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A semi-automated modeling framework for generating hydrographic watersheds for cryohydrologic systems using Geographic Information Systems (GIS) tools is presented. The framework derives two alternate types of watersheds i) hydraulic pressure potential (Shreve 1972; Cuffey & Paterson 2010; Banwell et al. 2013), which determines surface/subsurface flow paths from the hydrostatic equation, using surface and basal topography DEMs; and ii) surface (i.e. surface flow paths) as inferred from a surface topography DEM alone. The framework utilizes standard hydrologic modeling tools available in the ArcGIS 10.2 and the ArcPy library. Specifically, DEM depression filling, flow direction, flow accumulation, basin and watershed

tools are used in conjunction with custom ArcPy routines to aggregate sub basins, identify hydrologic flow divides and delineate ice sheet hydraulic pressure potential and surface ice watersheds. Both watershed types are delineated for seven nested watersheds in southwest Greenland, derived from remotely sensed pour points along the Aussivigssuit River and its tributaries. The two alternate methods produce watersheds with dissimilar outcomes, particularly at higher elevations (670 m and above) on the ice sheet. For the Aussivigssuit River hydrologic network, surface DEM watersheds tend to be both larger in size and extend to higher elevations when compared to the hydraulic potential watersheds.

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### 1. Introduction:

Geographic Information Systems (GIS) based tools provide a practical platform for extracting hydrologic parameters from topographic and/or remotely sensed information. The advent of gridded digital elevation models (DEMs), in particular, enhances the utility of GIS based extraction of hydrologic parameters at local, regional and global scales (Morse 1968; Peucker & Douglas 1975; Mark 1984; Band 1986; Tarboton et al. 1991; Wilson et al. 2007). In terrestrial surface water systems, basic hydraulics dictate that water flows through preferential flow routes from areas of high to low elevation. GIS tools and DEMs are particularly useful for simulating these topographically defined flow-routes and separating contributing hydrologic areas according to bounding watershed ridgelines i.e. divides (Collins 1975; Marks et al. 1983; Moore et al. 1983; O'Callaghan & Mark 1984; Band 1986; Band et al. 2000).

More recently, terrestrial GIS and DEM based watershed approaches have been applied to cryo-hydrologic systems to produce hydrologic flow paths and watershed divides for glaciated systems (Rippin et al. 2003; Lewis & Smith 2009; Mernild & Liston 2012; Rennermalm et al. 2013; Bamber et al. 2013; Banwell et al. 2013; Smith et al. 2015). In such systems, principles of physics and hydraulics dictate that meltwater drains along a pressure gradient from areas of high to low pressure, the pattern of which is influenced by both bedrock and surface topography (Shreve 1972; Paterson 1993; Cuffey & Paterson 2010). However, some cryo-hydrologic studies generate watersheds using gridded surface topography alone, a direct analog for traditional terrestrial watershed delineation (Mernild & Liston 2012; Hasholt et al. 2013).

Both the hydraulic potential and the surface DEM method seek to represent different physical processes for cryo-hydrologic systems. Hydraulic potential watersheds control for surface, en-, and subglacial runoff and routing while surface DEM generated watersheds account

for surface runoff and routing. While the hydraulic potential method is generally favored from a theoretical standpoint, it is currently unknown which of these two methods is more accurate in practice for geographically delimiting the extent and shape of cryo-hydrologic watershed boundaries. Watershed delineation in cryo-hydrologic systems is further complicated by DEM resolution and varied topography along the perimeter of the ice sheets and glaciers which results in standard GIS toolboxes producing a number of small (with areas less than 10 pixels) sub basins (primarily along the ice sheet/glacier perimeters) that do not appear to be hydrologically accurate or relevant. In recognition of these uncertainties, Smith et al. 2015 propose adopting an end-member approach using both hydraulic potential and surface DEM watershed delineation methods with a range of DEM resolutions, to produce a spectrum of possible watersheds for a single pour point.

To encourage generation this multi-watershed approach, a standardized, reproducible procedure for estimating a variety of potential watersheds in cryo-hydrologic systems is needed. To that end, this study incorporates hydraulic potential and surface DEM methods into a single GIS modeling framework, here termed CryoSheds. This procedure combines assumed or observed meltwater pour points along the perimeter of an ice-sheet or glacier with gridded elevation data into a GIS-based model to produce watersheds constrained to a defined pour-point for both hydraulic pressure potential and surface DEM approaches. A feasibility demonstration is applied to seven remotely sensed pour points along the perimeter of the Greenland Ice Sheet (GrIS) in western Greenland, yielding seven candidate cryo-hydrologic watersheds that route water from the GrIS interior over and/or through the ice sheet to user-specified pour points in proglacial (terrestrial) lakes/rivers/streams. The approach thus differs from previous methods by

effectively coupling the ice sheet and proglacial zones, and allowing flexible, user-defined pour points to be located anywhere between the ice edge and coastline.

## 2. Data Requirements and Study Site:

The CyroSheds watershed modeling framework developed here requires inputs from three different sources: (1) Surface and basal topography DEMs; (2) a land-ice-ocean mask; and (3) user-selected pour points. For this first demonstration, these datasets consisted of: IceBridge BedMachine Greenland surface DEM (Morlighem et al. 2015), which is derived from the Greenland Mapping Project (GIMP) Greenland surface DEM (surface DEM) (Howat et al. 2014); BedMachine Greenland mass conservation bedrock topography (basal DEM) (Morlighem et al. 2011; Morlighem et al. 2014; Morlighem et al. 2015); the IceBridge BedMachine land cover mask, which is derived from the GIMP land cover product (land ice mask) (Morlighem et al. 2015; Howat et al. 2014); and seven remotely sensed meltwater pour points observed in 30m resolution Landsat satellite imagery.

The gridded topographic datasets are all parameters of the IceBridge BedMachine

Greenland data product, hosted by the National Snow and Ice Data Center (Morlighem et al. 2014; Morlighem et al. 2015), available in netcdf format at 150m x150m posting in the Polar

Stereographic North ESPG 3413 projection. The GrIS surface DEM (Figure 1A) is a downscaled version of the products released and hosted by Greenland Mapping Project (GIMP) (Howat et al. 2014). The BedMachine GrIS Bedrock topography DEM (Figure 1B) uses a mass conservation approach that derives ice thickness from both ice velocity estimated using Synthetic Aperture Radar interferometry and Airborne Radar estimates of ice thickness for outlet glaciers (Morlighem et al. 2011; Morlighem et al. 2014), and spatial interpolation techniques (Figure 1C).

The land-ice-ocean mask (Figure 1D) is bundled with the BedMachine data (Morlighem et al. 2014) but is a downscaled version of the GIMP ice cover mask which classifies all of Greenland as grounded ice, floating ice, or ice free land surface (Howat et al. 2014). Seven pour points were manually identified using a Landsat-8 OLI image (Scene ID LC80070132014218LGN00) collected on August 6, 2014 (Figure 2). The pour points were precisely mapped to encompass the Aussivigssuit River (AR) watershed and the nested watersheds corresponding with its northern tributary Pinguarssup Alanguata Kugssua (PK) and its southern tributary Manitsut Alanguisa Kugssuat (MK). Note that pour points PKN and PKS comprise the northern and southern branches of the PK tributary, while pour points MKN and MKS comprise the northern and southern branches of the KM tributary. Pour point PK maps the northern branch of the AR while pour point MK maps the southern branch of the AR. Pour point AR is located along the main channel of the AR river downstream of any additional GrIS sourced meltwater inputs and is directly connected to the ocean. Viewed collectively, these seven pour points provide an integrated view of seven nested land ice watersheds in southwest Greenland.

The majority of the GrIS directly connects to the global ocean via marine terminating glaciers and large calving fronts. However, the southwest coast of Greenland comprises an ice-free swath of land separating the GrIS from the ocean. In this area, land-terminating outlet glaciers terminate in proglacial rivers, streams and lakes that route GrIS meltwater to the global ocean. Within this area, the AR was identified as an ideal demonstration site for CryoSheds because it has multiple tributaries, and it exhibits varied surface and bedrock topography (especially along the GrIS perimeter).

## 3. Watershed Modeling Framework:

The utility of CryoSheds is to generate varying GrIS watersheds upstream of user-defined meltwater pour points, by integrating internally drained and/or edge basins based on modeled outflow locations and directions (Figure 3). As such, it builds upon previous studies (e.g.: Lewis and Smith 2009; Mernild and Liston 2012; Smith et al. 2015 and others) by routing watershed extents from the GrIS interior through proglacial hydrologic outlets to the ocean.

The CryoSheds modeling framework operates in ArcGIS 10.2 and the ArcPY geoprocessing environment. Many of the GIS routines are standard ArcGIS spatial analyst hydrology tools (most require the spatial analyst extension), while additional routines and loops were scripted in python using the ArcPy library (python scripts are included in appendix). Its major geoprocessing steps are outlined in Figure 5 and are discussed in detail in the sections to follow.

# 3.1 Outlet Snapping to DEM grid:

CryoSheds defines a pour point as any user-specified proglacial location that is snapped to a DEM-derived hydrologic stream network intersecting the ice edge. In DEM based feature extraction, hydrologic features are reduced to a set of pixels and a vector line connecting the centroid of each pixel is computed. To define contributing watersheds, each outlet location must snap to the DEM hydrologic grid. To achieve this, streams are extracted from the input surface DEM following Tarboton et al. (1991) and others and pour points are manually snapped to the DEM extracted stream network (Figure 2).

To extract streams, first a depression-free DEM is created by filling all sinks. This step ensures that every cell in the DEM is a part of at least one path of cells that routes to the edge of the DEM (Jenson & Domingue 1988). Next, the 8-neighbor flow direction (i.e. the direction that

water is routed from each cell to its downstream neighbor) is calculated for each cell in the DEM (Jenson & Domingue 1988). The flow direction grid is then used as the input to calculate a flow accumulation grid which, for every cell, calculates the cumulative number of upstream cells that flow to that cell. For example, a cell with a flow accumulation value of zero corresponds with a ridgeline, while cells with high flow accumulation values correspond with hydrologic features and/or flow paths (Jenson & Domingue 1988).

