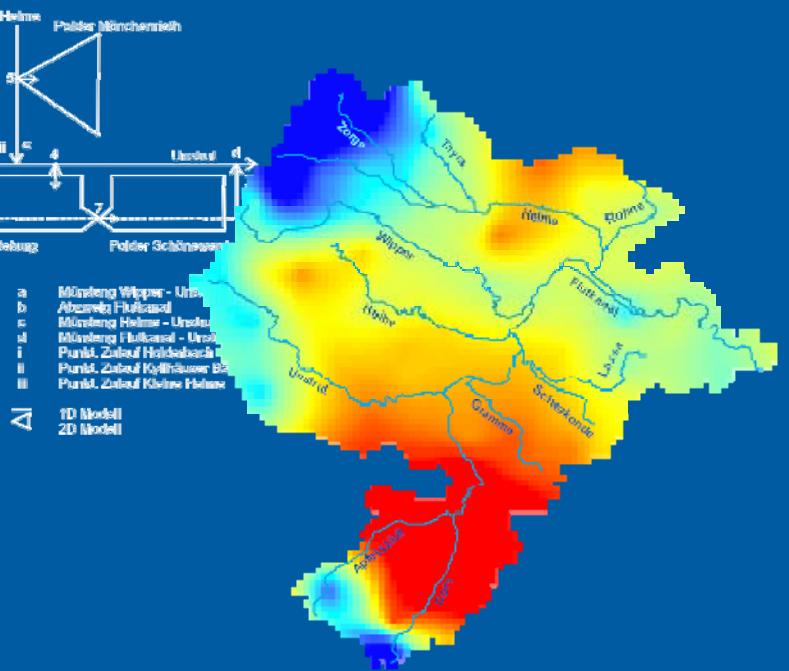


Assessment and Optimization of Flood Control Systems: The Unstrut River Case Study



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Flood damage in Germany

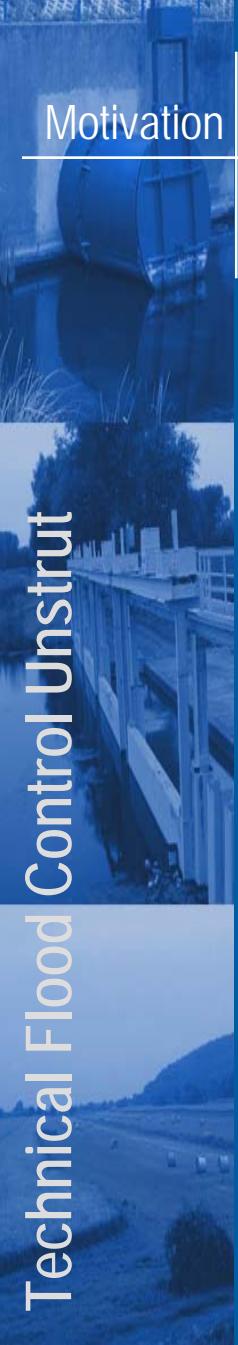
Top five most costly flood events from 1990 to 2002

Rank	Month/Year	Most affected river basins	Economic damage [Mio. €]	Insured damage [Mio. €]	Death toll
1	08/2002	Elbe, Danube	9200	1800	21
2	12/1993	Rhine	530	160	n/a
3	05/1999	Danube, Rhine	412	66	n/a
4	07/1997	Oder	330	32	n/a
5	01/1995	Rhine	280	110	n/a

(Source: Kron, 2004)



River Elbe flood,
August 2002,
Dresden



Motivation

Safety or Risk-Oriented Approach ?

Safety-Oriented Approach

Choice of design flood Q_{design}
(e. g. 100 year flood)



Design
Technical flood control fully
functional for $Q \leq Q_{\text{design}}$



Assumption: No risk of
failure for $Q \leq Q_{\text{design}}$ and
negligible beyond Q_{design}

Risk-Oriented Approach

100 % safety can not be
achieved by technical means



Risk of failure
Hydrological Risk
Operational/Technical Risk



Risk Management required

Motivation

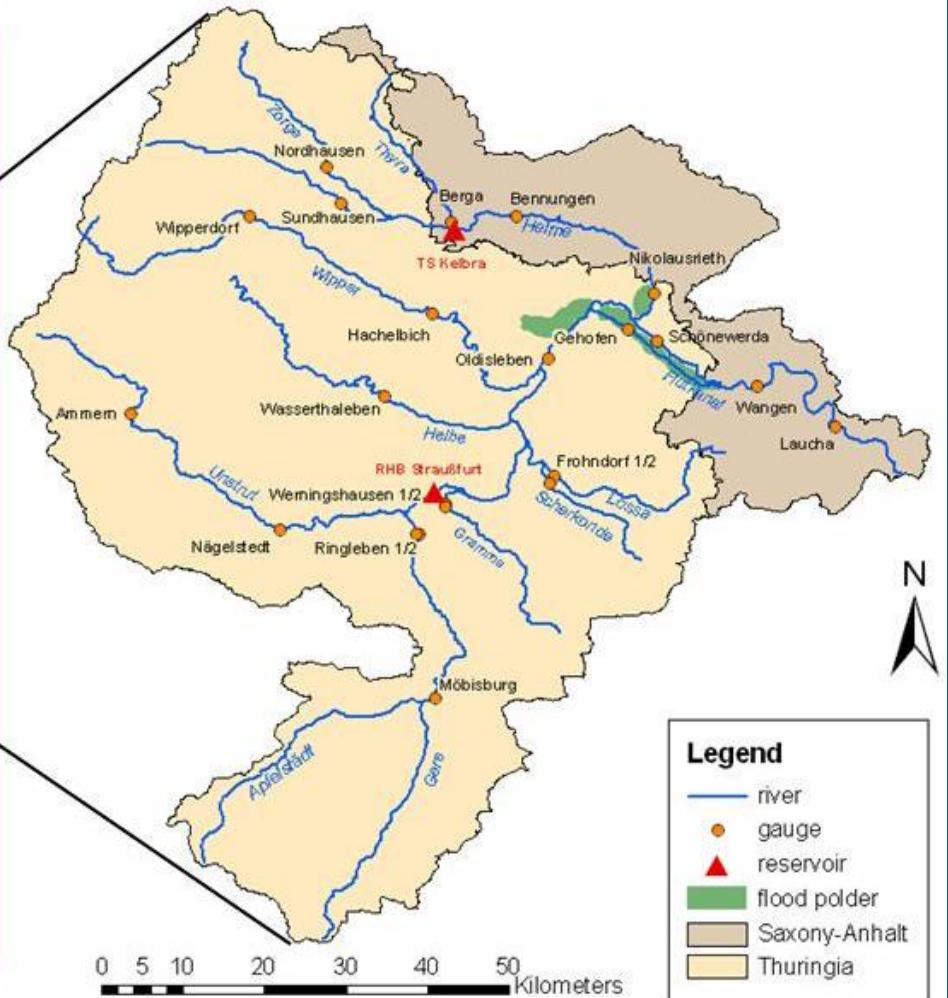
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Considering Mesoscale Catchments

Germany



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Flood Risk – Flood Protection



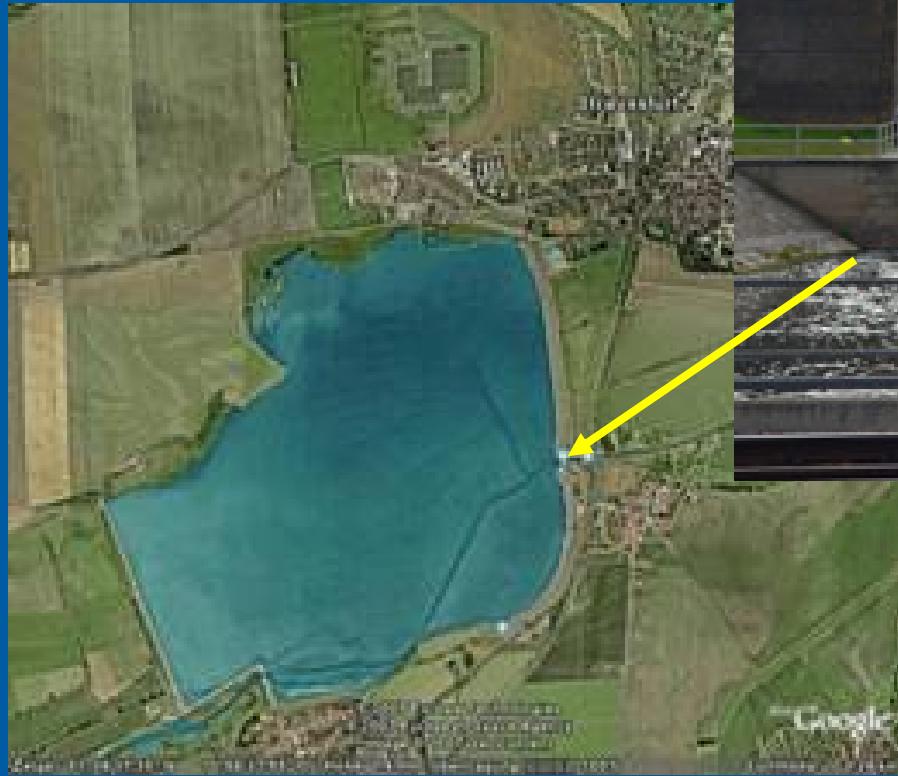
→ Thorough assessment requires a broad range of hydrological loads

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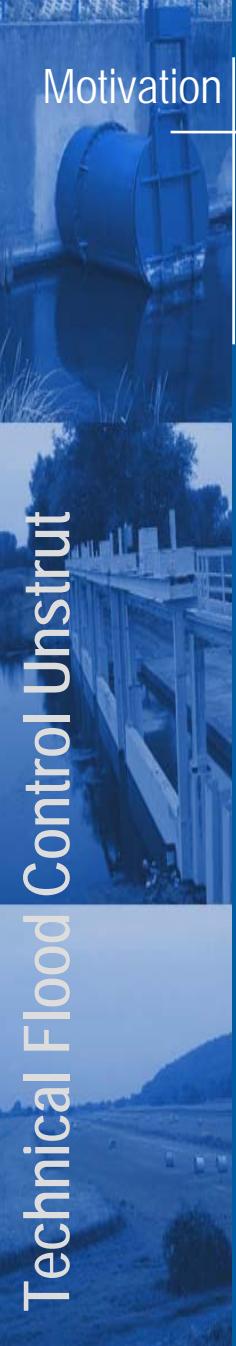


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Altering the flow regime:
Building a new dam



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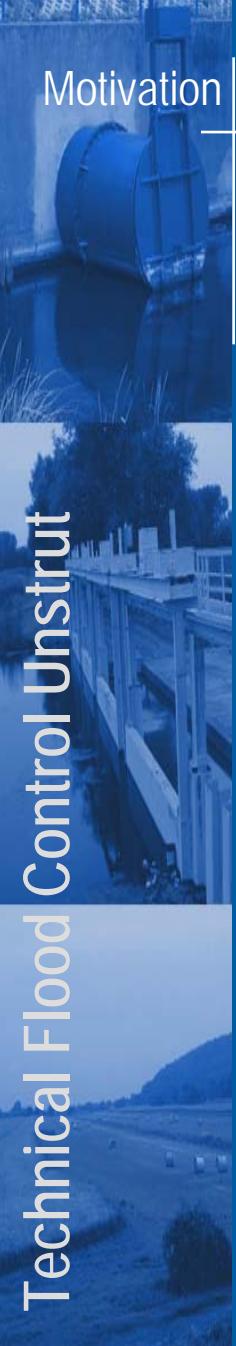
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Alteration of the River Bed – Example 1



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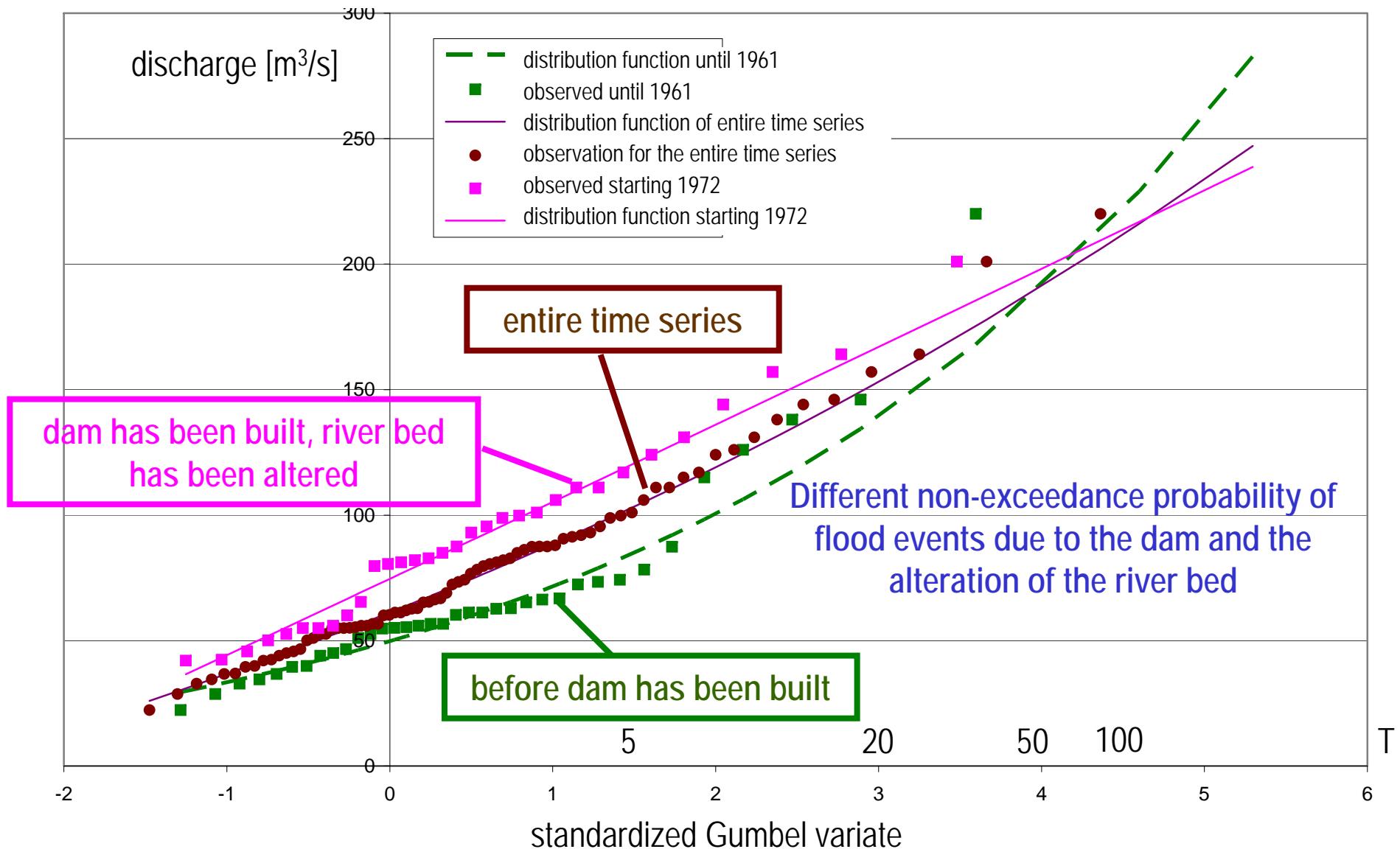
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Alteration of the River Bed – Example 2



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Gauge Oldisleben: Distribution function of annual discharge maxima before 1961 (dam has been built), after 1972 (river bed has been altered) and the entire time series



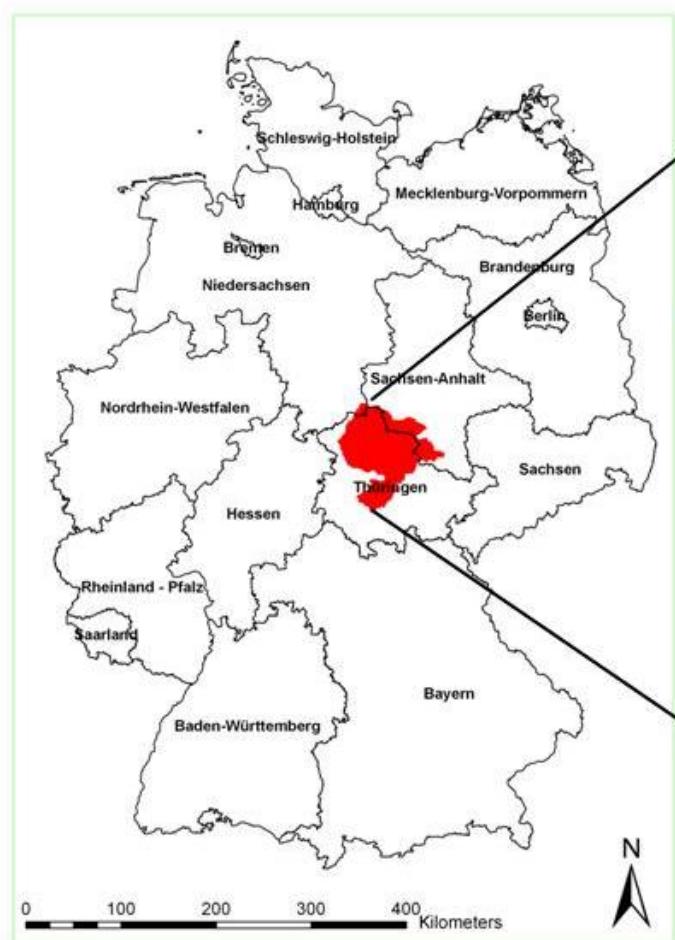
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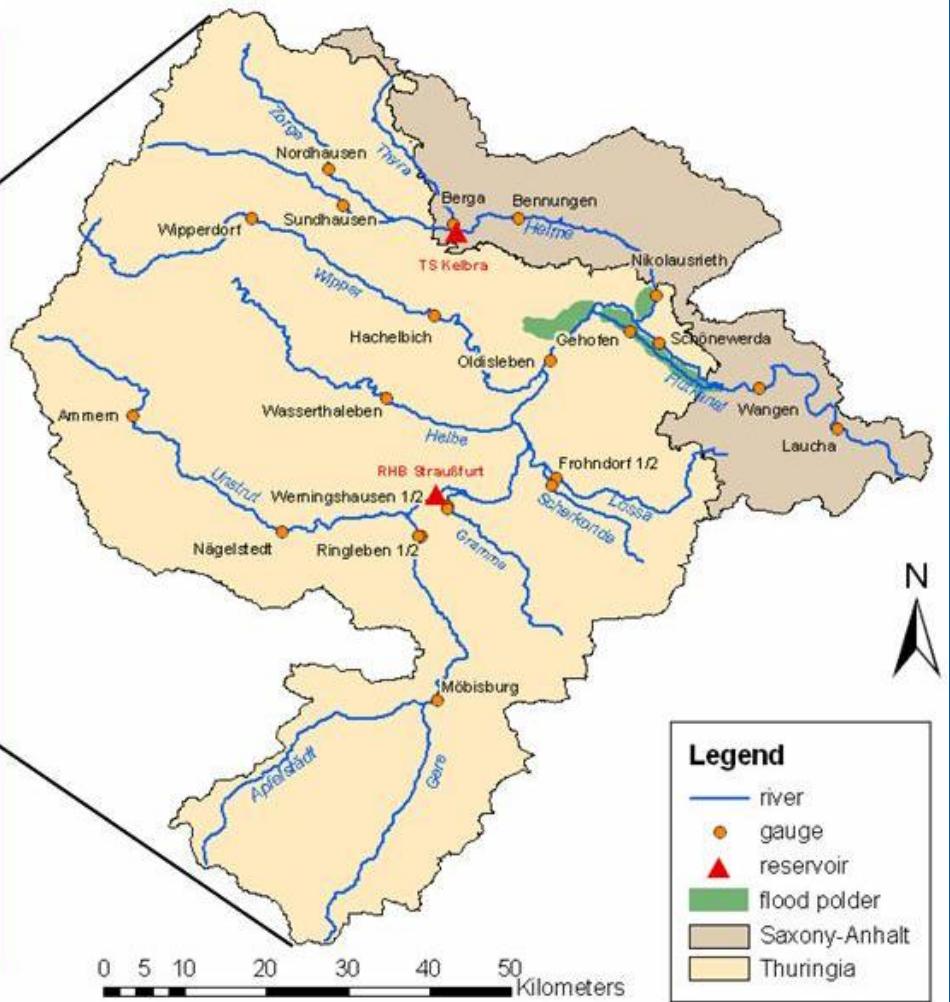
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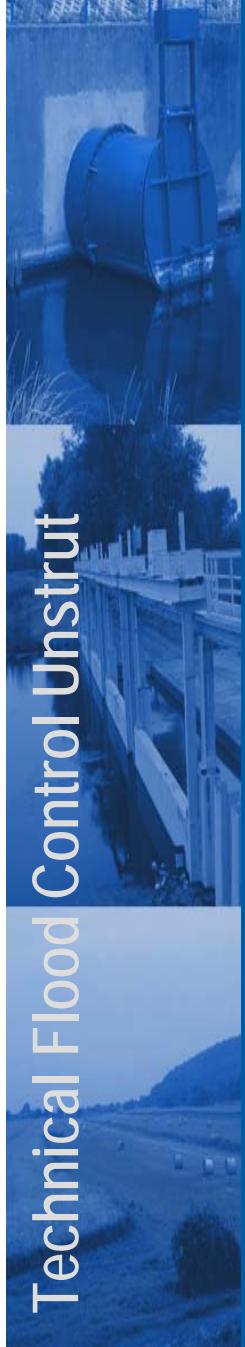
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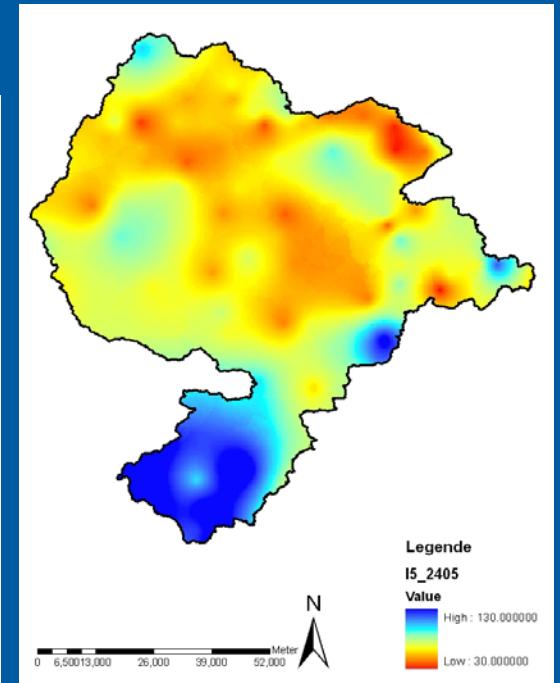
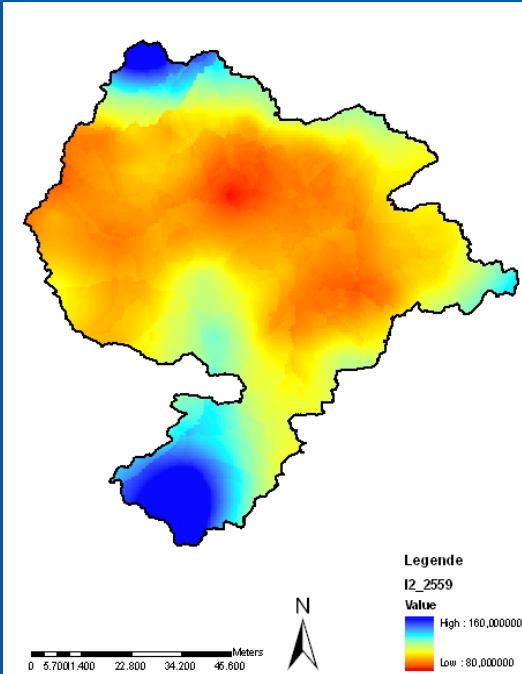
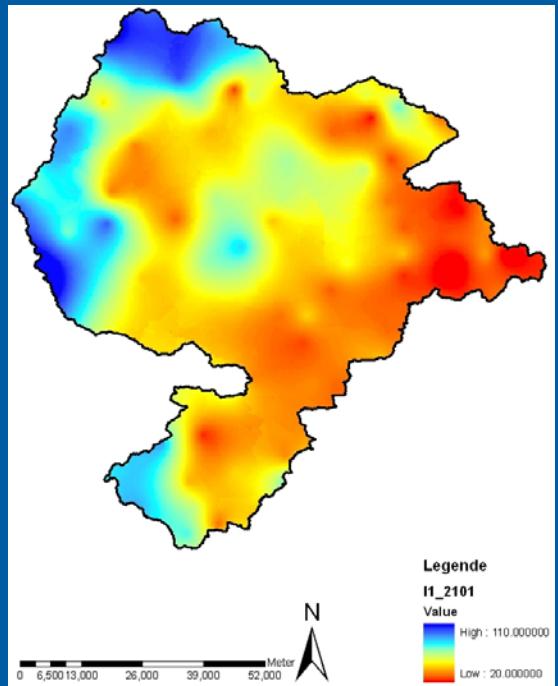


