

=>It is applied only to continuous media (continuum) in the macroscopic meaning. (Materials are discontinuous in molecular scale).

=> The principal assumption of Continuum mechanics requires that for a given corps under course of Prmation, two points initially neighboring would remain neighboring after deformations.

4.2 Boussinesq's Theory-con'

3 Unit weight of soil is zero ($\gamma = 0$), consider only load action over the soil surface

4 No stress born before load acting.

5 Poisson'sRetio(μ) is constant due to load transfer ; normally using μ =0.5

6 Linear Stress function distribution

Vertical stress is Symmetry

- The stresses => create strains => accumulate resulting excessive plastic strain (Cracking, rutting and roughness)
- pavement damages which reduce pavement riding quality and are the major causes of pavement functional failure.
- The knowledge of stresses and strains analysis is thus important for the design of pavement structures.

4.2 Boussinesq's Theory

- Ideal Masses => analysis soil reaction under load by using Mathematical Theory of Elasticity
- ➢ Assumption
 - 1 Soil is in elasticity material , Homogeneouse , Isotropic , Semi-infinite Medium
 - 2 Soil prosperities following by Hook's law













