

COLLECTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF WATER

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Collection and Distribution of Water

- Deals with the transport of water from the source through the treatment plant to the consumers.
- It requires
 - intake structures,
 - transmission lines,
 - distribution pipe networks and
 - other essential accessories.



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Surface water Intakes

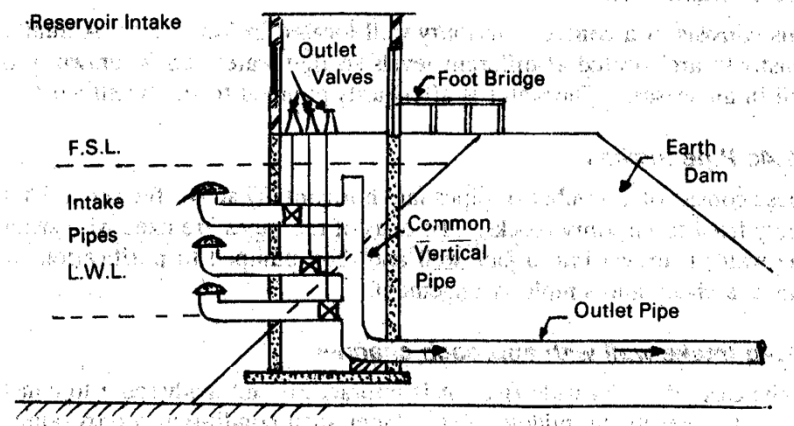
- Floating intakes
- Submerged intakes
- Tower intakes
- Shore intakes
- Pier intakes



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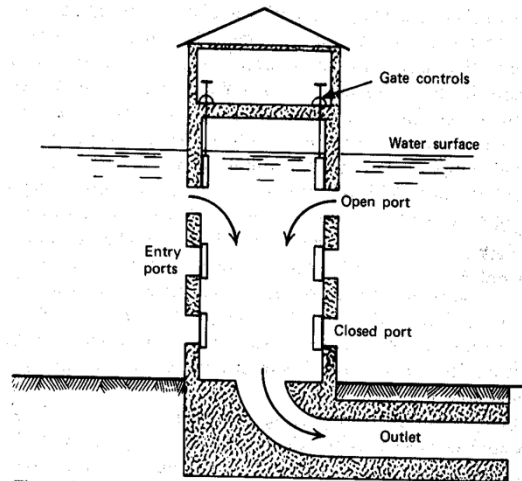
Reservoir Intake



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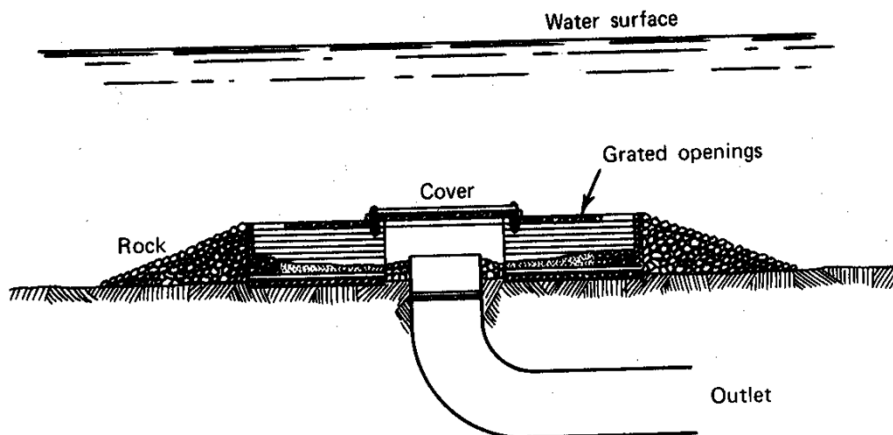
Tower Intake



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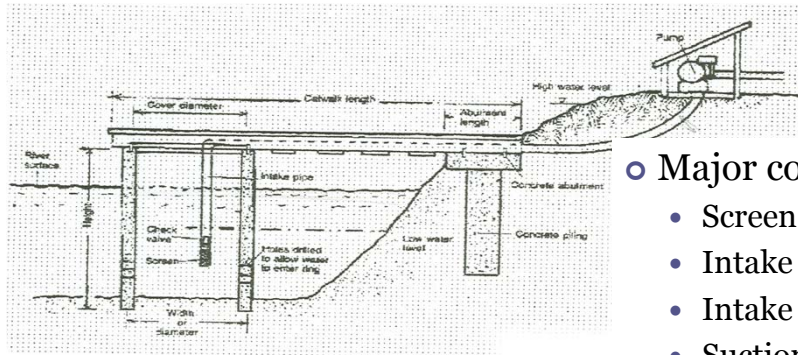
Submerged Lake Intake



