

# IMPROVING WATER LEVELS FORECAST IN THE GIRONDE ESTUARY USING DATA ASSIMILATION ON A 2D NUMERICAL MODEL : CORRECTION OF TIME-DEPENDENT BOUNDARY CONDITIONS THROUGH A TRUNCATED KARHUNEN-LOÈVE DECOMPOSITION WITHIN AN ENSEMBLE KALMAN FILTER

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- 635 km<sup>2</sup>
- **Confluence between 2 rivers**
- **mean discharges**
  - **Dordogne : 380 m<sup>3</sup>/s**
  - **Garonne : 630 m<sup>3</sup>/s**
- 75 km long (Bec d'Ambès to the mouth)
- Downstream width : 12 km
- Maritime influence
- Inflows from the Atlantic Ocean :  
15 à 25000 m<sup>3</sup> / tide cycle



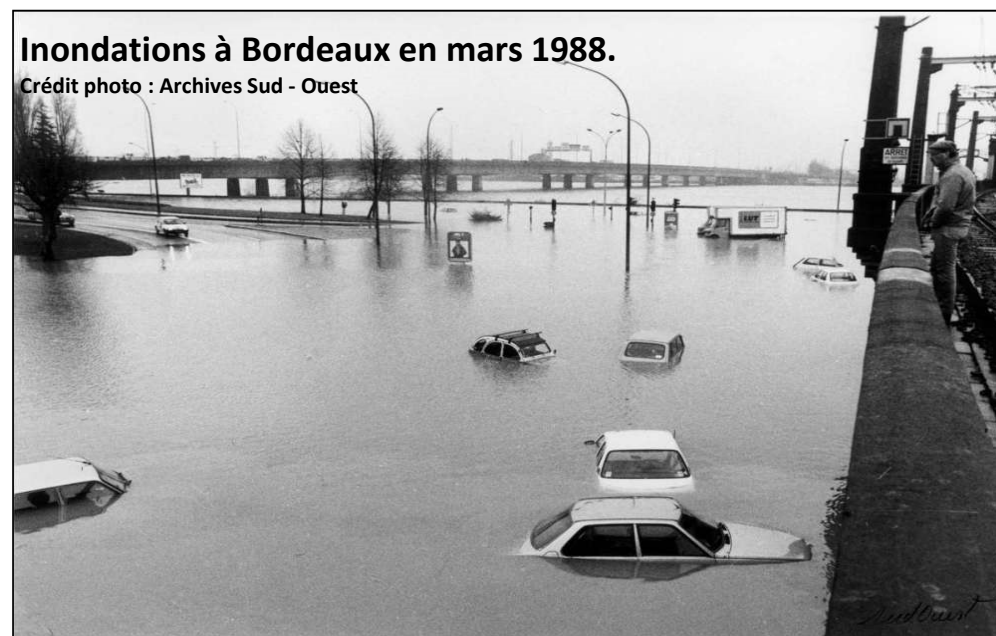
## Stakes

- Human : 185 cities, 1 million inhabitants ; agriculture
- Industrial stakes: Blayais hydroelectric power station, Pauil petrol terminal



## Natural Hazards

- Sea river flooding
- Climate change  
=> Marine submersions  
=> floods





## Water levels forecast in Gironde estuary using a Telemac2D numerical model

- Based on :
  - ✓ 2D shallow water equations
  - ✓ Unstructured mesh (space discretization) : 7351 nodes, 12838 elements (**mesh0**)
  - ✓ Output on each node : (H,U,V)



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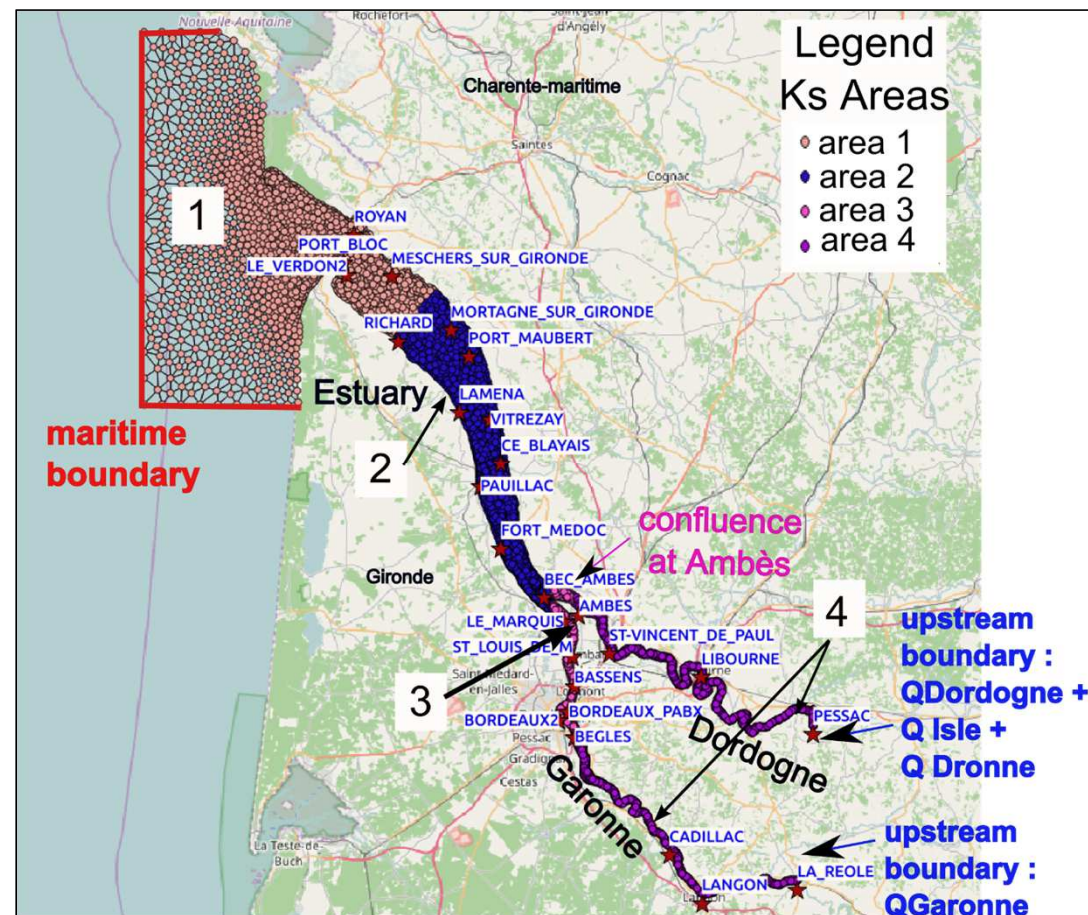
- Friction coefficients :  $Ks1$ ,  $Ks2$ ,  $Ks3$ ,  $Ks4$
- Wind influence coefficient :  $Cdz$

### Forcings

- Meteorological : wind and pressure
- Maritime boundary conditions (**CLMAR**)
- River discharges : in Garonne (**QGAR**) and Dordogne (**QDOR**)

### Other inputs: topography and bathymetry

- No overflowing
- Bathymetry provided by GPMB





## Water levels forecast in Gironde estuary using a Telemac2D numerical model

### EVENTS

- **calibration** : 4 events among which 2003
- **validation** : 6 events among which 1999

Événement	Débits sur la Dordogne                      Garonne		Plage de variation du coefficient de marée
10 au 14/03/2006	850 à 1550 m <sup>3</sup> /s	1700 à 4700 m <sup>3</sup> /s	37 à 83
27 au 31/03/2006	500 à 950 m <sup>3</sup> /s	650 à 1200 m <sup>3</sup> /s	78 à 115
3 au 6/05/2004	450 à 700 m <sup>3</sup> /s	1650 à 2450 m <sup>3</sup> /s	86 à 105
2 au 9/02/2003	600 à 2200 m <sup>3</sup> /s	1200 à 5900 m <sup>3</sup> /s	43 à 90
25 au 31/12/1999	430 à 1830 m <sup>3</sup> /s	400 à 3600 m <sup>3</sup> /s	45 à 102
24 au 30/04/1998	300 à 1200 m <sup>3</sup> /s	630 à 3100 m <sup>3</sup> /s	70 à 105
3 au 10/02/1996	300 à 850 m <sup>3</sup> /s	880 à 2550 m <sup>3</sup> /s	71 à 87
20 au 26/12/1995	250 à 550 m <sup>3</sup> /s	500 à 1200 m <sup>3</sup> /s	79 à 107
17 au 20/03/1988	500 à 1800 m <sup>3</sup> /s	1250 à 5500 m <sup>3</sup> /s	99 à 115
12 au 17/12/1981	1000 à 2350 m <sup>3</sup> /s	1700 à 7050 m <sup>3</sup> /s	57 à 106

