

# Uncertainty Reduction in Fluvial Flood Re-analysis by Assimilating SAR-derived Flood Extent Maps

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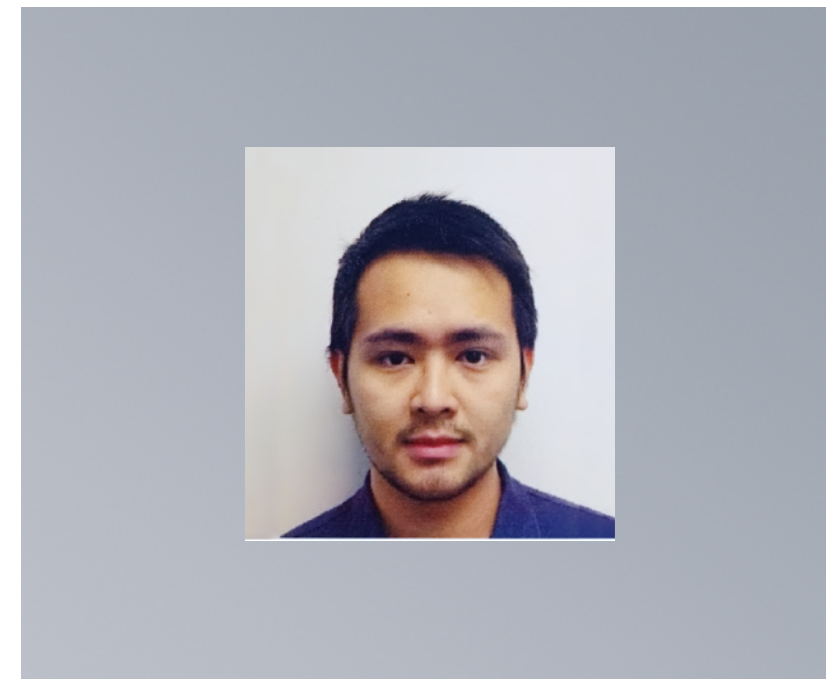
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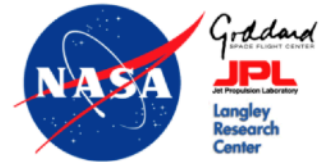
# SCO-FLOODDAM-DIGITAL TWIN

## **FloodDAM-DT: Flood Detect, Alert & rapid Mapping – Digital Twin**

An earth science digital twin architecture based on the water cycle and specifically flood hazards as its first application

### **Work-packages:**

- Flood detection and alert based on in-situ river stations
- Mapping and monitoring on-going flood events
- Producing flood risk maps on selected zones
- Short-term forecasting using CFD models

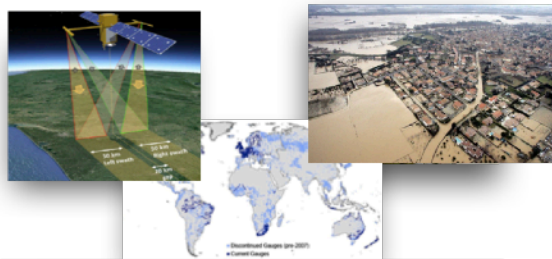


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# CHALLENGES IN HYDROLOGY

## Operational issue

How to predict river discharge for flood forecasting and water balance estimation?



### Observations

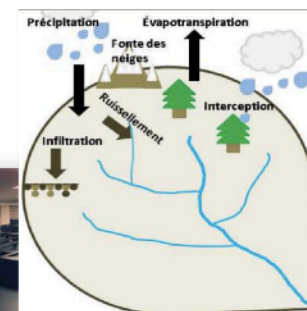
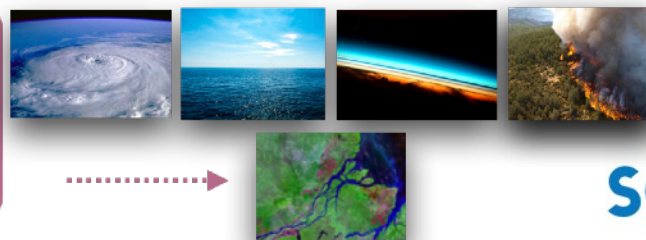
- in-situ : high frequency but sparse
- remote sensing : spatial coverage but low temporal coverage
- Various nature of errors



### Data assimilation

## Scientific issue

How to apply data assimilation to predict discharge and water level in rivers, estuaries and lakes ?



### Numerical simulations

- Simplified Navier-Stokes equations 1D, 2D, 3D
- Limited information on bathymetry, topography, friction, hydrology, rainfall and maritime forcing



# OBJECTIVES

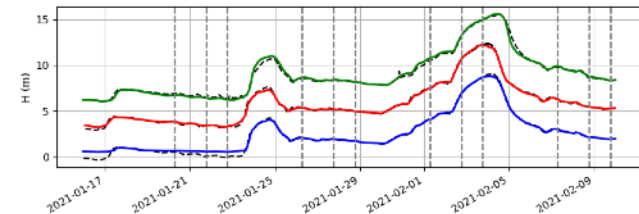
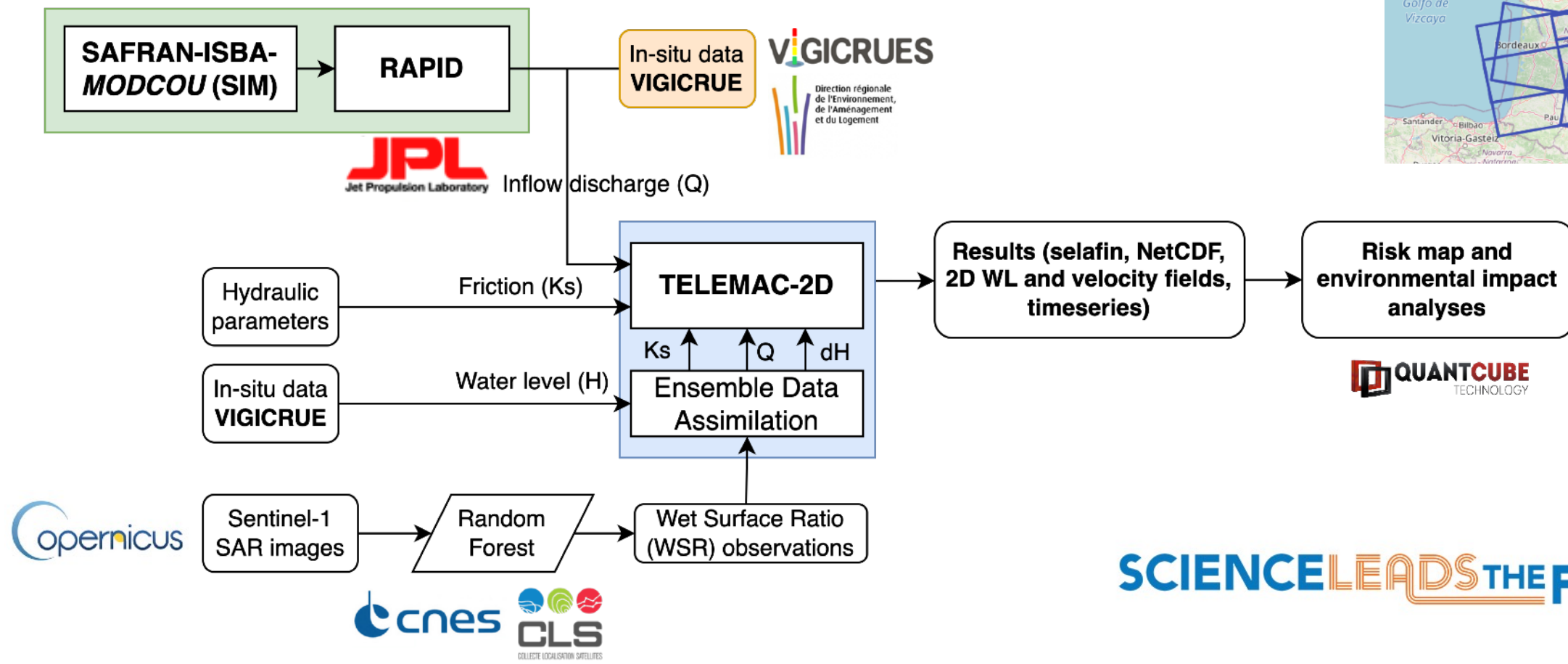
From large-scale to local-scale:

