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## Mixed-Integer Optimization Of Flood Control Measures Using Evolutionary Algorithms

# Outline

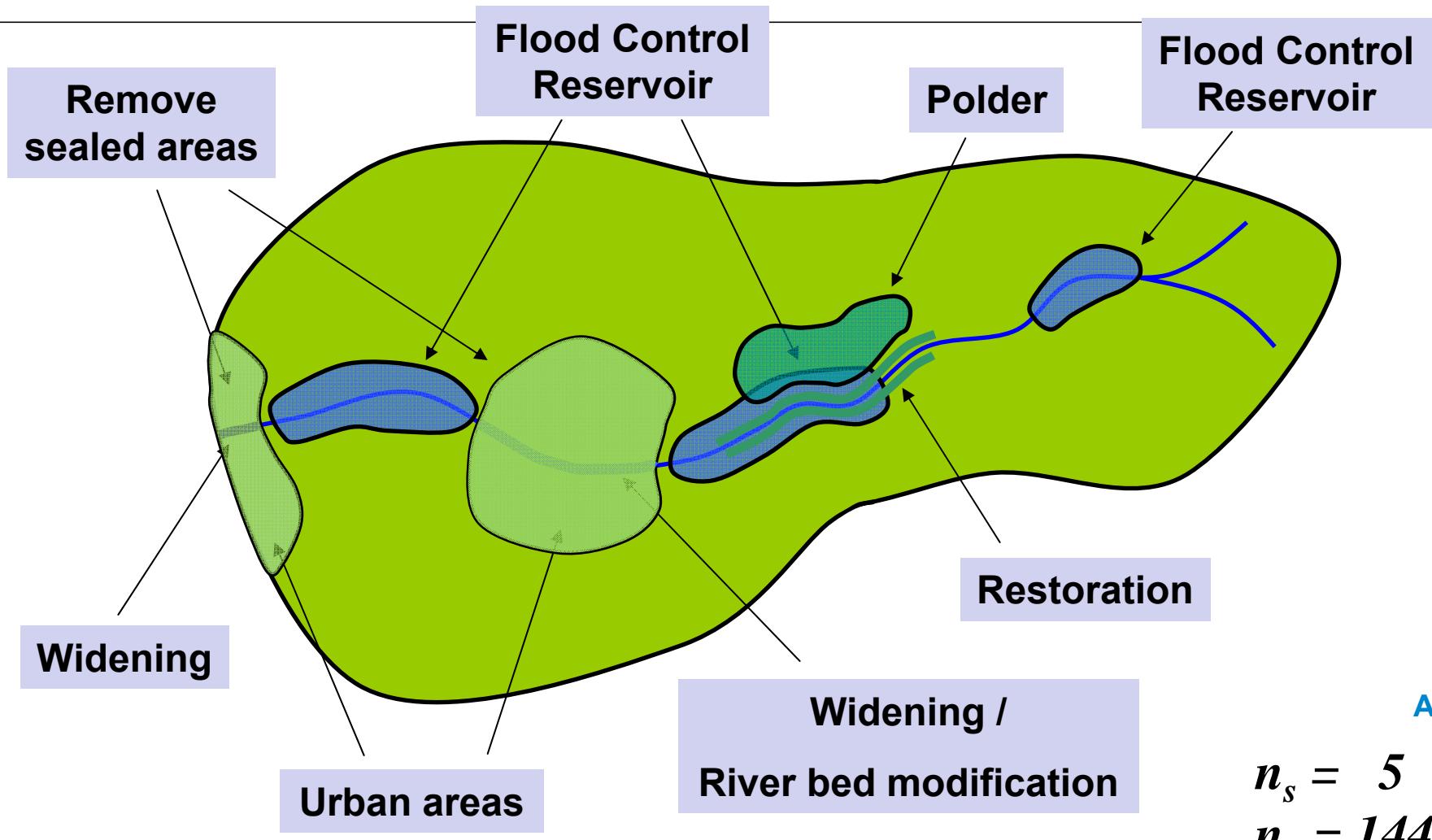
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- Pareto Optimal
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# Introduction

- Flood control should be considered integrated
- Resources should be used efficient and effective
- European Commission proposes new flood protection directive
- Costs Benefit is considered as key point
- Considering integrated flood control rises the modeling complexity
- Optimization of a huge bandwidth of flood control strategies is at present limited

# Introduction





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- (HUGHES 1971) Optimierung der Abgabestrategien durch **Lagrange Multiplikatoren**
- (MEYER-ZURWELLE 1975) Optimierung der Abgabestrategien von Hochwasserspeichersystemen durch **Dynamische Programmierung (DP)**
- (BOGÁRDI 1979) Optimierung der Ausbaureihenfolge von Hochwasserrückhaltebecken durch **Branch-and-Bound Verfahren**
- (BAUMGARTNER 1980) Optimierung Hochwasser-Steuerungsprozesse durch **reduzierte Gradienten Verfahren**
- (MAYS & BEDIENT 1982), (BENNETT & MAYS 1985) und (TAUR ET AL. 1987) setzen Dynamische Programmierung zur Optimierung von HWS-Maßnahmen ein
- (ORMSBEE, HOUCK, & DELLEUR 1987) erweitern die Anwendung der **Dynamischen Programmierung** auf **zwei** verschiedene Zielsetzungen.
- (OTERO ET AL. 1995) setzen **genetische Algorithmen**
- (LOHR 2001) optimiert Betriebsregeln Wasserwirtschaftlicher Speichersysteme mit **evolutionsstrategischen Algorithmen**.
- (BRASS 2006) optimiert den Betrieb von Talsperrensystemen allerdings mittels **Stochastisch Dynamischer Programmierung (SDP)**