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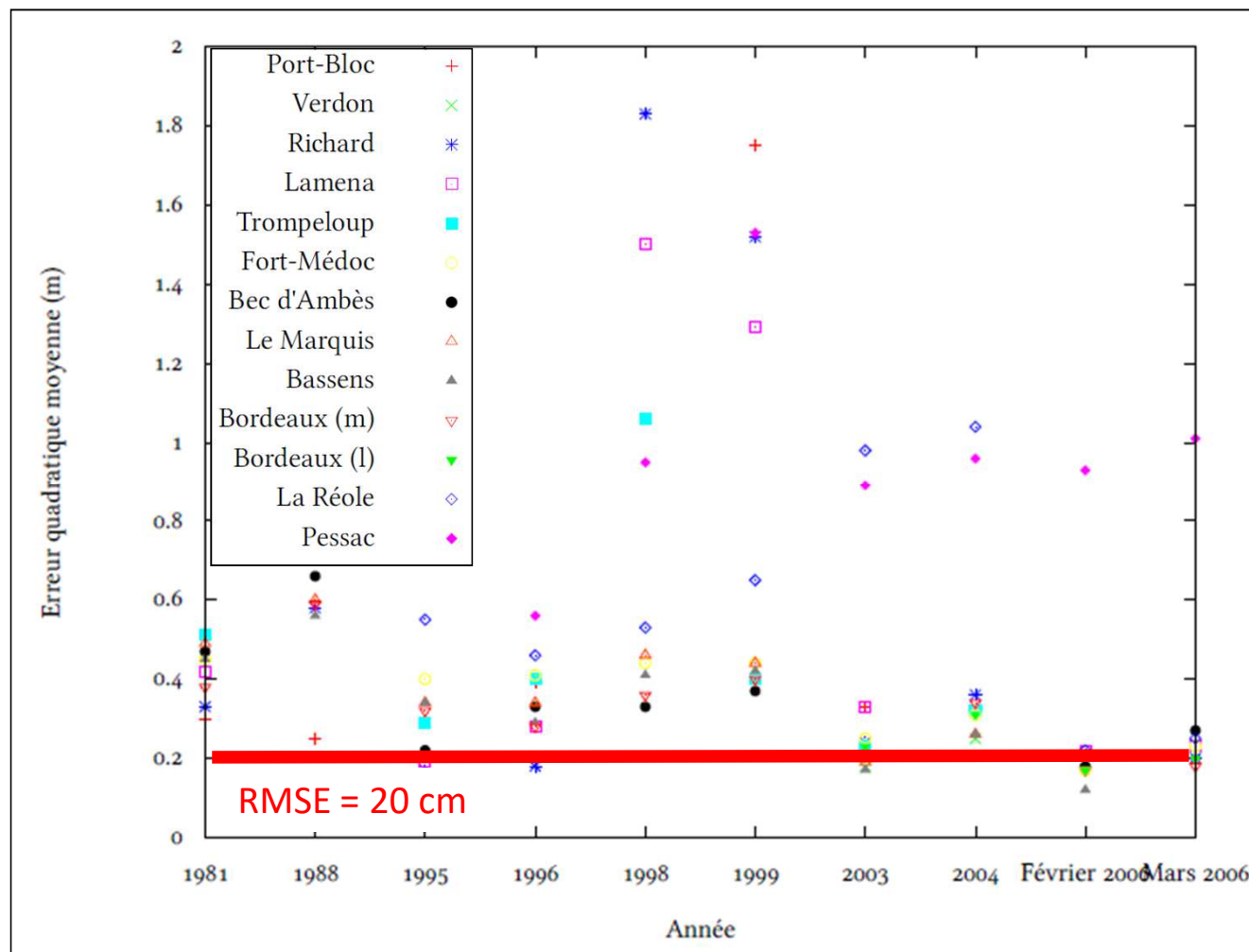
### Stations

- 13 stations

### Criteria

- Root mean square error (RMSE)
- **High tide nash (PM)**

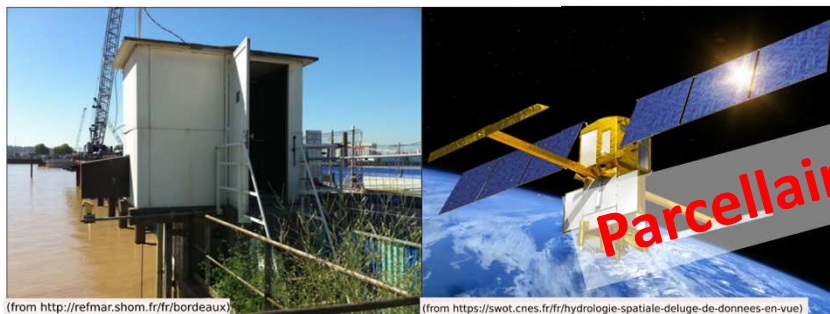
=> Data assimilation techniques



Source : Hissel (2010), Projet Gironde : rapport final d'évaluation du modèle Gironde

## Data assimilation

### Observations



Measurement errors  
Ad hoc measures

### Numerical model



Equations  
Calibration  
Forcings

### What do we know ?

- the "true" state of the system is **unknown** and must be estimated
  - measurements and models are **imperfect**

### What do we want ?

- Identify **the most influential variables in time and space**
- find an **optimal combination** of measurements and simulations

(from Rochoux & al, 2015)



Improve the prediction of water levels at the most sensitive stations of the estuary using ensemble data assimilation techniques.

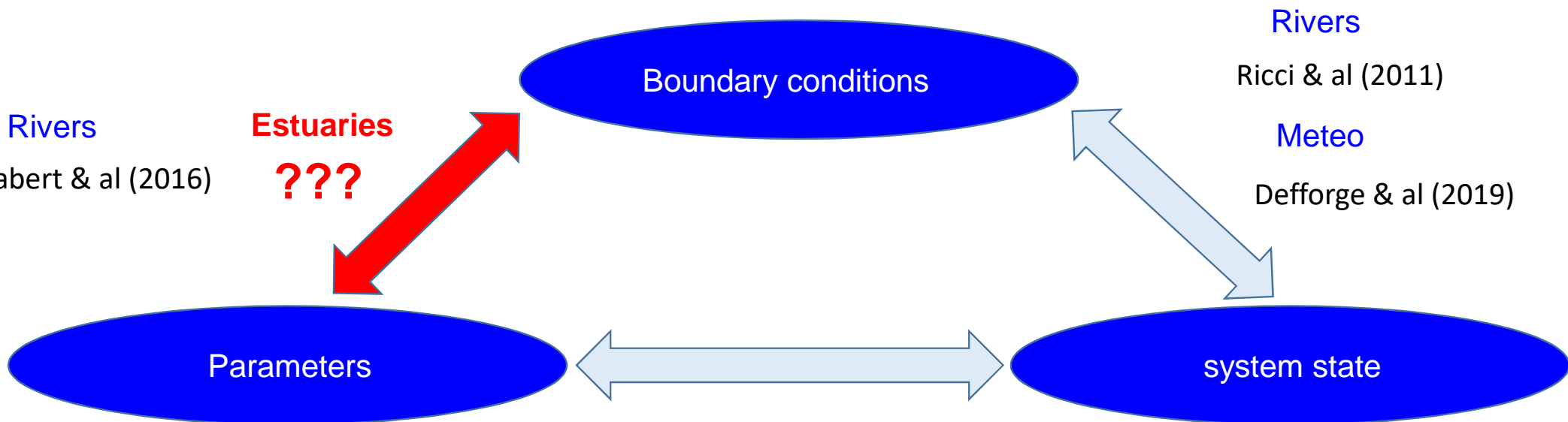
Partie I : uncertainty quantification (UQ-GSA)

- Objective : identify the most influential variables and establish a space-time hierarchy
- Scientific latch: space-time variables / forcings (maritime influence)
- Technological lock: 2D code (resources / environment)

Partie II : data assimilation using ensemble method (EnKF- $\gamma$ -KLBC)

- Objective : correct relevant variables by optimizing the observation network
- Scientific locks :
  - ✓ Dispersion/characterization of the ensemble
  - ✓ Interactions between variables and equifinality
- Technology lock: 2D code (HPC / sequential task farming)

State of the art for the control vector



Rivers  
Vrugt & al (2006)  
Moradkhani (2005)  
Oubanas & al (2018)

Estuaries  
Tamura & al (2014)  
Siripatana (2018)

Uncertainties put on  
Meteo  
Almeida & al (2015)  
Etala & al (2015)  
Raboudi & al (2019)

Boundary conditions  
Bertino & al (2002)  
Frolov & al (2009)  
Canas & al  
Barthélémy (2017)

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**Uncertainty quantification : most influential inputs in time and space**

