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Hydrosystems modelling

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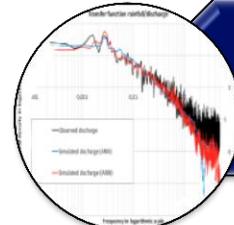


Four methodological domains



Measurement for resource diagnostic

Diagnostic of resources contamination, (persistent pollutants, toxins, bloom algal) in order to better apprehend the state of water (chemical and ecological state) and their probable evolution



Modelling, forecasting

Hydrosystems are generally complex and badly known; besides hydrological modelling, an approach is developed thanks to systemic paradigm



Sustainable management at the scale of the territory

Propose and assess scenarii of development taking into account local features and global changes.



Re-use and recycling of resources

Circular economy: reuse of used waters (urban, industrial, agricultural) as a function of users constraints

Sections CNU : 24 (Aménagement de l'espace, urbanisme), 31 et 32 (Chimie analytique et chimie industrielle), 36 (Sciences de la Terre), 61 (Génie informatique, automatique et traitement du signal), 64 et 65 (Biochimie et biologie moléculaire)



First example: drawdown of the water table of the Lez spring (Hérault-France)

- **Lez spring feeds Montpellier with drinking water (400 000 habitants)**
- **Karst aquifers (fissured, with huge holes and very different permeabilities) – caves and beautiful landscapes**
- **Pumping dries up the spring during summer: pumping is thus done in a physical reservoir whose level diminishes**

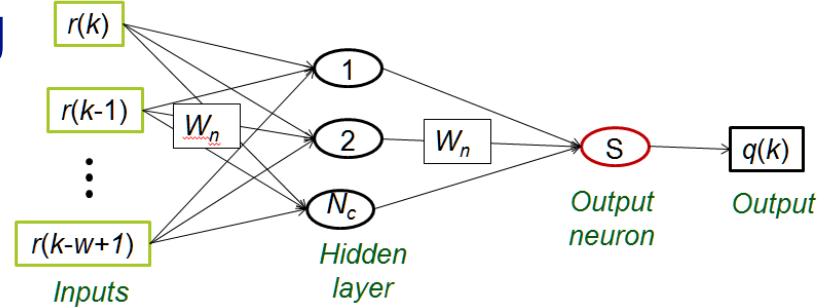


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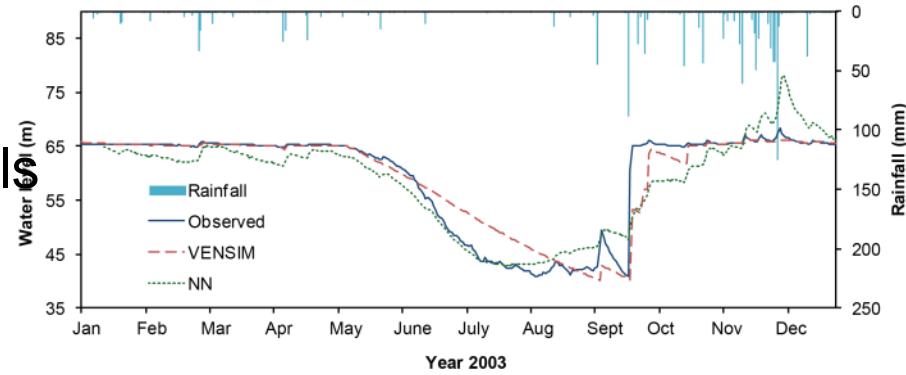


- Rainfall runoff modelling by Neural Networks
(A. Johannet)

- Data:
 - Precipitations
 - Discharge or water levels
 - Springs or rivers
- Goals:
 - Reproduce the observed behaviour;
 - Estimate the response time;
 - Predict impact of global changes on water resources;



