# Simple Water Elevation Transit System

## Adding Water Level Adjustments

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## Motivation

- After transferring a vessel up or down a transit lane, another vessel can be transferred in the same direction in that transit lane. However, water levels need to be adjusted before doing a transfer in the opposite direction in that transit lane.

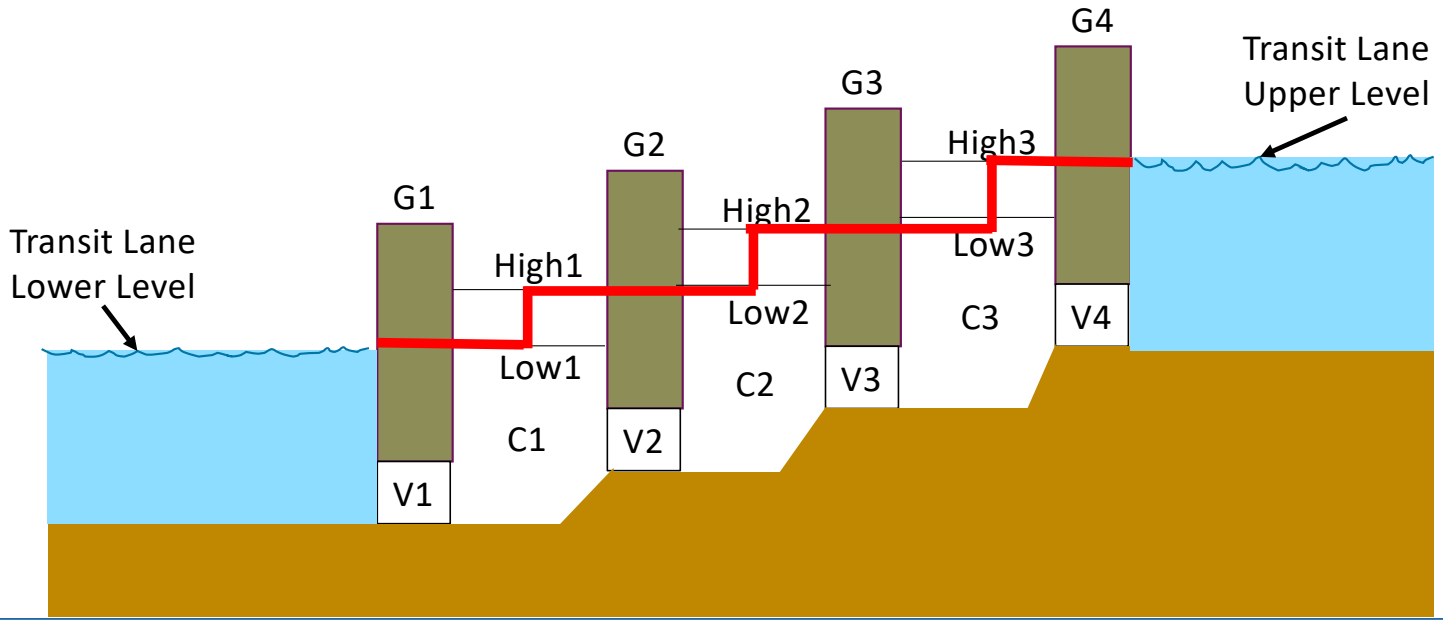
## Today's Considerations

- Review initial requirements for water level adjustments
- Identify an approach to lower and raise a transit lane's water levels
- Look at the impact of that approach on existing models

# Reprise: Multi Lock Transfer

**Observation**

- For a Raise Transfer, the vessel enters each chamber at its Low water level and exits at its High water level
- For a Lower Transfer, the vessel enters each chamber at its High water level and exits it at its Low water level.

