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1 Introduction

The education of students in the field of water resources management requires – besides theoretical lectures – practical exercises in laboratories to strengthen the knowledge on hydraulic fundamentals and interrelationships. Examples of necessary equipment and tools for laboratories are presented in the following chapters stated below:

- Fundamental fluid mechanics and hydraulics
- Groundwater flow and soil physics
- Water sanitation and treatment
- Hydrology
- Software used in water resources management

According to the introduced tools WB partner HEIs will identify their needed resources and prepare lists of laboratory equipment, software and literature.

2 Fundamental fluid mechanics and hydraulics

Fluid mechanics deal with physical principles of fluids and the forces on them and can be divided into fluid statics and fluid dynamics. Focusing on incompressible fluids (e.g. water) it is generally denoted as hydrostatics and hydrodynamics. Due to the fact that the analytical description of hydromechanic processes is not always possible, empirical approaches have been established leading to the term of hydraulics.

2.1 Fluid properties and hydrostatics

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Practical exercises on basic principles of fluid mechanics should include the determination of fluid properties (e.g. density, specific gravity, viscosity, etc.), the investigation of the effects of static pressure, the operation and application of pressure gauges and manometers as well as the investigation of the buoyancy force and stability of floating bodies.

Teaching equipment covering the mentioned requirements are e.g. "F9092 Fluid Properties & Hydrostatics Bench – Issue 14" (Armfield, 2019) and "HM 115 Hydrostatics trainer" (Gunt, 2019) and are depicted in Figure 1. Independent of the company the modular design of the teaching equipment allows for a continuous upgrade.



Figure 1: Fluid properties and hydrostatics – Teaching equipment a) F9092 Armfield b) HM 115 Gunt



2.2 Fluid dynamics

In the course of practical exercises on fluid dynamics the Bernoulli's principle, the momentum equation and the Reynolds experiment should be presented.

The mentioned principles can be presented during experiments for example using the "F1-series" (Armfield, 2019) or the "HM 150-series" of Gunt (2019). Figure 2 shows the module "F1-15 Bernoulli's Theorem Demonstration – Issue 19" and the module "HM 150.18 Osborne Reynolds experiment", depicted exemplarily for this practical exercise. It is recalled that independent of the company the base module is a necessary requirement for all teaching tools.





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Figure 2: Fluid dynamics – Teaching equipment a) F1-15 Armfield b) HM 150.18 Gunt

2.3 Open channel flow

Basic principles of open channel flow including the understanding of sub- and supercritical flows, the enforcement of a hydraulic jump, the usage of hydraulic structures for flow control, the implementation of weirs and the application of Manning's formula should be highlighted in this practical exercise.

Teaching equipment covering the mentioned requirements are for instance "C4MKII Multi-Purpose Teaching Flume - Issue 2" (Armflied, 2019) and "HM 160 Experimental flume" (Gunt, 2019), which are depicted in Figure 3.





Figure 3: Open channel flow – Teaching equipment a) C4MKII Armfield b) HM 160 Gunt

2.4 Flow in pipes

In the course of practical exercises dealing with flow in pipes including pressure losses, shut-off devices and piping elements should be presented.

The mentioned principles can be discussed during experiments using for instance "HM 150.11 Losses in a pipe system" of Gunt (2019), which is depicted in Figure 4. It is recalled that the base module is a prerequisite of the teaching tool.



Figure 4: Flow in pipes – Teaching equipment HM 150.11 Gunt

2.5 Additional topics

Topics, which might be interesting for additional exercises and which require additional teaching equipment are listed below.

- Pump and turbine tests
- Naval Architecture
- Wave Generator
- Sediment transport facilities

2.6 Measuring instruments

Measuring instruments are partially integrated in the above-mentioned equipment. Moreover, Table 1 presents an exemplary list of devices which can additionally be used for determining further parameters during the experiments as well as during monitoring tasks at a river site.



