

Improved Representations of Water-Power System Interactions to Inform Clean Energy Transition for Mainland Southeast Asia

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MOTIVATION

Existing energy planning models

- Couple long-term investments with short-term operations using representative period method
- Over-simplify or overlook river dynamics

Potentially yielding power system plans that lack resilience or viability



To address the above, we introduce an integrated model for water and power systems with a refined decomposition algorithm.

OUR STUDY

- Captures river dynamics in power system operation and planning;
- Individual plant level;
- Hour-scale continuous annual planning for power systems.

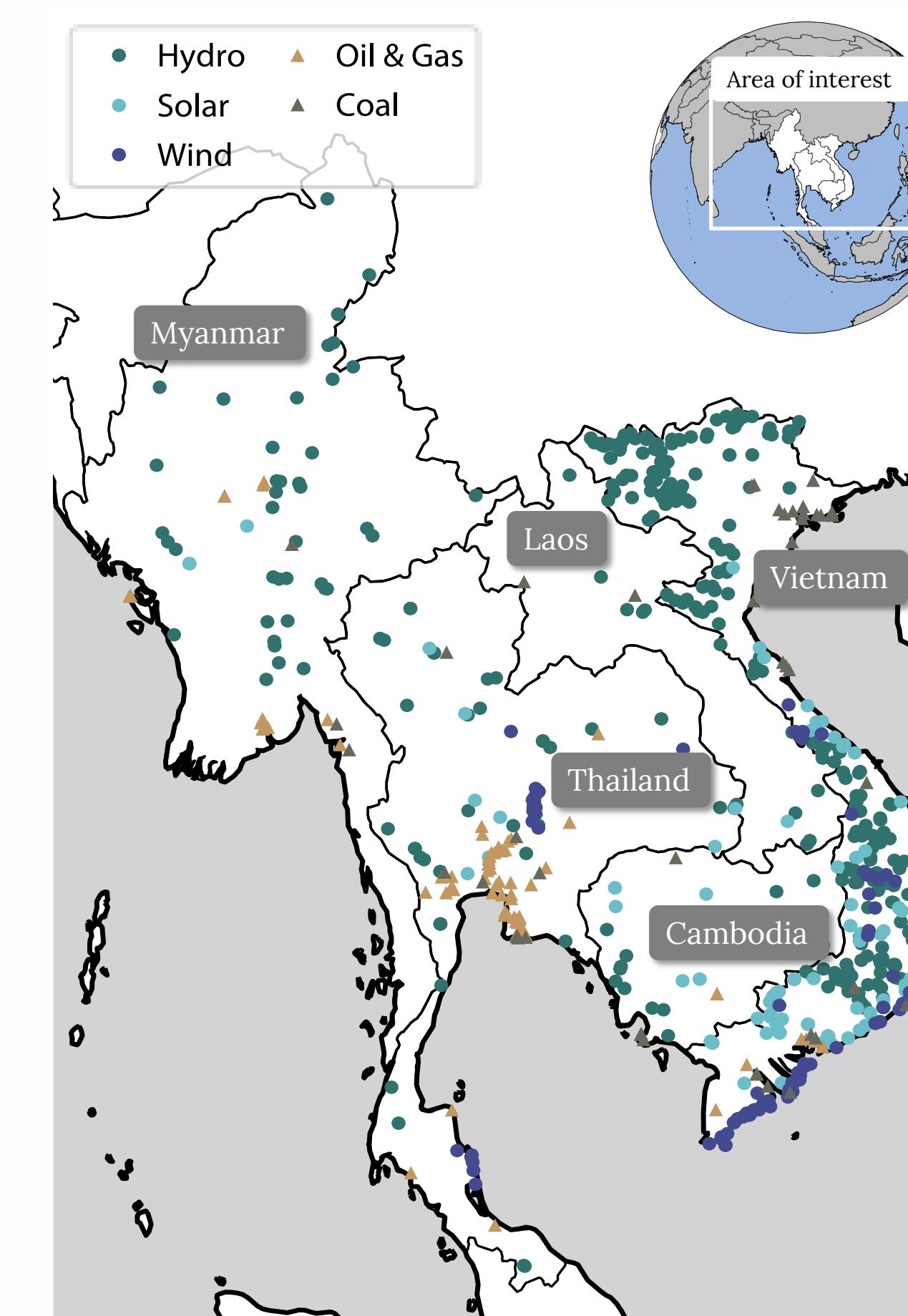
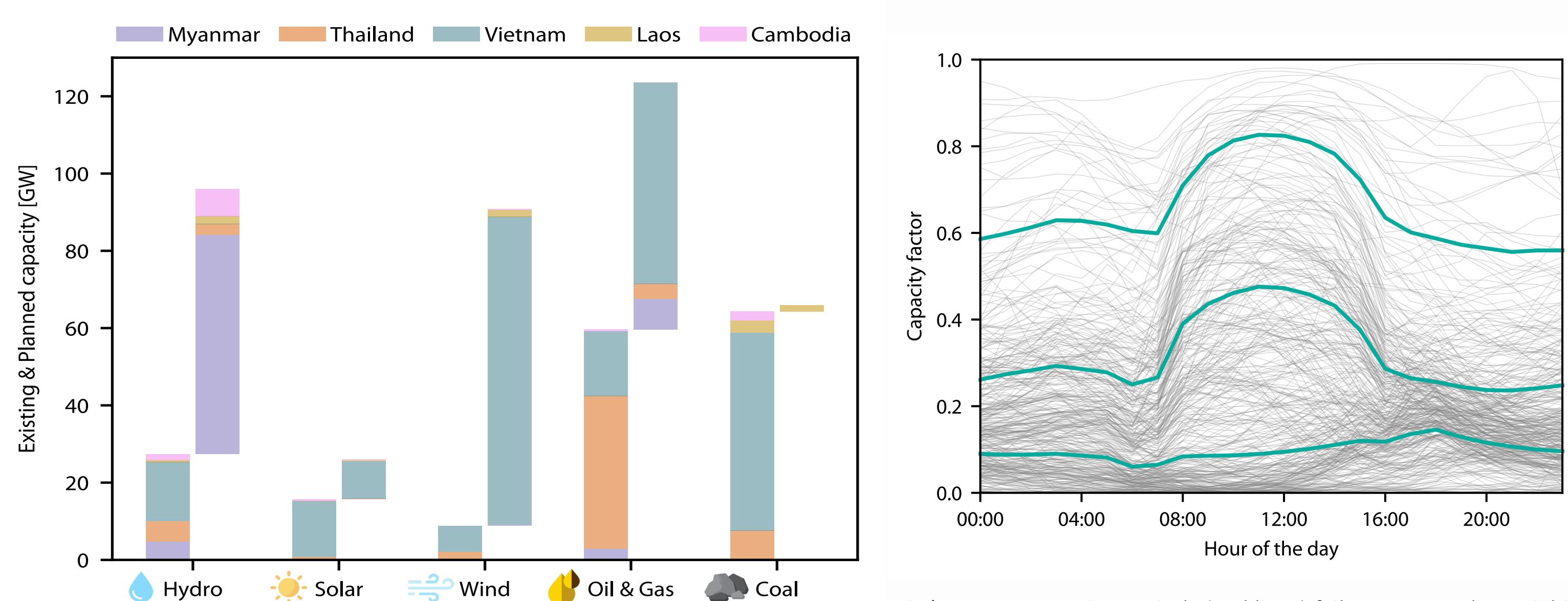


