

Instructions for computation of in-well time of travel for lowflow sampling

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Files = vbaprogram6.0.1_BETA.xlsm; vbaprogram6.0.1_BETA_forward1.xlsm and associated vba program for pump intake set at midpoint of screen, and vbaprogram5.1.1_BETA_nawqa.xlsm and associated vba program (for pump intake set at top of screen).

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Requirements:

¹Excel 2013

Data solver option in Excel invoked (macro enabled- "*.xlsm").

Introduction

The vba programs to run the analytical model are embedded into the *.xlsm files. There are two main *.xlsm files vbaprogram6.0.1_BETA.xlsm, which contains the module "Module1-run8-regular.bas" with a subroutine name "GetValuel8" and . File vbaprogram6.0.1_BETA.xlsm is used for scenario where the pump intake for both purging and sampling is placed at the middle of the screen. File vbaprogram5.1.1_BETA_nawqa.xlsm, which contains the module "Module1-run9-nawqa.bas" with a subroutine name "GetVal9nw". File vbaprogram5.1.1_BETA.xlsm is used for scenario where the pump intake for both purging and sampling is placed at the top of the screen (bottom of casing). The two types of files differ only by the specification of pump position (parameter called "IP") where one is zero (nawqa) and the other is 1/2 screen (regular) length. It's just one line in the code so it's easy to miss.

The file vbaprogram6.0.1_BETA_forward1.xlsm is used for manual specification of hydraulic conductivity for evaluation of whether vertical flow in the screen is likely to occur. This is determined by specifying a

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BL of 2 ft and a BH = 0, and manually entering a LHK value in ft/d. The result is outputted as either a “0” in row 17, meaning lateral flow by the pump intake can satisfy purge requirements, or a “1” meaning lateral flow by the pump intake cannot satisfy purge requirements.

The *.xslm include multiple sheets that are described below. The operation of the analytical model is discussed in the operation section below.

Contents of *.xslm files

Input/Output sheet

Data are entered into the input column only on the sheet labeled “INPUTSHEET(SOLVER)”. An initial estimate of HK for high and low ranges can be specified, however, values will be recalculated when the excel solver option is invoked.

WORKSHEET FOR ESTIMATION OF LOW FLOW PURGE TIMES FOR WELLS SCREENED IN HETEROGENEOUS AQUIFERS(vBA 0.1_BETA)									
Parameter	Input	Output	Calcs	Assumptions					
Well name	CPTMW03SW		gh= 0.000705 gpm/ft	0.003536768					
Date	12/19/2014		qsw= 0.003251 gpm/ft	0.002829415	qwsp-(qg+qw) or	qwqht**sl-2			
Depth to water (DTW) in ft below ref (No data put 0)	30.75		qsw= 7.8144E-05 gpm/ft	0.003614912	check against h3				
Depth to top of screen (DTS) in ft below ref (no data put 0)	57		>555-5656	0	10	Length of dry section; adj length of screen			
Averaged purge rate (liters/min)	0.1		0.023550 gpm/ft	0.003536768	cf/m				
Well diameter (inches)	4		0.18666 ft	0.087222222	area				
Length (Ls) of screen (ft)	10		ft/m	ft/m					
Drawdown (s) (ft)	0.12		if b7 > eq. 0, then G7, ELSE H7	0.040548935	0.040316343	Piston flow velocities, ACCO UNTS FOR WELL BORE STORAGE ONLY			
Anticipated or actual purging time (mins); observed from previous stabilization data	45		4.094344562	=LN(10/rw)	0.039841582	0.039608989	Piston flow velocities, ACCO UNTS FOR HFLOW BY PUMP INTAKE		
Heterogeneity factor (HF) (x:1 where x = KH, 1 = KL)	1				7.8144E-05	Storage	qw per min		
Highest (HHK) potential Hyd. cond (ft/d)-solver	2.767021877		0.001921543	0.00176838	cf/m	0.000353677	Radial flow eqn. HIGH K; gh; total qw = screen length - 2ft		
Thickness (bh) of high K zone (ft)	5		ft/m	0.050075	l/m		Assume .01 head grad. if drawdown = 0		
Lowest (LHK) potential Hyd. cond (ft/d)-solver	2.767021877		0.001921543	0.00176838	cf/m	0.000707354	Calc RADIAL flow for 2 ft around intake		
Thickness (bl) of low K zone (ft): bh+bl = Ls			ft/m	0.050075	l/m	0.020030025	Assume minimum b = screen length - high k b ft		
Can vertical flow in well occur from purging based on estimated radial flow? (0=NO;1=YES)		1					if PUMP RATE > HFLOW BY MIDPT (2 FT THICK BASED ON LOW K UNIT)		
If drawdown > 0 and vertical flow = no, recalculate radial flow and skip below							IF NO, AND NO DRAWDOWN, WORKSHEET NOT APPLICABLE		
Minimum potential equilibrium purge rate(cf/m), if drawdown observed, this number should be less than the purge rate		0.003536768	0.100150125	L/min			Cumulative radial flow from high and low k zones = PURGE RATE		
Difference between estimated radial flow - purge rate (cf/m); should be a positive number if so		4.51158E-15	1.27754E-13	L/min			Does calculated radial flow > purge rate; if drawdown > 0 then recalculate; for unsteady flow and drawdown, this number should be at least equal to the casing volume /time (rate of well)		
Observed volume from well bore storage (cf)		0.010466667					Drawdown * area of well		
Potential volume from well bore storage based on estimated radial flow (cf)		0							
Maximum vertical well bore velocity (feet/min) with well storage		0.0403					This is maximum vertical velocity - drawdown (well storage)		
Adjusted maximum vertical wellbore velocity		0.0396					This is adjusted vertical velocity - drawdown - horizontal flow at pump intake		
Potential maximum purge time(min)		252.4679					Assume pump intake at midpoint of screen; divide max. by 1/2 to account for flows from top to bottom		
Recommended maximum purge time (min); higher of anticipated or potential		252.4679							
T of well screen		27.67021877					This is the transmissivity of the well screen (summation of low t and high t zones)		
Average k of well screen		2.767021877					This is the average K of the well screen (cumulative T of well screen divided by well screen length)		
Lateral flow radius by pump intake (likely maxim um)		0.369680505					Assumes n = .25		
							1,2,5,10 radii		

