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Modeling water resources in Black Sea Basin

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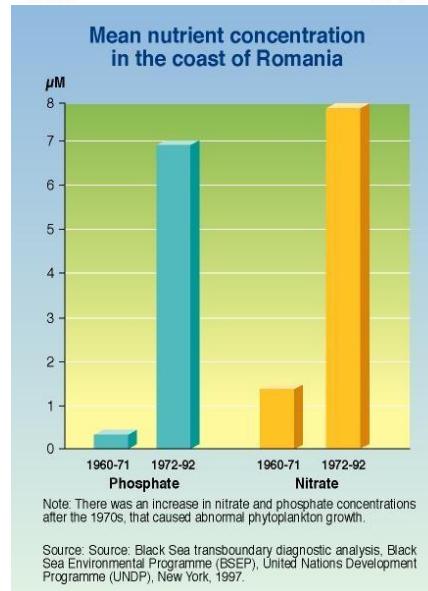
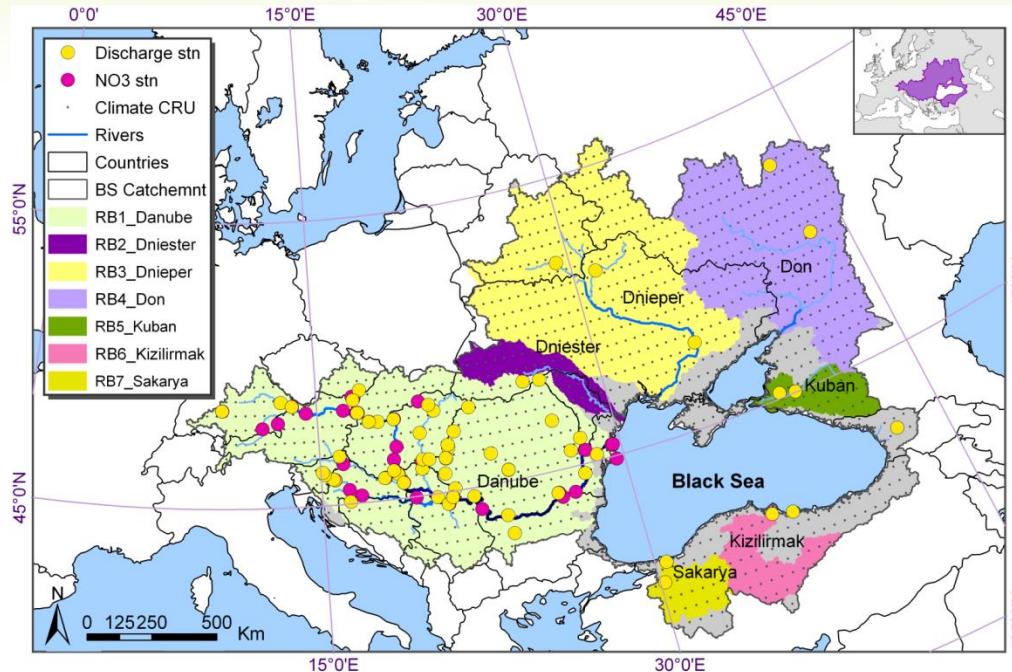
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Major challenges

- Environmental degradation
- Water quality
- Water stresses
- Flood- droughts risks
- Transboundary effects
- High variability in precipitation and evaporative demand
- Agricultural productivity and water demands



What to do about it?

Research questions

To assess:

- Black Sea data gaps
- Water resources of BSB on a fine spatial and temporal resolution
- Feasibility of running a time-consuming high-resolution hydrologic model on a PC & gridded network
- Potential impacts of *climate change* and *landuse change* on water quantity, water quality and crop yields

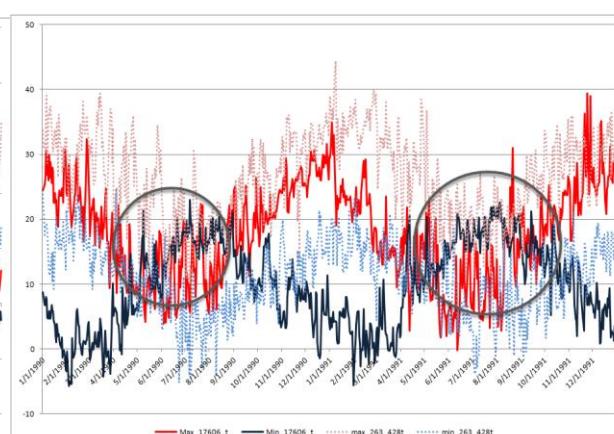
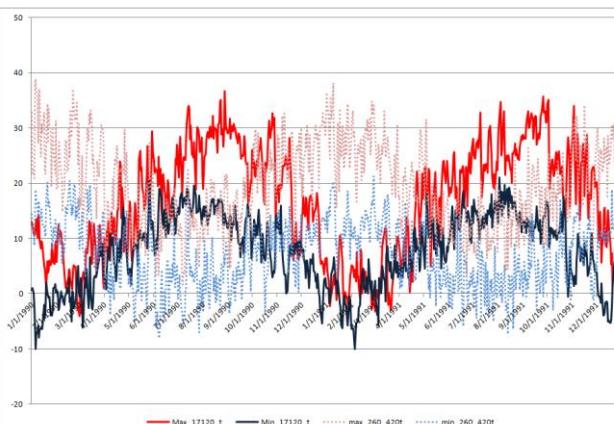
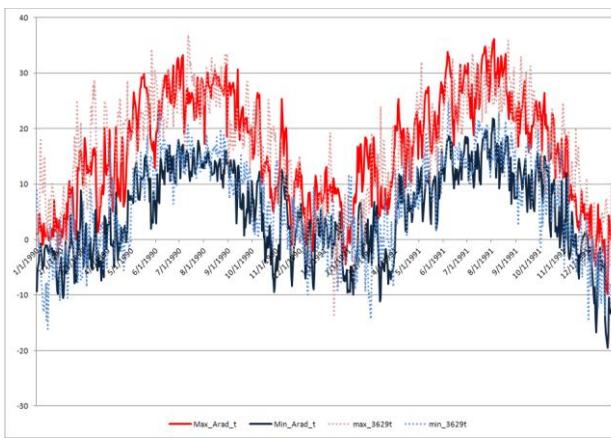
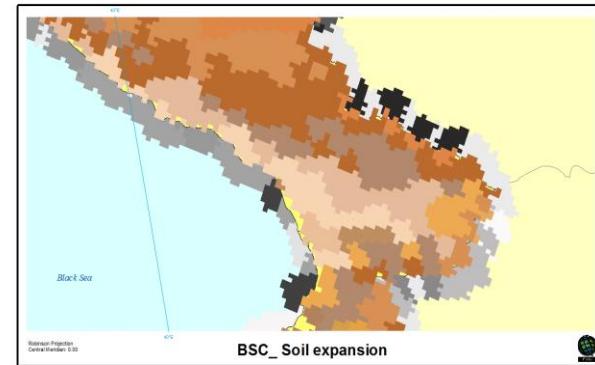
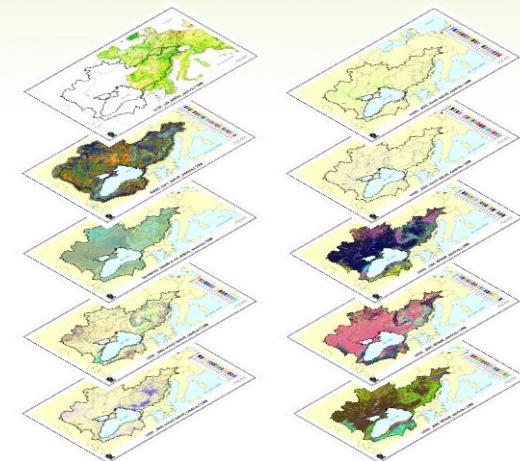
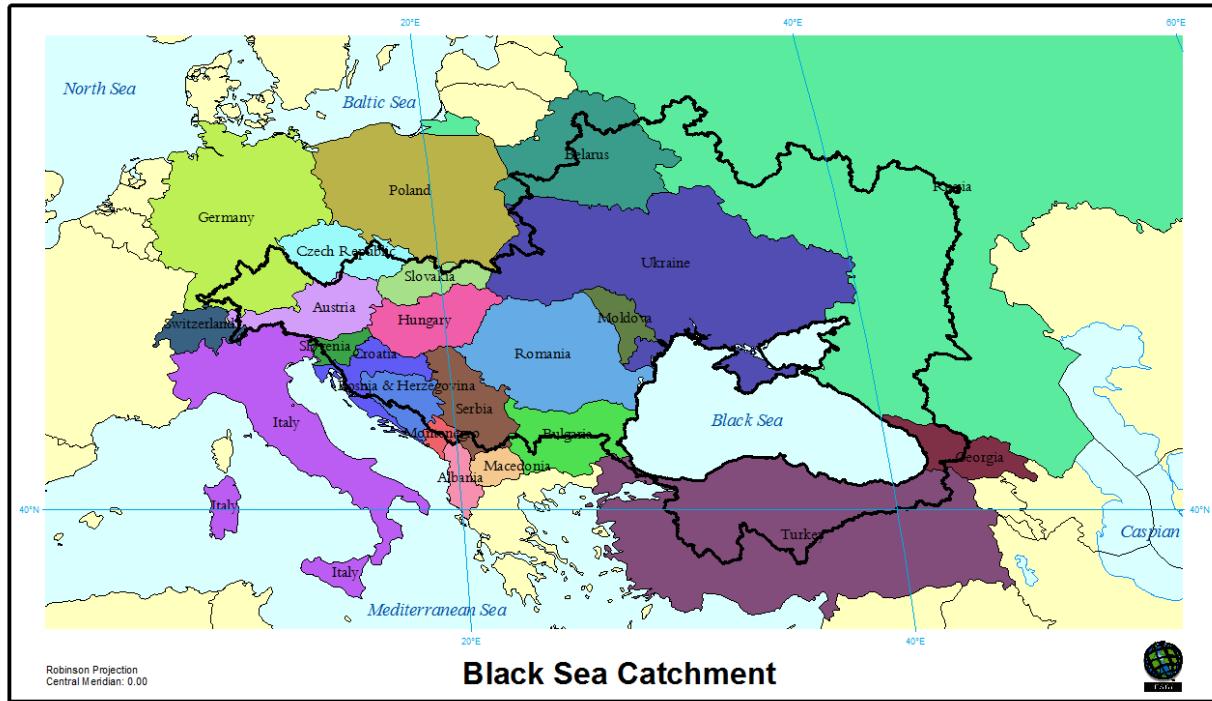


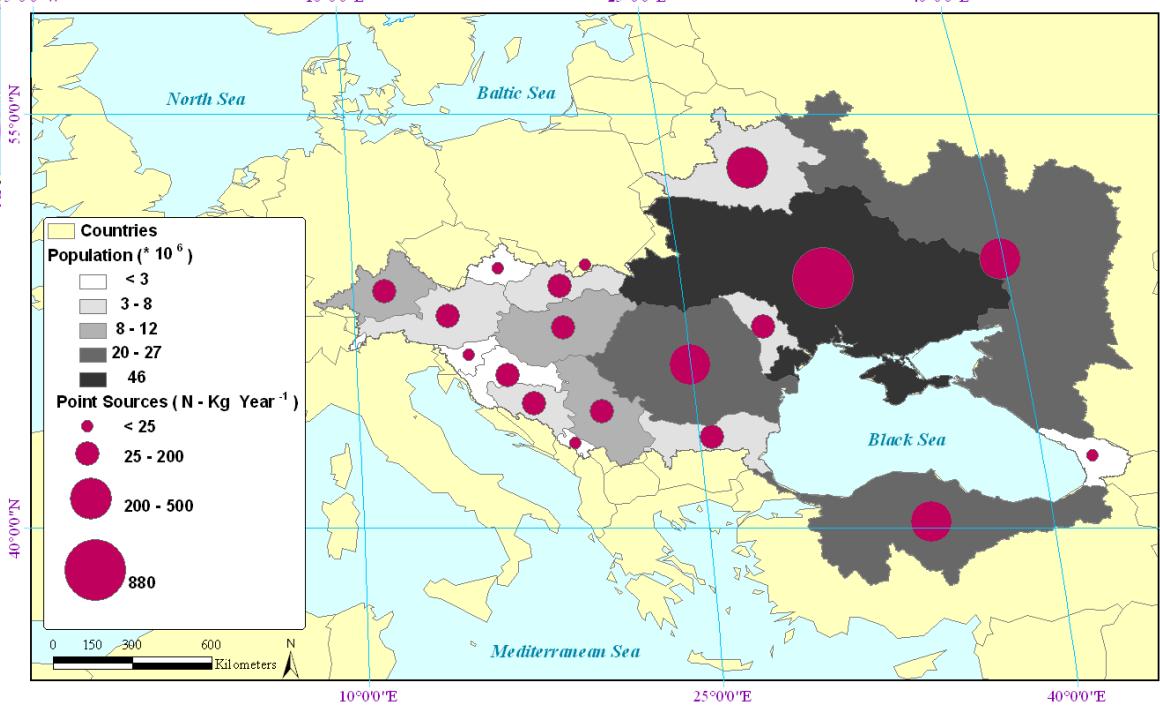
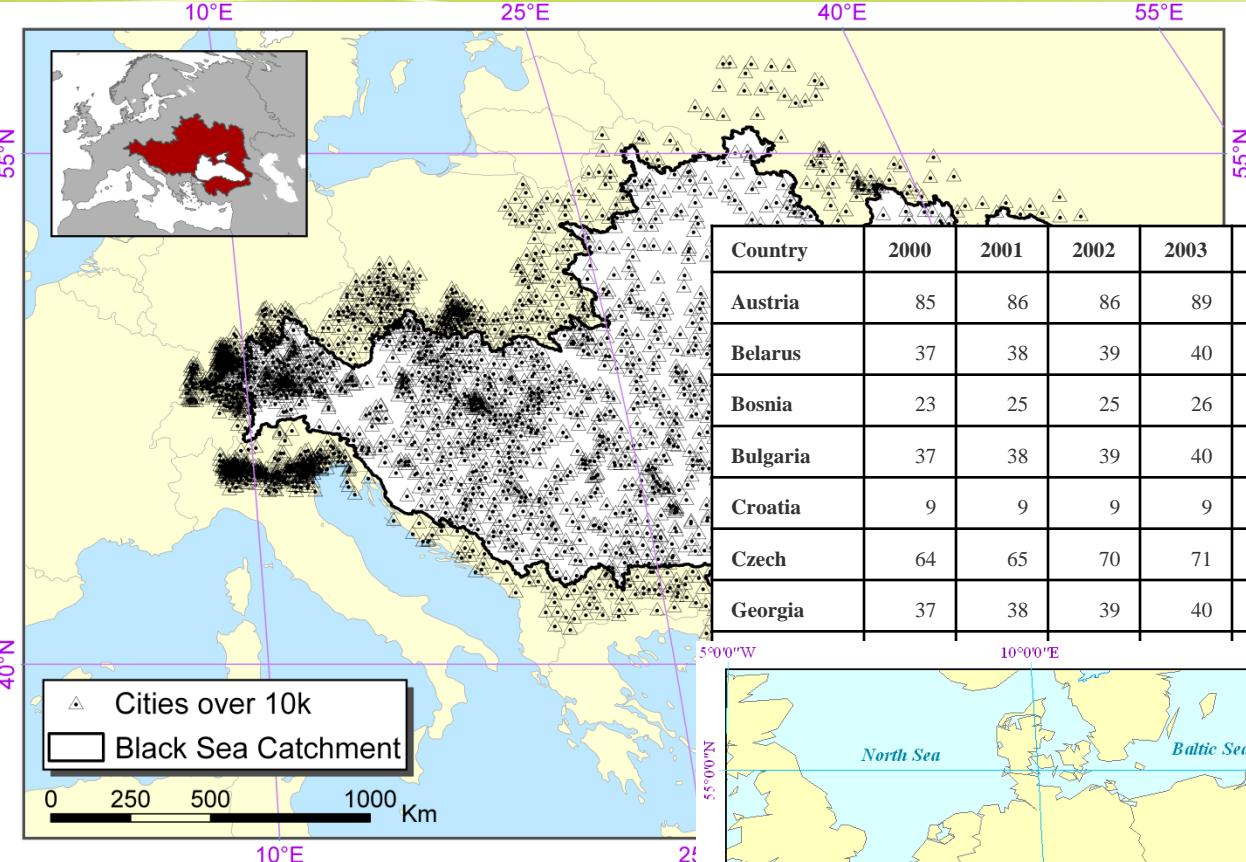
Research question1:

Data gaps in BSB



Data gap analysis and difficulties





Data sets

DEM: Elevation, slope, drainage network
SRTM 90 m resolution

River network: Ecrine Rivers, 30 m resolution

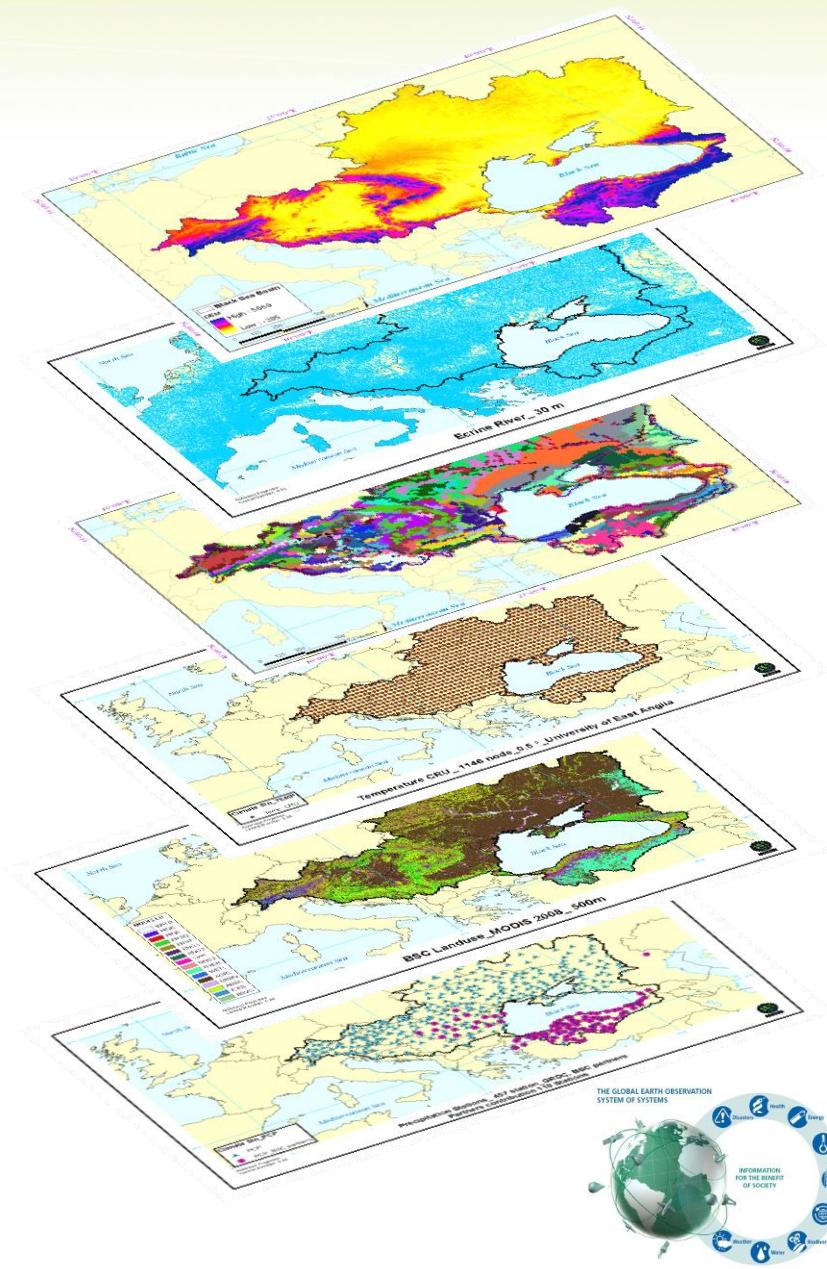
Landuse: Modis Land cover, Nasa, 500 m resolution

Soil: Hydro-pedological parameters.
FAO/UNESCO, Scale: 1:500 000

Climate: Daily precipitation, temperature and solar radiation for 1973-2006,
Climate Research Unit (CRU)

Agricultural Management: Crop types,
Harvested area, Crop calendar, crop Yields, Miraca 2000, 5 Arc min resolution

Calibration & Evaluation: Crop yields,
river discharge, NO₃



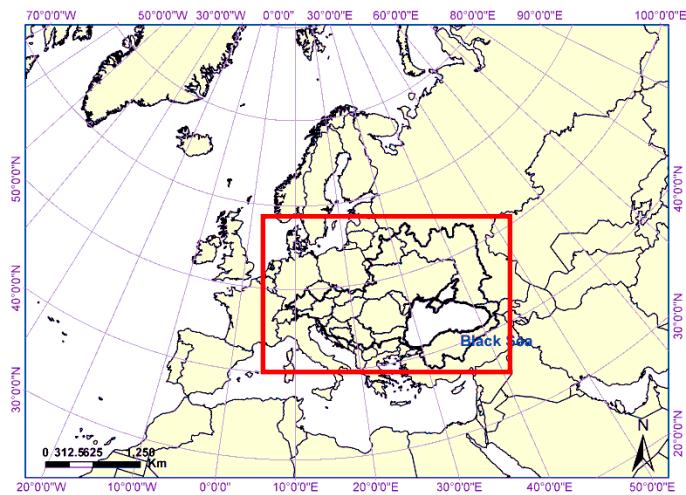
Research question2:

High resolution water resources assessment in BSB



SWAT in the Black Sea Basin

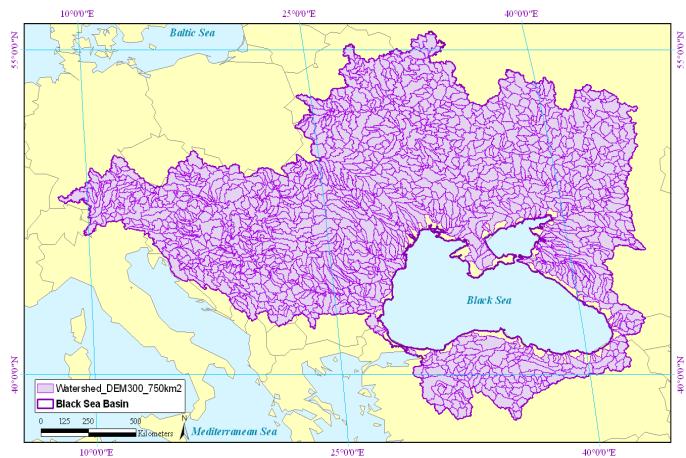
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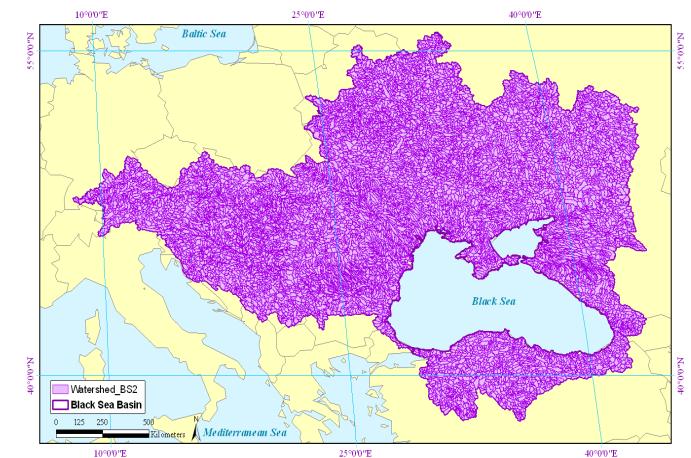
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Sub-basin



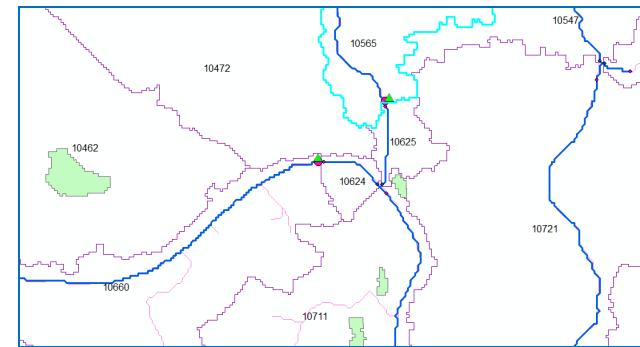
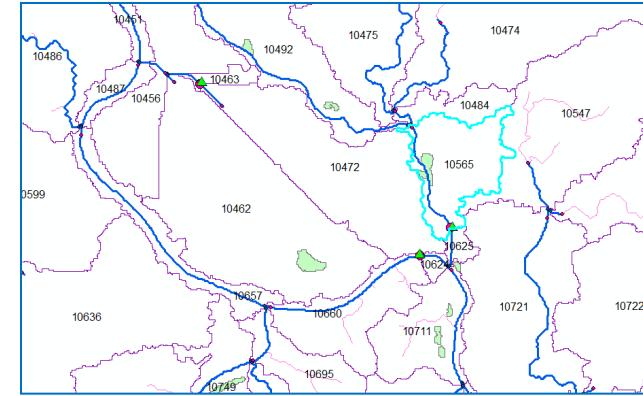
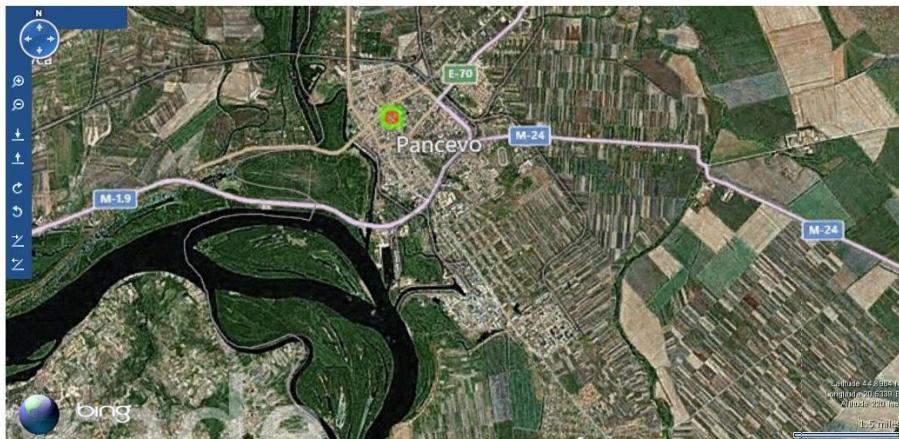
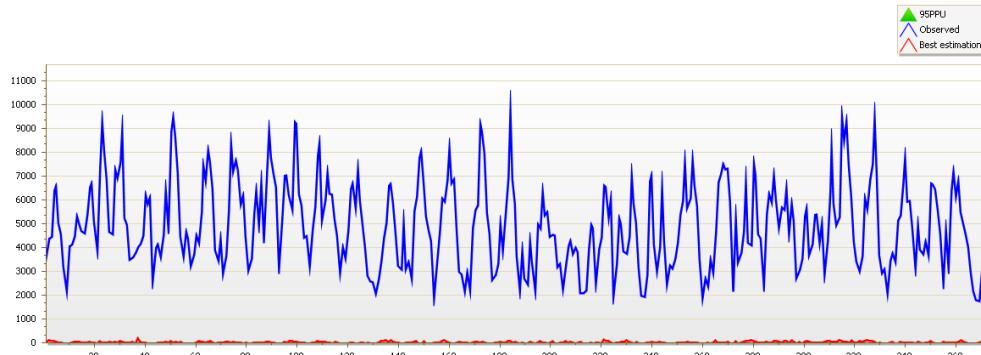
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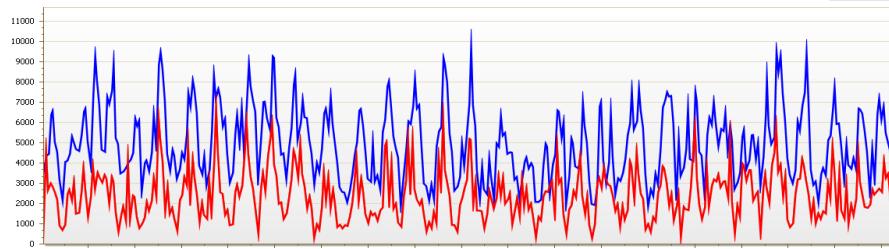
Complications

