# FloPy Release Notes

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### Introduction

FloPy includes support for MODFLOW 6, MODFLOW-2005, MODFLOW-NWT, MODFLOW-USG, and MODFLOW-2000. Other supported MODFLOW-based models include MODPATH (version 6 and 7), MT3DMS, MT3D-USGS, and SEAWAT.

For general modeling issues, please consult a modeling forum, such as the MODFLOW Users Group. Other MODFLOW resources are listed in the MODFLOW Resources section.

### Contributing

Bug reports, code contributions, or improvements to the documentation are welcome from the community. Prior to contributing, please read up on our guidelines for contributing and then check out one of our issues in the hotlist: community-help.

### Documentation

FloPy code documentation is available at http://modflowpy.github.io/flopydoc/

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# Installation

To install FloPy version 3.2.12 from the USGS FloPy website:

pip install https://water.usgs.gov/ogw/flopy/flopy-3.2.12.zip

To update to FloPy version 3.2.12 from the USGS FloPy website:

pip install https://water.usgs.gov/ogw/flopy/flopy-3.2.12.zip --upgrade

# FloPy Supported Packages

## $MODFLOW\text{-}2000,\,MODFLOW\text{-}2005,\,and\,\,MODFLOW\text{-}NWT$

| Package  | Creation and Write | Load Available | Template Creation |
|--|--------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Basic (BAS6)                                   | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Block Centered Flow (BCF)                      | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Time-Variant Specified-Head (CHD)              | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Direct Solver (DE4)                            | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Discretization (DIS)                           | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Drain (DRN)                                    | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Drain Return (DRT)                             | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Evapotranspiration (EVT)                       | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Evapotranspiration Segments (ETS)              | Not supported      | Not supported  | Not supported     |
| Flow and Head Boundary (FHB)                   | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| General Head Boundary (GHB)                    | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Geometric Multi-Grid (GMG)                     | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Horizontal Flow Barrier (HFB)                  | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Hydrogeologic-Unit Flow (HUF)                  | Not supported      | Not supported  | Not supported     |
| Interbed-Storage (IBS)                         | Not supported      | Not supported  | Not supported     |
| Lake (LAK)                                     | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Layer Property Flow (LPF)                      | Supported          | Supported      | Supported         |
| Link-AMG (LMG)                                 | Not supported      | Not supported  | Not supported     |
| MODFLOW Link-MT3DMS (LMT)                      | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Multiplier (MULT)                              | Not supported      | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Multi-Node Well 1 (MNW1)                       | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Multi-Node Well 2 (MNW2)                       | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Multi-Node Well Information (MNWI)             | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Newton (NWT)                                   | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Output Control (OC)                            | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Periodic Boundary Condition (PBC)              | Supported          | Not supported  | Not supported     |
| Preconditioned Conjugate Gradient (PCG)        | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Preconditioned Conjugate Gradient              | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Nonlinear (PCGN)                               |                    |                |                   |
| Parameter Value (PVAL)                         | Not supported      | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Recharge (RCH)                                 | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| River (RIV)                                    | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Streamflow Routing (SFR2)                      | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Strongly Implicit Procedure (SIP)              | Supported          | Not supported  | Not supported     |
| Slice-successive Overrelaxation (SOR)          | Supported          | Not supported  | Not supported     |
| Stream (STR)                                   | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Seawater Intrusion (SWI2)                      | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Surface-Water Routing (SWR)                    | Not supported      | Not supported  | Not supported     |
| Subsidence (SUB)                               | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Subsidence and Aquifer-System Compaction (SWT) | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Upstream Weighted (UPW)                        | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |

| Package  | Creation and Write | Load Available | Template Creation |
|--|--------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Unsaturated Zone Flow (UZF) Well (WEL) Zone (ZONE) | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
|  | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
|  | Not supported      | Supported      | Not supported     |

# MODFLOW-USG

| Package                            | Creation and Write | Load Available | Template Creation |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Unstructured Discretization (DISU) | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Sparse Matrix Solver (SMS)         | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |

## MODPATH 6

| Package                    | Creation and Write | Load Available | Template Creation |
|----------------------------|--------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| MODPATH Basic (MPBAS)      | Supported          |                | Not supported     |
| MODPATH Simulation (MPSIM) | Supported          |                | Not supported     |

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| Package                                | Creation and Write | Load Available | Template Creation |
|--|--------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| MODPATH Basic (MPBAS)                  | Supported          | Not supported  | Not supported     |
| MODPATH Simulation (MPSIM)             | Supported          | Not supported  | Not supported     |
| Starting Location Data - Input Style 1 | Supported          | Not supported  | Not supported     |
| Starting Location Data - Input Style 2 | Supported          | Not supported  | Not supported     |
| Starting Location Data - Input Style 3 | Supported          | Not supported  | Not supported     |
| Starting Location Data - Input Style 4 | Not supported      | Not supported  | Not supported     |

