

Overview about the impact of snow cover images on the improvement of hydrological modelling

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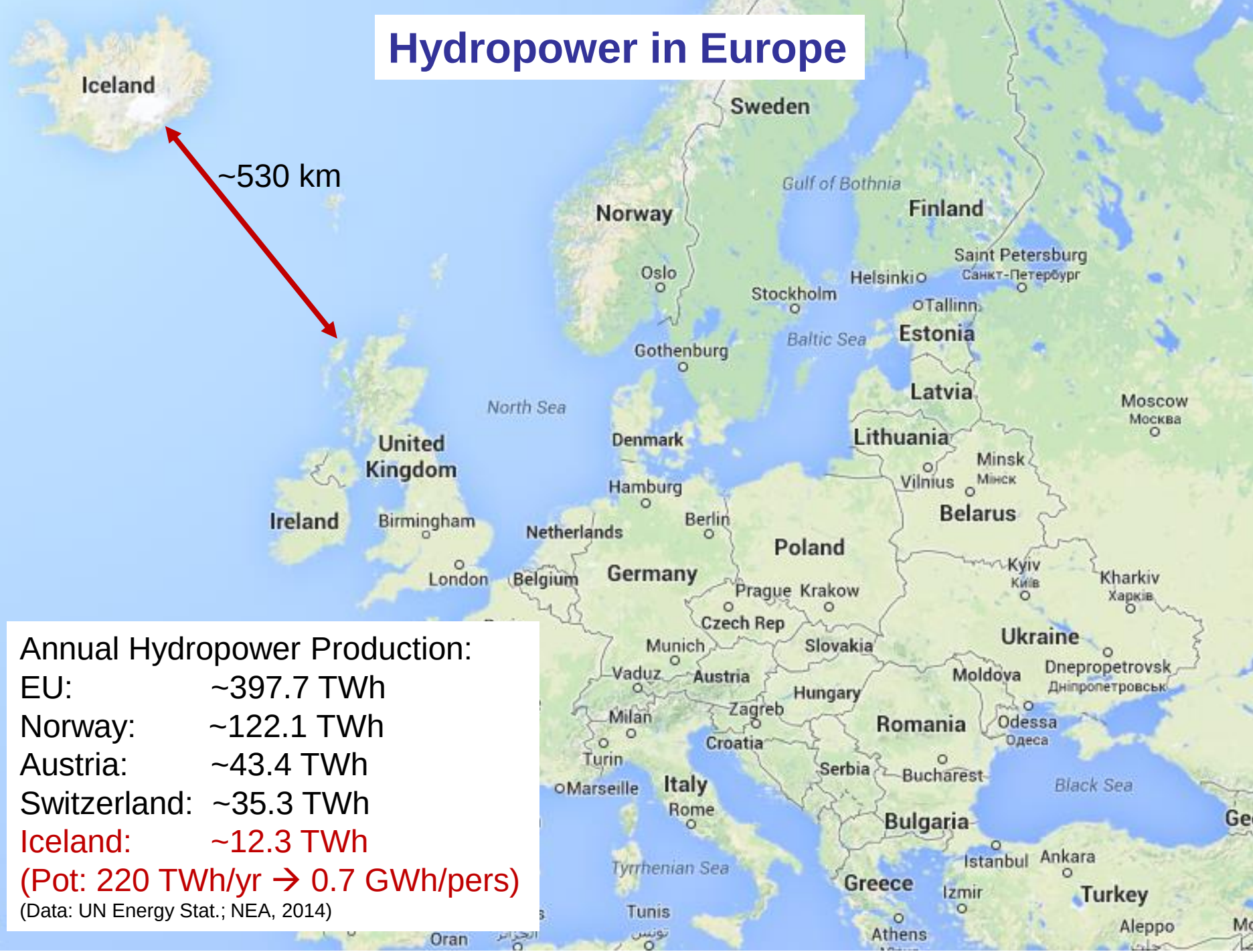
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Hydropower in Europe



Annual Hydropower Production:

EU: ~397.7 TWh

Norway: ~122.1 TWh

Austria: ~43.4 TWh

Switzerland: ~35.3 TWh

Iceland: ~12.3 TWh

(Pot: 220 TWh/yr → 0.7 GWh/pers)

(Data: UN Energy Stat.; NEA, 2014)

Motivation



Objective: Estimate seasonal contribution of snow, glacier and rainfall runoff in mountain streams



Blöndulón á Auðkúluheiði. mbl.is/Einar Falur Ingólfsson

varð til batnaðar í veðrinu í byrjun apríl og í síðustu viku hófst hægfara leysing á hálandinu og rennsli í Tungnaá, Þjórsá og Blöndu jókst.

hægt sé að aflétta skerðingum til stórmotenda, að því er fram kemur í Morgunblaðinu í dag.

Tíðarfarir í vetur hefur verið Landsvirkjun mjög óhagstætt og innrennsli í lónin afbrigðilegt. En breyting

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Sæstrengur verður lagður til Íslands fyrr fremur en síðar



Bjarni Benediktsson, fjármála- og efnahagsráðherra, og Jónas Þór Guðmundsson, stjórnarformaður Landsvirkjunar, helguðu báðir stórum hlutum ræða sinna á ársfundi fyrirtækisins í dag hugmyndum um byggingu sæstrengs til Bretlands. Þeir sammæltust um að um góðan kost gæti verið að ræða, þrátt fyrir að enn sé þörf á að skoða ýmsar hliðar málsins betur. Þá sagði Hörður Arnarsson, forstjóri Landsvirkjunar, að sá tímunktur muni

koma að sæstrengur verði lagður til Evrópu, og að strengur yrði einnig lagður til Bandaríkjanna fyrr fremur en síðar.

Jónas sagði Landsvirkjun mikilvægt að auka fjölbreytni í hópi viðskiptavina, en markvisst hafi verið unnið að því markmiði um nokkurra ára skeið. Erlend fyrirtæki sjái Ísland sem álitlegan kost fyrir

BoConcept
Urban Danish Design

Frábær kaup
á vandaðri danskri hönnun

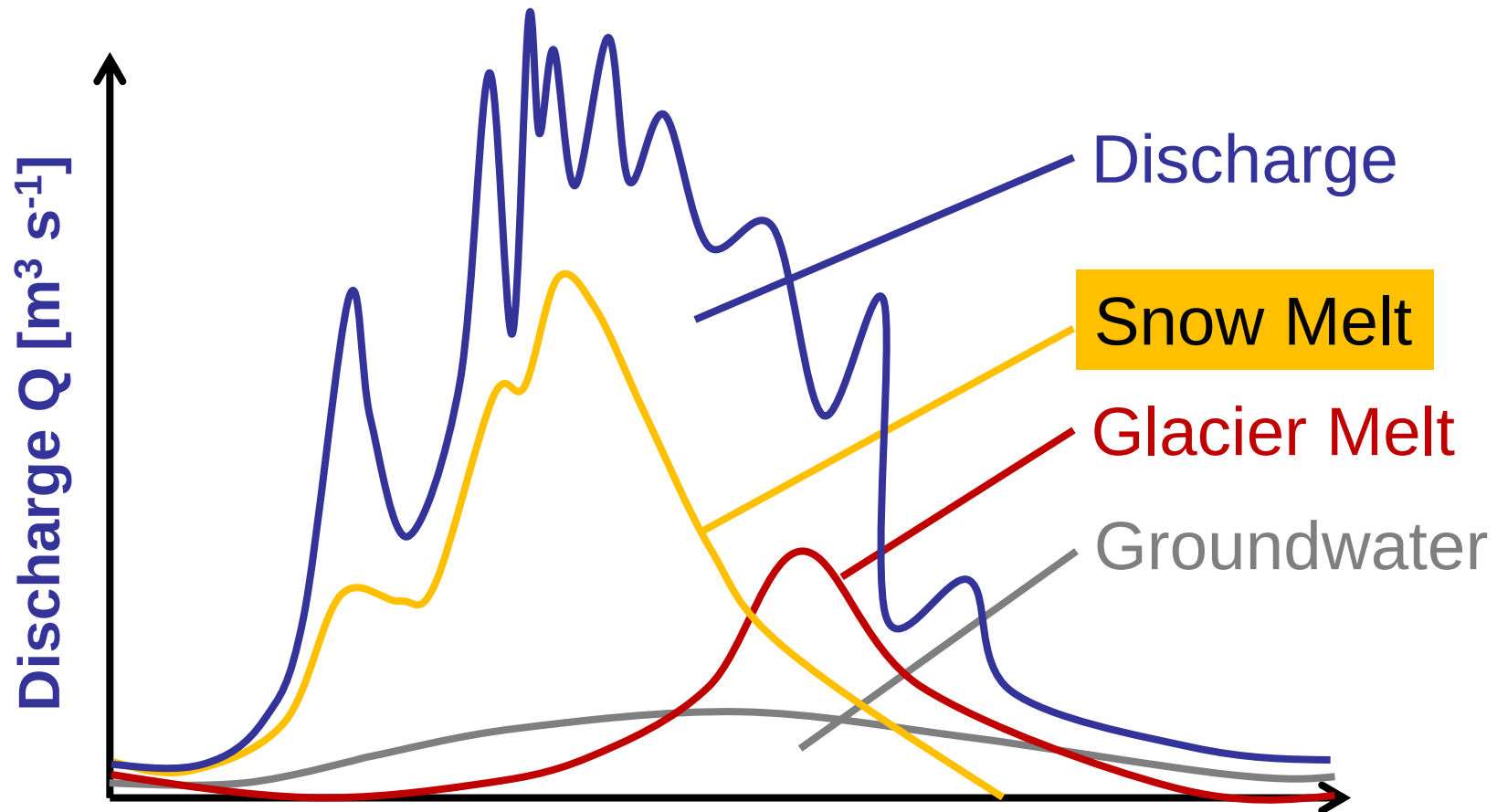


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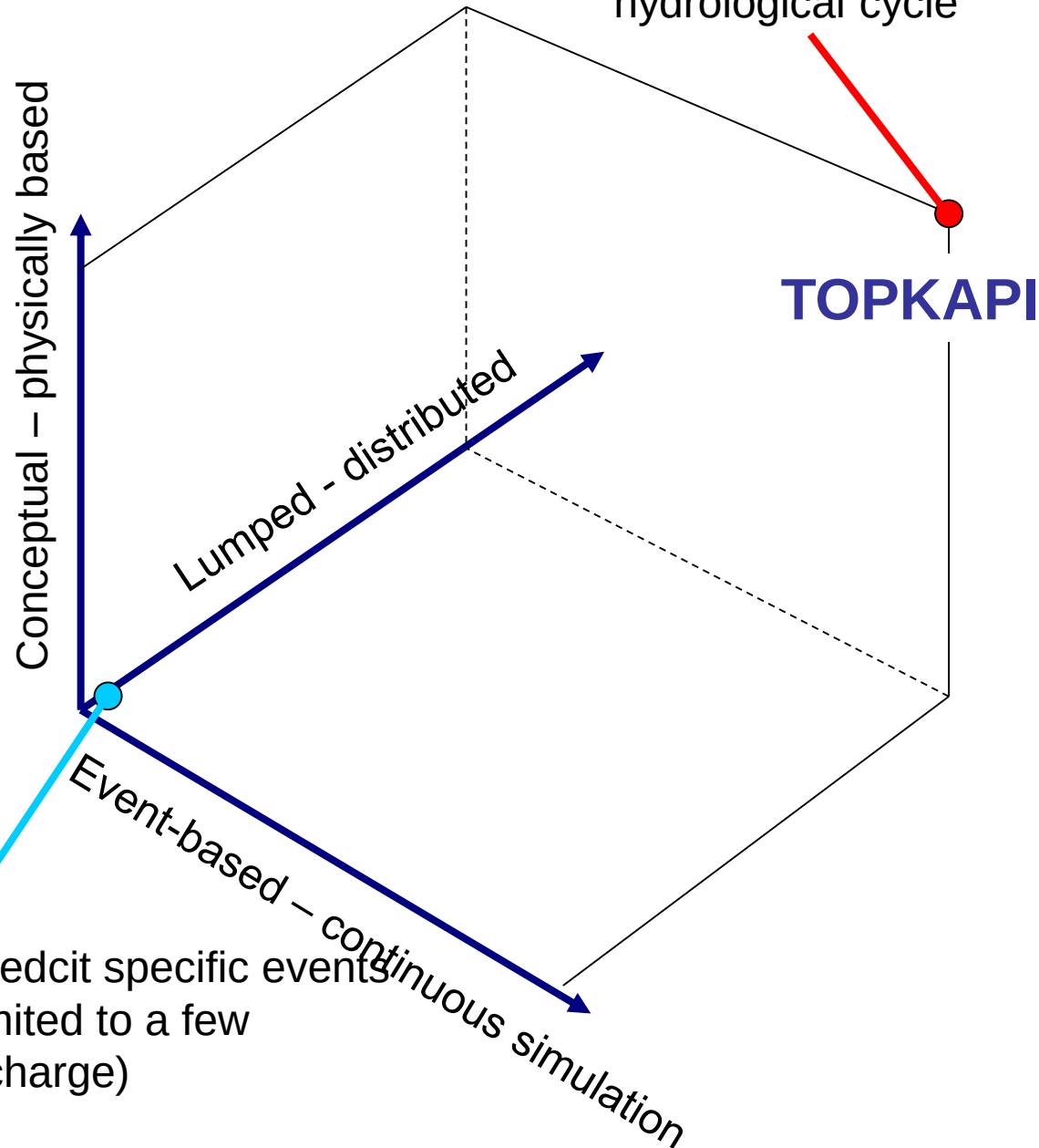
Flugmenn hafa undirritað nýjan kjarasamning

Objective: How much Snow- Glacier and Rain Runoff is available for Hydropower Production



Model Complexity

Complex models: which can compute numerous variables related to the hydrological cycle



Simple Models: predict specific events and are usually limited to a few variables (e.g. discharge)

TOPKAPI

1. Clear sky irradiance

$$I_{csG\downarrow i} = f(\theta_s, \delta, Tr, \nabla_{slope}, A_{cell}, lat)$$

3. Albedo

$$\alpha_{snow(i)} = Alb_{f1} - Alb_{f2} \cdot \log_{10}(T_{acc(i)})$$

2. Cloud factor

$$cf_{j(i)} = c_1 + c_2 \cdot \Delta T_{j(i)}$$

4. Snow and Ice melt

$$M_i = TF \cdot T_i + SRF \cdot I_{G\downarrow i} \cdot (1 - \alpha_i)$$

5. Snow and Ice reservoir

$$Q_t = Q_{t-1} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{1}{k}\right) + \left(1 - \exp\left(-\frac{1}{k}\right)\right) \cdot V_{New(t)}$$

6. 2 Soil layers



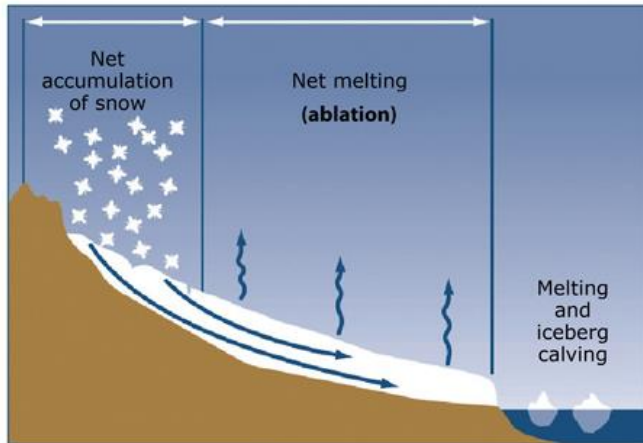
Multi-Variable calibration according to Finger et al. 2011



Discharge (**Q**)

- 10 min resolution
- Rhone valley

$$R^2 = 1 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (Q_{i,obs} - Q_{i,sim})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (Q_{i,obs} - \overline{Q_{i,obs}})^2}$$



Mass Balances (**MB**)

- Every 100 m altitude
- 1900 to present
- → For Gletsch: 2 values per year
- (winter and summer)

$$RMSE_{MB} = \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^m (MB_{j,obs} - MB_{j,sim})^2}$$