- Imprecise gauge location

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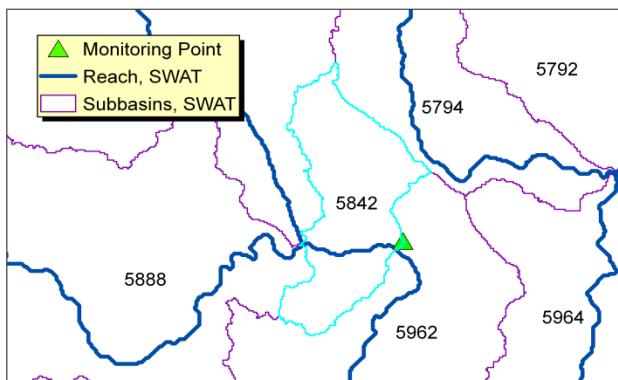
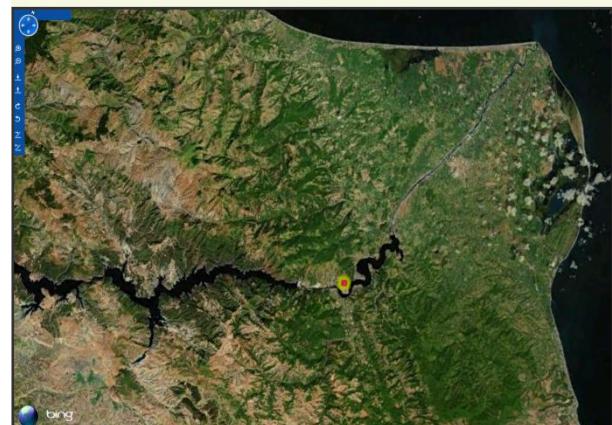
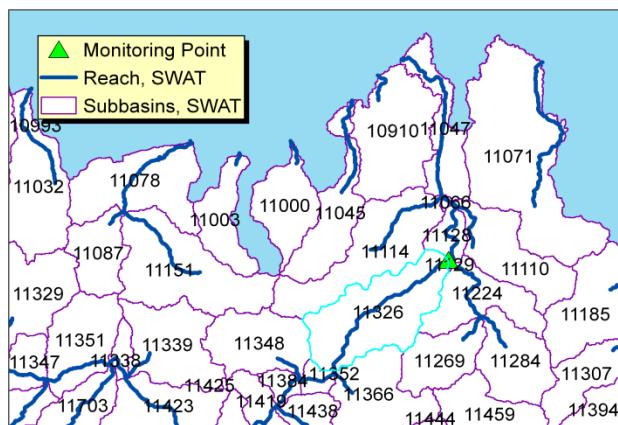


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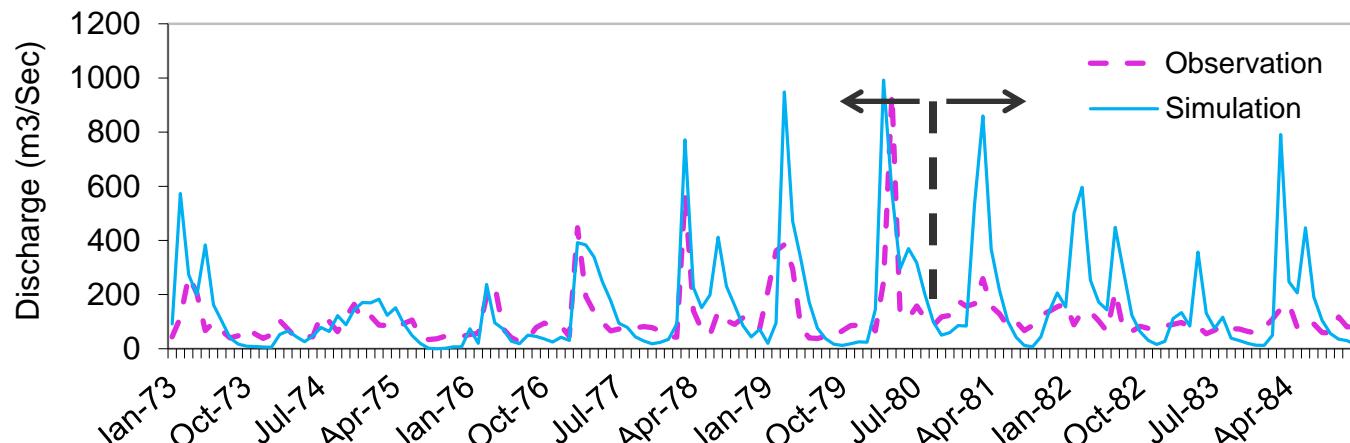


Complications

- Dams, Reservoirs
- Highly agricultural areas and water abstractions

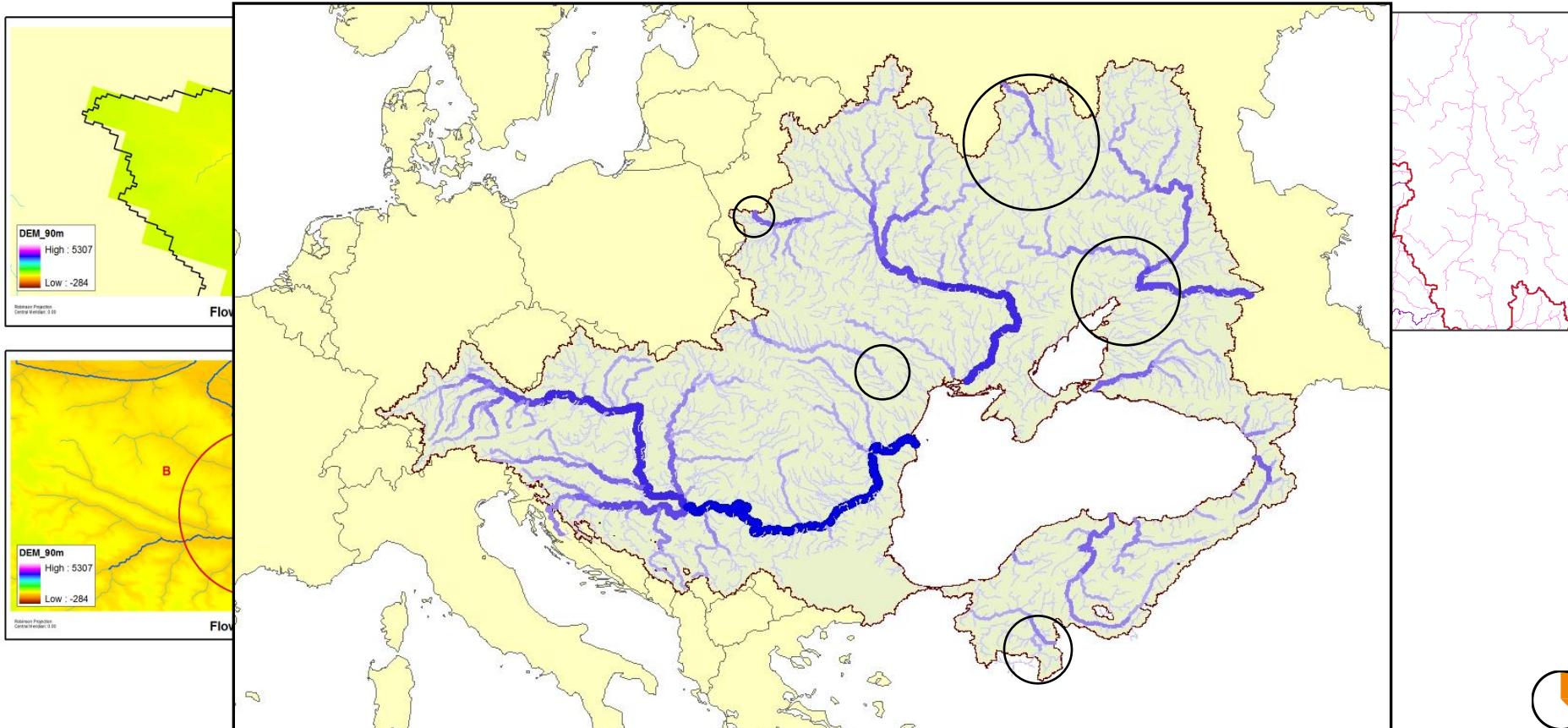
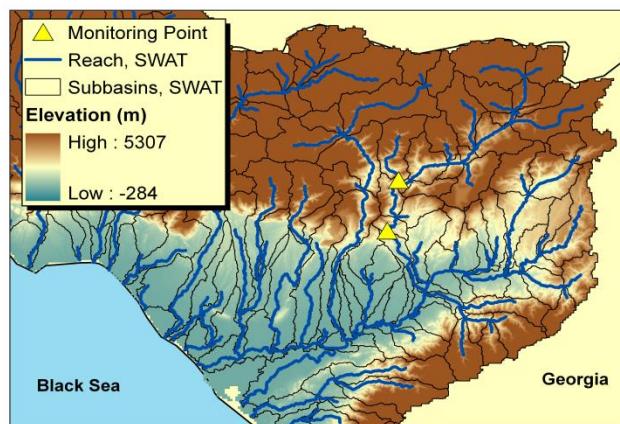


River Discharge (Q_5842, Southern Bug), Aleksandrovka reservoir

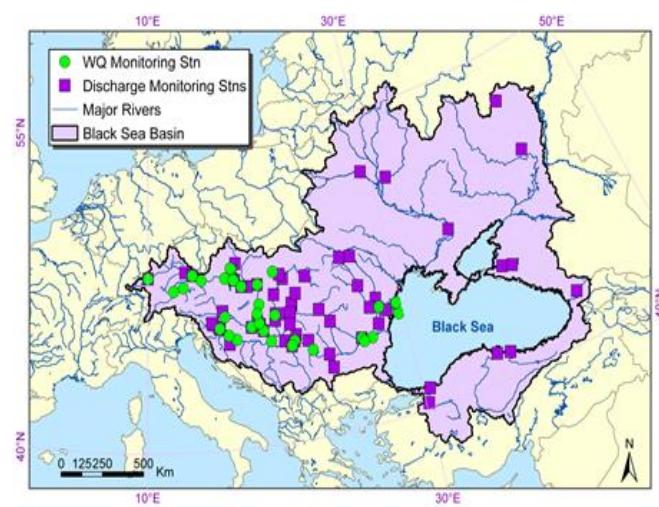
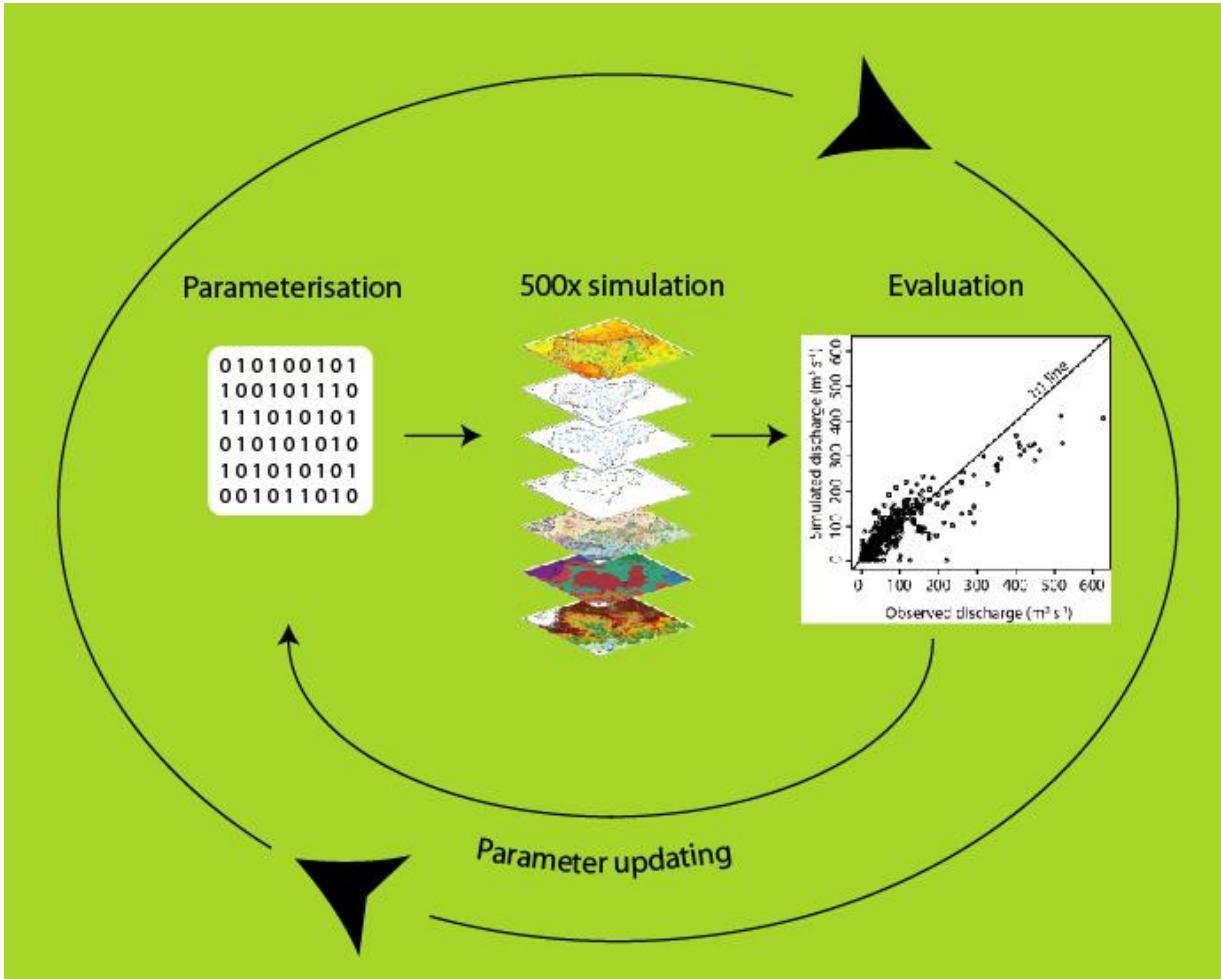