# Introduction

- Development of an **integrated Modeling System**, which allows multicriteria optimization of flood control strategies

Hydrologic Model  
**BlueM<sub>R</sub>**

+

**BlueM<sub>EVO</sub>**  
for Real Variables

+

**BlueM<sub>EVO</sub>**  
for Combinatorial  
Problems

- Optimization of flood control measures according the type of the measure, its location and its specific parameters
- Enable „**a posteriori**“ **decision making** by the use of multicriteria evolutionary optimization and Pareto Optimal Solutions
- The use of evolutionary algorithms allows optimization without reducing the complexity of the models



# Mixed-Integer Optimization

- **Continuous variables**

These are variables that can change gradually in arbitrarily small steps

- **Ordinal discrete variables**

These are variables that can be changed gradually but there are minimum step size

(e.g. discretized levels, integer quantities)

- **Nominal discrete variables**

These are discrete parameters with no reasonable ordering

(e.g. discrete choices from an unordered list/set of alternatives, binary decisions).



# Mixed-Integer Optimization

Objective Function:  $f(r_1, \dots, r_{n_r}, z_1, \dots, z_{n_z}, d_1, \dots, d_{n_d}) \rightarrow \min$   
*with:*

**Continuous variables:**  $r_i \in [r_i^{\min}, r_i^{\max}] \subset \mathbf{R}, i = 1, \dots, n_r$

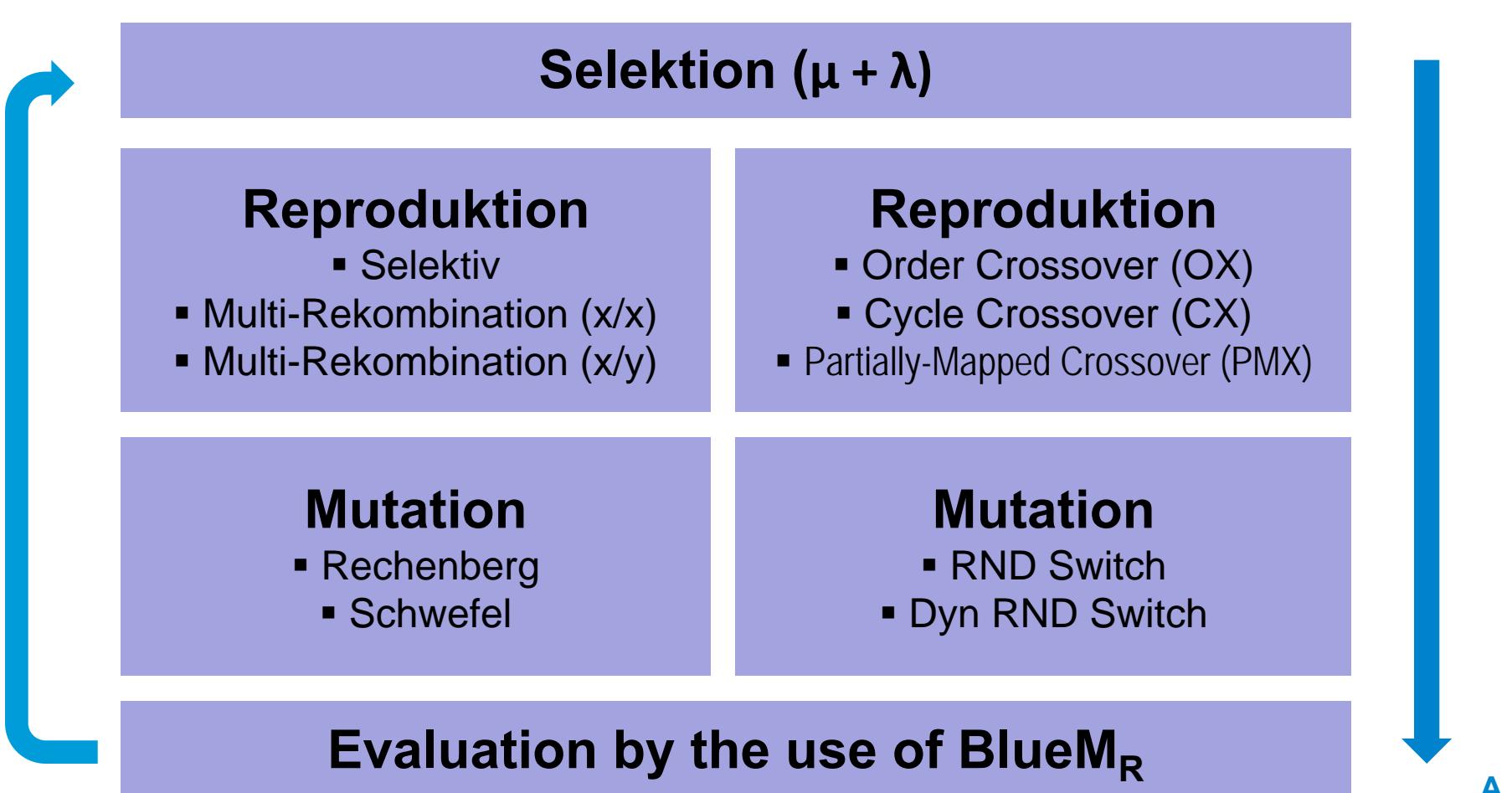
**Ordinal discrete variables:**  $z_i \in [z_i^{\min}, z_i^{\max}] \subset \mathbf{Z}, i = 1, \dots, n_z$

