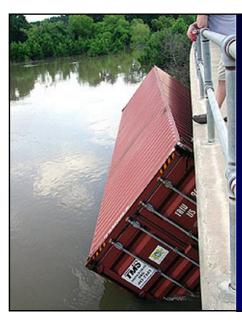
Module 10a: Storm Sewer Design

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Major floods are dramatic and water flow routes must be recognized when minor drainage systems fail. These types of events are not directly addressed by typical storm drainage systems (the minor systems).

A trailer is trapped under a bridge by floodwaters, Houston, TX.

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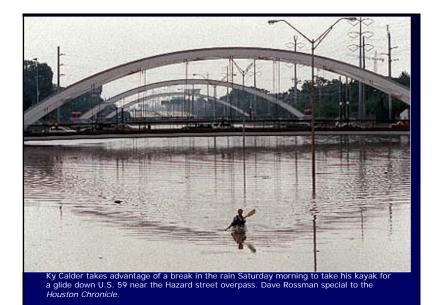


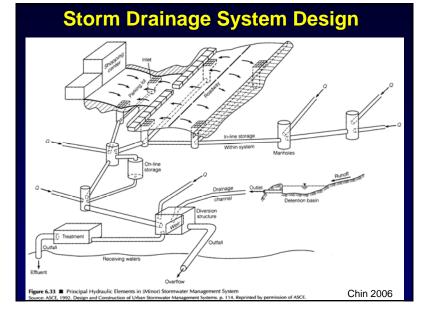
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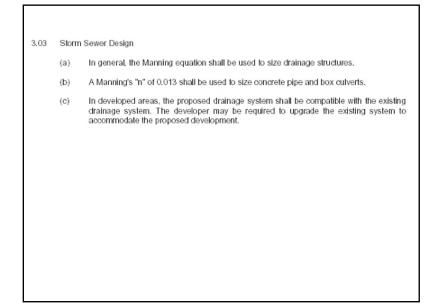
Siren lights on this submerged firetruck are still flashing on the East Loop at I-10. Photo by Paul Carrizales.







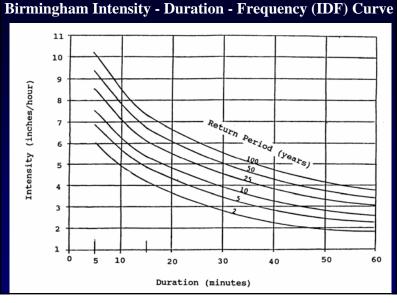
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3. ST(ORM SE	EWERS
3.01	Meth	od of Determining Runoff
	(a)	Storm water runoff may be estimated using any accepted method. The two predominant methods presently in use are the Rational Method and the SCS TR55 method, however, runoff estimation is not limited to either method. The owner's engineer shall be responsible for selecting an appropriate method
	(b)	Storm sewer systems shall be designed based on future land use.
3.02	Retur	n Periods
	(a)	The minimum return period used in the design of storm sewer collection systems shall be the 10 year return period.
	(b)	Box culverts and pipes larger than 60" shall be design using the 25 year return period.



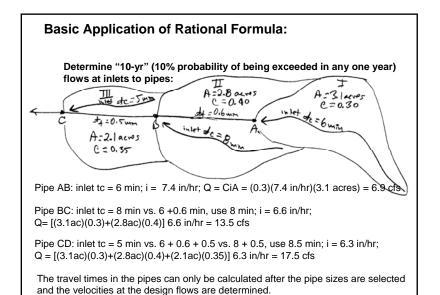
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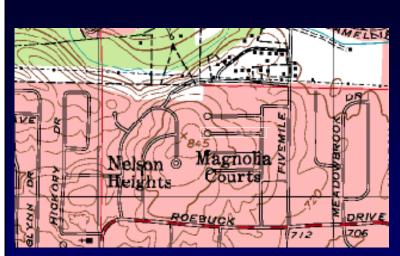
- (e) Storm sewer pipe shall be a minimum of Class 3 reinforced concrete if the storm sewer is to be maintained by the City of Birmingham, is in an easement, and/or passes runoff through a site. Other pipe materials may be used on systems that will not be turned over to the City of Birmingham for maintenance.
- The crowns (inside tops) of pipes shall match wherever practical when changing pipe (f) sizes.
- In general, all drainage structures shall be extended to the limits of the development. (g)
- Box culverts shall be designed for AASHTO HS-20 loading in vehicular traffic areas (h) (existing or potential) and HS-15 loading in all other areas.
- Manholes or inlets shall be placed at changes of direction, changes in grade, junctions (i) with other pipe, where needed to drain an area, or every 400 feet, whichever of these distances is less.
- (j) Manholes, inlets, headwalls, etc., shall comply with the details on file in the Department of Planning, Engineering and Permits.