Table 1: Hydraulics measuring instruments

| Device | Information | Measured parameter |
|------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| FlowSens | SEBA Hydrometrie https://www.seba-hydrometrie.com/?L=1 | Discharge |
| M1 Mini current meter | SEBA Hyd rometrie <u>https://www.seba-hyd rometrie.com/?L=1</u> (Counting device required) | Discharge |
| Teledyne RD Instruments RiverPro ADCP | SEBA Hydrometrie <u>https://www.seba-hydrometrie.com/?L=1</u> (Miniboat required) | Discharge |

3 Water sanitation and treatment

Depending on the quality of water different processes are necessary to consider in the scope of water sanitation as well as water treatment. The broad range of operation units needed for removing substances can be classified in mechanical, biological and physical/chemical processes.

3.1 Mechanical processes

The most common mechanical methods are flotation, sedimentation and filtration, which are all used for removing solid particles.

Practical exercises dealing with mechanical methods should include the treatment with dissolved air flotation (e.g.: CE 587 (Gunt, 2019), Figure 5a), the separation in sedimentation tanks (e.g.: W7MkII (Armfield, 2019)) and the treatment using depth filtration (e.g.: EFLPC (Edibon, 2019), Figure 5b).





3.2 Biological processes

In general biological processes are used to degrade dissolved organic substances and are classified into anaerobic and aerobic processes, whereby the aerobic processes are grouped in biofilms and activated sludge methods.



The mentioned principles can be presented during experiments using for instance "CE 705 Activated sludge process" of Gunt (2019), which is depicted in Figure 6a, or using the simplified system "W11 Aerobic Digester Issue 7", which is offered by Armfield (2019) (Figure 6b).

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Figure 6: Biological processes – Teaching equipment a) CE 705 Gunt b) W11 Armfield

3.3 Physical/chemical processes

The removal of dissolved inorganic and non-biodegradable substances in water is done by physical and chemical processes including adsorption, membrane separation processes, ion exchange, flocculation as well as chemical oxidation.

Teaching equipment covering the mentioned processes are provided by Armfield (2019), Gunt (2019) and Edibon (2019). Figure 7 exemplary depicts the operation unit "EII Ion Exchange Unit" (Edibon, 2019) and "CE 530 Reverse osmosis" (Gunt, 2019).



Figure 7: Physical/chemical processes – Teaching equipment a) Ell Edibon b) CE 530 Gunt

3.4 Integrated solutions

Due to the fact that water usually contains several substances with different properties, a single process is not sufficient to remove all of them. Therefore water treatment plants are commonly designed in several stages.



So-called multistage water treatment plants including several mentioned processes are offered by Gunt (2019). Independent of the multistage approach, a self-made combination of several processes in practical exercises is also possible using the appropriate toolkits.

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3.5 Drinking water

A pilot plant for drinking water including a reverse osmoses membrane is depicted in Figure 8, which is offered by J&F water treatment (2019). A wide range of different membrane units is also provided by Convergence (2019).



Figure 8: Drinking water – Ecosoft commercial reverse osmosis system MO 6500

3.6 Measuring instruments

Measuring instruments are partially integrated in the above-mentioned equipment. Moreover, Table 2 presents a list of devices which can additionally be used for determining further parameters during the experiments as well as during monitoring tasks at a water sanitation or treatment plant. The use of these devices was reported by NMBU.

| Device | Information | Measured parameter |
|---------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2100N | Hach Lange https://at.hach.com/trubungsmessgerate/21 00q-portables- trubungsmessgerat/family?productCategory Id=25046168552 | Turbidity |
| 8800 ICP-QQQ | Agilent <u>https://www.agilent.com/en/products/icp-</u> <u>ms/icp-ms-systems/8800-triple-quadrupole-</u> <u>icp-ms</u> | Nearly all elements in periodic table but no speciation, i.e. It can't distinguish between As(3) and As(5) |
| Conductivity meters | WTW | Conductivity and salinity |