## MT3DMS, MT3D-USGS

| Package                              | Creation and Write | Load Available | Template Creation |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Advection (ADV)                      | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Basic Transport (BTN)                | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Dispersion (DSP)                     | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Generalized Conjugate Gradient (GCG) | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Lake (LKT)                           | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| PHT3D-PHREEQC Interface (PHC)        | Supported          | Not supported  | Not supported     |
| Streamflow (SFT)                     | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Reaction (RCT)                       | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Sink and Source Mixing (SSM)         | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Transport Observation (TOB)          | Supported          | Not supported  | Not supported     |
| Unsaturated-zone (UZT)               | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |

## **SEAWAT**

| Package                     | Creation and Write | Load Available | Template Creation |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Variable Density Flow (VDF) | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |

| Package         | Creation and Write | Load Available | Template Creation |
|-----------------|--------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Viscosity (VSC) | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |

# MODFLOW-2000, MODFLOW-2005, and MODFLOW-NWT Observations

| Package                                | Creation and Write | Load Available | Template Creation |
|--|--------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Drain Observation (DROB)               | Not supported      | Not supported  | Not supported     |
| HYDMOD (HYD)                           | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| Gage (GAGE)                            | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| General Head Boundary Observation      | Supported          | Not supported  | Not supported     |
| (GBOB)                                 |                    |                |                   |
| Head Observation (HOB)                 | Supported          | Supported      | Not supported     |
| River Observation (RVOB)               | Supported          | Not supported  | Not supported     |
| Stream Observation (STOB)              | Supported          | Not supported  | Not supported     |
| Specified-Head Flow Observation (CHOB) | Supported          | Not supported  | Not supported     |

# MODFLOW 6

| Package                                   | Creation and Write | Load Available |
|---|--------------------|----------------|
| Temporal Discretization (TDIS6)           | Supported          | Supported      |
| Structured Discretization (DIS6)          | Supported          | Supported      |
| Discretization with Vertices (DISV6)      | Supported          | Supported      |
| Unstructured Discretization (DISU6)       | Supported          | Supported      |
| Initial Conditions (IC6)                  | Supported          | Supported      |
| Output Control (OC6)                      | Supported          | Supported      |
| Groundwater Flow Observations (OBS6)      | Supported          | Supported      |
| Node Property Flow (NPF6)                 | Supported          | Supported      |
| Horizontal Flow Barrier (HFB6)            | Supported          | Supported      |
| Storage (STO6)                            | Supported          | Supported      |
| Constant-Head (CHD6)                      | Supported          | Supported      |
| Constant-Head Observations (OBS6)         | Supported          | Supported      |
| Well (WEL6)                               | Supported          | Supported      |
| Well Observations (OBS6)                  | Supported          | Supported      |
| Drain (DRN6)                              | Supported          | Supported      |
| Drain Observations (OBS6)                 | Supported          | Supported      |
| River (RIV6)                              | Supported          | Supported      |
| River Observations (OBS6)                 | Supported          | Supported      |
| General-Head-Boundary (GHB6)              | Supported          | Supported      |
| General-Head-Boundary Observations (OBS6) | Supported          | Supported      |
| Recharge (RCH6) - List-Based              | Supported          | Supported      |
| Recharge (RCH6) - Array-Based             | Supported          | Supported      |
| Recharge Observations (OBS6)              | Supported          | Supported      |
| Evapotranspiration (EVT6) - List-Based    | Supported          | Supported      |
| Evapotranspiration (EVT6) - Array-Based   | Supported          | Supported      |
| Evapotranspiration Observations (OBS6)    | Supported          | Supported      |
| Multi-Aquifer Well (MAW6)                 | Supported          | Supported      |
| Multi-Aquifer Well Observations (OBS6)    | Supported          | Supported      |
| Streamflow Routing (SFR6)                 | Supported          | Supported      |
| Streamflow Routing Observations (OBS6)    | Supported          | Supported      |
| Lake Package (LAK6)                       | Supported          | Supported      |
| Lake Table Input                          | Supported          | Supported      |
| Lake Observations (OBS6)                  | Supported          | Supported      |
| Unsaturated Zone Flow (UZF6)              | Supported          | Supported      |

| Package                                   | Creation and Write | Load Available |
|---|--------------------|----------------|
| Unsaturated Zone Flow Observations (OBS6) | Supported          | Supported      |
| Water Mover (MVR6)                        | Supported          | Supported      |
| Ghost-Node Correction (GNC6)              | Supported          | Supported      |
| Groundwater Flow Exchange (GWF-GWF)       | Supported          | Supported      |
| Iterative Model Solution (IMS6)           | Supported          | Supported      |
| Timeseries File (TS6)                     | Supported          | Supported      |

