  $k_f$ ), ( $M_g$ ,  $k_g$ ) control the shapes of yield surfaces and plastic potential surfaces, respectively. Three parameters (s,  $r_0$ ,  $A_d$ ) are used to consider a progressive yielding of two surfaces. Four parameters ( $\alpha_0$ ,  $\alpha_1$ ,  $T_0$ ,  $n_c$ ) are defined to consider the thermal influence on the soil behavior. The procedure for determining these parameters is described and key parameters ( $\lambda$ ,  $\kappa$ ,  $\overline{p}'_{c0}$ , s,  $r_0$ ,  $\alpha_0$ ,  $\alpha_1$ ,  $T_0$ ,  $n_c$ ) related to thermal accumulation behavior are discussed on the set of model parameters for natural Boomclay in Fig. 6.

1. By an isotropic compression test or oedometer test under reference temperature  $T_0$ ,  $\kappa, \lambda$ , the initial  $r_{0,0}$  and  $\overline{p}'_{c0,0}$  are determined in  $(v, \ln p')$  plane in Fig.6(1). Note that parameter *s* controls the hardening rate of loading surface in approaching yield surface. It can be determined by fitting nonlinearity from over-consolidated states to normal consolidated state in  $(v, \ln p')$  plane.

297 2. By an isotropic heating-cooling test at normally consolidated states,  $\alpha_1$  is 298 determined by fitting data of cooling stage and  $\alpha_0$  is determined by the heating test in 299  $(T, \Delta \varepsilon_{\nu})$  plane in Fig.6(2).

3. By a continuous thermal cycle test, the volumetric strain increment by each thermal 301 cycle  $\Delta \varepsilon_{v,st}$  can be obtained ( $\Delta \varepsilon_{v,st}$ , *n*) plane in Fig.6(3). The thermal accumulation 302 parameter  $n_c$ , which controls the strain accumulation rate, is then determined by 303 calibrating the strain accumulation under each thermal cycle.

304 4.  $M_f$ ,  $k_f$ .  $M_f$  denotes the apex of yield surface and  $k_f$  controls the shape of yield surface.

305 They are calibrated by fitting the converntional yield points of various stress paths.

306 5.  $M_g$  is the critical state stress ratio and it is calibrated by the effective stress ratio at critical state.

308 6.  $k_g$  controls plastic flow direction. It is determined by fitting the values of  $d\varepsilon_v^p/d\varepsilon_s^p$ 

309 in drained triaxial shear tests.

310 7. The poisson's ratio v is determined by a triaxial tests at low strain level in the  $(\varepsilon_v - \varepsilon_l)$ 

311 plane:  $v = (\varepsilon_v - \varepsilon_l)/2$ .

8.  $A_d$  represents the contribution of the plastic shear strain in the hardening process. It is calibrated by fitting the results of triaxial compression tests at over-consolidated states in  $(q, \varepsilon_l)$  or  $(\varepsilon_v, \varepsilon_l)$  plane in Fig.6(4).

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## **5. Model Validation and prediction**

317 In this section, four different fine-grained soils, namely natural Boom clay, Geneva clay,

318 Bonny silt and reconstituted Pontida clay, are adopted to verify the capability of ACC2-

319 T model in modeling the thermal cyclic behavior.

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### 321 5.1 Natural Boom clay

322 One heating and cooling test on natural Boom clay ( $I_p = 31$ ) under isotropic stress 323 states performed by Baldi et al. [8] and two groups of triaxial compression tests 324 conducted by Lê [38] are taken into account.

