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PREFACE

In May 1979 the Water Research Commission entered into a second five year contract with the University of Zululand. The Project had as one of its aims the testing of stormflow simulation models giving particular attention to the antecedent moisture component of these models. Studies presented in this interim report deal with research which was conducted essentially during the first three years of this Project. While the staff of the Hydrological Research Unit have been engaged in a variety of hydrological investigations, stormflow modelling has been the major research thrust during this initial period.

Research pertaining to two simple stormflow models is presented in two major sections. Each of these major sections is intended to be a separate entity although a general aim pertains to both investigations. This aim may be stated briefly as being to test these methods of calculating storm= flows under South African conditions and to improve or develop suitable antecedent moisture procedures for inclusion in the models. The research chapters of this report are preceded by a review of stormflow theories, the role of catchment moisture status in the production of stormflow and procedures for estimating antecedent moisture conditions.

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Chapter 1 INTRODUCTION

The estimation of stormflow volumes from small agricultural catchments is important for the design of structures such as farm dams and culverts. This information is also of value in fields such as forest management and planning. Generally, stormflow volumes are used to derive peak discharge rates and inaccuracies in the calculated volumes are transferred to the estimated peak values. According to Orgosky and Mockus (1964) stormflow peaks are controlled primarily by stormflow volumes.

The moisture status of a catchment prior to a stormflow event may have a marked effect on the proportion of storm rainfall which leaves the catchment as stormflow. In this Report the role of catchment moisture status in the production of stormflow is given primary attention. Two stormflow models are tested on selected catchments and their suitability for estimating stormflow volumes using data generally available for small catchments in South Africa is assessed. The first model tested, the SCS model, is a procedure which has gained international acceptance for the estimation of stormflow volumes. This model has been found, however, to be unsuitable for use in forested and wildland catchments in the eastern United States of America (Hewlett, 1980). An alternative model, The R-index method, was developed for use in this region and is the second model dealt with in this study.

Conceptually, the two selected models differ markedly and in attempting to develop suitable procedures to represent catchment moisture status different techniques and approaches have had to be adopted for each model. Although the two investigations are dealt with as separate entities, general conclusions pertaining to stormflow modelling and the estimation of antecedent moisture conditions are presented. Because the research has been conducted over a number of years the data, catchments and techniques were not identical for both studies.

Stormflow is synonymous with "quickflow" or "storm runoff".

Most of the catchments used in this investigation are located in Natal. Evaluation of the two models in terms of their suitability for simulating stormflow volumes may thus be regarded as a preliminary study having particular relevance to this province. The difficulty in obtaining satis= factory samples of stormflow and stormflow rainfall information for small catchments resulted in many of the analyses being conducted using only a few observations in some catchments. However, rather than exclude these catch= ments it was decided to include them for the analyses so that an indication of model performance under different environmental conditions could be obtained.

Throughout this investigation the research procedures adopted have been guided by a modelling philosophy which embraces the following:

- (a) Through computational and technological advances it is possible to develop more sophisticated models. However, complex models are no always better and simple models will often suffice. Both the SCS model and the R-index method were intended to be simple models requi= ring limited data inputs.
- (b) Equations and parameter estimation can be refined to improve estimates of observed stormflows but this does not necessarily result in improved estimates in other regions or outside of the limits of the data used for calibration.
- (c) All hydrological models make certain assumptions and according to James and Burgess (1982) these assumptions limit the issues which a model can address.

Finally, James and Burgess (1982) draw attention to the pitfalls of vertical as opposed to lateral thinking in attempts to build and refine models. These authors present their case using the following quote from De Bono (1967):

Logic is the tool that is used to dig holes deeper and bigger, to make them altogether better holes. But if the hole is in the wrong place, then no amount of improvement is going to put it in the right place. No matter how obvious this may seem to every digger, it is still easier to go on digging in the same place than to star all over again in a new place. Vertical thinking is digging the same hole deeper; lateral thinking is trying again elsewhere.

The research presented in this Report has been directed at improving aspects of the SCS and R-index models, efforts which could lead to digging the same hole deeper where a new hole may have been required. However, a conscious attempt has been made throughout the investigation to avoid this danger.

Chapter 2 STORMFLOW AND CATCHMENT MOISTURE STATUS

The production of stormflow from storm rainfall is a complex process and numerous theories have been proposed to describe this process. The varia= ble nature of catchment moisture status is a major determinant of the stormflow potential of a catchment. Data which are usually available to the engineer on ungauged catchments prohibit the use of complex procedures for determining catchment moisture status (CMS), indices generally being relied on to estimate this variable. It is the purpose of this chapter to review the major stormflow theories and the role attributed to CMS in the production of stormflow, to examine the variability of CMS in a catchment and further to discuss selected procedures for estimating this complex variable.

2.1 Stormflow Theories

In 1684 Edmé-Mariotte provided the first experimental proof that rainfall is responsible for river flow (Freeze, 1972a). It may be argued that almost 300 years later very little more is known about the rainfall-runoff process (Freeze, 1972a). It is only in recent years that hydrological research has "... begun to shift away from the total involvement in the needs of engineering hydrology toward the more academic goal of understanding the basic mechanisms of runoff generation. Possibly these same engi= neering needs, now in the form of a demand for improved hydrologic response models, are responsible for the recent revival of interest in the generic question" (Freeze, 1972b:1272).

Since the mid 1930's stormflow simulation models have been characterised by relationships based on infiltration theory and the allied principles of widespread overland flow - a concept first expounded by Horton in 1933. In recent years these traditional theories have been challenged seriously following field observations and experiments which failed to confirm the existence of overland flow as originally perceived. Numerous theories emphasising different components of the hydrological system have emanated

from these observations. However, no single theory has as yet found addeps tance as a basis for stormflow simulation models having widespread applica= bility. It is possible to classify stormflow theories into two broad categories, viz:

- (a) those based on the infiltration theory of runoff described by Horton in 1933, and
- (b) unit source area theories.

The various stormflow theories proposed to date have different implications with respect to CMS and stormflow models. In reviewing the more prominent stormflow theories it is intended to highlight these implications.

2.1.1 The Horton Stormflow Theory

The Horton theory of stormflow production assumes stormflow to be generated by rainfall excess, this being defined as water failing to infiltrate the soil surface (Horton, 1933). Thus, stormflow is envisaged as a really wide= spread overland flow and the theory infers that most rainfall events exceed the infiltration capacity of the soils (Freeze, 1972a).

Horton recognised a maximum and minimum infiltration rate, the maximum rate occurring at the start of a rainfall event and decreasing exponentially, gradually approaching a somewhat stable minimum rate. If the infiltration rate fell below the rainfall intensity, overland flow and subsequently stormflow would occur.

The complex process of infiltration is, according to Betson (1964), principally a function of soil moisture with the decay in infiltration rate resulting <u>inter alia</u> from changes in the surface soil moisture. Research conducted by Mulder and Hope (1981) on infiltration rates of the soils of the Ntuze catchment in Zululand have confirmed this observation. Thus, according to Horton's theory, high levels of antecedent soil moisture prior to rainfall results in an infiltration rate close to the minimum, facilitating the production of rainfall excess and overland flow.

The Horton theory asserts that rainfall excess is the sole source of stormflow and it may thus be concluded that this model is clearly most applicable in areas having a low capacity for infiltration where only a limited length of rainstorm is necessary to saturate the entire catchment surface and to initiate overland flow on all the slopes (Ward, 1975).

The traditional Hortonian theory of stormflow production has been criticised severely, particularly in the past two decades. This criticism has generally dealt with the contribution of sub-surface movement of water to the stormflow hydrograph. Hills (1971) has stated that soils in the United Kingdom are capable of absorbing and storing the majority of rainfalls and tests have revealed that less than 10 percent of rainfall events are capa= ble of producing overland flow. Hills concludes that "overland flow can be demonstrated on small plots over short distances, but one cannot conclude, especially in rural areas with no artificial drainage, that this becomes a contribution to streamflow" (Hills, 1971:178). A similar view pertaining to conditions in the U S A is held by Freeze (1972a) who states that the Hortonian concept is only acceptable in the semi-arid western U S A.

The persistent application of the Hortonian theory in stormflow models may be ascribed to the simplicity of this theory, particularly with respect to procedures for separating and interpreting the storm hydrograph (Ward, 1975). However, increasing attention is being directed at unit source area theories of stormflow despite their relative complexity.

2.1.2 Unit source area theories

Unit source area theories of stormflow may be defined as those stormflow theories embodying one or more of the following principles:

- (a) The production of stormflow in a catchment is non-uniform.
- (b) Stormflow is not synonymous with rainfall excess or surface flow but may be subsurface flow or a combination of subsurface flow and surface flow.
- (c) Certain areas of a catchment may seldom, if ever, contribute directly to the production of stormflow.

As early as 1935, Musgrave had concluded from field infiltration tests that surprisingly little rainfall failed to infiltrate the soil surface. In 1936 Hursh described subsurface stormflow and in 1943 Hoover and Hursh concluded from their studies of the stormflow process in the mountains of western North Carolina that subsurface stormflow may be found in the higher elevations of a catchment.

Since these early descriptions of subsurface flow, numerous researchers have claimed that this type of flow makes an important contribution to the storm hydrograph. The observations made by Hawkins in 1961 are typical. Following a study of 14 storm hydrographs in the Missouri Gulch Watershed of Colorado, Hawkins reported that there was no surface runoff and rainfall intensities were not greater than the infiltration capacity of the catch= ment soils. Following this observation, Hawkins concluded that there must have been subsurface stormflow as well as direct channel interception. Similar findings were described by Whipkey (1965) who reported subsurface stormflow during the actual storm period, this reaching the stream channel without entering the general groundwater zone.

Despite the large body of support for subsurface stormflow production, this concept has been questioned seriously by authors such as Betson (1964), Dunne and Black (1970a, 1970b) and Freeze (1972a, 1972b). The following questions posed by Freeze (1972a) regarding the relationship between subsurface flow and the storm hydrograph are typical of these misgivings, viz:

- (a) Is subsurface stormflow quantitatively important?
- (b) Is subsurface stormflow a controlling mechanism on the development of wetland areas?
- (c) Is subsurface stormflow unimportant in either context?

On the basis of the role ascribed to subsurface flow in the production of stormflow, unit source area theories may be categorised into:

- (a) variable source area theories, and
- (b) partial area theories.

It is in examining the fundamental components of these theories that the role of antecedent moisture conditions in the production of stormflow becomes apparent.

Variable source area theories are based on the principle of subsurface stormflow. The first formalised runoff theory embodying the variable source area concept was presented by Hewlett (1961). According to Hewlett and Hibbert "... when the subsurface flow of water from upslope exceeds the capacity of the soil profile to transmit it, the water will come to the surface and channel length will grow. This in essence is the variable source area concept" (Hewlett and Hibbert, p 279). Perennial channels expand into zones of low storage capacity, this process being facilitated by high antecedent moisture condition. Furthermore, it is postulated in this theory that the expanding channel network 'reaches out' to 'tap' the subsurface flow systems (Hewlett and Hibbert, 1967). It may thus be deduced that the amount of subsurface flow and hence water which may be tapped to become stormflow is largely a function of the antecedent moisture conditions. Furthermore, translatory flow (subsurface flow by displacement) is only important when high soil moisture conditions prevail (Ward, 1975). Tischendorf (1969) also refers to a 'critical' soil moisture value of the topsoil which increases the 'conductivity' of this horizon, thus permitting translatory flow. A variety of mechanisms are therefore described in the variable source area concept as contributing to stormflow volumes. However, as Ward (1975) states, the relative importance of these mechanisms depends on the rainfall characteristics and antecedent moisture conditions.

Partial area stormflow theories are based on the premise that fixed areas of the catchment are effective stormflow producing areas. Referring to these partial areas, Dunne and Black observed that "... the water table rose to the surface of the ground over small areas. When this occurred, water emerged from the soil surface and ran quickly to the channel as over= land flow" (Dunne and Black, 1970b:1208). Subsurface flow of water is not attributed to the prominent role as it is in variable source area theories. According to Freeze (1972a) the stormflow producing mechanism most fully supported by field evidence is that embodied in the partial area theory. It is stated by Betson (1964) that partial areas are often 'wetlands' whose location is controlled by the topographical and hydrological configuration of the catchment. These wetlands are commonly adjacent to the river chan= nels. Hope and Mulder (1979) describe the existence of such wetlands adjacent to the river channels of the Zululand research catchments.

Antecedent moisture conditions thus have a two-fold effect on stormflow volumes. First, the higher the CMS the lower the storage capacity of contributing areas, less rain therefore being required to bring the watertable to the surface in order to provide for the production of stormflow. Secondly, the sizes of the contributing areas may be governed by CMS since these areas are fed by soil moisture draining from areas of higher eleva= tion.

2.2 The Variability of Catchment Moisture Status

From the preceding review of stormflow theories and the relevance of CMS in the production of stormflow it has been established that the potential for stormflow production varies both temporally and spatially. The following review deals with the variability of CMS in these two dimensions. Since the major dynamic storage component of a catchment is the soil matrix, much of the following discussion relates to the variability of soil moisture.

Temporal changes in CMS are governed by the sequence of inputs (rainfall) and outputs (runoff, drainage and evapotranspiration) into and from the catchment. Soil moisture recharge is an irregular process depending prin= cipally upon the sequence of rainfall amounts (Nixon, Lawless and McCormick, 1972). Losses of soil moisture are affected mainly by evapo= transpiration with drainage playing a secondary role (Saxton, Johnson and Shaw, 1974). In regions of high rainfall which is evenly distributed throughout the years, variations in soil moisture follow the load of solar energy available for evapotranspiration, this energy being a function prin= cipally of season (Helvey and Hewlett, 1962).

The temporal variations of soil moisture at different depths in the soil horizon are controlled by different mechanisms. Tischendorf (1969) con= cluded that the deeper soil moisture changes were related to season rather

than to individual events, this having being confirmed by authors such as Henninger, Petersen and Engman (1976) and Hope and Schulze (1979). The depth to which daily fluctuations of evapotranspiration affect soil mois= ture is determined by the rooting patterns of the vegetation (Grindley, 1967; Jones, 1976).

Every phase of the hydrological cycle may give rise to spatial variations in CMS. It is, however, possible to identify the major components gover= ning this variability within the catchment system. On small catchments this is frequently achieved by assuming the rainfall distribution to be uniform. Research findings, particularly in the U S A, generally attribute spatial differences in CMS to variations in one or more of the following: soils, vegetation, slope and topographical position in the landscape (for example, Wild and Scholz, 1930; Platt, 1955; Kovner, 1955; Stoeckeler and Curtis, 1960; Whipkey, 1965; Tischendorf, 1969; Helvey, 1971).

Variations of texture and pore size distribution within a soil are considered by many researchers to be the major determinants of the moisture characteristics of a soil (for example, Carlson, Reinhart and Horton, 1956; Jones, 1976 and Rivers and Ship, 1978). Tischendorf (1969) and Henninger <u>et al</u> (1976) also consider texture and to a lesser extent organic matter to have an important effect on soil moisture. Since the properties of soils may vary considerably within a catchment, associated variations in soil moisture may be expected.

The distribution of CMS may be affected by variations in the interception, infiltration and evapotranspiration characteristics of various types of vegetation. Interception is particularly important in regions of low rain= fall intensity and/or events of short duration. However, interception is generally of less importance than the effect vegetation has on infiltration and evapotranspiration rates. Infiltration rates are commonly reported to be higher where the surface supports vegetation (for example, Vorster, 1959; Chow, 1964; Whipkey, 1965 and Rodda, Downing and Law, 1976).

Authors such as Cottle (1932), Homes and Robertson (1959), Stoeckeler and Curtis (1960), Jackson (1967) and Rouse and Wilson (1969) have illustrated the effect aspect has on soil moisture, drier slopes generally being those

which intercept more solar radiation. Topographic position is also a major determinant of soil moisture. Research conducted by Tischendorf (1969) in the south Appalachians revealed that at depths greater than 2,4 metre more than 50 percent of the variance in soil moisture could be 'explained' by the height above and distance to the nearest channel. Similar findings have been reported by Helvey (1971) and Henninger et al (1976).

In this section the factors affecting the temporal and spatial variations in CMS have been reviewed briefly on an intra-catchment basis. However, the regional variability of the above factors, along with geological and climatological differences are also responsible for inter-catchment varia= tions in CMS. Ideally, procedures for estimating CMS should therefore incorporate the major factors responsible for the variability of CMS and they should be adaptable to catchments of different environmental condi= tions.

2.3 The Estimation of Catchment Moisture Status

The preceding discussion has illustrated the large number of variables which may control CMS and the complex nature of CMS. However, in most catchments limited information is available for estimating CMS and the estimates are generally made using simple procedures or indices. These indices usually calculate a single value representative of an entire catche ment and are mainly concerned with monitoring the change in CMS through time. The major factors controlling this temporal variability are raine fall, evapotranspiration, drainage and the topographic redistribution of soil moisture (cf Section 2.2). Since the latter two variables are not easily measurable, most indices are based on measured antecedent rainfall and an estimate of the moisture losses over time.

Amongst the most widely used antecedent precipitation indices (API) for estimating CMS is that described by Linsley, Kohler and Paulhus (1949). The API is calculated on the basis of logarithmic recession during periods of no rainfall, thus:

$$I_t = I_0 K^t$$
 (2.1)

where

 I_0 = the initial moisture index, I_t = the index after t days have elapsed, and K = a recession constant, ranging between 0.85 and 0.98.

The index for any day is, therefore, equal to a constant K multiplied by the index of the day before. If rain is recorded on any day this is added to the index value. The value of K should be a function of season and should vary from one region to another (Linsley et al 1949). However, as

Cordery (1970) and Ward (1975) suggest, the choice of the value of K is not usually critical since the calculation is used as an \underline{index} of soil moisture.

Hopkins and Hackett (1961) found stormflow predictions which included the API of Linsley <u>et al</u> (1949) could be improved if antecedent temperatures were also taken into account. An index of antecedent temperature (ATI) was calculated and used in conjunction with API.

An alternative API described by Linsley \underline{et} al (1949) is the reciprocal API which is of the form:

where

APIR = the reciprocal API, and

Pt = the amount of rainfall which occurred t days prior to the storm event under consideration.

This index has no physical basis and was developed entirely on the premise that the impact of antecedent rainfall on stormflow amounts decreased over time. Linsley <u>et al</u> (1949) suggest that the logarithmic recession is pre= ferable to this approach if day-by-day values of the index are required.

In developing a method for estimating stormflow volumes, Reich (1971) divided the independent variables in his investigation into three classes, viz, storm parameters, physiographic catchment parameters and state variables. The state variables were defined by Reich as "... indices of the hydrologic state of the watershed prior to the runoff event" (Reich, 1971: 26). Four state variables were tested in this study:

- (a) API5 This is the amount of rain that fell during the five day period prior to the stormflow event.
- (b) API7 This antecedent precipitation index takes into account potential evapotranspiration. The index is calculated by subtracting potential evapotranspiration from the rainfall of the seven antecedent days and using the residual values in a reciprocal API as defined in Equa: tion 2.2. Potential evapotranspiration values were obtained from tables published by Thornthwaite and Mather (1957).
- (c) QINIT QINIT represents the stream discharge immediately prior to the rise of the hydrograph.
- (d) TEMP TEMP is the average maximum temperature for five days prior to the runoff event.

The variables QINIT and API7 were found to yield the strongest relationship with stormflow volumes. However, Reich concludes that "Antecedent condi= tions are expressed almost equally well by all four state variables, QINIT being slightly better than the indices based on antecedent precipitation. However, the overwhelming simplicity of the mere five-day precipitation gives that parameter which has been used nationally by the SCS for 20 years overall superiority" (Reich, 1971:40).

The British Meteorological Office produce fortnightly maps of soil moisture deficits (SMD) in the U K (Natural Environment Research Council, 1975). The British Flood Studies Team have incorporated SMD data in a procedure to calculate stormflow volumes along with a short term API which is defined as:

$$APIS_{d} = 0.5^{\frac{1}{2}}/P_{d-1} + 0.5 P_{d-2} + (0.5)^{2}P_{d-3} + (0.5)^{3}P_{d-4}$$

$$(0.5)^{4}P_{d-5}$$
(2.3)

where

APIS = the antecedent precipitation index,

P = the antecedent rainfall, and

d = the day for which the API is calculated.

The antecedent precipitation indices discussed to this point have all included more than one days' antecedent rainfall. In a study of stormflow prediction from catchment characteristics and CMS conducted by Hawkins (1961) it was concluded that one day antecedent rainfall showed greater association with stormflow than either the two day, five day or seven day antecedent rainfalls.

An explanation of Hawkins' results may be found in examining the nature of the soils and topography of the area where the research was conducted, the Missouri Gulch Watershed, Colorado. Hawkins described the soils as "extremely porous" while the slope gradients range up to 60 percent. Both these characteristics are conducive to rapid drainage of water out of the catchment, which suggests that the longer period antecedent rainfall indices would have little meaning, since little of this rainfall would be retained by the catchment storages.

2.4 Summary and Conclusions

The preceding review of stormflow theories, the variability of CMS and selected procedures for estimating CMS has highlighted a number of conclusions relevant to the SCS and R-index models for calculating stormflow volumes, viz:

- (a) There is strong evidence supporting theories of non-uniform stormflow production in a catchment, the mechanisms varying from catchment to catchment and possibly from storm to storm depending on CMS and the storm rainfall characteristics.
- (b) Antecedent moisture conditions are shown in all the stormflow theories discussed to be a major determinant of stormflow volumes.
- (c) Catchment and climatic factors give rise to spatial and temporal variation in CMS, the former variability within a catchment generally being ignored by procedures for estimating antecedent moisture conditions.

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- (d) Procedures for estimating CMS generally take the form of indices which have little physical relationship with actual values of soil moisture.
- (e) Evapotranspiration and drainage components of these indices are gene= rally neglected or estimated by arbitrary procedures.
- (f) The findings of Hawkins (1961) reveal that regional differences in catchment and environmental conditions may be important to the approach adopted for estimating CMS.

The variability of CMS and its effect on stormflow is a highly complex process which may vary from catchment to catchment or event to event. In both the SCS and R-index models there are two major areas of concern in estimating CMS, namely, the procedure by which CMS is estimated and the number of antecedent days required in this calculation. A

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Chapter 3 THE SCS STORMFLOW SIMULATION MODEL

Since the development of the rational formula in the nineteenth century, numerous techniques for predicting stormflow volumes and peak flow rates from a given amount of storm rainfall have been developed. In an attempt to simplify and standardise stormflow prediction, the Soil Conservation Service (SCS) of the United States Department of Agriculture developed a stormflow prediction model (NEH-4, 1972). In this chapter the SCS storme flow simulation model will be outlined with particular attention being given to the antecedent moisture component.

3.1 The SCS Stormflow Equation

The SCS model for calculating stormflow is based on a relationship between accumulated storm rainfall and accumulated stormflow. This relationship was derived from plot and small catchment experiments set on different soils and with varying vegetation cover and land-use practices. The relationship between storm rainfall and stormflow is expressed in terms of initial abstraction (Ia) and potential maximum retention (S) of storm rainfall by the catchment. The initial abstraction is that rainfall removed to satisfy catchment storages prior to any stormflow occurring, such abstractions being interception. The variable S is a catchment storage factor which theoretically can vary from infinity to zero. The relationship between the curves of accumulated storm rainfall, stormflow and infiltration plus initial abstraction through time are shown in Figure 3.1.

It is assumed in the SCS Model that $\frac{F}{S}$ + 1 and $\frac{Q}{Pe}$ + 1 as T + ∞ Thus

 $\frac{F}{E} = \frac{Q}{Pe} \qquad (3.1)$

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where

- F = actual accumulated inflitration, excluding Ta (mm)
- Q = accumulated stormflow at time T (mm)
- S = potential maximum retention (mm), ie, F + Ia + S as T + ∞ and

Pe = potential stormflow or effective rainfall (mm)

With F = Pe - Q, Equation 3.1 can be written as

$$Q = \frac{Pe^2}{Pe + S} \qquad (3.2)$$

Figure 3.1 Schematic curves of accumulated storm rainfall (P), accumulated stormflow (Q) and infiltration (F), plus initial abstration (Ia) showing the relationships used in the derivation of the SCS stormflow equation (USDA, 1980)



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A relationship between Ia and S was established from the previously mentioned experimental catchment data and it was expressed as:

Thus

$$Pe = P - Ia = P - 0.2S$$
 (3.4)

where.

P = total storm rainfall (mm)

By substituting Equation 3.4 in Equation 3.2

$$\Omega = \frac{(P - 0.2S)^2}{P + 0.8S}$$
(3.5)

when

Equation 3.5 is the rainfall-stormflow relation used in the SCS model.

Since the value of S can vary from zero to infinity a transformation was introduced to scale the runoff curve number variability from 100 to zero, the transformation being of the form:

 $CN = \frac{1000}{\frac{S}{25,4} + 10}$ CN = runoff curve number or the hydrological soil-cover complex number

From equation 3.6 it may be deduced that the runoff curve numbers (CN) are functionally related to S and have no intrinsic meaning, being only a convenient transformation of S to establish a O to 100 scale (Hawkins, 1978). The potential maximum retention (S) of a catchment is, in this model, considered to be dependent on the land-use or vegetation cover, its treat= ment or practice, its hydrological condition and hydrological soil group of the catchment assuming average antecedent moisture conditions.

The soils of the USA have been classified into four hydrological groups A to D for application in the SCS model. These groupings were based on the runoff potential or infiltration characteristics of the soils with soils in

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where

group A having the lowest munoff potential while poils in group D have the highest runoff potential. A similar classification has been undertaken for South African soils and is described by Schulze and Arnold (1979). Based on experimental data CN values have been tabulated for catchment land-use or vegetation cover, treatment or practice, hydrological condition and hydro= logical soil groups (Table 3.1). The CN values in Table 3.1 are for average antecedent moisture conditions. These values are adjusted for the catch= ment moisture status before stormflow is derived from CN and storm rainfall.

Table 3.1 Curve numbers (CN) for hydrological soil-cover complexes for average antecedent moisture conditions (NEH-4, 1972)

| 1 mil 1 m | - | Hydrologic | Hydro | logic | soil | group |
|---|------------------------|------------|-------|-------|------|-------|
| Land use or cover | ireatment or practice | condition | A | В | C | D |
| Fallow | Straight row | Poor | 27 | 86 | 93 | 94 |
| Row crops | Straight row | Poor | 72 | 81 | 88 | 91 |
| | Straight row | Good | 67 | 78 | 85 | 89 |
| | Contoured | Poor | 70 | 79 | 84 | 88 |
| | Contoured | Good | 65 | 75 | 82 | 86 |
| | Contoured and terraced | Poor | 66 | 74 | 80 | 82 |
| | Contoured and terraced | Good | 62 | 71 | 78 | 81 |
| Small grain | Straight row | Poor | 6.5 | 76 | 84 | - 58 |
| | Straight row | Good | 63 | 75 | 83 | 87 |
| | Contoured | Poor | 61 | 74 | 82 | 85 |
| | Contoured | Good | 6 I | 73 | 81 | 84 |
| | Contoured and terraced | FOOT | 61 | 72 | 79 | 82 |
| | Contoured and terraced | Good | 59 | 70 | 78 | 81 |
| Close-seeded legumes | Straight row | Poor | 66 | 77 | 85 | 89 |
| or rotation meadow | Straight row | Good | 58 | 72 | 81 | 85 |
| | Contoured | Poor | 64 | 75 | 83 | 83 |
| | Contoured | Good | 55 | 69 | 78 | 83 |
| | Contoured and terraced | Poor | 63 | 73 | 80 | 83 |
| | Contoured and terraced | Good | 51 | 67 | 76 | 80 |
| Pasture or range | | Poor | 68 | 79 | 86 | -89 |
| | | Fair | 49 | 69 | 79 | 84 |
| | | Good | 39 | 61 | 74 | 80 |
| | Contoured | Poor | 47 | 67 | 81 | 88 |
| | Contoured | Fair | 25 | 59 | 75 | 83 |
| | Contoured | Good | 6 | 35 | 70 | 79 |
| Headow (permanent) | | Good | 30 | 58 | 71 | 78 |
| Woodlands (farm wood | | Poor | 45 | 66 | - 27 | 83 |
| lots) | | Fair | 36 | 60 | 73 | 79 |
| | | Good | 25 | 55 | 70 | 77 |
| Farmsteads | | | 59 | 74. | 82 | 86 |
| Roads, dirt | | | 72 | 82 | 87 | 89 |
| Roads, hard-surface | | | 74 | 84 | 90 | 92 |

By eliminating S between Equation 3.5 and Equation 3.6, the relationarip between Q, P and CN may be represented by a family of curves (Figure 3.2).

Figure 3.2 Graphic solution to the SCS storm rainfall-flow equation (Adapted from: NEH-4, 1972)



3.2 Catchment Antecedent Moisture Conditions

Curve number adjustments for variations in the moisture status of a catch= ment are made in the SCS model on the basis of three classes of antecedent moisture conditions (AMC), described in NEH-4 (1972) in terms of stormflow potential. These three classes are given, descriptively, as:

- AMC-I. Lowest randf potential. The catchment solid are dry entropy. for satisfactory plougning or cultivation to take place.
- AMC-II The average condition.
- AMC-III Highest runoff potential. The catchment is practically saturated from antecedent rains.

Catchment antecedent moisture conditions are estimated from the five day antecedent rainfall, this being the total depth of rainfall over the five days preceding the stormflow event under consideration. According to Miller the use of five day antecedent rainfall"... is based on subjective judgement of rainfall-runoff data scatter at various antecedent rainfall time periods" (Miller, 1979; Personal Communication). In the three classes of antecedent rainfall, adapted for the SCS model from material developed by the Fort Worth EWP Unit, different class limits are given for the growing and the dormant seasons (NEH-4, 1972). These antecedent rain= fall classes are presented in Table 3.2 The assumed relationship between the antecedent moisture condition groups and the five day antecedent rain= fall index is linear (Figure 3.3).

| moistu | conditions (Adapted from NEH=4, 1972) |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|
| | |
| AMC group | Total 5-day antecedent rainfall (mm) |

| Table 3.2 | Antecedent rainfall | limits for estimating antecedent |
|-----------|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| | moisture conditions | (Adapted from NEH-4, 1972) |

| | Dormant season | Growing season |
|-----|----------------|----------------|
| I | Less than 12 | Less than 36 |
| II | 12 to 28 | 36 to 53 |
| III | Over 28 | Over 53 |

On the basis of the five day antecedent rainfall (Table 3.2) curve numbers derived from the soil-cover complex are adjusted before stormflow is calcualated (Table 3.3). The relationship between AMC and CN was determined empirically from rainfall-stormflow data from a number of catchments in the eastern USA. Catchments with single soil-cover complexes were chosen and depth of stormflow was plotted against depth of rainfall for the annual floods (NEH-4, 1972). The curves of Figure 3.2 were superimposed over the

achiter of points and the curve dividing the scatter equally (mediaty CND) was taken to be the CN for AMC-II (Figure 3.4).

Figure 3.3 The linear relationship between the total five day antecedent rainfall and the antecedent molisture condition groups (Adapted from: NEH-4, 1972)



The determination of curve numbers for AMC-I and AMC-III followed a similar procedure, with the curves which "...best fit the highest (AMC-III) and lowest (AMC-I) thirds of the plotting" taken as representative of these moisture classes (NEH-4, 1972:10.6). The procedure described in NEH-4 (1972) is not completely clear regarding the "best fit" for the highest and lowest thirds of the plotting. An explanation of this procedure is given by Miller (1979) of the United States Department of Agriculture, Soil Conser= vation Service (USDA-SCS): "To explain the variation on either side of the average RCN (Runoff Curve Number) curve, enveloping RCN lines were deter: The lower enveloping RCN curve represents AMC-I while the upper mined. enveloping RCN curve represents AMC-III. Plotting and smoothing these data with straight lines on normal-normal probability paper produces the AMC I. II, III relationship except at the extreme RCN limits (Figure 3.5). The development of these AMC I and III curve numbers is not dependent on any particular antecedent time period" (Miller 1979; Personal Communication). The enveloping curves I and III in Figure 3.4 define error envelopes, the

"cause" being attributed to variations in AMC. The plots of AMC-1, AMC-II and AMC-III on normal-normal probability paper are illustrated in Figure 3.5.

Table 3.3 Example of curve number adjustments for AMC-I and AMC-III (Adapted from: NEH-4, 1972)

| 1 Martin Composition 11 | CN for AMO | | |
|-------------------------|------------|---------|--|
| CN for condition | 017 10 | de mine | |
| II | I | III | |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | |
| 98 | 94 | 99 | |
| 96 | 89 | 99 | |
| 94 | 85 | 98 | |
| 92 | 81 | 97 | |
| 90 | 78 | 96 | |
| 88 | 75 | 95 | |
| 86 | 72 | 94 | |
| 84 | 68 | 93 | |
| 82 | 66 | 92 | |
| 80 | 63 | 91 | |
| 78 | 60 | 90 | |
| 76 | 58 | 89 | |
| 74 | 55 | 88 | |
| 72 | 53 | 86 | |
| 70 | 51 | 85 | |
| 68 | 48 | 84 | |
| 66 | 46 | 82 | |
| 64 | 44 | 81 | |
| 62 | 42 | 79 | |
| 60 | 40 | 78 | |

Figure 3.4 Determination of AMC-I, AMC-II and AMC-III from storm rainfall and stormflow records (Adapted from: NEH-4, 1972)



Figure 3.5 Relationship between AMC-1, AMC-II and AMC-II plotted on normal-normal probability paper (Adapted from: Miller, 1979)



The plotting of accumulated stormflow against accumulated storm rainfall (Figure 3.4) results in a scatter of plotted points representing changes in the value of S in Equation (3.5) and hence a corresponding change in the CN - from one storm to the next (Kent, 1973). Most of this difference in the CN is attributable to the variations in soil moisture preceding each storm (Kent, 1973). The three levels of AMC are therefore directly related to S. AMC-I is the lower limit of soil moisture or the upper limit of S, AMC-II is the average for which the CNs of Table 3.1 apply, and AMC-III is the upper limit of soil moisture or the lower limit of S (NEH-4, 1972). Thus, on a single catchment with an unchanging soil-cover complex the stormflow poten= tial is considered to be entirely a function of antecedent moisture conditions. 3.3 Weakness of the AMC Component of the SCS Model and Alternative Procedures

Two major weaknesses in the AMC procedure of the SCS model are pertinently described by Hawkins (1978:391): "First, the relationships are shown as discrete, and not continuous, thus implying sudden shifts in CN, with corresponding quantum jumps possible in calculated runoff. Secondly, NEH-4 con= tains no background development or statement of assumptions, leaving only appeals to agency authority as a foundation for professional beliefs, and not faith based on physical reasoning or reconciliation with reality". The latter criticism is of particular relevance to researchers working in this field, and is illustrated in the following extract taken from correspons dence with Miller of the USDA-SGS: "The National Engineering Handbock, Section 4, Hydrology, Table 4.2 Seasonal Rainfall limits for AMC was developed from empirical relationships based on experience. No documentation as to the exact table figures can be found in either our files or the files at the Fort Worth office ... The use of five day antecedent rainfall is based on subjective judgement of rainfall-runoff data scatter at various antecedent rainfall time periods" (Miller, 1979; Personal Communication).

In the preceding chapter evapotranspiration was shown to be a major factor affecting CMS. The SCS model does not allow for temporal or spatial variations in this variable, recognition only being given to gross seasonal differences. Furthermore, the same antecedent moisture procedure holds for all soils and vegetation types regardless of the variable influence which these catchment characteristics may have on evapotranspiration.

Despite the weaknesses of the antecedent moisture component of the SCS model, little attention has, until recently, been given to improving the AMC procedure. In an application of the SCS model by Simanton, Renard and Sutter (1973) in semi-arid conditions, the lowest antecedent moisture class was divided into four sub-classes. This research was, however, not speci= fically concerned with improving the SCS model. As early as 1954 four antecedent moisture classes had been described in "Hydrology Guide for Use in Watershed Planning" but did not contain any antecedent rainfall values associated with these classes (Miller, 1979: Personal Communication).

In research aimed at optimising CN and AMC, Dickey, Mitchell and Scarbos rough (1979) concluded that for the two selected catchments in Illinois, the five days' antecedent rainfall was not necessarily an appropriate adjusment of CN. These authors developed a multiple regression model to estimate CN correction for antecedent moisture conditions, this equation being given as:

CNC = -3,411 + 30,144 (R₂) - 3,627 (M) (3.7) where

CNC = curve number correction M = month and $R_{2} = 2$ day cumulative rainfall prior to the event.

A most significant and directed attempt at developing an improved procedure for estimating CMS for application in the SCS model was made recently by Hawkins. The procedure providing the foundation for the approach presented by Hawkins (1978) was a water yield model based on SCS curve numbers deve= loped by Williams and La Seur (1976). For their model, Williams and La Seur introduced a soil moisture index, SM, which was related to the poten= tial maximum retention, S, by:

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SM = V - S ..... (3.8)

where

V = the maximum value of potential moisture storage

of the site (mm)
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According to these authors a value of 508 mm was assigned to V "... because it provides ample storage to allow a wide range in curve numbers and yet is small enough to allow daily rainfall to influence SM properly" (Williams and La Seur, 1976:1243).

According to Hawkins (1978) the concept of moisture status proposed by Williams and La Seur (1976) is "... further developed on a conservation-ofmass basis to provide a logic-based alternate to the NEH-4 approach... It is also offered as an approximation of what may have been the original reasoning leading to NEH-4 relationships now apparently lost" (Hawkins, 1978:392). The following description of the procedure and rationale of this "logic-based alternate" is described by Hawkins (1978) as follows: Taking the SCS stormflow equation.

$$Q = \frac{(P - 0, 2S)^2}{P + 0, 8S} \qquad P \ge 0, 2 S \qquad \dots \qquad (3.9)$$

where

Q = stormflow (mm)

P = storm rainfall (mm)

S = potential maximum retention (mm) and

expanding the numerator, and applying polynomial division yields

$$Q = P - S (1, 2 - \frac{S}{P + 0, 8S})$$
, $P \ge 0, 2 S \dots (3, 10)$

Hawkins states: "It can easily be seen that the ultimate possible differ rence ($P \rightarrow \infty$) between rainfall P and direct runoff Q is not S, but 1.2 S, denoted \forall here..." (Hawkins, 1978:392). Thus with:

Hawkins continued: "This may be envisioned as the total water storage available on site, for a given condition of soil, vegetation, and moisture status. This makes no statement concerning the total soil water storage under such an 'oven dry' condition but only as defined by the current state of soil moisture. The NEH-4 also makes no such distinction" (Hawkins, 1978: 392).

For a given curve number, the storage available at time 1 is therefore:

$$\Psi_1 = 1.2S_1 = 1,2 \left(\frac{1000}{CN_1} - 10\right) 25,4 \dots (3.12)$$

the value 25.4 being introduced to express \forall in millimetres. Hawkins furthermore states that any change in \forall will be the difference between interim rainfall inputs (P) and losses due to evapotranspiration (ET) and runoff and drainage (Q,), so that at time 2:

$$\Psi_2 = \Psi_1 + ET - (P - Q_1) = 1.2S_2$$
 (3.13)

Therefore, from Equations 3.12 and 3.13:

$$\forall = 1.2 \left(\frac{1000}{CN_1} - 10\right) 25.4 + ET - (P - Q_1) = 1.2S_2$$
(3.14)

Since by definition

$$CN_2 = \frac{100}{10 + S_2/25,4}$$

substituting and simplification leads to

$$CN_2 = \frac{1200}{\frac{1200}{CN_1} + \frac{ET - (P - Q_1)}{25, 4}}$$
 (3.15)

By adopting the above procedure to adjust CN for CMS, there are a number of advantages over the NEH-4 procedure. These are listed below:

- (a) Evapotranspiration and drainage are implied in the NEH-4 classifica= tion for AMC and CN adjustment without conscious recognition of their roles (Hawkins, 1978). These losses are directly incorporated in the above procedure.
- (b) Determination of CMS is not limited to a five day period.
- (c) Curve numbers may be adjusted as continuous rather than discrete variables.
- (d) The Hawkins procedure allows for regional variations in evapotranspi= ration and drainage as well as for temporal variability of CMS, which in Chapter 2 was shown to be important, is well accounted for this modified procedure.

In the preceding chapter a number of procedures for estimating CMS were reviewed and it was concluded that generally these procedures were indices of CMS which neglected evapotranspiration and drainage, thus being limited in their applicability from region to region. While the Hawkins procedure overcomes these weaknesses, this technique requires inputs which are not readily available on ungauged catchments, namely evapotranspiration, drainage and the initial value of CN. The research presented in the ensuing chapters therefore includes, <u>inter alia</u>, proposed techniques for estimating these variables on ungauged catchments.

Chapter 4 AIMS, DATA AND PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

The principal objective of this investigation is to improve the antecedent moisture component of the SCS model. In attempting to achieve this end three areas of research were identified and the aims of each of these investigations are given. The research catchments are described and data requirements for this study are given. Finally, the analytical procedures for evaluating the results are outlined.

4.1 Aims

The three specific aims of this study are:

- (a) to determine whether, given accurate measures of antecedent rainfall, runoff, evapotranspiration and the initial CN, the procedure described by Hawkins (1978)¹ for adjusting catchment CN provides improved estimates of stormflow when compared with the standard SCS procedure.
- (b) to develop techniques for estimating, on ungauged catchments, the starting CN, evapotranspiration and runoff for application in HAWK and finally
- (c) to establish the optimum number of days which should be considered for the determination of antecedent moisture conditions for CN adjust= ments.

While the first of the above aims was of a more fundamental nature, the second aim was directed at the application of the SCS model in ungauged catchments. This latter aim therefore had to meet the following require= ments: First, procedures developed for estimating CMS have to be simple to use, the simplicity of the SCS model being one of its major advantages. Secondly, data requirements for these procedures should be readily available on ungauged catchments.

1 This procedure is referred to a HAWK in the ensuing discussion.

4.2 The Research Catchments

While a number of small agricultural research catchments have been monitored over the years in Natal, the availability of suitable data for hydrological research remains scarce. With the establishment, in the mid 1970's, of research catchments at Cedara and Zululand and a reinstitution of hydrological observations at the De Hoek catchments (Figure 4.1), the availability and quality of hydrological data have improved, although the records only cover a short period of time. Stormflow events on which this research was based were thus restricted to medium-sized rather than the annual stormflow events.

Catchments at Cedara, Zululand and De Hoek were selected on the basis of availability and quality of data, as well as their predominantly grassland vegetation. This latter requirement was included since most of Natal and South African agricultural catchments are grassland and any significant findings may thus be applicable on a regional and national scale. Further= more, variability in hydrological processes caused by different types of vegetation were thereby largely eliminated. Background information relating to the three selected locations is summarised in Table 4.1.

