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USGS

- Organise the assignments/exercises in a report : → groups of 2/3 people
- equations
 - basic results / numbers
 - theory

→ They'll be used in the exam (but with not much writing).

⊕ Final optional assignment : technical report on a problem of relevance of hydrology. (design or verification)

→ Written exam : 2h

- problems
- theoretical questions
- demonstrations
- quiz.

Will be presented to the students and solved. -1, 0, +1, +2 to add to the final exam.

Given in January

(no calcolatrice)

Variables associated to a probability of an occurrence related to water:

- discharge or river flow $\left[\frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{s}} \right]$
- precipitation (intensity $\left[\frac{\text{mm}}{\text{h}} \right]$ volumes, ...) $\rightarrow \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{km}^2} = \frac{\text{volume}}{\text{unit surface}} \Rightarrow [\text{mm}]$
- temperature (in phase change)
- soil moisture $\left[\frac{\text{m}^3_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}}{\text{m}^3_{\text{soil}}} \right] \Leftrightarrow [1]$ non dimensional
- radiation (in energy balances). $\rightarrow \left[\frac{\text{Energy}}{\text{unit surface}} \right]$

If 7 datos \Rightarrow use data-based approach

If # datos \rightarrow use physically based approach (quantitative modelling)

- Simple Drainage Systems $p_{ex} = 0,1. = 10\%$

→ The Law imposes a higher protection depending on the consequences of the events. p_{ex} is the probability of failure.

"La probabilità di collasso residuo delle strutture deve essere uguale a quella imposta dalla legge, o.e. uguale alla p_{ex} , data per ogni struttura".

Descriptive Statistics

Starting from a SAMPLE OF DATA, whose elements are indicated as x, X, x_i .

- The aim is to define the POPULATION OF THE RANDOM VARIABLE called $X_{..}$.
- The sample has a size n .

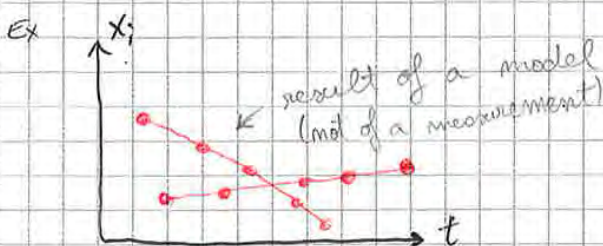
We have to summarise and represent data.

TIME SERIES

→ I have data connected to time.



if there is temporal continuity, we represent it with a line, otherwise we interrupt the line.



This kind of data and lines follow a mathematical law, but we have to check if it is physically possible that the event follows that law.

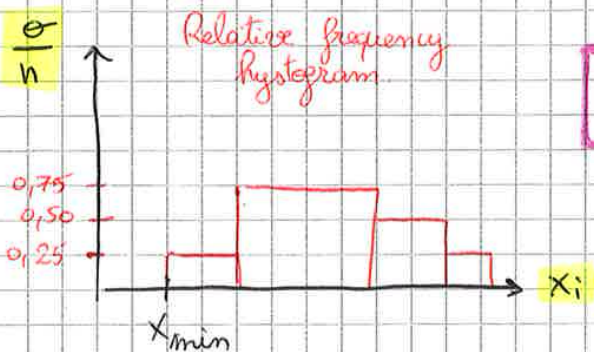
Or we can use:

$$K = 2 \cdot n^{0.4}$$

→ NORMALIZE THE AXIS OF THE OCCURRENCES (σ)

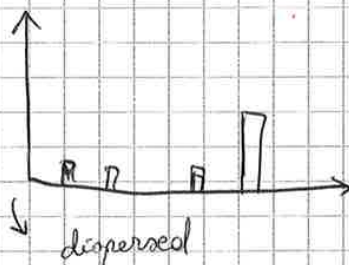
because the histogram depends on the size n , so it changes everytime I change the data:

⇒ normalization: $\frac{\sigma}{n}$ → so if we sum all the frequencies we obtain 1.

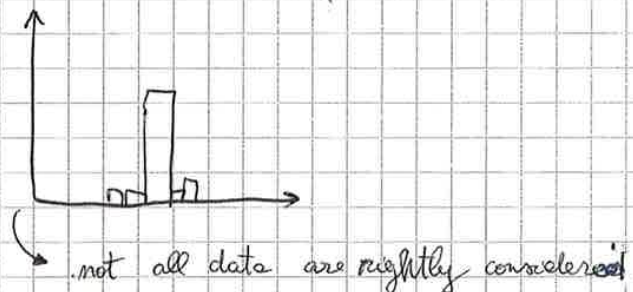


$$0 \leq \frac{\sigma}{n} \leq 1$$

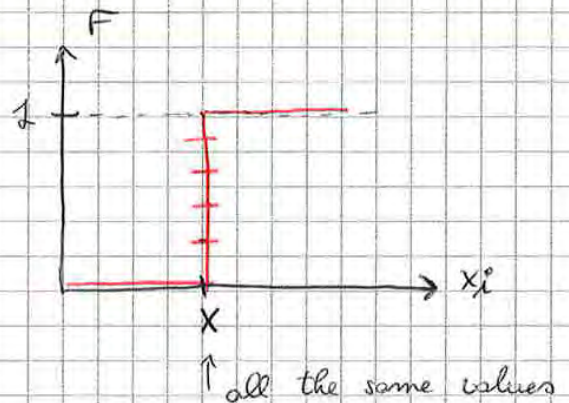
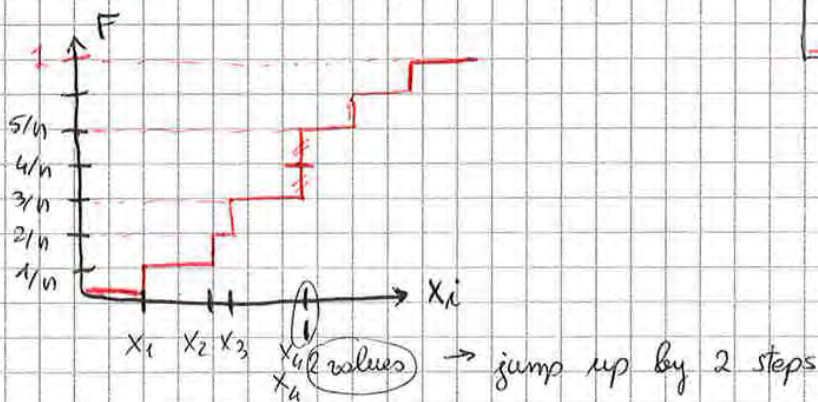
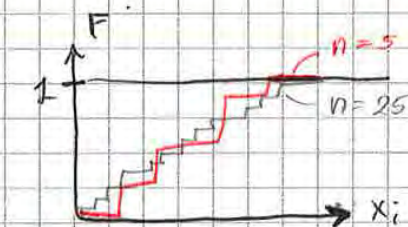
! Too many classes K



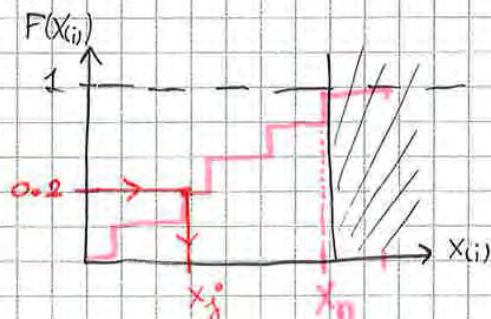
Too few classes K



" Se voglio che $P(X = x_j) = 0,02 = 2\%$, entro dalla $F(x_j) = 0,02$ fino alla curva e poi vado giù verso l'asse delle x_i , anche al contrario se voglio sapere la probabilità di x_j , vado dall'asse x_i alla $F(x_i)$. Oltre l'ultimo valore massimo x_n , non posso più dire né prevedere nulla !! $\textcircled{X_3}$



$\textcircled{X_1}$ If want to know the value x_j corresponding to a given probability. $P(X = x_j) = 0,02 = 2\%$; I have to entry from the value $F = 0,02$ on the ordinate axis and intersect the graph, then I have to go downwards and intersect the x_j value on the x axis. After the maximum value x_n I can't predict or suppose anything about the distribution.



$$\bar{x}_w = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \cdot \left(\frac{p_i}{p_{TOT}} \right)$$

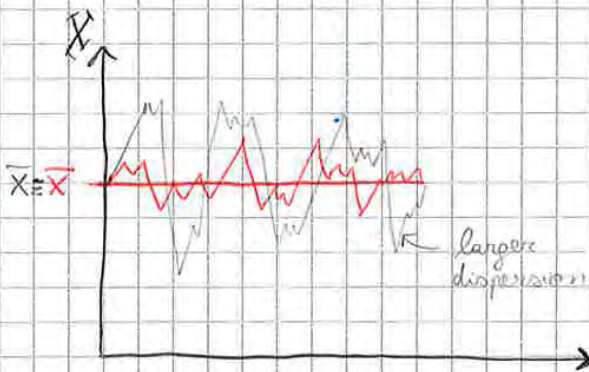
(River discharge)

p_i = population.

$$p_{TOT} = \sum_{j=1}^n p_j$$

$(x_i \cdot p_i)$ = number of undernourished people (only if I choose this case).
but if I choose a different type of weight (for ex. the size of the country S_i) it would be $(x_i \cdot S_i)$ which is \neq from nr of undernourished

DISPERSION



- How to characterise two different samples, with same mean \bar{x} but different dispersion?

because it's around the mean

2nd central moment / Standard deviation

We want the dispersion around the mean

(I have this expression because I don't want that opposite values cancel so I loose information).

$$\sigma = s = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \cdot \frac{1}{n}}$$



2nd (not central moment)

$$\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \cdot \frac{1}{n}}$$

→ If I want to compare 2 different objects with different scales, mean and dispersion, I can normalise in this way:

Sample Coefficient of variation

$$CV = \frac{s}{\bar{x}}$$

We can quantify T using probability.

If $p = P_{ex}(X \geq X_T)$ I can have success or failure.

$(T-1)$ where the event didn't occur. : $\begin{cases} (T-1)(1-p) & \text{NOT OCCURENCE} \\ 1 & p & \text{OCCURENCE.} \end{cases}$

$(1-p)^{T-1} p$ PROBABILITY of an event that occurs one time every T years.

EXPECTED VALUE \equiv EXPECTED MEAN \equiv SAMPLE MEAN: $E(X)$:

$$E(X) = \sum_{T=1}^{\infty} T \cdot \left[(1-p)^{T-1} \cdot p \right] =$$

weighted mean.

$$= p \cdot \left[1 + 2(1-p) + 3 \cdot (1-p)^2 + 4(1-p)^3 + \dots \right] =$$

POWER SERIES EXPANSION

$$(1+x)^a = 1 + ax + \frac{a(a-1)}{2} x^2 + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow E(X) = p \left[1 - (1-p) \right]^{-2} \quad \begin{matrix} x = -(1-p) \\ a = -2 \end{matrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow E(X) = p \cdot \frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1}{p}$$

$\Rightarrow E(X) = \frac{1}{p} = \text{RETURN PERIOD } T$, which is the inverse of the probability of the occurrence of the event.

$$\Rightarrow T = \frac{1}{P_{ex}(X \geq X_T)}$$

• River banks: $P_{ex} = 0,01 \Rightarrow T = \frac{1}{0,01} = 100 \text{ years}$

• Dams $P_{ex} = 0,0001 \Rightarrow T = \frac{1}{0,0001} = 10'000 \text{ years}$

• Drainage syst. $P_{ex} = 0,1 \Rightarrow T = \frac{1}{0,1} = 10 \text{ years.}$

GOAL : FIND THE DESIGN VALUE, OR A VALUE CORRESPONDING TO A GIVEN PROBABILITY

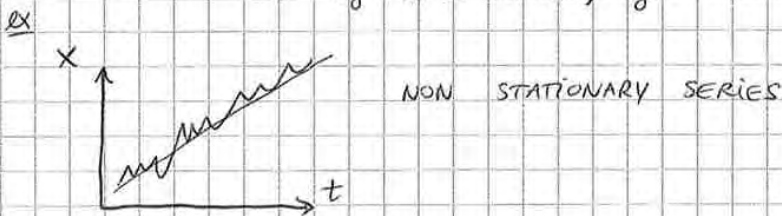
TOOLS : SAMPLE (= limited information)

STEPS : From a sample to a whole population (= ∞ info)
Draw the info about the design value X_{DESIGN} (PROBABILITY)



USE THE STATISTICAL INFERENCE

1° STEP : Description of data. of the sample. (plot time series, frequency histograms, particular points, outliers = spurious data, dispersion, mean, peculiar behaviour: if \exists a trend, if \exists deterministic parts, ...)

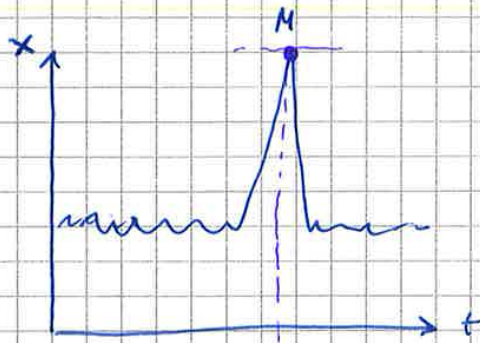


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The 2 parts, (1) and (2), are from different population. \Rightarrow what to do?

- If we have a longer part but older we choose the part which is the most recent data because it describes the current situation.

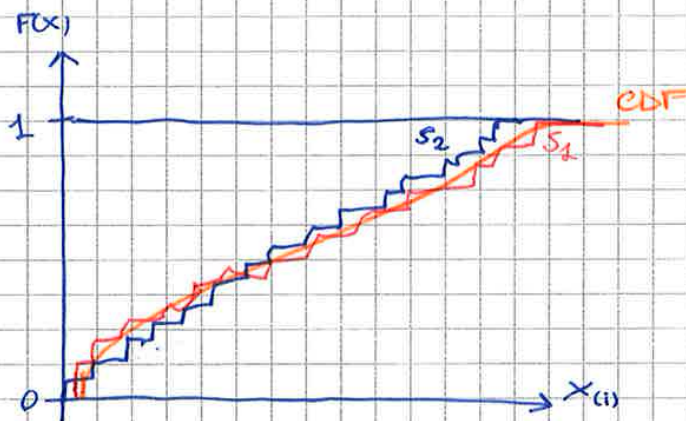
OUT LAYERS



M can be the most important point
(maximum flow) or an error

- \rightarrow check rainfall data
- \rightarrow check also in other sections of the river

STEP (2) CHOICE OF THE PROBABILITY DISTRIBUTION



! When we have a SORTED SAMPLE the prefix is in brackets $x_{(i)}$

S_1 and S_2 can be from the same population or not.

If we increase the number of data, we have smaller and thinner steps \Rightarrow if

$n \rightarrow \infty$ we will have a line called **CUMULATIVE**

DISTRIBUTION FUNCTION (CDF)

$$P(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F(x_{(i)})$$

sample	population
n	$n \rightarrow \infty$
$F(x_{(i)})$	$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F(x_{(i)}) = P(x)$

→ Quantile function: $X = [\ln(1-P)] \cdot (-\sigma)$

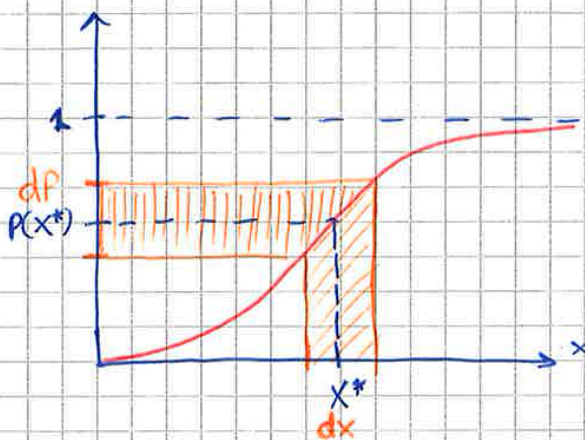
• Return period : 100 years

• $P_{ex} = \frac{1}{100} \approx 0,01$

• if $P = 0,99$

⇒ $x = -\sigma [\ln(1-0,99)] = 46 \cdot \sigma$ Design value

EX)



• Which is the probability of x^* ?
 $P(x^*) = 0$ because if I have a CONTINUOUS SAMPLE, the probability of picking the exact value x^* is ≈ 0 .
 (but it's kind of paradox).

⇒ So it's a better-posed question to ask the probability of an INTERVAL AROUND that value

$\frac{dP(x)}{dx} = p(x)$

PROBABILITY DENSITY FUNCTION (PDF)

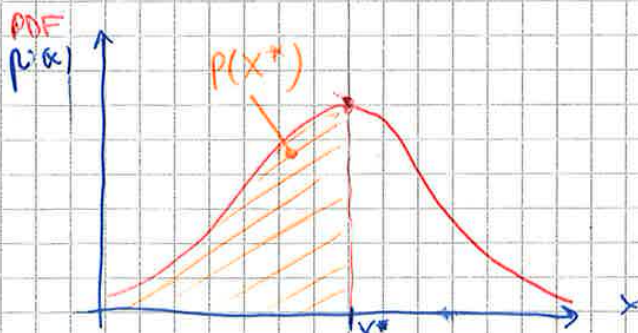
$p(x) = P'(x)$

$\int_{x_{min}}^{x^*} dP(x) = \int_{x_{min}}^{x^*} p(x) dx$

⇒

$P(x^*) = \int_{x_{min}}^{x^*} p(x) dx$

$CDF = \int PDF$
 $(CDF)' = PDF$

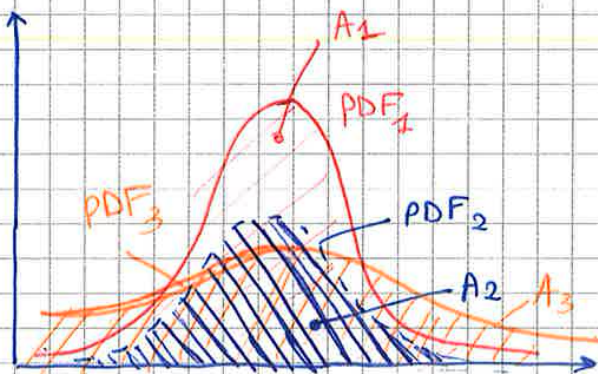


DIMENSIONS

• F, P NON DIMENSIONAL

• $f_{1P} \quad \frac{1}{[X]} = [X]^{-1}$ (look at its formula).

ex : $X = \text{river flow } [\text{m}^3/\text{s}]$
 $\Rightarrow [p(x)] = [\text{s}/\text{m}^3]$



• If x has PDF_1 it can't have PDF_2 because the area under the curve must be $= 1$:

$$A_2 < A_1 = 1$$

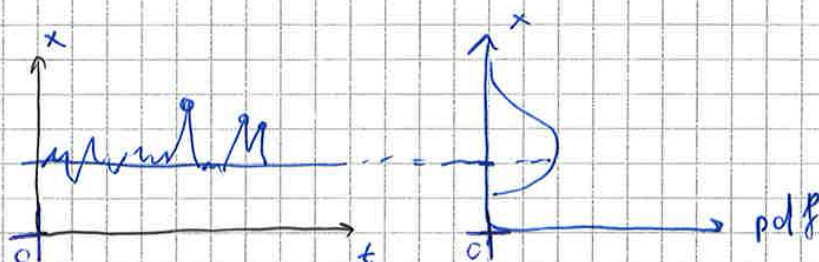
But if I have PDF_3 = it's ok because it has a different shape

→ Choosing a probability distribution needs 2 steps:

- 1) Identify the mathematical model (shape)
- 2) Estimate the parameters $P(x) = g(x, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3, \dots)$

→ FOR HYDROLOGIC DATA:

- sample size is small ($20 \div 100 = m$) \Rightarrow FEW PARAMETERS.
- domain is POSITIVE
- samples are asymmetric

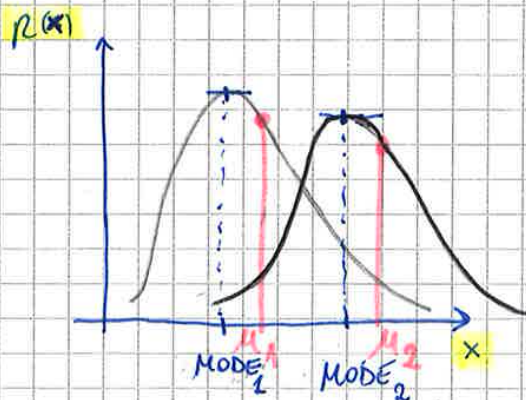


CHARACTERISTICS OF DISTRIBUTIONS

- DISTRIBUTION MEAN (EXPECTED VALUE) \equiv POPULATION MEAN.

$$\mu = \int_{x_{\min}}^{x_{\max}} X \cdot \underbrace{p(x)}_{\text{PDF}} dx$$

is the weight that we apply to any possible variable x



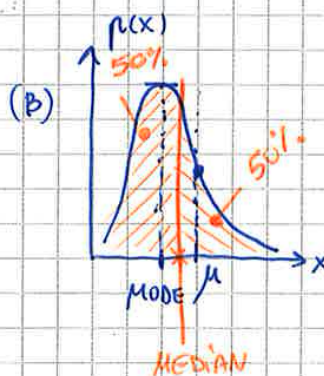
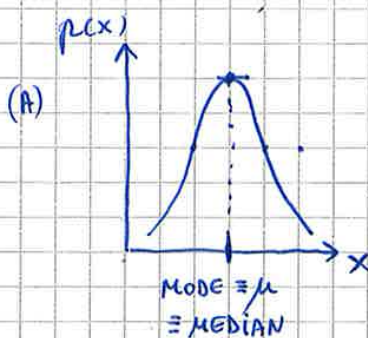
$$\mu_2 > \mu_1$$

! x_{\min} and x_{\max} are the limits of the domain (that are for ex. 0 and ∞ or $-\infty$ and $+\infty$)

- MODE : value of x corresponding to the maximum value of PDF

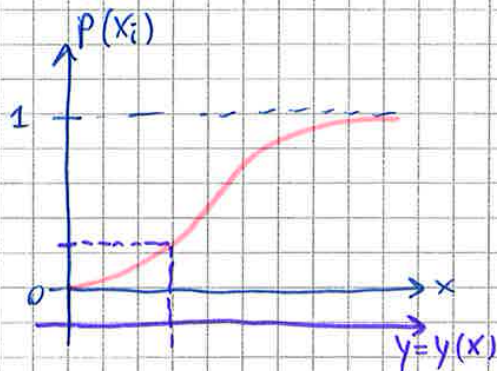
(A) $\mu \equiv \text{MODE}$ for symmetrical distribution.

(B) $\mu > \text{MODE}$ for NON-symmetrical distrib. (positive)



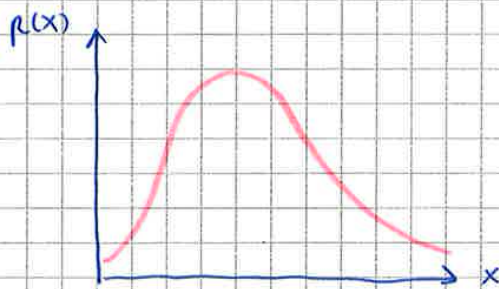
- MEDIAN : value that is greater than 50% of values \equiv 50% quantile
 \rightarrow Divide the area under the PDF into 2 equal parts

① Find CDF



⇒ Change variable $P(y) = P(x) \big|_{x=x(y)}$ it's easy for the CDF

② Find PDF



$$(CDF)' = (P(x))' = [P(x(y))]'$$

$$PDF = (CDF)' \Rightarrow$$

I have the derivative of a composition of functions

$$p(y) = p(x) \big|_{x=x(y)}$$

$$\cdot \frac{dx(y)}{dy}$$

derivative of the INVERSE of y

$$(y(x))^{-1} = x(y)$$

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DERIVATIVE OF THE QUANTILE FUNCTION.

Ex] EXPONENTIAL DISTRIBUTION

PDF $p(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma} \cdot e^{-x/\sigma}$

Derived variable
↳ inverse

$$y = a + bx$$

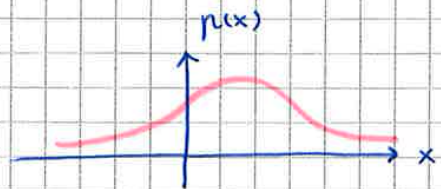
$$x(y) = \frac{y-a}{b}$$

$$\Rightarrow p(y) = \frac{1}{\sigma} \cdot e^{-\frac{y-a}{b\sigma}} \cdot \frac{1}{b} = \frac{dx(y)}{dy}$$

$p(x) \big|_{x=x(y)} \rightarrow$ substitution of $x(y)$ in the PDF

② GAUSSIAN DISTRIBUTION

PDF
$$p(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma_2 \sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x-\sigma_1}{\sigma_2} \right)^2}$$



- Parameters = 2 \rightarrow σ_1 = expresser position
 σ_2 = " dispersion (= scale)

- Mean = $\mu = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x \cdot p(x) dx = \sigma_1$

- Std deviation & Variance $\sigma^2 = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (x-\sigma_1)^2 p(x) dx = \sigma_2^2$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mu = \sigma_1 \\ \sigma = \sigma_2 \end{array} \right.$$

! The Gaussian distrib is not usefull for hydrological data:

- WHAT WE HAVE
- limited nr of data
 - positive values \rightarrow no need of the negative region
 - no simmetry in precipitations, flows, ...

\Rightarrow We use another distribution:

③ LOG - NORMAL DISTRIBUTION

Q = river flow

$x = \ln(Q)$

\rightarrow impose this relationship from the beginning
 \rightarrow MONOTONIC

$\Rightarrow p(x)$ is a normal distribution if Q is log-normal

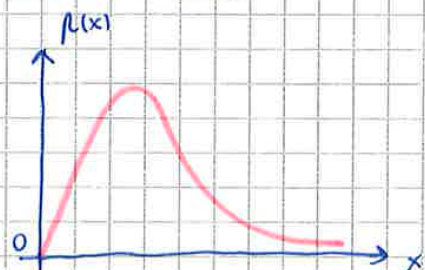
\rightarrow The log-normal is derived from the normal:

PDF \Rightarrow
$$p(x) = p(\ln Q) = \frac{1}{\sigma_2 \sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\ln Q - \sigma_1}{\sigma_2} \right)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{Q}$$

- Parameters = 2 $\rightarrow \sigma_1$ and σ_2

- Domain = $[0; +\infty]$

- Non symmetric $Y = CA > 0$



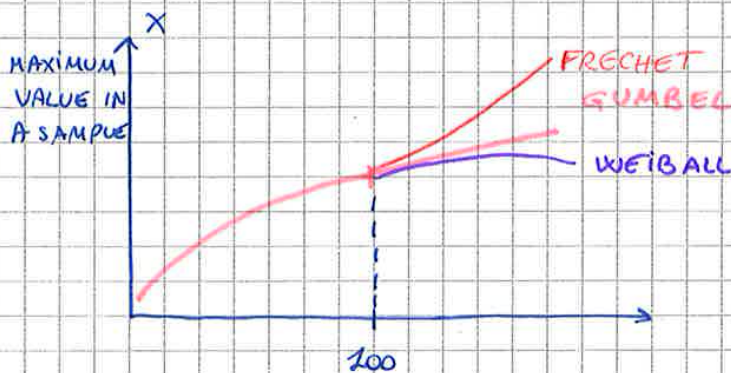
⑤ GEV DISTRIBUTION (Generalized Extreme Value)

cdf
$$P(x) = \exp \left[- \left(1 - \frac{\sigma_3}{\sigma_2} (x - \sigma_1) \right)^{1/\sigma_3} \right]$$

• parameters = 3 $\begin{cases} \rightarrow \sigma_1 \\ \rightarrow \sigma_2 \\ \rightarrow \sigma_3 \end{cases}$

• Don't overfit. \rightarrow GEV is used only if the sample size is large at least 50 : $n > 50$

• Related to EXTREME EVENTS and the TIME THAT PASSES between extreme events.



PROBABILITY PLOT

Graphical tool to assess how well a family distribution fits a sample of data. It doesn't depend on the parameter values.

Q-Q PLOT, SPECIAL CASE

QUANTILE - QUANTILE

- 1) SORT THE SAMPLE $(X_{(i)})$
- 2) COMPUTE THE EMPIRICAL DISTRIBUTION FUNCTION
 ∇ CDF $F(x) = \frac{i}{n} \rightarrow F(X_{(i)})_{\max} = 1$
- 3) COMPUTE REDUCED VARIATE U_i
- 4) PLOT POINTS $(X_{(i)}, U_i)$

$$F(X_{(i)})_{\max} = \frac{n}{n+1}$$

$$F(X_{(i)}) = \frac{i}{n+1}$$

PP

The probability of the max value is very large but not = 1 = 100%

IMPLIES THAT THE MAX VALUE OF $F(x)$ IS NOT 1

$$\Rightarrow U_i = \Phi^{-1}(F) = \frac{\ln(x) - \sigma_1}{\sigma_2}$$

Φ^{-1} = quantile function / inverse of std normal distrib.

! Std normal distrib $\begin{cases} \mu = 0 \\ \sigma = 1 \Leftrightarrow \sigma^2 = 1 \end{cases}$

