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3 Tutorial

How to setup a model in triwaco

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3.1 Introduction

There are several possibilities to get to know **Triwaco**. The most extensive information on the software package can be found next chapters of the manual, that includes not only an explanation of how to run the software, but also contains extensive background information of the different modules. This information can also be accessed by the Help function in the **TriShell**.

This tutorial gives an introduction to **Triwaco**, meant for those who are familiar with groundwater modelling and wish to get a quick view of the normal method to set up and to run a groundwater model, and the standard possibilities of **Triwaco**. A complete view is obtained by using the manual.

The model set up in this tutorial will be located in the directory C:\My Models\Demo. All data referred to in the text is available in the directory C:\My Models\Demo\Topo.geg. A resulting version of the model is located in the directory C:\My Models\Tutorial. So when things go wrong or you don't know what to do one can always refer to this working model. Below an overview of the successive steps of building a model in **Triwaco** is given. This is in fact the standard method by which a model is set up.

- 1 Setting up a Triwaco project
- 2 Setting up a calculation Grid
- 3 Setting up an Initial data set, the conceptual model setup
- 4 Setting up a Calibration data set (first simulation)
- 5 Setting up a Final data set
- 6 Setting up a Scenario data set

Additional steps may include solute transport, transient or other calculations. In this tutorial two often occurring additional calculations will be explained.

- Setting up a Pathline data set
- Setting up a Transient data set

3.2 Setting up a Triwaco project

Now we show you the steps to take for making a groundwater model using **Triwaco**. We keep to the 'main route'; extra options are mentioned with the letter **E** and shown in *italic*. Important notices are indicated with **NB**.

3.2.1 Definition and preparation

Model building starts with the choice of boundaries and collection of data. This is done without the use of the software, and will not be discussed here. We advise you to make a topographical background map that will help you orientate while using the digitising and presentation modules of **Triwaco**. A background map can have different formats (such as bitmap (*.bmp), ArcInfo-ungenerated (*.ung) and DXF). A simple alternative is to make a rectangular grid of (e.g.) kilometers (see [Annex 1](#)).

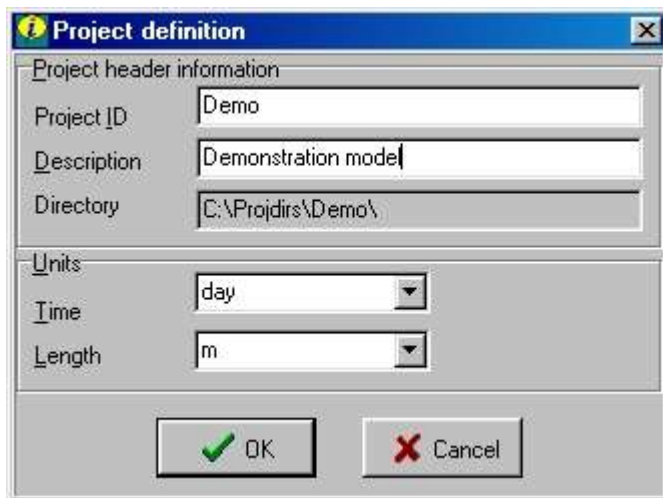
An example of a background map is available after installing TRIWACO on your hard drive. The file is located in the directory c:\My Models\Demo\Topo.geg\. The bitmapfile can be used in either the digitising module or the presentation module.

Triwaco works with a clear hierarchical data storage structure. The entry always is a project that can contain several models. Every model consists of different connected data sets that contain different parameters.

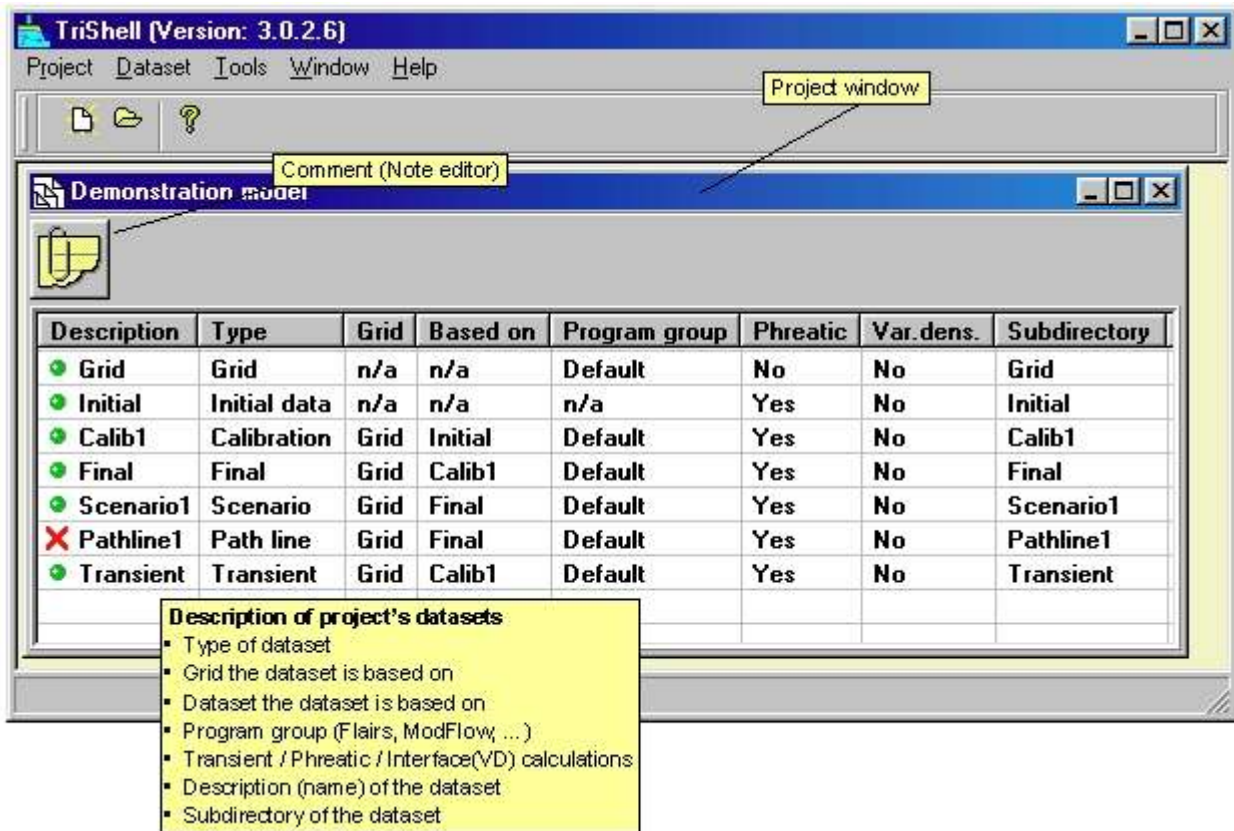
3.2.2 Definition of a Triwaco Project

Modelling with **Triwaco** always starts by defining a project.

'Project' 'New' if you set up a new model, otherwise 'Open' - and look for the name of your project), type a name of the project.



You now see the start window in which the different data sets are registered.



The data sets shown above will be created during this course and so this window will be filled with data sets during the model building. The project window displays the following information.

Type	Description of type of data set.
Grid	Finite Element or Finite Difference grid to be used for calculations
Based on	Data set with (hydrogeological) parameters to which this set refers
Transient	Indicates whether or not transient calculations are carried out
Phreatic	Indicates whether or not the uppermost aquifer is phreatic
Var. dens.	Indicates whether the variable density module is used
Description	Descriptive commentary of the data set and its use
Subdirectory	Name of the subdirectory for this data set

In the top left corner is a button to start the note editor. Anything you wish to comment on your model can and should be attached to the model by using this option. This button is available for each data set. Each data set has its own comment-file.

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- It is possible to use your favourite text editor, instead of the standard Windows notepad. To do this **Lm** Tools in the taskbar at the top. **Lm** TriShell programs. Fill in the path of your favourite text-editor or browse by using the browse button. **Lm** ok, or if you have second thoughts **Lm** cancel.

3.3 Setting up a calculation grid

The calculation grid is set up in 6 steps. The following items need to be defined:

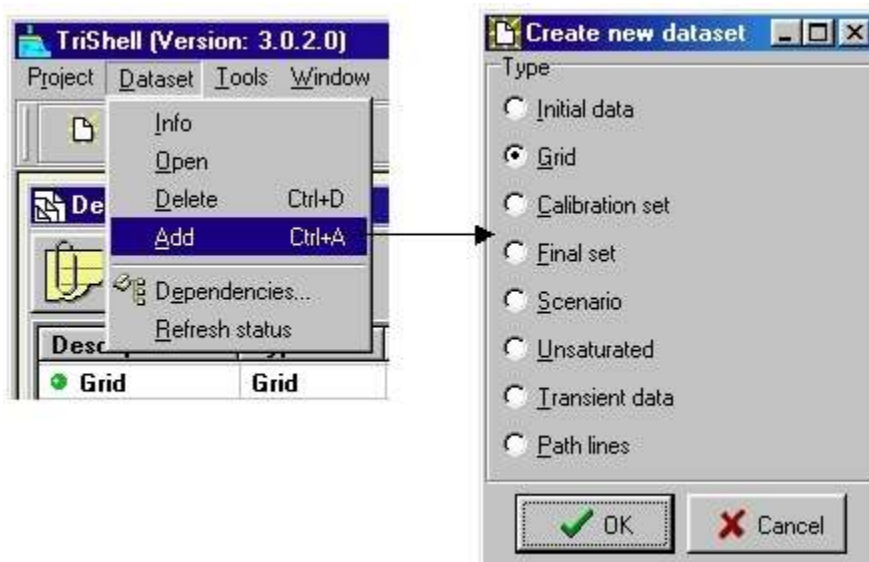
1. general data
2. boundary
3. linear surface water or other line elements (faults for instance)
4. position of sources
5. position of density areas

When these items are defined the grid can be generated (step 6).

3.3.1 Step 1: Opening a Grid data set

The data for the generation of a calculation grid are treated as a data set. You'll need: the positions of the boundary, the linear surface water that you want to include in the model and the sources (the grid is taking these elements into account) and specified sub-areas with a certain density of the calculation grid. These data are entered successively.

Add the data set: 'Data set', 'Add', 'Grid', as shown below.

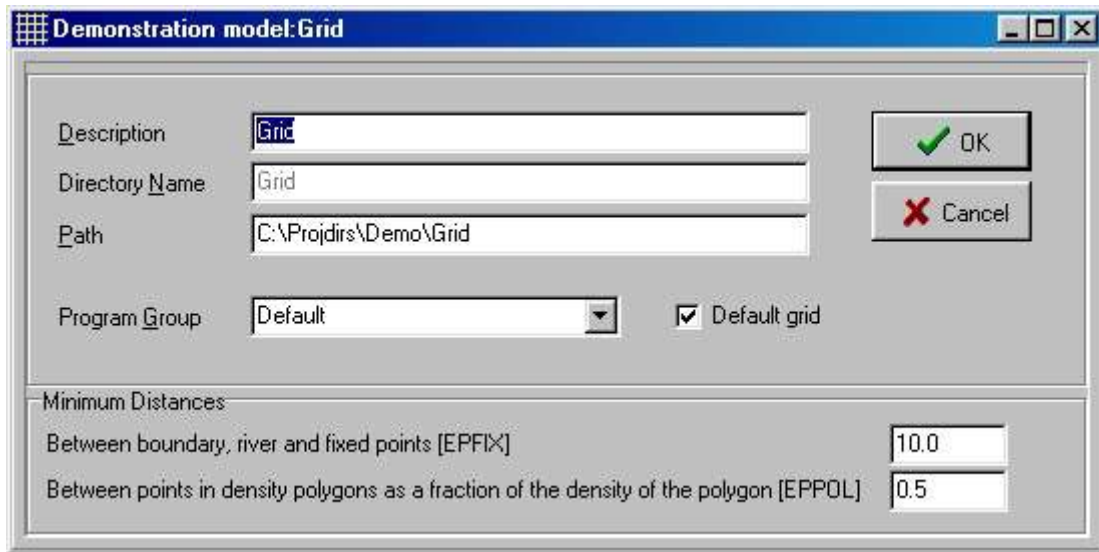


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- *In this tutorial a finite element grid is used. It is also possible to make use of a finite difference grid (ModFlow). Setting up a finite difference grid is carried out in the same 6 steps described in this tutorial.*

NB

- The names of the data sets are used to make directories. Spaces and points are allowed in the names of files and directories in the 32 bits windows versions (from Windows 95).



You can choose to create either a finite-element grid (default, Triwaco) or a finite-difference grid (ModFlow). Default is a finite-element grid, so leave everything as it is (there are some restrictions in using ModFlow). Enter the name of the grid (in this case Grid).

A data set in Triwaco can be opened in ways. The first is selecting the data set and then from the menu 'Data set', 'Open'. A faster way is by selecting the data set and open a context menu (Right hand mouse button), 'Open'. Even faster is by just double clicking on the data set to be opened. Now open the grid data set.

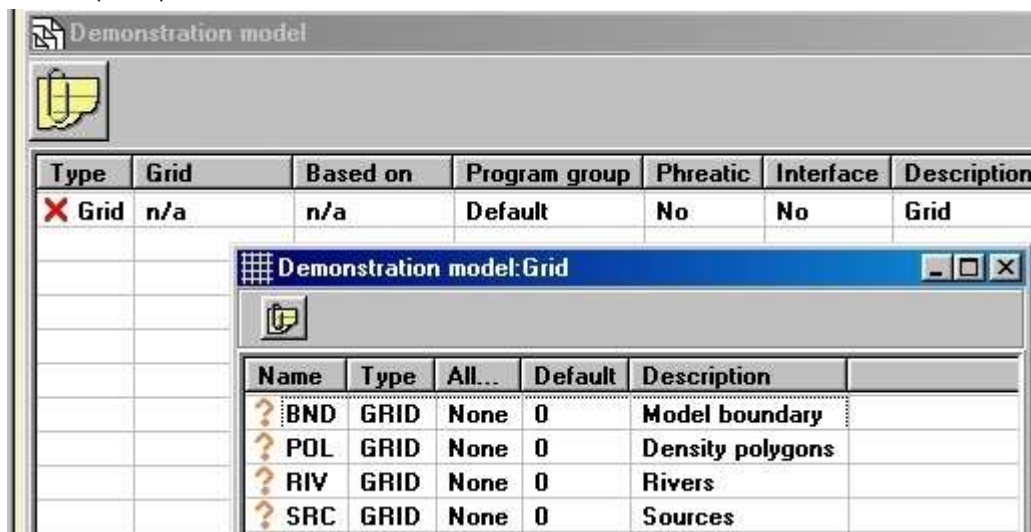
The data set contains the following parameters which are used to define the grid:

BND = grid boundary

POL = density areas

RIV = linear surface water (brooks, canals, rivers) or other line elements (faults, etc.)

SRC = sources (wells)




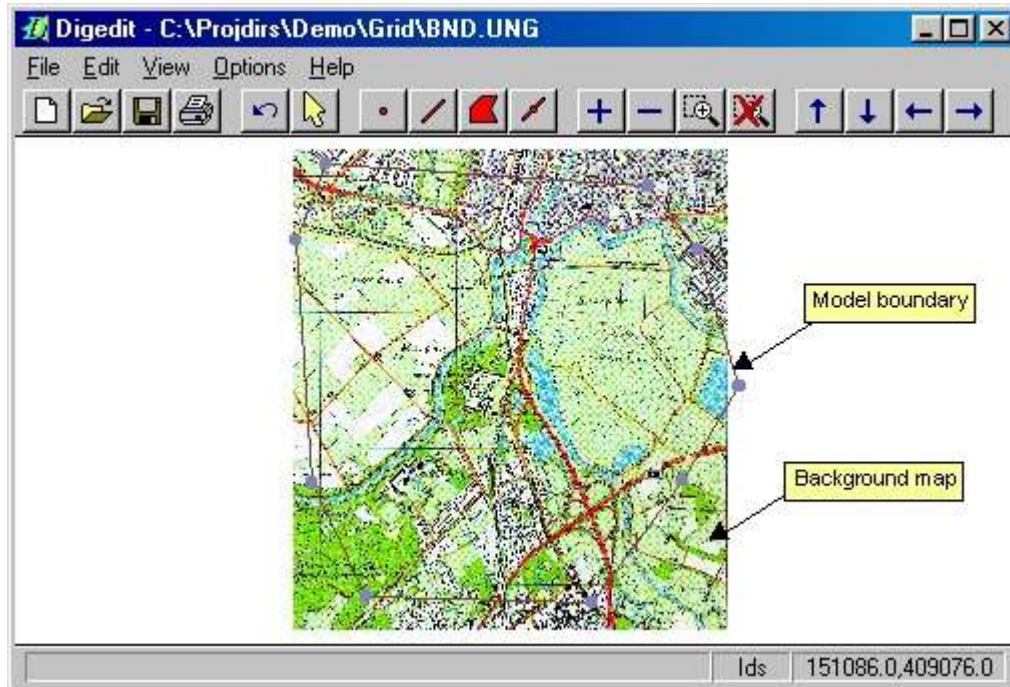
3.3.2 Step 2: Defining the model boundary


Similar to opening a data set a parameter map is opened in the graphical editor DigEdit. Selecting the parameter BND and open a context menu (Right hand mouse button), 'Edit Map File'. Even faster is by just double clicking on the data set to be opened. Ignore reports as 'Cannot open ..', this message is generated because no map exists yet.

Now you find yourself in the digitising module (DigEdit). It is easy if you can work with a topographical

background map for orientation: 'File','Background','Open', and select de backgroundmap located .. \topo.geg\topo.bmp.

Draw the boundary by drawing a polygon () Create the model boundary by clicking the corner points in the area; enter the last point (*that doesn't need to be the same as the first point!*) with the right hand mouse; this will close the boundary (polygon).




Now save the modelboundary (). Check (using Browse) to see if the files are stored in the right directory (the name of which must be the same as the name of the grid data set).

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- It is also possible to create a boundary with exact coordinates. This can be done by creating a file named 'BND.UNG' with a text-editor in the grid-directory (see Annex 1).
- It is also possible to load a second background map as follows: 'File','Background','Append'.



3.3.3 Step 3: Defining the position of watercourses (line elements)







Open de RIV parameter in DigEdit. Again ignore reports as 'Cannot open ..' . Now load your background map as shown before. The boundary map is automatically loaded. If not, you can do so by appending the file bnd.ung located in your grid directory.

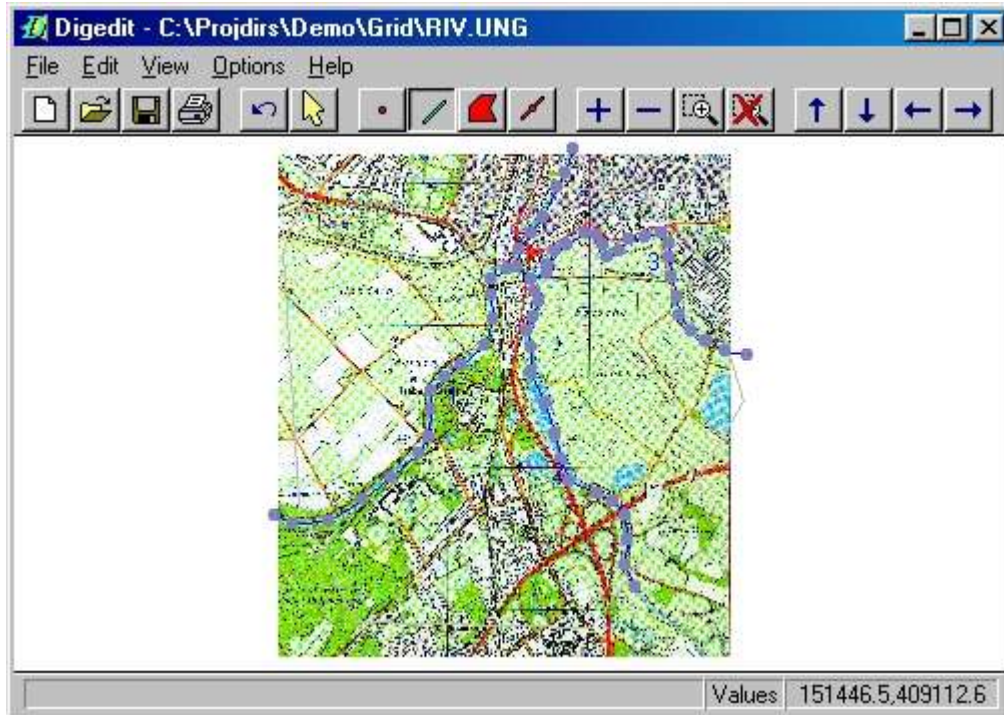
Draw the water courses by drawing a line (). Now enter the position of the linear surface water (canals, rivers), by clicking the corner and connection points.