In the heating and cooling test, specimen TBoom-9 taken from Mol at an in-situ depth of 223 m (initial pre-consolidated pressure of 6 MPa) is tested under a mixed mechanical and thermal loading process: the sample was firstly saturated under a constant mean effective stress of 2 MPa at 21.5 °C, loaded up to 4 MPa, unloaded to 1 MPa, heated up to 95 °C and cooled back to 21.5 °C, loaded up to 3 MPa at 21.5 °C and heated up to 95 °C and cooled back, loaded up to 6 MPa and heated up again and finally cooled back. In the loading process, three thermal cycles of temperature increment of 73.5 °C at different isotropic stress states, namely mean effective stress of
1 MPa, 3 MPa and 6 MPa, are selected for simulation. For better comparison between
the computed and measured results, the increments of volumetric strain are reset at the
starting point of each heating-cooling cycle. Moreover, Fig. 7 contains an isotropic
compression test of natural Boom clay from 2 MPa to 20 MPa, then back to 6 MPa.
Basic parameters for natural Boom clay are listed in Tab.1.

338 The TEAM model [21] and the proposed ACC2-T model are both used for simulation 339 in Fig.8. It appears that both models can describe the thermal volume change well for 340 normally consolidated or slightly over-consolidated state (p' = 6 MPa) adopting the same thermal elastic parameter  $\alpha_1$  and thermal plastic parameter  $\alpha_0$ . However, for 341 342 highly over-consolidated states (p' = 3 MPa, p' = 1 MPa), it is observed that ACC2-T 343 model gives a more consistent simulation than TEAM model. One reason is that TEAM 344 model always shows a linear elastic expansion behavior before entering the elasto-345 plastic zone and has no parameters controlling strain evolution. With this shortcoming, 346 TEAM model would fail to respond to thermal cycles and thus to describe strain 347 accumulation behavior, though complicated multiple plastic mechanisms are adopted. 348 However, in ACC2-T model, the stress point is always lying on the loading surface. 349 Combined with the isotropic and progressive hardening rules, the thermal accumulation 350 parameter  $n_c$  in the dependency law allows the ACC2-T model to better describe the 351 nonlinear expansion behavior and strain accumulation under over-consolidated states. Meanwhile, as natural Boom clay is relatively easy to contract under heating, the use 352

of a negative value of parameter  $n_c$  could facilitate the simulation of such aspect.

354 In the triaxial compression test, the experimental results of drained triaxial compression tests (  $p'_0 = 2.5$  MPa,  $p'_0 = 4$  MPa) at room temperature 25 °C and drained 355 triaxial compression tests ( $p'_0 = 2.5$  MPa,  $p'_0 = 3.8$  MPa) at high temperature 76 °C 356 [38] are considered in  $(q, \varepsilon_l)$  plane and  $(\varepsilon_{\nu}, \varepsilon_l)$  plane in Fig.9. In these moderate over-357 358 consolidated states, the shear strength at room temperature is a bit higher than high 359 temperture. However, a larger volumetric strain is generated at high temperature than 360 room temperature as shown in  $(\varepsilon_{\nu}, \varepsilon_{l})$  plane. At the same time, the smooth predictions 361 by ACC2-T model agree well with the experimental observations. Two values of  $n_c$  ( $n_c$ = -1,  $n_c = 0$ ) are selected to simulate the behavior at high temperature 76 °C. It indicates 362 363 that the value of  $n_c$  has a negligible effect on the prediction of triaxial tests. A numerical case at high over-consolidated state (  $p'_0 = 0.5$  MPa) under both two 364

temperatures (25 °C, 76 °C) are conducted. A slight shear dilatancy is predicted at axial strain of about 5%. However, the post-peak softening phenomenon in  $(q-\varepsilon_1)$  plane is not very apparent because parameter  $A_d$  ( $A_d = 0.1$ ) for natural Boom clay is very small to simulate behaviors at both high, slightly over-consolidated and normal consolidated states.

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## **5.2** *Geneva clay*

372 Multiple thermal cycles were applied on Geneva clays ( $I_p = 11.1$ ) in a temperature-373 controlled oedometer cell under drained condition [25]. A normally consolidated soil 374 sample with a vertical effective stress of 125 kPa was tested with four temperature
375 cycles from 5 °C from 60 °C, starting at a room temperature of 20 °C. The one376 dimension test results are simulated in Fig.7 and the calibrated model parameters are
377 listed in Tab.1.