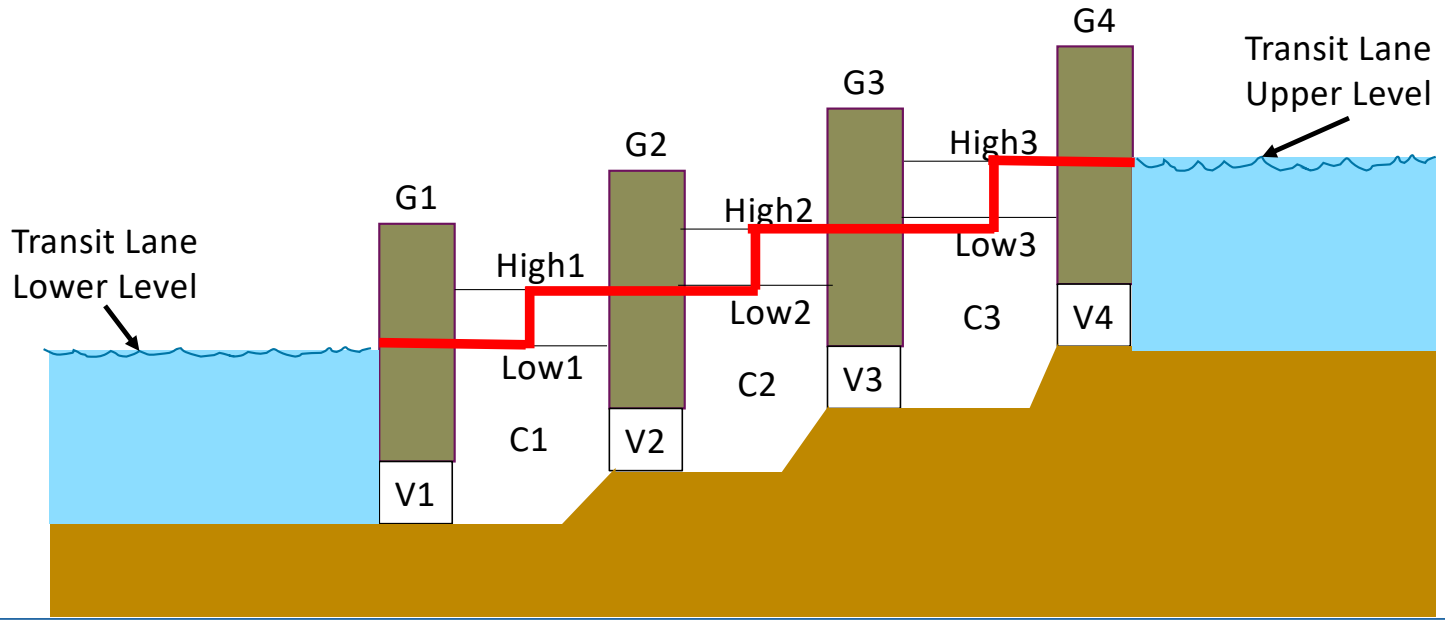


# Reprise: Assumptions for Water Management

**Assumptions**

- Volume C1=C2=C3
- The High minus Low volume is the same for all chambers
- Transit Lane Upper Level has unlimited water supply
- Transit Lane Lower Level has an unlimited water sink

This is just one set of assumptions that meet the criteria for successfully managing water levels. Paul can elaborate other ones.