You are allowed to place line element outside the model boundary. This is recommended if the surface water crosses the boundary. Each line element is closed in the same manner as for the polygon (right hand mouse button). Then **Triwaco** presents you a window in which you can enter the name of the surface water (if you like). Save the data. You can enter as many rivers as you like. Simply repeat the above steps.

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- Delete a water course: Select the river activating the selection mode for line-elements: first  and then , select the water course and press Del on your keyboard.



- Select the river activating the selection mode for line-elements: first  and then , drag the watercourse.
- Move a point of a water course: , . Undo: Ctrl-Z or  or 'Edit', 'Undo'. When no points on the lines are visible select 'Options', 'Show Vertices'.
- Print the map using File/Print or the well-known icon .



3.3.4 Step 4: Defining the position of sources (fixed nodes)

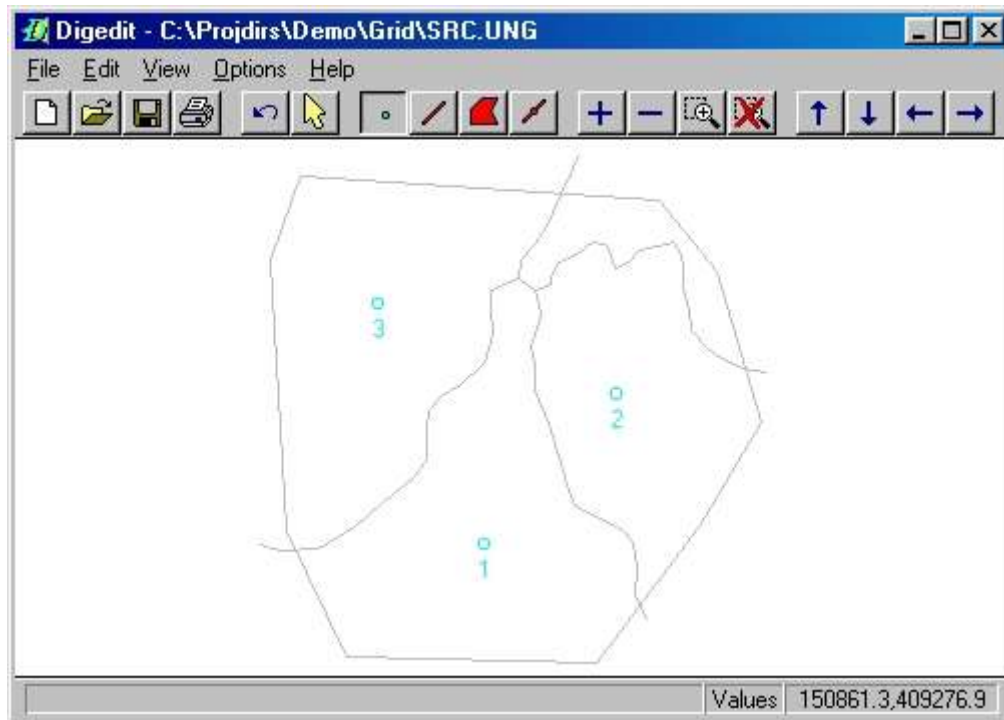
Open de RIV parameter in DigEdit. Again ignore reports as 'Cannot open ..'. Now load your background map as shown before.

Now enter the position of the sources (). Everywhere you click in the area a source is placed. DigEdit will open a window in which you can enter the name (or code) of the source. After which you can carry on an enter a new source. Make sure that the sources are not placed outside the model boundary. You can change the

name of sources by: Select the river activating the selection mode for line-elements: first  and then , and opening the the context menu for that particular source.

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- If you have the geographical co-ordinates of the sources beforehand, you can create the source data files with an editor; see [Annex 2](#). Save these files in the grid directory.
- For grid generation and better description of groundwaterflow near sources is possible by appending support circles. These circles are created in the Grid data set as follows: 'Grid', 'Define support circles'.








3.3.5 Step 5: Defining the position of node density areas

Open de RIV parameter in DigEdit. Again ignore reports as 'Cannot open ..'. Now load your background map as shown before.

If you wish, append the maps of the linear surface water and the sources that are stored in the grid directory with the file names 'RIV.UNG' and 'SRC.UNG' (see Step 3).

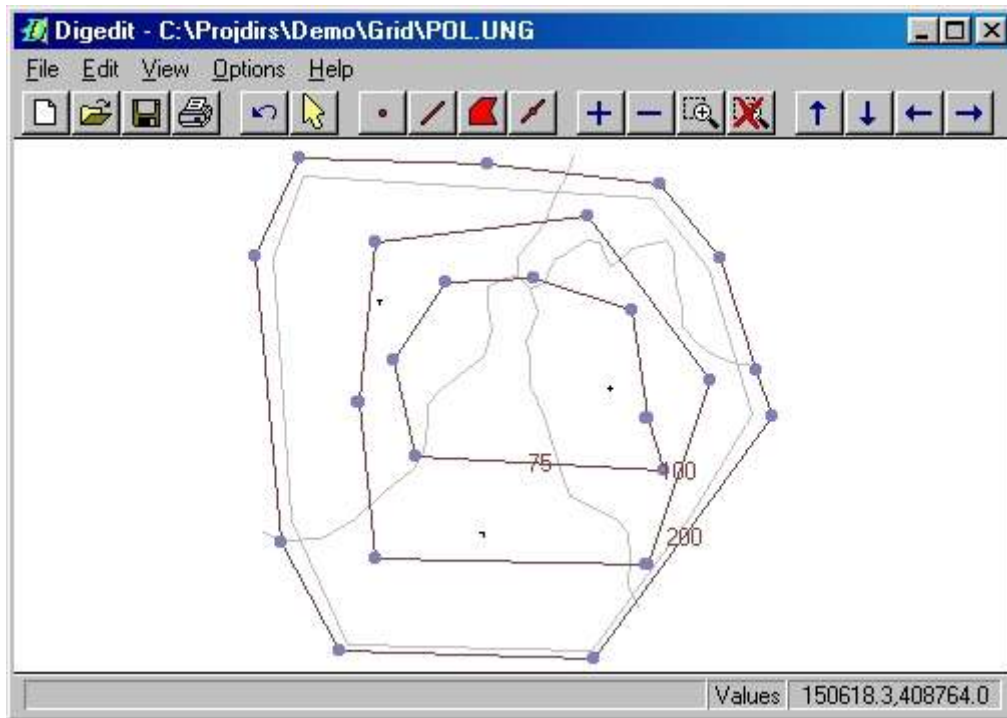
Now we will enter the zones with which the node densities are defined for the calculation grid; these are called 'density areas'. The boundaries of these density areas are entered in the same way as the model boundary by definition of polygons (see Step 2). After closing each boundary, a window pops up with the request to 'Enter ID and value'. Enter the required node distance of the (selected) density area in the field 'Value' (usually in meters).

For changing, deleting or moving a density polygon click the icon  first, and then  (to start editing the polygon) or  (if you want to move a vertex). To change node distances: select the polygon by clicking the icon  first, and then , and change the value. Deleting polygons can be done by: select the polygon and press Del on the keyboard.

You can change the entered node distances quickly by using an editor: **Lm POL**, **Rm POL**, **Lm Edit** par file. A list will appear of the density area ID numbers and the entered node distances. Save the file and return to the data set.

NB

- The polygon of the last area must be placed completely outside the model boundary.
- If you move the corner point of a density polygon where the boundary was closed (i.e. the first corner point entered), you may risk to open the boundary. In that case, delete the line and enter a new polygon.



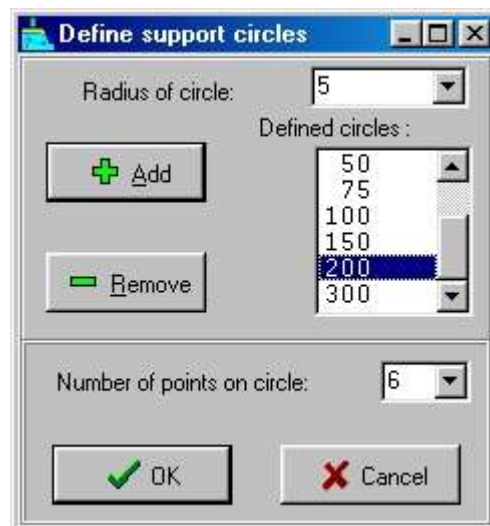
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- Adding a vertex to a line/vertex can be accomplished by selecting a line or polygon and then 'Edit', 'Add Vertex' or just by using the Insert key. Then you can indicate the location of the vertex to be added.

3.3.6 Step 6: Generating the grid


Now all data is entered, the grid can be generated.

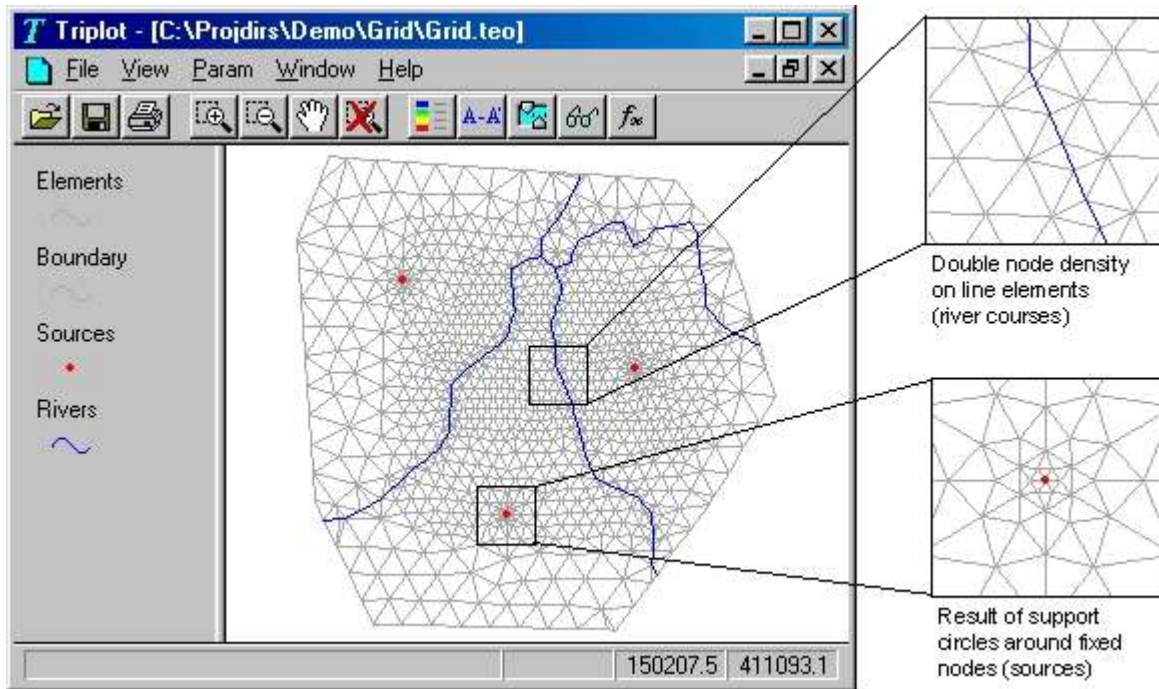
If the model is going to be used for pathline calculations, adding support circles to the source nodes is recommended though not necessary. Add support circles by: 'Grid', 'Define support circles'.



To generate the grid: 'Grid', 'Generate input file' and then 'Grid', 'Start grid generation'. An error message may appear due to incorrect input. In this case repeat the above steps.

To view the resulting grid: 'Grid', 'View', 'Grid'.

Now you have entered the presentation module Triplot. You can zoom in and out to check the grid with the well-known icons: . Leave the presentation module and close the grid data set.



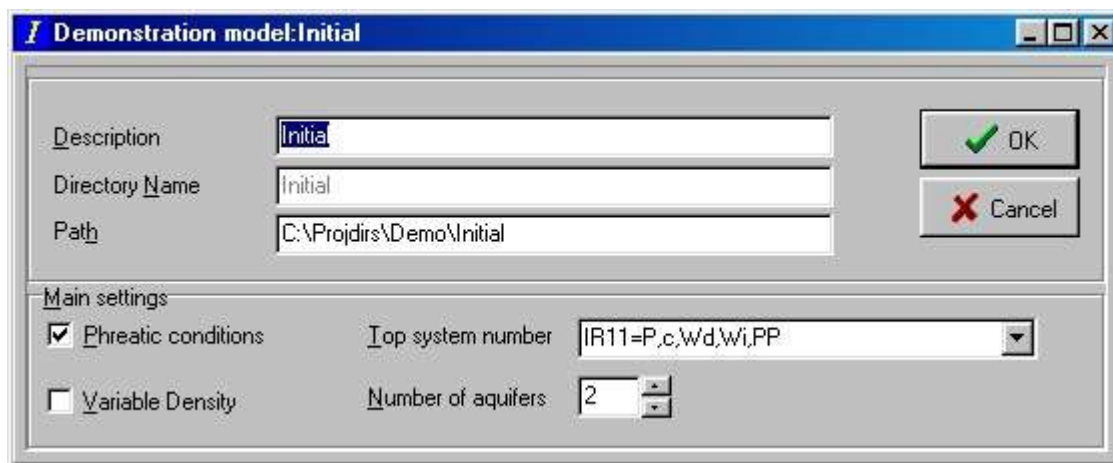
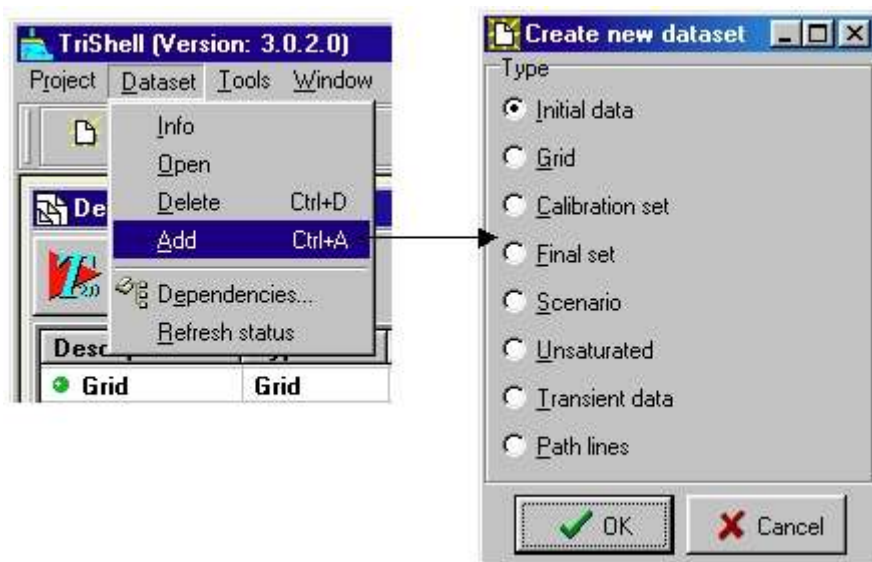
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- *Visibility of parameters (like elements, nodes, rivers) as well as the appearance of parameters can be changed in the properties window (Lm or View,' Properties form the pull down menu will open the properties window).*

3.4 Setting up an Initial data set, the conceptual model setup

The conceptual model is defined in the Initial data set. This data set contains the input parameters needed to run the model. The data in this data set is independent from the grid and can be compared to shape files used in a GIS. The characteristics of each parameter are entered using maps which may contain point values, polygons, lines or constants or a combination. The parameters may also depend on each other using expressions. The default length and time units are meters and days.

3.4.1 Opening an Initial data set

The initial data set is opened by: 'Data set', 'Add', 'Initial data', shown below.



In the definition screen you must define initial data for the model:

- **name for this data set:** usually Initial. The names of the data sets are also used to make directories.
- **phreatic conditions:** if chosen, the model will calculate with a variable transmissivity of the first (top) aquifer, depending on the groundwater head in this aquifer. We will use phreatic conditions so check this one.
- **variable density:** this option is used when calculations are carried out whereby the groundwater has a variable density (this option will only work with the Variable Density module which is not available in the standard package). In this model no variable density is used.
- **top system number:** type of topsystem (see manual for an explanation of the various **Triwaco** topsystems). In this case select topsystem no. 11. This type of topsystem is relatively simple and is often used, it contains precipitation excess, drainage and infiltration resistance and a controlled waterlevel.
- **number of aquifers** (obvious). The model will contain 2 aquifers so select 2.

After this **Triwaco** will present a list of parameters whose values need to be entered. The amount of parameters and the type of the parameters are based on the initial settings chosen in the former definition screen. You can sort the parameters in the list by clicking one of the titles in the table head.

Name	Type	Allocator	De...	Description
IR	NODE	Const	11	Recharge parameter number
RP1	NODE	arpadi	.001	Precipitation excess
RP2	NODE	Const	20	Hydraulic resistance semi-pervious layer
RP3	NODE	Const	250	Drainage resistance between drains/canals
RP4	NODE	Const	900	Infiltration resistance between drains/canals
RP5	NODE	Expression	0	Controlled water level
IB1	BOUNDARY	Const	0	Boundary condition of aquifer1
IB2	BOUNDARY	Const	0	Boundary condition of aquifer2
BH1	BOUNDARY	Const	.5	Boundary head in aquifer1
BH2	BOUNDARY	Const	.5	Boundary head in aquifer2
IS1	SOURCE	Const	0	Type of source input in aquifer1
IS2	SOURCE	Const	0	Type of source input in aquifer2
SQ1	SOURCE	SrcParAdo	0	Source discharge in aquifer1
SQ2	SOURCE	SrcParAdo	0	Source discharge in aquifer2
RW1	RIVER	Const	15	River widths in aquifer
HR1	RIVER	ParRiv	0	Water levels in rivers in aquifer
CD1	RIVER	Const	5	Drainage resistance of rivers in aquifer
CI1	RIVER	Const	25	Infiltration resistance of rivers in aquifer
RA1	RIVER	Const	1	River activity in aquifer
TH1	NODE	Const	-10	Base of aquifer
RL1	NODE	InvDist	0	Top of aquifer
PX1	NODE	Const	25	Permeability X-direction aquifer
CL1	NODE	Const	250	Resistance of aquitard1
TX2	NODE	Const	3500	Transmissivity X-direction aquifer2

The parameters can be divided in 4 types:

- parameters covering the whole model area (type 'node')
- linear surface water parameters (type 'river')
- source parameters (type 'source')
- boundary conditions (type 'boundary').

Every type has a specific way of definition, which is made clear in the next paragraphs.

Within this initial data set all parameter information is stored. In other words this data set is your databank for maps which are independent from the modelling grid and can later be used for other models.

The information is stored in three types of files:

- .ung files, (ungenerated file) which contain the co-ordinates of the map items.
- .par files, which contain the parameter values of the map items.
- .nam files, which contain the names of the items .

All maps are defined by at least an ungenerated file and a parameter file which can be viewed and edited using Digidit.

NB (initial settings)

- The names of the data sets are used to make directories.
- The next time you open the definition screen you can change the data set description.
- If you want to change one of the initial settings, delete the data set in the list of data sets and start again: Select the data set, 'Data set', 'Delete'.

3.4.2 Input of parameters covering the whole model area (type 'node')

The following parameters are node type parameters:

Parameters that define:

- The topsystem (parameter code **RPn.**),
- The resistance of the aquicludes (**CLn.**)
- The transmissivity of the aquifers (**TXn.**) or the permeability (**PXn.**),
- The top level of the first aquifer (**RL1**)
- And optionally the base level of the first aquifer (**TH1**).

