# GEOtop Users Manual



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## **Chapter 1**

# **Compiling Instructions**

GEOtop runs properly under:

- Linux platform;
- · Mac platform;
- Windows platform.

## 1.1 Compile GEOtop through a makefile

The GEOtop source code can be downloaded through a terminal (or command prompt if you are using Windows) by typing, as shown in *Figure 1.1*:

"svn co https://dev.fsc.bz.it/repos/geotop/trunk/0.9375KMacKenzie"



Figure 1.1: Download GEOtop source code through a terminal

The downloaded folder contains the folders:

- Debug: which contains the object file created during the compilation and the makefile
- geotop: which contains the code
- Libraries: which contains the support libraries

Open a terminal, go into the folder *Debug* by typing:

\$ cd Debug

To compile GEOtop, type:

\$ make all

The executable file GEOtop1.2 is now created in the Debug folder.

## **Chapter 2**

# **Basic theory**

## 2.1 The calculation grid

#### 2.1.1 Planar grid

The calculation domain is based on a fixed regular Cartesian grid that coincides with the DEM (Digital elevation model), as reported in Fig. 2.1, on which it is possible to extract the hydrological basin closed at a given outlet (Fig. 2.2). The X-axis coincides with the west-east direction and the Y-axis with the South-North direction, whereas the calculation grid size coincides with the pixel size (dX, dY) of the DEM.

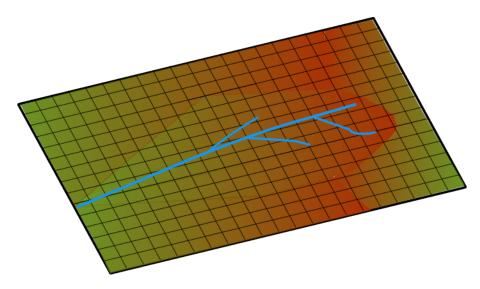


Figure 2.1: DEM of an the area of interest

#### 2.1.2 Vertical grid

The Z-axis is vertical and oriented towards the center of the Earth. It is possible to define the number of layers along the z-axis and the discretization, i.e. the vector of layer depths (Fig. 2.3 left). Note that the layer depth be irregular (different layers of various depths) but uniform in all the domain and the layer numbering starts from the top to the bottom (Fig. 2.3 right). The calculation grid points coincide with the center of the cell (on the X-Y axis) and the center of the layer (on the X-Z axis). Table 2.1 reports and example of a vertical grid discretization characterized by 8 layers with irregular depths.

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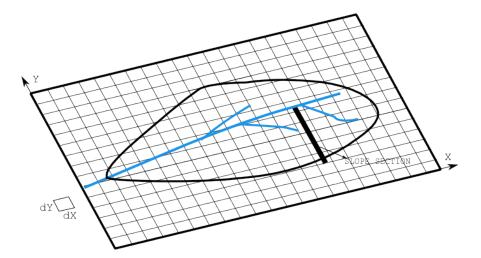


Figure 2.2: Calculation grid coinciding with the DEM. The hydrological basin (black line) and the river network (blue line) are present.

Layer ID	Depth (mm)
1	10
2	15
3	20
4	20
5	60
6	50
7	80
8	100

Table 2.1: Vertical grid discretization and layer depth

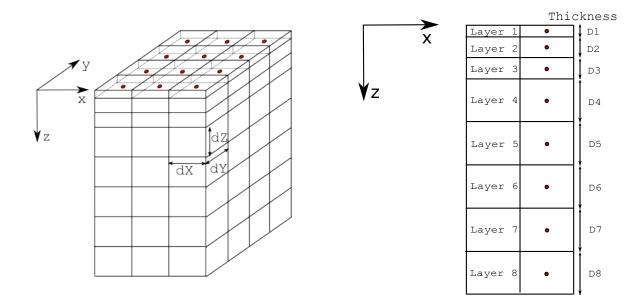


Figure 2.3: Left: three dimensional calculation grid. Right: discretization on the x-z plane. The red points, at the center of the cell, coincide with the calculation grid points

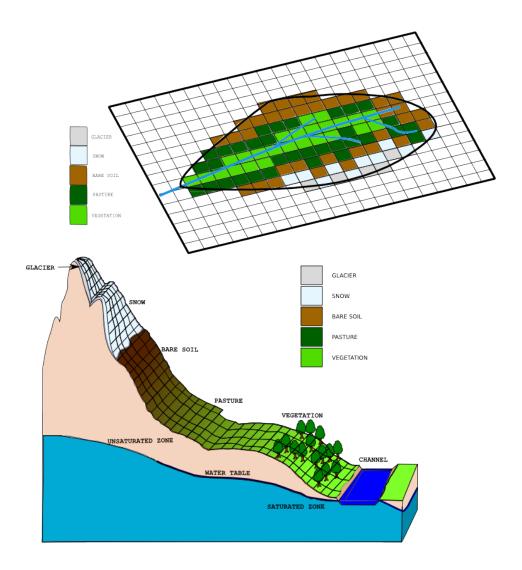


Figure 2.4: Top: Classification of a slope surface in a mountain basin on the basis of the land cover. Bottom: same classification for the entire basin.

#### 2.2 The domain characterization

The domain characterization has the objective to determine:

- the land use i.e. vegetation, pasture, snow, glacier, forest etc. This map is usually called land cover
- the stratigraphical characteristics of the soil, i.e. 1 m of thick debris (gravel), 2 m of sand, 2 m of loam etc. in order to ease the guess of the hydraulic and thermal parameters of the soil. This map is usually called *soil type*.

#### 2.2.1 Land cover

Let us define a slope on the DEM, as reported in Fig. 2.2: ideally it can be figured out as in Fig. 2.4: at the bottom left is located the channel, then towards the higher elevations one may found the vegetated area, pasture, bare soil, snow covered area and glacierized area. Fig. 2.4 on the top reports the slope surface discretization and classification, whereas on the bottom reports the land cover classification of the whole domain. In this example may be identified five classes of land cover: vegetated area, located near the main stream in the low elevated range; pasture area, located in the medium range elevations; bare soil area, located on the steepest part of the domain and at medium-high elevations; snow covered area, located at high elevation and finally the glaciarized area on

the highest parts.

#### **2.2.2 Soil type**

Let us imagine to take a section of the slope and to classify the type of soil in terms of texture (debris, gravel, sand, loam, clay) and bedrock depth. Each classification number would correspond to a particular soil stratigraphy, defining the soil particles and depth of bedrock. Starting from these characteristics, one could derive the hydraulic and thermal parameters, according to ? and **BLA BLA**. Fig. 2.5 reports the resulting map where each color corresponds to a given soil stratigraphy; the description of each type of soil stratigraphy is given in Table 2.2.

Stratigraphy ID	Layer ID involved	Soil texture
1	1, 2, 3	gravel
1	4, 5	clay
1	6, 7, 8	sand
2	1	clay
2	2, 3, 4	gravel
2	5, 6	clay
2	7, 8	sand
3	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6	clay
3	7	gravel
3	8	sand

Table 2.2: Soil type (stratigraphy) present in the domain

#### 2.2.3 The final 3D calculation grid

The final calculation domain is reported in Fig. 2.6. At the top is represented a planar view of the basin with a detail on the soil discretization and stratigraphy; on the bottom, the slope profile is schematized: the surface is classified according to the land cover map, whereas the soil depth according to the soil type map. Please note that he discretization on the Z axis is vertical and not normal to the slope.

### 2.3 The focus on some points

It is possible to select some points in the basin that deserve a special attention, i.e. for the presence of a measurement device or for civil protection reasons. These points may be located wherever in the domain area and may be classified according to topographic characteristics (elevation, slope, aspect), surface type (land cover) and soil stratigraphy (soil type). Table 2.3 summarizes the characteristics of the simulation points reported on Fig. 2.6. The point 1 is located at low altitude on the bottom valley, in a vegetated area near the channel. The point 2 is located slightly upwards on the pasture, the point 3 is at medium-high altitude, where no vegetation is present (bare soil). The point 4, at 2500 m altitude, is still snow covered and finally the point 5, at 3100 m, is characterized by the presence of a glacier. As far as the soil type is concerned, the slope is characterized by the stratigraphy 1 at low altitude near the channel, where the point 1 is located. Then, at medium-range altitude, it is characterized by the stratigraphy 3 (see points 2 and 3) and finally, at high elevations, by the stratigraphy 2 (points 5 and 6).

These points may be highlighted to run multiple 1D simulations (see Par. 3.2) or to print specific point results.

Point ID	Elevation (m a.s.l.)	Slope (°)	Aspect (° N)	Land cover	Soil type
1	1200	15	30	vegetation	1
2	1600	10	30	pasture	3
3	2200	20	15	bare soil	3
4	2500	25	0	snow	2
5	3100	25	0	glacier	2

Table 2.3: Topographic, land cover and soil type characteristics of the simulation points

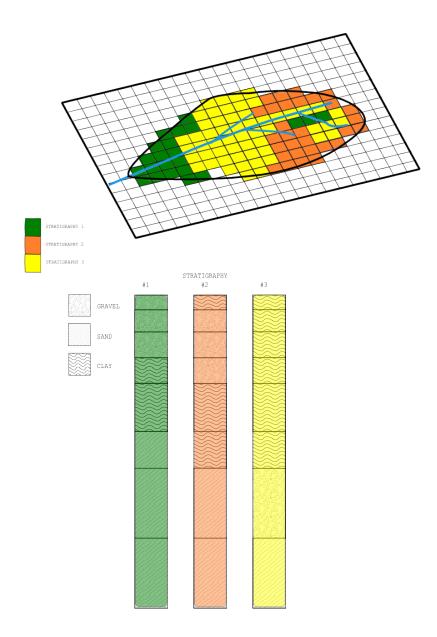


Figure 2.5: Domain characterization oriented to define the soil stratigraphy (soil type map).

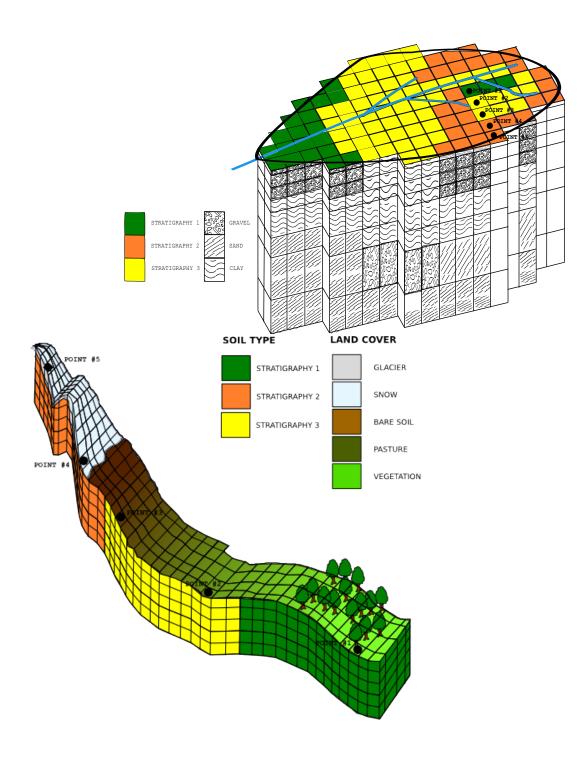


Figure 2.6: Domain characterization oriented to define the soil stratigraphy (soil type map).

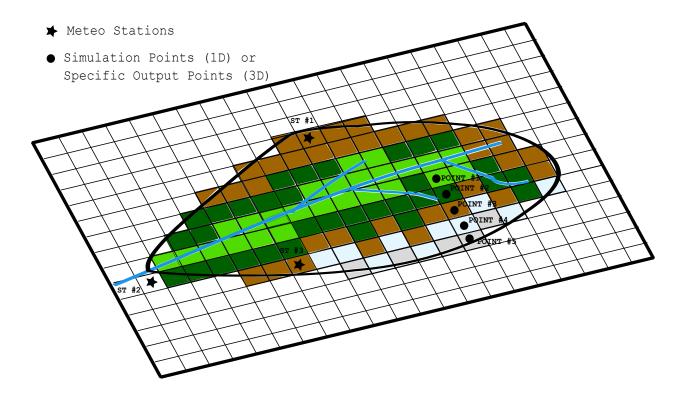


Figure 2.7: Planar view of meteo stations (ST) location in the domain area.

### 2.4 Meteorological forcing

The meteorological data represent the dynamic forcing that constrain the domain to evolve, under the constraints given by topography, the conservation laws and the boundary conditions. GEOtop may receive in input the meteorological data coming from several stations (the number of meteo stations is an input parameter).

#### 2.4.1 Meteo station

In order to describe the characteristics of the meteo stations, it is requested to provide the following information:

- the number of meteo station;
- the coordinates (X, Y, Lat, Long) of each meteo station;
- the elevation;
- the sky view factor;
- the standard time difference (of the time records with respect to Greenwich Meridiam Time);
- the height of the wind speed and air temperature sensors.

Fig. 2.7 shows the planar view of the domain area where three meteo stations (ST) are present: ST1 is located on a high peak, ST2 is on the bottom valley and ST3 is on a medium altitude peak at the lefthand side of the river. The prospect view of the meteo stations is reported in Fig. 2.8. It is important to note the following: (i) the meteo stations may also be outside of the land cover map, however must be located inside the DEM area; (ii) the sky view factor of the meteo station depends on topography: whereas ST1 has no obstruction because of its high elevation, ST2 is characterized by a big obstruction given by the mountain ranges. Finally, the zoom in Fig. 2.8 reports a particular of the meteo station: the wind sensor height and the air temperature height must be specified in the model.

#### 2.4.2 Meteo data

Each meteo station, according to the sensor installed, may measure different type of variables. The admitted input variables considered as meteorological forcing are:

- 1. precipitation intensity (mm  $h^{-1}$ )
- 2. wind velocity (m  $s^{-1}$ )
- 3. wind direction (°N)
- 4. windX and windY (m s<sup>-1</sup>) (must belong to the same meteo station)
- 5. relative humidity (%)
- 6. air temperature (°C)
- 7. dew temperature ( $^{\circ}$ C)
- 8. air pressure (bar)
- 9. short wave solar global radiation (W m<sup>-2</sup>)
- 10. short wave solar direct radiation (W m<sup>-2</sup>)
- 11. short wave solar diffuse radiation (W  $m^{-2}$ )
- 12. short wave solar net radiation (W m<sup>-2</sup>)
- 13. long wave incoming radiation (W  $m^{-2}$ )

The meteo variables have to be provided in the Meteo file, specified by the keyword *MeteoFile*. It is compulsory to add to the file the column of the date, given by the DD/MM/YYYY hh:mm format or by the Julian day. Figg. 2.9, 2.10 2.11 report an example of the time series that may be given in input.

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#### 2.4.3 Cloudiness

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#### 2.4.4 Lapse rates

The meteorological variables are usually characterized by a gradient on elevation, known as "lapse rate". It represents the variation of the variable with elevation. GEOtop admits in input the a dynamic lapse rate that (variable in time) that, according to the elevation of the calculation grid node, modifies the value of the variable. The meteorological variable that admits a lapse rate are:

- lapse rate for precipitation (mm h<sup>-1</sup> hm<sup>-1</sup>)
- lapse rate for air temperature (°C hm<sup>-1</sup>)
- lapse rate for dew temperature (°C hm<sup>-1</sup>)

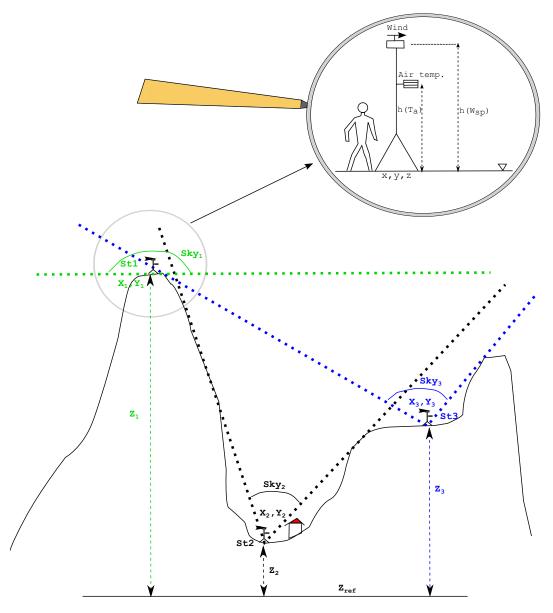


Figure 2.8: Prospect view of meteo station (ST) location in the domain area. X,Y,Z represent the east coordinate, north coordinate and elevation respectively. In the lence is reported a zoom of one meteo station:  $h(T_a)$  and  $h(W_{sp})$  represent the height of the air temperature and wind sensor respectively

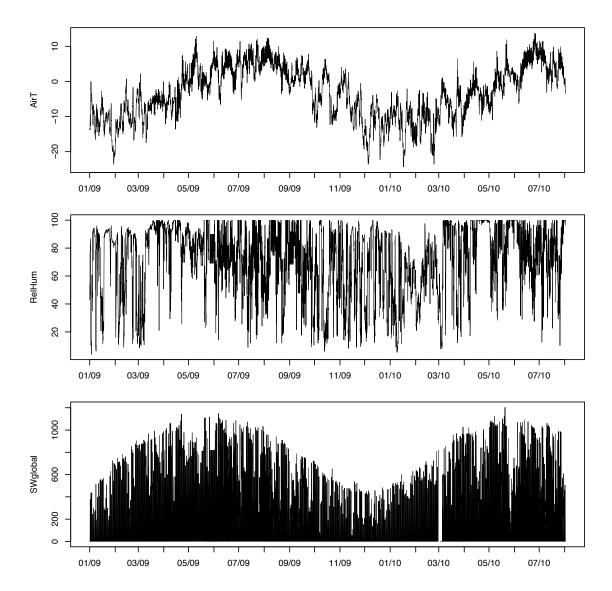


Figure 2.9: Meteo data measured in a meteo station. Top: air temperature (m s $^{-1}$ ); middle: relative humidity (%); bottom: short wave global radiation (W m $^{-2}$ )

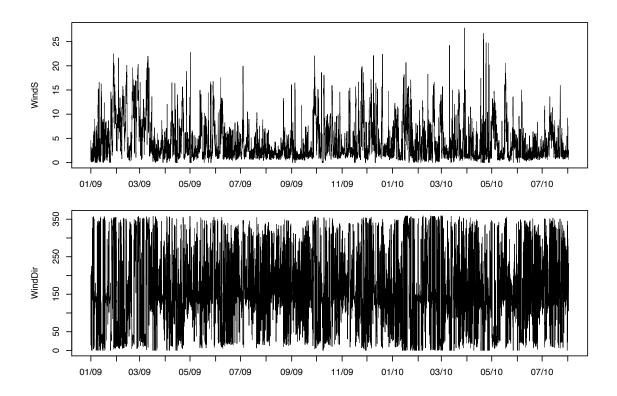


Figure 2.10: Meteo data measured in a meteo station. Top: wind speed (m s  $^{-1}$ ); bottom: wind direction ( $^{\circ}$  N)

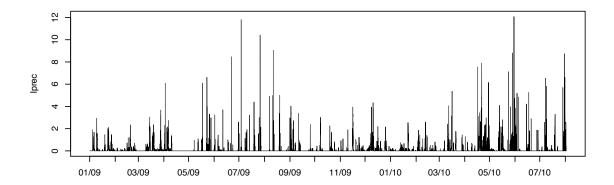


Figure 2.11: Meteo data measured in a meteo station: precipitation intensity (mm  $\,h^{-1}$ )

## **Chapter 3**

## Simulation flow chart

This section is intended to provide a description of the simulation flow chart. In particular, a special focus will be given to the user's point of view (i.e. necessary input to provide and choices to make) when launching a simulation, and to the model point of view (i.e. calculation flow chart).

### 3.1 User point of view

The user that needs to fulfill a set of tasks in order to prepare the input necessary to launch a GEOtop simulation, as reported in Fig. 3.1.

**Set general parameters** The user must define the type of simulation (1D or 3D) and other general input.

**Meteo station characterization** The user must define the position and characteristics of the meteo stations.

**Meteo data** The user must define the meteorological forcing measured in each meteo station.

**Topographic characterization** The user must define the topographical characteristics of the domain area (i.e. elevation, aspect, slope, sky view factor, curvature).

**Land cover characterization** The user must define the surface type characteristics of the domain (often called "land use" or "land cover").

**Soil type characterization** The user must define the soil type characteristics of the domain area (i.e. soil texture, soil water retention curve etc.).

**Initial conditions** The user must define the initial temperature and water content in each cell of the domain.

**Boundary conditions** The user must define the behavior (fluxes) at the border domain.

**Physical parameters** The user must parametrize the various physical processes involved. In particular, the current version of GEOtop allow to specify the parameters typical of the following processes: glacier, snow, vegetation, soil/rock thermal, soil/rock hydraulic and discharge).

