



**Module 7 – (L27 – L30):**

**“Management of Water Quality”:**

**Water quality and pollution, types and Sources of pollution, water quality modeling, environmental guidelines for water quality**

# **WATERSHED MANAGEMENT**

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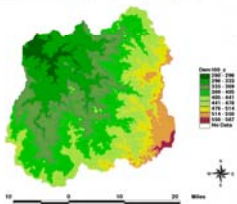
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Lecture No- **29** **Water Quality Modeling**

## L29– Water Quality Modeling

- **Topics Covered**
- Water quality, protection, quality goals, Hydrodynamics, Transport processes, Oxygen regime, Mathematical modeling, Governing equations, numerical modeling, Groundwater transport modeling.
- **Keywords:** Water quality modeling, Hydrodynamics, Mathematical/ numerical modeling, Groundwater transport.

Digital Elevation Model Anas river watershed (Jhabsud, India)



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## Introduction - Water Quality Modeling

- **Water quality models** simulate the fate of pollutants & state of selected water quality variables in water bodies
- **Incorporates** variety of physical, chemical, & biological processes which control the transport and transformation of these variables
- Temperature, solar radiation, wind speed, pH, and light attenuation coefficients – important parameters
- **Watershed pollutant loading**
- Each **water quality model** has its own set of characteristics and requirements- ( some models can be applied to several types of water bodies and some models only for particular water bodies)





## Types of Water Quality Modeling

- Water quality is modeled by one or more of the following formulations:
  - Advective transport formulations;
  - Dispersive transport formulation;
  - Heat budget formulation;
  - Dissolved oxygen saturation; Reaeration
  - Carbonaceous deoxygenation, Sediment, BOD, pH, Alkalinity, Nutrients, Algae, Microorganism etc

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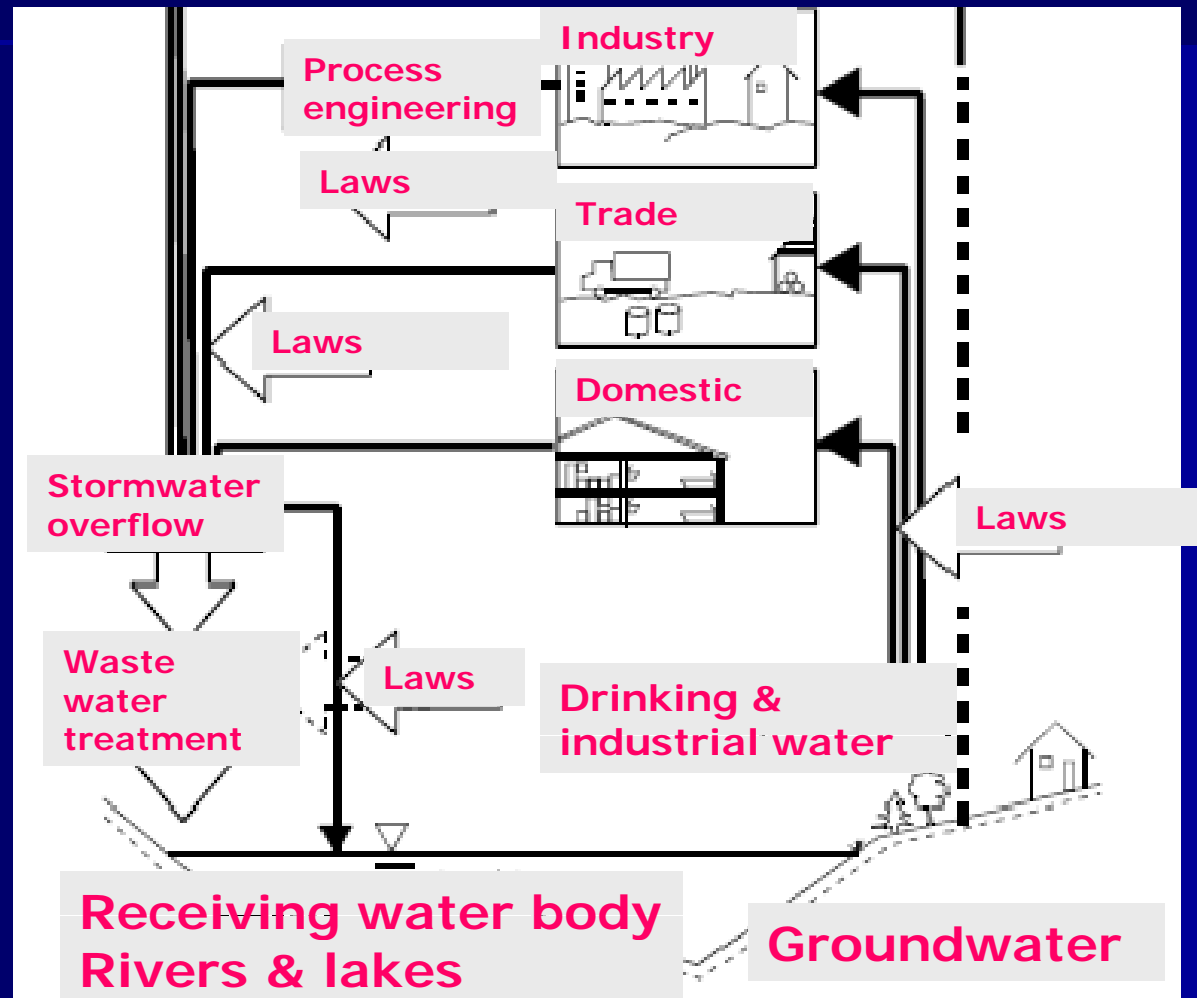
## Water Quality – Hydrological Cycle

- **Emissions:** (Ex = out of) from the user's point of view (community, factory, etc. )
- Avoidance and reduction of pollution into the environment - sanitary engineering
- **Immissions:** (In = into) - from the water body's point of view: consequences of pollution, injections, etc.
- **Environmental fluid mechanics:** flow and transport in surface waters (rivers and lakes); flow and transport in soil and groundwater; flow & transport in the atmosphere



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## Water Quality Modeling – Water Cycle

