

## Methodology for Water Balance in Hemren Reservoir

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### Abstract:

The water balance is considered as an important subject in the present time which has a great role in estimation of the quantity of water entering a dam. In this paper approach to estimate the water balance in Hemren dam, an equation has been found to calculate the discharge entering to Hemren dam through relate the variables (Qout from Derbendi-Khan, Qin to Hemren reservoir and rainfall intensity falling on the intermediate catchment area between Hemren-Derbendi-Khan dams) by using the regression analysis. The data were collected for the interval from 1980 to 2004. The equation gives a correlation coefficient 0.956 for the relation between the observed and calculated discharges.

**Keywords:** water balance, Hemren reservoir, rainfall intensity, regression analysis

### طريقة حساب الموازنة المائية في خزان حميرين

#### الخلاصة

يعتبر موضوع الموازنة المائية من المواضيع المهمة في الوقت الحالي لما له من دور كبير في التنبأ بحساب كمية المياه الداخلة الى سد ما. تم التطرق في هذا البحث الى الموازنة المائية في سد حميرين حيث تم ايجاد معادلة لحساب التصريف الداخل الى سد حميرين من خلال ربط المتغيرات (التصريف المطلق من سد دربندخان، الشدة المطرية الساقطة على المساحة الوسطية بين سدي دربندخان وحميرين، و التصاريف المقاسة الداخلة الى سد حميرين) بواسطة تحليل الانحدار، حيث جمعت البيانات اعلاه للفترة من 1980 الى 2004. اعطت المعادلة معامل ارتباط مقداره 0.956 للعلاقة ما بين التصاريف المحسوبة من خلال المعادلة والتصاريف المقاسة الداخلة الى خزان حميرين.

### 1-Introduction:

The Hemren reservoir is a second reservoir on the Diyala river and its utilization synchronized with upstream Derbendi-Khan reservoir operation. Such synchronized operation of two reservoirs on the same river requires rather good knowledge of water regime both in the Derbendi-Khan catchment's area and in the Derbendi-Khan –Hemren intermediate catchment's area. In addition, this knowledge is essential not only for the reservoir operations studies but also for the sake of

knowing all the elements required in the process of designing the Hemren dam. The first hydrological data on the Diyala river are dating from 1924 when the discharge site gauging station its operation (State Organization of Dams, 1978). The discharge site gauging station is located in a narrowed section of the Diyala river flow, in the Jebel Hemren zone, 150 km downstream of the Derbendi-Khan. The Diyala river water balance for the Derbendi-Khan –Hemren intermediate catchment's area has been studied for the first time

by Harza Engineering Company in 1954 within the Derbendi-Khan dam and reservoir project. As the hydrological data had been generally reduced to those recorded at the Hemren dam, water balances for the Derbendi-Khan-Hemren intermediate catchment's area has been derived synthetically by the analogy with the adjacent Adhaim river catchment area. They found the following relation (State Organization of Dams, 1981):

$$Q_{D.S} = 1.25 * Q_{D.K} - 10$$

Where:

$Q_{D.S}$ =discharge at the Hemren site

$Q_{D.K}$ =discharge at the Derbendi-Khan site al (2002), drawing on Booker and Young (1994), develop a nonlinear net benefit maximization model applied to Southern Alberta. The demand sector includes urban, irrigation, industrial, and hydropower nodes. A novel environmental feature is the explicit account of the conversion of untreated water to treated potable water.

## 2-Description of The Catchment area:

The Diyala river catchment area is situated in the east boundary region of Iraq towards Iran, at approximate latitude 35. The north major part of the catchment a

In the above equation the number (10) refers to the average water intake for the irrigation requirements by Pelago channel, about 5 km upstream Hemren dam.