Output parameters The user must determine the desired information to be printed and the correspondent frequency.

#### 3.2 1D simulations

Originally GEOtop was born as a hydrological model with the objective to produce maps of hydrological variables in a catchment. Later, thanks to the boost received by the permafrost community, it was adapted also to analyze single points located in extreme topographies. In these points, as outlined in Par. 2.3, for various reasons it may be interesting to produce 1D simulations. In fact 1D simulations are often useful as they allow to obtain results very rapidly and, in some cases, sufficiently reliable.

3. Simulation flow chart 3.2. 1D simulations

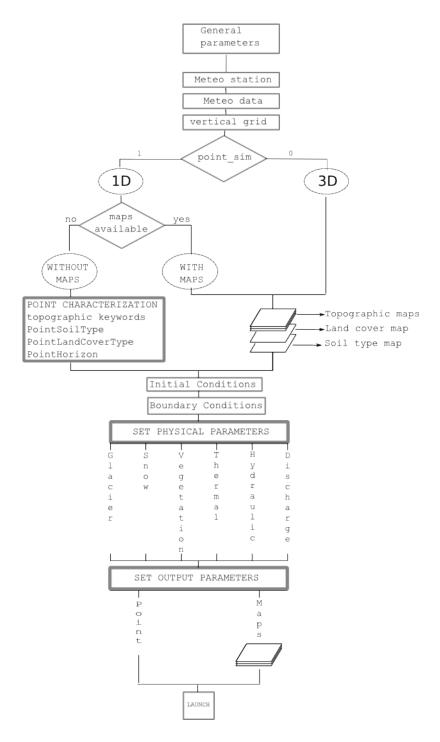


Figure 3.1: GEOtop flow chart: user point of view for preparing a simulation

#### 3.2.1 Point horizon

In order to account for the topography visible by the simulation point, it is recommendable to provide the horizon file of the point. Every point P(x, y, z) on the landscape, unless in the middle of a flat terrain, is surrounded by obstacles like mountains, buildings, trees. These objects, during the day, according to the elevation and position (azimuth) of the sun at a particular time in the year (julian day and day time), may produce a cast shadow on the point P that prevents the point from receiving direct solar radiation. Thanks to proper cameras (e.g. fish-eye camera, see bottom of Fig. 3.1) or to GIS routines, it is possible to produce a file that outlines the angle height of the obstacles along a given azimuth direction. The HorizonPointFile allows to specify the horizon seen

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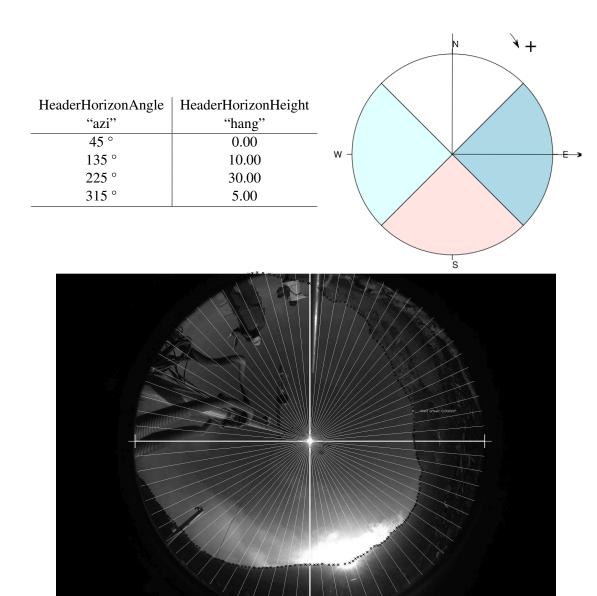


Table 3.1: Top: example of the default horizon file and of the corresponding azimuth classes. An example is given in Par. 4.2. Bottom: example of a fish-eye view from a point (courtesy of Stephan Gruber)

by a point P along a desired discretization of the azimuth. The file structure is thus a matrix whose first column represents the azimuth angle and the second column the elevation angle of the object height. The Table 3.1) reports the horizon file where the azimuth has been discretized in 4 parts. Note that the North direction must always be in the center of the slides in which the circle is divided. It is possible to increase the azimuth classes in order to provide a more detailed description of the obstacles height. The horizon data may be specified in the following cases:

- 1. 1D simulations: since the topography is not provided, the user may provide the horizon file for every simulated point. Unless given, the model creates one assuming an overall flat terrain;
- 2. for meteorological stations: in this case it is needed to set the time when the sun is obscured by the obstacle; from that time onward the cloudiness calculation is no more carried by the ratio between actual and potential radiation, since the actual radiation would no longer provide a reliable value.

3. Simulation flow chart 3.3. Model point of view

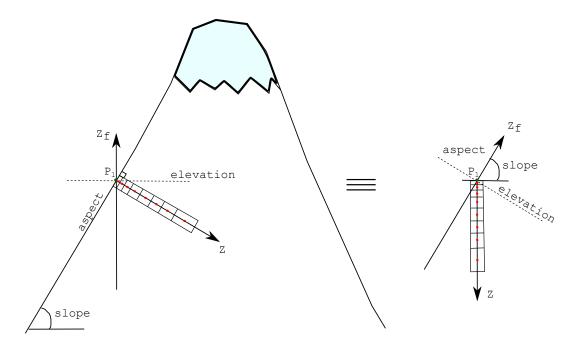


Figure 3.2: Scheme of a 1D simulation on steep topography typical of high mountain altitude

#### 3.2.2 1D simulations: with or without maps

Let us suppose to select five points in the basin (see Fig. 2.6) where we want to run five 1D simulations. First of all it is necessary to provide the coordinates (X, Y) of the points, together with the average latitude and longitude of the area. In addition to that, it necessary to characterize the points by specifying the topography (elevation, aspect, slope, sky view factor, curvatures and the horizon), the soil type and land cover. This last information may be provided in two ways:

- with maps: the topographical, land cover and soil type maps are provided and the model, according to the coordinates of
  the points, automatically sets the topographical characteristics;
- without maps: the user has to specify all the characteristics of the points (e.g. see Table 4.3).

#### 3.2.3 1D simulations in steep topography

The domain scheme of a 1D simulation at steep mountain topography is depicted in Fig. 3.2: the scheme is represented on the left: the axis of elevation  $Z_f$  is on the vertical direction and sets the elevation of the point on the surface, whereas the layers are located normal to the slope. If present, also the slope, aspect and horizon of the point  $P_1$  may be specified. As the 1D representation is just an abstract sequence of layers of various depths located along on an imaginary line, one may think that the final scheme resembles what outlined on the right, where the elevation axis and the line Z axis form an angle complementary to the slope angle. Note that the Z axis does not coincide with the gravitational  $Z_f$  axis.

### 3.3 Model point of view

On the other hand, the model transforms the input given by the user into results, by solving the energy and mass balance in the calculation domain. As reported in Fig. 3.3, at the beginning of the simulation, GEOtop does the following activities:

- 1. **Read input data** In this phase, the model reads: (i) the keywords and parameters specified in *geotop.inpts* and other properly defined files; (ii) the topographic maps (elevation, aspect, slope, sky view factor, curvature), the land cover map (that coincides with the calculation mask), the map of soil type and, if available, the maps of initial conditions; (iii) reads the parameters (physical and output). If a parameter or a map is not specified with the proper keyword, it assumes the default value.
- **2. Create and initialize mesh** As reported in Par. 2.1, it creates the calculation mesh according to the grid size of the land cover map and the vertical nodes spacing defined for the vertical grid. Then it initializes the temperature and water pressure head of each node with the initial conditions and sets the physical parameters according to what specified by the keywords.

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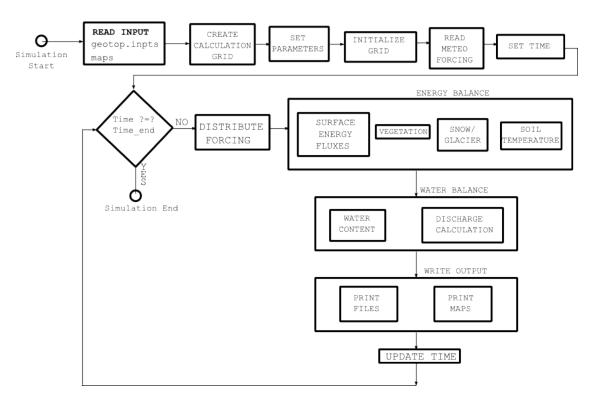


Figure 3.3: GEOtop flow chart: model point of view for accomplishing a simulation

**3. Read meteo data** During this phase it incorporates the meteorological data for each meteo station: these data represent the forcing that will drive the simulation, producing the dynamic boundary conditions for the surface nodes. Finally, GEOtop sets the initial simulation time to initialize the simulation counter: this will allow to compare the current simulation time with the expected simulation end time.

At this point begins the time loop for the calculation and the printing routines. In particular, at each calculation time step, GEOtop fulfills the following tasks:

- **1. Distribute meteorological forcing** This allows to spatially distribute the meteorological forcing, measured in discrete meteo station, in all the calculation cells. This methodology is based on **LISTON**.
- **2. Energy balance** In this phase the energy balance equation is solved. This encompasses the calculation of the surface energy fluxes, the vegetation module, the snow/glacier module and the routine the calculates the soil temperatures and ice content.
- **3. Water balance** In this phase the mass balance equation is solved. This encompasses the calculation of the infiltration routine to determine the pore water pressure and water content through a 3D Richards solver. Eventually, the runoff and channel routing routines, based on a shallow-water solver, will allow to determine the discharge at the basin outlet.
- **4.** Write output This phase is intended to print the point information and the maps according to the desired output frequency.
- **5. Update and check time** This phase updates the time with the calculation time step and compares the new time with the simulation end time, to verify whether to stop the simulation or loop again. If the current simulation time SUPERA the end of the simulation, then the program stops and deallocates all the structures.

### 3.4 How to Run GEOtop

#### 3.4.1 From Terminal

Open a terminal, go into the folder Debug by typing:

\$ cd Debug

Write:

\$ ./GEOtop1.2

Leave one space and type now the path to the folder where the simulation files are:

\$./GEOtop\_1.2 /Users/matteo/Duron/

Remember to put a"/" (slash) at the end and the type Return. The simulation should start.

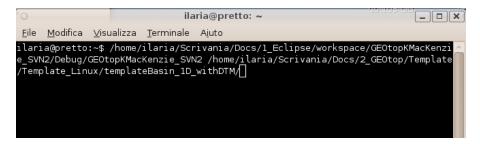


Figure 3.4: SVN

```
ilaria@pretto: ~
                                                                                                                                    <u>F</u>ile <u>M</u>odifica <u>V</u>isualizza <u>T</u>erminale A<u>i</u>uto
19/6/2009 18:53 JD:169.786458 (10^ simulation day) 97.81% completed! 19/6/2009 19:53 JD:169.828125 (10^ simulation day) 98.23% completed! 19/6/2009 20:52 JD:169.869792 (10^ simulation day) 98.65% completed! 19/6/2009 21:53 JD:169.911458 (10^ simulation day) 99.06% completed! 19/6/2009 22:53 JD:169.953125 (10^ simulation day) 99.48% completed!
19/6/2009 23:52 JD:169.994792 (10^ simulation day) 99.90% completed!
SW=180.317978 W/m2 LW=-107.845006 W/m2 H= 49.50 W/m2 LE= 23.11 W/m2
 Prain= 31.35 mm Psnow= 0.00 mm Rout= 0.00 mm/h
 Max Error Richards=-0.000000000238894972 mm/h
Deallocating top
Deallocating sl
 eallocating land
Deallocating water
Deallocating channel network
Deallocating egy
Deallocating snow
Deallocating glacier
Deallocating met
 eallocating par
 eallocating files
 Deallocating UV
End of simulation!
 laria@pretto:~$
```

Figure 3.5: SVN

## **Chapter 4**

# I/O scheme: the keywords

GEOtop Input/Output (I/O) scheme is based on the keyword concept. Each parameter, concerning physical processes, output personalization, domain discretization and initial/boundary condition, is described by a keyword. The keywords may be classified according to the dimension (scalar or vector), type (numerical or string) and meaning (physical or boolean), as described in the Table 4.1.

	Scalar	Vector		
<b>Dimension</b> it refers to a single value, valid for the whole		it refers to more classes, layers or simulations.		
	basin and during the entire simulation	The vectors are composed just by numerical		
		values (not strings).		
	Numerical	String		
Type	it is used to assign parameters	it is used to define maps, files or headers		
	Physical	Boolean		
Meaning	it is used to assign physical parameters	it is used to choose or reject an option in the		
		parameterization process		

Table 4.1: Keywords classification

The keywords may be used to describe both the input data and the output personalization. In particular, the keywords identify the following types:

- 1. parameters: they may be physical parameters, option parameters or output personalization;
- 2. **files**: they refer to input files, containing physical parameters, and output files containing the simulation results;
- 3. **maps**: they refer both to input maps, describing topographic features or soil characterization, and to output maps containing the simulation results;
- 4. **tensor**: they refer both to output maps containing the simulation results in each layer, or at specified depths, producing a 3D map:
- 5. **headers**: they refer to the column name of an input parameter or to the column name of an output result.

### 4.1 Keywords syntax

The main file where the keywords are defined is *geotop.inpts*. In this file, each line beginning with the character "!" is considered a comment, and therefore the following characters in the line won't be read.

```
! THIS IS a comment
```

In order to assign a value to the keyword, it is necessary to use the (character "="):

```
TimeStepEnergyAndWater = 3600
```

This instruction orders the model to assign 3600 to the keyword *TimeStepEnergyAndWater*. It is possible to assign a keyword a vector of numerical values by separating the components by the character ",".

4.1. Keywords syntax

```
SoilLayerThicknesses=10, 15, 30, 50
```

This instruction assigns the keyword *SoilLayerThicknesses* a vector composed by 4 elements, namely: 10, 15, 30 and 50. It is not possible to assign a keyword a vector of strings.

#### 4.1.1 Keywords definition

#### Readable characters

The numbers, the lower and upper case letters, the characters ".", "-", "+", "/", ":", "[", "\", "]", " $\wedge$ ", ".", and the separator characters will be referred to as "readable characters". All the other characters, except for the assignation character ("=") and the vector separator character (","), are not even read.

#### Strings or numerical keywords

The criterion used to distinguish whether an assignation is a string or numerical (be it single value or vector) is based on the **first readable character** after the field separator "=", as explained in Table 4.2. As a consequence, it is not possible to assign string parameters that begin with a number or "+", "-", "." (except ".."), because they will be considered numerical. Furthermore, the upper case letters are automatically converted in lower case, therefore all string keywords and parameters result to be case insensitive.

First character indicating a	First character indicating a
string keyword	numerical keyword
"p"	"+"
	"_"
"["	"E"
"\"	"e"
"]"	"." (decimal separator)
"∧"	numbers
"·"··	
letters	
numbers	

Table 4.2: Character classification for strings and numerical

#### This means that the command lines:

```
TimeStepEnergyAndWater = 3600
```

#### and the command line:

In order to assign a value to the keyword, it is necessary to use the (character "="):

```
TimeStepEnergyAndWater = 3 this is the first figure 6 bla bla 0 micio bau 0 polenta
```

are actually equivalent, provided the first readable character is a number or "+", "-", "." In addition, since the string are actually case insensitive, the command lines:

```
TimeStepEnergyAndWater = 3600
Time step energy and water = 3600
```

are also equivalent.

#### 4.1.2 Dates and time

The dates in GEOtop are considered numerical parameters and are expressed in the "date12" format, namely using 12 figures as DDMMYYYYhhmm, where D = day, M = month, Y = year, h = hour (in 24 hours format). It is necessary to use 2 figures (not only one) for the minute, hours, month, and 4 figures for the year, otherwise the date will be misunderstood. An exception is made for the day which may also be represented by one figure. Since within a numerical value parameter, the characters different from numbers, "+", "-", ".", and separators are not readable, provided they are not the first character, it is also possible to express the date12 format as DD/MM/YYYY hh:mm or DD MM YYYY hh mm, but not as DD-MM-YYYY hh:mm because "-" makes changes to the meaning of a numerical value.

### 4.2 Keywords properties

The way the keyword are assigned is based on the following assumptions:

**self explanatory** The keyword is generally a "composed word" that aims at explaining its meaning just through the words that constitute it.

For example the keyword: *TimeStepEnergyAndWater* describes the calculation time step for the energy and water balance equations. The keyword: *SoilLayerThicknesses* outlines the layer thickness of the soil discretization.

**tacit** If not displayed, the parameter the keyword refers to will be initialized by the default value. Few parameters are mandatory (it will be remarked when this is the case), while most of them are not necessary to be assigned, and the corresponding line can be skipped or commented. The mandatory parameters are:

- Latitude
- Longitude
- integration time step for energy and water balance equation TimeStepEnergyAndWater
- Date and time of the simulation start in date12 format InitDateDDMMYYYYhhmm
- Date and time of the simulation end in date12 format EndDateDDMMYYYYhhmm

conservative The keywords allow to define the output files, maps and variables to be printed.

Only the output variables, maps and files that have been declared by the proper keyword will be printed in order to save memory and to keep the output simple.

For example, if one is interested in printing the incoming, outgoing and net shortwave radiation in a simulation point, may specify:

In this way two output files will be created: "point.txt" (associated to the keyword *PointOutputFileWriteEnd*) and the file "soil-Tave.txt" associated to the keyword *SoilAveragedTempProfileFileWriteEnd*. The file "point.txt" will contain the results associated to the desired keywords at the specified column, i.e. the variable associated to the keyword *SWupPoint* will be printed in the column n. 2. Eventually, in case one wants to personalize the name of a output variable, it is necessary to flag the keyowrd *DefaultPoint=0* and then to specify the output keywords headers:

```
!------
! POINT OUTPUT HEADER
!-----
```

```
DefaultPoint = 0
HeaderDatePoint = "date"
HeaderSWupPoint = "SW out"
HeaderSWinPoint = "SW in"
HeaderSWNetPoint = "SW net"
```

In case one wanted to print the average temperatures of the soil:

In this case the file "soilTave.txt" will be produced, containing the temperatures at each layer. If one wanted to have the temperatures calculated at specified depths, one should write:

In this case the file will contain the temperatures at 0.1, 0.5, 1.0 and 2.0 m.

**self learning** If the keyword represents a vector of length "l" and the input consists in a vector of length "m" with m < l, then the successive l - m elements will be initialized equal to the element "l". For example, the keywords:

```
SoilLayerNumber=10
SoilLayerThicknesses=10, 15, 30, 50
InitSoilTemp=2

are interpreted as:

SoilLayerNumber=10
SoilLayerThicknesses=10, 15, 30, 50, 50, 50, 50, 50, 50
InitSoilTemp=2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2
```

**organization** The keywords may be assigned in the *geotop.inpts* file or in external files defined by proper keywords, in order to ease the organization of input. The keywords may also identify the name of files and headers to improve the output visualization. For example, let us assume to run a 1D simulation on eight points whose topographical and horizon (see Par. 3.2.1) characteristics are defined in Table 4.3.

Point	Elevation	Slope (°)	Aspect (° N)	Horizon file
	(m a.s.l.)			
1	1600	10	0	1
2	2100	10	0	2
3	1600	30	0	1
4	2100	30	0	2
5	1600	10	180	1
6	2100	10	180	2
7	1600	30	180	1
8	2100	30	180	2

Table 4.3: Topographical characteristics of the simulation points

In order to provide these characteristics, one has two options. In the first option, one uses only the geotop.inpts file:

```
HorizonPointFile= "horfile"
HeaderHorizonAngle = "azi"
HeaderHorizonHeight = "hang"
PointElevation = 1600, 2100, 1600, 2100, 1600, 2100, 1600, 2100
PointSlope = 10, 30, 10, 30, 10, 30, 10, 30
PointAspect = 0, 180, 0, 180, 0, 180, 0, 180
PointHorizon = 1, 2, 1, 2, 1, 2, 1, 2
```

where the *HorizonPointFile* becomes (see Table 3.1):

```
azi, hang
45, 0
135, 10
225, 30
315, 5
```

Alternatively, in order to ease the comprehension, especially when the number of simulation points is high, one could define an external file (*PointFile*) containing the features of the points, where the name of the columns has been defined in *geotop.inpts* in the proper "header" keywords. This would result in:

```
HorizonPointFile = "horfile"
PointFile = "listpoints"
HeaderPointElevation = "ele"
HeaderPointSlope = "slp"
HeaderPointAspect = "asp"
HeaderPointHorizon = "hor"
HeaderHorizonAngle="azi"
HeaderHorizonHeight="hang"
```

and the correspondent *PointFile* would result in:

```
ID, ele, slp, asp, hor
1, 1600, 10, 0, 1
2, 2100, 30, 180, 2
3, 1600, 10, 0, 1
4, 2100, 30, 180, 2
5, 1600, 10, 0, 1
6, 2100, 30, 180, 2
7, 1600, 10, 0, 1
8, 2100, 30, 180, 2
```

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## **Chapter 5**

## 1D: domain definition and characterization

As pointed out in Fig. 3.1, the 1D simulation may defined in two ways:

- 1. with maps: in this case the user must provide also the topographical maps together with the land cover, the soil type and, if present, the initial conditions maps. Furthermore, the user must give in input also the coordinates of the simulation points (see Fig. 2.6 and 2.7). The model automatically extrapolates the information on the give points through the provided maps;
- 2. without maps: in this case, the user must provide all the necessary information about the topography, land cover and soil type of the simulation points.