Suitable hydrological data were available for detailed analyses on five selected catchments, the areas of these catchments being given in Table 4.2.

| | Location | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------------|--------------|
| | Zululand | Cedara | De Hoek |
| Latitude | 28° 50'S | 20° 43'S | 29° 01'S |
| Longitude | 31° 46'E | 30° 15'E | 29° 10'E |
| Mean annual rainfall | 1 450 mm | 875 mm | 850 mm |
| Range of mean monthly | | | |
| temperatures | 16,9°C-24,9°C | 11,3°C-19,8°C | 6,8°C-18,6°C |
| Lithology | Biotite granite | Shales intruded | Mudstone, |
| | gneiss | by dolerite sills | shales and |
| | | and dykes | sandstones |
| | | 1 | |

Table 4.1 Background information to the Zululand, Cedara and De Hoek Catchments Figure 4.1 General location of the selected research catchments



Table 4.2 Location and areas of the five selected catchments

| a 0,25 |
|----------|
| |
| 0,41 |
| 0,45 |
| and 3,22 |
| and 0,67 |
| |

The topography, instrumentation, vegetation/land-use and soils of the five selected catchments are presented in Figure 4.2 to Figure 4.6. Since catchments V1M28 and V7M03 consist entirely of short grassland, vegetation maps of these catchments are not included.

The information presented in Figure 4.2 to Figure 4.6 is based on field observations as well as on various surveys which have been documented by Hope and Mulder (1979) for the Zululand Catchments and Schulze (1979) for the Cedara Catchments. Information pertaining to the De Hoek Catchments was obtained from Cousens and Burney (1977) and De Villiers (1963).

Figure 4.2 Catchment U2M20 (a) topography and instrumentation

- (b) vegetation/landuse and
- (c) soils











Figure 4.3 Catchment VIM28 (a) topography and instrumentation and (b) soils







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- Figure 4.5 Catchment WIM16 (a) topography and instrumentation
 - (b) vegetation/landuse and









- (a) topography and instrumentation
- (b) vegetation/land-use and
- (c) soils







4.3 Hydrological and Meteorological Data

While each of the catchments under consideration is instrumented by a continuous flow recorder and at least one autographic raingauge, continuous processed data in digitised form for these continuous records are only available for catchments W1M16, W1M17 and U2M20. For the remaining catchments selected storm hydrographs have been digitised to provide the stormflow volumes and hydrograph characteristics for these events. The associated storm rainfall and 30 antecedent days' rainfall have also been recorded. The processing of runoff records and stormflow hydrographs followed the procedure described by Schulze and Arnold (1979).

The separation of stormflow from delayed flow was based on the Hewlett and Hibbert (1967) approach, whereby a line of constant slope of 1,13 mm. day⁻¹ day⁻¹ is projected from the beginning of a stream rise to the point where it intersects the recession limb of the hydrograph (Arnold and Schulze, 1979). According to Arnold and Schulze, stormflow volumes "... estimated by the SCS model under control situations have shown very close agreement with results using the above method" (Arnold and Schulze, 1979:159). Furthermore, Hewlett, Cunningham and Troendle have stated that the classification of streamflow into stormflow and baseflow "... is an arbitrary decision of the analyst, whose main objective is, or should be, to maintain a consistent criterion for separation over all basins and all hydrographs" (Hewlett et al, 1979:232).

The selection of stormflow events for this study was restricted to those hydrographs produced by 15 mm or more rainfall. While this is not a particularly high threshold (SCS procedures were based on the annual storm) it allowed for the selection of a sample large enough for statistical analyses while the highly variable small events were largely excluded. Storm rainfall includes all rain falling between a point in time two hours before the hydrograph initiation and the termination of stormflow by the 1,13 mm.day. day separation slope. The two hour advance "allows for some clock error between water level and rainfall recorders and also for small aberrations in the computer-determined hydrograph rise" (Hewlett \underline{et} \underline{al} , 1977:234).

Additional meteorological data used in this study were American class A-pan evaporation depths and mean daily and monthly temperatures. These additional data were obtained from meteorological stations located adjacent to the catchments under consideration, the data for the Cedara and De Hoek Catchments having been provided by the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries and the data for the Zululand Catchments by the Department of Geography of the University of Zululand.

4.4 Catchment Curve Numbers

For the Determination of CN in the five catchments the procedures described in NEH-4 (1972) and Schulze and Arnold (1979) were followed. Having first identified homogeneous vegetation/soil units, curve numbers for average moisture conditions were assigned to those units and the proportion of the catchment covered by each unit determined. Details of the derivation of CN values for the five selected catchments are presented in Appendix 1.

Storm rainfall and stormflow data were used to determine the 'true' or optimum catchment CN value for each event. Solving for S in the stormflow equation:

$$Q = \frac{(P - 0.2S)^2}{P + 0.8S}, P \ge 0.2S \qquad(4.1)$$

yields
$$S = 5(P + 2Q - (4Q^2 + 5PQ)^{0.5} \qquad(4.2)$$

Making use of measured values of Q and P from actual storms and substituting in Equation 4.2 to obtain S, the 'actual' CN for these events could be calculated by using the previously described relationship.

$$CN = \frac{1000}{\frac{S}{25,4} + 10}$$
(4.3)

While the above procedure was used to determine a single lumped CN for the catchment, calculations of the optimum CN values for individual CN units within the catchment from storm rainfall and stormflow data necessitated a different approach, since stormflow amounts produced by each unit could not

be determined individually. The adopted procedure was based on the equation developed by Hawkins (1978), which has been discussed providually (of Section 3.3), viz:

where

 $\Delta \Psi = ET - (P - Q_1) \text{ or change in storage} \\ CN_2 = calculated CN at end of interval and \\ CN_1 = initial CN at start of interval \\ \label{eq:change}$

Assuming CN values for each unit, based on the soil-cover complex, to be correct, stormflow (Q) is calculated for each unit (Equation 4.1). These proportional values of Q are added to yield the total calculated stormflow volume for the catchment. The calculated and observed volumes are then compared. If the observed value is less than the calculated value, 4 in Equation 4.4 is increased and the CN₂ values for each unit adjusted accordingly, and vice-versa. The procedure is repeated until observed and calculated stormflow volumes correspond. A flow chart of this procedure for optimising CN is presented in Figure 4.7.



Figure 4.7 Flow chart of the procedure for optimising CN

Regarding the above procedure, the following should be noted:

(a) The amount by which ¥ is adjusted in each step and the accuracy to which observed and calculated stormflow must correspond is pre-defined. In this study 4 was adjusted by 0.2 mm and correspondence was to within one percent.

(b) The assumption is made that changes in V are uniform throughout the catchment which, as has been shown in Chapter 2, is not entirely correct.

4.5 Statistical Tests and Error Functions

The accuracy of stormflow simulations using HAWK or the standard SCS model was assessed in terms of the coefficient of determination (D) and the coefficient of efficiency (E) of observed and calculated stormflow depths in which:

$$D = \frac{\Sigma(Q_0 - \overline{Q}_0)^2 - \Sigma(Q_0 - Q_{est})^2}{\Sigma(Q_0 - \overline{Q}_0)^2} \qquad (4.5)$$

and

$$E = \frac{\Sigma(Q_{0} - \bar{Q}_{0})^{2} - \Sigma(Q_{0} - Q_{0})^{2}}{\Sigma(Q_{0} - Q_{0})} \qquad(4.6)$$

where

Both D and E will always be less than unity, high values indicating accurate simulation of stormflow. However, these two statistics are not identical as may be seen by comparing Equation 4.5 with Equation 4.6. While D is a good measure of the degree of association between observed and estimated values it does not reveal systematic errors (Aitken, 1973). However, by considering D and E together it is possible to ascertain whether systematic error is present, the value of E being lower than D when

this is so. The value of D can range from 0 to +1 while that of E can range from $-\infty$ to +1.

The error function F_1 may be used as an absolute measure of the efficiency of a model for comparison with other models (Roberts, 1979; Personal Communication). The error function F_1 is defined as the difference between D and E. Thus the closer F_1 is to zero, the less the systematic error occurs in simulated stormflow. In addition to the above procedures, observed versus calculated stormflow volumes using the various procedures have been plotted as scattergrams and may be compared with the line of perfect agreement (1:1).

The aims and hypotheses of this research have been outlined and the relevant data requirements and analytical procedures presented. Attention is now turned to the procedures by which these hypotheses were tested and the results thus obtained.

Chapter 5

THE APPLICATION OF THE HAWKINS PROCEDURE TO GAUGED CATCHMENTS

In order to gauge the efficiency of Hawkins technique (HAWK) for simulating stormflow volumes, it was necessary to eliminate as far as possible the inaccuracies caused by the limitations of the inputs into the model. The calculated stormflow volumes using these gauged or 'optimum' inputs were then compared with observed volumes. While rainfall and runoff data were gauged values, assumed to be correct, starting CN values (CN₁) and actual evapotranspiration (AET) depths used in HAWK had to be derived. HAWK was thus tested with optimum inputs using the lumped CN and distributed CN methods of calculating stormflow volumes (cf Section 3.1). This analysis was conducted on the two Zululand catchments, W1M16 and W1M17, since the required data, particularly with respect to the derivation of AET, were only available for these two catchments (Appendix 2).

5.1 Experimental Procedure

5.1.1 The optimum initial curve number

The value of CN_1 for a stormflow even was taken to be the optimum CN value of the previous stormflow event, this value having been determined by the procedure outlined in Section 4.4 Referring to Figure 5.1, the optimum CN for event I is the CN value of time A.. Since this is CN_1 for the event II, the rainfall, runoff and AET between the start of storm I and the start of storm II had to be determined in order to derive the change in storage, ¥ used to calculate the CN₂ for event II.

5.1.2 The derivation of actual evapotranspiration

The determination of AET posed a major problem in this research. Potential evapotranspiration (PET) may be estimated relatively easily by procedures such as those described by Penman (1948), Thornthwaite (1948), Blaney and Criddle (1950) or Van Bavel (1966). Actual evapotranspiration rates are, however, governed not only by potential evapotranspiration but

Figure 5.1 Schematic representation of the derivation of optimum CN_1 , AET, P and Q for use in HAWK



to a large extent by CMS, which is highly variable within a catchment (cf Chapter 2).

According to Dunne and Leopold (1978) the most popular method of computing

AET is by equation:

AET = PET x f $\left(\frac{AW}{AWC}\right)$ (5.1) where AET = the actual rate of evapotranspiration PET = the potential rate of evapotranspiration AW = the available soil moisture and AWC = the available water capacity of the soil

Since, however, information regarding AW and AWC was not available for the catchments under consideration an alternative procedure was considered more suitable for calculating AET.

A regression equation was developed whereby AET could be determined. The equation took the following form:

 $AET = \beta_0 + \beta_1 E + \beta_2 W$ (5.2)

where

| AET | - | actual evapotranspiration |
|------------------|---|--|
| Ε | = | a measure of the energy available for evapotranspiration |
| W | = | soil moisture available for evapotranspiration |
| β _O | = | the unknown regression coefficient referred to as the |
| | | constant term and |
| β ₁₋₂ | = | the unknown regression coefficients associated with the |
| | | independent variables E and W. |

For the derivation of AET the hydrological equation may be written as:

 $AET = P - Q_1 + \Delta S$ (5.3)

where

| Ρ | Ξ | rainfall inputs to the catchment |
|-----------------|---|----------------------------------|
| Q.1 | = | runoff from the catchment and |
| AS _t | 2 | changes in catchment storage |

While P and Q, may be determined on a gauged catchment, changes in S $_{\rm t}$ are more difficult to assess, this only being possible when soil moisture and

groundwater are being monitored adequately. By considering AET over a period of time where Δ S, is assumed to be zero, Equation 5.3 becomes:

In this study it was assumed that the catchment storages were at the same level when the rate of streamflow discharges were equal, an approach described by Lambert (1969). Furthermore, the selection of equal storage levels had to be on the recession limb of the hydroraph and at least two days after the cessation of the last stormflow event, thus allowing temporary storages to be depleted (Figure 5.2).

Fire 5.2 Schematic representation of the derivation of AET using the water balance approach



In a situation such as that illustrated in Figure 5.2, AET would be calculated between points A and B and the measure of energy and soil water for evapotranspiration would be determined for the same period.

Two measures of the energy for evapotranspiration were tested, viz, mean temperature (°C) and A-Pan evaporation depths (mm). The total depth of rainfall for the period under consideration was assumed to be measure of the soil moisture available for evapotranspiration. Assuming temperature and A-Pan evaporation exhibit strong intercorrelation, one of these energy variables had to be excluded from the regression equation. The excluded variable was that variable contributing least to the coefficient of determination.

The above water balance procedure is an adaptation of the procedure generally used to make estimates of AET over long periods, usually in excess of a year (Dunne and Leopold, 1978). However, Schulze (1974) used this procedure over periods as short as one month in a study of catchment evapotranspiration. The average duration over which AET values were calculated for developing the regression equations was 12,7 days. For greater accuracy two regression equations were developed for each catchment under consideration, one for the summer months and one for the winter months allowing for seasonal differences in soil moisture and soil radiation.

5.2 Results and Discussion

5.2.1 Optimised curve numbers

The average optimised CN values for events tested in catchments W1M16 and W1M17 are presented in Table 5.1. The average optimised CN values for each soil-cover complex unit in W1M16 are lower than the associated average SCS values of CN for AMC-II (Table 5.1). This observation is also manifest in the comparison of lumped CN values. These lower optimised CN values may be the result of the prevalent moisture conditions on W1M16 being lower than those assumed to be associated with CN at AMC-II. Alternatively, CN values may, for some reason, have been overestimated from field data.

Table 5.1 Average optimised CN values (a) and soll-cover complex CN values

(b) for catchments WIM16 and WIM17

| Catchment | | Homogeneous Soil Cover Complex Units | | | | | Lumped | |
|-----------|---|--------------------------------------|-----------|------|------|------|--------|------|
| | | I II | | 111 | IV | V | VI | CN |
| W1M16 | а | a 80,8 | 69,1 57,8 | 88,2 | - | - | 71,2 | |
| | b | 88,5 | 74,3 | 61,5 | 98,0 | - | ~ | 77,2 |
| W1M17 | а | 96,3 | 55,6 | 87,2 | 61,8 | 74,5 | 36,1 | 62,1 |
| | b | 98,0 | 55,0 | 87,2 | 61,0 | 74,1 | 39,8 | 63,2 |

5.2.2 Equations for actual evapotranspiration

The results of the analysis for the derivation of regression equations to calculate AET for catchments WIM16 and WIM17 are presented in Table 5.2 and Table 5.3, with both tables giving the individual coefficients of determination (D) between the three independent variables and AET as well as the coefficient of determination for each set of independent variables regressed against AET.

Table 5.2 Coefficients of determination (D) for the association of individual and combined independent variables (A-Pan evaporation, rainfall and mean temperature) with the dependent variable AET, for catchment W1M16 (n = number of observations)

| | Summer Winter | | | |
|-------------------|---------------|-------|--------|---------|
| Variable | D | D | D | D |
| A-Pan Evaporation | 0,5217 | | 0,687- | |
| Rainfall | 0,925= | 0,935 | 0,993= | - 0,994 |
| Mean Temperature | 0,640 | 0,929 | 0,442 | - 0,993 |
| | n = 28 | | n - 15 | |

Table 5.3 Coefficients of determination (D) for the association of individual and combined independent variables (A-Pan evaporation rainfall and mean temperature) with the dependent variable. AET, for catchment WIM17 (n = number of observations)

| | Summer | 1 | Winter | |
|--|---------|-------|---------|-------|
| Variable | D | D | D | p |
| A-pan Evaporation | 0,640 7 | | 0,568 J | |
| Rainfall | 0,925 - | 0,936 | 0,958 = | 0,959 |
| Mean Temperature | 0.677 | 0,926 | 0 404 | 0,968 |
| a product a construint of a field of the | 0,011 | | 1C | |

On the basis of the lowest coefficient of determination (D), either A-Pan evaporation or temperature was excluded from each of the regression equations, since these variables exhibited strong intercorrelation (ranging from 0,664 to 0,955). The following equations were finally accepted to calculate AET on catchments W1M16 and W1M17:

W1M16

| AET | = | 1,923 + | 0 | ,121 | A + | 0,540 | P (Summer) | **** | (5,5) |
|-----|---|---------|---|-------|-----|---------|------------|------|-------|
| AET | π | -4,698 | | 0.019 | A | + 0,833 | P (Winter) | | (5.6) |

W1M17

| AET | -2 | 1,406 + | 0,120 | A + 0,541 | P (Summer) | (5.7) |
|-----|----|----------|---------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| AET | - | -5,076 - | + 0,011 | T + 0,872 | P (Winter) | (5.8) |

where

AET = actual evapotranspiration (mm) A = A-Pan evaporation (mm) T = mean air temperature (°C) P = rainfall (mm).

(All the values in the above equations are cumulative totals for the interim period for which AET is calculated.)

Examination of the above equations reveals that the relative importance of soil moisture and energy for evaporation are different for summer and winter in both catchments WIM16 and WIM17. In catchment WIM16 β_2 (associated with P) is greater in winter than in summer while the converse is true for β_1 (associated with A). Similarly in catchment WIM17 the rains fail variable has greater weight in winter than in summer. These trends are confirmed by comparing the coefficients of determination for the individual independent variables on a seasonal basis (Table 5.2 and 5.3).

The above findings could possibly be due to the rainfall regime of the Zululand region. In summer the number of rain days is greater than in winter and it may be expected that soil moisture is at or close to field capacity more often in summer than in winter. Evapotranspiration may consequently be assumed to be at the potential rate more frequently in summer than in winter. Therefore, the factors affecting potential evapos transpiration (PET), the energy variables, would play a greater role in summer than in winter.

It may be concluded from the results presented in this section that the regression equations explain much of the variation of AET. In the light of this finding and considering the large amount of variance accounted for by these equations (D>0,935), the four equations presented above were regarded as suitable for calculating AET for inclusion in this study where data of optimum accuracy was required.

5.2.3 The calculation of stormflow

Having excluded as well as possible the errors due to inaccuracies of the inputs into HAWK, namely, CN_1 (initial CN), rainfall, runoff/drainage and AET, it was possible to gauge the efficiency of HAWK for simulating storme flow depths on catchments WIM16 and WIM17. Comparison of the efficiency of HAWK with that of the standard SCS technique for CN adjustment was by way of the objective functions D, E and F, described in Section 4.5. Both techniques were tested using the lumped CN as well as the distributed CN approaches. The error functions for these tests are summarised in Table 5.4 for catchment WIM16 and in Table 5.5 for WIM17. Associated scatter= grams of calculated versus observed stormflow depths are presented in Figure 5.3 and Figure 5.4 for these two catchments respectively.

Table 5.4 Error functions D. E and F. for the standard SCS model and HRWK tested on catchment WIM16 using the lumped CN (LCN) and distributed CN (DCN) methods with optimum data

| | Error Function | | | |
|------------|----------------|-------|-------|--|
| Procedure | D | Ξ | F, | |
| SCS (LCN) | 0,653 | 0,446 | 0,207 | |
| (DCN) | 0,747 | 0,467 | 0,280 | |
| HAWK (LCN) | 0,764 | 0,503 | 0,261 | |
| (DNC) | 0,787 | 0,698 | 0,089 | |

Table 5.5 Error functions D, E and F, for the standard SCS model and HAWK tested on catchment W1M17 using the lumped CN (LCN) and distributed CN (DCN) methods with optimum data

| | Error Function | | | | |
|-----------|----------------|--------|-------|--|--|
| Procedure | D | E | F 1 | | |
| SCS(LCN) | 0,227 | -0,193 | 0,420 | | |
| (DCN) | 0,634 | 0,584 | 0,050 | | |
| HAWK(LCN) | 0,719 | -0,053 | 0,772 | | |
| (DCN) | 0,840 | 0,833 | 0,007 | | |

A number of observations may be made in comparing the HAWK procedures with the standard SCS model:

- (a) For both catchments W1M16 and W1M17, stormflow simulations were more accurate using HAWK (Table 5.4 and Table 5.5).
- (b) Overestimation was common to all the procedures tested in catchment WIMI6. This overestimation is illustrated in the scattergrams (Figure 5.3). It may be noted that this overestimation is associated primarily with observed stormflow depths of between five and 25 mm.




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Figure 5.4 Scattergrams of calculated versus observed stormflow depths in catchment W1M17 using optimum data inputs and optimised CN,



Furthermore, overestimation or underestimation was less on catchment WIM17, particularly when using the HAWK technique with distributed CN.

- (c) The influence of the three-fold classification of antecedent moisture conditions for use in the standard SCS model is particularly evident in Figure 5.4 for catchment W1M17, where many of the stormflow events were associated with AMC-I, giving rise to little or no simulated stormflow for the associated storm rainfall.
- (d) Adopting the distributed CN approach in favour of the lumped CN approach improved the accuracy of stormflow simulation using both the SCS and HAWK techniques on catchments W1M16 and W1M17, this being particularly discernible when comparing the error function E for these procedures.

According to NEH-4 (1972) the distributed CN approach will simulate storm= flow more accurately than the lumped CN approach. The results of this analysis support this assertion. The distributed CN approach falls within the framework of the unit source area theories described in Section 2.1.2.

5.3 Conclusions

To conclude this analysis, it may be stated that given accurate data inputs, the Hawkins technique for CN adjustment has been shown to be a marked improvement on the standard SCS curve number adjustment procedure in simulating stormflow depths for the two selected catchments (Tables 5.4 and 5.5). However, it is necessary to establish whether this finding holds true for the more limited data usually available on ungauged catchments and also for catchments in different regions.

Chapter 6 THE ADAPTATION OF THE HAWKINS PROCEDURE TO UNGAUGED CATCHMENTS

The four basic inputs required to adjust curve numbers for antecedent moisture conditions using the Hawkins procedure have been outlined in Chapter 5 as being:

- (a) the initial curve number (CN1)
- (b) the interim actual evapotranspiration (AET)
- (c) the interim drainage or runoff (Q) and
- (d) the interim rainfall (P)

Assuming antecedent daily rainfall values to be available on ungauged catchments, the remaining three inputs need to be estimated. Procedures for estimating these inputs are proposed in this chapter followed by an examination of the results using these procedures and HAWK to adjust CN for catchment moisture status and thence calculate stormflow by the SCS model.

6.1 Experimental Procedure

6.1.1 The estimation of initial curve number

The accuracy of CN_1 is of utmost importance in deriving CN_2 (the CN prior to the stormflow event) because inaccuracies in the original estimate of CN_1 , assuming an accurate measure of changes in storage (¥), are carried through to CN_2 and are not 'averaged out' over time. However, if CN_1 could be determined accurately by one means or another, it would obviate the need to determine CN_2 using CN_1 . Initially two procedures for estimating CN_1 on ungauged catchments were developed and tested, both procedures using averaging techniques. These procedures were based on the 20 antecedent days' rainfall prior to each stormflow event, these 20 days being divided into four pentads. The following analyses were all conducted using the distributed CN approach since, according NEH-4 (1972), this method yields better results than the lumped CN method, this having been substantiatated in Chapter 5. 58

The first procedure developed for calculating CN₁ involved the determina= tion of CN values for each of the four antecedent pentads and the calculation of an average CN value (CNA1) using the following methods:

- (a) Calculate the CN for each pentad (PCN). The QN at the start of the pentad was assumed to be the soil-cover complex CN for the AMC-II condition and the CN at the end of the pentad, PCN, was determined using the Hawkins technique (Equation 3.15).
- (b) Calculate the average CN for the four pentads (CNA1).

$$CNA = \frac{4}{4}$$

$$(6.1)$$

where

 $CNA1 = CN_1 in HAWK and$

PCN = the calculated pentad CN for each pentad

(c) Re-adjust CNA1 for changes in storage (¥) over the final pentad. This was the final CN used to calculate stormflow volumes (CN₂) and thus gave additional weight to changes in ¥ during the pentad closest to the stormflow event.

The second procedure for calculating CN_1 , referred to as CNS2, was based on the moving average principle. Starting with the pentad furthest from the event (pentad 1) the pentad CN (PCN) was calculated by HAWK assuming the soil-cover complex CN for the AMC-II condition to be the initial CN (CN_1). The average of the soil-cover complex CN and the calculated PCN for this pentad became the new starting CN, viz, CN_1 , for the next pentad. This procedure was repeated for the second to third and finally third to fourth pentads, with the adjusted CN in each pentad being averaged with the soilcover complex CN to constitute the initial CN of the next pentad.

Four additional procedures for estimating the initial CNs required in adjusting CN by HAWK were tested. Each of these procedures assumed the soil-cover complex CN at AMC-II to represent CN_1 . The first procedure cal= culated changes in ¥ over five antecedent days, the second procedure was based on 10, the third on 15 and the fourth on 20 antecedent days. These four procedures are referred to as CN5, CN10, CN15 and CN20 respectively.

The testing of the six CN procedures described above was performed on two sets of data:

- (a) First, the data of 'optimum' accuracy, derived from gauged catchments, were used. Thus, measured rainfall, measured runoff and AET calcula= ted by a regression equation were used to determine changes in catchment storage, ¥. Since both continuous flow records and the information for the regression equations to calculate AET were availa= ble only for catchments W1M16 and W1M17, these were the only two catchments where 'optimum' data were used in these analyses.
- (b) Secondly, measured rainfall with estimated values of runoff and of AET were used, viz, 'test' data.

6.1.2 The estimation of actual evapotranspiration

For the calculation of AET on ungauged catchments, estimates of the following variables had to be made:

- (a) the rate of potential evapotranspiration (PET) and
- (b) the soil moisture available for evapotraspiration.

The estimation of PET was made by the Blaney and Criddle (1950) equation, this method being chosen because:

- (a) the equation is based on average air temperatures, which are available for most regions of Natal and
- (b) crop type and day length are considered in this equation, thereby providing for regional and catchment differences in PET.

According to the Blaney and Criddle equation:

Criddle, 1950)

PET = $(0, 142 \text{ T}_a + 1, 095)(\text{T}_a + 17, 8) \text{kd} \dots (6.2)$

where

| PET | = | potential evapotranspiration (mm x 10) |
|-----|---|--|
| Ta | = | average air temperature (°C) |
| k | = | empirical crop factor which varies with crop type and stage of |
| | | growth and |
| d | = | the monthly fraction of annual hours of daylight (Blaney and |

Values of k and d as tabulated in Dunne and Leopold (78) were used in the above equation.

Information pertaining to the moisture characteristics of many soil series in Natal are not readily available. To overcome the problem of limited information for application in calculations of actual evapotranspiration, a procedure was developed to adjust PET rates for restrictions in the availa= bility of soil moisture based on Holmes' (1961) relationship between available soil moisture and the rate of AET:PET for different textured soils (Figure 6.1).

Figure 6.1 Ratio of actual evapotranspiration (AET) to potential evapotranspiration (PET) as a function of soil moisture for three soil textures (Adapted from: Holmes, 1961)



Ratio of available soil moisture to available water capacity

Since it was not practicable to determine, by direct means, the available soil moisture on a catchment, it was necessary to define classes of antes cedent rainfall which may be equated with soil moisture available for evapotranspiration. The antecedent rainfall classes defined in NEH-4 (1972) for application in the SCS stormflow model were adapted for this purpose, and since most stormflow events in Natal occur during the growing season, the rainfall class limits associated with that season were assumed (cf Section 3.2). The SCS antecedent moisture classes were used since these classes imply the upper and lower boundaries of soil moisture, namely, field capacity and wilting point, which correspond with the soil moisture limits in Figure 6.1.

In order to provide a finer resolution for the determination of AET, the three moisture classes were each divided into two sub-classes to produce six classes. Since the relationship between the five day antecedent rain= fall and the antecedent moisture classes (AMC) is linear (NEH-4, 1972), AMC-II could be divided into two equal sub-classes and classes of equiva= lent 'width', shown in Figure 6.2, were created in the AMC-I and AMC-III classes.

Figure 6.2 The derivation of class limits for six antecedent moisture classes from the three original SCS classes



By superimposing the six antecedent moisture classes on the abscissa in Figure 6.2 and assuming the centre of the class to be representative of that class, the ratio AET:PET for the major soil types could thus be estimated for each antecedent rainfall class (Figure 6.3).

Figure 6.3 The assumed relationship between antecedent moisture conditions, soil texture and the ratio of actual to potential evapotranspiration



PET Potential Evapotranspiration (1) Sand (2) Sandy-Loam (3) Loam (4) Clay

The curves presented in Figure 6.1 were simplified in Figure 6.3, being represented as straight lines. An additional line for sandy-loams was introduced half way between curves for sand and loam since many of the soils in Natal fall into this category. The conversion factors for calcualiting AET from PET based on soil texture and moisture conditions are contained in Figure 6.3

While the procedure outlined above includes a number of assumptions, the major factors governing AET rates are accounted for thereby providing a conceptually sound estimate of AET. Furthermore, the data requirements for this method, viz, daily rainfall and the major soil types, are generally available for ungauged catchments. Textural descriptions of the soils of Natal are given, <u>inter alia</u>, by Van der Eyk, MacVicar and De Villiers (1969). A further advantage of this method is that AET may be weighted for each soil type within a catchment.

For the stormflow events considered in this research, PET was calculated for the respective month and reduced to a depth per pentad. On the basis of the rainfall in each pentad these values of PET were adjusted for the assumed available soil moisture (Figure 6.3), with AET being weighted according to the area of each major soil texture type in the catchments.

6.1.3 The estimation of runoff

The estimation of runoff or drainage from a catchment is a fundamental problem in hydrology with models for this variable generally being of a complex nature. For the purpose of this study an estimate of runoff from ungauged catchments over a minimum period of five days was required. With the view to applying HAWK on ungauged catchments it was necessary to develop a procedure whereby relative measures of the runoff response from catchments in different regions could be estimated. However, no such procedure exists for application in South Africa over such short periods, namely, a pentad.

The method proposed in this study for estimating runoff for each pentad is based on a procedure described by Midgley and Pitman (1969) for calculating the mean annual runoff from ungauged catchments. According to the above authors the relationship between mean annual rainfall (P_m) and the mean annual runoff (R) is non-linear and varies geographically within South Africa.

The relationship between P_m and R was expressed by Midgley and Pitman (1969) as a power curve:

 $R = \beta P_m^{\gamma} \qquad (6.3)$

where

R = mean annual runoff (mm)

Pm = mean annual rainfall (mm) and

 β and γ = coefficient and exponent respectively of the power function

The above relationship holds up to a critical value of mean annual rains fall, P_m , after which the slope of the power curve is unity. Beyond this critical value mean annual runoff is calculated according to the following equation:

 $R = P_m - L$ (6.4) where $L = a \text{ constant loss (mm), applicable where } P_m > P$

The value of P_c and hence L may be determined by differentiating Equation 6.3 and equating dR/dP_m to unity, thus establishing the point at which the slope of the power curve is unity (Midgley and Pitman, 1969).

Regional values for β and γ were determined by Midgley and Pitman (1969) for South Africa. Thus for a given location and given mean annual rainfall, the runoff response of a catchment may be determined, this response being expressed as:

The values of B, $\gamma,~P_{_{\rm C}}$ and R $_{_{\rm e}}$ for the catchments included in this study are summarised in Table 6.1.

Table 6.1 Values of the coefficient (β), exponent (γ), critical mean annual rainfall (P_c) and response ratio (R_e) for calculating runoff in the six selected research catchments

| Location | β | Y | P _C (mm) | Re |
|----------|--------------------------|-------|---------------------|-------|
| Zululand | 6.414 x 10 ⁻⁹ | 3,433 | 1403 | 0,310 |
| Cedara | 6,414 x 10 ⁻⁹ | 3,433 | 1403 | 0,093 |
| De Hoek | 5,033 x 10 ⁻⁹ | 3,554 | 1080 | 0,153 |

For calculations of runoff for each pentad the assumption was made that the response of the catchment to the rainfall during the respective pentad was the same as R_e . For example, if a pentad's rainfall at Cedara (R_e = 0,093) was 30,0 mm, the pentad's runoff was estimated at 30,0 x 0,093 = 2,79 mm. While it is accepted that there are fundamental weaknesses in this approach, particularly with respect to delayed drainage, no alternatives were researched for estimating runoff over short periods. Furthermore, this procedure provides a relative measure of drainage losses from region to region.

6.2 Results and Discussion

The simulation of stormflow depths on ungauged catchments by the SCS model using HAWK necessitates the derivation of CN_1 , AET and interim runoff/ drainage. Procedures for estimating these model inputs have been proposed in Section 6.1. Two catchments, W1M16 and W1M17, have accurate data available for HAWK (optimum data) thus making it possible to evaluate the effects of the various procedures for estimating CN_1 on simulated stormflow depths, largely independent of variations caused by data inaccuracies. The results of the analyses conducted on these two Zululand catchments are dealt with first followed by a presentation and discussion of the results from catchments U2M20, V1M28 and V7M03 for which only calculated runoff and AET were available (test data).

6.2.1 Stormflow simulation on catchments W1M16 and W1M17

The results for the stormflow simulation analyses conducted on catchments WIM16 and WIM17 are summarised in Table 6.2 and Table 6.3 respectively. The associated scattergrams of observed versus calculated stormflow depths for these two catchments are presented in Appendices 3 and 4 respectively.

By the first examining the error functions D, E and F_1 associated with the tests conducted using optimum data, the following observations may be made regarding the six CN procedures tested on catchment W1M16 (Table 6.2):

(a) Although procedure CN5 results in the highest value of D (0,918), this procedure gives rise to large systematic over-estimation in calculated stormflow depths. The values of E and F, are -1,207 and 2,118 respectively, these being the greatest error values of the six CN procedures.

- (b) The three procedures CN10, CN15 and CN 20 simulate stormflow depths almost equally in terms of the error functions, D, E and F.
- (c) The averaging procedures, CNA1 and CNS2, are associated with high values of D, viz, 0.840 and 0.884 respectively. However, the systematic over/underestimation reflected in the values of E and F_1 negate the usefulness of these procedures for adjusting CN and subset quently calculating stormflow by the SCS model.
- Table 6.2 Error functions D, E and F, for the standard SCS model and six HAWK curve number procedures tested on catchment W1M16 based on optimum data (OPT) and test data (TES)

| | Error Function | | | | | | |
|------------|----------------|--------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| Procedure | D | E | F | | | | |
| SCS | 0,747 | 0,467 | 0,280 | | | | |
| CNA1(OPT) | 0,840 | -0,458 | 1,298 | | | | |
| (TES) | 0,866 | -0,693 | 2,266 | | | | |
| CNS2(OPT) | 0,884 | -1,022 | 2,106 | | | | |
| (TES) | 0,884 | 0,750 | 0,134 | | | | |
| CN5 (OPT) | 0,918 | -1,207 | 2,118 | | | | |
| (TES) | 0,891 | -0,370 | 1,261 | | | | |
| CN10(OPT) | 0,701 | 0,305 | 0,396 | | | | |
| (TES) | 0,933 | -2,597 | 3,530 | | | | |
| CN15(OPT) | 0,692 | 0,387 | 0,305 | | | | |
| (TES) | 0,941 | -2,712 | 3,653 | | | | |
| CN20(OPT)) | 0,735 | 0,443 | 0,292 | | | | |
| (TES) | 0,932 | -3,085 | 4,107 | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |

- (d) The systematic error, as indicated by F₁, was found on examining the scattergrams in Appendix 3 to be overestimation of stormflow depths for all the procedures tested.
- (e) While procedure CN20 results in a value of D of only 0,735 (the fourth highest), the better results reflected in functions E and F, make this the most suitable CN procedure for calculating stormflow on this particular catchment given optimum data inputs.

Assuming the optimum data for the analysis on catchment W1M16 to be accurate, the consistent overestimation of stormflow depths associated with each of the procedures tested may be attributed to the very nature of these procedures. Each procedure requires the soil-cover complex CN at AMC-II as a basic input, thus any error in the derivation of this CN would be carried through to the final adjusted CN used to calculate the stormflow depths. The value of the average soil-cover complex CN and AMC-II was shown in Section 5.1.1 to b higher than the average optimised CN values. This earlier finding may thus account for the overestimation of stormflow depths reflected in the results of this analysis. Since by using optimised start= ing CN values in the preceding analysis (cf Section 5.2.3) did not give rise to overestimation of this magnitude on catchment W1M16, the explanation presented above is given added weight. Furthermore, the procedures CNA1 and CNS2 are particularly sensitive to errors in the estimation of the CN at AMC-II because of the greater emphasis these procedures give to this CN in the derivation of CN..

The simulation of stormflow depths on catchment W1M17 using optimum data inputs reveals very little systematic over/underestimation regardless of which of the six CN procedures are used, with values of F_1 ranging between 0,002 and 0,028 (Table 6.3). This lack of systematic error would be expected if the argument given above explaining the systematic errors on catchment W1M16 holds true, since the average optimised and average soll-cover complex CN values were found to be similar for catchment W1M17 (cf Section 6.2.1).

| | Error Function | | | | | |
|-----------|----------------|-------|-------|--|--|--|
| Procedure | D | E | F. | | | |
| SCS | 0,634 | 0,584 | 0,050 | | | |
| CNA1(OPT) | 0,821 | 0,807 | 0,014 | | | |
| (TES) | 0,652 | 0,526 | 0,126 | | | |
| CNS2(OPT) | 0,826 | 0,798 | 0,028 | | | |
| (TES) | 0,637 | 0,414 | 0,223 | | | |
| CN5 (OPT) | 0,853 | 0,849 | 0,004 | | | |
| (TES) | 0,890 | 0,875 | 0,015 | | | |
| CN10(OPT) | 0,821 | 0,818 | 0,003 | | | |
| (TES) | 0,883 | 0,845 | 0,038 | | | |
| CN15(OPT) | 0,782 | 0,780 | 0,002 | | | |
| (TES) | 0,881 | 0,816 | 0,065 | | | |
| CN20(OPT) | 0,779 | 0,776 | 0,003 | | | |
| (TES) | 0,890 | 0,741 | 0,149 | | | |

Table 5.3 Error functions D, E and F₁ for the standard SCS model and six HAWK curve number procedures tested on catchment W1M17 based on optimum data (OPT) and test data (TES)

Further examination of the error functions D and E associated with the CN procedures using optimum data on catchment W1M17 show little variation (Table 6.3). The values of D range between 0.853 for procedure CN5 and 0.779 for procedure CN20 while the values of E range from 0.849 for procedure CN5 and 0.741 for procedure CN20. However, since procedure CN5 is associated with the highest value of D and E and its F_1 value is closest to zero, it may be concluded that this procedure is the most suitable procedure for stormflow simulation on catchment W1M17, given optimum data inputs for HAWK.

A comparison of the accuracy of HAWK using the CN5 procedure with optimum data inputs and HAWK based on optimised initial CN values reveals very little difference in the error functions for catchment W1M17 (Table 6.4). Each of the error functions improved slightly using procedure CN5, suggest ting that for catchment W1M17 the assumption that soil-cover complex CN for AMC-II may be used as the value of CN₁ is valid. This situation may be expected to arise in regions having a high frequency of rainfall events and soil moisture contents which are consistently close to those values associated with AMC-II.

Table 6.4 Error functions D, E and F_1 for the curve number procedure CN5 based on optimum data (OPT) and the HAWK procedure based on optimised initial CN values (CN₁) and the optimum data

| | Error Function | | | | | |
|-----------------------|----------------|-------|-------|--|--|--|
| Procedure | D | E | Ē, | | | |
| CN5 (OPT) | 0,853 | 0,849 | 0,004 | | | |
| CN ₁ (OPT) | 0,840 | 0,833 | 0,007 | | | |

While the accuracy of stormflow simulations on catchments W1M16 and W1M17 is not affected markedly by using any one of the selected CN procedures and HAWK with optimum data, attention is now directed at assessing the influence of using test data (estimated runoff and AET values) in conjunc= tion with these procedures. For this purpose, the error functions for optimum and test data in Table 6.2 and Table 6.3 associated with the SCS model and the six CN procedures are compared. In examining the changes in the error functions when test data rather than optimum data are used for catchment W1M16 (Table 6.2), the following observations may be made:

- (a) The values of D for procedures CNA1, CNS2 and CN5 using test data are similar to the corresponding values using optimum data. However, the values of D increase markedly using test data for procedures CN10, CN15 and CN20.
- (b) The error function E generally reflects greater error associated with the CN procedures when test data are used. However, using test data

in procedures CNS2 and CN5 improved the value of E substantially, from -1,022 to 0,750 and -1,207 to -0,370 respectively.

- (c) Systematic overestimation of stormflow depths resulting from the use of test data probably accounts for the less favourable values of E as described in (b) above. This may be deduced by examining the increases of F_1 values for test data in place of optimum data when D values are generally comparable. This finding is confirmed by examining the scattergrams in Appendix 3. The improved simulation results using procedures CNS2 and CN5 with test data are also confirmed in Appendix 3 with the points of observed and calculated stormflow plotting evenly about the 1:1 line.
- (d) On the basis of the three error functions, procedure CNS2 is the most effective procedure for use with test data while procedure CN5 is the most accurate of the less complex procedures (CN5 to CN20).

In comparing the values of F_1 for procedures CN5 through to CN20 for test data on catchment W1M16 (Table 6.2), it may be noted that the systematic overestimation of stormflow increases with the number of antecedent days considered. This is also confirmed by examining the associated scatter= grams in Appendix 3. Since the systematic error associated with these procedures did not reveal this trend when using optimum data, it may be concluded that the test data gave rise to this progressive increase in the overestimation of stormflow. Thus the true AET and runoff/drainage would appear to be greater than those values estimated, these differences being cumulative and thus greater the longer the antecedent period considered.

A comparison of the error functions for the six CN procedures using optimum data with those using test data on catchment W1M17 (Table 6.3), leads to observations somewhat different to those discussed above:

- (a) In considering procedures CNA1 and CNS2, values for both D and E decreased with the use of test data, indicating that the use of test data in these procedures reduced the accuracy of stormflow estimation.
- (b) As was reported for catchment W1M16, the values of D as well as E improve when using test data rather than optimum data with procedures CN5, CN10, CN15 and CN20, an exception being the value of E which decreased for procedure CN20. The explanation given previously for catchment W1M16 may be assumed to hold for catchment W1M17.

- (c) The very small systematic over/underestimation associated with simulated results using optimum data is not increased markedly by using the test data (F, in Table 6.3).
- (d) On the basis of the three error functions, procedure CN5 is the most suited procedure for simulating stormflow on this catchment given test data. This is a conclusive observation since this procedure produces the highest value of D (0,890), has the highest value of E (0,875) and is associated with the least systematic error (F, = 0,004).

The use of test data instead of optimum data on catchment W1M17 resulted in minimal decreased in the accuracy of stormflow simulation except when included with the averaging procedures CNA1 and CNS2. In contrast to the results obtained on catchment W1M16, slight underestimation of stormflow depths for observed values greater than 12,5 mm was revealed for the two averaging procedures CNA1 and CNS2 (Appendix 3).

Having examined the results of the six CN procedures using both optimum and test data on catchments W1M16 and W1M17, a number of general conclusions may be reached:

- (a) The methods proposed for estimating AET and runoff on ungauged catch= ments are successful for inclusion in HAWK and thence simulating stormflow depths on these two catchments. However, there is evidence suggesting systematic underestimation of either runoff or AET (or both) in catchment W1M16, thought this is not conclusive.
- (b) The two averaging procedures, CNA1 and CNS2, hold no discernible advantage over the less complex CN procedures, CN5, CN10, CN15 and CN20.
- (c) The accurate determination of CN values from the soil-cover complex is critical to the accuracy of predicting stormflow depths, a view sub= stantiated by Hawkins (1975). Inaccuracies in estimating the soilcover complex CN and AMC-II may account for systematic over or under= estimation of stormflow depths.

