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Land use changes in river basins result in flooding events that increase sediment load, which is a global concern and is becoming one of the main land management issues. Urban and agriculture development contributes to increasing trend of environmental damage within the Langat River Basin. Thus, an optimum land use pattern is necessary to meet long-term sustainable development in and around the basin. Recently, the geographic information system-based spatial process modelling have become indispensable tools for understanding natural processes occurring at the watershed scale. This study was concentrated on an applied framework for land use planning within the Langat upper catchments using the most applicable approaches for trend analysis, land use and hydrological modelling, and goal programming. In this study, the proposed framework for land use planning involved four main steps, i.e. hydrological trend analysis, land use modelling, landscape assessment and scenario making, hydrological modelling, and goal programming. Non-parametric tests, i.e. Mann-Kendall and Pettitt were used to detect gradual and abrupt changes in the hydrological data sets. The 'Cellular Automata-Markov' (CA-Markov) approach was utilised to simulate the land use change for 2020. Landscape analysis was performed using Patch Analyst to calculate six fundamental landscape metrics. Hydrological analysis was done using the 'Kinematic Runoff and Soil Erosion, Version 2' (KINEROS2) as an event-based model and 'Soil and Water Assessment Tool' (SWAT) as a continuous simulation model. Weighted goal programming (WGP) integrated with analytic hierarchy process (AHP) was employed to define optimum land use scenarios. Trend analysis results indicated significant upward trend in water discharge and increasing tendency in sediment load at the Hulu Langat Sub Basin. These increasing trends were mainly caused by rapid changes in land use. Therefore, the Hulu Langat sub basin was introduced as the most critical sub basin, in terms of hydrological changes. Validation results of CA-Markov showed a weak robustness for land use and cover change simulation due to uncertainties in the source data, the model, and future land use and cover change processes in the study area. The future land use map simulated by CA-Markov was not applied in SWAT application. However, due to capability of SWAT in land use updating, the land use map dated 2006 was updated using a transition probability matrix computed by the Markov chain. Calibration results of KINEROS2 showed excellent and very good fittings for runoff and sediment simulations based on the aggregated measure. Validation results demonstrated that KINEROS2 was reliable for runoff modelling while KINEROS2 application for sediment simulation was only valid for the period 1984-1997. Land use and cover change impacts analysis by KINEROS2 revealed that direct runoff and sediment discharge increased with the progress of urban development and unmanaged agricultural activities. The SWAT robustness for water discharge simulation during the period 1997-2008 was good. However, due to uncertainties in the conceptual model, its robustness for sediment load simulation

was only acceptable for the validation period of 2002-2004. SWAT simulation based on the future scenario caused 2.37% and 25.59% increase in monthly direct runoff and monthly sediment load, respectively, as compared to the baseline scenario. Hydrological simulation based on the water conservation scenario resulted in 2.76% and 27.48% relative decrease in monthly direct runoff and monthly sediment load, respectively, as compared to the baseline scenario. In land use optimisation, four planning alternatives were defined, i.e. A1, A2, B1, and B2. The deriving factors in land use optimisation using goal programming were: (1) Water yield, (2) Sediment load, (3) Biomass yield, (4) Surface runoff, and (5) Net income. The alternatives A1 and A2 were formulated to optimise the baseline scenario in order to achieve a possible level of water conservation targets and yield a moderate level of transition cost, with and without limitation in horticulture/cropping activities, respectively. The alternatives B1 and B2 were formulated using the same concept, but with some constraints aimed at transforming the baseline scenario toward the future plan. The analytic hierarchy process integrated with weighted goal programming approach resulted in four optimised land development alternatives that can be applied within the Hulu Langat Sub Basin.

