A Study On The Impact Of Errors In Weather Parameters Generated By Stochastic Weather Generators In Hydrologic Simulations

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Introduction

- Weather data with high spatio temporal resolution are needed for impact assessment studies
- Accuracy and availability of observed data is critical
 - generating realistic sequences of weather information
- Widely measured weather variables
 - rainfall and temperature
- Relative humidity, Solar radiation
 - rarely measured
 - lacks long series of historic data
- Stochastic weather generators provide weather variables
- Weather generator generates daily weather time series using statistical approach
- Precipitation is the prime among all the weather variables in weather generators

Objectives of the study

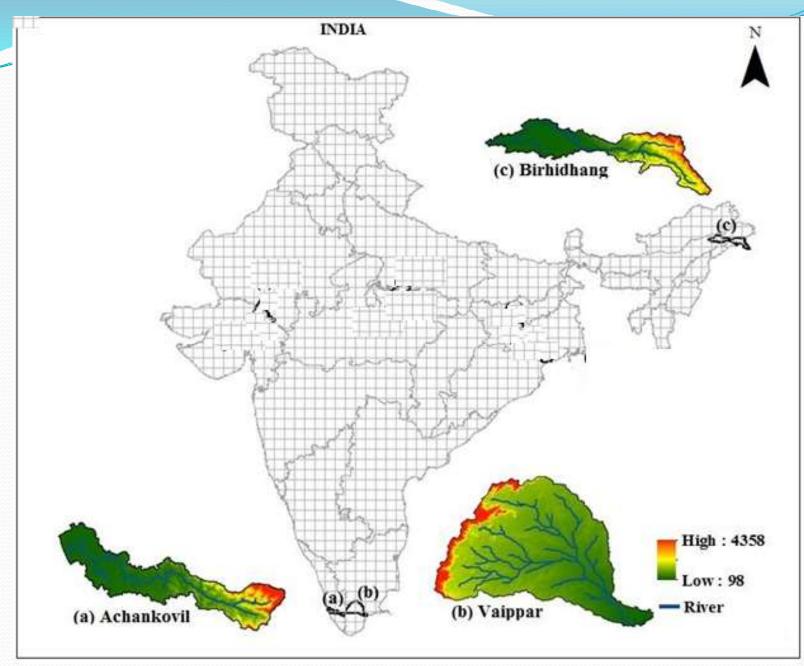
- To assess the impact of error in weather parameters on the performance of statistical Weather Generators.
- To assess the effectiveness of statistical weather generators in hydrologic simulations using SWAT.
 - Watersheds with different hydrological characteristics.

Study Area

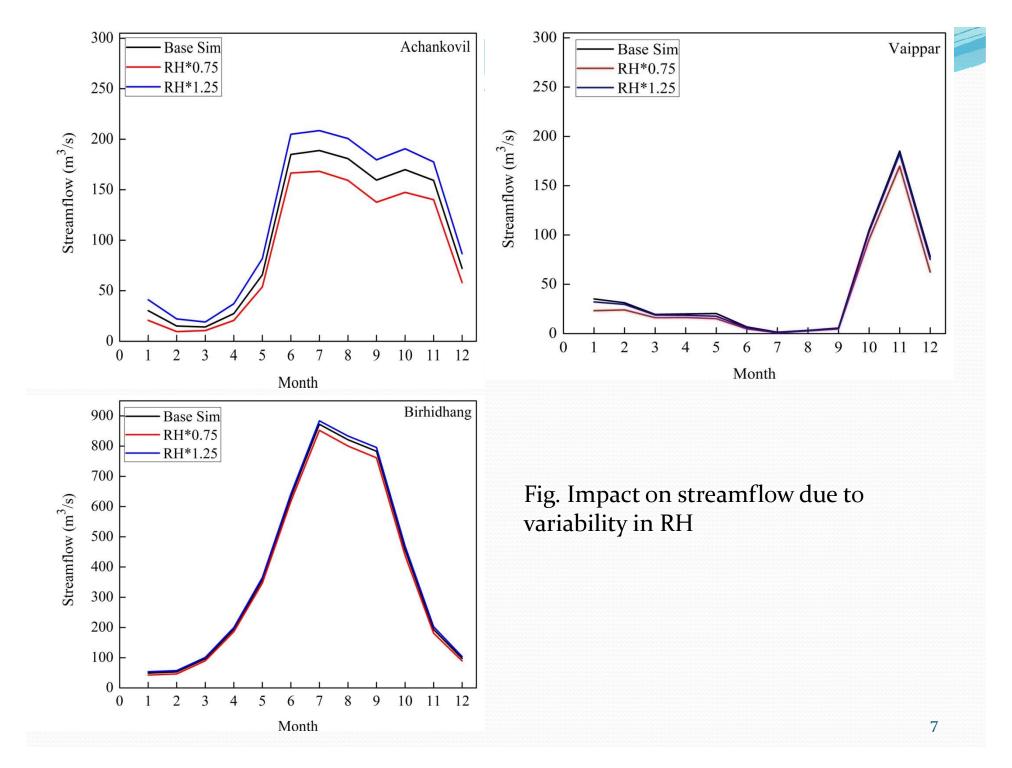
- Achankovil(Tropical Wet)
- Vaippar (Semi arid)
- Birhidhang(Humid sub tropical with no dry season)