The red HHK and LHK cells represent the solver determined best range of hydraulic conductivity for the respective thickness of each layer after running solver. The summation of thicknesses for the low and high HK must equal the length of screen for fully saturated conditions or the partial saturation when depths of water exceed the top of the screen interval (not for manual specification of HK). A parameter called heterogeneity factor serves to constrain ranges in HK.

Critical flags include whether vertical flow occurs (1=yes) based on whether the horizontal inflow for a 2 ft zone around the pump satisfies the purge rate **for manual specification of HK option only** ("forward1.xlsm"). The user can determine the HK needed to accommodate the purge rate under horizontal inflow only by specifying a 0 for the thickness for BH parameter and specifying a 2 for the BL parameter. If the resultant HK is too high based on site geology, vertical flow is likely to be the norm at most wells. When solver is invoked to minimize differences between radial inflow and purge rate (cell c20: "Differences between..."), the vertical flow condition is the default.

Other important output fields include average K of well screen (in red), and potential maximum purge time. The latter is an approximate value; a more precise value is determined by running the excel macro module attached to the excel file (see below).

The last few rows is an approximate calculation of lateral capture of purge water at the pump intake interval as measured along radial distances from the well. This feature is only available from version 6.0.1 and above.

Operation

There is a two step process for running the program as outlined below.

Step 1

The solver program is run on the inputsheet(solver) sheet of the excel file. The solver add-in must be specified in the excel options menu for the program to work. The solver is invoked on the Data Analysis Tab. Use the overwrite function in solver during running.

Solver constraints include the summation of flow from the LHK and HHK must be equal to purge rate (or minimized; field \$C\$20). Other constraints include model layer thicknesses and differences between LHK and HHK based on the heterogeneity factor. The GRG nonlinear solver option with forward derivatives are used.

Solver Parameters

Set Objective:

To: ☐ Max ☐ Min ☒ Value Of:

By Changing Variable Cells:

Subject to the Constraints:

\$B\$14 >= 1

\$B\$15 >= 0.1

\$B\$16 >= 1

\$B\$13 = \$B\$15*\$B\$12

\$C\$16 = \$B\$9

\$C\$19 = \$G\$7

Add

Change

Delete

Reset All

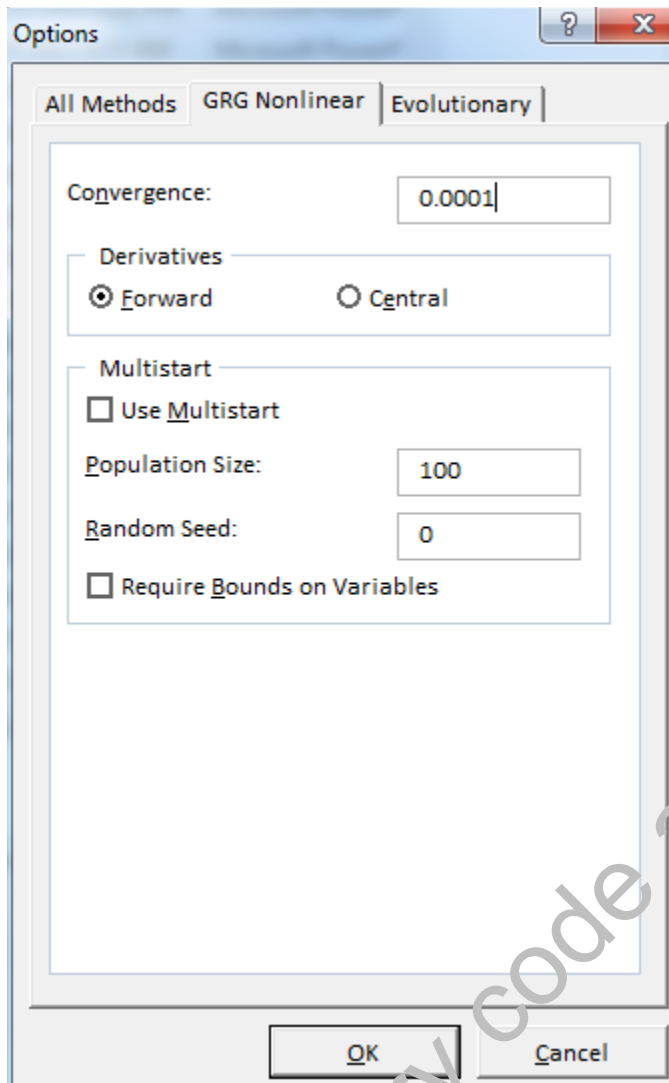
Load/Save

☐ Make Unconstrained Variables Non-Negative

Select a Solving Method:

Solving Method

Select the GRG Nonlinear engine for Solver Problems that are smooth nonlinear. Select the LP Simplex engine for linear Solver Problems, and select the Evolutionary engine for Solver problems that are non-smooth.



Step 2

A vba macro program (module 1) is invoked under the Developer Tab of excel in the *.xlsm file. The program is run on the inputsheet(solver) sheet of the excel file after solver is invoked. The program module calculates horizontal and vertical flow per 1 ft increments across the screen using the solver HK values. Vertical flow is calculated from summation of the horizontal flows away from the pump intake (outside of a 2 ft zone around the pump). The program is applicable when the initial program indicates vertical flow is occurring. Results are printed to the output sheet. [You must clear contents field in gray area on output sheet]. For the regular code where the pump is set at the midpoint, the module subroutine is called GetValue8 and for the nawqa code where the pump is set at the top of the screen it is called GetValue9.

Output sheet and Graphics from Module

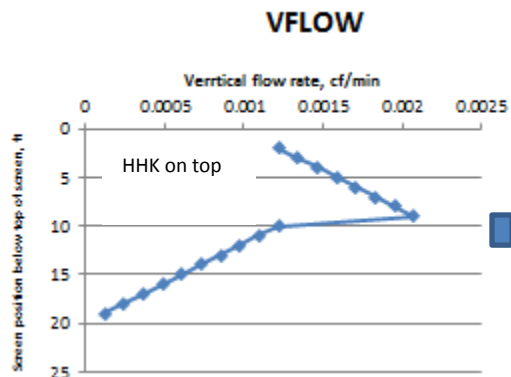
The output sheet lists the results of the macro program. Column A lists screen interval, column b = horizontal inflow rate, column c = vertical flow rate, column d = time of travel for that interval, column e = travel time per layer for a 1 ft thickness, column f = travel time to the pump, column g = time

increment from start of pumping, column h = total inflow from recharged water captured by pump,
column l = fraction of total inflow from recharge (aquifer) that is captured by the pump.