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River Intake



Major components

- Screen inlet
- Intake pipe
- Intake sump
- Suction pipe
- Pumps
- Gate and foot valves
- access



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Intake Structures

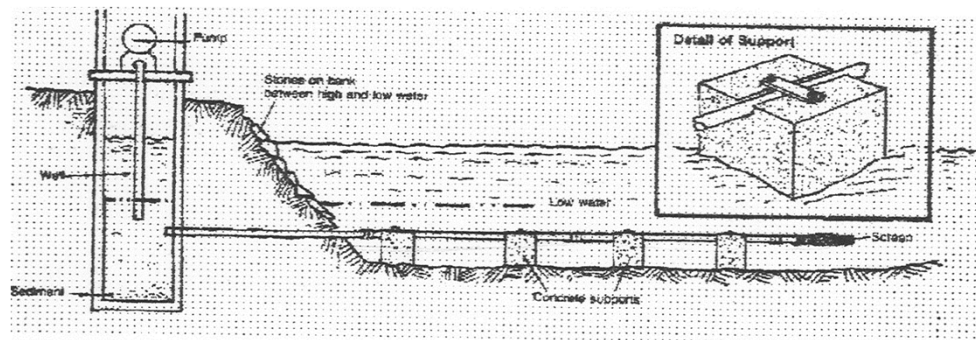


Figure: an example of a lake intake



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locating the positions of intakes

- Avoid wastewater discharge points and pollution hazard
- enable withdrawal of water from a range of levels
- Magnitude and direction of stream or current velocities should not affect the function and stability of the intake structure.
- Reliable access roads and power sources should be available
- should be near to treatment plant
- Should not interfere with navigation requirements,
- major environmental impacts should be avoided

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Design Criteria for intake structures

- Design capacity = Q max-day
- Intake velocity should be ≤ 8 cm/s
- vertical positions intake ports should be such that good quality water is withdrawn.
- Locate the top intake port at a distance not less than 2 m from the normal water level and the bottom port at least 1 m above the bottom.

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Intake design

- **Volume of sump** → detention time. A detention time of at least 20min is recommended.
- At least two sumps - to avoid interruption of service.
- **Height** (with a freeboard about 0.5m)
- Location of the bottom of the sump should be $> 1.5\text{m}$ below the lowest stream level or $> 1\text{m}$ below stream bed.

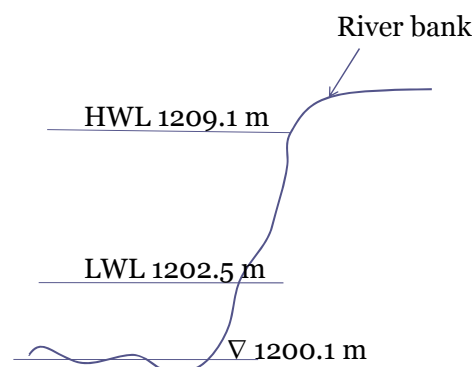


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Example 1: River Intake design

- Given the following information proportion a suitable river intake.
 - Daily demand 5000 m^3
 - Pump capacity: 50 l/s (working 8 hr/day)



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Example 1 Solution

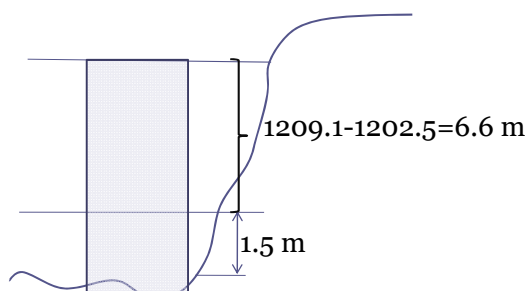
- Capacity of each pump daily = $8 \times 3600 \times 50 / 1000 = 1440 \text{ m}^3$
- Number of pumps = $5000 / 1440 = 3.47 \cong 4$
- Hourly flow of each pump = $5000 / (4 \times 8) = 156.24 \text{ m}^3/\text{h}$
- Take detention time, $T_d = 20 \text{ min}$
- \rightarrow capacity = $T_d \times Q = (20/60) \times 156.24 = 52.08 \text{ m}^3$



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Example 1 Solution



- Effective height of sump = $6.6 + 1.5 = 8.1$
- Free board = 0.5
- Total sump height = 8.6 m
- If we use circular sump diameter = 2.86 m