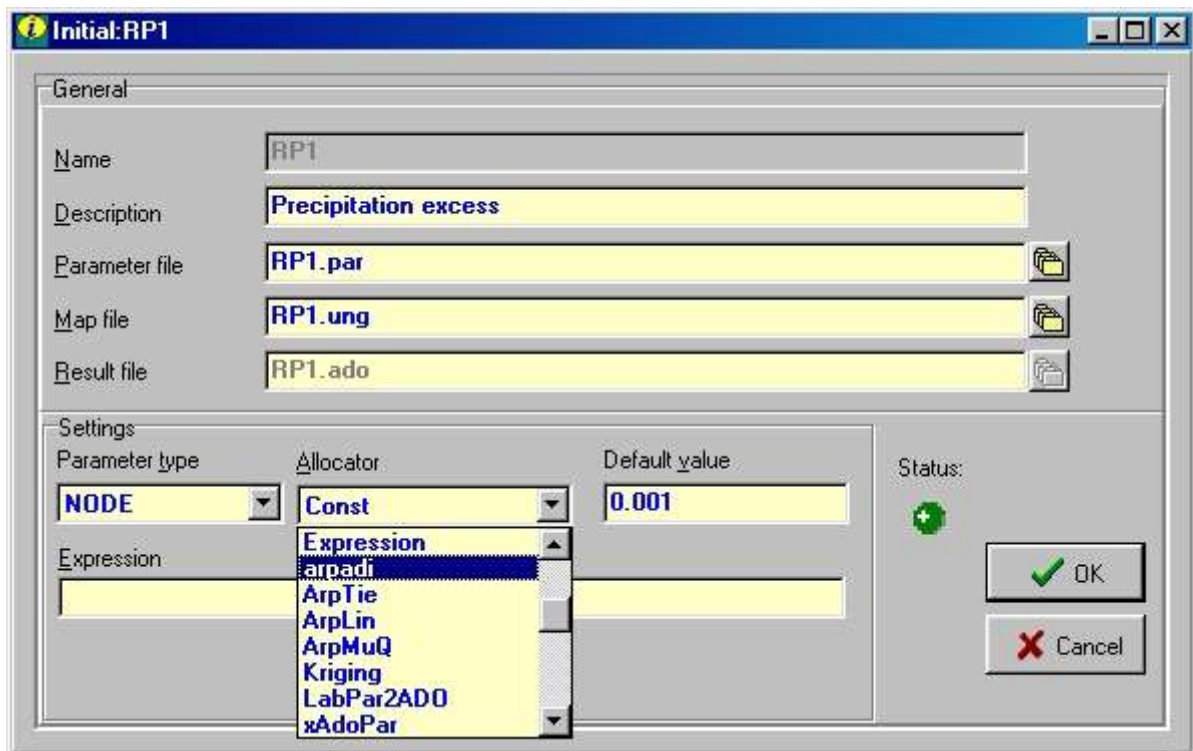
The data to be entered for the different parameters are listed in [annex 3b](#). To help you enter the data three examples are explained in more detail below. In this case two topsystem parameters, but the way the data is entered applies to all data covering the whole model:

1. The precipitation excess (**RP1**) is, in this case, entered with 'polygons' (areas with a constant parameter value) and a default value for areas where no value is defined.
2. Surface level (**RL1**) is defined by point values which may be entered using DigEdit.
3. The average water level in the small surface water (ditches etc.) (**RP5**) that is related to the ground level.

Example 1 (precipitation excess):

In the Initial Data set open the Info definition screen of the parameter RP1. Open the context menu (Right hand mouse button) and select 'Info'.

Enter a default value (in meter/day, e.g. 0,001 m/day = 1 mm/day). You can choose different allocators depending on the type of input (see [Annex 3a](#)). In this case, for polygons, select Arpadi. The parameter is of the



'node' type that is filled in as default already. You want you can also change the parameter description. Now define the polygons in the same way as you did with the density areas of the calculation grid ([see par. 3.3.5](#)).

Enter the desired value of the points enclosed by the polygon. Polygons can be changed in the same way as explained in chapter 3.

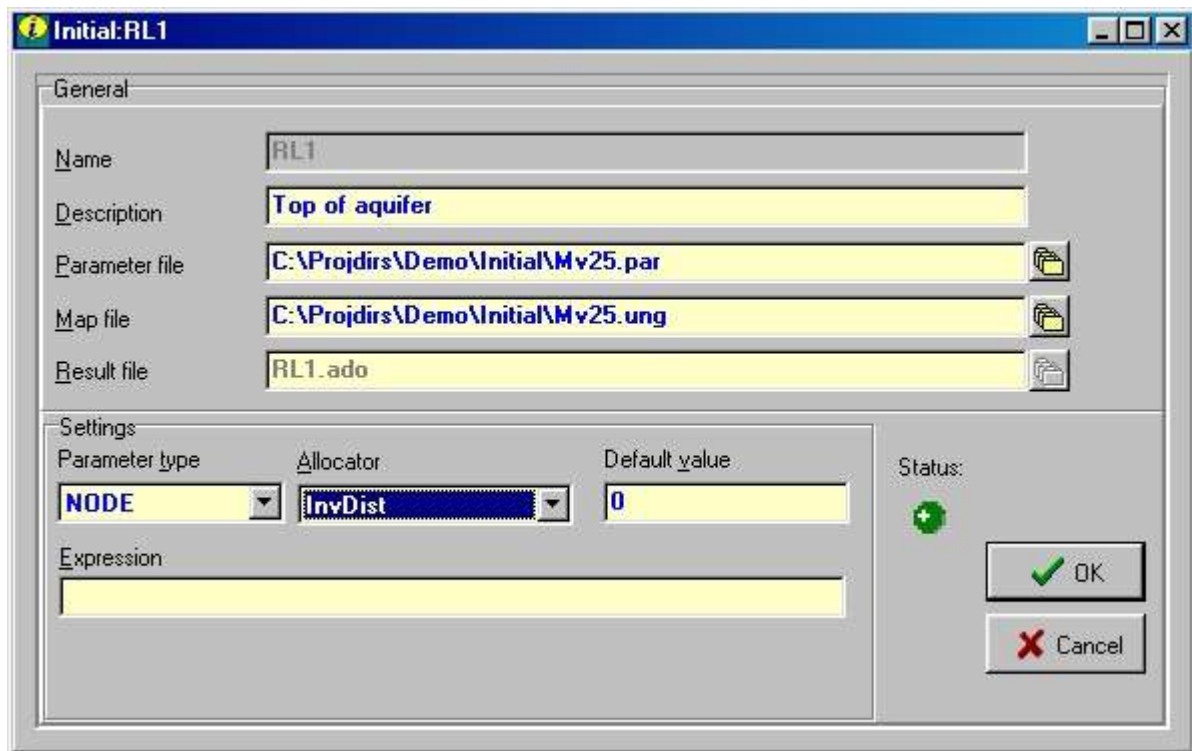
You can check at any moment which part of the area is filled with isoplanes by clicking the item 'Fill polygons' that you find in the sub-menu Options/Setup; the 'white spots' will remain white, the rest is coloured.

Save the file RP1 and close DigEdit.

Example 2 (surface level):

In the directory topo.geg two files mv25.ung (coordinate-file) and mv25.par (parameter value file) can be found. Copy these files into the initial data set directory. These files are already prepared and contain the surface level as point values.

Open the 'info definition screen' for the parameter RL1. Choose InvDist as the allocator (there are several interpolating allocators available using different methods, see [annex 3a](#) for a short explanation). Next select the appropriate mv25.ung and mv25.par file from the initial data set directory. Note that the parameter filename not necessarily has to be equal to the parameter name.



To view the point values of the surface level, simply double click on the parameter in the data set. This will automatically open DigEdit with the surface level file for editing.

Example 3 (controlled waterlevel):

A powerful option in **Triwaco** is to base a parameter on one or more other parameters. We will show you an example using the controlled water level. This is the topsystem parameter **RP5** (controlled waterlevel).

Open the 'info definition screen' for the parameter RP5. Choose the allocator 'Expression'. In the field 'Expression' enter a relation using the **Triwaco** parameter code names, e.g.: $RL1 - 0.80$. This relation means that the level of the small surface water, modelled with the topsystem, is taken at a level 80 cm below the surface level RL1. Note that in this case it is assumed that the level of the top of the first aquifer is equal to the surface level.

In this way all parameters, which are relevant for the whole model area, may be entered.

NB

- The code names are always typed in capitals.
- The polygons may overlap. A grid node that is situated in two planes will be given the parameter value belonging to the polygon with the smallest area (the polygons are sorted by the allocator Arpadi).

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- *If corner points of the isoplanes are placed close to each other, it is possible that the graphical editor will merge ('snap') the points. All points within a standard 'snap distance' will be merged. You can change the snap distance in the submenu Options/Setup/Snap options or you can turn off snapping completely (see check box 'Snap nodes').*
- *Expressions can get as complicated as you desire, an example: IF(RL1>TH1,RL1,TH1+0.01) (See also [annex 3a](#)).*

3.4.3 Input of parameters for watercourses (type 'river')

The parameters of the linear surface watercourses (brooks, rivers, canals) are:

1. The water levels **HR_n**.
2. The width of the water course **RW_n**.
3. The resistance for exchange of groundwater and surface water **CD_n** and **Cin**.
4. The river activity **RA_n**.

Example (water level):

As an example we take the parameter defining the width of the rivers (**HR1**). We enter the parameter values using a map.

Open the info definition screen for the parameter. Choose the allocator parriv.

Now open the HR1 mapfile in DigEdit. Next step is adding the surface water map that previously made for grid generation: '**File**', '**Append**'. Look for the file 'RIV.UNG' in the grid directory.

Mind the fact that you did not open this map as a background map this time! Instead you opened it to perform operations on it.


NB

- Each watercourse must be given at least one value (entered by one linked point).
- The linked points do not need to be placed exactly on the watercourse; a short distance from it will work too.
- If the value changes within a short distance (e.g. over a weir), then you place the linked points at the start and end of this short section.
- The River Activity (**RA..**) is a special parameter, that is a value (0 (inactive) or 1(active)) (see below).

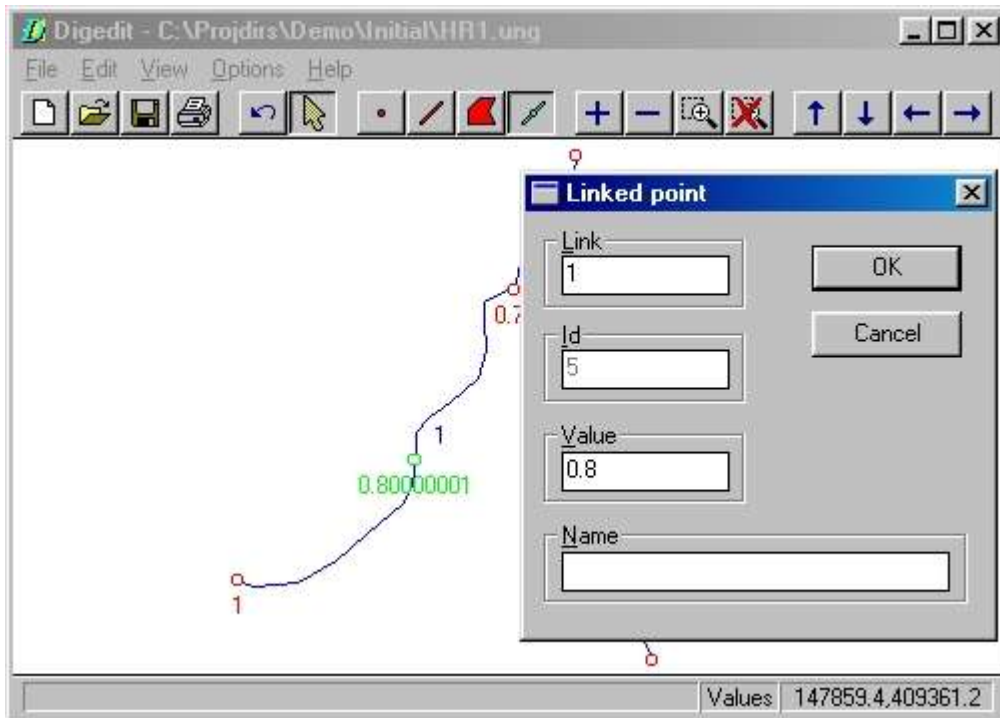
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- *Linked points are stored in a different way as stated in chapter 3.1. In this case the river number to which the point is linked, the coordinates as well as the parameter value are stored in the ungenerated file (e.g. HR1.ung)*

The values of the river parameters are defined by so-called 'linked points'. These linked points are placed on, or within a short distance of, each watercourse. The allocator interpolates between these points, or extrapolates

outside these points. Now enter the position of the linked points (). For each point you will be asked for a line to be linked to and a value. Choose as link the ID of the watercourse, and enter the parameter value. The ID of the linked point is not important.

If the watercourse numbers are not shown on the screen, change it in the menu Options/Setup/Label: Ids (and not: Hide labels).



If you wish to change the value of a linked point: click the icon  first, and then  (to start editing the linked points)

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- By default the watercourses are active in the first aquifer only; the number in the parameter codes (HR1) marks this. If a watercourse works in a second aquifer too, you must add some parameters: Choose Parameter/Add/Internal, and look in the parameter list for the parameter type: 'River activity in aquifer', select this type. The parameter is added to the data set with the code name RA. Change this in the info definition screen to **RA2** (the '2' indicates that the parameter is related to the second aquifer).

Do the same for the other parameters: **HR** ('Water levels in rivers in aquifer'); **RW** ('River widths in aquifer'), **CD** ('Drainage resistance of rivers in aquifer') and **CI** ('Infiltration resistance of rivers in aquifer'); add a '2' in all cases. Then you enter the values.

The water level (HR2) may be taken equal to the level in the first aquifer (HR1). In the info definition screen you choose as an allocator 'Expression', and enter the relation in the field 'Expression': $HR1$ (which means: $HR2 = 1.0 * HR1$). The other parameters can be treated in the same way, or you can enter new values using a map.

NB

- If you do not enter a value in a map, the default value is taken (defined in the info definition screen).
- On a confluence or division point of two watercourses you need to enter values for each of the two. As you cannot stack the input points, you put the points on (or next to) the watercourse, at a short distance of the confluence or division point. If the points are merged, change the Snap distance (see par. 3.2), delete the points and enter them again.

3.4.4 Input of source data (type 'source')

The source data are entered with the help of the graphical editor too. You can choose between sources with a fixed abstraction rate (parameters with code name **SQn.**) or a fixed head (parameters with code name **SHn.**). Either one is activated by the value of the parameter **ISn.**; the default value is 0 (fixed rate); if you enter value of 1 a fixed head is expected.

Example (abstraction in aquifer 2):

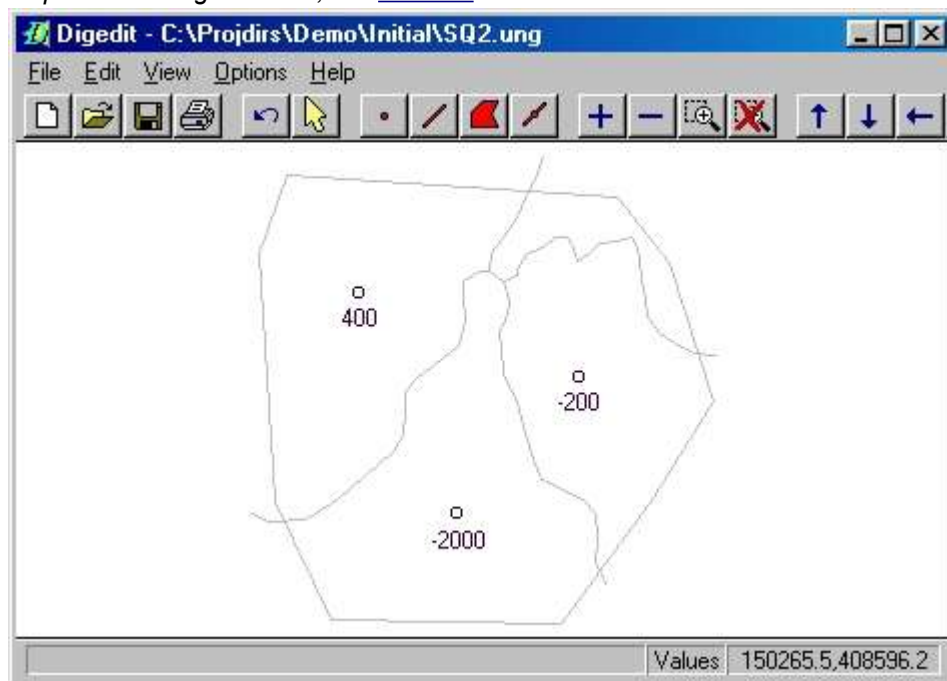
As an example we take the sources in the first aquifer defined by the parameter **SQ2** (sources in aquifer 1 are entered by parameter **SQ1** etc.).

Open the info definition screen for the parameter. Choose the allocator **srcparado**. Now open the **SQ2** mapfile in DigEdit. Now open the source position map that you created for the calculation grid by appending the file **SRC.UNG** located in the grid directory.

Assign the abstraction rate for each source in the Value field (in m³/d, negative number in case of an abstraction, positive in case of an injection) and enter a description if you want.

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- Input is also possible using an editor, see [Annex 2](#).

**3.4.5 Input of boundary conditions (type 'boundary')**

The parameters for boundary conditions are:

Type of boundary condition (0 = fixed head, 1 = flux), **IB_n**.

Boundary head, if boundary condition is a fixed head), **BH_n**.

Parameters to determine a flux over the boundary; both 0 in case of a flux=0; see the manual for other possibilities, **BA_n** and **BB_n**.

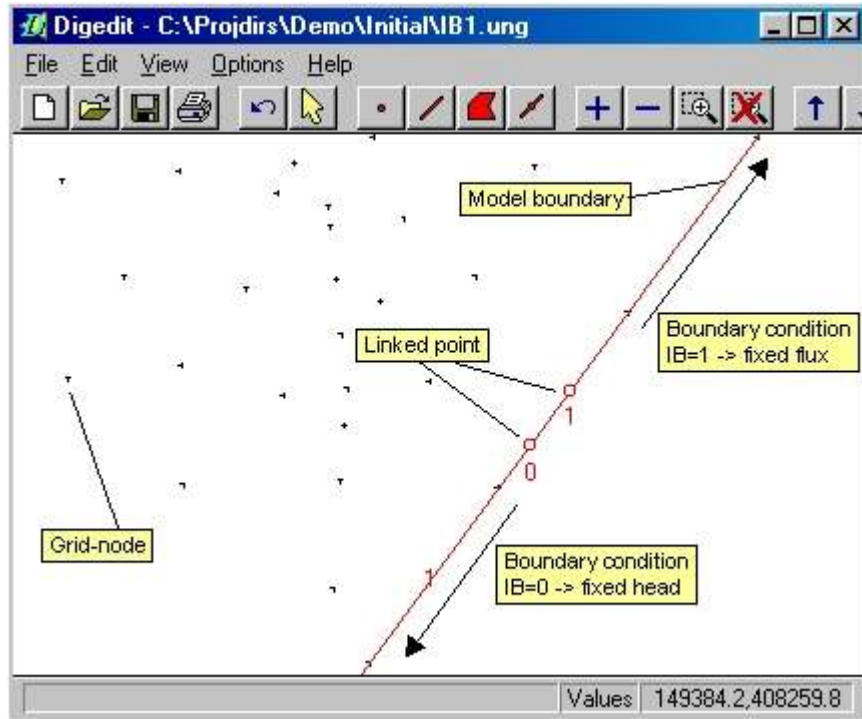
The boundary conditions are entered with linked points, similar to the parameters for the linear surface water. In DigEdit append the boundary map (File/Append) that is stored in the grid directory with name **BND.UNG**. The linked points by definition always are linked to 1, since there is only one boundary.

