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Streamflow Measurements: Ground and Satellite Observations

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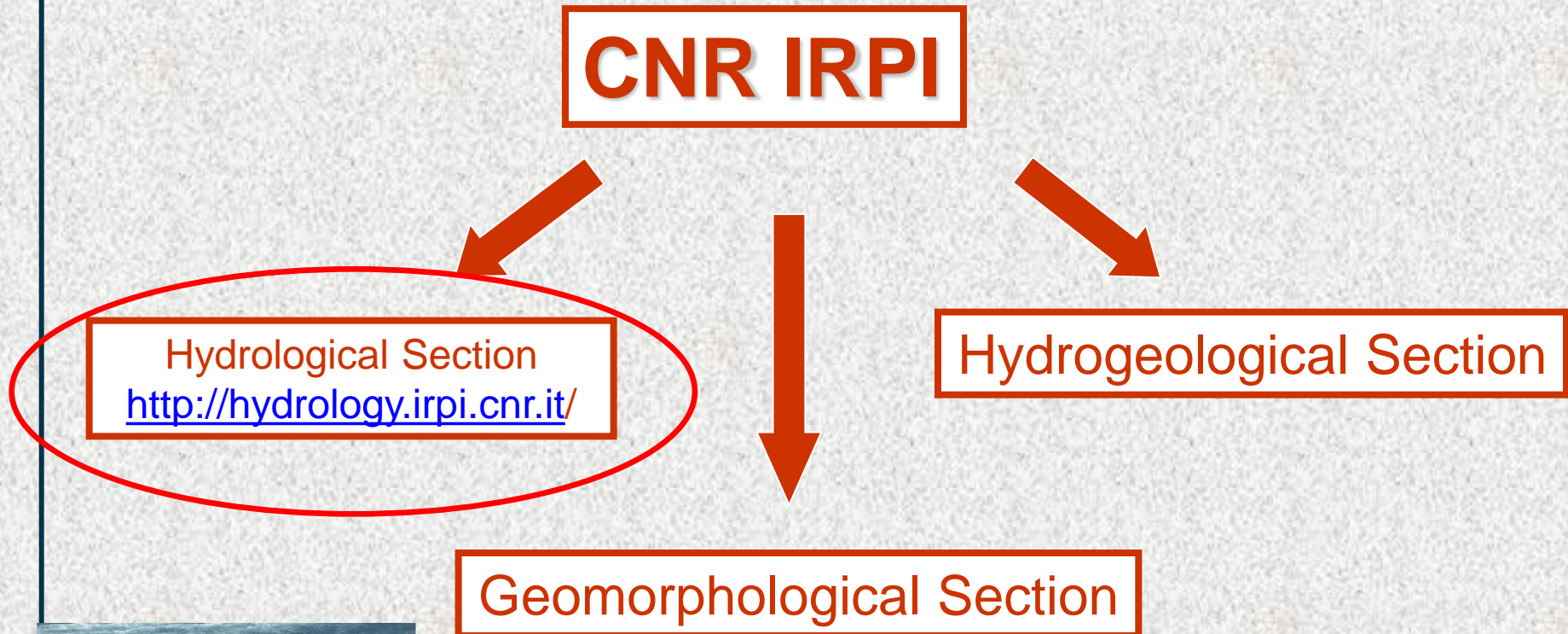
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Overview of IRPI

The “*Research Institute for Geo-Hydrological Protection*” (IRPI), of the Italian “*National Research Council*” (CNR), has a consolidated experience on geo-hydrological hazards assessment (landslides and floods), at various scales and in different physiographical and geographical environments.



Overview of IRPI

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A network of labs and scientific and technological expertise distributed throughout the country.

The headquarters are in **Perugia**, and other branches are in **Bari**, **Rende (CS)**, **Padova** and **Torino**. The geographical distribution facilitates the study of geo-hydrological phenomena where these take place, or where they are more frequent or abundant, and the collaboration with public bodies and others interested in the research activities and in the products & services offered by the Institute.

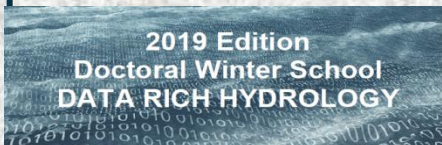


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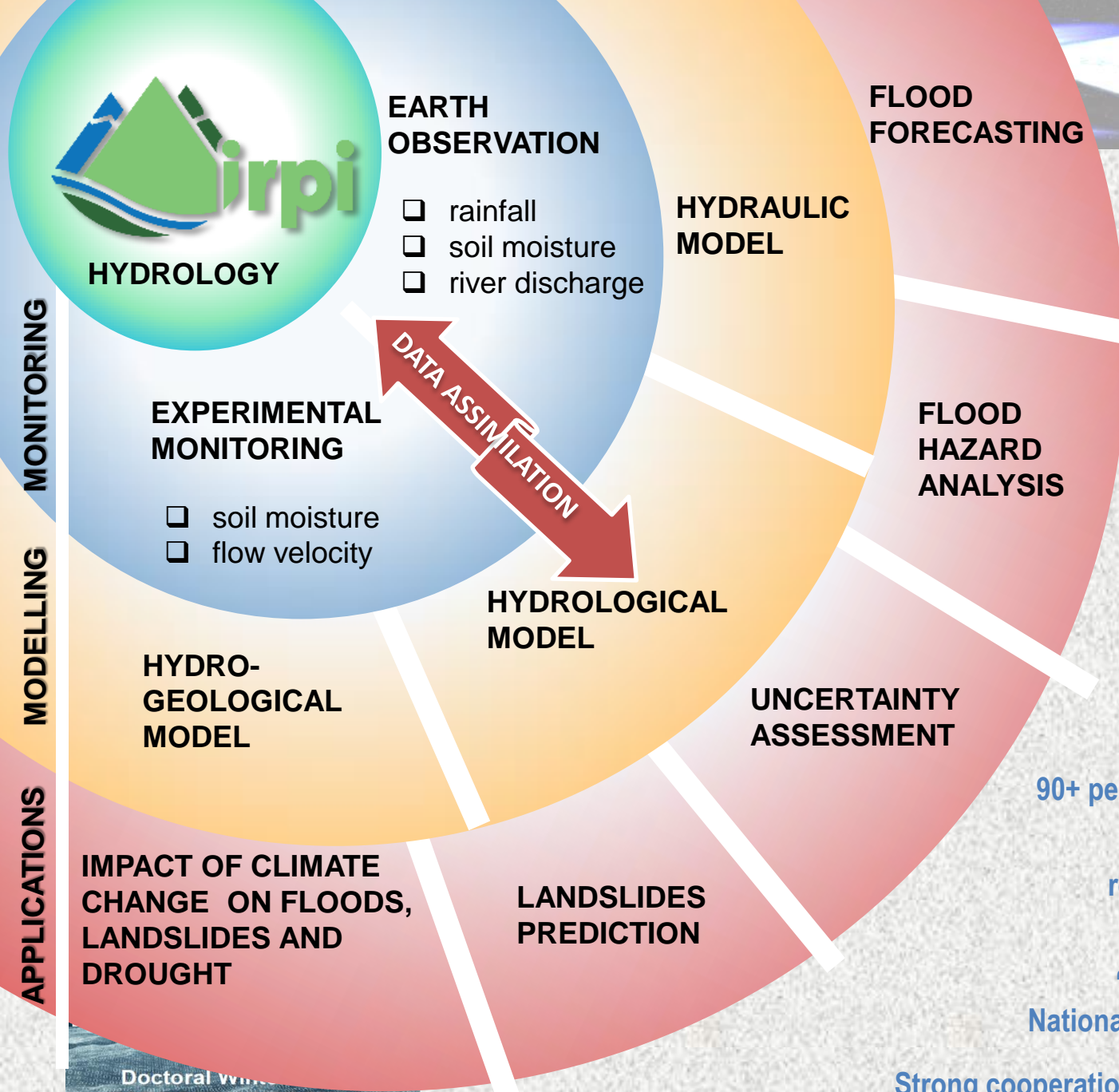
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Who we are



The "Hydrology Group" of "Istituto di Ricerca per la Protezione Idrogeologia" of the "Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche" (CNR-IRPI), has an internationally recognized excellence on the exploitation of remote sensing and ground observations for improving our understanding of hydrological processes as well as advancing hydrological/hydraulic modelling for the mitigation of natural hazards such as floods, landslides and drought.

High level scientific production:
90+ peer-reviewed papers \ last 5 years

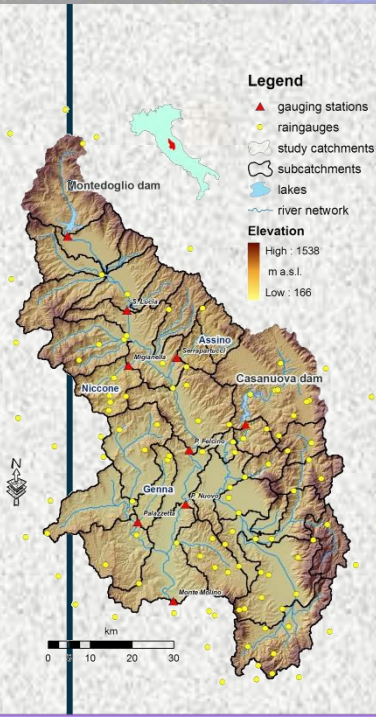
Involvement in research projects in the frame of Italian and European programs

"Excellent Centre" by the Italian National Department of Civil Protection

Strong cooperation with national and international research institutes worldwide



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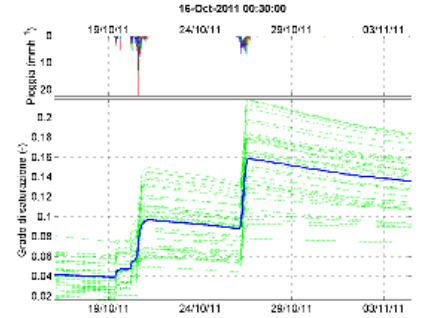
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MISDc è un sistema modellistico (sviluppato dal CNR-IRPI di Perugia – Reparto di Idrologia) costituito da un modello di bilancio idrologico del suolo per la simulazione in continuo dell'evoluzione temporale del contenuto d'acqua accoppiato con un modello idrologico semidistribuito (MISD) per la simulazione afflussi-deflussi a scala di evento.

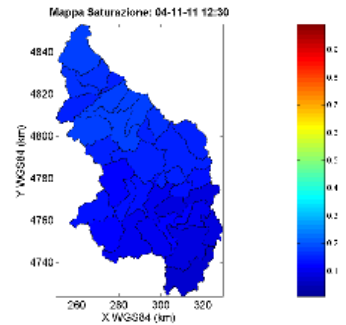
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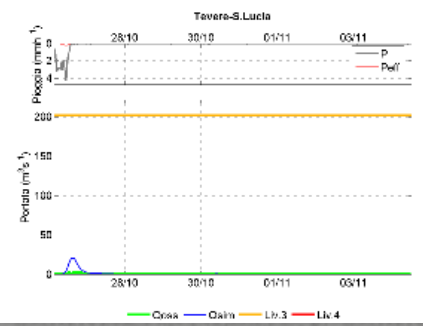
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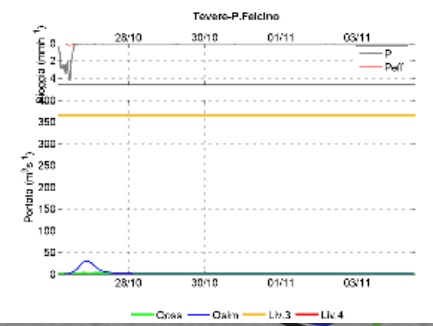
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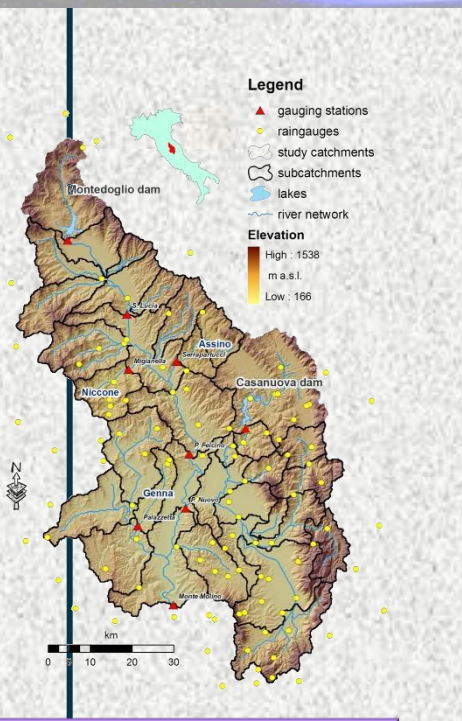


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Il modello semplificato per la previsione in tempo reale dei livelli idrometrici STAFOM (STAGE FORECASTING Model) è un modello idrologico di trasferimento dell'onda di piena (basato sul noto metodo Muskingum) che, a partire dai dati relativi ai livelli idrometrici registrati in tempo reale per alcune sezioni dei principali corsi d'acqua del bacino idrografico del fiume, fornisce la previsione dei livelli in sezioni poste più a valle. Lo sviluppo e la validazione del modello è a cura del Gruppo di Idrologia del Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche, Istituto di Ricerca per la Protezione Idrogeologica (CNR-IRPI).

- **Descrizione Modello**

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Selezionare un bacino:

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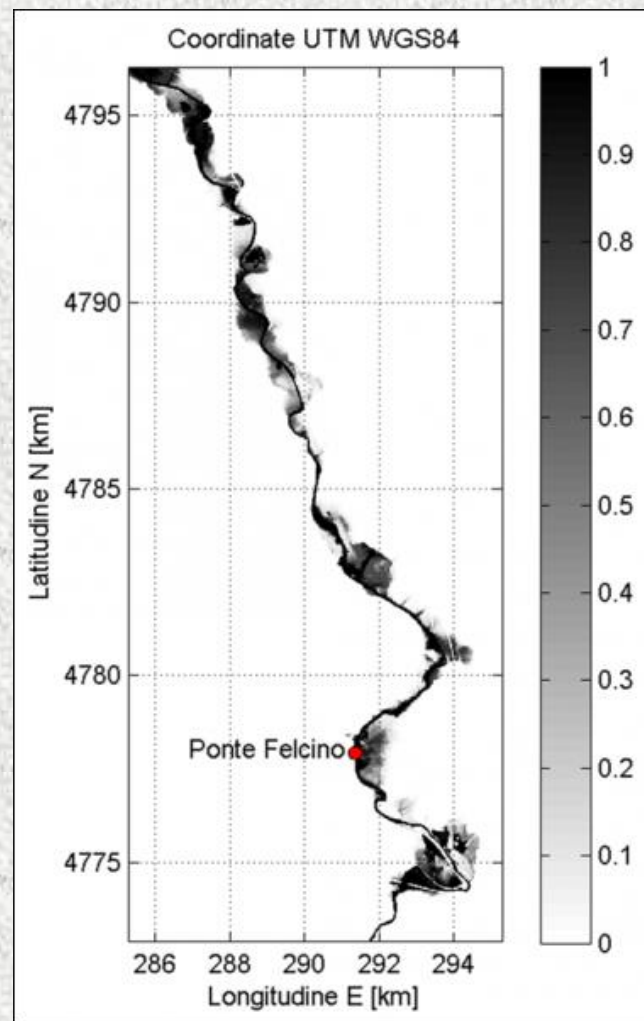
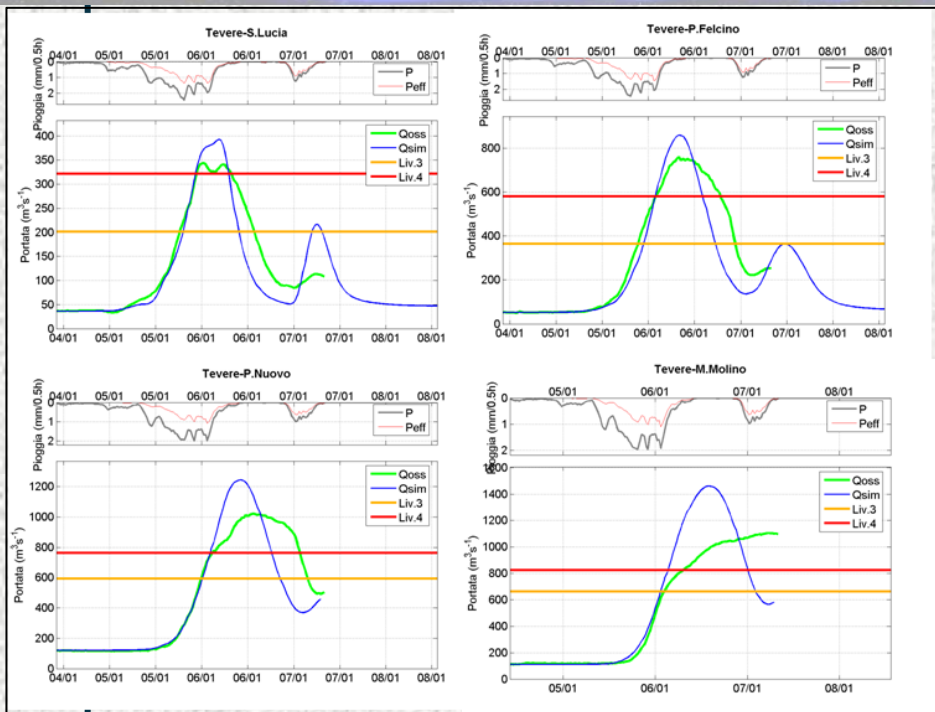
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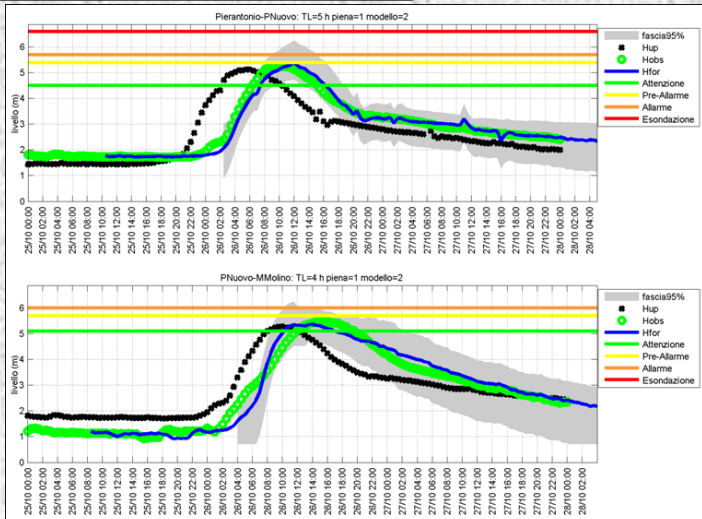
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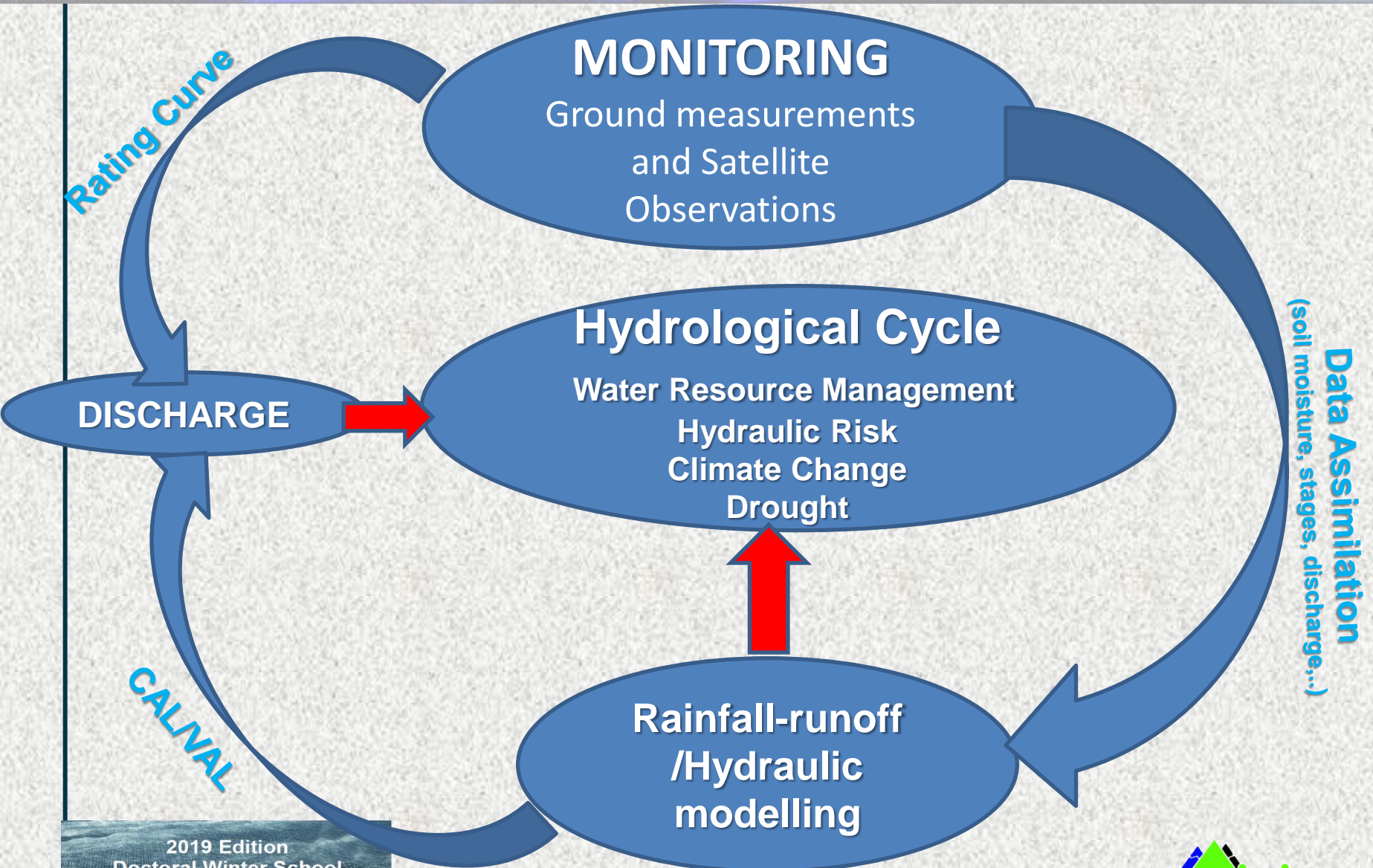


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DISCHARGE: key variable of hydrological cycle



Streamflow measurements

Water level

Flow Velocity



Discharge assessment – Rating curves

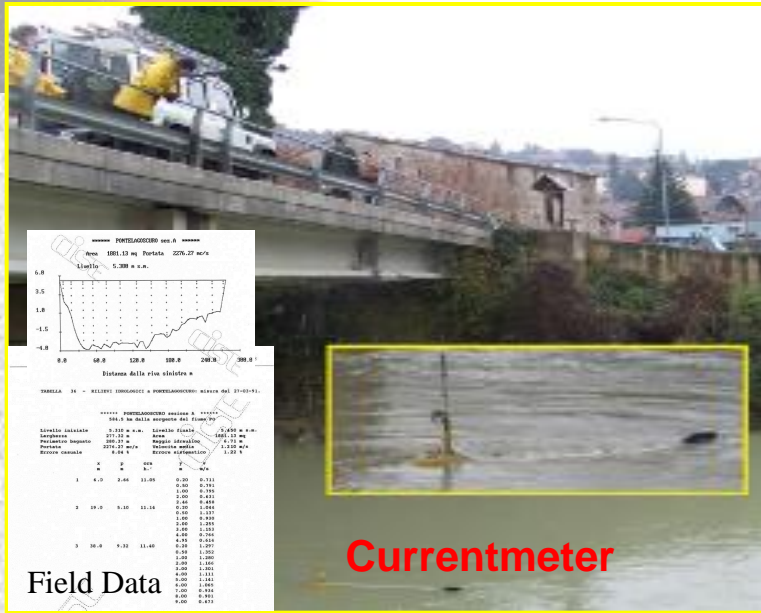
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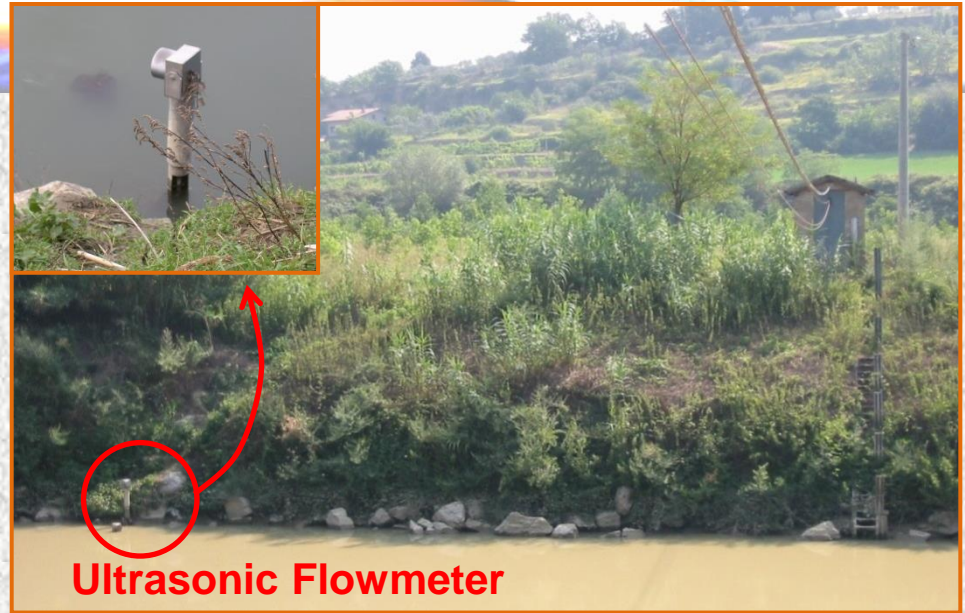
2) Flow monitoring

by no-contact sensor (remote)

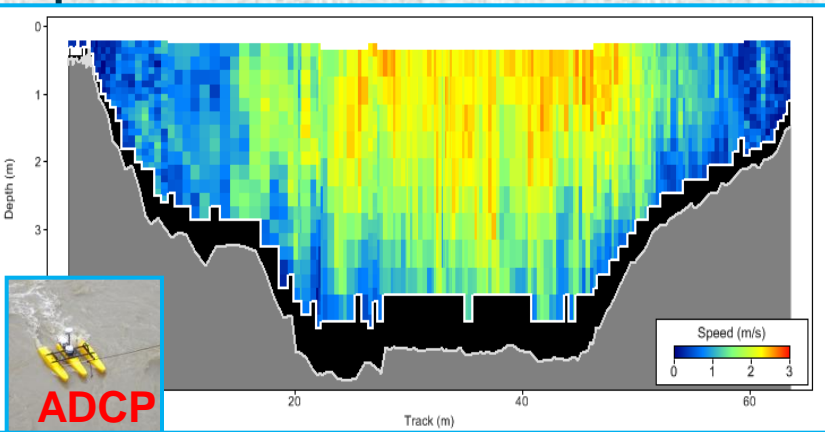
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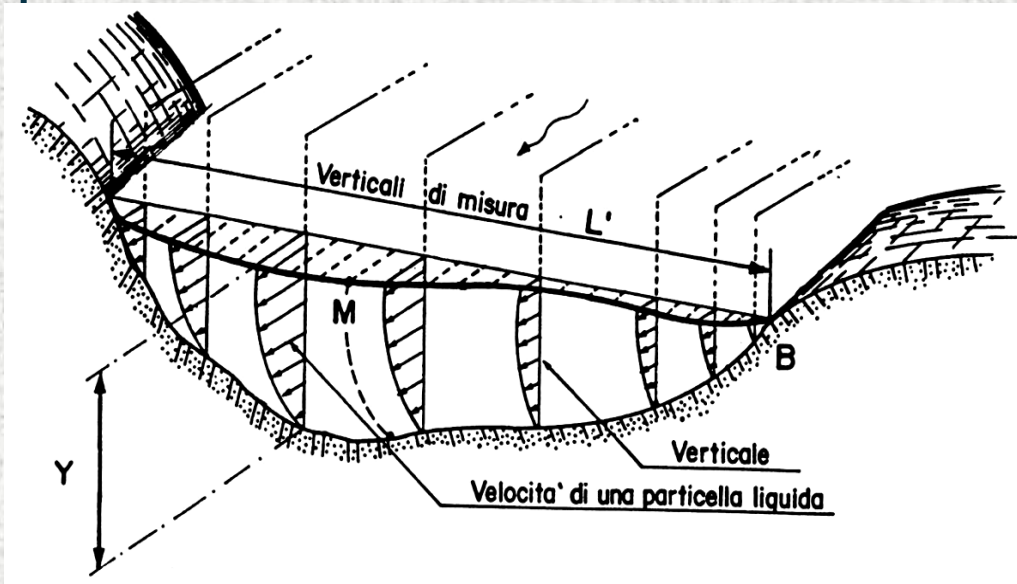
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Flow Velocity measurements

Velocity-Area Method



Considering a section of river normal to the flow direction.

The discharge is given by:

$$Q = \int \int_{x y} v(x, y) dx dy$$

where v is the velocity of the flow normal to the section. In the equation it is necessary to know the velocity in each point of the section.

Estimate of Discharge

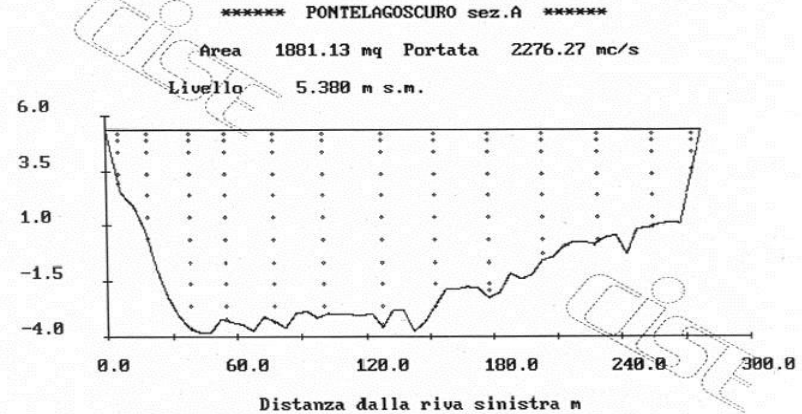


TABELLA 36 - RILIEVI IDROLOGICI a PONTELAGOSCURO: misura del 27-03-91.

