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# Modelowanie rozprzestrzeniania się zanieczyszczeń termicznych w rzekach

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### Przepraszam za polsko-angielską mieszankę językową





#### Uwagi wstępne dotyczące hydrodynamiki środowiskowej

Główne problemy związane z:

- brakiem "zrozumienia" wielu procesów fizycznych,
- "geometrią",
- brakiem wielu danych (szorstkość!)



A great success behind hydraulics engineers in modeling of flows in a variety of engineering objects imposes the view that similar success is easy in the analogous river flows.



"Easy hydraulics"

There are, great differences between environmental flows and their engineered counterparts and they are revealed in terms of length scales, levels of turbulence, moveable boundaries and geometrical complexities







Niezwykle złożona geometria zwłaszcza w terenach mokradłowych

Long Control

#### **Cross-section survey layout**

Non-unique solutions





#### The generated, obtained from a field survey, and simplified selected cross-section – Upper Narew River



Flood area map for the return period of 100 years

Having identified initial problems can we be totally confident about model results?



#### Zagadnienie transportu ciepła/masy



## Introduction

#### Thermal pollution

is a result of any process that changes ambient water temperature

In rivers one of the most common reasons for thermal pollution are discharges of heated water from all kinds of industrial facilities (mostly power plants)



 Construction of e.g. thermal power plants requires the prediction of a possible increase in the water temperature





Predicted thermal plume at power station outfall near Warsaw in Poland (River Vistula)



Rainbow trout, a spiece sensitive to water temperature change. Source: Ken Hammond, USDA



## Motivation

#### RivMix (River Mixing Model) 2D numerical model of the spread of passive pollutants in flowing surface water

Solving the 2D advection-diffusion equation with the included off-diagonal dispersion coefficients





- Which of additional sources associated with the heat exchange with the surrounding environment are significant?
- The problem is especially important in practical cases with limited or not ideal data available
- Sources of uncertainty



#### **Transport of Heat in Rivers**

Most general 3D transport equation:

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## Different simplifications are considered in practice

The most obvious simplifications pertain to the reduction of the problem to 2D or even 1D

#### Mixing zones in river





### Near field zone

#### Vertical mixing prevails



Tracer test performed in a natural Narew River in the North-East of Poland, June 2005

starting at the discharge point and continuing to the point of complete vertical mixing







## Mid field zone

May continue for a very long distance, horizontal mixing prevails





stretching down the river until complete lateral mixing occurs









#### Far field zone



Tracer test performed in a natural Narew River in the North-East of Poland, June 2005; after complete mixing along the river width



starting after the complete mixing along the depth and width of the channel





See details: <u>Kalinowska M. B.</u>, Rowiński, P. M., (2015). Thermal pollution in rivers – modelling of the spread of thermal plumes". *Rivers – physical, fluvial and environmental processes*, Springer

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### 2D równanie transportu masy

uśrednione wzdłuż głębokości
 2D równanie adwekcji-dyfuzji:



#### 2D równanie transportu masy



Jakiekolwiek uproszczenia prowadzące do pominięcia pozadiagonalnych składowych tensora wprowadzają błąd



#### 2D równanie transportu masy

Skupia wszystkie problemy modelowania hydrodynamicznego:

- określenie pola prędkości
- geometria
- dane wejściowe
- weryfikacja
- metody numeryczne



#### Uproszczenia

Quasi obrót • Przekształcenie tożsamościowe

#### Obrót wektora



#### Uproszczenia

 $D = D_L - D_T, \quad v = \sqrt{v_x^2 + v_y^2}$ 









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#### Ciągły zrzut substancji rozpuszczonej



#### Przykłady obliczeniowe



# Pierwszy przykład obliczeniowy

The computations have been done for the mean low-flows of the river Q = 334 m<sup>3</sup>/s

□All results have been prepared using:

**RivMix** (temperature field) model

 River Mixing Model, developed in Institute of Geophysics Polish Academy of Sciences is the 2D numerical model of the spread of passive pollutants in flowing surface water, solving the 2D advection-diffusion equation with the included off-diagonal dispersion coefficients

CCHE2D (velocity field) model

Developed by NCCHE – National Center for Computational Hydroscience and Engineering is the 2D depth-averaged, unsteady turbulent open channel flow model. The model is based on the depth-averaged Navier-Stokes equations.

