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# High Resolution Urban Hydrology, PUB and Multi-Hydro

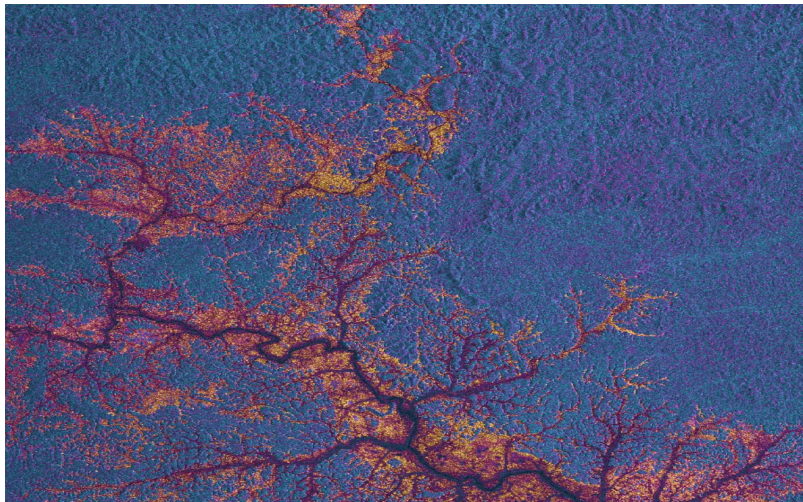
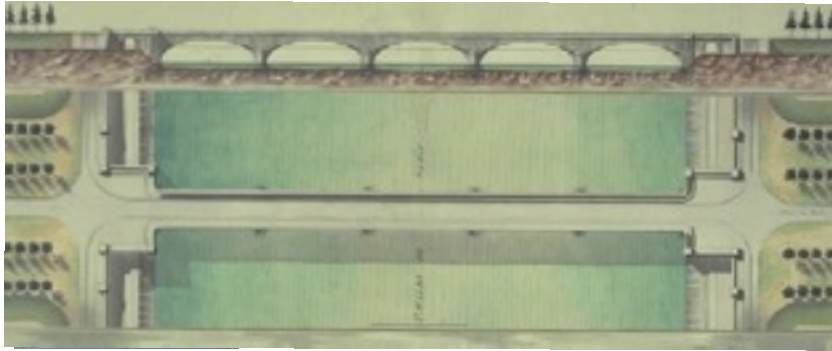
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# Ecole des Ponts ParisTech



- Formerly Ecole Nationale des Ponts et Chaussées (“National School of Bridges and Roads”)
  - one of the world’s oldest Civil Engineering School (1747)
  - Belgrand, Cauchy, Carnot, Coriolis, Darcy, Navier, Saint-Venant...
- last decades
  - beyond its more traditional fields and into an international institution,
  - adapting to the changing demands of the modern world
    - cofounder of ParisTech cluster and Paris-Est University
    - teaching complex systems, multifractals, etc. to young generations of engineers



# High resolution urban hydrology challenges

- For decades high resolution data were fundamentally missing for urban hydrology:
  - rainfall data: only km resolution
  - limited GIS and lidar data
  - computer limitations
  - ... and limited foresight ... as for PUB?
    - unbalance between research/innovation/operational ?

# IAHS PUB decade 2003–2012

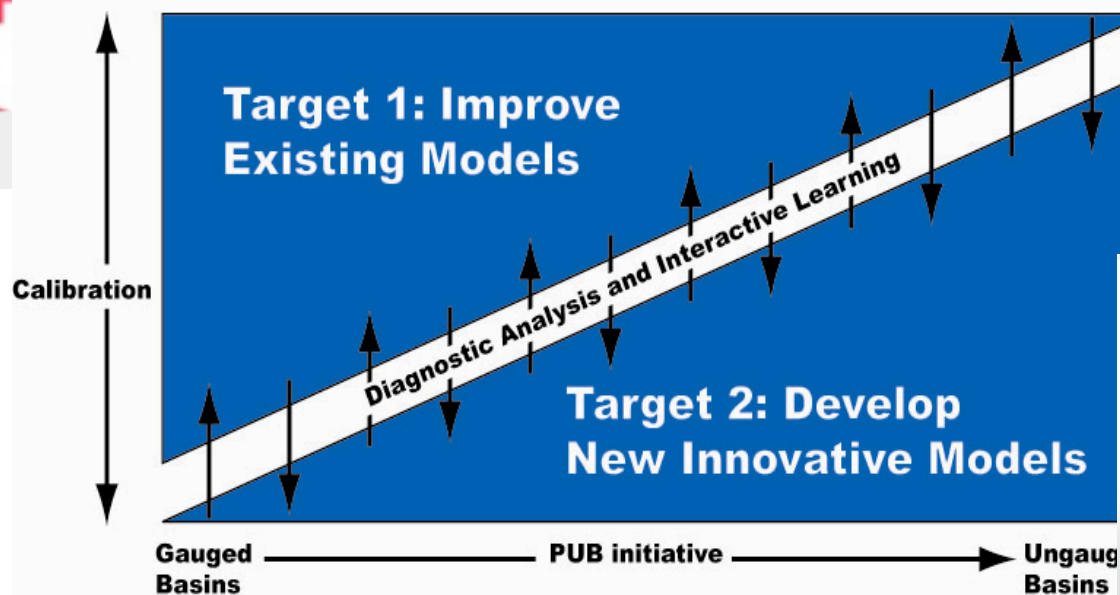
## PREDICTIONS IN UNGAUGED BASINS: PUB KICK OFF



Author / Editor: D. Schertzer et al.  
Publication Number: 309

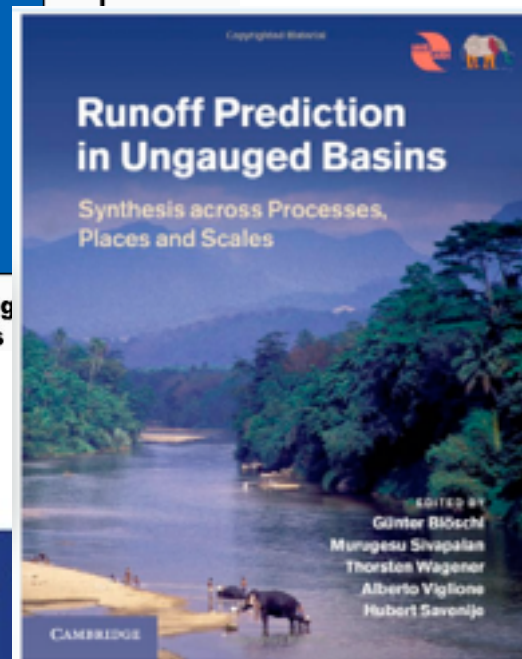
## Prediction in Ungauged Basins

### Towards Paradigm Change - From Calibration to Understanding



Did IAHS PUB really hit its target?

Gupta & S. (2014 in preparation)





# High resolution urban hydrology challenges

- a PUB problem:
  - no longer calibration, but physical processes: discharges as a response to rainfall in a given medium
  - models should be easily *transportable*, *scalable* and *inter-operational*
    - large user community (inc. local water authorities): open access
    - limited workforce: use as much as possible what is available

# High resolution urban hydrology challenges

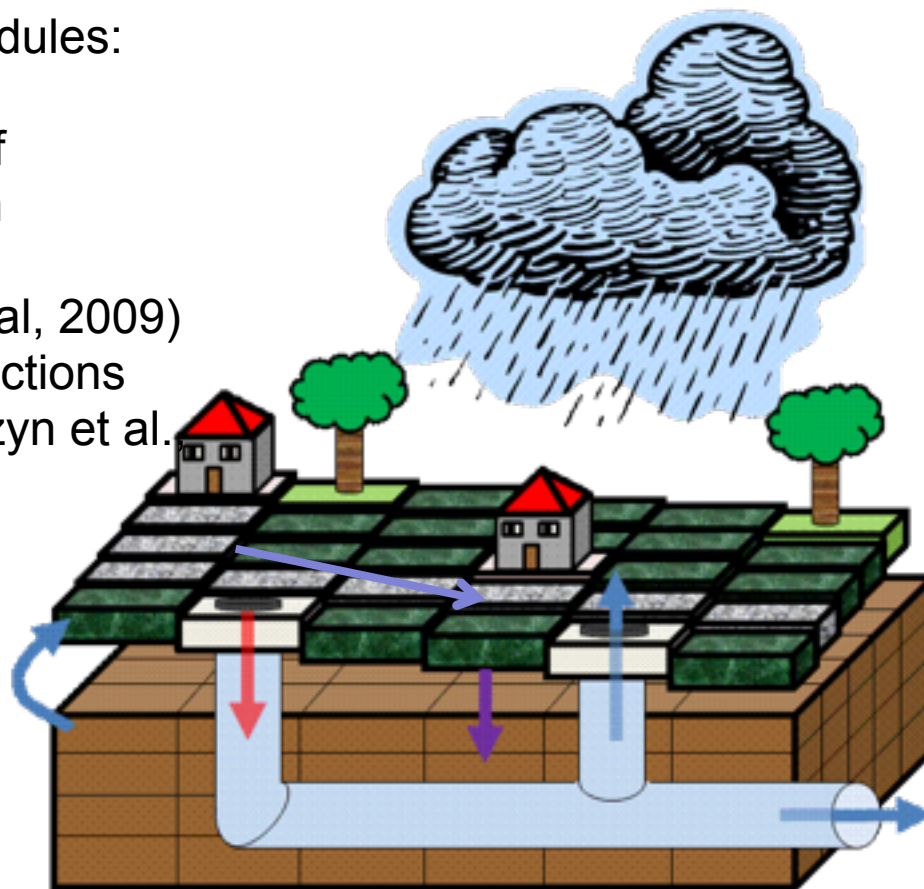
- uncertainties tracked along the whole data-modeling chain (Beven, Koutsoyannis and others..)
  - main sources: missing data, resolution/scale truncations
  - ensemble predictions,
    - next step: stochastic modelling ?