In both cases the domain discretization along the Z coordinate (Fig. 2.3 on the right) must be properly defined as described in Table 5.1.

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca /	Str/Num
				Value	Vec	/ Opt
SoilLayerThicknesses	vector defining the thickness of the various soil layers. If not present, a column of 5 layers 100 mm thick will be assumed	mm		100	vec	num
SoilLayerNumber	number of soil layers (is calculated after the number of components of the vector SoilLayerNumber)	-		5	sca	num

Table 5.1: Keywords of parameters referred to soil layer

## **5.1** Without maps

#### **Parameters**

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca /	Log /
				Value	Vec	Num
PointLandCoverType	Land Cover type of the	-		NA	vec	num
	simulation point					
PointSoilType	Soil type of the simula-	-		NA	vec	num
	tion point					
PointElevation	elevation of the point of	m a.s.l.		NA	vec	num
	simulation					
PointSlope	Slope steepness of the	degree		NA	vec	num
	simulation point					
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Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Log / Num
PointAspect	Aspect of the simulation point	degree		NA	vec	num
PointSkyViewFactor	Sky View Factor of the simulation point	-		NA	vec	num
PointCurvatureNorthSouthDirection	N-S curvature of the simulation point	$\mathrm{m}^{-1}$		NA	vec	num
PointCurvatureWestEastDirection	W-E curvature of the simulation point	$\mathrm{m}^{-1}$		NA	vec	num
PointCurvatureNorthwestSoutheastDirection	N-W curvature of the simulation point	$\mathrm{m}^{-1}$		NA	vec	num
PointCurvatureNortheastSouthwestDirection	N-E curvature of the simulation point	$\mathrm{m}^{-1}$		NA	vec	num
PointDrainageLateralDistance	Lateral Drainage distance of the simulation point	m		NA	vec	num
PointLatitude	Latitude of the simulation point	degree		NA	vec	num
PointLongitude	Longitude of the simulation point	degree		NA	vec	num
PointHorizon	number of the Horizon- PointFile that describes the horizon of the simu- lation point	-		NA	vec	num

Table 5.2: Keywords of topographical, land cover and soil type characteristics that may be set in geotop.inpts. Each parameter may be give in input as a vector, each component representing a point. Otherwise the characteristics may be summarized in the file PointFile, each value corresponding to the proper header defined in Table 5.8.

#### **Files**

Keyword	Description
PointFile	name of the file providing the properties for the simulation point
HorizonPointFile	name of the file providing the horizon of the simulation point

Table 5.3: Keywords of files related to soil/rock spatial characterization for 1D simulation

#### Headers

Keyword	Description	Associated file
HeaderHorizonAngle	String representing the header of the column	HorizonPoint /
	HorizonAngle of the HorizonPoint and Hori-	HorizonMeteo-
	zonMeteoStation files	Station
HeaderHorizonHeight	String representing the header of the column	HorizonPoint /
	HorizonHeight of the HorizonPoint and Hori-	HorizonMeteo-
	zonMeteoStation files	Station
HeaderPointElevation	column name in the file PointFile for the eleva-	PointFile
	tion of the point	
HeaderPointSlope	column name in the file PointFile for the slope	PointFile
	steepness of the point	
	continued on next page	

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Keyword	Description	Associated file		
HeaderPointAspect	column name in the file PointFile for the aspect	PointFile		
	of the point			
HeaderPointSkyViewFactor	column name in the file PointFile for the sky	PointFile		
	view factor of the point			
HeaderPointCurvatureNorthSouthDirection	column name in the file PointFile for the N-S	PointFile		
	curvature of the point			
HeaderPointCurvatureWestEastDirection	column name in the file PointFile for the E-W	PointFile		
	curvature of the point			
Header Point Curvature Northwest Southeast Direction	column name in the file PointFile for the NW-	PointFile		
	SE curvature of the point			
Header Point Curvature Northeast Southwest Direction	column name in the file PointFile for the NE-	PointFile		
	SW curvature of the point			
HeaderPointDrainageLateralDistance	column name in the file PointFile for the dis-	PointFile		
	tance of lateral drainage			
HeaderPointHorizon	column name in the file PointFile that provides	PointFile		
	the number of the HorizonPointFile that de-			
	scribes the horizon of the simulation point			
HeaderPointLatitude	column name in the file PointFile for the lati-	PointFile		
	tude of the point			
HeaderPointLongitude	column name in the file PointFile for the longi-	PointFile		
	tude of the point			
HeaderPointID	column name in the file PointFile for the identi-	PointFile		
	fication ID of the point			
HeaderCoordinatePointX	column name in the file PointFile for the x co-	PointFile		
	ordinate of the point			
HeaderCoordinatePointY	column name in the file PointFile for the y co-	PointFile		
	ordinate of the point			

Table 5.4: Keywords of headers that specify the soil/rock spatial characterization for 1D simulation

## 5.2 With maps

## Maps

Keyword	Description
DemFile	name of the file providing the DEM map
SkyViewFactorMapFile	name of the file providing the sky view factor map
SlopeMapFile	name of the file providing the slope steepness map
RiverNetwork	name of the file providing the river network map
AspectMapFile	name of the file providing the aspect map
CurvaturesMapFile	name of the file providing the curvature map
LandCoverMapFile	name of the file providing the land cover map
SoilMapFile	name of the file providing the soil map

Table 5.5: Keywords of input file related to the domain

#### **Files**

Keyword	Description
PointFile	name of the file providing the properties for the simulation point

Table 5.6: Keyword of the file related to the spatial characterization of soil/rock properties. The parameters identified by the row index represent the value corresponding to the SoilMapFile map.

### **Parameters**

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Log / Num
PointID	identification code for the point of simulation			NA	vec	num
CoordinatePointX	coordinate X if PixelCoordinates is 1, number of row of the matrix if PixelCoordinates is 0	m (according to the geographical projec- tion of the maps)		NA	vec	num
CoordinatePointY	coordinate Y if PixelCoordinates is 1, number of column of the matrix if PixelCoordinates is 1	m (according to the geographical projec- tion of the maps)		NA	vec	num
Latitude	Average latitude of the basin, positive means north, negative means south	degree	-90, 90	45	sca	num
Longitude	Average longitude of the basin, eastwards from 0 meridiane	degree	0, 180	0	sca	num

Table 5.7: Keywords of point characterization for the choice of points where to perform a 1D simulation

#### **Headers**

Keyword	Description	Associated file
HeaderPointID	column name in the file PointFile for the identification ID of the	PointFile
	point	
HeaderCoordinatePointX	column name in the file PointFile for the x coordinate of the	PointFile
	point	
HeaderCoordinatePointY	column name in the file PointFile for the y coordinate of the	PointFile
	point	

Table 5.8: Keywords of headers that specify the soil/rock spatial characterization for 1D simulation

## 3D: domain definition and characterization

### 6.1 Planar domain definition

Keyword	Description
DemFile	name of the file providing the DEM map
LandCoverMapFile	name of the file providing the land cover map

Table 6.1: Keywords of input file related to the domain

### 6.2 Z-coordinate domain definition

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca /	Str/Num
				Value	Vec	/ Opt
SoilLayerThicknesses	vector defining the thickness of the	mm		100	vec	num
	various soil layers. If not present, a					
	column of 5 layers 100 mm thick will					
	be assumed					
SoilLayerNumber	number of soil layers (is calculated	-		5	sca	num
	after the number of components of					
	the vector SoilLayerNumber)					

Table 6.2: Keywords of parameters referred to soil layer

## **6.3** Topographical characterization

Keyword	Description
SkyViewFactorMapFile	name of the file providing the sky view factor map
SlopeMapFile	name of the file providing the slope steepness map
RiverNetwork	name of the file providing the river network map
AspectMapFile	name of the file providing the aspect map
CurvaturesMapFile	name of the file providing the curvature map
BedrockDepthMapFile	name of the file providing the bedrock depth map

Table 6.3: Keywords of input maps necessary to launch the 3D simulation

### 6.4 Land cover and soil depth characterization

Keyword	Description
LandCoverMapFile	name of the file providing the land cover map
SoilMapFile	name of the file providing the soil map

Table 6.4: Keywords of input maps necessary to launch the 3D simulation

Each land cover type may be characterized by parameters that define the influence on vegetation, soil surface and snow. Each soil type may be further described in the file *PointFile* (see Table 6.5) where each row index represents the value corresponding to the *SoilMapFile* map.

Keyword	Description
PointFile	name of the file providing the properties for the simulation point

Table 6.5: Keyword of the file related to the spatial characterization of soil/rock properties. The parameters identified by the row index represent the value corresponding to the SoilMapFile map.

It is also requested to provide a definition of the average latitude and longitude of the domain area, as specified in Table 6.8.

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Log / Num
Latitude	Average latitude of the basin, positive means north, negative means south	degree	-90, 90	45	sca	num
Longitude	Average longitude of the basin, eastwards from 0 meridiane	degree	0, 180	0	sca	num

Table 6.6: Keyword of parameters describing the point characterization for 3D simulations

### 6.5 Output

It is possible to define some points where to obtain output information, as described in Par. 2.3. The parameters and headers to provide are specified in Table 6.7 and 6.8 respectively.

Keyword	Description	Associated file
HeaderPointID	column name in the file PointFile	PointFile
	for the identification ID of the point	
HeaderCoordinatePointX	column name in the file PointFile	PointFile
	for the x coordinate of the point	
HeaderCoordinatePointY	column name in the file PointFile	PointFile
	for the y coordinate of the point	

Table 6.7: Keywords of header that specify the soil/rock spatial characterization for 3D simulation

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca /	Log /
				Value	Vec	Num
PointID	identification code for the point			NA	vec	num
	of simulation					
CoordinatePointX	coordinate X if PixelCoordinates	m (according to the		NA	vec	num
	is 1, number of row of the matrix	geographical projec-				
	if PixelCoordinates is 0	tion of the maps)				
CoordinatePointY	coordinate Y if PixelCoordinates	m (according to the		NA	vec	num
	is 1, number of column of the ma-	geographical projec-				
	trix if PixelCoordinates is 1	tion of the maps)				

Table 6.8: Keywords of point characterization for the choice of point outputs in 3D simulations

## **General features**

## **7.1 Input**

### 7.1.1 File

Keyword	Description
TimeStepsFile	name of the file providing the integration time steps

Table 7.1: Keyword of file related to general input

### 7.1.2 Parameters

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Log / Num
FlagSkyViewFactor	If not present, the sky view factor can be calculated (=1), or just be considered only equal to 1 (=0)	-	0, 1	0	sca	opt
TimeStepEnergyAndWater	Integrations time step [s] for energy and water balance equation (mandatory)	S	0, inf	NA	vec	num
InitDateDDMMYYYYhhmm	Date and time of the simulation start in date12 format (manda- tory)	format DDM- MYY- hhmm	01/01/1800 00:00, 01/01/2500 00:00	NA	vec	str
EndDateDDMMYYYYhhmm	Date and time of the simulation start in date12 format (manda- tory)	format DDM- MYY- hhmm	01/01/1800 00:00, 01/01/2500 00:00	NA	vec	str
NumSimulationTimes	How many times the simulation is run (if $>1$ , it uses the final condition as initial conditions of the new simulation)	-	0, inf	1	vec	num
StandardTimeSimulation	Standard time to which all the output data are referred (difference respect UMT, in hours): GMT + x [h]	h	0, 12	0	sca	num
PointSim	Point simulation (=1), distributed simulation (=0)	-	0, 1	0	sca	opt
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Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Log / Num
RecoverSim	Simulation recovered (=number of saving point you want to start from), otherwise (=0)	-	0, 1	0	sca	opt
WaterBalance	Activate water balance (Yes=1, No=0)	-		0	sca	opt
EnergyBalance	Activate energy balance (Yes=1, No=0)			0	sca	opt
PixelCoordinates	Write 1 IF ALL point coordinates are in format (East, North) in meter, or if in format row and colums (r,c) of the dem map	-		1	sca	opt
SavingPoints		-		NA	vec	num
SoilLayerTypes	Number of types of soil types, corresponding to different soil stratigraphies	-		1	sca	num
DefaultSoilTypeLand	given a multiple number of type of soil, this relates to the default given to the land type type	-		1	sca	num
DefaultSoilTypeChannel	given a multiple number of type of soil, this relates to the default given to the channel type	-		1	sca	num

Table 7.2: Keywords for the general parameters settable in geotop.inpts

## 7.2 Output

### 7.2.1 Maps parameters

escription	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Log / Num
ormat of the output maps (=2 grass cii, =3 esri ascii)	-	2, 3	3	sca	opt
	mat of the output maps (=2 grass i, =3 esri ascii)	1 1 0		mat of the output maps (=2 grass - 2, 3 3	mat of the output maps (=2 grass - 2, 3 3 sca

Table 7.3: Keywords of general parameters regarding output options that may be set in geotop.inpts

# **Meteo Forcing**

## 8.1 Input

### **8.1.1** Files

Keyword	Description
MeteoFile	name of the file providing the meteo forcing data
MeteoStationsListFile	name of the file providing the Meteo Station list
LapseRateFile	name of the file providing the Lapse rate
HorizonMeteoStationFile	name of the file providing the horizon of the meteo station

Table 8.1: Keywords of files related to meterological forcing

### 8.1.2 Parameters for meteo station

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca	File
				Value	/Vec	
MeteoStationsID	Identification code	-		NA	vec	MeteoStationsListFiles
	for the meteo sta-					
	tion					
NumberOfMeteoStations	MeteoStations	-		1	sca	MeteoStationsListFiles
	ListFilesber of soil					
	Meteo Stations (is					
	calculated after the					
	number of compo-					
	nents of the vector					
	NumberOfMeteo-					
	Stations)					
MeteoStationCoordinateX	coordinate X of the	m		NA	vec	MeteoStationsListFiles
	meteo station					
MeteoStationCoordinateY	coordinate Y of the	m		NA	vec	MeteoStationsListFiles
	meteo station					
MeteoStationLatitude	Latitude of the me-	degree		Latitude	vec	MeteoStationsListFiles
	teo station					
MeteoStationLongitude	Longitude of the	degree		Longitude	vec	MeteoStationsListFiles
	meteo station					
MeteoStationElevation	Latitude of the me-	m		0	vec	MeteoStationsListFiles
	teo station	a.s.l.				
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Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca /Vec	File
MeteoStationSkyViewFactor	Sky view factor of the meteo station	-		1	vec	MeteoStationsListFiles
MeteoStationStandardTime	Time difference of the meteo records with respect to Greenwich Meridiam Time (GMT). Note that the CET, Central European Time, is GMT+1 for Standard Time and GMT+2 for Summer Time	h		Standard Time Simula- tion	vec	MeteoStationsListFiles
MeteoStationWindVelocitySensorHeight	Height of the wind velocity sensor of the meteo station	m a.g.l		10	vec	MeteoStationsListFiles
MeteoStationTemperatureSensorHeight	Height of the air temperature sensor of the meteo sta- tion	m a.g.l		2	vec	MeteoStationsListFiles

Table 8.2: Keywords for the description of the meteorological station. All values are numeric. Note that m a.s.l. stands for meters above the sea level and m a.g.l. stands for meters above the ground level.

### 8.1.3 Headers for meteo station

Keyword	Description	Associated file	type (file,
			header)
HeaderIDMeteoStation	column name in the file MeteoFile	MeteoFile	header
HeaderMeteoStationCoordinateX	column name in the file MeteoFile	MeteoFile	header
HeaderMeteoStationCoordinateY	column name in the file MeteoFile	MeteoFile	header
HeaderMeteoStationLatitude	column name in the file MeteoFile	MeteoFile	header
HeaderMeteoStationLongitude	column name in the file MeteoFile	MeteoFile	header
HeaderMeteoStationElevation	column name in the file MeteoFile	MeteoFile	header
HeaderMeteoStationSkyViewFactor	column name in the file MeteoFile	MeteoFile	header
HeaderMeteoStationStandardTime	column name in the file MeteoFile	MeteoFile	header

Table 8.3: Keywords of headers that specify the meteo station characteristics

### 8.1.4 Parameters for meteo forcing

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca /	Associated	
				Value	Vec	file	
Vmin	Minimum wind velocity (too low wind speeds may create numerical problems)	m s <sup>-1</sup>	0, 100	0.5	sca	geotop.inpts	
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Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca /	Associated	
				Value	Vec	fie	
RHmin	Minimum relative humidity (too low	%	0, 100	10	sca	geotop.inpts	
	relative humidities may create numer-						
	ical problems)						
RainCorrFactor	correction factor precipitated rain	-	1,2	1	sca	geotop.inpts	
LapseRateTemp	Lapse rate of air temperature with el-	°C km <sup>-1</sup>		NA	vec	LapseRate	
	evation					File	
LapseRateDewTemp	Lapse rate of dew temperature with el-	°C km <sup>-1</sup>		NA	vec	LapseRate	
	evation					File	
LapseRatePrec	Lapse rate of precipitation with eleva-	${\rm mm}{\rm h}^{-1}{\rm km}^{-1}$		NA	vec	LapseRate	
	tion					File	

Table 8.4: Keywords for the description of the meteorological data. All values are numeric.

### 8.1.5 Headers for meteo forcing

Each meteo variable must be identified by a header in the *MeteoFile* and the header name may be identified by the keywords specified in Table 8.5.