# Water Levels after a Raise Transfer

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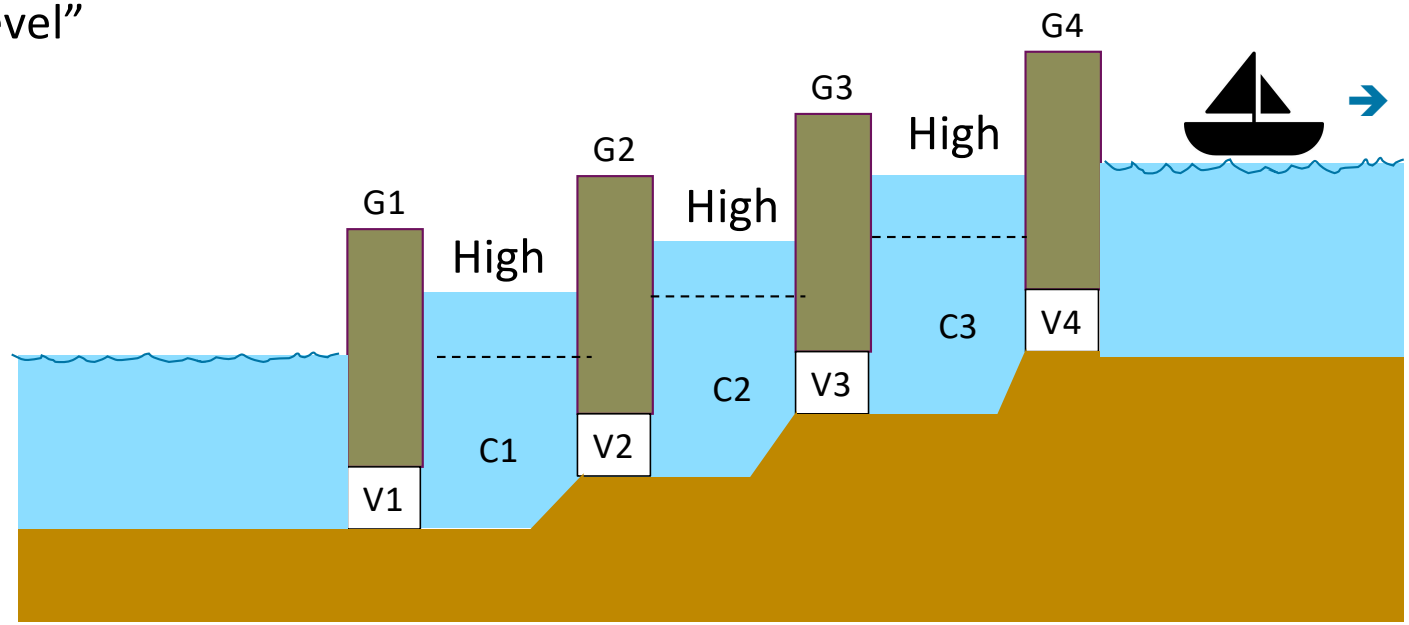
Can raise another vessel in this transit lane, but must lower all the water levels to lower a vessel.



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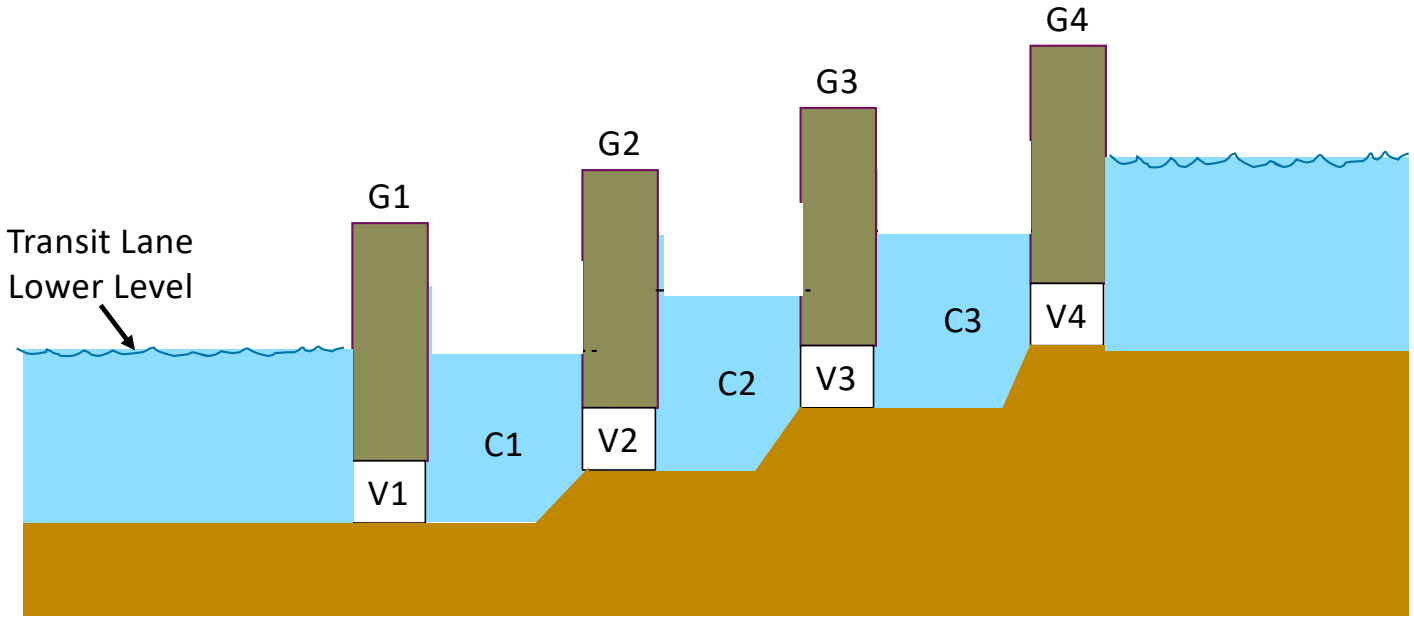