\Rightarrow If I see that the points aren't aligned \Rightarrow I can discard that family of distributions

~~~~~ END OF STEP 2 ~~~~~

EX

EXP. DISTRIB:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= \sigma \\ \bar{X} &= \text{number} \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \sigma = \text{number.}$$

GUMBEL DISTRIB:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= \theta_1 + 0.5772 \theta_2 = \bar{X} \\ \sigma^2 &= \frac{\pi^2}{6} \theta_2^2 = S^2 \end{aligned}$$

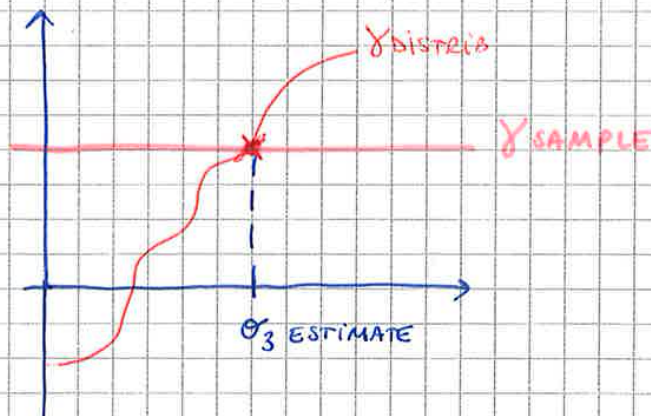
$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \theta_2^2 = \frac{6S^2}{\pi^2} \rightarrow \theta_2 = \frac{\sqrt{6} S}{\pi} \\ \theta_1 = \bar{X} - 0.5772 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\pi} \cdot S \end{cases}$$

GEV DISTRIB:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \mu(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3) &= \bar{X} \\ \sigma^2(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3) &= S^2 \\ \delta_{\text{DISTR}}(\theta_3) &= Y_{\text{SAMPLE}} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{implicit} \rightarrow \text{useless}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_1 &= \dots \\ \theta_2 &= \dots \\ \theta_3 &= \dots \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$  I have to build a function



### PRO & CONS

- The most limited is the size of the sample, the most variability I have between two samples even if the two samples are taken from the same population:

$$S_1 \neq S_2$$

$$S_1^* \approx S_2^*$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{m \geq 20.}$$





$$b_2 = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{(i+1)(i-2)}{(m-1)(m-2)} \cdot X(i)$$

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Assignment 1 }

$$L_1 = l_1$$

$$l_1 = b_0$$

$$L_2 = l_2$$

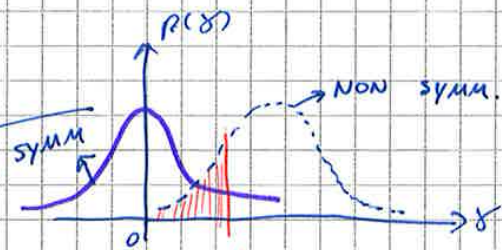
$$l_2 = 2b_1 - b_0$$

$$L_3 = l_3$$

$$l_3 = 6b_2 - 6b_1 + b_0$$

→ Rejection of  $H_0$  doesn't (generally) imply the acceptance of  $H_1$ .

|                                 | $H_0$ TRUE      | $H_0$ FALSE     |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| POSITIVE TEST<br>$H_0$ ACCEPTED | CORRECT ANSWER  | ERROR OF TYPE 2 |
| NEGATIVE TEST<br>$H_0$ REJECTED | ERROR OF TYPE 1 | CORRECT ANSWER  |



→ I find  $c \equiv x$  that belongs to the sym. and non sym. distrib.

## → STEP 4: GOODNESS - OF - FIT TESTS & STATISTICAL INFERENCE

$H_0$ : is the sample drawn from this given distribution with these given parameter values?

### CHI - SQUARED TEST $\equiv$ PEARSON TEST

Comparison between observed and theoretical frequencies.

→ ① SUBDIVIDE THE SAMPLE IN CLASSES. →  $K$  CLASSES  
 $K = 2 \cdot m^{0.4}$  (approx to the nearest integer)

→ ② TEST STATISTICS

$$X^2 = \sum_{i=1}^K \frac{(O_i - E_i)^2}{E_i}$$

CLASS = 1

$O_i$  = number of observed elements in the  $i$ -TH class

$E_i$  = number of the expected frequency in the  $i$ -TH class if  $H_0$  is true (means that the sample is originated from that distribution).



- Can we discard values around 0? Because if  $\chi^2 = 0$  means that the distribution is very closed to data, which is good and means that I have chosen the best type of distribution.

The limit  $\chi^2_{lim}$  is set by knowing 1 parameter and  $\alpha$ :

$$\Rightarrow \chi^2_{lim} = \chi^2_{lim}(k - m_p - 1; \alpha)$$

DEGREE OF FREEDOM

$k$  = nr of classes

$m_p$  = nr of parameters of the distribution that I'm fitting

$\Rightarrow$  I find 2 cases:

- $\chi^2 \leq \chi^2_{lim}(k - m_p - 1; \alpha) \rightarrow$  TEST IS POSITIVE  $\Rightarrow H_0$  IS ACCEPTED  $\Rightarrow$  SAMPLE IS DRAWN FROM THE SUPPOSED DISTRIB.
- $\chi^2 > \chi^2_{lim}(k - m_p - 1; \alpha) \rightarrow$  TEST IS NEGATIVE  $\Rightarrow H_0$  IS REJECTED AT THE  $\alpha\%$  OF SIGNIFICANCE

"Bisogna specificare sempre l' $\alpha\%$  di significanza in caso di test positivo o negativo, perché usando un  $\alpha\%$  diverso, lo stesso test può avere un altro risultato."

- What changes if we change the distribution to fit?

$$q_i = \frac{1}{K} \quad q_i = \frac{i}{K} \quad i=1, \dots, K$$

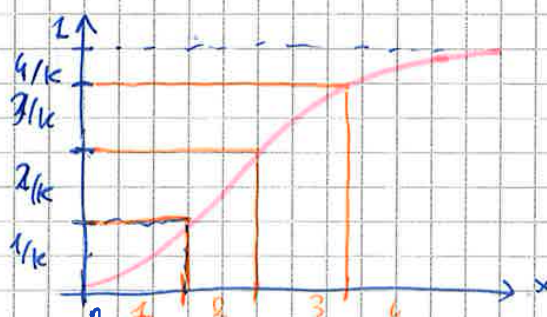
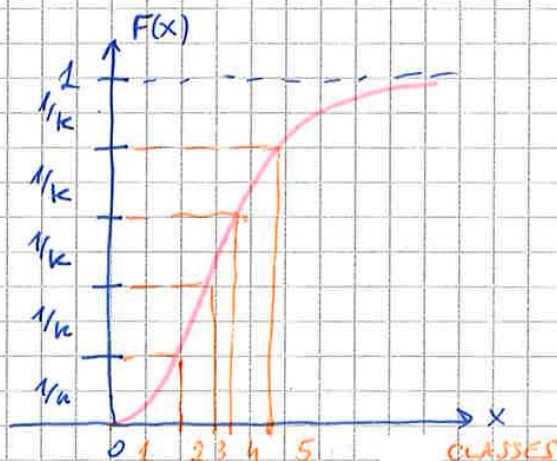
Different distributions lead to different

CLASS LIMITS

Defined through the

QUANTILE FUNCTION

$$X^{-1}(P)$$





4) Class limits and find  $x_i$  ( $i=1,2,3,4$ )

| CLASS | LIMITS             | $O_i$ | $E_i$ |                                               |
|-------|--------------------|-------|-------|-----------------------------------------------|
| 1     | $0 \div x_1$       | 0     | 1.6   | $x_1 = x^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{5}\right) = 2.23$ |
| 2     | $x_1 \div x_2$     | 4     | 1.6   | $x_2 = x^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{5}\right) = 5.11$ |
| 3     | $x_2 \div x_3$     | 2     | 1.6   | $x_3 = x^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right) = 9.16$ |
| 4     | $x_3 \div x_4$     | 1     | 1.6   | $x_4 = x^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) = 16.1$ |
| 5     | $x_4 \div +\infty$ | 1     | 1.6   |                                               |
|       |                    | $m$   |       |                                               |

5) Count how many elements of the sample fall into each of these ranges.

$$\hookrightarrow \sum O_i = m$$

"La somma di  $O_i$  deve essere uguale a  $m$ ."

6) Determine  $E_i$  and  $\chi^2$

$$E_i = \frac{m}{k} = 1.6 \text{ in all classes}$$

$$\chi^2 = \frac{(0-1.6)^2}{1.6} + \frac{(4-1.6)^2}{1.6} + \frac{(2-1.6)^2}{1.6} + \frac{(1-1.6)^2}{1.6} + \frac{(1-1.6)^2}{1.6} = 5.75$$

7) Find  $\chi^2_{lim}$  and compare  $\chi^2$  with  $\chi^2_{lim}$

$$\chi^2_{lim}(5-1-1; \alpha=5\%) = \chi^2_{lim}(3; 0.05) = 7.81 \rightarrow \text{Found from TABLES.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \chi^2 \leq \chi^2_{lim} \quad \text{TEST is POSITIVE}$$

$$5.75 < 7.81 \Rightarrow H_0 \text{ is accepted at a } 5\% \text{ of significance}$$

$\rightarrow \chi^2$  is a test that is usually passed for many distrib. but we need a more selective test.



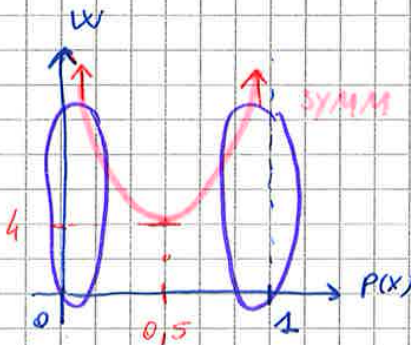
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$$A^2 = m \int_{x_{\min}}^{x_{\max}} \frac{[P(x) - F(x)]^2}{P(x) \cdot [1 - P(x)]} P(x) dx$$

measure of the distance squared

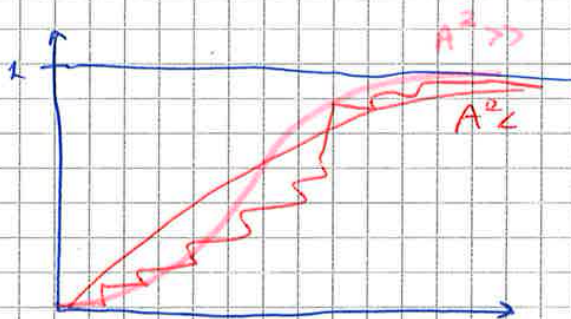


$[P(x) - F(x)]$  distance metric



$$W = \frac{1}{P(x) [1 - P(x)]} \quad \text{weight}$$

It's a weight function that amplifies the distance on the tails, because on the tails we can see how well the distribution captures the data.



→ FROM THE PREVIOUS FORMULA WE CAN OBTAIN A FINITE FUNCTION :

$$A^2 = -m - \frac{1}{m} \cdot \sum_{i=1}^m \left\{ (2i-1) \ln [P(x_i)] + (2m+1-2i) \cdot \ln [1 - P(x_i)] \right\}$$

$x_i$  = element in sorted sample

$P(x_i)$  = probability given by the tested distribution for  $x_i$

$$A^2 = 0 \div 4$$

→ But find also  $A^2_{\text{Lim}}$

⇒

$$\begin{cases} A^2 \leq A^2_{\text{Lim}} & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{TEST POSITIVE} \\ H_0 \text{ ACCEPTED} \end{array} \right. \\ A^2 > A^2_{\text{Lim}} & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{TEST NEGATIVE} \\ H_0 \text{ REJECTED} \end{array} \right. \end{cases}$$



## STEP 5) DEFINITION OF DESIGN VALUE.

CASE 0: NO DISTRIBUTIONS PASS BOTH TESTS

⇒ Change the distribution: maybe I distrib that we didn't consider (ex:  $\gamma$ -distrib; Pearson-distrib; ...).

CASE 1: 1 DISTRIBUTION PASSING THE TESTS

⇒ Compute the value of  $X$  corresponding to a given return period ex.  $T = 100$  years ⇒ find the associated probability

$$P(X) = 1 - \frac{1}{T} \Rightarrow X^{-1}(P) \text{ using the model tested}$$

NON EXCEEDED  
occurrence =  $\frac{1}{T}$

CASE 2: MORE DISTRIBUTIONS PASS THE TESTS

$$\Rightarrow X_{\text{GUMBEL}}^* = 1300 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{s}}$$

$$X_{\text{LOG-NORMAL}}^* = 900 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{s}}$$

$$X^* = X^{-1}(P)$$

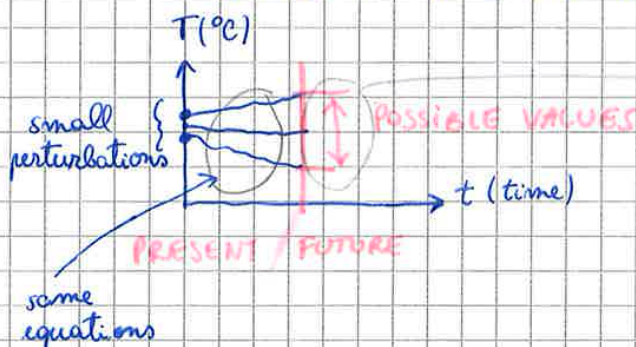
The values are extreme values because they're associated to a return period of  $T = 100$  years.

⇒ Which one do we choose? ⇒ Take the mean:

$$X_{\text{MEAN}}^* = \frac{X_1^* + X_2^* + X_3^* + \dots + X_m}{m_{\text{values}}}$$

Because we have to consider safety and costs

⇒ it's also a STATISTICAL TECHNIQUES: MODEL AVERAGING.



⇒ Take the MEAN TO PREDICT FUTURE.

⇒ The variability of  $X_{\text{MEAN}}^*$  must be given because

$$\text{for } X_{\text{MEAN}}^* = 1100 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{s}} : 1300 \div 900 \neq 1115 \div 1085.$$

END OF STEP 5



| $i$      | Sample element sorted | $\frac{i-1}{m-1}$ | $\frac{(i-1)(i-2)}{(m-1)(m-2)}$ |
|----------|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| $i=1$    | $X_1$                 | 0                 | 0                               |
| $i=2$    | $X_2$                 | $\frac{1}{m-1}$   | 0                               |
| $i=3$    | $X_3$                 | $\frac{2}{m-1}$   | $\frac{2 \cdot 1}{(m-1)(m-2)}$  |
| $\vdots$ | $\vdots$              | $\vdots$          | $\vdots$                        |

↓ growing weights

⇒ Finally I can calculate the sample L-moment

$$l_1 = b_0 = \bar{x}$$

$$l_2 = 2b_1 - b_0$$

$$l_3 = 6b_2 - 6b_1 + b_0$$

$$\begin{aligned} L_1(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3) &= l_1 \\ L_2(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3) &= l_2 \\ L_3(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3) &= l_3 \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} 1 \text{ param} \\ 2 \text{ param} \\ 3 \text{ param} \end{array} \right\}$$

System of equations to work out the values  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3$ . The number of equations depend on how many parameters needs a chosen function.

**Ex**  $P(x) = e^{-e^{-\frac{x-\sigma_1}{\sigma_2}}}$

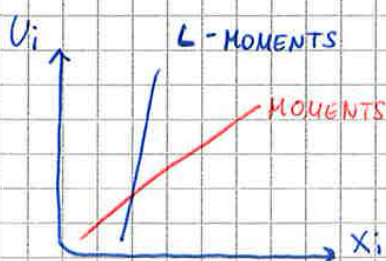
$$L_1 = \int_{x_{\min}}^{x_{\max}} x \cdot p(x) dx = \sigma_1 + \gamma_E \sigma_2 = \mu$$

$l_1 = \bar{x}$  mean of the sample

$$L_2 = 2 \int_{x_{\min}}^{x_{\max}} x \cdot p(x) P(x)^2 dx - \int_{x_{\min}}^{x_{\max}} x \cdot p(x) dx = \sigma_2 \cdot \ln 2$$

$l_2 = \text{number}$

$$\Rightarrow \text{system} \begin{cases} \sigma_1 + \gamma_E \sigma_2 = \bar{x} \\ \sigma_2 \cdot \ln 2 = l_2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \sigma_2 = \frac{l_2}{\ln 2} \\ \sigma_1 = \bar{x} - \gamma_E \sigma_2 \end{cases} \quad \gamma_E = 0.5772$$





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# PART 2

## DISTRIBUTION OF WATER ON EARTH

WATER IN THE ATMOSPHERE IS IN VOLUME

|     |        |                |
|-----|--------|----------------|
| DRY | 78 %   | NITROGEN       |
|     | 21 %   | OXIGEN         |
|     | 0.9 %  | ARGON          |
|     | 0.04 % | CARBON DIOXIDE |

0.001 % ÷ 5 % WATER VAPOUR very heterogeneous and 0.25 % in MASS.

Temperature influences the water amount in the air.

### 1<sup>ST</sup> PRINCIPLE OF THERMODYNAMICS.

$$c_p \cdot dT = dq + v \cdot dP$$

$c_p$  = specific heat at constant pressure

$$\left[ 1000 \frac{J}{kg \cdot K} \right]$$

$dT$  = temperature variation

$$[K]$$

$dq$  = amount of energy  $\equiv$  heat exchanged

$$\left[ \frac{J}{kg} \right]$$

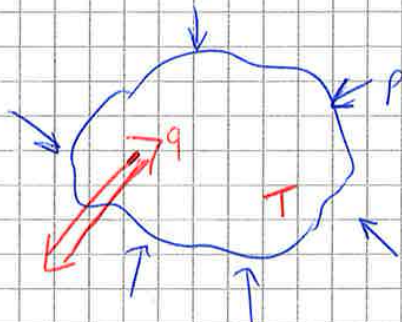
$v$  = specific volume =  $\frac{1}{\rho}$

$$\left[ \frac{m^3}{kg} \right]$$

$dP$  = variation of pressure

$$[Pa] = \left[ \frac{N}{m^2} \right]$$

→ The eq is applied to a given volume of air (a system), submitted to pressure, exchanging heat (provided or withdrawn).



$c_p dT$  = internal energy

$V dP$  = work done by the system.



This result is for **DRY CONDITIONS**, water vapour is not considered.

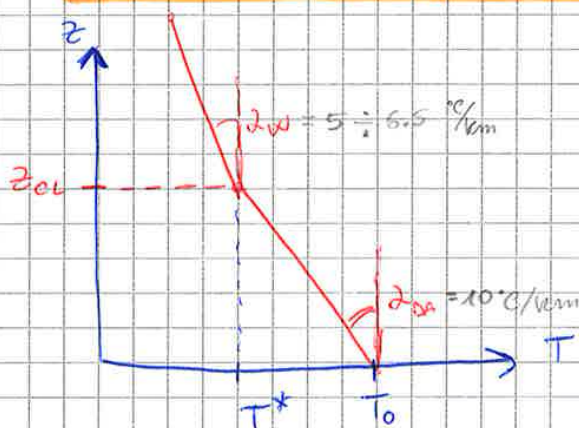
Let's see what happens after the point of **CONDENSATION**. When condensation occurs (phase passage from vapour to liquid), it's an **EXOGENOUS** transformation  $\Rightarrow$  it's not more adiabatic.  $\Rightarrow$  there is a release of heat.  $\therefore$

$$c_p dT = dq - g dz$$

The value of  $dq$  depends on how much is the amount of vapour.

$$\frac{dT}{dz} = - \underbrace{\frac{g}{c_p}}_{\text{POSITIVE QUANTITY}} + \text{saturated or wet lapse rate}$$

$$\alpha_w = - (5 \div 6.5) \frac{^\circ\text{C}}{\text{km}} \quad |\alpha_w| < |\alpha_d|$$



$\Rightarrow$  a first faster change of temperature with a rate of  $\alpha_d$ , but at a certain altitude, the change becomes slower with a rate of  $\alpha_w$ .

## RELATIVE HUMIDITY

It's a measure that quantifies the amount of water in the air

$$[r] = \frac{[p_a]}{[p_a]_{\text{sat}}}$$

$$RH = \frac{e}{e_s}$$

$$RH \in [0, 1]$$

$e =$  <sup>water</sup> vapour pressure of air  
 $e_s =$  saturated pressure of <sup>water</sup> vapour in the air

Saturated condition  $\equiv$  the maximum capacity of air to hold water at that pressure and temperature, after which water condensates.  $e_s = e_s(T)$



# MIXING RATIO

after  
applying  
the  
gas law

$$W = \frac{\text{mass of water (vapour)}}{\text{mass of air}}$$

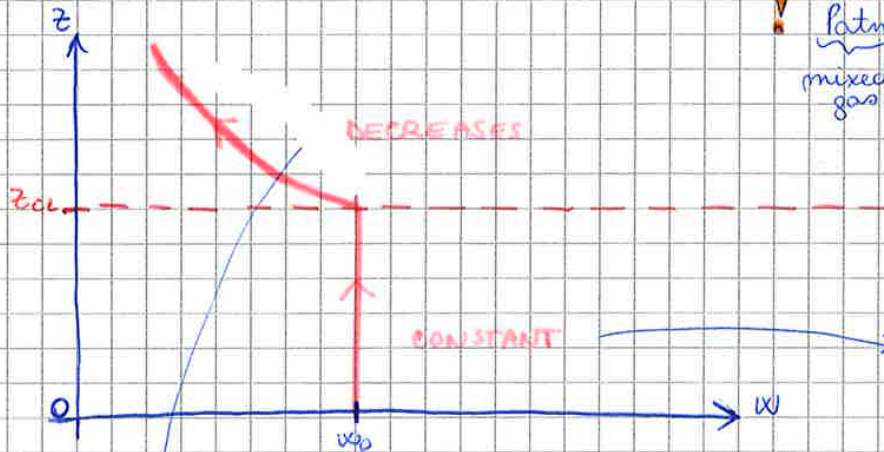
$$\frac{[kg]_{H_2O}}{[kg]_{air}} = [1]$$

$$W = 0.622 \cdot \frac{e}{P_{atm}}$$

VAPOUR PRESSURE

$e$  = vapour pressure  $\equiv$  partial pressure of the vapour.

!  $P_{atm} = \sum_{i=1}^n P_i$   $n$  = number of gases composing the air.



Water condensates: becomes drops of liquid that start to move  $\rightarrow$  leaving water

Because  $\nabla$  condensation.

$W$  is about MASSES.

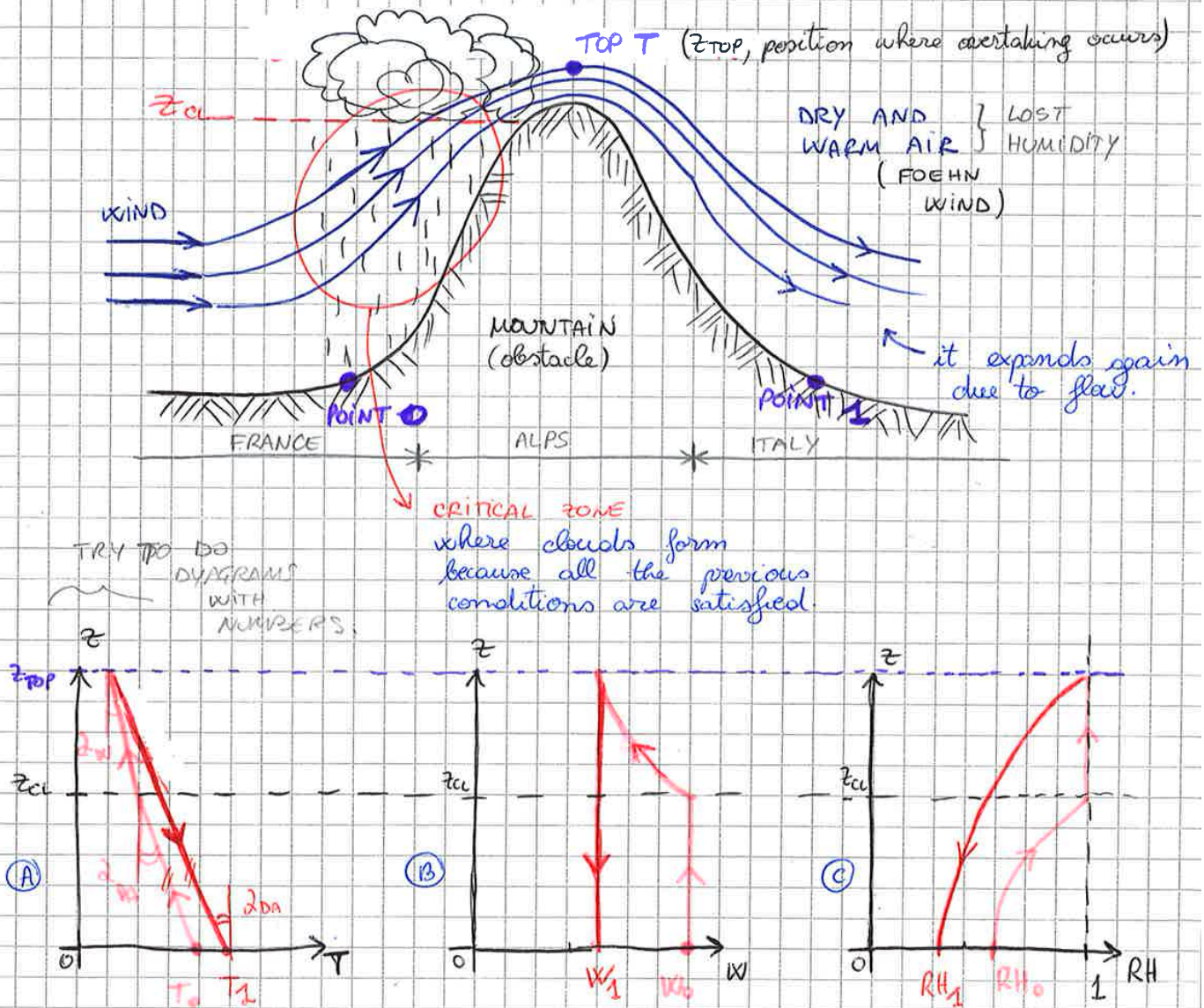
Below  $z_{cl}$  is an adiabatic transformation.



PRECIPITATION IS ALWAYS FORMED WHEN / WHERE AN UPWARD MOTION OF HUMID AIR OCCURS:

- OROGRAPHIC PRECIPITATION
- CONVECTIVE "
- CYCLONIC "

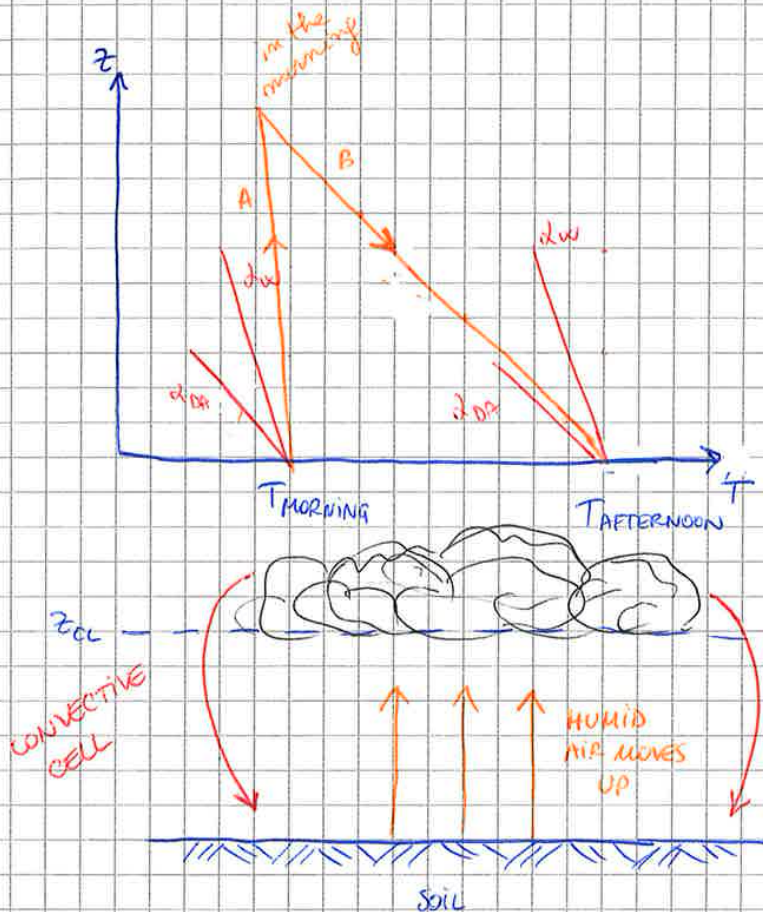
## OROGRAPHIC PRECIPITATION



- Ⓐ After the TOP T, a lot of water has been lost, it won't condense anymore, so we can say we're in an adiabatic condition again, so the temperature of air, which is going down again, increases following a line with  $\gamma_{da}$ .
- Ⓑ After the top, the air still has a low water content, but the path is constant, so it's adiabatic.
- Ⓒ After the top, RH decreases while temperature increases.



## INSTABILITY RELATED TO THE FORMATION OF STORMS (CONVECTIVE PRECIPITATIONS)



A = Morning stable

B = Afternoon unstable

Since a lot of heat from the soil is released  $\Rightarrow$  a lot of air moves up and  $\exists$  a lot of condensations  $\Rightarrow$  storms

Then colder air goes down

↓  
After precipitation finishes and the humidity is not more sufficient for the condensation, the storm stops.

### STORMS:

- INTENSITY IS VERY STRONG

$$> 20 \div 50 \frac{\text{mm}}{\text{h}}$$

- DURATION depends on the time required by the convective cells to be exhausted

< FEW HOURS

- TOTAL VOLUMES (MAX)  $100 \div 200 \text{ mm}^3$

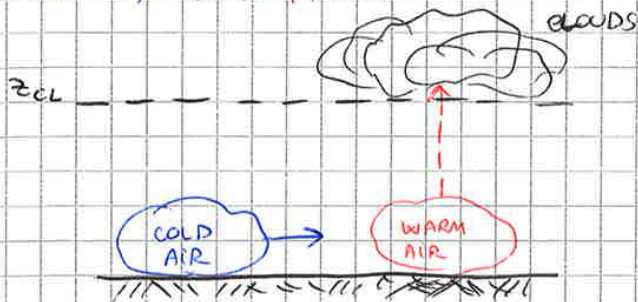
! In Torino annual volume is  $\approx 700 \text{ mm}^3$

- CRITICS FOR THE DRAINAGE SYSTEM.

Precipitation drops move in a turbulent way inside the cloud and hit other drops so they increase size until the weight can overcome the power of the wind and then fall down.

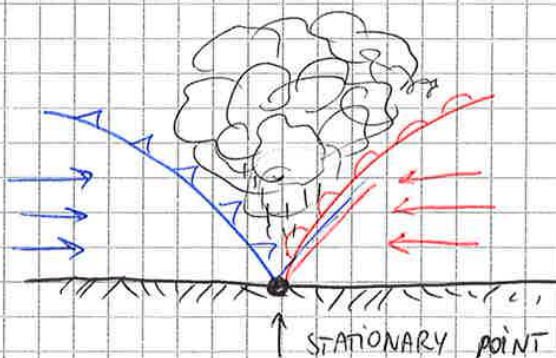
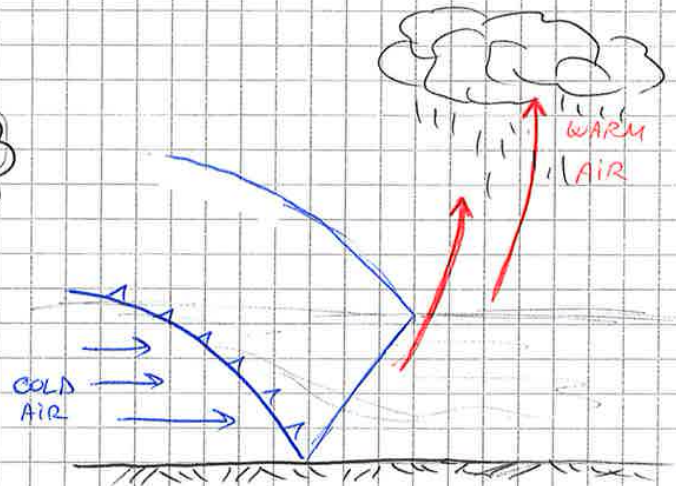
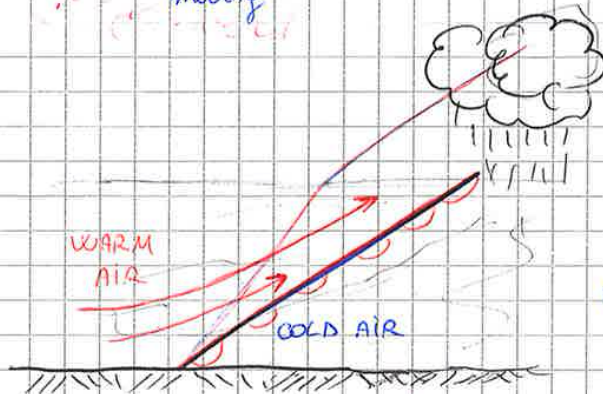
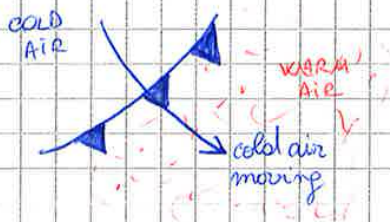


## CASE 2) COLD FRONT



Cold front moves towards the warm air. The warm air moves up because it has less weight.

- INTERMEDIATE INTENSITY OF PRECIP ( $5 \div 20 \frac{\text{mm}}{\text{h}}$ )
- INTERMEDIATE DURATION ( $12 \div 24 \text{ h}$ )



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CLOUDS = formation of condensed water in the air. They form above a certain level ( $z_{cl}$ ). It's formed by small droplets which diameter is  $10 \div 30 \mu\text{m}$ . The density of droplets is  $0.5 \div 1 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{m}^3}$  for a maximum of  $3 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{m}^3}$ .

$$A_b = 1 \text{ m}^2$$

AMOUNT OF WATER

$$\left[ 3 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{m}^3} \cdot 4000 \text{ m} \cdot A_b \right] \cdot \frac{1}{1000 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}} = 12 A_b \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{kg}} = 12 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3 = 12 \text{ mm of RAINFALL DEPTH.}$$



### 3 PHASES OF PRECIPITATION FORMATION

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#### 1) CONDENSATION

$T > 0^{\circ}\text{C}$  FORMATION OF DROPLETS

$-40^{\circ}\text{C} < T < 0^{\circ}\text{C}$  " DROPLETS AND ICE CRYSTALS

$T < -40^{\circ}\text{C}$  " ICE CRYSTALS

MAXIMUM DIMENSION OF DROPLETS :  $100 \mu\text{m}$ .

Darker clouds are the tallest and absorb light by reflecting and refracting it much more than a white cloud, which is also less dense.

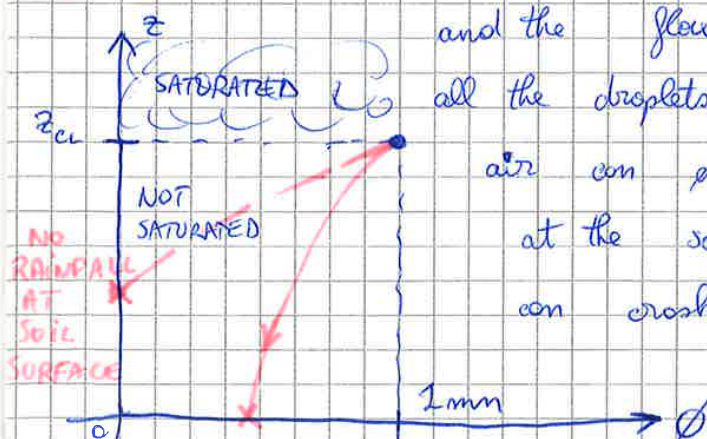
CONDENSATION NUCLEI (DUST, IONS, PARTICLES) WITH DIMENSION  $10^{-3} \div 10 \mu\text{m}$ .  
 ↳ without them condensation cannot start.

#### 2)

COALESCENCE : the droplets are small, and the turbulence brings them around the cloud so they meet each other and grow. DROPLETS GROWING BY HITTING OF DROPS. The air flow can be very slow:  $0.5 \text{ cm/s}$  but it can carry around the smallest droplets. The FINAL DIMENSION is  $0.5 \div 2 \text{ mm}$  IN DIAMETER. The coalescence process can be very long.

#### 3)

FALL THROUGH THE CLOUD BASE : when the weight is sufficient and the flow can't carry them anymore. Not all the droplets reach the soil: the unsaturated air can evaporate them totally and  $\neq$  rainfall at the soil. Also very turbulent air flow can crush the biggest droplets.



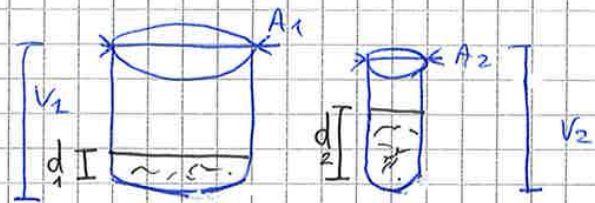


# RAINFALL MEASUREMENTS

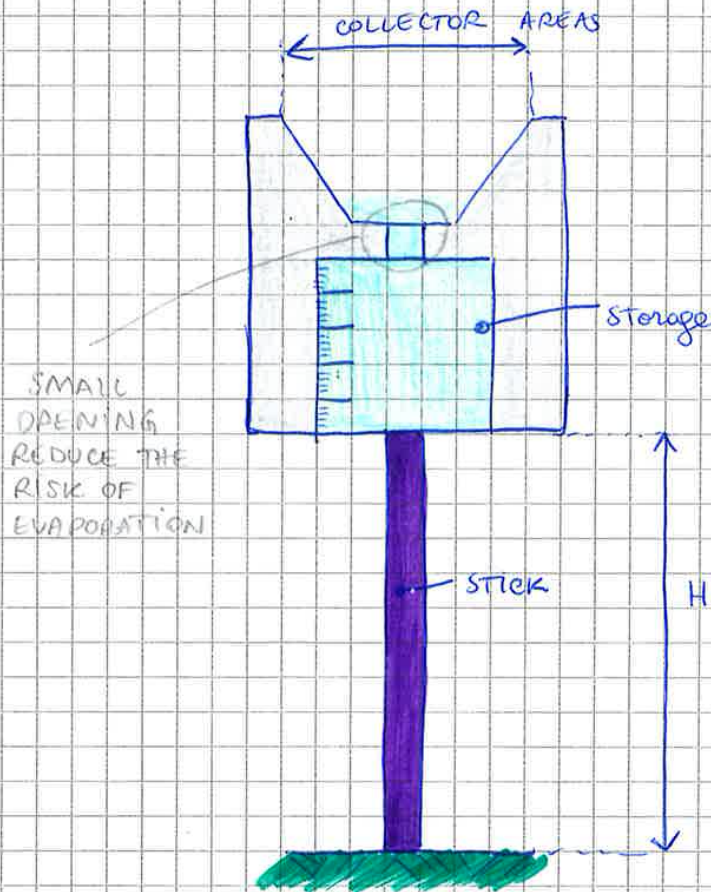
precipitation  
RAINFALL DEPTH =  $\frac{VOLUME}{AREA}$

$d = \frac{V}{A}$

PLUVIOMETER



$d_1 = d_2$  because of that ratio.



$\phi = 20 \text{ cm}$  WEATHER BUREAUX  
 $\phi = 37 \text{ cm}$  ITALY

H is important because if it's too low it can be disturbed by people/animals/vegetation, ... but it must be also near the soil:  
 $H = 170 \text{ cm}$ .

- NON - RECORDING GAUGES : someone must go and read it, in time.
  - STANDARD : ONCE A DAY
  - STORAGE : ONCE A MONTH OR SEASON : in area difficult to reach
- RECORDING GAUGES
  - WEIGHTING TYPE (after weighting the bucket, empties it).
  - FLOAT TYPE (reads the DEPTH)
  - TIPPING BUCKET TYPE. (reads the tipping TIMES).

↳ One can draw a continuous curve of precipitation.

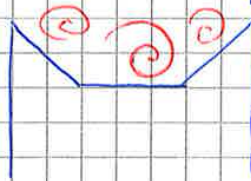


→ WIND can affect the measurements:

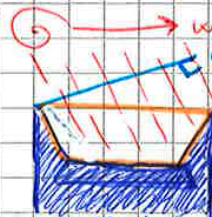
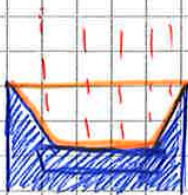
- creates turbulence → vortex inside the gauge → under measurement

UNDER CATCHING

Deviation of droplets due to turbulence

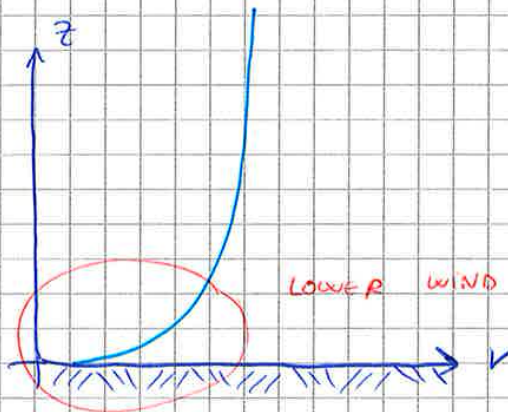


- The collecting area changes according to the direction of wind



WIND  
EFFECTIVE AREA: projection  $\perp$  to rainfall

Effective area is lower.