Table 2: Water sanitation and treatment measuring instruments



| | | 1 |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| | https://www.wtw.com/en/products/product -catalog/lab-products/conductivity/portable- meters.html | |
| DR3900 | Hach Lange https://de.hach.com/dr3900- spektralphotometer-mit-rfid- technologie/product?id=23358295122 | COD-Cr (Dichromate method) Chemical oxygen demand |
| Easychem plus | Systea http://www.systea.it/index.php?lang=en | NH4, NO2, NO3, PO4, Tot- Nitrogen, total-Phosphorous etc. Wet chemistry parameters by Spectrophotmetric determination and it is also possible to set up new methods |
| Fluorometer 10-AU | Turner designs https://www.turnerdesigns.com/10au-field- laboratory-fluorometer | Fluorescence |
| IDEXX tests | IDEXX https://www.idexx.co.uk/en- gb/water/products/ | E-coli, Colilert, Enterolert etc. Bacteria |
| LE 14/11 Muffle furnace | Nabertherm https://www.labunlimited.com/s/ALL/4AJ- 9764541/Nabertherm-Compact-Muffle- Furnaces-LE-14-11-B150-LE140K1BN | TOC-LOI Total organic carbon - Loss of ignition method |
| Microscopes, imagine center | NMBU https://www.nmbu.no/en/services/centers/i maging-centre/equipment | Overview of possible microscopes |
| Model PCA | Micrometrix https://micrometrix.com/index.php/particle- charge-analyzer-model-pca/ | Particle charges |
| Oxitop | WTW https://www.wtw.com/en/products/product -categories/benchtop-meters/oxitopr- measuring-systems/oxitopr-is.html | BOD (Biological oxygen demand) |
| PeCOD | Mantech https://mantech-inc.com/analysis- systems/chemical-oxygen-demand/ | COD (Pecod method) Chemical oxygen demand |
| pH meters | WTW/VWR https://www.wtw.com/de/produkte/produk tklassen/labormessgeraete/inolabr- labormessgeraete/inolabr-ph-7110.html | рН |
| QuickCODlab | LAR https://www.lar.com/products/cod- analysis/cod-analyzer-quickcodlab.html | TOD (Total oxygen demand) |
| Skalar San++ | Skalar https://www.skalar.com/analyzers/automat ed-wet-chemistry-analyzers/ | Chemistry Analyzer |
| Titrator | Metler Toledo https://www.mt.com/at/de/home/products/ | Titration unit that can be connected to micrometrix |



| | Laboratory_Analytics_Browse/Product_Fami_ ly_Browse_titrators_main.html | РСА |
|------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Zetasizer nano Z | Malvern https://www.malvernpanalytical.com/en/pr oducts/product-range/zetasizer- range/zetasizer-nano-range/zetasizer-nano- Z | Zetapo ten tial |
| Zetasizer WT | Malvern https://www.malvernpanalytical.com/en/pr oducts/product-range/zetasizer- range/zetasizer-wt | Zetapo ten tial |

4 Groundwater flow and soil physics

The definition of groundwater flow is given by the flow, which has infiltrated into the ground and is transported through an aquifer. The flow is strongly influenced by the surrounding soil, which requires a particular coverage of this issue.

4.1 Groundwater flow

Practical exercises on groundwater flow should include the determination of the groundwater level, the adjustment of the groundwater level via wells, the measurement of flow in excavation pits and the analysis of concentric loads on the substrate.

The mentioned principles can be presented during experiments using for instance "HM 167 Groundwater flow" of Gunt (2019), which is depicted in Figure 9.



Figure 9: Groundwater flow – Teaching equipment HM 167 Gunt

4.2 Seepage flow

The demonstration of seepage and groundwater flow is possible through the visualization of streamlines using injections of contrast mediums.

Teaching equipment ("HM 169 Visualization of seepage flows") covering the mentioned processes are provided by Gunt (2019) and are depicted in Figure 10.