c) a priori evapotranspiration



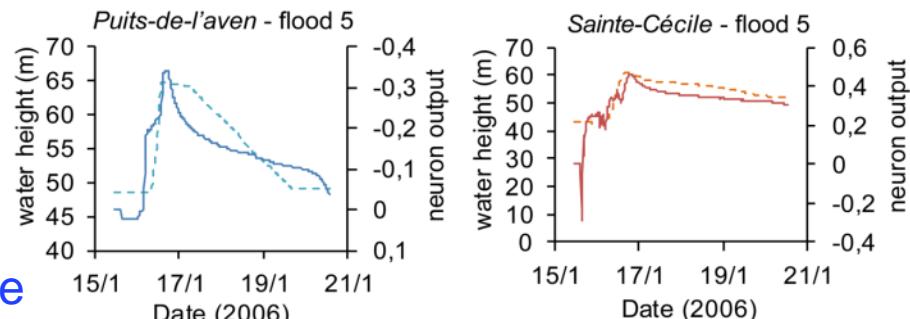
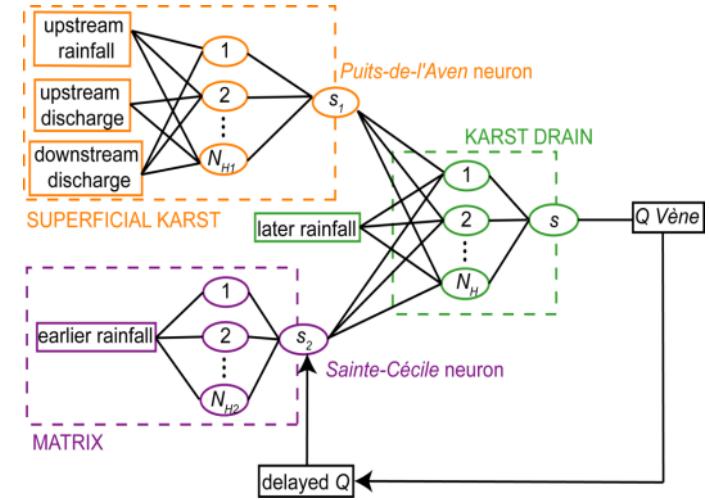
[Kong-A-Siou, J. Hydrology 2014]

◦ Semi supervised estimation of proxies

(EMA : A. Johannet)
Collaboration H. Jourde HSM



- Estimation of proxies representatives of surface – underground exchanges for a karst aquifer *Coulazou* (Hérault)
- Proposition of a bloc diagram
 - Bloc « matrix »
 - Bloc « surface contribution »
 - Bloc « drain »
- Extraction of signals inside the model:
 - Good correlation between proxies previously identified: water levels at *Puits-de-l'Aven* and at *Ste-Cécile* well.



[Kong-A-Siou, ISKA Malaga, 2014]

Second example : Inversion of rainfall-runoff relation

- Compare implementation of discharge-rainfall relation implemented by classical neural network modelling (MLP) and ...
- Rebuilt of rainfall through a neural model thanks to data assimilation
 - One event
 - One year
- First trial : on virtual hydrologic model (without noise and uncertainties)

[submitted to IJCNN 2015]



The *Lez* spring with water



Inversion of rainfall-runoff relation vs. data assimilation

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- Rainfall-runoff relation depends on a lot of variables :
 - Evapotranspiration
 - Soils
 - Land use, ...
 - Hydrologic data are measured with great uncertainties and noise
 - Rainfalls (RADAR, raingauges) : 20%
 - Discharge 20%, (30% on peak flow for flash floods)
 - Nonlinear
 - Non stationary (climate change, anthropogenic effects)

The *Lez* river with water

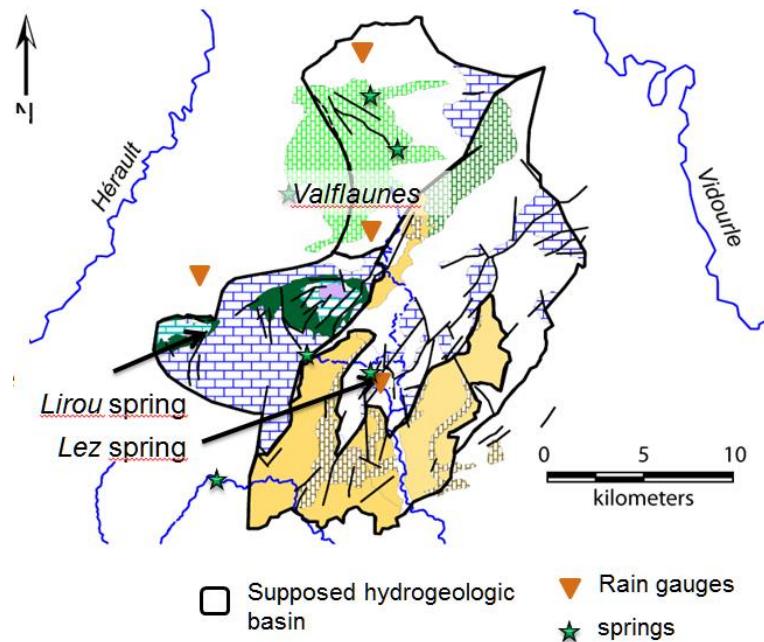


Inversion of rainfall-runoff relation vs. data assimilation

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- **Data assimilation is a mathematical framework**
 - set of statistical methods used to integrate recent observations in order to improve systems modeling or knowledge,
 - especially for nonlinear and non-stationary systems
 - **Widely used in geosciences: hydrology, agronomy, oceanography, physics of atmosphere, and meteorology.**
 - **In hydrology, data assimilation is used to estimate initial conditions**
 - **It allows taking into account non stationary (climate change, anthropogenic effects)**
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- **In the neural networks formalism:**
 - Adaptivity when parameters are corrected
 - Input correction thanks to minimization of the cost function (as well as for parameters)