# Multi-Hydro

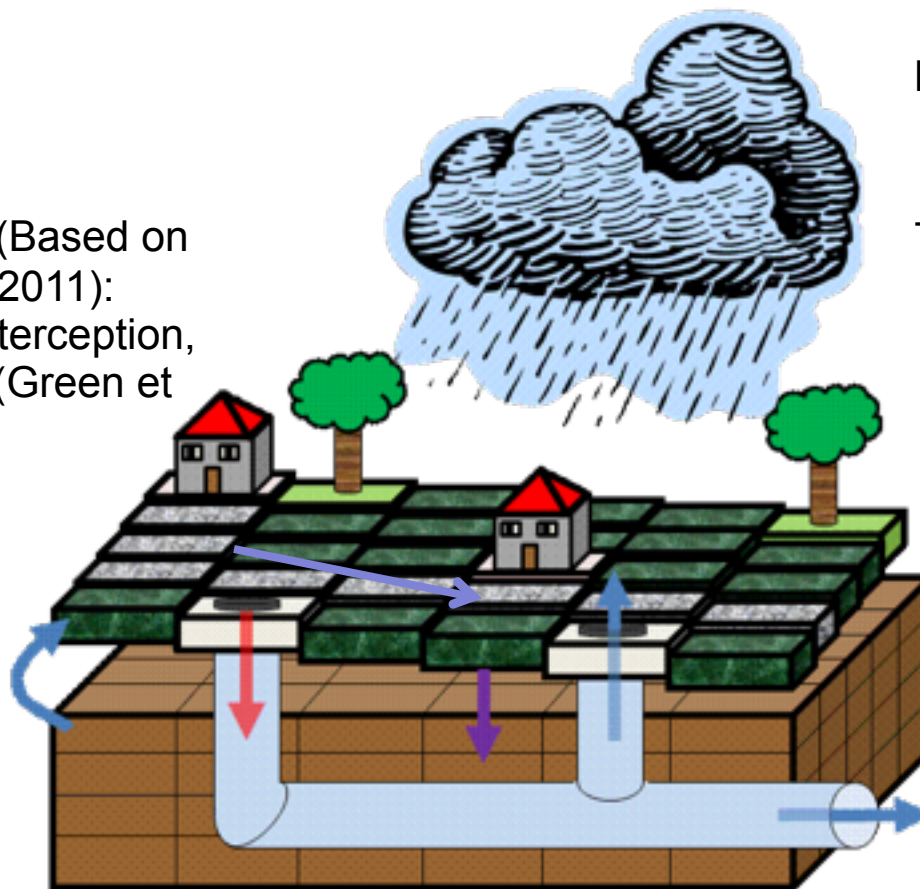
Presently 4 modules:

- rainfall
- surface runoff
- soil infiltration
- sewers

(El Tabbach et al, 2009)  
with their interactions  
(Giangola-Murzyn et al.  
2014)



**Surface Module** (Based on TREX, Velleux et al - 2011):  
2D shallow-water, , interception, infiltration potentielle (Green et Ampt)



## Precipitation Module

- radar data
- pluviometer data
- - multifractal disaggregation

## Drainage Module (base on SWMM, Rossman - 2005)

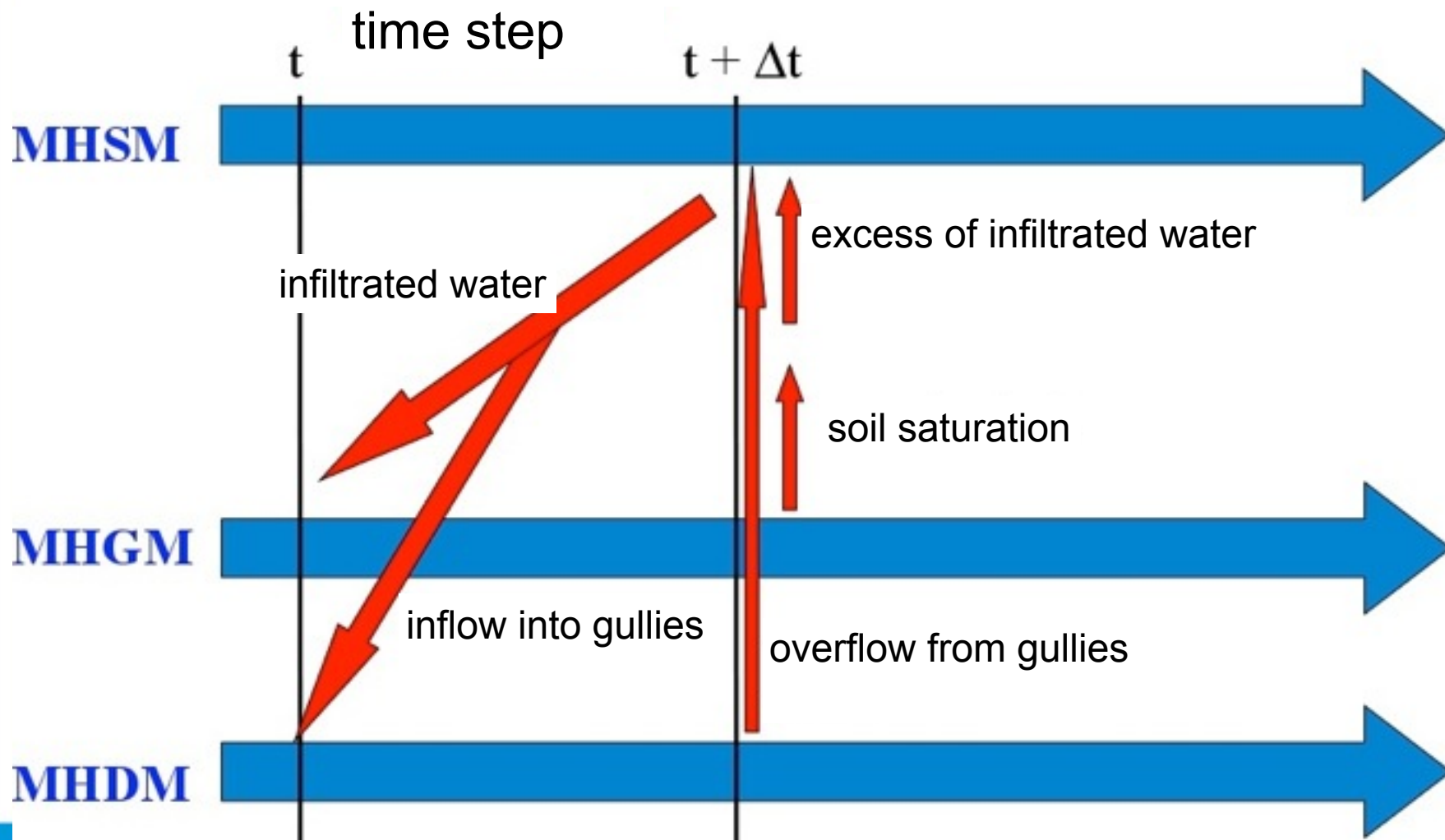
- discharge (Saint Venant 1D)
- overflows

**Ground Module** (based on VS2DT, Hiesh - 2000)  
- infiltration (Van Genuchten)  
- interaction runoff/infiltration



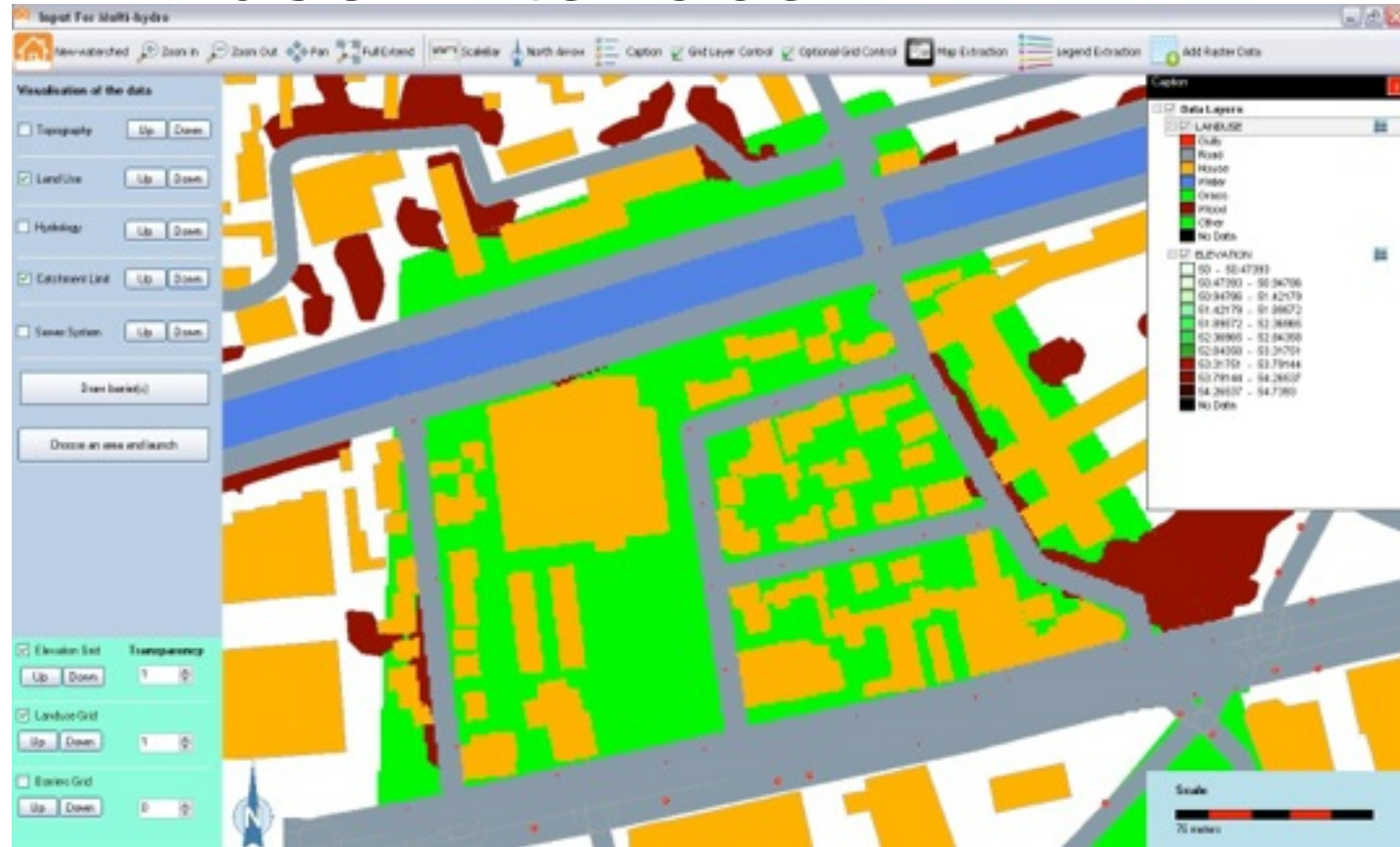
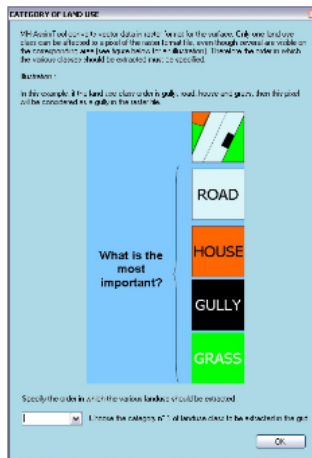