**Nominal discrete variables:**  $d_i \in D_i = \{d_{i,1}, \dots, d_{i,|D_i|}\}, i = 1, \dots, n_d$

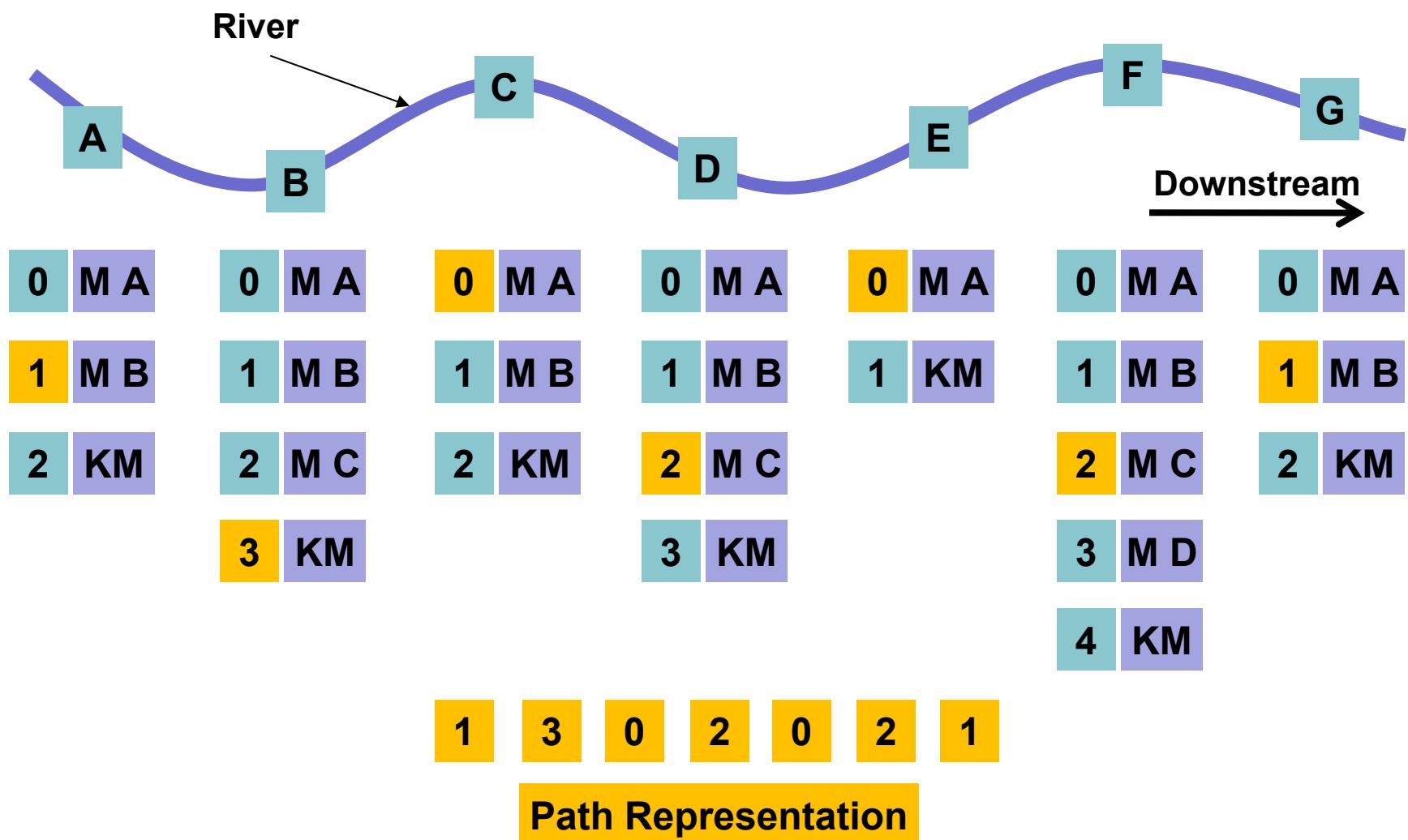


# Processes of ES-Optimization

## Continuous variables      Nominal discrete variables

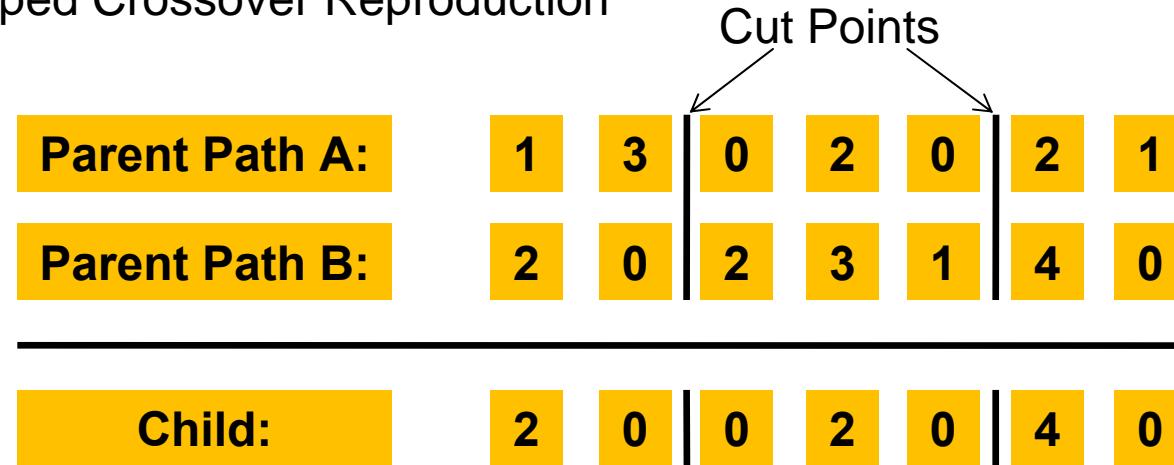


# Nominal discrete Problem & Mixed-Integer Optimization

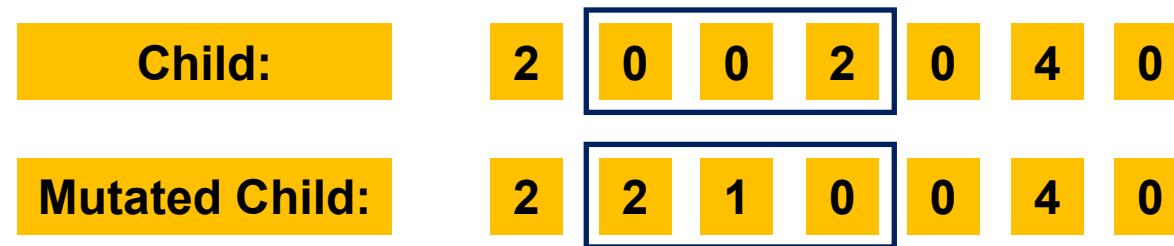