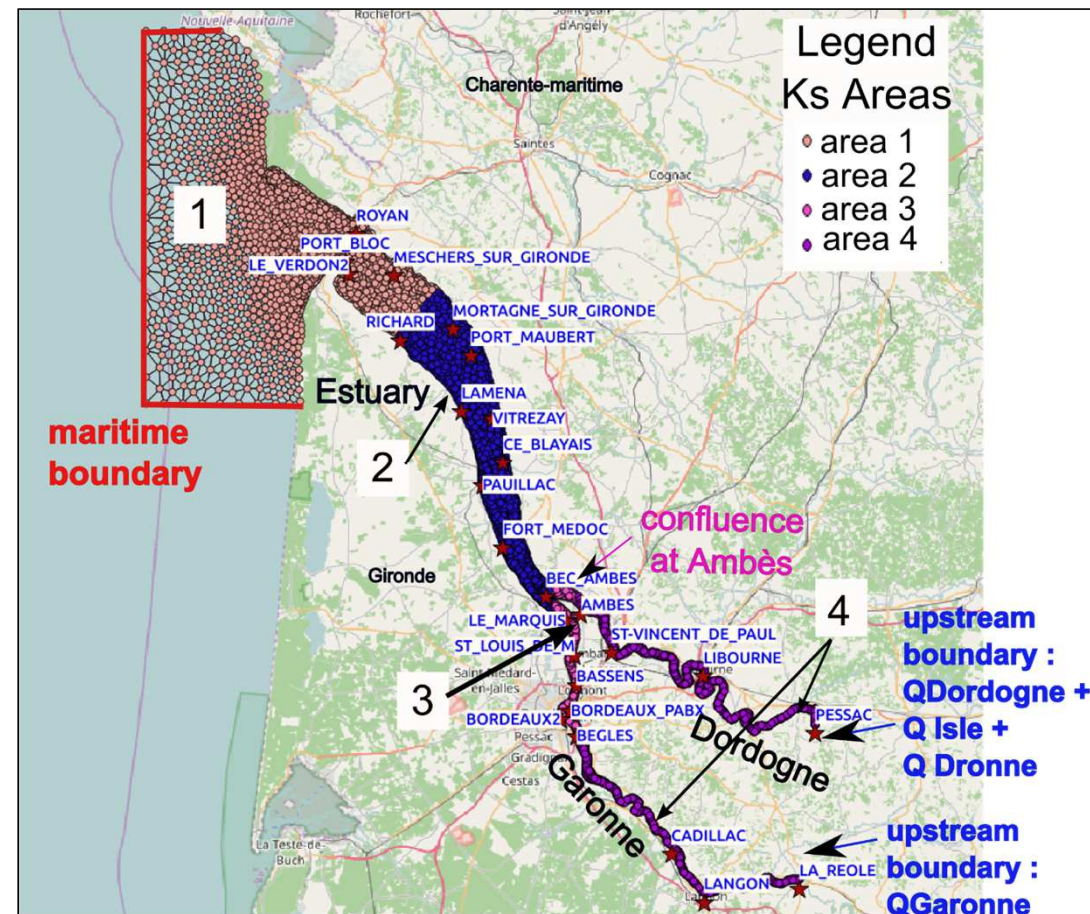
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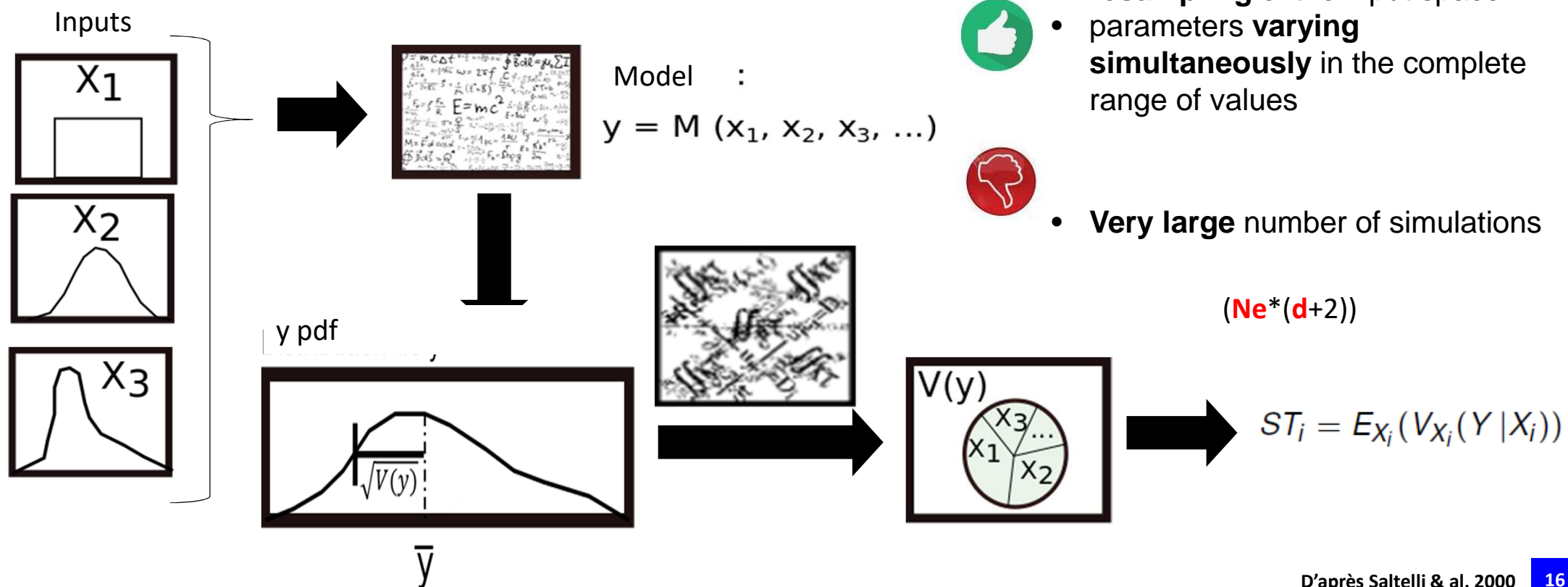


## Global sensitivity analysis (GSA) using variance decomposition (ANOVA) : Methodology for perturbing inputs

- Sobol' sequence
- 8 uncertain variables:
  - ✓ scalar : Ks, CDz
  - ✓ **Time-dependent :**  
**CLMAR, QDOR, QGAR**
- Mesh and number convergence study



## Global sensitivity analysis (GSA) using variance decomposition (ANOVA)



Why « global » ?

- Statistical approach based on the **resampling** of the input space
- parameters **varying simultaneously** in the complete range of values
- **Very large** number of simulations