The final step in this analysis is to determine whether the six CN procedures dealt with above would simulate stormflow depths, on ungauged catchments, more accurately than the standard SCS procedure. For catchment W1M16 the error functions associated with the standard SCS procedure

(distributed CN) are given in Table 6.2. Comparing the error functions for the standard SCS procedure with those of the modified procedures using test data indicates that the error expressed by D is greater for the standard SCS than for any of the six CN procedures tested on catchment W1M16. However, the value of E associated with the standard SCS procedure indicates a higher efficiency of simulation than for the remaining procedures, except procedure CNS2. Furthermore, systematic overestimation is not as apparent for the standard SCS procedure as it is for the modified HAWK procedures, only procedure CNS2 having a value of F, closer to zero than the standard SCS procedure. From the above observations it may thus be concluded that for catchment W1M16 simulation of stormflow depths, assuming this to be an ungauged catchment, would be best achieved by using procedure CNS2, with the standard SCS procedure being the alternative choice.

The error functions for the standard SCS procedure and modified CN procesdures for catchment W1M17 are given in Table 6.3. In terms of error functions D, E and F₁, the standard SCS procedure simulates stormflow depths reasonably well on catchment W1M17. However, besides the two averaging procedures, CNA1 and CNS2, the modified CN procedures based on test data have substantially higher values of D and E while the values of F₁ are smaller than, or similar to, the value of the standard SCS procedure. These results lead to the conclusion that the CN procedures CN5 through to CN20 are superior to the standard SCS procedure for adjusting CN values on catchment W1M17. Furthermore, the procedure CN5 is associated with the least random and systematic error of all the procedures tested on catchment W1M17 and may thus be regarded as the most suitable procedure for adjusting CNs on the catchment.

Evidence has been presented in this section that the use of HAWK on ungauged catchments such as W1M16 and W1M17 is likely to simulate stormflow depths more accurately than the standard SCS model. However, at this stage it cannot be assumed that this finding will hold for catchments in other regions. Furthermore, the selection of the most suitable CN procedure for HAWK for general application requires further investigation. Attention is thus turned to testing these procedures on three more catchments in Natal, assuming ungauged conditions. 6.2.2 Stormflow simulations on Catchments U2M20, V1M28 and V7M03

Catchments U2M20, V1M28 and V7M03 are representative of large parts of Natal. The following results thus have particular relevance to the application of HAWK for stormflow simulations in this Province. All the analyses relating to these three catchments were based on calculated AET and calculated runoff (test data), summarised in Appendix 2.

U2M20:

The error functions associated with each of the selected CN procedures for catchment U2M20 are presented in Table 6.5 and the associated scattergrams in Appendix 5. From an examination of Table 6.5 it may be concluded that the simulated stormflow depths are generally inaccurate regardless of the procedure used, since the values of D are all less than 0,495, of E less than 0,105 and F_1 greater than 0,244. These results indicate that both random and systematic errors are associated with the simulated stormflow depths on this catchment. It should, however, be noted that all the events considered for this catchment were of the order of four millimetres or less of stormflow, these small events being particularly difficult to simulate.

| | Error Function | | | | | | |
|-----------|----------------|--------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| Procedure | D | E | F | | | | |
| SCS | 0,001 | -1,762 | 1,873 | | | | |
| CNA 1 | 0,307 | -0,645 | 0,952 | | | | |
| CNS2 | 0,144 | -1,286 | 1,430 | | | | |
| CN5 | 0,349 | 0,104 | 0,245 | | | | |
| CN10 | 0,366 | 0,014 | 0,322 | | | | |
| CN15 | 0,409 | -0,171 | 0,580 | | | | |
| CN20 | 0,494 | -5,407 | 5,901 | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |

Table 6.5 Error functions D, E and F₁ for the standard SCS model and six HAWK curve number procedures for catchment U2M20

The standard SCS model performs particularly poorly on catchment U2M20 (Table 6.5). An examination of the scattergram of estimated versus observed stormflow depths reveals a localisation of points corresponding

to, or close to, zero estimated stormflow (Appendix 5). This finding may be attributed to the nature of the three-fold classification of antecedent moisture conditions in the SCS model. All but one of the stormflow events of U2M20 was associated with AMC-I and the corresponding CN adjustments were clearly excessive.

The use of averaging CN procedures, CNA1 and CNS2, gave better results than the SCS model, CNA1 simulating stormflow depths more accurately than CNS2 in terms of D, E and F₁ (Table 6.5). However, both these averaging proces dures are associated with marked systematic underestimation of stormflow depths as reflected in the values of F₁ (CNA1:F₁ = 0.952; CNS2:F₁ = 1.340) and the scattergrams presented in Appendix 5.

Of the remaining CN procedures, the trend is for the systematic error to change from underestimation in CN5 through to progressively large overestimation in CN10, CN15 and CN20. From the above observation, it may be deduced that the underestimation associated with procedure CN5 is not caused by the test data but more likely to be a function of the initial CN $(CN_1 = soil-cover complex CN)$. The shift for underestimation to progressively greater overestimation may, however, be attributed to the estimates of AET and drainage/runoff being too low. The above hypothesis is substantiated since the longer the antecedent period considered, the greater the absolute discrepancies in 'true' and calculated water losses from the catchment would be, giving rise to greater overestimation of stormflow because of lower values of 4:

Selecting the most efficient CN procedure for simulating stormflow depths on catchment U2M20 is not conclusive in favour of one or other procedure. However, on the basis of the error functions D, E and F₁, two procedures may be regarded as yielding more accurate results than the remaining procedures, namely, CN5 and CN10. While CN5 is associated with the higher value of D, slightly greater systematic error is reflected in the values of E and F₁ in this procedure than in procedure CN10. Since procedure CN5 underestimates and procedure CN10 overestimates stormflow depths, procedure CN10 is proposed as a suitable procedure for estimating stormflow depths on this catchment, since for design purposes, this procedure incorporates an inherent safety factor. It should be reiterated, however, that the latter were performed only on storms with low stormflow.

V1M28:

An examination of Table 6.6 shows that the error function D for all procedures tested on catchment V1M28 is high, with the lowest value being 0,943 (CN15). However, the corresponding values of E exhibit a substantial range, the lowest being -0,123 and the highest 0,966. Similarly, $F_{\rm I}$ values range between 1,086 and 0,006. It may thus be concluded that the major type of error which differentiates the accuracy of these procedures for simulating stormflow is systematic error.

| Table | 6.6 | Error | func | ctions | D, | Ε | and | F, | for | the | stand | iard | SCS | model | and | six |
|-------|-----|-------|-------|--------|----|------|-------|----|-----|------|-------|------|-----|-------|-----|-----|
| | | HAWK | curve | number | pr | 1061 | edure | s | for | cate | hment | VIM: | 28 | | | |

| D | Ε | F. | |
|-------|---|--|--|
| | | F | |
| 0,963 | -0,123 | 1,086 | |
| 0,944 | 0,607 | 0,337 | |
| 0,945 | 0,449 | 0,496 | |
| 0,956 | 0,750 | 0,206 | |
| 0,953 | 0,846 | 0,107 | |
| 0,943 | 0,903 | 0,040 | |
| 0,972 | 0,966 | 0,006 | |
| | 0,963 0,944 0,945 0,956 0,953 0,943 0,972 | 0,963 -0,123 0,944 0,607 0,945 0,449 0,956 0,750 0,953 0,846 0,943 0,903 0,972 0,966 | |

Although the coefficient of determination is 0,963 for the standard SCS procedure, the associated value E(-0,123) is the lowest of all the procedures tested. Furthermore, on examining the scattergram of estimated versus observed stormflow depths for the SCS procedure in Appendix 6, it is once again clear that the adjustment of CN values for antecedent moisture conditions has been excessive since most simulated stormflow depths are zero or close to zero.

The two averaging procedures, CNA1 and CNS2, give rise to very similar values of D, being 0,944 and 0,945 respectively. However, greater under= estimation of stormflow is associated with the procedure CNS2 than that associated with procedure CNA1, this being reflected in the values of E and F, in Table 6.6 and the corresponding scattergrams in Appendix 6.

The error function F_1 in Table 6 improves consistently from procedure. CNM through CN20, as does the error function E. This observation together with an examination of the corresponding scattergrams in Appendix 6 indicates that the systematic underestimation of stormflow decreases with the number of days used to determine antecedent moisture conditions. This finding suggests that moisture losses from the catchment are being underestimated, as was the case for catchment U2M20. Furthermore, the value of the soil-cover comlex CN at AMC-II on catchment V1M28 is a low estimator of CN₁. Either the soil-cover complex CN has been underestimated or catchment moisture conditions are generally higher than those assumed to correspond to AMC-II.

The procedure CN20 simulates stormflow depths very accurately on catchment V1M28, both random and systematic error being negligible (D = 0,972; E = 0,966 and F_1 = 0,006). The error functions for this procedure are not bettered by any of the other five procedures, indicating that this is clearly the most suitable procedure for simulating stormflow depths on catchment V1M28.

V7M03:

The error function for the seven procedures tested on catchment V7M03 are summarised in Table 6.7 and corresponding scattergrams are presented in Appendix 7. An examination of these results yields findings very similar to those described for catchment V1M28.

Table 6.7 Error functions D, E and F, for the standard SCS model and six HAWK curve number procedures for catchment V7M03

| | Error Function | | | | |
|-----------|----------------|--------|-------|--|--|
| Procedure | D | E | F | | |
| SCS | 0,299 | -1,062 | 1,361 | | |
| CNA 1 | 0,078 | -0,857 | 0,935 | | |
| CNS2 | 0,231 | -0,859 | 1,090 | | |
| CN5 | 0,413 | 0,110 | 0,303 | | |
| CN10 | 0,681 | 0,612 | 0,069 | | |
| CN15 | 0,734 | 0,701 | 0,033 | | |
| CN20 | 0,857 | 0,620 | 0,237 | | |
| | | | | | |

The standard SCS procedure simulates stormflow equally as poorly is catche ment V7M03 as it did on catchment V1M28, severe underestimation being apparent in the scattergram of estimated versus observed stormflow depths (Appendix 7). Furthermore, there is evidence that the soll-cover complex CN is a lower estimator of CN₁ while the calculated AET and runoff under= estimate moisture losses from catchment V7M03. Initial underestimation of stormflow by procedure CN5 is consistently reduced with the procedures based on the progressively longer antecedent periods. CN10 and CN15, while procedure CN20 overestimates stormflow depths slightly.

The procedure most suited to simulating stormflow on catchment V7M03 is CN15, having both relatively high D and E values. The two averaging procedures, CNA1 and CNS2, are associated with large random and systematic errors, with the value of D and E in Table 6.7 being very low for both these procedures (D = 0, 232 and E = -0,856).

6.3 Conclusions

A number of procedures for adjusting CN for antecedent moisture conditions, each based on HAWK, have been tested on five catchments in Natal utilising data which may be assumed to be generally available on ungauged catchments. The procedures which were found to be most suitable for each of these catchments are summarised below:

| Catchment | Procedure | | |
|-----------|-----------|--|--|
| W1M16 | CNS2 | | |
| W1M17 | CN5 | | |
| U2M20 | CNIO | | |
| V1M28 | CN20 | | |
| V7M03 | CN15 | | |

While no single procedure was most suited to all the catchments selected in this study, the following should be noted:

- (a) The standard SCS procedure simulated stormflow less accurately than the HAWK procedures tested.
- (b) The two procedures using averaging techniques, viz, CNA1 and CNS2, did not result in more accurate estimates of stormflow than the less

complex procedures except on Catchment W1M16 where CNS2 was the most accurate procedure.

(c) Two sources of systematic error were identified. First, the use of the soil-cover complex CN as a starting CN underestimated the initial CN (CN₁) on the two De Hoek and the Cedara catchments, while overestim mation of stormflow depths on catchment WIM16 may be partially attributed to the overestimation of CN₁ by the soil-cover complex CN. Secondly, the methods for calculating AET and runoff underestimated the interim moisture losses from the catchments. All other things being considered equal, the second source of error resulted in overmise estimates of stormflow.

On the basis of the above findings it may be concluded that no single CN procedure may be conclusively proposed for general application on ungauged catchments in Natal. However, this research has revealed that even with errors inherent in some of these procedures, particularly systematic error, the simulation of stormflow using the Hawkins technique of CN adjustment is more accurate than that by the standard SCS model. Furthermore, areas where further research is required have been highlighted and these are discussed in more detail in the following chapter.

Chapter 7

AN IMPROVED ANTECEDENT MOISTURE PROCEDURE FOR THE SCS MODEL - CONCLUSIONS

In an attempt to improve the antecedent moisture component of the SCS model, three analyses were undertaken. The first analysis was aimed at establishing whether a specific number of antecedent days' rainfall was associated with changes in the potential maximum retention of the selected catchments. The second analysis examined the efficiency of the Hawkins technique of adjusting curve numbers for antecedent moisture conditions given gauged data inputs while the final analysis was concerned with adap= ting the Hawkins procedure to ungauged catchments.

The salient features of the conclusions reached after each of the three analyses may be summarised as follows:

- (a) No single antecedent period of rainfall is found to more highly associated with S (potential maximum retention) on all the catchments tested than any other antecedent period. However, on individual catchments there is evidence that a specific number of days' antece= dent rainfall has a greater association with S, the number of days possibly being a function of the climate, soils and topography of the catchment. Thus the five days' antecedent rainfall, as used in the SCS model, is not necessarily the most suitable antecedent period for estimating catchment moisture status (CMS) on all catchments. Ten to 15 days appears to be a more suitable antecedent period.
- (b) Given gauged data inputs, the Hawkins procedure (HAWK) is shown on two selected catchments to be an effective procedure for adjusting CN values for CMS, thus providing for accurate estimates of stormflow depths. The accuracy of stormflow simulations using HAWK based on gauged data inputs and the optimised initial CN values (CN₁) is vastly superior to that of the standard SCS model on the storms tested.
- (c) The HAWK procedure is successfully adapted for use on ungauged catch= ments. However, there is evidence that the techniques for estimating actual evapotranspiration and runoff/drainage underestimate moisture losses from the catchments considered. Furthermore, accepting a

catchment's soil-cover complex CN as the value for CN₁ intruduces syst tematic errors, particularly when calculating stormflow where the true CN₁ value differs substantially from the soil-cover complex CN. Despite these weaknesses, there is conclusive evidence that on ungauged catchments the simulation of stormflow using the Hawkins procedures is far more accurate than the standard SCS procedure.

In view of the above findings it is clear that future research based on the Hawkins procedure of CN adjustment is warranted. However, more testing is needed on events of a magnitude used in hydrologic designs. More specifically, improved procedures for estimating actual evapotranspiration and runoff/drainage over short periods on ungauged catchments are called for. Furthermore, the determination of a 'most probable' initial CN value requires further attention. While adopting the soil-cover complex CN as the initial CN may be satisfactory in regions where soil moisture is close to that assumed for AMC-II, this practice is likely to be unsuitable at times where soil moisture contents are generally higher or generally lower than this assumed value. Consequently, the regionalisation of 'average' soil moisture conditions may provide a means of adjusting the soil-cover complex CN to be a more representative value of the expected initial CN.

A major strength of the SCS model is that it is a simple method, not requiring a high level of expertise nor sophisticated computing facilities for its application. The modified techniques proposed in this study have attempted to retain this feature of the model. Finally, while the research presented in this Report may be regarded as a pilot study, particularly in the South African context, it has further helped towards focussing atten= tion on the complexity of catchment moisture status and on the importance of incorporating hydrologic processes into simple models such as the SCS model.

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Chapter 8

SIMULATION OF STORMFLOW VOLUMES USING THE R-INDEX METHOD: INTRODUCTION

The R-index method in the form as used in this report was published by Hewlett, Cunningham and Troendle (1977) for estimating stormflow volumes and peak stormflow rates from small forested and wildland catchments in the eastern United States of America (USA). According to the definitions of Jackson and Aron (1971) this is a parametric, deterministic, non-linear model. Hewlett and Moore (1976) state that the variable source area theory of stormflow production provides the basis for this model (cf Section 2.1.1). Conventional procedures for estimating stormflow volumes, such as the SCS model, emphasise the role of soil type, vegetation and land-use on infiltration capacities in a catchment. Hewlett et al (1977), however, contend that the impact of these variables is dependent on how far from the channel they occur and that the responsiveness of a catchment cannot be simply an interpretation of the weighted infiltration capacities. Rather, catchment response is an expression of the nature of the channel network and the dynamic subsurface storage capacities of these parts of the catch= ment having an immediate influence on stormflow (Hewlett et al, 1977).

Stormflow simulation techniques which assume stormflow to be solely a result of overland flow are invalid for small rainstorms and in areas where overland flow is negligible (ie, forests and other well vegetated lands). No method for predicting stormflow and peak discharge from easily obtainable data is very accurate and errors in excess of 100 percent are not unusual (Hewlett and Moore, 1976). The R-index method was intended as an intermediate tool in the range of methods that begins with the most basic (rational formula, Talbot's formula and ends with the complex simulation methods that require much input data. This method is considered suitable for making stormflow estimates from first, second and third order streams using the classification of Horton (1945).

Selection of the R-index method for this investigation was based on a number of considerations. The major reasons were:

- (a) The R-index method is simple to use making it a viable procedure. For stormflow estimates from small catchments in South Africa.
- (b) Most stormflow and runoff models in current use emphasise the infile tration process. This model is based on the variable source area concept which emphasises different characteristics of the catchment.
- (c) The R-index method is a non-linear model and it is widely accepted that stormflow processes are non-linear.
- (d) A central concern of this study is to assess the importance of antece= dent moisture conditions in the modelling of stormflow volumes. The structure of the R-index model permits such an evaluation to be made.
- (e) Although the adaptation of this method for use in South Africa is focussed on throughout the investigation, particular attention is given to the suitability of this method for catchments of the coastal belt of Natal and Zululand. The R-index model was developed in the humid eastern USA and may thus be expected to be suitable for these humid regions of South Africa.
- (f) The authors of the model claim that stormflow estimates in well vege= tated catchments of the eastern USA are more accurate using this method than the SCS curve number method (Hewlett et al, 1977).

An important consideration emphasised by Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977) is that the R-index method was not intended to replace other procedures for estimating stormflow volumes. The method was intended to supplement these procedures where they were found to be inadequate. In working towards the adaptation of this procedure for South African conditions, this study embraces the same philosophy as that adopted by Hewlett et al (1977).

The research procedures used in this investigation were influenced by the availability of suitable data and in many instances were modified in successive studies according the findings of the initial analyses. For example, calibration of the model was initially conducted using parameter values including two decimal places. This was later changed to three decimal places when greater efficiency was achieved in the iterative routines of the optimising procedure.

Following a description of the R-index method and the background to this method, attention is given to the specific objectives of the study. The

results and analyses are not intended to be conclusive for South Africa or any region of the country but rather to be a step in this direction, particularly in developing procedures which may be adopted for testing the method elsewhere in South Africa.

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Chapter 9 THE R-INDEX METHOD

This description of the R-index method is intended to provide an insight into the rationale and objectives behind the development of the procedure. A detailed description of the model is given and finally attention is drawn to the research requirements for testing and adapting this method for stormflow estimates in South Africa.

9.1 Model Development

The R-index method was developed using 468 stormflow events from 11 catch= ments in the eastern USA, the areas of these catchments ranging from $0,23^2$ km to 46 km². Stormflow volume was assumed to be dependent on three factors, namely:

- (a) storm rainfall or input
- (b) antecedent storage or moisture conditions on the catchment at the time of the event and

(c) the inherent or dynamic storage capacity of the catchment.

Eight independent variables were selected to represent the three factors outlined above and the following general model was investigated:

Q = f(P,P₆₀, D, I, S, A, G, R)

where

| Q | = | stormflow depth (mm) |
|-----------------|---|--|
| Р | = | storm rainfall depth (mm) |
| P ₆₀ | = | storm rainfall depth during the most intense hour of the storm (mm $\ensuremath{\mathrm{h}^{-1}}$), |
| D | = | duration of the storm (h), |
| I | Ξ | initial flow rate immediately prior to the rise in the stormflow hydrograph $(1.s^{-1}.km^{-2})$ |
| S | ÷ | seasonal factor based on the time of the year (-) |
| A | = | catchment area (km ²) |
| G | = | gradient from the measuring station to a point on the catch= |
| | | ment divide directly above the origin of the main channel (m \mbox{km}^{-1}) and |

B = mean hydrological response of the catchment (-) calculates from:

$$R = \frac{1}{n} \frac{n}{2} \left(\frac{Q}{P}\right) \qquad (9.1)$$

where

P = storm rainfall $\ge 25,4$ mm and n = number of observations.

A definition diagram showing the relationship between input and output variables is presented in Figure 9.1.

Stormflow (Q) was separated from delayed flow by projecting a line of constant slope of 1,13 mm.day. $^{-1}$ day $^{-1}$; from the beginning of a stream rise to the point where it intersects the recession limb of the hydrograph (Hewlett and Hibbert, 1967). The classification of streamflow into stormflow and delayed flow is an arbitrary decision of the analyst, whose main objective is, or should be, to maintain a consistent criterion for separation over all catchments and hydrographs (Hewlett <u>et al</u>, 1977). In developing the R-index model three additional rules of separation were tested by Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977) which yielded a vector of four successively smaller values for stormflow delivered by each event. These four quantities correlated highly and had similar associations with the independent variables investigated. According to Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977) it seems to matter very little what fixed rule of hydrograph separation is used for catchments smaller than 50 km².

Storm rainfall (P) was taken to include all rain falling up to two hours before the initiation of the storm hydrograph and until the termination of stormflow by the delayed flow separation line. The two-hour advance allows for some clock error between water level and rainfall recorders and also for small aberrations in the computer-determined hydrograph rise (Hewlett, et al, 1977).

Figure 9.1 Definition diagram showing the relationship between input and output variables (After: Hewlett et al, 1977)



Factor analysis of the eight independent variables and one dependent variable defined in the general model revealed four factor complexes in the data, namely, input variables (P, P_{60} , D), existing storage condition (I, S), dynamic storage capacity and output (R, Q) and physiography (A,G). Following numerous trials and transformations of the data, Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977) fitted an equation to the observed stormflows using a Marquardt (1963) non-linear least-squares method. When metricated this equation gives:

$$Q = B_1 R(\frac{P}{25,4})^{\beta 2} [1,0 + (0,0136 I)]^{\beta 3} 25,4....(9.2)$$

where:

Q = stormflow volume (mm)
R = R-index (-)
P = storm rainfall (mm)
I = initial flow rate (ℓ.s.¹ km⁻²) and
β₁₋₃ = regression parameters.

The addition of 1,0 in the term between square brackets prevents an indeterminate Q when I approaches zero. Inclusion of other variables contributed very little to the improvement of the model.

Since increments of predicted stormflow cannot exceed increments of causa= tive rainfall, the constant that $\frac{\delta Q}{\delta P}$ must not exceed 1.0 is placed in Equation 9.2. The equation which best predicted stormflows in the eastern USA is given by Hewlett et al (1977) as:

$$Q = 0,4 \text{ R} \left(\frac{P}{25,4}\right)^{1,5} \left[1,0+(0,0136 \text{ I})^{0,2}\right] \dots (9.3)$$

In this equation, for large values of P, the first derivative of Q with respect to P must not exceed 1.0, that is:

$$\frac{\delta Q}{\delta P} < 1,0 = 0,6 \ R(\frac{P}{25,4})^{0,5} \left[1 + (0,0136 \ I)^{0,25}\right] 25,4 \ \dots \ (9,4)$$

Solving the derivative under this constraint, the value of P above which any further storm rainfall produces an equal amount of stormflow becomes:

$$P = \frac{25,4}{(0,6 \text{ R} [1 + (0,0136)^{0},25]}^{25}} \dots \dots \dots (9.5)$$

Generally, the constraint operates beyond the data range normally experienced (Hewlett et al, 1977).

The relationship between storm rainfall (P), the R-index (R), initial flow rate (I) and stormflow in Equation 9.2 (constrained by Equation 9.4) is illustrated by a family of curves in Figure 9.2.

Figure 9.2 The relationship between storm rainfall and stormflow in the R-index model $(\beta_1=0,4; \beta_2=1,5; \beta_3=0,25)$ for four assumed values of the R-index (R) and three values of the initial



9.2 The Sine-Day Factor

The authors of the R-index method recognised that for the practical application of this method an alternative for the initial flow rate in Equation 9.2 would have to be introduced. Thus Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977) substituted a seasonal variable S for (1 + 0.0136 I) with S being defined as:

$$S = sin (360 (\frac{D}{365}) + 2 (9.6)$$

where

S = sine-day factor and

D = the number of the day counted from November 21 = zero.
The numeral 2 is added to the sine to avoid negative numbers or zeros. Twelve sine functions beginning in sequence on the 21st of each month were tested. November 21 was selected using stepwise linear regression since this index minimised the standard error of Q and P and S (Hewlett <u>et al</u>, 1977). Sine of day values for use in the R-index method in the eastern USA are given in Table 9.1.

Table 9.1 Sine of day values for the eastern USA (Hewlett et al, 1977)

| Day | Nov | Dec | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct. |
|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 1,66 | 2,17 | 2,65 | 2,94 | 2,99 | 2,77 | 2,36 | 1,84 | 1,37 | 1,06 | 1,01 | 1,23 |
| 7 | 1,76 | 2,27 | 2,72 | 2,98 | 2,97 | 2,70 | 2,26 | 1,74 | 1,29 | 1,03 | 1,04 | 1,30 |
| 14 | 1,88 | 2,39 | 2,80 | 2,99 | 2,93 | 2,61 | 2,15 | 1,62 | 1,21 | 1,01 | 1,08 | 1,39 |
| 21 | 2,00 | 2,49 | 2,87 | 3,00 | 2,88 | 2,52 | 2,03 | 1,51 | 1,14 | 1,00 | 1,13 | 1,49 |
| 28 | 2,12 | 2,59 | 2,92 | 2,99 | 2,82 | 2,41 | 1,90 | 1,43 | 1,08 | 1,01 | 1,20 | 1,60 |

The rationale for using the sine-day factor as an antecedent moisture index was, according to Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977), based on the findings of Helvey and Hewlett (1962) who showed that the annual march of both average soil mois= ture and monthly streamflow in the southern Appalachian Mountains generally follows a sine wave. The variable S may thus be regarded as a seasonal correction for R.

9.3 Estimation of the R-index

In recognising that the inherent simplicity of the R-index method is one of its most desirable characteristics, Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977) drew attention to the desirability of mapping the R-index (R) or deriving the index from easily measurable catchment characteristics. A map of the average annual hydrological response for the eastern USA, presented in Figure 9.3, was produced by Woodruff and Hewlett (1970). This annual response index was calculated by expressing the annual stormflow depth as a fraction of the total annual rainfall and then calculating the average response for the map was based on records from 201 catch= ments ranging in size from 5,0km² to 500 km².

Some variation in stormflow response is a function of catchment area (Woodruff and Hewlett, 1970). Stormflows from headland catchments are attenuated downstream and the localisation of rainfall in large catchments also affects the calculated response. Consequently, Woodruff and Hewlett (1970) regressed the annual response ratios (R_A) against catchment areas (A) and established the following equation for area corrected annual response (R_{AC}):

Although the regression coefficient was found to be significant, area accounted for only one percent of the total variation in ${\rm R}_{_{\rm A}}$.

An attempt was made by Woodruff and Hewlett (1970) to relate the average annual response (\overline{R}_{AC}) to physiographical and land-use characteristics of the study catchments. No relationship could be established but these authors noted that variations in \overline{R}_{AC} were closely associated with the geomodecal regions of the eastern USA. Furthermore, no information regarding the soils was considered in this study and since \overline{R}_{AC} is a measure of the inherent storage capacity of a catchment, this would appear to be a serious omission. Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977) found that \overline{R}_{AC} values were approximately half the magnitude of the R-index as calculated for the stormflow model (Equation 9.1).

A hydrological response map of eastern Kentucky was developed by Bryan (1980). This author proposed a corrected response ratio which brought the yearly values (R_A) in line with the catchment's mean annual precipitation as well as correcting for stormflow attenuation caused by larger catch= ments. The corrected response ratio (R_c) was of the form:

 $B_{C} = B_{A} + 0,00027 (A) - 0,00241 (P_{Y} - MAP) (9.8)$ where

 P_{Y} = total precipitation for the year and MAP = mean annual precipitation.





The distribution of stormflow responses $\frac{Q}{P}$ for a catchment is generally characterised by a positive skew which, according to Olszewski (1978), makes it difficult to get a good estimate of the average response (R). Generally, in excess of 100 observations is required for an estimate of R to be within five percent of the 'true' value while 15 to 20 sequential observations would suffice if the data could be normalised (Olszewski, 1978). For catchments in north-eastern Georgia, Olszewski (1978) found that the distribution of stormflow responses could be normalised by substituting $\left(\frac{Q}{P}\right)^{0,5}$ in place of $\frac{Q}{P}$. Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977) used an exponent of 0,667 to normalise the ratio for the catchments they studied in the eastern USA.

While normalising the distribution of the response ratio allowed for an unbiased estimate of the average response, the variable R could no longer be interpreted linearly and directly in terms of response as before. However, Olszewski (1978) concluded that this was unimportant since R was intended as an index and normalised index did not affect the predictive accuracy of the stormflow model.

Mapping the R-index is not possible in many states of the USA let alone in developing and underdeveloped countries. Researchers such as Woodruff and Hewlett (1970), Olszweski (1978) and Bryan (1980) failed to establish any relationship between this index and readily measurable catchment charace teristics. However, none of these were exhaustive or detailed studies and did not give sufficient attention to catchment soils. Hewlett and Moore (1976) succeeded in relating variations in the R-index to the soil, geomore phological and land-use conditions of catchments in the Redlands district of Georgia (Table 9.2).

Table 9.2 R-index values for given land characteristics in the Redlands district of Georgia (Hewlett and Moore, 1976)

| R-Index | Land Characteristics | - |
|---------|---|-----|
| 0,10 | Old forest bluffs and slopes with virgin forest soils | |
| 0,12 | Forested coves near the river; with entrenched channels | |
| 0,14 | Forested uplands near the river; relatively narrow ridges | |
| 0,16 | Forested upland interfluves, wide flat ridges | |
| 0,18 | Average agricultural land; pastures, crops, old fields | |
| 0,20 | Bottomlands, swamplands and beaver pond area | - 1 |
| 0,22 | Actively cultivated or badly abused and gullied land | |

The R-indices given in Table 9.2 are for first order catchments, the basic land unit for stormflow prediction in the R-index method. This contrasts with the SCS model where responses values are determined for individual soil-cover complex units regardless of their position in the catchment.

The concept of average hydrological response is central to the R-index method. From the preceding review the following conclusions may be drawn:

- (a) The R-index can be mapped successfully provided sufficient rainfall and stormflow records (spatial and temporal) are available for the study area.
- (b) Suitable exponential transformations of the hydrological response $\frac{\omega}{P}$ may reduce the number of events required to make an unbiased estimate of the average response (R-index). The use of temporary gauging structures may be viable for determining this index.
- (c) First order catchments have R-indices which generally responded conservatively to large changes in land-use but are quite sensitive to the inherent geological differences in catchments.
- (d) R-indices may be defined according to the soils, geomorphological and land-use conditions of catchments.
- (e) Area adjustments to R-indices are only necessary for catchments with areas greater than 50 ${\rm km}^2.$

9.4 Adapting the R-index Method for South African Conditions

Preliminary studies conducted by Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977) revealed that when field information normally available to planners and managers was used stormflow predictions using the R-index method were considerably more accurate than those using the SCS curve number technique (NEH-4, 1972). However, the authors of the R-index method state that these results could not be interpreted as conclusive superiority of the R-index method for all uses or all regions.

The possibility of using a model such as the R-index method for stormflow simulations in South Africa is attractive because of the relative simpli= city of this method and the promising results obtained in the eastern USA. In testing the R-index method on catchments in South Africa attention needs to be given to establishing:

- (a) the accuracy of the model for stormflow estimates
- (b) the model parameters for different environmental conditions
- (c) a suitable catchment wetness index for use in ungauged catchments
- (d) a procedure for estimating the R-index or a similar index using information usually available to engineers or hydrologists in South Africa and
- (e) the sensitivity of the model to errors in the estimation of parameters or input variables.

The analyses presented in the ensuing chapters are intended to address each of these needs. Availability and suitability of data did, however, influence the scope of each study.

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Chapter 10 SIMULATION OF STORMFLOW VOLUMES FROM SMALL CATCHMENTS IN NATAL

The R-index method was developed for application in humid catchments of the eastern USA (Hewlett <u>et al</u>, 1977). This model may be expected to be suitable for stormflow estimates in humid and possibly sub-humid catchments of South Africa. Both humid and sub-humid catchments with readily available rainfall and stormflow data were chosen for this initial study of the R-index method. The investigation is aimed at evaluating the model for possible use in small catchments (<50 km²) of Natal. By selecting catchments with readily available data greater attention could be given to the adaptation of the method and to the analytical procedures.

10.1 The Problem

Although parts of Natal may be regarded as climatically humid, there are marked differences between the climates of these areas and that of the eastern USA. Rainfall in Natal is distinctly seasonal (summer maximum) compared with the generally uniform distribution throughout the year in the eastern USA (Helvey and Hewlett, 1962). Furthermore, mean annual rainfall in Natal ranges from 600 mm to 1400 mm while the range in the eastern USA is from 900 mm to 1500 m. In order to make this initial evaluation of the R-index method, two specific aims were defined, namely, to:

- (a) calibrate the model, as defined in Equation 9.2, using suitable data inputs from catchments in Natal and
- (b) determine whether a simple substitute could replace the initial flow rate as a measure of antecedent moisture conditions since this variable is not available in ungauged catchments.

From the first aim the accuracy of this method may then be assessed and the model parameters compared with those reported by Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977) for the eastern United States (Equation 9.3). The R-index as defined in Equation 9.1 needs to be estimated for ungauged catchments and thus the determination of this variable for catchments in Natal warrants investigation. However, this aspect of the model is dealt with in Chapter

12 and unless stated otherwise the R-indices used in these analyses were calculated from observed data (Equation 9.1).

10.2 Study Catchments and Data

Six research catchments in Natal which had readily available data were selected for this study, namely, three from Zululand (WiM15, WiM16, WiM17), one from Cedara (U2M20) and two from De Hoek (V1M28, V7M03). Background information relating to these catchments is given in Table 4.1 while their location in South Africa is indicated in Figure 4.1

Rainfall estimates in five of the six catchments were made from single autographic raingauges within or in close proximity to the catchment limits. Rainfall estimates for catchments W1M15 in Zululand were made from three autographic raingauges. The Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977) criteria for hydrograph separation and definition of storm rainfall were adhered to, though the threshold for storm rainfall was reduced from 25,4 mm to 15,0 mm (cf Section 9.1). A lowering of the storm rainfall threshold prevented the exclusion from this study of catchments U2M20, V1M28 and V7M03 due to insufficient stormflow events.

Data for the three Zululand catchments were obtained from Barnes and Hope (1980) while data for the Cedara and De Hoek catchments were drawn from Hope (1979) and from records of the Department of Agricultural Engineering at the University of Natal. The number of events and some characteristics of the stormflow depths for each catchment are contained in Table 10.1, while the raw data are presented in Appendix 8.

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| Region | Catchment Codes | Number of events | Mean storm= flow depth (mm) | Standard devia: tion of storm= flow depths (mm) | Mean storms flow response* ¹ |
|----------|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|---|---|
| | | | | | |
| Zululand | W1M15 | 43 | 5,104 | 5,5850 | 0,122 |
| | W1M16 | 43 | 14,267 | 36,374 | 0,157 |
| | W1M17 | 43 | 16,195 | 35,747 | 0,187 |
| Cedara | U2M20 | 11 | 1,652 | 1,234 | 0,053 |
| De Hoek | V1M28 | 12 | 4,256 | 8,896 | 0,088 |
| | V7M03 | 12 | 2,655 | 2,691 | 0,103 |

Table 10.1: Stormflow characteristics for the study catchments

*¹ Calculated from Equation 9.1 for events with storm rainfall ≥ 15,0 mm

The lack of readily available stormflow data for small catchments in Natal is reflected in Table 10.1 with only a limited number of events being available for the Cedara and De Hoek catchments. In order to undertake this investigation for different hydrological regions it was necessary to include these catchments and thus in examining the results of this study the size of these sample constitutes an important consideration.

10.3 Procedures

10.3.1 Testing the original R-index method

The original R-index method (Equation 9.2) includes initial flow rate as a measure of antecedent moisture conditions. Since the samples of stormflow events in catchments U2M20, V1M28 and V7M03 were small (Table 10.1) and most of the events occurred when the initial flow rate was zero, Equation 9.2 could not be fitted satisfactorily to these individual sets of storm= flow data. In addition to the three Zululand catchments an additional set of data was compiled by combining 11 stormflow events from catchments W1M16, V7M03 and U2M20. Events were selected randomly where a catchment's data set exceeded 11 observations. This data set referred to as TOTAL, was used to derive parameters for a generalised R-index model representing the

Zululand, De Hoek and Cedara regions. TOTAL contained sufficient events with an initial flow rate for the use of Equation 9.2. Furthermore, the generalised model could be tested independently on catchments W1M15, W1M16 and V1M28 which were not included in TOTAL.

A computer programme, INDEX, was developed to calculate stormflow volumes for a given number of events using the R-index method. This programme has two major routines referred to as the 'print' and 'optimisation' routines. The routine was intended to calculate stormflow volumes for a set of events from the required input data and selected parameter values. This routine allows for either initial flow rate or a selection of antecedent precipita= tion indices (API) to be used as the catchment wetness index and calculates the following statistics:

- (a) The coefficient of determination, D (cf Section 4.5, Equation 4.5).
- (b) The coefficient of efficiency, E (cf Section 4.5, Equation 4.6).
- (c) The difference between D and E (F).
- (d) Means of the observed and calculated stormflow.
- (e) Standard deviation and coefficients of variation of the observed and calculated stormflows.
- (f) Standard error of estimate of the regression equation (SE).
- (g) Base constant (a) and regression coefficient (b) from the regression of observed stormflow depths on calculated stormflow depths.

A simplified flow diagram outlining the operation of the print routine is presented in Figure 10.1. Although stormflow volumes are dealt with in this study, the programme INDEX provides for either stormflow peaks or volumes. This programme can be used interactively from a computer terminal allowing alterations to be made to the model parameters without re-execution of the entire programme (Figure 10.1).

The optimisation routine includes all the features of the print routine but also provides for the optimisation of the model parameters according to a specified objective function (D, E or SE). Optimisation is based on an iterative procedure whereby each combination of parameter values is tested with the chosen objective function being compared with the highest value of the preceding trials. Upper and lower limits for each parameter need to be



Figure 10.1 Simplified flow mingrum of the print routine in INDEX





set as well as the associated iterative intervals. A schematic presentation of the optimisation routine is given in Figure 10.2. A more detailed flow diagram of the structure of INDEX is given in Appendix 9 along with the computer programme, an explanation of how to use the programme and an example of the output.

In order to test the original R-index method (which included initial flow rate as the catchment wetness index) the parameters of the model were optimised using the programme INDEX and data from the three Zululand catchments and TOTAL. For comparative purposes stormflow were also simulated using the model with parameters reported by Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977) for the eastern USA (cf Section 9.1, Equation 9.3). All optimisation were based on the objective function E since high values of E were generally associated with high values of D although the reverse was not true.

10.3.2 An alternative index for antecedent moisture conditions

The authors of the R-index method recognised that for the practical application of this method an alternative for the initial flow rate in Equation 9.2 would have to be introduced. Thus, Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977) substituted a seasonal variable S (sine-day factor) for (1 + 0.0136 I) in Equation 9.2 (cf Section 9.1). The rationale for using the sine-day factor as an antecedent moisture index was based on the observation that the annual march of both average soil moisture and monthly streamflow in the southern Appalachian mountains generally follow a sine wave (Helvey and Hewlett, 1962). However, in Natal the distribution of rainfall throughout the year is not as uniform as it is in the southern Appalachians and the changes in soil moisture are more likely to be associated with the sequence of rainfall events than with the annual flux of solar radiation which follows a sine wave. Such expectations have been substantiated by Hope and Schulze (1979) in a study of soil moisture changes within a catchment at Cedara.

In view of the considerations outlined above antecedent rainfall was selected as a possible surrogate for the initial flow rate in the R-index method. Hawkins (1961) reported that for the Missouri Gulch Watershed the one day antecedent rainfall showed the greatest association with stormflow volumes when compared with antecedent rainfall totals for other periods. The five day total antecedent rainfall was found by Reich (1971) to be a suitable index of catchment moisture status for calculating stormflow volumes from small catchments in Pennsylvania. Following these observations and the results of the analyses for the SCS model presented in Chapters 5 and 6 it was concluded that the number of days antecedent rain= fall optimally associated with stormflow volumes is likely to vary from region to region along with variations in catchment characteristics and climate.

Thus, in this study of the R-index method three periods of total antecedent rainfall were tested, namely, the total five day antecedent rainfall (AP5), total 10 day antecedent rainfall (AP10) and total 15 day antecedent rain= fall (AP15). Antecedent rainfall is expressed as a total for the period under consideration, the units of measurement being 10^{-2} m. This total was substituted for 0,0136 I in Equation 9.1 which becomes:

$$Q = \beta_1 R(\frac{P}{25,4})^{\beta_2} 1, 0 + (APn)^{\beta_3} 25, 4 \dots (10.1)$$

where

APn =

the total depth of rainfall for the antecedent period of n days (10⁻²m)

For each of the selected catchments the parameters for the R-index model were optimised using the three antecedent moisture indices in place of the initial flow rate and the index providing the most accurate stormflow estimates could thus be identified. Furthermore, for the three Zululand catchments and TOTAL the accuracy of the R-index model using antecedent rainfall could be compared with the accuracy of the original model in which initial flow rate was used as the antecedent moisture variable.