# Mixed-Integer Optimization

## Partially Mapped Crossover Reproduction



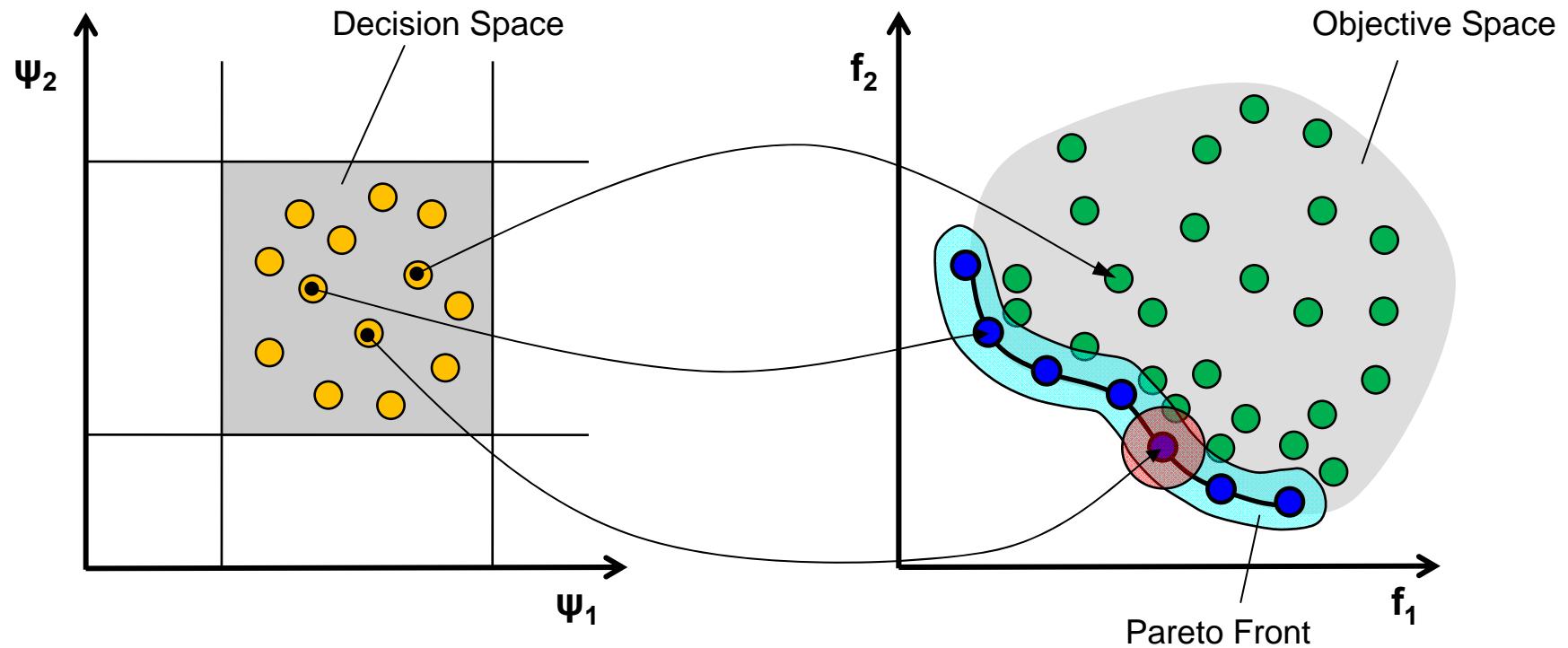
## Sub Path Mutation



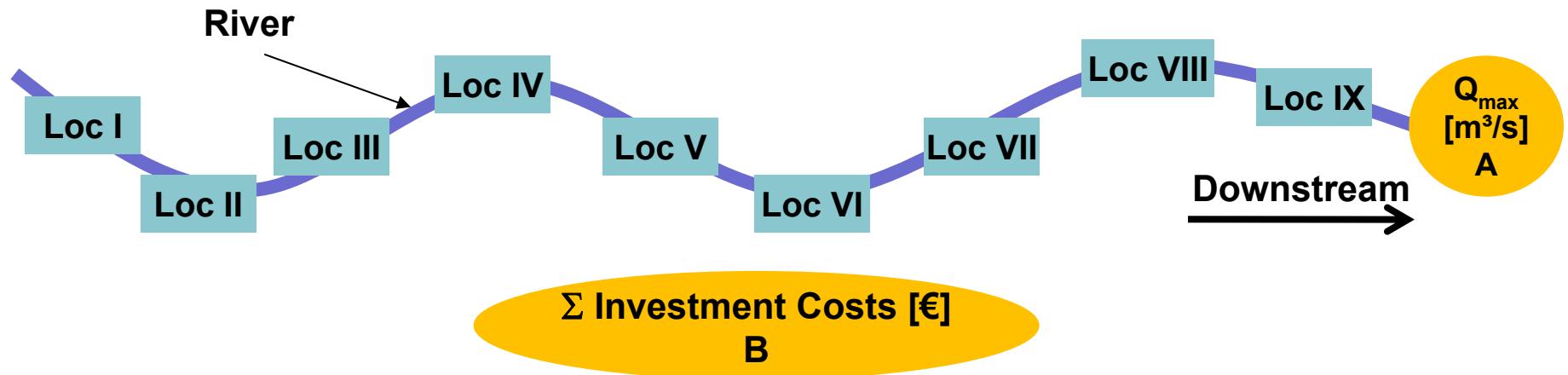
# Pareto efficiency / Pareto optimality

- In case of mono-criteria problems only one exact solution
- Reduction of the multi-criteria problems to mono-criteria problems by the use of weighting vectors
- Subjective and arbitrary decisions
- In the case of flood control optimisation -> multicriteria problem
- No single solution
- Search for a set of solutions where each solution is optimal
- Aim is to find solutions where an improvement of an objective value can only be achieved by degradation of another objective value
- This set es called **Pareto efficiency** or **Pareto optimal**