In this demonstrationmodel the boundary condition is a fixed head, which means that **IB_n=0**.

Consequently you only need to enter values for the head (parameter **BH_n**). The other parameters remain zero. The values are entered similar to those for linear surface water. Inbetween linked points the values are interpolated. To keep the model simple enter a constant value for the boundary head of 0.5m.

NB

- If the type of boundary condition (fixed head / flux) should be different at a certain location or stretch of boundary, put two points with different values for **IB** at both sides of this location (=grid node).

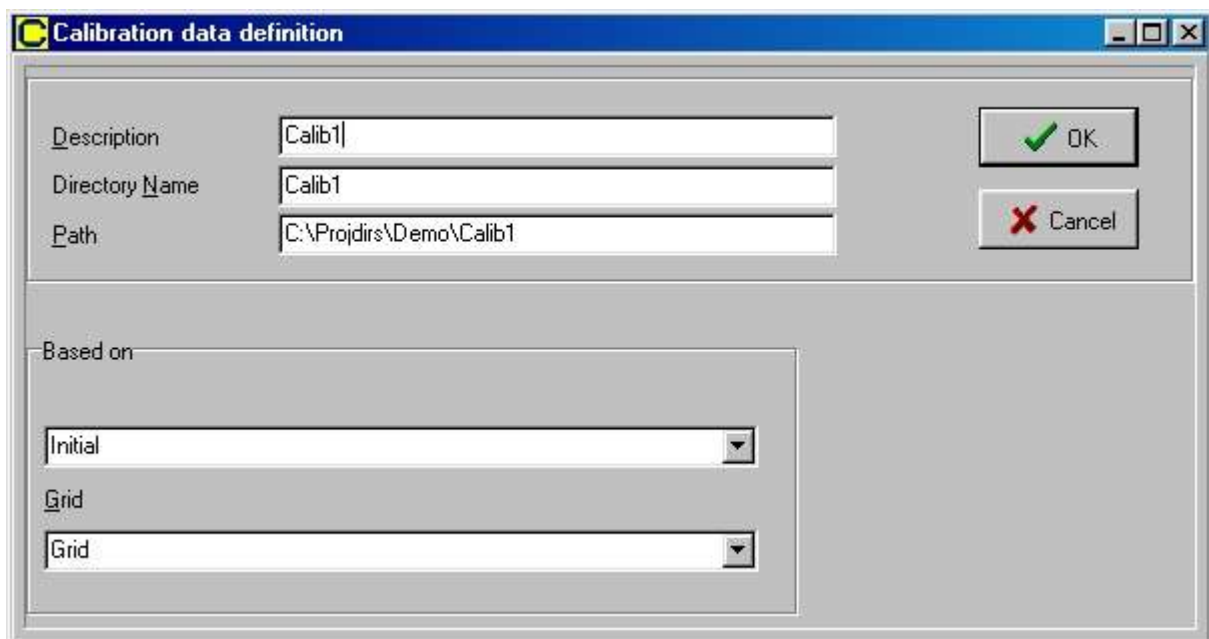


3.5 Setting up a calibration data set (first calculation)

Up to now the parameter values are stored independently of the calculation grid in tables and maps. The advantage is that the grid can be changed without a change of the original input. The original input is linked (allocated) to the grid in a separate data set, the calibration set. This is done only for the conceptual model and the calibration; for scenario calculations the changed basic data (maps and tables) and with their allocated values are stored in the corresponding scenario data set.

3.5.1 Opening a calibration data set

The calibration data set is opened by: 'Data set','Add','Calibration Set'.



Enter a description (preferably without spaces or points).

The Calibration data set is based on the Initial data set; this is shown in the next input screen (see the name in the field 'Based on'). If you have more than one calculation grid you can choose one in the field 'Grid'.

Triwaco will show the list of parameters of the initial set. Currently all parameters have a red cross which means they either need to be updated or allocation is not carried out yet. We will now allocate them to the grid.

3.5.2 Allocation of data to the grid

Allocation is done as follows:

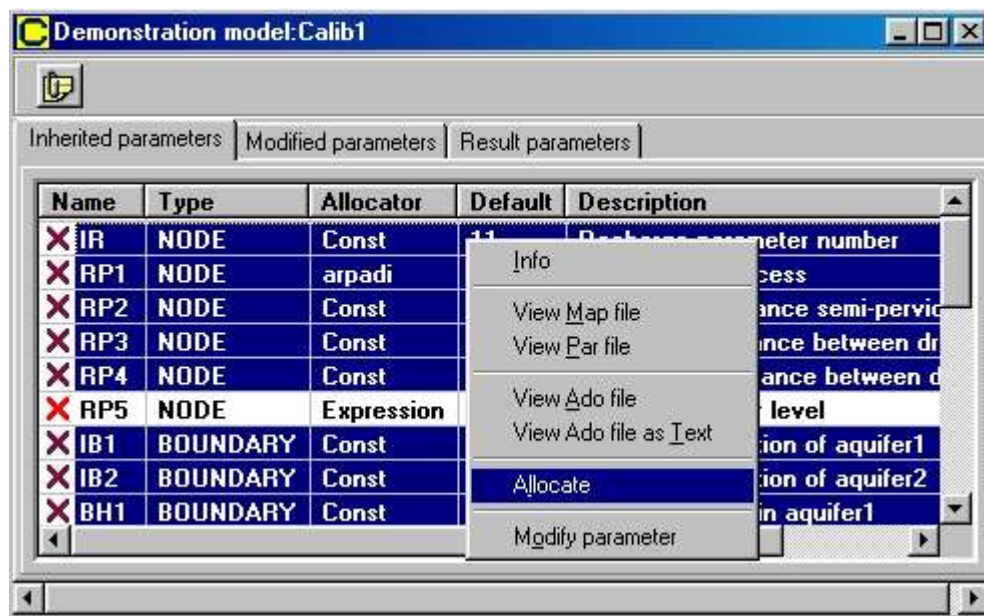
- per parameter: select the parameter, open context menu (right hand mouse) and select Allocate (shown in the picture below).
- for a group of parameters: select the group of parameters and Allocate.

The parameter information, defined by polygons, lines or points, is translated to so called adore files. An adore file has a fixed format in which the information for each grid node is stored. These files have the extension **.ado**.

NB

- If parameters are related to other parameters by means of an Expression, the independent parameters must be allocated first and the dependent parameters after that.

There is always a change of error in the input files. It is therefore recommended to check all the allocated data (adore files) before running a simulation! The easiest way is to use the presentation module Triplot. However, you can get a quick view of an allocated input file if you select the parameter, and 'View Ado file as text', but you will only see columns of numbers. The use of TriPlot to view data input that is allocated to the grid will now be explained.



3.5.3 Viewing and checking allocated data with TriPlot

To view a parameter in Triplot, select a parameter and 'view Ado file'. The presentation module Triplot is opened. After the first parameter is loaded into TriPlot you may select multiple files from the data set and load them at once into TriPlot.

NB

- If you want to see another file, choose (in TriPlot) 'Parameter', 'Load'. Select the parameter file and the parameter set. Choose 'Info' for some statistical information.

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- Visibility of parameters as well as the appearance of parameters can be changed in the properties window (via the context menu or by selecting 'Properties' from the pull down menu)

You can present the parameter values in several ways:

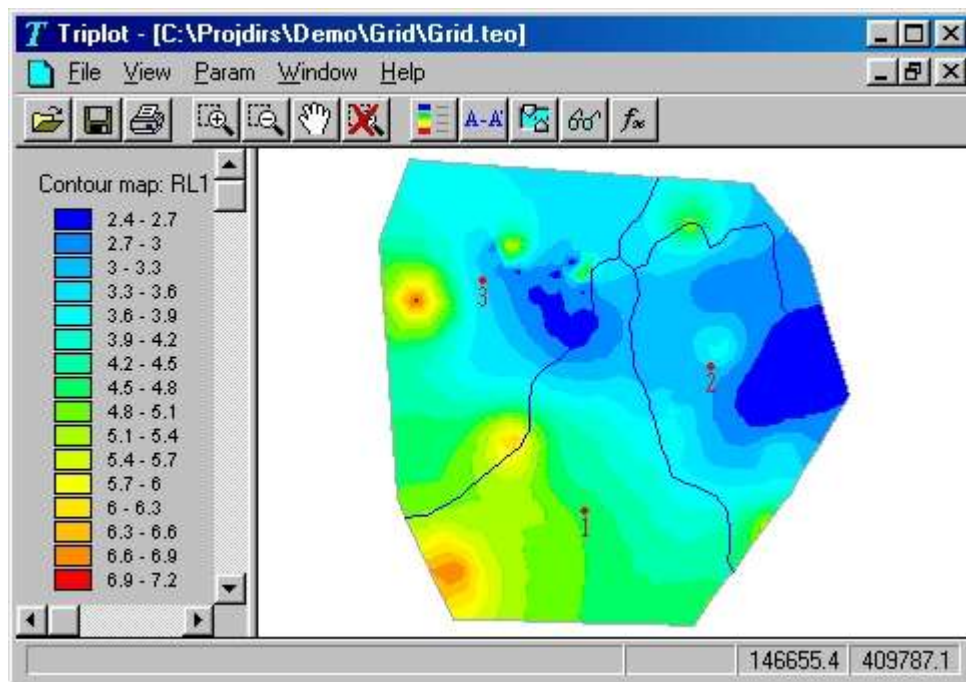
- Isolines
- Classes
- Node values.

Isolines

Choose '**Param**','**Contour**', select the parameter. An input screen will appear. The commands in the corner left below (Level) are the most important. A default set of isoline values (levels) has been filled in already, from the minimum to the maximum parameter value.

- Change the total set using **Level**. You'll get equal differences between the isoline values.
- Change an individual level using **Modify**; the value and the colour can be changed, and the colour too (click the coloured field to change the colour).
- Change the default series of colours using **Colour** (command right of Level).
- Insert a level by clicking **Insert**; **Delete** will delete a level.
- If you want to save a set of levels, choose **Save** and enter a file name with the extension 'lvl'.
- Load the saved set of levels using **Load**.
- **Default** restores the original set of levels.
- See the manual for the other possibilities of **TriPlot**.

If absent add a legend choosing '**View**','**Legend**' and the parameter shown. If you want to change the isolines, you can do so by '**Param**','**Contour**' or '**View**','**Properties**'.

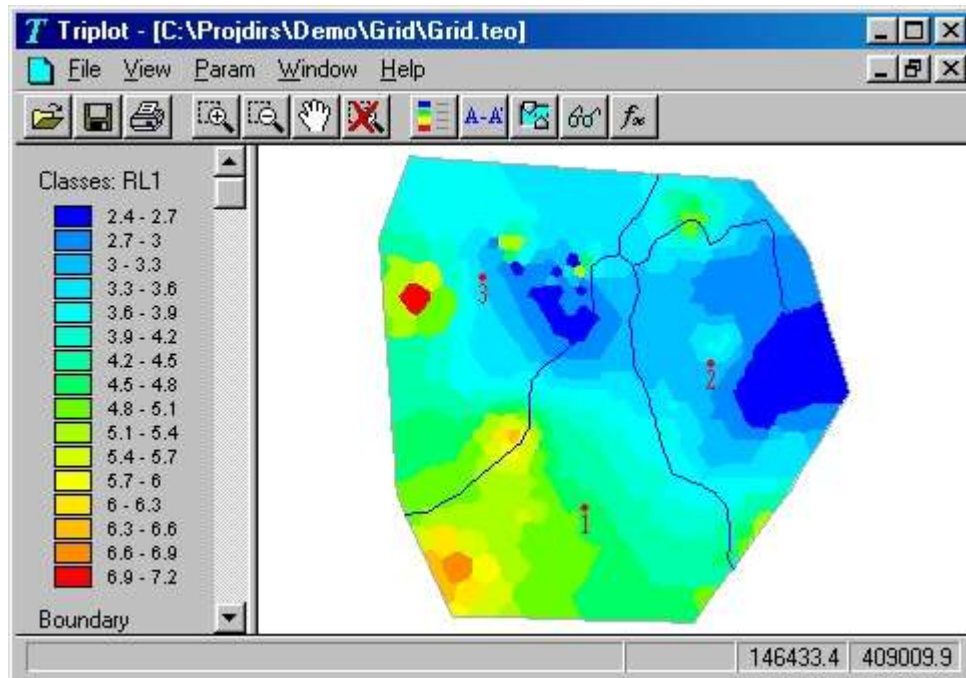


Classes:

The definition of classes is nearly the same as the isoline definition. Choose '**Param**','**Classify**', and do the same as described here before for isolines. If you want to change the classes, you can choose '**Param**','**Classify**' or '**View**','**Properties**'.

NB

- The numbers in the input table are always the **upper limits** of the classes. A number equal to a limit is classified into the class with higher values. So, if you enter class limits -1 0 1 2, the classes will be:
 1. $[x < -1]$;
 2. $[-1 \leq x < 0]$;
 3. $[0 \leq x < 1]$;
 4. $[1 \leq x < 2]$.




**Node values:**

You will frequently use the properties window 'View','Properties' (or click righthandmouse button somewhere in the map). The left part of the window is a list of items shown on the screen; the right part gives a list of all other items that are hidden. You will find - among others - the node values of the chosen parameters ('Node labels'). You can also select an item in the list of Visible items, and change the appearance.

Some other options:

Enter a background map in the menu 'View', 'Background map', similar to loading a backgroundmap in DigEdit. One may for instance also load a parameter input map to check the allocated parameter. The parameter maps can be found in the Initial data set directory; it's a file consisting of the code name of the parameter and the extension .ung.

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- An extra dimension to the presentation of parameters can be given by the option '*Parameters*','*Shading*'.
- Measure lengths and areas by selecting , and pointing the corner points by clicking in the map. The lines will remain on the screen until you zoom in or out or rewrite the screen in another way.
- Cross-sections can be made by selecting , and pointing the corner points of the section by clicking in the map. To end a section click the righthand mouse button. Experiment with the options in the section window. Best results are obtained when layer parameters RLn and THn are loaded in TriPlot as well.
- Try the inspector . Pointing and pressing the left-hand mouse button at various locations causes the program to display coordinates, element and node numbers and values of all loaded parameters for the selected location.
- When contouring parameters, try the option of transparency

NB

- If you have loaded more parameters after each other with the same name, a serial number is added to the code name.
- When more than one paramter is contoured/classified you can change the order of appearance similar to a GIS system in the properties window.

If the parameter must be modified do so in the Initial data set. Select the parameter, and modify it like you did before entering the parameter values. After that, go back to the Calibration data set, and allocate the parameter again!

3.5.4 First simulation

When all parameters are allocated to the calculation grid and checked, the model is ready for the first simulation run. Choose 'Calibration', 'Generate input' (creates an inputfile, based on the actual parameters in the set) and then 'Calibration', 'Run Simulation'. A simulation window is opened showing the progress of the simulation. When ready it closes. You can now view the results.

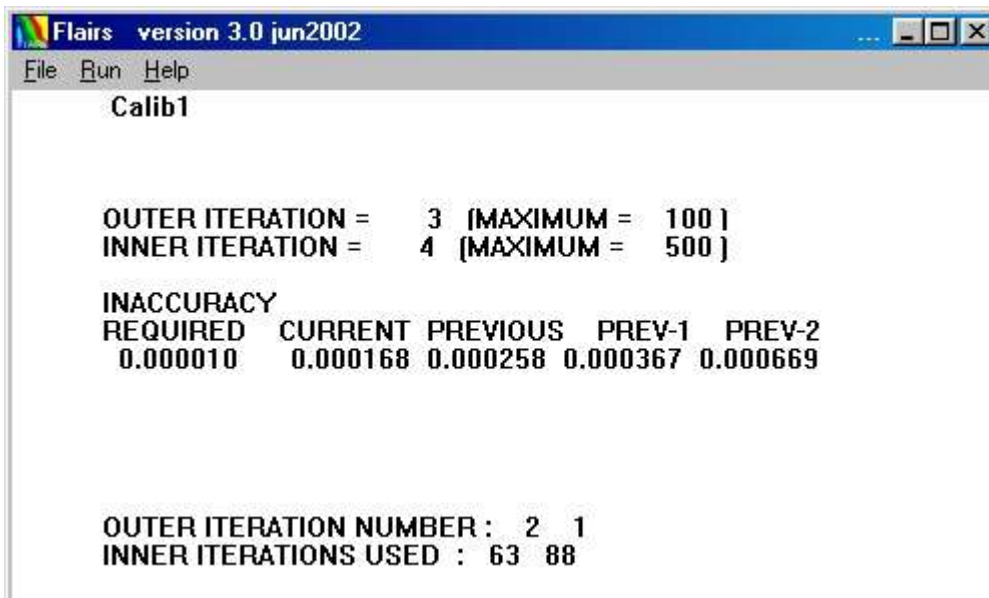
When a simulation is finished the following files are produced (located in ..\Calib1):

- Flairs.flo: result file with piezometric heads and fluxes
- Flairs.flg: log file with a description of the calculation process
- Flairs.flp: print file with waterbalances for all aquifers, rivers and sources

NB

When all input data is defined correctly the model runs without problems. Often however the model will not run because of some errors in the input parameters. There is no standard method for finding the error in the input that causes a problem. Often reading the file FLAIRS.LOG ('Calibration', 'View', 'Log'), where error messages are being displayed, can solve the problem. In the log file it is recorded which parameter causes the problem. Contact the **Triwaco** Helpdesk if you are stuck.

For viewing the waterbalances open the Flairs.flg into a texteditor ('Calibration', 'View', 'Print'). The waterbalances show you how well the conceptual model is and thus the model itself is. For a good model the error in the waterbalance should be small.



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Flairs version 3.0 jun2002
File Run Help
Calib1

OUTER ITERATION = 3 (MAXIMUM = 100)
INNER ITERATION = 4 (MAXIMUM = 500)

INACCURACY
REQUIRED CURRENT PREVIOUS PREV-1 PREV-2
0.000010 0.000168 0.000258 0.000367 0.000669

OUTER ITERATION NUMBER : 2 1
INNER ITERATIONS USED : 63 88

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- **Triwaco** computes groundwater heads/flow by iteration, starting from groundwater heads equal to 0.0. A quicker calculation process may be obtained if you enter initial values for the heads that are closer to the heads to be calculated. After the first calculation with reasonable results, you can enter these calculated heads as initial values. This is done as follows:

First add a number of parameters to the calibration set under the Modified Parameters-tab:

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HT          (= groundwater head phreatic aquifer)
HH1         (= head aquifer 1)
HH2         (= head aquifer 2)
... up to:
HHn         (= head aquifer n).

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Adding parameters is done by:

1. Go back to the Calibration set', 'Modified tab, and choose 'Parameter', 'Add', 'Internal', and look for

- 'Groundwater head in topsystem'. Select this parameter type.
- In the parameter list of the data set, select the new parameter with code name HH, open the context menu 'Info':
 - change the code name HH to HH1 (parameter refers to aquifer 1)
 - change the description to '.. aquifer 1'
 - choose as an allocator: Expression
 - type in the field 'Expression': $1.0 * PHI1$. (PHI_n for the other aquifers).
 - Close
 - Repeat action 1 and 2 one or more times (depending on the number of aquifers that are included in the model). Always select the parameter 'Groundwater head in aquifer'.
 - For the groundwater head in the topsystem, select the new parameter with code name HT, open the context menu 'Info':
 - choose as an allocator: Expression
 - type in the field 'Expression': $1.0 * PHIT$
 - Close
 - Allocate the new parameters.
 - Note that this will speed up the iteration process.

3.5.5 Viewing and presenting results

When the simulation is finished, you can view the results. Choose 'Calibration', 'View', 'Results'; again Triplot is opened. The simulation results are automatically loaded, so you can directly select one of the output variables. (If the output file appears not to be selected, Choose 'Param', 'Load', and select the file 'flairs.flo' in the directory of the calibration data set. Then you can continue with the presentation of the results). Presentation and viewing of the results is carried out in the same way as for viewing allocated data explained earlier.