- High-fidelity hydrodynamic models require large amount of input data
- BC forcing from observations or **larger scale hydrologic model** in forecast
- Fine spatial and temporal scale for hydraulic state and flood dynamics

Make the most out of VHR remote sensing data AND numerical models

- On model inputs: bathymetry, topography, vegetation, friction
- On model correction : calibration, data assimilation for sequential update
- Risk evaluation based on ensemble approach
- Improve RS data with numerical simulations (data augmentation approach)

# WORKFLOW AND DATA



# TELEMAC-2D GARONNE MODEL

Study Area and Model

## Model provided by EDF

- 50-km river reach (simple test case)
- Downstream from the Garonne-Lot confluence
- High flood risk impacting urban area

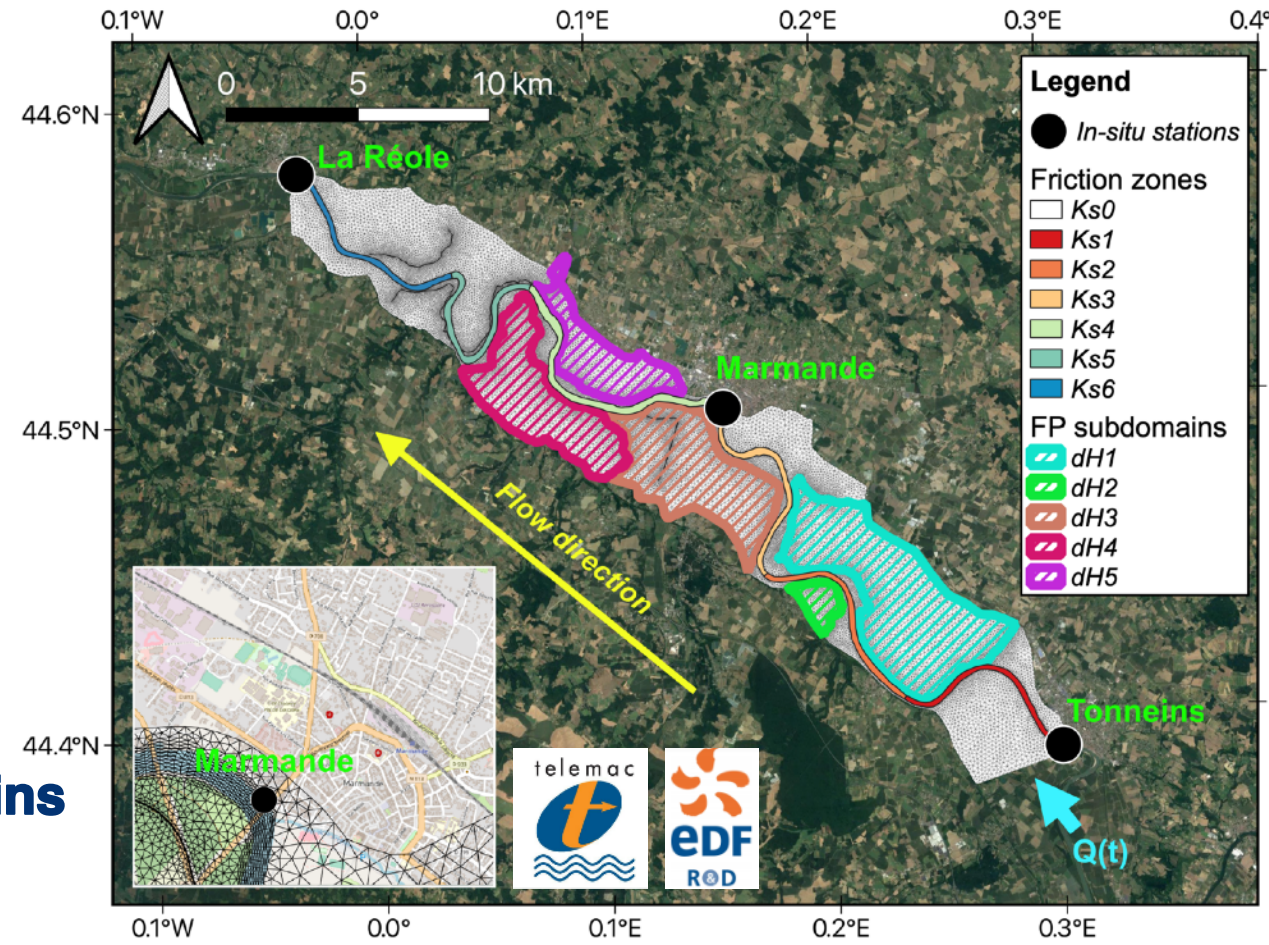
41,000-node mesh with different triangle size among riverbed, floodplain and dykes.