Complications

- Glaciers
- Disconnected rivers



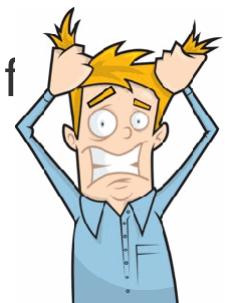
Calibration, Evaluation & Uncertainty



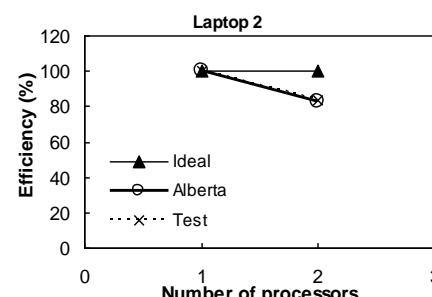
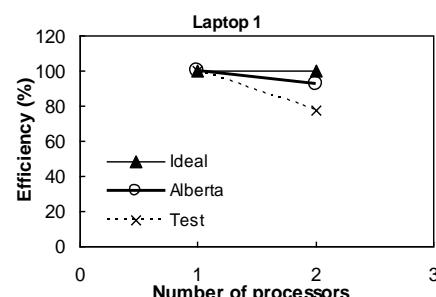
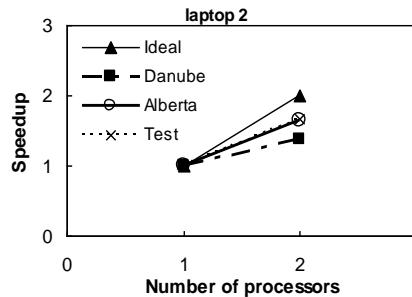
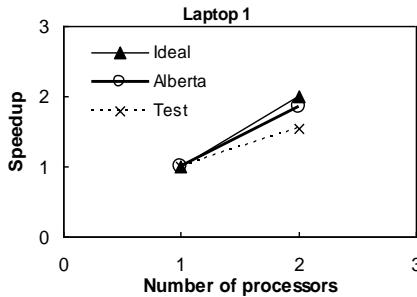
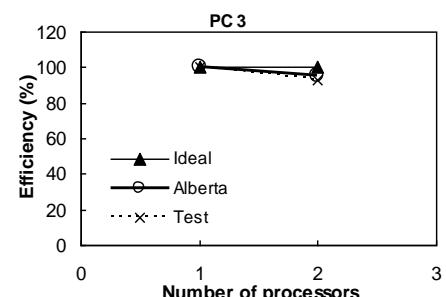
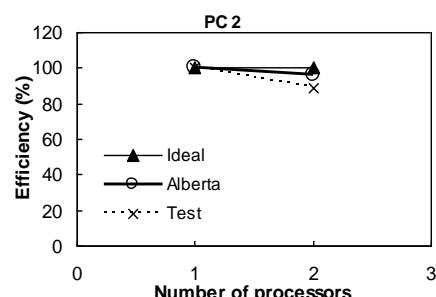
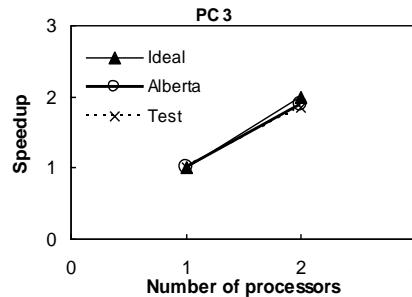
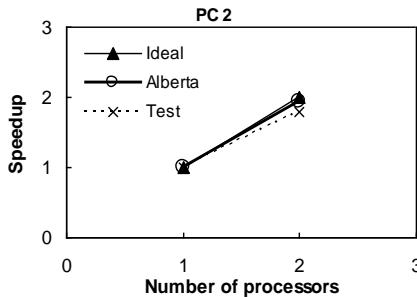
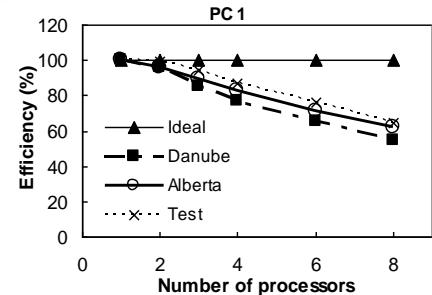
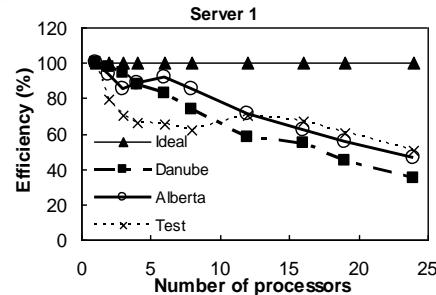
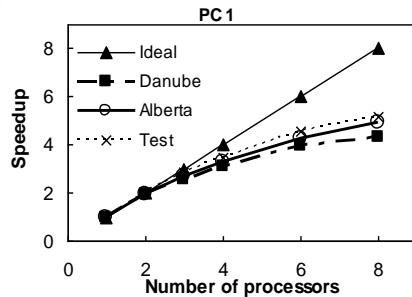
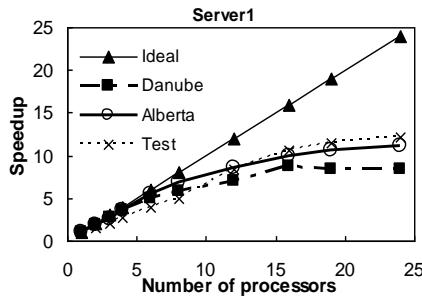
Calibration, Evaluation & Uncertainty

- Calibration and evaluation
 - 1973- 2000 Calibration
 - 2000- 2006 validation
 - Discharge (monthly, 79 stns)
 - NO₃ (Monthly, 37 stns)
- Parameter selection based on sensitivity analysis → 26 Discharge, water quality and crop growth parameters
- Initial parameter ranges from physically meaningful limits at uniform probability distribution
- New ranges based on parameterisation with highest objective f

● 200 runs (Estimated run time in a single machine → **350 days!!**)



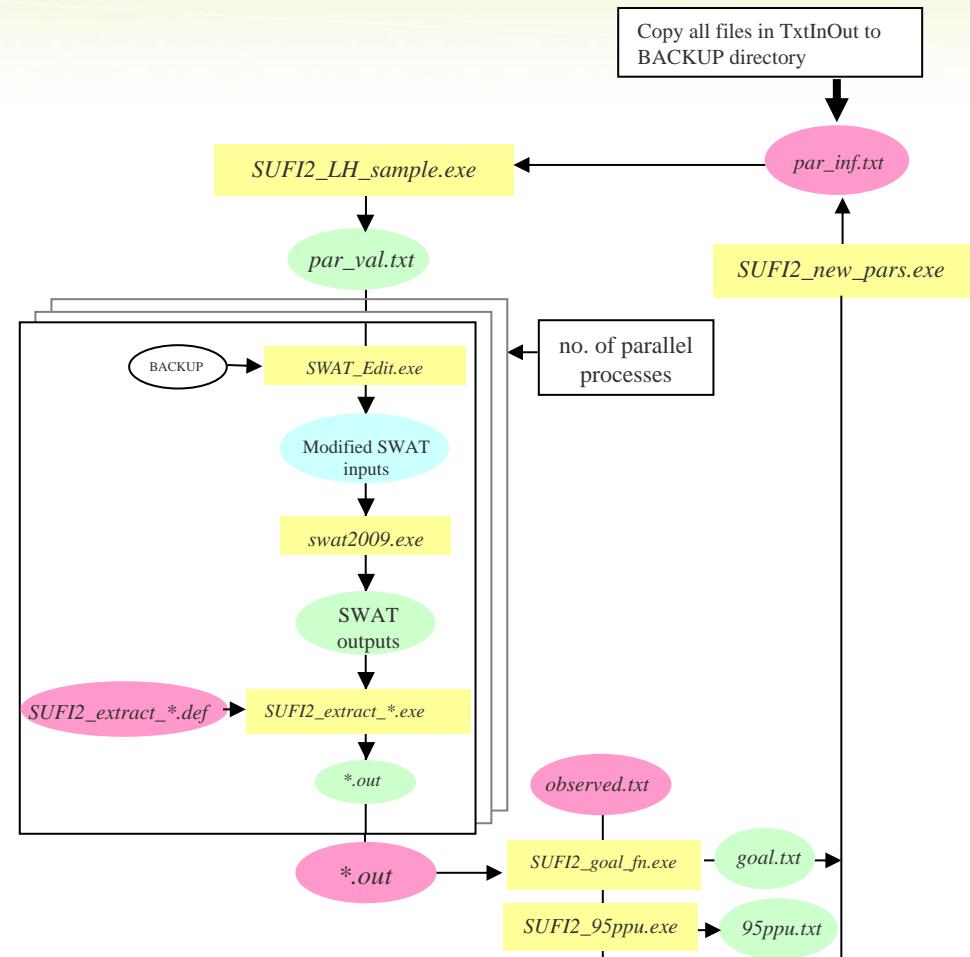
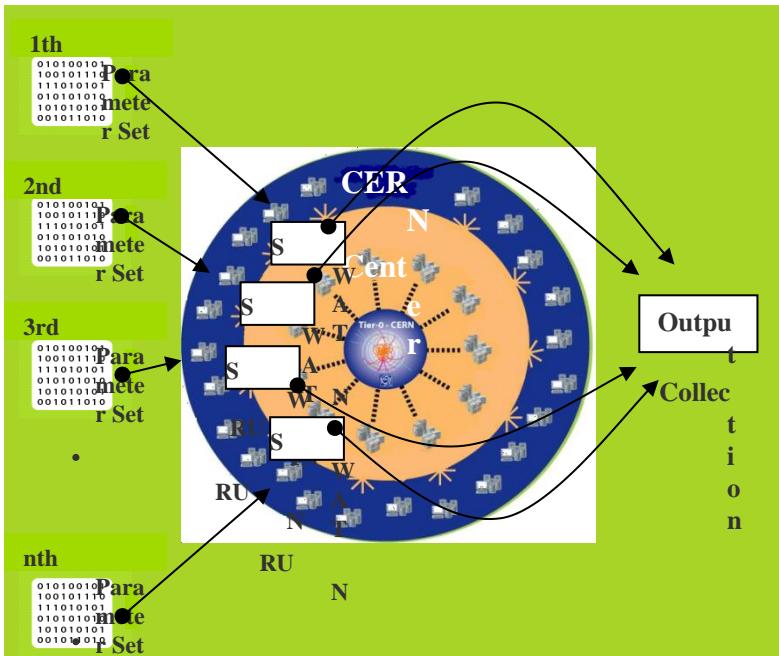
parallel Sufi2 speed up & efficiency tested on different computers



More details:

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Parallelization & Gridification