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## MENGANALISIS DAN PERMODELAN PERBANDARAN LEGEH TROPIKA BAGI PERANCANGAN PENGGUNAAN TANAH LESTARI

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Perubahan penggunaan tanah dalam lembangan sungai mengakibatkan kebanjiran peristiwa-peristiwa yang meningkatkan beban endapan, yang merupakan satu kebimbangan global dan menjadi satu daripada isu-isu pengurusan tanah utama. Yang bandar dan pembangunan pertanian menyumbang kepada aliran meningkat kerosakan persekitaran dalam Langat River Basin. Oleh itu, satu corak guna tanah optimum perlu bertemu pembangunan lestari jangka panjang di dalam dan di sekitar lembangan. Baru-baru ini, peragaan proses ruang berasaskan Geographic Information System (GIS) telah menjadi alat-alat penting untuk proses alamiah bersefahaman berlaku di skala legeh. Kajian ini dipusatkan di satu rangka kerja gunaan untuk perancangan guna tanah dalam Langat kawasan tadahan atas menggunakan pendekatan-pendekatan kebanyakan dapat dikaitkan untuk analisis arah aliran, penggunaan tanah dan peragaan hidrologi, dan pemprograman matlamat. Dalam kajian ini, rangka kerja dicadangkan untuk perancangan guna tanah melibatkan empat langkah utama, iaitu analisis arah aliran hidrologi, peragaan penggunaan tanah, mendatar pembuatan penilaian dan senario, peragaan hidrologi, dan pemprograman matlamat. Ujian-ujian Non-berparameter, iaitu Mann Kendall and Pettitt merupakan digunakan untuk mengesan perubahan-perubahan mendadak

dan beransur-ansur dalam set-set data hidrologi. Pendekatan Cellular Automata-Markov (CA-Markov) digunakan untuk mensimulasi perubahan penggunaan tanah untuk 2020. Analisis landskap dijalankan menggunakan Patch Analyst menghitung enam metrik landskap asas. Analisis hidrologi dibuat menggunakan Kinematic Runoff and Soil Erosion-Version 2 (KINEROS2) kerana satu model berasaskan acara dan Soil and Water Assessment (SWAT) sebagai satu model simulasi selanjar. Pemprograman matlamat berat disepadukan dengan proses hierarki analitik digajikan untuk mentakrifkan senario-senario guna tanah optimum. Keputusan-keputusan analisis arah aliran menunjukkan aliran meningkat penting dalam luahan air dan kecenderungan bertambah dalam beban endapan di Hulu Langat Sub Basin. Trentren bertambah ini sebahagian besarnya di sebabkan oleh perubahan pesat dalam penggunaan tanah. Oleh itu, Hulu Langat telah diperkenalkan kerana lembangan bawah yang paling kritikal itu. Pengesahan menyebabkan CA-Markov menunjukkan satu keteguhan lemah untuk simulasi penggunaan tanah dan pertukaran kulit disebabkan ketidakpastian dalam data sumber, model, dan penggunaan tanah masa hadapan dan pertukaran kulit memproses dalam kawasan kajian. Berhubung dengan keputusan-keputusan ini, peta penggunaan tanah masa hadapan dibuat-buat oleh CA-Markov tidak digunakan dalam permohonan SWAT. Bagaimanapun, disebabkan keupayaan SWAT dalam pengemaskinian penggunaan tanah, peta penggunaan tanah bertarikh 2006 dikemas kini menggunakan satu matriks kebarangkalian peralihan dikira oleh rantai Markov. Penentukuran menyebabkan KINEROS2 menunjukkan kelengkapan cemerlang dan sangat baik untuk simulasi larian dan endapan berdasarkan ukuran teragregat. Keputusan-keputusan pengesahan menunjukkan yang KINEROS2 boleh dipercayai untuk peragaan larian manakala permohonan KINEROS2 untuk simulasi endapan hanya sah untuk tempoh 1984-1997. Land

