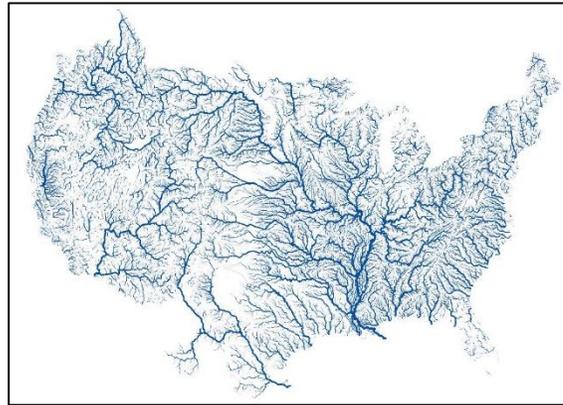


WRF-Hydro GIS Pre-processing Tool Overview

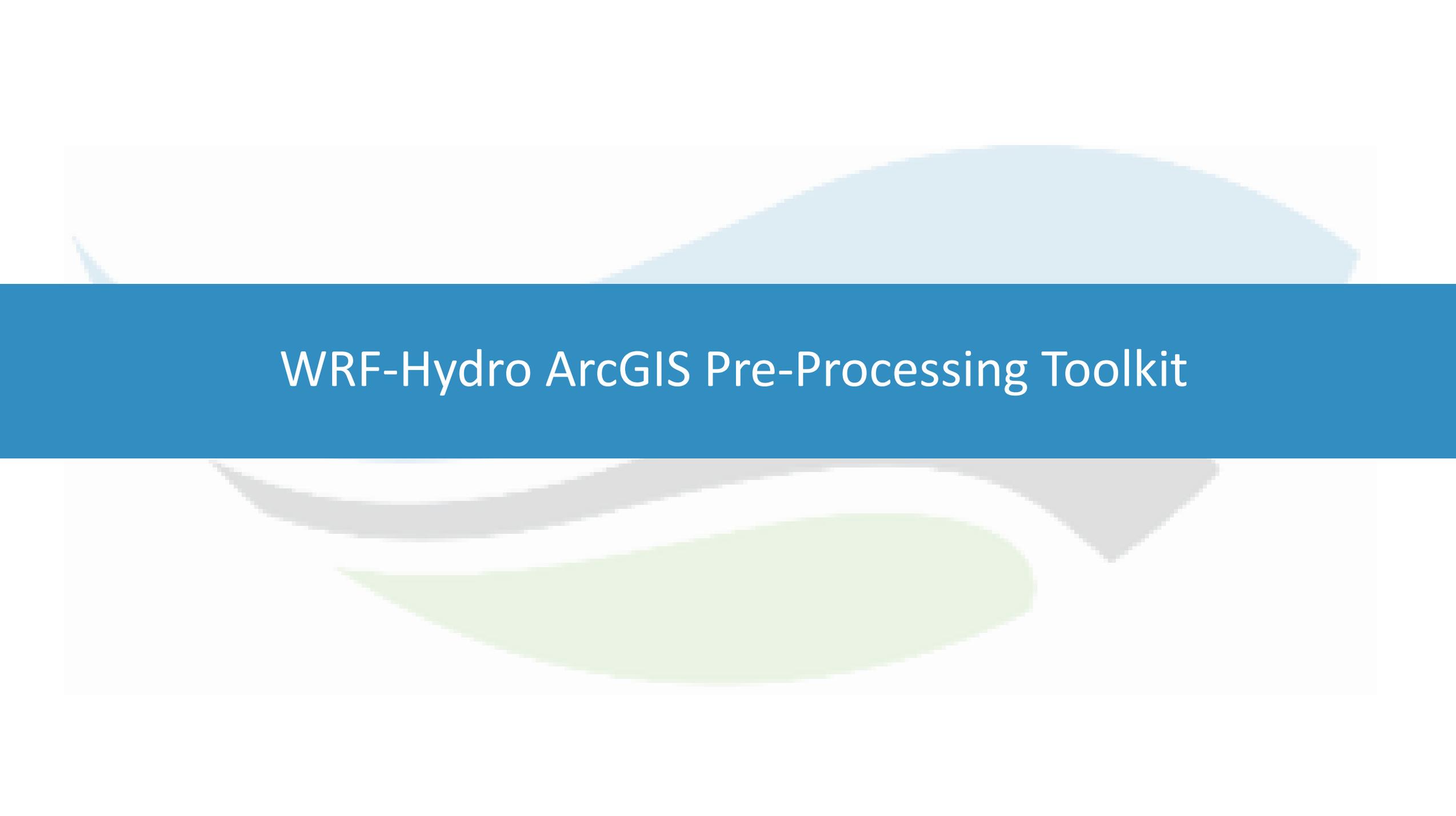


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Outline

- WRF Pre-processing
- WRF-Hydro ArcGIS Pre-processing tools
- Basic GIS terrain pre-processing for WRF-Hydro
- Demonstration: Generating WRF-Hydro Routing Grids



WRF-Hydro ArcGIS Pre-Processing Toolkit

WRF-Hydro GIS Tools

- Pre-processing tools, written in Python, using ArcGIS python API (`arcpy`)
- Variety of WRF-Hydro configuration options supported
- Fast, efficient method for producing the 'routing stack' necessary to run WRF-Hydro
- Consistent processing methodology between domains, regions, datasets
- Provides WRF-Hydro with a complete set of hydrologically processed routing grids and spatial metadata
- Removes the heavy GIS burden from modelers

 https://ral.ucar.edu/projects/wrf_hydro/pre-processing-tools

 https://github.com/NCAR/wrf_hydro_arcgis_preprocessor

- ▢  GEOGRID_STANDALONE.pyt
 - ▢  Processing
 -  Process GEOGRID File
 - ▢  Utilities
 -  Add Lake Parameters
 -  Add reach-based routing
 -  Build GWBUCKPARM Table
 -  Build Spatial Metadata File
 -  Create Domain Boundary Shapefile
 -  Examine Outputs of GIS Preprocessor
 -  Export ESRI projection file (PRJ) from GEOGRID file
 -  Export grid from GEOGRID file
 -  Generate Latitude and Longitude Rasters

Requirements

- ArcGIS for Desktop
 - Version 10.3.1 or higher
 - has been minimally tested with ArcGIS 10.4, 10.5, and 10.6 & 10.7 & ArcGIS Pro
 - Any license level (Basic, Standard, or Advanced)
 - Spatial Analyst extension required
 - Any Python version installed with ArcGIS Desktop
 - ArcGIS 10.3: Python 2.7.8, NumPy 1.7.1
 - Minimal functionality in ArcGIS Pro / Python 3.x
 - Not fully tested

Python Toolboxes

- Python script wrapped to act as an ArcGIS Toolbox



Toolbox
Script (.pyt)



Function
Script (.py)

- PYT file is the toolbox script containing multiple toolsets
 - Functions called from separate script (`wrf_hydro_functions.py`)
- Parameter handling and validation

Advantages

Easy to modify

Portable

Many tools organized

Python Toolboxes (.pyt)

- Toolboxes wrapped in Python script...

```
# --- Toolbox Classes --- #
class Toolbox(object):
    def __init__(self):
        """Define the toolbox (the name of the toolbox is the name of the
        .pyt file)."""
        self.label = "WRFHydro_GIS_Pre-Processor"
        self.alias = ""
        self.description = "This is a standalone ArcGIS geoprocessing toolbox for WRF-Hydro."

        # List of tool classes associated with this toolbox
        self.tools = [ProcessGeogridFile,
                      ExportGrid,
                      ExamineOutputs,
                      ExportPRJ,
                      GenerateLatLon,
                      SpatialMetadataFile,
                      DomainShapefile,
                      Reach_Based_Routing_Addition,
                      Lake_Parameter_Addition]

class ProcessGeogridFile(object):
    def __init__(self):
        """Define the tool (tool name is the name of the class)."""
        self.label = "Process GEOGRID File"
        self.description = "This tool takes an input WRF GEOGRID file in NetCDF format + \
                            " and uses the HGT_M grid and an input high-resolution elevation grid" + \
                            " to produce a high-resolution hydrologically processed output."
        self.canRunInBackground = True
        self.category = "Processing"

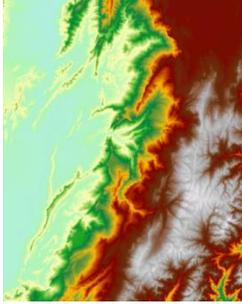
    def getParameterInfo(self):
        """Define parameter definitions"""

        in_nc = arcpy.Parameter(
            displayName="Input GEOGRID File",
            name="in_nc",
            datatype="File",
            parameterType="Required",
            direction="Input")

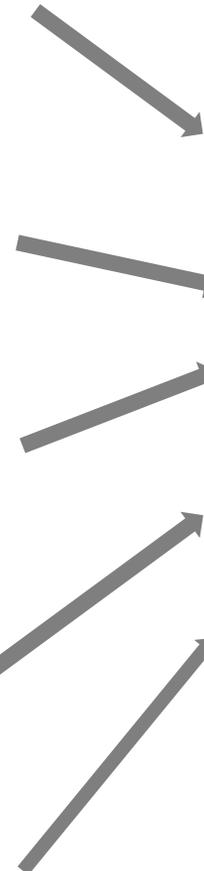
        in_csv = arcpy.Parameter(
            displayName="Forecast Points (CSV)",
            name="in_csv",
            datatype="File",
            #self.canRunInBackground = False
```

Preprocessor

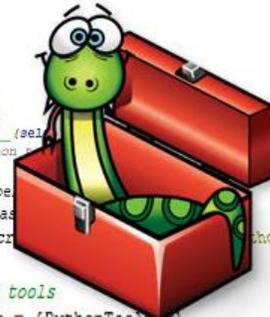
Inputs



Other parameters



```
import arcpy  
class Yoolbox:  
    def __init__(self):  
        """Python  
        self.labe  
        self.alias  
        self.descr  
        """  
        """Python tools."""  
        # List of tools  
        self.tools = [PythonToolbox]
```



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Outputs

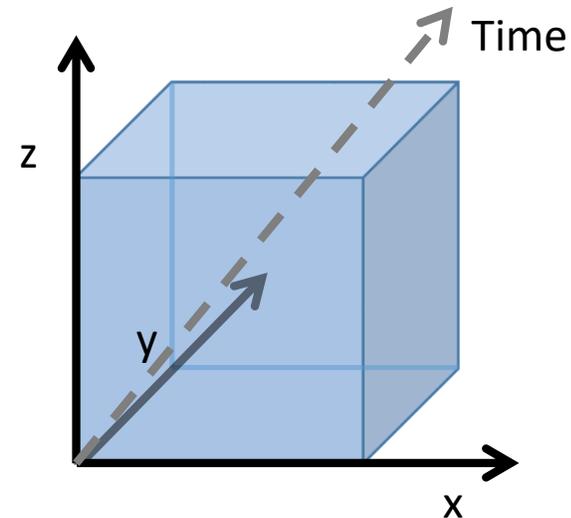


- FRNG_1km_250m_TestData_Full
 - Fulldom_hires.nc
 - GEOGRID_LDASOUT_Spatial_Metadata.nc
 - gw_basns_geogrid.txt
 - gw_basns_geogrid.prj
 - LAKEPARAM.nc
 - lakes.shp
 - Route_Link.nc
 - streams.shp



NetCDF File Format

- network Common Data Form
 - “.nc” extension
- Self describing
 - Includes information about the data coordinate system
- Machine independent
 - Usable in many operating systems
- Used extensively in Atmospheric Science
- Multidimensional
 - x,y,z,t



Fulldom File (Routing Grids)

- netCDF WRF-Hydro input file
- Full high-resolution domain file (Fulldom_hires.nc)
- Stores all routing grids as 2-dimensional variables
- Stores CF-compliant spatial metadata
 - grid_mapping
 - Projection information
 - Coordinate System variable
 - ArcGIS-compliant projection information
- Easy to import into GIS Applications (ArcGIS, QGIS)
- Ingested directly by WRF-Hydro

A Note on CF Metadata

- Climate and Forecast Conventions for netCDF data
 - Like a standard
 - Current version 1.7
 - <http://cfconventions.org/latest.html>
- CF conventions for just about any type of data
 - Gridded
 - Point
 - Profile
 - timeSeries
- CF-compliant netCDF files make them much easier to use in client applications
 - Panoply, ArcGIS, QGIS

Process Geogrid File

Process GEOGRID File

Input GEOGRID File

Forecast Points (CSV) (optional)

Mask CHANNELGRID variable to forecast basins? (optional)

Create reach-based routing (RouteLink) files? (optional)

Create lake parameter (LAKEPARM) file? (optional)

Reservoirs Shapefile or Feature Class (optional)

Input Elevation Raster

Regridding (nest) Factor

Number of routing grid cells to define stream

Output ZIP File

Parameter Values

OvROUGHRTFAC Value

RETDEPRTFAC Value

Process GEOGRID File

This tool takes an input WRF GEOGRID file in NetCDF format and uses the HGT_M grid and an input high-resolution elevation grid to produce a high-resolution hydrologically processed output.