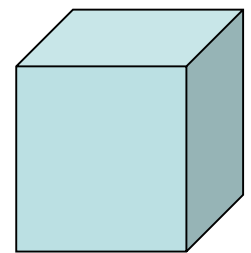


MODIS snow cover data (**SC**)

- Twice a day (TERRA and AQUA)
- 500 m resolution
- Entire world

$$CPSC = \frac{C_{corr}}{C_{tot} - C_{missing}}$$

Stochastic Calibration: Monte Carlo Simulations (Finger et al., 2011)



1. Run 10'000 plausible parameter sets

2. Assessment of performance

$$R^2 = 1 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (Q_{i,obs} - Q_{i,sim})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (Q_{i,obs} - \overline{Q_{i,obs}})^2}$$

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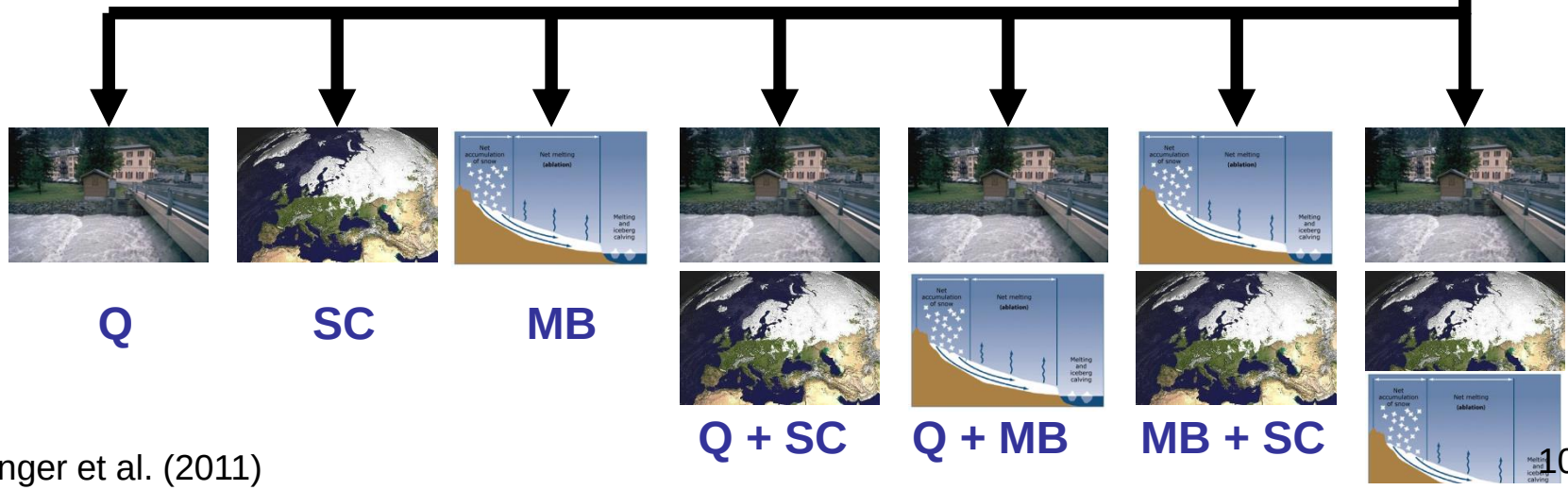
3. Ranking of parameter sets according to the 3 criteria



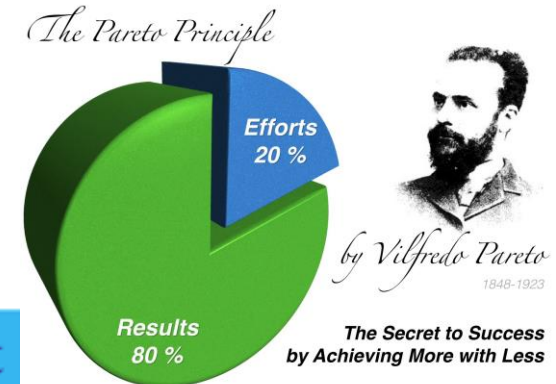
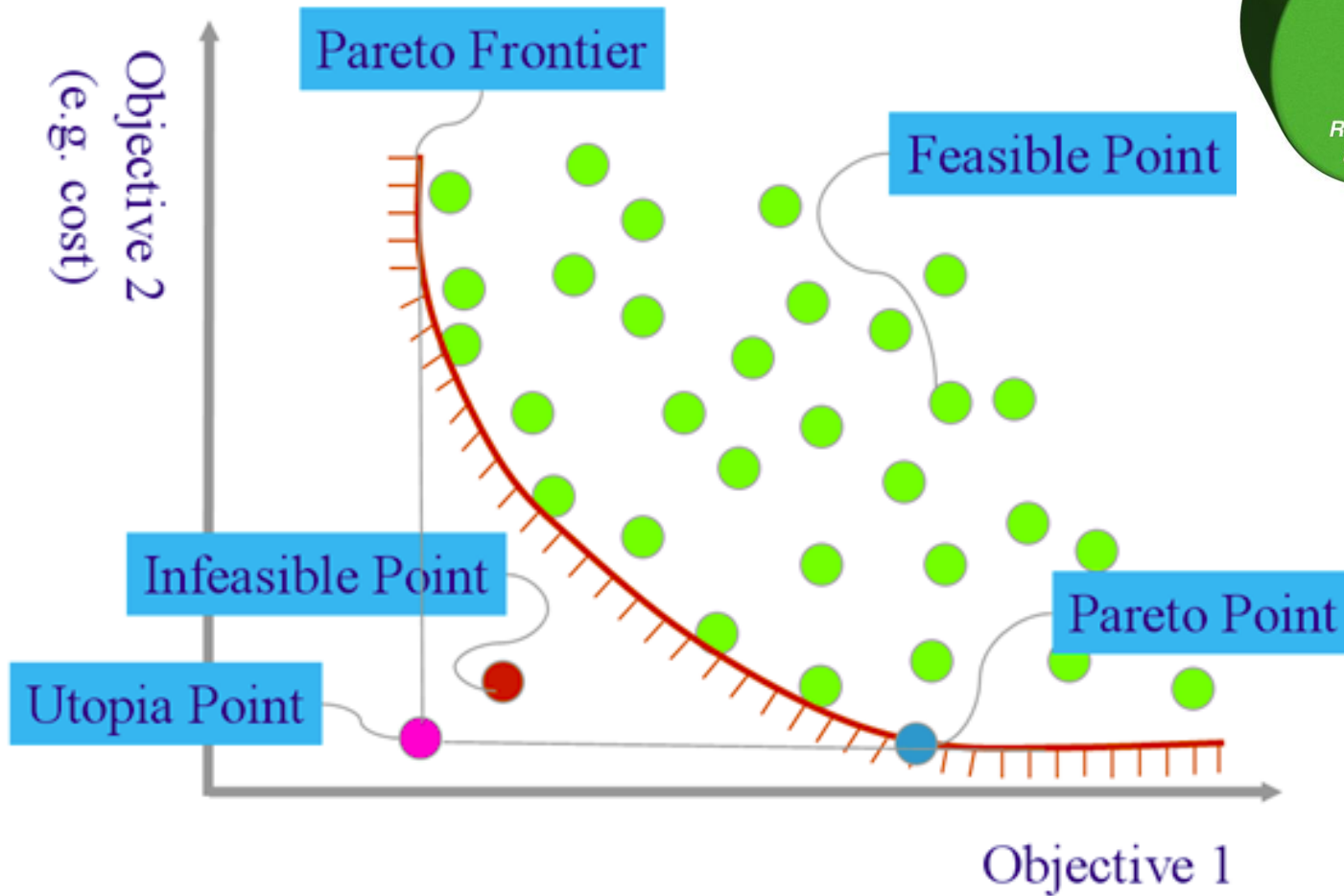
4. Determination of the ranking value

5. Overall performance = average of P_r^i

$$P_r^i = \frac{(N + 1) - Rank_r^i}{N}$$

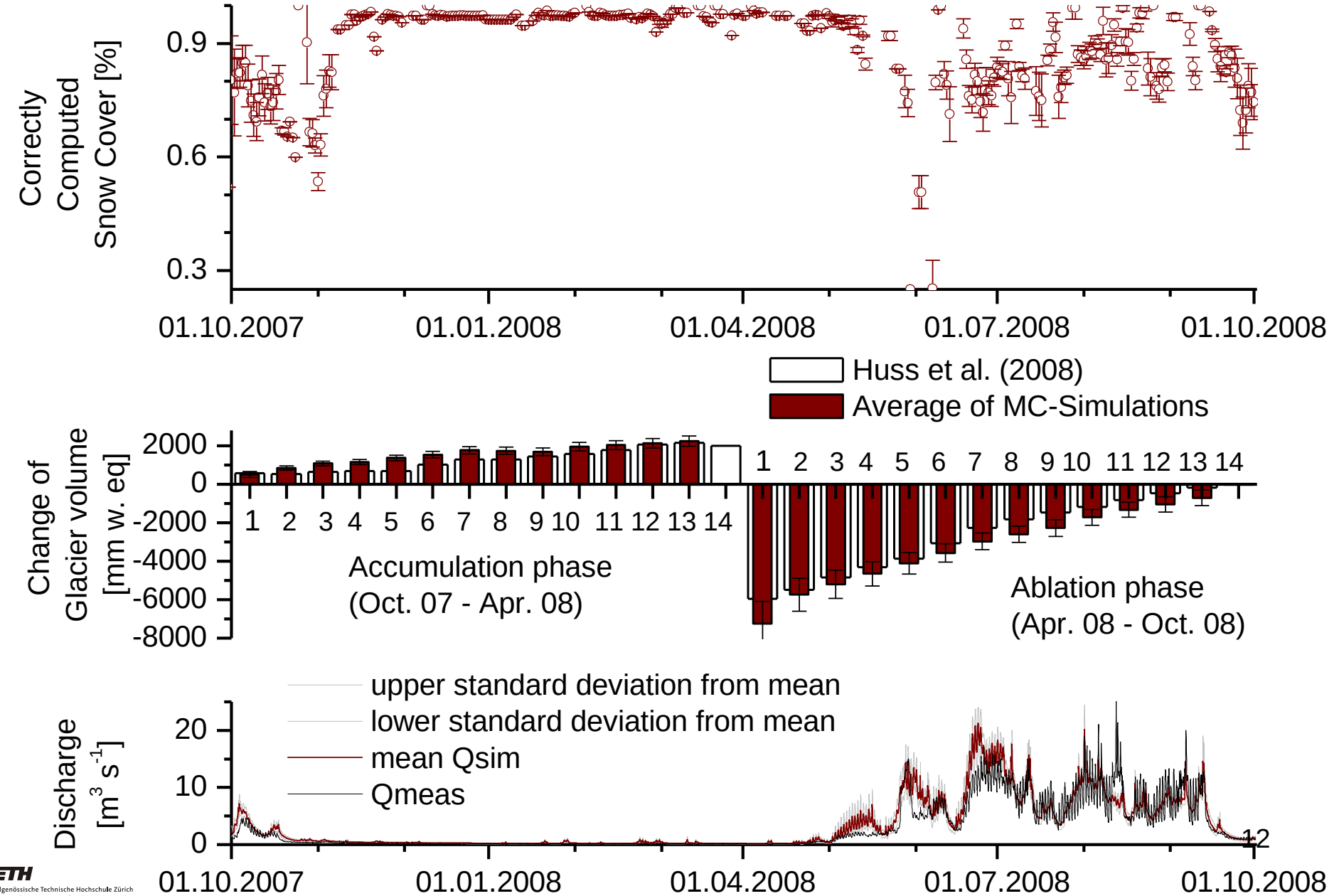


Multiple dataset calibration: Pareto Frontier

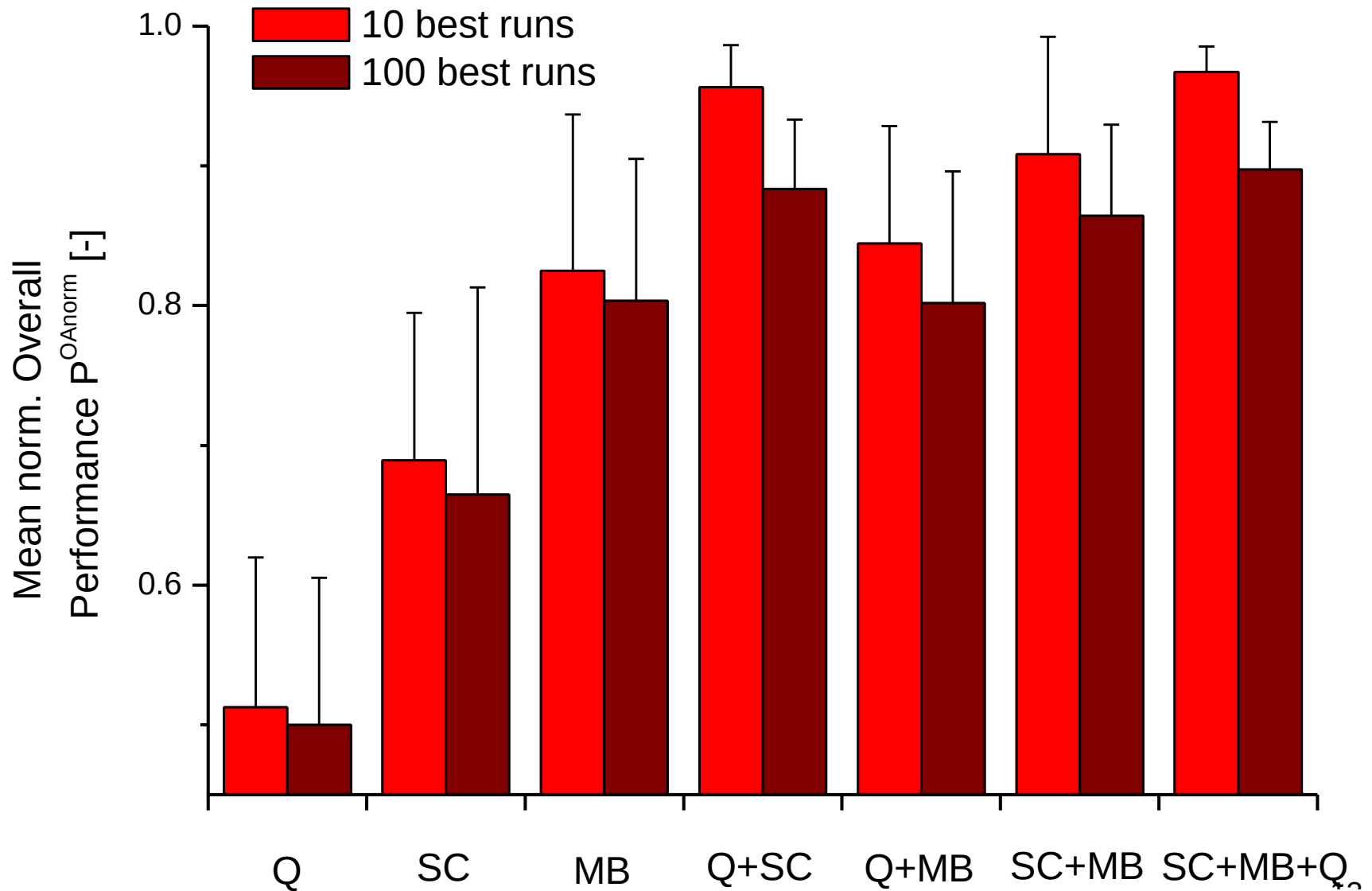


- 80% of the effects come from 20% of the causes.
- 80% of the land in Italy was owned by 20% of the population
- 20% of the peapods in his garden contained 80% of the peas

