## Design of Sanitary Sewer System

## Key components

Service connections, Manholes and pump stations

## Design Flows

1. Infiltration and interflow ( 71 to $140 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{d} / \mathrm{km}$ )
2. Flow from the service connections

| Type of Area | Density (persons/ha) |
| :---: | :---: |
| Large lots | $5-7$ |
| Small lots, single family | 75 |
| Small lots, two family | 125 |
| Multistory apartments | 2500 |

Design period: usually of the order of 50 years
Variation in flow

$$
\frac{Q_{\text {peak }}}{Q_{\text {ave }}}=\frac{5.5}{(P / 1000)^{0.18}}, \quad \frac{Q_{\min }}{Q_{\text {ave }}}=0.2(P / 1000)^{0.16}
$$

$P=$ population of the service area

Example: You are required to estimate the peak and minimum sewage flows for a town having an area of 2500 ha. The residential area is $60 \%$ of the total area, whereas commercial and industrial areas are $30 \%$ and $10 \%$ of the total area, respectively. Of the residential area, $40 \%$ are large lots, $55 \%$ small single-family lots and $5 \%$ multistory apartments. The wastewater from the residential area is estimated to be 800 Lpcd . The sewage from commercial and industrial areas is estimated to be $25000 \mathrm{~L} / \mathrm{ha} / \mathrm{d}$ and 40000 L/ha/d, respectively.

| Type | Area(ha) | Density <br> (persons/ha) | Population | Flow <br> $\left(\mathbf{m}^{\mathbf{3} / \mathbf{s})}\right.$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Large lots | $0.4(1500)=600$ | 6 | 3,600 | 0.03 |
| Small single family <br> lots | $0.55(1500)=825$ | 75 | 61,875 | 0.57 |
| Multistory <br> apartments | $0.05(1500)=75$ | 2500 | 187,500 | 1.74 |
| Total |  |  | $\mathbf{2 5 2 , 9 7 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 . 3 4}$ |

Commercial sector $=30 \%$ of 2500 ha $=750$ ha Average flow from commercial sector $=750 \times 25,000 \mathrm{~L} / \mathrm{d}=0.22 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}$

Industrial sector $=10 \%$ of $2500 \mathrm{ha}=250$ ha
Average flow from industrial sector $=250 \times 40,000 \mathrm{~L} / \mathrm{d}=0.12 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}$
Thus,
Average wastewater flow (excluding $\mathrm{I} / \mathrm{I}$ ) $=2.34+0.22+0.12=2.68 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}$
Assuming total population is equal to residential population, i.e.

$$
\mathrm{P}=252,975
$$

Then,

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \frac{Q_{\text {peak }}}{Q_{\text {ave }}}=\frac{5.5}{(P / 1000)^{0.18}}=\frac{5.5}{(252.975)^{0.18}}=2.0 \\
& \frac{Q_{\min }}{Q_{\text {ave }}}=0.2(P / 1000)^{0.16}=0.2(252.975)^{0.16}=0.48
\end{aligned}
$$

Hence,
Peak flow $=$ Peak factor x wastewater $+\mathrm{I} / \mathrm{I}=2.0(2.68)+0.03=5.39 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}$
Minimum flow $=0.48(2.68)+0.03=1.32 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}$

## Hydraulics of Sewers

Minimum velocity (self-cleansing velocity) $=0.6 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$
Maximum velocity $=3.5 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$
Minimum pipe diameter $=150 \mathrm{~mm}$.
Sanitary sewers up to 375 mm diameter should be designed to run half full.
Larger pipes may run three-fourths full.

## The design problem

## Given:

1. Discharge, $Q$
2. Pipe Diameter, $D$
3. Pipe slope, $S_{0}$

## Determine:

1. Depth of flow, $h$
2. Minimum velocity, $V_{\text {min }}$
3. Maximum velocity, $V_{\max }$

$h=\frac{D}{2}\left[1-\cos \left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\right]$
$A=D^{2}\left[\frac{\theta-\sin \theta}{8}\right]$
$P=\frac{D \theta}{2}$
$Q=\frac{A}{n}\left[\frac{A}{P}\right]^{2 / 3} S_{0}^{1 / 2}$
Combining these equations we get

$$
\frac{(\theta-\sin \theta)^{5 / 3}}{\theta^{2 / 3}}-\frac{20.16 n Q}{D^{8 / 3} S_{0}^{1 / 2}}=0
$$