## Boundary conditions:

- Upstream hydrograph  $Q(t)$  at Tonneins
- Downstream rating curve  $Z(Q)$  at La Réole

**In-situ water-level data:** 3 observing stations

**Water level correction in 5 floodplain subdomains**

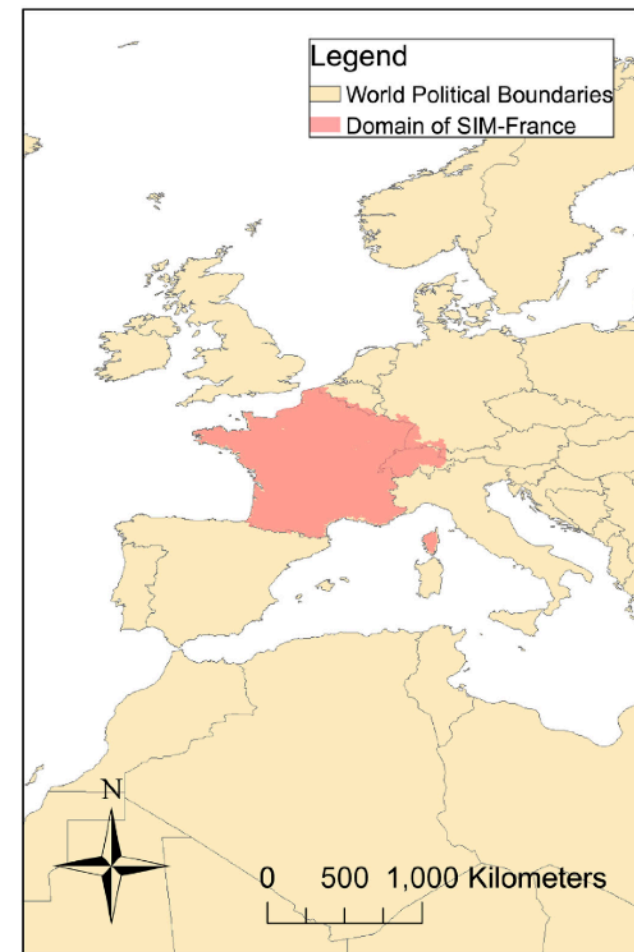




# CHAINING HYDROLOGIC-HYDRAULIC MODELS

- Routing Application for Parallel computatlon of Discharge (<http://rapid-hub.org/>)
- Replacing the river routing scheme in MODCOU from SAFRAN-ISBA-MODCOU (SIM) hydrometeorological model applied over France
- Divided by drainage basins
- 3-hourly timestep

Reference: David et al (2011), RAPID applied to the SIM-France model, Hydrological Processes, 25(22), 3412-3425. DOI: 10.1002/hyp.8070.

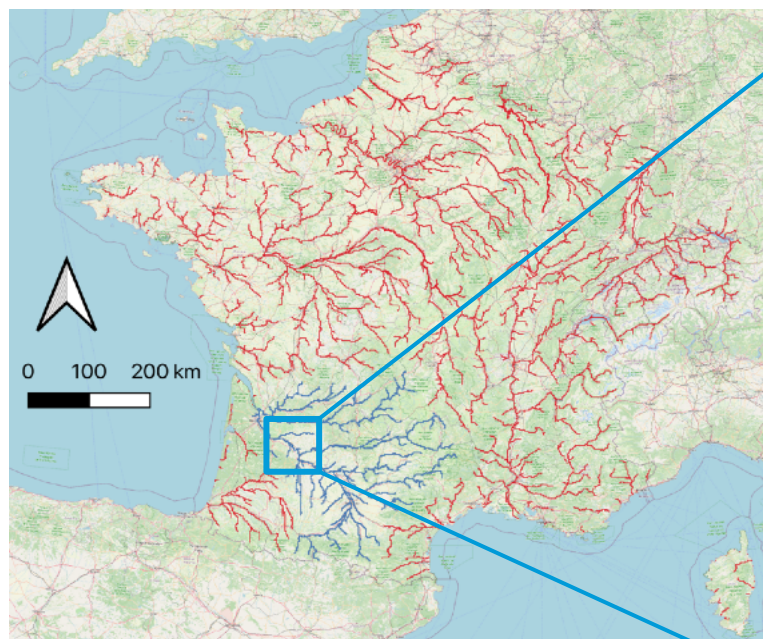




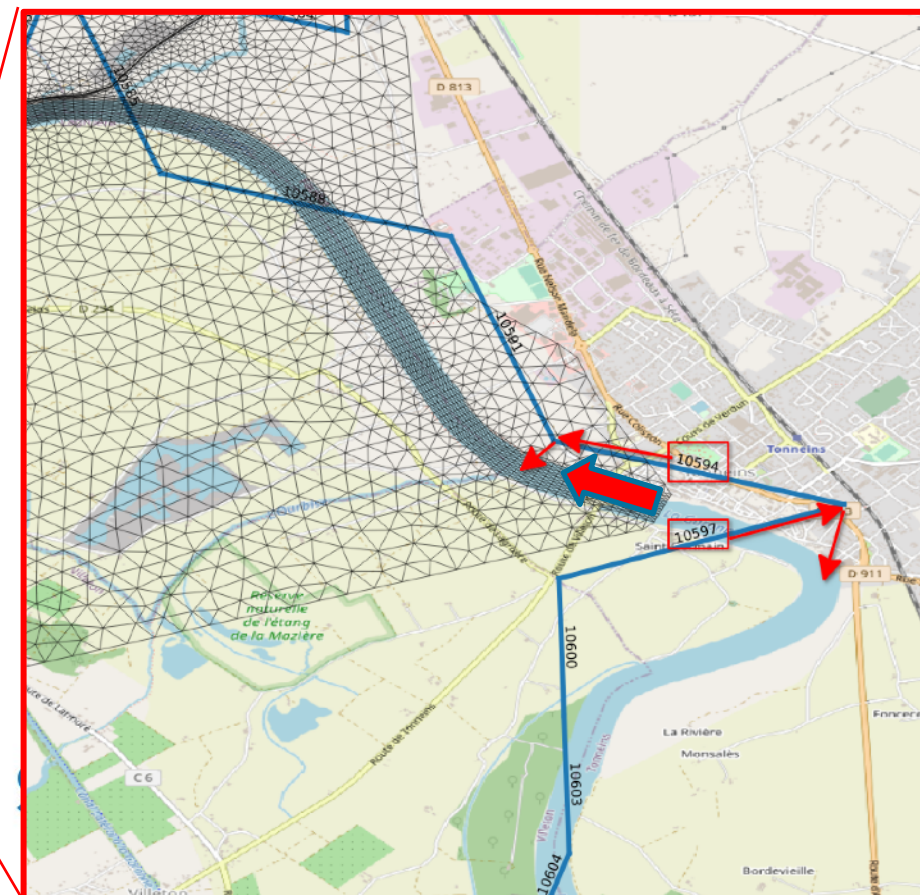
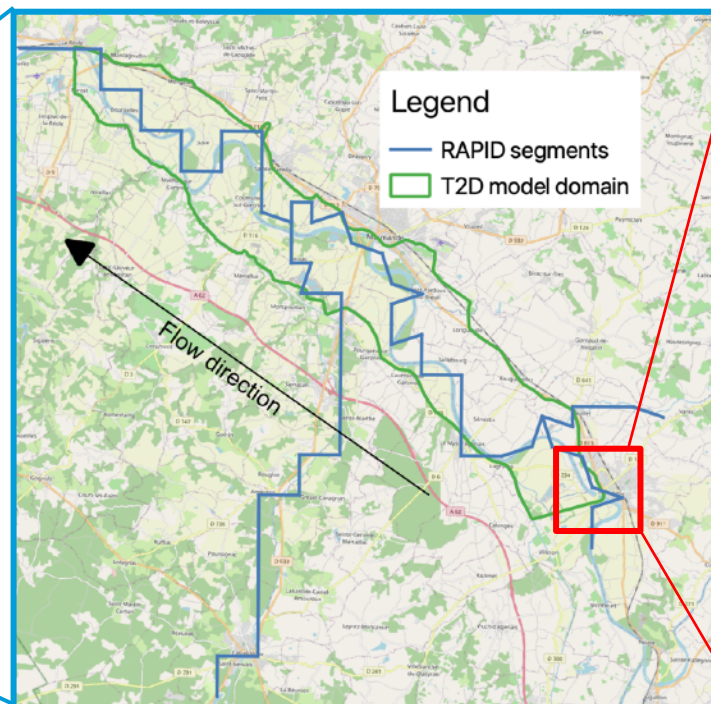
# FORCING BY RAPID SIMULATION