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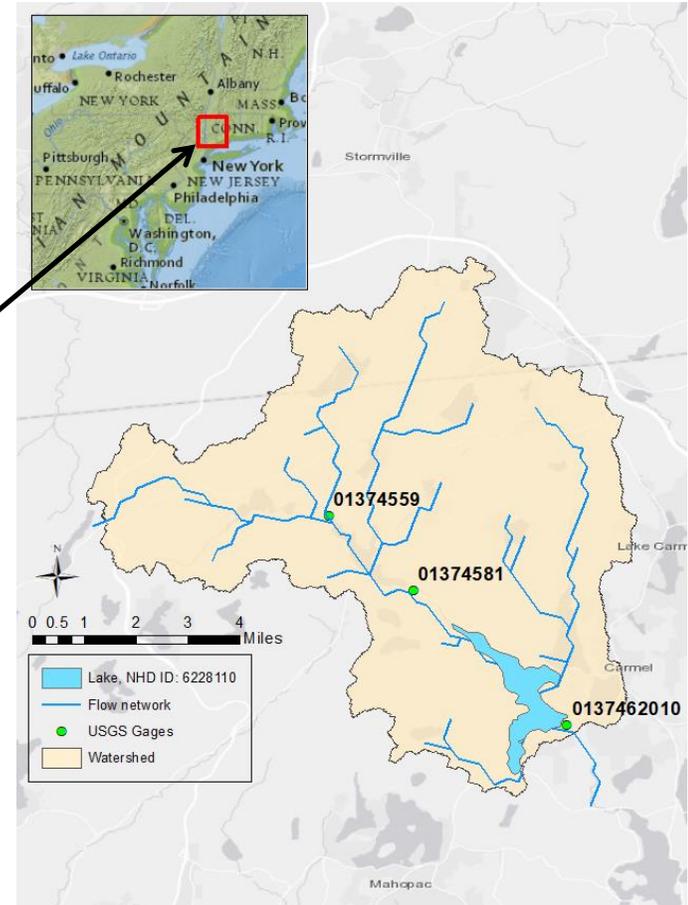
Inputs

- Required:
 - WRF GEOGRID file (.nc)
 - High-resolution Elevation
 - Elevation file (Esri GRID, GeoTIFF, etc.)
 - Mosaic Dataset
- Parameters
 - Regridding Factor – nesting relationship of routing:land grids
 - Minimum basin size (in routing grid cells)
 - OVROUGHRTFAC – constant
 - RETDEPRTFAC – constant
 - LKSATFAC – constant
- Optional:
 - Station Locations (.csv)
 - Lake Polygons (polygon feature class or .shp)

Model Domain

- Area of interest
- Defines model domain
 - Size
 - Location
 - Horizontal resolution
- Defined by GEOGRID file
 - Example:

 `geo_em.d03.nc`



Input: WRF Geogrid File

The purpose of the Geogrid file is to define the simulation domain and interpolate various static geographical datasets to the model grid.

- GEOGRID is used in the WRF-Hydro GIS Pre-processor to define the domain's coordinate reference system, extent, resolution, and certain 2D variables:
 - HGT_M (elevation)
 - LU_INDEX (landuse)
- Currently supported GEOGRID coordinate systems
 - MAP_PROJ = 1 (Lambert Conformal Conic)
 - MAP_PROJ = 3 (Mercator)
 - MAP_PROJ = 6 (Cylindrical Equidistant but NOT w/ rotated pole)
 - MAP_PROJ = 2 (Polar Stereographic)

GEOGRID: Projected Coordinate System

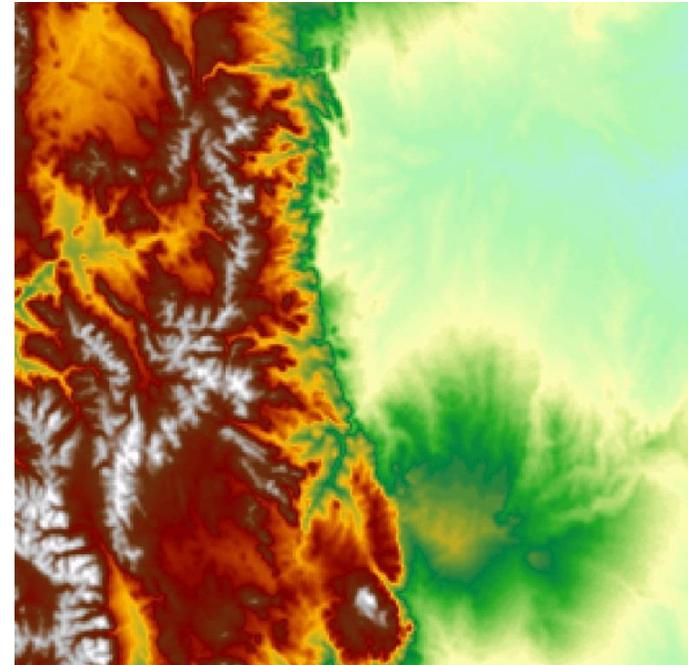
Front_Range_geo_em.d02.nc

```
:TITLE = "OUTPUT FROM GEOGRID V3.5.1";
:SIMULATION_START_DATE = "0000-00-00_00:00:00";
:WEST-EAST_GRID_DIMENSION = 50; // int
:SOUTH-NORTH_GRID_DIMENSION = 36; // int
:BOTTOM-TOP_GRID_DIMENSION = 0; // int
:WEST-EAST_PATCH_START_UNSTAG = 1; // int
:WEST-EAST_PATCH_END_UNSTAG = 49; // int
:WEST-EAST_PATCH_START_STAG = 1; // int
:WEST-EAST_PATCH_END_STAG = 50; // int
:SOUTH-NORTH_PATCH_START_UNSTAG = 1; // int
:SOUTH-NORTH_PATCH_END_UNSTAG = 35; // int
:SOUTH-NORTH_PATCH_START_STAG = 1; // int
:SOUTH-NORTH_PATCH_END_STAG = 36; // int
:GRIDTYPE = "C";
:DX = 1000.0f; // float
:DY = 1000.0f; // float
:DYN_OPT = 2; // int
:CEN_LAT = 39.940014f; // float
:CEN_LON = -105.42999f; // float
:TRUELAT1 = 30.0f; // float
:TRUELAT2 = 50.0f; // float
:MOAD_CEN_LAT = 39.940014f; // float
:STAND_LON = -105.0f; // float
:POLE_LAT = 90.0f; // float
:POLE_LON = 0.0f; // float
:corner_lats = 39.783337f, 40.093864f, 40.095993f, 39.940014f;
:corner_lons = -105.714264f, -105.71753f, -105.14442f, -105.42999f;
:MAP_PROJ = 1; // int
:MMINLU = "USGS";
:NUM_LAND_CAT = 24; // int
:ISWATER = 16; // int
:ISLAKE = -1; // int
:ISICE = 24; // int
:ISURBAN = 1; // int
:ISOILWATER = 14; // int
:grid_id = 1; // int
:parent_id = 1; // int
:i_parent_start = 1; // int
:j_parent_start = 1; // int
:i_parent_end = 50; // int
:j_parent_end = 36; // int
:parent_grid_ratio = 1; // int
:sr_x = 1; // int
:sr_y = 1; // int
:FLAG_MF_XY = 1; // int
}
```

WKT

```
"PROJCS['Lambert_Conformal_Conic',GEOGCS['GCS_Sphere',DATUM['D_Sphere',SPHEROID['Sphere',6370000.0,0.0]],PRIMEM['Greenwich',0.0],UNIT['Degree',0.0174532925199433]],PROJECTION['Lambert_Conformal_Conic'],PARAMETER['false_easting',0.0],PARAMETER['false_northing',0.0],PARAMETER['central_meridian',-105.0],PARAMETER['standard_parallel_1',30.0],PARAMETER['standard_parallel_2',50.0],PARAMETER['latitude_of_origin',39.9400138855],UNIT['Meter',1.0]];-36695400 -29251300 10000;-100000 10000;-100000 10000;0.001;0.001;0.001;IsHighPrecision"
```

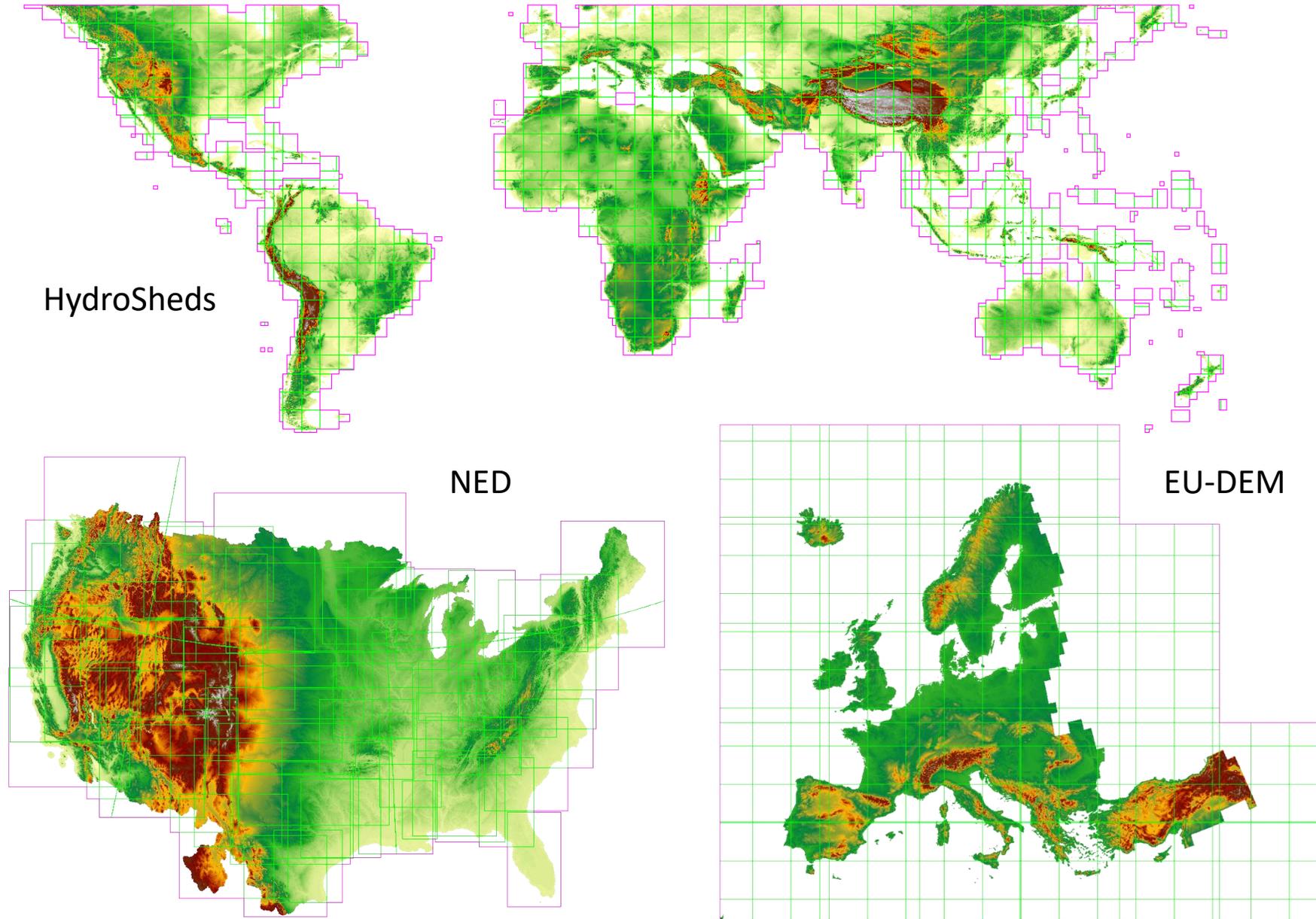
geo_em.d01.boulder_creek_1km.prj



Input Elevation Raster

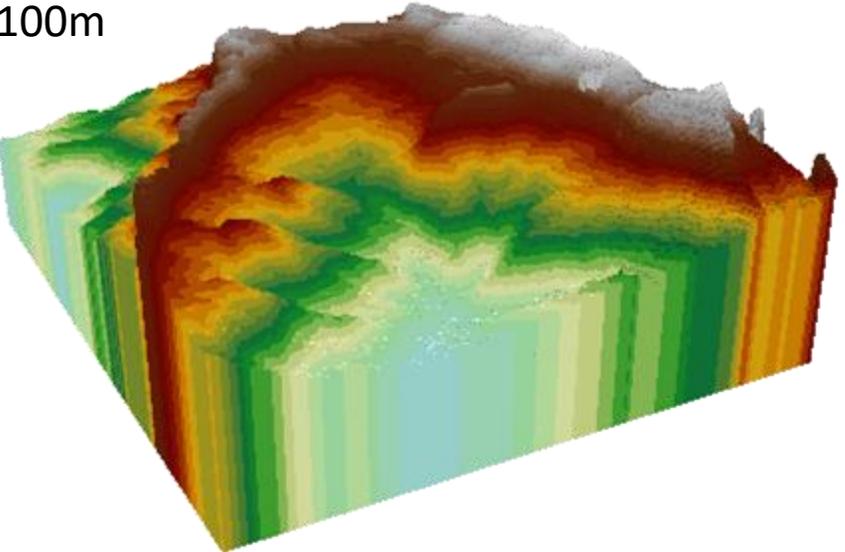
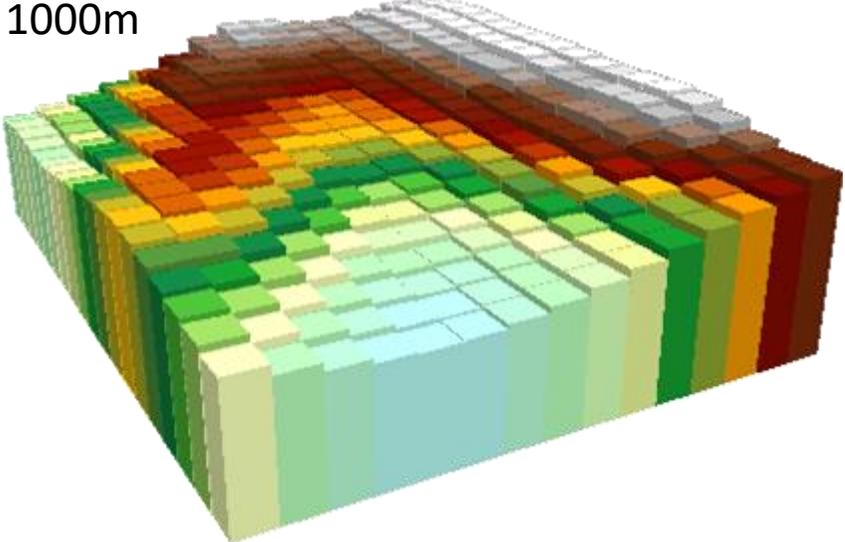
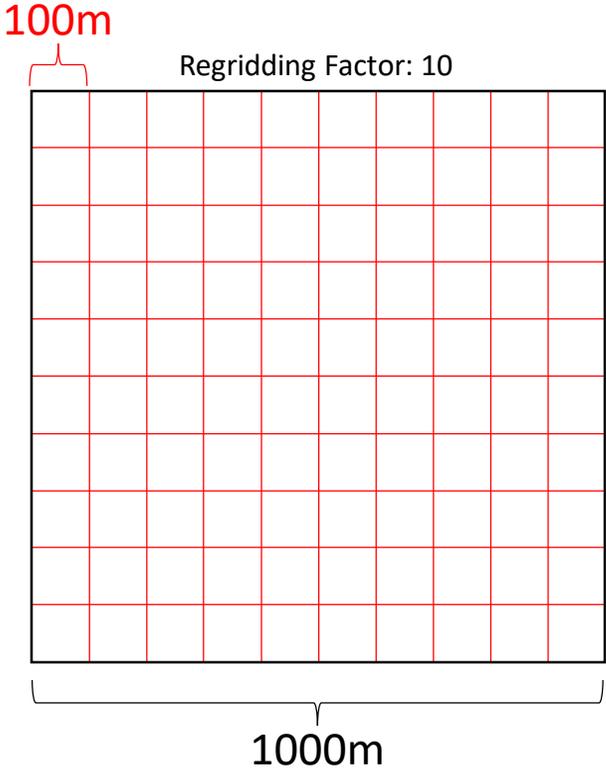
- Must be an ArcGIS-readable raster format
- Must contain valid coordinate reference system
- Must cover entire extent (and more) of your GEOGRID domain
- Elevation units must be converted to meters (m)
- Should be hydrologically corrected
 - Not necessary but helps with channel placement, hydro enforcement, etc.