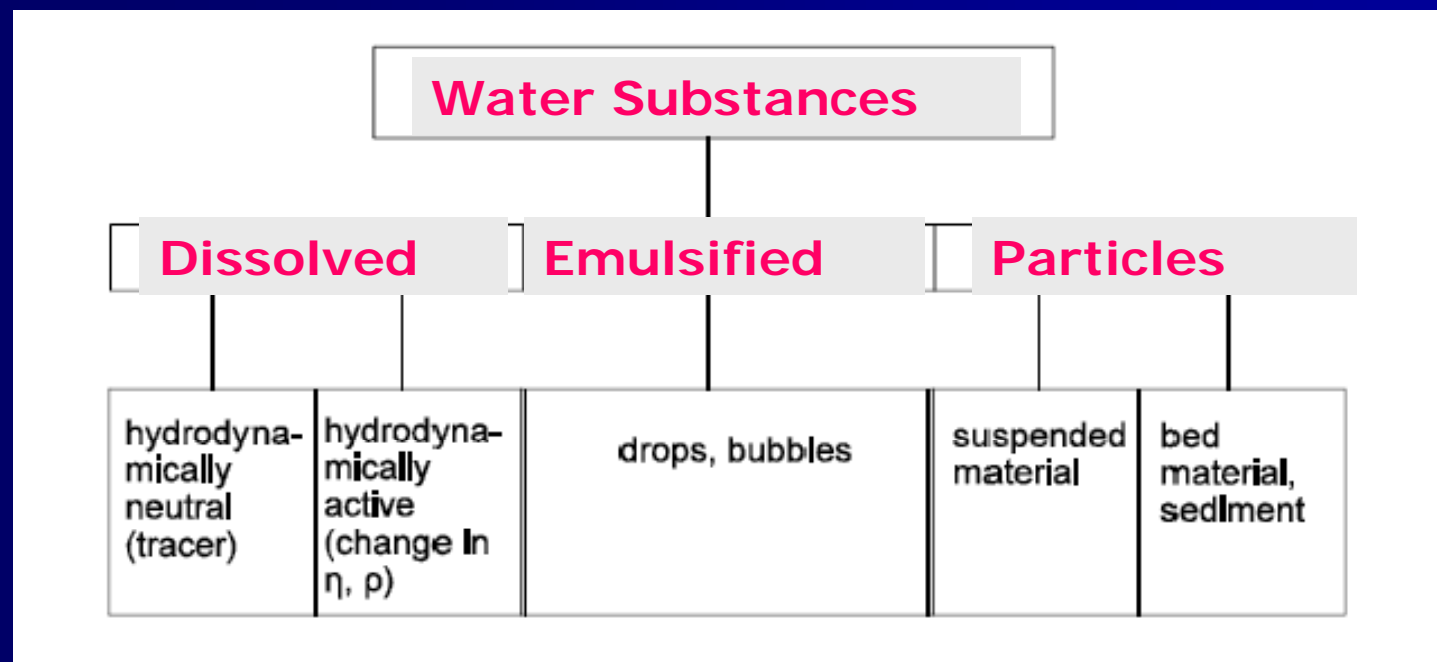


## Water Quality Protection– Goals

- **Water quality protection** - ensure the quality of water which guarantees the preservation of environmental goods.
- **Environmental Goods:**
  - functions of the river as water resource; community of aquatic living; fishing; irrigation of farm land
  - leisure and recreation; focus on contamination
  - substances from inland & suspended solids & sediments; drinking water supply
- **Quality goals:** given as a concentration of a substance - show condition of river with regard to the environmental goods - function as an instrument for decisions, protection & improvement of water quality; derived from effective values & law

## Water Quality Modeling - Considerations

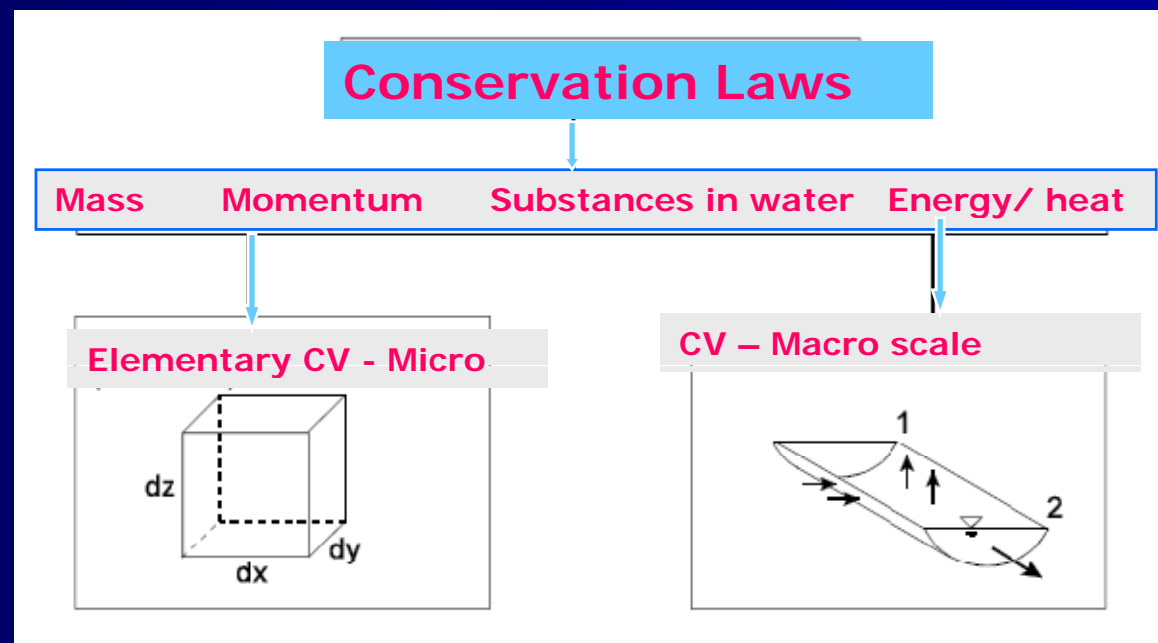
### ■ Water Substances -





## Water Quality Modeling - Considerations

- Governing laws -



## Water Quality – Mathematical Modeling

- The prediction of water pollution using mathematical simulation techniques.
- A typical water quality model consists of a collection of formulations representing physical mechanisms that determine position and momentum of pollutants in a water body.
- Models are available for individual components of the hydrological system such as surface runoff
- Models addressing hydrologic transport and for ocean and estuarine applications.