# FloPy Model Checks

# List of available FloPy model checks

| Package         | Check   | Implemented   | Type    |
|-----------------|---|---------------|---------|
| NAM             | unit number conflicts   | Supported     | Error   |
| NAM             | compatible solver package                                       | Supported     | Error   |
| NAM             | minimum packages<br>needed to run the<br>model                  | Not supported | Error   |
| all BC packages | overlapping boundary conditions                                 | Not supported | Error   |
| all BC packages | NaN values in stress_period_data                                | Supported     | Error   |
| all BC packages | valid indices for<br>stress_period_data                         | Supported     | Error   |
| LPF/UPW         | hk or vka $\leq 0$  | Supported     | Error   |
| LPF/UPW         | hani < 0  | Supported     | Error   |
| LPF/UPW         | vkcb (quasi-3D kv<br>values) <=0                                | Supported     | Error   |
| LPF/UPW         | unusually high or low<br>values in hk and vka<br>arrays         | Supported     | Warning |
| LPF/UPW         | unusually high or low<br>values in vkcb<br>(quasi-3D kv values) | Supported     | Warning |
| LPF/UPW         | storage values <=0 (transient only)                             | Supported     | Error   |
| LPF/UPW         | unusual values of<br>storage (transient only)                   | Supported     | Error   |
| RIV/SFR/STR     | check for surface water<br>BCs in confined layers               | Not supported | Warning |
| BAS             | isolated cells  | Supported     | Warning |
| BAS             | NaN values  | Supported     | Error   |
| DIS             | cell thicknesses $\leq 0$                                       | Supported     | Error   |
| DIS             | cell thicknesses < thin_cell_threshold (default 1.0)            | Supported     | Warning |
| DIS             | NaN values in top and bottom arrays                             | Supported     | Error   |
| DIS             | discretization that violates the 1.5 rule                       | Not supported | Warning |
| DIS             | large changes in elevation                                      | Not supported | Warning |
| DISU            | large changes in elevation                                      | Not supported | Warning |

| Package    | Check                                 | Implemented   | Type    |
|------------|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------|
| DISU       | cell thicknesses $\leq 0$             | Not supported | Error   |
| DISU       | $\operatorname{cell}$ thicknesses $<$ | Not supported | Warning |
|            | $thin\_cell\_threshold$               |               |         |
|            | (default 1.0)                         |               |         |
| DISU       | NaN values in top and                 | Not supported | Error   |
|            | bottom arrays                         |               |         |
| DISU       | discretization that                   | Not supported | Warning |
|            | violates the 1.5 rule                 |               |         |
| DISU       | large changes in                      | Not supported | Warning |
|            | elevation                             |               |         |
| MNW2       | ITMP >= 0 for first                   | Supported     | Error   |
|            | stress period                         |               |         |
| MNW2       | ITMP > MNWMAX                         | Supported     | Error   |
| MNWI       | MNWI present without                  | Supported     | Warning |
|            | MNW2 package                          |               |         |
| RCH        | unusually high or low                 | Supported     | Warning |
|            | R/T ratios                            |               |         |
| RCH        | NRCHOP not specified                  | Supported     | Warning |
|            | as 3                                  |               |         |
| SFR        | continuity in segment                 | Supported     | Error   |
|            | and reach numbering                   |               |         |
| SFR        | segment number                        | Supported     | Warning |
|            | decreases in                          |               |         |
|            | downstream direction                  |               |         |
| SFR        | circular routing                      | Supported     | Error   |
| SFR        | multiple non-zero                     | Supported     | Warning |
|            | conductances in a                     |               |         |
|            | model cell                            |               |         |
| SFR        | elevation increases in                | Supported     | Error   |
|            | the downstream                        |               |         |
|            | direction                             |               |         |
| SFR        | streambed elevations                  | Supported     | Warning |
|            | above model top                       |               |         |
| SFR        | streambed elevations                  | Supported     | Error   |
|            | below cell bottom                     |               |         |
| SFR        | negative stream depth                 | Not supported | Error   |
|            | when icalc=0                          |               |         |
| SFR        | slopes above or below                 | Supported     | Warning |
|            | specified threshold                   |               |         |
| SFR        | unusual values for                    | Not supported | Warning |
|            | manning's roughness                   |               |         |
|            | and unit constant                     |               |         |
| SFR        | gaps in segment and                   | Not supported | Warning |
|            | reach routing                         |               |         |
| SFR        | outlets in interior of                | Not supported | Warning |
|            | model domain                          |               |         |
| WEL        | PHIRAMP is $< 1$ and                  | Not supported | Warning |
|            | should be close to                    |               |         |
|            | recommended value of                  |               |         |
| 3 5D 673 5 | 0.001                                 |               |         |
| MPSIM      | invalid stop times                    | Supported     |         |

# Visualizations

| Package | Check                                | Implemented   | Type        |
|---------|--------------------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| All     | Shapefile with detected errors       | Not supported | Information |
| All     | Shapefile with detected warnings     | Not supported | Information |
| SFR/STR | Segment Connectivity                 | Not supported | Information |
| SFR/STR | Identification of diversions         | Not supported | Information |
| SFR/STR | Identification of outlet tributaries | Not supported | Information |

### Additional model checks and visualizations

Please submit additional proposed model checks as issues on the FloPy development branch on github.

