

Dynamic Planet Division B

This is the Dynamic Planet Division B test.

You may divide up this test, but if you do so please put your team number on every page.

You are allowed four double-sided pages of notes and two non-graphing calculators.

Good luck!

Section A.: 18 points _____ Final tiebreaker is score on this section

Section B: 12 points _____ Third tiebreaker is score on this section

Section C: 30 Points _____ First tiebreaker is score on this section

Section D: 25 Points _____ Second tiebreaker is score on this section

Section E: 15 points _____ Fourth tiebreaker is score on this section

Total: _____

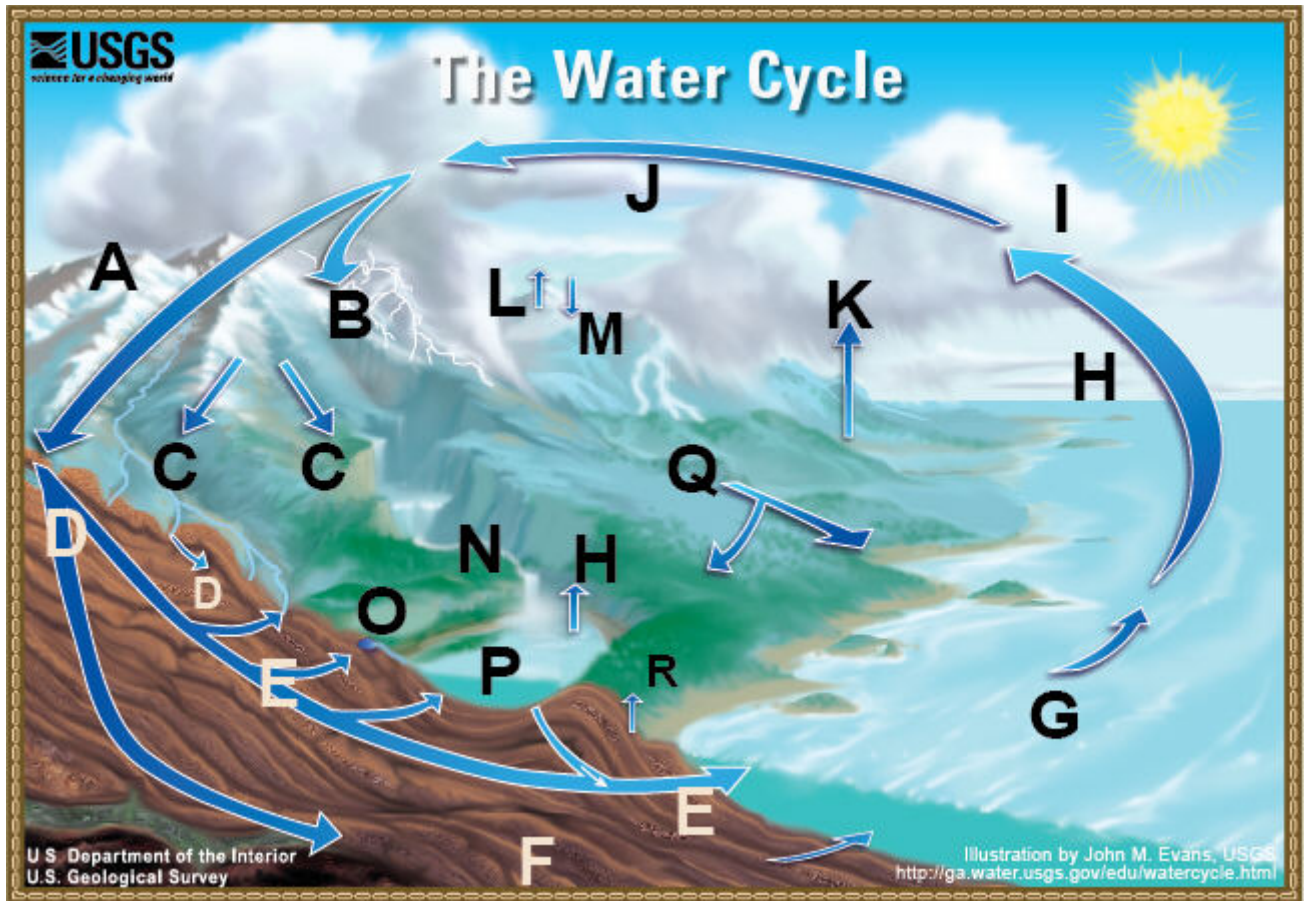


Figure 1: An illustration of the water cycle

A. Water cycle (18 points)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Condensation | <input type="checkbox"/> Evaporation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Evapotranspiration | <input type="checkbox"/> Freshwater storage |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Groundwater discharge | <input