Results of snow cover, mass balances and discharge of the 100 best MC runs



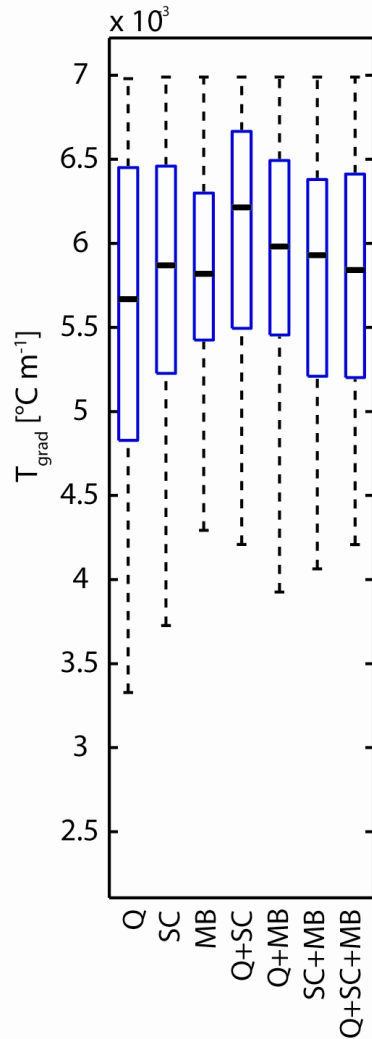
Mean overall performance defined by the average empirical probability



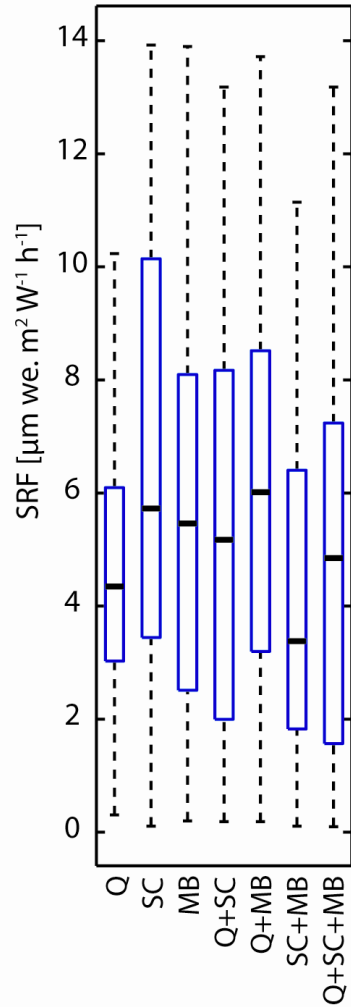
Finger et al. (2011), WRR

Parameter constraint

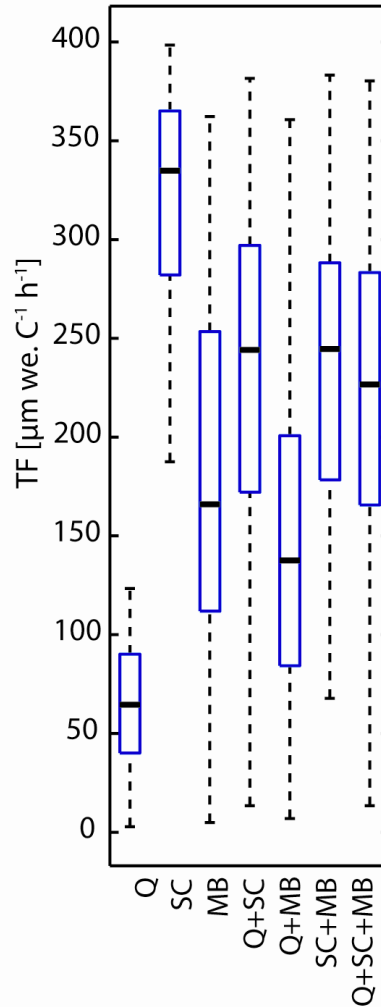
a) Temperature gradient



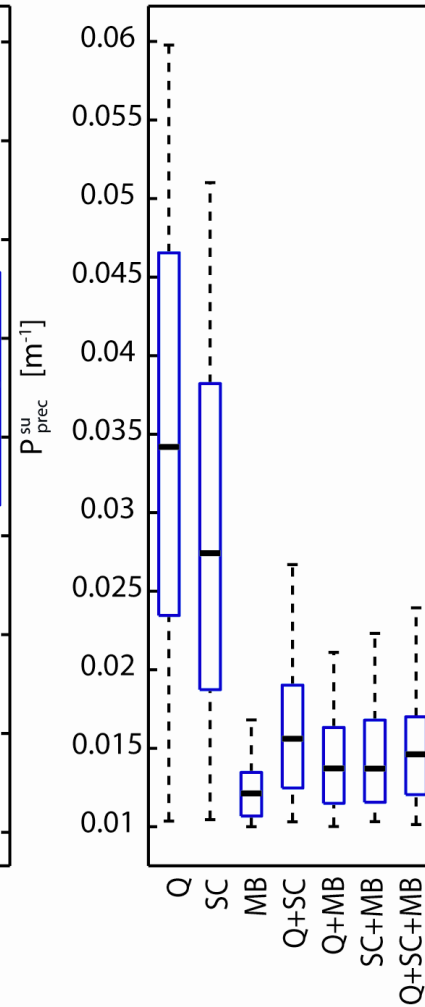
b) Short radiation Factor



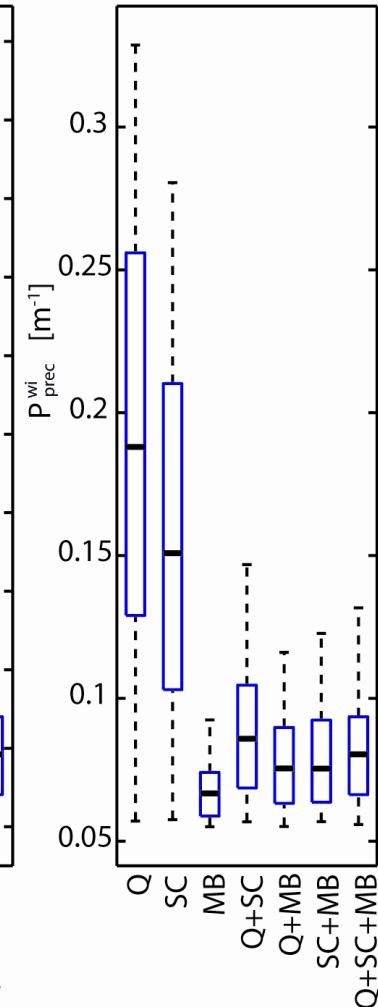
c) Temperature Factor



d) Precipitation gradient in summer

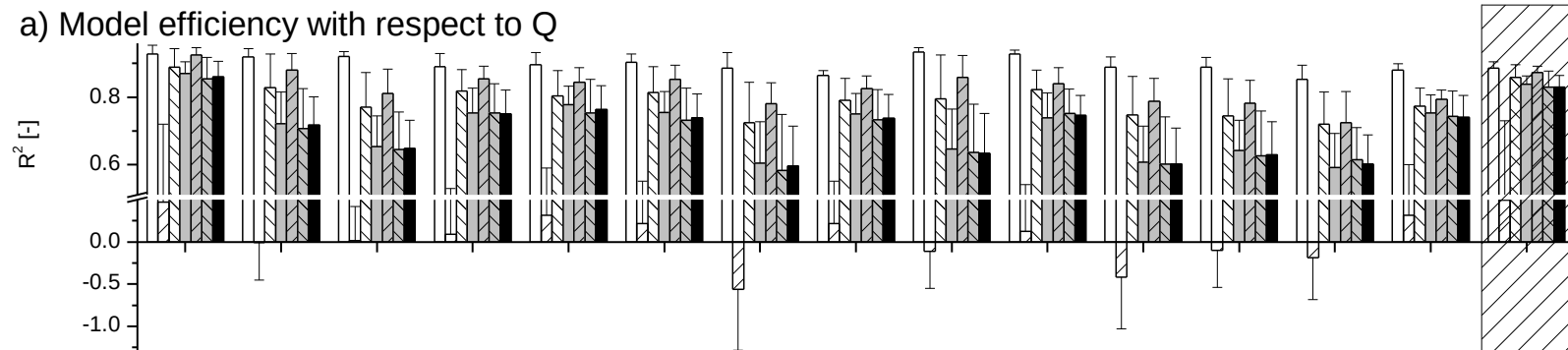


e) Precipitation gradient in summer

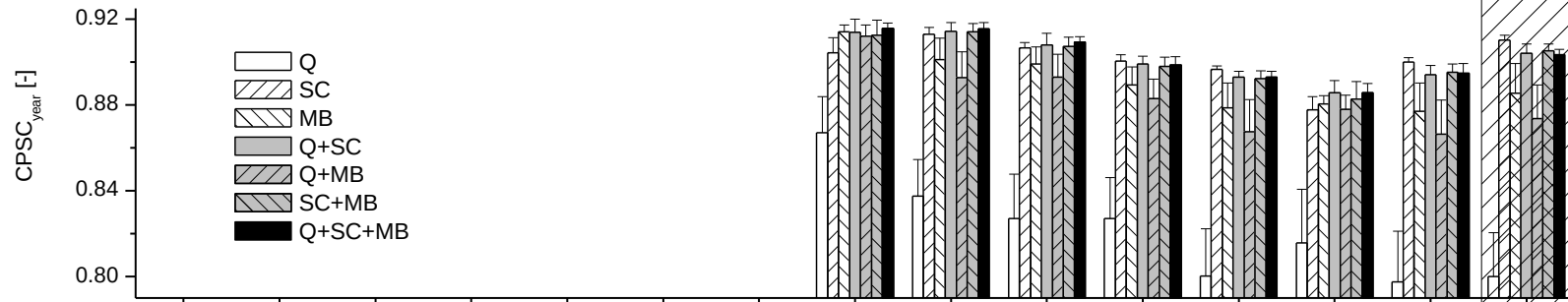


Validation of results

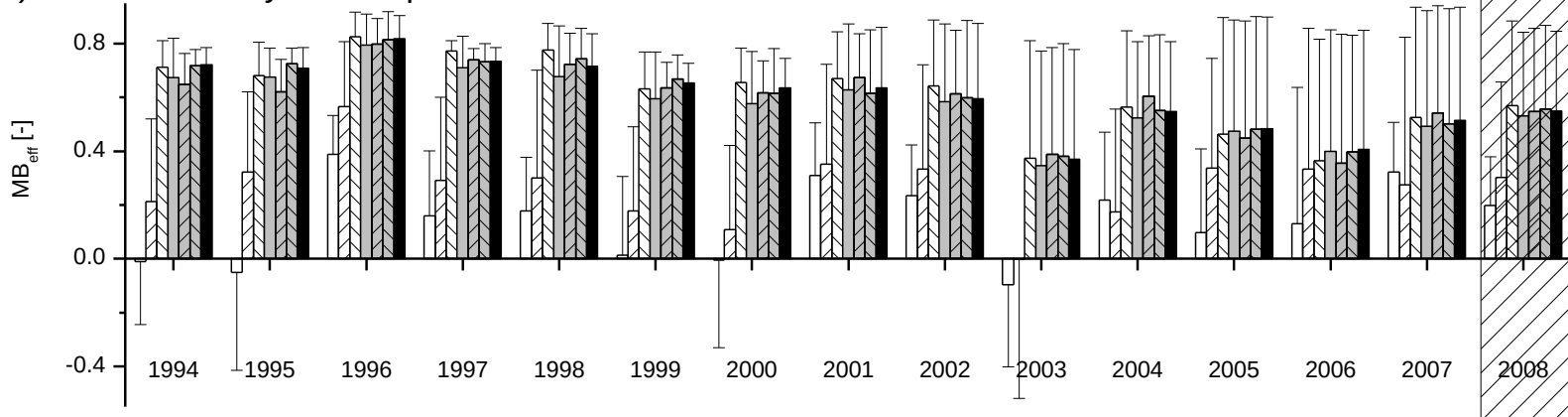
a) Model efficiency with respect to Q



b) Model efficiency with respect to SC

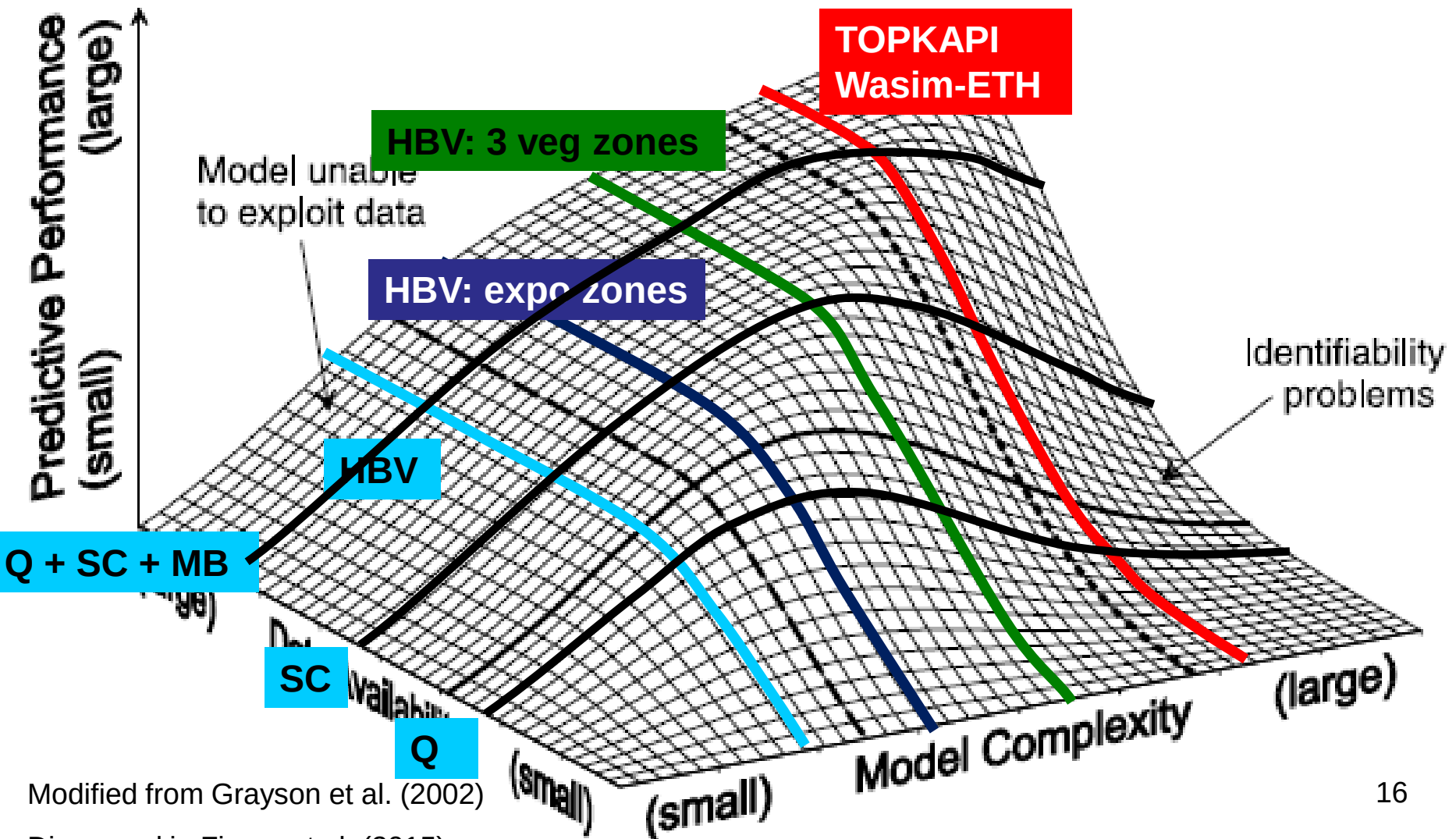


c) Model efficiency with respect to MB



We tested

- 4 model complexities (HBV and Topkapi Versions)
- Used discharge (Q), snow cover images (SC) and mass balances (MB) for calibration