Figure 10: Seepage flow – Teaching equipment HM 169 Gunt

4.3 Soil physics

Practical exercises on the determination of soil physics broaden the horizon of upcoming water resource managers. In cooperation with soil scientists, geotechnicians or geologists the courses might be offered including the determination of grain size distributions, soil densities and hydraulic conductivities.

4.4 Measuring instruments

Measuring instruments are partially integrated in the above-mentioned equipment. Moreover, Table 3 presents an exemplary list of devices, which can additionally be used for determining further parameters during the experiments as well as during monitoring tasks in the field.

| Device | Information | Measured parameter |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| Double ring infiltrometer | UGT <u>https://www.ugt-</u> <u>online.de/en/products/soil-</u> <u>science/conductivity/doppelringinfiltromete</u> <u>r/</u> | Water infiltration |
| Permeameter | Eijkelkamp <u>https://en.eijkelkamp.com/products/laborat</u> ory-equipment/ | Permeability factor (k-factor) |
| Lysimeter | UGT <u>https://www.ugt-</u> <u>online.de/en/products/lysimeter-</u> <u>technology/</u> | Water balance (e.g. evapotranspiration) |
| Soil sample ring sets | UGT <u>https://www.ugt-</u> <u>online.de/en/products/soil-science/soil-</u> <u>sampling/stechzylinder-entnahme-set/</u> | Soil physics in undisturbed soil samples |
| Tensiometer | UGT https://www.ugt- | Water tension |

Table 3: Groundwater flow and soil physics measuring instruments



| | online.de/en/products/soil- science/tensiometers/ | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| UMP-2, SMT-100, TRIME-PICO, etc. | UGT <u>https://www.ugt-</u> <u>online.de/en/products/soil-science/soil-</u> <u>moisture/</u> | Soil moisture, soil temperature and conductivity |

5 Hydrology

Hydrological processes effected by rainfall of varying duration and including seepage flow as well as runoff in rivers should be highlighted in subject-related practical exercises. Additionally, mass transport at hillside locations as well as in rivers can also be considered.

5.1 Studies in hydrology

Surface and groundwater flows are strongly related to rainfall and infiltration processes. Unique operation units are designed to investigate the impact of rainfall and infiltration on the earth surface.

The aforementioned principles can be presented during experiments using for instance "HM 145 Advanced hydrological investigations" of Gunt (2019), which is depicted in Figure 11a, or using the simplified system "FEL3 Rainfall Simulator - Issue 1", which is offered by Armfield (2019) (Figure 11b).



Figure 11: Studies in hydrology – Teaching equipment a) HM 145 Gunt b) FEL3 Armfield

5.2 Sediment transport

Sediment transport in rivers is becoming increasingly important in the course of water resource management. Therefore the sediment-related processes should be investigated in the course of practical exercises.

Teaching equipment covering the mentioned requirements are "CAS Sediment Transport Demonstration Channel" (Edibon, 2019) and "HM 140 Open-channel sediment transport" (Gunt, 2019), which are depicted in Figure 12.





Figure 12: Sediment transport – Teaching equipment a) CAS Edibon b) HM 140 Gunt

5.3 Measuring instruments

Instruments needed for hydrological investigations are also used in related research fields (hydraulics, groundwater flows, etc.) and are listed in the respective chapters. Moreover, Table 4 presents an exemplary list of devices which can additionally be used for determining further parameters during the experiments as well as during monitoring tasks in the field. The main focus is given to instruments measuring meteorological parameters, which are the basis for hydrological processes.

