Interactive comment on “SuperflexPy 1.2.0: an open source Python framework for building, testing and improving conceptual hydrological models” by Marco Dal Molin et al.

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Many thanks to the authors for their thoughtful responses to the review comments. I invite a revised submission, and include a few notes on the general high-level responses below. Where I do not include notes, you may assume that I approve of your plan for moving forward. I have read but not commented on your responses to each individual referee.

- **MP2 - Detailed comparison with existing frameworks**: I understand the hesitation with regard to a large comparison that would, I agree, not be the focus of a model description paper. A table of different existing packages and a short discussion, or something like this, should suffice.

- **1.3 MP3 - Degree of details: balance of content between the paper and the documentation**: I agree that referencing the documentation would be helpful to the reader. However, if you expect the code and documentation to evolve over the next 5-10 years, I would caution against detailed cross-referencing (e.g., of sections), unless you are explicit about the links with the version of record. This is in order to match the static paper with the potential evolution of a useful modeling tool.

- **1.5 MP5 - The representation of substance transport**: Agreed, and focus on the capabilities more than the aspirations (though you can include appropriate motivation).