For the purposes of this CryoSheds demonstration, streams were defined as cells with flow accumulation values of 100 or greater. This is a relatively low threshold but the DEM extracted streams were solely used to validate the AR river network and to snap pour points to the BedMachine grid. It is important to note that for many GIS applications an automated snap outlet to grid procedure is sufficient. However, an automated approach is not recommended for use in Greenland because anomalies in land surface DEM extracted streams may route meltwater into ancillary watersheds where no ice-connected hydrologic features are observed.

#### 3.2 Land Watershed Delineation:

For each assumed or observed pour point, the upstream watershed is delineated for the contributing non-ice land surface area using the input depression free surface DEM, flow direction grid and snapped meltwater pour points (Figure 2). Next, a one pixel mask is generated for the interior of the GrIS boundary file, the mask is intersected with each land watershed and a pour point numeric identifier is appended to the mask. This one-pixel mask with identifier is used to join ice sub basins into watersheds (Figure 3).

### 3.3 Ice sub-basin Delineation:

Ice sub basins define regions of an ice sheet or glacier that drain to a common pour point. Ice sub basins are generated entirely from an input DEM (ice surface DEM or hydraulic pressure grid) and thus no a priori pour point is defined. It is important to emphasize that these are potential ice sub basins and do not necessarily reflect active surface or subsurface hydrologic flow (which require above-freezing meteorological conditions to also be present). Following Smith et al. 2015 ice sub basins are generated using both hydraulic potential and surface DEM approaches, the first uses a hydraulic pressure grid and the second uses a surface DEM (Figure 4 and Figure 6).

To generate ice sub-basins from the surface DEM:

- 1. Clip the surface DEM to the ice mask
- 2. Iteratively fill the DEM by removing sinks
- 3. Calculate the eight-pixel flow direction for each grid cell
- 4. Use the flow direction grid to generate ice sub-basins.

To generate ice sub basins from a hydraulic potential grid:

- 1. Clip surface DEM and basal DEM to the ice mask
- 2. Iterative fill the surface DEM and the basal DEM by removing sinks
- 3. Calculate the hydraulic potential grid as:

$$\varphi \cong \rho_i g(h_s + 0.1y)$$

where  $\varphi$  is the calculated height of the pressure grid,  $\rho_i$  is the density of ice (assumed to be a constant 917 kg m<sup>-3</sup>), g is acceleration due to gravity (9.81 m s<sup>-2</sup>),  $h_s$  is elevation of the ice sheet surface (m), and  $\gamma$  is the elevation of the underlying basal topography (m).

The hydraulic potential method assumes: (1) that water flows along the steepest subglacial hydraulic potential gradient (Banwell et al. 2013; Shreve 1972), (2) that meltwater generated at the surface of the GrIS reaches the bed and drains along an impermeable ice-bed interface (Bjornsson 1986; Banwell et al. 2013), and (3) that water pressure equals ice overburden pressure (Shreve 1972; Cuffey & Paterson 2010; Bamber et al. 2013)

- 4. Calculate the eight-pixel flow direction for each grid cell
- 5. Use the flow direction grid to calculate ice sub-basins. It is important to note that flow direction and drainage divides are dominated by surface topography except for in cases where the bedrock slope is significantly steeper compared to the surface slope (Lewis & Smith 2009; Mernild & Liston 2012)

## 3.4 Defining ice sub basin modeled meltwater pour points:

CryoSheds defines ice sub basin pour points as the maximum flow accumulation grid cell contained within each ice sub basin. To extract ice sub basin outlets first the maximum flow accumulation for any cell contained within each ice sub basin is universally defined as the value for that entire sub basin. Next, the raster calculator tool is used to generate a difference raster, which is the difference of the flow accumulation raster and the constant value maximum flow accumulation ice sub basin mask. The result is a mask of each ice sub basin in which any grid cell with a value of zero is the meltwater pour point for the given ice sub basin in which it is contained. These modeled outlets are used, in combination with the flow direction at the outlet, to merge ice sub-basins into watersheds.

#### 3.5 Watershed delineation:

To generate watersheds, the one-pixel land watershed ice edge buffer is intersected with ice sub basin modeled meltwater outlets. Then, the pour point identifier is joined to the modeled outlet and the corresponding ice sub basin for each outlet is selected. These sub basins that flow from the GrIS and into one of the delineated land watersheds are merged together for each land watershed and meltwater outlet, here termed "ice-land watershed". Next, unmerged, internally drained ice sub basins are fused with ice watershed. Finally, a custom ice watershed iterative growing algorithm is applied in order to handle non-contained internally drained ice sub basins. The iterative growing routine starts by searching for non-contained internally drained ice sub basin pour points that are within a pixel buffer of the ice watershed edge. If pour point(s) are found, the flow direction at that pixel is determined and the pour point is projected in the direction of its DEM based flow direction until its intersection with the ice watershed of interest, another ice watershed, an ice free land surface or the ocean. If it is determined that the noncontained ice sub basin drains into the ice watershed then the sub basin is merged with the ice watershed. This ice watershed growing routine process is repeated until all non-contained ice sub basins that share a boundary with the ice watershed are checked. All ArcPy scripts of this process are included in the appendix.

#### 4. Results and Conclusions:

CryoSheds represents a self-contained, automated modeling framework that enables flexible production of varying cryo-hydrologic watersheds that route water over ice and land towards user-defined pour points. It yields two theoretically different types of cryo-hydrologic watershed delineations, one using hydraulic pressure potential to determine hydrostatic surface/subsurface

flow paths, and the other using ice surface topography alone to infer supraglacial flow paths and watershed divides. CryoSheds employs standard ArcGis tools supplemented by additional ArcPy scripts (see appendix). A first demonstration of CryoSheds for seven meltwater pour points in southwest Greenland is shown (Figure 7). Note that the two delineation approaches produce watersheds with significantly different areal sizes and elevation extents, as will be described next.

# 4.1 Areal differences between hydraulic potential and surface watersheds:

As compared to hydraulic potential watersheds, surface watersheds had areal differences ranging from 4.5% to 169.2%, with a general tendency for surface watersheds to be larger than hydraulic potential watersheds (Table 1). For example, for the MKS pour point the surface DEM watershed is 395.9 km² and the hydraulic potential watershed is 378.5 km², a 4.5% difference. In contrast, for pour point AR the surface DEM ice watershed is 22628.8km² and the hydraulic potential ice watershed is 3340.9 km², a 148.5% difference (complete size differences summarized in Table 1). Areal differences in ice watersheds generated with the hydraulic potential and surface DEM techniques given the same pour point underscores the potential for using both methods to produce end-member estimates of watersheds for cryo-hydrologic systems.

# 4.2 Elevation Extent differences between hydraulic potential and surface watersheds:

In addition to areal differences, surface watersheds typically have different shapes than corresponding hydraulic potential watersheds (Figure 7), with surface watershed tending to extend to higher elevations (Table 3). For example, the maximum ice surface elevation in the surface DEM ice watershed for pour point AR is 2560 m (WGS 1984 datum) whereas the

maximum elevation in the hydraulic potential watershed for pour point AR is 1884 m. Similarly, for pour point PK, the maximum elevation in the surface DEM ice watershed is 1357 while the maximum elevation in the hydraulic potential ice watershed is 999 (complete elevation differences are summarized in Table 3).

The maximum agreement between watershed delineations is found for pour point MKS, where 90.5% of the surface DEM ice watershed intersects the hydraulic potential ice watershed and 94.6% of the hydraulic potential ice watershed intersects the surface DEM watershed. The most dissimilar watersheds are those corresponding with outlet PKM. For the PKM ice watershed 8.1% of the surface DEM ice watershed intersects the hydraulic potential watershed and 97.8% of the hydraulic potential ice watershed intersects the surface DEM watershed (complete percent intersect results are summarized in Table 2). Differences in ice watershed elevation extent and ice watershed intersection percent are likely to due to variations in basal topography that influence hydrologic flow divides.

## 4.3 Discussions and Conclusions:

The CryoSheds modeling framework offers new utility to the Greenland hydrology science community that currently lacks a standardized procedure for effectively integrating ice sub basins into watersheds draining to defined pour point at or downstream of the ice edge. Furthermore, it offers seamless generation of two end-member watershed delineation practices currently in use by the community, each yielding different outcomes as underscored by the contrasting areal and shape differences presented here. There is no obvious explanation for these observed differences; but they are unsurprising as the two approaches simulate different physical processes. Two other possible explanations are (1) differences in root data sources between

surface and basal DEMs, which may cause grid disagreements when the two datasets are merged into a hydraulic pressure grid and results are compared with just the surface DEM; and (2) the bedrock topography in the AK watershed may be sufficiently steep compared to the surface topography such that the hydraulic potential watershed divides are dominated by bedrock rather than surface topography.

In conclusion, the CryoSheds modeling framework offers a flexible, standardized toolkit for generating a variety of ice watersheds for cryo-hydrologic systems. The non-trivial differences between the surface DEM and hydraulic potential approaches observed in this demonstration study suggest that future research should incorporate additional empirical datasets, particular hydrologic outflow (Rennermalm et al. 2012a; Rennermalm et al. 2012b; Rennermalm et al. 2014; Smith et al. 2015; Hasholt et al. 2013; Mernild & Liston 2012; Mernild & Hasholt 2009) to determine if either approach excels for the purpose of delineating cryohydrologic watersheds for the Greenland ice sheet. Until then, we suggest considering both watershed types simultaneously as end member possibilities (as presented here using CryoSheds modeling), rather than any single delineation alone.