Keyword	Description	Associated file	M.U. of the data
HeaderDateDDMMYYYYhhmmMeteo	column name in the file MeteoFile	MeteoFile	DD/MM/YYYY
	for the variable DateDDMMYYY-		hh:mm
	hhmmMeteo		
HeaderJulianDayfrom0Meteo	column name in the file MeteoFile	MeteoFile	day
	for the variable julian day from 0		
HeaderIPrec	column name in the file MeteoFile	MeteoFile	${ m mm~h^{-1}}$
	for the variable precipitation		
HeaderWindVelocity	column name in the file MeteoFile	MeteoFile	$\mathrm{m}\mathrm{s}^{-1}$
	for the variable wind speed		
HeaderWindDirection	column name in the file MeteoFile	MeteoFile	°N
	for the variable wind direction		
HeaderWindX	column name in the file MeteoFile	MeteoFile	$\mathrm{m}\mathrm{s}^{-1}$
	for the variable wind X		
HeaderWindY	column name in the file MeteoFile	MeteoFile	$\mathrm{m}\mathrm{s}^{-1}$
	for the variable wind Y		
HeaderRH	column name in the file MeteoFile	MeteoFile	%
	for the variable Relative humidity		
HeaderAirTemp	column name in the file MeteoFile	MeteoFile	°C
•	for the variable Air Temperature		
HeaderDewTemp	column name in the file MeteoFile	MeteoFile	°C
	for the variable Dew temperature		
HeaderAirPress	column name in the file MeteoFile	MeteoFile	mbar
	for the variable Air Pressure		
HeaderSWglobal	column name in the file MeteoFile	MeteoFile	$\mathrm{W}\mathrm{m}^{-2}$
	for the variable SW global		
HeaderSWdirect	column name in the file MeteoFile	MeteoFile	$\mathrm{W}~\mathrm{m}^{-2}$
	for the variable Swdirect		
HeaderSWdiffuse	column name in the file MeteoFile	MeteoFile	$\mathrm{W}~\mathrm{m}^{-2}$
	for the variable Swdiffuse		
HeaderCloudSWTransmissivity	column name in the file MeteoFile	MeteoFile	-
-	for the variable transmissivity of		
	SW through cloud		
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Keyword	Description	Associated file	M.U. of the data
HeaderCloudFactor	column name in the file MeteoFile for the variable cloud factor	MeteoFile	-
HeaderLWin	column name in the file MeteoFile for the variable LW in	MeteoFile	$ m W~m^{-2}$
HeaderSWnet	column name in the file MeteoFile for the variable SW net	MeteoFile	$\mathrm{W}~\mathrm{m}^{-2}$
HeaderDateDDMMYYYYhhmmLapseRates	column name in the file LapseRate- File for the variable Date	LapseRateFile	DD/MM/YYYY hh:mm
HeaderLapseRateTemp	column name in the file LapseRate- File for the variable air temperature	LapseRateFile	see LapseR- ateTemp
HeaderLapseRateDewTemp	column name in the file LapseRate- File for the variable dew tempera- ture	LapseRateFile	see LapseRat- eDewTemp
HeaderLapseRatePrec	column name in the file LapseRate- File for the variable precipitation	LapseRateFile	see LapseR- atePrec

Table 8.5: Headers of meteorological forcing (meteo data - character)

## 8.2 Spatial distribution of meteorological forcing

### 8.2.1 Parameters

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca /	Num /
				Value	Vec	Opt
Iobsint	Let Micromet determine an appropriate	-		1	sca	opt
	"radius of influence" (=0), or define the					
	"radius of influence" you want the model					
	to use (=1). 1=use obs interval below,					
	0=use model generated interval.					
Dn	The "radius of influence" or "observa-	-		1	sca	num
	tion interval" you want the model to use					
	for the interpolation. In units of deltax,					
	deltay.					
SlopeWeight	Weight assigned to the slope (as tangent	-	0 - 1	0	sca	num
	when it is $<1$ ) in the spatial distribution					
	of the wind speed					
CurvatureWeight	Weight assigned to the curvature (as sec-	-		0	sca	num
	ond derivative of the topographic surface)					
	in the spatial distribution of the wind					
	speed. Valid slope and curve weights val-					
	ues are between 0 and 1, with values of					
	0.5 giving approximately equal weight to					
	slope and curvature. The suggestion is					
	that slopewt and curvewt be set such that					
	slopewt + curvewt = $1.0$ . This will limit					
	the total wind weight to between 0.5 and					
	1.5 (this is not stricktly required)					
SlopeWeightD				0	sca	num
CurvatureWeightD				0	sca	num
SlopeWeightI				0	sca	num
CurvatureWeightI				0	sca	num
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Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Scalar	Num /
				Value	/	Opt
					Vector	

Table 8.6: Table of spatial distribution method parameters (numeric)

## 8.3 Output

### 8.3.1 **Point**

### File

Keyword	Description
PointOutputFile	name of the output file providing the Point values
PointOutputFileWriteEnd	name of the output file providing the Point values writ-
	ten just once at the end

Table 8.7: Keywords of output files to visualize meteorological forcing on the simulation points

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Log / Num
DefaultPoint	0: use personal setting (see Table of	-	0, 1	1	sca	opt
	headers), 1:use default headers					
DtPlotPoint	Plotting Time step (in hour) of the out-	h	0, inf	0	vec	num
	put for specified grid points (0 means					
	the it is not plotted)					
DatePoint	column number in which one	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	would like to visualize the					
	Date12[DDMMYYYY hhmm]					
JulianDayFromYear0Point	column number in which one	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	would like to visualize the Julian-					
	DayFromYear0[days]					
TimeFromStartPoint	column number in which one would	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	like to visualize the TimeFrom-					
	Start[days]					
PeriodPoint	column number in which one would	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	like to visualize the Simulation_Period					
RunPoint	column number in which one would	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	like to visualize the Run					
IDPointPoint	column number in which one would	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	like to visualize the IDpoint					
PsnowPoint	column number in which one	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	would like to visualize the					
	Psnow_over_canopy[mm]					
PrainPoint	column number in which one	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	would like to visualize the					
	Prain_over_canopy[mm]					
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Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Log / Num
PsnowNetPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the Psnow_under_canopy[mm]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
PrainNetPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the Prain_under_canopy[mm]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
PrainOnSnowPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the Prain_rain_on_snow[mm]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
WindSpeedPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the Wind_speed[m/s]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
WindDirPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the Wind_direction[deg]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
RHPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the Relative_Humidity[-]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
AirPressPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the Pressure[mbar]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
AirTempPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the Tair[°C]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
TDewPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the Tdew[°C]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
TsurfPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the Tsurface[°C]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num

Table 8.8: Table of point output (numeric)

### Headers

Keyword	Description	Output file
HeaderDatePoint	column name in the file PointOutput-	PointOutputFile
	File for the variable DatePoint	
HeaderJulianDayFromYear0Point	column name in the file PointOut-	PointOutputFile
	putFile for the variable Julian-	
	DayFromYear0Point	
HeaderTimeFromStartPoint	column name in the file PointOutput-	PointOutputFile
	File for the variable TimeFromStart-	
	Point	
HeaderPeriodPoint	column name in the file PointOutput-	PointOutputFile
	File for the variable PeriodPoint	
HeaderRunPoint	column name in the file PointOutput-	PointOutputFile
	File for the variable RunPoint	
HeaderIDPointPoint	column name in the file PointOutput-	PointOutputFile
	File for the variable IDPointPoint	
HeaderCanopyFractionPoint	column name in the file PointOutput-	PointOutputFile
	File for the variable CanopyFraction-	
	Point	
HeaderPsnowPoint	column name in the file PointOutput-	PointOutputFile
	File for the variable PsnowPoint	
HeaderPrainPoint	column name in the file PointOutput-	PointOutputFile
	File for the variable PrainPoint	
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Keyword	Description	Associated file				
HeaderPrainNetPoint	column name in the file PointOutput-	PointOutputFile				
	File for the variable PrainNetPoint					
HeaderPrainOnSnowPoint	column name in the file PointOutput-	PointOutputFile				
	File for the variable PrainOnSnowPoint					
HeaderWindSpeedPoint	column name in the file PointOutput-	PointOutputFile				
	File for the variable WindSpeedPoint					
HeaderWindDirPoint	column name in the file PointOutput-	PointOutputFile				
	File for the variable WindDirPoint					
HeaderRHPoint	column name in the file PointOutput-	PointOutputFile				
	File for the variable RHPoint					
HeaderAirPressPoint	column name in the file PointOutput-	PointOutputFile				
	File for the variable AirPressPoint					
HeaderAirTempPoint	column name in the file PointOutput-	PointOutputFile				
	File for the variable AirTempPoint					
HeaderTDewPoint	column name in the file PointOutput-	PointOutputFile				
	File for the variable TDewPoint					
HeaderTsurfPoint	column name in the file PointOutput-	PointOutputFile				
	File for the variable TsurfPoint					

Table 8.9: Table of meteorological parameters (character)

### 8.3.2 Maps

### Map names

Keyword	Description
SurfaceTempMapFile	name of the output file providing the surface temperature map
PrecipitationMapFile	name of the output file providing the precipitation map
AirTempMapFile	name of the output file providing the Air temperature map
WindSpeedMapFile	name of the output file providing the Wind Speed map
WindDirMapFile	name of the output file providing the Wind Direction map
RelHumMapFile	name of the output file providing the Rel. Humidity map
SpecificPlotSurfaceTempMapFile	name of the output file providing the surface air temperature
	map at high temporal resolution during specific days
SpecificPlotWindSpeedMapFile	name of the output file providing the wind speed map at high
	temporal resolution during specific days
SpecificPlotWindDirMapFile	name of the output file providing the wind direction map at high
	temporal resolution during specific days
SpecificPlotRelHumMapFile	name of the output file providing the relative humidity map at
	high temporal resolution during specific days

Table 8.10: Keywords of names of meteorological forcing maps

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec
OutputMeteoMaps	frequency (h) of printing of the results of the meteo maps	h		0	sca
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Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec		
SpecialPlotBegin	date of begin of plotting of the special output	format DDMMYY hhmm	01/01/1800 00:00, 01/01/2500 00:00	0	vec		
SpecialPlotEnd	date of end of plotting of the special output	format DDMMYY hhmm	01/01/1800 00:00, 01/01/2500 00:00	0	vec		

Table 8.11: Keywords for parameters of printing details for meteo maps

## Glacier

## **9.1** Input

### 9.1.1 Parameters

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca /	Str/Num
				Value	Vec	/ Opt
IrriducibleWatSatGlacier	irreducible water saturation for	-		0.02	sca	num
	glacier					
MaxWaterEqGlacLayerContent	maximum water equivalent ad-			5	sca	num
	mitted in a snow layer					
MaxGlacLayerNumber	maximum layers of snow to use			0	sca	num
	(suggested >5)					
ThickerGlacLayers	Layer numbers that can be-			Max Glac	vec	num
	come thicker than admitted			Layer		
	by the threshold given by			Number/2		
	MaxGlacLayerNumber (from					
	the bottom up). They can be					
	more than one					

Table 9.1: Keywords of glacier input parametrs configurable in geotop.inpts file.

## 9.2 Output

### 9.2.1 Point output

### **Files**

Keyword	Description
GlacierProfileFile	name of the output file providing the glacier instantaneous values at
	various depths
GlacierProfileFileWriteEnd	name of the output file providing the glacier instantaneous values at
	various depths written just once at the end
PointOutputFile	name of the file providing the properties for the simulation point
PointOutputFileWriteEnd	name of the output file providing the Point values written just once at
	the end

Table 9.2: Keywords of file related to glacier

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### Headers

Keyword	Description	Associated file
HeaderDateGlac	column name in the file GlacierProfileFile for the	GlacierProfileFile
	variable Date	
HeaderJulianDayFromYear0Glac	column name in the file GlacierProfileFile for the	GlacierProfileFile
	variable Julian Day from 0	
HeaderTimeFromStartGlac	column name in the file GlacierProfileFile for the	GlacierProfileFile
	variable Time from start	
HeaderPeriodGlac	column name in the file GlacierProfileFile for the	GlacierProfileFile
	variable Simulation period	
HeaderRunGlac	column name in the file GlacierProfileFile for the	GlacierProfileFile
	variable Run	
HeaderIDPointGlac	column name in the file GlacierProfileFile for the	GlacierProfileFile
	variable IDPoint	
HeaderTempGlac	column name in the file GlacierProfileFile for the	GlacierProfileFile
	variable temperature	
HeaderIceContentGlac	column name in the file GlacierProfileFile for the	GlacierProfileFile
	variable ice content	
HeaderWatContentGlac	column name in the file GlacierProfileFile for the	GlacierProfileFile
	variable liquid content	
HeaderDepthGlac	column name in the file GlacierProfileFile for the	GlacierProfileFile
	variable Depth	

Table 9.3: Keywords of the personalized header for the file GlacierProfileFile

Keyword	Description	Associated file
HeaderGlacDepthPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable	PointOutputFile
	GlacDepthPoint	
HeaderGWEPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable	PointOutputFile
	GWEPoint	
HeaderGlacDensityPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable	PointOutputFile
	GlacDensityPoint	
HeaderGlacTempPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable	PointOutputFile
	GlacTempPoint	
HeaderGlacMeltedPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable	PointOutputFile
	GlacMeltedPoint	
HeaderGlacSublPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable	PointOutputFile
	GlacSublPoint	

 $Table \ 9.4: \ Keywords \ of \ the \ personalized \ header \ for \ the \ file \ PointOutputFile$ 

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Str/Num /Opt
DefaultGlac	0: use personal setting, 1:use default	-	0, 1	1	sca	opt
GlacPlotDepths	depths of the glacier where one wants to write the results	-		NA	vec	num
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Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca /	Str/Num
				Value	Vec	/ Opt
DateGlac	column number in which one would	-		-1	sca	num
	like to visualize the Date12 [DDM-					
	MYYYYhhmm]					
JulianDayFromYear0Glac	column number in which one	-		-1	sca	num
	would like to visualize the Julian-					
	DayFromYear0[days]					
TimeFromStartGlac	column in which one would like to	-		-1	sca	num
	visualize the TimeFromStart[days]					
PeriodGlac	Column number to write the period	-		-1	sca	num
	number					
RunGlac	Column number to write the run	-		-1	sca	num
	number					
IDPointGlac	column number in which one would	-		-1	sca	num
	like to visualize the IDpoint					
WaterEquivalentGlac	column number in which one would	-		-1	sca	num
•	like the water equivalent of the					
	glacier					
DepthGlac	column number in which one would	-		-1	sca	num
	like to visualize the depth of the					
	glacier					
DensityGlac	column number in which one would	-		-1	sca	num
	like to visualize the density of the					
	glacier					
TempGlac	column number in which one would	-		-1	sca	num
	like to visualize the temperature of					
	the glacier					
IceContentGlac	column number in which one would	-		-1	sca	num
	like to visualize the ice content of the					
	glacier					
WatContentGlac	column number in which one would	-		-1	sca	num
	like to visualize the water content of					
	the glacier					

Table 9.5: Keywords defining the column number where printing the desired variable in the GlacierProfileFile

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca /	Log /
				Value	Vec	Num
DtPlotPoint	Plotting Time step (in hour) of the output	h	0, inf	0	vec	num
	for specified pixels (0 means the it is not					
	plotted)					
DatePoint	column number in which one would like	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	to visualize the Date12 [DDMMYYYY					
	hhmm]					
JulianDayFromYear0Point	column number in which one	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	would like to visualize the Julian-					
	DayFromYear0[days]					
TimeFromStartPoint	column number in which one would like	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	to visualize the TimeFromStart[days]					
PeriodPoint	column number in which one would like	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	to visualize the Simulation_Period					
RunPoint	column number in which one would like	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	to visualize the Run					
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Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Log / Num
IDPointPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the IDpoint	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
GlacDepthPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the glacier depth [mm]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
GWEPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the glacier water equivalent [mm]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
GlacDensityPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the glacier density [kg m <sup>-3</sup> ]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
GlacTempPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the glacier temperature [°C]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
GlacMeltedPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the glac_melted [mm]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
GlacSublPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the glacier sublimated depth [mm]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num

Table 9.6: Keywords defining the column number where to print the desired variable in the PointOutputFile

## 9.2.2 Map Output

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Str/Num / Opt
				value	766	7 Opt
DefaultGlac	0: use personal setting, 1:use default	-	0, 1	1	sca	opt
GlacPlotDepths	depths of the glacier where one wants	-		NA	vec	num
	to write the results					
OutputGlacierMaps	frequency (h) of printing of the re-	h		0	sca	num
	sults of the glacier maps					

Table 9.7: Keywords of frequency for printing glacier output maps

# Snow

## **10.1** Input

### 10.1.1 Parameters

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Str/Num / Opt
RoughElemXUnitArea	Number of roughness ele- ments (=vegetation) per unit area - used only for blowing snow subroutines	Number m <sup>-2</sup>	0, inf	0	sca	num
RoughElemDiam	Diameter of the roughness el- ements (=vegetation) - used only for blowing snow sub- routines	mm	0, inf	50	sca	num
AlphaSnow	Alpha (SNTHERM parameter) for the freezing characteristic soil for snow, the bigger, the steeper the curve around 0 degrees	-		1.00E+05	sca	num
ThresTempRain	dew or air temperature above which all precipitation is rain	°C		3	sca	num
ThresTempSnow	dew or air temperature below which all precipitation is rain	°C		-1	sca	num
DewTempOrNormTemp	Use dew temperature (1) or air temperature (0) to dis- criminate between snowfall and rainfall	-	1 or 0	0	sca	opt
AlbExtParSnow	albedo extinction parameter (aep): if snow depth < aep, albedo is interpolated between soil and snow	mm		10	sca	num
FreshSnowReflVis	visible band reflectance of fresh snow	-		0.9	sca	num
FreshSnowReflNIR	near infrared band re- flectance of fresh snow	-		0.65	sca	num
IrriducibleWatSatSnow	Irreducible water saturation. It is the ratio of the capillarity-hold water to ice content in the snow.	-	0.02 - 0.07	0.02	sca	num
SnowEmissiv	snow long wave emissivity	_		0.98	sca	num

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Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Value Value	Vec /	Str/Num /Opt
SnowRoughness	Roughness length over snow	mm		0.1	sca	num
SnowCorrFactor	correction factor on fresh snow accumulation			1	sca	num
MaxSnowPorosity	maximum snow porosity al-	_		0.7	sca	num
William Wil Glosity	lowed. This parameter pre-			0.7	Sca	lium
	vents excessive snow densifi-					
	cation					
DrySnowDefRate	snow compaction (% per	-		1	sca	num
	hour) due to destructive					
	metamorphism for snow					
	density < Snow Density Cut-					
	off and dry snow					
SnowDensityCutoff	snow density cutoff to	${\rm kg}~{\rm m}^{-3}$		100	sca	num
•	change snow deformation					
	rate					
WetSnowDefRate	enhancement factor in pres-	-		1.5	sca	num
	ence of wet snow					
SnowViscosity	snow viscosity coefficient	N s		1.00E+06	sca	num
•	(kg s m <sup>-2</sup> ) at T=0 C and	$m^{-2}$				
	snow density=0					
FetchUp	scaling fetch in case snow	m		1000	sca	num
•	wind transport in increasing					
	[m]					
FetchDown	scaling fetch in case snow	m		100	sca	num
	wind transport in decreasing					
	[m]					
BlowingSnowSoftLayerIceContent	Snow depth (in ice wa-	kg m <sup>-2</sup>		0	sca	num
2	ter equivalent), the averaged					
	density of which is used for					
	blowing snow wind thresh-					
	olds					
TimeStepBlowingSnow	Time step [s] at which the	S		TimeStep	sca	num
	Prairie Blowing Snow Model			Energy		
	is run			AndWater		
SnowSMIN	minimum slope [degree] to	degree		30	sca	num
	adjust precipitation reduction					
SnowSMAX	maximum slope [degree] to	degree		80	sca	num
	adjust precipitation reduction					
SnowCURV	shape parameter for precip-	-		-200	sca	num
	itation reduction (if $<0$ the					
	adjustment is not applied)					
MaxWaterEqSnowLayerContent	maximum water equivalent	kg m <sup>-2</sup>		5	sca	num
	admitted in a snow layer					
MaxSnowLayerNumber	maximum layers of snow to			10	sca	num
	use (suggested >10)					
ThickerSnowLayers	Layer numbers that can			Max Snow	vec	num
	become thicker than admit-			Layer		
	ted by the threshold given			Number/2		
	by MaxSnowLayerNumber					
	(from the bottom up). They					
	can be more than one					
BlowingSnow	Activate blowing snow mod-	-		0	sca	opt
	ule (yes=1, no=0)					
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Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca /	Str/Num	
				Value	Vec	/ Opt	
PointMaxSWE	Max snow water equivalent	${\rm kg}~{\rm m}^{-2}$		NA	vec	num	
	that can be reached in the						
	simulation point						
SnowAgingCoeffVis	reflectance of the new snow	-		0.2	sca	num	
	in the visible wave length						
SnowAgingCoeffNIR	reflectance of the new snow	-		0.5	sca	num	
	in the infrared wave length						

Table 10.1: Keywords of snow input parameters configurable in geotop.inpts file.