378 Fig.10 shows the measured and computed soil behavior under multiple heating and 379 cooling cycles. The computed result of ACC2-T model (Fig.10(a)) shows a good 380 agreement with the measured one. The irreversible volumetric strain accumulates with 381 increasing thermal cycles, but at a decreasing rate (Fig.10(c)). The value of 3.5 is shown 382 appropriate for the thermal accumulation parameter  $n_c$  to control the strain 383 accumulation rate. For the case of TEAM model, the computed result of first thermal 384 cycle is the same as ACC2-T model. However, the response of TEAM model is purely 385 elastic thereafter and the thermal strain accumulation could not be described. In 386 Fig.10(b), a sensitivity analysis of ACC2-T model is conducted to study the effect of 387 parameter  $n_c$  on the strain accumulation. Two other  $n_c$  values of 0, 10 are selected for 388 this purpose. In the first thermal cycle, ACC2-T model gives the same results for all the 389 three  $n_c$  values because the thermal volumetric strain of normally consolidated soil is 390 only dependent on thermal elastic parameter  $\alpha_1$  and thermal plastic parameter  $\alpha_0$ . 391 From the second thermal cycle, the soil becomes over-consolidated. The thermal 392 accumulation parameter  $n_c$  starts to control the strain evolution rate. From Fig.10(c), it 393 appears that parameter  $n_c$  is positively correlated to the strain accumulation rate and a proper selection of parameter  $n_c$  is crucial for total strain accumulation. 394

#### 395 5.3 Bonny silt

396 Multiple heating and cooling cycles were applied on compacted Bonny silt ( $I_p = 4$ ) under different OCRs in a temperature-controlled oedometer cell [27]. Bonny silts were 397 398 first mechanically consolidated to a vertical effective stress of approximately 1200 kPa at a constant room temperature of 18 °C. Then, they were unloaded to reach five 399 different OCR values of 1.00, 1.28, 1.80, 7.36 and 30.29. Fig. 7 presents the 400 401 experimental and calibration results of one-dimensional test of Bonny silt. Four heating and cooling cycles were applied under drained condition with different OCRs in a 402 403 temperature ranging from 18 °C to 93 °C. 404 It can be seen from Fig.11 that at slightly over-consolidated states (i.e. OCR = 1, 1.28405 and 1.8), the measured and computed results show a good consistency. That means the 406 thermal accumulation parameter  $n_c$  can properly control the strain evolution rate under 407 various over-consolidated states. However, for highly over-consolidated ones (i.e. OCR 408 = 7.36, 30.29) in the literature [27], the volumetric strain accumulation is guite small or 409 even becomes negative, suggesting that the expansion and the contraction of the 410 oedometer cell can be no longer ignored. These two samples are not considered in the 411 simulation.

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413 5.4 Reconstituted Pontida clay

The excess pore water pressure accumulation due to thermal cycles in validated by a heating and cooling test of reconstituted Pontinda clay. Hueckel et al [12] reported this measured and computed results on reconstituted Pontida clay. The reconstituted silty 20 clay sample was firstly loaded to a mean effective stress state of 2.5 MPa. Then it
underwent a heating-cooling cycle from 22°C to 65°C and back to 22°C, then a
continuous heating to 95°C in a constant total isotropic stress state.

Although some previous models [19] consider the undrained behavior by imposing a constant volume condition which is imprecise under non-isothermal conditions, the undrained computation using ACC2-T model is obtained by extending the energy and mass conservation of thermo-poro-elastic media into elasto-plastic states [30].

424 In a saturated porous media, the current water mass  $(m_w)$  per unit volume can be 425 expressed as:

$$426 \qquad m_w = \rho_w \phi \tag{12}$$

427 where  $\rho_w$  is water density and  $\phi$  is the Lagrangian porosity.

