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Dynamic Wave Modeling and Flood Mapping For a Reach of Krishna River Using Spatial Techniques

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Abstract: Among all kinds of natural hazards, floods is the probably most devastating, wide spread and frequent. For formulating any flood management strategy the first step is to identify the area most vulnerable to flooding. This step is even more critical for the developing countries in the monsoon in Asia, as the funding available for developmental activities is very limited. Flood maps play an increasingly prominent role in government strategies for flood risk management. This focuses on the theoretical concepts of hydraulic flood routing model, with time-varying roughness updating to simulate flows through natural channels, based on the quasi-steady dynamic wave and full dynamic wave theory, emphasizing the solving of the intricate Saint Venant's equation (continuity & momentum equation). The conventional means to record hydrological parameters of a flood often fail to record an extreme event. Remote sensing technology along with geographic information system (GIS) has become the key tool for flood monitoring in recent years. The central focus in this field revolves around delineation of flood zones and preparation of flood hazard maps for the vulnerable areas. For Flood Hazard map GIS software Arc GIS and HEC-Geo RAS as well as hydraulic software HEC-RAS are used. The work presents a review of application of remote sensing (ASTER DEM 30M) and GIS in Dynamic wave routing and flood mapping with particular focus on Krishna, Koyana Reach.

Keywords: HEC-RAS, Dynamic Wave Routing, Hydraulic model, Flood mapping, Krishna, Koyana Reach, HEC-Geo RAS, Arc-GIS.

I. INTRODUCTION

India is a country of monsoons having immense resources in water, but the spatio-temporal distribution of rainfall is highly uneven, and erratic. The rainfall varies from 10 cm in the western part of Rajasthan to over 1250 cm at Cherapunji in Meghalaya. As a result, about one third area of the country is drought prone where even drinking water become as problem, whereas over 40 Million hectare (mha) area is susceptible to flood with variation in climate, topography rainfall etc. The country has been experiencing floods every year, with magnitudes varying from year to year and region to region. The devastating floods not only result in loss of precious human lives, cattle and damage to public and private property but also create a sense of insecurity and fear in the minds of people living in the flood plains. The after-effects of floods like the agony of survivors, spread of epidemic, non-availability of essential commodities and medicines, loss of the dwellings etc. make floods most feared among the natural disasters being faced by human kind defining a flood is a difficult task, partly because floods are complex phenomena. Floods can occur in many ways, usually in valley bottoms and coastal areas, and be produced by a number of influencing conditions. Their locations and magnitudes vary considerably and as a result they have markedly different effect upon the environment. Chow (1956) defined flood as, "a flood is a relatively high flow which overtaxes the natural channel provided for the runoff". Rostvedt and others in 1968 (Ward 1978) improved the definition given by Chow after extending it to the artificial channels they defined flood as "a flood is any high stream flow which overtops natural or artificial banks of a stream". However, because the banks of a stream vary in height throughout its course, there is no single bank full level above which the river is in flood and below which it is not in flood. In a strictly hydrological sense, therefore a flood may be any relatively high water level or discharge above an arbitrarily selected flood level or flood discharge. The flood data of July, 27-28, 2010 and 27-28 July 2005 was used to have the dynamic wave routing in HEC RAS and flood mapping. The present study focuses on the concepts of hydraulic flood routing model, with time-varying roughness updating to simulate flows through natural channels, based on the quasi-steady dynamic wave and full dynamic wave theory, emphasizing the solving of the intricate Saint Venant's equation (continuity & momentum equation). A real case study of unsteady flood modelling through HEC-RAS has been dealt with of a reach in Krishna River starting from U/S of Warunji to Karad, U/S of Angapur to Karad and Karad to Kurundwad. The technique provides a reliable initialization of stage/discharge profile for the flood forecast. The examinations including the initialization of stage profile, conservation of mass, iteration convergence, Manning's N, effectiveness evaluation, and convergence with optimum theta (implicit weighing factor) values are conducted to verify the forecast

capability and in validating the model. The forecasting results show that the stage recalculated by updating the Manning N , in current time has a good agreement with the observed stage.

Also, it encompasses the flood mapping in the reach of Krishna using HEC Geo-RAS developed in Arc GIS 10.2 environment. Flood mapping for year 2005 shows the how much area gets affected due to the flood from the main River and also from Koyana. It is helpful to know property damage due to the flood. Flood is a natural disaster in particular requires implementation of such measures like flood forecasting and early warning systems, which necessarily rely on technological and scientific advances.