## Water Quality Modeling - Hydrodynamics

### ■ Conservation of Mass:

**Mass balance in a CV** fixed in space with the density  $\rho = \rho(x,y,z,t)$   
and the velocity  $v = v(x,y,z,t)$ :

$$\frac{\partial(\rho v_x)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\rho v_y)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial(\rho v_z)}{\partial z} = -\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t}$$

### ■ Incompressible fluids

(i.e.  $\rho = \text{const.} \Rightarrow \partial \rho / \partial t = 0$ )

$$\frac{\partial v_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial z} = \text{div } \vec{v} = 0$$

## Water Quality Modeling - Hydrodynamics

- Conservation of Momentum – Navier-Stokes equations

$$\frac{\partial v_x}{\partial t} + v_x \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial x} + v_y \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial y} + v_z \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial z} = -g \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} + \nu \left[ \frac{\partial^2 v_x}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v_x}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v_x}{\partial z^2} \right]$$

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## Water QM- Hydrodynamics & Transport

- **Diffusive processes:** Molecular diffusion; Turbulent diffusion & dispersion
- Molecular diffusion is a transport process that originates from molecular activity (Brownian movement). The driving force for molecular diffusion is a concentration gradient.
- The molecular diffusion is described by the molecular diffusion coefficient  $D_m$ .

### Fick's First Law:

specific mass flux:  $q = -D_m \frac{\partial c}{\partial x}$

### Mass transport equation

$$\left( v_x \frac{\partial c}{\partial x} + v_y \frac{\partial c}{\partial y} + v_z \frac{\partial c}{\partial z} \right) - D_m \left( \frac{\partial^2 c}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 c}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 c}{\partial z^2} \right) = -\frac{\partial c}{\partial t}$$

## Water QM – Hydrodynamics & Transport

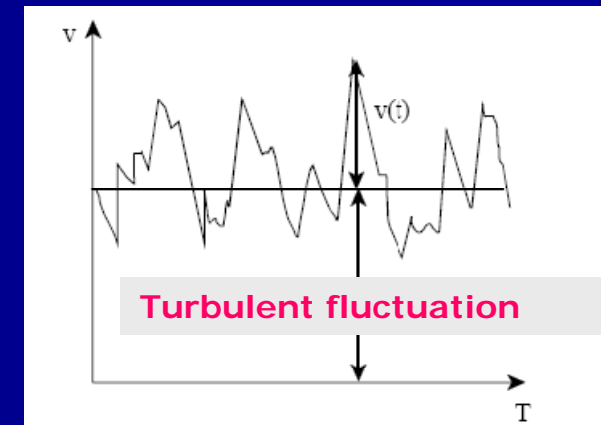
### Heat transfer equation

$$\left( v_x \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + v_y \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} + v_z \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} \right) - D_T \left( \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2} \right) = - \frac{\partial T}{\partial t}$$

- **Turbulent flow:** **Nature of turbulence:** irregular (characterized by variations with respect to time); intensive mixing; rotation; dissipative (increased losses of energy)

$$\text{velocity} \quad v = \bar{v} + v'$$

$$\text{pressure} \quad p = \bar{p} + p'$$



## Water QM- Hydrodynamics & Transport

- Turbulent flow: Continuity & momentum (x-dir.)

$$\left( \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial z} \right) \equiv 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \bar{v}_x}{\partial t} + \bar{v}_x \frac{\partial \bar{v}_x}{\partial x} + \bar{v}_y \frac{\partial \bar{v}_x}{\partial y} + \bar{v}_z \frac{\partial \bar{v}_x}{\partial z} = -g \frac{\partial \bar{h}}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \eta \frac{\partial \bar{v}_x}{\partial x} - \rho \overline{v_x'^2} \right) + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \eta \frac{\partial \bar{v}_x}{\partial y} - \rho \overline{v_x' v_y'} \right) + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \eta \frac{\partial \bar{v}_x}{\partial z} - \rho \overline{v_x' v_z'} \right)$$

unknown

Reynolds number:

$$Re = \frac{v_{ch} L_{ch}}{\eta/\rho} = \frac{\text{inertial reaction}}{\text{viscosity force}}$$

		lower $Re_{critical}$
<b>Pipe flow</b> d: diameter of the pipe	$Re = \frac{vd}{\eta/\rho}$	~ 2000
<b>Open Channel flow</b> y: water depth	$Re = \frac{vy}{\eta/\rho}$	~ 500

The kinematic viscosity is defined as:

$$\nu = \frac{\text{dynamic viscosity } \eta}{\text{density } \rho}$$

## Water Quality Modeling

Molecular diffusion:

$$q = -D_m \frac{\partial c}{\partial x}$$

Turbulent diffusion:

$$q = -\epsilon_D \frac{\partial c}{\partial x}$$

Dispersion:

$$q = -K \frac{\partial \bar{c}}{\partial x}$$

Momentum flux:

$$\tau = -\rho \nu \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial y}$$

Turbulent momentum exchange :

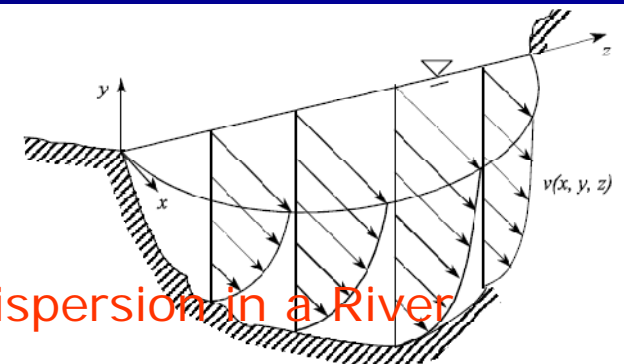
$$\tau = -\rho \nu_t \frac{\partial \bar{v}_x}{\partial y}$$

