

The purpose of the "ClimateController" Manager component is to modify the daily weather supplied to the simulation before any other components use the data. It can be used, for example:

- * to approximate climate change by adding a few degrees of temperature to MinT and MaxT;
- * to 'correct' a weather file if the rainfall or temerature is known to be not quite appropriate for a location;
- * create a heat stress event by modifying temperatures for a short defined period of time;
- * create a drought by setting Rain to zero for a period of time.

Of course many other possibilities exist. See the testing below for various ways of interacting with the ClimateController component.

General parameters:

- * AllowControl, "Enable?" enables or not the whole component
- * EnableDate, "Start the climate controls beginning on date (dd/mmm/yyyy): " if this date is greater than the simulation start date then the climate controls will only be applied on and after this date. This date can appear part way through a within-year control window (see below).
- * Within Year Control, "Implement climate control only during part of the year?")] " if the controls are to be applied during only part of a year (e.g. warming up the winter months) then set this to Yes and then set appropriate dates for the next two parameters
- * ControlStart, "Within each year, the first day to start the climate controls is (dd-mmm)")] Within each year, end last day of climate control is (dd-mmm)" the date without a year (e.g. 15-mar) that is the first day that the climate controls will start if WithinYearControl is set to Yes
- * ControlEnd, "" the date without a year (e.g. 30-apr) that is the last day of climate controls if WithinYearControl is set to Yes

Weather parameters:

- * RainfallMultiplier, "Rainfall multiplier (-)" the value by which to multiply the value of rain from the weather file, set <1 to decrease rainfall, =1 to have no effect, and >1 to increase rainfall
- * RainfallAddition, "Rainfall addition (mm)" the value to add to the value of rain from the weather file, set <0 to decrease rainfall, =0 to have no effect, and >0 to increase rainfall

And as above but for other weather variables:

- * RadiationMultiplier
- * RadiationAddition
- * MinTMultiplier
- * MinTAddition
- * MaxTMultiplier
- * MaxTAddition
- * WindMultiplier
- * WindAddition
- * VPMultiplier
- * VPAddition

Limitations:

- * the component makes no checks at all about the validity of the changes (e.g. Radiation can be set bit be negative)
- * there is currently no year-on-year change allowed (e.g. temperatures increasing by an increasing percentage each year compared to the base weather file)
- * it should be possible to have more than one ClimateController component in the simulation to create more complex patterns but this has not been tested

1 TestClimateControlSettings

This series of simulations tests that:

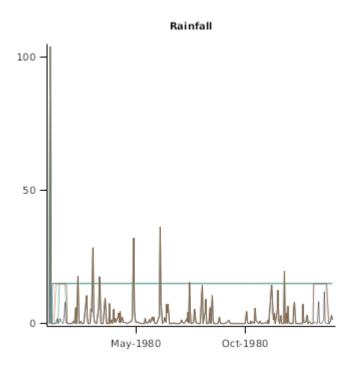
- * That disabling or enabling the whole component works (CompletelyOff)
 * Enabling the start of any climate control works (EnableFrom01Jan, EnableFrom05Jan, EnableFrom15Jan)
- * That the within-year window of control works (WithinYearControl)
- * That the start of any climate control works properly with a winthin-year window (WithinYearControlAndEnableDate)

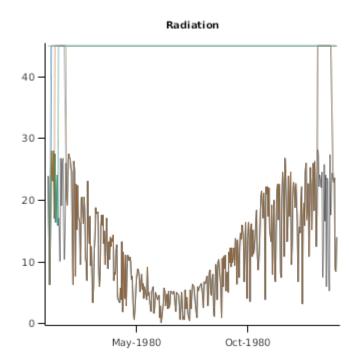
List of experiments.