II. STUDY AREA AND DATA SETS

Considering the availability of hydrological, meteorological, soil, and other collateral data, the reaches in Krishna River were selected as the study area for the present Dynamic waverouting and flood plain modelling of study.

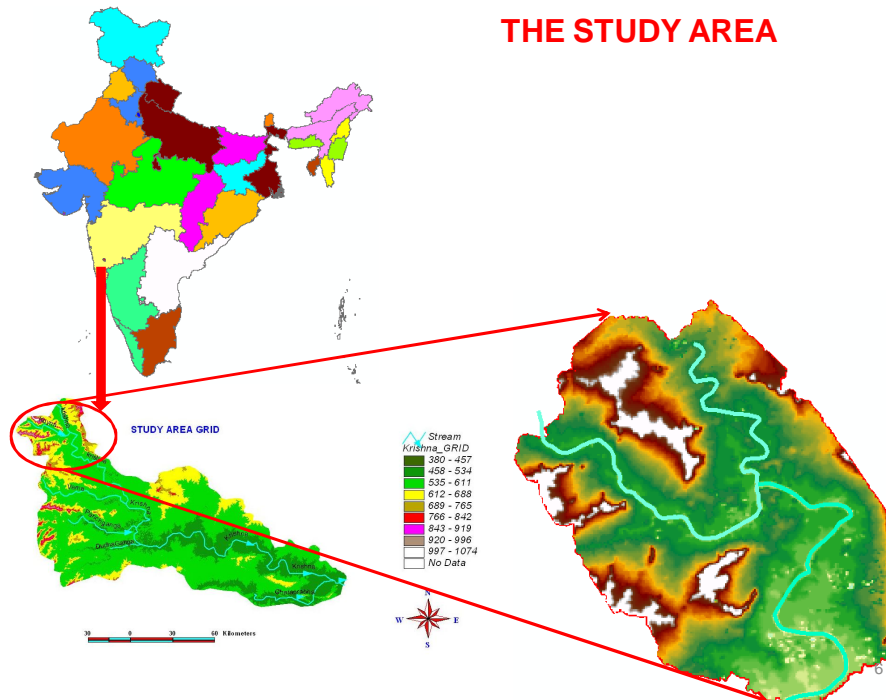


Fig. 1 Location Map of Study Area

In India the Krishna River rises from Western Ghats near Maabeleshwar in Maharashtra state and after traversing a length of 304 Km. in Maharashtra, it enters into Karnataka state. Total length of the river is 1392 Km. and passes through Maharashtra, Karnataka and Andhra states joins the Bay of Bengal (Figure1). The Krishna basin in Maharashtra is broadly classified in two sub basins viz. Krishna sub-basin and Bhīma sub-basin. In the upper reaches of Krishna River in Maharashtra, rainfall is found to the tune of 4000 to 7000 mm. There are 11 Major, 12 Medium and 263 minor dams located in Upper Krishna basin. Total live storage capacity of these dams is 7136 Mm³. Looking to all these aspects; dams have limited scope in limited flood control. Therefore, heavy floods are observed and are always possible in future when there is intensive precipitation in all over area of Krishna sub-basin.

A. Data sets

The accuracy of the model depends on the detail and accuracy of the river geometry that is input to the model (as well as the choice of appropriate time and distance steps). Input data for each cross section must describe channel slope and geometry; over bank storage; natural and man-made constructions (such as bridges); channel and over bank roughness coefficients, and lateral inflows or outflows. In addition each model needs upstream and downstream “boundary conditions” – usually a flow hydrograph at the upstream end and some form of stage-discharge relationship at the downstream end.

- 1) *Geometry Data:* The study area consists of geometric data is in the form of a station and elevation. Cross section is derived from Triangular irregular Network (TIN) which is extracted from digital elevation model (ASTER DEM 30 METER) resolution.(<https://www.usgs.gov>)

2) *Boundary condition:* The simulation period from 27thJuly 2005, 28thJuly 2005 is constrained by the availability of data to prescribe the models boundary condition. The upstream boundary condition is in the form of stage/ flow Hydrograph. The downstream boundary condition is represented by a rating curve constructed from observed water levels and discharge measurements at Kurundwad provided by the Upper Krishna Division, Pune.