Inversion of rainfall-runoff relation vs. data assimilation. Case study : le *Lez* aquifer

- **Lez aquifer: complex hydrosystem of 380 km² at the *Lez* spring**
- **Several springs; only one is gauged for a long time**
- **Faults and heterogeneous geology**
- **Heterogeneous rainfalls (space and time variability)**



- **Database:**
 - Discharge and rainfalls: daily time step from 11/11/1987 to 04/06/2007 (20 years)
 - Rainfalls at *Valflaunes* for the same duration



Inversion of rainfall-runoff relation vs. data assimilation. Case study: le *Lez* aquifer

- *Method : first address a case study without noise*
- Build an artificial basin with the reservoir model karstmod
(<http://www.sokarst.org/index.asp?menu=karstmod>)
- Actual rainfall dataset
- Consider estimated discharge of Karstmod as real discharge of the virtual aquifer.

- Test on two configurations
 - One rain event removed
 - One year of rain set to 0

- Compare direct modelling with ANN and data assimilation



Inversion of rainfall-runoff relation vs. data assimilation. Case study: le Lez aquifer

■ *Direct modelling of the inverse relation*

■ Multilayer perceptron

- Static (finite impulse response model)

$$y^k = g_{NN}(u^k, \dots, u^{k-w_u+1})$$

- Feedforwad (finite impulse response model inputted by rainfalls and previous measured output)

$$y^k = g_{NN}(y_p^{k-1}, \dots, y_p^{k-w_y}, u^k, \dots, u^{k-w_u+1})$$

- Recurrent model (infinite impulse response)

$$y^k = g_{NN}(y^{k-1}, \dots, y^{k-w_y}, u^k, \dots, u^{k-w_u+1})$$

■ Database

- Training 11/11/1987 to 31/12/2003, approximately 16 years
- Stopping 01/01/2004 to 31/12/2005, 2 years
- Test 01/01/2006 to 04/06/2007, approximately 1.5 year