Heat flux:

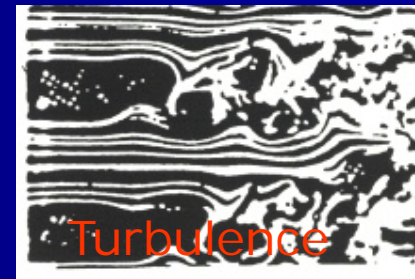
$$q_T = -\rho c_p D_T \frac{\partial T}{\partial x}$$



Diffusion



Dispersion in a River

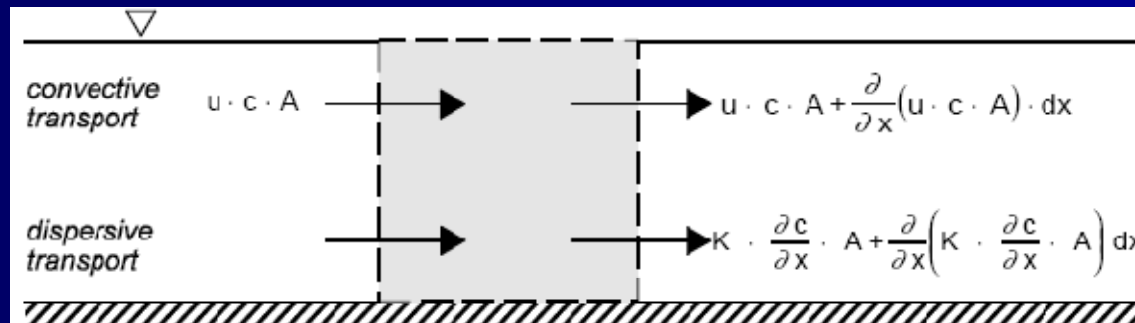


Turbulence



## WQM- Transport in Rivers & Canals

### ■ One dimensional transport:



size of section	microscopic	macroscopic
distribution process	diffusion	dispersion
velocity distribution	$v = v(x, y, z)$	$v = \bar{v}(z)$
concentration distribution	$c = c(x, y, z)$	$c = \bar{c}(z)$
mass balances	$\frac{\partial c}{\partial t} + v(x, y, z) \frac{\partial c}{\partial x} =$ $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[ D \frac{\partial c}{\partial x} \right] + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[ D \frac{\partial c}{\partial y} \right] + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left[ D \frac{\partial c}{\partial z} \right]$ <p>D: diffusion coefficient</p>	$\frac{\partial \bar{c}}{\partial t} + \bar{v}(z) \frac{\partial \bar{c}}{\partial x} = K \frac{\partial^2 \bar{c}}{\partial x^2}$ <p>K: dispersion coefficient</p>

## WQM- Transport in Rivers & Canals

- **One dimensional transport equation**

$$\frac{\partial \bar{c}}{\partial t} + v_x \frac{\partial \bar{c}}{\partial x} = K \frac{\partial^2 \bar{c}}{\partial x^2} + I$$

$v_x$  mean velocity in x-direction  
 $\bar{c}$  concentration averaged over the cross section  
 $I$  sink or source term, describes the reaction of the substance with its environment

- **Two dimensional transport equation**

$$\frac{\partial \bar{c}}{\partial t} + \left( v_x \frac{\partial \bar{c}}{\partial x} + v_y \frac{\partial \bar{c}}{\partial y} \right) = \left( K_x \frac{\partial^2 \bar{c}}{\partial x^2} + K_y \frac{\partial^2 \bar{c}}{\partial y^2} \right) + I$$

- **Three dimensional transport equation**

$$\frac{\partial \bar{c}}{\partial t} + \left( v_x \frac{\partial \bar{c}}{\partial x} + v_y \frac{\partial \bar{c}}{\partial y} + v_z \frac{\partial \bar{c}}{\partial z} \right) = \left( K_x \frac{\partial^2 \bar{c}}{\partial x^2} + K_y \frac{\partial^2 \bar{c}}{\partial y^2} + K_z \frac{\partial^2 \bar{c}}{\partial z^2} \right) + I$$

## WQM- Oxygen regime of Rivers

### Streeter- Phelps Equation for oxygen regime

The combination of oxygen deficit and reaeration is combined in the Streeter-Phelps-equation:

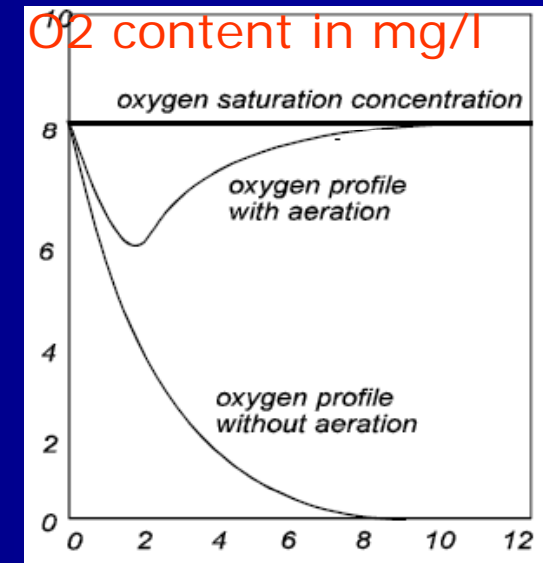
- Assumptions:**
- oxygen transfer only over water-air interface
  - upstream effects are not taken into account

Governing differential equation: 
$$\frac{\partial(c_s - \bar{c})}{\partial t} = K_d L - K_a(c_s - \bar{c})$$

Boundary condition:

$$\bar{c}(t = 0) = \bar{c}_0$$

$$L(t = 0) = L_0 = \frac{BOD_5}{1 - e^{-(5d)K_a}}$$



Time in days

$$\bar{c}_s - \bar{c}(t) = \frac{K_d L_0}{K_a - K_d} [e^{-K_d t} - e^{-K_a t}] + (\bar{c}_s - \bar{c}_0) e^{-K_a t}$$