Tonneins (upstream BC)

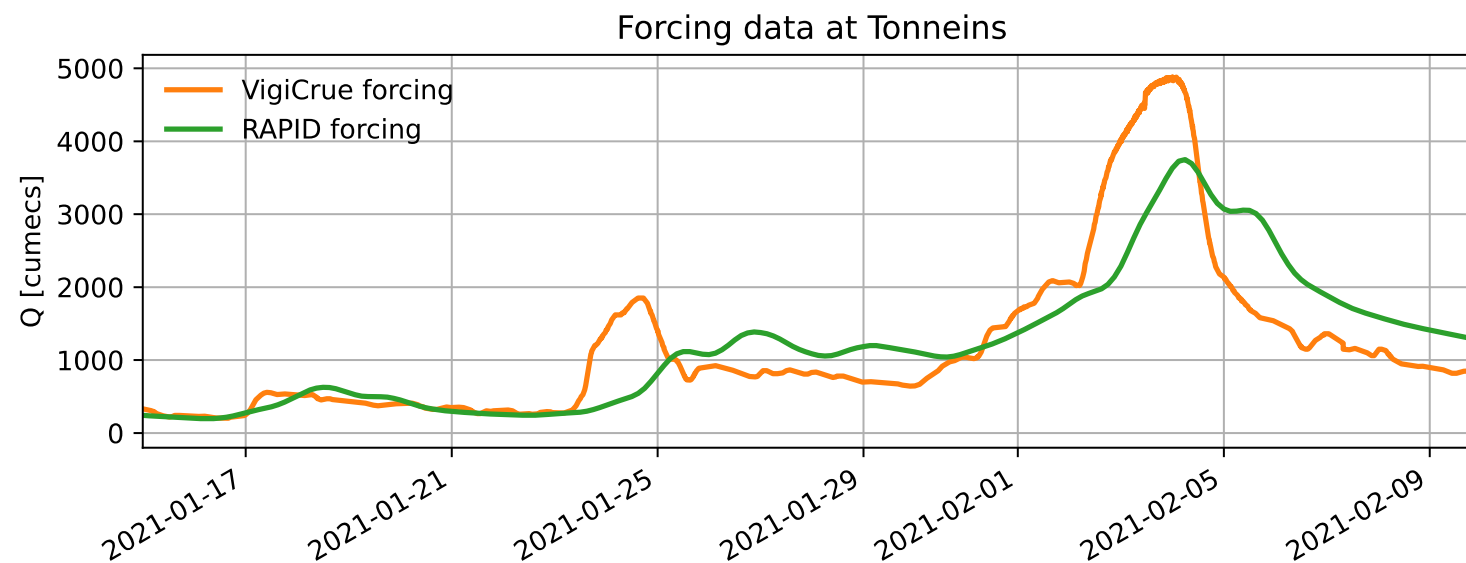
Garonne Marmandaise  
T2D domain



Garonne watershed



# CHAINING HYDROLOGY WITH HYDRAULIC MODELS

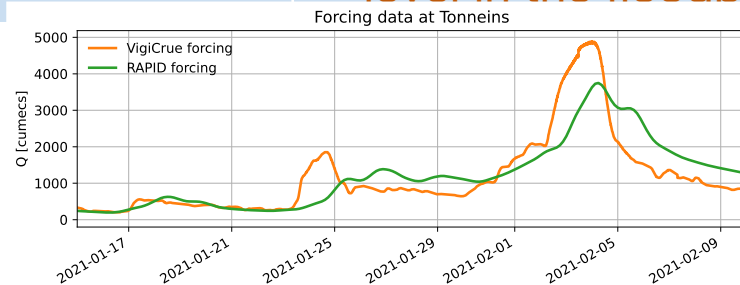


# CHAINING HYDROLOGY WITH HYDRAULIC MODELS

Using measured **VigiCrue** data as forcing

Using **RAPID** simulation as forcing

No assimilation	<b><u>FR<sup>V</sup></u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>VigiCrue forcing + T2D model</li> </ul>	<b><u>FR<sup>R</sup></u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RAPID forcing + T2D model</li> </ul>
Only assimilates in-situ obs	<b><u>IDA<sup>V</sup></u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>VigiCrue forcing + T2D model</li> <li>Corrects frictions + upstream Q</li> </ul>	<b><u>IDA<sup>R</sup></u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RAPID forcing + T2D model</li> <li>Corrects frictions + upstream Q</li> </ul>
Assimilates in-situ obs and WSR obs	<b><u>IGDA<sup>V</sup></u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>VigiCrue forcing + T2D model</li> <li>Corrects frictions + upstream Q + water level in the floodplain</li> </ul>	<b><u>IGDA<sup>R</sup></u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RAPID forcing + T2D model</li> <li>Corrects frictions + upstream Q + water level in the floodplain</li> </ul>





