

User's Manual for CIPSR

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Executive Summary

CIPSR is an R package for running the growth and yield models CIPSANON and ORGANON. CIPSANON is a spinoff from ORGANON, an individual-tree, distance-independent growth model that was developed and refined at Oregon State University over the last 40 years by David Hann and associated staff. ORGANON simulates the growth, yield and stand dynamics of mixed coniferous and hardwood forests in southwestern Oregon (SWO variant), Douglas-fir dominated forests of northwestern Oregon (NWO variant), intensively managed Douglas-fir and western hemlock plantations in western Oregon, Washington and southwestern British Columbia (SMC variant), and red alder plantations in western Oregon and Washington (RAP variant). CIPSANON was developed by building on the basic structure of ORGANON after formation of the Center for Intensive Planted-forest Silviculture (CIPS) in 2009, but applies annual time steps and can start simulations from plantation age 0 based on measured or generated tree lists. CIPSANON focuses on intensively managed stands of Douglas-fir and western hemlock, but has been most fully developed for intensive management of Douglas-fir plantations by incorporating the effects of competing vegetation control, thinning, fertilization, genetic tree improvement and Swiss needle cast severity. CIPSANON has been a the result of a collaborative effort between CIPS staff and many other research cooperatives in the Douglas-fir region (VMRC-Vegetation Management Research Cooperative, NWTIC-Northwest Tree Improvement Cooperative, SMC-Stand Management Cooperative, USDA-FS Northwest Research Station, PNWTIRC-Pacific Northwest Tree Improvement Research Cooperative, and SNCC-Swiss Needle Cast Cooperative).

This user's manual describes the basic architecture of CIPSANON v. 4.0.0 and instructions for running the CIPSR package.

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1. Introduction

This user's manual describes how to operate the CIPSR an R package, an interface to ORGANON and CIPSANON growth and yield models, by calling a series of dynamic link library (DLL) files. All DLL files are written in FORTRAN source code and compiled as 32- and 64-bit for the Windows operating system. ORGANON is an individual-tree distance-independent growth and yield model incorporating four variants: Southwest Oregon (SWO), Northwest Oregon (NWO), Stand Management Cooperative (SMC), and red alder plantations (RAP). The first version of ORGANON was developed in southwest Oregon as part of the Forestry Intensified Research (FIR) program in the early 1980s by David Hann (Hann, 2011). CIPSANON is an individual-tree, distance-independent growth and yield model built on the ORGANON architecture and code but can simulate annual time steps and start at plantation age 0 years. The first version of CIPSANON was developed by Doug Mainwaring and staff at CIPS (Center for Intensive Planted-forest Silviculture) for Douglas-fir and western hemlock plantations growing in western Oregon, Washington, and southwestern British Columbia (Mainwaring, 2020). CIPSANON has two variants: Southwest Oregon (SWO) and Pacific Northwest (PNW). The CIPSR package **version 4.0.0** supports SWO, NWO, and SMC variants from ORGANON and the PNW [and the variant from CIPSANON].

2. Overview of the CIPSR system

The following flow chart (Fig. 1) depicts CIPSR system, showing major DLL files from CIPSANON and ORGANON and their relationship.