L	biological oxygen demand [mg/l]
L <sub>0</sub>	biological oxygen demand at the time t = 0 [mg/l]
BOD <sub>5</sub>	biochemical oxygen demand after 5 days [mg/l]
K <sub>a</sub>	coefficient of reaeration [1/d]
K <sub>L</sub> = r/y	(y = depth of the water)
K <sub>d</sub>	decay coefficient [1/d]
c <sub>s</sub>	oxygen saturation concentration, const. (= r, for first order decay)

## Groundwater Transport Modeling

2D non-homogeneous  
confined aquifer-Flow  
Equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( T_x \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( T_y \frac{\partial h}{\partial y} \right) = S \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + Q_w \delta(x - x_i)(y - y_i) - q_s$$

2D non-homogeneous  
unconfined aquifer-  
Flow Equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( K_x \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( K_y \frac{\partial h}{\partial y} \right) = S_y \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + Q_w \delta(x - x_i)(y - y_i) - q_s$$

2D Transport equation

$$v_x = -K_x \frac{\partial h}{\partial x}$$

$$v_y = -K_y \frac{\partial h}{\partial y}$$

$$R \frac{\partial c}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( D_{xx} \frac{\partial c}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( D_{yy} \frac{\partial c}{\partial y} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (V_x c) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (V_y c) - \frac{c'W}{nb} - R\lambda c$$



## Water Quality – Numerical Modeling

- Numerical procedures- approx. sol. to most of field problems.
- Transform a complex practical problem into a simple discrete form of mathematical description
- Recreate & solve the problem on a computer, & finally reveal phenomena virtually according to requirements of analysts.
- Numerical or approximate solution for a complex problem efficiently, as long as proper numerical method is used.
- Numerical methods are used to analyze these phenomena like
  - Finite Difference Method (FDM)
  - Finite Element Method (FEM)
  - Finite Volume Method (FVM)
  - Method of Characteristics (MoC)
  - Boundary Element Method (BEM)
  - Meshfree Method (MFree)

## Surface Water Quality Models

- **WASP** Water Quality Analysis Simulation Program, US EPA: Interpret & predict water quality responses to natural phenomena and manmade pollution for various pollution management decisions
- **QUAL2K** - river and stream water quality model
- **Aquatox**- simulation model for aquatic systems; predicts the fate of various pollutants, such as nutrients & organic chemicals, & effects on ecosystem
- **EPD-RIV1**- Riverine Hydrodynamic and Water Quality Model, a system of programs to perform 1D dynamic hydraulic & water quality simulations
- **SWMM** – Storm Water Management Model

## Groundwater Quality Models

- ❑ MODFLOW (1988) - USGS flow model for 3-D aquifers
- ❑ MODPATH - flow line model for depicting streamlines
- ❑ MOC (1988) - USGS 2-D advection/dispersion code
- ❑ MT3D (1990, 1998) - 3-D transport code works with MODFLOW
- ❑ RT3D (1998) - 3-D transport chlorinated – MODFLOW
- ❑ BIOPLUME II, III (1987, 1998) - authored at Rice Univ 2-D based on the MOC procedures.
- ❑ FEMWATER
- ❑ GMS package