# QUANTITATIVE RESULTS

	Assimilated obs.	Control vector	1D RMSE			2D Critical Success Index		
			Tonneins	Marmande	La Réole	02/02 19h00	03/02 19h00	07/02 07h00
FR <sup>V</sup>	-	-	0.359	0.193	0.225	49.65%	67.90%	74.53%
IDA <sup>V</sup>	Insitu WL	Friction + Q	<u>0.053</u>	0.036	<u>0.080</u>	48.67%	68.30%	76.10%
IGDA <sup>V</sup>	Insitu WL + WSR	Friction + Q + FP	0.059	<u>0.035</u>	0.087	<u>95.41%</u>	<u>92.32%</u>	<u>88.28%</u>
FR <sup>R</sup>	-	-	1.550	1.254	1.370	46.06%	36.63%	63.24%
IDA <sup>R</sup>	Insitu WL	Friction + Q	0.467	0.292	0.635	48.77%	57.90%	77.63%
IGDA <sup>R</sup>	Insitu WL + WSR	Friction + Q + FP	<u>0.326</u>	<u>0.229</u>	<u>0.440</u>	<u>95.76%</u>	<u>94.34%</u>	<u>88.38%</u>

All EnKF runs have 75 members

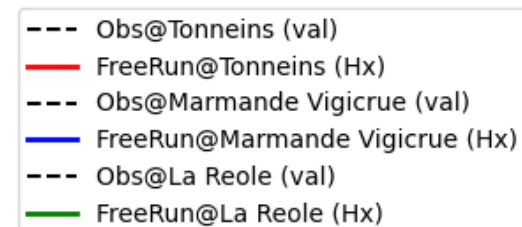
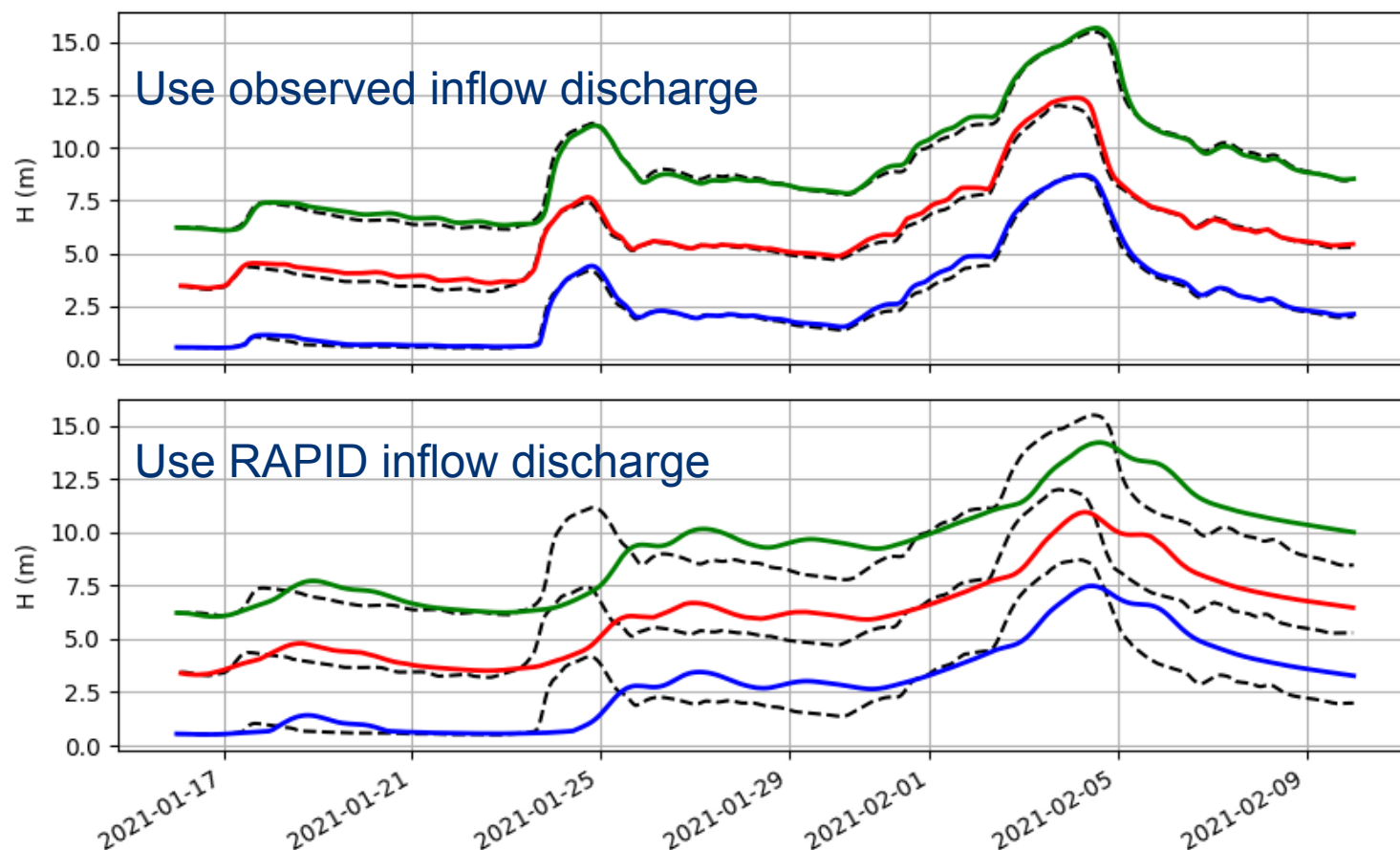
Q: correction on upstream forcing