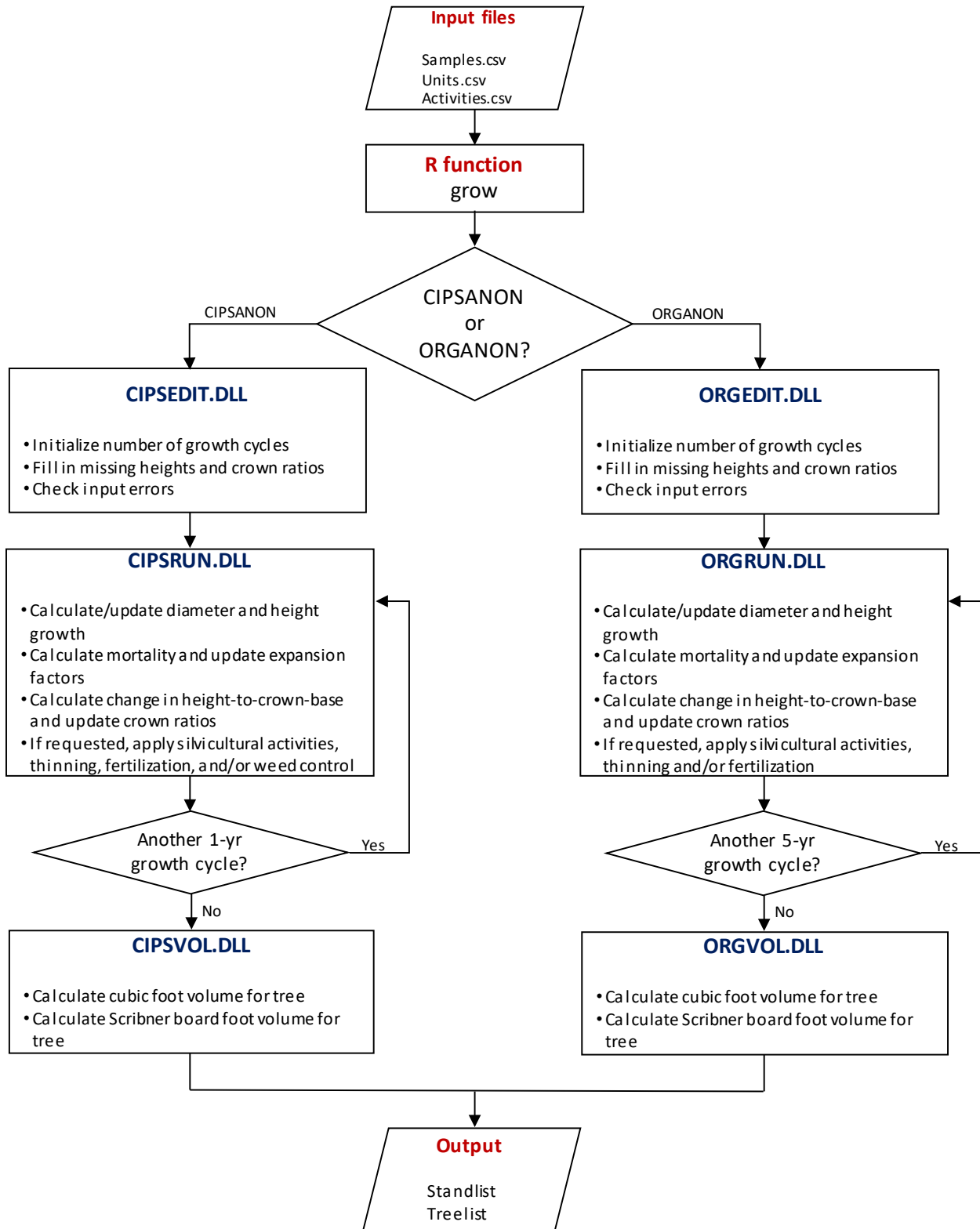


Figure 1. Flow chart of CIPSR system.

3. Installation and loading

The CIPSR package is only available for members of CIPS, can be downloaded and installed from the CIPS website (<http://cips.forestry.oregonstate.edu/>). The CIPSR package can be installed and run only in Windows computer, and the copy of R must be greater or equal to version 3.0.0. The CIPSR package is compiled as .zip file and has to keep it as .zip file. Extracted CIPSR files will not be installed. All the CIPSR files should be in the same folder. Following steps explain how to download, install, and load the ‘cipsr’:

a. Download and copy the following files into your working directory:

- “cipsr_4.0.0.zip” (‘cipsr’ package)
- “Install_run_cipsr.R” (R code to run ‘cipsr’)
- “Samples_example_cipsr.csv” (Input file)
- “Units_example_cipsr.csv” (Input file)
- “Activities_example_cipsr.csv” (Input file)

b. Run “Install_run_cipsr.R”

c. Check your working directory matches to the folder contains all CIPSR files:

```
getwd()
```

d. Install ‘cipsr’ package:

```
install.packages("cipsr_4.0.0.zip", repos = NULL, type = "win.binary")
```