Unstrut Catchment in Thuringia and Saxony-Anhalt





Spatial and Temporal Rainfall Distribution



- Has major impact on the development of individual flood events
- Drives the interaction of subcatchments
- Needs to be considered when assessing the efficiency of technical flood control systems

Goal of using technical measures

To reduce the discharge to a level that does not cause any damage downstream or to at least reduce the damage caused by flooding

discharge

time

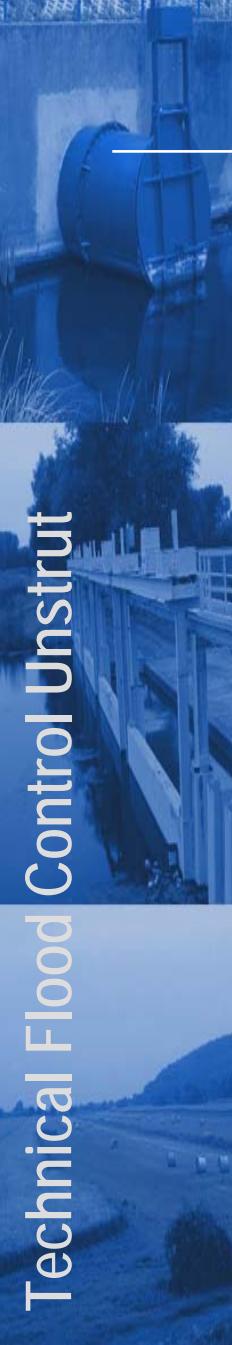




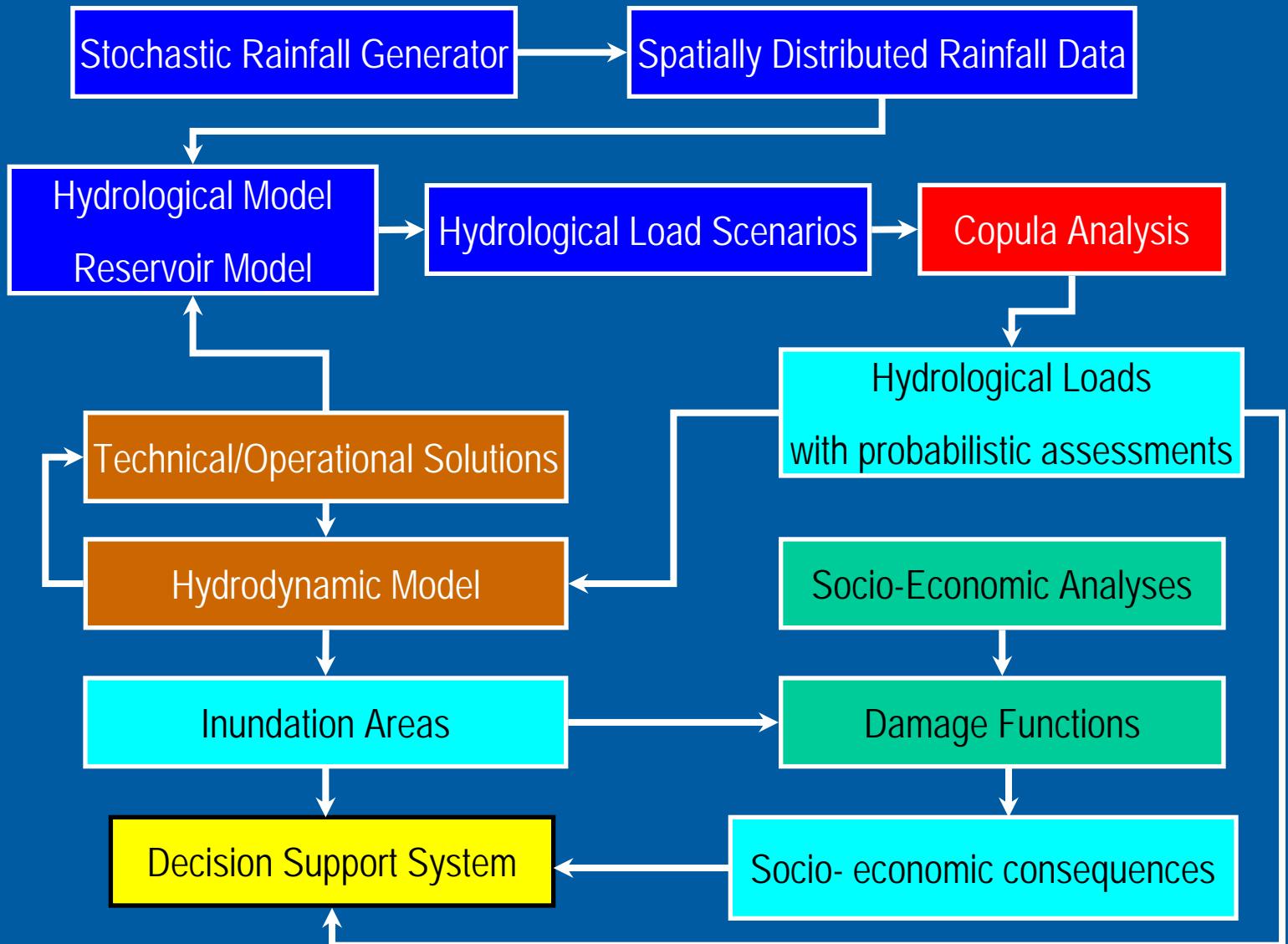
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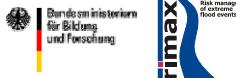
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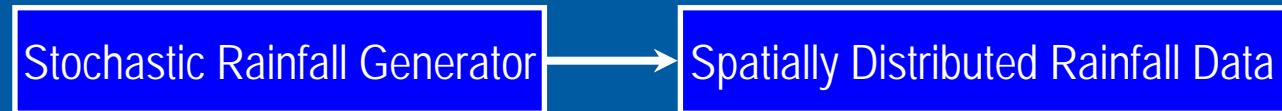
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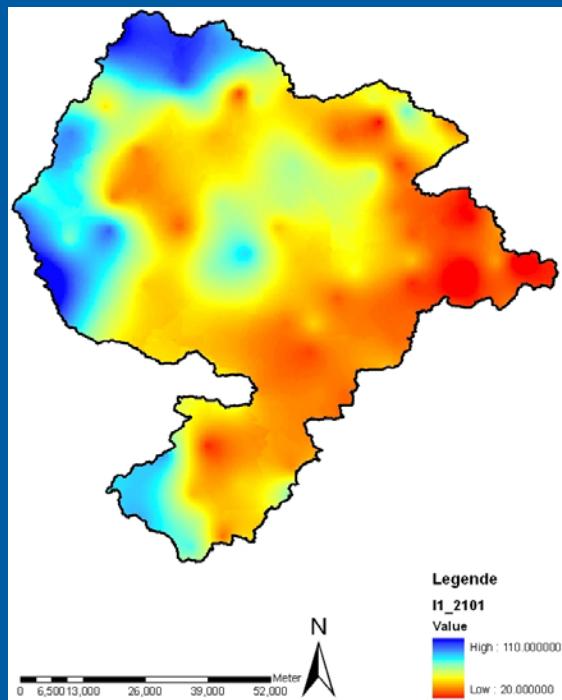
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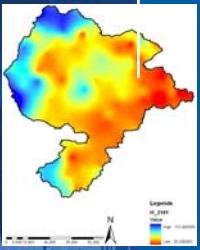


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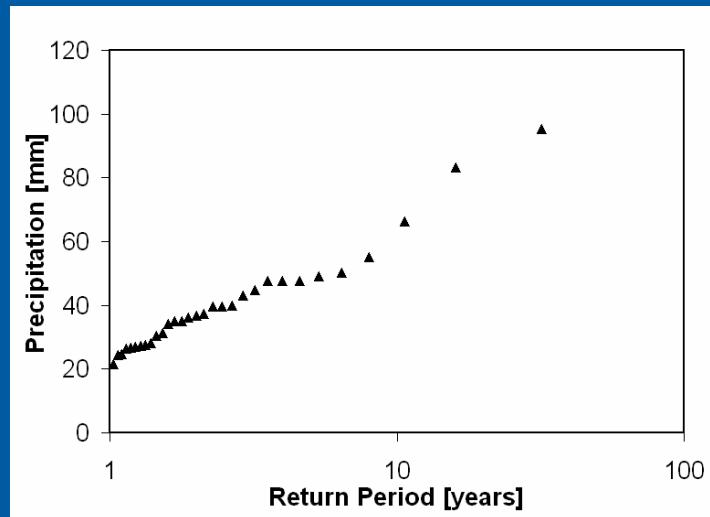
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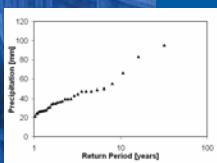
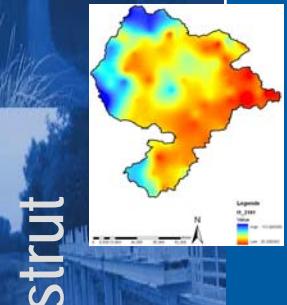


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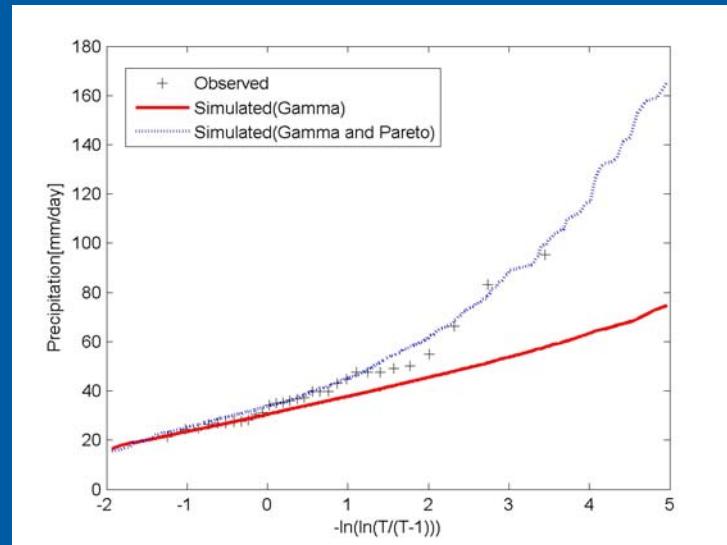
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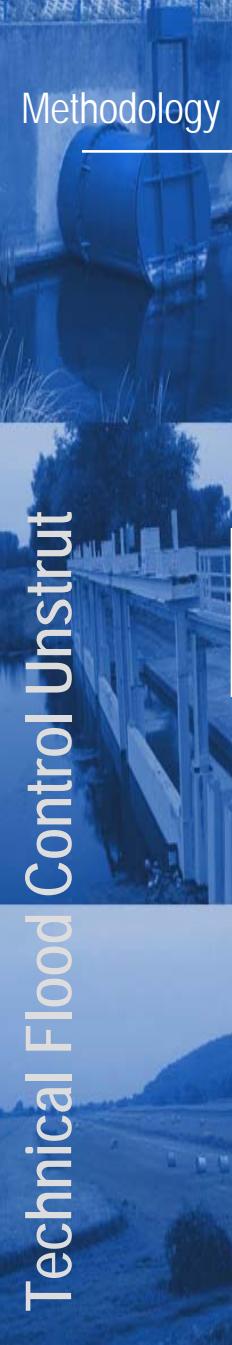




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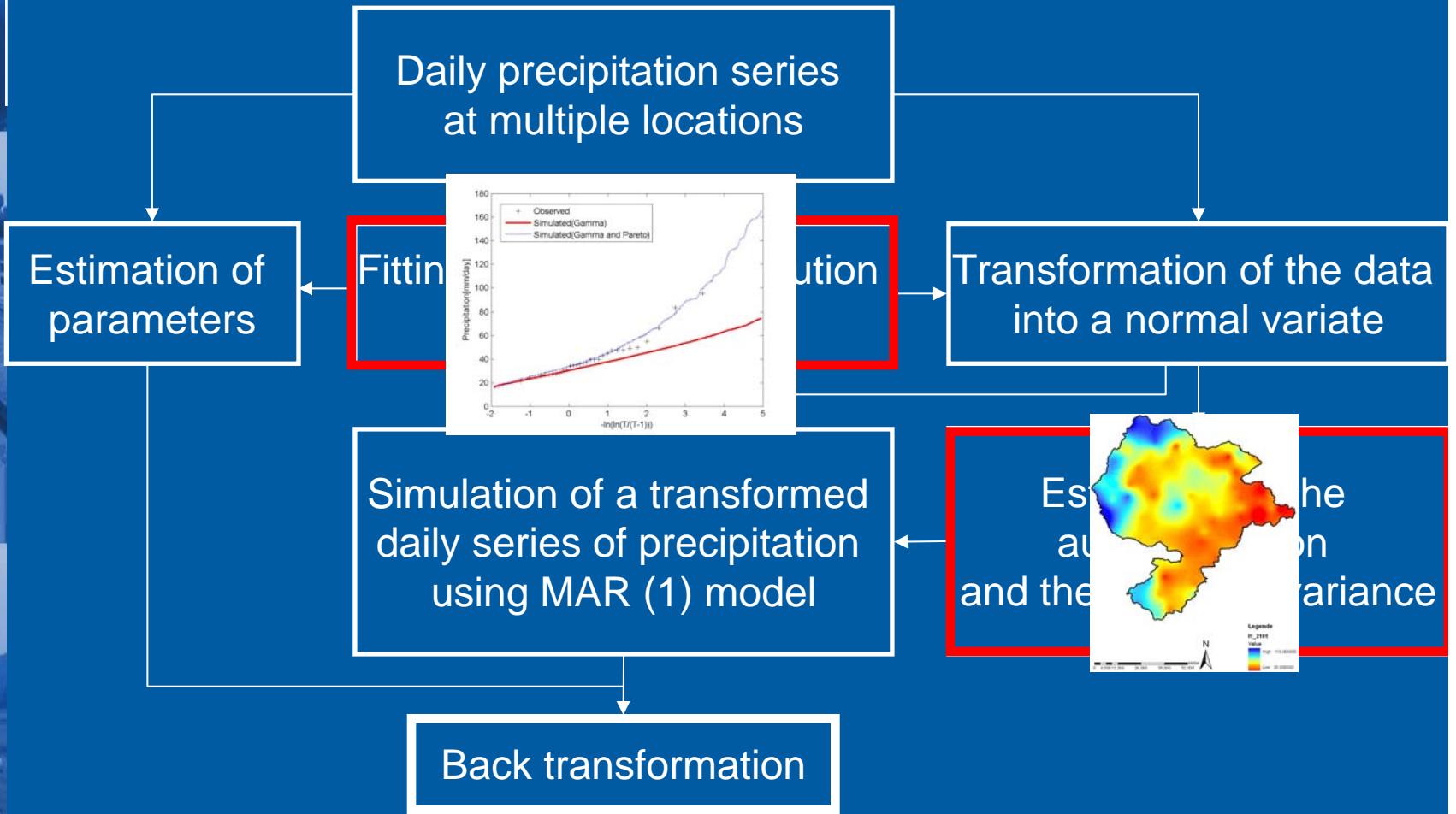
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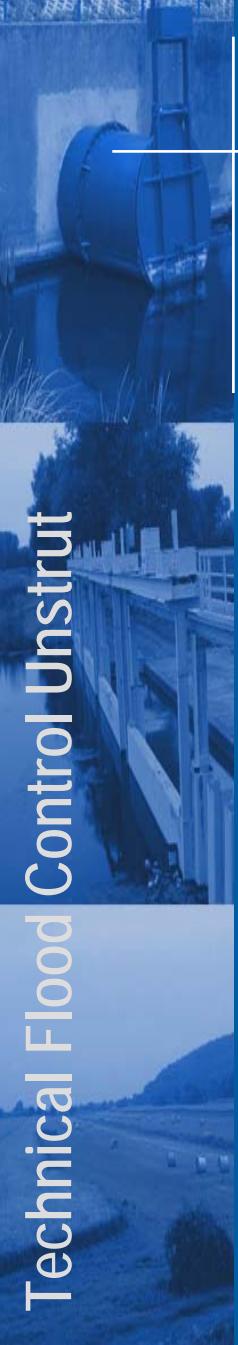




