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ABSTRACT

Theoretical equations and supporting experimental data are presented for determining attenuation of surge waves by a longitudinal side weir in a trapezoidal channel. Comparisons are made of a theoretical equation which had been derived previously for rectangular channels and an equation developed during this study; agreement of each of these equations with experimental data is determined. Surge heights were recorded by 6 capacitance-type wave probes with sensors consisting of plasticized-enamel-coated wire. Two short digital computer programs were developed for trial solutions of the theoretical equations. An explanation of each program, source statement listing, sample input data, and results are presented in the appendix.

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DEFINITION OF TERMS

A	Reciprocal of Froude number of initial flow
A _O	Cross sectional area of the channel with initial flow depth
C*	Ratio of height of weir crest above channel floor to initial depth of flow
C_{d}	Weir discharge coefficient
D ·	Height of weir crest above channel floor
D_{0}	Hydraulic depth, $\frac{A_0}{T_0}$
D/S	Denotes downstream end of weir
dℓ	Derivative of the distance from upstream end of weir
F_{O}	Froude number of initial flow
g	Gravitational acceleration
h	Surge height above initial flow depth
havg	Average surge height
$h_{\mbox{max}}$	Maximum surge height
h ₁	Average surge height at downstream end of weir (before attenuation)
h2	Average surge height at upstream end of weir (after attenuation)
H _b	Depth of flow at side of main channel opposite weir (referenced to weir crest)
$H_{\hbox{\scriptsize eff}}$	Effective head on weir crest
$H_{\mathbf{m}}$	Depth of flow along centerline of main channel (referenced to weir crest)
$\boldsymbol{H}_{\boldsymbol{W}}$	Depth of flow over side weir
K	Adjustment factor for shape of flow profile along side weir
L	Length of weir

$Q \ \text{or} \ Q_{\hbox{\scriptsize in}}$	Discharge entering upstream end of section
Q_{O}	Discharge over side weir
Qout	Discharge of wave leaving upstream end of section (Q_W) plus discharge over side weir (Q_O)
Q_{W}	Discharge of wave after passing weir
Т	Width of surge front at one-half of its height $(\frac{1}{2} h_2)$ at upstream end of side weir
T_{O}	Top width of a trapezoidal channel at initial flow depth
U/S	Denotes upstream end of weir
v _o	Average velocity of initial flow
$v_{\rm w}$	Average wave velocity
W	Width of channel at elevation of weir crest
Y	Average surge depth above channel floor $(Y_0 + h_{avg})$
Yo	Depth of initial flow
Уf	Ratio of surge depth to initial depth at upstream end of weir
Уi	Ratio of surge depth to initial depth at downstream end of weir
μ	Dimensionless weir discharge coefficient = $c_d/\sqrt{2g}$

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this study was to determine the attenuating effect of longitudinal side weirs on surges initiated by rejection of canal flows. The study is an extension of previous work [9]1/ carried out in the Hydraulics Branch.

CONCLUSIONS

- 1. The surge wave velocity decreased as either the initial flow Froude number or the length of side weir increased.
- 2. The surge waves which were initiated from a high initial flow Froude number were attenuated more (in terms of percent reduction) than surges resulting from the flow at a low initial Froude number.
- 3. In determining the attenuation of surge waves by a side weir in a trapezoidal channel with the relative size and shape used in this study, and with Froude number less than 0.10, the studies showed that either maximum or average surge heights can be used in computations with no appreciable difference in results.
- 4. Citrini's equation, although originally developed for rectangular channels, was shown to be applicable to trapezoidal channels with the relative shape used in the present study and with small stable surges (h_{avg}/Y_O less than 0.20).
- 5. There was no appreciable difference between the attenuations derived from the discharge balance equation using either a theoretical average surge velocity or an experimental average surge velocity.

^{1/}Numbers in brackets refer to references listed at the end of this report.

- 6. The use of different weir discharge coefficients in Citrini's equation provided only a slight change in the estimation of surge wave attenuation.
- 7. The theoretical curve derived from the discharge balance equation with a coefficient of mean effective head (K) on the side weir of about 1.75 showed the best agreement with the curve from Citrini's equation.
- 8. Citrini's equation predicted, within the limit of L/W less than 10, a surge height attenuation up to about 20 percent greater than that predicted by the discharge balance equation. Since considerable time is involved in solving Citrini's equation, the simpler discharge balance equation could be used for preliminary hand calculations.

THEORETICAL CONSIDERATIONS

Development of a Simple Theoretical Relationship

It is assumed that the initial depth of flow equals or nearly equals the height of the side weir crest above the channel floor, so that channel storage of the surge wave along the weir can be neglected. A definition sketch of a positive ascending (upstream) surge traveling along the weir is shown in Figure 1.

A simple balance of discharge following complete rejection gives:

$$Q_{in} = Q_{out}$$

where

 Q_{in} = discharge entering upstream end of section (Q), Q_{out} = discharge of wave leaving upstream end of section (Q_{w}) + discharge over weir (Q_{o})

$$Q_{out} = Q_W + Q_0$$

$$Q_W = V_W Th_2$$
(1)

where

V_w = average wave velocity,

T = width of surge front at one-half of its height $(\frac{1}{2} h_2)$ at upstream end of the side weir,

 h_2 = average surge height at upstream end of the side weir.

The theoretical average wave velocity $(V_{\mathbf{W}})$ can be computed by trial and error from the equations

$$V_{w} = \sqrt{\frac{g(A_{2}\overline{Y}_{2} - A_{1}\overline{Y}_{1})}{A_{1}\left(1 - \frac{A_{1}}{A_{2}}\right)}} - V_{1}$$

and

$$V_{w} = \frac{V_{1}A_{1} - V_{2}A_{2}}{(A_{1} - A_{2})}$$

derived from the principles of continuity and momentum. \overline{Y}_1 and \overline{Y}_2 are centroidal depths. The subscripts refer to conditions before (1) and after (2) passage of the wave.

From the general weir equation, $Q_0 = C_d L H^{1.5}$ the discharge over a side weir of length (L) is Q_0 , and the head (H) is approximately (Y-D); therefore,

$$Q_0 = C_d L(Y-D)^{1.5}$$

where

Y = average surge depth above channel floor,

 C_d = weir discharge coefficient (with dimensions of $\sqrt{2g}$)

L = Length of weir,

D = height of weir crest above channel floor.

The flow over a side weir is spatially varied with decreasing discharge as described by Chow [3]. According to W. Frazer [6, p 314], the flow profile along the weir can be classified into five types. In the study described in this report, the flow profile might be considered as either Type 1 or 4, where Type 1 has critical depth at or near the entrance with supercritical flow in the weir section and the depth of flow decreasing along the weir; Type 4 has a depth of flow less than critical at the entrance with supercritical flow in the weir section and the depth of flow decreasing along the weir section. Flow in the main channel is subcritical in both cases.

From previous studies, [1], [2], [5] and [6], the accuracy of measurements of discharge capacity of side weirs mostly depends on the

mean effective head on the weir. Frazer [6] says, "Since the flow conditions at the weir are very complex, any treatment requires certain assumptions to be made. These assumptions are of such a nature that a detailed mathematical analysis is unjustified and inevitably experimental coefficients must be introduced. For this reason, the approach to the problem by several experimenters has been to obtain a simple formula, adjust the formula by experimental coefficients, and investigate the variation in the coefficients with the variation of the significant dimensionless variables obtained in the dimensional analysis. '

In 1934, de Marchi, as discussed in V. K. Collinge's paper [5], published a theoretical equation to determine the discharge over a side weir in a rectangular channel. The equation was developed with the assumptions of constant total energy along the weir and conditions of steady flow. The equation is:

$$\frac{dQ_0}{d\ell} = C_d(Y - D)^{1.5}$$

From the results of Collinge's studies, he suggests that for small variations in depth the mean effective head on the weir should be taken as the mean value of (Y-D) along the length of the weir. For large variations in depth the mean effective head should be calculated according to:

$$H_{eff}$$
 = mean effective head = $\left\{\frac{1}{L}\int_{0}^{L} (Y - D)^{1.5} d\ell\right\}^{2/3}$

where

= distance along weir from upstream end of weir and L is the total length of the weir.

