A SUPPORT SYSTEM FOR THE LONG-TERM ANALYSIS OF CLIMATE SCENARIOS WITH SWAT

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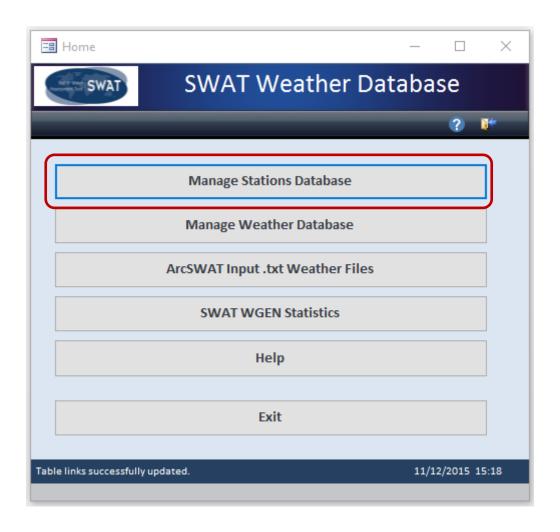
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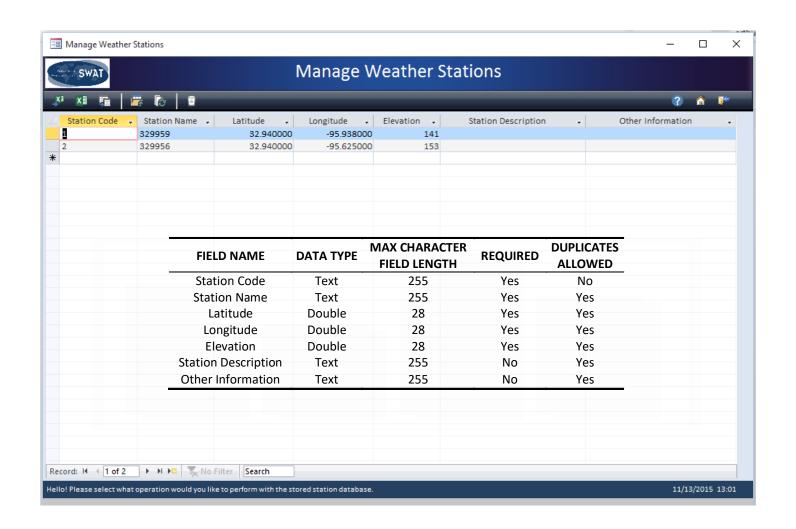
#### **INTRODUCTION**

- Motivation & Background
  - Need to process weather data coming from different datasets, for different stations and for large simulation periods
  - Need to efficiently calculate WGEN statistics
- The SWAT Weather Database Tool:
  - Designed to be an efficient, user friendly tool to manage weather data
  - Capable of:
    - Storing and processing weather data
    - Easily creating the input .txt weather files
    - Efficiently calculating the WGEN statistics of several stations in one-step run
  - Suitable for beginners (new project set-up) and advanced (large weather datasets) SWAT users
  - Requirements:
    - A Windows operating system;
    - A recent copy of Microsoft Access and Microsoft Excel, and;
    - A .pdf reader (e.g. Adobe Acrobat Reader).