type="checkbox"/> Groundwater storage |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Infiltration | <input type="checkbox"/> Precipitation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Snowmelt runoff to streams | <input type="checkbox"/> Spring |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Streamflow | <input type="checkbox"/> Sublimation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Surface runoff | <input type="checkbox"/> Water storage in the atmosphere |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water storage in ice and snow | <input type="checkbox"/> Water storage in oceans |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Desublimation | <input type="checkbox"/> Plant uptake |

B. Important lakes (12 points)

For each of the following lakes (each one is one of the top ten lakes on earth in terms of volume or area), identify where it is (1 point) and how it was formed (2 points).

Lake Baikal:

Lake Victoria:

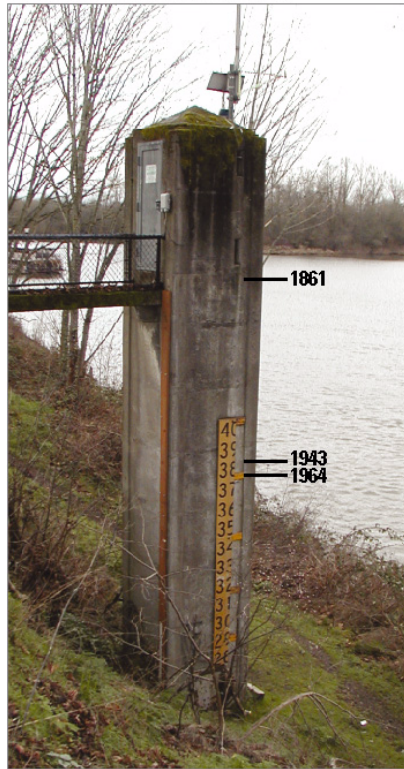
Lake Michigan-Huron:

Lake Vostok:

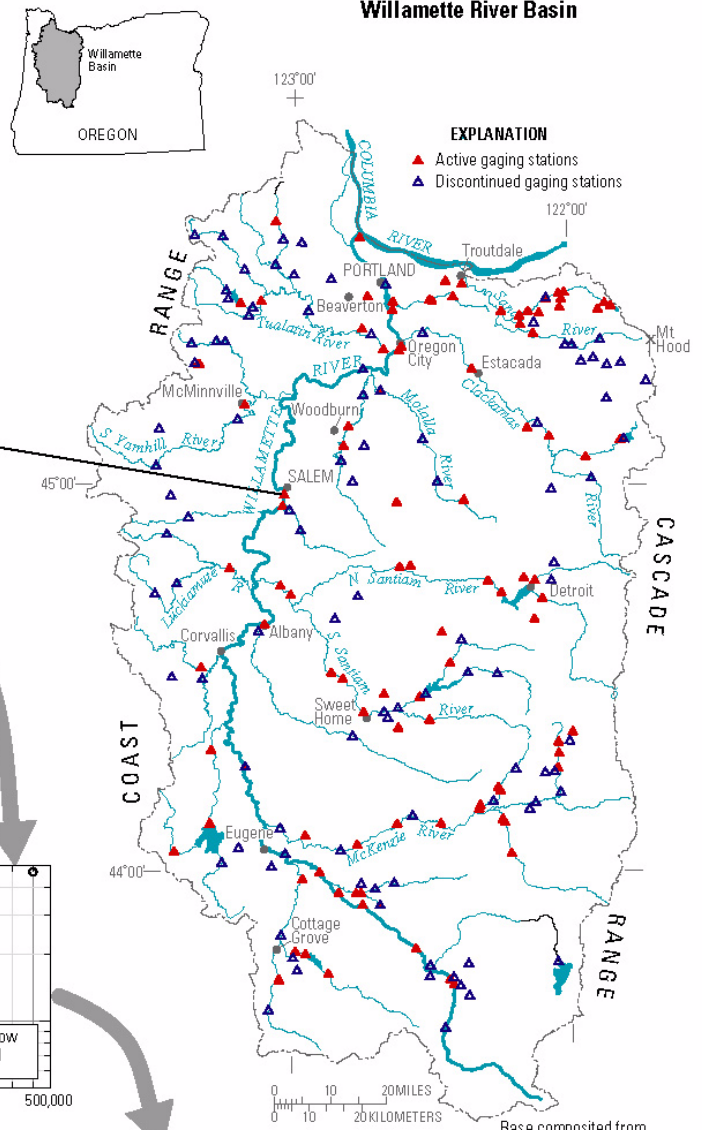
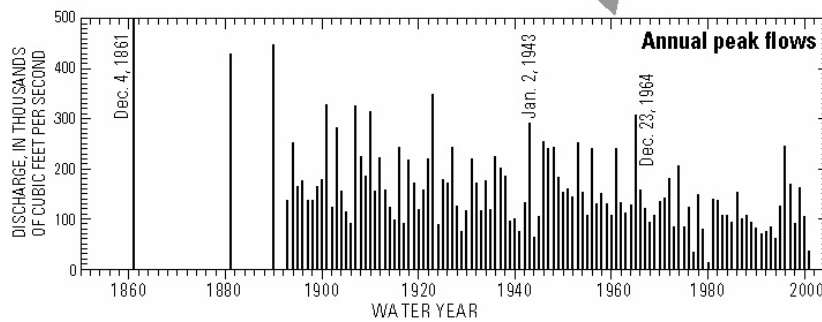
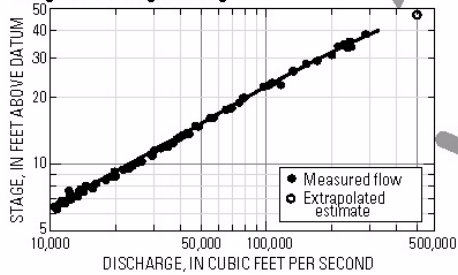
Figure 2: From O'Connor and Costa, USGS Circular 1245

USGS streamflow gage;

Willamette River at Salem, OR



Stage-discharge rating



Base composited from
USGS digital line graphs and
other digital information.
Universal Transverse Mercator
projection, Zone 10
1927 North American Datum

C. Floods (30 points)

1. What is the definition of a flood? (5 points)

2. Figure 2 shows a streamflow gage on the Willamette river at Salem Oregon. Estimate the drainage area in km^2 for this gage. (5 points)

3. Suppose 5 cm of rain falls over this region and takes 1 day to drain away. Estimate the rate of discharge past Salem (note, 1 cubic meter is 35.3 cubic feet). (5 points)

4. Given this rate of discharge what is the stage height in ft? (5 points)

5. Estimate the height of the 30-year flood for this point for the 20th century (5 points)

6. What sort of drainage pattern is seen in this basin? How do you know (5 points)

D. Short answer (25 points)

1. Will the sinuosity index of a river be higher or lower in regions of steep topography? Why?

2. What is the difference between stream competence and capacity?

3. What's the difference between porosity and permeability?

4. What is a solution valley?

5. Why are tropical lakes more likely to become hypoxic than Arctic lakes?

Section E: Map interpretation (15 points each)

The topographic map below shows the Mississippi just south of Kellogg, MN. The solid contour interval is 20 feet. The dashed contour interval is five feet.

On this map identify the

- A. Edges of the floodplain
- B. Areas of alluvium
- C. Natural levees (if any), if not say so.
- D. Thalweg
- E. Back swamp



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