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Irrigation Codes and Standards
and How They Impact You





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Market Transformation

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BMPs

Standards

Green Initiatives

Consumer Expectations

Mandatory

Ordinances

Codes

Executive Orders

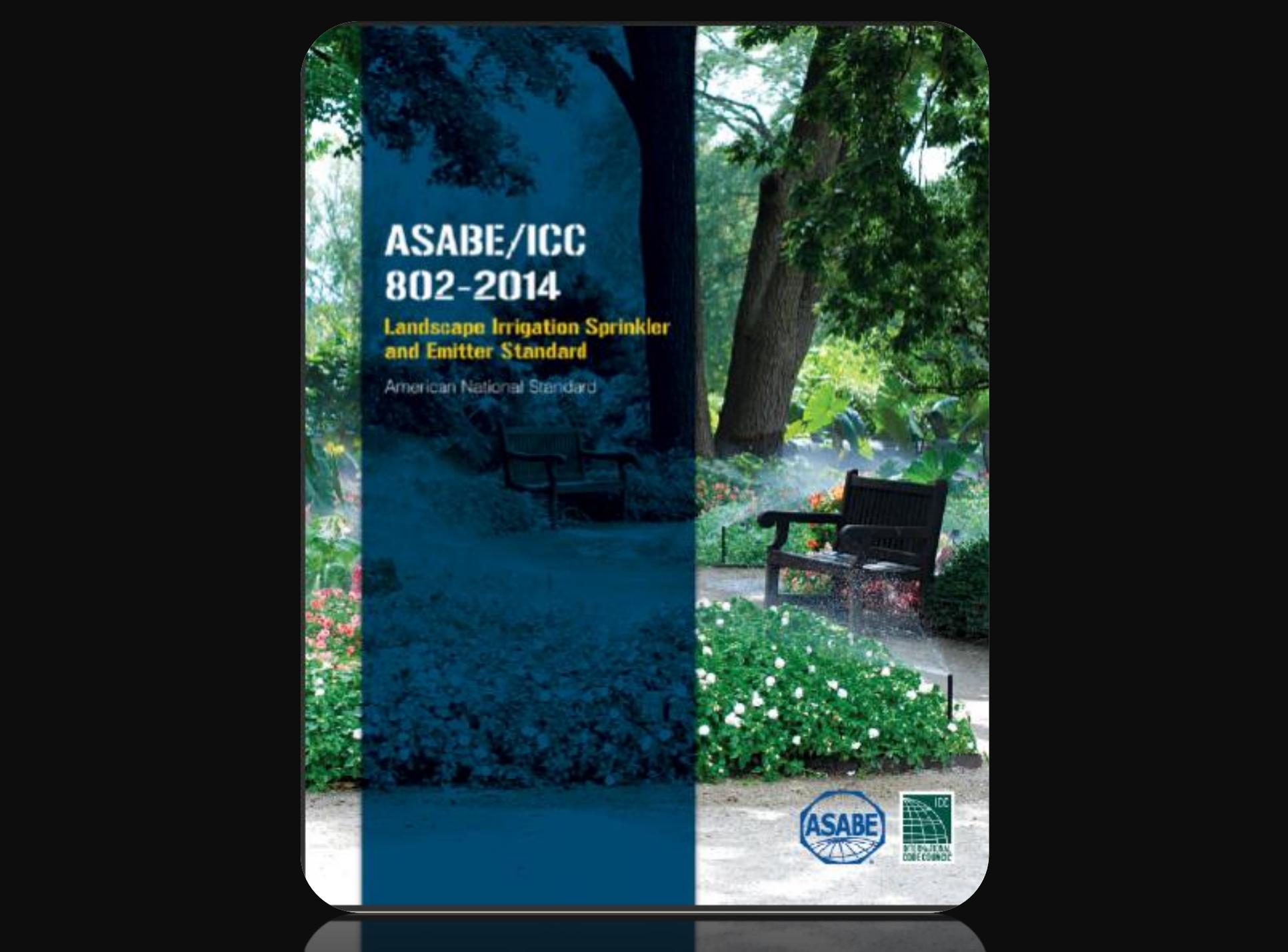
Irrigation BMPs

Collaboration between ASIC & IA

BMP & Practice Guidelines

- Design
 - Installation
 - Management
- Appendices
- Inspection & Commissioning
 - Water Budgeting
 - Scheduling





ASABE/ICC 802-2014

Landscape Irrigation Sprinkler and Emitter Standard

American National Standard



ASABE/ICC 802—2014 Landscape Irrigation Sprinkler and Emitter Standard

Definitions

Tests—Sprinklers & Bubblers

Flow Rate

Distance of Throw

Distribution Uniformity

Burst Pressure

Check Valve

Pressure Regulation

ASABE/ICC 802—2014 Landscape Irrigation Sprinkler and Emitter Standard

Tests—Emitters and Microsprays

- Uniformity of flow rate

- Flow rate as a function of pressure

- Emitter exponent for PC emission devices

- Check valve function

Standardized Procedure for Determining Landscape Plant Water Demands



Annual Average Fraction of ET_0

Plant Type	Plant Factor
Turf – Cool Season	0.8
Turf – Warm Season	0.6
Annual Flowers	0.8
Woody plants, herbaceous perennials— Wet* (> 20 inches of precipitation)	0.7
Woody plants, herbaceous perennials— Dry*	0.5
Desert plants (< 10 inches of precipitation)	0.3

ASABE X626

- Measuring Irrigation Performance
 - Catch Can Tests
 - Drip Evaluation
 - Soil Moisture Tests
- Commissioning

ASABE X633 and X627

- Soil Moisture Sensors
 - Sensor Only
 - Beta Testing
- Environmentally Responsive Controllers
 - Weather Based Only

SWAT vs. EPA WaterSense Labeling

- If you have one should you get the other?
 - How?

Green Codes



Green Codes

- Supplement or overlay other building codes and enforceable
- “Greener” way of building
 - Energy efficiency
 - Water efficiency
 - Indoor environment
- Go outside of the building envelope
 - Site requirements
 - Landscape & irrigation requirements

ASHRAE 189.1

- ASHRAE 189.1-2014 Standard for the Design of High-Performance Green Buildings
 - 40% turf limitation in the water efficiency section
 - Irrigation provisions
 - Hydrozoning
 - Controllers—SWAT posted 80% / 10%
 - 33% of landscape can use potable water or
 - 35% of total landscape water can be potable or municipally reclaimed water
 - 70% ET_0 for turf, 55% ET_0 for plantings
 - Meters > 25,000 s.f. or 1000 gal/day (potable)

IgCC-2015

- Reduce potable water use by 50%
 - Unless allowed by AHJ
- Design and installation by accredited or certified professional
- Controller regulates based on weather or soil moisture
- Rain sensor
- Hydrozoning
- Pressure regulation for drip is 40 psi or less

IgCC-2015

- Sprinklers shall:
 - MPR
 - Prohibited in area less than 4 feet
 - Prohibited on slopes greater than 25%
 - Except if PR is less than 0.50 in./h
 - Sprinklers on turfgrass only
 - 4 inch pop up minimum
 - DU_{Iq} not less than 0.65

IgCC-2015

- Alternate water sources
- Rainwater systems no limit on method
- Graywater systems subsurface only and storage maximum 24 hours
- Signage & equipment marking requirements
- Water quality testing requirements
- Metering potable and nonpotable water required if there is a controller

LEED v4

- Understanding that what they say is not the same as what they mean.
- Water really means potable water.
- Maximum points for harvesting water for irrigation.

News brief

- ASHRAE 189.1, IgCC, LEED, AIA are merging efforts.
- Minimize duplication and overlap.
- LEED picks up where the standard ends.

IAPMO

Green Technical Supplement



Green Supplement-2012

- Backflow for potable and reclaimed
- Designed to use minimum 75% of alternate water for annual demand.
- Control system
 - WBIC or SMS
 - Rainfall and soil moisture suspension
 - Cycle & Soak
 - Post irrigation controller settings
 - PR
 - Plant factors
 - Sensor settings
 - Peak demand schedule

Green Supplement-2012

- Low Flow Irrigation
 - Pressure regulation appropriate for emission devices
 - Required for vegetation over 12 inches in height
- No runoff out of zone
- No low-head drainage
- No off target application
- Prohibited on narrow areas less than 4 feet
- Sloped areas maximum 0.75 PR

Green Supplement-2012

- Sprinklers-low precipitation rate
- Sprinklers have MPR
- Sprinklers shall have pressure regulation
 - At the valve or the sprinkler
- Sprinklers shall pop up at least 4 inches
- Sprinklers shall not exceed 1 in./h
- Catch can test (6 cans for 15 minutes)
- Competent designers and contractors shall be certified to perform the work

2015 additional provisions

- Dedicated meter for landscapes > 1,500 s.f. with controller (2,500 s.f. w/o controller)
- Meter for vegetated roofs > 300 s.f.
- Maximum velocity for irrigation is 5 fps in plastic pipes, 7.5 fps in metal pipes
- Master valve for continuously pressurized alternate water sources
- Identification when using alternate water on conversions. New areas use purple pipe.

2015 additional provisions

- Sensors to inhibit irrigation when raining or freezing conditions.
- Controls follow WaterSense specifications
- Sprinklers and Emitters comply with ASABE/ICC 802-2014 standard

2015 additional provisions

- Exception to runoff / off target application is allowed for paved walkways, paths, etc. that are outside of public right of way. Water stays within hydrozone.
- Outside hose bibs shall be allowed on irrigation pipe downstream of PBD with signage.
- Pipe bury
 - > 10,000 s.f., 18 in. for main line, 12 in. for laterals
 - < 10,000 s.f., 12 in. for main line, 8 inches for laterals
 - Vehicle surfaces in sleeve minimum 24 inches deep

News

- IAPMO GTS 2015 will be last version
 - Creating a standard about water use efficiency instead of code for easier adoption.
 - WE-Stand 2017 ANS for Water Efficiency
- Green Building Initiative
 - Working on updating the 2010 standard
- National Green Building Standard
 - Updating for 2015

Alternate Water Sources

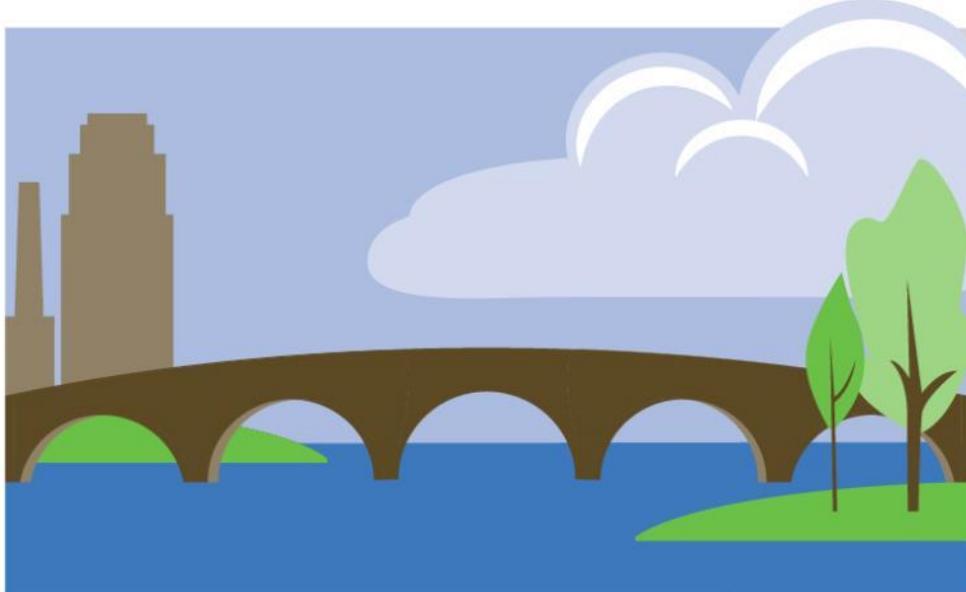
- Rainwater Harvesting Standard
 - ASPE/ARCSA 63
- Stormwater Harvesting Standard
 - ASPE/ARCSA 78

Commissioning

- ICC 1000-201X Standard for Commissioning
- 1st draft out for public comment
- Commission Providers/Specialist –certified
- Commissioning plan
- Testing & Evaluating
- Documentation, i.e. operators manual
- Report
- 3rd Party Vendor

