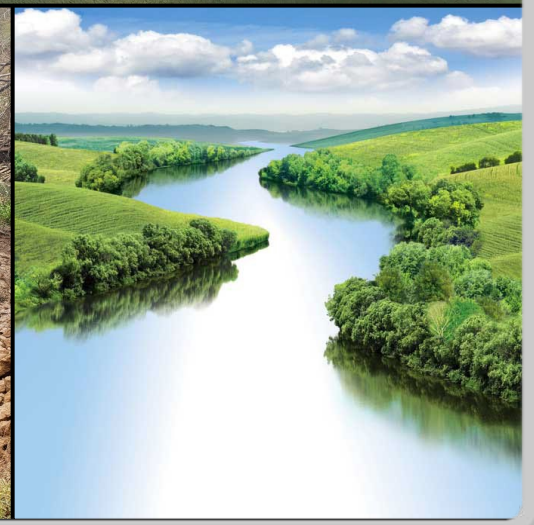
WATER TEMPERATURE CASE STUDY



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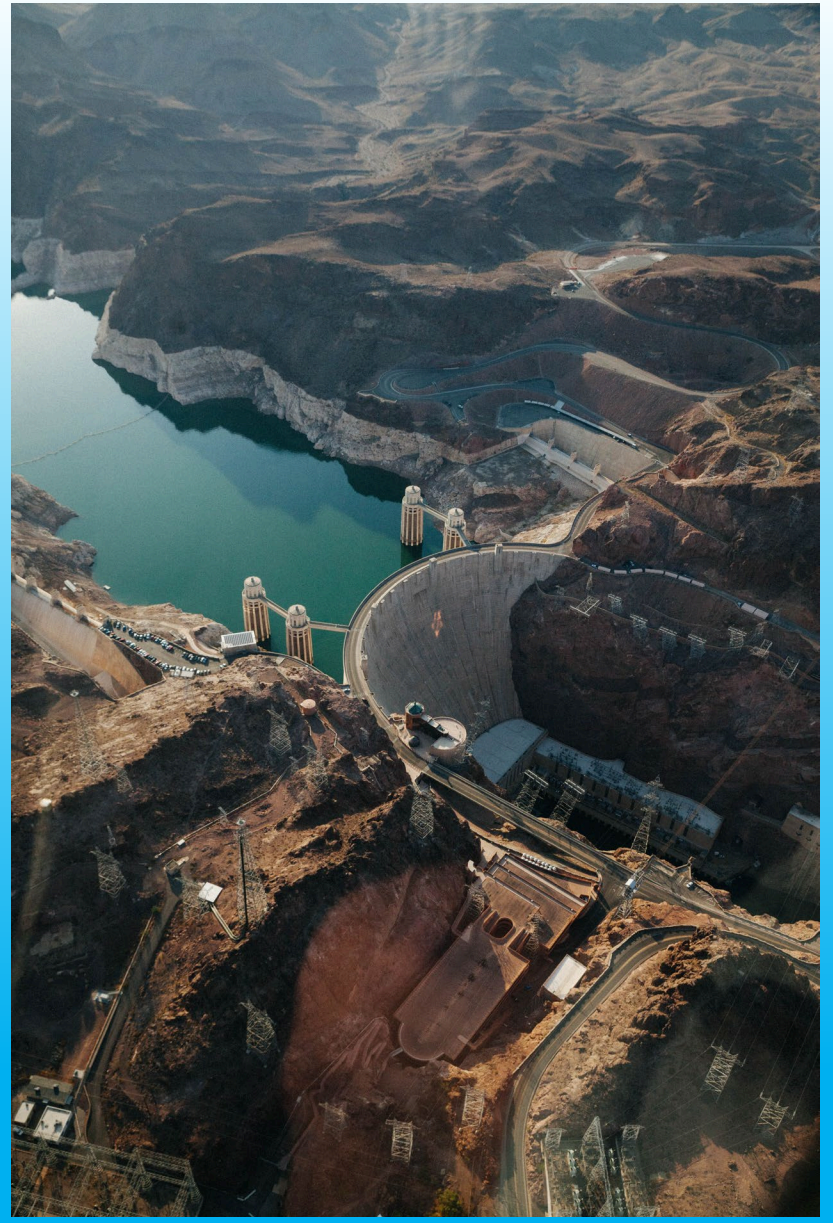
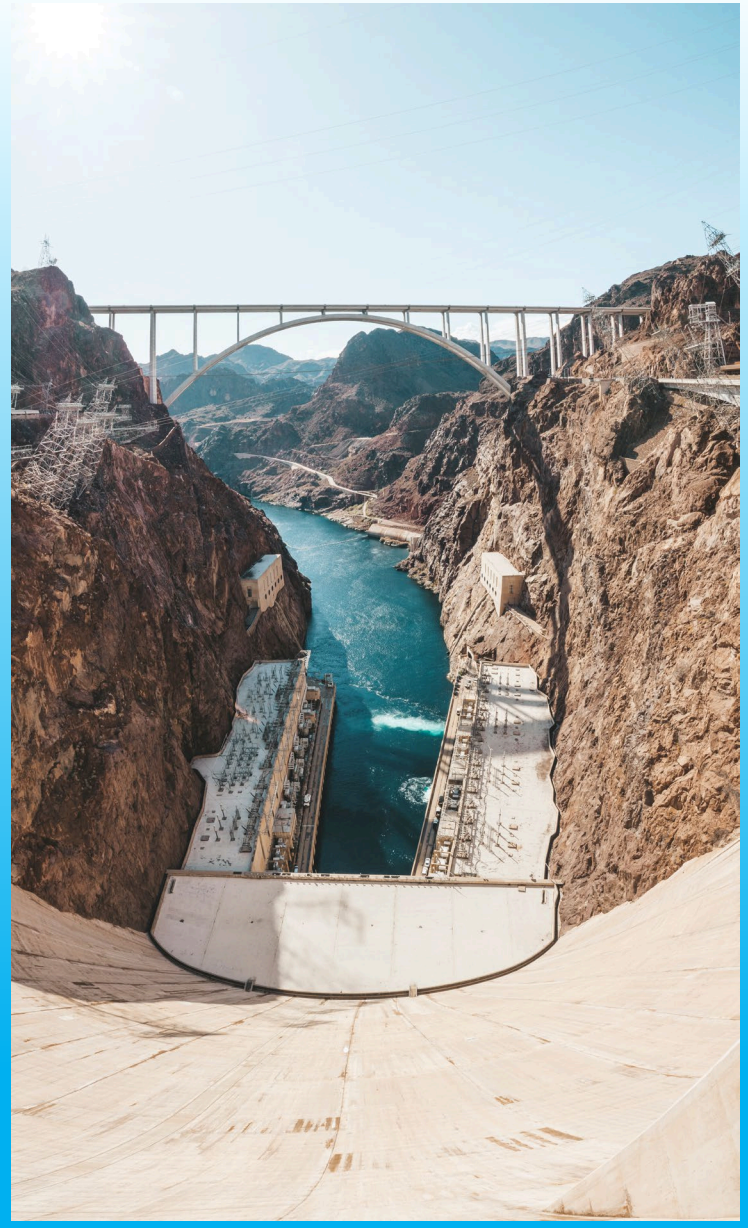
Case Study Overview

- 15-minute presentation, with files to follow along
- Purpose – to become familiar with where temperature inputs and outputs exist in CE-QUAL-W2
- We will focus on where the temperature-related parameters show up in the control file, and the input and output files associated with running a successful temperature model
- Tying the theory section of the user-manual to the input/output section of the user-manual
- Will be followed by a case-study where water quality parameters are changed, and output analyzed



Start with an existing model

- We will use the DeGray Reservoir model, which is available automatically in the CE-QUAL-W2 download – it is currently set up to model sediment-diagenesis and vertical algae migration
- We will edit it down until it features only the essentials for modeling temperature
- We are happy with the bathymetry and will not change it for this case study. It is simple, with one main waterbody and branch.