# **Tables:**

Watershed Size Differences							
Outlet	Stream	Surface	Potentiometric	% area			
Identifier	Order	Area km2	Area km2	difference			
MKS	Low	395.9	378.5	4.5			
MKN	Low	21702.5	2733.9	155.2			
PKS	Low	148.5	196.7	27.9			
PKN	Low	381.9	31.8	169.2			
PK	Medium	530.4	228.5	79.6			
MK	Medium	22098.4	3112.4	150.6			
AR	High	22628.8	3340.9	148.5			
Summary Statistics							
Mini	mum	148.5	31.8	4.5			
Ave	rage	9698.1	1431.8	105.1			
Med	dian	530.4	378.5	148.5			
Maxi	mum	22628.8	3340.9	169.2			

Table 1: Summary of areal differences for surface DEM and hydraulic potential ice watersheds. Percent area difference for each outlet are calculated as the absolute value of the area difference between surface and potentiometric watersheds divided by the average area of the surface and hydraulic potential ice watersheds.

pour point identifier	intersecting area km <sup>2</sup>	surface DEM % intersect	Hydraulic potential % intersect
MKS	358.22	90.48	94.65
MKN	2715.59	12.51	99.33
PKS	140.40	94.57	71.40
PKN	31.12	8.15	97.81
PK	172.13	32.45	75.34
MK	3092.24	13.99	99.35
AR	3320.69	14.67	99.40

Table 2: Summary of areal intersection for ice watersheds categorized by pour point. The intersecting area km² category is the areal extent of intersection between the two ice watersheds for a given pour point. The surface % intersect category defines the percent of a surface DEM ice watershed that intersects a hydraulic potential ice watershed for a given pour point. The hydraulic potential % intersect category defines the percent of a hydraulic potential ice watershed that intersects a surface DEM ice watershed for a given pour point.

Pour Point identifier	Surface DEM		Hydraulic Potential	
	elevation (m)		elevation (m)	
	Min	Max	Min	Max
MKS	486	1362	486	1331
MKN	233	2560	233	1884
PKS	215	877	215	999
PKN	199	1357	199	670
PK	199	1357	199	999
MK	233	2560	233	1884
AR	199	2560	199	1884

Table 3: Summary table of minimum and maximum elevations (in meters above the World Geographic System 1984 datum) contained within both surface DEM and hydraulic potential ice watersheds.

# Figures:

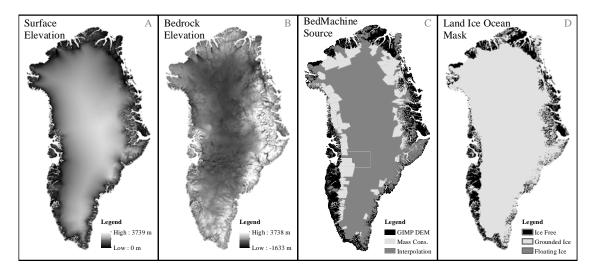


Figure 1: IceBridge BedMachine Greenland Layers. (A) The surface elevation DEM for both the ice free land surface area and GrIS ice extent is derived from the Greenland Mapping Project DEM (Howat et al. 2014). The surface elevation DEM product has a resolution of 30m but in order to be included with the IceBridge BedMachine Greenland layers, it was resampled to 150m resolution. (B) The IceBridge BedMachine Greenland bedrock elevation data (Morlighem et al. 2015; Morlighem et al. 2014). (C) The bedrock elevation data was derived using a mass conservation approach for outlet glaciers (Morlighem et al. 2011; Morlighem et al. 2014). (D) The land ice ocean mask is derived from the Greenland Mapping Project data product (Howat et al. 2014).

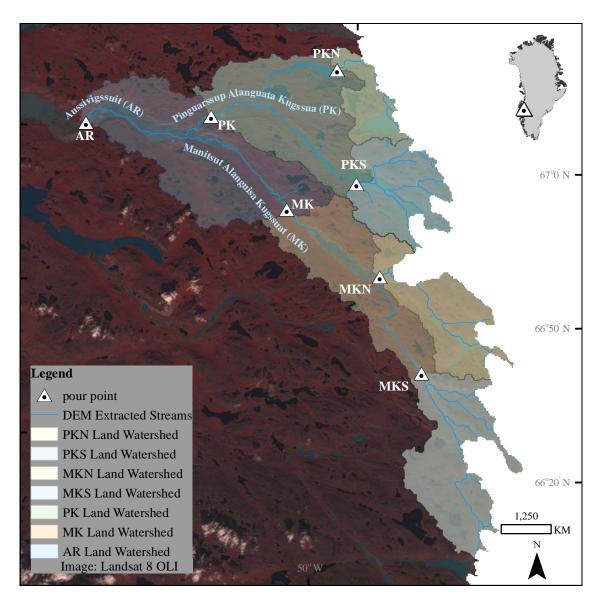


Figure 2: Seven meltwater pour points (triangles) all within the Aussivigssuit (AR) river watershed, southwest Greenland, were manually identified using a Landsat OLI image collected on August 6, 2014. The AR river is fed from the north by the Pinguarssup Alanguata Kugssua (PK) river and from the south by the Manitsut Alanguisa Kugssuat river (MK). Pour points - any point location along a terrestrial hydrologic feature that is sourced from cryo-hydrologic meltwater runoff – are drawn along the main stem of the AR river downstream of any additional inputs, along both the MK and PK tributaries and along the northern (PKN and MKN) and southern (PKS and MKS) branches of the MK and PK tributaries. The DEM extracted rivers (blue lines) and the nested land watersheds for each of the seven pour points are mapped to their intersections with the GrIS perimeter.

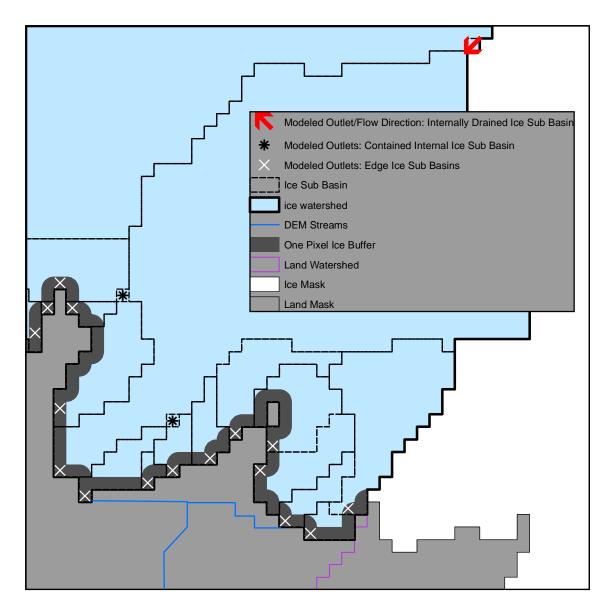


Figure 3: Illustrative figure displaying required inputs and intermediate products produced within CryoSheds modeling framework. The light grey shaded region maps non ice covered land surface area. The blue line represents the DEM extracted stream network to its intersection with the ice edge. The purple line represents the land watershed boundary to its intersection with the ice edge. The white region maps part of the ice sheet not included in the example ice watershed. The white 'x' symbols map the location of modeled pour points for ice sub basins that touch the edge of the ice sheet. CryoSheds merges ice sub basins with modeled pour points that fall within one pixel of the ice perimeter. The contained internal ice sub basins and corresponding outlets are marked by the \* symbol. CryoSheds merges contained ice sub basins into the ice watershed. The red arrow plots the modeled pour point locations and flow directions of non-contained internally drained ice sub basins. CryoSheds merges such non-contained ice sub basins based on the flow direction at the modeled pour point.

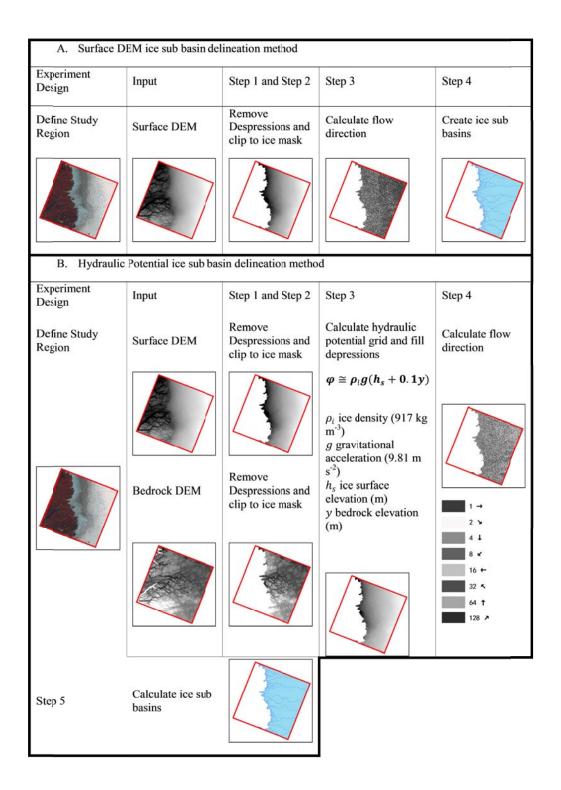


Figure 4: Conceptual diagram of ice sub basin generation steps used in the CryoSheds modeling framework. Subsection A (top) outlines the considerations, inputs and steps required to generate ice sub basins using the Surface DEM method. Subsection B (bottom) outlines the considerations, inputs and steps required to generate ice sub basins using the hydraulic potential method. Step numbers refer to those outlined in section 3.4.

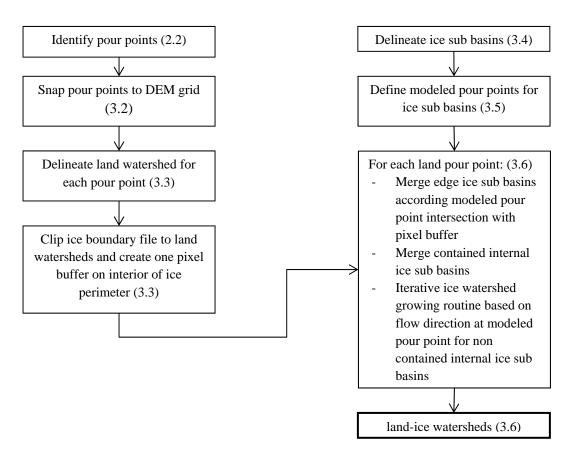


Figure 5 Conceptual diagram of the CryoSheds hydrographic watershed modeling framework. Each box corresponds to step in CryoSheds and parentheses refer to specific subsection in which the step is explained.

