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- Subject: Urban Drainage Systems
- Topics Covered:
  - 1. Hydraulics of sheet flow (overland flow)
  - 2. Hydraulics of gutters and drainage inlets
  - 3. Design storm: estimating peak discharge
  - 4. Design of storm sewer systems



# *Topic 1 – Hydraulics of Sheet (Overland) Flow*

- Overland flow as sheet flow
- · Continuity equation for overland flow
- Determine "Time of Concentration" [equilibrium time]































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#### Conclusions

- Steady-state watershed response occurs at the Time of Concentration,  $T_{c\prime}$  which should be used as the design rainfall duration  $(T_d=T_c)$
- Kinematic wave model for time of concentration (Manning Eq.):

$$T_{\varepsilon} = \left[\frac{nL}{\phi S^{1/2} I_o^{2\beta}}\right]^{3/5} = \frac{n^{0.6} L^{0.6}}{\phi^{0.6} S^{0.3} I_o^{0.6}}$$

Overland Flow

# *Topic 2 – Hydraulics of Gutters and Drainage Inlets*

- Simple and composite gutters
- Curb inlets on grade
- Curb inlets in sag

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### Drainage Inlets

- · Types of inlets
- Performance of curb inlets
- Performance of depressed curb inlets
- · Curb inlets in sag

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Analysis of Curb Inlets (Izzard, 1950) The specific energy E is equal to the approach velocity head plus the curb depth Y: E = Y +  $V_L^2/2g$ . However, the approach velocity  $V_L$  does not contribute to flow entering the inlet. Only Y is significant in causing flow into the inlet. The edge of the inlet acts as a control point, and the flow at the inlet lip is critical (based on Y). Critical flow:  $y_c$  = (2/3) Y and  $V_c^2/2$  g = (1/3) Y Unit discharge q based on curb depth Y:  $q = y_c V_c = \left(\frac{2}{3}Y\right) \left(\sqrt{\frac{2gY}{3}}\right) = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{3/2} \sqrt{g} (Y)^{3/2}$ 

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Inlet Efficiency, E
The curb inlet efficiency, E, is the ratio of the curb discharge that is captured by an inlet of length L, to the total approach discharge:
$E = \frac{Q_{CI}(L)}{Q_A} = 1 - \left(1 - \frac{L}{L_T}\right)^{5/2}$
FHWA studies (HEC-12) suggest that this theoretical relationship should be modified as
$E = 1 - \left(1 - \frac{L}{L_T}\right)^{1.8}$
The bypass discharge, ${\rm Q}_{\rm B},$ is calculated from
$Q_{B} = Q_{A} - Q_{CI} = Q_{T} (1 - E)$

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Depressed Curb Inlet				
Top of curb	$\begin{split} S_{w} &= S_{x} + a/W \\ E_{o} &= fraction of total Q in the depressed gutter section \\ \\ \hline & \\ E_{e} &= \left\{ 1 + \frac{(S_{e}/S_{e})}{\left[1 + \frac{(S_{e}/S_{e})}{(2/P)^{-1}}\right]^{2d}} - 1 \right\}^{2d} \end{split}$			
Equivalent cross slope, $S_e = S$	$_x$ + (a/W) $E_o$			
Total Interception Length:	$L_{T} = 0.60 \left(\frac{1}{nS_{e}}\right)^{0.6} (S_{o})^{0.3} (Q_{A})^{0.42}$			
Continue with inlet capture ca	lculations using new ${\rm L}_{\rm T}$ value.			

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### Example #3

Repeat Example #2 for depressed inlet with 4-inch depressing (a = 0.33 ft) over depressing width 2 ft (W = 2 ft).