428 In undrained conditions, water mass is constant and  $dm_w = 0$  holds, then

429 
$$\frac{dm_w}{\rho_w} = d\phi + \phi \frac{d\rho_w}{\rho_w} = d\phi + \phi (C_w du - \alpha_w dT) = 0$$
(13)

430 where  $\alpha_w$ ,  $C_w$ , is the water thermal expansion coefficient, water compressibility, 431 respectively.

In isotropic stress state and under non-isothermal condition, total mean stress change (*dp*) and Lagrangian porosity change ( $d\phi$ ) can be expressed with Maxwell's symmetry condition:

$$435 \qquad dp = \frac{l}{C_d} d\varepsilon_v + (l - \frac{C_s}{C_d}) du_w + \frac{\alpha_d}{C_d} dT \tag{14}$$

$$436 \qquad d\phi = -(1 - \frac{C_s}{C_d})d\varepsilon_v - (\phi - 1 + \frac{C_s}{C_d})C_s du_w + (\phi - 1 + \frac{C_s}{C_d})\alpha_s dT \tag{15}$$

where  $C_s$ ,  $C_d$ ,  $\alpha_s$ ,  $\alpha_d$  is the volumetric compressibility coefficient of solid grain, the volumetric compressibility of soil skeleton, the thermal expansion coefficient of solid grain and the thermal expansion coefficient of soil skeleton. It is often the case that  $\alpha_s$  $= \alpha_d$ .

Thus, the expressions for excess pore water pressure can be obtained, as follows:

442 
$$d\varepsilon_{v} = -(\phi\alpha_{w} + (1-\phi)\alpha_{s})dT + \phi(C_{w} - C_{s})du_{w} + C_{s}dp$$
(16)

With infinitesimal transformation and clayey soils, the fact  $(C_s \approx 0, n \approx \phi)$  is commonly accepted. Thus

445 
$$du_w = \frac{d\varepsilon_v + (n\alpha_w + (1-n)\alpha_s)dT}{nC_w}$$
(17)

446 where *n* is Eulerian porosity.

For reconstituted Pontida clay,  $\alpha_s$  is 1×10<sup>-5</sup> (1/°C) chosen as same as  $\alpha_1$ , which is calibrated from an undrained cooling process from 65°C to 22°C.  $\alpha_w$  and  $C_w$  are calibrated from a heating test of free water in the literature [35].

450 The computed results of excess pore water pressure by ACC2-T model and TEAM 451 model are compared to the measured data and Hueckel's simulation [12] in Fig.12. It is 452 seen that both predictions of ACC2-T model and TEAM model are more accurate than 453 Hueckel's simulation, especially the existed buildup of pore water pressure in 454 experimental results. During the heating stage from 22°C to 65°C, the mean effective 455 stress will decrease with temperature (equivalent to a mechanical loading under 456 undrained condition) and the effective stress-temperature path (T - p') initially enters 457 plasticity. With the plastic hardening of ILY, excess pore water pressure is increased. Then during the cooling stage from 65°C to 22°C, the response is purely elastic with a 458 459 decrease of the pore water pressure. Thereby, an irreversible excess pore water pressure 460 is observed after one heating-cooling cycle which is well captured by ACC2-T model 461 and TEAM model. Moreover, though the cooling stage is purely elastic, the ILY would 462 shrink to make the stress-temperature state always lying on it. However, during the re-463 heating process, TEAM model could not build up excess pore water pressure from 22°C 464 to 65 °C because the response is purely elastic. As for ACC2-T model, the clay sample 465 is initially over-consolidated, then began to build up excess pore water pressure with 466 the control of thermal accumulation parameter  $n_c$  in the whole process from 22°C to 95 °C. 467

468 5.5 Discussion

Four fine-grained soils are selected to verify the capability of ACC2-T model on 469 470 modelling thermal cyclic behaviors under drained and undrained conditions. A thermal 471 accumulation parameter  $n_c$  control the accumulation rate under multiple thermal cycles. 472 Meanwhile, the values of  $n_c$  are ranked as: natural Boom clay< reconstituted Pontida 473 clay<Geneva clay<Bonny silt. It means the clays, containing more clay contents, showing larger plastic index  $I_p$ , are more likely to accumulate volumatric strain and 474 build up excess pore water pressure. Generally, the larger is the plastic index  $I_p$ , the 475 476 smaller is the value of  $n_c$ . A liner regression function is obtained to evaluate the 477 correlation between parameter  $n_c$  and plastic index  $I_p$  in Fig. 13.