# Module Coupling



# MH-AssimTool : user interface

- Main MH-AT window

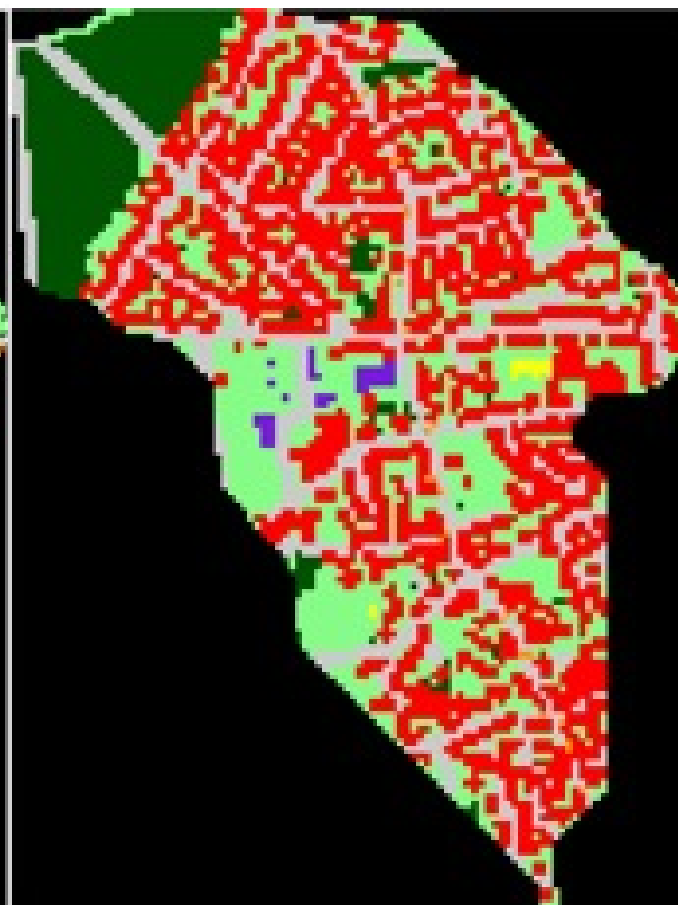


- based on GIS techniques: raster  $\longleftrightarrow$  vector data

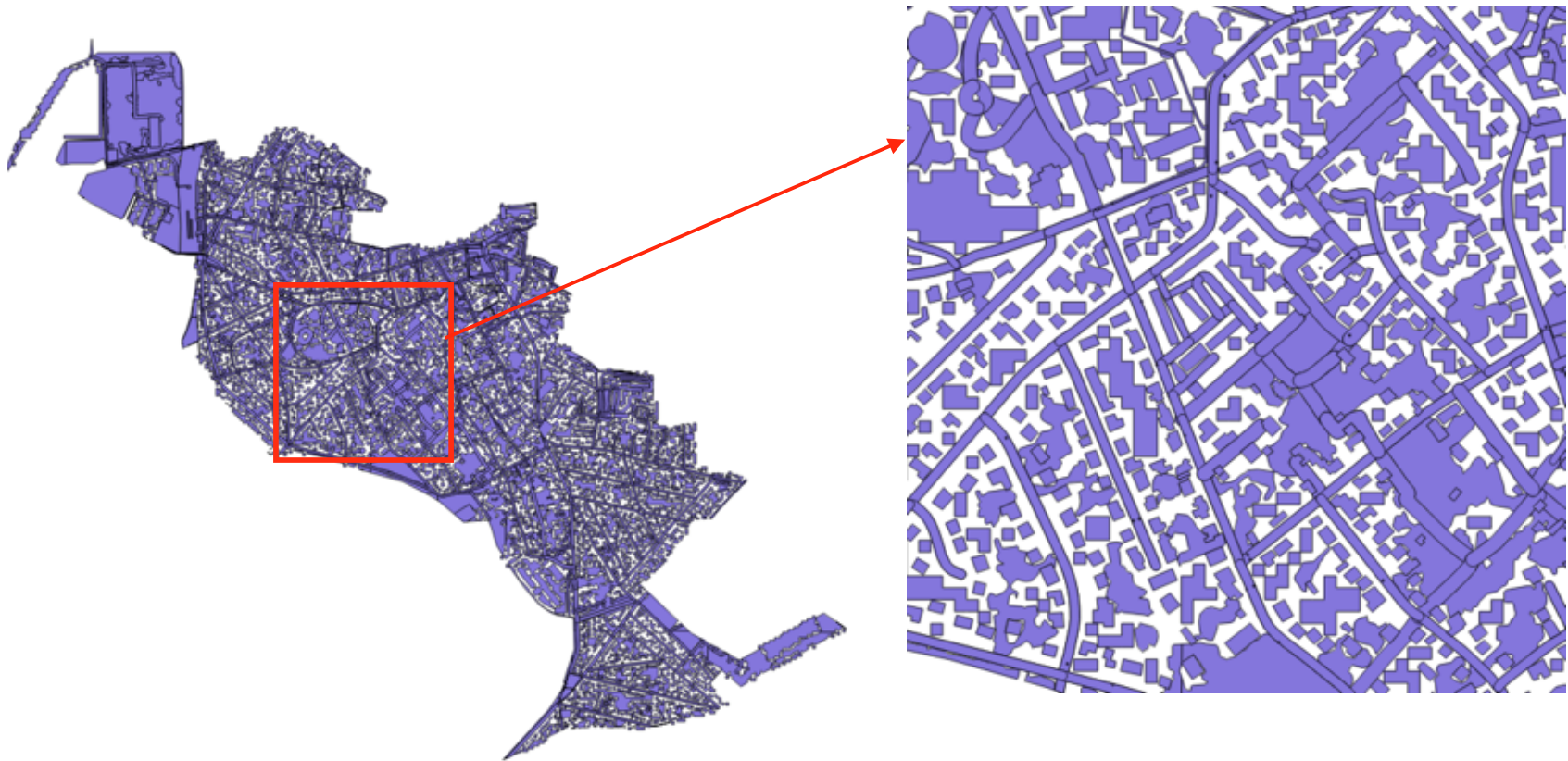
# MH-AssimTool : resolution change

5 m.

10 m.



# Missing data



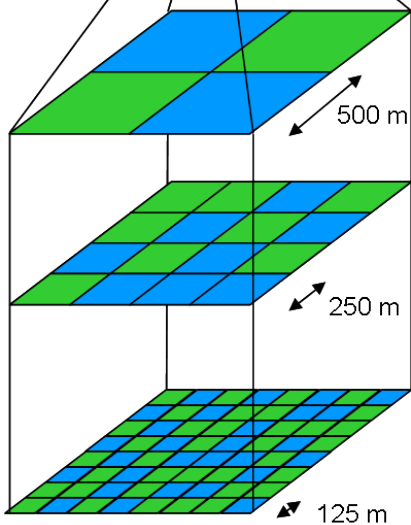
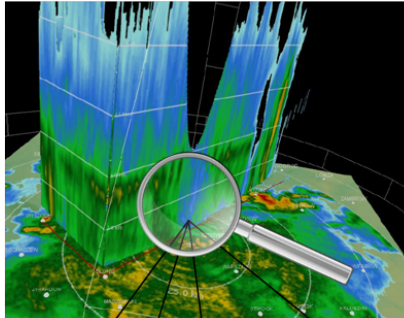


# Missing or LR Data

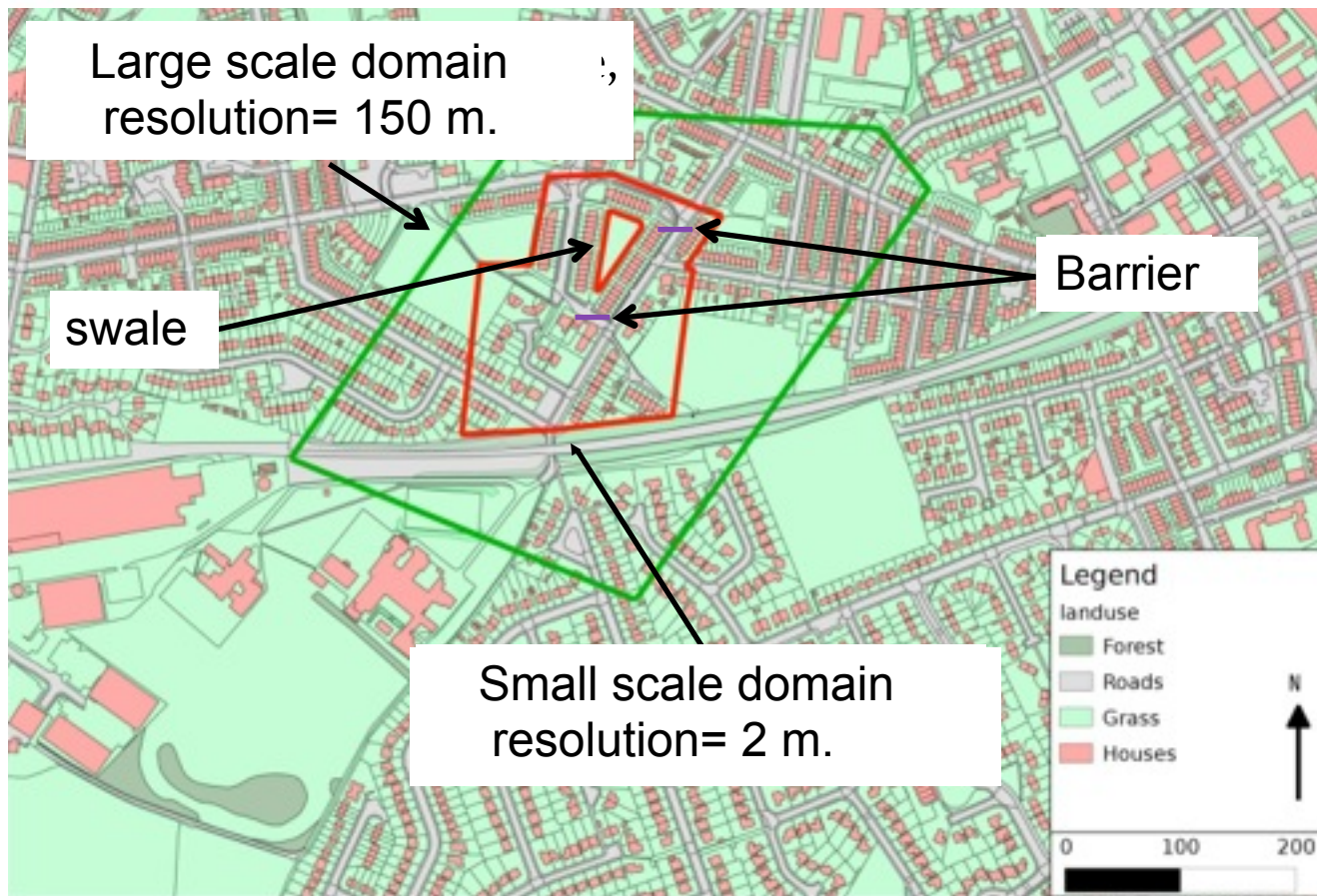
Multifractal disaggregation/  
interpolation of missing/low  
resolution data