### FloPy Changes

- Added a check method for OC package (#558)
- Change default map projection from EPSG:4326 to None (#535)
- Refactor warning message visibility and categories (#554, #575)
- Support for MODFLOW 6 external binary files added. Flopy can read/write binary files containing list and array data (#470, #553).
- Added silent option for MODFLOW 6 write\_simulation (#552)
- Refactored MODFLOW-6 data classes. File writing operations moved from mfdata\*.py to new classes created in mffileaccess.py. Data storage classes moved from mfdata.py to mfdatastorage.py. MFArray, MFList, and MFScalar interface classes simplified with most of the data processing code moved to mfdatastorage.py and mffileaccess.py.
- Added MODFLOW 6 quickstart example to front page.
- Added lgrutil test as autotest/t063\_test\_lgrutil.py and implemented a get\_replicated\_parent\_array() method to the Lgr class so that the user can pass in a parent array and get back an array that is the size of the child model.
- Refactored much of the flopy code style to conform with Python conventions and those checked by Codacy. Added an automated Codacy check as part of the pull request and commit checks.
- Bug fixes:
  - Fixed bug in Mt3dms.load to show correct error message when loading non-existent NAM file (#545)
  - Removed errant SFT parameter contained in Mt3dUzt.\_\_\_init\_\_\_ routine (#572)
  - Fixed DISV shapefile export bug that applied layer 1 parameter values to all model layers during export (#508)
  - Updated ModflowSfr2.load to store channel\_geometry and channel\_flow\_data (6d, 6e) by nseg instead of itmp position (#546)
  - Fixed bug in ModflowMnw2.make\_node\_data to be able to set multiple wells with different numbers of nodes (#556)
  - Fixed bug reading MODFLOW 6 comma separated files (#509)
  - Fixed bug constructing a grid class with MODFLOW-USG (#513)
  - Optimized performance of grid class by minimizing redundant operations through use of data result caching (#520)
  - Fixed bug passing multiple auxiliary variables for MODFLOW 6 array data (#533)
  - Fixed bug in Mt3dUzt. init ; the variable ioutobs doesn't exist in the UZT package and was removed.
  - Fixed MODFLOW-LGR bug in which ascii files were not able to be created for some output. Added better testing of the MODFLOW-LGR capabilities to t035\_test.py.

- Fixed multiple issues in mfdis that resulted in incorrect row column determination when using the method get\_rc\_from\_node\_coordinates (#560). Added better testing of this to t007\_test.py.
- Fixed the export\_array\_contours function as contours would not export in some cases (#577). Added tests of export\_array\_contours and export\_array to t007\_test.py as these methods were not tested at all.

- Added support for the drain return package.
- Added support for pyshp version 2.x, which contains a different call signature for the writer than earlier versions.
- Added a new flopy3\_MT3DMS\_examples notebook, which uses Flopy to reproduce the example problems described in the MT3DMS documentation report by Zheng and Wang (1999).
- Pylint is now used on Travis for the Python 3.5 distribution to check for coding errors.
- Added testing with Python 3.7 on Travis, dropped testing Python 3.4.
- Added a new htop argument to the vtk writer, which allows cell tops to be defined by the simulated head.
- Generalized exporting and plotting to also work with MODFLOW 6. Added a new grid class and deprecated SpatialReference class. Added new plotting interfaces, PlotMapView and PlotCrossSection. Began deprecation of ModelMap and ModelCrossSection classes.
- Spatial reference system cache moved to epsgref.json in the user's data directory.
- Attempts to read empty files from flopy.utils raise a IOError exception.
- Changed interface for creating and accessing MODFLOW 6 observation, time series, and time array series packages. These packages can now be created and accessed directly from the package that references them. These changes are not backward compatible, and will require existing scripts to be modified. See the flopy3\_mf6\_obs\_ts\_tas.ipynb notebook for instructions.
- Changed the MODFLOW 6 fname argument to be filename. This change is not backward compatible, and will require existing scripts to be modified if the fname argument was used in the package constructor.
- Added modflow-nwt options support for ModflowWel, ModflowSfr2, and ModflowUzf1 via the OptionBlock class.
- Bug fixes:
  - Removed variable MXUZCON from mtuzt.py that was present during the development of MT3D-USGS, but was not included in the release version of MT3D-USGS.
  - Now account for UZT -> UZT2 changes with the release of MT3D-USGS 1.0.1. Use of UZT is no longer supported.
  - Fixed bug in mfuzf1.py when reading and writing surfk when specifysurfk = True.
  - Fixed bug in ModflowStr.load(), utility would fail to load when comments were present.
  - Fixed bug in MNW2 in which nodes were not sorted correctly.
  - Ensure that external 1-D free arrays are written on one line.
  - Typos corrected for various functions, keyword arguments, property names, input file options, and documentation.
  - Fixed bug in Mt3dUzt.\_\_init\_\_ that originated when copying code from mtsft.py to get started on mtuzt.py class. The variable ioutobs doesn't exist in the UZT package and should never have appeared in the package to begin with.