EPA WaterSense

- Pending
 - NOI Pressure Regulating Sprinklers
 - NOI Soil Moisture Sensors



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**A New Way to Measure, Calculate
and Use Irrigation Efficiency**





A New Way to Measure, Calculate and Use Irrigation Efficiency

David Zoldoske,

Center for Irrigation Technology

Brent Mecham, Irrigation Association

Key Terms

- Coverage
- Distribution Uniformity
- Overspray losses
- Percolation losses
- Sprinkler Operation Efficiency
- Irrigation Efficiency



Coverage



Distribution Uniformity



Overspray



Runoff



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Percolation



Keeping Water on Target



Simple



Simple



Challenging



Difficult



Spray nozzle



MSMT Rotary Nozzles



Multiple nozzle performance



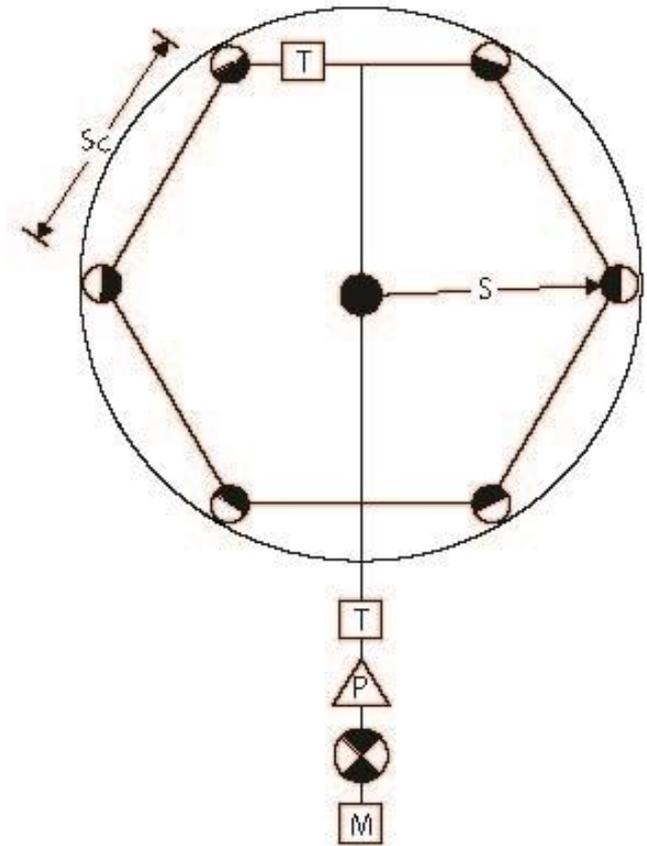
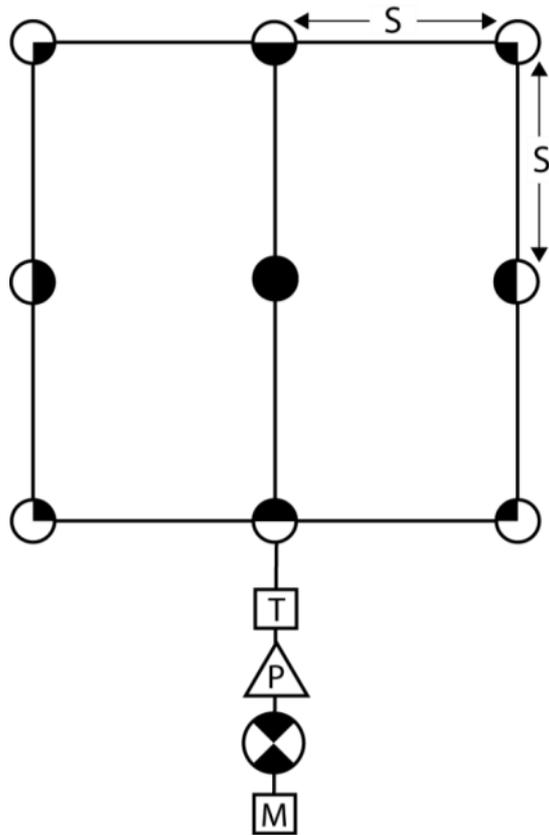
Multiple nozzle performance



SWAT Testing Protocol

- Spray Head Nozzles Performance Characteristics 3.2
 - Individual nozzles and groups of nozzles
 - Spacing configurations
 - Operating pressures
 - Repeatability
 - DU_{lq}
 - Sprinkler operational efficiency
- Finalized April, 2015—ready for testing

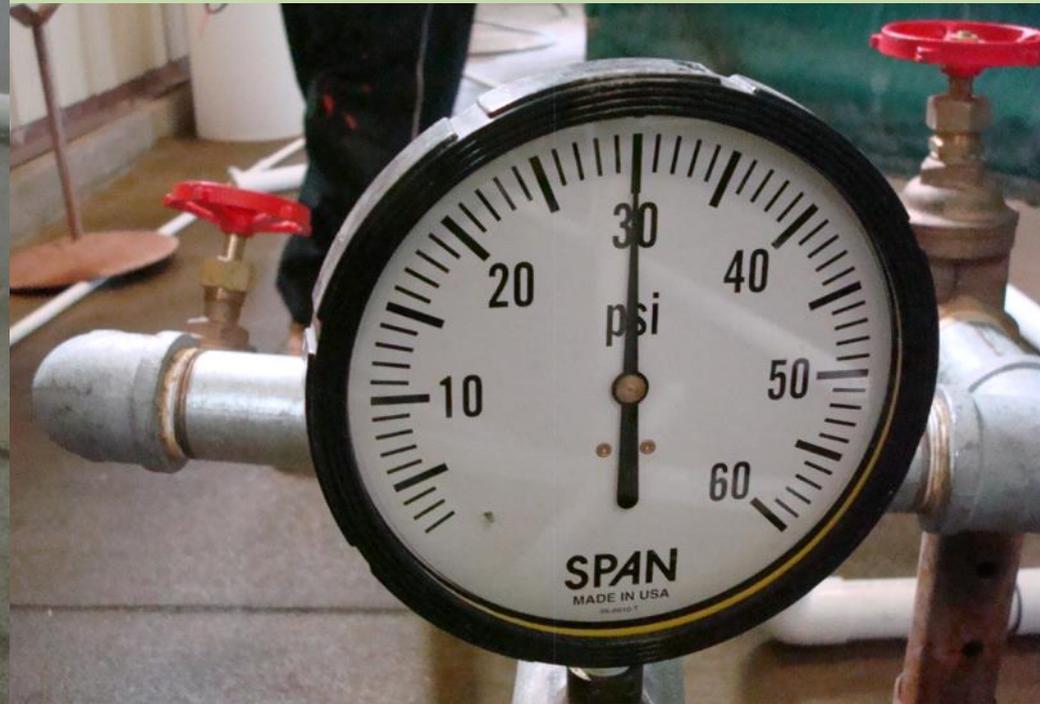
Testing configurations



Testing Area



Pressure is set to manufacturer recommendations



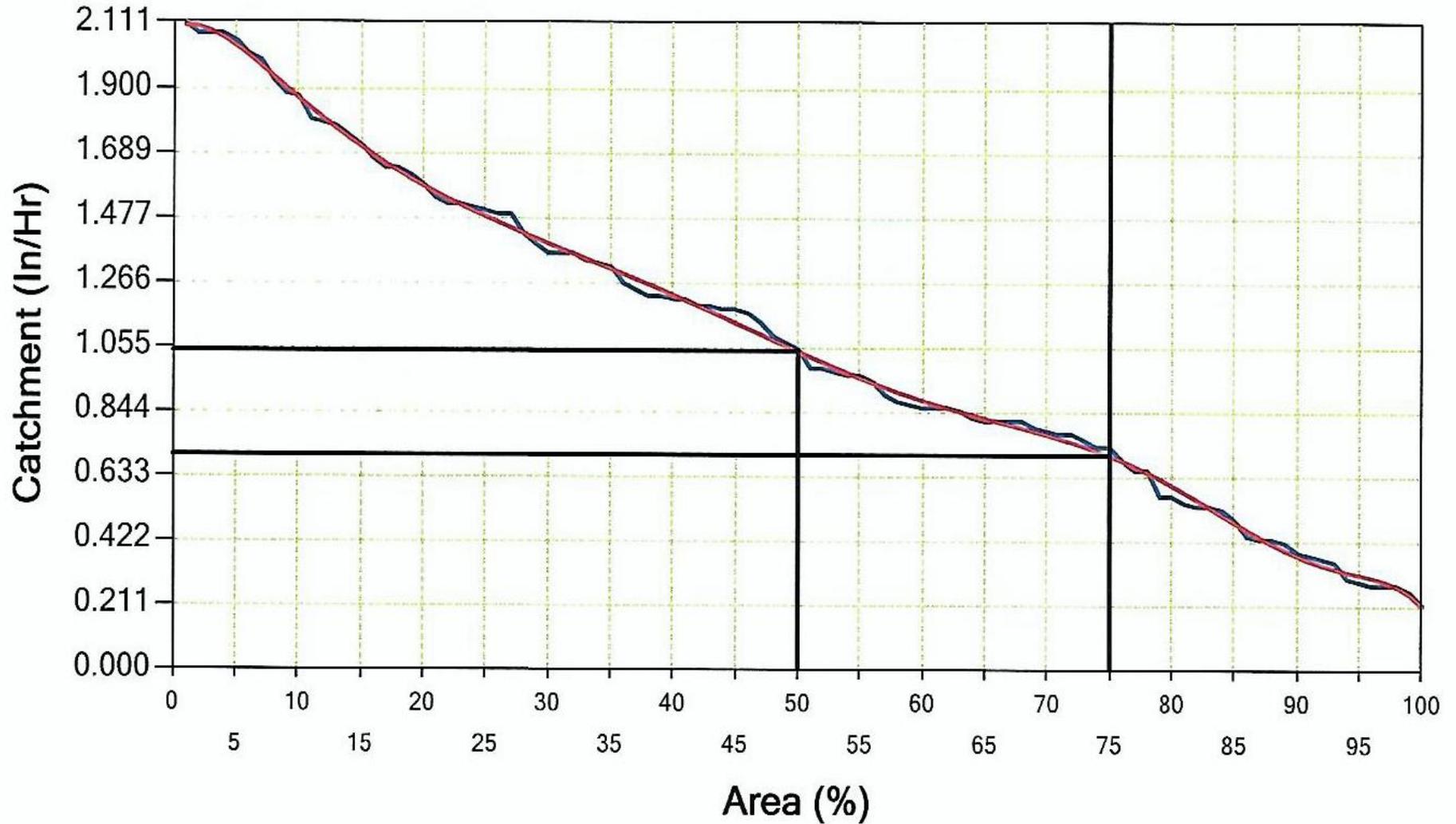
Catchment devices
measure to 0.01 inches