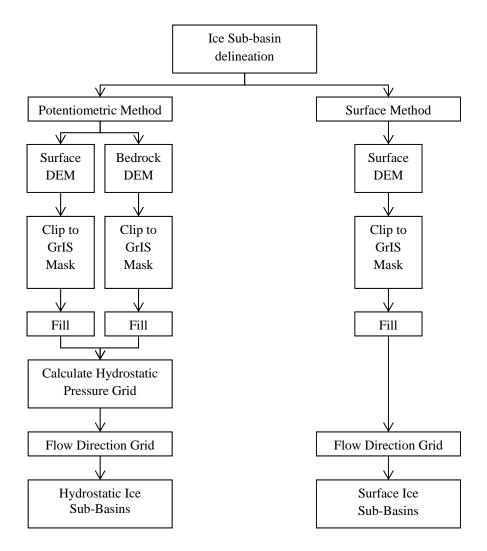


Figure 6: Ice sub-basin generation steps for both the surface DEM and hydraulic potential approaches. The hydraulic potential approach combines surface and bedrock topography into a pressure grid. This method assumes that that water flows along a pressure gradient from areas of high to low pressures (Cuffey & Paterson 2010; Shreve 1972). The surface method assumes that cryo-hydrologic drainage is driven by surface topography alone. In both methods all DEM depressions are assumed to be errors and are iteratively filled such that water is routed to the ice edge.

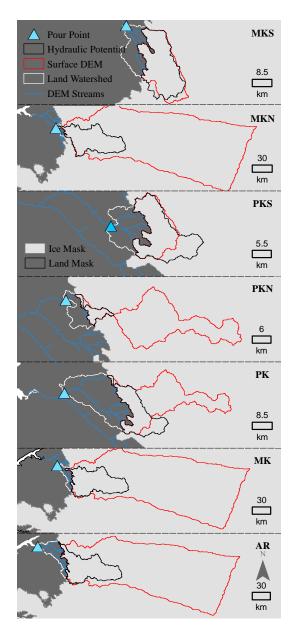


Figure 7: Map of ice watersheds for the seven pour points in the AR watershed. Triangles mark pour point locations. White lines note land watershed divides and blue lines note DEM extracted stream network. The hydraulic potential ice watersheds are mapped in black and the surface DEM ice watersheds are mapped in red. The light grey region demarcates the GrIS perimeter and extent while the dark grey region demarcates the non-ice land surface ocean shoreline and extent.

# **Appendix:**

## **Delineate Ice Sub Basins: Surface DEM**

```
# Name: GenerateIceSubBasins_Surface.py
# Purpose: Creates drainage basins for Greenland Ice Sheet based solely
on
           surface topography DEM
# Author: Lincoln H Pitcher
# Updated:
          26-February-2015
#-----
#define folder path
workSpace = '###INPUT FILE PATH###'
         #^^^insert file path here
#Environmental Set Up
#import modules
import arcpy,os,sys
from arcpy import env
from arcpy.sa import *
#check out spatial analyst extension
arcpy.CheckOutExtension("Spatial")
#Set Workspace
arcpy.env.workspace = workSpace
outputPath = workSpace
if os.path.exists(workSpace)==False:
      os.mkdir(workSpace)
#Allow Overwriting Output Files
arcpy.env.overwriteOutput = True
#-----
#Declare input variables
#Ice Surface DEM Raster File
surfaceDEM = Raster('###INPUT NAME###')
                #^^^insert file name here
surfaceDEMString = '###INPUT NAME###'
               #^^^insert file name here
#Ice Mask polygon .shp file
iceMask = '###INPUT NAME###'
        #^^^insert file name here
#-----
```

```
#Create basins based on Surface Topography only
print "Generating basins"
#clip surface DEM to ice mask extent
outExtractByMask = ExtractByMask(surfaceDEM, iceMask)
outExtractByMaskName = (surfaceDEMString.split("."))[0] + " clipIce.tif"
outExtractByMask.save(outExtractByMaskName)
print "extract by mask successful. . ."
#fill the DEM
outFill = Fill(outExtractByMask)
outFillName = (outExtractByMaskName.split("."))[0] + " fill.tif"
outFill.save(outFillName)
print "DEM fill successful. . ."
#calculate each pixels flow direction
outFlowDirection = FlowDirection(outFill, "NORMAL")
outFlowDirectionName = (outFillName.split("."))[0] + " fdr NoForce.tif"
outFlowDirection.save(outFlowDirectionName)
print "DEM flow direction successful. . ."
#calculate each pixels flow accumulation
outFlowAccumulation = FlowAccumulation(outFlowDirection)
outFlowAccumulationName = (outFlowDirectionName.split("."))[0] + " fac.tif"
outFlowAccumulation.save(outFlowAccumulationName)
print "DEM flow accumulation successful. . ."
#generate basin raster
outBasin = Basin(outFlowDirection)
outBasinRasterName = (outFlowDirectionName.split("."))[0] + " basin.tif"
outBasin.save(outBasinRasterName)
print "basins (raster) successful. . ."
#generate basin vector
#
outBasinVectorName = (outFlowDirectionName.split("."))[0] + " basin.shp"
arcpy.RasterToPolygon conversion(outBasin, outBasinVectorName, "NO SIMPLIFY")
print "basins (vector) successful. . ."
#delete variables, clear locks
del outExtractByMask, outExtractByMaskName
del outFill, outFillName
del outFlowDirection, outFlowDirectionName
del outBasin, outBasinRasterName, outBasinVectorName
print "Basins surface Complete"
#------
```

# **Delineate Ice Sub Basins: Hydraulic Potential**

```
# Name: GenerateIceSubBasins_HydraulicPotential.py
Creates drainage basins for Greenland Ice Sheet based on
             Hydraulic Potential method (Lewis & Smith 2009 and others)
           Lincoln H Pitcher
# Author:
# Updated: 26-February-2015
#-----
#define folder path
workSpace = "###INPUT FILE PATH###"
         #^^^insert file path here
#-----
#Environmental Set Up
#import modules
import arcpy,os,sys
from arcpy import env
from arcpy.sa import *
#check out spatial analyst extension
arcpy.CheckOutExtension("Spatial")
#Set Workspace
arcpy.env.workspace = workSpace
outputPath = workSpace
if os.path.exists(workSpace)==False:
       os.mkdir(workSpace)
#Allow Overwriting Output Files
arcpy.env.overwriteOutput = True
#Declare Input Variables
#Surface DEM=
surfaceDEM = "###INPUT NAME###"
          #^^^insert file name here
#Bed DEM
bedDEM = "###INPUT NAME###"
       #^^^insert file name here
#Ice Mask
iceMask = "###INPUT NAME###"
        #^^^insert file name here
1.1.1
   NOTE: Hydraulic Potential Method
   Pa = Pi * g * (h + 0.1 * y)
       Pa - subglacial hydraulic potential
```

```
Pi - density of ice (assumed to be constant 917 kg m^-3)
       g - acceleration due to gravity (9.81 m s^-2)
       h - elevation ice surface, m
       y - elevation of subglacial topography, m
 \#Pi - density of ice (assumed to be constant 917 kg m^-3)
 #
\#g - acceleration due to gravity (9.81 m s^-2)
#h - elevation ice surface (surfaceDEM) in m
h = Raster(surfaceDEM)
#y - elevation of subglacial topography (bedDEM) in m
y = Raster(bedDEM)
#------
#Create hydraulic potential basins
print "Generating basins. . ."
#clip surface DEM to ice mask extent
outExtractByMaskSurface = ExtractByMask(h, iceMask)
outExtractByMaskSurfaceName = (surfaceDEM.split("."))[0] + " clipIce.tif"
outExtractByMaskSurface.save(outExtractByMaskSurfaceName)
print "surface DEM clip to ice mask done"
#fill the surface DEM
#
outFillSurfaceDEM = Fill(outExtractByMaskSurface)
outFillSurfaceDEMName = (outExtractByMaskSurfaceName.split("."))[0] +
" fill.tif"
outFillSurfaceDEM.save(outFillSurfaceDEMName)
print "surface DEM fill done"
#clip bed DEM to ice mask extent
outExtractByMaskBed = ExtractByMask(y, iceMask)
outExtractByMaskBedName = (bedDEM.split("."))[0] + " clipIce.tif"
outExtractByMaskBed.save(outExtractByMaskBedName)
print "bedrock DEM clip to ice mask done"
#fill the bed DEM
#
outFillBedDEM = Fill(outExtractByMaskBed)
outFillBedDEMName = (outExtractByMaskBedName.split("."))[0] + " fill.tif"
outFillBedDEM.save(outFillBedDEMName)
print "basal DEM fill done"
#generate hydrostatic pressure grid
pgrid = Pi * g * (outFillSurfaceDEM + 0.1 * outFillBedDEM)
pgrid.save("pgrid.tif")
```

```
print "hydraulic potential grid complete"
#fill
#
outFill = Fill("pgrid.tif")
outFill.save("pgrid fill.tif")
print "hydraulic potential grid fill complete"
#flow direction (fdr)
outFlowDirection = FlowDirection("pgrid fill.tif", "NORMAL")
outFlowDirection.save("pgrid fill fdr.tif")
print "hydraulic potential flow direction grid done"
#flow accumulation (fac)
outflowAccumulation = FlowAccumulation("pgrid fill fdr.tif", '', 'INTEGER')
outFlowAccumulation.save("pgrid fill fdr fac.tif")
print "hydraulic potential flow accumulation grid done"
#basin raster
outBasin = Basin("pgrid fill fdr.tif")
outBasin.save("pgrid fill fdr basin.tif")
print "basins raster done"
#basin vector
arcpy.RasterToPolygon conversion(outBasin, "pgrid fill fdr basin.shp",
"NO SIMPLIFY")
print "basins vector done"
#delete variables, clear locks
del outExtractByMaskSurface, outExtractByMaskBed, pgrid, outFill
del outFlowDirection, outFlowAccumulation, outBasin
```

