

RMM-NTUA – Reservoir Management Model

Model description

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Main modelling issues

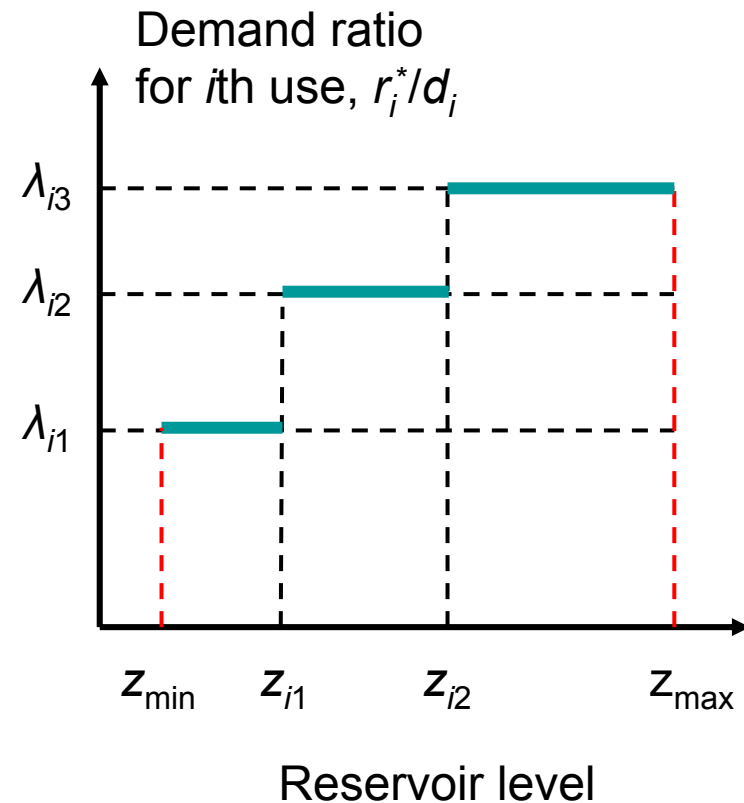
- Incorporating multiple water uses and assigning operation rules to each use.
- Taking into account all essential water balance components, including losses due to evaporation and leakage.
- Ensuring flexibility regarding time-scale (from daily to monthly).
- Providing a user-friendly interface to handle data.

Reservoir simulation model: Input data

- Time step and time horizon of simulation;
- Level-storage and level-surface data (given as point series);
- Characteristic levels (minimum, maximum, initial);
- Upstream watershed area;
- Time series of precipitation and evaporation depths;
- Runoff time series;
- Leakage function coefficients (monthly);
- Water uses properties (priority order, demand time series, operation rules).

Assigning operation rules

- Operation rules specify the desirable release, r_i^* , for the corresponding use i , as a function of the actual level, z .
- Desirable releases are expressed as ratios of the actual demand, d_i .
- For each use are assigned step functions, expressed as point series (λ_{ij}, z_{ij}) , where $z_{\min} \leq z_{ij} \leq z_{\max}$ and $0 \leq \lambda_{ij} \leq 1$.
- There is no limit on the number of (λ_{ij}, z_{ij}) pairs.



Overview of simulation (1)

- Inputs: Actual storage s_t , upstream runoff depth, q_t , precipitation depth, p_t , evaporation depth, e_t .
- Adjust inflow using the formula:

$$i_t = q_t (a - a_t) + p_t a_t - e_t a_t$$

where a_t is the actual surface and a the basin area.

- Subtract losses due to leakage, estimated by:

$$l_t(z_t) = \alpha z_t^3 + \beta z_t^2 + \gamma z_t + \delta$$

where z_t is the actual level and $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$ constants, varying with month (because leakage may depend on the seasonal fluctuation of water table).

- Actual water availability, before releases ($i = 0$), is given by:

$$s_{0t} = s_t + i_t - l_t$$

Overview of simulation (2)

- Reservoir releases are implemented following the water use hierarchy (for $i = 1, \dots, n$ uses).
- Assuming water use i , the corresponding desirable release is determined on the basis of the actual level and the actual demand, i.e. $r_{it}^* = \lambda_{ij} d_{it}$, where $\lambda_{ij} = f(z_t)$.
- Real release cannot exceed the actual useful storage, i.e.:

$$r_{it} = \min (r_{it}^*, s_{i-1,t} - s_{\min})$$

- Update water availability (= reservoir storage), i.e.:

$$s_{it} = s_{i-1,t} - r_{it}$$

- Recalculate reservoir level, as function of the new storage.
- When all uses are fulfilled, estimate spill by:

$$w_t = \max (0, s_{nt} - s_{\max})$$