



The Application of Statistical Technic for the Scour Depth Calculation of the Bridge Pier

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The traffic infrastructures have been actively constructed at the South Korea since the industrialization of 1960s, and the construction of river and sea crossing bridges also have been increased. The purpose of this study is to investigate the scour phenomenon at the bridge installed on the river or sea bed. The scour phenomenon in the bridge piers causes not only to the river-bed erosion but also to the collapse of bridges. Therefore, it is necessary to study to prevent damage of bridge by the scour phenomenon. For the scour depth has a bad influence on the stability of the bridge, this study used the empirical equation for the calculation of the scour depth at piers, was proposed as a basic study to prevent damage of bridge by the scour phenomenon. The proposed empirical equation was developed through multiple linear regression analysis using 'SPSS' based on the results of model experiments, conducted through previous studies. The R^2 value of the proposed empirical equation is over 0.9. As a result of applying the proposed equation to the model data, the error rate was less than 20% in 16 cases. Therefore, the empirical equation, which proposed in this study, can be applied to the calculation of the scour depth at piers. In further research, it will be possible to develop an accurate empirical equation for the calculation of the scour depth at piers and it will give good information to reduce the damage of bridges by the scour phenomenon.

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