y^k

: estimated discharge

y_p^k

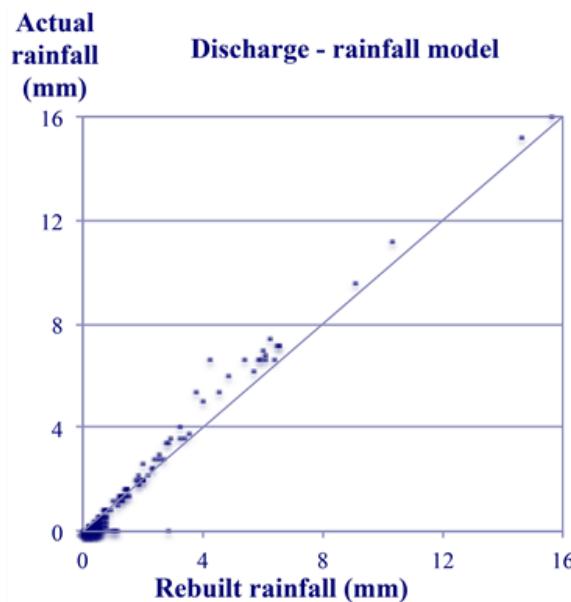
: measured discharge
rainfall u^k ,

g_{NN} : function
implemented by NN

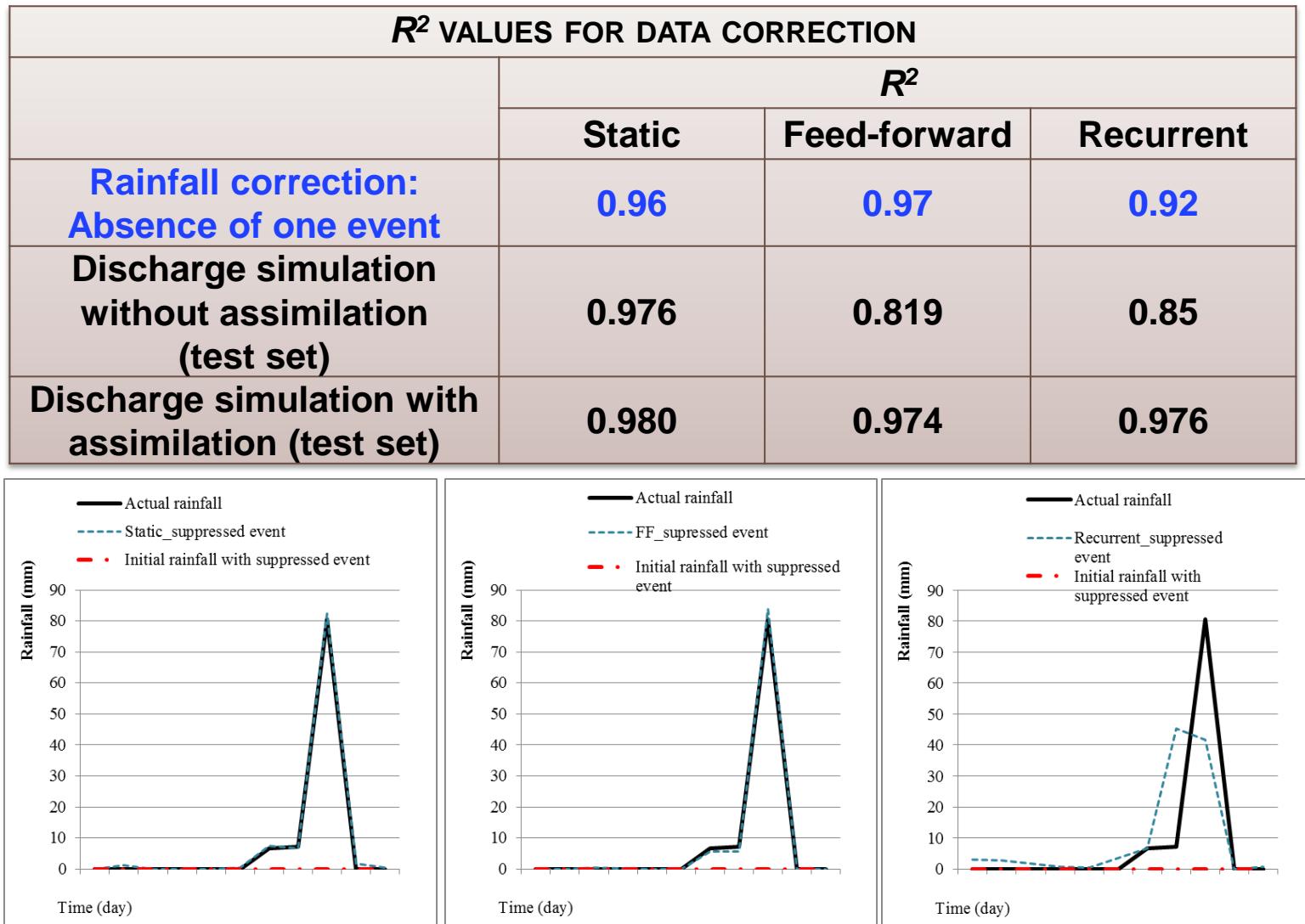
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R² VALUES FOR RAINFALL-RUNOFF INVERSION	
	R² (determination coefficient)
	Test period
Rainfall estimation from discharge	0.98