- Added parameter\_load variable to mbase that is set to true if parameter data are applied in the model (only used in models that support parameters). If this is set to True free\_format\_input is set to True (if currently False) when the write\_input() method is called. This change preserves the precision of parameter data (which is free format data).
- MODFLOW 6 model and simulation packages can not be retrieved as a MFSimulation attribute

- Added support for multicomponent load in mfsft.py
- Added functionality to read esri-style epsg codes from spatialreference.org.
- Added functionality to MODFLOW 6 that will automatically replace the existing package with the one being added if it has the same name as the existing package.
- Added separate MODFLOW 6 model classes for each model type. Model classes contain name file options.
- Added standard run\_model() method arguments to mf6 run\_simulation() method.
- some performance improvements to checking
- SpatialReference.export\_array() now writes 3-D numpy arrays to multiband GeoTiffs
- Add load support to for MNW1; ModflowMnw1 now uses a stress\_period\_data Mflist to store MNW information, similar to other BC packages.
- Added a Triangle class that is a light wrapper for the Triangle program for generating triangular meshes. Added a notebook called flopy3\_triangle.ipynb that demonstrates how to use it and build a MODFLOW 6 model with a triangular mesh. The current version of this Triangle class should be considered beta functionality as it is likely to change.
- Added support for MODPATH 7 (beta).
- Added support for MODPATH 3 and 5 pathline and endpoint output files.
- Added support for MODPATH timeseries output files (flopy.utils.TimeseriesFile()).
- Added support for plotting MODPATH timeseries output data (plot\_timeseries()) with ModelMap.
- Bug fixes:
  - Fixed issue in HOB when the same layer is specified in the MLAY data (dataset 4). If the layer exists the previous fraction value is added to the current value.
  - Fixed bug in segment renumbering
  - Changed default value for ioutobs \*\*kwargs in mtsft.py from None to 0 to prevent failure.
  - Fixed bug when passing extra components info from load to constructor in mtsft.py and mtrct.py.
  - Fixed bug in mt3ddsp load if multidiffusion is not found, should only read one 3d array.
  - Fixed bug in **zonbud** utility that wasn't accumulating flow from constant heads.
  - Fixed minor bug that precluded the passing of mass-balance record names (TOTAL\_IN, IN-OUT, etc.).
  - Fixed bug when writing shapefile projection (.prj) files using relative paths.
  - Fixed bugs in sfr.load() weight and flwtol should be cast as floats, not integers.
  - Fixed bug when SpatialReference supplied with geographic CRS.
  - Fixed bug in mfsfr.py when writing kinematic data (irtflg >0).
  - Fixed issue from change in MODFLOW 6 inspect.getargspec() method (for getting method arguments).
  - Fixed MODFLOW 6 BINARY keyword for reading binary data from a file using OPEN/CLOSE (needs parentheses around it).
  - Fixed bug in mtlkt.py when initiating, loading, and/or writing lkt input file related to multi-species problems.

- Modified MODFLOW 5 OC stress\_period\_data=None default behaviour. If MODFLOW 5 OC stress\_period\_data is not provided then binary head output is saved for the last time step of each stress period.
- added multiple component support to mt3dusgs SFT module
- Optimized loading and saving of MODFLOW 6 files
- MODFLOW 6 identifiers are now zero based
- Added remove\_package method in MFS imulation and MFModel that removes MODFLOW 6 packages from the existing simulation/model

- Changed some of the input argument names for MODFLOW 6 classes. Note that this will break some existing user scripts. For example, the stress period information was passed to the boundary package classes using the periodrecarray argument. The argument is now called stress\_period\_data in order to be consistent with other Flopy functionality.
- Flopy code for MODFLOW 6 generalized to support different model types
- Flopy code for some MODFLOW 6 arguments now have default values in order to be consistent with other Flopy functionality
- Added ModflowSfr2.export\_transient\_variable method to export shapefiles of segment data variables, with stress period data as attributes
- Added support for UZF package gages
- Bug fixes:
  - Fixed issue with default settings for MODFLOW 5 SUB package dp dataset.
  - Fixed issue if an external BC list file has only one entry
  - Some patching for recarray issues with latest numpy release (there are more of these lurking...)
  - Fixed setting model relative path for MODFLOW 6 simulations
  - Python 2.7 compatibility issues fixed for MODFLOW 6 simulations
  - IMS file name conflicts now automatically resolved
  - Fixed issue with passing in numpy ndarrays arrays as layered data
  - Doc string formatting for MODFLOW 6 packages fixed to make doc strings easier to read
  - UZF package: fixed issues with handling of finf, pet, extdp and extwc arrays.
  - SFR package: fixed issue with reading stress period data where not all segments are listed for periods > 0.
  - SpatialReference.write\_gridSpec was not converting the model origin coordinates to model length units.
  - shorted integer field lengths written to shapefiles to 18 characters; some readers may misinterpret longer field lengths as float dtypes.