# Pareto Optimal



# Use Case River Erft Combinatorial Optimization



## Objective A:

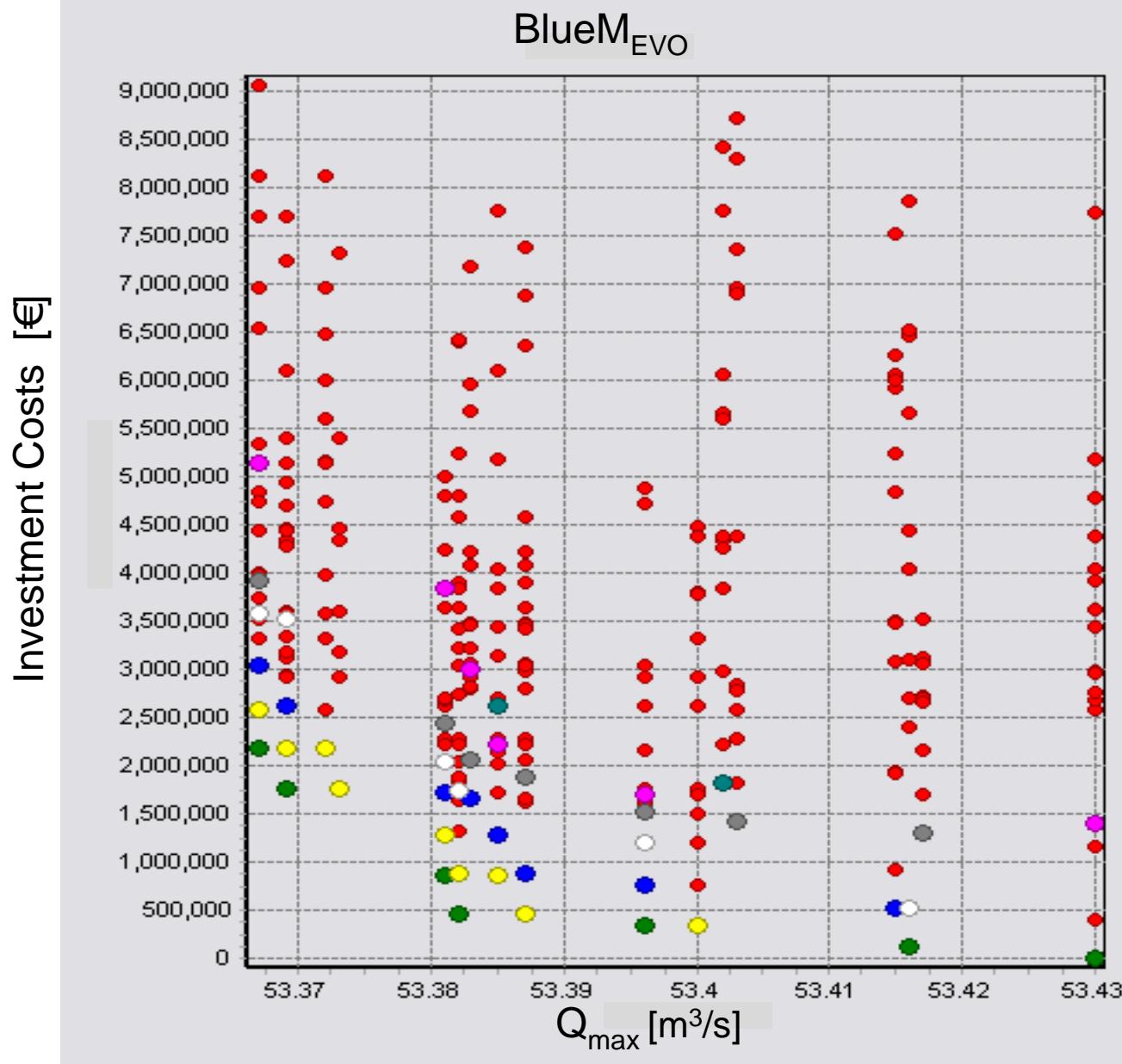
Minimization of the maximum discharge

$$z_a = \max_t [Q_t]$$

## Objective B:

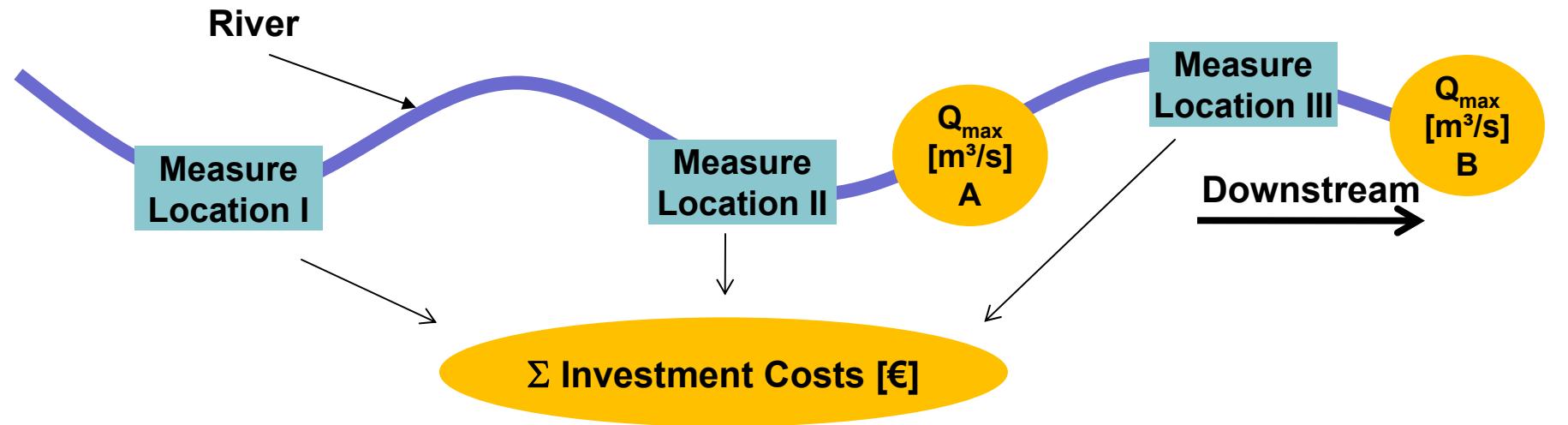
Reducing the Investment costs

$$z_k = \sum_{n=1}^N C_n$$



# Use Case Erft + Testsystem

## Mixed-Integer Optimization



0	Basin	V, CS, ...	0	Polder	0	Basin		
1	Dike high.		1	Restauration	$k_{st}$ , L, ...	1	Bypass	L, W, ...
2	No Measure		2	Bypass		2	No Measure	
			3	No Measure				

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# Use Case Erft + Testsystem Mixed-Integer Optimization

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## Objective B:

