1020-35-107 **Wei Zhu*** (weizhu@math.rice.edu), MS136, Rice University, 6100 Main Street, Houston, TX 77005. An Energy Reducing Flow for Multiple-Valued Functions.

By the method of discrete Morse flows, we construct an energy reducing multiple-valued function flow. The flow we get is Holder continuous with respect to the L-2 norm. We also give another way of constructing flows in some special cases, where the flow we get behaves like ordinary heat flow. (Received August 21, 2006)