W. Frazer [6] suggests that the mean effective head on a side weir at any cross section of the channel, for the conditions of rapid flow in the weir section be determined by a variation of Simpson's rule:

$$H_{eff} = \frac{H_b + 4H_m + H_w}{6}$$

where

H_b = depth of flow at side of main channel opposite weir,

 H_{m}^{\sim} = depth of flow along centerline of main channel, H_{W} = depth of flow over side weir.

All depths are referenced to the crest of the weir.

In the present study, the flow conditions caused by surge waves along the side weir were extremely complicated, as clearly shown in Figure 2, so that conditions of steady flow did not exist. An accurate determination of the effective head could not be made without a rigorous analysis which was beyond the scope of this study.

Therefore, the approximate mean effective head on the side weir was estimated:

$$H_{eff} = \frac{h_1 + h_2}{2K}$$

where

 H_{eff} = mean effective head,

= average surge height at downstream end of side weir,

h₂ = average surge height at upstream end of side weir,

= factor of adjustment for nonlinear shape of flow profile along the weir.

Citrini's Equation for Attenuation of Surges in Rectangular Channels [4]

Citrini's equation was developed through the use of the method of characteristics. This is a more rigorous method of determining the action exerted by a longitudinal side weir on the height of positive waves, either ascending or descending, in a channel of rectangular section [4]. The validity of this equation has been checked by experiments [7] and [8]. The equation is:

$$y_{f}(y_{1}-1)\left[1+\frac{3}{4}(y_{1}-1)\right]+(y_{1}^{2}-y_{f}^{2})\sqrt{\frac{1}{8}(y_{f}+y_{1})}-y_{1}(y_{f}^{2}-1)\sqrt{\frac{1}{8}(y_{f}+1)}$$

$$-\frac{\frac{\mu}{2}\frac{L}{W}A(y_{f}+y_{1})^{2}(y_{f}+y_{1}-2C^{*})\sqrt{\frac{1}{8}(y_{f}+y_{1}(y_{f}+y_{1}-2C^{*})}}{y_{f}+y_{1}+A(y_{f}^{2}-1)\sqrt{\frac{1}{8}(y_{f}+1)}+A(y_{1}-1)\left[1+\frac{3}{4}(y_{1}-1)\right]+A(y_{f}+y_{1})\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}(y_{f}+y_{1})}}$$

in which

yi = ratio of surge depth to initial depth at downstream end of weir,

 y_f = ratio of surge depth to initial depth at upstream end of weir, μ = dimensionless weir discharge coefficient, $c_d/\sqrt{2g}$, L = weir length,

W = channel width,

A = reciprocal of Froude number of initial flow,

C* = ratio of height of weir crest above channel floor to initial depth of flow.

Solution of Citrini's equation is extremely complicated and subject to errors in calculation. A computer program, presented in the Appendix to this report, was prepared during an earlier study [9] to facilitate rapid calculation and to obtain a higher degree of reliability in the solution.

<u>Limitations of Citrini's equation</u>. --Citrini states that the accuracy of the equation deteriorates as L/W increases, with a maximum error of about 15 percent for L/W = 10. Also, the relationship was intended for use in determining the attenuation of the average surge height.

THE EXPERIMENTAL INVESTIGATION

Description of the Experimental Apparatus

The laboratory model used in these studies consisted of a portion of a model which had been developed for earlier studies [9]. The test channel had a depth of 1 foot (30, 48 cm (centimeters)) and 1-1/2:1side slopes, Figure 3. Most of the model was fabricated from plywood, with warped transition sections formed in concrete. The channel floor was level and the floor and sides had an enamel paint finish. Water was supplied through a recirculating system by a centrifugal pump. Discharge was measured with a portable orifice meter with interchangeable orifices, each of which was calibrated volumetrically. The test channel allowed weir lengths up to approximately 25 feet (7.6 m (meters)). Three weir lengths were tested; 8.00, 15.25 and 23. 25 feet (2.44, 4.65, and 7.09 m). The weir crest was an ogee shape consisting of sheet metal formed over wood templates with elevation tolerances of plus or minus 0.002 feet (0,61 mm (millimeter)). The control at the downstream end of the model consisted of six slide gates which were used to control the depth of flow for each test discharge, Figure 4. The gates could be closed very rapidly for almost instantaneous and complete rejection of theinflow. Water surface elevations during each test run were measured with point gages at the centerline of the channel at the upstream and downstream ends of the weir.

The wave instrumentation is described in King's thesis [10]:

"The model instrumentation included six capacitance-type wave probes with sensors of plasticized-enamel-coated wire. Each wire was about 6-1/4 inches long (16 cm).

mounted in a U-shaped frame made from 1/4-inch-diameter (6.35 mm) stainless steel rod. The wires were held in the frames by small plastic insulators. The lower end of the wire was carefully sealed in the insulators to prevent electrical shorting by the water. Each frame was attached to a modified point gage staff in a rack and pinion device with a vernier reading to 0.001 foot (0.30 mm). Each probe was connected to one channel of a commercial six-channel direct-writing oscillograph."

The locations of the probes are shown on Figure 5. Figure 6 is a photograph of the test channel and model instrumentation.

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Test Program and Limitations

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Discussion of Experimental Results

Surge propagation in the channel without the side weir. -- A series of tests [9] has been made with no side weir to determine the characteristics of the surge wave as it travels through the channel unattenuated by artificial means. The earlier observations apply equally to this study. The prototype rejection surge wave will be reduced by friction; however, in the length of channel under consideration for this study the maximum oscillation peak increased along the channel as the surge approached full development, followed by a fairly rapid decrease in size due to instability. The wave tended to become more stable as it traversed the channel. The general form of the rejection surge was undular, as described in the previous study [9].

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velocity is due to two factors: (1) the higher initial flow velocity or Froude number causes retardation of the surge wave and (2) a greater weir length will discharge more water over the side weir and the resultant reduction of surge height will reduce the surge velocity.

Effect of initial flow conditions on the surge attenuation efficiency of the side weir. -- Figure 9 shows that the efficiency of surge attenuation by a side weir directly depends on the initial flow conditions. The main factor affecting the surge attenuation is the discharge capacity of the side weir. The magnitude of this discharge is governed by the following initial flow factors: (1) The wave velocity controls the angle which the resultant velocity (vector sum of the wave velocity vector and the weir discharge velocity vector) makes with the side weir; in case of a high wave velocity (or low Froude number) the angle will be small and will provide less discharge capacity. This leads to a lower efficiency of surge attenuation. On the other hand, with low wave velocity (high F_O) the resultant velocity makes a greater angle with the weir and gives more discharge over the weir. (2) The mean effective head on the weir crest controls the magnitude of the discharge over the side weir. A relatively large mean effective head resulting from a surge initiated from a high Froude number will be attenuated more than one resulting from flow at a low Froude number.

Effects of the Froude number and the weir length on maximum and average surge heights at upstream end of the weir. -- Figure 10 compares the experimental results for the relationships among Froude number. maximum and average surge heights at upstream end of the weir, and weir length. It should again be mentioned at this point that the recorded surge wave was of undular form, consisting of the initial wave followed by a series of secondary oscillations. In this study, the largest of the series usually was the leading peak. Consequently, the height of the first oscillation peak is considered as the maximum surge height throughout this report. The plots of the experimental data in Figure 10 show that in general, the maximum surge heights differ from the average surge heights only for Froude numbers greater than about 0.10. Based on these curves, it can be concluded that either the maximum or average surge height can be used in determining the amount of attenuation of surge waves by a side weir; assuming a trapezoidal channel with relative size and shape used in this study and a Froude number less than 0.10.

Figure 11 illustrates the experimental relationships between the weir length and the ratio of maximum and average surge depths at the upstream and downstream ends of the weir. The scatter in the data points is likely due to errors in determining the average surge heights from the oscillograph, especially at the upstream end of the weir where the wave form is unstable. Also included in the plot is a limiting asymptote which denotes no attenuation by the side weir.