After solving it by trials we can compute $A$ and then, $V=\frac{Q}{A}$

If $V<V_{\min }$, reduce the diameter to achieve $V \geq V_{\text {min }}$

If diameter is the minimum $(150 \mathrm{~mm})$, put $V=V_{\text {min }}$ and find the slope of the pipe from the Manning's equation.

| Table 4.25 Available Sizes of Concrete Pipe | Nonreinforced pipe |  | Reinforced Pipe |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Diameter (mm) | Diameter (in.) | $\underline{\text { Diameter (mm) }}$ | Diameter (in.) |
|  | 100 | 4 | - | - |
|  | 150 | 6 | - | - |
|  | 205 | 8 | - | - |
|  | 255 | 10 | - | - |
|  | 305 | 12 | 305 | 12 |
|  | 380 | 15 | 380 | 15 |
|  | 455 | 18 | 455 | 18 |
|  | 535 | 21 | 535 | 21 |
|  | 610 | 24 | 610 | 24 |
|  | 685 | 27 | - 685 | 27 |
|  | 760 | 30 | 760 | 30 |
|  | 840 | 33 | 840 | 33 |
|  | 915 | 36 | 915 | 36 |
|  | - | - | 1,065 | 42 |
|  | - | - | 1,220 | 48 |
|  | - | - | 1,370 | 54 |
|  | - | - | 1,525 | 60 |
|  | - | - | 1,675 | 66 |
|  | - | - | 1,830 | 72 |
|  | - | - | 1,980 | 78 |
|  | - | - | 2,135 | 84 |
|  | - | - | 2,285 | 90 |
|  | - | - | 2,440 | 96 |
|  | - | - | 2,590 | 102 |
|  | - | - | 2,745 | 108 |

Example: Determine the average velocity in a trunk sewer made of concrete ( $\mathrm{n}=0.015$ ) having 1500 mm diameter laid on a slope of $1 \%$. The peak discharge through the pipe is estimated to be $4000 \mathrm{~L} / \mathrm{s}$.

Given:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& n=0.015, \quad Q=4 m^{3} / \mathrm{s}, S_{0}=0.01, D=1.5 \mathrm{~m} \\
& \frac{(\theta-\sin \theta)^{5 / 3}}{\theta^{2 / 3}}-\frac{20.16(0.015)(4)}{(1.5)^{8 / 3}(0.01)^{1 / 2}}=0
\end{aligned}
$$

By trials,

$$
\theta=3.5 \text { radian }
$$

Therefore,

$$
\begin{aligned}
& h=\frac{D}{2}\left[1-\cos \left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\right]=\frac{1.5}{2}\left[1-\cos \left(\frac{3.5}{2}\right)\right]=0.88 m \\
& A=D^{2}\left[\frac{\theta-\sin \theta}{8}\right]=1.5^{2}\left[\frac{3.5-\sin 3.5}{8}\right]=1.08 \mathrm{~m}^{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

The average flow velocity in the sewer is given by
$V=\frac{Q}{A}=\frac{4}{1.08}=3.7 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$

## Sewer Pipe Material

Rigid Pipes: Concrete, Cast iron, Vitrified clay
Flexible pipes: Ductile iron, Steel, PVC
Advantages and disadvantages of each category

## Typical Manholes



## Sulfide Generation

$Z=0.308 \frac{E B O D}{S_{0}^{0.5} Q^{0.33}} \times \frac{P}{B}$
$E B O D=B O D \times 1.07^{T-20}$
$B O D={ }_{5}$-day biochemical oxygen demand
$S_{0}=$ Slope of the pipe
$Q=$ Discharge through the pipe
$P, B=$ wetted perimeter and top width of the flow, respectively.

| Z values | Sulfide Condition |
| :---: | :--- |
| $Z<5,000$ | Sulfide rarely generated |
| $5,000<Z<10,000$ | Marginal condition for sulfide generation |
| $Z>10,000$ | Sulfide generation common |

Example: Check the potential for sulfide generation in the trunk sewer of the previous example, if 5-day BOD of the sewage is measured as $1600 \mathrm{mg} / \mathrm{L}$ and the ambient temperature in the sewer is $30^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.