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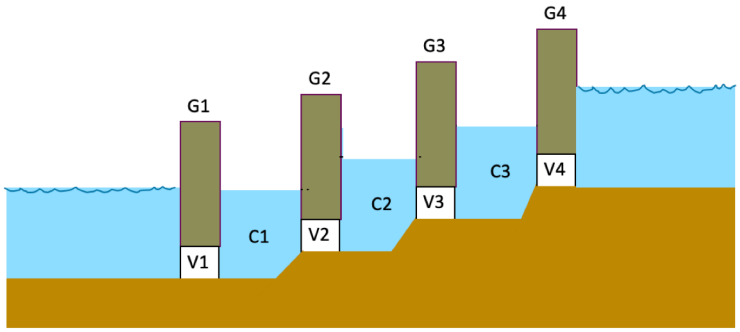


## Step ➔ Details

1. Lower C1 ➔ Open V1, No Flow V1, Close V1
2. Lower C2 ➔ Open V2, No Flow V2, Close V2
3. Lower C1 ➔ Open V1, No Flow V1, Close V1
4. Lower C3 ➔ Open V3, No Flow V3, Close V3
5. Lower C2 ➔ Open V2, No Flow V2, Close V2
6. Lower C1 ➔ Open V1, No Flow V1, Close V1