Agreement of theoretical predictions with the experimental results. Figures 10 and 11 indicate that Citrini's equation, although originally developed for rectangular channels, is also applicable to trapezoidal channels with the same relative shape as that used in the present study and with relatively small stable surge waves (h_{avg}/Y_o) less than 0.20). The agreement between Citrini's theory and the experimental data is quite good. Through comparison of both theoretical curves, it appears that within a limit of L/W = 10 Citrini's equation shows a maximum deviation in surge height attenuation up to about 20 percent from that derived from the equation which was developed through the use of the discharge balance.

Effect of using theoretical and experimental average surge velocities to solve the discharge balance equation. --Figure 12 shows that there is no appreciable difference between the attenuations predicted by the discharge balance equation using either the theoretical average surge velocity or experimental average surge velocity.

Effect of using different weir discharge coefficients to solve Citrini's equation. --Figure 13 demonstrates that a difference in weir discharge coefficients causes only a slight change in the attenuation prediction. Therefore, for preliminary design purposes, the weir discharge coefficient can be considered as a relatively unimportant factor in surge wave attenuation evaluated by Citrini's equation.

Effect of using different coefficients of mean effective head on the side weir. --Since the flow conditions caused by surge waves along a side weir are extremely complicated, no attempt was made to investigate the variables governing the mean effective head on the weir. However, the following approach was used to solve the problem in this study. According to Schoklitsch [13], the approximate mean effective head on a side weir is taken as the arithmetic mean of the heads at the upstream and downstream ends (K = 1.0), but this assumption is valid only in case of approximate linearity of the water surface profile. Consequently, in the case of nonlinearity such as occurred in this study where the undular profile exists along the weir section, it is necessary to modify the estimated mean head. A value of K = 1.2was in the computations discussed thus far; 1.2 is the constant value of the ratio of maximum surge height to average surge height in a trapezoidal channel which was reported in previous studies [10]. Use of this value assumes that the average surge height is linear along the weir, but that the maximum surge height is curvilinear.

The value of K for deriving the discharge balance equation to provide the closest agreement with Citrini's equation can be determined from Figure 14. An initial flow depth of 0.333 foot (10.15 cm) and an 8.00-foot-long weir (2.44 m) were investigated. The results show that the required value of K is about 1.75. However, a K value of 1.0 is acceptable for initial estimates.

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Table 1

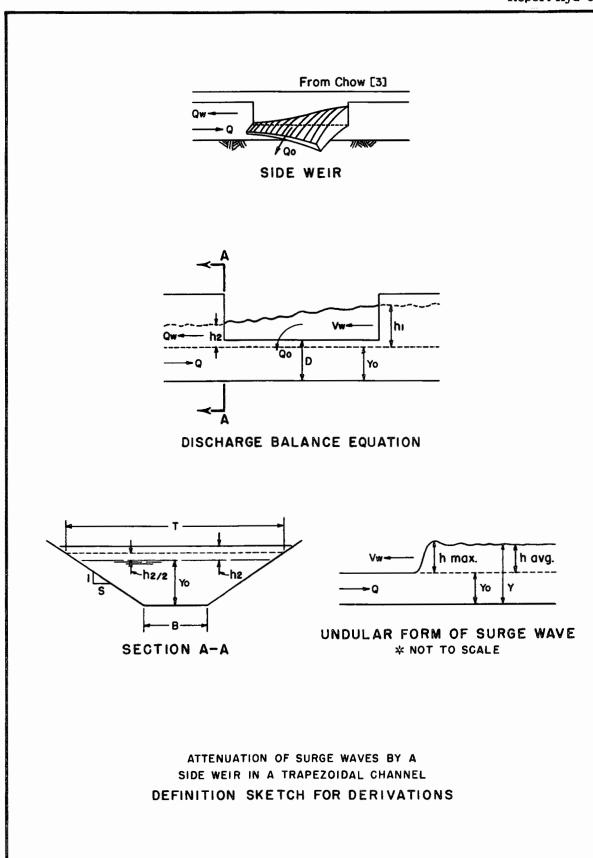
EXPERIMENTAL DATA FOR INITIAL FLOW DEPTH OF 0.333 FT (10.15 cm)

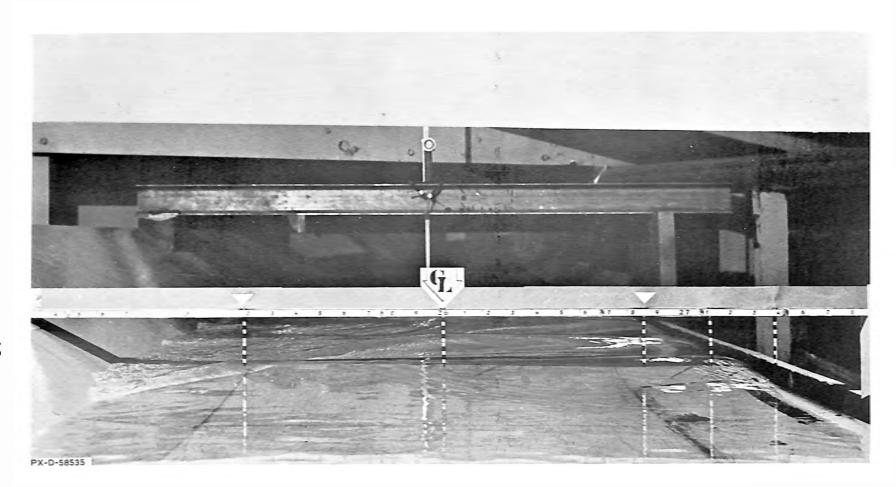
Side weir length L	Initial depth Y _O	F_0	Ave surge vel ft/sec (m/sec)		Ratio of surge depth Initial depth (h+Y ₀)/Y Average First p D/S U/S D/S			Y_{o}	oscillation s		age of first urge peak H _{max} : (end of weir)	
8.00 ft (2.44 m)	0.333 ft (10.15 cm)	0.186 0.165 0.125 0.101 0.083 0.070 0.061	2.72 2.75 2.79 2.83 2.85 2.87 2.88	(0.83) (0.84) (0.85) (0.86) (0.87) (0.87) (0.88)	1.132 1.120 1.097 1.079 1.060 1.054 1.048	1.108 1.096 1.085 1.064 1.055 1.045	1.171 1.150 1.118 1.088 1.069 1.060 1.051	1.117 1.102 1.088 1.066 1.057 1.045 1.039	100 100 100 100 100 100	84.2 82.0 86.8 82.8 95.6 90.0 94.1	73.6 72.0 76.4 82.8 95.6 75.0 82.3	68.4 68.0 73.7 75.9 82.6 75.0 76.5
15.25 ft (4.65 m)	0.333 ft (10.15 cm)	0.186 0.165 0.125 0.099 0.083 0.070 0.062	2.67 2.70 2.76 2.80 2.83 2.84 2.86	(0.81) (0.82) (0.84) (0.85) (0.86) (0.87) (0.87)	1.132 1.120 1.090 1.072 1.060 1.058 1.057	1.084 1.080 1.069 1.053 1.052 1.044 1.042	1.146 1.143 1.109 1.080 1.069 1.059 1.057	1.084 1.080 1.069 1.053 1.054 1.044 1.042	100 100 100 100 100 100	85.7 75.0 80.5 85.2 87.0 85.0 89.5	69. 4 66. 7 69. 4 70. 4 78. 3 80. 0 84. 2	55. 1 56. 2 66. 7 66. 7 78. 3 75. 0 73. 7
23.25 ft (7.09 m)	0.333 ft (10.15 cm)	0.186 0.166 0.124 0.098 0.082 0.071 0.062	2.61 2.66 2.73 2.76 2.79 2.81 2.83	(0.80) (0.81) (0.83) (0.84) (0.85) (0.86) (0.86)	1.132 1.132 1.084 1.065 1.063 1.057 1.048	1.067 1.066 1.050 1.039 1.044 1.044	1.164 1.148 1.101 1.075 1.066 1.062 1.051	1.068 1.066 1.050 1.039 1.044 1.044 1.039	100 100 100 100 100 100	74.5 81.6 79.4 80.0 87.0 85.7 100.0	58.2 79.6 61.8 68.0 78.3 85.7 82.3	41.8 44.9 50.0 52.0 65.2 71.4 76.5