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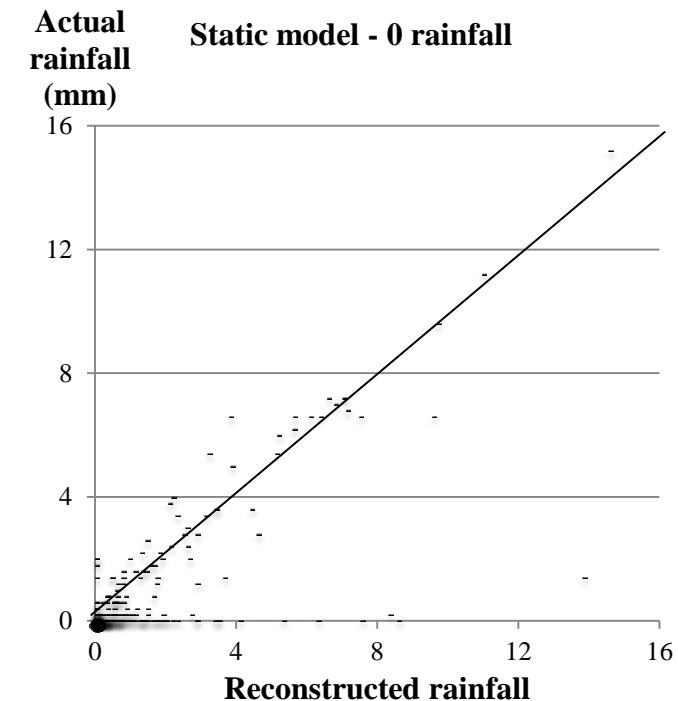
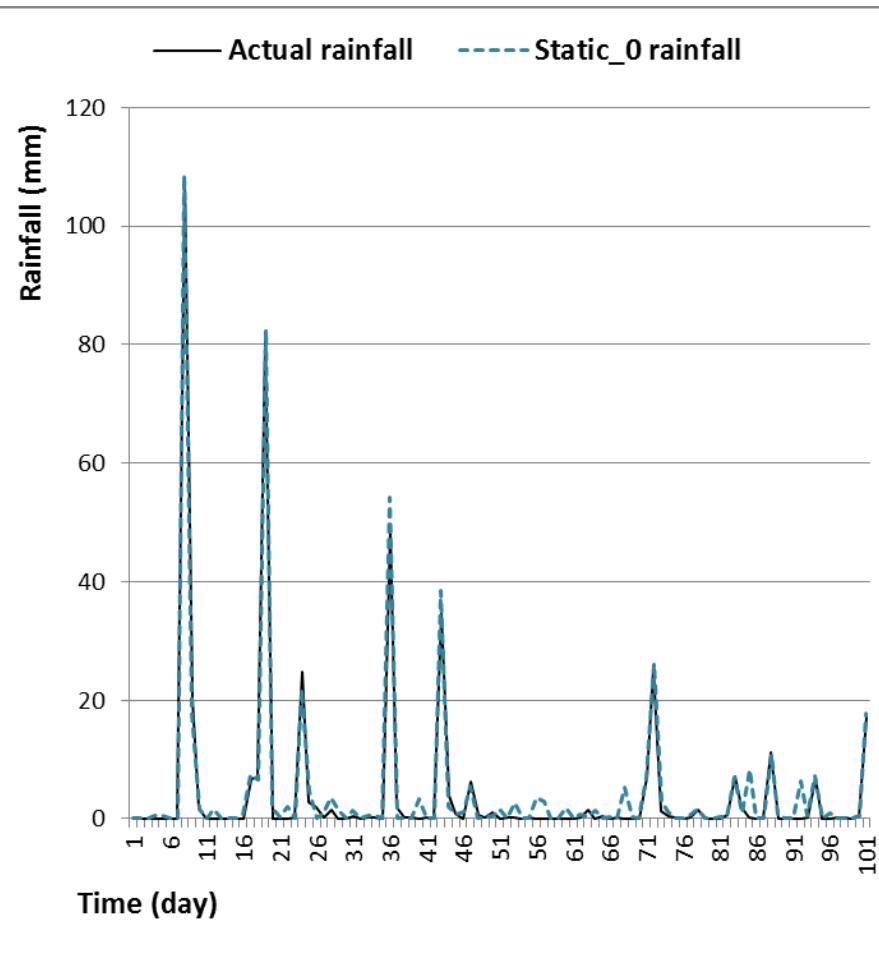


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R^2 VALUES FOR DATA REBUILT			
	R^2		
	Static	Feed-forward	Recurrent
Rainfall rebuilt from 0 hypothesis	0.98	0.96	0.60
Discharge simulation without assimilation (test set)	-1.23	0.912	-1.024
Discharge simulation with assimilation (test set)	0.91	0.915	0.909