## Solution:

$$
E B O D=B O D \times 1.07^{T-20}=1600 \times 1.07^{10}=3147.44
$$

$$
P=\frac{D \theta}{2}=\frac{1.5 \times 3.5}{2}=2.625 \mathrm{~m}
$$

$$
B=\frac{D}{2} \sin \left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)=\frac{1.5}{2} \times \sin \left(\frac{3.5}{2}\right)=0.738 m
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
Z & =0.308 \frac{E B O D}{S_{0}^{0.5} Q^{0.33}} \times \frac{P}{B}=0.308 \frac{3147.44}{0.01^{0.5} 4^{0.33}} \times \frac{2.625}{0.738} \\
& =21822>10000
\end{aligned}
$$

So, sulfide generation will be common in the sewer.

## Design Computations



Example A sewer system is to be designed to service the area shown in the following Figure. The average per capita wastewater flow-rate is estimated to be $320 \mathrm{~L} / \mathrm{d} /$ person, and the infiltration and inflow (I/I) is estimated to be $70 \mathrm{~m}^{3} / \mathrm{d} / \mathrm{km}$. The sewer system is to join an existing main sewer at manhole MH 5, where the average wastewater flow is 0.37 $\mathrm{m}^{3} / \mathrm{s}$, representing the contribution of approximately 100,000 people.
The I/I contribution to the flow in the main sewer at MH 5 is negligible, and the main sewer at MH 5 is $1,065 \mathrm{~mm}$ in diameter, has an invert elevation of 55.35 m , and is laid on a slope of $0.9 \%$. The layout of the sewer system shown in the figure is based on the topography of the area, and the pipe lengths, contributing areas, and ground-surface elevations are shown in the table.
Design the sewer system between A Street and C Street for a saturation density of 150 persons/ha. Municipal guidelines require that the sewer pipes have a minimum cover of 2 m , a minimum slope of $0.08 \%$, a peak flow factor of 3.0 , a minimum flow factor of 0.5 , and a minimum allowable pipe diameter of 150 mm .


| Line no. <br> (1) | Location <br> (2) | Manhole no. |  | Length (m) <br> (5) | Contributing area (ha) <br> (6) | Ground surface elevation |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Upper |  | Lower |
|  |  | From <br> (3) | To <br> (4) |  |  | (m) <br> (28) | (m) <br> (29) |
| 0 | Main Street | - | 5 |  | - | - | - | 60.04 |
| 1 | A Street | 1 | 2 | 53 | 0.47 | 65.00 | 63.80 |
| 2 | A Street | 2 | 3 | 91 | 0.50 | 63.80 | 62.40 |
| 3 | A Street | 3 | 5 | 100 | 0.44 | 62.40 | 60.04 |
| 4 | A Street | 4 | 5 | 89 | 0.90 | 61.88 | 60.04 |
| 5 | Main Street | 5 | 12 | 69 | 0.17 | 60.04 | 60.04 |
| 6 | B Street | 6 | 8 | 58 | 0.43 | 65.08 | 63.20 |
| 7 | P Avenue | 7 | 8 | 50 | 0.48 | 63.60 | 63.20 |
| 8 | B Street | 8 | 10 | 91 | 0.39 | 63.20 | 62.04 |
| 9 | Q Avenue | 9 | 10 | 56 | 0.88 | 62.72 | 62.04 |
| 10 | B Street | 10 | 12 | 97 | 0.45 | 62.04 | 60.04 |
| 11 | B Street | 11 | 12 | 125 | 0.90 | 61.88 | 60.04 |
| 12 | Main Street | 12 | 19 | 75. | 0.28 | 60.04 | 60.20 |
| 13 | C Street | 13 | 15 | 57 | 0.60 | 64.40 | 62.84 |
| 14 | P Avenue | 14 | 15 | 53 | 0.76 | 63.24 | 62.84 |
| 15 | C Street | 15 | 17 | 97 | 0.51 | 62.84 | 61.60 |
| 16 | Q Avenue | 16 | 17 | 63 | 0.94 | 62.12 | 61.60 |
| 17 | C Street | 17 | 19 | 100 | 0.46 | 61.60 | 60.20 |
| 18 | C Street | 18 | 19 | 138 | 1.41 | 61.92 | 60.20 |
| 19 | Main Street | 19 | 26 | 78 | 0.30 | 60.20 | 60.08 |

- Table 4.27 Sewer Design Calculations



## Tutorial Problem

(a) Use MS-Excel to design the sewerage system for Streets A and B shown in the previous example.
(b) Use SewerCAD to design the sewerage system for Streets A and B shown in the previous example.

Reference: Water Resources Engineering by Chin, 2000.