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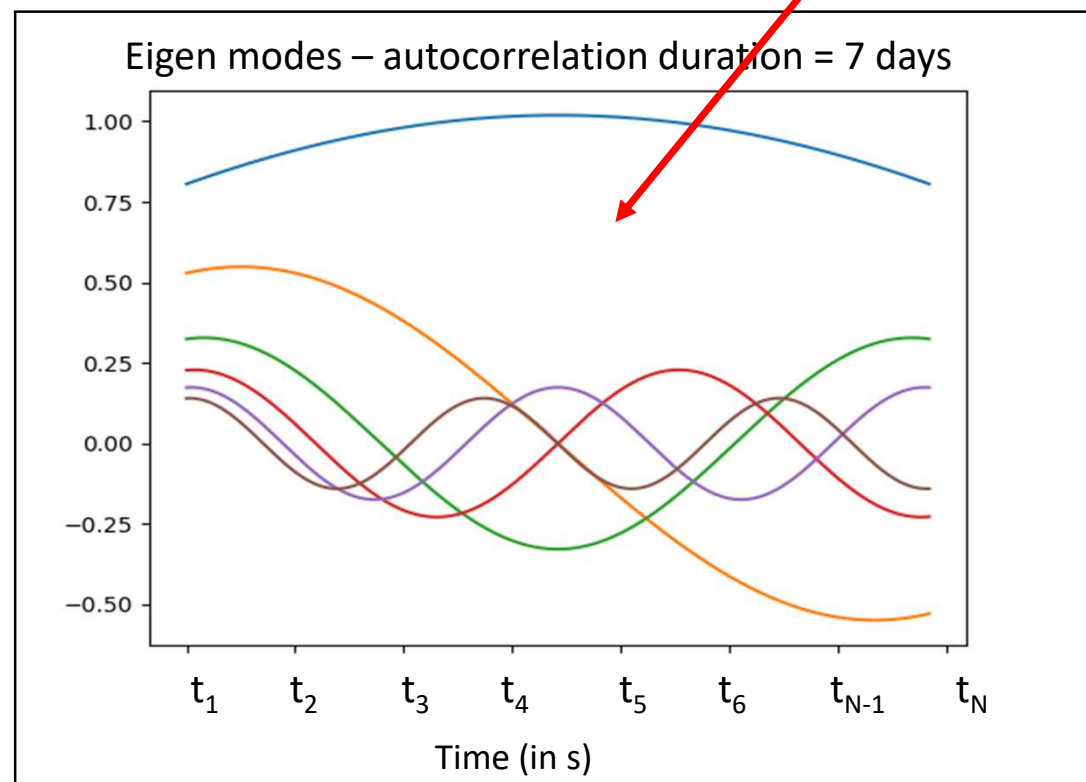
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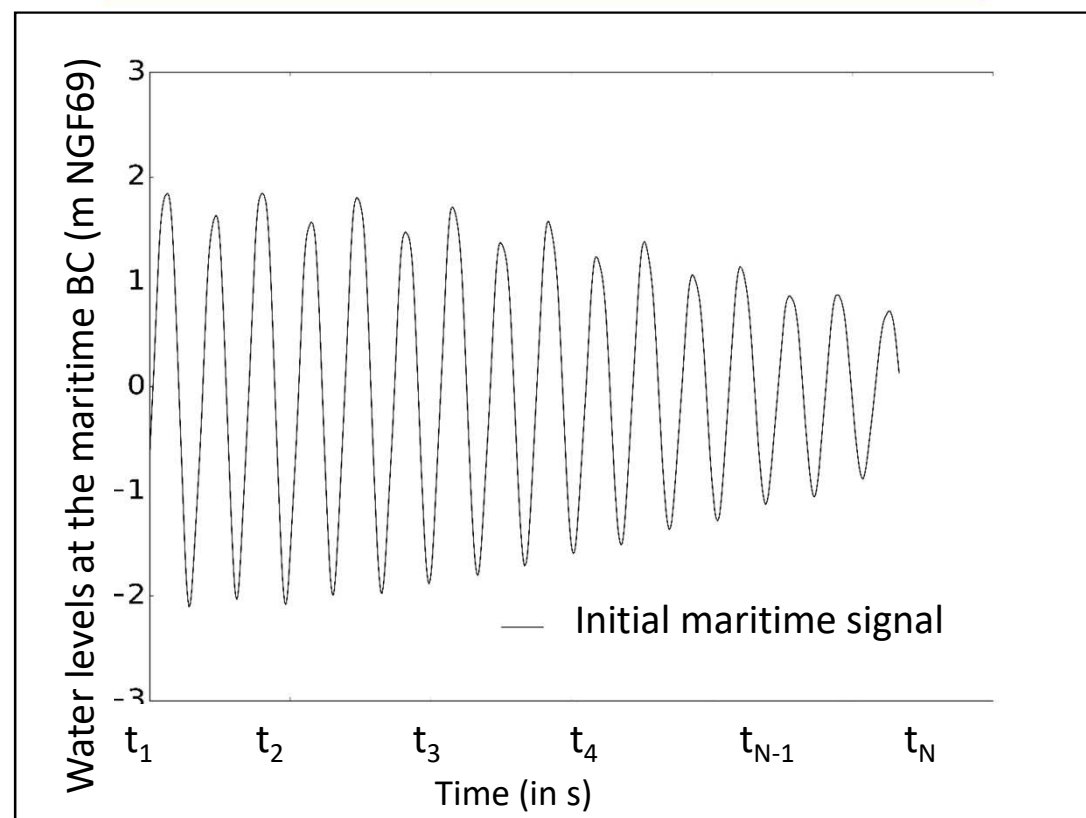
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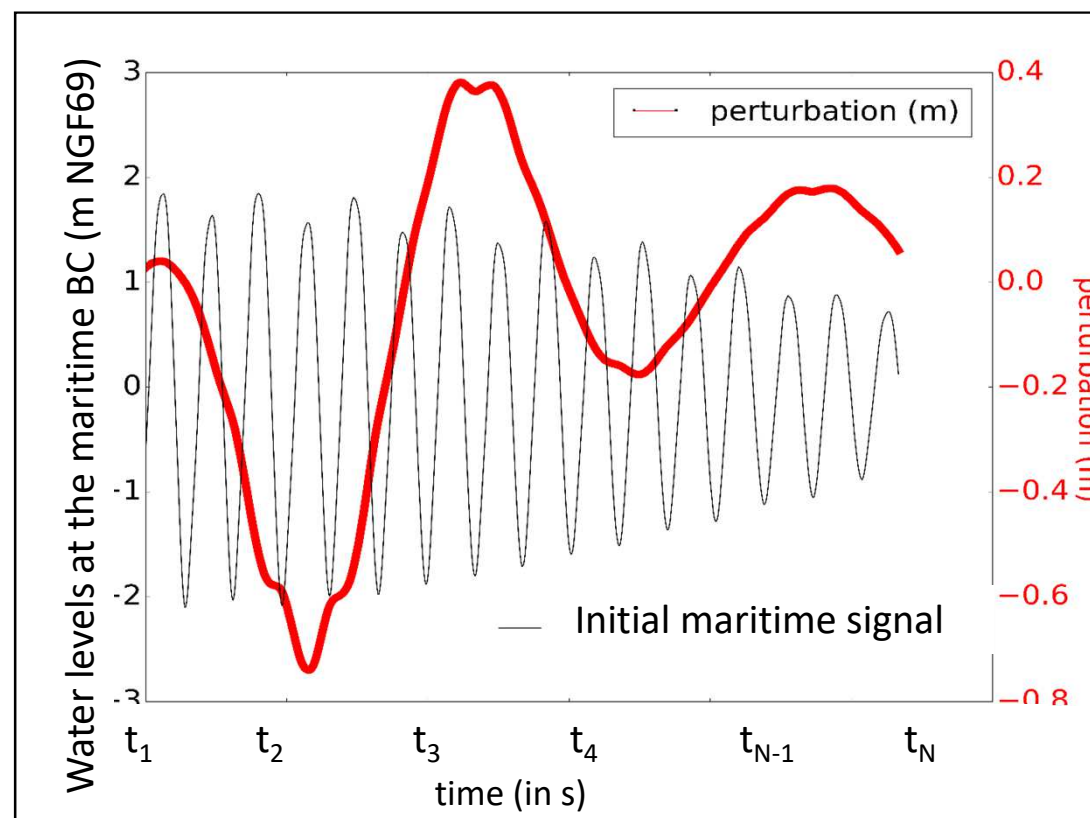
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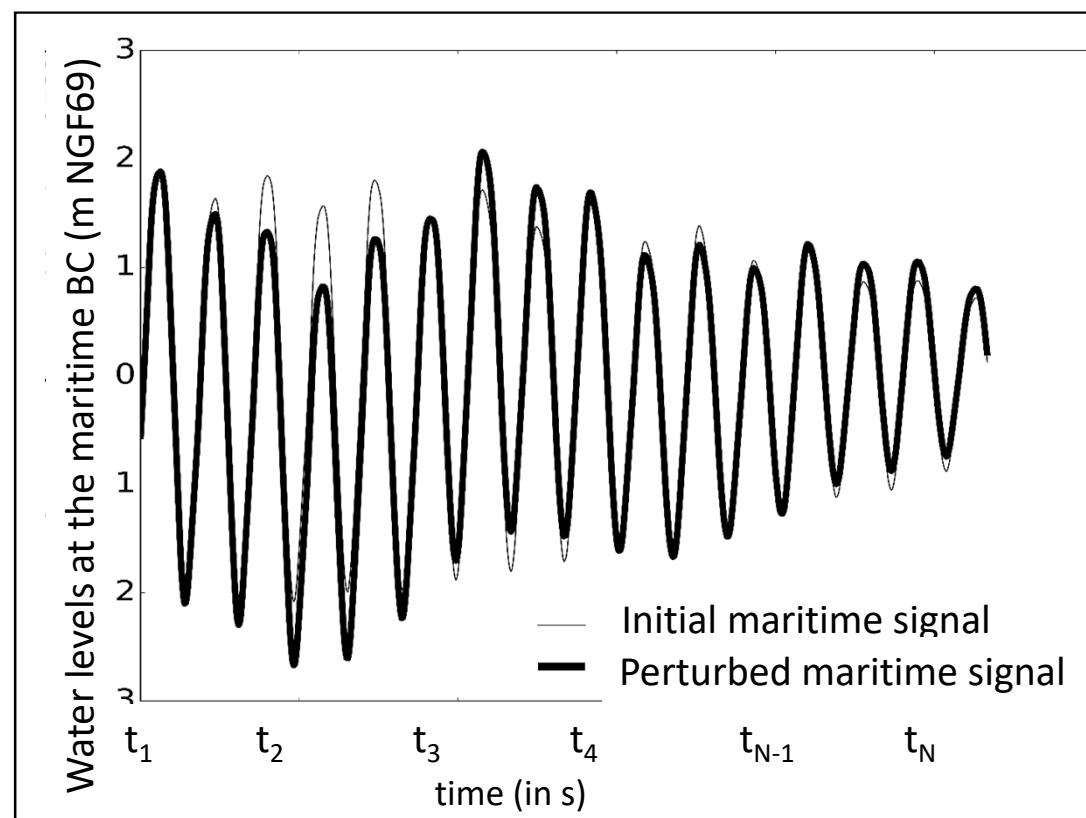
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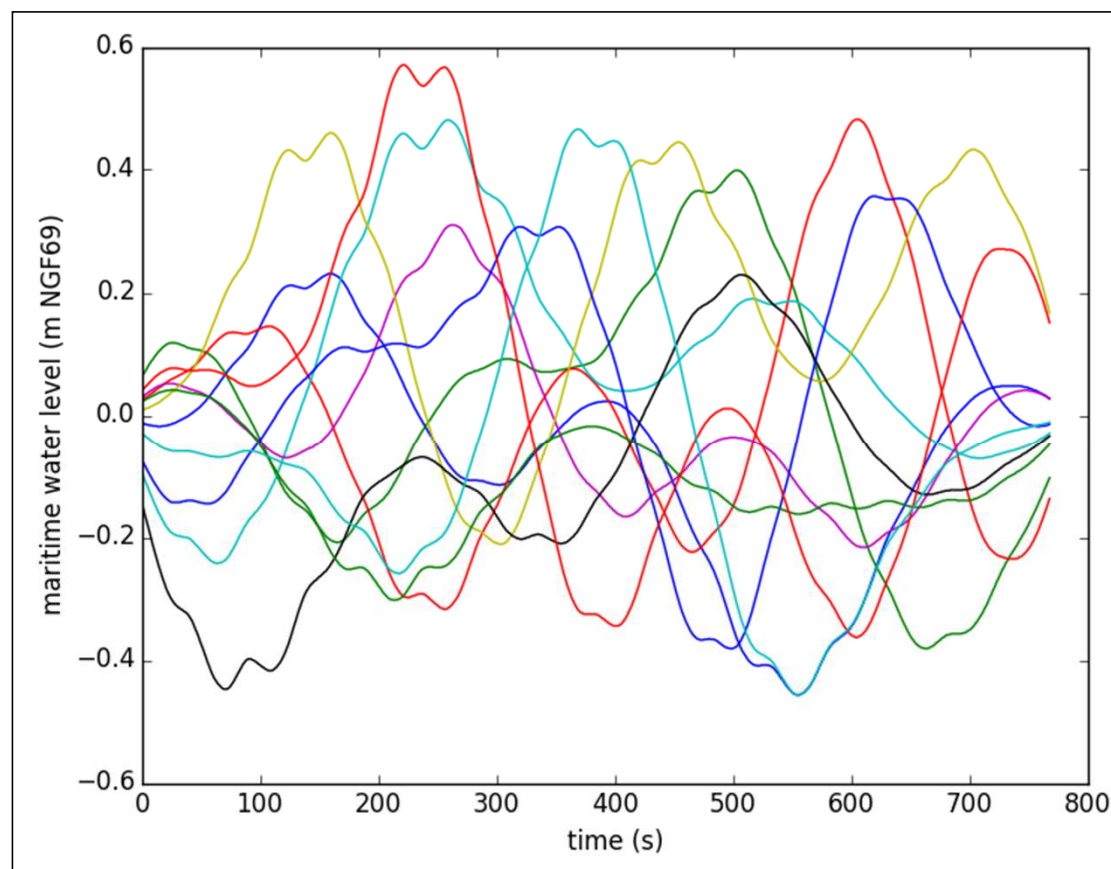
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Ensemble of  $N_e$  members of perturbed temporal vectors





