

Testing and Validating the Parallel Next Generation Water Resources Model Framework

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❖ **Goal: Ensure the reliability and bug-free implementation of the Ngen code during the scale up process in CPU cores and domain size.**

We have demonstrated a technique for executing models not designed for distributed processing in parallel environments.

❖ We demonstrate the Ngen⁽¹⁾ framework generates consistent results in both serial and parallel modes across:
(1) various compute scales (number of CPU cores)
(2) various spatial domain scales

❖ Validated with Linux diff and Custom scripts/visualization

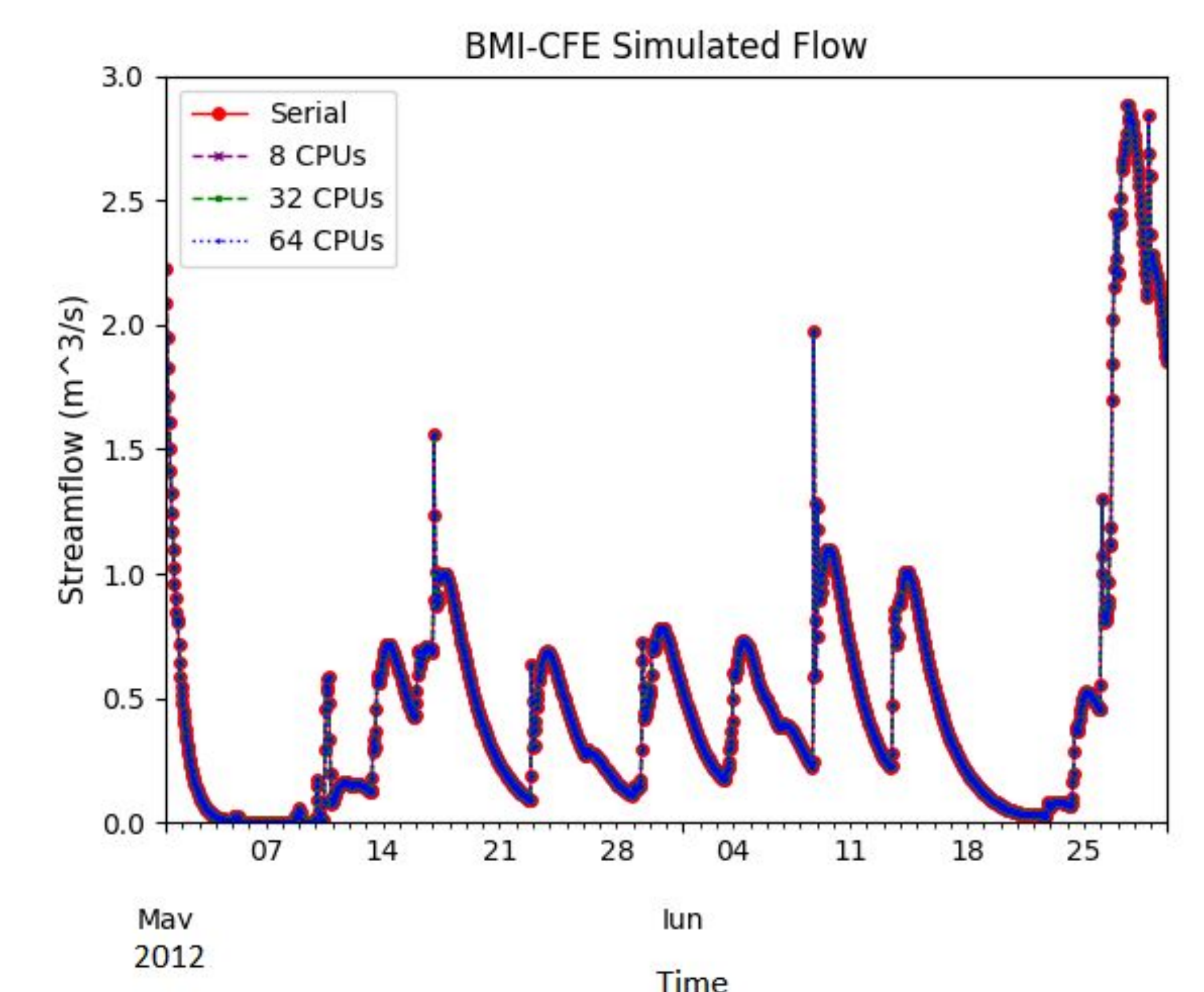
❖ Hydrologic Domains for Test Runs
* Sugar Creek (top left figure)
67 catchments, 36 nexuses
* Huc01, (bottom left figure)
14632 catchments, 7297 nexuses
* A small sample testing hydrofabric (not shown)
33 catchments and 18 nexuses
❖ Computational Setup:
* BMI-CFE model on Sugar Creek domain:
1, 8, 16, 32, 64 CPU cores (top right figure)
* Noah-OWP-CFE on HUC01 domain running:
1, 16, 32, 64, 96 CPU cores (results not shown)
* Noah-OWP-Topmodel on HUC01 domain running:
1, 8, 16, 32, 33, 64, 96 CPU cores (bottom right figure)