10.4 Results and Discussion

10.4.1 Testing the original R-index method

The results of analyses carried out using the R-index method with initial flow rate as the antecedent moisture variable are summarised in Table 10.2.

| Table 10.2 | Results of stormflo | w simulations | using the | Griginal | 8-ludex |
|------------|---------------------|---------------|-----------|----------|---------|
| | method * | | | | |

| | | Catchment | Param | leters | | Objecti | ve Funct | lons | |
|-----|-------------|-------------|-------|--------|------|---------|------------|------------|-------|
| Ana | lysis | or Data Set | B | β2 | 83 | D 1 | E <u>a</u> | <u>a</u> b | |
| (a) | Optimised | W1M15 | 0,38 | 1,54 | 0,75 | 0,789 | 0,783 | -0,224 | 1,101 |
| | parameters | W1M16 | 0,32 | 1,63 | 0,63 | 0,971 | 0,971 | -0,349 | 1,045 |
| | | W1M17 | 0,34 | 1,62 | 0,42 | 0,994 | 0,994 | -1,653 | 1,074 |
| | | TOTAL | 0,47 | 1,40 | 0,30 | 0,988 | 0,987 | -1,047 | 1,074 |
| (b) | Independent | W1M15 | 0,47 | 1,40 | 0,30 | 0,757 | 0,665 | 0,223 | 0,843 |
| | tests using | W1M17 | 0,47 | 1,40 | 0,30 | 0,985 | 0,954 | 1,230 | 0,926 |
| | parameters | V 1M28 | 0,47 | 1,40 | 0,30 | 0,867 | 0,438 | 0,889 | 0,389 |
| | optimised | | | | | | | | |
| | for TOTAL | | | | | | | | |
| (c) | Tests using | W1M15 | 0,40 | 1,50 | 0,25 | 0,747 | 0,631 | 0,132 | 0,783 |
| | parameters | W1M16 | 0,40 | 1,50 | 0,25 | 0,945 | 0,870 | 1,702 | 0,760 |
| | for the | W1M17 | 0,40 | 1,50 | 0,25 | 0,988 | 0,984 | 0,292 | 0,971 |
| | eastern | TOTAL | 0,40 | 1,50 | 0,25 | 0,988 | 0,984 | -1,439 | 1,123 |
| | United Stat | es. | | | | | | | |

* Initial flow rate used to represent antecedent moisture conditions

Except for the data set TOTAL, inter-catchment variability in optimised model parameters is limited (Table 10.2a). The parameters β_1 and β_2 for the three Zululand catchments are similar to the values reported by Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977) for the eastern United States ($\beta_1 = 0.4$ and $\beta_2 = 1.5$). However, β_3 values for Zululand catchments were markedly higher than the corresponding parameter value for the eastern United States ($\beta_3 = 0.25$). Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977) do, however, point out that β_3 is the least stable model parameter. It is of interest to note that β_1 and β_2 are similar for the eastern United States and Zululand. It was also observed that storms flows may be simulated accurately by the model in the three Zululand catchements, the values of D and E all being greater than 0.783 (Table 10.2a). Furthermore, systematic inaccuracies are limited with the values of D and E being very similar for each data set while <u>a</u> and <u>b</u> do not deviate substantially from zero and one respectively.

The simulation of stormflows for catchments WIM15, WIM17 and VIM28 using the R-index method calibrated for the data set TOTAL resulted in systematic inaccuracies for each catchment with the values of E being lower than the associated values of D in Table 10.2b. While losses in accuracy for catchments WIM15 and WIM17 were minimal when compared with the objective functions for the optimised model parameters (Table 10.2a), stormflow simulations for catchment V1M28 exhibited substantial systematic inaccuracies with D = 0,867 and E = 0,438. Although not presented, an examination of the scattergram of observed versus calculated stormflows revealed that observed values less than 2,0 mm were severely underestimated. This syste= matic error was confirmed by the regression of observed stormflow on calculated stormflow which produced a regression coefficient of 0,389 and base constant of 0,889.

Since most of the stormflow events in catchment V1M28 were not preceded by an initial flow rate (I), this variable made very little contribution to the model simulations of stormflow, storm rainfall (P) being the major source of variability of stormflow estimates under these conditions. Thus, it may be expected that errors in simulating stormflows for catchment V1M28 could be reduced by increasing the value of β_2 associated with P while retaining the values of β_1 and β_3 . By increasing β_2 from 1,40 and 2,48 the values of D and E rose from 0,867 to 0,960 and from 0,438 to 0,957 respectively, thus confirming the hypothesis that the variability of stormflow simulations in catchment V1M28 were little affected by the initial flow rate component of the model.

The use of parameters derived from the eastern USA in place of optimised parameters gave rise to increased random and systematic errors for stormflow simulations in the three Zululand catchments and for the data set TOTAL (Table 10.2c). A comparison of D, E, <u>a</u> and <u>b</u> values in Table 10.2c with those of Table 10.2a reveals that there were greater increases in systematic errors than random errors. However, considering the regional differences between Natal and the eastern USA these results are considered to be understandable. Considering the data set TOTAL in Table 10.2c, the lumb in model accuracy resulting from the use of parameters reported by Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977) was minimal, the value of E being reduced from 0.987 to 0.984 and the value of D being unchanged. This finding may be attributed to the overall similarity in optimised parameters for TOTAL and the parameters used by Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977). While the optimised parameters β_1 and β_2 for catchment WIM15 ($\beta_1 = 0.38$; $\beta_2 = 1.54$) were very close to those given by Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977), the β_3 values associated with the initial flow rate differed substantially ($\beta_3 = 0.75$) which accounts for the greater loss in accuracy for this catchment (Table 10.2c). It would thus appear that general similarity in parameter values may result in more accurate stormflow simulations than exact estimates of two parameters and a substantial deviation in the third. The sensitivity of the model to changes in the parameter values is given detailed attention in Chapter 14.

The R-indices used for stormflow calculations in these analyses were based on measured stormflow and storm rainfall data (Equation 9.1). However, only 43 events with storm rainfalls as low as 15,0 mm were included compared with the limit of 25,4 mm adopted by Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977). These calculated values for the three Zululand catchments may therefore not have been completely compatible with model parameters developed for eastern USA. By using estimates of the R-index from catchment characteristics as described by Hewlett and Moore (1976) this problem could be avoided (cf Section 9.3). According to the method of Hewlett and Moore (1976) the index value for the three Zululand catchments would be 0,18. Substituting this value of the calculated R-index resulted in better stormflow estimates for two of the three catchments (Table 10.3).

By substituting R-indices tabulated by Hewlett and Moore (1976) for calculated values in the R-index model (parameters for eastern USA) the values of E in Table 10.3 reflected improved stormflow simulations in catchment W1M15 and W1M16 while in catchment W1M17 the model was less accurate with the value of E decreasing from 0,971 to 0,961. The reduction in model accuracy for catchment W1M17 was not marked, using either approach the systematic errors as reflected in the value \underline{a} and \underline{b} were not substantial (Table 10.3).

Table 10.3 Results of stormflow simulations using the original R-index method and parameters for the eastern USA based on

(a) the Hewlett and Moore (1976) R-index values and

(b) calculated R-index values

| Catchment or | Parame | ters | | Objective Functions | | | | | |
|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------------|-------|----------|----------|--|--|
| Data <u>Set</u> | B ₁ | β ₂ | ⁸ 3 | D | E | <u>a</u> | <u>b</u> | | |
| W1M15(a) | 0,40 | 1,50 | 0,25 | 0,747 | 0,718 | 0,194 | 1,155 | | |
| (Б) | 0,40 | 1,50 | 0,25 | 0,747 | 0,631 | 0,132 | 0,783 | | |
| W1M16(a) | 0,40 | 1,50 | 0,25 | 0,945 | 0,917 | 1,945 | 0,872 | | |
| (ь) | 0,40 | 1,50 | 0,25 | 0,945 | 0,870 | 1,702 | 0,760 | | |
| W1M17(a) | 0,40 | 1,50 | 0,25 | 0,987 | 0,961 | 0,262 | 0,935 | | |
| (b) | 0,40 | 1,50 | 0,25 | 0,987 | 0,971 | 0,272 | 0,971 | | |

Based on the findings of these analyses, it may be concluded that the original R-index method is suitable for stormflow simulations in Zululand. Stormflow producing mechanisms in this region and the eastern USA appear to be similar. It is therefore not surprising that the optimised model parameters for the three Zululand catchments are similar to those for the eastern USA. Furthermore, adopting the values reported by Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977) did not give rise to substantial errors in stormflow simulations in the Zululand catchments.

10.4.2 An alternative for initial flow rate

The optimisation of the R-index model using antecedent rainfall totals over five days (AP5), 10 days (AP10) and 15 days (AP15) in place of the initial flow rate resulted in markedly different parameter values for the different antecedent periods and between different data sets for the same antecedent period (Table 10.4). An examination of the objective functions in Table 10.4 reveals a range in values from D = 0,995 and E = 0,995 for catchment W1M16 (AP5) to D = 0,324 and E = 0,322 for catchment V7M03 (AP5). Using the total antecedent rainfall over five days (AP5) resulted in the most accurate stormflow simulations on four catchments, namely, W1M15, W1M16, U2M20 and V1M28. The procedure AP10 gave the best results in catchment

OF:

V7M03 while AP15 was the most accurate procedure in catchment W1M17 and for the data set TOTAL.

| Table 10.4 | Results of model | calibrations using selected | periods of |
|------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|------------|
| | antecedent rainfal | l in the R-index method | |

| Catchment | Period of Antecedent Rainfall | Paran | neters | | Obj | ective H | Function | 5 |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------|----------|----------|-------|
| or Data Set | | в ₁ | β ₂ | β ₃ | D | E | a | ø |
| | | | | | | | | |
| W1M15 | AP5 | 0,62 | 1,90 | 0,99 | 0,752 | 0,752 | -0,416 | 1,071 |
| | AP10 | 0,39 | 2,01 | 0,34 | 00,719 | 0,714 | -4,555 | 1,037 |
| | AP 15 | 0,41 | 1,89 | 0,33 | 0,718 | 0,717 | -0,281 | 1,025 |
| W1M16 | AP5 | 0,39 | 1,72 | 0,36 | 0,995 | 0,995 | -0,939 | 1,065 |
| | AP10 | 0,20 | 2,00 | 0,01 | 0,989 | 0,988 | -2,065 | 1.077 |
| | AP15 | 0,10 | 2,13 | 0,35 | 0,978 | 0,973 | -3,240 | 1,050 |
| W1M17 | AP5 | 0,40 | 1,62 | 0,01 | 0,974 | 0,0974 | -0,590 | 1,070 |
| | AP10 | 0,32 | 1,71 | 0,01 | 0,976 | 0,976 | -1,161 | 1,069 |
| | AP15 | 0,27 | 1,58 | 0,23 | 0,990 | 0,990 | -1,099 | 1,079 |
| U2M20 | AP5 | 0,18 | 3,08 | 1,54 | 0,738 | 0,738 | -0,612 | 1,371 |
| | AP10 | 0,20 | 1,65 | 0,98 | 0,512 | 0,512 | -0,133 | 1,086 |
| | AP15 | 0,08 | 1,97 | 1,30 | 0,614 | 0,599 | -0,281 | 1,212 |
| V 1M28 | AP5 | 0,31 | 2,76 | 1,19 | 0,983 | 0,982 | -0,587 | 1,080 |
| | AP10 | 0,15 | 3,52 | 0,42 | 0,975 | 0,974 | -0,529 | 1,054 |
| | AP15 | 0,16 | 3,76 | 0.08 | 0,978 | 0,976 | -0,294 | 0,983 |
| V7M03 | AP5 | 0,72 | 2,44 | 0,15 | 0,324 | 0,322 | 0,858 | 0,647 |
| | AP10 | 0.31 | 1,46 | 1,08 | 0,663 | 0,661 | -0,040 | 1,043 |
| | AP15 | 0,15 | 1.64 | 1.31 | 0,650 | 0,650 | -0,096 | 1,031 |
| TOTAL | AP5 | 0,21 | 2,02 | 0,68 | 0,987 | 0,984 | -1,515 | 1,081 |
| | AP10 | 0.13 | 2,17 | 0.01 | 0,963 | 0,951 | -2,128 | 1.040 |
| | AP15 | 0,34 | 1,45 | 0,18 | 0,988 | 0,987 | -0,999 | 1,081 |

A comparison of the objective function values for the best antecedent rainfall procedure (Table 10.4) with those values obtained using initial flow rate (Table 10.2a) for the three Zululand catchments and the data set TOTAL suggests that very little accuracy, if any, would be lost in using these antecedent rainfall procedures. the accuracy of stormflow simulations actually improved by using APS for catchment WIM16 and did not change by using AP15 for the data set TOTAL. However, an important consideration is the loss of accuracy which may occur if the wrong antecedent rainfall period were to be used for a catchment. In two catchments there are substantial inaccuracies associated with the least suitable procedure, namely, catchment U2M20 and AP10 and catchment V7M03 with AP5.

A suitable substitute for the initial flow rate should ideally not give rise to substantial inaccuracies in stormflow simulations in any particular region or catchment. In examining the results presented in Table 10.4 it may be concluded that the antecedent rainfall totalled over 15 days (AP15) was the most suitable overall antecedent moisture procedure for producing good calibrations. A notable finding was that in no single catchment did the use of AP15 result in large random or systematic errors, the lowest values for D and E being 0,614 and 0,599 respectively for catchment 02M20 while the highest values for D and E in this catchment were both 0,738 (AP5). The AP15 was therefore applied in ungauged catchments of Natal, and scattergrams of observed and estimated stormflows for the six catchments and TOTAL are presented in Figure 10.3

In examining the scattergrams presented in Figure 10.3 the following general observations may be made:

- (a) The R-index method simulated large stormflows accurately in all the catchments and for TOTAL. Large data values affect the coefficient of efficiency (E) disproportionately and the use of logarithmic values in the calculation of E may have given different results. However, the accurate estimation of large events is considered to be desirable since it is these events which are generally of concern to engineers and planners.
- (b) In the three Zululand catchments (WIM15, WIM16, WIM17) the increase in random errors follows the increase in catchment size, successively more points being outside of the 1:2 and 2:1 lines for catchments WIM15, WIM16 and WIM17 (areas: 13,65²; 3,22 km²; 0,67²km).









Figure 10.3 (continued)



- (c) For events up to 20 mm of observed stormflow there is consistent underestimation in calculated stormflows for catchment WIM16 with most of the points scattering around the 1:2 lines.
- (d) The R-index method was particularly successful in stormflow simular tions in catchment W1M17, with most of the points clustering around the line of perfect agreement.
- (e) Stormflow simulations in the three sub-humid catchments (U2M20, V1M28 and V7M03) do not exhibit consistent over or underestimation in calculated stormflow depths. Errors are generally random with points falling close to or outside of the 1:2 and 2:1 lines in the scatter= grams for each catchment.
- (f) Most of the points in the scattergram for TOTAL are contained within the 1:2 and 2:1 lines. For events in excess of 8 mm of observed stormflow all the points in the scattergram were within these two lines.

Summated antecedent rainfall has been shown to be a suitable catchment wetness index for stormflow estimates in selected catchments of Natal using the R-index method. This index does not, however, take evapotranspirational losses into account. In some areas of Natal pan evaporation data is readily available and may be incorporated into catchment wetness indices. An adjusted antecedent rainfall index was calculated for stormflow events in the three Zululand catchments by subtracting daily A-pan evaporation depths (10^{-2} m) from the cumulative antecedent rainfall totals. The residual value had a lower limit of zero. Indices were calculated for the three antecedent periods, namely, five, 10 and 15 days. The R-index method was recalibrated using these indices in place of the antecedent rainfall totals using summated antecedent rainfall (from Table 10.5 along with the results using summated antecedent rainfall (from Table 10.4).

The inclusion of A-pan evaporation in the catchment wetness index did not improve stormflow calculations in any of the catchments regardless of the antecedent period used (Table 10.5). Parameter values and the values of D and E were similar for both sets of stormflow simulations. The nature of the systematic inaccuracies did alter by including A-pan evaporation losses in the catchment wetness index as may be gleaned by comparing the values of a and b for each pair of simulation results in Table 10.5. On the basis of these results it may be concluded that the inclusion of A-pan evaporation in the catchment wetness index for this model is not justified. However, this conclusion needs further testing.

Table 10.5 Results of stormflow simulations using A-pan adjusted catchment wetness indices (a) and summated antecedent rain= fall (b) for selected periods in the R-index method

| Catchment | Antecedent | Para | meters | | Objective Functions | | | | |
|----------------|------------------|----------------|--------|----------------|---------------------|-------|--------|-------|--|
| or Data Set | Period (Days) | β ₁ | β2 | ß ₃ | D | E | 1.01 | b | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| W1M15(a) | 5 | 0,60 | 1,93 | 1,14 | 0,746 | 0,745 | 0,751 | 0,709 | |
| | 10 | 0,40 | 1,93 | 0,33 | 0,714 | 0,712 | -0,040 | 0,700 | |
| | 15 | 0,40 | 1,92 | 0,34 | 0,708 | 0,707 | 0,953 | 0,681 | |
| W1M15(Ъ) | 5 | 0,62 | 1,90 | 0,99 | 0,752 | 0,752 | -0,416 | 1,071 | |
| | 10 | 0,39 | 2,01 | 0,34 | 0,719 | 0,714 | -0,455 | 1,037 | |
| | 15 | 0,41 | 1,89 | 0,33 | 0,718 | 0,717 | -0,281 | 1,025 | |
| WIM16(a) | 5 | 0,40 | 1,71 | 0,37 | 0,995 | 0,995 | 1,447 | 0,930 | |
| | 10 | 0,20 | 2,00 | 0,01 | 0,990 | 0,988 | 0,099 | 0,921 | |
| | 15 | 0,10 | 2,14 | 0,33 | 0,979 | 0,974 | -1,440 | 0,927 | |
| W1M16(b) | 5 | 0,39 | 1,72 | 0,36 | 0,995 | 0,995 | -0,939 | 1,065 | |
| | 10 | 0,20 | 2,00 | 0,01 | 0,989 | 0,988 | -2,065 | 1,077 | |
| | 15 | 0,10 | 2,13 | 0,35 | 0,978 | 0,973 | -3,240 | 1,050 | |
| W1M17(a) | 5 | 0,40 | 1,60 | 0,04 | 0,972 | 0,971 | 1,097 | 0,934 | |
| | 10 | 0,30 | 1,74 | 0,01 | 0,976 | 0,976 | 1,000 | 0,909 | |
| | 15 | 0,20 | 1,70 | 0,24 | 0,991 | 0,991 | 0,547 | 0,914 | |
| W1M17(b) | 5 | 0,40 | 1,62 | 0,01 | 0,974 | 0,974 | -0,590 | 1,070 | |
| | 10 | 0,32 | 1,71 | 0,01 | 0,976 | 0,976 | -1,161 | 1,069 | |
| | 15 | 0,27 | 1,58 | 0,23 | 0,990 | 0,990 | -1,099 | 1,079 | |

10.5 Conclusions

Conclusions from the discussion of results may be summarised as follows:

(a) The R-index method, using initial flow rate as an input for antecedent moisture conditions, was able to be accurately calibrated for the selected catchments in Natal.

- (b) General similarity in parameter values may result in more accurate stormflow simulations than exact estimates of two parameters and a substantial deviation in the third.
- (c) The possibility of similarity stormflow producing mechanisms operating in the eastern United States and Zululand may be a reason for similar model parameters having been generated for the two regions.
- (d) In catchments where the streams are non-perennial or intermittent, the initial flow rate is an unsuitable variable for representing antecedent moisture conditions since many stormflow events are preceded by zero flow.
- (e) Antecedent rainfall is a good substitute for the initial flow rate as a measure of catchment moisture status and in some cases is as good or better than the initial flow rate for stormflow prediction.
- (f) The total antecedent rainfall over fifteen days appears to be the most suitable index of catchment moisture status for incorporating in the R-index method for stormflow estimates in Natal.
- (g) Including A-pan evaporation in the catchment wetness index index requires additional calculations without improving the accuracy of the R-index method on calibration.
- (h) Proper verification simulation need still to be undertaken with this method.

A major requirement for all stormflow modelling in Natal is the testing of models under the variety of environmental conditions which are found in this region. However, only a limited number of small catchments are suitable for such studies. Thus, future research may well be oriented towards the use of temporary gauging structures to regionalise the para= meters of the R-index method.

The results presented in this study have indicated that with further research the R-index method could be a viable and accurate procedure for calculating stormflow volumes from small catchments in Natal. Attention needs, however, to be given to testing the method under semi-arid conditions since much of South Africa may be regarded as semi-arid. Further= more, the model was not intended for use in semi-arid catchments and such a study could help to establish whether the model has environmental limita= tions. The problem of testing the R-index method in semi-arid catchments is addressed in the following chapter.

Chapter 11

SIMULATION OF STORMFLOW VOLUMES IN SMALL SEMI-ARID CATCHMENTS

Three small semi-arid catchments which are monitored for research purposes were selected for this investigation. The principle objective of this study is to calibrate the R-index model using observed stormflow data from these catchments and to assess the accuracy of the method under physical and environmental conditions which are markedly different to those where the model has been shown to be a good simulator of stormflow volumes (eg, eastern USA and Natal).

The nature of the data obtained for this study necessitated the adoption of different analytical and research procedures to those used for evaluating the model in catchments of Natal.

11.1 Study Catchments and Data

In an analysis of the hydrograph characteristics from three semi-arid research catchments near Grahamstown, South Africa, Murray and Görgens (1981) presented data for a total of 68 stormflow events which included <u>inter alia</u>, stormflow depths, storm rainfall depths, antecedent baseflow and antecedent rainfall totals. This study of the R-index method is based on the information tabulated by Murray and Görgens (1981). The three catchments are referred to as I, II and III and have areas of 76 km², 10 km² and 24 km² respectively (Figure 11.1). The major physical characteris= tics of the region are summarised in Table 11.1.

Murray and Görgens (1981) adopted the same technique for separating storm= flow from baseflow as that described by Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977) while antecedent baseflow was taken as the stream discharge at the onset of the rising limb of the storm hydrograph. Storm rainfall was distinguished from antecedent rainfall according to the procedure outlined by Hewlett, Fortson and Cunningham (1977), whereby the modal value of time between peak rain= fall intensity and peak runoff rate for all events in each catchment is subtracted from the time when stormflow begins. Storm rainfall is taken to

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| Characteristic | Descript | ion | | | Source |
|--------------------------|----------|--------------|-----------|----------------|----------------|
| Mean Annual | | | | | Midgley and |
| Precipitation | ± 420 π | uro. | | | Pitman (1969) |
| Mean Annual | + 7,5 % | of Mea | n Annual | | Murray and |
| Runoff | Precipit | ation | | | Görgens (1981) |
| Mean Annual Pan Evapora: | - | | | | |
| tion (American A Class) | 1 430 mm | 1 | | Roberts (1978) | |
| Vegetation | Tall sub | -succul | ent wood] | land | Roberts (1978) |
| | thinning | to low | | | |
| | scrub on | the fl | | | |
| | Uniform | in type | | | |
| | underlai | n by sh | | | |
| | sandston | ie and o | | | |
| | quartzit | es | | | |
| Soils | Shallow | Jolly (1980) | | | |
| | tops and | valley | | | |
| | with dee | per col | p . | | |
| | in the v | alley b | ottoms | | |
| Slopes (percent of | | | | | Adapted from |
| catchment area) | Catch= | Slope | (%) | | Roberts (1978) |
| | ment | 0-20 | 20-40 | 40 | |
| | I | 69 | 19 | 12 | |
| | II | 52 | 29 | 19 | |
| | III | 79 | 13 | 8 | |

be the accumulated rainfall depth between this time and the termination of the storm hydrograph by the stormflow separation line. According to Murray and Görgens (1981) this procedure allows for the effects of both the response lag phenomena in a catchment and possible clock errors in the raw data.

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Figure 11.1 The three selected semi-arid catchments (After: Murray and Görgens, 1981.)



Antecedent rainfall totals for one, seven and 10 day periods were tabulated by Murray and Görgens (1981) for each stormflow event. Daily rainfall records were used for the seven and 10 day totals while the one day ante= cedent rainfall was taken to be the rainfall occurring in the 24 hour period preceding the onset of the storm rainfall. The 68 stormflow events were collected over a period of four years, 1976 to 1979. This record is dominated by two events of extreme magnitude in July and August 1979 as may be seen by comparing the stormflow depths of these two events with the next highest and median stormflow depths in each catchment (Table 11.2).

Table 11.2 Stormflow depths for the two extreme events of July and August 1979 and the next highest and median stormflow depths for each catchment

| | Stormflow De | Stormflow Depth (mm) | | | | | | | | |
|-----------|--------------|----------------------|--------------|--------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Catchment | July 1979 | August 1979 | Next Hignest | Median | | | | | | |
| I | 24,615 | 36,054 | 5,819 | 0,051 | | | | | | |
| II | 23,610 | 21,287 | 1,458 | 0,068 | | | | | | |
| III | 14,774 | 14,650 | 1,650 | 0,007 | | | | | | |

In attempting to model stormflow volumes in a catchment small events pose a particular problem. Inaccuracies in the measurement process are more pronounced for such events as are perturbations in the stormflow producing mechanisms particular individual events. To ensure that the major mechanisms controlling stormflow production in a catchment were represented in the R-index method, Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977) excluded events where storm rainfall was less than 25,4 mm while in testing this model in catchments of Natal a threshold of 15,0 mm was imposed on the selection of stormflow events. The data presented by Murray and Görgens (1981) for the three semi-arid catchments included all events since the exclusion of any events would have resulted in too few observations in each catchment for meaningful analyses. In order to evaluate the effects of the two extremely large events of July and August 1979 and very small events (P < 15,0 mm) on the calibration and accuracy of the R-index method, the data were arranged into seven individual sets for this study, viz:

- (a) Three individual data sets were established, one for each catchment, containing all the events tabulated by Murray and Görgens (1981).
- (b) All the events from each catchment were pooled to constitute a single data set, POOL 1.
- (c) The two extreme events of July and August 1979 were removed from POOL
 1 (six observations), this data set being referred to as POOL 2.
- (d) Stormflow events associated with less than 15,0 mm of storm rainfall were removed from POOL 1 to constitute the data set POOL 3.
- (e) The final pooled data set, POOL 4, excluded both the two extreme events and the small events (P < 15,0 mm).</p>

Some characteristics of the storm rainfalls and stormflow depths of each data set are presented in Table 11.3 and data for each catchment are given in Appendix 10.

Table 11.3 Mean (\bar{x}) , standard deviation (s), coefficient of variation (CV) and the number of events (N) for each data set

| Catchment/ | Storm Ra | infall | | Storm | | N | |
|------------|----------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----|
| Data Set | x(mm) | S(mm) | CV(%) | x(mm) | s(mm) | CV(%) | |
| I | 29,980 | 31,17 | 104,0 | 3,631 | 9,440 | 26,0 | 20 |
| II | 23,545 | 23,774 | 101,0 | 1,68 | 5,410 | 324,3 | 33 |
| III | 25,680 | 32,382 | 126,1 | 2,456 | 5,169 | 210,5 | 15 |
| POOL 1 | 25,909 | 27,789 | 107,3 | 2,419 | 6,699 | 276,9 | 68 |
| POOL 2 | 18,061 | 10,586 | 58,6 | 0,476 | 1,181 | 248,1 | 62 |
| POOL 3 | 37,823 | 31,025 | 82,0 | 4,070 | 8,346 | 205,1 | 40 |
| POOL 4 | 25,615 | 8,030 | 31,3 | 0,843 | 1,521 | 180,4 | 34 |

11.2 Aims and Procedures

11.2.1 Aims

While the broad aim of this study is to calibrate the R-index method on data from three semi-arid catchments and to assess the performance of this technique for stormflow simulations under these conditions, three specific aims may be identified, namely, to:

- (a) Calibrate the R-index method on the three catchments using antecedent baseflow, the one, seven and 10 day antecedent rainfalls as alterna= tive catchment wetness indices in Equation 9.2 and Equation 10.1 and to determine which of these indices provides the best estimates of stormflow volumes.
- (b) Establish general model parameters for the region by repeating the analysis outlined in (a) above using pooled data from the three catch= ments. The effects of the two extreme events of July and August 1979 and very small events the model versatility are also investigated.
- (c) Assess the relative contributions of storm rainfall and the catchment

wetness index in accounting for variations in stormflow volumes doing the R-index method.

Table 11.4 Results of stormflow simulations for the three study catchments using selected catchment wetness indices in the R-index method

| Catchment | Catchment Wetness Index | Parameters | | | Objective Functions | | | |
|-----------|-------------------------------|----------------|----------------|-------|---------------------|-------------|----------|-------|
| | | ß ₁ | 8 ₂ | ß | D | E | <u>a</u> | b |
| | | | 110.00 | | | 1107 (2020) | | |
| I | BF | 1,136 | 1,833 | 0,154 | 0,891 | 0,885 | 0,695 | 0,925 |
| | AP1 | 1,300 | 1,881 | 0,000 | 0,845 | 0,843 | 0,337 | 0,927 |
| | AP7 | 0,760 | 1,780 | 0,001 | 0,849 | 0,844 | 0,559 | 0,923 |
| | AP10 | 0,760 | 1,780 | 0,001 | 0,849 | 0,844 | 0,560 | 0,923 |
| II | BF | 1,207 | 2,144 | 0,001 | 0,976 | 0,972 | 0,372 | 0,955 |
| | AP1 | 1,176 | 1,763 | 0,001 | 0,862 | 0,855 | 0,367 | 0,951 |
| | AP7 | 1,138 | 1,780 | 0,001 | 0,857 | 0,848 | 0,399 | 0,952 |
| | AP10 | 1,083 | 1,814 | 0,001 | 0,855 | 0,848 | 0,362 | 0,951 |
| III | BF | 1,908 | 1,646 | 0,001 | 0,966 | 0,962 | 0,515 | 0,896 |
| | AP1 | 1,451 | 1,469 | 0,000 | 0,949 | 0,946 | 0,432 | 0894 |
| | AP7 | 1,011 | 1,573 | 0,225 | 0,973 | 0,972 | 0,404 | 0,896 |
| | APIO | 0,837 | 1,628 | 0,336 | 0,974 | 0,972 | 0,403 | 0,896 |
| | | | | | | | | |

11.2.2 Procedures

Optimisation of model parameters was based on the coefficient of efficiency (E) using the programme INDEX (cf Section 10.3.1). The assessment of random and systematic errors in simulated stormflows was based on this objective function as well as the coefficient of determination (D), base constant (\underline{a}) and regression coefficient (\underline{b}) which are described in chapter 10 (Section 10.3.1).

In order to assess the relative importance of storm rainfall and the catch= ment wetness index on the simulation of stormflow volumes in each catchment, the model parameters β_1 and β_2 in Equation 9.2 and Equation 10.1

were optimised with B_{3} being set at zero. Thus, event to event variability in calculated stormflow volumes could only be affected by changes in storm rainfall.

11. Results and Discussion

11.3.1 Calibration of the R-index method

The results of calibrating the R-index method on catchments I, II and III using alternate catchment wetness indices viz, antecedent baseflow (BF), antecedent rainfall totalled over one day (AP1), seven days (AP7) and 10 days (AP10), are presented in Table 11.4. The high coefficients of effiz ciency in Table 11.4 (E > 0.843) indicate that goodness of fit using the R-index method were accurate in each of the three catchments regardless of the antecedent wetness index used. Furthermore, the values of D are similar to those of E, reflecting minimal systematic inaccuracies (Table 11.4). The lack of over or underestimation may be gleaned from the values of <u>A</u> and <u>b</u> in Table 11.4, the minimum deviation of <u>A</u> from zero being 0.695 while the maximum deviation of b from unit is 0.106.

The catchment wetness index which provided the most accurate simulations of stormflow volumes, based on E, was BF in catchments I and II and AP10 in catchment III. Although the values of E associated with AP7 and AP10 in catchment III were the same, the use of AP7 resulted in a marginally lower value of D (Table 11.4). An examination of intra-catchment differences in the objective functions presented in Table 11.4 reveals that the use of different catchment wetness indices did not generally result in substantial variations in model accuracy except in catchment II where BF gives notably higher values of D and E compared with the other indices.

Antecedent baseflow has been shown by authors such as Reich (1971) and Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977) to be a valuable index of the catchment wetness status for stormflow calculations in humid areas. However, Murray and Görgens (1981) concluded that this variable was of little use in increasing the explained variance of stormflow volumes using regression analysis in catch= ments I, II and III. The results presented in Table 11.4 do not, however, coincide with these findings of Murray and Görgens (1981). The simulated stormflows in catchments I and II were most accurate using BF while simulations in catchment III using this index were also found to be accurate. The most suitable catchment wetness index for catchment III was AP7 with the value of E being 0.967, only slightly higher than the value associated with BF (E = 0.962).

Considering stormflow estimates in catchments where BF is assumed not to be available, the antecedent rainfall indices AP7 and AP10 are, on the basis of the objective function E in Table 11.4, equally as good for calculating stormflows in each of the test catchments. This finding may be explained by examining the seven and 10-day antecedent rainfall totals tabulated by Murray and Görgens (1981), totals for these two periods are identical for many events and correlate very highly (r = 0.884; n = 68).

The parameters β_1 , β_2 and β_3 were given by Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977) for the humid eastern United States as 0,4, 1,5 and 0,25 respectively when BF was included in the R-index method (Equation 9.2). Stormflow estimates in humid catchments of Natal were found to be accurate when these parameters values were used in Equation 9.2 and it was suggested that similar stormflow producing mechanisms may have accounted for this finding (cf Chapter 10). However, the optimised parameter values for each catchment presented in Table 11.4 using BF in Equation 10.2 differ considerably to those reported by Hewlett et al (1977). The B, values for the semi-arid catchments are greater than 1,135, β_{2} values range between 1,646 and -1,833 while β_3 values do not exceed 0,154 (Table 11.4). These marked differences in parameter values for the humid and semi-arid catchments may be expected since there are bound to be regional differences in stormflow producing mechanisms. Furthermore, the results presented in Table 11.4 are based on all events recorded in the three semi-arid catchments while Hewlett et al (1977) and the study based on catchments in Natal dealt with events produced by storm rainfalls above given thresholds.

11.3.2 Pooled data

The objective functions and optimised model parameters for the pooled data sets are presented in Table 11.5. Calibrating the R-index method on all 68 observations (POOL 1) using the four catchment wetness indices reveals that

only the index BF contributed towards explaining variability is stormflow volumes since β_3 values for the three intecedent rainfall indices were all zero. However, the exclusion of BF from the model did not affect model accuracy substantially since the value of E declined marginally from 0.864 to 0.833. Furthermore, systematic inaccuracies as reflected in the differences between D and E did not increase notably when β_3 assumed the value of zero (Table 11.5).

Calibrating the R-index method on the data set POOL 2, which excludes the extreme events of July and August 1979, results in notably different findings to those described for POOL 1. The most suitable antecedent moisture index for this data set is AP10 (E = 0,705) and not BF (E = 0,312) as was the case for POOL 1. Substituting AP7 for AP10 in the model gives rise to similar parameter and objective function values for POOL 2 while the least accurate stormflow simulations for this data set were associated with AP1, the value of E being 0,267.

The results for the data set POOL 3, which includes all events associated with 1,50 mm or more of storm rainfall, are similar to those for POOL 1 (Table 11.5). Antecedent moisture conditions are best represented by BF while antecedent rainfall did not contribute to explaining the variability in the stormflow volumes, β_3 being equal to zero for each of the antecedent rainfall indices. While the parameter values of β_2 for POOL 1 and POOL 3 are similar, β_1 values for POOL 3 are less than half the values for POOL 1. This finding may be accounted for by the difference in R-index values (Equation 9.1) for POOL 1 and POOL 3, the values for POOL 3 being between 1.4 and 3.0 times greater than the values for POOL 1. Thus for the product of β_1 and R in Equation 9.2 and Equation 10.1 to be of the same order for these two data sets, β_1 values need to be proportionally reduced for POOL 3.
Table 11.5 Results of stormflow simulations for the pooled data meta using selected catchment wetness indices in the R-index method

| | Catchment | Parame | ters | | Object | ive Fun | ctions | |
|----------|------------------|--------|------------------|-------|--------|---------|--------|----------|
| Data Set | Wetness Index | в, | β ₂ β | 3 | D | E | a | <u>b</u> |
| POOL 1 | BF | 1,158 | 1,778 | 0,230 | 0,866 | 0,863 | 0,289 | 0,933 |
| | AP 1 | 1,731 | 1,749 | 0,000 | 0,835 | 0,833 | 0,216 | 0,931 |
| | AP7 | 1,731 | 1,749 | 0,000 | 0,835 | 0,833 | 0,216 | 0,931 |
| | APIO | 1,731 | 1,749 | 0,000 | 0,835 | 0,833 | 0,216 | 0,931 |
| POOL 2 | BF | 1,240 | 2,414 | 0,150 | 0,312 | 0,312 | -0,233 | 0,810 |
| | AP1 | 0,824 | 2,317 | 0,001 | 0,268 | 0,267 | -0,272 | 0,789 |
| | AP7 | 0,022 | 5,309 | 1,915 | 0,703 | 0,697 | -0,121 | 0,900 |
| | AP10 | 0,020 | 5,206 | 1,953 | 0,709 | 0,705 | -0,098 | 0,899 |
| 200L 3 | BF | 0.717 | 1,797 | 0,074 | 0,821 | 0,819 | -0,208 | 0,887 |
| | AP1 | 0,753 | 1,887 | 0,000 | 0,714 | 0,714 | -0,208 | 0,866 |
| | AP7 | 0,753 | 1,887 | 0,000 | 0,714 | 0,714 | -0,208 | 0,866 |
| | AP10 | 0,753 | 1,887 | 0,000 | 0,714 | 0,714 | -0,208 | 0,866 |
| POOL 4 | BF | 0,836 | 2,442 | 0,107 | 0,488 | 0,459 | 0,048 | 0,797 |
| | AP1 | 0,565 | 2,418 | 0,001 | 0,370 | 0,353 | -0,072 | 0,748 |
| | AP7 | 0,052 | 4,456 | 1,291 | 0,692 | 0,690 | -0,042 | 0,829 |
| | AP10 | 0,031 | 5,166 | 1,450 | 0,703 | 0,702 | -0,012 | 0,826 |
| | | | | | | | | |

While both the two extreme events and events associated with less than 15,0 mm of storm rainfall are excluded from the data set POOL 4, the results presented in Table 11.5 for this data set are discernibly closer to those of POOL 2 than they are to those of POOL 3. This finding suggests that the extreme events of July and August 1979 have a more substantial influence on parameter values and in determining which catchment wetness index is most suitable for stormflow simulations than the large number of small events (P < 15,0 mm) have. Furthermore, the data sets POOL 1 and POOL 3, both of which include the extremely large events, have been shown to have similar parameter and simulation results despite differences in the data sets.

The two extreme events of July and August 1979 appear to have a marked and

possibly disproportionate influence on the calibration results based on the objective function E. However, adopting the R-index model which has been optimised on data which excludes these events (POOL 2) would restrict the applicability of the model to the range of this data. The calculation of stormflow volumes outside of the range of data on which the model was calibrated could lead to substantial inaccuracies in the simulated results. This may be illustrated by calculating stormflow volumes for the two extreme events in each catchment using the parameters and catchment wetness index which gave optimum results for the data set POOL 2. The over-estimation of stormflow volumes was in excess of 300 % for one events, 200 % for two events, 100 % for one event and 30 % for two events.

11.3.3 Estimation of stormflow in ungauged catchments

The catchment wetness indices AP7 and AP10 were found to be almost equally as good for calibrating stormflows in the individual catchments (cf Section 11.3.1). Murray and Görgens (1981) reported that AP7 was the most suitable index in their regression analysis of stormflows in these catchments. In view of this finding and the unnecessary inclusion of three additional days antecedent rainfall in the catchment wetness index, the optimised model including AP7 was selected as being most suitable for stormflow estimates assuming the catchments to be ungauged.

On the basis of the results obtained for the pooled data sets the generalised R-index model which appears potentially the most suitable for small catchments in this semi-arid region is the optimised model, excluding a catchment wetness index ($\beta_3 = 0$), for POOL 1 (all events). This version of the model covers the full range of recorded stormflow depths which avoids excessive errors in predicted stormflow for the larger events.

Different findings to those given above may have been reached if an alternative objective function had been used in place of E. Simulations which included BF were not considered in reaching the conclusion since this variable is not available in ungauged situations. The scattergram of observed and estimated stormflows using the R-index method recommended for general use in this region (optimised on POOL 1; $\beta_3 = 0,0$) is presented in Figure 11.2. The difficulty of modelling small stormflow events is illu=

strated in Figure 11.2. Events with observed stormflow depths less thing 2,4 mm were generally overestimated, this systematic inaccuracy becoming

Figure 11.2 Scattergram of observed and calculated stormflow depths using the optimised R-index method for POOL 1



more severe for the smaller events. Larger events in the data set POOL 1 were modelled with reasonable accuracy, most points falling between the 1:2 and 2:1 lines in Figure 11.2. These results give a measure of the degree of caution which should be exercised if the R-index method were to be used on catchments similar to those included in this study.

11.3.4 The contribution of storm rainfall and the catchment wetness index

Intra-catchment variations in calculated stormflow volumes using the Rindex method are determined by the variations in storm rainfall and the catchment wetness index, the response ratio providing for inter-catchment variability. Results presented thus far have indicated that for some data sets and catchment wetness indices storm rainfall alone accounts for differences in the calculated stormflow, the value of B in Equation 9.2 and Equation 10.1 being zero in these instances. Restricting the parameter to zero and then recalibrating the model for each data set provides a means of assessing the relative contribution of storm rainfall to variations in calculated stormflow in each data set for the particular model structure. Table 11.6 contains the results or such stormflow simulations along with the results obtained for stormflow simulations using the most suitable catchment wetness index in the model (from Table 11.4 and Table 11.5).

In examining the results presented for the individual catchments (I, II and III) in Table 11.6 it is apparent that the exclusion of a catchment wetness index from the R-index method in catchments I and III had only a marginal effect on model accuracy with the values of E decreasing slightly (Table 11.6). Furthermore, systematic inaccuracies in these two catchments did not increase notably with the exclusion of the catchment wetness index, this being reflected in the values of \underline{a} and \underline{b} and the small differences between D and E in Table 11.6.

The exclusion of F from stormflow estimates in catchment II results in a notable decrease in the value of E from 0,976 to 0,835. However, the reduction in model accuracy for this catchment is not as marked when the objective functions associated with the most suitable antecedent rainfall index (AP7) are considered. The value of E when AP7 is used is 0,848 (Table 11.4) compared with 0,835 when no antecedent moisture index is used (Table 11.6). Thus, it may be concluded that for calibrations in catchment II the only catchment wetness index warranting inclusion in the R-index method would be BF while in catchments I and III catchment wetness indices could be excluded from the method without substantial losses in model accuracy. Further evidence for the greater effect of antecedent moisture

| Catch= | Catchment | Parame | ters | | Object | ive Fun | ctions | |
|-------------------|------------------|--------|------------------|-------|--------|---------|----------|-------|
| ment/ Data Set | Wetness Index | B | B ₂ B | 3 | D | Е | <u>a</u> | b |
| I | - | 1,300 | 1,881 | 0,000 | 0,845 | 0,843 | 0,337 | 0,927 |
| | BF | 1,136 | 1,833 | 0,154 | 0,891 | 0,995 | 0,695 | 0,925 |
| II | - | 1,368 | 2,120 | 0,000 | 0,835 | 0,835 | 0,007 | 0,946 |
| | BF | 1,207 | 2,144 | 0,001 | 0,976 | 0,972 | 0,372 | 0,955 |
| III | - | 2,541 | 1,469 | 0,000 | 0,949 | 0,972 | 0,432 | 0,984 |
| | AP10 | 0,837 | 1,628 | 0,336 | 0,974 | 0,972 | 0,403 | 0,896 |
| POOL 1 | - | 1,731 | 1,749 | 0,000 | 0,835 | 0,833 | 0,216 | 0,931 |
| | BF | 1,518 | 1,778 | 0,230 | 0,866 | 0,863 | 0,289 | 0,933 |
| 200L 2 | - | 1,383 | 2,596 | 0,000 | 0,236 | 0,234 | -0,322 | 0,771 |
| | AP10 | 0,020 | 5,206 | 1,953 | 0,709 | 0,705 | -0,098 | 0,899 |
| 900L 3 | - | 0,753 | 1,887 | 0,000 | 0,714 | 0,714 | -0,208 | 0,866 |
| | BF | 0,717 | 1,797 | 0,074 | 0,821 | 0,819 | 0,407 | 0,887 |
| 200L 4 | - | 0,959 | 2,670 | 0,000 | 0,308 | 0,299 | -0,148 | 0,713 |
| | Ap10 | 0,031 | 5,166 | 1,450 | 0,703 | 0,702 | -0,012 | 0,826 |

Table 11.6 Results comparing stormflow simulations using the R-index method without a catchment wetness with simulations including the most suitable index

conditions on stormflow volumes in catchment II may be found by examining the differences in the coefficient of variation (CV) for storm rainfall and stormflow for each catchment (Table 11.3). The lowest CV for storm rain= fall and the highest CV for stormflow is in catchment II. This greater relative variability, it may be hypothesised, is attributable to the effect variations in antecedent moisture conditions have on stormflow volumes in this catchment.

