

# A Brief Tutorial for Running DHSVM-RBM

## Download and Uncompress the Files

Unpack the compressed file `DHSVM_RBM.tar.gz`.

```
tar -xzf DHSVM_RBM.tar.gz
```

After unpacking the file, the source code and supporting files will be in `DHSVM_RBM`:

The sub-directories within this directory are:

<code>../Create</code>	- contains the Fortran 90 source and <code>makefile</code> that build the forcing file for <code>RBM</code>
<code>../Output</code>	- contains the sample output for the examples provided here
<code>../DHSVM3.1.2</code>	- contains the source code and <code>makefile</code> for the hydrologic model, <code>DHSVM</code> , which generates the hydrologic data and meteorological data requires by the stream temperature model, <code>RBM</code>
<code>../RBM</code>	- contains the source code <code>makefile</code> for the stream temperature model, <code>RBM</code>
<code>../Scripts</code>	- contains the pre- and post-processing scripts
<code>tutorial.pdf</code>	- contains the tutorial

**NOTE:** In what follows, there are `nreach` sub-basins. Each sub-basin has a headwaters and is divided into segments where each segment has a unique number. One set of segment numbers is assigned by executing the hydrologic model, `DHSVM`. A second set of numbers is created for purposes of running the stream temperature model, `RBM`. The process for creating the second set also creates a file, `*.segmap`, that maps the second set of segment numbers onto the first for purposes of plotting.

## Run the Model

The stream temperature model, `RBM`, simulates water temperatures using forcing data and topology created by the distributed hydrologic model, `DHSVM3.1.2`. The files include:

### Forcing Files

The hydrologic and meteorological forcing files are generated from the `DHSVM3.1.2` model in this directory, “`../DHSVM3.1.2`”. To run `DHSVM3.1.2`, follow these steps:

- I. From the directory, “**../DHSVM3.1.2**”, modify the configuration file, **INPUT.Mercer.3.1.2**. In the section [OPTIONS], make

**Stream Temperature = TRUE**

If riparian vegetation is taken into account, then

**Canopy Shading = TRUE**

Otherwise,

**Canopy Shading = FALSE**

- II. If **Canopy Shading = TRUE**, enter the parameter values that characterize the riparian vegetation in the section [CONSTANS]. The parameters include: Tree Height (m), Vegetation Buffer Width (m), Overhang Coefficient that is a percentage of tree height used to represent overhanging canopy (0 ~ 1), Extinction Coefficient (0 ~ 1), and Canopy Bank Distance indicating the distance from bank to canopy (m).

- III. Run the model following the tutorial for **DHSVM3.1.1**, which can be downloaded at <http://www.hydro.washington.edu/Lettenmaier/Models/DHSVM/index.shtml>. The output forcing files will be in the directory “**../DHSVM3.1.2/output**”.

Outputs include:

- ATP.Only** – air temperature, °C, for each computational interval and each stream segment.
- NSW.Only** – net shortwave radiation,  $Watts/m^2$ , for each time step and each stream segment.
- NLW.Only** – net longwave radiation,  $Watts/m^2$ , for each time step and each stream segment.
- VP.Only** – vapor pressure, *pascals*, for each time step and each stream segment.
- WND.Only** – wind speed, m/s, for each times step and each stream segment.
- Inflow.Only** – inflow,  $m^3/second$ , for each computational interval and each stream segment.
- Outflow.Only** – outflow,  $m^3/second$ , for each time step and each stream segment.

The format for each of these files is as follows:

<MM/DD/YYYY-HH:MM:SS (start date)> <MM/DD/YYYY-HH:MM:SS (end date)>  
<segment number(n), n=1, number of segments>  
<MM.DD.YYYY-HH:MM:SS (initial time)>  
<MM.DD.YYYY-HH:MM:SS (data time), **dhsvm\_output(n)**, n=1,number of segments>

where **dhsvm\_output(n)** are the simulated values of air temperature, shortwave radiation, longwave radiation, vapor pressure, wind speed, inflow and outflow, for each segment. A record is needed for each time step.

**NOTE:** The start date of above forcing files, *\*.Only*, is one day behind the start date specified in the DHSVM configuration file, *INPUT.Mercer.3.1.2*, and so is the start date of output stream temperature simulations.

