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# Methodologies for the characterisation of spatially distributed hydrological events: the Italian case study

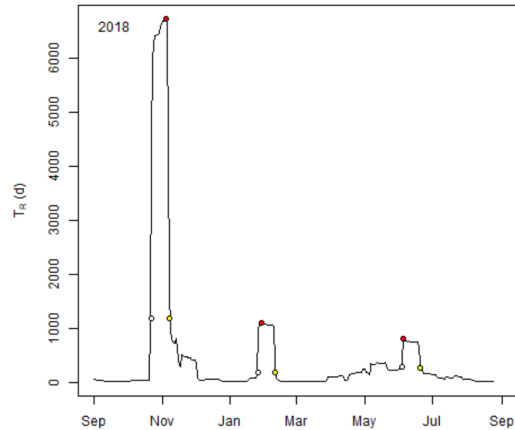


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## REGIONAL RP METHOD

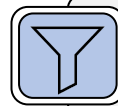


**Q -> Exceeding Empirical  
Frequencies ->RP**

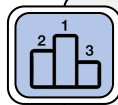


**Empirical Regional Return  
Period**

$$T_r(i, j) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n g(j) * winodw(t_r(i, j), w)$$

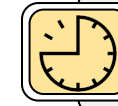


**Low pass filter**



**Classification Parameter:  
Regional Return Period**

## CIMA



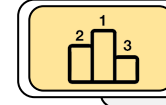
**MIT (Minimum Inter-event  
Time)**



**Annual maxima best fit**



**Daily return period for each  
station & Gaussian filter**



**Classification Parameter:  
Sum of each local return period**



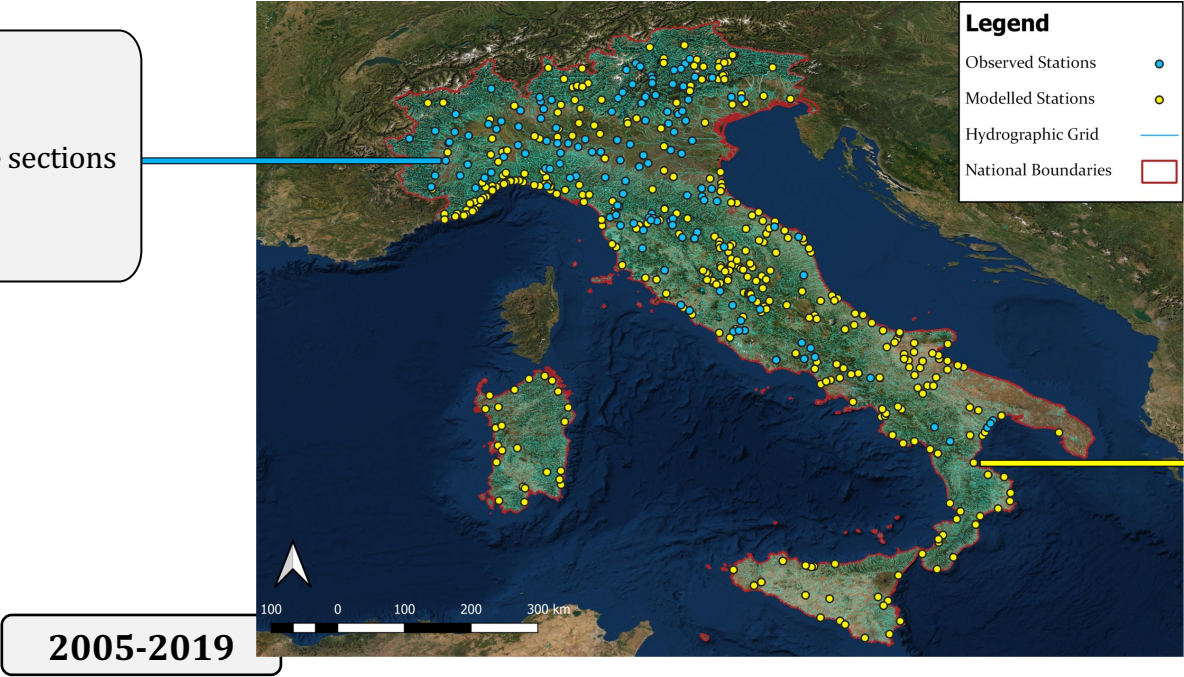
Event	Regions	Date	Source	Damage
Soverato 2000	Calabria	10/09/00	polaris	13 casualties. Triggering of various landslides.
Vibo Valentia 2006	Calabria	03/07/06	polaris	3 casualties. Presence of many debris.
Debris flow Villar Pellice	Piemonte	28/05/08	polaris	Debris flow that has swept the villages and the roads.
Flood Event Italia 2008	Sardegna, Piemonte, Campania, Calabria, Veneto, Sicilia	10/10/08	reports	Flooding all over Italy, landslides and closed roads.
General bad weather in the Nord-Est and Center of Italy	Toscana, Friuli, Veneto	07/07/09	polaris + reports	Flooding of streams and canals, resulting in closures of several roads.

HISTORIC FLOOD DATABASE

Reports from Italian Civil Protection Department  
+  
CNR & IRPI Databases

Observed Data

- 145 hydrometeorological active sections
- Unevenly spatial distribution



Modelled Data

- 457 sections generated by hydrological model (CONTINUUM)
- Homogeneous spatial distribution



Date	Regional RP Method	CIMA	Historic	TOT (1-3)
07/11/12	1	1	1	3
21/01/13	1	1	0	2
17/05/13	1	1	1	3
16/11/13	1	1	1	3
01/12/13	1	1	1	3
05/01/14	0	1	1	2
03/05/14	1	1	1	3
12/11/14	1	1	1	3
30/01/15	1	1	0	2

## LOGIC TABLE

Logic table of macro-events  
selected from methods

Method consistency

Method consistency

% of all events	Observed	Modelled
3	45	42.5
3 No CIMA	2.5	0
3 No Regional RP Method	0	0
no data	10	10
/	42.5	47.5

Both methods show  
**similar results**

% of first 22 events	Observed	Modelled
3	68.2	63.6
3 No CIMA	4.5	0.0
3 No Regional RP Method	0.0	0.0
no data	4.5	4.5
/	22.7	31.8

Critical and large  
events are **selected**





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**More than 60% consistency between historical data and model outputs**



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**Uneven distribution of events in Italy**



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**Mobile space window with integration of radar and satellite data**



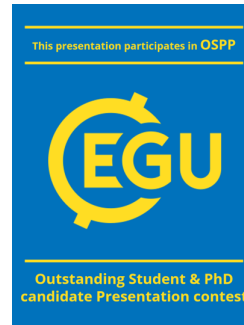
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**Climate change and future trends**





# THANK YOU



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