Pipe Size	Maximum Spacin
38 cm or less	122 m
46 cm to 91 cm	152 m
107 cm or greater	183 m

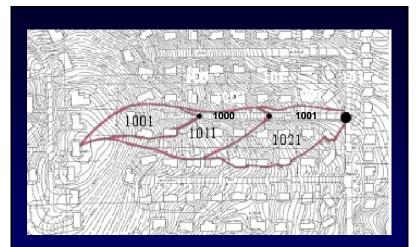


Birmingham Intensity - Duration - Frequency (IDF) Curve





Pat Avenue storm sewer example.



Pat Avenue is located in Birmingham, AL. It consists of three subcatchments, three junctions (nodes) and two conduits (pipes) in a residential area. The water collected during a rainstorm is discharged to a main sewer trunk.

Site Information

Sub- catchment	Area (Acres)	Pipe length (ft)	Slope (ft/ft)	Imperv. (%)
1001	1.07	-	0.084	54
1011	1.09	300	0.093	54
1021	1.43	300	0.072	54

Runoff Coefficients for the Rational Formula for Different Hydrologic Soil Groups (A, B, C, D) and Slope Ranges (from McCuen, Hydrologic Analysis and Design. Prentice-Hall, Inc. 1998)

Land Use		А			В			С			D	
	0– 2%	2–6%	6%+	0– 2%	2–6%	6%+	0– 2%	2–6%	6%+	0– 2%	2–6%	6% +
Residential	0.25ª	0.28	0.31	0.27	0.30	0.35	0.30	0.33	0.38	0.33	0.36	0.42
Lot, 1/8 acre	0.33 ^b	0.37	0.40	0.35	0.39	0.44	0.38	0.42	0.49	0.41	0.45	0.54
Residential	0.22	0.26	0.29	0.24	0.29	0.33	0.27	0.31	0.36	0.30	0.34	0.40
Lot, ¼ acre	0.30	0.34	0.37	0.33	0.37	0.42	0.36	0.40	0.47	0.38	0.42	0.52
Residential	0.19	0.23	0.26	0.22	0.26	0.30	0.25	0.29	0.34	0.28	0.32	0.39
Lot, 1/3 acre	0.28	0.32	0.35	0.30	0.35	0.39	0.33	0.38	0.45	0.36	0.40	0.50
Residential	0.16	0.20	0.24	0.19	0.23	0.28	0.22	0.27	0.32	0.26	0.30	0.37
Lot, ½ acre	0.25	0.29	0.32	0.28	0.32	0.36	0.31	0.35	0.42	0.34	0.38	0.48
Residential	0.14	0.19	0.22	0.17	0.21	0.26	0.20	0.25	0.31	0.24	0.29	0.35
Lot, 1 acre	0.22	0.26	0.29	0.2	0.28	0.34	0.28	0.32	0.40	0.31	0.35	0.46
Commer-	0.71	0.71	0.72	0.71	0.72	0.72	0.72	0.72	0.72	0.72	0.72	0.72
cial	0.88	0.88	0.89	0.89	0.89	0.89	0.89	0.89	0.90	0.89	0.89	0.90