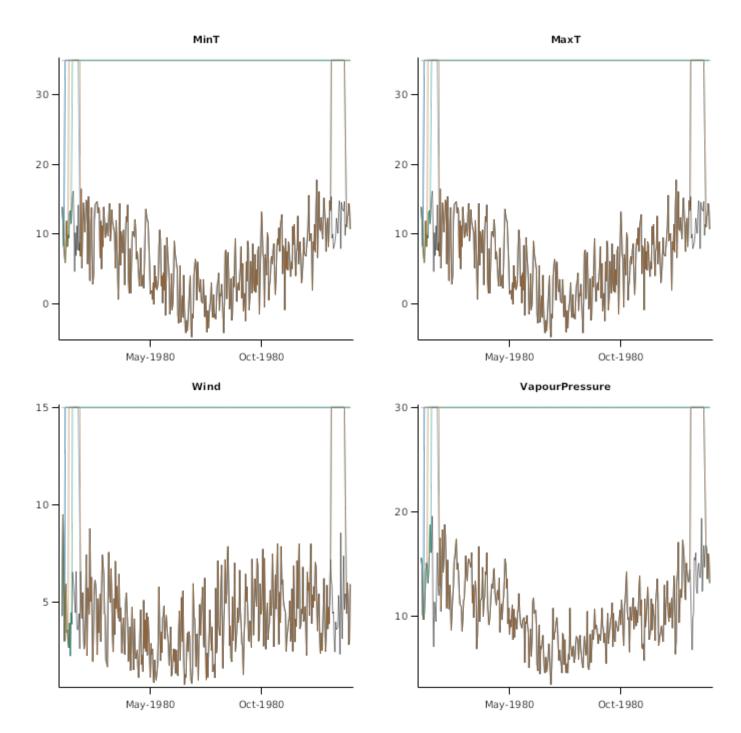
Experiment Name	Design (Number of Treatments)
ClimateControlTestSettings	ClimateScenarios (6)

1.1 ClimateControlTestSettings

1.1.1 Plots







2 TestClimateControlValues

This series of simulations tests that the mulitpliers and additions to the various climate elements have been properly enabled. There are four combinations tested:

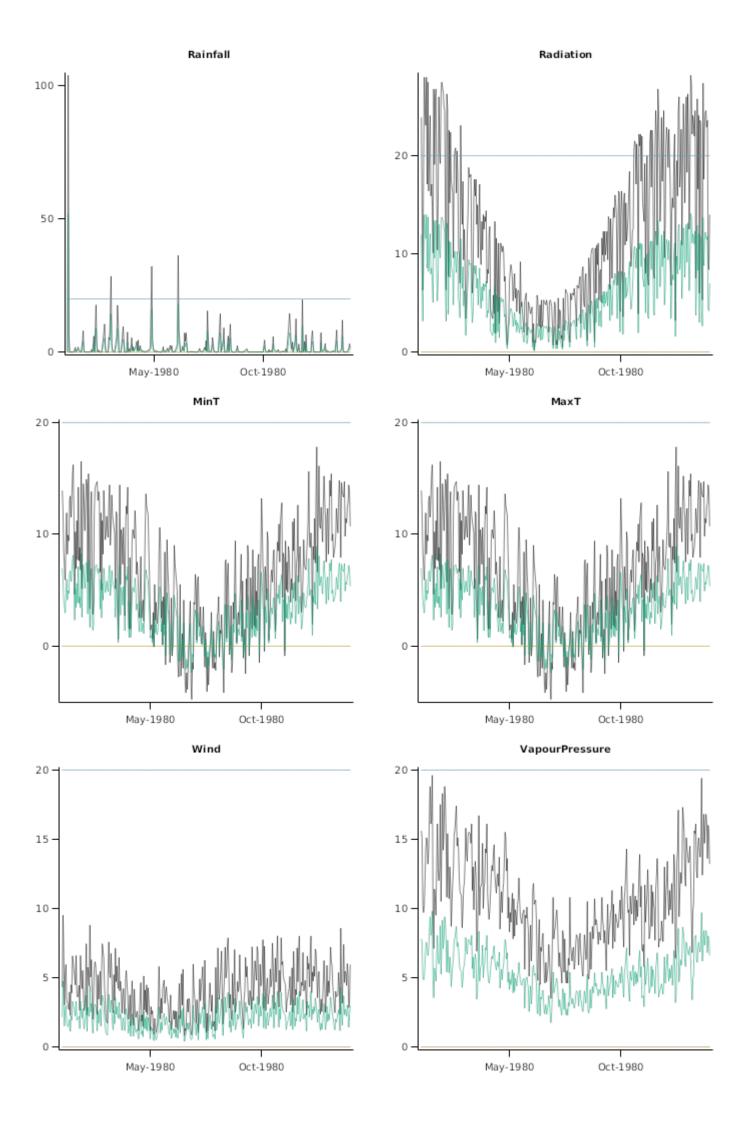
- * The unmodified weather file (NoControl)
- * Multiply by 0 and add 0 so that the parameter value will be 0 (Mult0Add0)
- * Multiply by 0 and add 20 so that the parameter value will be 20 (Mult0Add20)
- * Multiply by 0.5 and add 0 so that the parameter value will be half that in the weather file (Mult0Add20)

List of experiments.

Experiment Name	Design (Number of Treatments)
ClimateControlTestValues	ClimateScenarios (4)

2.1 ClimateControlTestValues

2.1.1 Plots



3 PracticalTest

This test has two simulations. The first is DalbyWheat with unmodified rainfall and in the second the rainfall is doubled.