Use/Cover Change (LUCC) memberi kesan kepada analisis oleh KINEROS2 mendedahkan bahawa aliran terus dan pengeluaran keladak menambah dengan kemajuan pembangunan bandar dan tidak diuruskan aktiviti pertanian. Keteguhan SWAT untuk simulasi luahan air sepanjang tempoh itu 1997-2008 baik. Bagaimanapun, disebabkan ketidakpastian dalam model konsep, keteguhannya untuk simulasi beban endapan hanya diterima untuk tempoh pengesahan 2002-2004. Memukul simulasi berdasarkan senario pada masa hadapan menyebabkan 2.37% dan 25.59% peningkatan dalam bulanan aliran terus dan bulanan beban endapan, masingmasing, seperti yang berbanding dengan senario garis dasar. Simulasi hidrologi berdasarkan senario pemuliharaan air menyebabkan dalam 2.76% dan 27.48% saudara dalam bulanan aliran terus dan bulanan beban endapan, masing-masing, seperti yang berbanding dengan senario garis dasar. Dalam pengoptimuman penggunaan tanah, empat alternatif-alternatif perancangan ditakrifkan, iaitu A1, A2, B1, dan B2. A1 alternatif-alternatif dan A2 dirumuskan untuk mengoptimumkan senario garis dasar supaya mencapai satu peringkat mungkin sasaran-sasaran pemuliharaan air dan menghasilkan satu tahap sederhana peralihan menelan belanja, dengan dan tanpa had dalam hortikultur/memotong aktiviti-aktiviti, masing-masing. Alternatif-alternatif B1 and B2 dirumuskan menggunakan konsep serupa, tetapi dengan beberapa kekangan bertujuan untuk berubah senario garis dasar ke arah rancangan masa depan. Pendekatan Analytic Hierarchy Process (AHP) bersepadu dengan Weighted Goal Programming (WGP) menyebabkan dalam empat alternatifalternatif pembangunan tanah dioptimumkan yang dapat diaplikasikan dalam Hulu Langat Sub Basin.

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## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

AGLT	Agricultural activities in Langat basin
AGNPS	Agricultural Non-Point Source Pollution
ATtILA	Analytical Tool Interface for Landscape Assessment
AGWA	Automated Geospatial Watershed Assessment
AHP	Analytic Hierarchy Process
AM	Aggregated Measure
AVSWAT	ArcView SWAT
BMP	Best Management Practice
BSVG	Barren or sparsely vegetated lands in Langat basin
CA	Class Area
CA-Markov	Cellular Automata-Markov
CI	Consistency Index
CLUE-S	The Conversion of Land Use and its Effects
CR	Consistency Ratio
CV	Coefficient of Variation
DA	Discriminant Analysis
DEM	Digital Elevation Model
DHR	Digital Hybrid Reflectivity
DID	Department of Irrigation and Drainage
DSS	Decision Support System
ED	Edge Density
EMN_MN	Euclidean Mean Nearest Neighbour Distance
ETM	Enhanced Thematic Mapper
FA	Factor Analysis
FGP	Fuzzy Goal Programming
FRAC_AM	weighted mean patch fractal dimension
FRSE	Evergreen forest in Langat basin
GA	Genetic Algorithm
GIS	Geographic Information System
GLUE	Generalised Likelihood Uncertainty Estimation
GP	Goal Programming
GSSHA	Gridded Surface Subsurface Hydrologic Analysis
HACA	Hierarchical Agglomerative Cluster Analysis
HEC-HMS	Hydraulic Engineering Committee-Hydrologic Modelling System
HRU	Hydrological Response Unit
IJI	Interspersion and Juxtaposition Index
IWM	Integrated Watershed Management
K2	KINEROS2
KINEROS2	Kinematic Runoff and Erosion- Version 2
LISEM	Limburg Soil Erosion Model
LPI	Largest Patch Index
LUCC	Land Use/Cover Change
LULC	Land Use/Land Cover
MB	Model Bias
MCE	Multi Criteria Evaluation