Runoff coefficients for storm recurrence intervals of 25 years or longer

Example of Rational Method Calculation for Area 1001

- Drainage Area (assume: 10-year storm because street is a minor urban street and not a collector street)
 - Drainage Area: 1.07 acres
 - Watershed Slope: 0.084
 - Hydrologic Soil Group C (assume/look up)
 - Land Use Description: 1/2 acre lots
 - Time of Concentration: 10 minutes
- Using $T_c = 10$ minutes, i = 6.4 in/hr for 10-year storm
- Using ½-acre lot size, 6+% slope, C soil, C = 0.32
- Peak Discharge = $Q_n = CiA$ $Q_{p} = (0.32)(6.4 \text{ in/hr})(1.07 \text{ acres}) = 2.19 \text{ cfs}$

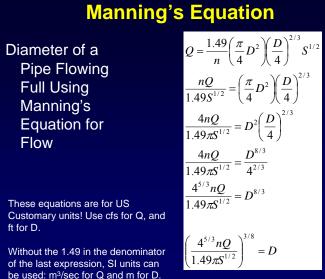
Detailed Site Information

Sub- catchm ent	Area (Acres)	Slope (ft/ft)	Rational C	Inlet Tc (min)	Travel time in pipe (min)	Total Tc (min)	Intensity (in/hr)	Total Q at bottom of area (cfs)
1001	1.07	0.084	0.32	10.0	-	10.0	6.4	2.19
1011	1.09	0.093	0.32	10.0	0.5	10.5	6.2	4.29
1021	1.43	0.072	0.32	10.0	0.5	11.0	6.1	7.25

Tc gets larger and intensity gets smaller as the total drainage area increases

Conduit Information

Conduit	Shape	Slope	Length (ft)	Manning's n
1000	Circular	0.073	300	0.013
1001	Circular	0.053	300	0.013



Storm Sewer Calculations

Conduit	Shape	Slope	Length (ft)	Manning's n	Total Q at end of pipe (cfs)
1000	Circular	0.073	300	0.013	2.19
1001	Circular	0.053	300	0.013	4.29

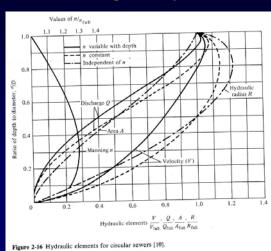
Conduit	Q (cfs)	Calculated D (ft)	Actual D (ft)	Regulated D (ft)	Q _{full} (cfs)
1000	2.19	0.573	0.667	1.5	28.4
1001	4.29	0.792	0.833	1.5	24.2
At outlet	7.25	0.958	1	1.5	24.2

Sewers Flowing Partly Full

From: Metcalf and Eddy, Inc. and George Tchobanoglous. Wastewater Engineering: Collection and Pumping of Wastewater. McGraw-Hill, Inc. 1981.

Flow

ft for D.



Storm Sewer Calculations

Conduit	Q (cfs)	Min. required pipe size (ft)	Q _{full} (cfs)	Q/Q _{full}	d/D
1000	2.19	1.5	28.4	0.077	0.19
1001	4.29	1.5	24.2	0.18	0.29
At outlet	7.25	1.5	24.2	0.30	0.38

Conduit	V/V _{full}	V _{full} (ft/sec)	V at peak flow (ft/sec)	Travel time in pipe (min)
1000	0.59	16.1	9.5	0.5
1001	0.76	13.7	10.4	0.5
At outlet	0.90	13.7	12.3	-

Pipe Sizes

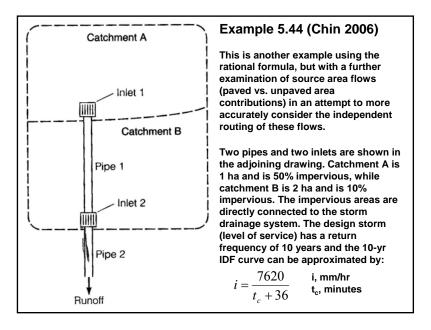
- Minimum size 12 18 inches
- In many locations, the minimum size of a storm sewer pipe is regulated

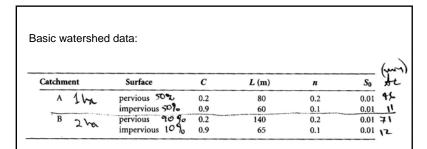
Velocities

- Minimum velocity of 2.0 ft/sec (0.6 m/sec) with flow at ½ full or full depth
- Maximum average velocities of 10-12 ft/sec (2.5-3.0 m/sec) at design depth of flow
- Minimum and maximum velocities may be specified in state and local standards

Slopes

- Sewers with flat slopes may be required to avoid excessive excavation where surface slopes are flat or the changes in elevation are small.
- In such cases, the sewer sizes and slopes should be designed so that the velocity of flow will increase progressively, or at least will be steady throughout the length of the sewer.