The results consist of the following variables:

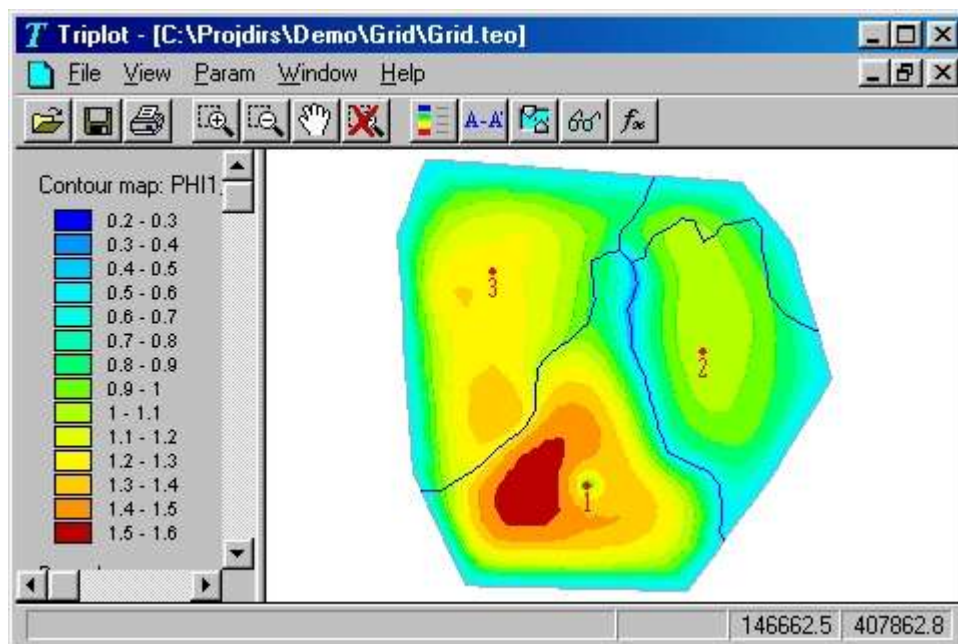
PHIT = head phreatic aquifer (in meter+ reference level)

PHIx = head aquifer x (m+reference level)

QRCH = recharge first (top) aquifer (m/day; positive = downward flux)

QKWx = recharge of aquifer x from aquifer below (m/d; positive = upward flux)

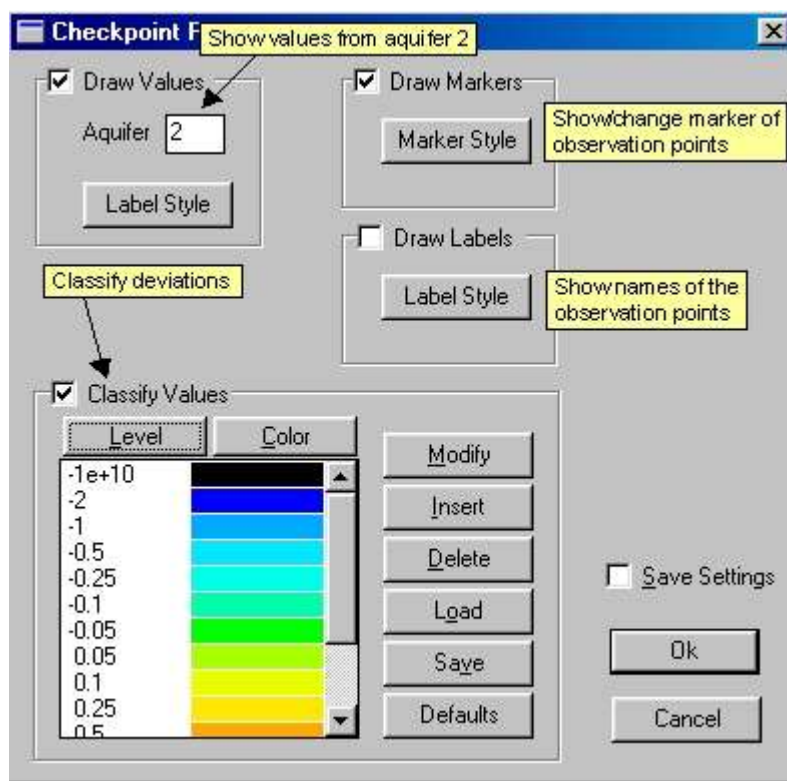
QRix = exchange flux between groundwater and the linear surface water, in aquifer x (in m³/day; positive = from surface water to groundwater).



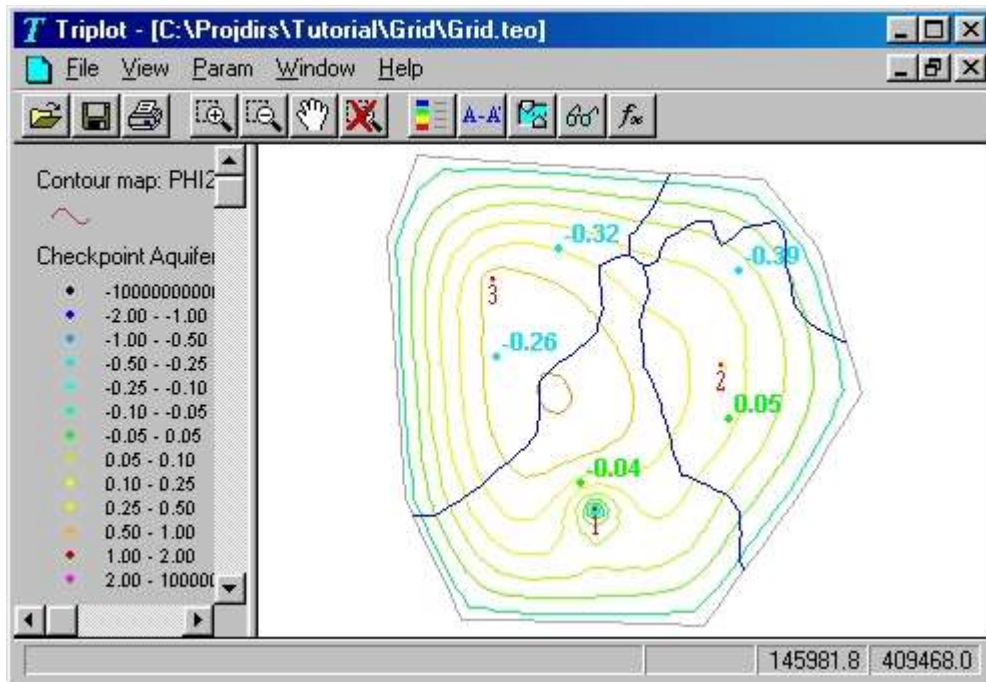
3.5.6 Comparing simulation results with measurements (calibration)

For the calibration of the model you compare the results with measurements. In most cases a model is calibrated using measured groundwater heads, but calibrating using fluxes is also possible. In **Triwaco** comparison between measured and simulated results is automated. The only thing you have to do is to create an calibration-input file which has a fixed format. The measured head should be entered in an ASCII-file named **calib.chi**. In [annex 4](#) it is explained how to make calibration input file. In the directory topo.geg a predefined calib.chi can be found. Simply copy this file into the calibration data set directory. Go back to the TriShell and view the file by 'Calibration','Calibration','Input'.

After a calculation the calculated and measured heads are compared automatically. The results (stored in the file **calib.cho**) can be viewed choosing 'Calibration','Calibration','ViewOutput', or 'Calibration','Calibration','ViewMap' which opens TriPlot. You will be prompted to load the checkpoint output from TriPlot. This is done by 'View','Checkpoint Output'. Browse and locate and load the file calib.cho from the calibration data set directory. Next the properties window is opened. If you like change the settings. The values represent the difference of the calculated value with respect to the measured value. A negative value means that the measured head is higher than the calculated head.



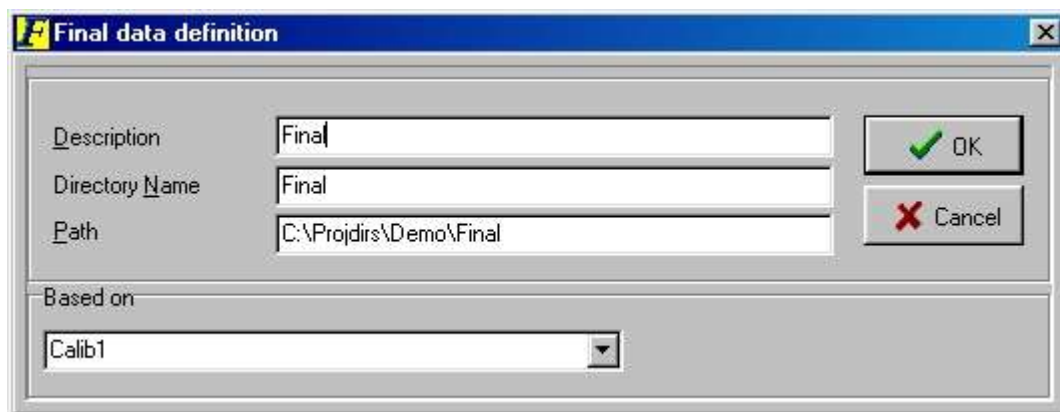
The result should then look something like this.



3.6 Setting up a Final data set

When you are satisfied with the results of the calibration, save the allocated input files and results in a separate data set: the Final data set. You use this data set for scenario calculations to be based on.

The Final dataset is created similar as any other data set. Choose 'Data set', 'Add', 'Final set'. In the field 'Based on' you choose the Calibration data set. The input files (maps as well as allocated files) and results are copied automatically to the Final data set. Close the data set.



NB

- If you change a parameter in the Initial and/or Calibration data set the Final set is no longer up to date. In that case update the Final set by opening it and choose 'Final', 'Update'. The new input and output from the data sets on which the Final data set is based on will then be copied to the Final data set.

3.7 Setting up a Scenario data set

In most cases a groundwater model is used to predict consequences of changes made to the water system. These changes usually concern only a few model parameters. Therefore **Triwaco** has introduced the so called Scenario data set. For a particular scenario data set the model parameters are inherited from the Final data set (on which it is based) and only the parameters that need to be changed for that scenario have to be defined.

3.7.1 Opening a scenario data set and run a scenario simulation

When you want to add scenarios always remember to create a Final data set first (see previous chapter). For each scenario simulation, open a new data set of the 'Scenario' type. Enter a name as done before. In the field 'Based on' you choose the reference data set 'Final'. Note that this can only be a Final data set.

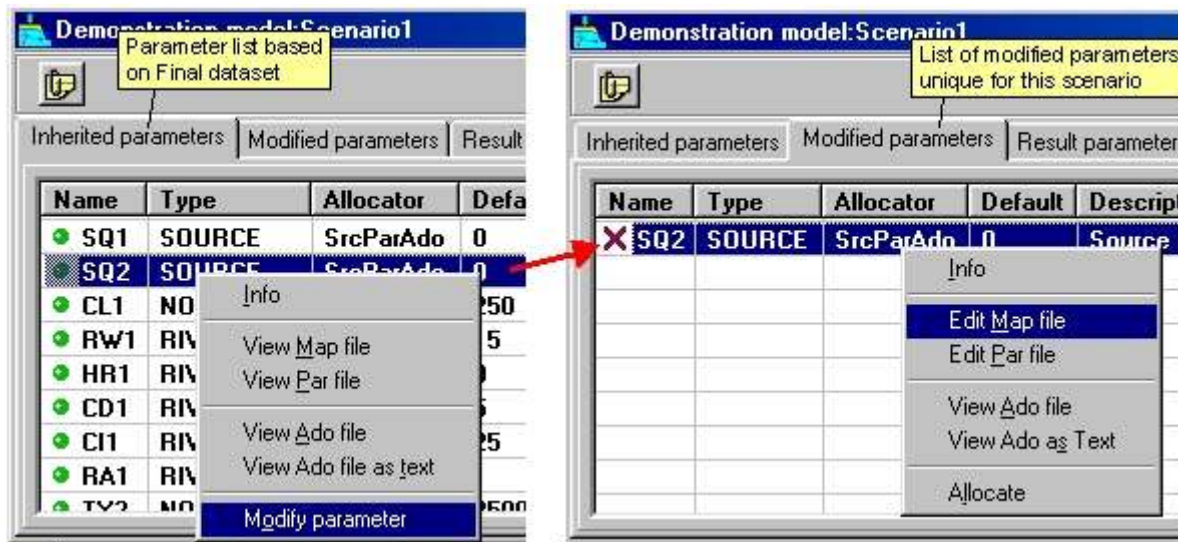
You will notice that the dataset contains all parameters from the Final data set (and consequently from the calibration dataset). These parameters are not physically present in the Scenario data set but are referenced to the actual parameter files in the Final data set.

In the Scenario data set there are the tabs 'Inherited' and 'Modified'. In the inherited-tab the parameters of the reference data set are stored. In the modified-tab only the parameters that are modified with respect to the reference data set are stored.

E.g.: if you want to calculate the effect of a different abstraction rate in a source, you only have to move this parameter from the inherited tab to the modified-tab; the rest will be the same as in the reference data set. This is done as follows:

Open the Scenario data set. Select the parameter(s) that are modified with respect to the Final set by choosing **'Modify Parameter'** from the context menu.

Now the parameter is moved to the Modified-tab and the input parameters are copied from the initial set of the reference data set. Notice that only the modified parameters will be physically present in the Scenario data set directory.



Next modify the parameter by loading it in DigEdit. As explained for the initial abstraction rate in par. 3.5.4 change the abstraction rate for one of the sources. Save the parameter file and close DigEdit. Now allocate this new data to the grid. You've now created an Scenario.

To run the simulation choose **'Scenario', 'Generate input'** (creates an inputfile, based on the modified parameters in the set and the parameters referenced to the Final data set) and then **'Scenario', 'Run Simulation'**. A simulation window is opened showing the progress of the simulation. When ready it closes. You can now view the results with **'Scenario', 'View', 'Results'**.

For practising the things you have learned in the former chapters, execute exercise 1 and 2 in [annex 6](#). For a little help on how to modify parameters, presenting the results and in an efficient way combining and processing of data read the next paragraph.

3.7.2 Combining and processing of model results and parameters

You can combine and process data files in **Triwaco**; subtract, add, multiply or divide input data with input, output with output and input with output. The result is a new parameter (user defined) that is stored in one of the data sets (or a specially opened data set).

The parameters defined for processing have to be defined in one of the data sets (except grid and initial data set since no adore files are present). For processing, add a parameter in one of the data sets under the tab Modified. Choose '**Parameter**', '**Add**', '**User defined**'.

Triwaco presents an input screen. Enter:

- **name**: a codename (It is better not to make the code name longer than 4 characters, for **Triwaco** only reads the first four. Do not make the name equal to existing code names, such as PHIT, RL1, RP1 etc.)
- **description**: (obvious)
- **expression**: insert the expression. If the parameters in this process are part of other data sets than the one to which this parameter is added, you should specify the names of the other data sets. Always type the name of the data set, a dollar sign and then the parameter code name (all without spaces), e.g.: CALIB1\$RL1 for the top of aquifer 1 in the data set CALIB1.

Example:

After calculating a scenario usually you want to determine the change in waterlevel with regard to the original water level (stored in the Final data set).

Go to the modified tab of the scenario data set. Add a new parameter (Parameter', 'Add', 'User defined) called dPHI2, (which is a possible abbreviation of difference between original and newly calculated groundwater head).

The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Scenario1:dPHI2" with a "General" tab. The fields are as follows:

Field	Value
Name	dPHI2
Description	New minus Reference groundwater head
Parameter file	dPHI2.par
Map file	dPHI2.ung
Result file	dPHI2.ado

Settings section:

Parameter type	Allocator	Default value
NODE	Expression	0

Expression field: PHI2 - FINAL\$PHI2

Status: Green with a plus sign (+)

Buttons: OK, Cancel

Select the allocator to be 'Expression'. In the field 'Expression' type: PHI2- FINAL\$PHI2.

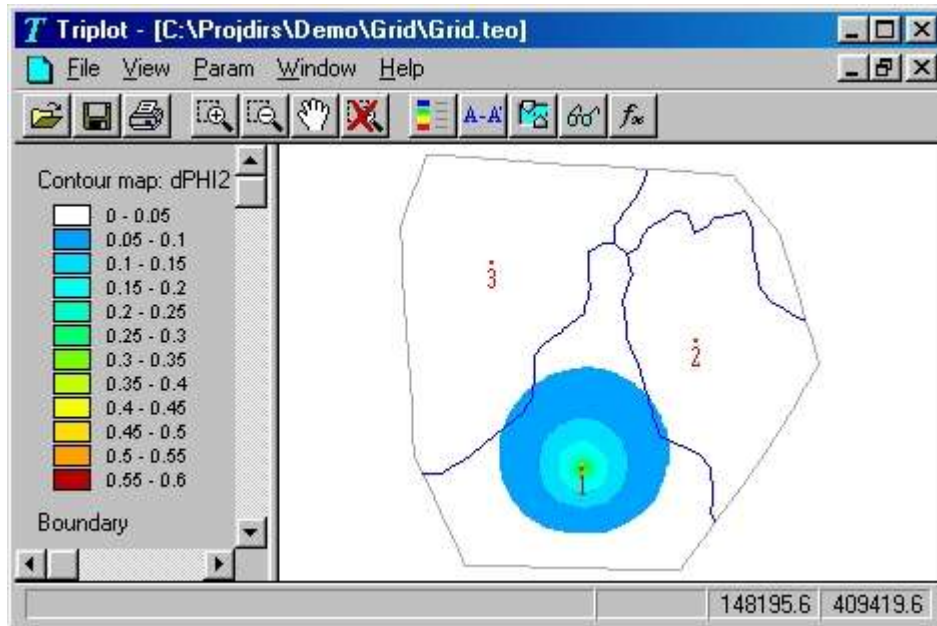
The parameter PHI2 is part of the data set to which the new parameter is added; that is why you do not have

to specify the name of this data set in the expression (it is the default set). Lm OK, and allocate the parameter (Parameter', 'Allocate).

NB

- The next time you do a simulation run with this scenario the difference is simply obtained by re-allocating the parameter dPHI2.
- A full explanation of the application of expressions can be found in the manual. A selection of often used expressions can be found in [annex 3a](#).

The resulting dPHI2 may look something like this. For other scenario simulations repeat the above described steps, start by creating a new scenario data set.



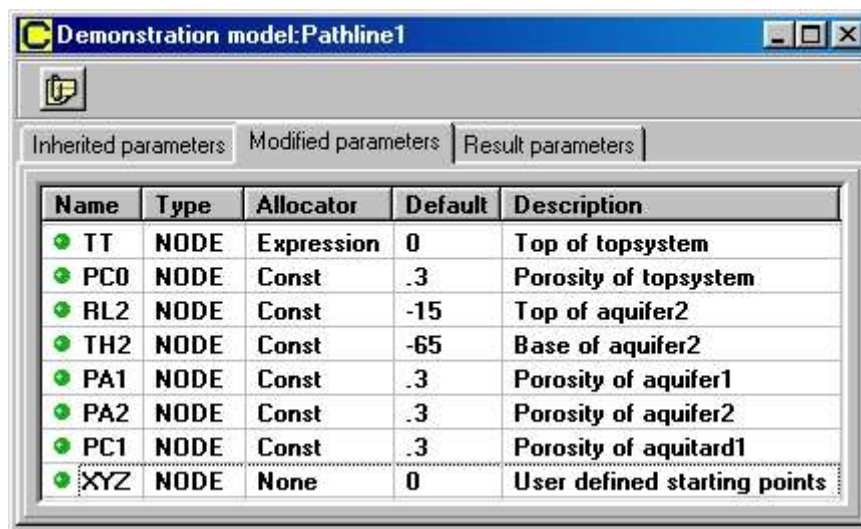
3.8 Setting up a Pathline data set

3.8.1 Opening a Pathline data set

To calculate pathlines create a data set of the type 'Path lines' just like any other data set you have added until now. In 'Based on' select the reference data set, for which you want to calculate pathlines. This can be a Calibration set, a Final set or a Scenario set. In this case we will base it on the final data set.