## Global sensitivity analysis (GSA) using variance decomposition (ANOVA) : results

### Method

Computation of **Sobol' indices**

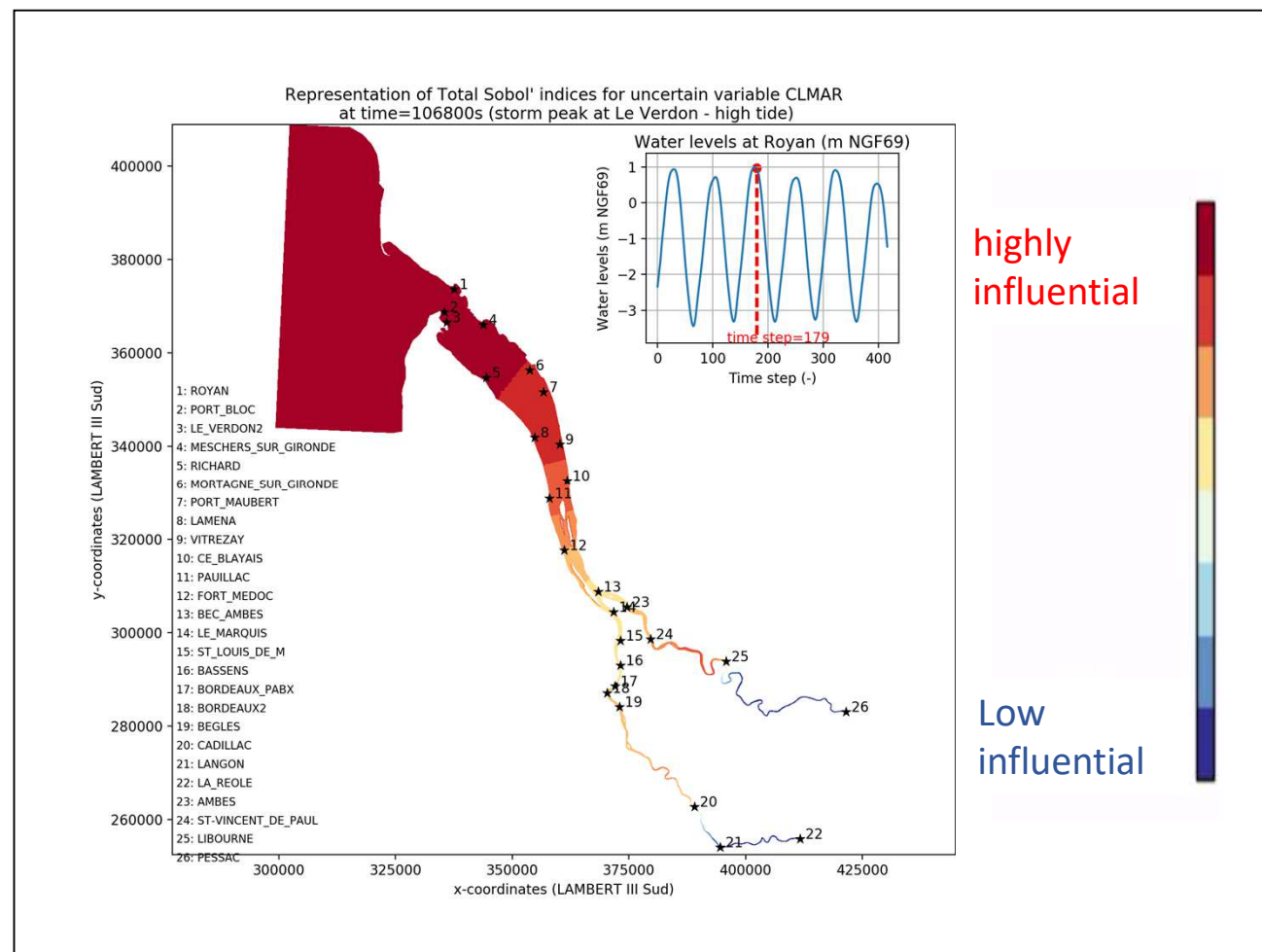
### Results

Determination of the **spatio-temporal  
evolution of the zone of influence**

### Exemple

**Space-time homogeneity**

Laborie, V & al (2019), Quantifying forcing  
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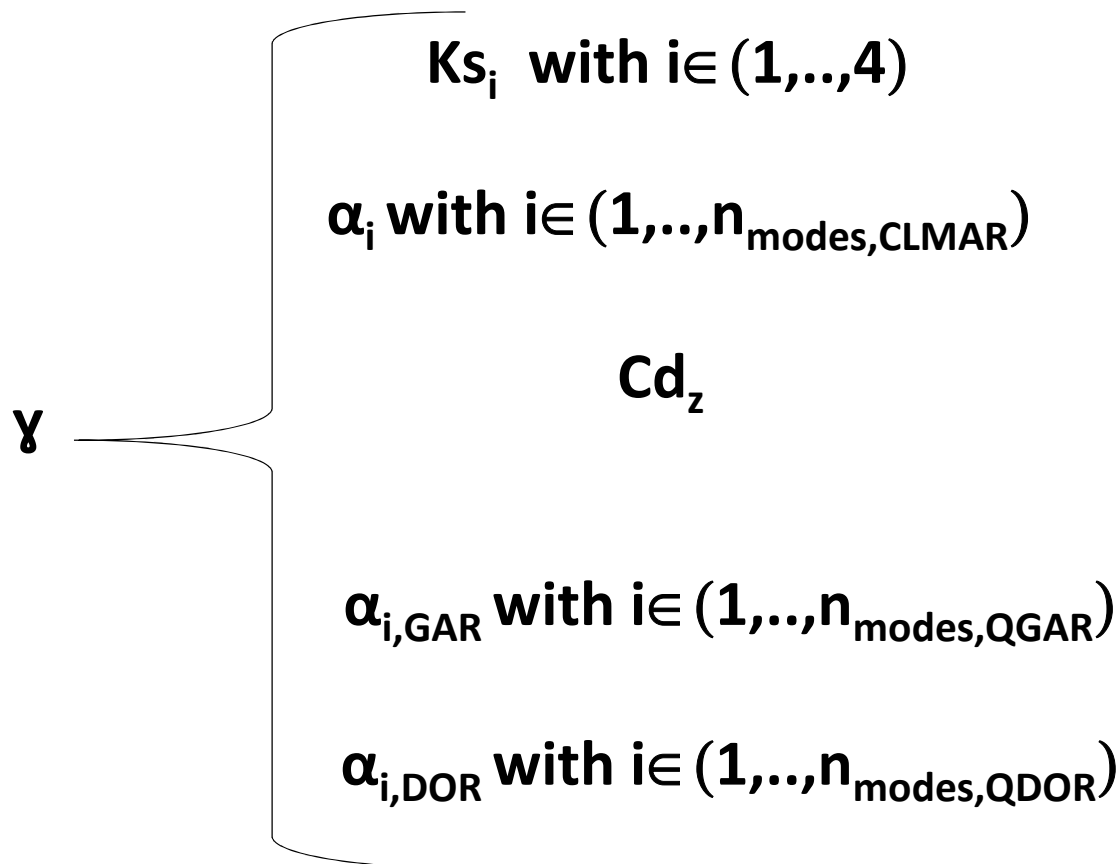
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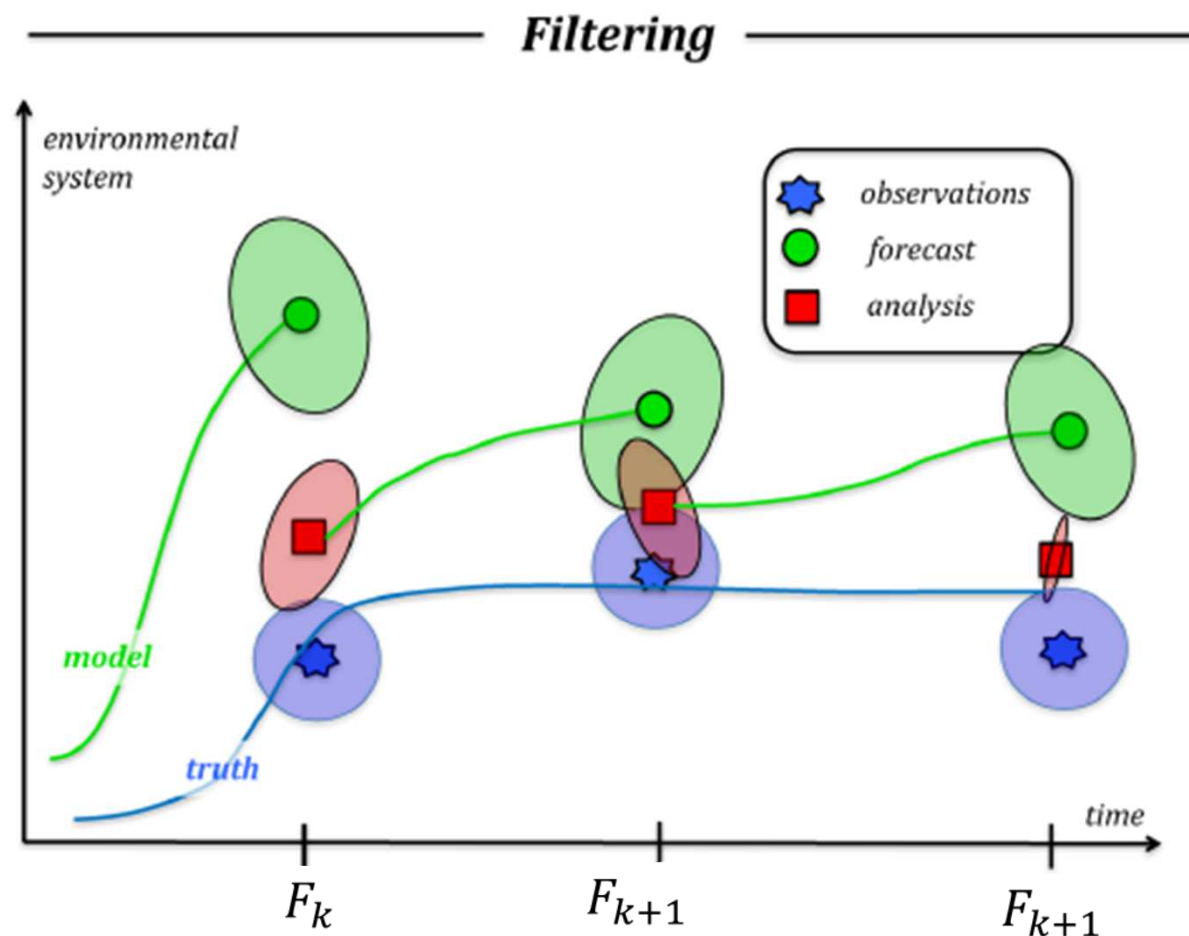