LOWER WIND → BETTER TO AVOID DISTURBANCE



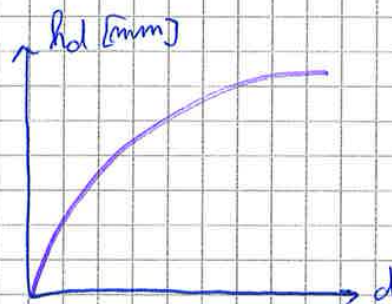
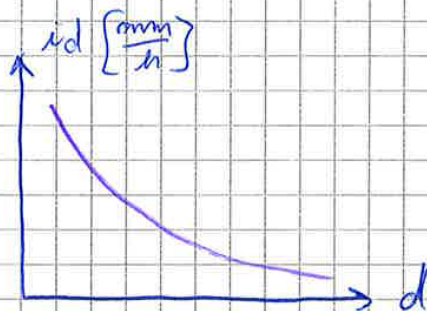
→ it's more affected by wind.

FOR THE SNOW WE USE THE HEATED PLUVIOMETER. that measures the snow water equivalent.



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| TIME  | $h$ [mm] | max $h_d = 1$ hour | max $h_d = 3$ hours | Duration of event: 3.75 h                                                                     |
|-------|----------|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 7:15  | 2        | -                  | -                   |                                                                                               |
| 7:30  | 2        | -                  | -                   |                                                                                               |
| 7:45  | 2        | -                  | -                   |                                                                                               |
| 8:00  | 4        | → 9                | -                   | $h_d = 1 \text{ hour} = 22 \text{ mm}$                                                        |
| 8:15  | 3        | → 11               | -                   | $h_d = 3 \text{ hours} = 50 \text{ mm}$                                                       |
| 8:30  | 5        | → 14               | -                   | $i_d = 1 \text{ hour} = 22 \frac{\text{mm}}{\text{h}}$                                        |
| 8:45  | 6        | 18                 | -                   | $i_d = 3 \text{ hours} = \frac{50 \text{ mm}}{3 \text{ h}} = 16.7 \frac{\text{mm}}{\text{h}}$ |
| 9:00  | 4        | 18                 | -                   |                                                                                               |
| 9:15  | 5        | 20                 | -                   |                                                                                               |
| 9:30  | 7        | 22                 | -                   |                                                                                               |
| 9:45  | 5        | 21                 | -                   |                                                                                               |
| 10:00 | 3        | 20                 | 47                  |                                                                                               |
| 10:15 | 4        | 19                 | 50                  |                                                                                               |
| 10:30 | 1        | 13                 | 49                  |                                                                                               |
| 10:45 | 1        | 9                  | 48                  |                                                                                               |



$$\bar{i}_d = \frac{h_d}{d}$$

AVERAGE INTENSITY  
OVER A DURATION  
 $d$

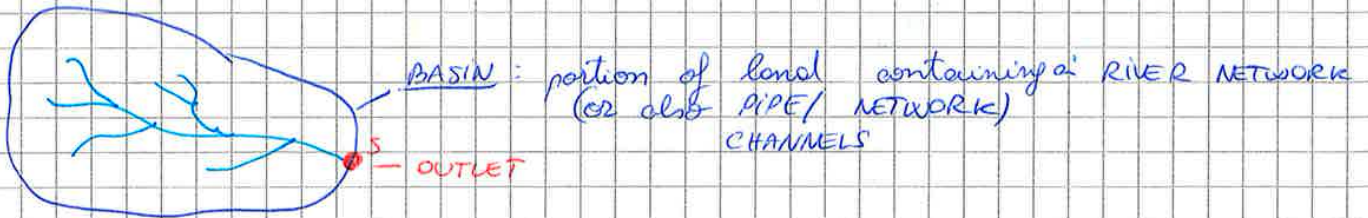
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ARPA (after 2002).

NOAA of USA Climate Prediction Center  
Climate Research Unit (Univ of Anglia) - CRU  
ECMWF for Europe - ERA section.



# CRITICAL DURATION & CRITICAL INTENSITY

## • CRITICAL DURATION



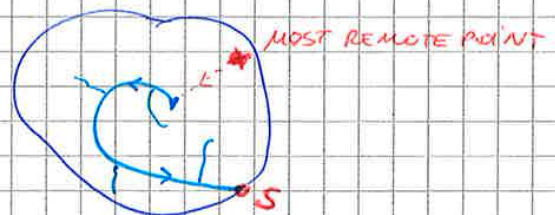
→ Rainfall having

- CONSTANT INTENSITY  $i^*$
- DURATION,  $d$
- UNIFORMLY DISTRIBUTED IN SPACE (it rains in all points in the same way.)

$t_{cp}$  Concentration Time of a certain position in space: is the necessary time for a droplet that is in that point (on the soil) to arrive to the outlet S.

$t_{cb}$  Concentration Time of the basin is the concentr. time of the most hydraulically - remote point in the basin wrt S.  
( $\equiv$  most distance in a hydraulic sense: is the longest path that the droplet follows)

It depends on the drainage characteristics of the basin (length, size, ...) and on the hydraulic characteristics (roughness, speed, friction, slopes, ...).



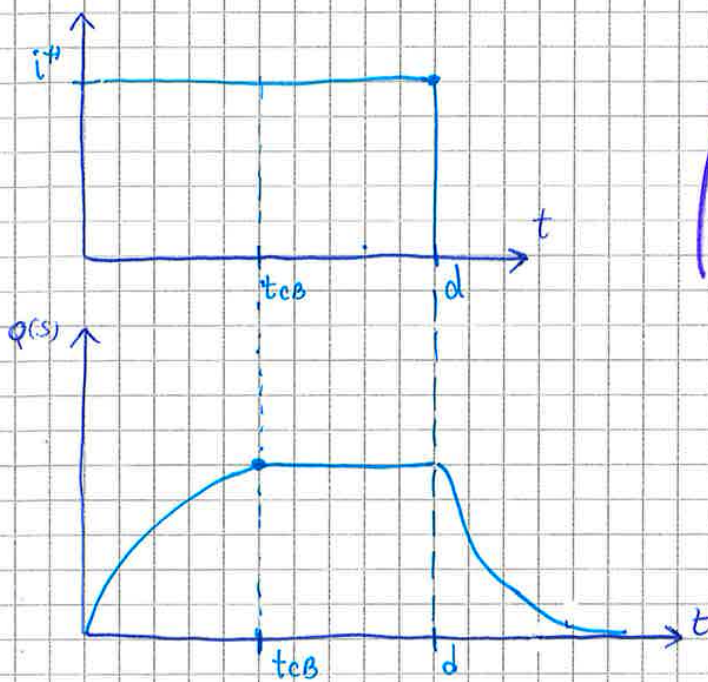
CASE 1  $d < t_{cb}$

All the points get wet at the same time but only the points near the S outlet will produce a flow which exits immediately. For the others we can draw lines with equal concentration time.

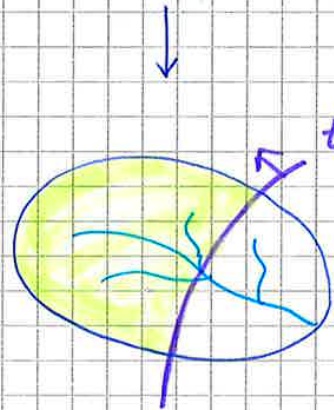
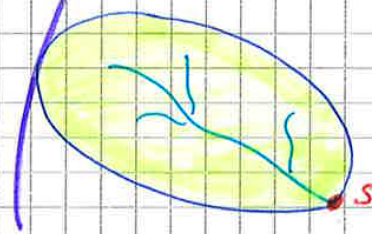


CASE 2

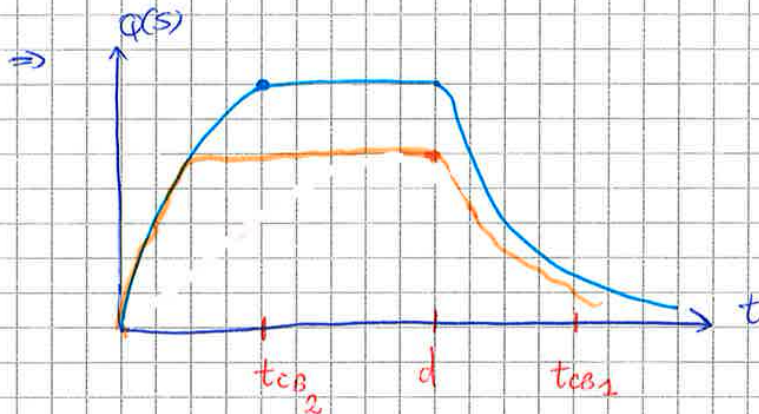
$$d > t_{cb}$$



At  $t_{cb}$  all the basin is contributing



After  $t_{cb}$  the flow  $Q(s)$  is constant (no other area) and when precipitation stops at  $t=d \Rightarrow$  it decreases.



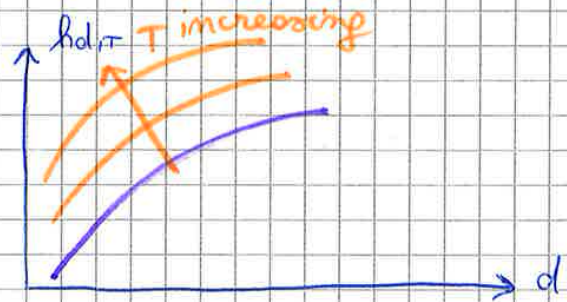
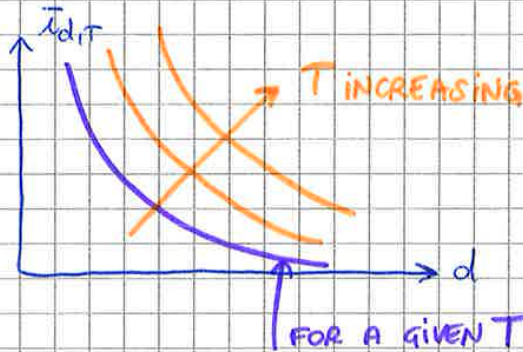


Return period in number of observations:  $T = \frac{n \text{ years}}{n \text{ observations}}$

Typical IDF FORM

$$\bar{i}_{d,T} = \frac{A}{(d+c)^B}, \quad h_{d,T} = \frac{A \cdot d}{(d+c)^B}$$

with  $A, B, c$  coefficients depending on  $T$ .



⇒ If we separate  $d$  and  $T$  we can use the

GUMBEL MODEL FOR CURVES.

$$h_{d,T} = f(d) \cdot f(T)$$

$\downarrow$  DETERMINISTIC PART       $\downarrow$  PROBABILISTIC PART

$$-e^{-\frac{(h-\sigma_1)}{\sigma_2}}$$

means using the Gumbel distribution (well suited for hydrological data)  
 It's also called EV1 (extreme value 1).

$$P(h_{d,T}) = e^{-e^{-\frac{(h-\sigma_1)}{\sigma_2}}}$$

Parameters are defined with the method of moments:

$$\hat{\sigma}_{2,d} = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\pi} S_{h,d}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_{1,d} = \bar{h}_d - \gamma_E \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\pi} S_{h,d}$$

where  $\bar{h}_d, S_{h,d}$  are the mean and the st deviation of the sample for duration  $d$ .

$$h_{d,T} = \hat{\sigma}_{1,d} - \hat{\sigma}_{2,d} \cdot \ln \left[ -\ln \left( 1 - \frac{1}{T} \right) \right]$$

$$h_{d,T} = \bar{h}_d - \gamma_E \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\pi} S_{h,d} - \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\pi} S_{h,d} \cdot \ln \left[ -\ln \left( 1 - \frac{1}{T} \right) \right] =$$

$$= \bar{h}_d \cdot \left\{ 1 - \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\pi} \cdot \left( \frac{S_{h,d}}{\bar{h}_d} \right) \left[ \gamma_E + \ln \left[ -\ln \left( 1 - \frac{1}{T} \right) \right] \right] \right\} =$$

$$= \bar{h}_d \cdot f(T) = \bar{h}_d = K_T$$

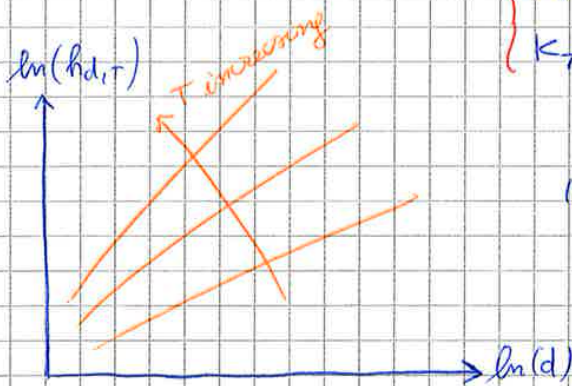
↓ DEPENDS ONLY ON  $T$

$\frac{S_{h,d}}{\bar{h}_d} = CV_d \Rightarrow CV$   
 use a constant value not depending on  $d$



⇒ complete form :  $h_{d,T} = a \cdot d^n K_T$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} a, n \text{ derived from data (determ. part)} \\ K_T \text{ derived from Gumbel model and } T \end{array} \right.$



IDF curves are straight lines.

!  $[a] = [\text{mm}]$

$a \in [15; 50] \text{ mm}$  how severe are extreme events

!  $n \in [0.2; 0.6]$

!  $K_T > 1$

~ END OF MATHEMATICAL MODEL & DEVELOPMENT OF IDF CURVES ~

$$\frac{m}{s} = 3600 \cdot 10^3 \frac{\text{mm}}{h}$$



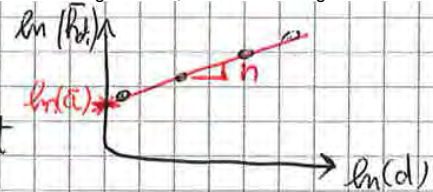
## 2) Find $\bar{a}$ and $n$ :

- Compute  $\ln(\bar{h}_i)$  and  $\ln(d_i)$  and plot
- Fit the tendency line and show equation:

$$y = \frac{0,2491}{n} x + \frac{3,3813}{\ln(a)}$$

$$\text{so find } a = \exp(3,3813) \approx 29,41 \text{ mm}$$

$$n = 0,2491$$



## 3) Find $Q_{out}(y)$ and $i_T(d)$ = critical intensity:

Chow formula

$$Q_{out}(y = 0.4 \text{ m}) = 0.397 \cdot 65 \cdot 0.4^{2.666} \sqrt{0.003} = 0.123 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{s}}$$

- From the formula  $Q = i \cdot \text{Area} \cdot \text{Cronoff}$ , with  $\text{Cronoff} = 1$ , find  $i$  putting  $Q_{ground} = Q_{out}$ :

$$i = \frac{Q_{out}}{\text{Area} \cdot \text{Cronoff}} = \frac{0.123 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{s}}}{10000 \text{ m}^2 \cdot 1} = 3600 \cdot 10^3 \approx 44,22 \frac{\text{mm}}{\text{h}}$$

## 4) Find the concentration time $t_{ca}$ (parking lot $\approx$ basin)

- It's the time of the most distant particle to reach the pipe

$$L = L_1 + L_2 + L_3 = 10 \text{ m} + 50 \text{ m} + 100 \text{ m} = 160 \text{ m}$$

$$t_{ca} = \frac{L_1}{V_1} + \frac{L_2}{V_2} + \frac{L_3}{V_3} = \frac{10 \text{ m}}{0.02 \text{ m/s}} + \frac{50}{0.1} + \frac{100}{0.1} = 2000 \text{ s} \approx 0,555 \text{ h}$$

## 5) Find $K_T$ :

$$K_T = \frac{i}{\bar{a} \cdot t_{ca}^{n-1}} = \frac{44,22 \frac{\text{mm}}{\text{h}}}{29,41 \text{ mm} \cdot 0,555^{(0,2491-1)} \text{ h}^{(0,2491-1)}} = 0,967 \cdot \text{h}^{0,2491}$$

## 6) Find $P_{non exceed} = 1 - \frac{1}{T}$ and $P_{exceedance} = \frac{1}{T}$

$$\left[ \dots \right] = \frac{1 - K_T}{\bar{a} V} ; \ln \left[ -\ln \left( 1 - \frac{1}{T} \right) \right] = \frac{1 - K_T}{\bar{a} V} \cdot \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{6}} - \gamma_E ;$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \frac{1}{T} = \exp(-\exp(z)) \approx 0,53 = 53\%$$

$$\Rightarrow P_{exceed} = \frac{1}{T} \approx 47\%$$

$\Rightarrow T = 2,12$  years return period.  $\Rightarrow$  Every 2 years (more or less) the probability that  $Q_{rainfall} > Q_{pipe}$  is about 47% (it's a problem).



# ASSIGNMENT 1

Design of the river banks' maximum height at a given river section

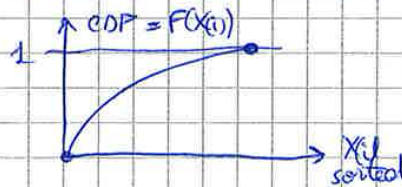
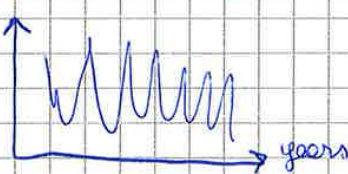
Measurements of the annual max discharge ( $\frac{m^3}{s}$ ) of the Sora Baltes River at Trognaux.

Relation between water level and discharge in presence of the embankments.

$$Q = 142 \cdot (h + 0.05)^{1.81} \quad Q = \text{discharge}; \quad h = \text{water level.}$$

① Plot the time series and CDF and describe the sample

$X_i = Q$



$$F(X(i)) = \frac{i}{N} \quad i = \text{position } 1, \dots, 74$$

$$N = 74$$

• Mean  $\bar{Q} = 834.74 \frac{m^3}{s}$

Mean  $(x = \ln Q) = 6.597$

• Variance =  $246.474, 9 \frac{m^6}{s^2}$

Variance  $(x = \ln Q) = 12$

• Standard deviation =  $496.46 \frac{m^3}{s}$

Std dev  $(x = \ln Q) = 0.488$

• CV = 0.59

• CA = 2.32

② Probability plot <sup>test</sup>: find the PP =  $\frac{i}{N+1}$  (empirical) and plot the reduced variate  $U_i(PP)$ .

for exponential, normal, Gumbel and log-normal  $\rightarrow$  ! you must use for the log-normal the  $x = \ln(Q)$ .

All the distributions pass this test

③ Estimate the parameters  $\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3$  using the method of moments and the L-moments and plot the distributions with the parameters (for example using the  $\theta$  found from the method of moments). for exponential, normal, Gumbel, GEV, log-normal.

|          | MOMENTS    |            |            | L-MOMENTS  |            |            |
|----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
|          | $\theta_1$ | $\theta_2$ | $\theta_3$ | $\theta_1$ | $\theta_2$ | $\theta_3$ |
| EXP      | 834.74     | —          | —          | 834.74     | —          | —          |
| NORM     | 834.74     | 496.46     | —          | 834.74     | 370.29     | —          |
| GUMBEL   | 611.20     | 387.29     | —          | 638.44     | 340.10     | —          |
| GEV      | 606.94     | 311.901    | -0.135     | 604.72     | 251.25     | -0.258     |
| LOG-NORM | 6.58       | 0.55       | —          | 1.88       | 0.07       | —          |

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RECALL

- Gumbel Model for precipitation.

$$h_{d,T} = \bar{h}_d \cdot K_T$$

depends  
on duration

depends on return period

Other models can be used:

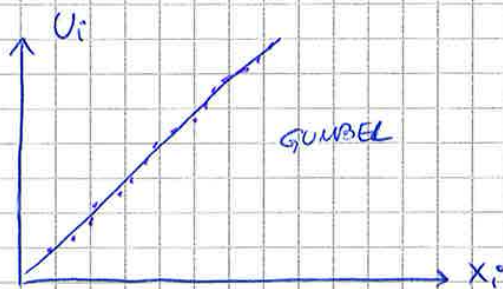
LOG - NORMAL MODEL

$$P(h_{d,T}) = \phi \left( \frac{\ln(h_{d,T}) - \sigma_1}{\sigma_2} \right) \rightarrow \text{STANDARD NORMAL DISTRIBUTION}$$

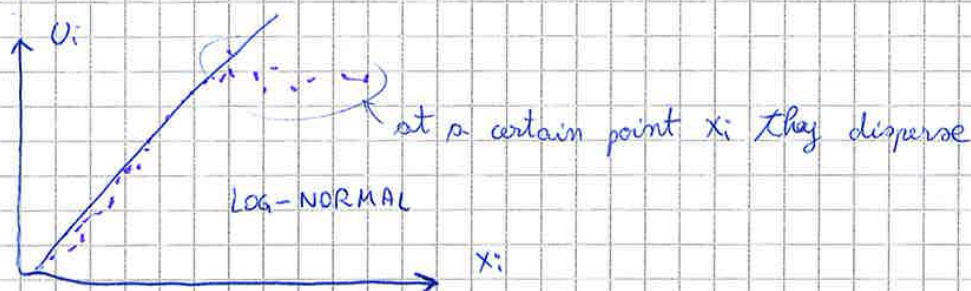
$$\ln(h_{d,T}) = \sigma_{1,d} + \sigma_{2,d} \Phi^{-1} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{T} \right) \rightarrow \text{the parameters depend on the duration.}$$

⇒ TRANSFORM DATA INTO  $\ln(h_{d,T})$ , ⇒ REPEATED FOR ALL  $d = 1h, 3h, 6h, \dots$

⇒ In order to determine which model to use, we can study the probabilistic plots.



$$u_i(F(X_i))$$



⇒ In this example we must choose Gumbel.



If we change the return period  $T$  from the beginning  $\Rightarrow$  also the linear equation will change.

4) Generic IDF form:  $h_{d,T} = a_T \cdot d^{n_T}$  ( $a$  and  $n$  are generic coefficients)

! From the linear interpolation, one can have the  $h_{d,T}$  for  $d = 10h$

DEPTHS

$$h = \bar{x} \cdot d$$

INTENSITY

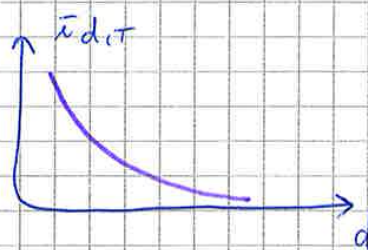
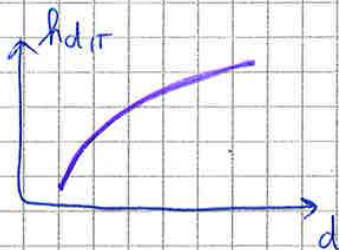
$$\bar{x} = \frac{h}{d}$$

$$h_{d,T} = a_T \cdot d^{n_T}$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{x}_{d,T} = a_T \cdot d^{n_T-1}$$

$\hookrightarrow$  average intensity for a given duration  $d$  and a given return time  $T$ .

•  $n_T \in 0.2 \div 0.6 < 1 \Rightarrow d^{n_T-1} < 0$



$$\lim_{d \rightarrow 0} \bar{x}_{d,T} = \infty$$

If duration goes to 0 intensity goes to  $\infty$ , but  $\nexists$  sense.

So  $\exists$  IDF curves for short durations. ( $d < 1h$ )



$h_{day}$   
DAILY RAINFALL  
DEPTH

$9_{am} - 9_{am}$

$h_{24}$   
MAXIM. DEPTH  
OVER 24 HOURS

$3:15_{am} - 3:15_{am}$

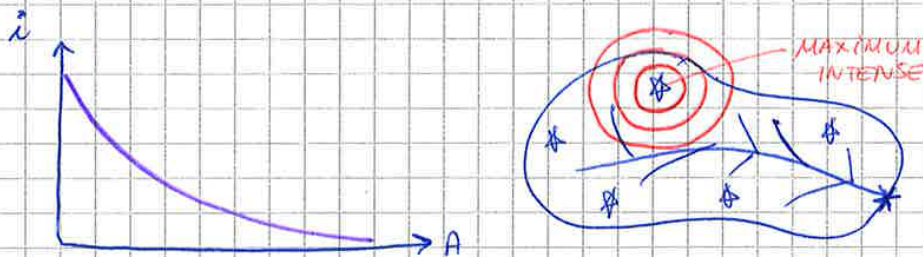
$$\alpha = 1.1 \div 1.2$$

POINT MEASUREMENTS

MEAN PRECIPITATION OVER AN AREA

↳ AREAL PRECIPITATION  $h_{AREA}$  [mm]

Very Intense precipit. are also local ones.



One tends to take the maximum  $h_d$  over a gauge where this storm happened, but this is also an overestimation, because it means that if we take that value we calculate for all the basin everything using that maximum value. → use ARF.

- COMPUTE AREAL PRECIPITATION
- INFER ( $h_{area}$ ) FROM POINT MEASUREMENTS ( $h_{point}$ )

AREAL REDUCTION FACTOR

$$ARF(d, T, A) = \frac{h_a(d, T, A)}{h_p(d, T)}$$

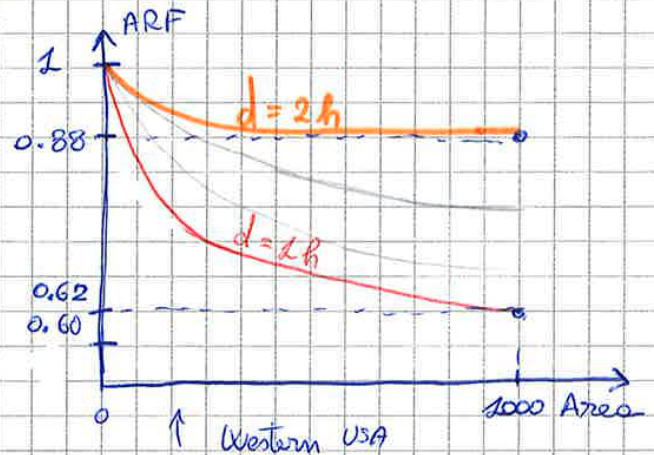
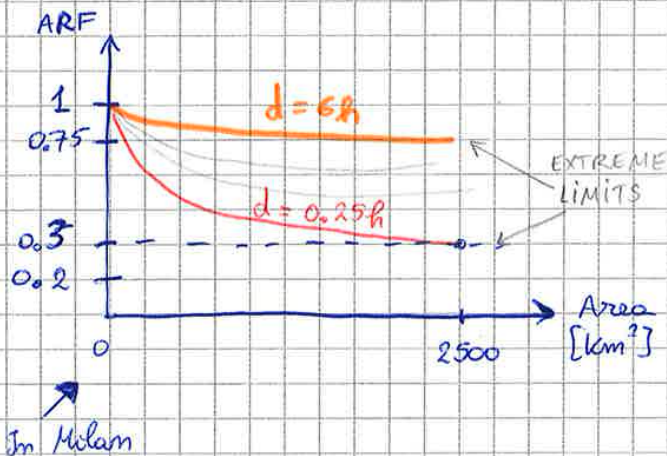
⇒ It's a reduction factor because the larger is the area and the smaller will become our value.

! if  $T < 20 \div 30$  years : ARF DOES NOT DEPEND ON T.



ARF can be defined in different ways: GRAPHICAL, TABULAR, EQUATION

EXPRESSIONS:



OK:  $ARF = 1 - a \cdot d^b$  ! [TO KNOW: - type of equation: powered - limits: 1]

$$a = 0.0394 \cdot A^{0.354}$$

$$b = \begin{cases} 0.40 - 0.0208 \cdot \ln(4.6 - \ln A) & \text{if } A < 20 \text{ km}^2 \\ 0.40 - 0.00382 (4.6 - \ln A)^2 & \text{if } A \in 20 \div 100 \text{ km}^2 \end{cases}$$

FRANCE:  $ARF = A^{-\epsilon}$   $\epsilon \approx 0.5$

$$\epsilon = (0.04 - 0.0332 \log(d)) \cdot (A^{0.105} - 0.73) \quad \text{for } A < 200 \text{ hectares} \\ d < 1 \text{ h}$$

⇒ Build IDF curves for areal precipitation.

$$h_{area}(d, T, A) = a_T \cdot d^{\eta} \cdot ARF(d, A)$$

GENERAL  
EXPRESSION OF  
IDF CURVE.

WHAT'S NEXT...

→ Measuring areal precipitation ( $h_{area}$ )

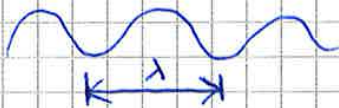
→ Computation of spatially-averaged precipitation.



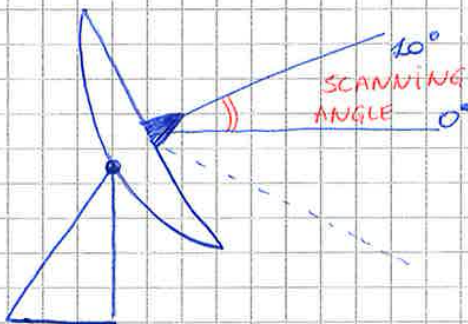


The power of the reflected signal depends on the number of droplets (volume of water of the precipitation). Emission occurs in pulses so  $\exists$  the TIME:

WAITING TIME between emission and reception is a function of distance. (The direction is also registered). The inclination of the emitter is



between  $0^\circ$  and  $10^\circ$  (in case the antenna is on a mountain, it can go under the horizontal direction. They can measure up to



10000 km around them.

**RADAR REFLECTIVITY FACTOR (Z) [ $\mu\text{m}^6/\text{m}^3$ ]**

depends on the integral of the drop size distribution.

$$\text{dBZ} \propto \log_{10} \left( \frac{Z}{Z_0} \right)$$

dBZ = decibel relative to Z  
Z = radar reflectivity factor.

$Z_0$  = standard signal for 1 mm drop.

But it's difficult to convert dBZ into real precipitation at ground level, because also clouds are made by droplets.

$$i \propto a \cdot Z^b$$

One can <sup>make</sup> an accurate calibration by relating it to the rain gauges at the ground level.

**COLOURED RADAR MAPS:** red - violet are areas where dBZ is more intense but one have to calculate if it rains or not.



## SATELLITES

We can measure the TEMPERATURE / HUMIDITY PROFILE;

WATER AND WATER VAPOUR

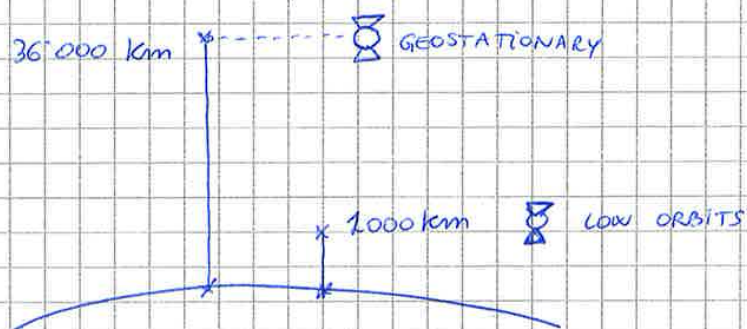
WIND RADIATION

LOW SPATIAL DISTRIBUTION

NEED A COMPLEX CALIBRATION

POST - PROCESSING OF DATA

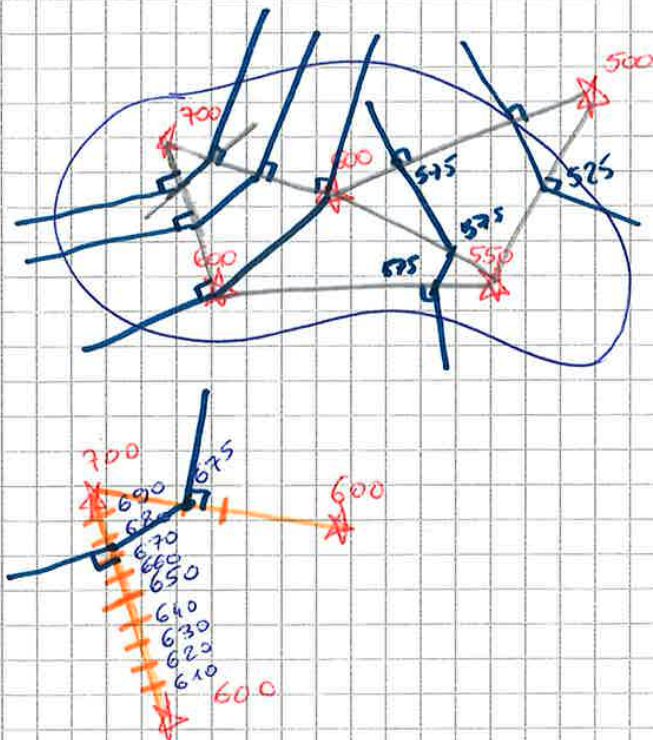
### 3 GEOSTATIONARY OR ORBITS SATELLITES



Project of low orbit satellite that carries X-radar around Earth



## 2 ISOHYETAL METHOD



1) I have to know for ex. the mean annual [mm] of each gauge.

2) Draw the isohyetal lines that are lines connecting equal precipitation.:

2.1) Connect nearby gauges

2.2) Perform divisions in equal parts of that line between the values.

2.3) Starting from the higher value 700 which is a point. Connect 675 and 675 on 2 lines and draw the  $\perp$  to them.

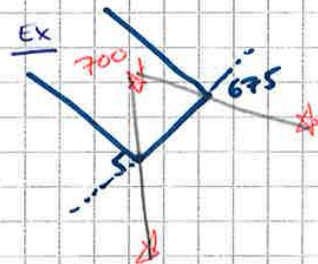
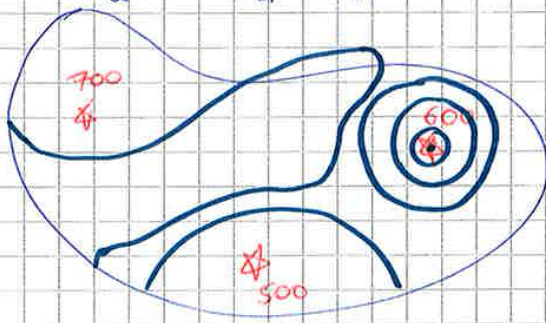
3) Compute the integral:

$$P_{AREA} = \frac{1}{A_b} \int_{A_b} P(x,y) dA$$

With this method  $\exists$  a continuity between values. But it's more complex, and also the isohyetal lines can be non linear., in fact softwares are used.

! This lines can change in time because the annual measurements (and also after each precipitation event) data on gauges change

Ex: different types of areas.



We can choose to draw the  $\perp$  in this way. The choice is subjective. First we have to choose the rule then follow it for each application.



### 3 REC. DIST. METHOD

$$P = 150 \left( \frac{\frac{1}{10}}{\frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{20}} \right) + 100 \left( \frac{\frac{1}{20}}{\frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{20}} \right) =$$

$$= 150 \cdot \frac{20}{3 \cdot 10} + 100 \cdot \frac{20}{3 \cdot 20} =$$

$$= 133,4 \text{ mm}$$

### 4 REC. DIST. SQ. METHODS

$$P = 150 \left( \frac{\frac{1}{10^2}}{\frac{1}{10^2} + \frac{1}{20^2}} \right) + 100 \left( \frac{\frac{1}{20^2}}{\frac{1}{10^2} + \frac{1}{20^2}} \right) =$$

$$= 150 \left( \frac{\frac{1}{100}}{\frac{1}{100} + \frac{1}{400}} \right) + 100 \left( \frac{\frac{1}{400}}{\frac{1}{100} + \frac{1}{400}} \right) =$$

$$= 150 \cdot \frac{400}{5 \cdot 100} + 100 \cdot \frac{400}{5 \cdot 400} =$$

$$= 140 \text{ mm}$$

## 5 KRIGING METHOD

It's a geostatistical method, complex, for large areas.

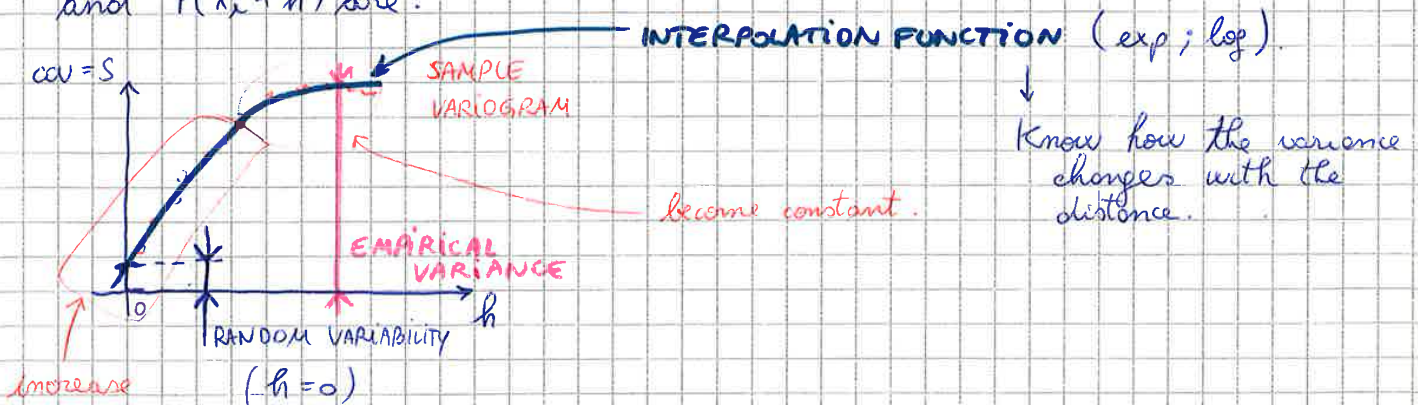
The assumption is that 2 points having distance  $h$  are related by a quantity called COVARIANCE.



! Here we don't find  $P$  directly.

$$1) \text{ cov} = S(h) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N P(X_i) \cdot P(X_i + h) - \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N P(X_i) \cdot \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N P(X_i + h) \right]$$

The  $\text{cov}(h) = S(h)$  determines how similar the measurements  $P(X_i)$  and  $P(X_i + h)$  are.

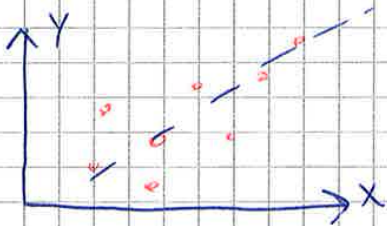




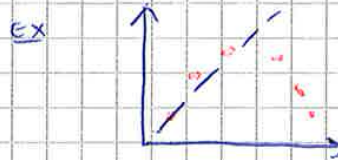
# Linear Regression Models

It describes a deterministic (linear) relationship between  $x$  and  $y$  (+ NOISE).  
