

Exercise 4

- Using the measurements you used for Exercise 3 develop a rating using BARC. If the machine you are using does not have BARC installed you will have to download the program and install it. BARC can be found at:

<http://wwwrcolka.cr.usgs.gov/uo/tft/blowing/barc/>

Specifically:

- If needed, use the BARC tutorial to become familiar with BARC
- Enter the three measurements from Exercise #3:
  - 6.00 feet, 10.0 cfs
  - 8.65 feet, 100 cfs
  - 29.0 feet, 2500 cfs
- Using an offset of zero enter end points for “Rating A”
- Go to the “Log-Rating Curve” page and inspect the rating
- Copy the end point information from Rating A to Rating B
- Enter a more appropriate offset for Rating B and inspect the log rating curve

Briefly explain differences between Rating A and Rating B. Which curve is more appropriate and why: **Rating Curve B with an offset of 5 is more appropriate because it produces a straight line.**

**A new rating for Station: 12345678**  
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|   |  | Copy to Rating C | Single Offset Breakpoint Ratings |          |          |
|---|--|------------------|----------------------------------|----------|----------|
|   |  | Regression       | Rating A                         | Rating B | Rating C |
| Enter the Rating Offset                   |  | 1.38             | 0.00                             | 5.00     |          |
| Enter the Low Endpoint Gage Height        |  | 6.00             | 6.00                             | 6.00     |          |
| Enter the Low Endpoint Discharge          |  | 15.15            | 10                               | 10       |          |
| Enter a Breakpoint Gage Height (Optional) |  |                  |                                  |          |          |
| Enter a Breakpoint Discharge (Optional)   |  |                  |                                  |          |          |
| Enter the High Endpoint Gage Height       |  | 29.00            | 29.00                            | 29.00    |          |
| Enter the High Endpoint Discharge         |  | 2879             | 2500                             | 2500     |          |
| Sum of the Percent Differences            |  |                  | 177.50                           | 5.46     |          |
| Percent Difference Furthest From Zero     |  |                  | 177.50                           | 5.46     |          |

  

| Measurement Data                    |        |             |           |       | Rating A | Rating B | Rating C |
|-------------------------------------|--------|-------------|-----------|-------|----------|----------|----------|
| Use                                 | Number | Gage Height | Discharge | Rated | % Diff.  | % Diff.  | % Diff.  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 1      | 6           | 10        | e     | 0.00     | 0.00     |          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 2      | 29          | 2500      | e     | 0.00     | 0.00     |          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 3      | 8.65        | 100       | e     | 177.50   | 5.46     |          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |        |             |           |       | 0.00     | 0.00     |          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |        |             |           |       | 0.00     | 0.00     |          |