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- Sequential in 2 steps (analysis and prediction)**

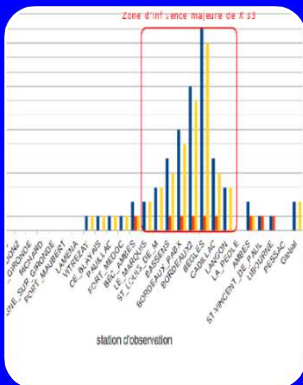
$$\text{Analysis} = \text{Prediction} + \mathbf{K} [\text{Distance to observations}]$$

$$\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{P}^{Y,Y} (\mathbf{P}^{Y,Y} + \mathbf{R})^{-1}$$



(Source: Carrassi & al (2018))





## Validation with twin experiments

- Influence zone validation
- Time-varying parameters
- Simultaneous reconstruction of parameters and forcings

## Evaluation on real experiments

- Evolution of parameters and forcings
- Performances

## Constant and periodic coefficients of friction

### Control variable

Ks1, Ks2, Ks3

Ne = 100

### Observations

3 stations: Le  
Verdon, Pauillac,  
Bordeaux

Frequency

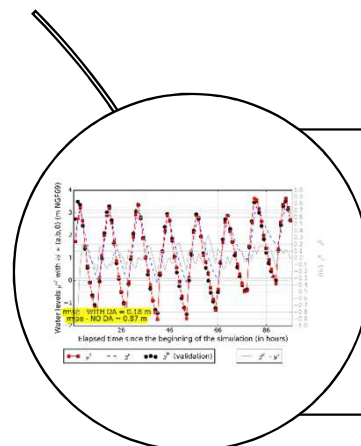
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Assimilation  
window

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Overlapping

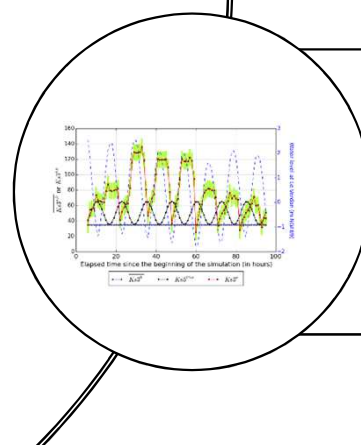
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### Validation of influence zones

Good **estimation** of constant or periodic parameters

**Improvement** of water level forecasting



**Over-estimation** of the amplitude of the parameters

Difficulties in estimating Ks3 (**confluence** zone)

Highlighting the **equifinality** on the Ks

## Joint estimation of forcing by decomposition of KL and parameters

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$Ks1, Ks2, Ks3, \alpha_{CLMAR}$   
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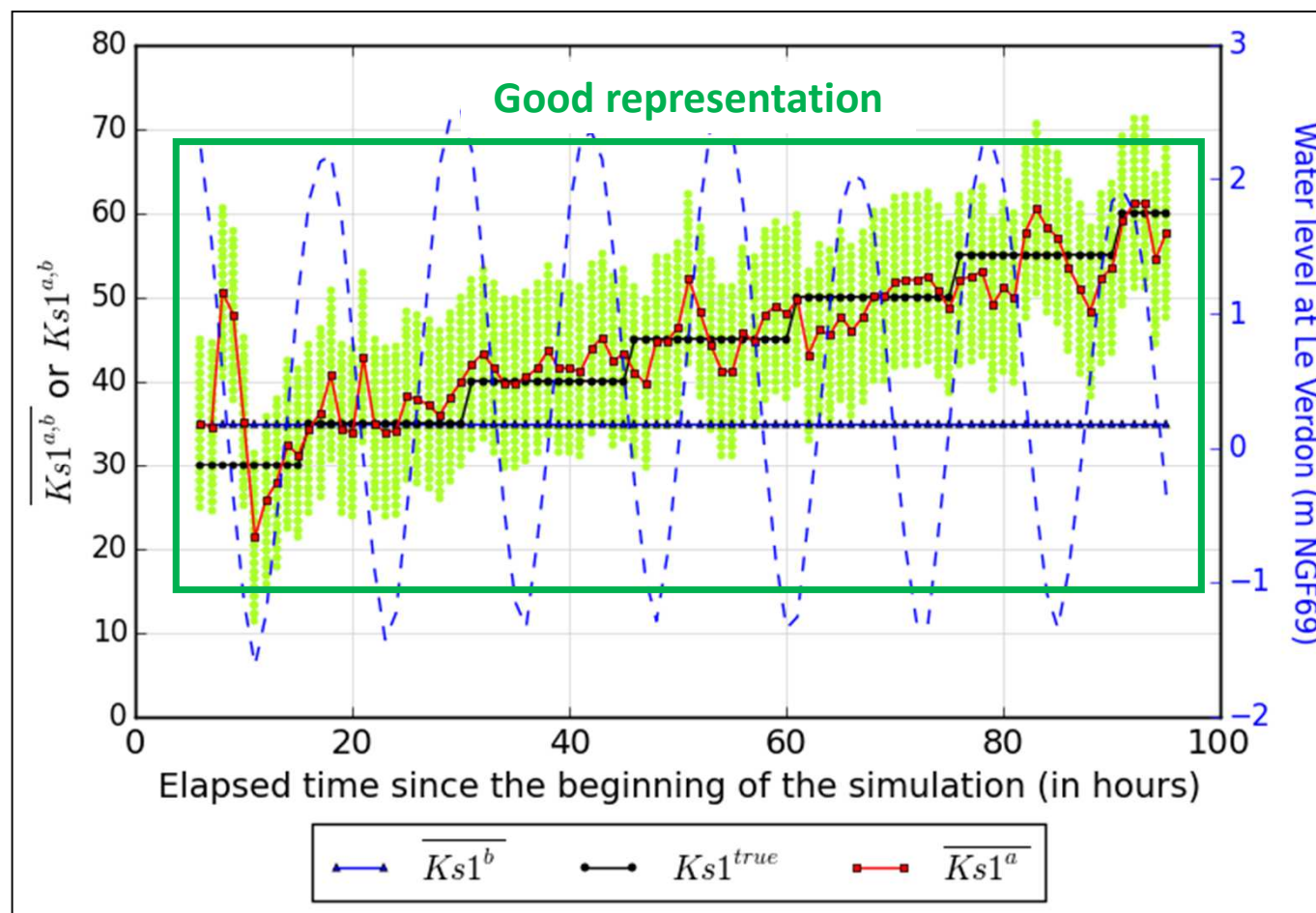
### Observations

12 stations  
Frequency  
1 hour

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1 hour  
Overlapping  
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## Evolution of the mean of the analysed ensemble **WITH** redispersion for Ks1