**ROOT** (for visualization)

Object Oriented Data Analysis Framework, developed at the European Laboratory for Particle Physics – CERN

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(see details: Kalinowska et al, Acta Geophysica 2012)


### Geometry

- 21 cross-sections of the ca
  28 kilometers of Vistula River reach
  - obtained in 1994 with use of electroacoustic probes
- 9 cross-sections were used in the calculations
  - Preliminary computations showed that the considered stretch of the river may be reduced to 4 km



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#### Geometry

- The averaged distance between two consecutive cross-sections is about 1 km
- 26 additional cross-sections (green lines), have been added



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## **Computational mesh**

2D computational grid and the bed profile have been prepared using the CCHE\_MESH generator



measured cross-sections

cross-sections

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### Uncertainty in computations

Problems encountered during solving the practical cases:

- limited data and information
- measurement errors
- simplification of transport equation
- errors introduced by the models used in the calculation, numerical errors
- geometry
  - insufficient number of the measured cross-sections
  - interpolation procedures
- setting the initial and boundary conditions
- determination of coefficients
  - dispersion coefficients

(see details: Kalinowska & Rowiński, HESSD 2012)

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#### Determination of dispersion coefficients

Dispersion coefficients are essential for the solution of the transport equation

- controlling the rate of mixing
- □ the most important and the most difficult to determine factors

In general case in Cartesian coordinates the dispersion coefficients form a nondiagonal dispersion tensor:

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} D_{xx} & D_{xy} \\ D_{yx} & D_{yy} \end{bmatrix}$$

 $D_L$  longitudinal dispersion coefficient  $D_T$  transverse dispersion coefficient

The best source of information about the dispersion coefficients for an actual river is a tracer experiment



#### **Determination of dispersion coefficients**



 Any kind of simplifications, which lead to omitting the off diagonal components, introduce some (possibly serious) error

(see details: Rowiński & Kalinowska, River Flow 2006)

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I – with the proper way of dispersion tensor computation,

II – while the off-diagonal elements of dispersion tensor are omitted,

III – while the dispersion coefficients DL and DT are treated as a vector

Temperature increase distribution in case of continuous discharge in the middle of the channel at point Z1 = (1850m, 800m) across the cross-sections located at 250 and 500 m from the discharge point



#### **Determination of dispersion coefficients**



Transverse dispersion coefficient  $D_{\tau}$  for the considered reach of the Vistula River calculated using several formulae (taking into account different hydraulic parameters).

## Conclusions

- Solving practical problems concerning the threats caused by heated water discharged into a river usually we deal with the limited data, time and finances, therefore the simplifications of the problem are often inevitable.
- Some of those simplifications are admissible under certain conditions, but some cause unacceptable errors.
- The simplifications of dispersion coefficients may influence the obtained results. The resulting error appears both in temperature distribution shapes and in the values of temperature increase when the dispersion tensor is not compute in the proper way.
- The determination of longitudinal and transverse dispersion coefficients may be difficult in particular case.
- Detailed information can be found in:

□ Kalinowska et al., 2012; Acta Geophysica, 60(1), 214-231

", Scenarios of the spread of a waste heat discharge in a river – Vistula River case study";

Kalinowska & Rowiński, Hydrology and Earth System Sciences, Vol.16, No.11, 4177-4190, 2012

",Uncertainty in computations of the spread of warm water in river – lessons from environmental impact assessment".



## Drugi przykład







## Study area



http://maps.geoportal.gov.pl/

The cooling water discharges sites are being designed to minimize heat effects on local fish communities and the proposed model is supposed to aid this designing strategy.



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Discharge of warm water with constant intensity of 9 m<sup>3</sup>/s;

**Temperature** of discharged water:

- 8°C higher than the temperature of ambient river water;
- □ does not exceed 35°C.



## Rating curves for low flows at *Port Praski* (km 513,3, Pz = 76,067 m n.p.m. Kr)



## Study area

#### Computational mesh, Q = 200 m<sup>3</sup>/s



http://maps.geoportal.gov.pl/

The computations have been performed for the mean low-flows of the river Q = 200 m<sup>3</sup>/s



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#### Vistula reach where computations based on CCHE2D were performed



#### Landsat 7 picture

Courtesy of Global Land Cover Facility, Institute for Advanced Computer Studies, University of Maryland, College Park, USA



#### **Computational Results**



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#### Results – summer time

□ Averaged summer temperature in Vistula River: 22.7°C
 □ Temperature of discharged water: 30.7°C (ΔT = 8°C)



