



How to become great Chicago Plumbers

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Background

- Why
 - St Patrick's Day
 - Dye Chicago River green
- What
 - Time need to dye the river in different parameters
- How
 - Monte Carlo Simulation



Hypothesis



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01

Different boat speed

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Different dye spreading
strategy

03

Different boat movement

Assumptions of River

- River size: Length 545m, Width 70m, Depth 1m
- The water flow affects diffusion process is based on the flow speed and depth (average depth of 7)
- Diffusion effect has boundaries on both ends of the river
 - Extend the river boundary by 1m on each edge and used the concentration at the boundaries.



Assumptions of Boat

- A small boat and a large boat will spread dye in river.
- The boats carries 45 pounds of dye powder in total
- The velocity of the boats is a constant
- Boats behavior:
 - Straight sailing back and forth along the river
 - Zigzag sailing back and forth along the river
 - Randomized sailing (high intention to low concentration areas)

Assumptions of Dye and Dissolving

- Dye powder dissolves into water instantly
- Dye weight / Concentration **conversion ratio**

$$\text{Concentration (g/m}^3\text{)} = \text{Dye weight} / 100^3 * 1000$$

- Least Visible Dye concentration (LVC)

$$\text{LVC (g/m}^3\text{)} = \text{Total Dye Weight} / (\text{Length} * \text{Width} * \text{Depth}) * 1000$$

- Dye spreading speed

$$\text{Speed} = \text{mean} + \text{white noise}$$



Simplified Variables

- Treat the depth of river as a constant
- Water flow speed in simulation is defined by:

$$V = \text{mean} + \text{white noise}$$

- Ignore bend of the river
- Ignore disturbance of the boat
- Ignore dye decomposition
- Ignore vertical dimension dissolve effect



Randomize Variables

- Diffusion effect through time
- Flow effect on diffusion through time
- Dye spreading speed
- Boats behaviour

Concentration simulation-Diffusion

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial C}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial C}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial C}{\partial z} = D_x \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial x^2} + D_y \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial y^2} + D_z \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial z^2}$$

Diffusion

$$C_{i,j}^{n+1} = s_x C_{i+1,j}^n + s_x C_{i-1,j}^n + s_y C_{i,j+1}^n + s_y C_{i,j-1}^n + (1 - 2s_x - 2s_y) C_{i,j}^n$$

Random variable

$$s_x = \frac{D_x \Delta t}{\Delta x^2}$$

Determine dissimilarity scale with velocity:

$$\frac{u}{u_*} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \ln \left(\frac{z}{k_s} \right) + 8.5 = \frac{1}{\kappa} \ln \left(30 \frac{z}{k_s} \right)$$

$$\langle \epsilon_y \rangle = 0.067 h u_*.$$

$$\langle \epsilon_y \rangle = 9.7 \times 10^{-3}$$

Concentration simulation - Flow effect

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial C}{\partial x} + \cancel{v \frac{\partial C}{\partial y}} + \cancel{w \frac{\partial C}{\partial z}} = D_x \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial x^2} + D_y \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial y^2} + \cancel{D_z \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial z^2}}$$

Flow effect

$$C_{i,j}^{n+1} = \left(\frac{C_{i-1,j}^n - C_{i+1,j}^n}{2\Delta x} \right) \times \Delta t \times u_{i,j}^n$$

Random variable

Velocity: Normal distribution with mean and standard deviation in March on Chicago river



Standard Simulation

- Variable used:
 - 2 boats:
 - Big boat: speed 1.4 m/s, zigzag movement, spread dye with 3m width
 - Small boat: speed 2.8 m/s random movement, spread dye with 1m width
 - 45 pounds of dye
 - Big boat: 5.67 g/s
 - Small boat: 1.89 g/s
 - River size: 70m width X 545m length
- Complete: 95% of the pixels meet visible concentration
- Failure: cannot complete in 2 hours (7200 sec)
- Simulate 100 times
- The average time to dye the river is: 57 minutes and 52 seconds



Demo



Big boat position



Small boat position



Dyed area



Conclusion

- H1: Different faster boat speed would dye the river faster
 - Boats speeds B: 2 m/s; S: 4 m/s
 - The average time to dye the river is: 41 minutes and 49 seconds
- H2: Different spreading strategy
 - Increase dye spreading B: 7.5 g/s; S: 2.5 g/s
 - The average time to dye the river is: 1 hour, 31 minutes and 24 seconds
 - Decrease spreading B: 4.5 g/s; Increase spreading S: 2.1 g/s
 - The average time to dye the river is: 1 hour, 34 minutes and 30 seconds
 - There are 9 simulations fail to cover the river with an average 94.00% coverage rate.
- H3: Different boats movement
 - Change the big boat movement to straight sailing
 - The average time to dye the river is: 42 minutes and 36 seconds

Limitation and Future work

- Limitation
 - Ignore turbulence cause by the boat movement
 - Ignore river bend
 - Ignore dye decomposition
- Future work
 - Improve simulation speed: 15 mins for 100 simulation
 - Add to 3D model
 - Custom boat movement style

Thank You



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