FP: correction on water level in the floodplain



## FR<sup>V</sup> VS FR<sup>R</sup>

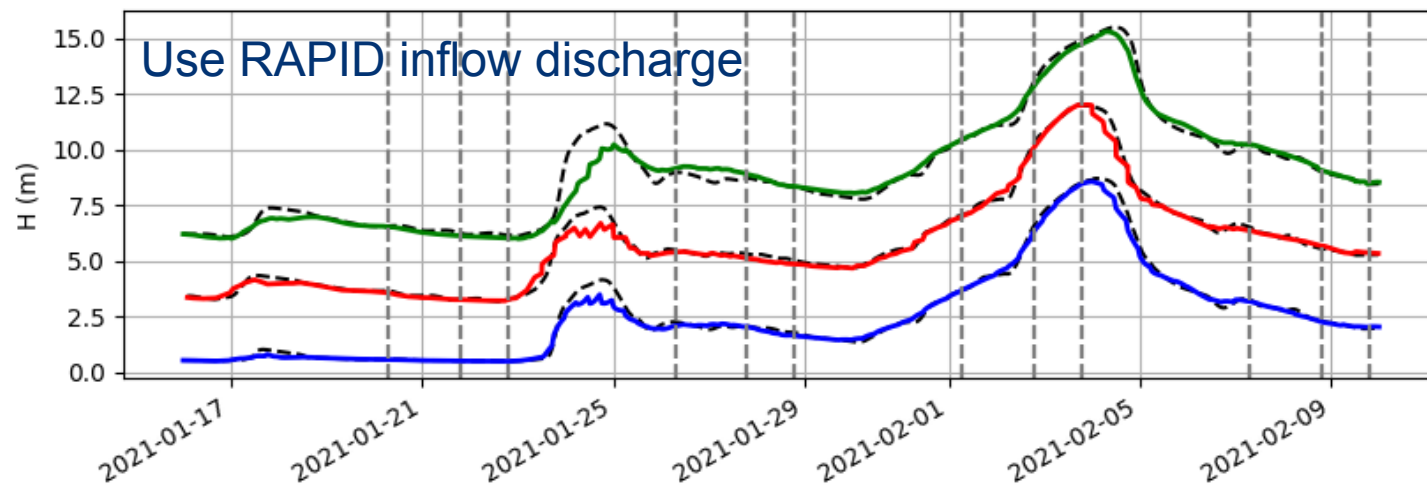
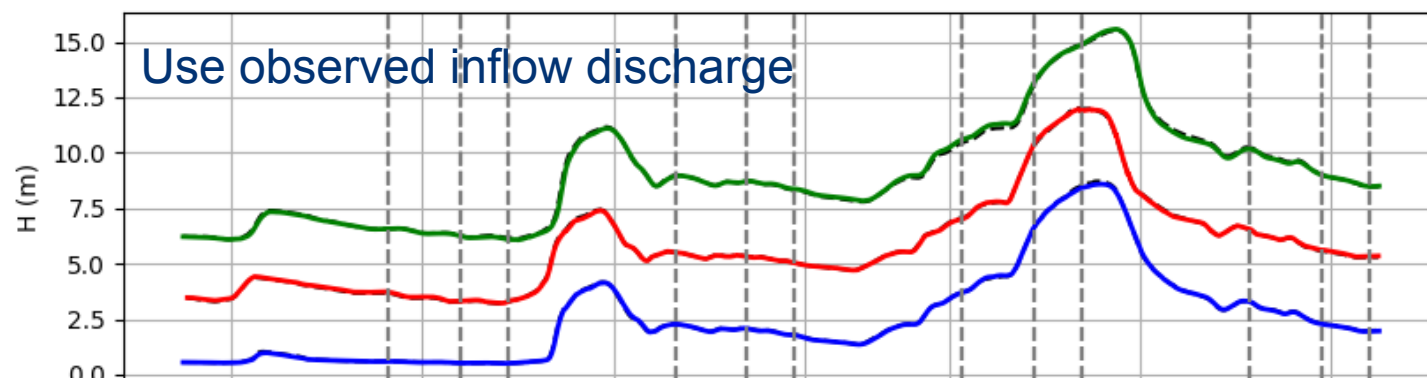
- Open-loop simulation or FREE RUN (w/o assimilation)
- Use calibrated values for friction (constant) and observed forcing at boundary condition



RMSE	Tonneins	Marmande	La Réole
FR <sup>V</sup> (top)	0.359	0.193	0.225
FR <sup>R</sup> (bottom)	1.550	1.254	1.370

## IGDA<sup>V</sup> VS IGDA<sup>R</sup>

- Cycled EnKF DA of in-situ and RS-derived WSR
- Applied a Gaussian anamorphosis (variable change)



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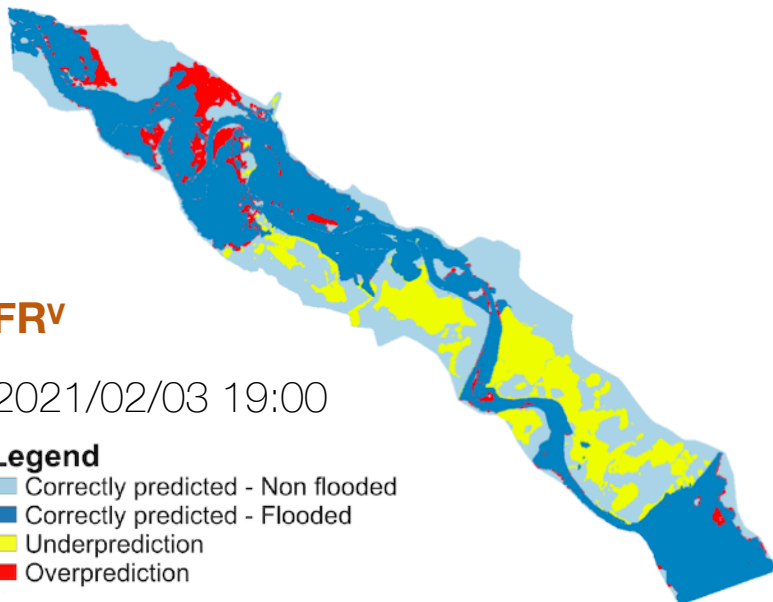
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$FR^V$

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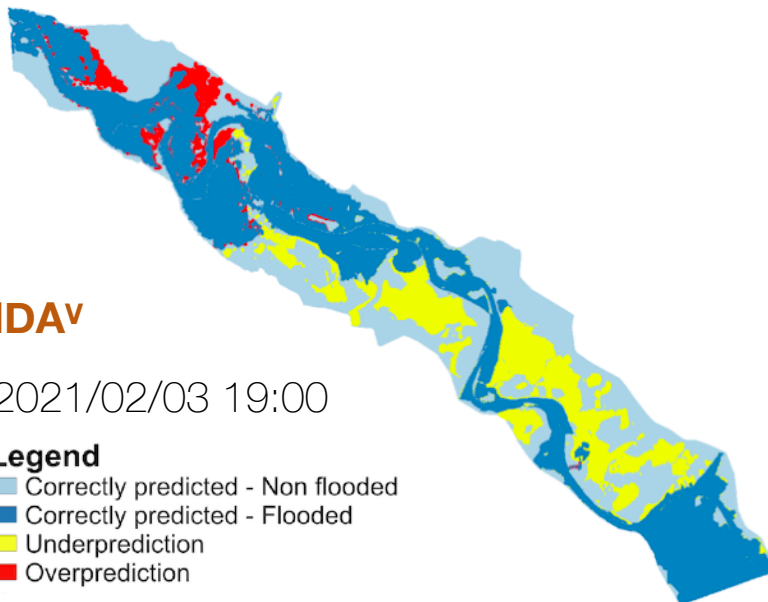


