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Fish-size-based criteria for assessing attraction flow

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Upstream fish passage: Germany

- Optimize attraction flow rate
 - "Fight for liters"
- Hydraulic tailrace models
- Develop criteria framework
 - Transparency
 - Comparability





Lauffen physical model

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Quantitative evaluation

Criteria

- 1. Existence of Migration Corridor
- 2. Velocity barriers
- 3. Corridor dimensions
- 4. Back flow @ shore
- 5. Still water @ entrance



Evaluation matrix

- 2 hydraulic scenarios
 - River flow & stage (fixed)
 - Entrance geometry (fixed)
 - Attraction flow (2 options)



- 2 different TL (total length)
 - Multi-species design (~40)

	Q_attr (m³/s)	1.0		1.7		Adjacent turbine flow:
	Q_attr (cfs)	(35.3)		(60.0)		33.3 m ³ /s (1,180 cfs)
	TL (m)	0.40	0.15	0.40	0.15	
1	Corridor existence					
2	L(barrier)					
3a	Min width					Suitable +
3b	Min heigth					Not Suitable -
4	Back flow @ shore					
5	Still water @ entrance					

Data classification



Color = swimming speed



Example application

#1: Continuous migration corridor



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- Entrance pool \rightarrow Tailrace
- > 0.2 m/s (Positive rheotaxis)



#2: Velocity barriers





- L(prolonged) L(barrier) > 10 TL
- 18.0 3.0 = 15.0 m > 4.0 m ✓
- L(prlgd) = [5 TL/s v(water)] * t
- L(prlgd) = [2.0 m/s 1.1 m/s] * 20s = 18m





#3a + b: Corridor dimensions



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- Min width > 9 W(fish)?
- 0.70 m 🕇 0.81 m

#3a: Min width		
> 9 W(Fish)	+	
9–3 W(Fish)	0	
< 3 W(Fish)	-	



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#4: Back flow @ shore

- Assumption: Orientation along structure (shore)
- "Sensory distance" ~1.5 2.0 TL (Gao et al., 2016; Goodwin et al., 2006)
- Mean back flow width < 1.5 TL</p>



#5: Still-water @ entrance

- Off-shore migrants:
 - "Hydraulic dead end"
- Still water area length < 3.0 m</p>
- 1.10 m < 3.0 m ✓



#4b: Still-water @ entrance		
< 3 m		
3–10 m		
> 10 m		



Final matrix



	Q_attr (m ³ /s)	1.0		1.7	
	Q_attr (cfs)	(35.3)		(60.0)	
	TL (m)	0.40	0.15	0.40	0.15
1	Corridor existence	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
2	L(barrier)	+	+	+	0
3a	Min width	Ο	+	Ο	+
3b	Min heigth	+	+	+	+
4	Back flow @ shore	-	-	+	+
5	Still water @ entrance	+	+	+	+
	Sum	+2			
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Expert decision (cost-benefit)

Advantages & Limitations

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- Simple
 - Requirements OK for planners
 - Omits e.g. temperature
- Transparent
 - Highlights pros & cons
 - Focus discussion
- Outlook
 - Velocity barrier
 - Specific fish investigations
 - Include knowledge

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Thank you!

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