

# Corps of Engineers, Kansas City Office – Flood Control

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# RiverWare Model

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- Test model of a portion of the Kansas River system
  - 6-hour timestep, operational model
- Inflow forecasting, surcharge operations, and flood control
  - Flood control based on phase balancing
- Need for RiverWare model
  - No previous models for operations/planning
  - Algorithms designed from operations manuals and from the operating procedures used by the operators

# Surcharge Release

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- Three different surcharge methods used:
- Induced Surcharge Curve
  - Series of curves defining the surcharge release based on forecasted inflow and pool elevation
  - Maintain gate opening as pool elevation falls back to top of flood pool
- Specified Surcharge Release
  - Release specified amount when elevation enters surcharge pool
  - Release maximum when critical pool elevation is exceeded
- Pass Inflows
  - Pass inflows until max release is reached, maintain until elevation falls back to flood pool

# Phase Balancing (KC-COE flood control)

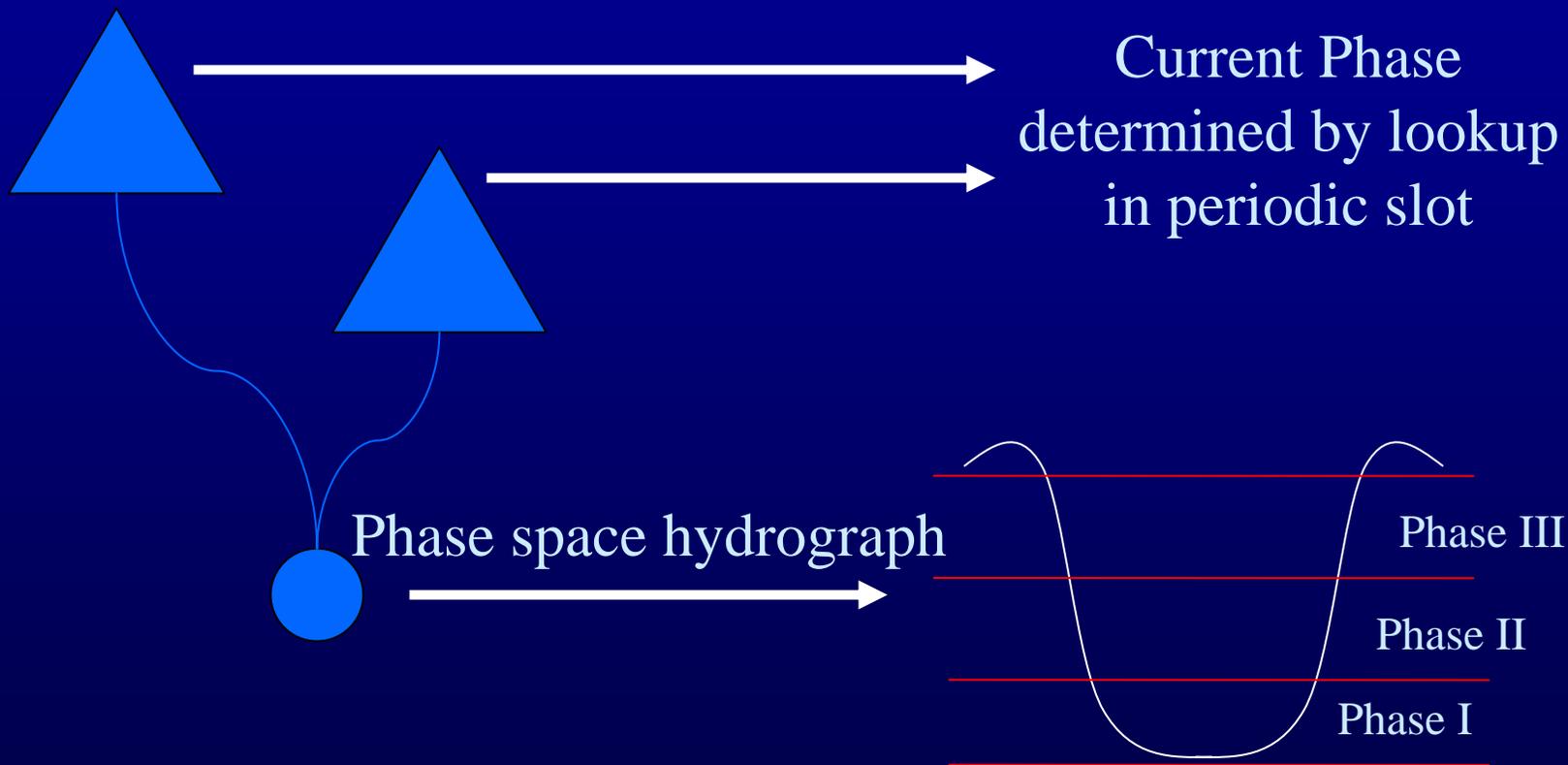
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- Reservoirs are balanced by integral phase.
- Higher phase reservoirs have higher release priority
- Releases from equal phase reservoirs are determined by a reservoir weighting factor