Considering the results of stormflow simulations for pooled data where catchment wetness indices have been excluded (Table 11.6), reveals that the maximum reductions in E would be for the data sets POOL 2 and POOL 4. The exclusion of catchment wetness indices from both data sets also gives rise

to an increase in systematic errors, with the values of <u>a</u> and <u>b</u> deviating more notably from zero and unit respectively than the values of simulations which include antecedent wetness indices (Table 11.6). Neither POOL 2 nor POOL 4 include the extremely large events of July and August 1979 which suggests that antecedent moisture conditions are important in determining the magnitude of stormflows for the smaller and intermediate events. Since the data sets for catchments I and III included these two extreme events, the finding that antecedent wetness indices had little effect on the accuracy of stormflow simulations in these catchments may have differed had the data been stratified according to the magnitudes of the stormflow events.

The importance of antecedent moisture conditions to small and intermediate events and the apparent irrelevance of these conditions to the large events may be explained in terms of the relative proportions of storm rainfall retained by catchment storages during an event. While, for a given antes cedent moisture condition, the amount of storm rainfall required to satisfy catchment storages may be constant regardless of the size of the rainfall events, the proportion of storm rainfall abstracted from smaller events would exceed the proportion retained from larger events. Thus, as catchs ment storages deplete and approach zero capacity in the larger events stormflow production becomes primarily a function of storm rainfall. Since the soils of the study catchments are poorly defined and shallow, except in the valley bottoms, it may be expected that the storage capacity of these catchments is not substantial. thus the potential variability in total catchment moisture status would be limited and only of significance to the small and intermediate size events.

11.4 Conclusions

The major conclusions reached from this study of the R-index method in three small semi-arid catchments may be summarised as follows:

- (a) The model may be calibrated successfully in catchments which are physically and environmentally dissimilar to the humid catchments for which the model was intended.
- (b) Parameter values established for the model in these three catchments

differed markedly to those of the eastern USA and humid catchments of Natal. This is not surprising as the stormflow producing mechanisms in the semi-arid catchments are probably different from those catche ments tested from the USA and Natal.

- (c) Antecedent baseflow was found to be the most suitable catchment wetness index in two of the three catchments and a very good index in the third catchment.
- (d) Stormflow simulations using seven or 10 days antecedent rainfall were almost equally as accurate in the three catchments. This finding was attributed to the similarity in antecedent rainfall totals for these two periods.
- (e) The general model which can be applied in this region was based on calibrations of the pooled data set which included all events. The calibrated model for this data set excluded the catchment wetness index since the associated parameter assumed a value of zero.
- (f) Antecedent moisture conditions were found to be important for calculating stormflow volumes for small and intermediate size events and generally unimportant for the larger events.

This study has also indicated that in order for the R-index method to be used with any degree of reliability on ungauged catchments in South Africa, the factors affecting the parameter values and number of days antecedent rainfall most suitable for the model need to be understood and regional values established. The structure of the model lends itself to this approach while the satisfactory results obtained from diverse environmental regions suggests that the model components cater for the major variables affecting stormflow production.

Estimates of the R-index for this study and the evaluation of the R-index method in catchments of Natal have been based on measured stormflow and rainfall data. In ungauged situations this index would have to be estimated and attention is now turned to finding a possible surrogate for the measured R-index.

Chapter 12 ESTIMATION OF THE R-INDEX

The average stormflow response (R-index is described by Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977) as a measure of the inherent storage capacity of a catchment. Assuming all other variables and parameters in the R-index model to be constant, inter-catchment variations in stormflow are then a function of different R-indices. Authors such as Woodruff and Hewlett (1970) and Bryan (1980) have shown that the R-index can be mapped successfully for the eastern USA (cf Section 9.3). There are, however, insufficient streamflow gauging stations in small catchments of South Africa for this index to be mapped. Widespread use of the R-index method for stormflow estimates in ungauged catchments of South Africa would thus require the inclusion of an alternative response index in the model.

The statistical nature of stormflow response in three catchments is examined in this chapter. Information obtained from these analyses is intended to assist in calculating unbiased stormflow response indices from relatively few observations. Attention is also given to the relationship between catchment R-indices and mean annual discharge response.

12.1 Aims and Procedures

Individual stormflow responses are used to calculate an average response (R-index) for a catchment (Equation 9.1). This sample value approximates the population mean and the accuracy of this approximation is a function of the sample size and degree of normality in the stormflow response data. Small samples and skewed distributions result in biased estimates of the average stormflow response. As Olszewski (1978) has shown, only 15 to 20 sequential observations are required for an unbiased estimate of R if the data are normalised. However, Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977) concluded that in excess of 100 observations would be required to estimate R within five percent of the 'true' (population) value for data which exhibits marked skew in its distribution. By reducing the number of observations required for an unbiased estimate of R, the use of temporary gauging structures to determine this index in selected catchments becomes a viable undertaking.

The first aim of this study is to examine the frequency distributions of

atignflow responses in three Zululand catchments (WIM15, WIM16 and WIM17) and make an attempt at improving the normality of the data by using two exponential transformations. This investigation is based on the three Zululand catchments because sufficient stormflow events were available for meaningful analyses to be conducted. The general applicability of the study is limited and may be regarded as a case study with the findings pertaining specifically to the Zululand region.

Forty-three stormflow responses were available for each of the three Zululand catchments, this data being the same as that used in the study described in Chapter 10 (Appendix 8). Three types of stormflow response were calculated for each catchment according to the following:

- $(a) = \frac{Q}{P}$
- (b) $\left(\frac{Q}{P}\right)^{O,5}$ and

(c)
$$(\frac{Q}{P})^{0.667}$$

where Q and P are depths (mm) of stormflow and a storm rainfall respectively. The exponents 0,5 and 0,667 were selected because Hewlett <u>et</u> <u>al</u> (1977) and Olszewski (1978) found that these transformations normalised the response data from selected catchments in the eastern USA.

In order to evaluate the normality of each distribution the skew and kurtosis were calculated and a frequency histogram constructed for each set of data. According to Yevjevich (1972) the following expressions give unbiased estimates of skew and kurtosis for small samples:

and.

where

The second aim of this study is to examine the relationship between mean annual discharge response and the R-index. Mean annual response may be calculated using a procedure such as that described by Midgley and Pitman (1969) (of Section 6.1.3). Maps of mean annual response have been developed for Natal by Whitmore (1970) (Figure 12.1). If a relationship could be established between mean annual response and R-indices then the estimation of these indices for ungauged catchments would be simplified.

Figure 12.1 Mean annual discharge as a percentage of mean annual rain= fall in Natal (After: Whitmore, 1970)



Data used in this second investigation were drawn from catchments WIM15, WIM16 and WIM17 at Zululand (Appendix 8), catchment U2M20 at Cedara (Appendix 8) and the three semi-arid catchments, I, II and III, near Grahamstown (Appendix 10) (cf Sections 10.2 and 11.1). Mean annual discharge response values for the four regions were determined according to the procedure described by Midgley and Pitman (1969). R-indices were calculated using linear data (Equation 9.1) as well as exponentially trans= formed response values using the exponents 0,500 and 0,677 in the following expressions:

where

R_{ea} = the exponentially transformed R-index for stormflow responses raised to power a.

Average regional response values were calculated by pooling data from each catchment of a region and then recalculating R, $R_{e0,500}$ and $R_{e,0677}$. It was not possible to evaluate statistically the results of this investigation since data from only four regions were analysed. Mean annual response and the R-indices were compared graphically and the results were intended to indicate any possible trends or relationships.

12.2 Results and Discussion

12.2.1 Stormflow response in Zululand Coefficients of skew (\hat{g}_1) and kurtosis (\hat{g}_1) for R-indices in the three Zululand catchments are summarised in Table 12.1.

| | R-index | | |
|-----------|--------------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| Catchment | Linear | e(0,500) | e(0,667) |
| | Ê1 Ê2 | ĝ1 ĝ2 | ĝ ₁ ĝ ₂ |
| W1M15 | 1,135 4,079 | 0,458 2,737 | 0,735 3,137 |
| W1M16 | 2,347 10,668 | 0,706 4,169 | 1,072 6,037 |
| W1M17 | 1,768 6,619 | 0,781 4,014 | 1,515 4,758 |

Table 12.1 Coefficients of skew (\hat{g}_{1}) and kurtosis \hat{g}_{2}) for R-indices calculated using linear and transformed data

Since the symmetry of a distribution is the major factor affecting bias in estimated values of the mean, most of this discussion focuses on the measure of skew. Distributions of linear stormflow response data exhibit substantial skew in each of three catchments with the minimum value of \hat{g}_1 being 1,135 for catchment WIM15 (Table 12.1). Both exponential transformations reduced the skew of data in each catchment with the exponent 0,500 resulting in notably lower value of \hat{g}_1 than those for the exponent 0,667. Linear and transformed data of each catchment were all skewed positively and the distributions generally exhibited mesokurtosis ($\hat{g}_2 + 3,0$) or tended towards leptokurtosis ($\hat{g}_2 + 3,0$).

Frequency histograms depicting the distribution of linear and transformed stormflow responses for the three selected catchments are presented in Figure 12.2, 12.3 and 12,4. Three extremely large response values in catchments W1M16 and W1M17 were grouped together for convenience (group 9), this group being indicated by a broken line.

The histograms presented in Figures 12.2, 12.3 and 12.4 illustrate the substantial skew present in the distributions of stormflow response when linear data are used. This assymmetry is reduced notably when data in an exponential form are used, the exponent 0,500 clearly resulting greater normalisation of the data (Figures 12.2, 12.3 and 12.4). Frequency distributions for exponential data of catchment W1M16 (Figure 12.3) reflect a tendency towards bimodality but this feature may be a function of the small sample size (n = 43).

| 1 2 | Data | | Line | * 0. | ° 0. | |
|--|-------|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|--|
| 1 Z Z | _ | - | R. | 500 | 667 | |
| 2 0,051-0,100 0,080-0,158 0,069-0,136 0,137- | | t | 0,000-0.050 | 0,000-0,079 | 0,000-0,068 | |
| 0,101-0,159-0,137- | | ÷. | 0,051-0,100 | 0,080-0,158 | 0,069-0.136 | |
| 3 -0,150 -0,237 -0,204 | | 3 | 0,101-0,150 | 0,159-0,237 | 0,137-0,204 | |
| 4 0,151-0,200 0,238-0,316 0,205-0,272 | | 4 | 0,151-0,200 | 0,238-0,316 | 0,205-0,272 | |
| 5 0,201-0,250 0,317-0,395 0,273-0,340 | Class | 5 | 0.201-0.250 | 0,317-0,395 | 0,273-0,340 | |
| 6 0,251-0,300 0,396-0,474 0,341-0,408 | | 6 | 0,251-0,300 | 0.396-0,474 | 0,341-0,408 | |
| 7 0,301-0,350 0,475-0,553 0,409-0,476 | | 7 | 0,301-0,350 | 0,475-0,553 | 0,409-0,476 | |
| # 0,351-0,400 0,554-0,632 0,477-0,544 | | | 0,351-0,400 | 0,554-0,632 | 0,477-0,544 | |
| 1 I I ia | | .0 | э | -0 | ÷ | |





flow response data for catchment WIM15 Frequency histograms based it. Linear and transformed

W1M15

| Data | | | | | Class | | | | |
|---------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | U) | ø | 7 | 8 | |
| Linear | 0,000-0,041 | 0,042-0,082 | 0,083-0,123 | 0,124-0,164 | 0,165-0,205 | 0,206-0,246 | 0.247-0.287 | 0,288-0,32 | 00 |
| e 0,500 | 0,000-0,072 | 0,073-0,144 | 0,145-0,216 | 0,217-0,288 | 0,289-0,360 | 0,361-0,432 | 0,433-0,504 | 0,515-0,570 | 92 |
| e 0,667 | 0,000-0,060 | 0,061-0,120 | 0,121-0,180 | 0,181-0,240 | 0,241-0,300 | 0,301-0,360 | 0,361-0,420 | 0,421-0,480 | |







| Data | - | 6 | | | 6 | | 88 | 4 |
|----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----|
| | | ю | * | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | |
| incar | 0,000-0,060 | 0,061-0,120 | 0,121-0,180 | 0,181-0,240 | 0,241+0,300 | 0,301-0,360 | 0,361-0,420 | 0 |
| e 0, 500 | 0,000-0,087 | 0,088-0,173 | 0,174-0,260 | 0.251-0.347 | 0,348-0,434 | 0,435-0,521 | 0,522-0,608 | .0 |
| e 0,667 | 0,000-0,077 | 0,078-0,154 | 0,155-0,231 | 0,232-0,308 | 0,309-0,385 | 0,386-0,462 | 0,463+0.539 | 0.5 |





Figure 12.4 Frequency fistograms based on linear and transformed flow response data for catchment W1M17 15000mm

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The value of normalising a frequency distribution of response data may be illustrated by calculating the limits of the true mean response (R-index) with a given probability based on normalised and unaltered data. Limits of the true of population mean were calculated from the sample data (43 events) using the following expression:

where

- \overline{X} = the limits of the true mean
- \overline{x} = the sample mean
- t = Students t value for a given confidence level with degrees of freedom being n-1
- s = sample standard deviation and
- n = number of observations

Limits of the true mean stormflow response were determined for each set of data in the three catchments (Equation 12.5) and are tabulated in Table 12.2.

Table 12.2 Upper (\bar{X}_{ij}) and lower (\bar{X}_{ij}) limits of the true mean stormflow response (95% confidence) and percent deviation from the sample mean for the three Zululand catchments

| Catchment | Data | X ₁ | x _u | Deviation (%) |
|-----------|--------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| W1M15 | Linear | 0,093 | 0,151 | 23,4 |
| | e0,500 | 0,272 | 0,354 | 13,0 |
| | e0,667 | 0,187 | 0,261 | 16,6 |
| W1M16 | Linear | 0,117 | 0,197 | 25,8 |
| | e0,500 | 0,318 | 0,358 | 12,4 |
| | e0,667 | 0,225 | 0,317 | 17,0 |
| W1M17 | Linear | 0,144 | 0,230 | 22,9 |
| | e0,500 | 0,352 | 0,447 | 11,3 |
| | e0,557 | 0,260 | 0,352 | 15,1 |

By improving the normality of stormflow response data the limits of the true mean response index are reduced substantially (Table 12.2). Limits of the true mean deviated from the sample mean in catchments WIM16 and WIM17 by 25.8 percent and 22.9 percent respectively when linear data were used. These limits were more than halved when the data were transformed using an exponent of 0,500 (Table 12.2). A similar result was obtained for catchment WIM15 but the deviation from the sample mean was reduced by slightly less than half from 23,4 percent to 13,0 percent. There is also a substantial improvement in estimating the population an when the alternative exponential transformation (e0,667) is used (Table 12.2).

The results of this study are in agreement with the findings of Hewlett \underline{et} al (1977) and Olszewski (1978) that exponential transformations normalise the distribution of stormflow responses from small catchments in the eastern USA. Hewlett \underline{et} al (1977) reported that the use of the exponent 0,500 resulted in the most normalised distribution, a finding substantiated in this study of the three Zululand catchments.

12.2.2 Estimation of the R-index from mean annual hydrological response R-indices calculated using linear and exponentially transformed data from catchments in the Zululand, Cedara, De Hoek and Grahamstown regions are given in Table 12.3 along with the mean annual discharge response values for those regions. Diagrams illustrating the relationship between stormflow response indices and mean annual discharge response for each region are presented in Figure 12.5. From an examination of Table 12.3 and Figure 12.5 the following may be noted:

- (a) R-indices calculated using linear data are close to half the magnitude of the mean annual response in each of the four regions. This relationship is particularly notable where average regional R-indices were plotted against mean annual response. The scatter of values about the 1:2 line for individual catchments may be attributed to individual catchment differences.
- b) Normalising stormflow response data with an exponential transformation of e = 0,500 results in a greater scatter of points when individual catchments are considered. However, averaging the response indices results in a very convincing non-linear relationship between stormflow response ($R_{e0,500}$) and mean annual discharge response.

Table 12.3 Mean annual response and R-indices using linear and transformed data for selected catchments of the Zululand, Sedara Da Moak and Grahamstour regions

| | | R-index | | | Mean Annual |
|----------|-----------|---------|--------|--------|-------------|
| Region | Catchment | Linear | e0,500 | e0,667 | Response |
| | | | | | |
| Zululand | W1M15 | 0,122 | 0,313 | 0,224 | 0.310 |
| | WIM16 | 0,157 | 0,363 | 0,271 | |
| | W1M17 | 0,187 | 0,402 | 0,306 | |
| | Average | 0,155 | 0,359 | 0,267 | |
| Cedara | U2M20 | 0,053 | 0,214 | 0,133 | 0,094 |
| De Hoek | V1M28 | 0,088 | 0,249 | 0,170 | 0,153 |
| | V7M03 | 0,103 | 0,282 | 0,195 | |
| | Average | 0,096 | 0,266 | 0,183 | |
| Grahams= | I | 0,068 | 0,178 | 0,124 | 0,075 |
| town | II | 0,043 | 0,238 | 0,085 | |
| | III | 0,090 | 0,258 | 0,179 | |
| | Average | 0,058 | 0,169 | 0,112 | |

(c) Results obtained using e = 0.667 in the exponential transformation of stormflow response data are similar to those obtained using an exponent of 0.500 with the relationship between the R-index ($R_{e0.667}$) and mean annual response also being non-linear.

For each of the three R-indices (R, $R_{e0,500}$ and $R_{e0,667}$) used in this study the results have indicated that individual catchment response indices exhibit a less clearly defined relationship with mean annual response than the averaged R-indices do. Since catchment size may cause this variability, future studies of the R-index in South Africa should investigate the relationship between response indices and catchment size. Figure 12.5 Belationship between mean semual discharge response and the R-index of (a) individual catchments and (b) the average for each region using linear and transformed (e0,500; e0.677) stormflow response data



Figure 12.5 Continuent







12.3 Conclusions

A major limitation of this study has been the small sample of catchments included in the analyses. However, a number of notable conclusions were reached, namely:

- (a) The use of exponential transformations, particularly the exponent 0,500, made the stormflow response data of three small catchments in Zululand more normal. This was the same exponential transformation which was found by Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977) to normalise stormflow response data from catchments in the eastern USA. It was hypothesised that the existence of similar stormflow producing mechanisms in the two regions accounted for this finding. A similar conclusion was reached in testing the R-index model on data from these three Zululand catchments (cf Section 10.4.1).
- (b) Normalising the frequency distributions of stormflow responses in the Zululand catchments resulted in substantially more accurate estimates of the true mean response index.
- (c) Although catchments from only four regions of South Africa were included in the second aspect of this study, there was convincing evidence of a relationship between regional mean annual discharge response and the R-indices.

In view of the general availability of mean annual response information for most regions of South Africa this research warrants further investigation with a larger and more diverse sample of catchments being considered.

Although promising results have been obtained in this investigation of the R-index, these findings are either limited in their applicability or require further investigation. Immediate or near future use of the R-index model in South Africa requires a more readily available index of catchment response, such as a curve number. An examination of this problem is included in the following chapter.

Chapter 13 THE DISTRIBUTED R-INDEX METHOD

The original R-index model developed by Hewlett <u>et al</u> (1977) is a lumped model in which the basic unit of study is the first order catchment. A single response index is assigned to a catchments and no allowance is made for separate indices of sub-units in a catchment. Estimates of stormflow volumes using the SCS model have been shown to improve substantially when the distributed curve number method was adopted in favour of using the lumped curve number approach (of Chapter 5). For a distributed R-index method to be developed, a surrogate would have to be found for the lumped catchment response index which would reflect the different stormflow potentials of sub-units in a catchment.

Attention is given in this chapter to developing and testing a distributed R-index model. Implicit in this objective is the establishment of a readily determinable substitute for the lumped response index in the model.

13.1 The problem and approach

Many hydrological investigations require estimates of stormflow volumes from sub-catchments or small areas in a catchment. The original form of the R-index method is not suited to this application because of the lumped nature of the response index (R). The concept of a curve number (CN) for assessing average stormflow response is particularly attractive since it defines potential response on the basis of the soil-cover complex of a catchment (cf Section 3.1). While the absolute relationship between these variables and stormflow may be challenged the strength of the N concept lies in its definition of relative stormflow potential. It is for this reason that CN's were selected to replace the lumped R-index in this model.

Furthermore, CN's may be determined from readily available soils, vegetation and land-use information (cf Section 3.1).

A large number of gauged small catchments covering a wide range of CN values is not available in South Africa for calibrating the R-index model for single CN units. However, an attempt was made to circumvent this problem by adopting the following approach:

- (a) A computer programme, INDST, was developed to calculate stormflow from sub-units in a catchment using CN's in the R-index model.
- (b) Optimisation of model parameters was based on the assumption that B_1 , B_2 and B_3 (Equation 9.2) were consistent for each CN unit in a catchment and that the summation of stormflow volumes from sub-units could be compared with total stormflow volume at the outlet of the catchment. A further assumption was that errors from different sub-units did not compensate one another.

An attempt is made in the ensuing analyses and discussion to answer two questions, viz:

- (a) Can catchment stormflow volumes be calculated accurately using a distributed B-index model and CN's as the response indices?
- (b) Once the distributed model has been calibrated using observed stormflow data are the parameters of the model transferable up and/or down stream from the gauging station?

13.2 The model, catchments and data

The computer programme INDST was based on the programme INDEX which is described in Section 10.3.1. INDST allows for up to 10 R-indices to be entered for sub-units are also entered and stormflows are calculated for each sub-unit which are then summated and compared with observed values as in INDEX. An important aspect of calculating stormflow for individual subunits is that each unit has a specific storm rainfall threshold above which any additional storm rainfall is added directly to stormflow (cf Section 9.1). Furthermore, only antecedent rainfall can be used as an index of catchment wetness since antecedent baseflow is not available for sub-units. A listing of the programme INDST along with operation instructions is given in Appendix 11.

An examination of the distributed R-index method was conducted using data from three Zululand catchments, W1M15, W1M16 and W1M17 (Appendix 8). These catchments were particularly useful for this study since:

(a) A large number of measured stormflow events (n=43) was available for each catchment, this data having been used to test the lumped R-index model (cf Chapter 10).

- (b) Curve numbers had been determined for catchments W1M16 and W1M17 for testing the SCS model (of Section 4.4). The derivation of CN units for catchment W1M15 is given in Appendix 12.
- (c) The three catchments are nested allowing for the model to be tested against stormflows measured up or downstream for the gauging station where the model was calibrated (Figure 13.4).
- 13.3 Results and discussion

13.3.1 Calibrating the distributed model

Calibration of the distributed R-index method was undertaken by optimising the coefficient of efficiency (E) as was done for the lumped R-index method (of Chapter 10). Since calibrations of the lumped model were restricted to

Figure 13.1 The three nested Zululand catchments WIM15, WIM16 and WIM17



using parameters accurate to two decimal places, this procedure was adopted for the distributed model allowing for unbiased comparisons to be made of the results of the two approaches. Model parameters were optimised using observed data from each of the catchments with antecedent rainfall totals for 5-days (AP5), 10-days (AP10) and 15-days (AP15). Results of these calibrations are presented in Table 13.1.

| Table 13.1 | Results o | f stormfl | ow simu | lations usinį | g selected | periods | 01 |
|------------|------------|-----------|---------|---------------|------------|---------|----|
| | antecedent | rainfall | in the | distributed | R-index m | ethod | |

| | Catchment | Parame | ters | | Object | ive Fun | ctions | |
|-----------|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------|---------|--------|-------|
| Catchment | Wetness Index | ₿ ₁ | β ₂ | в ₃ | D | E | a | p |
| W1M15 | AP5 | 0,060 | 1,690 | 0,440 | 0,761 | 0,760 | -0,568 | 0,988 |
| | AP10 | 0,060 | 1,700 | 0,180 | 0,723 | 0,719 | -0,595 | 1,010 |
| | AP15 | 0,050 | 1,830 | 0,190 | 0,726 | 0,726 | -0,696 | 0,986 |
| W1M16 | AP5 | 0,050 | 1,910 | 0,340 | 0,994 | 0,993 | -0,292 | 0,996 |
| | AP10 | 0,060 | 1,860 | 0,010 | 0,977 | 0,977 | -0,021 | 1,021 |
| | AP15 | 0,040 | 1,760 | 0,300 | 0,956 | 0,956 | -1,055 | 1,017 |
| W1M17 | AP5 | 0,080 | 1,870 | 0,040 | 0,985 | 0,985 | 0,126 | 0,971 |
| | AP10 | 0,070 | 1,930 | 0,010 | 0,988 | 0,987 | 0,041 | 0,976 |
| | AP15 | 0,070 | 1,650 | 0,260 | 0,988 | 0,988 | -0,630 | 1,009 |

Stormflow simulations using the distributed R-index method were generally accurate for all catchments regardless of the catchment wetness index used (Table 13.1). Values of D and E are similar indicating minimal systematic inaccuracies in the calculated stormflows. An examination of \underline{a} and \underline{b} values in Table 13.1 confirms this finding with these values approaching zero and one respectively. The most accurate stormflow calibrations, as defined by the objective function E, were associated with AP5 in catchments WIM15 and WIM16 and AP15 in catchment WIM17. However, the value of E for AP5 (E=0,985) in catchment W1M17 was only marginally lower than the value for AP15 (E=0,988).

By comparing the simulation results of the lumped model (cf Chapter 10)

with those of the distributed model, the relative success of using CN's and a distributed procedure may be gauged. Selected objective functions (D and E) for stormflow simulations using both versions of the model in the three catchments are given in Table 13.2.

Table 13.2 Coefficients of determination (D) and efficiency (E) for stormflow simulations using the lumped and distributed Rindex models

| | Catchment | Objectiv | e Functions | | |
|-----------|-----------|----------|-------------|--------|-------------|
| Catchment | Wetness | | D | | E |
| | Index | Lumped | Distributed | Lumped | Distributed |
| W1M15 | AP5 | 0,752 | 0,761 | 0,752* | 0,760* |
| | AP10 | 0,719 | 0,723 | 0,714 | 0,719 |
| | AP15 | 0,718 | 0,726 | 0,717 | 0,726 |
| W1M16 | AP5 | 0,995 | 0,994 | 0,995* | 0,993* |
| | AP10 | 0,989 | 0,977 | 0,988 | 0,977 |
| | AP15 | 0,978 | 0,956 | 0,973 | 0,956 |
| W1M17 | AP5 | 0,974 | 0,985 | 0,974 | 0,985 |
| | AP10 | 0,976 | 0,988 | 0,976 | 0,987 |
| | AP15 | 0,990 | 0,987 | 0,990* | 0,988* |

* Highest catchment value

Stormflow calibrations using the distributed R-index method were more accurate than calibrations using the lumped method in catchments W1M15 and W1M17 for all antecedent rainfall periods tested except AP15 in catchment W1M17 (Table 13.2). However, the values of D and E in Table 13.2 are generally similar for both versions of the model. The most suitable catch= ment wetness index for stormflow simulations in each catchment was found to be the same for both the lumped and distributed models (Table 13.2). In catchment W1M17 the value of E using the distributed model with AP5 (E=0,985) is marginally less than the value for AP15 (E=0,988). This was not the case for the lumped model with AP5 being associated with an E value of 0,974 compared to 0,988 for AP15.

Simulation of stormflow volumes in the three Zululand catchments using the distributed R-index method and CN's was generally successful. In view of this finding the distributed model was also tested using total storm discharge in place of stormflow volumes. The distinction between stormflow and total storm discharge is illustrated in Figure 13.2. Simulation

Figure 13.2 Definition diagram of stormflow and total storm discharge



results using the distributed R-index method to calculate total storm discharge for the three Zululand catchments are presented in Table 13.3. Estimation of total storm discharge using the distributed R-index model was successful in each of the three catchments (Table 13.3). In comparing these results with those obtained for stormflow simulations (Table 13.1) the following may be noted:

(a) The parameter β_1 increased for all simulations of total storm discharge while β_2 decreased for all simulations except those based on AP5 and AP10 in catchment W1M17. The parameter values for β_3 were similar for simulations of stormflow and total storm discharge. However, there was a tendency for β_3 to increase slightly when the model was optimised using total storm discharge.

Table 13.3 Results of total storm discharge simulations using selected periods of antecedent rainfall in the distributed R-index method

| | Catchment | Parame | ters | | Object | ive Fun | ctions | |
|-----------|------------------|----------------|-------|----------------|--------|---------|--------|--------|
| Catchment | Wetness Index | ß ₁ | β2 | β ₃ | D | E | à. | 5 |
| W1M15 | AP5 | 0,080 | 1,560 | 0,470 | 0,719 | 0,718 | -0,939 | 0,964 |
| | AP10 | 0,070 | 1,690 | 0,210 | 0,658 | 0,656 | -1,171 | 0,949 |
| | AP15 | 0,060 | 1,780 | 0,220 | 0,661 | 0,655 | -1,343 | 0,939 |
| W1M16 | AP5 | 0,070 | 1,840 | 0.340 | 0,990 | 0,990 | -0,729 | -0,996 |
| | AP10 | 0,090 | 1,680 | 0,060 | 0,972 | 0,970 | -1,399 | 1,056 |
| | AP 15 | 0,070 | 1,570 | 0,290 | 0,960 | 0,960 | -1,030 | 1,021 |
| WIM17 | AP5 | 0,090 | 1,910 | 0,090 | 0,987 | 0,985 | -0,658 | 0,963 |
| | AP10 | 0,080 | 1,970 | 0,010 | 0,987 | 0,985 | -0,686 | 0,967 |
| | AP15 | 0,100 | 1,530 | 0,290 | 0,987 | 0,988 | -0,608 | 1,004 |

- (b) Model accuracy was reduced (lower E values) for most simulations using total storm discharge. This reduction in accuracy decreases with the reduction in catchment size and in catchment W1M17 two of the three values of E in Table 13.1 and Table 13.3 are equal, the third value only differing by 0,002 (AP10).
- (c) The catchment wetness indices which gave the best stormflow simulations result in each catchment also gave the best total discharge simulation results.

The findings outlined in the preceding discussion have indicated that the distributed R-index method may be calibrated successfully to simulate both stormflow and total storm discharge. The model does, however, appear to be more suited to stormflow estimation (cf Tables 13.2 and 13.3). While the R-index method including CN's as response indices gives accurate estimates of the stormflows at the outlet of each catchment. This cannot be taken as conclusive evidence that the stormflow from sub-units in a catchment has been modelled successfully. The following analysis is, however, intended to provide a clearer indication of the value of the method for estimating stormflow from sub-catchments or areas in a catchment.

13.3.2 Transferability of model parameters

In developing the distributed R-index method it was assumed that parameters of the model optimised an observed stormflow data at the outlet of a catche ment would be applicable to different sub-units in the catchment. Furthermore, it was assumed that CN's provide a relative measure of the stormflow potential from sub-units in a catchment. If these assumptions are valid it may be expected that calibrating the distributed R-index method on part of a catchment should provide suitable parameter values for stormflow estimates in other parts of the catchment.

Parameters for the distributed R-index method are optimised for the three Zululand catchments using the three selected catchment wetness indices (AP5, AP10 and AP15). Optimised parameters for any one catchment were used in the R-index method to calculate stormflow volumes in the other two catchments. The accuracy of these simulations was then compared with that of the optimised model for the catchment. Results of tests are presented in Table 13.4 for AP5, Table 13.5 for AP10 and Table 13.6 for AP15.

| Table 13.4 | Results of | stormflow s | imulations | using | AP5 | în | the |
|------------|-------------|----------------|------------|--------|------|---------|-----|
| | distributed | R-index method | with optim | ised a | nd t | ransfer | red |
| | parameters | | | | | | |

| | Catchment Parameters | Objective Functions | | | | |
|-----------|-------------------------|---------------------|-------|--------|----------|--|
| Catchment | | Ð | E | a | <u>b</u> | |
| | | | | | | |
| W1M15 | W1M16 | 0,715 | 0,691 | -0,172 | 0,849 | |
| | W1M17 | 0,652 | 0,592 | 0,639 | 0,772 | |
| | OPT | 0,761 | 0,760 | -0,568 | 0,988 | |
| W1M16 | W1M15 | 0,970 | 0,939 | -6,666 | 1,190 | |
| | W1M17 | 0,974 | 0,971 | 1,294 | 0,951 | |
| | OPT | 0,994 | 0,993 | -0,292 | 0,996 | |
| W1M17 | W1M15 | 0,926 | 0,879 | -8,540 | 1,243 | |
| | W1M16 | 0,970 | 0,968 | -1,579 | 0,993 | |
| | OPT | 0,985 | 0,985 | 0,126 | 0,971 | |
| | | | | | | |

Table 13.5 Results of stormflow simulations using APIO in the distributed R-index method with optimised and transferred parameters

| | Catchment Parameters | Objective Functions | | | | |
|-----------|-------------------------|---------------------|-------|----------|----------|--|
| Gatchment | | D | E | <u>B</u> | <u>b</u> | |
| | | | | | | |
| W1M15 | W1M16 | 0,639 | 0,591 | 0,672 | 0,829 | |
| | W1M17 | 0,643 | 0,607 | 0,036 | 0,809 | |
| | OPT | 0,723 | 0,719 | -0,575 | 1,010 | |
| W1M16 | W1M15 | 0,959 | 0,954 | -2,710 | 1,049 | |
| | W1M17 | 0,972 | 0,970 | 0,815 | 0,959 | |
| | OPT | 0,977 | 0,977 | -0,021 | 1,021 | |
| W1M17 | W1M15 | 0,955 | 0,942 | -4,434 | 1,106 | |
| | W1M16 | 0,975 | 0,963 | -3,203 | 1,117 | |
| | OPT | 0,988 | 0,987 | 0,041 | 0,976 | |

Table 13.6 Results of stormflow simulations using AP15 in the distributed R-index method with optimised and transferred parameters

| | Catchment Parameters | Objective Functions | | | | |
|-----------|-------------------------|---------------------|-------|--------|----------|--|
| Catchment | | D | E | a | <u>b</u> | |
| | | | | | | |
| W1M15 | W1M16 | 0,643 | 0,639 | -0,787 | 0,936 | |
| | W1M17 | 0,652 | 0,639 | -0,276 | 0,891 | |
| | OPT | 0,726 | 0,726 | -0,696 | 0,986 | |
| W1M16 | W1M15 | 0,946 | 0,937 | 1,550 | 0,911 | |
| | W1M17 | 0,954 | 0,949 | 1,515 | 0,938 | |
| | OPT | 0,956 | 0,956 | -1,055 | 1,107 | |
| W1M17 | W1M15 | 0,985 | 0,983 | -0,175 | 0,969 | |
| | W1M16 | 0,987 | 0,976 | -3,320 | 1,108 | |
| | OPT | 0,987 | 0,988 | -0,630 | 1,009 | |
| | | | | | | |

The transferability of model parameters from a sub-catchment to a larger catchment or vice versa may be affected by the relative size of the subcatchment to the larger catchments. Areas of catchments WIM15, WIM16 and WIM17 are 13,65 km², 3,22 km² and 0,67 km² respectively. Thus, the smallest catchment (WIM17) is 4,0 percent of the area of WIM15 and WIM16 is 23,5 percent of this area. Catchment WIM17 is 20,8 percent of the area of catchment WIM16. However, if catchment area is unimportant and model parameters are consistent for all sub-units (CN's) in a catchment then these parameters should be transferable from one catchment to another without substantial losses in model accuracy.

From a comparison of the optimum objective functions of each catchment in Zululand with those obtained using the model with parameters obtained from calibrations up or downstream (Tables 13.4, 13,5 and 13,6), it is evident that goodness of fit of the model, based on E, is reduced when transferred parameters are used. This reduction in accuracy is generally not substantial with the greatest reduction in E being from 0,760 to 0,592 for catchement W1M15 using the parameters of catchment W1M17 and the catchment wetness index AP5 (Table 13.4). Examining the corresponding values of D, a and b for this catchment indicates that systematic errors increased more than random errors.

Whether the distributed R-index model is calibrated up or downstream from a test catchment does not appear to result in notably different decreased in model accuracy from the optimised model's accuracy. What is revealed as important in transferring model parameters is that the catchment wetness index most suitable for the test catchment does not change. A summary of parameters which were most successfully transferred to test catchments and the associated catchment wetness index is given in Table 13.7.

Table 13.7 Eatchment's parameters must successfully transferred to a test catchment and the catchment wetness index used

| Test | Most Suitable | Catchment Wetness | | |
|-----------|---------------|-------------------|--|--|
| Catchment | Parameters | Index | | |
| W1M15 | W1M16 | AP5 | | |
| W1M16 | W1M17 | AP10 | | |
| W1M17 | W1M16 | AP15 | | |

The three catchment wetness indices for each test catchment in Table 13.7 are the same as those found to give the best optimised results in these catchments (cf Section 13.3.1).

13.4 Conclusions

The distributed R-index method using CN's as response indices in the three Zululand catchments has been shown to be successful in terms of simulation accuracy and transferability of model parameters for stormflow estimates up or downstream from the point of calibration. Response indices other than CN's could be used in this model and where adequate data exists the storm rainfall and antecedent rainfall for each sub-unit may be determined and possibly improve model accuracy. Estimation of total storm discharge from these catchments was also accurate using this model.

Antecedent moisture conditions were, once again, shown to be important in determining the accuracy of the R-index model using either optimised or transferred parameters. Errors in model parameters values and inputs to the model gave rise to simulation inaccuracies. A better understanding of the magnitude of these inaccuracies in relation to the parameter and input errors is, however, required. This problem is addressed in the following chapter.

Chapter 14 ERROR ANALYSIS

The preceding calibrations and tests of the R-index model have been conducted assuming the inputs and model parameters to be accurate. Accora ding to Troutman (1982) input variables for hydrological models are never error free. Since the determination of model parameters is affected by inaccuracies in input data, the optimised values should also be regarded as estimates of the 'true' parameter values. Error analyses are described in this chapter which are intended to provide a preliminary guide to the type of errors which may be expected in using the R-index method.

14.1 Source of model errors

Errors in calculated stormflow volumes using the R-index method may be apportioned as follows:

$$E_T = f(R_E, P_E, CWI_E, B_E, U_E)$$

where

| ET | ÷ | total error in calculated stormflow volume |
|----------------|---|--|
| R _E | | error in estimated R-indices |
| PE | 2 | error in estimated storm rainfall |
| CWIE | | error in estimated catchment wetness index |
| β _E | ÷ | error in estimated model parameters and |
| UE | ÷ | variability in stormflow volumes unexplained by the model. |

Errors in estimated model parameters based on observed input data may in turn be defined as:

$$B_E = f(R_E, P_E, CWI_E, Q_{OE}, U_E)$$

where

Q_{OE} = errors in observed stormflow volumes used to calibrate the model. From an analysis of input errors in rainfall-runoff models, Troutman (1988) concluded that severe errors in estimated stormflow volumes from a nonlinear regression model could result from inaccuracies in estimated storm rainfall. Furthermore, such inaccuracies may also give rise to substantial bias in the estimated parameter values. The errors in calculated stormflow volumes associated with inaccuracies in storm rainfall and model parameters are dealt with in the following analyses and discussion.

14.2 Aims and procedures

The distributed R-index method incorporating curve numbers has been shown to be a suitable technique for estimating stormflow volumes (cf Chapter 13). Using this version of the R-index model in the three Zululand catchments (W1M15, W1M16 and W1M17) the following investigations were undertaken:

- (a) An assessment was made of the increase in model errors, based on the coefficient of efficiency, associated with inaccuracies in model parameters.
- (b) The effect on calculated stormflow volumes of systematic inaccuracies in storm rainfall inputs were evaluated.

The initial investigation was conducted by increasing and decreasing individual model parameters by up to 20 percent of the optimised parameter value for the study catchment. The two remaining parameters were held at their optimised values while changes in the value of E were monitored. This procedure was repeated for each parameter and the change in E was plotted against the associated increase or decrease in parameter value. Optimised parameter values were taken to be those obtained using observed stormflow and input variables and the most suitable catchment wetness index for the catchment (cf Chapter 13).

A set of storm rainfall data was established covering the range of values observed in the three Zululand catchments. The computer programme INDST was adapted to permit increases or decreases in these values by a specified amount (percent). Similarly, the appropriate catchment wetness index could be neither increased or decreased. The optimised model parameters and associated wetness index for each catchment were used to calculate storm= flow volumes. Three amounts of antecedent rainfall were selected for each cationment, these amounts dovering the range observed in the original sate sets. For each level of antecedent rainfall the stormflow volumes were calculated using storm rainfalls systematically underestimated and over= estimated by specified amounts. The percent change in stormflow volumes for the various storm rainfalls and three selected antecedent moisture conditions could thus be assessed.

14.3 Results and discussions

Changes in the coefficient of efficiency (E) associated with changes in the three parameters of the R-index model optimised on data from catchments WIM15, WIM16 and WIM17 are illustrated in Figure 14.1. In each catchment the maximum reduction in E corresponding to errors in individual parameters was associated with β_2 the storm rainfall parameter (Figure 14.1). He parameter having the least effect on E in each catchment was β_3 (catchment wetness index parameter). Both β_1 and β_2 had a limited effect on E even for deviations of 20 percent above or below the optimised values.

The parameter changes given in Figure 14.1 are percentage values. Since the value of parameter β_2 is substantially greater than that of β_1 or β_3 in each catchment (cf Table 13.1), the larger absolute change in β_2 values may account for the greater reduction in the associated values of E. However, by adjusting each of the three parameters of the R-index model by fixed amounts the changes in E were similar to those presented in Figure 14.1. Underestimation of β_2 in catchments W1M16 and W1M17 (Figure 14.1 b and c) resulted in more substantial decreases in E than did overestimation of this parameter. In catchment W1M15 (Figure 14.1 a) the direction of the error in parameter estimation did not result in substantial differences in the reduction of E.

While errors in the parameter β_2 may result in substantial losses in model accuracy this does not necessarily warrant the use of additional decimal places in optimising this parameter. An inaccuracy of 0.01 in β_2 is an error of less than 0.62 percent of the optimised value in each of the three Zululand catchments and referring to Figure 14.1 it may be deduced that the associated reduction in E which may be expected would be minimal. Optimising model parameters to two decimal places does not appear to be justified particularly when the required computer time is considered.
Figure 14.1 Changes in the coefficient of efficiency (E) associated with changes in parameter values above and below optimized values for catchments (a) W1M15, [b) W1M16 and (c) W1M17





Figure 14.1 (continued)





The relationship between the number of sterations and computer treerequired to optimise model parameters using the programme INDST for 44 events in each of the Zululand catchments is illustrated in Figure 14.2. The relationships were developed for the Univac 1100 computer at the University of Natal.