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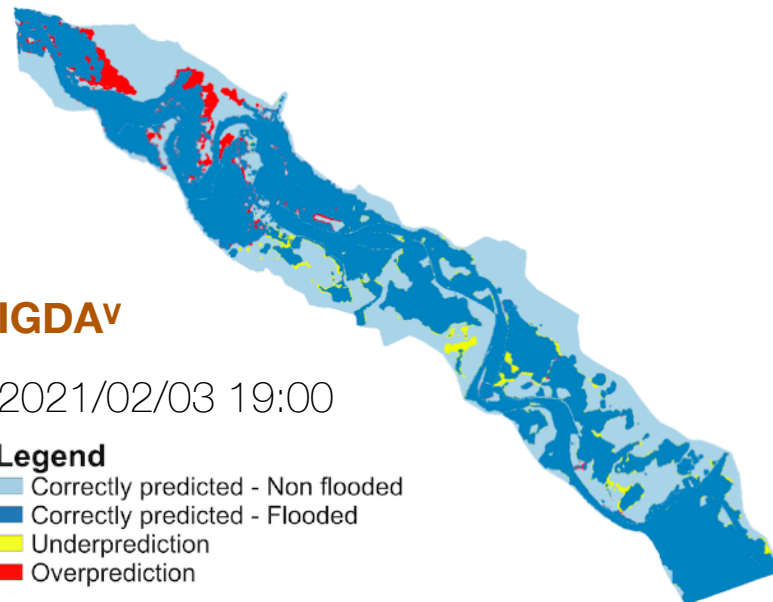


$IGDA^V$

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$IGDA^V$  (right)

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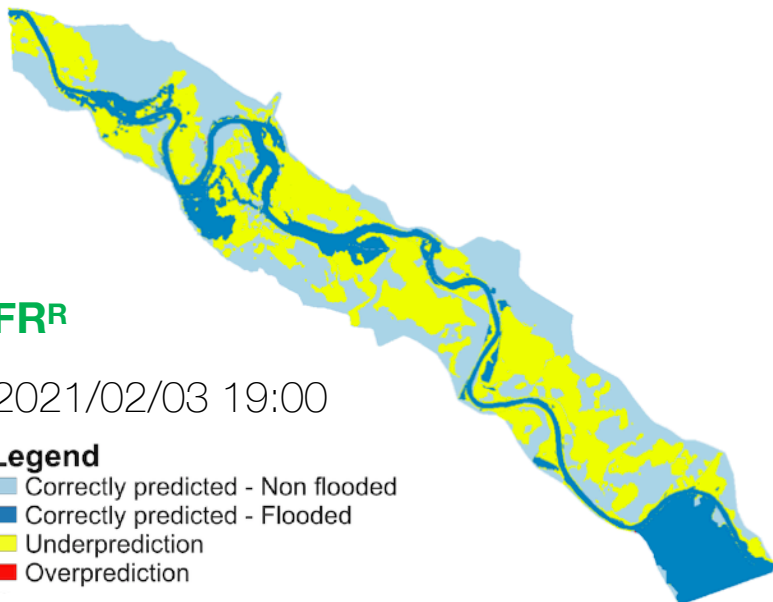
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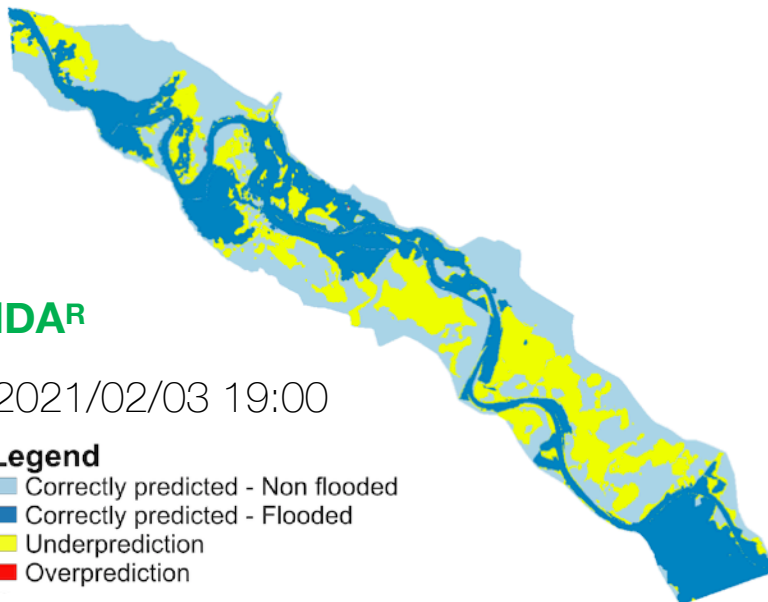


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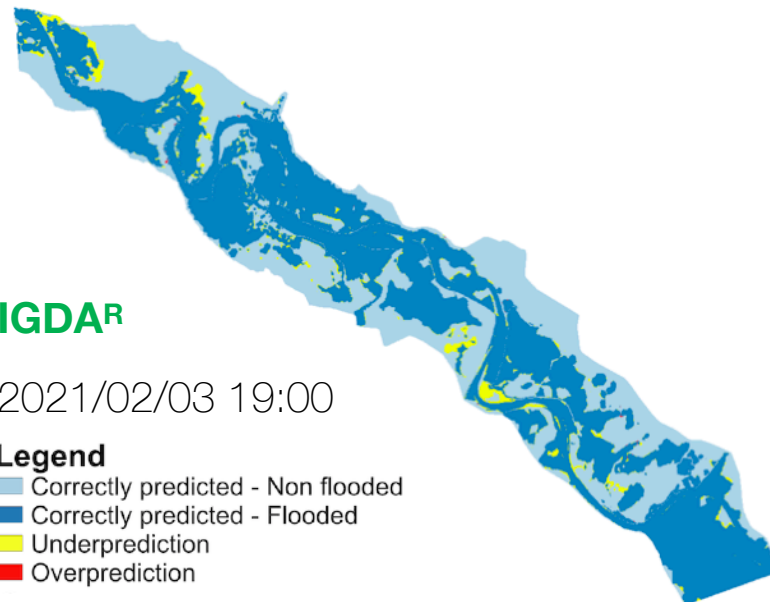


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- ❑ Simulate more recent events with RAPID over flood events when Sentinel-1 observations are available
- ❑ Extend to other catchment of interest (e.g. Ohio-Wabash, Adour River, Rhine River)
- ❑ Run simulation in forecast mode

