## Identification of the Parameters of the Instantaneous Point Pollution Source in the Azov Sea Based on the Adjoint Method

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The passive admixture transport model in the Azov Sea is considered. The problem of cartelistic impulse local source identification at the sea surface based on adjoint method is solving by integration of independent series of adjoint tasks. Simultaneous solution of this problem at the parallel mode is realized by the aforementioned approach. The efficiency of the algorithm optimal value power of source search agreed with the data measurements is shown in the test example. The measurement data assimilation algorithm in the passive admixture transfer model is implemented applying variational methods of filtration for optimal estimate retrieval. The retrieval is carried out by means of the method of adjoint equations and solving of linear systems. On the basis of the variational filtration method of data assimilation, the optimal estimate retrieval algorithm for pollution source power identification is constructed. In application of the algorithm, the integration of the main, linked and adjoint problems is implemented. Integration problems are solved using TVD approximations. For the application of the procedure, the Azov current fields and turbulent diffusion coefficients are obtained using the sigma coordinate ocean model (POM) under the eastern wind stress conditions being dominant at the observed time period. Furthermore, the results can be used to perform numerical data assimilation on loads of suspended matter.

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**Introduction.** The increasing anthropogenic impact on the Azov Sea water area requires the creation of environmental condition monitoring systems, allowing the operative assessment of the environmental situation in areas exposed to human impact, especially in heavy traffic and port areas. Solution of these problems is possible on the basis of methods of mathematical modeling of passive admixture transport [1] and methods for solving inverse problems [2 - 4], where the identification of certain numerical simulation parameters are based on measurements due to their assimilation. Recently, the variational assimilation methods and the adjoint method are actively developed and used to handle the oceanographic problems [5 - 7]. To provide timely information about the studied object condition numerical implementation of these models and algorithms should be realized on high-performance computers applying with the up-to-date approaches, including parallelization. The algorithms of measurement data assimilation are generally based on the minimization of a quadratic functional quality that characterizes the deviation of the model solutions from the measurement data. At that, the model of passive admixture transport acts as limitations on the variations of the input parameters. In [8] a variational algorithm for the power source identification is considered. In this paper, the adjoint method [9] is applied. It gives a possibility of the efficient (in terms of computing process organization) search for pollution source parameters.

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The adjoint method. Below the model of passive admixture transport in  $\sigma$ -coordinates is considered

$$\frac{\partial DC}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial DUC}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial DVC}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial WC}{\partial \sigma} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} A_H \frac{\partial DC}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} A_H \frac{\partial DC}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma} \frac{K}{D} \frac{\partial C}{\partial \sigma}$$
(1)

with the following conditions on the side boundaries

$$\Gamma: \frac{\partial C}{\partial n} = 0, \qquad (2)$$

the boundary conditions on the surface and at the bottom

$$\sigma = 0: \frac{\partial C}{\partial \sigma} = Q, \quad Q = Q_s \cdot \delta(t - 0) \cdot \delta(x - x_0) \cdot \delta(y - y_0),$$
  

$$\sigma = -1: \frac{\partial C}{\partial \sigma} = 0,$$
(3)

and the initial data as follows

$$C(x, y, \sigma, 0) = 0, \qquad (4)$$

where t is the time;  $x_0$ ,  $y_0$  are the point source coordinates; D is the dynamic depth; C is the admixture concentration; Q is the instant point source with the power  $Q_s$ ; U,V,W are the velocity field components;  $A_H$  and K are horizontal and vertical diffusion components correspondingly; n is the normal to the side boundary.

Multiplying the expressions (1) – (4) on  $C^*$  and integrating by parts, taking into account the boundary conditions and the adjoint equation analog to the  $\sigma$ -coordinates

$$\frac{\partial D}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial DU}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial DV}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial W}{\partial \sigma} = 0, \qquad (5)$$

choosing  $C^*$  to be a solution of the following adjoint problem:

$$-\frac{\partial DC^{*}}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial DUC^{*}}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial DVC^{*}}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial WC^{*}}{\partial \sigma} - D\frac{\partial}{\partial x}A_{H}\frac{\partial C^{*}}{\partial x} - D\frac{\partial}{\partial y}A_{H}\frac{\partial C^{*}}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma}\frac{K}{D}\frac{\partial C^{*}}{\partial \sigma} = 0,$$
(6)

$$\Gamma: \frac{\partial C^*}{\partial n} = 0, \ \sigma = 0: \frac{\partial C^*}{\partial \sigma} = g, \ \sigma = -1: \frac{\partial C^*}{\partial \sigma} = 0,$$
(7)

$$t = T : C^* = 0,$$
 (8)

we'll obtain

$$\int_{S} Q \cdot C^* \cdot dS = \int_{S} C \cdot g \cdot dS , \qquad (9)$$

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where *S* is the sea surface;  $g = \delta(t-T) \cdot \delta(x-x_n) \cdot \delta(y-y_n)$ , n = 1,...,N, *N* – is the total number of measuring points for the final time. Taking into account the representations for *Q* and *g* from the formula (9), we have

$$Q_{S}C_{n}^{*}(0, x_{0}, y_{0}, 0) = C(T, x_{n}, y_{n}, 0), \ n = 1, ..., N.$$
(10)

The formula (9) is similar to the formula obtained in the method of concentration field assessment [10] for different initial conditions, and is inherently a dual representation [9] of concentration through the power and the relevant adjoint problem solution. Note that N of the adjoint problems for N points are independent from each other and may be implemented in parallel by different executors (processors).