Figure 74.2 Relationship between the number or iterative steps and computer time for the programme INDST using 43 stormflow events in the three Zululand catchments



A minimum of 15 seconds is required to run INDST while the relationship between the iterative steps and computer time is also a function of the number of sub-units in each catchment (W1M15=7, W1M16=4 and W1M17=61. This relationship may be described by the following expression:

$$T = 15.0 + \frac{c_n}{7.143}L$$
 (14.1)

where:

T = computer time (s)
C_n = number of R-index sub-units and
I = number of iterations.

The following example illustrates the importance of reducing to a minimum the number of iterations required for model calibration:

The programme INDST is set to test parameters between the following limits for catchments W1M15:

β₁ : 0,010 - 0,080

B₀ : 1,400 - 1,800

B₂ : 0,100 - 0,500

The first test is conducted using parameters accurate to two decimal places (I = 20 000) and then repeated using β_2 accurate to three decimal places (I = 200 000). The first test would require 5,449 h of computer time compared to 54,448 hours for the second test.

It must, however, be pointed out that convergence to the final solution generally requires substantially less time by using larger iterative steps during the initial calibration runs and then re-defining narrower parameter limits for runs using finer iterative steps.

The parameter β_2 associated with storm rainfall in the distributed R-index model has been shown to be a critical model parameter affecting the accuracy of stormflow simulations. Errors in estimated storm rainfall may also give rise to substantial inaccuracies in calculated stormflow depths. The error in calculated stormflow depths associated with over-estimation and under-estimation of storm rainfall is illustrated for each of the three Zululand catchments in figure 14.3. These tests were conducted using three

Fugure 16.3 Percent error is calculated starefly repth associated upp errors in storm rainfall for three levels of ante-edest rainfall (AP) for catchments (a) W1M15. (b) W1M16 and (c) W1M17



STORM RAINFALL (mm)









STORM RAINFALL (mm)

levels of antecedent rainfall for each catchment to determine whether the nature of stormflow errors in each catchment would be influenced by the antecedent moisture conditions.

14.4 Conclusions

The sensitivity of the R-index model to errors in parameter values and storm rainfall input has been dealt with briefly in this chapter. These tests were intended to highlight the potential sources and magnitudes of errors in calculating stormflow volumes using this method. Although the results pertain specifically to the three Zululand catchments it may be expected that the parameter B_2 would be as important in other catchments. Furthermore, errors in calculated stormflows resulting from inaccuracies in storm rainfall input are likely to be of a similar magnitude to those found in this study since B_2 values do not vary considerably from catchment to catchment. However, future research in this area is required and attention needs to be given to the combined effect of inaccuracies in parameters and input variables.

Chapter 15 SIMULATION OF STORMFLOW VOLUME USING THE R-INDEX METHOD: CONCLUSIONS

The R-index method has been shown to be a relatively simple procedure for simulating stormflow volumes. Despite the simplicity of the model the results obtained in this study have indicated that the technique may be readily adapted for calculating stormflows in a variety of environmentally dissimilar regions of South Africa, but all the presented work requires extensive verification. The salient features of conclusions reached in this investigation may be summarised as follows:

- (a) The model calibrates stormflows accurately in selected semi-arid, subhumid catchments of South Africa. However, model parameters differ markedly from region to region.
- (b) Initial flow rate is generally a good index of catchment moisture status for calculating stormflow volumes. Antecedent rainfall is a highly satisfactory surrogate for this variable in the R-index method resulting in more accurate simulations of stormflow volumes in some catchments. The use of A-pan evaporation in the catchment wetness index did not not improve the accuracy of stormflow calibrations.
- (c) The number of days antecedent rainfall which is most suitable for stormflow calculations varies from region to region.
- (d) Antecedent moisture conditions are more important in determining stormflow volumes in humid and sub-humid catchments than in semi-arid catchments. Also, this variable affects simulations of small and intermediate size stormflow events more than it influences the larger events.
- (e) Exponential transformations of stormflow response result in more normalised frequency distributions of the variable. Substantially fewer observations are required to determine an unbiased estimate of the R-index when normalised rather than skewed data are used.
- (f) Regional R-indices may be related to mean annual discharge response. Future research is, however, required to substantiate this observation and to determine the effect of catchment area on the R-index.
- (g) Curve numbers may be used with some success in place of the R-index in a distributed R-index model. This distributed model is a viable procedure for simulating stormflow from sub-units in a catchment.

- (h) The transferability of model parameters up or down stream of a gauging point is possible without incurring substantial errors in the calculated stormflows but attention needs to be given to the effect of catchment area on the parameter values.
- (i) Calibrating the parameters of the R-index model to two decimal places appears to be justified. While the programmes INDEX and INDST were adequate for the purpose of this study, the use of more advanced procedures for parameter determination may reduce the required computer time.
- (j) Errors in estimating storm rainfall or the associated model parameter $(\beta_{\rm p})$ results in substantial errors in calculated stormflows.

Many of the conclusions reached in this study of the R-index method concur with findings reported for the investigation into the SCS model. In the concluding chapter attention is given to the common findings of the two studies as well as to future research needs.

SIMULATION OF STORMFLOW VOLUMES FROM SMALL CATCHMENTS: CONCLUSIONS AND FUTURE RESEARCH

The simulation of stormflow volumes using two conceptually different procedures has been undertaken with particular attention being given to the catchment moisture status component of each model. Both models are intended to be simple procedures requiring limited information for storm: flow simulations, a constraint which has been adhered to in this reseach. Despite the notable differences in model structure, a number of findings were common to both the SCS and R-index models, viz:

- (a) Stormflow could be simulated more accurately when distributed rather than lumped models were used.
- (b) The simulation of small stormflow events is particularly difficult, large relative errors being common regardless of the procedure used. Since these smaller events are generally not of concern to engineers or planners this was not regarded as a major consideration in evalua: ting these models. However, calibrating the model on small events may give rise to substantial errors in estimated parameter values. Attempts to calibrate the R-index method on four small Catchments (areas: 0,027 km² - 0,059km²) near La Mercy on the coastal belt of Natal using small events substantiated this conclusion.
- (c) The period of antecedent rainfall optimally associated with stormflow volumes varies from region to region. The results indicated that topographical and pedalogical characteristics of a catchment may be related to the number of days antecedent rainfall which should be considered for calculating stormflow volumes. Despite regional differences in the most suitable antecedent period, the use of 10 to 15 days antecedent rainfall is suited to most catchments for stormflow simulations since inaccuracies are not substantial when this period is used.
- (d) The curve number concept is valuable for representing the stormflow potential of a catchment whether it is used as intended in the SCS model or as a response index in the R-index model.

While both the SCS and R-index models may be regarded as simple procedures

for calculating stormflow volumes, the modified SCS model as used in this research required a more sophisticated antecedent moisture procedure and more input variables for improved stormflow simulations to be achieved. A major difficulty in using the R-index method is that parameters of this model are not fixed for all catchments and regional values would have to be established for Southern Africa.

Further improvements to the SCS model are likely to be restricted by the structure and assumptions of the model. While individual components of the model may undergo improvements and more sophisticated procedures could be developed, attention should also be focussed on the central aspect of the model, the curve number. South African soils have been classified hydrologically for curve number determinations by Schulze and Arnold (1979) this classification being based on a subjective assessment of the soils accoreding to specified criteria. Experimental attention needs to be given to the stormflow potential of South African soils under various vegetation covers or land-use. The curve number concept is valuable for stormflow estimates using both the SCS and R-index methods.

The effect of catchment area on stormflow volumes in small catchments (< 50 km²) is generally neglected. Results presented in this study have indicated that area may be an important variable to consider particularly when the average stormflow response is being examined. Although Hewlett <u>et</u> <u>al</u> (1977) found no relationship between stormflow response and catchment physiography, these variables may be important in sub-humid or semi-arid catchments. However, analyses of this type would require a large sample of small catchments with adequate rainfall and stormflow records. The lack of suitable data from small catchments in South Africa is a major difficulty which researchers in the field of stormflow modelling have to deal with.

Temporary gauging structures may offer a possible short-term solution to the problem of inadequate stormflow records for many regions of South Africa. While permanent structures are obviously desirable, temporary structures would permit the determination of R-indices, model parameters and could assist in determining which models are most suited to the region. The regionaliation of model parameters and the determination of suitable antecedent rainfall indices for stormflow models would also be possible. In dealing with the modified SCS model and R-index method attention has been directed at the application of these procedures to ungauged catchs ments. While this is likely to be a principal objective of future research into the two selected stormflow models it is essential that such studies be accompanied by research of a more fundamental nature. Results presented in this study have indicated that there is a possible relationship between the soils and topography of a catchment and the number of days antecedent rains fall optimally associated with stormflow volumes. If the processes responsible for such a relationship could be understood and quantified then the task of selecting an antecedent rainfall index for use in stormflow calculations may have a more sound basis.

While the SCS and R-index models have many features in common the two procedures are based on different assumptions and are structurally distinct. No attempt was made in this study to compare model performance on controlled sets of data. An important phase in stormflow modelling in small catchments of South Africa will be a comparative study of model performance. However, due to the vast range of environmental conditions found in South Africa it is unlikely that a single model will be suitable for the entire country.

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APPENDICES

APPENDIX |

The derivation of CN units from catchments soils and vegetation data for catchments:

| (a) | W1M16 |
|----------------|-------|
| (5) | W1M17 |
| (\mathbf{c}) | U2M20 |
| (d) | V2M28 |
| (e) | V7M03 |

Note: Curve numbers were combined generally of the basis of the second series, similarity of CN values and where small areas of a CN were within larger units of another CN (areas of <3 % of the catchment area). Where deep and shallow soil phases were identified, these have been indicated by the symbols (D) and (S) respectively.

(a) W1M16

| Soil | | Vegetation/Land-use | | | | CN |
|-------------|--------|---------------------|-----------|----|--------|------|
| Series | Hyd Gp | Type | Condition | CN | Prop | Unit |
| Marsh | - | - | - | 98 | v144 | ÷ |
| Katspruit | D | Veld + 50 % Rock | Good | 90 | ,149 - | 1 |
| Katspruit | D | Veld + 35% Rock | Good | 87 | ,080 | 2 |
| Katspruit | D | Woods | Fair | 79 | ,010 - |] |
| Robmore (S) | C | Veld | Good | 74 | ,303 - | 1 |
| Robmore (S) | C | Woods | Good | 70 | ,006 | 3 |
| Robmore (S) | С | Woods | Fair | 73 | ,001 | |
| Robmore (S) | С | Straight row crop | Poor | 85 | .012 - | 1 |
| Robmore (D) | В | Veld | Good | 61 | ,256 - | T |
| Robmore (D) | в | Woods | Good | 55 | ,005 | |
| Robmore (D) | В | Woods + 35 % Rock | Good | 71 | ,012 | 4 |
| Robmore (D) | в | Woods | Fair | 60 | ,017 | |
| Robmore (D) | В | Straight row crop | Poor | 78 | ,004 - | |

| CN Unit | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | |
|-------------|------|------|------|------|--|
| CN | 98,0 | 88,5 | 74,3 | 61,5 | |
| Proportion | 0,14 | 0,24 | 0,32 | 0,30 | |
| Froporation | 0,14 | ₩,24 | 0,32 | 0,30 | |

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| Soil | | Vegetation/Land-use | | | | C.N. | |
|---------------|-------------|---------------------|-----------|-----|------|------|--|
| Series | Hyd Gp Type | | Condition | CN | Prop | Unit | |
| Trafalgar (D) | в | Forest | Good | 55 | .016 | | |
| Marsh | - | - | - | 98 | ,078 | 7 2 | |
| Rock 100 % | - | - | - | 100 | .005 |] | |
| Katspruit | D | Forest | Fair | 79 | ,003 | ٦ | |
| Katspruit | D | Veld + 50 % Rock | Good | 90 | ,019 | 3 | |
| Katspruit | D | Veld + 35 % Rock | Good | 87 | ,120 | _ | |
| Robmone (S) | C | Veld | Good | 74 | ,223 | 1 | |
| Robmore (S) | С | Forest + 35 % Bock | Good | 80 | .002 | 4 | |
| Robmore (S) | C | Forest | Fair | 73 | ,034 | | |
| Robmone (S) | В | Straight row crop | Poor | 77 | ,013 |] | |
| Robmore (D) | B | Veld | Good | 61 | ,141 | 7 5 | |
| Robmore (D) | В | Forest | Fair | 60 | ,003 |] | |
| Oatsdale | A | Veld | Good | 39 | ,307 | 1 | |
| Oatsdale | A | Forest | Fair | 36 | ,015 | 6 | |
| Oatsdale | A | Straight row crop | Poor | 66 | ,012 | _ | |

| CN Unit | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | б |
|------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| CN | 55,0 | 98,0 | 87,2 | 74,1 | 61,0 | 39,8 |
| Proportion | 0,02 | 0,08 | 0,14 | 0,27 | 0,14 | 0,34 |
| | | | _ | | | |

1.61 U2M20

| Soil | | Vegetation/Land-use | | | | CN | |
|-----------|--------|---------------------|-----------|----|------|------|--|
| Series | Hyd Gp | Туре | Condition | CN | Prop | Unit | |
| Mispah | c. | Woods | Fair | 73 | .068 | - | |
| Clovelly | В | Woods | Fair | 60 | ,107 | 1 | |
| Clovelly | В | Veld | Fair | 69 | ,728 | | |
| Hutton | В | Veld | Fair | 69 | ,061 | | |
| Katspruit | D | Veld | Good | 80 | ,036 | 2 | |
| | | | | | | | |

| CN Unit | 1 | 2 | _ |
|------------|------|------|---|
| CN | 68,3 | 80.0 | |
| Propertion | 0,96 | 0,04 | |
| | | | |

(d) V1M28

| Soil | | Vegetation/Land-use | | | CN | |
|--------|----------------------------|--|---|---|---|--|
| Hyd Gp | Туре | Condition | CN | Prop | Unit | |
| В | Veld | Fair | 69 | , 383 | ן ר | |
| В | Veld | Fair | 69 | ,463 | 1 | |
| C | Veld | Fair | 79 | ,014 | 7 2 | |
| C | Veld | Fair | 79 | ,140 |] | |
| | Hyd Gp B B C C | Vegetation/L Hyd Gp Type B Veld B Veld C Veld C Veld | Vegetation/Land-useHyd GpTypeConditionBVeldFairBVeldFairCVeldFairCVeldFairCVeldFair | Vegetation/Land-useHyd GpTypeConditionCNBVeldFair69BVeldFair69CVeldFair79CVeldFair79CVeldFair79 | Vegetation/Land-useConditionCNPropHyd GpTypeConditionCNPropBVeldFair69,383BVeldFair69,463CVeldFair79,014CVeldFair79,140 | |

| CN Unit | 1 | 2 |
|------------|------|------|
| CN | 69,0 | 79,0 |
| Proportion | 0,85 | 0,15 |
| | | |

UZM03

| Soul | | Vegetation/Land-use | | | | CN |
|-----------|--------|---------------------|-----------|-----|------|------|
| Series | Hyd Gp | Туре | Condition | CN. | Prop | Unit |
| Mispan | Ċ | Vela | Pair | 79 | ,293 | 1.1 |
| Longlands | C | Veld | Fair | 79 | ,219 | 1 |
| Clovelly | В | Veld | Fair | 69 | ,488 | 2 |
| | | | | | | |

| Cl it | 1 | 2 | |
|------------|------|------|--|
| CN | 79,0 | 69,0 | |
| Proportion | 0,51 | 0,49 | |
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APPENDIX 2

Storm rainfall, stormflow and associated antecedent rainfall, runoff and actual evapotranspiration used in testing the SCS model in catchments WiM16, WiM17, U2M20, ViM28 and V7M03:

The abbreviations used are as follows:

| D | = | date (day, month, year) |
|-----|----|--|
| P | 2 | storm rainfall (mm) |
| Q | 2 | stormflow (mm) |
| AP | | antecedent rainfall (mm) |
| OAR | | observed antecedent runoff (mm) |
| CAR | a. | calculated antecedent runoff (mm) |
| OAE | - | 'observed' (regression equation) actual |
| | | evapotranspiration (mm) |
| CAE | = | calculated actual evapotranspiration (mm |

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| VADIANL | ΔN | TECEDENT PE | NTAD (DAYS) | | TON |
|------------|--|--|---|---|------------------------------------|
| VARIABLE - | (20-16) | (15-11) | (1)-06) | (05-01) | INFURMATION |
| | 4.900 1.592 1.519 8.433 6.617 | 3.600 1.457 1.116 8.213 6.617 | 40.100 3.306 12.431 27.696 18.724 | 9.700 1.246 3.007 10.655 6.617 | D:22 12 76 P: 67.7 D: 10.956 |
| | 1 • 400 2 • 764 • 434 6 • 783 6 • 210 | 1.700 1.546 .527 7.066 6.710 | 12.900 1.165 3.999 11.066 0.210 | 11.200 1.565 3.472 13.527 6.210 | 0:2+ 1 77 P: +3.8 0: 4.538 |
| | 3 • 100 2 • 259 • 961 • 340 • 210 | 3.400 1.383 1.054 7.622 6.210 | 15.200 1.546 5.022 14.419 5.210 | 61.100 6.788 18.941 39.528 24.904 | 0:20 1 77 P: 51.2 Q: 12.139 |
| | 1 • 700 1 • 587 • 527 7 • 185 6 • 210 | 11.600 1.213 3.596 10.485 6.210 | 11.500 1.565 3.565 13.569 6.210 | 114.200 24.409 35.432 66.654 25.642 | D:29 1 77 P: 71.4 0: 18.547 |
| | 3.400 1.336 1.054 7.622 4.937 | 16.200 1.529 5.022 14.419 4.937 | 116.400 18.943 36.084 69.412 20.386 | 76.800 32.615 23.808 46.201 20.386 | D: 1 2 77 P: 40.9 Q: 9.121 |
| | 138.100 39.117 42.811 79.569 20.386 | 41.400 26.103 12.834 26.588 13.972 | 304 • 200 244 • 896 94 • 302 170 • 054 20 • 386 | • 000 19•138 • 000 5•785 4•937 | D:14 2 77 P:188.7 O: 71.543 |
| | 303.000 249.290 93.930 169.043 20.386 | 84.300 38.257 26.133 50.979 20.386 | 104.400 75.314 32.364 61.479 20.386 | 8.300 14.967 2.573 10.391 4.937 | D:25 2 77 P: 17.7 0: 1.716 |
| | 1 • 900 20 • 705 • 589 6 • 932 3 • 994 | 24.100 14.112 7.471 19.050 3.994 | 12.900 9.784 3.999 12.153 3.994 | 5.700 6.818 1.767 7.538 3.994 | D:10 3 77 P: 25.3 Q: 2.338 |
| | 24.100 15.233 7.471 18.688 3.994 | 12.800 10.174 3.968 11.857 3.994 | 3.500 7.209 1.085 6.107 5.994 | 28.600 9.245 8.856 20.999 6.296 | D:14 3 77 P:104.0 0: 30.049 |

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| | ANTECEDENT PENTAD (DAYS) | | | | T. 10 H |
|--------------------------------|--|---|--|---|------------------------------------|
| ARIABLE | (20-16) | (15-11) | (10-06) | (05-01) | INFORMATION |
| AP DAR CAR CAR CAR | 12.000 10.146 3.968 12.099 3.994 | 3 • 500 7 • 060 1 • 085 6 • 349 3 • 994 | 74.100 14.987 22.971 45.346 13.574 | 58.500 39.836 18.135 35.709 13.183 | D:20 3 77 P: 27.8 Q: 5.161 |
| | .000 10.849 .000 .000 2.679 | 5.200 5.498 1.612 .069 5.130 | 6.000 5.653 1.869 .716 5.130 | 1 • 100 4 • 2+2 • 341 • 000 2 • 679 | D:10 4 77 P: 18.3 Q: 1.155 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | +000 +315 +000 +000 4 +758 | 2.500 .254 .775 .000 4.758 | 9 • 100 • 377 2 • 8 2 1 3 • 356 9 • 112 | 21.600 .440 6.696 13.658 17.529 | D:24 9 77 P: 72.4 Q: 6.091 |
| AP DAR DAR DAE CAE | • 000 • 302 • 000 • 000 4 • 758 | • 000 • 236 • 000 • 000 4 • 758 | 24.600 .507 7.625 16.119 17.529 | 123.500 8.454 38.285 98.617 19.647 | D:27 9 77 P: 30.1 Q: 3.249 |
| AP DAR CAE CAE | 48.600 .479 15.066 30.721 20.243 | 113.500 15.461 35.185 65.069 22.689 | 2.400 2.666 .744 7.082 5.495 | 26.800 2.776 8.308 19.785 5.495 | 0: 4 10 77 P: 23.1 Q: 6.446 |
| DUDAR DUDAR DUDAR | 20.300 5.529 6.293 15.910 5.843 | 16.500 2.665 5.115 15.305 5.843 | 72 • 6 00 1 • 3 6 4 22 • 5 6 8 44 • 4 0 2 24 • 1 2 3 | 9.100 1.038 2.821 10.099 5.843 | D: 9 11 77 P: 52.1 Q: 10.549 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | 16.50D 2.365 5.115 15.305 5.843 | 72.800 2.622 22.568 44.402 24.123 | 7 • 100 1 • 002 2 • 201 9 • 018 5 • 8 43 | 57.100 14.587 17.701 36.763 23.428 | D:14 11 77 P: 24.8 Q: 1.541 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | 10.000 1.778 3.100 10.827 6.725 | •000 •703 •000 5•182 6•725 | 30.300 .727 9.393 22.883 12.876 | 9.300 2.308 2.883 12.983 6.725 | D:19 12 77 P: 56.5 Q: 8.256 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | •000 •727 •000 5•302 6•725 | 10.600 .692 3.286 12.237 6.725 | 28.900 2.502 8.959 22.972 12.878 | 73.100 11.194 22.661 47.099 27.766 | D:23 12 77 P: 28.6 Q: 3.045 |

| | ANTECEDENT PENTAD (DAYS) | | | | |
|---------------------------------|--|--|--|--|-----------------------------------|
| VARIABLE | (20-16) | (15-11) | (10-06) | (05-01) | INFURMATION |
| AP DAR CAR CAE | 18.400 4.685 5.704 16.368 5.887 | 7.800 9.373 2.418 9.879 5.887 | 199.500 68.342 61.845 112.388 24.306 | 38.900 34.467 12.059 26.686 16.659 | D:27 1 78 P: 27.3 0: 3.065 |
| AP DAR CAR CAE CAE | 26.500 20.724 8.215 19.297 4.885 | 6.000 13.363 1.860 8.545 4.885 | 7.300 5.220 2.263 10.092 4.885 | 27.900 6.777 8.649 19.172 9.355 | 0:12 2 78 P: 34.0 Q: 3.178 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | 7 • 300 5 • 554 2 • 263 10 • 370 4 • 885 | 27.900 6.447 8.649 19.897 9.355 | 34.000 11.632 10.540 23.314 9.355 | 44.200 5.567 13.702 29.429 13.824 | D:21 2 78 P: 24.5 Q: 13.876 |
| DAR DAR DAR DAE CAE | 50.900 10.984 15.779 32.724 14.121 | 8.900 7.331 2.759 9.388 3.833 | 61 • 200 21 • 752 18 • 972 39 • 099 15 • 371 | 15.700 8.475 4.867 14.028 3.833 | D: 1 3 78 P: 39.5 Q: 7.364 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | 61.900 7.074 19.189 38.548 15.371 | 10.300 22.132 3.193 11.472 3.833 | 53.500 18.776 16.616 34.147 14.121 | 5.600 7.479 1.736 7.846 3.833 | D: 9 3 78 P: 69.3 Q: 19.021 |
| | 73.503 30.202 22.785 44.816 15.827 | 000 8.161 000 4.819 3.833 | 2 • 800 4 • 757 • 868 6 • 574 3 • 833 | 29.500 2.887 9.145 21.847 7.341 | D:27 3 78 P:107.2 0: 16.864 |
| | .000 8.161 .000 .000 2.322 | 2 800 4 757 868 000 2 322 | 39.500 2.893 12.245 28.855 9.588 | 78.800 23.549 24.428 61.487 9.588 | D: 1 4 78 P: 19.8 0: 2.569 |
| | .000 4.865 .000 .000 2.322 | 27.200 5.817 8.432 18.456 8.554 | 3.800 3.319 1.178 .000 4.447 | 25.000 4.511 7.750 16.434 8.554 | D:22 4 78 P: 75.4 Q: 17.054 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | 3.000 3.615 .930 .000 2.322 | 24.500 5.692 7.595 16.074 8.554 | 19.700 4.468 6.107 12.018 6.572 | 84.800 24.637 26.288 66.202 9.588 | D:20 4 78 P: 26.3 Q: 1.113 |

| | ANTECEDENT PENTAD (DAYS) | | | | . STOPM |
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| | (20-16) | (15-11) | (10-06) | (05-01) | INFORMATION |
| AP DAR DAR DAE CAE | 1 • 700 3 • 208 • 527 • 000 2 • 330 | 4 • 600 2 • 539 1 • 426 • 000 4 • 463 | 2 000 2 084 000 2 330 | 6 • 200 2 • 279 1 • 922 • 845 4 • 463 | D: 3 6 78 P: 22.7 Q: 2.345 |
| | .000 1.808 .000 .000 2.960 | 7.300 1.460 2.263 1.705 5.668 | 7 • 2 0 0 2 • 6 6 6 2 • 2 3 2 1 • 5 2 7 5 • 6 6 8 | 20.300 2.345 6.293 12.404 8.376 | 0:11 7 78 P: 21.4 Q: 2.564 |
| | 29.800 2.879 9.238 20.401 16.404 | 4.000 1.705 1.240 .000 7.834 | +000 1+165 +000 +000 4+091 | 4.900 .687 1.519 .000 7.384 | D: 8 9 78 P: 56.0 Q: 6.611 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | 6 * 8 00 2 * 7 43 2 * 1 08 1 * 2 3 7 7 * 8 3 4 | 4.000 1.292 1.240 .000 7.834 | 1.200 .730 .372 .000 4.091 | 60.700 10.370 18.817 46.292 16.890 | D:12 9 78 P: 21.0 Q: 1.301 |

| VARIABLE | ΔΝ | TECEDENT PE | NTAD (DAYS) | | CT 10 M |
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| | (20-16) | (15-11) | (10-06) | (05-01) | INFORMATION |
| AP DAR CAR CAE CAE | 18.800 9.645 5.826 12.372 5.007 | 16.600 5.928 5.146 11.541 5.007 | 26 • 100 10 • 270 3 • 091 16 • 924 5 • 007 | 8.900 4.824 2.759 7.252 5.007 | D:24 11 76 P: 16.0 O: 1.090 |
| AP JAR CAR JAE CAE | 16.600 5.637 5.146 11.661 5.447 | 4.600 3.214 1.426 6.364 5.447 | 7 .500 5 .353 2 .263 6 .266 5 .447 | 7.500 2.959 2.325 7.574 5.447 | D:13 12 70 P: 18.6 Q: 1.426 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | 4.900 4.401 1.519 5.327 5.447 | 3.600 4.007 1.116 4.623 5.447 | 40 • 100 0 • 899 12 • 431 24 • 984 18 • 932 | 10.300 2.279 3.193 9.330 5.447 | D:22 12 76 P: 67.5 Q: 12.448 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | 1.400 3.408 .434 2.832 5.113 | 1.700 2.181 .527 2.994 5.113 | 12.500 1.913 3.875 9.441 5.113 | 11.600 2.407 3.596 8.834 5.113 | D:24 1 77 P: 44.8 Q: 5.097 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | 3 • 100 2 • 967 • 961 3 • 872 5 • 113 | 3.400 2.201 1.054 4.394 5.113 | 16.200 2.338 5.022 11.324 5.113 | 59.300 7.714 18.383 35.259 25.211 | D:26 1 77 P: 61.2 Q: 13.325 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | 1 • 7 00 2 • 232 • 527 2 • 994 5 • 113 | 11.600 1.868 3.596 8.954 5.113 | 11.500 2.472 3.565 8.780 5.113 | 114.200 26.159 35.402 64.502 25.642 | D:29 1 77 P: 71.4 Q: 25.456 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | 3.400 1.885 1.054 4.394 4.065 | 16.200 2.511 5.022 11.324 4.065 | 114.900 21.067 35.619 65.361 20.386 | 75.500 38.615 23.405 42.349 20.386 | D: 1 2 77 P: 40.9 0: 8.908 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | 000 20.856 000 2.314 2.707 | 188.700 119.234 58.497 103.276 13.574 | 1.900 21.937 .589 3.102 2.707 | 24.500 17.429 7.595 15.698 2.707 | D: 1 3 77 P: 11.9 Q: 1.084 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | 1.900 24.305 .589 2.502 2.707 | 24.100 18.583 7.471 15.721 2.707 | 12.900 13.782 3.999 8.578 2.707 | 4.700 9.846 1.457 3.658 2.707 | 0:10 3 77 P: 25.3 Q: 2.991 |

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| | ΔN | ANTECEDENT PENTAD (DAYS) | | | |
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| VARIABLE | (20-16) | (15-11) | (10-06) | (05-01) | INFOPMATION |
| DAR DAR DAE CAE | 24.100 16.283 7.471 15.241 2.707 | 12.800 14.025 3.968 8.524 2.707 | 3 • 5 00 10 • 4 90 1 • 0 85 2 • 8 89 2 • 7 0 7 | 28.600 12.757 8.866 17.678 6.138 | D:14 3 77 P:104.0 D: 34.254 |
| AP DAR DAR DAE CAE | 12.800 14.196 3.968 8.524 2.707 | 3.500 10.623 1.085 2.889 2.707 | 60 • 200 18 • 881 18 • 662 34 • 780 13 • 346 | 72.400 44.587 22.444 39.831 13.574 | 0:1→ 3 77 P: 28.0 Q: 5.715 |
| AP CAR CAR CAR CAE CAE | 000 12.369 000 000 2.205 | 000 11-247 000 000 2.205 | 11 • 100 | 200 6.336 062 000 2.205 | D:10 4 77 P: 18.4 Q: 1.604 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | .000 3.361 .000 .000 2.220 | 2.808 000 000 2.220 | 1.800 2.643 .558 .000 2.220 | 2 • 100 2 • 163 • 651 • 000 2 • 220 | D:14 6 77 P: 26.1 Q: 1.312 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | .000 1.071 .000 .000 3.918 | 2.500 .723 .775 .000 3.918 | 9.100 .962 2.821 1.574 8.884 | 6.800 1.045 2.108 .000 8.884 | 0:24 9 77 P: 74.3 0: 8.122 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | 000 837 000 000 3.918 | 2.500 .806 .775 .000 3.918 | 11.600 1.152 3.596 3.821 8.884 | 81.900 11.032 25.339 55.188 19.647 | D:27 9 77 P: 29.4 Q: 3.417 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | 11.600 1.227 3.596 6.914 4.524 | 105.800 13.346 32.798 58.514 22.689 | 6.500 7.492 2.015 4.153 4.524 | 5.700 1.741 1.767 6.120 4.524 | D: 7 10 77 P: 21.7 Q: 1.031 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | 28.300 1.231 8.773 16.195 10.260 | 85.500 18.241 26.505 46.803 22.689 | 2 • 4 00 2 • 955 • 7 4 4 3 • 4 9 3 4 • 5 2 4 | 26.700 3.843 8.277 15.929 4.524 | D: 9 10 77 P: 33.3 Q: 5.703 |
| | .000 1.846 .000 6.154 4.524 | 63.800 12.754 19.778 36.015 22.689 | 10.800 5.264 3.348 8.161 4.524 | 19.700 4.666 6.107 11.659 4.524 | 0:22 10 77 P: 17.5 0: 1.172 |

| | ANTECEDENT PENTAD (DAYS) | | | | | |
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| VARIABLO | (26-16) | (15-11) | (10-06) | (05-01) | INFORMATION | |
| DAR DAR DAE LAE | 46 • 300 13 • 131 14 • 503 27 • 411 20 • 810 | 13.200 3.914 4.092 9.220 4.524 | 24.100 6.288 7.471 14.281 4.524 | 6 • 100 2 • 794 1 • 891 5 • 856 4 • 524 | D:29 10 77 P: 15.6 C: .657 | |
| | 20 • 3 00 5 • 6 11 6 • 2 93 12 • 3 44 4 • 8 1 0 | 16.500 3.485 5.115 11.967 4.810 | 72.600 2.554 22.554 22.568 41.128 24.123 | 9.100 1.933 2.821 6.830 4.810 | D: 9 11 77 P: 52.1 Q: 11.550 | |
| | 15.400 2.960 4.774 11.371 4.810 | 73.900 3.417 22.909 41.723 24.123 | 6.800 1.940 2.108 5.635 4.510 | 54.100 16.013 16.771 31.843 23.718 | D:14 11 77 P: 15.0 0: 2.206 | |
| DAR CAR DAE CAE | 1 • 100 1 • 962 • 341 2 • 429 5 • 537 | 15.800 3.186 4.898 11.348 5.537 | 4.300 1.211 1.333 4.282 5.537 | 10.900 1.329 3.379 8.335 5.537 | D:14 12 77 P: 25.7 Q: .996 | |
| | 237.100 44.465 73.501 129.960 20.170 | 30.700 19.759 9.517 17.735 9.121 | 1 • 100 7 • 704 • 341 3 • 629 4 • 022 | 19.300 8.045 5.983 11.923 4.022 | D:10 2 78 P: 16.9 D: 1.193 | |
| DAR DAR DAR DAR DAR DAR DAR | 25 • 8 00 20 • 7 7 9 7 • 9 9 8 15 • 6 82 4 • 0 2 2 | 6.700 14.940 2.077 5.461 4.022 | 7 • 3 00 7 • 0 0 9 2 • 2 6 3 6 • 6 2 6 4 • 0 2 2 | 27.900 9.747 8.649 15.979 9.121 | D:12 2 78 P: 34.0 Q: 5.214 | |
| | *000 7*685 *000 3*034 4*022 | 24.000 8.150 7.440 14.467 4.022 | 44.500 16.552 13.795 25.566 13.978 | 9.000 7.937 2.790 6.706 4.022 | D:20 2 78 P: 33.8 Q: .111 | |
| AP DAR DAE CAE | 7 • 300 7 • 346 2 • 263 6 • 986 4 • 022 | 27.900 9.458 8.649 16.339 9.121 | 34.000 15.107 10.540 20.121 9.121 | 44.000 7.798 13.640 25.895 13.978 | D:21 2 78 P: 26.2 Q: 16.092 | |
| AP DAR DAR DAE SAE | 50.900 15.197 15.779 29.271 14.516 | 8.900 9.723 2.759 6.052 3.156 | 61 • 200 25 • 463 18 • 972 35 • 807 15 • 561 | 17.200 9.478 5.332 11.506 3.156 | D: 1 3 78 P: 39.3 0: 7.830 | |

| VARIABLE - | ΔN | ANTECEDENT PENTAD (DAYS) | | | | | | 10. | |
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| | (20-16) | (15-11) | (10-06) | (05-01) | t | INE | JR) | 441 | TUN |
| DAR CAR DAE | 54.800 7.984 16.988 31.742 | 17.100 26.567 5.301 11.812 | 15.500 20.042 4.805 9.625 | 1.600 9.422 .496 2.700 | DP | • | 8 73 | 3 | 7.5 |
| CAE DAR DAR DAR DAE CAE | 15.561 73.500 32.981 22.785 41.507 15.827 | 3.156 .000 9.591 .000 1.354 3.156 | 2 - 500 6 - 852 - 568 3 - 230 3 - 150 | 3.136 1.900 4.722 .589 3.582 3.136 | 0 0 0 | : :2 :1 : | 20. 7 08 32. | . 34 33 . 7 | 78 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | +100 9+425 +031 +000 1+912 | 2.800 6.852 .868 .000 1.912 | 1.900 4.751 .589 .000 1.912 | 107.100 41.197 33.201 88.036 9.538 | D P Q | : | 1 15 1 | 4 .6 .45 | 78 |
| AP DAR CAR OAE CAE | 3.800 6.991 1.178 .000 4.336 | 25.900 7.703 8.029 16.306 8.794 | 5.100 4.874 1.581 .000 4.336 | 18.600 6.511 5.766 10.072 6.644 | D P Q | : 2 : : | 2 75. 19. | 4 .6 .02 | 78 7 |
| | 3.400 4.869 1.054 .000 1.919 | 4.600 4.365 1.426 .000 4.351 | .000 3.775 .000 .000 1.919 | 7.500 4.158 2.325 .389 4.351 | D P Q | : | 3 22 2 | 6 . 7 . 1 4 | 78 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | 2.935 .000 .000 2.437 | 2.630 .000 .000 2.437 | 14.500 3.691 4.495 6.717 8.469 | 14.400 3.410 4.404 6.603 8.469 | D P O | : 1 : : | 1 22 2 | 7 7 | 78 3 |
| | 18.800 4.084 5.828 10.313 | 15.800 2.505 4.898 7.540 | 4.000 1.838 1.240 .000 7.638 | 2 • 20 0 1 • 65 3 • 68 2 • 00 0 3 • 36 8 | D P | : | 8 56. | 9 | 78 |
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| | 21.74J .UNU 2.57U .000 4.309 | +3.705 000 4.065 000 14.697 | 2 • 7 60 • 0 00 • 2 6 0 • 0 0 0 • 0 0 0 | 27.520 2.520 2.520 2.329 | 0:7. 170 2:29.7 0:2.495 |
| | 22.620 .000 2.100 .000 2.701 | .760 .000 .770 .060 2.701 | 32.080 .000 3.260 .000 .000 | 1 * .220 .000 1 .670 .010 2.721 | 1:1+ 1 73 1: 30.2 1: 341 |
| AP DAR DAR DAR DAR DI | 31.030 000 2.890 000 7.925 | 8.460 .000 .790 .000 2.613 | 20.200 .000 1.680 .000 2.013 | 22.530 .010 2.110 .000 2.613 | 0:12 11 75 0: 53.9 0: 1.363 |
| AP CAR JAR LAE | 39.463 .000 3.673 .000 14.486 | 16.480 .000 1.530 .000 3.924 | 14.370 .000 1.380 .300 3.024 | 10.580 000 900 000 3.024 | 0: 5 12 75 9: 25.5 0: .103 |
| | 19.340 .000 1.800 .000 3.024 | 24.410 .000 2.270 .000 3.024 | 10.950 .000 1.020 .000 3.024 | 2.130 .000 2.990 .000 .000 | 0: 4 12 75 P: 27.5 0: 3.027 |
| AP CAR CAR CAR CAR | 10.530 .900 .980 .000 3.024 | 65.770 .000 6.120 .000 20.579 | 7 • 5 8 3 • 0 0 0 • 7 1 0 • 0 0 0 3 • 0 2 4 | 5.0.0 .0.0 .570 .0.0 3.024 | 0:22 12 78 2: 17.3 0: .253 |
| AP JAR JAR JAR JAR JAR JAR JAR JAR JAR JAR | 65.770 .000 6.120 .300 20.579 | 9.370 000 920 000 3.024 | 33.333 .000 3.153 .000 9.175 | 26.2+0 .000 2.440 .000 3.024 | 0:25 L2 75 P: 36.0 C: 3.955 |
| AP JAR LAR LAE LAE | 6.873 .000 .820 .300 2.995 | 33.980 .000 3.150 .900 9.086 | 20.240 .000 2.440 .000 2.995 | +0.3:0 .0:0 3.7:0 .000 14.345 | 0:2 1 79 P:24.0 0: 1.390 |
| | 27.400 .000 2.460 .000 4.007 | 16.700 .000 1.550 .000 4.007 | 3 - 2 90 - 0 00 - 7 30 - 0 00 4 - 0 0 7 | 9.680 000 900 000 4.007 | D:15 2 79 P: 58.1 0: 1.292 |

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| | 40.33J .000 4.370 .000 15.635 | 27.930 063 2.560 000 2.465 | 31.370 000 2.420 500 7.433 | 7 . 2 + 0 . 0 0 0 . 6 7 0 . 0 0 0 2 . 4 0 6 | 0: _ 3 75 P: +0.3 0: 7.420 |
| Δ./· Δ Δ Δ | 7 .240 .000 .070 .000 2.455 | 4.4.4.97 .009 4.140 .709 11.314 | L | 7.000 | n:17 3 7, n:16.0 0: .201 |

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| ARIABLE | (20-16) | (15-11) | (10-06) | (45-01) | INFORMATION |
| | 0000 0000 0000 0000 162 | 14.600 .000 1.562 .000 3.162 | 31.900 .000 3.413 .000 10.113 | 31.400 .000 3.360 .030 10.133 | D:26 1 70 P: 28.9 Q: 3.938 |
| | 42.400 .000 4.537 .000 15.375 | 31.300 .000 3.349 .000 9.433 | 57.200 .000 6.120 .000 18.330 | 36.600 .000 3.915 .000 15.375 | D: 3 2 70 P: 31.5 Q: 16.383 |
| | 66.000 .000 7.062 .000 19.652 | 20.200 .000 2.161 .000 3.162 | 25.000 .000 2.782 .000 3.162 | 9.400 .000 1.006 .000 3.162 | D:23 1 72 P: 25.9 Q: 4.128 |
| AP DAR DAR DAR DAE CAE | 50.000 .000 5.350 .000 19.523 | 22.600 .000 2.418 .000 3.225 | 10.800 .000 1.156 .000 3.225 | 11.600 .000 1.241 .000 3.225 | D:21 12 76 P: 23.0 Q: .395 |
| | 6 • 100 • 000 • 653 • 000 3 • 370 | 16.900 .000 1.808 .000 3.370 | 14.400 .000 1.541 .000 3.370 | 11.700 .000 1.252 .000 3.370 | D:25 1 77 P: 22.4 Q: .370 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | 1.100 .000 .118 .000 2.187 | .700 .000 .075 .000 2.187 | 7 • 100 • 000 • 760 • 000 2 • 187 | .300 .000 .032 .000 2.187 | D: 1 3 77 P: 22.5 Q: .195 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | 6.200 .000 .663 .000 5.560 | 1 • 500 • 000 • 160 • 000 1 • 739 | 17.000 .000 1.819 .000 9.063 | 2.600 .000 .278 .000 1.739 | D: 7 4 77 P: 18.5 Q: 1.984 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | 20.800 .000 2.226 .000 10.254 | .200 .000 .021 .000 1.739 | 1.000 .000 .107 .000 1.739 | .000 .000 .000 .000 1.739 | D:23 4 77 P: 18.3 0: 1.984 |
| | 36.600 .000 3.916 .000 | 9.400 .000 1.006 .000 | 23.900 .000 2.557 .000 | .000 .000 .000 .000 | D:29 10 77 P: 24.7 0: 1.548 |