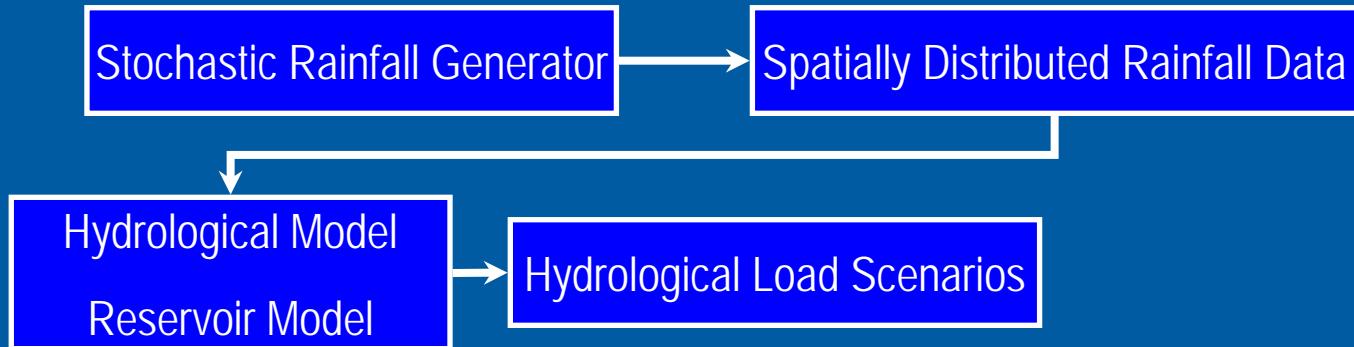
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Stochastic Rainfall Generator





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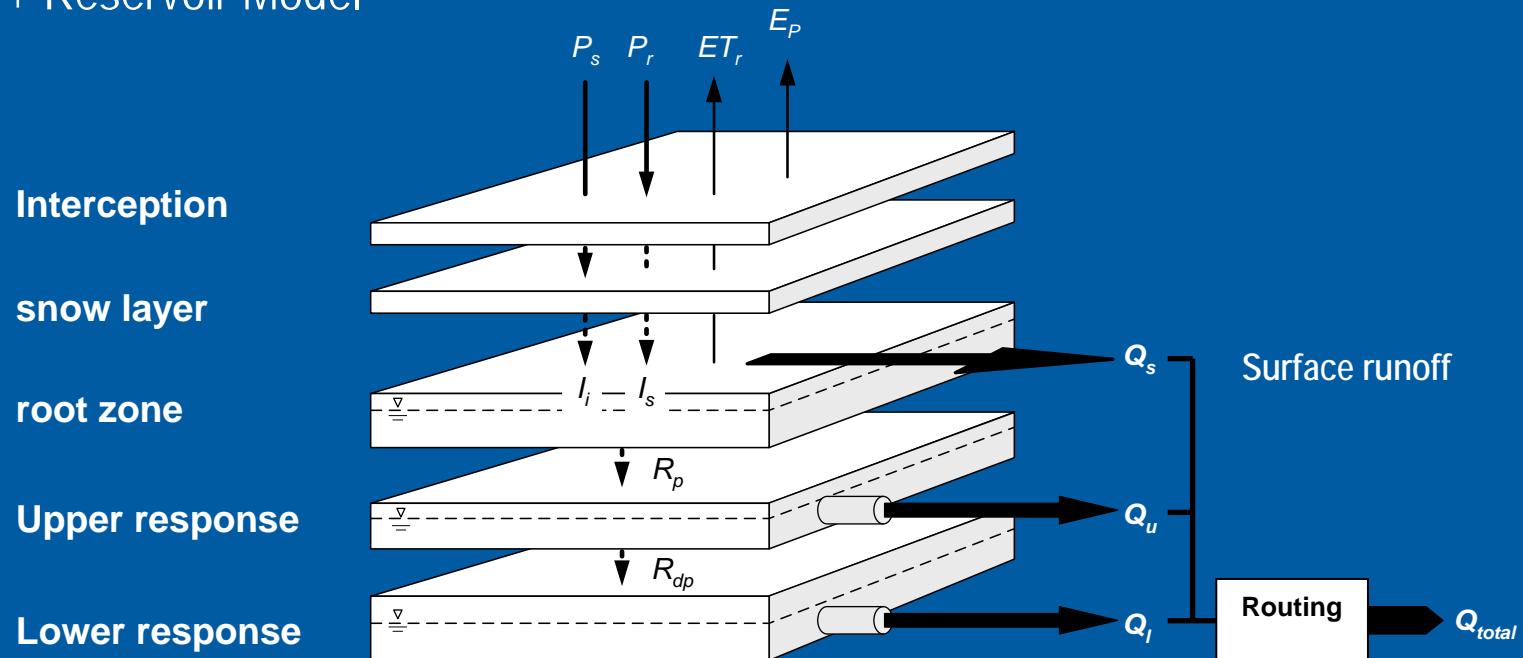




Methodology

Rainfall Runoff Model

Object Oriented Framework with HBV implementation
+ Reservoir Model

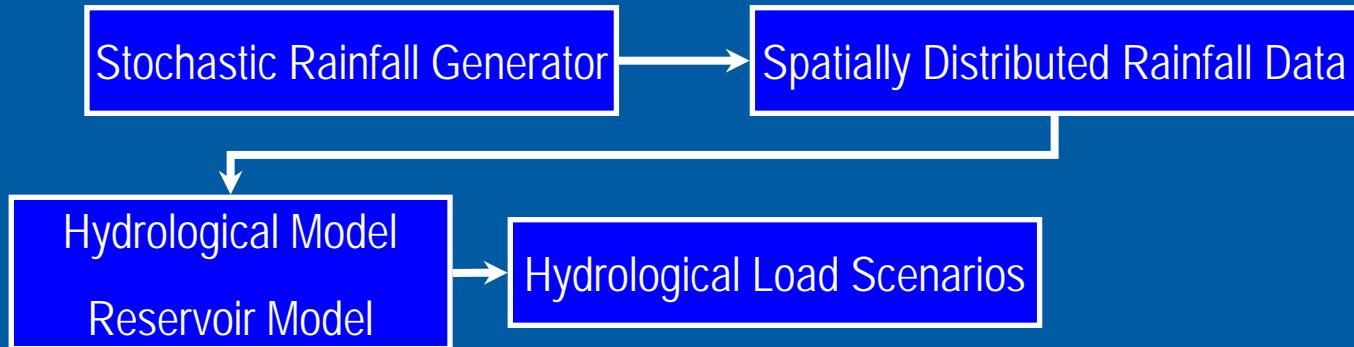


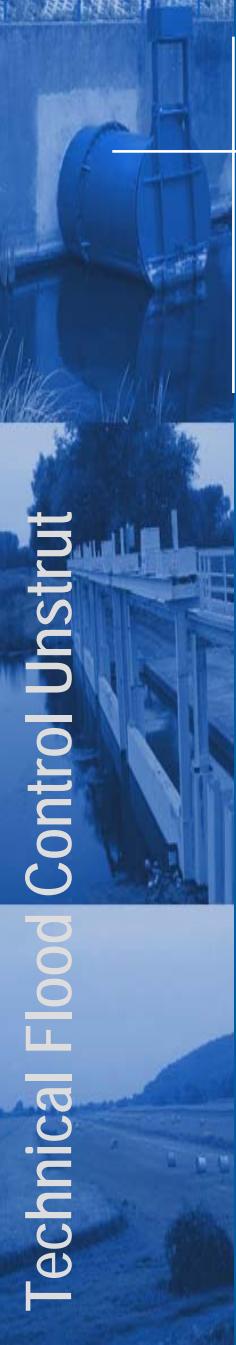
Stochastic Rainfall Generator + Deterministic Rainfall-Runoff Model
→ Stochastic-deterministic generation of hydrological loads

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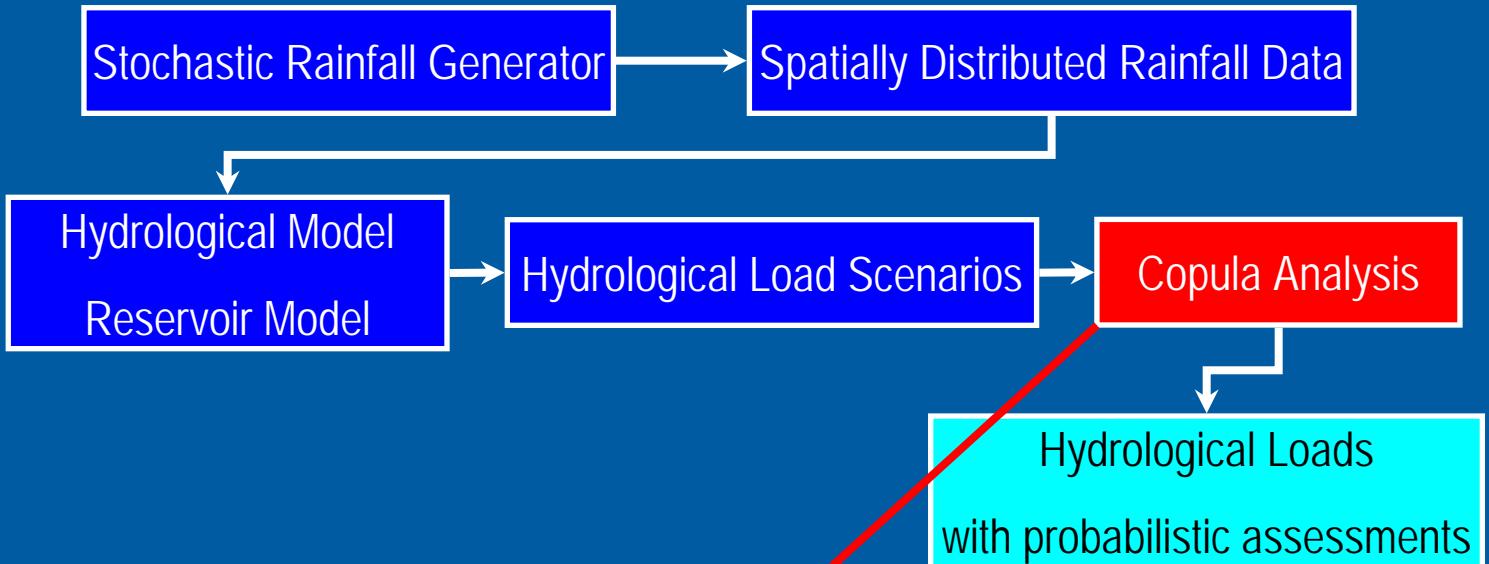


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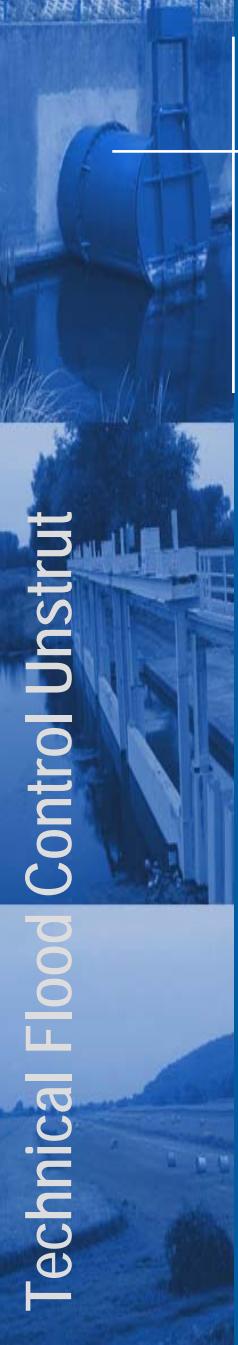


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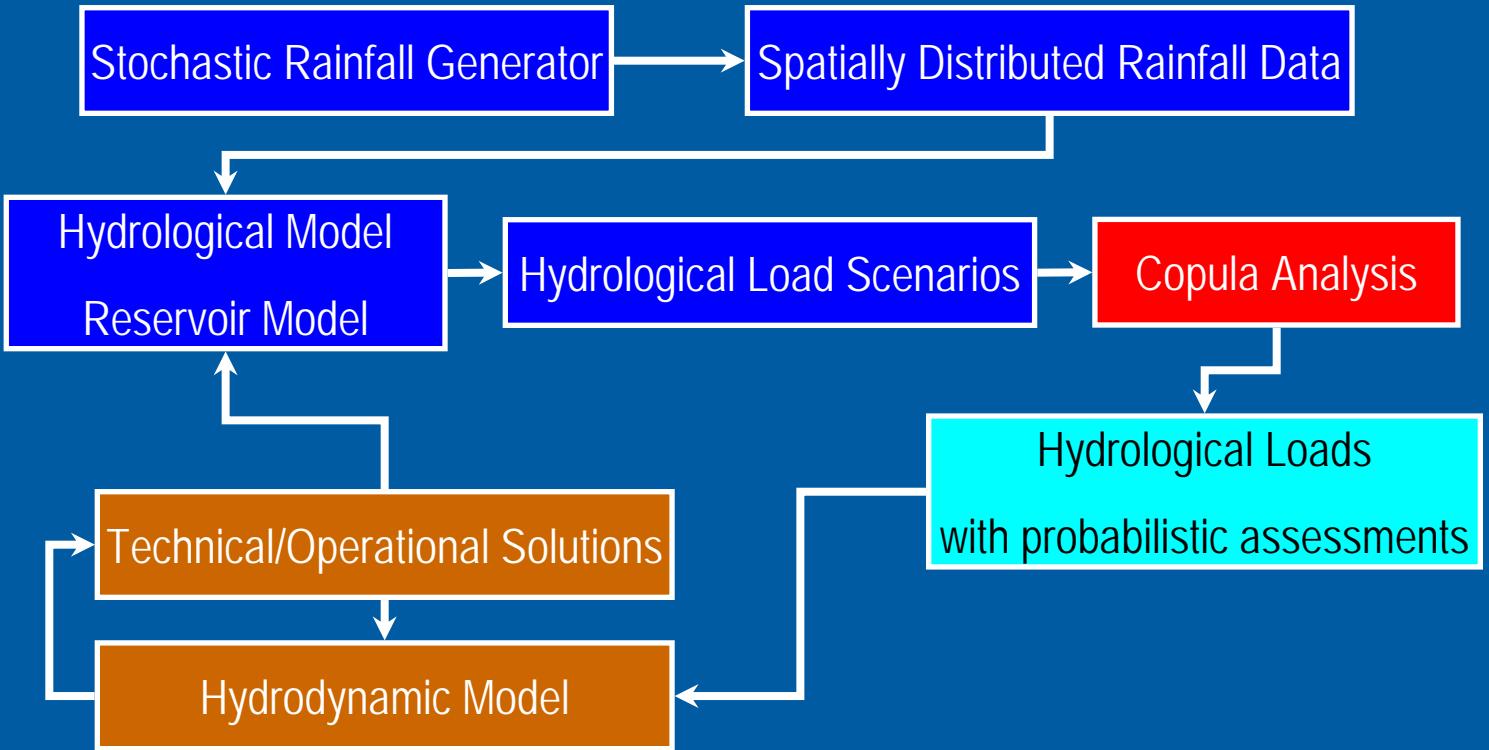
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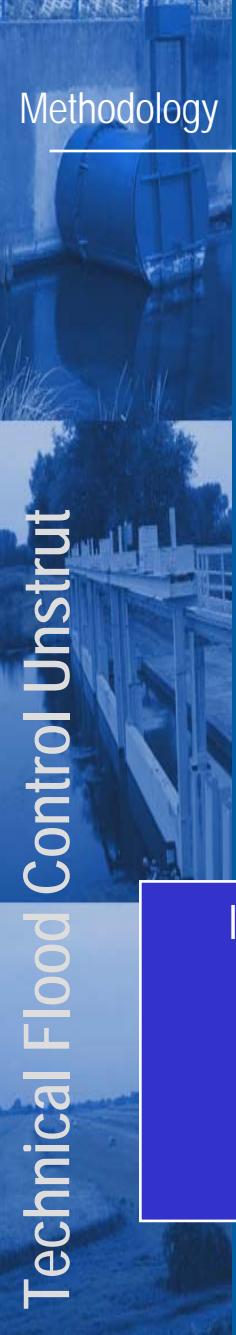
**"Probabilistic Analysis of Hydrological Loads to Optimize
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Methodology

Hydrodynamic Coupled

1D-2D Model



ILMOFlood
interlinked model for floods

1D Model based on the St.-Venant-equations

2D Model with "initially dry land" approach – Storage Cells

Simplified as ODE System

Stiff set of eqations

Implicit integration scheme (efficiency)