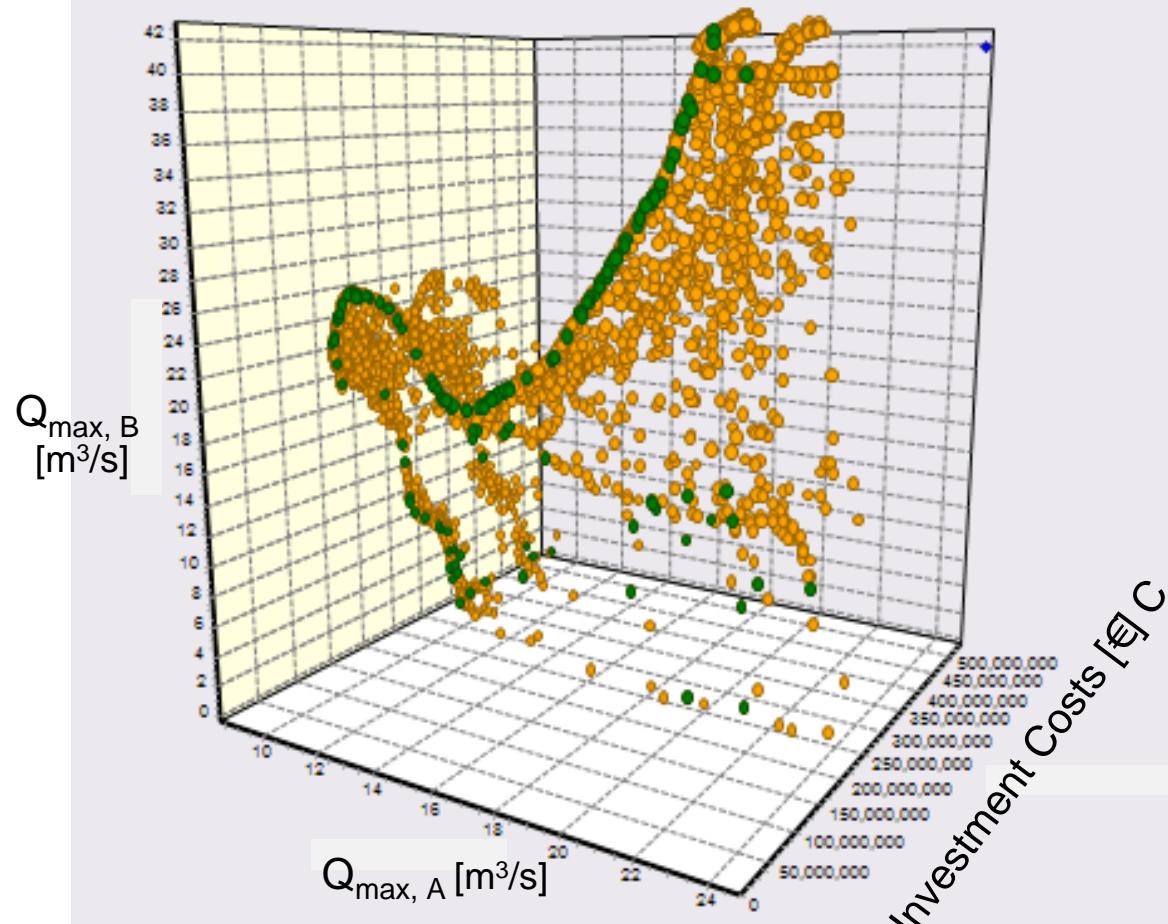
minimization of the maximum discharge

$$z_b = \max_t [Q_t]$$

## Objective C:

Reducing the Investment costs

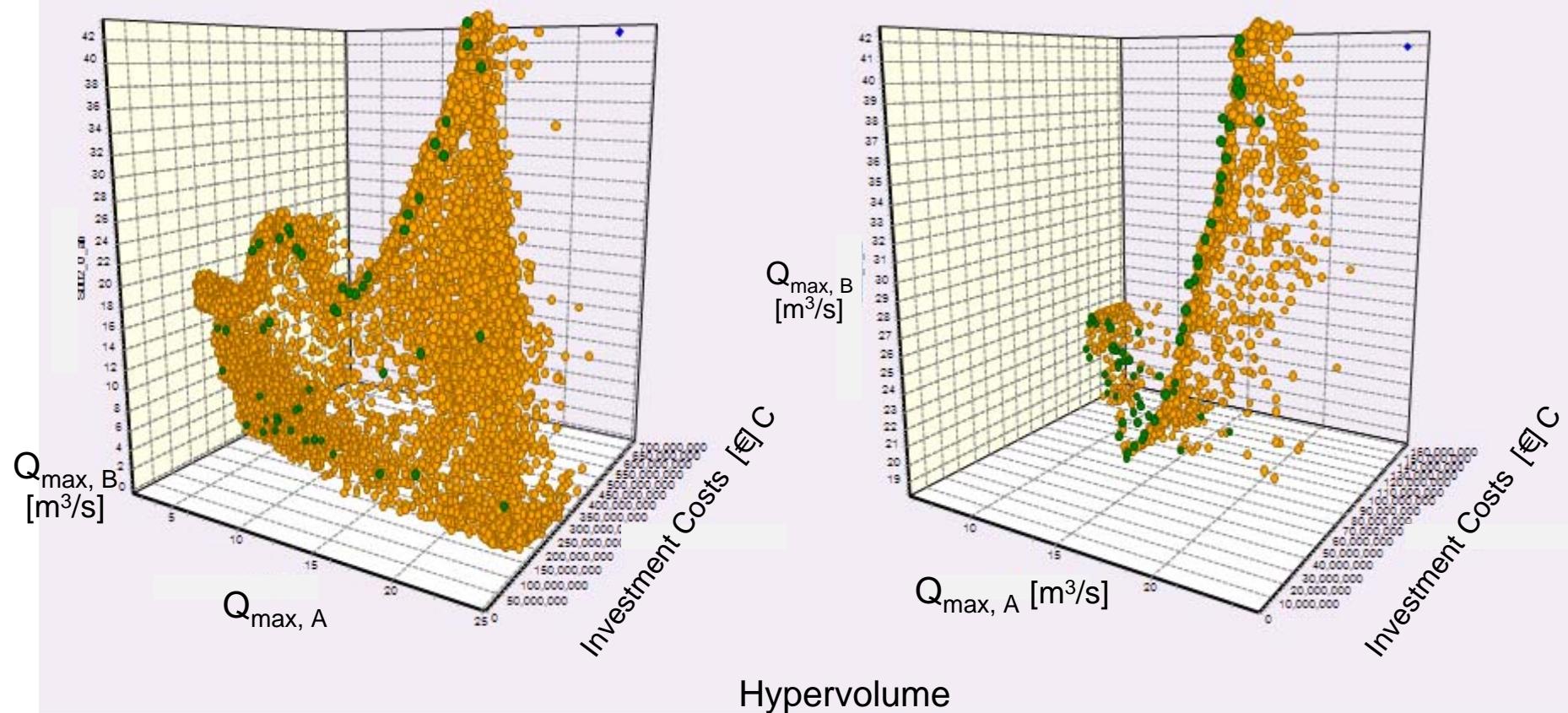
$$z_k = \sum_{n=1}^N C_n$$



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BlueM<sub>EVO</sub>

06\_Tsim\_Hybrid\_3\_Ziele\_mitLänge.mdb



# Conclusions / Outlook

- Used model and optimization system BlueM<sub>R</sub> + BlueM<sub>EVO</sub> allows Optimization of flood control measures fast and reliable
- No restriction concerning the used model, because of the separation of modeling and optimization system