Table 4: Hydrology measuring instruments

| Device | Information | Measured parameter |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Air an alysis | UGT <u>https://www.ugt-</u> <u>online.de/en/products/meteorology/air-</u> <u>analysis/</u> | Air constituents |
| Radiation | UGT <u>https://www.ugt-</u> <u>online.de/en/products/meteorology/radiatio</u> <u>n-sensors/</u> | Radiant flux density |
| Rain gauges | UGT <u>https://www.ugt-</u> <u>online.de/en/products/meteorology/rain-</u> <u>gauges/</u> | Amount of rain |
| Temperature and moisture sensors | UGT <u>https://www.ugt-</u> <u>online.de/en/products/meteorology/temper</u> <u>ature-and-moisture-sensors/</u> | Air temperature, soil temperature and moisture, humidity |
| Weather station UGT | UGT <u>https://www.ugt-</u> <u>online.de/en/products/meteorology/weathe</u> <u>r-station/wetterstation-ugt/</u> | No measurement, station including data logger for connecting different sensors |
| Wind and baro transmitters | UGT <u>https://www.ugt-</u> <u>online.de/en/products/meteorology/wind-</u> <u>and-baro-transmitters/</u> | Wind direction and speed |

6 Software used in water resources management

The application of software is becoming increasingly important in water resources management. An overview of well-known products in different fields is given in the forthcoming sub-chapters.

6.1 Hydraulics and hydrodynamics

In general, hydraulic and hydrodynamic simulations are grouped into piping system calculations and free surface simulations, which are additionally classified into 1D-, 2D- and 3D-numerical models. Table 5 gives an overview of different software products. Simulation exercises using piping system calculations and 1D (and 2D) free surface calculations are usually considered appropriate for master students.

Software products Information Piping system calculation Applied Flow Technology AFT Fathom https://www.aft.com/products Environmental Protection Agency EPANET https://www.epa.gov/water-research/epanet Flite Software NI Ltd Fluidflow http://fluidflowinfo.com/products/incompressible-flow/ **Pipe Flow Software Pipe Flow Software** https://www.pipeflow.com/ Free surface calculation US Army Corps of Engineers HEC-RAS (1D) https://www.hec.usace.army.mil/software/hec-ras/ DHI Water and Environment MIKE 11 (1D) https://www.mikepoweredbydhi.com/products/mike-11 Hydroconsult WASPI (1D) https://www.hydroconsult.net/software/waspi-sms-tools-1/ National Center for Computational Hydroscience and Engineering CCHE2D-Flow (2D) https://www.ncche.olemiss.edu/cche2d-flw-model/ FLO-2D Software FLO-2D (2D) https://www.flo-2d.com/ Hydrotec, Dr. Nujic / Scientific Software Group Hydro_As-2D/SMS (2D) https://www.hydrotec.de/software/hydro-as-2d/ https://www.hydrotec.de/software/support/downloads/sms-downloads/ DHI Water and Environment MIKE FLOOD (2D) https://www.mikepoweredbydhi.com/products/mike-flood Laboratoire d'Hydraulique of EDF TELEMAC-2D (2D) http://www.opentelemac.org/index.php/presentation?id=17 ANSYS Inc. ANSYS Fluent (3D)

https://www.ansys.com/products/fluids/ansys-fluent

Table 5: Hydraulics simulation software



| Delft3D (3D) | Deltares https://oss.deltares.nl/web/delft3d |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| FLOW-3D (3D) | Flow Science Inc. https://www.flow3d.com/ |
| RSim-3D (3D) | Dr. Tritthart (2005) http://www.wau.boku.ac.at/en/iwa/ |
| TELEMAC-3D (3D) | Laboratoire d'Hydraulique of EDF http://www.opentelemac.org/index.php/presentation?id=18 |

6.2 Hydrology

Conceptual models are used for investigating the hydrological balance in entire river basins. Less attention is paid to physical characteristics of rivers (e.g. flow velocities, water depths, etc.) than on changes of long-term time series (e.g. run-off, etc.) and reservoir storages based on changes in the environment (e.g. climate, agriculture, etc.).