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Pipelines and appurtenances

The selection of pipe materials is based on

- carrying capacity
- strength
- ease of transportation and handling
- availability
- quality of water
- cost (initial and maintenance)



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Pipelines and appurtenances

- *Cast iron pipes:*
 - highly resistant to corrosion, strong **but brittle**,
 - easy jointing, withstanding high internal pressure, long life
 - **very heavy and difficult to transport**



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Pipelines and appurtenances

- *Steel pipe:*
 - strong, very light weight and can withstand higher pressure than cast iron pipes.
 - cheap, easy to construct and can be easily transported
 - cannot withstand external loads, affected by corrosion and are costly to maintain.

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Pipelines and appurtenances

- *Cement-lined cast iron pipes:*
 - cement protect against corrosion.
 - very small coefficient of friction than unlined cast iron pipes.

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Pipelines and appurtenances

- *Plastic pipes:*
 - corrosion resistant , light weight and economical.
 - Rigid (unplasticized) uPVC is stronger and can withstand much higher pressure for a given wall thickness.



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Pipelines and Appurtenances

- *Valves:*
 - to **isolate** segments of a pipeline, to **regulate** rate of flow, to **control** pressure, and to **allow** release or entry of air from pipe system.
- *Factors considered in the selection of valves:*
 - include purpose and operation,
 - capacity required,
 - head loss and rate of flow,
 - cost,
 - availability, etc.



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Pipelines and Appurtenances

- **Shutoff valves:**
 - to stop the flow of water through a pipeline
 - spacing from 150 to 370m
 - a minimum of three of the four pipes connected at a junction are valved.
 - fire hydrant, in inlet, outlet, and by-pass lines
 - Gate valves and butterfly valves



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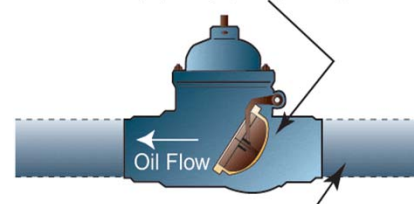
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Pipelines and appurtenances

- **Check valves:**
 - semiautomatic device and permits water flow only in one direction.
 - in the discharge pipes of centrifugal pumps → prevent backflow
 - in conjunction with altitude valves



Valve Clapper
(in partially opened position)



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Pipelines and appurtenances

- *Altitude valves :*
 - to automatically control the flow into and out of an elevated storage tank or standpipe to maintain desired water level elevations.
 - include double-acting sequence valve, single-acting type, or differential altitude valve



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Pipelines and appurtenances

- *Air-release and vacuum valves :*
 - Air-release valves installed at high points of distribution piping, in valve domes, and fittings, and in discharge lines from pump to discharge the trapped air.
 - Vacuum valves are used to protect pipelines from collapse as they are emptied, by allowing air to enter the pipes.