Approach: 1) find equivalent cross slope  $S_{\rm e};$  2) find  $L_T;$  3) find E; and 4) find  $Q_{CI}$  = E  $Q_A$ 

1)  $S_w$  =  $S_x$  + a/W = 0.195  $\rightarrow$   $E_o$  = 0.74  $\rightarrow$   $S_e$  = 0.03 + (0.33/2)  $^{\star}$  0.74 = 0.15

2) The inlet capture length is calculated using

$$L_T = 0.6 \left(\frac{1}{0.014 \times 0.15}\right)^{0.6} (0.02)^{0.3} (5)^{0.42} = 14.7 \, ft$$

3) The capture efficiency is calculated from

 $E = 1 - (1 - L/L_T)^{1.8} = 1 - (1 - 10/14.7)^{1.8} = 0.87$  4) The captured curb inlet discharge is  $Q_{CI} = 0.87$  x 5 =  $\underline{4.4~cfs}$ 

#### 1:36 **Curb Inlet in Sag** • water enters inlet from both sides • h = height of curb inlet opening • Y = depth at curb inlet opening • d<sub>0</sub> = depth to inlet centroid • If Y < h $\rightarrow$ inlet acts as a weir with critical flow at inlet: Q = (2/3)^{1.5} g^{0.5} Y^{1.5} L • If Y > 1.4 h $\rightarrow$ inlet acts as an orifice (C<sub>d</sub> $\sim 2/3$ ) Q = C<sub>d</sub> (h L) (2 g d<sub>0</sub>)^{0.5} • For h < Y < 1.4 h $\rightarrow$ interpolate

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#### Topic 3: Estimating Peak Discharge

- Design of many stormwater hydraulic structures depend
   on the discharge they are required to control
- Examples include:
  - Inlets
  - Drains
  - Culverts
- Peak discharge is estimated using the Rational Method, limited by a minimum Time of Concentration (generally 6 to 10 minutes)

#### Rational Method – Calculation

#### Rational Method: Q = C I A

- Q = Peak discharge (cfs)
- C = Runoff coefficient (dimensionless)
- I = Rainfall intensity (in/hr) from IDF curve
- A = Drainage area (acres)

#### Units: 1 acre-inch/hr = 1.008 cfs

Useful conversions: 1 acre = 43,560 ft<sup>2</sup> 1 sq. mile = 640 acres

#### Rational Method - Assumptions

The <u>Rational Method</u> is based on the following assumptions:

- a) The peak discharge at any location is directly proportional to the average rainfall intensity during the time of concentration (for that location)
- b) The time of concentration is the travel time from the most remote (in travel time, not necessarily distance) point in the contributing area to the location under consideration
- c) The contributing area can be the entire drainage area upstream of the location or some subset of this area, such as only the directly connected impervious portion of the drainage area

#### Runoff Coefficient, C

 Fraction of the rainfall intensity (I) that contributes to the peak discharge (depends on rainfall intensity and duration)

•	Typical	values	(ASCE):
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<ul> <li>Pavement</li> </ul>	0.70 - 0.95
<ul> <li>Urban business</li> </ul>	0.70 - 0.95
<ul> <li>Neighborhood</li> </ul>	0.50 - 0.70
<ul> <li>Residential</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Single family</li> </ul>	0.30 - 0.50
<ul> <li>Suburban</li> </ul>	0.25 - 0.40
<ul> <li>Industrial</li> </ul>	
Light	0.50 - 0.80
<ul> <li>Heavy</li> </ul>	0.60 - 0.90

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### Rainfall Intensity: IDF Curves

- Variability in rainfall intensity with duration can be described by a model called the *Intensity-Duration-Frequency* (IDF) curve.
- Frequency refers to the return period of the event. The rainfall intensity with a 10 minute duration for an event with a 10 year return period will be greater than the corresponding intensity of an event with a 2 year return period.

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	Return Period	2 year	5 year	10 year	25 year	50 year	100 year
	а	56	69	77	87	91	103
	b	8.1	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.1
	С	0.796	0.780	0.775	0.766	0.751	0.752
	$I = \frac{a}{(T_d + b)^c} \cdot I (in/hr)$ • $T_d (min)$						

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# Example #5

What is the rainfall intensity and depth for an event with 8 minute duration and 5 year return period?

From the IDF curve

$$I = \frac{69}{(8+8.6)^{0.780}} = 7.71 \text{ in/hr}$$

The corresponding depth is

P = 7.71 x (8/60) = 1.03 inches

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#### Example #6 T<sub>c</sub> Using Kinematic Wave

An inlet captures drainage from a 3 acre watershed (30% impervious). What is the peak discharge for a 5 year return period event?