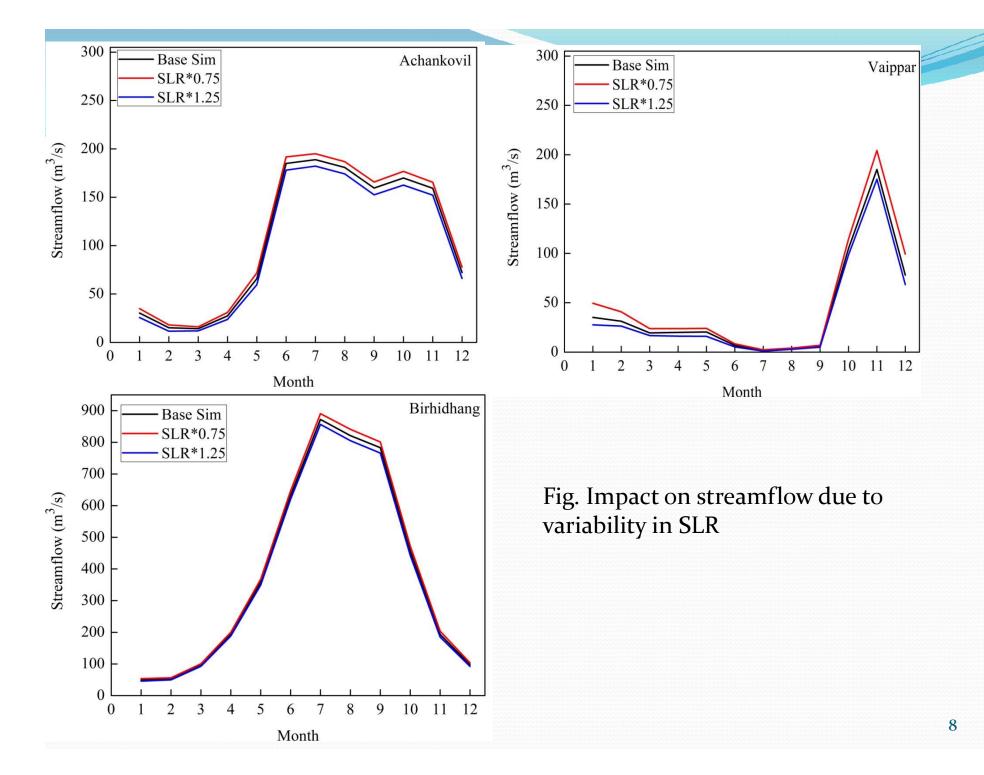
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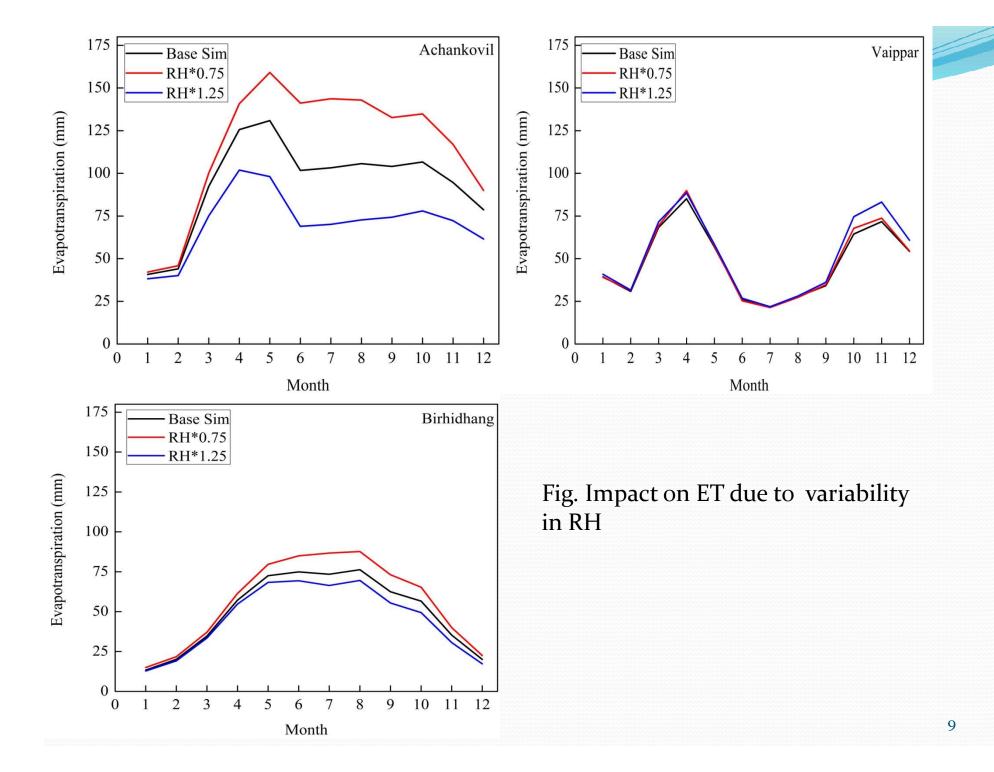
- Climate Forecast System Reanalysis (CFSR) weather data (1979-2014)
- CLIGEN
- Scenarios $\pm 10\%$ and $\pm 25\%$ error in RH and SR