***** PONTELAGOSCURO sezione A *****
 584.5 km dalla sorgente del fiume PO

Livello iniziale	5.310 m s.m.	Livello finale	5.450 m s.m.
Larghezza	277.32 m	Area	1881.13 mq
Perimetro bagnato	280.37 m	Raggio idraulico	6.71 m
Portata	2276.27 mc/s	Velocità media	1.210 m/s
Errore casuale	8.04 %	Errore sistematico	1.22 %

	x m	p m	ora h.'	y m	v m/s
1	6.0	2.66	11.05	0.20	0.711
				0.50	0.791
				1.00	0.795
				2.00	0.631
				2.46	0.458
2	19.0	5.10	11.14	0.20	1.044
				0.50	1.137
				1.00	0.930
				2.00	1.255
				3.00	1.153
3	38.0	9.32	11.40	4.00	0.766
				4.95	0.614
				0.20	1.297
				0.50	1.352
				1.00	1.280
				2.00	1.166
				3.00	1.301
				4.00	1.111
				5.00	1.141
				6.00	1.065
				7.00	0.934
				8.00	0.901
				9.00	0.673

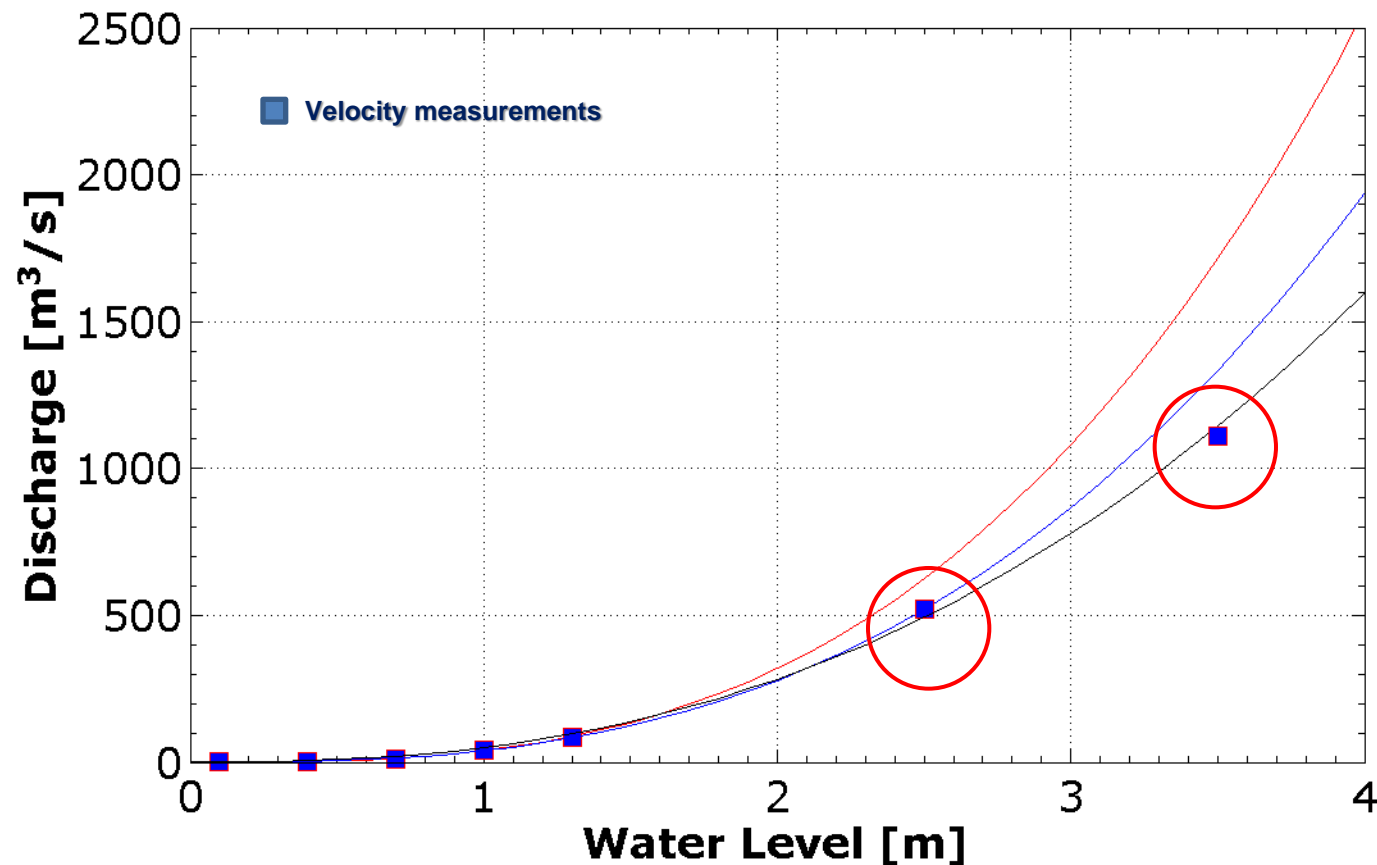
Scheda dati misure

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■ Velocity measurements

Flood November 2005: Tiber River – Ponte San Giovanni

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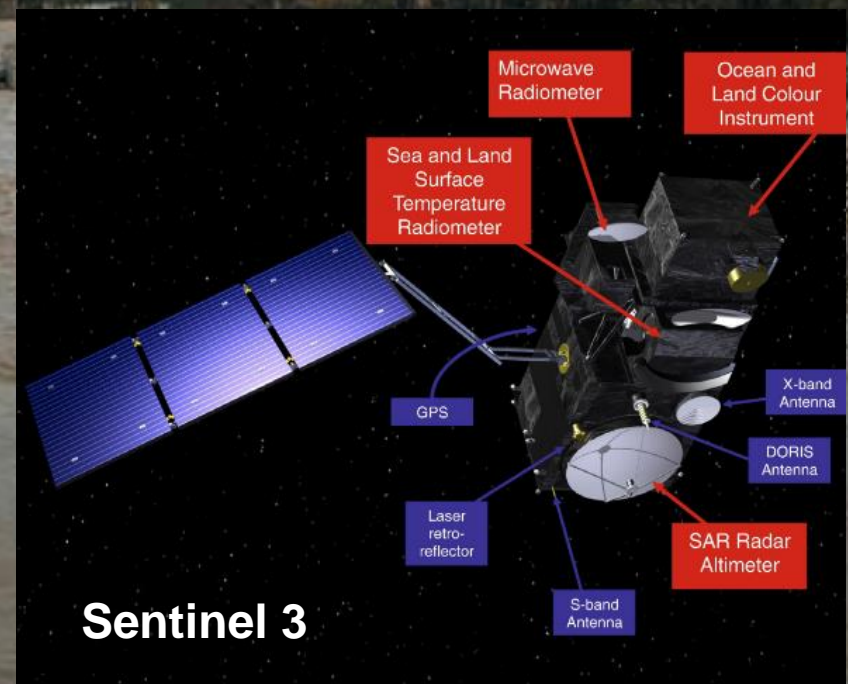
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No Bridges – No Sensors

Need to exploit new technology for ground and satellite observations



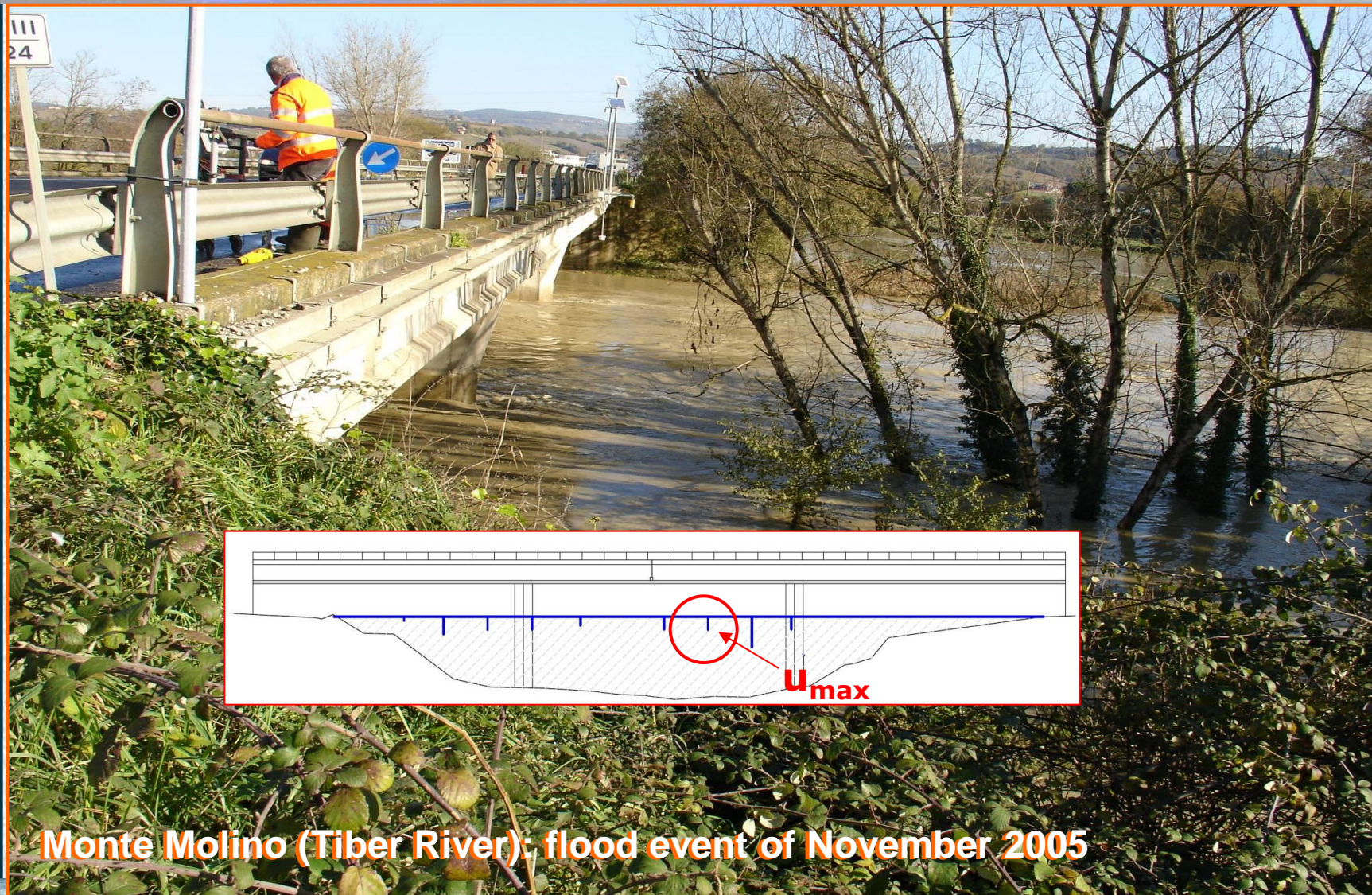
Drone - UAV



Sentinel 3

Flood November 2005: Tiber River – Ponte San Giovanni

Velocity measurements for high flow

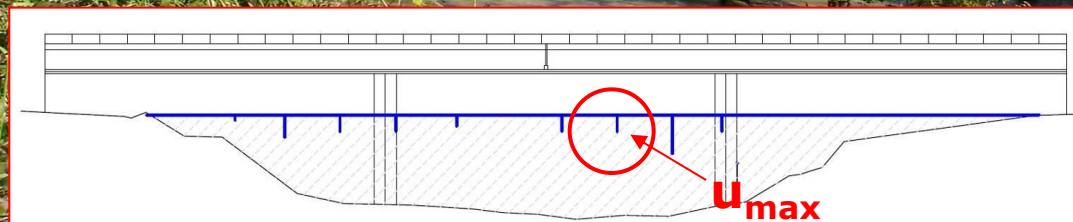


Monte Molino (Tiber River): flood event of November 2005

Velocity measurements for high flow

The Entropy Theory

Simulating the two-dimensional velocity distribution based on the maximum surface velocity sampling



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Entropy Theory

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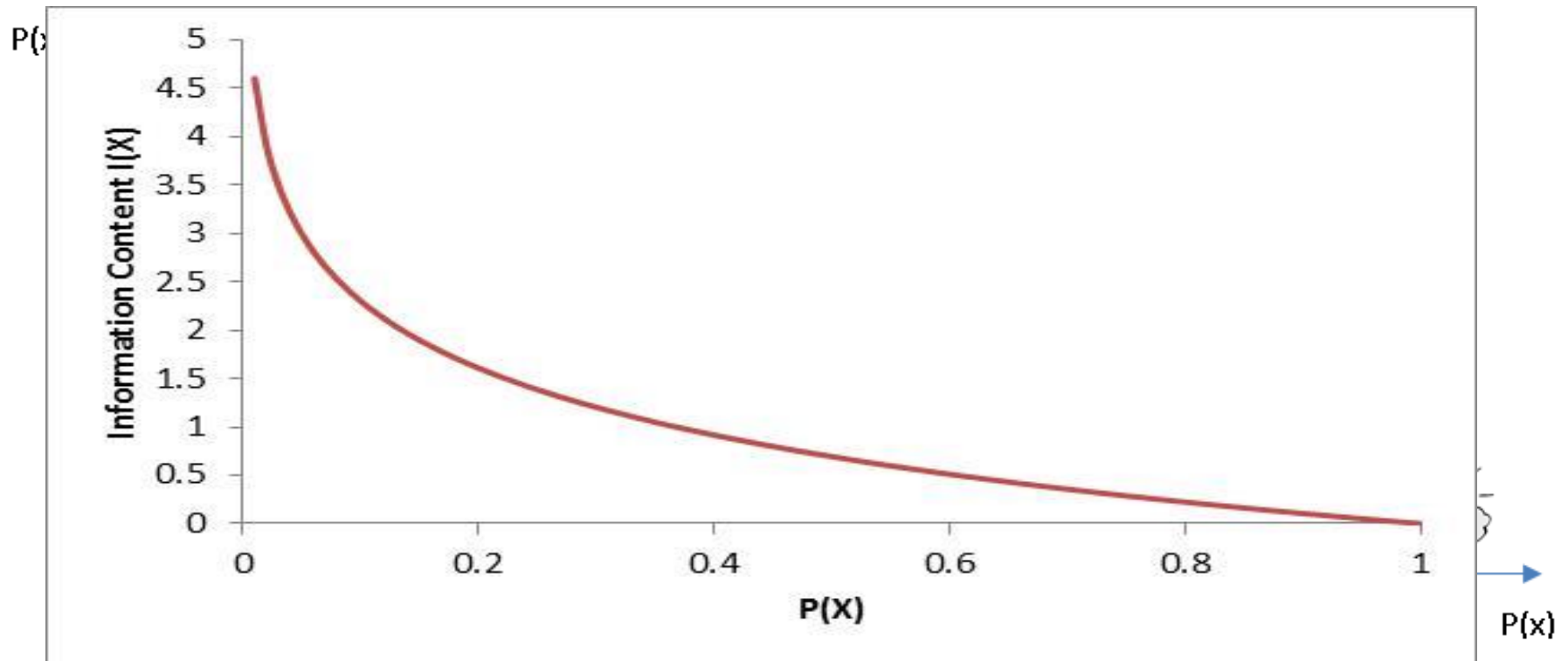
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- In a **physical system with** certain **assigned constraints**, the **ENTROPY ($H(X)$)** tends to a **maximum value** as random **events tend to occur in the greatest possible disorder**
- The connection between Entropy and Probability is the **Theory of Information**: the **information content $I(X)$** associated to a state X_j is represented by the quantity:

$$I(X) = - \ln P(X_j)$$

- $I(X)$ function provides the following two insights:
 1. the **quantity of information if the event $X=X_j$ occurs;**
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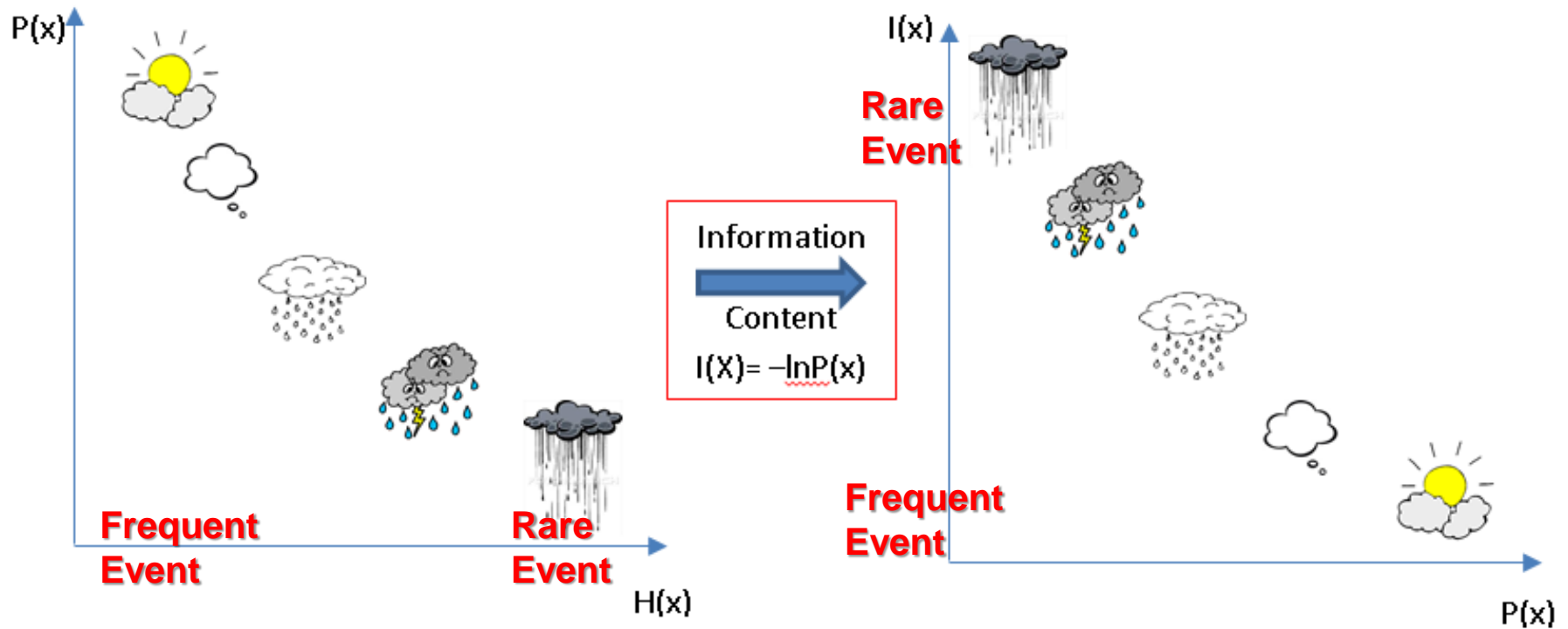
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Entropy Theory



Standard floods furnish a low information; on the contrary high floods with low probability to occur provide a high quantitative of information

Entropy is statistically defined through the mean of Information Content $I(X)$ for a discrete system in the form (Janes 1957) :

$$H(X) = \sum_j P(X_j) I(X_j) = - \sum_j P(X_j) \ln P(X_j)$$

If $X=X_j$ is a **rare event** its probability $P(X)$ tends to 0, hence, **$H(X)$ tends to ∞** ; while if $X=X_j$ is a **certain event** its **entropy goes to zero**.

- The probability distribution that maximizes the entropy of the system is the distribution that produces greater information, i.e. it is more close to the real $P(X)$

Entropy Theory

Therefore, **Entropy is used for statistical inference** to solve for a **probability distribution function** when **the information available about the variable is limited to some average quantities**, defined as **constraints**, such as **mean, and variance**

$$G_i = \int_a^b \psi_i(X, p) dX \quad i = 1, 2 \dots n$$

$$\int_0^{u_{\max}} p(u) du = 1$$

$$\int_0^{u_{\max}} u p(u) du = \bar{u}$$

$$\Psi_1(X, p) = p(u)$$

$$\Psi_2(X, p) = u p(u)$$

where $\psi_i(X, p)$ are the specified functions, **the probability density function $p(X)$ which maximizes entropy can be obtained by (Chiu, 1988)**

$$\frac{\partial I(X, p)}{\partial p} + \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \frac{\partial \psi_i(X, p)}{\partial p} = 0$$

λ_i are the Lagrange multipliers

2D Entropic Velocity Distribution

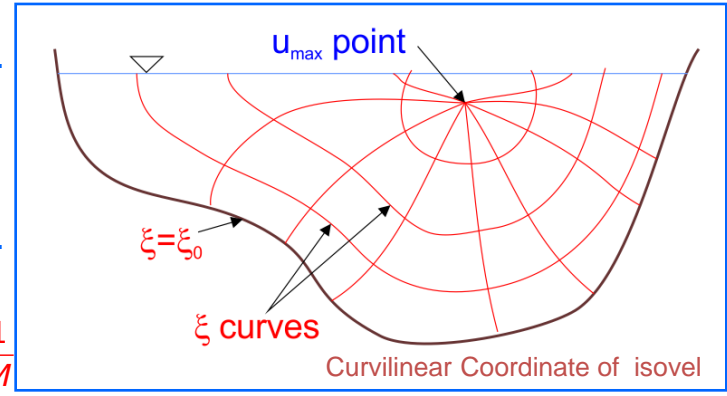
The 2D velocity distribution can be simulated by using the entropic model

Pioneer was Chiu (1988):

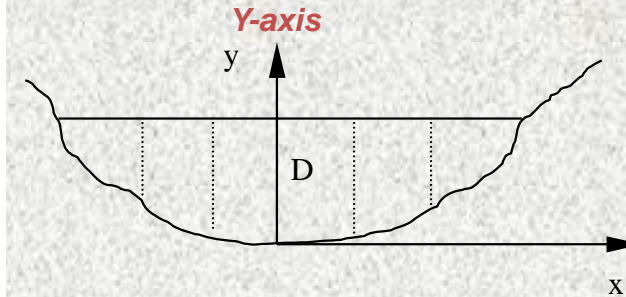
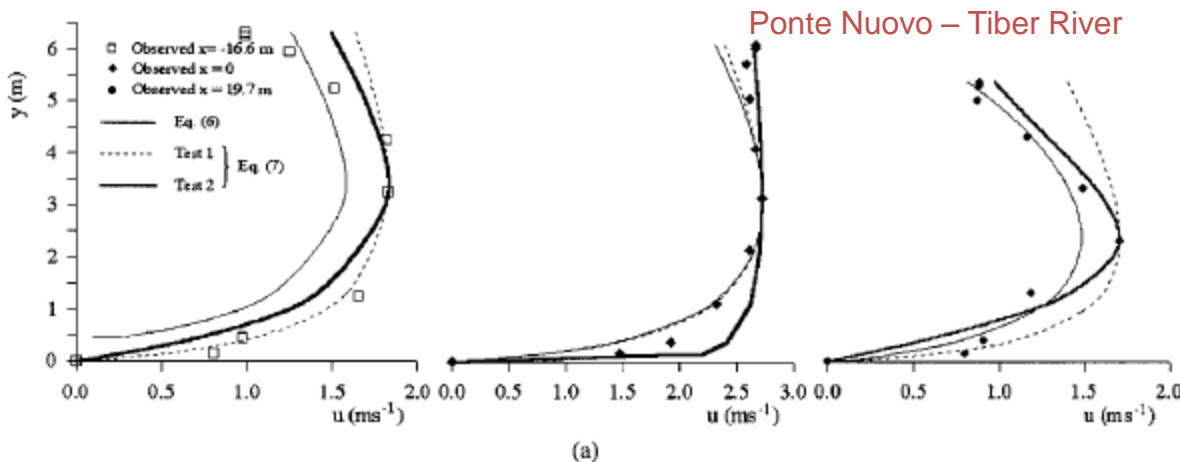
$$u(\xi) = \frac{u_{\max}}{M} \ln \left[1 + (e^M - 1) \frac{\xi - \xi_0}{\xi_{\max} - \xi_0} \right]$$

$\frac{\xi - \xi_0}{\xi_{\max} - \xi_0}$ Cumulative Probability Distribution

$$\frac{u_m}{u_{\max}} = \Phi(M) = \frac{e^M}{e^M - 1} - \frac{1}{M}$$



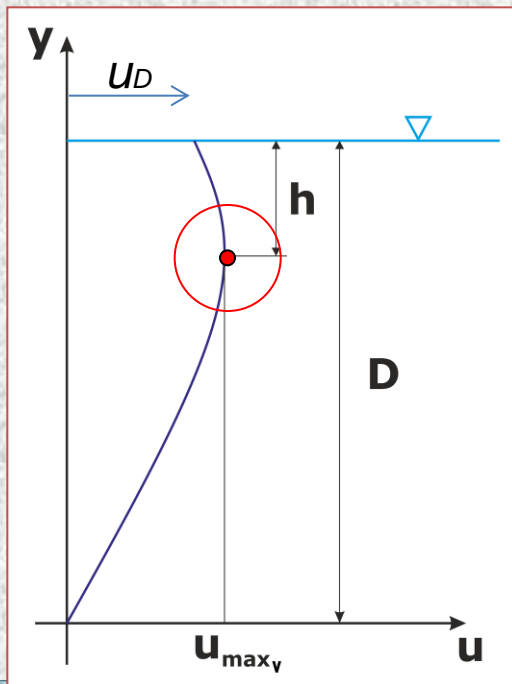
Too many parameters are involved in the 2D velocity and the performance are poor close to the side walls (Moramarco et al. 2004)



Alternative of Chiu's model

Velocity profile:

$$u(x, y) = \frac{u_{\max}(x)}{M} \ln \left[1 + (e^M - 1) \frac{y}{D(x) - h(x)} \exp \left(1 - \frac{y}{D(x) - h(x)} \right) \right]$$



u_D is sampled

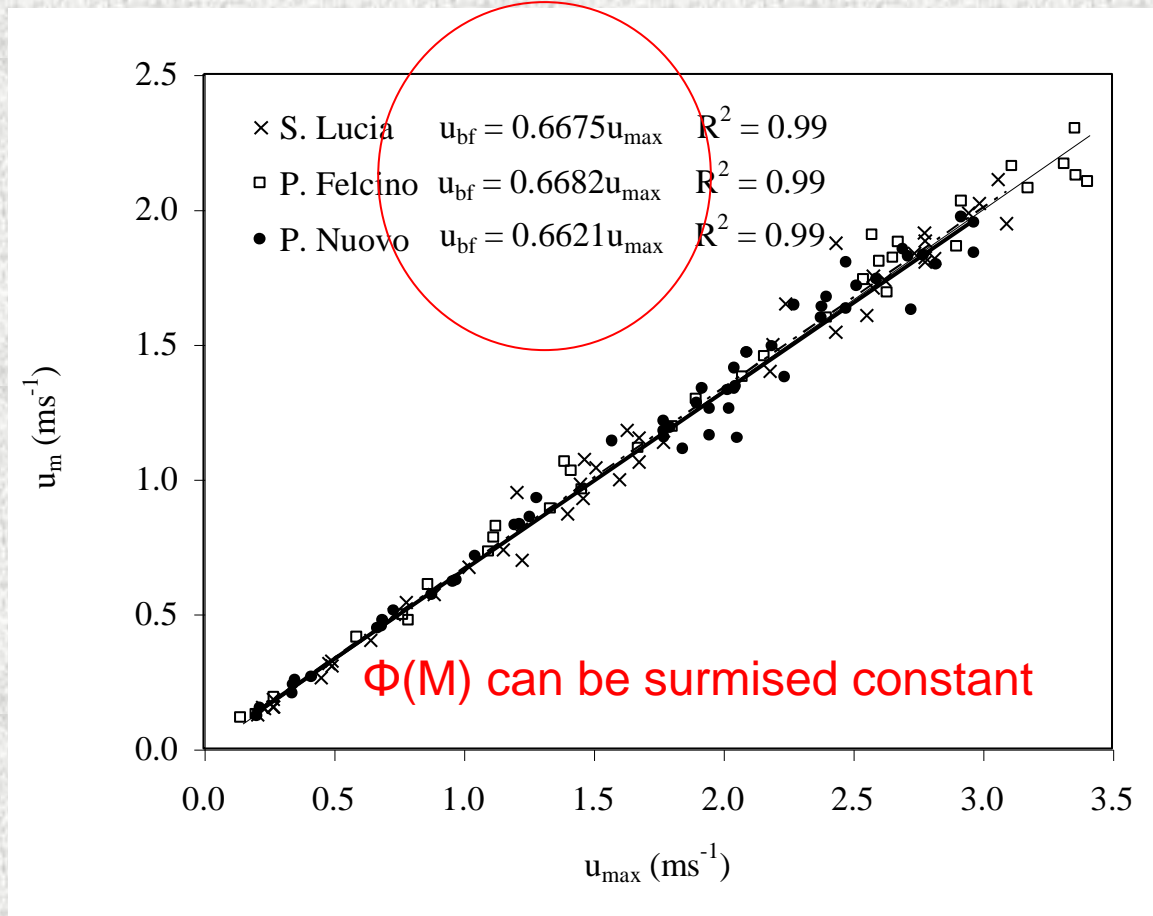
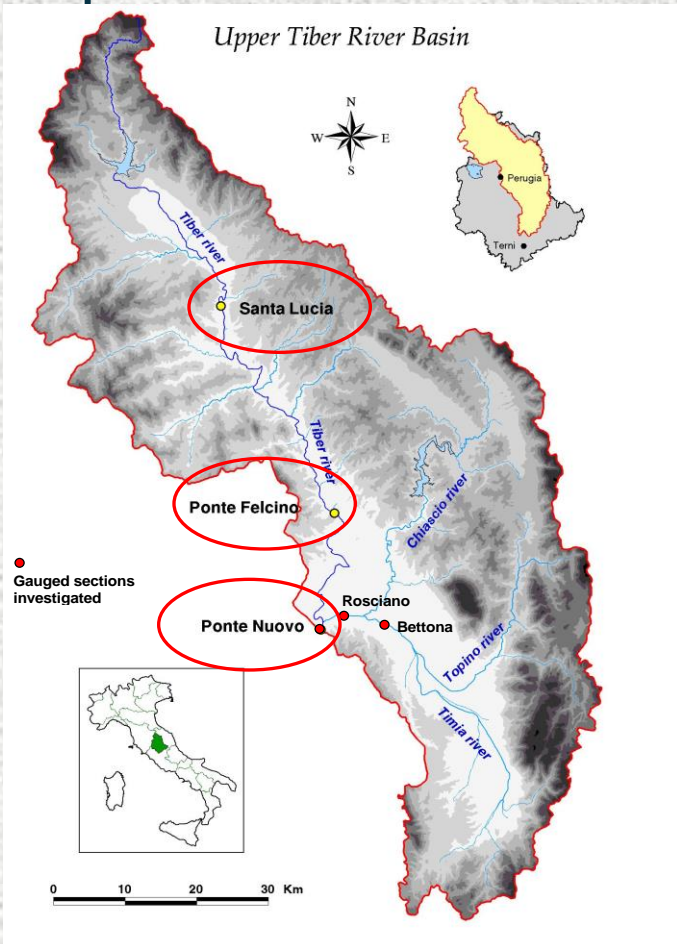
$$u_{\max} = (u_D M) \div \ln \left[1 + (e^M - 1) \frac{1}{1 - \frac{h}{D}} \exp \left(1 - \frac{1}{1 - \frac{h}{D}} \right) \right]$$

The entropic parameter M :

- is characteristic of the section
- is estimated through the historical sampled pairs (u_m, u_{\max}) by using the linear entropic relation:

$$u_m = \Phi(M) u_{\max}$$

Accuracy entropic linear relationship

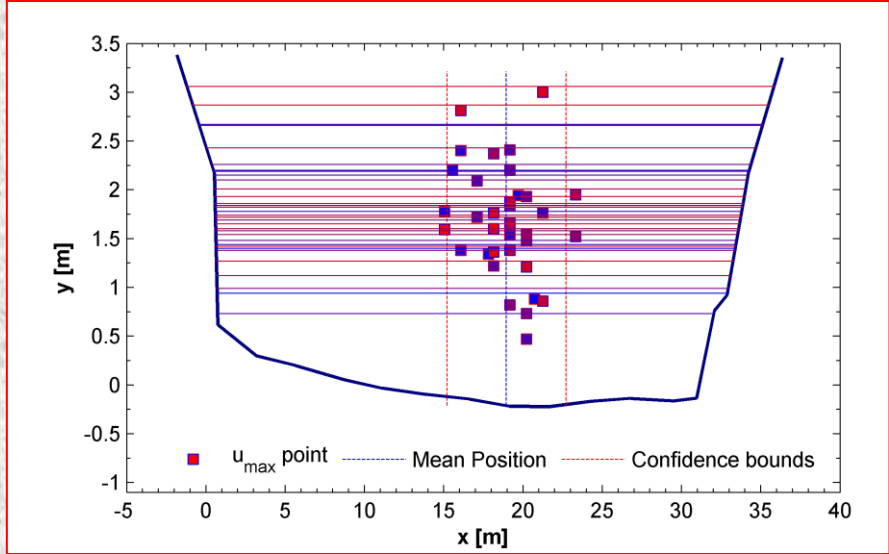
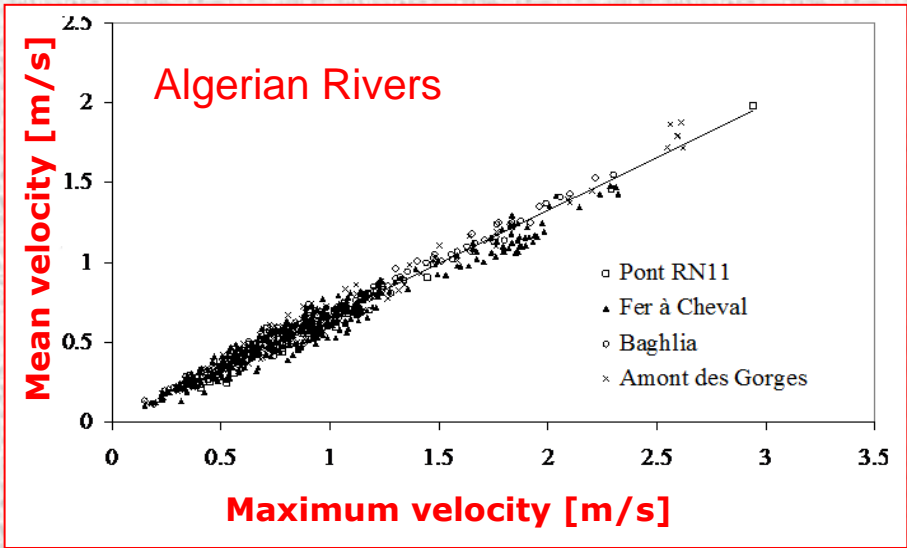


Relation between mean and maximum velocities in the three gauged river sections investigated

Entropic linear relationship

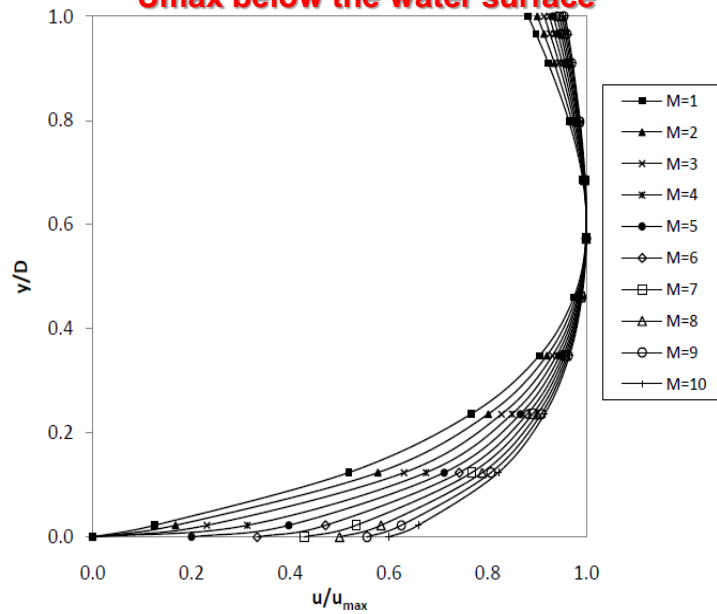
$$\frac{U_m}{U_{\max}} = \Phi(M) = \frac{e^M}{e^M - 1} - \frac{1}{M}$$

U_{max} occurs in the same portion of flow area

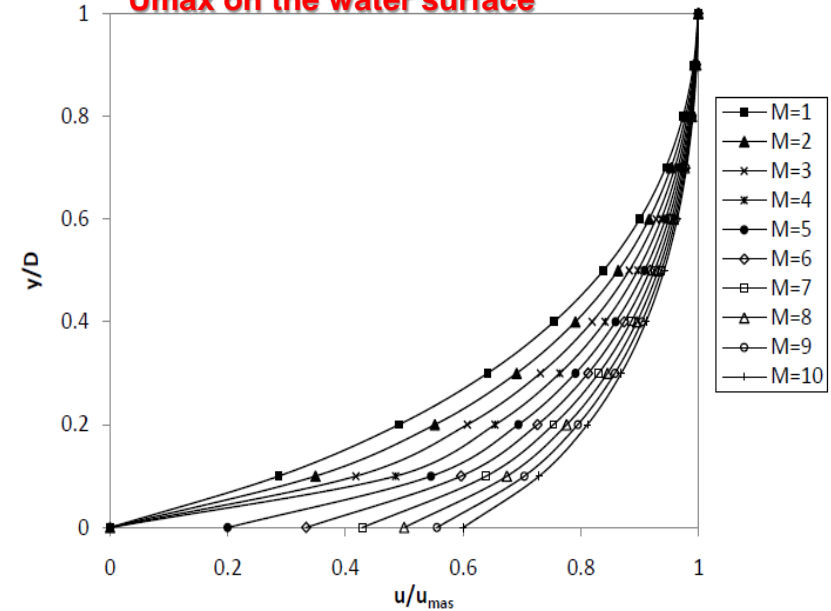


Physical Meaning of M

Umax below the water surface



Umax on the water surface



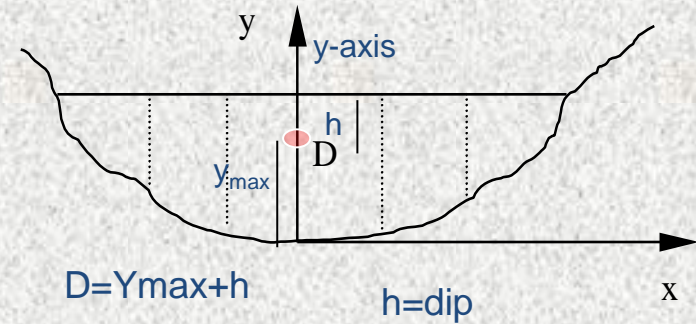
This aspect suggests that parameter M can be considered an indicator of the boundary effects on the velocity distribution.