Data. Pervious area: n = 0.4, L = 250 ft, S = 0.025, C = 0.25

Impervious (pavement): n = 0.014, L = 500 ft, S = 0.01, C = 0.95

Use of the kinematic wave equation to estimate the time of concentration requires the rainfall intensity, which in turn depends on the time of concentration. Approach is to choose a duration, calculate the rainfall intensity, then calculate the time of concentration, and finally compare with the assumed duration.

Assume T<sub>d</sub> = 8 minutes (which gives I = 7.71 in/hr = 0.00018 ft/s; see Example #3). With the data above, the kinematic wave model gives (impervious) t<sub>c</sub> = 315 sec = 5.3 min; and (pervious) t<sub>c</sub> = 1180 sec = 19.7 min. Repeat (see helpful hint on next page).

# Example #6 (Cont.)

To find the time of concentration, we are combining the kinematic wave equation with the IDF curve equation. Taking into account unit conversions, these may be combined as follows:

$T_{c} = \frac{1}{60} \left( \frac{nL}{\varphi \sqrt{S}} \right)^{0.6} \left( \frac{a/(12 \times 3600)}{(T_{d} + b)^{c}} \right)^{-1}$	).4
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(Both T<sub>c</sub> and T<sub>d</sub> in minutes)

Trial and error give (impervious)  $T_{\rm c}$  = 4.95 minutes and (pervious)  $T_{\rm c}$  = 24.5 minutes. These durations correspond to rainfall intensities (impervious) I = 9.04 in/hr and (pervious) I = 4.50 in/hr.

We next need to determine whether the runoff from only the impervious area gives a greater peak discharge than runoff from the entire area.

# Example #6 (Cont.)

Considering only the impervious area:  $Q\,=\,0.95~x~9.04~x~0.9\,=\,7.73~cfs$ 

Considering the total drainage area, the rational method gives  $Q = (0.95 \ x \ 0.9 + 0.25 \ x \ 2.1) \ x \ 4.50 = 6.21 \ cfs$ 

The discharge from only the impervious area is larger and would be used to design the inlet and storm sewer for a peak discharge of 7.73 cfs.

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- Kerby-Kirpick Method: Use Kerby equation for overland/concentrated flow and Kirpick equation for channel flow
  - Approximation for small to moderate size watersheds: use Kirpick equation to estimate  $T_c$  for channel flow and add 30 minutes to account for overland and shallow concentrated flow

Kerby (1959) Method (Overland Flow)			
Area < 10 acre; slope < 0.01			
$T_c$ (m	$\ln \left( = \left( \frac{2}{3} \frac{L N}{\sqrt{S}} \right)^{0.47} \right)$		
L = overland flow path length to defined channel (ft)			
S = average watershed slope (ft/ft)			
N = flow retardance factor:			
N = 0.02	smooth impervious surface		
N = 0.10	smooth, bare packed soil		
N = 0.20	poor grass; moderately rough bare surface		
N = 0.40	average grass		
N = 0.60	deciduous forest		
N = 0.80	dense grass; coniferous forest; deep ground liter		

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#### Topic 4 – Design of Storm Sewer Systems

- · Inlet spacing
- Design criteria
- Watershed delineation
- Design procedure

### Inlet Spacing

- Inlet spacing is determined by limitations on spread of stormwater gutter flow across the roadway surface.
- Some inlet bypass (carry-over) of gutter flow is OK, except at roadway intersections where cross flow should be avoided.
- Read Section 8.VII (Street and Intersection Design; pg 250-260) from ASCE (1992) for classification of streets and limitations on pavement encroachment and cross flow.