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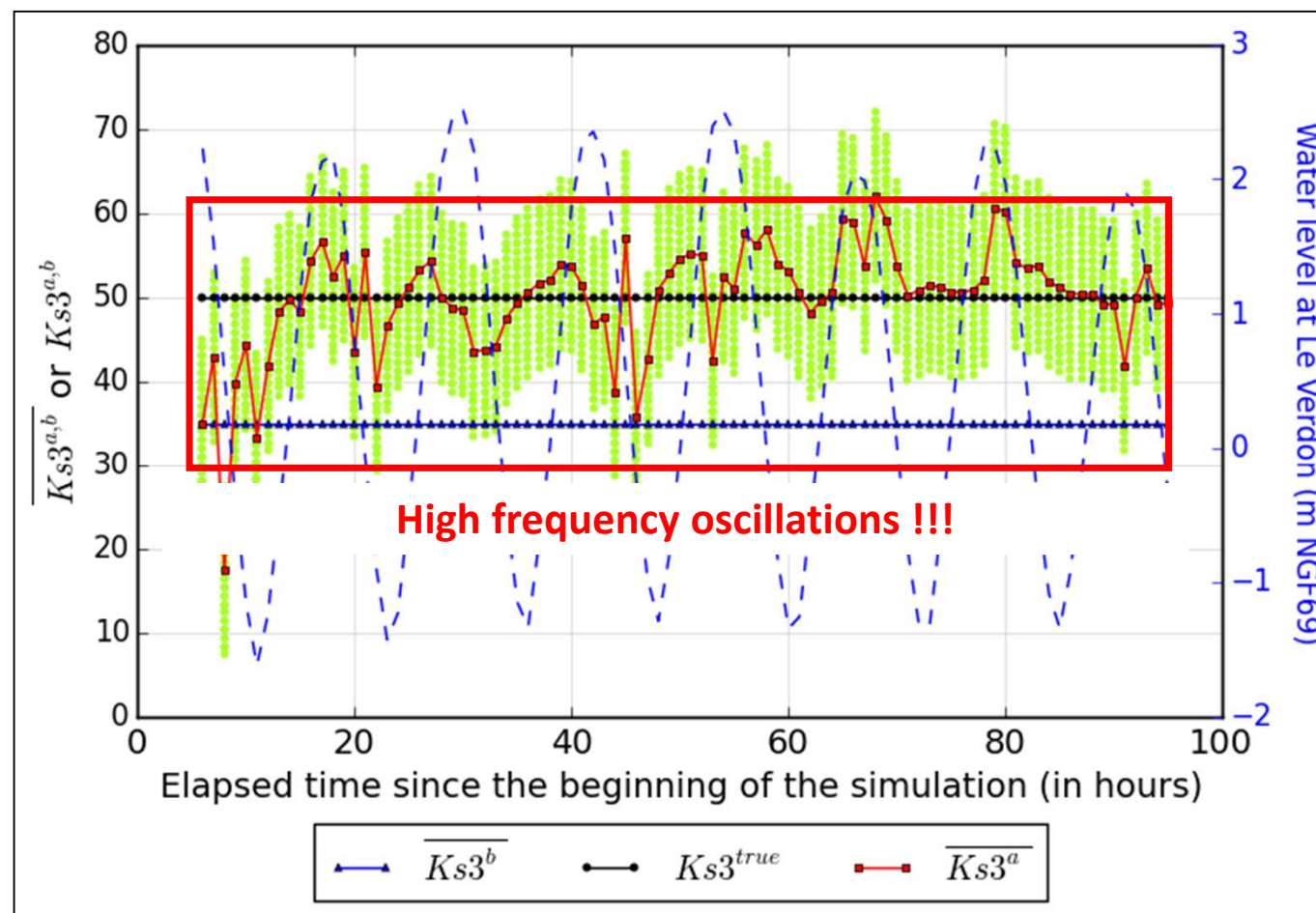
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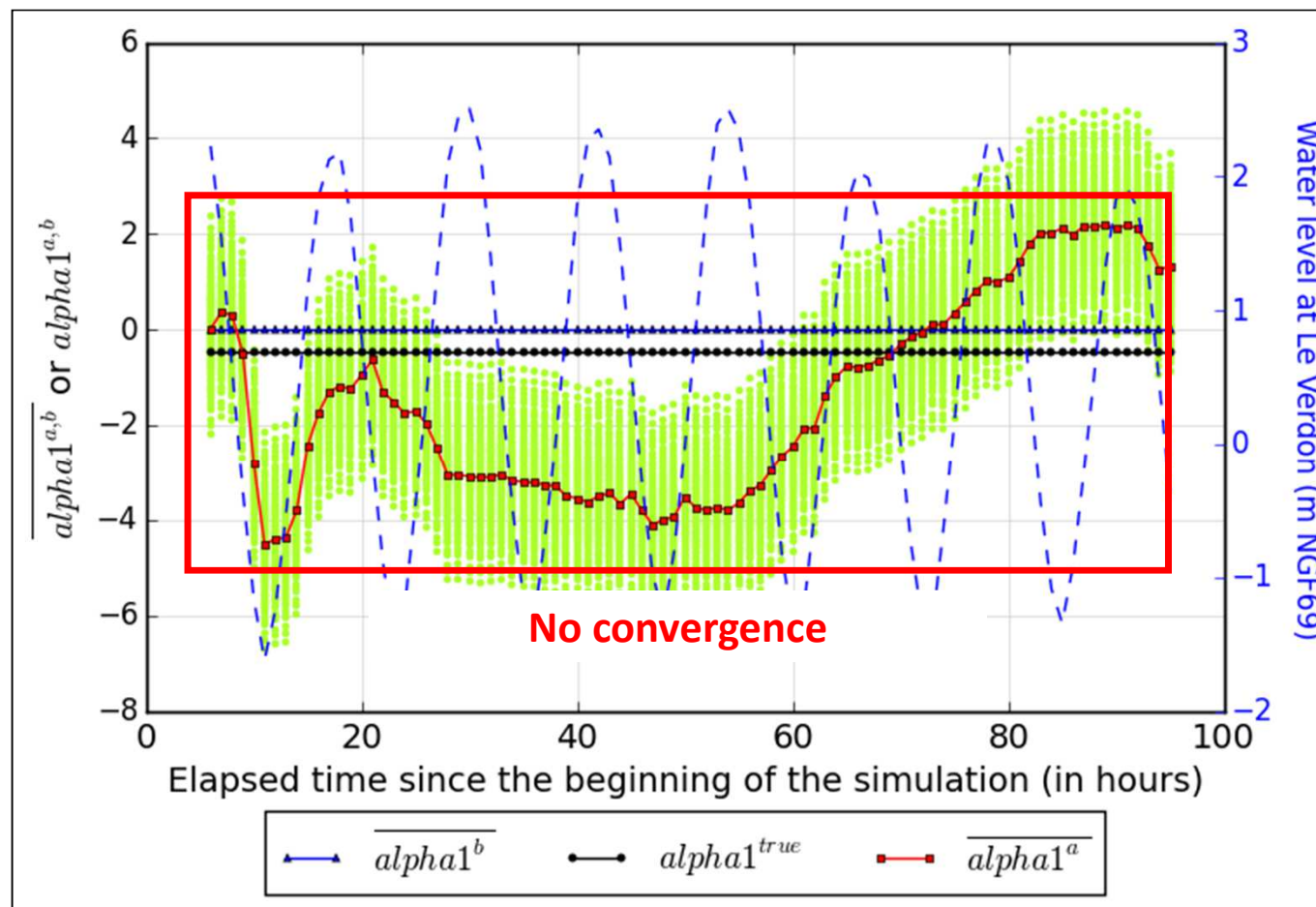
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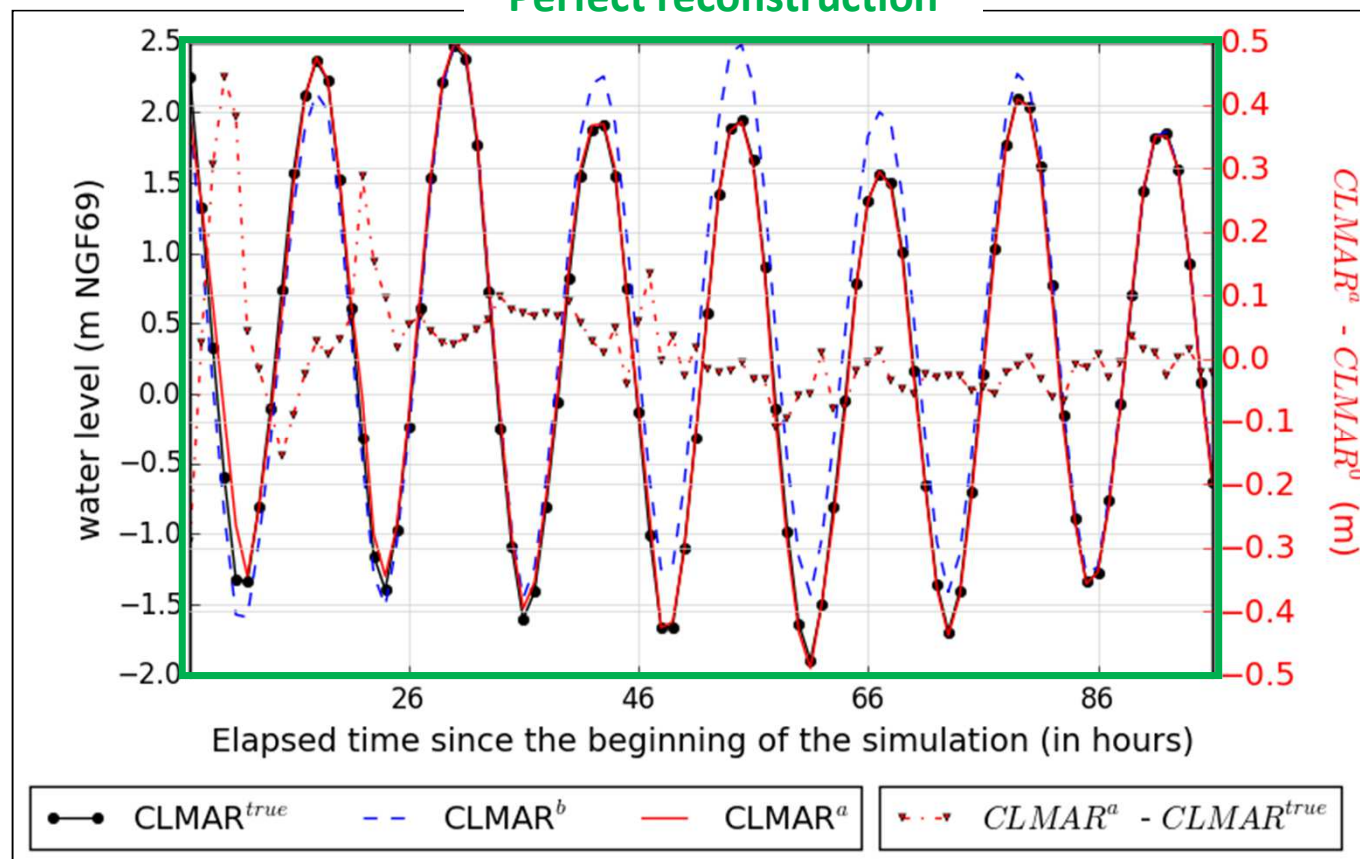
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## Reconstruction of the maritime boundary condition **CLMAR**