 $y$  = scalar dependent variable ;  $x$  = independent variables = regressor  
 Could a linear relation describe the dependency of  $y$  on  $x$ ?

1) ASSESS A DEPENDENCY WITH A SCATTER PLOT. → "grafico di dispersione"



If there is a grouping around a direction → the relation can be linear.



this is no linear.

2) DEFINE THE LINEAR MODEL

$$\begin{cases} y = \hat{y} + \epsilon \\ \hat{y} = b_0 + b_1 x \rightarrow \text{linear} \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{l} \hat{y} = \text{deterministic} \\ \epsilon = \text{noise} \equiv \text{error} \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = (b_0 + b_1 x) + \epsilon \quad \text{REGRESSOR} \quad p=1 : x$$

! A linear model can also be :  $y = b_0 + b_1 \cdot \ln(x) + \epsilon$   
 because it's linear WRT coefficients.

3) ESTIMATE THE PARAMETERS  $b_0, b_1$  :

"LEAST SQUARE METHOD"

"metodo dei minimi quadrati"

$$S_E = \sum_{i=1}^N \epsilon_i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - b_0 - b_1 x_i)^2$$

$N$  = sample size : number of couples  $(x, y)_i$

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## 4) TEST: t - STUDENT TEST

To assess the dependency of  $y$  on  $x$ .

1° HP:  $\hat{b}_1$  is significantly  $\neq 0$ . ( $\hat{b}_1$  = value calculated.)

⇒ the linear relation between  $x$  and  $y$  is significant (level 2)

$b_0, b_1$  are random variables because they come from  $(x_i; y_i)$  which are variables. So  $b_0$  and  $b_1$  have a mean and a variance. Which is their variance?

$$\text{variance}(b_1) = \frac{\sigma_E^2}{S_{xx}}$$

$$\sigma_E^2 = \frac{S_E}{N-2}$$

( $N-2$ ) is like having lost 2 degrees of freedom because we have estimated 2 parameters.

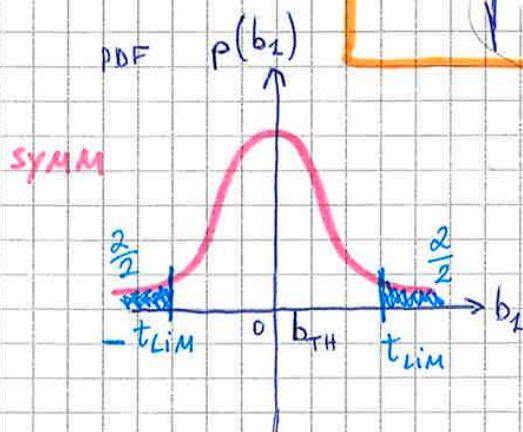
+ 2° HP: if residuals (errors) are normally distributed:  $E \sim N(0, \sigma_E^2)$

$$\Rightarrow b_1 \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\underbrace{b_{TH}}_{\text{theoretical mean of } b_1}, \frac{\sigma_E^2}{S_{xx}}\right)$$

⇒ I can build the TEST VARIABLE  $T$  that has a t-student distribution with  $N-2$  degrees of freedom.

$$T = \frac{\hat{b}_1 - b_{TH}}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_E^2}{S_{xx}}}}$$

We want to know if  $b_{TH} = 0$



dispersion of  $x$  and  $y$

If I am on the tails I can say that  $b_1$  is signif different from 0.

$$\bullet \text{ if } |T| > t_{lim}\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}, N-2\right) \Rightarrow$$

⇒ Dependency = TREND IS SIGNIFICANT



# MULTIVARIATE LINEAR REGRESSION MODELS

① I want to establish the relation (to define)

$$V = b_0 + b_1 X + b_2 Y + b_3 Z + \varepsilon \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{this is linear} \\ \text{in coeff and variables.} \end{array} \right)$$

REGRESSORS  $p$  :  $p=3$  :  $x, y, z$  the variables that I want to connect.

② Define the parameters for (ex with least square method)  
 $\Rightarrow (\hat{b}_0, \hat{b}_1, \hat{b}_2, \hat{b}_3)$   $\rightarrow$  equations are more.

③ Apply t-student test to each parameter ( $b_1, b_2, b_3$ )  $\Rightarrow$  to say which one is significant and which is not.

EX:  $b_1, b_2$  NON SIGNIFICANT  
 $b_3$  SIGNIF.

$\Rightarrow$  The new model with only significant variables:  
 $V = b_0 + b_3 Z + \varepsilon$

④ Recalculate again the parameters (point ②) because this is a different model.

▼ BIVARIATE  $\sigma_{\varepsilon}^2 = \frac{S_{\varepsilon}}{N-2} \rightarrow$  NEW DEGREES OF FREEDOM  $N - (p+1) = N - 2$

MULTIVARIATE :  $\sigma_{\varepsilon}^2 = \frac{S}{N-p-1}$

$\Rightarrow$  t-student :  $t_{\text{Lim}} \left( \frac{\alpha}{2}, N-p-1 \right)$



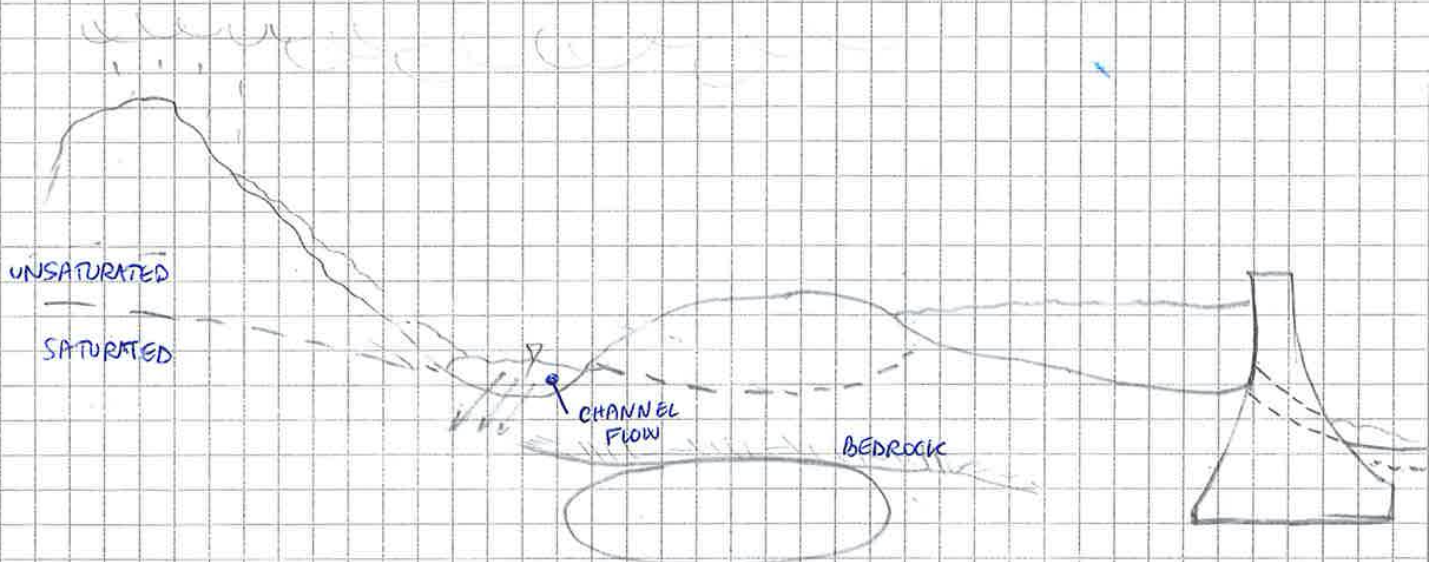
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# PRECIPITATION: WHAT HAPPENS WHEN IT REACHES THE SOIL?



STORAGE : ● RETENTION (LONG TERM, SLOW DYNAMICS, DEPLETED BY EVAPOTRANSPIRATION)

● DETENTION (SHORT TERM, FAST DYNAMICS, DEPLETED BY FLOWS)



SURFACE STORAGE

{ OVERLAND FLOW  
CHANNEL FLOW  
velocity  $10 \div 100 \frac{\text{cm}}{\text{s}}$

SUBSURFACE STORAGE

{ UNSATURATED FLOW  
SATURATED (GROUNDWATER) FLOW  
velocity  $10^{-8} \div 10^{-1} \frac{\text{cm}}{\text{s}}$



Catchments are the medium by which an input (rainfall) is transformed into an output (discharge, runoff).

### RAINFALL - RUNOFF MODELS

The size of a basin can be extremely variable:  $\text{Km}^2 \rightarrow 10'000 \text{ Km}^2$   
 urban area      regions / countries

There are different types:

- (URBAN):
- industrial / commercial areas
  - residential
  - rural areas
  - natural areas
- more waterproof  
 ↓  
 more infiltration

1) Fix the outlet

2) Trace back the path followed by a droplet.

! There are some cases (Aral lake) where there is no outlet.

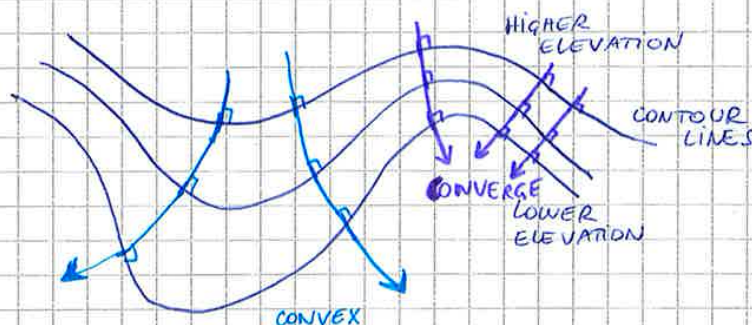
## Drainage Network & Topography (DN)

DN shapes topography (erosion, sediment, long time scale)

DN is shaped by topography

same  $z$  level isobars

Topography is expressed by contour lines: ISOHYPES. Water flows by gravity, perpendicular to the contour lines from higher to lower  $z$ .





To enable comparisons between basins  $\Rightarrow$  use normalization.

$$\xi = \frac{z - z_{\min}}{z_{\max} - z_{\min}} \quad \eta = \frac{A_i}{A_b}$$



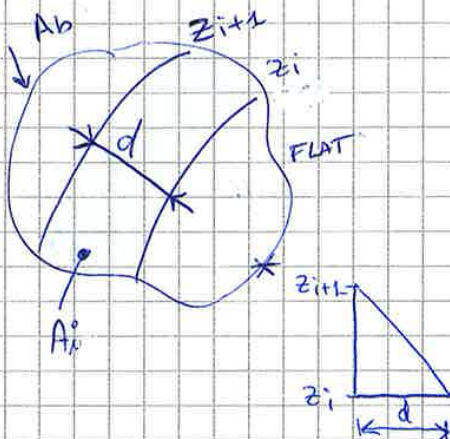
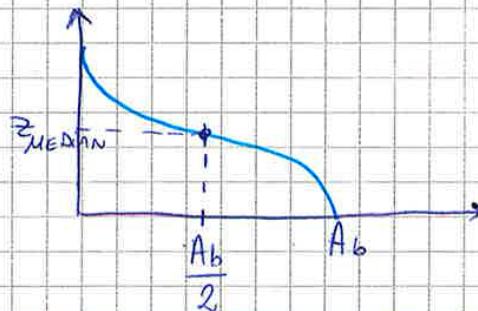
For higher elevation only a small area is in the basin.  
Drop of elevation near the outlet.  
In the middle there is a large flatter area.



Higher elevations are present in a bigger area.  
After this, there is a quite constant decrease of high.

MEDIAN ALTITUDE  $z_M$

MEAN ALTITUDE  $z_a$

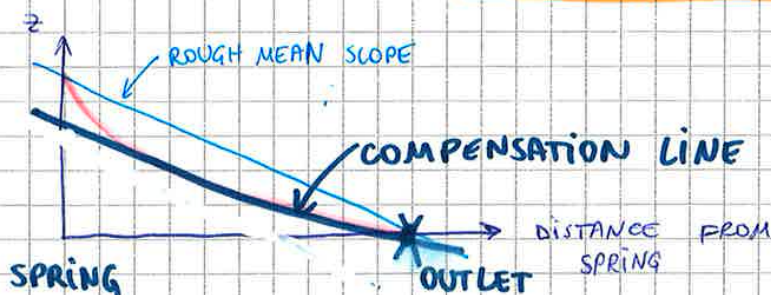


$$z_a = \sum_i \left( \frac{z_i + z_{i+1}}{2} \cdot \frac{A_i}{A_b} \right) \quad \text{or } \bar{z} = \frac{\sum z_i A_i}{A_{\text{TOT}}}$$

SLOPE OF CATCHMENT :

$$\text{SLOPE} = \frac{z_{i+1} - z_i}{d} = \frac{z_{i+1} - z_i}{\left( \frac{A_b}{L_{\text{CONTOUR LINES}}} \right)}$$

SLOPE OF STREAM






- FORM FACTOR**  
 ("fattore di forma")
 
$$FF = \frac{A_b}{L_{ms}^2} [1]$$


$$\frac{\text{Basin area}}{(\text{length of the main stream})^2}$$
- ELONGATION FACTOR**  
 ("rapporto di allungamento")
 
$$EF = \frac{L_{ms}}{\sqrt{A_b}} [1]$$

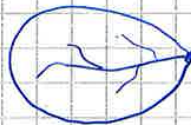
$$\frac{\text{length of the main stream}}{\sqrt{\text{basin area}}}$$
- CIRCULARITY FACTOR**  
 ("rapporto di circolarità")
 
$$CF = \frac{A_b \cdot 4\pi}{P^2} [1]$$

$$\frac{4\pi \cdot \text{basin area}}{\text{perimeter of an equivalent circle}^2}$$
- UNIFORMITY FACTOR (GRAVELIUS INDEX)**  
 ("coefficiente di uniformità")
 
$$UF = \frac{P_b}{2 \cdot \sqrt{A_b}} [1]$$

$$\frac{\text{basin perimeter}}{2 \sqrt{\pi} \cdot \sqrt{\text{area of an equivalent circle}}}$$

MOST ELONGATED :   $UF = 1.6$

  $UF = 1.3$

CLOSE TO A CIRCLE :   $UF = 1.1$

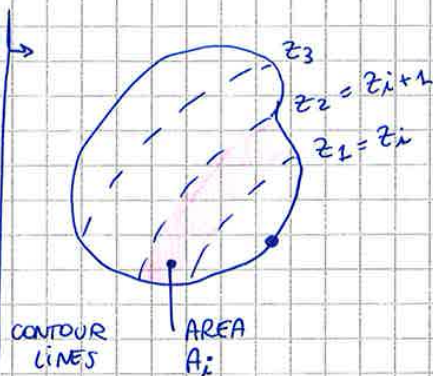
$$\frac{A_b}{\pi R^2} = \frac{4\pi A_b}{4\pi^2 R^2} = \frac{4\pi A_b}{(2\pi R)^2}$$

$$\frac{P_b}{2\pi R} = \frac{P_b}{2\sqrt{\pi^2 R^2}} = \frac{P_b}{2\sqrt{A_b}}$$

$$\frac{P_b}{2\pi R} = \frac{P_b}{2\sqrt{\pi^2 R^2}} = \frac{P_b}{2\sqrt{A_b}}$$

**ELEVATION** (median or mean altitude, hypsographic curve...)

**SLOPE** : **ALVARO - HORTON METHOD FOR SLOPE** :



⇒ LOCAL SLOPE OF  $A_i$  :

$$S_i = \frac{z_{i+1} - z_i}{d_i} = \frac{\Delta z}{d \approx l}$$

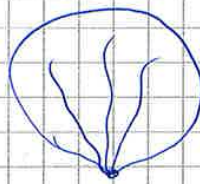
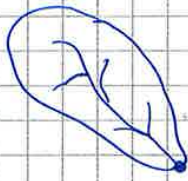
$$= \frac{d_i}{\left(\frac{A_i}{l_i}\right)}$$

It would be better to take the  $l_{i+\frac{1}{2}}$  (middle line) of the area, but if it is discrete very small it's good

because the distance between two contour lines changes so we need to take a sort of mean defined in that way.



## \* STREAM NETWORK



$$\left[ \frac{\text{km}}{\text{km}^2} \right]$$

*"estensione della rete"*  
total length of rivers

$$\text{DRAINAGE DENSITY} = \frac{L_{\text{TOT, STREAMS}}}{A_b}$$

as high as  $0.93 - 1.24 \left[ \frac{1}{\text{km}} \right]$

\* Denser network means a more rapid and complete response of the basin to the precipitations.

## HORTON - STRAHLER THEORY

• Streams are formed by trunks

- origin in springs or junctions

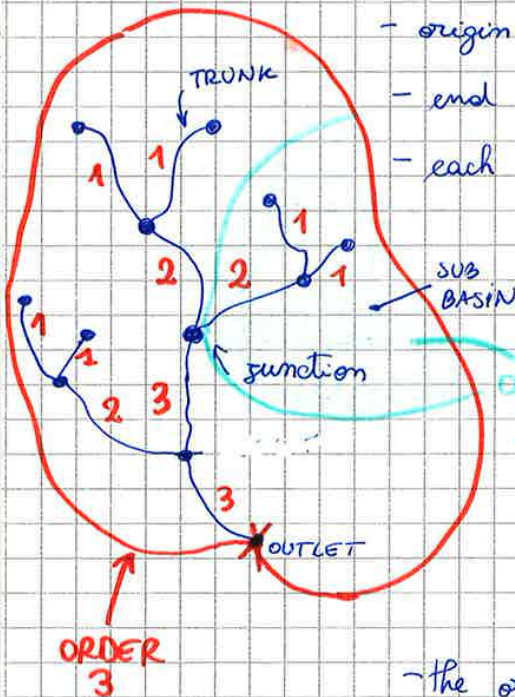
- end in junctions or outlet

- each trunk is characterise by an order:

• all the head trunks : order 1

• two trunks of same order  $i$  joining; they generate a trunk of order  $i+1$

• if two trunks meet of different order meet, the order will remain the same as the biggest  $i \oplus (i+1) \rightarrow (i+1)$



- the order of the catchment = order of outlet trunk :

the higher is the order, the most complicated is the shape and the network of the basin.

ex \ rivers in central Italy : order  $7 \div 8$

\ Mississippi order 10.

\ Amazon river order 12.

\ 80% of world's rivers are order  $1 \div 3$



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# CONCENTRATION TIME OF THE CATCHMENT

GIANDOTTI :  $t_{cb} [h] = \frac{4 \sqrt{A_b [km^2]} + 1.5 L_{ms} [km]}{0.8 \sqrt{(z_m - z_{min}) [m]}}$

KIRPICH :  $t_{cb} [h] = 0.000325 \cdot L_{ms} [m]^{0.77} S^{-0.385}$   
 $S$   $\rightarrow$  slope of the catchment

VALID FOR ROUGH BEDS (SMALL VELOCITIES):

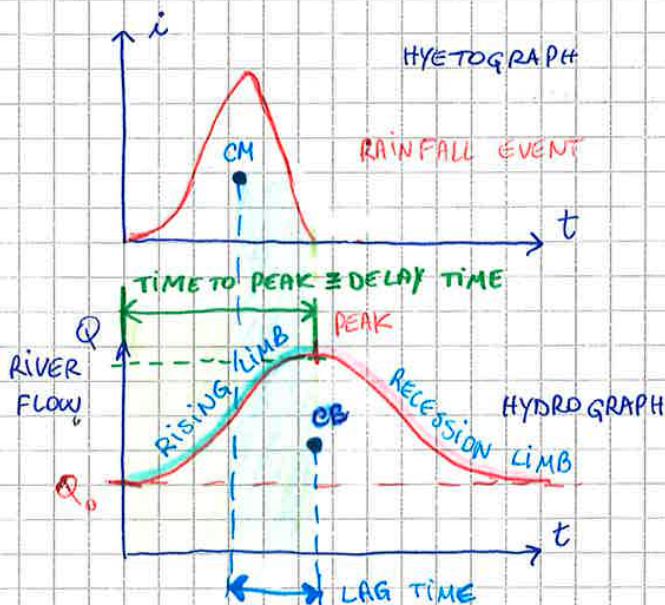
- FOR CONCRETE SURFACES  $t_{cb} (KIRPICH) = 0.4$
- FOR CONCRETE SURFACES + CHANNELS  $t_{cb} (KIRPICH) = 0.2$
- FOR HIGHER VELOCITIES

SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE (FOR AGRICULTURAL BASINS)

$$t_{cb} [h] = 0.00227 \cdot L_{ms} [m]^{0.8} \cdot \left[ \frac{100}{CN} - 9 \right]^{0.7} \cdot S^{-0.7}$$

CN = curve number : characterizes the type of soil and its usage.

## LAG TIME ("tempo di attesa")



The event is concentrated in a small time interval. The intensity is very high.

After the event, the Q returns to its initial state Q<sub>0</sub>.

LAG TIME: is the distance (in time) between the 2 CMs.



## A UNIFORM HYETOGRAPH

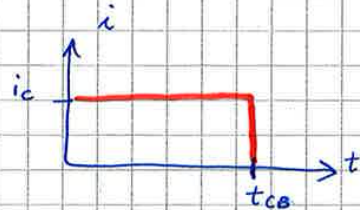
(Easiest) Design storm with constant rainfall intensity.

- Duration = Concentration time.
- Intensity (constant) derived from IDF curve

$$i_{d,T} = a \cdot d^{n-1} \cdot K_T \quad \text{Average intensity}$$

→ critical intensity  $i_c$ :

$$i_c = a \cdot t_{cb}^{n-1} \cdot K_T$$



→ regular rectangular shape

⇒ But we have to consider time:

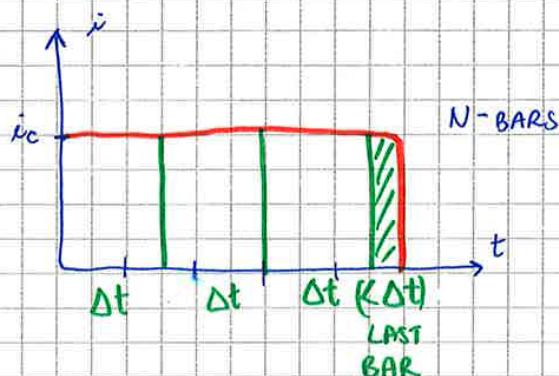
DEFINE COMPUTATION TIME STEP  $\Delta t$  and COMPUTE THE NUMBER OF STEPS  $\frac{t_{cb}}{\Delta t}$  ex:  $\frac{3 \text{ hours}}{10 \text{ min}} = 18$

But usually there are no integers:  $\frac{2.3457 \text{ h}}{10 \text{ min}} = 17.07 \dots$

⇒ so we have to take the upper integer number:

$$\text{INT}_{\text{UP}} \left( \frac{t_{cb}}{\Delta t} \right)$$

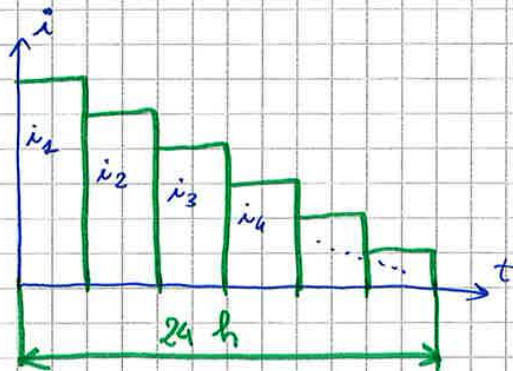
⇒ Now we have to discretize the hyetograph:



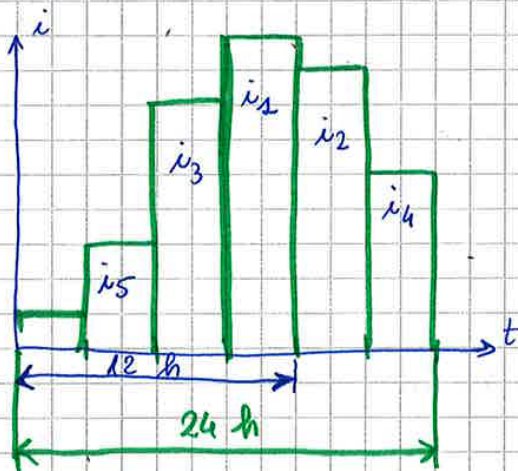


- ⇒ POSITIONING OF BLOCKS :
- INITIAL PEAK
  - END PEAK (not much used)
  - CENTRAL PEAK

INITIAL PEAK :



CENTRAL PEAK



Put the maximum in the center at 12 hours; then the second on the right and the third on the left, and so on...



This representation is consistent with an IDF curve. The sequence  $i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4, \dots$  are all intensities referred to time steps  $\Delta t$ , so they are different from the values obtained with IDF curves.

$$i_{IDF} = a \cdot d^{n-1} K_T$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} a \cdot \underline{\Delta t}^{n-1} \cdot K_T \\ a \cdot \underline{(2\Delta t)}^{n-1} \cdot K_T \\ a \cdot \underline{(3\Delta t)}^{n-1} \cdot K_T \\ \vdots \end{cases} \downarrow \text{INCREASING TIME}$$

But here we used the same time  $\Delta t$ .





## WATER CONTENT

↳ varies with depth  
 $\theta(z)$

$$\theta = \frac{V_L}{V_A + V_L + V_S}$$

$$\theta \in [0 \div n]$$

$\downarrow$  COMPLETELY DRY       $\downarrow$  POROSITY

RELATIVE WATER CONTENT  $\equiv$  SOIL MOISTURE ("indice di saturazione")

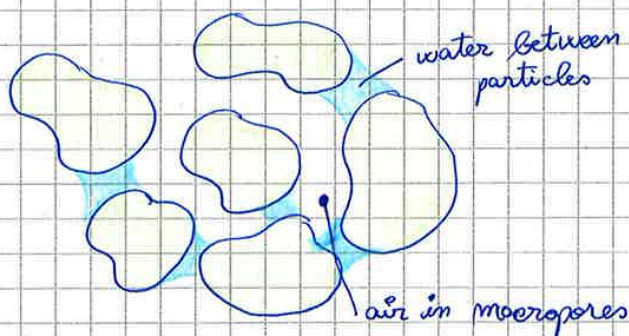
$$\rho = \frac{\theta}{n}$$

$$\rho \in [0 \leq \rho \leq 1]$$

COMPLETELY DRY SOIL

SATURATED SOIL

CROSS SECTION OF A SOIL:



MOTION OF WATER IN SOIL (DARCY EQ)

$$\vec{q} = -K_x \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \vec{i} - K_y \frac{\partial h}{\partial y} \vec{j}$$

$$\left( -K_z \cdot \frac{\partial h}{\partial z} \vec{k} \right)$$

FLOW PER UNIT AREA  $\left[ \frac{m}{s} \right]$

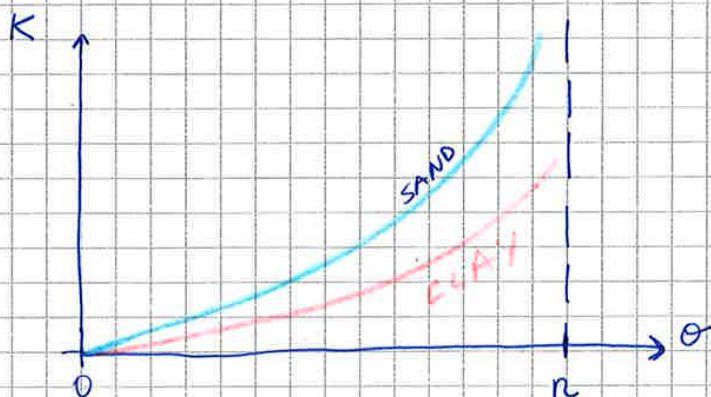
⇒

$$\vec{q} \propto K \frac{\partial h}{\partial \text{space}}$$

$K$  = hydraulic conductivity

$h$  = piezometric head.

$K$  depends on the water content in the soil: (already present):



$K$  increases with  $\theta$ .



## VERTICAL FLOW

$$\vec{q}_z = -k(\theta) \cdot \frac{dh}{dz} \vec{k} = -k(\theta) \frac{d}{dz} (z + \psi(\theta)) \cdot \vec{k} =$$

$$= -k(\theta) \left[ 1 + \frac{d\psi}{d\theta} \cdot \frac{d\theta}{dz} \right] \cdot \vec{k}$$

if we know the relation between  $\psi$  and  $\theta$ , this derivative is defined: USE THE EMPIRICAL RELATION (FOR EX).

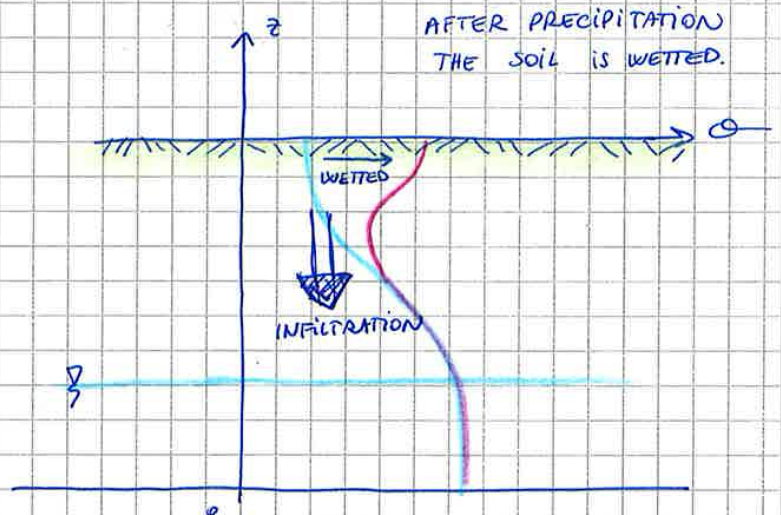
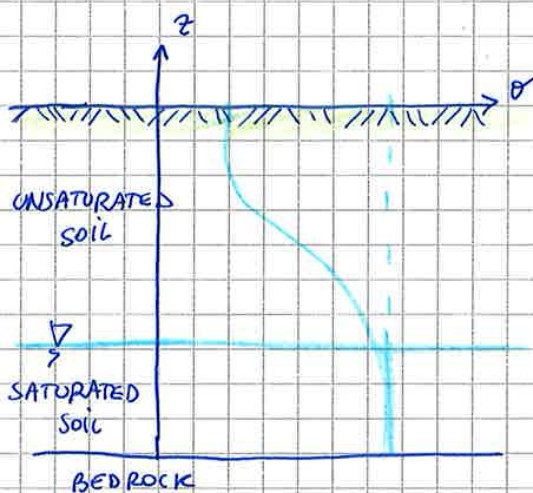
Vertical profile of flow given by the VARIATION OF THE GRAVITY FORCE & PRESSURE FORCE.

$$\vec{F}_g = \vec{p} \Rightarrow \text{no motion}$$

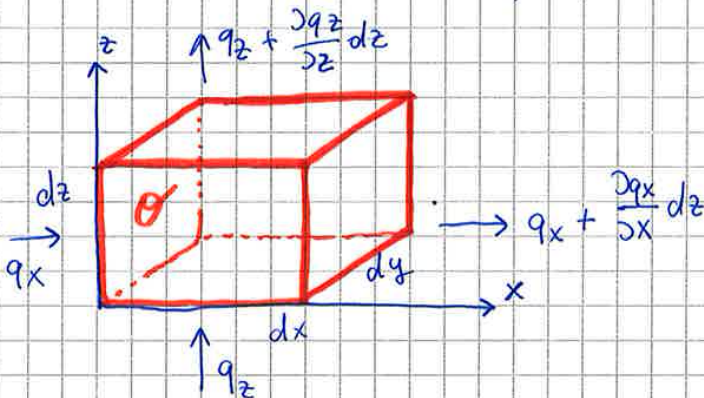
$$\vec{F}_g > \vec{p} \Rightarrow \downarrow$$

$$\vec{F}_g < \vec{p} \Rightarrow \uparrow$$

## VERTICAL PROFILE



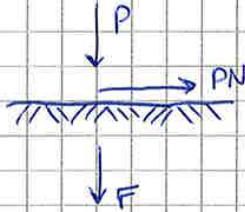
## RICHARD'S EQUATION → CONTINUITY EQUATION



The amount of water entering is equal to the amount of water exiting plus modifications that happened inside.



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GOAL: QUANTIFY THE NET INFILTRATION

PN = precipitation networks : contributes to the peak runoff. (hydrograph)

F = infiltration.

Richard's equation:  
in vertical direction.

$$\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left[ K(\theta) \left( 1 + \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \theta} \cdot \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial z} \right) \right] =$$

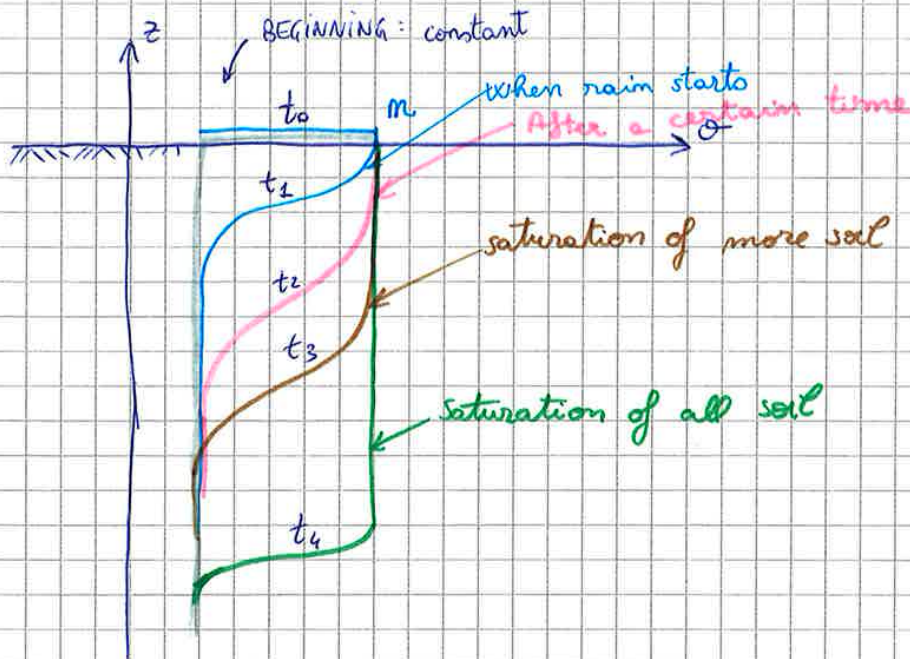
$\theta$  = soil water content

$\psi$  = soil matric potential

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left[ K(\theta) + \underbrace{\left( K(\theta) \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \theta} \right)}_{\text{DIFFUSIVITY } D} \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial z} \right]$$

DIFFUSIVITY  $D$

precise description.  
but with uncertain info to put in.

SOIL WATER CONTENT VERTICAL PROFILE

CONSTANT DIFFUSIVITY AND HYDRAULIC CONDUCTIVITY:

$$\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial z^2} + \text{constant} \quad \text{DIFFUSION EQUATION}$$



POTENTIAL INFILTRATION RATE  $f_p$   
 (it occurs when  $f$  is max.  $f \leq f_p$ )

CUMULATIVE INFILTRATION  $F$   $\left[ \frac{\text{mm}^3}{\text{m}^2} \right] = [\text{mm}]$

= volume of infiltrated water per unit area of soil surface

$$F(t) = \int_0^t f(\tau) d\tau$$

" time when rainfall starts

$$\Rightarrow f(t) = \frac{dF(t)}{dt}$$

## HORTON MODEL

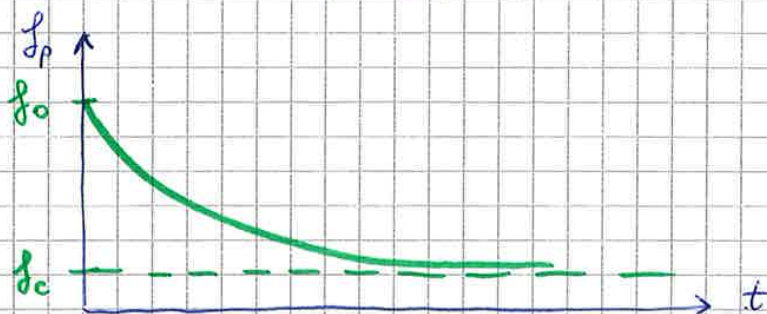
### FOR POTENTIAL INFILTRATION RATE

$\exists$  an initial maximum rate  $f_0$  and ends with asymptote  $f_c$   
 Rate of change is proportional to the difference with  $f_c$

$$\frac{df_p}{dt} = -\alpha (f_p - f_c) \quad (\text{simplification of the equation})$$

The solution of the eq is exponential: DECAY

$$f_p(t) = f_c + (f_0 - f_c) e^{-\alpha t}$$





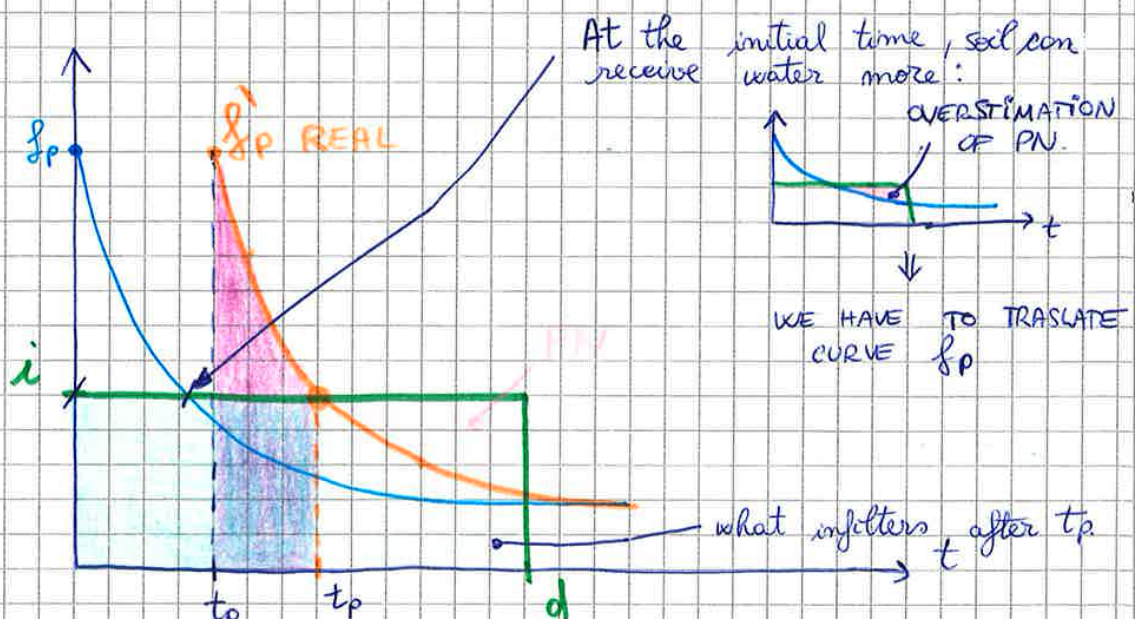
# REAL INFILTRATION RATE

**CASE 1:** (Rainfall Rate) > (Potential infiltr Rate)

$$\Rightarrow (\text{Potential}) = (\text{Real})$$



**CASE 2:** (Rainfall Rate) < (Potential infiltr. Rate)



$f_p$  intersects  $i$  curve in the point of saturation at the time called PONDING TIME =  $t_p$

$t_0$  = TRANSLATION TIME



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ASSIGNMENT (OPTIONAL) (MAX 3) (10-15 min) (Point) 0, +1, +2

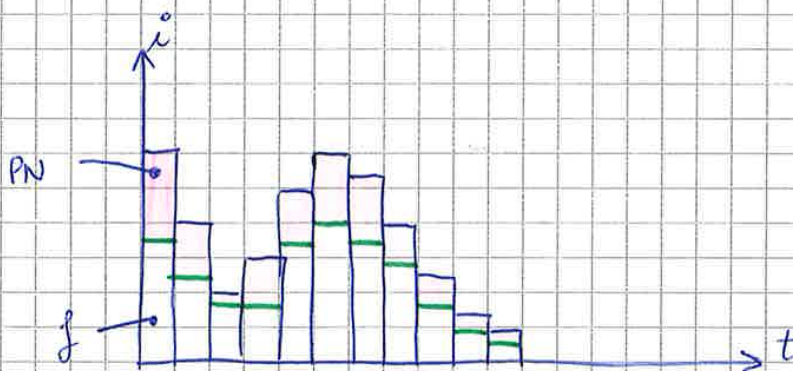
Technical report : INTRO : geomorphological charact

EVENT : flood, intense rainfall event, infrastructure related to water.

ANALYTICAL : calculations

In the 2° threshold, the last bar is already the sum of PN's above S because it's cumulative. The subtraction between bars gives the values of bars in 1° threshold.

### • PERCENTAGE (3) PROPORTIONAL METHOD



$$PN(t) = C \cdot i(t)$$

C = RUN OFF COEFFICIENT

But rainfall water doesn't divide only into flow and infiltration: I also other phenomenons that occur inside a catchment.

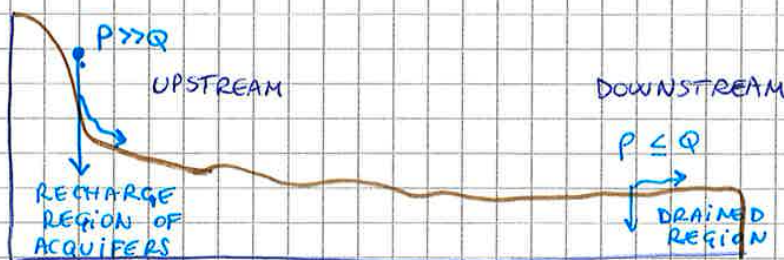




Runoff coefficient includes  $F, I, \Delta V$  ( $G_{NET}, ET$ ) negligible contribution.  
 $\rightarrow C = \frac{Q}{P} = 13\%$  (assignment 3).

$\Rightarrow 87\%$  IS LOST WITH THE OTHER FLOW TERMS

In this case the surface catchment coincides with underground catchment so there is no a significant  $G_{in}$  but water infiltrates





$$\Rightarrow F = P - PN - I$$

$$S \left( \frac{P - PN - I}{S} \right) = \left( \frac{PN}{P - I} \right) \cdot S$$

$$P^2 - P \cdot PN - PI - PI + PN I + I^2 = PN \cdot S$$

$$PN(P - I + S) = P^2 - 2PI + I^2$$

$$\Rightarrow PN = \frac{(P - I)^2}{P - I + S}$$

$$I = (0,2 \div 0,2) S$$

MORE OFTEN

$$S = S_0 \left( \frac{100}{CN} - 1 \right)$$

$$S_0 = \text{scale factor} = 254 \text{ m} \quad [\text{m}]$$

$$CN = \text{Curve Number} \quad [\text{---}]$$

$$\text{if } CN = 100 \Rightarrow P = PN$$

CN : depends on :

— TYPE OF SOIL

A, B, C, D



↳ clay or water proof soils (rocks)

sandy soil:  
large infiltration.

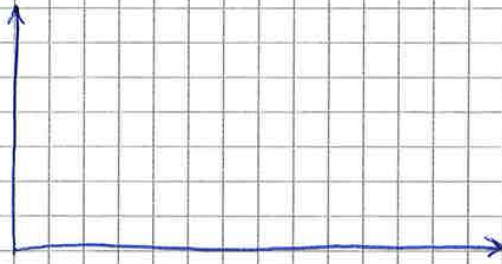
— TYPE OF LAND USE :

WOOD, PASTURES, CROPLAND, URBAN ...

|            | A  | B  | C  | D  |
|------------|----|----|----|----|
| • WOOD     | 62 | 68 | 74 | 79 |
| • CROPLAND | 34 | 39 | 45 | 50 |

THICK  
 LOOS  
 ...  
 ...



**Ex**

• RECTANGULAR HYETOGRAPH : constant precipitation with  $i = 25 \frac{\text{mm}}{\text{h}}$  of duration  $d = 3\text{h}$ . and use a time step  $\Delta t = 0,5\text{h}$

• CATCHMENT 30% LOOSE WOOD ON SAND  
70% CROPLAND ON SILT

→ COMPUTE NET RAINFALL HYETOGRAPH

1) DEFINITION OF CN: 30% woodland on soil A :  $CN = 66$

70% cropland on soil C :  $CN = 83$   
↳ more infiltration.

$$\rightarrow CN = 66 \cdot \frac{30}{100} + 83 \cdot \frac{70}{100} = 77,9 = CN(II)$$

IF GIVEN IN PERCENTAGE → DO AS THIS

! In DESIGN USE CN (III) that corresponds to more water in the soil corresponding to critical conditions.

## 2) TABLE

| $t[\text{h}]$          | $i \left[ \frac{\text{mm}}{\text{h}} \right]$ | $P[\text{mm}]$                                     | $PN[\text{mm}]$ | $i_{\text{NET}} \left[ \frac{\text{mm}}{\text{h}} \right]$ |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| $30 \text{ min} = 0,5$ | 25                                            | 12,5<br><small><math>= 25 \cdot 0,5</math></small> | 0               | 0                                                          |
| 1                      | 25                                            | 25                                                 | 1.36            | 2.71                                                       |
