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ABSTRACT

Local scour around spur dike results in scour hole around the spur. This causes the depth of footing to decrease leading to structure failure in the end. This laboratory experimental study examines the effects of time and flow parameters on the scour hole dimensions. The dimensions under study are the maximum scour depth, the length of the scour hole, and the scoured volume. The study concentrates on the effect of the angle of skewness on the scour parameters. It was found that the relative maximum depth of scour increase with the increase of the angle of skewness till it reaches 90° then decreases with its increase. The relative length of scour and the relative volume of scour were found to be increased with the increase of the angle of skewness.

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List of Symbols

Symbol	Description	Dimension
AS	Angle of Skewness	-----
C_i	Coefficient	-----
D	Maximum Depth of Scour	L
D_{50}	Mean Sediment Diameter	L
F	Froude Number	-----
g	Gravitational Acceleration	LT^{-2}
Q	Discharge	L^3T^{-1}
R_n	Reynold's Number	-----
t	Time	T
t_o	Characteristic Time	T
U	Average Velocity of Flow	LT^{-1}
V	Volume of Scour	L^3
y	Flow Depth	L
γ_s	Sediment Submerged Weight	$ML^{-2}T^{-2}$
ν	Fluid Kinematic Viscosity	ML^{-2}
ρ	Fluid Mass Density.	ML^{-3}
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