#### **Define Modeled Pour Points for Ice Sub Basins**

```
# Name: DefineModeledPourPointsForIceSubBasins.py
           Defines the modelled pour point, defined as the maximum
# Purpose:
             maximum flow accumulation grid cell contained within every
             ice sub basin in the input file. This technique uses zonal
              zonal statistics and a difference raster to define modelled
             pour points.
           Lincoln H Pitcher
# Author:
# Updated: 26-February-2015
#define folder path
workSpace = '###INPUT FILE PATH###'
         #^^^insert file path here
#Environmental Set Up
#import modules
import arcpy,os,sys
from arcpy import env
from arcpy.sa import *
import timeit
#time of script
start = timeit.default timer()
#check out spatial analyst extension
arcpy.CheckOutExtension("Spatial")
#Set Workspace
arcpy.env.workspace = workSpace
outputPath = workSpace
if os.path.exists(workSpace)==False:
       os.mkdir(workSpace)
#Allow Overwriting Output Files
arcpy.env.overwriteOutput = True
print "environmental set up complete"
#-----
#set file saving parameters
surfaceORpotentiometric = "###INSERT STRING###"
                        #^^^insert: 'surface' or 'hydraulicPotential'
date = "03March2015"
      #^^^insert date: ddMonthYYYY e.g. 01January2015
```

```
#Declare Input Variables
#zone data raster. zones are ice sub basins.
zoneData = "###INPUT NAME###"
         #^^^ice sub basins .tif file, value is each basin id
          #can be surface or hydraulic potential ice sub basins
# value raster. values are flow accumulation values
valueRaster = "###INPUT NAME###"
            #can be derived from surface or hydraulic potential grid
#______
#-----
#calculate zonal statistics,
#finds max flow accumulation value in each ice sub basin
zonalStatsOutput = surfaceORpotentiometric + " zonalStats " + date + ".tif"
outZonalStats = ZonalStatistics(zoneData,"FID",valueRaster,"MAXIMUM","DATA")
outZonalStats.save(zonalStatsOutput)
print 'zonal stats done'
#calc difference zonal stats output and value raster;
#0 = MAX FAC point
differenceRasterOutput = surfaceORpotentiometric +
" zonalStats difference FAC " + date + ".tif"
#define variable as type rasters
zonalStatsOutputRaster = Raster(zonalStatsOutput)
valueRasterRaster = Raster(valueRaster)
#Execute Minus
outMinus = Minus(zonalStatsOutputRaster, valueRasterRaster)
#Save output
outMinus.save(differenceRasterOutput)
print 'difference raster done'
#reclassify difference raster
#set 0 = MAX FAC point --> 1 = MAX FAC point
#all else = NoData
reclassifyRasterOutput = surfaceORpotentiometric +
" zonalStats difference FAC reclass " + date + ".tif"
#define variable as type rasters
differenceRasterOutputRaster = Raster(differenceRasterOutput)
arcpy.gp.Reclassify_sa(differenceRasterOutputRaster,"Value","0 1;1 999999999
NODATA", reclassifyRasterOutput, "DATA")
print 'reclassify done'
#conver reclassified MAX FAC to raster to MAX FAC points
outPoints = "iceSubBasin " + surfaceORpotentiometric + " maxFACpoints " +
date + ".shp"
arcpy.RasterToPoint conversion(in raster=reclassifyRasterOutput,out point fea
tures=outPoints,raster field="Value")
print 'raster to point conversion done'
#clear variables and data
```

### **Generate Land Watersheds**

```
# Name:
           CryoSheds 1 GenerateLandWatersheds.py
# Purpose: Creates watersheds for pour points in input point file
            pour points should be pre-snapped to flow accumulation grid.
            inputs required include: (1) point file with StrmID field
            (2) flow direction grid from a depression free land DEM.
# Author: Lincoln H Pitcher
# Updated: 26-February-2015
#-----
#define folder path
workSpace = '###INPUT FILE PATH###'
        #^^^insert file path here
#-----
#-----
#Environmental Set Up
#import modules
import arcpy,os,sys
from arcpy import env
from arcpy.sa import *
#check out spatial analyst extension
arcpy.CheckOutExtension("Spatial")
#Set Workspace
arcpy.env.workspace = workSpace
outputPath = workSpace
if os.path.exists(workSpace)==False:
      os.mkdir(workSpace)
#Allow Overwriting Output Files
arcpy.env.overwriteOutput = True
print "environmental set up complete"
#-----
#Declare Input Variables
points = "###INPUT NAME###"
      #^^^pour points. Must have StrmID field.
fdr = "###INPUT NAME###"
    #^^^flow direction grid from depression free land surface DEM
# initiate cursor to loop through each pour point in input point file
pointCursor = arcpy.SearchCursor(points)
# loop through each pour point in points file
```

```
for pt in pointCursor:
    # select point by FID and copy to new shapefile
   rowFID = pt.FID
   rowID = pt.StrmID
                           ###requires StrmID field in pour point file
   where = ' FID = ' + "%s"%rowFID
   ptName="del " + (points.split("."))[0] + " FID" + str(rowFID) + " " +
".shp"
   arcpy.Select analysis(points, ptName, where)
    # Execute Watershed
   outWatershed = Watershed(fdr, ptName, "Id")
    # Save the output
   watershedTifName = "Watershed_ID" + str(rowID) + ".tif"
   outWatershed.save(watershedTifName)
    # Convert raster to polygon
   watershedPolyName = "Watershed ID" + str(rowID) + ".shp"
   arcpy.RasterToPolygon conversion(watershedTifName, watershedPolyName,
"NO SIMPLIFY", "VALUE")
   print "loop done"
```

# Merge Land Watersheds into one file and populate Pour Point Identifier Attribute Field

```
#-----
# Name: CryoSheds_2_mergeLandWatershedsWithRivID.py
# Purpose: merges all land watersheds into one .shp file
           and and appends RivID from the file name to the attribute
table
# Author: Lincoln H Pitcher
# Updated: 26-February-2015
#-----
#-----
#define folder path
workSpace = '###INPUT FILE PATH###'
        #^^^insert file path here
#-----
#Environmental Set Up
#import modules
import arcpy,os,sys
from arcpy import env
from arcpy.sa import *
#check out spatial analyst extension
arcpy.CheckOutExtension("Spatial")
#Set Workspace
arcpy.env.workspace = workSpace
outputPath = workSpace
if os.path.exists(workSpace)==False:
     os.mkdir(workSpace)
#Allow Overwriting Output Files
arcpy.env.overwriteOutput = True
print "environmental set up complete"
#______
#-----
#Generate list of all polygon .shp files in workSpace that begin with
Watershed
fcList = arcpy.ListFeatureClasses("Watershed*", "Polygon")
print "fc list includes: ", fcList
#loop through each shp file in list and add pour point id
for fc in fcList:
      print "loop for fc : ", fc
      #define Pout Point ID by string name in file
      strID = long(fc[12:16])
```

### **One Pixel Ice Edge Buffer**

```
# Name: CryoSheds_3_onePixelIceEdgePixelBuffer.py
# Purpose: Clips one-pixel inside ice edge buffer to each watershed and
           appends the Pour Point Attribute Identifier to the buffer
          Lincoln H Pitcher
# Author:
# Updated: 26-February-2015
#define folder path
workSpace = '###INPUT FILE PATH###'
        #^^^insert file path here
#-----
#Environmental Set Up
#import modules
import arcpy,os,sys
from arcpy import env
from arcpy.sa import *
#check out spatial analyst extension
arcpy.CheckOutExtension("Spatial")
#Set Workspace
arcpy.env.workspace = workSpace
outputPath = workSpace
if os.path.exists(workSpace)==False:
      os.mkdir(workSpace)
#Allow Overwriting Output Files
arcpy.env.overwriteOutput = True
print "environmental set up complete"
#-----
#variables
#watershed file with pour point attribute identifier field
watersheds = "###INPUT NAME###"
          #^^^watersheds .shp file
#Ice Edge one pixel buffer
mask = "###INPUT NAME###"
    #^^^one pixel buffer .shp file
#-----
#-----
#watershed cursor
watershedsCursor = arcpy.SearchCursor(watersheds)
#loop through each basin
print "begin looping through each basin. . ."
```

```
for watershed in watershedsCursor:
    #select basin by FID and copy to new shapefile
   rowFID = watershed.FID
   where = ' FID = ' + "%s"%rowFID
   watershedName="del " + (watersheds.split("."))[0] + " FID" + str(rowFID)
+ " " + ".shp"
    arcpy.Select analysis(watersheds, watershedName, where)
    #get the pour point id from the attrib table
   pourPoint = watershed.pourPoint
    #clip mask to watershed id
    arcpy.Intersect_analysis ([watershedName, mask],
"iceMask150mBuffer PourPointID" + str(pourPoint) + ".shp")
    #delete unused fields
    arcpy.DeleteField management("iceMask150mBuffer PourPointID" +
str(pourPoint) + ".shp", ["FID del Wa", "FID bedmac", "ID 1", "GRIDCODE 1",
"ORIG FID"])
    #delete unused watersheds files
    arcpy.Delete management(watershedName)
   print "loop for watershed with pour point id: ", pourPoint, " complete"
#delete unused variables and remove locks
del watersheds, mask
```