Coupling: 1D-1D / 1D-2D two-directional

Inundation Area

Flood Duration

Flow Velocity

Water Level

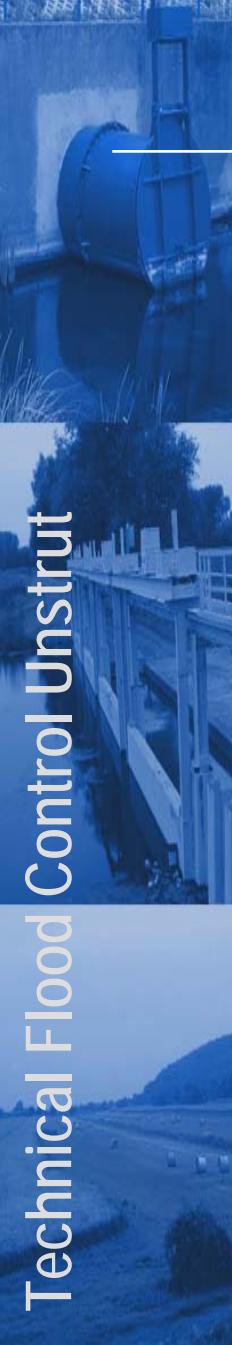


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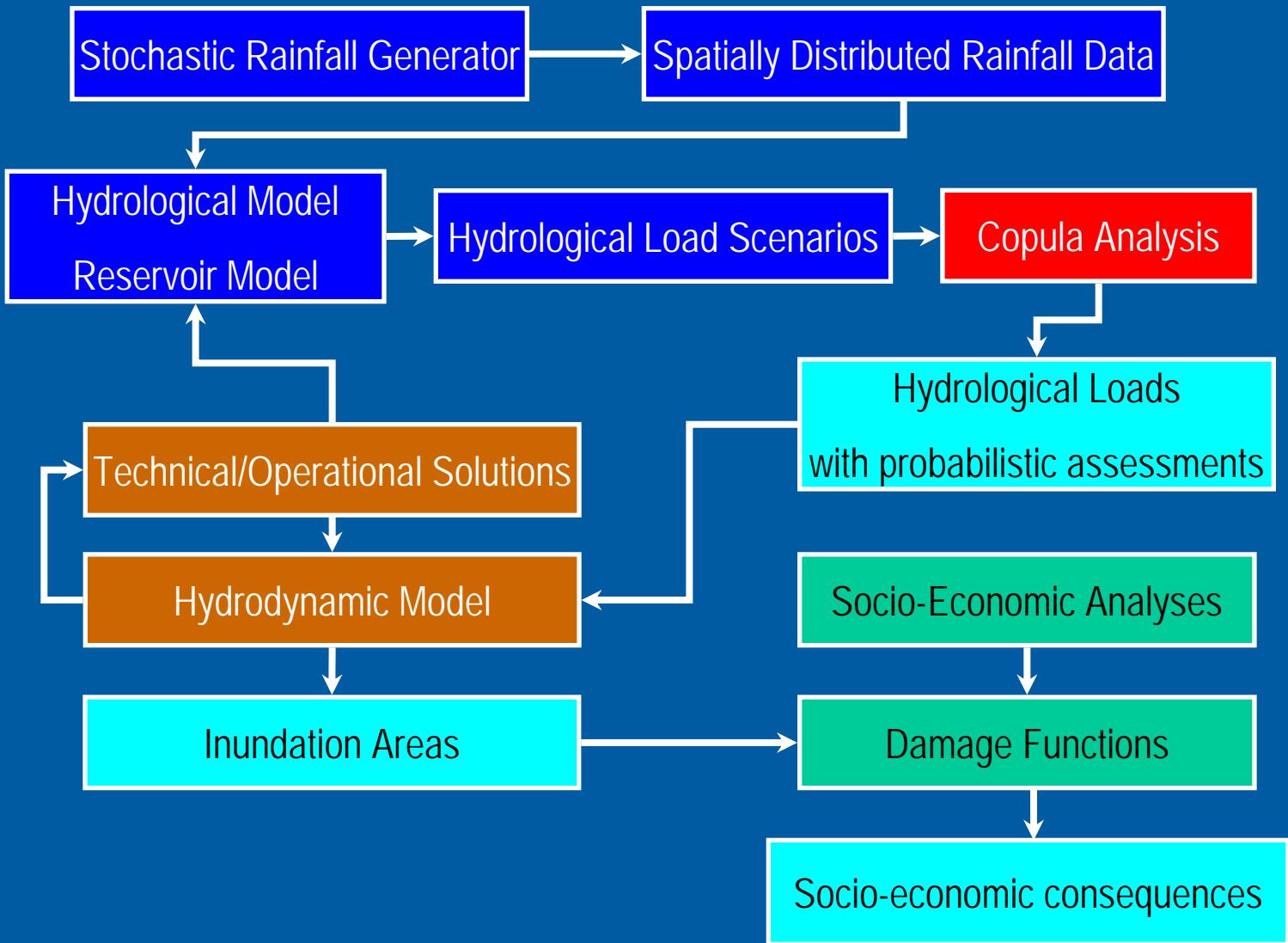
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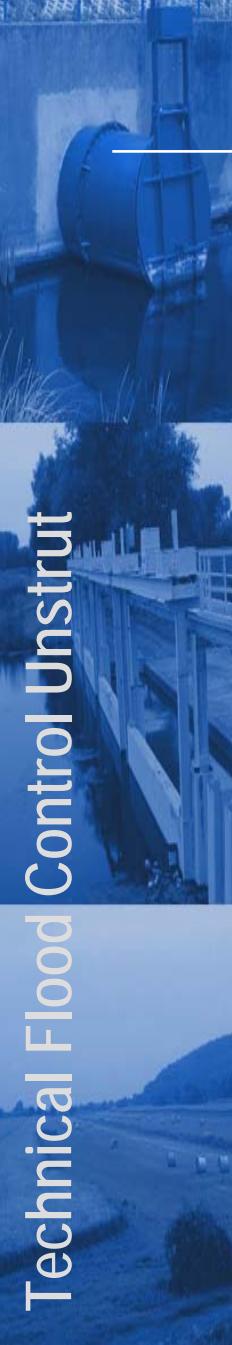
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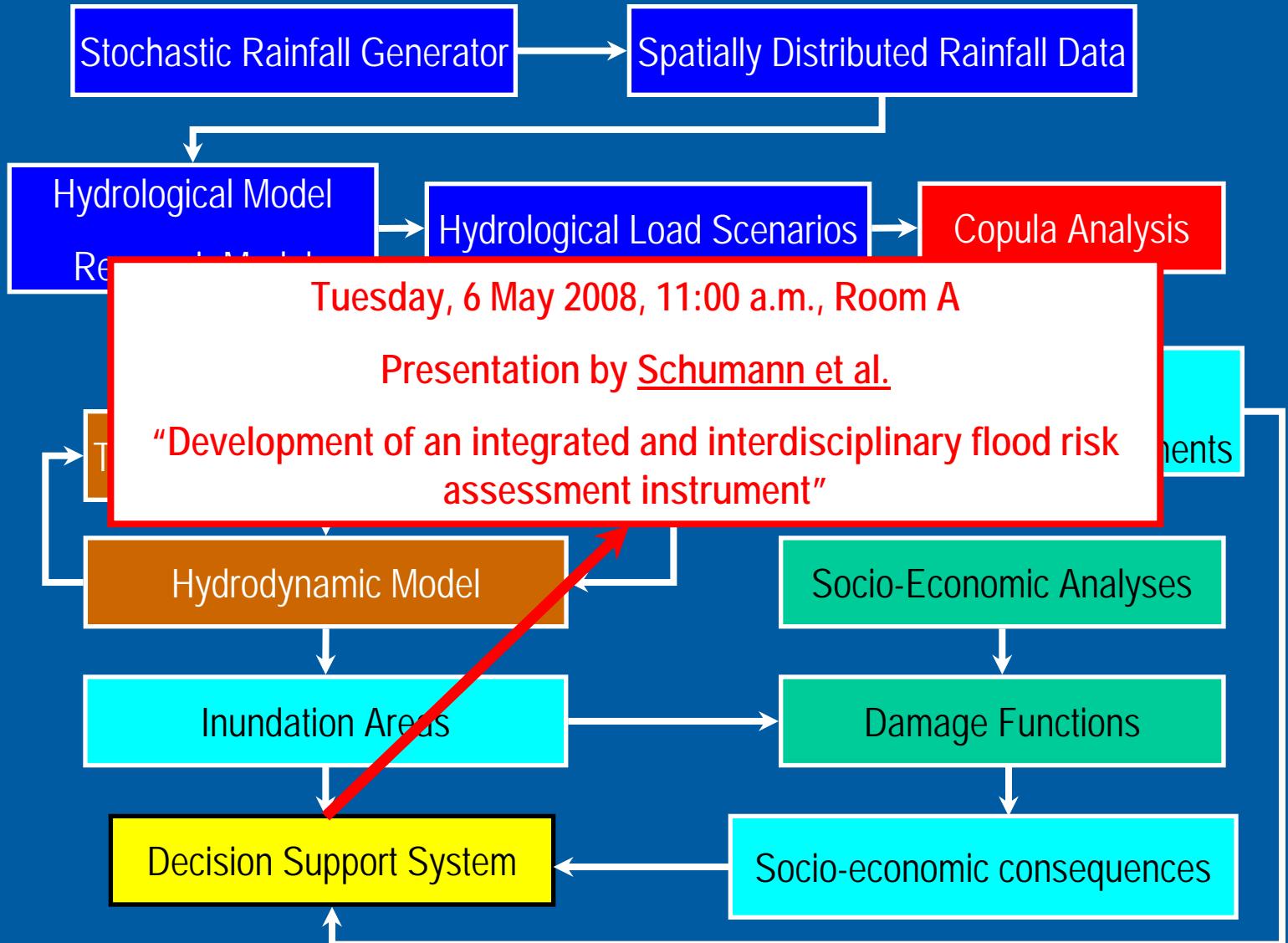


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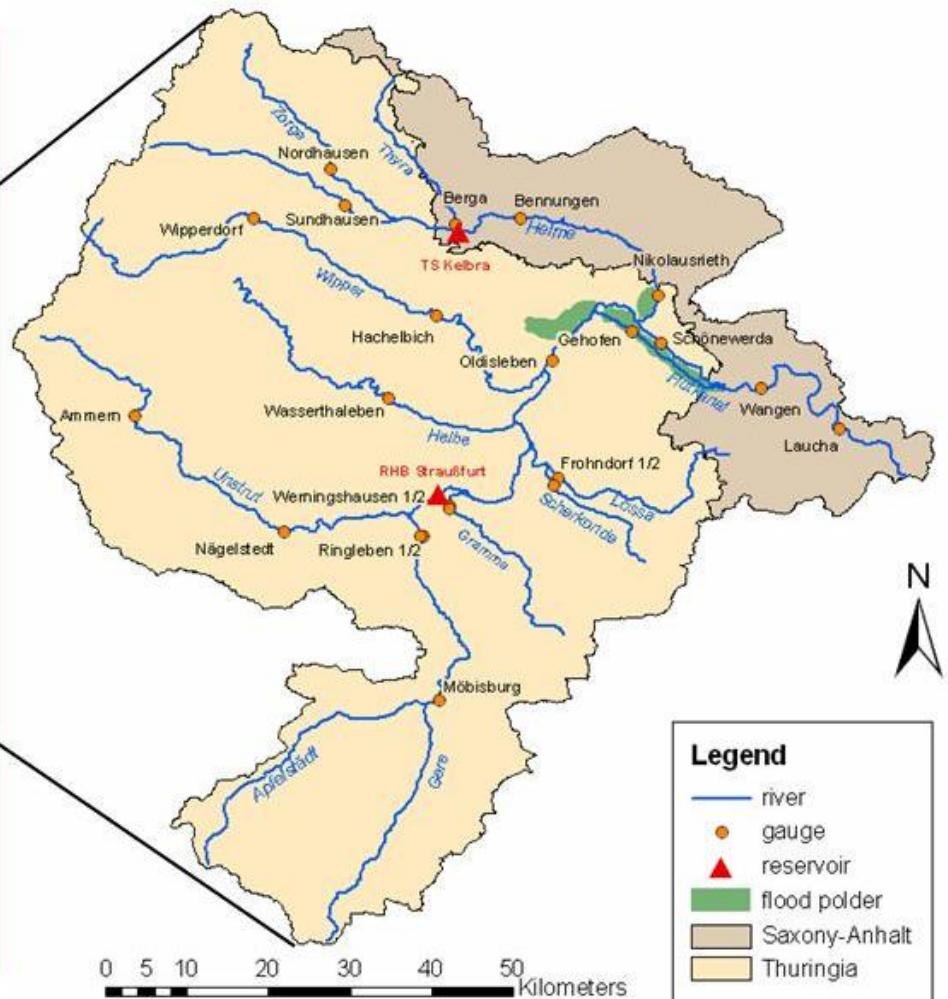
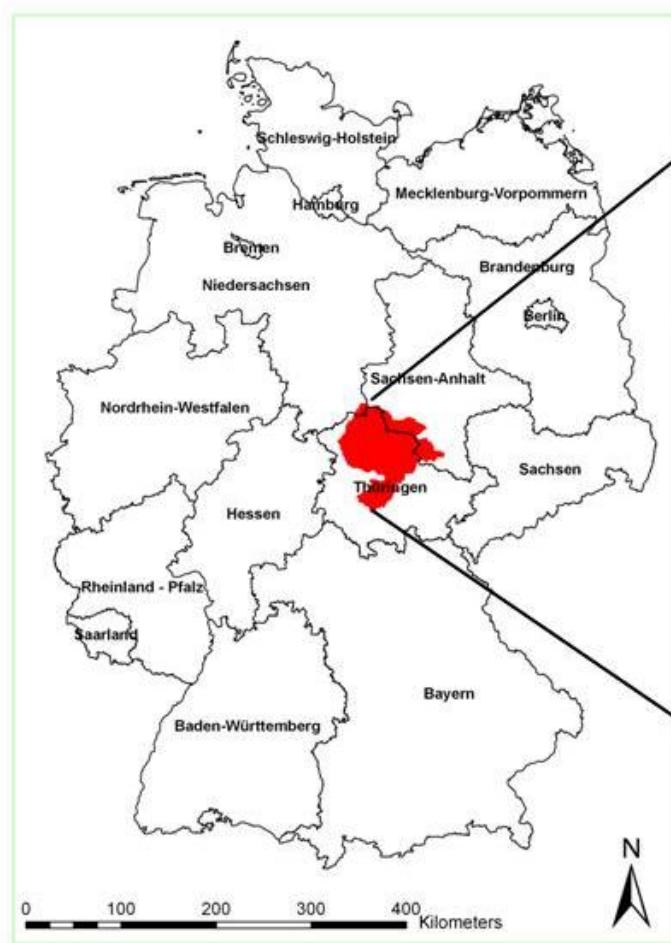


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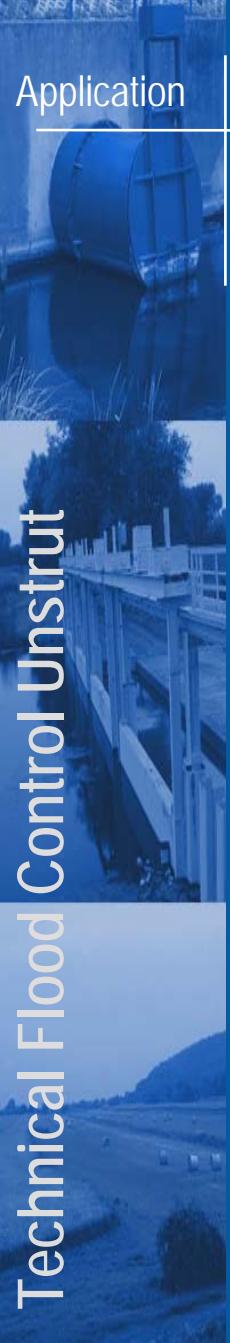
Study area

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Application

Current Flood Control System

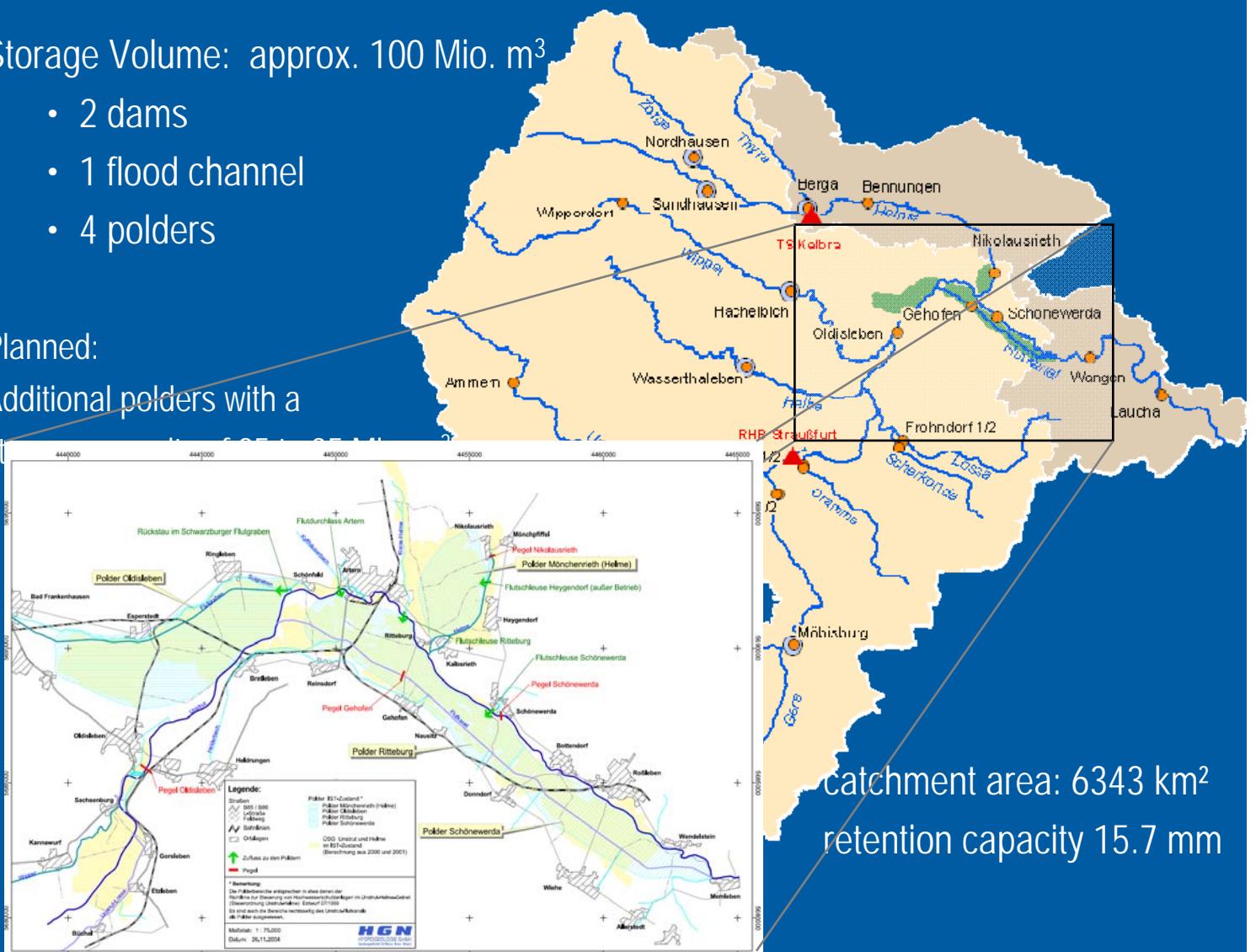
Storage Volume: approx. 100 Mio. m³

- 2 dams
- 1 flood channel
- 4 polders

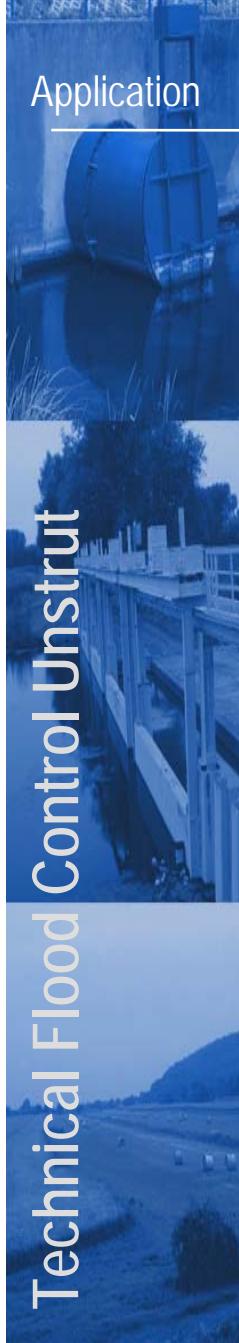
Planned:

Additional polders with a

storage volume

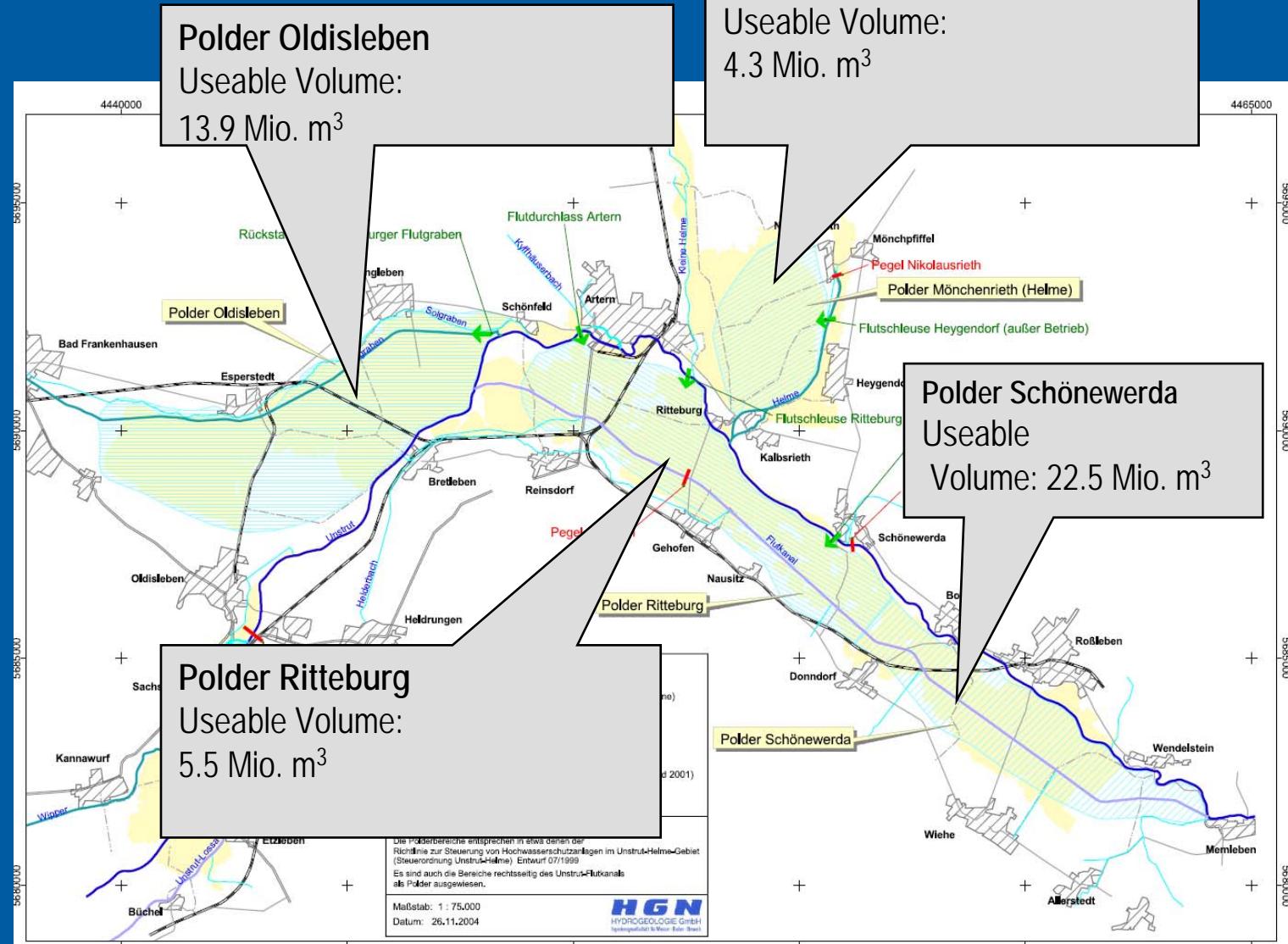


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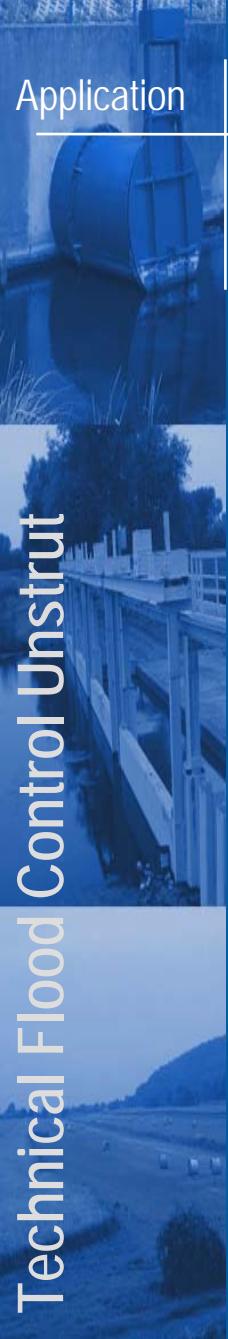