Input Elevation Mosaics



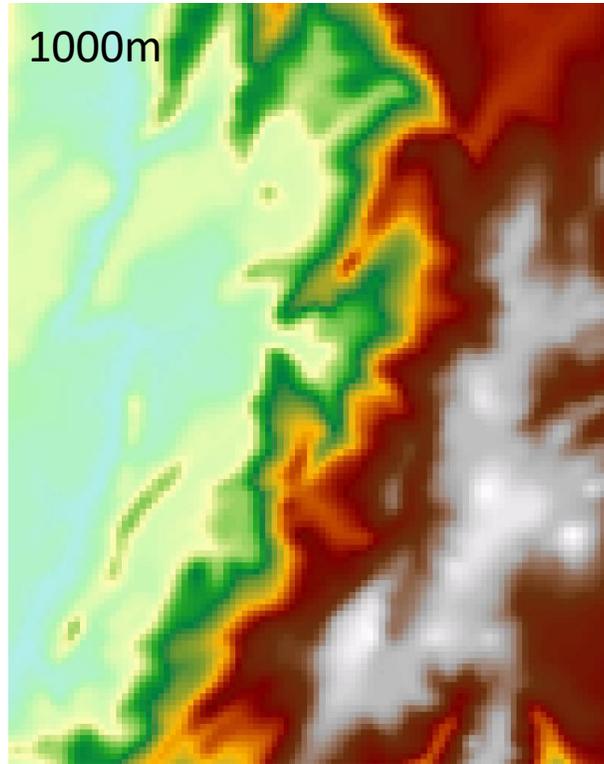
Input Regridding Factor

$$\frac{\text{GEOGRID Resolution}}{\text{Regridding Factor}} = \text{Routing Resolution}$$

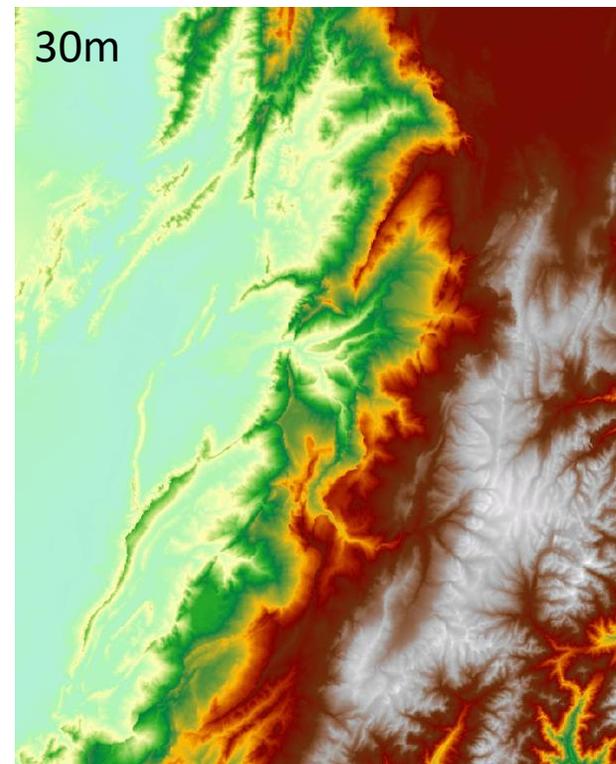


Raster Resolution for Terrain Processing

Model Resolution

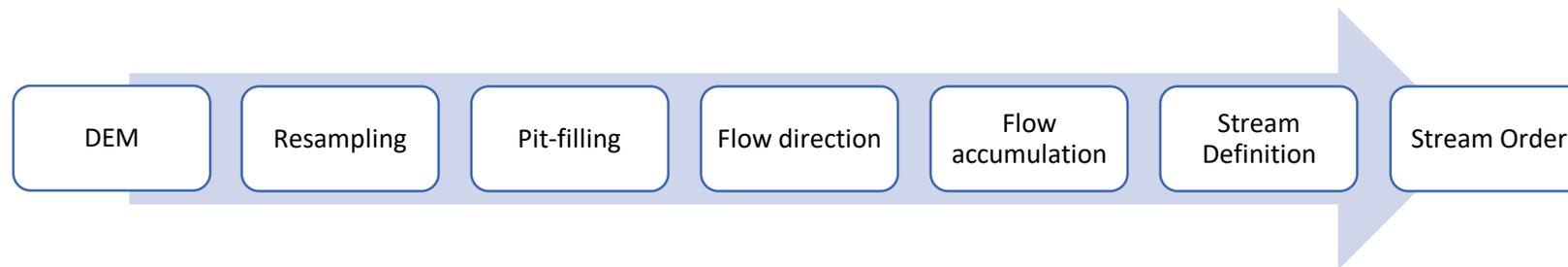


High Resolution



Terrain Pre-processing Workflow

- Resample high-resolution DEM and land use
- Void-fill the resampled DEM
- D8 Flow Direction
- Flow Accumulation
- Derive CHANNELGRID from flow accumulation raster using threshold of minimum basin size
- Derive Strahler stream order from CHANNELGRID

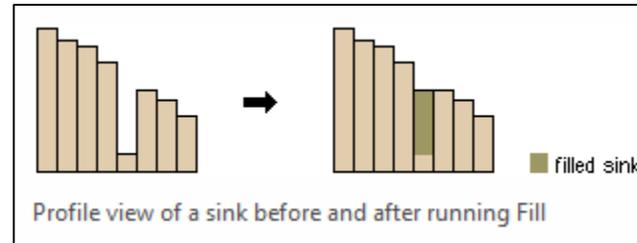


Basic workflow for terrain pre-processing of WRF-Hydro routing grids.

Reproject & Resample Hydro DEM

- Project input DEM to model projection and domain
- Resample to routing grid resolution
 - BILINEAR resampling uses a distance-weighted average of the 4 nearest cell centers.
- Re-projection and resampling can ‘break’ the input HydroDEM.
 - Causing artificial ‘pits’.
 - Filling in ‘burned in’ areas.
- Even though we start with a HydroDEM, we ‘break’ it, then re-condition it.

Spatial Analyst “Fill” Tool

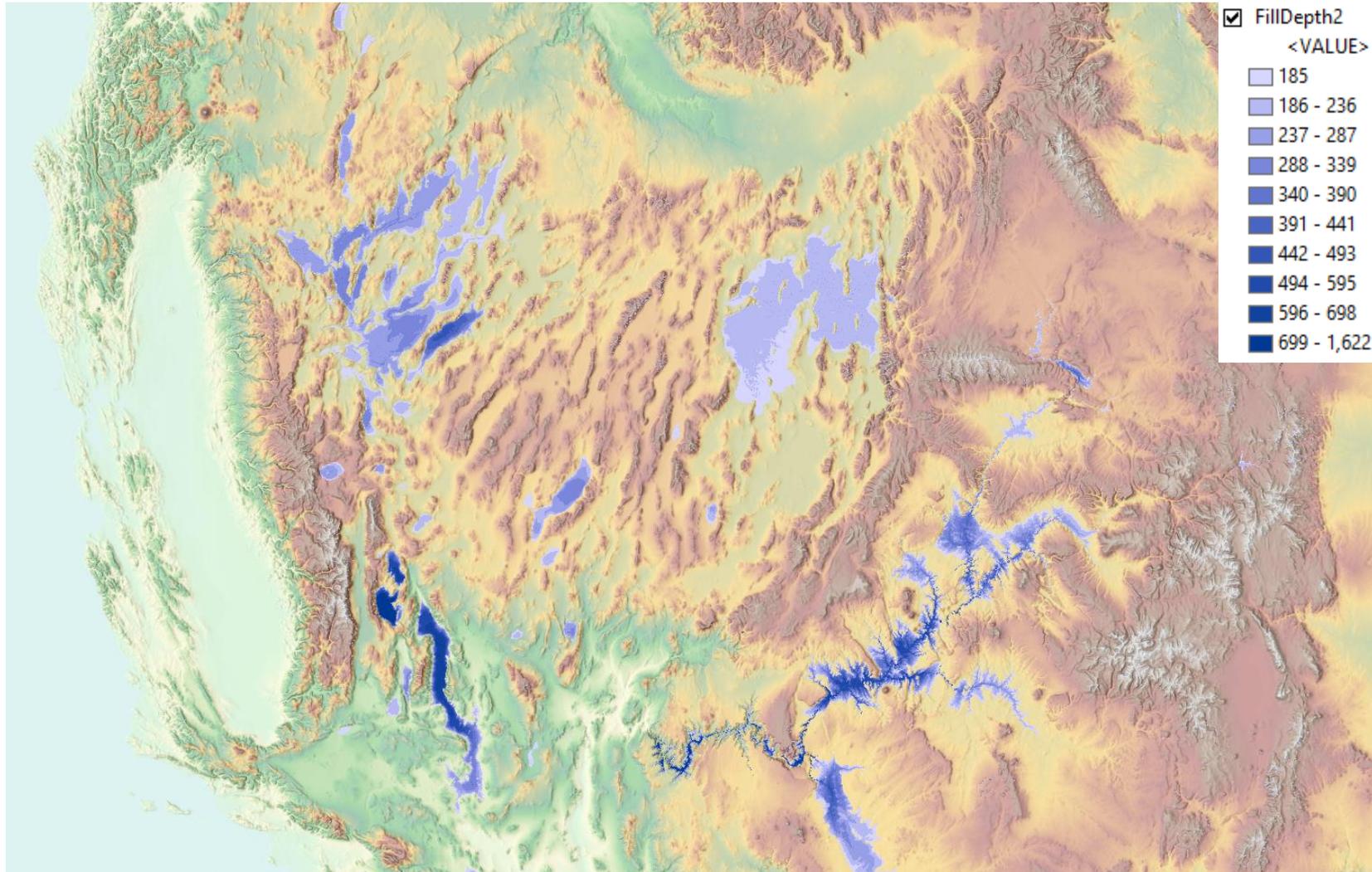


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- Fill depressions so that water can roll downhill only. This also creates a smoother Dem than you might find in nature.
- This simple hydro-enforcement method can resolve most flow issues in a DEM.
- Optional z-limit (global variable) to limit fill depth.

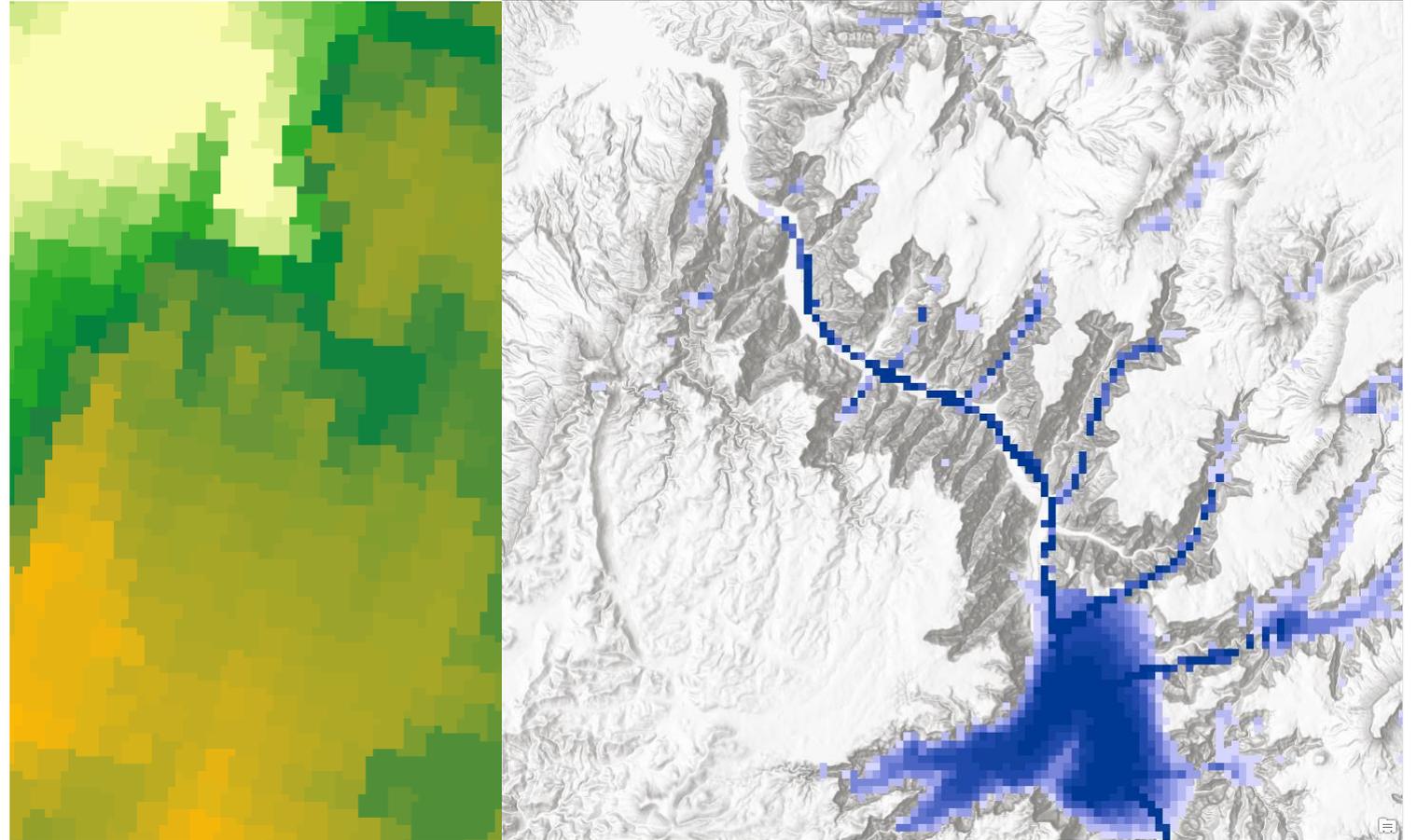
Pit Filling Issues

- ...some pits are natural, some are not.