200 runs using the parallel processing and Grid infrastructure → **2 weeks!!**

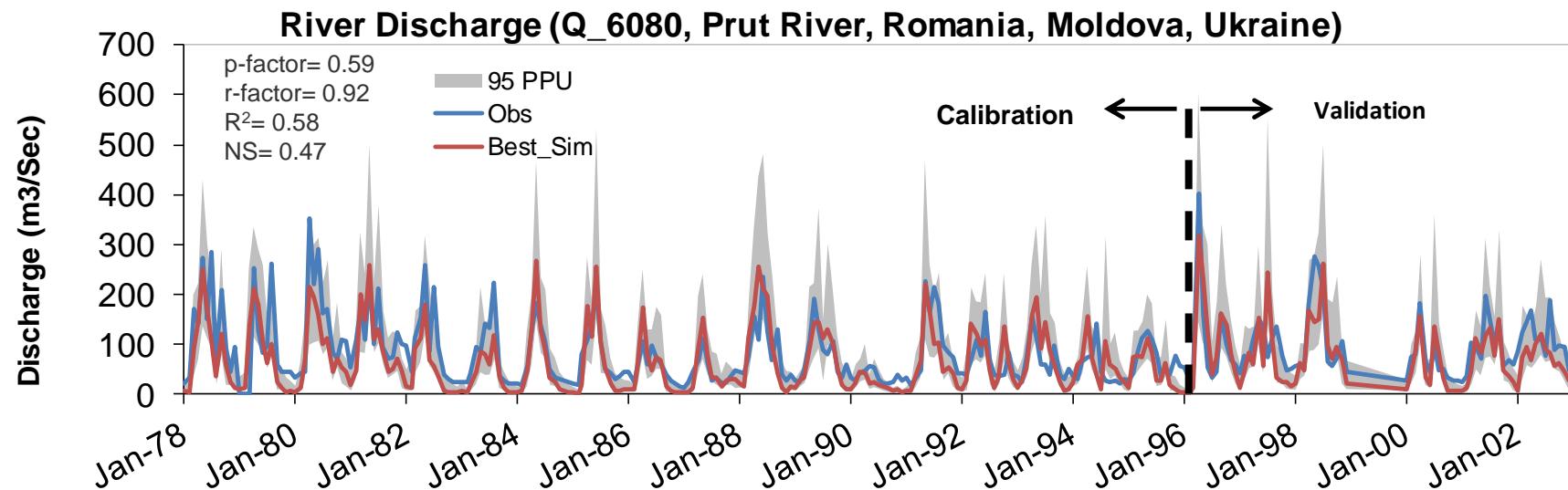
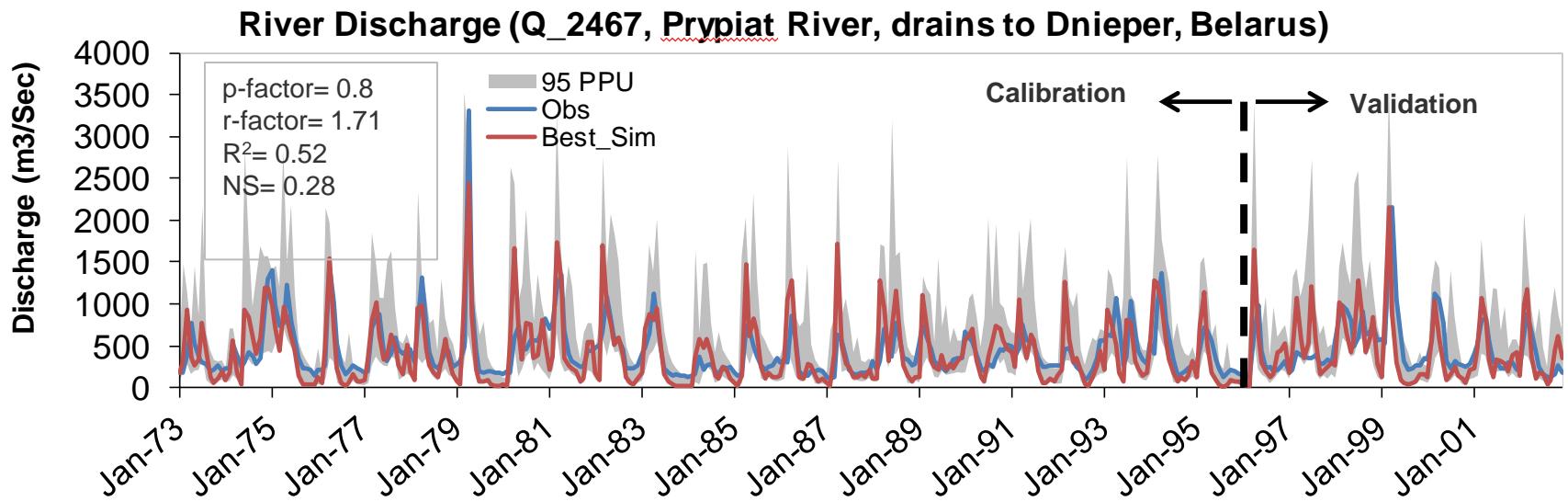
(4 blocks of 50 worker node)

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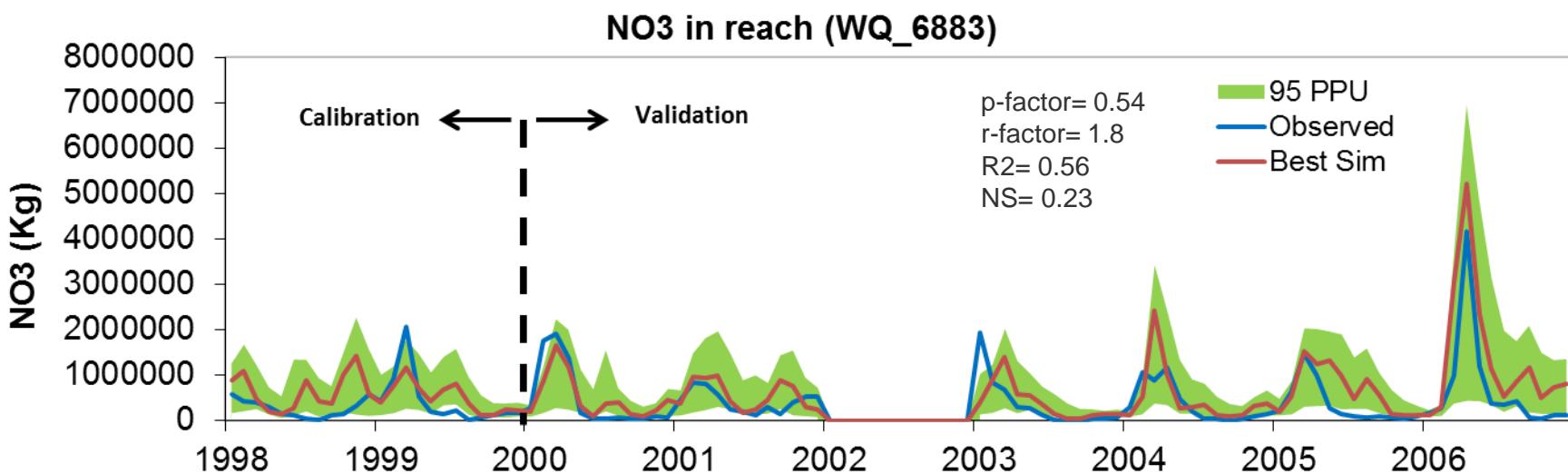
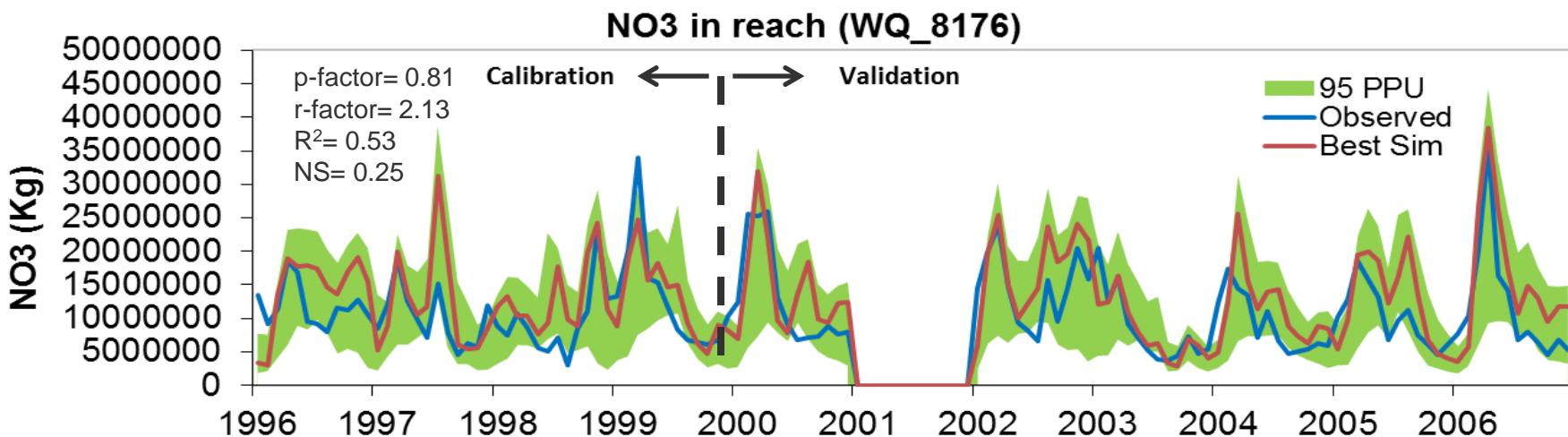
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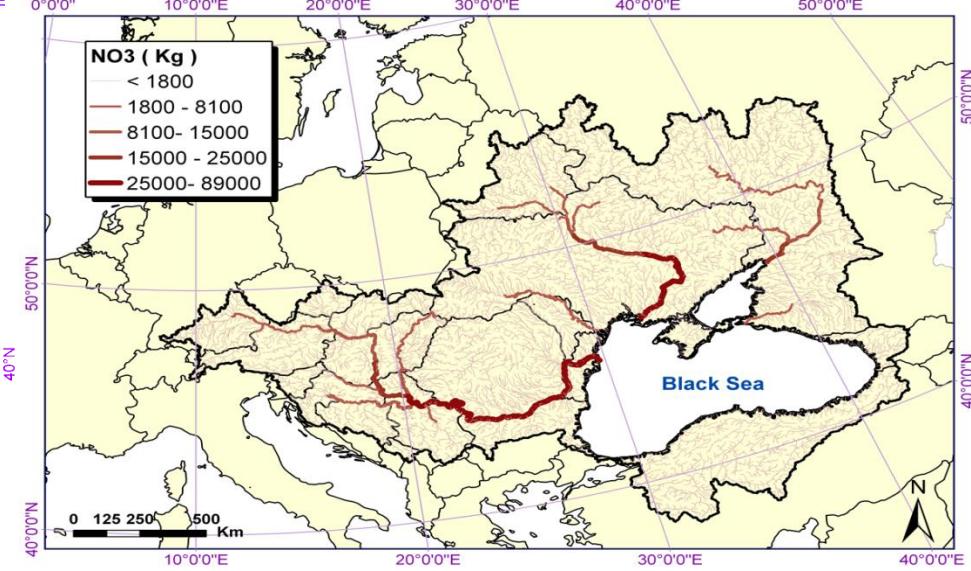
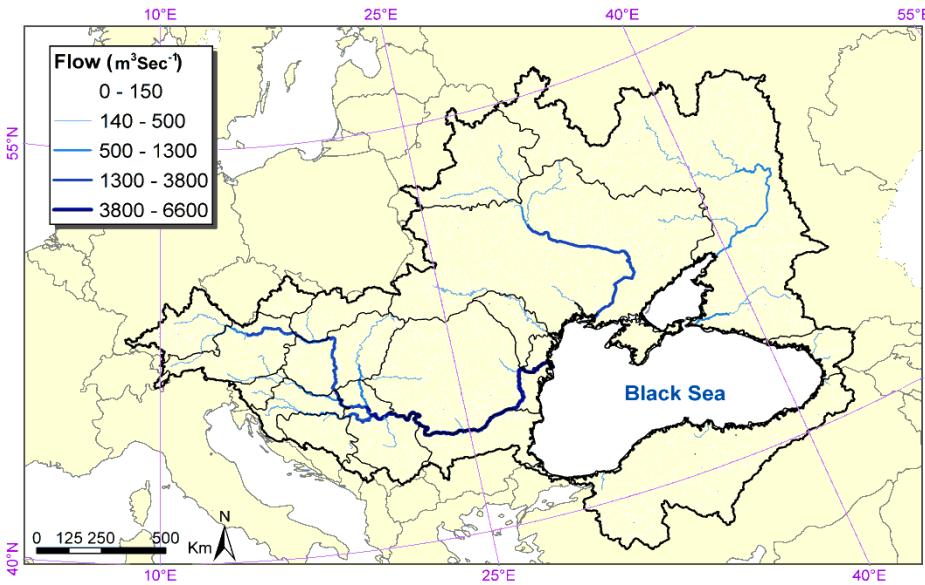
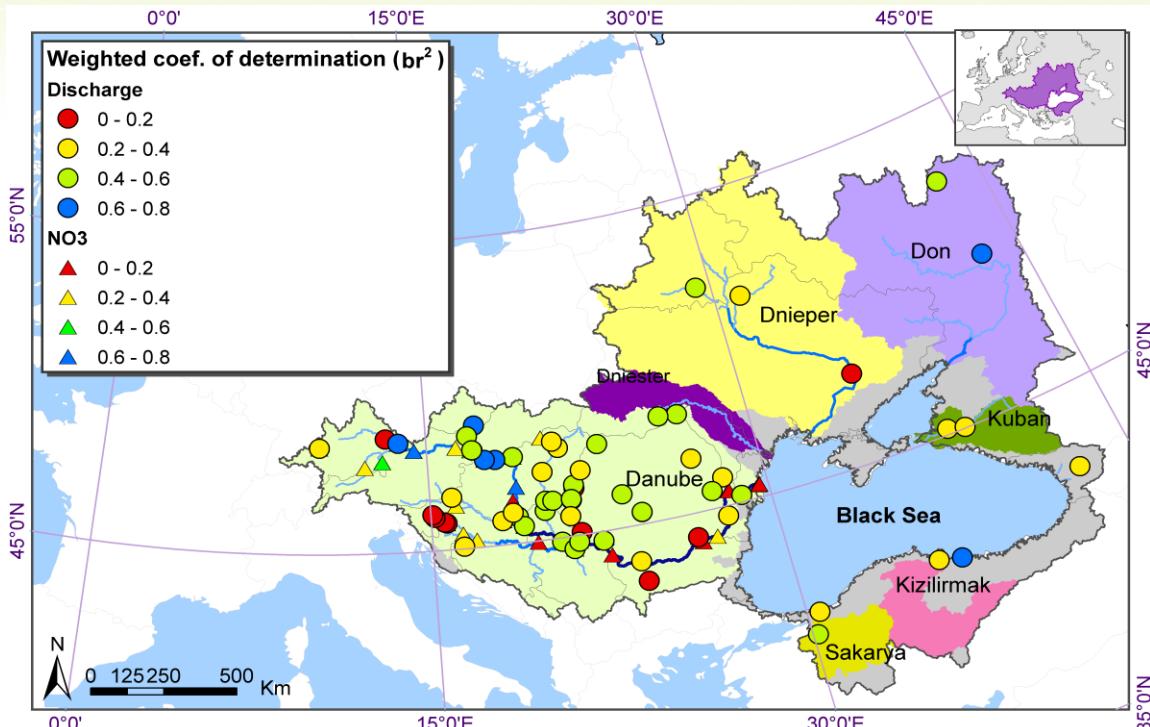
River Discharge results