### Perfect reconstruction



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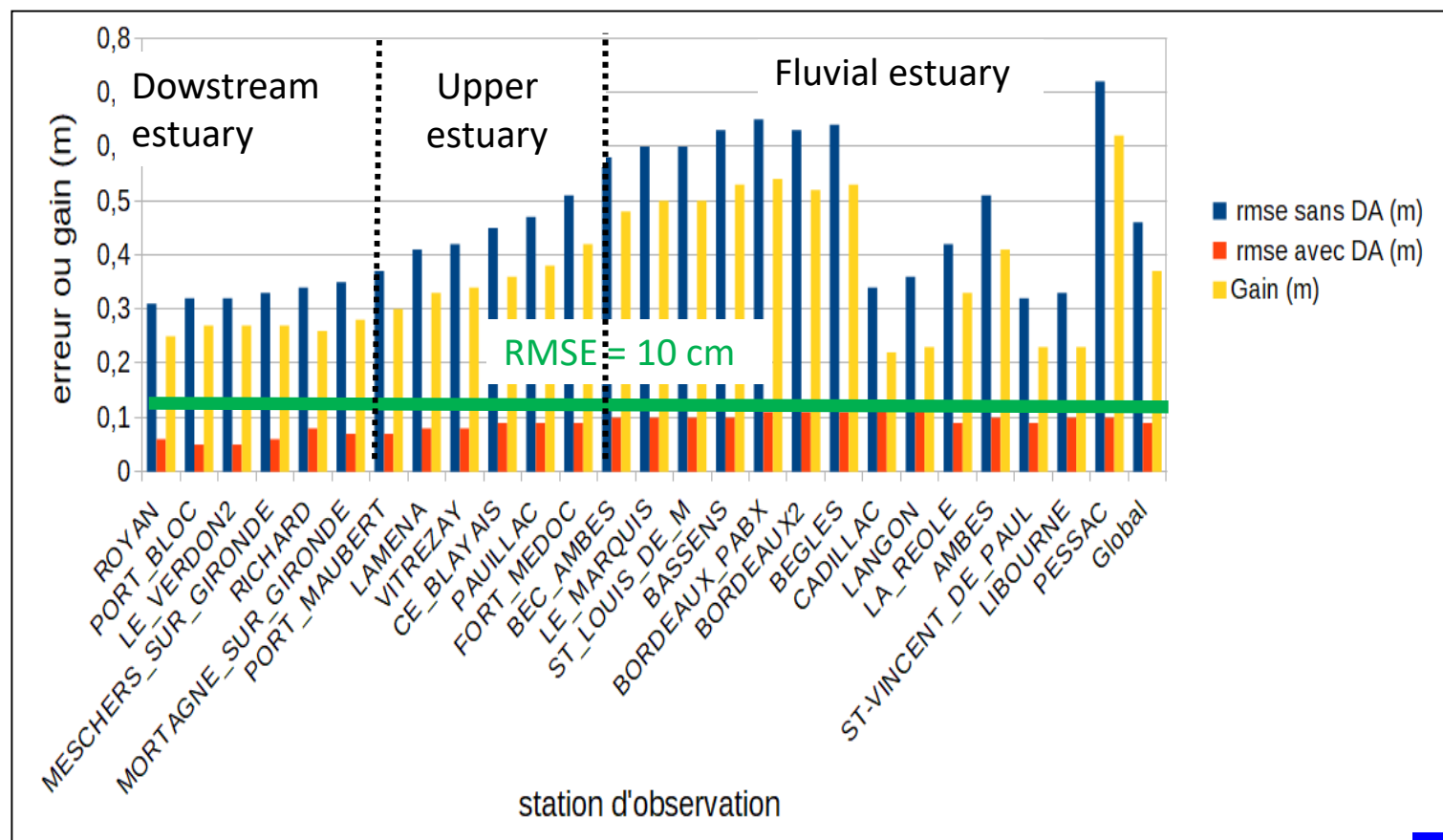
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## Root mean square error **without** and **with** assimilation



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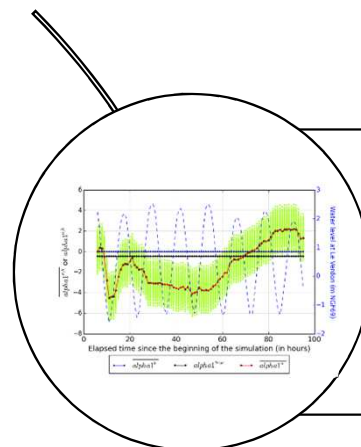
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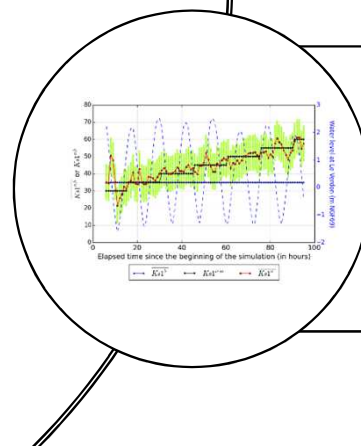


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**High-frequency oscillations** for parameters

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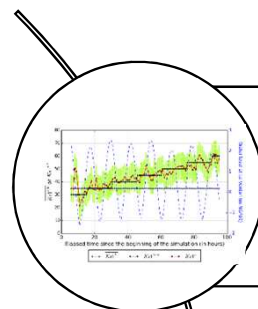
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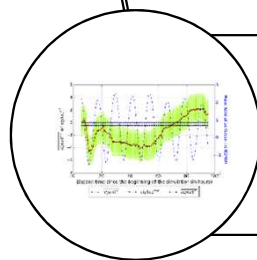
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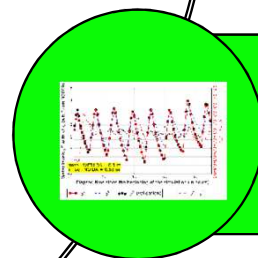


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Study of the **most efficient configuration** of the method

**Control variables:** time-dependent (discharges, maritime boundary): modes,  
**parameters:**  $Ks1, Ks2, Ks3$

**Optimal observation network:** 7 tide gauges,  $Ne = 100$

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## 1. Identification of the spatio-temporal evolution of the zones of influence of time-dependent variables

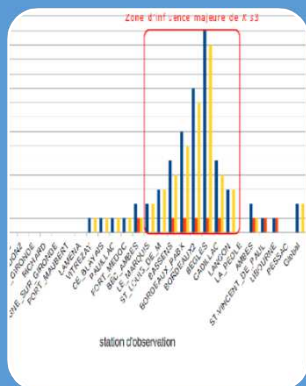
- ⇒ **Uncertainty Quantification** Study (ANOVA-GSA) for the 2003 storm
- ⇒ **Ensemble kalman filter**

## 2. Joint Estimation of Parameters and time-dependent forcings

- ⇒ **Correlations** and **specific equifinality**
- ⇒ **reconstruction** of **maritime** boundary conditions
- ⇒ **Sensitive area of the confluence**
- ⇒ **NO convergence of modal coefficients, variability of friction coefficients**

## 3. Improvement of water levels estimation along the estuary under reanalysis

- ⇒ **Better estimation** of high tides, storm peaks downstream of the estuary, signal amplitude
- ⇒ Most **efficient** configuration in a **synthetic** setting



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⇒ **Perspective 1**

## 2. Improvement of the methodology for a better representation of physical processes

- ⇒ **Localisation** based on the analysis of the **spatio-temporal evolution of sensitivity indices** (Sobol')
- ⇒ **Emulation** of the Ensemble Kalman filter (Raboudi & al, Frolov & al)
- ⇒ **Iterative Kalman Filter** (Sakov & al, 2012)

## 3. Extension of the control vector to 2D uncertain time and space dependent fields

- ⇒ **Integration of additional forcings**: meteorological forcing, bathymetry

## 4. Diversification of observations

- ⇒ **Satellite data** (SWOT project)

## 5. Model reduction and operationnability

- ⇒ **Metamodels**
- ⇒ **Predictive mode**





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