The more low M value, the more warped the profile: high effects of banks

Geometric and hydraulic characteristics

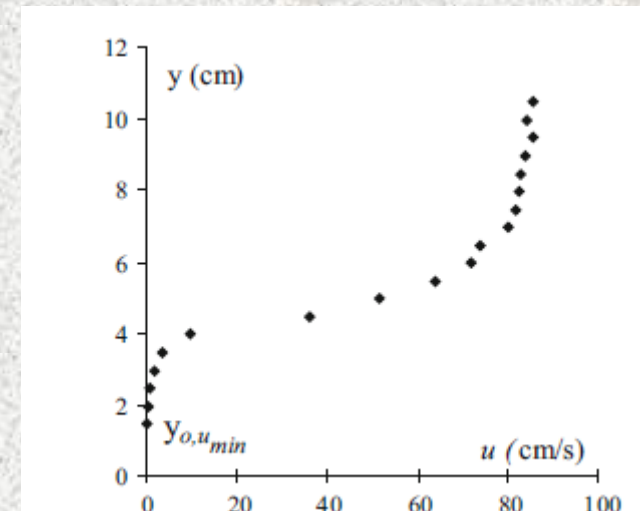
Ungauged river site

$$\Phi(M) = \frac{\frac{1}{n} R^{1/6} / \sqrt{g}}{\frac{1}{k} \left[\ln \left(\frac{y_{\max}}{y_o} \right) + \frac{h}{y_{\max}} \ln \left(\frac{h}{D} \right) \right]}$$



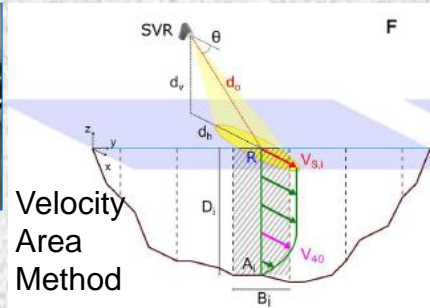
For larger rivers

$$\Phi(M) = \frac{\frac{1}{n} R^{1/6} / \sqrt{g}}{\frac{1}{k} \left[\ln \left(\frac{y_{\max}}{y_o} \right) \right]}$$



$\Phi(M)$ doesn't depend on dynamic of flood

TURNING SURFACE VELOCITY INTO DEPTH-AVERAGED VELOCITY

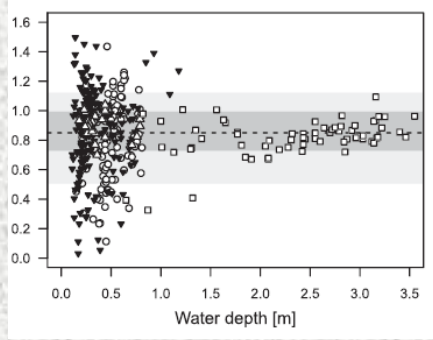


Entropy Method

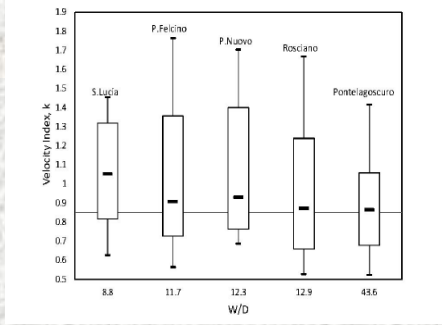
Velocity Index Method

$$\frac{u_{m_{vert}}(x_i)}{u_{surf}(x_i)} = Vel_{ind} = 0.85$$

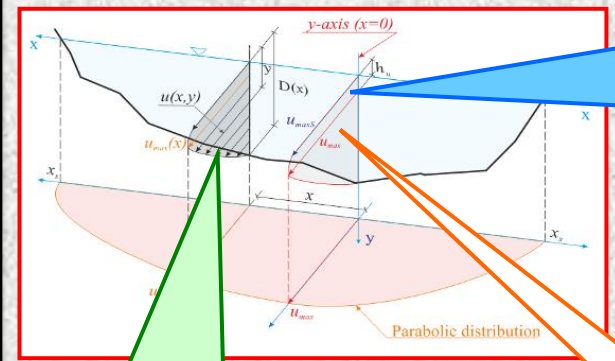
(Creutin, et al. JoH, 2003)



(Welber, et al. WRR, 2016)



(Moramarco, et al. Water, 2017)



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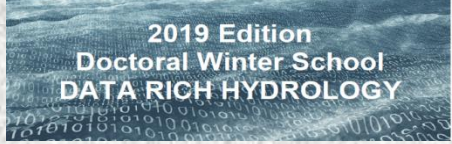
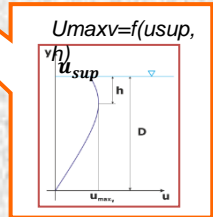
$$u = \frac{u_{max}}{M} \ln \left[1 + (e^M - 1) \frac{D-y}{D-h} \exp \left(1 - \frac{D-y}{D-h} \right) \right]$$

(Moramarco et al., JHydrolE, 2004)

$$u_{maxv}(x_i) = \frac{u_{sup}(x_i, D(x_i))}{\frac{1}{M} \ln \left[1 + (e^M - 1) \delta(x_i) e^{1-\delta(x_i)} \right]}$$



Surface Velocity Radar





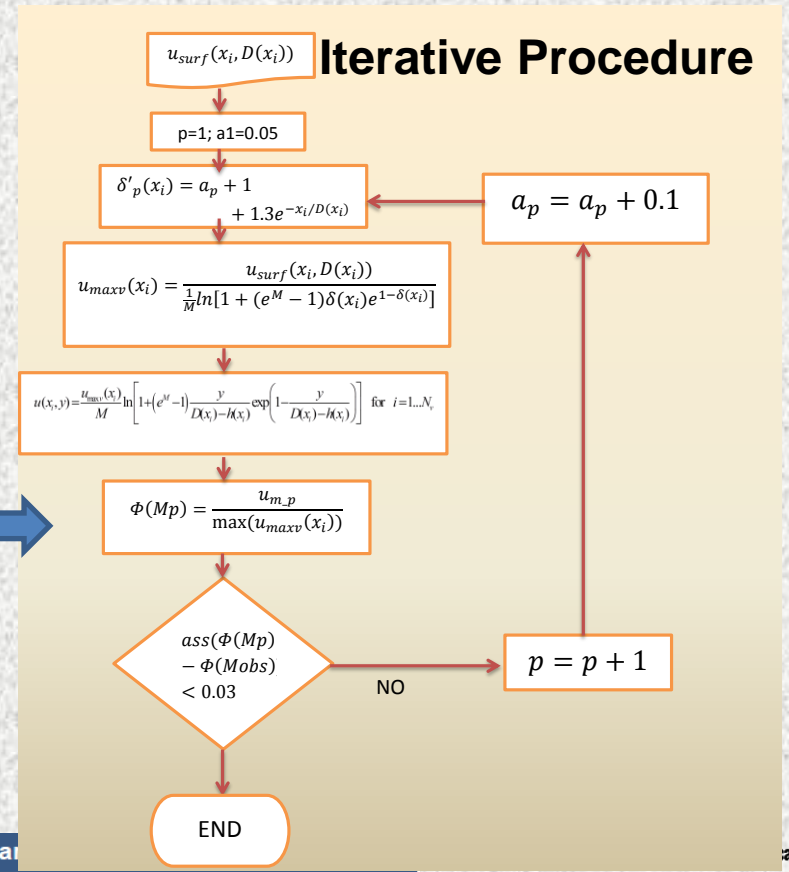
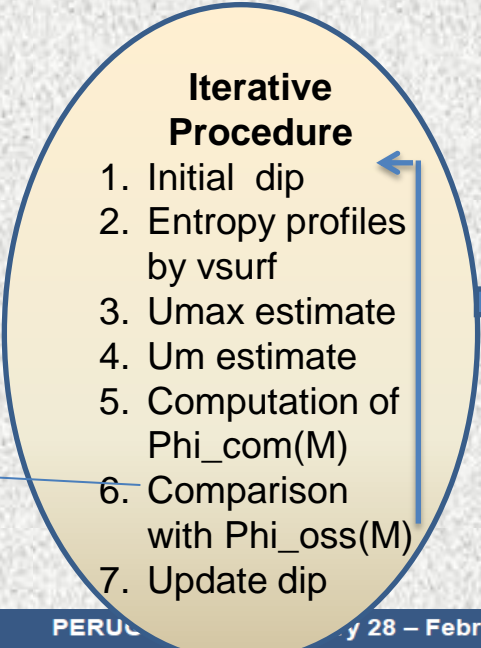
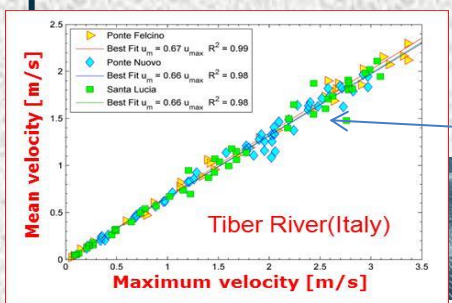
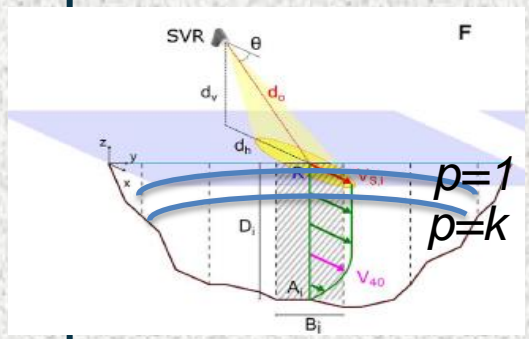
Entropy-based Method to estimate the dip

$$u(x_i, y) = \frac{u_{maxv}(x_i)}{M} \ln \left[1 + (e^M - 1) \frac{y}{D(x_i) - h(x_i)} \exp \left(1 - \frac{y}{D(x_i) - h(x_i)} \right) \right]$$

$$u_{maxv}(x_i) = \frac{u_{surf}(x_i, D(x_i))}{\frac{1}{M} \ln [1 + (e^M - 1) \delta(x_i) e^{1 - \delta(x_i)}]}$$

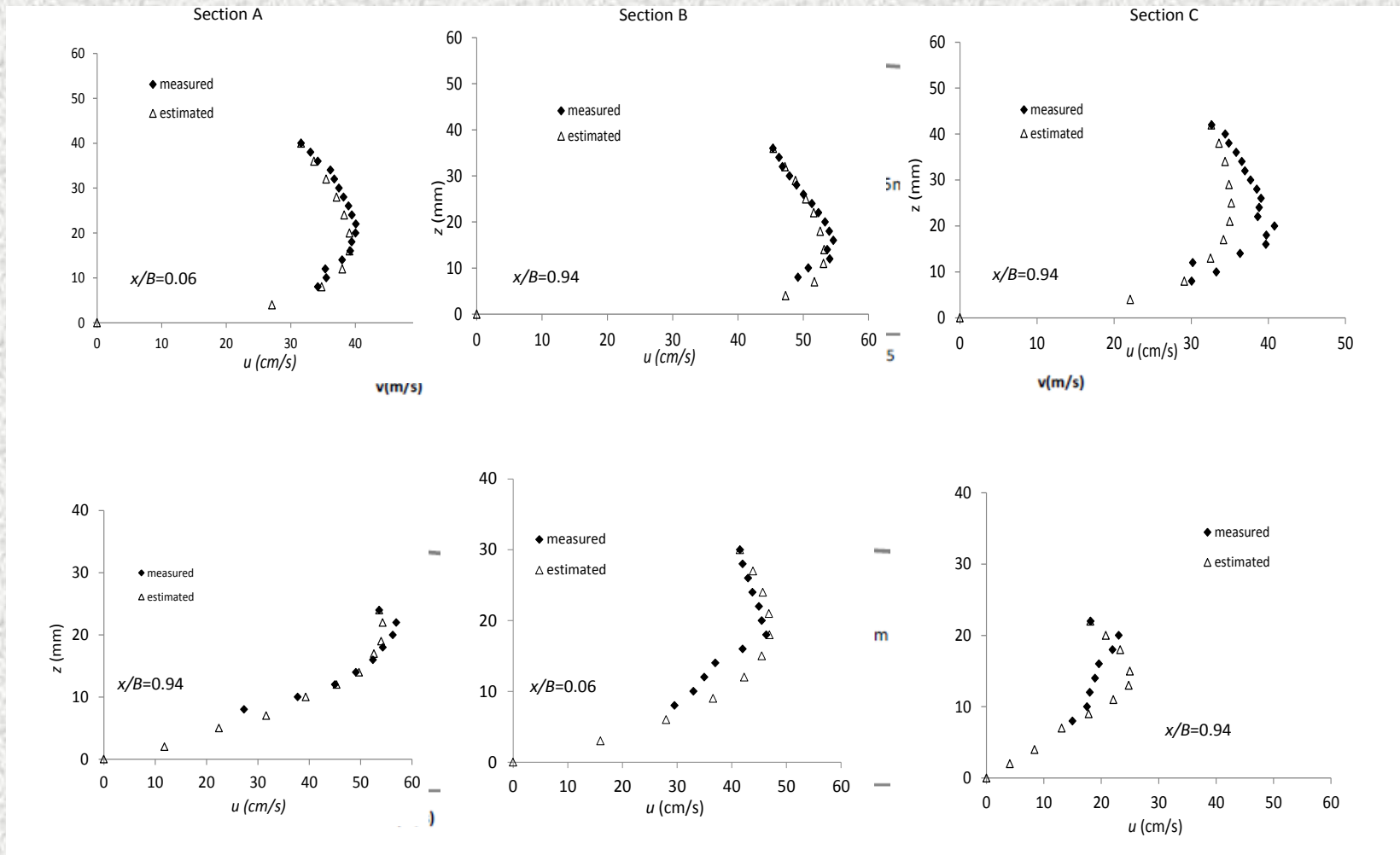
$$dip = \delta(x_i) = 1 + 1.3e^{-x_i/D(x_i)} \quad \text{Yang et al., J HydrE, (2004)}$$

$\delta'_p(x_i) = a_p + \delta(x_i)$ (secondary currents)
 $a_p = \text{dip at } y\text{-axis estimated by iterative procedure } (p)$



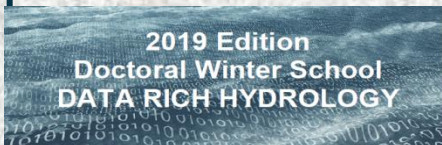
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$$u_{\max} = (u_D M) \div \ln \left[1 + (e^M - 1) \frac{1}{1 - \frac{h}{D}} \exp \left(1 - \frac{1}{1 - \frac{h}{D}} \right) \right]$$



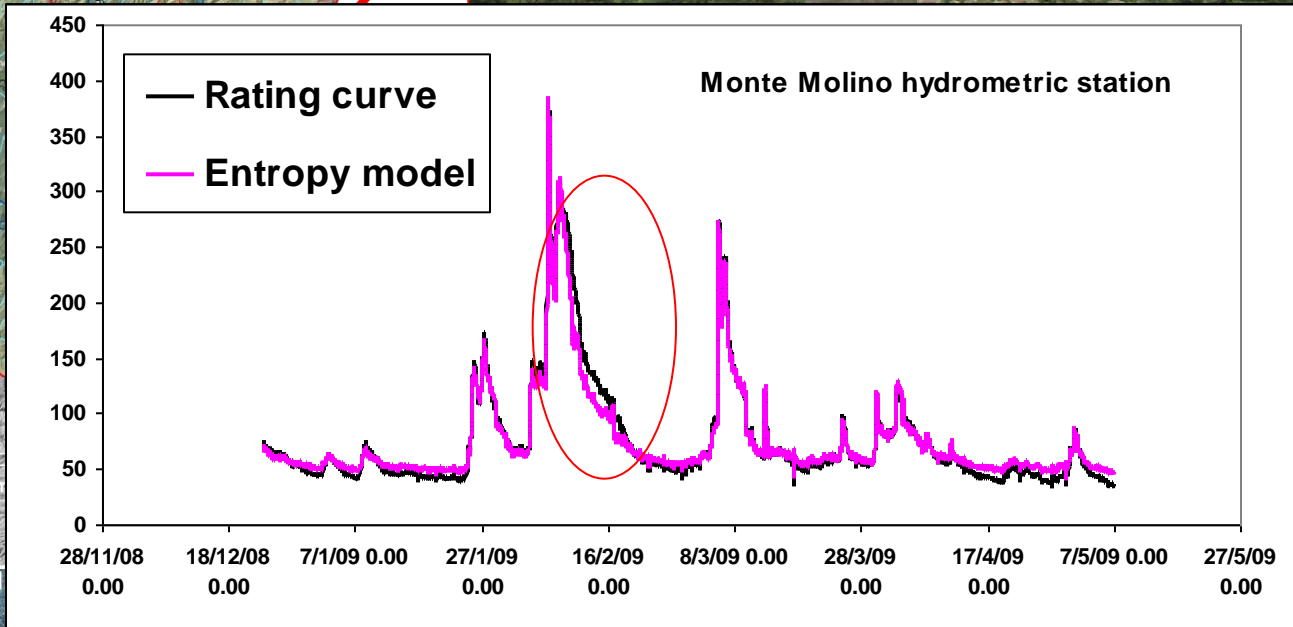
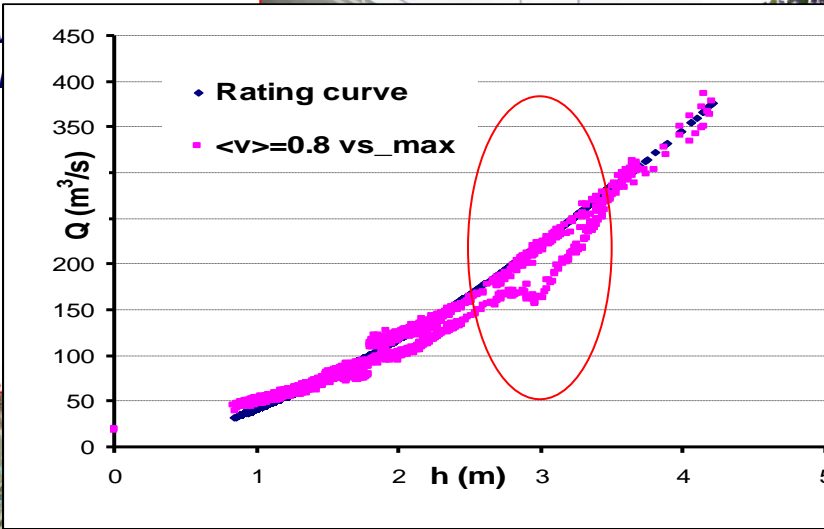
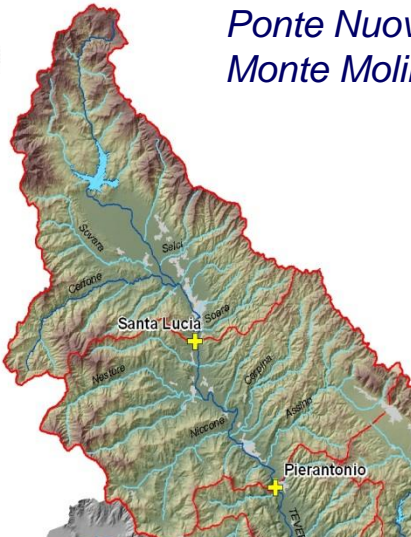
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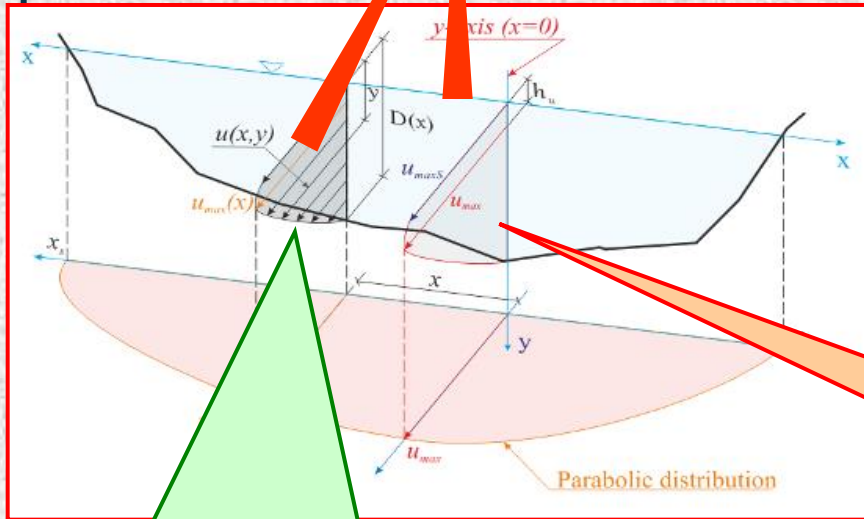


$$\frac{h}{D} \exp \left(1 - \frac{1}{1 - \frac{h}{D}} \right)$$

A prototype of radar-drone system for measuring the surface flow velocity at river sites and discharge estimation (SWARMNET Project - MIUR)



U_s WSL



Two-dimensional velocity distribution

(Moramarco et al. 2004):

$$u = \frac{U_{\max,y}}{M} \ln \left[1 + (e^M - 1) \frac{D-y}{D-h} \exp \left(1 - \frac{D-y}{D-h} \right) \right]$$

Recently, a growing interest towards the use of Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) for topographic applications is observed and considering their capability UAV may be of a considerable interest for the hydrological monitoring and in particular for streamflow measurements. Specifically, UAV may give information in terms of U_s and WSL of priority to estimate discharge by Entropy model.

U_{\max} estimation:

$$U_{\max} = \frac{U_{\max,y}}{\frac{1}{M} \ln \left[1 + (e^M - 1) \frac{D}{D-h} \exp \left(1 - \frac{D}{D-h} \right) \right]}$$

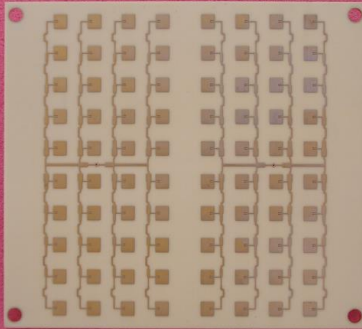
U_s : Surface flow velocity

WSL: Water Surface Level

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24 GHz Doppler Radar Sensor

The goal is to test a lightweight radar sensor built to be mounted onboard of Drone



- Sensitivity: 160 Hz of Doppler shift for 1 m/s of target relative velocity
- Range: about 20 m for a 1 m/s river speed
- DC current consumption: about 27 mA at 12 V supply
- Mass: **less than 200 g**
- Size: about 200 cubic centimeters (two 10 cm side boards one atop the other)

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Decatur SVR Radar - Experimental Radar Sensor Comparison

A campaign of flow measurement has been done along the Tiber River (Italy) at hydrometric site at Monte Molino gauged site (5100 km²).

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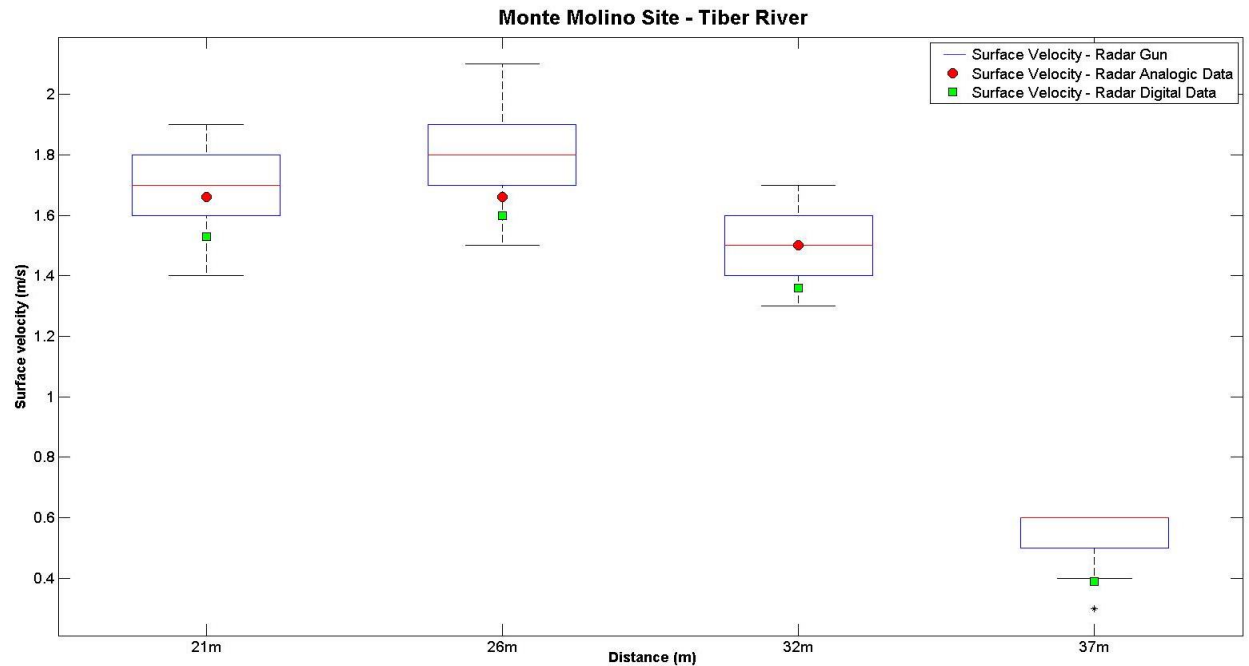


SVR. When the trigger is in the ON position, the SVR begins measuring the surface velocity and the average velocity over the last 10 seconds is given. SVR updates the velocity every 5 sec. After 60 seconds, SVR has completed ten separate 5-second batches of velocity measurements. The display indicates the average of these measurements.

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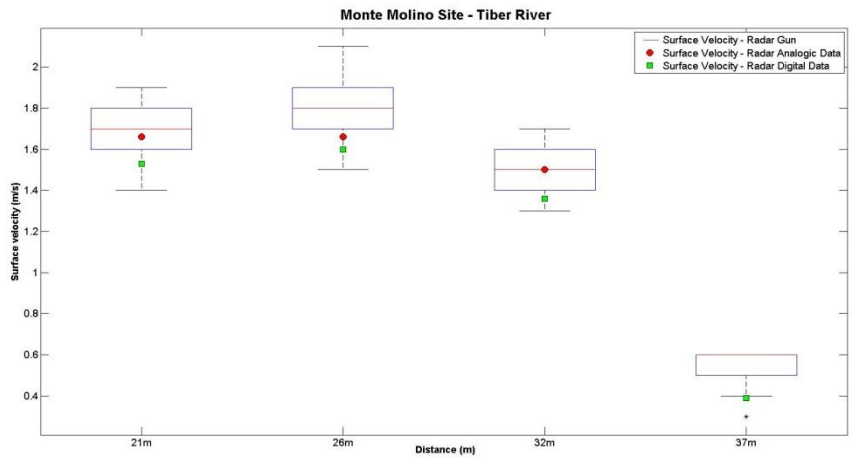
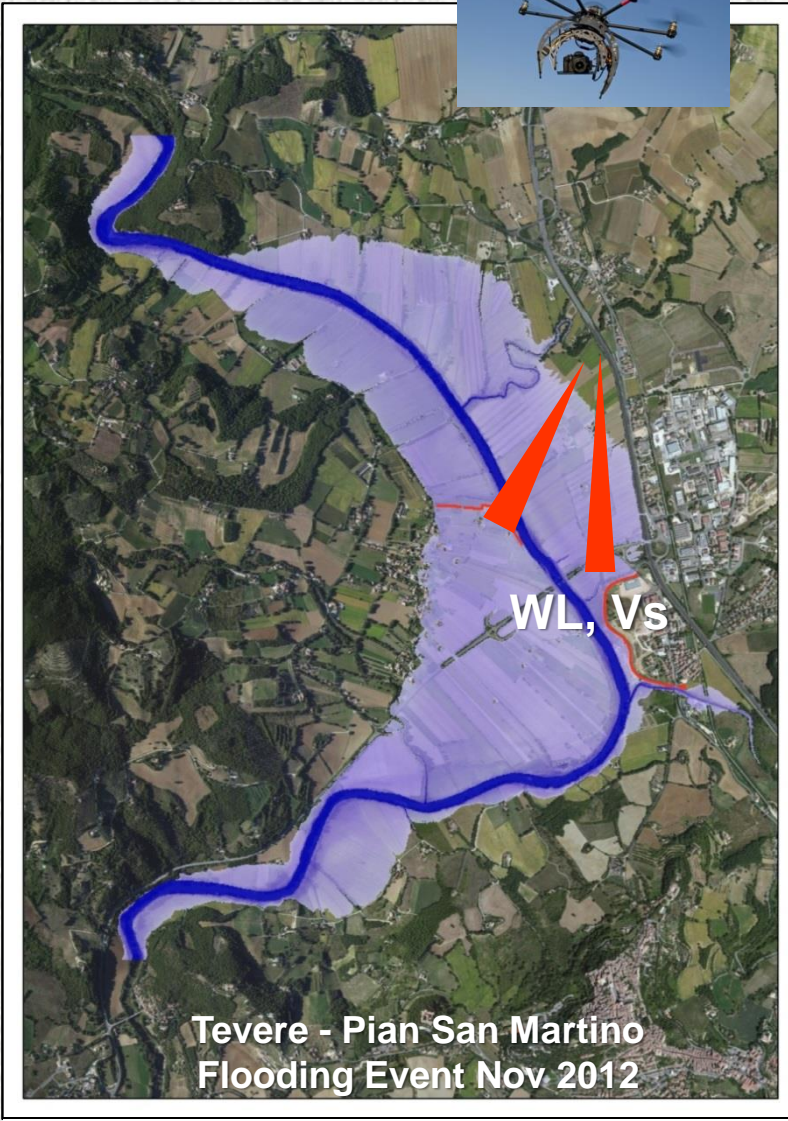
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Experimental Radar Sensor



Boxplot with whiskers from minimum to maximum of 10 average velocities by SVR along with Analogic and Digital by Experimental Radar Sensor measurement.