W2 Model Input Files

Organized by File Directory – for me that is C:\Users\b2edhijm\Documents\Projects\ERDC Steiss\August 22 Tutorial\Temperature Workshop\Practice\DeGray Reservoir with sediment diagenesis and vertical algae migration2

File type	Label in Control File	File name
Control File	-	w2_con.csv
Wind sheltering	WSC FILE WSCFN	wsc.npt
Shading	SHDFN	shade.npt
Bathymetry	BTHFN	bth1.csv
Meteorological	METFN	met.npt
Branch inflow	QINFN branch inflow	qin_br1_equal.npt
	TINFN branch temp	tin_br1.npt
	CINFN branch conc	cin_br1.csv
	QDTFN Distributed flow	qin_br1.npt
Spillway/Gate	QGTFN	qgt.npt

Sets many heat-flux control parameters

Wind function impacts both sensible and latent flux

Local shading – not cloud cover

Sets many heat-flux control parameters

AD equation – boundary conditions

Advection Dispersion of Temp

Advection-Dispersion Equation Balance

$$\frac{\partial B\Phi}{\partial t}+\frac{\partial UB\Phi}{\partial x}+\frac{\partial WB\Phi}{\partial z}-\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\left[BD_x\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial x}\right]-\frac{\partial}{\partial z}\left[BD_z\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial z}\right]=q_\Phi B+S_\Phi B \qquad \textbf{(4-12)}$$

where:

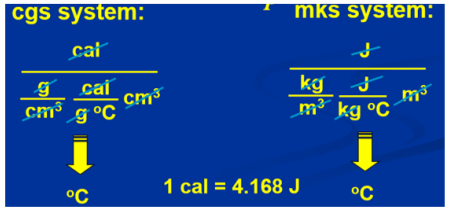
- Φ = laterally averaged constituent concentration, $g\ m^{-3}$
- D_x = longitudinal temperature and constituent dispersion coefficient, $m^2\ sec^{-1}$
- D_z = vertical temperature and constituent dispersion coefficient, $m^2\ sec^{-1}$
- q_Φ = lateral inflow or outflow mass flow rate of constituent per unit volume, $g\ m^{-3}\ sec^{-1}$
- S_Φ = laterally averaged source/sink term, $g\ m^{-3}\ sec^{-1}$

Substitute H into the equation for Φ, which relates to temperature as:

$$T=\frac{H}{\rho C_p V}$$

$$H=\rho C_p V T$$

Units:



HYD PRINT - Print in the SNP file	HNAME	FMTH	HMULT	HPRWBC1	HPRWB
NVIOL - Violations of time step	"Timestep violat	(I10)	1	ON	
U	"Horizontal velo	(f10.3)	1	ON	
W	"Vertical velocity	(f10.3)	1	OFF	
T	"Temperature [T	(f10.3)	1	ON	
RHO	"Density [RHO] g	(f10.3)	1	OFF	
AZ	"Vertical eddy vi	(f10.3)	1	OFF	
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SB	"Bottom shear [S	(f10.3)	1	OFF	
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GRAV	"Gravity term ch	(f10.3)	1	OFF	

- Temperature is included in the hydraulic calculations because it affects things like density and viscosity – we don't need to turn this on and off
- Will need initial and boundary conditions for this – BCs for temperature in the tin_br1.npt file

Kinetics – Equilibrium Model or Term by Term?

