

ENVSE 408 Guide for Assignment 1.

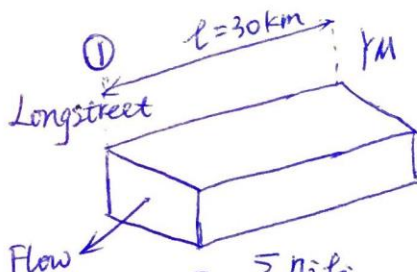
Part 1-3.

First, evaluate the darcy velocity $v_d = -K \frac{dh}{dx}$.

where $K = \rho g \frac{k}{\mu}$ is the hydraulic conductivity.

The advective velocity can be calculated as $v_a = \frac{v_d}{n}$.

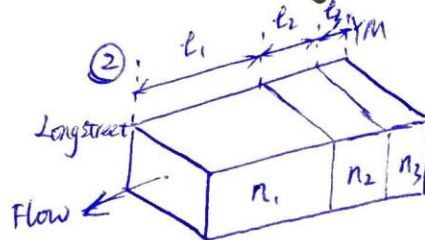
Note that v_a is the actual rate at which the contaminant is moving downstream. (n is porosity)



$$n = \bar{n} = \frac{\sum n_i l_i}{\sum l_i}$$

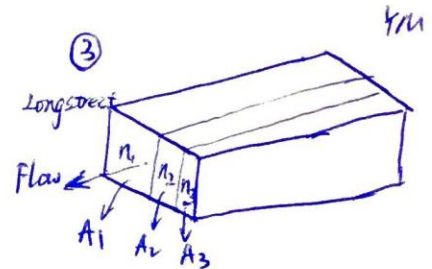
$$v_a = \frac{v_d}{\bar{n}}$$

$$t_b = \frac{l}{v_a}$$



v_a is different for the 3 segments.

$$t_b = t_1 + t_2 + t_3$$



v_a is different for the 3 stream tubes, thus they have different breakthrough times.

Discharges can be obtained by $\frac{Q}{A} = -K \frac{dh}{dx} = v_d$.

Part 5.

Darcy velocities change proportionately to permeability, so do the advective velocities.

In parallel, discharges also change with permeability.

$$v_d = -K \frac{dh}{dx} = \frac{Q}{A}$$