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Water Resources Management Models for Policy Assessment

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Water resources management models support a variety of research applications, including the assessment of water availability, the allocation of water among competing uses, the evaluation of system performance, the identification of optimal system expansion, and the definition of suitable operating strategies. System analysis tools, like simulation and optimization, have been enriched with novel modelling concepts drawn from social sciences, economic analysis, conflict resolution, agent-based systems, and game theory, among others. The field has evolved from a traditional emphasis on cost-benefit analysis in water resource project investments to a wider scope that includes environmental implications, stakeholder concerns, social welfare, and human dimensions. We face now the challenge of developing integrated[...]

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