The water balance has a great importance in the hydraulic engineering. Many researchers have studied it. Chang and Richards (1971) solved the equation of continuity and motion by the method of characteristics and the sediment continuity equation by finite

difference scheme. Vaux and Howitt (1984) apply a model to California, using nonlinear demand functions, and price-sensitive linear supply functions. The results show that market-based water transfers reduce the need for supply-augmenting facilities, and generate welfare gains. Booker and Young (1994) model intrastate and interstate water transfers within the Colorado basin, accounting for both water quantity and quality (salinity) balances. They use an explicit representation of the river twenty-node network, with its tributary inflows, diversion points, reservoirs, and hydropower plants. The model (CRIM Colorado River Institutional Model) is a nonlinear program that maximizes total net benefits, subject to linear water balance and nonlinear salinity balance constraints. Flows and salinity concentrations are functions of withdrawals, exports, and salt discharges, which are all decision variables. The CRIM is treated as a closed system, with a constant water supply. Model results suggest that efficiency gains are derived primarily from intrastate (not interstate) trade. Mahan et rea occupying the territory of Iran is predominantly of mountainous character, the altitudes exceeding sporadically 3000 m. Considerable part of runoff in this area results from snow melting. Such features are characteristic only of the catchment area spreading as far as to the Derbendi-Khan, covering the surface of about 16972 sq.km. Downstream part of the catchment area from the Derbendi-khan to Hemren (study area) is characterized by somewhat lower altitudes and gradients. Mountainous character is typical only of the east reaches of the intermediate catchment area but the

altitudes very rarely exceed 2000 m so that the influence of snow is negligible. The Diyala river flow on this stretch is about 150km long. The average gradient being about 1m per one kilometer. The main left tributary Alwand has somewhat greater gradient of about 2m/km and it drains the area of 3974 sq.km. The largest right tributary is Narin characterized by small gradient having the catchment area of 2344 sq.km. The Narin river empties into the Diyala river close to the Jebel Hemren.

The total intermediate catchment area from Derbendi-Khan to Hemren was estimated to cover the surface of 12760 sq.km. The total Diyala river catchment area to Hemren is covering the surface of 29772 sq.km.

The upper Diyala river catchment area to Derbendi-Khan and the east part of intermediate catchment area (Alwand) substantially differ from the downstream areas, both in respect of topography and physical features of soil, climate and other.

The rainy season lasts from October to May. Mean annual precipitation ranges to about 1000 mm in the upstream reaches of the catchment area. In the south west direction the depth of precipitation suddenly decreases to about 200 mm at Hemren. Figure (1) shows the mean annual precipitation for Diyala catchment area.

### 3-General Description of Hemren Dam:

The Hemren dam project is designed as a multi-purpose project providing the following requirements;

- control of Diyala river floods
- regulation of Diyala river flows
- power generation
- re-regulation of the Derbendi-Khan power plant discharges.

The Hemren dam and the associated facilities are located in the gorge, cut by Diyala river flow through Jebel Hemren, upstream of Diyala weir in Sadoor.

The project is composed of the dam, the reservoir, spillway, power plant, power tunnels and irrigation tunnels. The main characteristics of the structure are described below:

#### 1.Main dam

The main dam is an earth fill type with central clay core followed by two layers of filters on both sides and supported by a gravel shell.

#### 2.Spillway structure

The spillway structure is composed of the following parts

- A. Approach channel
  - B. Headworks
  - C. Chute and transition zone
  - D. Stilling basin
  - E. Discharge channel
3. Irrigation tunnels
  4. Power plant

### 4-Water Balance Methodology:

The water balance calculation is based on the circulation of water. It assesses the quantities of water in a certain area and over a certain time period. It must be considered all the inflows and outflows as well as changes in storage. For simple systems, such as a container or a water reservoir with measurable inflow and outflow (Frantar, P. et.al., 2005) the balance is straightforward and easily understood. The small water cycle schematic, where the main “inflow” is precipitation and the main “outflow” is evaporation, is also straightforward (Ritter, 2006). The water balance of a selected area, such as a country, region, etc, is much more complicated. Such a balance is invariably a simplified depiction of the actual conditions that covers the essential water balance elements and

accurately portrays the relations between them. This research presents a water balance for the intermediate catchment area between Derbendi-Khan and Hemren dams, that's balance depends on using the regression analysis for the following constraints:

1) The rainfall intensity (I) falling on the intermediate catchment area between Derbendi-Khan-Hemren dams, The released discharge from Derbendi-Khan dam about 150 km upstream the Hemren dam (Q<sub>d</sub>) The inflow discharge for Hemren dam (Q<sub>in</sub>) All the above data have been collected from the date October 1980 to September 2004 from General Directorate for the dams and reservoirs as shown in Tables (1), (2) and (3). These monthly data also have been plotted versus months, which represent time series. Figures (2,3,4) show the time series of (rainfall intensity mm/hr, the discharge released from Derbendi-khan dam m<sup>3</sup>/sec and the discharge entering to Hemren reservoir m<sup>3</sup>/sec) respectively for the entire period.

### 5-Results and Discussion:

The Hemren reservoir was put in operation in 1980. The data which have been collected extend from 1980 to 2004 that gives sufficient information and good confidence level to find the water balance equation for the intermediate catchment area between Derbendi-Khan and Hemren dams. The following equation has been found by using regression analysis for the 24 years for the data (intensity, Q<sub>out</sub> Derbendi-Khan and Q<sub>in</sub> to Hemren):

$$Q_{in} = 0.0002 * I * A + 1.1Q_{out} - 10$$

Where:

Q<sub>in</sub> = the discharge in m<sup>3</sup>/sec to Hemren

I = the rainfall intensity mm/hr falling on the intermediate catchment area

A = the area of the intermediate catchment area which equal to 12760 km<sup>2</sup>

Q<sub>out</sub> = the discharge released from Derbendi-Khan dam m<sup>3</sup>/sec.

(10) Refers to the average water intake for the irrigation requirements by Pelago channel about 5 km down stream Derbendi-Khan dam

From the above equation it can be noticed that the first term represents the rational equation

$Q = K * I * A$  and the losses factor 0.0002 represents the losses from the following:

- The type of the soil and the soil permeability in the study area
- The evaporation from the flowing water between Derbendi-Khan and Hemren dams

Figure (5) below shows the relationship between the discharges to Hemren (Q<sub>in</sub>) observed from October 1980 to September 2004 and the discharge to Hemren calculated by the regression analysis equation.

From Figure (5) the correlation coefficient R is equal to 0.956 and this means the regression equation above gives a good result in comparison With the Observed data.

### 6-Conclusions:

The discharge entering to Hemren reservoir is related to the discharge released from Derbendi-khan reservoir and intensity of rainfall on the catchment's area, and the relationship among these variables is linear.

1. The balance equation covered wide range of variation of the annual and monthly discharges values for Derbendi-Khan dam, inflow discharge of Hemren reservoir and the rainfall intensity of the intermediate catchment's

area with correlation coefficient R equal to 0.956.

2. The water balance equation can be used to operate Hemren dam depending upon rainfall intensity and the discharge released from Derbendi-Khan dam.

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**Table (1) The Monthly Rainfall Intensity (mm/hr) of The Intermediate Catchment Area**