– larger scales can be used to  
estimate the cascade parameters,  
if not known:

- $H$ : mean field scaling
- $C_1$ : intermittency of the mean
- $a$ : variability of the intermittency  
= multifractality

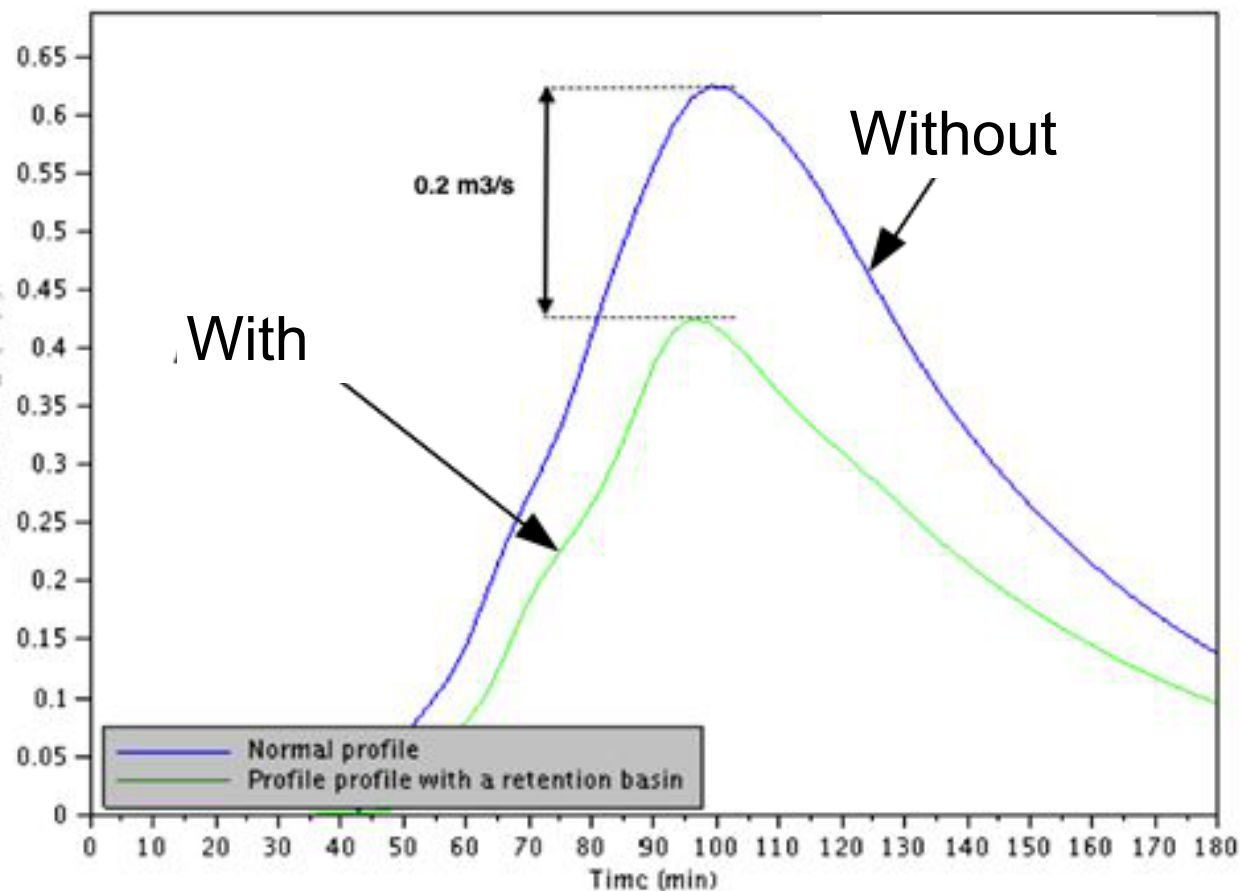


# Multiscale simulations



SMARTeST Manchester case study (Giangola-Murzyn et al., , 2004)

# Case study of a swale



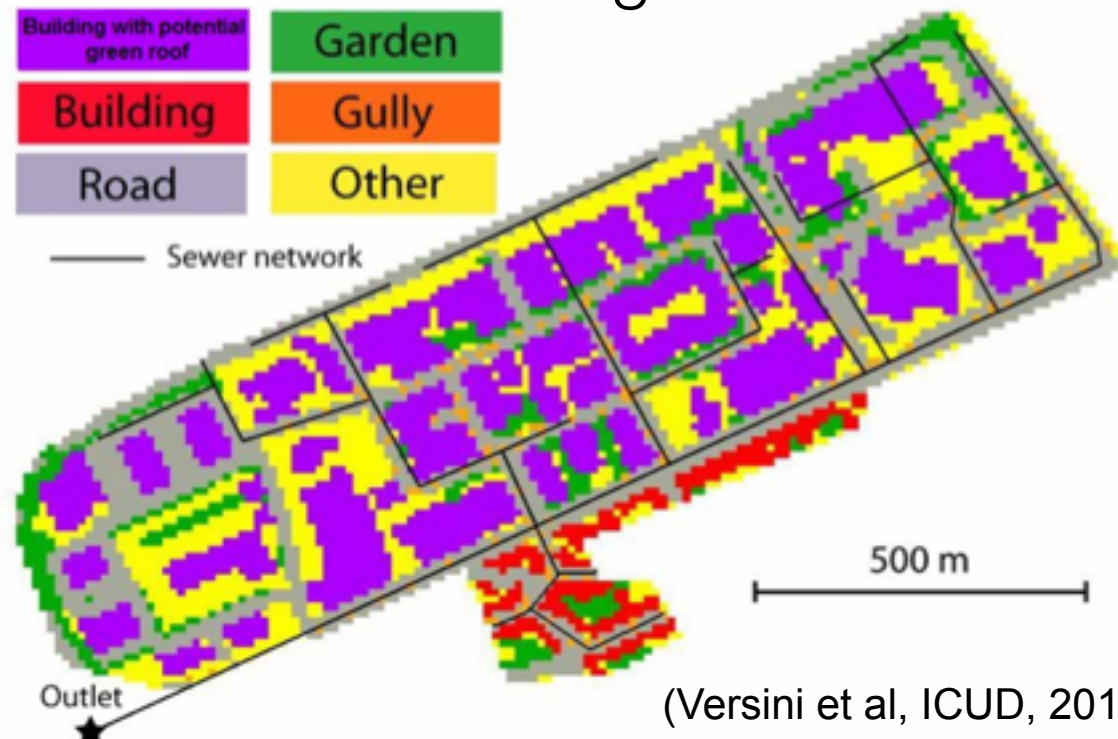
(Giangola-Murzyn et al., , 2004

# MH and green roofs

## Loup basin (Villepinte, France)

- Area : 65 ha
- highly impervious (close to 90%)
- covered by more than 38% of building

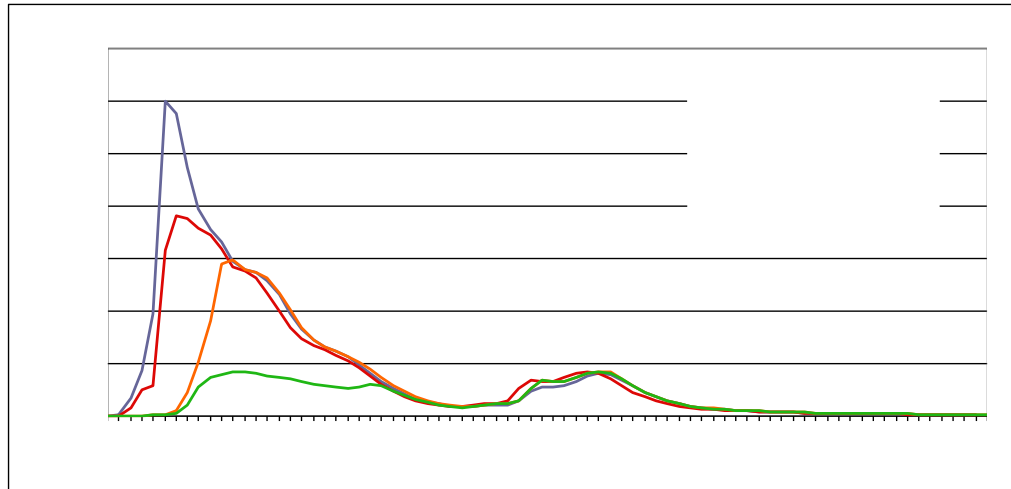
Industrial  
building roof  
area  
represents  
more than 34%  
of the basin  
area



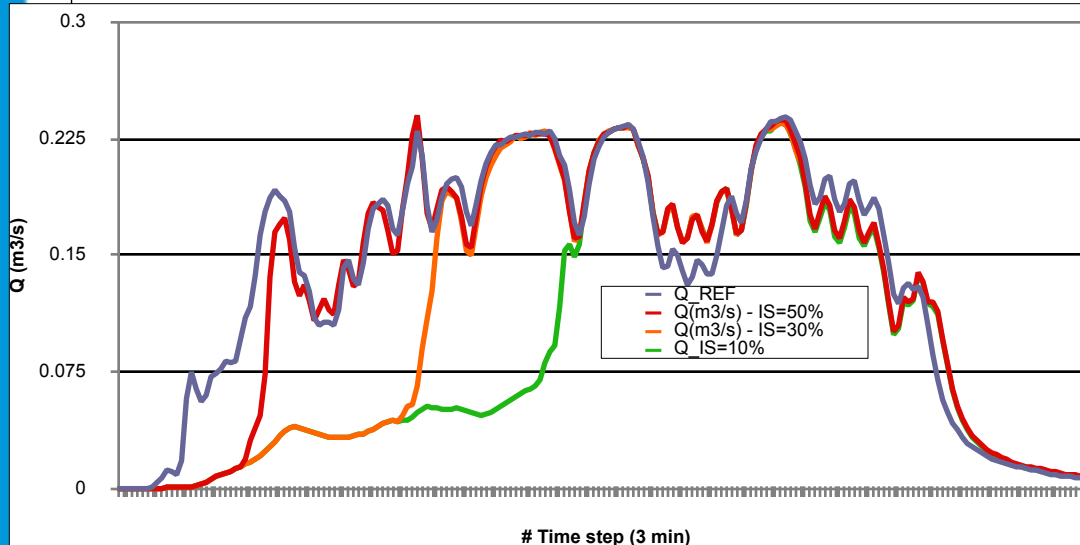
(Versini et al, ICUD, 2014)