Fig 3. Operational power plants in Southeast Asia. (Global Energy Monitor, 2023)

METHODOLOGY

- Run Community Water Model (CWatM) to simulate daily natural streamflow and reservoir operation



- Run River Basin Model (RBM) to simulate daily water temperature based on simulated daily streamflow

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Reverse particle tracking from each node } T(x_0, t_0) &\rightarrow T(x, t) \\ \xi = x - x_0 - \int_{t_0}^t u dt \\ \text{Integrate heat fluxes along path from } t_0 \text{ to } t \\ \Delta T = \Delta t [\frac{H_{air-water}(t, x_j)}{\rho C_p D(t, x_j)} + \Phi(t, x_j)] \end{aligned}$$

Update water temperature at next time step

- Build statistical modelling to estimate water-related efficiency loss of thermal power plants

Estimate unit-level curtailment according to available stream discharge and temperature for each thermal power plant.

Use PREP-SHOT (**P**athways for **R**enewable **E**nergy **P**lanning coupling **S**hort-term **H**ydropower **O**peration) for energy expansion optimization

I. PREPARE INPUTS

Hydropower

- Cascade topology
- Water travel time
- Initial water head
- Initial & Terminal storage
- Natural inflow
- Storage bounds
- Ramping rate

- Outflow bounds
- Output bounds
- Output efficiency
- Stage-Storage curve
- Tailwater rating curve
- Water head loss coefficient

Storage Technology

- Initial & Terminal energy storage level
- Discharging & Charging efficiency
- Power to energy ratio
- Discharging & Charging output bounds

Non-dispatchable Technology (Solar & Wind)

- Capacity factor
- Installed upper bound

Dispatchable Technology (Coal & Nuclear)

- Ramping rate
- Power output bounds
- Carbon dioxide emission per unit of electricity
- Fuel cost per unit of electricity

Transmission Line

- Transmission topology
- Transmission efficiency

Cost-related Parameters

- Discount rate
- Unit investment cost
- Unit fixed Operation and Maintenance (O&M) cost
- Unit variable O&M cost
- Lifetime of technologies and transmission lines
- Capacity-Age relationship

Non-cost Parameters

- Electricity demand
- Planning horizon
- Representative periods
- Time step
- Others (see details in See details in Liu & He, 2023)

II. BUILD MODEL

Objective function

Minimize the cost of the whole energy system

Constraints

- Lifetime constraints
- Carbon emission constraints
- Power balance constraints
- Transmission constraints
- Power output constraints
- Power output variation constraints
- Energy storage constraints
- Water balance constraints
- Reservoir outflow constraints
- Reservoir storage constraints