| month<br>Year | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. | May  | Jun | July | Aug. | Sep. |
|---------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|------|------|------|
| 1980          | 2    | 20.1 | 17.1 | 24   | 32.5 | 24.7 | 9    | 5.4  | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| 1981          | 21.2 | 12.1 | 29.2 | 13   | 9.7  | 6.6  | 25.4 | 4.3  | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| 1982          | 9.3  | 26.8 | 14.2 | 17.5 | 12   | 9.5  | 14.9 | 4.5  | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| 1983          | 0    | 5.2  | 29.7 | 5.8  | 11.6 | 18.3 | 15.6 | 5.8  | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| 1984          | 7.5  | 23.3 | 4.5  | 26   | 9.5  | 11.7 | 18.1 | 0    | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| 1985          | 0    | 12.7 | 10.4 | 8.4  | 12.5 | 5.3  | 17.1 | 6    | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| 1986          | 3.8  | 10.6 | 5.7  | 14.1 | 13.8 | 14.5 | 3.8  | 0    | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| 1987          | 22.5 | 4.2  | 3.8  | 7.6  | 5    | 22.5 | 11   | 3.5  | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| 1988          | 0.6  | 4.8  | 15.8 | 3.3  | 15.5 | 13.5 | 0    | 0.9  | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| 1989          | 0.4  | 45.9 | 11.5 | 13.1 | 18   | 17.2 | 24.4 | 0.9  | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| 1990          | 7.3  | 25.4 | 4.3  | 0    | 40.7 | 41.8 | 6.2  | 0.3  | 7.9 | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| 1991          | 2.1  | 16.7 | 27.6 | 11   | 6.9  | 6    | 2.7  | 44.9 | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| 1992          | 2    | 10.6 | 18.5 | 15.8 | 21.2 | 17.7 | 33   | 14.3 | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| 1993          | 8.5  | 29.3 | 16.8 | 23.3 | 4.6  | 14.8 | 7.1  | 2.7  | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| 1994          | 18.2 | 44.3 | 17.4 | 2.5  | 2.7  | 22.1 | 26.3 | 4.4  | 0.1 | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| 1995          | 0    | 8.1  | 11.5 | 33.8 | 4.1  | 30.1 | 11.4 | 2.8  | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| 1996          | 0.7  | 0.3  | 13.7 | 20.1 | 5.4  | 31.7 | 12.2 | 2.1  | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| 1997          | 5.1  | 36.5 | 23.3 | 40.1 | 3.7  | 35.2 | 3.1  | 0    | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| 1998          | 0    | 11.4 | 0    | 31.3 | 14.8 | 0.2  | 2.1  | 0    | 0   | 0.3  | 0    | 0    |

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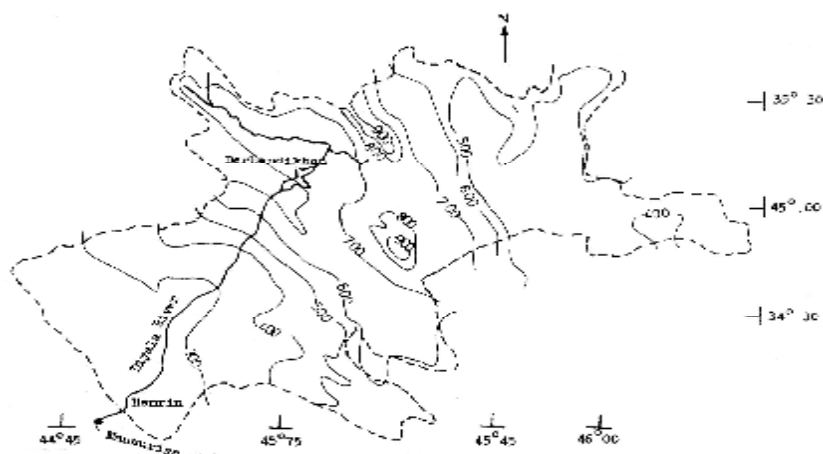
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|---------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|
| 1999          | 4.2  | 0    | 6.6  | 13.3 | 0.8  | 9.8  | 1.3  | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| 2000          | 0.6  | 18.1 | 51.9 | 11.2 | 14.4 | 19.1 | 2.3  | 0.5 | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| 2001          | 0.5  | 4.7  | 20   | 35.3 | 14.1 | 18.2 | 20.9 | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| 2002          | 2.6  | 13.1 | 22.7 | 0    | 0    | 8.3  | 8.7  | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| 2003          | 0    | 19.9 | 26.6 | 29.9 | 7.1  | 1.2  | 3.1  | 7.1 | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0    |