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca /	Str/Num
				Value	Vec	/ Opt
ThresSnowSoilRough	Threshold on snow depth to change	mm	0,	10	vec	num
	roughness to snow roughness values		1000			
	with d0 set at 0, for bare soil fraction					
ThresSnowVegUp	Threshold on snow depth above	mm	0,	1000	vec	num
	which the roughness is snow rough-		20000			
	ness, for vegetation fraction					
ThresSnowVegDown	Threshold on snow depth below	mm	0,	1000	vec	num
	which the roughness is vegetation		20000			
	roughness, for vegetation fraction					

Table 10.2: Keywords of snow characteristics that may be set in geotop.inpts. Each parameter may be given in input as a vector, each component representing the value corresponding to the LandCoverMapFile value identified by the vector index

### 10.2 Output

### 10.2.1 Point output

### **Files**

Keyword	Description
SnowProfileFile	name of the output file providing the snow instantaneous values at various depths
SnowProfileFileWriteEnd	name of the output file providing the snow instantaneous values at various depths written
	just once at the end
SnowCoveredAreaFile	Name of the output file containing the percentage of the area covered by snow
PointOutputFile	name of the file providing the properties for the simulation point
PointOutputFileWriteEnd	name of the output file providing the Point values written just once at the end

Table 10.3: Keywords of file related to snow / glacier

### Headers

Keyword	Description	Associated file				
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Keyword	Description	Associated file			
HeaderDateSnow	column name in the file SnowProfileFile for the vari-	SnowProfileFile			
	able Date				
HeaderJulianDayFromYear0Snow	column name in the file SnowProfileFile for the vari-	SnowProfileFile			
	able Julian Day from 0				
HeaderTimeFromStartSnow	column name in the file SnowProfileFile for the vari-	SnowProfileFile			
	able Time from start				
HeaderPeriodSnow	column name in the file SnowProfileFile for the vari-	SnowProfileFile			
	able Simulation period				
HeaderRunSnow	column name in the file SnowProfileFile for the vari-	SnowProfileFile			
	able Run				
HeaderIDPointSnow	column name in the file SnowProfileFile for the vari-	SnowProfileFile			
	able IDPoint				
HeaderTempSnow	column name in the file SnowProfileFile for the vari-	SnowProfileFile			
	able temperature				
HeaderIceContentSnow	column name in the file SnowProfileFile for the vari-	SnowProfileFile			
	able ice content				
HeaderWatContentSnow	column name in the file SnowProfileFile for the vari-	SnowProfileFile			
	able liquid content				
HeaderDepthSnow	column name in the file SnowProfileFile for the vari-	SnowProfileFile			
	able Depth				

Table 10.4: Keywords of the personalized header for the file SnowProfileFile

Keyword	Description	Associated file
HeaderPsnowNetPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable	PointOutputFile
	PsnowNetPoint	
HeaderSnowDepthPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable	PointOutputFile
	SnowDepthPoint	
HeaderSWEPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable	PointOutputFile
	SWEPoint	
HeaderSnowDensityPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable	PointOutputFile
	SnowDensityPoint	
HeaderSnowTempPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable	PointOutputFile
	SnowTempPoint	
HeaderSnowMeltedPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable	PointOutputFile
	SnowMeltedPoint	
HeaderSnowSublPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable	PointOutputFile
	SnowSublPoint	
HeaderSWEBlownPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable	PointOutputFile
	SWEBlownPoint	
HeaderSWESublBlownPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable	PointOutputFile
	SWESublBlownPoint	

Table 10.5: Keywords of the personalized header for the file PointOutputFile

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Str/Num /Opt	
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Keyword	Description		range	Default	Sca /	Str/Num
DefaultSnow	0 d.f		0.1	Value	Vec	/ Opt
	0: use personal setting, 1:use default	-	0, 1	1	sca	opt
SnowPlotDepths	depths of the glacier where one wants to write the results	-		NA	vec	num
DateSnow	column number in which one would like to visualize the Date12 [DDM-MYYYYhhmm]	-		-1	sca	num
JulianDayFromYear0Snow	column number in which one would like to visualize the Julian- DayFromYear0[days]	-		-1	sca	num
TimeFromStartSnow	column in which one would like to visualize the TimeFromStart[days]	-		-1	sca	num
PeriodSnow	Column number to write the period number	-		-1	sca	num
RunSnow	Column number to write the run number	-		-1	sca	num
IDPointSnow	column number in which one would like to visualize the IDpoint	-		-1	sca	num
WaterEquivalentSnow	column number in which one would like the water equivalent of the snow	-		-1	sca	num
DepthSnow	column number in which one would like to visualize the depth of the snow	-		-1	sca	num
DensitySnow	column number in which one would like to visualize the density of the snow	-		-1	sca	num
TempSnow	column number in which one would like to visualize the temperature of the snow	-		-1	sca	num
IceContentSnow	column number in which one would like to visualize the ice content of the snow	-		-1	sca	num
WatContentSnow	column number in which one would like to visualize the water content of the snow	-		-1	sca	num

Table 10.6: Keywords defining the column number where printing the desired variable in the SnowProfileFile

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca /	Log /
				Value	Vec	Num
DefaultPoint	0: use personal setting, 1:use default	-	0, 1	1	sca	opt
DtPlotPoint	Plotting Time step (in hour) of the output	h	0, inf	0	vec	num
	for specified pixels (0 means the it is not					
	plotted)					
DatePoint	column number in which one would like	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	to visualize the Date12[DDMMYYYY					
	hhmm]					
JulianDayFromYear0Point	column number in which one	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	would like to visualize the Julian-					
	DayFromYear0[days]					
TimeFromStartPoint	column number in which one would like	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	to visualize the TimeFromStart[days]					
PeriodPoint	column number in which one would like	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	to visualize the Simulation_Period					
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Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Log / Num	
RunPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the Run	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num	
IDPointPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the IDpoint	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num	
SnowDepthPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the snow_depth[mm]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num	
SWEPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the snow_water_equivalent [mm]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num	
SnowDensityPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the snow_density[kg/ <sup>3</sup> ]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num	
SnowTempPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the snow_temperature[°C]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num	
SnowMeltedPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the snow_melted[mm]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num	
SnowSublPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the snow_subl[mm]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num	
SWEBlownPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the snow_blown_away[mm]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num	
SWESublBlownPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the snow_subl_while_blown [mm]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num	

Table 10.7: Keywords defining the column number where printing the desired variable in the PointOutputFile

### 10.2.2 Map Output

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca /	Str/Num
				Value	Vec	/ Opt
DefaultSnow	0: use personal setting, 1:use default	-	0, 1	1	sca	opt
SnowPlotDepths	depths of the glacier where one wants	-		NA	vec	num
	to write the results					
OutputSnowMaps	frequency (h) of printing of the re-	h		0	sca	num
	sults of the snow maps					

Table 10.8: Keywords of frequency for printing snow output maps settable in geotop.inpts

# Vegetation

## **11.1** Input

### 11.1.1 Parameters

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca /	Str/Num
-	_		_	Value	Vec	/ Opt
VegHeight	vegetation height	mm	0, 20000	1000	vec	num
LSAI	Leaf and Stem Area Index $[L^2/L^2]$	-	0, 1	1	vec	num
CanopyFraction	Canopy fraction [0: no canopy in the pixel, 1: pixel fully covered by canopy]	-	0, 1	0	vec	num
DecayCoeffCanopy	Decay coefficient of the eddy diffusivity profile in the canopy	-	0, inf	2.5	vec	num
VegSnowBurying	Coefficient of the exponential snow burying of vegetation	-	0, inf	1	vec	num
RootDepth	Root depth (it is used to calculate root_fraction for each layer, it must be positive)	mm	0, inf	300	vec	num
MinStomatalRes	Minimum stomatal resistance	s $m^{-1}$	0, inf	60	vec	num
VegReflectVis	Vegetation reflectivity in the visible	-	0, 1	0.2	vec	num
VegRefINIR	Vegetation reflectivity in the near in- frared	-	0, 1	0.2	vec	num
VegTransVis	Vegetation transmissimity in the visible	-	0, 1	0.2	vec	num
VegTransNIR	Vegetation transmissimity in the near infrared	-	0, 1	0.2	vec	num
LeafAngles	Departure of leaf angles from a ran- dom distribution (1 horizontal, 0 ran- dom, -1 vertical)	-	-1, 0, 1	0	vec	opt
CanDensSurface	Surface density of canopy	kg m <sup>-2</sup> LSAI <sup>-1</sup>	0, inf	2	vec	num

Table 11.1: Keywords of vegetation characteristics that may be set in geotop.inpts. Each parameter may be given in input as a vector, each component representing the value corresponding to the LandCoverMapFile value identified by the vector index

### 11.2 Numerics

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Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Scalar	Logical
				Value	/ Vec-	/ Nu-
					tor	meric
CanopyMaxIter	Max number of iterations for (vegeta-			3	sca	num
	tion energy balance equation)					
LocMaxIter	Max number of iterations for the cal-	-		3	sca	num
	culation of the within-canopy Monin-					
	Obukhov length (vegetation energy bal-					
	ance equation)					
TsMaxIter	Max number of iterations for the calcu-	-		2	sca	num
	lation of canopy air temperature (vege-					
	tation energy balance equation)					
CanopyStabCorrection	Use of the stability corrections within	-		1	sca	opt
	canopy (=1), otherwise (=0)					
BusingerMaxIter	Max number of iterations for Monin-	-		5	sca	num
	Obulhov stability algorithm -Businger					
	parameterization (surface energy bal-					
	ance equation)					

Table 11.2: Keywords of input numeric parameters for the energy equation regarding vegetation routines settable in geotop.inpts

## 11.3 Output

### 11.3.1 Point

### Files

Keyword	Description
TimeDependentVegetationParameterFile	name of the file providing the time dependent vegetation parameters
PointOutputFile	name of the file providing the properties for the simulation point
PointOutputFileWriteEnd	name of the output file providing the Point values written just once at
	the end

Table 11.3: Keywords of file related to vegetation

### Headers

Keyword	Description	Associated file
HeaderTvegPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the	PointOutputFile
	variable TvegPoint	
HeaderTCanopyAirPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the	PointOutputFile
	variable TCanopyAirPoint	
HeaderLSAIPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the	PointOutputFile
	variable LSAIPoint	
Headerz0vegPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the	PointOutputFile
	variable z0vegPoint	
Headerd0vegPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the	PointOutputFile
	variable d0vegPoint	
HeaderEstoredCanopyPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the	PointOutputFile
	variable EstoredCanopyPoint	
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Keyword	Description	Associated file		
HeaderSWvPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable SWvPoint	PointOutputFile		
HeaderLWvPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable LWvPoint	PointOutputFile		
HeaderHvPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable HvPoint	PointOutputFile		
HeaderLEvPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable LEvPoint	PointOutputFile		
HeaderHgUnvegPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable HgUnvegPoint	PointOutputFile		
HeaderLEgUnvegPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable LEgUnvegPoint	PointOutputFile		
HeaderHgVegPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable HgVegPoint	PointOutputFile		
HeaderLEgVegPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable LEgVegPoint	PointOutputFile		
HeaderEvapSurfacePoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable EvapSurfacePoint	PointOutputFile		
HeaderTraspCanopyPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable TraspCanopyPoint	PointOutputFile		
HeaderWaterOnCanopyPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable WaterOnCanopyPoint	PointOutputFile		
HeaderSnowOnCanopyPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable SnowOnCanopyPoint	PointOutputFile		
HeaderQVegPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable specific humidity near the vegetation	PointOutputFile		
HeaderLObukhovCanopyPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable LObukhovCanopyPoint	PointOutputFile		
HeaderWindSpeedTopCanopyPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable WindSpeedTopCanopyPoint	PointOutputFile		
HeaderDecayKCanopyPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable DecayKCanopyPoint	PointOutputFile		

Table 11.4: Keywords of the personalized headers for the PointOutputFile

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Log / Num
D. C. LiD. L.			0.1	value		
DefaultPoint	0: use personal setting, 1:use default	-	0, 1	1	sca	opt
DtPlotPoint	Plotting Time step (in hour) of the out-	h	0, inf	0	vec	num
	put for specified pixels (0 means the it					
	is not plotted)					
DatePoint	column number in which one	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	would like to visualize the					
	Date12[DDMMYYYY hhmm]					
JulianDayFromYear0Point	column number in which one	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	would like to visualize the Julian-					
	DayFromYear0[days]					
TimeFromStartPoint	column number in which one would	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	like to visualize the TimeFrom-					
	Start[days]					
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Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Log / Num
PeriodPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the Simulation_Period	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
RunPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the Run	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
IDPointPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the IDpoint	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
TvegPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the Tvegetation[°C]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
TCanopyAirPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the Tcanopyair[°C]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
CanopyFractionPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the Canopy_fraction	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
LSAIPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the LSAI[m²/m²]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
z0vegPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the z0veg[m]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
d0vegPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the d0veg[m]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
EstoredCanopyPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the Estored_canopy[W/m2]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
SWvPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the SWv[W/m²]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
LWvPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the LWv[W/m²]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
HvPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the Hv[W/m <sup>2</sup> ]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
LEvPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the LEv[W/m²]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
HgUnvegPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the Hg_unveg[W/m <sup>2</sup> ]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
LEgUnvegPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the LEg_unveg[W/m²]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
HgVegPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the Hg_veg[W/m²]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
LEgVegPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the LEg_veg[W/m²]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
TraspCanopyPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the Trasp_canopy[mm]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
WaterOnCanopyPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the Water_on_canopy[mm]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
SnowOnCanopyPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the Snow_on_canopy[mm]	-	1,76	-1	sca	num
QVegPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the specific hu- midity near the vegetation (grams vapour/grams air)	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
QCanopyAirPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the specific humid- ity at the canopy-air interface (grams vapour/grams air)	-	1,76	-1	sca	num

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Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca /	Log / Num		
				value	Vec	Nulli		
LObukhovCanopyPoint	column number in which one would	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num		
	like to visualize the LObukhov-							
	canopy[m]							
WindSpeedTopCanopyPoint	column number in which one	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num		
	would like to visualize the							
	Wind_speed_top_canopy [m/s]							
DecayKCanopyPoint	column number in which one	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num		
	would like to visualize the De-							
	cay_of_K_in_canopy[-]							

Table 11.5: Keywords defining the column number where to plot the desired variable in the PointOutputFile

### 11.3.2 Map Output

#### **Parameters**

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Str/Num /Opt
OutputVegetationMaps	frequency (h) of printing of the re-	h		0	sca	num
	sults of the vegetation maps					

Table 11.6: Keywords of frequency for printing vegetation output maps settable in geotop.inpts

#### **Files**

Keyword	Description
CanopyInterceptedWaterMapFile	name of the output file providing the canopy intercepted water map
SpecificPlotVegSensibleHeatFluxMapFile	name of the output file providing the vegetation sensible heat flux map at high
	temporal resolution during specific days
SpecificPlotVegLatentHeatFluxMapFile	name of the output file providing the vegetation latent heat flux map at high
	temporal resolution during specific days
SpecificPlotNetVegShortwaveRadMapFile	name of the output file providing the vegetation Swnet flux map at high temporal
	resolution during specific days
SpecificPlotNetVegLongwaveRadMapFile	name of the output file providing the vegetation Lwnet map at high temporal
	resolution during specific days
SpecificPlotCanopyAirTempMapFile	name of the output file providing the canopy air temperature map at high tem-
	poral resolution during specific days
SpecificPlotVegTempMapFile	name of the output file providing the vegetation temperature map at high tem-
	poral resolution during specific days
SpecificPlotAboveVegAirTempMapFile	name of the output file providing the above vegetation air temperature map at
	high temporal resolution during specific days

Table 11.7: Keywords of file related to vegetation (map)

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## **Surface Fluxes**

## **12.1** Input

### 12.1.1 Parameters

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca /	Logical /
				Value	Vec	Numeric
LWinParameterization	Which formula for incoming long-		1, 2,	9	sca	opt
	wave radiation: 1 (Brutsaert, 1975),		, 9			
	2 (Satterlund, 1979), 3 (Idso, 1981),					
	4(Idso+Hodges), 5 (Koenig-Langlo					
	& Augstein, 1994), 6 (Andreas					
	& Ackley, 1982), 7 (Konzelmann,					
	1994), 8 (Prata, 1996), 9 (Dilley					
	1998)					
MoninObukhov	Atmospherical stability parameter: 1			1	sca	num
	stability and instability considered, 2					
	stability not considered, 3 instability					
	not considered, 4 always neutrality					
Surroundings	Yes(1), No(0)	-		0	sca	opt
NumLandCoverTypes	Number of Classes of land cover.	-	1, inf	1	sca	num
	Each land cover type corresponds to a					
	particular land-cover state, described					
	by a specific set of values of the pa-					
	rameters listed below. Each set of					
	land cover parameters will be dis-					
	tributively assigned according to the					
	land cover map, which relates each					
	pixel with a land cover type num-					
	ber. This number corresponds to the					
	number of component in the numeri-					
	cal vector that is assigned to any land					
	cover parameters listed below.					

Table 12.1: Keywords of parameters regarding the surface energy fluxes calculation

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Str/Num /Opt	
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Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca /	Str/Num	
				Value	Vec	/ Opt	
SoilRoughness	Roughness length of soil surface	mm	0,	10	vec	num	
			1000				
SoilAlbVisDry	Ground surface albedo without snow	-	0, 1	0.2	vec	num	
	in the visible - dry						
SoilAlbNIRDry	Ground surface albedo without snow	-	0, 1	0.2	vec	num	
	in the near infrared - dry						
SoilAlbVisWet	Ground surface albedo without snow	-	0, 1	0.2	vec	num	
	in the visible - saturated						
SoilAlbNIRWet	Ground surface albedo without snow	-	0, 1	0.2	vec	num	
	in the near infrared - saturated						
SoilEmissiv	Ground surface emissivity	-	0, 1	0.96	vec	num	

Table 12.2: Keywords of land cover characteristics affecting surface energy fluxes that may be set in geotop.inpts. Each parameter may be given in input as a vector, each component representing the value corresponding to the LandCoverMapFile value identified by the vector index

### 12.2 Numerics

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Scalar	Logical
				Value	/ Vec-	/ Nu-
					tor	meric
BusingerMaxIter	Max number of iterations for Monin-	-		5	sca	num
	Obulhov stability algorithm -Businger					
	parameterization (surface energy bal-					
	ance equation)					

Table 12.3: Keywords of input numeric parameters for the energy equation regarding vegetation routines settable in geotop.inpts

## **12.3 Output**

### 12.3.1 Point

#### **Files**

Keyword	Description
PointOutputFile	name of the file providing the properties for the simulation point
PointOutputFileWriteEnd	name of the output file providing the Point values written just once at the end

Table 12.4: Keywords of file related to point output variables

### Headers

Keyword	Description	Associated file
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Keyword	Description	Associated file					
HeaderSurfaceEBPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable SurfaceEBPoint	PointOutputFile					
HeaderSoilHeatFluxPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable SoilHeatFluxPoint	PointOutputFile					
HeaderSWinPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable SWinPoint	PointOutputFile					
HeaderSWbeamPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable SWbeamPoint	PointOutputFile					
HeaderSWdiffPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable SWdiffPoint	PointOutputFile					
HeaderLWinPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable LWinPoint	PointOutputFile					
HeaderLWinMinPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable LWinMinPoint	PointOutputFile					
HeaderLWinMaxPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable LWinMaxPoint	PointOutputFile					
HeaderSWNetPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable SWNetPoint	PointOutputFile					
HeaderLWNetPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable LWNetPoint	PointOutputFile					
HeaderHPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable HPoint	PointOutputFile					
HeaderLEPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable LEPoint	PointOutputFile					
HeaderQSurfPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable specific humidity near the soil surface	PointOutputFile					
HeaderQAirPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable specific humidity of the air	PointOutputFile					
HeaderLObukhovPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable LObukhovPoint	PointOutputFile					
HeaderSWupPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable SWupPoint	PointOutputFile					
HeaderLWupPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable LWupPoint	PointOutputFile					
HeaderHupPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable HupPoint	PointOutputFile					
HeaderLEupPoint	column name in the file PointOutputFile for the variable LEupPoint	PointOutputFile					

Table 12.5: Keywords defining the headers to personalize for the output related to surface flux in the PointOutputFile

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Log / Num
DefaultPoint	0: use personal setting, 1:use default	-	0, 1	1	sca	opt
DtPlotPoint	Plotting Time step (in hour) of THE OUTPUT FOR SPECIFIED PIXELS (0 means the it is not plotted)	h	0, inf	0	vec	num
DatePoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the Date12[DDMMYYYY hhmm]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
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Keyword	continued from pro	M. U. range		Default	Sca	Log
iioj woru	Description	171. U.	range	Value	Vec	Num
JulianDayFromYear0Point	column number in which one	_	1, 76	-1	sca	num
Junani Dayi Tom Tearor ome	would like to visualize the Julian-		1, 70	-1	sca	IIGIII
	DayFromYear0[days]					
TimeFromStartPoint	column number in which one would	_	1, 76	-1	sca	num
Timer romotarti omt	like to visualize the TimeFrom-		1, 70	1	Sea	IIIIII
	Start[days]					
PeriodPoint	column number in which one would	_	1, 76	-1	sca	num
r criodi omi	like to visualize the Simulation_Period		1, 70	1	Sea	IIIIII
RunPoint	column number in which one would	_	1, 76	-1	sca	num
Kulli Ollit	like to visualize the Run		1, 70	-1	sca	IIGIII
IDPointPoint	column number in which one would	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
IDI olili olili	like to visualize the IDpoint	_	1, 70	-1	sca	IIuiii
TsurfPoint	column number in which one would	_	1, 76	-1	sca	num
1 Sul II Ollit	like to visualize the Tsurface[°C]	_	1, 70	-1	Sca	IIuiii
SurfaceEBPoint	column number in which one	_	1, 76	-1	222	
SurfaceEDPollit	would like to visualize the Sur-	-	1, 70	-1	sca	num
	face_Energy_balance [W/m <sup>2</sup> ]					
SoilHeatFluxPoint			1, 76	-1		
SoilHeatFluxPoint	column number in which one	-	1, /6	-1	sca	num
	would like to visualize the					
SWinPoint	Soil_heat_flux[W/m <sup>2</sup> ]		1.76	1		
SWinPoint	column number in which one would	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
277 B 1	like to visualize the SWin[W/m <sup>2</sup> ]					
SWbeamPoint	column number in which one would	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	like to visualize the SWbeam[W/m <sup>2</sup> ]					
SWdiffPoint	column number in which one would	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	like to visualize the SWdiff[W/m <sup>2</sup> ]					
LWinPoint	column number in which one would	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	like to visualize the LWin[W/m <sup>2</sup> ]					
LWinMinPoint	column number in which one would	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	like to visualize the LWin_min[W/m <sup>2</sup> ]					
LWinMaxPoint	column number in which one	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	would like to visualize the					
	LWin_max[W/m <sup>2</sup> ]					
SWNetPoint	column number in which one would	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	like to visualize the SWnet[W/m <sup>2</sup> ]					
LWNetPoint	column number in which one would	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	like to visualize the LWnet[W/m <sup>2</sup> ]					
HPoint	column number in which one would	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	like to visualize the H[W/m <sup>2</sup> ]					
EvapSurfacePoint	column number in which one	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
_	would like to visualize the					
	Evap_surface[mm]					
LEPoint	column number in which one would	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	like to visualize the LE[W/m <sup>2</sup> ]					
QSurfPoint	column number in which one would	_	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	like to visualize the specific humid-		,			
	ity at the surface (grams vapour/grams					
	air)					
QAirPoint	column number in which one would	_	1, 76	-1	sca	num
Z. 111 OIII	like to visualize the specific humidity		1, 70		Sca	iiuiii
	at air (grams vapour/grams air)					
LObukhovPoint	column number in which one would	_	1, 76	-1	sca	num
LOURIUVI OIIII	like to visualize the LObukhov[m]	_	1, 70	-1	sca	num
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Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Log / Num
SWupPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the SWup[W/m <sup>2</sup> ]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
LWupPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the LWup[W/m²]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
HupPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the Hup[W/m²]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
LEupPoint	column number in which one would like to visualize the LEup[W/m²]	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num