The effective rainfall rate ($i_{\rm e}$) is as follows, using the IDF curve equation and the rational formula:

$$i_e = Ci = C \frac{7620}{t_c + 36}$$
$$t_c = 6.99 \frac{(nL)^{0.6}}{i_e^{0.4} S_0^{0.3}}$$

where C is the runoff coefficient. The time of concentration can be estimated using the following equation:

Where n is the Manning's roughness factor for sheetflow conditions, L is the flow length (m) and S_o is the slope of the watershed, as presented in the above data table.

These equations are solved simultaneously to obtain the following time of concentration values for each watershed subarea:

Catchment	Surface	t _c (min)
A	pervious area	46
	impervious area	11
В	pervious	71
	impervious	12

Flows at Inlet 1 and Pipe 1:

Pipe 1 only receives runoff from inlet 1, contributed by catchment A. When the entire catchment A is contributing flow, the time of concentration is 46 minutes (the time needed for both the pervious and impervious areas to be fully contributing). The average rainfall rate corresponding to this time of concentration is therefore 92.9 mm/hr (or 2.58 x 10^{-5} m/sec). The areaweighted runoff coefficient is:

 $\overline{C} = 0.5(0.9) + 0.5(0.2) = 0.55$

Since the area of the catchment is 1 ha (10,000 m²), the peak runoff rate, Q_n , can be calculated using the rational formula as:

$$Q_p = \overline{C}iA = (0.55)(2.58x10^{-5} m/s)(10,000m^2) = 0.142m^3/s$$

However, the impervious area should be examined alone, as it may produce a greater peak flow rate than the whole averaged area. This recognizes the separate routing of flows from these greatly different subareas. The time of concentration of the impervious area in catchment A is 11 minutes, and the corresponding rainfall rate averaged for that duration is 162 mm/hr (4.5 x 10⁻⁵ m/sec). The impervious area runoff coefficient is 0.9 and the area is 0.5 ha (5,000 m²). Therefore, the peak runoff rate, Q_n, can be calculated as:

$$Q_p = \overline{C}iA = (0.9)(4.50x10^{-5} m/s)(5,000m^2) = 0.203m^3/s$$

This calculated peak runoff rate for the impervious areas alone is therefore greater than the peak runoff rate calculated for the whole catchment averaged conditions, and is therefore controlling. The flow to be handled in Pipe 1 is therefore 0.203 m³/sec.

Flows at Inlet 2:

When the entire catchment B is contributing flow, the inlet time of concentration is 71 minutes. The corresponding averaged rainfall rate for this duration is 71.2 mm/hr (1.98 x 10^{-5} m/sec) and the area-weighted runoff coefficient is:

$$\overline{C} = 0.1(0.9) + 0.9(0.2) = 0.27$$

The catchment B area is 2 ha (20,000 m²) and the peak runoff rate is therefore:

$$Q_p = \overline{C}iA = (0.27)(1.98x10^{-5} m/s)(20,000m^2) = 0.107m^3/s$$

The impervious area alone has a time of concentration of 12 minutes, and the corresponding averaged rainfall rate for that period is 159 mm/hr (4.41 x 10^{-5} m/sec). The impervious area runoff coefficient is 0.9 and the area is 0.2 ha (2,000 m²). The peak runoff rate just from the impervious area component of catchment B is therefore:

$$Q_p = \overline{C}iA = (0.9)(4.41x10^{-5} m/s)(2,000m^2) = 0.079m^3/s$$

In this case, the peak flow is greater when the whole catchment conditions are averaged, and the peak flow at inlet 2 is therefore 0.107 m³/sec.