# MH and green roofs



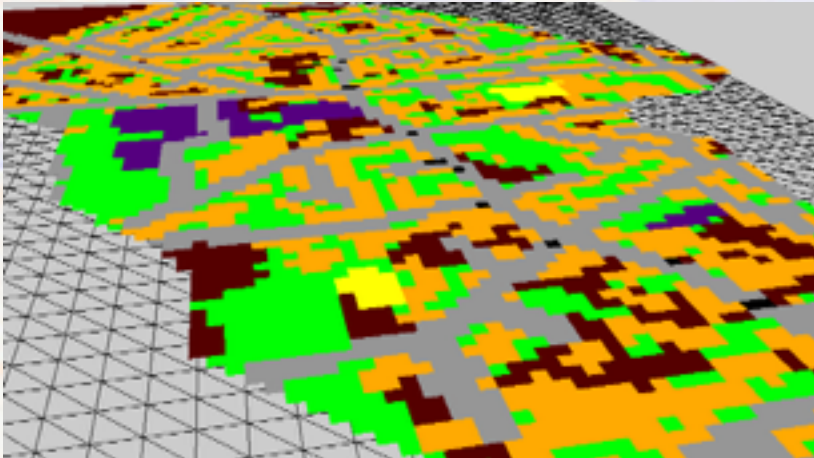
Green roof is very efficient for current rainfall events in terms of peak discharge and runoff volume reduction



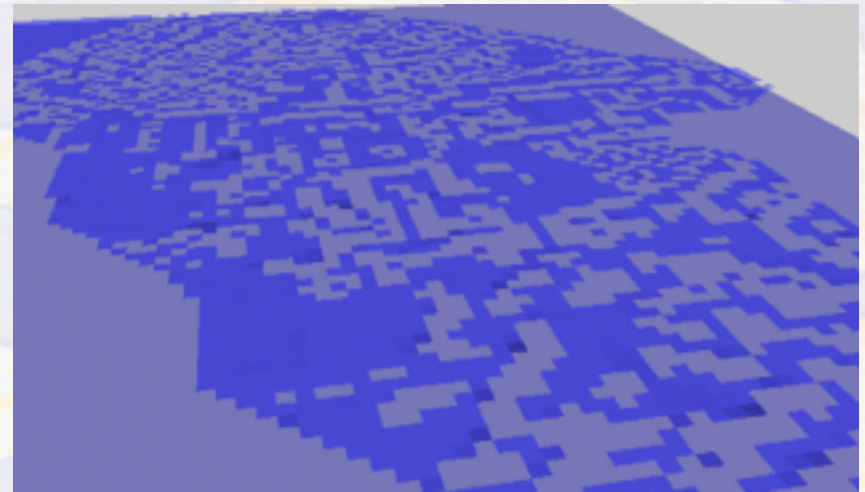
Green roof has low impact on long rainfall events in terms of peak discharge

(Versini et al, ICUD, 2014)

## Data preprocessing

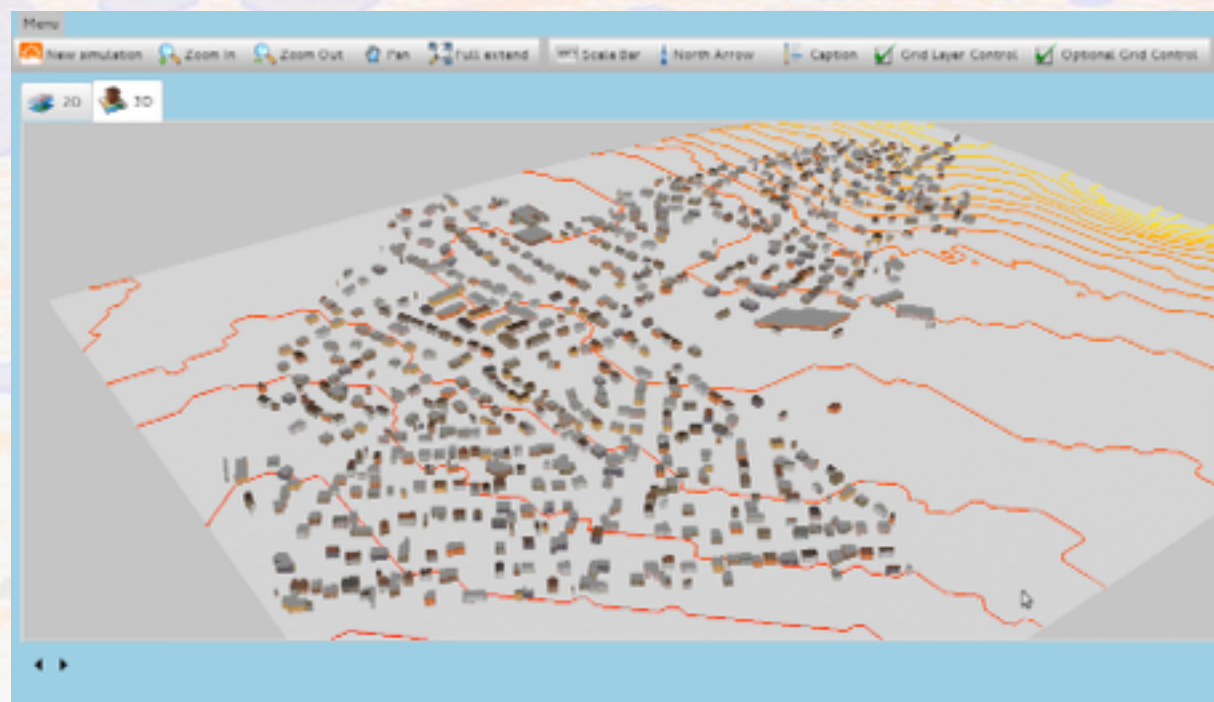


**Land use**



**Water depth**

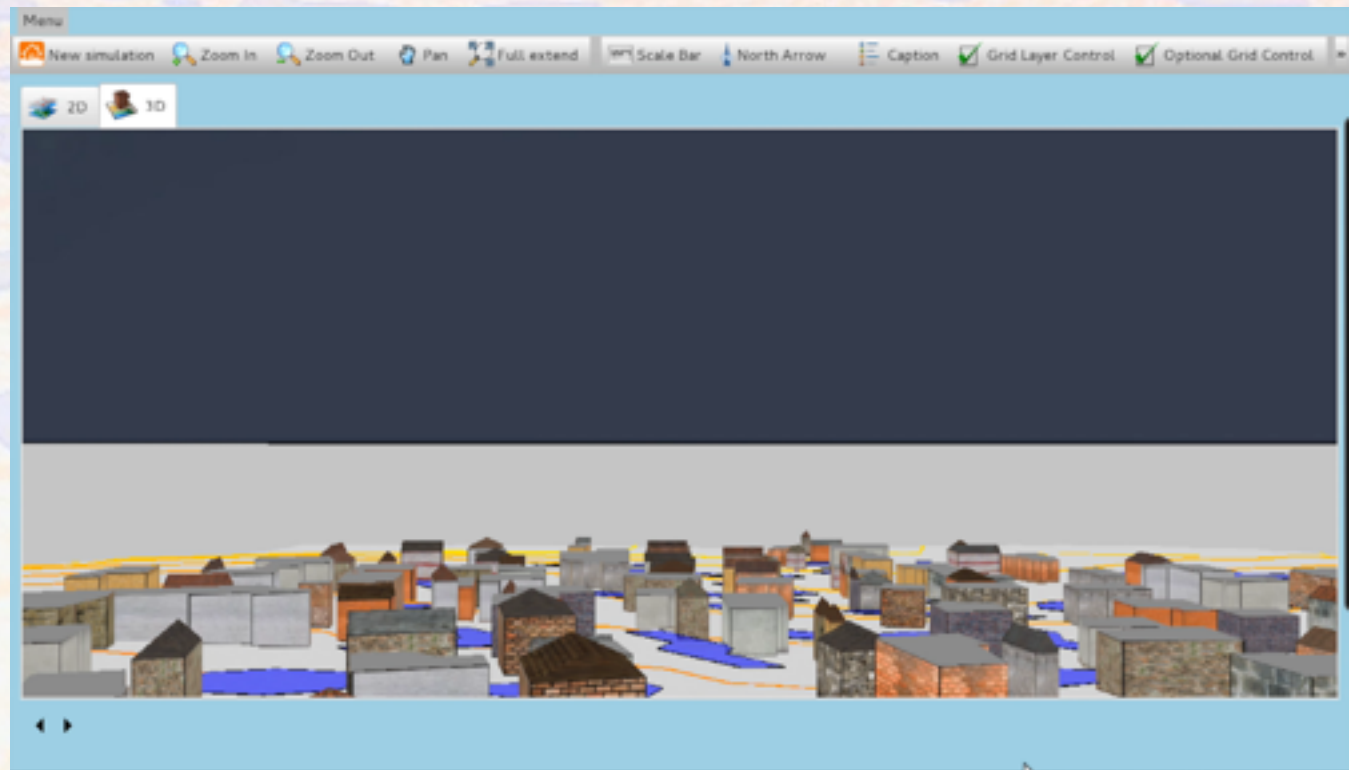
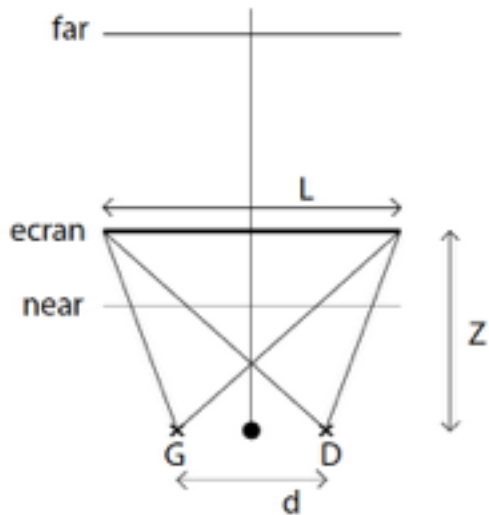
## Animation with water depth



- Isolines (marching squares) 3 cm resolution
- 24 frames/sec
- water depths update every 2 frames