Table 2

EXPERIMENTAL DATA FOR INITIAL FLOW DEPTH OF 0.320 FT (9.75 cm)

			Ave		Ratio of surge depth to				Percentage of first			
Side weir length	Initial	$\mathbf{F_o}$	surge		initial depth (h+Y _O)/Y _O				oscillation surge peak H _{max}			
${f L}$	depth Yo		vel		Average First peak				recorded at: (end of weir)			
			ft/sec	(m/sec)	D/S	U/S	D/S	U/S	D/S	$1/3~\mathrm{L}$	2/3 L	U/S
8.00 ft (2.44 m)	0.320 ft (9.75 cm)	0. 198 0. 177 0. 133 0. 105 0. 087 0. 074 0. 065	2.61 2.63 2.66 2.74 2.75 2.77 2.79	(0.80) (0.80) (0.81) (0.84) (0.84) (0.84) (0.85)	1.149 1.137 1.113 1.084 1.069 1.061 1.059	1.130 1.119 1.100 1.078 1.062 1.055 1.053	1.167 1.159 1.122 1.093 1.075 1.061 1.059	1. 139 1. 128 1. 109 1. 078 1. 065 1. 055 1. 055	100 100 100 100 100 100	96.3 86.3 92.3 86.7 91.7 100	88.9 84.3 92.3 86.7 91.7 95.0 94.7	83.3 80.4 89.7 83.3 87.5 90.0 94.7
15.25 ft (4.65 m)	0. 320 ft (9. 75 cm)	0.200 0.177 0.132 0.105 0.087 0.075 0.065	2.58 2.62 2.64 2.69 2.72 2.74 2.76	(0.79) (0.80) (0.80) (0.82) (0.83) (0.84) (0.84)	1.131 1.125 1.093 1.081 1.068 1.062 1.059	1.106 1.100 1.084 1.075 1.065 1.059 1.056	1.169 1.150 1.109 1.091 1.075 1.062 1.059	1.113 1.106 1.084 1.075 1.065 1.059 1.056	100 100 100 100 100 100	96.3 85.4 91.4 89.6 95.8 100	77.1	66.7 70.8 74.3 82.7 91.7 95.0 94.7
23.25 ft (7.09 m)	0.320 ft (9.75 cm)	0.200 0.179 0.134 0.107 0.086 0.076 0.065	2.54 2.59 2.66 2.68 2.70 2.71 2.73	(0.77) (0.79) (0.81) (0.82) (0.82) (0.83) (0.83)	1.150 1.138 1.097 1.081 1.067 1.066 1.052	1.103 1.100 1.081 1.053 1.058 1.063 1.049	1.175 1.160 1.107 1.088 1.077 1.069 1.059	1.103 1.107 1.085 1.053 1.065 1.069 1.059	100 100 100 100 100 100	83.9 84.3 97.1 85.7 92.0 100	76.5 88.2 75.0	58.9 66.7 79.4 60.7 84.0 100





ATTENUATION OF SURGE WAVES BY A SIDE WEIR IN A TRAPEZOIDAL CHANNEL

Typical Undular Form of Surge Wave Along the Weir Crest Looking Downstream

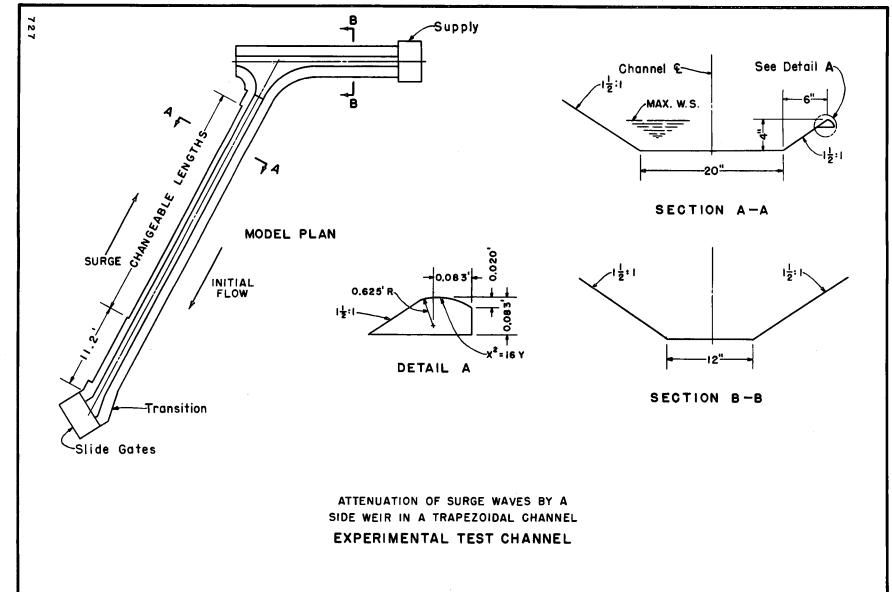


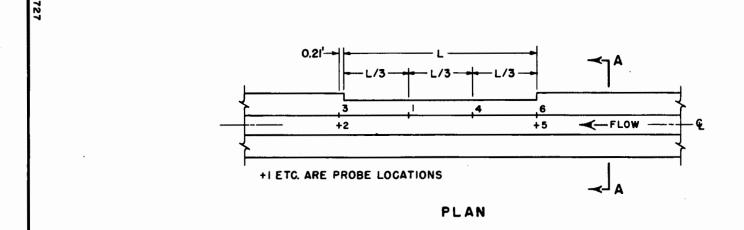
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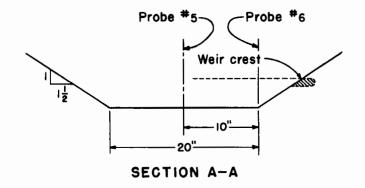


NOTE: Backflow tanks were not used in this study.

ATTENUATION OF SURGE WAVES BY A SIDE WEIR IN A TRAPEZOIDAL CHANNEL

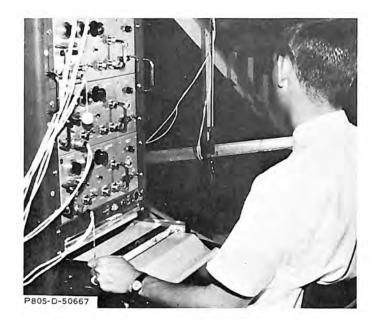
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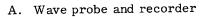




WEIR LENGTH L (FT.)	DISTANCE OF L/3 (FT.)
8.00	2.67
15.25	5.08
23.25	7.75
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ATTENUATION OF SURGE WAVES BY A SIDE WEIR IN A TRAPEZOIDAL CHANNEL WAVE PROBE LOCATIONS







B. Capacitance wave probe

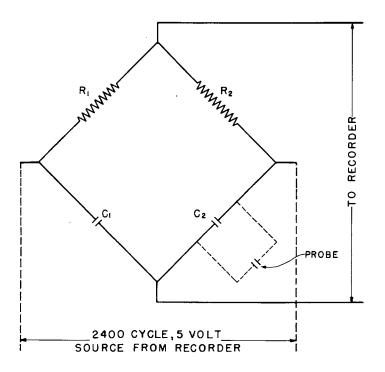


C. Passage of surge wave along weir

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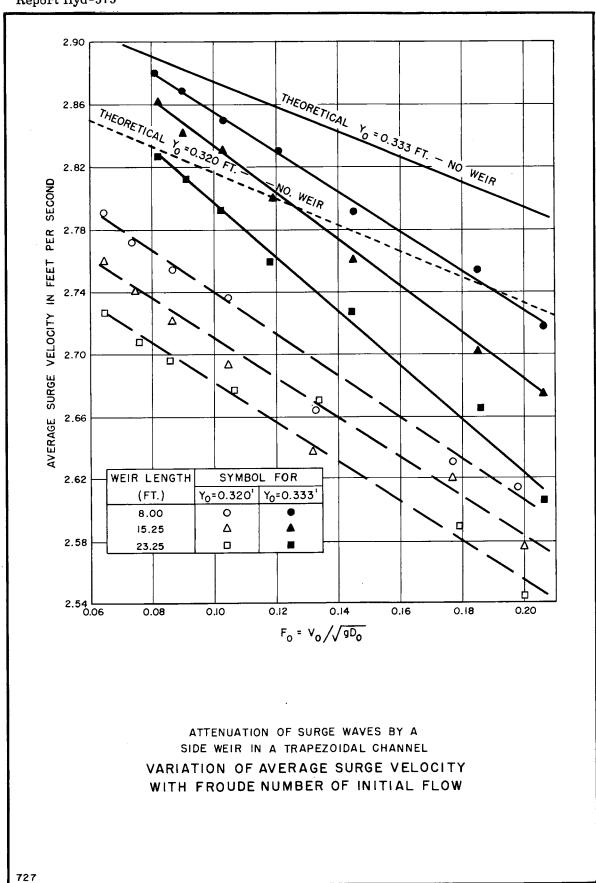
Model Instrumentation