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479 **6. Concluding remarks** 

A two-surface plasticity model (ACC2-T) is proposed to describe the thermo-480 481 mechanical behavior of fine-grained soils under multiple thermal cycles. Compared 482 with TEAM model, two thermal yield limits are removed and the loading yield limits unify the thermal and loading yielding part. A dependency law with thermal 483 484 accumulation parameter  $n_c$  is used to link the inner loading yield limit and the loading yield limit. Parameter  $n_c$  controls the evolution rate of the inner loading yield limit 485 486 approaching the loading yield limit under thermal loading path. With such a unique dependency law and multiple plastic hardening rules, the model could well control the 487 488 thermal strain accumulation rate under drained conditions and pore water pressure

489	buildup rate under undrained conditions. Tests on four fine-grained soils are considered
490	to verify the proposed model. Comparison between prediction and experiment shows
491	that ACC2-T model can well capture the thermo-mechanical behavior of soils under
492	multiple thermal cycles.
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## 510 Notation

- $\alpha_0$  = parameter controlling thermal plastic behavior;
- $5_{12}$   $\alpha_1$  = parameter controlling thermal elastic behavior;
- $\beta$  = the size parameter of potential plastic surface;
- $\lambda, \kappa =$  slope of isotropic loading, reloading line respectively;
- v, v = current void ratio, Poisson's ratio respectively;
- $A_d$  = parameter controlling the contribution of shear plastic strain;
- $d\varepsilon$ ,  $d\sigma$ , dT = total strain, stress, temperature increment respectively;
- $d\mathbf{\varepsilon}_{\sigma}^{e}, d\mathbf{\varepsilon}_{T}^{e}$  = stress, thermal induced elastic strain increment respectively;
- $d\varepsilon_{v}, d\varepsilon_{v}^{e}, d\varepsilon_{s}^{e}$  = total volumetric, elastic volumetric, shear strain increment
- 520 respectively;
- $d\varepsilon^p$ ,  $d\varepsilon^p_v$ ,  $d\varepsilon^p_s$  = plastic, plastic volumetric, plastic shear strain increment
- 522 respectively;
- $\Lambda$  = plastic multiplier;
- $f_{I}, f_{Y}$  = Loading surface, yield surface respectively;
- G, K, h = elastic shear, elastic bulk, plastic modulus respectively;
- $k_f$ ,  $k_g$  = parameter controlling the shape of yield surface, plastic potential surface
- 527 respectively;
- $M_f$  = stress ratio at the apex of yield surface;
- $M_g, M_{g0}$  = critical stress ratio at current, reference temperature respectively;
- $p', \overline{p}' =$  current, mapping mean effective stress respectively;

- $p'_{cT}$ ,  $p'_{c0}$  = pre-consolidation pressure in loading surface at current, reference
- 532 temperature respectively;
- $\overline{p}'_{cT}$ ,  $\overline{p}'_{c0}$  = pre-consolidation pressure at current, reference temperature respectively;
- $q, \bar{q}$  = current, mapping deviator stress respectively;
- $r, r_0$  = reverse of OCR at current, reference temperature respectively;
- s = parameter controlling the rate of evolution of the slope of the stress--strain
- 537 relation;
- $T, T_0 =$  current, reference temperature respectively;
- $\mathbf{D}_{e}, \mathbf{D}_{ep}, \mathbf{D}_{et} =$  elastic, elasto-plastic, temperature stiffness matrix respectively;
- $\mathbf{m} =$ unit vector.