### **Define Modeled Pour Points for Ice Sub Basins**

```
# Name: CryoSheds_4_defineModeledPourPointsForIceSubBasins.py
# Purpose: Select modeled outlets that intersect each watershed buffer
            append pour point ID to modeled outlets.
           Lincoln H Pitcher
# Author:
# Updated: 26-February-2015
#define folder path
workSpace = '###INPUT FILE PATH###'
         #^^^insert file path here
#-----
#Environmental Set Up
#import modules
import arcpy,os,sys
from arcpy import env
from arcpy.sa import *
#check out spatial analyst extension
arcpy.CheckOutExtension("Spatial")
#Set Workspace
arcpy.env.workspace = workSpace
outputPath = workSpace
if os.path.exists(workSpace)==False:
       os.mkdir(workSpace)
#Allow Overwriting Output Files
arcpy.env.overwriteOutput = True
print "environmental set up complete"
#-----
#Declare Input variables
#mask
maskList = arcpy.ListFeatureClasses("iceMask150mBuffer PourPointID*")
#surface points and a surface layer for select by location
surfacePoints = "###INPUT NAME###"
              #^^^surface points
arcpy.MakeFeatureLayer management(surfacePoints, "surfacePoints lyr")
#potentiometric points and a potentiometric layer for select by location
potentiometricPoints = "###INPUT NAME###"
                     #^^^hydraulic potential points
arcpy.MakeFeatureLayer management(potentiometricPoints,
"potentiometricPoints_lyr")
                         _____
```

```
#loop through mask and select points
for mask in maskList:
        #define pour point ID
        PourPointID = str(mask[29:33])
        PourPointID int = int(PourPointID)
        #Make fc a layer
        arcpy.MakeFeatureLayer management(mask, "mask lyr")
        #Surface ice basins
        #add a selection to point the layer based on location to point mask
layer
        arcpy.SelectLayerByLocation management ("surfacePoints lyr",
"INTERSECT", mask, "", "NEW SELECTION")
         #write selection to new fc
        arcpy.CopyFeatures management('surfacePoints lyr',
'surfacePoints PourPointID' + PourPointID + '.shp')
         #add pourPoint field to new fc
        arcpy.AddField management('surfacePoints PourPointID' + PourPointID +
'.shp', 'pourPoint', 'LONG', 9)
         #update row with Pour Point ID
        fields = ('pourPoint')
       with arcpy.da.UpdateCursor('surfacePoints PourPointID' + PourPointID
+ '.shp', fields) as cursor:
                for row in cursor:
                        row[0] = PourPointID int
                        cursor.updateRow(row)
        #Potentiometric ice basins
        #add a selection to point the layer based on location to point mask
layer
       arcpy.SelectLayerByLocation management ("potentiometricPoints lyr",
"INTERSECT", mask, "", "NEW SELECTION")
         #write selection to new fc
        arcpy.CopyFeatures management('potentiometricPoints lyr',
'potentiometricPoints PourPointID' + PourPointID + '.shp')
         #add pourPoint field to new fc
        arcpy.AddField management( 'potentiometricPoints PourPointID' +
PourPointID + '.shp', 'pourPoint', 'LONG', 9)
         #update row with Pour Point ID
        fields = ('pourPoint')
       with arcpy.da.UpdateCursor('potentiometricPoints PourPointID' +
PourPointID + '.shp', fields) as cursor:
                for row in cursor:
                        row[0] = PourPointID int
                        cursor.updateRow(row)
       print "loop for pour point id: ", PourPointID, " complete"
        #delete variables and clear locks
       del PourPointID, PourPointID int, fields
#delete variables and clear locks
del maskList, mask, surfacePoints, potentiometricPoints
```

#-----

## For Each Pour Point Merge Edge Ice Sub Basins

```
#-----
# Name: CryoSheds_5_selectEdgeIceBasinsDissovleEliminate.py
# Purpose: Selects ice sub basins that intersect modelled outlets
             dissolves basins and eliminated interior polygons
             only edge basins that intersect one-pixel ice edge buffer
             are selected.
# Author: Lincoln H Pitcher
# Updated: 26-February-2015
#define folder path
workSpace = '###INPUT FILE PATH###'
          #^^^insert file path here
#-----
#Environmental Set Up
#import modules
import arcpy,os,sys
from arcpy import env
from arcpy.sa import *
#check out spatial analyst extension
arcpy.CheckOutExtension("Spatial")
#Set Workspace
arcpy.env.workspace = workSpace
outputPath = workSpace
if os.path.exists(workSpace)==False:
       os.mkdir(workSpace)
#Allow Overwriting Output Files
arcpy.env.overwriteOutput = True
print "environmental set up complete"
#variables
#surface point list
surfacePointsList = arcpy.ListFeatureClasses("surfacePoints PourPointID*")
#hydraulic potential point list
potentiometricPointsList =
arcpy.ListFeatureClasses("potentiometricPoints PourPointID*")
#surface ice sub basins
#
surfaceBasins = "###INPUT NAME###"
              #^^^ice sub basins, surface
```

```
arcpy.MakeFeatureLayer management(surfaceBasins, "surfaceBasins lyr")
#hydraulic potential ice sub basins
potentiometricBasins = "###INPUT NAME###"
              #^^^ice sub basins, hydraulic potential
arcpy.MakeFeatureLayer management(potentiometricBasins,
"potentiometricBasins lyr")
#land mask
landMask = "###INPUT NAME###"
          #^^^land mask .shp file
#ice mask buffer
#
iceMaskBuffer = "###INPUT NAME###"
             #^^^one pixel ice mask buffer
#-----
#-----
#loop through SURFACE points list, dissolve, eliminate, buffer
for points in surfacePointsList:
       #define pour point ID
       PourPointID = str(points[25:29])
       PourPointID int = int(PourPointID)
       #Make fc a layer
       arcpy.MakeFeatureLayer management(points, "points lyr")
       #select by location
        #add a selection to point the layer based on location to point mask
layer
       arcpy.SelectLayerByLocation management ("surfaceBasins lyr",
"INTERSECT", points, "", "NEW SELECTION")
        #write selection to new fc
       arcpy.CopyFeatures management('surfaceBasins lyr',
'surfaceIceSubBasins PourPointID' + PourPointID + '.shp')
        #add pourPoint field to new fc
       arcpy.AddField management('surfaceIceSubBasins PourPointID' +
PourPointID + '.shp', 'pourPoint', 'LONG', 9)
        #update row with Pour Point ID
       fields = ('pourPoint')
       with arcpy.da.UpdateCursor('surfaceIceSubBasins PourPointID' +
PourPointID + '.shp', fields) as cursor:
              for row in cursor:
                      row[0] = PourPointID int
                      cursor.updateRow(row)
       #dissolve
       arcpy.Dissolve management('surfaceIceSubBasins PourPointID' +
PourPointID + '.shp', 'surfaceIceSubBasins PourPointID' + PourPointID +
' dissolve.shp',"pourPoint")
       #eliminate
```

```
arcpy.EliminatePolygonPart management('surfaceIceSubBasins PourPointID' +
PourPointID + '_dissolve.shp', 'surfaceIceSubBasins PourPointID' +
PourPointID + ' dissolve elim.shp', 'AREA', 999999000, '','CONTAINED ONLY')
        #150m outside buffer
        arcpy.Buffer analysis('surfaceIceSubBasins PourPointID' + PourPointID
+ ' dissolve elim.shp', 'surfaceIceSubBasins PourPointID' + PourPointID +
' 150mBuf.shp', '150 Meters', 'OUTSIDE ONLY')
        #erase land
        arcpy.Erase analysis('surfaceIceSubBasins PourPointID' + PourPointID
+ ' 150mBuf.shp', landMask, 'surfaceIceSubBasins PourPointID' + PourPointID +
' 150mBuf eraseLand.shp')
         #delete 150m outside buffer
        arcpy.Delete management('surfaceIceSubBasins PourPointID' +
PourPointID + '_150mBuf.shp')
        #erase ice perimeter buffer
       arcpy.Erase analysis('surfaceIceSubBasins PourPointID' + PourPointID
' 150mBuf eraseLand.shp',iceMaskBuffer,'surfaceIceSubBasins 150mBuf PourPoint
ID' + PourPointID + '.shp')
        #delete erase land buffer
        arcpy.Delete management('surfaceIceSubBasins PourPointID' +
PourPointID + ' 150mBuf eraseLand.shp')
       print "loop for SURFACE basins with pour point id: ", PourPointID, "
complete"
       #delete variables and clear locks
       del PourPointID, PourPointID int, fields
#loop through POTENTIOMETRIC points list, dissolve, eliminate, buffer
for points in potentiometricPointsList:
        #define pour point ID
        PourPointID = str(points[32:36])
        PourPointID int = int(PourPointID)
        #Make fc a layer
        arcpy.MakeFeatureLayer management(points, "points lyr")
        #select by location
        #add a selection to point the layer based on location to point mask
layer
       arcpy.SelectLayerByLocation management ("potentiometricBasins lyr",
"INTERSECT", points, "", "NEW SELECTION")
        #write selection to new fc
        arcpy.CopyFeatures management('potentiometricBasins lyr',
'potentiometricIceSubBasins PourPointID' + PourPointID + '.shp')
        #add pourPoint field to new fc
        arcpy.AddField management('potentiometricIceSubBasins PourPointID' +
PourPointID + '.shp', 'pourPoint', 'LONG', 9)
```

```
#update row with Pour Point ID
       fields = ('pourPoint')
       with arcpy.da.UpdateCursor('potentiometricIceSubBasins PourPointID' +
PourPointID + '.shp', fields) as cursor:
              for row in cursor:
                     row[0] = PourPointID int
                     cursor.updateRow(row)
       #dissolve
       arcpy.Dissolve management('potentiometricIceSubBasins PourPointID' +
PourPointID + '.shp', 'potentiometricIceSubBasins PourPointID' + PourPointID
+ ' dissolve.shp', "pourPoint")
       #eliminate
arcpy.EliminatePolygonPart management('potentiometricIceSubBasins PourPointID
' + PourPointID + '_dissolve.shp', 'potentiometricIceSubBasins_PourPointID' +
PourPointID + ' dissolve elim.shp', 'AREA', 999999000, '','CONTAINED ONLY')
       #150m outside buffer
       arcpy.Buffer analysis('potentiometricIceSubBasins PourPointID' +
PourPointID + ' dissolve elim.shp', 'potentiometricIceSubBasins PourPointID'
+ PourPointID + ' 150mBuf.shp', '150 Meters', 'OUTSIDE ONLY')
       #erase land
       arcpy.Erase analysis('potentiometricIceSubBasins PourPointID' +
PourPointID + ' 150mBuf.shp', landMask,
'potentiometricIceSubBasins PourPointID' + PourPointID +
' 150mBuf eraseLand.shp')
        #delete 150m outside buffer
       arcpy.Delete management('potentiometricIceSubBasins PourPointID' +
PourPointID + ' 150mBuf.shp')
       #erase ice perimeter buffer
       arcpy.Erase analysis('potentiometricIceSubBasins PourPointID' +
PourPointID +
' 150mBuf eraseLand.shp',iceMaskBuffer,'potentiometricIceSubBasins 150mBuf Po
urPointID' + PourPointID + '.shp')
       #delete erase land buffer
       arcpy.Delete management('potentiometricIceSubBasins PourPointID' +
PourPointID + ' 150mBuf eraseLand.shp')
       print "loop for POTENTIOMETRIC basins with pour point id: ",
PourPointID, " complete"
       #delete variables and clear locks
       del PourPointID, PourPointID int, fields
#-----
#-----
#delete variables and clear locks
del surfacePointsList, potentiometricPointsList, surfaceBasins,
potentiometricBasins
#-----
```