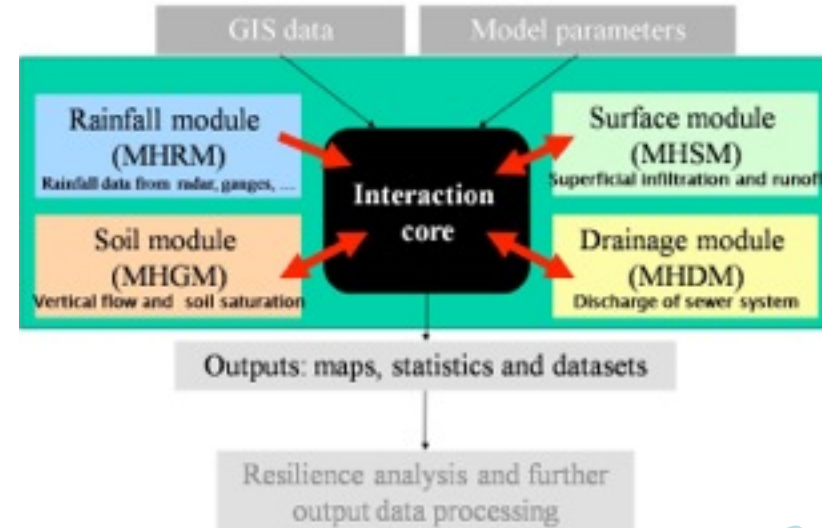
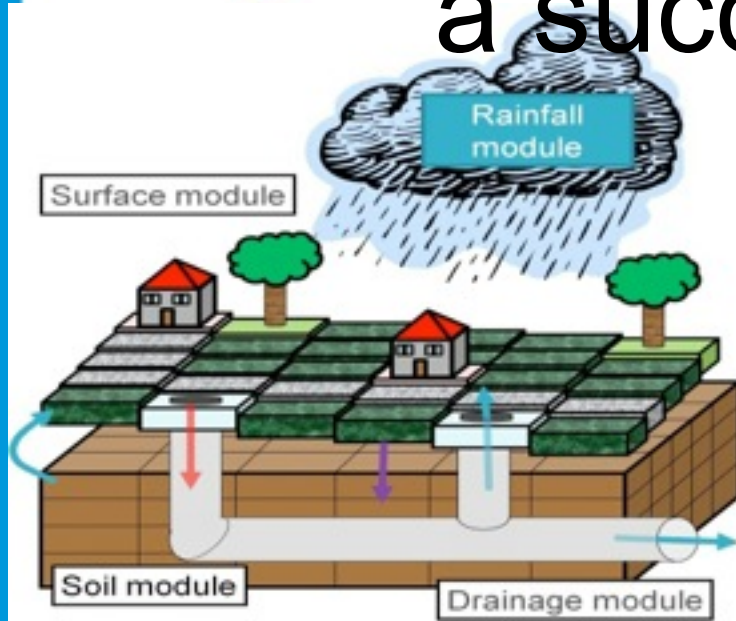


## Stereoscopic immersion





# MH: towards a successful story?

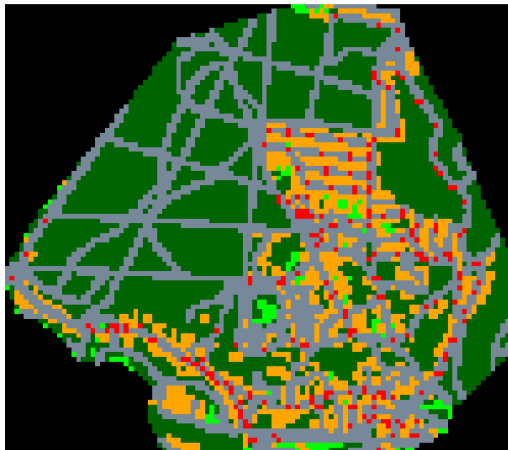


- Fully distributed
- Modular structure
- physically based → no calibration
- SIG based → transportable
- Multiscale generation of missing or HR data → scalable
- OpenSource → User community

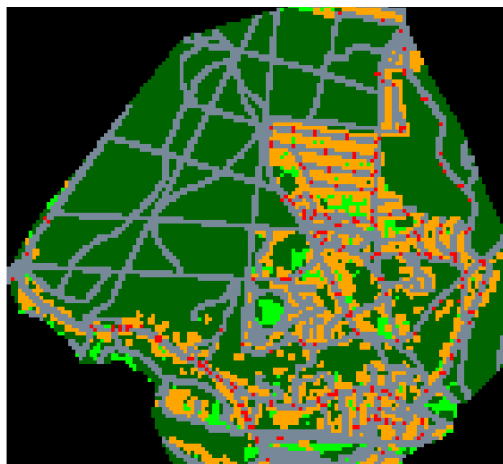


# Impervious “coefficient”?

20m



15 m



10m



5m



2m



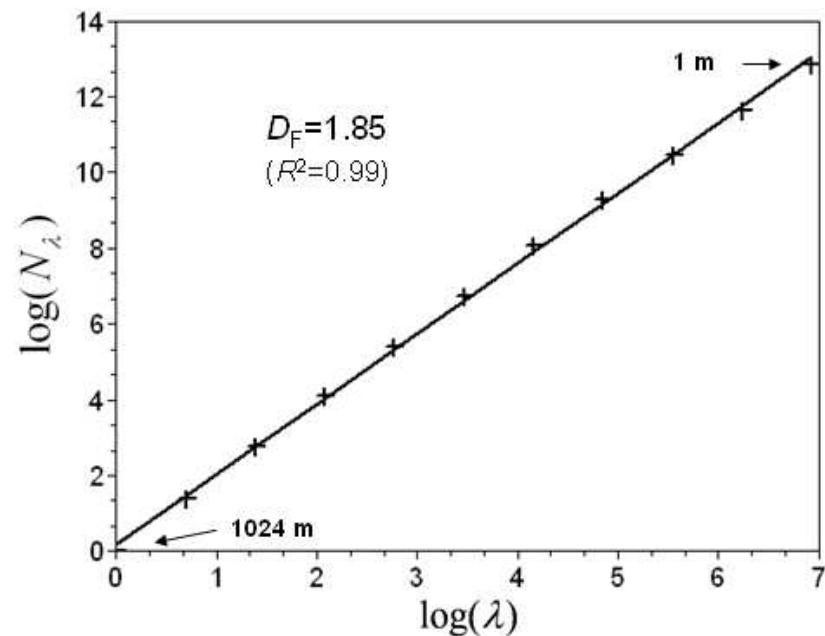
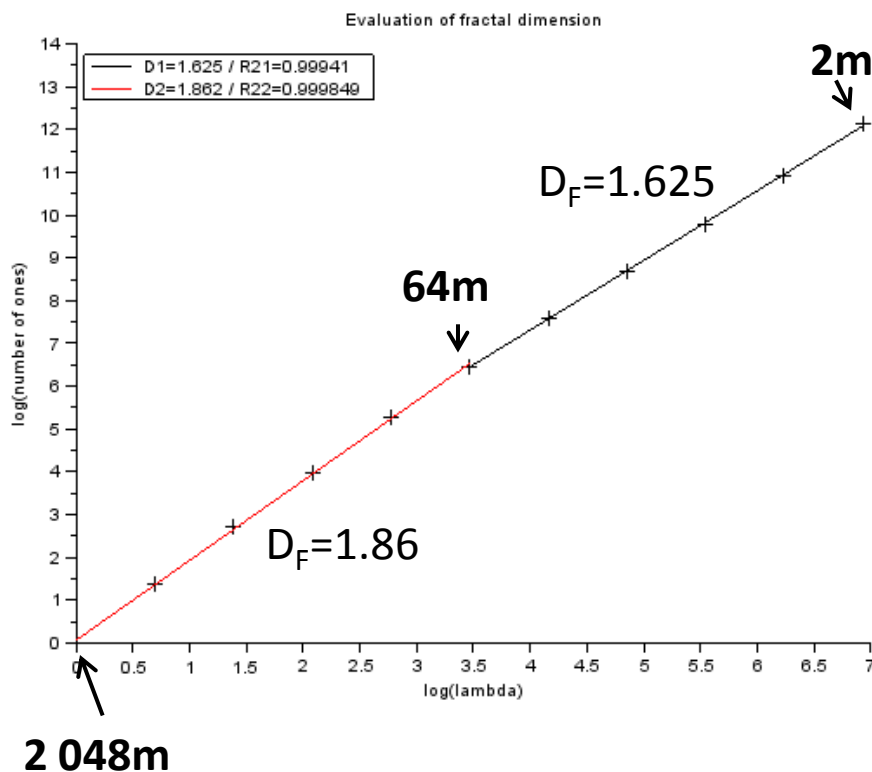
	20m	15m	10m	5m	2m
Taille (pixels de 100m²)	11 128	19 734	44 512	178 464	1 118 034
Imperméabilité	55.4%	49.6%	42.3%	32.4%	24.7%
% inconnu	31.3%	31.6%	32.2%	32.8%	33.3%

(Abbes, 2014)

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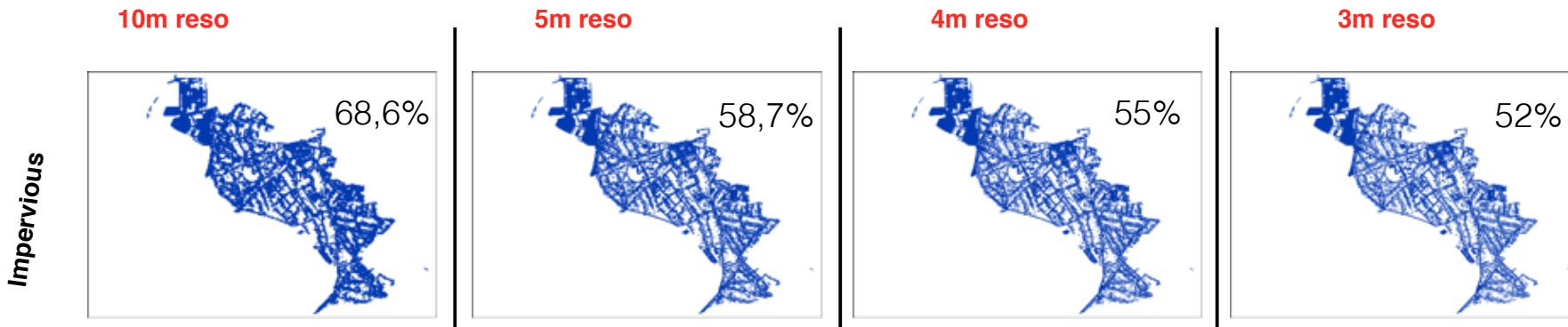
Impervious area, Jouy  
(roads+houses) at a 2m resolution

Comparison with Kodak  
catchment (Gires, 2012)

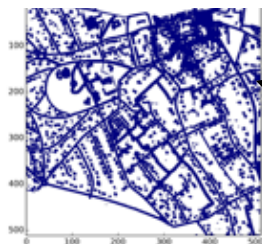


Abbes, 2014)

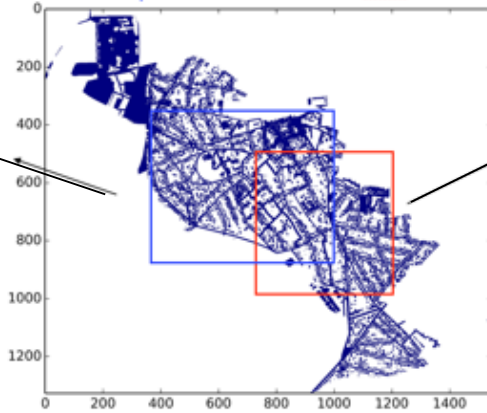
# Impervious “coefficient”?