Testing

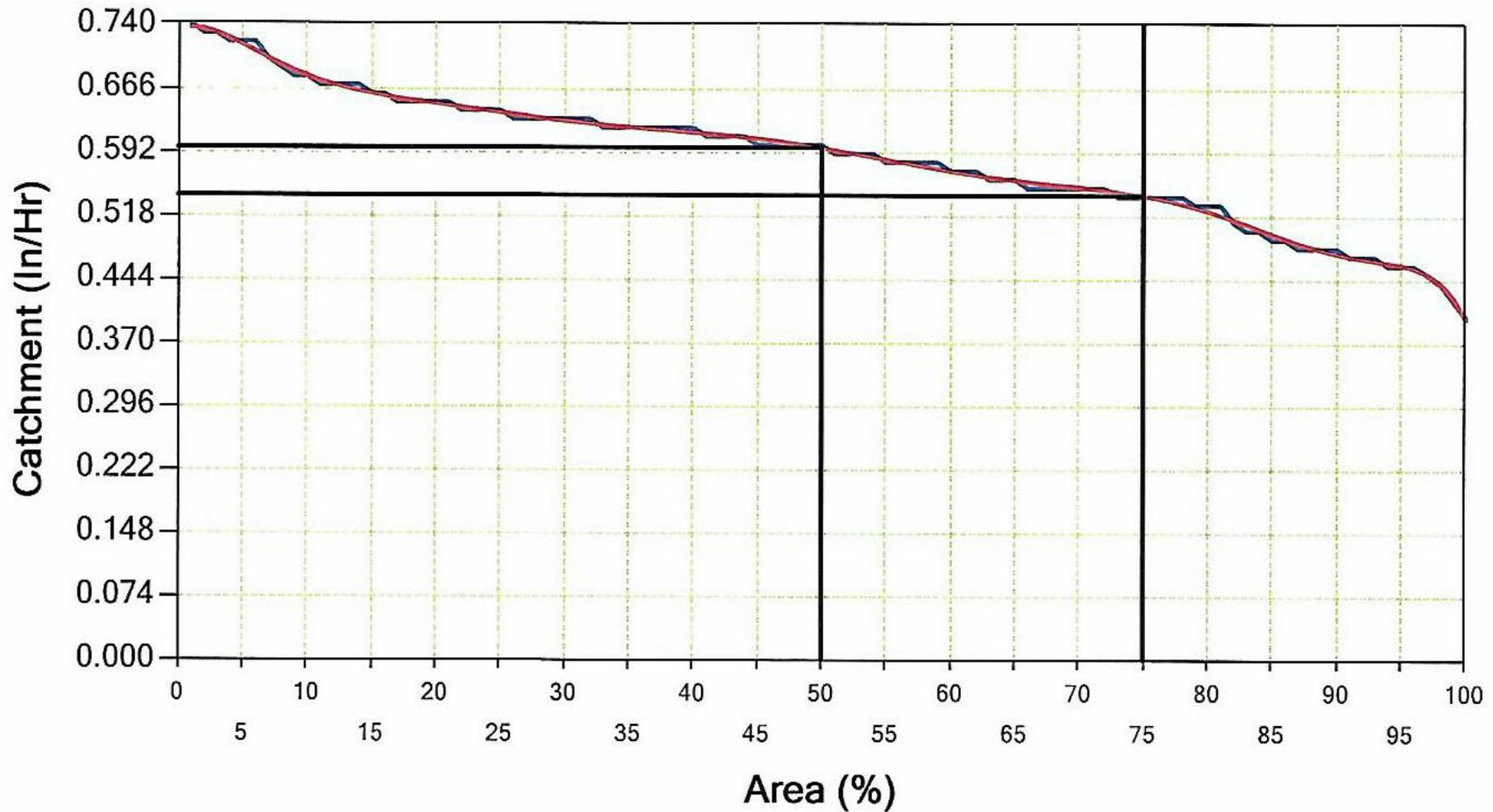
- Consider:
 - Operating pressure
 - DU_{lq}
 - Overspray
 - Percolation (excess)
 - Median and Effective application rate
 - Sprinkler Operating Efficiency



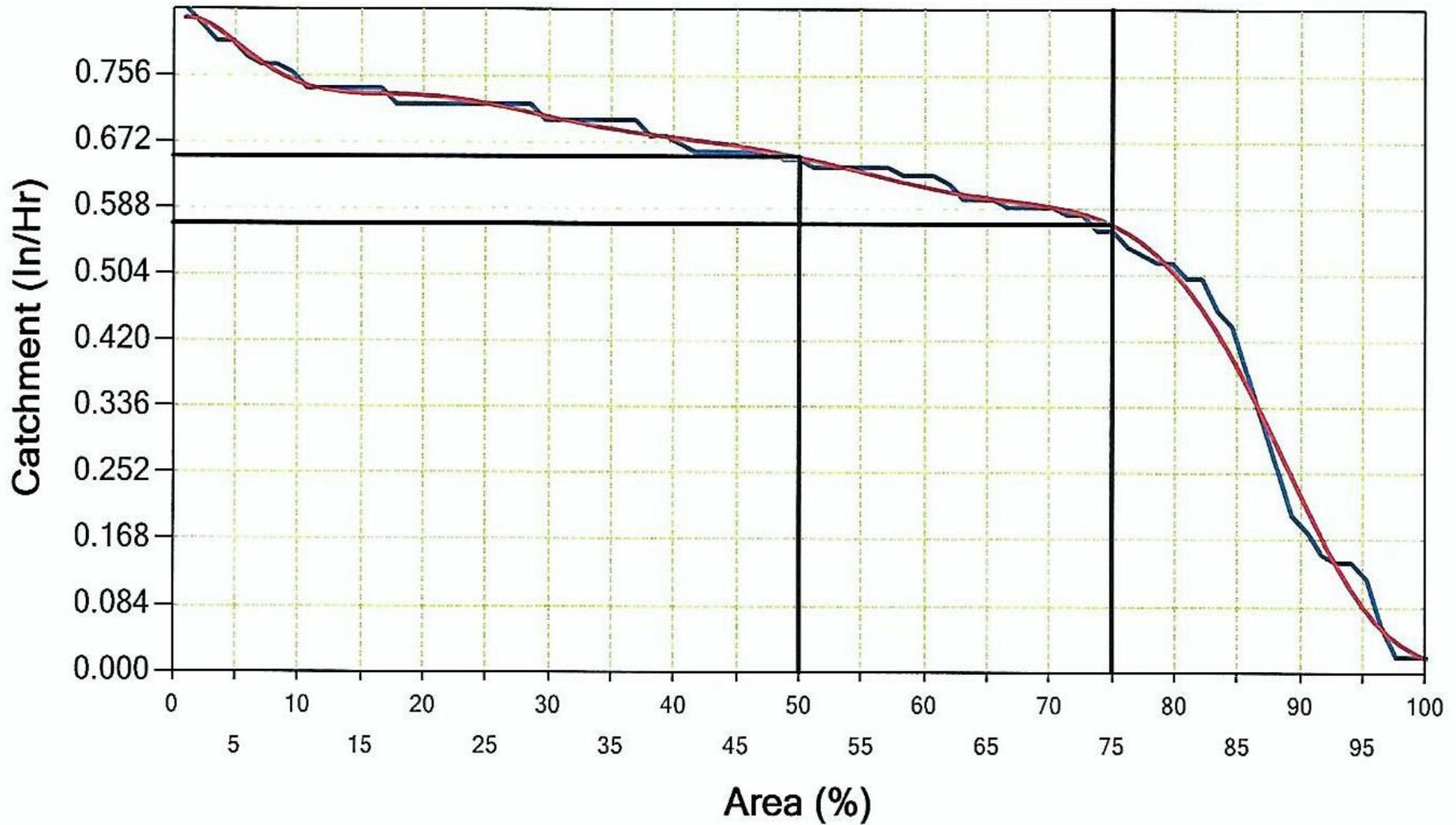
$DU_{Iq}=.40$ $OS=0.1\%$ $PL=42.7\%$ $OE_S=57.2\%$



$DU_{lq}=.83$ $OS=1.5\%$ $PL=10.4\%$ $OE_S= 88.3\%$



$DU_{Iq}=.49$ $OS=6.8\%$ $PL=15.3\%$ $OE_S=78.9\%$



Results-Spray

Nozzle	Shape	psi	PR _{median}	PR _{effect}	OS %	PL %	OE _s %	DU _{lq}
S		20	0.82	0.63	3.6	26.9	70.5	.62
S		30	0.94	0.79	3.8	18.7	78.2	.71
S		45	1.31	1.02	2.1	22.4	76.0	.60
S		20	0.85	0.63	8.6	30.4	63.6	.64
S		30	1.03	0.76	8.4	27.4	66.5	.68
S		45	1.24	0.98	8.6	23.5	69.9	.71

Same nozzle and spacing, different operating pressures

Results-MSMT

Nozzle	Shape	psi	PR _{median}	PR _{effect}	OS %	PL %	OE _s %	DU _{lq}
R-1		40	0.46	0.39	1.1	19.1	80.0	.66
R-2		40	0.60	0.54	1.5	10.4	88.3	.83
R-3		45	1.04	0.70	0.1	57.4	42.5	.40
R-1		40	0.48	0.37	1.8	27.0	71.7	.51
R-2		40	0.65	0.57	6.8	15.3	78.9	.49
R-3		45	1.35	0.88	6.0	36.6	59.6	.53

Rotating multi-stream, multi-trajectory nozzles

In 2014 CIT was asked to develop a protocol useful in administering sprinkler rebate programs

- The protocol would be administered by third-party testing agencies to:
 - Pre-qualify turf sprinklers for rebate programs
 - Establish current “state-of-the-art”
 - Provide incentives for ongoing improvements
 - ***Unfortunately no test protocol existed that calculated sprinkler application efficiency***

Current sprinkler test method:

- NOT consistent with operational conditions
- Single head tested
- Computer simulation using multiple heads
- Makes no allowances for jet mechanical interference

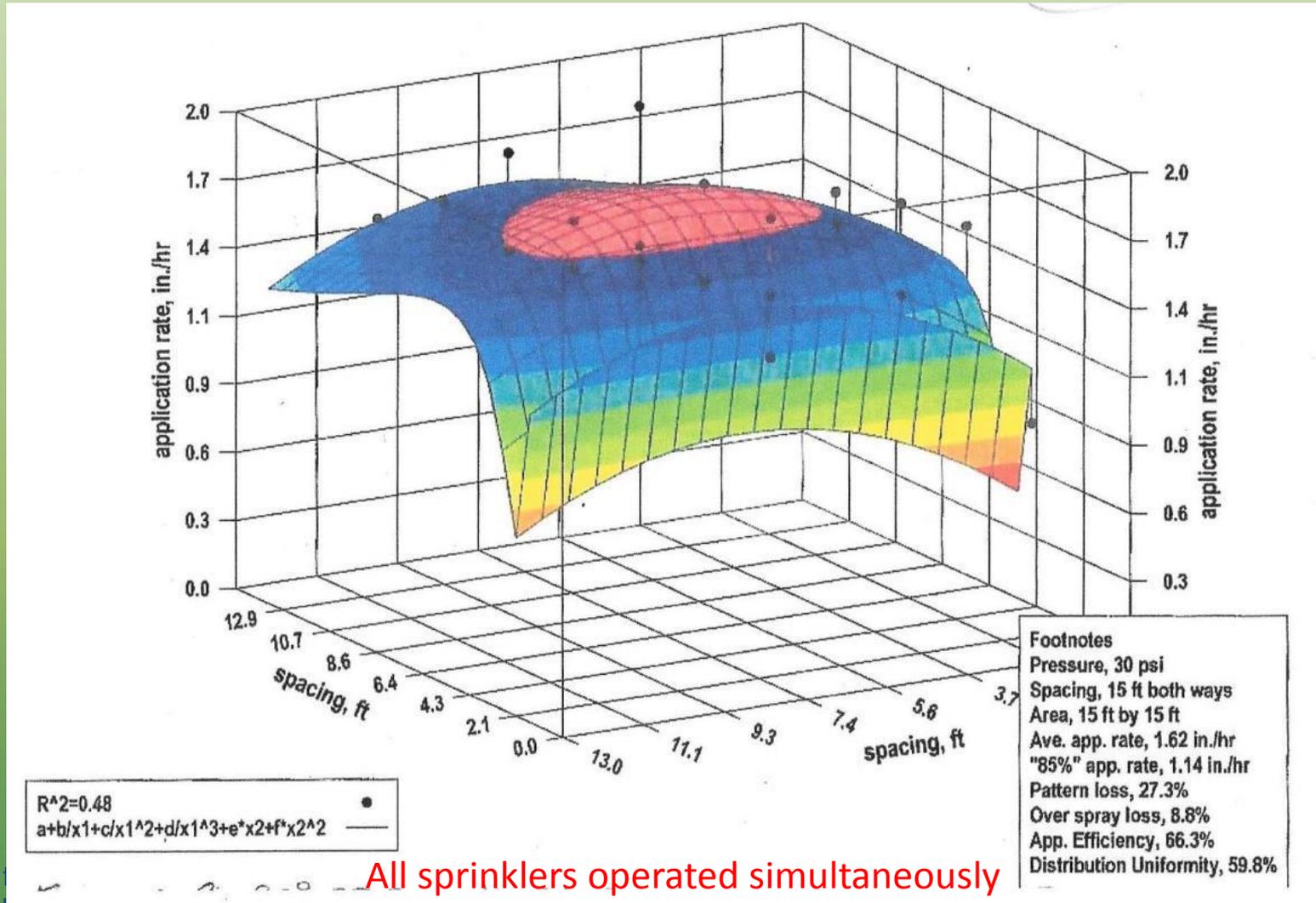
Full scale irrigation set-up in CIT sprinkler test laboratory to evaluate performance

- Sprinkler heads operated simultaneously
- Sprinkler heads operated individually
- Application efficiency calculated for each