❖ Serial and parallel computations using Ngen produce identical results. This suggests the correctness of the parallel computation code across various compute scales.
❖ The Ngen produces identical results for serial and parallel computation with vastly different sized domains, suggesting it can be used with various spatial domain scales, from regional to continental.

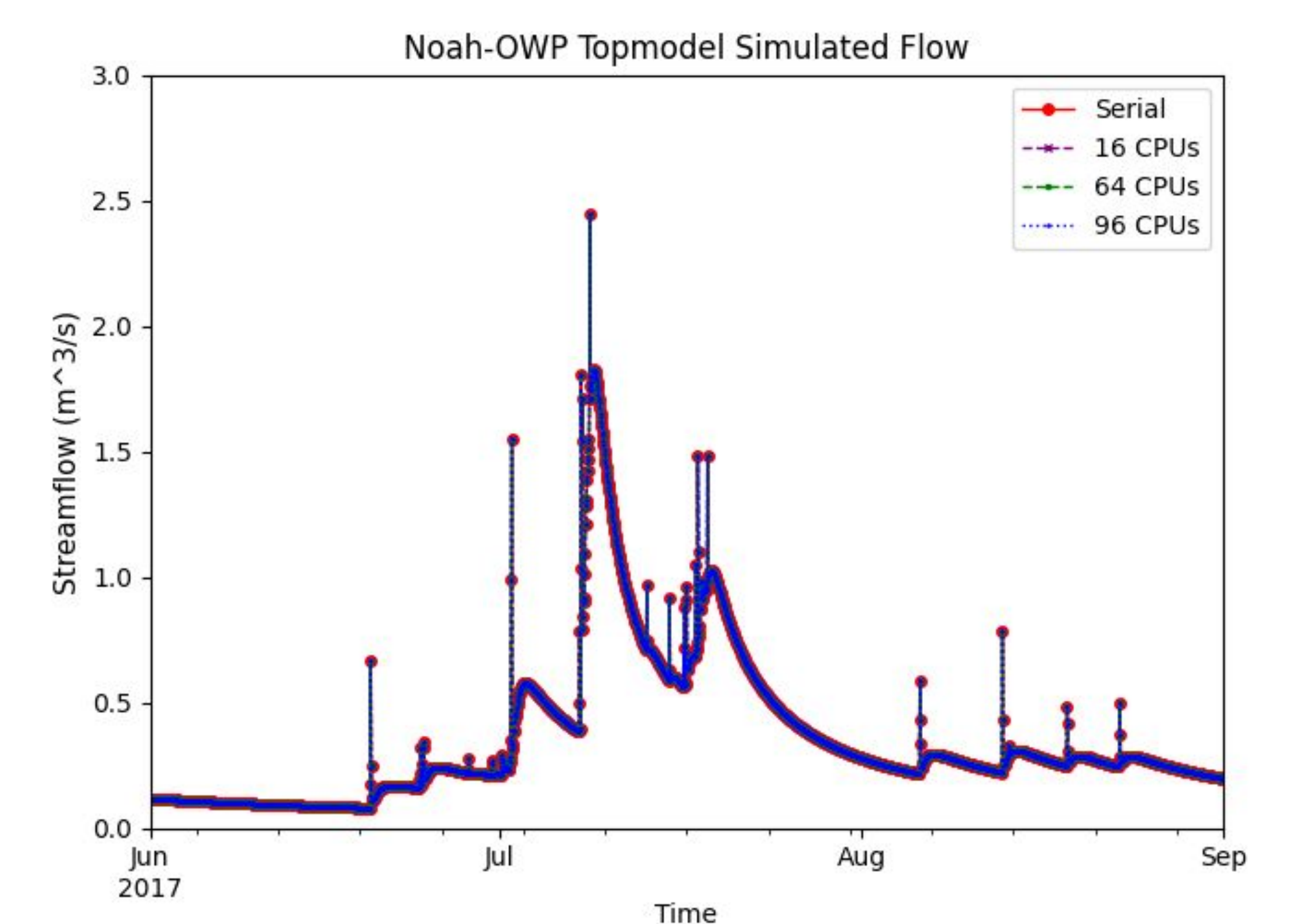


❖ Brief technical background for the parallelization scheme