The basic data of parameters from the reference set are given in the list with 'Inherited parameters'. Parameters that are specifically used in pathline calculations (which are not yet defined) are located in the list with 'Modified parameters'.

These parameters are the top and base of each aquifer as well as their porosity. These parameters must be defined and allocated in the same manner as shown before. Two other parameters are TT, Top of topsystem which is often chosen equal to the surface level (RL1) or the groundwater level (PHIT).



Name	Type	Allocator	Default	Description
TT	NODE	Expression	0	Top of topsystem
PC0	NODE	Const	.3	Porosity of topsystem
RL2	NODE	Const	-15	Top of aquifer2
TH2	NODE	Const	-65	Base of aquifer2
PA1	NODE	Const	.3	Porosity of aquifer1
PA2	NODE	Const	.3	Porosity of aquifer2
PC1	NODE	Const	.3	Porosity of aquitard1
XYZ	NODE	None	0	User defined starting points

Through 'Pathlines', 'Options' a window is opened in which the type of pathline calculations can be selected.

The following types of calculations are discerned:

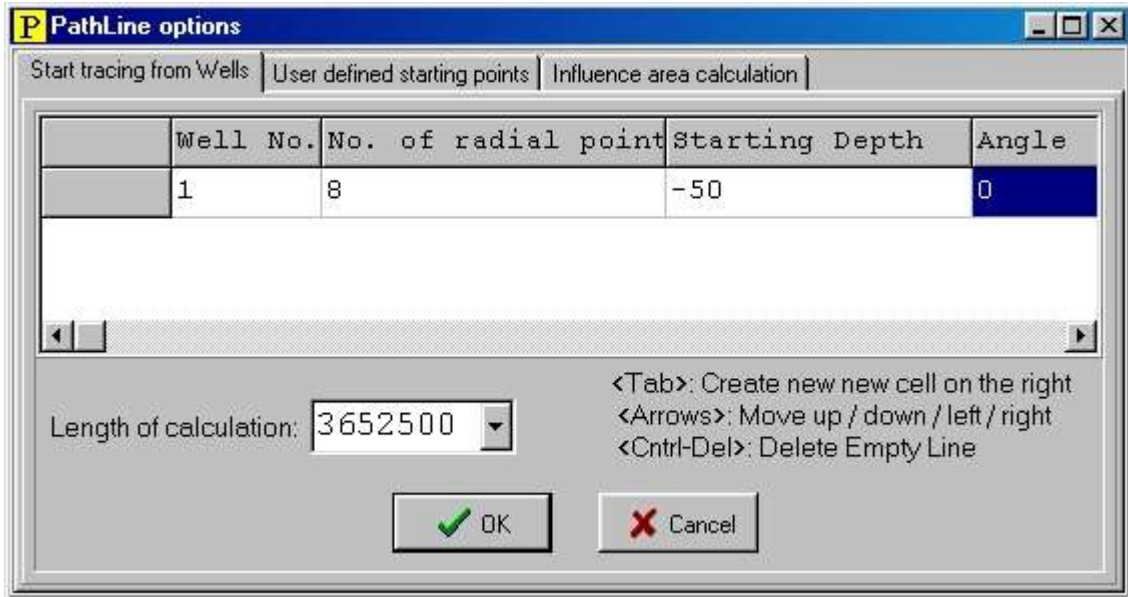
- Tracing from wells
- User defined starting points
- Influence area calculation

It is also possible to carry out pathline calculations interactively in **TriPlot**.

Since it is often found difficult we will carry out all four possible ways of pathline calculations.

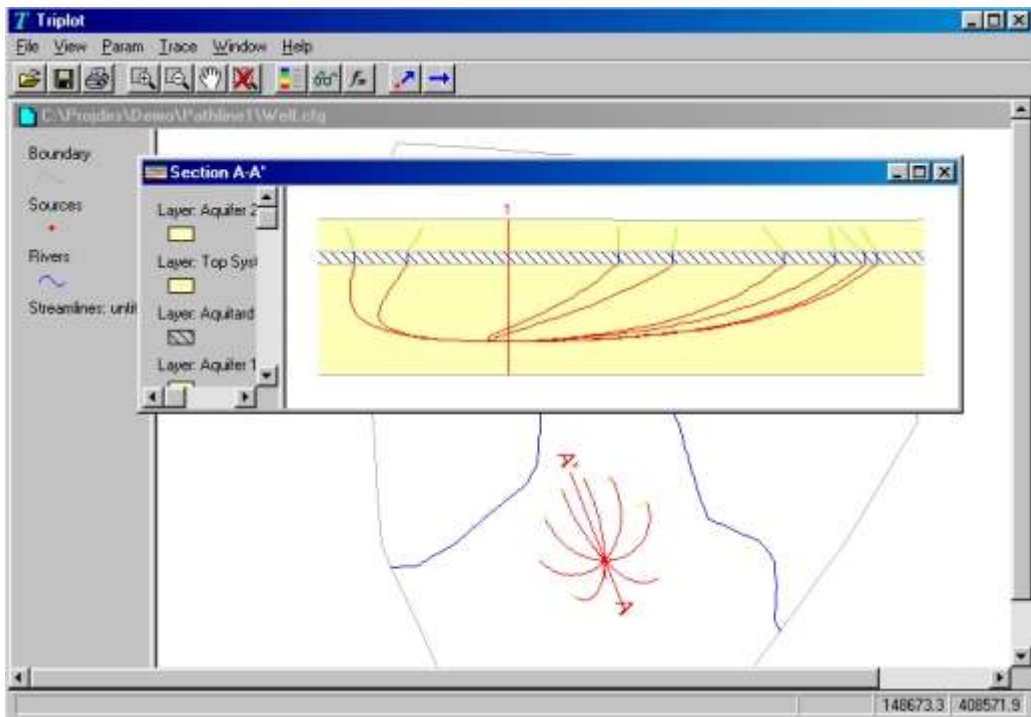
3.8.2 Calculate pathlines from (abstraction) wells

Open the options menu through 'Pathlines ',' Options'. Select the tab for 'Start tracing from wells'. For this purpose copy the values from the picture below. In this window the well number is specified, the number of pathlines used for the calculation, the depth from which the pathlines are started from and the starting angle (almost always 0 which means horizontal). The length of the calculation is taken just as a very long period (in days). The direction of the pathline is by definition upstream.

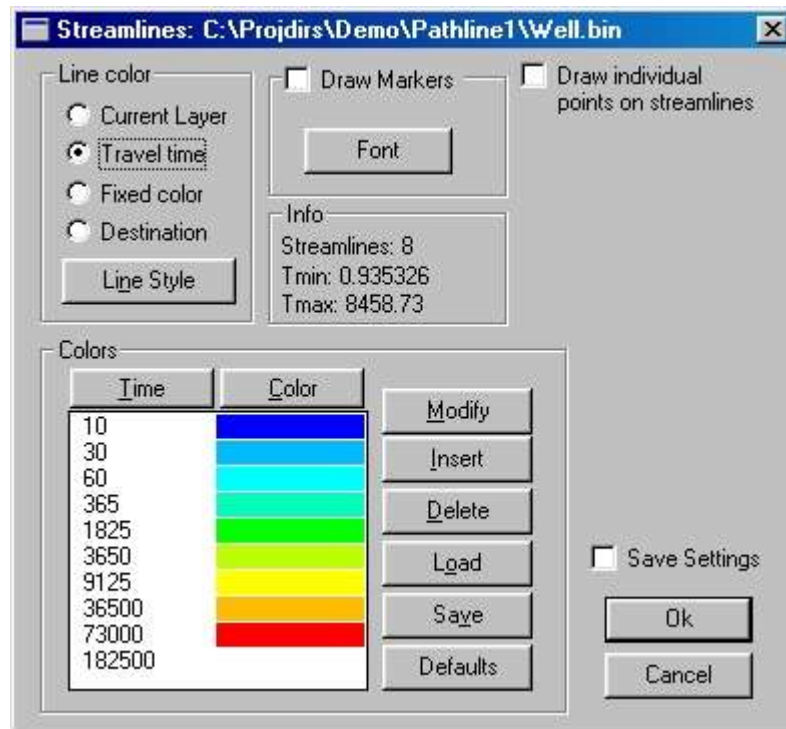


Next step is to generate the input file by 'Pathlines ',' Generate Input'. Which will generate the necessary files. To start the calculation 'Pathlines ',' Run predefined', ' Start tracing from wells'.

The result can be viewed by 'Pathlines ',' View ',' Wells ',' Streamlines'. De result may look something like this.



The appearance of the pathlines may be altered to your liking by 'View ',' Properties'. Select streamlines: ... 'well.bin ',' Config'. Here you can select to classify in several ways. In the presentation above the colours represent the different model layers. Instead one may choose for traveltime, fixed colour (no classification) and destination (which is used often for influence area calculations).



3.8.3 Calculate pathlines from user defined starting points

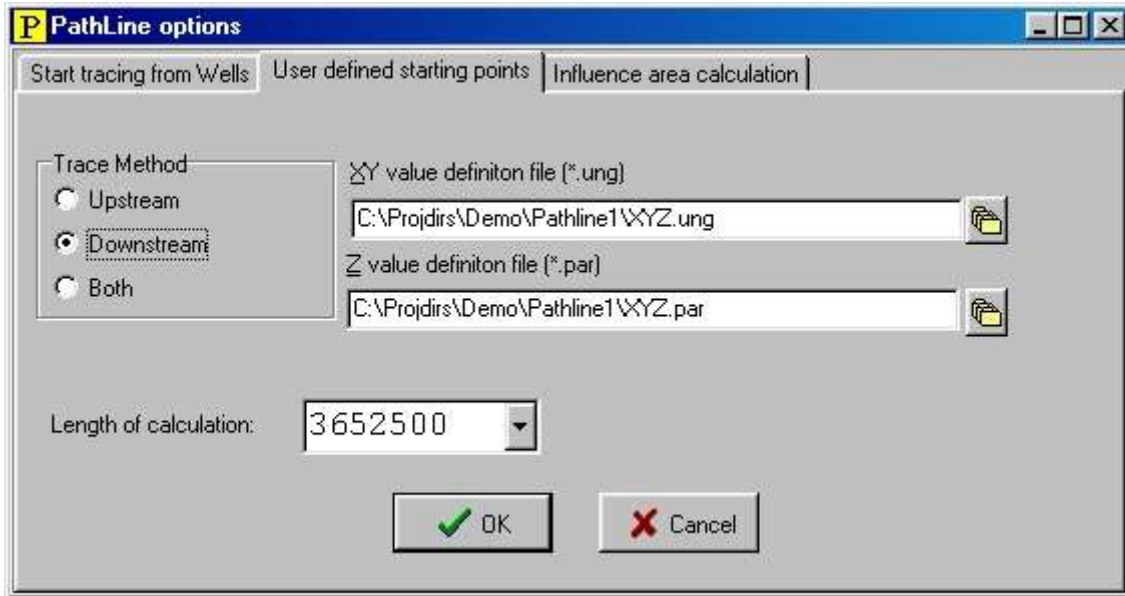
First add a parameter under the 'Modified' tab. Give it the name XYZ (Only enter the name and a description leave the rest as it is, since we are only going to use the ung and par file). Open DigEdit and add points at the location you want pathlines to start from. As a value enter the depth from which the pathline has to start. Remember always to choose a depth within one of the aquifers. For instance:

```
X-coor Y-coor depth
149042 409829 -40
148885 409717 -5
148134 409212 -40
```

Open the options menu through 'Pathlines ',' Options'. Select the tab for ' User defined starting points'. For the XY value definition file enter (browse) and select the file XYZ.ung in the Pathline data set (otherwise copy a prepared file from topo.gcg). For the Z value definition do the same for the XYZ.par. Copy the remaining options from the input screen shown below.

Next step is 'Pathlines ',' Generate Input'. Which will generate the necessary files. To start the calculation 'Pathlines ',' Run predefined ',' User defined starting points'.

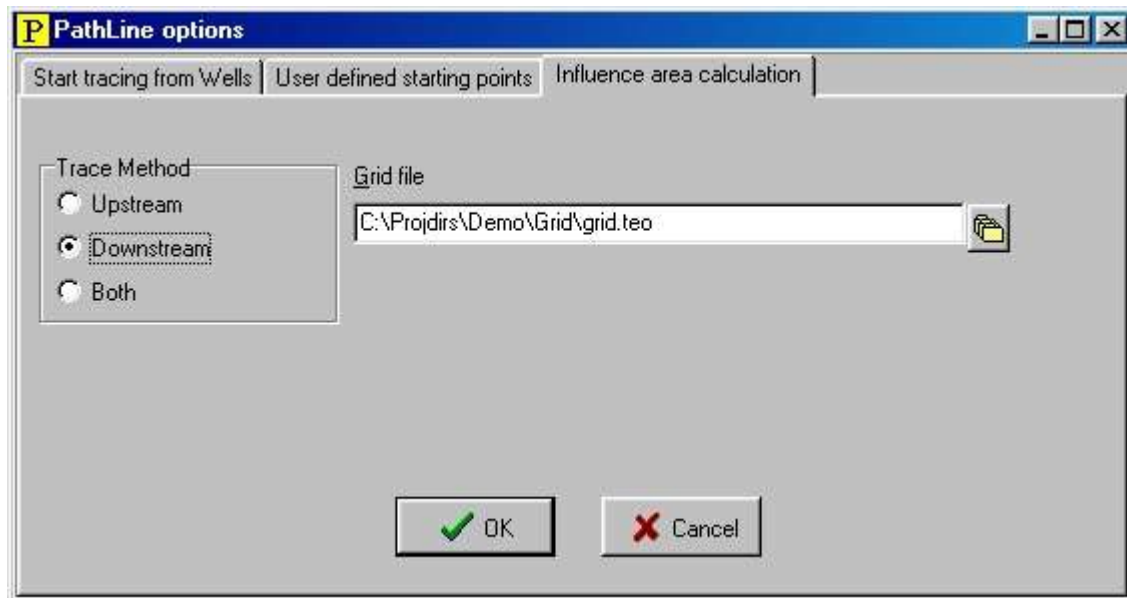
The result can be viewed by 'Pathlines ',' View ',' User defined ',' Streamlines'.



3.8.4 An influence area calculation

An influence area calculation gives the area from which a well (in fact all wells), rivers (if draining) receive their water from. For this calculation from every grid node from the surface level the pathway of the water is traced downward to the well(s), rivers, seepage area or modelboundary. In other words until this water leaves the model.

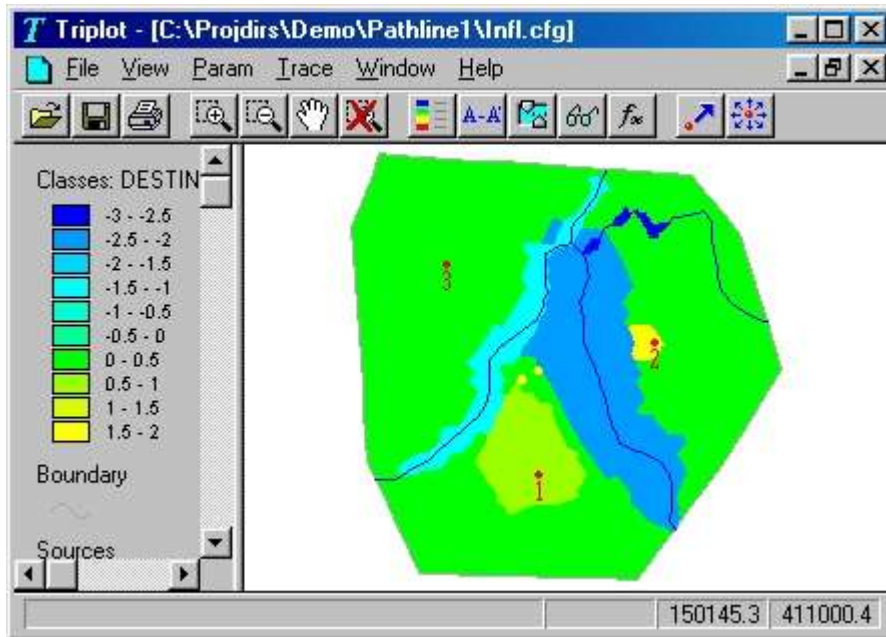
Open the options menu through 'Pathlines ',' Options'. Select the tab for 'Influence area calculation'. To calculate influence areas ('Influence area calculation') a grid-file has to be defined (usually the model network grid.teo in the grid directory) and the type of calculation (upstream/downstream/both) in this case select downstream. The calculation starts by definition at the top of the system (defined through the parameter TT).



Next step is 'Pathlines ',' Generate Input'. Which will generate the necessary files. To start the calculation 'Pathlines ',' Run predefined ',' Influence area calculation'.

The result can be viewed by 'Pathlines ',' View ',' Influence area ',' Streamlines and MAPS'. This will load the maps as well as all streamlines. Since we only want to view the influence area move the streamlines to the right (invisible) in the properties window. Then load the file with the influence areas by 'Parameter ',' Load' then

browse (change the file type to *.tro) for infl.tro. Then select DESTINATION from the list. Then 'Parameter ',' Classify ',' DESTINATION'. The result may look something like this. You may also classify according to aquifer or time.



The green colour (DESTINATION=0.5) shows infiltrations areas from which the water leaves the model at the model boundary. The blue colour (DESTINATION=negative number of the river number) shows the influence areas of the rivers. In yellow (well 2) and yellow/green (well1) the influence areas of the abstraction wells. No influence area is calculated for well three since it is an injection well.

The destination code in the influence area output file (*infl.tro*) defines the character of the location of the end point of the flow line. A negative integer indicates that the flow line ends in a river, with the absolute value of the number being the river number or river ID assigned to that river. A positive integer indicates that the flow line ends in a well, with the number being the source number or source ID assigned to that well. Other destinations are indicated by a destination code with values between -1 and +1.

The next table summarizes the destination codes generated by the particle-tracking program *Trace*:

Destination code	Description of destination
≤ -1	negative integer: number of river reached (c.f. <i>grid.teo</i>)
-0.5	flow line leaving the system vertically (top-system reached)
-0.4	flow line immediately leaving the system vertically: upstream tracing in area with downward seepage (infiltration)
-0.3	flow line immediately leaving the system vertically: downstream tracing in area with upward seepage (e.g. a polder)
0.1 - 0.3	stagnant points reached
0.5	flow line leaving the system horizontally (crossing the model boundary)
0.7	maximum tracing time reached (time specified in the input file)
≥ 1	positive integer: number of source reached (c.f. <i>grid.teo</i>)

3.8.5 Interactive pathline calculation in TriPlot

Through 'Path lines ',' Interactive calculation' the presentation module Triplot is activated in which you can interactively calculate pathlines. All the previous calculations can be carried out and, depending on the type of calculation, more options are available.

To practise on pathlines execute exercises 3 and 4 of [annex 6](#).

NB

- Through 'Path lines ', 'Generate input' the input files for the (4) different types of calculations are generated:

- **Well.tri** for pathlines starting from wells,
- **Trace.tri** for 'user defined' starting points,
- **Infl.tri** for calculations of influence areas and
- **Inter.tri** for interactive pathline calculations in Triplot.

- Through 'Path lines ', 'Run predefined' the defined pathline calculations (Well.tri, Trace.tri, Infl.tri) can be executed. With 'Pathlines ', 'View' the results are shown.

- After finishing the pathline calculations the following result files are produced:

- **.tro** file, containing output of a trace calculation
- **.bin** file, containing streamlines of a trace calculation
- **.lst** file, containing the end points of a streamlines
- **.log** file, containing the description of the calculation process and for every streamline the travelled time and travelled distance is given.