Flow in Pipe 2:

The peak flow for pipe 2 must consider several alternatives. The first case considers the entire 3 ha (30,000 m²) area of catchments A plus B averaged together (a common way of applying the rational formula, as previously illustrated). The time of concentration for catchment A contributions is the inlet time of concentration of 46 min., plus the travel time of the flow in pipe 1, here assumed to be 2 min. This potential time of travel path therefore totals 48 minutes. This is compared to the inlet time of concentration of catchment B which is 71 min. The 71 min. pathway is therefore the longest and is the time of concentration. The corresponding rainfall rate averaged for this period is 71.2 mm/hr (1.98 x 10^{-6} m/sec). The area-weighted runoff coefficient is therefore:

$$\overline{C} = \frac{1}{3} [(0.5 + 0.2)(0.9) + (0.5 + 1.8)(0.2)] = 0.36$$

and the peak runoff rate is calculated as:

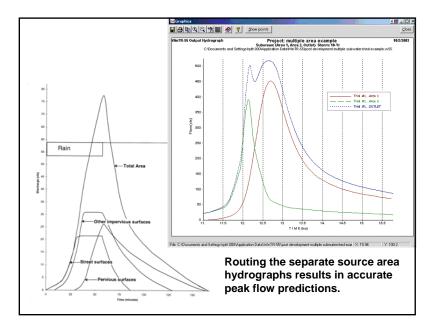
$$Q_p = \overline{C}iA = (0.36)(1.98x10^{-5} m/s)(30,000m^2) = 0.214m^3/s$$

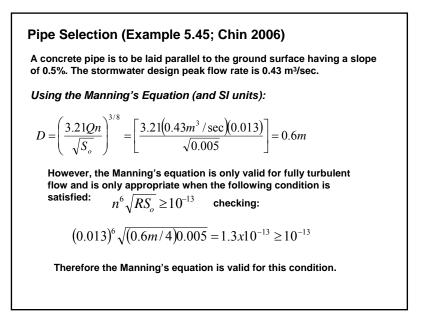
Considering the impervious areas of catchments A and B alone, the area is 0.7 ha (7,000 m²) and the time of concentration is 13 min. (the 11 min. time of conc. for the impervious areas in catchment A plus the 2 min. travel time in Pipe 1 vs. the 12 min. time of concentration for the impervious areas in catchment B). The corresponding rainfall rate averaged for this time is 156 mm/hr (4.32 x 10^{-5} m/sec), the runoff coefficient is 0.9, and the rational formula provides the peak runoff rate:

$$Q_p = \overline{C}iA = (0.9)(4.32x10^{-5} m/s)(7,000m^2) = 0.272m^3/s$$

Therefore, the peak flows using the impervious areas alone are controlling for Pipe 2.

In reality, it is likely that the most critical condition would be associated with a combination of conditions, possibly using the impervious area data from catchment A and the entire area from catchment B. It is not easy to tell unless a complete hydrograph routing method that examines the separate subareas is used, such as WinTR-55 for the major drainage areas (or surface drainage), or SWMM5 for any condition. Recall that with WinTR-55, it is necessary to separate subcatchments that differ by a CN of 5, or greater, in each subwatershed.





The velocity in the pipe is:

$$V = \frac{Q}{A} = \frac{0.43m^3 / \sec}{\frac{\pi}{4}(0.6m)^2} = 1.52m / \sec$$

This velocity exceeds the minimum velocity necessary to prevent deposition (the minimum is usually considered to be 0.6 to 0.9 m/sec) and is less than the maximum velocity to prevent excess scour (the maximum is usually considered to be 3 to 4.5 m/sec).

Therefore, the selected pipe should be the next commercially available pipe size larger than 60 cm.