DRONE: Experimental Radar Sensor



Hydrometric Site Configurations

I. Hydrometric river site with unknown rating curve

Jones Formula (Henderson, 1966), Fenton (Fenton, 1999), Marchi (Marchi, 1976)



II. Equipped river reach with rating curve known at one of ends with significant lateral flow

Rainfall-runoff modeling, RCM (Moramarco et al. 2005)



III. Equipped River reach with level observations only

Dyrac (Dottori et al., 2009), MAST (Aricò et al., 2009), VPMS (Perumal et al., WRR, 2007; 2010)

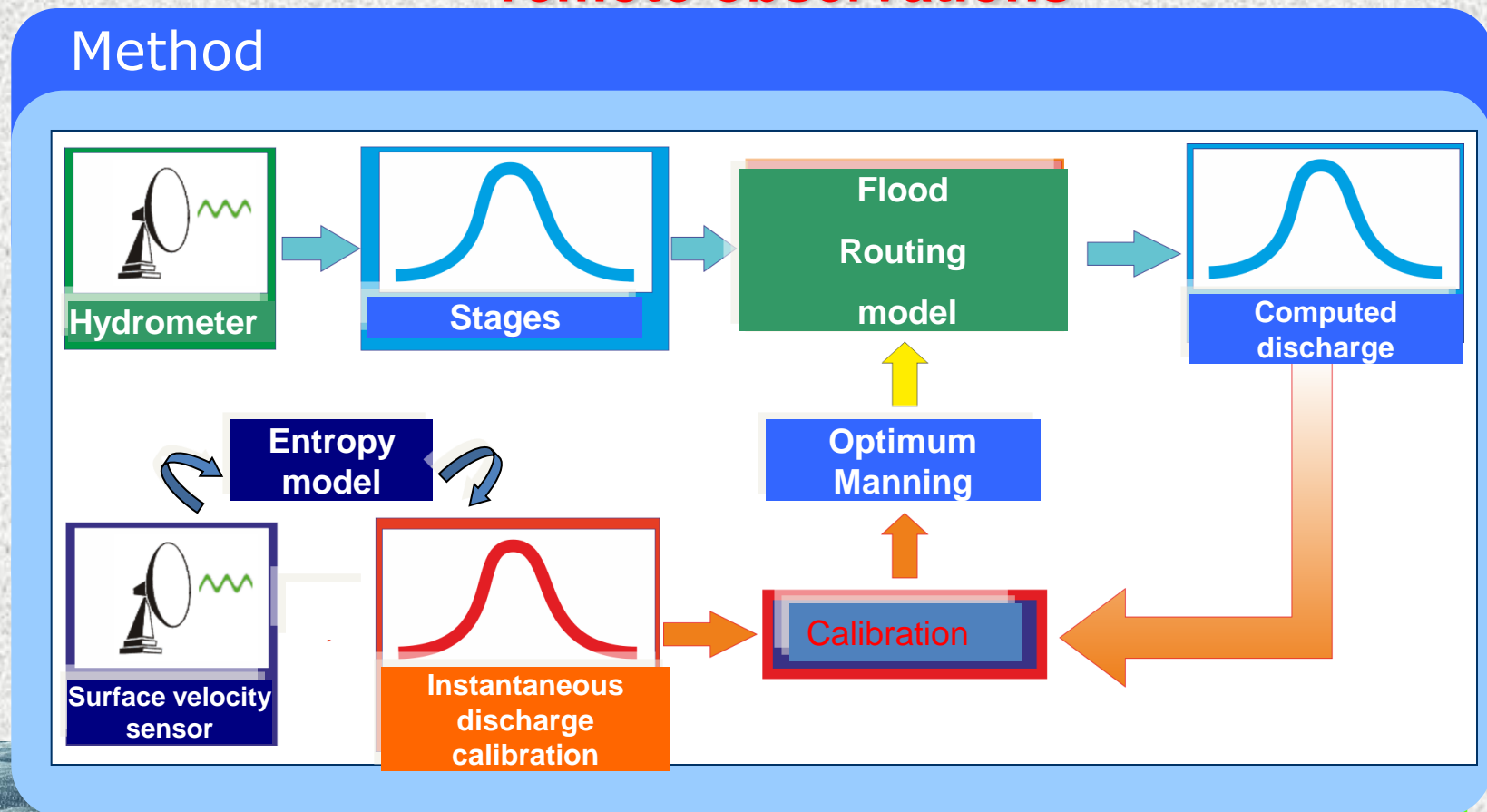


I. Hydrometric river site with unknown rating curve

Discharge estimation combining flow routing and occasional measurements of velocity

G. Corato¹, T. Moramarco¹, and T. Tucciarelli²

Discharge monitoring in near real time by coupling hydraulic and entropy model and using remote observations



Coupling stage routing modelling and entropy approach to discharge assessment

Diffusive form of Saint Venant Equation:

$$\frac{\partial A}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial q}{\partial x} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial x} = -\frac{n^2 q |q|}{A^2 R^{4/3}}$$



$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial t} - \frac{1}{T} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{R^{2/3} A}{n \sqrt{\left| \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} \right|}} \right) = 0$$

H: Hydraulic head; R: Hydraulic radius; A: Flow area;

n: Manning's roughness; T: channel width

Boundary conditions

Upstream: Observed Stages

$$h(0,t) = h_u(t) \longrightarrow \text{Water level driven}$$

Downstream: Zero Diffusion

$$\left. \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \right|_{x=L} = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \left. \frac{\partial^2 h}{\partial x^2} \right|_{x=L} = 0$$

Manning Calibration

- 1) Assign n value**
- 2) Compute $q(t, n)$ by model**
- 3) Measure surface vel at time t**
- 4) Compute $q(t)$ by Entropy**
- 5) Manning calibration**

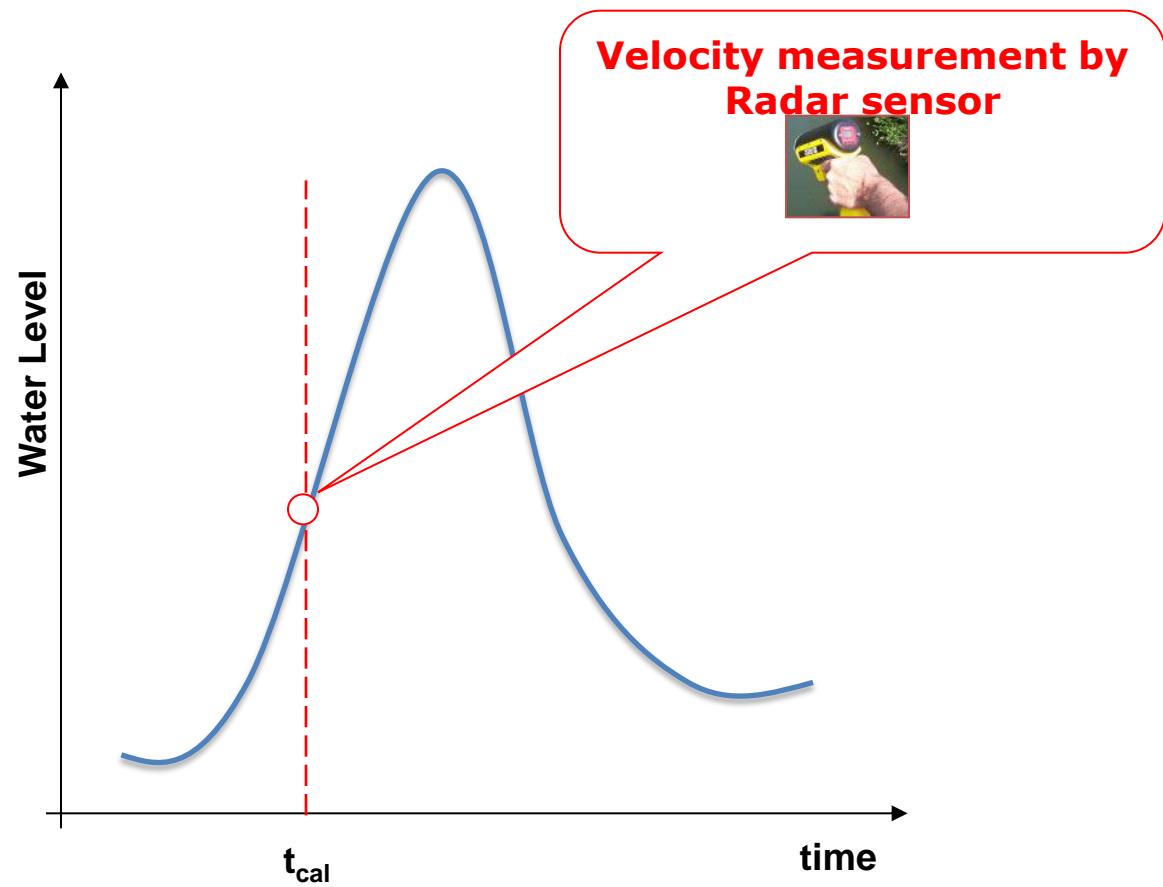
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Manning coefficient was determined minimizing the follow objective function:

$$Err(n) = \left| \frac{q_{comp}(t_{cal}, n) - q_{obs}(t_{cal})}{q_{obs}(t_{cal})} \right|$$



where $q_{comp}(t_{cal}, n)$ is the computed discharge at the instant t_{cal} in which measurement is carried out, while q_{obs} is the “observed” discharge by using the instantaneous surface velocity measure of basis to apply the entropy model.



Case Study: Tiber River

Pierantonio

Evento	Q_p [m ³ /s]	t_{ph} [h]	h_p [h]	DT [h]
Dec 1996	380.53	22.5	4.74	49.5
Apr 1997	429.44	32.5	5.07	74.5
Nov 1997	308.17	18.5	4.22	45
Feb 1999	427.93	21.5	5.06	59.5
Dec 2000	565.89	74	5.92	100
Nov 2005	779.03	30.5	7.1	64

Ponte Nuovo

event	Q_p [m ³ /s]	t_{ph} [h]	h_p [m]	DT [h]
Nov 2005	1073.20	22.75	0.52	70
Dec 2005	804.23			
Dec 2008	874.73			

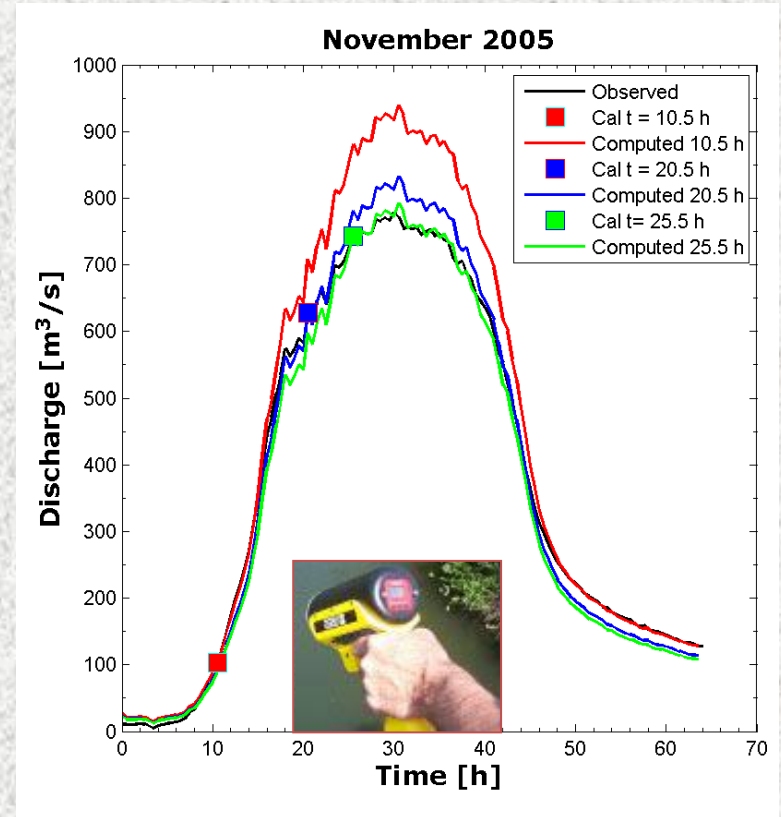
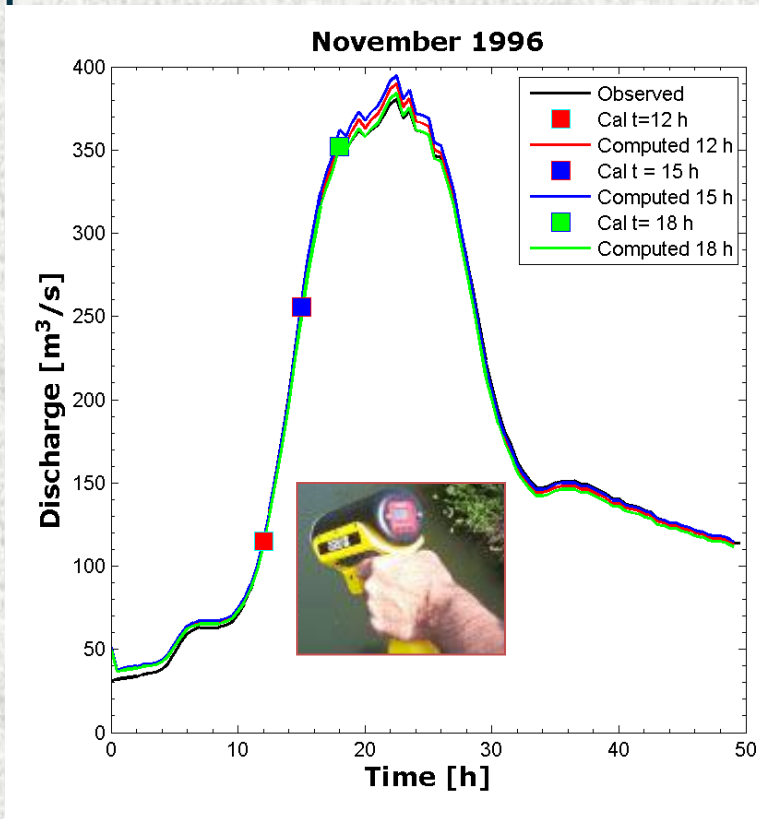
Monte Molino

evento	Q_p [m ³ /s]
Dec 2010	995.1
Jan 2010	1105.2



Test case 1: Pierantonio

Discharge Estimation Results



Cal. Time [h]	12	15	18
Man [$\text{sm}^{-1/3}$]	0.051	0.050	0.051
Q_{\max} err [%]	2.39	3.70	0.90

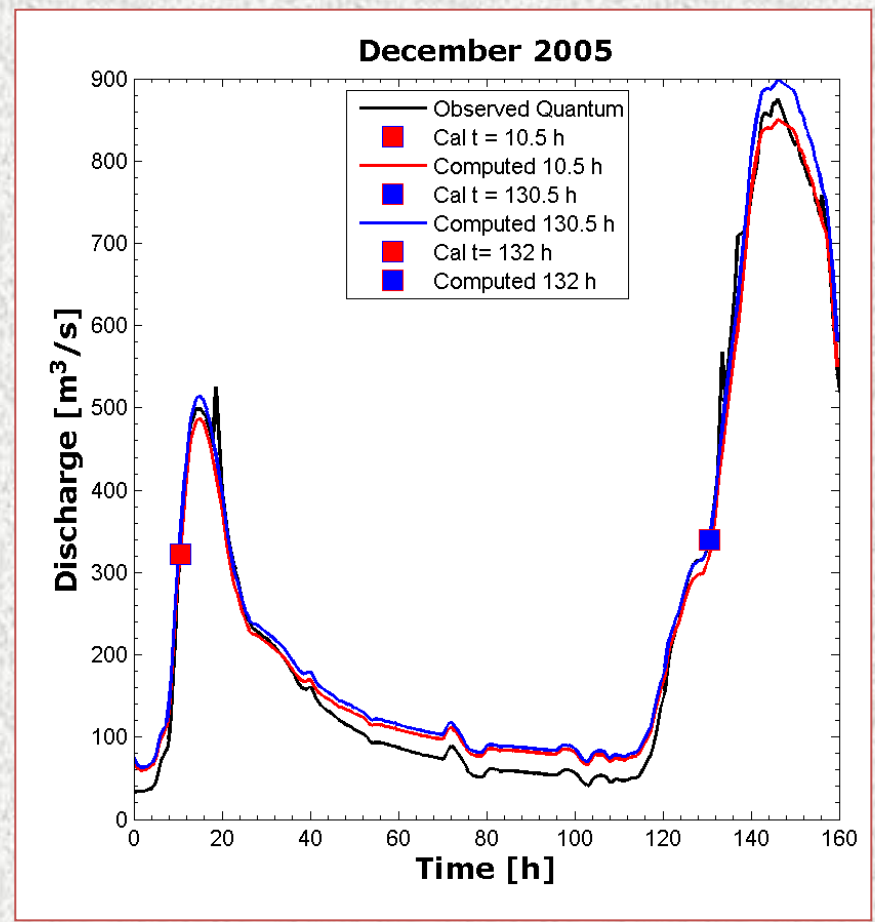
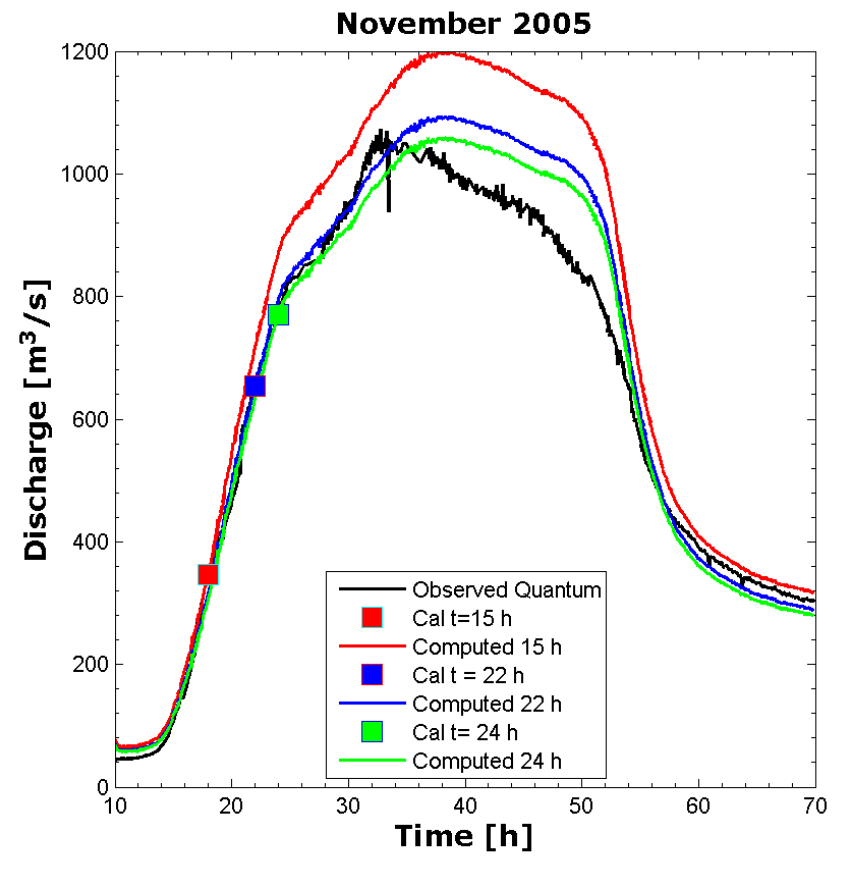
Cal. Time [h]	10.5	20.5	25.5
Man [$\text{sm}^{-1/3}$]	0.051	0.058	0.061
Q_{\max} err [%]	20.60	6.92	1.66

Case Study: Tiber River

Test case 2: Ponte Nuovo



Discharge Estimation Results



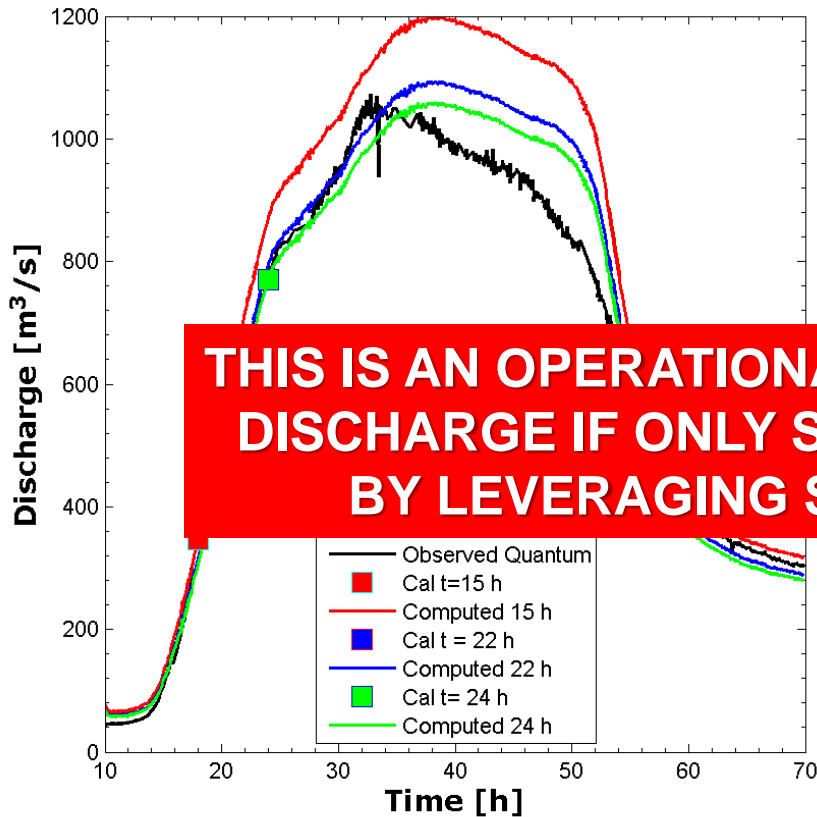
Cal. Time [h]	15	22	24
Man [sm ^{-1/3}]	0.04	0.044	0.045
Q _{max} err [%]	11.7	1.85	-1.36

Cal. Time [h]	10.5	130.5
Man [sm ^{-1/3}]	0.045	0.043
Q _{max} err [%]	-2.8	2.8



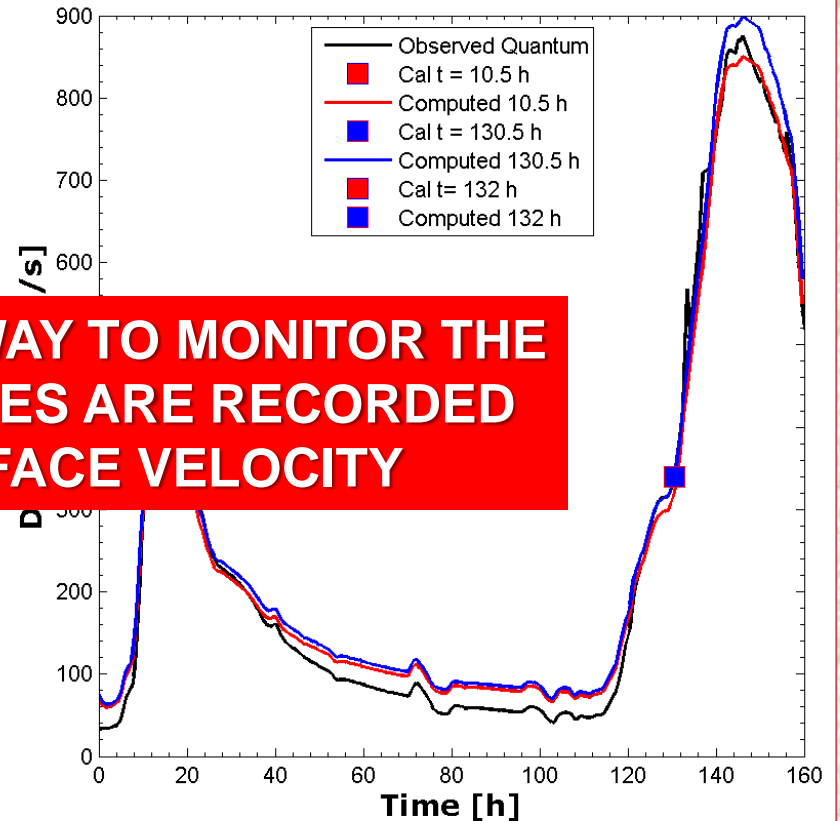
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November 2005



THIS IS AN OPERATIONAL WAY TO MONITOR THE DISCHARGE IF ONLY STAGES ARE RECORDED BY LEVERAGING SURFACE VELOCITY

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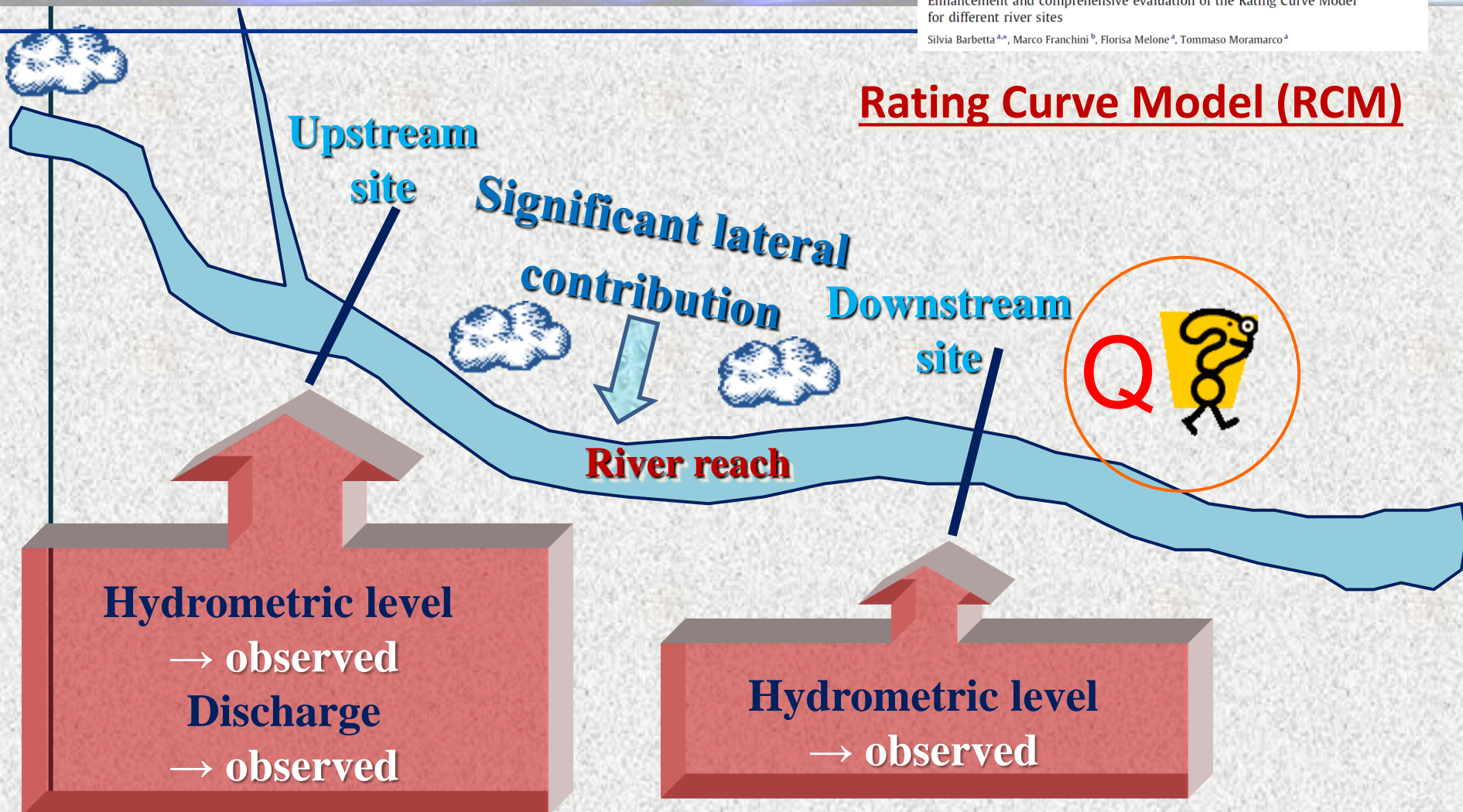
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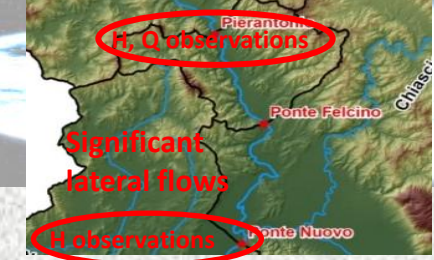
Enhancement and comprehensive evaluation of the Rating Curve Model for different river sites

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Rating Curve Model (RCM)



II. Equipped river reach with rating curve known at one of ends with significant lateral flow

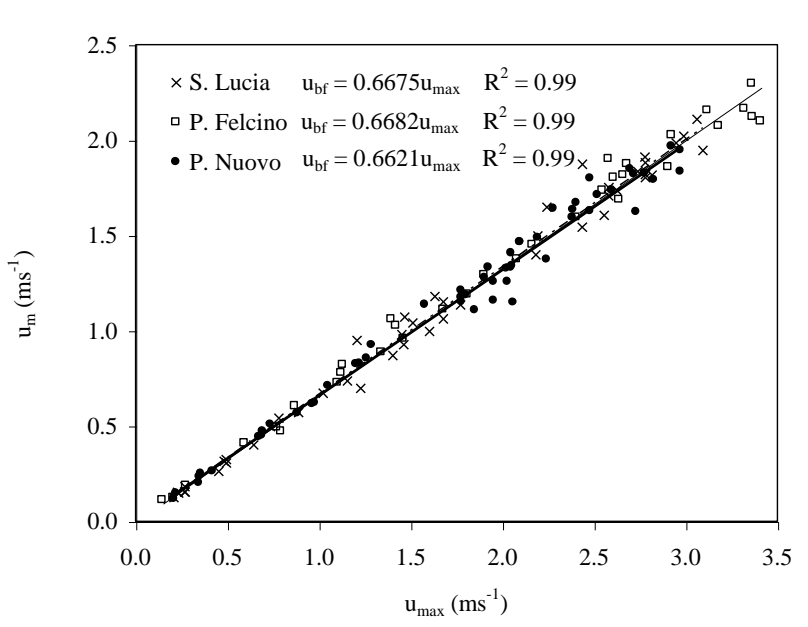
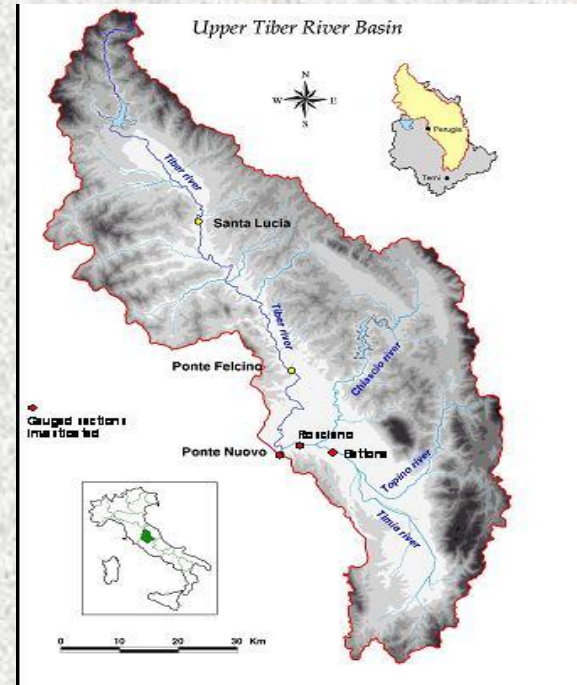


The Rating Curve Model (RCM)

$$\bar{u} = \Phi(M) u_{\max}$$

\bar{u} mean velocity
 u_{\max} maximum velocity
 M dimensionless entropy parameter

$$\Phi(M) = \left(\frac{e^M}{e^M - 1} - \frac{1}{M} \right)$$



$\Phi(M)$ almost constant along a reach

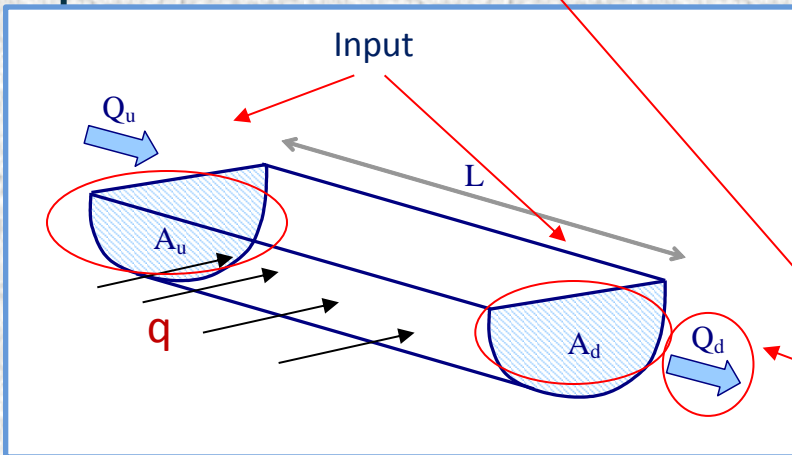
$$\frac{\bar{u}_u}{u_{\max, u}} \approx \frac{\bar{u}_d}{u_{\max, d}}$$

$$Q_d(t) = \alpha \frac{A_d(t)}{A_u(t - T_L)} Q_u(t - T_L) + \beta$$

RCM model: mathematical basis

The RCM model is a simple method for reconstructing the discharge hydrograph at a river site where only the stage is monitored and the discharge is recorded at another section (rating curve assessment for ungauged sites) allowing for significant lateral inflows assessment:

$$Q_d(t) = \alpha \frac{A_d(t)}{A_u(t - T_L)} Q_u(t - T_L) + \beta = \alpha X + \beta$$

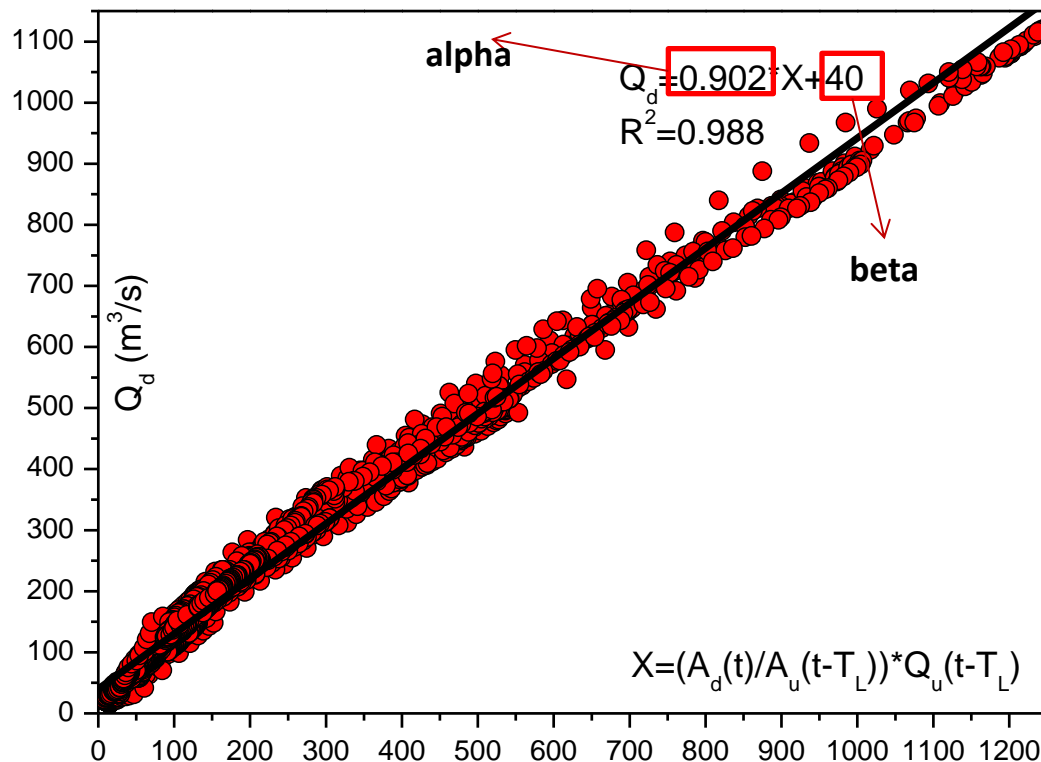


Q_d, Q_u = downstream and upstream discharges
 A_d, A_u = downstream and upstream cross section flow areas
 T_L = wave travel time
 α and β = parameters

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X_{obs}

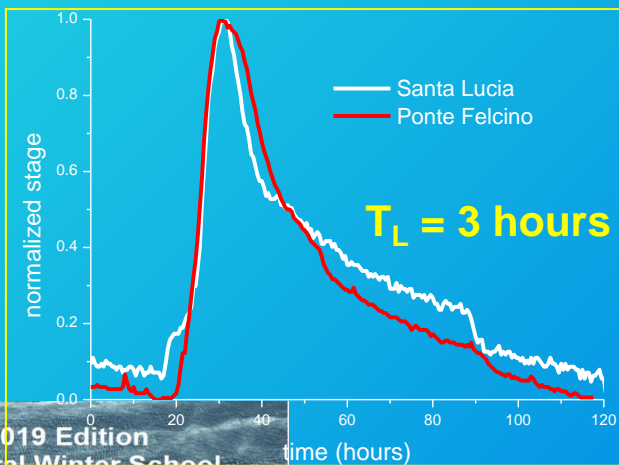
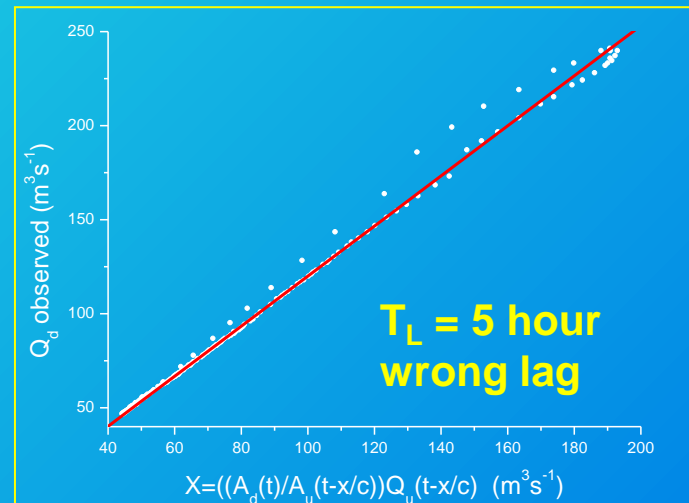
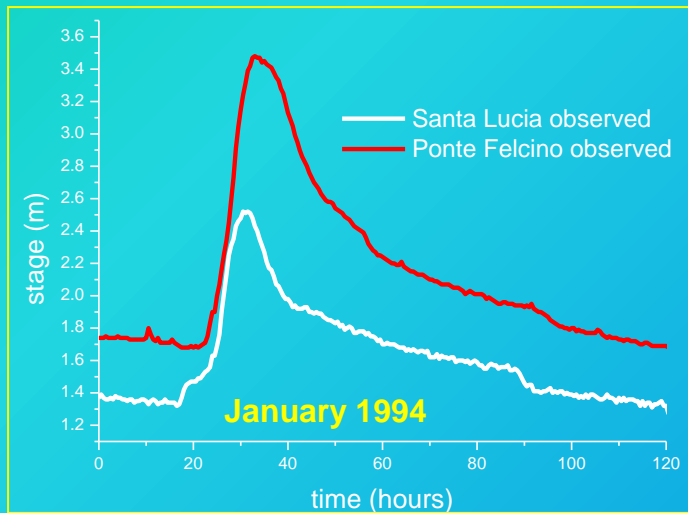


The RCM model identifies a linear relationship between the downstream discharge, Q_d , and the quantity X depending only on the flow areas and on the upstream discharge.

