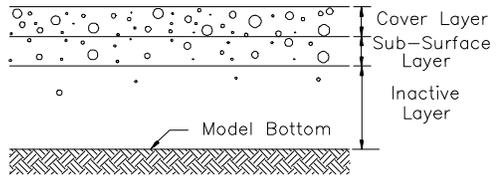

Water Surface



BANK SEDIMENT RESERVOIR The portion of the alluvium on the sides of a channel. See Figure B-2. (Note: HEC-6 only uses the BED SEDIMENT RESERVOIR as the source-sink of material.)

BED FORMS Irregularities found on the bottom (bed) of a stream that are related to flow characteristics. They are given names such as "dunes", "ripples", and "antidunes". They are related to the transport of sediment and interact with the flow because they change the roughness of the stream bed. An analog to stream bed forms are desert sand dunes (although the physical mechanisms for their creation and movement may be different).

BED LAYER An arbitrary term used in various procedures for computation of sediment transport. From observation of slow motion movies of laboratory flume experiments, H. Einstein defined the "bed layer" as: "A flow layer, 2 grain diameters thick, immediately above the bed. The thickness of the bed layer varies with the particle size."

BED LOAD Material moving on or near the stream bed by rolling, sliding, and sometimes making brief excursions into the flow a few diameters above the bed, i.e. jumping. The term "saltation" is sometimes used in place of "jumping". Bed load is bed material that moves in continuous contact with the bed; contrast with SUSPENDED LOAD.

BED LOAD DISCHARGE The quantity of bed load passing a cross section in a unit of time, i.e. the rate. Usually presented in units of tons per day. May be measured or computed. See BED LOAD.

BED MATERIAL The sediment mixture of which the moving bed is composed. In alluvial streams, bed material particles are likely to be moved at any moment or during some future flow condition. Bed material consists of both bed load and suspended load. Contrast with WASH LOAD.

BED MATERIAL DISCHARGE The total rate (tons/day) at which bed material (see BED MATERIAL) is transported by a given flow at a given location on a stream.

BED MATERIAL LOAD The total rate (tons/day) at which bed material is transported by a given location on a stream. It consists of bed material moving both as bed load and suspended load. Contrast with WASH LOAD.

BEDROCK A general term for the rock, usually solid, that underlies soil or other unconsolidated, bed material.

BED SEDIMENT CONTROL VOLUME The source-sink component of sediment sources in a river system (the other component is the suspended sediment in the inflowing discharge). Its user-defined dimensions are the movable bed width and depth, and the average reach length.

BOUNDARY CONDITIONS Definition or statement of conditions or phenomena at the boundaries. Water surface elevations, flows, sediment concentrations, etc., that are specified at the boundaries of the area being modeled. The downstream water surface elevation and the incoming upstream water and sediment discharges are the standard HEC-6 boundary conditions.

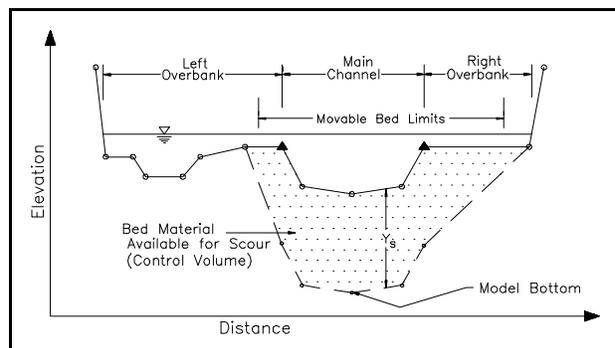


Figure B-2
Sediment Material in the Streambed

BOUNDARY ROUGHNESS The roughness of the bed and banks of a stream or river. The greater the roughness, the greater the frictional resistance to flows; and, hence, the greater the water surface elevation for any given discharge.

BRAIDED CHANNEL A stream that is characterized by random interconnected channels divided by islands or bars. Bars which divide the stream into separate channels at low flows are often submerged at high flow.

CHANNEL A natural or artificial waterway which periodically or continuously contains moving water.

CHANNEL INVERT The lowest point in the channel.

CHANNEL STABILIZATION A stable channel is neither progressively aggrading nor degrading, or changing its cross-sectional area through time. It could aggrade or degrade slightly, but over the period of a year, the channel would remain similar in shape and dimensions and position to previous times. Unstable channels are depositing or eroding in response to some exterior conditions. Stabilization techniques consist of bank protection and other measures that work to transform an unstable channel into a stable one.