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Finally the source function Q will be a sum of all functions describing heating or cooling processes taken into account:





#### Heat exchange with the atmosphere

A huge amount of heat exchange between water and its environment occurs through the water/air interface



#### Heat exchange with the atmosphere

The heat flux results from the energy balance at the water-air interface



#### Heat exchange with the atmosphere $Q_A = q_s + q_a - q_b \pm q_e \pm q_h = f(T_w, T_a, Rh, p_a, q_{SR}, u)$



10.16 00:00

10.16 08:00

10.16 16:00

10.17 00:00



Sample data measured for the River Narew in Poland



Source of data: Institute of Geopchysics PAS, and http://npn.meteo.com.pl/



#### Heat exchange with the atmosphere



Heat flux terms calculated for the Narew River case study on 16th of October 2013 The meteorological data used for calculation have been obtained from the nearest meteorological station: Narew National Park Weather Station

## Importance of input data $Q_A = f(T_w, T_a, Rh, p_a, q_{SR}, u)$

Percentage of relative sensitivity coefficient



- $q_{SR}$  shortwave solar radiation
- $T_w$  water temperature

 $Q_A$  – net heat flux

#### Long wave atmospheric radiation

The long-wave atmospheric radiation depends on the atmospheric emissivity, for which many formulae have been obtained.



Long-wave atmospheric radiation heat flux for case study on the Narew River on 16<sup>th</sup> of October 2013 with different formulae for atmospheric emissivity. The meteorological data used for calculation have been obtained from a) Narew National Park Weather Station; b) IGF UW Meteorological observatory (http://metobs.igf.fuw.edu.pl/); 2 and 160 km from the case study area respectively.



## Data problem

- Data are usually obtained from local meteorological stations
- But conditions on the river banks may differ significantly from those at the location of these meteorological stations
- The river may be in a valley or may be sheltered from the wind and sun by a large number of trees
- The conditions may also significantly vary along the river channel

#### Johnson (2004), Can. J. Fish. Aquat. Sci. Vol. 61

**Fig. 7.** Heat energy budgets for 1200, 20 July 1997, in the bedrock reach: (*a*) full sun, the sum of fluxes is 580 W·m<sup>-2</sup> towards the stream; (*b*) under shade, the sum of fluxes is 149 W·m<sup>-2</sup> away from the stream.



Inaccurate calculations of heat fluxes here may introduce larger error in the final results than their omission.

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### **Evaporation and condensation**



Evaporation and condensation heat flux for the Narew River case study calculated based on different formulae for the wind speed function.



### Longwave back water radiation



Difference in temperature change caused by long-wave back water radiation when the water temperate is 3 or 7°C higher than natural water temperature (solid lines) or when different water emissivity coefficients: 0.93 or 0.99 are used (dashed line).



#### Results after 3600 s

### RivMix – Case study

Calculation of the temperature increase  $\Delta T$  in the mid-field zone (in short time scale ~hours)

#### Without Q<sub>A</sub> $Z_1 = (1850, 800), \Delta x = \Delta y = 10 \text{ m}, \Delta t = 1 \text{ s}$ $D_L = 500 \text{ h u}_{\star} \text{ [m^2/s]}, D_{\star} = 0.600 \text{ h u}_{\star} \text{ [m^2/s]}, t = 3600 \text{ s}$ **∆T[°C**] Ξ 3.00 - 7.00 ≻4500 2.50 - 3.00 4000 2.00 - 2.50 3500 1.50 - 2.00 3000 1.25 - 1.50 2500 1.00 - 1.25 2000 0.75 - 1.00 0.50 - 0.75 1500 0.25 - 0.50 1000 0.10 - 0.25 500 0.00 - 0.10 ٥Ľ 3000 2500 500 1500 2000 1000 X [m]

#### With exemplary Q<sub>A</sub>



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#### **Results for different way of computation of dispersion coefficients**





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### Conclusions

□ The form of the source term very much depends on the considered case.

The decision which of the processes should be considered in the given equation must be made taking into account:

- the process significance,
- the temporal and space scale of the process,
- and the availability of data necessary to calculate the heat exchange with suitable accuracy.
- In practical applications, most of processes, especially if we are interested in the situation of water temperature changes following the introduction of thermal pollution to the river, can be neglected at short temporal and spatial scales.
- The situation is different if the time scale of the phenomenon is long and diurnal or seasonal changes are important.

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