* Boost graph based hydrofabric network with proper topological order⁽²⁾
* Partition of the hydrofabric network on to MPI ranks using depth first search from tail water to the head water
* Asynchronous communication at shared nexus locations
* Basic model interface (BMI)⁽³⁾

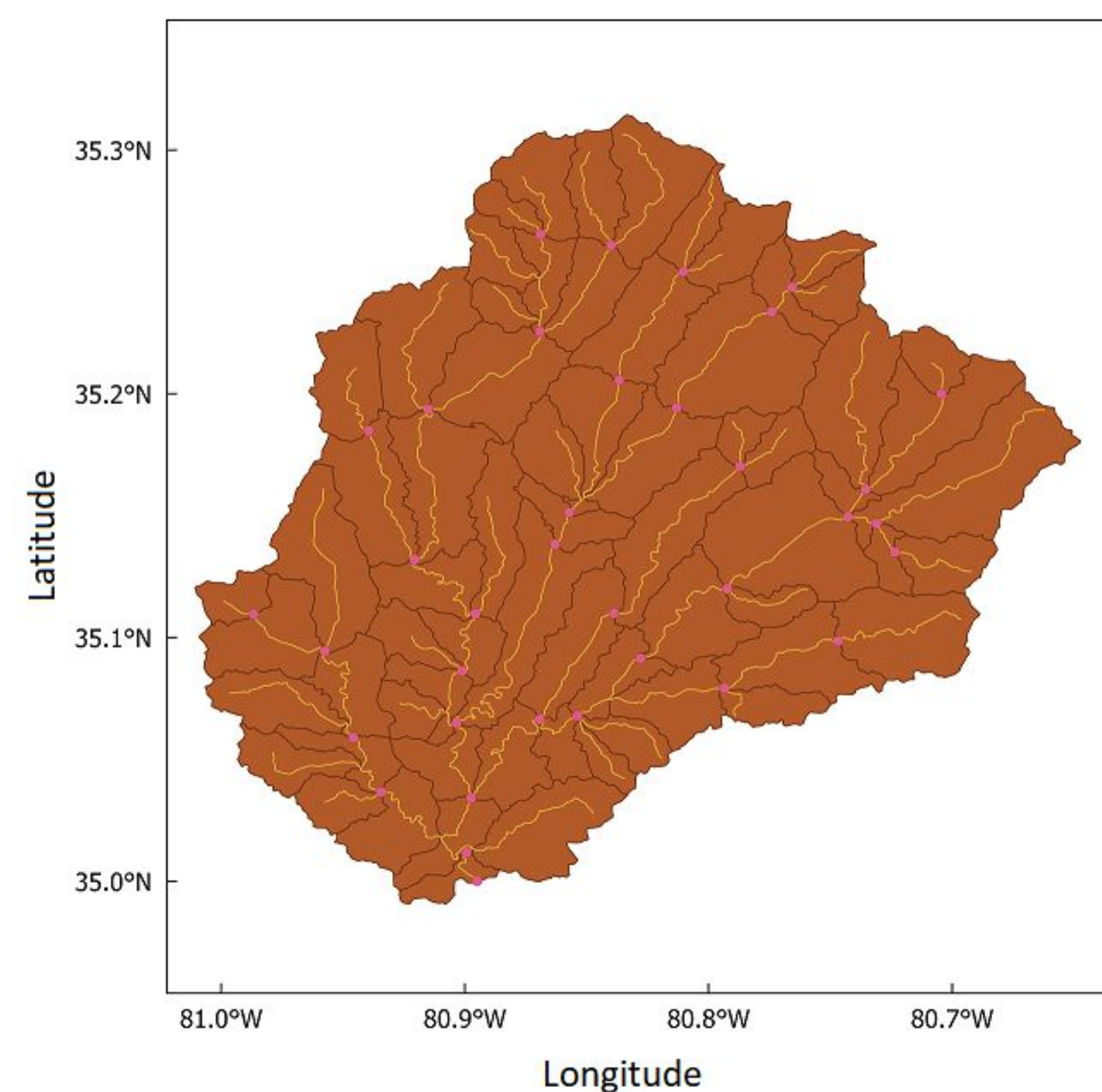
Hydrograph for a typical catchment in Sugar Creek domain showing the streamflow from serial run and parallel runs are all identical.