**Table (2) The Monthly Discharges Released from Derbendi-Khan  
Dam (m<sup>3</sup>/sec)**

| month<br>Year | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. | May | Jun | July | Aug. | Sep. |
|---------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|
| 1980          | 150  | 145  | 150  | 147  | 154  | 342  | 420  | 260 | 129 | 113  | 200  | 200  |
| 1981          | 116  | 105  | 109  | 102  | 118  | 212  | 346  | 206 | 99  | 99   | 132  | 114  |
| 1982          | 130  | 124  | 105  | 158  | 259  | 328  | 285  | 254 | 136 | 134  | 157  | 190  |
| 1983          | 172  | 101  | 100  | 90   | 90   | 85   | 85   | 85  | 94  | 107  | 120  | 80   |
| 1984          | 94   | 104  | 238  | 260  | 472  | 482  | 400  | 202 | 150 | 153  | 176  | 112  |
| 1985          | 170  | 155  | 126  | 143  | 87   | 105  | 170  | 191 | 129 | 120  | 120  | 112  |
| 1986          | 153  | 168  | 102  | 150  | 107  | 289  | 367  | 195 | 103 | 119  | 148  | 199  |
| 1987          | 180  | 177  | 150  | 281  | 312  | 1139 | 727  | 436 | 82  | 164  | 127  | 116  |
| 1988          | 110  | 110  | 110  | 110  | 110  | 277  | 243  | 114 | 110 | 110  | 110  | 128  |
| 1989          | 150  | 149  | 118  | 119  | 81   | 187  | 161  | 137 | 105 | 129  | 164  | 169  |
| 1990          | 142  | 102  | 100  | 90   | 79   | 163  | 157  | 122 | 150 | 147  | 143  | 239  |
| 1991          | 160  | 120  | 123  | 182  | 211  | 263  | 778  | 493 | 234 | 215  | 171  | 172  |
| 1992          | 137  | 118  | 119  | 106  | 105  | 90   | 124  | 231 | 115 | 97   | 87   | 94   |
| 1993          | 95   | 88   | 202  | 362  | 261  | 421  | 301  | 264 | 135 | 141  | 122  | 110  |
| 1994          | 127  | 155  | 249  | 273  | 357  | 155  | 440  | 281 | 184 | 145  | 132  | 149  |
| 1995          | 170  | 120  | 183  | 122  | 130  | 135  | 141  | 167 | 159 | 170  | 162  | 151  |
| 1996          | 135  | 107  | 105  | 117  | 106  | 40   | 74   | 101 | 134 | 154  | 144  | 94   |
| 1997          | 60   | 57   | 100  | 140  | 215  | 535  | 660  | 240 | 170 | 155  | 140  | 138  |
| 1998          | 132  | 120  | 130  | 35   | 37   | 44   | 38   | 44  | 47  | 46   | 47   | 42   |
| 1999          | 42   | 45   | 30   | 33   | 35   | 37   | 48   | 47  | 57  | 94   | 75   | 48   |
| 2000          | 35   | 14   | 44   | 28   | 30   | 27   | 24   | 27  | 48  | 66   | 71   | 50   |
| 2001          | 37   | 35   | 32   | 28   | 34   | 34   | 163  | 135 | 81  | 88   | 96   | 99   |
| 2002          | 108  | 93   | 126  | 127  | 158  | 156  | 173  | 130 | 114 | 135  | 142  | 163  |
| 2003          | 160  | 115  | 140  | 118  | 135  | 132  | 96   | 105 | 146 | 160  | 170  | 100  |

