

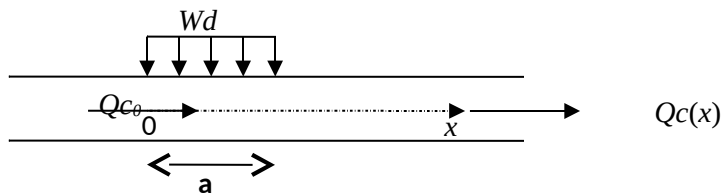


Assignment 2 Solution 2

Environmental modelling (Technische Universiteit Delft)

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1. Consider an advection only polluted water system. This means that there is no dispersion but advection due to presence of flow velocity U [LT^{-1}] ($=Q/A_c$) in the positive x [L] direction. The pollutant loading remains the same, which is a continuous loading W_d [$ML^{-3}T^{-1}$] distributed uniformly over length a [L] from the origin and the pollutant decays with a first order kinetic rate of k [T^{-1}]. The concentration at the origin is c_0 [ML^{-3}]. 1) Formulate the mass balance equation for the system. 2) Solve its steady state concentration profile. 3) Plot the steady state concentration profile for the following characteristics: $c_0 = 16$ mg/L, $Q = 12 \times 10^6$ m³d⁻¹, A_c (cross sectional area) = 2000 m², $k = 0.8$ d⁻¹, $S_d = 15$ gm⁻³d⁻¹ and $a = 8$ km.



Solution:

Conservation of mass equation for $0 \leq x \leq a$ is given by:

$$\frac{\partial c}{\partial x} + \frac{k}{U}c = \frac{W_d}{U}$$

Since loading only starts at $x = a$ and this is an advective system, concentration is 0 for $x < 0$. We therefore only solve for $x \geq 0$.

We first solve for $0 \leq x \leq a$, followed by solution for $x \geq a$.

For $0 \leq x \leq a$:

Complementary solution:-

$$\frac{\partial c}{\partial x} + \frac{k}{U}c = 0$$

Let

$$f = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$

$$\therefore f + \frac{k}{U} = 0$$

$$f = -\frac{k}{U}$$

$$\Rightarrow c_c = c_1 e^{-\frac{k}{U}x}$$

Particular Solution:-

$$y = c_1 y_1(x)$$

Where,

$$y_1(x) = e^{-\frac{k}{U}x}$$

Wronskian,

$$\overline{W} = |y_1|$$

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$$\Rightarrow D_1 = 1 \quad (\text{For } 1 \times 1 \text{ matrix})$$

And let $g(x') = \frac{W_d}{U}$

$$\therefore c_p = y_1 \int_{-\infty}^x \frac{g(x')}{\overline{W}} D_1 dx'$$

$$c_p = e^{-\frac{k}{U}x} \int_0^x \frac{W_d}{U} e^{\frac{k}{U}x'} dx'$$

$$c_p = \frac{W_d}{k}$$

Therefore, general solution is

$$c = c_c + c_p$$

$$\underline{\underline{c = c_1 e^{-\frac{k}{U}x} + \frac{W_d}{k}}}$$

When $x=0$, $c=c_0$. Thus for $0 \leq x \leq a$:

$$c_0 = c_1 + \frac{W_d}{k}$$

$$c_1 = c_0 - \frac{W_d}{k}$$

$$\therefore c = \left(c_0 - \frac{W_d}{k} \right) e^{-\frac{k}{U}x} + \frac{W_d}{k} \quad (1)$$

For $x \geq a$:

Note that there is no loading from this point on. Thus, the particular solution is given by the following.

Then the general solution (here only complementary solution is needed) can be given by:

$$c = c_1 e^{-\frac{k}{U}x}$$

By continuity at $x = a$ and using (1) for concentration at $x = a$ from the left hand side,

$$c_1 e^{-\frac{k}{U}a} = \left(c_0 - \frac{W_d}{k} \right) e^{-\frac{k}{U}a} + \frac{W_d}{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 = \left(c_0 - \frac{W_d}{k} \right) + \frac{W_d}{k} e^{\frac{k}{U}a}$$

Thus, we obtain the solution as:

$$c = \left(c_0 - \frac{W_d}{k} \right) e^{-\frac{k}{U}x} + \frac{W_d}{k} e^{-\frac{k}{U}(x-a)}$$

The following is the plot for the above concentration profiles with given parameters. Note that concentration should be 0 for $x < 0$ for the reasons stated previously.

Steady State Solution for Advection Only Flow

Should be at 0 because loading starts at $x = 0$ and this is advection system only

