

# *Exploration of Ideological and Political Teaching of Soil Mechanics and Basic Engineering Course*

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**Abstract:** This paper presents a framework for the optimal utilisation of information technology in the teaching of soil mechanics and basic engineering. This encompasses the development of online courses and a comprehensive resource base, the integration of multimedia technology, the introduction of virtual simulation technology, the utilisation of an online interactive platform, the establishment of a data analysis system, the exploration of mixed teaching methodologies and the incorporation of artificial intelligence-assisted teaching. These measures can enhance the quality and efficiency of teaching, foster students' comprehensive abilities, and facilitate the advancement of soil mechanics and basic engineering curricula.

## 1. Introduction

In the contemporary engineering landscape, soil mechanics and foundation engineering occupy a pivotal position, imparting to engineers both theoretical literacy and practical ability[1]. However, traditional teaching methods frequently prove inadequate in meeting the demands of modern education, and are unable to effectively integrate abstract theoretical knowledge with practical engineering practice. In light of the rapid advancement of science and technology, the integration of information technology into the field of education has emerged as a pivotal strategy for enhancing the efficacy of teaching methodologies and elevating the calibre of educational outcomes[2]. Consequently, the objective of this study is to investigate the potential of information technology in optimising the teaching of soil mechanics and basic engineering, with the aim of enhancing students' learning outcomes and engineering practice abilities.

In recent decades, the exponential growth of information technology has had a significant and far-reaching impact on all aspects of human life, including the field of education[3]. Information technology has introduced a plethora of novel teaching tools and methodologies, including online learning platforms, simulation software, and interactive technology. These resources facilitate enhanced comprehension and mastery of knowledge, thereby improving learning outcomes. Furthermore, information technology can facilitate the provision of more practical learning opportunities, enabling students to gain hands-on experience and integrate theoretical knowledge with practical engineering practice.

Nevertheless, the optimal utilisation of information technology to enhance the teaching of soil mechanics and basic engineering remains an unresolved issue[4]. Consequently, this study will examine the current status and existing issues surrounding the utilisation of information technology in the teaching of soil mechanics and basic engineering by synthesising and analysing existing literature. Furthermore, the empirical research will investigate the practical effects and influencing factors of information technology in the teaching of soil mechanics and basic engineering.

The objective of this research is to develop a novel and efficacious methodology for the instruction of soil mechanics and fundamental engineering. This will enhance the quality of teaching and the learning outcomes. Furthermore, it is our intention to provide a reference point for the teaching of other disciplines and to facilitate the wider and deeper application and development of information technology in the field of education.

## **2. Application of information technology in teaching of soil mechanics and basic engineering**

The application of information technology in the teaching of soil mechanics and basic engineering is reflected in the following aspects:

**Multimedia simulation technology:** The establishment of a three-dimensional model of the actual project is possible through the application of multimedia simulation technology. In the actual teaching process, the building structure can be observed and analysed from any angle, and the disassembly analysis can be carried out for various parts and key points. This process enables the prediction of the project's progress and subsequent construction, thereby facilitating a deeper understanding of the knowledge acquired by students.

**Computer-Aided Design and Drafting (CAD):** In the field of civil engineering design, CAD has become a standardised tool. CAD software enables designers to more accurately depict and modify designs, thereby improving the efficiency and quality of the design. In the context of soil mechanics and basic engineering, the utilisation of CAD technology can facilitate a deeper comprehension of the processes and principles underlying engineering design, while simultaneously enhancing the proficiency of students in the design domain.

**The application of numerical simulation technology:** In the field of soil mechanics and foundation engineering, numerical simulation technology, such as finite element analysis (FEA) and finite difference analysis (FDA), has been widely employed in engineering practice. These techniques facilitate the simulation of the response and behaviour of a structure, thereby enabling the prediction of its performance and safety. In the context of soil mechanics and basic engineering education, the utilisation of numerical simulation techniques can facilitate a more comprehensive comprehension of the response and behaviour of structures among students, while concurrently enhancing their analytical abilities.