Table 6: Hydrology software

| Software products | Information |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Hydrology | |
| COSERO | Eder et al. (2005) |
| HBV | SMHI Swedish Meteorological and Hydrological Institute https://www.smhi.se/en/research/research-departments/hydrology/hbv- <u>1.90007</u> |
| HEC-HMS | Hydrologic Engineering Center - Hydrologic Modeling System https://www.hec.usace.army.mil/software/hec-hms/ |
| HSPF | Environmental Protection Agency https://www.epa.gov/ceam/hydrological-simulation-program-fortran-hspf |
| HYSIM | Water Resource Associates https://www.watres.com/software/HYSIM/ |
| LARSIM | LARSIM-En twicklergemeinschaft http://www.larsim.info/das-modell/ |
| MIKE SHE | DHI Water and Environment https://www.mikepoweredbydhi.com/products/mike-she |
| WaSiM | HSC J. Schulla http://www.wasim.ch/en/index.html |

6.3 Decision making

Frequently used products for integrated water resources management are decision support systems (DSS) using a wide range of information building as fundamental basis for any kind of decision. A conceptual overview of a decision support system is depicted in Figure 13.





Figure 13: Decision support system (Giupponi & Sgobbi, 2013)

An overview of examples of existing products is given in Table 7.

Table 7: DSS software

| Software products | Information |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Decision Support System | |
| MIKE OPERATIONS | DHI Water and Environment https://www.mikepoweredbydhi.com/areas-of-application/mike-operations |
| Nile DSS | Georgakakos (2007) |
| WEAP | Stockholm Environment Institute's U.S. Center https://www.weap21.org/index.asp?NewLang=EN |

6.4 Sediment transport

Simulation of sediment transport in rivers is becoming increasingly important in the course of water resources management. However, the application of sediment transport models is currently still mostly restricted to scientific applications and environments. A number of the hydrodynamics models listed in section xx feature also sediment transport modules which can be activated on demand. Moreover, there are tailor-made sediment transport and morphodynamics models, which are exemplarily presented in Table 8.



Table 8: Sediment transport software

| Software products | Information |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sediment transport | |
| D-Morphology | Deltares https://www.deltares.nl/en/software/module/d-morphology/ |
| HEC-RAS (1D) | US Army Corps of Engineers https://www.hec.usace.army.mil/software/hec-ras/ |
| HYDRO_FT-2D | Hydrotec <u>https://www.hydrotec.de/software/hydro-as-2d/hydro_ft-2d-</u> <u>transportprozesse/</u> |
| iSed | Tritthart et al. (2011) http://www.wau.boku.ac.at/en/iwa/ |

6.5 Water treatment

Mechanical, chemical, physical and biological processes in water treatment are considered in simulations of water treatment plants. The use of the following software products enables the prediction of changes in the treatment process due to various external influences (e.g. increased organic or hydraulic loading, changes in process management, failure of machines, etc.).

Table 9: Water treatment software

| Software products | Information |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Water treatment | |
| AqMB | AqMB Pty Ltd. https://aqmb.net/ |
| ASIM | Eawag aquatic research https://www.eawag.ch/en/department/eng/software/ |
| GPS-X | Hydromantis ESS, Inc. http://www.hydromantis.com/GPSX.html |
| SIMBA# | inCTRL Solutions https://www.inctrl.ca/software/simba/ |
| WEST | DHI Water and Environment https://www.mikepoweredbydhi.com/products/west |
| STOAT | http://www.wrcplc.co.uk/ps-stoat |



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The present study includes a comprehensive overview of equipment and software used in practical exercises in the field of water resources management. These exercises are a fundamental basis within higher education in the aforementioned discipline to strengthen the knowledge of hydraulic fundamentals and interrelationships.

Some equipment sets introduced in this report are based on modules, which can be expanded as required. This structure allows a cost-efficient acquisition as well as a demand-oriented adjustment of the exercises.

Instruments used for monitoring data related to water resource management (e.g. devices for measuring flow velocities, water depths, pH-values, oxygen concentration, etc.) are briefly introduced.

It is noted that software products used in water resource management might need commercial licenses, which are often reduced in price for educational purposes. A possible interface to common software products (e.g. ArcGIS, AutoCAD, etc.) should be considered when acquiring new software products.



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