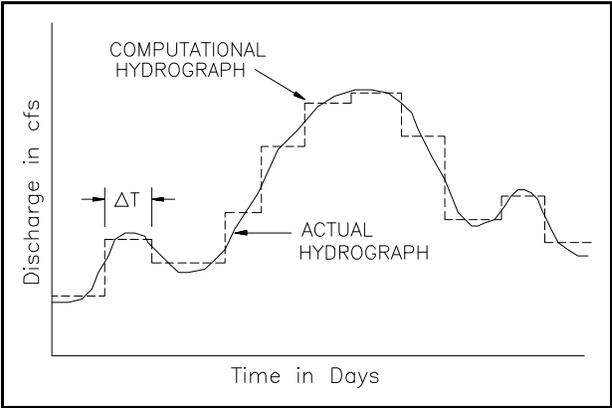
CLAY See Table B-1.

COBBLES See Table B-1.

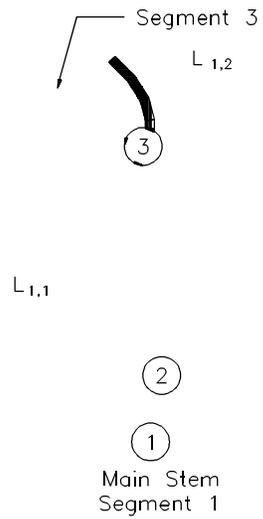
Table B-1¹
Scale for Size Classification of Sediment Particles

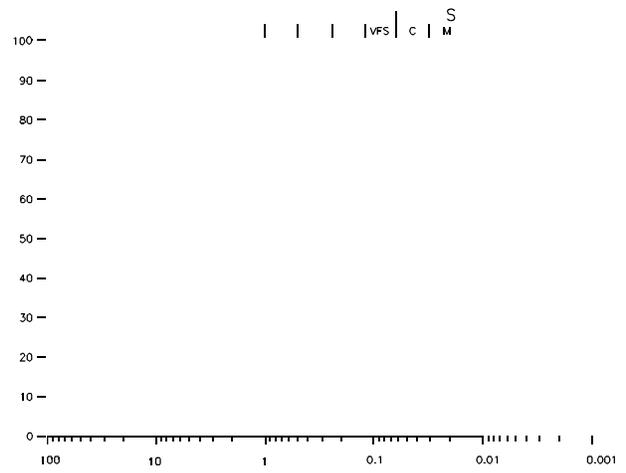
Class Name	Millimeters	Feet	PHI Value
Boulders	> 256	--	< -8
Cobbles	256 - 64	--	-8 to -6
Very Coarse Gravel	64 - 32	.148596	-6 to -5
Coarse Gravel	32 - 16	.074216	-5 to -4
Medium Gravel	16 - 8	.037120	-4 to -3
Fine Gravel	8 - 4	.018560	-3 to -2
Very Fine Gravel	4 - 2	.009279	-2 to -1
Very Coarse Sand	2.0 - 1.0	.004639	-1 to 0
Coarse Sand	1.0 - 0.50	.002319	0 to +1
Medium Sand	0.50 - 0.25	.001160	+1 to +2
Fine Sand	0.25 - 0.125	.000580	+2 to +3
Very Fine Sand	0.125 - 0.0625	.000288	+3 to +4
Coarse Silt	0.0625 - 0.031	.000144	+4 to +5
Medium Silt	0.031 - 0.016	.000072	+5 to +6
Fine Silt	0.016 - 0.008	.000036	+6 to +7
Very Fine Silt	0.008 - 0.004	.000018	+7 to +8
Coarse Clay	0.004 - 0.0020	.000009	+8 to +9
Medium Clay	0.0020 - 0.0010	--	+9 to +10
Fine Clay	0.0010 - 0.0005	--	+10 to +11
Very Fine Clay	0.0005 - 0.00024	--	+11 to +12
Colloids	<0.00024	--	> +12

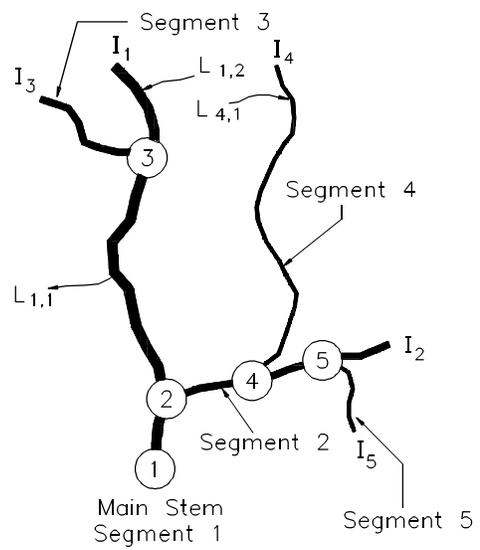
¹ Portions of Table B-1 are taken from EM 1110-2-4000, March 1988.



$$\text{mg} \quad \text{K} \quad (\text{ppm}) \quad \text{K} \quad \frac{\text{weight of sediment} \quad 1,000,000}{\text{weight of water} \quad \text{sediment mixture}}$$







LOCAL SCOUR Erosion caused by an abrupt change in flow direction or velocity. Examples include erosion around bridge piers, downstream of stilling basins, at the ends of dikes, and near snags.

