LONGITUDINAL BED VARIATION DEPENDING ON SUBMERSIBLE GROINS IN SERIES

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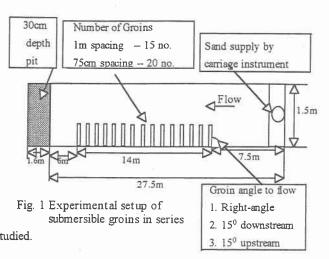
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1. INTRODUCTION:

Submersible groins in series are being used either to control or deflect the direction of flow that promote local scour, create new bank by trapping the sediment load, and may cause instability on the other part of the channel depending on groin length, shape and angle of facing to the direction of flow. The formation of non-similar sand waves in a channel bed is a random process up to a certain extent. We did the spectrum analysis by Fast Fourier Transform of the groin series bed. That showed instability of the sand waves depending on how much erosion and deposition occurred due to change of flow structure. In addition to the spectrum analysis, the variation of bed-form with the response to the arrangements of groin was also studied.



2 EXPERIMENTAL DESCRIPTION:

The laboratory flume of mobile bed was 27.5m long and 1.5 m width that had re-circulation of water and continuous sediment supply by an instrument carriage moving across the channel. Hydraulic conditions (Table 1) were same for all the experiments except changing the placement of the groins. We carried out one without any hydraulic structure and five groin series experiments with different angles facing the direction of flow and intervals between two groins. Angles were right angle to the longitudinal direction of flow, facing 15 degree downstream and upstream to the flow. The intervals were 1m and 75 cm. The groins in each experiment had same interval and angle along the left bank that started at a distance of 6m from the downstream end to 20m. The bed consisting of non-cohesive granular sediment of 0.80mm size was initially flat having slope at the range of 0.0018 to 0.0016.

3. POWER SPECTRUM ANALYSIS:

The object of the spectrum analysis by FFT is to find impact of the groins on the mechanism of sedimentary bedforms and longitudinal bed profiles. For the analysis, we measured the bed elevation Y, as a function of longitudinal distance X, by electro-magnetic velocity meter. The spectrum of no hydraulic structure bed (Fig 2) had similar slope of the minus three power law but different proportionality. Fig 3 and Fig. 4 are the spectrum of groin facing downstream at 1m interval and groin right-angle at 75cm interval respectively along the longitudinal line 95cm from left bank. The difference between these three figures shows that groin beds experienced more non-equilibrium sediment transport than no hydraulic structure bed even very far from the groin head. No hydraulic structure bed spectrum had peak at lower wave-number and then gradually decreases with the increase of wave-number. The groin bed showed spectral peak at lower as well as higher wave-number. The spectrum along the longitudinal line near the head of the groins had two peaks at high wave-number in between the range of 0.1 to 0.3 cycle/cm (Fig.5).

Groin in series No Upstream Downstream Right-angle Right-angle Hydraulic Downstream (interval 75cm) (interval 1m) (interval 75cm) (interval 1m) Structure (interval 1m) 36.4 36.4 36.4 36.4 36.4 36.4 Water discharge(l/sec) 195 195 195 195 195 195 Sediment supply(ml/sec) 0.0018 0.0017 0.0017 0.0021 0.0017 Water surface slope 0.0017 0.0019 0.0026 0.0022 0.0014 0.0028 0.0021 Final bed slope

Table 1. Experimental conditions

Comparing all the spectrum figures (Fig. 2, 3, 4, 5) shows that rough turbulent flow caused groin beds much more disturbance than no hydraulic structure bed. The spectrums of all the five groin series experiments did not show similar characteristic meaning of every part of the channel bed. The groin bed spectrum showed peaks at lower as well as higher wave number that indicated non-equilibrium sediment transport near or far from groin head.

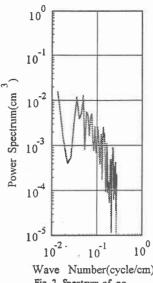
4. VARIATION IN BED-FORM:

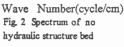
Table 2 shows the comparative bed-form of three experiments. The bed elevations of the three experiments were plotted on large sheet. The bed-form wavelength was measured from the trough of a sand wave to the next downstream sand wave trough. The difference between the elevation of the peak and the trough of a sand wave was considered as bed-form height. The groin downstream 75cm bed had larger bed-form height than no structure bed but groin 1m bed had largest among the three beds. This clearly indicates that spacing between groin plays a major rule for bed formation and roughness. The groin bed converted into higher bed-form height with the increase of flow turbulence and bed shear stress. The average steepness and wavelength of groin Im bed had 1/29 and 7h, and 75cm bed had bedform wave-length of 9h, where h is depth of water.

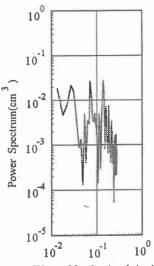
5.DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION:

The spectral amplitude and bed-form height of groin bed were larger than those of no structure bed. The wide range of

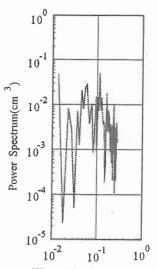
steepness of sand waves, the change of the spectral shape at higher wave-number and larger amplitude of spectral peak reflected the much more instability of the groin bed.



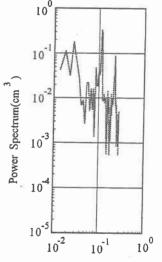




Wave Number(cycle/cm)
Fig. 4 Spectrum of groin right-angle
to flow at 75cm interval along
long line 95cm from left bank.



Wave Number(cycle/cm)
Fig. 3 Spectrum of groin facing
downstream at 1m interval along
long, line 95cm from left bank



Wave Number(cycle/cm)
Fig. 5 Spectrum of groin facing
downstream at 1m interval along long.
line near groin head, 55cm from left bunk.

Table 2. Bed-form variations of the three experiments

No	Groin in series	
Hydraulic	Downstream	Downstream
Structure	(interval lm)	(interval 75cm)
6.5	10.3	8.04
3.3	4.61	3.72
1.35	2.5	1.8
98	73.6	78.8
20.3	34.1	20.9
2.52	4.84	3.16
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