| 1,5                    | 25                                            | 37,5                                               | 5.60            | 8.48                                                       |
| 2                      | 25                                            | 50                                                 | 11.77           | 12.33                                                      |
| 2,5                    | 25                                            | 62,5                                               | 19.25           | 14.96                                                      |
| 3                      | 25                                            | 75<br><small>cumulative</small>                    | 27.67           | 16.85                                                      |

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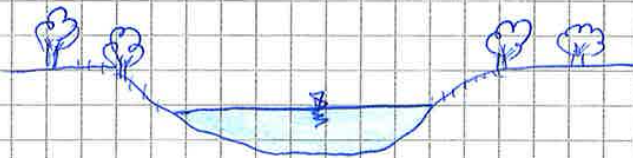
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## HOW TO DETERMINE A DESIGN STREAMFLOW WITHOUT STREAMFLOW DATA.

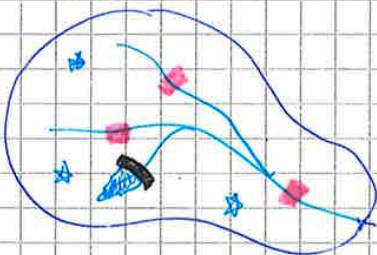
- 1) Definition of design storm.
  - 2) Model the catchment response
  - 3) Design streamflow
- RAINFALL-RUNOFF TRANSFORMATION

Measure river flow is more difficult because it costs \$ enough instruments, cross-sections are complex: geometry, change in time.

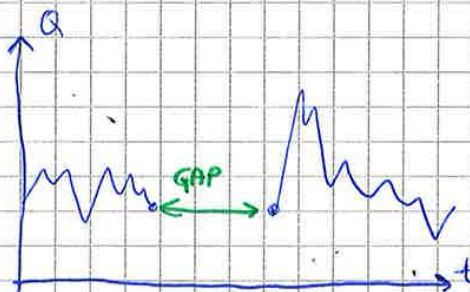
$$Q = V \cdot A$$



Also velocity is different in the river depths.



### OTHER APPLICATIONS OF R-R TRANSFORMATION:



- FILLING GAPS in data of  $(Q-t)$
- UNCERTAINTY IMPROVEMENT
- FLOOD ANTICIPATION
- ASSESS SCENARIOS: in the case of modifications in the catchment,  $\exists$  will be modifications at the outlet, reservoirs

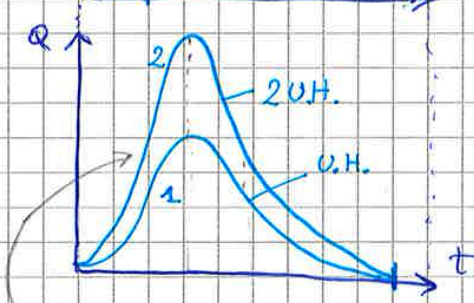
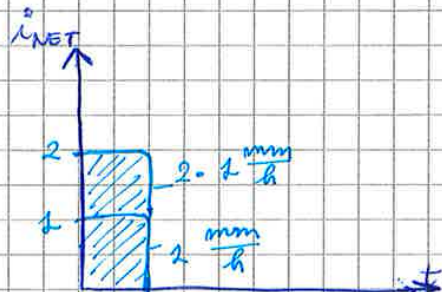


- $U.H.$  depends on the characteristic of the catchment.
- assumption:
  - the shape of hydrograph is independent of time
  - duration is invariant with intensity.

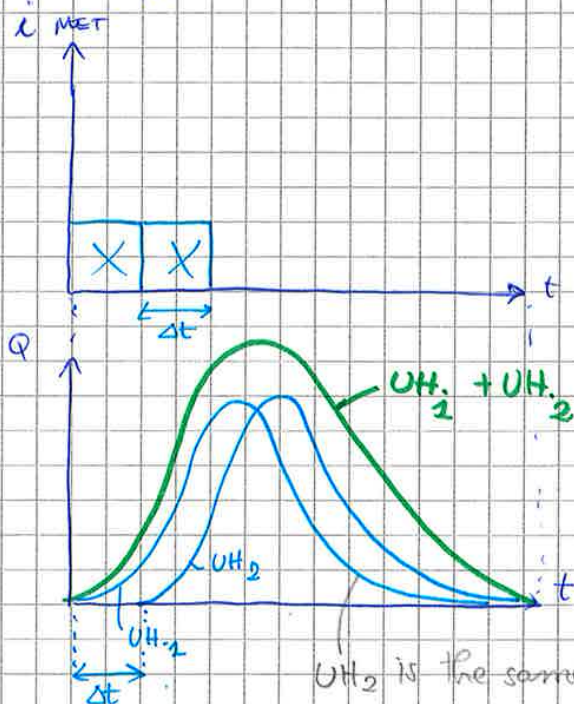
- response of the catchment is linear:
 

- $H \propto \text{INTENSITY}$
- hydrograph

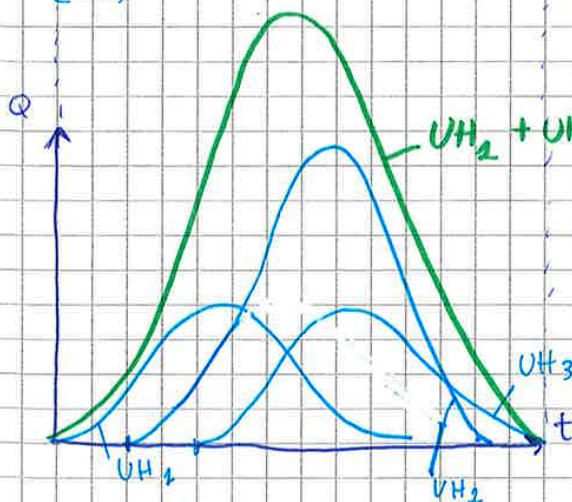
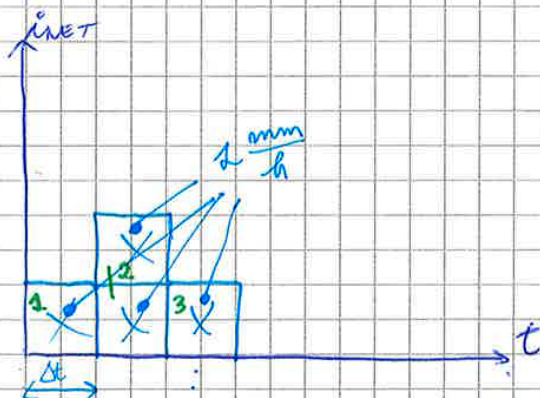
• final  $H$  results from superimposition of terms



values of  $2 \cdot U.H.$  are those of  $U.H.$  but doubled.



$U.H_2$  is the same as  $U.H_1$  but translated by  $\Delta t$ .



SUM ALL  $U.H.$  at the END.



5) 3<sup>rd</sup> time step :  $2\Delta t \rightarrow 3\Delta t$  :  $Q_3 \propto i_3 u_1 + i_2 u_2 + i_1 u_3$

$\Rightarrow Q_t = K \cdot \sum_{j=1}^t (i_j \cdot u_{t-j+1})$

RUNOFF AT OUTLET  $[m^3/s]$   $\rightarrow$   $Q_t$   
 $K$  : CONVERSION FACTOR  $= \frac{1000}{3600}$   
 $i_j$  : NET PRECIP INTENSITY  $[mm/h]$   
 $u_{t-j+1}$  : CONTRIBUTING AREAS  $[km^2]$

$\rightarrow$  When precipitation stops or all the areas have contributed,  
 $\nabla$  If  $\exists \neq$  gauges  $\Rightarrow \exists \neq$  values of  $i \Rightarrow$  so first compute the areal average because I want uniform precipitation.

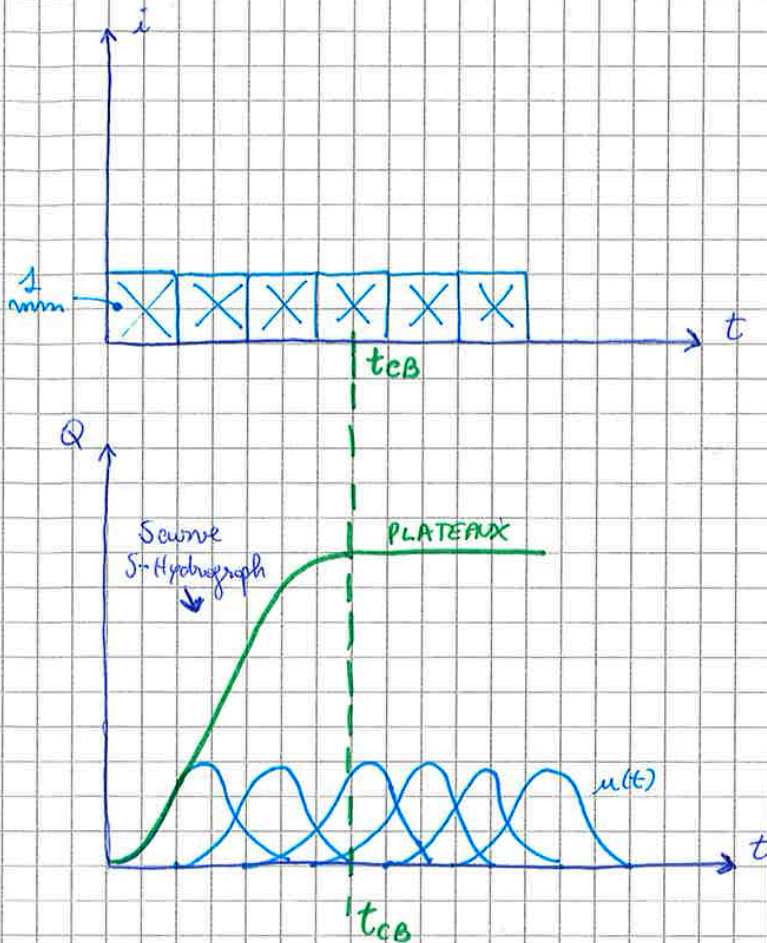
$\Rightarrow$  MAKE A TABLE

| AREA INTENSITY | $u_1$     | $u_2$     | $u_3$     | $u_4$     | SUM BY ROWS decreasing    | $t_{CB} = 4 \cdot \Delta t$<br>$d = 6 \cdot \Delta t$<br>number of intensity. |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| $i_1$          | $u_1 i_1$ |           |           |           | $Q_1 = u_1 i_1$           |                                                                               |
| $i_2$          | $u_1 i_2$ | $u_2 i_1$ |           |           | $Q_2 = u_1 i_2 + u_2 i_1$ |                                                                               |
| $i_3$          | $u_1 i_3$ | $u_2 i_2$ | $u_3 i_1$ |           | $Q_3 = \dots$             |                                                                               |
| $i_4$          | $u_1 i_4$ | $u_2 i_3$ | $u_3 i_2$ | $u_4 i_1$ | $Q_4 = \dots$             |                                                                               |
| $i_5$          | $u_1 i_5$ | $u_2 i_4$ | $u_3 i_3$ | $u_4 i_2$ | $Q_5 = \dots$             |                                                                               |
| $i_6$          | $u_1 i_6$ | $u_2 i_5$ | $u_3 i_4$ | $u_4 i_3$ | $Q_6 = \dots$             |                                                                               |
|                |           | $u_2 i_6$ | $u_3 i_5$ | $u_4 i_4$ | $Q_7 = \dots$             |                                                                               |
|                |           |           | $u_3 i_6$ | $u_4 i_5$ | $Q_8 = \dots$             |                                                                               |
|                |           |           |           | $u_4 i_6$ | $Q_9 = \dots$             |                                                                               |



What if  $d > t_{CB}$ ?

All the basin contributes



$$S = \int_0^t u(\tau) d\tau \quad \text{integral of unit hydrograph}$$

But what is the function  $u(t)$ ?  
How to define it?

↓  
∃ couples of methods

## METHODS TO DERIVE U.H. (REQUIRE MEASUREMENTS)

①

$$u_1 = \frac{Q_1}{i_1}$$

$$u_2 = \frac{Q_2 - i_2 u_1}{i_1}$$

$$u_3 = \frac{Q_3 - i_2 u_2 - i_3 u_1}{i_1}$$

### DECONVOLUTION METHOD:

SET OF CORRESPONDING  
MEASURES OF RAINFALL  
AND FLOW RATE

FORWARD

BACKWARD

starting from

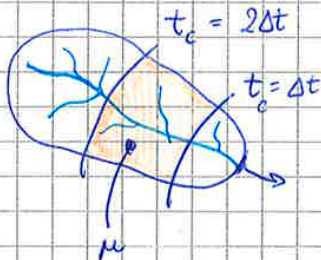
$$\frac{Q_n}{i_n} = u_n$$



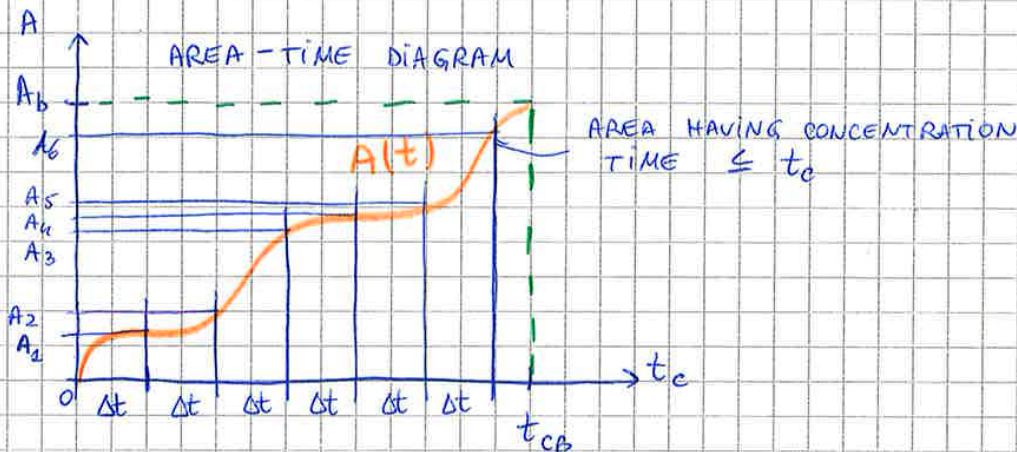
## METHOD NOT REQUIRING MEASUREMENTS Q:

### BASED ON THE AREA-TIME DIAGRAM

$\mu$  = area contributing, between two iso-chrones lines



Since we have assumed an uniform distribution, properties over all catchment, ( $\mu$ ) can be found not considering the iso-chrones



$$\Delta t \div \Delta t \quad \mu_1 = A_1$$

$$\Delta t \div 2\Delta t \quad \mu_2 = A_2 - A_1$$

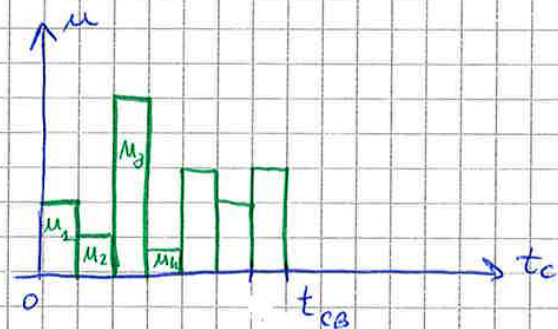
$$2\Delta t \div 3\Delta t \quad \mu_3 = A_3 - A_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu(t) = \frac{dA}{dt_c}$$

$\mu(t)$  is the derivative of the function  $A(t)$ , but how to define  $A(t)$ ?

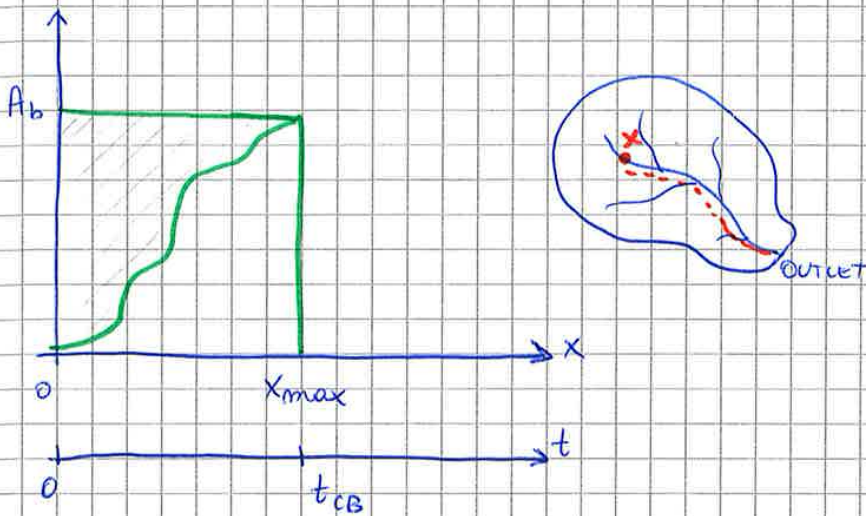
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≠ methods:





## METHOD (B) FOR AREA - TIME CURVE



There is parallelism between area - time diagram point inside my basin.

I will find the closest point on the network (stream flow network) and I measure the distance along the network until the outlet.

### PROCEDURE:

- area distance curve
- use time axis
- convert time steps put into  $t_{CB}$  to find  $x$ .
- enter  $x$  to the curve and find area
- differentiate the area

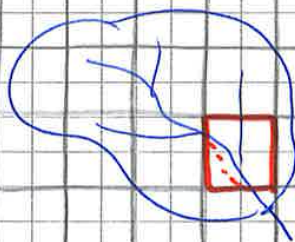
$$\frac{x}{x_{max}} = \frac{t_c}{t_{CB}}$$

$x$  = distance of a point along the network  
 $x_{max}$  = max dist.

$t_c$  = concentration point of any point

$t_{CB}$  = concentration time of the basin.

## METHOD (C) FOR AREA - TIME CURVE



PROCEDURE: - superpose a grid on the basin

- for any cell find:

- channel path and length
- inclination (averaged)
- channel cross-section
- velocity  $v = x \sqrt{\phi \cdot i}$  (Chazy)

• travel time  $t = \frac{x}{v}$   
 (time from entering in the cell to exiting).

- quantify additional time  $t^*$  to reach the channel

- Travel time for droplets fallen in the cell

$$t_c = t^* + \sum_{i=1}^n t_i$$

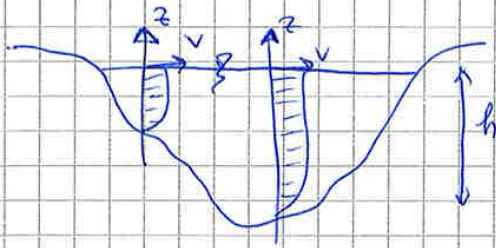
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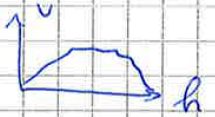


## VELOCITY PROBES

$$Q = \bar{V} \cdot A$$

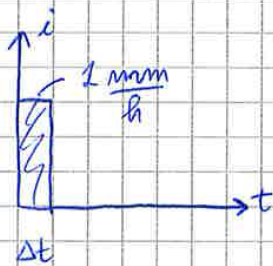


A device is immersed. It has an helix whose speed is function of the flow velocity. We have different velocity  $\Rightarrow$  take the mean  $\bar{V}$  of each depth. (h)

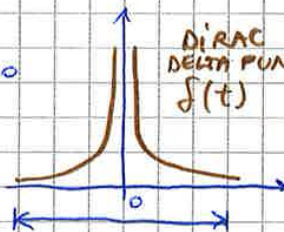


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## INSTANTANEOUS UNIT HYDROGRAPH (IUH)



$$\Delta t \rightarrow 0$$



DIRAC  
DELTA FUNCTION  
 $\delta(t)$

The integral is = 1 as  $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$ .

### CONVOLUTION METHOD

$$Q(t) = \int_0^t i(\tau) \cdot u(t-\tau) d\tau$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^t i_j \cdot u_{t-j+1}$$

$$Q(t) = \int_0^t i(\tau) u(t-\tau) d\tau \quad \text{"dA"}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Property of  $\delta$ -DIRAC :  $Q(t) = \underbrace{u(t)}_{\text{hydrograph}} \cdot \underbrace{K}_{\text{unit hydrograph}}$   $K = \text{factor of proportionality}$

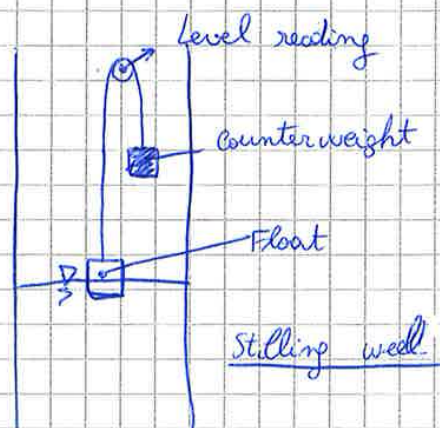
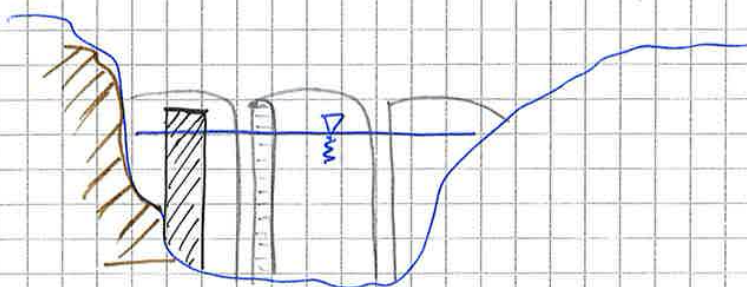
EX1 RAINFALL  $\rightarrow$  RUNOFF TRANSFORMATION. ?



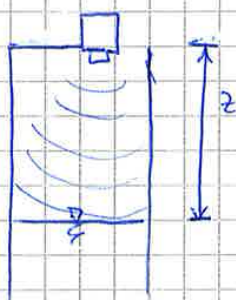
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## MEASUREMENTS

- Level Measurements
- Velocity Measurements
- Other systems.

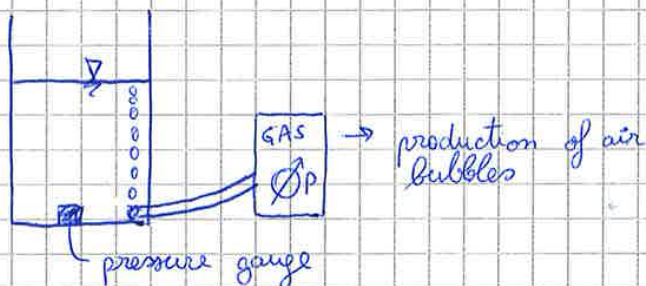


Ultrasonic level gauges

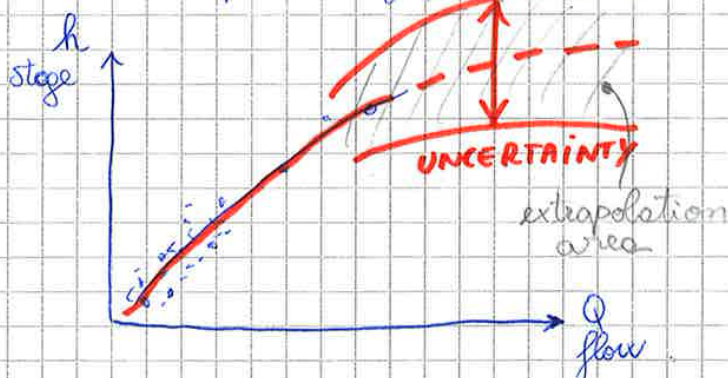


Pressure:

$$h = \frac{P}{\gamma} \quad \text{specific weight}$$



We can plot a graph of  $(Q - h)$ :

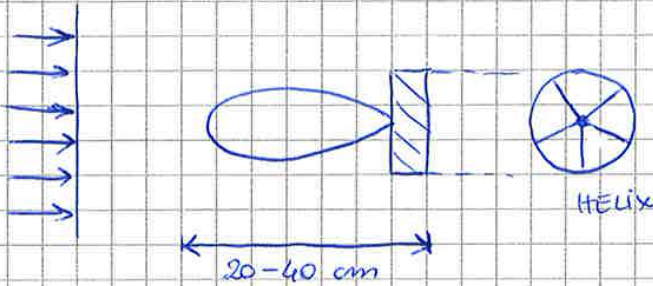


How to measure  $Q$ ?

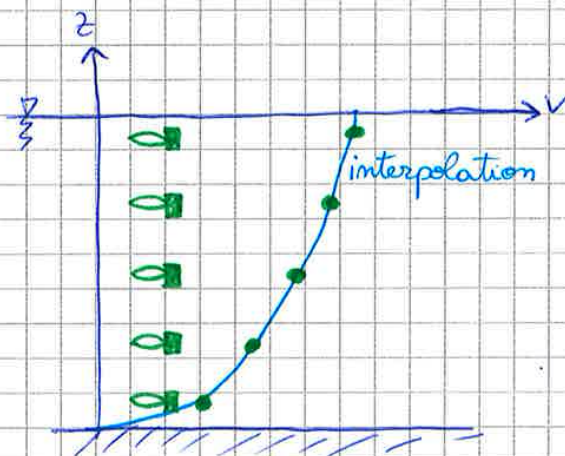
The number of points are more frequent for lower flows and usually # data for big flows: we interpolate and provide a range of uncertainty



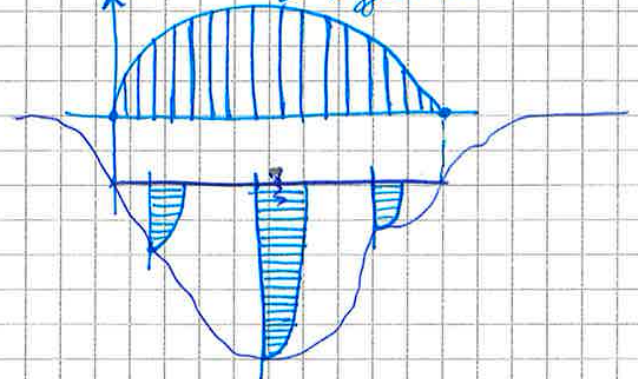
## VELOCITY PROBES FOR POINT MEASUREMENTS.



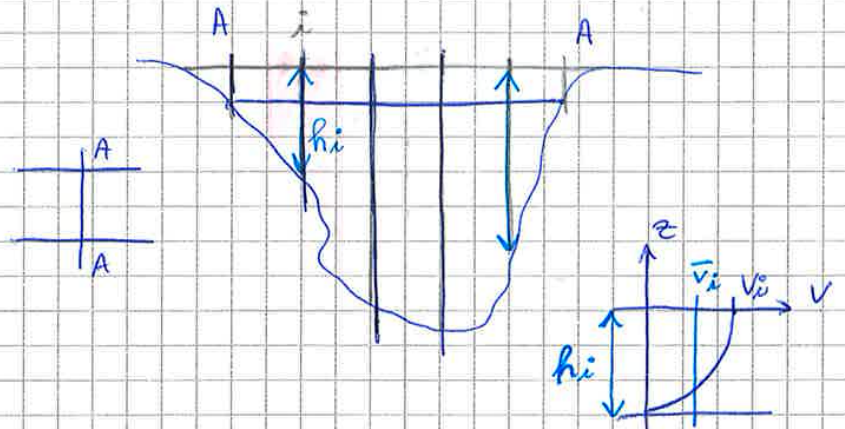
Small device that measures point velocities, but it takes time



Velocity changes also along the horizontal profile  
bigger in the middle.



- Take cross-section
- Divide into sections
- Operator stays outside the water
- Immerse the device till the bottom in each section.

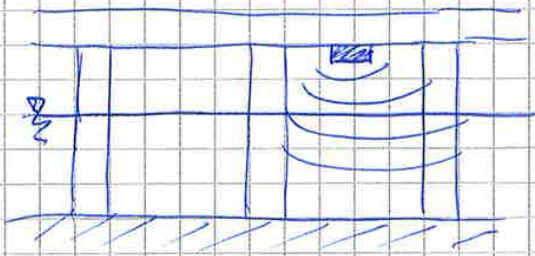


- Obtain  $N$  profiles
- Assume the same velocity  $V_i$  in the area ( ) and take its mean
- Calculate flow  $Q_i$ :  
$$Q_i = \bar{V}_i \cdot d_i \cdot h_i$$
- Calculate  $Q_{TOT}$ :  
$$Q_{TOT} = \sum_i Q_i$$

⇒ This procedure is long and during flood events is difficult, but it gives good results.

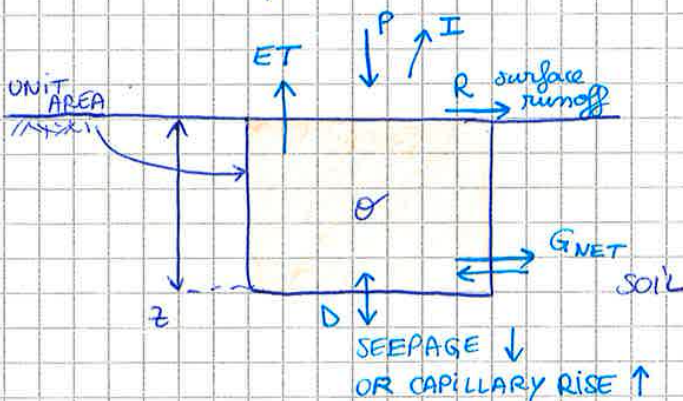


## ULTRASOUND



## SOIL WATER BALANCE AT A POINT

There are 7 terms in this equation, that we can simplify making some assumptions.



What is the storage of water in this unit area of soil? It's quantified by  $\theta$  = water content in soil.

$$P - I - R - (ET + D + G_{NET}) = \frac{d}{dt} (\underbrace{\theta}_{\text{temporal variation}} \cdot \underbrace{(z \cdot 1)}_{\text{area variation}}) = z \cdot \frac{d\theta}{dt}$$



# Radiations

Every body with  $T > 0^\circ\text{K}$  emits electromagnetic radiations, whose amount depends on the body's temperature following some laws:

BLACK BODIES:

||  
that don't  
reflect light

Stefan-Boltzmann Law  $J = \sigma \cdot T^4$

$J$  = radiance or energy per unit area and <sup>time</sup>

$$\left[ \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m}^2} \right]$$

$$\sigma = \text{Stefan-Boltzmann constant} = 5.76 \cdot 10^{-8} \left[ \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m}^2 \text{K}^4} \right]$$

$T$  = Body temperature [K]

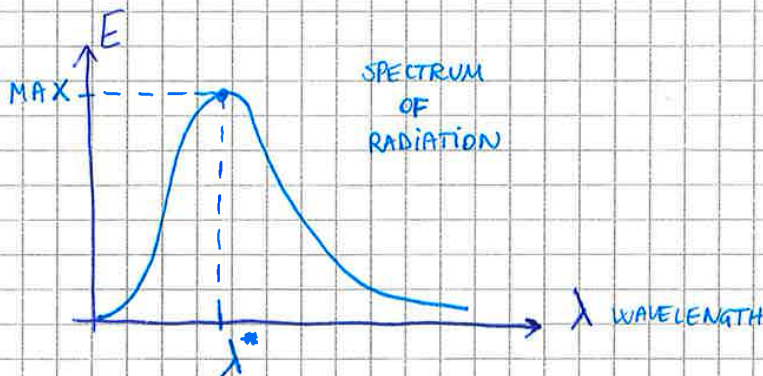
NON BLACK BODIES (general) :  $J = \epsilon \sigma T^4$

$\epsilon$  = emissivity

$\epsilon = 1$  for black bodies

$\epsilon \in [0,9; 1]$  for soil

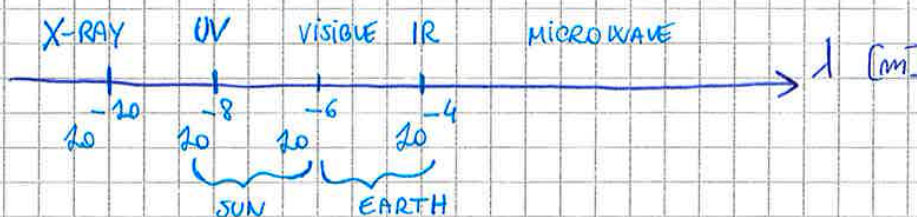
$\epsilon \in [0,7; 0,8]$  for vapour / clouds.



Wien's Law

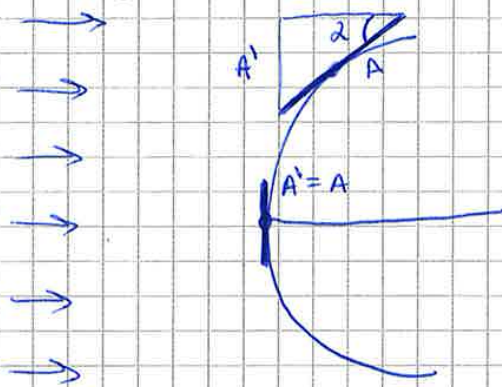
$$\lambda^* = \frac{2900 \cdot 10^{-6}}{T}$$

$$[T] = [\text{K}], [\lambda^*] = [\text{m}]$$





solar rays.



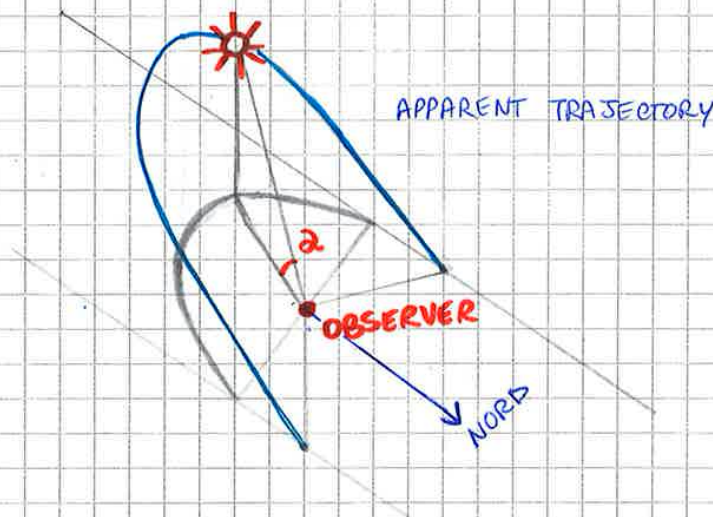
$$\sin \alpha = \frac{A'}{A}$$

$A = \text{unit surface}$

$$\Rightarrow \delta' = S_0 \cdot d_r \cdot \sin \alpha$$

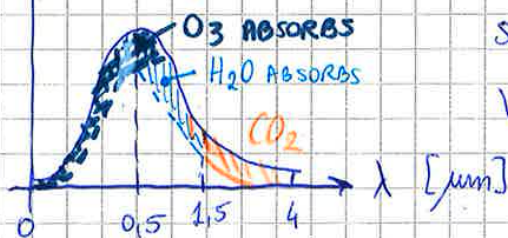
$\alpha$  DEPENDS ON:

- latitude
- inclination of earth axis (declination) depends on day of year
- time of day.



$$\delta' = S_0 \cdot d_r \cdot \sin(\alpha)$$

Energy emitted by Sun:  $S$



time-specific and place-specific extra-atmospheric radiation, which has a given spectrum.

Solar radiation:  $0,17 \div 4 \mu\text{m}$  (1)

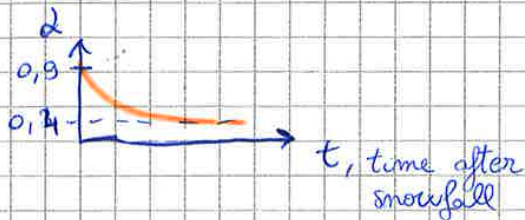
Visible radiation  $0,4 \div 0,7 \mu\text{m}$

Different wave lengths are absorbed by different components of the atmosphere:  $\text{O}_3$  OZONE: shorter waves.

$\text{H}_2\text{O}$  WATER IN ATMOSPHERE:

$\text{CO}_2$  ABSORBS





**FEEDBACK** : cases in which a dynamic is influenced by some variables, but the variables depend on feedback.

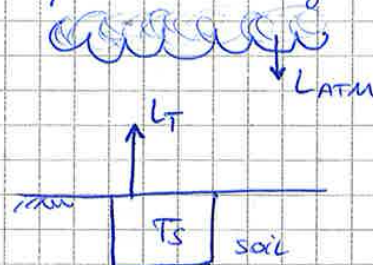
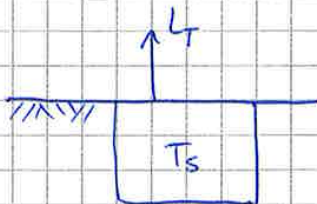
ex → **CLIMATE CHANGE** : increase of temperature  
 ⇒ increase of ice - melting → more surface with lower albedo. → less reflection (outgoing radiation) ⇒ increase of temperature

## LONG WAVE RADIATION:

$T_{\text{soil}} = 15^\circ\text{C} = 288^\circ\text{K}$  ⇒ longer wave length : range of infrared

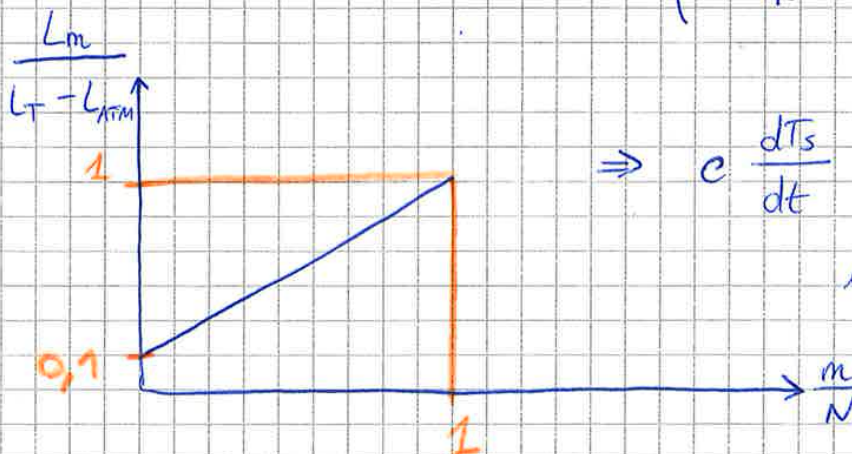
$$L_T \approx \sigma T_{\text{soil}}^4$$

Clouds absorb a portion and reflect it back



$$L_{\text{ATM}} = 0,75 \sigma T_{\text{Air}}^4$$

$$\Rightarrow L_{\text{net}} = (L_T - L_{\text{ATM}}) = \left(0,9 \frac{m}{N} + 0,1\right)$$



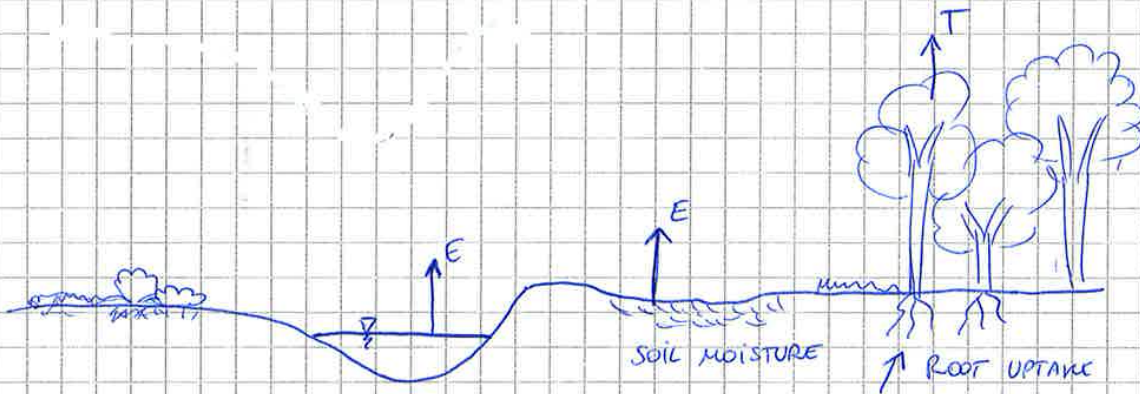
$$\Rightarrow c \frac{dT_s}{dt} = S_n - L_n - ET \cdot \rho \cdot \lambda$$

$\begin{matrix} (+^\circ\text{e}) & (-^\circ\text{e}) \\ \text{incoming} & \text{outgoing} \end{matrix}$



# EVAPOTRANSPIRATION

## • EVAPORATION



Endogenous process

- - radiation
- humidity of air (vapor pressure)
- wind (that moves humid air).
- temperature

HRTW

⇒ Use the energy balance equation to find the POTENTIAL EVAPOTRANSPIRATION that gives an upper bound to ET: it's the maximum rate allowed by energetic condition.

$$c \frac{dT_s}{dt} = S_n - L_n - ET \cdot \rho_w \cdot \lambda$$

We consider long time scale because it's a long process ⇒

$$\frac{dT_s}{dt} = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{ET_{\text{POTENTIAL}} = \frac{S_n - L_n}{\rho_w \cdot \lambda}}$$

"latent heat."

ex summer day (Piemonte):

$$S_n > L_n \Rightarrow S_n - L_n = 150 \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m}^2}$$

$$\rho_w = 1000 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}$$

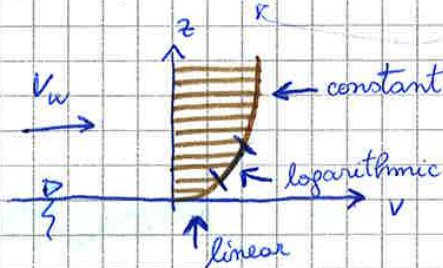
$$\Rightarrow ET_p = \frac{150 \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m}^2}}{1000 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3} \cdot 2,25 \cdot 10^{-6} \frac{\text{J}}{\text{kg}}} \approx 6,6 \cdot 10^{-8} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} = 5,7 \frac{\text{mm}}{\text{day}} \quad \text{MAX ALLOWED BY ATMOSPHERE}$$



## Energy Balance Method

$$ET_p = \frac{S_n - L_n}{\rho \cdot \lambda} = E_{p,r} \rightarrow \text{radiation}$$

## AERODYNAMIC METHOD



$$E_{p,a} = B (e_s - e) = B \cdot e_s (1 - RH)$$

$\downarrow$  saturated vapour press.       $\downarrow$  vapour pressure

⇒ MIXED METHOD (Penman) → to compute <sup>potential</sup> evaporation

$$E_p = \frac{\Delta}{\Delta + \gamma} \cdot E_{p,r} + \frac{\gamma}{\Delta + \gamma} \cdot E_{p,a} \rightarrow \text{average the 2 components}$$

$\gamma$  = PSYCHROMETRIC CONSTANT

$$\gamma = \frac{p_{air} \cdot c}{0,622 \cdot \lambda}$$

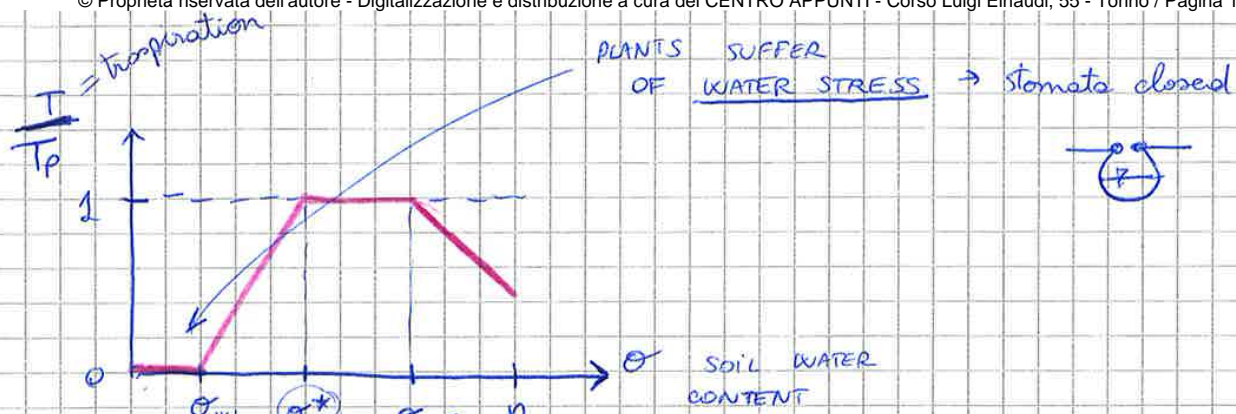
$p_{air}$  = pressure of air  
 $c$  = specific heat  
 $\lambda$  = latent heat

$\Delta$  = GRADIENT OF SATURATED VAPOUR PRESSURE

$$\Delta = \left. \frac{de_s(T)}{dT} \right|_{T=T_{air}}$$

→ This rules apply both for evap from free liquid surface and for soil surface at  $\theta = m$  (saturated soil, so  $\exists$  water on the surface).





WILTING POINT

FIELD CAPACITY

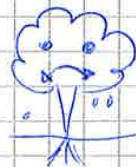
FULL OPENING OF STOMATA

water content at which gravity forces equal the capillarity raised = capillarity exist. If  $E_g > \text{capillarity}$  ⇒ drainage and dryness.

MIX OF SOIL, WATER, OXYGEN

For  $\theta > \theta_{SF}$  we go toward saturation

MIX OF SOIL, WATER BUT NO OXYGEN: roots die.

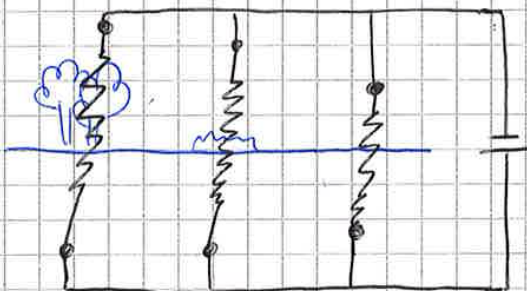


Unless plants adapted to an

ANOXIS STRESS

## ET FROM EMPIRICAL MODEL

PHYSICALLY BASED METHOD : PENMANN - MONTEITH FORMULA



It assimilates the different resistances to an electrical circuit in parallel.

THORNTHWAITE FORMULA

$$ET_p = 16 \left( 10 \cdot \frac{T_m}{I} \right)^{\alpha} \cdot L_m$$

$T_m$  = mean monthly temperature [ $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ]

$I$  = thermal index that includes the temperatures throughout the year



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# EVAPOTRANSPIRATION FROM CROP FIELDS (FAO)

## REFERENCE EVAPOTRANSPIRATION $ETo$

↳ UNIFORM AND STANDARD VEGETATION  $\rightarrow$  grass field

The field has enough water for the grass to live well.

## CROP EVAPOTRANSPIRATION $Etc = K_c \cdot ETo$ $K_c$ = crop coefficient.

↳ SPECIFIC CROP (fruit trees, weed plantation, ...)

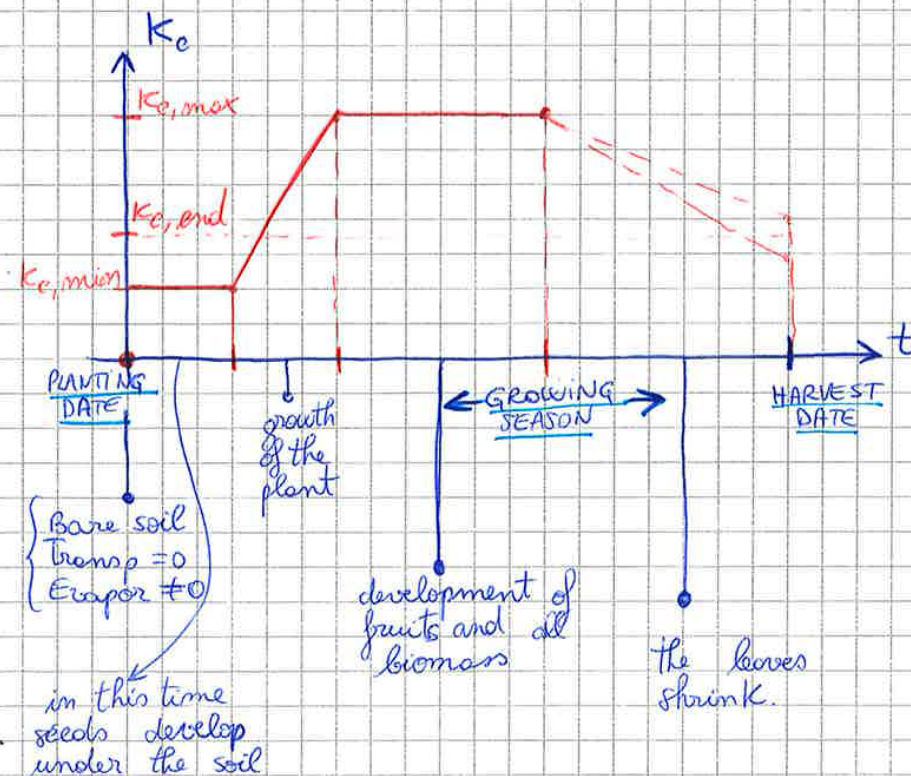
The field has enough water and nutrients.

## ACTUAL EVAPOTRANSPIRATION $ETA = K_s \cdot Etc$ , $K_s$ = water stress coeff.

↳ SPECIFIC CROP

$$ETA = K_s \cdot K_c \cdot ETo$$

Real water conditions



( $K_{c,max}$ ) depends on the crop type

( $K_{c,min}$ ) depends on the soil (wetness)

( $K_{c,end}$ ) depends on the type of crop and agricultural methods

$K_{c,max}$  can be  $> 1$   
but usually is  $< 1$ ,  
i.e. a reduction coefficient



To know how much water to provide, use soil water balance:

$$z \cdot \frac{d\theta}{dt} = (P - I - R) + I_r - ET - D - G_{NET}$$

depth of active soil.  $\equiv$  depth of root zone.

$(P - I - R)$  that infiltrates

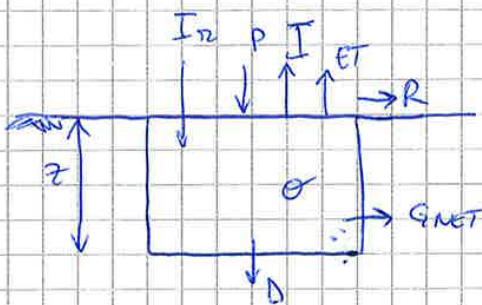
$I_r$  irrigation

$ET$  trans over the root zone and recharge ground water.

$D$  EXITING FROM CONTROL AREA / VOLUME

$G_{NET}$

AVAILABLE



$P - I - R = P_{eff}$  Effective precipit.

$D$  is maintained  $\approx 0$

$G_{NET} = 0$  because surface is flat

$\Rightarrow$  Simplified equation:  $P_{eff} + I_r - ET = 0$

$$I_r = ET - P_{eff}$$

$$ET_a = ET_c \rightarrow \text{this is what we want to achieve}$$

if negative  $\Rightarrow$  no need of  $I_r$

$$\hookrightarrow ET_c - ET_a < 0$$

Bulk Assessment

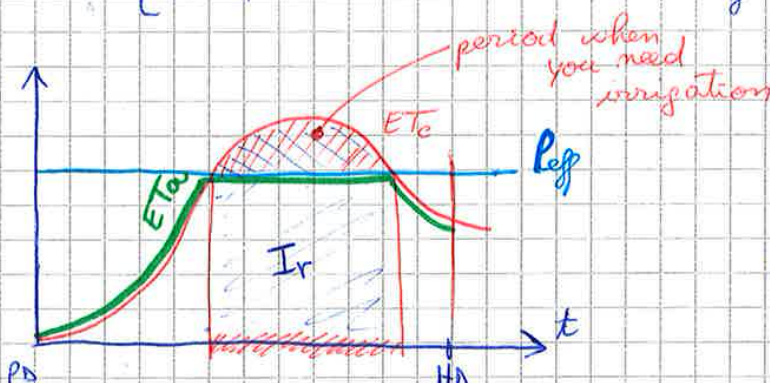
$$I_r = \int_{PD}^{HD} (ET_c - ET_a) dt \rightarrow \text{! maybe with this expression we see that we don't need irrigat.}$$

Harvest date (HD)

Planting date (PD)

But if we consider temporal variability:

$$\begin{cases} I_{r,i} = ET_{c,i} - ET_{a,i} & \text{if } I_{r,i} > 0 \\ i = \text{DAY / WEEK / MONTH} \\ I_{r,i} = 0 & \text{if no need of irrigation.} \end{cases}$$



$$z \frac{d\theta}{dt} = P_{eff} - ET_a - D - G_{net}$$

$$P_{eff} = P - I - R$$

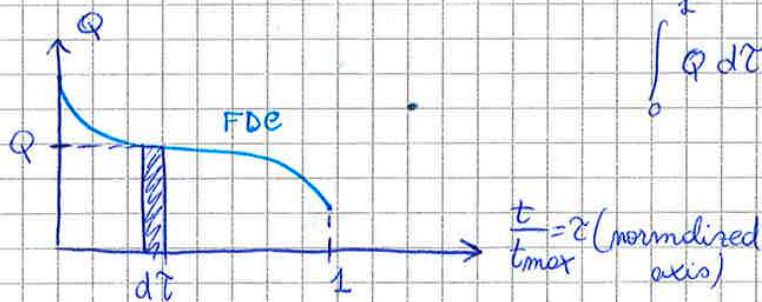
Irrigated soil water content is described by

$$z \frac{d\theta}{dt} = P_{eff} + I_r - ET_c - D - G_{net}$$



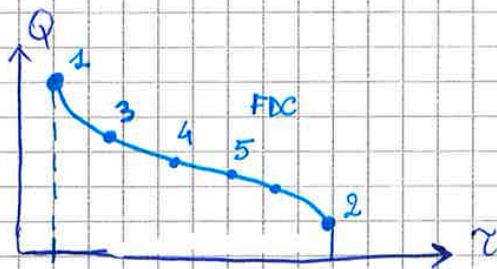
$Q$  = mean daily flow rate

$t_{max} = 1 \text{ year}$



$$\int_0^1 Q d\tau = \frac{W}{t_{max}} = \bar{Q}$$

water volume.  
mean annual flow rate



①  $t = 1 \text{ day}$   
 $\tau = \frac{1}{365}$

max annual <sup>daily</sup> flow rate

②  $t = 365 \text{ days}, \tau = 1$  mean annual daily flow rate