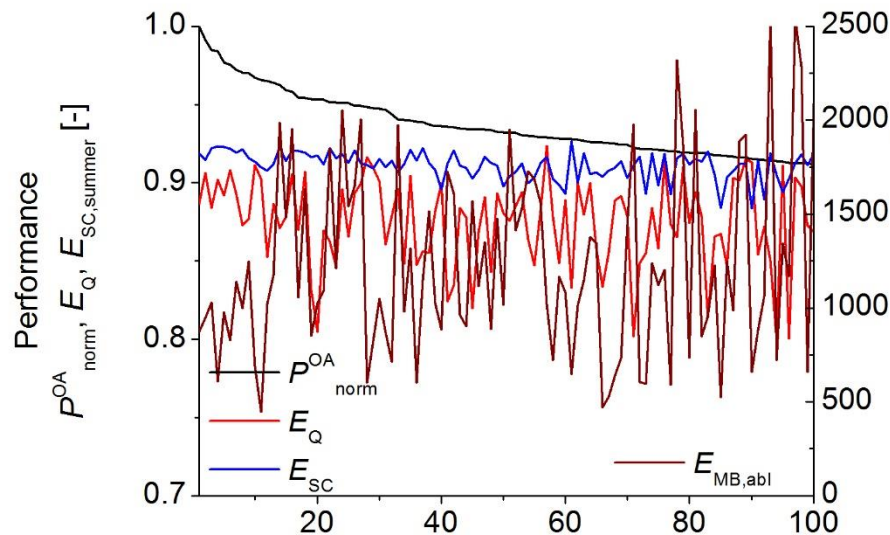


Modified from Grayson et al. (2002)

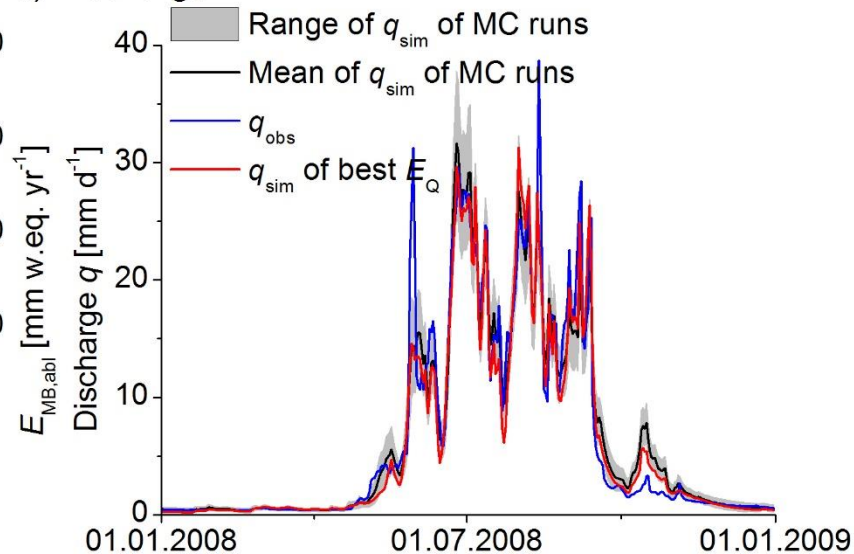
Discussed in Finger et al. (2015)

Results of the 100 best runs from 10'000 MC runs

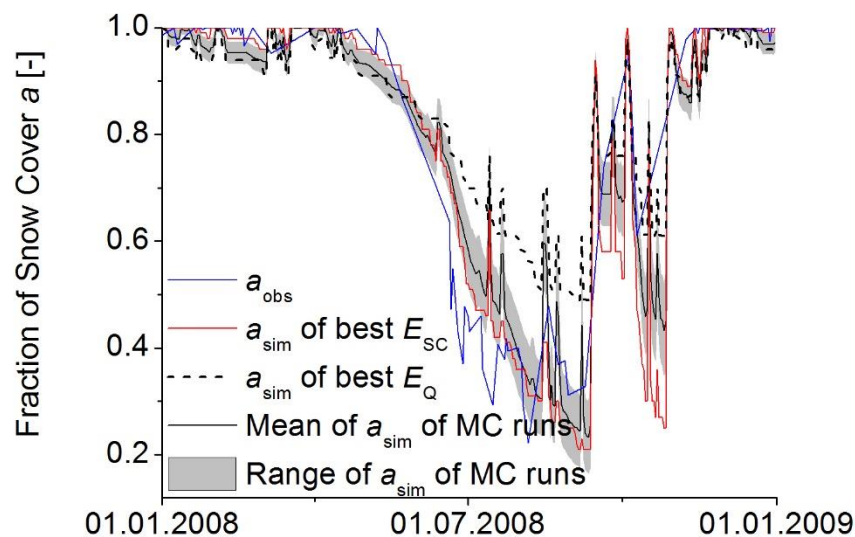
a) Performance of runs



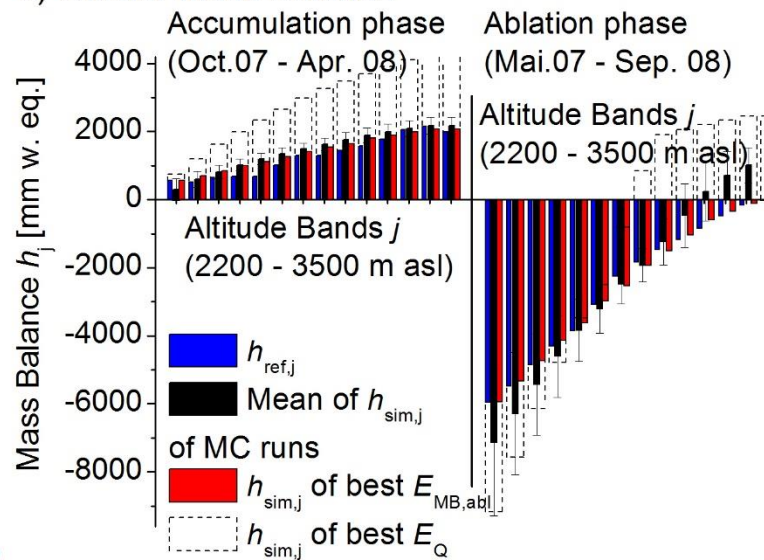
b) Discharge



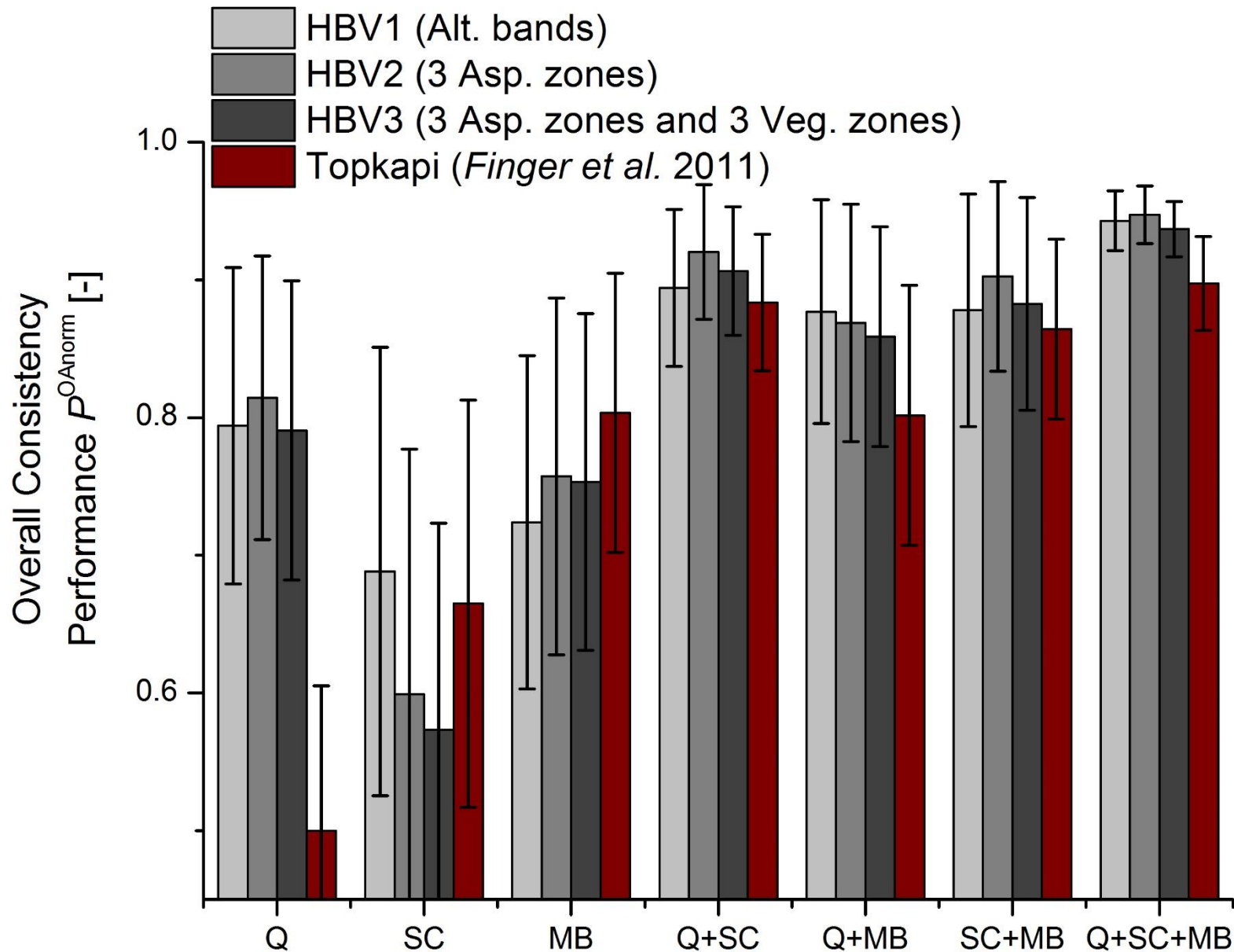
c) Ratio of Snow Cover Area



d) Glacier Mass Balance

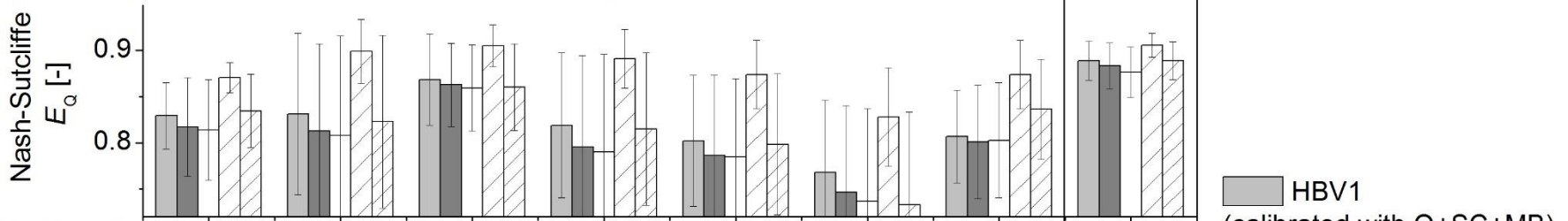


Overall consistency performance of the 4 models

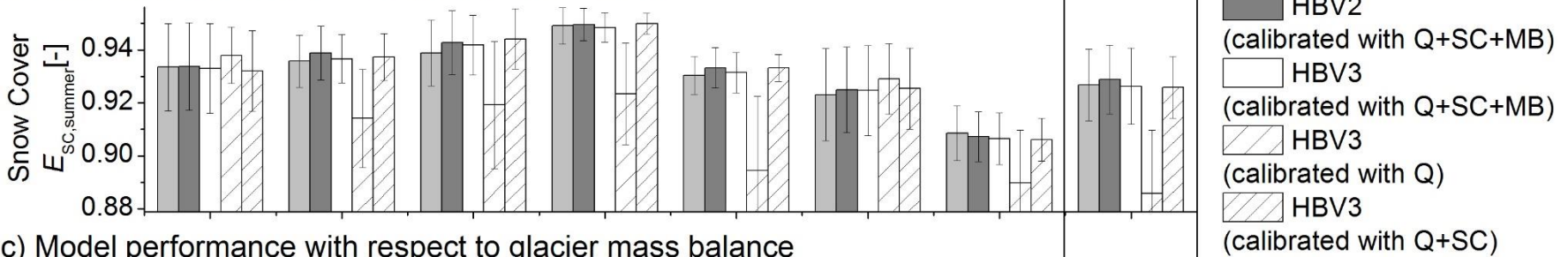


Validation of model performance for a 8-year period

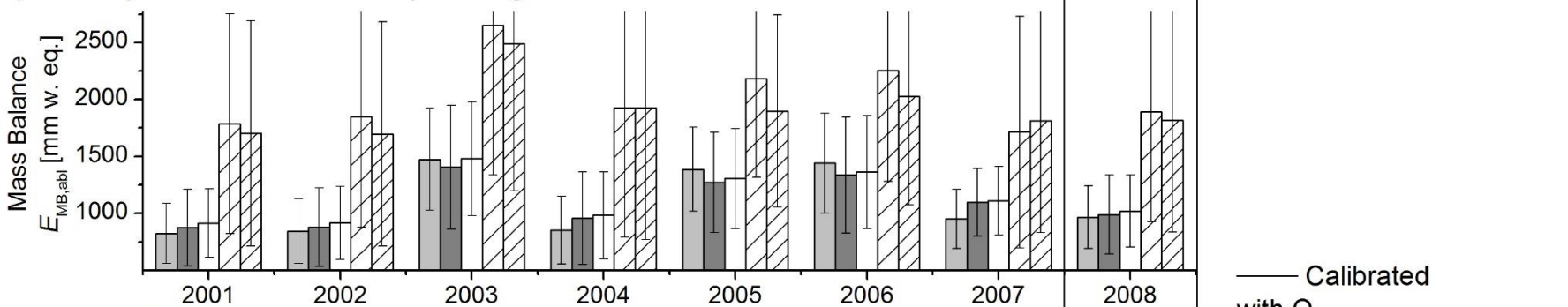
a) Model performance with respect to discharge