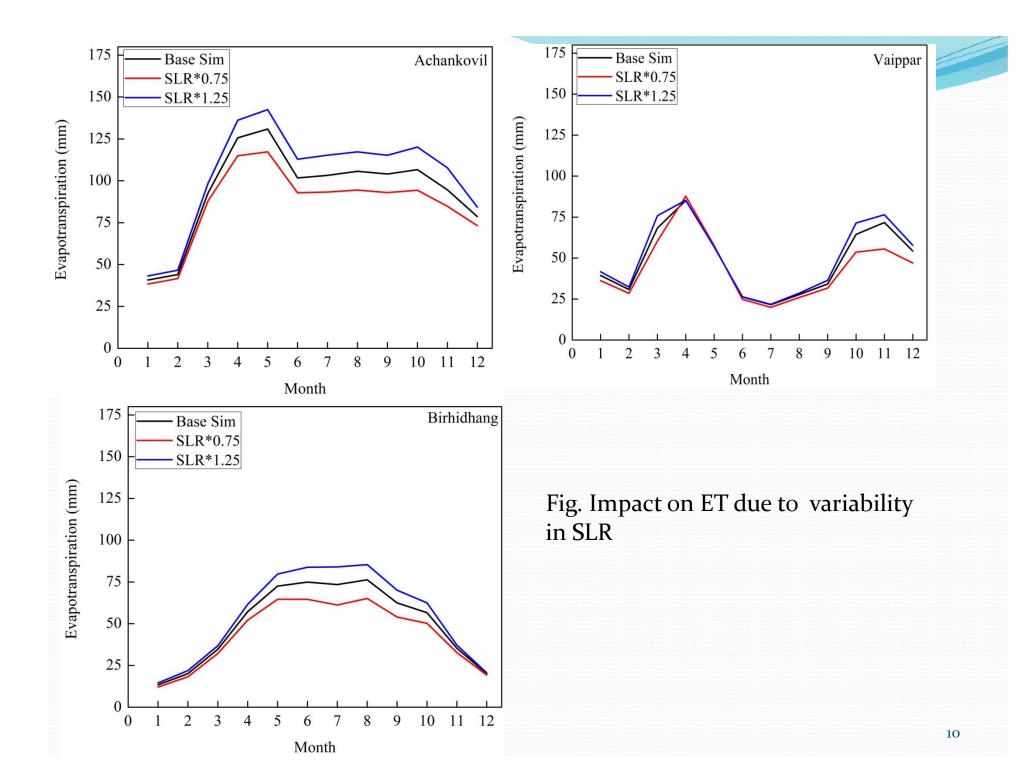


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Conclusions

- Based on Preliminary analysis
- •Errors in relative humidity have little effect on the streamflow in arid region (Vaippar basin)
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- •Errors in relative humidity have little effect on the ET in arid region (Vaippar basin)
 - But in Achankovil and birhidhang significant influence is observed

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