Darcy-Weisbach Equation (used if fully turbulent flow conditions are not satisfied):

$$D = \left(\frac{0.811 fQ^2}{gS_o}\right)^{1/5} = \left[\frac{0.811(0.020)(0.43m^3/\text{sec})^2}{(9.81m/\text{sec}^2)(0.005)}\right] = 0.57m$$

The friction factor, f, is assumed to be 0.020, a typical value, for this first trial. The 0.57 m pipe with this discharge has the following velocity:

$$V = \frac{Q}{A} = \frac{0.43m^3 / \sec}{\frac{\pi}{4}(0.57m)^2} = 1.69m / \sec$$

The concrete equivalent sand roughness factor, k_s , is in the range of 0.3 to 3.0 mm, and is assumed to be 1.7 mm for this example. With a water temperature of 20°C, the kinematic viscosity is 1.00 x 10⁻⁶ m/sec². The Reynolds number is therefore:

$$\operatorname{Re} = \frac{VD}{v} = \frac{(1.69m/\operatorname{sec})(0.57m)}{1.00x10^{-6}m/s^2} = 9.63x10^5$$

The Jain approximation of the Colebrook equation can be used to estimate *f*:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{f}} = -2\log\left[\frac{k_s/D}{3.7} + \frac{5.74}{\text{Re}^{0.9}}\right] = -2\log\left[\frac{1.7mm/57mm}{3.7} + \frac{5.74}{(9.63x10^5)^{0.9}}\right] = 6.16$$

which leads to: f = 0.0263. Since this differs from the initial estimated f of 0.020, the above computations need to be repeated. The following table summarizes the results from the initial calculations and the next (and final) calculations:

Assumed f	D (m)	V (m/s)	Re	Computed f
0.020	0.57	1.69	9.63×10^5	0.0263
0.0263	0.60	1.52	9.12×10^5	0.0263

Therefore, the Darcy-Weisbach equation also requires that the pipe be at least 60 cm in diameter.

Manhole Head Losses:

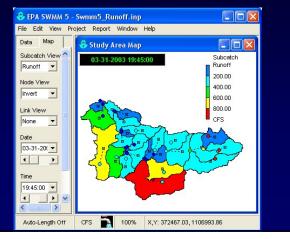
The manholes placed along the pipe will each cause a head loss, h_m:

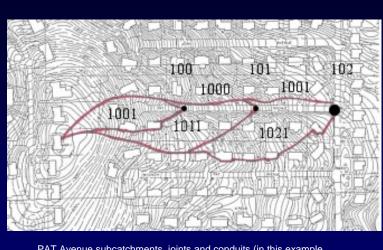
$$h_m = K_c \frac{V^2}{2g} = 0.22 \frac{(1.52m/s)^2}{2(9.81m/sec^2)} = 0.026m$$

 $\rm K_c$ is between 0.12 and 0.32 for pipes opposite each other in manholes, and the average value of 0.22 is used in the above example, along with the velocity value calculated with the Darcy-Weisbach equation. This head loss can be reduced with careful grouting of the bottom of the manholes making smooth transitions between the pipe segments. Otherwise, the down-gradient pipe must be lowered about 1 inch to account for this headloss.

Getting Started with Storm and Sanitary Drainage Analysis using SWMM5 (Beta-E 01/23/04)

The model can be downloaded by going to the EPA web site: http://www.epa.gov/ednnrmrl/swmm/





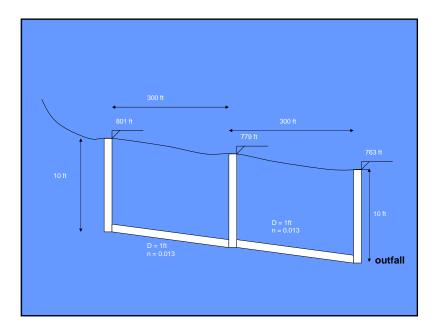
PAT Avenue subcatchments, joints and conduits (in this example, another link, 1003, was created to allow all subwatershed flows to be combined before the outfall junction, now 103).

