

How to compile MODFLOW 6 on Slackware

MODFLOW 6 is parallelized using [the Message Passing Interface \(MPI\)](#) and [the Portable, Extensible Toolkit for Scientific Computation \(PETSc\)](#). This HOWTO explains how to compile these dependencies and MODFLOW 6 on Slackware.

```
# switch to root
su -

# install openmpi and python3-numpy; petsc requires python3-numpy and
OpenBLAS;
# build queuefiles, not packages, to automatically build any other
dependencies
sbopkg -k -i "openmpi python3-numpy OpenBLAS"

# download and unzip a petsc build script
cd /tmp
wget https://clawiki.isnew.info/_media/howtos/petsc.zip
unzip petsc.zip
cd petsc

# build petsc
./petsc.SlackBuild

# install petsc
cd ..
rm -rf petsc
installpkg petsc-*.tgz

# switch to non-root
exit

# clone github repositories
mkdir -p ~/src
cd ~/src
git clone https://github.com/MODFLOW-USGS/modflow6.git
git clone https://github.com/fortran-lang/test-drive.git

# build test-drive
cd test-drive
meson setup builddir --prefix=$PWD --libdir=lib
meson install -C builddir
mkdir -p ~/local/share/pkgconfig
cp -a builddir/meson-private/test-drive.pc ~/local/share/pkgconfig
if ! echo $PKG_CONFIG_PATH | grep -q $HOME/local/share/pkgconfig; then
  echo 'export
PKG_CONFIG_PATH="$HOME/local/share/pkgconfig:$PKG_CONFIG_PATH"' >
~/ .bash_profile
. ~/ .bash_profile
```

Last update:

2026-04-09 12:34 am howtos:how_to_compile_modflow_6_on_slackware https://clawiki.isnew.info/howtos/how_to_compile_modflow_6_on_slackware

```
fi
cd ..

# build modflow6
cd modflow6
meson setup builddir -Ddebug=false -Dparallel=true --prefix=$(pwd) --
libdir=bin
meson install -C builddir
meson test --verbose --no-rebuild -C builddir

# install modflow6
mkdir ~/local/bin
cp -a bin/mf6 ~/local/bin
if ! echo $PATH | grep -q $HOME/local/bin; then
  echo 'export PATH="$HOME/local/bin:$PATH"' > ~/.bash_profile
  . ~/.bash_profile
fi
```

From:

<https://clawiki.isnew.info/> - **CLAWRIM Wiki**

Permanent link:

https://clawiki.isnew.info/howtos/how_to_compile_modflow_6_on_slackware

Last update: **2026-04-09 12:34 am**