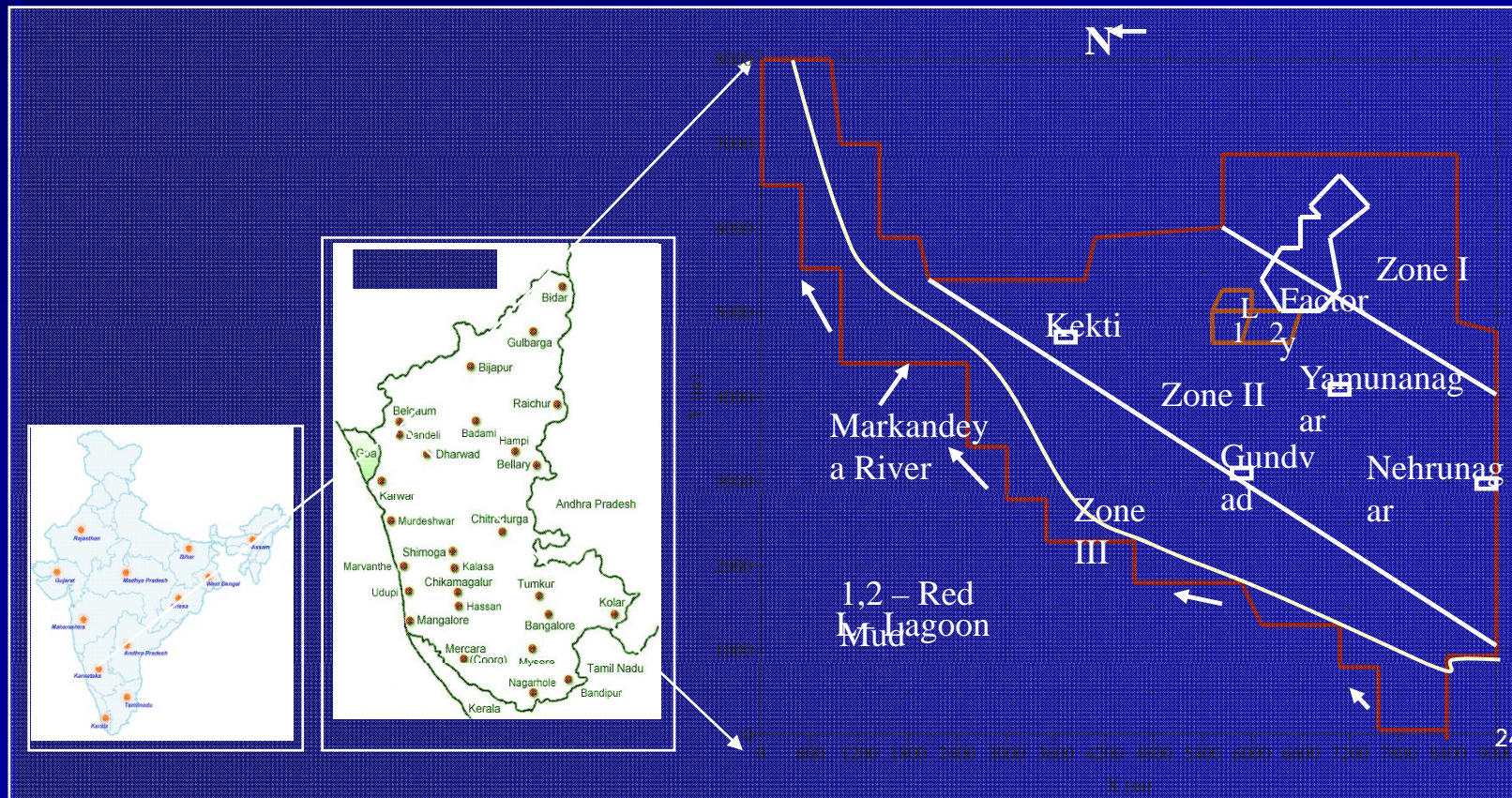


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## Groundwater Transport Modeling – Case Study

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Submitted to *Journal of Hydrologic Engineering, ASCE*

### ■ HINDACO-Belgaum, India)



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## Case study..

- Watershed area- 72 sq. km, basaltic terrain on northern side of Belgaum.
- Watershed is drained by Markandeya river in the north
- Red mud- hydrous silt muddy, highly alkaline solid waste produced by physical and chemical treatments of bauxite in alumina production.
- Red mud is harmful to the ecological environment, safety of its storage has become an environmental problem of concern.
- Natural recharge of 65 mm/yr is given as input to the flow model.
- The seepage from red mud ponds is simulated as additional recharge (130 mm/yr) from the ponds.

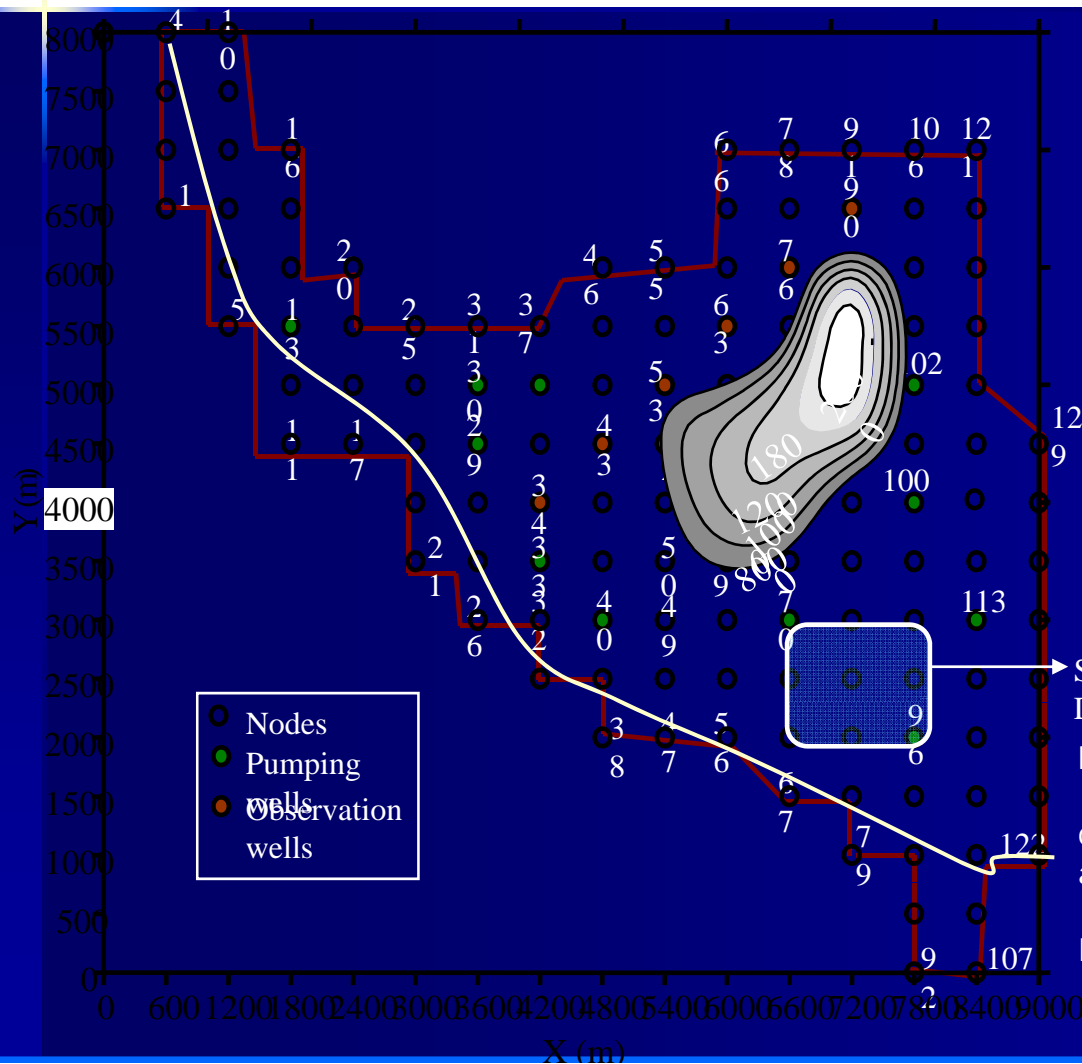
Parameter	Value
Hydraulic Conductivity (m/day)	
Zone I	0.5
Zone II	1
Zone III	2
Longitudinal dispersivity (m)	50
Transverse dispersivity (m)	5
Specific Yield	0.2