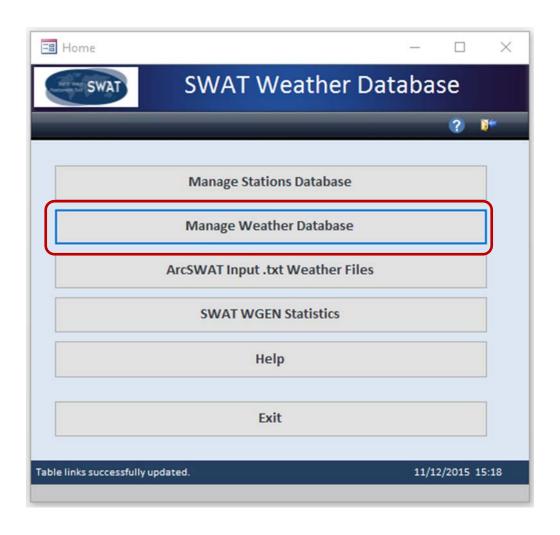




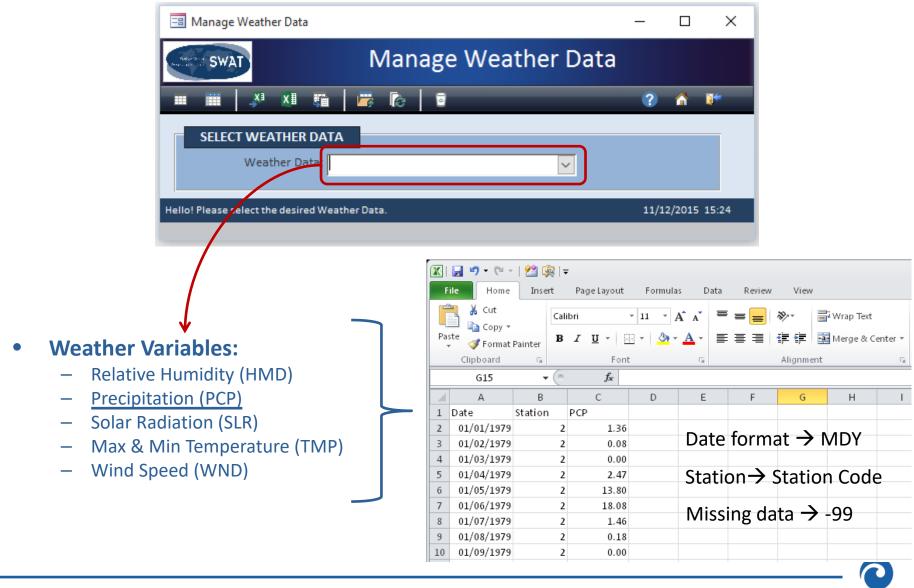


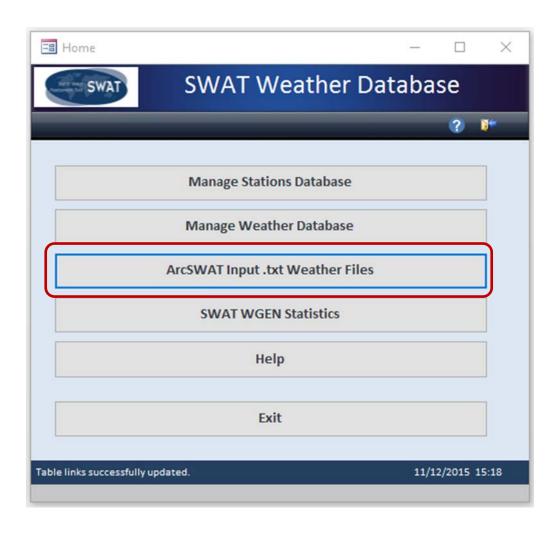




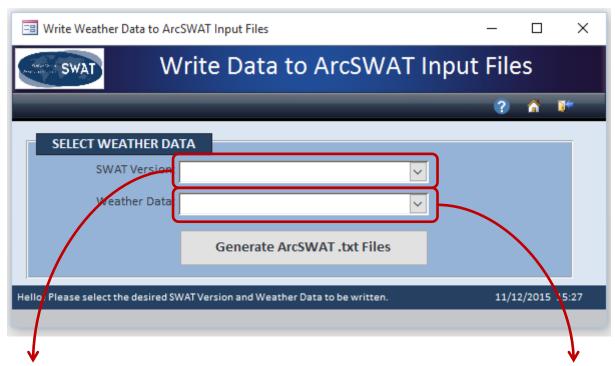








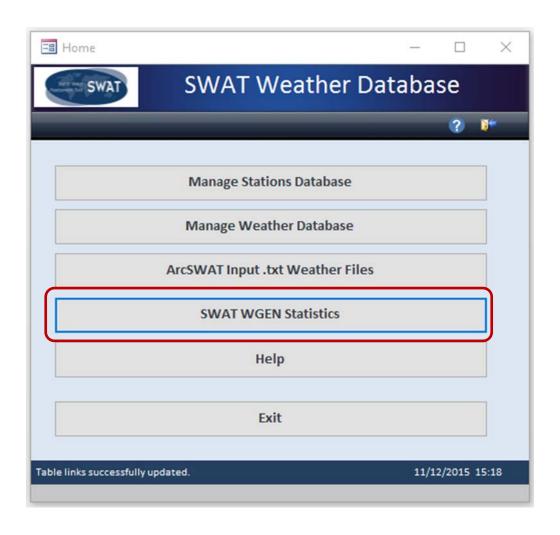




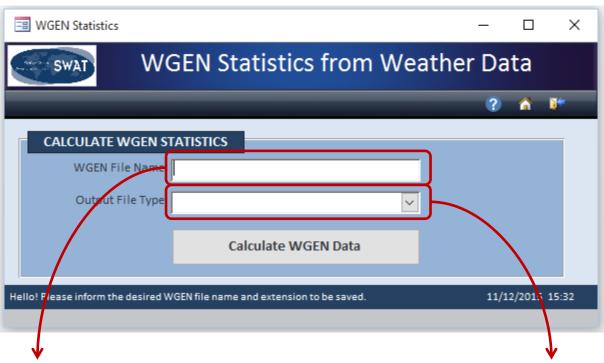
- SWAT Version:
  - 2009
  - -2012

- Weather Variables:
  - Relative Humidity (HMD)
  - Precipitation (PCP)
  - Solar Radiation (SLR)
  - Max & Min Temperature (TMP)
  - Wind Speed (WND)









 User can specify the name of the WGEN output file

- Output file type:
  - .xls
  - .xlsx
  - .csv
  - .txt



- Some last remarks on the calculation of WGEN statistics:
  - RAIN\_YRS (number of years of maximum monthly half-hour rainfall) is currently not calculated by the application. A default value of RAIN\_YRS = 10 is assumed for all weather stations.
  - RAINHHMX (maximum half-hour rainfall in entire period of record for month) is estimated as being the average of 1/3 of the maximum recorded daily rainfall for that month.
  - DEWPT (Average daily dew point temperature for each month) is actually the relative humidity (fraction). See the SWAT Input/Output Documentation for further details.

In case any of the above remarks constrains the computation of a particular WGEN statistics, users may always post-update these values before uploading the results to a SWAT project.



## **EXAMPLE CASE STUDY**

#### The problem

 The complex relationship between a generally increasing demand/competition for freshwater resources in the agricultural sector and the possible negative effects of climate change on the supply of this resource

#### The objective of the study

 To explore how climate change may impact the agricultural sector of the Venice Lagoon Watershed, in north-eastern Italy, in terms of availability of freshwater resources for irrigation

