



An Investigation of Water Compounds Behavior in Drinking Water Treatment Technology for Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Strategy: A Case Study on Surabaya

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Abstract : Surabaya has several rivers in some locations are used as the source of raw water. Ensuring the water quality for drinking usage is one of the most important parameters that the producer must aware in order to provide a good water for citizens of Surabaya. Furthermore, the entire locations use a similar type of drinking water treatment plant. This study aims to investigate the water compound behavior in the drinking treatment plant in order to describe the characteristic of the drinking water. Three parameters, namely biochemical oxygen demand (BOD), chemical oxygen demand (COD) and total suspended solids (TSS) will be measured. A structural equation modeling (SEM) technique will be used to show the correlation patterns of BOD, COD and TSS on the debit water. A technology selection that can produce a good drinking water meeting the standard qualifications set by the Surabaya's government is highly suggested as the preferred strategy.

Keywords : Surabaya, River, Water Compounds, Drinking Treatment Plant.

Introduction

Environmental issues caused by human activities are inevitable situation that every city in the world must deal with. In more specific to the river point of view, the daily activities such as home waste and industry are usually caused damages and contaminations¹⁴⁻¹⁹ to the river. A lot of approaches were conducted to maintain and to reduce the river degradation quality¹⁻⁵. In some cases, the minimum standard of pollution is set by the local government, including the standard quality of drinking water in Surabaya.

The producer of drinking water is managed by the Surabaya state enterprises, namely the Drinking Water Company (*Perusahaan Daerah Air Minum*). The company uses Surabaya's rivers as the raw material to distribute the clean drinking water to Surabaya citizens, which is approximately more than 3 million population. In more detail, 6 drinking water treatment plants have been used in plenty numbers of years to convert the water river into the drinking water. The 6 drinking water treatment plants are located in two sites, which are 3 units at Karangpilang and 3 other units at Ngagel. Previous research conducted by Razif et al.,³ tried to analyze the quality of water, namely biochemical oxygen demand (BOD), chemical oxygen demand (COD) and total suspended solids (TSS) and projecting it with system dynamics for 5 year projection. However, it is still unrevealed how the characteristic and the correlation between the measured parameters to the debit of water. The present research, therefore, will measure the characteristic of BOD, COD and TSS and its correlation to

debit water. By understanding the correlation of each parameter, a better environmental impact assessment (EIA) strategy can be performed such as selecting the proper filter and the exact best type of drinking water treatment plant.

Materials and Methods

Two qualitative data sampling were taken at two site locations near Karangpilang Dam and Ngagel Dam for every month from year 2010 to 2012³. The sampling consists of BOD, COD, TSS and debit water. The collected data were examined in the laboratory and the details are shown in Table 1.

Table 1 Sampling of wastewater compounds.

No.	BOD (mg/l)	COD (mg/l)	TSS (mg/l)	Debit (m3/s)
1	5.76	12.40	102.90	31.97
2	4.85	11.00	216.00	16.75
3	3.19	13.56	114.60	31.84
4	3.07	9.26	88.00	35.26
5	6.03	28.37	793.30	25.09
6	3.47	13.27	85.30	15.86
7	3.91	12.75	70.00	13.26
8	4.18	16.13	87.00	14.26
9	4.45	14.22	110.00	26.27
10	9.02	46.50	813.30	19.65
11	5.39	30.19	290.00	9.95
12	6.47	28.72	314.00	11.90
13	6.47	38.62	608.30	11.16
14	3.38	15.58	59.00	25.11
15	4.77	19.31	149.00	16.76
16	4.95	20.06	118.70	8.25
17	4.18	18.10	104.00	11.15
18	3.41	14.05	46.70	11.33
19	3.18	10.32	38.00	33.08
20	2.93	11.59	25.00	12.70
21	2.30	9.86	34.70	8.02
22	2.31	10.16	26.50	14.49
23	2.47	11.66	35.00	11.82
24	3.88	14.09	52.00	38.51
25	4.36	18.01	187.00	9.45
26	2.42	8.19	57.00	8.18
27	5.31	15,92	139.00	26.92
28	2.86	11.81	106.00	18.80
29	4.29	21.41	254.00	55.50
30	11.94	32.00	32.00	27.51
31	2.52	7.59	32.00	9.48
32	2.38	5.41	18.00	46.63
33	2.05	9.05	14.70	18.71
34	3.10	13.19	20.50	64.08
35	3.90	15.66	23.50	40.11
36	3.41	16.75	1000.00	35.28

Source : Razif et al (2015)³

The sampling data of water in drinking water treatment plant were evaluated by using structural equation modeling (SEM) with AMOS software. The use of SEM has been used widely by many researchers for over a decade in describing the correlation between variables⁶⁻¹³. The developed model is presented in Figure 1. The details of hypotheses are defined as follows:

- H1: BOD has a positive influence to a debit water.
- H2: COD has a positive influence to a debit water.
- H3: TSS has a positive influence to a debit water.