**Table (3) The Monthly Inflow Discharges for Hemren Reservoir (m<sup>3</sup>/sec)**

| month<br>Year | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. | May | Jun | July | Aug. | Sep. |
|---------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|
| 1980          | 129  | 172  | 114  | 240  | 192  | 491  | 475  | 301 | 98  | 90   | 117  | 132  |
| 1981          | 89   | 110  | 135  | 188  | 208  | 244  | 493  | 277 | 100 | 86   | 91   | 132  |
| 1982          | 118  | 189  | 127  | 193  | 281  | 321  | 344  | 256 | 104 | 102  | 105  | 121  |
| 1983          | 132  | 88   | 103  | 90   | 91   | 112  | 102  | 75  | 65  | 63   | 67   | 55   |
| 1984          | 68   | 241  | 267  | 327  | 587  | 527  | 456  | 205 | 113 | 134  | 177  | 100  |
| 1985          | 134  | 162  | 148  | 150  | 191  | 116  | 151  | 206 | 107 | 73   | 63   | 65   |
| 1986          | 110  | 187  | 140  | 146  | 124  | 368  | 397  | 181 | 56  | 47   | 94   | 120  |
| 1987          | 152  | 193  | 322  | 369  | 550  | 1209 | 837  | 473 | 258 | 97   | 70   | 63   |
| 1988          | 10   | 80   | 152  | 118  | 109  | 306  | 220  | 69  | 46  | 52   | 54   | 71   |
| 1989          | 88   | 129  | 170  | 138  | 191  | 250  | 157  | 101 | 57  | 72   | 105  | 108  |
| 1990          | 107  | 90   | 78   | 111  | 151  | 230  | 148  | 90  | 89  | 64   | 61   | 143  |
| 1991          | 108  | 98   | 226  | 209  | 328  | 383  | 751  | 523 | 237 | 169  | 135  | 122  |
| 1992          | 116  | 115  | 186  | 184  | 190  | 119  | 171  | 233 | 96  | 54   | 53   | 58   |
| 1993          | 82   | 137  | 229  | 466  | 337  | 470  | 323  | 252 | 98  | 89   | 90   | 80   |
| 1994          | 118  | 295  | 305  | 345  | 441  | 218  | 468  | 318 | 157 | 100  | 101  | 113  |
| 1995          | 156  | 121  | 195  | 217  | 157  | 189  | 181  | 157 | 124 | 109  | 115  | 100  |
| 1996          | 102  | 108  | 125  | 161  | 133  | 135  | 117  | 95  | 108 | 97   | 100  | 73   |
| 1997          | 66   | 142  | 190  | 270  | 345  | 670  | 910  | 280 | 160 | 130  | 108  | 110  |
| 1998          | 113  | 126  | 130  | 120  | 95   | 49   | 23   | 23  | 12  | 5    | 5    | 6    |
| 1999          | 18   | 53   | 45   | 65   | 45   | 39   | 39   | 28  | 26  | 56   | 37   | 13   |
| 2000          | 20   | 24   | 142  | 77   | 74   | 59   | 23   | 0   | 0   | 15   | 26   | 12   |
| 2001          | 13   | 37   | 90   | 132  | 90   | 67   | 186  | 115 | 38  | 30   | 36   | 51   |
| 2002          | 83   | 108  | 226  | 185  | 215  | 222  | 204  | 124 | 82  | 80   | 83   | 112  |
| 2003          | 140  | 143  | 173  | 225  | 207  | 140  | 90   | 87  | 95  | 103  | 110  | 60   |