③  $t = 91 \text{ days}, \tau = 0,25$  ordinary high flow

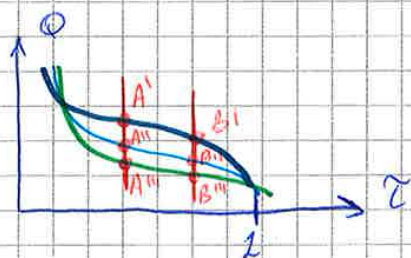
④  $t = 182 \text{ days}, \tau = 0,5$  semi-permanent flow

⑤  $t = 274 \text{ days}, \tau = 0,75$  ordinary low flow

### Multi annual time series of Q

- Mean Annual FDC  $\rightarrow$  build the FDC for each year.

$\Rightarrow$  take the vertical mean in each point

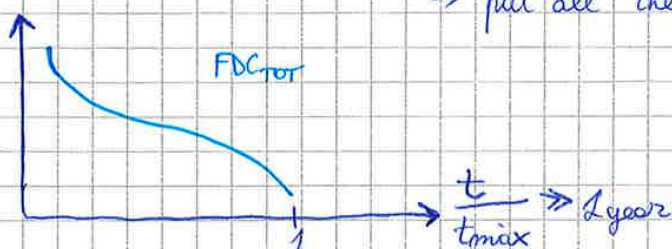


$$A = \frac{A' + A'' + A'''}{3}; B = \frac{B' + B'' + B'''}{3}; \dots$$

$\Rightarrow$  plot (A, B, C, ...) to have the mean curve.  
 $\rightarrow$  we can see the intra annual variability

OR TOTAL DC:  $\rightarrow$  we can see the inter-annual variability

$\Rightarrow$  put all the years together.

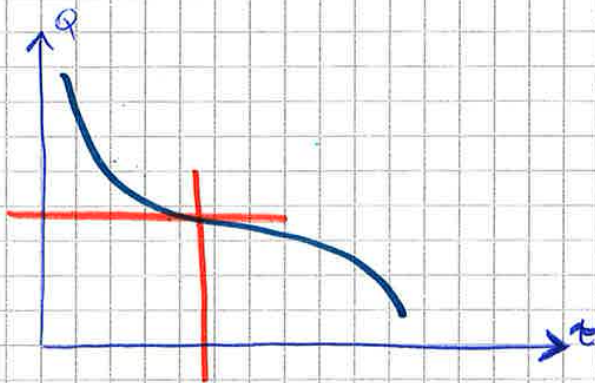




| $Q$       | $i$      | $F(i)$    |
|-----------|----------|-----------|
| $Q_{max}$ | 1        | $4/366$   |
| $Q_{364}$ | 2        | $2/366$   |
| $Q_{363}$ | 3        | $3/366$   |
| $Q_{362}$ | 4        | $4/366$   |
| $\vdots$  | $\vdots$ | $\vdots$  |
| $Q_1$     | 365      | $365/366$ |

→ a low probab. that the amount is not exceeded

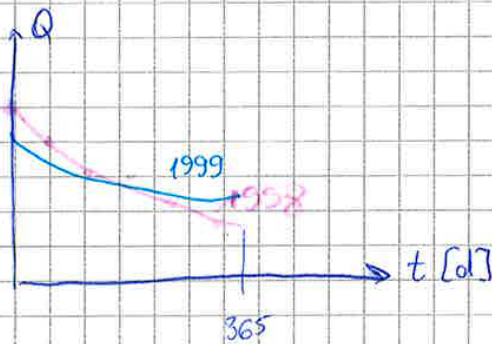
## HYDROPOWER PLANTS



- 1) Design a flow rate from this curve: evaluate cost and benefits
- 2) The design flow rate cannot be the maximum because you take out all water and this kills the environment  
 ↓  
 ∃ limitations: ∃ a min flow in the river to sustain environment.



③ Plot the sorted sequence



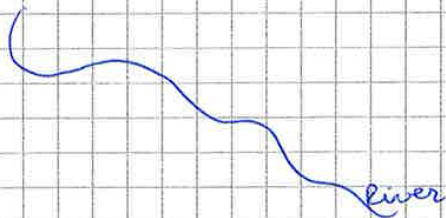
④ Repeat for all years

⑤ Take the mean : you have to take the mean of each row of the table

⑥ Plot the mean values.

FDC is specific for a given cross sections.

This serves to know how much water is in the river.



- domestic use (rural areas)
- industrial use (cooling, pollution, ...)
- agricultural use (irrigation) volume
- hydropower use volume + economical

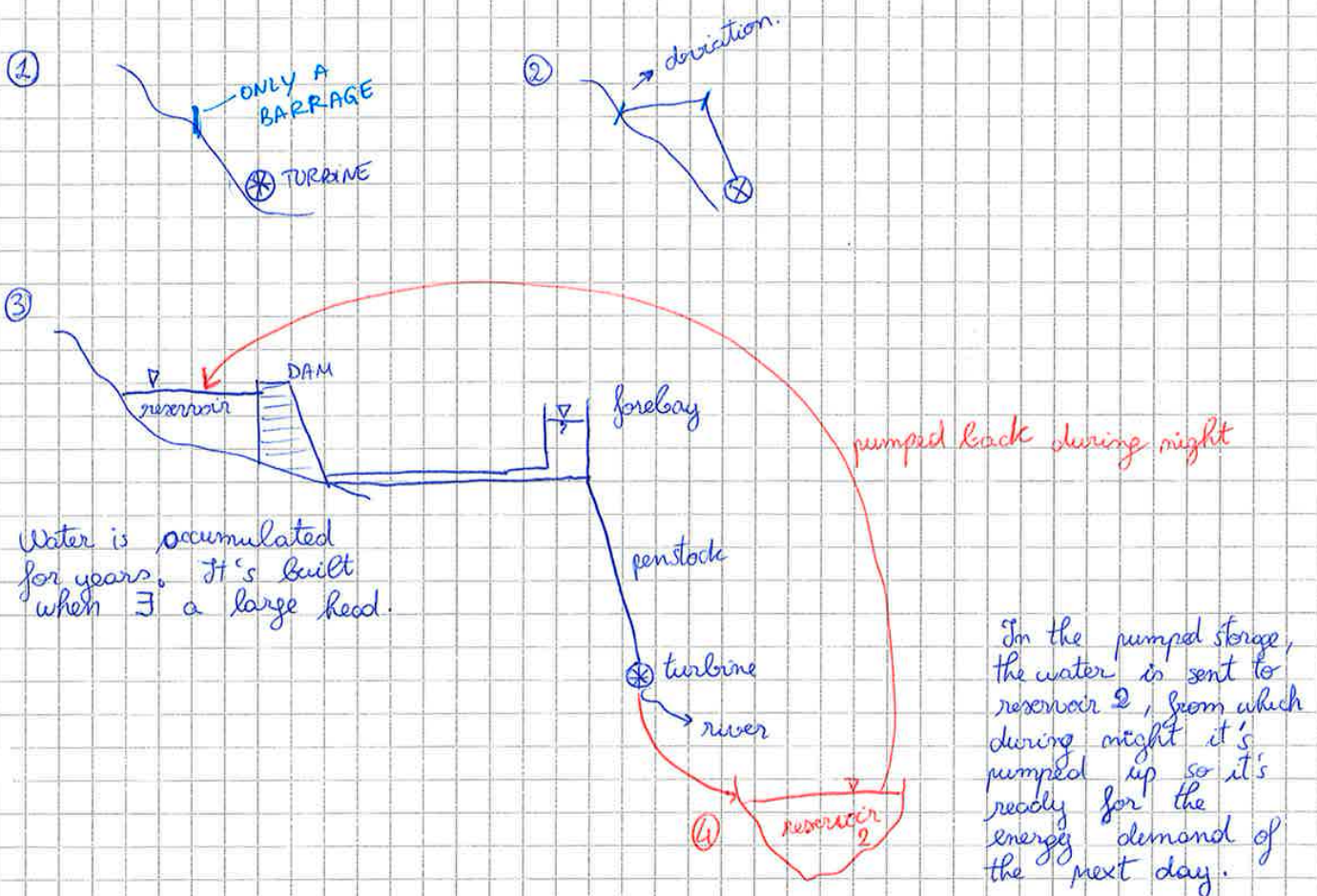


Or they're classified by head:

|          |                     |
|----------|---------------------|
| LOW HEAD | $H < 50 \text{ m}$  |
| MEDIUM " |                     |
| HIGH "   | $H > 200 \text{ m}$ |

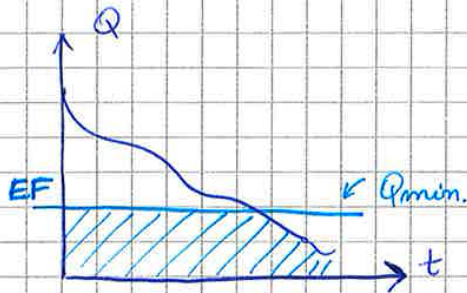
Or for facility type

- |                  |                        |
|------------------|------------------------|
| ① IN-STREAM      | SIMPLE<br>↓<br>COMPLEX |
| ② RUN-ON-RIVER   |                        |
| ③ RESERVOIR      |                        |
| ④ PUMPED STORAGE |                        |





Env. flow  $Q$  :  $\exists$  a minimum instantaneous flow to be guaranteed downstream a withdrawal  
(EF)



$$EF = K \bar{Q} \cdot M \cdot A$$

$K$  = fraction given over homogeneous areas based on the low flows of the river

$$K \in [0,1 ; 0,15]$$

$\bar{Q}$  = mean annual natural flow in the cross-section of interest.

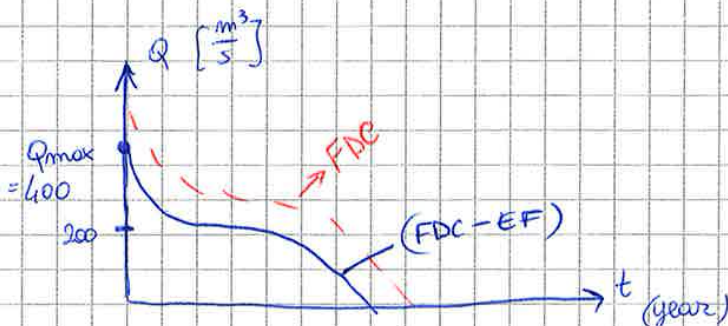
$M$  = parameter that quantifies river bed morphology

$$M \in [0,9 ; 1,3]$$

$A$  = parameter for groundwater exchange

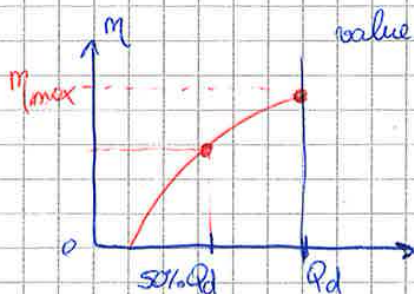
$$A \in [0,7 ; 1,5]$$

⇒ Build a NEW FDC that shows the real availability:



⇒ For the design of a hydroplant we know  $Q, H, \gamma_g$ . We focus on  $Q$  and we look for a design value  $Q_d$ . How to choose it?

- $Q_{max} = Q_d$  is an overestimated value. → big expensive machine.  
and also the efficiency  $\eta$  decreases below the design value. → lost of energy.



⇒ Find  $\eta_{max}$  and  $Q_{min}$ .





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## ASSIGNMENT 1

### Design of the river banks' maximum height at a given river section

The design of river embankments is sought for protecting from flooding the industrial area near the river Dora Baltea at Tavagnasco. In particular, the height of the embankments needs to be determined to prevent, in the area of interest, flood events with return periods of 100 years.



The time series of the annual maximum discharge ( $\text{m}^3/\text{s}$ ) of the Dora Baltea river at Tavagnasco is provided in file `dorabaltea_tavagnasco.txt`.

Assuming that the relationship between water level and discharge in presence of the embankments (obtained via a hydraulic simulation software) is the following:

$$Q = 142 * (h + 0.05)^{1.81}$$

where  $Q$  is the discharge in  $\text{m}^3/\text{s}$  and  $h$  is the water level (height).

You are asked to provide the following:

1. Graphics and metrics of data analysis, including the time series plot, in order to identify potential non-stationarities, and the cumulative distribution function.
2. The probability plots of empirical data for the exponential, normal, log-normal and Gumbel probability distributions, assessing how well data aligns to the distributions.
3. Estimate distribution parameters for those distributions that successfully comply with the preliminary assessments plus the GEV distribution using moments and L-moments methods (use equations provided in the file: `formule-distribuzioni.pdf`). Where possible, plot the distributions with the estimated parameters into the probability plots.
4. Run the Pearson and Anderson-Darling statistical tests with a significance level of 5% on the distributions with estimated parameters.
5. On the basis of the distributions passing the statistical tests, provide an estimate of the design flow corresponding to the return period  $T = 100$  years, and determine the corresponding embankments height (without considering safety factors).



There are several maximum points identifying maxima annual discharges: the first one is in 1920, when there has been a  $Q=2670 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ . From 1948 to 1993 there have been some big discharges with values between 1646 and  $2300 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ .

- Zero values:

There are some values equal to 0 between 1920 and 1928 because there is no data information. The same is for year 2001.

- Other values:

All the other discharge values are included in a range between 232 and  $1310 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ .

▪ Characterization and description of the sample:

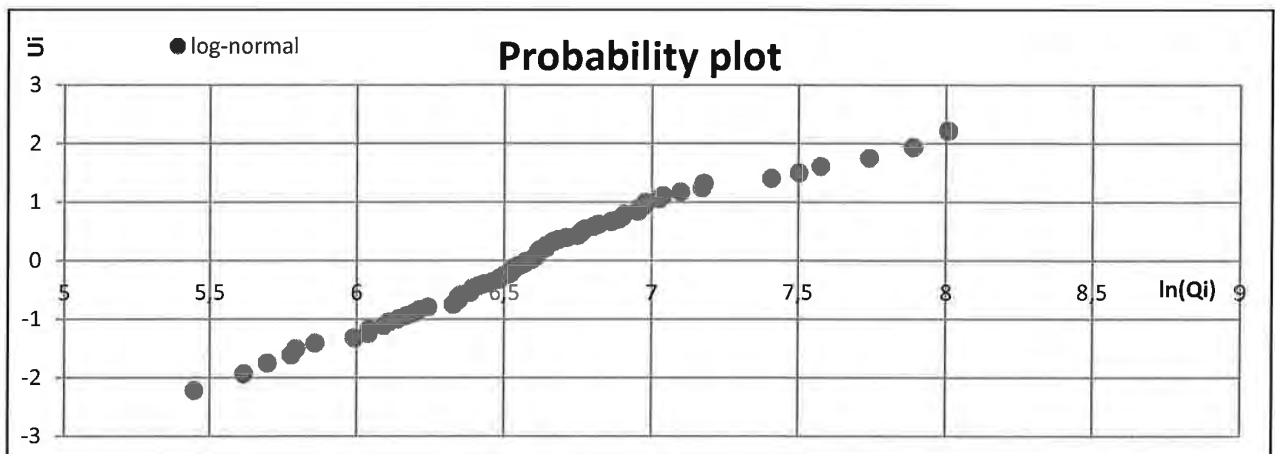
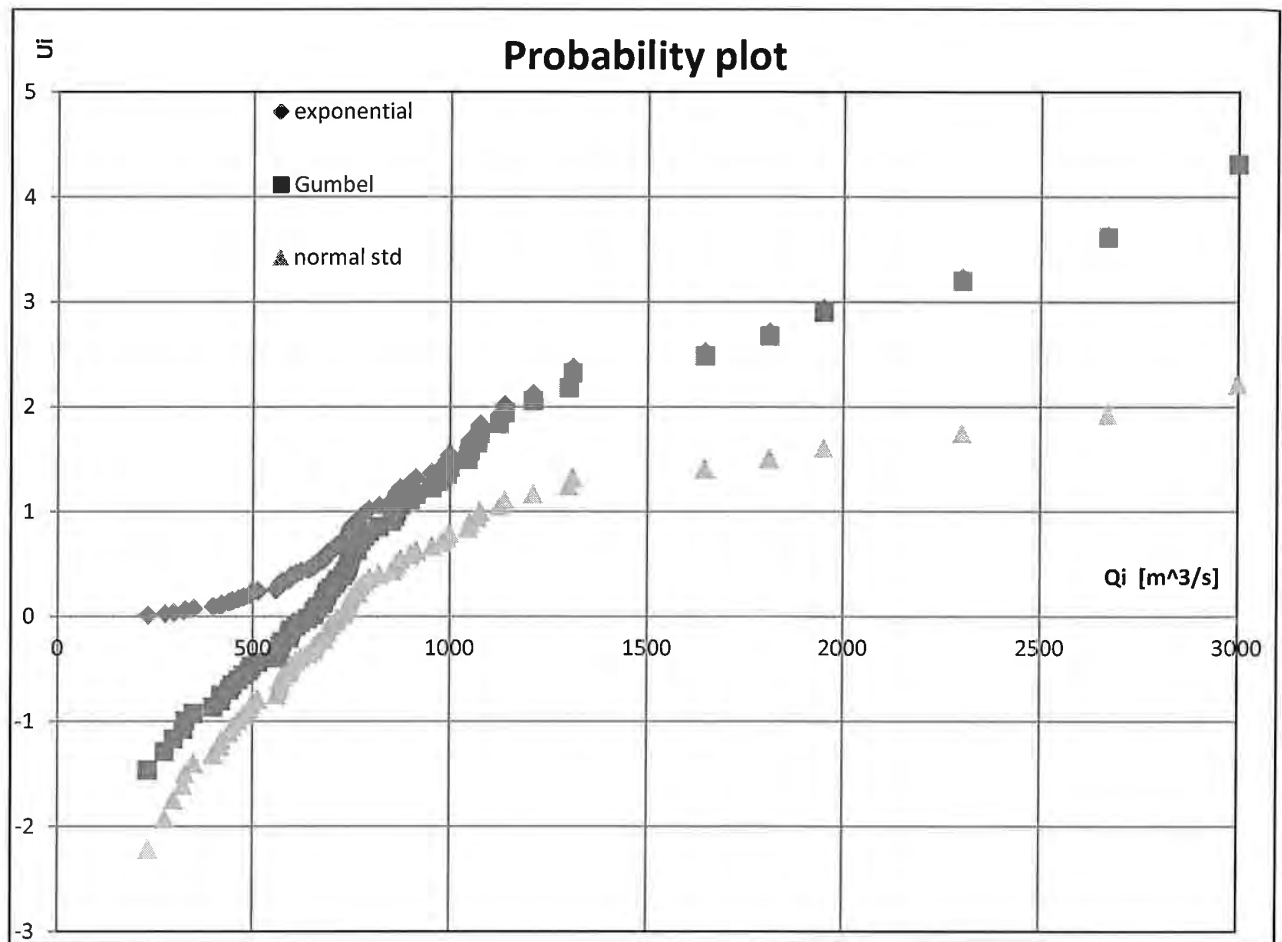
|                          | Mathematical formula                                             | Value     |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Sample size              | $N = \text{count number of } x_i$                                | 74        |
| Arithmetical mean        | $Q_{mean} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N Q_i$                        | 834.74    |
| Variance                 | $S^2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (Q_i - Q_{mean})^2$              | 246474.79 |
| Standard deviation       | $S = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (Q_i - Q_{mean})^2}$         | 496.46    |
| Coefficient of variation | $CV = \frac{S}{Q_{mean}}$                                        | 0.59      |
| Coefficient of asymmetry | $CA = \frac{1}{S^3} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (Q_i - Q_{mean})^3$ | 2.32      |

The sample is not symmetric since CA is different from 0.

For the Log\_Normal distribution one must first remember to use as a variable  $y=\ln(Q)$  in order to compute all the calculations. The formulas used are the same and results are the following:

|                          |      |
|--------------------------|------|
| Arithmetical mean        | 6.60 |
| Standard deviation       | 0.49 |
| Coefficient of variation | 0.07 |
| Coefficient of asymmetry | 0.43 |





For values smaller than  $Q=1000 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$  all distributions are good because the points are on a quite straight line, but for bigger values the plots are more dispersed. We are looking for linear plots and, from this first representations, we can see that Gumbel and Log-Normal respect the criterion.



### ▪ Method of L- moments

First we have to define some quantities:

$B_i$  = (sample) probability-weighted moments

$$B_0 = Q_{mean}$$

$$B_1 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \frac{i-1}{N-1} x_i \right)$$

$$B_2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \frac{(i-1)(i-2)}{(N-1)(N-2)} x_i \right)$$

$$B_r = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \left[ \frac{(i-1)(i-2) \dots (i-r)}{(N-1)(N-2) \dots (N-r)} x_i \right]$$

$$l_1 = B_0 \quad \text{Position parameter} \quad l_1 = L_1$$

$$l_2 = 2B_1 - B_0 \quad \text{Dispersion parameter} \quad l_2 = L_2$$

$$l_3 = 6B_2 - 6B_1 + B_0 \quad \text{Asymmetry parameter} \quad l_3 = L_3$$

| Type                                   | $L_1$                       | $L_2$                         | $\Theta_1$         | $\Theta_2$              |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| Exponential                            | $\theta$                    | $\frac{\theta}{2}$            | $l_1$              | /                       |
| Normal                                 | $\theta_1$                  | $\pi^{-\frac{1}{2}} \theta_2$ | $l_1$              | $\pi^{\frac{1}{2}} l_2$ |
| Log-Normal<br>(Use formulas of normal) | $\theta_1$                  | $\pi^{-\frac{1}{2}} \theta_2$ | $l_1$              | $\pi^{\frac{1}{2}} l_2$ |
| Gumbel                                 | $\theta_1 + 0.5772\theta_2$ | $\theta_2 \ln(2)$             | $l_1 - 0.5772 l_2$ | $\frac{l_2}{\ln(2)}$    |

| Type                                   | $l_1$  | $l_2$  | $\Theta_1$    | $\Theta_2$    |
|----------------------------------------|--------|--------|---------------|---------------|
| Exponential                            | 834.74 | 235.74 | <b>834.74</b> | /             |
| Normal                                 | 834.74 | 235.74 | <b>834.74</b> | <b>370.29</b> |
| Log-Normal<br>(Use formulas of normal) | 6.60   | 0.27   | <b>6.60</b>   | <b>0.48</b>   |
| Gumbel                                 | 834.74 | 235.74 | <b>638.44</b> | <b>340.10</b> |

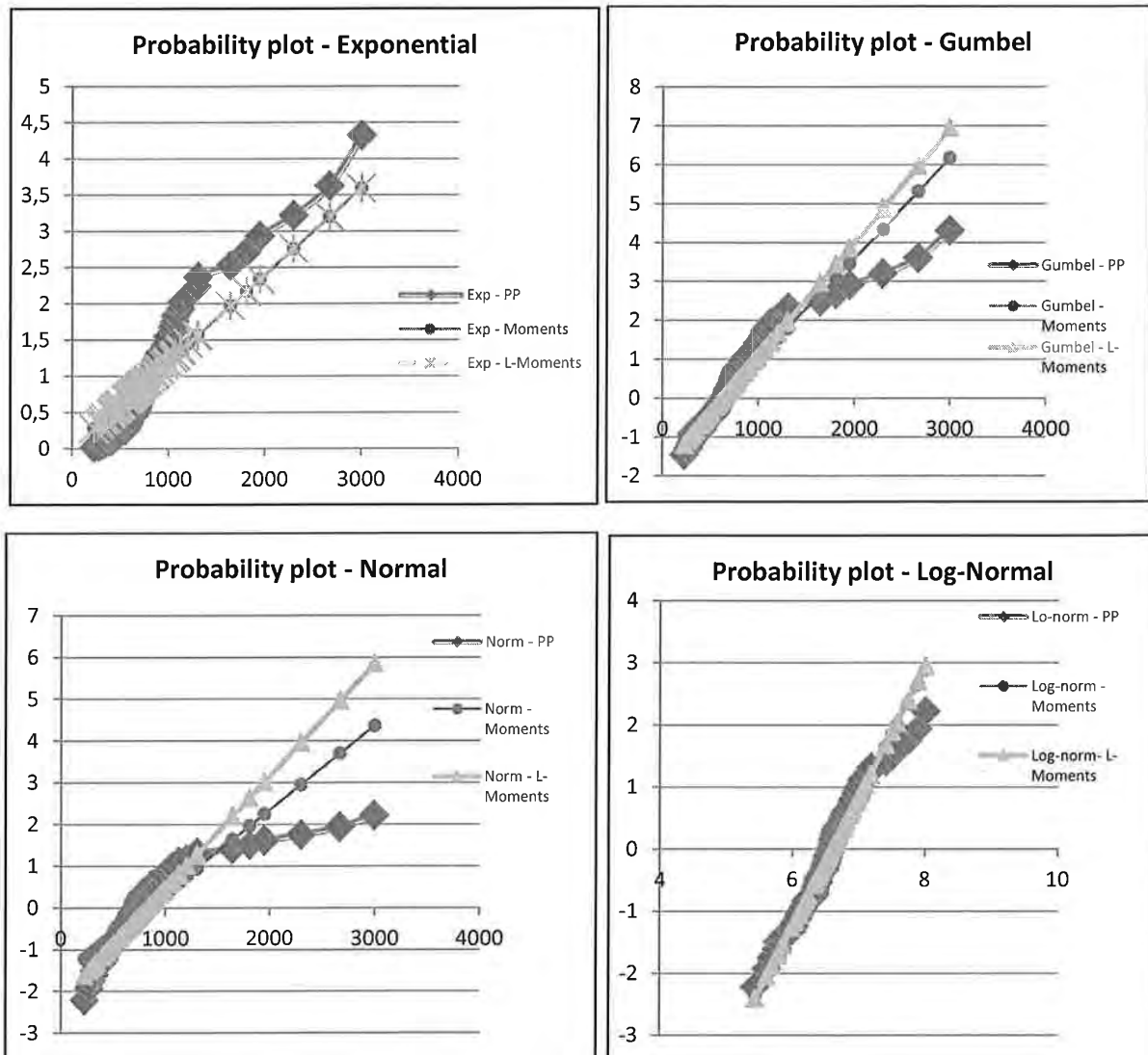
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| $B_0$        | <b>834.74</b> |
| $B_1$        | <b>535.24</b> |
| $B_2$        | <b>409.72</b> |
| $B_{0 \log}$ | <b>6.60</b>   |
| $B_{1 \log}$ | <b>3.43</b>   |

There is no need to calculate  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  because we can use the formulary in which we have the law of each teta. Remember that for all the calculations of the Log-Normal distribution we always use  $y_i = \ln(Q_i)$ .



We can see that the best distribution approximating the sample is the Log-Normal because all the 3 series coincide.

It looks like that the Exponential may be good to use but it doesn't fit very well as the Gumbel distribution; it seems the Normal distribution isn't good for our data.



4. Now the **Pearson (Chi-Squared) test** must be performed and then, for those distributions that pass it, the Anderson Darling test is run.

- Pearson test

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{(O_j - E_j)^2}{E_j}$$

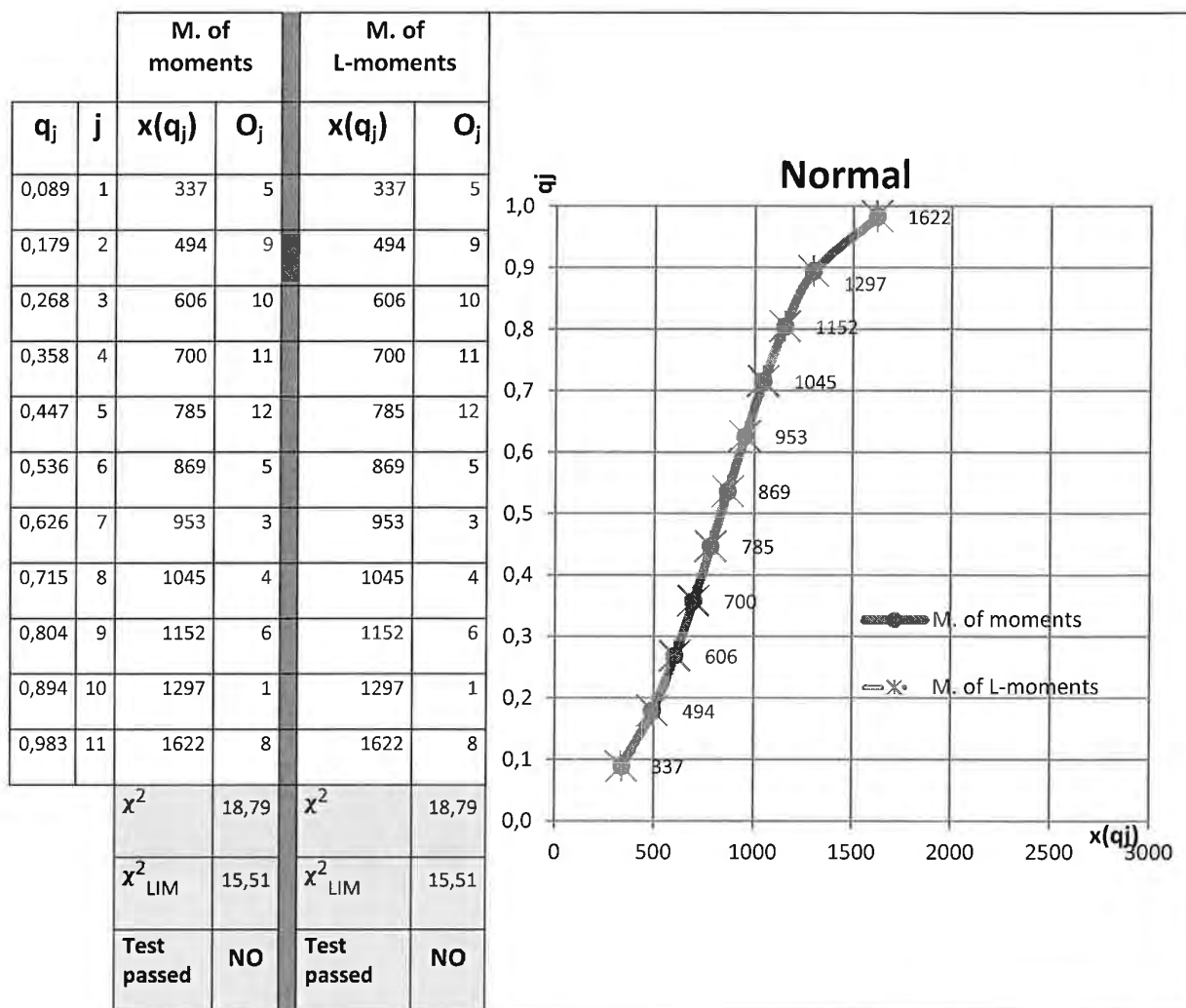
For this test we must define the number of classes,  $k$ , in which our data are divided. We assume that every class has the same probability  $q_j$ .

$$k = 2N^{0.4} = 11.187 \approx 11 \text{ classes}$$



| Percentage Points of the Chi-Square Distribution |                                           |        |        |        |        |       |       |       |       |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Degrees of Freedom                               | Probability of a larger value of $\chi^2$ |        |        |        |        |       |       |       |       |
|                                                  | 0.99                                      | 0.95   | 0.90   | 0.75   | 0.50   | 0.25  | 0.10  | 0.05  | 0.01  |
| 1                                                | 0.000                                     | 0.004  | 0.016  | 0.102  | 0.455  | 1.32  | 2.71  | 3.84  | 6.63  |
| 2                                                | 0.020                                     | 0.103  | 0.211  | 0.575  | 1.386  | 2.77  | 4.61  | 5.99  | 9.21  |
| 3                                                | 0.115                                     | 0.352  | 0.584  | 1.212  | 2.366  | 4.11  | 6.25  | 7.81  | 11.34 |
| 4                                                | 0.297                                     | 0.711  | 1.064  | 1.923  | 3.357  | 5.39  | 7.78  | 9.49  | 13.28 |
| 5                                                | 0.554                                     | 1.145  | 1.610  | 2.675  | 4.351  | 6.63  | 9.24  | 11.07 | 15.09 |
| 6                                                | 0.872                                     | 1.635  | 2.204  | 3.455  | 5.348  | 7.84  | 10.64 | 12.59 | 16.81 |
| 7                                                | 1.239                                     | 2.167  | 2.833  | 4.255  | 6.346  | 9.04  | 12.02 | 14.07 | 18.48 |
| 8                                                | 1.647                                     | 2.733  | 3.490  | 5.071  | 7.344  | 10.22 | 13.36 | 15.51 | 20.09 |
| 9                                                | 2.088                                     | 3.325  | 4.168  | 5.899  | 8.343  | 11.39 | 14.68 | 16.92 | 21.67 |
| 10                                               | 2.558                                     | 3.940  | 4.865  | 6.737  | 9.342  | 12.55 | 15.99 | 18.31 | 23.21 |
| 11                                               | 3.053                                     | 4.575  | 5.578  | 7.584  | 10.341 | 13.70 | 17.28 | 19.68 | 24.72 |
| 12                                               | 3.571                                     | 5.226  | 6.304  | 8.438  | 11.340 | 14.85 | 18.55 | 21.03 | 26.22 |
| 13                                               | 4.107                                     | 5.892  | 7.042  | 9.299  | 12.340 | 15.98 | 19.81 | 22.36 | 27.69 |
| 14                                               | 4.660                                     | 6.571  | 7.790  | 10.165 | 13.339 | 17.12 | 21.06 | 23.68 | 29.14 |
| 15                                               | 5.229                                     | 7.261  | 8.547  | 11.037 | 14.339 | 18.25 | 22.31 | 25.00 | 30.58 |
| 16                                               | 5.812                                     | 7.962  | 9.312  | 11.912 | 15.338 | 19.37 | 23.54 | 26.30 | 32.00 |
| 17                                               | 6.408                                     | 8.672  | 10.085 | 12.792 | 16.338 | 20.49 | 24.77 | 27.59 | 33.41 |
| 18                                               | 7.015                                     | 9.390  | 10.865 | 13.675 | 17.338 | 21.60 | 25.99 | 28.87 | 34.80 |
| 19                                               | 7.633                                     | 10.117 | 11.651 | 14.562 | 18.338 | 22.72 | 27.20 | 30.14 | 36.19 |
| 20                                               | 8.260                                     | 10.851 | 12.443 | 15.452 | 19.337 | 23.83 | 28.41 | 31.41 | 37.57 |
| 22                                               | 9.542                                     | 12.338 | 14.041 | 17.240 | 21.337 | 26.04 | 30.81 | 33.92 | 40.29 |
| 24                                               | 10.856                                    | 13.848 | 15.659 | 19.037 | 23.337 | 28.24 | 33.20 | 36.42 | 42.98 |
| 26                                               | 12.198                                    | 15.379 | 17.292 | 20.843 | 25.336 | 30.43 | 35.56 | 38.89 | 45.64 |
| 28                                               | 13.565                                    | 16.928 | 18.939 | 22.657 | 27.336 | 32.62 | 37.92 | 41.34 | 48.28 |
| 30                                               | 14.953                                    | 18.493 | 20.599 | 24.478 | 29.336 | 34.80 | 40.26 | 43.77 | 50.89 |
| 40                                               | 22.164                                    | 26.509 | 29.051 | 33.660 | 39.335 | 45.62 | 51.80 | 55.76 | 63.69 |
| 50                                               | 27.707                                    | 34.764 | 37.689 | 42.942 | 49.335 | 56.33 | 63.17 | 67.50 | 76.15 |
| 60                                               | 37.485                                    | 43.188 | 46.459 | 52.294 | 59.335 | 66.98 | 74.40 | 79.08 | 88.38 |

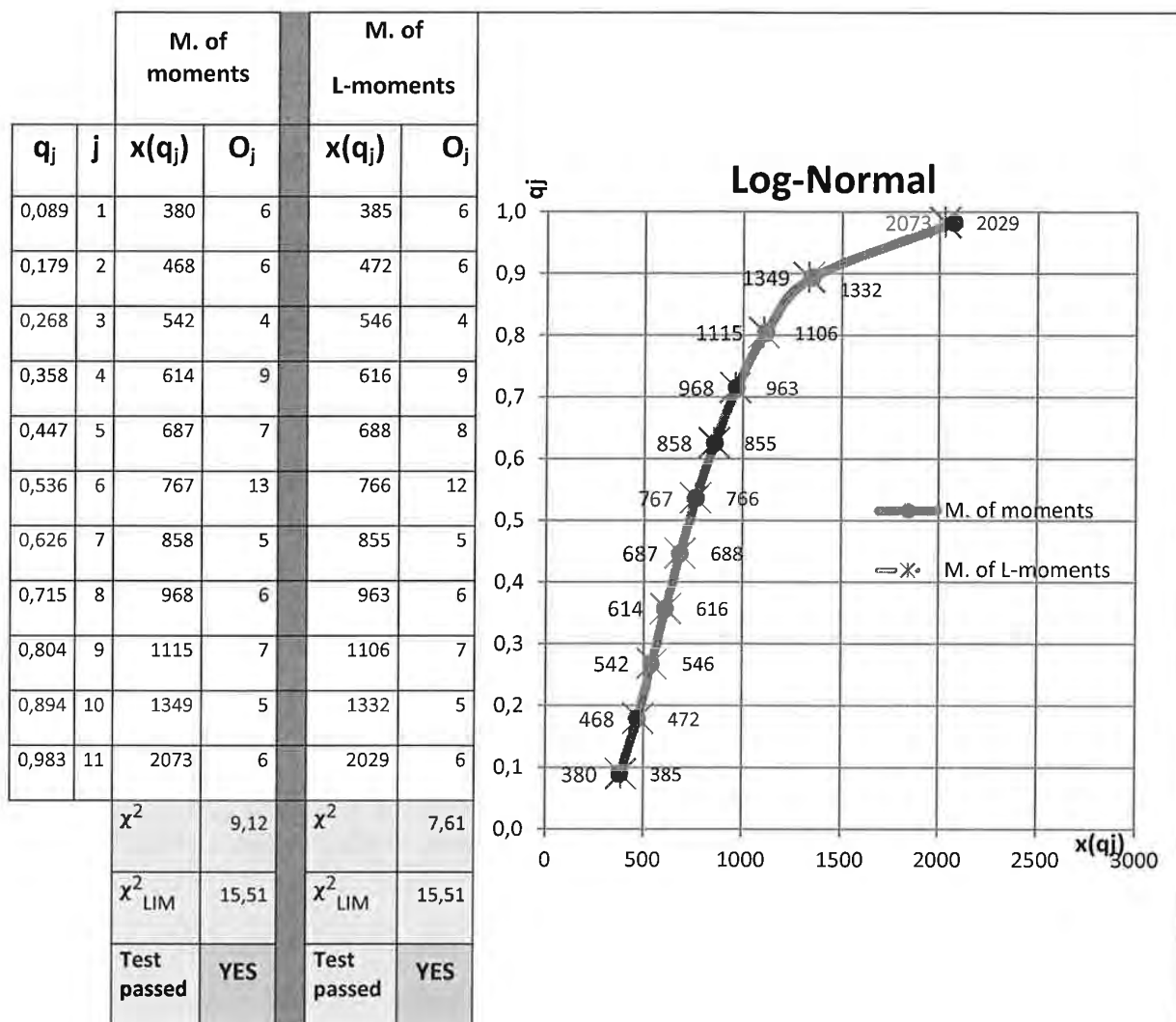




- Gumbel

This distribution passes the Pearson's test only for theta coming from the L-moment method. Its degree of freedom is  $v=8$ .

The division in classes now is different if we use the parameters coming from the method of moments or the method of L-moments.



- GEV

This distribution passes the Pearson's test for  $teta$  coming from both methods. Its degree of freedom is  $v=7$ .

The division in classes now is also different.



- Anderson-Darling test

We perform this test only on the distributions that passed the previous one.

$$A^2 = -N - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=2}^N \{ (2i-1) \cdot \ln[P(x_{(i)})] + (2N+1-2i) \cdot \ln[1-P(x_{(i)})] \}$$

$$\begin{cases} A^2 = 0 \div 4 \\ A^2 < A^2_{LIM} & \text{Test positive} \\ A^2 < A^2_{LIM} & \text{Test negative} \end{cases}$$

Where  $P(x_{(i)})$  is the cumulative probability (CDF) of the function tested and  $N$  is the sample size. For practical reasons we have to transform the variable  $A^2$  into  $\omega$  using the following relations and find the coefficients  $\epsilon$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\eta$  from the table.

$$\begin{cases} \omega = 0.0403 + 0.116 \left( \frac{A^2 - \epsilon}{\beta} \right)^{\frac{\eta}{0.861}} & \text{if } 1.2\epsilon \leq A^2 \\ \omega = \left[ 0.0403 + 0.116 \left( \frac{0.2\epsilon}{\beta} \right)^{\frac{\eta}{0.861}} \right] \frac{A^2 - 0.2\epsilon}{\epsilon} & \text{if } 1.2\epsilon > A^2 \end{cases}$$

| Type              | $\epsilon$                                                     | $\beta$                                                        | $\eta$                                                         |
|-------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Gumbel,<br>EV1    | 0.169                                                          | 0.229                                                          | 1.141                                                          |
| Norm,<br>Log-norm | 0.167                                                          | 0.229                                                          | 1.147                                                          |
| GEV               | $0.147(1 + 0.13 \theta_3 + 0.21 \theta_3^2 + 0.09 \theta_3^3)$ | $0.189(1 + 0.20 \theta_3 + 0.37 \theta_3^2 + 0.17 \theta_3^3)$ | $0.186(1 - 0.04 \theta_3 - 0.04 \theta_3^2 - 0.01 \theta_3^3)$ |

The limits are:

|                  |                 |
|------------------|-----------------|
| $\omega < 0.347$ | $\alpha = 0.10$ |