III. SOLVE MODEL

Software

GUROBI

Algorithms

Simplex method

Interior point method

Benders decomposition method

IV. ANALYZE RESULTS

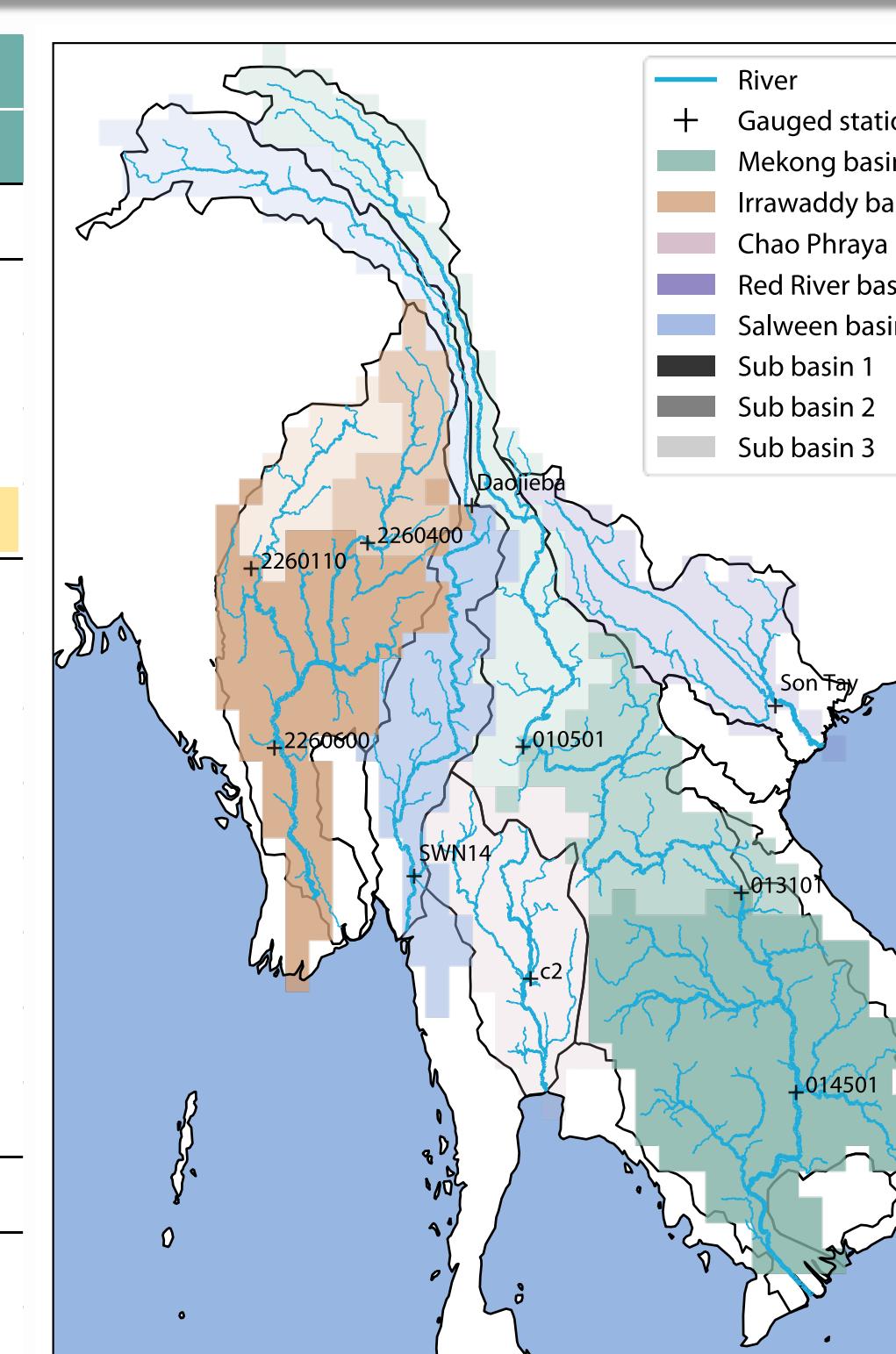
Model output

- Capacity of newly built technology per modelled year per zone
- Capacity of newly built transmission lines per modelled year per zone
- Transmitted power per year between zones
- Generation of each technology and discharging and charging of each storage per modelled year per zone
- Generation flow, withdrawal water flow and spillage flow of each hydropower station per modelled year

PRELIMINARY RESULTS

CALIBRATION & VALIDATION RESULTS

Catchment	Station	Calibration (validation) period	Kling-Gupta efficiency	Nash-Sutcliffe efficiency	Pearson correlation	Root mean square error
Irrawaddy	c2	1975-1990 (1991-2002)	0.59	0.53	0.44	0.27
	2260110	1996-2005 (2006-2010)	0.85	0.81	0.77	0.8
	2260400	1996-2005 (2006-2010)	0.61	0.56	0.54	0.59
	2260120	1996-2005 (2006-2010)	0.73	0.77	0.6	0.68
	2260600	1996-2005 (2006-2010)	0.5	0.48	0.76	0.73
Mekong	10501	1960-1980 (1981-2000)	0.75	0.6	0.67	0.54
	11201	1960-1980 (1981-2000)	0.75	0.7	0.77	0.72
	11903	1967-1980 (1981-2000)	0.79	0.71	0.74	0.65
	13101	1960-1980 (1981-2000)	0.91	0.92	0.83	0.85
	13402	1960-1980 (1981-2000)	0.92	0.93	0.84	0.88
	13801	1966-1980 (1981-2000)	0.89	0.88	0.86	0.86
	13901	1960-1980 (1981-2000)	0.92	0.92	0.86	0.86
Red	14501	1960-1980 (1981-2000)	0.92	0.93	0.87	0.9
	Son Tay	2010-2015 (2016-2019)	0.42	0.32	0.21	0.23
	Daojieba	1982-1983 (1984-1985)	0.86	0.81	0.75	0.77
Salween	SWN14	1998-1999 (2004-2005)	0.73	0.47	0.72	-0.23



NSGA-III + Regional parameterization + ISIMIP3a inputs

Parameter	Min	Max	Initial
Snowmelt coefficient	0.001	0.007	0.003
Crop factor	0.8	3	1.11
Soil depth factor	0.8	1.8	1.28
Preferential bypass flow	0.5	8	4.5
Infiltration capacity parameter	0.01	1	0.19
Interflow factor	0.33	3	2.8
Recession coefficient factor	0.1	10	5.28
Runoff concentration factor	0.1	5	0.1
Channel Manning's n factor	0.1	10	1.86
Normal storage limit	0.15	0.85	0.44
Lake "A" factor	0.33	3	0.33
Lake and river evaporation factor	0.5	3	1.52

FUTURE WORK

Enhance reservoir operation rules to improve streamflow simulations affected by reservoir activities.

Perform energy expansion optimization using the PREP-SHOT model with simulated stream temperature and efficiency loss.

Identify the investment priority for the climate-adaptation planning.