- Hydraulic interconnection and influence of the measures is always considered
- Defining the optimization variables is complex
- Fast and efficient scan of the hole solution space
- Algorithm is able to find the global optima
- Deliberate use of results
- Enhancement of the optimization algorithms for ordinal discrete variables
- Parallel optimization

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*Thank you very much  
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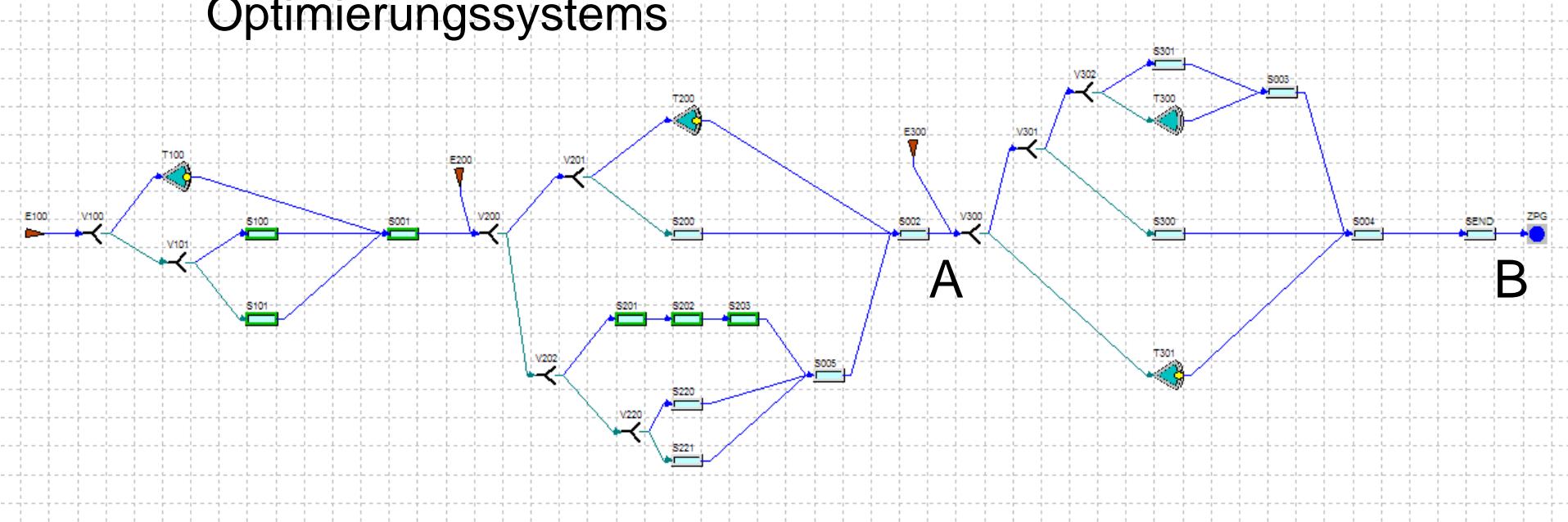
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# Outline

## Schema des Optimierungssystems





# Optimierung der HW-Maßnahmen