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Current polder system



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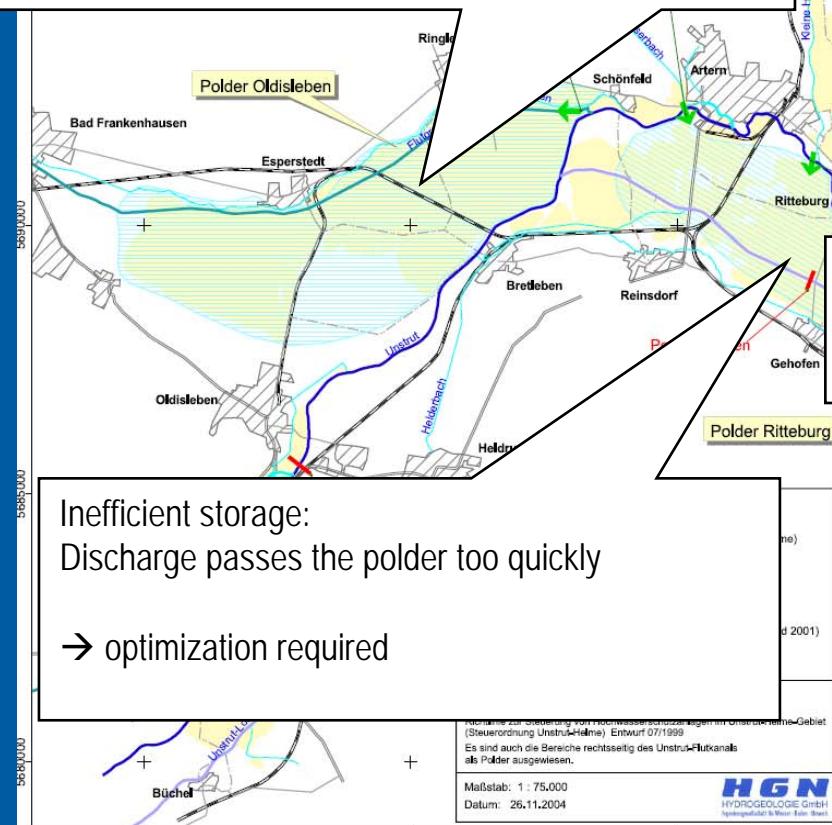


Application

Specific problems

Flood 2002/03: Usage less than 10 %, no controlled operation possible (inlet structure), possibly overtopping of the dike

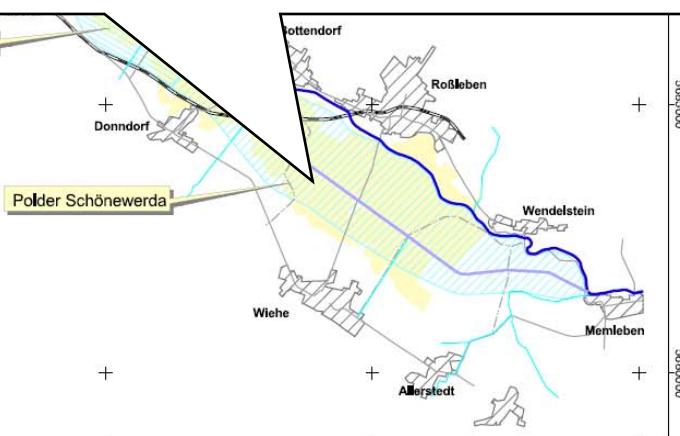
→ optimization required

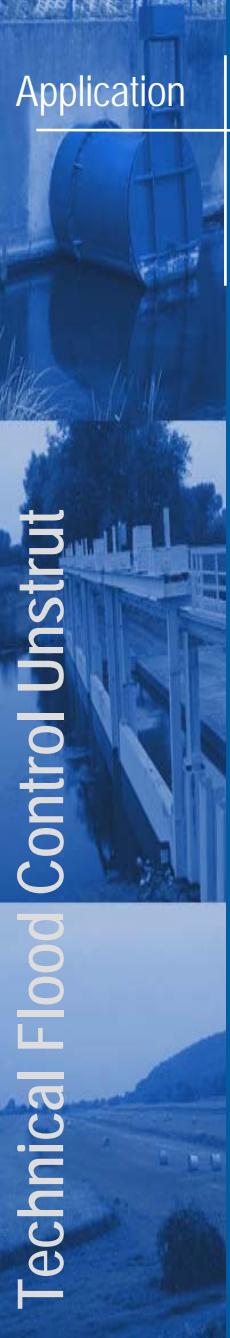


No controlled operation possible:
Faulty intake structure
→ optimization required

Inefficient intake structure; inefficient storage

→ optimization required





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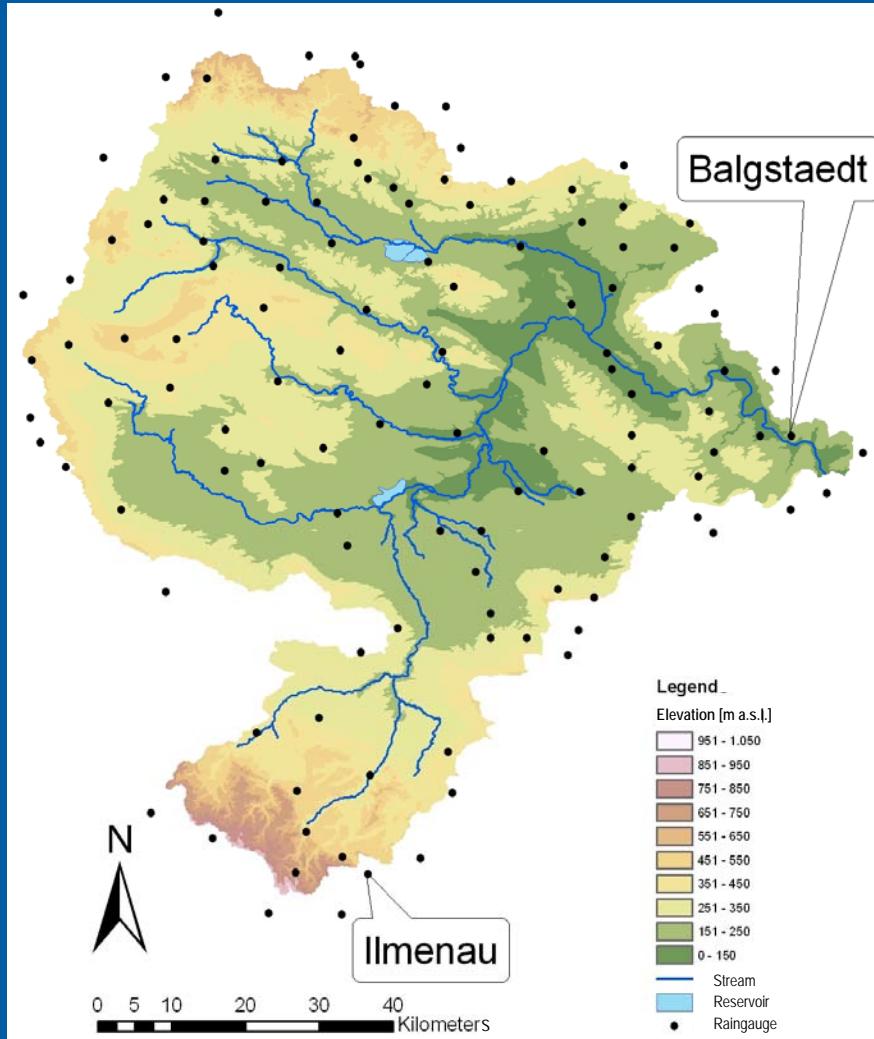
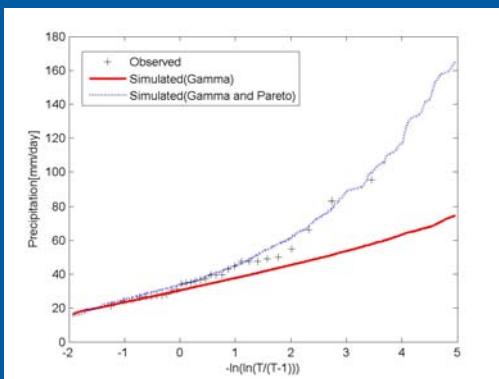
Stochastic Generation of Rainfall

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Measurements from
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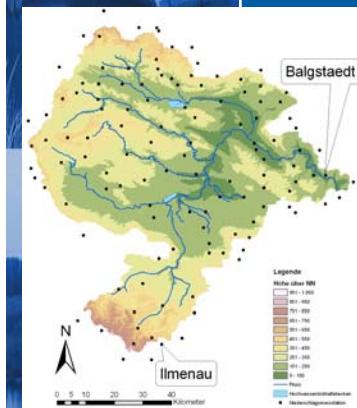
Simulation of 10 time
series with a duration
of 1000 years each

Distributions used:
- Gamma/Gumbel
- Gamma/Pareto



Unstrut
catchment
area:
6434 km²

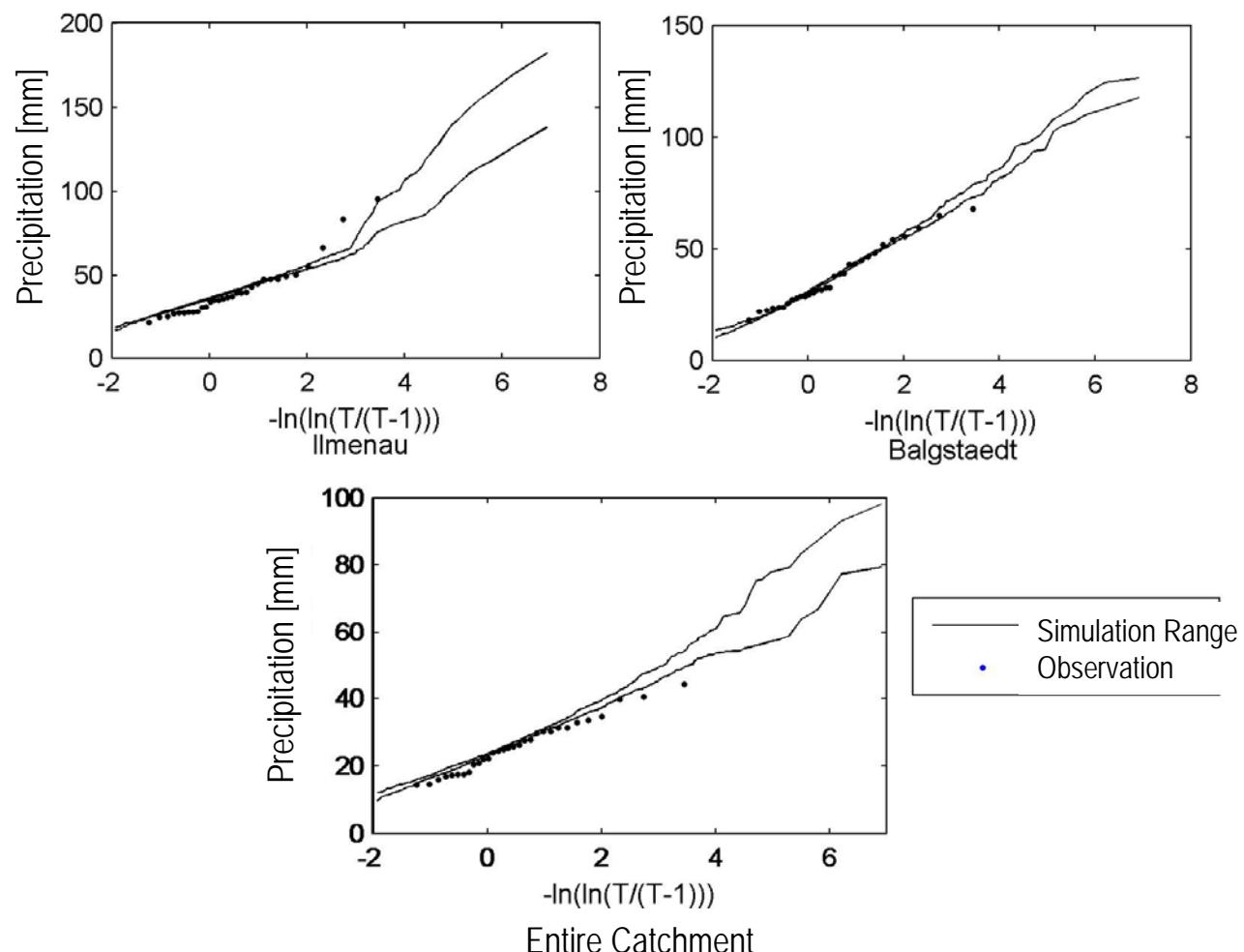
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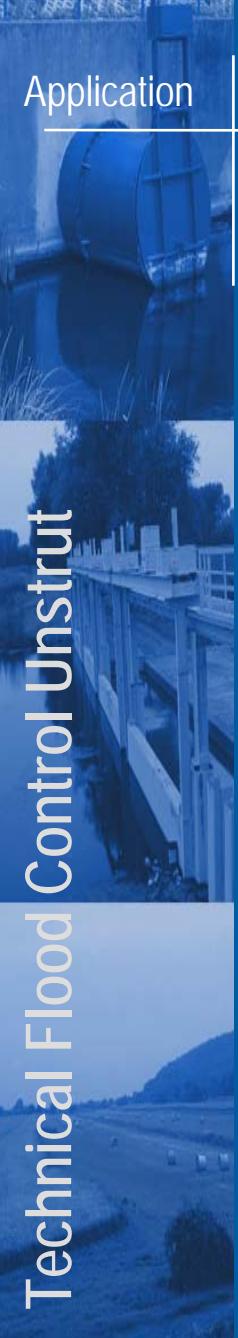


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Annual Maximum of Daily Precipitation

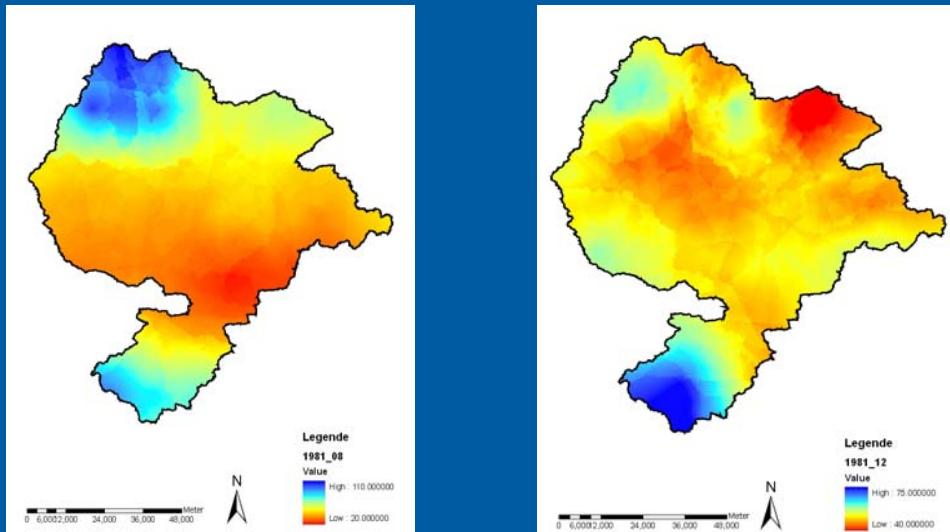




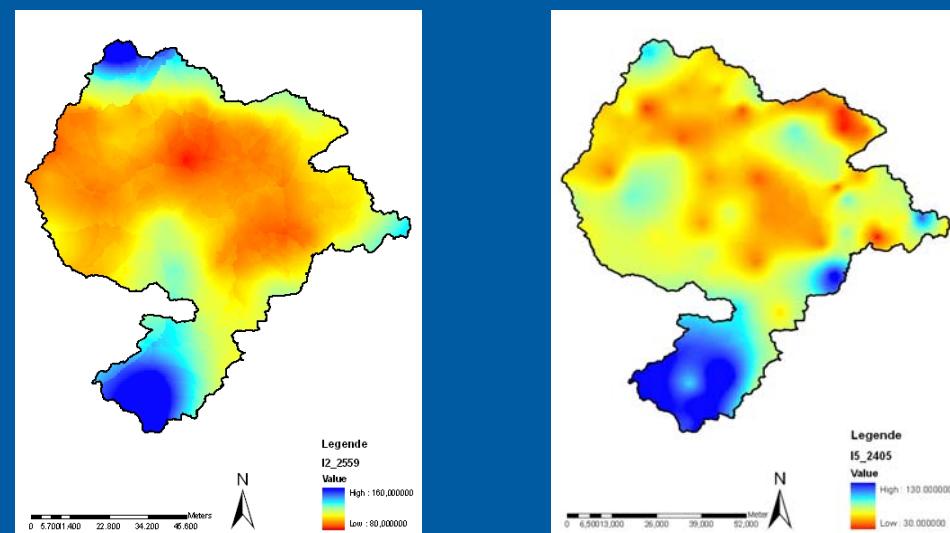
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Comparison of the Spatial Rainfall Distribution

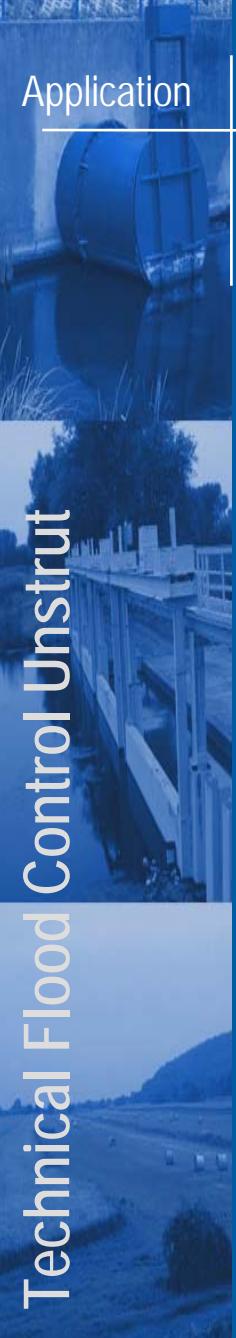
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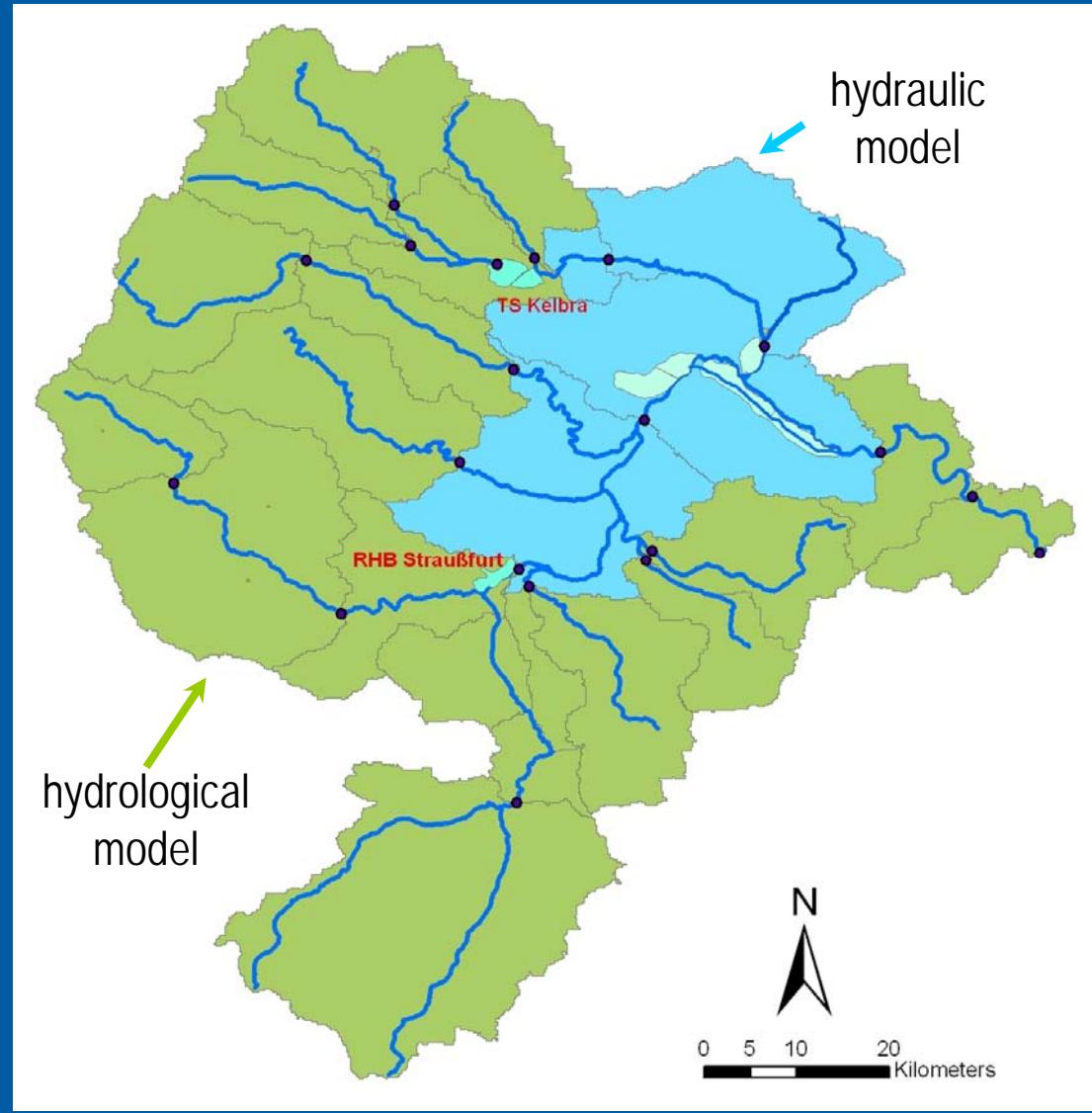
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Rainfall-Runoff Modelling