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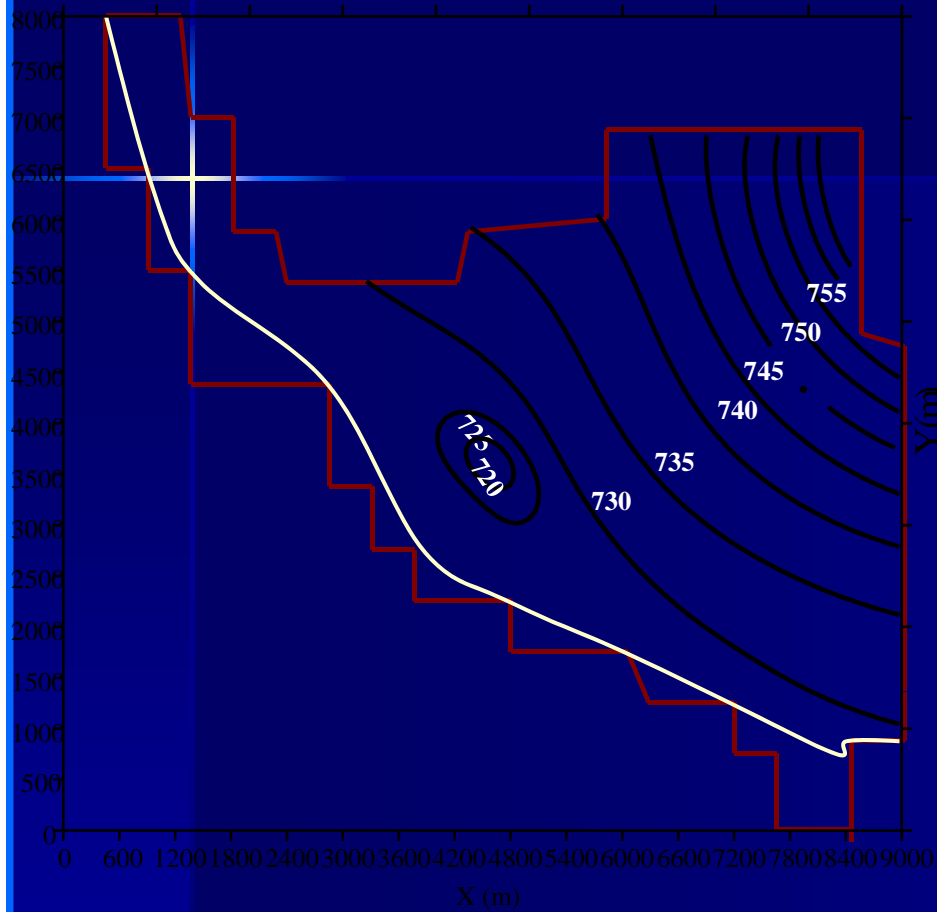
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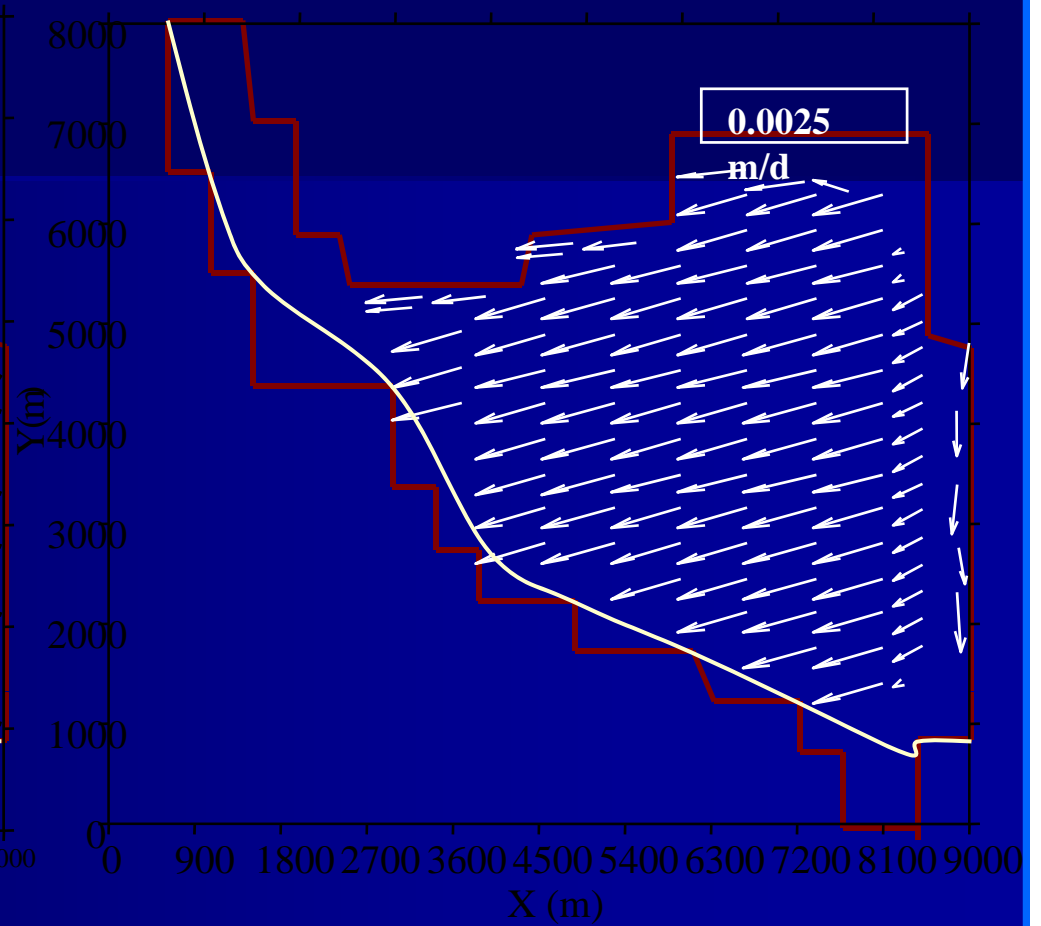