III. METHODOLOGY

The development of the present flood model integrates GIS with the HEC-RAS river hydraulic model. Hydraulic model produced flood events and water surface profiles over the length of the modeled stream. With the companion of GIS utility, HEC-GeoRAS, these water surface profiles are converted to flood inundation maps. Several RAS Themes are created in the process of developing the geometric data to import in HEC-RAS. Flood maps are generated by exporting the HEC RAS model output results to Arc-GIS. The peak flows from observations are used as an input in HEC-RAS for developing flood inundation map. The different GIS and Hydrological software used are as follow

Table 1: Summary of Software Used In Analysis

Software	Purpose
HEC-RAS v.4.1	Water surface computation program. Unsteady-flow module used.
HEC-GeoRAS v.10.2	Pre-processing of geometric data for import into HEC-RAS. Post-processing of HEC-RAS results. GeoRAS is an Arc Map toolbar.
Arc-GISv.10.2	GIS used for processing and visualization of spatially distributed data.

The methodology used in the reported work consists of three steps: (i) Pre-processing of geometric data for HEC-RAS, using HEC-GeoRAS tool; (ii) Hydraulic analysis in HEC-RAS. (iii) Post-processing of HEC-RAS results and floodplain mapping, using HEC-GeoRAS.

Pre-Processing

Tin Data Extracted
 Cross-sections Data
 Stream centerline
 Water surface TINs
 Flow lines

Input
 Exchange



Post-Processing

Output GIS Themes Created
 Cross section cut lines
 Exchange File Bounding polygons
 Stream bank linesFile
 Floodplain polygons

Fig. 2 Flowchart for Methodology

A. Pre-Processing (HEC-GeoRAS)

HEC-GeoRAS was used to create a geometric import file to import into HEC-RAS. The necessary geometry files for HEC-RAS simulation were generated using the Triangulated Irregular Network (TIN) model and the GIS tool HEC-GeoRAS in ArcGIS 10.2 with the spatial analyst and 3D analyst extension. The geometry file created contains river, reach and station information, cross-section cut lines, bank stations, reach lengths for left and right overbanks and channel and roughness coefficients.

B. Hydraulic Analysis

The last step was to export the GIS data to HEC-RAS for further modeling. The input requirement for the RAS model setup is the channel and floodplain information in the form of geometric data and hydrologic information in the form of unsteady flow. Geometric data created using HEC-GeoRAS was imported into HEC-RAS to represent river networks and channel cross-section data. HEC-RAS was used to determine the water surface profile for the Koyana and Krishna River. The flow data was given in the form of rating curve and Flow Hydrograph used to calculate unsteady flow. HEC-RAS simulates the results. Cross-section data are written to the export file as cross section cut lines and cross section surface lines with river, reach, and station identifiers. Water

surface elevations for each profile attached to each cross section. The export file also contains bounding polygon information for each profile on each reach. Bounding polygon information was used to define the limits of the hydraulic model.

C. Post-Processing (HEC-GeoRAS)

Water surface profile data and velocity data exported from HEC-RAS was processed for floodplain delineation, inundation depth, and velocity GIS data sets. In this step, the water surface elevation data exported from HEC- RAS simulations were processed in HEC- GeoRAS for GIS analysis. The GIS data exchange between RAS and Arc GIS was done through a specifically formatted GIS data exchange (*.sdf) file. During the post processing of HEC- RAS results, GIS layers for inundation depth and flood plain boundary were created. Data exported from HEC-RAS included water surface elevations at each cross section, velocity information at distributed points along each cross section, and bounding polygon information. The bounding polygon information defined the extent of each cross section as modeled in HEC-RAS for the given flow. The GIS layers developed were based on the HEC- RAS export file and the terrain (TIN) data. The water surface TIN was generated by intersecting the water surface elevations with the cross section cut lines. Thus, the flood plain polygon was created by intersecting the water surface TIN with the terrain surface. Floodplain delineation and velocity data were developed which adhered to the bounding criterion. HEC- GeoRAS allows selecting multiple water surface profiles and creates a flood plain polygon for each profile. Thus, the Floodplain Delineation polygons were created.

