

Michael M. Yetisir

Geomechanics Software Engineer

Expertise

Rock Mechanics, Numerical Modeling, Software

Education

MASc (Computational Geomechanics), 2016
University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada

BASc (Geological Engineering), 2014
University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada

Professional Experience

2020 – Present

Itasca Consulting Group, Inc., Minneapolis, Minnesota
Geomechanics Software Engineer

2017 – 2020

Golder Associates, Mine Stability, Portland, Oregon
Rock Mechanics Engineer

Project Experience

Software:

Developed a Python framework to decrease model build time, verify model integrity, and ensure reproducibility by integrating git version control and substantial automation into modeling workflows, decreasing model build time and errors by more than 50%.

Designed and implemented a Python application that automated routine hydrogeological monitoring and reporting of over 1000 piezometers on site at Bingham Canyon Mine.

Designed and implemented a Python library based on VTK and SQL to help develop, validate, and visualize 3D computational models for an in-house geomechanics solver including a prototyped job scheduler to manage model runs on an HPC cluster.

Consulting:

Provide detailed geotechnical engineering designs to mining clients and develop large-scale 3D computational models for open pit and underground mines to help predict deformation and stability of proposed designs.

Bingham Canyon Mine: Built and calibrated a pit-scale model of Bingham Canyon Mine's South Wall to back-analyze a complex slope instability mechanism and developed a predictive model to identify optimized life of mine parameters.