→ Generation of 10
Discharge Time
Series of 1000 Years
Duration each



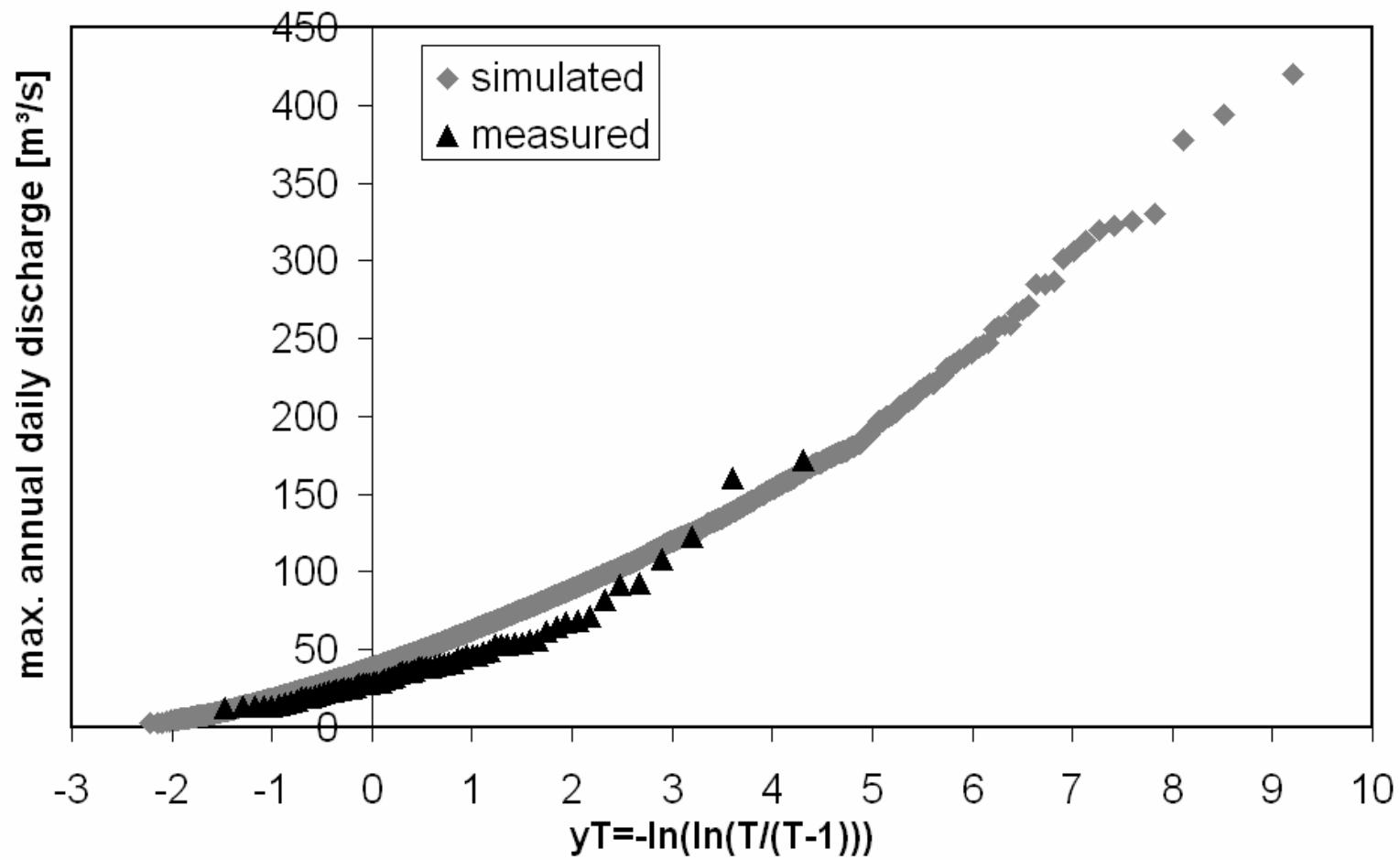
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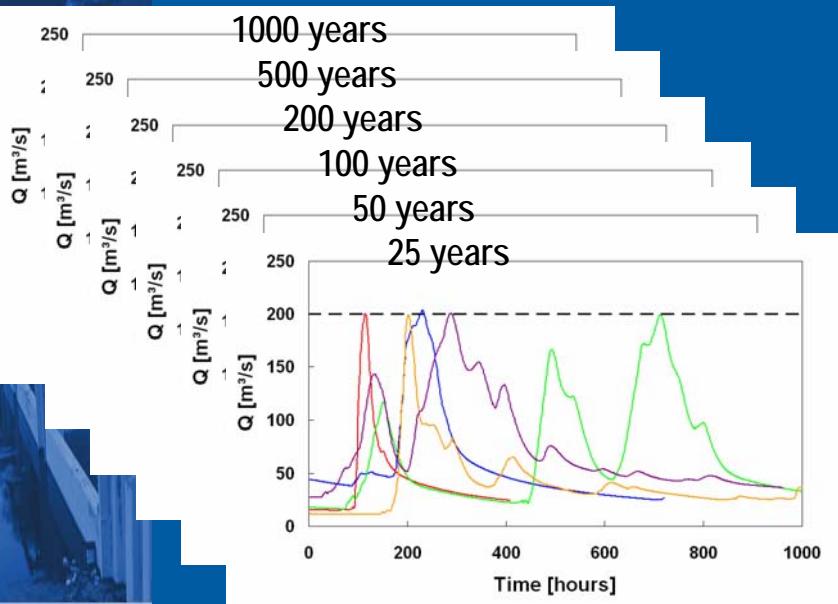


Generation of Hydrological Loads

Maximum Annual Daily Discharge



Generation of hydrological loads



Selection of 5 hydrologic events for 6 different return periods:

25, 50, 100, 200, 500 and 1000 years
+ 1 event > 1000 years

→ 31 hydrologic events with :

- different *spatial characteristics*
- different *peak, shape, volume*

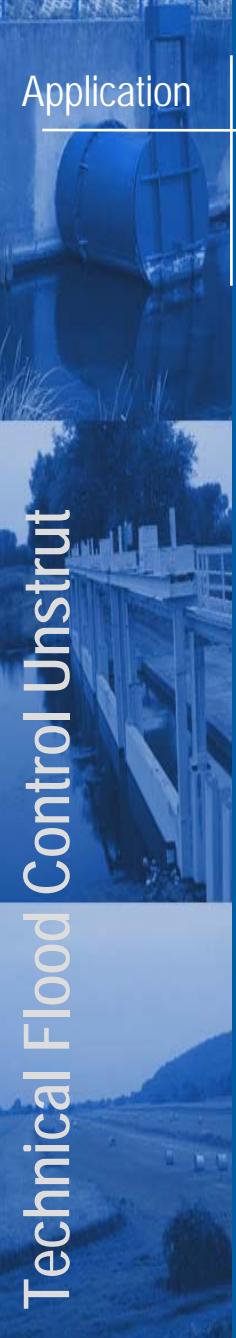


Structural Measures

→ Polders

- Implementation of new polders
- Subdivision of polders into sections
- Optimisation of intake structures
- Operation mode of polder inundation





Application

6 Different System States of the Technical Flood Control System

System State 1:

Status Quo:

5 dams (~7 million m³)
5 polders (~45 million m³)

low cost

System State 2:

Current system is fully functional

2 dams (~57 million m³)
5 polders (~45 million m³)

System State 3:

Addition of small polders in the upstream region

2 dams (~57 million m³)
9 polders (~77 million m³)

System State 4:

Addition of larger polders in the upstream region
2 dams (~57 million m³)
9 polders (~85 million m³)

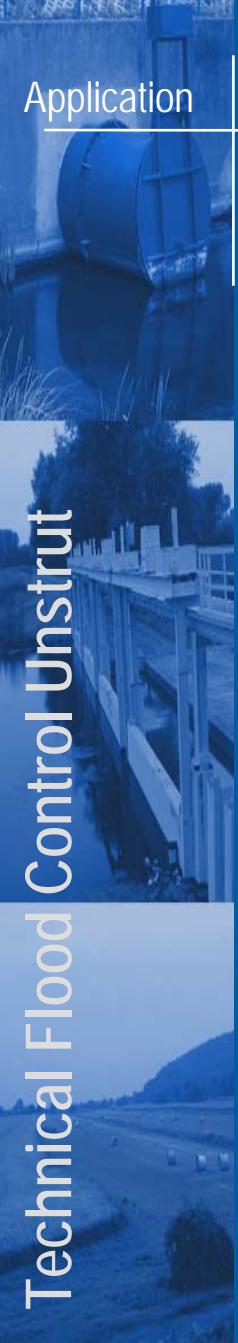
System State 5:

Controlled operation of the polders
2 dams (~57 million m³)
9 polders (~85 million m³)

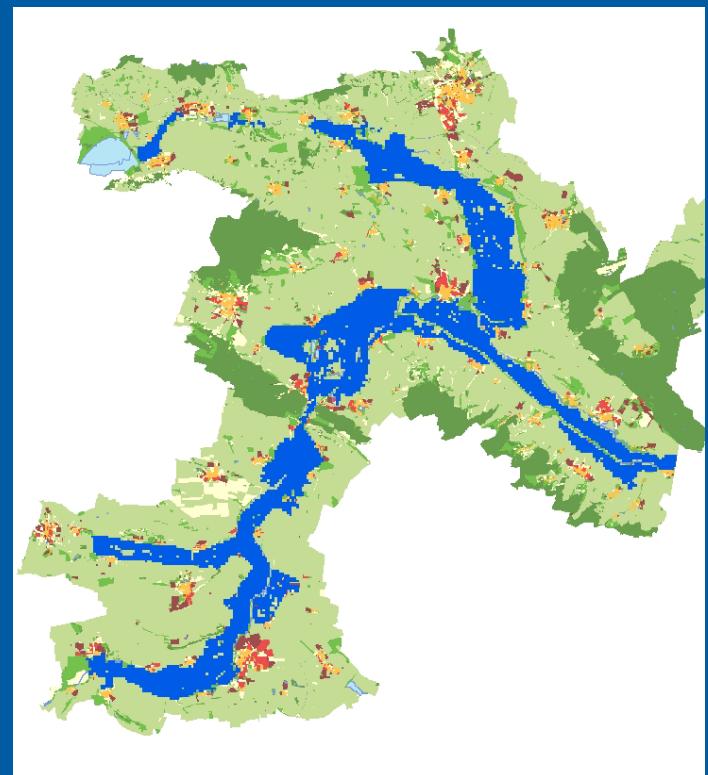
System State 6:

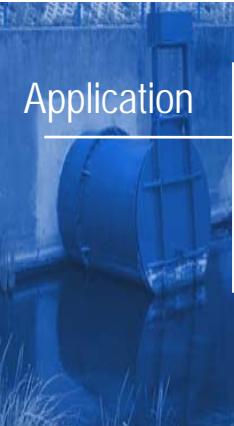
Implementation of larger polder inlet structures
2 dams (~57 million m³)
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high cost



- 31 Hydrologic Events, i.e. Floods
 - 6 Different System States
- 186 Scenarios



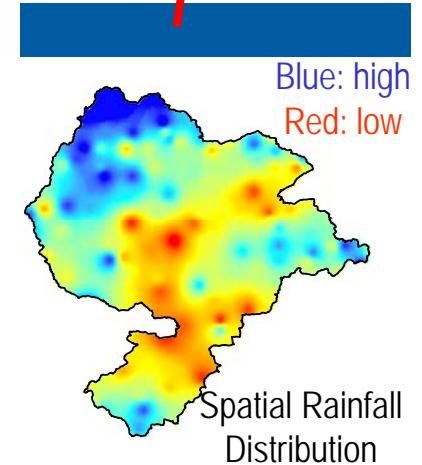
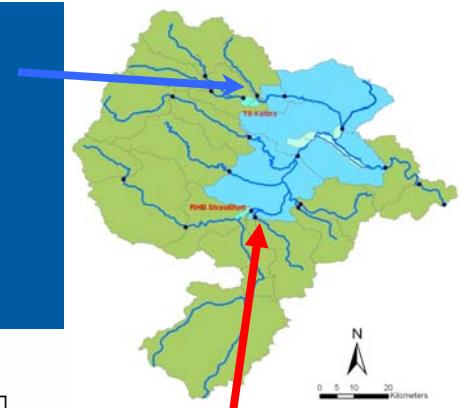
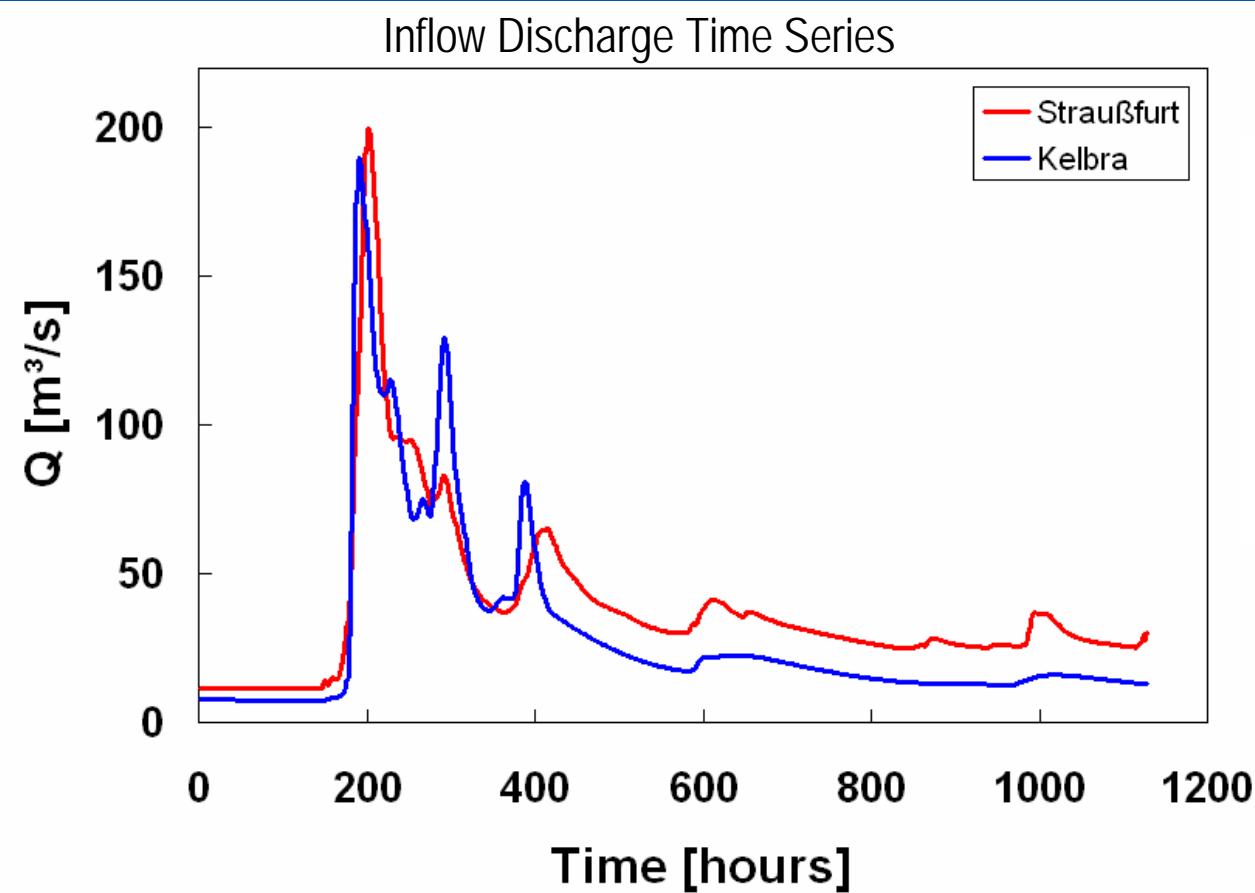


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Straußfurt and Kelbra (return period 25 years at Straußfurt)



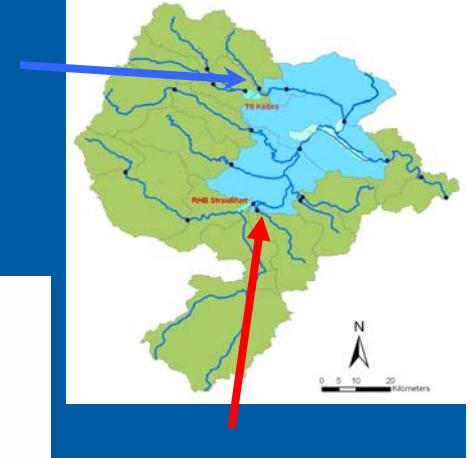
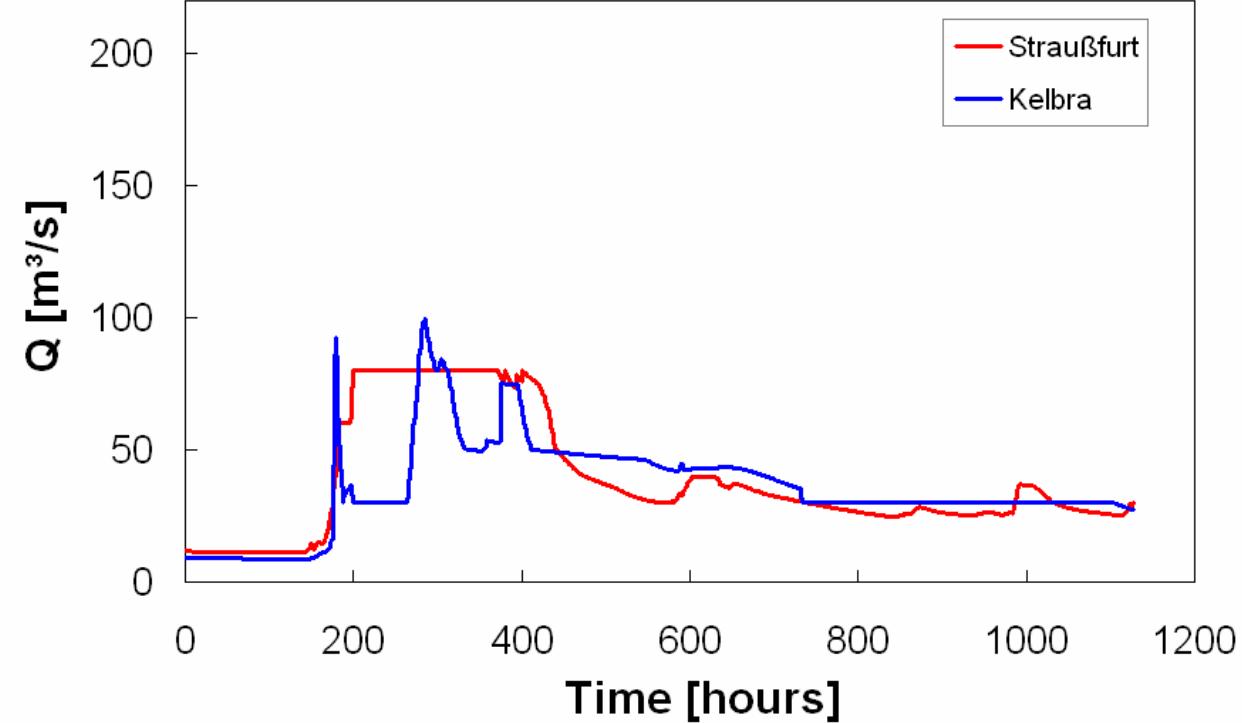
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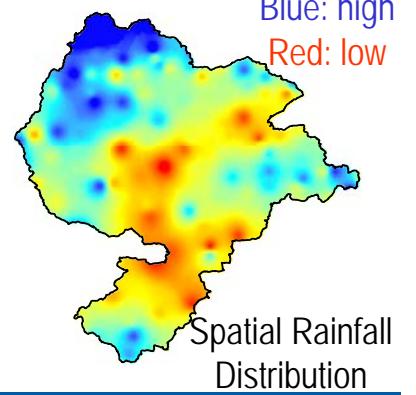
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Straußfurt and Kelbra (return period 25 years at Straußfurt)