 R_1 , R_2 =200 to 250 ohms. C_1 , C_2 =0.1 microfard, dual bathtub condenser preferred. From King [10]

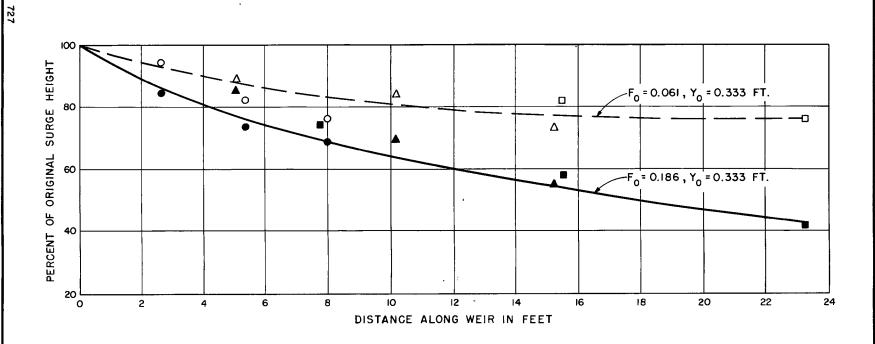


ATTENUATION OF SURGE WAVES BY A
SIDE WEIR IN A TRAPEZOIDAL CHANNEL
BRIDGE CIRCUIT FOR VARIABLE CAPACITANCE WAVE PROBE

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•, \blacktriangle , \blacksquare Experimental data from 8.00, 15.25 and 23.25 ft. weir, respectively, for F_0 = 0.186.

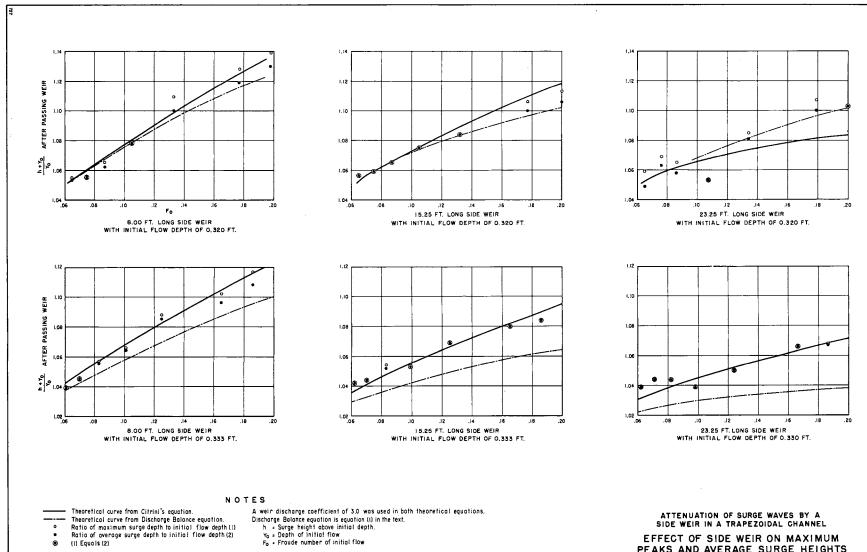
O, Δ , Experimental data from 8.00, 15.25 and 23.25 ft. weir, respectively, for $F_0 = 0.061$.

F₀ = Froude number of initial flow where initial depth = the height of weir crest = 0.333 ft.

ATTENUATION OF SURGE WAVES BY A SIDE WEIR IN A TRAPEZOIDAL CHANNEL

EFFECT OF FROUDE NUMBER OF INITIAL FLOW ON ATTENUATING ABILITY OF WEIR





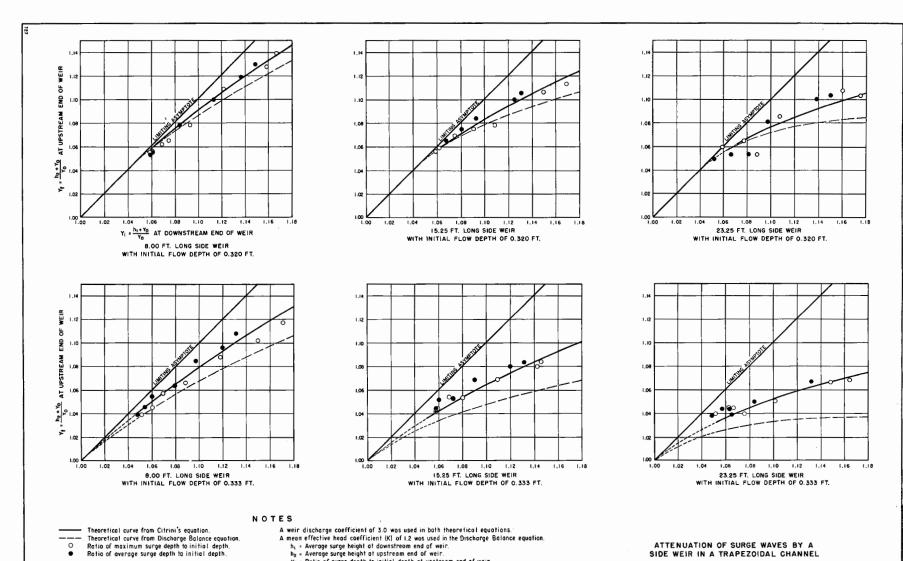
PEAKS AND AVERAGE SURGE HEIGHTS



SIDE WEIR IN A TRAPEZOIDAL CHANNEL

VARIATION BETWEEN THEORETICAL EQUATIONS

AND COMPARISON WITH EXPERIMENTAL DATA

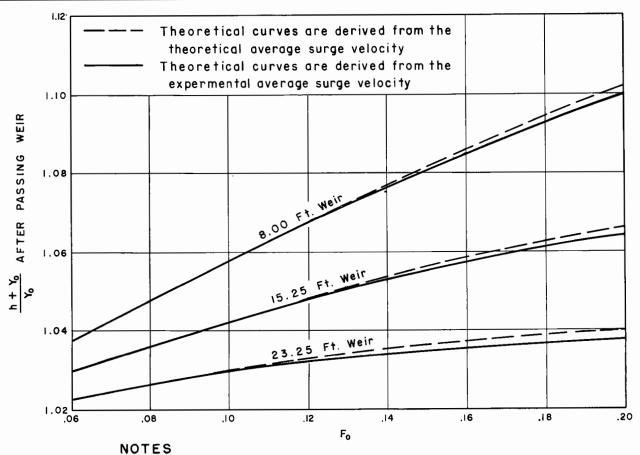


 h_1 = Average surge height at downstream end of weir. h_2 = Average surge height at upstream end of weir.

Yo = Depth of initial flow.

Yf = Ratio of surge depth to initial depth at upstream end of weir.

Yi = Ratio of surge depth to initial depth at downstream end of weir.