- Added has\_package(name) method to see if a package exists. This feature goes nicely with get\_package(name) method.
- Added set\_model\_units() method to change model units for all files created by a model. This method can be useful when creating MODFLOW-LGR models from scratch.
- Added SFR2 package functionality
  - export\_inlets method to write shapefile showing locations where external flows are entering the stream network.
- Bug fixes:
  - Installation: Added dfn files required by MODFLOW 6 functionality to MANIFEST.in so that they are included in the distribution.
  - SFR2 package: Fixed issue reading transient data when ISFOPT is 4 or 5 for the first stress period.

- Added beta support for MODFLOW 6 See here for more information.
- Added support for retrieving time series from binary cell-by-cell files. Cell-by-cell time series are accessed in the same way they are accessed for heads and concentrations but a text string is required.
- Added support for FORTRAN free format array data using n\*value where n is the number of times value is repeated.
- Added support for comma separators in 1D data in LPF and UPF files
- Added support for comma separators on non array data lines in DIS, BCF, LPF, UPW, HFB, and RCH Packages.
- Added .reset\_budgetunit() method to OC package to facilitate saving cell-by-cell binary output to a single file for all packages that can save cell-by-cell output.

- Added a .get\_residual() method to the CellBudgetFile class.
- Added support for binary stress period files (OPEN/CLOSE filename (BINARY)) in wel stress packages on load and instantiation. Will extend to other list-based MODFLOW stress packages.
- Added a new flopy.utils.HeadUFile Class (located in binaryfile.py) for reading unstructured head files from MODFLOW-USG. The .get\_data() method for this class returns a list of one-dimensional head arrays for each layer.
- Added metadata.acdd class to fetch model metadata from ScienceBase.gov and manage CF/ACDD-complaint metadata for NetCDF export
- Added sparse export option for boundary condition stress period data, where only cells for that B.C. are exported (for example, package.stress\_period\_data.export('stuff.shp', sparse=True))
- Added additional SFR2 package functionality:
  - .export\_linkages() and .export\_outlets() methods to export routing linkages and outlets
  - sparse shapefile export, where only cells with SFR reaches are included
  - .plot\_path() method to plot streambed elevation profile along sequence of segments
  - .assign\_layers() method
  - additional error checks and bug fixes
- Added SpatialReference / GIS export functionality:
  - GeoTiff export option to SpatialReference.export\_array
  - SpatialReference.export\_array\_contours: contours an array and then exports contours to shapefile
  - inverse option added to SpatialReference.transform
  - automatic reading of spatial reference info from .nam or usgs.model.reference files
- Modified node numbers in SFR package and ModflowDis.get\_node() from one- to zero-based.
- Modified HYDMOD package klay variable from one- to zero-based.
- Added .get\_layer() method to DIS package.
- Added .get\_saturated\_thickness() and .get\_gradients() methods
- Bug fixes:
  - OC package: Fixed bug when printing and saving data for select stress periods and timesteps. In previous versions, OC data was repeated until respecified.
  - SUB package: Fixed bug if data set 15 is passed to preserved unit numbers (i.e., use unit numbers passed on load).
  - SUB and SUB-WT packages: Fixed bugs .load() to pop original unit number.
  - BTN package: Fixed bug in obs.
  - LPF package: Fixed bug regarding when HANI is read and written.
  - UZF package: added support for MODFLOW NWT options block; fixed issue with loading files with thti/thtr options
  - SFR package: fixed bug with segment renumbering, issues with reading transient text file output,
  - Fixed issues with dynamic setting of SpatialReference parameters
  - NWT package: for give missing value for MXITERXMD
  - MNW2 package: fix bug where ztop and zbotm were written incorrectly in get\_allnode\_data(). This was not affecting writing of these variables, only their values in this summary array.
  - PCGN package: fixed bug writing package.
  - Fixed issue in Util2d when non-integer cnstnt passed.