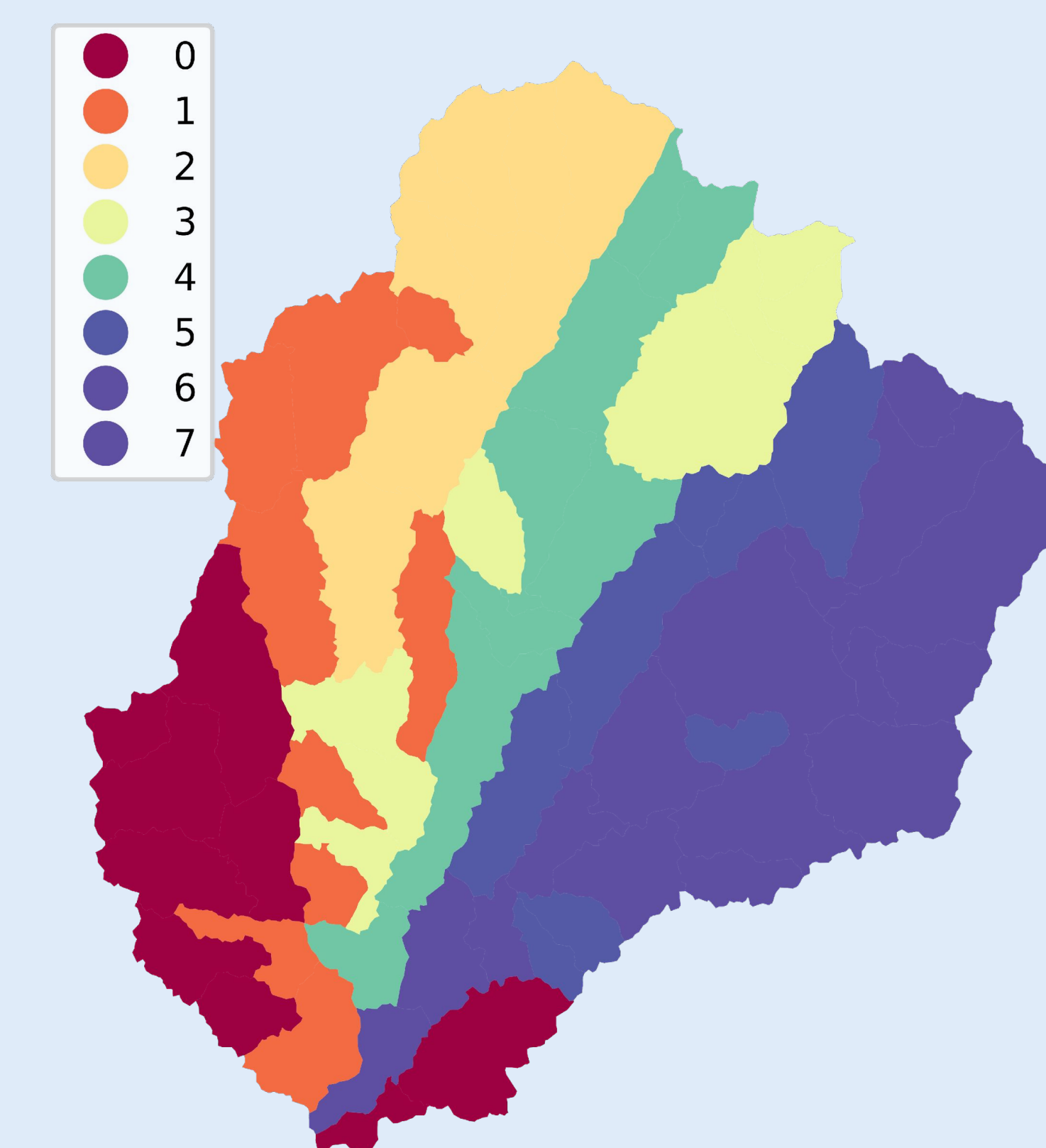
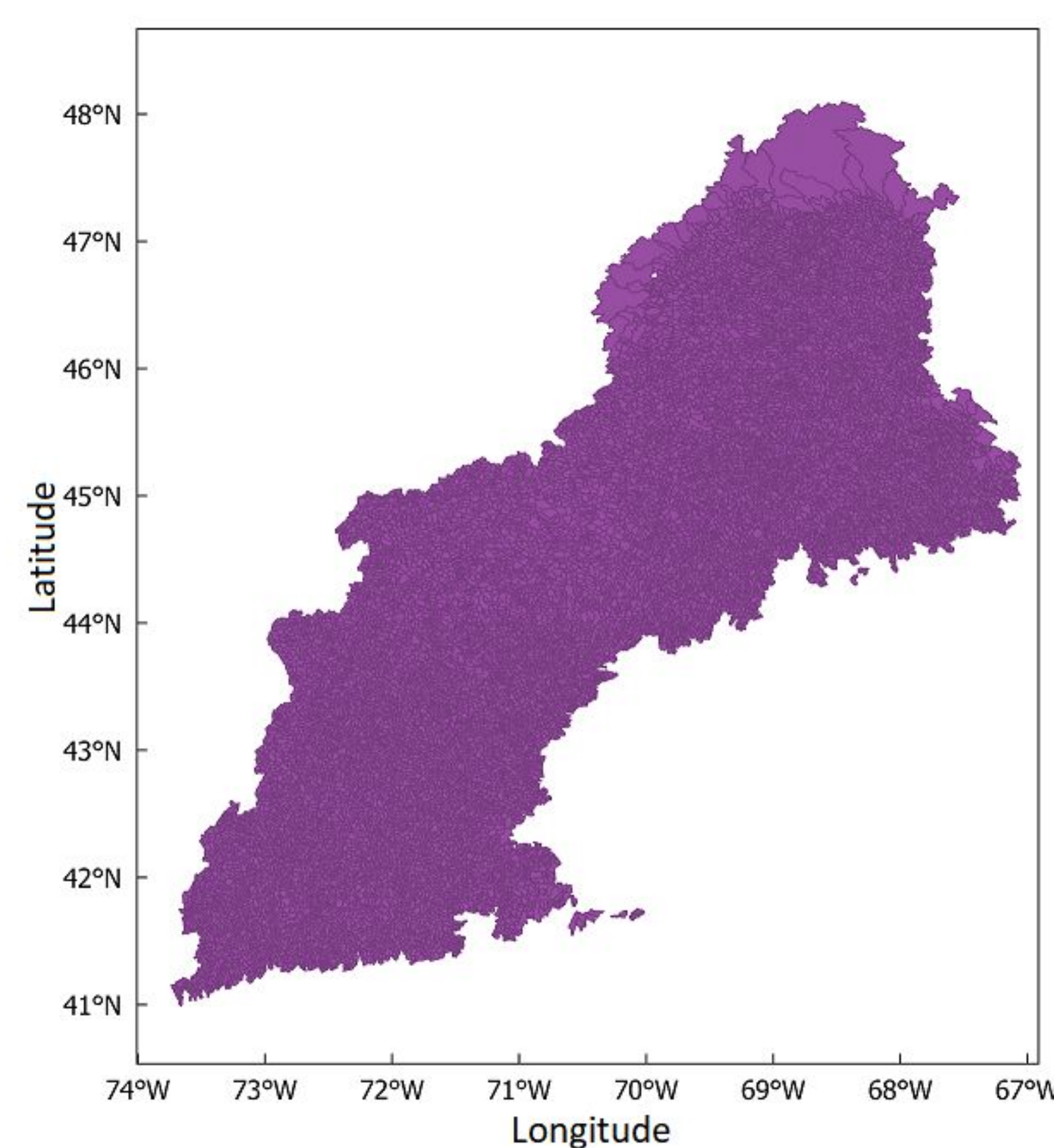
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Sugar Creek Domain



HUC01 Domain



Example parallel partitioning of Sugar Creek Domain with 8 compute resources.

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