Resampling can break hydrologic connectivity

- Coarsening a HydroDEM can break hydrologic connectivity.
- Try not to get too much coarser than input HydroDEM, or perform extensive hydro-enforcement on you input DEM first.
- Here, a canyon outlet is filled, causing entire valley to fill during pit-filling process.

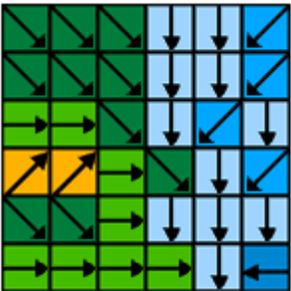


Flow Direction & Flow Accumulation

- D8 Flow Direction

| | | |
|----|----|-----|
| 32 | 64 | 128 |
| 16 | | 1 |
| 8 | 4 | 2 |

- Flow Accumulation

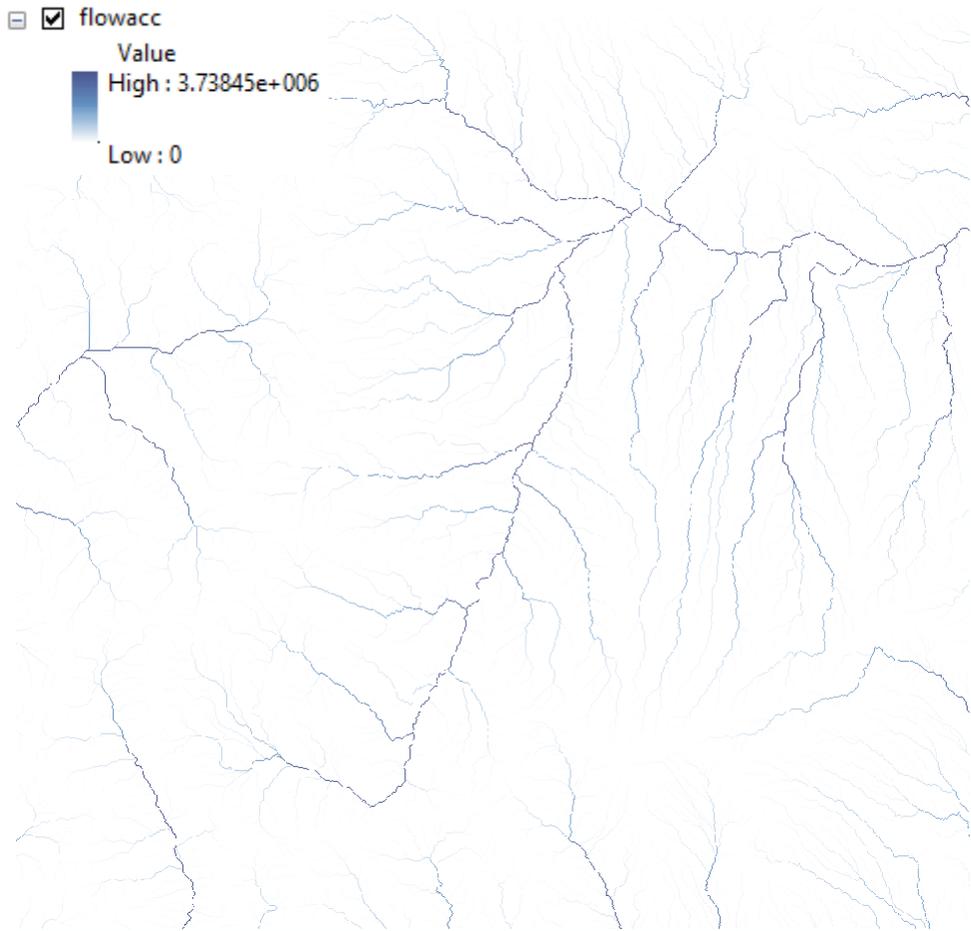


Flow direction

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|----|----|---|
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| 0 | 3 | 7 | 5 | 4 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 1 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 24 | 0 |
| 0 | 2 | 4 | 7 | 35 | 1 |

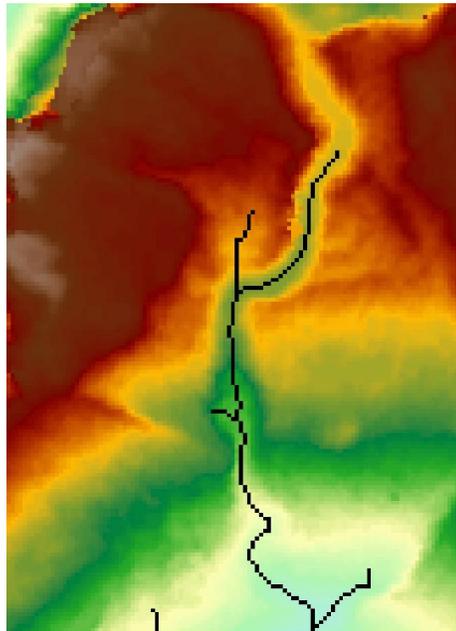
Flow accumulation

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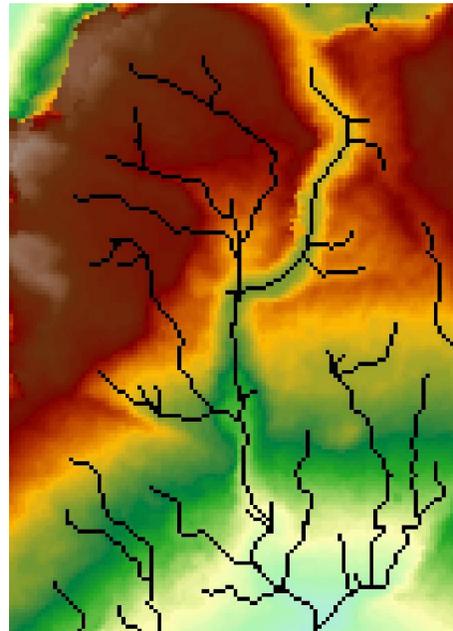


Stream Definition

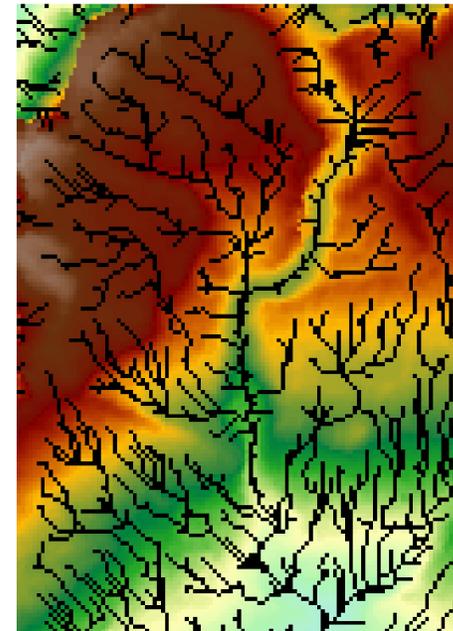
- Input Parameter: Number of pixels to define stream
 - Yields a minimum 'basin' size
 - Given in pixels (unitless), on the routing grid
 - Affects density of generated channel network



1km²



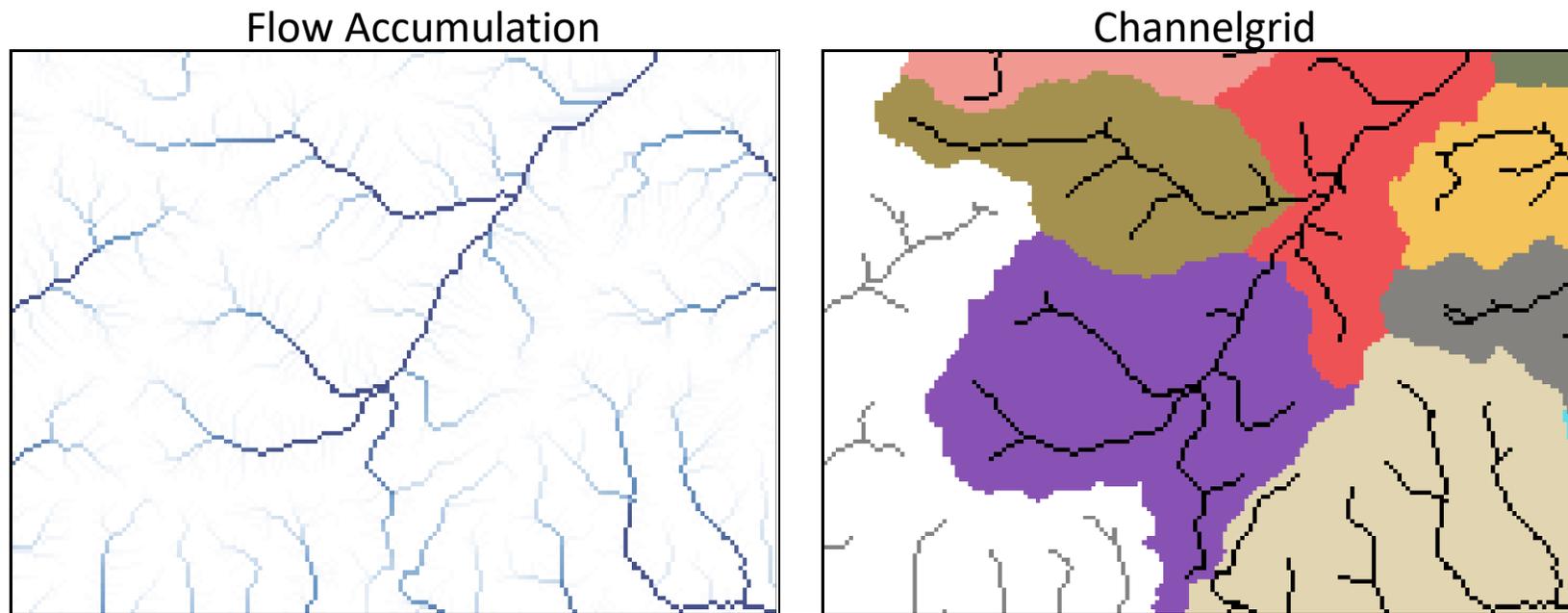
0.1km²



0.01km²

An analytic method for determining an appropriate threshold value for stream network delineation is presented in Tarboton et al. (1991)

Stream Definition



- Use flow accumulation threshold to define channels
- Option: use gaged basins as mask to assign CHANNELGRID values
- If reach-based routing is selected, **Stream to Feature** used to create vector geometry of streams
 - `streams.shp` shapefile written to output directory

Forecast Points

Input: Sta

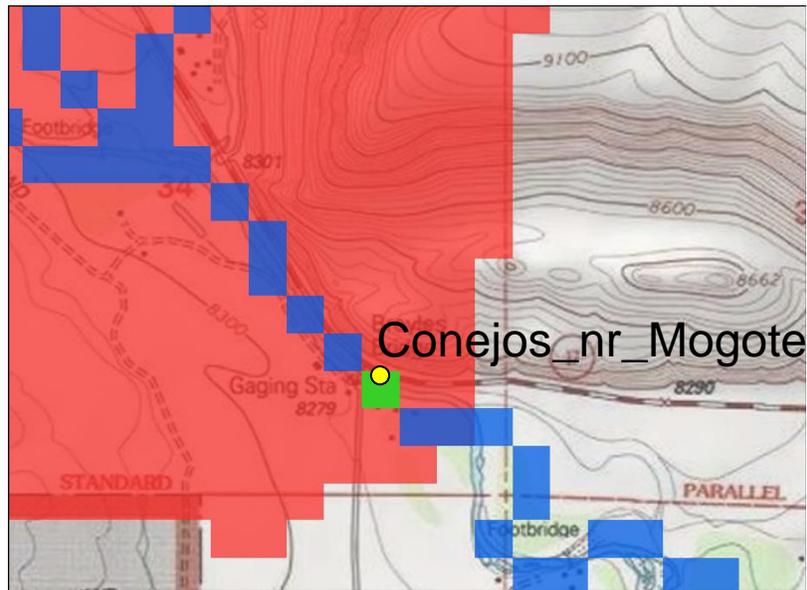
| FID_ | LON | LAT | STATION | Name | HOST | ELEV | DRAIN_AREA_SQMI | DRAIN_AREA_SQKM |
|------|------------|-----------|-----------------------|---------|------|-------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1 | -103.79889 | 40.26861 | S_PLATTE_at_FT_MORGAN | 6759500 | USGS | 4260 | 14627 | 37883.93 |
| 2 | -108.26556 | 39.23917 | COLO_at_CAMEO | 9095500 | USGS | 4813 | 8050 | 20849.5 |
| 3 | -104.39861 | 38.24806 | ARKANSAS_nr_AVONDALE | 7109500 | USGS | 4509 | 6327 | 16386.93 |
| 4 | -105.88002 | 37.481392 | RIO_GRANDE_nr_ALAMOSA | 8223000 | USGS | -9999 | 0 | 0 |

```
FID,LON,LAT,STATION,Name  
15,-105.92833,40.08139,Fraser_at_Granby,9033300  
18,-105.9,40.12083,COLO_nr_GRANBY,9019500  
20,-106.3333,39.8803,Blue_R_blw_Grn_Mtn,9057500
```