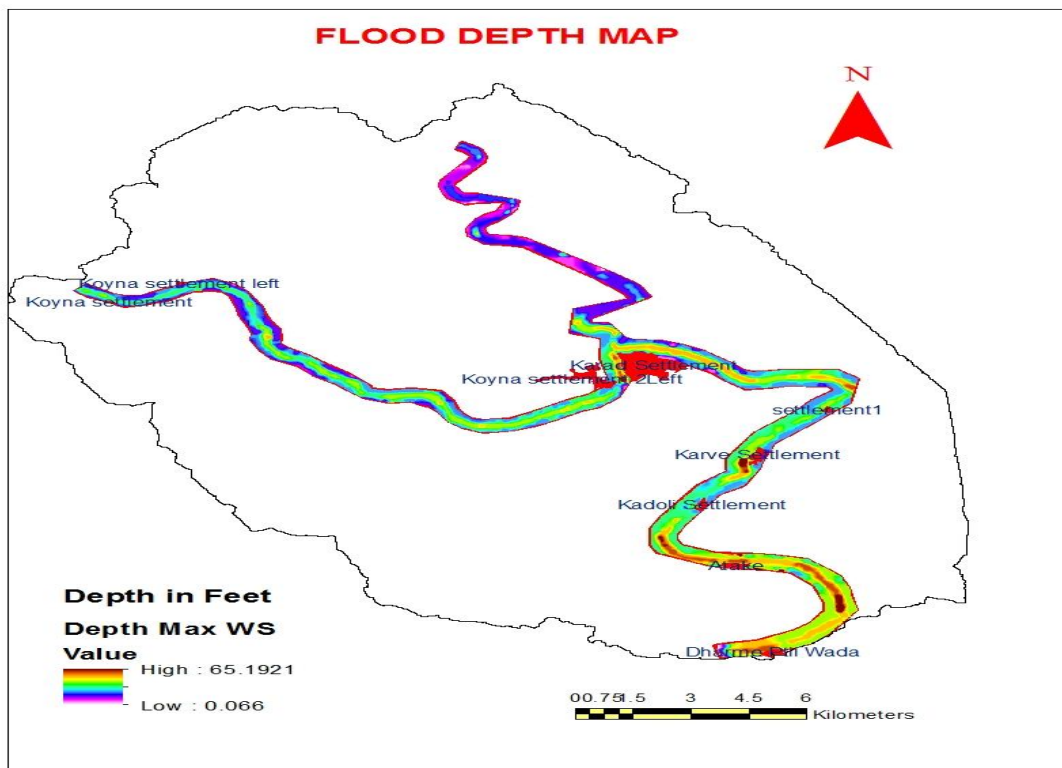


Fig. 2 Water Depth Grid (2005)

D. Conversion from Flow to Inundation Depth

To assess the impacts of the change in flood peak on inundation in a simple study, where detailed flood-plain mapping information is not available, Manning’s equation can be used to get the flood depth. In a uniform reach of river, information on channel width and roughness can be used to convert river flows into river levels using Manning’s equation or a similar approach.

$$D = [Q n / (W S_f^{1/2})]^{3/5}$$

Where

- 1) Q is flow in cubic metres per second
- 2) W and D are width and depth, respectively, in metres
- 3) S_f is the friction slope

4) n is the Manning roughness coefficient.

Depth of flood = $\{6392 \times 0.041 / (385 \times 0.00025^{0.5})\}^{3/5} = 9.67$ m, and depth calculated using HEC-GeoRAS is 9.18 m so which is well agreed with the obtained value at Kurundwad station.

IV. GROUND TRUTH WITH GOOGLE EARTH

For validating the result of floodplain mapping, the themes have been overlaid on Google earth for the key regions. To familiarize with the material and flood mapping that exist within the image boundaries the ground truth information that corresponds with the flood extent can be used to develop qualitative and quantitative relationship between the settlements and affected areas. with consistently vigilant quality the work has been done to capture the photograph displaying flood map and affected area by flood on Google earth which have been depicted in the following figure maps so overlaid compared well the flood extent map generated using GIS.