MCMC	Markov Chain Monte Carlo
MEFIDIS	Spatially Distributed Physical Erosion Model
MicroLEIS	Mediterranean Land Evaluation Information System
МК	Mann-Kendall
MLD	Million Litre per Day
MOLA	Multi Objective Land Allocation
MPS	Mean Patch Size
MUSLE	Modified Universal Soil Loss Equation
NAHRIM	National Hydraulic Research Institute of Malaysia
NDVI	Normalised Difference Vegetation Index
NINC	Net Income
NP	Number of Patches
NS	Nash-Sutcliffe
NSE	Nash-Sutcliff Efficiency
NUMP	Number of Patches
OILP	Oil palm in Langat baisn
PBIAS	Percent Bias
PCA	Principal Component Analysis
PD	Patch Density
PLAND	Percentage of Landscape
PSCOV	Patch Size Coefficient of Variation
PWMK	Pre-Whitening Mann-Kendall
RNGE	Rangeland in Langat basin
RUBR	Rubber in Langat basin
RUSLE	Revised Universal Soil Loss Equation
SCEUA	Shuffled Complex Evolution UA
SCS	Soil Conservation Service
SD	System Dynamic
SDI	Shannon's Diversity Index
SEI	Shannon's Evenness Index
SDSS	Spatial Decision Support System
SEDL	Sediment Load
SHEI	Shannon's Evenness Index
SINMAP	Stability Index Mapping
SL	Sediment Load
SPI	Standard Precipitation Index
SUFI-2	Sequential Uncertainty Fitting-Version 2
SWAT	Soil and Water Assessment Tool
SWAT-CUP	SWAT Calibration and Uncertainty Procedures
SWD	Spatiotemporal Watershed Dynamic
SWH	Significant Wave Height
TFPW	Trend Free Pre-Whitening
ТМ	Thematic Mapper
TRMM	Tropical Rainfall Measuring Mission
TSSR	Total Sum of Squared Residuals
URLT	Urbanised and built up area in Langat basin
USLE	Universal Soil Loss Equation
WATR	Water bodies in Langat basin
WCON_1 <sup>st</sup> L	Water Conservation scenario at the first level of control

WCON_2 <sup>nd</sup> L	Water Conservation scenario at the second level of control
WD	Water Discharge
WEPP	Water Erosion Prediction Project
WETL	Wetland in Langat basin
WGP	Weighted Goal Programming
WLC	Weighted Linear Combination
WTP	Water Treatment Plant
WYLD	Water Yield



#### **CHAPTER 1**

## **INTRODUCTION**

#### 1.1 Background

Land use changes in river basins, which result in flooding events can increase sediment load (Garcı'a-Ruiz *et al.*, 2008; Zhang *et al.*, 2008; Zhang *et al.*, 2010). Changes in land cover result in some alterations in watershed condition and hydrological response. Globally, this is becoming one of the main land management issues (Hernandez *et al.*, 2000).

Many studies about the impact of human activities and climate change on the hydrological processes of rivers have been conducted (Nearing *et al.*, 2005; He *et al.*, 2008; Ghaffari *et al.*, 2009; Li *et al.*, 2009; Ouyang *et al.*, 2010). In recent years, application of process models and Decision Support Systems (DSSs) has become an indispensable tool for understanding natural processes occurring at the watershed scale (Sorooshian *et al.*, 1995). GIS (Geographic Information System)-based spatial modelling has become a very important tool in runoff and soil erosion studies and consequently in development of appropriate soil and water conservation strategies, especially at the watershed scale. Currently, using Spatial Decision Support Systems (SDSS) and integration of process models are increasingly being concerned to evaluate the impacts of policy measures under different scenarios in Integrated Watershed Management (IWM) (de Kort and Booij, 2007).

River systems in Malaysia consist of 1800 rivers with a total length of 38,000 km. Rapid development in Malaysia can change the natural hydrology and infiltration properties of the watersheds due to increase in impermeable acreage. Urbanisation and deforestation and uncontrolled agricultural activities are contributing to river pollution via the changes in soil physical and chemical properties and consequently change in erosion/sediment processes. Surface runoff and sediments from these regions can lead to some on-site and off-site impacts (Ayub *et al.*, 2009).