Online learning platforms represent a significant advancement in the field of education, offering a convenient and flexible alternative to traditional classroom-based learning. Online learning platforms afford students a more flexible mode of learning. Students are afforded the opportunity to pursue their studies at any time and in any location, and may adapt their pace and approach to suit their individual requirements and learning needs. Furthermore, online learning platforms offer a wealth of multimedia resources and interactive tools that facilitate the comprehension and mastery of knowledge.

An intelligent teaching system can provide personalised learning plans and resources according to the learning situation and needs of students. These systems can also track and analyse students' learning progress and achievements, helping teachers to better understand students' learning status and provide timely feedback.

In conclusion, information technology has a wide application prospect in the teaching of soil

mechanics and foundation engineering. The application of these technologies enables teachers to enhance the quality and efficiency of their teaching, while simultaneously assisting students in a more comprehensive and effective understanding and assimilation of knowledge.

### **3. Some empirical studies on information technology optimization of soil mechanics and basic engineering teaching**

In recent years, the application of information technology in the field of soil mechanics and basic engineering teaching has gradually attracted the attention of researchers and educators alike. Some studies have indicated that the utilisation of information technology can markedly enhance the quality of teaching and learning. For instance, the utilisation of multimedia simulation technology enables the theoretical knowledge of soil mechanics and basic engineering to be presented in a more intuitive manner, thereby facilitating a deeper comprehension and mastery of the subject matter by students. Furthermore, the utilisation of computer-aided design and numerical simulation technology can also enhance students' practical abilities and innovation capabilities [5-6].

It is anticipated that the application of information technology in the field of soil mechanics and basic engineering teaching will become more extensive and in-depth in the future. As the Internet continues to evolve, online learning platforms and intelligent teaching systems will become increasingly important tools for educators, offering students greater flexibility and personalisation in their learning experiences. Furthermore, with the continued advancement of numerical simulation technology, the simulation of soil mechanics and basic engineering problems will become increasingly precise and comprehensive, thereby fostering the development of students' analytical and problem-solving abilities.

The application of information technology in the teaching of soil mechanics and foundation engineering plays a pivotal role. Firstly, the use of multimedia simulation technology and other tools enables the theoretical knowledge of soil mechanics and basic engineering to be displayed in a more intuitive manner, thus facilitating a deeper understanding and mastery of the subject matter. Secondly, the application of computer-aided design and numerical simulation technology can enhance students' practical abilities and innovation skills, thereby providing a robust foundation for their future professional development. Furthermore, the utilisation of online learning platforms and intelligent teaching systems can also enhance students' motivation to learn and promote their personalized development.

### **4. Analysis of factors influencing the teaching effect of information technology optimization**

The impact of information technology optimisation on teaching effectiveness can be evaluated from three perspectives: the student, the educator and the curriculum design[7-11].

#### **4.1. Student factors**

The computer skills and information technology knowledge of students can be said to have an impact on the teaching effect. Students who are proficient in the use of various information technology tools are better able to utilise these tools for learning and practice.

The learning attitude and interest of the students are also factors that affect the teaching effect of information technology optimisation. Furthermore, students' interest and attitude towards the course will also affect the teaching effect of information technology optimisation. It can be posited that students who are interested in soil mechanics and basic engineering courses and who engage actively in various teaching activities will experience an improvement in the teaching effect.

## 4.2. Teacher factors

The attitude and application of information technology by teachers will affect the teaching effect. It is incumbent upon educators to recognise the potential of information technology in the teaching of soil mechanics and basic engineering, and to actively explore and apply various new teaching methods and technologies.

**Ability to utilise information technology:** One of the key factors affecting the teaching effect is teachers' information technology ability. It is therefore essential that teachers are able to master a variety of information technology tools and be able to apply them flexibly to the teaching process, thus helping students to better understand and master knowledge.