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| VAR145LE | (20-16) | (15-11) | (10-06) | (05-01) | INFORMATION |
| | 15.900 .000 1.701 .000 3.429 | 9.900 .000 1.059 .000 3.429 | 4 . 900 .000 .524 .000 3 . 429 | 6.500 .000 .696 .000 3.429 | 0:22 12 77 P: 24.7 0: .400 |
| | 4.403 .000 .471 .000 3.429 | 1.900 .000 .203 .000 3.429 | 26.500 .000 2.836 .000 3.429 | .500 .000 .054 .000 3.429 | D:30 12 77 P: 27.0 0: .800 |
| AP DAR DAR DAE CAE | 6 • 500 • 000 • 696 • 000 3 • 047 | 20.500 .000 2.194 .000 3.047 | 3 5.000 .000 4.066 .000 15.886 | 8.300 .000 .888 .000 3.047 | D: 6 1 78 P: 49.6 0: 7.189 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | 52 • 200 • 000 5 • 585 • 000 18 • 446 | 17.200 .000 1.840 .000 3.047 | 19.500 .000 2.086 .000 3.047 | 15.500 .000 1.658 .000 3.047 | D:23 1 78 P: 72.7 Q: 32.998 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | 19.500 .000 2.085 .000 2.942 | 15.500 .000 1.653 .000 2.942 | 81.200 .000 8.698 .000 13.282 | 2.900 .000 .310 .000 2.942 | D: 2 2 78 P: 26.6 0: 4.311 |
| AP OAR CAR DAE CAE | 17.100 .000 1.830 .000 6.895 | 19.400 .000 2.076 .000 6.895 | 7 - 200 - 000 - 770 - 000 4 - 229 | 10.000 .000 1.070 .000 4.229 | D:26 9 78 P: 21.4 0: .474 |

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| | (20-16) | (15-11) | (10-06) | (05-01) | INFURMATION |
| | •000 •000 •000 •000 •000 4 •671 | 14.600 .000 1.562 .000 4.671 | 31.900 .900 3.413 .000 13.442 | 31.400 .000 3.360 .000 13.442 | D:25 1 70 P: 39.0 Q: 7.259 |
| AP JAR CAR JAE CAC | 66.000 .000 7.062 .000 19.652 | 20.200 .000 2.161 .000 4.671 | 26.000 000 2.782 000 4.671 | 9.400 .000 1.006 .000 4.671 | D:28 1 72 P: 25.9 D: 7.244 |
| AP UAR UAR UAE CAE | 15.900 .000 1.701 .000 4.764 | 3.800 .000 .407 .000 4.764 | 0.000 0000 0000 4.764 | 13.400 .000 1.434 .000 4.754 | D: 2 12 76 P: 27.1 Q: 1.375 |
| AP JAR CAR JAE CAE | 50.000 .000 5.350 .000 19.824 | 22.600 .000 2.418 .000 4.764 | 10.800 000 1.156 000 4.764 | 11.600 .000 1.241 .000 4.754 | D:21 12 76 P: 24.1 Q: .387 |
| | 6.100 .000 .653 .000 4.978 | 16.900 .000 1.808 .000 4.978 | 14.400 .000 1.541 .000 4.978 | 11.700 .000 1.252 .000 4.978 | D:25 1 77 P: 22.4 Q: .487 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | 15.700 .000 1.680 .000 4.754 | 42.400 .000 4.537 .000 18.634 | 29.800 .000 3.189 .000 13.679 | 1.400 .000 .150 .000 4.754 | D: 7 2 77 P: 16+3 D: .909 |
| AP DAR CAR DAE CAE | 6 • 200 • 000 • 663 • 000 7 • 3 91 | 1.500 .000 .160 .000 2.569 | 17.000 .000 1.819 .000 10.068 | 2.600 .000 .278 .000 2.569 | D: 7 4 77 P: 18.5 Q: 1.530 |
| | 20.800 .000 2.226 .000 10.685 | 200 000 021 000 2.569 | 1.000 .000 .107 .000 2.569 | .000 .000 .000 .000 2.569 | D:23 4 77 P: 18.4 Q: .255 |
| | 36.600 .000 3.916 .000 | 9.400 .000 1.006 .000 3.410 | 23.900 000 2.557 000 3.410 | .000 .000 .000 .000 | D:29 10 77 P: 24.7 D: 3.992 |

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| VARIABLE | (20-16) | (15-11) | (10-06) | 4 (05-01) | INFURMATION |
| | 15.900 .000 1.701 .000 5.064 | 9.900 .000 1.059 .000 5.064 | 4.900 .000 .524 .000 5.064 | 6.500 .000 .696 .000 5.064 | D:22 12 77 P: 24.7 D: .481 |
| | 4 • 405 • 000 • 471 • 000 5 • 064 | 1.900 .000 .203 .000 5.064 | 25.500 000 2.836 .000 5.064 | .500 .000 .054 .000 5.054 | D:30 12 77 P: 27.0 0: .323 |
| DAR DAR CAR DAE CAE | 6.500 .000 .695 .000 4.501 | 20.500 .000 2.194 .000 4.501 | 38.000 .000 4.066 .000 17.048 | 8.300 .000 .888 .000 4.501 | D: o 1 78 P: 36.9 O: 6.546 |
| | 19.500 .000 2.086 .000 4.346 | 15.500 .000 1.658 .000 4.346 | 81.200 .000 8.683 .000 13.282 | 2.900 .000 .310 .000 4.346 | D: 2 2 78 P: 26.6 Q: 7.097 |
| | 17.100 .000 1.830 .000 7.659 | 19.400 .000 2.076 .000 7.659 | 7.200 .000 .770 .000 5.522 | 10.000 .000 1.070 .000 5.622 | D:20 9 78 P: 25.5 0: 2.010 |

APPENDIX 3

Scattergrams of calculated versus observed stormflow for catchment WIM16 based on optimum (OPT) and test (TEST) data for selected CN procedures:

CNA1 = average pentad CN CNS2 = moving average pentad CN CN5 = change in ¥ calculated over 5 days CN10 = change in ¥ calculated over 10 days CN15 = change in ¥ calculated over 15 days CN20 = change in ¥ calculated over 20 days





APPENDIX 4

Scattergrams of calculated versus observed stormflow for catchment WIM17 based on optimum (OPT) and test (TEST) data for selected CN procedures:

| CNA 1 | 3 | average pentad CN |
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| CNS2 | | moving average pentad CN |
| CN5 | | change in V calculated over 5 days |
| CN10 | ÷. | change in ¥ calculated over 10 days |
| CN 15 | Ξ | change in ¥ calculated over 15 days |
| CN20 | | change in ¥ calculated over 20 days |





APPENDIX 5

Scattergrams of calculated versus observed stormflow for catchment U2M20 based on optimum (OPT) and test (TEST) data for selected CN procedures:

| CNA 1 | -2 | average | pent | tad CN | | | |
|-------|----|----------|-------|------------|------|-----|------|
| CNS2 | - | moving a | ivera | ige pentad | CN | | |
| CN5 | - | change i | in ¥ | calculated | over | 5 4 | iays |
| CN 10 | = | change i | n ¥ | calculated | over | 10 | days |
| CN15 | ÷ | change i | n ¥ | calculated | over | 15 | days |
| CN20 | = | change i | n¥ | calculated | over | 20 | days |

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APPENDIX 6

Scattergrams of calculated versus observed stormflow for catchment V1M28 based on optimum (OPT) and test (TEST) data for selected CN procedures:

| CNA1 | 7 | average pentad CN | |
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| CNS2 | з | moving average pentad CN | |
| CN5 | | change in ¥ calculated over 5 days | |
| CN10 | ÷ | change in Ψ calculated over 10 day | 5 |
| CN15 | | change in ¥ calculated over 15 day | S |
| CN20 | = | change in ¥ calculated over 20 day | s |









APPENDIX 7

Scattergrams of calculated versus observed stormflow for catchment V7M03 based on optimum (OPT) and test (TEST) data for selected CN procedures:

| CNA 1 | = | average pentad CN |
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| CNS2 | = | moving average pentad CN |
| CN5 | = | change in ¥ calculated over 5 days |
| CN10 | Ξ | change in ¥ calculated over 10 days |
| CN15 | Ξ | change in ¥ calculated over 15 days |
| CN20 | Ξ | change in ¥ calculated over 20 days |







APPENDIX 8

Storm rainfall, stormflow, the associated initial flow rate and antecedent rainfall used for testing the R-index model in catchments W1M15, W1M16, W1M17, U2M20, V1M28 and V7M03

The abbreviations used are as follows:

| DY | 7 | day |
|------|----|--|
| MT | = | month |
| YR | ×. | year |
| Р | Ξ | storm rainfall (mm) |
| Q | = | stormflow (mm) |
| I. | Ξ | initial flow rate (mm.h ⁻¹) |
| AP05 | - | five-day antecedent rainfall total (mm) |
| AP10 | Ξ | ten-day antecedent rainfall total (mm) |
| AP15 | = | fifteen-day antecedent rainfall total (mm) |

| DY | MT | ΥR | Р | Q | 1 | AP 05 | AP10 | AP15 |
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| 16 | 11 | 76 | 22.9 | 3.302 | •0222 | 19.0 | 32.5 | 35.9 |
| 13 | 12 | 76 | 17.3 | .184 | .0079 | 2.0 | 73 | 12.0 |
| 2.2 | 12 | 76 | 54.6 | 8.074 | •0103 | 7.2 | 43.0 | 45+6 |
| 24 | 1 | 77 | 29.1 | 1.959 | .0073 | 7.9 | 14 - 4 | 20.1 |
| 29 | 1 | 77 | 57.1 | 20.131 | • 0441 | 105.8 | 113.7 | 120.2 |
| 1 | 2 | 77 | 27.0 | 6.938 | .0716 | 76.3 | 167.7 | 180.8 |
| 6 | 2 | 77 | 50.3 | 8.764 | .0565 | 39.0 | 115.3 | 206.7 |
| 14 | 2 | 77 | 65.4 | 13.470 | .0723 | 2.2 | 231.8 | 322.3 |
| 10 | 3 | 77 | 20.7 | 1.331 | .0323 | 3.8 | 14.2 | 35.2 |
| 14 | 3 | 77 | 97.1 | 29.255 | •0321 | 23.2 | 27.0 | 47.1 |
| 20 | 3 | 77 | 21.8 | 3.513 | •0752 | 70.9 | 120.0 | 124.0 |
| 10 | 4 | 77 | 15.5 | .605 | •024C | 4.7 | 12.1 | 16.3 |
| 14 | 6 | 77 | 17.9 | .375 | .0077 | •6 | 4.0 | 6.8 |
| 2 | 7 | 77 | 19.3 | •433 | •0075 | 3.5 | 20.7 | 20.7 |
| 24 | 9 | 77 | 61.2 | 5.637 | •0043 | 5.2 | 10.6 | 12.1 |
| 27 | 9 | 77 | 29.3 | 2.305 | .0230 | 69.4 | 76.9 | 79.3 |
| 9 | 10 | 77 | 34.2 | 6.311 | .0213 | 24.6 | 26.3 | 128.7 |
| 9 | 11 | 77 | 40.2 | .791 | .0086 | 4.9 | 36.0 | 43.1 |
| 19 | 12 | 77 | 54.7 | 7.947 | .0044 | 19.4 | 29.1 | 30.2 |
| 23 | 12 | 77 | 20.4 | 1.789 | .0205 | 60.4 | 82.4 | 89.5 |
| 31 | 12 | 77 | 23.3 | •639 | .0198 | 6.8 | 41.1 | 95.9 |
| 19 | 1 | 78 | 38.4 | .698 | .0145 | • 0 | 11.4 | 41.9 |
| 27 | 1 | 78 | 27.2 | 2.650 | •0053 | 42.0 | 244.8 | 256.1 |
| 12 | 2 | 78 | 20.3 | 1.581 | •0321 | 24.6 | 29.1 | 45.5 |
| 1 | 3 | 78 | 35.4 | 14.082 | •0608 | 16.8 | 85.6 | 95.2 |
| 27 | 3 | 78 | 60.3 | 11.617 | .0176 | .0 | 1.5 | 1.5 |
| 22 | 4 | 78 | 63.9 | 6.263 | 2.2040 | 23.0 | 31.4 | 53.4 |
| 3 | 6 | 78 | 29.3 | 4.114 | .0225 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 6.9 |

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| 11 | 7 | 78 | 23.4 | 3.759 | .0307 | - 0 | . 9 | 10.Z |
| 8 | 9 | 78 | 54.2 | 7.897 | .0080 | 9.5 | 11.5 | 16.0 |
| 12 | 9 | 78 | 14.3 | .632 | .0268 | 53.4 | 53.6 | 62.2 |
| 4 | 10 | 78 | 51.6 | 8.064 | .0095 | 2 • 8 | 12.7 | 12.8 |
| 4 | 10 | 78 | 51.6 | 8.064 | .0095 | 11.4 | 46.6 | 109.4 |
| 24 | 10 | 78 | 21.0 | 2.907 | .0471 | 41.6 | 60.3 | 97.7 |
| 18 | 11 | 78 | 30.8 | 3.318 | .0160 | 14.4 | 25.6 | 32.4 |
| 21 | 11 | 78 | 19.8 | 2.349 | .0243 | 34.7 | 52.7 | 62.9 |
| 26 | 11 | 78 | 8.5 | 2.687 | .0681 | 40.0 | 74.7 | 92.7 |
| 2 | 1 | 79 | 17.1 | .224 | .0088 | 5.1 | 15.3 | 16.7 |
| 27 | 1 | 79 | 40.9 | 1.609 | .0049 | 18.7 | 42.5 | 42.7 |
| 3 | 3 | 79 | 31.7 | •697 | .0049 | 1 = 4 | 4.3 | 29.2 |
| 4 | 5 | 79 | 41.3 | .765 | .0036 | = 0 | 11=4 | 13.5 |
| 15 | 10 | 79 | 43.9 | 4.179 | .0117 | 27.4 | 28.5 | 48.2 |
| 12 | 12 | 79 | 30.0 | 2.005 | .0090 | 22.0 | 44 = 4 | 59.2 |

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| 16 | 11 | 76 | 19.4 | 3.364 | .0300 | 15.6 | 30.3 | 35.7 |
| 13 | 12 | 76 | 18.5 | .370 | .0099 | 2.7 | 8.6 | 13.2 |
| 22 | 12 | 76 | 66.8 | 10.956 | .0143 | 9.3 | 47.9 | 51.5 |
| 24 | 1 | 77 | 43.8 | 4.538 | .0092 | 12.3 | 19.8 | 21.5 |
| 29 | 1 | 77 | 71.4 | 18.547 | .0610 | 117.5 | 129.8 | 137.3 |
| 1 | 2 | 77 | 40.9 | 9.121 | .0939 | 87.2 | 189.1 | 205.3 |
| 6 | 2 | 77 | 302.2 | 227.336 | .0747 | 42.7 | 129.9 | 188.0 |
| 14 | 2 | 77 | 188.7 | 71.543 | .0920 | 3.8 | 304.7 | 348.6 |
| 10 | 3 | 77 | 23.4 | 2.338 | .0410 | 3.5 | 16.4 | 40.5 |
| 14 | 3 | 77 | 104.0 | 30.049 | .0441 | 28.6 | 32.1 | 45.0 |
| 20 | 3 | 77 | 27.8 | 5.161 | .1034 | 66.6 | 112.7 | 136.1 |
| 10 | 4 | 77 | 17.4 | 1.155 | .0344 | • 0 | 6.2 | 11 • 2 |
| 14 | 6 | 77 | 16.3 | .535 | .0185 | • 0 | 1.9 | 1.9 |
| 2 | 7 | 77 | 16.3 | .448 | .0103 | 2.2 | 6.7 | 6.7 |
| 24 | 9 | 77 | 08.8 | 6.091 | .0047 | 3.7 | 13.1 | 14.2 |
| 27 | 9 | 77 | 25.5 | 3.249 | .0249 | 78.0 | 89.6 | 92.2 |
| 9 | 10 | 77 | 33.3 | 6.446 | .0266 | 25.3 | 27.8 | 143.0 |
| 9 | 11 | 77 | 52.1 | 10.549 | .0099 | 5.1 | 85.1 | 94.4 |
| 19 | 12 | 77 | 56.4 | 8.256 | .0037 | 28.9 | 39.5 | 39.5 |
| 23 | 12 | 77 | 27.9 | 3.045 | .0289 | 63.5 | 95.5 | 103.0 |
| 31 | 12 | 77 | 20.7 | .856 | .0289 | 7.8 | 46.7 | 102.8 |
| 19 | 1 | 78 | 236.4 | 77.259 | .0179 | • 0 | .0 | 31.7 |
| 27 | 1 | 78 | 26.3 | 3.065 | .0954 | 42.2 | 236.9 | 236.9 |
| 12 | 2 | 78 | 34.0 | 3 • 178 | •0415 | 29.5 | 36.2 | 51.6 |
| 1 | 3 | 78 | 38.3 | 7.364 | .0712 | 15.8 | 77.0 | 88.6 |
| 27 | 3 | 78 | 79.5 | 16.864 | .0203 | • 0 | 2 • 8 | 2.8 |
| 22 | 4 | 78 | 74.0 | 17.054 | .0255 | 20.6 | 34.5 | 49.5 |
| 3 | 6 | 78 | 22.1 | 2.345 | .0164 | 7.5 | 7.5 | 12.1 |

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| 11 | 7 | 78 | 21.1 | 2.564 | .0365 | .0 | .0 | 8 • 1 |
| 8 | 9 | 78 | 55.2 | 0.646 | .0070 | 1.2 | 5.2 | 8.9 |
| 12 | 9 | 78 | 20.9 | 1.301 | .0255 | 55.6 | 56.0 | 60.0 |
| 4 | 10 | 78 | 64.7 | 10.483 | .0118 | 3.4 | 14.5 | 14.7 |
| 18 | 10 | 78 | 41.8 | 12.506 | .0502 | 11.3 | 51.2 | 118.4 |
| 23 | 10 | 78 | 22.5 | 2.892 | .0577 | 47.5 | 58.8 | 98.7 |
| 18 | 10 | 78 | 30.8 | 3.647 | .0212 | 14.0 | 28.4 | 33.0 |
| 21 | 11 | 78 | 21.1 | 3.120 | .0321 | 36.0 | 57.5 | 65.6 |
| 25 | 11 | 78 | 24.8 | 4 • 291 | .0557 | 36.5 | 78.6 | 94.0 |
| Z | 1 | 79 | 28.6 | .693 | .0058 | 5.2 | 15.1 | 18.4 |
| 27 | 1 | 79 | 40.9 | 2.636 | .0050 | 15.1 | 45.Z | 45.5 |
| 3 | 3 | 79 | 37.4 | 1.600 | .0060 | 1.8 | 4.7 | 35.4 |
| 4 | 5 | 79 | 36.3 | .962 | .0044 | .0 | 14.4 | 16.2 |
| 14 | 10 | 79 | 37.6 | 6.119 | .0106 | 16.5 | 16.6 | 46 . 2 |
| 12 | 12 | 79 | 28.5 | 2 - 922 | -0081 | 22.2 | 45.0 | 61.9 |

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| 16 | 11 | 76 | 23.2 | 3.751 | .0360 | 15.6 | 30.3 | 35.7 |
| 13 | 12 | 76 | 18.5 | 1.426 | .0349 | 2 • 7 | 8.6 | 13.2 |
| 2 Z | 12 | 76 | 65.4 | 12.448 | .0220 | 9.3 | 47.9 | 51.5 |
| 24 | 1 | 77 | 43*8 | 5.092 | .0123 | 12.3 | 19.8 | 21.5 |
| 29 | 1 | 77 | 71.4 | 25.450 | .0511 | 117.5 | 129.8 | 137.3 |
| 1 | 2 | 79 | 40.9 | 8.908 | .0817 | 87.2 | 189.1 | 205.3 |
| 6 | 2 | 77 | 302.2 | 206.923 | .0817 | 42.7 | 129.9 | 188.6 |
| 14 | 2 | 77 | 188.7 | 94.474 | .1130 | 3.8 | 304.7 | 348.6 |
| 10 | 3 | 77 | 24.5 | 2.991 | .0640 | 3.5 | 16.4 | 40.5 |
| 14 | 3 | 77 | 104.0 | 34.264 | .0688 | 28.6 | 32.1 | 45.0 |
| 19 | 3 | 77 | 27.8 | 5.715 | .1000 | 104.0 | 132.6 | 136.1 |
| 10 | 4 | 77 | 18.3 | 1.604 | .0522 | • 0 | 6.2 | 11.2 |
| 14 | 6 | 77 | 23.8 | 1.312 | .0172 | • 0 | 1.9 | 1.9 |
| 2 | 7 | 77 | 18.0 | .872 | .0172 | 2 • 2 | 6.7 | .7 |
| 24 | 9 | 77 | 74.7 | 8.122 | .0113 | 3.7 | 13.1 | 14.2 |
| 27 | 9 | 77 | 29.4 | 3.417 | .0360 | 78.0 | 89.6 | 92.2 |
| 9 | 10 | 77 | 33.3 | 5.703 | .0328 | 25.3 | 27.8 | 143.0 |
| 9 | 11 | 77 | 52.1 | 11.550 | .2206 | 5.1 | 85.1 | 94.4 |
| 19 | 12 | 77 | 58.2 | 16.027 | .0075 | 28.9 | 39.5 | 39.5 |
| 23 | 12 | 77 | 26.5 | 3.133 | .0473 | 63.5 | 95.5 | 103.0 |
| 31 | 12 | 77 | 20.7 | .839 | .0365 | 7.8 | 46.1 | 102.8 |
| 19 | 1 | 78 | 236.4 | 98.592 | .0247 | = 0 | .0 | 31.7 |
| 27 | 1 | 78 | 26.3 | 4.275 | .1038 | 42.2 | 236.9 | 236.9 |
| 12 | 2 | 73 | 34.0 | 5.214 | .0511 | 29.5 | 36.2 | 51.6 |
| 1 | 3 | 78 | 38.4 | 7.830 | .0827 | 15.8 | 77.0 | 88.6 |
| 27 | 3 | 79 | 107.1 | 32.621 | .0365 | •0 | 2.8 | 2 . 8 |
| 22 | 4 | 78 | 74.0 | 19.027 | .0398 | 20.6 | 34.5 | 49.5 |
| 3 | 6 | 78 | 22.7 | 2.146 | .0322 | 7.5 | 7.5 | 12.1 |

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| 11 | 7 | 78 | 21+1 | 2.163 | •0414 | = 0 | .0 | 8 • 1 |
| 8 | 9 | 78 | 55.6 | 11.531 | .0183 | 1 • 2 | 5 . 2 | 8.9 |
| 1 | 9 | 78 | 20.9 | 3.059 | .0430 | 55.6 | 56.0 | 60.0 |
| 4 | 10 | 78 | 64.9 | 11.434 | .0177 | 3.4 | 14.5 | 14.7 |
| 18 | 10 | 78 | 43.6 | 12.489 | .0538 | 11.3 | 51.2 | 118.4 |
| 23 | 10 | 78 | 23.5 | 3.086 | .0565 | 47.5 | 58.8 | 98.7 |
| 18 | 11 | 78 | 34.0 | 3.615 | .0290 | 14.0 | 28.4 | 33.0 |
| 21 | 11 | 78 | 22.1 | 3.505 | .0371 | 36.0 | 57.5 | 65.5 |
| 25 | 11 | 78 | 24.6 | 4.742 | .0688 | 36.5 | 78.6 | 94.0 |
| Z | 1 | 79 | 28.6 | 1 • 241 | .0123 | 5.2 | 15.1 | 18.4 |
| 20 | 1 | 79 | 15.6 | .314 | .0118 | 15+1 | 45.2 | 45.5 |
| 3 | 3 | 79 | 47.8 | 2.611 | .0091 | 1.8 | 4.7 | 35.4 |
| 4 | 5 | 79 | 51.0 | 1.783 | .0037 | • 0 | 14.4 | 16.2 |
| 14 | 10 | 79 | 50.0 | 6.923 | .0172 | 16.5 | 16.6 | 46 . 2 |
| 12 | 12 | 79 | 31.2 | 4.143 | .0113 | 22.2 | 45.0 | 61.9 |

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| 24 | 1 | 78 | 29.7 | 2.960 | .2000 | 27.5 | 30.3 | 74.0 |
| 14 | 3 | 78 | 29.2 | 1.040 | -1000 | 18.2 | 53.3 | 54.1 |
| 12 | 11 | 78 | 33.9 | 1.360 | 1.1000 | 22.5 | 42.7 | 51.2 |
| 8 | 12 | 78 | 25.6 | .100 | .1000 | 10.6 | 25.5 | 41.9 |
| 9 | 12 | 78 | 27.5 | 3.080 | .5000 | 32.1 | 43.1 | 67.5 |
| 2.2 | 12 | 78 | 17.8 | .260 | .2000 | 0.1 | 13.8 | 79.0 |
| 85 | 12 | 78 | 36.0 | 3.980 | 1.0000 | 26.2 | 60.1 | 69.0 |
| S | 1 | 78 | 24.0 | 1.390 | 1.0000 | 40 · 3 | 66.6 | 103.5 |
| 13 | 2 | 79 | 38.1 | 1.290 | .0000 | 9.7 | 18.6 | 35.3 |
| 2 | 3 | 79 | 40.3 | 2.420 | .0000 | 7.2 | 38.6 | 66.5 |
| 17 | 3 | 79 | 16.9 | .250 | .1000 | 7.0 | 17.0 | 61.5 |

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| 21 | 12 | 76 | 23.0 | .390 | .0000 | 11.0 | 22.4 | 45.0 |
| 25 | 1 | 77 | 22.4 | .370 | .0000 | 11.7 | 26.1 | 43.0 |
| 1 | 3 | 77 | 22.5 | .190 | .0000 | • 3 | 7.4 | 3.1 |
| 7 | 4 | 77 | 18.5 | 1.980 | 5.0000 | 2.0 | 19.6 | 21.1 |
| 23 | 4 | 77 | 18.3 | .410 | .0000 | .0 | 1.0 | 1.2 |
| 29 | 10 | 77 | 24.7 | 1.540 | 1.0000 | .0 | 23.9 | 34.3 |
| 22 | 12 | 77 | 24.7 | .400 | .0000 | 6.5 | 11.4 | 21.3 |
| 30 | 12 | 77 | 27.0 | .800 | 3.0000 | • 5 | 27.0 | 23.9 |
| 6 | 1 | 78 | 49.5 | 7.180 | 12.0000 | 8.3 | 46.3 | 60.8 |
| 23 | 1 | 78 | 72.7 | 32.990 | 8.0000 | 15.5 | 35.0 | 52.2 |
| Z | Z | 78 | 26.6 | 4.310 | 45.0000 | 2.9 | 34.1 | 99.0 |
| 26 | 9 | 78 | 21.4 | .470 | 1.0000 | 10.0 | 17.2 | 31.0 |

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| 28 | 1 | 7.2 | 25.9 | 7.240 | .7000 | 4 . 4 | 35.4 | 55.0 |
| 21 | 12 | 7ь | 24 - 1 | .380 | -4000 | 11.6 | 22.4 | 4 > • 0 |
| 25 | 1 | 77 | 22.4 | .480 | .2000 | 11.7 | 26.1 | 43.0 |
| 7 | Z | 77 | 16.3 | .900 | 3 • 6000 | 1.4 | 31.2 | 73.0 |
| 7 | 4 | 77 | 18.5 | 1.530 | 1.0000 | 2.0 | 19.6 | 21.1 |
| 23 | 4 | 77 | 18.4 | .250 | .2000 | • 0 | 1.0 | 1.2 |
| 29 | 10 | 77 | 24.7 | 3.990 | .5000 | • 0 | 23.9 | 33.3 |
| 22 | 12 | 77 | 24.7 | .480 | .0000 | 6.5 | 11.4 | ذ. 21 |
| 30 | 12 | 77 | 27.0 | .820 | .0000 | •5 | 27.0 | 23.9 |
| 6 | 1 | 78 | 36.9 | 6.640 | .4000 | 5.3 | +6.3 | 60.0 |
| 2 | 2 | 78 | 26.6 | 7.090 | 2.9000 | 2.9 | 84.1 | 97.0 |
| 26 | 9 | 78 | 25.5 | 2.010 | .3000 | 10.0 | 17.2 | 36.6 |
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APPENDIX 9

Computer programme INDEX

- (a) Flow diagram
- (b) Fortran programme
- (c) Input and operation instructions
- (d) Example of output



a) FLOW DIAGRAM OF PROGRAM INDEX

FROGRAM INDEX C A.S.HOPE HYDROLOGICAL RESEARCH UNIT UNIVERSITY OF ZULULAND Ċ Ĉ. C C C----PROGRAM TO CALCULATE STORMFLOW DEPTHS (MM) OR PEAK C----FLOW RATE(MM/H)USING THE R-INDEX MODEL C---- PROGRAM CALCULATES: C MEAN - DOSERVED - CALCULATED (AQC) CCCCCCCCCC (AQE) STANDARD DEVIATION - OBSERVED - CALCULATED (SDO) (SDE) COEFFICIENT OF VARIATION - OBSERVED (CVO) - CALCULATED(CVE) COEFFICIENT OF DETERMINATION COEFFICIENT OF EFFICIENCY (D) (E) (F) C D-F STANDARD.ERROR REGRESSION COEFFICIENT BASE CONSTANT (SE) (REGC) С (BC) С C C-----THE PROGRAM ALLOWS FOR INTERACTIVE CHANGES OF C-----THE MODEL PARAMETERS BETA-1 (B1) ,BETA-2 (B2) C-----AND BETA-3 (B3) OR AUTOMATIC OPTIMISATION FOR A C-----SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE FUNCTION C C-----C (R) R-INDEX C----INPUTS (-) NO* OF OBSERVATIONS STORM RAINFALL. OBSERVED STORMFLOW/PEAK BASEFLOW AT START OF EVENT ANTECEDENT RAINFALL CATCHMENT AREA C ----(-) (N) (MM) (P) (MM) (Q0/IUP) C----Č----(MM) (AI) C----(MM) (AI) C----C----(SQ.KM) (A) OBJECTIVE FUNCTIONS OBSERVED STOR #FLOW /PFAK CALCULATED STOR #FLOW /PEAK BETA VALUES C----OUTPUTS Č----C -----C ----C ----C C----SYMBOLS IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER C ---- A= AR EA (SQ.KM) C-----AEAREA (SQ.KM) C----AIEBASEFLOW (MM/H) OR API(MM) C-----AIZEBASEFLOW (QU.FT/SEC/SQ.ML) OR API(CM) C-----AQEEMEAN QE (MM) C-----AQOEMEAN QO (MM) C----BC=BASE CONSTANT

b) FORTRAN PROGRAM

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C----B1,B2,B3=MODEL PARAMETERS (BETA)
C---- (B1L=LUWER LIMIT)
C---- (B1U=UPPER LIMIT)
C-----CAT=CATCHMENT WETNESS INDEX

C-----CVE=COEFFICIENT OF VARIATION OF ESTIMATED VALUES (%)

C-----CVO=COEFFICIENT OF VARIATION OF OBSERVED VALUES (%)