Sources/Sinks from manual:

Term-by-term surface heat exchange is computed as:

$$\Phi_n = \Phi_s - \Phi_{sr} + \Phi_a - \Phi_{ar} - \Phi_{br} - \Phi_e - \Phi_c \qquad \textbf{(4-13)}$$

where:

ϕ_n: net surface heat flux, $W\,m^{-2}$
ϕ_s: incoming short-wave solar radiation, $W\,m^{-2}$
ϕ_{sr}: reflected short-wave solar radiation, $W\,m^{-2}$
ϕ_{sn}: net short-wave solar radiation, ϕ_s-ϕ_{sr}, $W\,m^{-2}$
ϕ_a: incoming long-wave atmospheric radiation, $W\,m^{-2}$
ϕ_{ar}: reflected atmospheric long-wave radiation, $W\,m^{-2}$
ϕ_{br}: back long-wave radiation, $W\,m^{-2}$
ϕ_e: evaporative heat loss, $W\,m^{-2}$
ϕ_c: conductive heat loss, $W\,m^{-2}$

Heat Exchange Parameters in .xslm interface:

EQ process described on pages 101-102 of manual part 2

HEAT EXCHANGE	WB1	WB2	WB3	W
H SLHTC - Heat computations - Equilibrium (ET) or Term-by-term (TERM)	TERM			
SROC - Read in Short wave solar radiation ON or OFF	OFF			
RHEVAP - Use Ryan-Harleman Evap Model - for cooling ponds ON or OFF	OFF			
METIC - Interpolate meteorological data ON or OFF	ON			
FETCHC - Heinz Stefan Lake fetch correction - there is already an internal fetc	OFF			
AFW - Evaporation coefficient	9.2			
BFW - Evaporation coefficient	0.46			
CFW - Evaporation coefficient	2			
WINDH - Wind height measurement above ground surface, m	10			

Shortwave Solar Radiation

File input or computed?

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It is rare to have a good short-wave solar radiation data source. Therefore, W2 uses an empirical calculation of short-wave solar radiation based on solar altitude and other parameters, as described in the user-manual, page 95-96. Many of these parameters are based on lat/long and time of day.

Shortwave Solar Radiation – Cloud Cover and Shade

The shortwave solar radiation is dampened by a cloud cover factor that gets defined in the meteorological file.

The shortwave solar radiation is also dampened by a local shading factor defined in the **shade file.**

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1980 DeGray Reservoir meteorology

JDAY	TAIR	TDEW	WIND	PHI	CLOUD
1.000	2.2	-1.1	1.9	4.72	0.0
1.125	1.7	-1.1	2.3	4.37	0.0
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W2 Shading Input File, Vegetatiand Topograpcalibratveg characteand correctetopography

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2	1												
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Shortwave Solar Radiation – Penetration

Theory: Every cell in the model performs this computation.

Short wave solar radiation penetrates the surface and decays exponentially with depth according to Bear's Law (see Figure 53):

$$\phi_s(z) = (1-\beta)\phi_{sn}e^{-\eta z} \qquad \textbf{(4-26)}$$

where:

$\phi_s(z)$ =short wave radiation at depth z, $W\,m^{-2}$
β =fraction absorbed at the water surface
η =extinction coefficient, m^{-1}
ϕ_{sn} =net short-wave radiation reaching the surface, $W\,m^{-2}$

Model Input:
Extinction coefficient will be a combination of light extinction due to various constituents, such as suspended solids, algae, zooplankton, etc. Extinction will be a function of their concentrations.

EX COEF	WB1	WB2
EXH2O - water light extinction- 1/m	0.45	
EXSS - suspended solids light extinction- 1/m	0.01	
EXOM - extinction organic matter- 1/(m mg/l)	0.2	
BETA - fraction short wave absorbed on surface	0.45	
EXC - Read in light extinction time series ON or OFF	OFF	
EXIC - Interpolation of light extinction time series ON or OFF	OFF	
ALG EXTINCTION	EXA1	EXA2
Algae light extinction- 1/(m mg/l)	0.2	
ZOO EXTINCTION	EXZ1	EXZ2
Zooplankton light extinction- 1/(m mg/l)	0.2	
MACRO EXTINCTION	EXM1	EXM2
Macrophyte light extinction- 1/(m mg/l)	0.01	

Longwave Radiation

- Longwave radiation from air to water and water back to air use the same formula, based on the temperature of the emitting body, the Stephan-Boltzmann coefficient, and the emissivity of the body.
- Emissivity is a function of vapor pressure, which can be calculated from the measured dew point.