| $\omega < 0.461$ | $\alpha = 0.05$ |
| $\omega < 0.743$ | $\alpha = 0.01$ |

In our case, since  $\alpha=5\%$ , if  $\omega < \omega_{LIM} = 0.461$  the test is positive.

- Gumbel L-moments

This distribution doesn't pass the test.

| $A^2$ | $\epsilon_p$ | $1,2*\epsilon_p$ | $\beta_p$ | $\eta_p$ | $\omega$ |
|-------|--------------|------------------|-----------|----------|----------|
| 1,431 | 0,169        | 0,203            | 0,229     | 1,141    | 1,154    |
|       |              | $<A^2$           |           |          | no       |

## 5. Embankment height

Finally, to calculate the height, we have to find the mean value of the maximum discharges given by the 3 distributions that have passed Anderson's test, for a return period of  $T=100$  years.

The probability of non exceedance is:

$$P_{non\ exceed} = 1 - \frac{1}{T} = 0.99$$

So the values of discharge are given by the quintile functions  $x^{-1}(P_{non\ exceed})$ :

| Type & method |       | Q [m <sup>3</sup> /s] |
|---------------|-------|-----------------------|
| Log-norm      | Mom   | 2286                  |
| Log-norm      | L-Mom | 2233                  |
| GEV           | L-Mom | 2822                  |

Now we compute the mean and the deviation:

$$Q_{d,mean} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{i=1}^3 Q_i = 2447 \frac{m^3}{s}$$

$$S_d = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3} \sum_{i=1}^3 (Q_i - Q_{d,mean})^2} = 1201 \frac{m^3}{s}$$

The discharge design value is  $Q_d = (2447 \pm 1201) m^3/s$ .

The height is found by reversing the given formula:

$$h = -0.05 + \sqrt[1.81]{\frac{Q_{d,mean}}{142}} = 4.77 m$$



## Distribuzione Lognormale a 2 parametri

$$P(x) = \frac{1}{\theta_2 \sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^x \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\ln(x) - \theta_1}{\theta_2} \right)^2 \right] dx$$

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{x\theta_2 \sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\ln(x) - \theta_1}{\theta_2} \right)^2 \right] \quad x > 0$$

$$x(F) = \exp [\theta_1 + \theta_2 \Phi^{-1}(F)] \quad \theta_2 > 0$$

| <i>Momenti</i>                                                   | <i>L Momenti</i>                                                        |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| $\mu = \exp(\theta_1 + \theta_2^2/2)$                            | $L_1 = \exp(\theta_1 + \theta_2^2/2)$                                   |
| $\sigma^2 = [\exp(\theta_2^2) - 1] \exp(2\theta_1 + \theta_2^2)$ | $L_2 = e^{\theta_1 + \theta_2^2/2} [2\Phi(\theta_2/\sqrt{2}) - 1]$      |
| <i>Parametri(M)</i>                                              | <i>Parametri(L<sub>M</sub>)</i>                                         |
| $\hat{\theta}_1 = \ln \bar{x} - 1/2 \ln(1 + s^2/\bar{x}^2)$      | $\hat{\theta}_1 = \ln l_1 - \theta_2^2/2$                               |
| $\hat{\theta}_2 = \sqrt{\ln(1 + s^2/\bar{x}^2)}$                 | $\hat{\theta}_2 = \sqrt{2}\Phi^{-1} \left( \frac{1+l_2/l_1}{2} \right)$ |

### 0.4.1 Relazione con la distribuzione Normale

La distribuzione Lognormale è caratterizzata dal fatto che il logaritmo naturale della variabile,  $x$ , segue una distribuzione normale; quindi è possibile applicare le formule della distribuzione normale alla variabile modificata  $\ln(x)$ , ovvero

$$P(x) = \Phi \left( \frac{\ln x - \theta_1}{\theta_2} \right)$$

## Distribuzione di Gumbel

$$P(x) = e^{-e^{-\frac{x-\theta_1}{\theta_2}}}$$

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{\theta_2} e^{-\frac{x-\theta_1}{\theta_2}} e^{-e^{-\frac{x-\theta_1}{\theta_2}}}$$

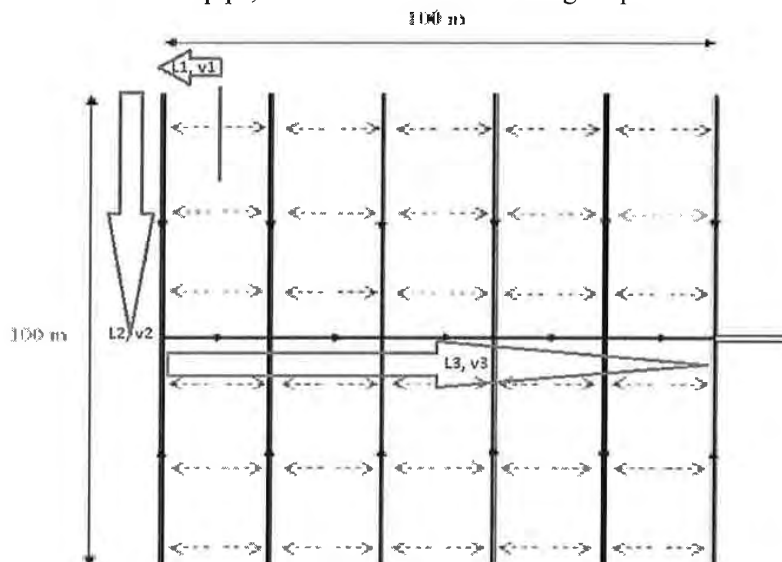
$$x(F) = \theta_1 - \theta_2 \ln |-\ln(F)|$$

| <i>Momenti</i>                                     | <i>L Momenti</i>                        |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| $\mu = \theta_1 + 0.5772\theta_2$                  | $L_1 = \theta_1 + 0.5772\theta_2$       |
| $\sigma^2 = \pi^2(\theta_2^2/6)$                   | $L_2 = \theta_2 \ln 2$                  |
| $\gamma = 1.1396$                                  | $\tau_3 = 0.1699$                       |
| $\kappa = 5 + 2/5$                                 | $\tau_4 = 0.1504$                       |
| <i>Parametri(M)</i>                                | <i>Parametri(L<sub>M</sub>)</i>         |
| $\hat{\theta}_1 = \bar{x} - 0.5772s(\sqrt{6}/\pi)$ | $\hat{\theta}_1 = l_1 - 0.5772\theta_2$ |
| $\hat{\theta}_2 = s(\sqrt{6}/\pi)$                 | $\hat{\theta}_2 = l_2/\ln 2$            |

## ASSIGNMENT 2

### Design and verification of a stormwater drainage system using IDF curves

Consider the asphalt parking lot outlined below: thick lines indicates the drainage gutters (arrows indicate the flow direction), dotted arrows indicate the slopes of asphalt pavement, while the rectangular element on the right indicates the stormwater outlet pipe, made of concrete and having a square section of dimension  $y$ .



Consider the annual maximum rainfall depth in the study area for durations 1, 3, 6, 12 and 24 hours given in the file 'dati.txt' (in mm) and the Intensity-Duration-Frequency (IDF) curves determined with the precipitation index method, thus based on the formulas

$$i_T(d) = K_T \cdot \bar{a} \cdot d^{n-1};$$

$$K_T = 1 - CV \left[ \gamma_E \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\pi} + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\pi} \ln \left( -\ln \left( 1 - \frac{1}{T} \right) \right) \right]$$

The critical duration of rainfall equals the concentration time of the parking lot area, for which you may consider a flow velocity over the asphalt pavement equal to 2 cm/s, and a flow velocity in the gutters equal to 10 cm/s. The stormwater discharge flowing out of the parking lot must be equal to the rainfall reaching the ground in the same unit of time.

The stormwater outlet pipe has a slope of  $j = 0.3\%$  and a Strickler roughness coefficient for concrete of  $k_s = 65 \text{ m}^{0.33}/\text{s}$ , thus the maximum flow through the pipe can be determined by:

$$Q_{out}(y) = 0.397 \cdot k_s \cdot y^{2.666} \cdot \sqrt{j},$$

where  $y$  is the side length of the square section of the outlet pipe.

You should:

- Determine the probability that, in a given year, the drainage system receives more stormwater than it is designed to handle and the existing outlet pipe is inadequate to fully drain the flow, considering an outlet square section with  $y = 40 \text{ cm}$ .
- Design the stormwater outlet (square section) that properly drains the flow generated by a rainfall event corresponding to a return period of 10 years.

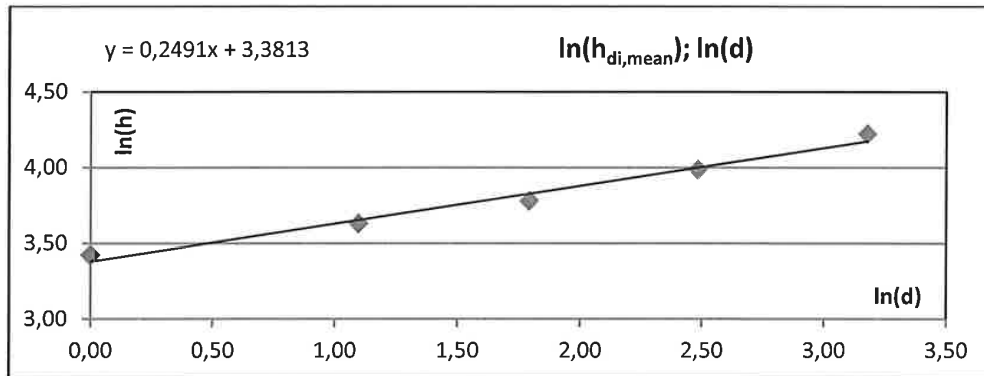


2. Now, we can find the parameters  $a$  and  $n$  by plotting  $\ln(d)$  and  $\ln(h_{di,mean})$  and ask for the tendency linear equation.

$$\overline{h_d} = a \cdot d^n \leftrightarrow \ln(\overline{h_d}) = \ln(a) + n \cdot \ln(d)$$

Results:  $\ln(a) = 3.3813 \Rightarrow a = \exp(3.3813) = 29.41 \text{ mm}$  (intercept)

$n = 0.2491$  (slope)



3. The maximum flow through the pipe  $Q_{out}$  can be calculated and it is assumed equal to the rainfall reaching the ground in the same unit time:

$$Q_{out}(y = 0.4) = 0.397 \cdot K_s \cdot y^{2.666} \cdot \sqrt{j} = 0.123 \frac{m^3}{s}$$

$$K_s = 65 \text{ m}^{0.33}/s$$

$$j = 0.003$$

$$Q_{ground} = i \cdot \text{Area} \cdot C_{runoff}$$

$$C_{runoff} = 1$$

$$\text{Area} = 10000 \text{ m}^2$$

$$Q_{out} = Q_{ground}$$

So the critical intensity  $i_T(d)$  is equal to the intensity  $i$  reaching the ground, that can be found by reversing the formula of  $Q_{ground}$ :

$$i = \frac{Q_{out}}{\text{Area} \cdot C_{runoff}} = \frac{0.123}{10000 \cdot 1} = 12.3 \cdot 10^{-6} \frac{m}{h} = 12.3 \frac{mm}{h}$$

4. Now we need to find the critical duration  $d_c$  that is equal to the concentration time  $t_{cb}$  (the time that the most distant particle needs to reach the pipe).

$$L_1 = 10 \text{ m} \quad v_1 = 0.02 \text{ m/s}$$

$$L_2 = 50 \text{ m} \quad v_2 = 0.1 \text{ m/s}$$

$$L_3 = 100 \text{ m} \quad v_3 = 0.1 \text{ m/s}$$

$$t_{cb} = \frac{L_1}{v_1} + \frac{L_2}{v_2} + \frac{L_3}{v_3} = 2000 \text{ s} = 0.555 \text{ h}$$

5. Finally the coefficient  $K_T$  can be calculated by reversing the IDF formula ( $d=t_{cb}$ ):

$$K_T = \frac{i}{a \cdot t_{cb}^{n-1}} = 0.967$$

6. To find the probability of non exceedance, we must reverse the  $K_T$  formula in order to find  $1-1/T$ :

$$\ln\left(-\ln\left(1 - \frac{1}{T}\right)\right) = \frac{1 - K_T}{CV} \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{6}} - \gamma_E = Z \quad (\text{called } Z \text{ for simplicity})$$

$$P_{non\ exceed} = 1 - \frac{1}{T} = \exp(-\exp(Z)) = 0.53 = 53\%$$

## ASSIGNMENT 3

### An introduction to GIS in Hydrology - Catchment characterization

Given a digital elevation model (DTM) of the Arezzo province in central Italy, we are going to use the Q-GIS\* functions to answer the following:

1. Identify the streamflow network over the whole DTM
2. Delineate the catchment that contributes to the following outlet point along the Arno river:  
E 11.8730646727, N 43.5866988302
3. Evaluate the catchment area and perimeter. Get the minimum, mean, and maximum catchment height. Determine the hypsometric curve of the catchment.
4. Add the geo-referenced annual rainfall data (gauges.csv) and via the Thiessen method find the spatial distribution of rainfall over the catchment.
5. Find the areal average precipitation over the whole catchment, and the corresponding volume.
6. Compare the annual volumes of precipitation and of water flown at the catchment outlet (streamflow gauge).

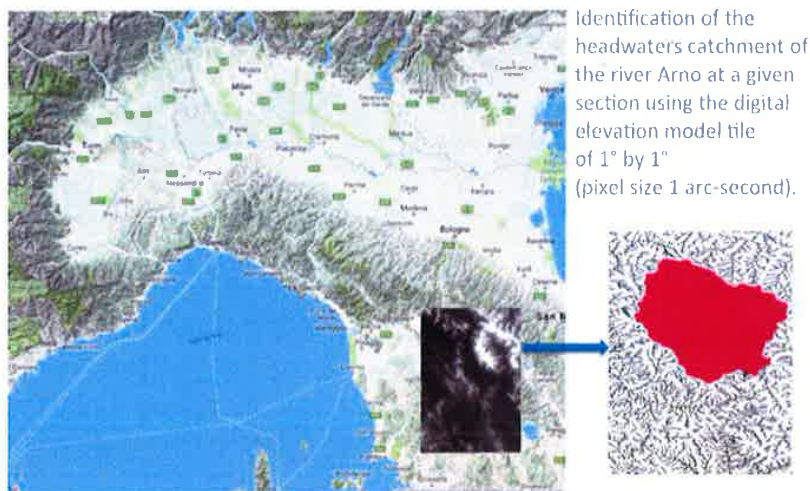
\*QuantumGIS is an open source software that we can download and use on our own computer. It can run on Windows, MacOS, and Linux systems. We may download it here:

<http://www.qgis.org/en/site/forusers/download.html#>



## 2. The studied region:

### Our DEM: a tile from Central Italy



Using the function **r.watersheds** that allows to obtain, from a DEM file, the drainage direction map, the drainage density map and the stream network raster.

This function can use two different algorithms:

- Single flow direction (**SFD**): assumes that subsurface flow occurs only in the steepest down-slope neighbour;
- Multiple flow direction (**MFD**): assumes that subsurface flow occurs in all down-slope neighbours.

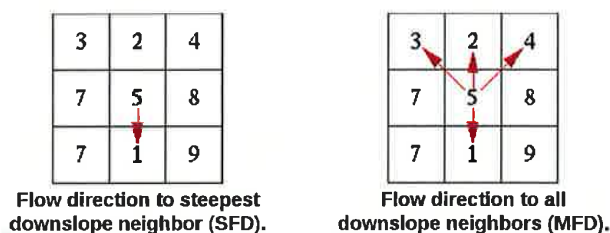
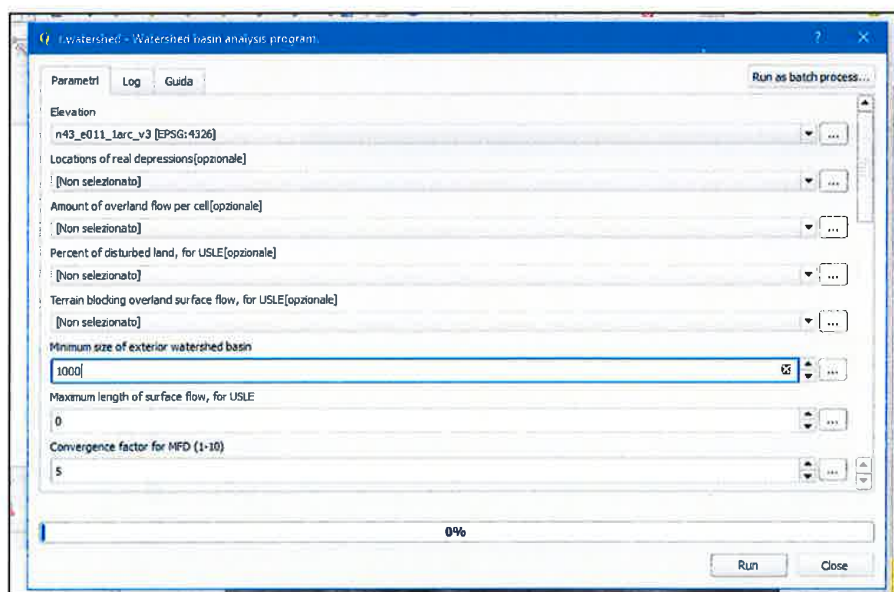


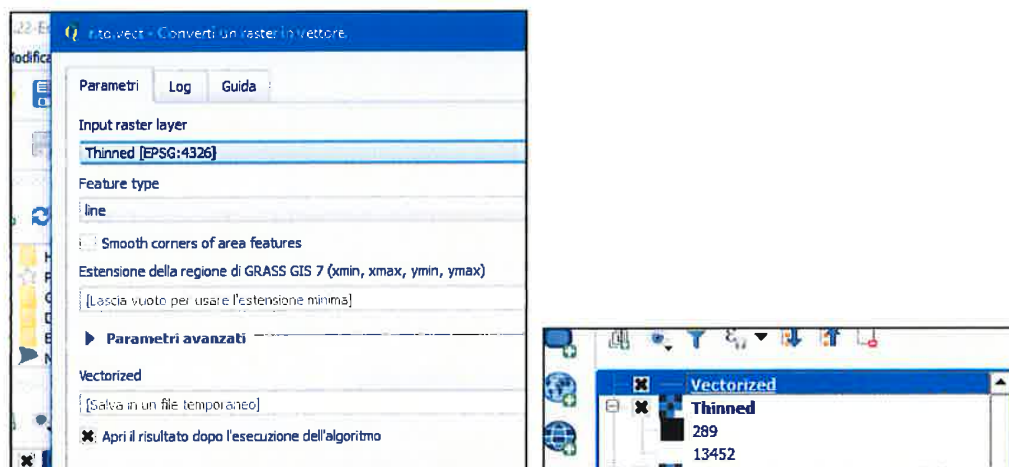
Figure 3: Difference between SFD and MFD algorithms

Set the following information and then run the function:

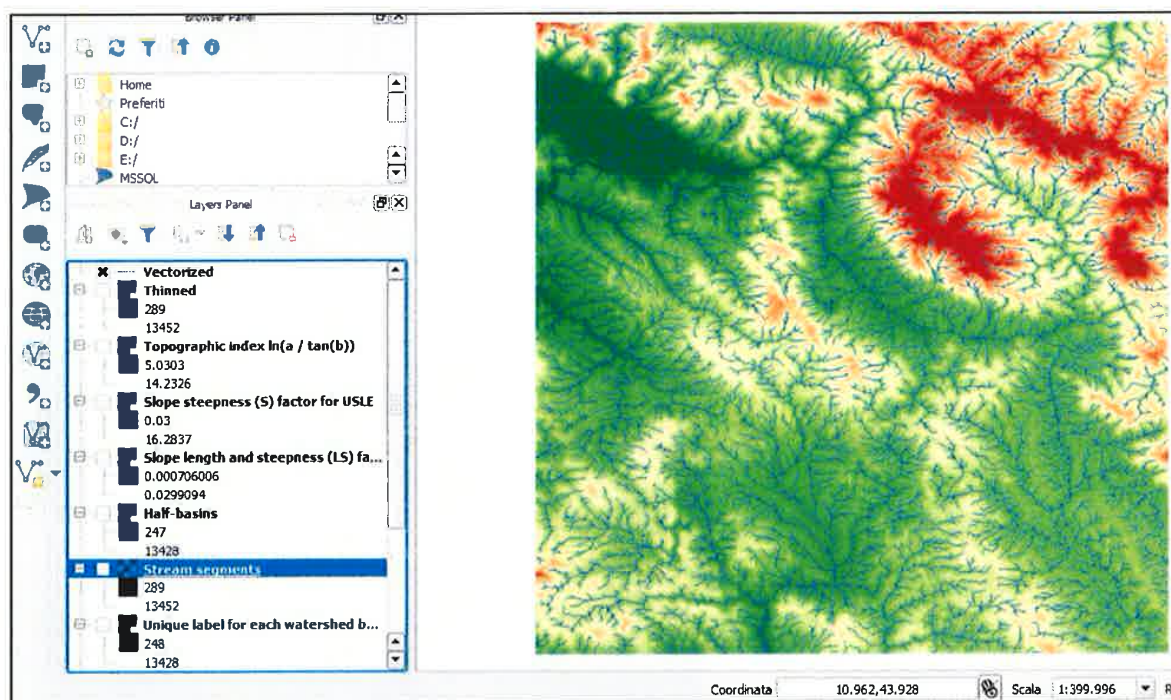


From **Processing Tab > Toolbox > Grass Gis 7 commands > Raster >** double-click on **r.to.vect**

As result we have a file named "Vectorized".



Result after setting a blue colour to the vectors and "banda singola falso colore" to the map:



## 2. Catchment delineation:

A catchment area is otherwise considered a drainage basin. The basin is where water flows over topographic terrain and consists of water runoff into surrounding rivers, streams and lakes. (Wagener et al. 2007).

To delineate the catchment we have to use the function **r.water.outlet** that generates a watershed basin from a drainage direction map and a set of coordinates representing the outlet point of watershed.

From **Processing Tab > Toolbox > Grass Gis 7 commands > Raster >** double-click on **r.water.outlet**



The coordinates of the outlet point are:

x=11.8730646727

y=43.5866988302



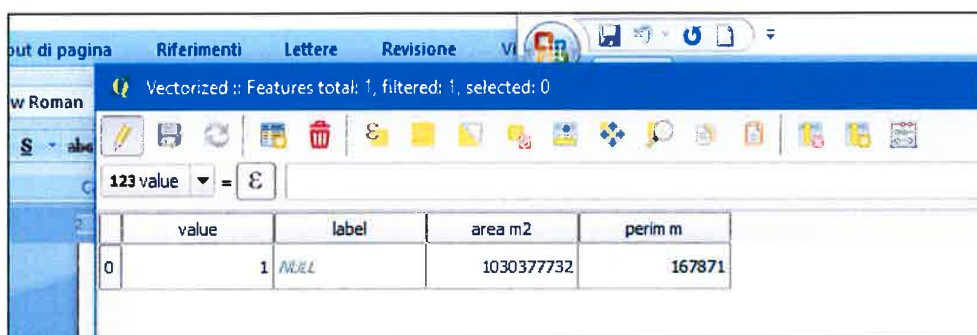
### 3. Catchment stats:

The first step is to calculate the perimeter and the area of the catchment. To do this, we have to open the attribute tables of the last file "vectorized" that represents the vector basin. Firstly click on the "toggle editing mode" icon  and then click on the "open field calculator" icon .



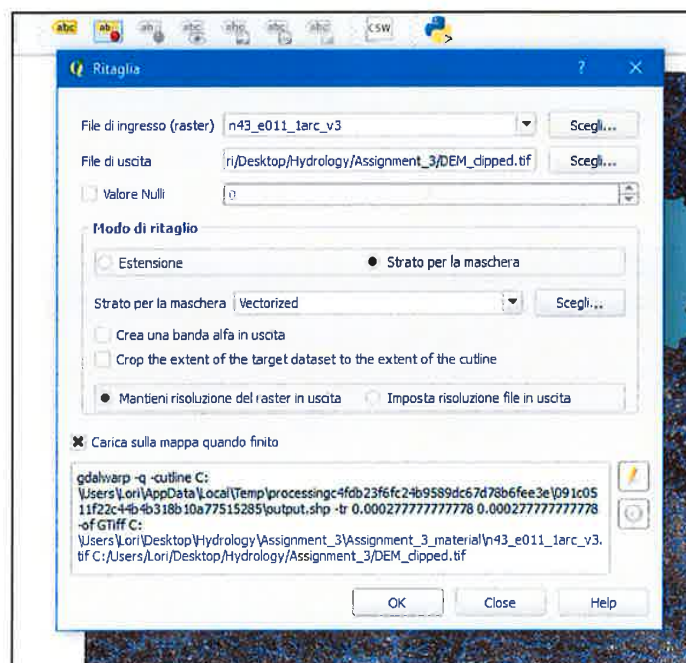
The window in the following figure appears. In this last one, we have to create a new variable named **[area] m2** in "output field name", then double-click on **Geometry** > **\$area** and finally click **OK**. In this way we have created a new column in the table representing the area of basin.

We have to do the same thing with the perimeter: create a new variables named **[perim] m** > double-click on **Geometry** > **\$perimeter**.

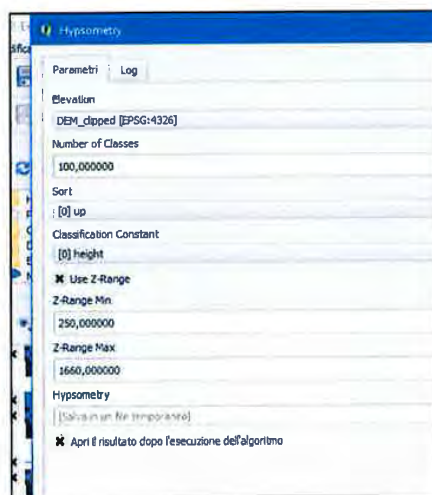


The next step is to use the layer "vectorized" to cut the DEM with the command "clipper" from the **menu bar>raster>extraction>clipper**.

The input file is the initial raster "n43\_e011\_1arc\_v3" while for the output file, we have to choose a folder destination and the file name "DEM\_clipped". Then we select the option "mask layer" (after selection we don't change anything in the windows that appears) and choose "vectorized" as mask layer.



In the next step you want to calculate  $Z_{min}$ ,  $Z_{max}$ , and  $Z_{mean}$ . Firstly you have to activate the "zonal statistical plugins" from the **menu bar> plugins**.



The output of the SAGA hypsometry function is a table. We copy the content of this table to obtain the graph (the hypsographic curve) in Excel.

In the "Relative Area" column we have the portion of the catchment area below a corresponding "Absolute Height". For example at 1652 m we have that the area of catchment below this height is 100%.

In order to make the hypsographic curve we want the area above a given absolute height.

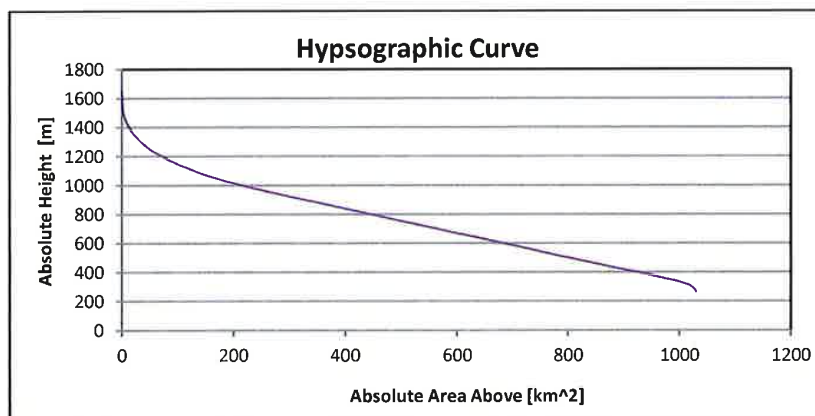
Therefore we create a new column that is equal to 100 – relative area. Later, in a new column, we obtain the absolute area by multiplying the "relative area above" by the catchment area (1030.38 Km<sup>2</sup> calculated earlier).

| Nr. Points | Relative Height<br>[%] | Relative Area Below<br>[%] | Relative Area Above<br>[%] | Absolute Area Above<br>[km <sup>2</sup> ] | Absolute Height<br>[m] | Absolute Area<br>[km <sup>2</sup> ] |
|------------|------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 0          | 100                    | 100                        | 0                          | 0                                         | 1652                   | 0,08317                             |
| 1          | 99                     | 99,99295                   | 0,00705                    | 0,07264163                                | 1638,1                 | 0,083162                            |
| 2          | 98                     | 99,98358                   | 0,01642                    | 0,169188024                               | 1624,2                 | 0,083155                            |
| 3          | 97                     | 99,975324                  | 0,024676                   | 0,254256009                               | 1610,3                 | 0,083146                            |
| 4          | 96                     | 99,964192                  | 0,035808                   | 0,368957658                               | 1596,4                 | 0,083136                            |
| 5          | 95                     | 99,951946                  | 0,048054                   | 0,495137715                               | 1582,5                 | 0,083124                            |
| 6          | 94                     | 99,937474                  | 0,062526                   | 0,644253981                               | 1568,6                 | 0,083106                            |
| 7          | 93                     | 99,916694                  | 0,083306                   | 0,858366473                               | 1554,7                 | 0,083089                            |
| 8          | 92                     | 99,896007                  | 0,103993                   | 1,071520715                               | 1540,8                 | 0,083063                            |
| 9          | 91                     | 99,865022                  | 0,134978                   | 1,390783255                               | 1526,9                 | 0,083031                            |
| 10         | 90                     | 99,825874                  | 0,174126                   | 1,79415553                                | 1513                   | 0,082983                            |
| 11         | 89                     | 99,768265                  | 0,231735                   | 2,387745837                               | 1499,1                 | 0,082913                            |
| 12         | 88                     | 99,684681                  | 0,315319                   | 3,248976761                               | 1485,2                 | 0,082821                            |
| 13         | 87                     | 99,574009                  | 0,425991                   | 4,389316404                               | 1471,3                 | 0,082714                            |
| 14         | 86                     | 99,444783                  | 0,555217                   | 5,720832332                               | 1457,4                 | 0,082591                            |
| 15         | 85                     | 99,297096                  | 0,702904                   | 7,242566293                               | 1443,5                 | 0,082446                            |
| 16         | 84                     | 99,1226                    | 0,8774                     | 9,040534221                               | 1429,6                 | 0,082284                            |
| 17         | 83                     | 98,928158                  | 1,071842                   | 11,04402129                               | 1415,7                 | 0,082104                            |
| 18         | 82                     | 98,712101                  | 1,287899                   | 13,27022451                               | 1401,8                 | 0,081917                            |
| 19         | 81                     | 98,48686                   | 1,51314                    | 15,59105761                               | 1387,9                 | 0,08172                             |
| 20         | 80                     | 98,250116                  | 1,749884                   | 18,03041507                               | 1374                   | 0,081499                            |
| 21         | 79                     | 97,984428                  | 2,015572                   | 20,76800506                               | 1360,1                 | 0,081251                            |
| 22         | 78                     | 97,685529                  | 2,314471                   | 23,8477938                                | 1346,2                 | 0,080979                            |
| 23         | 77                     | 97,359357                  | 2,640643                   | 27,20859745                               | 1332,3                 | 0,080693                            |