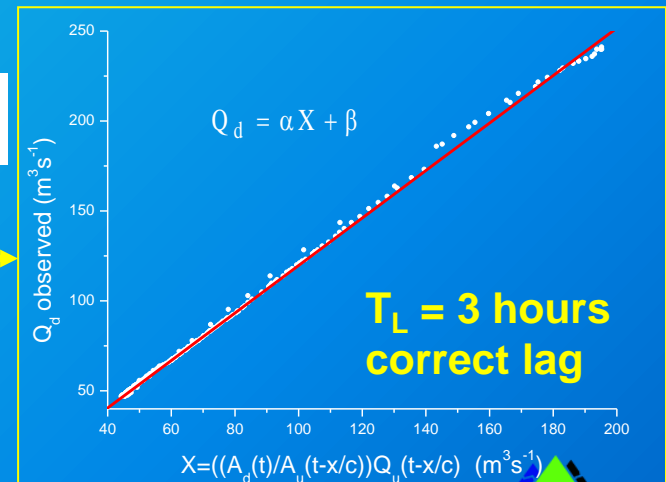
Parameters: α , β , T_L

RCM model: parameters assessment

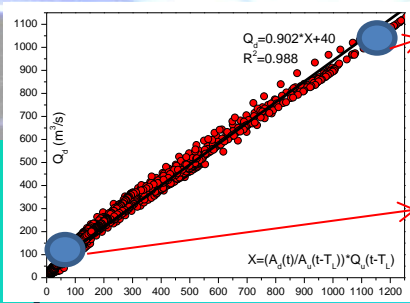
Wave travel time, T_L



$$h^*(t) = \frac{h(t) - h^b}{h^p - h^b}$$



RCM model: α and β assessment



$$1) Q_d(t_p) = \alpha \frac{A_d(t_p)}{A_u(t_p - T_L)} Q_u(t_p - T_L) + \beta = \alpha X + \beta$$

$$2) Q_b(t_b) = \alpha \frac{A_b(t_b)}{A_u(t_b - T_L)} Q_u(t_b - T_L) + \beta = \alpha X + \beta$$

To estimate α and β , **peak flow conditions, $Q_d(t_p)$** and **the baseflow, $Q_b(t_b)$** , have to be assessed:

Unknown Quantities

$$\alpha = \frac{Q_d(t_p) - Q_d(t_b)}{\left[\frac{A_d(t_p)}{A_u(t_p - T_L)} Q_u(t_p - T_L) - \frac{A_d(t_b)}{A_u(t_b - T_L)} Q_u(t_b - T_L) \right]}$$

$$\beta = Q_d(t_b) - \alpha \frac{A_d(t_b)}{A_u(t_b - T_L)} Q_u(t_b - T_L)$$

Observed Quantities

t_b = time when baseflow occurs at the downstream section

t_p = time when peak stage occurs at the downstream section

RCM model: parameters assessment

- The baseflow, $Q_d(t_b)$ is easily computed if wading measurements for low stages can be carried out. Otherwise, assuming for the downstream section the mean velocity observed at the upstream one, $Q_d(t_b)$ can be computed as the product between the upstream mean velocity at time $(t_b - T_L)$ and the downstream flow area $A_d(t_b)$. The value of baseflow is here assumed known.

Upstream (Q, h) → Downstream (h)

- The downstream peak discharge, $Q_d(t_p)$, can be estimated as:

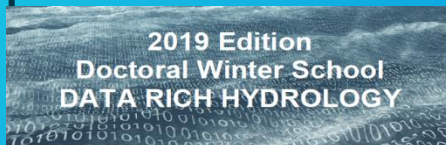
$$Q_d(t_p) = (Q_u(t_p - T_L) - Q^*) + q_p L$$

$$Q^* = \frac{K}{(L/T_L)^3} Q_u^p \left| \frac{Q_1 + Q_{-1} - 2Q_u^p}{(\Delta t^*)^2} \right|$$

Q^* = attenuation due to flood routing along the reach of length L (Price formula, 1973)

q_p = lateral inflow per unit channel length during the time interval $(t_p - T_L; t_p)$ assessed through a physically based simplified approach based on the continuity equation:

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial A}{\partial t} = q \implies \begin{cases} \frac{dA}{dt} = q \\ \frac{dx}{dt} = c = L/T_L \end{cases} \implies \frac{A_d(t_p) - A_u(t_p - T_L)}{T_L} = q_p$$



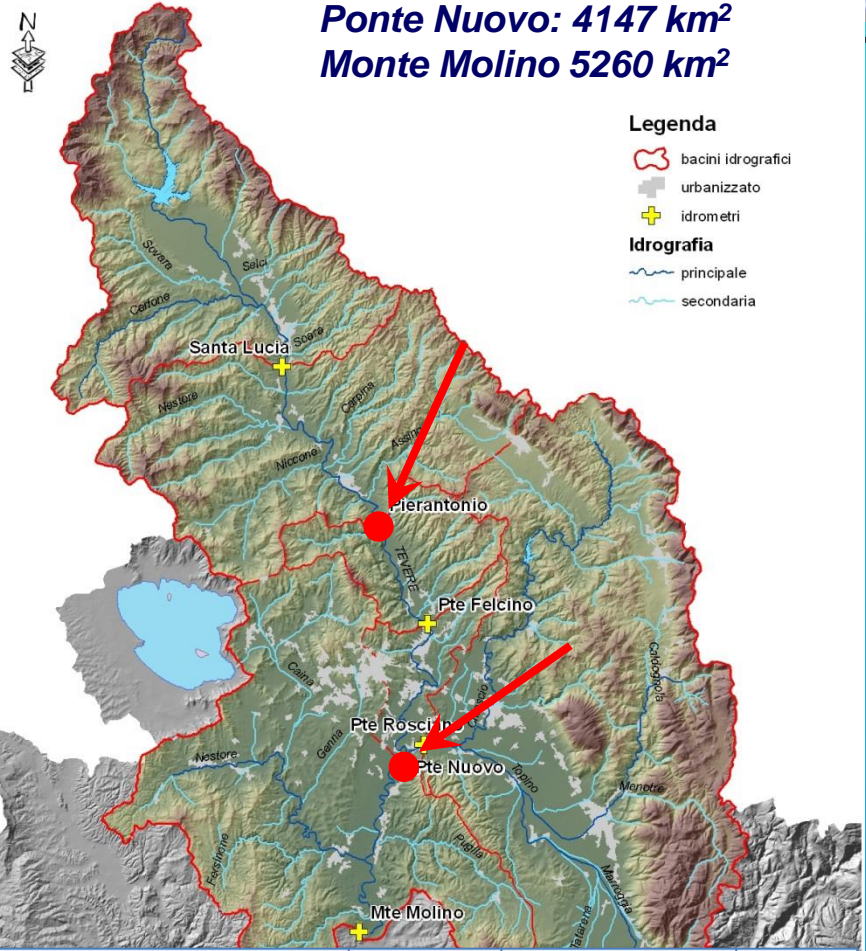
Tiber river reach – unsteady flow effects

To test the model capability to represent the unsteady flow effects the experimental data recorded by an ultrasonic flowmeter at the hydrometric section of Ponte Nuovo was considered as benchmark.



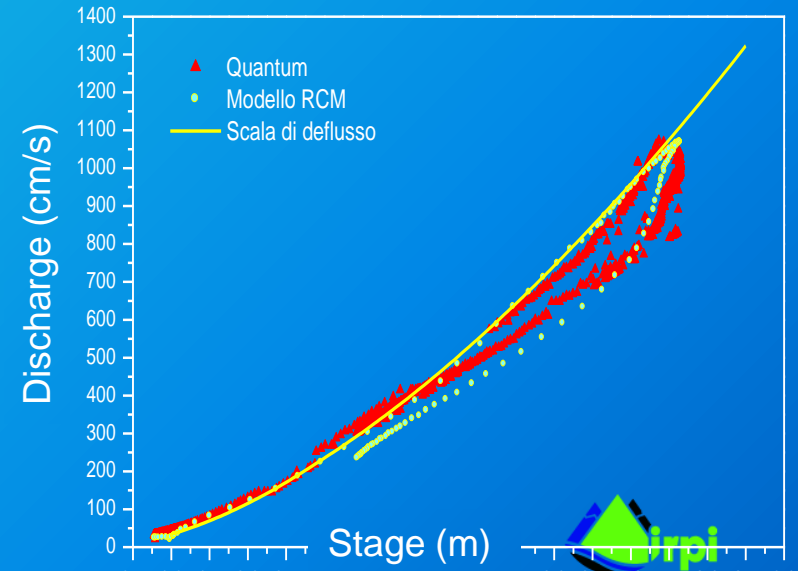
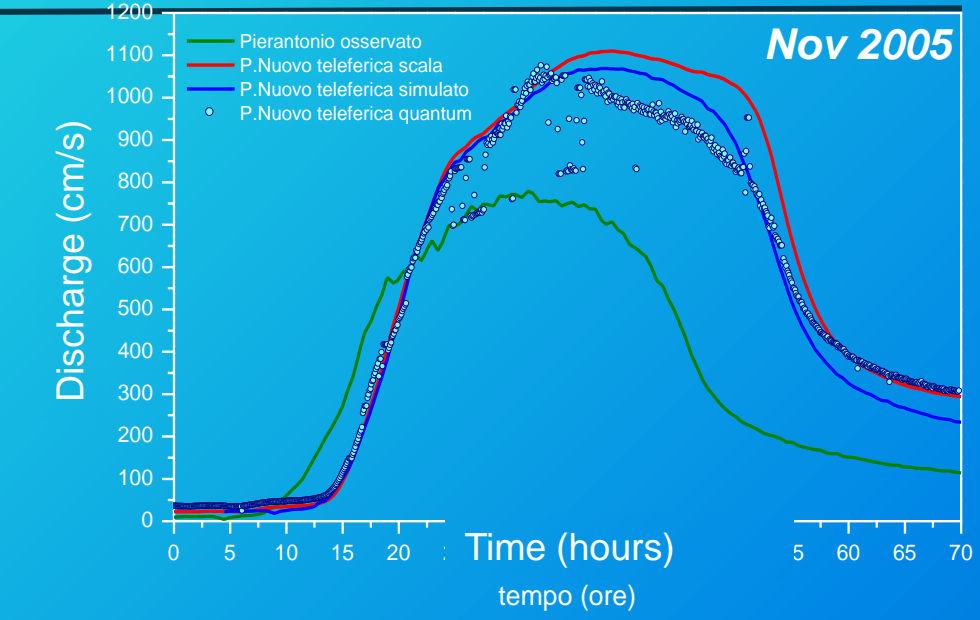
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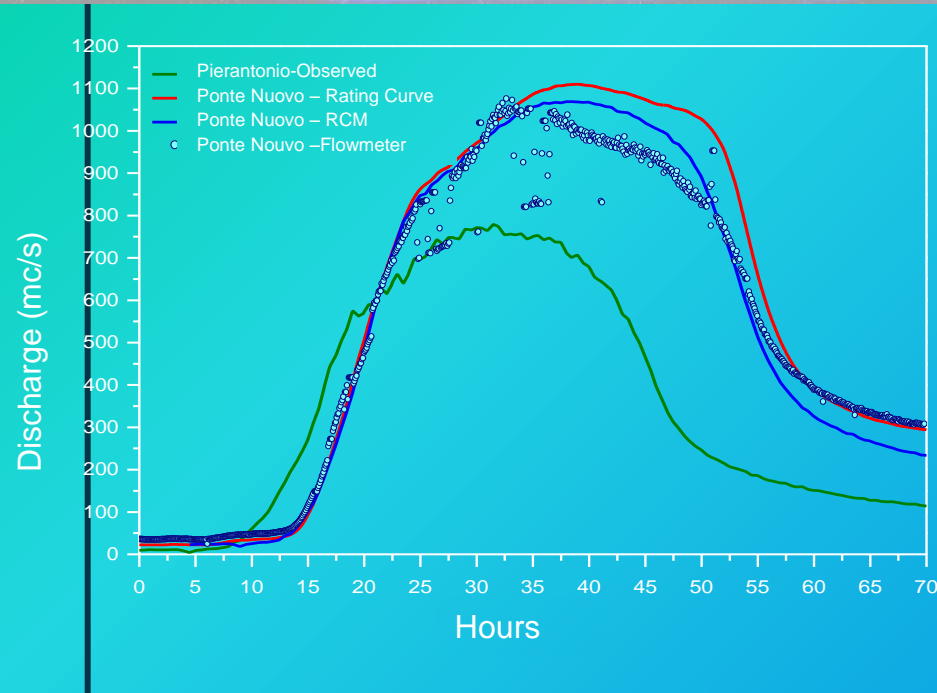


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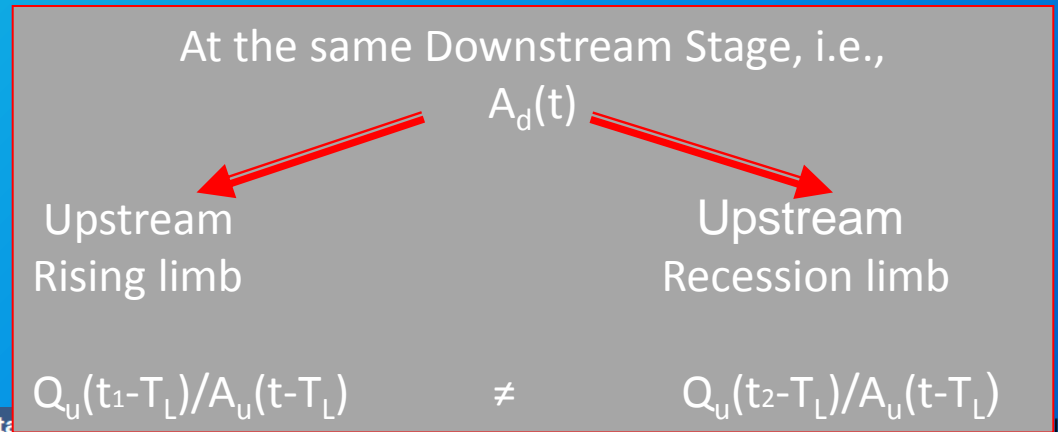
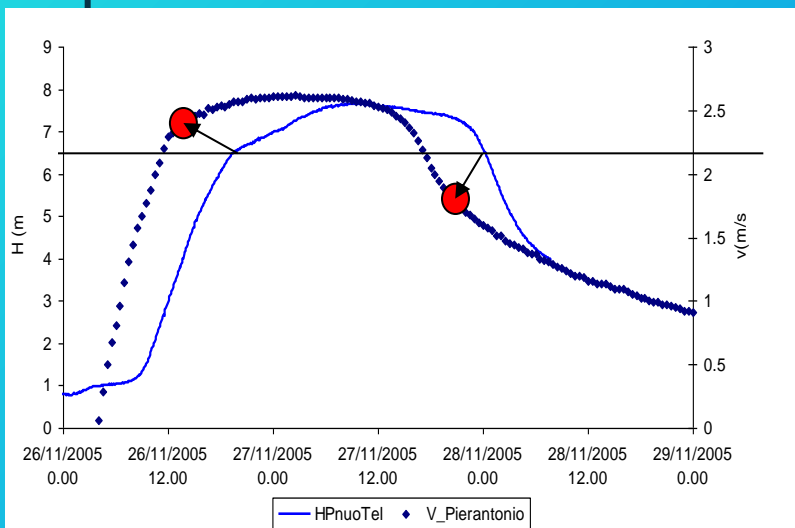
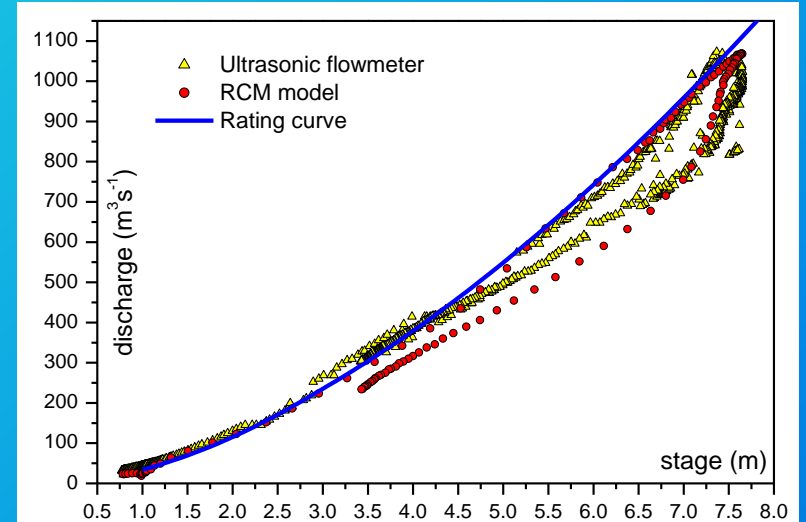
Section	A _b [km ²]	A _{int} [km ²]	L [km]
Pierantonio	1805	2340	40
Ponte Nuovo	4145		



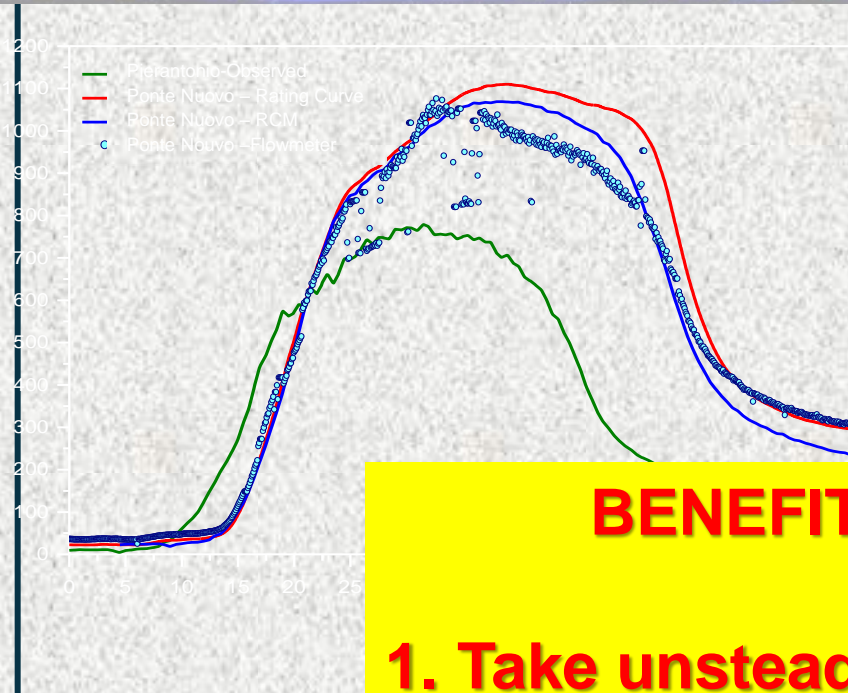
Tiber river reach – Flood Event on 25-27 November 2005



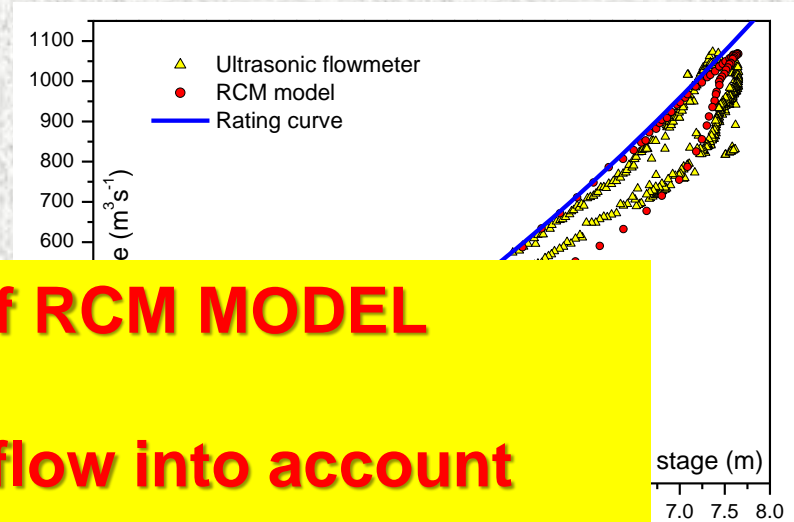
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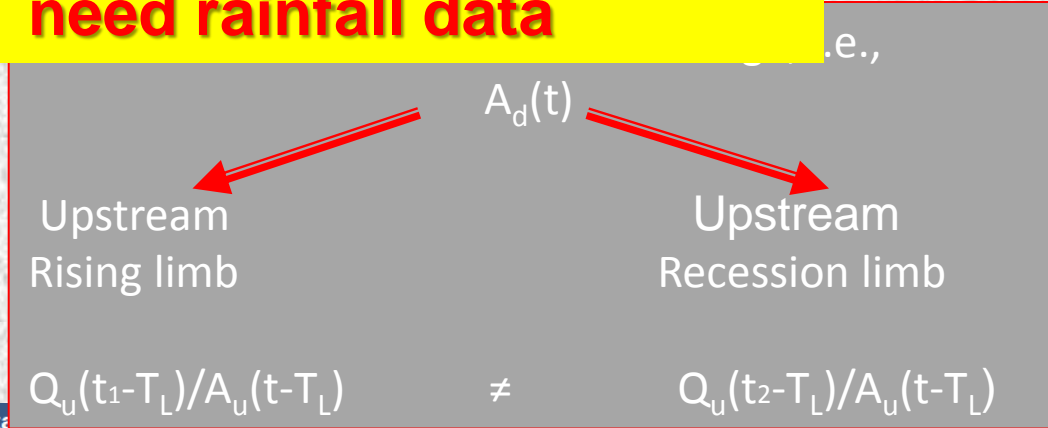
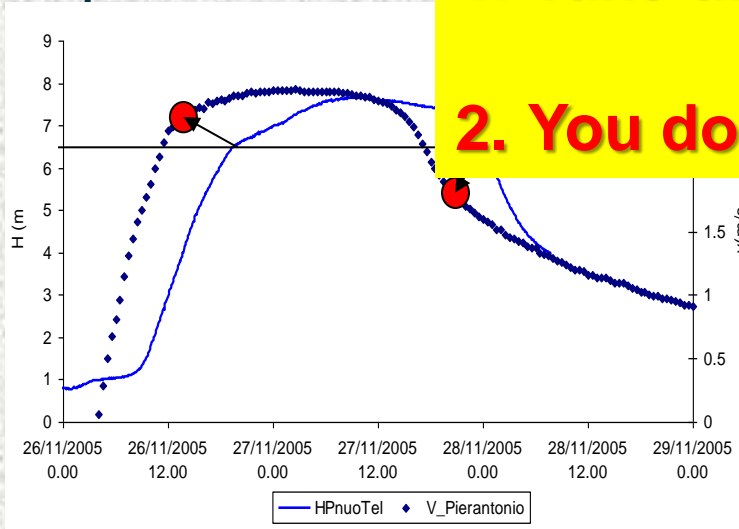


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BENEFIT of RCM MODEL

- 1. Take unsteady flow into account**
- 2. You don't need rainfall data**



Discharge Monitoring by Satellite



The SWOT and SENTINEL missions:
River monitoring at global scale

Water Surface
Elevation
(ALTIMETER)

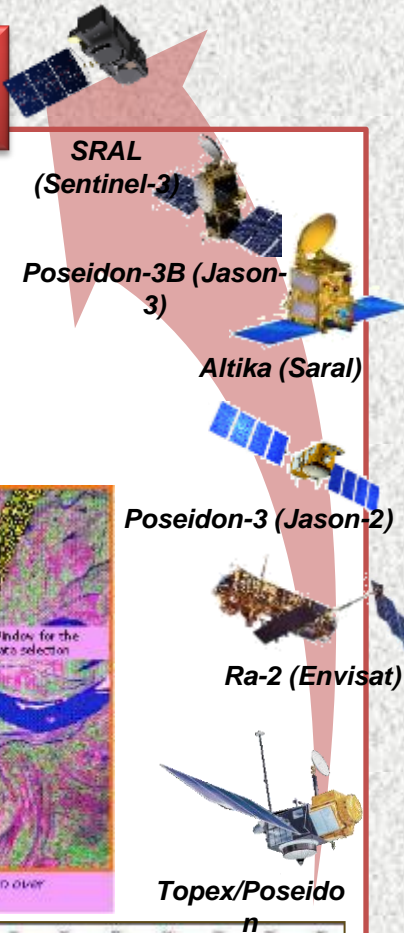
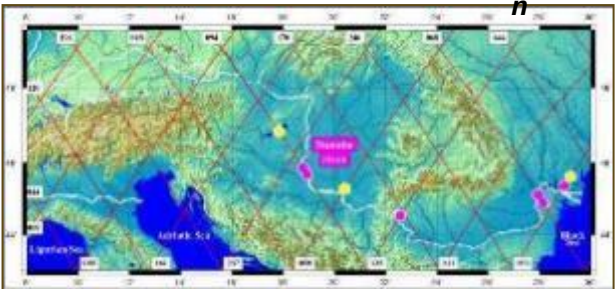
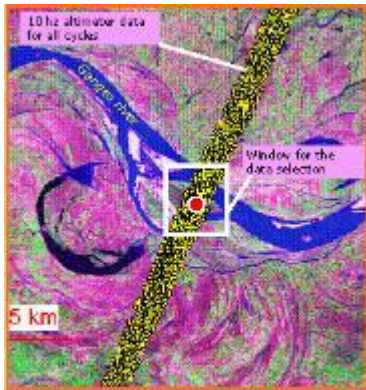
Water Surface
Velocity
(MODIS - MERIS)

Discharge
Assessment

RIVER DISCHARGE FROM SATELLITE OBSERVATIONS

RADAR ALTIMETER

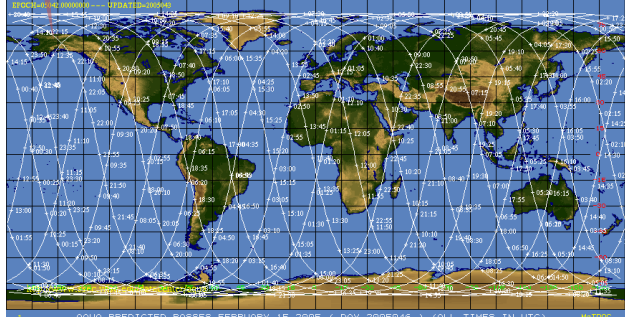
Temporal resolution:
10-35 days



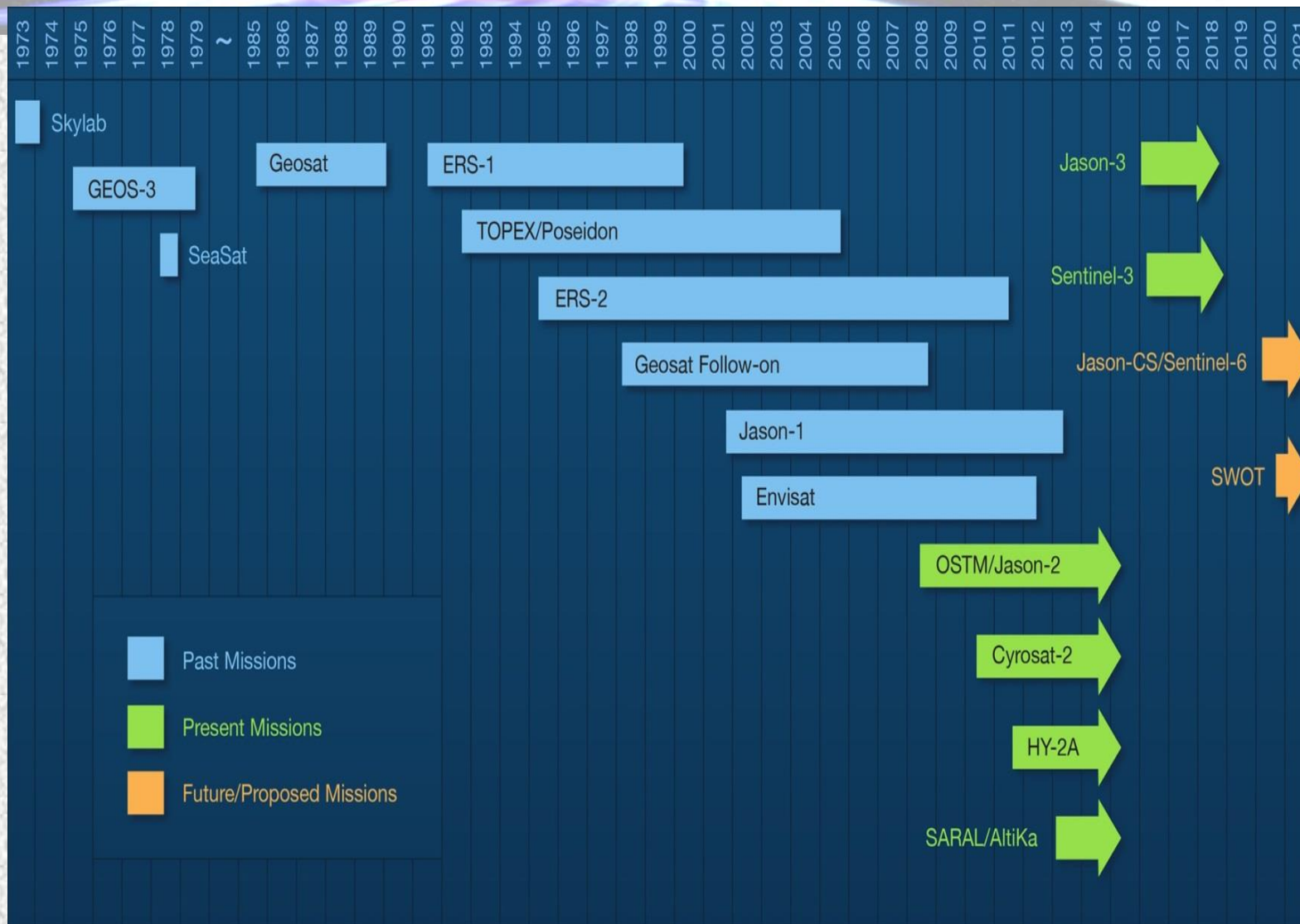
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RADIOMETER