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## 556 Appendix A

557 The consistency condition of loading surface in ACC2-T model is adopted herein:

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$$\left(\frac{\partial f_I}{\partial \mathbf{\sigma}'}\right)^{t} : d\mathbf{\sigma}' + \frac{\partial f_I}{\partial T} dT + \frac{\partial f_I}{\partial \overline{p}'_{c0}} d\overline{p}'_{c0} + \frac{\partial f_I}{\partial r_0} dr_0 = 0$$
(A-1)

559 The plastic multiplier  $\Lambda$  and the plastic modulus *h* are obtained in non-isothermal 560 condition:

561 
$$d\varepsilon^{p} = \Lambda \frac{\partial g_{I}}{\partial \sigma'}$$
 (A-2)

562 
$$\Lambda = -\frac{\left(\frac{\partial f_I}{\partial \mathbf{\sigma}'}\right)^t : d\mathbf{\sigma}' + \frac{\partial f_I}{\partial T} dT}{\frac{\partial f_I}{\partial \overline{p}'_{c0}} \frac{\upsilon}{\lambda - k} \overline{p}'_{c0} \frac{\partial g_I}{\partial p'} + \frac{\partial f_I}{\partial r_0} \frac{\upsilon}{\lambda - k} s(1 - r_0)(\frac{\partial g_I}{\partial p'} + A_d \frac{\partial g_I}{\partial q})}$$
(A - 3)

563 
$$h = \frac{\upsilon}{\lambda - k} \left( \frac{\partial f_I}{\partial \overline{p}'_{c0}} \,\overline{p}'_{c0} \,\frac{\partial g_I}{\partial p'} + \frac{\partial f_I}{\partial r_0} \,s(1 - r_0) (\frac{\partial g_I}{\partial p'} + A_d \,\frac{\partial g_I}{\partial q}) \right) \tag{A-4}$$

The total strain increment is made up of mechanical elastic strain increment, thermalelastic strain increment and plastic strain increment.

566 
$$d\mathbf{\varepsilon} = d\mathbf{\varepsilon}_{\sigma'}^{e} + d\mathbf{\varepsilon}_{T}^{e} + d\mathbf{\varepsilon}^{p}$$
(A - 5)

567 The thermal elastic strain increment  $d\mathbf{\epsilon}_T^e$  is defined as:

568 
$$d\mathbf{\varepsilon}_{T}^{e} = -\frac{1}{3}\mathbf{m}\alpha_{1}dT \qquad (A-6)$$

569 where **m** is the column vector with 1 at normal stress entries and 0 at shear stress entries.

571 can be expressed:

572 
$$d\mathbf{\sigma}' = \mathbf{D}_e d\mathbf{\epsilon}_{\sigma'}^e = \mathbf{D}_e (d\mathbf{\epsilon} + \frac{1}{3}\mathbf{m}\alpha_1 dT - d\mathbf{\epsilon}^p)$$
 (A - 7)

573 where  $\mathbf{D}_e$  is the mechanical elastic matrix.

574 By substituting the plastic multiplier into Eq. A-7, the differential stress–strain 575 equations can be obtained:

576 
$$d\mathbf{\sigma}' = \mathbf{D}_{ep} d\mathbf{\varepsilon} + \mathbf{D}_{et} dT$$
 (A - 8)

577 where  $\mathbf{D}_{ep}$ ,  $\mathbf{D}_{et}$  are the mechanical elasto-plastic matrix and the thermal elasto-plastic 578 matrix, respectively.