| 24         | 76                     | 97,015187                  | 2,984813                   | 30,75484849                               | 1318,4                 | 0,080394                            |
| 25         | 75                     | 96,65534                   | 3,34466                    | 34,46263185                               | 1304,5                 | 0,080073                            |
| 26         | 74                     | 96,270074                  | 3,729926                   | 38,43232692                               | 1290,6                 | 0,079738                            |
| 27         | 73                     | 95,866625                  | 4,133375                   | 42,58937558                               | 1276,7                 | 0,079381                            |
| 28         | 72                     | 95,43813                   | 4,56187                    | 47,00449264                               | 1262,8                 | 0,078982                            |
| 29         | 71                     | 94,958426                  | 5,041574                   | 51,94725584                               | 1248,9                 | 0,078576                            |
| 30         | 70                     | 94,469817                  | 5,530183                   | 56,98177417                               | 1235                   | 0,078077                            |
| 31         | 69                     | 93,870164                  | 6,129836                   | 63,16046515                               | 1221,1                 | 0,07756                             |
| 32         | 68                     | 93,247875                  | 6,752125                   | 69,57239244                               | 1207,2                 | 0,077012                            |
| 33         | 67                     | 92,589222                  | 7,410778                   | 76,35900628                               | 1193,3                 | 0,076427                            |



| Nr. Points | Relative Height | Relative Area Below | Relative Area Above | Absolute Area Above | Absolute Height | Absolute Area      |
|------------|-----------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
|            | [%]             | [%]                 | [%]                 | [km <sup>2</sup> ]  | [m]             | [km <sup>2</sup> ] |
| 94         | 6               | 3,717866            | 96,282134           | 992,0696686         | 345,4           | 0,002041           |
| 95         | 5               | 2,45353             | 97,54647            | 1005,097105         | 331,5           | 0,001141           |
| 96         | 4               | 1,371947            | 98,628053           | 1016,241496         | 317,6           | 0,000663           |
| 97         | 3               | 0,796599            | 99,203401           | 1022,169753         | 303,7           | 0,000279           |
| 98         | 2               | 0,335078            | 99,664922           | 1026,925163         | 289,8           | 0,000056           |
| 99         | 1               | 0,066979            | 99,933021           | 1029,687595         | 275,9           | 0                  |
| 100        | 0               | 0,000186            | 99,999814           | 1030,375815         | 262             | 0                  |

To create the hypsographic curve plot on the y-axis the “Absolute Height” and on the x-axis the “Absolute area above”.

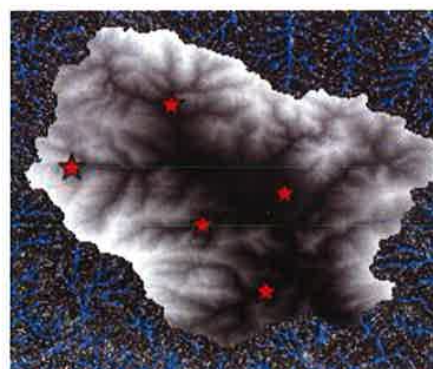
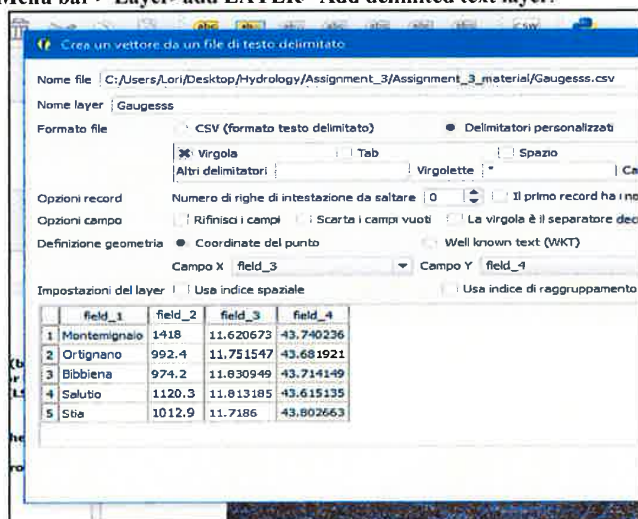


#### 4. Add rainfall gauges:

From the file “rainfall\_monthly\_data” compute (excel or similar) mean annual rainfall totals for the gauges, and save them into .CSV.

Import gauges coordinates into QGIS via:

Menu bar > Layer>add LAYER> Add delimited text layer.



#### 5. First method for the catchment precipitation estimation: Thiessen polygons:

The next step is to extract Voronoi/Thiessen polygon in order to identify the area of influence for each rainfall-gauge. We may use the function **v.voronoi** in the GRASS toolbox:

From menu bar> Processing Tab > Toolbox > Grass Gis 7 commands > vector > double-click on **v.voronoi**

Specify the region extent (xmin,xmax,ymin,ymax).

You use the file “five\_annual\_rainfall\_mm\_e\_n\_svd2nd\_titles” that contains the five rainfall gauges.

**Right click on file > click Set Project CRS from Layer .**

Then we use the interpolation plugin via:

**menu bar> Raster > Interpolation > Interpolation.** (This plug-in must be installed).

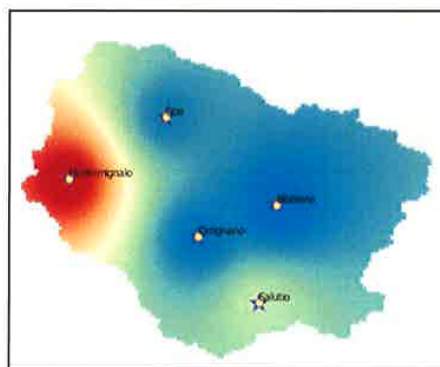
On the left side of the dialog (**Input**), choose *five\_annual\_rainfall\_mm\_e\_n\_svd2nd\_titles* as vector layers and *field\_2* as interpolation attribute and then press “Add”.

On the left side of the dialog (**Output**) press on "Set to current extent" and then modify "Cellsize x" and "cellsize y" values into **0.0025**. Finally choose a name for the output file (example "IDW\_test") and select OK.



**menu bar> Raster > Extraction > Clipper.**

Choose IDW raster as *Input file* and a name for the *output file* (example "IDW\_clipped"). As "Clipping Mode" select "Mask Layer" and choose "vectorized" as *mask layer*.



So we have a new file named "IDW\_clipped". We modify its symbology via:

**Layer Panel > right click on file "DEM\_clipped" > Properties> Style**

Select "Singleband pseudocolor" as *Render type*, then tick the box "Invert" and press "Apply".



### 8. Annual water volumes comparison (rainfall vs. streamflow):

|          |                   |        |                  | precipitation mm <sup>3</sup>         | x                             | y                          | AI m <sup>2</sup> | precip*AI | mean precip mm <sup>3</sup> |
|----------|-------------------|--------|------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|
|          | a_cat             | a_cat_ | a_str_1          | a_dbl_1                               | a_dbl_2                       | a_dbl_3                    | area polig        |           | 1076,18                     |
|          | 1                 | 2      | Ortignano        | 992,4                                 | 11,751547                     | 43,681921                  | 169070345,6       | 167,79    |                             |
| thiessen | 4                 | 5      | Stia             | 1012,9                                | 11,7186                       | 43,802663                  | 221798428,6       | 224,66    |                             |
|          | 5                 | 3      | Bibbiena         | 974,2                                 | 11,830949                     | 43,714149                  | 315978971,4       | 307,83    |                             |
|          | 2                 | 4      | Salutio          | 1120,3                                | 11,813185                     | 43,615135                  | 168823776,2       | 189,13    |                             |
|          | 3                 | 1      | Montemignaio     | 1418                                  | 11,620673                     | 43,740236                  | 154974895         | 219,75    |                             |
|          |                   |        |                  |                                       |                               |                            | sum tot           | 1109,16   |                             |
|          | value             | label  | area basin       | perimeter                             | annual precip mm <sup>3</sup> | mean precip m <sup>3</sup> |                   |           |                             |
| IDW      | 1                 |        | 1030646417       | 174230,83                             | 1084,96                       | 1,08496E-06                |                   |           |                             |
|          |                   |        |                  |                                       |                               |                            |                   |           |                             |
|          |                   |        |                  |                                       |                               |                            |                   |           |                             |
|          |                   |        |                  | rainfall on the basin Bm <sup>3</sup> |                               |                            |                   |           |                             |
|          | thiessen polygons |        | 1109159430827,12 | 1,11                                  |                               |                            |                   |           |                             |
|          | inverse squared   |        | 1,11821E+12      | 1,12                                  |                               |                            |                   |           |                             |

To compare stream flow total annual volume with rainfall total annual volume, we need to transform the precipitation (mm) into m<sup>3</sup>.

We obtain:

1° CASE (Thiessen Polygons)  $1076.36 \text{ mm} * \text{catchment area [m}^2\text{]} / (1000 \text{ mm/m}) = 1.11 \text{ Bm}^3$ .

2° CASE (IDW: Inverse Distance Interpolation)  $1084.96 \text{ mm} * \text{catchment area [m}^2\text{]} / (1000 \text{ mm/m}) = 1.12 \text{ Bm}^3$ .

Between 2011 and 2016 the mean annual volume of water precipitated over the catchment is approximately one billion m<sup>3</sup>, while the amount of water flown at the catchment outlet is 140 million m<sup>3</sup>.

Therefore approximately 13% of rainfall volume can be found in the river Arno at the catchment outlet.

| streamflow |          | 139,90 | Mm <sup>3</sup> | x10 <sup>6</sup> | ratio streamflow/rainfall |   |
|------------|----------|--------|-----------------|------------------|---------------------------|---|
|            |          |        |                 |                  |                           |   |
| rainfall   | thiessen | 1,11   | Bm <sup>3</sup> | x10 <sup>9</sup> | 12,61301                  | % |
|            | IDW      | 1,12   | Bm <sup>3</sup> | x10 <sup>9</sup> | 12,51092                  | % |
|            |          |        |                 |                  | 13                        | % |

## ASSIGNMENT 4 – PART 1

### Determine a design hydrograph in the absence of streamflow data

For the design of a road bridge, the design flow with a return period of 100 years is needed for the river Stura at the Lanzo cross-section (corresponding catchment outlined below). Suppose streamflow data are not available near the section of interest, so that you will use the convolution method of unit hydrographs.



#### PART 1: Determination of the design storm and the corresponding net rainfall hyetograph

1. Find the catchment's time of concentration using the empirical formula proposed by Giandotti,

$$t_c = \frac{4\sqrt{S} + 1.5L}{0.8\sqrt{H}}$$

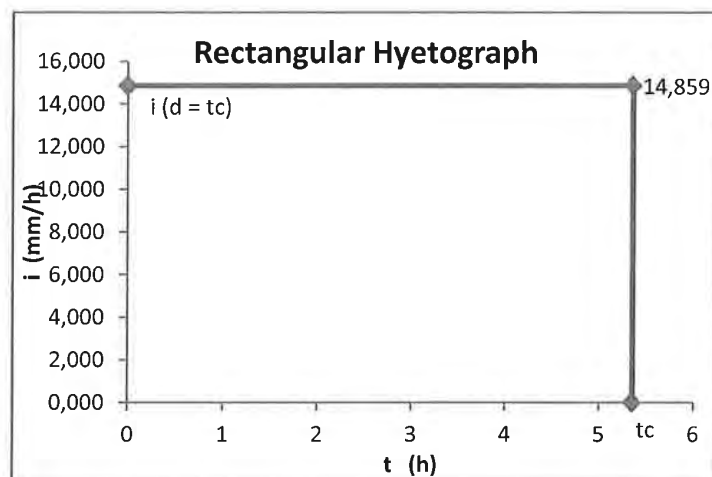
where  $L$  = main channel length (in km);  $S$  = catchment area (in km<sup>2</sup>);  $H$  = catchment mean height minus catchment minimum height (in m);  $t_c$  concentration time (in h). You may use the following morphologic parameters:  $L = 39$  km,  $S = 582$  km<sup>2</sup>,  $z_{med} = 1773$  m,  $z_{min} = 464$  m.

2. Use the monomial depth-duration-frequency curve (IDF) as derived with the Gumbel method:

$$h_{d,T} = a \cdot d^n \cdot K_T$$

with parameters  $a = 24.91$  mm,  $n = 0.2491$ ,  $K_T = 2.103$  for a return period of 100 years. The curve is assumed to describe the mean areal precipitation over the catchment. Determine the design hydrographs with a 30-minute temporal resolution:





- Chicago hyetograph

Assuming a time step  $\Delta t = 0.5\text{h}$  (half an hour) and  $d = 24\text{h}$ , we find the precipitation depth for each time step. Then we calculate the actual depth in each half an hour and divide this value by  $0.5\text{h}$  in order to find the intensity. At the end we order the values in a “central peak way”.

| Time steps $\Delta t$ (h)  | Precipitation depth (mm) | Intensity in each $\Delta t$ (mm/h) |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 0 to $\Delta t$            | $h_1$                    | $h_1 / \Delta t$                    |
| $\Delta t$ to $2\Delta t$  | $h_2 - h_1$              | $(h_2 - h_1) / \Delta t$            |
| $2\Delta t$ to $3\Delta t$ | $h_3 - h_2$              | $(h_3 - h_2) / \Delta t$            |
| .....                      | .....                    | .....                               |

| $\Delta t$ (h) | $h_d, t$ (mm) | $h(i) - h(i-1)$ | $i_d, t$ (mm/h) | Decreasing order | Central peak order |
|----------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------------|
| 0              | 0,00          | 0,00            | 0,00            | 88,16            | 0                  |
| 0,5            | 44,08         | 44,08           | 88,16           | 16,61            | 1,23               |
| 1              | 52,39         | 8,31            | 16,61           | 11,13            | 1,27               |
| 1,5            | 57,95         | 5,57            | 11,13           | 8,61             | 1,31               |
| 2              | 62,26         | 4,31            | 8,61            | 7,12             | 1,36               |
| 2,5            | 65,82         | 3,56            | 7,12            | 6,12             | 1,42               |
| 3              | 68,88         | 3,06            | 6,12            | 5,39             | 1,47               |
| 3,5            | 71,57         | 2,70            | 5,39            | 4,84             | 1,54               |
| 4              | 73,99         | 2,42            | 4,84            | 4,41             | 1,61               |
| 4,5            | 76,20         | 2,20            | 4,41            | 4,05             | 1,69               |
| 5              | 78,22         | 2,03            | 4,05            | 3,76             | 1,78               |
| 5,5            | 80,10         | 1,88            | 3,76            | 3,51             | 1,87               |
| 6              | 81,86         | 1,76            | 3,51            | 3,30             | 1,99               |
| 6,5            | 83,50         | 1,65            | 3,30            | 3,11             | 2,12               |
| 7              | 85,06         | 1,56            | 3,11            | 2,95             | 2,27               |
| 7,5            | 86,53         | 1,47            | 2,95            | 2,80             | 2,46               |
| 8              | 87,94         | 1,40            | 2,80            | 2,68             | 2,68               |
| 8,5            | 89,28         | 1,34            | 2,68            | 2,56             | 2,95               |
| 9              | 90,56         | 1,28            | 2,56            | 2,46             | 3,30               |
| 9,5            | 91,78         | 1,23            | 2,46            | 2,36             | 3,76               |

### 3. Net precipitation with Curve Number Method

First of all we have to estimate the Curve Number CN, that depends on the characteristics of the catchment. Using the following tables, we find the CN (II) that must be corrected into CN (III), because our soil is humid so it's class III.

**Table 1 Hydrologic soil group**

| Group | Minimum Infiltration Rate (in/hr) | Hydrologic Soil Group                                                                                                         |
|-------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| A     | 0.3 – 0.45                        | High infiltration rates. Deep, well drained sands and gravels                                                                 |
| B     | 0.15 – 0.30                       | Moderate infiltration rates. Moderately deep, moderately well drained soils with moderately coarse textures (silt, silt loam) |
| C     | 0.05 – 0.15                       | Slow infiltration rates. Soils with layers, or soils with moderately fine textures (clay loams)                               |
| D     | 0.00 – 0.05                       | Very slow infiltration rates. Clayey soils, high water table, or shallow impervious layer                                     |

**Table 2 Antecedent moisture conditions**

| Antecedent moisture conditions | Dormant season | Growing season |
|--------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| I                              | <12.7 mm       | <35.5 mm       |
| II                             | 12.7-28.0 mm   | 35.5-53.3 mm   |
| III                            | >28.0 mm       | >53.3 mm       |

In the table there are  $CN(II)_{min}$  and  $CN(II)_{max}$  and we take the mean. Then we transform  $CN(II)_{mean,i}$  into  $CN(III)_{mean,i}$  and take the mean weighted by the area.

$$CN(II)_{mean,i} = \frac{CN(II)_{max} + CN(II)_{min}}{2}$$

$$CN(III)_i = \frac{CN(II)_{mean,i}}{0.43 + 0.0057 CN(II)_{mean,i}}$$

$$CN(III) = \sum_{i=1}^3 CN(III)_i \frac{A_i}{A_b}$$



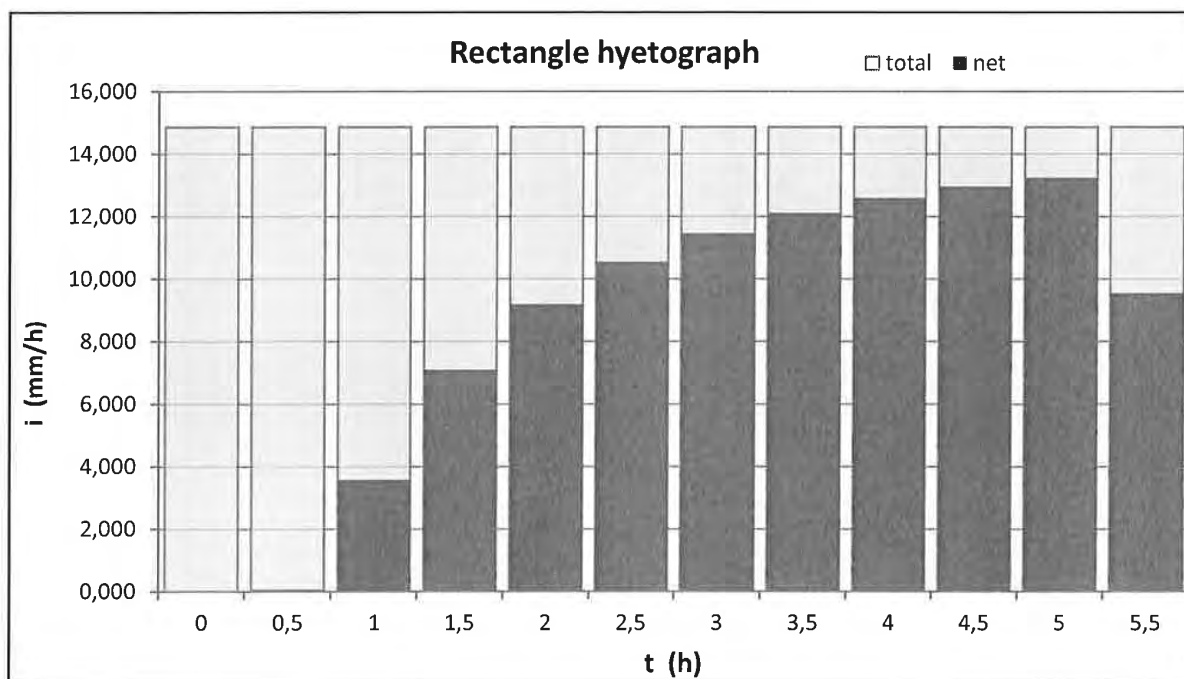
- Rectangular hyetograph

In order to calculate the net intensity we go through the following steps:

- take intensity values found before
- compute cumulative precipitation  $P_{cum,i} = i * \Delta t_i$
- compute PN using the previous formula (previous page) ( $P=P_{cum}$ )
- calculate  $i_{net} = (PN_i - PN_{i-1}) / \Delta t$  for  $\Delta t=0.5h$

| $\Delta t$<br>(h)                            | i<br>(mm/h) | Pcum<br>(mm) | PN<br>(mm) | i net<br>(mm/h) |
|----------------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|------------|-----------------|
| 0,5                                          | 14,859      | 7,429352     | 0,038344   | 0,07668738      |
| 1                                            | 14,859      | 14,8587      | 1,822439   | 3,5681899       |
| 1,5                                          | 14,859      | 22,28806     | 5,371393   | 7,09790957      |
| 2                                            | 14,859      | 29,71741     | 9,969473   | 9,19615877      |
| 2,5                                          | 14,859      | 37,14676     | 15,24187   | 10,5448012      |
| 3                                            | 14,859      | 44,57611     | 20,97333   | 11,4629067      |
| 3,5                                          | 14,859      | 52,00546     | 27,03138   | 12,1161079      |
| 4                                            | 14,859      | 59,43481     | 33,33007   | 12,5973748      |
| 4,5                                          | 14,859      | 66,86417     | 39,81116   | 12,9621817      |
| 5                                            | 14,859      | 74,29352     | 46,43381   | 13,2452996      |
| 5,5                                          | 14,859      | 79,56997     | 51,20678   | 9,54594103      |
| <b>! Last value: Pcum= i*tc = 14.86*5.36</b> |             |              |            |                 |

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