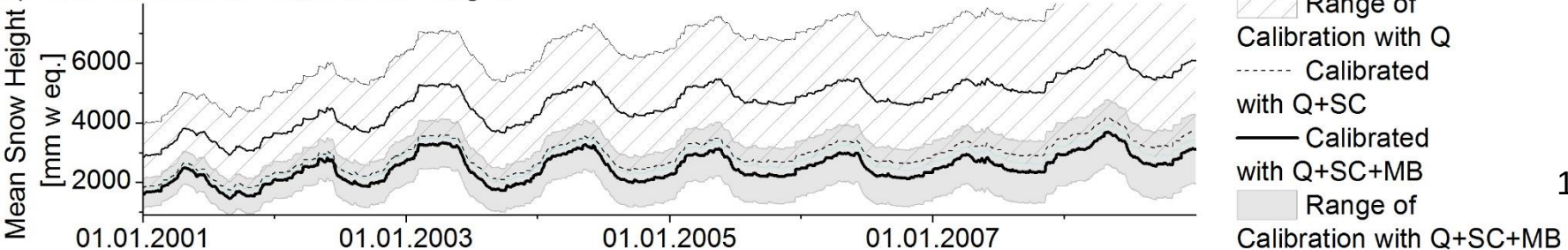
b) Model performance with respect to snow cover



c) Model performance with respect to glacier mass balance

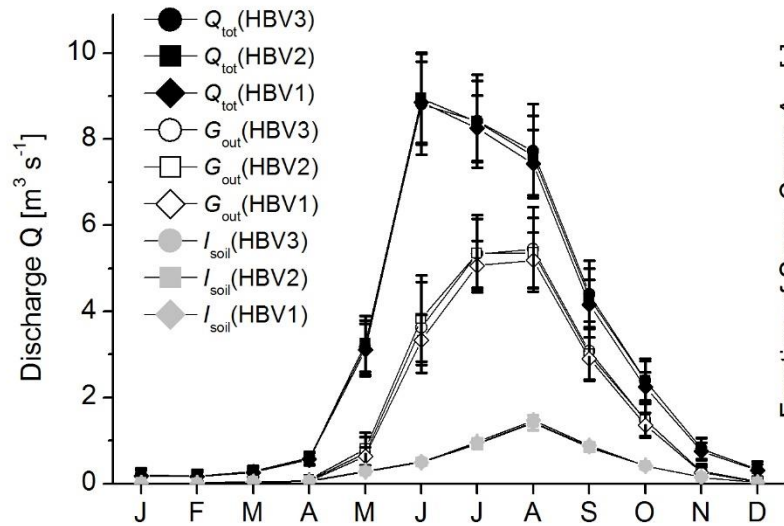


d) Accumulation of mean snow height

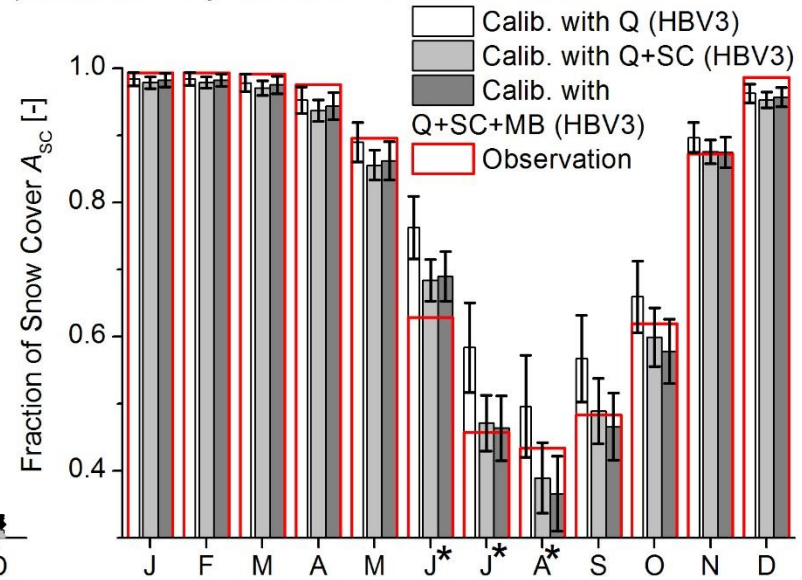


Effects of Model complexity and data availability on results

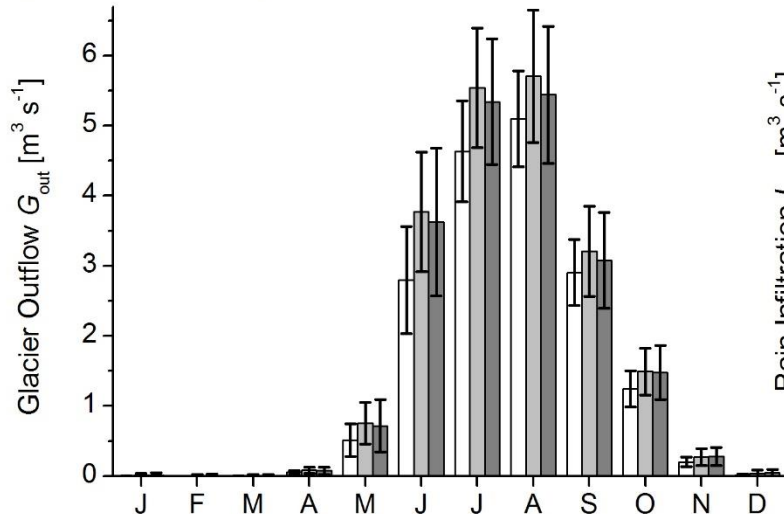
a) Runoff contribution by different models



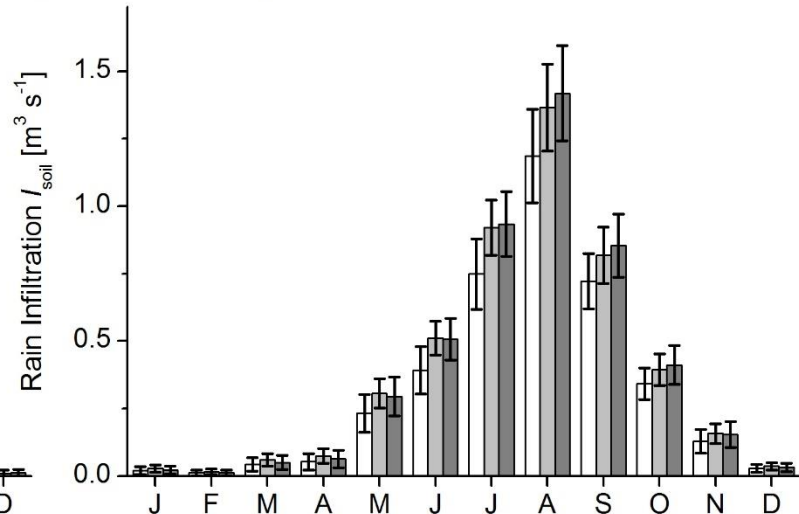
b) Snow Cover by HBV3 with different calibration sets



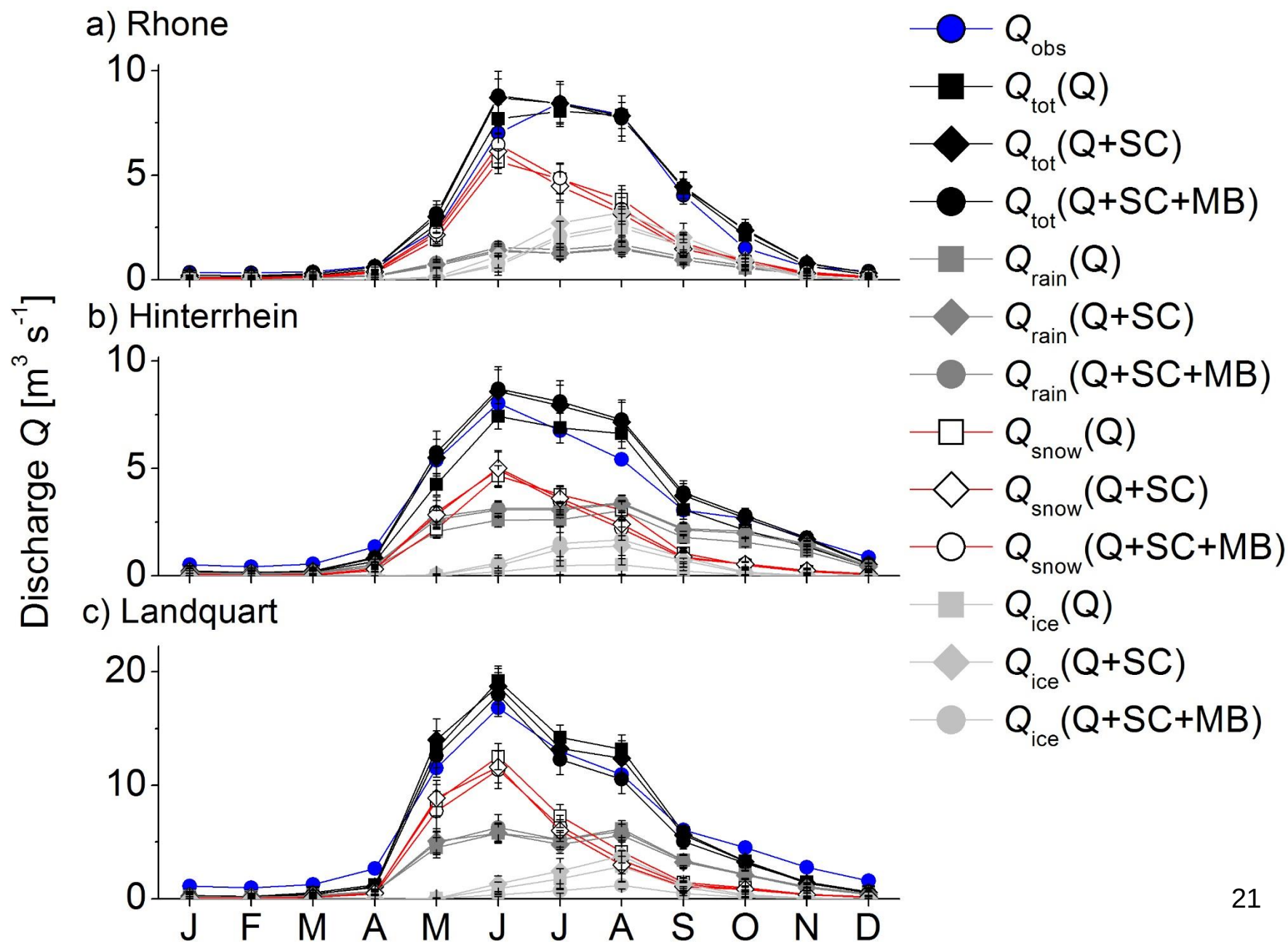
c) Glacier Outflow by HBV3 with different calibration sets



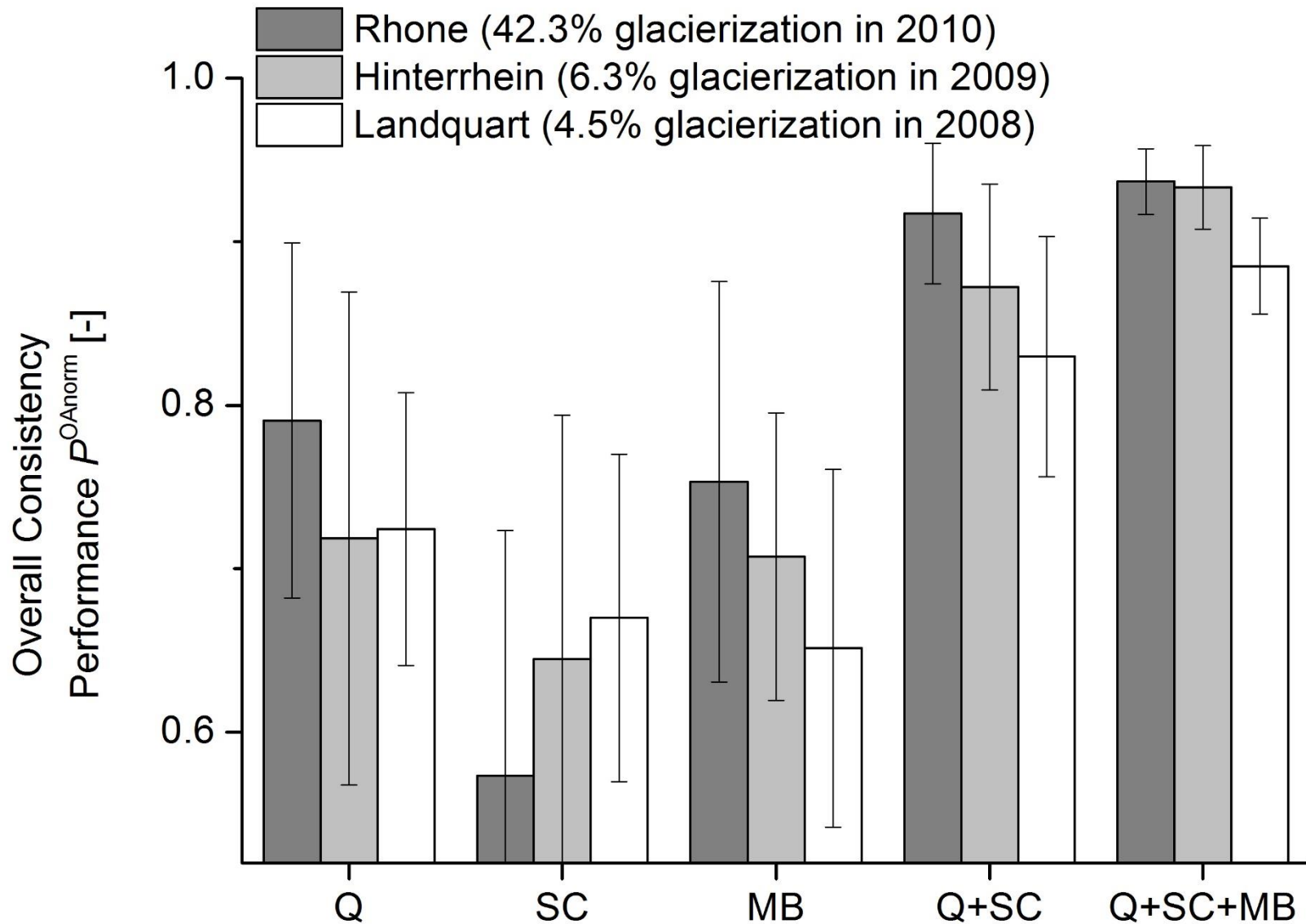
d) Rain infiltration by HBV3 with different calibration sets



Final Result: Snow-, Rain- and Glacier-Water in the Rhone



Overall consistency performance for all three study sites



Case study: Projections of climate change impacts on hydropower production



Study site: Vispa Valley

Characteristics

Water shed : 778 km²

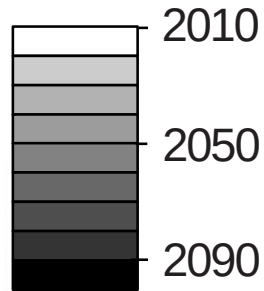
Lowest altitude: ~659 m asl

Highest altitude: ~4634 m asl

Glaciations: ~29.5%

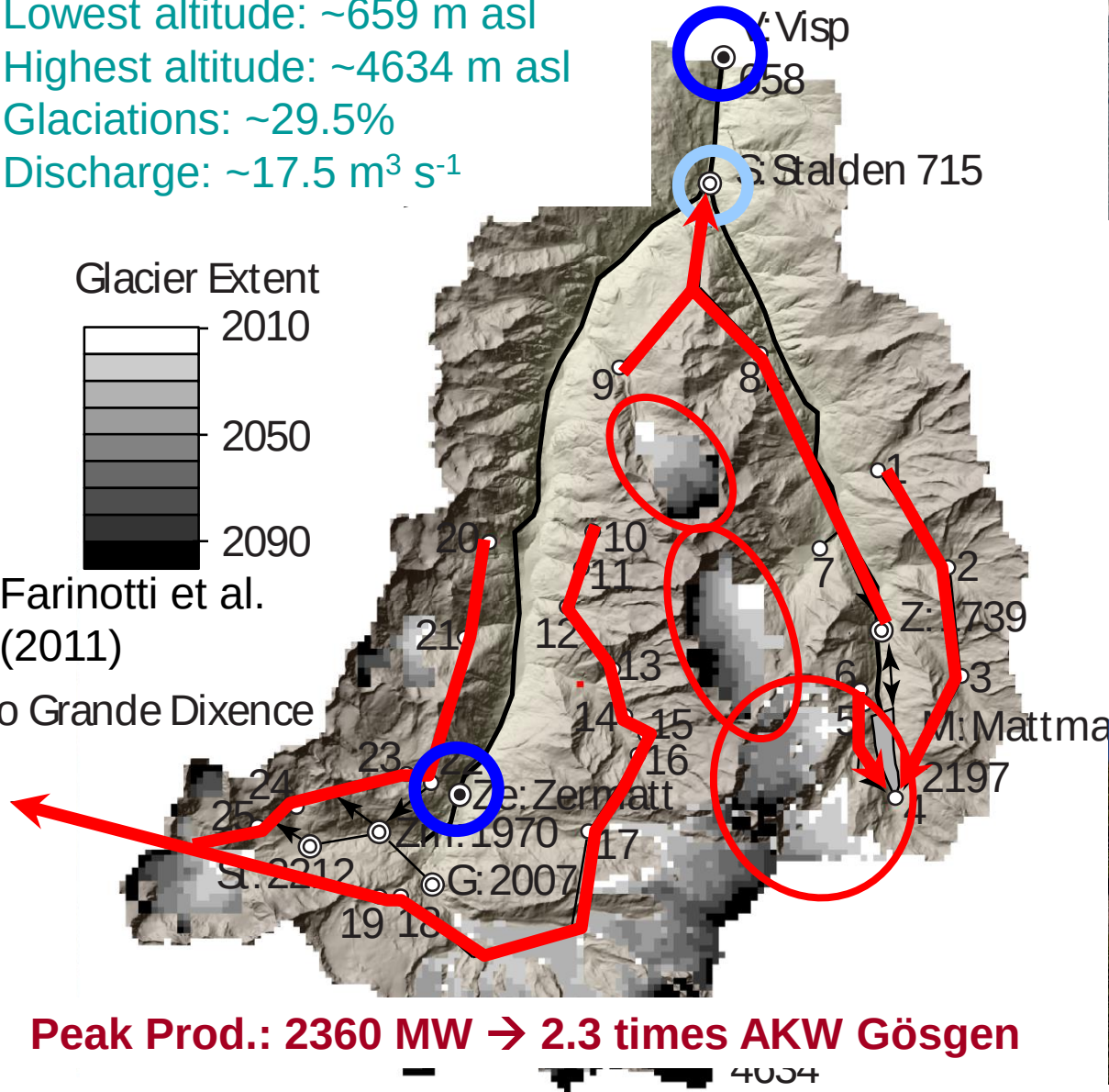
Discharge: ~17.5 m³ s⁻¹

Glacier Extent



Farinotti et al.
(2011)