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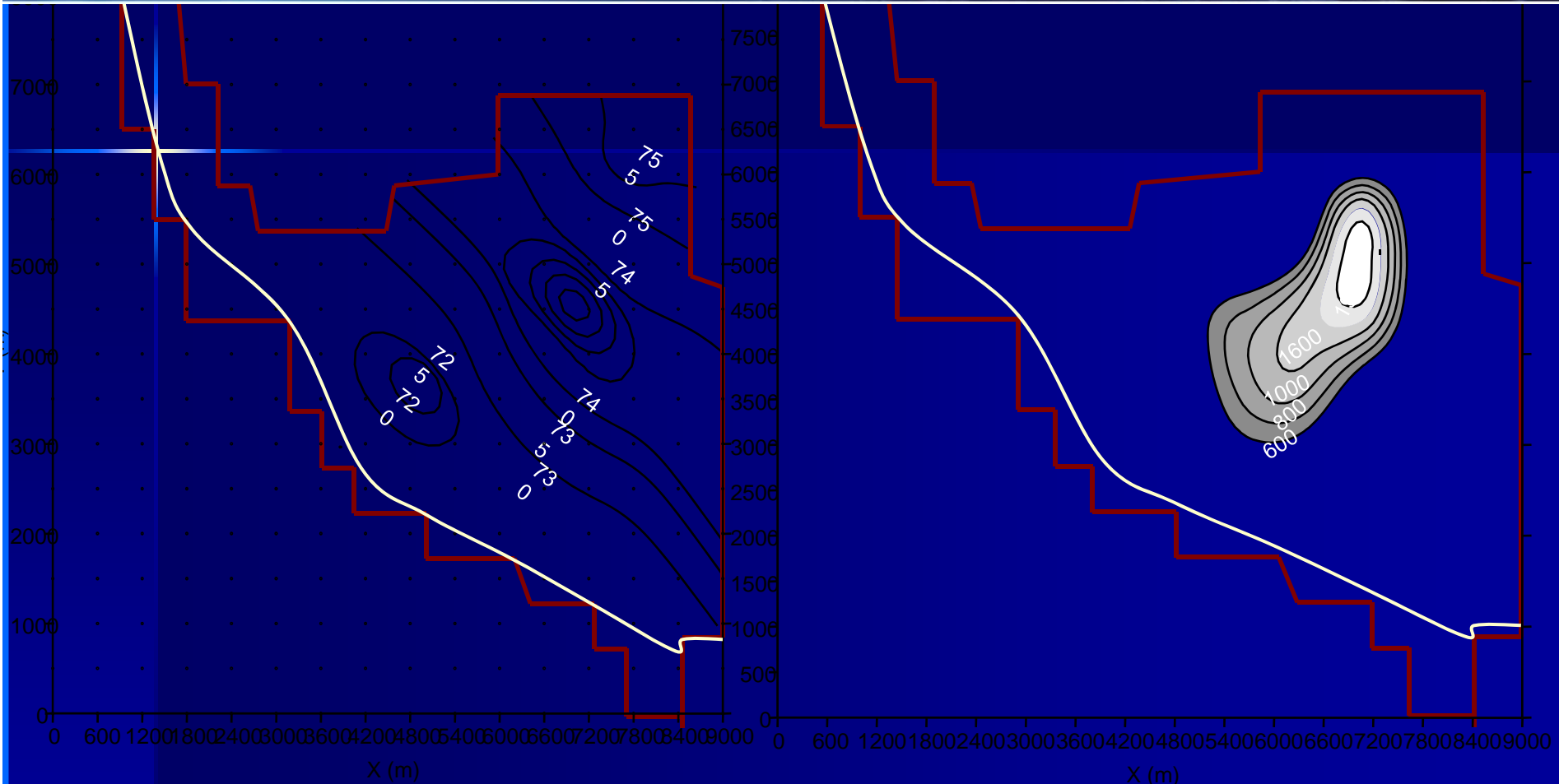


Steady state head distribution



Velocity distribution

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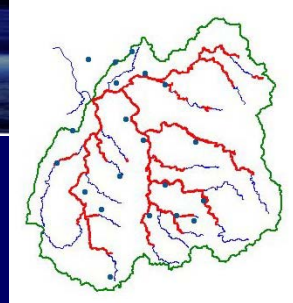


Head distribution after 20 yrs.

Concentration distribution after 20 yrs.

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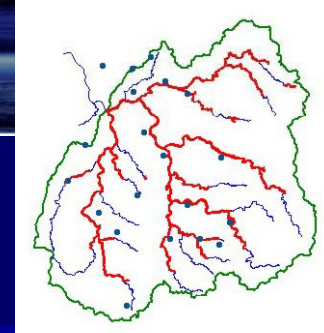
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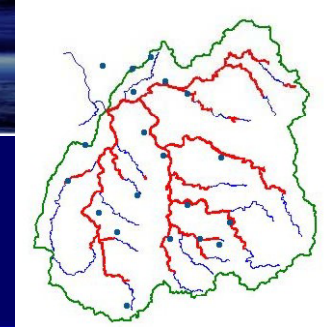
- Critically study various groundwater water and surface water quality models available in literature (details can be obtained from Internet: (eg. [www.epa.gov](http://www.epa.gov); [www.bentley.com](http://www.bentley.com) )
- Study the capabilities of each model and the problems where it can be applied





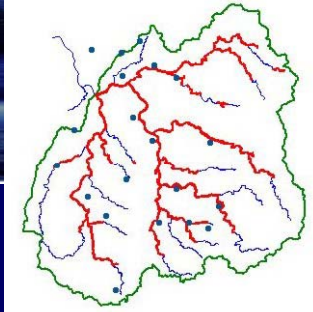
## Self Evaluation - Questions!.

- Illustrate the different types of water quality modeling.
- Describe WQ modeling within the perspective of water cycle.
- Explain various conservation laws used in WQ modeling?.
- Describe with governing equations, the groundwater transport modeling.
- Illustrate the role of numerical modeling in WQ modeling.
- Describe various models used in groundwater quality modeling



## Assignment- Questions?.

- Illustrate watershed based WQ issues within the perspective of Hydrologic cycle.
- What are the typical WQ problem goals?.
- Describe with governing equations, the surface water transport modeling.
- Illustrate the oxygen regime modeling in Rivers.
- Describe various models used in surface water quality modeling



## Unsolved Problem!.

- With reference to a typical point source pollution from an industry to groundwater in your watershed area, critically study the possible water quality modeling for TDS concentration.
- Identify the possible water quality model from the open sources (from Internet sources: like MODFLOW/ MT3D).
- Collect the necessary data for the water quality modeling.
- Try to develop the model for your study area and predict the future spreading, say for next 10 years.

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