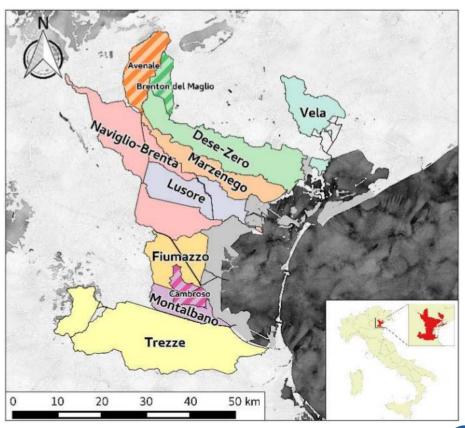
#### The case study

#### – Area:

• Lagoon:  $\simeq 500 \text{ km}^2$ ; • VLW:  $\simeq 2,000 \text{ km}^2$ 

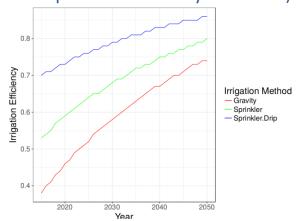
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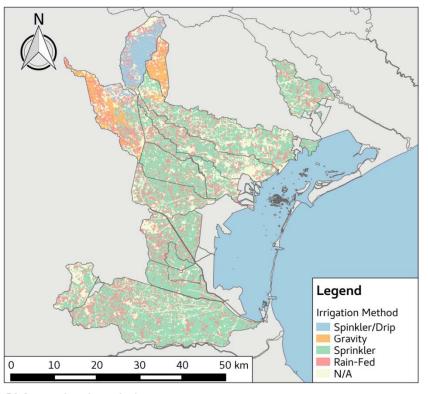
- Complex drainage network system;
- Complex irrigation schedule;
- Mainly agricultural areas (maize, soybean);



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- The methodology
  - Evaluation of two distinct irrigation scenarios:
    - <u>Baseline</u> (irrigation efficiencies are kept constant), and;
    - **Evolutionary** (irrigation efficiencies improve consistently over time).



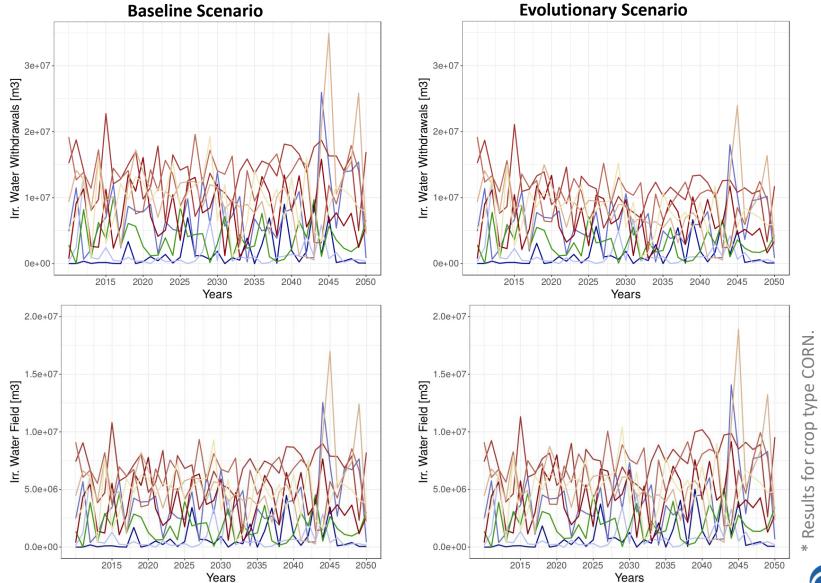


List of considered GCMs and related data.

Project	RCM	GCM	Experiment	Spatial Resolution	Frequency
COSMO-CLM <sup>1</sup>	COSMO-CLM	CMCC-CM	rcp45	0.0715°	daily
EURO-CORDEX EUR-112	SMHI-RCA4 v1	CNRM-CERFACS-CNRM-CM5	rcp45	0.11°	daily
EURO-CORDEX EUR-112	SMHI-RCA4 v1	ICHEC-EC-EARTH	rcp45	0.11°	daily
EURO-CORDEX EUR-112	SMHI-RCA4 v1	IPSL-IPSL-CM5A-MR	rcp45	0.11°	daily
EURO-CORDEX EUR-112	SMHI-RCA4 v1	MOHC-HadGEM2-ES	rcp45	0.11°	daily
EURO-CORDEX EUR-112	SMHI-RCA4 v1	MPI-M-MPI-ESM-LR	rcp45	0.11°	daily
EURO-CORDEX EUR-112	CCLM4-8-17 v1	CNRM-CERFACS-CNRM-CM5	rcp45	0.11°	daily
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#### **WAY FORWARD**

- Improve the stability of the software
- Improve the compatibility with the latest MS Access when calculation the WGEN statistics
- Addition of plots, tables, and similar support graphical interfaces to assist the analysis of the weather data
- Implementation of a multi-scenario/multi-model support (import data from NetCDF files & connection with R)



# **Thank You!**