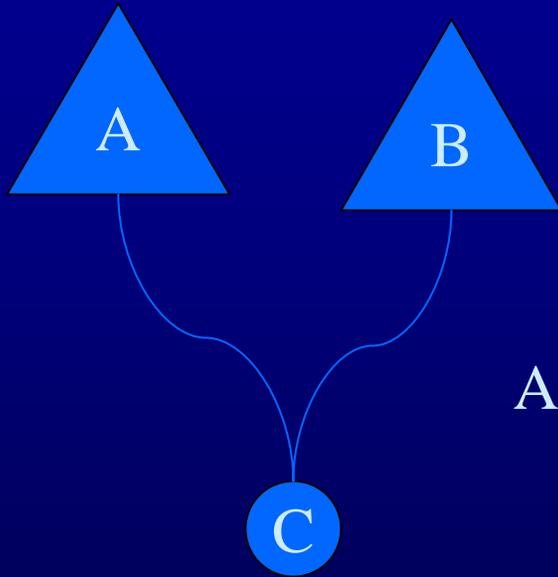
$W = \text{Coefficient} \times \text{PercentageOfOccupiedFloodPool}$

# Phase

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# Simple Case (no routing)

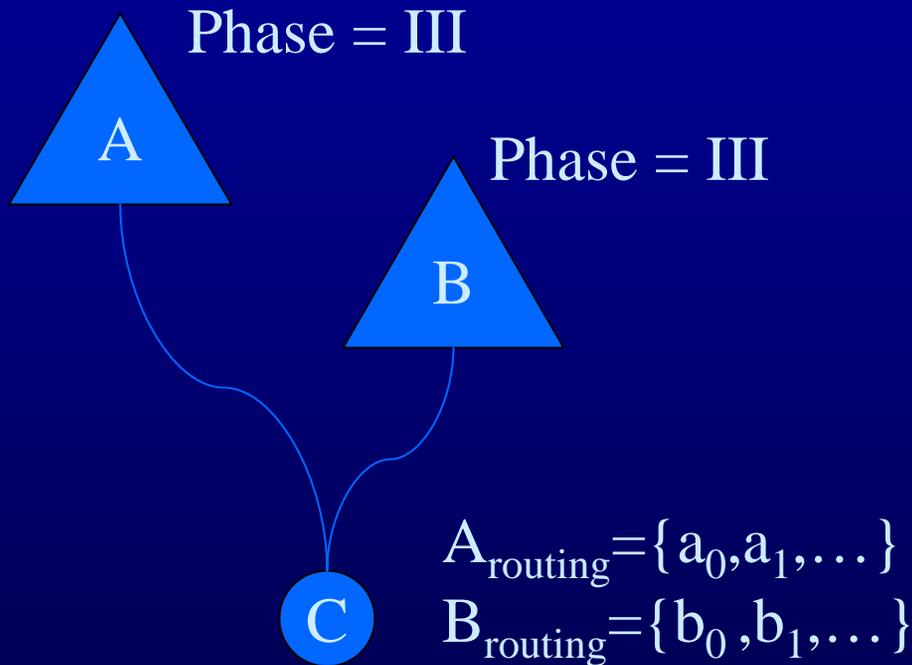


$$A_{\text{release}}(t) = \frac{A_{\text{weight}}(t-1)}{A_{\text{weight}}(t-1) + B_{\text{weight}}(t-1)} * C_{\text{phaseSpace}}$$