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ENTRY SURFACE_TERMS (TSUR)

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Fortran source code showing how vapor pressure is calculated

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Sensible Heat – Conduction and Convection

Surface heat conduction is computed as:

$$\phi_c = C_c f(W_z)(T_s - T_a) \qquad \textbf{(4-25)}$$

where:

C_c = Bowen's coefficient, *0.47 mm Hg* $^{o}C^{-1}$ ← **Constant**

T_a = air temperature, ^{o}C ← **Met file**

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Temperature Output Comparison

Model run with (1) default DeGray settings and with (2) all accessory modules and water quality calculations turned off.

MISCELLANEOUS	NDAY	SELECTC	HABTATC	ENVIRPC	AERATEC	INITUWL	ORGCC	SED_DIAG
	100	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF

CST COMP - Water quality computations	CCC	LIMC	CUF	CO2PPM	CO2YRLY
CCC: Turn ON or OFF water quality calculations, LIMC: Limiting nutrient comp	OFF	ON	1	400	ON

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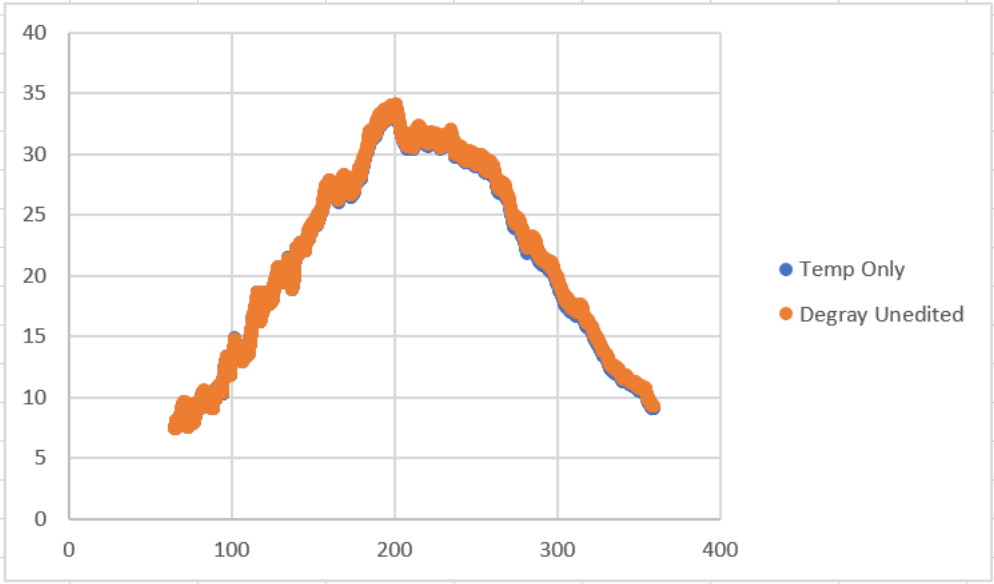
Comparison at Layer 2

JUST TEMP			DEGRAY UNEDITED				
JDAY	Temp		JDAY	Temp	Difference	% Diff	Max % diff
64.5	7.4		64.5	7.4	0	0	0.0250392
64.604	7.515		64.604	7.517	0.002	0.000266	
64.701	7.557		64.701	7.56	0.003	0.000397	
64.806	7.561		64.806	7.562	0.001	0.000132	
64.903	7.575		64.903	7.576	0.001	0.000132	
65	7.599		65	7.6	0.001	0.000132	
65.104	7.594		65.104	7.592	-0.002	-0.00026	
65.201	7.538		65.201	7.536	-0.002	-0.00027	
65.306	7.491		65.306	7.489	-0.002	-0.00027	
65.403	7.52		65.403	7.519	-0.001	-0.00013	
65.5	7.718		65.5	7.724	0.006	0.000777	
65.604	7.962		65.604	7.992	0.03	0.003754	
65.701	8.078		65.701	8.114	0.036	0.004437	
65.806	8.026		65.806	8.064	0.038	0.004712	
65.903	7.973		65.903	8.011	0.038	0.004743	
66	7.93		66	7.969	0.039	0.004894	
66.104	7.889		66.104	7.928	0.039	0.004919	
66.201	7.85		66.201	7.887	0.037	0.004691	