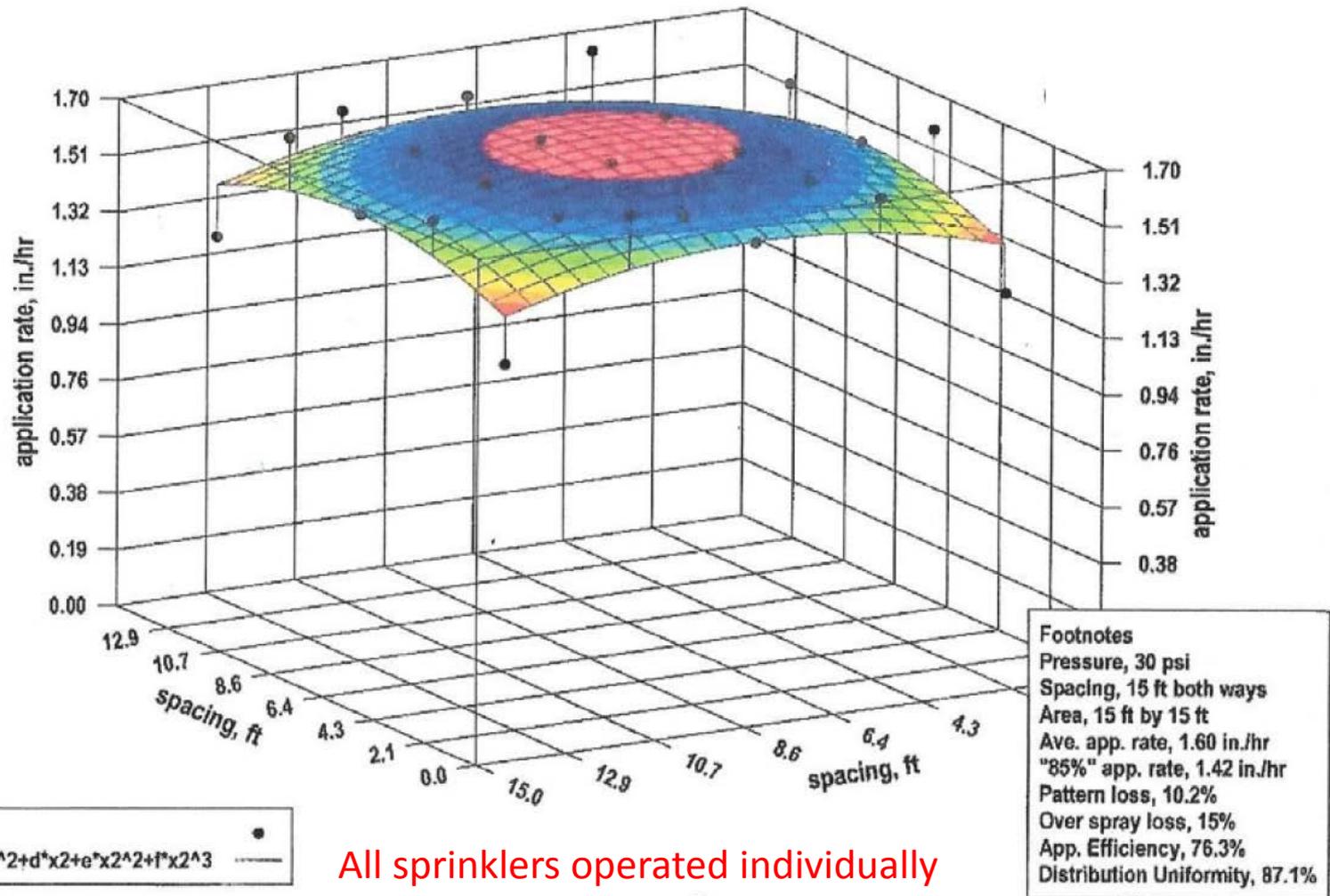
Irrigation Design/Operation Test Setup



Phenomena of Jet Interference = DU: 59.8



Non Interference = DU: 87.1

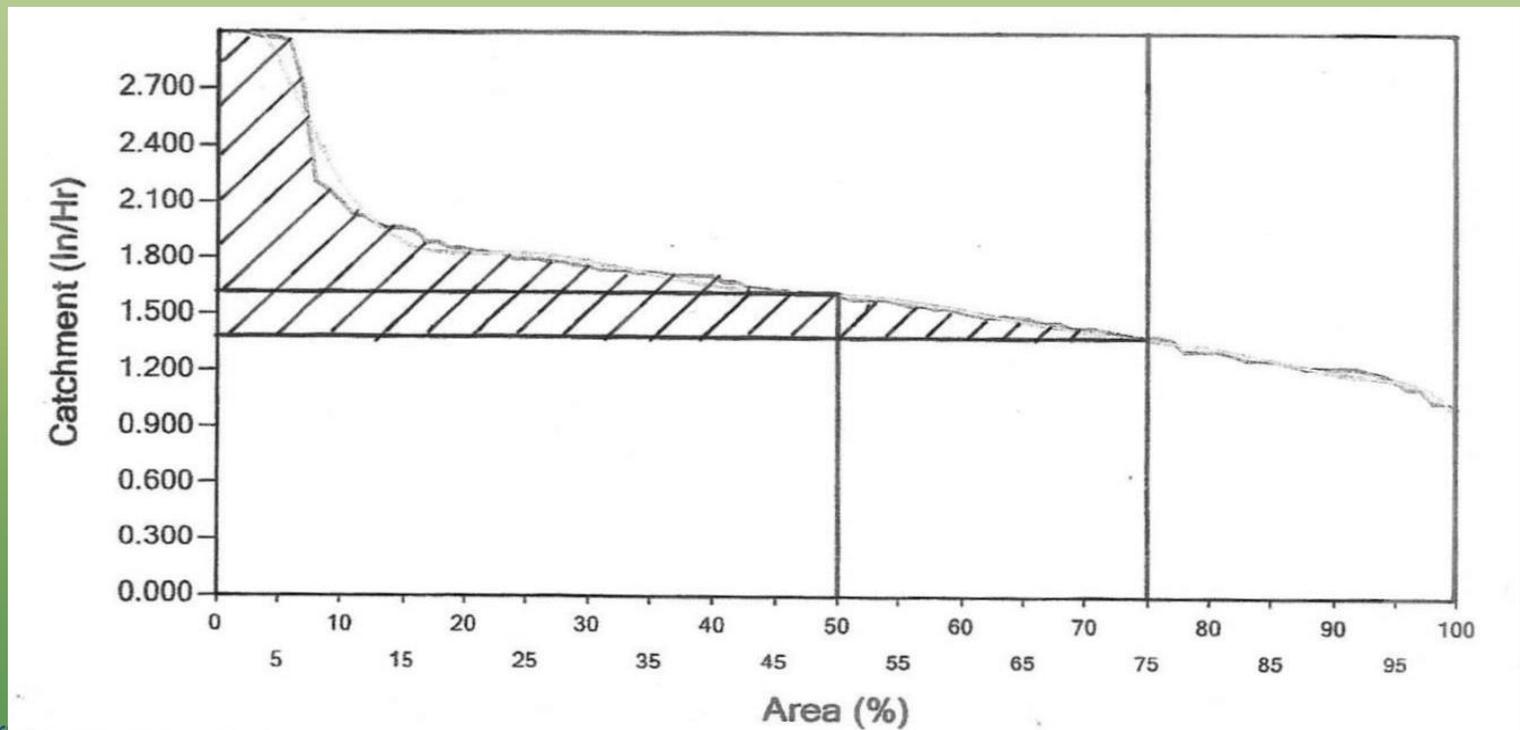


Test

- Tests conducted by CIT
- Defined shape and spacing
- Manufacturers supply the nozzle best suited to the situation.

$$\text{Pattern Loss} = \frac{\sum_1^{75} (x - x_i)}{100 (\bar{x})}$$

Where x_i = app rate at 75% of area
 \bar{x} = average application rate



Results—Square

Nozzle	Shape	psi	PR _{median}	PR _{effect}	OS %	PL %	OE _s %	DU _{lq}
#1		30	1.62	1.38	1.0	20.1	79.1	.74
#2		30	1.61	1.40	0.1	19.3	80.6	.74
#3		40	0.61	0.56	6.2	12.7	81.9	.79
#4		30	1.63	1.28	2.0	25.4	73.1	.63
#5		30	1.25	1.09	0.9	21.2	78.1	.65
Avg					2.0	19.7	78.6	.71

Manufacturers recommended and supplied the nozzle to irrigate a square shape that is 30 ft. x 30 ft. in size.

Results—Circular

Nozzle	Shape	psi	PR _{median}	PR _{effect}	OS %	PL %	S _{OE} %	DU _{Iq}
#1		30	1.75	1.47	7.0	24.2	70.5	.63
#2		30	1.86	1.40	0.2	33.6	66.3	.29
#3		40	0.64	0.49	6.0	27.6	67.9	.41
#4		30	0.90	0.73	1.1	30.8	68.4	.55
#5		30	1.82	1.45	10.0	23.6	68.7	.64
Avg			0.65	0.57	4.9	28.0	68.4	.50

Manufacturers recommended and supplied the nozzle to irrigate a circular shape that is 30 feet in diameter.

Comparison—same nozzle

Nozzle	Shape	psi	PR _{median}	PR _{effect}	OS %	PL %	S _{OE} %	DU _{lq}
#1-a		30	1.62	1.38	1.0	20.1	79.1	.74
#1-b		30	1.75	1.47	7.0	24.2	70.5	.63
#1-c		30	1.86	1.40	0.2	33.6	66.3	.29

Same nozzle. Test #1-c is “fine-tuning” after test #1-b

Study at Cal Poly-Pomona

- Distribution Uniformity of Multi-Stream, Multi-Trajectory Rotary Nozzles Spaced Below Recommended Distance
 - Kumar, Green, Vis



Study: RMSMT nozzles

- Maximum spacing HTH
- Spacing reduced 10%, nozzle unadjusted
- Spacing reduced 25%, nozzle unadjusted
- Spacing reduced 10%, nozzle adjusted
- Spacing reduced 25%, nozzle adjusted

10% = common design practice

25% = common maximum radius adjust

Study Results--DU_{lq}

Treatment	Nozzle A	Nozzle B	Nozzle C	Overall
Max HTH	.58	.58	.45	.54
-10% unadj.	.64	.65	.57	.62
-25% unadj.	.59	.78	.62	.66
-10% adjust.	.81	.76	.52	.70
-25% adjust.	.75	.74	.67	.72
Overall	.68	.71	.56	.65

Average of four replications

Unadjusted = over spraying target area



Questions ?

Thank You !

Conclusions

- Curvilinear shapes are more difficult to irrigate efficiently.
- DU is one metric—focus is on “dry”
- Sprinkler operation efficiency considers where is the water going.
- MSMT nozzles create less interference of pattern.
- Keeping water on target is more important than highest DU.

Recommendations

- Reduce catalog info by 10-15%
- Adjust nozzle to keep water on target
- Shoot for highest DU possible
- Use the real application rate for scheduling
- Limit extra run time to no more than 20%
- If there are persistent dry areas—fix the sprinklers, or check for other causes
- Install sprinklers expertly
 - Spacing, correct nozzle, aligned, plumb, etc.



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Creating Efficiency in Design
Using Hydraulic Modeling

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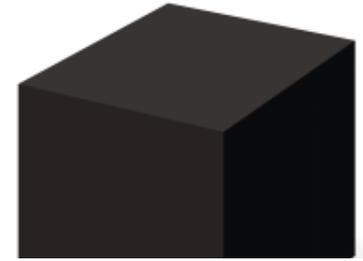


Presentation Overview

- Introduction
- Basics of Hydraulics
- Available Modeling Tools
- Workshop
 - Construction of a Hydraulic Model
 - How to Use Model Results

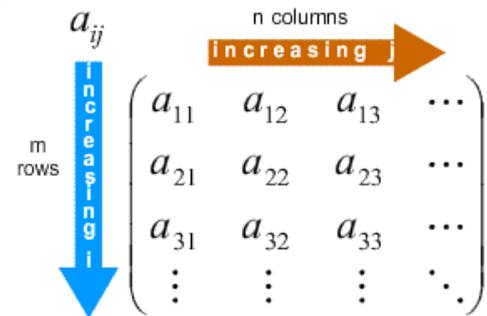
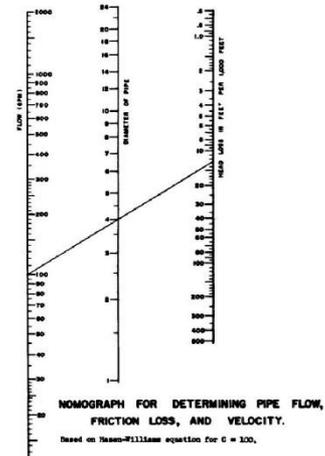


Hydraulic Modeling Survey



What is the “black box” behind a hydraulic model?