The Langat Basin is located at the south of Klang Basin, which is the most urbanised river basin in Malaysia, and it is believed that this basin is currently experiencing 'spill over' effects due to excessive development within the Klang Valley. In recent decades, the Langat Basin has experienced rapid development toward urbanisation, industrialisation and intense agriculture (Mohamed *et al.* 2009). The Langat Basin is also a main source of drinking water for surrounding areas, a source of hydropower and has an important role in flood mitigation. Over the past four decades, the Langat Basin has served approximately 50 % of the Selangor State population. However, Selangor is currently facing water shortage problems, especially in urban areas (Ayub *et al.*, 2009; Juahir *et al.*, 2010).

## 1.2 Justification

Urbanization and unmanaged agricultural activities are the most important land use types which are took place within the Langat river basin. These changes of undeveloped to developed area contribute the changes of discharge, direct runoff volume and sediment load into Langat River. The urbanization will increase the pervious and impervious area, which is identified as the main factor in increases of direct runoff volume as well as increases pollution loading into Langat River. The growing population pressure of the past decades, deforestation, lake reclamation, and embankment construction on riverbanks all exacerbated the flood situation. Thus, an optimum land use pattern is necessary to meet long-term sustainable development in and around the basin. Surface runoff and sedimentation are the most impressible hydrological and soil processes to improper land use decisions. Therefore, monitoring, assessing and predicting these processes are essential in the planning of an optimum land use pattern towards sustainable development. This leads to evaluation of suitable models (such as KINEROS2<sup>1</sup>, SWAT<sup>2</sup>, CA-Markov<sup>3</sup>) or integration of process models under local environmental and climatic conditions.

## 1.3 Significance of the Study

This study for the first time at the Langat Basin, provides a way for integrating hydrological trend analysis with hydrological and land use/landscape modelling and assessment to determine the critical sub basins, in terms of hydrological changes. Additionally, for the first time in Malaysia, weighted goal programming, integrated with analytic hierarchy process is used to optimise land use scenarios at the watershed scale.

## 1.4 Objectives

This research was conducted to achieve the following objectives:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Kinematic Runoff and Erosion-Version 2

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Soil and Water Assessment Tool

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Cellular Automata-Markov

## 1.4.1 Main Objective

To determine suitable tropical land use scenario with regard to sustainable development concept using a multi-objective programming approach

## 1.4.2 Specific Objectives

- i. To determine the most critical sub basin in terms of hydrological changes through analysis of hydrological trends
- ii. To determine Land Use/Cover Change (LUCC) by simulation and analysis using CA-Markov technique and landscape metrics
- iii. To estimate surface runoff and sediment load resulted from different tropical land use scenarios by KINEROS2, as an event based model
- iv. To estimate surface runoff and sediment load resulted from different tropical land use scenarios by SWAT, as a continuous model

## 1.5 Study Area

Hydrometeorologically, the Langat Basin is affected by two types of monsoons, i.e. the Northeast (November to March) and the Southwest (May to September). The average annual rainfall is about 2400 mm. The wettest months are April and November with average monthly rainfall exceeding 250 mm, while the driest month is June with an average monthly rainfall not exceeding 100 mm. Topographically, the Langat Basin can be divided into three distinct areas in reference to the Langat River, i.e. mountainous area in the upstream, undulating land in the centre and flat flood plain in the downstream. The Langat Basin consists of a rich diversity of landform, surface feature and land cover (Noorazuan *et al.*, 2003) (Figure 1.1).

Based on the availability of hydrometric stations in the Langat Basin, three sub basins (upstream of the Langat River) were investigated as follows:

#### 1.5.1 Lui Sub Basin

The Lui Sub Basin is located at  $3^{\circ}$  07' -  $3^{\circ}$  12' N, and 101° 52' - 101° 58' E on the upstream of Langat River with a drainage area of 68.25 km<sup>2</sup> and basin length of 11.5 km (Figure 1.1). Minimum and maximum altitudes of the basin are 61 and 1207 meters, respectively, while the average height is about 354 m above the sea level. The Lui Sub Basin is steep with an average slope of 35 %. Sg. Lui hydrometer station (Ref. No. 3118445) is located at the outlet of Lui Sub Basin with an average annual water discharge of 55.05×10<sup>6</sup> m<sup>3</sup> and an average annual sediment load of 5.88×10<sup>3</sup> tonnes. The average annual precipitation in Kg. Lui rain gauge station (Ref. No. 3118102) is about 2188.3 mm. In terms of land use, the Lui Sub Basin comprises 80.35 % forest, 9.85 % cultivated rubber and 2.6 % orchards (mostly include tropical fruits like Banana, Durian and Mango). The remaining portion of this sub basin consists of mixed horticulture and crops, urbanised area, and mining land.

## 1.5.2 Hulu Langat Sub Basin

The Hulu Langat Sub Basin is located at  $3^{\circ}$  00' -  $3^{\circ}$  17' N and 101° 44' - 101° 58' E upstream of the Langat River with a drainage area of 390.26 km<sup>2</sup> and basin length of

34.5 km. Minimum and maximum altitudes of the basin are 20 and 1479 meters, respectively while the average height is about 277.4 m above the sea level. The Hulu Langat Sub Basin is steep also with an average slope of 29.4 %. Sg. Langat hydrology station (Ref. No. 2917401) is located at the outlet of Hulu Langat Sub Basin with an average annual water discharge of  $289.64 \times 10^6$  m<sup>3</sup> and average annual sediment load of  $146.6 \times 10^3$  tonnes. The average annual precipitation in UPM Serdang station (Ref. No. 44302) is about 2453 mm. In terms of land use, the Hulu Langat Sub Basin involves 54.6 % forest, 15.6 % cultivated rubber, 15 % urban area and 2 % orchards. The remaining area of this sub basin is covered by horticulture and crops, oil palm, lake, marshland and mining land.

#### 1.5.3 Semenyih Sub Basin

The Semenyih Sub Basin is located at 2° 55' - 3° 08' N and 101° 49' - 101° 58' E with a drainage area of 235.62 km<sup>2</sup> and basin length of 26.5 km. This sub basin is also located upstream of the Langat River with minimum and maximum altitudes of 21 and 1070 meters, respectively. The average altitude is about 243.9 m above sea level with an average slope of 27.4 %. Sg. Semenyih hydrometer station (Ref. No. 2918401) is located at the outlet of Semenyih Sub Basin with an average annual water discharge of  $146.11 \times 10^6$  m<sup>3</sup> and average annual sediment load of  $36.81 \times 10^3$ tonnes. Average annual precipitation in the Ldg. Dominion rain gauge station (Ref. No. 3118107) is about 2548.8 mm. With respect to the land use map dated 2006, 53.8% of the catchment area is covered by forest and 17.4% by rubber while the oil palm and urbanised area cover 6.3% and 5.6% respectively. Secondary forest and scrub land uses occupy 3.6% and 2.4% of the sub basin area and the rest is mostly covered by the mining activities, other crops, mixed horticulture, orchard, cleared land, marshland and aquaculture activities.



Figure 1.1. Geographic location of the three sub basins in the Langat basin (Source: Topographic Maps, JUPEM)

#### **1.6 General Methodology**

In this work, two types of process models, i.e. land use simulation and hydrological simulation with mathematical programming approach were integrated into an analytic framework. The main desired measures were surface runoff and sediment load. Hydrological time series analysis was applied to define the most critical sub basin.

As depicted in Figure 1.2, this study involved four main steps to establish an analytic framework for land use planning at the watershed scale as follows,

## 1.6.1 Hydrological Trend Analysis

Understanding the trends of water discharge and sediment load time series can be a key solution to determine how hydrological systems are affected by climate change and anthropogenic disturbances (Zhang *et al.* 2008). Hence, Mann-Kendall, Pre-Whitening Mann-Kendall (PWMK), and Pettitt tests were utilised to detect gradual and abrupt changes of hydrological time series. In this work, trend analysis was employed as a key approach for determining the critical sub basins in terms of significant increase in water discharge and sediment load, additionally.