Table 12.6: Keywords defining which parameter to print on the PointOutputFile

## 12.3.2 Maps

### **Parameters**

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec
OutputSurfEBALMaps	frequency (h) of printing of	h		0	sca
	the results of the Surface				
	energy balance maps				

Table 12.7: Keywords for parameters of printing details for surface energy balance maps

### File

Keyword	Description			
RadiationMapFile	name of the output file providing the Radiation map (all			
	the type of radiations)			
NetRadiationMapFile	name of the output file providing the Net Radiation map			
InLongwaveRadiationMapFile	name of the output file providing the LW Radiation map			
NetLongwaveRadiationMapFile	name of the output file providing the Net LW Radiation			
	map			
NetShortwaveRadiationMapFile	name of the output file providing the Net SW Radiation			
	map			
InShortwaveRadiationMapFile	name of the output file providing the Swin Radiation			
	map			
DirectInShortwaveRadiationMapFile	name of the output file providing the Swdir Radiation			
	map			
ShadowFractionTimeMapFile	name of the output file providing the map of the fraction			
	of Shadow in the time			
SurfaceHeatFluxMapFile	name of the output file providing the Surface heat flux			
	map			
SurfaceSensibleHeatFluxMapFile	name of the output file providing the Surface sensible			
	heat flux map			
SurfaceLatentHeatFluxMapFile	name of the output file providing the Surface latent heat			
	flux map			
SpecificPlotSurfaceHeatFluxMapFile	name of the output file providing the surface heat flux			
	map at high temporal resolution during specific days			
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Keyword	Description			
SpecificPlotTotalSensibleHeatFluxMapFile	name of the output file providing the total sensible heat			
	flux map at high temporal resolution during specific			
	days			
SpecificPlotTotalLatentHeatFluxMapFile	name of the output file providing the total latent heat			
	flux map at high temporal resolution during specific			
	days			
SpecificPlotSurfaceSensibleHeatFluxMapFile	name of the output file providing the surface sensible			
	heat flux map at high temporal resolution during spe-			
	cific days			
SpecificPlotSurfaceLatentHeatFluxMapFile	name of the output file providing the surface latent heat			
	flux map at high temporal resolution during specific			
	days			
SpecificPlotIncomingShortwaveRadMapFile	name of the output file providing the Swin flux map at			
	high temporal resolution during specific days			
SpecificPlotNetSurfaceShortwaveRadMapFile	name of the output file providing the surface Swnet flux			
	map at high temporal resolution during specific days			
SpecificPlotIncomingLongwaveRadMapFile	name of the output file providing the Lwin flux map at			
	high temporal resolution during specific days			
SpecificPlotNetSurfaceLongwaveRadMapFile	name of the output file providing the surface Lwnet map			
	at high temporal resolution during specific days			

Table 12.8: Keywords of output map files related to surface fluxes settable in geotop.inpts

## 12.4 Values of reference

Surface description	roughness $z_0$ [mm]	Reference
Mud flats, ice	0.01	Sutton (1953)
Smooth tarmac	0.02	<i>Bradley</i> (1968))
Large water surfaces	0.1 - 0.6	Numerous references
Grass (lawn up to 1 cm)	1	Sutton (1953)
Grass (artificial, 7.5 cm high)	10	Chamberlain (1966))
Grass (thick up to 10 cm high)	23	Sutton (1953)
Grass (thin up to 50 cm)	50	Sutton (1953)
Trees (10-15 m high)	400-700	Fichtl and McVehil (1970)
Large city	1650	YAMAMOTO and SHIMANUKI (1964)

Table 12.9: Example of roughness parameters for various surfaces *Brutsaert* (1982)

Radiative proprieties of natural materials p.13 Boundary Layer Climates - T.R.Oke Example of roughness parameters for various surfaces - Evaporation into the Atmosphere, Wilfried Brutsaert, 1984

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Surface	Remarks	Albedo	Emissivity
		$\alpha$	$\varepsilon$
Soil	Dark, wet	0.05 -	0.98 -
	Light, dry	0.40	0.90
Desert		0.20 - 0.45	0.84 - 0.91
Grass	Long (1.0 m)	0.16 -	0.90 -
	Short (0.02 m	0.26	0.95
Agrigultural crops,		0.18 -	0.90 -
tundra		0.25	0.99
Orchards		0.15 - 0.20	
Forest			
Deciduos	Bare	0.15 -	0.97 -
	Leaved	0.20	0.98
Coniferous		0.05 - 0.15	0.97 - 0.99
Water	Small zenith angle	0.03 - 0.10	0.92 - 0.97
	Large zenith angle	0.10 - 1.00	0.92 - 0.97
Snow	Old	0.40 -	0.82 -
	Fresh	0.95	0.99
Ice	Sea	0.30 - 0.45	0.92 - 0.97
	Glacier	0.20 - 0.40	

Table 12.10: Radiative proprieties of natural materials

Surface description	z_0(cm)	Reference
Mud flats, ice	0.001	Sutton (1953)
Smooth tarmac	0.002	Bradley (1968)
Large water surfaces	0.01 - 0.06	Numerous references
Grass (lawn up to 1 cm)	0.1	Sutton (1953)
Grass (artificial, 7.5 cm high)	1.0	Chamberlain (1966)
Grass (thick up to 10 cm high)	2.3	Sutton (1953)
Grass (thin up to 50 cm)	5	Sutton (1953)
Trees (10-15 m high)	40-70	Fichtl and McVehil (1970)
Large city	165	Yamamoto and Shimanuki (1964)

Table 12.11: Example of roughness parameters for various surfaces (Evaporation into the Atmosphere, Wilfried Brutsaert, 1984)

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# **Chapter 13**

# Soil/Rock Infiltration

## **13.1** Input

### 13.1.1 File

Keyword	Description	Associated file	type (file, header)
SoilParFile	name of the file providing the soil parameters	/	file

Table 13.1: Keywords of file related to soil and rock parameters

#### 13.1.2 Headers

Keyword	Description	Associated file
HeaderPointSoilType	column name in the file PointFile for the soil type of the point	PointFile
HeaderSoilDz	column name in the file SoilParFile for the layers thickness	SoilParFile
HeaderNormalHydrConductivity	column name in the file SoilParFile for the normal hydraulic con-	SoilParFile
	ductivity	
HeaderLateralHydrConductivity	column name in the file SoilParFile for the lateral hydraulic con-	SoilParFile
	ductivity	
HeaderThetaRes	column name in the file SoilParFile for the residual water content	SoilParFile
HeaderWiltingPoint	column name in the file SoilParFile for the soil wilting point	SoilParFile
HeaderFieldCapacity	column name in the file SoilParFile for the field capacity	SoilParFile
HeaderThetaSat	column name in the file SoilParFile for the saturated water content	SoilParFile
HeaderAlpha	column name in the file alpha parameter of Van Genuchten	SoilParFile
HeaderN	column name in the file N parameter of Van Genuchten	SoilParFile
HeaderV	column name in the file V parameter of Van Genuchten	SoilParFile
HeaderSpecificStorativity	column name in the file specific storativity	SoilParFile

Table 13.2: Keywords of headers related to soil

#### 13.1.3 Parameters

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Str/Num / Opt
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Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca /	Str/Num
				Value	Vec	/ Opt
FrozenSoilHydrCondReduction	$\Omega$ : Reduction factor of the hydraulic	-	0, 7	2	sca	num
	conductivity in partially frozen soil					
	$(K = K_{no\_ice} * 10^{\Omega Q})$ , where Q is					
	the ice ratio					

Table 13.3: Keywords for the description of soil

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca /	Str/Num
				Value	Vec	/ Opt
NormalHydrConductivity		mm		1.00E-04	vec	num
		$s^{-1}$				
LateralHydrConductivity		mm		1.00E-04	vec	num
		$s^{-1}$				
ThetaRes		-		0.05	vec	num
WiltingPoint		-		0.15	vec	num
FieldCapacity		-		0.25	vec	num
ThetaSat		-		0.5	vec	num
AlphaVanGenuchten		$mm^{-1}$		0.004	vec	num
NVanGenuchten		-		1.3	vec	num
VMualem		-		0.5	vec	num
SpecificStorativity		$\mathrm{mm}^{-1}$		1.00E-07	vec	num

Table 13.4: Keywords of soil input parameters settable in geotop.inpts

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Str/Num /Opt
						-
FrozenSoilHydrCondReduction	Reduction factor of the	-	0, 7	2	sca	num
	hydraulic conductivity in					
	partially frozen soil $(K =$					
	$K_{no\_ice} * 10^{impedenceQ},$					
	where Q is the ice ratio					
PointSoilType	Soil type of the simulation	-		NA	vec	num
	point					
NormalHydrConductivityBedrock		mm		1.00E-04	vec	num
		$s^{-1}$				
LateralHydrConductivityBedrock		mm		1.00E-04	vec	num
		$s^{-1}$				
ThetaResBedrock		-		0.05	vec	num
WiltingPointBedrock		-		0.15	vec	num
FieldCapacityBedrock		-		0.25	vec	num
ThetaSatBedrock		-		0.5	vec	num
AlphaVanGenuchtenBedrock		$\mathrm{mm}^{-1}$		0.004	vec	num
NVanGenuchtenBedrock		-		1.3	vec	num
VMualemBedrock		-		0.5	vec	num
SpecificStorativityBedrock		$\mathrm{mm}^{-1}$		1.00E-07	vec	num

Table 13.5: Keywords of soil input parameters settable in geotop.inpts

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#### **Numerics**

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Scalar	Logical
				Value	/ Vec-	/ Nu-
					tor	meric
RichardTol	Absolute Tolerance for the integration	mm	1E-20,	1.00E-	sca	num
	of Richards' equation on the Euclidean		inf	08		
	norm of residuals (mass balance)					
RichardMaxIter	Max iterations for the integration of	-	1, inf	100	sca	num
	Richards' equation (mass balance equa-					
	tion)					
RichardInitForc	Initial forcing term of Newton method	-		0.01	sca	num
	(mass balance equation)					

Table 13.6: Keywords of input numeric parameters for the energy and mass balance equation settable in geotop.inpts

## 13.2 Output

## 13.2.1 Point output

#### **Files**

Keyword	Description
PointOutputFile	name of the file providing the properties for the simulation
	point
PointOutputFileWriteEnd	name of the output file providing the Point values written
	just once at the end
SoilLiqWaterPressProfileFile	name of the output file providing the Soil/rock instanta-
	neous liquid water pressure head values at various depths
SoilLiqWaterPressProfileFileWriteEnd	name of the output file providing the Soil/rock instanta-
	neous liquid water pressure head values at various depths
	written just once at the end
SoilTotWaterPressProfileFile	name of the output file providing the Soil/rock instanta-
	neous total (water+ice) pressure head values at various
	depths
SoilTotWaterPressProfileFileWriteEnd	name of the output file providing the Soil/rock instanta-
	neous total (water+ice) pressure head values at various
	depths written just once at the end
SoilLiqContentProfileFile	name of the output file providing the Soil/rock instanta-
	neous liquid water content values at various depths
SoilLiqContentProfileFileWriteEnd	name of the output file providing the Soil/rock instanta-
	neous liquid water content values at various depths written
	just once at the end
SoilAveragedLiqContentProfileFile	name of the output file providing the Soil/rock average (in
	DtPlotPoint) liquid water content values at various depths
SoilAveragedLiqContentProfileFileWriteEnd	name of the output file providing the Soil/rock average (in
	DtPlotPoint) liquid water content values at various depths
	written just once at the end

Table 13.7: Keywords of output file related to soil

#### **Parameters**

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Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca /	Str/Num
				Value	Vec	/ Opt
DefaultSoil	0: use personal setting, 1:use default	-	0, 1	1	sca	opt
SoilPlotDepths	depth at which one wants the data on	m		NA	vec	num
	the snow to be plotted					
DateSoil	column number in which one	-		-1	sca	num
	would like to visualize the					
	Date12[DDMMYYYY hhmm]					
JulianDayFromYear0Soil	column number in which one	-		-1	sca	num
	would like to visualize the Julian-					
	DayFromYear0[days]					
TimeFromStartSoil	column number in which one would	-		-1	sca	num
	like to visualize the time from the					
	start of the soil					
PeriodSoil	Column number to write the period	-		-1	sca	num
	number					
RunSoil	Column number to write the run	-		-1	sca	num
	number					
IDPointSoil	column number in which one would	-		-1	sca	num
	like to visualize the IDpoint					

Table 13.8: Keywords defining the column number where to print the desired variable in the output files for the soil variables

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca	/	Log	/
				Value	Vec		Num	
DefaultPoint	0: use personal setting, 1:use default	-	0, 1	1	sca		opt	
DtPlotPoint	Plotting Time step (in hour) of the output	h	0, inf	0	vec		num	
	for specified pixels (0 means the it is not							
	plotted)							
DatePoint	column number in which one would like	-	1, 76	-1	sca		num	
	to visualize the Date12[DDMMYYYY							
	hhmm]							
JulianDayFromYear0Point	column number in which one	-	1, 76	-1	sca		num	
	would like to visualize the Julian-							
	DayFromYear0[days]						<u> </u>	
TimeFromStartPoint	column number in which one would like	-	1, 76	-1	sca		num	
	to visualize the TimeFromStart[days]							
PeriodPoint	column number in which one would like	-	1, 76	-1	sca		num	
	to visualize the Simulation_Period							
RunPoint	column number in which one would like	-	1, 76	-1	sca		num	
	to visualize the Run						<u> </u>	
IDPointPoint	column number in which one would like	-	1, 76	-1	sca		num	
	to visualize the IDpoint						<u> </u>	
WaterTableDepthPoint	column number in which one would like	-	1, 76	-1	sca		num	
	to visualize the water_table_depth [mm]							

Table 13.9: Keywords defining the column number where to print the desired variable in the PointOutputFile

## 13.2.2 Map Output

#### **Parameters**

13.2. Output 13. Soil/Rock Infiltration

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Str/Num /Opt
OutputSoilMaps	frequency (h) of printing of the results of the soil maps	h		0	sca	num

Table 13.10: Keywords of frequency for printing soil output maps

## **13.2.3** Map names

Keyword	Description
SoilMapFile	name of the file providing the soil map
FirstSoilLayerLiqContentMapFile	name of the map of the liquird water content of the first soil layer
LandSurfaceWaterDepthMapFile	name of the map of the water height above the surface
WaterTableDepthMapFile	name of the output file providing the Water table depth map
SpecificPlotSurfaceWaterContentMapFile	name of the output file providing the surface water content map at high
	temporal resolution during specific days

Table 13.11: Keywords of print output maps for soil and rock thermal and hydraulic variables

### 13.2.4 Tensor names

Keyword	Description
SoilLiqContentTensorFile	Name of the ensamble of raster maps corresponding to the liquid wa-
	ter content of each layer (if PlotSoilDepth≠0 it writes the value at the
	corresponding depths)
SoilLiqWaterPressTensorFile	Name of the ensamble of raster maps corresponding to the water pres-
	sure of each layer (if PlotSoilDepth $\neq 0$ it writes the value at the corre-
	sponding depths)

Table 13.12: Keywords of print output tensor maps for soil and rock thermal and hydraulic variables

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# **Chapter 14**

# Soil/rock temperature

## **14.1** Input

### 14.1.1 File

Keyword	Description	Associated file	type (file, header)
SoilParFile	name of the file providing the soil parameters	/	file

Table 14.1: Keywords of file related to soil and rock parameters

### 14.1.2 Headers

Keyword	Description	Associated file
HeaderPointSoilType	column name in the file PointFile for the soil type of the point	PointFile
HeaderSoilDz	column name in the file SoilParFile for the layers thickness	SoilParFile
HeaderKthSoilSolids	column name in the file thermal conductivity of the soil grains	SoilParFile
HeaderCthSoilSolids	column name in the file thermal capacity of the soil grains	SoilParFile

Table 14.2: Keywords of headers related to soil

#### 14.1.3 Parameters

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Str/Num / Opt
ThermalConductivitySoilSolidsBedrock	thermal conductivity of the	$\mathrm{W}~\mathrm{m}^{-1}$		2.5	vec	num
	bedrock	$K^{-1}$				
ThermalCapacitySoilSolidsBedrock	thermal capacity of the	$J m^{-3}$		1.00E+06	vec	num
	bedrock	$K^{-1}$				

Table 14.3: Keywords of soil input parameters settable in geotop.inpts

#### **Numerics**

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Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Scalar	Logical
				Value	/ Vec-	/ Nu-
					tor	meric
HeatEqTol	Max norm of the residuals (energy bal-	$\mathrm{J}\mathrm{m}^{-2}$		1.00E-	sca	num
	ance equation)			04		
HeatEqMaxIter	Max number of iterations (energy bal-	-		500	sca	num
	ance equation)					

Table 14.4: Keywords of input numeric parameters for the energy equation settable in geotop.inpts

# 14.2 Output

## 14.2.1 Point output

#### **Files**

Keyword	Description
PointOutputFile	name of the file providing the properties for the simulation point
PointOutputFileWriteEnd	name of the output file providing the Point values written just once at
	the end
SoilTempProfileFile	name of the output file providing the Soil/rock instantaneous tempera-
	ture values at various depths
SoilTempProfileFileWriteEnd	name of the output file providing the Soil/rock instantaneous tempera-
	ture values at various depths written just once at the end
SoilAveragedTempProfileFile	name of the output file providing the Soil/rock average (in DtPlotPoint)
	temperature values at various depths
SoilAveragedTempProfileFileWriteEnd	name of the output file providing the Soil/rock average (in DtPlotPoint)
	temperature values at various depths written just once at the end
SoilIceContentProfileFile	name of the output file providing the Soil/rock instantaneous ice con-
	tent values at various depths
SoilIceContentProfileFileWriteEnd	name of the output file providing the Soil/rock instantaneous ice con-
	tent values at various depths written just once at the end
SoilAveragedIceContentProfileFile	name of the output file providing the Soil/rock average (in DtPlotPoint)
	ice content values at various depths
SoilAveragedIceContentProfileFileWriteEnd	name of the output file providing the Soil/rock average (in DtPlotPoint)
	ice content values at various depths written just once at the end

Table 14.5: Keywords of output file related to soil

#### **Parameters**

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca /	Str/Num		
				Value	Vec	/ Opt		
DefaultSoil	0: use personal setting, 1:use default	-	0, 1	1	sca	opt		
SoilPlotDepths	depth at which one wants the data on	m		NA	vec	num		
	the snow to be plotted							
DateSoil	column number in which one	-		-1	sca	num		
	would like to visualize the							
	Date12[DDMMYYYY hhmm]							
JulianDayFromYear0Soil	column number in which one	-		-1	sca	num		
	would like to visualize the Julian-							
	DayFromYear0[days]							
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Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Str/Num /Opt	
TimeFromStartSoil	column number in which one would like to visualize the time from the start of the soil	-		-1	sca	num	
PeriodSoil	Column number to write the period number	-		-1	sca	num	
RunSoil	Column number to write the run number	-		-1	sca	num	
IDPointSoil	column number in which one would like to visualize the IDpoint	-		-1	sca	num	