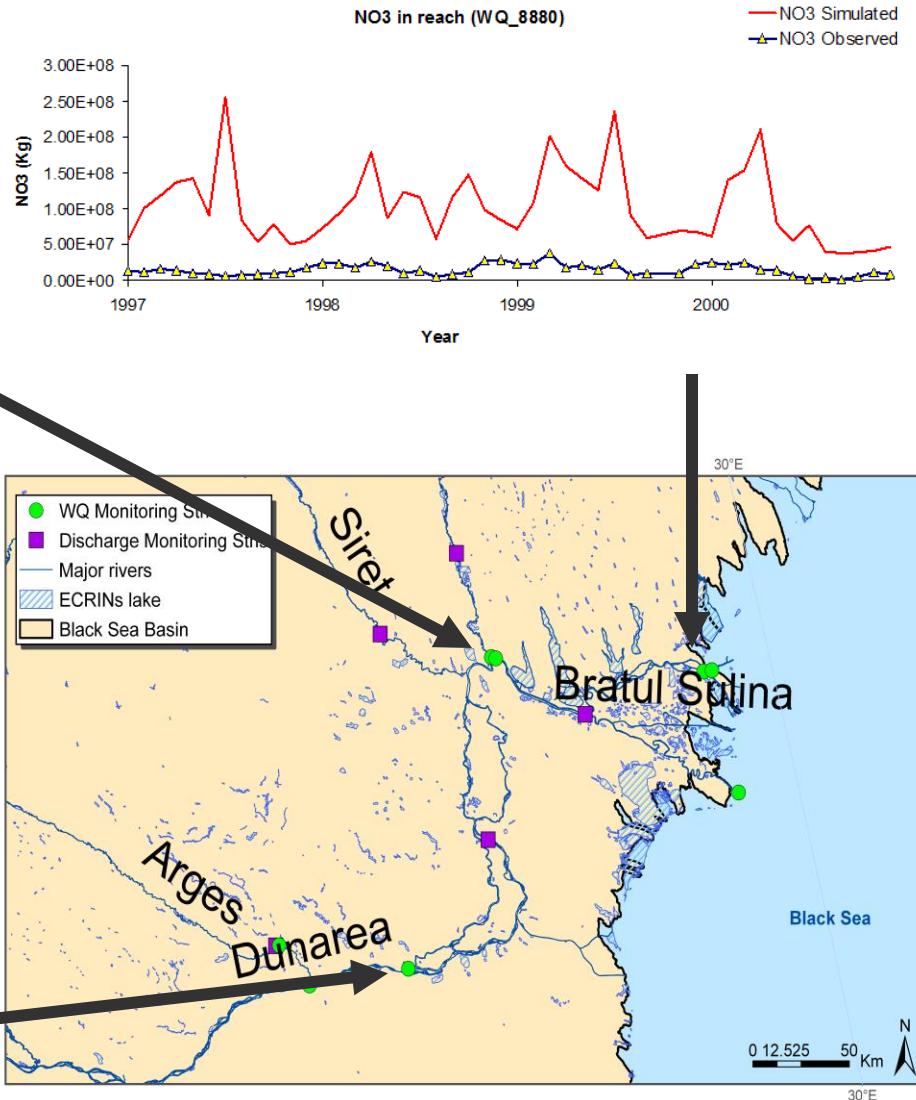
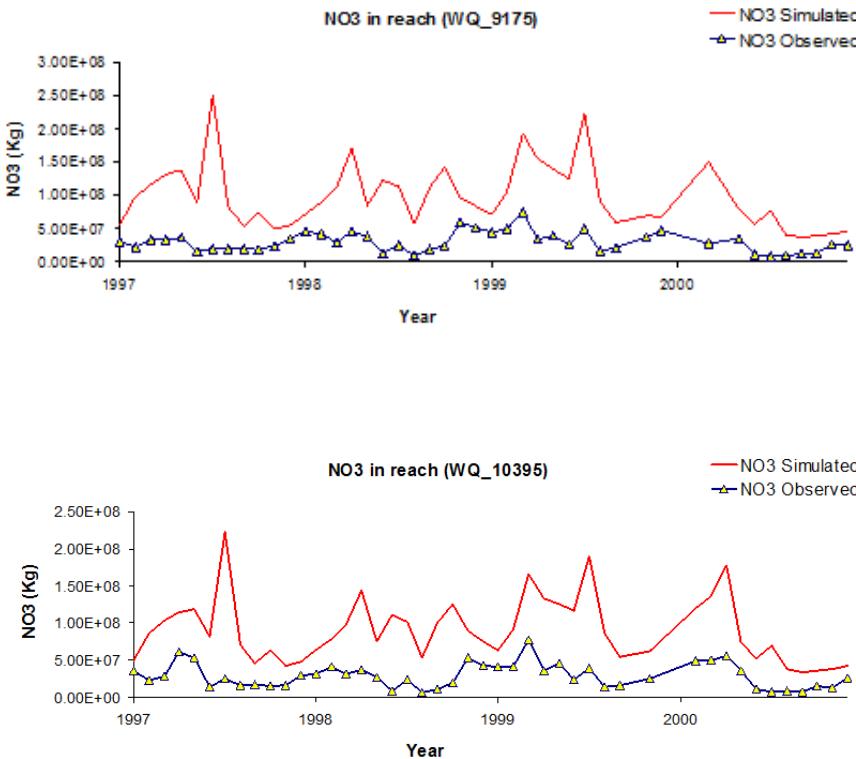
NO₃ loads in Reaches



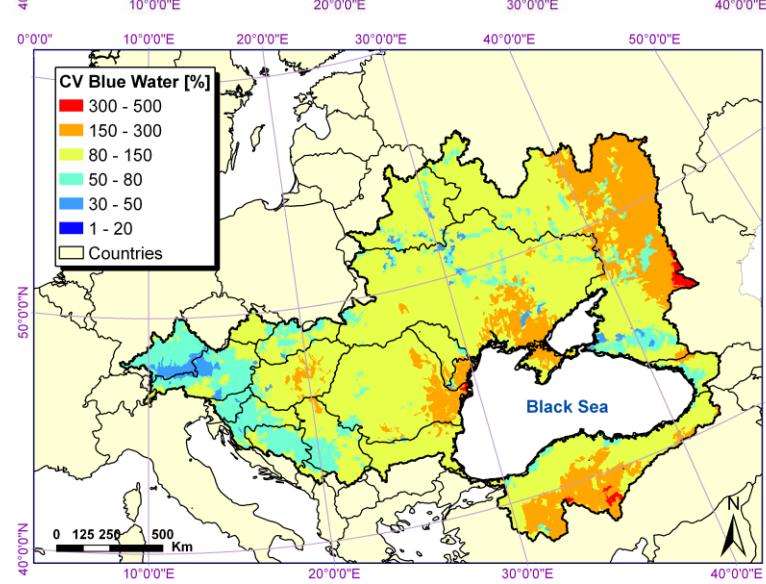
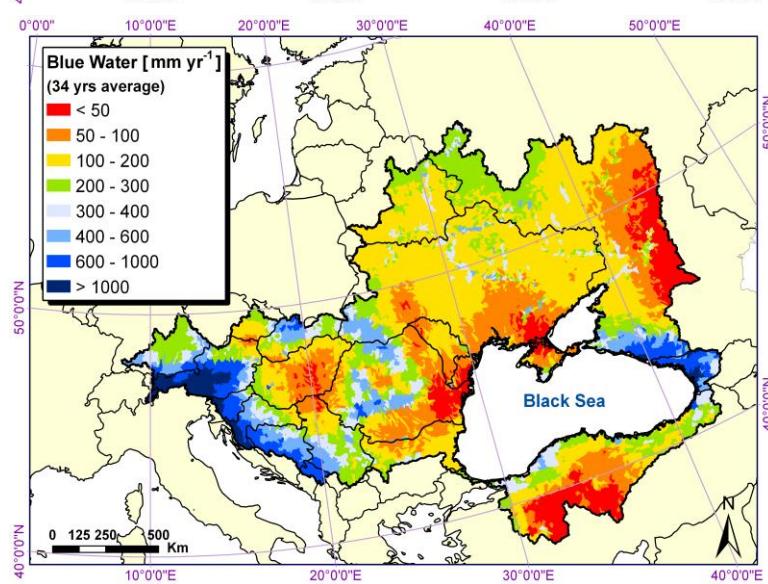
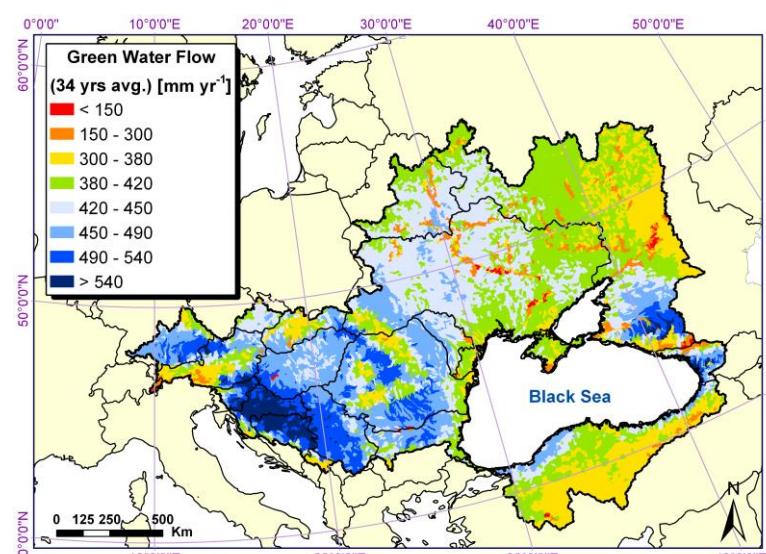
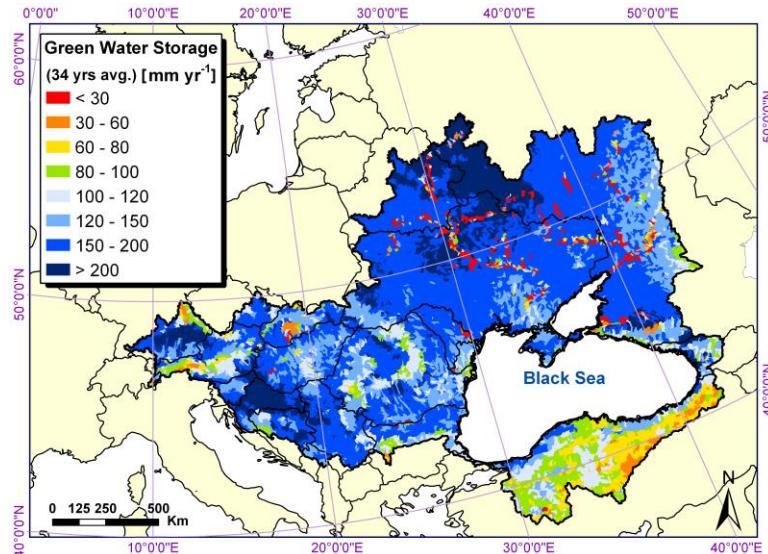
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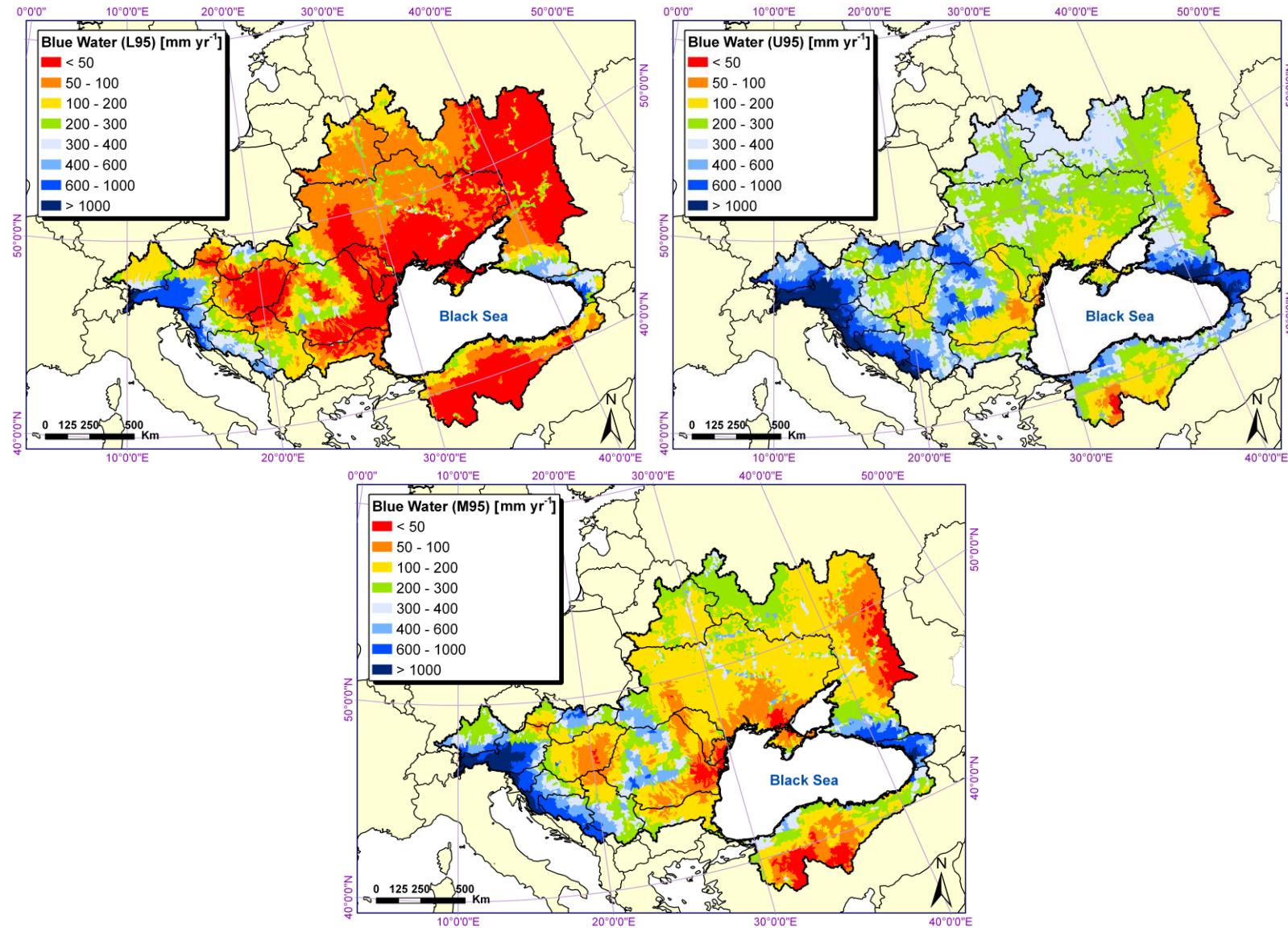
Danube Delta