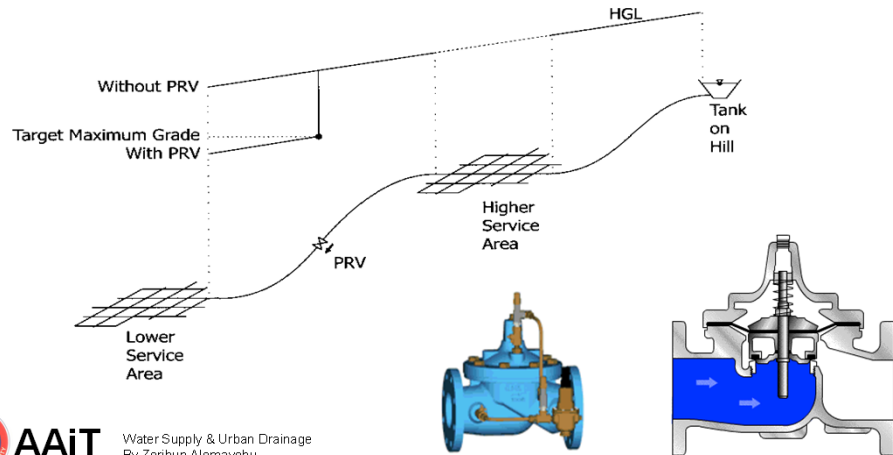


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Pipelines and appurtenances

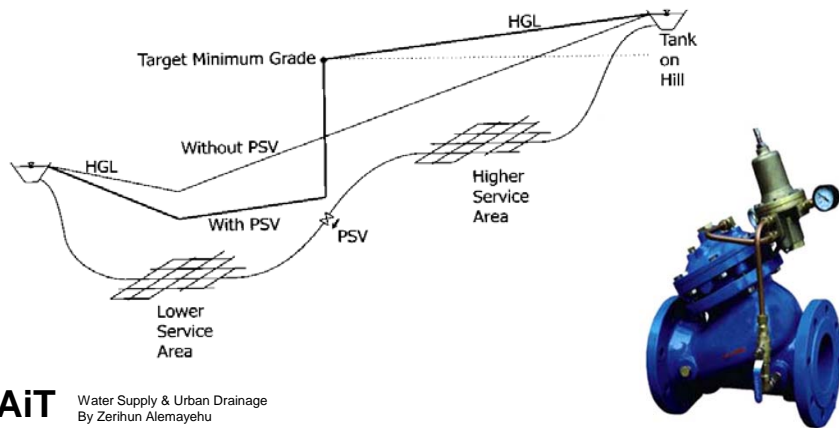
- *Pressure reducing valves (PRV).* :



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Pipelines and appurtenances

- *Pressure sustaining valves (PSV).* :



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Distribution systems

- Depending upon the **level of the source** of water and **the city, topography** of the area, and other local considerations,
 - Gravitational system,
 - Pumping without storage, and
 - Pumping with storage.

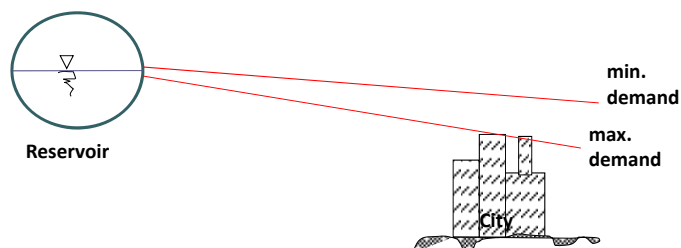


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Distribution systems

- **Gravitational system:**
 - action of gravity without any pumping
 - most economical and reliable
 - for cities situated at foothills



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Distribution systems

- **Pumping without storage:**
 - treated water is directly pumped into the distribution mains without storing
 - High lift pumps → operate at variable speeds → to match variable water demand
 - Disadvantageous (power failure) ← no reserve flow

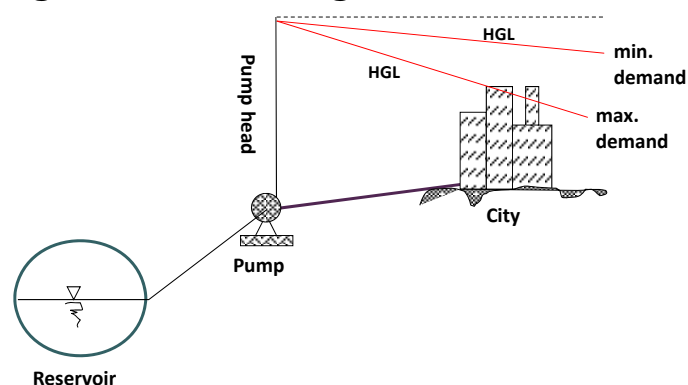


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Distribution systems

- **Pumping without storage:**



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Distribution systems

- **Pumping with storage:**
 - treated water is pumped at a constant rate → stored in elevated distribution reservoir → distributed to the consumers by the action of gravity
 - excess water during low demand period gets stored in the reservoir → supplied during high demand periods.
 - pumps work at uniform rate → high efficiency
 - quite reliable (even during power failure)

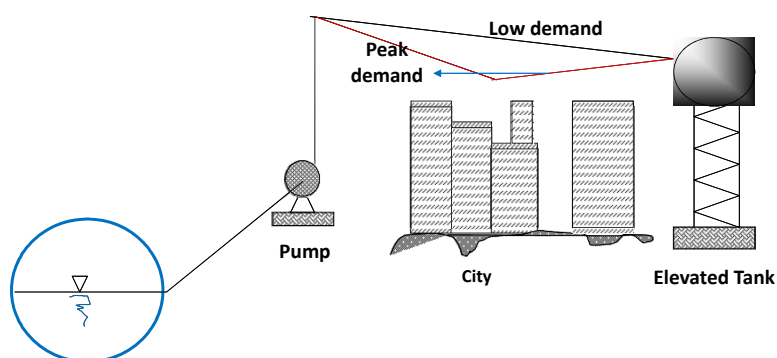


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Distribution systems

- **Pumping with storage:**



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Layout of distribution systems