e. Load ‘cipsr’ package:

```
library(cipsr)
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4. Input files in CIPSR

The CIPSR has three input files. “Samples_example_cipsr.csv” contains initial individual tree information. “Units_example.cipsr.csv” contains initial conditions and specifications of each unit for the simulation “Activities_example_cipsr.csv” prescribes silvicultural activities to each unit during the simulation, such as weed control, thinning, and fertilization. All input files must be saved as comma-delimited .csv format. These three example input files could be referenced when creating new input files with your own data. The following tables explain the description of variables and how to insert values in input files:

4.1. Samples

- “Samples_example_cipsr.csv”

Table 1. Variable description for samples input file.

| Variable | Description | Unit |
|----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| unit | Identifies the sampled stand (unit) of trees. These names must be matched with unit variable in <i>units</i> and <i>activities</i> . | - |
| sample | Identifies the sample nested within a unit. | - |
| tree | Identifies an individual tree within a sample and unit. | - |
| expan | Expansion factor. | trees/acre |
| user | Stand age (years) to remove a given tree. This value is associated with the user thinning approach which may be specified in <i>activities</i> . A value of 0 indicates that the user thinning approach will not be used | - |
| species | Tree species identification code. The table below lists species names and their corresponding codes. | - |
| dbh | Diameter at breast height. | inches |
| tht | Total tree height. The total height of each tree is not required. If left equal zero, this value will be estimated. | feet |
| cr | Crown ratio. This is the crown length of a tree (feet) divided by the total tree height (feet). If left equal zero, this value will be estimated. The crown ratio of each tree is not required. If left equal zero, this value will be estimated. | - |
| radgro | Five-year radial growth. The radial growth of each tree is not required. If left equal zero, this value will be estimated. | inches |

4.2. Units

- “Units_example_cipsr.csv”

Table 2. Variable description for units input file.

| Variable | Description | Unit |
|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|
| unit | Identifier for the sampled stand (unit) of trees. These names must be matched with unit variable in <i>samples</i> and <i>activities</i> . | - |
| latitude | Latitude (decimal degrees) of the unit. This value is only necessary when using the CIPSANON SWO variant and you want to condition growth on whc (water holding capacity) and pptdd (precipitation for degree days), but do not supply estimates of those variables. | - |
| longitude | Longitude (decimal degrees) of the unit. This value is only necessary when using the CIPSANON SWO variant and you want to condition growth on whc (water holding capacity) and pptdd (precipitation for degree days), but do not supply estimates of those variables. | - |
| pptdd | Precipitation for degree days greater than or equal to 41 degrees F. A value of zero indicates that this value will be estimated by CIPSR. A | - |

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| | value for pptdd is only necessary when the CIPSANON SWO variant is in use and you want to condition growth using whc (water holding capacity) and pptdd (precipitation for degree days), instead of site-index. | |
| whc | Water holding capacity of the top 20 inches of soil. A value of zero indicates that this value will be estimated by CIPSR. A value for whc is only necessary when the CIPSANON SWO variant is in use and you want to condition growth using whc and pptdd, instead of site-index. | - |
| wantplot | Indicates where to produce a series of descriptive graphs. (0: No graphs should be made; 1: Make graphs in R session; 2: Print graphs to a folder in the working directory) | - |
| wanttable | Indicates whether or not to produce a table of results outside of R. A limit of Microsoft Excel .csv output is enforced. If row limit is exceeded, you will be informed and referred to the big data. (0: No table should be printed to the working directory; 1: Print an Excel .csv file to a folder the working directory) | - |
| woodqual | Indicates whether or not to estimate wood quality attributes of individual trees. A value for woodqul is only necessary when the ORGANON is in use. (0: Do not estimate wood quality attributes; 1: Estimate wood quality attributes) | - |
| model | Model to be used in the simulation. (1: ORGANON; 2: CIPSANON) | - |
| variant | Model variant to be used. (For ORGANON model - 1: SWO - Southwest Oregon; 2: NWO - Northwest Oregon; 3: SMC - Stand Management Cooperative). For CIPSANON model - 1: SWO - Southwest Oregon; 2: PNW - Pacific Northwest) | - |
| driver | If CIPSANON is in use, this defines how to drive site productivity. (0: Use a traditional site index estimate; 1: Do not use site index: condition growth on whc and pptdd. Only the SWO variant of CIPSANON allows this option) | - |
| groyrs | Number of years to grow the unit. If ORGANON is used, this number should only be in 5-year increments. If CIPSANON is used, this number can be in 1-year increments. | - |
| iseven | Indicates whether or not the unit is even-aged. (0: The unit is uneven aged; 1: The unit is even aged) | - |
| partcut | Indicates whether or not the unit has been partially harvested in the past. (0: The unit has not been partially harvested; 1: The unit has been partially harvested) | - |
| pastfert | Indicates whether or not the unit has been fertilized in the past. (0: The unit has not been fertilized; 1: The unit has been fertilized) | - |
| stage | Total age of the unit (years). If the unit is uneven-aged, this value must be zero. | - |
| bhage | Breast height age of the unit (years). | - |

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| dfsi | Douglas-fir 50-year site index, depending on model variant. (SWO - Hann and Scrivani (1987), NWO - King (1966), SMC - Bruce (1981) for ORGANON, and PNW - Bruce (1981) for CIPSANON. | feet |
| otsi | Other species 50-year site-index, depending on model variant. (SWO - Hann and Scrivani (1987) for ponderosa pine, NWO - Flewelling et al. (2001) for western hemlock, SMC - Flewelling et al. (2001) for western hemlock in ORGANON, and PNW - Wiley (1978) for western hemlock in CIPSANON | feet |