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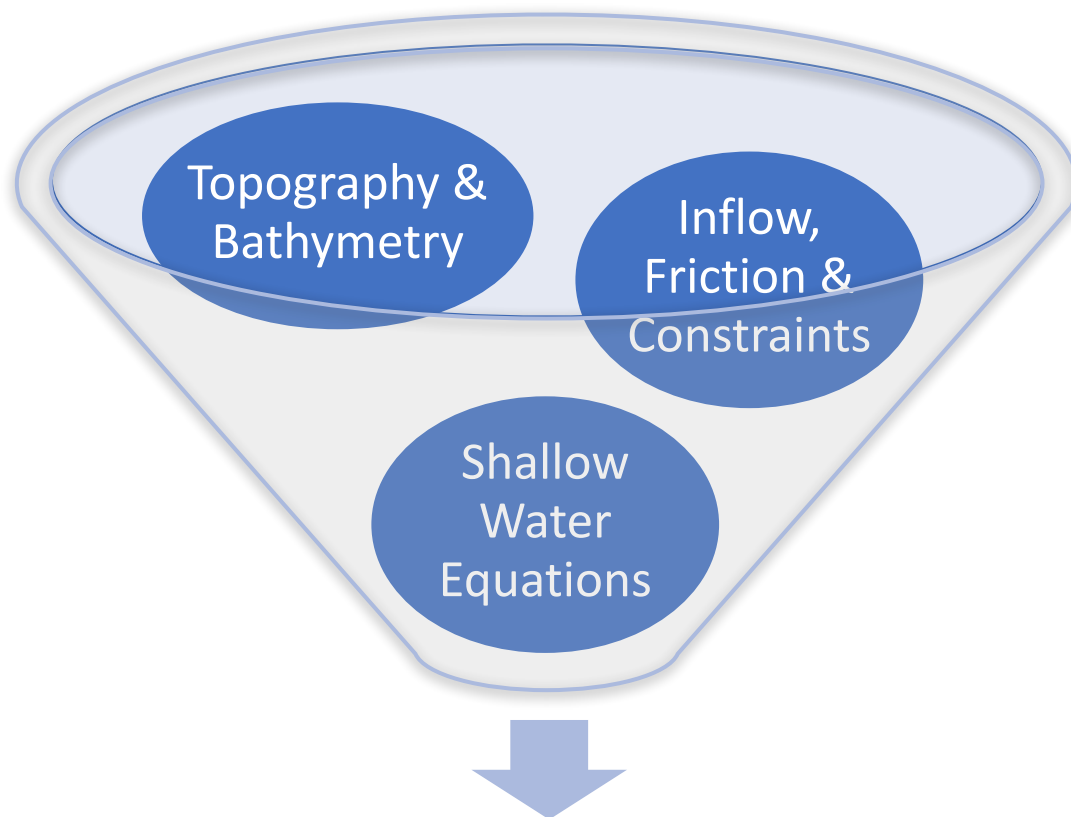
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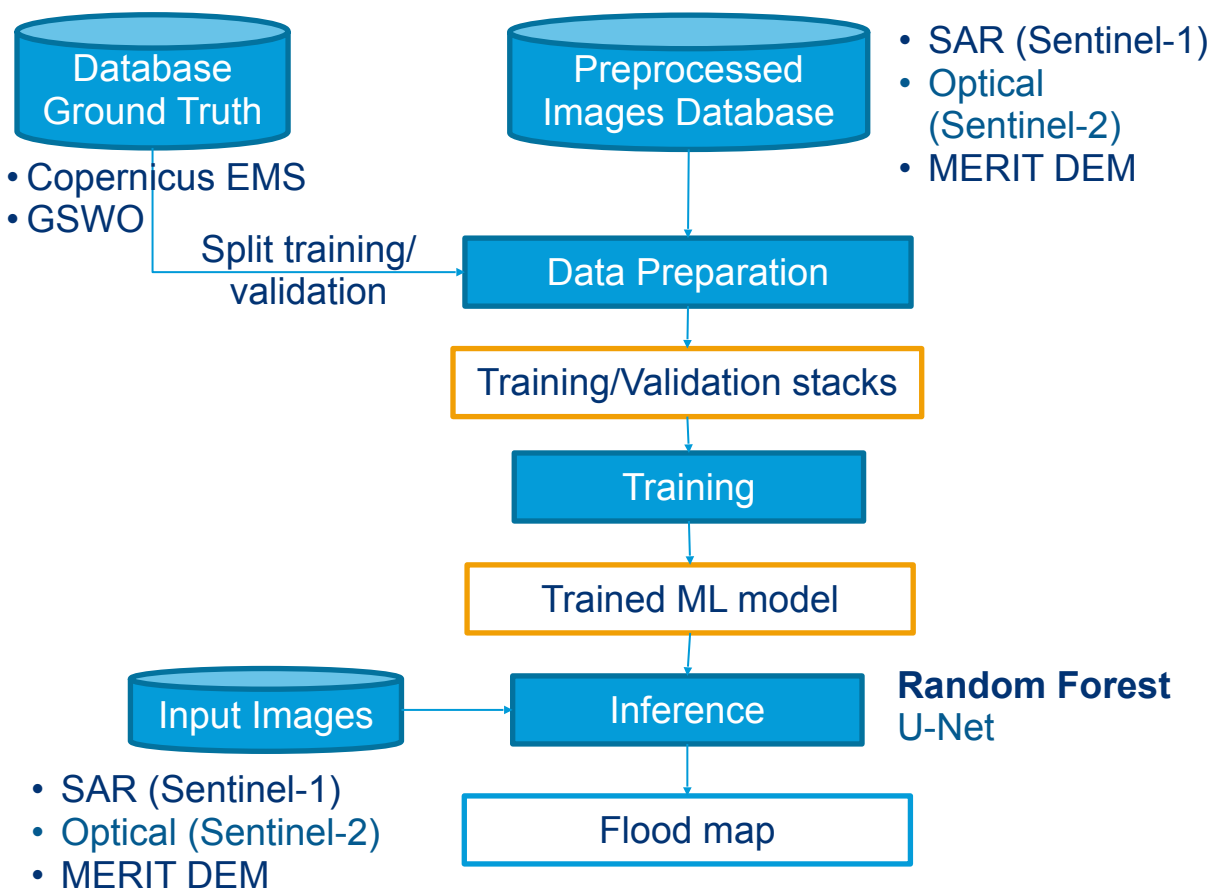


Flow velocity, Water level,  
Water surface elevation, etc.



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# FLOODML FRAMEWORK – FLOOD MAP INFERENCE CHAIN



- Preprocessing: calibration, orthorectification, reprojection.
- Training database: 223 S-1 images from past flood events (EMS) + 90% GSWO labels.
- Random Forest applied on VV and VH S-1 images (resolution 10 x 10 m).
- CuML library for rapid computation: **3-4 mins/image**.
- **Accuracy** on 5 test cities averages **87%**.
- Postprocessing: majority filtering.

*Copernicus EMS: Emergency Mapping Service*  
*GSWO: Global Surface Water Occurrence*  
*MERIT: Multi-Error-Removed Improved-Terrain*  
*DEM: Digital Elevation Model*

# ENSEMBLE DATA ASSIMILATION

## Stochastic viewpoint

