# **UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND Faculty of Health Sciences Department of Environmental Health Science**

### **BSc Environmental Health Science**

## **MAIN EXAMINATION PAPER MAY 2014**

TITLE OF PAPER : WATER DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE

**COURSE CODE** : EHS 587

**DURATION** : 2 HOURS

**MARKS** : 100

**INSTRUCTIONS**: THERE ARE FIVE QUESTIONS IN THIS EXAM

: ANSWER ANY FOUR OUT OF THE FIVE QUESTIONS

: EACH QUESTION CARRIES A MAXIMUM OF 25 MARKS

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QUESTION	ONE	(25)	Marks)
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(Note each question below carries 5 marks)

- A. Define i) infiltration ii) inflow iii) combined sewer overflows.
- **B.** Describe with the help of a sketch the following structures: i) Manholes ii) Inlets iii) Inverted siphons iv) Sewer outlets and sewer outfalls.
- C. Explain how the laying out of sewer is made under the condition that the sewer has to be laid above a water supply pipe because of constraints imposed by gravity flow.
- **D.** Explain why a combined sewer system may not be appropriate for towns with rainfall intensities that are high and rainfall concentrated in few months like in monsoon climates.
- **E.** Describe Outline the problems associated with long length of sewers and state how these problems may be overcome.

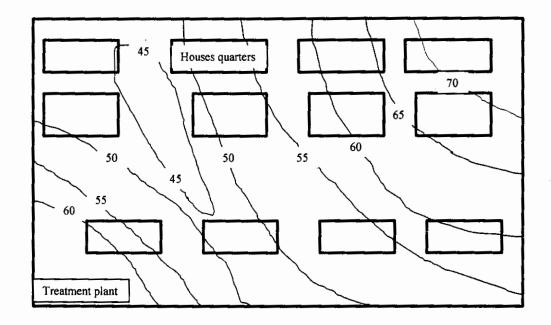
#### **QUESTION TWO (25 Marks)**

- C. You are required to design wastewater flows for a town having an area of 2000 ha. The residential area is 65% of the total area, whereas commercial and industrial areas are 25% and 10% of the total area, respectively. Of the residential area, 45% are large lots, 50% small single-family lots and 5% multistory apartments. The population densities are 10 persons per hectare for the large lots, 80 persons per hectare for small single family lots and 2600 persons per hectare for multi-story apartments. The wastewater from the residential area is estimated to be 700 lpcd. The sewage from commercial and industrial areas is estimated to be 20000 L/ha/d and 35000 L/ha/d, respectively. Calculate:

#### **QUESTION THREE (25 Marks)**

- A. In the following Map (scale 1:1000): houses quarters, contour lines and the treatment plant location are shown:

  - ii) Indicate the location of pumping station if needed. ..... [5 Marks]



- **B.** A sanitary sewer with a design flow of 0.284 m<sup>3</sup>/sec enters manhole A. The distance downstream to the next manhole B is 122 meters. The finished street surface elevation at manhole A is 50.72 m and that at manhole B is 50.11 m. For manning's n = 0.013 and using the partial flow diagram shown in Figure Q3-1 over page find;

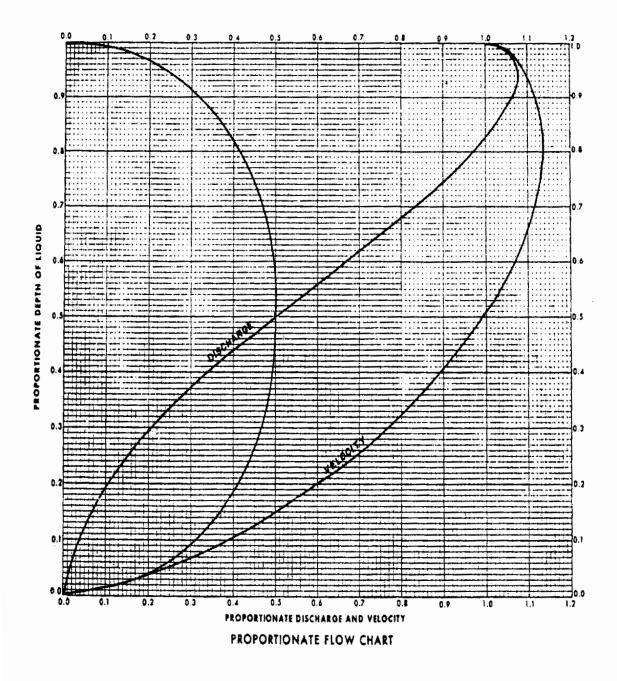


Figure Q3-1 Partial flow graph for Sewer flow calculation

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(Note: each question carries 5 marks)

- A. Discuss in detail how urbanization affects the local hydrology of a given catchment.
- B. Discuss the advantages of wetlands in an urban drainage context.
- C. Describe retention ponds and indicate how drainage water may be fed to retention ponds.
- D. Describe swales and the function it provides in urban drainage context.
- E. Discuss the importance of groundwater recharge of drainage water in coastal areas.

#### **QUESTION FIVE (25 Marks)**

A steep drainage channel drains in to an impounding reservoir whose water level behind the dam is 5 meters. The flow rate in the drainage channel is 50 m<sup>3</sup>/sec. The channel slope is 5<sup>0</sup>. The channel is of rectangular cross section of width 10 meters throughout the channel length. The roughness height of the channel surface (K<sub>s</sub>) is 5 mm. The Darcy-Weisbach friction factor can be taken as 0.015 and the flow is fully turbulent.