

# LECTURE 2: INTRODUCTION TO MARINE ENVIRONMENT MODELING

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#### PURPOSES OF MODELLING THE MARINE ENVIRONMENTAL

#### Distribution Load Discharge

- Control the marine environment to achieve a specified environmental quality
- Fishery management and offshores works
- Determining Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL)
- TMDL Total Maximum Daily Load: the calculation of the maximum amount of a pollutant allowed to enter a waterbody so that the waterbody will meet and continue to meet water quality standards for that particular pollutant. A TMDL determines a pollutant reduction target and allocates load reductions necessary to the source(s) of the pollutant.





#### PURPOSES OF MODELLING THE MARINE ENVIRONMENTAL

#### \* Modelling

- Understanding the processes of the transmission of substances to the marine and ocean environment
- Understanding of ecosystem

Understanding of natural system and their reactions to changing conditions.





# FUNDAMENTAL QUANTITIES

# Mass and concentration

- Mass(m): The amount of pollutant in a system
- Concentration(C): conventinally express in metric units.

$$C = \frac{m}{V}$$

C: Concentration [ML-3] m: mass [M]

V: Volume [L<sup>3</sup>]

Some water – quality variables along with typical units

Varibales	Units
Total Disolved solids, salinity	$gL^{-1} \Leftrightarrow kg m^{-3} \Leftrightarrow ppt$
DO, BOD, NO <sub>2</sub>	mgL⁻¹ ⇔ g m⁻³ ⇔ ppm
PO <sup>4</sup> , Chlorophyll a, Toxics	$\mu$ gL <sup>-1</sup> $\Leftrightarrow$ mg m <sup>-3</sup> $\Leftrightarrow$ ppb
Toxics	ngL⁻¹ ⇔ µg m⁻³ ⇔ pptr







## **FUNDAMENTAL QUANTITIES (cont.)**

#### Example 1:

A pond having constant volume and no outlet has a surface area A , of 104  $m^2$  and a mean depth H of 2 m . It initially has a concentration of 0.8 ppm . Two days later a measurement indicates that the concentration has risen to 1.5 ppm

(a) What was the mass loading rate during this time?

(b) If you hypothesize that the only possible source of this pollutant was from the atmosphere, estimate the flux that occurred.







### **MATHEMATICAL MODELS**

Mathematical modes can be represented generally:

C = f (W, physics, chemistry, biology)

→ The cause – effect relationship between loading and concentration depends on the physicals, chemical and biological characteristics of the receiving water.

$$C = \frac{1}{a}W$$

where a = an assimilation factor ( $L^{3}T - 1$ ) that represents the physics , chemistry , and biology of the receiving water . This Equation is called "linear "because c and W are directly proportional to each other . Consequently if W is doubled , c is doubled . Similarly if W is halved , c is halve



#### \* Model Implementation

(a) Simulation mode: the model is used to simulate system response (concentration ) as a function of a stimulus (loading) and system characteristics (the assimilation factor)

$$C = \frac{1}{a}W$$

(b) **Design mode I** (Assimilative capacity)

The model can be rearranged to yield : **W = ac** 

**MATHEMATICAL MODELS** 

This implementation is referred to as a "design "mode because it provides information that can be directly used for engineering design of the system. It is formally referred to as an " assimilative capacity " computation because it provides an estimate of the loading required to meet a desirable concentration level or standard . Thus it forms the basis for wastewater treatment plant design . It should also clarify why a is called an " assimilation factor

(c) Design Mode II (environmental modification)

A second design implementation is  $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{W}/\mathbf{C}$ . In this case the environment itself becomes the focus of the remedial effort. This equation is formulated to determine how, for a given loading rate, the environment might be modified to achieve the prescribed standard. This type of application is needed when affordable treatment (that is, reduction in W) is not adequate to meet water - quality standards.



# MATHEMATICAL MODELS

#### **Example 2: (ASSIMILATION FACTOR)**

Lake Ontario in the early 1970s had a total phosphorus loading of approximately 10,500 mta (metric tonnes per annum, where a metric tonne equals 1000 kg) and an in - lake concentration of 21  $\mu$ g/L. In 1973 the state of New York and the province of Ontario ordered a reduction of detergent phosphate content. This action reduced loadings to 8000 mta.

(a) Compute the assimilation factor for Lake Ontario?