Clear Pattern

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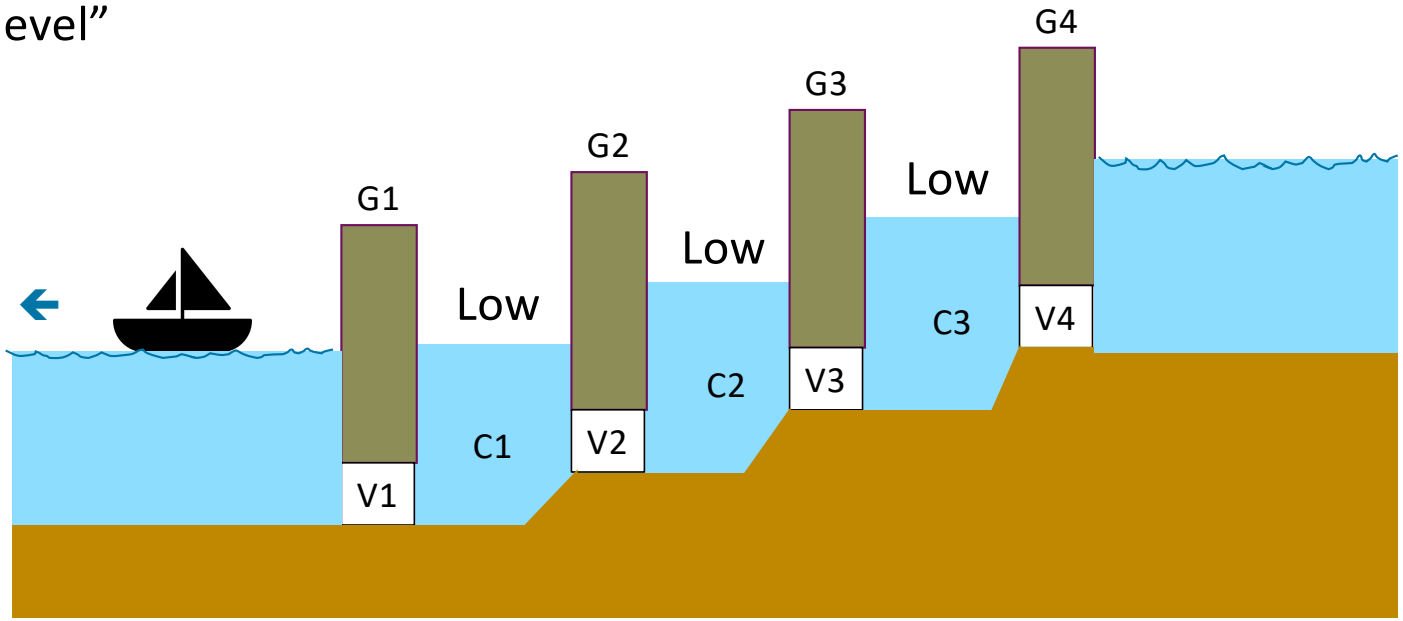
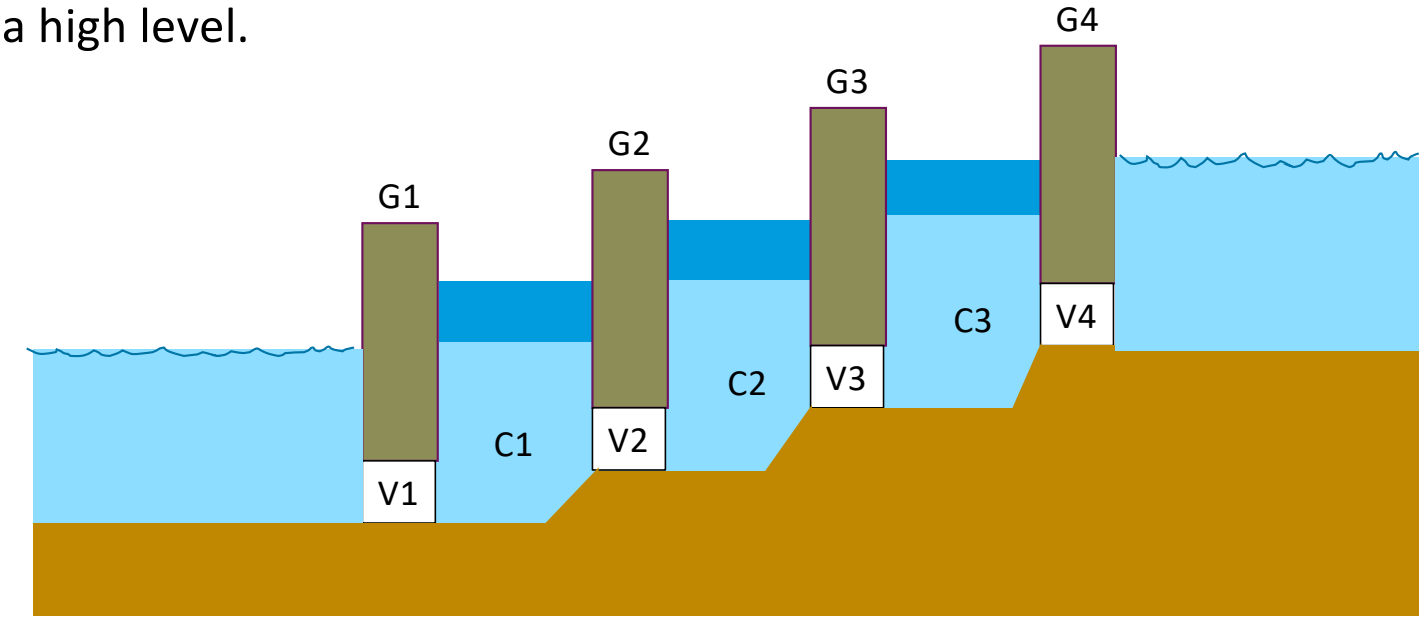