579 
$$\mathbf{D}_{ep} = \mathbf{D}_{e} - \frac{\mathbf{D}_{e} \frac{\partial g_{I}}{\partial \mathbf{\sigma}'} \left(\frac{\partial f_{I}}{\partial \mathbf{\sigma}'}\right)^{t} \mathbf{D}_{e}}{\left(\frac{\partial f_{I}}{\partial \mathbf{\sigma}'}\right)^{t} \mathbf{D}_{e} \frac{\partial g_{I}}{\partial \mathbf{\sigma}'} + h}$$
(A - 9)  
580 
$$\mathbf{D}_{et} = \frac{\mathbf{D}_{e} \frac{\partial g_{I}}{\partial \mathbf{\sigma}'} \left[-\frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{\partial f_{I}}{\partial \mathbf{\sigma}'}\right)^{t} \mathbf{D}_{e} \mathbf{m} \alpha_{1} - \frac{\partial f_{I}}{\partial T}\right]}{\left(\frac{\partial f_{I}}{\partial \mathbf{\sigma}'}\right)^{t} \mathbf{D}_{e} \frac{\partial g_{I}}{\partial \mathbf{\sigma}'} + h}$$
(A - 10)

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## 596 Appendix B

Assume the soil is loaded and heated from Point A to Point B under two different loading paths I( $A \rightarrow C \rightarrow B$ ) and II( $A \rightarrow D \rightarrow B$ ) in Fig.5. The soil is at the initial stress

state  $(p'_0, r_0, p'_{c0}, T_1)$  which automatically satisfies the yield condition:

600 
$$f_{I0} = p'_0 - r_0 p'_{c0} \exp\left[-\alpha_0 r_0^{n_c} \left(T_1 - T_0\right)\right] = 0$$
 (B - 1)

601 Under loading path I, the soil element is isotropically loaded to stress point C 602  $(p'_0 + \Delta p'_1, r_1, p'_{c1}, T_1)$  at constant temperature  $T_1$ .

603 
$$f_{I1} = p_0' + \Delta p_1' - r_1 p_{c1}' \exp\left[-\alpha_0 r_1^{n_c} \left(T_1 - T_0\right)\right] = 0$$
(B - 2)

604 
$$p'_{c1} = p'_{c0} \exp\left[\frac{\upsilon}{\lambda - \kappa} \Delta \varepsilon_{v_1}^p\right]$$
 (B-3)

605 
$$r_1 = 1 + (r_0 - 1) \exp\left[-\frac{\upsilon}{\lambda - \kappa} s \Delta \varepsilon_{\nu_1}^p\right]$$
(B - 4)

Then the soil element is heated up to stress point *B*  $(p'_0 + \Delta p'_1, r_2, p'_{c2}, T_1 + \Delta T_1)$  at constant mean effective stress  $p'_0 + \Delta p'_1$ .

608 
$$f_{12} = p_0' + \Delta p_1' - r_2 p_{c2}' \exp\left[-\alpha_0 r_2^{n_c} \left(T_1 + \Delta T_1 - T_0\right)\right] = 0$$
(B-5)

609 
$$p'_{c2} = p'_{c1} \exp\left[\frac{\upsilon}{\lambda - \kappa} \Delta \varepsilon^{p}_{\nu 2}\right] = p'_{c0} \exp\left[\frac{\upsilon}{\lambda - \kappa} \left(\Delta \varepsilon^{p}_{\nu 1} + \Delta \varepsilon^{p}_{\nu 2}\right)\right]$$
 (B - 6)

610 
$$r_{2} = 1 + (r_{1} - 1) \exp\left[-\frac{\upsilon}{\lambda - \kappa} s\Delta\varepsilon_{\nu 2}^{p}\right] = 1 + (r_{0} - 1) \exp\left[-\frac{\upsilon}{\lambda - \kappa} s\left(\Delta\varepsilon_{\nu 1}^{p} + \Delta\varepsilon_{\nu 2}^{p}\right)\right]$$
(B - 7)

611 Under loading path II, the soil element is firstly heated up to stress point D

612  $(p'_0, r_3, p'_{c3}, T_1 + \Delta T_1)$  at constant mean effective stress  $p'_0$ .