## Iterative Check for Contributing Internal Ice Sub Basin and CryoSheds Growing Routine

```
# Name: CryoSheds_6_internalBasinCheckAndGrow.py
# Purpose: check for internal drained basins, when found, merge if flow
              into basin
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# Author:
# Updated: 26-February-2015
#define folder path
workSpace = '###INPUT FILE PATH###'
          #^^^insert file path here
#-----
#Environmental Set Up
#import modules
import arcpy, os, sys
from arcpy import env
from arcpy.sa import *
#
#check out spatial analyst extension
arcpy.CheckOutExtension("Spatial")
#Set Workspace
arcpy.env.workspace = workSpace
outputPath = workSpace
if os.path.exists(workSpace)==False:
       os.mkdir(workSpace)
#Allow Overwriting Output Files
arcpy.env.overwriteOutput = True
print "environmental set up complete"
# INPUTS
# basin list
basinList = arcpy.ListFeatureClasses("###String w/ Wild-card For File
List##")
                                    #^^^string and wild-card for file list
# land mask
landMask = "###INPUT NAME###"
          #^^^land mask .shp file
# ice mask
iceMask = "###INPUT NAME###"
          #^^^ice mask .shp file
# modelled pour points
max_fac_points = "###INPUT NAME###"
          #^^^modelled pour points
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arcpy.MakeFeatureLayer management(max fac points, "max fac points lyr")
#ice sub basins
iceSubBasin = "###INPUT NAME###"
            #^^^ice sub basins .shp file
arcpy.MakeFeatureLayer management(iceSubBasin, "iceSubBasin lyr")
#constant value raster
CVRaster = "CVRaster0.tif"
  #a constant value raster
  #with pixel size = grid DEM
  #all pixel values == 0
#_______
#-----
#initiate loop through all basins in the basins list
for basin in basinList:
   print 'loop for basin: ', basin
   whileCondition = 1
   basinCheck = basin
   #define pour point ID
    #If surface = 31:35
    #If Hydraulic Potential = 38:42
   PourPointID = str(basin[31:35])
   PourPointID int = int(PourPointID)
   #set while condition
   while whileCondition == 1:
       #CHECK IF THERE ARE ANY INTERNALLY DRAINED BASINS CONTRIBUTING TO
BASIN
       #150m outside buffer
       buffer 1 = (basin.split('.'))[0] + '150mBuf.shp'
       arcpy.Buffer analysis(basinCheck, buffer 1, '150
Meters','OUTSIDE ONLY')
       #
       #erase land
       buffer 2 = (basin.split('.'))[0] + ' 150mBuf eraseLand.shp'
       arcpy.Erase analysis(buffer 1, landMask, buffer 2)
       #delete buffer 1 file b/c no longer needed
       arcpy.Delete management(buffer 1)
       #
       #erase ice perimeter buffer
       buffer 3 = (basin.split('.'))[0] + '150mBuf eraseLand eraseIce.shp'
       arcpy.Erase analysis(buffer 2,iceMask,buffer 3)
       #delete buffer 2 file b/c no longer needed
       arcpy.Delete management(buffer 2)
       #erase inside of basin
       buffer 4 = (basin.split('.'))[0] +
' 150mBuf eraseLand eraseIce eraseBasin.shp'
       arcpy.Erase analysis(buffer 3, basinCheck, buffer 4)
       #delete buffer 3 file b/c no longer needed
```

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arcpy.Delete management(buffer 3)
       #select intersecting points by location
       #add a selection to point the layer based on location to point mask
layer
       arcpy.SelectLayerByLocation management
("max fac points lyr", "INTERSECT", buffer 4, "", "NEW SELECTION")
       #declare BUFFER COUNTER (count) by counting number of selected
features
      result = arcpy.GetCount management("max fac points lyr")
      count = int(result.getOutput(0))
#-----
#-----
       if count>0:
          #check if selected points flow into the basin
          print 'count = ', count
          #COPY SELECTED POINTS TO NEW FC
          points selection = (max fac points.split('.'))[0] + ' RivID' +
str(PourPointID) + '.shp'
          arcpy.CopyFeatures management('max fac points lyr',
points selection)
          #CREATE LAND COVER MASK
           #convert basin shp file to tif
          arcpy.PolygonToRaster conversion(basin, "pourPoint",
"temp basin.tif", "CELL CENTER", "", 150)
           #convert buffer shp file to tif
          arcpy.PolygonToRaster conversion(buffer 4, "pourPoint",
"temp buf.tif", "CELL CENTER", "", 150)
           #reclassify buffer tif, make all values -9999
          outReclass1 = Reclassify("temp buf.tif", "Value",
RemapValue([[PourPointID int,-9999]]))
          outReclass1.save("temp buf reclass.tif")
           #delete original buffer tif file b/c no longer needed
          arcpy.Delete management("temp buf.tif")
           #mosaic raster
arcpy.MosaicToNewRaster management("temp basin.tif;temp buf reclass.tif;CVRas
ter0.tif", workSpace, "temp mosaic.tif", "WGS 1984 Stereographic North Pole.prj"
,"64 BIT","","1","FIRST")
          lCover = "temp mosaic.tif"
          #FIND LC VALUE
          #copy points and make cursor
          pointsCopy = (points selection.split("."))[0] + " LC.shp"
          arcpy.CopyFeatures management(points selection, pointsCopy)
          #add XY to points
          arcpy.AddXY management(pointsCopy)
          pointCursor = arcpy.UpdateCursor(pointsCopy)
#-----
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#loop through each point in pointsCopy
           for point in pointCursor:
               #get point rasterValue, X and Y coordinates
              pointX = point.POINT X
              pointY = point.POINT Y
              pointFDR = point.FDR
              pointFID = point.FID
              point LCValue = point.LCValue
              print ' looping through points with: X = ', pointX, ' Y =
', pointY, ' FDR = ', pointFDR, ' LCValue = ', point LCValue, ' FID = ',
pointFID
               print '
                        ', pointFID
               #declare point variables
                   #if LC == 1 & FDR == 1
              pointX new FDR1 = pointX + 90
              pointY new FDR1 = pointY
                   #if LC == 1 & FDR == 2
              pointX new FDR2 = pointX + 90
              pointY new FDR2 = pointY - 90
                   \#if LC == 1 \& FDR == 4
              pointX new FDR4 = pointX
              pointY new FDR4 = pointY - 90
                   #if LC == 1 & FDR == 8
              pointX new FDR8 = pointX - 90
              pointY new FDR8 = pointY - 90
                  #if LC == 1 & FDR == 16
              pointX new FDR16 = pointX - 90
              pointY new FDR16 = pointY
                  #if LC == 1 & FDR == 32
              pointX new FDR32 = pointX - 90
              pointY new FDR32 = pointY + 90
                  #if LC == 1 & FDR == 64
               pointX new FDR64 = pointX
               pointY new FDR64 = pointY + 90
                  #if LC == 1 & FDR == 128
              pointX new FDR128 = pointX + 90
              pointY new FDR128 = pointY + 90
#-----
                ______
              while(point LCValue < -1):</pre>
                  if pointFDR == 1:
                      print '
                                     point FDR = ', pointFDR
                      #create a temp point
                      tempPoint = ("temp FDR" + str(pointFDR) +
str(pointFID) + ".shp")
                      arcpy.CreateFeatureclass management(workSpace,
tempPoint, "Point", pointsCopy, "SAME AS TEMPLATE", "SAME AS TEMPLATE",
pointsCopy)
                      insertCursor = arcpy.da.InsertCursor(tempPoint,
("SHAPE@XY"))
                      newPoint = [(pointX new FDR1, pointY_new_FDR1)]
                      insertCursor.insertRow(newPoint)
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#get land cover classification for new temp point
                        tempPoint lCover = (tempPoint.split("."))[0] +
" lCover.shp"
                       ExtractValuesToPoints(tempPoint, lCover,
tempPoint lCover, "NONE", "VALUE ONLY")
                        #access Land Cover Value in new temp point
                        searchCursor = arcpy.SearchCursor(tempPoint lCover)
                        for tempPoint in searchCursor:
                                lValue = tempPoint.RASTERVALU
                                print ' point lValue = ', lValue
                        pointX new FDR1 = pointX new FDR1 + 90
                        pointY new FDR1 = pointY new FDR1
                        del tempPoint, insertCursor, newPoint,
tempPoint lCover, searchCursor
                    elif pointFDR == 2:
                        print '
                                        point FDR = ', pointFDR
                        #create a temp point
                        tempPoint = ("temp FDR" + str(pointFDR) +
str(pointFID) + ".shp")
                       arcpy.CreateFeatureclass management(workSpace,
tempPoint, "Point", pointsCopy, "SAME AS TEMPLATE", "SAME AS TEMPLATE",
pointsCopy)
                       insertCursor = arcpy.da.InsertCursor(tempPoint,
("SHAPE@XY"))
                       newPoint = [(pointX new FDR2, pointY new FDR2)]
                       insertCursor.insertRow(newPoint)
                        #get land cover classification for new temp point
                        tempPoint lCover = (tempPoint.split("."))[0] +
" lCover.shp"
                       ExtractValuesToPoints(tempPoint, lCover,
tempPoint lCover, "NONE", "VALUE ONLY")
                        #access Land Cover Value in new temp point
                        searchCursor = arcpy.SearchCursor(tempPoint lCover)
                        for tempPoint in searchCursor:
                                lValue = tempPoint.RASTERVALU
                                print '
                                               point lValue = ', lValue
                        #calculate X,Y for new point, projected to next cell
in direction of flow
                       pointX new FDR2 = pointX new FDR2 + 90
                       pointY new FDR2 = pointY new FDR2 - 90
                        del tempPoint, insertCursor, newPoint,
tempPoint lCover, searchCursor
                    elif pointFDR == 4:
                        print '
                                        point FDR = ', pointFDR
                        #create a temp point
                        tempPoint = ("temp FDR" + str(pointFDR) +
str(pointFID) + ".shp")
                       arcpy.CreateFeatureclass management(workSpace,
tempPoint, "Point", pointsCopy, "SAME AS TEMPLATE", "SAME AS TEMPLATE",
pointsCopy)
```

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insertCursor = arcpy.da.InsertCursor(tempPoint,
("SHAPE@XY"))
                        newPoint = [(pointX new FDR4, pointY new FDR4)]
                        insertCursor.insertRow(newPoint)
                        #get land cover classification for new temp point
                        tempPoint lCover = (tempPoint.split("."))[0] +
" lCover.shp"
                       ExtractValuesToPoints(tempPoint, lCover,
tempPoint lCover, "NONE", "VALUE ONLY")
                        #access Land Cover Value in new temp point
                        searchCursor = arcpy.SearchCursor(tempPoint lCover)
                        for tempPoint in searchCursor:
                                lValue = tempPoint.RASTERVALU
                                print '
                                                point lValue = ', lValue
                        #calculate X,Y for new point, projected to next cell
in direction of flow
                        pointX new FDR4 = pointX new FDR4
                       pointY new FDR4 = pointY new FDR4 - 90
                        del tempPoint, insertCursor, newPoint,
tempPoint lCover, searchCursor
                    elif pointFDR == 8:
                                         point FDR = ', pointFDR
                        print '
                        #create a temp point
                        tempPoint = ("temp FDR" + str(pointFDR) +
str(pointFID) + ".shp")
                        arcpy.CreateFeatureclass management(workSpace,
tempPoint, "Point", pointsCopy, "SAME AS TEMPLATE", "SAME AS TEMPLATE",
pointsCopy)
                        insertCursor = arcpy.da.InsertCursor(tempPoint,
("SHAPE@XY"))
                       newPoint = [(pointX new FDR8, pointY new FDR8)]
                       insertCursor.insertRow(newPoint)
                        #get land cover classification for new temp point
                        tempPoint_lCover = (tempPoint.split("."))[0] +
" lCover.shp"
                       ExtractValuesToPoints(tempPoint, lCover,
tempPoint lCover, "NONE", "VALUE ONLY")
                        #access Land Cover Value in new temp point
                        searchCursor = arcpy.SearchCursor(tempPoint lCover)
                        for tempPoint in searchCursor:
                                lValue = tempPoint.RASTERVALU
                                print '
                                                 point lValue = ', lValue
                        #calculate X,Y for new point, projected to next cell
in direction of flow
                       pointX new FDR8 = pointX new FDR8 - 90
                       pointY new FDR8 = pointY new FDR8 - 90
                        del tempPoint, insertCursor, newPoint,
tempPoint lCover, searchCursor
                    elif pointFDR == 16:
                       print '
                                       point FDR = ', pointFDR
                        #create a temp point
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tempPoint = ("temp FDR" + str(pointFDR) +
str(pointFID) + ".shp")
                        arcpy.CreateFeatureclass management(workSpace,
tempPoint, "Point", pointsCopy, "SAME AS TEMPLATE", "SAME AS TEMPLATE",
pointsCopy)
                        insertCursor = arcpy.da.InsertCursor(tempPoint,
("SHAPE@XY"))
                        newPoint = [(pointX new FDR16, pointY new FDR16)]
                        insertCursor.insertRow(newPoint)
                        #get land cover classification for new temp point
                        tempPoint lCover = (tempPoint.split("."))[0] +
" lCover.shp"
                        ExtractValuesToPoints(tempPoint, lCover,
tempPoint lCover, "NONE", "VALUE ONLY")
                        #access Land Cover Value in new temp point
                        searchCursor = arcpy.SearchCursor(tempPoint lCover)
                        for tempPoint in searchCursor:
                                lValue = tempPoint.RASTERVALU
                                print '
                                                point lValue = ', lValue
                        #calculate X,Y for new point, projected to next cell
in direction of flow
                        pointX new FDR16 = pointX new FDR16 - 90
                        pointY new FDR16 = pointY new FDR16
                        del tempPoint, insertCursor, newPoint,
tempPoint lCover, searchCursor
                    elif pointFDR == 32:
                                         point FDR = ', pointFDR
                        print '
                        #create a temp point
                        tempPoint = ("temp FDR" + str(pointFDR) +
str(pointFID) + ".shp")
                        arcpy.CreateFeatureclass management(workSpace,
tempPoint, "Point", pointsCopy, "SAME AS TEMPLATE", "SAME AS TEMPLATE",
pointsCopy)
                        insertCursor = arcpy.da.InsertCursor(tempPoint,
("SHAPE@XY"))
                        newPoint = [(pointX new FDR32, pointY new FDR32)]
                        insertCursor.insertRow(newPoint)
                        #get land cover classification for new temp point
                        tempPoint lCover = (tempPoint.split("."))[0] +
" lCover.shp"
                        ExtractValuesToPoints(tempPoint, lCover,
tempPoint lCover, "NONE", "VALUE ONLY")
                        #access Land Cover Value in new temp point
                        searchCursor = arcpy.SearchCursor(tempPoint lCover)
                        for tempPoint in searchCursor:
                                lValue = tempPoint.RASTERVALU
                                print '
                                                point lValue = ', lValue
                        #calculate X,Y for new point, projected to next cell
in direction of flow
                        pointX new FDR32 = pointX new FDR32 - 90
                        pointY new FDR32 = pointY new FDR32 + 90
                        del tempPoint, insertCursor, newPoint,
tempPoint lCover, searchCursor
```