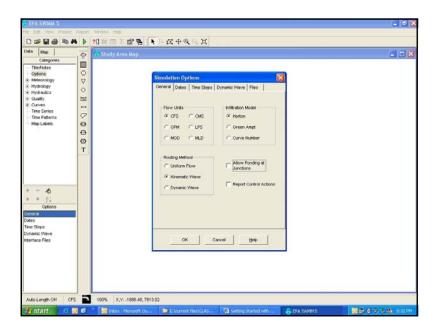
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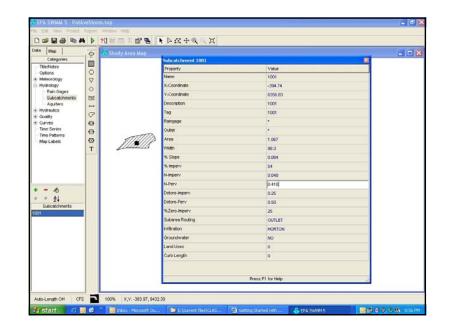
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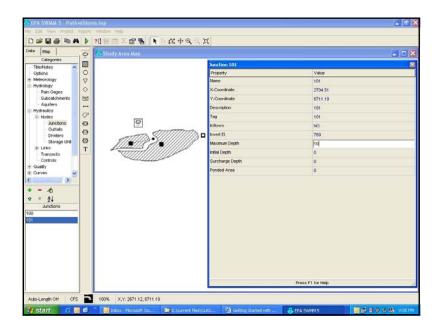
Junction	Invert Elevation (ft)	Maximum Depth (ft)	Initial Depth (ft)	Surcharge Depth (ft)	Ponded Area (ft²)
100	791	10	0	0	0
101	769	10	0	0	0
102	753	10	0	0	0
103 (Outfall)	745	n/a	0	0	0

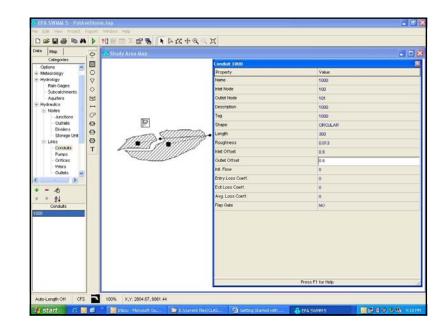
Conduit	Shape	Dia	ameter (ft)	Length (ft)	n Manning	Inlet invert height offset (ft)
1000	Circular		1	300	0.013	0.5
1001	Circular		1	300	0.013	0.5
1003	Circular		1	100	0.013	0.5
Conduit	Outlet invo height offs (ft)	set	Initial flow (cfs)	Entry loss coefficient	Exit loss coefficient	Average loss
1000	0.5		0	0	0	0
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1001	0.5		0	0	0	Ŭ