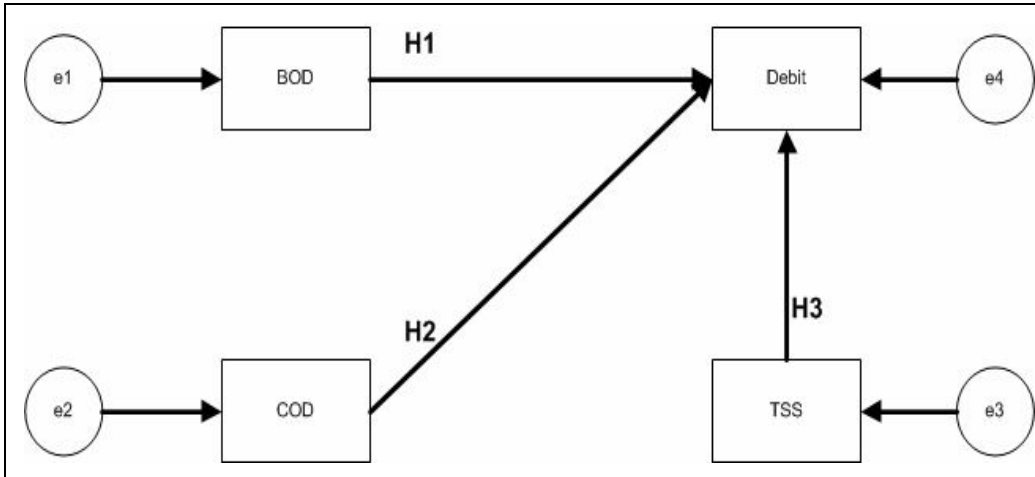


Figure 1. Structural model of drinking water parameter

Result and Discussion

The first analysis was a descriptive statistical analysis of water sampling data, where several descriptive items were shown in Table 2.

Table 2. Descriptive analysis

Variable	N	Mean	Minimum	Median	Maximum
BOD (mg/l)	36	4.24	2.05	3.89	11.94
COD (mg/l)	36	16.80	5.41	14.07	46.50
TSS (mg/l)	36	174.00	14.70	87.50	1000.00
Debit (m3/s)	36	13.98	8.02	17.73	64.08

The following analysis was a structural equation model for the model development and the result of the model is shown in Figure 2. The detail of explanation is described from Figure 3 to Figure 5.

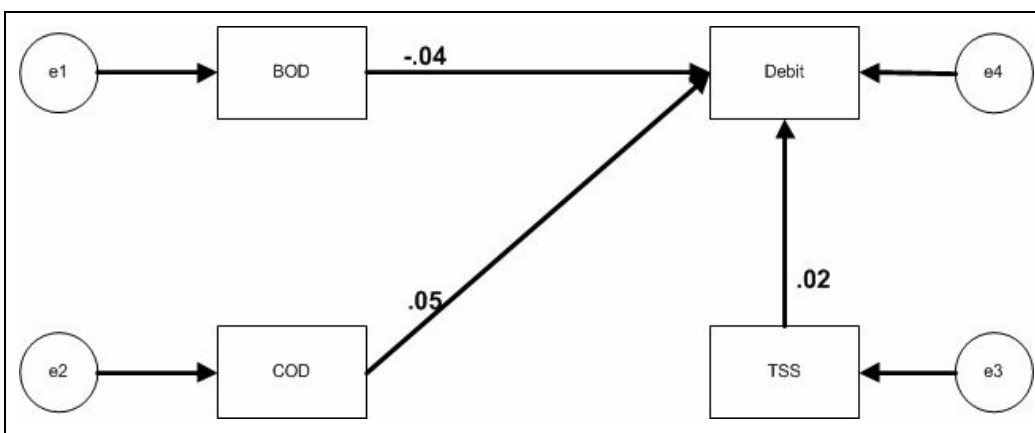


Figure 2. Structural model result of drinking water parameter

For the first correlation in Figure 3, it shows the BOD parameter has a negative value on water in drinking water treatment plant by the value of -0.04. This situation could occur when a Debit value elevated by 1, a BOD value declined by 0.04.



Figure 3. Correlation of BOD to Debit

The second correlation in Figure 4 from COD to Debit shows the positive value of 0.05. This situation indicates on every 1 point Debit addition, the COD value will added by 0.05 points.



Figure 4. Correlation of COD to Debit

The third correlation from TSS to Debit in Figure 5 shows the positive value by 0.02, which indicates in every 1 value Debit increment, the TSS value will increase by 0.02 points.

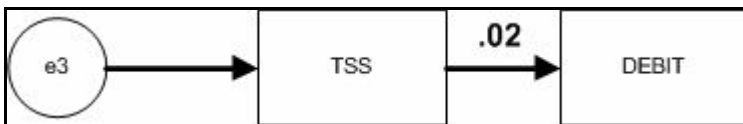


Figure 5. Correlation of TSS to Debit

The result could explain the compound behavior six parameters in drinking water treatment plant. Only one parameter shows a reverse result from the hypotheses. Hence, 2 out of 3 hypotheses were approved and the detail is shown in Table 3.

Table 3. Hypothesis result

Parameter	Correlation	Hypothesis	Note
BOD (mg/l)	-0.04	H1:Rejected	Reversed value
COD (mg/l)	0.05	H2:Accepted	-
TSS (mg/l)	0.02	H3:Accepted	-

Finally, this research describes the characteristic of BOD, COD and TSS in the drinking treatment plant. The situation of each compound, whether it increased or decreased, will have the same pattern. This can be used for EIA study to select the best filter for drinking water treatment plant technology consideration. A material selection of wastewater treatment plant that could reduce the parameter's value up to the standard quality is highly suggested.

Conclusions

The existing research targeted to investigate the compounds behavior characteristic in the water at Surabaya’s drinking water treatment plant. Three parameters, namely BOD, COD and TSS were assessed against Debit parameter. A sampling data were used from two Dams’ sites at Karangpilang and Ngagel in Surabaya city. The data was examined by structural equation modeling (SEM) and the SEM result shows the compounds behavior of BOD, COD, and TSS to a Debit water. Two out of three hypotheses were proven. The first rejected hypothesis indicates the BOD has a reverse behavior to the Debit condition. Finally, the result describes how the EIA planner and the the producer of drinking water should select the filter and the technology that could handle the compounds behavior to meet the standard qualifications. Some limitations need to be improved such as the add more data on the analysis. A technology selection that can produce a good drinking water meeting the standard quality set by the Surabaya’s government is highly suggested as the preferred strategy.

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