**Figure (1) The Mean Annual Precipitation for Diyala Catchment Area**



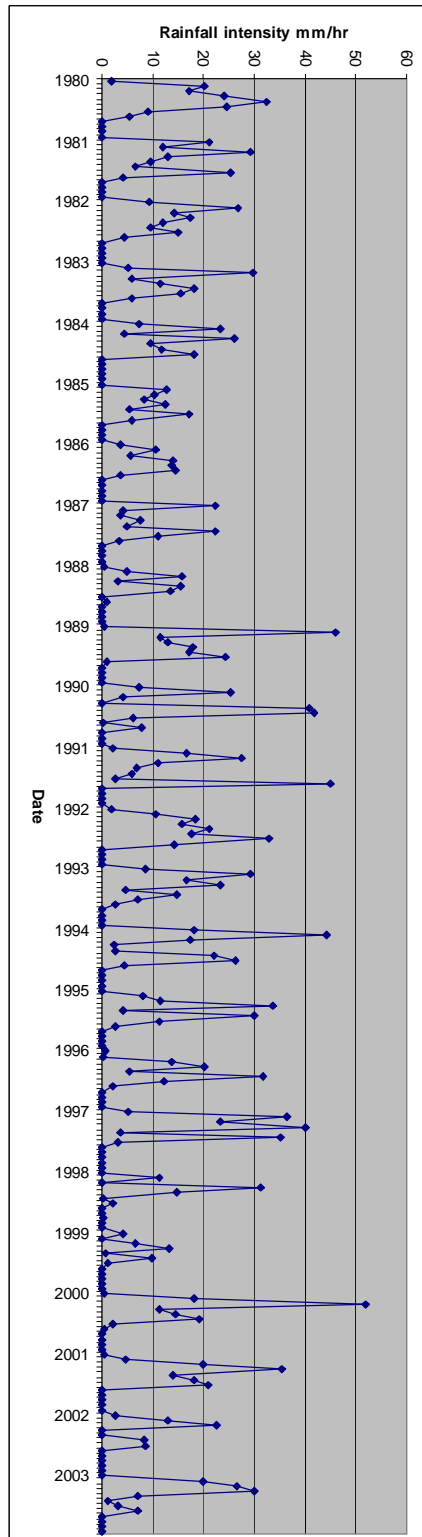


Fig. (2) The Time Series of Rainfall Intensity at The Intermediate Catchment Area (Oct.1980-Sep.2004)

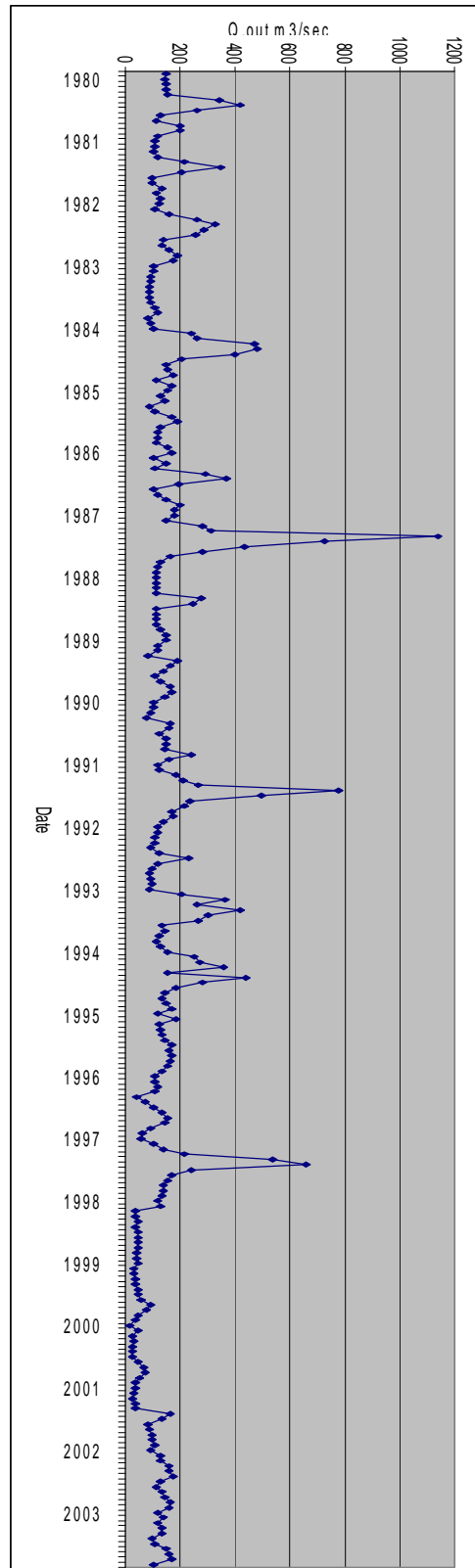
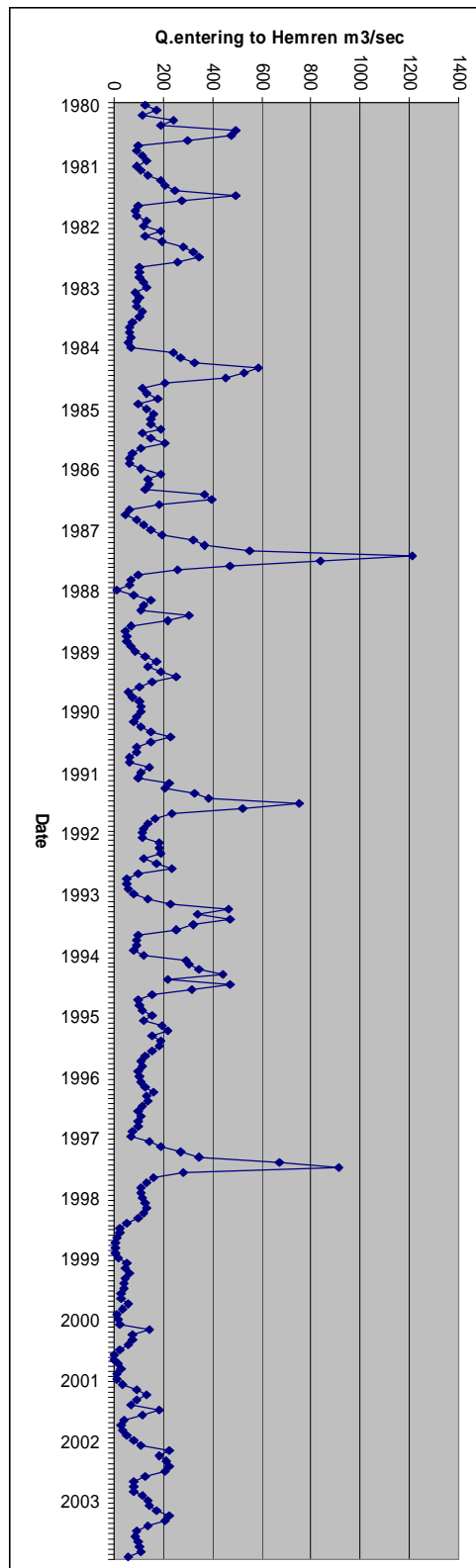