- One of those nomograph chart things that you draw lines on to size pipes
- A series of spreadsheet calculations using engineering formulas
- A complex algorithm that simultaneously solves for the water pressure and flow in a pipe network



Survey (continued)



The last time I used hydraulic modeling was:

- Um... Never?
- I remember a course back in college...
- We had a big project once, so we used hydraulic modeling software
- I use it on most, if not all, pressure system designs





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Hydologic vs. Hydraulic Modeling

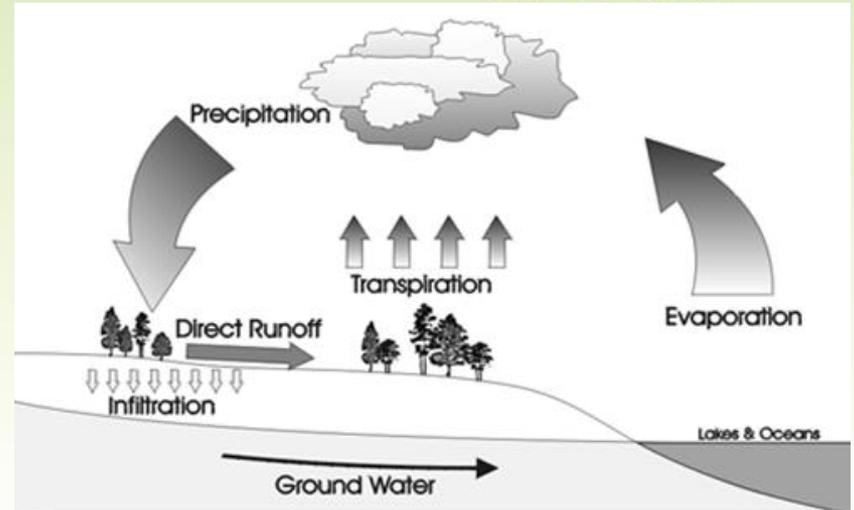
Basics of Hydraulics

Types of Modeling



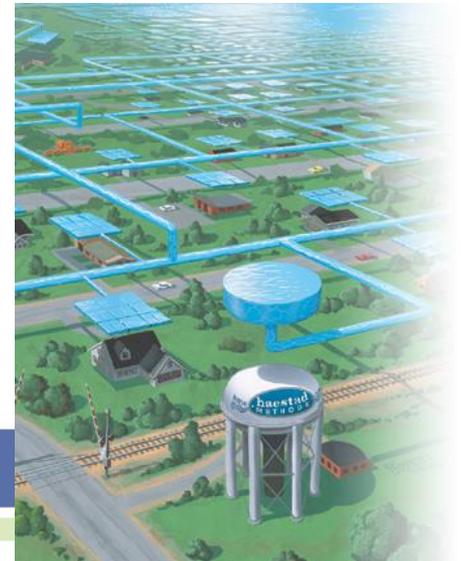
Hydrologic Modeling:

Rainfall, Runoff



Hydraulic Modeling:

Pipes, Channels,
Engineered Systems



Types of Modeling



Gravity Flow Systems: Ditches, Channels, and Pipes that are not flowing at full depth

stormwater conveyance, gravity sewers

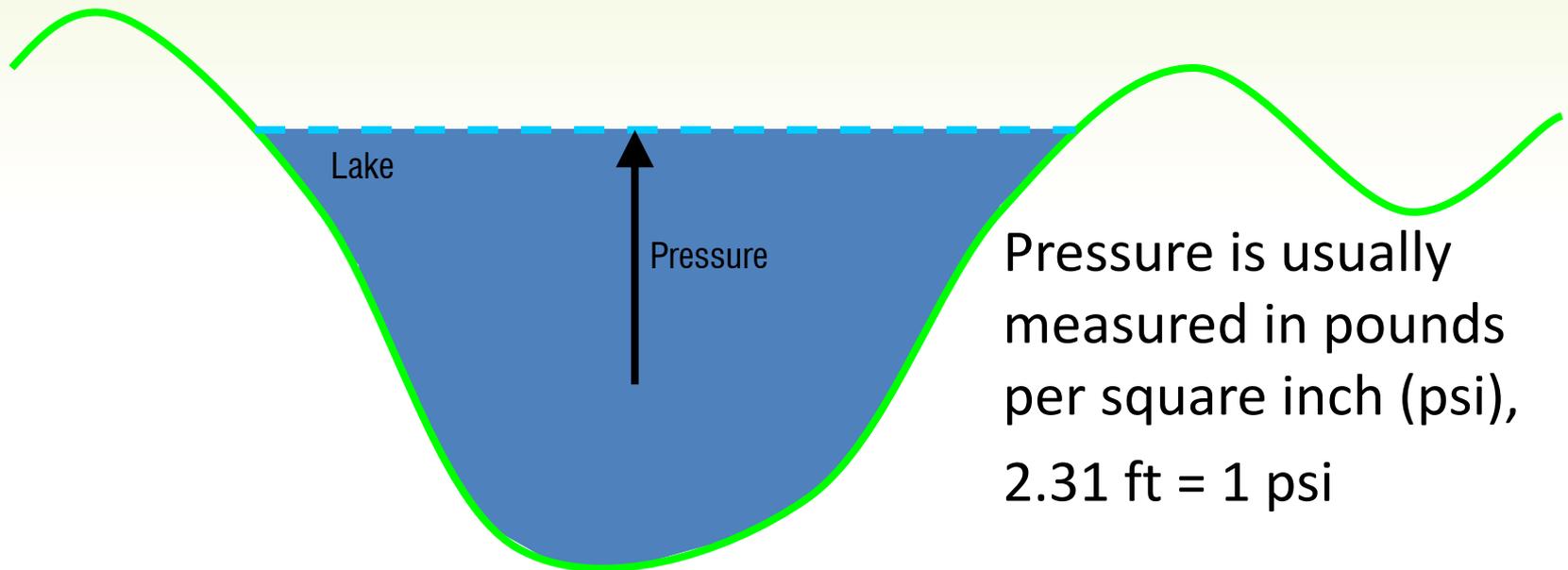
Pressurized Flow Systems: Pipes are flowing full, interaction with pumps, storage, and discharge under pressure

water distribution, fire protection, sprinklers

Pressure System Hydraulics



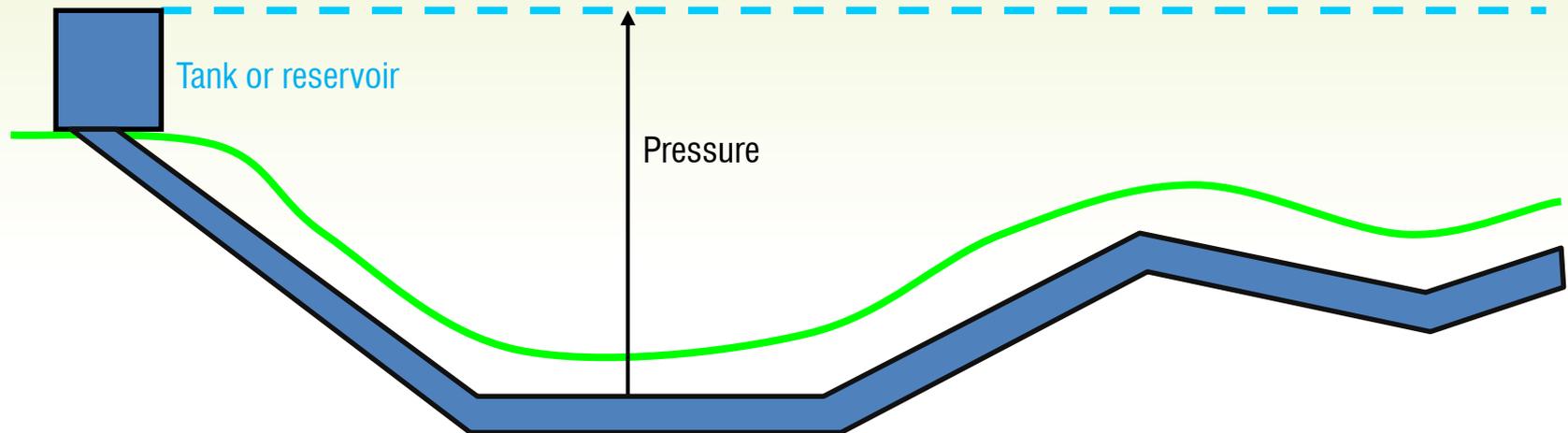
- Pressure measured at any point in a volume of water is caused by the weight of the liquid above that point



Hydraulics in a Pipe



- In a pressure system the water is enclosed within pipes

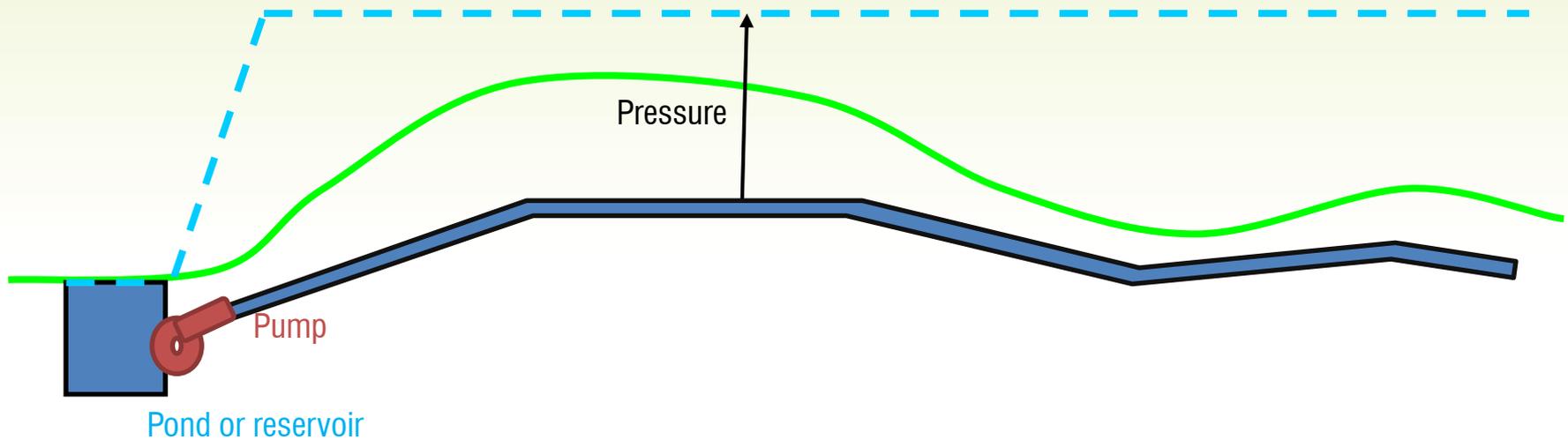


- The water surface is now in the tank therefore the pressure is measured vertically to this point

Pumped Systems



- If the stored water is lower than the delivery point, you must design a pump to achieve the desired pressure

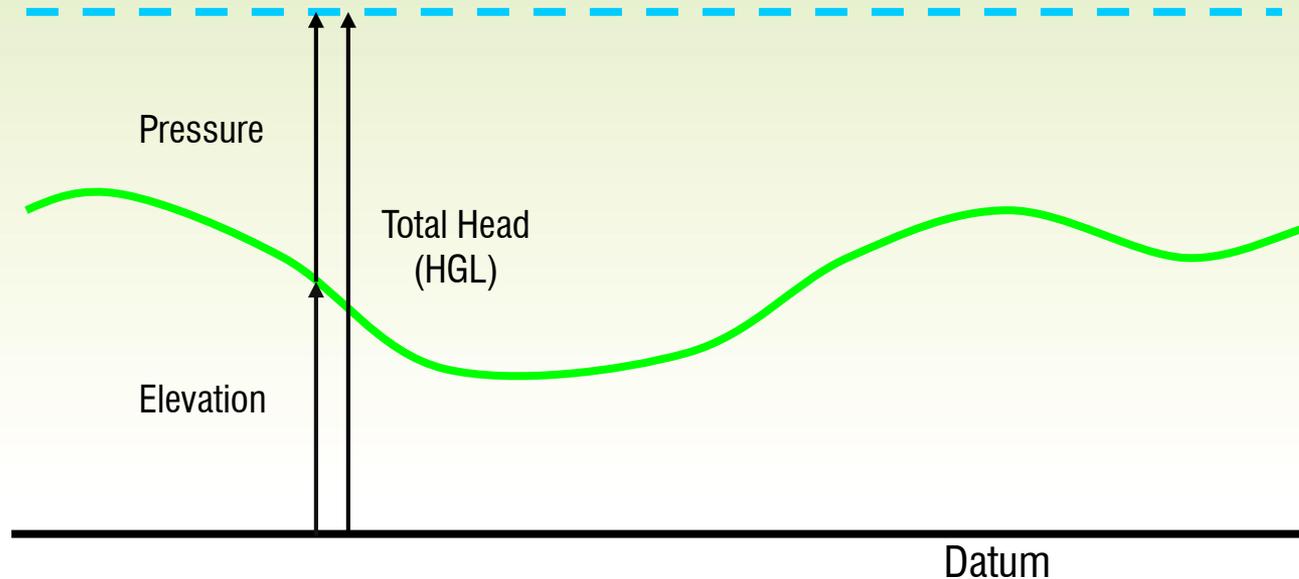


- Design pressure of 60 psi ~ 150 feet: pump must add this in addition to any elevation change (total head)

Hydraulic Grade Line (HGL)



- What is total head (HGL) ?