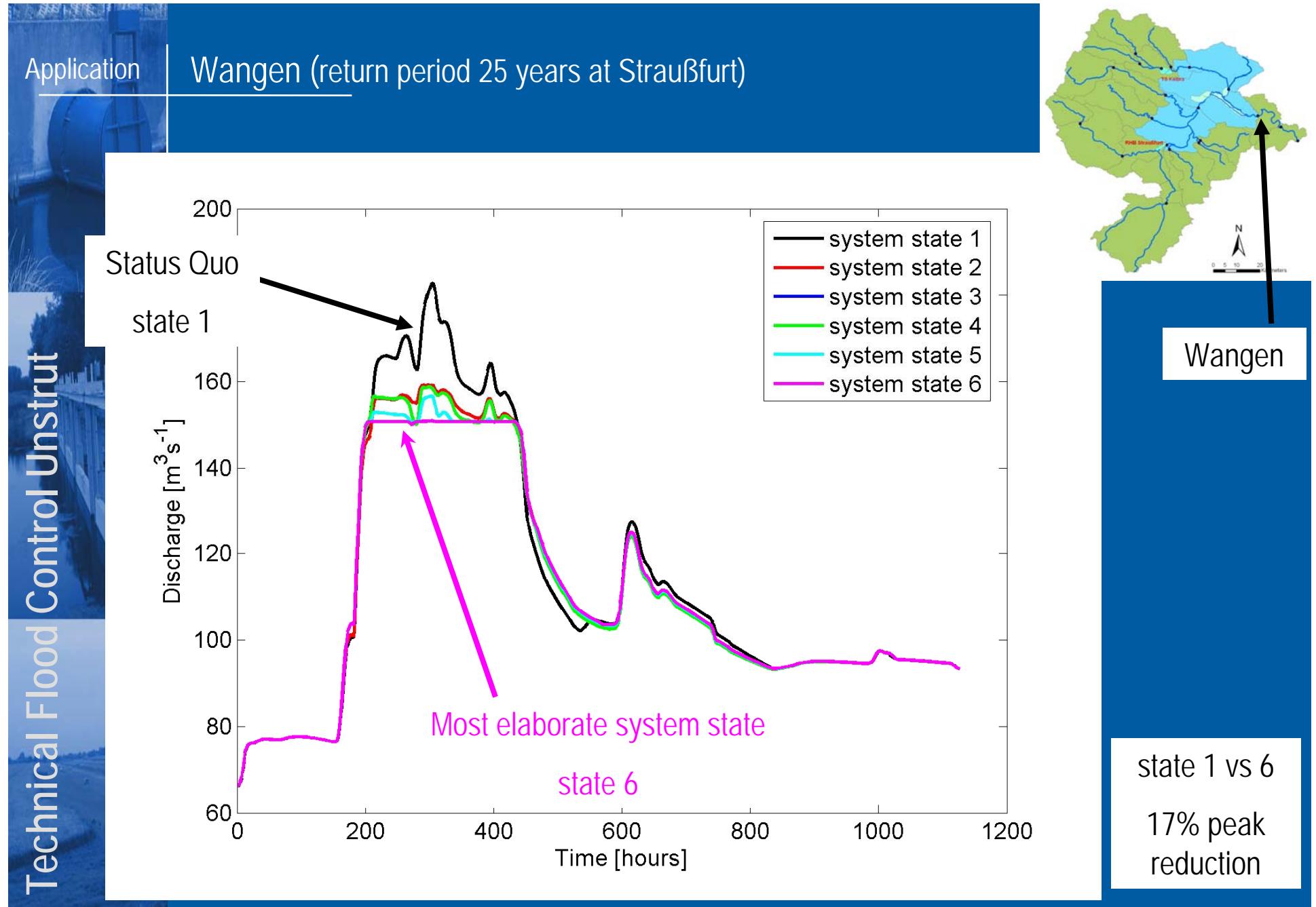
Outflow Discharge Time Series



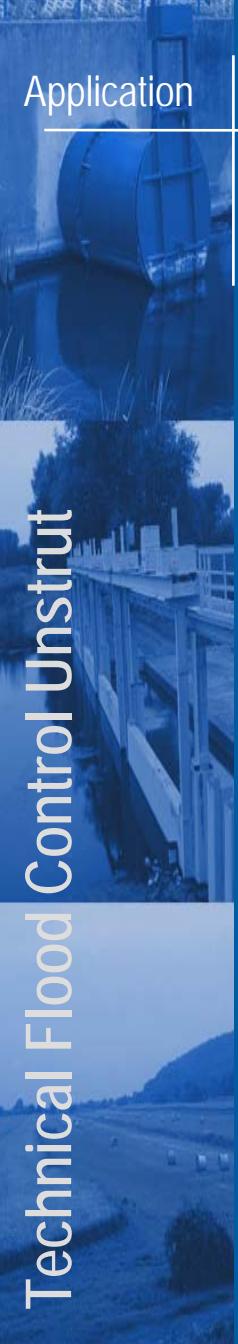
Blue: high
Red: low



Spatial Rainfall Distribution

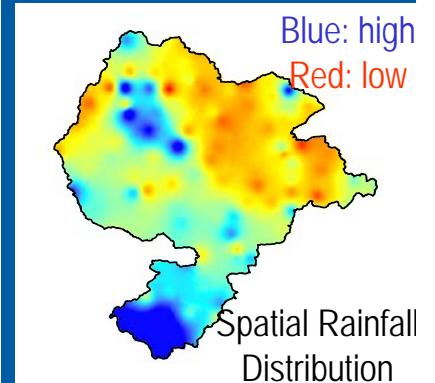
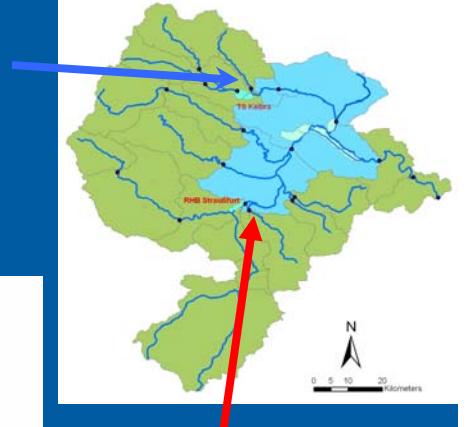
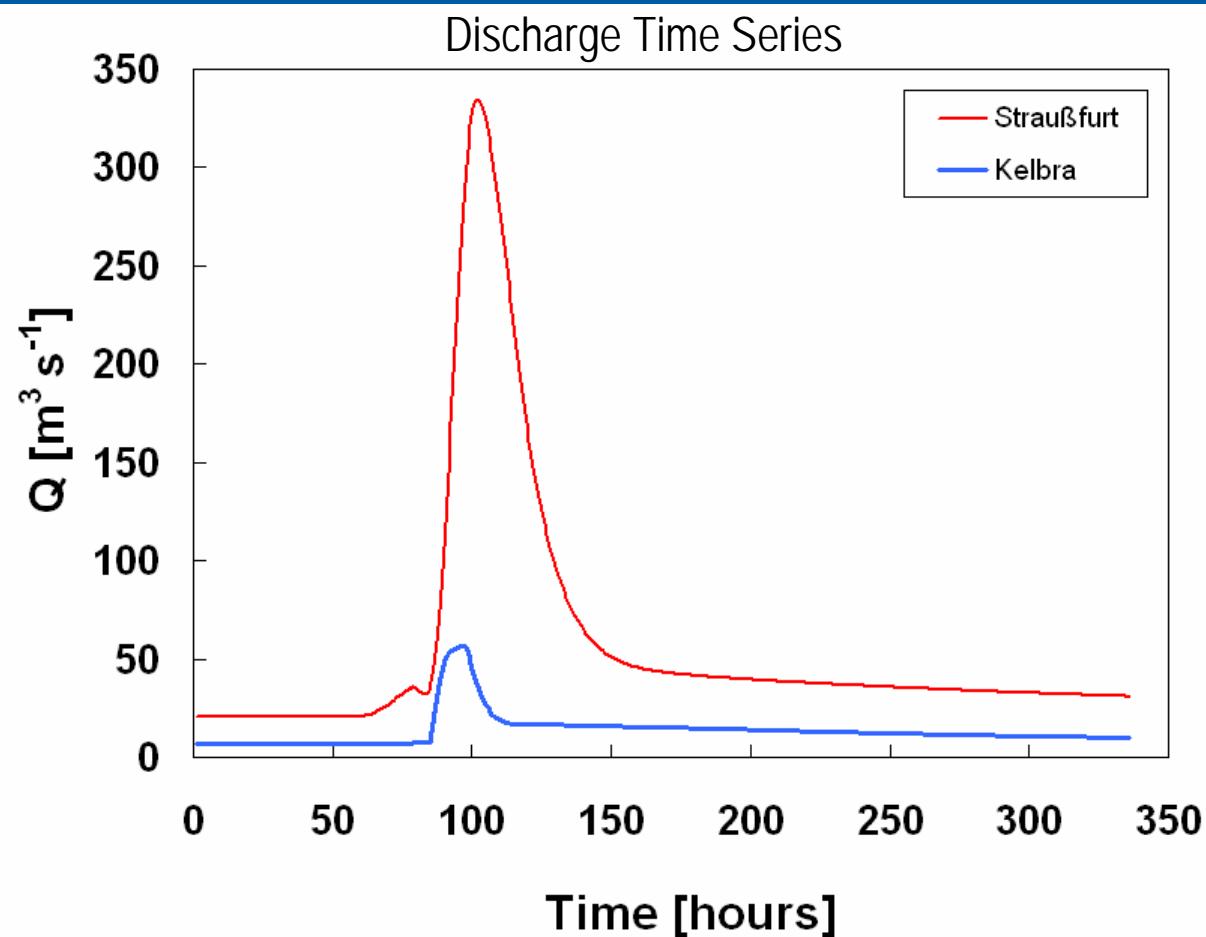


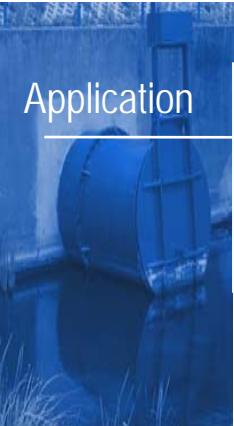
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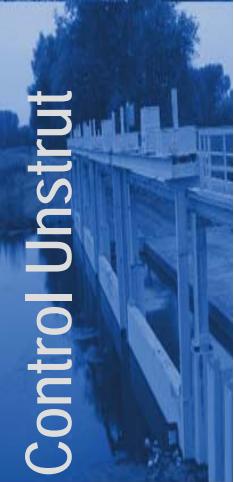
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Straußfurt and Kelbra (return period 200 years at Straußfurt)



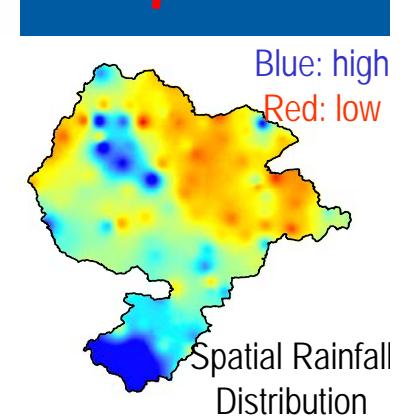
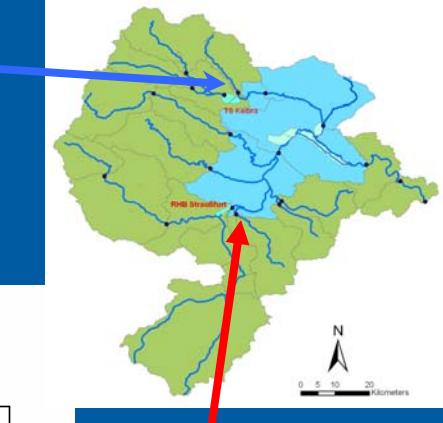
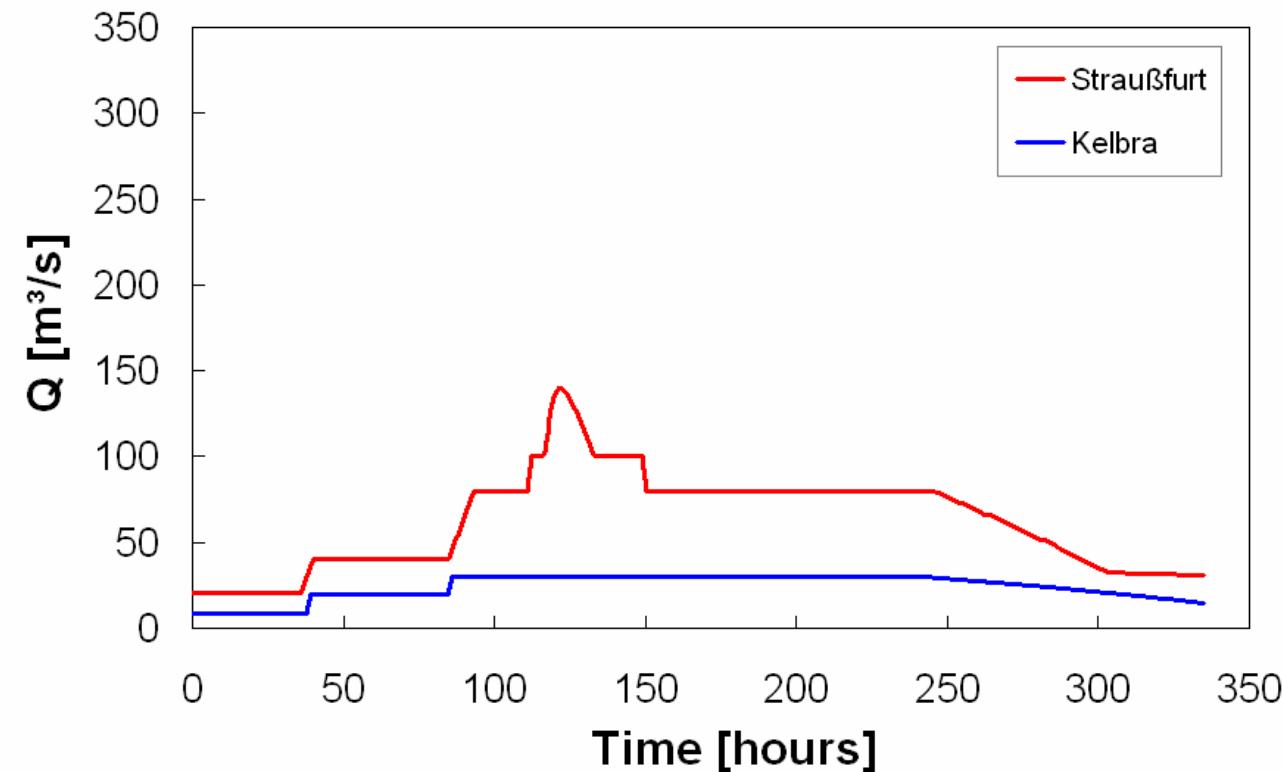


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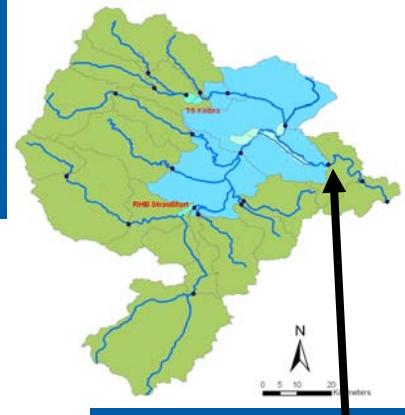
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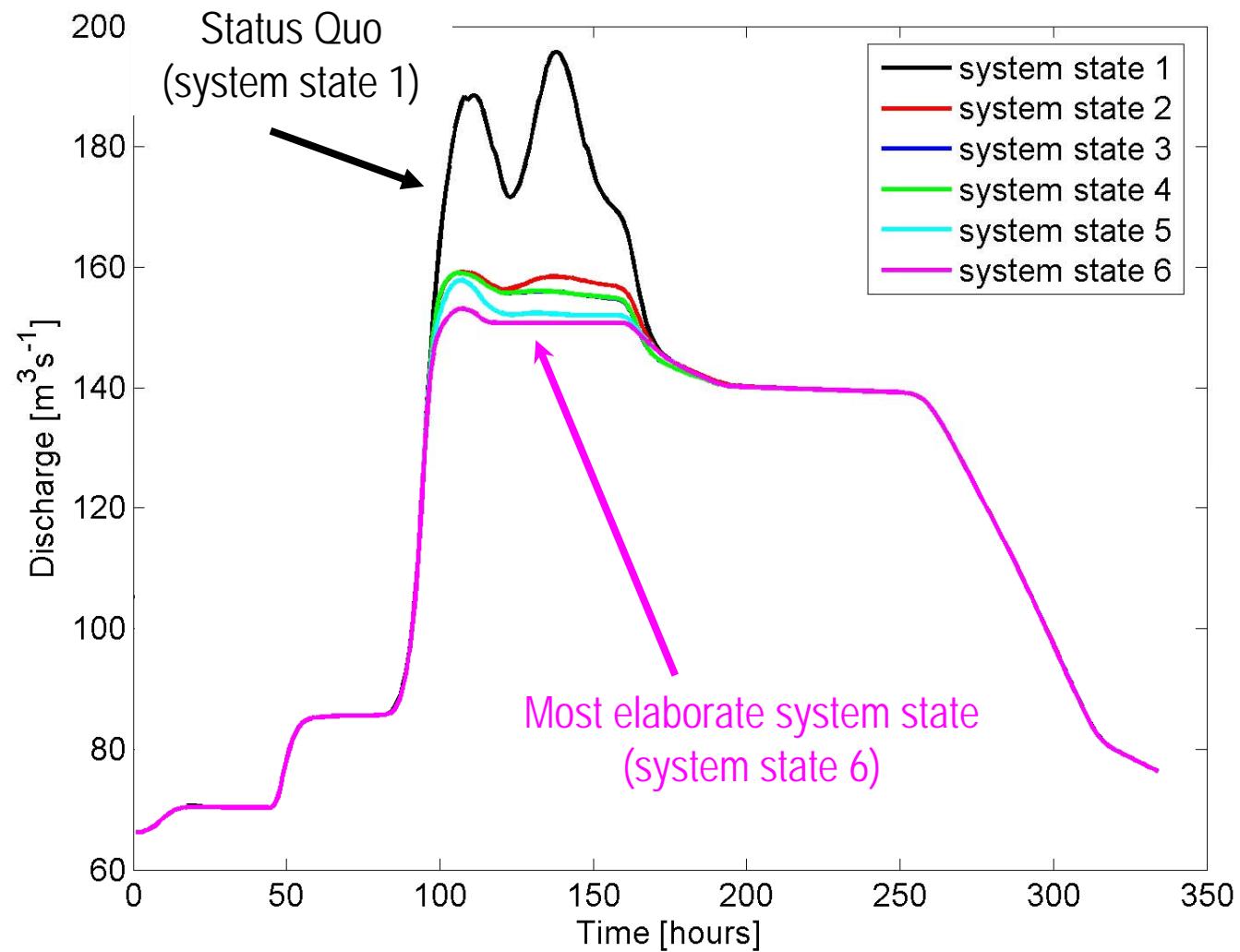


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Wangen (return period 200 years at Straußfurt)