C-----C=COEFFICIENT OF DETERMINATION

C-----E=COEFFICIENT OF EFFICIENCY

C-----E=COEFFICIENT OF EFFICIENCY

C-----E=COEFFICIENT OF EFFICIENCY
C-----IAMC=BASEFLOW/API FLAG
C----IAPI=API (N DAYS)
C----ISEL=MANUAL/ITTERATIVE FLAG
C----NENUMBER OF OBSERVATIONS
C-----DEFN=OBJECTIVE FN. TO BE OPT.
C-----OP=OPTIMISATION/PRINT FLAG
C-----P=STORM RAINFALL (MM)
C----PCRIT=CRITICAL
                                           RAINFALL THRESHOLD (MM)
C----QE=ESTIMATED STORMFLOW (MM)
C----QE=ESTIMATED STORMFLOW (MM)
C----QE=ESTIMATED STORMFLOW (MM)
C----QE=DESERVED STORMFLOW (MM)
C----R=R-INDEX (-)
C----REGC=REGRESSION COEFFICIENT
C----STEPO, STEP1, STEP2=ITTERATIVE INTERVALS
C
            CHARACTER TITLE#60.CAT#6
DIMENSION CO(100).QE(100).P(100).AI(100).A2(100).
          1X(100), B22(100), Y(100), A12(100), DIFS(100), PER(100),
2PCRIT(100), R(100), A(100), QP(100), ZQE(100), ZDIFS(100),
3ZPER(100), PEP(100), ZQO(100)
CCC
  ---- INITIALISE ARRAYS
             DO 1 I=1.100
QO(I)=0.0
             QE(I)=0.0
            P(I) = 0.0
            AI(I)=0.0
A2(I)=0.0
             X(I)=0.0
            A(1)=0.0
B22(1)=0.0
Y(1)=0.0
A12(1)=0.0
DIFS(1)=0.0
PEP(1)=0.0
            PCRIT(1)=0.0
R(1)=0.0
            A(I) = 0.0
QP(I) = 0.0
             ZQO(1)=0.0
            ZQE(I)=0.0
ZDIFS(I)=0.0
ZPER(I)=0.0
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1 CONTINUE
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       -INITIALISE
        BD=0.0
        BE=0.0
BSE=99.9
CCC
      -SELECT OPTIMISATION/PRINT
        WRITE(6,1000)
READ(5,1001)IDP
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       -SELECT VOLUME (0) OR PEAK (1)
        WRITE(6,1002)
READ(5,1003)IVP
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C---
   ----SET ALTERNATIVES
    ---BASEFLOW(0) OR API(1)
C
        WRITE(6,10C4)
READ(5,1005) IAMC
C C -----ENTER TITLE
        WRITE(6,1006)
READ(5,1007)TITLE
CCC
   ----BASEFLOW OR API FLAG
        IF(IAMC)
                   3,
                        3.
                             2
С
ĉ
    --- API SELECTION
     2 WRITE(6+1008)
        READ(5,1009) IAPI
C
C
     -- READ NO. OBSERVATIONS + CATCHMENT INDEX
C
     3 READ(5,1010)N,CAT
C
    --- READ R-INDEX + AREA + OBSERVED Q/PK + BASEFLOW / API
C
        DO
             14 I=1+N
C
C----API FLAG TO FORMAT
C
                             9,
                       4 .
        IF(IAPI-1)
                                  4
                       5. 10.
6. 11.
7. 12.
       IF(IAPI-5)
IF(IAPI-7)
                                  5
     4
     5
                                  6
       IF(IAPI-10)
IF(IAPI-15)
                                   7
     6
                             13,
     7
                         8,
                                   8
CCC
    --- BASEFLOW
     8 READ(5,1011)P(1),R(1),A(1),QO(1),QP(1),AI(I)
```

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GO TO 14
C
C---- API 1
C
       READ(5+1012)P(I)+R(I)+A(1)+QO(I)+QP(I)+AI(I)
GO TO 14
     9
       GO TO
CCC
  ---- AP1 5
    10 READ(5+1013)P(I)+R(I)+A(I)+QO(I)+QP(I)+AI(I)
       GU TO 14
C
C----AP1 7
C
    11 READ(5,1014)P(I),R(I),A(I),QD(I),QP(I),AI(I)
       GO TO 14
CCC
  ---- API 10
    12 READ(5,1015)P(I),R(I),A(I),QO(I),QP(I),AI(I)
       GO TO 14
С
   ---- API 15
Ĉ
C
    13 READ (5,1016)P(1),R(1),A(1),QD(1),QP(1),AI(1)
    14 CONTINUE
C
  ----TEST FOR VOLUME OR PEAK+IF PEAK LET QD(I)=QP(I)
ĉ
       IF (IVP) 16, 16, 15
       DO 16 I=1 • N
QO(I)=QP(I)
   15 DO
   16 CONTINUE
CC
   --- TEST FOR OPT/PRINT
C
   17 WRITE(6,1017)
READ(5,1018)B1,B2,B3
GO TO 24
C
C----ITTERATIVE ROUTINE
C----SELECT OBJECTIVE FUNCTION
   18 WRITE(6,1019)
       READ (5 +1020) IDBFN
C
č
 ----SET PARAMETER LIMITS
   19 WRITE(6,1021)
READ(5,1022)B1L,B1U,B2L,B2U,B3L,B3U
C
C
  ---- SET ITTERATIVE INTERVALS
Ĉ
       WRITE(6,1023)
       READ(5,1024)STEP0,STEP1,STEP2
C
C
 ---- INITIALISE
č
```
```
20 81=81L
82=82L
83=83L
C----LOOP FOR BETA-1
        00 51 11=1,100
    21
        82=82L
        IF(B1U-B1) 52, 22, 22
C
C----LUOP FOR BETA-2
C
    22 00 49 12=1,100
        83=83L
        IF(B2U-B2) 50, 23, 23
C
C----LOOP FOR BETA-3
    23 D0 47 13=1,100
        IF(83U-83) 48, 24, 24
00 33 I=1+N
    24 00
C
C----TEST FOR BASEFLOW OR API
C
        IF(IAMC-1) 25, 26, 26
C
CC
 ----CONVERT BF (MM/H) TO BF (QU.FT/SEC/SQ.ML)
    25 AI2(I)=AI(I)=25.404006/A(I)
        GO TO
                27
000
 ----CONVERT API(MM) TO API(CM)
    26 AI2(1)=AI(1)/10.0
C
C----CALCULATE CRITICAL RAINFALL THRESHOLD
    27 DERIV=82*81

IF(1.0-82) 28, 32, 32

28 DERA=1.0/(82-1.0)

IF(83) 32, 32, 29

29 PCRIT(I)=1.0/(DERIV*R(I)*(1.0+AI2(1)**83))**DERA*25.4
        IF(P(1)-PCRIT(I)) 31. 31. 30
C-----CALCULATE STORMFLOW/PEAK
    30 CE(I)=(B1#R(I)#((PCRIT(I)/25.4)##82)#(1.C+(AI2(I)##83
1)))#25.4
CE(I)=QE(I)+P(I)-PCRIT(I)
       GO TO
               33
C----P < PCRIT
       QE(I) = (B1 \approx R(I) \approx ((P(I)/25.4) \approx B2) \approx (1.0 + (AI2(I) \approx B3)))
    31
      1$25.4
GO TO
                 33
C
C----B2=0.0
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C
    32 QE(I)=(B1*R(I)*((P(I)/25.4)**B2))*25.4
     33 CONTINUE
C
č
     --- INITIALISE
         A3=0.0
         84=0.0
A4=0.0
        D1=0.0
         35=0.0
C
C----CALCULATE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN DBSERVED AND
C----CALCULATED
C
č
        STOR MELOW
        00 34 I=1+N
DIFS(I)=00(I)-0c(I)
        PER(1)=DIFS(1)/QO(1)=100.0
    34 CONTINUE
C
C----CALCULATE OBJECTIVE FUNCTIONS
ĉ
 ----CALCULATE COMPONENTS FOR OBJECTIVE FUNCTIONS
        DU 35 I=1 •N
A2(I)=QO(I)≑≑2•0
        A3=A3+Q0(1)
B22(1)=QE(1) $$2.0
    B4=B4+QE(I)
A4=A4+A2(I)
B5=B5+B22(I)
35 CONTINUE
C
C
    ---CALCULATE MEANS
C
        Z = FL DAT(N)
AQD=A3/Z
        AQE=B4/Z
CCC
     --- CALCULATE STANDARD DEVIATIONS
        SDC= SQRT((A4/Z)-AQC++2.0)
SDE= SQRT((B5/Z)-AQE++2.0)
CCC
    ----CALCULATE COEFFICIENTS OF VARIATION
        CVD=(SD0/AQ0) = 100.0
CVE=(SDE/AQE) = 100.0
CCCC
    --- CALCULATE COEFFICIENTS OF EFFICIENCY
             36 I=1 • N
        DO
        X(I)=0.0
Y(I)=0.0
    36 CONTINUE
DO 37 I=1+N
X(I)=X(I-1)+(QO(I)-AQO)+*2.0
Y(I)=Y(I-1)+(QO(I)-QE(I))**2.0
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37 CONTINUE
E=(X(N)-Y(N))/X(N)
C
č-
      -- CALCULATE COEFFICIENTS OF CETERMINATION
        00 38 1=1 +N
01=01+(Q0(I)≠QE(I))
    38
       CONTINUE
        COR=(Z¢D1-A3*B4)/SQRT((Z*A4-(A3)**2.C)*(Z*B5-B4**2.0))
C=COR**2.0
C
    ---CALCULATE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN D AND E
č
        F=D-E
C
    ---CALCULATE STD.ERROR
C
C
        SE=SQRT(Y(N)/FLOAT(N-2))
C
  ----CALCULATE REG.COEFFICIENT
C
C
        REGC=COR ≠SDD/SDE
С
Ĉ
      -- CALCULATE BASE CONSTANT
Ĉ
        BC=AQE-(SDD/SDE≑AQD)
C
C
    --- TEST FOR OPT/PRINT
        IF(IOP) 39, 39, 43
C
C----OPTIMISE OBJECTIVE FUNCTION
č
  ----FLAG TO SELECTED OBJ.FN.
C
    39 IF(IOBFN) 40, 41, 42
CCCC
    --- TEST OBJ.FN. AND FLAG TO NEXT LOOP OR STORAGE
       AD=BD-D
IF(AD) 43,
AE=BE-E
IF(AE) 43,
    40
                 43. 43.
                           46
    41
                     43, 46
    42 ASE=BSE-SE
IF(ASE) 46, 46, 43
C
C----STORE BETAS, OBT. FNS AND OBS/EST VALUES
C
    43 ZD=D
ZE=E
ZSE=SE
ZAQD=AQD
ZAQE=AQE
ZF=F
ZSDD=SDD
ZSDE=SDE
        ZSDE=SDE
ZREGC=REGC
ZBC=BC
ZB1=B1
        ZB2=B2
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ZB3=83
D0 44 [=1+N
ZQ0(1)=Q0(1)
            ZQE(I) = QE(I)
ZDIFS(I) = DIFS(I)
            ZPER(I)=PER(I)
      44 CONTINUE
C
C----TEST FOR OPT/PRINT
č
            IF(IDP) 45, 45, 52
      45
            BD=D
            BE=E
BSE=SE
          B3=B3+STEP2
CONTINUE
      46 47
            82=82+STEP1
      48
            83=83L
      49 CONTINUE
50 B1=B1+STEP0
      B2=B2L
51 CONTINUE
C-----OUTPUT OPTIMISED DATA AND RESULTS
          WRITE(6,1025)TITLE,N
IF(IAMC) 53, 53, 54
      52
          WRITE(6,1026)CAT, IVP, IAMC, IDBEN
GD TO 55
      53
           WRITE(6,1027)CAT, IVP, IAMC, IDBFN
WRITE(6,1028)
WRITE(6,1029)ZB1, ZB2, ZB3, ZD, ZE, ZF, ZSE, ZAQC, ZAQE, ZSDU,
      54
      55
          1ZSDE+ZREGC+
ZZBC
           WRITE(6,1030)

DO 56 I=1,N

WRITE(6,1031)ZQO(I),ZQE(I),ZDIFS(I),ZPER(I)

CONTINUE

WRITE(6,1032)

WRITE(6,1032)
      56
           READ(5,1033)IS
IF(IS) 57, 57, 14
CALL EXIT
      57
С
           FORMAT(5X, 'SELECT OPTIMISATION (0)/PRINT(1)',/)
FORMAT(12)
FORMAT(5X, 'SELECT VOLUME(0) OR PEAK(1)'/)
  1000
  1001
           FORMAT(12)
FORMAT(12)
FORMAT(5X, 'INDICATE BASEFLOW(0) OR API(1)',/)
FORMAT(12)
FORMAT(5X, 'ENTER TITLE',/)
  1003
  1004
  1005
  1006
  1007
           FORMAT(A60)
  1008
           FURMAT(5X, 'API SELECTION: API1(1), API5(5), API7(7),
         1API10(10)
2API15(15)',/)
          FORMAT (12)
  1009
 1009 FORMAT(12)

1010 FORMAT(15,A6)

1011 FORMAT(7X,F5.1,F5.3,2F8.3,2F9.5,/)

1012 FORMAT(7X,F5.1,F5.3,2F8.3,F9.5,/,7X,F5.1)

1013 FORMAT(7X,F5.1,F5.3,2F8.3,F9.5,/,13X,F5.1)

1014 FORMAT(7X,F5.1,F5.3,2F8.3,F9.5,/,19X,F5.1)
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1015 FORMAT(7X+F5+1+F5+2+2F8+3+F9+5+/+25X+F5+1) 1016 FORMAT(7X+F5+1+F5+3+2F8+3+F9+5+/+31X+F5+1) 1017 FORMAT(5X+'ENTER PARAMETERS-3F6+3'+/) 1018 FORMAT(3F6+3) 1019 FORMAT(5X+'SELFCT OBJECTIVE FUNCTION:D(-1)+E(0)+ 1SE(1)') 1020 FORMAT(5X+'SET PARAMETER LIMITS'+/) 1022 FORMAT(5X+'SET PARAMETER LIMITS'+/) 1023 FORMAT(5X+'SET ITTERATIVE INTERVALS'+/) 1024 FORMAT(3F6+3) 1025 FORMAT(1H1+2X+'ANALYSIS:'+2X+A60+2X+'N='+14+/) 1026 FORMAT(2X+'CODE: '+A6+313+/+80('*')+/) 1027 FORMAT(2X+'CODE: '+A6+313+/+80('*')+/) 1028 FORMAT(2X+'CODE: '+A6+313+/+80('*')+/) 1028 FORMAT(2X+'CODE: '+A6+313+/+80('*')+/) 1029 FORMAT(14X+'PARAMETERS'-30X+'DBJECTIVE FUNCTIONS'+10X 1+/+2X+33('-')+5X+42('-')+/) 1029 FORMAT(11X+'OBS'+11X+'EST'+11X+'D1F'+11X+'PER'+/+8X+ 19('-')+5X+9('-')+5X+9('-')+5X+9('-')+/) 1031 FORMAT(11X+'OBS'+11X+'EST'+11X+'D1F'+11X+'PER'+/+8X+ 19('-')+5X+9('-')+5X+9('-')+5X+9('-')+/) 1033 FORMAT(12) END (c) INPUT AND OPERATION INSTRUCTIONS

The following are typical runs for the programme INDEX using the

- (a) optimisation routine and
- (b) print routine.

The optimisation routine allows the operator to set limits for each parameters (β_1 , β_2 , β_3) and iterative steps for parameters increments. Each combination of parameter values is tested in the model and the set giving the highest value of a specified objective function is printed along with observed and estimated stormflow values and other statistics (See Section D). The objective functions which may be optimised are the

- (a) coefficient of determination (D)
- (b) coefficient of efficiency (E) and
- (c) standard error (SE)

After the printout, the operator is given the choice of repeating the ana= lysis with new parameter limits or terminating the run.

The operator is also required to indicate if volumes or peaks are being tested, whether baseflow (initial flow rate) or antecedent rainfall (API) is to be used in the model and the number of days antecedent rainfall if this variable is selected. Allowance is also made for a title to be entered for the analysis which is printed at the top of the final output.

In the following example of the input requirements for the operation of the optimisation routine, the programme and data are stored in a file ALAN, the element for the programme is INDEX and that for the data is IND17. Operator inputs are indicated by and other statements are as they would appear on a terminal screen.

| | | 化合物加速度 |
|--|-------------------|--------|
| EXQT ALAN, INDEX | | |
| SELECT OPTIMISATION (0)/PRINT(1) | | |
| >0 | | 12 |
| SELECT VOLUME (O)/PEAK(1) | | |
| >0 | | 12 |
| INDICATE BASEFLOW (0)/APT(1) | | |
| >0 | | 12 |
| ENTER TITLE AND DATA | | |
| > CATCHMENT WIM17 + INITIAL FLOW | | A80 |
| > @ADD ALAN.IND17 | | |
| SELECT OBJECTIVE FUNCTION:D(-1), E(0), | SE(1) | |
| >0 | | 12 |
| SET PARAMETER LIMITS | | |
| > 0.100 0.300 | (B ₁) | 2F6.3 |
| > 1.400 1.500 | (B ₂) | 2F6-3 |
| ° 0.200 0.300 | (B ₂) | 2F6.3 |
| SET ITERATIVE INTERVALS | | |
| > 0.100 0.100 0.100 | (B1, B2, B2) | 3F6.3 |
| | 10 C.N.C. M. | |

PRINTOUT

| END (0) | /REPEA | T(1) | |
|---------|--------|---|----|
| >0 | | | 12 |
| NOTE: | 1) | If API had have been selected then the | |
| | | following would have appeared after the | |
| | | title | |
| API SEL | ECTIÓN | : API1(1), AP15(5), AP17(7) | |
| API1 | 0(10), | AP115(15) | |
| > 10 | | | 12 |
| | ie, | the 10-day antecedent rainfall would be | |
| | | used. | |
| | 2) | If the operator selects to repeat the | |
| | | analysis the programme reverts to the | |
| | | selection of an objective function. | |

Operation of the print continuous investion 1, 100 printed in rotation, do to the input of the data file. This is followed by entering the three selected parameters as follows:

| | | Formet |
|--------------------------------------|----------|--------|
| SWADD ALAN.IND17 ENTER PARAMETERS | | |
| > 0.400 1.500 0.250 | | 3F6.3 |
| | PRINTOUT | |

END (0)/REPEAT(1) > 0

Note: Repeat would return the operator to the point of entering parameters.

| | PARAM | ETERS | | OBJECTIVE FUNC | TICNS |
|------|--|--|--|---|--|
| 81 = | .400 B2 = | 1.500 83 = . | 250 D = .9 SI = KEANS: SID DE RIG CU | 8712 E = .98091 F = 5.05775 UBS = 16.19467 EST V1 UBS = 35.74674 E FF = 1.08275 BASE | .00621 = 16.95013 ST = 32.801 CONS =6 |
| | 085 | EST | 01F | PER | |
| | 3.75100 1.42600 5.09200 2.5.43600 2.02.97300 2.5.43600 2.02.97300 9.4.47400 3.4.26400 1.31200 1.31200 8.127200 3.4.1200 8.127200 3.4.1200 8.127200 3.4.1200 9.027200 3.2.14000 1.5.5000 1.4.53100 3.2.46400 1.4.53100 1.4.53100 3.2.46400 1.4.53100 3.4.1200 3.4.1200 3.4.1200 3.4.1200 3.4.1200 3.4.1200 3.4.1200 3.4.1200 3.4.1200 3.4.1200 3.4.1200 3.4.1200 3.4.100 3.4.120 | $\begin{array}{c} 3 \cdot 4569 \\ 4569 \\ 4569 \\ 4569 \\ 4569 \\ 4579 $ | $\begin{array}{c} * 0 \\ * 0 \\ * 0 \\ * 0 \\ * 1 \\ * 0 \\ * 1 \\ * 0 \\ * 1 \\ * 0 \\ * 1 \\ * 0 \\ * 1 \\ * 0 \\ * 1 \\ * 0 \\ * 1 \\ * 0 \\ * 1 \\ * 0 \\ * 1 \\ * 0 \\$ | $\begin{array}{c} 7 \cdot 95889 \\ -773 \cdot 35061 \\ -573 \cdot 35061 \\ -573 \cdot 35061 \\ -573 \cdot 35064 \\ -11 \cdot 59067 \\ -11 \cdot 59066 \\ -11 \cdot 5906 \\ -11 \cdot 5906$ | |

Note: $\underline{PER} = \frac{DIF}{OBS} \times 100$

APPENDIX 10

Storm rainfall, stormflow, the associated initial flow rate and antecedent rainfall used for testing the R-index model in the Grahamstown catchments I, II and III

The abbreviations used are as follows:

| DY | - | day |
|------|---|--|
| ΜT | - | month |
| ΥR | | year |
| Ρ | Ŧ | storm rainfall (mm) |
| Q | = | stormflow (mm) |
| I | = | initial flow rate (mm.h ⁻¹) |
| AP05 | Ξ | five-day antecedent rainfall total (mm) |
| AP10 | = | ten-day antecedent rainfall total (mm) |
| AP15 | Ξ | fifteen-day antecedent rainfall total (mm) |
| | | |

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| DY | MT | YR | Р | Q | I | AP 01 | APO7 | AP10 |
|------|-----|------|--------|---------|-------|----------------|--------|-------|
| \$\$ | ¢¢¢ | **** | ****** | ******* | ***** | \$\$\$\$\$\$\$ | ****** | ***** |
| 21 | 3 | 76 | 13.6 | .011 | .0019 | 16.4 | 36.5 | 40.5 |
| 21 | 3 | 76 | 40.1 | 3.998 | .0086 | 23.3 | 50.2 | 54.2 |
| 29 | 3 | 76 | 14.4 | .015 | .0060 | • 0 | 1.6 | 72.0 |
| 27 | 2 | 77 | 30.8 | •022 | .0001 | • 0 | 3.3 | 21.9 |
| 28 | 2 | 77 | 27.9 | .281 | .0008 | 30.8 | 34 • 1 | 52.7 |
| 6 | 3 | 77 | 7.0 | .483 | .0002 | 5.5 | 64.2 | 64.9 |
| 7 | 5 | 77 | 21.5 | •216 | .0027 | 33.8 | 42.2 | 42.3 |
| 1 | 12 | 77 | 15.8 | •028 | .0012 | 5.0 | 42.5 | 42.5 |
| 30 | 12 | 77 | 11.4 | .033 | .0019 | 35.9 | 63.1 | 63.6 |
| 10 | 1 | 78 | 19.5 | •028 | .0001 | .4 | 2.9 | 21.1 |
| 11 | 1 | 78 | 8.0 | .031 | .0044 | 19.6 | 22.6 | 27.7 |
| 4 | 2 | 78 | 22.4 | .001 | .0019 | •0 | 7.1 | 21.9 |
| 20 | 4 | 78 | 33.7 | *041 | .0004 | 11.8 | 19.6 | 20.1 |
| 21 | 4 | 78 | 36.3 | .886 | .0032 | 33.2 | 54.7 | 54.7 |
| 28 | 2 | 79 | 26.9 | •014 | .0000 | 27.1 | 61.2 | 61.7 |
| 21 | 7 | 79 | 125.4 | 24.615 | .0001 | 28.9 | 29.4 | 29.4 |
| 24 | 7 | 79 | 29.0 | 5.819 | .0751 | 1 • 4 | 155.6 | 156.1 |
| 20 | 8 | 79 | 105.2 | 36.054 | .0041 | .0 | 5.9 | 12.3 |
| 26 | 8 | 79 | 4.9 | •051 | .0686 | .0 | 105.2 | 110.0 |
| 15 | 9 | 79 | 5.8 | .002 | .0158 | 15.4 | 15.4 | 16.0 |

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| DY | ΜT | YR | Ρ | Q | I | AP 01 | A P 0 7 | AP10 |
|----|-------|------|--------|-----------|-------|--------|---------|--------|
| ++ | ¢ † † | **** | ****** | ********* | | ****** | 000000 | 000000 |
| 3 | 1 | 10 | 20.9 | -004 | .0000 | • 0 | 6 . 3 | 28.0 |
| 9 | 1 | 76 | 17.9 | .489 | .0000 | • 0 | 21.9 | 24.5 |
| 6 | Ζ | 76 | 21.0 | •021 | .0000 | 11.8 | 15.7 | 18.3 |
| 10 | 2 | 75 | 8.0 | .001 | .0000 | 9.3 | 50.0 | 50.0 |
| 2 | 3 | 76 | 11.7 | .006 | .0000 | 5.2 | 18.3 | 18.3 |
| 21 | 3 | 76 | 13.8 | .068 | •0034 | 15.4 | 34.9 | 37.3 |
| 21 | 3 | 76 | 39.6 | 3.575 | .0078 | 19.9 | 48.7 | 48.7 |
| 28 | 3 | 76 | 6.5 | .006 | .0029 | 5.9 | 7.4 | 77.9 |
| 27 | Z | 77 | 37.1 | .481 | .0000 | .0 | 3.2 | 22+0 |
| 28 | 2 | 77 | 30.5 | .877 | .0000 | 37.1 | 37.5 | 69.0 |
| 6 | 3 | 77 | 11.0 | .679 | .0000 | 6.8 | 74.4 | 74.8 |
| 24 | 4 | 77 | 13.4 | •028 | .0000 | 16.0 | 16.5 | 25.6 |
| 7 | 5 | 77. | 15.4 | .020 | .0000 | 20.8 | 29.8 | 29.8 |
| 7 | 5 | 77 | 15.2 | 1.458 | .0029 | 36.2 | 45.2 | 45.2 |
| 26 | 11 | 77 | 15.0 | -014 | .0000 | 14.5 | 14.5 | 16.2 |
| 1 | 12 | 77 | 19.8 | •415 | .0000 | 6.5 | 41.1 | 41.1 |
| 30 | 12 | 77 | 41.5 | .137 | .0000 | 23.7 | 25.4 | 25.4 |
| 30 | 12 | 77 | 7.9 | .001 | .0126 | 56.8 | 58.0 | 58.5 |
| 1 | 1 | 78 | 2.5 | .001 | .0044 | 10.9 | 78.9 | 79.4 |
| 9 | 1 | 78 | 20.6 | .159 | .0000 | - 1 | 2.9 | 64.3 |
| 20 | 4 | 78 | 23.9 | .077 | .0000 | 20.0 | 27.3 | 27.8 |
| 21 | 4 | 78 | 38.2 | .907 | .0000 | 20.3 | 55.7 | 55.7 |
| 2 | 11 | 78 | 15.5 | .009 | .0000 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 21.5 |
| 21 | 2 | 79 | 16.7 | .001 | .0000 | 16.5 | 16.8 | 18.7 |
| 28 | 2 | 77 | 27.1 | .197 | .0000 | 11.9 | 15.6 | 49.1 |
| 20 | 7 | 79 | 126.7 | 23.610 | .0000 | 29.5 | 30.3 | 30.3 |
| 24 | 7 | 79 | 29.4 | •406 | .0775 | 1 • 4 | 157.5 | 158.4 |
| 11 | 8 | 79 | 3.5 | .001 | .0041 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 |
| 20 | 8 | 79 | 21.2 | .001 | .0019 | 7.7 | 13.5 | 20.2 |
| 20 | 8 | 79 | 79.5 | 21.287 | .0060 | 18.5 | 24.2 | 31.0 |
| 26 | 8 | 79 | 3.7 | .086 | .0545 | • 0 | 98.0 | 102.5 |
| 31 | 8 | 79 | 7.4 | .001 | .0319 | .0 | 3.7 | 26.2 |
| 15 | 9 | 79 | 14.9 | .023 | +0226 | .0 | . 0 | .6 |

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| DY | MT | YR | Ρ | Q | 1 | AP 01 | AP07 | AP10 |
|------|-------|--------------|-------|--------|-------|----------------------------|--------|-------|
| \$\$ | + 4 # | \$\$\$\$ | | - | - | \$0 \$ \$\$\$\$ | ****** | ***** |
| 21 | 3 | 76 | 27.5 | 1.650 | .0000 | 32.5 | 70.5 | 70.5 |
| 28 | 3 | 76 | 14.5 | .005 | .0025 | • 0 | • 6 | 77.0 |
| 7 | 5 | 77 | 19.7 | .214 | .0000 | 46.8 | 55.6 | 55.7 |
| 3 | 2 | 78 | 23.4 | .007 | .0000 | • 0 | 4.2 | 21.7 |
| 21 | 7 | 79 | 95.3 | 14.774 | -0000 | 57.1 | 57.7 | 57.7 |
| 23 | 7 | 79 | 29.9 | 5.372 | .0521 | 1.7 | 154.2 | 154.8 |
| 20 | 8 | 79 | 109.9 | 14.650 | .0000 | • 0 | 4.7 | 11.4 |
| 26 | 8 | 79 | 5.8 | .132 | .0583 | •0 | 99.9 | 114.6 |
| 31 | 8 | 79 | 7.8 | .007 | .0235 | • 0 | 5.8 | 35+4 |
| 1 | 9 | 79 | 6.5 | .001 | .0251 | . 0 | 13.7 | .0 |
| 15 | 9 | 79 | 14.7 | .001 | .0080 | • 0 | . 0 | • 6 |
| 15 | 9 | 79 | 4 . 2 | .004 | .0134 | 14.7 | 14.7 | 19.5 |
| 15 | 9 | 79 | 5.4 | .005 | .0188 | 18.9 | 18.9 | 19.5 |
| 10 | 10 | 79 | 11.8 | .018 | .0000 | 5.5 | 7.0 | 7.0 |
| 19 | 10 | 79 | 8.8 | .003 | .0004 | •1 | 7.5 | 26.2 |
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APPENDIX 11

Computer programme INDST

- (a) Fortran programme
- (b) Input and operation instructions

a) FORTRAN PROGRAM

CCC PROGRAM INDST A.S.HOPE HYDROLOGICAL RESEARCH UNIT UNIVERSITY OF ZULULAND C C-----PROGRAM TO CALCULATE STORMFLOW DEPTHS (MM) OR PEAK C-----FLOW RATE(MM/H)USING THE DISTRIBUTED R-INDEX MODEL TO C-----PROGRAM CALCULATES: C MEAN - DBSERVED (AQC) CCCCCCCCCC CALCULATED (AQE) STANDARD DEVIATION - OBSERVED (SDO) - CALCULATED (SDE) COEFFICIENT OF VARIATION - OBSERVED (CVD) CALCULATED(CVE) COEFFICIENT OF DETERMINATION (0) (E) (F) č D-E STANDARD . ERROR REGRESSION COEFFICIENT (SE) (REGC) C С BASE CONSTANT (BC) C \overline{C} C----THE PROGRAM ALLOWS FOR INTERACTIVE CHANGES OF C----THE MODEL PARAMETERS BETA-1 (B1) +BETA-2 (B2) C----AND BETA-3 (B3) OR AUTOMATIC OPTIMISATION FOR A C----SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE FUNCTION C-----R-INDEX NO. OF OBSERVATIONS STORM RAINFALL (R) C----INPUTS (-) (N) C----(-) (MM) (P) C----DBSERVED STORMFLOW/PEAK (MM) (P) BASEFLOW AT START OF EVENT (MM) (AI) ANTECEDENT RAINFALL (MM) (AI) C----(Q0/IOP) C----C----(SQ.KM) (A) CATCHMENT AREA C----C-----OUTPUTS OBJECTIVE FUNCTIONS C----- OBSERVED STORMFLOW /PEAK C----- CALCULATED STORMFLOW /PEAK C----- BETA VALUES -----C. С C----SYMBOLS IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER С C-----A=AREA OF SUB-UNITS(SQ.KM) C-----AI=BASEFLOW (MM/H) OR API(MM) C-----AI2=BASEFLOW (QU.FT/SEC/SQ.ML) OR API(CM) C-----AQE=MEAN QE (MM) C-----AQO=MEAN QO (MM) C----ATOT=TOTAL AREA(SQ.KM)

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C-----BC=BASE CONSTANT
C----B1+B2+B3=MODEL PARAMETERS (BETA)
C----- (BIL=LOWER LIMIT)
C----- (BIU=UPPER LIMIT)
C----CATECATCHMENT WETNESS INDEX

C----CVE=COEFFICIENT OF VARIATION OF ESTIMATED VALUES (%)

C----CVO=COEFFICIENT OF VARIATION OF OBSERVED VALUES (%)

C----D=COEFFICIENT OF DETERMINATION

C----E=COEFFICIENT OF EFFICIENCY

C----F=D-E
C----IAMC=BASEFLOW/AP1 FLAG
C----IAPI=API (N DAYS)
C----ISEL=MANUAL/ITTERATIVE FLAG
C-----QP=PEAK STOR MFLOW (MM)

C-----QP=PEAK STOR MFLOW (MM)

C-----QP=PEAK STOR MFLOW (MM)

C-----QP=PEAK STOR MFLOW (MM)

C-----QP=PEAK (-)
C-----IVP=VOLUME/PEAK FLAG
C----R=R-INDEX
                                    (-)
C-----REGC=REGRESSION COEFFICIENT
C----SDE=SD QE (MM)
C-----SDO=SD QO (MM)
C----SE=STANDARD ERROR
C----STEP0, STEP1, STEP2=ITTERATIVE INTERVALS
\overline{(}
C
           CHARACTER TITLE*60,CAT*6
DIMENSION QE(100),P(100),AI(100),A2(100),X(100),
1822(100),Y(100),DIFS(100),PER(100),R(10),A(10),QP(100)
2,QO(100),ZQE(100),ZDIFS(100),ZPER(100),PEP(100),ZQO
3(100),QE1(100,100),AI2(100,100),PCRIT(100,100)
C
   ----- INITIALISE ARRAYS
             DO
                        2 1=1+100
             QD(I)=0.0
QE(I)=0.0
             P(I)=0.0
             AI(1)=0.0
             A2(1)=0.0
X(1)=0.0
             B22(I)=0.0
Y(I)=0.0
             DIFS(I)=0.0
PEP(I)=0.0
             R(I)=0.0
             QP(1)=0.0
ZQO(1)=0.0
             ZQE(1)=0.0
ZDIFS(1)=0.0
             ZPER(1)=0.0
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QE1(1,J)=0.0
AI2(I,J)=0.0
PCRIT(I,J)=0.0
I CONTINUE
2 CONTINUE
CCC
      -- INITIALISE
        BD=0.0
        BE=0.0
BSE=99.9
C
Č----SELECT OPTIMISATION/PRINT
C
        WRITE(6,1001)
READ(5,1002)IOP
C
č
    ----SELECT VOLUME (0) OR PEAK (1)
        WRITE(6,1003)
READ(5,1004)IVP
C
C----A
C
C----SET ALTERNATIVES
CCC
       -BASEFLOW(0) OR API(1)
        WRITE(6,1005)
        READ(5,1006) IAMC
Č-
    ---ENTER TITLE
C
        WRITE(6,1007)
READ(5,1008)TITLE
C
č-
      -- DEFINE NO. OF SUB-UNITS (NSU)
        WRITE(6,1009)
READ(5,1010)NSU
CCC
     --- INPUT AREA OF EACH SUB-UNIT (A)
        WRITE(6.1011)
READ(5.1012)(A(I).I=1.10)
C
ĉ
    --- INPUT R-INDEX FOR EACH UNIT (R)
        WRITE(6.1013)
READ(5.1014)(R(I).I=1.10)
CCC
    ---CALCULATE TOTAL AREA (ATOT)
        ATOT=0.0
D0 3 J=1.NSU
ATOT=ATOT+A(J)
     3 CONTINUE
C
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----BASEFLOW OR API FLAG
C
                        5,
        IF(IAMC)
                   5,
                             4
C
    --- API SELECTION
     4
       WRITE(6,1015)
        READ(5,1016) [AP]
С
C
    ---READ NO. UBSERVATIONS + CATCHMENT INDEX
C
     5 READ(5,1017)N,CAT
С
C----READ AREA, OBSERVED Q/PK, BASEFLOW/API
C
       00
            16 I=1+N
CCC
   ---- API FLAG TO FORMAT
     IF(IAPI-1)
6 IF(IAPI-5)
7 IF(IAPI-7)
8 IF(IAPI-10)
                      6, 11,
7, 12,
8, 13,
9, 14,
                                 67
                                 8
                                  9
     9 IF(IAPI-15) 10.
                           15,
                                 10
C
C----BASEFLOW
   10 READ(5+1018)P(I)+QD(I)+QP(I)+AI(I)
GD TO 16
C
C----API 1
C
    11 READ(5,1019)P(1),QO(1),QP(1),AI(1)
GD TO 16
       GO TO
C
C----API 5
C
   12 READ(5+1020)P(I)+Q0(I)+QP(I)+AI(I)
       GO TO
               16
С
С----АРІ 7
С
   13 READ(5,1021)P(I),QO(I),QP(I),AI(I)
GO TO 16
С----АРІ 10
С
   14 READ(5,1022)P(I),QO(I),QP(I),AI(I)
GO TO 16
C
C----API '15
C
   15 READ (5,1023)P(I),QD(I),QP(I),A1(I)
16 CONTINUE
C----TEST FOR VOLUME OR PEAK, IF PEAK LET QD(I)=QP(I)
       IF (IVP) 18,
DO 18 I=1.N
QO(I)=QP(I)
                       18, 17
   17
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18 CONTINUE
CCC
     --- TEST FOR OPT/PRINT
     IF(IOP) 20, 20, 19
WRITE(6,1024)
READ(5,1025)81,82,83
GO TO 26
20 WRITE(6.1026)
READ(5.1027)IOBEN
CCC
    ----SET PARAMETER LIMITS
    21 WRITE(6,1028)
READ(5,1029)B1L,B1U,B2L,B2U,B3L,B3U
CCC
     ---SET ITTERATIVE INTERVALS
         WRITE(6,1030)
READ(5,1031)STEP0,STEP1,STEP2
CCC
    ---- INITIALISE
    22 B1=B1L
B2=B2L
         83=83L
CCC
    ----LOOP FOR BETA-1
    23 DO 57 I1=1,100
B2=B2L
IF(B1U-B1) 58, 24, 24
C
C----LOOP FOR BETA-2
    24 00 55 12=1,100
83=83L
         [F(B2U-B2) 56, 25, 25
С
C----LOOP FOR BETA-3
         00 53 I3=1,100
IF(B3U-B3) 54, 26, 26
    25
        DO
C
C----INITIALISE ARRAYS
C
    26 D0 28 I=1+N
D0 27 J=1+NSU
QE1(I+J)=0+0
27 CONTINUE
QE(I)=0+0
28 CONTINUE
D0 39 I=1+N
D0 38 J=1+NSU
C
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c
   ---- TEST FOR BASEFLOW OR API
           IF(IAMC-1) 29, 30, 30
 C
        -- CONVERT BF (MM/H) TO BF (QU.FT/SEC/SQ.ML)
 C
     29
         A12(1,J)=A1(1)=25.404006/A(J)
GD TO 31
          GO TO
C
    ----CONVERT API(MM) TO API(CM)
C-
č
     30 AI2(I,J)=AI(I)/10.0
С
C----CALCULATE CRITICAL RAINFALL THRESHOLD
C
     31 DERIV=82¢81
IF(1.0-B2) 32, 36, 36
32 DERA=1.0/(82-1.0)
     S2 DERA-1*07(02 1*07)
IF(B3) 36, 36, 33
33 PCRIT(I+J)=1*07(DERIV*R(J)*(1*0+AI2(I+J)**B3))**DERA*25*4
IF(P(I)-PCRIT(I+J)) 35, 35, 34
C
C----CALCULATE STOR #FLOW/PEAK
C
C----P > PCRIT
     34 QE1(I,J)=(B1*R(J)*((PCRIT(1,J)/25.4)**B2)*(1.0+(A12
1(I,J)**B3)))
2*25.4
QE1(I,J)=QE1(I,J)+P(I)-PCRIT(I,J)
                    37
          60 TO
CCC
  ----P < PCRIT
     35 QE1(I,J)=(B1≑R(J)≑((P(I)/25.4)≑≑B2)≑(1.0+(AI2(I,J)≑≑B3
1)))≠25.4
GO TO 37
C ----- 8 2 = 0 • 0
  36 QE1(I,J)=(B1*R(J)*((P(I)/25.4)**B2))*25.4

37 QE1(I,J)=QE1(I,J)*A(J)/ATOT

----SUMMATE STORMFLOW FROM SUB-UNITS

QE(I)=QE(I)+QE1(I,J)

38 CONTINUE

39 CONTINUE
C
с--
с
     --- INITIALISE
          A3=0.0
          84=0.0
          A4=0.0
          D1=0.0
B5=0.0
C C----CALCULATE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN OBSERVED AND C----CALCULATED C STOR MFLOW
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DO 40 I=1.N
DIFS(I)=QO(I)-QE(I)
PER(I)=DIFS(I)/QO(I)=100.0
40 CONTINUE
-- CALCULATE OBJECTIVE FUNCTIONS
   ----CALCULATE COMPONENTS FOR OBJECTIVE FUNCTIONS
        00
             41 I=1 +N
        A2(1)=Q0(1)==2.0
        A3=A3+Q0(I)
        B22(I)=QE(I) ⇒⇒2.0
B4=B4+QE(I)
        A4=A4+A2(I)
B5=B5+B22(I)
    41 CONTINUE
C
C----CALCULATE MEANS
C
        Z=FLOAT(N)
        AQD=A3/Z
        AQE=B4/Z
C
С
   ----CALCULATE STANDARD DEVIATIONS
C
        SD0= SQRT((A4/Z)-AQ0÷≠2.0)
        SDE= SQRT((85/Z)-AQE++2.0)
C
    ---CALCULATE COEFFICIENTS OF VARIATION
С
C
        CV0=(SD0/AQ0)=100.0
        CVE=(SDE/AQE)=100.0
C
  ----CALCULATE COEFFICIENTS OF EFFICIENCY
С
C
        DO
            42 I=1+N
        X(I)=0.0
        Y(I)=0.0
       CONTINUE
    42
    DD 43 I=1.N
X(I)=X(I-1)+(QD(I)-AQD)⇒⇒2.0
Y(I)=Y(I-1)+(QD(I)-QE(I))⇒⇒2.0
43 CONTINUE
       E = (X(N) - Y(N)) / X(N)
C
     -- CALCULATE COEFFICIENTS OF DETERMINATION
C
C
       DO 44 I=1.N
D1=D1+(QO(I)*QE(I))
CONTINUE
COR=(Z*D1-A3*B4)/SQRT((Z*A4-(A3)**2.C)*(Z*B5-B4**2.O))
    44
        C=COR##2.0
C
c
   ----CALCULATE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN D AND E
       F=C-E
C
C
      -CALCULATE STD.ERROR
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SE=SQRT(Y(N)/FLOAT(N-2))
CCC
     ---CALCULATE REG.CDEFFICIENT
          REGC=COR≠SDO/SDE
C
C
     --- CALCULATE BASE CONSTANT
          BC=AQE-(SDO/SDE≑AQO)
TEST FOR OPT/PRINT
С
C
          IF(IOP) 45, 45, 49
CCC
  ----OPTIMISE OBJECTIVE FUNCTION
C
  -----FLAG TO SELECTED UBJ.FN.
     45 IF(IOBFN) 46, 47, 48
C
C----TEST DBJ.FN. AND FLAG TO NEXT LOOP OR STORAGE
          AD=BD-D
     46
          IF(AD) 49, 49, 52
        AE=BE-E
IF(AE) 49, 49, 52
ASE=BSE-SE
IF(ASE) 52, 52, 49
     47
    49 ZD=D
ZE=E
ZSE=SE
ZAQD=AQD
ZAQE=AQE
ZF=F
ZSDD=SDD
ZSDE=SDE
ZREGC=REGC
ZBC=BC
ZB1=B1
ZB2=B2
ZB3=B3
DD 50 I=1+N
ZQO(I)=QD(I)
ZQE(I)=QE(I)
ZDIFS(I)=DIFS(I)
ZPER(I)=PER(I)
CONTINUE
TEST FOR DPT
     48
C
C----STORE BETAS, OBT.FNS AND OBS/EST VALUES
C
C
C----TEST FOR OPT/PRINT
C
          IF(IOP) 51, 51, 58
     51
          BD=D
         BE=E
BSE=SE
B3=B3+STEP2
CONTINUE
     52
53
         82=82+STEP1
83=83L
     54
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55 CONTINUE
           81=81+STEP0
      56
            82=82L
      57 CONTINUE
C----CUTPUT OPTIMISED DATA AND RESULTS
      58 WRITE(6,1032)TITLE,N
           WRITE(6,1033)NSU+A+R
IF(IAMC) 59, 59, 60
      59
          WRITE(6,1034)CAT, IVP, IAMC, IOBEN
                 TO
           GO
                        61
     60 WR [TE(6,1035)CAT, IVP, IAMC, IDBFN
61 WRITE(6,1036)
            WRITE(6,1037)ZB1,ZB2,ZB3,ZD,ZE,ZF,ZSE,ZAQU,ZAQE,ZSD0,
         IZSDE +ZREGC+ZBC
WRITE(6,1038)
DO 62 I=1+N
WRITE(6,1039)ZQO(1),ZOE(I),ZDIFS(I),ZPER(I)
           CONTINUE
     62
     WRITE(6,1040)
READ(5,1041)IS
IF(IS) 63, 63, 16
63 CALL EXIT
С
          FORMAT(F4.2.F6.0)
FORMAT(5X.*SELECT OPTIMIZATION (0)/PRINT(1)**/)
  1000
  1001
           FORMAT(12)
  1002
          FORMAT(5X, 'SELECT VOLUME(0) OR PEAK(1)'/)
FORMAT(12)
  1003
  1004
  1005
           FORMAT(5X, 'INDICATE BASEFLOW(0) OR API(1)',/)
           FORMAT(12)
  1006
          FORMAT(5X, 'ENTER (ITLE',/)
FORMAT(A60)
  1007
  1008
  1009
          FORMAT(/.5X. "ENTER NO.OF SUB-UNITS) './)
           FURMAT(12)
 1010
 1011
          FORMAT(/.2X, 'INPUT AREA PROPORTIONS XF7.3'./)
FORMAT(10F7.3)
FORMAT(/.2X, 'INPUT R-INDEX FOR EACH UNIT XF5.3'./)
FORMAT(10F7.3)
 1013
 1014
         FORMAT(5X, *API SELECTION: API1(1) + API5(5) + API7(7) +
1API10(10) + API15(15) * +/)
 1015
 1016
         FORMAT (12)
FORMAT(15,A6)
          FURMAT(15,46)

FURMAT(7X,F5,1,13X,F8,3,2F9,5,/)

FURMAT(7X,F5,1,13X,F8,3,F9,5,/,7X,F5,1)

FURMAT(7X,F5,1,13X,F8,3,F9,5,/,13X,F5,1)

FURMAT(7X,F5,1,13X,F8,3,F9,5,/,19X,F5,1)

FURMAT(7X,F5,1,13X,F8,3,F9,5,/,25X,F5,1)

FURMAT(7X,F5,1,13X,F8,3,F9,5,/,25X,F5,1)

FURMAT(7X,F5,1,13X,F8,3,F9,5,/,31X,F5,1)

FURMAT(5X,*ENTER PARAMETERS-3F6,3',/)

FURMAT(54,3)
 1018
  1019
 1020
 1021
 1023
 1024
          FORMAT(3F6.3)
FORMAT(5X, 'SELECT OBJECTIVE FUNCTION:D(-1),E(0),SE(1)')
FORMAT(12)
 1025
 1026
          FORMAT(12)

FORMAT(5X, 'SET PARAMETER LIMITS',/)

FORMAT(2F6.3,/,2F6.3)

FORMAT(5X, 'SET ITTERATIVE INTERVALS',/)

FORMAT(3F6.3)

FORMAT(1H1,2X, 'ANALYSIS: ',2X,A60,2X, 'N=',14,/)

FORMAT(/,10X, 'NO. SUB-UNITS = ',15,//,10X, 'AREAS = ',
 1028
 1029
 1030
 1031
 1032
 1033
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110F7.3 */ *10X * *R-TND = ',10F7.3 *//)
1034 FORMAT(2X.*CDDE: ',A6.3I3//80('*')/)
1035 FORMAT(2X.*CDDE: ',A6.3I3//87('*')/)
1036 FORMAT(14X.*PARAMETERS'.30X.*OBJECTIVE FUNCTIONS'.10X.
1/.2X.33('-').5X.47('-')./)
1037 FORMAT(2X.*B1 = ',F5.3.2X.*B2 = ',F5.3.2X.*B3 = ',F5.3
1.5X.*D = ',F6.5.2X.*E = ',F6.5.2X.*F = ',F6.5./.41X.
2'SE = ',F9.5./.41X.*MEANS: DBS = ',F9.5.2X.*EST = ',
3F9.5./.41X.*STD DEV: DBS = ',F9.5.2X.*EST = ',
3F9.5./.41X.*EEG COEF = ',F9.5.2X.*BST = ',
3F9.5.2Y.*BST = ',
3F9.5.2

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(b) INPUT AND OPERATION INSTRUCTIONS

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Baseflow (0)/Peak(1)

The input and operation instructions for INDST are similar to those of INDEX. However, this programme requires substantially longer time for optimisation and execution is therefore generally in batch mode rather than in demand mode (from a terminal). A typical runstream is given below.

| 1 | @RUN INDST.AENG-PSTAFF/ASHOPE,AENG-PASHOPE,1 | , 10 |
|------|--|--------|
| 2 | @SYM PRINT\$,,SO6PR3 | |
| З | @ASG,A ALAN | |
| 4 | @XQT ALAN.INDST | |
| 5 | 0 | |
| 6 | 0 | |
| 7 | 1 | |
| 8 | WIM15 AP5 | |
| 9 | 6 | |
| 10 | 00.478 00.794 01.070 00.977 | |
| 11 | 00.980 00.885 00.743 00.615 | |
| 12 | 05 | |
| 13 | @ADD ALAN.IND15 | |
| 14 | 0 | |
| 15 | 0,020 0.070 | |
| 16 | 1.000 1.920 | |
| 17 | 0.300 0.400 | |
| 18 | 0.001 0.001 0.001 | |
| 19 | 0 | |
| Line | Description | Format |
| 1 | | |
| 2 | Control statements for the UNIVAC 1100 | |
| 3 | | |
| 4 | | |
| 5 | Optimisation (0)/Print(1) | 12 |
| 6 | Volume (0)/Peak(1) | 12 |

| Line | Description | Format |
|------|--|--------|
| | | |
| 8 | Title | A80 |
| 9 | Number of sub-units | 12 |
| 10 | Areas of individual sub-units (km) | 10F7.3 |
| 1.1 | R-indices of individual sub-units (-) | 10F7.3 |
| | API selection (number of antecedent days) | 12 |
| 13 | Input data file | |
| 14 | Select objective function: $(D(-), E(0), SE(1))$ | 12 |
| 15 | Parameter limits - 8, | 2F6.3 |
| 16 | Parameter limits - B ₂ | 2F6.3 |
| 17 | Parameter limits - B3 | 2F6.3 |
| 18 | Iterative intervals | 3F6.3 |
| 19 | End (0)/Repeat (1) | 12 |

c) EXAMPLE OF PRINTOUT

| ANAL | YS15: | WIM | 15 AP | 5 | | | | | | | N= 43 | |
|--------|---|---|--|---|---------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|------|
| | NO. | SUB- | UNITS = | 4 | | | | | | | | |
| | ARE R-1 | AS = HD = | .478 .980 | • 79 • 88 | 1.070 .743 | .977 .615 | -000 | .000 .000 | :000 | :000 | :000 | :000 |
| C ODE: | WIH1 | 5 0 | 1 0 | | | | | | | | | 0000 |
| | | PARA | METERS | | | | 01 | JECTI | VE FUNCT | TONS | | |
| 81 = | .050 | B2 * | 1.910 | 83 = | •340 | D = 1 SE = MEANS STD DE REG CO | 5804 E 2.90424 085 = V: 085 JEF = | • .754 • .974 .95231 | 09 F = 28 EST 5.71878 BASE | .00395 = 4. EST = DNS = | 71545 5.228 7253 | 44 |
| | 08 | s | | EST | τ | 1F | PE | e . | | | | |
| | 3 810919743256346387976666506417866009886266710 3 810683193 526 71 21416437 882322 1 42 2 1 2 1 2 11 41 437 882322 1 42 | 0200 84400 5900 3100 5500 10500 10500 11300 5500 11300 11300 11300 1100 63900 9800 88200 88200 1800 6400 1800 1800 1800 1800 1800 1800 1800 1 | 1 824399192 93449112214531 8 67131 8 67131 | 818455007429325151488949493277949568523744 818459064987145515459154591545915459154591545915459 | 1 | 4956318394635151988913406237794122473662344 864923015804138166714426004623779412247366234 864924115841381667144253115553193734514253707 811584131584132962467142553112553319161491070449107044910704549 8070429937725249373451491070471425375451 8164924910705 | 44 -30 -252 -69 -182 -294 -182 | 91799151227148509493211460032289483645850924993 | | | | |

APPENDIX 12

The derivation of CN units from catchment soils and vegetation data for catchment W1M15

| Sull | | Vegetation/Land-use | | | | CN | |
|---|--------|---------------------|-----------|------|-------|------|--|
| Soil Series Trafalgar (D) Trafalgar (D) Marsh Rock 100 % Katspruit Katspruit Katspruit Davel Robmore (S) Robmore (S) | Hyd Gp | Туре | Condition | CN | Prop | Unit | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Trafalgar (D) | В | Forest | Good | - 55 | ,009 | 7 1 | |
| Trafalgar (D) | В | Forest + 50 % Rock | Good | 78 | ,006 | 1 | |
| Marsh | - | 7 | - | 98 | , 127 | 1 8 | |
| Rock 100 % | - | | - | 100 | ,001 | 2 | |
| Katspruit | D | Forest | Fair | 79 | ,003 | 7 | |
| Katspruit | D | Veld + 50 % Rock | Good | 90 | ,071 | 3 | |
| Katspruit | D | Veld + 50 % Rock | Good | 87 | ,071 | | |
| Davel | C | Forest | Fair | 73 | ,001 | 4 | |
| Robmore (S) | C | Veld | Good | 74 | ,502 | 7 | |
| Robmore (S) | С | Forest | Good | 70 | ,013 | 4 | |
| Robmore (S) | C | Forest | Fair | 73 | ,013 | | |
| Robmore (S) | С | Forest + 35 % Rock | Good | 80 | ,003 | | |
| Robmore (S) | C | Straight row crop | Poor | 85 | ,010 | 1 | |
| Robmore (D) | В | Veld | Good | 61 | ,129 | 7 5 | |
| Robmore (D) | в | Forest | Good | 55 | ,003 | | |
| Robmore (D) | В | Forest | Fair | 60 | ,003 | | |
| Robmore (D) | В | Straight row crop | Poor | 77 | ,006 | 1 | |
| Oatsdale | A | Veld | Good | 39 | ,014 | 1 | |
| Oatsdale | A | Forest | Fair | 36 | ,001 | 6 | |
| Oatsdale | A | Straight row crop | Poor | 66 | ,001 | 1 | |
| Argent | В | Veld | Good | 61 | ,005 | ٦ | |
| Argent | В | Forest | Good | 55 | ,002 | 7 | |
| Argent | В | Forest | Fair | 60 | ,001 | | |

| CN Unit | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| CN | 64,2 | 98,0 | 88,3 | 74,1 | 61,5 | 40,5 | 59,4 |
| Proportion | 0,015 | 0,128 | 0,145 | 0,542 | 0,141 | 0,016 | 0,008 |
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