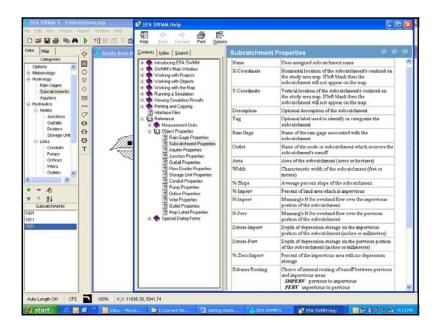


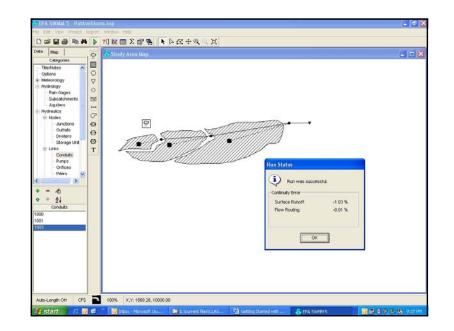




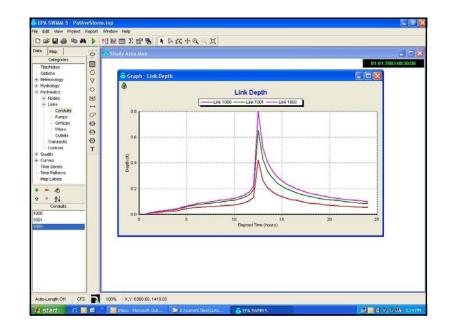


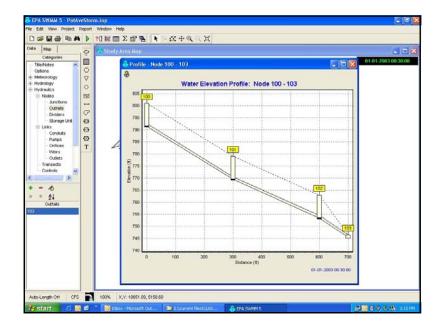


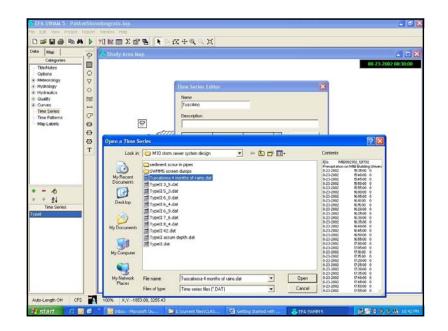


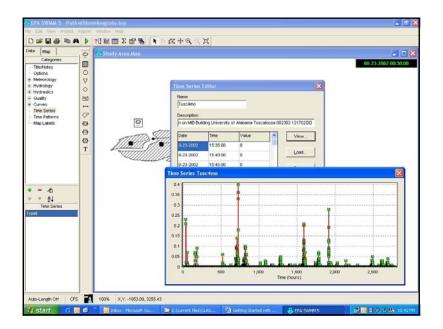


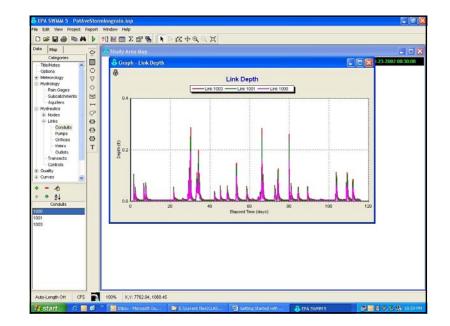
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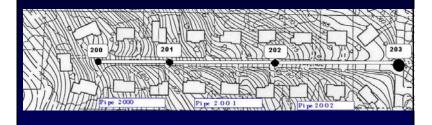








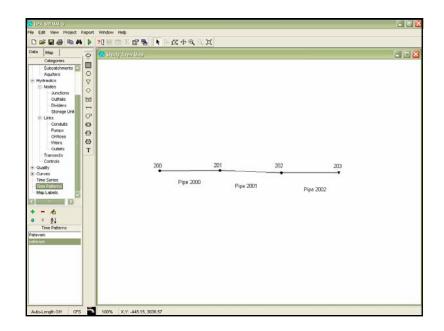
"Hello World" Pat Avenue Sanitary Drainage Design Example



Junction (Node)	Area Served (ac)	# Apt. Build- ings	Population (32 people / building)	Water Use (150 gal / day)	Daily Wastewater Flow (90% of water used)	Sewage (cfs)
200	0.98	3	96	14400	12960	0.020
201	1.63	5	160	24000	21600	0.033
202	2.18	6	192	28800	25920	0.040
203	2.00	4	128	19200	17280	0.027

Junction	Invert Elevation (ft)	Maximum Depth (ft)	Initial Depth (ft)	Surcharge Depth (ft)	Ponded Area (ft ²)
200	807	13	0	0	0
201	788	13	0	0	0
202	766	13	0	0	0
203 (Outfall)	750	n/a	0	0	0

Conduit	s	hape		neter ft)	Ι	Length (ft)	n I	Manning	let invert ight offset (ft)
2000	Ci	ircular		1		200		0.013	0.5
2001	Ci	ircular		1		300		0.013	0.5
2002	Ci	ircular		1		300		0.013	0.5
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Description								
AM Pat	Avenue P	attern						
Multipliers	s							
12 AM	1 AM	2 AM	3 AM	4 AM	5 AM			
68	57	49	75	1	132			
6 AM	7 AM	8 AM	9 AM	10 AM	11 AM			
170	208	198	151	94	75			
	ж	Car	ncel	He	elp			