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elif pointFDR == 64:
                       print '
                                        point FDR = ', pointFDR
                       #create a temp point
                       tempPoint = ("temp FDR" + str(pointFDR) +
str(pointFID) + ".shp")
                       arcpy.CreateFeatureclass management(workSpace,
tempPoint, "Point", pointsCopy, "SAME AS TEMPLATE", "SAME AS TEMPLATE",
pointsCopy)
                       insertCursor = arcpy.da.InsertCursor(tempPoint,
("SHAPE@XY"))
                       newPoint = [(pointX new FDR64, pointY new FDR64)]
                       insertCursor.insertRow(newPoint)
                       #get land cover classification for new temp point
                       tempPoint lCover = (tempPoint.split("."))[0] +
" lCover.shp"
                       ExtractValuesToPoints(tempPoint, lCover,
tempPoint lCover, "NONE", "VALUE ONLY")
                       #access Land Cover Value in new temp point
                       searchCursor = arcpy.SearchCursor(tempPoint lCover)
                       for tempPoint in searchCursor:
                               lValue = tempPoint.RASTERVALU
                               #calculate X,Y for new point, projected to next cell
in direction of flow
                       pointX_new_FDR64 = pointX new FDR64
                       pointY new FDR64 = pointY new FDR64 + 90
                       del tempPoint, insertCursor, newPoint,
tempPoint lCover, searchCursor
                   elif pointFDR == 128:
                       print '
                                       point FDR = ', pointFDR
                       #create a temp point
                       tempPoint = ("temp_FDR" + str(pointFDR) +
str(pointFID) + ".shp")
                       arcpy.CreateFeatureclass management(workSpace,
tempPoint, "Point", pointsCopy, "SAME AS TEMPLATE", "SAME AS TEMPLATE",
pointsCopy)
                       insertCursor = arcpy.da.InsertCursor(tempPoint,
("SHAPE@XY"))
                       newPoint = [(pointX new FDR128, pointY new FDR128)]
                       insertCursor.insertRow(newPoint)
                       #get land cover classification for new temp point
                       tempPoint lCover = (tempPoint.split("."))[0] +
" lCover.shp"
                       ExtractValuesToPoints(tempPoint, lCover,
tempPoint lCover, "NONE", "VALUE ONLY")
                       #access Land Cover Value in new temp point
                       searchCursor = arcpy.SearchCursor(tempPoint lCover)
                       for tempPoint in searchCursor:
                               lValue = tempPoint.RASTERVALU
                               print '
                                               point lValue = ', lValue
                       #calculate X,Y for new point, projected to next cell
in direction of flow
                       pointX new FDR128 = pointX new FDR128 + 90
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```
pointY new FDR128 = pointY new FDR128 + 90
                    del tempPoint, insertCursor, newPoint,
tempPoint lCover, searchCursor
                point.setValue("LCValue", lValue)
                pointCursor.updateRow(point)
                point LCValue = lValue
#-----
#-----
          if point LCValue == 0:
            whileCondition = 0
#-----
#-----
          else:
             #select points by attrib with LCValue = Basin ID Value
             where = ' LCValue = ' + "%s"%PourPointID
             pointsCopySelect=(points selection.split("."))[0] +
" LC Select.shp"
             arcpy.Select analysis(pointsCopy, pointsCopySelect, where)
             #spatial join with ice sub basins
             arcpy.SelectLayerByLocation management ("iceSubBasin lyr",
"INTERSECT", pointsCopySelect, "", "NEW SELECTION")
             iceSubBasinSelect = (iceSubBasin.split('.'))[0] + ' SelectID'
+ PourPointID + '.shp'
             arcpy.CopyFeatures management("iceSubBasin lyr",
iceSubBasinSelect)
             #update row with Pour Point ID
             arcpy.AddField management(pointsCopySelect, 'pourPoint',
'LONG', 9)
             fields = ('pourPoint')
             with arcpy.da.UpdateCursor(pointsCopySelect, fields) as
cursor:
                for row in cursor:
                    row[0] = PourPointID int
                    cursor.updateRow(row)
             #merge
             basinsMerge = (basin.split('.'))[0]+ ' SelectID' +
PourPointID + '_merge.shp'
             arcpy.Merge_management([basin, iceSubBasinSelect],
basinsMerge)
             #update row with Pour Point ID
             fields = ('pourPoint')
             with arcpy.da.UpdateCursor(basinsMerge, fields) as cursor:
                for row in cursor:
                    row[0] = PourPointID int
                    cursor.updateRow(row)
             #dissolve
```

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