- Added functionality to read binary grd file for unstructured grids.
- Additions to SpatialReference class:
  - xll, yll input option
  - transform method to convert model coordinates to real-world coordinates
  - epsg and length\_multiplier arguments
- Export:
  - Added writing of prj files to shapefile export; prj information can be passed through spatial reference class, or given as an EPSG code or existing prj file path
  - Added NetCDF export to MNW2
- Added MODFLOW support for:

- FHB Package no support for flow or head auxiliary variables (datasets 2, 3, 6, and 8)
- HOB Package
- New utilities:
  - flopy.utils.get\_transmissivities() Computes transmissivity in each model layer at specified locations and open intervals. A saturated thickness is determined for each row, column or x, y location supplied, based on the well open interval (sctop, scbot), if supplied, otherwise the layer tops and bottoms and the water table are used.
- Added MODFLOW-LGR support no support for model name files in different directories than the directory
  with the lgr control file.
- Additions to MODPATH:
  - shapefile export of MODPATH Pathline and Endpoint data
  - Modpath.create mpsim() supports MNW2
  - creation of MODPATH StartingLocations files
  - Easy subsetting of endpoint and pathline results to destination cells of interest
- New ZoneBudget class provides ZONEBUDGET functionality:
  - reads a CellBudgetFile and accumulates flows by zone
  - pass kstpkper or totim keyword arguments to retrieve a subset of available times in the CellBudgetFile
  - includes a method to write the budget recarrays to a .csv file
  - ZoneBudget objects support numerical operators to facilitate conversion of units
  - utilities are included which read/write ZONEBUDGET-style zone files to and from numpy arrays
  - pass a dictionary of {zone: "alias"} to rename fields to more descriptive names (e.g. {1: 'New York', 2: 'Delmarva'}
- Added new precision='auto' option to flopy.utils.binaryfile for HeadFile and UcnFile readers. This will automatically try and determine the float precision for head files created by single and double precision versions of MODFLOW. 'auto' is now the default. Not implemented yet for cell by cell flow file.
- Modified MT3D-related packages to also support MT3D-USGS
  - BTN will support the use of keywords (e.g., 'MODFLOWStyleArrays', etc.) on the first line
  - DSP will support the use of keyword NOCROSS
  - Keyword FREE now added to MT3D name file when the flow-transport link (FTL) file is formatted. Previously defaulted to unformatted only.
- Added 3 new packages:
  - SFT: Streamflow Transport, companion transport package for use with the SFR2 package in MODFLOW
  - LKT: Lake Transport, companion transport package for use with the LAK3 package in MODFLOW
  - UZT: Unsaturated-zone Transport, companion transport package for use with the UZF1 package in MODFLOW
- Modified LMT
  - load() functionality will now support optional PACKAGE FLOWS line (last line of LMT input)
  - write file() will will now insert PACKAGE FLOWS line based on user input
- Bug fixes:
  - Fixed bug in parsenamefile when file path in namefile is surrounded with quotes.
  - Fixed bug in check routine when THICKSTRT is specified as an option in the LPF and UPW packages.
  - Fixed bug in BinaryHeader.set values method that prevented setting of entries based on passed kwargs.
  - Fixed bugs in reading and writing SEAWAT Viscosity package.
  - The DENSE and VISC arrays are now Transient3d objects, so they may change by stress period.
  - MNW2: fixed bug with k, i, j node input option and issues with loading at model level
  - Fixed bug in ModflowDis.get\_cell\_volumes().

- Added support for LAK and GAGE packages full load and write functionality supported.
- Added support for MNW2 package. Load and write of .mnw2 package files supported. Support for .mnwi, or the results files (.qsu, .byn) not yet implemented.
- Improved support for changing the output format of arrays and variables written to MODFLOW input files.
- Restructured SEAWAT support so that packages can be added directly to the SEAWAT model, in addition to

the approach of adding a modflow model and a mt3d model. Can now load a SEAWAT model.

- Added load support for MT3DMS Reactions package
- Added multi-species support for MT3DMS Reactions package
- Added static method to Mt3dms().load\_mas that reads an MT3D mass file and returns a recarray
- Added static method to Mt3dms().load\_obs that reads an MT3D mass file and returns a recarray
- Added method to flopy.modpath.Modpath to create modpath simulation file from modflow model instance boundary conditions. Also added examples of creating modpath files and post-processing modpath pathline and endpoint files to the flopy3 MapExample notebook.
- Bug fixes:
  - Fixed issue with VK parameters for LPF and UPW packages.
  - Fixed issue with MT3D ADV load in cases where empty fields were present in the first line of the file.
  - Fixed cross-section array plotting issues.
  - BTN observation locations must now be entered in zero-based indices (a 1 is now added to the index values written to btn file)
  - Uploaded supporting files for SFR example notebook; fixed issue with segment\_data submitted as array (instead of dict) and as 0d array(s).
  - Fixed CHD Package so that it now supports options, and therefore, auxiliary variables can be specified.
  - Fixed loading BTN save times when numbers are touching.