M1 AND M2 CURVES M1 and M2 curves represent mild sloping water surface profiles.

MAIN STEM The primary river segment with its outflow at the downstream end of the model.

MANNING'S EQUATION The empirical Manning's equation commonly applied in water surface profile calculations defines the relationship between surface roughness, discharge, flow geometry, and rate of friction loss for a given stream location.

MANNING'S n VALUE n is the coefficient of roughness with the dimensions of $T \in L^{-1/3}$. n accounts for energy loss due to the friction between the bed and the water. In fluvial hydraulics (movable boundary hydraulics), the Manning's n value includes the effects of all losses, such as grain roughness of the movable bed, form roughness of the movable bed, bank irregularities, vegetation, bend losses, and junction losses. Contraction and expansion losses are not included in Manning's n , but are typically accounted for separately.

MATHEMATICAL MODEL A model that uses mathematical expressions (i.e., a set of equations, usually based upon fundamental physical principles) to represent a physical process.

MEANDERING STREAM An alluvial stream characterized in planform by a series of pronounced alternating bends. The shape and existence of the bends in a meandering stream are a result of alluvial processes and not determined by the nature of the terrain (geology) through which the stream flows.

MODEL A representation of a physical process or thing that can be used to predict the process's or thing's behavior or state.

Examples:

A conceptual model: If I throw a rock harder, it will go faster.

A mathematical model: $F = m \epsilon a$

A hydraulic model: Columbia River physical model.

MOVABLE BED That portion of a river channel cross section that is considered to be subject to erosion or deposition.

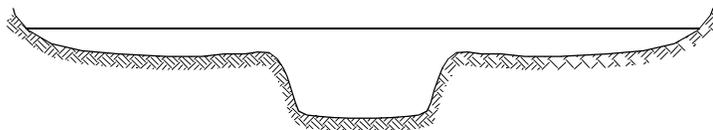
MOVABLE BED LIMITS The lateral limits of the movable bed that define where scour or deposition occur. See Figure B-2.

MOVABLE BED MODEL Model in which the bed and/or side material is erodible and transported in a manner similar to the prototype.

NETWORK MODEL A network model is a network of main stem, tributary, and local inflow/outflow points that can be simulated simultaneously and in which tributary sediment transport can be calculated.

NORMAL DEPTH The depth that would exist if the flow were uniform is called normal depth.

NUMERICAL EXPERIMENTS Varying the input data, or internal parameters, of a numerical model to ascertain the impact on the output.



PROTOTYPE The full-sized structure, system process, or phenomenon being modeled.

QUALITATIVE Relating to or involving quality or kind.

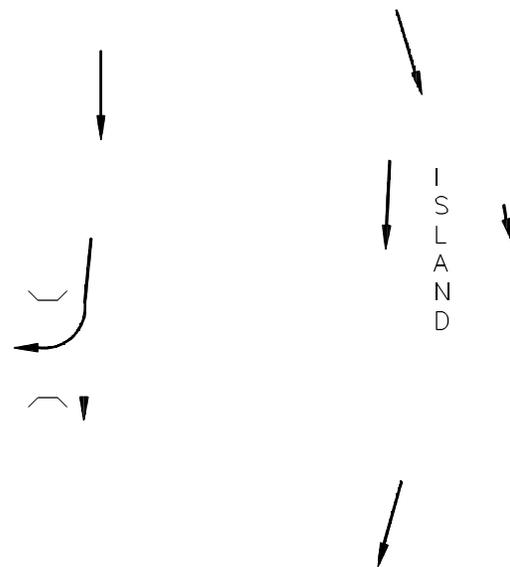
RATING CURVE See **STAGE-DISCHARGE CURVE**.

REACH (1) The length of a reach / 78750.96m 1si 751.44 l .6 7529.6si 7.2 752. 152

SEDIMENT TRANSPORT (RATE) See SEDIMENT DISCHARGE.

SEDIMENT TRANSPORT FUNCTION A formula or algorithm for calculating the sediment transport rate given the $0.41 \frac{c}{D_s}$.

$$\frac{c}{(s) D_s}$$



$$Q_{\text{out}} = Q_{\text{in}} - Q_{\text{weir}}$$



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TRANSPORT POTENTIAL Transport potential is the rate at which a stream could