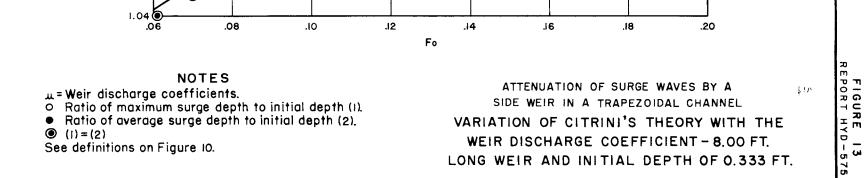


Theoretical curves are derived from the discharge balance equation for a weir discharge coefficient of 3.0 and a mean effective head coefficient (K) of 1.2. See definitions on Figure 10.

ATTENUATION OF SURGE WAVES BY A
SIDE WEIR IN A TRAPEZOIDAL CHANNEL

VARIATION OF THE DISCHARGE BALANCE
EQUATION WITH DIFFERENT AVERAGE

SURGE VELOCITIES



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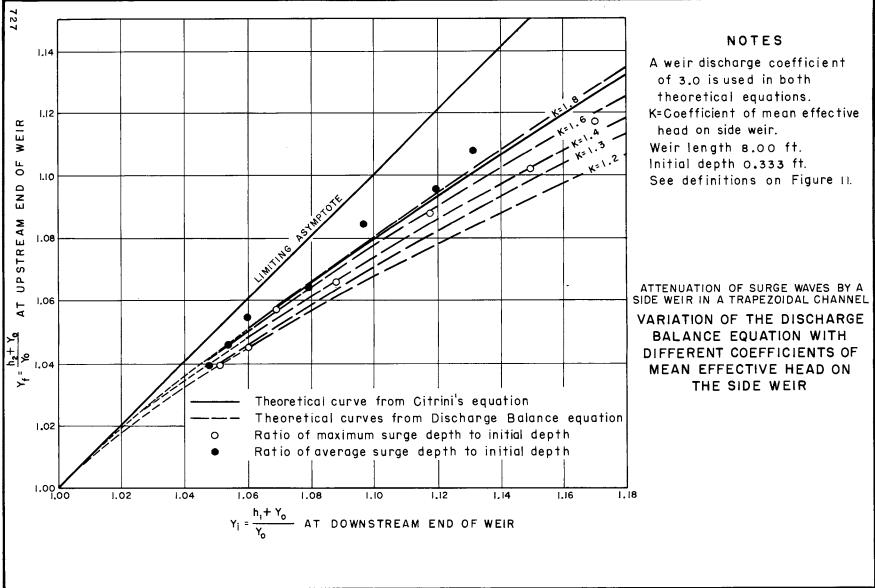
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APPENDIX

PROGRAM NO. 1

Electronic Digital Computer Program to Solve the Theoretical Discharge Balance Equation for Attenuation of a Rejection Surge by a Side Weir in a Trapezoidal Channel

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The theoretical discharge balance equation, equation (1), and the weir discharge equation involve trial solution for the weir attenuated surge height (H₂). A computer program was developed for use on the Honeywell H-800 computing facility, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, Denver, Colorado.

The program was written in the AUTOMATH (FORTRAN IV) program language. A listing of the program source statements and samples of the input and output data are included in this Appendix.

The average wave velocity (VW), and the average surge height at downstream end of the side weir (H1) were obtained from the solutions of the theoretical equations which are shown in D. L. King's thesis [10]. Those equations also were solved by an electronic digital computer program which is described in the same paper [10].

Input data consist of the rejected rate of flow (QREJ), the average wave velocity (VW), the channel bottom width (B), the side slopes (S), the initial flow depth (Y1), the discharge coefficient of the side weir (COEF), the weir length (XL), the average surge height at the downstream end of the side weir (H1), the coefficient of mean effective head on the side weir (RATIO), the distance of the weir crest above the channel floor (SPWYD), the Froude number of the initial flow (F), and the size (DELTA) of iteration steps used in the solution of the equations. The output data included all the input variables listed above, (except B, S, F and DELTA) the computed surge height (H2) at the upstream end of the weir, the ratio of the surge depth to initial depth before (YI) and after (YF) attenuation by the weir, the reciprocal of the Froude number of the initial flow (RF), and an indicator of the accuracy of the approximate solution (FF).

The bisection method is used to derive an approximate solution for the surge height following attenuation by a side weir. From the derived continuity equation and the weir discharge equation, the value of H2 can be solved by trial and error. The algebraic sum QWAVE+QWEIR-QREJ, which is represented by FF in the program, is zero when the

correct value for H2 is obtained, or the correct solution is reached when the value of FF is within an arbitrarily chosen limit on either side of zero. In this case, the absolute value of FF required for a correct solution was assigned 0.00001. In the bisection method, the limits are adjusted and iterations continue until the solution is reached. For each iteration, the trial value of H2 is taken at the midpoint between the upper and lower limits. If the corresponding value of FF is found to be positive, the upper limit is assigned the trial value of H2 and the lower limit remains the same. If the value of FF is negative, the lower limit is assigned the trial value of H2 and the upper limit remains the same. Then a new trial H2 is obtained at the midpoint between the new limits. The procedure is repeated and the range between limits becomes smaller, until the correct solution is reached, or when the specified number of iterations has been performed. The final value of FF is printed as a check.

DEFINITION OF TERMS* USED IN COMPUTER PROGRAM NO. 1

DELTA Size of iteration steps

FF Indicator of accuracy of approximate solution

I Loop counter

J Loop counter

H1 h₁ in text

H2 h₂ in text

H2MIN Minimum value of H₂

H2MAX Maximum value of H2

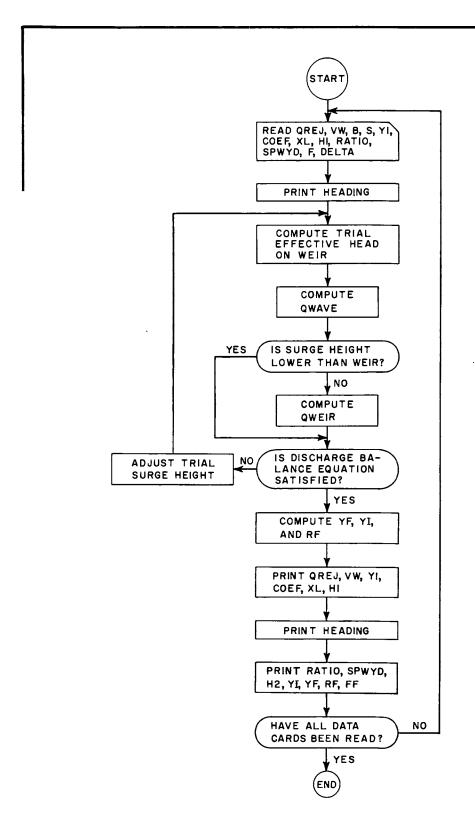
QREJ Rejected discharge

QWAVE Discharge of wave leaving upstream end of section

QWEIR Discharge over side weir

RF Reciprocal of Froude number of initial flow

^{*}Terms which are identical to those defined in the main body of the report and some in computer program No. 2 are not repeated.



FLOW CHART FOR DIGITAL COMPUTER SOLUTION OF THE DISCHARGE BALANCE EQUATION FOR SURGE ATTENUATION BY A LATERAL SPILLWAY

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* * AUTCMATH 1800 SOURCE PROGRAM LISTING* * * 08/10/66

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		1	H1)						5	
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	0014		= (H2MIN+H2MAX)						1144	
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	0022		TO 7						23	
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	0025		(FF-LT-0-0) H2M						16Bn	
	0026		(FF.GT.0.0) H2M						16CD	
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Sample Input Data Sheet

Continuity Equation for

Attenuation of Surge Waves by a Side weir

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LABORATORY PUNCH CARD DATA

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ROOM

PROJECT in a Trapezoidal Channel ROOM BLDG. PHONE

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1.200	•333	•024	1.111	1.073	7•519	•000007

SAMPLE OUTPUT LISTING PROGRAM No. 1

PROGRAM NO. 2

Electronic Digital Computer Program to Solve Citrini's Equation for Attenuation of a Rejection Surge by a Side Weir from (King [9])

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The program was developed to solve an equation derived by Citrini, [4] for the attenuation of an open channel surge by a side weir. The lengthy equation is presented in the Theoretical Considerations Section of this report and will not be repeated here. The program was written in the FORTRAN IV language and can be used on most electronic computers. No special operating procedures are required.