Fig. (3) The Time Series of The Released Discharge From Derbendi-Khan Dam (Oct. 1980-Sep. 2004)

Fig.(4) The Time Series of The Inflow Discharges of Hemren Reservoir (Oct.1980-



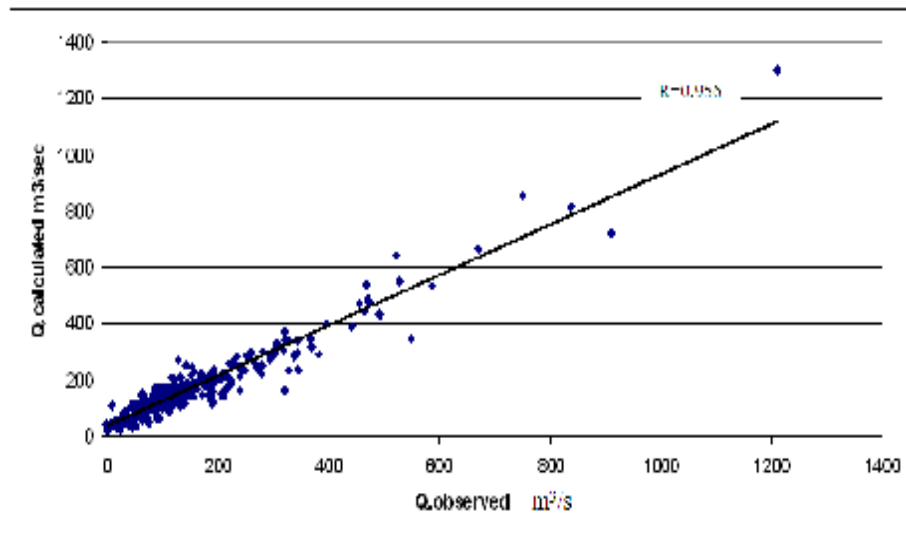


Figure (5) The relation between the calculated and observed discharge to Hemren dam