613 
$$f_{I3} = p'_0 - r_3 p'_{c3} \exp\left[-\alpha_0 r_3^{n_c} \left(T_1 + \Delta T_1 - T_0\right)\right] = 0$$
(B-8)

614 
$$p'_{c3} = p'_{c0} \exp\left[\frac{\upsilon}{\lambda - \kappa} \Delta \varepsilon^{\rho}_{\nu 3}\right]$$
 (B - 9)

615 
$$r_3 = 1 + (r_0 - 1) \exp\left[-\frac{\upsilon}{\lambda - \kappa} s \Delta \varepsilon_{\nu_3}^p\right]$$
(B - 10)

616 Then, the soil element is isotropically loaded to stress point  $B(p'_0 + \Delta p'_1, r_4, p'_{c4}, T_1 + \Delta T_1)$ 

617 at constant temperature  $T_1 + \Delta T_1$ .

618 
$$f_{14} = p_0' + \Delta p_1' - r_4 p_{c4}' \exp\left[-\alpha_0 r_4^{n_c} \left(T_1 + \Delta T_1 - T_0\right)\right] = 0$$
(B - 11)

619 
$$p'_{c4} = p'_{c3} \exp\left[\frac{\upsilon}{\lambda - \kappa} \Delta \varepsilon^{p}_{v4}\right] = p'_{c0} \exp\left[\frac{\upsilon}{\lambda - \kappa} \left(\Delta \varepsilon^{p}_{v3} + \Delta \varepsilon^{p}_{v4}\right)\right]$$
 (B - 12)

620 
$$r_4 = 1 + (r_3 - 1) \exp\left[-\frac{\upsilon}{\lambda - \kappa} s \Delta \varepsilon_{\nu 4}^p\right] = 1 + (r_0 - 1) \exp\left[-\frac{\upsilon}{\lambda - \kappa} s \left(\Delta \varepsilon_{\nu 3}^p + \Delta \varepsilon_{\nu 4}^p\right)\right]$$
(B - 13)

621 Compare Eqs.B-5, B-6, B-7 and Eqs.B-11, B-12, B-13, it appears clearly that the two
622 different loading paths would reach the same final stress state, namely:

623 
$$p'_{c2} = p'_{c4}$$
 (B - 14)

624 
$$r_2 = r_4$$
 (B - 15)

$$625 \qquad \Delta \varepsilon_{v1}^{p} + \Delta \varepsilon_{v2}^{p} = \Delta \varepsilon_{v3}^{p} + \Delta \varepsilon_{v4}^{p} \tag{B-16}$$

No matter Path I or Path II is followed, the plastic volumetric strain will be equal, which
means that plastic volumetric strain in ACC2-T model is also loading path independent.

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Parameters	κ	λ	$\overline{p}'_{c0,0}(\text{kPa})$	r <sub>0,0</sub>	v	$\alpha_{\theta} (^{\circ}C^{-1})$	$\alpha_l(^{\circ}C^{-1})$	S	$T_0(^{\circ}C)$	n <sub>c</sub>	$M_{g0}$	Mf	$A_d$	k <sub>f</sub>	kg
Boom clay[8]	0.02	0.18	6000	0.33	-	5×10 <sup>-3</sup>	5×10 <sup>-5</sup>	8	21.5	-1	0.67	0.67	0.1	0.7	0.9
Geneva clay[25]	0.017	0.062	125	1	0.3	5.2×10 <sup>-3</sup>	1.5×10 <sup>-5</sup>	12	20	3.5	0.94	0.94	0.1	1.1	1.1
Bonny silt[27]	0.011	0.075	1200	*	0.3	1.6×10 <sup>-3</sup>	3.5×10 <sup>-5</sup>	10	18	4	1.3	1.3	0.2	1.1	1.1
Pontida clay[12]	0.016	0.103	2500	1	-	3.5×10 <sup>-3</sup>	5×10-5	10	23	1	-	-	-	-	-

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'-' means the parameters are irrelevant to the simulations in this study.

**'\*'** means different data are mentioned in this study.

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