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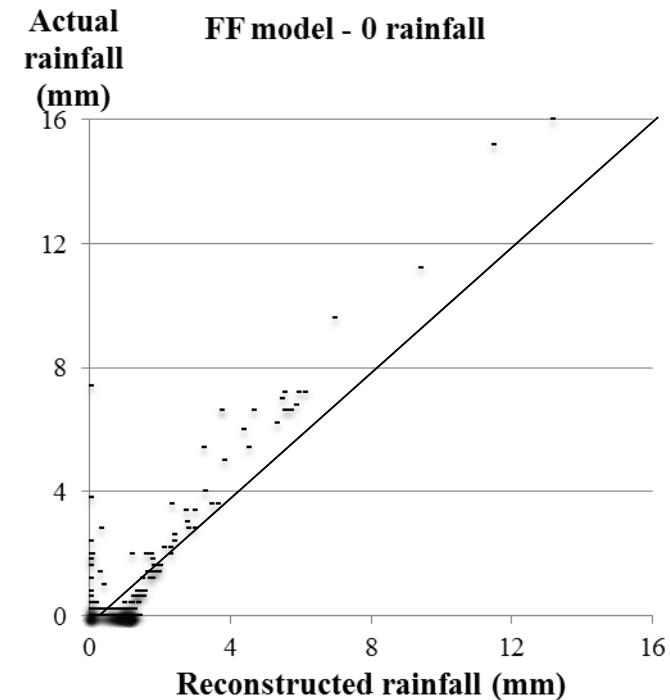
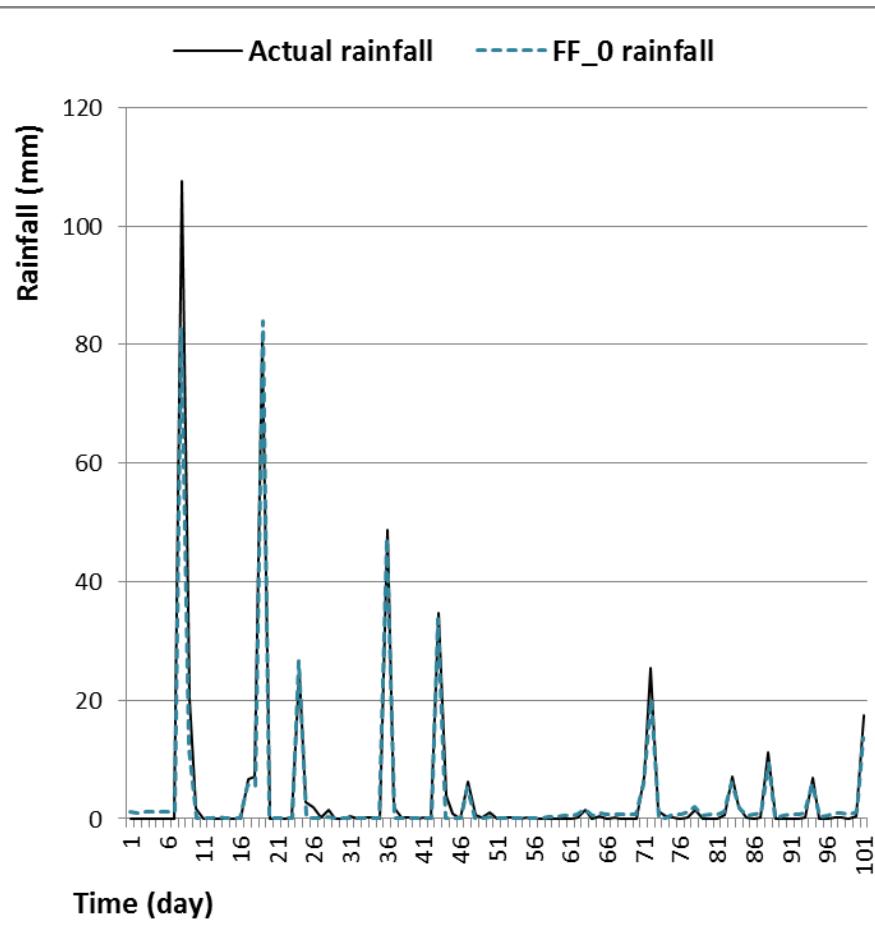
■ Static model





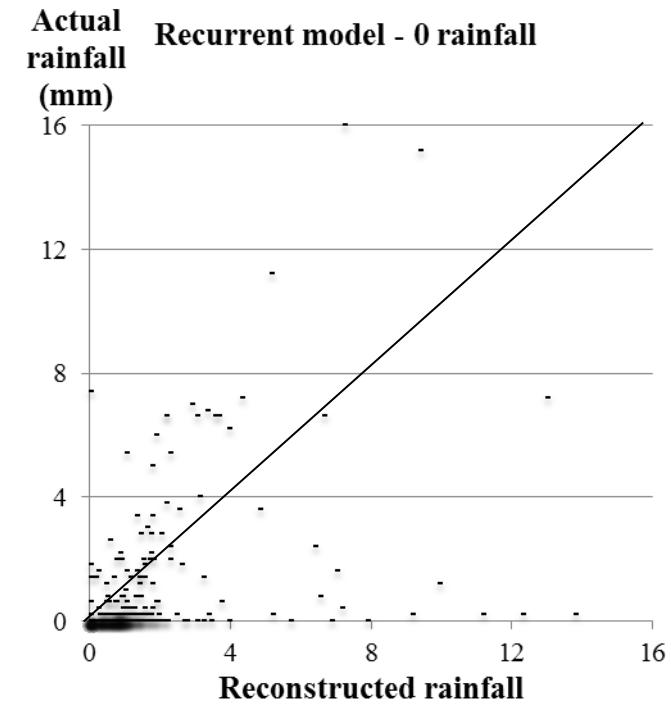
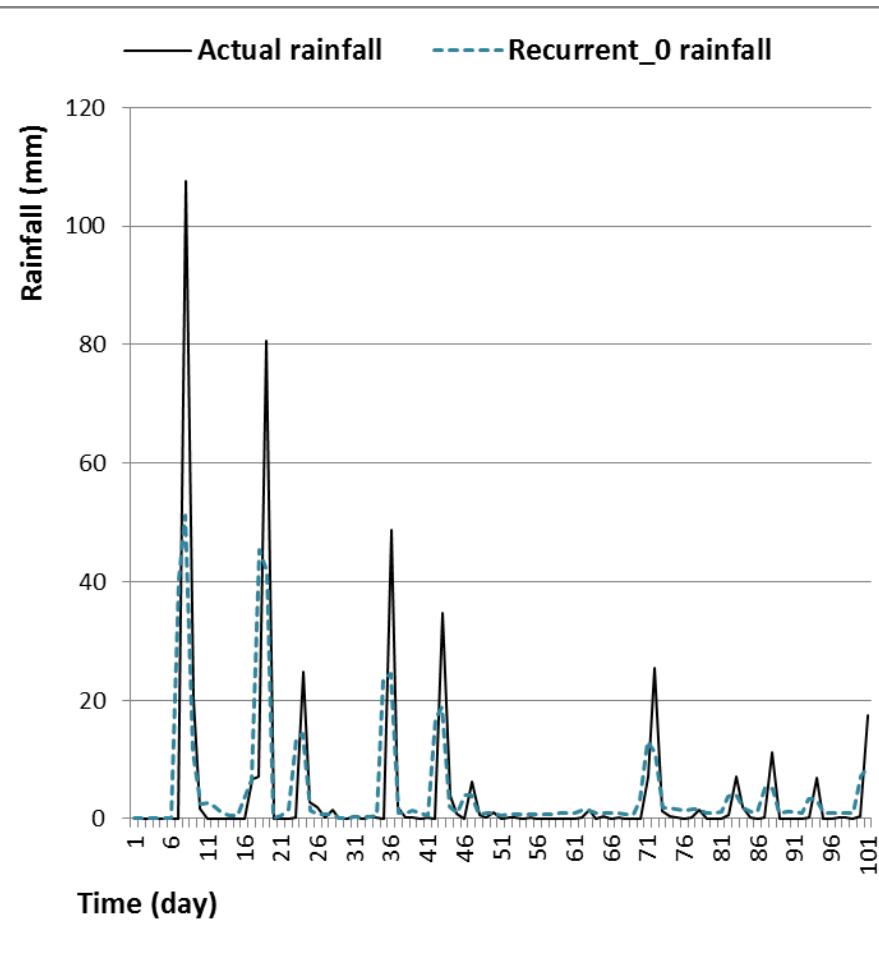
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■ Feedforward model