Blue Water, Green Water Flow and Green Water Storage



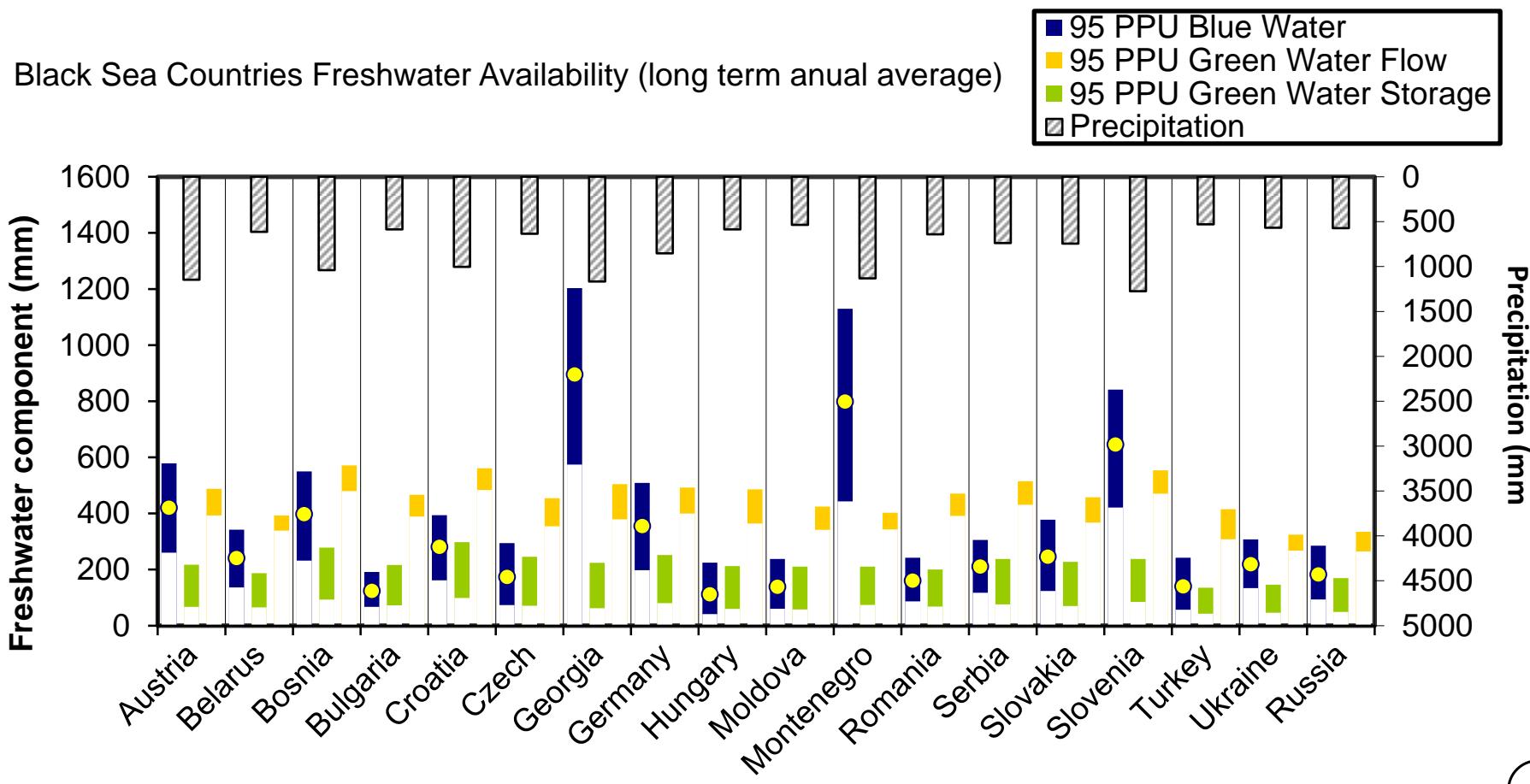
Uncertainties



Internal renewable water resources, annual average (1970-2000)

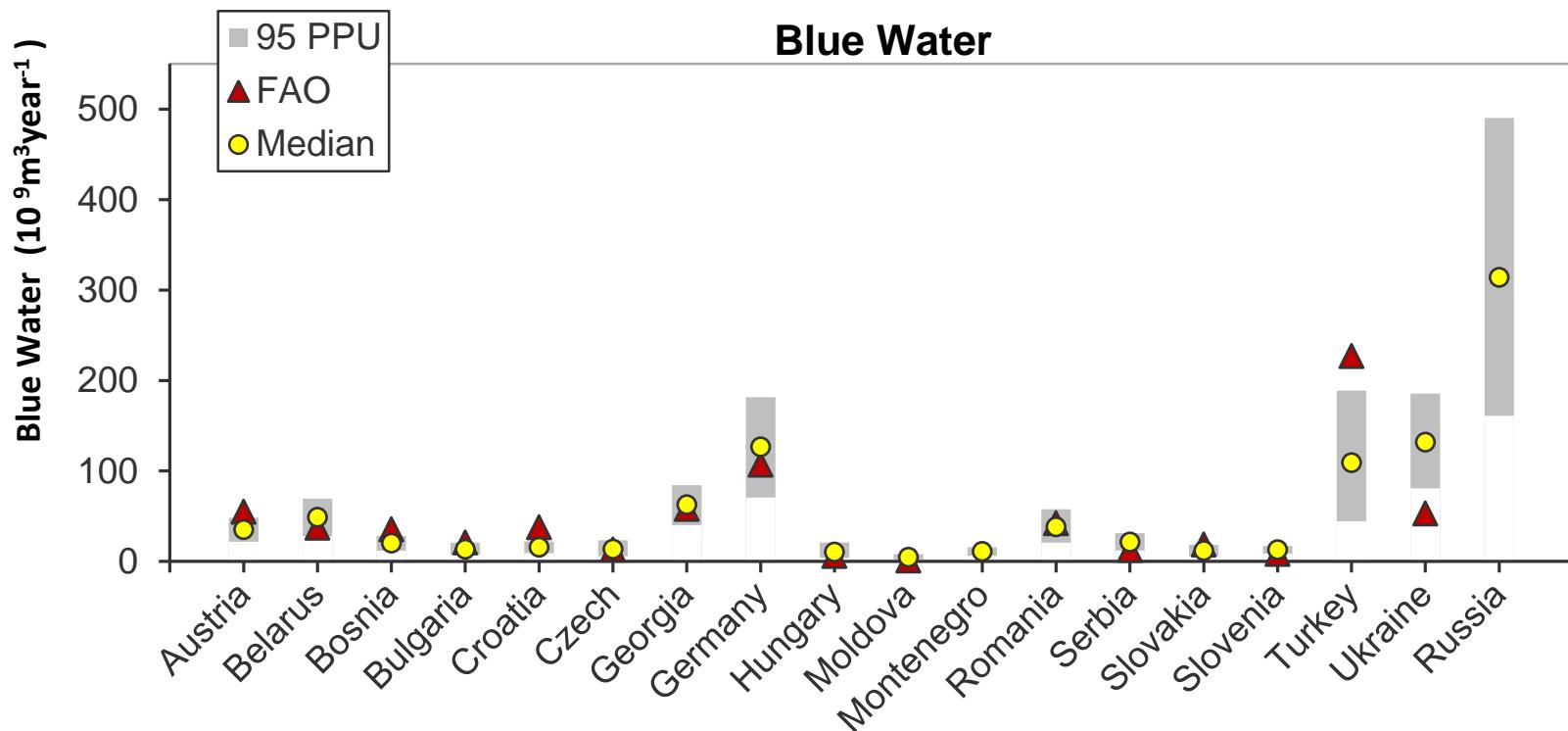
Green Water Flow, Green Water Storage, Blue water (mm yr^{-1})

Black Sea Countries Freshwater Availability (long term annual average)

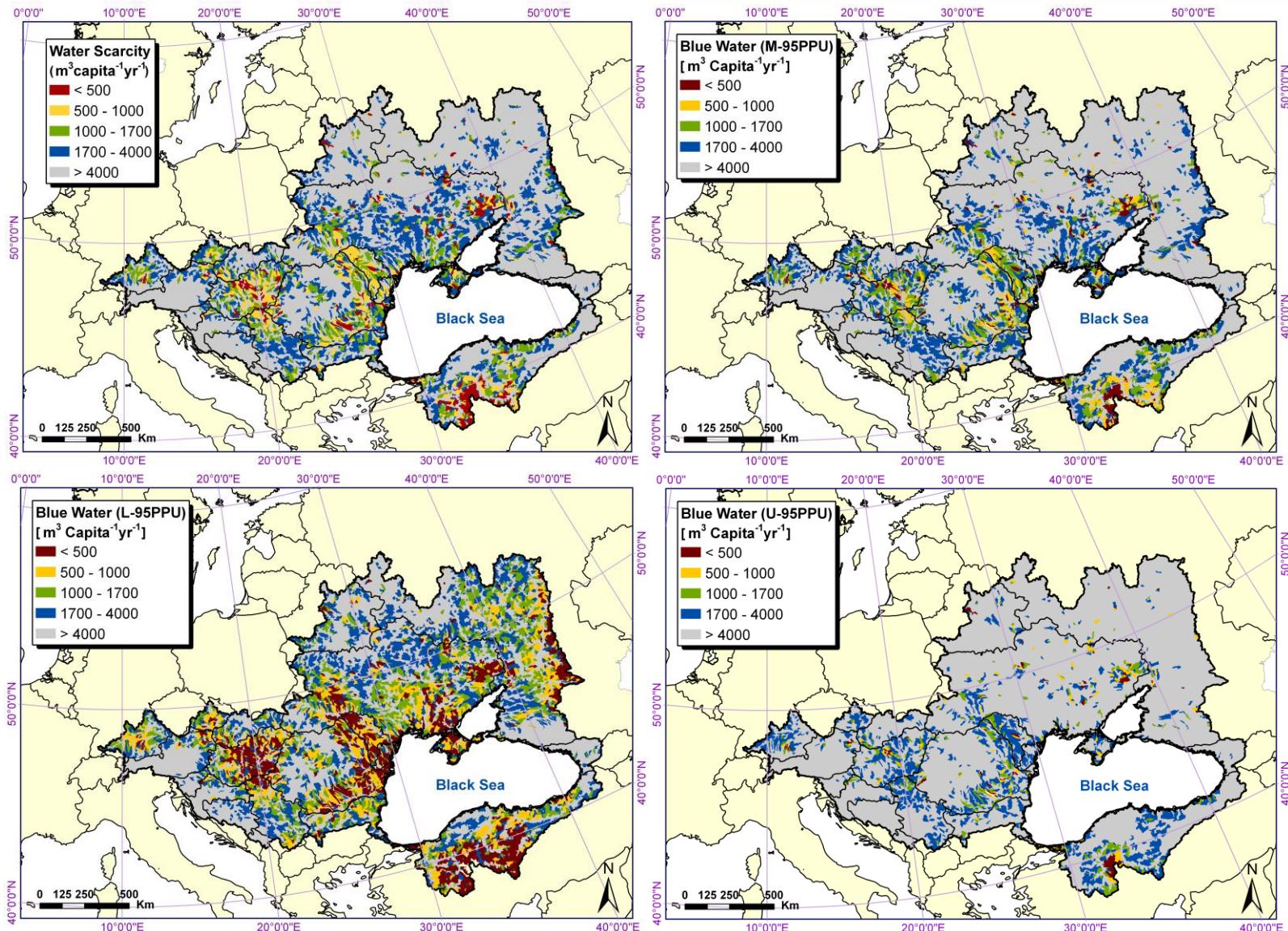


Internal renewable water resources (Blue water) ($\text{m}^3 \text{ yr}^{-1}$)

Comparison of the computed 95PPU intervals for the annual average (1970-2000) of the internal renewable water resources (IRWR) for BSC countries with the results from the FAO assessment mm year^{-1}



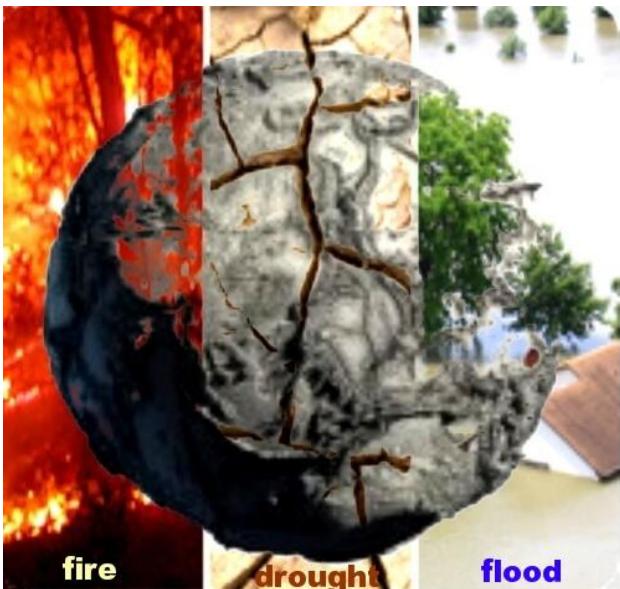
Blue Water Per capita, Water scarcity



Outlook

Research question3:

- Potential impacts of in climate change and land use change



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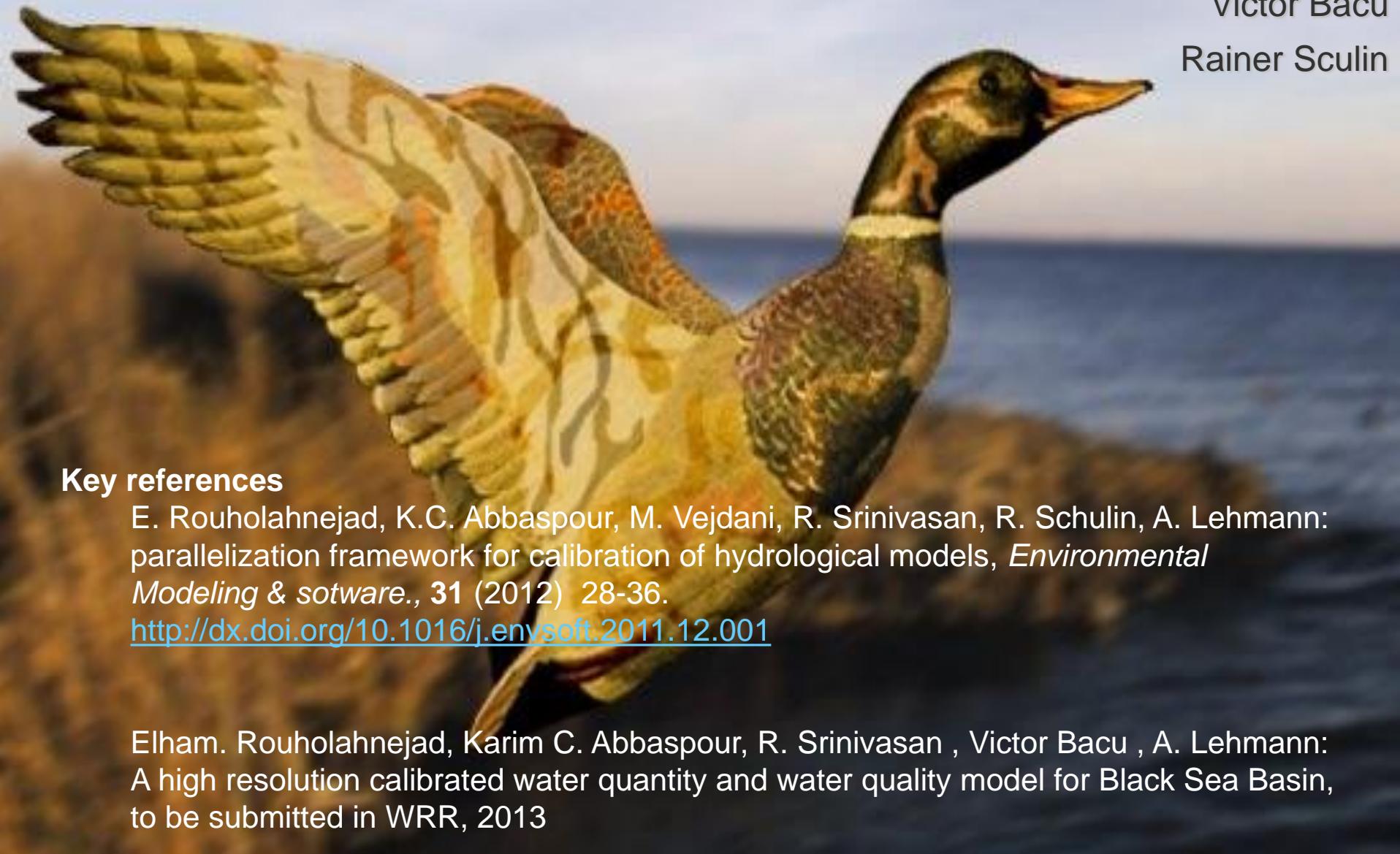
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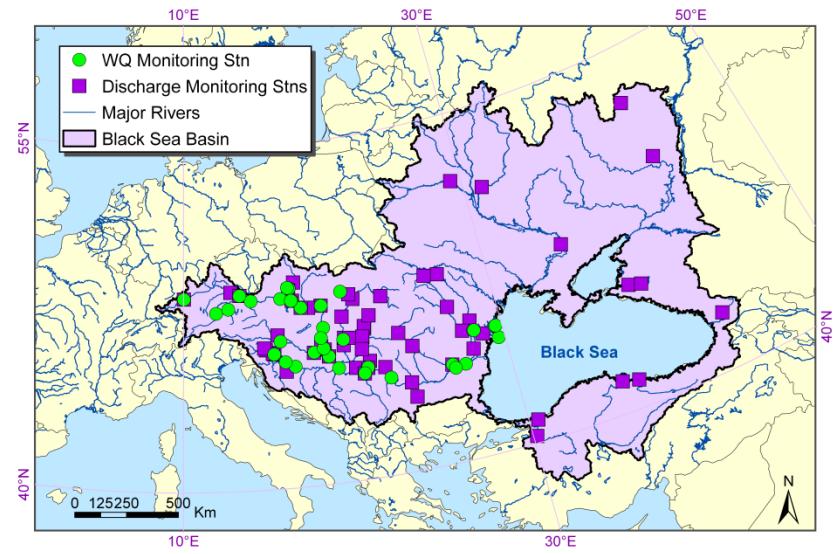
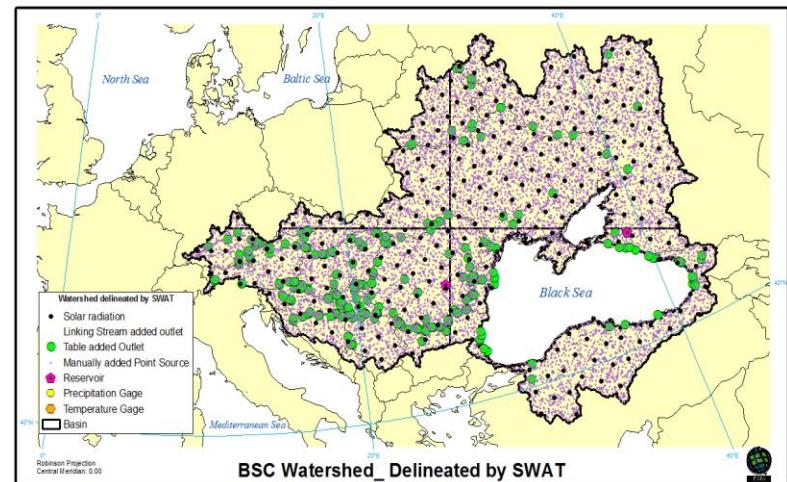
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- Arc SWAT 2009
- 12982 subbasins
- 89202 Hrus
- CRU data sets as weather data
- Modis land cover
- Agricultural management for wheat, Maize and Barely
- Et Calculation based on Hargreaves Method
- Daily step SWAT run and monthly output printing was selected
- 37 yrs of simulation, 3 yrs warm up period(1970-2006)
- Each run 42 hours on a super power machine



Hydrology eq

SCS curve number equation (SCS, 1972)

$$Q_{surf} = \frac{(R_{day} - I_a)^2}{(R_{day} - I_a + S)}$$

I_a is initial abstraction which include surface storage, interception and infiltration prior to runoff, mm H₂O

S in retention parameter mm H₂O

The retention parameter varies spatially due to changes in soil, landuse and management and slope and temporally due to changes in soil water content.

$$S = 25.4 \left(\frac{1000}{CN} - 10 \right)$$

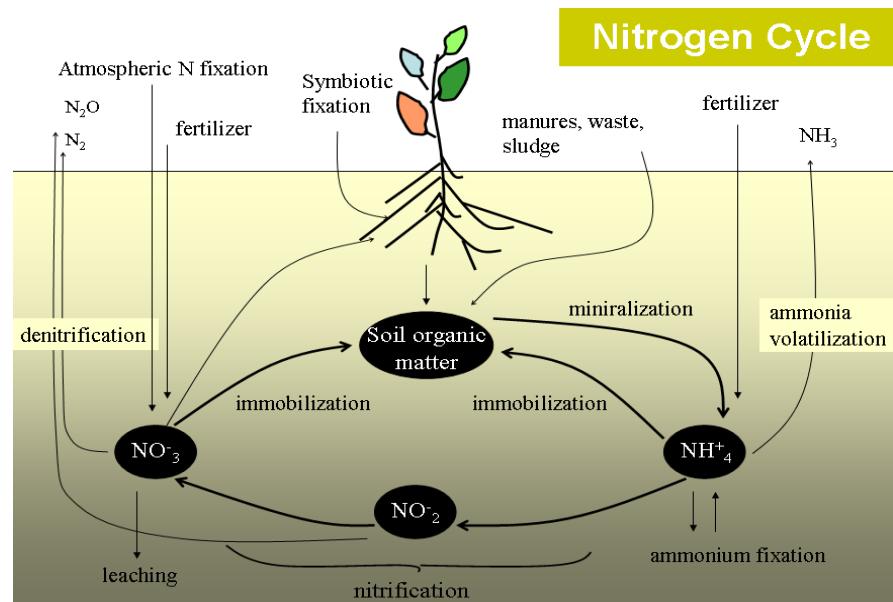
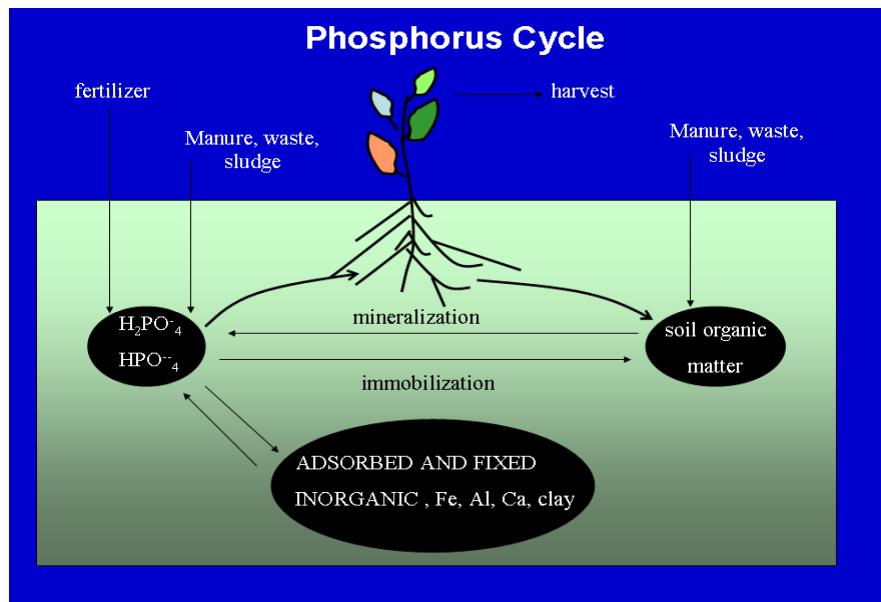
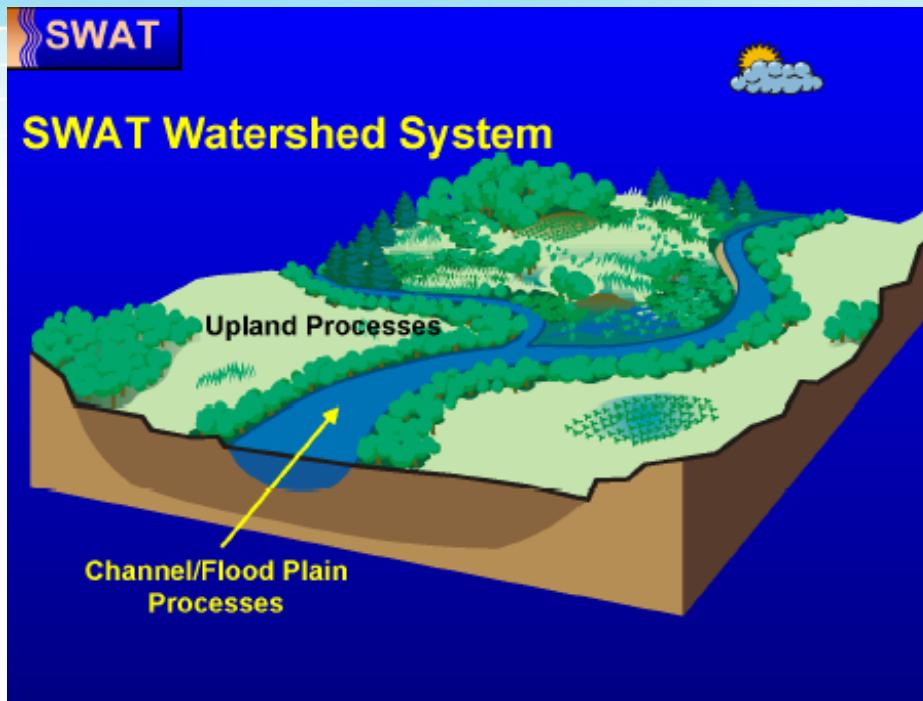
Where CN is the curve number of the day.

$$I_a = 0.2 S$$

$$Q_{surf} = \frac{(R_{day} - 0.2S)^2}{(R_{day} + 0.8S)}$$

The SCS Curve number is a fraction of the soil permeability, land use and antecedent soil water conditions.

Water quality eq



Crop growth eq