Framing Decision Problems: Forecast Modeling & Optimization

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Forecast Modeling



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Model selection

Analytical 2-D Numerical 3-D Numerical Statistical

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Modeling & Maturity of Site Understanding



Incremental Impact of

Amount of Data and Information

Multi-Objective Heuristic Optimization



"The **extrapolations** are the only things that have any real value. ... Knowledge is of no real value if all you can tell me is what happened yesterday.... you must be willing to stick your neck out."

R. P. Feynmann, *The Uncertainty of Science*, John Danz Lecture, April 23, 1963

Decision Variables



Simplifications

Table 1. Remainstandards and State discharge limits for compounds of centurn in ground water at the LLNL site.

	Concent	tration limit for drink	ing water ⁴		
Constituent	Federal MCL (ppb)	California MCL (ppb)	Pre-remediation concentration range at LLNL March 1990- March 1991 (ppb)	Mecharge limit ^b for treated water (ppb)	
PCE	5	5	<0.1-1,050	4	
TCE	5	5	<0.1-4,800	5	
1,1- DCE	7	6	<0.5-370	5	
cis-1,2-DCE	70	6	<0.5-24	5 (total 1, 2-DCE)	
trans-1,2-DCE	100	10	<0.5-1	5 (total 1, 2-DCE)	
1,1-DCA	- ·	5	<0.5-60	5	
1,2-DCA	5	0.5	<0.1-190	5	
Carbon tetrachieride	5	0.5	<0.1-91	5	
Total THM ^c	100°	100=	<0.5-270	5	
Benzen	5	1.0	<0.1-4,600	0.7	
Ethyl bomone	700	680	<0.2-610	5	
Toluene	1,000	_	<0.5-4,200	5	
Xylenes (total)	10,000	1,7504	<0.5-3,700	5	
Ethylene dibr omide	0.05	0.02	<0.1-51	5	
Total VOCs	and the	-	up to 5,808	5	
Chromium+3 e	50 (total Cr)	50 (total Cr)	<5-150 (usual Cr)	50 (total Cr)	
Chromium+6 e	50 (ioual Cr)	50 (total Cr)	<10-140	11	
Lead	15 ^r	50	G-10	5.6	
Tritium ^g	20,000 pCi/L	20,000 pCi/L	<200-33,100	(h)	

^a Human receptor. The more stringent concentration limits on this part of the table are shown in a larger typelace to illustrate that LLNL will comply with the most stringent requirements.

From NPDES Permit No. CA0029239 (revised \$/1/90) and RWQCB Order No. 90-106. VOC-specific State discharge limits exist in RWQCB Order No. 90-106 only for PCE (4 ppb) and benzene (0.7 ppb). Other VOCs listed in this table are included in the 5 ppb total VOC limit. Discharge limits for metals differ slightly according to discharge location.

⁶ Total trihelomethanes (THMs); includes chloroform, bromoform, chlorofferomemethane, and bromodichloromethane (California Drinking Water Requirement).

MCL is for either a single isomer or the sum of the ortho, meta, and para isomera.

National Interim Primary Drinking Water Regulation for total chromium is 59 ppb.

National Primary Drinking Water Regulation Enforceable Action Level (Federal Register, volume 56, number 110, June 7, 1991, p. 26460).

Thorpe et al. (1990) show that ground water in the one well that currently exceeds the tritlum MCL will be naturally remediated bong before it migrates offsite.

^a There is currently no NPDES discharge limit for tritium. LLNL will us the MCL for tritium at the discharge limit.



Types of Contamination

• Reduce solute concentration, C(i), everywhere (onsite Ω_o and offsite Ω_{p-o}) to below MCL (C_{mcl} = 5ppb) over 30 years while minimizing costs.

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Constraint:

 Maximum number of distinct wells allowed to pump over the total 30-yr simulation is fixed at 28.

Ex.

L = 50 N = 28 $C(50,28) \approx 10^{14}$

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Ex.

L = 50 N = up to 28

 $\sum_{i=1}^{28} C(50, i) \approx 10^{15}$

Reduce solute concentration, C(i), everywhere (onsite Ω_0 and offsite Ω_{p-0}) to below MCL (C_{mcl} = 5ppb) over 30 years while minimizing costs.

Constraints:

 Maximum number of distinct wells allowed to pump over the total 30-yr simulation is fixed at 28.

 Maximum number of wells allowed to pump simultaneously is fixed at 18.

Multiple Management Periods



A management period = time interval over which the design variable (e.g., location of wells) and the corresponding intensity of its application (e.g. pumping rate) remain fixed.

 Allows for time-varying management goals and priorities

Additional (practical) constraints:



Challenges Arise:

Computational resources needed to accommodate large number of decision variables and constraints



$L = 50 \qquad N = 28 \qquad P = 18 \quad and \quad m = 6$

Possible Configurations $\approx 10^{61}$



= Design Costs \$



Minimize:

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Constrained Optimization Function

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Minimize:

$$N_{yrs} \sum_{i=1}^{N_w} q_i F_{treat}$$

$$F_{cap}\sum_{i=1}^{N_w} (1-e^{-bq_i})$$

Installation

Constrained Optimization Function

+

Minimize:

Real Costs =

$$N_{yrs} \sum_{i=1}^{N_w} q_i F_{treat}$$

Treatment/O&M

$$F_{cap} \sum_{k=0}^{N_w} (1 - e^{-bq_i})$$

i=1

Installation

Subject to:

$$C(x_j) \le C^* \qquad j \in J$$
$$q_i^1 \le q_i \le q_i^u \qquad i \in I$$

Unconstrained Multi-Objective Optimization



Minimize:

= Design Costs \$ + λ_1^* (Water Quality) + λ_2^* (Impacts to Environment/Human Health)



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How to represent Solutions/Results?



Multiple Stakeholder Goals



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Which scheme is "optimal" ?

- How long do we *really* have to operate?
- How long do we really have to monitor?
- How much residual risk are we willing to accept?
- Will a new technology or public policy shift become available?

Questions?

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Performance Cost 'Ratio'

18 wells Multiple Management Periods(44 ppb; 3,856 Million gals)

18 wells Single Management Period(45 ppb; 5,635 Million gals)

Table 1. Preliminary Comparison of the Number of Gallons Pumped During Each Management Period Between Multiple and Single Management Periods

Period	Simulation, Years	Number of Wells	Billions of Gallons, per Period	Maximum Concentration ppb
	Multiple	Management	Periode	
Initial	0	0	0.000	814
1	5	10	0.585	288
2	10	13	0.729	189
3	15	15	0.808	129
4	20	12	0.657	93
5	25	10	0.578	63
	30		0.499	44
Summary			3.856	
	Sin	de Manaperno	ent Period	
Best 18 wells	30	18	5.635	45

Challenges Arise:

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 Formulation of certain physical and operational objectives and constraints into "continuous and differentiable" functions

 Complexities of real decision making and fixed or integer-related costs, non-convex behavior of complicated physical processes