- Create in Excel, Numbers, Word, etc.
- Direct output of attribute table from shapefile or feature class
- “LON”, “LAT”, “FID” required
- If present, basins will be delineated using the points provided
 - `frxst_basns` output variable will be created
 - `frxst_pts` & `basin_msk` variables will be populated
- If masked to basins, CHANNELGRID will have values -1, 0, -9999

Process: Basin Delineation

- Snap points to streams
- ‘Walk’ down channel network a specified distance
 - Default = 3 pixel widths (global variable)
- Delineate basin using **Watershed** Spatial Analyst tool



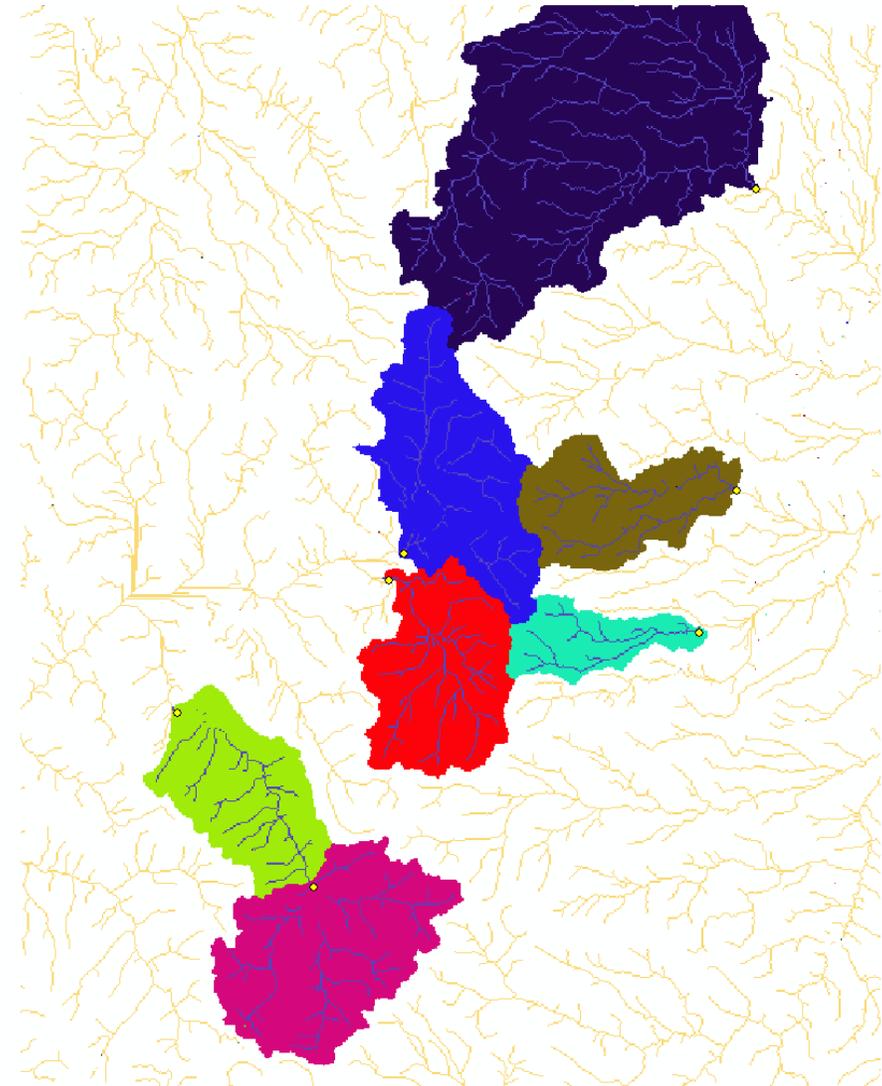
- Writes output file to:

`frxst_pts`

`basn_msk`

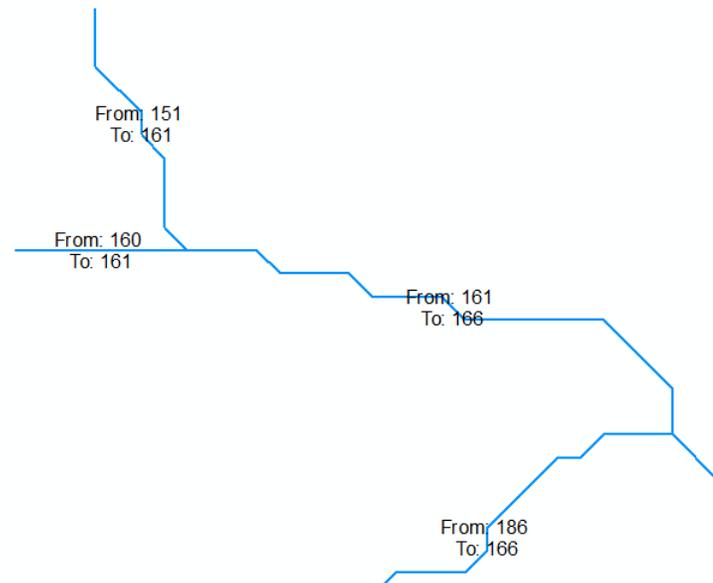
Basin Masking

- Option to 'turn off' channel networks outside gaged basins.
- If gages are provided and the option to mask CHANNELGRID to basins is selected.
 - Channel pixels inside gaged basins = 0
 - Channels outside = -1



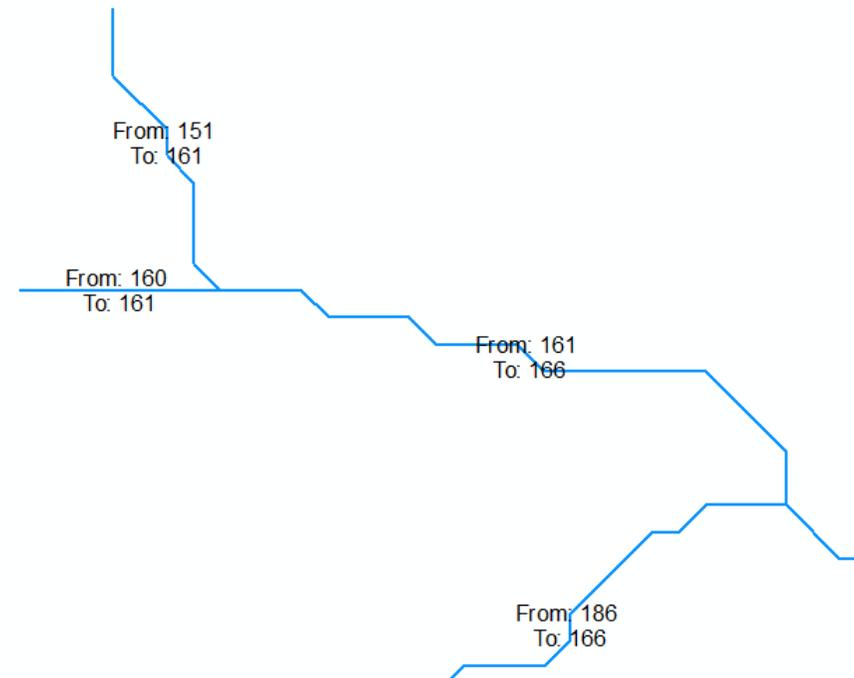
Reach-Based Routing Background

- A vector-based approach to routing flow
- Channel network is comprised of 'links' instead of pixels
- Derive the channel network automatically from the
- Muskingum-Cunge parameters applied to reaches
- With network topology defined, flow can be routed down reaches
- Computational efficiency vs. gridded methods



Process: Reach-Based Routing

- CHANNELGRID raster is converted to a line vector (`streams.shp`)
- Decomposes line geometry to nodes, and gathers elevation, Latitude, and Longitude at each node
- LINKID grid in Fulldom file is created and populated with link ID values
- Constructs a `.nc` file with necessary parameters for reach-based routing:
 - Length, Slope, Order, Drop, X/Y, etc.
 - Writes output file to `Route_Link.nc`



Reach-Routing Table

- CF-netCDF file containing reach-routing parameters
- Mix of derived attributes and default values

| Parameter | Description |
|-----------|---|
| link | Link ID |
| from | From Link ID |
| to | To Link ID |
| lon | longitude of the start node |
| lat | latitude of the start node |
| alt | Elevation in meters from DEM at start node |
| order | Stream order (Strahler) |
| Qi | Initial flow in link (CMS) |
| MusK | Muskingum routing time (s) |
| MusX | Muskingum weighting coefficient |
| Length | Stream length (m) |
| n | Manning's roughness |
| So | Slope (meters/meter) |
| ChSlp | Channel side slope |
| BtmWdth | Bottom width of channel |
| Kchan | Channel conductivity (mm/hr) |
| x | X-coordinate in projected coordinate system |
| y | Y-coordinate in projected coordinate system |

Route_Link.nc

- netCDF file to store link information
 - 1-Dimension (linkDim)
- CF-netCDF 'timeSeries' convention

Defaults

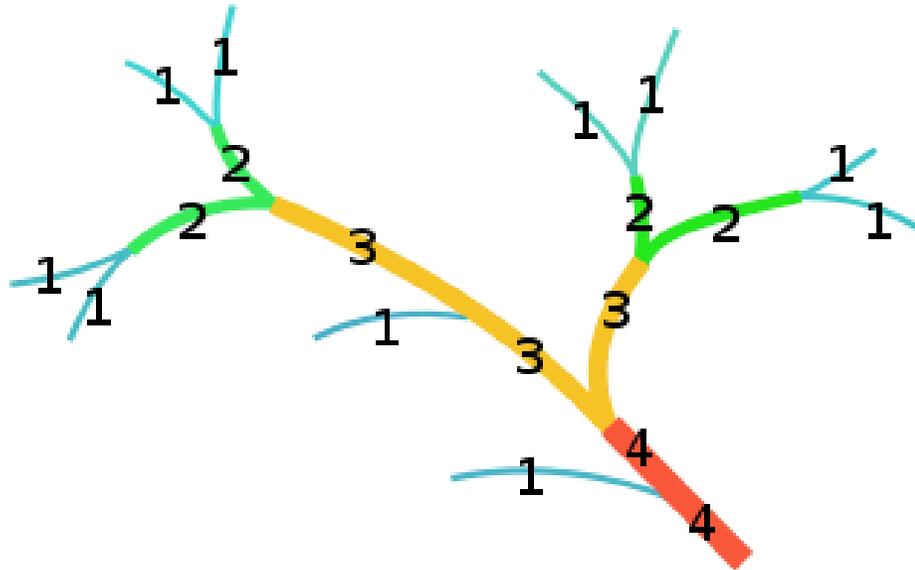
| | |
|----------|---------|
| Qi: | 0 cms |
| MusK: | 3600 s |
| MusX: | 0.2 |
| n: | 0.035 |
| ChSlp: | 0.05 |
| BtmWdth: | 5 m |
| Kc: | 0 mm/hr |

```
netcdf Route_Link <
dimensions:
    linkDim = 5726 ;
variables:
    int link<linkDim> ;
        link:long_name = "Link ID" ;
        link:cf_role = "timeseries_id" ;
    int from<linkDim> ;
        from:long_name = "From Link ID" ;
        from:coordinates = "lat lon" ;
    int to<linkDim> ;
        to:long_name = "To Link ID" ;
        to:coordinates = "lat lon" ;
    float lon<linkDim> ;
        lon:long_name = "longitude of the start node" ;
        lon:units = "degrees_east" ;
        lon:standard_name = "longitude" ;
    float lat<linkDim> ;
        lat:long_name = "latitude of the start node" ;
        lat:units = "degrees_north" ;
        lat:standard_name = "latitude" ;
    float alt<linkDim> ;
        alt:long_name = "Elevation in meters at start node" ;
        alt:standard_name = "height" ;
        alt:units = "m" ;
        alt:positive = "up" ;
        alt:axis = "Z" ;
    int order<linkDim> ;
        order:long_name = "Stream order (Strahler)" ;
        order:coordinates = "lat lon" ;
    float Qi<linkDim> ;
        Qi:long_name = "Initial flow in link (CMS)" ;
        Qi:coordinates = "lat lon" ;
    float MusK<linkDim> ;
        MusK:long_name = "Muskingum routing time (s)" ;
        MusK:coordinates = "lat lon" ;
    float MusX<linkDim> ;
        MusX:long_name = "Muskingum weighting coefficient" ;
        MusX:coordinates = "lat lon" ;
    float Length<linkDim> ;
        Length:long_name = "Stream length (m)" ;
        Length:coordinates = "lat lon" ;
    float n<linkDim> ;
        n:long_name = "Manning\'s roughness" ;
        n:coordinates = "lat lon" ;
    float So<linkDim> ;
        So:long_name = "Slope (<; drop/length)" ;
        So:coordinates = "lat lon" ;
    float ChSlp<linkDim> ;
        ChSlp:long_name = "Channel side slope (<; drop/length)" ;
        ChSlp:coordinates = "lat lon" ;
    float BtmWdth<linkDim> ;
        BtmWdth:long_name = "Bottom width of channel" ;
        BtmWdth:coordinates = "lat lon" ;
    float time ;
        time:standard_name = "time" ;
        time:long_name = "time of measurement" ;
        time:units = "days since 2000-01-01 00:00:00" ;

// global attributes:
    :featureType = "timeSeries" ;
    :history = "Created Mon May 02 14:43:17 2016" ;
}
```

Process: Stream Order

- **Stream Order** Spatial Analyst tool
 - Strahler stream order
 - Writes output file to STREAMORDER variable