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Example #7 (Cont.) 2) (Cont.) The inlet efficiency is E = 1 – (1 – 10/21)^{1.8} = 0.69. With this inlet efficiency, the bypass discharge is  $Q_B$  = (1 – E)  $Q_A$  = 0.4 cfs. 3) For a 25-yr event with  $T_d = T_c$  (assumed  $T_c = 6$  minutes for now), the rainfall intensity is  $I = 87/(6 + 8.6)^{0.766} = 11.2$  in/hr = 0.000258 ft/s. The pavement drainage path length is approximately W' = 20 [1 + (0.01/0.02)<sup>2</sup>]^0.5 = 22.4 ft. The 'normal' lateral flow rate into the gutter section  $q_n = 0.95$  x 0.000258 x 20 = 0.0049 ft<sup>2</sup>/s. With this lateral flow rate, the inlet spacing is calculated form calculated from  $L = \frac{1.3 - 0.4}{0.0049} = 180 \, ft$ 

Example #7 (Cont.) 4) The pavement drainage slope is S = ( $S_x^2+S_o^2)^{0.5}$  = 0.0224. With I\_o = C I = 0.95 x 11.2 = 10.6 in/hr = 0.000248 ft/s, the time of concentration for lateral flow from the pavement is calculated from  $\Delta T_{c1} = \left(\frac{0.016 \times 22.4}{1.5 \times \sqrt{0.0224}}\right)^{0.6} \left(\frac{1}{0.000248}\right)^{0.4} = 37 \sec \theta$ For the flow through the gutter,  $\alpha_g=0.945~(1.5)~(0.02)^{0.33}~(0.01)^{0.5}/0.016=2.44$  and  $q_n=0.0050~ft^2/s.~$  The time of concentration for gutter flow is  $\Delta T_{c2} = \frac{4/3}{\alpha_g^{0.75} q_n} \left\{ Q_A^{0.75} - Q_B^{0.75} \right\} = \frac{4/3}{(2.44)^{0.75} \times 0.0050} \left\{ 1.3^{0.75} - 0.4^{0.75} \right\} = 97 \text{ sec}$ The total time of concentration is  $T_c = 37 + 97 = 134$  sec = 2.2 min 5) This T<sub>c</sub> value is less than T<sub>d</sub> = 6 minutes, so there is no need to repeat the calculations. Use L = 180 feet.

# Storm Sewer Design

- The basic approach for storm sewer design is similar to that used for design of inlet spacing for highway runoff.
- 1) A watershed area is delineated
- · 2) time of concentration estimated
- . 3) and the design rainfall is estimated using IDF curves and a duration equal to the time of concentration
- 4) Peak discharge is calculated using the rational method
- 5) Storm sewer pipe size is determined based on the peak discharge using Manning's equation, assuming that the sewer pipe flows full
- 6) Storm sewer network layout follows topography to the extent that is practical.

# General Criteria: Storm Sewer Design

- Storm sewer size is determined by application of Manning's equation for the design peak discharge that the sewer pipe will carry; this discharge includes both inlet flow plus upstream sewer discharge
  Slope must be sufficient to maintain a velocity greater than 2-3 ft to prevent significant sedimentation in sewer nine
- pipe
- Manholes should be utilized at sewer junctions and at locations with significant changes in direction
- Slopes should be uniform between manholes; size increases generally occur at manhole (pipe size should never decrease in the downstream direction)
- There should be at least 3 ft of cover over the crown of the pipe to support earth and external loads

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### Watershed Delineation

- Watershed delineation includes estimation of contributing area size, slope, and land use classification. Drainage areas are delineated using topographic data, that is generally available from a number of sources.
- USGS "topo" maps may be accessed from a number of sources. A useful online source is

#### http://www.topozone.com

 Modern practice uses "digital elevation model" (DEM) data and tools that help automate watershed delineation. An alternative is to manually delineate the watershed – this is the approach assumed herein.

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#### Storm Sewer Design Procedure

- Delineate the watershed contributing flow to each inlet. Calculate  $\Sigma(\mbox{CA})$  for each inlet.
- Moving from upstream to downstream through the storm sewer drainage network, for each inlet calculate T<sub>c</sub> including overland flow plus concentrated flow. Compare with T<sub>c</sub> from upstream drainage areas including overland flow, concentrated flow, and channel (conduit) flow travel time. Select the largest T<sub>c</sub> value for the inlet.
- Set  $T_d = T_c$  and calculate the rainfall intensity using the IDF curve. Calculate the design discharge from Q =  $\Sigma$ (CA) I.
- Estimate the required conduit size based on the design discharge, using the next larger "commonly available" size.
- Adjust and verify all calculations considering selected conduit size, design discharge, and calculated travel times through conduits. Check for desired hydraulic grade line elevations for final design.

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