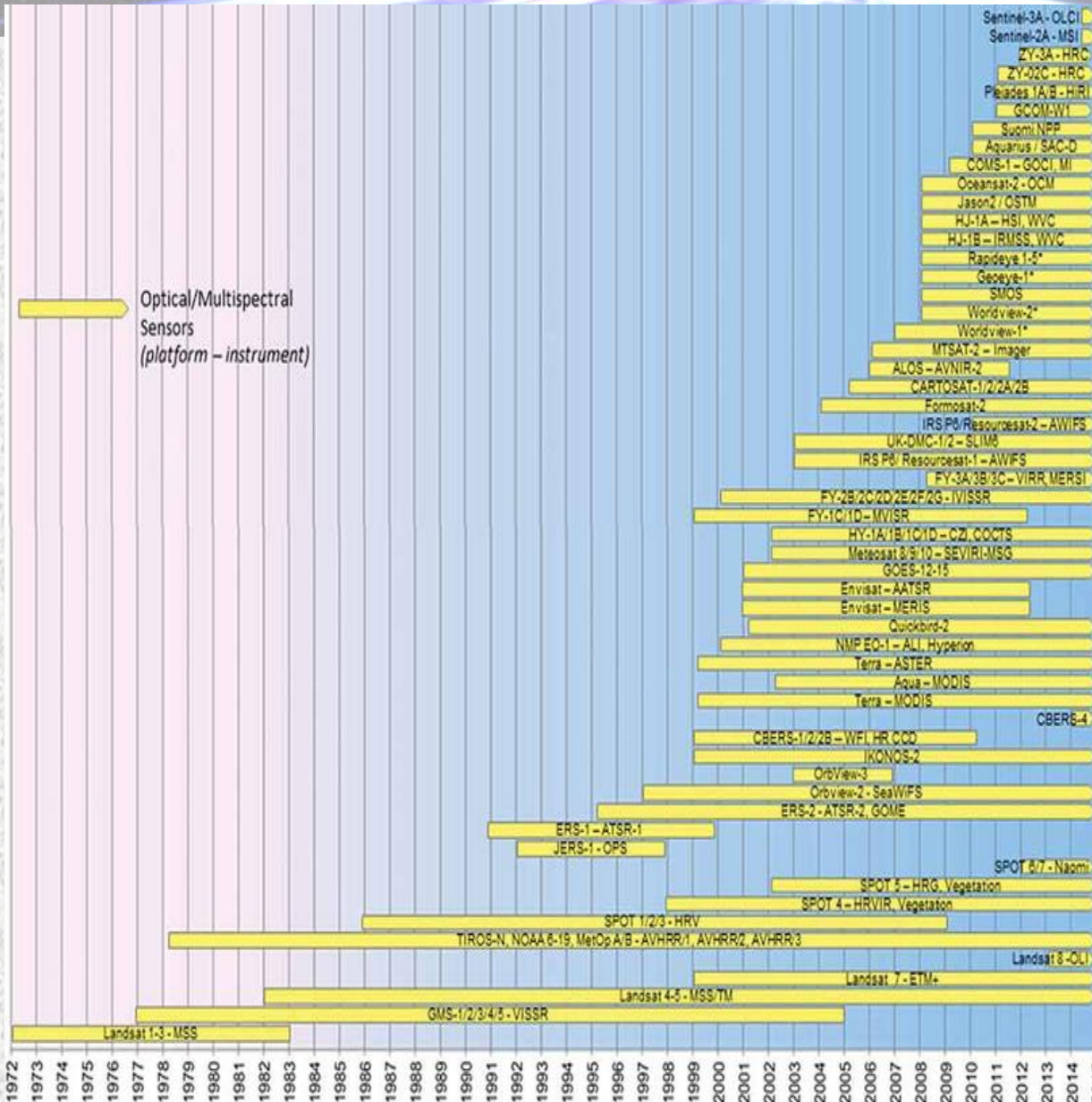
Spatial resolution:
250-350 m
Temporal resolution:
1-10 days



Radar altimetry missions



Optical and multispectral sensors



Vis/NIR
 Spatial resolution: 10-350 m
 Temporal resolution: 1-10 days

II. Equipped river reach with rating curve known at one of ends

RCM (Moramarco et al. 2005)



Hydrometric Monitoring

Upstream site

Significant lateral contribution

Modis (P)

Downstream site



Altimetry Radar
ERS-2
ENVISAT

Discharge Monitoring by Satellite

Hydrometric level

→ observed

Discharge

Hydrometric level

→ observed

Short period

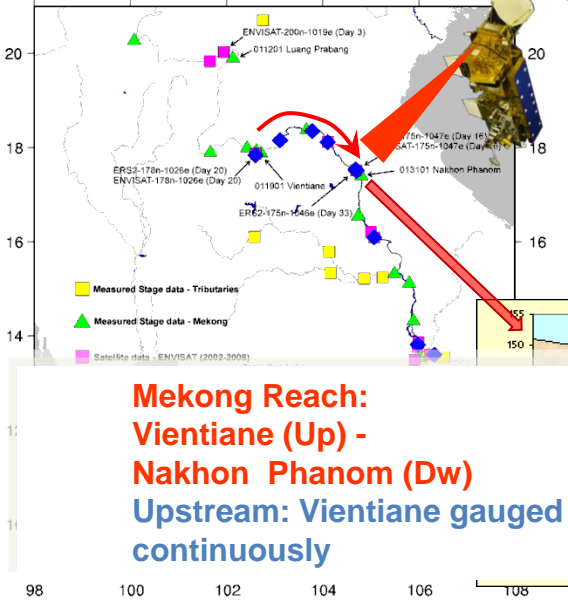


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Relating Qu– WL(Alt) downstream

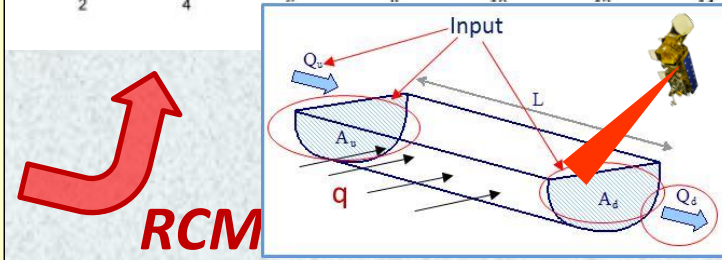
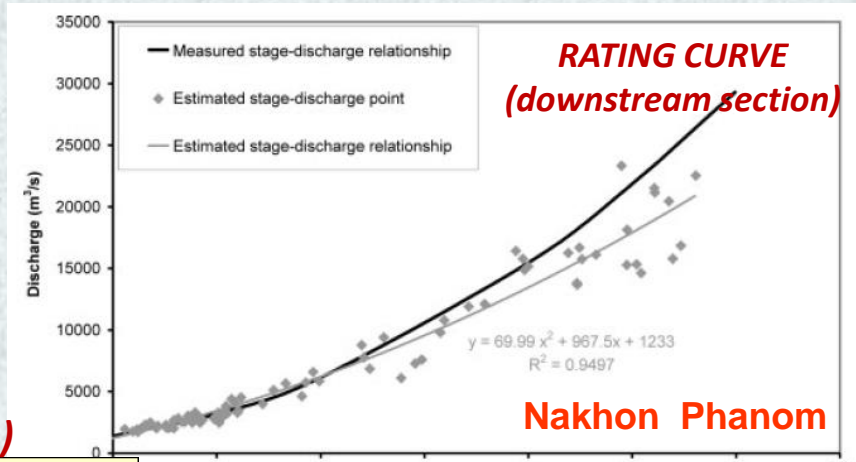
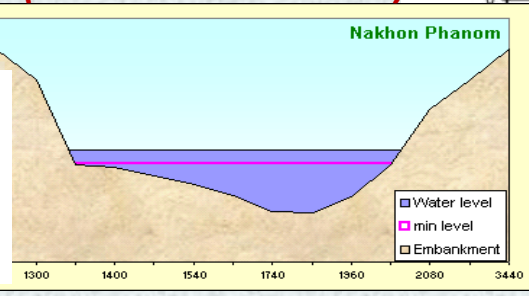
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Mekong River: reach bounded by two gauged sections (400 km; intermediate drainage area 300000 km². width >1000 m)



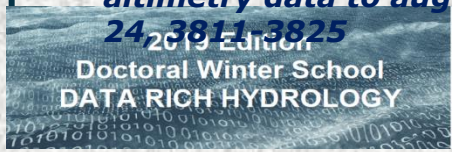
Mekong Reach:
Vientiane (Up) - Nakhon Phanom (Dw)
 Upstream: Vientiane gauged continuously

ALTIMETRY LEVEL (downstream section)



RCM

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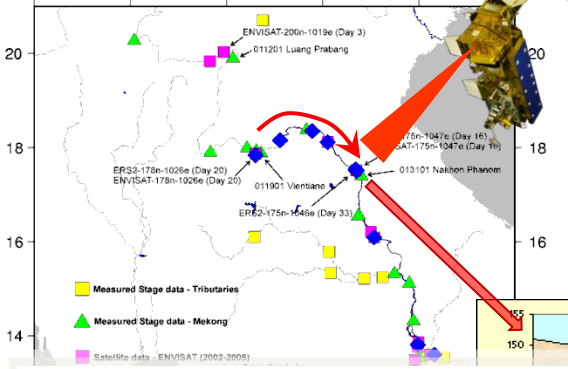
Relating Q_u - $WL(Alt)$ downstream

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$$Q_d(t) = \alpha \frac{A_d(t)}{A_u(t - T_L)} Q_u(t - T_L) + \beta = \alpha X + \beta$$

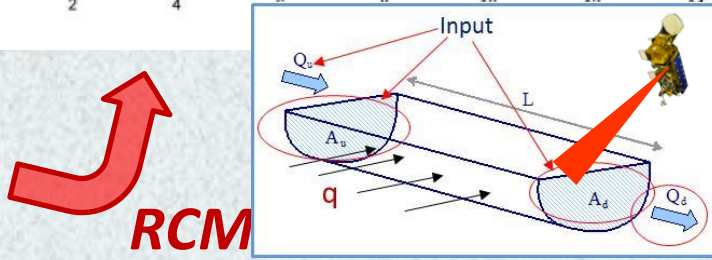
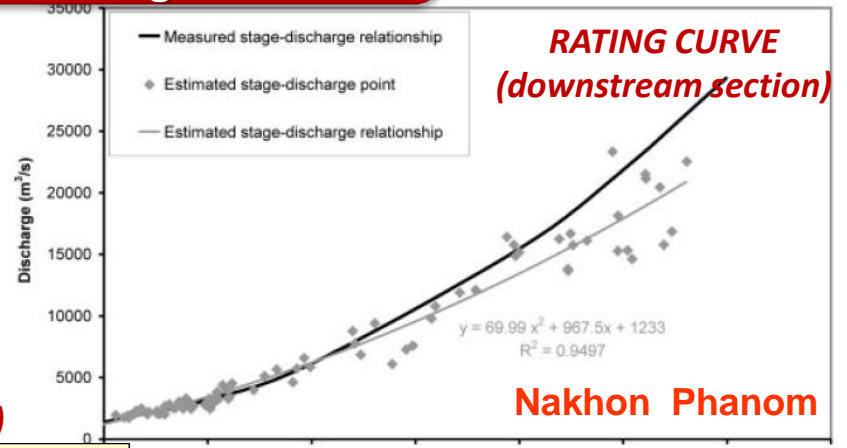
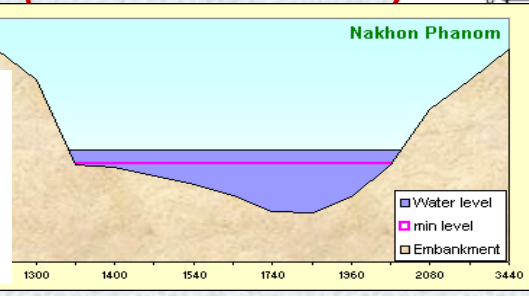
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RCM

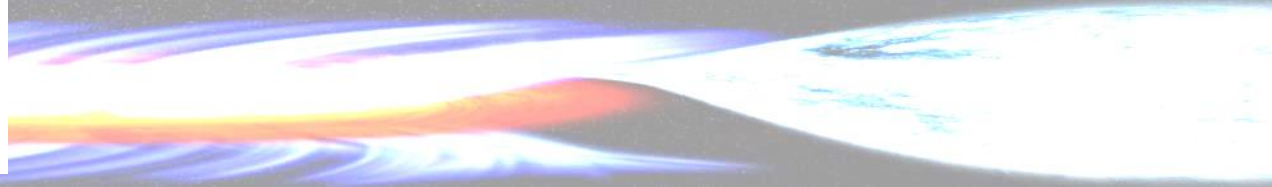
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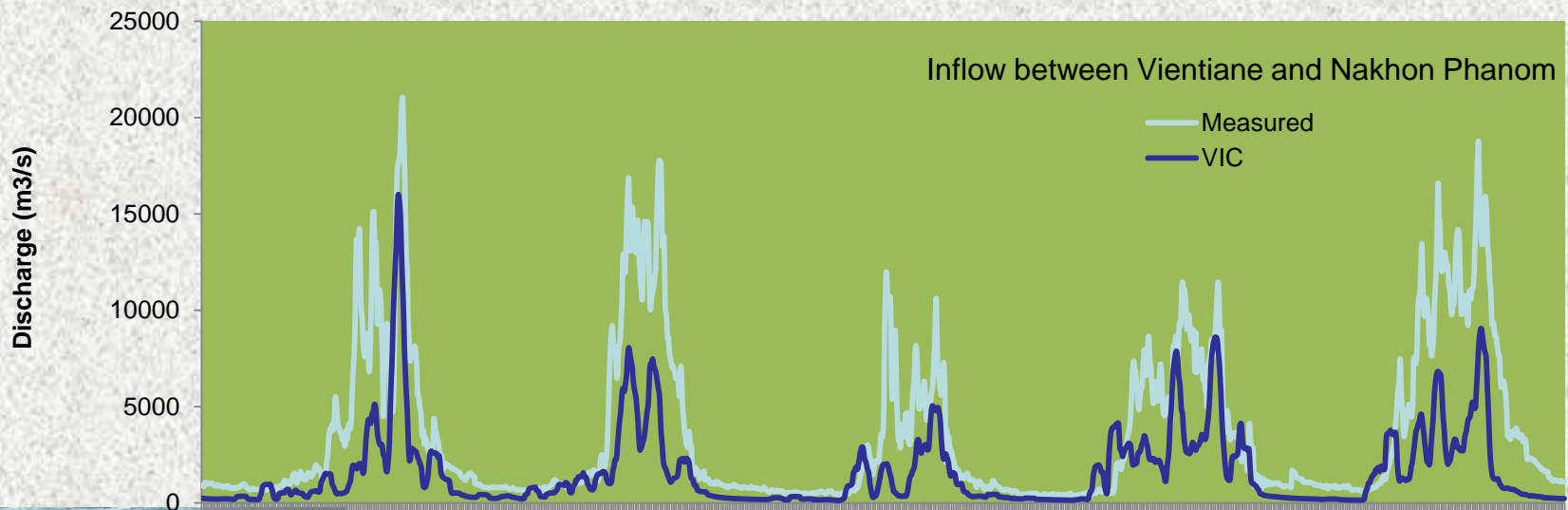


Without altimetry:

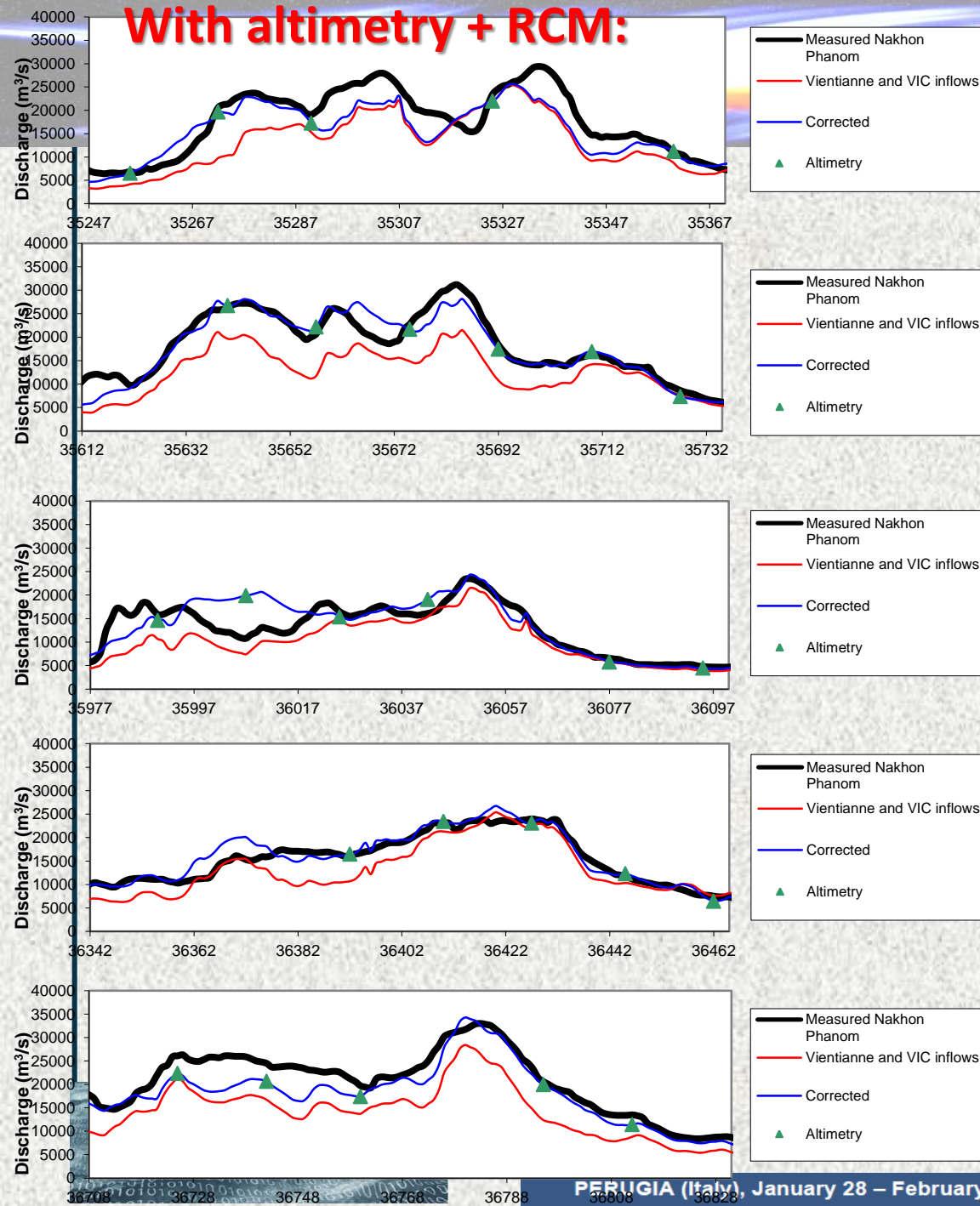
Discharge at Nakhon Phanom equal discharge at Vientiane three days earlier
complemented by lateral inflows from a macro-scale hydrologic model

Variable Infiltration Capacity (VIC) model (Liang *et al.*, 1994) run for Mekong basin 1979 - 2000 (Costa-Cabral *et al.* 2008).

$$Q_{NP-UG}^t = Q_V^{t-3} + Q_{VIC}^t$$



With altimetry + RCM:



$$Q_d(t) = \alpha \frac{A_d(t)}{A_u(t-T_L)} Q_u(t-T_L) + \beta = \alpha X + \beta$$

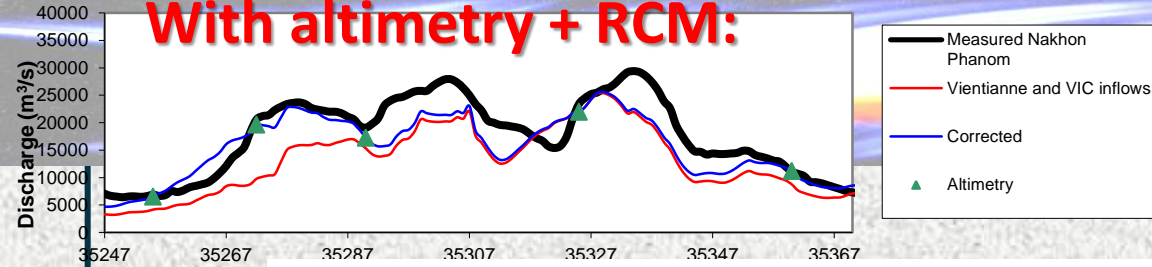
Ungauged site scenario: measured, predicted, altimetric corrected and altimetry data at Nakhon Phanom 1996-2000.

R^2 without altimetry data: 0.823
 R^2 with altimetry data: 0.947

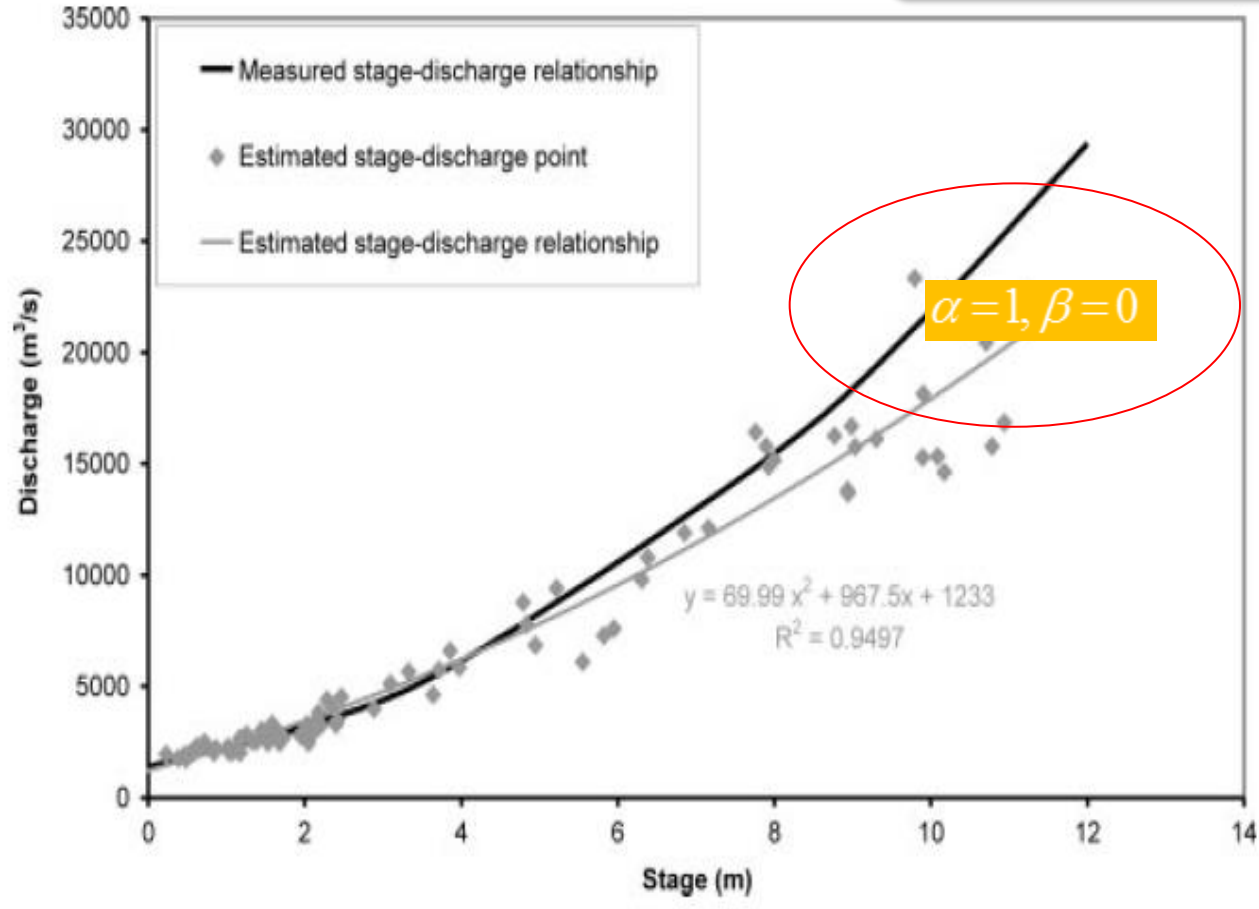
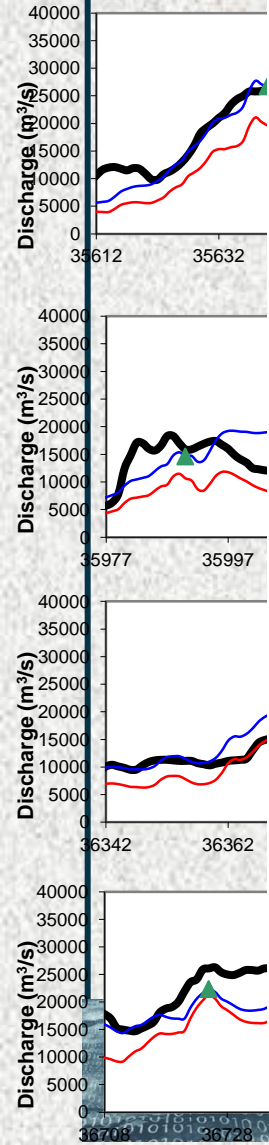
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(m^3/s)

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Figure 13. Estimated stage-discharge relationship at NP



River Discharge Estimation by Using Altimetry Data and Simplified Flood Routing Modeling

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Empirical discharge formulation (Bjerklie, 2003 JoH)

$$Q = c_1 \cdot W^a \cdot Y^b \cdot S^d$$

Discharge
Surface top width
Depth of the equivalent rectangular section
channel slope

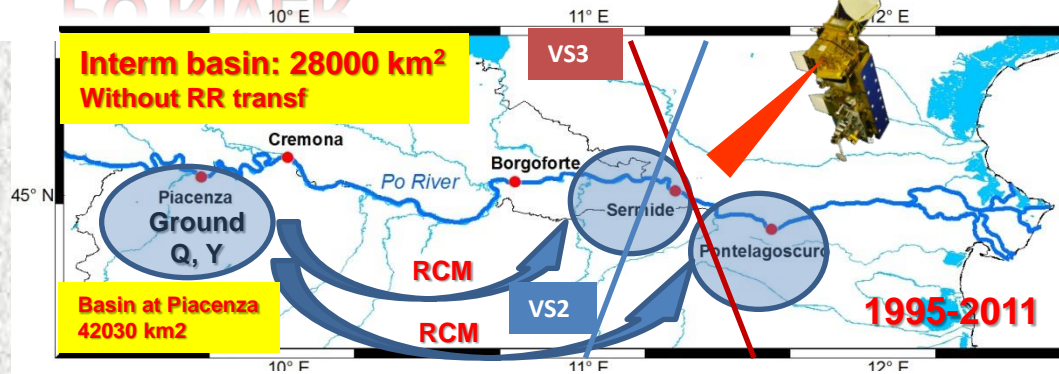
$$Q_{BJE} = 7.22 \cdot W^{1.02} \cdot Y^{1.74} \cdot S^{0.35}$$

Parameters calibrated and validated using 1012 discharge measurements in 102 rivers in the United States and New Zealand

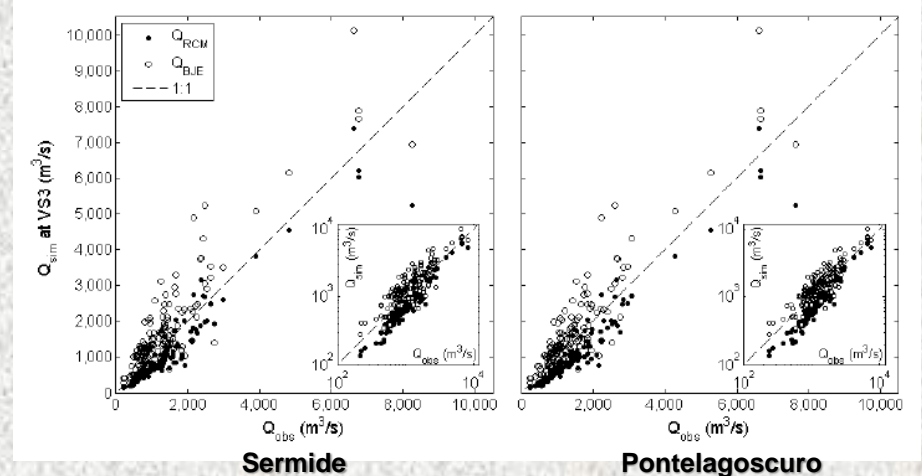
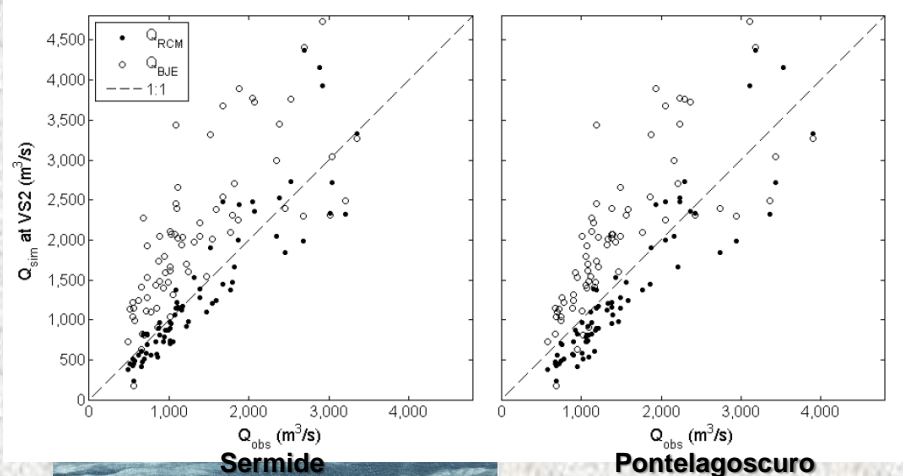
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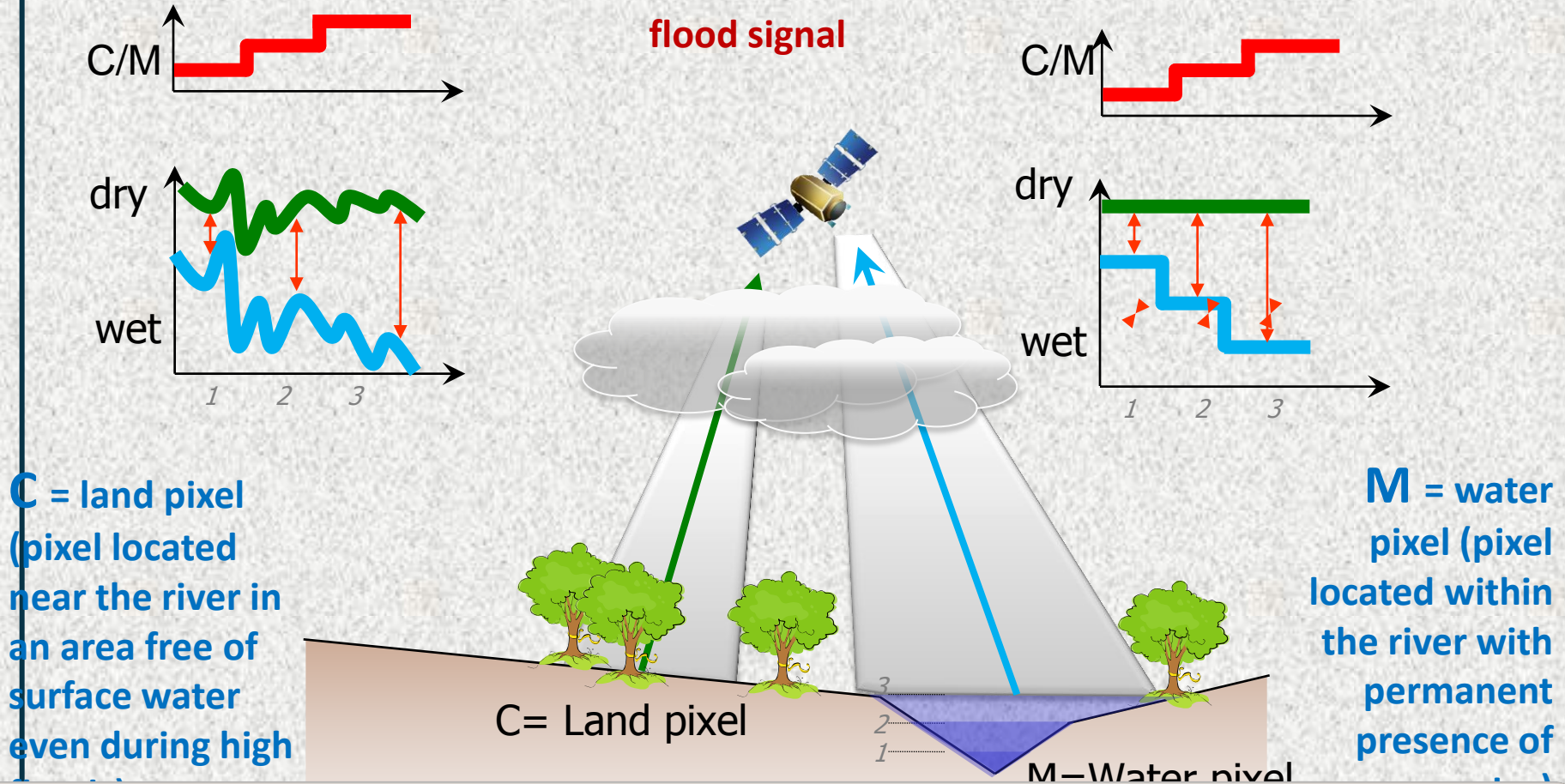
PO RIVER