Process: Reservoir Routing

- If the option is selected, a polygon shapefile or feature class is required as input.
- Populates LAKEGRID variable
- Assigns lake ID values to pixels where lakes drain into channel
- Constructs a LAKEPARAM.nc file with necessary variables for reservoir routing:
 - Lake area, max elevation, min elevation, base elevation, orifice elevation

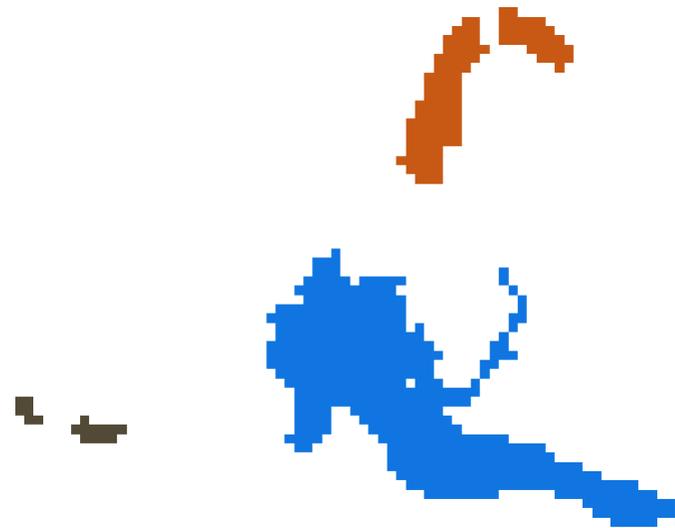
```
netcdf LAKEPARAM <
dimensions:
  nlakes = 82 ;
variables:
  int lake_id(nlakes) ;
    lake_id:long_name = "Lake ID" ;
    lake_id:cf_role = "timeseries_id" ;
  double LkArea(nlakes) ;
    LkArea:long_name = "Gridded lake area (sq. km)" ;
    LkArea:coordinates = "lat lon" ;
  double LkMxH(nlakes) ;
    LkMxH:long_name = "Maximum lake elevation (m ASL)" ;
    LkMxH:coordinates = "lat lon" ;
  double WeirC(nlakes) ;
    WeirC:long_name = "Weir coefficient" ;
    WeirC:coordinates = "lat lon" ;
  double WeirL(nlakes) ;
    WeirL:long_name = "Weir length (m)" ;
    WeirL:coordinates = "lat lon" ;
  double OrificeC(nlakes) ;
    OrificeC:long_name = "Orifice coefficient" ;
    OrificeC:coordinates = "lat lon" ;
  double OrificeA(nlakes) ;
    OrificeA:long_name = "Orifice cross-sectional area (sq. m)" ;
    OrificeA:coordinates = "lat lon" ;
  double OrificeE(nlakes) ;
    OrificeE:long_name = "Orifice elevation (m ASL)" ;
    OrificeE:coordinates = "lat lon" ;
  float lat(nlakes) ;
    lat:long_name = "latitude of the lake centroid" ;
    lat:units = "degrees_north" ;
    lat:standard_name = "latitude" ;
  float lon(nlakes) ;
    lon:long_name = "longitude of the lake centroid" ;
    lon:units = "degrees_east" ;
    lon:standard_name = "longitude" ;
  float alt(nlakes) ;
    alt:long_name = "vertical distance above mean sea level in (m ASL)" ;
    alt:standard_name = "height" ;
    alt:units = "m" ;
    alt:positive = "up" ;
    alt:axis = "Z" ;
```

LAKEGRID/LAKEPARM.nc

- Input: Reservoirs shapefile or feature class (polygon)
- Polygons are resolved on the model grid if they are large enough
- Lake ID is renumbered to 1-n

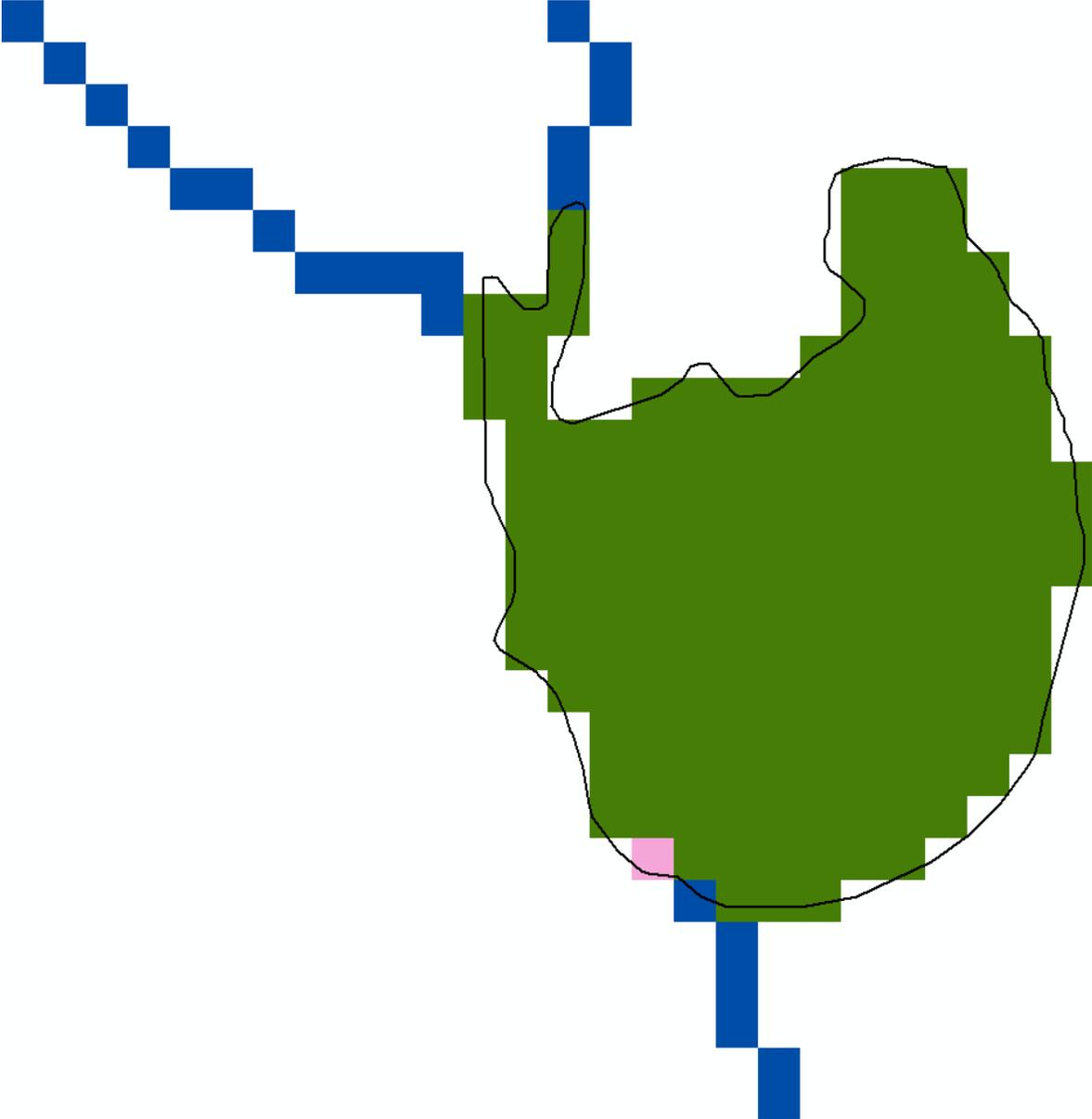


Original polygons



Lakes on the routing grid

Reservoirs & Channels



Lakes/Reservoir Routing in the NWM

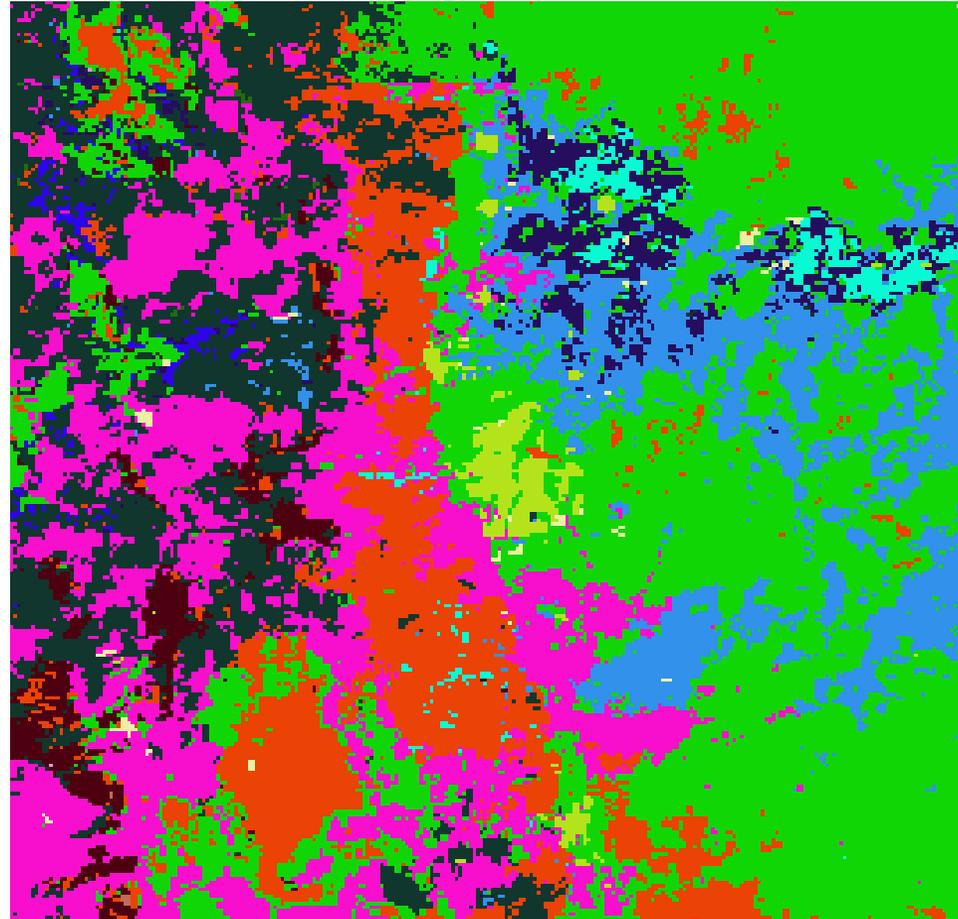
- Lake parameters are stored in the LAKEPARAM.nc lake routing table
- Lakes are defined on the routing grid, parameters in the table

Lake Routing Table

| Parameter | Description |
|-----------|---|
| LkArea | Gridded lake area (sq. km) |
| LkMxH | Maximum lake elevation (m ASL) |
| OrificeA | Orifice cross-sectional area (sq. m) |
| OrificeC | Orifice coefficient |
| OrificeE | Orifice elevation (m ASL) |
| WeirC | Weir coefficient |
| WeirH | Weir Height (m ASL) |
| WeirL | Weir length (m) |
| Ifd | Initial fractional water depth (% full) |
| lake_id | Lake ID |
| lat | latitude of the lake centroid |
| lon | longitude of the lake centroid |

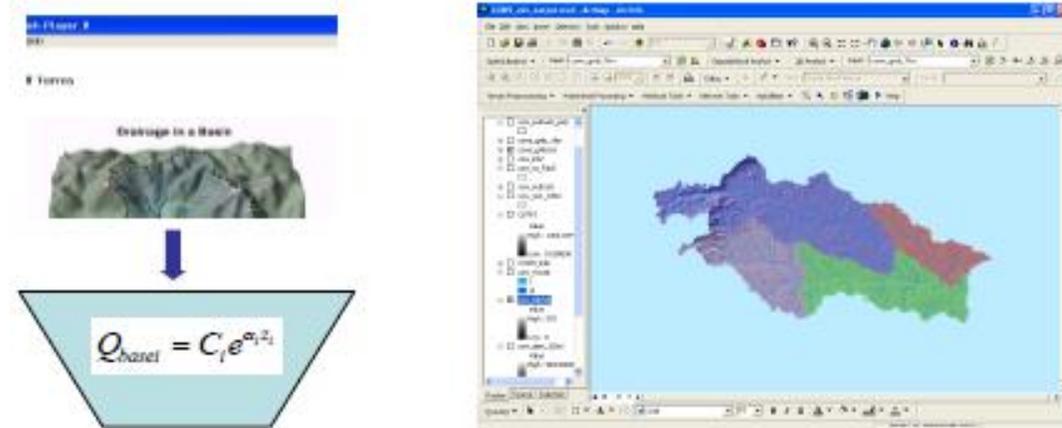
Other Grids

- Landuse
 - GEOGRID LU_INDEX resampled (nearest neighbor) to routing grid
- OVROUGHRTFAC
 - Constant 1.0 (float32)
- RETDEPRTFAC
 - Constant 1.0 (float32)
- LKSATFAC
 - Constant 1000.0 (float32)



Groundwater Buckets

- Conceptualized baseflow
- Spatially aggregated drainage from soil profile stored in 'buckets' representative of an aquifer
- GWBUCKPARAM.nc bucket parameter file
- Buckets resolved on the coarse grid, written to a 2D netCDF file
GWBASINS.nc



| Basin | Coeff. | Expon. | Zmax | Zinit |
|-------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| 1 | 1.0000 | 3.000 | 150.00 | 10.0000 |
| 2 | 1.0000 | 3.000 | 250.00 | 40.0000 |
| 3 | 1.0000 | 3.000 | 150.00 | 30.0000 |
| 4 | 1.0000 | 3.000 | 100.00 | 20.0000 |
| 5 | 1.0000 | 3.000 | 100.00 | 50.0000 |

