

# GMS 10.5 Tutorial **MODFLOW-USG – TVM Package**

Use the Time-Variant Materials package (TVM) in GMS



## Objectives

Learn how to use the Time-Variant Materials package (TVM) with MODFLOW-USG Transport.

#### Prerequisite Tutorials

• MODFLOW-USG Transport

# Required Components

- Map Module
- Grid Module
- MODFLOW-USG Transport
- Time

• 20–30 minutes



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#### 1 Introduction

The Time-Variant Materials package (TVM) works with MODLOW-USG Transport. The TVM package allows hydraulic conductivity and storage values to be changed as a step function between stress periods or in a continuous manner through a transient simulation.

This tutorial demonstrates how the TVM package can be used with a MODFLOW-USG Transport simulation.

The problem in this tutorial consists of a two layer unstructured grid (UGrid) with a MODFLOW-USG Transport simulation. The UGrid contains a well on the second layer set with a constant pumping rate.

This tutorial will demonstrate the following topics:

- 1. Opening an existing MODFLOW-USG Transport simulation.
- 2. Create a transient conductivity coverage and dataset.
- 3. Activating the TVM package.
- 4. Running the simulation and examining the results.

#### 2 Getting Started

Do the following to get started:

- 1. If necessary, launch GMS.
- 2. If GMS is already running, select *File* / **New** to ensure that the program settings are restored to their default state.
- 3. Click **Open** i (or *File* / **Open...**) to bring up the *Open* dialog.
- 4. Browse to the *Tutorials*\*MODFLOW-USG-Transport*\*TVM* directory and select "start.gpr".
- 5. Click **Open** to import the file and close the *Open* dialog.



Figure 1 Imported MODFLOW-USG Transport model

The Graphics Window should appear as in Figure 1. This model has a two layer UGrid with a refined zone. General heads have been set at each end. There is a well on the second layer.

Before continuing, save the project with a new name.

- 1. Select *File* | **Save As...** to bring up the *Save As* dialog.
- 2. Browse to the *Tutorials*\*MODFLOW-USG-Transport*\*TVM* directory.
- 3. Enter "model-tvm.gpr" as the *File name*.
- 4. Select "Project Files (\*.gpr)" from the Save as type drop-down.
- 5. Click **Save** to save the project file and close the *Save As* dialog.

# 3 Changing the Conductivity

Before activating the TVM package, start with creating a time-variant dataset for the refined area of the UGrid. This will be done using a separate map coverage which will then be added to the model.

- 1. Right-click on the "S model" conceptual model and select New Coverage... to bring up the *Coverage Setup* dialog.
- 2. Enter "tvm\_hk" for the *Coverage name*.
- 3. In the Areal Properties column, turn on Datasets.
- 4. Click the **Datasets...** button to open the *Datasets* dialog.
- 5. Click the **Insert Row** = button
- 6. In the new row, enter "TVM\_HK".
- 7. Click **OK** to close the *Datasets* dialog.

8. Click **OK** to close the *Coverage Setup* dialog.

With the new " tvm-hk" coverage created, time-variant data needs to be added to the refined area of the UGrid.

- 9. Make certain the "🗢 tvm-hk" coverage is active in the Project Explorer.
- 10. Using the **Create Arcs**  $\checkmark$  tool, create four arcs around the refined area of the UGrid as in Figure 2 below.



Figure 2 Arcs drawn around refined around of the UGrid

- 11. Select the **Build Polygons**  $\widehat{\mathbf{L}}$  macro.
- 12. Using the **Select Polygon**  $\Sigma$  tool, double-click on the polygon to open the *Attribute Table* dialog.
- 13. Change the *TVM\_HK* column to be "<transient>".
- 14. Click the 🔤 button to open the *XY Series Editor*.
- 15. Enter the values in the table below to create a time series:

Time (d)	TVM_HK
0.0	1.5
1.0	1.5
1.0	3.0
101.0	3.0
101.0	6.0
201.0	6.0

- 16. Click **OK** to close the *XY Series Editor*.
- 17. Click **OK** to close the *Attribute Table* dialog.