Satellite	RCM				Pontelagoscuro			
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VS2 (ERS-2)	405	26.9	0.73	-12.1	834	55.3	-0.14	33.3
VS3 (ERS-2 and ENVISAT)	497	33.3	0.82	-25.8	670	44.9	0.66	20.6
VS3 (ERS-2)	526	31.2	0.82	-22.3	794	47.0	0.60	21.3
VS3 (ENVISAT)	467	35.7	0.80	-30.1	527	40.3	0.74	19.8



Flow velocity: estimation by using MODIS data



C/M increases with the presence of water and, hence, of discharge

PO RIVER BASIN

AQUA- MODIS Reflectance value of Channel 2
(10-Feb-2005 10:10)

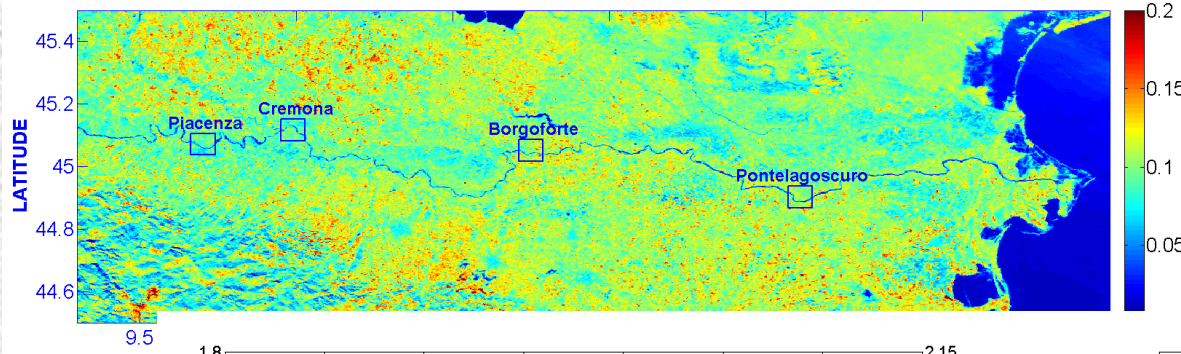
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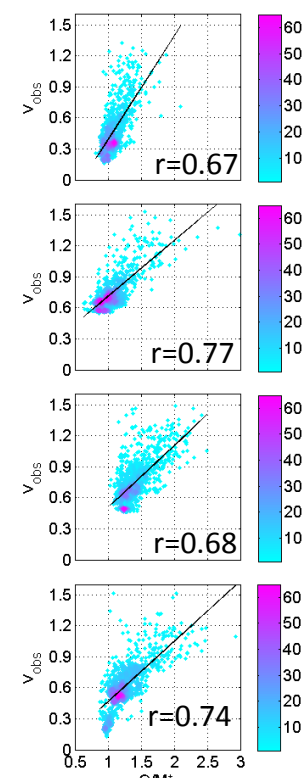
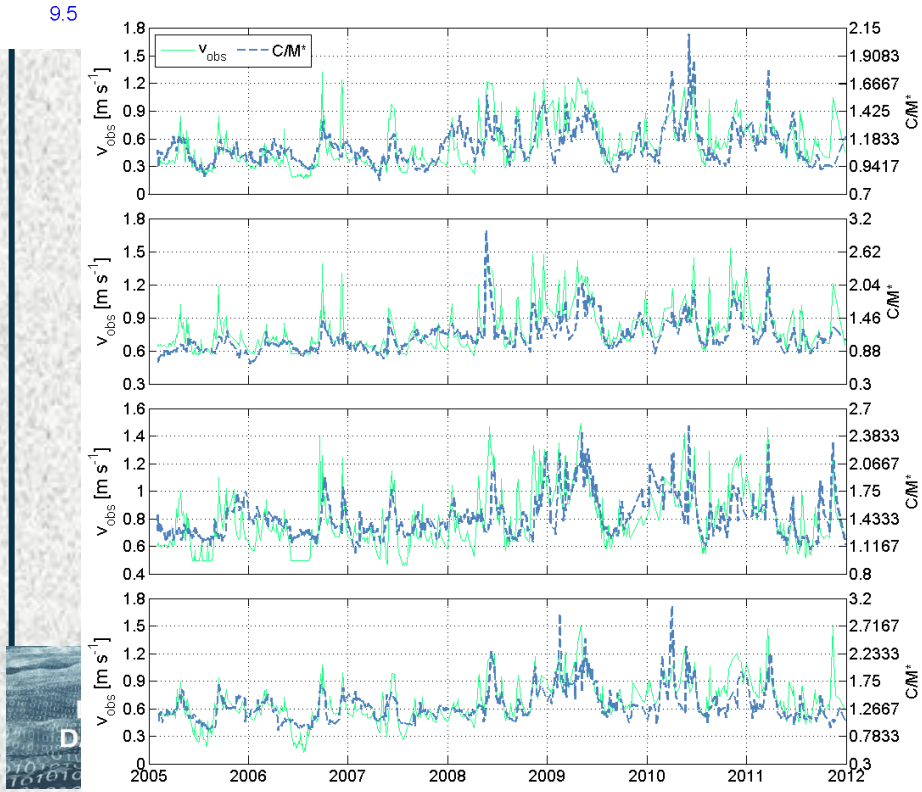
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Piacenza

Cremona

Borgoforte

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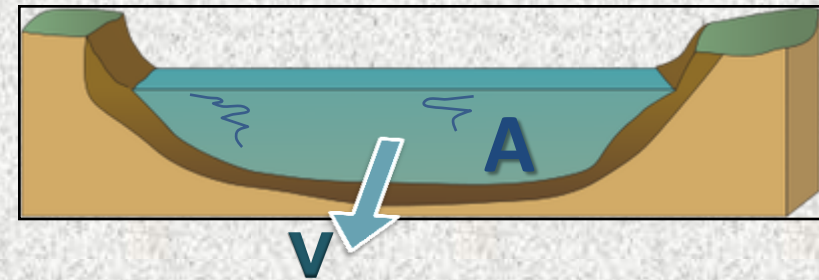
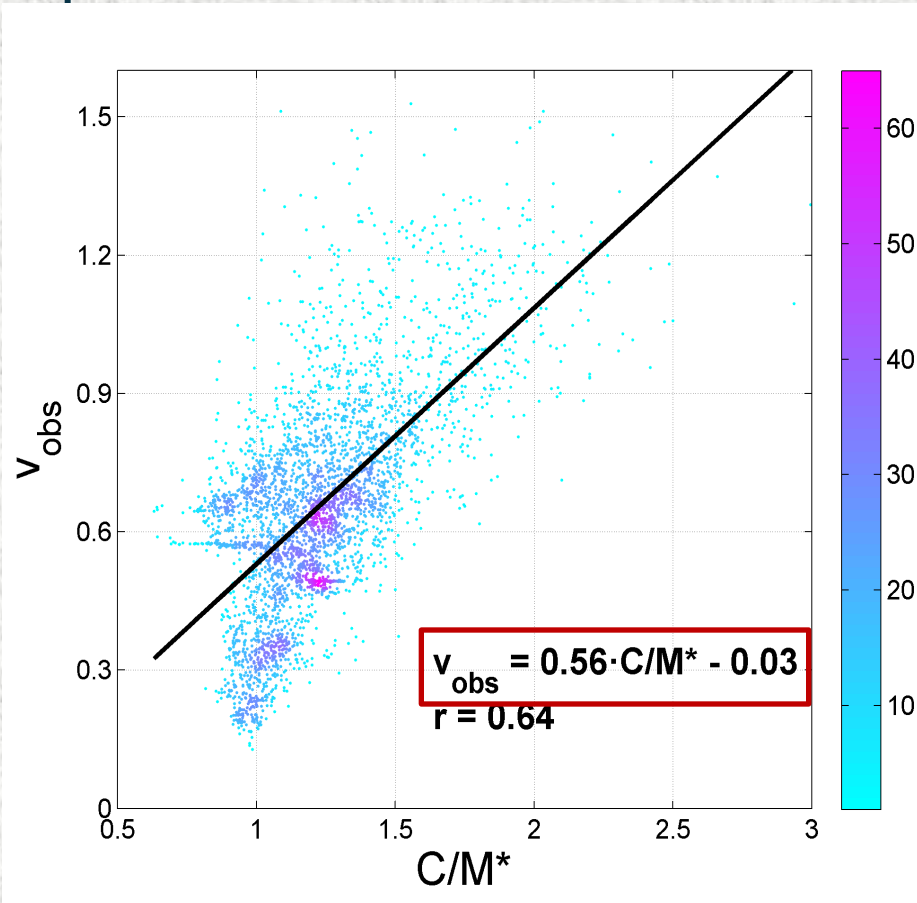
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Identification of a regional relationship between C/M^* and v

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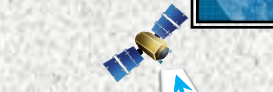
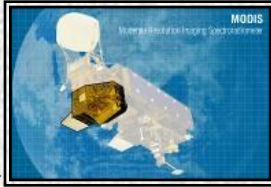
$$Q = v \cdot A$$

$$A = f(h)$$

- 1) h in-situ with actual river section
- 2) h altimetry with actual river section
- 3) h altimetry with Entropy river section

Remote sensing of river discharge

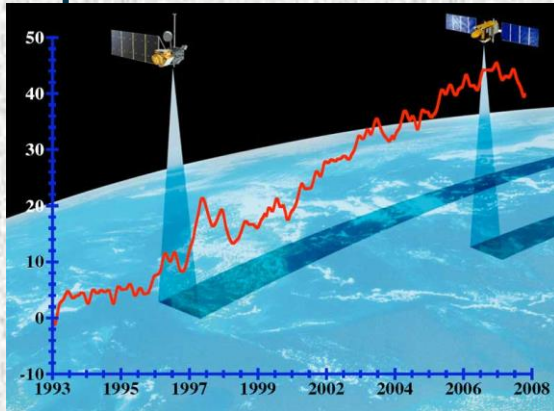
MODIS (MODerate resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer)



C Land pixel

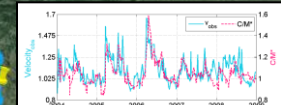
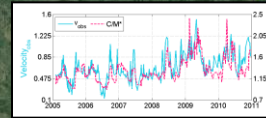
M Water pixel

Radar Altimetry



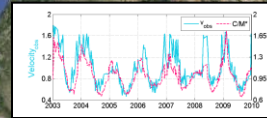
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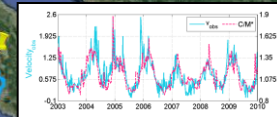


Danube - Donaujvaros

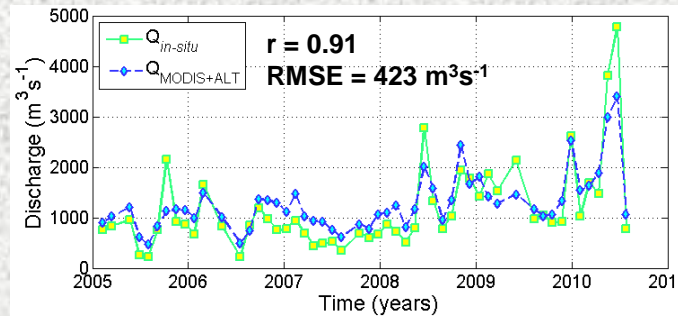
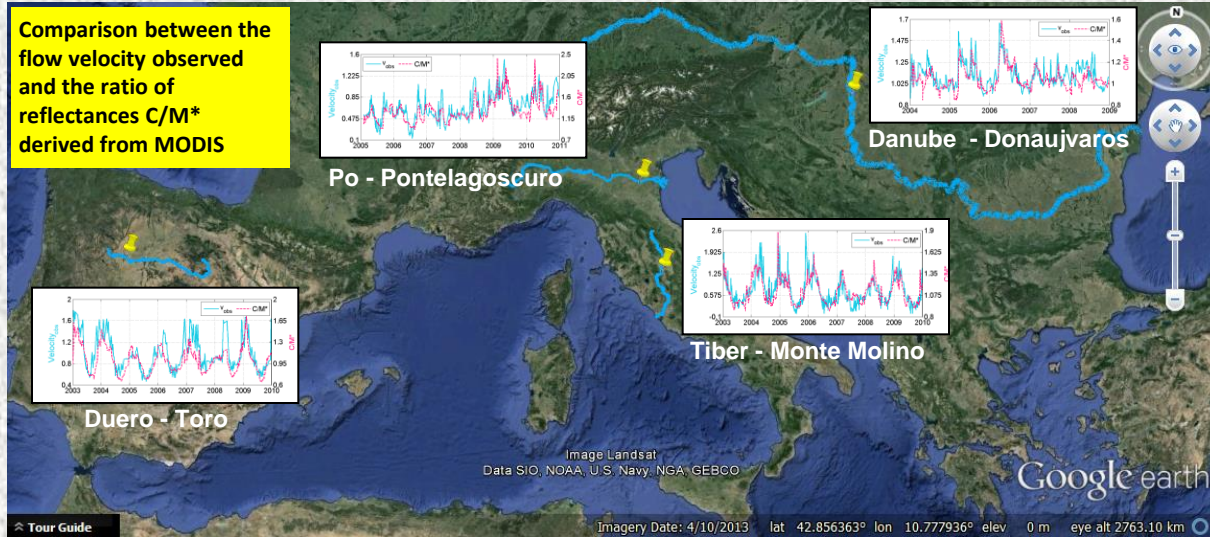
Po - Pontelagoscuro



Duero - Toro



Tiber - Monte Molino



Comparison between the discharge observed at Pontelagoscuro and the one derived by remote sensing.

The approach is tested in some European rivers and the agreement with the observed discharge is fairly satisfactory with errors of about 35%.

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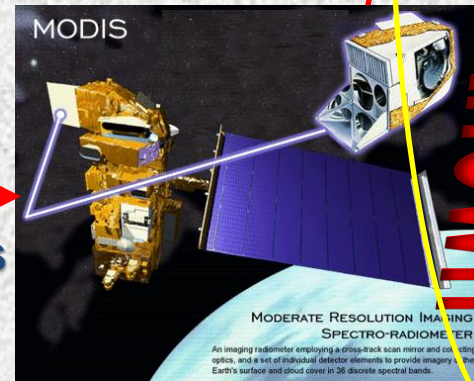
Ground Observations



DISCHARGE Estimation



Satellite Observations



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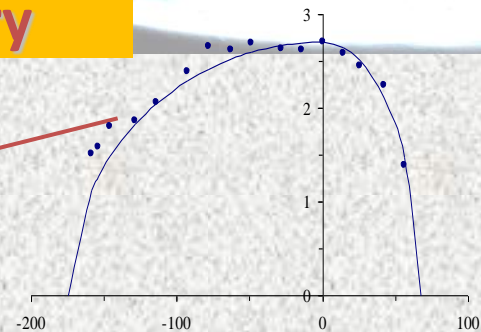
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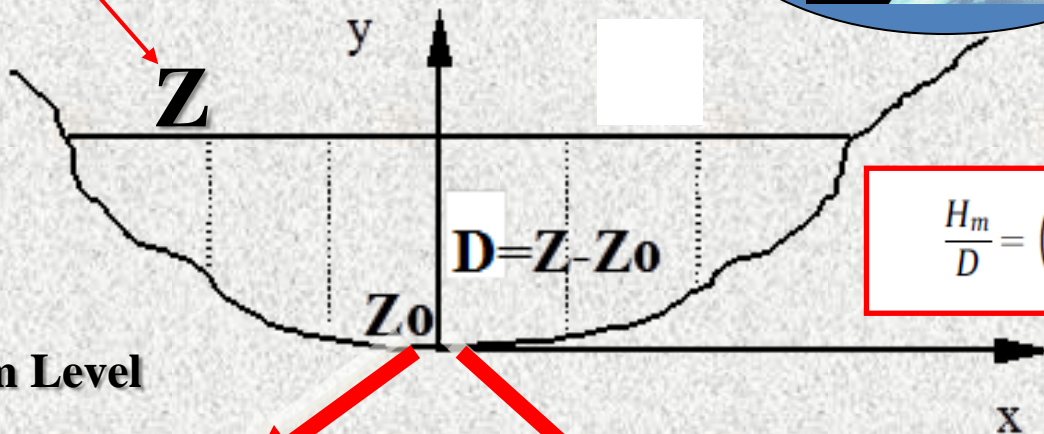
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— eq. (9)



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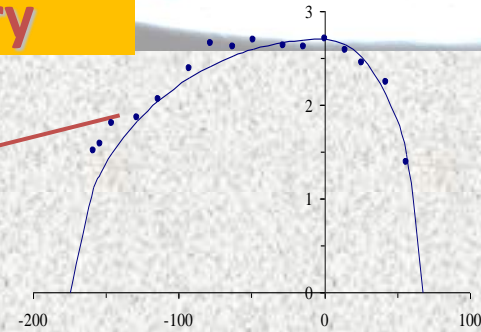
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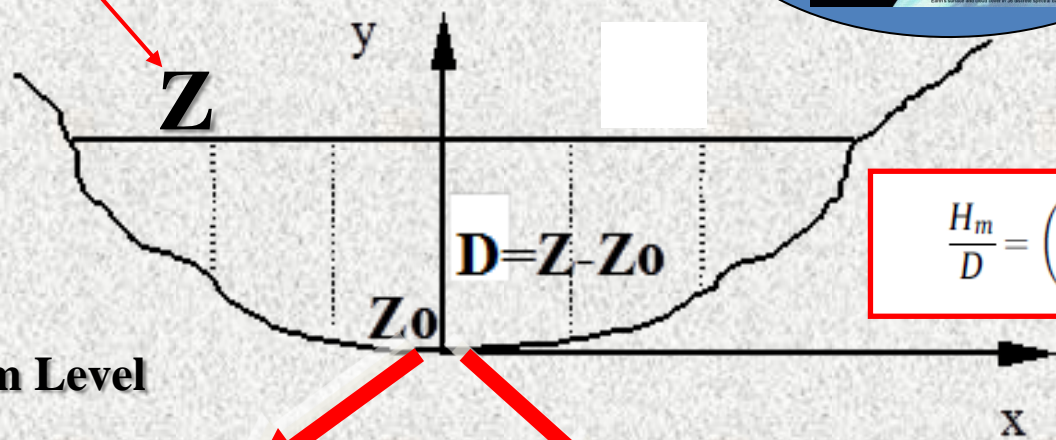
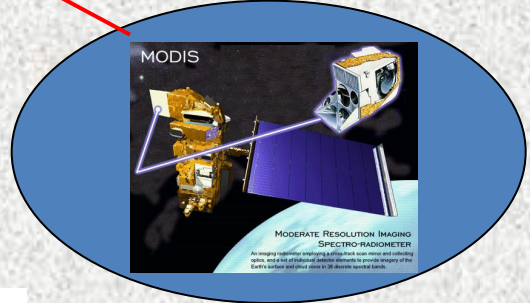
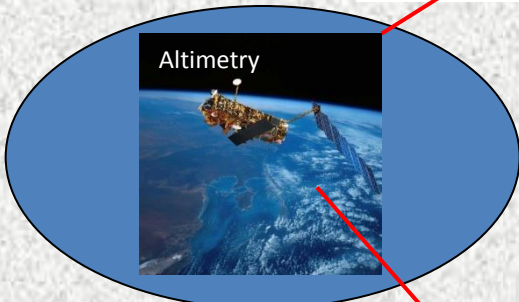
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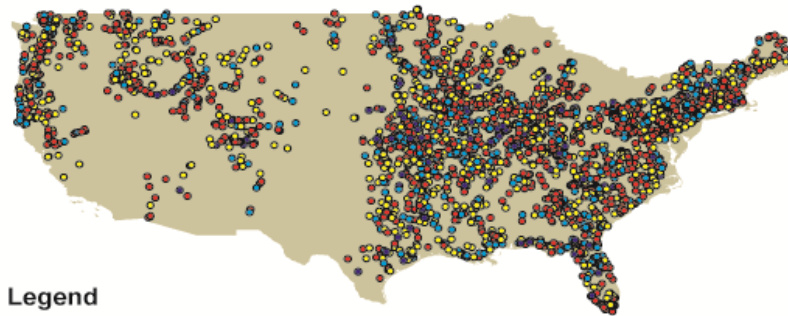
2) Z₀ Unknown

PERUGIA (Italy), January 28 – February 1, 2019 – Villa Colombella

SWOT Project (USGS – IRD(Fr) - IRPI – WS(Ca))

USGS Discharge Measurement Data

N = 17224	stream_wdth	xsec_area	mean_vel	max_vel	mean_depth	max_depth	meas_q	Ymax/Ymean	Vmax/Vmean	W/Ymean
MEAN	403.40	7083.58	2.41	6.19	9.18	13.76	23146.25	1.56	3.02	51.77
MAX	8580.00	340000.00	10.80	76.75	95.20	143.95	1435932.57	16.28	73.10	608.03
MIN	100.00	88.47	0.50	0.50	0.84	1.31	61.48	1.00	1.00	5.37
STDEV	511.64	21814.56	1.48	4.23	9.50	14.03	86793.35	0.33	2.76	42.89
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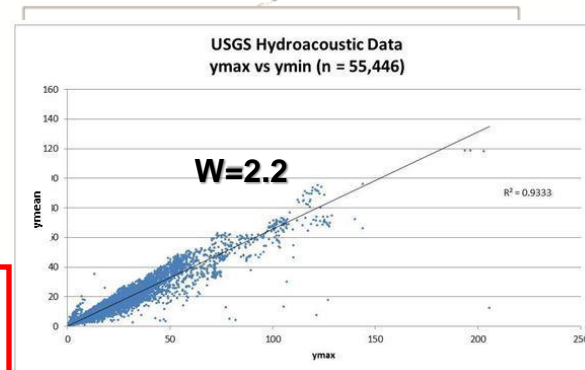


Legend

Hydraulic_data

Ymax_Ymean

- 1.016279 - 1.458861
- 1.458862 - 1.730392
- 1.730393 - 2.163364
- 2.163365 - 12.471074



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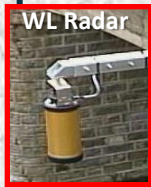
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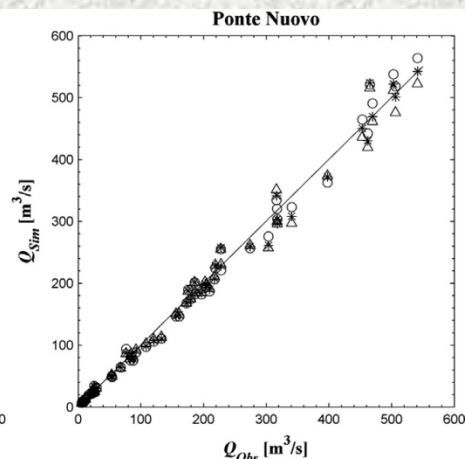
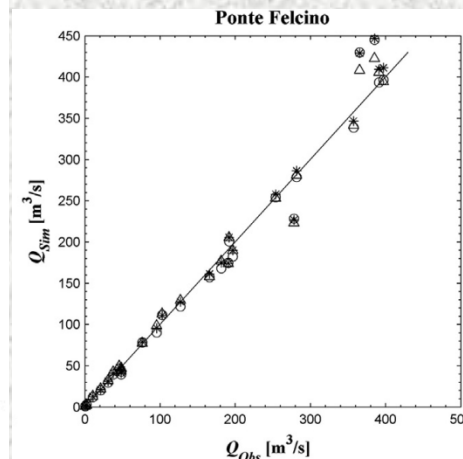
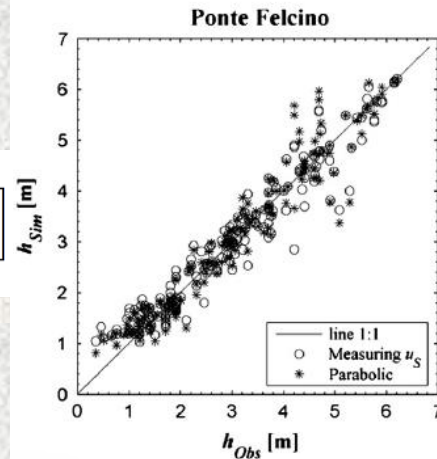
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Zo (Channel Bottom Level) - Known

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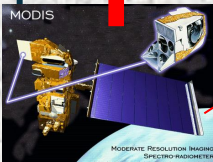
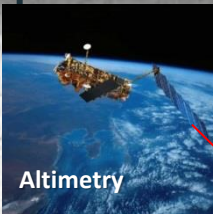
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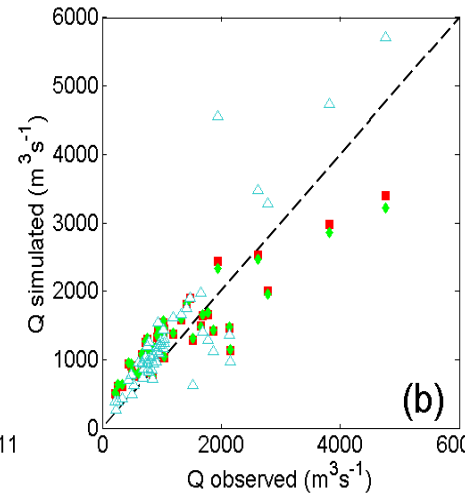
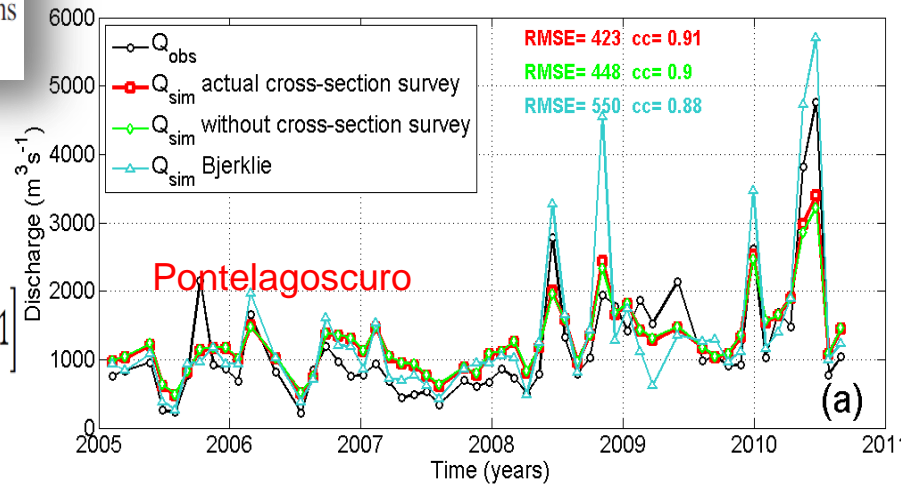
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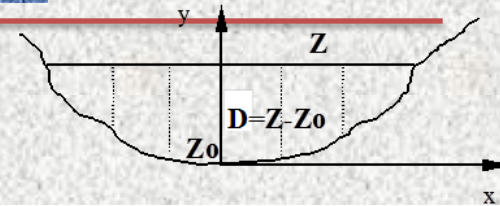
Satellite Observations



Winter School HYDROLOGY

Zo (Channel Bottom Level) - Unknown

Target: Estimate max flow depth, D



$$u_{\max|oss} = \frac{\sqrt{gD_m S_f}}{k} \ln\left(\frac{1}{\exp(-aD_m)}\right) = \frac{u_{oss}}{\Phi(M)}$$

(Moramarco and Singh, JHE, 2010)

Ground (Radar)

Modis

K (von Karman=0.41)
Φ(M) Entropy = 0.65

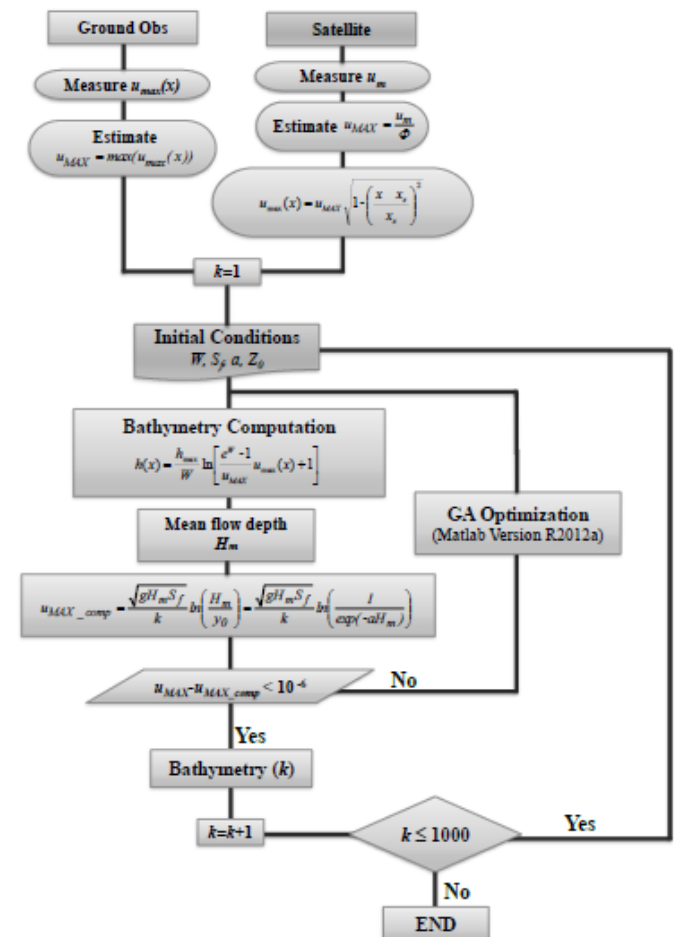
a: parameter. $y_0 = \exp(-aD_m)$: location $v=0$

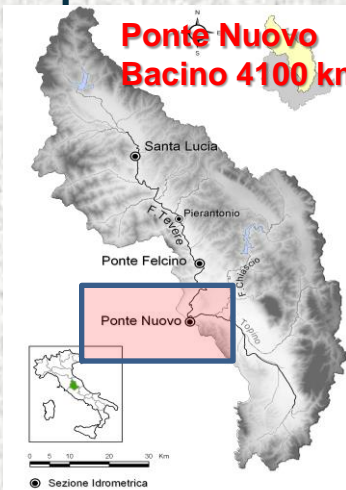
Sf: hydraulic gradient

Dm: Mean flow depth by Entropy law $F(W, Z_0)$

$$h(x) = \frac{D}{W} \ln\left[\frac{e^W - 1}{u_{\max} S} u_s(x) + 1\right]$$

Parameter Estimation (a, Sf, W, Zo)
GA solver (Matlab Ver 2012a)