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■ Recurrent model





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■ Conclusion

- fictitious model without noise
- inverse direct modelling of rainfall-runoff relation is very efficient and works as well as the best method of data assimilation

■ It would be:

- very useful to supplement historical databases
- adapt databases to more modern instrumentation

■ Before to transpose this method to real cases it would be necessary to better evaluate the role of noise



Thank you for your attention





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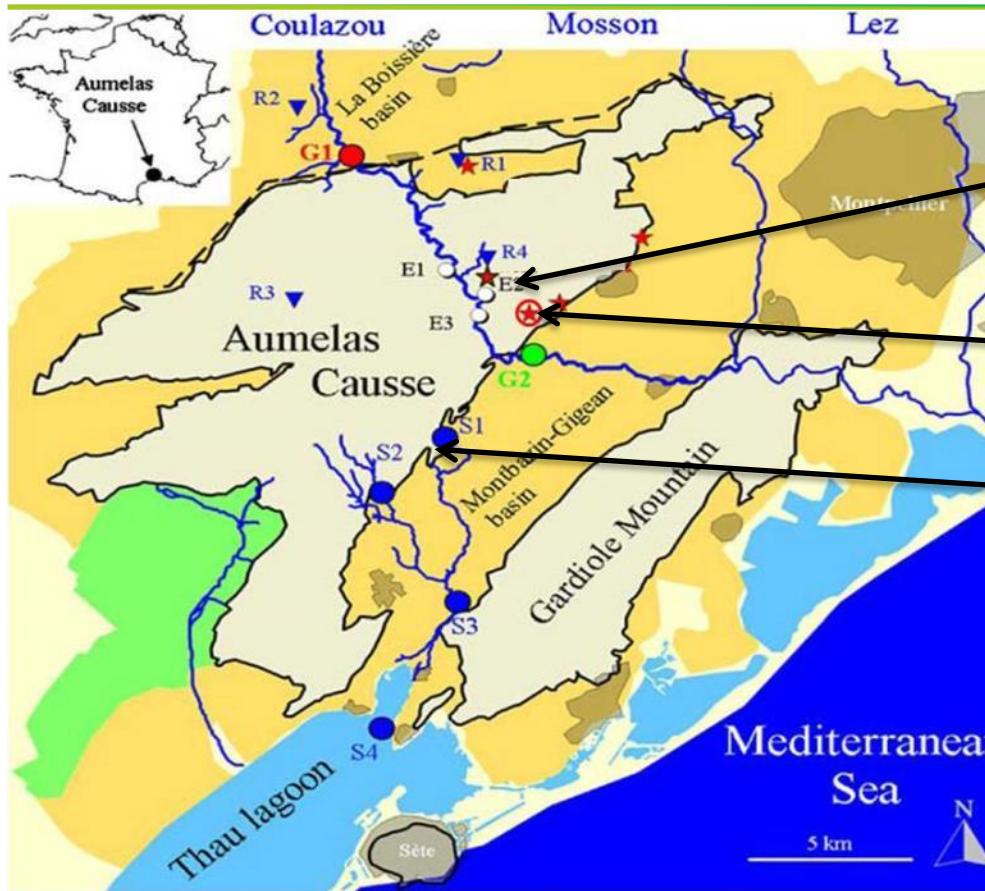
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ARCHITECTURE OF DESIGNED MODELS