Groundwater Representation

- Groundwater Bucket Parameters

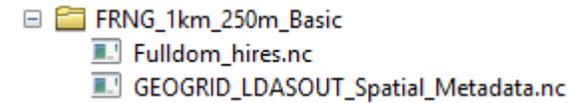
- Built using default groundwater bucket parameters combined with LINKID-based local contributing basins.
- Other methods available to produce groundwater basins from
 - Forecast Points
 - Polygon Shapefile

```
Windows PowerShell
PS C:\Data\Projects\Gochis\NWM_v1_2\GW_BUCKPARAM> ncdump -h .\GWBUCKPARAM_NWM_v1_2_20170320_sorted.nc
netcdf GWBUCKPARAM_NWM_v1_2_20170320_sorted {
dimensions:
  BasinDim = 2677135 ;
variables:
  int Basin(BasinDim) ;
    Basin:long_name = "Basin monotonic ID (1...n)" ;
  float Coeff(BasinDim) ;
    Coeff:long_name = "Coefficient" ;
  float Expon(BasinDim) ;
    Expon:long_name = "Exponent" ;
  float Zmax(BasinDim) ;
    Zmax:long_name = "Zmax" ;
  float Zinit(BasinDim) ;
    Zinit:long_name = "Zinit" ;
  float Area_sqkm(BasinDim) ;
    Area_sqkm:long_name = "Basin area in square kilometers" ;
  int ComID(BasinDim) ;
    ComID:long_name = "NHDCatchment FEATUREID (NHDFlowline ComID)" ;

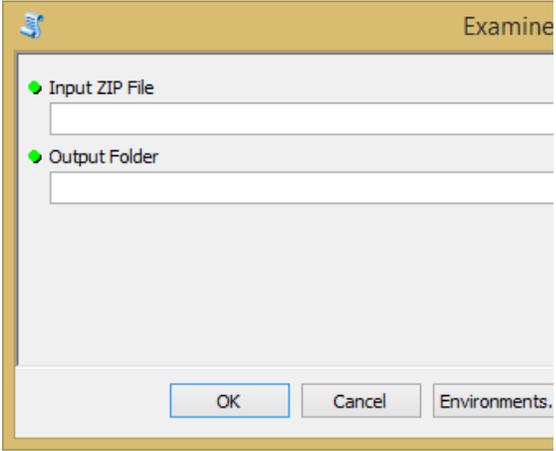
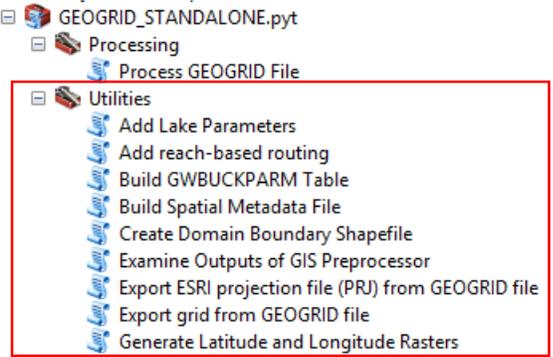
// global attributes:
    :featureType = "point" ;
    :history = "Created Mon Mar 20 16:35:22 2017" ;
}
```

GIS Pre-processor Outputs

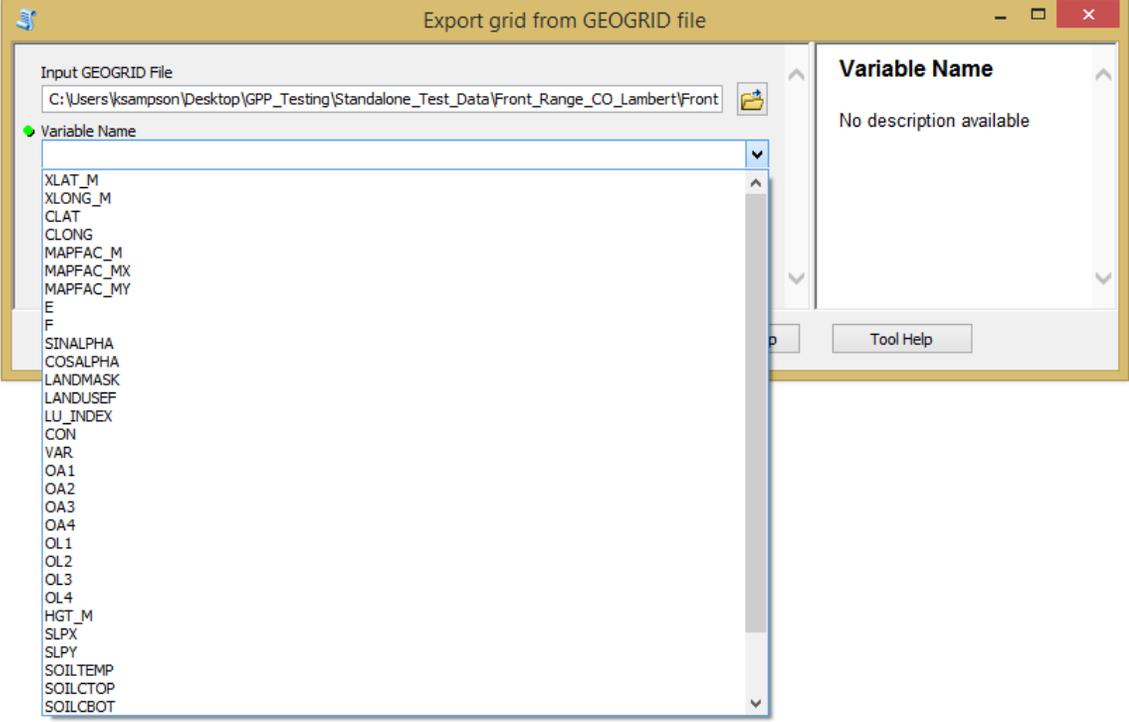
- Set of netCDF, shapefile, ASCII & log files
 - 2-6 netCDF files
 - 0-1 ASCII Raster (.txt)
 - 0-2 Shapefiles
 - 1 .log file



Other Utilities



- Examine Outputs of GIS Preprocessor
 - Extracts .zip output file to individual rasters for viewing in Desktop GIS applications.



- Build Groundwater Inputs
 - Creates groundwater input files in 3 ways

Tool Messages

ProcessGeogridFile

Completed

Close this dialog when completed successfully

Process: flowdirection.nc completed with
Output File: E:\Projects\Gochis\dom
Process: flowacc.nc completed without er
Output File: E:\Projects\Gochis\dom
Process: Flow Accumulation completed wit
Process: retdeprtfac.nc completed withou
Output File: E:\Projects\Gochis\dom
Process: ovroughrtfac.nc completed witho
Output File: E:\Projects\Gochis\dom
Process: str_order.nc completed without
Output File: E:\Projects\Gochis\dom
Routing table will be created...
Stream to features step complete.
Done reading streams layer.
Done building Nodes layer with adjus
Done extracting elevations to points
Done reading elevations.
Done reading Strahler stream orders.
Routing Table:
403 Lines
445 Nodes.
Done writing CSV table to disk.
Routing table created without error.
Process: LINKID.nc completed without err
Output File: E:\Projects\Gochis\dom
Process: frxst_pts.nc completed without
Output File: E:\Projects\Gochis\dom
Process: frxst_pts was empty.
Process: gw_basns.nc completed without e
Output File: E:\Projects\Gochis\dom
Process: gw_basns was empty.
Process: LAKEGRID.nc completed without e
Output File: E:\Projects\Gochis\dom
Process: CHANNELGRID.nc completed withou
Output File: E:\Projects\Gochis\dom
Process: landuse.nc completed without er
Output File: E:\Projects\Gochis\dom
Step 4 completed without error.
Completed without error.
Completed script ProcessGeogridFile...
Succeeded at Mon Nov 17 20:01:54 2014 (Elaps

Results

Current Session

ExamineOutputs [223032_11162014]

Output Folder: Boulder_Creek_100m_1km_NHDPI1

Inputs

Input ZIP File: Boulder_Creek_100m_1km_NHDPlus_Reservoirs.zip

Environments

Messages

Executing: ExamineOutputs E:\Projects\Gochis\domains\Boulder_Creek\Boulder_Creek_100m_1km_NHDPlus_

Start Time: Sun Nov 16 22:30:30 2014

Running script ExamineOutputs...

Beginning to extract WRF routing grids...

File Created: E:\Projects\Gochis\domains\Boulder_Creek\Boulder_Creek_100m_1km_NHDPI1\CHANNELGRID

File Created: E:\Projects\Gochis\domains\Boulder_Creek\Boulder_Creek_100m_1km_NHDPI1\flowacc

File Created: E:\Projects\Gochis\domains\Boulder_Creek\Boulder_Creek_100m_1km_NHDPI1\flowdirection

File Created: E:\Projects\Gochis\domains\Boulder_Creek\Boulder_Creek_100m_1km_NHDPI1\frxst_pts

File Created: E:\Projects\Gochis\domains\Boulder_Creek\Boulder_Creek_100m_1km_NHDPI1\gw_basns

File Created: E:\Projects\Gochis\domains\Boulder_Creek\Boulder_Creek_100m_1km_NHDPI1\LAKEGRID

File Created: E:\Projects\Gochis\domains\Boulder_Creek\Boulder_Creek_100m_1km_NHDPI1\landuse

File Created: E:\Projects\Gochis\domains\Boulder_Creek\Boulder_Creek_100m_1km_NHDPI1\latitude

File Created: E:\Projects\Gochis\domains\Boulder_Creek\Boulder_Creek_100m_1km_NHDPI1\longitude

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File Created: E:\Projects\Gochis\domains\Boulder_Creek\Boulder_Creek_100m_1km_NHDPI1\str_order

File Created: E:\Projects\Gochis\domains\Boulder_Creek\Boulder_Creek_100m_1km_NHDPI1\topography

Extraction of WRF routing grids completed.

Completed script ExamineOutputs...

Succeeded at Sun Nov 16 22:30:32 2014 (Elapsed Time: 2.09 seconds)

Documentation & Test Data

- Detailed documentation
 - 40+ page PDF
 - Describes tool capabilities, requirements, parameters, and GIS methods used in the tool chain.
- Small GEOGRID domains for testing tool functionality
 - Front Range (Lambert Conformal Conic)
 - India (Mercator)
- Expected Output provided for comparison
- Required Elevation files (.tif) provided
- Optional stream gages & lakes provided (Front Range)

https://ral.ucar.edu/projects/wrf_hydro/pre-processing-tools

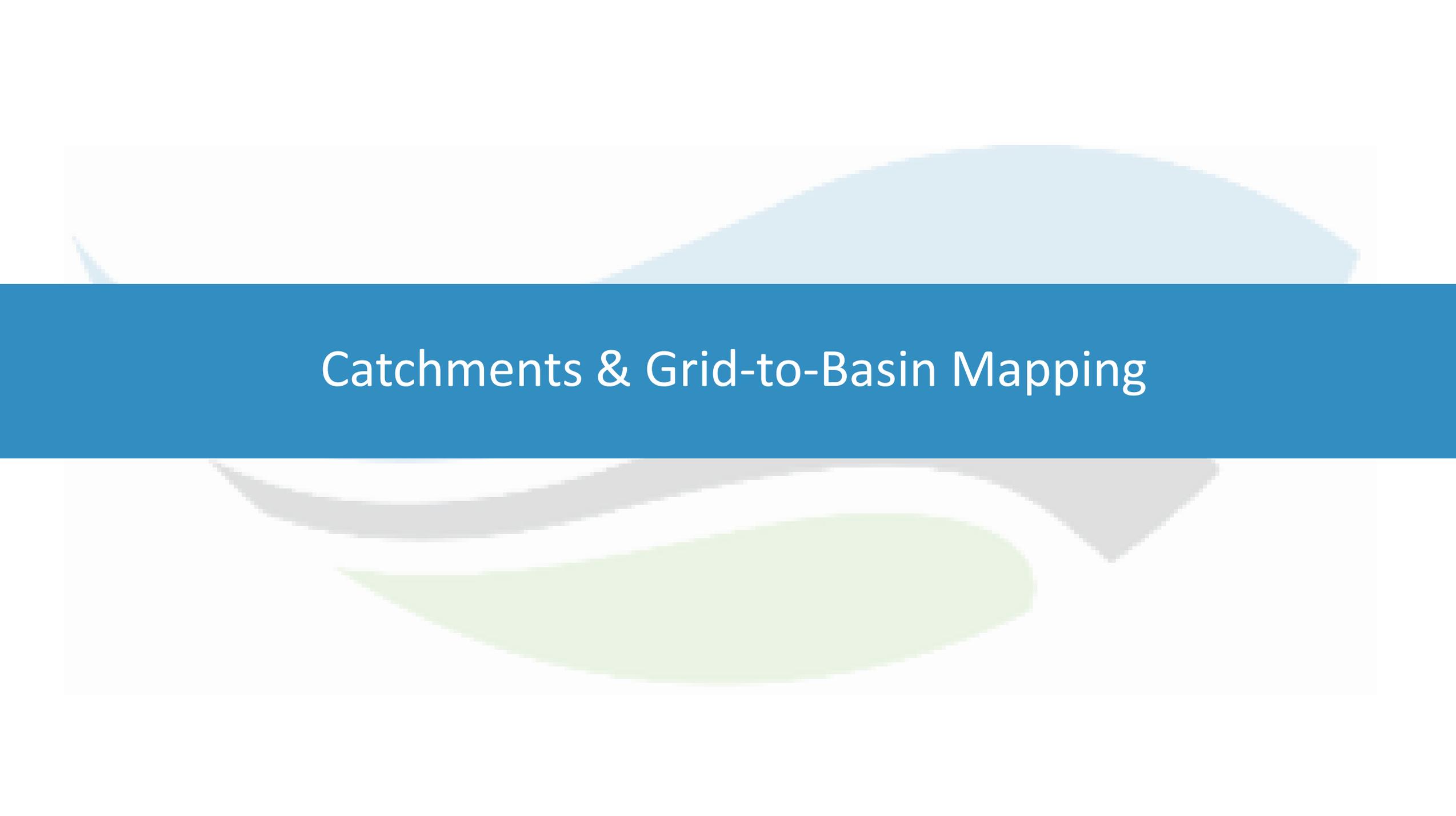
Bottlenecks/Constraints

- Project high-resolution dataset for large areas
 - Can be avoided by pre-projecting/resampling high res data before running the GIS pre-processor
- Flow Accumulation – slowest part of the process
- Not multi-threaded
 - Process runs on one core
 - Process chain not well suited to parallelization
- Windows only GIS platform