to Grande Dixence



Peak Prod.: 2360 MW → 2.3 times AKW Gösgen

Gornergletscher: 68 km²



Mattmarksee: 101Mio m³



Stalden: 635 GWh yr⁻¹



Model Validation: 2001 - 2008

Input to Reservoir
 $R^2 = 0.77$

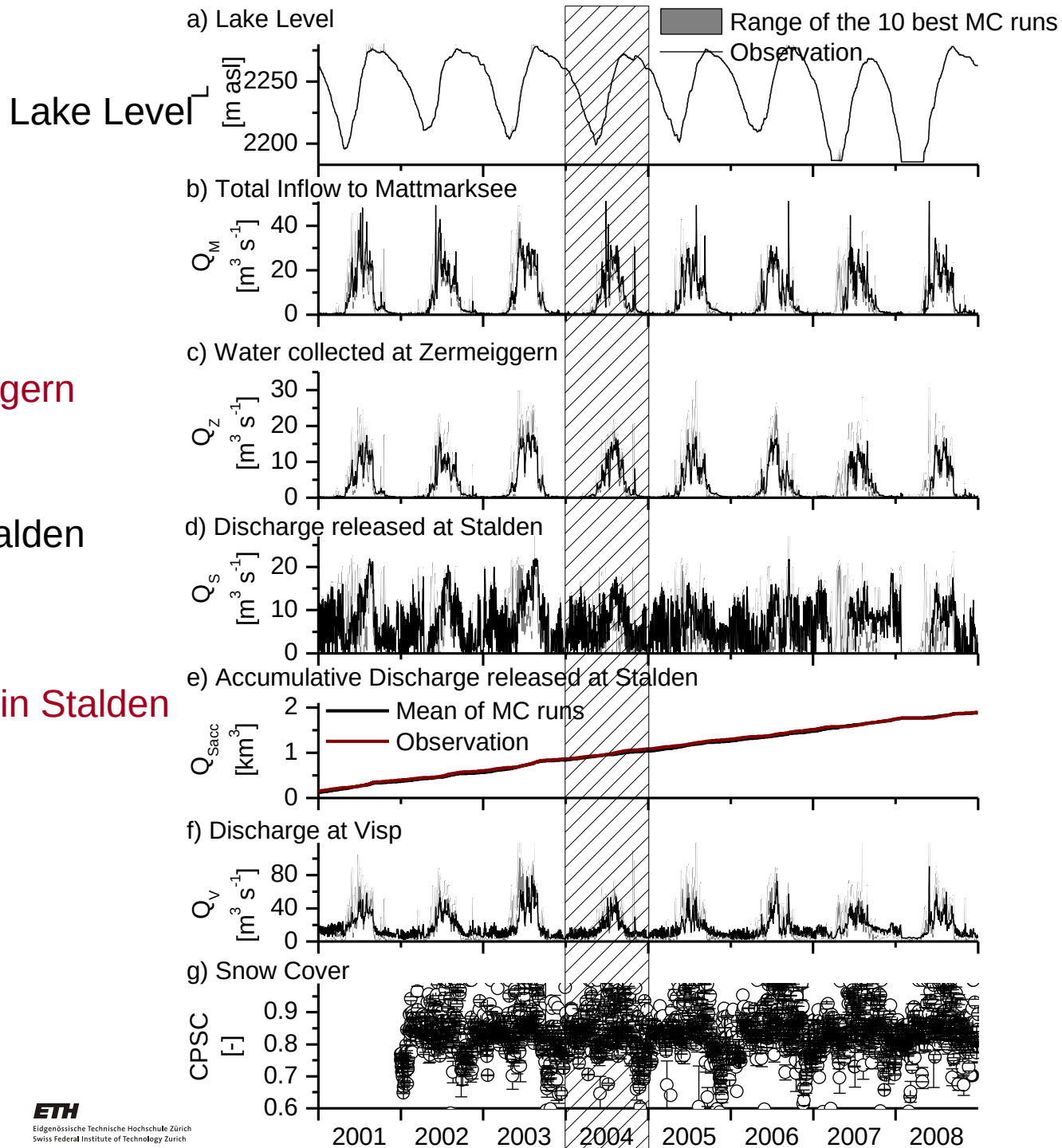
Natural runoff at Zermeigern
 $R^2 = 0.71$

Discharge released in Stalden

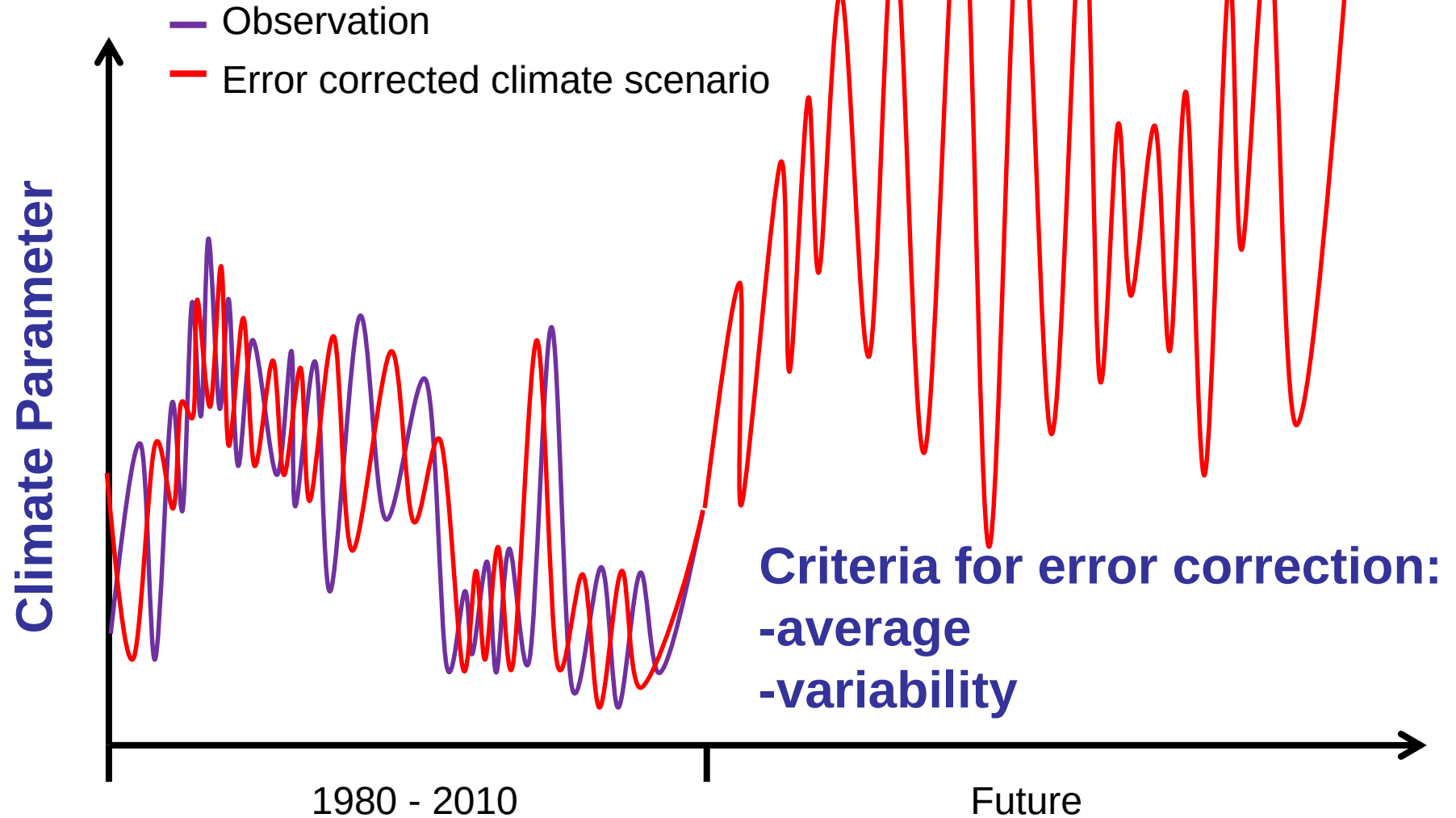
Acc. Discharge released in Stalden
 $RVE = 0.004$

Discharge in Visp
 $RVE = -0.18$

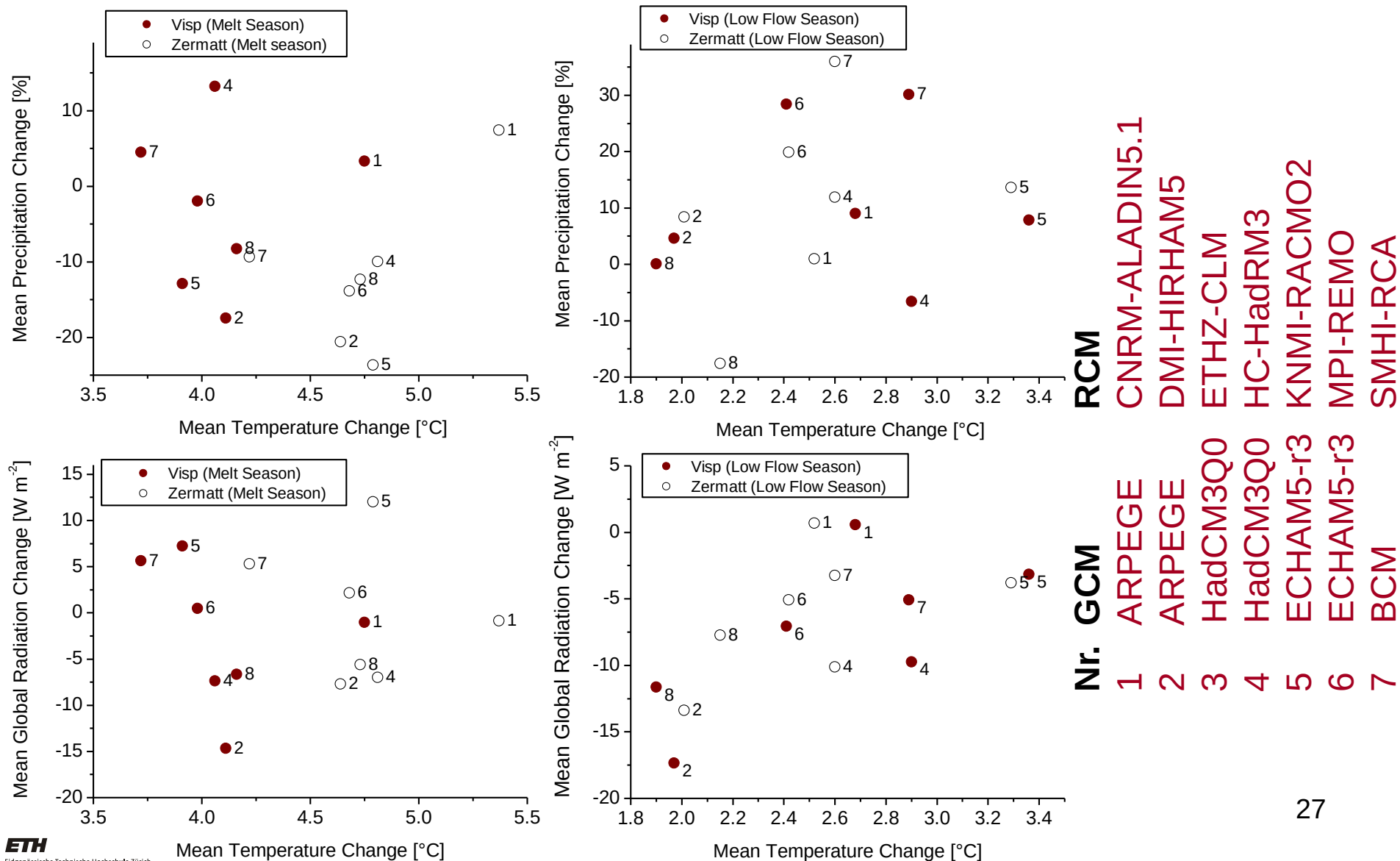
Correctly computed
snow cover
Ratio = 0.83



Climate Scenarios: The Quantile Mapping (QM) approach

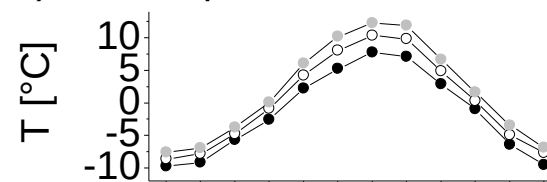


Seven Climate Scenarios from the ENSEMBLE project: Delta Signal between 2071/2098 and 1992/2019