- It is the pressure you would measure if you were at sea level
- Therefore total head or HGL = Elevation + Pressure

Hydraulic Model Computations

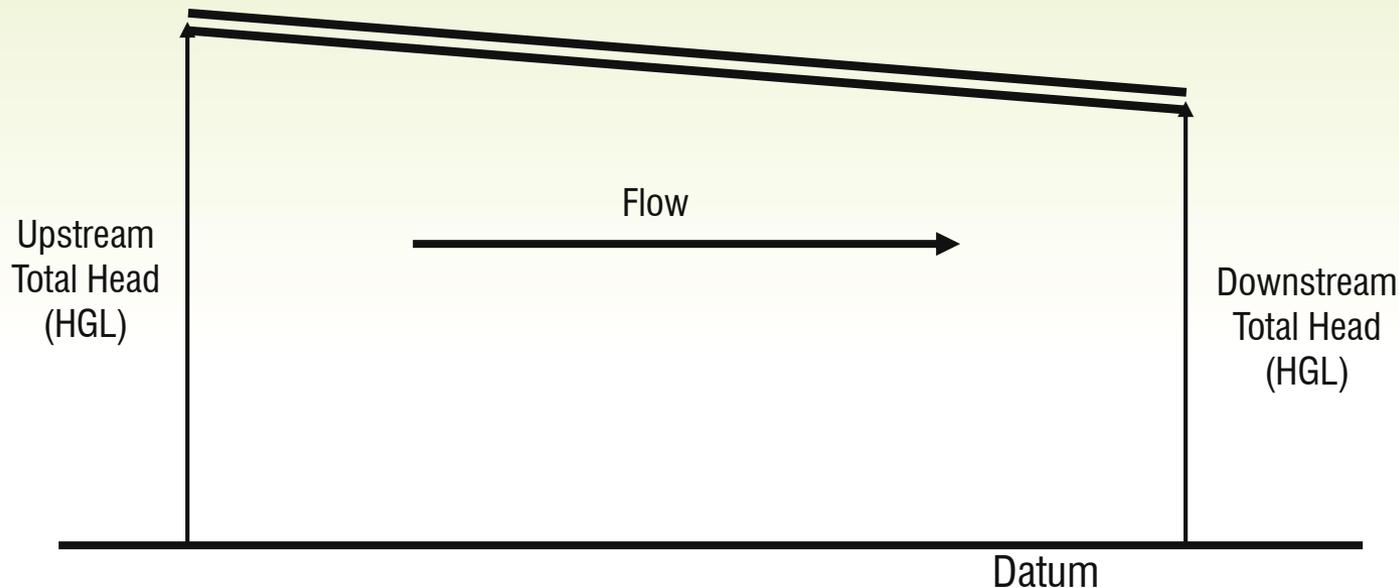


- Hydraulic models work in total head (HGL)
- Pressures are defined by subtracting the elevation from the total head (HGL):
$$\text{Pressure} = \text{HGL} - \text{Elevation}$$
- It takes energy to transport water along a pipeline
This energy is taken from the water's potential energy (HGL)
- So as you travel away from the water source the HGL reduces
 - This reduction/loss of HGL is known as **HEAD LOSS**

Head Loss



- HEAD LOSS is calculated as the difference in the HGL from one end of a pipe to the other

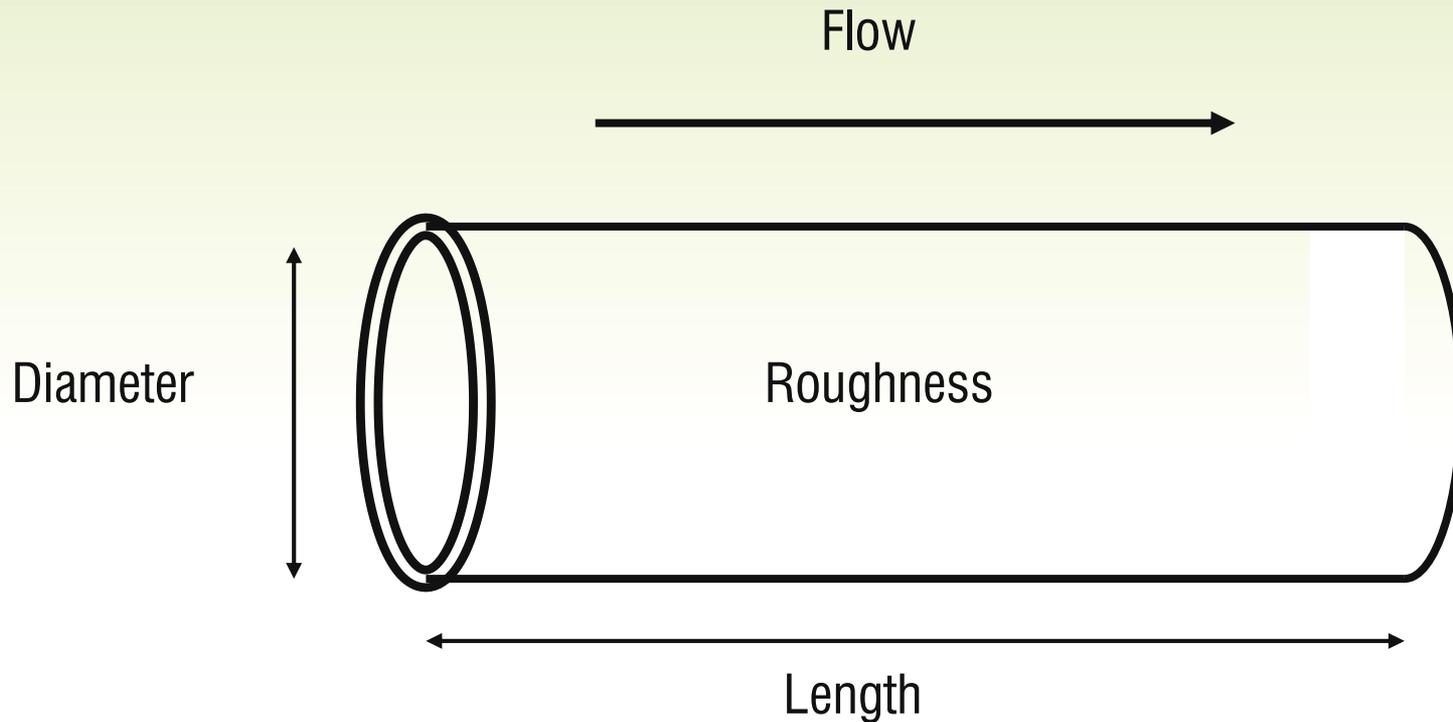


- $\text{HEAD LOSS} = \text{Upstream HGL} - \text{Downstream HGL}$

Head Loss in Piping Systems



- What causes Head Loss in a pipe?



Hydraulics



- What is the relationship of Length, Roughness, Flow and Diameter to Head Loss?

Hazen Williams:
$$h = \frac{KL}{D^{4.87}} \left(\frac{Q}{C} \right)^{1.85}$$

Darcy Weisbach:
$$h = \frac{KLfQ^2}{D^5}$$

- Headloss \propto Length
 - Headloss \propto f(Roughness)
 - Headloss \propto Flow²
 - Headloss \propto 1 / Diameter⁵
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- Therefore, changing **Diameter** has the greatest impact on Head Loss

Other Losses



- What else in the piping system can cause Head Loss?
 - Meters, sensors, or other measurement devices
 - Valves
 - Backflow preventers
 - Filters
 - Reducers
 - Bends and fittings





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Modeling Software and Process



Why Model?



Hydraulic modeling can help:

- Determine the expected pressure distribution in a system
- Evaluate storage capacity/needs and volume supplied
- Evaluate parallel/concurrent operation of systems
- Determine appropriate pipe size
- Evaluate operation schedules and determine constraints
- Evaluate pumping needs and efficiency

What Tools Are Available?



Public Domain Software

- EPANET (<http://www.epa.gov/nrmrl/wswrd/dw/epanet.html>)
 - Advantages: Free! Widely used, minimal footprint on computer, relatively easy to use, access to source code
 - Disadvantages: No support, no upgrades, limited interface, no interaction with mapping or CAD software

Commercially Available Software

- Advantages: technical support, continued upgrade and development, advanced analytical features, can integrate with GIS and/or CAD platforms
- Disadvantages: Cost (compared to EPANET), multiple vendors

“Workshop”

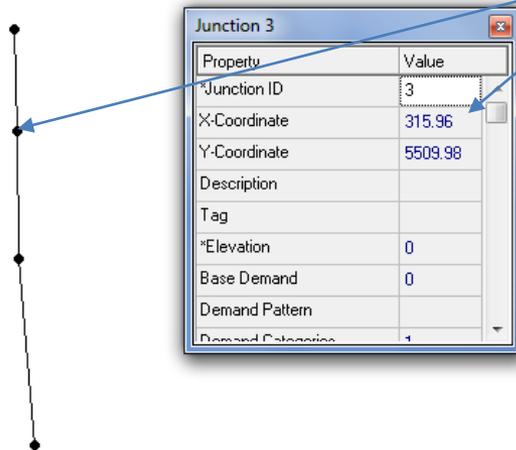


- Use GIS base map to set up simple golf course model
- System Components:
 - Water source / storage (pond at constant level)
 - Pump station (1 pump)
 - Pipes (2” to 6”)
 - Sprinkler heads
- Design flow rate – use rotor sprinkler head with 60’ coverage radius, 30 gpm flow rate

Model Construction



- In EPANET, place junctions at sprinkler locations
- May be helpful to have CAD alongside, use northing and easting and input manually
- CAD or GIS embedded can overlap on basemap and place using strategic symbol size



EPANET: Place junctions and edit coordinates

Get coordinates from GIS or CAD
or use background file in embedded modeling platform

