

## COMINGS AND GOINGS

Professor T. Katayama visited Mexico as the head of the JSCE team to investigate the damage of the 1986 September Mexican earthquakes. The team stayed in Mexico from January 7 to 13, 1986, and was engaged in the studies of seismological and geological aspects, damage to civil engineering and industrial structures, and their effects on lifeline systems and communities. The summarized report has been published in the June issue of the Journal of the Japan Society of Civil Engineers.

Prof. Shibata attended the IAEA specialist meeting for a seismic design of NPPs in Moscow in March 1986.

Prof. F. Tatsuoka chaired the session "Slope Protection and Retaining Walls" and presented a paper at the 3rd International Conference on Geotextiles, held at Vienna, Austria, in April, 1986.

Prof. Nii, Dalian Institute of Technology, visited to IIS in April, 1986.

Prof. Xie L., Vice-President of the Institute of Engineering Mechanics, Harbin, China, visited IIS in April, 1986 and exchanged some information of Earthquake Engineering problems with ERS member.

Prof. Takanashi attended the annual meeting of the Structural Stability Research Council at Washington D.C. on April 13 to 16.

Prof. C. Tamura attended the 54th Executive Meeting of ICOLD held in Jakarta, Indonesia, as a member of JANCOLD in June to July, 1986.

Prof. Shibata attended the Human error NSF workshop at Univ. of Michigan in June 1986.

Prof. Shibata attended the Euro-China earthquake engineering conference in Beijing in June 1986.

Prof. Shibata attended the IAEA meeting for drafting a Technical Document "Modeling for Seismic PSA" in Vienna in June 1986.

Professor Y. Hangai and Dr. T. Tanami attended the International Symposium on Practical Aspects in the Computation of Shell and Spatial Structures, held at Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium, July 14-16, 1986.

Prof. K. Takanashi attended the 1st Pacific Conference of Steel Structures held at Auckland, New Zealand, on August 4 to 7. He presented the papers on earthquake resistant design of steel structures.

Prof. Shi-Zhao Shen, the vice president of Harbin Architectural and Civil Engineering Institute, Harbin, the People's Republic of China, visited the Institute of Industrial Science in September, 1986. He discussed with Prof. K. Takanashi and his colleagues the new experimental facilities in Harbin which are planned by Prof. Shen as a principal investigator.

Prof. K. Takanashi attended the meeting of Working Commission and the Permanent Committee meeting International Association for Bridge and Structural Engineering(IABSE) as a committee members held at Tokyo on September 1 to 3. He also worked for the IABSE 1986 Symposium in Tokyo on September 4 to 6 as the Chairman of Japanese Programme Committee.

Professor T. Okada and Mr. M. Yamamoto attended the Second Joint Technical Coordinate Committee on Masonry Research held in Keystone, Colorado, U.S.A. on September 8-10, 1986.

Prof. Emeritus S. Okamoto, Prof. H. Shibata and Prof. C. Tamura attended the Symposium on Urban Disaster Mitigation held at Beijing, China, September 9 - 11, 1986.

The International Symposium on Membrane Structures and Space Frames organized by International Association for Shell and Spatial Structures (IASS) and Architectural Institute of Japan (AIJ) was held in Osaka, Japan from September 15 to 19, 1986. Professor Emeritus Y. Tsuboi was elected the fifth president of IASS at the Executive Council meeting held in September 16, 1986.

Professor T. Okada attended the International Seminar on Regional Development Planning for Disaster Prevention held at Nagoya, Shizuoka and Tokyo during the period of September 24 to 30, 1986.

Professor Panitan Lukkunaprasit, Associate Dean for Research Affairs, Faculty of Engineering, Chulalongkorn University, Thailand, visited Japan from October 1 to 22, 1986, as an exchange scientist invited by the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science. Professor Panitan stayed in the Institute of Industrial Science for 10 days with Professor Katayama as one of the host scientists, and surveyed the state-of-the-art of the Japanese earthquake engineering studies, especially in the fields of design earthquake motion and seismic response of RC buildings.

Profs. C. Tamura, Y. Hangai and Y. Toi visited to Dalian Institute of Technology, Dalian, China, and exchanged some engineering informations and further discussed in relation to an academic exchange between IIS and DIT.

Prof. Shibata attended the SMIRT Programming session in Brussels in October 1986.

He visited several organizations working for probabilistic risk study in Austria and Germany by the invitation Prof. Schueller, Univ. of Innsbruck under the sponsorship Tech. Univ. of Vienna in October 1986.

Prof. Shibata received Dr. G. C. Manos, Associate Professor, Aristotle University of Thessalonih, Greece as the Visiting Research Fellow of the Institute. Prof. Manos is Staying for nine months to study on the difference of anti-earthquake designs of liquid storages between Japan and other Countries.

Prof. Shibata attended the IAEA meeting for drafting a Technical Document "Modeling for Seismic PSA" in Vienna in November 1986.

Mr. Zhou, Shen-Gen, a researcher of China Academy of Railway Sciences, Beijing, People's Republic of China, joined Tatsuoka Laboratory from December, 1986, for about two years stay. His speciality is soil dynamics, especially soil liquefaction. At IIS, he will study the cone penetration testing method as a measure of estimating liquefaction strength of soil, using a large calibration chamber.

Prof. Lin Gao, Dalian Institute of Technology, came to Japan to participate to 7th Japan Earthquake Engineering Symposium held in Tokyo, Dec. 1986 and visited to IIS.

Prof. F. Tatsuoka was invited as a state-of-the-art speaker for the symposium on "Advanced Triaxial Testing of Soil and Rock", organized by ASTM, held at Louisville, KY, the United States. A SOA paper, "Some Recent Developments in Triaxial Testing Systems for Cohesionless Soils", was presented.

Mr. F. Kumazawa and Mr. Y. Nakano visited Iwate and Aomori prefecture from January 13 to 16, 1987, as a member of the team to investigate the building damage caused by the earthquake of January 9, 1987, and Professor T. Okada also visited Iwate prefecture from January 31 to February 1 to investigate the building damage.