(b) What in - lake concentration would result from the detergent phosphate reduction action ?

( c ) If the water - quality objective is to bring in - lake levels down to 10 μg L<sup>-1</sup>, how much additional load reduction is needed ?



# MATHEMATICAL MODELS

#### **Example 2: (ASSIMILATION FACTOR)**

#### Solution:

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(a) The assimilation factor can be calculated as

$$a = \frac{W}{c} = \frac{10,500 \text{ mta}}{21 \mu \text{g/L}} = 500 \frac{\text{mta}}{\mu \text{g L}^{-1}}$$

(b) In - lake levels from the phosphorus reduction can be calculated as:

$$c = \frac{W}{a} = \frac{8000 \text{ mta}}{\frac{1000 \text{ mta}}{1000 \text{ mta}}} = 16 \text{ }\mu\text{g }\text{L}^{-1}$$
(c) W = ac = 500  $\frac{\text{mta}}{1000 \text{ L}^{-1}} \times 10 \text{ }\mu\text{g }\text{L}^{-1} = 5000 \text{ mta}$ 





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#### **CONSERVATIONS OF MASS AND THE MASS BALANCE**

MOMENTUM



Momentum = Mass \* Velocity

MASS



Water Mass = PV Constituent Mass = VC e = Density, V = Volume, C = Concentration



#### Law of Conservation of Mass

The mass in an isolated system can neither be created nor be destroyed but can be transformed from one form to another (Antoine Lavoisier's 1789)

- Some of Law of Conservation:
  - Mass
  - Momentum

#### - Heat

In quantitative terms the principle is expressed as a mass - balance equation that accounts for all transfers of matter across the system's boundaries and all transformations occurring within the system





# **CONSERVATIONS OF MASS AND THE MASS BALANCE**







## **CONSERVATIONS OF MASS AND THE MASS BALANCE**

	SYNTHESIS	DECOMPOSITION	NON - REACTIVE
	REACTIONS	REACTIONS	SUBSTANCES
•	Product of chemical	Reactants	• Chloride Cl <sup>-</sup> ,
	reaction	• BOD	Bromide Br
•	The growth of	Radioactive decay	Non-biodegradable
	algae in the water	Sedimentation	organic matter
•	Gas <mark>abso</mark> rption	Decomposition of organic	Metals
•	Chemical	matter	Stable isotopes
	desorption	Chemical adsorption	
		Degasification	
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### HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT OF WATER – QUANLITY MODELS

- ✤ 1925-1960: Streeter-Phelps
- 1960-1970: Computerization
- ✤ 1970-1977: Biology
- ✤ 1977 present: Toxics

1925-1960 (streeter-Phelps)
 Problems: untreated and primary effluent
 Pollutants: BOD/DO
 Systems: streams/estuaries (1D)
 Kinetics: linear, feed-forward
 Solutions: analytical

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1960-1970 (computerization)
 Problems: primary and secondary effluent
 Pollutants: BOD/DO
 Systems: estuaries/streams(1D/2D)
 Kinetics: linear, feed-forward
 Solutions: analytical and numerical

1970-1977 (biology)
 Problems: eutrophication
 Pollutants: nutrients
 Systems: lakes/estuaries/streams (1D/2D/3D)
 Kinetics: nonlinear, feedback
 Solutions: numerical

1977 - nay (toxics)
 Problems: Toxics
 Pollutants: organic,m metals
 Systems: Sediment-water interactions/food chain ineteraction (lakes/estuaries/stream)
 Kinetics: linear, equilibrum
 Solutions: numerical and analytical







### **EXERCISES**

Ex.2.1: A waste source enters a river as depicted in figure below.

- What is the resulting flow rate in m<sup>3</sup>s<sup>-1</sup> (cms)? (a)
- If instantaneous mixing occurs, what is the resulting concentration in ppm? (b)
- where: 1 gallon=3.785 l, 1ft=0.3048 m, 1ft/s=0.3048 m/s.







- Ex. 2.2: I the early 1970s Lake Michigan had a total phosphourus loading 6950 mta (mta: metric tones per annum. Metric tone=1000kg;T.e mta=10<sup>3</sup> kg/year) and an in-lake concentration of 8  $\mu$ g/L
- a) Determine the lake's assimilation factor (km<sup>3</sup>/year)
- b) What loading rate would be required to bring in-lake levels down to approximately 5 µg/L



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