# Water Adjustment: Low Level to High Level

- Cascade enough water from the highest chamber to the lowest chamber to raise it to a high level.
- Repeat first step to the chambers above the one just filled until every chamber is at a high level.



# Operational Steps: Low Level to High Level

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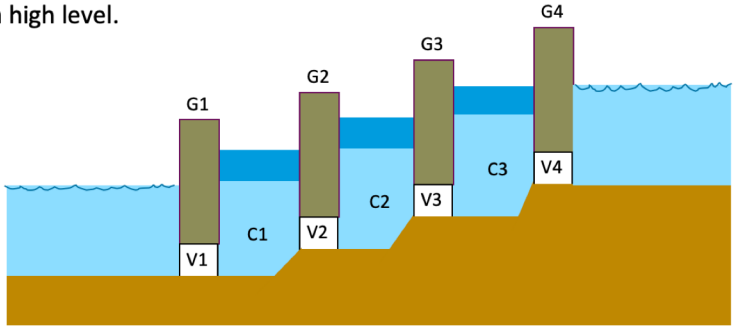


## Step ➔ Details

1. Raise C3 ➔ Open V4, No Flow V4, Close V4
2. Raise C2 ➔ Open V3, No Flow V3, Close V3
3. Raise C1 ➔ Open V2, No Flow V2, Close V2
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# Modeling Approaches

- **Model the pattern in data**
  - create a Level Adjustment Step “spec”
  - loop through “spec” with events to do each raise/lower step
  - Pro: Simple data, simple action language
  - Con: Need to stop the system to service a gate, add “spec” class

- **Model the pattern in algorithm (action language)**
  - 1st step for a raise or lower is known, do it
  - Loop through calculating the next step with events, using the raise/lower pattern and the transit lane gate configuration
  - Pro: Can service a gate without stopping the system, no new classes
  - Con: More complex action language ➔ higher probability for bugs

# Impact on Models for Modeling in Data

- **Information Model:** +1 new class, Adjustment Step
  ➔ Used same modeling pattern as Transit Lane Gate sequencing

- **Wets State Model:** No Change

- **Transit Lane State Model:** +1 state, +1 internal event, +1 external event
  ➔ Used same modeling pattern as vessel transfer

- **Transit Lane Gate State Model: +**3 states, +1 external event
  ➔ Used same modeling pattern as vessel move

- **External Entities:** No Change

No changes to previously existing (re: tested) execution threads

# Questions? Comments?? Suggestions???

# Model Pattern in Algorithm

# Patterns for Action Language Approach

- **Doing a Raise**
  - All drain sequences start at the highest gate
  - First drain sequence stops after lowest gate +1, run 1st drain sequence
  - Increment the gate to stop at, run another sequence
  - End after the next gate to stop at = highest gate

- **Doing a Lower**
  - All sequences stop at the lowest gate
  - First sequence starts at the lowest gate, run 1st drain sequence
  - Increment next gate to start at, run another sequence
  - End after the next gate to start at = highest gate

# Algorithms for Action Language Approach

**Doing a Raise**

```
For (I =lowest gate +1 ; I > highest gate; I++) {
    For (J=highest gate; J < I; J--) {
            Drain Gate (J)
    }
}
```

**Doing a Lower**

```
For (I=lowest gate; I < highest gate; I++) {
    For (J=I; J < lowest gate; --) {
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