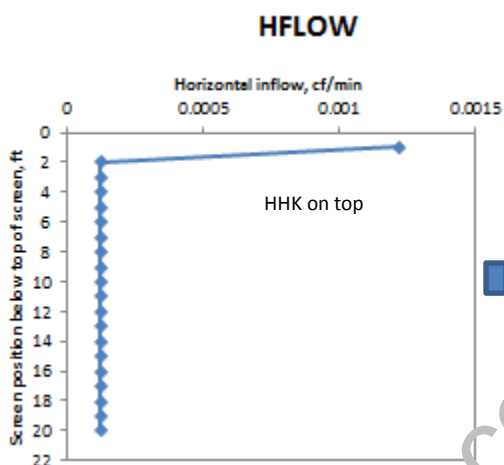
Preliminary code and instructions

Col	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i
1	0.0012					119.07	0	0.0001	0.0345
2	0.0001	0.0012	17.875	17.875	119.07		10	0.0001	0.0345
3	0.0001	0.0013	16.25	34.124	101.2		20	0.0002	0.069
4	0.0001	0.0015	14.895	49.02	84.945		30	0.0004	0.1034
5	0.0001	0.0016	13.75	62.769	70.05		40	0.0005	0.1379
6	0.0001	0.0017	12.768	75.537	56.3		50	0.0007	0.2069
7	0.0001	0.0018	11.916	87.453	43.533		60	0.0009	0.2414
8	0.0001	0.002	11.172	98.625	31.616		70	0.001	0.2759
9	0.0001	0.0021	10.514	109.14	20.445		80	0.0011	0.3103
10	0.0001	0.0012	17.875	505.67	0		90	0.0012	0.3448
11	0.0001	0.0011	19.861	485.81	19.861		100	0.0013	0.3793
12	0.0001	0.001	22.343	463.46	42.204		110	0.0015	0.4138
13	0.0001	0.0009	25.535	437.93	67.739		120	0.0028	0.7931
14	0.0001	0.0007	29.791	408.14	97.53		130	0.0028	0.7931
15	0.0001	0.0006	35.749	372.39	133.28		140	0.0029	0.8276
16	0.0001	0.0005	44.686	327.7	177.97		150	0.0029	0.8276
17	0.0001	0.0004	59.582	268.12	237.55		160	0.0029	0.8276
18	0.0001	0.0002	89.373	178.75	326.92		170	0.0029	0.8276
19	0.0001	0.0001	178.75	0	505.67		180	0.003	0.8621
20	0.0001				505.67		190	0.003	0.8621
							200	0.003	0.8621
							210	0.003	0.8621
							220	0.003	0.8621
							230	0.003	0.8621
							240	0.0032	0.8966
							250	0.0032	0.8966
							260	0.0032	0.8966
							270	0.0032	0.8966
							280	0.0032	0.8966
							290	0.0032	0.8966
							300	0.0032	0.8966
							310	0.0032	0.8966
							320	0.0032	0.8966
							330	0.0033	0.931
							340	0.0033	0.931
							350	0.0033	0.931
							360	0.0033	0.931

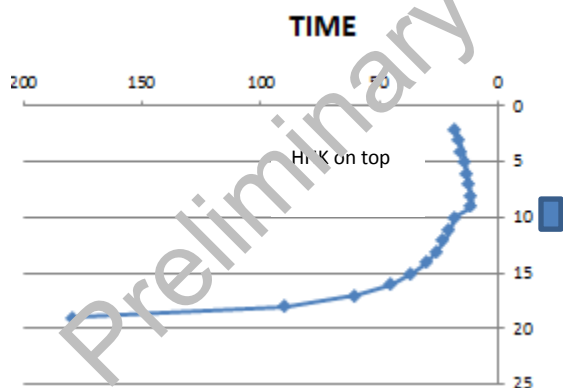
Graphs plotted include the following:



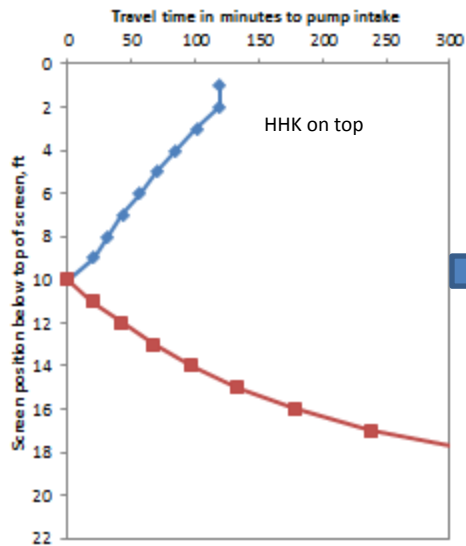
Vertical flow rates increase moving toward pump (blue bar). Faster on top from high HK layer.



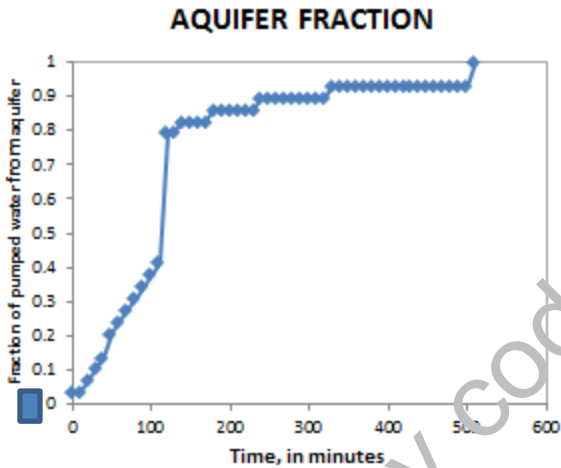
High HK at top of screen from permeable layer.



Time of travel per 1 ft distance by screen interval. Bottom layers slow because no high HK zones are present.



Time of travel to pump from screen intervals. Faster on top from high HK layer.



Amount of purge water capturing recharge water from outside well screen. In early time, most water captured is from water already inside well screen.

If specific conductance data is available, there is a another sheet where that can be entered. The graphic plot is included on the output sheet.

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