- https://github.com/NCAR/wrf_hydro_arcgis_preprocessor.git

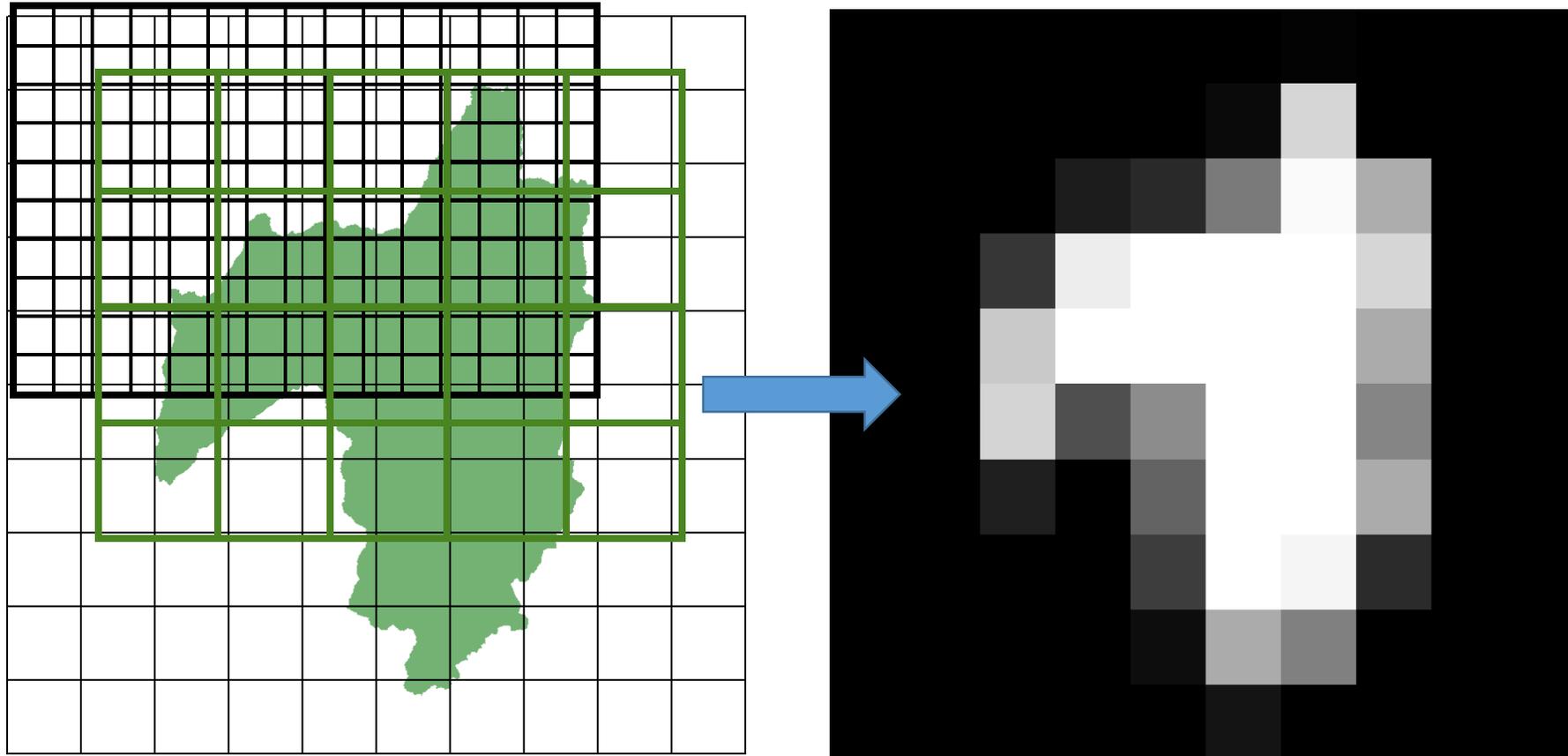
The screenshot shows the GitHub interface for the repository `NCAR / wrf_hydro_arcgis_preprocessor`. At the top, there are navigation links for "Pull requests", "Issues", and "Gist". The repository name is displayed in blue, with interaction buttons for "Unwatch" (4), "Star" (2), and "Fork" (1). Below this is a navigation bar with "Code" selected, and other options like "Issues" (0), "Pull requests" (0), "Projects" (0), "Wiki", "Pulse", "Graphs", and "Settings". A message states "No description, website, or topics provided." with an "Edit" button. A summary bar shows "4 commits", "1 branch", "0 releases", and "1 contributor". Action buttons include "Branch: master", "New pull request", "Create new file", "Upload files", "Find file", and "Clone or download". The commit history shows a merge by `kmsampson` on GitHub, with the latest commit `4e76199` made "a minute ago". The commit list includes files `GEOGRID_STANDALONE.ProcessGeogridFile.pyt.xml`, `GEOGRID_STANDALONE.pyt`, and `wrf_hydro_functions.py`, all from the "v4.0 Initial Release" made "2 minutes ago".



Catchments & Grid-to-Basin Mapping

Grid-to-Basin Mapping

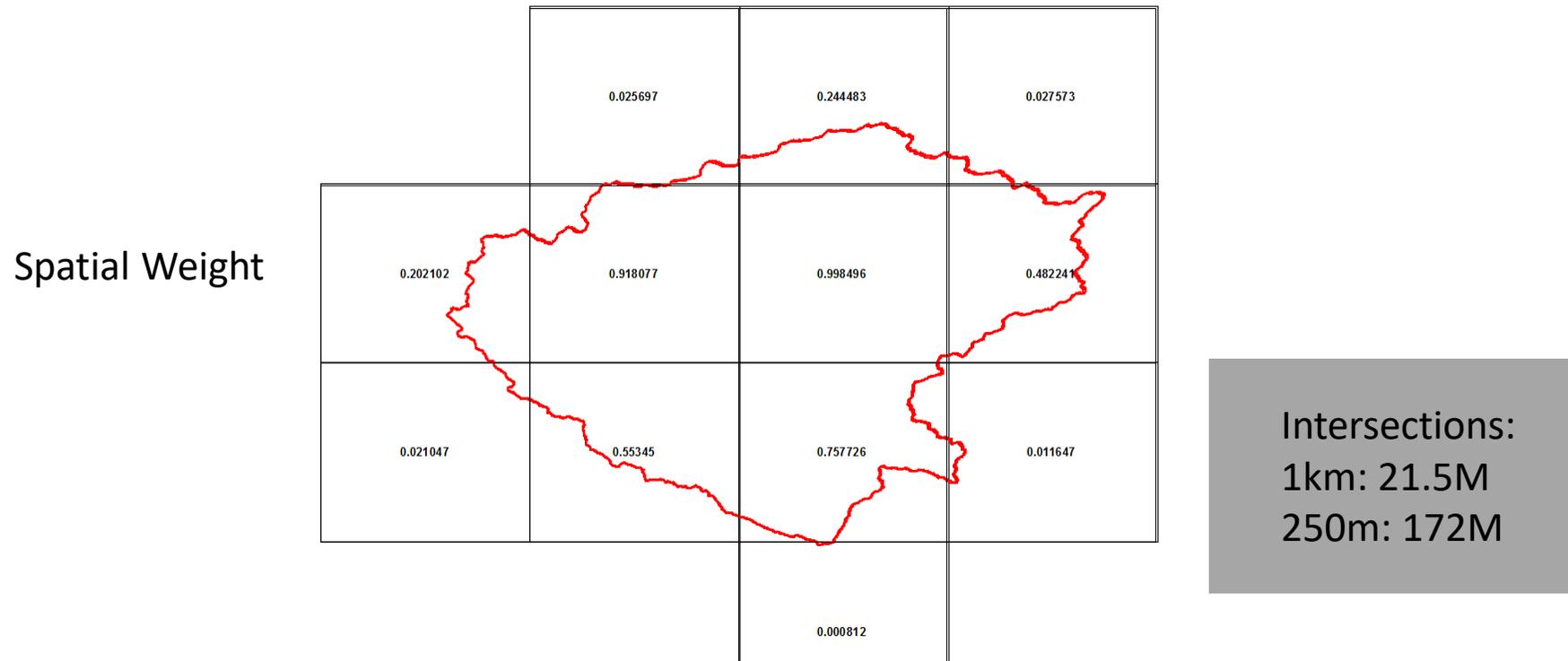
fraction of each grid cell in each sub-basin



maps gridded meteorological fields to sub-basins within the model domain

Grid-to-Basin Mapping

- Correspondence between basins and grid must be established
- Spatial weights allow conservative remapping of variables between grids and catchments
- This method enables the NHD reach-routing scheme by moving overland and subsurface flow into the reach associated with each catchment
- Custom, open-source, parallel Python tools for generating the mapping.

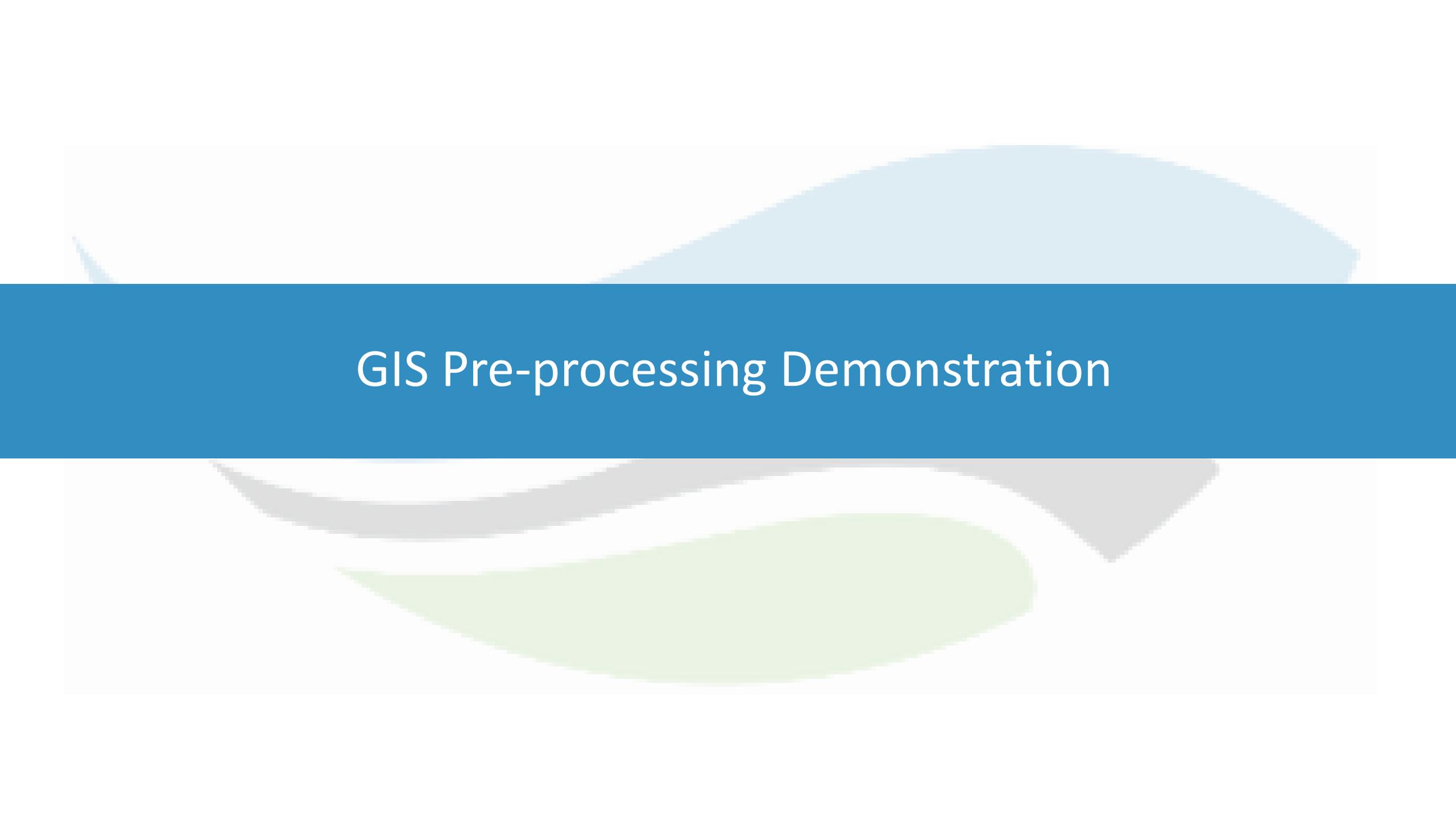


Custom Correspondence netCDF

Custom Correspondence netCDF

```
Windows PowerShell
netcdf spatialweights_1km_v1_2_all_basins_20170320 {
dimensions:
    polyid = 2677135 ;
    data = 21508911 ;
variables:
    int polyid(polyid) ;
        polyid:long_name = "ID of polygon" ;
    int overlaps(polyid) ;
        overlaps:long_name = "Number of intersecting polygons" ;
    double weight(data) ;
        weight:long_name = "fraction of polygon(polyid) intersected by polygon identified by poly2" ;
    double regridweight(data) ;
        regridweight:long_name = "fraction of intersecting polyid(overlapper) intersected by polygon(polyid)" ;
    int IDmask(data) ;
        IDmask:long_name = "Polygon ID (polyid) associated with each record" ;
    int i_index(data) ;
        i_index:long_name = "Index in the x dimension of the raster grid (starting with 1,1 in LL corner)" ;
    int j_index(data) ;
        j_index:long_name = "Index in the y dimension of the raster grid (starting with 1,1 in LL corner)" ;

// global attributes:
    :history = "Created Wed Dec 23 10:17:36 2015" ;
    :processing_notes = "Correspondence between 2,647,250 NHDPlus catchment basins (full resolution) as well
as O-CONUS basins and the CONUS 1km IOC grid." ;
}
```



GIS Pre-processing Demonstration



Thank you

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