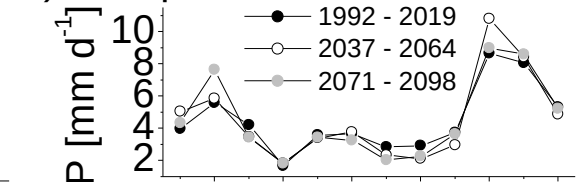


Mean of projected changes based on 210 simulations

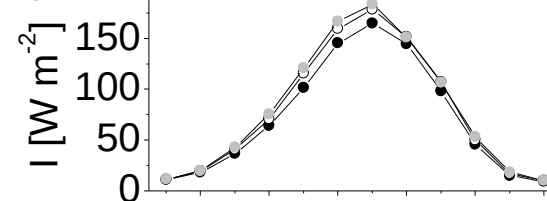
a) Air Temperature



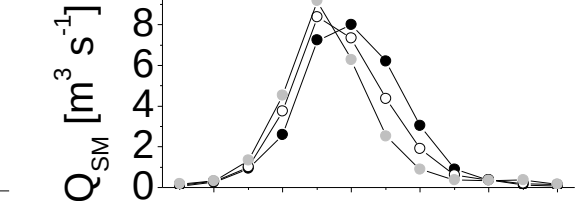
b) Precipitation



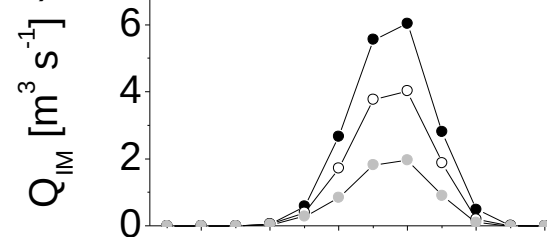
c) Global Radiation



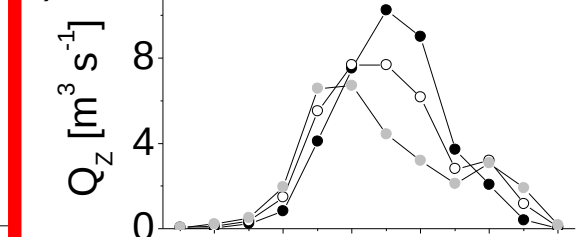
d) Snow Melt



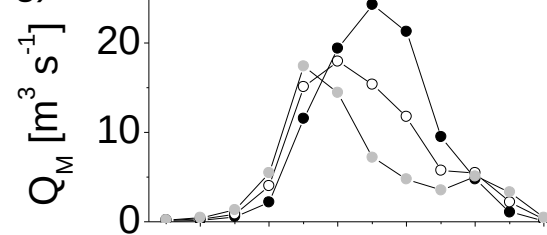
e) Ice Melt



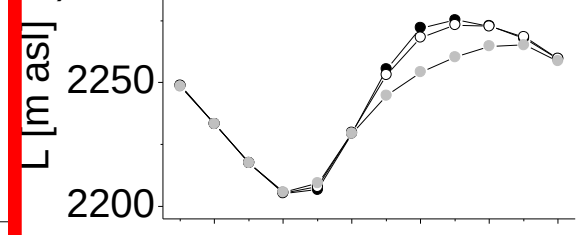
f) Water collected at Z



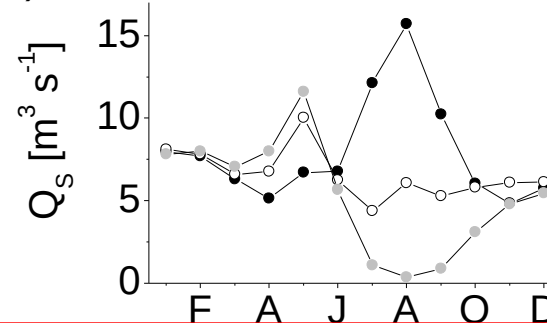
g) Total Inflow to Mattmarksee



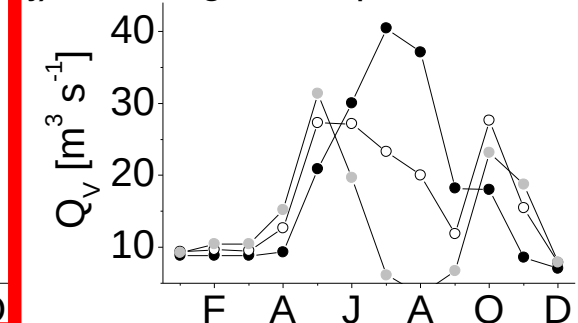
h) Lake Level



i) Water Release in Stalden

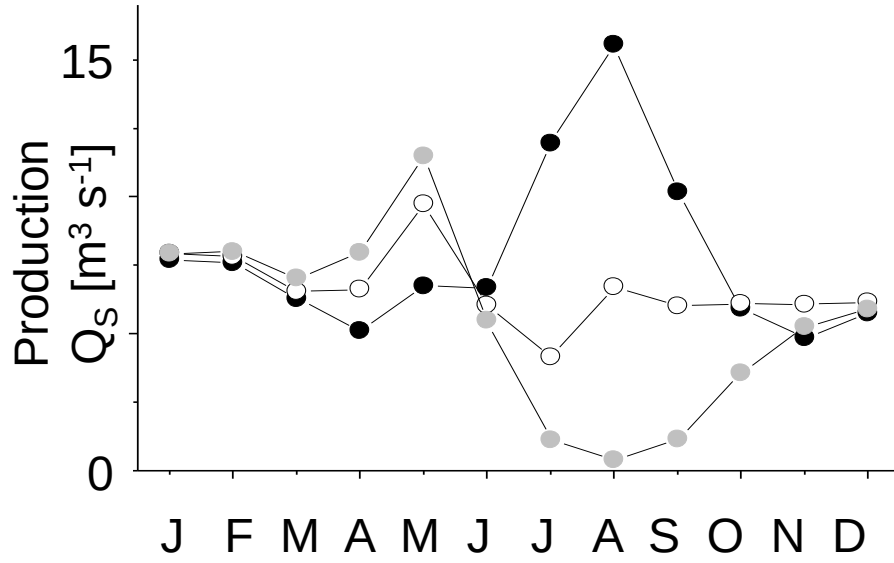
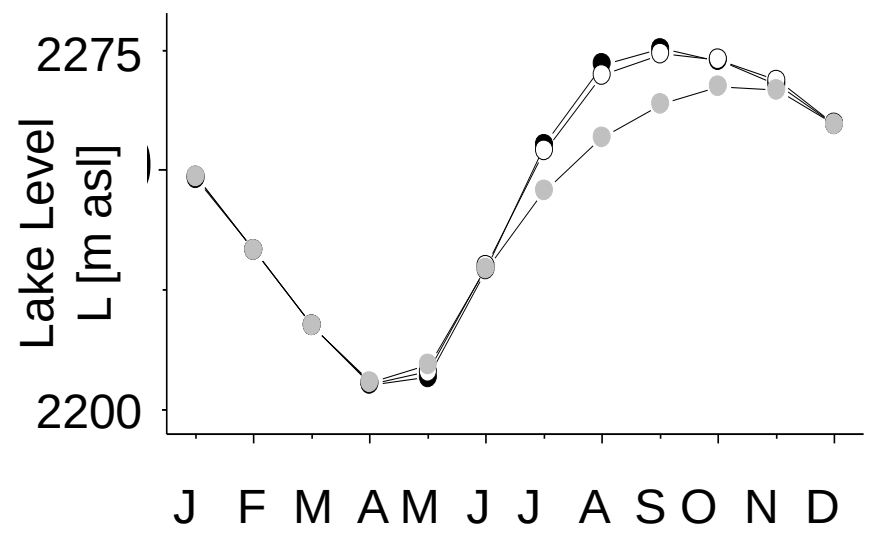
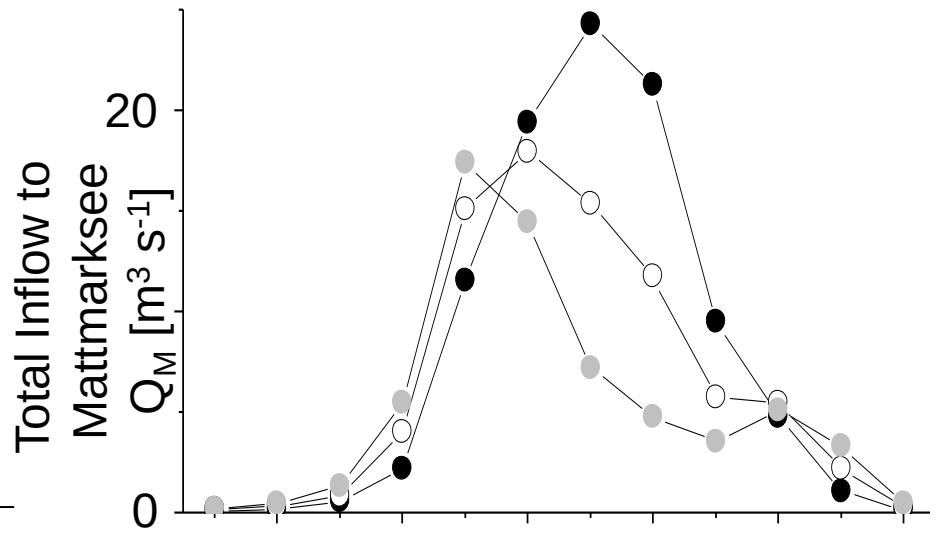
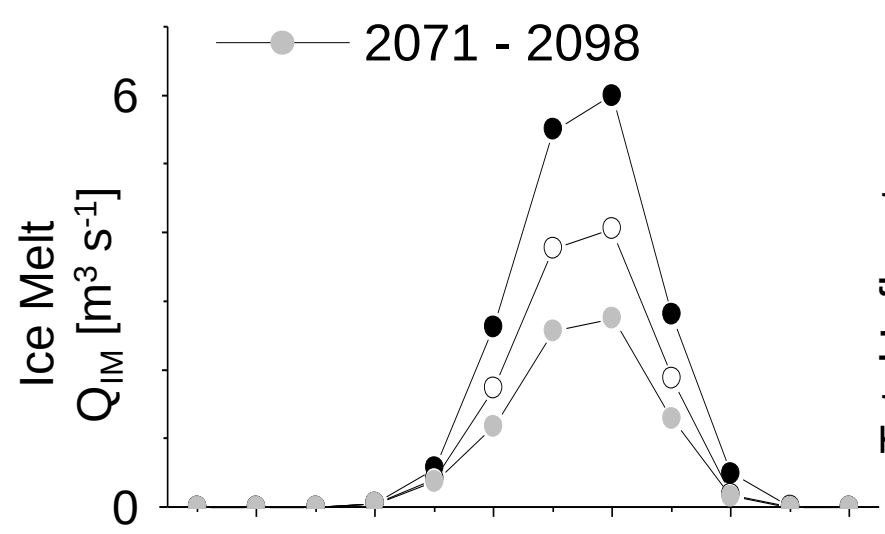


j) Discharge in Visp



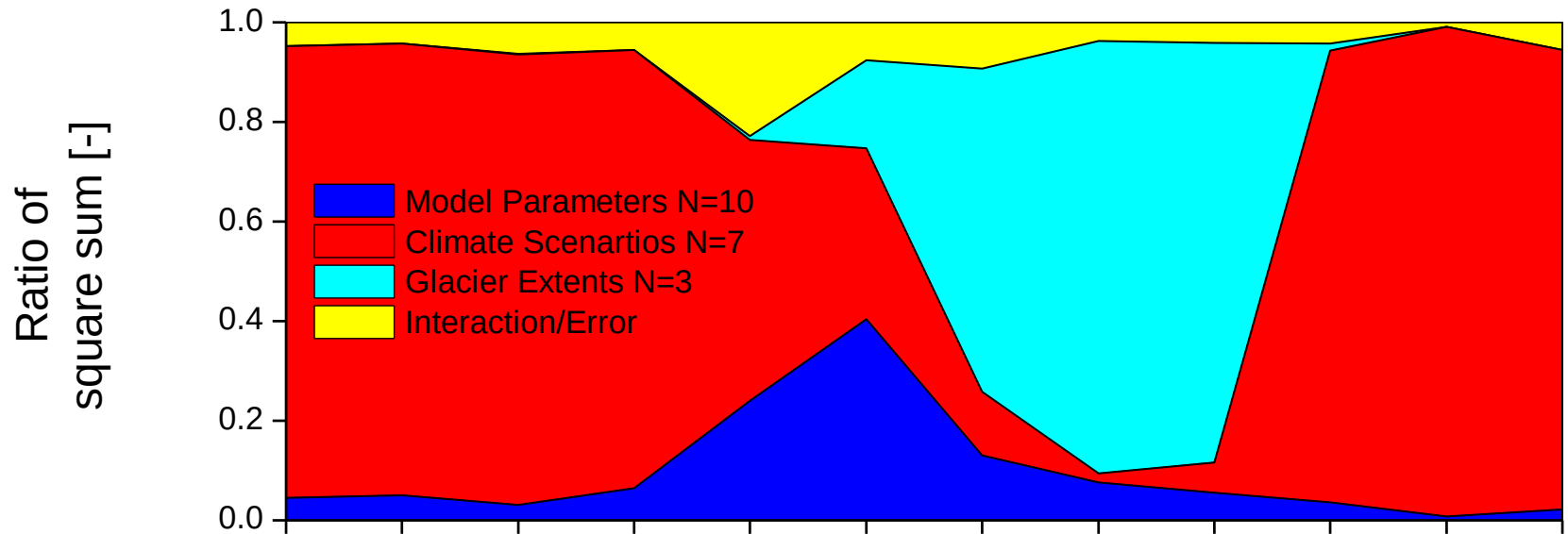
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- 1992 - 2019
- 2037 - 2064
- 2071 - 2098

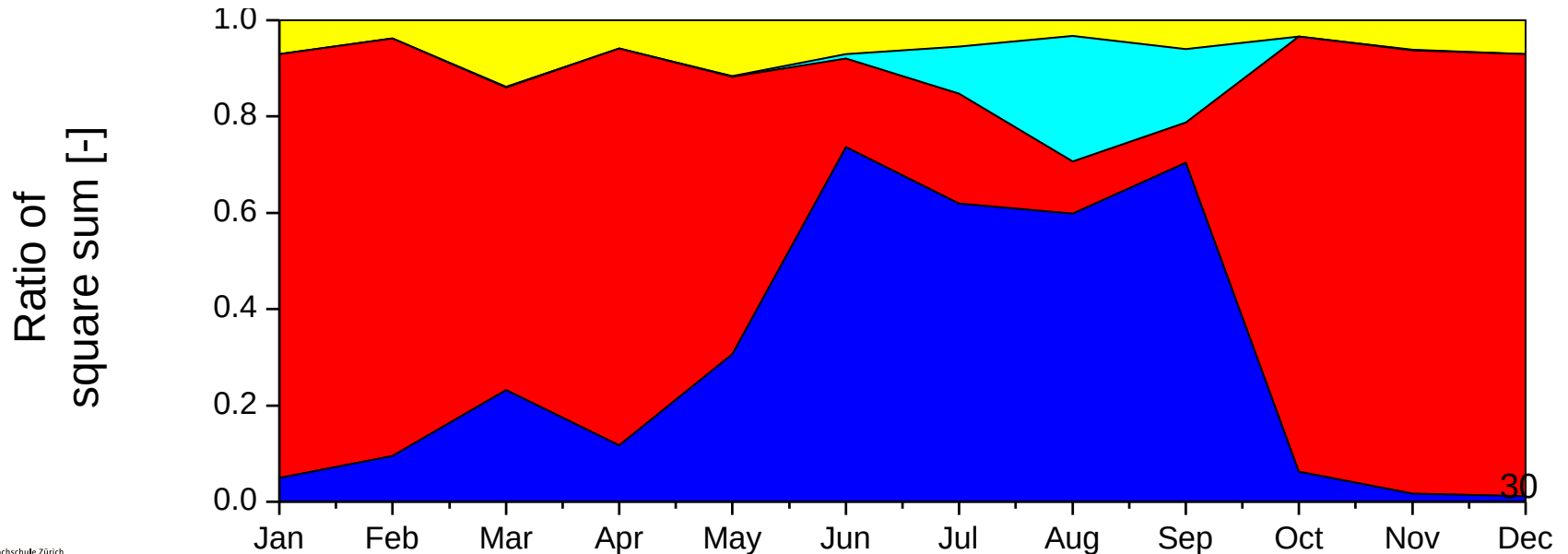


Source of Uncertainty: Analysis of variance (ANOVA)