Table 14.6: Keywords defining the column number where to print the desired variable in the output files for the soil variables

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca /	Log /
				Value	Vec	Num
DefaultPoint	0: use personal setting, 1:use default	-	0, 1	1	sca	opt
DtPlotPoint	Plotting Time step (in hour) of the output	h	0, inf	0	vec	num
	for specified pixels (0 means the it is not					
	plotted)					
DatePoint	column number in which one would like	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	to visualize the Date12[DDMMYYYY					
	hhmm]					
JulianDayFromYear0Point	column number in which one	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	would like to visualize the Julian-					
	DayFromYear0[days]					
TimeFromStartPoint	column number in which one would like	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	to visualize the TimeFromStart[days]					
PeriodPoint	column number in which one would like	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	to visualize the Simulation_Period					
RunPoint	column number in which one would like	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	to visualize the Run					
IDPointPoint	column number in which one would like	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	to visualize the IDpoint					
ThawedSoilDepthPoint	column number in which one would like	-	1, 76	-1	sca	num
	to visualize the thawed_soil_depth [mm]					

Table 14.7: Keywords defining the column number where to print the desired variable in the PointOutputFile

## 14.2.2 Map Output

#### **Parameters**

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Str/Num /Opt
OutputSoilMaps	frequency (h) of printing of the results of the soil maps	h		0	sca	num

Table 14.8: Keywords of frequency for printing soil output maps

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## **14.2.3 Map names**

Keyword	Description
SoilMapFile	name of the file providing the soil map
FirstSoilLayerTempMapFile	name of the map of the temperature of the first soil layer
FirstSoilLayerAveragedTempMapFile	name of the map of the average temperature of the first soil layer
ThawedDepthMapFile	name of the output file providing the Thawed soil depth map
FrostTableDepthMapFile	name of the output file providing the Frost table depth map

Table 14.9: Keywords of print output maps for soil and rock thermal and hydraulic variables

### 14.2.4 Tensor names

Keyword	Description
SoilTempTensorFile	Name of the ensamble of raster maps corresponding to the temperature
	of each layer (if PlotSoilDepth≠0 it writes the value at the correspond-
	ing depths)
SoilAveragedTempTensorFile	Name of the ensamble of raster maps corresponding to the average tem-
	perature of each layer (if PlotSoilDepth \neq 0 it writes the value at the
	corresponding depths)
IceLiqContentTensorFile	Name of the ensamble of raster maps corresponding to the average ice
	content of each layer (if PlotSoilDepth≠0 it writes the value at the cor-
	responding depths)

Table 14.10: Keywords of print output tensor maps for soil and rock thermal and hydraulic variables

# **Chapter 15**

# Discharge at the outlet

# **15.1** Input

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Log / Num
SurFlowResLand	$(C_m)$ : coefficient of of the law of uni-	$m^{1-\gamma}$	0.01,	0.5	sca	num
	form motion on the surface $(v_{sup} =$	$s^{-1}$	5.0			
	$C_m \cdot h_{sup}^{\gamma} \cdot i_{DD}^{0.5}), \gamma$ defined below					
SurFlowResExp	$(\gamma)$ : Exponent of the law of uniform mo-	-	0.25 -	0.67	sca	num
	tion on the surface $v = C_m \cdot h_{sup}^{\gamma} \cdot i^{0.5}$		0.34			
ThresWaterDepthLandDown	$h_{sup}$ : Threshold below which $C_m$ is 0	mm		0	sca	num
	(water does not flow on the surface)					
ThresWaterDepthLandUp	$h_{sup}$ : Threshold above which $C_m$ is in-	mm		50	sca	num
	dependent from $h_{sup}$ (= fully developed					
	turbulence)	1				
SurFlowResChannel	Resistance coefficient for the channel	$m^{1-\gamma}$		20	sca	num
	flow (the same $\gamma$ for land surface flow	$s^{-1}$				
	is used)					
ThresWaterDepthChannelUp	$h_{sup}$ Threshold above which $C_m$ is in-	mm		50	sca	num
	dependent from $h_{sup}$ (= fully developed					
	turbulence).					
RatioChannelWidthPixelWidth	Fraction of channel width in the pixel	-		0.1	sca	num
	width					
ChannelDepression	Depression of the channel bed with re-	mm		500	sca	num
	spect to the neighboring slopes. It is					
	used to change between free and sub-					
	merged weir flow model to represent to					
	surface flow to the channel					
MinSupWaterDepthLand	minimum surface water depth on the	mm		1	sca	num
	earth below which the Courant condition					
	is not applied					
MinSupWaterDepthChannel	minimum surface water depth on the	mm		1	sca	num
	channel below which the Courant con-					
	dition is not applied					

Table 15.1: Keywords on input parameters to describe surface water flow on land and channel

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Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Scalar / Vec-	Logical / Nu-
					tor	meric
MinTimeStepSupFlow	minimum integration time step for the			0.01	sca	num
	integration (surface flow equation)					

Table 15.2: Keywords of input numeric parameters for the surface water balance equation settable in geotop.inpts

## 15.2 Output

#### 15.2.1 Point

#### **Files**

Keyword	Description
DischargeFile	name of the file providing the discharge values at the outlet

Table 15.3: Keywords of file related to point output variables

### **Parameters**

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca /	Log /
				Value	Vec	Num
DtPlotDischarge	Plotting Time step (in hour) of the wa-		0, inf	0	vec	num
	ter discharge (0 means the it is not					
	plotted)					

Table 15.4: Keywords defining which parameter to print on the DischargeFile

# **Chapter 16**

# **Basin synthetic outputs**

## 16.1 Output

### **16.1.1** Files

Keyword	Description
BasinOutputFile	name of the output file providing the Basin values
BasinOutputFileWriteEnd	name of the output file providing the Basin values written just once at the end

Table 16.1: Keywords of file name for the synthetic basin outputs

#### 16.1.2 Parameters

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Log / Num
DefaultBasin	0: use personal setting, 1:use de-	-	0, 1	1	sca	opt
	fault					
DtPlotBasin	Plotting Time step (in hour) of	h	0, inf	0	vec	num
	THE basin averaged output (0					
	means the it is not plotted)					
DateBasin	column in which one would like	-	1, 24	-1	sca	num
	to visualize the Date12 [DDM-					
	MYYYYhhmm]					
JulianDayFromYear0Basin	column in which one would	-	1, 24	-1	sca	num
	like to visualize the Julian-					
	DayFromYear0[days]					
TimeFromStartBasin	column in which one would like to	-	1, 24	-1	sca	num
	visualize the TimeFromStart[days]					
PeriodBasin	column in which one would like to	-	1, 24	-1	sca	num
	visualize the Simulation_Period					
RunBasin	column in which one would like to	-	1, 24	-1	sca	num
	visualize the Run					
PRainNetBasin	column in which one	-	1, 24	-1	sca	num
	would like to visualize the					
	Prain_below_canopy[mm]					
PSnowNetBasin	column in which one	-	1, 24	-1	sca	num
	would like to visualize the					
	Psnow_below_canopy[mm]					
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Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Log / Num
PRainBasin	column in which one would like to visualize the Prain_above_canopy[mm]	-	1, 24	-1	sca	num
PSnowBasin	column in which one would like to visualize the Prain_above_canopy[mm]	-	1, 24	-1	sca	num
AirTempBasin	column in which one would like to visualize the Tair[°C]	-	1, 24	-1	sca	num
TSurfBasin	column in which one would like to visualize the Tsurface[°C]	-	1, 24	-1	sca	num
TvegBasin	column in which one would like to visualize the Tvegetation[°C]	-	1, 24	-1	sca	num
EvapSurfaceBasin	column in which one would like to visualize the Evap_surface[mm]	-	1, 24	-1	sca	num
TraspCanopyBasin	column in which one would like to visualize the Transpira- tion_canopy[mm]	-	1, 24	-1	sca	num
LEBasin	column in which one would like to visualize the LE[W/m <sup>2</sup> ]	-	1, 24	-1	sca	num
HBasin	column in which one would like to visualize the H[W/m <sup>2</sup> ]	-	1, 24	-1	sca	num
SWNetBasin	column in which one would like to visualize the SW[W/m²]	-	1, 24	-1	sca	num
LWNetBasin	column in which one would like to visualize the LW[W/m²]	-	1, 24	-1	sca	num
LEvBasin	column in which one would like to visualize the LEv[W/m²]	-	1, 24	-1	sca	num
HvBasin	column in which one would like to visualize the Hv[W/m²]	-	1, 24	-1	sca	num
SWvBasin	column in which one would like to visualize the SWv[W/m <sup>2</sup> ]	-	1, 24	-1	sca	num
LWvBasin	column in which one would like to visualize the LWv[W/m²]	-	1, 24	-1	sca	num
SWinBasin	column in which one would like to visualize the SWin[W/m²]	-	1, 24	-1	sca	num
LWinBasin	column in which one would like to visualize the LWin[W/m²]	-	1, 24	-1	sca	num
MassErrorBasin	column in which one would like to visualize the Mass_balance_error[mm]	-	1, 24	-1	sca	num

Table 16.2: Keywords of print parameters to personalize the BasinOutputFile

## 16.1.3 Headers

Keyword	Description	Associated file	
HeaderDateBasin	column name in the file BasinOutputFile for the	BasinOutputFile	
	variable DateBasin		
HeaderJulianDayFromYear0Basin	column name in the file BasinOutputFile for the	BasinOutputFile	
	variable JulianDayFromYear0Basin		
HeaderTimeFromStartBasin	column name in the file BasinOutputFile for the	BasinOutputFile	
	variable TimeFromStartBasin		
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Variwand	continued from previous page  Keyword Description Associated file					
Keyword HeaderPeriodBasin	<b>Description</b>					
	column name in the file BasinOutputFile for the variable PeriodBasin	BasinOutputFile				
HeaderRunBasin	column name in the file BasinOutputFile for the variable RunBasin	BasinOutputFile				
HeaderPRainNetBasin	column name in the file BasinOutputFile for the variable PRainNetBasin	BasinOutputFile				
HeaderPSnowNetBasin	column name in the file BasinOutputFile for the variable PSnowNetBasin	BasinOutputFile				
HeaderPRainBasin	column name in the file BasinOutputFile for the variable PRainBasin	BasinOutputFile				
HeaderPSnowBasin	column name in the file BasinOutputFile for the variable PSnowBasin	BasinOutputFile				
HeaderAirTempBasin	column name in the file BasinOutputFile for the variable AirTempBasin	BasinOutputFile				
HeaderTSurfBasin	column name in the file BasinOutputFile for the variable TSurfBasin	BasinOutputFile				
HeaderTvegBasin	column name in the file BasinOutputFile for the variable TvegBasin	BasinOutputFile				
HeaderEvapSurfaceBasin	column name in the file BasinOutputFile for the variable EvapSurfaceBasin	BasinOutputFile				
HeaderTraspCanopyBasin	column name in the file BasinOutputFile for the variable TraspCanopyBasin	BasinOutputFile				
HeaderLEBasin	column name in the file BasinOutputFile for the variable LEBasin	BasinOutputFile				
HeaderHBasin	column name in the file BasinOutputFile for the variable HBasin	BasinOutputFile				
HeaderSWNetBasin	column name in the file BasinOutputFile for the variable SWNetBasin	BasinOutputFile				
HeaderLWNetBasin	column name in the file BasinOutputFile for the variable LWNetBasin	BasinOutputFile				
HeaderLEvBasin	column name in the file BasinOutputFile for the variable LEvBasin	BasinOutputFile				
HeaderHvBasin	column name in the file BasinOutputFile for the variable HvBasin	BasinOutputFile				
HeaderSWvBasin	column name in the file BasinOutputFile for the variable SWvBasin	BasinOutputFile				
HeaderLWvBasin	column name in the file BasinOutputFile for the variable LWvBasin	BasinOutputFile				
HeaderSWinBasin	column name in the file BasinOutputFile for the variable SWinBasin	BasinOutputFile				
HeaderLWinBasin	column name in the file BasinOutputFile for the variable LWinBasin	BasinOutputFile				
HeaderMassErrorBasin	column name in the file BasinOutputFile for the variable MassErrorBasin	BasinOutputFile				

Table 16.3: Keywords of headers to personalize the column names of the BasinOutputFile

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# **Chapter 17**

# **Boundary and Initial Conditions**

## 17.1 Boundary Conditions

### 17.1.1 Energy balance equation

#### **Dirichlet**

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca /	Log /
				Value	Vec	Num
ZeroTempAmplitDepth	Zero annual amplitude depth (ZAA): depth at which the annual temperature remains constant. It is used as the bottom boundary condition of the heat equation. The Zero flux condition can be assigned setting this parameter at a very high value	mm		1.00E+20	sca	num
ZeroTempAmplitTemp	Temperature at the depth assigned above	°C		20	sca	num

Table 17.1: Keywords of boundary condition for the energy balance equation

#### Neumann

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Sca / Vec	Log / Num
BottomBoundaryHeatFlux	Incoming heat flux at the bot-	$\mathrm{W}\mathrm{m}^{-2}$		0	sca	num
	tom boundary of the soil domain					
	(geothermal heat flux)					

Table 17.2: Keywords of boundary condition for the energy balance equation

### 17.1.2 Water balance equation

#### Neumann

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Sca /	Log /
				Value	Vec	Num
FreeDrainageAtBottom	Boundary condition on Richards'	-	0,1	0	sca	num
	equation at the bottom border (1:					
	free drainage, 0: no flux)					
FreeDrainageAtLateralBorder	Boundary condition on Richards'	-	0,1	1	sca	num
	equation at the lateral border (1:					
	free drainage, 0: no flux)					
PointDepthFreeSurface	depth of the trench that simu-	mm		NA	vec	num
	lates the drainage of a soil column					
	through a weir. The deeper the					
	trench, the higher the drainage.					
	Valid in 1D simulations					

Table 17.3: Keywords of boundary condition for the energy balance equation

### 17.2 Initial Conditions

### 17.2.1 Snow

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Scalar / Vector	Log / Num
InitSWE	Initial snow water equivalent (SWE) - used if no snow map is given	kg m <sup>-2</sup>		0	sca	num
InitSnowDensity	Initial snow density - uniform with depth	kg m <sup>-3</sup>		200	sca	num
InitSnowTemp	Initial snow temperature - uniform with depth	°C		-3	sca	num
InitSnowAge	Initial snow age	days		0	sca	num

Table 17.4: Keywords for the input of initial conditions

#### **17.2.2** Glacier

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Scalar /	Log /
				Value	Vector	Num
InitGlacierDepth	Initial glacier depth - used if no	mm		0	sca	num
	snow map is given					
InitGlacierDensity	Initial glacier density - uniform	${\rm kg}~{\rm m}^{-3}$		800	sca	num
	with depth					
InitGlacierTemp	Initial glacier temperature - uniform	°C		-3	sca	num
	with depth					

Table 17.5: Keywords for the input of initial conditions

#### 17.2.3 Soil / Rock

Water balance equation

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default	Scalar /	Log /
				Value	Vector	Num
InitWaterTableHeightOverTopoSurface	initial condition on water table depth (positive down- wards from ground surface). Used if InitSoilPressure is void	mm		0	sca	num
InitSoilPressure		mm		NA	vec	num
InitSoilPressureBedrock		mm		NA	vec	num

Table 17.6: Keywords for the input of initial conditions

## **Energy balance equation**

Keyword	Description	M. U.	range	Default Value	Scalar / Vector	Log / Num
IInitSoilTemp		°C		5	vec	num
InitSoilTempBedrock		°C		5	vec	num

Table 17.7: Keywords for the input of initial conditions settable in geotop.inpts

# Chapter 18

# **Templates**

In order to introduce the user to a first use of the model, two examples are provided to illustrate how to start a simulation and obtain results. The key ideas embedded in the input-out structure are flexibility and self-explanatory names for variables and files.

All input-output parameters and the simulation control parameters are given in the itgeotop.inpts file. A log-file is generated as a track of the simulation, it summarizes the parameter set chosen for the simulation and the time evolution, i.e. the percentage of simulation completed and the amount of time required to complete it. If the simulation is long or convergency problems are encountered, this file can be very large. If the simulation is completed a SUCCESSFUL-RUN empty file is created, alternatively a FAILED file is printed out. If the simulation is rerun new files are generated and old files are renamed with .old

Default values are assigned to several variables, assuming the simulation is 3D, if the users wants to change the default status, appropriate flags need to be assigned.

#### **18.1 1D simulation**

Some processes are mainly 1-dimensional, therefore they can be investigated using GEOtop in a simplified manner. In such a way the computational domain is reduced to one vertical column aligned to a Cartesian grid. Processes related to soil temperature and snow profiles can be studied in one dimension.

Input-output and controlling simulation parameters are assigned in the *geotop.inpts* file, together with the keyword specific for the 1D simulation. In order to traduce a real case study into a scheme that can be handed by the model, the following elements have to be set:

- computational domain;
- initial conditions;
- boundary conditions;
- meteorological forcing;
- soil and snow thermic parameters.

The **computational domain** is set assigning the number of layers and their thickness in the SOIL PARAMETERS block (SoilLayerThicknesses).

The **initial conditions** can be assigned to soil, snow, watertable, ice and bedrock (Table 18.1). Initial conditions on soil temperature are assigned through the InitSoilTemp parameter in the SOIL PARAMETERS block, the initial conditions on snow are assigned through four parameters initial snow water equivalent (InitSWE), initial snow density (InitSnowdensity), initial snow temperature (InitSnowTemp), initial snow age (InitSnowAge). The initial watertable height can be defined through the InitWaterTable-HeightOverTopoSurface parameter, which takes negative value if the soil in unsaturated and 0 if it is saturated. Initial condition on ice depth, temperature and ice density can be set through the corresponding parameters InitGlacierDepth, InitGlacierDensity and InitGlacierTemp.

Dirichlet **boundary conditions** are assigned at the bottom boundary of the computational domain by setting the depth at which the temperature fluctuation due to external forcing is zero (ZeroTempAmplitDepth) and providing the constant temperature at such a depth (ZeroTempAmplitTemp). Both parameters can be found in the ENERGY BALANCE PARAMETERS block. Boundary conditions for the mass balance (Richards equation) are set by default to no flux (as reported in the log-file).

**Meteorological forcing** are assigned through the meteo-file, the horizon meteo-file and some parameters which specify the characteristic of the meteorological station and the sensor height in the METEO PARAMETERS block. There is one horizonmeteo file per meteorological station; they can be present to improve the shadow calculation. It describes the obstacles around the station in terms of two angles; one describes the angle on an horizontal plane between the North and the object; the other angle describes the height of the object along the vertical plane.

18.1.1D simulation

	Physical variables	Parameter name
Soil	soil temperature	InitSoilTemp
	soil pressure	InitSoilPressure
Snow	snow water equivalent	InitSWE
	snow density	InitSnowDensity
	snow age	InitSnowAge
Ice	ice depth	InitGlacierDepth
	ice density	InitGlacierDensity
	ice temperature	InitGlacierTemp
Water	watertable depth	InitWaterTableHeightOverTopoSurface
	water pressure within the bedrock	InitSoilPressureBedrock
	temperature of the bedrock	InitSoilTempBedrock

Table 18.1: Synoptic table of the initial conditions

**Soil and snow thermic parameters** are assigned for each layer in the SOIL and SNOW block through several parameters such as soil thermal conductivity and capacity (ThermalConductivitySoilSolids, ThermalCapacitySoilSolids). In addition, land cover characteristic are given in the LAND COVER PARAMETERS block.

#### **18.1.1 Parameter file:** *geotop.inpts*

Parameters are organized in 10 blocks; they can be flags which enable or disable functionalities in the simulation, keywords or values. The 10 blocks are listed in the followings:

- 1. Base Parameters (Table 18.2). This block contains 4 parameters which define the integration interval, the simulated time through the initial and end dates and whether the simulation has to be run more than one time; 3 flags defining whether the water and/or the energy balance calculations have to be switch on (1) and whether the simulation is 1D. The default case is 3D simulation which corresponds to setting the *PointSim* to 0 or, alternatively, not using it. The last two parameters are defined by the users.
- 2. Input files and Headers (Table 18.3). This block contains the keywords which define the column names for some input files, such as the meteo file, the horizon meteo file and the list point file.
- 3. Meteo Parameters: define the characteristics of the meteorological station/s. (Figure 18.1)
- 4. Energy Balance Parameters (Table 18.4). These parameters are necessary to solve the energy balance equation.
- 5. Water Balance Parameters (Table 18.4). These parameters are necessary to solve the Richards equation.
- 6. Land Cover Parameters (Table 18.5). These parameters allow for the surface roughness, reflectivity and emissivity characterization.
- 7. Soil Parameters (Table 18.6). These parameters allow the user to characterize the soil both in terms of geometry (number of layers and thickness) and hydraulic properties (van Genucten [1980] parameters).
- 8. Snow Parameters (Table 18.7). These parameters allow for snow characterization.
- 9. Output in a Point and Output Time Series (Figure 18.3) allow the user to define which output has to be printed and in which format.