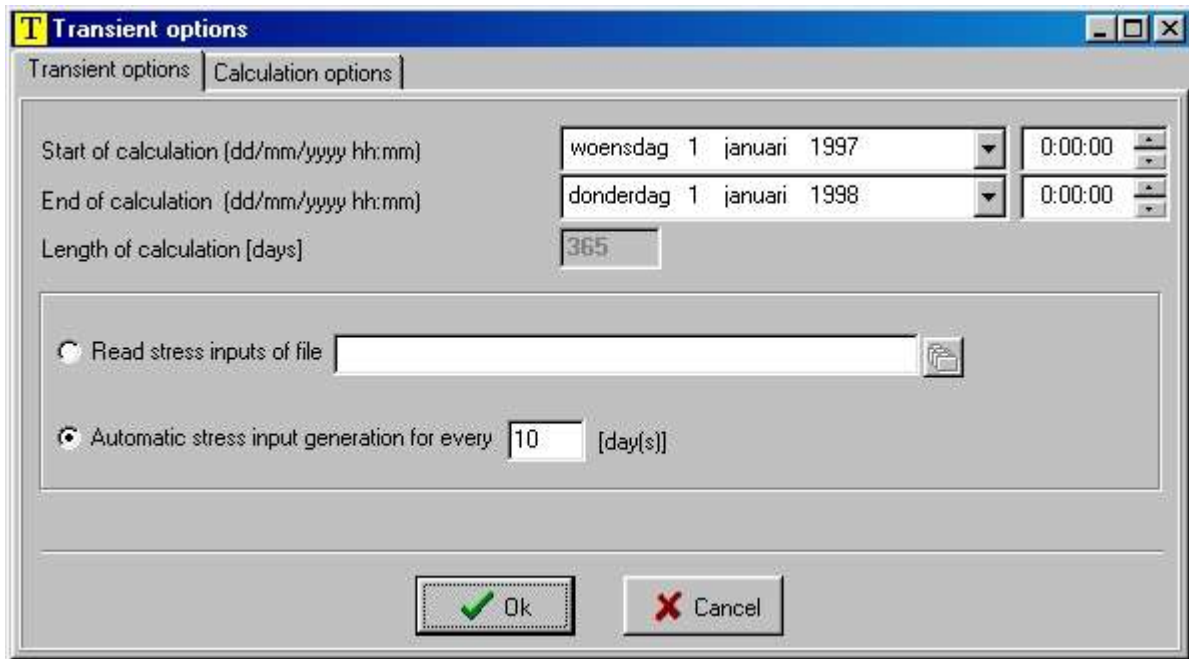
Within Triplot select the option 'Trace','Streamline','Properties' to view the results for every individual streamline.

3.9 Setting up a Transient data set

3.9.1 Opening a Transient data set

For a transient simulation create a data set of the 'Transient' just like any other data set you have added until now. In 'Based on' select the reference data set. This can be a Calibration set or a Scenario set. In this case we will base it on the calibration data set 'Calib1'.

Next, transient options can be stated. Open the options menu by 'Transient ',' Options'. The following window will appear.



The tab '**Transient options**' concerns the definition of the calculation period. A start and an end-date can be given as well as a stress input period. The stress input file consists of moments in time at which the system is evaluated. These points need not to be equidistant in time.

Enter the start and end of calculation as given in the figure above. Select the Automatic stress input and enter a timestep size of 10 days. (It is recommended to define integer values for the timesteps. This is because for example the fluzo module does not handle real value timesteps well, yet.)

The tab '**Calculation options**' concerns iteration options for the flairs-calculations and print options. For every aquifer, including the top system, the user has to indicate which parameters he wants to be saved on every time step. This is done under the pull-down menu 'print option'. You can specify if you want the head in the aquifer, the flux over the top and bottom of the aquifer, and the two-way fluxes to rivers and sources.

At the 'Points for time lines' the user can indicate for which locations the change in groundwater head will be followed during the transient calculation. This will result in an ASCII-file, which can easily be imported into Excel for example. This way you can create graphs of groundwater head against time. The use of this option is explained in paragraph 3.9.4 [Definition of a time series output file](#).

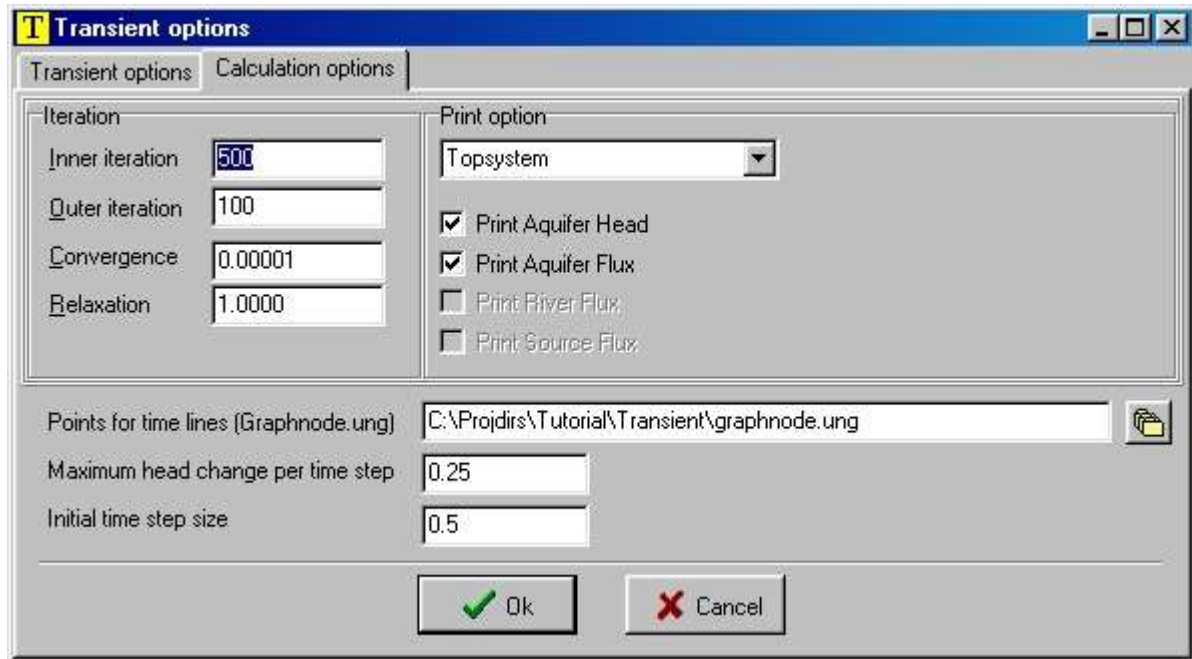
The basic parameters of the reference set are given in the list with 'Inherited parameters'. Parameters especially needed for transient calculations (which are not yet defined) are in the list with 'Modified parameters'. It concerns the elastic storage coefficients of the aquifers as well as the effective porosity of the top aquifer. These parameters can be defined and allocated in the same manner as before. Enter a value of 0.001 for the SC1 and SC2 (elastic storage coefficient) and a value of 0.3 for PE (porosity of the phreatic aquifer 1).

A transient calculation is executed because one or more parameters will change during a defined period of time. The parameters are defined in the same way as in the former data sets. Parameters that will change during the defined calculation period have to be moved to the tab 'Modified parameters'.

A time-dependent parameter can be allocated in two different ways:

- **User defined stress input**
- **Time series allocation**

A **user defined stress input** is used when a parameter is changed only a few times during the simulated period. For example controlled water level or stopping the abstraction from a well. **Time series allocation** is used for parameters that change with (almost) every timestep. For example waterlevels in a river or precipitation excess. In the following sections we will define both.



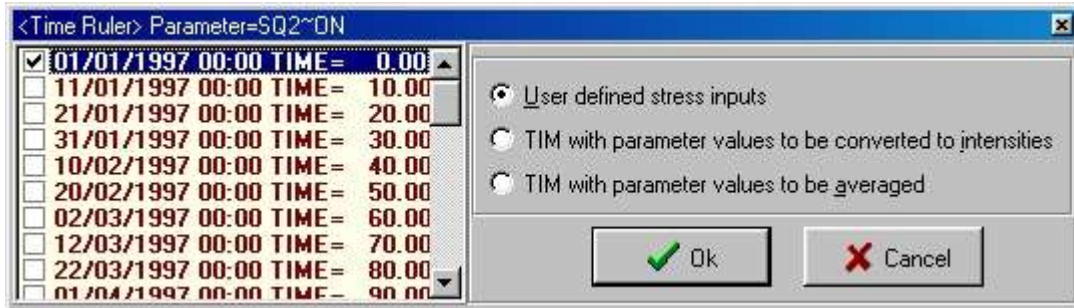
3.9.2 Defining user defined stress input (abstraction well)

In this case we will shut down the abstraction well number 1. This is in fact the same calculation as in the formerly described scenario. This time however we will look at the change in water level through time.

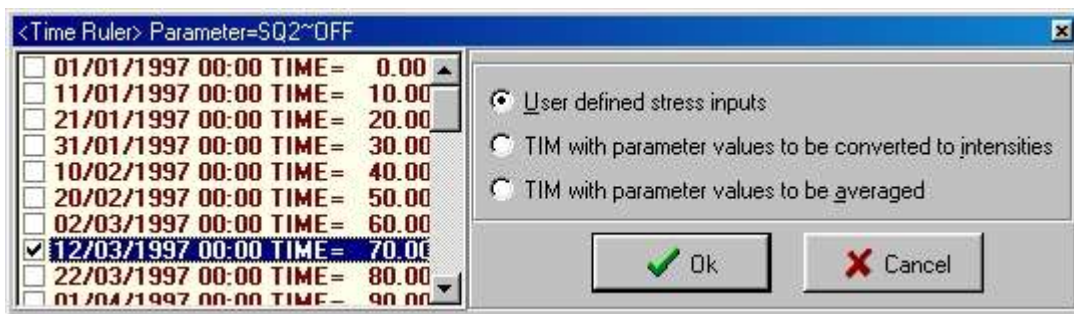
By defining the input on the user defined stress input periods (**Transient**, **Options**, see above), a parameter can be switched on and off. In this way the abstraction rate before and after shutting down the well can be defined. This can be done by the use of a tilde (~) within a parameter name. **Triwaco** will not read the information, which is behind this tilde, but it will enable you to maintain different values for different periods of time.

Define two different abstraction rates by adding two new parameters: SQ2~ON and SQ2~OFF. In this case SQ2~ON is identical to SQ2 used in the steady state calculation. SQ2~OFF contains an abstraction rate of 0 for well number 1 since it will be shut down. By indicating the valid stress period for both parameters, Flairs will read SQ2~ON for the internal parameter SQ2 for the situation whereby the well is still in use and SQ2~OFF will be read for SQ2 when the well is not active. The two files can also be found in the topo.geg directory. Copy them to the transient directory and reopen TriShell.

Next select SQ2~ON and open the **'Time Ruler'** from the context window of by **'Parameter'**, **'Time Ruler'**. Select user defined stress inputs. Then mark the timesteps for which the SQ2~ON will be active. You only have to mark the first timestep from a period in which the parameter is active. SQ2~ON is active until it is deactivated by the activation of SQ2~OFF. So only select 01/01/1997 as shown in the picture below.



Now select SQ2~OFF and again open the 'Time Ruler'. Select user defined stress inputs. Then mark the timestep for which the SQ2~OFF will become active (that is when the abstraction is stopped). In this case on the 12th of March 1997. So put a mark on this date. From this time on the SQ2~ON is deactivated and Triwaco will use SQ2~OFF as the parameter SQ2.



Next allocate both parameters. Before that check the info is correct: Parameter type=source and allocator=SrcParAdo. Before we start the simulation we will first define the precipitation excess.

NB

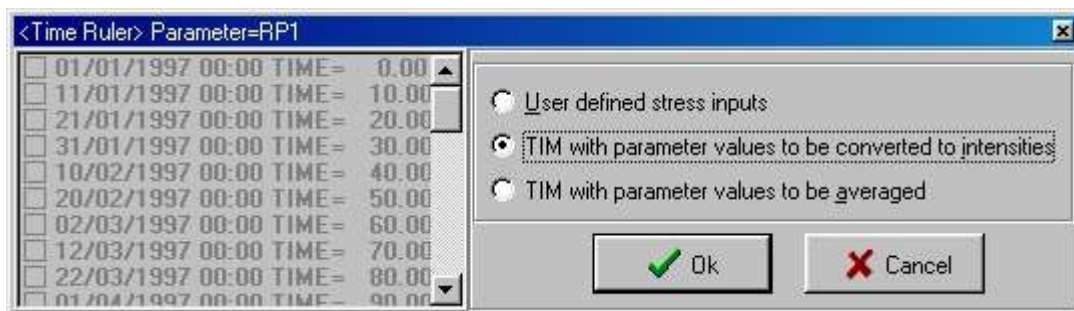
The SQ2 in the inherited tab will be ignored during the simulation since SQ2~ON and SQ2~OFF are defined in the modified tab.

3.9.3 Defining input by time series allocation (precipitation excess)

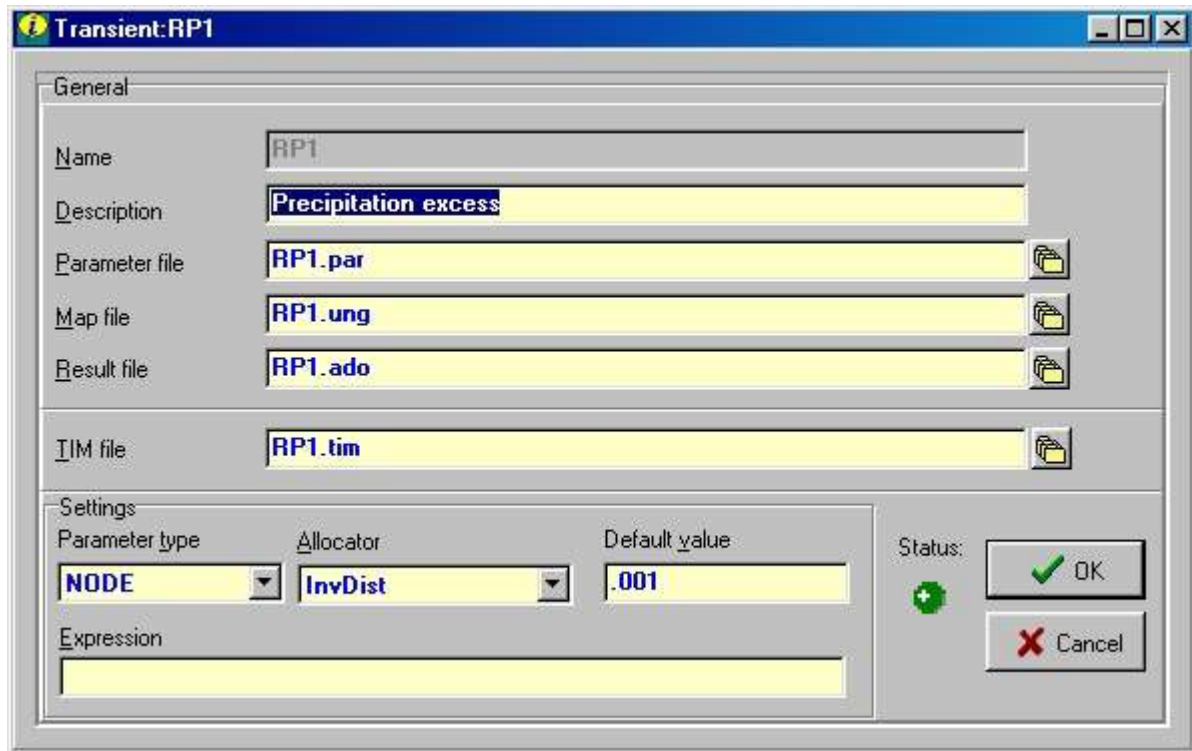
By defining that the input is based on time series allocation, a measured time series is used (i.e. precipitation excess). This time series has to be placed in a specified .tim file. An example of a .tim file is given in [annex 5](#) and is included in the topo.geg directory.

The timesteps in the .tim file make up the stress periods. The standard way is that the parameter on each timestep within a stress period is assigned the value specified in the .tim file. It is imported to note that dates and times defined in the .tim file not necessarily have to correspond to time steps defined in the transient simulation.

You can choose to either convert the values of the time series to intensities or to values to be converted to averages. In this case we will use precipitation excess RP1 by converting time series to intensities. First move the RP1 from the inherited tab to the modified tab as shown before. The 'Time Ruler' will appear. Select 'TIM with parameter values to be converted to intensities', as shown in the picture below.



Then copy the RP1.par, RP1.ung and RP1.tim from the topo.geg directory to the transient dataset directory. In the RP1.ung and RP1.par the location of the weather-station is defined. In the file RP1.tim you will find time series relating amounts of precipitation excess to moments in time. Next open the Info window from the context menu or '**Parameter**', '**Info**'. In addition to the standard specifications you can now also define the .tim- file. Select the tim-file you just copied. To view the location of the weather-station simply open the file in DigEdit. To view the input in text format of the tim-file '**Parameter**', '**Edit TIM file**'. Finally allocate RP1 using allocator InvDist!. This may take some time.



Triwaco now calculates the intensity of precipitation excess per period of time that you have specified before.

NB

Another possibility is to convert to averages. In that case the time dependent values are averaged and appointed to each time step. If you have the following .tim-file

Date	Time	Value	parameter
01/01/2002	00:00	5	
11/01/2002	00:00	10	

Then for calculation time $t=2$ days, corresponding with the date 03/01/2002, the value of the parameter is 6.

Important to remember is that conversion to intensities is used for parameters like precipitation excess (units X (meters) per time). Conversion to averages is used for paramters like waterlevel (units X(meters)).

3.9.4 Defining a time series output file

Time series of simulated groundwater heads for user defined locations, defined by its coordinates, may be obtained by defining a so-called graphnode input file. The resulting graphnode output file is a comma delimited file and can be imported in a standard spreadsheet program to generate time graphs of groundwater heads. For all locations after each successive iteration step calculated results are written to the output file.

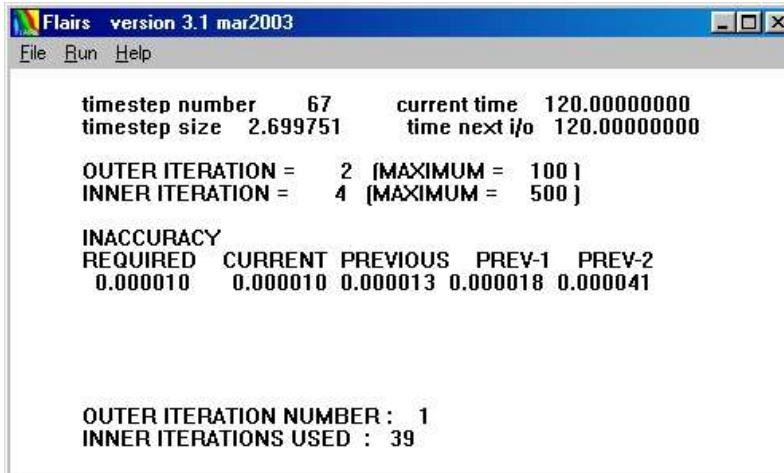
The graphnode input file is defined in the **Transient options window** under the **Calculation options** tab-sheet. The graphnode input file is defined as a standard **Triwaco** map file, i.e. ungenerated graphnode.ung file, by which user defined points are defined. In this case the locations are used from the calibration file

([Comparing simulation results with measurements](#), paragraph 3.5.6). The file graphnode.ung is present in the directory topo.geg. Just copy this file into the Transient directory and define the graphnode.ung in the **Transient options window**.

During the transient simulation **Triwaco** writes the calculated heads to a file called graphnode.out. The processing of the point for time lines is explained in paragraph [Viewing results](#) (3.9.6).