- **Pipe networks :**
 - *Primary or arterial mains*
 - from the **pumping stations** and from **storage facilities** to the various **districts** of the city.
 - valved at intervals of not ≤ 1.5 km
 - *Secondary lines or Sub-mains*
 - run from one primary main to another
 - located at spacings of 2-4 blocks
 - *Small distribution mains or branches*
 - Supply water to every consumer and to the fire hydrants



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Layout of distribution systems

- layout of distribution pipes generally follows the road pattern
- four types of pipe network layouts –
 - *dead end system or branch system,*
 - *gridiron system,*
 - *ring system, and*
 - *radial system.*



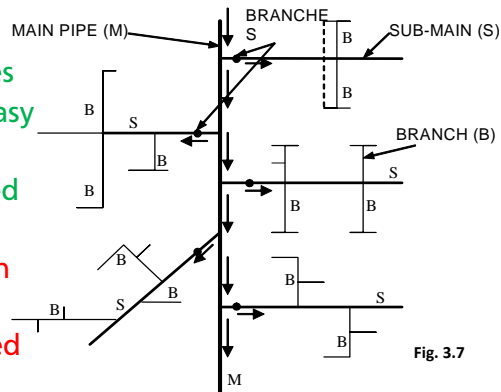
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Layout of distribution systems

- **Dead end system**

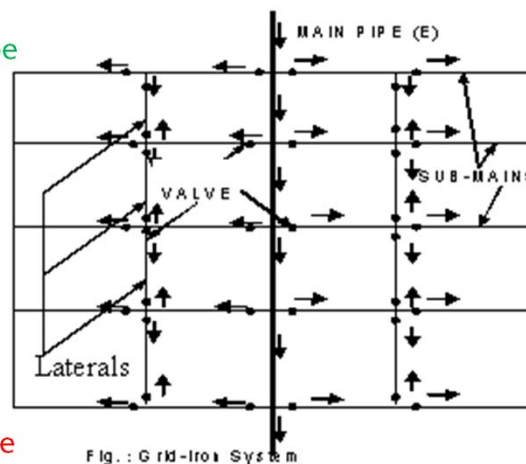
- solved easily
- Lesser number of shut-off valves
- Shorter pipe lengths and the easy to lay pipes
- cheap and simple and expanded easily
- dead ends → prevent circulation of water
- Problematic if a pipe is damaged



Layout of distribution systems

- **Gridiron systems**

- Discharge, friction loss and pipe size is less
- Not problematic if a pipe is damaged
- No dead ends → allows circulation of water
- Good for fire fighting
- more pipelines and shut-off valves
- high cost of construction
- design is difficult and expensive



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Layout of distribution systems

- **Ring systems:**

- closed ring, circular or rectangular
- suitable for well-planned towns and cities
- Generally at high demand areas
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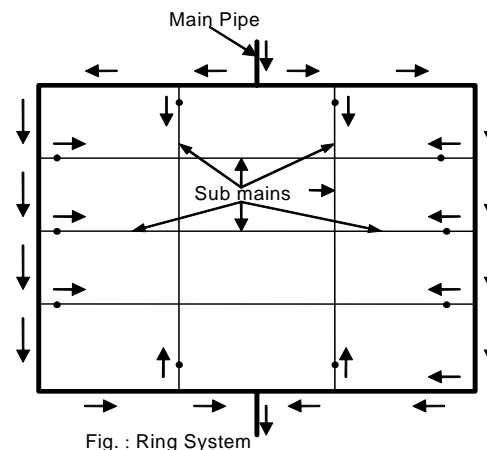


Fig. : Ring System



Layout of distribution systems

- **Radial systems**

- For city or a town having a system of radial roads emerging from different centers
- distribution reservoirs at these centers
- From mains → pumped into the DRs placed at different centers and then to the service areas.
- ensures high pressure and efficient water distribution

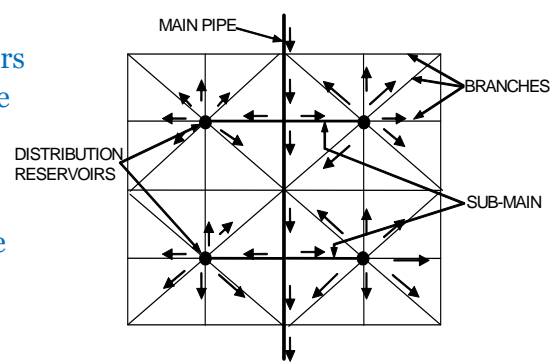


Fig. : Radial System