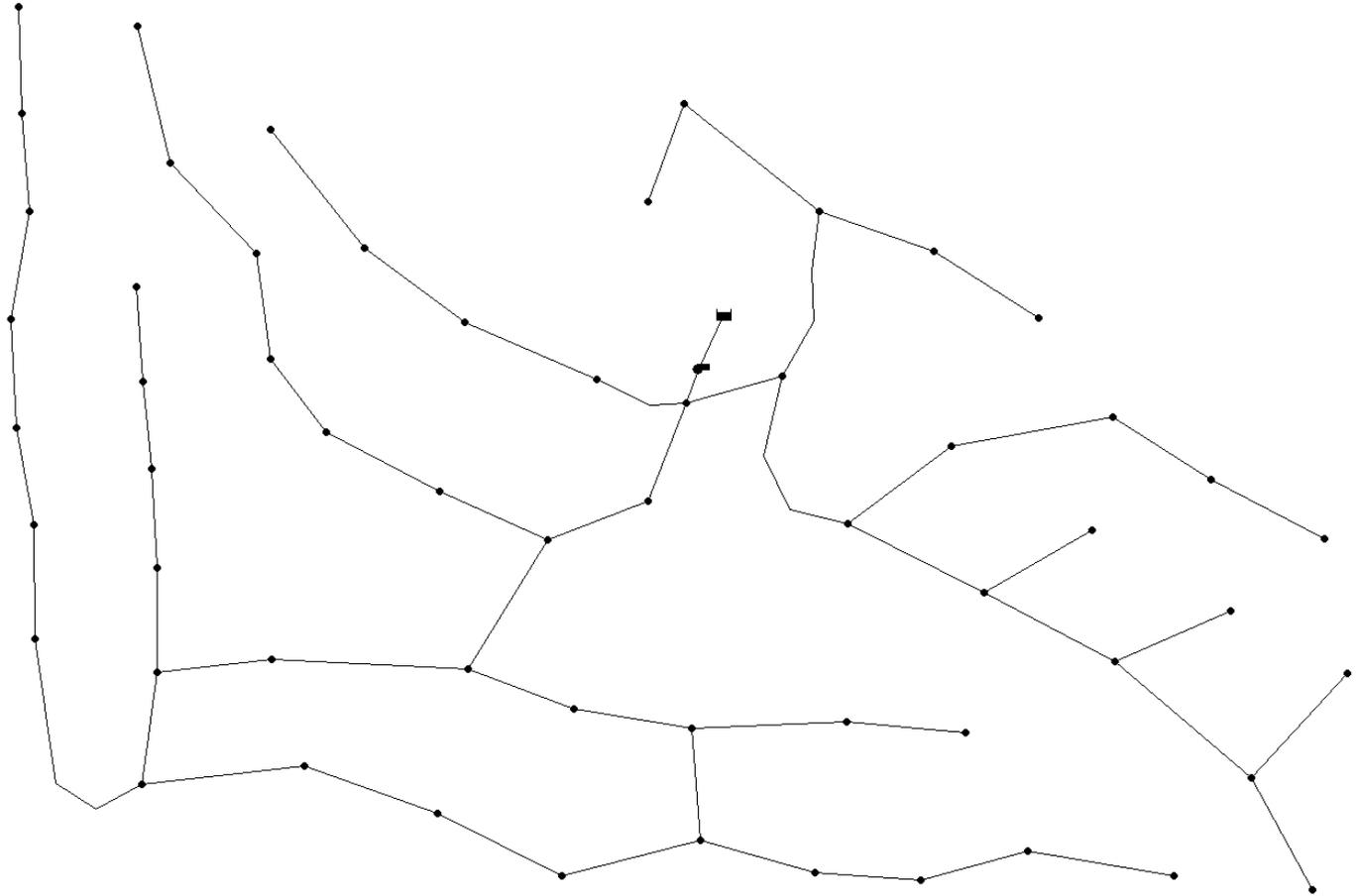


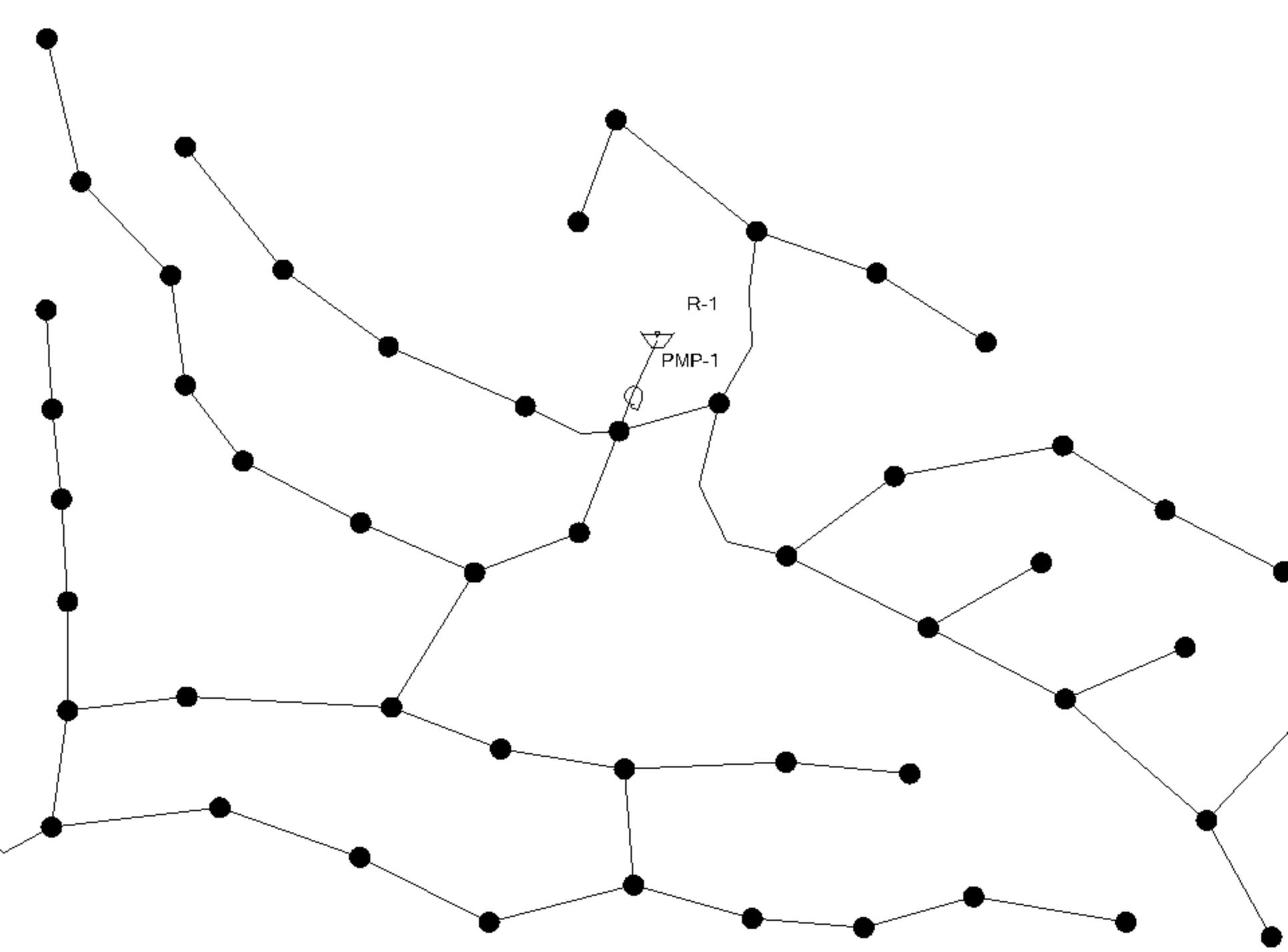
System Layout



- “Connect the Dots”
 - create pipes by literally connecting sprinklers.
- Use uniform size at first, can adjust later based on analysis results
- Establish source and pump as necessary









Elevation Data



- Utilize ground surface data
 - Generally available through State/University sites
- Commercial programs have extraction utilities to extract elevations at nodes
- Include elevation and relevant volume of any storage features – these can be set as constant head or as varying level (requires level/storage capacity relationship)

Initial Settings

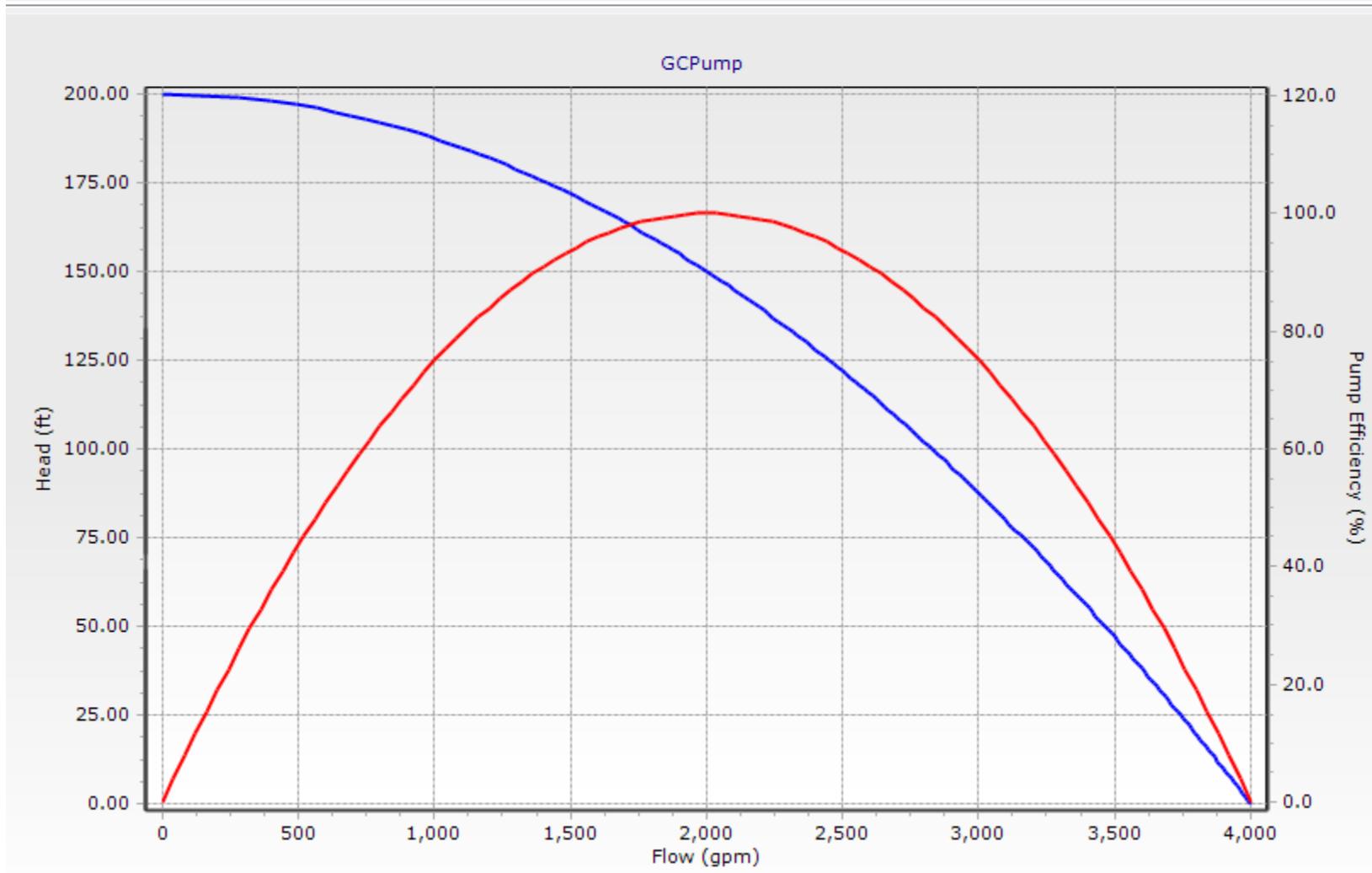


- Use one-point pump definition, unrealistically large for pipe sizing
 - Design Flow @ maximum with all sprinklers running
 - Head @ 60-80 psi on discharge side
- “Demands” = sprinkler output
 - Initially set all sprinklers on
- Pipe size:
 - Start with network at one size
 - Work from source to extremes, increase pipe size when head loss is extreme