Solution of the equation was accomplished by the bisection method. The required result was the surge height following attenuation by the side weir (or lateral spillway). Dimensionless forms, YI and YF, were used in the computations. YI was the ratio of the surge depth (Y2) to the normal water depth (Y1) before attenuation by the weir, and YF was the corresponding ratio after attenuation by the weir. In the bisection method, upper and lower limits are chosen which are expected to bracket the correct solution. In this case, the upper limit (YF1) was the ratio of the surge depth before attenuation to the normal channel water depth (YI) and the lower limit (YF2) was assigned the value 1.0, which corresponds to complete destruction of the surge wave by the side weir. The trial value of YF is taken at the midpoint between the limits and substituted in the equation, which appears in the form of a function statement (RESID). The correct solution is reached when the value of the function is equal to zero or is within an arbitrarily chosen limit on either side of zero. In this case, the absolute value of the function required for a correct solution was 0.00001. In the bisection method, the limits are adjusted and iterations continue until the solution is obtained. For each iteration, the trial value of YF is taken at the midpoint between the upper and lower limits. If the corresponding value of RESID is negative, the lower limit is assigned the trial value of YF and the upper limit remains the same. Then a new trial YF is obtained at the midpoint between the new limits. The procedure is repeated and the range between limits becomes smaller, until the correct solution is obtained or until 20 iterations (sufficient for the data used) had been accomplished. An error check was included, in case the method did not converge to the correct solution.

Input data consisted of the channel bottom width (B), the side slopes (S), the discharge coefficient of the side weir (COEF), the initial flow depth (Y1), the surge depth (Y2), the distance of the weir crest above the channel floor (SPWYD), the weir length (XL), and the Froude number of the initial flow (F). A sample imput data sheet is included in this appendix.

The output data included the input variables listed above and the ratio of the surge depth to the initial depth before (YI) and after (YF) attenuation by the side weir. A representative output listing is also included in this appendix.

DEFINITION OF TERMS USED IN COMPUTER PROGRAM NO. 2

YF Ratio of surge depth to initial depth following attenuation

by the side weir (Y_f)

DIFF Value of equation for trial value of YF

RESID Statement function name

YI Ratio of surge depth to initial depth before attenuation

by the side weir (Y_i)

XMU Dimensionless weir discharge coefficient (μ)

XL Weir length (L)

W Width of channel at elevation of weir crest

AF Reciprocal of Froude number of initial flow (A)

CSTAR Ratio of SPWYD to YI (C*)

B Channel bottom width

S Channel side slopes

COEF Weir discharge coefficient

Y1 Initial depth

Y2 Surge depth before attenuation by side weir

SPWYD Height of weir crest above channel floor

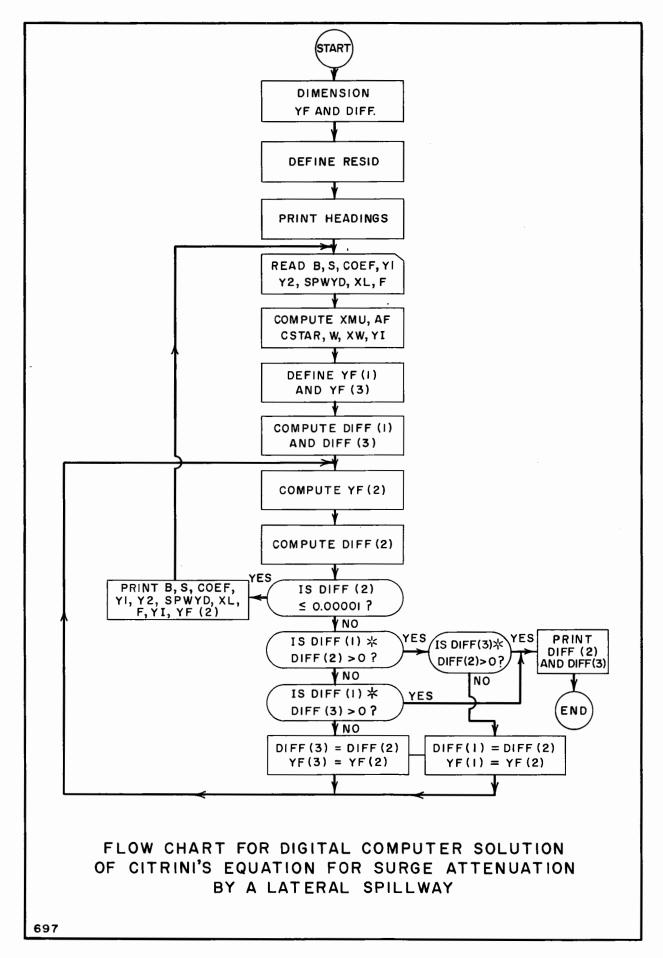
F Froude number of initial flow

XW Ratio of weir length to channel top width at weir crest

(L/W)

I Subscript, fixed-point variable

^{*}Terms in parenthesis are those which appear in original equation.



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1 F *!
             EFN
                             PROGRAM: HKATTN
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                                                                                                         PASE: 01
            DETERMINATION OF SURGE ATTENUATION DUE TO CANAL SIDE SPILLWAY
0001
                   GIMENSION YF(3) DIFF(3)
0002
             10010 RESID (YF . YT . XMU . XL . W . AF . CSTAR) =
                  1((YF*(YI-1.0)*(1.0+0.75*(YI-1.0)))
                  2+ ((YI**2)-(YF**2))*(SGRT(0.125*(YF+YI)))
                  3-(YI*((YF**2)-1.0)*(SQFT(0.125*(YF+1.0))))-
                 4(((XMU/2.0)*(XL/W)*AF*((YF+YI)**2)*(YF+YI=2.*CSTAR)
                  5*(SQRT(0.125*(YF+YI)*(YF+YI-2.0*CSTAR)))) /
                 6(YF+YI+AF*((YF**2)-1.0)*(SGRT(0.125*(YF+1.0)))
                 7+AF*(YI=1.0)*(1.0+0.75*(YI=1.0))
                 8+AF*(YF+YI)*(SQRT(0.5*(YF+YI)))))
0003
             13030FCRMAT(1H1.79H
                                                       COEF
                                                                Y1
                                                                        Y2
                                                                                SPWY
                 1 L
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0004
             1305 FCRMAT(1x.6F8.3.F8.2.1x.3F8.3)
0005
             1330 FORMAT(8F8.0)
0006
                   WRITE (6.1303)
0007
             1331 READ (5:1330) 8.5.COEF.Y1.Y2.SPWYD.XL.F
0010
                   XMU = CGEF/8.0199
0011
                   AF==1.0/F
0012
                  CSTAR = SPWYD/Y1
0013
                  5 # 8+2.0*5*SPWYD
0014
                  X = X L / W
0015
                  YI=Y2/Y1
                                                                             LISTING OF PROGRAM SOURCE
0016
                  YF(1)=YI
                                                                                        STATEMENTS
0017
                  YF(3) = 1.0
                                                                                       PROGRAM No. 2
                   DC 1003 [=1.3.2
0020
0021
                  DIFF(I) = RESID(YF(I) • YI • XMU • XL • W • AF • CSTAR)
0022
             1003 CONTINUE
0023
             1005 0C 1950 J=1,20
0024
                  YF(2) = (YF(1) + YF(3))/2 = 0
0025
                  DIFF(2) = RESID(YF(2).YI.XMU.XL.W.AF.CSTAR)
0026
                   IF ((ABS(DIFF(2))) .LE. 0.00001) GC TO 1951
                  TF((DTFF(1)*DIFF(2)) .GT. 0.0) GC TC 1004
0027
0030
                  IF ((DIFF(1) *DIFF(3)) .GT. 0.0) GC TC 1701
                  DIFF(3) = DIFF(2)
0031
0032
                  YF(3) = YF(2)
0033
                   60 TO 1950
             1004 IF((DIFF(3)*DIFF(2)) .GT. 0.0) GC TO 1701
0034
0035
                   DIFF(1) = DIFF(2)
0036
                  YF(1) = YF(2)
0037
             1950 CONTINUE
             1951 ARITE (6.1305) B.S.COEF.Y1.Y2.5PAYC.XL.F.YI.YF(2)
0040
0041
                   GC TO 1331
0042
             1700 FORMAT (9H DIFF(1)=F9.4)
0043
             1701 MRITE (6,1700) (DIFF(1),1=1,3)
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END