### Stream Topology

In this directory, “*../Scripts*”, compile the program, *make\_stream\_connectivity.c*, to create the stream topology file, *convergence.txt*.

```
gcc make_stream_connectivity.c -o make_stream_connectivity
```

Copy the executable, *make\_stream\_connectivity*, to “*../Work\_Space*”.

Execute the program::

```
./make_stream_connectivity <map> <network> <outdir> <no_segments>  
<skip>
```

Where *<map>* is the stream map file, *<network>* is the stream network file. Both files are input files required by *DHSVM3.1.2*, and are stored in this directory, “*../DHSVM3.1.2/input*”.

*<outdir>* specifies the output directory, *<no\_segments>* is the total segment numbers, *<skip>* is the number of lines in the header of the stream map file, *<map>*.

Example:

```
./make_stream_connectivity ../DHSVM3.1.2/input/stream.map  
../DHSVM3.1.2/input/stream.network ./ 80 9
```

The format for the topology file is as follows:

```
<segment id> <destination segment id> <length-meters> <depth-meters>  
<avg azimuth> <upstream segment id>
```

**NOTE:** This file, *convergence.txt*, must be renamed to: *<ProjectName>.dir*, where *<ProjectName>* is a unique name given to this set of simulations. The name will be used to identify a number of additional files required for the simulation.

**NOTE:** If more than one segment other than the basin outlet has the “SAVE” indicator in the 7<sup>th</sup> column in file, *stream.network*, REMOVE the “SAVE” indicators for these segments before using the network file in this program!! Also, make sure that ONLY the outlet segment has a value of -1 in the sixth column. If more than one segment has the value of -1 in the 6<sup>th</sup> column, reduce the minimum contributing area and rerun the “createstreamnetwork” script to reduce the number of outlets in the stream network created.

After creating the convergence file, follow these steps:

- I. Create a working directory, “**../Work\_Space**”, and copy the topology file, **<ProjectName>.dir**, to this directory.
- II. From the directory, “**../Scripts**”, copy the file, **build\_DHSVM\_network.pl**, to the working directory, “**../Work\_Space**”, and run this script as shown below:
  - 1) Execute the Perl script  
**perl build\_DHSVM\_network.pl**
  - 2) Enter the **<ProjectName>**. In this example, we use **Mercer** as the project name.  
**Mercer**
  - 3) Enter the **<smooth>** parameter for smoothing the air temperatures. In this example, 0.1:  
**0.1**
  - 4) Enter the Mohseni nonlinear regression parameters of smoothed air temperature on initial headwaters temperatures:  
**17.0, 16.0, 0.3, 0.1**
  - 5) Enter the Leopold coefficients for stream speed in  $ft^3/s$ :  
**0.9, 0.21, 0.5**
  - 6) Enter the Leopold coefficients for stream depth in  $ft$ :  
**0.2, 0.4, 0.5**

The work flow is also shown in Figure 1.

```
[...]\Work_Space]$ perl build_DHSVM_network.pl
Input ProjectName for topology file: <ProjectName>.dir
This script will build a network file: <ProjectName>.net
Mercer
Input parameters for initial (headwaters) temperatures
and hydraulic parameters, depth and stream speed
Input values are separated by commas

Input parameter, <smooth>, for smoothing daily air temperatures
0.1
Input Mohseni nonlinear regression parameters
<alpha>,<beta>,<gamma>,<mu>
17, 16,0.3,0.1
Leopold coefficients,<U_a>, <U_b> + u_min for stream speed, u
where u = <U_a>*Q**<U_b> and u_min is a threshold speed (English units)
0.9 0.21 0.5
Leopold coefficients,<D_a>, <D_b> + d_min for stream depth, D
where D = <D_a>*Q**<D_b> and D_min is a threshold depth (English units)
0.2, 0.4, 0.5
```

Figure 1. Screen shot when the Perl script that generates the network file is executed.

- III. Executing this Perl script creates the network text file, **<Project>.net** (**Mercer.net**, in this example), required by the stream temperature model, **RBM**.

