

APPENDIX D
DERIVATION OF EQUATION FOR AVERAGE DIMENSIONLESS
SHEAR STRESS OVER THE FLAT-BED REGION

The average dimensionless shear stress over the flat-bed region can be determined by integrating the expression for dimensionless flat-bed stress-depth over the width of the flat-bed region, and then dividing this by the flat-bed width.

$$d_{ave}^* = \frac{2 \int_0^{\frac{B_f^*}{2}} d^*(y^*) dy^*}{B_f^*} \quad (D1)$$

Due to symmetry of the stress-depth distribution about the center of the channel, integration may be performed over the channel's half-width and the result multiplied by 2. The dimensionless stress-depth at any point along the flat-bed is given by

$$d^*(y^*) = 1 + \frac{(d_{cr}^* - 1)}{\cosh\left(\frac{B_f^*}{2\sqrt{y_0}}\right)} \cosh\left(\frac{y^*}{\sqrt{y_0}}\right) \quad (D2)$$

where

$$y_0 = \left(\frac{1}{12} \ln\left(\frac{30}{k^*}\right) - \frac{5}{72} \right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{2 \ln(30/k^*) - \frac{17}{3}} \right)$$

Substituting this expression into Equation D1 and integrating the numerator results in the following equation:

$$d_{ave}^* = \frac{2 \left[y^* + \frac{(d_{cr}^* - 1)}{\cosh\left(\frac{B_f^*}{2\sqrt{y_0}}\right)} \sqrt{y_0} \sinh\left(\frac{y^*}{\sqrt{y_0}}\right) \right]_0^{\frac{B_f^*}{2}}}{B_f^*} \quad (D3)$$

Evaluating the right-hand side of Equation D3 at the junction point ($y^* = B_f^*/2$) and at the center of the channel ($y^* = 0$), then subtracting the result of the latter from that of the former, yields the expression for the average dimensionless stress-depth over the flat-bed region is obtained.

$$d_{ave}^* = 1 + \frac{2(d_{cr}^* - 1)\sqrt{y_0}}{B_f^*} \tanh\left(\frac{B_f^*}{2\sqrt{y_0}}\right) \quad (D4)$$

The following expressions define dimensionless shear stress τ^* and dimensionless stress-depth δ^* :

$$t^* = \frac{t}{(r_s - r)gd_{50}} \quad (D5)$$

$$d^* = \frac{t}{rgSD_c} \quad (D6)$$

Dividing Equation D5 by Equation D6,

$$\frac{t^*}{d^*} = \frac{SD_c}{R_S d_{50}} \quad (D7)$$

where

$$R_S = \frac{(r_s - r)}{r}$$

It should be noted that for a given channel, the right-hand side of Equation D7 is constant. This means that the ratios of all dimensionless shear stresses to their corresponding dimensionless stress-depths are the same for a given channel. Therefore,

$$\frac{t_{ave}^*}{d_{ave}^*} = \frac{t_{cr}^*}{d_{cr}^*} \quad (D8)$$

Multiplying both sides of Equation D8 by d_{cr}^* and plugging in Equation D4 yields the equation for dimensionless average shear stress for the flat-bed region.

$$t_{ave}^* = \left(\frac{t_{cr}^*}{d_{cr}^*} \right) \left[1 + \frac{2(d_{cr}^* - 1)\sqrt{y_o}}{B_f^*} \tanh \left(\frac{B_f^*}{2\sqrt{y_o}} \right) \right] \quad (D9)$$