8 velocity measurements

Ponte Nuovo

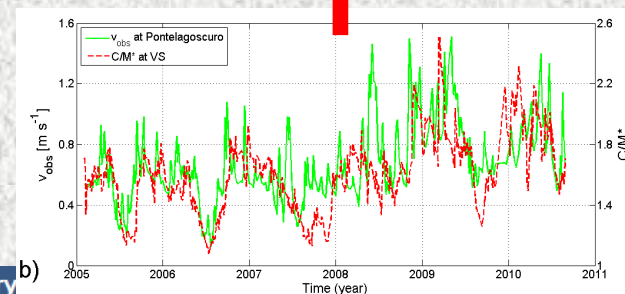
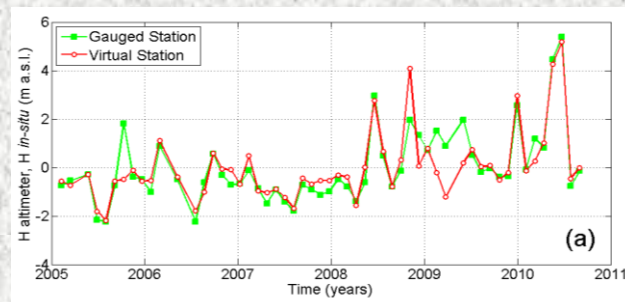
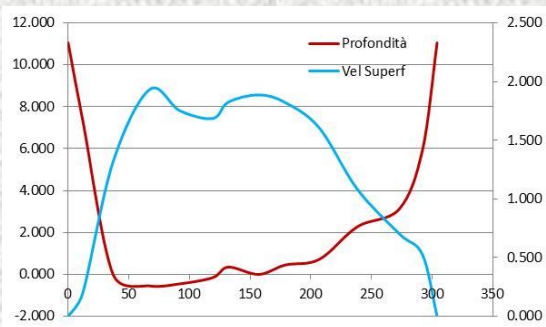
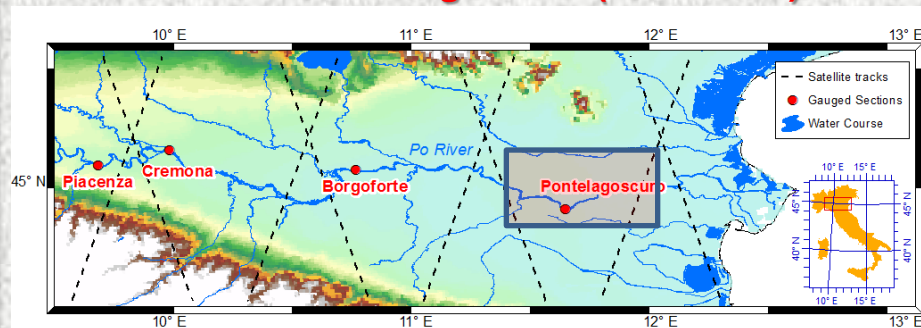
7 velocity measurements

Pontelagoscuro

Zo Unknown

MODIS 2002-2010
Envisat 2002-2010

Pontelagoscuro (70000 km²)



Range of parameters

$W=2.1$ (USGS) Pnuovo e Pontelagoscuro

$1.2 < W_{ini} = 7.5 < 15$ Pnuovo e Pontelagoscuro

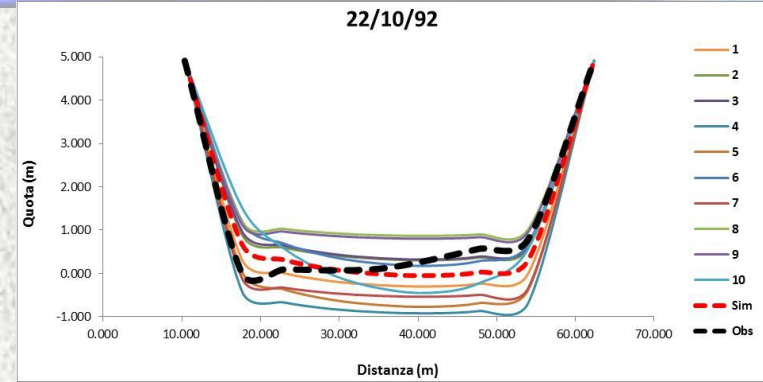
$0.001 < S_{fini} = 2 \times 10^{-3} < 0.003$ Pnuovo

$0.0001 < S_{fini} = 2 \times 10^{-4} < 0.0003$ Pontelagoscuro

$0.5 < a(yo)_{ini} = 0.75 < 1$ Pnuovo e Pontelagoscuro

$-10 < Z0_{ini} = H_{alt}/2 < H_{alt} - 1$ Pnuovo e Pontelagoscuro

Sensitivity to Initial Conditions 10 random realizations – Average Cross-Section

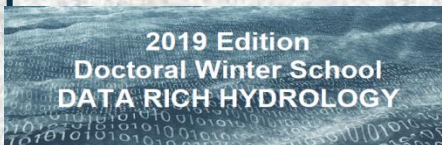
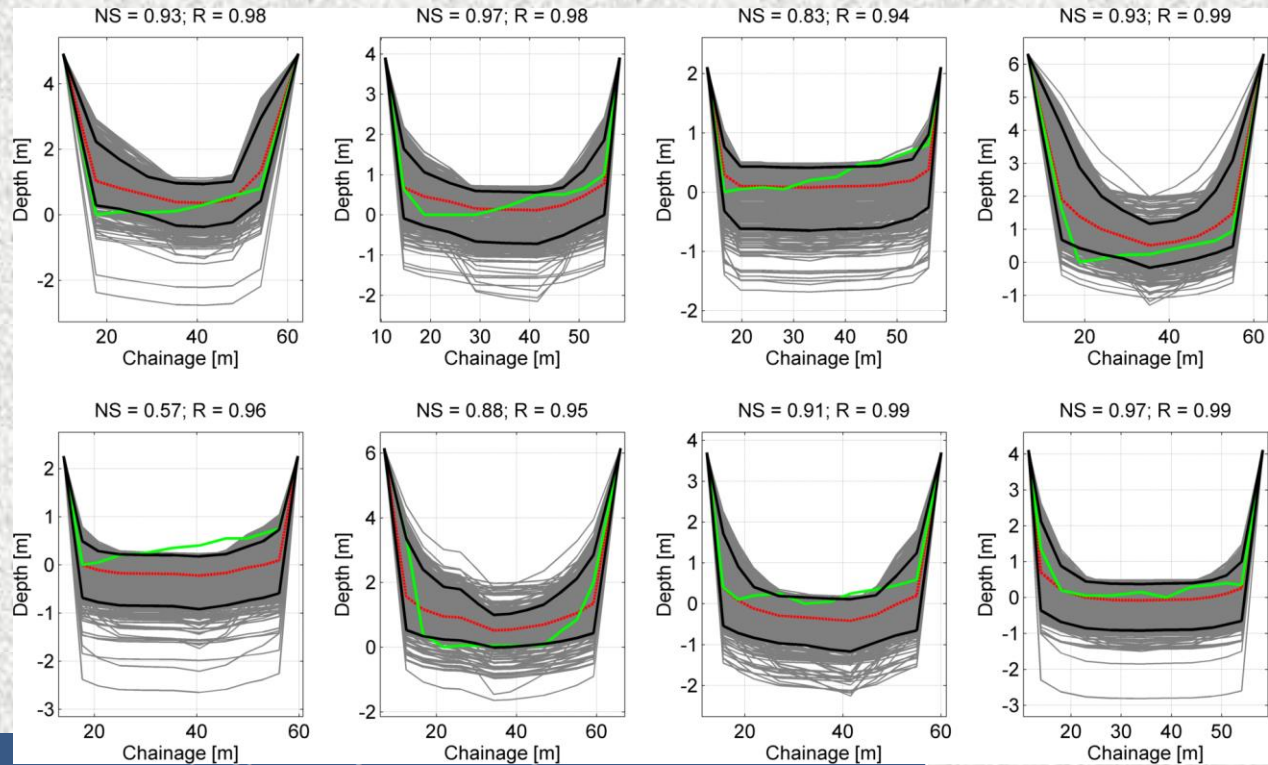


Field Data

RESULTS
1000 realizations

Ponte Nuovo

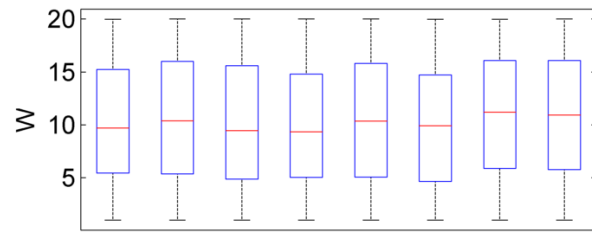
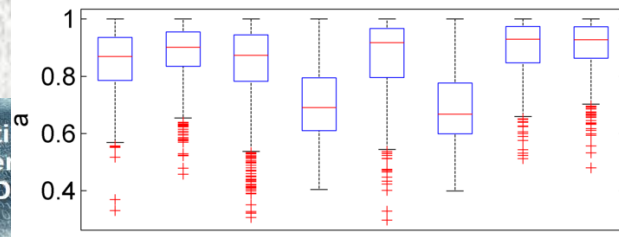
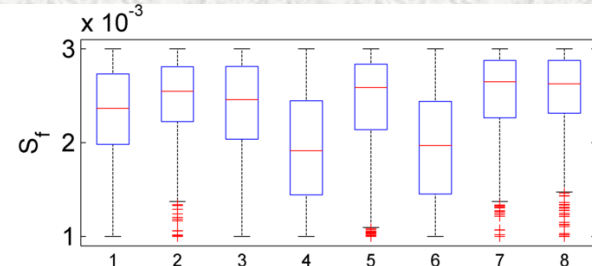
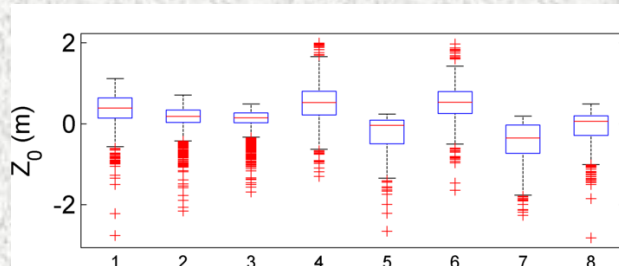
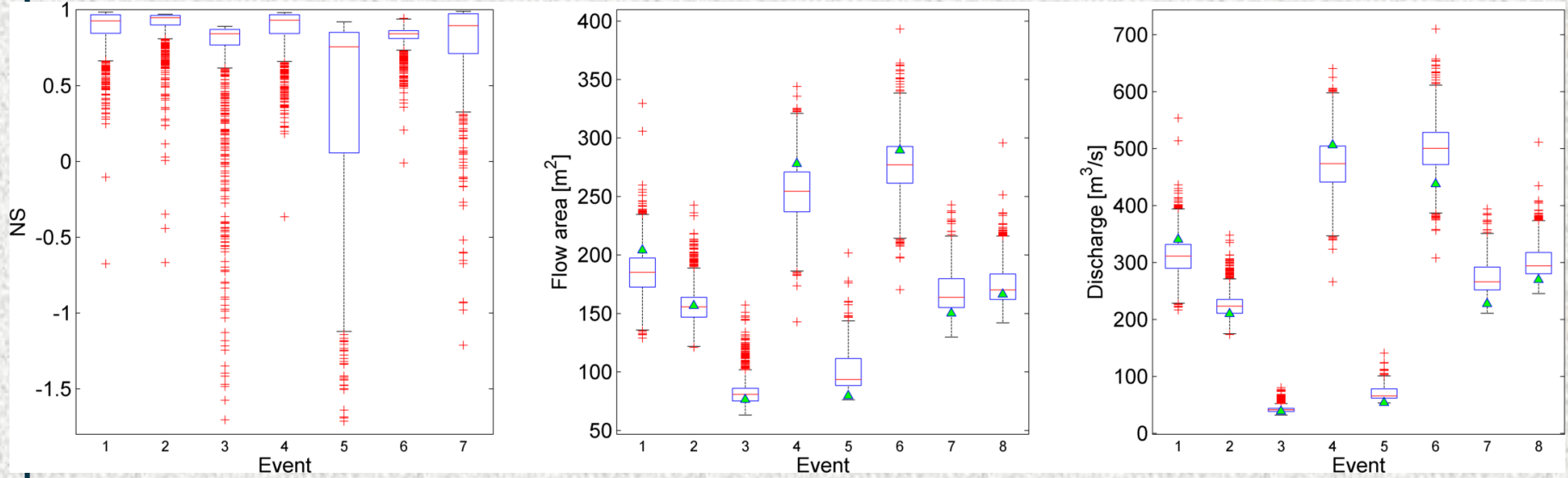
$V_{sup-obs}$;



RESULTS (Field Data)

1000 realizations

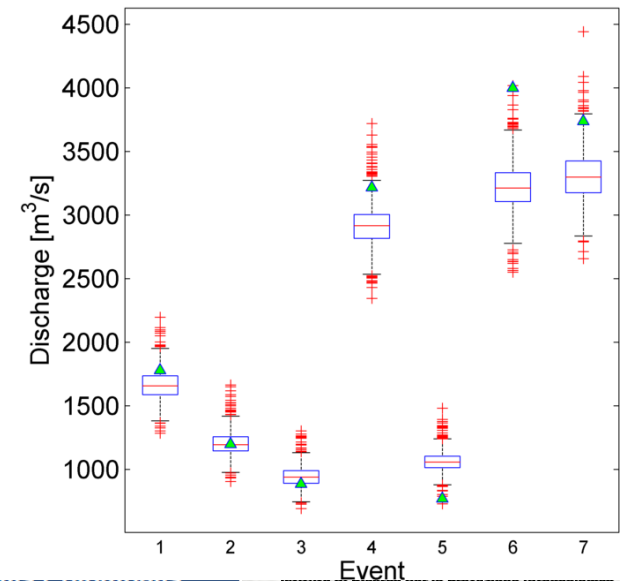
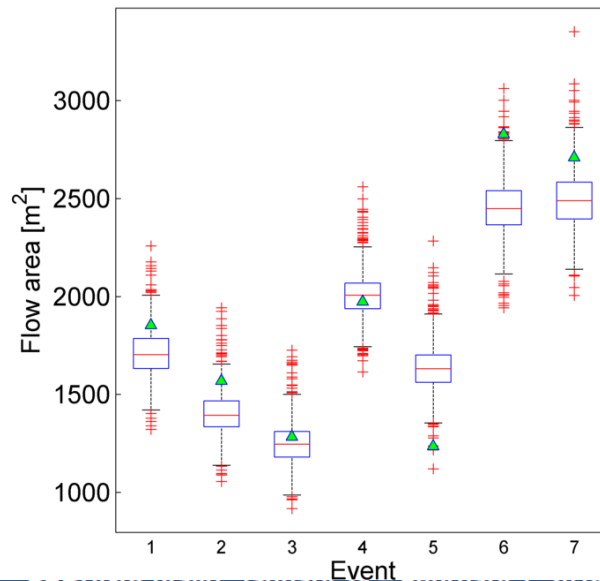
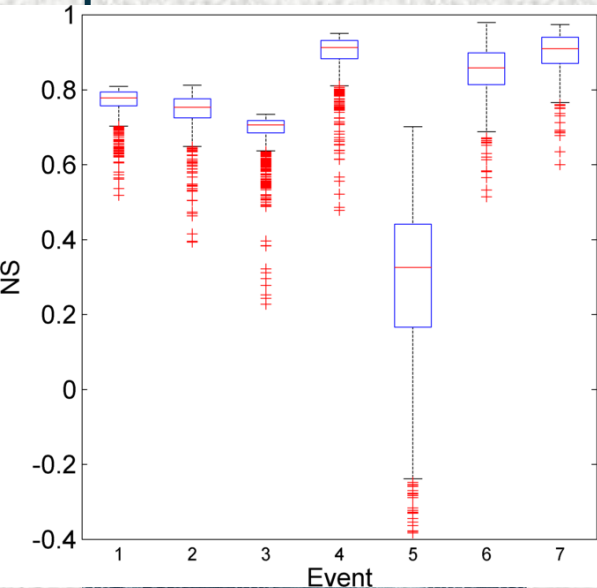
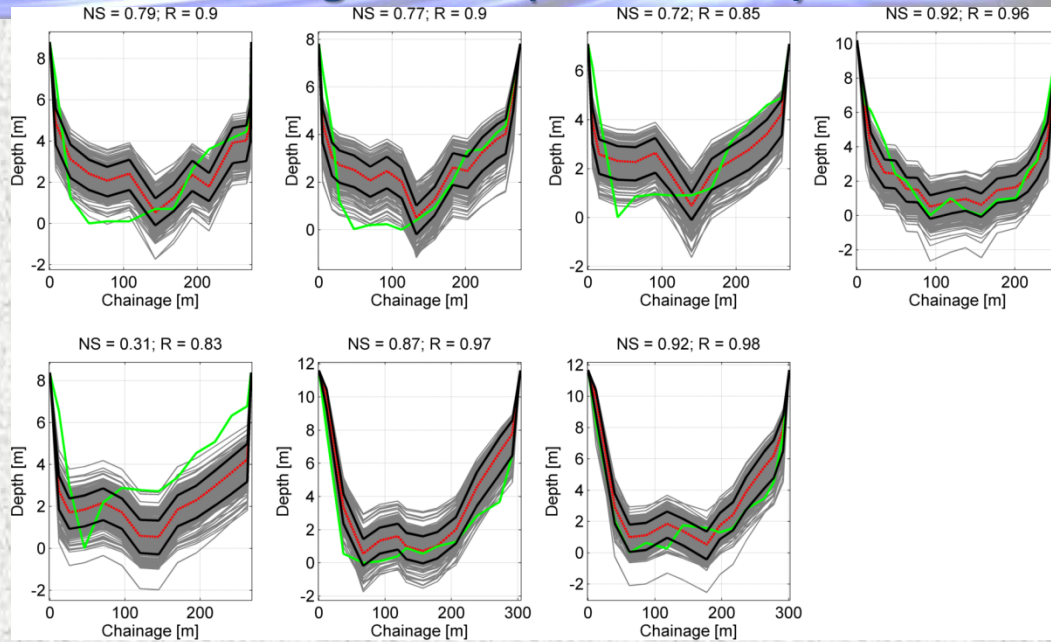
Ponte Nuovo (4100 km²)



RESULTS (Field Data)

1000 realizations

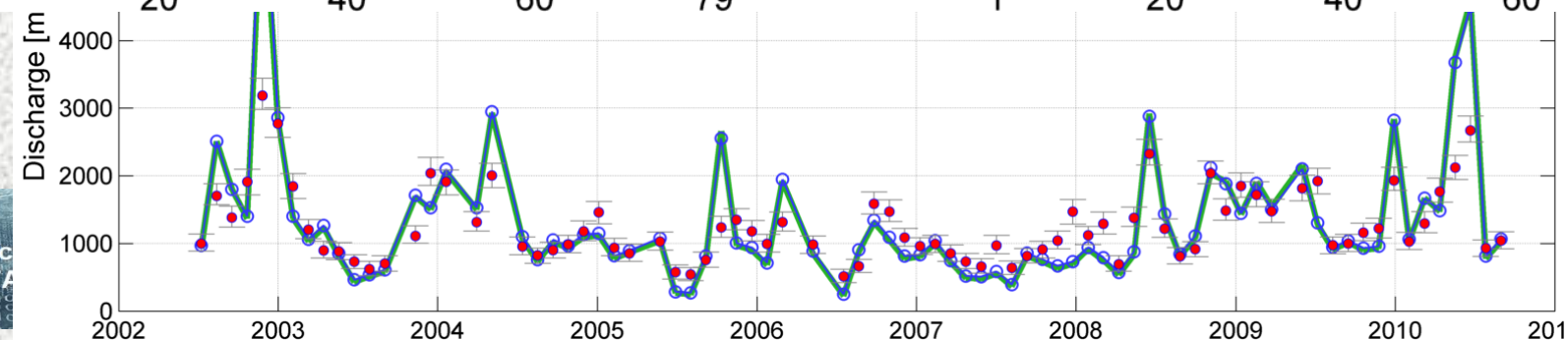
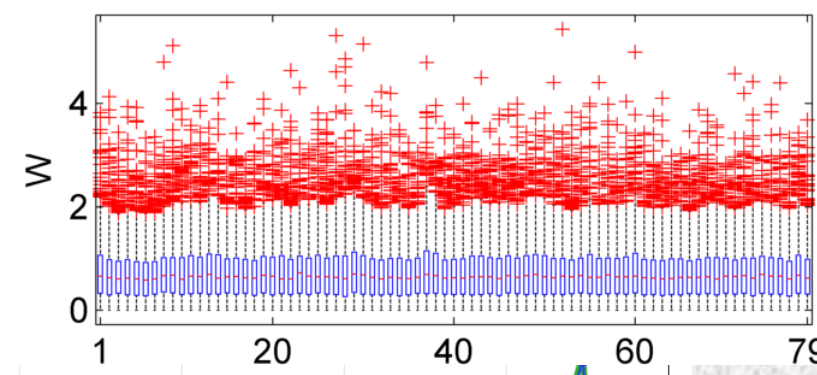
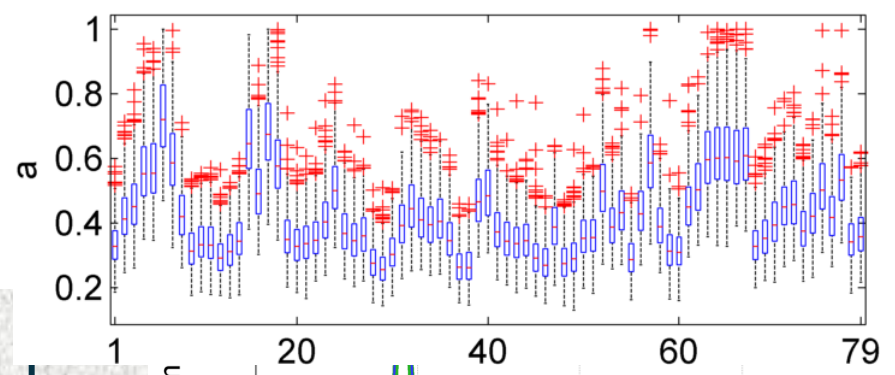
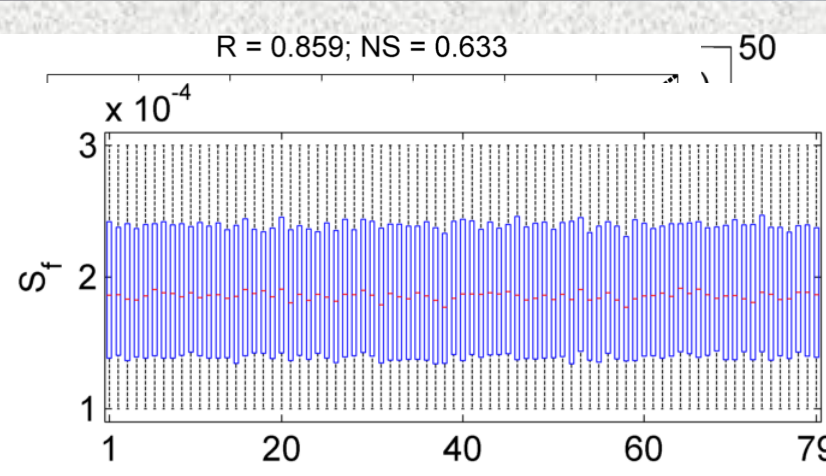
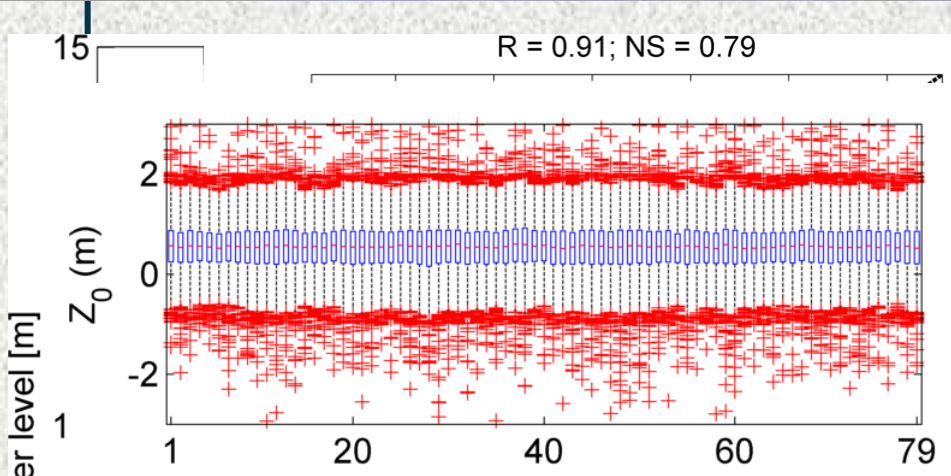
Pontelagoscuro (70000 km²)



RESULTS (Satellite Observations)

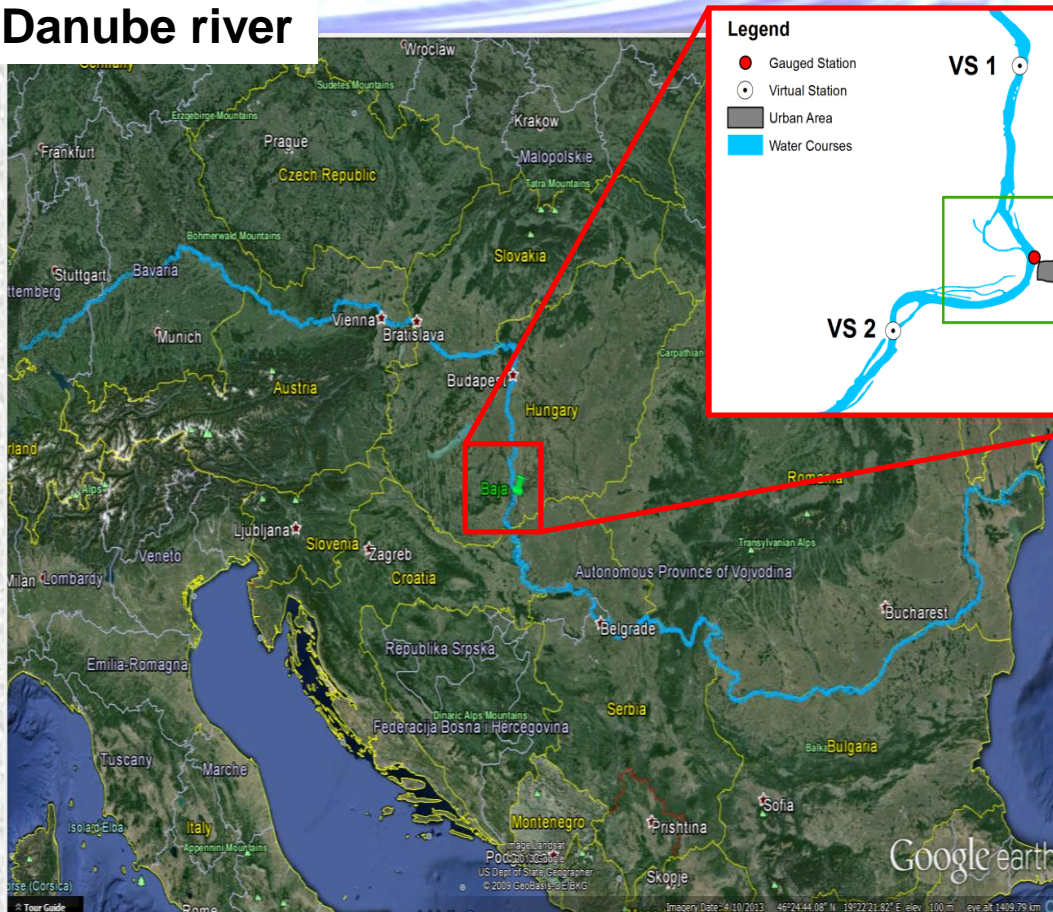
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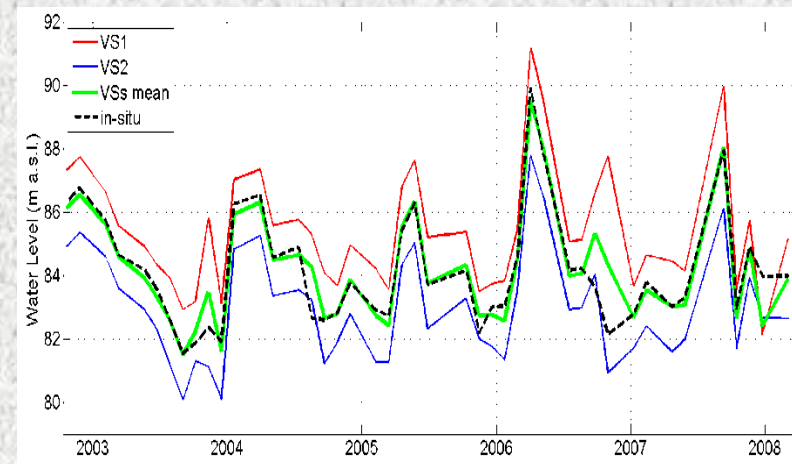
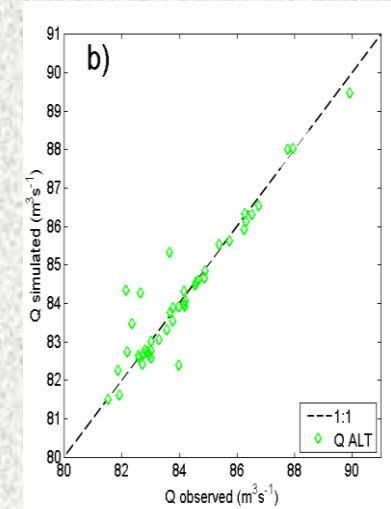


MODIS + Altimeter

Danube river



$r=0.94$
 $R^2=0.89$
 $NS=0.88$



SENSORS

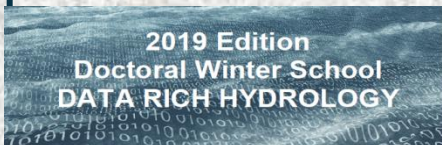
Altimeter

Passive microwave/optical

APPROACHES

Rating curve

Hydraulic models



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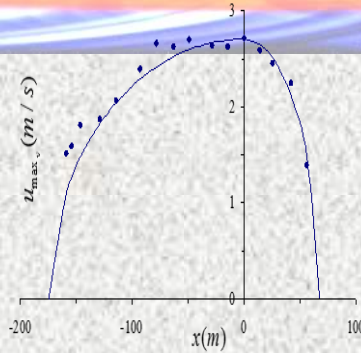


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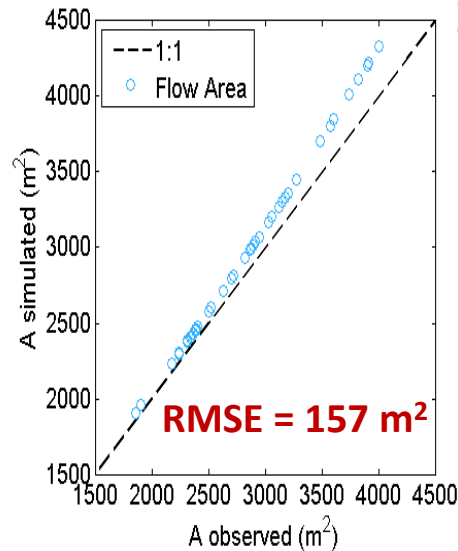
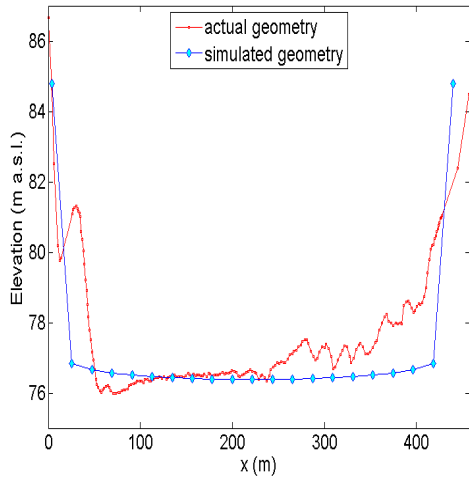
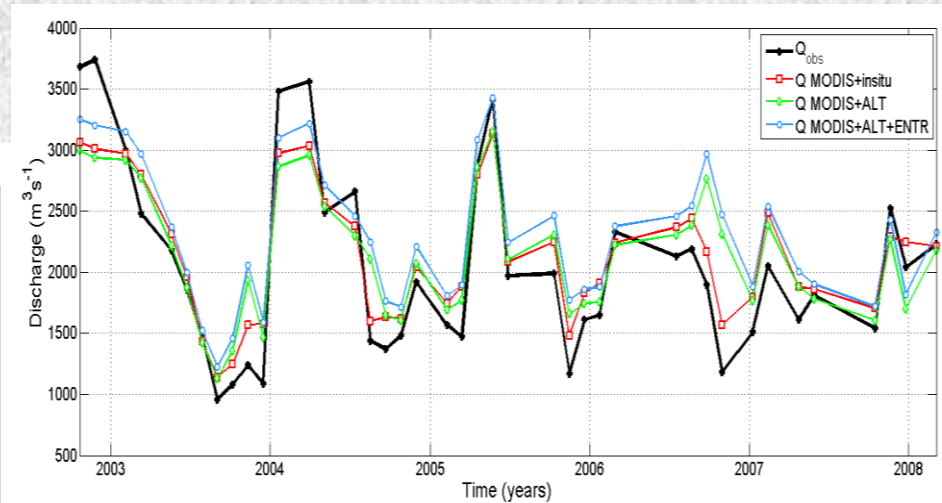
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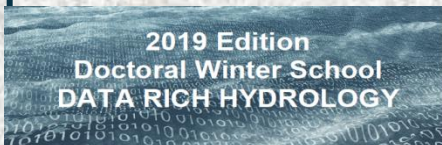
In the case of unknown geometry the entropy model for bathymetry (Moramarco et al., 2013, JoH) can be used.



Qsim (MODIS + altimetry) vs Qobs (Baja)



Q errors	RMSE ($m^3 s^{-1}$)	r
$Q_{MODIS+insitu}$	296	0.96
$Q_{MODIS+ALT+Bathymetry}$	397	0.88
Survey		
$Q_{MODIS+ALT+ENTR}$	441	0.88



Conclusions

- The entropy theory may be conveniently adopted to estimate discharge at river site by leveraging ground and satellite observations in terms of stage and maximum surface velocity
- The analysis has shown the potential of entropy model to estimating the discharge in river sites even in absence of bathymetry
- The capability of Radiometers (MODIS, MERIS) to estimate mean flow velocity can be employed together with Altimeter for discharge assessment. These aspects may be of particular interest for Sentinel 3 and SWOT missions for which significant improvements are expected in terms of vertical accuracy and spatial and temporal resolution.



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