W_u and W_y are the size of sliding window length of respectively rainfall and recurrent input ; h_n is the number of hidden neurons

	Runoff-rainfall relation (inverse model)		
	Static	Feed-forward	Recurrent
w_u	-	3	-
w_y	-	9	-
h_n	-	1	-
	Rainfall runoff model with data assimilation		
	Static	Feed-forward	Recurrent
w_u	50	8	8
w_y	-	2	2
h_n	6	4	4

2. The Causse d'Aumelas



- Gaging Station G1 (upstream, input signal)
- Gaging Station G2 (downstream, output signal)
- Main Spring : La Vène (S1) ; Les Oulettes (S2) ; Issanka (S3) ; La Vise (S4)
- Swallow-hole : Les Grandes-Combes (E1) ; Le Puits de l'Aven (E2) ; L'arche de Noé (E3)
- ▼ Rain gage : La Tour (R1) ; La Boissière (R2) ; Figuière (R3) ; Les Blaquières (R4)
- ★ Monitoring wells ◊ Sainte Cécile well

Tertiary terrains
Cretaceous terrains
Jurassic Karst

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— - - Fault (Western part of Montpellier fold)

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Puits de l'aven
swallow hole
Sainte Cécile well
Vène spring

Coulazou Catchement:

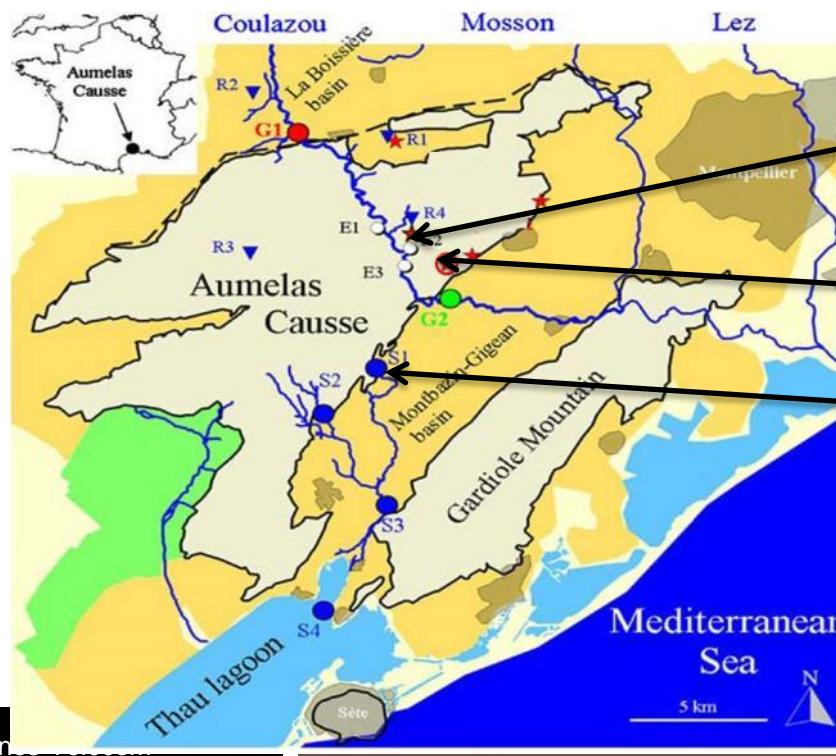
- Upstream (non-karst area) : 20km²
- Downstream (karst area): 40 km²

Transparent box for the Aumelas hydro system



➤ Available data

- ✓ 16 floods with 15 min time step
- ✓ Rainfall (4 rain gauge)
- ✓ Runoff : 3 gauging station (*Coulazou* upstream and downstream, *Vène* spring)
- ✓ Water level in a well and 3 swallow holes



Puits de
l'aven
swallow
hole
Salente
Cecile well
Vène spring

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Roxies of karst/river interactions

➤ Water level at *Sainte-Cécile* well: hydraulic connection between karst and river

- ✓ Perched stream
- ✓ Connected stream

➤ Water level at *Puits-de-l'Aven*: direction of stream

- ✓ Gaining stream
- ✓ Loosing stream



Puits-de-
l'Aven
swallow
hole
Sainte-
Cécile well

Vène spring

Postulated model