Area1:512\*512

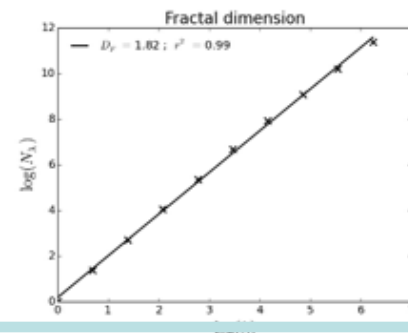
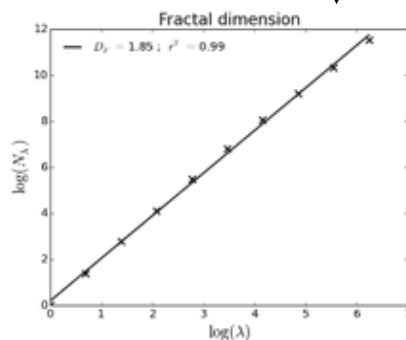
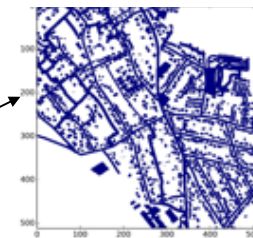


impervious areas at 2m reso



47%

Area2:512\*512



Ichiba et al., ICUD, 2014



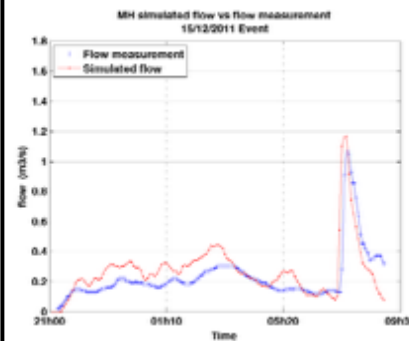
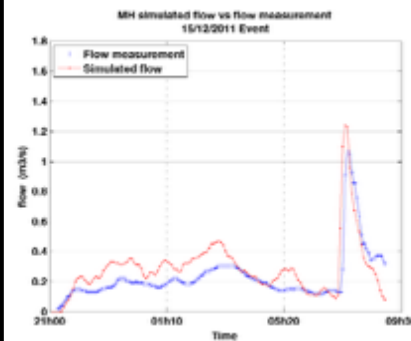
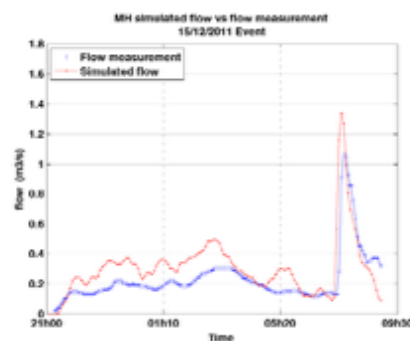
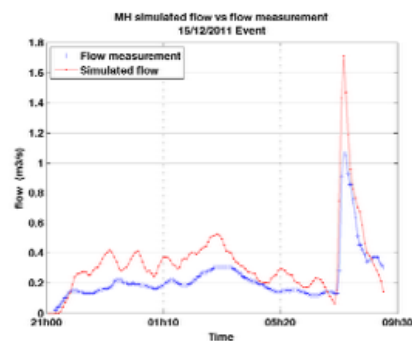
10m reso

5m reso

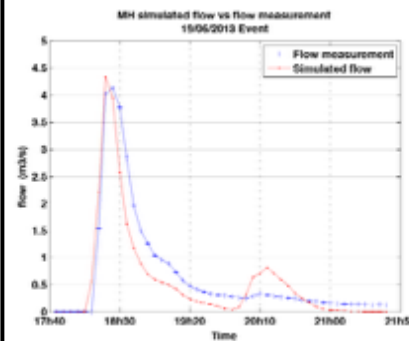
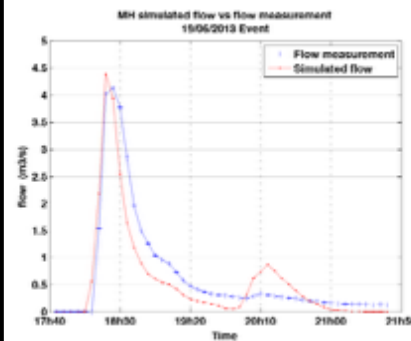
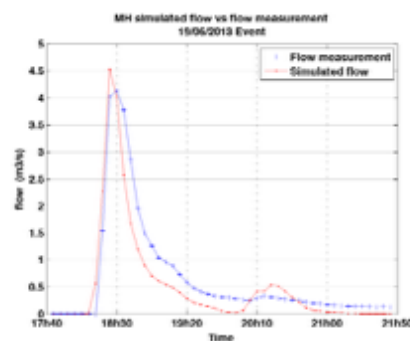
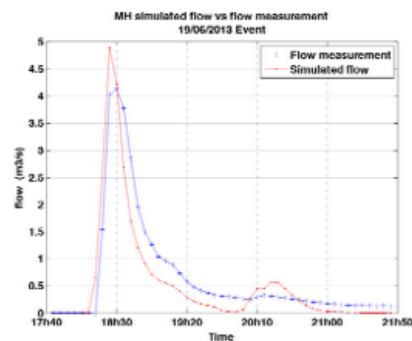
4m reso

3m reso

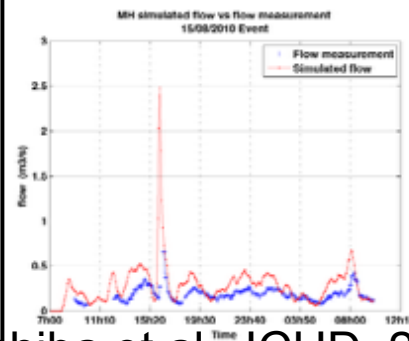
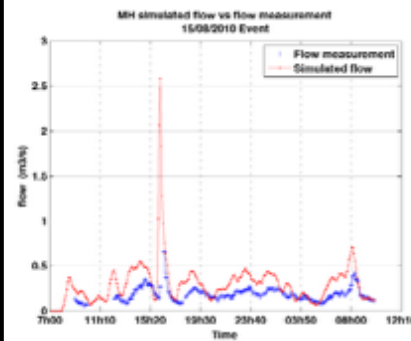
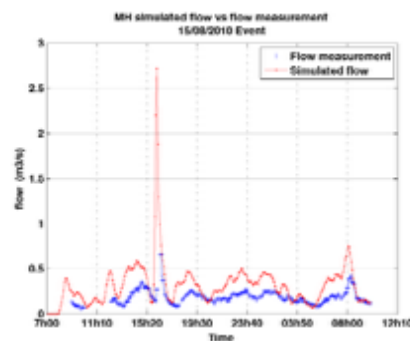
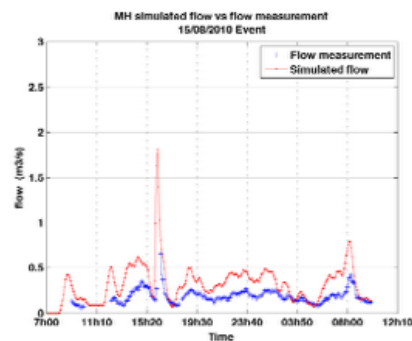
15/12/2011 event