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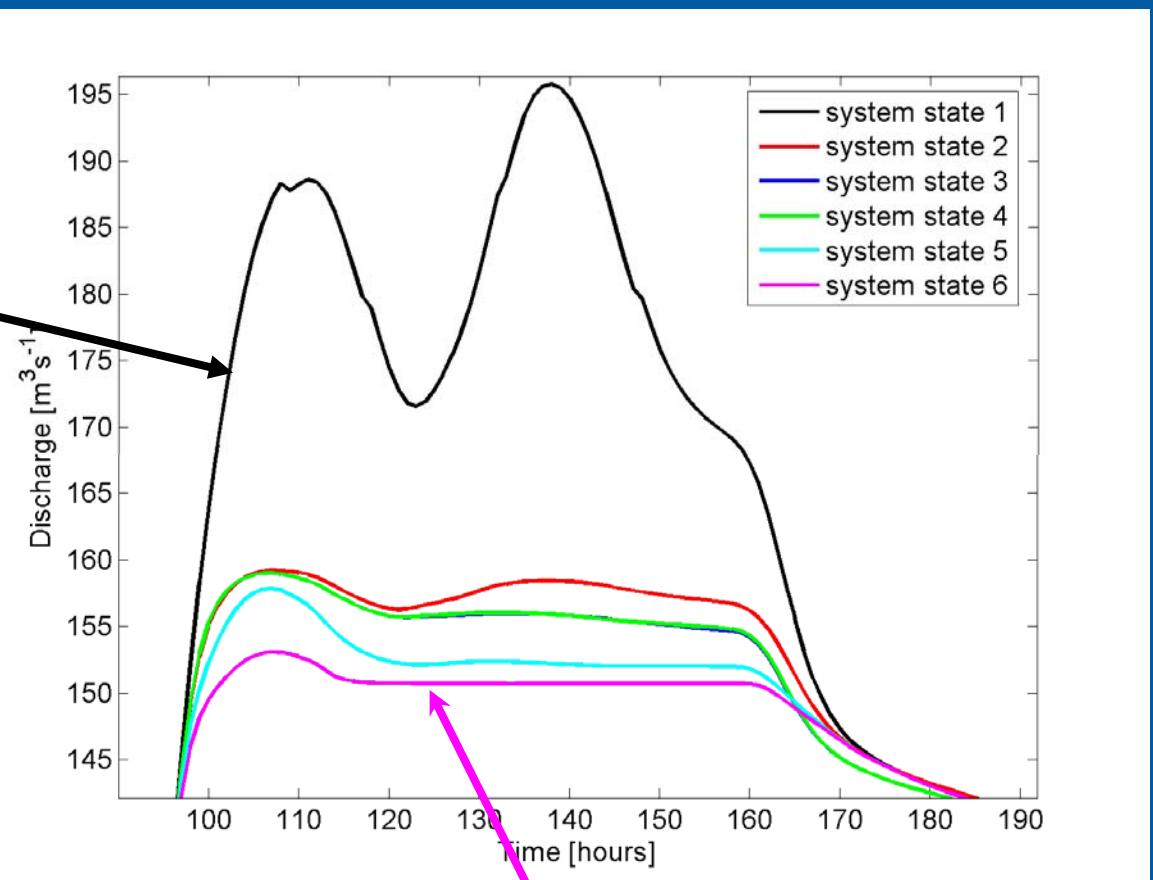
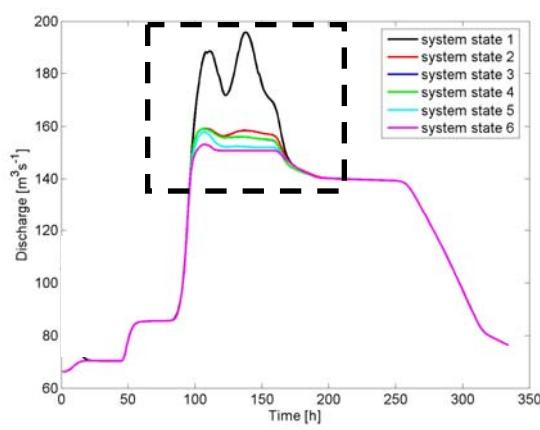
state 1 vs 6
23% peak reduction



Application

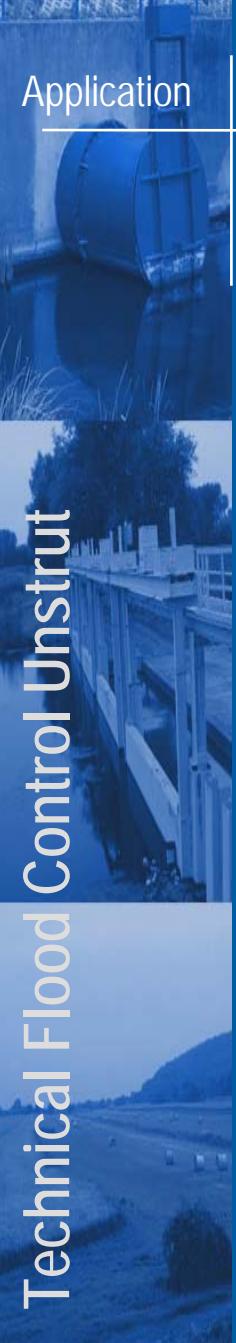
Wangen (return period 200 years at Straußfurt)

Status Quo
(system state 1)



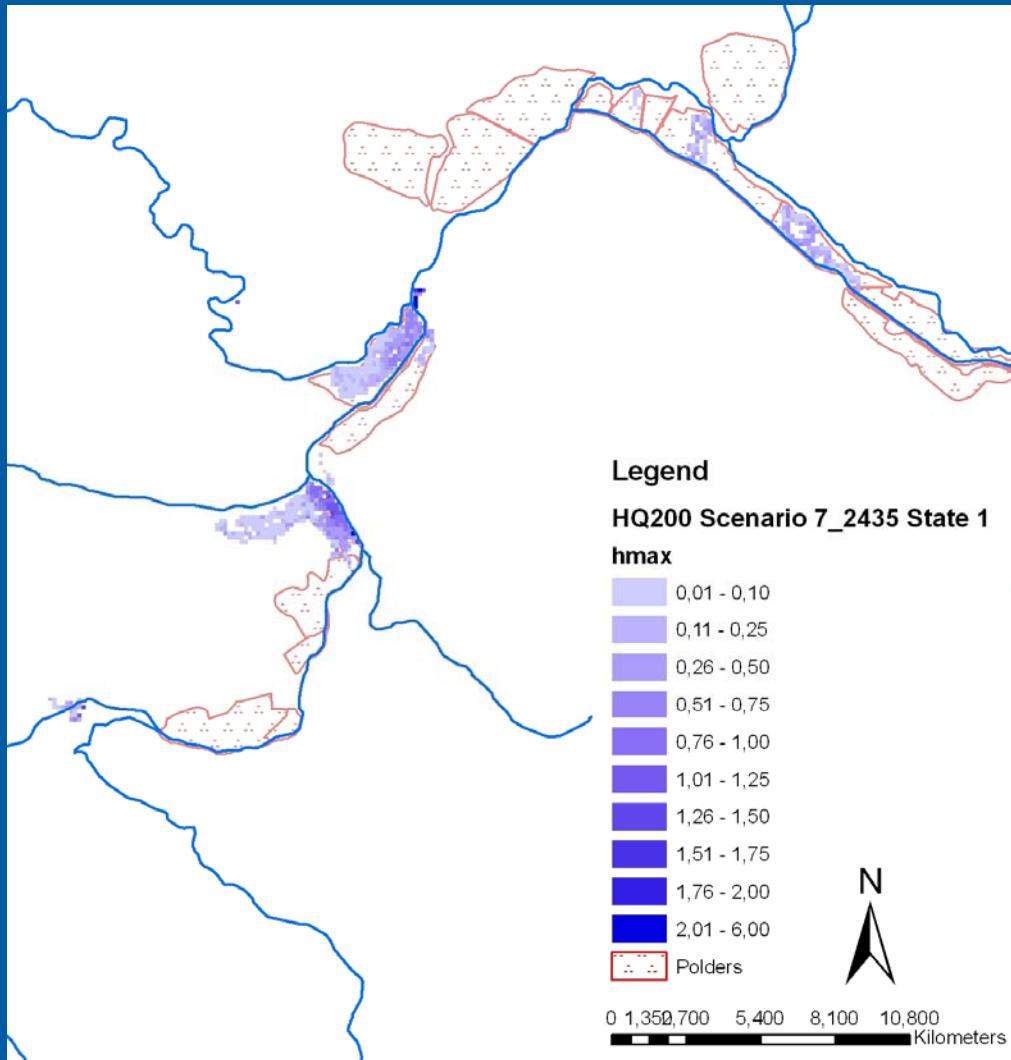
Most elaborate system state
(system state 6)

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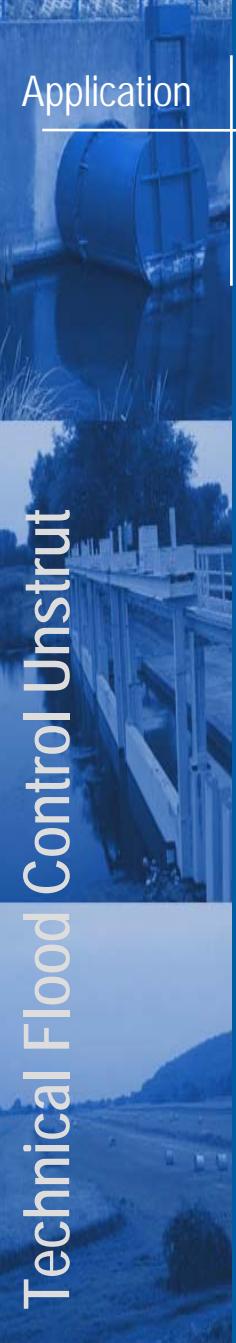
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Inundation area (return period 200 years at Straußfurt)



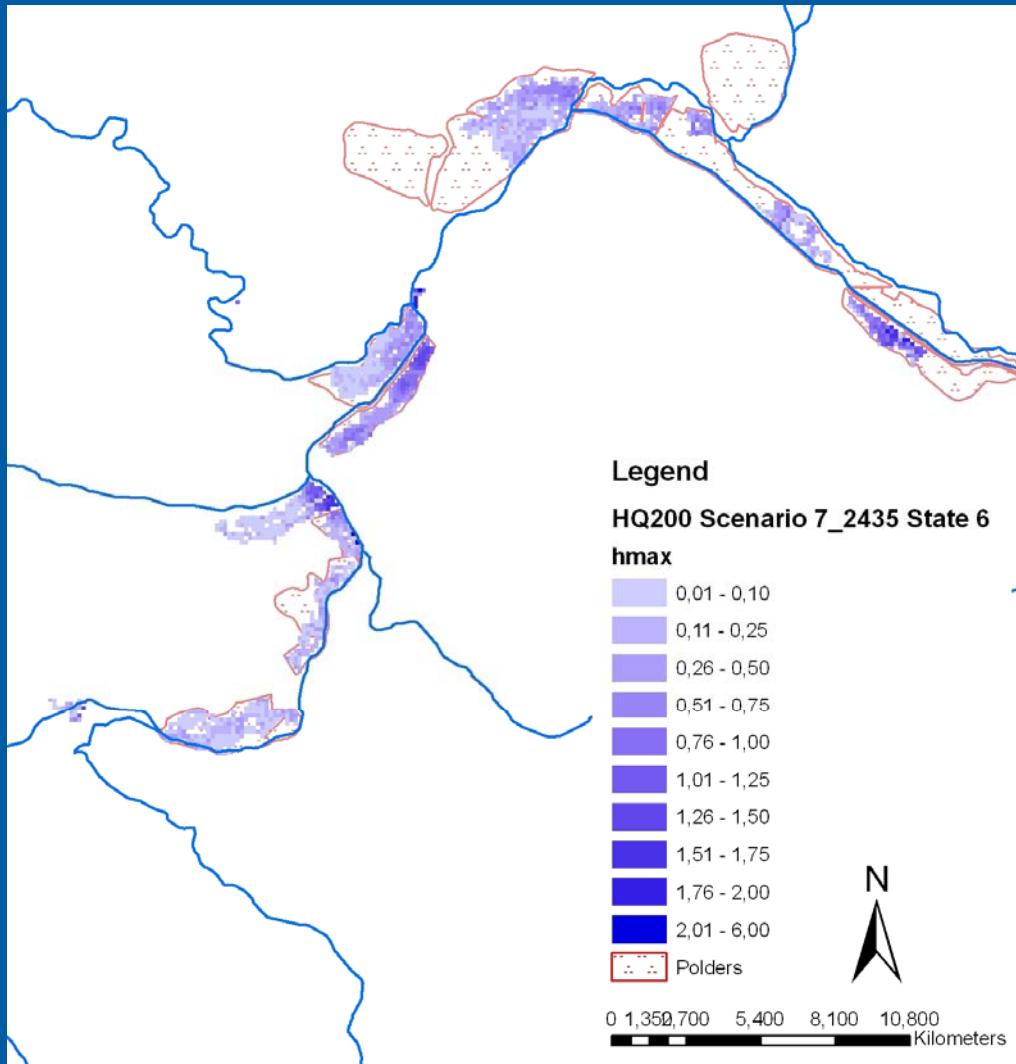
Inundation area
for system state 1

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Inundation area (return period 200 years at Straußfurt)



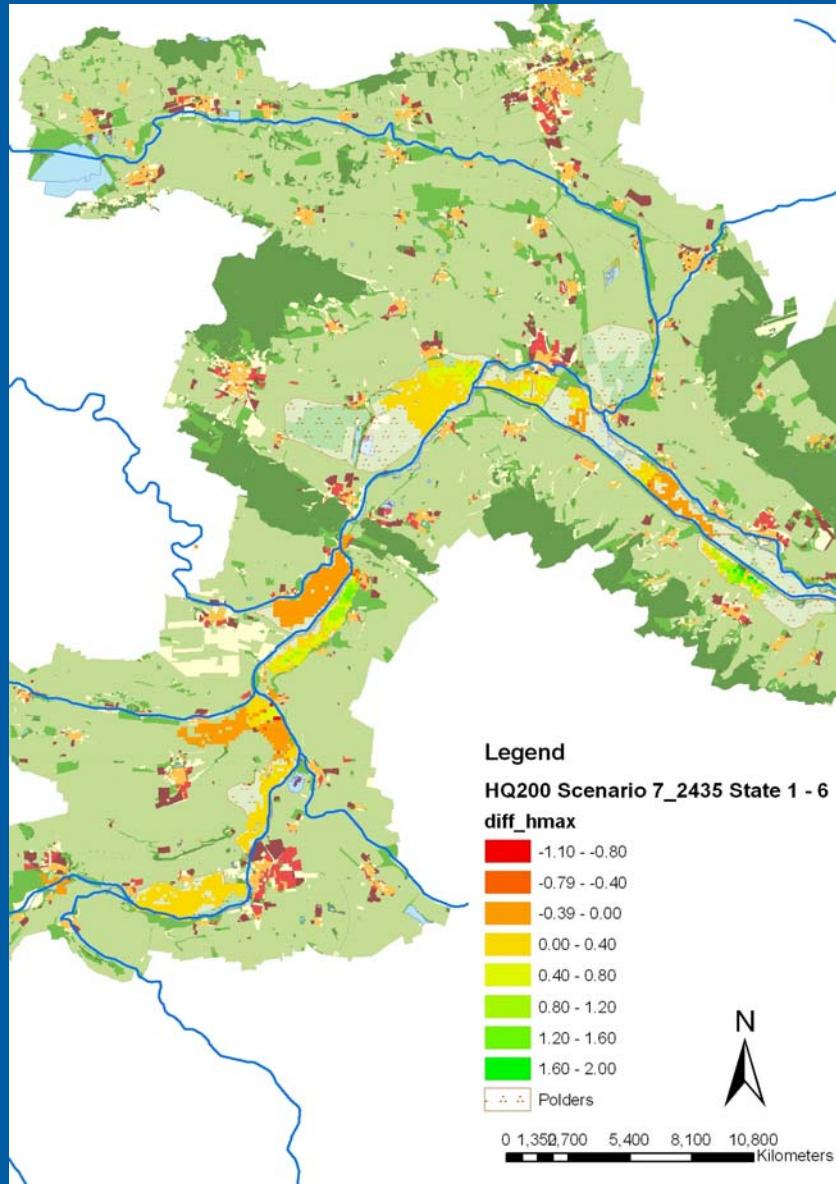
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Difference in inundation area (return period 200 years at Straußfurt)

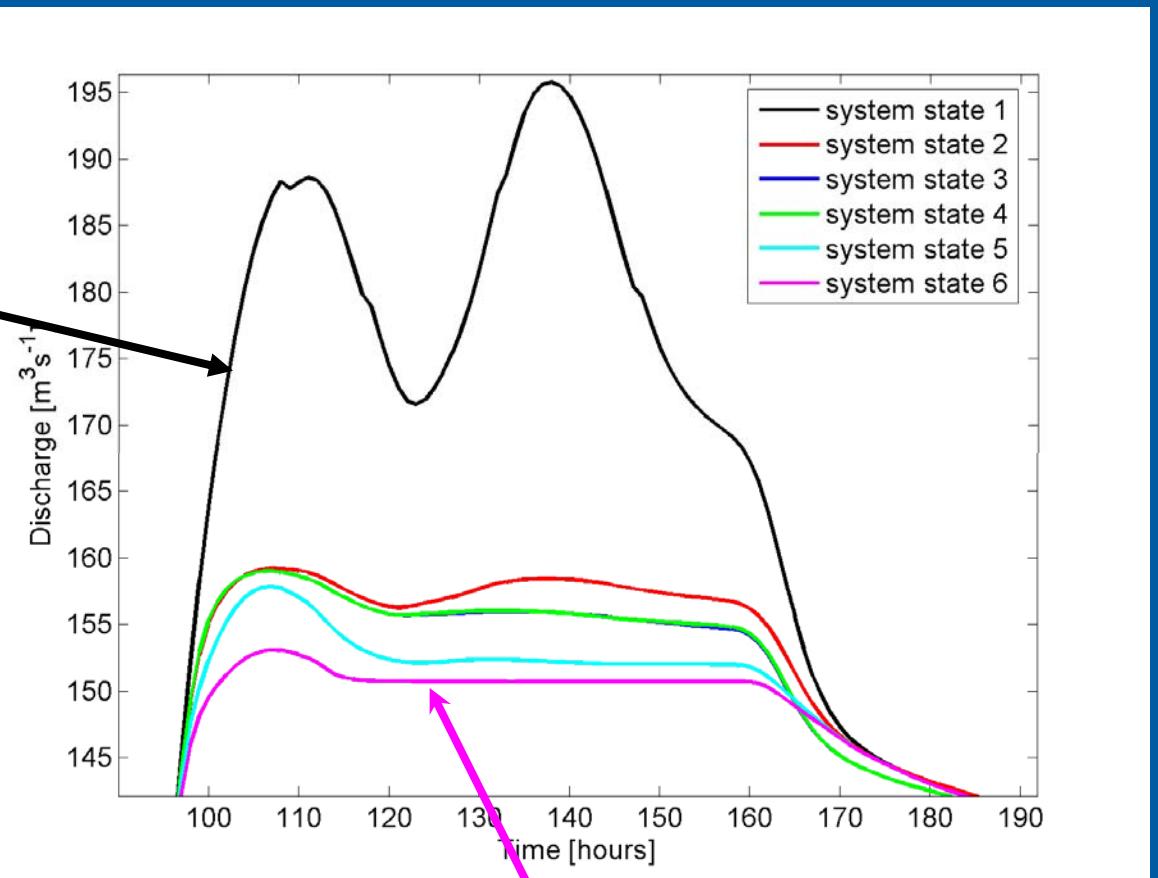
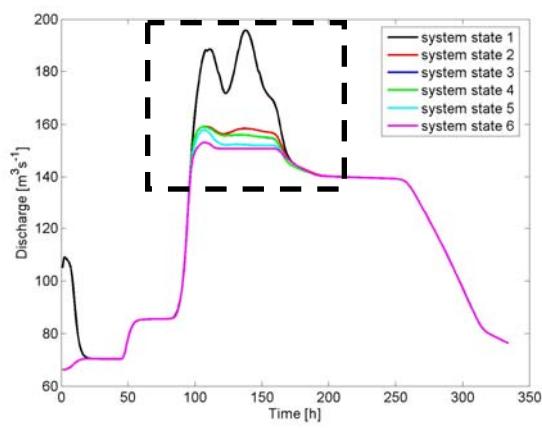




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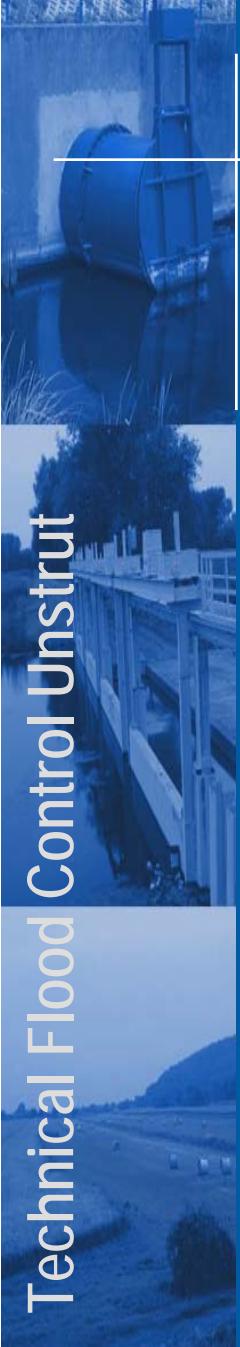


Most elaborate system state
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Outline

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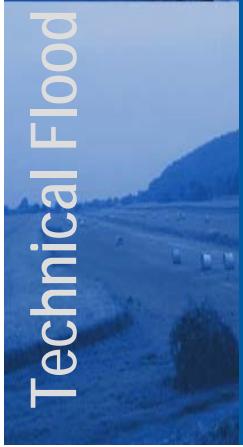
Summary and Outlook

Summary

- Elements of an assessment and optimization methodology for flood control systems have been introduced
- The assessment methodology makes use of a broad range of flood scenarios, rather than using one single design flood
- Combined with socio-economic analysis and multi criteria decision making the methodology is suitable for planning complex flood control systems

Outlook

- Assessment of the entire set of 186 scenarios, in combination with socio-economic analysis and multi-criteria decision making



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Thank you for your attention !