For additional details see Tables ... Add REF to keyword table.

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Parameter / Keyword / Flag	value
TimeStepEnergyAndWater	3600
InitDateDDMMYYYYhhmm	12/07/2010 00:00
EndDateDDMMYYYYhhmm	15/08/2010 23:00
NumSimulationTimes	1
WaterBalance	1
EnergyBalance	1
PointSim	1
StandardTimeSimulation	0
DtPlotPoint	1

Table 18.2: Base Parameters.

Parameter / Keyword / Flag	value
PointFile	"listpoints"
HeaderPointElevation	"ele"
HeaderPointSlope	"slp"
HeaderPointAspect	"asp"
HeaderPointSkyViewFactor	"sky"
HeaderPointMaxSWE	"swe"
MeteoFile	"meteo"
HeaderDateDDMMYYYYhhmmMeteo	"date"
HeaderWindVelocity	"WindS"
HeaderWindDirection	"WindDir"
HeaderWindX	"WindX"
HeaderWindY	"WindY"
HeaderRH	"RelHum"
HeaderAirTemp	"AirT"
HeaderSWglobal	"SWglobal"
HeaderIPrec	"Iprec"
HeaderCloudSWTransmissivity	"CloudTrans"
HorizonMeteoStationFile	"horizonmeteo"
HeaderHorizonAngle	"Angle"
HeaderHorizonHeight	"Height"

Table 18.3: Input files and headers

Energy balance		Water balance	
Parameter / Keyword / Flag	value	Parameter / Keyword / Flag	value
LWinParameterization	9	FrozenSoilHydrCondReduction	2
MoninObukhov	1	RichardTol	1.E-8
HeatEqTol	1.E-5	RichardMaxIter	500
HeatEqMaxIter	500	RichardInitForc	0.01
ZeroTempAmplitDepth	20100		
ZeroTempAmplitTemp	-1.25		

Table 18.4: Parameters used for solving the energy balance and Richards equation.

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Parameter / Keyword / Flag	value
SoilRoughness	100
ThresSnowSoilRough	5
AlbExtParSnow	3
SoilAlbVisDry	0.5
SoilAlbNIRDry	0.5
SoilAlbVisWet	0.5
SoilAlbNIRWet	0.5
SoilEmissiv	0.96

Table 18.5: Land cover characterization parameters

Parameter / Keyword / Flag	value
SoilLayerTypes	1
InitWaterTableHeightOverTopoSurface	-3000
SoilLayerThicknesses	100,100,100,
InitSoilTemp	0.34, 0.15, -0.03,
VerticalHydrConductivity	0.0001
ThetaRes	0
ThetaSat	0.2,0.2,0.2,0
AlphaVanGenuchten	0.0436,0.0436,0.0436,
NVanGenuchten	1.51,1.51,1.51,
ThermalConductivitySoilSolids	2.3
ThermalCapacitySoilSolids	2.3E+06

Table 18.6: Soil characterization parameters

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value
0.96
0.72
0
0
180
-3
0
5
3
5, 30, 120, 5, 5
20, 100, 10000, 100, 50
1
1.6
25
70
-150
0.65
2
-1
0.94
0.1
0.9
0.65
0.02
0.7
1
100
1.5
1.E6
1.E2

Table 18.7: Snow characterization parameters

18.1.1D simulation

#### 18.1.2 Input files

The input files required to run a 1D-simulation in addition to the *geotop.inpts* file are the followings:

- meteo file;
- horizon meteo file;
- list point.

The **meteo file** contains a time series of meteorological data. If data for more stations are available, one meteo file per station needs to prepared before a simulation can be run; the same holds for the horizionfile. Using the meteo parameters in the *geotop.inpts* file the user can specify the number of stations and their characteristics, e.g. location, elevation, sky view factor, time shift with respect to UTC if any and sensors height. In case of more stations, scalar values are substituted by vectors (Figure 18.1). For flexibility purposes the user can specify the columns name of the meteo file through the keywords provided in the Input files and Header block in the *geotop.inpts* file, as shown in Figure 18.2. The quoted names to the right can be changed at the user's convenience. The same concept applies to the horizon meteo and list point files, whose column names can be defined through appropriate keywords (Figure 18.2).

The **horizon file** it describes the obstacles around the station in terms of two angles; one describes the angle on an horizontal plane between the North and the object; the other angle describes the height of the object along the vertical plane.

The **list point** file describes the morphological features of the points where the simulation is performed. If more than one point are listed in this file the simulation is run simultaneously run at multiple points. The features that have to be provided for each point are the point identification number, the elevation, the local slope, the aspect and the sky view factor.

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METEO PARAMETERS
                                                          METEO PARAMETERS
NumberOfMeteoStations =1
                                                       NumberOfMeteoStations =3
                                                       Latitude = 45.55000,45.15000,45.85000
Latitude = 45.55000
                                                       Longitude= 7.41000,7.11000,7.21000
Longitude= 7.41000
                                                       MeteoStationElevation = 3100,2900,2000
MeteoStationElevation = 3100
                                                       MeteoStationSkyViewFactor = 1,1,1
MeteoStationSkyViewFactor = 1
                                                       MeteoStationStandardTime = 0,0,0
MeteoStationStandardTime = 0
                                                       MeteoStationWindVelocitySensorHeight = 3,7,5
MeteoStationWindVelocitySensorHeight = 3
                                                       MeteoStationTemperatureSensorHeight = 3,2,2
MeteoStationTemperatureSensorHeight = 3
```

Figure 18.1: Example of meteo parameter sets, for one station on the left, for 3 station on right.

#### 18.1.3 Output files

The number and the type of output that GEOtop prints out can be decided by the user through the DefaultPoint parameter. If this is set to 1, GEOtop prints out all possible output, as listed in Table ... Add REF to keyword table; alternatively, the user can specify which output wants GEOtop to print by setting the DefaultPoint parameter to 0. In this case the headers of the wanted output have to be specified as well (Figure 18.3). This section of the parameter file allows the user to change the column name and position in the output files by using the appropriate keyword. e.g. IDPointPoint will be printed on column 4 and labeled *chose a name*. In the example shown in Figure 18.3, 22 columns will be printed into the file named point, as specified by the PointOutputFileWriteEnd keyword. This name can be defined by the user. In the presented example two are the output files *point.txt* and *soiTave.txt*. This is an option that can be decided by the users and additional files can be printed on demand.

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```
INPUT FILES and HEADERS
PointFile = "listpoints"
HeaderPointElevation = "ele"
HeaderPointSlope
HeaderPointAspect
                        = "slp"
                       = "asp"
HeaderPointSkyViewFactor = "sky"
HeaderPointMaxSWE = "swe"
MeteoFile = "meteo"
HeaderDateDDMMYYYYhhmmMeteo = "date"
HeaderWindVelocity = "WindS"
HeaderWindDirection = "WindDir"
HeaderWindX = "WindX"
HeaderWindY = "WindY"
HeaderRH = "RelHum"
HeaderAirTemp = "AirT"
HeaderSWglobal = "SWglobal"
HeaderIPrec = "Iprec"
HeaderCloudSWTransmissivity = "CloudTrans"
HorizonMeteoStationFile = "horizonmeteo"
HeaderHorizonAngle = "Angle"
HeaderHorizonHeight = "Height"
```

Figure 18.2: Input file Headers block in the geotop.inpts file

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```
! OUTPUT in a POINT
DefaultPoint = 0
DatePoint = 1
JulianDayFromYear0Point = 2
RunPoint = 3
IDPointPoint = 4
HeaderIDPointPoint="chose a name"
AirTempPoint = 5
HeaderAirTempPoint = "TempAria"
SurfaceEBPoint = 6
SnowDepthPoint = 7
SWEPoint = 8
SnowMeltedPoint = 9
SWupPoint = 10
SWinPoint = 11
SWNetPoint = 12
SoilHeatFluxPoint = 13
TsurfPoint = 14
WindSpeedPoint = 15
PsnowPoint=16
PrainPoint=17
LWinPoint=18
LWNetPoint=19
LWupPoint=20
HupPoint=21
LEupPoint=22
   OUTPUT TIME SERIES
! File with the errors and warnings MANDATORY
PointOutputFileWriteEnd = "point"
SoilAveragedTempProfileFileWriteEnd = "soilTave"
```

Figure 18.3: Output blocks in the geotop.inpts file defining column header and their position in the output file

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#### 18.2 3D distributed simulation

GEOtop can reproduce physical processes which are mainly characterized by 3D-dynamics, such as snow melt in mountainous area, atmosphere-vegetation interactions and soil-atmosphere interaction (in bare soil), infiltration, water redistribution through the soil and stream discharge generation (Figure 18.4). Such processes required the topography of the study area to be given as input to the model and mass balance equation to solved in three dimensions (energy balance equation is solved 1D given the prevailing vertical fluxes to horizontal). GEOtop uses a 3D-structured grid as shown in Figure 18.5. In addition, to investigate interactions between atmosphere and vegetation, and between soil and atmosphere, distributed information on landcover and soil type are required.

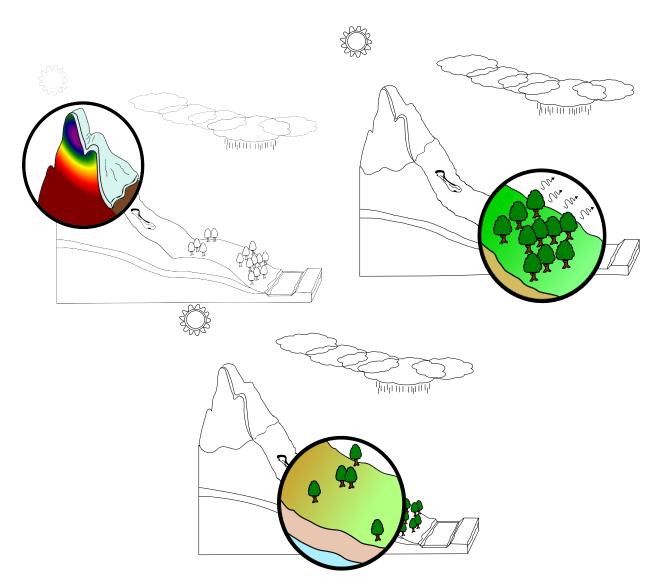


Figure 18.4: Physical processes typical of mountain hydrology which can be reproduced using a distributed, 3D model, such as GEOtop.

The example presented refers to a 2 day-run on a 0.7 km² alpine watershed. Data from only one station were available for this catchment. Soil type and landcover data were derived from satellite images and soil characterization (geomechanical properties and lithologic profiles) were derived from extensive field campaigns. In this respect GEOtop is a tool to handle post-processed Earth Observation (EO) data and distributed field data. The goal of this template is to show how the user can set up a distributed simulation.

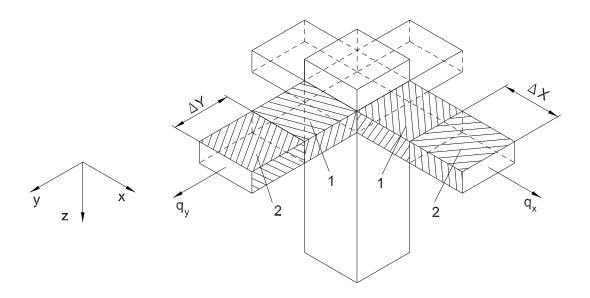


Figure 18.5: 3-dimensional grid structure implemented in GEOtop to solve the mass balance equation.

#### 18.2.1 Parameter file

The structure of the parameter files is analogous to what previously illustrated for the 1D case with few additional keywords and parameters which need to be add in order to print out distribute and aggregated results, such as maps and stream flow, see Table 18.8. The *DtPloDischarge* parameter specifies the print out stream discharge time series time step in hours (1), the *OutputSoilMaps* parameter specifies the print out time step for the stream discharge time series (24 hours). The barycentric latitude and longitude for the watershed has to supplied.

Parameter / Keyword / Flag	value
TimeStepEnergyAndWater	3600
InitDateDDMMYYYYhhmm	12/07/2010 00:00
EndDateDDMMYYYYhhmm	15/08/2010 23:00
NumSimulationTimes	1
WaterBalance	1
EnergyBalance	1
Latitude (avg)	46.3
Longitude (avg)	11.7
StandardTimeSimulation	0
DtPloDischarge	1
DtPlotPoint	1
DtPlotBasin	1
OutputSoilMaps	24
OutputSnowMaps	24
OutputSurfEBALMaps	24
OutputMeteoMaps	24

Table 18.8: Base Parameters for a 3D simulation. Units are specified in Table ADD REF TO KEYWORD TABLE

Raster file maps name have to be specified in the File names and Header parameters section as shown in Table 18.9. The number

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of available meteorological stations and their characteristics have to be specified in the appropriate parameter section.

Parameter / Keyword / Flag	value
PointFile	"listpoints"
HeaderPointElevation	"ele"
HeaderPointSlope	"slp"
HeaderPointAspect	"asp"
HeaderPointSkyViewFactor	"sky"
HeaderPointMaxSWE	"swe"
MeteoFile	"meteo"
HeaderDateDDMMYYYYhhmmMeteo	"date"
HeaderWindVelocity	"WindS"
HeaderWindDirection	"WindDir"
HeaderWindX	"WindX"
HeaderWindY	"WindY"
HeaderRH	"RelHum"
HeaderAirTemp	"AirT"
HeaderSWglobal	"SWglobal"
HeaderIPrec	"Iprec"
HeaderCloudSWTransmissivity	"CloudTrans"
DEMfile	"dem"
LandCoverMapFile	"landcovermapfile"
SkyViewFactorMapFile	"0sky"
SlopeMapFile	"0slope"
AspectMapFile	"0aspect"
CurvaturesMapFile	"0curvature"
SoilMapFile	"soiltype"
SoilParFile	"soil/soil"

Table 18.9: Input files and headers for a spatially distributed simulation.

The number of landcover and soil type categories have to be specified in the appropriate parameter section. In case the soil in the watershed is not homogeneous, the number of different soil type can be assigned to the SoilLayerTypes parameter (see Table 18.10) and a description for each soil type has to be provided. This is done through files stored in a user defined path specified by the keyword *SoilParFile* (Table 18.9). Soil characterization files must contain information on the layer thickness, hydraulic conductivity, residual and saturated moisture content etc. as specified by the keywords in Table 18.10.

In addition to what already said for the 1D case, distributed **Initial conditions** (IC) can be assigned using raster maps associated with a specific keyword which specifies the path to the file. E.g. the IC on the water table depth can be assigned through the keyword *InitWaterTableHeightOverTopoSurfaceMapFile*, the IC on initial snow height and initial ice depth can be assigned through the keywords *InitSnowDepthMapFile* and *InitGlacierDepthMapFile*.

In addition to what already said for the 1D case, lateral **boundary conditions** can be assigned through the keyword *FreeDrainageAt-LateralBorder*.

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Parameter / Keyword / Flag	value
SoilLayerTypes	28
InitWaterTableHeightOverTopoSurface	-1000
InitSoilTemp	5
ThermalConductivitySoilSolids	2.5
ThermalCapacitySoilSolids	2.3E6
HeaderSoilDz	"Dz"
HeaderLateralHydrConductivity	"Kh"
HeaderNormalHydrConductivity	"Kv"
HeaderThetaRes	"res"
HeaderFieldCapacity	"fc"
HeaderThetaSat	"sat"
HeaderAlpha	"a"
HeaderN	"n"
HeaderSpecificStorativity	"SS"

Table 18.10: Soil characterization parameters for a 3D simulation

```
! OUTPUT TIME SERIES
!----
DischargeFile = "tabs/discharge"
PointOutputFile = "tabs/point"
SnowProfileFile = "tabs/snow"
BasinOutputFile = "tabs/basin"
SoilAveragedTempProfileFile = "tabs/soilTave"
SoilAveragedTempTensorFile = "maps/T"
SoilLiqContentTensorFile = "maps/thetaliq"
IceLiqContentTensorFile = "maps/thetaice"
LandSurfaceWaterDepthMapFile = "maps/hsup"
SurfaceHeatFluxMapFile = "maps/EB"
SurfaceSensibleHeatFluxMapFile = "maps/H"
SurfaceLatentHeatFluxMapFile = "maps/LE"
SurfaceTempMapFile = "maps/Ts"
SoilLiqWaterPressTensorFile = "maps/pressure"
ThawedDepthMapFile = "maps/thawed"
WaterTableDepthMapFile = "maps/watertable"
SWEMapFile= "maps/SWE"
SnowDepthMapFile = "maps/snowdepth"
PrecipitationMapFile = "maps/Prec"
AirTempMapFile = "maps/Ta"
WindSpeedMapFile = "maps/WindSpeed"
WindDirMapFile = "maps/WindDir"
RelHumMapFile = "maps/RH"
```

Figure 18.6: Keyword setting for output files.

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The raster maps and input files which are strictly required to run a distributed simulation are the following:

#### 18.2.2 Input maps and files

- Digital Elevation Model DEM.
- Landcover map
- Soiltype map and a file characterizing each different soil type (Figure 18.8).
- Time series of meteorological forcing.

To improve the quality of the simulation additional raster maps derived from geomorphological analysis of the DEM can be supplied. These maps detail the morphology of the watershed allowing for more reliable calculations. These maps are: slope and aspect maps, curvatures along specified directions and a drainage direction map. They can by computed through sounded hydrological routines such as the Horton Machines ADD REFERENCES.

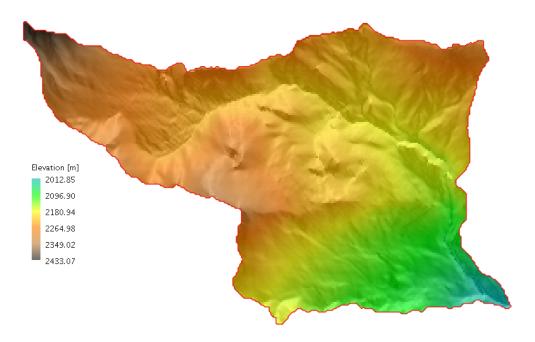


Figure 18.7: Digital elevation map of the investigated watershed.

```
Dz,Kh,Kv,res,fc,sat,a,n,SS
280,1.00E-07,1.00E-07,0,0.03,0.06,0.004,1.3,1.00E-06
500,1.00E-07,1.00E-07,0,0.03,0.06,0.004,1.3,1.00E-07
2000,1.00E-07,1.00E-07,0,0.03,0.06,0.004,1.3,1.00E-
```

Figure 18.8: Example of a soil type characterization file

The map resolution play an important role on the computational time therefore a trade-off between precision and the computational time has to be defined by the users. As a figure, the DEM used in this example is 5m resolution and counts 55648 cells in total.

#### **18.2.3** Outputs

GEOtop can yield two types of different outputs:

- raster maps
- time series (discharge, air temperature, evaporation, latent heat fluxes, etc.....) at specific points (Figure 18.10).

The output raster maps (Figure 18.9) have to be specified by the user through appropriate keywords in the parameter file (see Table 18.9), in addition, their output frequency has to be assigned through the *OutputXXXMaps* parameter.

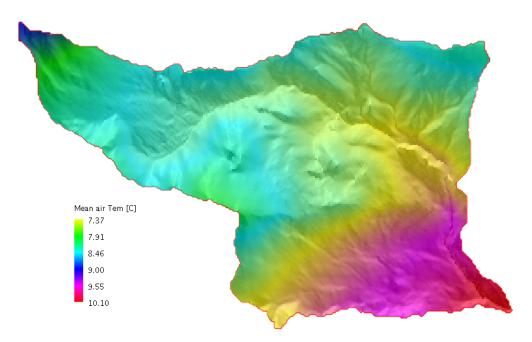


Figure 18.9: One of the many distributed output, the mean air temperature

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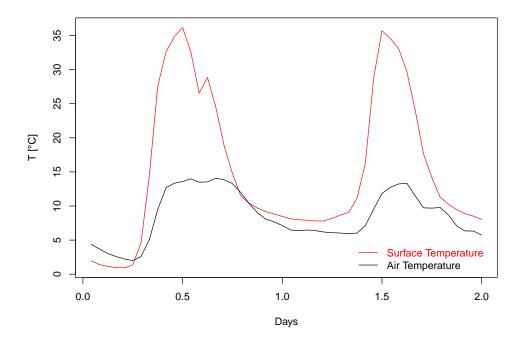


Figure 18.10: Two day-time series of mean air temperature output for a specified point

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