19/06/2013 event

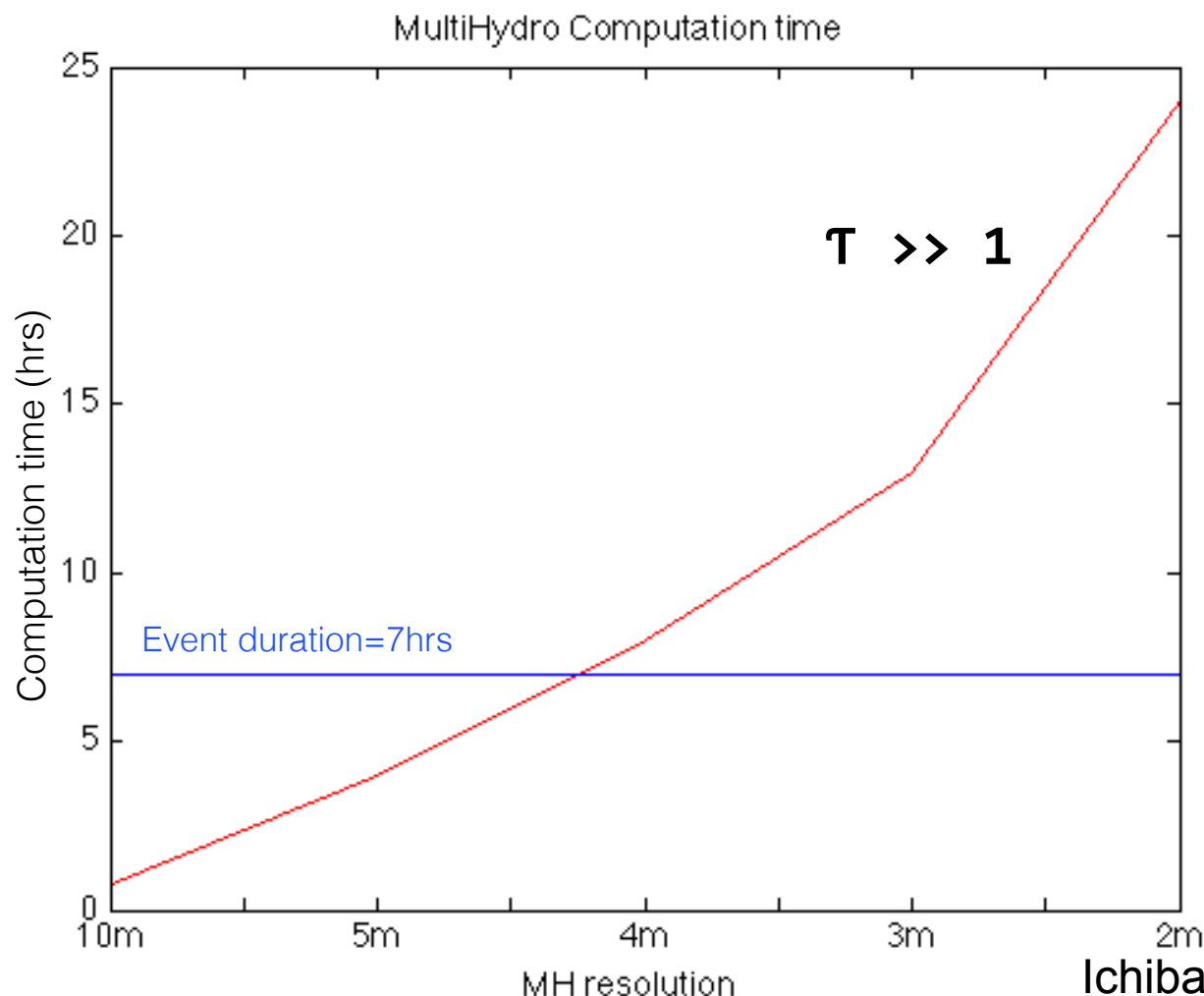


15/08/2010 event





# Time and memory

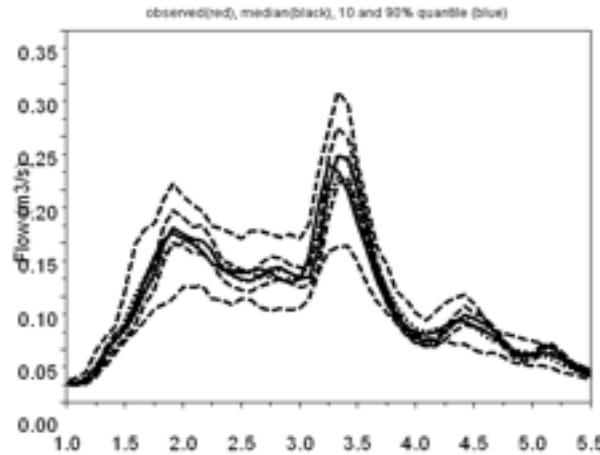
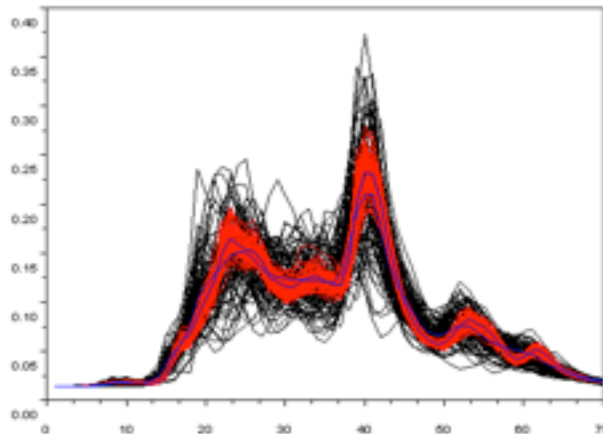


+ instability problems !

Ichiba et al., ICUD, 2014

# Sewer response to small scale variability

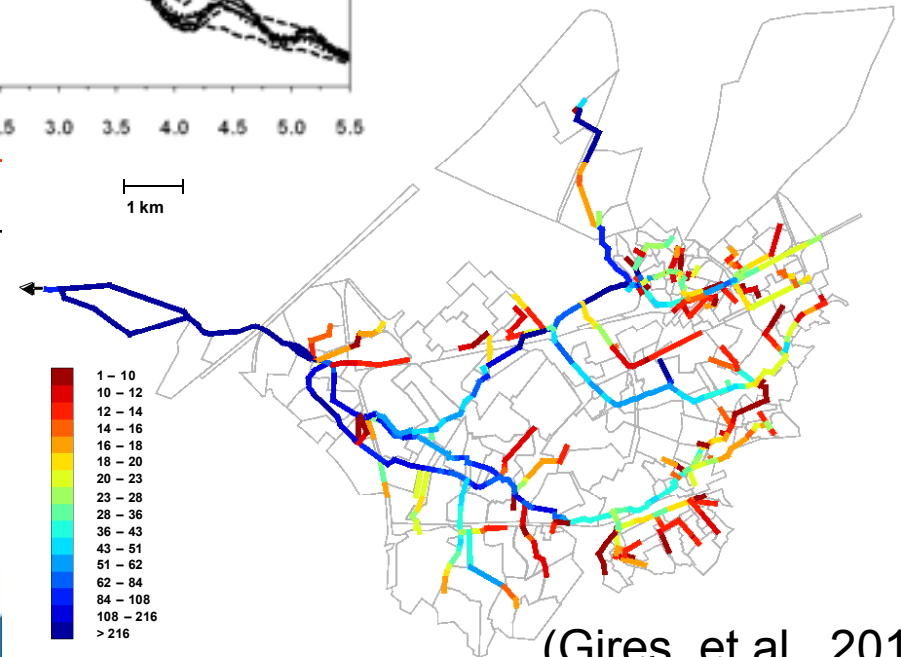
1000 realisations of multifractal downscaling



1000 downscaling realisations: 1km -> 125 m — (red line)  
 1000 downscaling realisations: 8 km -> 125 m — (black line)

1 km

Estimates of peakflow  
 quantile increases due to  
 small scale variability



(Gires, et al., 2011)

# HR only by brute force ?

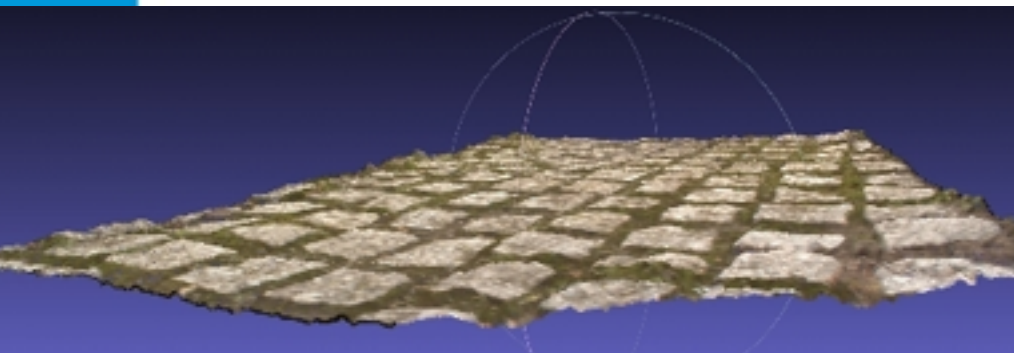


**Fujitsu VPP  
5000 : 0,3  
Teraflops**

**NVIDIA GPU: 1,3  
Teraflops**



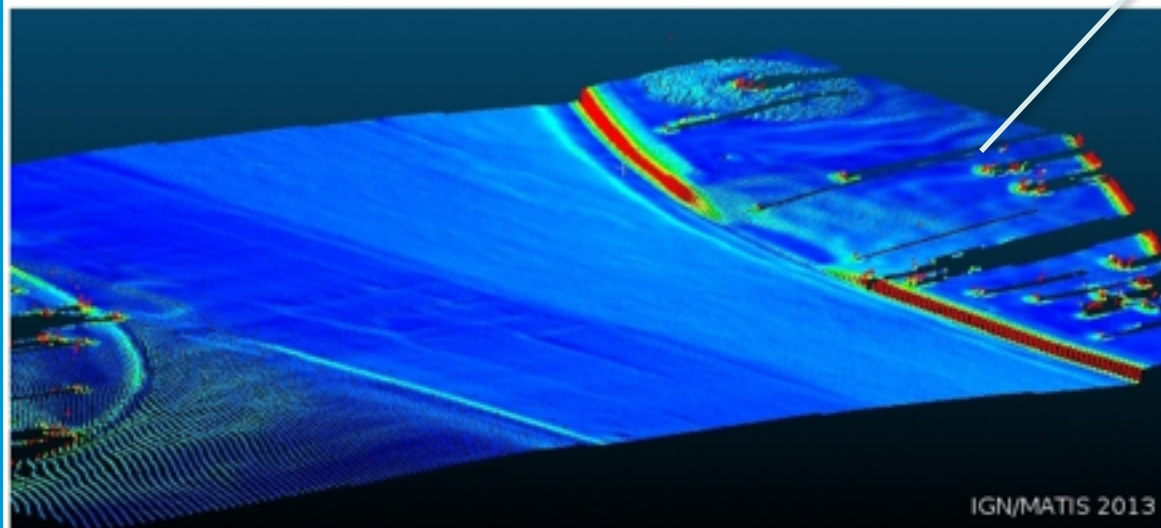
# Which inner scale?



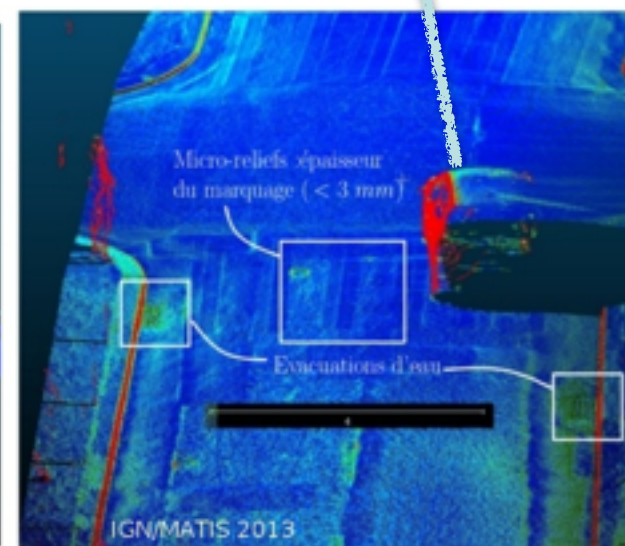
3D surface with resolution  $> 5$  mm (Micmac, IGN)



IGN STEREOPOLIS II mobile mapping system



3D surface with resolution  $> 1$  cm (Micmac, IGN)





# Conclusions

- HR urban hydrology
  - a PUB issue: processes/understanding vs. parametrisation/calibration
  - models should be easily transportable, scalable and inter-operational

# Conclusions

- however, cannot be obtained only by computer brute force
  - scale dependance —> change of observables/ parameters vs. scale truncation
  - across scale stochastics, inc. LR or missing data
  - no strong (functions), only weak convergence (measures)
    - problems with finite differences (particularly explicit ones): Trex, SWWM, V2DT..
    - finite volumes schemes