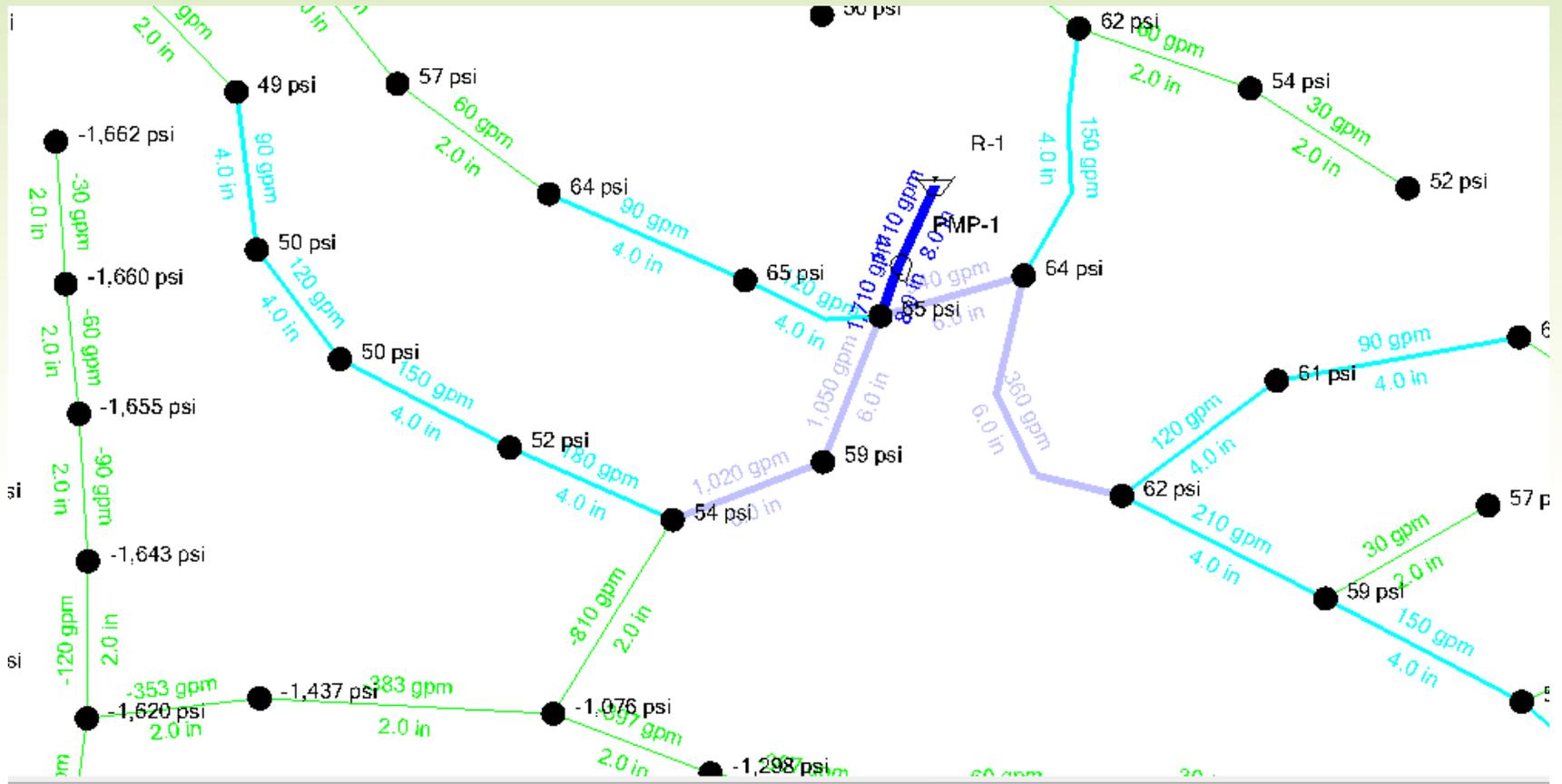
Pump Definition Type:

Design Point (1 Point) ▼

	Flow (gpm)	Head (ft)
Shutoff:	0	200.00
Design:	2,000	150.00
Max. Operating:	4,000	0.00



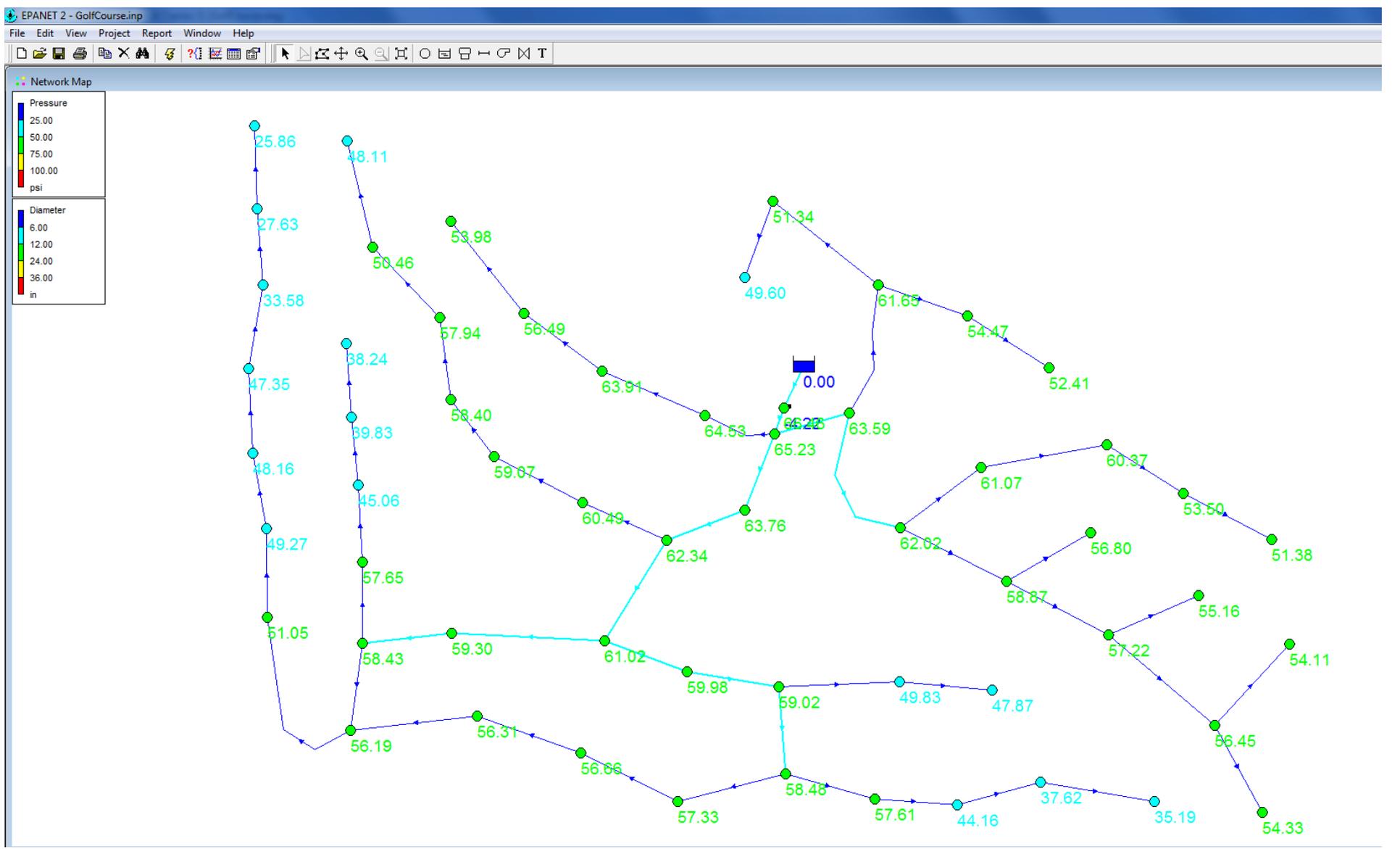
Pipe Size Adjustment



Final Adjustments



- Add other “loss” items
 - Valves (define minor loss coefficient)
 - Filters
 - Backflow prevention
 - Bends/fittings
 - Etc.
- Readjust pipe or pump size if not meeting pressure at extremes



Make it Real



- Activate sprinklers in realistic operation and eliminate “demands” for sprinklers that are off
 - Valve closure shouldn’t matter – modeling at steady state so if there is no flow, there is no head loss
- Size the pumps based on realistic flow vs. head
- Replace one-point pump curve with defined pump curve from vendor literature

What Else Can I Do?



- Use “Extended period simulation” (EPS) modeling to define daily watering pattern
 - Cumulative flow to define volume of water applied
 - Iteratively check how you can or can’t concurrently run areas of the system
 - Evaluate use from storage, necessary daily water purchase

What Else Can I Do?



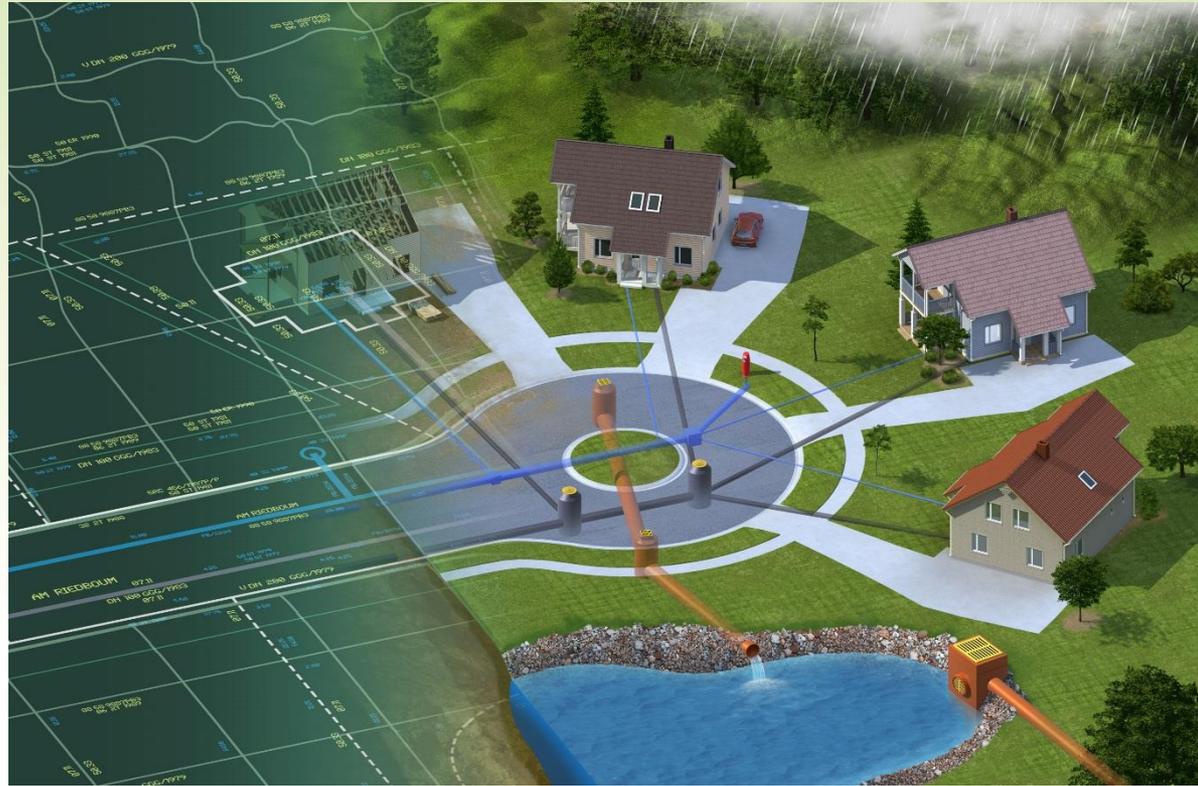
- Pressure Dependent Demands
 - Sprinklers flow at rate dependent upon system pressure
 - Render results with symbol sizes to show coverage
- Automated cost/benefit optimization of pipe sizes

In Summary



- Hydraulic modeling can help:
 - Layout of system/coverage area
 - Size pipes
 - Design necessary pumping
 - Evaluate potential operational schemes
 - Show effects of operational schemes on storage/source water as well as effective coverage
 - Understand the flexibility and limitations of the designed system

THANK YOU!



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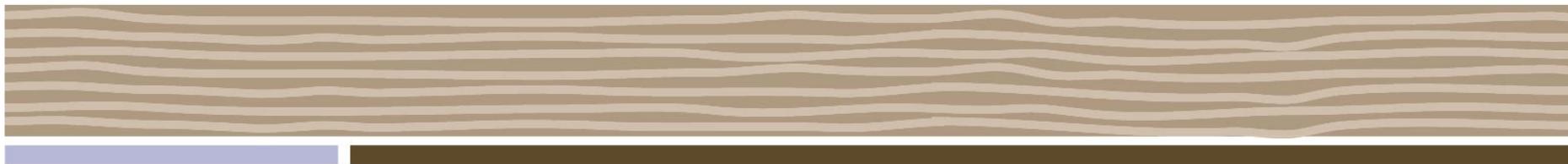
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OS&Y Gate Valve



Knife Gate Valve



AWWA Torque Requirements

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Table 1 Design valve stem input torque

Nominal Valve Size or NPS		Design Torque	
<i>in.</i>	<i>(mm)</i>	<i>ft-lb</i>	<i>(Nm)</i>
3–4	(75–100)	200	(270)
6–16	(150–400)	300	(406)
Larger than 16	(400)	Consult manufacturer	