## 1.6.2 Land Use Modelling, Landscape Analysis, and Scenario Development

The CA-Markov approach was used to project the 2020 land use map. As outlined by Mahatir Bin Mohamad (1991), the year 2020 is the target time, so that by this year

Malaysia is targeted to be a fully developed country. CA-Markov modelling allows simulation of land changes among the multiple categories, and combines the CA and Markov Chain procedure for land cover prediction (Eastman, 2003). This procedure relaxes strict assumptions associated with the Markov approach and considers both spatial and temporal changes (Agarwal *et al.*, 2002).

In order to assess the changes in land use patterns over the period 1984-2020, Patch Analyst 3.0 (Grid) program under ArcView GIS software was applied for calculating the landscape metrics (Elkie *et al.* 1999), which are fundamental indices for detecting the land use change trend (Ouyang *et al.* 2010).

Different Land Use/Land Cover (LULC) scenarios, i.e. past, present, future, and water conservation scenarios were constructed to be evaluated and optimised in Goal Programming (GP).

## 1.6.3 Hydrological Modelling

With regard to the objectives of this study, two hydrologic models were utilised to assess the impacts of LUCC on the basin hydrological status.

## 1.6.3.1 KINEROS2

KINEROS2 (K2) is a physically event-based, distributed and dynamic hydrologic model (Smith *et al.*, 1999; Semmens *et al.*, 2008). In this model the catchment is approximated by a cascade of overland flow planes, channels and impoundments.

Overland flow planes can be split into multiple components with different slopes, roughness, soils, etc. In this model contiguous planes can have different width (Semmens *et al.*, 2008). Urban element models runoff based on pervious and impervious fractions (Semmens *et al.*, 2008). In K2, infiltration is dynamic and interacts with both rainfall and runoff. Conceptual model of infiltration incorporates two layers in soil profile and soil moisture will be redistributed during the storm hiatus. Sediment simulation of K2 considers multiple particle class size sediment routing, raindrop impacts and hydraulic shear entrainments. Compound channel routing in K2 differentiates main and overbank infiltration (Semmens *et al.*, 2008).

## 1.6.3.2 SWAT

SWAT, a continuous model, is capable to simulate the impact of different management practices on water, sediment and chemical yields in large complex watersheds. Simulation of the hydrology of a watershed in SWAT can be separated into two major divisions. The first division is the land phase of the hydrologic cycle. This phase controls the amount of water, sediment, nutrient and pesticide loadings to the main channel in each sub basin. The second division is water or routing phase of the hydrologic cycle which is defined as the movement of water and sediments through the channel network of watershed to the outlet (Neitsch *et al.*, 2011).

## **1.6.4** Weighted Goal Programming Integrated with Analytic Hierarchy Process

GP is a way to make the treatment of evaluation criteria more comparable (Mau-Crimmins and Liberti, 2002). For a particular problem, GP formulates all of the targets in equivalent terms and they are included in the model as constraints. In GP, the relative importance of each target can be explicitly considered by assigning weights to the deviations in the objective function. In this way, specific directions of deviation for each target can be emphasised. GP is based on the March and Simon's (1958) "satisficing" theory and represents a practical and logical approach for modelling complex, real world problems (Mohseni Saravi *et al.*, 2003; Mau-Crimmins and Liberti, 2002). Weighted Goal Programming (WGP) is a distance metric-based variant of GP to solve multi-objective optimisation problems. WGP forms a single objective function as the weighted sum of various objective functions (Verma *et al.*, 2010).

Analytic Hierarchical Process (AHP) is a measurement theory based on expert judgment to drive priority scales using pair wise comparisons (Saaty, 1980). In cases with both quantitative and qualitative criteria, a combined AHP-WGP approach can be useful for solving optimisation problems (Ho, 2007). In this work, AHP was used to determine the weight or priority of the objectives in a multi-objective optimisation problem.



Figure 1.2. General flowchart of the research methodology

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