## 4.3. Curriculum design factors

The content and objectives of the teaching programme must be considered. The design of course content and objectives will also influence the efficacy of information technology in optimising teaching. In order to facilitate the comprehension and mastery of knowledge by students, teachers must select the most appropriate content and technical means in accordance with the stated objectives and the specific circumstances of the students.

**The integration of information technology and the curriculum:** Furthermore, the integration of information technology and curriculum will also affect the teaching effect. The integration of information technology and curriculum will also affect the teaching effect. It is the responsibility of educators to select the most effective means of integrating information technology tools and curriculum content in a seamless manner, with the aim of facilitating students' comprehension and mastery of knowledge.

In conclusion, the factors that influence the efficacy of information technology in education include students' technical proficiency and learning disposition, teachers' pedagogical approach and information technology proficiency, and the content and objectives of curriculum design. In order to enhance the efficacy of information technology in the instruction of soil mechanics and foundation engineering, it is essential to consider these variables holistically and implement appropriate measures to enhance and refine them.

## 5. How to improve the effect of information technology to optimize soil mechanics and basic engineering teaching

The enhancement of the impact of information technology with a view to optimising the teaching of soil mechanics and basic engineering can be initiated from the following perspectives:

It is necessary to enhance students' and teachers' awareness and ability to utilise information technology. It is essential that students and teachers recognise the importance and advantages of information technology in soil mechanics and basic engineering teaching, and that they actively participate in the learning and application of information technology. It is recommended that schools provide relevant training and courses to assist students and teachers in developing their IT skills and knowledge.

It is also necessary to optimise the design of courses and the resources used for teaching. Teachers must select appropriate content and information technology tools according to the objectives of the course and the needs of the students, and then create a reasonable course design and teaching resources. For instance, multimedia courseware can be created to provide a more engaging learning experience, while simulations of real engineering scenarios and online interactive communication platforms can facilitate deeper understanding and mastery of knowledge.

The combination of a variety of information technology means allows for the creation of a more

comprehensive and effective system. The application of different information technology means is not without its advantages, and the scope of their application is not limited to a single field. Therefore, it is necessary to combine a variety of information technology means in order to achieve the greatest possible benefit. For instance, multimedia simulation technology, computer-aided design, numerical simulation technology, and other analogous techniques can be employed to facilitate students' comprehension and mastery of soil mechanics and fundamental engineering principles from diverse vantages and levels.

It is of the utmost importance to establish a good teacher-student interactive relationship. Although information technology can provide a plethora of teaching resources and tools, the role of teachers remains indispensable. It is imperative that educators cultivate a productive and dynamic relationship with their students, fostering a climate of mutual understanding and support. This entails a keen awareness of students' learning needs and challenges, coupled with prompt and constructive feedback and guidance. Additionally, educators can facilitate student engagement through interactive communication, which can enhance motivation and encourage active learning.

It is essential to foster students' capacity for innovation and practical ability. Information technology can assist students in developing a deeper comprehension of soil mechanics and fundamental engineering principles. However, it is of greater consequence to foster their capacity for innovation and practical proficiency. Teachers can encourage students to think and practise independently by assigning practical projects, organising discussion and case analysis, and cultivating their innovative and practical ability.

In conclusion, the efficacy of information technology in optimising the teaching of soil mechanics and basic engineering can be enhanced by addressing various aspects. These include raising awareness and abilities in information technology among students and educators, optimising course design and resources, integrating diverse information technology tools, fostering positive interactions between educators and students, and cultivating students' innovative and practical abilities. The implementation of these measures will result in an improvement in the quality of teaching and the effectiveness of learning, thereby providing a robust foundation for the training of outstanding civil engineering talents.

## 6. Conclusions

Information technology has the potential to enhance the teaching of soil mechanics and basic engineering, improving the quality of instruction, fostering students' interest in the subject matter, and cultivating their capacity for innovation. Nevertheless, numerous variables influence the efficacy of information technology optimisation in education. Therefore, a comprehensive approach is essential to enhance and refine the teaching process.

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