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USE	PROBLEM Sample Input Data Sheet DETAIL for Determination of Surge Attenuation					# Sample Program No. 2			
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CARDS	due to Canal Side Spillway by Citrini's Equation					ROOM	BLDG.	PHONE	
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B	S	COEF	Y1	Y2	SPWYD	L	F	ΥI	YF
1.667	1,500	3,000	.333	•389	•333	8.00	.199	1.168	1.124
1.667	1.500	3,000	.333	.383	.333	8.00	.181	1.150	1.113
1.667	1,500	3,000	.333	.375	,333	8.00	153	1.126	1.097
1.667	1.500	3.000	.333	.372	.333	9.00	.142	1.117	1.091
1.667	1.50C	3.000	.333	.370	.333	8.00	133	1.111	1.087
1.667	1.500	3,000	.333	.365	333	8.00	117	1,096	1.076
1.667	1.500	3.000	333	.364	.333	8.00	111	1.093	1.074
1.667	1.500	3.000	.333	.362	333	9.00	105	1.087	1.070
1.667	1.500	3,000	.333	359	.333	8,00	095	1.078	1.063
1.667	1.500	3.000	.333	358	.333	8.00	091	1.075	1.061
1.667	1,500	3,000	.333	357	.333	8.00	086	1.072	1.059
1.667	1.500	3.000	,333	356	.333	8.00	.083	1.069	1.057
1.667	1.500	3,000	,333	355	.333	8.00	.080	1,066	1.054
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1.667		3.000	.333			8.00	.074	1.060	1.050
	1.500	3.000		.352	.333	3.00	.071	1.057	1.048
1.667	1.500	3.000	.333	.352	.333	3.00	.069	1.057	1.048
1.667	1,500	3,000	.333	.351	.333	8.00	.066	1.054	1.045
1.667	1.500	3,000	.333	.351	.333	9.00	.064	1.054	1.045
1.667	1.500	3,000	.333	.350	.333	8.00	.062	1.051	1.043
1.667	1.500	3,000	.333	.349	,333	8.00	059	1.048	1.041

CONVERSION FACTORS--BRITISH TO METRIC UNITS OF MEASUREMENT

The following conversion factors adopted by the Bureau of Reclamation are those published by the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM Metric Practice Guide, January 1964) except that additional factors (*) commonly used in the Bureau have been added. Further discussion of definitions of quantities and units is given on pages 10-11 of the ASTM Metric Practice Guide.

The metric units and conversion factors adopted by the ASTM are based on the "International System of Units" (designated SI for Systeme International d'Unites), fixed by the International Committee for Weights and Measures; this system is also known as the Giorgi or MKSA (meter-kilogram (mass)-second-ampere) system. This system has been adopted by the International Organization for Standardization in ISO Recommendation R-31.

The metric technical unit of force is the kilogram-force; this is the force which, when applied to a body having a mass of 1 kg, gives it an acceleration of 9.80665 m/sec/sec, the standard acceleration of free fall toward the earth's center for sea level at 45 deg latitude. The metric unit of force in SI units is the newton (N), which is defined as that force which, when applied to a body having a mass of 1 kg, gives it an acceleration of 1 m/sec/sec. These units must be distinguished from the (inconstant) local weight of a body having a mass of 1 kg; that is, the weight of a body is that force with which a body is attracted to the earth and is equal to the mass of a body multiplied by the acceleration due to gravity. However, because it is general practice to use "pound" rather than the technically correct term "pound-force," the term "kilogram" (or derived mass unit) has been used in this guide instead of "kilogram-force" in expressing the conversion factors for forces. The newton unit of force will find increasing use, and is essential in SI units.

Table I

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QUAN	NTITIES AND UNITS OF SPAC	CE
Multiply	By	To obtain
	LENGTH	
Mil. Inches Feet Yards Miles (statute)	25. 4 (exactly)	Millimeters Centimeters Centimeters Meters Meters
	AREA	
Square inches	929. 03*. 0. 092903 0. 836127 0. 40469* 4,046. 9* 0. 0040469*	Square meters Hectares
	VOLUME	
Cubic inches	16.3871	
	CAPACITY	
Fluid ounces (U.S.) Liquid pints (U.S.) Quarts (U.S.) Gallons (U.S.) Gallons (U.K.) Cubic feet. Cubic yards. Acre-feet.	29. 5729 0. 473179 0. 473166 946. 358* 0. 946331* 3, 785. 43* 3. 78543. 3. 78533. 0. 00378543* 4. 54609 4. 54696 28. 3160 764. 55* 1, 233. 5*	Cubic decimeters Liters Cubic centimeters Liters Cubic centimeters Cubic decimeters Liters Cubic decimeters Liters Cubic meters Liters Liters Liters Liters Liters Liters Liters Liters Cubic meters

Table II

QUANTITIES AND UNITS OF MECHANICS

Multiply	By	To obtain
	MASS	
Grains (1/7,000 lb) Troy ounces (480 grains). Ounces (avdp). Pounds (avdp). Short tons (2,000 lb). Long tons (2,240 lb).	28. 3495 0. 45359237 (exactly)	Grams Grams Kilograms Kilograms Kilograms
	FORCE/AREA	
Pounds per square inch	. 0. 689478 . 4. 88243 . 47. 8803	. Kilograms per square meter
	MASS/VOLUME (DENSITY)	
Ounces per cubic inch Pounds per cubic foot	16.0185	. Grams per cubic centimeter Kilograms per cubic meter Grams per cubic centimeter Grams per cubic centimeter
	MASS/CAPACITY	
Ounces per gallon (U.S.)	119.829	. Grams per liter
	BENDING MOMENT OR TORQUE	
Inch-pounds Foot-pounds Foot-pounds per inch Ounce-inches	1. 12985 x 10 ⁸	Meter-kilograms Centimeter-dynes Centimeter-kilograms per centimeter.
	VELOCITY	
Feet per second. Feet per year. Miles per hour	0.965873 x 10-6*	. Kilometers per hour
	ACCELERATION*	
Feet per second ²	0.3048*	. Meters per second ²
	FLOW	
Cubic feet per second (second- feet)	0.06309	. Cubic meters per second . Liters per second . Liters per second
Pounds		

Multiply	Ву	To obtain					
	WORK AND ENERGY*						
British thermal units (Btu)	. 1,055.06	Joules Joules per gram					
	POWER						
Horsepower Btu per hour Foot-pounds per second	0.293071						
	HEAT TRANSFER						
Btu in./hr ft² deg F (k, thermal conductivity) Btu ft/hr ft² deg F Btu/hr ft² deg F (C, thermal conductance) Deg F hr ft²/Btu (R, thermal resistance) Btu/lb deg F (c, heat capacity) Btu/lb deg F Ft²/hr (thermal diffusivity)	0. 1240. 1. 4880* 0. 568 4. 882 1. 761 4. 1868 1. 000* 0. 2581	Kg cal/hr m deg C Kg cal m/hr m ² deg C Milliwatts/cm ² deg C Kg cal/hr m ² deg C Deg C cm ² /milliwatt J/g deg C Cal/gram deg C					
WATER VAPOR TRANSMISSION							
Grains/hr ft ² (water vapor transmission)	0.659	Metric perms					

Table III

OTHER QUANTITIES AND UNITS								
Multiply	Ву	To obtain						
Cubic feet per square foot per day (seepage)	304.8*	Liters per square meter per day						
(viscosity) Square feet per second (viscosity). Fahrenheit degrees (change)*. Volts per mil.	4.8824*	Kilogram second per square meter Square meters per second Celsius or Kelvin degrees (change)* Kilovolts per millimeter						
Lumens per square foot (foot- candles)	10.764	Ohm-square millimeters per meter						
Milliamps per square foot	10.7639*	Milliamps per square meter Liters per square meter						

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