The "tvm\_hk" coverage now contains time-variant material data that can be added to the MODFLOW-USG Transport simulation.

#### 4 Map to MODFLOW

The data added in the conceptual model needs to be mapped to the UGrid model.

- 1. Right-click on the "Some model" conceptual model and select *Map To* | **MODFLOW/MODPATH** to open the *Map*  $\rightarrow$  *Model* dialog.
- 2. Select All applicable coverages and click **OK** to close the  $Map \rightarrow Model$  dialog.

A new dataset, "<sup>III</sup> TVM\_HK", should appear in the Project Explorer in the MODFLOW simulation.

# 5 Activating the TVM Package

With the horizontal conductivity data available, the TVM package can now be activated and added to the MODFLOW simulation. To activate the TVM package:

- 1. Select *MODFLOW* / **Global Options...** to bring up the *MODFLOW Global/Basic Package* dialog.
- 2. Click **Packages...** to bring up the *MODFLOW Packages / Processes* dialog.
- 3. In the *Optional packages / processes* section, turn on *TVM Time Varying Materials*.
- 4. Leave all other packages at their defaults.
- 5. Click **OK** to exit the *MODFLOW Packages / Processes* dialog.
- 6. Click **OK** to exit the *MODFLOW Global/Basic Package* dialog.

## 6 Defining the TVM Package

With the time varying dataset mapped to the simulation and the TVM package activated, the parameters for the TVM package can now be defined.

- 1. Select *MODFLOW* / *Optional Packages* | **TVM Time Varying Materials...** to bring up the *TVM Package* dialog.
- 2. In the list on the left, select *HK*.
- 3. Select **Dataset to Array** to bring up the *Select Dataset* dialog.
- 4. Under *Solution*, select "TVM\_HK".
- 5. Turn on All time steps.

- 6. Click **OK** to close the *Select Dataset* dialog.
- 7. Click **OK** to close the *TVM Package* dialog.

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Figure 3 TVMPackage dialog

## 7 Saving and Running MODFLOW

The changes should now be saved before running MODFLOW-USG Transport.

- 1. Click **Save** 🖬 to save the project.
- 2. Click the **Run MODFLOW** macro in the toolbar to bring up the *MODFLOW* model wrapper dialog.
- 3. When MODFLOW finishes, check the *Read solution on exit* and *Turn on contours (if not on already)* boxes.
- 4. Click **Close** to close the *MODFLOW* model wrapper dialog.
- 5. Click **Save** los to save the project with the new solution.

The solution set should appear in the Project Explorer.

#### 8 Examining the Results

In order to more clearly see how the TVM package impacted the simulation, compare the results. This can be done by using the *Data Calculator* to create a dataset that compares the solution set with the TVM package to the previous solution set.

- 1. Click the **Data Calculator** macro to open the *Data Calculator* dialog.
- 2. In the *Datasets* section, select the "🛅 Head" dataset under the "🖆 start (MODFLOW)" folder.
- 3. In the *Time steps* section, turn on *Use all time steps*.
- 4. Click **Add to Expression**.
- 5. Click the **minus** (-) button.
- 6. In the *Datasets* section, select the "🛅 Head" dataset under the "🖆 model-tvm (MODFLOW)" folder.
- 7. Click **Add to Expression**.
- 8. Enter "diff" in the *Result* field.
- 9. Click **Compute**.
- 10. Click **Done** to close the *Data Calculator* dialog.
- 11. Select the "Indiff" dataset in the Project Explorer.
- 12. In the *Time Steps* window, use the down arrow key to step through the time steps and watch how the contours change.



Figure 4 Last time step of the difference dataset showing the results of the TMV package.

# 9 Conclusion

This concludes the tutorial. Here are the key concepts from this tutorial:

- Using the TVM Package to add time varying materials to a MODFLOW-USG Transport simulation.
- Creating a time variant dataset the **Map**  $\stackrel{\text{N}}{\leftarrow}$  module.
- Activating the TVM package for a MODFLOW simulation.