

Worksheet 11. Computations of velocity using various methods (Rosgen and Silvey, 2005).

Bankfull VELOCITY / DISCHARGE Estimates					
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Date	Stream Type		Party	Ref. Rch. Page #	
INPUT VARIABLES			OUTPUT VARIABLES		
Bankfull Cross-section AREA		A_{bkf} (SqFt)	Bankfull Mean DEPTH $D_{bkf} = A_{bkf} / W_{bkf}$		D_{bkf} (Ft)
Bankfull WIDTH		W_{bkf} (Ft)	Wetted Perimeter $\sim 2 * D_{bkf} + W_{bkf}$		$W_{p_{bkf}}$ (Ft)
D84 @ Riffle		Dia. (mm)	D84 mm / 304.8 =		D84 (Ft)
Bankfull SLOPE (riffle)		S (Ft/Ft)	Hydraulic Radius $A_{bkf} / W_{p_{bkf}}$		R (Ft)
Gravitational Acceleration		g (Ft/Sec ²)	R (Ft) / D84 (Ft)		
Drainage AREA		DA (SqMi)	Shear Velocity: $u_* = \sqrt{gRS}$		U_* (Ft/Sec)
ESTIMATION METHODS			Bankfull VELOCITY	Bankfull DISCHARGE	
1. Friction Factor / Relative Roughness $u = \left[2.83 + 5.66 \log \left(\frac{R}{D84} \right) \right] u_*$			Ft/Sec	CFS	
2. Roughness Coefficient: a) Manning's "n" from <i>friction factor / relative roughness</i> . (P188-189)			Ft/Sec	CFS	
2. Roughness Coefficient: b) Manning's "n" from Jarrett (USGS): $n = 0.039 S^{.38} R^{-.16}$ $n =$ $u = 1.4895 * R^{2/3} * S^{1/2} / n$			Ft/Sec	CFS	
2. Roughness Coefficient: c) Manning's "n" from Stream Type $n =$ $u = 1.4895 * R^{2/3} * S^{1/2} / n$			Ft/Sec	CFS	
3. Other Methods, i.e. Hydraulic Geometry; (Darcy-Weisbach, Chezy C, etc.) 			Ft/Sec	CFS	
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4. Continuity Equations: a) Regional Curves: $u = Q / A$			Ft/Sec	CFS	
4. Continuity Equations: b) USGS Gage: $u = Q / A$ Return Period for Bankfull Q = Yr.			Ft/Sec	CFS	