| dhcal | Indicates whether or not diameter and height should be calibrated. (0: Do not calibrate diameter and height; 1: Calibrate diameter and height) | - |
| ccal | Indicates whether or not crown ratio should be calibrated. (0: Do not calibrate crown ratio; 1: Calibrate crown ratio) | - |
| dgrocal | Indicates whether or not diameter growth should be calibrated. (0: Do not calibrate diameter growth; 1: Calibrate diameter growth) | - |
| triple | Indicates whether or not to use tripling in the simulation. (0: Do not triple the tree list; 1: Triple the tree list) | - |
| maxsdi | Indicates whether or not to enforce a maximum size-density limit. (0: Do not enforce limit; 1: Enforce a maximum size-density limit) | - |
| dfsdi | Douglas-fir maximum size-density index. If left equal zero, a default maximum size-density of 520 is used. | - |
| wgsdi | White/Grand fir maximum size-density index. If left equal zero, a variant specific default maximum size-density is used. | - |
| phsdi | Ponderosa pine/Western hemlock maximum size density index. If left equal zero, a variant specific default maximum size-density is used. | - |
| weedcov | Weed cover in percent at the start of the growth period. Only available for CIPSANON model. Set to 0 for SWO variant. Must be entered for PNW variant ($0 \leq \text{weedcov} \leq 250$) | percent |
| yswc | Number of years since competing vegetation has been treated (used in the PNW variant only). Set to 0 for the SWO variant. Set to initial stand age if no treatment of competing vegetation has been done in the PNW variant. Must be less than or equal to 80 if treatment of competing vegetation has been done in the PNW variant. | - |
| gdval | Douglas-fir genetic worth value for diameter growth. If you are not conditioning growth on genetic worth, leave this value equal zero. | % |
| ghval | Douglas-fir genetic worth value for height growth. If you are not conditioning growth on genetic worth, leave this value equal zero. | % |
| dfret | Needle retention of Douglas-fir infected by Swiss-needle cast. If the unit is not infected with Swiss needle cast, leave this value equal zero. | - |
| genes | Use genetic worth values for diameter and height growth. (0: Do not use genetic worth values; 1: Use genetic worth values for diameter and height growth) | - |

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| snc | Indicates whether a unit is infected with Swiss needle cast. (0: Unit is not infected with Swiss needle cast; 1: Unit is infected with Swiss needle cast) | - |
| core | Description of the juvenile wood code when estimating wood quality attributes. (0: Assume age description; 1: Assume crown description) | - |
| cftd | Top diameter inside bark for cubic foot volume estimation. | inches |
| cfsh | Stump height for cubic foot volume estimation. | feet |
| logll | Log length for Scribner volume estimation. If set to zero, a default log length of 32 feet is used. | feet |
| logml | Minimum log length for Scribner volume estimation. If set to zero, a default minimum log length of 8 feet is used. | feet |
| logtd | Top diameter inside bark for Scribner volume estimation. If set to zero, a default top diameter of 6 inches is used. | inches |
| logsh | Stump height for Scribner volume estimation. If set to zero, a default stump height of 0.5 feet is used. | feet |
| logta | Trim allowance for Scribner volume estimation. If set to zero, a default trim allowance of 8 inches is used. | inches |

4.3. Activities

- “Activities_example_cipsr.csv”

Table 3. Variable description for activities input file.

| Variable | Description | Unit |
|----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|
| unit | Identifier for the sampled stand (unit) of trees. These names must be matched with unit variable that defined in <i>samples</i> and <i>units</i> . | - |
| trigger | Type of unit condition used to trigger a silvicultural activity: year : Stand age (years); tpa : Number of trees per acre (trees/acre); bap : Basal area per acre (sq. feet/acre); sdi : Stand density index | - |
| when | Level that a given trigger must reach in order to initiate a silvicultural activity (what) | - |
| what | Silvicultural activity to be carried out if/when a trigger is met: thin : Thin the unit to some target; fert : Fertilize the unit to some target; weed : Weed control the unit to some target | - |
| how | Instructions for how a silvicultural activity should be carried out: below : Remove trees with smaller diameter before trees with larger diameter; above : Remove trees with larger diameter before trees with smaller diameter; prop : Proportion of the stand to remove; user : Remove trees at an age specified with a user code in the sample sheet; N : Nitrogen fertilization; herb : Herbicide weed control | - |
| metric | Type of unit condition used to define the residual target of a silvicultural activity: tpa : Trees per acre (trees/ac); bap : Basal area per acre (sq. ft/ac); sdi : Stand density index (index); pounds : Pounds of fertilizer to apply per acre; percent : Percent of weed to be left. For "user" in how, input user code. | - |
| target | Intensity of silvicultural treatment in units defined by the metric. | - |
| species | Defines what species will be targeted in the thinning: 1 = all species, 3 = all hardwoods, 4 = all conifers. For one specific species, input species code. | - |

Table 4. Tree species code for CIPSR.

| Tree species code | | | | |
|-------------------|----------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Code | Species | SWO | NWO | SMC |
| 015 | White fir | Y | N | N |
| 017 | Grand fir | Y | Y | Y |
| 081 | Incense cedar | Y | N | N |
| 117 | Sugar pine | Y | N | N |
| 122 | Ponderosa pine | Y | N | N |
| 202 | Douglas-fir | Y | Y | Y |

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|-----|----------------------|---|---|---|
| 231 | Pacific yew | Y | Y | Y |
| 242 | Western red cedar | Y | Y | Y |
| 263 | Western hemlock | Y | N | Y |
| 312 | Bigleaf maple | Y | Y | Y |
| 351 | Red alder | Y | Y | Y |
| 361 | Pacific madrone | Y | Y | Y |
| 431 | Golden chinkapin | Y | N | N |
| 492 | Pacific dogwood | Y | Y | Y |
| 631 | Tanoak | Y | N | N |
| 805 | Canyon live oak | Y | N | N |
| 815 | Oregon white oak | Y | Y | Y |
| 818 | California black oak | Y | N | N |
| 920 | Willow | Y | Y | Y |

5. Run CIPSR

Once ‘cipsr’ is installed and loaded in R, you need to import three input files into R. Here is the code using example input files:

```
Samples_1 <- read.csv("Samples_example_cipsr.csv", header = T)
Units_1 <- read.csv("Units_example_cipsr.csv", header = T)
Activities_1 <- read.csv("Activities_example_cipsr.csv", header = T)
```

Three input files should be combined into one input list in R:

```
InputList <- list(samples = Samples_1,
                 units = Units_1,
                 activities = Activities_1)
```

The “grow” function in ‘cipsr’ simulates stands based on the information from three input files, now combined to one input list:

```
grown_exercise_1 <- grow(InputList)
```

6. Export output files

Generally, ‘cipsr’ has two output files: 1) standlist and 2) treelist. If you checked *wanttable* variable as 1 in units input file, output files (“cipsr_output_standlist.csv” and “cipsr_output_treelist.csv”) would be generated in “My output” folder at your working directory. If you checked *wanttable* variable as 0 in units input file, you could view your standlist and treelist output files in R by the following code:

For standlist:

```
View(grown_exercise_1$samplelist)
```

For treelist:

```
View(grown_exercise_1$treelist)
```

Also, you can download output files into your working directory. The output files would be generated in .csv:

For standlist:

```
write.csv(grown_exercise_1$samplelist,  
          "cipsr_output_standlist.csv",  
          row.names = FALSE,  
          na = "")
```

For treelist:

```
write.csv(grown_exercise_1$treelist,  
          "cipsr_output_treelist.csv",  
          row.names = FALSE,  
          na = "")
```

If the output files exceed the limit of Microsoft Excel .csv format, you can download output files as .txt into your working directory:

For standlist:

```
write.table(grown_exercise_1$samplelist,  
            file = "cipsr_output_standlist.txt",  
            sep = "\t",  
            row.names = FALSE)
```

For treelist:

```
write.table(grown_exercise_1$treelist,  
            file = "cipsr_output_treelist.txt",  
            sep = "\t",  
            row.names = FALSE)
```

6.1. Standlist output

- “cipsr_output_standlist.csv”

Table 5. Variable description for standlist output file.

| Variable | Description | Unit |
|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| model | Indicate which model was used. (1: ORGANON, 2: CIPSANON) | - |
| unit | Unit identifier corresponding with the input dataset. | - |
| period | Growth period in the simulation. | - |
| subperiod | Growth subperiod in the simulation. (0: Non-harvested subperiod; 1: Harvest subperiod) | - |
| stage | Stand age (years). | - |
| bap | Basal area per acre. | square feet/acre |
| tpa | Number of trees per acre. | tree/acre |
| qmd | Quadratic mean diameter. | inches |
| sdi | Stand density index. | index |
| rel | Relative stand density. | percent |
| bfv | Board foot volume per acre. | board feet/acre |
| cfv | Cubic foot volume per acre. | cubic feet/acre |
| weedcov | Percentage of weed cover. | % |
| yswc | Year since weed control. | year |

6.2. Treelist output

- "cipsr_output_treelist.csv"

Table 6. Variable description for treelist output file.

| Variable | Description | Unit |
|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| model | Indicate which model was used. (1: ORGANON, 2: CIPSANON) | - |
| unit | Unit identifier corresponding with the input dataset | - |
| period | Growth period in the simulation | - |
| subperiod | Growth subperiod in the simulation. (0: Non-harvested subperiod; 1: Harvest subperiod) | - |
| stage | Stand age (years) | - |
| user | Code used to mark trees for harvest at a given stand age | - |
| tree | Tree identification number | - |
| species | Species identification code | - |
| dbh | Diameter at breast height | inches |
| tht | Total tree height | feet |
| cr | Crown ratio | - |
| expan | Expansion factor | trees/acre |
| mgexp | Cut tree expansion factor | trees/acre |
| weedcov | Percentage of weed cover. | % |

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|------|----------------------------|-----------------|
| yswc | Year since weed control. | year |
| cfv | Cubic foot volume | cubic feet/tree |
| bfv | Scribner board foot volume | board feet/tree |

7. Version history

Table 7. Version history of CIPSR.

| Version | Description of the updates to CIPSR | Releasing date | Senior developer |
|---------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| 4.0.0 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updated CIPSANON equations. Fixed an issue that projected top height at age 50 years was less than the estimated site index. | 7/23/2018 | S. Joo |
| 3.0.0 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Incorporated THINNING.DLL files. Added vegetation control responses. Allowed to project young trees (total height below breast height with DBH=0). Changed a format of input files from one .xls to three comma-delimited .csv files (samples.csv, units.csv, activities.csv). The ‘cipsr’ dependencies, rJava, XLConnect, and XLConnectJars are no longer needed. Unable to compile CIPSANON SWO variant due to raster files. From now, CIPSR will not be updated to the public domain. The new version of CIPSR will only be released through the CIPS website (http://cips.forestry.oregonstate.edu/). | 6/10/2018 | S. Joo |
| 2.2.4 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Added warning message to the ‘process’ function. Updated ‘cipsr’ dependencies to support R version 3.2 | 8/18/2015 | N. Osborne |
| 2.2.3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fixed typos in the ‘process’ function Error check in the ‘grow’ function | 6/2/2015 | N. Osborne |
| 2.2.2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Added a database with pole specifications for merchandising values. Included equations for taper of many species and exclude analysis of hardwood trees. | 1/17/2015 | N. Osborne |
| 2.2.1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minor edit to the plotting color scheme. General debugging. | 1/6/2015 | N. Osborne |
| 2.2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fixed unexpected stop by user inputs and outputs. Fixed for big output data. Renamed vignette to “introduction” (user’s instructions). | 1/2/2015 | N. Osborne |

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| 2.1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compiled DLL files for both 32- and 64 bit. • Updated 'cipsr' dependencies, raster, rgdal, rJava, sp, and XLConnect. • Notification to users to install Java for importing input data as a format of .xls into R. | 11/29/2014 | N. Osborne |
| 2.0 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ready to use 'cipsr' as a package in R. • Linked DLL files and spatial files with the R source code. | 10/11/2014 | N. Osborne |
| 1.0 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed R source code. | 10/10/2014 | N. Osborne |

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