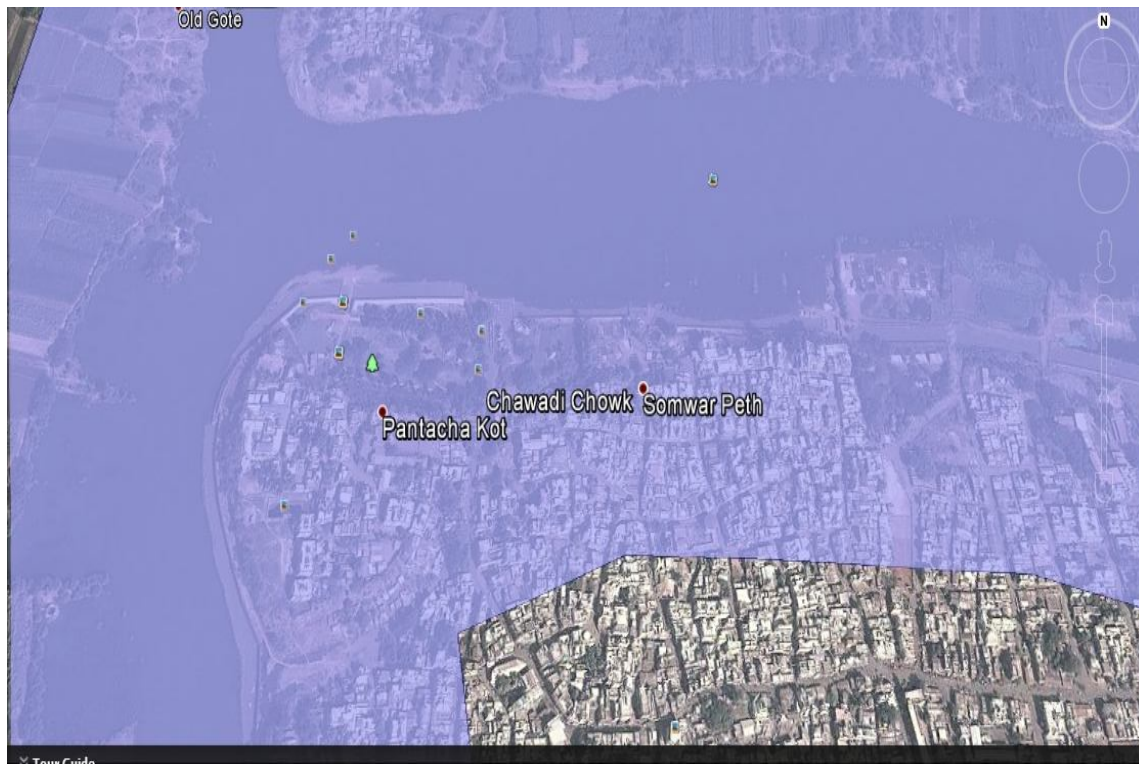


Fig. 3 Karad Junction on Google Earth Affected Area By Flood

V. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

To achieve the aim of floodplain mapping the envisaged study incorporates Hydraulic model. Hydrograph and rating curve are given as input to the boundary condition to the hydraulic model and the flood levels are calculated. HEC-GeoRAS successfully utilized the GIS technology to develop the geometric data for use in river analysis. Results exported from the HEC-RAS are imported into GIS using HEC-GeoRAS tool and the floodplain as delineated. Hydraulic calculations are performed at each cross-section to compute water surface elevation, water depth and velocities. With the companion GIS utility, HEC-GeoRAS, water surface level calculated from HEC-RAS those calculated water surface converted to flood inundation maps. The resulting flood inundation maps are useful for municipal planning purposes, emergency action plans, flood insurance rates and ecological studies. Floodplain delineation for each scenario was performed resulting in an inundation depth and floodplain polygon. The simulation produced variable flow velocities and flood depth in the main channel and the inundated floodplain. Generally High velocities and flood depth were recorded in the main channel than the floodplains. As the slope of river increased the velocity of water also increased therefore the high value at downstream is accredited to the steep slope of the terrain while the low velocities at the upstream can be attributed to the flatness of the terrain. The velocity varied from 0 m/s to 2.42 m/s in the flooded area and the flood extents. The depth of inundation varied from 0 m to 19.875 m in the flood inundated areas of the river reach as depicted in the (Figure 2). The warning level, area affected by flood, population affected and flood depth which is to be given in following Table 2.

Table 2: Result Table for Flood (July 2005)

Sr.No	Location	Warning Level(m)	Population Affected	Flood Depth in thalweg(ft)
1	Karad	570.13	5700	35.14
2	Karve	565.2	3588	49.2
3	Kodoli	565.05	1794	50.31
4	Dushere	559.2	792	65.6
5	Yerwale	570.16	2100	33.39
6	Goware	568.19	960	39.78
7	Tembu	565.16	2280	49.72
8	Gondi	554.87	468	19.20

VI. CONCLUSIONS

An approach for dynamic wave modeling and automated floodplain mapping is presented. The spatial dataset for land use, road network, soil type and land use in points are needed while planning for flood emergency. This information can be used for planning an effective flood emergency response in flood-inundated area of the Krishna Koyana reaches. The flood impact analysis can be used to obtain information about the population, property, and environment at risk during occurrence of flood in a specific area. The velocity varied from 0 m/s to 2.42 m/s in the flooded area and the flood extents. The depth of inundation varied from 0 m to 19.875 m in the flood inundated area as also the flood extent was found to be 35.392 Km². The water resources department can use GIS in case of flooding to find out which street, school, hospital needs to be evacuated. The GIS can calculate the total number of residents within the area, so as to prepare an effective evacuation plan which can be utilized by different rescue agencies.

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