Medium time-period: 2037-2064



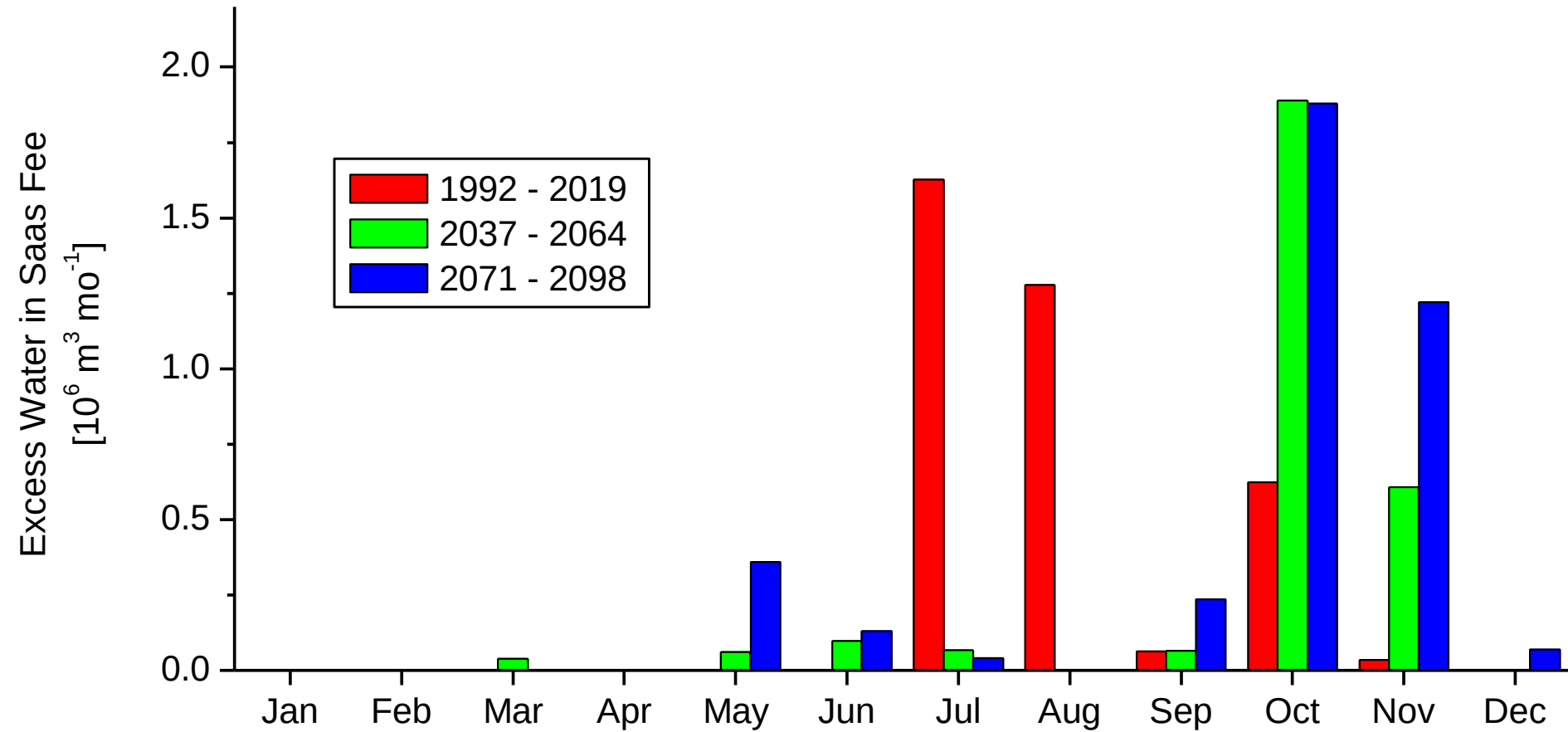
Longterm time-period: 2071-2098



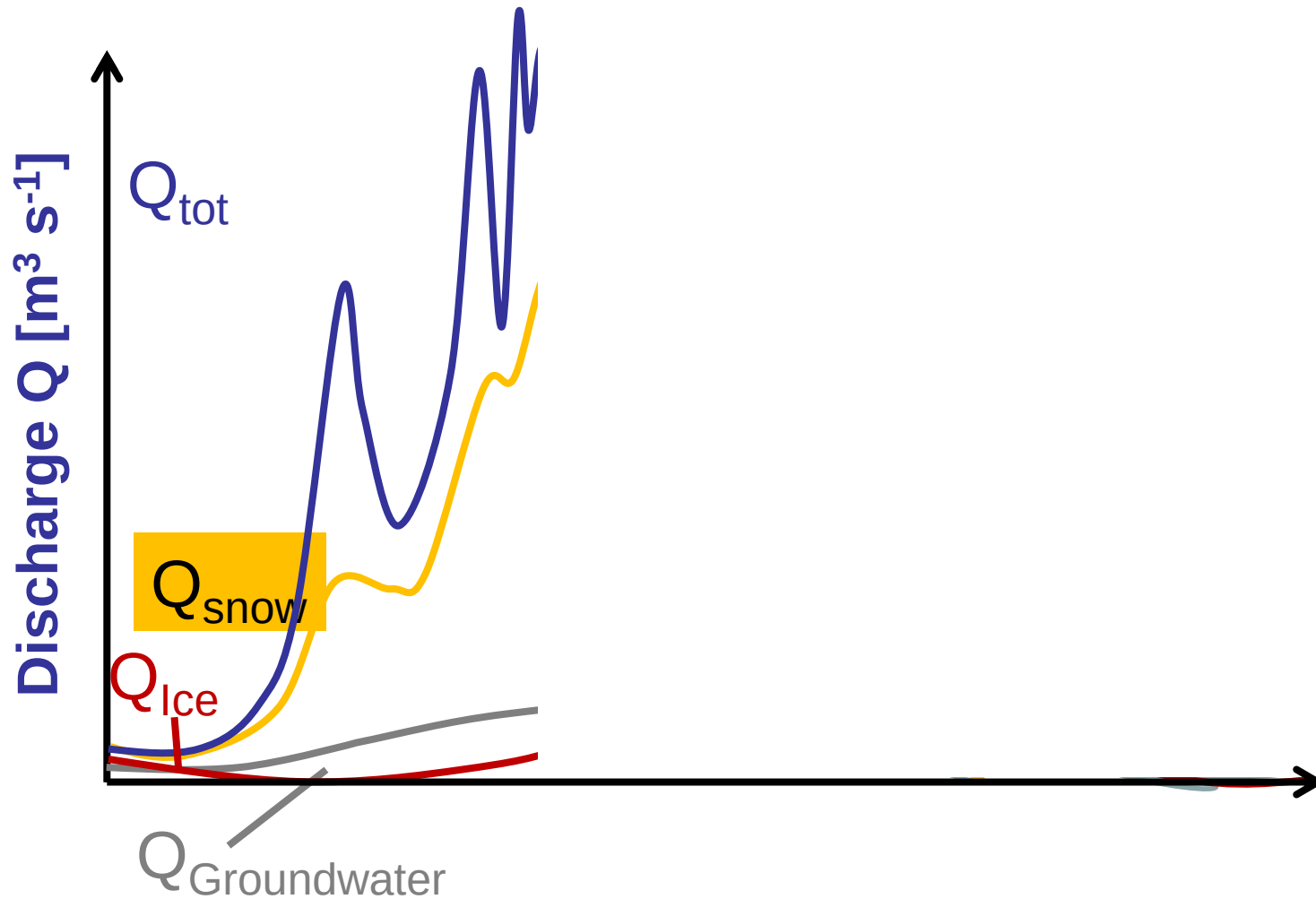
Excess Water



Projections of Excess water in Saas-Fee

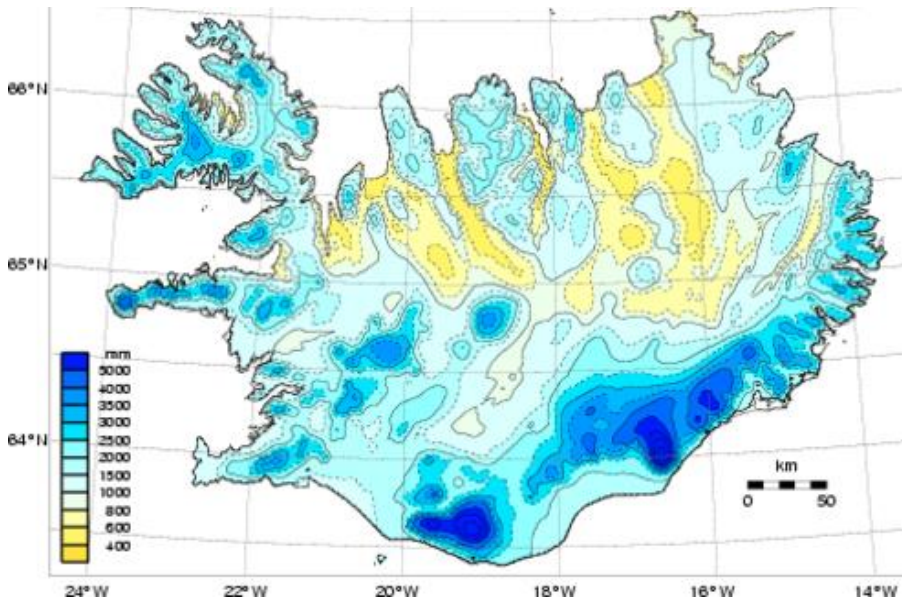


Outlook: Seasonal forecasting of snow, glacier and rainfall runoff



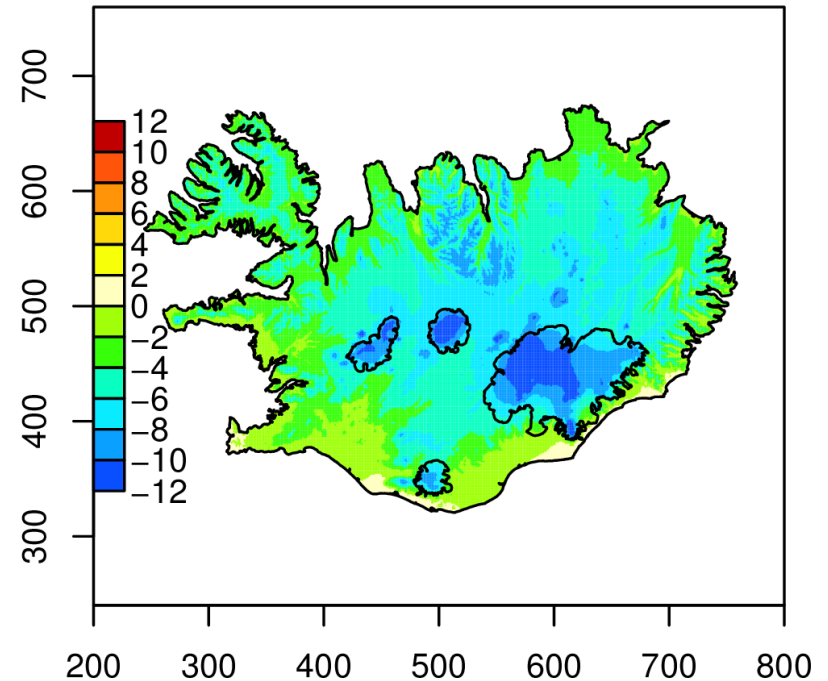
1km gridded datasets to drive hydrological models

Mean Annual Precipitation (1971- 2000)



Crochet et al., 2007,
Jóhannesson et al. 2007

Mean January Temperature (1961 – 1990)



Crochet and Jóhannesson 2011

Methods for hydrological forecasting

48h:

Harmony (NWP) (2.5 km) / statistical correction

Analogue based on ECWMF (1km) → Hydrol. Model → daily Q

3 – 10 days:

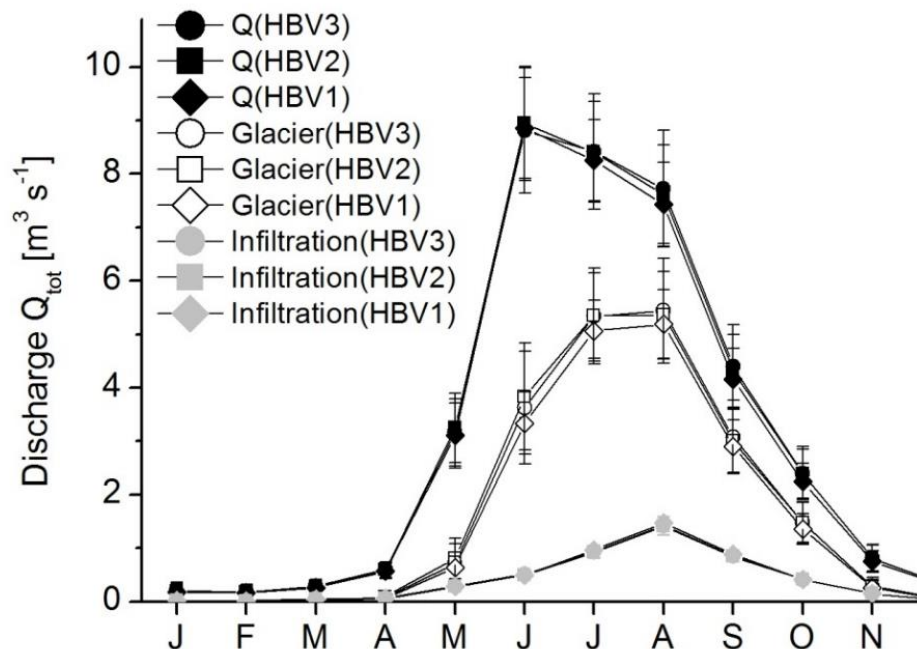
ECMWF; deterministic (16km) – EPS (32km) / statistical correction

Analogue based on ECWMF (1km) → Hydrol. Model → daily Q

Up to 7 month (seasonal):

ECMWF – EPS (74km) / statistical correction

→ Hydrol. Model → daily Q, Q_{snow} , Q_{ice} , Q_{Rain} , SWE



ECMWF:

<http://www.ecmwf.int/>

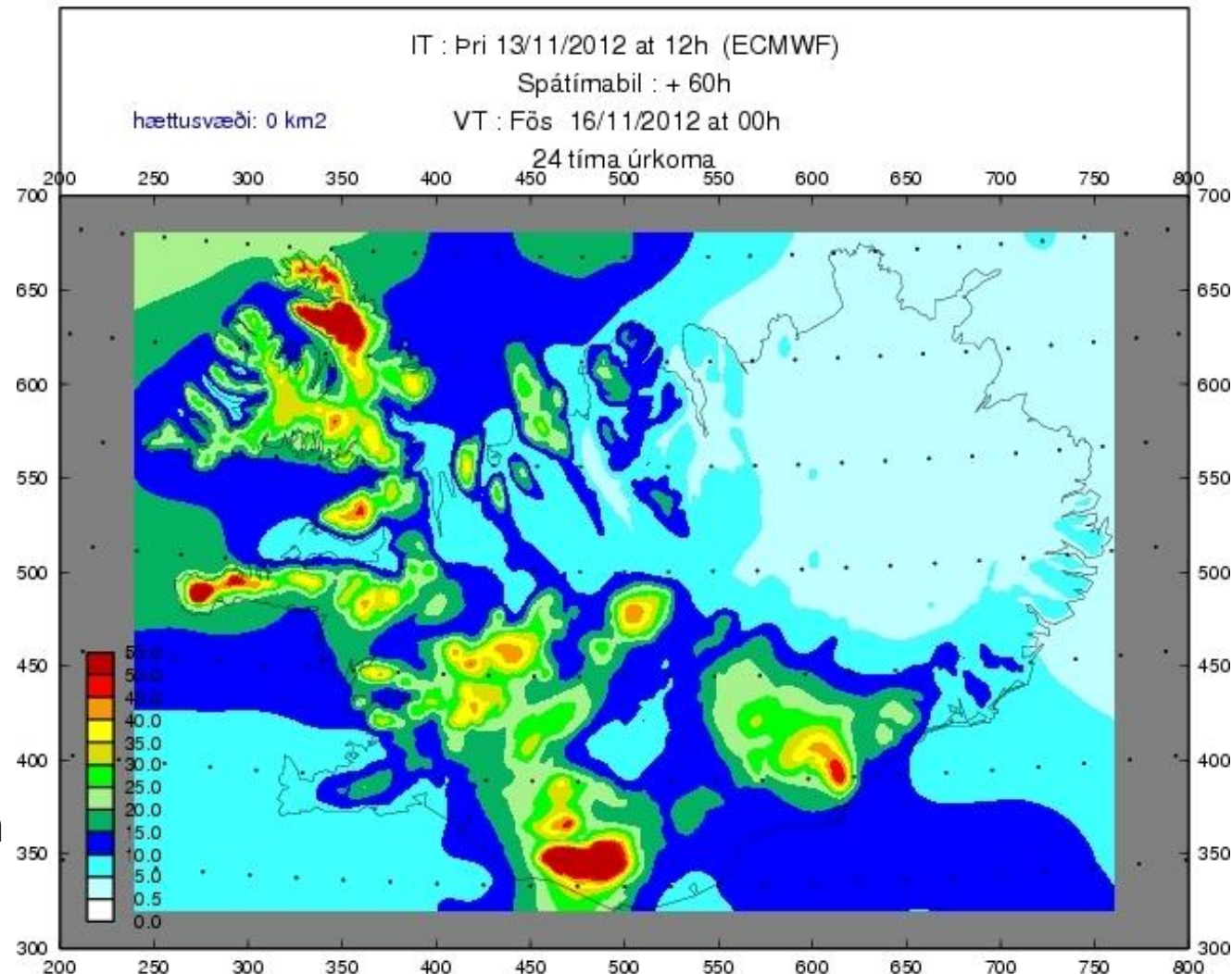
Example of statistical processing of precipitation forecasts

ECMWF

Statistical
correction

Post processed ECM:

- 1km resolution
- Consistent with gridded data used for calibration of hydrological model



Conclusions

- Multi variable calibration increases overall performance
 - Q and SC are a good combination
- Model complexity does not increase performance
 - The three HBV version revealed similar performance
- The value of SC increases with decreasing glaciation
- The method can easily be applied to any headwater

We are still looking for collaboration on Horizon2020 calls

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