In case the emission point coordinates  $(x_0, y_0)$  are to be determined, then solving N of the adjoint problems (6) - (8), it is possible to define the area  $\Omega = \bigcap L_n, n = 1, ..., N$ , where  $L_n$  are areas of the essential values of  $C_n^*$ . The preliminary numerical experiments carried out have shown that a priori information about the location and boundaries of the contaminated plume is important in determining the  $\Omega$  area. Location of the points  $(x_i, y_i)$  on the pollution area boundary permits to narrow significantly the  $\Omega$  area. The measuring data application in the points of maximal concentration leads to the better conditionality of the problem being solved of the  $Q_s$  definition. Choosing  $(x_i, y_i) \in \Omega$ , i=1,...,M, M of the systems for various coordinates of the pollution source can be built. The best assessment of  $Q_s$  will correspond to the true condition of the source. For the condition  $(x_i, y_i) = (x_0, y_0)$  the values  $Q_s^n \approx Q_s$ , n = 1, ..., N. The values of  $Q_s$  are found from the system (10) by means of the filtration method [11], well-proven in the solution of oceanographic problems [12]. In case of the overdetermined system (10) and errors in the measuring of  $C_n$ , the measuring data filtration taking in account all the information concentrated in Nequations is necessary. As a result of this procedure, the equations of the new system are sorted by rank and uninformative equations are removed. Eventually, in the first equation of the system the equation with the best conditionality appears. By means of this equation the value of  $Q_s$  is found

The results of numerical experiments. Numerical experiments were carried out applying the model of the work [1] to the Azov Sea. To test the algorithm of the source power identification, the calculation of the model current field under the influence of constant wind of the northeastern direction at a speed of 10 m/s was performed. As a result of simulation the spatial distribution of the coefficients  $A_H$  and K was also obtained. The velocity fields and turbulent diffusion coefficients were used as input data in the integration of passive admixture transport model for a period of 5 days.



Fig. 1. Location of the instant point source, normed concentration field and measuring points



Fig. 2. Solution of the adjoint problems,  $\Omega$  area and location of the pollution sources

Model concentration field was calculated when  $Q_s = 1$ , and the calculation results were normalized to the maximum value. In Fig. 1 the true location of the instant point source is indicated by a black dot. Except the model concentration field, this figure shows four measuring points (N = 4). The result of integration of the four adjoint problems (6) – (8) is demonstrated in Fig. 2. The  $\Omega$  area corresponding to these adjoint problems is colored grey. From this figure it can be clearly seen that the true source location, marked by *I*, belongs to the  $\Omega$  area. For this point the solution of the four equations of the system (10) has the following values:  $Q_s^1 = 1.024$ ,  $Q_s^2 = 0.9882$ ,  $Q_s^3 = 0.9581$ ,  $Q_s^4 = 1.2446$ ; for the point 2 –  $Q_s^1 = 0.8863$ ,  $Q_s^2 = 2.2692$ ,  $Q_s^3 = 1.3714$ ,  $Q_s^4 = 21.1078$ ; for the point 3 –  $Q_s^1 = 2.5234$ ,  $Q_s^2 = 1.1829$ ,  $Q_s^3 = 0.4601$ ,  $Q_s^4 = 1.2467$ . The point *1* is the true location of the pollution source, as the values in this point are  $Q_s^i \approx 1$ . The values of  $Q_s^i$  in the other points are increasingly different from each other, so are not considered. From the overdetermined system (10) for the point *1* on the basis of the filtration method,  $Q_s = 1.0122$  is found.

**Conclusion.** The numerical experiments showed that the result of the pollution source identification parameters to a great degree depend on location of the measuring points. The most accurate reproduction of the true value of the power of the pollution source is obtained in the case where measurements are made in the area of maximum concentration field values, which leads to a better conditionality of the problem being solved. Application of the filtration method in solving the overdetermined system permits to obtain the solution with all the incoming data taken into account. In general, the performed numerical experiments show that the algorithm for the identification of pollution power source is reliable. The results can be used to solve various problems of ecological orientation in the study of the impact of anthropogenic pollution sources in the waters of the Azov and Black Seas.

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