The file, **<Project>.net**, has the following structure:

Group 1: **<Title>**

Group 2: **<Forcing File>**

Group 3: **<alpha> <beta> <gamma> <mu>** (Parameters for nonlinear regression)

(See Mohseni et al, 1998, for description of parameters)

Group 4: **<D\_a> <D\_b> <D\_min>** (Leopold coefficients for depth and threshold depth) (See Leopold and Maddock [1953] or Yearsley [2012] for description of parameters)

Group 5: **<U\_a> <U\_b> <U\_min>** (Leopold coefficients for speed and threshold speed)

(See Leopold and Maddock [1953] or Yearsley [2012] for description of parameters)

Group 6: **<nreach>** (Number of reaches: see **NOTE** at the beginning for definition)

Group 7: (There are **nreach** groups describing the topology of each sub-basin)

Headwaters Data:

#\_Segments **<no\_segments>** Headwaters **<head\_no>** TribCell **<trib\_cell>**

Segment Data:

Seq **<seq\_no>** Path **<dhsvm\_no>** X\_0 **<seg\_x0>** X\_1 **<seg\_x1>**

Elevation **<seg\_elevation>**

(For each headwaters, there is a Segment line for the total number of stream segments, **no\_segments**, in that reach.

The file, **<Project>.segmap** (**Mercer.segmap**, in the example) is also created. This file contains a mapping from the sequence numbers used by the stream temperature model, **RBM**, to the segment numbers created by the hydrologic model, **DHSVM**. This file has the following format:

Group 1: **<nreach> <no\_segments>** (where **<nreach>** - number of reaches, **<no\_segments>** - number of stream segments)

Group 2: Sequence **<RBM\_sequence>** Path **<DHSVM\_Sequence>** (where **<RBM\_sequence>** - segment sequence number for RBM, **<DHSVM\_Sequence>** - segment sequence number for DHSVM. There are **<no\_segments>** lines for Group 2 data.)

IV. In the directory, “**../Create**”, create the executable, **Create\_File**, by executing the make file:

**make**

Copy the executable, **Create\_File**, to the working directory, “**../Work\_Space**”. Then execute **Create\_File**:

**./CreateFile <Input Files Directory> <ProjectName>**

where **<Input Files Directory>** is the directory with the **\*.Only** files, **<ProjectName>** is the project name.

In the example:

**./CreateFile ../DHSVM3.1.2/output Mercer**

This will create the file with hydrologic and meteorological forcings `<ProjectName>.forcing`. The file in the example will have the name `Mercer.forcing`.

V. In the directory, “`../RBM`”, create the executable, `RBM`, by typing:

```
make
```

Then copy the resulting executable, `RBM`, to the working directory. If `RBM` is not executable, modify its access permission:

```
chmod 755 RBM
```

VI. In the working directory, type

```
./RBM <ProjectName>
```

The simulation results will be in the file, `<ProjectName>.temp`. There is output for each segment for every simulation period.

The file “`<ProjectName>.temp`” has the following structure:

```
<time> <day> <segment sequence#> <in-reach sequence#> <simulated  
temperature> <headwaters temperature> <air temperature> <depth>
```

### **Process the Model Results**

Compile the script, `Extract.Segment.Temp.scr`, to reformat the 3-hourly stream temperature output and compute daily average stream temperature for the selected segments.

Before running the script, change the hard coded parameters in this script including *the selected segment #*, *path to the input file* `<ProjectName>.temp`, *output directory*, *the time step of the input file*, `<ProjectName>.temp`, and *the start date* as in all input forcing files ***\*.Only***.

**NOTE: The segment sequence # is the one used by `RBM` not by `DHSVM` as in the stream network file. If the end date doesn't have a full record from MM/DD/YYYY-00:00 to MM/DD/YYYY-21:00, the averaging script will exclude the last day in the computations.**

In the directory, “`../Scripts`”, execute the program:

```
chmod 755 Extract.Segment.Temp.scr
```

```
./Extract.Segment.Temp.scr
```

The output files are stored in the designated directory, in this example, “`../Output`”.

The file, **seg??.temp.txt**, has the following structure:

```
<mm/dd/yyyy-hh:mm> <simulated temperature> <headwaters temperature>  
<air temperature> <depth>
```

The file, **seg??.daily.temp.txt**, has the following structure:

```
<mm/dd/yyyy> <averaged daily stream temperature>
```

## References

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