3.9.5 Running the Transient simulation

Running a Transient simulation is carried out in the same manner as for running a simulation for a steady-state calculation carried in the Calibration and Scenario data set. However the initial groundwater head needs to be defined first. In most cases the initial groundwater head is defined as calculated in the steady-state situation. The initial groundwater head is defined in the modified tab as HT for the groundwaterlevel in the topsystem, HH1 as the groundwater head in aquifer 1, HH2 in aquifer 2, etc. Each can be defined through an expression. For example HT will be : Calib1\$PHIT, for HH1 it is : Calib1\$PHI1, etc.



```

Flairs version 3.1 mar2003
File Run Help

timestep number    67      current time 120.00000000
timestep size    2.699751    time next i/o 120.00000000

OUTER ITERATION = 2 (MAXIMUM = 100 )
INNER ITERATION = 4 (MAXIMUM = 500 )

INACCURACY
REQUIRED CURRENT PREVIOUS PREV-1 PREV-2
0.000010 0.000010 0.000013 0.000018 0.000041

OUTER ITERATION NUMBER : 1
INNER ITERATIONS USED : 39


```

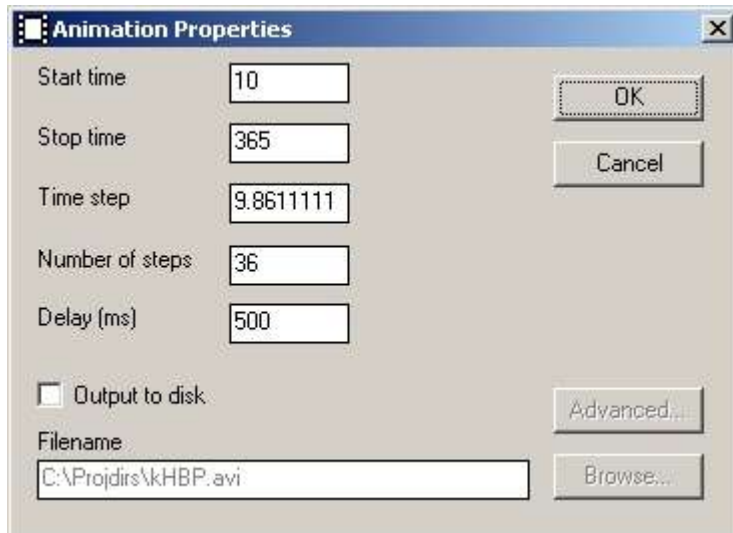
Next '**Transient**',' **Generate input**'. Then '**Transient**',' **Run simulation**'. Be aware that a transient simulation takes some time. Flairs will show a window which shows the progress of the simulation.

3.9.6 Viewing results

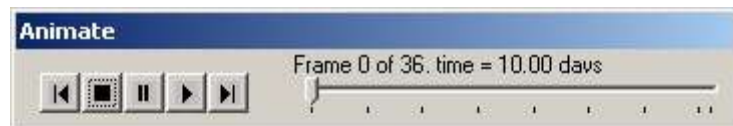
Viewing the results works the same way as it did in the other calculation data sets. With the difference that the flairs output file contains information for every stress period. The results may be contoured or classified for any individual stress period. Results may also be presented using timeseries and animation.

Creating an animation

An animation can be created provided that a transient parameters or transient simulation results are loaded. To create an animation first create a [contour](#) or [classified](#) map of the parameter used in the animation. Then select '**Time**',' **Animate**' from the menu bar (or simply ). The following dialog box will appear.



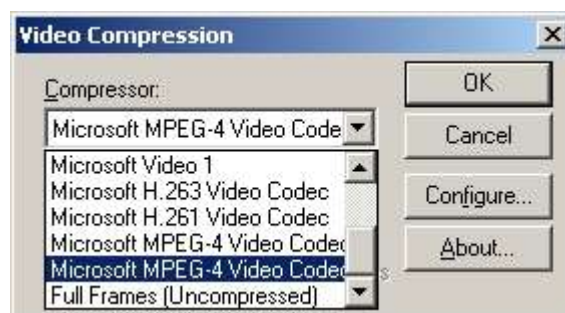
Specify the start time, stop time, time step or number of steps. Delay is used to set the delay time for the frames. Close the dialog box by OK. To start the animation push the play button in the following box. One may also use the time bar to show individual frames.



To create a title and to insert dates in each frame first define the start time by 'Time', 'Starting date'. One is prompted to define date and starting time. Next step is to open the properties window which can be accessed selecting 'Properties' from the 'View' pull-down menu, or right-mouse-button. Select **Title**. The following dialog box will appear. Check 'Show title'. By adding title to the view the date progress is also added to the view. The title will appear at the bottom left and the time progress at the bottom right (often behind the frame dialog box).



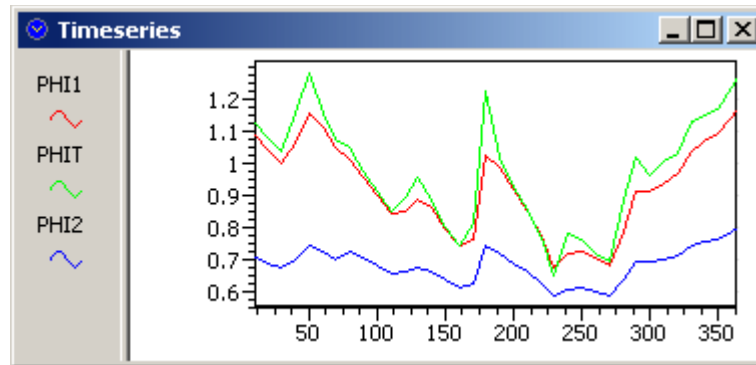
An animation may also be saved to disk by selecting output to disk. Various file compression formats are available.



Creating time series

A time series graph can be created provided that a transient parameters or transient simulation results are loaded. To create a time series graph 'Time', 'Time series' from the menu bar. Select parameters for time series. The time series for each selected parameter is loaded from the transient file. Then point and select the location to create the time series graph. To create another graph for another location simply point and select that location. The current time series graph will be refreshed.

Note that, more than one time series graphs can be opened with different parameters.



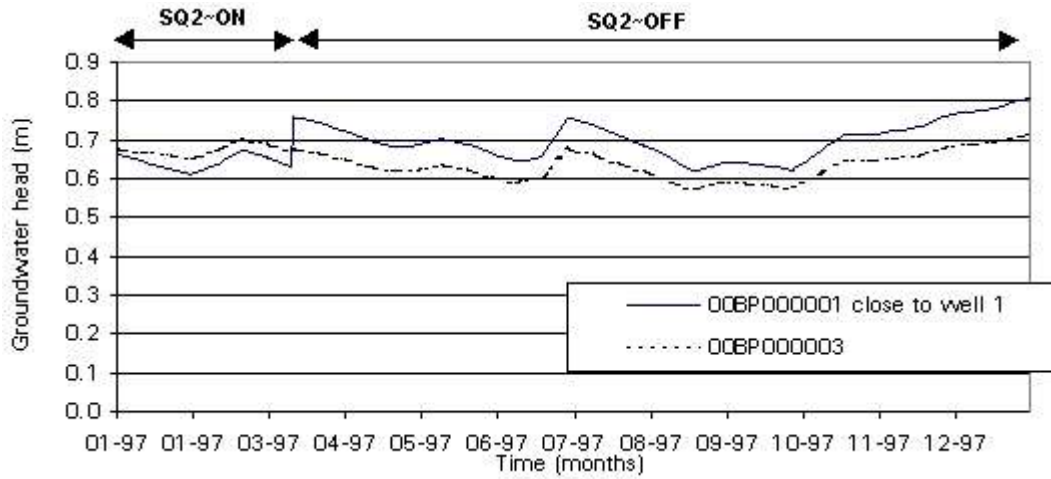
Often however you also want to compare the results for interpretation purposes or processing. In paragraph 3.9.4 it is explained how to define a time series output file. If so then a the resulting output file graphnode.out is present in the Transient directory.

The output file contains a short descriptive heading of four records, the title for each output parameter and a series of records with the values for the output parameters. The results are comma separated and can be loaded into a spreadsheet (for instance Excel). The first column gives the time since the start of the simulation the following columns the calculated groundwater heads for each location and every aquifer. The example shown below gives the output for one user defined location for a model with one aquifer (A01). The values for the (phreatic) head in the top-system is found in the column for A00.

```
Output of Flairs version 3.1 may2003

"Time series output program FLAIRS"
"each column has heading of form <nnnnnnAaa>"
"<nnnnnn> = node number; <aa> the aquifer number"
"e.g. 012345A13 -> head aquifer 13 in node 012345"
"TIME", "000000A00", "000000A01", "000000A00", "000000A01",
0.0000E+00, 0.0000E+00, 1.0000E+02, 0.0000E+00, 1.0000E+02,
5.0000E-01, 5.2291E+02, 8.8482E-02, 5.2291E+02, 3.5314E-01,
1.5000E+00, 5.2291E+02, 8.8482E-02, 5.2291E+02, 3.5314E-01,
3.5000E+00, 5.2291E+02, 8.8482E-02, 5.2291E+02, 3.5314E-01,
...
```

Below groundwater head through time is plot for two observation wells. Well number 1 is close to abstraction well 1 and well 3 is some distance away. Take a few minutes to interpret these results.



NB

If you have difficulties in making these graphs, an Excel file with the name transient_result.xls is present in the topo.geg directory. It also shows the results from the program mikado. This program can be used to extract time series from the result file flairs.flo. A batch file is provided in the topo.geg directory.

Note that viewing observations together with time series of calculated results will be available soon.

Annex 1 Lay out file defining the boundary

If the exact coordinates (defined by x and y coordinates) of a model-boundary are known, the boundary can be defined manually in a text-file, without using Digedit. Make an ASCII-file : BND.UNG and enter the points of the boundary as follows:

```
1
147041.16  411094.36
149411.12  410933.42
149786.65  410466.37
150086.44   409466
149669.89  408771.74
149004.03  407869.2
147340.96  407910.23
146949.65  408746.5
146832.89  410532.64
147041.16  411094.36
END
END
```

NB

- The coordinates of the beginpoint and the endpoint must be the same to close a polygon.

Annex 2 Lay out files defining the sources

If you have the geographical co-ordinates of the sources already beforehand, you can create the source data files with an editor. You need to make 3 files in ASCII format:

Name	contains	store in directory
Src.ung	position (co-ordinates)	Grid
SQ <i>n</i> .par	abstraction rates	initial data set
SQ <i>n</i> .nam (optional)	names	initial data set

Lay out SQ*n*.ung (number and co-ordinates):

```
1 148256.92 408657.1
2 149131.7 409651.85
3 147557.1 410246.7
```

Lay out SQ*n*.nam (number and names):

```
1 brewery
2 pumping station
3 swimming pool
```

Lay out SQ1.par (number and abstraction rate):

```
1 -500
2 0
3 0
```

Lay out SQ2.par (number and abstraction rate):

```
1 -2000
2 -200
3 400
```

Annex 3a Application of the parameter allocators

Type of data	Use Allocator
Parameters covering the whole model ('node values')	
- Input as a constant value	Constant
- Input by polygons	Arpadi, Kriging
- Input by point values	InvDist, Arpadi, Kriging, etc.
- Input by (a large amount of) point values	TinInterpol, Kriging
Parameters for linear surface water (type 'river')	
- Input as a constant value	Constant
- Input by linked points	ParRiv
- Input by polygons	Arpadi
Parameters for sources (type 'source')	
- Input as a constant value	Constant
- Input by point values	SrcParado
- Input by polygons	Arpadi
Parameters for boundary conditions (type 'boundary')	
- Input as a constant value	Const
- Input by linked points	ParBou
- Input by polygons	Arpadi
Input based on one or more other parameters	Expression

Application of expressions

The Expression allocator evaluates an expression and calculates (creates) a new **Adore**-block. An expression may contain set-names, numbers, functions, factors and operators. Three types of operators may be distinguished: mathematical operators, relational operators and logical operators.

Definition	Description
Set-names	Parameter names as defined in Triwaco , consisting of a combination of alphanumeric characters. The parameter may be preceded by the name of one of the project's data sets and a \$-sign: e.g., cal\$TX1
Numbers	integer and real numbers: e.g., 15, -0.456
Factors	Consist of numbers, expressions, functions or identifiers.
Mathematical operators	+, -, * and /
Relational operators	>, ≥ (>=), = (==), ≤ (<=) and <
Logical operators	'AND' ('&&'), 'OR' (' ') and 'NOT' ('=!') and 'IF' 'THEN' ('?') and 'ELSE' ('!:')

Functions	(simple) mathematical functions:	
	abs(x)	Returns the absolute value of 'x'
	atan(y,x)	Returns the arc tangent of (y/x)
	BND(x)	Returns the value of 'x' at boundary nodes
	cos(x)	Returns the cosine of 'x'
	deg(x)	Converts radians ('x') to degrees
	exp(x)	Returns the value of e raised to the power 'x'
	IF(x,y,z)	Evaluates the logical expression: IF ('x') THEN ('y') ELSE ('z') Equivalent to the expression: ('x')?('y'):('z')
	ln(x)	Returns the natural logarithm of 'x'
	log(x)	Returns the 10 log of 'x'
	max(x,y)	Returns the largest value of 'x' and 'y'
	min(x,y)	Returns the smallest value of 'x' and 'y'
	NODE(x)	Returns the value of 'x' at all Nodes; if the value of 'x' does not exist at a Node a zero value (0) is assumed
	rad(x)	Converts degrees ('x') to radians
	RIV(x)	Returns the value of 'x' at river nodes
	sign(x)	Returns the sign of 'x' (-1, 0 or +1)
	sin(x)	Returns the sine of 'x'
	sqr(x)	Returns the square of 'x'
	sqrt(x)	Returns the square root of 'x'
	SRC(x)	Returns the value of 'x' at source nodes
tan(x)	Returns the tangent of 'x'	

Important note: The setname or data set name should NOT contain an underscore (data_set\$set_name).

Examples of expressions

In the following table examples of the more or less frequently used expressions are listed.

PHIT	adore block with values equal to those of the set with the matching set name: 'PHIT'
Result\$PHI1	adore block with values equal to those of set 'PHI1' belonging to the data set with the name: 'result'
12	adore block with the constant value 12
PHI1-PHIT	adore block with values equal to (PHI1 - PHIT), being the difference of the adore blocks with set names 'PHI1' and 'PHIT' respectively
QRCH>0	Boolean adore block containing integer values: equal to 1 where QRCH > 0 and equal to 0 where QRCH <= 0
(PHI1-PHIT) * (QRCH>0 && QKW1>0)	Real adore block containing values equal to 0 where QRCH <= 0 or QKW1 <= 0 and to (PHI1-PHIT) where both QRCH > 0 and QKW1 > 0
(RL1>TH1)?RL1:(TH1 + 0.01)	Real adore block containing values equal to RL1 where RL1 > TH1 and to (TH1+0.01) where RL1 <= TH1
IF(RL1>TH1,RL1,TH1+0.01)	Real adore block containing values equal to RL1 where RL1 > TH1 and to (TH1+0.01) where RL1 <= TH1
sqrt(log(cos(TX1*TH1)+1))	adore block that contains values equal to the results after evaluating the expression: $\sqrt{\log(\cos(TX1 * TH1) + 1)}$
QRI1/AREA	Specific river flux in m/d (river flux divided by node influence area)
MIN(PHIT,RP13)	Minimum value of PHIT and RP13: cut off PHIT at surface level
PHIT > RP13 ? RP13 : PHIT	Same as above
IF(PHIT>RP13, RP13, PHIT)	Same as above

Note:

Using Boolean expressions the result set will contain integer values if the expression starts with the Boolean expression and will contain real values if the Boolean expression is preceded with a (real) value or another expression.

Thus: (PHI1-PHIT) * (QRCH>0 && QKW1>0) results in a real Adore set and (QRCH>0 && QKW1>0) * (PHI1-PHIT) results in an integer Adore set.

Annex 3b Proposed default parameter values for demo-model

IR	Type of top system	11
RP1	Precipitation excess	0.001 m/day (See description in text)
RP2	Resistance semi-pervious layer	20 days
RP3	Drainage resistance	250 days
RP4	Infiltration resistance	900 days
RP5	Drainage level	See description in text
RL1	Top aquifer 1	(see MV25.ung en MV25.par)
TH1	Base aquifer 1	-10.0 m
PX1	Permeability aquifer 1	25 m/day
TX2	Transmissivity aquifer 2	3500 m ² /day
CL1	Resistance aquitard 1	250 day
IB1, IB2, etc.	Type of Boundary condition	0 (fixed head)
BH1, BH2, etc.	Boundary Head	0.50 m
BA1, BA2, etc.	Boundary condition for flux	0 (only when IB1=1)
BB1, BB2, etc.	Boundary condition for flux	0 (only when IB1=1)
IS1, IS2, etc.	Type of Abstraction	0 (fixed discharge)
SQ1, SQ2, etc.	Discharge amount	(see text, - values means abstraction)
SH1, SH2, etc.	Fixed head in discharge well	0 (only when IS1=1)
RA1	River activity	1 (all rivers active)
HR1	Water level	0 (define with linked points, see text)
RW1	River width	15 m
CD1	Drainage resistance river	5 days
CI1	Infiltration resistance river	25 days

Annex 4 Lay out calibration file (measured heads)

The file with the measured heads (see par. 3.5.6) should have the following lay out:

```
[title]
[code well 1] [x-co-ordinate] [y-co-ordinate] [cluster no.] [no. aquifer] [measured head]
[code well 2] [x-co-ordinate] [y-co-ordinate] [cluster no.] [no. aquifer] [measured head]
[code well 3] [x-co-ordinate] [y-co-ordinate] [cluster no.] [no. aquifer] [measured head]
[code well 4] [x-co-ordinate] [y-co-ordinate] [cluster no.] [no. aquifer] [measured head]
... etc.
```

For phreatic heads you fill in a 0 for the number of the aquifer. With the cluster number one can assign certain wells to a specific group for statistical analyses.

The well data has to be entered in a **fixed format**:

```
[A10] [F10.*] [F10.*] [I5] [I5] [F10.*]
```

where [A10] a text with a maximum of 10 characters (incl. Spaces)
 [F10.*] a number with a decimal point, 10 characters long
 [I5] an integer number (without a point), 5 characters long

The name of the file with calibration values is by definition **calib.chi**

An Example (spaces are designated as '~'):

```
measurements 1995
~~52AP0014~142057.00~325995.00~~~~1~~~~1~~~~24.01
~~52AP0014~~~~142057.0~~325995.0~~~~1~~~~2~~~~24.52~~~
52AL0133~~~~145239.~~323963.~~~~1~~~~0~~~~25.11~
52~AP~1055~137224.0~321401.0~~~~1~~~~1~~~~23.980
```

Annex 5 Lay out time series files

Below an example of a RP1.tim file is given. In the first column the date is stated. In the second one the time. In the final column the parameter value is given for the period before the stated moment of time stated on that particular row.

```
1
31/12/1996 00:00 -0.001
10/01/1997 00:00 -0.00055
20/01/1997 00:00 -0.00285
31/01/1997 00:00 0.02875
10/02/1997 00:00 0.0439
20/02/1997 00:00 0.00365
28/02/1997 00:00 -0.0084
10/03/1997 00:00 -0.00095
20/03/1997 00:00 -0.0121
.
20/12/1997 00:00 0.03475
31/12/1997 00:00 0.0234
10/01/1998 00:00 0.05
END
END
```

Annex 6 Exercises**Exercise 1:**

- It is decided that pumping from well number 1 will have to stop in the future. What influence will that have on the groundwater level.
- Indicate in which area the influence will have more than 5 cm increase of the groundwater level.
- Make an estimation of the size of the influence area (m²). Are there any areas where the groundwater level will rise above the level of 70 cm below surface level?

Extra

- Can the water level increase be compensated by locally adjusting the controlled water-level?

Exercise 2:

- In the urban area the water level has to be lowered by 40cm. What effect will that have on the area surrounding it.
- Indicate in which area the influence will have more than 5 cm increase or decrease of the groundwater level.
- Make an estimation of the size of the influence area (m²).

Exercise 3:

- For drinking water production by the wells it is important to know the traveltime towards the wells. How long does it take for a water particle to travel from the surface level to reach well number 1.
- What is the minimum travel length (m) of a water particle which has a traveltime of 10 years

Exercise 4:

On a location (coordinates given below) there was once a gas-producing company. During years of operation pollution sank into the underground. At present pollutants are still seeping into the groundwater.

- Where does the polluted water travel to.
- If the abstraction of well number 1 stopped, what effect will that have for the pollution in the groundwater and where will it go.
- What is the minimum traveltime for each destination

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