Comparison at Layer 16

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JDAY	Temp		JDAY	Temp	Difference	% Diff	Max % diff
64.5	7.2		64.5	7.2	0	0	0.256413148
64.604	7.186		64.604	7.186	0	0	
64.701	7.164		64.701	7.164	0	0	
64.806	7.129		64.806	7.129	0	0	
64.903	7.114		64.903	7.114	0	0	
65	7.131		65	7.132	0.001	0.00014	
65.104	7.195		65.104	7.195	0	0	
65.201	7.301		65.201	7.3	-0.001	-0.00014	
65.306	7.385		65.306	7.384	-0.001	-0.00014	
65.403	7.482		65.403	7.481	-0.001	-0.00013	
65.5	7.483		65.5	7.479	-0.004	-0.00053	
65.604	7.494		65.604	7.49	-0.004	-0.00053	
65.701	7.533		65.701	7.538	0.005	0.000663	
65.806	7.607		65.806	7.628	0.021	0.002753	
65.903	7.675		65.903	7.707	0.032	0.004152	
66	7.716		66	7.747	0.031	0.004002	
66.104	7.726		66.104	7.743	0.017	0.002196	
66.201	7.709		66.201	7.706	-0.003	-0.00039	
66.306	7.669		66.306	7.652	-0.017	-0.00222	
66.403	7.619		66.403	7.601	-0.018	-0.00237	
66.5	7.569		66.5	7.56	-0.009	-0.00119	
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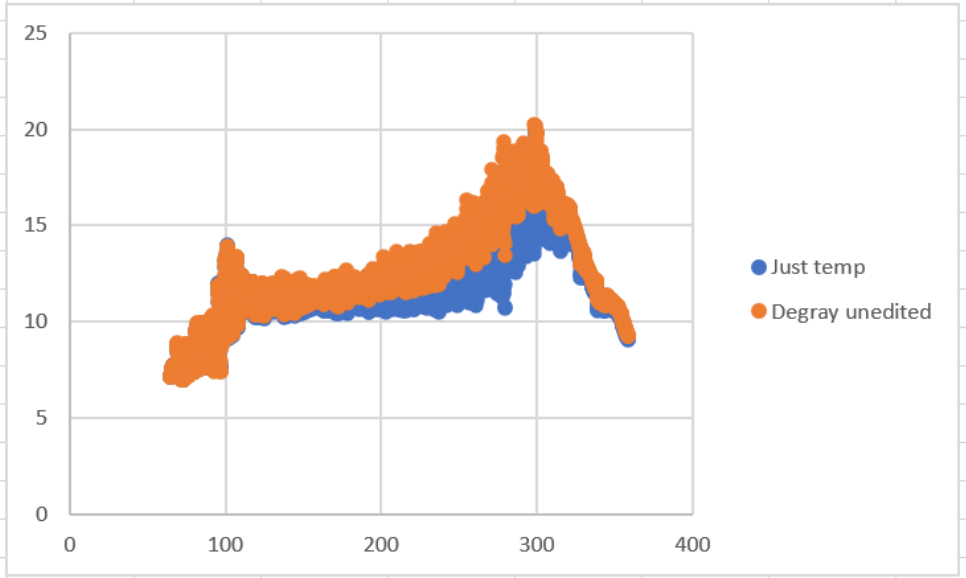

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