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Abstract: Since its inception in 2004, the Particle Finite Element Method (PFEM) has attracted increasing attention. It has been demonstrated to be a robust and powerful numerical tool for handling various challenging engineering problems. However, several issues arise when applying it to large deformation geotechnical problems. This is largely due to the complex geomaterial behaviour. The history dependency necessitates variable mapping between meshes when adopting the classical PFEM. Linear elements used in the conventional PFEM do not perform well in capturing soil behaviour. Although the smoothed particle finite element method, a variant of the PFEM, allows the use of linear elements and alleviates the variable mapping requirement, it experiences stress oscillation in dynamic analysis. This talk explores the challenges associated with the conventional PFEM in modelling geotechnical problems, followed by the introduction of a new version of the Nodal Integration-based PFEM (N-PFEM) proposed to address these issues. Numerical benchmarks demonstrate the correctness and robustness of the N-PFEM for dynamic analysis of geotechnical problems.

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