$$B_{\text{release}}(t) = \frac{B_{\text{weight}}(t-1)}{B_{\text{weight}}(t-1) + A_{\text{weight}}(t-1)} * C_{\text{phaseSpace}}$$

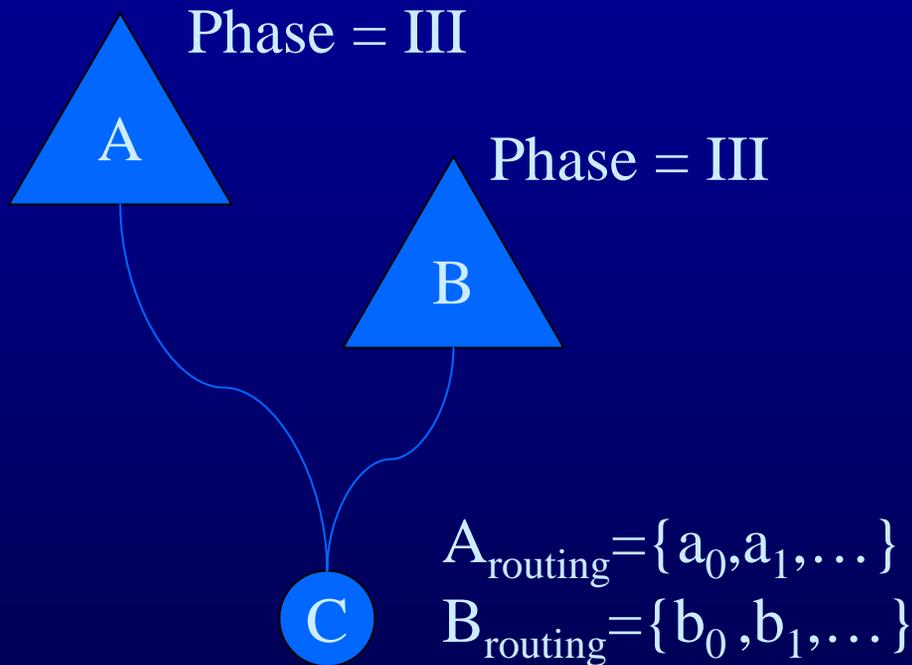
# Flood Control Release Example

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$$A_{\text{release}}(t) = \min(C_{\text{allocation}}(A, t, 0)/a_0, C_{\text{allocation}}(A, t, 1)/a_1, \dots)$$

# Flood Control Release Example (cont.)



$$C_{\text{allocation}}(A, t, 0) = \frac{A_{\text{weight}}(t-1) * a_0}{A_{\text{weight}}(t-1) * a_0 + A_{\text{weight}}(t-1) * a_1 + \dots + B_{\text{weight}}(t-1) * b_0 + B_{\text{weight}}(t-1) * b_1 + \dots} * C_{\text{phaseSpace}}(t+0)$$

# General Case with routing

$R_{weight}$  = Reservoir Weight

$R_{coefficient\ t}$  = Routing coefficient to control point

$C_{allocation}$  = Phase space allocation at control point

$C_{total}$  = Total available phase space at control point

$$C_{allocation} = \frac{R_{weight} * R_{coefficient\ t}}{\sum_{\forall \alpha, \alpha \in \text{Same Phase Reservoirs}} \left[ \alpha_{weight} * \sum_{\text{unknown releases}} \alpha_{coefficient\ t} \right]} * C_{total}$$

$$R_{release} = \min(C_{allocation} / R_{coefficient\ t}) \quad \forall C, C \in \text{control points}$$