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- Added basic model checking functionality (.check()).
- Added support for reading SWR Process observation, stage, budget, flow, reach-aquifer exchanges, and structure flows.
- flopy.utils.HydmodObs returns a numpy recarray. Previously numpy arrays were returned except when the slurp() method was used. The slurp method has been deprecated but the same functionality is available using the get\_data() method. The recarray returned from the get\_data() method includes the totim value and one or all of the observations (HYDLBL).
- Added support for MODFLOW-USG DISU package for unstructured grids.
- Added class (Gridgen) for creating layered quadtree grids using GRIDGEN (flopy.utils.gridgen). See the flopy3\_gridgen notebook for an example of how to use the Gridgen class.
- Added user-specified control on use of OPEN/CLOSE array options (see flopy3\_external\_file\_handling notebook).
- Added user-specified control for array output formats (see flopy3\_array\_outputformat\_options IPython notebook).
- Added shapefile as optional output format to .export() method and deprecated .to\_shapefile() method.
- Bug fixes:
  - Fixed issue with right justified format statement for array control record for MT3DMS.
  - Fixed bug writing PHIRAMP for MODFLOW-NWT well files.
  - Fixed bugs in NETCDF export methods.
  - Fixed bugs in LMT and BTN classes.

- Added template creation support for several packages for used with PEST (and UCODE).
- Added support for the SEAWAT viscosity (VSC) package.
- Added support for the MODFLOW Stream (STR), Streamflow-Routing (SFR2), Subsidence (SUB), and Subsidence and Aquifer-System Compaction Package for Water-Table Aquifers (SWT) Packages.

- Mt3d model was redesigned based on recent changes to the Modflow model. Mt3d packages rewritten to support multi-species. Primary packages can be loaded (btn, adv, dsp, ssm, gcg). Array utilities modified to read some MT3D RARRAY formats.
- Fixed array loading functionality for case when the CNSTNT value is zero. If CNSTNT is zero and is used as an array multiplier, it is changed to 1 (as done in MODFLOW).
- Added support for the MODFLOW HYDMOD (HYD) Package and reading binary files created by the HYDMOD Package (HydmodObs Class) in the flopy.utils submodule.
- flopy.utils.CellBudgetFile returns a numpy recarray for list based budget data. Previously a dictionary with the node number and q were returned. The recarray will return the node number, q, and the aux variables for list based budget data.
- Added travis-ci automated testing.

- FloPy now supports some simple plotting capabilities for two- and three-dimensional model input data array classes and transient two-dimensional stress period input data using the .plot() methods associated with the data array classes (util\_2d, util\_3d, and transient\_2d). The model results reader classes (HeadFile, UcnFile, and CellBudgetFile) have also been extended to include a .plot() method that can be used to create simple plots of model output data. See the notebook flopy3\_PlotArrayExample.
- Added .to\_shapefile() method to two- and three-dimensional model input data array classes (util\_2d and util\_3d), transient two-dimensional stress period input data classes (transient\_2d), and model output data classes (HeadFile, UcnFile, and CellBudgetFile) that allows model data to be exported as polygon shapefiles with separate attribute columns for each model layer.
- Added support for ASCII model results files.
- Added support for reading MODPATH version 6 pathline and endpoint output files and plotting MODPATH results using mapping capabilities in flopy.plot submodule.
- Added load() method for MODFLOW GMG solver.
- Bug fixes:
  - Multiplier in array control record was not being applied to arrays
  - vani parameter was not supported

### Version 3.2.1

- FloPy can now be used with **Python 3.x**
- Revised setters for package class variables stored using the util\_2d or util\_3d classes.
- Added option to load a subset of MODFLOW packages in a MODFLOW model name file using load\_only= keyword.

- FloPy now supports some simple mapping and cross-section capabilities through the flopy.plot submodule. See the notebook flopy3\_MapExample.
- Full support for all Output Control (OC) options including DDREFERENCE, SAVE IBOUND, and layer lists. All Output Control Input is specified using words. Output Control Input using numeric codes is still available in the ModflowOc88 class. The ModflowOc88 class is currently deprecated and no longer actively maintained.
- Added support for standard MULT package FUNCTION and EXPRESSION functionality are supported.
   MODFLOW parameters are not supported in write() methods.

FloPy is significantly different from earlier versions of FloPy (previously hosted on googlecode). The main changes are:

- FloPy is fully zero-based. This means that layers, rows and columns start counting at zero. The reason for this is consistency. Arrays are zero-based by default in Python, so it was confusing to have a mix.
- Input for packages that take *layer*, row, column, data input (like the wel or ghb package) has changed and is much more flexible now. See the notebook flopy3boundaries
- Input for the MT3DMS Source/Sink Mixing (SSM) Package has been modified to be consistent with the new MODFLOW boundary package input and is more flexible than previous versions of FloPy. See the notebook flopy3ssm
- Support for use of EXTERNAL and OPEN/CLOSE array specifiers has been improved.
- load() methods have been developed for all of the standard MODFLOW packages and a few less used packages (e.g. SWI2).
- MODFLOW parameter support has been added to the load() methods. MULT, PVAL, and ZONE packages are now supported and parameter data are converted to arrays in the load() methods. MODFLOW parameters are not supported in write() methods.